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Cryp IOP is due **2PM, Thurs., 27Apr2023**, slid *completely* under my office door, 402 LITTLE HALL. This sheet is “Page 1/ $N$ ”, and you’ve labeled the rest as “Page 2/ $N$ ”… “Page  $N$ / $N$ ”.

*Essays must be TYPED, and (preferably) double-spaced. Use the Print/Revise cycle to produce good, well thought out, essays. Do not restate the problem; just solve it.*

**X1:** In ring  $\Gamma := \mathbb{Z}_7[x]$ , consider polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} r_0 &:= x^4 - 2x^3 + x - 2, \\ r_1 &:= x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x. \end{aligned}$$

Using symmetric residues: Compute (and exhibit) an LBolt table which computes polys  $\mathcal{G} := \text{GCD}(r_0, r_1)$  and  $S.T$  s.t  $\mathcal{G} = Sr_0 + Tr_1$ . [The table is tiny; can be computed by hand.]

Extra credit: Write your own program (showing the code, and two sample runs over different primes) which computes and prints LBolt tables over  $\mathbb{Z}_p[x]$ , where  $p$  is prime.

**X2:** For alphabet size  $\Gamma \in [2.. \infty)$ , consider a *finite*, complete (Kraft-sum equals 1) UD-code  $\mathcal{C}$ . Prove that  $R \equiv_{\Gamma-1} 1$ , where  $R$  is the number of codewords.

**X3:** The building block of a cryptosystem uses  $N$ -Serial numbers, for large values of  $N$ . (Defns are below.)

i] Prove: For each positive integer  $N$ , there exists an  $N$ -Serial number.

ii] Produce (with proof, 'natch) a 5-Serial number  $V = \dots$ . (A little extra credit: Can you prove or computer-search that your  $V$  is the *smallest* 5-Serial number?)

**Defns.** An posint  $S$  is *Cubish* if it is divisible by some member of  $\{8, 27, 64, 125, 216, \dots, k^3, \dots\}$ ; otherwise  $S$  is *Flat*. (E.g 0, 162, 375 are Cubish, and 1, 12, 90, 36 are Flat.)

For  $N, S$  posints, our  $S$  is “*N-Serial*” if *each* member of  $\{S + j\}_{j=0}^{N-1}$  is Cubish. [E.g,  $S=80$  is 2-Serial, since  $8 \nmid 80$  and  $27 \nmid 81$ , but  $80$  is not 3-Serial, as no cube divides  $82$ . Another example: 375 is 2-Serial but not 3-Serial.]

**X4:** Prime  $q \equiv_4 1$  is such that  $p := 1 + 2q$  is prime. Prove that  $2$  is a  $p$ -primroot. [E.g,  $(q, p) = (5, 11), (29, 59), (41, 83), (53, 107), (89, 179), (113, 227), \dots$ ]

[Hint: The number of  $p$ -primroots is  $\varphi(\varphi(p))$ . State and prove lemmas about the possible mult-orders of NQRs and QRs mod- $p$ .]

**HONOR CODE:** “I have neither requested nor received help on this exam other than from my professor.”

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Folks, I've had a great time learning *NT & Codes* with you. It's been a pleasure having a lively (and funny) class of Enthusiastic NTers. Stop by in future semesters for Math/chess/frisbee/pickleball...

Cheers, Prof. K