

# COMP 170 – Fall 2008

## Midterm 2 Solution

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By the definition of the RSA algorithm  $d \cdot e \bmod T = 1$  where

$$T = (p - 1)(q - 1) = 10 \cdot 18 = 180.$$

Using, e.g., the extended GCD algorithm, we find that the multiplicative inverse of  $7 \bmod T$  is  $e = 103$ .

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$$M = X^d \bmod n = 15^7 \bmod 209 = 203.$$

(The last equality can be derived any of multiple ways)

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No.

61 is a prime number so, by Fermat's little theorem,  
 $15^{60} \bmod 61 = 1..$

On the other hand, since  $3|15$ , we also have  $3|15^{62}$ .

Since  $3|63$ , this means that  $3|(15^{62} \bmod 63)$ ,  
so  $15^{62} \bmod 63 \neq 1$ .

**Q2.(b)** Is  $(100^{440} \bmod 89) = (100^{1320} \bmod 89)$ ?

Yes.

89 is prime so, by Fermat's little theorem,

$$100^{88} \bmod 89 = 1.$$

Since both 440 and 1320 are divisible by 88  
we have

$$(100^{440} \bmod 89) = 1 = (100^{1320} \bmod 89) .$$



**Q2.(c)** Evaluate  $3^{1052} \bmod 60$ .

This can be solved by repeated squaring. Set  $I_i = 3^{2^i} \bmod 60$ .  
Then

$$I_0 = 3$$

$$I_1 = I_0 \cdot I_0 \bmod 60 = 9$$

$$I_2 = I_1 \cdot I_1 \bmod 60 = 21$$

Now notice that  $21 \cdot 21 \bmod 60 = 21$  so, for all  $i \geq 2$ ,  $I_i = 21$ .  
Since

$$3^{1052} = 3^{1024} \cdot 3^{128}$$

we find

$$(3^{1052} \bmod 60) = (I_7 \cdot I_{10} \bmod 60) = (21^2 \bmod 60) = 21.$$

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For each pair, either prove that they are logically equivalent or give a counterexample.

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Logically equivalent.

Using the fact that  $(p \rightarrow q) \equiv (\neg p \vee q)$  and the distributive laws gives,

$$\begin{aligned}(p \Rightarrow q) \wedge (q \Rightarrow p) &= (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee p) \\ &= (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge p) \vee (q \wedge \neg q) \vee (p \wedge q) \\ &= (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)\end{aligned}$$

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Not logically equivalent.

Let  $U = R$ ,  $p(x)$  be  $x \geq 0$ , and  $q(x)$  be  $(1 - x)^2 \geq (1 + x)^2$ .

$$\left( \forall x \in R \ x \geq 0 \right) \Rightarrow \left( \forall x \in R \ (1 - x)^2 \geq (1 + x)^2 \right)$$

is true because  $\left( \forall x \in R \ x \geq 0 \right)$  is false.

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Here is the proof in terms of truth values:

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always true always true not always true not always true	always false not always false always false not always false
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Alternatively, we can also prove the equivalence using logic laws:

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \forall x \in U \ p(x) \right) \Rightarrow \left( \exists y \in V \ q(y) \right) &= \neg \left( \forall x \in U \ p(x) \right) \vee \left( \exists y \in V \ q(y) \right) \\ &= \left( \exists x \in U \ \neg p(x) \right) \vee \left( \exists y \in V \ q(y) \right) \\ &= \exists x \in U \ \exists y \in V \ (\neg p(x) \vee q(y)) \\ &= \exists x \in U \ \exists y \in V \ (p(x) \Rightarrow q(y)) \end{aligned}$$

Q4. For each of the three statements below, state whether they are True or False. Justify your answer.

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True. According to Fermat's little theorem, the statement is true if we choose  $p$  to be a prime number.

Q5. Prove the following statement by contraposition:

If  $x$  and  $y$  are two integers such that  $0 < x \leq y < 34$  and  $x \neq y$ , then

$$\left[ (x \bmod 5) \neq (y \bmod 5) \right] \vee \left[ (x \bmod 7) \neq (y \bmod 7) \right].$$

You may not use the Chinese remainder theorem.

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Let  $p(n)$  and  $q(n)$  denote the following two sentences:

$$\begin{aligned} p(n) &: x \text{ and } y \text{ are two integers such that } 0 < x \leq y < 34 \text{ and } x \neq y \\ q(n) &: \text{either } (x \bmod 5) \neq (y \bmod 5) \text{ or } (x \bmod 7) \neq (y \bmod 7) \end{aligned}$$

The result that we need to prove can be expressed as the conditional statement  $p(n) \Rightarrow q(n)$ .

A contrapositive proof corresponds to proving that  $\neg q(n) \Rightarrow \neg p(n)$ .

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We first assume that  $q(n)$  is false, i.e.,

$$(x \bmod 5) = (y \bmod 5) \text{ and } (x \bmod 7) = (y \bmod 7)$$

This implies  $5|x - y$  and  $7|x - y$ .

Hence,  $35|x - y$  and  $x = y + 35q$  for some integers,  $q$ .

There are three cases to consider:

- (i) If  $q = 0$ , then  $x = y$  and  $p(n)$  is false.
- (ii) If  $q < 0$ , then  $y \geq x + 35$  and  $p(n)$  is false.
- (iii) If  $q > 0$ , then  $x \geq y + 35$  and  $p(n)$  is false.

For all three cases,  $p(n)$  is false. Thus we have  $\neg q(n) \Rightarrow \neg p(n)$ .

By the contrapositive rule of inference, we can conclude that  $p(n) \Rightarrow q(n)$ .

Q6. Consider the recurrence relation defined by

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 4T(n-1) + 3^n & \text{if } n > 0 \end{cases}$$

Give a closed form solution for  $T(n)$ .

Q6. By iterating the recurrence we derive that

$$T(n) = 4^n + \sum_{i=1}^n 4^{n-i} 3^i. \quad (1)$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 4^n + \sum_{i=1}^n 4^{n-i} 3^i \\ &= 4^n + 4^n \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^i \\ &= 4^n + 4^n \frac{3}{4} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^i \\ &= 4^n + 3 \cdot 4^n \left(1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n\right) \\ &= 4^{n+1} - 3^{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$



Q7. Consider the recurrence relation defined by

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 5 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 9T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + 2n & \text{if } n > 1. \end{cases}$$

For the purposes of this problem, you may assume that  $n$  is a power of 3.

- (a)** Give a closed form solution to  $T(n)$ .
- (b)** Prove the correctness of your solution using induction.

Q7.

(a)

$$T(n) = 6n^2 - n.$$

(b) **Base case:**

Let  $n = 1$ .  $T(1) = 5 = 6 \cdot 1^1 - 1$ . So the base case is true.

**Inductive case:**

Suppose the statement is true for  $3^{i-1}$ , with  $i > 0$ . Let  $n = 3^i$ .

By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) &= 9 \left( 6 \left( \frac{n}{3} \right)^2 - \frac{n}{3} \right) + 2n \\ &= 6n^2 - 3n + 2n \\ &= 6n^2 - n, \end{aligned}$$

so the statement is true for  $n = 3^i$ .

From the weak principle of mathematical induction, we conclude that the statement is true for  $n = 3^i$ ,  $\forall i \geq 0$ .

Q8. Prove by induction that if  $T(n)$  is defined by

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ \sqrt{1 + 3 \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (T(i))^2} & \text{if } n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

then  $\forall n \geq 0, T(n) = 2^n$ .

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**Inductive case:** Let  $n > 0$ . The statement is true from 1 to  $n - 1$ .  
i.e.,

$$T(1) = 2^1, \quad T(1) = 2^2, \quad \dots \quad T(n - 1) = 2^{n-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= \sqrt{1 + 3 \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (T(i))^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1 + 3 \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (2^i)^2} \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= \sqrt{1 + 3 \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^{2i}} \\&= \sqrt{1 + 3 \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 4^i} \\&= \sqrt{1 + 3\left(\frac{4^n - 1}{4 - 1}\right)} \\&= \sqrt{1 + 4^n - 1} \\&= 2^n\end{aligned}$$

Based on the strong principle of mathematical induction, we conclude that the statement is true for all integers  $\forall n \geq 0$ .