

COMP 4958: Lab 1

Put your two functions in a module named `Lab1`. Your file should be named `lab1.ex`. Maximum score: 10

Implement the following 2 functions which can be used in the RSA cryptosystem. (The RSA cryptosystem uses different keys for encryption and decryption of messages.)

1. Given two positive integers a and n . The multiplicative inverse of a modulo n , if it exists, is a positive integer t , less than n , satisfying $a \times t \equiv 1 \pmod n$.

The following is the pseudocode for an algorithm to find the multiplicative inverse of a modulo n :

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function mod_inverse(a, n)
  t := 0;      newt := 1
  r := n;      newr := a

  while newr != 0 do
    quotient := r div newr
    (t, newt) := (newt, t - quotient * newt)
    (r, newr) := (newr, r - quotient * newr)

  if r > 1 then
    return :not_invertible
  if t < 0 then
    t := t + n

  return t
```

Implement the above algorithm in Elixir in a function named `mod_inverse(a, n)`. It returns the multiplicative inverse if it exists, or the atom `:not_invertible` if it does not.

2. Assume a , m and n are positive integers. Implement a function `mod_pow(a, m, n)` that returns $a^m \pmod n$, i.e., the remainder of a^m when divided by n . Your function should be fast even for large values of m . Use the fact that $(x \times y) \pmod n = ((x \pmod n) \times (y \pmod n)) \pmod n$ to keep the numbers in your program “small”.

Some information about the RSA cryptosystem:

In RSA, the modulus n is the product of 2 large primes p and q . A number e relatively prime to $(p-1) \times (q-1)$ is chosen. (According to Wikipedia, a common value for e is 65537.)

- The pair $\{e, n\}$ is the public key
- The corresponding private key is the pair $\{d, n\}$, where d is the multiplicative inverse of e modulo $(p-1) \times (q-1)$. (d can be calculated using the first function above.)
- The sender of a message M , represented by a large number, uses the public key pair to encrypt it to $C = M^e \pmod n$. (This is where the second function above comes in. Note that M should be less than n .)
- The recipient of the encrypted message C can recover M using the corresponding private key pair via $M = C^d \pmod n$. (Again using the second function above.)

You may be interested in experimenting with this.