

Q1 · Answer: (LT-21046)

Proof of Fermat's Little Theorem:

Fermat's Little theorem states that if p is a prime number and a is an integer not divisible by p , then:

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

Proof: Consider that the set $S = \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$.

Multiply each element by a modulo p to get S' .

$$S' = \{a \cdot 1 \pmod{p}, a \cdot 2 \pmod{p}, \dots, a \cdot (p-1) \pmod{p}\}$$

Since a and p are coprime, the elements of S' are distinct and nonzero, hence a permutation of S .

Taking the product of all elements in S and S' :

$$(a \cdot 1)(a \cdot 2) \cdots (a \cdot (p-1)) \equiv 1 \cdot 2 \cdots (p-1) \pmod{p}$$

$$a^{p-1} (p-1)! \equiv (p-1)! \pmod{p}$$

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Since $(p-1)$ and p are coprime, we can cancel

$$(p-1)! : a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

Computation for $a=7, p=13$:

By Fermat's Little Theorem:

$$7^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$$

Usefulness in RSA: Fermat's Little Theorem is used in RSA to ensure that for a prime p and an integer e coprime to $p-1$, the decryption exponent d can be found such that $e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)}$.

This guarantees that $(me)^d \equiv m \pmod{p}$,

enabling secure encryption and decryption.

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Q 2 : Ans : Computation :

$\phi(35) : 35 = 5 \times 7$, so $\phi(35) = (5-1)(7-1) = 24$

$\phi(45) : 45 = 3^2 \times 5$, so $\phi(45) = 45 \times (1 - \frac{1}{3}) \times (1 - \frac{1}{5}) = 24$

$\phi(100) : 100 = 2^2 \times 5^2$, so $\phi(100) = 100 \times (1 - \frac{1}{2}) \times (1 - \frac{1}{5}) = 40$

proof of Euler's Theorem :

If a and n are coprime, then : $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

The proof is analogous to Fermat's Little Theorem,
using multiplicative group of integers modulo n .

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Q3: Ans:

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$\text{Let } N = 60 = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5$$

using CRT:

$$\text{Let } N_1 = 60/3 = 20, m_1 = 2 \text{ (since } 20 \cdot 2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}\text{)}$$

$$N_2 = 15, m_2 = 3$$

$$N_3 = 12, m_3 = 3$$

$$x = (2)(20)(2) + (3)(15)(3) + (1)(12)(3)$$

$$= 80 + 135 + 36$$

$$= 251$$

$$x \equiv 251 \pmod{60} = 11$$

$$\therefore x \equiv 11 \pmod{60}$$

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Q3 Ans:

A Carmichael number satisfies $a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

for all a coprime to n but is not prime.

→ $561 = 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 17$ - all primes

→ Passes Fermat's test for small a values: Yes

∴ 561 is a Carmichael number.

Q5: Ans: We need g such that $g^k \pmod{17}$ gives

all 1 to 16. try $g = 3$

$$3^1 = 3, 3^2 = 9, 3^3 = 10, \therefore 3^{16} \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

∴ 3 is a generator modulo 17.

Q6 : Ans :

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$$3^x \equiv 13 \pmod{17}$$

successive powers:

$$3^1 = 3$$

$$3^2 = 9$$

$$3^4 = 81 \pmod{17} = 13$$

$$\therefore x = 4$$

Q7 : Ans :

→ The security of Diffie-Hellman relies on the hardness of the DLP. Two parties exchange public keys $g^a \pmod{p}$ and $g^b \pmod{p}$, and compute the shared secret $g^{ab} \pmod{p}$. An attacker can't compute g^{ab} without solving the DLP for either a or b .

Q8) Ans: (IT-21046)

Substitution Cipher: Replaces each letter with another. Key space: $26!$. Vulnerable to frequency analysis.

Transposition Cipher: Rearranges letters. Key space depends on block size. Vulnerable to anagramming.

Playfair Cipher: Encrypts digraph using 5×5

Key matrix. Key space $25!$.

Resists single letter frequency analysis.

Example: Plaintext "HELLO"

Substitution: Replace $H \rightarrow K, E \rightarrow Q, L \rightarrow W, O \rightarrow R \rightarrow KQWWR$

Transposition: Reverses $\rightarrow "OLLEH"$

Playfair: "HE" \rightarrow "DM", "LL" \rightarrow "QR", "O" \rightarrow "X" \rightarrow "DMQRX"

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Q9 : Ans: Given $E(x) = (5x+8) \bmod 26$:

⇒ Encryption "Dept. of ICT, MBSTV"

convert to numbers ($A=0, \dots, Z=25$):

$D=3, E=4, \dots, U=20$

Encrypt each : $E(3) = 23, E(4) = 28 \bmod 26 = 2$ etc.

~~Ciphertext : "XW..."~~

Encrypted letters : X, C, F, Z, A, H, W, S, Z, Ø, N, U, Z, E

∴ ciphertext : XCFZAHWSZØNUZE (Encrypted)

Decryption function : $D(y) = 21 \cdot (y-8) \bmod 26$

∴ Decrypted plaintext : "Dept of ICT, MBSTV"

Q10 : Ans: (IT-21046)

Cipher: Combine Caesar shift (shift by K) and columnar transposition.

Encryption: shift letters by K , then write in rows and read columns.

Decryption: Reverse transposition, then reverse shift.

Vulnerabilities: Known plain-text attacks can reveal K and transposition pattern.

Frequency analysis may still apply.

Example: Plaintext: "HELLO", $K=3$

→ shift "KH00R"

→ Transpose (2 column) KH00R ~~read~~

read column: "KH00R".

Ciphertext: "KH00R".