Cryptography
Assignment 2

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Name: _____ **To be done in LaTeX**

Assignment is out of 10

1 One-Time Pad

Recall that in class we demonstrated how using the One-time pad was secure. In effect we showed how, in an effort to try and decrypt the cipher-text:

"ANKYODKYUREPFJBYOJDSPLREYIUNOFDOIUERFPLUYTS"

One cryptanalyst came up with the decryption: "MR MUSTARD WITH THE CANDLESTICK IN THE HALL"; while another: "MISS SCARLET WITH THE KNIFE IN THE LIBRARY.

1. Demonstrate how, using the character as the atomic operand, given the cipher-text:

   JACAOYOABLCYOUPOYTBN

   One may get:

   (a) COMMANDER IN CHIEF [1 mark]

   (b) THE SERGEANT AT ARMS [1 mark]

2. Joseph sends Aisha a message using a One-time pad. He also sends David another message using the same key. You were able to get both messages, as:

   `0809 0302 0607 1A17 1A08 1C07 141D` and [2 marks]

   `0005 1311 1911 1907 0D09 1B08 130B`

   If the atomic operand is the bit, decrypt both messages and find the potential key.

   Consider that one of the phrases may be from the following list:

GORGEOUS SUSAN	SHE ADORES JOHN
NICOTINE IS BAD	MARIJUANAS LEGAL
JUSTINE TRUDEAU	FLOYD MAYWEATHER
ANGELINA JOLIE	EMBEZZLED FUNDS
NANETTE WORKMAN	ELIZABETH MAY
GRANT US PEACE	WE'RE AWESOME

2 Number Theory & Hill Cipher

4. Is $2^{82589933} - 1$ prime? _____ [0.5]

   Why? _____ [0.5]

5. Use Euclid's Algorithm to find `gcd(422774, 1009)`. [No Partial Marks] (1 Mark)

6. Find the inverse of `1009 (mod 422774)`. [No Partial Marks] (1 Mark)

7. Find all solutions (between 1 & 265) to the equation $35x \equiv 15 \pmod{265}$. [1]

8. (Hill-Cipher) Bob sends Alice the following code, in which the Hill-Cipher has been used, modulo 31. The key matrix used is:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 30 & 23 \\ 6 & 30 & 20 \\ 26 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$ and The Ciphertext A is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} T & 1 & H & I & C & O & Z & F \\ F & W & B & T & S & P & B & J \\ M & R & 2 & A & J & X & K & U \end{bmatrix}$$

If Bob used the following decimal encoding:

Letter	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P
Code	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Letter	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	0	1	2	3	4	
Code	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	

(a) Compute the inverse of the matrix K (mod 31). [1]

(b) Find the plaintext M. (Remember to remove the gibberish & punctuate it correctly.) [1]

9. -113 (mod 10) = _____ [1]