CRYPTOGRAPHY MISSION 09 SOLUTIONS

Deadline: Thursday, 17 November 2016 at 3:05pm

This mission covers Sections 6.3, 6.4, and 7.1

1. Graded Problems

1. Read through the Miller-Rabin Primality Test (6.3 p. 178). Work through the example, and write a new example here.

$$n = 101$$

$$n - 1 = 100 = 2^2 \cdot 25$$
 Choose $a = 3$.
$$b_0 = 3^{25} \equiv 10 \bmod 101$$

$$b_1 = 10^2 \equiv 100 \bmod 100$$

So n = 101 is probably prime.

2. Use the Fermat Factoring method to factor 70747.

$$70747 + 1^2 = 70748$$
$$70747 + 2^2 = 70751$$
$$70747 + 3^2 = 70756$$

and
$$\sqrt{70756} = 266$$
, so $70756 = (266 + 3)(266 - 3) = 269 \cdot 263$.

3. Use the p-1 Factoring Algorithm to factor 4757.

$$\begin{array}{lll} n = 4757 \\ \text{for i in } \mathrm{range}\left(1\,,10\right); \\ & \quad \mathrm{print} \ \gcd\left(2\,\hat{\ } \left(\,\mathrm{factorial}\,(\,\mathrm{i}\,)\right)\%n-1,n\right) \} \end{array}$$

We find that when i = 7, we get the gcd to be 71, so 71 is a factor and so is 4757/71 = 67.

4. Use SageMath's factor() to check your answers to problems 1 and 2.

 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm factor} \left(101 \right) \\ {\rm factor} \left(70747 \right) \end{array}$

yields 101 (which is prime) and $263 \cdot 269$.

5. Given p=17. Solve the following discrete logs problems if possible. If not, explain why. a. $14 \equiv 3^x \mod 17$

x = 9 works.

b. $5 \equiv 4^x \mod 17$

This is impossible. If we try several x values, we find that we get possible mod 17 values of 1, 4, 16, 13. These repeat, so any other value (namely, 5) won't appear.