

Answers to Exercise 1

1. What makes a one-way function computationally feasible?
 - ☐ Key
 - ☐ Cipher
 - ☒ **Trapdoor**
 - ☐ Inversion
2. In asymmetric encryption, the public key is used for
 - ☐ Decrypting a message
 - ☐ Encryption and decryption
 - ☒ **Encrypting a message**
 - ☐ None of the mentioned
3. Which of the following are asymmetric encryption schemes?
 - ☐ DES
 - ☒ **RSA**
 - ☐ AES
 - ☒ **ECC**
 - ☐ ROT13
4. Which of the following are properties of public-key encryption schemes?
 - ☐ They are usually faster than symmetric encryption schemes
 - ☐ Participants need to agree on a pre-shared secret
 - ☒ **A key is a pair of a public and a secret key**
 - ☒ **They are used as part of SSL/TLS (and, thus, https)**

Answers to Exercise 2

One-way property states that it is computationally intractable to compute the pre-image of a digest $h^{-1}(y) = x$.

Collision (second-preimage) resistance implies that it is computationally infeasible to find a second input that has the same output hash.

Answers to Exercise 3

1. With $x|y$, we denote that x divides y with remainder 0. To show $\gcd(a,b) = \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$, we need to show that $\gcd(a,b) | \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$ and $\gcd(b, a \bmod b) | \gcd(a,b)$:

- $\gcd(a,b) | \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$:

Let $d = \gcd(a,b)$, thus $d | a$ and $d | b$. Moreover, we know $a \bmod b = a - \left\lfloor \frac{a}{b} \right\rfloor \cdot b$. Thus, $a \bmod b$ is a linear combination of a and b . Hence, $d | (a \bmod b)$. From this, we can conclude that $d | \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$, which is equivalent to $\gcd(a,b) | \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$.

- $\gcd(b, a \bmod b) | \gcd(a,b)$ can be shown similarly

Note: In an exam, an informal argument (including examples) would be sufficient.

2. A definition in pseudocode is:

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euclid(a,b) =
    if b = 0
        return a
    else
        return euclid(b, a mod b)
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ext_euclid(a,b) =
    if b = 0
        return (a, 1, 0)
    else
        (d', x', y') := ext_euclid(b, a mod b)
        return (d', y', x' - (a div b) * y')
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4. We have $\text{ext_euclid}(33, 40) = (1, 17, -14)$, hence

$$d = 1 \text{ and } 1 = 33 \cdot 17 + 40 \cdot (-14) = 561 - 560$$

We can compute $\text{ext_euclid}(33, 40) = (1, 17, -14)$ by executing the extended Euclidean algorithms using "paper & pencil":

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ext_euclid(33,40)=(d', x', y') := ext_euclid(40, 33 mod 40)
ext_euclid(40, 33)=(d', x', y') := ext_euclid(33, 40 mod 33)
ext_euclid(33,7)=(d', x', y') := ext_euclid(7, 33 mod 7)
ext_euclid(7,5)=(d', x', y') := ext_euclid(5, 7 mod 5)
ext_euclid(5,2)=(d', x', y') := ext_euclid(2, 5 mod 2)
ext_euclid(2,1)=(d', x', y') := ext_euclid(1, 2 mod 1)
ext_euclid(1,0) = (1,1,0) // base case
return (1,0,1)
return (1,0,1)
return (1, 1, -2)
return (1, -2, 3)
return (1, 3, -14)
return (1, -14, 17)
return (1, 17, -14)
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Answer to Exercise 4

We first need to compute $n = pq$ and $\Phi = (p - 1)(q - 1)$:

$$n = p \cdot q = 11 \cdot 5 = 55$$

$$\Phi = (p - 1)(q - 1) = (11 - 1) \cdot (5 - 1) = 10 \cdot 4 = 40$$

Next, we need to select an e , $1 < e < \Phi$ and e relatively prime to Φ . We choose $e = 33$ ($1 < 33 < 40$ and 33 is relatively prime to 40, i.e., $\gcd(40, 33) = 1$).

Now, we need to compute the unique integer d , $1 < d < \Phi$ where $ed \bmod \Phi$. From the last exercise, we know already $d = 17$.

Hence, Bob's public key is (55, 33) and his private key is 17.

Answers to Exercise 5

1. Firstly, we encode the message "geheim":

7, 5, 8, 5, 9, 13

Secondly, for each encoded letter c , we compute $c = m^{33} \bmod 55$ (i.e., encryption using the public key of Alice):

2, 15, 28, 15, 14, 8

2. First, we decrypt the message by computing for each letter c of the ciphertext via $m = c^5 \bmod 39$ (i.e., decryption using the private key of Bob):

19, 5, 3, 18, 5, 20

Second, we decode the message:

secret

3. It is worth to note that the cipher text can be identical to the plaintext without any precautions. Usually, we want to avoid this behaviour.