

# Cryptography and Network Security Homework

## 2a

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**Problem 1a:** Prove that  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  implies  $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$

Assume  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  is true. From the definition of modular congruence, we know that  $n$  divides the difference between  $a$  and  $b$ , so  $n \mid (a - b)$ . Since  $n$  divides  $(a - b)$ , it follows that  $n$  must also divide every integer multiple of  $(a - b)$ , so therefore  $n \mid k(a - b)$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $k = -1$ . We have that  $n \mid -1(a - b)$ , which is equivalent to  $n \mid (b - a)$ . This is the definition for modular congruence of  $b$  and  $a$ , so it must therefore be true that  $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$ .

**Problem 2a:** Prove that  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$  imply  $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$ .

Suppose that  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$ . From the definition of modular congruence, we know that  $(a - b)$  is a multiple of  $n$ , and  $(b - c)$  is a multiple of  $n$ . So,  $a - b = kn$  and  $b - c = rn$ , where  $k, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Adding these equations together, we get  $(a - b) + (b - c) = kn + rn$ , which simplifies to  $a - c = n(k + r)$ . From this, we see that  $a - c$  is an integer multiple of  $n$ , so it must be true that  $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$ .

**Problem 2a:** Using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm, find the multiplicative inverse of 1234 mod 4321.

$$4321 = 3(1234) + 619$$

$$1234 = 1(619) + 615$$

$$619 = 1(615) + 4$$

$$615 = 153(4) + 3$$

$$4 = 1(3) + 1$$

$$3 = 3(1) + 0$$

So, the greatest common divisor of 1234 and 4321 is 1. The multiplicative inverse of 1234 must therefore exist.

$$1 = 4 - 3$$

$$1 = 4 - (615 - 153(4))$$

$$1 = 154(4) - 615$$

$$1 = 154(619 - 615) - 615$$

$$1 = 154(619) - 154(615) - 615$$

$$1 = 154(619) - 155(615)$$

$$1 = 1 = 154(619) - 155(1234 - 619)$$

$$1 = 154(619) - 155(1234) + 155(619)$$

$$1 = 309(619) - 155(1234)$$

$$1 = 309(4321 - 3(1234)) - 155(1234)$$

$$1 = 309(4321) - 927(1234) - 155(1234)$$

$$1 = 309(4321) - 1082(1234)$$

$$-309(4321) + 1 = -1082(1234)$$

From this, we see that  $-1082(1234)$  is equal to a multiple of 4321 plus one, so  $x = -1082$  satisfies  $1234x \equiv 1 \pmod{4321}$ . Therefore, -1082 is the multiplicative inverse of 1234 mod 4321.

**Problem 2b:** Using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm, find the multiplicative inverse of 24140 mod 40902.

$$40902 = 1(24140) + 16762$$

$$24140 = 1(16762) + 7378$$

$$16762 = 2(7378) + 2006$$

$$7378 = 3(2006) + 1360$$

$$2006 = 1(1360) + 646$$

$$1360 = 2(646) + 68$$

$$646 = 9(68) + 34$$

$$68 = 2(34) + 0$$

Because 40902 and 24140 have a GCD 34, 24140 has no multiplicative inverse mod 40902.

**Problem 2a:** Using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm, find the multiplicative inverse of 550 mod 1769.

$$1796 = 3(550) + 119$$

$$550 = 4(119) + 74$$

$$119 = 1(74) + 45$$

$$74 = 1(45) + 29$$

$$45 = 1(29) + 13$$

$$16 = 1(13) + 3$$

$$13 = 4(3) + 1$$

$$3 = 3(1) + 0$$

The greatest common divisor of 1769 and 550 is 1, so the multiplicative inverse of 550 mod 1769 must exist.

$$1 = 13 - 4(3)$$

$$1 = 13 - 4(16 - 13)$$

$$1 = 5(13) - 4(16)$$

$$1 = 5(29 - 16) - 4(16)$$

$$1 = 5(29) - 9(16)$$

$$1 = 5(29) - 9(45 - 29)$$

$$1 = 14(29) - 9(45)$$

$$1 = 14(74 - 45) - 9(45)$$

$$1 = 14(74) - 23(45)$$

$$1 = 14(74) - 23(119 - 74)$$

$$1 = 37(74) - 23(119)$$

$$1 = 37(550 - 4(119)) - 23(119)$$

$$1 = 37(550) - 171(119)$$

$$1 = 37(550) - 171(1769 - 3(550))$$

$$1 = 550(550) - 171(1769)$$

$$171(1769) + 1 = 550(550)$$

Because  $550(550)$  is equal to a multiple of 1769 plus one, we know that  $x = 550$  satisfies  $550x \equiv 1 \pmod{1769}$ . Therefore, 550 is the multiplicative inverse of 550 mod 1796.

**Problem 3:** Determine which of the following are reducible over  $\text{GF}(2)$ :

- a.  $x^3 + 1$
- b.  $x^3 + x^2 + 1$
- c.  $x^4 + 1$

$x^3 + 1$  is reducible over  $\text{GF}(2)$  because  $x^3 + 1 = (x + 1)(x^2 + x + 1) \pmod{2}$ .

$x^3 + x^2 + 1$  is not reducible over  $\text{GF}(2)$ .

$x^4 + 1$  is reducible over  $\text{GF}(2)$  because  $x^4 + 1 = (x + 1)^4 \pmod{2}$ .

Polynomials **a** and **c** are reducible over  $\text{GF}(2)$ .

**Problem 4:** Determine the GCD of the following pair of polynomials:

- a.  $x^3 - x + 1$  and  $x^2 + 1$  over  $\text{GF}(2)$
- b.  $x^5 + x^4 + x^3 - x^2 - x + 1$  and  $x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$  over  $\text{GF}(3)$

a.  $\text{GCD}(x^3 - x + 1, x^2 + 1) = 1$

b.  $\text{GCD}(x^5 + x^4 + x^3 - x^2 - x + 1, x^3 + x^2 + x + 1) = (x + 1)$

**Problem 5:** For a cryptosystem P,K,C,E,D where:

P = {a, b, c} with:

$$PP(a) = 1/4$$

$$PP(b) = 1/4$$

$$PP(c) = 1/2$$

K = {K1, K2, K3} with:

$$PK(K1) = 1/2$$

$$PK(K2) = 1/4$$

$$PK(K3) = 1/4$$

C = {1, 2, 3, 4}

$$e_{k_1}(a) = 1 \quad e_{k_1}(b) = 2 \quad e_{k_1}(c) = 1$$

$$e_{k_2}(a) = 2 \quad e_{k_2}(b) = 3 \quad e_{k_2}(c) = 1$$

$$e_{k_3}(a) = 3 \quad e_{k_3}(b) = 2 \quad e_{k_3}(c) = 4$$

We know that  $H(K|C) = -\sum_{k \in K, c \in C} p(c)p(k|c)\log_2 p(k|c)$ . In order to compute this, we first need to compute the values of  $p(c)$  for all  $c \in C$  and the value of  $p(k|c)$  for all key/ciphertext pairs. Begin by finding the values of  $p(c)$ :

$$p(1) = P_k(k_1) \cdot P_p(a) + P_k(k_1) \cdot P_p(c) + P_k(k_2) \cdot P_p(c) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p(2) = P_k(k_1) \cdot P_p(b) + P_k(k_2) \cdot P_p(a) + P_k(k_3) \cdot P_p(a) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p(3) = P_k(k_2) \cdot P_p(b) + P_k(k_3) \cdot P_p(a) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$p(4) = P_k(k_3) \cdot P_p(c) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{8}$$

Now that we have values for all  $p(c)$ , the values of all  $p(k|c)$  must be computed. By Bayes' rule,  $p(k|c) = p(c|k)\frac{p(k)}{p(c)}$ , where  $p(c|k) = \sum_{\{x|e_k(x)=c\}} P_p(x)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
p(k_1|1) &= p(1|k_1) \frac{p(k_1)}{p(1)} = \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{1/2}{1/2} = \frac{3}{4} \\
p(k_1|2) &= p(2|k_1) \frac{p(k_1)}{p(2)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1/4}{1/4} = \frac{1}{2} \\
p(k_1|3) &= p(3|k_1) \frac{p(k_1)}{p(3)} = 0 \\
p(k_1|4) &= p(4|k_1) \frac{p(k_1)}{p(4)} = 0 \\
p(k_2|1) &= p(1|k_2) \frac{p(k_2)}{p(1)} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1/4}{1/2} = \frac{1}{4} \\
p(k_2|2) &= p(2|k_2) \frac{p(k_2)}{p(2)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1/4}{1/4} = \frac{1}{4} \\
p(k_2|3) &= p(3|k_2) \frac{p(k_2)}{p(3)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1/4}{1/8} = \frac{1}{2} \\
p(k_2|4) &= p(4|k_2) \frac{p(k_2)}{p(4)} = 0 \\
p(k_3|1) &= p(1|k_3) \frac{p(k_3)}{p(1)} = 0 \\
p(k_3|2) &= p(2|k_3) \frac{p(k_3)}{p(2)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1/4}{1/4} = \frac{1}{4} \\
p(k_3|3) &= p(3|k_3) \frac{p(k_3)}{p(3)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1/4}{1/8} = \frac{1}{2} \\
p(k_3|4) &= p(4|k_3) \frac{p(k_3)}{p(4)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1/4}{1/8} = \frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we can use these values to compute the conditional entropy  $H(K|C)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
H(K|C) &= - \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^4 p(c_j) p(k_i|c_j) \log_2 p(k_i|c_j) \\
H(K|C) &= \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{4} \log_2 \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{1}{2} \right) + \right. \\
&\quad \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{4} \log_2 \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \log_2 \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{1}{2} \right) + \\
&\quad \left. \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{1}{4} \log_2 \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \\
H(K|C) &\approx - [0.5(-0.811) + 0.25(-1.5) + 0.125(-1.5)] \\
H(K|C) &\approx 0.968
\end{aligned}$$