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Midterm Exam

Computational Number Theory

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1. In RSA, we select  $n = 4717 = 89 \times 53$  and  $e = 7$ . Find the decryption key  $d$ .
2. Illustrate Fermat factorization using the number  $n = 7169$ .
3. Illustrate the rho method using  $n = 8051$ .
4. Evaluate the infinite periodic continued fraction  $[1, \overline{2, 3}]$ . Write the final answer in the form  $\frac{P + \sqrt{n}}{Q}$  with all integers.
5. Represent the irrational number  $\alpha = \frac{36 + \sqrt{15}}{7}$  with an infinite periodic continued fraction, using the following formula.

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_k &= \frac{P_k + \sqrt{n}}{Q_k} \\ a_k &= \lfloor \alpha_k \rfloor \\ P_{k+1} &= a_k Q_k - P_k \\ Q_{k+1} &= \frac{n - P_{k+1}^2}{Q_k}\end{aligned}$$

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