

# Review Exercise in Cryptography

## - Proposed Solution -

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### Solution of Problem 1

- a) With  $n = 20$  and the frequency analysis:

$\ell$	C	D	E	F	G	K	O	P	T	W	X	Z
$N_\ell$	3	2	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	3

we can calculate the index of coincidence for  $\tilde{c}$ :

$$I_{\tilde{c}} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{25} \frac{N_\ell(N_\ell - 1)}{n(n-1)} = \frac{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{20 \cdot 19} = \frac{18 + 4}{380} = \frac{22}{380} = \frac{11}{190} \approx 0.0579. \quad (2P)$$

- b) With  $gcd(13, 2) = 1$ , 13 prime and 2 prime:

$$|\mathbb{Z}_{26}^*| = \varphi(26) = \varphi(13 \cdot 2) = \varphi(13) \cdot \varphi(2) = (13 - 1) \cdot (2 - 1) = 12 \quad (2P)$$

- c) Exclude all numbers that, without remainder, divide prime factors of  $26 = 13 \cdot 2$ , i.e., exclude all even numbers, and also 13:

$$|\mathbb{Z}_{26}^*| = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25\} \quad (1P)$$

The inverses are:

$$1^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$

$$3^{-1} \equiv 9 \pmod{26}, \text{ since } 3 \cdot 9 \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$

$$5^{-1} \equiv 21 \pmod{26}, \text{ since } 5 \cdot (-5) \equiv -25 \equiv -1 \pmod{26}$$

$$7^{-1} \equiv 15 \pmod{26}, \text{ by hint}$$

$$9^{-1} \equiv 3 \pmod{26}, \text{ by symmetry}$$

$$11^{-1} \equiv 19 \pmod{26}, \text{ by hint}$$

$$15^{-1} \equiv 7 \pmod{26}, \text{ by symmetry}$$

$$17^{-1} \equiv 23 \pmod{26}, \text{ by hint}$$

$$19^{-1} \equiv 11 \pmod{26}, \text{ by symmetry}$$

$$21^{-1} \equiv 5 \pmod{26}, \text{ by symmetry}$$

$$23^{-1} \equiv 17 \pmod{26}, \text{ by symmetry}$$

$$25^{-1} \equiv 25 \pmod{26}, \text{ since } 25 \equiv -1 \pmod{26} \text{ and } (-1) \cdot (-1) \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$

$$3^{-1}, 1^{-1}, 5^{-1}, 25^{-1} \quad (3P)$$

$$9^{-1}, 21^{-1}, 7^{-1}, 11^{-1}, 17^{-1}, 23^{-1}, 19^{-1}, 15^{-1} \quad (2P)$$

d)  $\mathbf{U}$  is invertible in  $\mathbb{Z}_{26}$  if  $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}^{-1} \equiv \mathbf{I} \pmod{26}$ .

It holds that  $\det(\mathbf{I}) = \det(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}^{-1}) \equiv \det(\mathbf{U}) \cdot \det(\mathbf{U}^{-1}) \equiv 1$ .

Let  $\det(\mathbf{U}) = a \pmod{26} \Rightarrow \det(\mathbf{U}^{-1}) = a^{-1} \pmod{26}$ .

The inverse  $a^{-1}$  exists only if  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}^*$ . (3P)

*Alternative solution:*

In  $\mathbb{Z}_{26}$ , a unique inverse

$$\mathbf{U}^{-1} \equiv \det(\mathbf{U})^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} u_{22} & -u_{12} \\ -u_{21} & u_{11} \end{pmatrix} \pmod{26}$$

only exists, if  $\det(\mathbf{U})^{-1}$  is invertible mod 26, i.e., if  $\det(\mathbf{U})^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}^*$ .

e)  $d(\mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{m} = \mathbf{U}^{-1}(\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{a})$  (1P)

f)  $\det(\mathbf{U}) = 5 \cdot 7 - 4 \cdot 13 = -17 \equiv 9, 9 \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}^* \Rightarrow \mathbf{U}^{-1} \pmod{26}$  exists. (1P)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{U}^{-1} &= \det(\mathbf{U})^{-1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} u_{22} & -u_{12} \\ -u_{21} & u_{11} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 9^{-1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -4 \\ -13 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\stackrel{(c)}{\equiv} 3 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 22 \\ 13 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 66 \\ 39 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\equiv \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 14 \\ 13 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{26} \quad \text{(3P)} \end{aligned}$$

*An alternative solution via Gauss elimination:*

$$\begin{array}{cc|cc|c} 5 & 4 & 1 & 0 & | \cdot 21 \\ 13 & 7 & 0 & 1 & \\ \hline 1 & 6 & 21 & 0 & | \cdot (-13) \\ 13 & 7 & 0 & 1 & \\ \hline -13 & 0 & -13 & 0 & \downarrow (+) \\ 13 & 7 & 0 & 1 & \\ \hline 1 & 6 & 21 & 0 & \\ 0 & 7 & -13 & 1 & | \cdot (-5) \\ \hline 1 & 6 & 21 & 0 & \\ 0 & -1 & 13 & -15 & | \cdot 6 \uparrow (+) \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 21 & 14 & \\ 0 & 1 & 13 & 15 & \end{array}$$

// Validity check:

$$\mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}^{-1} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 13 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 14 \\ 13 & 15 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 157 & 130 \\ 364 & 287 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \mathbf{I} \pmod{26} \checkmark$$

g)

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{U}^{-1}(\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{a}) \mod 26$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 14 \\ 13 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 - 11 \\ 2 - 18 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 539 \\ 397 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 19 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \mod 26 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} T \\ H \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 14 \\ 13 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 19 - 11 \\ 10 - 18 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 420 \\ 374 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} \mod 26 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} E \\ K \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 14 \\ 13 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 23 - 4 \\ 4 - 18 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 420 \\ 336 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix} \mod 26 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} E \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \quad (3P) \end{aligned}$$

// Just for the sake of completeness, we provide the rest of the plaintext:

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## Solution of Problem 2

a)

$$\begin{aligned} P(K_1 \oplus K_2 = 0) &= P(K_1 = 0) \cdot P(K_2 = 0) + P(K_1 = 1) \cdot P(K_2 = 1) \\ &= q \cdot r + (1 - q) \cdot (1 - r) \\ &= 1 - q - r + 2qr \\ &= s. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(K_1 \oplus K_2 = 1) &= P(K_1 = 0) \cdot P(K_2 = 1) + P(K_1 = 1) \cdot P(K_2 = 0) \\ &= q \cdot (1 - r) + (1 - q) \cdot r \\ &= q + r - 2qr \\ &= 1 - s. \quad (4P) \end{aligned}$$

b)  $K_1 \oplus K_2 = K$

$$P(C) = P(M \oplus K_1 \oplus K_2) = P(M \oplus K)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(C = 0) &= P(M \oplus K = 0) = P(M = 0) \cdot P(K = 0) + P(M = 1) \cdot P(K = 1) \\ &= p \cdot s + (1 - p) \cdot (1 - s) \\ &= p + q + r - 2qr - 2pq - 2pr + 4pqr. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(C = 1) &= P(M \oplus K = 1) = P(M = 0) \cdot P(K = 1) + P(M = 1) \cdot P(K = 0) \\ &= p \cdot (1 - s) + (1 - p) \cdot s \\ &= 1 - p - q - r + 2qr + 2pq + 2pr - 4pqr. \quad (\mathbf{4P}) \end{aligned}$$

c) Perfect secrecy  $\Leftrightarrow H(M | C) = H(M)$

$$\begin{aligned} r = \frac{1}{2} &\Rightarrow P(K = 0) = 1 - q - \frac{1}{2} + 2q\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \\ r = \frac{1}{2} &\Rightarrow P(K = 1) = \frac{1}{2} + q - 2q\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \\ \Rightarrow H(K) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r = \frac{1}{2} &\Rightarrow P(C = 0) = p + q + \frac{1}{2} - 2q\frac{1}{2} - 2pq - 2p\frac{1}{2} + 4pq\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \\ r = \frac{1}{2} &\Rightarrow P(C = 1) = 1 - p - q - \frac{1}{2} + 2q\frac{1}{2} + 2pq + 2p\frac{1}{2} - 4pq\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \\ \Rightarrow H(C) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(M | C) &= H(M, C) - H(C) \\ &= H(C | M) + H(M) - H(C) \\ &= H((M \oplus K) | M) + H(M) - H(C) \\ &= H(K) + H(M) - H(C) \\ &= H(M). \quad (\mathbf{5P}) \end{aligned}$$

d)  $H(M | C) = H(K) + H(M) - H(C)$

$$\begin{aligned} p = \frac{1}{2} &\Rightarrow H(M) = 1 \\ r = \frac{1}{2} &\Rightarrow H(K) = H(C) = 1 \\ \Rightarrow H(M | C) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(K_1 | C) &= H(K_1, C) - H(C) \\ &= H(C | K_1) + H(K_1) - H(C) \\ &= H((M \oplus K_1 \oplus K_2) | K_1) + H(K_1) - H(C) \\ &= H(M \oplus K_2) + H(K_1) - H(C). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p = \frac{1}{2} &\Rightarrow H(M \oplus K_2) = 1 \\ r = \frac{1}{2} &\Rightarrow H(K) = H(C) = 1 \\ \Rightarrow H(K_1 | C) &= H(K_1) < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(K_1 | C) < H(M | C). \quad (\mathbf{4P})$$

## Solution of Problem 3

The given AES-128 round key is denoted in hexadecimal representation:

$$K_0 = (B8 \ 2E \ E1 \ 22 \ | \ 53 \ 1C \ 2D \ 94 \ | \ 82 \ 1A \ C7 \ 55 \ | \ BC \ BC \ 58 \ 58)$$

- The round key is  $K_0 = K = (W_0 \ W_1 \ W_2 \ W_3)$  with  $W_0 = (B8 \ 2E \ E1 \ 22)$ ,  $W_1 = (53 \ 1C \ 2D \ 94)$ ,  $W_2 = (82 \ 1A \ C7 \ 55)$ ,  $W_3 = (BC \ BC \ 58 \ 58)$ .
- To calculate  $W_4$  and  $W_5$  (the first 8 bytes of round key  $K_1$ ) use Alg. 1 for the AES key expansion and recall that  $K_1 = (W_4 \ W_5 \ W_6 \ W_7)$ .

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### Algorithm 1 AES key expansion (applied)

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for  $i \leftarrow 4; i < 4 \cdot (r + 1); i++ \text{ do}$ 
    \\\ Initialize for-loop with  $i \leftarrow 4$ . We have  $r = 1$  for  $K_1$ .
    tmp  $\leftarrow W_{i-1}$ 
    \\\ tmp  $\leftarrow W_3 = (BC \ BC \ 58 \ 58)$  (1P)
    if ( $i \bmod 4 = 0$ ) then
        \\\ Result is true as  $i = 4$ .
        tmp  $\leftarrow \text{SubBytes}(\text{RotByte}(tmp)) \oplus \text{Rcon}(i/4)$ 
        \\\ Evaluate this operation step by step:
        \\\ RotByte(tmp) = (BC 58 58 BC), i.e., a cyclic left shift of one byte (2P)
        \\\ To compute SubBytes(BC 58 58 BC) use given lookup-table for each byte:
        \\\ (row 11, col 12) provides  $101_{10} = 65_{16}$ 
        \\\ (row 5, col 8) provides  $106_{10} = 6A_{16}$ 
        \\\ Note that the indexation of rows and columns starts with zero.
        \\\ SubBytes(BC 58 58 BC) = (65 6A 6A 65) (3P)
        \\\  $i/4 = 1$ 
        \\\ Rcon(1) = (RC(1) 00 00 00), with RC(1) =  $x^{1-1} = x^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{F}_{2^8}$ .
        \\\ tmp  $\leftarrow (65 \ 6A \ 6A \ 65) \oplus (01 \ 00 \ 00 \ 00) = (64 \ 6A \ 6A \ 65)$  (2P)
    end if
     $W_i \leftarrow W_{i-4} \oplus \text{tmp}$  \\\  $W_4 \leftarrow W_0 \oplus \text{tmp}$ . Then, next iteration,  $i \leftarrow 5\dots$ 
end for

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	$W_0$	B	8	2	E	E	1	2	2
$\oplus$	tmp	6	B	6	5	6	5	6	A
	$W_0$	1011	1000	0010	1110	1110	0001	0010	0010
$\oplus$	tmp	0110	0100	0110	1010	0110	1010	0110	0101
	$W_4$	1101	1100	0100	0100	1000	1011	0100	0111
	$W_4$	D	C	4	4	8	B	4	7

(3P)

## Solution of Problem 4

**a) Initial setup:**

A prime  $p$  and a primitive element  $a$  modulo  $p$  are selected and published.

**Protocol actions:**

$A$  chooses a random secret  $x \in \{2, \dots, p-2\}$  and sends to  $B$ :  $u = a^x \pmod{p}$ .

$B$  chooses a random secret  $y \in \{2, \dots, p-2\}$  and sends to  $A$ :  $v = a^y \pmod{p}$ .

$B$  receives  $u$  and computes the shared key  $u^y = (a^x)^y \pmod{p}$ .

$A$  receives  $v$  and computes the shared key  $v^x = (a^y)^x \pmod{p}$ .

(2P)

**b) Apply the MRPT, compute  $q$  and  $k$ :**

$$\begin{aligned} p = 37 &= 1 + q \cdot 2^k \\ &= 1 + 18 \cdot 2^1 \\ &= 1 + 9 \cdot 2^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad q = 9, k = 2 \text{ (1P)} \end{aligned}$$

The witness is chosen as  $a = 2$ , and we have  $k = 2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} y &\leftarrow a^q = 2^9 = 512 \equiv 31 \pmod{37} \\ y &\not\equiv 1 \pmod{37}, \quad y \not\equiv 36 \pmod{37} \\ i &= 1 : y \leftarrow a^{q \cdot 2^i} = y^2 = 31^2 = 961 \equiv 36 \equiv -1 \pmod{37} \\ \Rightarrow &\text{ The MRPT states } n = 37 \text{ is prime. (3P)} \end{aligned}$$

**c) The parameters are valid if  $p = 37$  is prime and  $a = 5$  is a primitive element.**

From (b), we assume that  $p = 37$  is prime. (1P)

Is  $a = 5$  a primitive element? From Proposition 7.5 it follows:

$$a \text{ is a primitive element modulo } p \iff a^{(p-1)/p_i} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p} \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, k.$$

$$\begin{aligned} p = 37, p-1 &= 37-1 = 36 \quad p_1 = 2, p_2 = 3 \quad 36 = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \\ a^{\frac{p-1}{p_1}} &= 5^{\frac{36}{2}} = 5^{18} \equiv 36 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{37} \\ a^{\frac{p-1}{p_2}} &= 5^{\frac{36}{3}} = 5^{12} = 244140625 \equiv 10 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{37} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow a$  is a primitive element and the parameters are valid. (2P)

$$\begin{aligned} a^x &= 5^8 = 390625 \equiv 16 \pmod{37} \\ (a^x)^y &= 16^{16} = 16^{8 \cdot 2} = 4294967296^2 \equiv 7^2 \equiv 12 \pmod{37} \\ a^y &= 5^{16} = (5^8)^2 = 16^2 \equiv 34 \pmod{37} \\ (a^y)^x &= 34^8 = (34^4)^2 = 1336336^2 \equiv 7^2 \equiv 12 \pmod{37} \text{ (3P)} \end{aligned}$$

## Solution of Problem 5

a)  $(n, e) = (221, 5)$ ,  $c = 9$

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 221 = 17 \cdot 13 \\ \varphi(n) &= 16 \cdot 12 = 192 \\ d &= e^{-1} = 5^{-1} \pmod{\varphi(n)} \quad (\mathbf{1P}) \end{aligned}$$

Extended Euclidean Algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} 192 &= 5 \cdot 38 + 2 \\ 5 &= 2 \cdot 2 + 1 \\ \Rightarrow 1 &= 5 - 2 \cdot 2 \\ &= 5 - 2 \cdot (192 - 5 \cdot 38) \\ &= 5 - 2 \cdot 192 + 76 \cdot 5 \\ &= 77 \cdot 5 - 2 \cdot 192 \\ \Rightarrow d &= e^{-1} = 77 \pmod{192} \\ m &= c^d = 9^{77} \pmod{221} \quad (\mathbf{2P}) \end{aligned}$$

Decimal to binary representation of 77:

$$\begin{array}{ll} 77 = 2 \cdot 38 + 1 & 2^0 \\ 38 = 2 \cdot 19 + 0 & 2^1 \\ 19 = 2 \cdot 9 + 1 & 2^2 \\ 9 = 2 \cdot 4 + 1 & 2^3 \\ 4 = 2 \cdot 2 + 0 & 2^4 \\ 2 = 2 \cdot 1 + 0 & 2^5 \\ 1 = 2 \cdot 0 + 1 & 2^6 \\ \Rightarrow 77_{10} = 1001101_2 & (\mathbf{1P}) \end{array}$$

Square and Multiply:

$$\begin{aligned} 9 & \\ 9^2 &\equiv 81 \pmod{221} \\ 81^2 &\equiv 152 \pmod{221} \\ 152^2 \cdot 9 &\equiv 196 \pmod{221} \\ 196^2 \cdot 9 &\equiv 100 \pmod{221} \\ 100^2 &\equiv 55 \pmod{221} \\ 55^2 \cdot 9 &\equiv 42 \equiv 9^{77} \pmod{221} \quad (\mathbf{2P}) \end{aligned}$$

b) Key is generated such that:

$$d = e^{-1} \pmod{\varphi(n)}.$$

$\Rightarrow$  There are  $\varphi(\varphi(n))$  such numbers.  $(\mathbf{2P})$