

# Introduction to Programming in Python

Assignment 4 (RSA Cryptosystem) Discussion

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 1 (Reverse)

Implement the function `_reverse()` in `reverse.py` that reverses the 1D list `a` in place, ie, without creating a new list

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa_cryptosystem
```

```
$ python3 reverse.py
```

```
b o l t o n
```

```
<ctrl-d>
```

```
n o t l o b
```

```
$ python3 reverse.py
```

```
m a d a m
```

```
<ctrl-d>
```

```
m a d a m
```

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 1 (Reverse)

Set  $n$  to the number of elements in  $a$

For each  $i$  in  $[0, n/2]$

- Exchange  $a[i]$  with  $a[n - i - 1]$  (use a temporary variable)

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 2 (Euclidean Distance)

Implement the function `_distance()` in `distance.py` that returns the Euclidean distance between the vectors `x` and `y` represented as 1D lists of floats

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa_cryptosystem  
  
$ python3 distance.py 2  
1 0 <enter>  
0 1 <enter>  
1.4142135623730951  
$ python3 distance.py 5  
-9 1 10 -1 1 <enter>  
-5 9 6 7 4 <enter>  
13.0
```

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 2 (Euclidean Distance)

Set  $n$  to the number of elements in  $x$

Set  $d$  to 0.0

For each  $i$  in  $[0, n)$

- Increment  $d$  by  $(x[i] - y[i])^2$

Return  $\sqrt{d}$

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 3 (Transpose)

Implement the function `_transpose()` in `transpose.py` that creates and returns a new matrix that is the transpose of the matrix represented by the argument `a`

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa_cryptosystem
```

```
$ python3 transpose.py 2 2
```

```
1 2 <enter>
```

```
3 4 <enter>
```

```
1.0 3.0
```

```
2.0 4.0
```

```
$ python3 transpose.py 2 3
```

```
1 2 3 <enter>
```

```
4 5 6 <enter>
```

```
1.0 4.0
```

```
2.0 5.0
```

```
3.0 6.0
```

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 3 (Transpose)

Set  $m$  to the number of rows in  $a$  and  $n$  to the number of columns in  $a$

Set  $c$  to a 2D list of dimensions  $n \times m$

For each  $i$  in  $[0, n)$

- For each  $j$  in  $[0, m)$

- Set  $c[i][j]$  to  $a[j][i]$

Return  $c$

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 4 (Palindrome)

Implement the function `_isPalindrome()` in `palindrome.py` that returns `True` if the argument `s` is a palindrome (ie, reads the same forwards and backwards), and `False` otherwise

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa.cryptosystem
```

```
$ python3 palindrome.py bolton
```

```
False
```

```
$ python3 palindrome.py amanaplanacanalpanama
```

```
True
```



## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 4 (Palindrome)

Set  $n$  to the number of characters in  $s$

For each  $i$  in  $[0, n/2]$

- Return `False` if  $s[i]$  is different from  $s[n - i - 1]$

Return `True`

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 5 (Sine Function)

Implement the function `_sin()` in `sin.py` that calculates the sine of the argument  $x$  (in radians), using the formula

$$\sin(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa.cryptosystem
```

```
$ python3 sin.py 60  
0.8660254037844385
```

## Part I (Warmup Problems) · Problem 5 (Sine Function)

Set *total* to 0.0, *term* to 1.0, *sign* to 1, and *i* to 1

As long as *total* is different from *total + term*

- Set *term* to  $term \times x/i$  to term
- If *i* is odd, increment total by  $sign * term$  and toggle *sign* (ie, set it -1 if it's positive and +1 if it's negative)
- Increment *i* by 1

Return *total*

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Introduction

The RSA cryptosystem involves three integers  $n$ ,  $e$ , and  $d$  that satisfy certain mathematical properties

The *public key*  $(n, e)$  is made public on the Internet, while the *private key*  $(n, d)$  is only known to Bob

If Alice wants to send Bob a message  $x \in [0, n)$ , she encrypts it using the function  $E(x) = x^e \bmod n$ , where  $n = pq$  for two distinct large prime numbers  $p$  and  $q$  chosen at random, and  $e$  is a random prime number less than  $m = (p - 1)(q - 1)$  such that  $e$  does not divide  $m$

Example: suppose  $p = 47$  and  $q = 79$ ; then  $n = 3713$  and  $m = 3588$ ; further suppose  $e = 7$ ; if Alice wants to send the message  $x = 2020$  to Bob, she encrypts it as  $E(2020) = 2020^7 \bmod 3713 = 516$

When Bob receives the encrypted message  $y$ , he decrypts it using the function  $D(y) = y^d \bmod n$ , where  $d \in [1, m)$  is an integer that satisfies the equation  $ed \bmod m = 1$

Continuing the example above, if  $d = 2563$ , then when Bob receives the encrypted message  $y = 516$  from Alice, he decrypts it to recover the original message as  $D(516) = 516^{2563} \bmod 3713 = 2020$

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 6 (RSA Library)

Implement a library called `rsa.py` that provides functions needed for developing the RSA cryptosystem and supports the following API

rsa	
<code>keygen(lo, hi)</code>	generates and returns the public/private keys as a tuple $(n, e, d)$ , picking prime numbers $p$ and $q$ needed to generate the keys from the interval $[lo, hi)$
<code>encrypt(x, n, e)</code>	encrypts $x$ (int) using the public key $(n, e)$ and returns the encrypted value
<code>decrypt(y, n, d)</code>	decrypts $y$ (int) using the private key $(n, d)$ and returns the decrypted value
<code>bitLength(n)</code>	returns the least number of bits needed to represent $n$
<code>dec2bin(n, width)</code>	returns the binary representation of $n$ expressed in decimal, having the given width and padded with leading zeros
<code>bin2dec(n)</code>	returns the decimal representation of $n$ expressed in binary

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa_cryptosystem
```

```
$ python3 rsa.py S
encrypt(S) = 1743
decrypt(1743) = S
bitLength(83) = 7
dec2bin(83) = 1010011
bin2dec(1010011) = 83
```

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 6 (RSA Library)

`keygen(lo, hi)`

- Get a list of primes from the interval  $[lo, hi)$
- Sample two distinct random primes  $p$  and  $q$  from that list
- Set  $n$  and  $m$  to  $pq$  and  $(p - 1)(q - 1)$ , respectively
- Get a list primes from the interval  $[2, m)$
- Choose a random prime  $e$  from the list such that  $e$  does not divide  $m$  (you will need a loop for this)
- Find a  $d \in [1, m)$  such that  $ed \bmod m = 1$  (you will need a loop for this)
- Return the tuple<sup>1</sup>  $(n, e, d)$

`encrypt(x, n, e)`

- Implement the function  $E(x) = x^e \bmod n$

`decrypt(y, n, d)`

- Implement the function  $D(y) = y^d \bmod n$

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<sup>1</sup>A tuple is like a list, but is immutable. You create a tuple by enclosing comma-separated values within matched parentheses, eg.  $a = (1, 2, 3)$ . If  $a$  is a tuple,  $a[i]$  is the  $i$ th element in it

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 6 (RSA Library)

`_primes(lo, hi)`

- Create an empty list
- For each  $p \in [lo, hi)$ , if  $p$  is a prime, add  $p$  to the list
- Return the list

`_sample(a, k)`

- Create a list  $b$  that is a copy (not an alias) of  $a$
- Shuffle the first  $k$  elements of  $b$
- Return a list containing the first  $k$  elements of  $b$

`_choice(a)`

- Get a random number  $r \in [0, l)$ , where  $l$  is the number of elements in  $a$
- Return the element in  $a$  at the index  $r$

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 7 (Keygen Program)

Write a program called `keygen.py` that accepts *lo* (int) and *hi* (int) as command-line arguments, generates public/private keys ( $n, e, d$ ), and writes the keys to standard output, separated by a space

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa.cryptosystem
$ python3 keygen.py 50 100
3599 1759 2839
```



## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 7 (Keygen Program)

Accept *lo* (int) and *hi* (int) as command-line arguments

Get public/private keys as a tuple

Write the three values in the tuple, separated by a space

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 8 (Encryption Program)

Write a program called `encrypt.py` that accepts the public-key  $n$  (int) and  $e$  (int) as command-line arguments and a message to encrypt from standard input, encrypts each character in the message, and writes its fixed-width binary representation to standard output

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa.cryptosystem
$ python3 encrypt.py 3599 1759
CS110
<ctrl-d>
000110000000010011010100001010100011001010100011001110000110010111100100
```

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 8 (Encryption Program)

Accept public-key  $n$  (int) and  $e$  (int) as command-line arguments

Get the number of bits per character (call it *width*) needed for encryption, ie, number of bits needed to encode  $n$

Accept *message* to encrypt from standard input

For each character  $c$  in *message*

- Use the built-in function `ord()` to turn  $c$  into an integer  $x$
- Encrypt  $x$
- Write the encrypted value as a *width*-long binary string

Write a newline character

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 9 (Decryption Program)

Write a program called `decrypt.py` that accepts the private-key  $n$  (int) and  $d$  (int) as command-line arguments and a message to decrypt (produced by `encrypt.py`) from standard input, decrypts each character (represented as a fixed-width binary sequence) in the message, and writes the decrypted character to standard output

```
>_ ~/workspace/rsa.cryptosystem
$ python3 decrypt.py 3599 2839
0001100000000100110101000010101000110010101000110011110000110010111100100
<ctrl-d>
CS110
$ python3 encrypt.py 3599 1759 | python3 decrypt.py 3599 2839
Python is the mother of all languages.
<ctrl-d>
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```

## Part II (RSA Cryptosystem) · Problem 9 (Decryption Program)

Accept private-key  $n$  (int) and  $d$  (int) as command-line arguments

Get the number of bits per character (call it  $width$ )

Accept  $message$  (binary string generated by `encrypt.py`) from standard input

Assuming  $l$  is the length of  $message$ , for  $i \in [0, l - 1)$  and in increments of  $width$

- Set  $s$  to substring of message from  $i$  to  $i + width$  (exclusive)
- Set  $y$  to decimal representation of the binary string  $s$
- Decrypt  $y$
- Write the character corresponding to the decrypted value, obtained using the built-in function `chr()`