

Assignment 1

Due: 23rd September 2020 at 5.00 p.m

Total: 70 marks

1. Using the theorem divisibility, prove the following
 - a) If $a|b$, then $a|bc \ \forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ (5 marks)
 - b) If $a|b$ and $b|c$, then $a|c$ (5 marks)
2. Using any programming language of choice (preferably python), implement the following algorithms
 - a) Modular exponentiation algorithm (10 marks)
 - b) The sieve of Eratosthenes (10 marks)
3. Write a program that implements the Euclidean Algorithm (10 marks)
4. Modify the algorithm above such that it not only returns the gcd of a and b but also the Bezouts coefficients x and y, such that $ax + by = 1$ (10 marks)
5. Let m be the gcd of 117 and 299. Find m using the Euclidean algorithm (5 marks)
6. Find the integers p and q , solution to $1002p + 71q = m$ (5 marks)
7. Determine whether the equation $486x + 222y = 6$ has a solution such that $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_p$. If yes, find x and y. If not, explain your answer. (5 marks)
8. Determine integers x and y such that $\gcd(421, 11) = 421x + 11y$. (5 marks)
9. Explain the working mechanism of the following signature schemes (15 marks)
 - RSA signature scheme (10 mark)
 - Digital Signature Standard (10 mark)
 - Schnorr Signature Scheme(10 mark)