

MATH 3094 - PRACTICE MIDTERM 1

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Show all your work. Explain all your answers. Do not use calculator programs.

Problem 1. (20 points) For each problem below, explain your steps to find the answer.

- (1) (5 points) Practice the fast powering algorithm, e.g., find an integer between 0 and 10 that is congruent to  $5^{321} \pmod{11}$ .

By Fermat's little theorem  $5^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$  (b/c  $11 \nmid 5$ ).

Thus  $5^{321} \equiv 5^{32 \cdot 10} \cdot 5 \equiv (5^{10})^{32} \cdot 5 \equiv 1^{32} \cdot 5 \equiv \boxed{5 \pmod{11}}$

- (2) (5 points) Practice solving Bezout's identity, e.g., find integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $7x + 47y = 1$  using Euclid's algorithm.

~~We~~ We use Euclid's:

$$47 = 7 \cdot 6 + 5$$

$$7 = 5 \cdot 1 + 2$$

$$5 = 2 \cdot 2 + \boxed{1}$$

$$1 = 5 - 2 \cdot 2$$

$$= 5 - (7-5) \cdot 2$$

$$= 3 \cdot 5 - 2 \cdot 7$$

$$= (47 - 7 \cdot 6) \cdot 3 - 2 \cdot 7$$

$$= 3 \cdot 47 - 20 \cdot 7$$

so

$$\boxed{1 = (-20) \cdot 7 + 3 \cdot 47}$$

$$\boxed{x = -20 \quad y = 3}$$

- (3) (5 points) Practice finding multiplicative inverses, e.g., find the multiplicative inverse of  $7 \pmod{47}$ .

Since  $1 = (-20) \cdot 7 + 3 \cdot 47$  if we reduce modulo 47:

$$1 \equiv (-20) \cdot 7 \pmod{47} \Rightarrow 7 \cdot 27 \equiv 1 \pmod{47}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{7^{-1} \equiv 27 \pmod{47}}$$

- (4) (5 points) Practice finding negative powers of integers in modular arithmetic, e.g., find an integer between 0 and 10 that is congruent to  $7^{-3} \pmod{11}$ .

$$7^3 \equiv 7^2 \cdot 7 \equiv 49 \cdot 7 \equiv 5 \cdot 7 \equiv 35 \equiv 2 \pmod{11}$$

$$7^{-3} \equiv (7^3)^{-1} \equiv 2^{-1} \equiv \boxed{6 \pmod{11}}$$

**Problem 2.** (20 points)

- (1) Practice encrypting and decrypting using Caesar/shift ciphers, e.g., let A through Z be encoded by 0 through 25 mod 26 (so that  $A \equiv 0, B \equiv 1, \dots, Z \equiv 25 \pmod{26}$ ) and encrypt "MATH" using the shift cipher  $e_3(\ell) \equiv \ell + 3 \pmod{26}$ .

e ↓

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	A	B	C

MATH  $\xrightarrow{e}$  PDWK

- (2) Practice encrypting and decrypting using Caesar/shift ciphers, e.g., the word "SOJZKXS" was encrypted using a shift cipher, and you know that O corresponds to I. Decrypt the message.

e ↓

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	A	B	C	D	E	F

SOJZKXS  $\xrightarrow{d}$  MIDTERM

- (3) Practice working with affine ciphers, e.g., let  $e(m) \equiv 3 \cdot m + 3 \pmod{26}$ . Can this function be used as an affine cipher to encrypt the alphabet? If so, what is the decryption function  $d(c)$ ? Yes b/c 3 is invertible mod 26.

$$\text{If } c \equiv 3m + 3 \pmod{26} \text{ then } m \equiv 3^{-1} \cdot (c - 3)$$

$$\equiv 9 \cdot (c + 23) \pmod{26}$$

is an inverse function, i.e.,

$$d(c) \equiv 9 \cdot (c + 23) \pmod{26} \text{ is a decryption function.}$$

- (4) Practice working with affine ciphers, e.g., let  $e(m) \equiv 4 \cdot m + 4 \pmod{26}$ . Can this function be used as an affine cipher to encrypt the alphabet? If so, what is the decryption function  $d(c)$ ?

No this cannot be a cipher b/c the inverse/decrypt function would be

$$d(c) \equiv 4^{-1} \cdot (c - 4) \pmod{26}$$

but 4 is NOT invertible mod 26 ( $\gcd(4, 26) = 2 \neq 1$ ).

**Problem 3.** (20 points)

- (1) Practice working with primitive roots, e.g., find all the primitive roots modulo 11.

$$2 \text{ is a p.r. : } \begin{array}{c|cccccccccc} n & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \\ \hline 2^n & 2 & 4 & 8 & 5 & 10 & 9 & 7 & 3 & 6 & 1 \end{array}$$

then the p.r.'s are  $2^m$  w/  $\gcd(m, 10) = 1$  so

$$2, 2^3, 2^7, 2^9 \equiv \boxed{2, 8, 7, 6 \pmod{11}}$$

- (2) Practice solving the DLP, e.g., find
- $x$
- such that
- $2^x \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$
- .

Using the table above:

$$2^4 \equiv 5 \pmod{11} \text{ so } \boxed{x=4}$$

- (3) Practice finding multiplicative orders, e.g., what is the multiplicative order of 2 mod 11? How about 4 mod 11?

$$\boxed{\text{ord}_{11}(2) = 10} \text{ by the table above.}$$

$$\boxed{\text{ord}_{11}(4) = \text{ord}_{11}(2^2) = 5}$$

$$\text{b/c } (2^2)^5 \equiv 2^{10} \equiv 1 \text{ and } 2^1 \neq 1.$$

- (4) Practice setting up a Diffie-Hellman key exchange, e.g., Alice and Bob want to communicate securely and first they will use Diffie-Hellman (DH) key exchange, using
- $p = 11$
- and
- $g = 4$
- . Alice picks
- $a = 3$
- and Bob picks
- $b = 2$
- for their secret keys. What is the secret key
- $K \pmod{11}$
- that the DH algorithm produces?

$$A \equiv 4^3 \equiv 4^2 \cdot 4 \equiv 20 \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$$

$$\Rightarrow K \equiv A^b \equiv 9^2 \equiv 81 \equiv \boxed{4 \pmod{11}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Similarly } k &\equiv B^a \pmod{11}) \\ &\equiv 4. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 4.** (20 points) Practice setting up and working with an Elgamal crypto system, e.g., set up an Elgamal system with  $p = 13$ ,  $g = 4$ , and Alice's choice  $a = 3$ .

(1) First compute  $A \equiv g^a \pmod{p}$ .

$$A \equiv 4^3 \equiv 4^2 \cdot 4 \equiv 3 \cdot 4 \equiv \boxed{12 \pmod{13}}$$

(2) Then, encrypt the messages  $m_1 = 7$  and  $m_2 = 8$  using the Elgamal system you just set up.

Pick  $k=2$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{m=7} \quad (c_1, c_2) &\equiv (g^k, m A^k) \\ &\equiv (4^2, 7 \cdot 12^2) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} 12 \equiv -1 \\ \Rightarrow 12^2 \equiv (-1)^2 \equiv 1 \end{array} \right\} \\ &\equiv (3, 7 \cdot 1) \equiv (3, 7) \pmod{13} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{m=8} \quad (c_1, c_2) &\equiv (g^k, m A^k) \\ &\equiv (4^2, 8 \cdot 12^2) \\ &\equiv (3, 8) \equiv \boxed{(3, 8) \pmod{13}} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 5.** (20 points) Practice using Shank's baby-step giant-step algorithm, e.g., use Shank's baby-step giant-step algorithm to find  $x$  such that

$$2^x \equiv 3 \pmod{19}.$$

(1) Find the order of 2 mod 19.

The order divides  $18 = 19 - 1 \Rightarrow$  order is 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, or 18

$$2^2 \equiv 4, 2^3 \equiv 8, 2^6 \equiv 7, 2^9 \equiv 18 \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{order is } 18}$$

(2) Compute  $n = 1 + \lfloor \sqrt{18} \rfloor$ .

$$n = 1 + \lfloor \sqrt{18} \rfloor = \boxed{5}$$

(3) Compute List 1:  $1, g, g^2, \dots, g^n \pmod{19}$ .

$$1, 2, 2^2 \equiv 4, 2^3 \equiv 8, 2^4 \equiv 16, 2^5 \equiv 13$$

$$\boxed{\{1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 13\}}$$

(4) Compute  $u \equiv g^{-n} \pmod{19}$ .

$$u \equiv g^{-n} \equiv 2^{-5} \equiv (2^5)^{-1} \equiv \boxed{3 \pmod{19}}$$

(5) Compute List 2:  $h, h \cdot u, h \cdot u^2, \dots, h \cdot u^n \pmod{19}$ .

$$h = 3, \quad 3, 3 \cdot 3, 3 \cdot 3^2, 3 \cdot 3^3, 3 \cdot 3^4, 3 \cdot 3^5$$

$$\equiv \boxed{3, 9, 8, 5, 15, 7}$$

(6) Use the information above to finish the baby-step giant-step algorithm and find  $x$  such that  $2^x \equiv 3 \pmod{19}$ .

8 is repeated in both lists!

$$g^3 \equiv h \cdot (g^{-n})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = i + jn = 3 + 2 \cdot 5 = 13$$

$$\boxed{x = 13} \quad \text{so } \boxed{2^{13} \equiv 3 \pmod{19}}$$