

MysteryTwister C3

THE CRYPTO CHALLENGE CONTEST

RSA FACTORING CHALLENGE: RSA-470

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Introduction

The RSA crypto system by Rivest, Shamir and Adleman is the most well-known modern crypto system. In 1991 RSA Inc [1] published 54 challenges with various key lengths for the modulus N (100 to 617 decimal digits).

These RSA cipher challenges [2] were the most well-known crypto challenges. RSA Inc initially advertised prize money for the solution of 14 of these challenges [3]. When RSA Inc stopped the contest in 2007, the money for 8 prizes was already paid. By now (status January 2012), 16 of initially 54 challenges have been solved.

RSA Inc permitted the MTC3 team to host the remaining 38 challenges and to offer it within the MTC3 contest as challenges. Thanks to Ari Juels.

RSA-470

For solving the RSA-470 challenge it is necessary to factor the following decimal number with 470 decimal digits:

N = 1705147378468118520908159923888702802518325585214915
9683588918369809675398036897711442383602526314519192
3666122705958155103119708861167631776699644118140957
4866023887130646983046191913590163823792444407412286
6545522954536883748558744552128950445218096208188788
8763243950493623768065799410533053862175959840477096
0395431244769272527688759459065879293992460926126478
8572032212334726855302571883565912645432522077138010
357669555550710440908570895393205649635767702854133
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For the solution, please hand in one of the two prime factors as a decimal number.

Sources

[1] <http://www.rsa.com>

[2] http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RSA_Factoring_Challenge
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RSA_numbers

[3] <http://www.rsa.com/rsalabs/node.asp?id=2093>

Appendix

A "cipher challenge" is a cryptographic problem that has been published, sometimes with a prize offered for cracking it.

When a cipher challenge has not yet been cracked despite many attempts, then confidence in the propagated system rises. If someone succeeds in cracking the problem, then the cryptosystem with the specified parameters is no longer regarded as secure.