Cryptography & Encryption:6G7Z1011: Lab Questions

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2 Problems & Supplementary Material:Problems

2.1 problem: iterative solution

We present an iterative way of solving (certain types of equations). Suppose we wished to solve $x^3 - x - 1 = 0$ on [1, 2]. The fixed point iteration requires

$$f:[1,2] \to [1,2], x \mapsto f(x) = (1+x)^{1/3}$$
 (1)

The idea being if x = f(x) we have a fixed point. Write a Java method that takes a starting point x_1 and finds the solution to $x^3 - x - 1 = 0$ to four decimal places. To commence let $x_1 = 1.1$

2.2 problem: Digital Signatures

Code the RSA Digital Signature algorithm in JAVA.

1. Sam picks two primes p = 1223 and q = 1987; check they are prime. Evaluate

$$N = p.q = 1223.1987 = 2430101. (2)$$

2. Sam picks a verification exponent v = 948047 check

$$\gcd(v, (p-1)(q-1)) = 1 \tag{3}$$

3. Sam's signing key is the s that solves

$$sv = 1 \mod (p-1)(q-1);$$
 (4)

find s (you should get s = 1051235.)

4. Suppose the document is D = 1070777 then the signed document is

$$S = D^s (5)$$

Sam makes S (the signed document), D (the actual document) and v (the verification exponent) and N available.

5. Victor has access to N, v, S and D, Sam evaluates

$$S^v \mod N,$$
 (6)

and it should equal D.

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2.3 problem:Probability and Combinatorics

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- 1. How many different seven letter words can be formed from the symbols A, B and C?
- 2. Using the seven letters A, A, A, B, B, B how many different words of length seven can be formed?
- 3. A fair coin is flipped six times, find the probability that:
 - 1. The result is six heads.
 - 2. Exactly one head occurs.
 - 3. There are the same number of heads as there are tails.
 - 4. A *n-sequence* is when the same result (head or tail) turns up *n*-times so HHHTHT contains a 3-sequence of heads. What is the probability that no sequence of length 2 or greater occurs in the six flips?

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2.4 problem:

「Continue with your assignment. 」