



Understanding Cryptography

Homework No.4

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1. Let m_1 and m_2 be two positive integers that are relatively prime. Given any two integers a and b , there exists an integer x such that

$$\begin{aligned}x &\equiv a \pmod{m_1} \\x &\equiv b \pmod{m_2}\end{aligned}$$

Prove any two solutions of these equations are congruent to each other modulo $m_1 m_2$.



2.1. Compute the two public keys and the common key for the DHKE scheme with the parameters $p = 467$, $\alpha = 2$, $a = 228$, $b = 57$.

2.2. We now design another DHKE scheme with the same prime $p = 467$ as in problem 2.1. this time, we use the element $\alpha = 4$. The element 4 has order 233 and generates a subgroup with 233 elements. Compute k_{AB} for :

$$\begin{aligned}a &= 400, b = 134 \\a &= 167, b = 134\end{aligned}$$

2.3. Why are the session keys identical?



3. Explain Attack Man-in-the-middle to Diffie –Hellman Key Exchange.



4.1. What is a primitive root of a number?

4.2. Find all primitive roots modulo 25.

4.3. Find a primitive root modulo 11^2 , modulo $2 \cdot 11^2$



5. If Alice uses ElGamal with $p = 467$, $g(\text{primitive root}) = 2$, $a(\text{private key}) = 153$, find Alice's public key, encode the message $m = 331$, with $k = 197$ and then decode the associated ciphertext.



Optional Question

6. Proof the problems of decrypting arbitrary ElGamal ciphertext mod p and breaking arbitrary Diffie-Hellman mod p are equivalent.

7. In the DHKE protocol, the private keys are chosen from the set $\{2, \dots, p-1\}$. Why are the values 1 and $p-1$ not considered?

NOTE: Describe the weakness of those two values.

8. Let p be a prime. then prove for every positive integer a :

$$a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$$

$$(x + y)^p \equiv x^p + y^p \pmod{p}$$



9.

- **CrypTool:**

- 1 1963497163 is the product of two prime numbers, use tools within the CrypTool to find these two prime numbers.
- 2 Choose three large prime numbers, three Carmichael numbers, and three regular composite numbers, and use CrypTool primality test tools to do the following exercises;
 - i Test the primality of your chosen numbers using Fermat test.
 - ii Test their primality using Miller-Rabin test.
- 3 Generate an asymmetric key pair using RSA algorithm, your own last name, first name and student number (as your PIN). Show the generated key pair. (Hint: go to Digital Signatures/PKI :: PKI :: Generate/Import Keys)
- 4 Use the key pair generated in the previous question and a text of your choice to do the following exercises;
 - i Encrypt the text using RSA encryption.
 - ii Decrypt the ciphertext in the previous part using the same algorithm.
- 5 Use Diffie-Hellman visualization tool to see its key exchange procedure. (Hint: go to Individ. Procedures :: Protocols :: Diffie-Hellman Demonstration)