My cryptography book

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Basic number theory

Definition 1.0.1. Let $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then we say that m divides n, and we write $m \mid n$, if there is some $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that mx = n, i.e.,

$$\exists x \in \mathbb{Z} \cdot [mx = n]$$

Proposition 1.0.1. Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$.

- (a) Then $1 \mid a$.
- (b) If $a \neq 0$, then $a \mid 0$.
- (c) (Reflexive) If $a \neq 0$, then $a \mid a$.
- (d) If $a \mid b$ and $b \mid a$, then $a = \pm b$.
- (d) (Transitive) If $a \mid b$ and $b \mid c$, then $a \mid c$.

Classical ciphers

2.1 Shift cipher

Definition 2.1.1. The **shift cipher** (E, D) is given by

$$E(k, x) = x + k \pmod{26}$$

and

$$D(k, x) = x - k \pmod{26}$$

Historically the shift cipher with key k=3 was used by Julius Caesar and is called the **Caesar cipher**.

2.2 Affine cipher

2.3 Vigenère cipher

2.4 Substitution cipher

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2.6 Hill cipher

2.7 One-time pad cipher

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Group theory

3.1 Definitions

The most basic mathematical object is \mathbb{Z} . \mathbb{Z} has two operations: addition and multiplication. We first abstract the study of \mathbb{Z} by focusing on just one operation, the +.

Definition 3.1.1. (G, *, e) is a **group** if G is a set and * satisfies

group

- (C) If $x, y \in G$, then $x * y \in G$. In other words $*: G \times G \to G$ is a binary operator.
- (A) If $x, y, z \in G$, then (x * y) * z = x * (y * z).
- (I) If $x \in G$, then there is some $y \in G$ such that x * y = e = y * x. y is called an **inverse** of x. Later we will see that the inverse of x is uniquely determined by x.
- (N) If $x \in G$, then x * e = x = e * x.

Definition 3.1.2. (G, *, e) is an **abelian group** if (G, *, e) is a group such that if $x, y \in G$, then x * y = y * x. In other words, (G, *, e) is an abelian group if (G, *, e) is group and * is a commutative operator.

abelian group

The reason for now including the commutativity condition for groups is because there are many important groups which are not abelian.

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