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# More on Automorphic Numbers

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 ... to give a general method of determi  
 ... (or automorphic digits) for any base

## To Find the Automorphic Digits (i. e., the units' digits) to any Base B

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 ... which are prime to each oth  
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 ... there is some positive integer  $m$  for which  $nx = my + 1$ . Then " $nx$ "  
 ... automorphic digit and " $B + nx$ " is the other member of the pair. By  
 ... all relatively prime values of  $m$  and  $n$ , the total number of pairs of automo

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ations. In this case  
 $k = 16$  and the other  
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 ... digits.  
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"A" and th

To Develop the Coefficient of "B" in an Automorphic Number (i.e. the second digit from the right)

Square the automorphic digit. The right-hand digit will, of necessity, be the same as the automorphic digit. Let the left-hand digit be  $s_1$ . Double the automorphic digit and let  $u$  be the units' digit (Modulus  $B$ ) of this product. If  $a_1$  is the second digit from the right of the automorphic number it is necessary and sufficient to

$$a_1 = (By - s_1) / (u - 1)$$

$a_1$  and  $y$  being positive integers and  $a_1 < B$ . (Note: If  $u = 0$ , then  $y = 0$  and

$$a_1 = s_1).$$

The second digit of the other automorphic number of the pair  $a, a'$  can be ob-

will produce all the  
and  $a'$  select the

$$a' = B - 1 - a.$$

For example, if  $B = 24$ , the automorphic digits ( $A$  and  $A'$ ) are "9" and "16". Consider "9" (in base 24):

$$\begin{aligned} 9^2 &= 3\text{-}09: & s_1 &= 3; & u &= 2 \cdot 9 \pmod{24} = 18; \\ a_1 &= (24y - 3) / (18 - 1) & (a_1 < 24); & & y &= 15; \\ a_1 &= 21; & a_1' &= (24 - 1) - 21 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the two digits of the automorphic number are 9 and 16.

For example:  $(21-09)^2 = 00-21-09 \pmod{24^3}$ , so  $s_2 = 0$ ,  $a_2 = 0$ ;  $(2-16)^2 = 07-02-16 \pmod{24^3}$ , so  $s_2' = 7$ ,  $a_2' = 23$ . Therefore the three-digit automorphic

*Note:* Either one can be obtained from the other ( $0 = 24 - 1 - 23$ ), but it is advisable to check the work as development progresses. Even with expansion factors, automorphic numbers can be developed only one digit at a time.

#### Some Observations

Automorphic digits must be greater than  $\sqrt{B}$  to eliminate trivial values. For

every base  $B$ ,  $s_1$  increases as  $A$  increases. Also  $s_1$  is always less than  $A$ .

When  $B$  is even but not divisible by 4, there is one automorphic number whose

TABLE 1 (Continued)

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**TABLE 2—Automorphic Numbers**

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