

Cryptography IIITS Practice Problems

INSTRUCTIONS : Question No. 1 consists of problems from Module 1 and Question No. 2 consists of problems from Module 2. Within Question 1 and 2 there are parts namely a,b,c... and so on. Each alphabet consists of problems from the same topic. Eg. Q1 b(i,ii,iii) consists of problems from Euclidian Algorithm.

*****MODULE 1*****

1. Answer the following questions :

- a(i). Suppose Alice send a message m to Bob as $c = E_k(m)$, where k is shared key and E is secure encryption algorithm. In this communication from Alice to Bob, which of the following properties can be achieved: confidentiality, integrity, authentication, and non-repudiation. Justify your answer in 2-3 lines.
- a(ii). Suppose Alice send a message m to Bob as $c = E_k(m), H(m)$, where k is shared key, E is secure encryption algorithm, and H is cryptographic hash function. In this communication from Alice to Bob, which of the following properties can be achieved: confidentiality, integrity, authentication, and non-repudiation. Justify your answer in 2-3 lines.
- b(i). Given $a = 10$ and $b = 26$, find the linear combination of a and b using the Euclidean algorithm, that is, find x and y such that $ax + by = GCD(a, b)$.

Solution b(i). $GCD(a, b) = GCD(10, 26) = 2$

$26 = 10(2) + 6$ $10 = 6(1) + 4$ $6 = 4(1) + 2$ $4 = 2(2) + 0$	<div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">Rewrite and solve:</div> $2 = 6 - 4(1)$ $= 6 - [10 - 6(1)](1)$ $= 6(2) + 10(-1)$ $= [26 - 10(2)](2) + 10(-1)$ $= 26(2) + 10(-5)$
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So, $x = -5$ and $y = 2$.

- b(ii). Given $a = 14$ and $b = 27$, find the linear combination of a and b using the Euclidean algorithm, that is, find x and y such that $ax + by = GCD(a, b)$.
- b(iii). Given $a = 48$ and $b = 62$, find the linear combination of a and b using the Euclidean algorithm, that is, find x and y such that $ax + by = GCD(a, b)$.
- c(i). Find the inverse of 7 mod 29.
- c(ii). Find the inverse of 48 mod 366.
- c(iii). Find the inverse of 12 mod 29.
- d(i). Suppose $k = 12, 17$ then $c = E_k(m) = 12m + 17 \pmod{26}$. Find the decryption algorithm.
- d(ii). Let $m = \text{'alphabets'}$, $k = (a, b) = (11, 2)$, $E_k(m) = 11m + 2 \pmod{26}$. Find the Affine Cipher of m for k . Find the Decryption Algorithm.
- e(i). Find the remainder of 8^{1232} upon division by 1231.
- e(ii). Find the last 2 decimal digits of 413^{402} . Hint : The last 2 digits of a positive integer n are given by the least non-negative residue of $n \pmod{100}$.

e(iii). Find all the integer solutions (x,y) for the equation $17x+19y = 3$.

e(iv). Find all the integer solutions (x,y) for the equation $23x+11y = 7$.

f(i). Solve :

$$x \equiv 12 \pmod{11}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{16}$$

$$x \equiv 9 \pmod{21}$$

$$x \equiv 17 \pmod{25}$$

f(ii). Find all solutions of :

(i). $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{144}$

(ii). $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2^3 \cdot 5^2}$

(iii). $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2^4 \cdot 3^4}$

g(i). Check for Quadratic Residue or Quadratic Non Residue:

(i). $\left(\frac{8}{5}\right)$

(ii). $\left(\frac{4}{13}\right)$

(iii). $\left(\frac{11}{3}\right)$

(iv). $\left(\frac{18}{7}\right)$

h(i). Using Rabin-Miller Algorithm check if the following numbers are prime or not :

(i). 171

(ii). 37

(iii). 271

*****MODULE 2*****

2. Answer the following:

a(i). Suppose $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ is a cryptosystem. Given a key $k \in \mathcal{K}$, there exist only one $x \in \mathcal{P}$ with the condition $x = D_k(y)$, for any $y \in C(k)$. Prove or disprove the above statement.

Solution a(i). Assume that there exists $x_0 \neq x_1$ with $x_0 = D_k(y)$ and $x_1 = D_k(y)$. We know that a cryptosystem should satisfy the equation $x = D_k(E_k(x))$. Then we have, $x_0 = D_k(y) = D_k(E_k(x_0))$ and $x_1 = D_k(y) = D_k(E_k(x_1))$. From these two equations, we get $x_0 = D_k(y) = D_k(E_k(x_1)) = x_1$. This is a contradiction to our assumption. Therefore, Given a key $k \in \mathcal{K}$, there exist only one $x \in \mathcal{P}$ with the condition $x = D_k(y)$, for any $y \in C(k)$. Proved.

a(ii). In the ancient Caesar cipher, the key is a uniformly random “shuffle,” or permutation, of the alphabet (including spacing and punctuation). For example, a random key might be: A becomes L, B becomes Z, C becomes A, space becomes J, etc. To encrypt a message, the sender simply applies the permutation to the message; to decrypt, the receiver reverses the shuffle. Suppose we use the Caesar cipher to encrypt just one message that is shorter than the alphabet size. Does it attain perfect secrecy? Give a convincing argument (or formal proof) why or why not?

a(iii). Every key is used with equal probability $\left(\frac{1}{|K|}\right)$ and for every $x \in \mathcal{P}$ and for every $y \in \mathcal{C}$ there is a unique $key \mathcal{K}$ such that $E_k(m) = y$. Prove the cryptosystem attains perfect secrecy.

b(i) Suppose $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ is a cryptosystem, where $\mathcal{P} = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\mathcal{K} = \{k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4\}$, and $\mathcal{C} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. The distributions are given as $\{Pr[a] = 1/6, Pr[b] = 1/3, Pr[c] = 1/3, Pr[d] = 1/6\}$ and $\{Pr[k_1] = 1/4, Pr[k_2] = 1/2, Pr[k_3] = 1/8, Pr[k_4] = 1/8\}$. The encryption mapping is as follows:

	a	b	c	d
k_1	1	2	3	4
k_2	2	1	5	3
k_3	4	2	1	5
k_4	3	1	5	2

(i). Find the distribution of ciphertext space \mathcal{C} ?

(ii). Find the entropy $H(\mathcal{C})$?

Solution b(i) (i) We have the distribution of the ciphertext as follows:

$$Pr[Y = y] = \sum_{\{k: y \in C(k)\}} Pr[k] Pr[X = D_k(y)]$$

$$Pr[Y = 1] = \sum_{\{k: 1 \in C(k)\}} Pr[k] Pr[X = D_k(1)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} Pr[Y = 1] &= Pr[k_1] Pr[X = a] + Pr[k_2] Pr[X = b] + Pr[k_3] Pr[X = c] + Pr[k_4] Pr[X = b] \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= 0.2916 \end{aligned}$$

$$Pr[Y = 2] = \sum_{\{k: 2 \in C(k)\}} Pr[k] Pr[X = D_k(2)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} Pr[Y = 2] &= Pr[k_1] Pr[X = b] + Pr[k_2] Pr[X = a] + Pr[k_3] Pr[X = b] + Pr[k_4] Pr[X = d] \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \\ &= 0.2291 \end{aligned}$$

$$Pr[Y = 3] = \sum_{\{k: 3 \in C(k)\}} Pr[k] Pr[X = D_k(3)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} Pr[Y = 3] &= Pr[k_1] Pr[X = c] + Pr[k_2] Pr[X = d] + Pr[k_4] Pr[X = a] \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \\ &= 0.1875 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Pr[Y = 4] &= \sum_{\{k:4 \in C(k)\}} Pr[k]Pr[X = D_k(4)] \\
Pr[Y = 4] &= Pr[k_1]Pr[X = d] + Pr[k_3]Pr[X = a] \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \\
&= 0.0625
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Pr[Y = 5] &= \sum_{\{k:5 \in C(k)\}} Pr[k]Pr[X = D_k(5)] \\
Pr[Y = 5] &= Pr[k_2]Pr[X = c] + Pr[k_3]Pr[X = d] + Pr[k_4]Pr[X = c] \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \\
&= 0.1458
\end{aligned}$$

(ii). The entropy of ciphertext space computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
H((C)) &= - \sum_y Pr[Y = y] \log Pr[Y = y] \\
&= -(Pr[Y = 1] \log Pr[Y = 1] + Pr[Y = 2] \log Pr[Y = 2] \\
&\quad + Pr[Y = 3] \log Pr[Y = 3] + Pr[Y = 4] \log Pr[Y = 4] \\
&\quad + Pr[Y = 5] \log Pr[Y = 5]) \\
&= 2.1132
\end{aligned}$$

b(ii) Suppose $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ is a cryptosystem, where $\mathcal{P} = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\mathcal{K} = \{k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4\}$, and $\mathcal{C} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. The distributions are given as $\{Pr[a] = 1/4, Pr[b] = 1/2, Pr[c] = 1/8, Pr[d] = 1/8\}$ and $\{Pr[k_1] = 1/6, Pr[k_2] = 1/3, Pr[k_3] = 1/3, Pr[k_4] = 1/6\}$. The encryption mapping is as follows:

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k_3	3	2	1	5
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(i). Find the distribution of ciphertext space \mathcal{C} ?

(ii). Find the entropy $H(\mathcal{C})$?

b(iii) Suppose $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ is a cryptosystem, where $\mathcal{P} = \{a, b, c, \}$, $\mathcal{K} = \{k_1, k_2, k_3\}$, and $\mathcal{C} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. The distributions are given as $\{Pr[a] = 1/2, Pr[b] = 1/3, Pr[c] = 1/6\}$ and $\{Pr[k_1] = 1/3, Pr[k_2] = 1/3, Pr[k_3] = 1/3\}$. The encryption mapping is as follows:

	a	b	c
k_1	1	2	3
k_2	2	1	4
k_3	3	4	1

(i). Find the entropy $H(\mathcal{C})$, $H(\mathcal{P})$, $H(\mathcal{K})$

(ii). Find $H(\mathcal{K}|\mathcal{C})$

b(iv) Suppose $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ is a cryptosystem, where $\mathcal{P} = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $\mathcal{K} = \{k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4\}$, and $\mathcal{C} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. The distributions are given as $\{Pr[a] = 1/2, Pr[b] = 1/8, Pr[c] = 1/4, Pr[d] = 1/8\}$ and $\{Pr[k_1] = 1/4, Pr[k_2] = 1/4, Pr[k_3] = 1/4, Pr[k_4] = 1/4\}$. The encryption mapping is as follows:

	a	b	c	d
k_1	3	2	5	4
k_2	2	1	4	3
k_3	3	4	1	5
k_4	4	1	3	2

(i). Find the distribution of ciphertext space \mathcal{C} ?

(ii). Find the entropy $H(\mathcal{C})$, $H(\mathcal{P})$, $H(\mathcal{K})$

(iii). Find $H(\mathcal{K}|\mathcal{C})$