SOME INTEGER FACTORIZATION ALGORITHMS USING ELLIPTIC CURVES

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Abstract

Lenstra's integer factorization algorithm is asymptotically one of the fastest known algorithms, and is ideally suited for parallel computation. We suggest a way in which the algorithm can be speeded up by the addition of a second phase. Under some plausible assumptions, the speedup is of order $\ln(p)$, where p is the factor which is found. In practice the speedup is significant. We mention some refinements which give greater speedup, an alternative way of implementing a second phase, and the connection with Pollard's "$p-1$" factorization algorithm.

Comments

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Errata

1. Equations (7.3) and (7.7) have obvious (easily corrected) errors.
2. In equation (1.1), the "$(1+o(1))$" factor should be *inside* the exponential.

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