

TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITEIT EINDHOVEN
Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science
Introduction to Cryptology, Monday 23 January 2017

Name :

TU/e student number :

Exercise	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	total
points								

Notes: Please hand in this sheet at the end of the exam. You may keep the sheet with the exercises.

This exam consists of 7 exercises. You have from 13:30 – 16:30 to solve them. You can reach 100 points.

Make sure to justify your answers in detail and to give clear arguments. Document all steps, in particular of algorithms; it is not sufficient to state the correct result without the explanation. If the problem requires usage of a particular algorithm other solutions will not be accepted even if they give the correct result.

All answers must be submitted on TU/e letterhead; should you require more sheets ask the proctor. State your name on every sheet.

Do not write in red or with a pencil.

You are not allowed to use any books, notes, or other material.

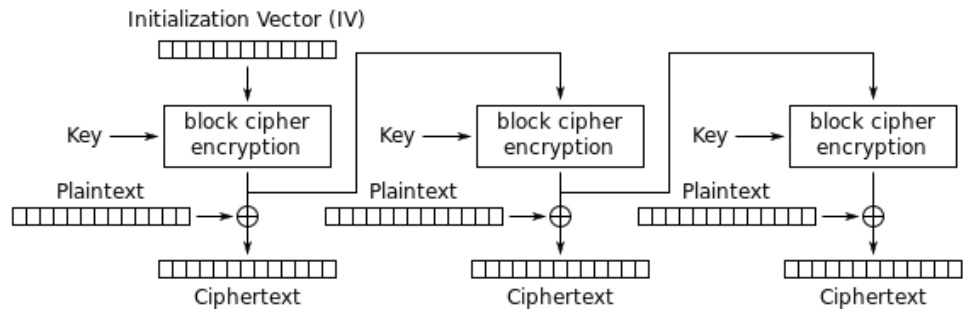
You are allowed to use a simple, non-programmable calculator without networking abilities. Usage of laptops and cell phones is forbidden.

1. This exercise is about LFSRs. Do the following subexercises for the sequence

$$s_{i+4} = s_{i+2} + s_{i+1} + s_i$$

- (a) Draw the LFSR corresponding this sequence. 2 points
- (b) State the characteristic polynomial f and compute its factorization. You do not need to do a Rabin irreducibility test but you do need to argue why a factor is irreducible. 10 points
- (c) For each of the factors of f compute the order. 10 points
- (d) What is the longest period generated by this LFSR?
Make sure to justify your answer. 4 points
- (e) State the lengths of all subsequences so that each state of n bits appears exactly once.
Make sure to justify your answer. 8 points

2. This exercise is about modes. Here is a schematic description of the OFB (Output Feedback) mode.



Output Feedback (OFB) mode encryption

[Picture by White Timberwolf, public domain]

This encryption uses a block cipher of block size b . Let $\text{Enc}_k(m)$ denote encryption of a single block m using this block cipher with key k and let $\text{Dec}_k(c)$ denote decryption of a single block c using the block cipher with key k . Let IV be the initialization vector of length b , let m_i be the b -bit strings holding the message and c_i be the b -bit strings holding the ciphertexts.

- (a) Describe how encryption and decryption of long messages work, i.e., write c_0, c_1 , and a general c_i in terms of IV, m_0, m_1, m_i , and (if necessary) other m_j and c_j ; and write m_0, m_1 , and a general m_i in terms of IV, c_0, c_1, c_i , and (if necessary) other m_j and c_j . 6 points
- (b) Ciphertexts are received with explicit sequence numbers (i, c_i) . Assume that ciphertext c_j gets modified in transit. Show which messages get decrypted incorrectly. 4 points
3. This problem is about RSA encryption.
- (a) Alice's public key is $(n, e) = (14351, 5)$. Encrypt the message $m = 234$ to Alice using schoolbook RSA (no padding). 4 points
- (b) Let $p = 449$ and $q = 569$. Compute the public key using $e = 3$ and the corresponding private key.
Reminder: The private exponent d is a positive number. 8 points
4. This problem is about the DH key exchange. The public parameters are that the group is $(\mathbb{F}_{983}^*, \cdot)$ and that it is generated by $g = 5$.
- (a) Compute the public key belonging to the secret key $b = 20$. 4 points
- (b) Alice's public key is $h_a = 473$. Compute the shared DH key with Alice using b from the previous part. 6 points
5. The integer $p = 19$ is prime. You are the eavesdropper and know that Alice and Bob use the Diffie-Hellman key-exchange in \mathbb{F}_{19}^* with generator $g = 3$. Alice's public key is $h_a = g^a = 10$. Use the Baby-Step Giant-Step method to compute Alice's private key a . Verify your result, i.e. compute g^a . 10 points

6. The poly-RSA cryptosystem is the polynomial analogue of the regular RSA cryptosystem. To generate a key, pick two irreducible polynomials $p(x), q(x) \in \mathbb{F}_2[x]$ and compute $N(x) = p(x) \cdot q(x)$.

Let $\deg(p) = m, \deg(q) = n$. Select e with $\gcd(e, (2^m - 1) \cdot (2^n - 1)) = 1$ and compute $d \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{(2^m - 1) \cdot (2^n - 1)}$. The public key is $(e, N(x))$, the secret key is $(d, N(x))$.

Messages are elements of $\mathbb{F}_2[x]$ of degree less than $m + n$. To encrypt $M(x)$ compute $C(x) \equiv M(x)^e \pmod{N(x)}$. To decrypt $C(x)$ compute $\bar{M}(x) \equiv C(x)^d \pmod{N(x)}$.

- (a) Explain why this scheme works, i.e., explain why $M(x) = \bar{M}(x)$.

Hint: $\mathbb{F}_2[x]/p(x) \cong \mathbb{F}_{2^m}$ and $\mathbb{F}_2[x]/q(x) \cong \mathbb{F}_{2^n}$.

7 points

- (b) Explain why poly-RSA is not secure and show how to break it.

5 points

7. The ElGamal signature scheme works as follows. Let $G = \langle g \rangle$ be a group of order ℓ . User A picks a private key a and computes the matching public key $h_A = g^a$. To sign message m , A picks a random nonce k and computes $r = g^k$ and $s \equiv k^{-1}(r + \text{hash}(m)a) \pmod{\ell}$. The signature is (r, s) .

- (a) Show how to compute a given m, r, s , and k .

6 points

- (b) Bob uses ElGamal signatures to authenticate his messages. He didn't pass the introduction to cryptology course and doesn't know how to generate random numbers, so he uses the same k for all messages. Show how to compute a given signatures (r, s_1) on m_1 and (r, s_2) on $m_2 \neq m_1$.

Note: k and thus r are the same in both signatures.

6 points