

Homework 7

Question 1

The congruence

$$x^e \equiv c \pmod{p}$$

has a unique solution congruence modulo prime p

when $\gcd(e, p-1) = 1$.

In this question, you are asked to explore what happens when $\gcd(e, p-1) \neq 1$.

Consider p prime, $c \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, $e \geq 1$.

- ① Give an example of p (prime), $c \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, $e \geq 1$ such that $x^e \equiv c \pmod{p}$ has no solution.
- ② Give an example of p (prime), $c \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, $e \geq 1$ such that $\gcd(e, p-1) \neq 1$ and $x^e \equiv c \pmod{p}$ has at least two solutions.

Prove that if $x^e \equiv c \pmod{p}$ has a solution, then it has $\overset{\text{exactly}}{\wedge} \gcd(e, p-1)$ distinct solutions.

① $e=2, p=5$

$$x^2 \equiv c \pmod{p}$$

Find c in \mathbb{Z}_p^* st

c is not a square / quadratic residue

② $e=2$, odd prime p

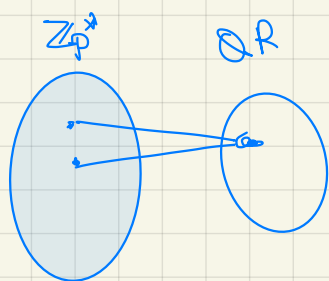
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$$\mathbb{QR} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p^* \quad p \text{ odd prime}$$

$$\mathbb{QR} = \{g^2, g \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*\}$$

$$|\mathbb{QR}| = \frac{|\mathbb{Z}_p^*|}{2}$$



2 to 1 function

Bob	Alice
Key creation	
Choose secret primes p and q . Choose encryption exponent e with $\gcd(e, (p-1)(q-1)) = 1$. Publish $N = pq$ and e .	
Encryption	
	Choose plaintext m . Use Bob's public key (N, e) to compute $c \equiv m^e \pmod{N}$. Send ciphertext c to Bob.
Decryption	
Compute d satisfying $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$. Compute $m' \equiv c^d \pmod{N}$. Then m' equals the plaintext m .	

Table 3.1: RSA key creation, encryption, and decryption

Question 2

Section. The RSA public key cryptosystem

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- (a) Bob wants to send Alice the message $m = 892383$. What ciphertext does Bob send to Alice?
- (b) Alice knows that her modulus factors into a product of two primes, one of which is $p = 1301$. Find a decryption exponent d for Alice.
- (c) Alice receives the ciphertext $c = 317730$ from Bob. Decrypt the message.

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3.8. Bob's RSA public key has modulus $N = 12191$ and exponent $e = 37$. Alice sends Bob the ciphertext $c = 587$. Unfortunately, Bob has chosen too small a modulus. Help Eve by factoring N and decrypting Alice's message. (*Hint.* N has a factor smaller than 100.)

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Question 2 For RSA, if you know $\phi(N) = (p-1)(q-1)$,

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(a) $m^e \bmod N$

(b) $q = N/p$

compute $\phi(N) = (p-1)(q-1)$

compute d such that

$$ed \equiv 1 \bmod \frac{\phi(N)}{g} \quad g = \gcd(p-1, q-1)$$

(c) $m = c^d \bmod N$

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for p from 3 to \sqrt{N} :

check if p divides N , break

Once p is found, use strategy in Question 2

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$$c_1 \equiv m^{e_1} \pmod{N}$$

$$c_2 \equiv m^{e_2} \pmod{N}$$

$$\gcd(e_1, e_2) = 1$$

Using Extended Euclidean algorithm to find u, v s.t.

$$e_1 u + e_2 v = 1$$

$$c_1^u c_2^v = m^{e_1 u} m^{e_2 v} = m^{e_1 u + e_2 v} = m \pmod{N}$$

Question 5

The following question is an experiment for the following statement:

If $N = pq$ is a product of two distinct odd primes. If $e = 3$ and d is given such that $3d \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(N)}$.
then we can find $\phi(N)$ easily.

For each of the following values, find $\phi(N)$:

(a) $N = 17693317$, $e = 3$, $d = 11789931$

(b) $N = 61853041$, $e = 3$, $d = 41224875$

consider the scenario where a company decides to use $N = pq$ as public key to all its employees to save cost of generating large primes p, q . Each employee will have its own (e, d) values.

If an employee has $(3, d)$, he can find $\phi(N)$.

Then the employee has the (e, d) of any other employees.

Hint ① $Q(N) \mid 3d-1$

$$\text{Let } N' = 3d-1$$

We know $Q(N)$ is a factor of N' .
 $N' = O(N)$ since $d \in O(N)$.

$Q(N)$ is $\frac{(p-1)(q-1)}{pq}$ of $N \rightarrow Q(N) = O(N)$

N' is a "small" multiple of $Q(N)$.

Find k s.t. k divides N' , and compute N'/k , which is a potential value of $Q(N)$. Use ② to check if N'/k is actually equal to $(p-1)(q-1)$ for some primes p and q .

② Given N and $Q(N)$, find p, q .

(a) compute $p+q$ using

$$Q(N) = (p-1)(q-1) = pq - (p+q) + 1$$

(b) compute p, q by finding roots of
 $x^2 - (p+q)x + pq = 0$

$$\Downarrow$$
$$(x-p)(x-q) = x^2 - (p+q)x + pq$$

Additional Questions

① Double encryption RSA.

public parameters: N, e_1, e_2

private parameters: d_1, d_2, p, q

To encrypt: $C_1 = m^{e_1} \bmod N$

$C_2 = C_1^{e_2} \bmod N$

To decrypt: [To do]

[To do] Argue whether Double encryption RSA is equal / less / more secure than RSA.

2) Multi prime RSA

$N = pqr$ where p, q, r are distinct odd primes.

public parameters: N, e

private parameters: d, p, q

To encrypt: $m^e \bmod N$

To decrypt: $c^d \bmod N$

How to find d ?

$$ed \equiv 1 \bmod ???$$

Argue whether multiprime RSA is equal / more / less secure than RSA.

Argue whether there is an advantage of using multiprime.