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Problem 1. (Multiplicative property of $\phi(n)$) Let m, n be tow numbers such that gcd(m, n) = 1. Then

 $\phi(mn) = \phi(m)\phi(n).$

Problem 2. (Carmichael number) Let n be composite, odd, no Carmichael number. Then

$$|\{a \in \mathbb{Z}_n \setminus \{0\} \mid a^{n-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}\}| \ge \frac{n}{2}.$$

Problem 3. (*MRPT error probability*) The Miller-Rabin Primality Test (MPRT) is applied m times, with $m \in \mathbb{N}$, to check whether n is prime. The number n is chosen according to a uniform distribution on the odd numbers in $\{N, \ldots, 2N\}, N \in \mathbb{N}$.

a) Show that

 $P("n \text{ is composite"} | \text{ MRPT returns } m \text{ times "} n \text{ is prime"}) \leq \frac{\ln(N) - 2}{\ln(N) - 2 + 2^{2m+1}}.$

b) How many repetitions m are needed to ensure that the above probability stays below 1/1000 for $N = 2^{512}$?

Hint: Assume $P("n \text{ is prime"}) = 2/\ln(N)$.