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Minor II

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Subject: Number Theory & Cryptography (MA 2209)

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Time Duration: 1.5 Hours

Start Time: 02.00 PM
Max. Marks: 30

Instructions:

1. There are 5 questions, all of which are compulsory.
2. Justify your answer wherever required.

1. Alice and Bob agree to use the prime $p = 31$ and the base (primitive root) $g = 3$ for communications using the ElGamal public key cryptosystem. Bob chooses $a = 11$ as his private key.


- (a) What is the value of his public key A ? [2]
- (b) Bob encrypts the message $m = 29$ using the ephemeral key $k = 7$. What is the ciphertext (c_1, c_2) that Bob sends to Alice? [2]
- (c) How does Alice get back m from the ciphertext (c_1, c_2) ? [2]
- (d) What is the ciphertext if Bob uses the ephemeral key $k = 3$? Verify that Alice gets back the same message m if she uses this ciphertext. [3]

2. (a) Evaluate the Jacobi symbol $\left(\frac{610}{987}\right)$. [2]

(b) Is 9 a Miller-Rabbin Witness for 41? [4]

3. Compute all the square roots of 1 modulo 187. [5]

4. (a) Let p be an odd prime and g be a primitive root modulo p . Prove that g^m is a quadratic residue modulo p if and only if m is even. [3.5]

(b) Deduce that $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right)\left(\frac{b}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{ab}{p}\right)$. 

[1.5]

5. Assuming the case $k = 2$ prove the following:

Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k be integers and $\gcd(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ denote the largest positive integer dividing all of a_1, \dots, a_k . Then there exists integers u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k such that

$$a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_k u_k = \gcd(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k).$$

[5]
