

## ECE4802/CS4801 Assignment #3

\* Due: 11:59 pm on April 17, 2023

**1. Computing RSA by hand.** Alice wants to send Bob a message. Bob picks  $p = 17$ ;  $q = 29$ ;  $b = 17$  as his initial parameters. **Show all intermediate results for parts a, b, and c.** You may use a calculator.

- a. **Key generation:** First, Bob must create his public and private keys. Compute  $N$  and  $\phi(N)$ . Compute  $a = b^{-1} \bmod \phi(N)$  using the extended Euclidean algorithm. What are Bob's public key  $(N; b)$  and private key  $(p; q; a)$ ?
- b. **Encryption:** Alice encrypts the message  $X = 31$  using Bob's public key. Calculate the encrypted message by applying the square and multiply algorithm (first, transform the exponent to binary representation).
- c. **Decryption:** Bob decrypts Alice's encrypted message. Decrypt the ciphertext  $Y$  computed above by applying the square and multiply algorithm.
- d. **Attack:** Eve records the transmission of an RSA-encrypted message  $Y$  from Alice to Bob. Eve also knows the public key to be  $k_{\text{pub}} = (493; 17)$ . Your goal is to recover the message  $X$  that has been encrypted with RSA in part b.
  - i. Give the equation for the decryption of  $Y$ . Which variables are not known to Eve? Can Eve recover  $X$ ? If so, how? If not, what would allow her to recover  $X$ ?
  - ii. To recover the private key  $a$ , Eve has to compute  $a = b^{-1} \bmod \phi(N)$ . Can Eve recover  $\phi(N)$ ?
  - iii. Compute the message  $X$ .  
(**Hint:** Start by factoring  $N = p \cdot q$ . Then use  $\phi(N)$  to compute  $a$ )
  - iv. Can Eve do the same message recovery attack (as in (iii)) for *large*  $N$ , e.g.,  $|N| = 1024$  bit?
  - v. Eve recovers a message-ciphertext pair  $(X; Y)$ . Can she recover the private key  $a$ ? If so, describe how. If not, why not?

**2. Modular Arithmetic** is the basis of many cryptosystems. Consequently, we will address this topic with several problems in this and upcoming chapters.

- a- Compute the results:
- i.  $47 \cdot 3 \bmod 23$
  - ii.  $17 \cdot 13 \bmod 23$
  - iii.  $18 \cdot 15 \bmod 12$
  - iv.  $15 \cdot 19 + 11 \cdot 15 \bmod 23$

b- Find Greatest Common Divisor of given numbers by Euclidean Algorithm:

- i.  $\gcd(9, 17)$
- ii.  $\gcd(1752481, 9852136479)$
- iii.  $\gcd(3546213, 7854316985)$

c- Decide if the given inverse elements exist in the given modular space and find the inverse if it exists (Use Extended Euclidean Algorithm):

- v.  $9^{-1} \bmod 17$
- vi.  $5^{-1} \bmod 17$
- vii.  $5^{-1} \bmod 37$
- viii.  $10^{-1} \bmod 15$
- ix.  $1752481^{-1} \bmod 9852136479$

d- List all elements of modulo 126 with no multiplicative inverse.