

## Problem 4

### Integer Factorization

Let  $M'$  be the product of "enough small" prime numbers. Then by the hint we know that

$$a^{M'} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}, \quad a^{M'} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{q},$$

for any  $a$  coprime to  $p$  and  $q$ , since we can write  $M' = k_p \cdot (p - 1)$  for some  $k_p$ , but not  $M' = k_q \cdot (q - 1)$  for some  $k_q$  since  $p - 1$  is smooth and  $q - 1$  is not. From this it follows that  $p \mid a^{M'} - 1$  and  $q \nmid a^{M'} - 1$ . We see that  $\gcd(a^{M'} - 1, N) = p$ , as the only divisors of  $N$  are  $p$  and  $q$ .

Now to calculate the factorization of  $N$ , we will calculate for  $\gcd(a^{M'!} - 1, N)$  for some random  $a$  coprime to  $N$ . We take here an  $M'!$  to make sure we get all the small primes. We saw before that if  $M'$  is big enough, then  $\gcd(a^{M'!} - 1, N) = p$ .

Note that computing  $a^{M'!}$  should be avoided since it is a huge number. One should reduce modulo  $N$  at every iteration to keep the memory usage low.

Thus we get the following pseudo-code:

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N = Console.Read();  
a := 2;  
M := 1;  
d := 1;  
While (d = 1 or d = N)  
    M = M + 1;  
    a := a^M mod N;  
    d := GCD(N, a - 1);  
  
output(d);  
output(N div d);
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