

Homework 9 in Cryptography I

- Proposal for Solution -

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Solution to Exercise 27.

Let $\varphi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ the Euler φ -function, i.e., $\varphi(n) = |\mathbb{Z}_n^*|$ with $\mathbb{Z}_n^* = \{a \in \mathbb{Z}_n \mid \gcd(a, n) = 1\}$.

- (a) Let $n = p$ be prime. It follows
 $\mathbb{Z}_p^* = \{a \in \mathbb{Z}_p \mid \gcd(a, p) = 1\} = \{1, 2, \dots, p - 1\} \Rightarrow \varphi(p) = p - 1$.
- (b) Let $n = p^k$ for a prime p and $k \in \mathbb{N}$. For $1 \leq a \leq p^k$ it holds
- 1) $p \nmid a \Rightarrow \gcd(a, p^k) = 1$, and
 - 2) $p \mid a \Rightarrow \gcd(a, p^k) \geq p$.

It follows $\mathbb{Z}_{p^k}^* = \underbrace{\{1 \leq a \leq p^k\}}_{p^k \text{ elements}} \setminus \underbrace{\{1 \leq a \leq p^k \mid p \mid a\}}_{p^{k-1} \text{ elements}}$. Consequently, it holds
 $\varphi(p^k) = p^k - p^{k-1} = p^{k-1}(p - 1)$.

- (c) Let $n = pq$ for two primes $p \neq q$. It holds
- 1) $p \mid a \vee q \mid a \Rightarrow \gcd(a, pq) > 1$, and
 - 2) $p \nmid a \wedge q \nmid a \Rightarrow \gcd(a, pq) = 1$.

It follows

$$\mathbb{Z}_{pq}^* = \underbrace{\{1 \leq a \leq pq - 1\}}_{pq-1 \text{ elements}} \setminus \left[\underbrace{\{1 \leq a \leq pq - 1 \mid p \mid a\}}_{q-1 \text{ elements}} \cup \underbrace{\{1 \leq a \leq pq - 1 \mid q \mid a\}}_{p-1 \text{ elements}} \right].$$

Consequently,
 $\varphi(pq) = pq - 1 - (q - 1 - p - 1) = pq - p - q + 1 = (p - 1)(q - 1) = \varphi(p) \varphi(q)$.

- (d) $\varphi(4913) = \varphi(17^3) \stackrel{(b)}{=} 17^2(17 - 1) = 4624$ and
 $\varphi(899) = \varphi(30^2 - 1^2) = \varphi((30 - 1)(30 + 1)) = \varphi(29 \cdot 31) \stackrel{(c)}{=} 28 \cdot 30 = 840$.

Solution to Exercise 28.

- (a) By the Miller-Rabin Primality Test it will be proven that 341 is composite.
Write $n = 341 = 1 + 85 \cdot 2^2 = 1 + q \cdot 2^k$.

Algorithm 1 Miller-Rabin Primality Test (MRPT)

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Write  $n = 1 + q2^k$ ,  $q$  odd
Choose  $a \in \{2, \dots, n - 1\}$  uniformly distributed at random
 $y \leftarrow a^q \pmod n$ 
if  $(y = 1)$  OR  $(y = n - 1)$  then
    return „ $n$  prime“
end if
for  $(i \leftarrow 1; i < k; i++)$  do
     $y \leftarrow y^2 \pmod n$ 
    if  $(y = n - 1)$  then
        return „ $n$  prime“
    end if
end for
return „ $n$  composite“

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Choose $a = 2$.

Calculate $a^q \pmod n$, i.e., $2^{85} \pmod{341}$.

Note that $2^{10} = 1024 = 3 \cdot 341 + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{341}$.

It follows $2^{85} = \underbrace{(2^{10})^8}_{\equiv 1} \cdot \underbrace{2^5}_{=32} \equiv 32 \pmod{341}$.

Alternatively, $2^{85} \pmod{341}$ is calculated by Square and Multiply, see below. As

$y = 32 \notin \{1, n - 1\}$ the for-loop starts with $i = 1$.

$y^2 = 32^2 = (2^5)^2 = 2^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{341}$, see above.

Furthermore, $y = 1 \neq 340 \pmod{341}$.

As $i = 2 = k = 2$ the for-loop terminates and n is stated as composite, which is a reliable result.

- (b) A number n is decomposed according to MRPT as $n = 1 + q2^k$. It follows that MRPT has at most k squarings. The worst case occurs, if $q = 1$, then

$n = 1 + 2^k \Leftrightarrow k = \log_2(n - 1)$. With n having 300 digits it follows:

$$n < 10^{301} = \underbrace{(10^3)^{100}}_{< 2^{10}} \cdot \underbrace{10}_{< 2^4} < 2^{1004} \Rightarrow k \leq 1004.$$

Consequently, less than 1004 squarings are needed. ($k \approx 999.9$)

Note, evaluating $a^q \pmod n$ with Square and Multiply takes t squarings. But as $2^t \leq q$ holds, the worst case is reached, for equality which means $t = 0$, i.e., $q = 1$, as otherwise q would be not odd.

Determining $2^{85} \pmod{341}$ by Square and Multiply.
 It holds $a = 2$, $x = 85 = (1010101)_2$, i.e., $t = 6$.

Algorithm 2 Square and multiply

Require: $x = (x_t, \dots, x_0) \in \mathbb{N}$, $a \in \mathbb{N}$

Ensure: $a^x \pmod{n}$

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1:  $y \leftarrow a$ 
2: for ( $i = t - 1, i \geq 0, i--$ ) do
3:    $y \leftarrow y^2 \pmod{n}$ 
4:   if ( $x_i = 1$ ) then
5:      $y \leftarrow y \cdot a \pmod{n}$ 
6:   end if
7: end for
8: return  $y$ 

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The following tabular denotes the evaluation of the Square and Multiply algorithm. The table is initialized in the first line with $i = t = 6$ and $y = 1$. There are $t + 1$ lines numbered from t down to 0. The binary representation of $x = (x_t \dots x_0)$ is given in column two. Using those values the columns four and five are evaluated row by row. For each row the y value is taken from the last column of the row above. The final value in the fifth column is the result of $a^x \pmod{n}$.

i	x_i	y	$y^2 \pmod{n}$	$y^2(1 + x_i \cdot (a - 1)) \pmod{n}$
6	1	1	1	2
5	0	2	4	4
4	1	4	16	32
3	0	32	$1024 \equiv 1 \pmod{341}$	1
2	1	1	1	2
1	0	2	4	4
0	1	4	16	32

The solution is $2^{85} \equiv 32 \pmod{341}$.