

**Problem 9.1.**

1. Simplify the following congruence classes and decide if they are invertible (multiplicative). If they are, compute their inverse. If they are not, for each  $[a]_m$  find a congruence class  $[b]_m$  such that  $[a]_m[b]_m = [0]_m$  and  $0 < b < m$ .
  - (a)  $[13]_{380}$
  - (b)  $[27]_{9999}$
  - (c)  $[3^{431}]_{29}$
  - (d)  $[28899]_{28925}$
2. Solve for  $x$ :
  - (a)  $22x + [63]_{132} = [19]_{132}$
  - (b)  $(9999)x + [35]_{100} = [56]_{100}$

**Problem 9.2.**

1. For each of the following RSA parameters, determine if they are valid, and if they are, compute a valid decoding exponent  $d$ .
  - (a)  $p = 29, q = 41, e = 9$ .
  - (b)  $p = 67, q = 97, e = 11$ .
  - (c)  $p = 5, q = 73, e = 127$ .
2. For the first valid case that you found, what is the ciphertext corresponding to the plaintext  $t = 48$ ? Check that the decryption gives you back the correct plaintext.
3. For the last valid case that you found, what is the plaintext corresponding to the ciphertext  $c = 84$ ? *Hint: You may use a calculator.*

**Problem 9.3.**

Consider the map from class:

$$\psi : \mathbb{Z}/mn\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$$

that maps each integer  $0 \leq k < mn$  to  $\psi(k) = (k \bmod m, k \bmod n)$ .

1. Consider the pair  $(m, n) = (5, 7)$ . Fill the  $5 \times 7$  table for the map  $\psi$  just like we did in class (for other numbers  $m$  and  $n$ ).
2. Find  $3^{546458} \bmod 5$ .
3. Find  $3^{546458} \bmod 7$ .
4. Using your table from 9.3.1, find  $3^{546458} \bmod 35$ .

### Problem 9.4.

In this problem we develop an explicit formula for computing  $\phi(n)$  for any positive integer  $n$  in terms of the prime factorization of  $n$ .

Recall that by the Chinese Remainder Theorem, if  $m$  and  $n$  are coprime, then the function

$$\psi : \mathbb{Z}/mn\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$$

that maps each integer  $0 \leq k < mn$  to  $\psi(k) = (k \bmod m, k \bmod n)$ , is a bijection.

1. Show that if  $k$  is coprime to  $mn$ , then  $k \bmod m$  is coprime to  $m$  and  $k \bmod n$  is coprime to  $n$ .
2. Show that if  $0 < a < m$  is coprime to  $m$  and  $0 < b < n$  is coprime to  $n$ , then  $\psi^{-1}(a, b)$  is coprime to  $mn$ .
3. Conclude that if  $m$  and  $n$  are coprime, then  $\phi(mn) = \phi(m)\phi(n)$ .
4. Using this result and the fact (seen in class) that  $\phi(p^k) = p^k - p^{k-1}$  for any prime  $p$  and any positive integer  $k$ , prove that for any positive integer  $n$ ,

$$\phi(n) = n \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$$

where the product is over all prime factors of  $n$ .

*Hint: write  $n$  as a product of prime powers, that is,  $n = p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} \cdots p_m^{k_m}$ .*

### Problem 9.5.

In this problem, we study the computational complexity of the decrypting operation in RSA. Let  $m = p \cdot q$  be an RSA modulus where  $p$  and  $q$  are some large prime numbers. Let  $e$  be a valid RSA encoding exponent, and let  $d$  be the corresponding decoding exponent. You know  $d$ , and you receive a ciphertext  $c$  for an unknown plaintext  $t$  (i.e.,  $[c]_m = [t]_m^e$ ). We are interested in finding a fast way to decrypt  $c$ .

In the following, suppose that for any non-negative integers  $x, y$  and  $z$  with  $x < z$  and  $y < z$ , the exponentiation  $x^y \bmod z$  can be computed with  $(\log_2 z)^3$  elementary operations.

1. About how many elementary operations are performed by the decryption method given in class? (*Hint: only exponentiations are costly, the rest can be neglected.*)
2. In an attempt to go faster, one can try to perform the decryption modulo  $p$  and modulo  $q$ , and combine the results with the Chinese Remainders Theorem (instead of decrypting directly modulo  $m$ ). To do so, we replace the decoding exponent  $d$  by the pair of exponents  $d_p = d \bmod (p-1)$  and  $d_q = d \bmod (q-1)$ .
  - (a) Show that  $[c]_p^{d_p} = [t]_p$  and  $[c]_q^{d_q} = [t]_q$ .
  - (b) Describe how to recover  $[t]_m$  from  $[t]_p$  and  $[t]_q$ .
  - (c) About how many elementary operations are performed by this decryption method? (*Hint: again, only exponentiations are costly, the rest can be neglected.*)
3. How do these two methods compare, assuming that  $p$  and  $q$  are of the same size (i.e.,  $\log_2 p \approx \log_2 q$ ).