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Assignment 9

Problem 1: If a number n is composite but in the Miller-Rabin algorithm Test (n, a) outputs "n is probably prime" (see my notes, or the textbook page 178), then a is said to be a false Miller-Rabin witness for n . Show that 2 is a false Miller-Rabin witness strong for 2047.

Problem 2: Let $p = 101$ (note that 101 is a prime number). It is known that 2 is a primitive root of 101. For any number n in the range $1, 2, \dots, 100$, we denote by $L_2(n)$ the value $k \in (1, 2, \dots, 100)$ such that $2^k = n \pmod{101}$ (i.e., L_n is the discrete log of $n \pmod{101}$).

- (a.) What is $L_2(1)$? Justify your answer. (Note: The answer $k = 0$ is not valid, because k has to be in the set $(1, 2, \dots, 100)$).
- (b.) Using the fact the $L_2(3) = 69$, determine $L_2(9)$

Problem 3: In the El Gamal cryptosystem, Alice and Bob use $p = 17$ and $a = 3$. Bob chooses his secret to be $a = 6$, so $\beta = 15$. Alice sends the ciphertext $(r, t) = (7, 6)$. Determine the plaintext m .

Problem 4: Exercise 7, page 215 in the textbook.