

Answers 8

Problem 1

$N = 221 = 13 \cdot 17$. Let $p = 13$ and $q = 17$. Then

for $m = 1$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 97$ (prime; $A = 77$ not a factor)

for $m = 2$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 193$ (prime; $A = 77$ not a factor)

for $m = 3$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 289 = 17 \cdot 17$ (prime squared; $A = 77$ not a factor)

for $m = 4$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 385 = 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 11$ ($A = 7 \cdot 11 = 77$ is a factor)

Therefore the other factor is $B = 5$. Then corresponding to

$$x = 72, 284, 49, 2, 83, 186, 82, 57, 184, 90, 50$$

we decrypt

$$y = x^B \bmod N = 89, 97, 121, 32, 70, 101, 114, 109, 97, 116, 33$$

From the ASCII table these y s correspond to

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Problem 2

$A = 11941$ and $N = 16850989 = 4099 \cdot 4111 = p \cdot q$.

for $m = 1$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 8421391$. $8421391/A = 705.250\dots$ (A not a factor)

for $m = 2$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 16842781$. $16842781/A = 1410.500\dots$ (A not a factor)

for $m = 3$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 25264171$. $25264171/A = 2115.750\dots$ (A not a factor)

for $m = 4$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 33685561$. $33685561/A = 2821 = B$.

Problem 3

$p = 5$ and $q = 13$. Then

for $m = 1$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 25 = 5 \cdot 5$ (prime squared)

for $m = 2$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 49 = 7 \cdot 7$ (prime squared)

for $m = 3$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 73$ (prime)

for $m = 4$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 97$ (prime)

for $m = 5$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 121$ (prime squared)

for $m = 6$, $n = m \cdot (p - 1)(q - 1)/2 + 1 = 145 = 5 \cdot 29 = A \cdot B$

Problem 4

Did your friend decrypt and decode your message?