

Cryptography & Cyber Law

Assignment-05

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Ans of Q1:

If p is a prime number and a is any integer such that $\gcd(a, p) = 1$, then:

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

proof: Let $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1\}$ be the set of integers modulo p , excluding 0. To form a new set:

$$S' = \{a \cdot 1, a \cdot 2, \dots, a \cdot (p-1)\} \pmod{p}$$

Since, a has an inverse modulo p , all elements in S' are distinct modulo p , and S' is must a rearrangement of S .

Thus :

$$a \cdot 2a \cdot 3a \dots (p-1)a \equiv 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots (p-1) \pmod{p}$$

$$a^{p-1} \cdot (p-1)! \equiv (p-1)! \pmod{p}$$

Cancelling $(p-1)!$ from both sides (allowed since $\gcd((p-1)!, p) = 1$):

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

This proves Fermat's Theorem.

Using the theorem to compute $a^{p-1} \bmod p$:

Given: $a=7, p=13$

since 13 is a prime and $\gcd(7, 13) = 1$, by Fermat's Little Theorem:

$$7^{13-1} = 7^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7^{12} \pmod{13} = 1$$

Importance of cryptographic Algorithms like RSA:-

Fermat's Little Theorem is foundational in number theory and crucial for cryptography, especially in the RSA algorithm. Here's how:

- RSA Encryption / Decryption uses modular exponentiation:

$$c = m^e \pmod{n}, \quad m = c^d \pmod{n}$$

The corresponding correctness relies on the fact that:

$$m^d \equiv m \pmod{n}$$

When $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$, where $\phi(n)$ is Euler's totient function.

- Fermat's Theorem (as a special case of Euler's theorem) helps ensure that:

$$m^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

- which is used when n is a product of two primes p and q .
 - Key Generation & Modular inverses : The theorem helps in computing modular inverses which are required to find the decryption key d .
- Fermat's Little Theorem simplifies exponentiation in modular arithmetic and forms the mathematical backbone of public-key cryptographic algorithms like RSA ensuring secure data transmission.

Answer of ques 02:

Given that, $n=35$, $n=45$, $n=100$

and prove that if a and n are co-prime then:

$$a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

Step 01 : compute Euler's Totient Function $\phi(n)$

Euler's totient function for:

$$n = p_1^{k_1} \cdot p_2^{k_2} \cdots p_r^{k_r}$$

$$\phi(n) = n \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_2}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_r}\right)$$

For $n=35$:

prime factorization : $35 = 5 \cdot 7$

$$\phi(35) = 35 \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{7}\right) = 35 \cdot \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{6}{7} = 24$$

For $n=45$

prime factorization:

$$45 = 3^2 \cdot 5$$

$$\phi(45) = 45 \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = 45 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{5} = 24$$

for $n=100$

Prime factorization : $100 = 2^2 \cdot 5^2$

$$\phi(100) = 100 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = 100 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{5} = 40$$

Step 2 : Proof of Euler's theorem

Theorem : If $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, then :

$$a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

Let $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}_n^* \mid \gcd(x, n) = 1\}$ be the group of units modulo n

Then A has $\phi(n)$ elements.

Since $a \in A$, the function $f(x) = ax \pmod{n}$ is a bijection on A

So, the product $\prod_{x \in A} x \equiv \prod_{x \in A} ax \pmod{n}$

$$\prod_{x \in A} ax = a^{\phi(n)} \prod_{x \in A} x$$

cancel $\prod_{x \in A} x$ from both sides (it's invertible mod n) :

$$a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

Solution of ques 03:

Given that, $x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$

$x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

$x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

Let, $n_1 = 3$, $n_2 = 4$, $n_3 = 5$

$$N = n_1 \cdot n_2 \cdot n_3 = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 = 60$$

Step 01 : Compute $N_i = \frac{N}{n_i}$

$$N_1 = \frac{60}{3} = 20$$

$$N_2 = \frac{60}{4} = 15$$

$$N_3 = \frac{60}{5} = 12$$

Step 02: Find y_i such that,

$$N_i \cdot y_i \equiv 1 \pmod{n_i}$$

• $20 \cdot y_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \rightarrow 20 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$, So solve

$$2y_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \rightarrow y_1 = 2$$

• $15 \cdot y_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \rightarrow 15 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, So solve

$$3y_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \rightarrow y_2 = 3$$

• $12 \cdot y_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \rightarrow 12 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$, So solve $2y_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \rightarrow y_3 = 3$

Step 03: Compute the Solution:

$$x \equiv a_1 N_1 y_1 + a_2 N_2 y_2 + a_3 N_3 y_3 \pmod{N}$$

Where:

$$a_1 = 2, a_2 = 3, a_3 = 1$$

$$x \equiv (2)(20)(2) + (3)(15)(3) + (1)(12)(3) \pmod{60}$$

$$x \equiv 80 + 135 + 36 \equiv 251 \pmod{60}$$

$$x \equiv 251 \pmod{60} \Rightarrow x \equiv 11 \pmod{60}$$

$$11 \pmod{3} = 2$$

$$11 \pmod{4} = 3$$

$$11 \pmod{5} = 1$$

$$\therefore x \equiv 11 \pmod{60}$$

Solution of Ques 04:

A Carmichael number is a composite number n such that:

$$a^n \equiv a \pmod{n}$$

for all integers a such that $\gcd(a, n) = 1$. It passes Fermat's Little Theorem for all such a , even though it is not prime.

Step 01 : Check if 561 is square free. A number is square-free if no prime factor repeats.

$$561 = 3^1 \cdot 11^1 \cdot 17^1$$

Each prime has exponent 1 \rightarrow 561 is square-free

Step 02 : Apply Fermat's Test for each prime factor:

$$(p-1) \mid (561-1=560)$$

- For $p=3, p-1=2 \nmid 2 \mid 560$
- For $p=11, p-1=10 \nmid 10 \mid 560$
- For $p=17, p-1=16 \nmid 16 \mid 560$

All prime divisors satisfy $(p-1) \mid 560$.

For each prime P dividing 561, $P-1 \mid 560$

Therefore, 561 is a carmichael number

Solution of Ques 05:

We want to find a primitive root modulo 17, that is, a number g such that :

$$\{g^1, g^2, g^3, \dots, g^{16}\} \bmod 17$$

produces all numbers from 1 to 16 without repetition.

Step 1 : Euler's Totient Function :

Since, 17 is a prime number,

$$\phi(17) = 17 - 1 = 16$$

So, the order of any primitive root modulo 17 must be 16

Step 2: Prime factors of 16

$$16 = 2^4 \Rightarrow \text{Prime factor is } 2$$

To test whether a number g is a primitive root modulo 17, check :

$$g^{16/2} = g^8 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

Step 03: Try $g=2$

$$2^8 = 256 \Rightarrow 256 \pmod{17} = 1$$

So, $g=2$ is not a primitive root because it's order is 8

Step 04: Try $g=3$

$$3^8 = 6561 = 3^8 \pmod{17} = 16 \neq 1$$

Now Let's compute all powers of 3 modulo 17 :

$$3^1 \equiv 3 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^2 \equiv 9 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^3 \equiv 10 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^4 \equiv 13 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^5 \equiv 5 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^6 \equiv 15 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^7 \equiv 11 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^8 \equiv 16 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^9 \equiv 14 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^{10} \equiv 8 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^{11} \equiv 7 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^{12} \equiv 4 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^{13} \equiv 12 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^{14} \equiv 2 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^{15} \equiv 6 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^{16} \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

All $\{1, 2, \dots, 16\}$ appeared once \Rightarrow order is 16.

$\therefore 3$ is a primitive root modulo 17

Solution of Ques 06:

To solve the discrete logarithm problem $3^x \equiv 13 \pmod{17}$, we need to find the value of x . We can do this by computing the powers of 3 modulo 17 until we reach 13.

$$3^1 \equiv 3 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^2 \equiv 9 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^3 \equiv 3 \cdot 9 \equiv 27 \equiv 10 \pmod{17}$$

$$3^4 \equiv 3 \cdot 10 \equiv 30 \equiv 13 \pmod{17}$$

From the calculations, we can see that $3^4 \equiv 13 \pmod{17}$.

Therefore, $x = 4$

Solution of Ques 07:

Role of Discrete Logarithm in Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange -

1. Public Parameters : Large prime P , generator g .

2. Key Exchange :

- Alice sends $A = g^a \pmod{P}$

- Bob sends $B = g^b \pmod{P}$

- Shared key : $g = g^{ab} \pmod{P}$

3. Discrete Logarithm Problem (DLP):

- Hard to find a from $A = g^a \text{ mod } p$
- This difficulty ensures security

4. Attacker's challenge:

- cannot compute shared key without solving DLP
- DLP is computationally hard for large p

Solution of Ques 08:

Substitution cipher:

Encryption Mechanism: Each Letter is replaced by another letter.

Example: Caesar cipher shifts each letter by a fixed number.

Key Space: For monoalphabetic : $26! \approx 2^{88} \times 10^2$

Frequency Analysis vulnerability:

Highly vulnerable: Letter frequencies remain unchanged.

Example: Plaintext: Hello

Key: Caesar shift by 3

Ciphertext: KHOOK

2. Transposition Cipher:

Encryption Mechanism:

- Letters are rearranged based on a platform or key.
- No change to actual letters.

Key Space:

- depends on message/block length: for length n , key space is $n!$.

Frequency Analysis Vulnerability:

less vulnerable: Frequencies preserved, but letter positions change.

Example :

Plaintext : Hello

key : Rearranged as 3-1-4-2-5

→ Rearranged to LHOEL

3. PlayFair Cipher:

Encryption Mechanism: Encrypt digraphs(pairs of letters)

using a 5×5 matrix .

Key Space: Based on 5×5 grid of letters (excluding 'j') $\rightarrow 25! \approx 1.55 \times 10^{25}$

Example: HELLO \rightarrow digraphs: HE, LX, LO key: Matrix from keyword. MONARCHY

Solution of Ques 09:

Given,

Affine Cipher encryption function:

$$E(x) = (a \cdot x + b) \bmod 26$$

Where,

$$a=5$$

$$b=8$$

plaintext: "Dept of ICT", MBSTU"

Step A: Encryption

1. Preprocessing the Plaintext:

Remove punctuation and spaces, convert to uppercase:

plaintext = "DEPTOFACTMBSTU"

2. Convert letters to numbers ($A=0$ to $Z=25$)

D=3, E=4, P=15, T=19, O=14, F=5, I=8, C=2, T=19, M=12, B=1, S=18, T=19, U=20

3. Apply the encryption function $E(x) = (5x+8)$
 $\text{mod } 26$

Letter	X	$E(x)$	Cipher
D	3	$(5 \times 3 + 8) \% 26 = 23$	X
E	4	$(5 \times 4 + 8) \% 26 = 2$	C
P	15	$(5 \times 15 + 8) \% 26 = 1$	B
T	19	$(5 \times 19 + 8) \% 26 = 21$	V
O	14	$(5 \times 14 + 8) \% 26 = 0$	A
F	5	$(5 \times 5 + 8) \% 26 = 7$	H
I	8	$(5 \times 8 + 8) \% 26 = 22$	W
C	2	$(5 \times 2 + 8) \% 26 = 18$	S
T	19	$(5 \times 19 + 8) \% 26 = 21$	V
M	12	$(5 \times 12 + 8) \% 26 = 16$	Q
B	1	$(5 \times 1 + 8) \% 26 = 26$	N
S	18	$(5 \times 18 + 8) \% 26 = 16$	Q
T	19	$(5 \times 19 + 8) \% 26 = 21$	V
U	20	$(5 \times 20 + 8) \% 26 = 6$	G

Step B: Decryption:

The decryption function of Affine cipher is :

$$D(y) = a^{-1}(y - b) \bmod 26$$

where a^{-1} is the modular inverse of $a=5$ modulo 26.

$$\text{Since: } 5 \cdot 21 \equiv 105 \equiv 1 \pmod{26} \Rightarrow a^{-1} = 21$$

So, the decryption function becomes :

$$D(y) = 21 \cdot (y - 8) \bmod 26$$

2. Apply decryption on ciphertext :

ciphertext : XCBVAHWSVQVNQVG

converts letters to numbers :

$$X=23, C=2, B=1, V=21, A=0, H=7, W=22, S=18, N=13, Q=16, G=6$$

Apply $D(y) = 21 \cdot (y - 8) \bmod 26$:

Letter	y	$D(y)$	plain
X	23	$21 \times (23 - 8) \% 26 = 3$	D
C	2	$21 \times (2 - 8) \% 26 = 4$	E
B	1	$21 \times (1 - 8) \% 26 = 15$	P
V	21	$21 \times (21 - 8) \% 26 = 19$	T
A	0	$21 \times (0 - 8) \% 26 = 14$	O

H	7	$21 \times (7-8) \% 26 = 5$	F
W	22	$21 \times (22-8) \% 26 = 8$	I
S	18	$21 \times (18-8) \% 26 = 2$	C
V	21	$21 \times (21-8) \% 26 = 19$	T
Q	16	$21 \times (16-8) \% 26 = 12$	M
N	13	$21 \times (13-8) \% 26 = 1$	B
Q	16	$21 \times (16-8) \% 26 = 12$	S
V	21	$21 \times (21-8) \% 26 = 19$	T
G	6	$21 \times (6-8) \% 26 = 20$	U

Letter	A	D(A)
D	X	$21 \times (23-8) \% 26 = 9$
E	G	$21 \times (5-8) \% 26 = 21$
B	I	$21 \times (1-8) \% 26 = 21$
V	V	$21 \times (21-8) \% 26 = 19$
A	A	$21 \times (0-8) \% 26 = 21$

Solution of Ques 10:

Here's a simple novel cipher that uses a combination of substitution and permutation techniques. It also uses a custom pseudo-random number generation (PRNG) for added complexity.

Cipher Name : Sub-Perm cipher (SPC)

Substitution: Each character is substituted using a keyed caesar shift.

Permutation: Blocks of text are permuted using a PRNG-based shuffle.

RRNG: Custom linear congruential generator (LCG)

Key:

k_1 : Integer (used for caesar shift)

k_2 : Seed value for PRNG

Block Size : Fixed Block Size

Encryption Process:

PRNG: $x_{n+1} = (ax_n + c) \bmod m$

parameters: $a=17, c=43, m=256$

For each character C_i , compute:

shift_i = PRNG(k_2) mod 26

$C'_i = (C_i + \text{shift}_i + k_1) \bmod 26$

Step 2 : Permutation :

Split the substituted ciphertext into blocks of size N.

Decryption Process :

Step 01: Reverse Permutation

Using the same PRNG and Block size, rearrange the permutation Pattern and reverse it for each block.

Step 02: Reverse Substitution

$$\text{Shift}_i = \text{PRNG}(k_2) \bmod 26$$

$$c_i = (c'_i - \text{Shift}_i - k_1 + 26) \bmod 26$$

Example:

Input :

plaintext : "HELLO"

$k_1 = 3, k_2 = 7$, Block Size = 2

Step 1 : Substitution

Let's say PRNG gives shift = [5, 12, 7, 19, 2]

$$H \rightarrow H(7) + 5 + 3 = 15 \rightarrow P$$

$$E \rightarrow E(4) + 12 + 3 = 19 \rightarrow T$$

$$L \rightarrow L(11) + 7 + 3 = 21 \rightarrow V$$

$$L \rightarrow L(11) + 19 + 3 = 33 \rightarrow H \pmod{26}$$

$$O \rightarrow O(14) + 2 + 3 = 19 \rightarrow T$$

Substituted : "PTVHT"

Step 02: Permutation (Block Size 2)

Split : [PT] [VH] [T-]

Permutation generated : [1, 0]

[PT] → [TP]

[VH] → [HV]

[T-] → [-T] (padding with -)

Final cipherText : "TPHV-T"