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1)

a)

Suppose $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$.

Thus, for some integer k , $a = kn + b$.

Therefore, $b = -kn + a$, so $b \equiv (-k)n + a$.

Since $-k$ is an integer, $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$.

Thus, $a \equiv b \pmod{n} \implies b \equiv a \pmod{n}$.

b)

Suppose $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ and $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$.

Thus, for some integers k_1 and k_2 , $a = k_1n + b$ and $b = k_2n + c$.

Therefore, $a = k_1n + (k_2n + c) = k_1n + k_2n + c = (k_1 + k_2)n + c$.

Since $k_1 + k_2$ is an integer, $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$.

Thus, $(a \equiv b \pmod{n} \text{ and } b \equiv c \pmod{n}) \implies a \equiv c \pmod{n}$.

2)

a)

$$x_0 = 1, y_0 = 0$$

$$m = 4321, n = 1234$$

$$x_1 = 0, y_1 = 1$$

$$m = 1234, n = 619, q = 3$$

$$x_2 = 1, y_2 = -3$$

$$m = 619, n = 615, q = 1$$

$$x_3 = -1, y_3 = 4$$

$$m = 615, n = 4, q = 1$$

$$x_4 = 2, y_4 = -7$$

$$m = 4, n = 3, q = 1$$

$$x_5 = -307, y_5 = 1075$$

$$m = 3, n = 1, q = 1$$

$$x_6 = 309, y_6 = -1082$$

$$m = 1, n = 0, q = 3$$

Thus, $1234^{-1} \equiv -1082 \pmod{4321}$,

so $1234^{-1} \equiv 3239 \pmod{4321}$.

b)

They clearly at least share a factor of 2, so $\gcd(40902, 24140) \neq 1$, so the multiplicative inverse does not exist.

Extended euclidean algorithm anyways:

$$x_0 = 1, y_0 = 0$$

$$m = 40902, n = 24140$$

$$x_1 = 0, y_1 = 1$$

$$m = 24140, n = 16762, q = 1$$

$$x_2 = 1, y_2 = -1$$

$$m = 16762, n = 7378, q = 1$$

$$x_3 = -1, y_3 = 2$$

$$m = 7378, n = 2006, q = 2$$

$$x_4 = 3, y_4 = -5$$

$$m = 2006, n = 1360, q = 3$$

$$x_5 = -10, y_5 = 17$$

$$m = 1360, n = 646, q = 1$$

$$x_6 = 13, y_6 = -22$$

$$m = 646, n = 68, q = 2$$

$$x_7 = -36, y_7 = 61$$

$$m = 68, n = 34, q = 9$$

$$x_8 = 337, y_8 = -571$$

$$m = 34, n = 0, q = 2$$

Thus, we can see that $\gcd(40902, 24140) = 34$,
so -571 is not the multiplicative inverse of 24140 ,
rather $(-571 \times 24140) \equiv 34 \pmod{40902}$.

c)

$$x_0 = 1, y_0 = 0$$

$$m = 1769, n = 550$$

$$x_1 = 0, y_1 = 1$$

$$m = 550, n = 119, q = 3$$

$$x_2 = 1, y_2 = -3$$

$$m = 119, n = 74, q = 4$$

$$x_3 = -4, y_3 = 13$$

$$m = 74, n = 45, q = 1$$

$$x_4 = 5, y_4 = -16$$

$$m = 45, n = 29, q = 1$$

$$x_5 = -9, y_5 = 29$$

$$m = 29, n = 16, q = 1$$

$$x_6 = 14, y_6 = -45$$

$$m = 16, n = 13, q = 1$$

$$x_7 = -23, y_7 = 74$$

$$m = 13, n = 3, q = 1$$

$$x_8 = 37, y_8 = -119$$

$$m = 3, n = 1, q = 4$$

$$x_9 = -171, y_9 = 550$$

$$m = 1, n = 0, q = 3$$

Thus, $550^{-1} \equiv 550 \pmod{1769}$.

3)

a)

$x^3 + 1$ can be factored into $(x + 1)(x^2 - x + 1) \equiv (x + 1)(x^2 + x + 1) \pmod{2}$,
so $x^3 + 1$ is reducible over $\text{GF}(2)$.

b)

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

c)

$(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 1) \equiv x^4 + 2x^2 + 1 \equiv x^4 + 1 \pmod{2}$,
so $x^4 + 1$ is reducible over $\text{GF}(2)$.

4)

a)

After long division of $x^3 - x + 1$ by $x^2 + 1$ in $\text{GF}(2)$,
 $x^3 - x + 1 \equiv x(x^2 + 1) + 1 \pmod{2}$.
Then, after long division of $x^2 + 1$ by 1 in $\text{GF}(2)$,
 $x^2 + 1 = 1(x^2 + 1) + 0 \pmod{2}$.
Thus, the gcd of $x^3 - x + 1$ and $x^2 + 1$ is 1 in $\text{GF}(2)$.

b)

After long division of $x^5 + x^4 + x^3 - x^2 - x + 1$ by $x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$ in $\text{GF}(3)$,
 $x^5 + x^4 + x^3 - x^2 - x + 1 \equiv x^2(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1) - 2x^2 - x + 1 \pmod{3}$.
Then, after long division of $x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$ by $-2x^2 - x + 1$ in $\text{GF}(3)$,
 $x^3 + x^2 + x + 1 \equiv (-2x + 2)(-2x^2 - x + 1) + 2x - 1 \pmod{3}$.
Then, after long division of $-2x^2 - x + 1$ by $2x - 1$ in $\text{GF}(3)$,
 $-2x^2 - x + 1 \equiv (-x - 1)(2x - 1) + 0 \pmod{3}$.
Thus, the gcd of $x^5 + x^4 + x^3 - x^2 - x + 1$ and $x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$ is $-x - 1$ in $\text{GF}(3)$.

5)

The key and the ciphertext do not determine the plaintext uniquely, so we compute $H(K|C)$ using the formula

$$H(X|Y) = - \sum_x \sum_y p(y) \cdot p(x|y) \log_2 p(x|y)$$

$$p(c = 1) = \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p(c = 2) = \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p(c = 3) = \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$p(c = 4) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$p(k_1|c = 1) = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$p(k_2|c = 1) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p(k_3|c = 1) = 0$$

$$p(k_1|c = 2) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p(k_2|c = 2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p(k_3|c = 2) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p(k_1|c = 3) = 0$$

$$p(k_2|c = 3) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p(k_3|c = 3) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p(k_1|c = 4) = 0$$

$$p(k_2|c = 4) = 0$$

$$p(k_3|c = 4) = 1$$

so, we can compute as:

$$\begin{aligned} H(K|C) &= -\left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right) \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{8} (1 \log_2 (1))\right) \\ &\approx 0.9056 \end{aligned}$$

$$H(K|C) \approx 0.9056$$