

**TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITEIT EINDHOVEN**  
**Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science**  
**Exam Cryptography 1, Tuesday 15 April 2014**

Name :

TU/e student number :

Exercise	1	2	3	4	5	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 5 exercises. You have from 14:00 – 17:00 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 allowed to use any books and notes, e.g. your homework. You are not allowed to use the textbooks of your colleagues.

You are allowed to use a calculator without networking abilities. Usage of laptops and cell phones is forbidden. One laptop is available at the front of the room to look up things from the course web pages, the course scripts, or do calculations with GP-Pari.



1. This problem is about the DH key exchange. The public parameters are that the group is  $(\mathbb{F}_{1009}^*, \cdot)$  and that it is generated by  $g = 11$ .

(a) Compute the public key belonging to the secret key  $b = 548$ .

2 points

(b) Alice's public key is  $h_a = 830$ . Compute the shared DH key with Alice using  $b$  from the previous part.

4 points

2. This exercise is about computing discrete logarithms in some groups.

(a) Alice and Bob use  $(\mathbb{F}_{23459}, +)$  for Diffie-Hellman with generator  $g = 5$ . You observe that Alice uses  $h_a = a \cdot g = 12345$  and Bob uses  $h_b = b \cdot g = 23456$ . Compute the shared Diffie-Hellman key of Alice and Bob.

3 points

(b) The order of 3 in  $(\mathbb{F}_{331}^*, \cdot)$  is 330. Charlie uses the group generated by  $g = 3$  for cryptography. His public key is  $g_c = 123$ . Use the Pohlig-Hellman attack to compute the discrete logarithm of  $g_c$  to the base  $g$ .

20 points

3. This exercise is about factoring  $n = 4015$ .

(a) Use Pollard's rho method of factorization to find a factor of 4015. Use starting point  $x_0 = 7$ , iteration function  $x_{i+1} = x_i^2 + 1$  and Floyd's cycle finding method, i.e. compute  $\gcd(x_{2i} - x_i, 4015)$  until a non-trivial gcd is found.

8 points

(b) Perform one round of the Fermat test with base  $a = 2$  to test whether 365 is prime. What is the answer of the Fermat test?

5 points

(c) Use Pollard's  $p - 1$  factorization method to factor the number  $m = 365$  with base  $u = 2$  and exponent  $s = \text{lcm}\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

5 points

4. (a) Find all affine points on the Edwards curve

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1 - 7x^2y^2 \text{ over } \mathbb{F}_{17}.$$

10 points

- (b) Verify that  $P = (3, 6)$  is on the curve. Compute  $5P$ .

12 points

- (c) Translate the curve and  $P$  to Montgomery form

$$Bv^2 = u^3 + Au^2 + u.$$

5 points

5. This exercise is about a signature scheme due to Rabin. The signature scheme relies on the hardness of computing square roots modulo composite numbers. A public key is an RSA modulus  $n = p \cdot q$ , where both  $p$  and  $q$  are congruent to 3 modulo 4;  $p$  and  $q$  constitute the secret key.

For primes which are congruent to 3 modulo 4 one can compute the square root of  $a$  as  $a^{(p+1)/4} \bmod p$ , if  $a$  is a square. You will prove this in the last part of this exercise but should use it in Part 5c.

Let  $h$  be a cryptographic hash function. To sign a message  $m$  the signer computes a square root  $r$  of  $h(m)$  modulo  $n$ , if  $h(m)$  is a square, and of  $-h(m)$  otherwise. To verify the signature, the recipient computes  $r^2 \bmod n$  and compares the value to  $h(m)$ .

- (a) Let  $p = 19$ . Find all squares in  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , i.e. find all

$$a \in \mathbb{F}_p \text{ so that there exists a } b \in \mathbb{F}_p \text{ with } a = b^2.$$

3 points

- (b) Let  $p = 19$ . For all squares in  $\mathbb{F}_p$  (see previous part)

compute  $a^{(p+1)/4} \bmod p$ , compare the results to the values of  $b$  obtained above to see which square root is computed.

3 points

- (c) Your secret key is  $p = 19, q = 23$ . Compute the signature on a message for which  $h(m) = 220$ .

**Hint:** You need to do computations modulo  $p$  and  $q$  separately, and then combine the result using the Chinese Remainder Theorem.

10 points

- (d) Show that for a prime  $p$  with  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  the computation of  $a^{(p+1)/4} \bmod p$  computes the square root of  $a$ , if  $a$  is a square.

10 points