

## Bài tập Hệ mật RSA và ElGamal

### Exercises

5.1 In Algorithm 5.1, prove that

$$\gcd(r_0, r_1) = \gcd(r_1, r_2) = \cdots = \gcd(r_{m-1}, r_m) = r_m$$

and, hence,  $r_m = \gcd(a, b)$ .

5.2 Suppose that  $a > b$  in Algorithm 5.1.

(a) Prove that  $r_i \geq 2r_{i+2}$  for all  $i$  such that  $0 \leq i \leq m - 2$ .

(b) Prove that  $m$  is  $O(\log a)$ .

(c) Prove that  $m$  is  $O(\log b)$ .

5.3 Use the EXTENDED EUCLIDEAN ALGORITHM to compute the following multiplicative inverses:

(a)  $17^{-1} \pmod{101}$

(b)  $357^{-1} \pmod{1234}$

(c)  $3125^{-1} \pmod{9987}$ .

5.4 Compute  $\gcd(57, 93)$ , and find integers  $s$  and  $t$  such that  $57s + 93t = \gcd(57, 93)$ .

5.5 Suppose  $\chi : \mathbb{Z}_{105} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_7$  is defined as

$$\chi(x) = (x \pmod{3}, x \pmod{5}, x \pmod{7}).$$

Give an explicit formula for the function  $\chi^{-1}$ , and use it to compute  $\chi^{-1}(2, 2, 3)$ .

5.6 Solve the following system of congruences:

$$x \equiv 12 \pmod{25}$$

$$x \equiv 9 \pmod{26}$$

$$x \equiv 23 \pmod{27}.$$

5.7 Solve the following system of congruences:

$$13x \equiv 4 \pmod{99}$$

$$15x \equiv 56 \pmod{101}.$$

**HINT** First use the EXTENDED EUCLIDEAN ALGORITHM, and then apply the Chinese remainder theorem.

5.8 Use Theorem 5.8 to find the smallest primitive element modulo 97.

5.9 Suppose that  $p = 2q + 1$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are odd primes. Suppose further that  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ ,  $\alpha \not\equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ . Prove that  $\alpha$  is a primitive element modulo  $p$  if and only if  $\alpha^q \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ .

5.10 Suppose that  $n = pq$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct odd primes and  $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$ . The RSA encryption operation is  $e(x) = x^b \pmod n$  and the decryption

operation is  $d(y) = y^a \pmod n$ . We proved that  $d(e(x)) = x$  if  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ . Prove that the same statement is true for any  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ .

**HINT** Use the fact that  $x_1 \equiv x_2 \pmod{pq}$  if and only if  $x_1 \equiv x_2 \pmod p$  and  $x_1 \equiv x_2 \pmod q$ . This follows from the Chinese remainder theorem.

5.11 For  $n = pq$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct odd primes, define

$$\lambda(n) = \frac{(p-1)(q-1)}{\gcd(p-1, q-1)}.$$

Suppose that we modify the RSA Cryptosystem by requiring that  $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{\lambda(n)}$

- (a) Prove that encryption and decryption are still inverse operations in this modified cryptosystem.
- (b) If  $p = 37$ ,  $q = 79$ , and  $b = 7$ , compute  $a$  in this modified cryptosystem, as well as in the original RSA Cryptosystem.

5.12 Two samples of RSA ciphertext are presented in Tables 5.1 and 5.2. Your task is to decrypt them. The public parameters of the system are  $n = 18923$  and  $b = 1261$  (for Table 5.1) and  $n = 31313$  and  $b = 4913$  (for Table 5.2). This can be accomplished as follows. First, factor  $n$  (which is easy because it is so small). Then compute the exponent  $a$  from  $\phi(n)$ , and, finally, decrypt the ciphertext. Use the SQUARE-AND-MULTIPLY ALGORITHM to exponentiate modulo  $n$ .

In order to translate the plaintext back into ordinary English text, you need to know how alphabetic characters are “encoded” as elements in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ . Each element of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  represents three alphabetic characters as in the following examples:

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{DOG} & \rightarrow & 3 \times 26^2 + 14 \times 26 + 6 & = & 2398 \\ \text{CAT} & \rightarrow & 2 \times 26^2 + 0 \times 26 + 19 & = & 1371 \\ \text{ZZZ} & \rightarrow & 25 \times 26^2 + 25 \times 26 + 25 & = & 17575. \end{array}$$

You will have to invert this process as the final step in your program.

The first plaintext was taken from “The Diary of Samuel Marchbanks,” by Robertson Davies, 1947, and the second was taken from “Lake Wobegon Days,” by Garrison Keillor, 1985.

- 5.13 A common way to speed up RSA decryption incorporates the Chinese remainder theorem, as follows. Suppose that  $d_K(y) = y^d \bmod n$  and  $n = pq$ . Define  $d_p = d \bmod (p - 1)$  and  $d_q = d \bmod (q - 1)$ ; and let  $M_p = q^{-1} \bmod p$  and  $M_q = p^{-1} \bmod q$ . Then consider the following algorithm:

**Algorithm 5.15:** CRT-OPTIMIZED RSA DECRYPTION( $n, d_p, d_q, M_p, M_q, y$ )

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 $x_p \leftarrow y^{d_p} \bmod p$   
 $x_q \leftarrow y^{d_q} \bmod q$   
 $x \leftarrow M_p q x_p + M_q p x_q \bmod n$   
return ( $x$ )
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Algorithm 5.15 replaces an exponentiation modulo  $n$  by modular exponentiations modulo  $p$  and  $q$ . If  $p$  and  $q$  are  $\ell$ -bit integers and exponentiation modulo an  $\ell$ -bit integer takes time  $c\ell^3$ , then the time to perform the required exponentiation(s) is reduced from  $c(2\ell)^3$  to  $2c\ell^3$ , a savings of 75%. The final step, involving the Chinese remainder theorem, requires time  $O(\ell^2)$  if  $d_p, d_q, M_p$  and  $M_q$  have been pre-computed.

**TABLE 5.1**  
**RSA ciphertext**

12423	11524	7243	7459	14303	6127	10964	16399
9792	13629	14407	18817	18830	13556	3159	16647
5300	13951	81	8986	8007	13167	10022	17213
2264	961	17459	4101	2999	14569	17183	15827
12693	9553	18194	3830	2664	13998	12501	18873
12161	13071	16900	7233	8270	17086	9792	14266
13236	5300	13951	8850	12129	6091	18110	3332
15061	12347	7817	7946	11675	13924	13892	18031
2620	6276	8500	201	8850	11178	16477	10161
3533	13842	7537	12259	18110	44	2364	15570
3460	9886	8687	4481	11231	7547	11383	17910
12867	13203	5102	4742	5053	15407	2976	9330
12192	56	2471	15334	841	13995	17592	13297
2430	9741	11675	424	6686	738	13874	8168
7913	6246	14301	1144	9056	15967	7328	13203
796	195	9872	16979	15404	14130	9105	2001
9792	14251	1498	11296	1105	4502	16979	1105
56	4118	11302	5988	3363	15827	6928	4191
4277	10617	874	13211	11821	3090	18110	44
2364	15570	3460	9886	9988	3798	1158	9872
16979	15404	6127	9872	3652	14838	7437	2540
1367	2512	14407	5053	1521	297	10935	17137
2186	9433	13293	7555	13618	13000	6490	5310
18676	4782	11374	446	4165	11634	3846	14611
2364	6789	11634	4493	4063	4576	17955	7965
11748	14616	11453	17666	925	56	4118	18031
9522	14838	7437	3880	11476	8305	5102	2999
18628	14326	9175	9061	650	18110	8720	15404
2951	722	15334	841	15610	2443	11056	2186

- Prove that the value  $x$  returned by Algorithm 5.15 is, in fact,  $y^d \bmod n$ .
- Given that  $p = 1511$ ,  $q = 2003$  and  $d = 1234577$ , compute  $d_p$ ,  $d_q$ ,  $M_p$  and  $M_q$ .
- Given the above values of  $p$ ,  $q$  and  $d$ , decrypt the ciphertext  $y = 152702$  using Algorithm 5.15.

- 5.14 Prove that the *RSA Cryptosystem* is insecure against a chosen ciphertext attack. In particular, given a ciphertext  $y$ , describe how to choose a ciphertext  $\hat{y} \neq y$ , such that knowledge of the plaintext  $\hat{x} = d_K(\hat{y})$  allows  $x = d_K(y)$  to be computed.

**HINT** Use the multiplicative property of the *RSA Cryptosystem*, i.e., that

$$e_K(x_1)e_K(x_2) \bmod n = e_K(x_1x_2 \bmod n).$$

- 5.15 This exercise exhibits what is called a *protocol failure*. It provides an example where ciphertext can be decrypted by an opponent, without determining the key, if a cryptosystem is used in a careless way. The moral is that it is not sufficient to use a “secure” cryptosystem in order to guarantee “secure” communication.

**TABLE 5.2**  
**RSA ciphertext**

6340	8309	14010	8936	27358	25023	16481	25809
23614	7135	24996	30590	27570	26486	30388	9395
27584	14999	4517	12146	29421	26439	1606	17881
25774	7647	23901	7372	25774	18436	12056	13547
7908	8635	2149	1908	22076	7372	8686	1304
4082	11803	5314	107	7359	22470	7372	22827
15698	30317	4685	14696	30388	8671	29956	15705
1417	26905	25809	28347	26277	7897	20240	21519
12437	1108	27106	18743	24144	10685	25234	30155
23005	8267	9917	7994	9694	2149	10042	27705
15930	29748	8635	23645	11738	24591	20240	27212
27486	9741	2149	29329	2149	5501	14015	30155
18154	22319	27705	20321	23254	13624	3249	5443
2149	16975	16087	14600	27705	19386	7325	26277
19554	23614	7553	4734	8091	23973	14015	107
3183	17347	25234	4595	21498	6360	19837	8463
6000	31280	29413	2066	369	23204	8425	7792
25973	4477	30989					

Suppose Bob has an *RSA Cryptosystem* with a large modulus  $n$  for which the factorization cannot be found in a reasonable amount of time. Suppose Alice sends a message to Bob by representing each alphabetic character as an integer between 0 and 25 (i.e.,  $A \leftrightarrow 0$ ,  $B \leftrightarrow 1$ , etc.), and then encrypting each residue modulo 26 as a separate plaintext character.

- Describe how Oscar can easily decrypt a message which is encrypted in this way.
- Illustrate this attack by decrypting the following ciphertext (which was encrypted using an *RSA Cryptosystem* with  $n = 18721$  and  $b = 25$ ) without factoring the modulus:

365, 0, 4845, 14930, 2608, 2608, 0.

- 5.16 This exercise illustrates another example of a protocol failure (due to Simmons) involving the *RSA Cryptosystem*; it is called the “common modulus protocol failure.” Suppose Bob has an *RSA Cryptosystem* with modulus  $n$  and encryption exponent  $b_1$ , and Charlie has an *RSA Cryptosystem* with (the same) modulus  $n$  and encryption exponent  $b_2$ . Suppose also that  $\gcd(b_1, b_2) = 1$ . Now, consider the situation that arises if Alice encrypts the same plaintext  $x$  to send to both Bob and Charlie. Thus, she computes  $y_1 = x^{b_1} \bmod n$  and  $y_2 = x^{b_2} \bmod n$ , and then she sends  $y_1$  to Bob and  $y_2$  to Charlie. Suppose Oscar intercepts  $y_1$  and  $y_2$ , and performs the computations indicated in Algorithm 5.16.

**Algorithm 5.16:** RSA COMMON MODULUS DECRYPTION( $n, b_1, b_2, y_1, y_2$ )

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 $c_1 \leftarrow b_1^{-1} \bmod b_2$ 
 $c_2 \leftarrow (c_1 b_1 - 1) / b_2$ 
 $x_1 \leftarrow y_1^{c_1} (y_2^{c_2})^{-1} \bmod n$ 
return ( $x_1$ )

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- (a) Prove that the value  $x_1$  computed in Algorithm 5.16 is in fact Alice’s plaintext,  $x$ . Thus, Oscar can decrypt the message Alice sent, even though the cryptosystem may be “secure.”
- (b) Illustrate the attack by computing  $x$  by this method if  $n = 18721$ ,  $b_1 = 43$ ,  $b_2 = 7717$ ,  $y_1 = 12677$  and  $y_2 = 14702$ .
- 5.17 We give yet another protocol failure involving the *RSA Cryptosystem*. Suppose that three users in a network, say Bob, Bart and Bert, all have public encryption exponents  $b = 3$ . Let their moduli be denoted by  $n_1, n_2, n_3$ , and assume that  $n_1, n_2$  and  $n_3$ , are pairwise relatively prime. Now suppose Alice encrypts the same plaintext  $x$  to send to Bob, Bart and Bert. That is, Alice computes  $y_i = x^3 \bmod n_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ . Describe how Oscar can compute  $x$ , given  $y_1, y_2$  and  $y_3$ , without factoring any of the moduli.
- 5.18 A plaintext  $x$  is said to be *fixed* if  $e_K(x) = x$ . Show that, for the *RSA Cryptosystem*, the number of fixed plaintexts  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  is equal to

$$\gcd(b-1, p-1) \times \gcd(b-1, q-1).$$

**HINT** Consider the following system of two congruences:

$$e_K(x) \equiv x \pmod{p},$$

$$e_K(x) \equiv x \pmod{q}.$$

- 5.19 Suppose  $\mathbf{A}$  is a deterministic algorithm which is given as input an RSA modulus  $n$ , an encryption exponent  $b$ , and a ciphertext  $y$ .  $\mathbf{A}$  will either decrypt  $y$  or return no answer. Supposing that there are  $\epsilon(n-1)$  nonzero ciphertexts which  $\mathbf{A}$  is able to decrypt, show how to use  $\mathbf{A}$  as an oracle in a Las Vegas decryption algorithm having success probability  $\epsilon$ .
- 5.20 Write a program to evaluate Jacobi symbols using the four properties presented in Section 5.4. The program should not do any factoring, other than dividing out powers of two. Test your program by computing the following Jacobi symbols:

$$\left(\frac{610}{987}\right), \left(\frac{20964}{1987}\right), \left(\frac{1234567}{11111111}\right).$$

- 5.21 For  $n = 837, 851$  and  $1189$ , find the number of bases  $b$  such that  $n$  is an Euler pseudo-prime to the base  $b$ .
- 5.22 The purpose of this question is to prove that the error probability of the Solovay-Strassen primality test is at most  $1/2$ . Let  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$  denote the group of units modulo  $n$ . Define

$$G(n) = \left\{ a : a \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*, \left(\frac{a}{n}\right) \equiv a^{(n-1)/2} \pmod{n} \right\}.$$

- (a) Prove that  $G(n)$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$ . Hence, by Lagrange's theorem, if  $G(n) \neq \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ , then

$$|G(n)| \leq \frac{|\mathbb{Z}_n^*|}{2} \leq \frac{n-1}{2}.$$

- (b) Suppose  $n = p^k q$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are odd,  $p$  is prime,  $k \geq 2$ , and  $\gcd(p, q) = 1$ . Let  $a = 1 + p^{k-1}q$ . Prove that

$$\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) \not\equiv a^{(n-1)/2} \pmod{n}.$$

**HINT** Use the binomial theorem to compute  $a^{(n-1)/2}$ .

- (c) Suppose  $n = p_1 \dots p_s$ , where the  $p_i$ 's are distinct odd primes. Suppose  $a \equiv u \pmod{p_1}$  and  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{p_2 p_3 \dots p_s}$ , where  $u$  is a quadratic non-residue modulo  $p_1$  (note that such an  $a$  exists by the Chinese remainder theorem). Prove that

$$\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) \equiv -1 \pmod{n},$$

but

$$a^{(n-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p_2 p_3 \dots p_s},$$

so

$$a^{(n-1)/2} \not\equiv -1 \pmod{n}.$$

- (d) If  $n$  is odd and composite, prove that  $|G(n)| \leq (n-1)/2$ .
- (e) Summarize the above: prove that the error probability of the Solovay-Strassen primality test is at most  $1/2$ .

5.23 Suppose we have a Las Vegas algorithm with failure probability  $\epsilon$ .

- (a) Prove that the probability of first achieving success on the  $n$ th trial is  $p_n = \epsilon^{n-1}(1 - \epsilon)$ .
- (b) The average (expected) number of trials to achieve success is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n \times p_n).$$

Show that this average is equal to  $1/(1 - \epsilon)$ .

- (c) Let  $\delta$  be a positive real number less than 1. Show that the number of iterations required in order to reduce the probability of failure to at most  $\delta$  is

$$\left\lceil \frac{\log_2 \delta}{\log_2 \epsilon} \right\rceil.$$

5.24 Suppose throughout this question that  $p$  is an odd prime and  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ .

- (a) Suppose that  $i \geq 2$  and  $b^2 \equiv a \pmod{p^{i-1}}$ . Prove that there is a unique  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  such that  $x^2 \equiv a \pmod{p^i}$  and  $x \equiv b \pmod{p^{i-1}}$ . Describe how this  $x$  can be computed efficiently.
- (b) Illustrate your method in the following situation: starting with the congruence  $6^2 \equiv 17 \pmod{19}$ , find square roots of 17 modulo  $19^2$  and modulo  $19^3$ .
- (c) For all  $i \geq 1$ , prove that the number of solutions to the congruence  $x^2 \equiv a \pmod{p^i}$  is either 0 or 2.

5.25 Using various choices for the bound,  $B$ , attempt to factor 262063 and 9420457 using the  $p - 1$  method. How big does  $B$  have to be in each case to be successful?

5.26 Factor 262063, 9420457 and 181937053 using the POLLARD RHO ALGORITHM, if the function  $f$  is defined to be  $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ . How many iterations are needed to factor each of these three integers?

5.27 Suppose we want to factor the integer  $n = 256961$  using the RANDOM SQUARES ALGORITHM. Using the factor base

$$\{-1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31\},$$

test the integers  $z^2 \pmod{n}$  for  $z = 500, 501, \dots$ , until a congruence of the form  $x^2 \equiv y^2 \pmod{n}$  is obtained and the factorization of  $n$  is found.

5.28 In the RANDOM SQUARES ALGORITHM, we need to test a positive integer  $w \leq n - 1$  to see if it factors completely over the factor base  $\mathcal{B} = \{p_1, \dots, p_B\}$  consisting of the  $B$  smallest prime numbers. Recall that  $p_B = m \approx 2^s$  and  $n \approx 2^r$ .

- (a) Prove that this can be done using at most  $B + r$  divisions of an integer having at most  $r$  bits by an integer having at most  $s$  bits.
- (b) Assuming that  $r < m$ , prove that the complexity of this test is  $O(rsm)$ .



- 5.29 In this exercise, we show that parameter generation for the *RSA Cryptosystem* should take care to ensure that  $q - p$  is not too small, where  $n = pq$  and  $q > p$ .
- Suppose that  $q - p = 2d > 0$ , and  $n = pq$ . Prove that  $n + d^2$  is a perfect square.
  - Given an integer  $n$  which is the product of two odd primes, and given a small positive integer  $d$  such that  $n + d^2$  is a perfect square, show how this information can be used to factor  $n$ .
  - Use this technique to factor  $n = 2189284635403183$ .
- 5.30 Suppose Bob has carelessly revealed his decryption exponent to be  $a = 14039$  in an *RSA Cryptosystem* with public key  $n = 36581$  and  $b = 4679$ . Implement the randomized algorithm to factor  $n$  given this information. Test your algorithm with the “random” choices  $w = 9983$  and  $w = 13461$ . Show all computations.
- 5.31 If  $q_1, \dots, q_m$  is the sequence of quotients obtained in the applying the EUCLIDEAN ALGORITHM with input  $r_0, r_1$ , prove that the continued fraction  $[q_1, \dots, q_m] = r_0/r_1$ .
- 5.32 Suppose that  $n = 317940011$  and  $b = 77537081$  in the *RSA Cryptosystem*. Using WIENER’S ALGORITHM, attempt to factor  $n$ .
- 5.33 Consider the modification of the *Rabin Cryptosystem* in which  $e_K(x) = x(x + B) \bmod n$ , where  $B \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  is part of the public key. Supposing that  $p = 199$ ,  $q = 211$ ,  $n = pq$  and  $B = 1357$ , perform the following computations.
- Compute the encryption  $y = e_K(32767)$ .
  - Determine the four possible decryptions of this given ciphertext  $y$ .
- 5.34 Prove Equations (5.3) and (5.4) relating the functions *half* and *parity*.
- 5.35 Prove that Cryptosystem 5.3 is not semantically secure against a chosen ciphertext attack. Given  $x_1, x_2$ , a ciphertext  $(y_1, y_2)$  that is an encryption of  $x_i$  ( $i = 1$  or  $2$ ), and given a decryption oracle DECRYPT for Cryptosystem 5.3, describe an algorithm to determine whether  $i = 1$  or  $i = 2$ . You are allowed to call the algorithm DECRYPT with any input except for the given ciphertext  $(y_1, y_2)$ , and it will output the corresponding plaintext.

## Exercises

- 6.1 Implement SHANKS' ALGORITHM for finding discrete logarithms in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$ , where  $p$  is prime and  $\alpha$  is a primitive element modulo  $p$ . Use your program to find  $\log_{106} 12375$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{24691}^*$  and  $\log_6 248388$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{458009}^*$ .
- 6.2 Describe how to modify SHANKS' ALGORITHM to compute the logarithm of  $\beta$  to the base  $\alpha$  in a group  $G$  if it is specified ahead of time that this logarithm lies in the interval  $[s, t]$ , where  $s$  and  $t$  are integers such that  $0 \leq s < t < n$ , where  $n$  is the order of  $\alpha$ . Prove that your algorithm is correct, and show that its complexity is  $O(\sqrt{t-s})$ .
- 6.3 The integer  $p = 458009$  is prime and  $\alpha = 2$  has order 57251 in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$ . Use the POLLARD RHO ALGORITHM to compute the discrete logarithm in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  of  $\beta = 56851$  to the base  $\alpha$ . Take the initial value  $x_0 = 1$ , and define the partition  $(S_1, S_2, S_3)$  as in Example 6.3. Find the smallest integer  $i$  such that  $x_i = x_{2i}$ , and then compute the desired discrete logarithm.
- 6.4 Suppose that  $p$  is an odd prime and  $k$  is a positive integer. The multiplicative group  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^k}^*$  has order  $p^{k-1}(p-1)$ , and is known to be cyclic. A generator for this group is called a *primitive element modulo  $p^k$* .
- Suppose that  $\alpha$  is a primitive element modulo  $p$ . Prove that at least one of  $\alpha$  or  $\alpha + p$  is a primitive element modulo  $p^2$ .
  - Describe how to efficiently verify that 3 is a primitive root modulo 29 and modulo  $29^2$ . Note: It can be shown that if  $\alpha$  is a primitive root modulo  $p$  and modulo  $p^2$ , then it is a primitive root modulo  $p^k$  for all positive integers  $k$  (you do not have to prove this fact). Therefore, it follows that 3 is a primitive root modulo  $29^k$  for all positive integers  $k$ .
  - Find an integer  $\alpha$  that is a primitive root modulo 29 but not a primitive root modulo  $29^2$ .
  - Use the POHLIG-HELLMAN ALGORITHM to compute the discrete logarithm of 3344 to the base 3 in the multiplicative group  $\mathbb{Z}_{24389}^*$ .
- 6.5 Implement the POHLIG-HELLMAN ALGORITHM for finding discrete logarithms in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , where  $p$  is prime and  $\alpha$  is a primitive element. Use your program to find  $\log_5 8563$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{28703}$  and  $\log_{10} 12611$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{31153}$ .

6.6 Let  $p = 227$ . The element  $\alpha = 2$  is primitive in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$ .

- (a) Compute  $\alpha^{32}$ ,  $\alpha^{40}$ ,  $\alpha^{59}$  and  $\alpha^{156}$  modulo  $p$ , and factor them over the factor base  $\{2, 3, 5, 7, 11\}$ .
- (b) Using the fact that  $\log 2 = 1$ , compute  $\log 3$ ,  $\log 5$ ,  $\log 7$  and  $\log 11$  from the factorizations obtained above (all logarithms are discrete logarithms in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  to the base  $\alpha$ ).
- (c) Now suppose we wish to compute  $\log 173$ . Multiply 173 by the “random” value  $2^{177} \bmod p$ . Factor the result over the factor base, and proceed to compute  $\log 173$  using the previously computed logarithms of the numbers in the factor base.

6.7 Suppose that  $n = pq$  is an RSA modulus (i.e.,  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct odd primes), and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ . For a positive integer  $m$  and for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_m^*$ , define  $\text{ord}_m(\alpha)$  to be the order of  $\alpha$  in the group  $\mathbb{Z}_m^*$ .

- (a) Prove that

$$\text{ord}_n(\alpha) = \text{lcm}(\text{ord}_p(\alpha), \text{ord}_q(\alpha)).$$

- (b) Suppose that  $\gcd(p-1, q-1) = d$ . Show that there exists an element  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  such that

$$\text{ord}_n(\alpha) = \frac{\phi(n)}{d}.$$

- (c) Suppose that  $\gcd(p-1, q-1) = 2$ , and we have an oracle that solves the **Discrete Logarithm** problem in the subgroup  $\langle \alpha \rangle$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  has order  $\phi(n)/2$ . That is, given any  $\beta \in \langle \alpha \rangle$ , the oracle will find the discrete logarithm  $a = \log_\alpha \beta$ , where  $0 \leq a \leq \phi(n)/2 - 1$ . (The value  $\phi(n)/2$  is secret however.) Suppose we compute the value  $\beta = \alpha^n \bmod n$  and then we use the oracle to find  $a = \log_\alpha \beta$ . Assuming that  $p > 3$  and  $q > 3$ , prove that  $n - a = \phi(n)$ .
- (d) Describe how  $n$  can easily be factored, given the discrete logarithm  $a = \log_\alpha \beta$  from (c).

6.8 In this question, we consider a generic algorithm for the **Discrete Logarithm** problem in  $(\mathbb{Z}_{19}, +)$ .

(a) Suppose that the set  $C$  is defined as follows:

$$C = \{(1 - i^2 \bmod 19, i \bmod 19) : i = 0, 1, 2, 4, 7, 12\}.$$

Compute  $\text{Good}(C)$ .

(b) Suppose that the output of the group oracle, given the ordered pairs in  $C$ , is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(0, 1) &\mapsto 10111 \\(1, 0) &\mapsto 01100 \\(16, 2) &\mapsto 00110 \\(4, 4) &\mapsto 01010 \\(9, 7) &\mapsto 00100 \\(9, 12) &\mapsto 11001,\end{aligned}$$

where group elements are encoded as (random) binary 5-tuples. What can you say about the value of “ $a$ ”?

6.9 Decrypt the ElGamal ciphertext presented in Table 6.3. The parameters of the system are  $p = 31847$ ,  $\alpha = 5$ ,  $a = 7899$  and  $\beta = 18074$ . Each element of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  represents three alphabetic characters as in Exercise 5.12.

The plaintext was taken from “The English Patient,” by Michael Ondaatje, Alfred A. Knopf, Inc., New York, 1992.

6.10 Determine which of the following polynomials are irreducible over  $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]$ :  $x^5 + x^4 + 1$ ,  $x^5 + x^3 + 1$ ,  $x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + 1$ .

6.11 The field  $\mathbb{F}_{2^5}$  can be constructed as  $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]/(x^5 + x^2 + 1)$ . Perform the following computations in this field.

(a) Compute  $(x^4 + x^2) \times (x^3 + x + 1)$ .

(b) Using the extended Euclidean algorithm, compute  $(x^3 + x^2)^{-1}$ .

(c) Using the square-and-multiply algorithm, compute  $x^{25}$ .

6.12 We give an example of the *ElGamal Cryptosystem* implemented in  $\mathbb{F}_{3^3}$ . The polynomial  $x^3 + 2x^2 + 1$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Z}_3[x]$  and hence  $\mathbb{Z}_3[x]/(x^3 + 2x^2 + 1)$  is the field  $\mathbb{F}_{3^3}$ . We can associate the 26 letters of the alphabet with the 26 nonzero field elements, and thus encrypt ordinary text in a convenient way. We will use a lexicographic ordering of the (nonzero) polynomials to set up the correspondence.

**TABLE 6.3**  
**ElGamal Ciphertext**

(3781, 14409)	(31552, 3930)	(27214, 15442)	(5809, 30274)
(5400, 31486)	(19936, 721)	(27765, 29284)	(29820, 7710)
(31590, 26470)	(3781, 14409)	(15898, 30844)	(19048, 12914)
(16160, 3129)	(301, 17252)	(24689, 7776)	(28856, 15720)
(30555, 24611)	(20501, 2922)	(13659, 5015)	(5740, 31233)
(1616, 14170)	(4294, 2307)	(2320, 29174)	(3036, 20132)
(14130, 22010)	(25910, 19663)	(19557, 10145)	(18899, 27609)
(26004, 25056)	(5400, 31486)	(9526, 3019)	(12962, 15189)
(29538, 5408)	(3149, 7400)	(9396, 3058)	(27149, 20535)
(1777, 8737)	(26117, 14251)	(7129, 18195)	(25302, 10248)
(23258, 3468)	(26052, 20545)	(21958, 5713)	(346, 31194)
(8836, 25898)	(8794, 17358)	(1777, 8737)	(25038, 12483)
(10422, 5552)	(1777, 8737)	(3780, 16360)	(11685, 133)
(25115, 10840)	(14130, 22010)	(16081, 16414)	(28580, 20845)
(23418, 22058)	(24139, 9580)	(173, 17075)	(2016, 18131)
(19886, 22344)	(21600, 25505)	(27119, 19921)	(23312, 16906)
(21563, 7891)	(28250, 21321)	(28327, 19237)	(15313, 28649)
(24271, 8480)	(26592, 25457)	(9660, 7939)	(10267, 20623)
(30499, 14423)	(5839, 24179)	(12846, 6598)	(9284, 27858)
(24875, 17641)	(1777, 8737)	(18825, 19671)	(31306, 11929)
(3576, 4630)	(26664, 27572)	(27011, 29164)	(22763, 8992)
(3149, 7400)	(8951, 29435)	(2059, 3977)	(16258, 30341)
(21541, 19004)	(5865, 29526)	(10536, 6941)	(1777, 8737)
(17561, 11884)	(2209, 6107)	(10422, 5552)	(19371, 21005)
(26521, 5803)	(14884, 14280)	(4328, 8635)	(28250, 21321)
(28327, 19237)	(15313, 28649)		

This correspondence is as follows:

$A \leftrightarrow 1$	$B \leftrightarrow 2$	$C \leftrightarrow x$
$D \leftrightarrow x + 1$	$E \leftrightarrow x + 2$	$F \leftrightarrow 2x$
$G \leftrightarrow 2x + 1$	$H \leftrightarrow 2x + 2$	$I \leftrightarrow x^2$
$J \leftrightarrow x^2 + 1$	$K \leftrightarrow x^2 + 2$	$L \leftrightarrow x^2 + x$
$M \leftrightarrow x^2 + x + 1$	$N \leftrightarrow x^2 + x + 2$	$O \leftrightarrow x^2 + 2x$
$P \leftrightarrow x^2 + 2x + 1$	$Q \leftrightarrow x^2 + 2x + 2$	$R \leftrightarrow 2x^2$
$S \leftrightarrow 2x^2 + 1$	$T \leftrightarrow 2x^2 + 2$	$U \leftrightarrow 2x^2 + x$
$V \leftrightarrow 2x^2 + x + 1$	$W \leftrightarrow 2x^2 + x + 2$	$X \leftrightarrow 2x^2 + 2x$
$Y \leftrightarrow 2x^2 + 2x + 1$	$Z \leftrightarrow 2x^2 + 2x + 2$	

Suppose Bob uses  $\alpha = x$  and  $a = 11$  in an *ElGamal Cryptosystem*; then  $\beta = x + 2$ . Show how Bob will decrypt the following string of ciphertext:

(K, H) (P, X) (N, K) (H, R) (T, F) (V, Y) (E, H) (F, A) (T, W) (J, D) (U, J)

- 6.13 Let  $E$  be the elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + x + 28$  defined over  $\mathbb{Z}_{71}$ .
- Determine the number of points on  $E$ .
  - Show that  $E$  is not a cyclic group.
  - What is the maximum order of an element in  $E$ ? Find an element having this order.
- 6.14 Suppose that  $p > 3$  is an odd prime, and  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . Further, suppose that the equation  $x^3 + ax + b \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  has three distinct roots in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . Prove that the corresponding elliptic curve group  $(E, +)$  is not cyclic.
- HINT** Show that the points of order two generate a subgroup of  $(E, +)$  that is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .
- 6.15 Consider an elliptic curve  $E$  described by the formula  $y^2 \equiv x^3 + ax + b \pmod{p}$ , where  $4a^3 + 27b^2 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  and  $p > 3$  is prime.
- It is clear that a point  $P = (x_1, y_1) \in E$  has order 3 if and only if  $2P = -P$ . Use this fact to prove that, if  $P = (x_1, y_1) \in E$  has order 3, then
 
$$3x_1^4 + 6ax_1^2 + 12x_1b - a^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}. \quad (6.7)$$
  - Conclude from equation (6.7) that there are at most 8 points of order 3 on the elliptic curve  $E$ .
  - Using equation (6.7), determine all points of order 3 on the elliptic curve  $y^2 \equiv x^3 + 34x \pmod{73}$ .
- 6.16 Suppose that  $E$  is an elliptic curve defined over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , where  $p > 3$  is prime. Suppose that  $\#E$  is prime,  $P \in E$ , and  $P \neq \mathcal{O}$ .
- Prove that the discrete logarithm  $\log_P(-P) = \#E - 1$ .
  - Describe how to compute  $\#E$  in time  $O(p^{1/4})$  by using Hasse's bound on  $\#E$ , together with a modification of SHANKS' ALGORITHM. Give a pseudocode description of the algorithm.

6.17 Let  $E$  be the elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + 2x + 7$  defined over  $\mathbb{Z}_{31}$ . It can be shown that  $\#E = 39$  and  $P = (2, 9)$  is an element of order 39 in  $E$ . The *Simplified ECIES* defined on  $E$  has  $\mathbb{Z}_{31}^*$  as its plaintext space. Suppose the private key is  $m = 8$ .

- (a) Compute  $Q = mP$ .
- (b) Decrypt the following string of ciphertext:

$$((18, 1), 21), ((3, 1), 18), ((17, 0), 19), ((28, 0), 8).$$

- (c) Assuming that each plaintext represents one alphabetic character, convert the plaintext into an English word. (Here we will use the correspondence  $A \leftrightarrow 1, \dots, Z \leftrightarrow 26$ , because 0 is not allowed in a (plaintext) ordered pair.)

6.18 (a) Determine the NAF representation of the integer 87.  
 (b) Using the NAF representation of 87, use Algorithm 6.5 to compute  $87P$ , where  $P = (2, 6)$  is a point on the elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + x + 26$  defined over  $\mathbb{Z}_{127}$ . Show the partial results during each iteration of the algorithm.

6.19 Let  $\mathcal{L}_i$  denote the set of positive integers that have exactly  $i$  coefficients in their NAF representation, such that the leading coefficient is 1. Denote  $k_i = |\mathcal{L}_i|$ .

- (a) By means of a suitable decomposition of  $\mathcal{L}_i$ , prove that the  $k_i$ 's satisfy the following recurrence relation:

$$k_1 = 1$$

$$k_2 = 1$$

$$k_{i+1} = 2(k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_{i-1}) + 1 \quad (\text{for } i \geq 2).$$

- (b) Derive a second degree recurrence relation for the  $k_i$ 's, and obtain an explicit solution of the recurrence relation.

6.20 Find  $\log_5 896$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{1103}$  using Algorithm 6.6, given that  $L_2(\beta) = 1$  for  $\beta = 25, 219$  and  $841$ , and  $L_2(\beta) = 0$  for  $\beta = 163, 532, 625$  and  $656$ .

6.21 Throughout this question, suppose that  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  is prime and suppose that  $a$  is a quadratic residue modulo  $p$ .

- (a) Prove that  $a^{(p-1)/4} \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ .
- (b) If  $a^{(p-1)/4} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , prove that  $a^{(p+3)/8} \pmod{p}$  is a square root of  $a$  modulo  $p$ .
- (c) If  $a^{(p-1)/4} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ , prove that  $2^{-1}(4a)^{(p+3)/8} \pmod{p}$  is a square root of  $a$  modulo  $p$ .

**HINT** Use the fact that  $\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) = -1$  when  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  is prime.

- (d) Given a primitive element  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ , and given any  $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ , show that  $L_2(\beta)$  can be computed efficiently.

**HINT** Use the fact that it is possible to compute square roots modulo  $p$ , as well as the fact that  $L_1(\beta) = L_1(p - \beta)$  for all  $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ , when  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  is prime.

6.22 The *ElGamal Cryptosystem* can be implemented in any subgroup  $\langle \alpha \rangle$  of a finite multiplicative group  $(G, \cdot)$ , as follows: Let  $\beta \in \langle \alpha \rangle$  and define  $(\alpha, \beta)$  to be the public key. The plaintext space is  $\mathcal{P} = \langle \alpha \rangle$ , and the encryption operation is  $e_K(x) = (y_1, y_2) = (\alpha^k, x \cdot \beta^k)$ , where  $k$  is random.

Here we show that distinguishing ElGamal encryptions of two plaintexts can be Turing reduced to **Decision Diffie-Hellman**, and vice versa.

- (a) Assume that ORACLEDDH is an oracle that solves **Decision Diffie-Hellman** in  $(G, \cdot)$ . Prove that ORACLEDDH can be used as a subroutine in an algorithm that distinguishes ElGamal encryptions of two given plaintexts, say  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ . (That is, given  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathcal{P}$ , and given a ciphertext  $(y_1, y_2)$  which is an encryption of  $x_i$  for some  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , the distinguishing algorithm will determine if  $i = 1$  or  $i = 2$ .)
- (b) Assume that ORACLE-DISTINGUISH is an oracle that distinguishes ElGamal encryptions of any two given plaintexts  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , for any *ElGamal Cryptosystem* implemented in the group  $(G, \cdot)$  as described above. Suppose further that ORACLE-DISTINGUISH will determine if a ciphertext  $(y_1, y_2)$  is not a valid encryption of either of  $x_1$  or  $x_2$ . Prove that ORACLE-DISTINGUISH can be used as a subroutine in an algorithm that solves **Decision Diffie-Hellman** in  $(G, \cdot)$ .