

Advanced Cryptography: Lightweight Cryptography

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0. Repetition sheet

Exercise 0.1 (High powers). Compute $3^{98765432101}$ in \mathbb{Z}_{101} .

Exercise 0.2. Daniel shows you his self-made random-number-generator which produces 16-bit numbers. But the distribution is not uniform! Daniel's favorite number is chosen with probability $27/1024$ – and you know that probability, but not the value of the number. How many calls to the random-number-generator do you expect to make, such that the favorite number occurs at least 9 times?

Exercise 0.3 (Reductions). Consider some problems:

Problem (RSA). Given a number N which is a product of two primes p and q (of approximately same size), a number e coprime to $\varphi(N) = (p-1)(q-1)$, and a number $y \in \mathbb{Z}_N^\times$. Compute x such that $y = x^e$ in \mathbb{Z}_N^\times .

Problem (Factoring). Given a number N which is a product of at least two distinct primes compute all prime factors of N .

Problem (CSAT). Given a boolean formula $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$. Find $u_1, \dots, u_n \in \{0, 1\}$ such that $\varphi(u_1, \dots, u_n) = 1$. [We consider 1 as true and 0 as false.]

- (i) Reduce the RSA problem to factoring, ie. write down a program for the RSA problem using a subroutine for factoring. Make sure that the runtime of your reduction (counting the subroutine as one time step) is polynomial in the input size.
- (ii) Reduce factoring to CSAT in polynomial time.

Exercise 0.4 (Block ciphers in ECB mode). Consider the block cipher 3DES that uses three 56-bit keys K_1, K_2, K_3 and encrypts a 64-bit block by applying $3DES_{K_1, K_2, K_3} = \text{DES}_{K_1} \circ \text{DES}_{K_2}^{-1} \circ \text{DES}_{K_3}$ on it (this is exactly the definition of Triple DES with keying option 1 as specified in the NIST standard). Assume now that you plan to encrypt a very long UTF-16 encoded plaintext by grouping the text into blocks of four characters and encrypting each block with $3DES_{K_1, K_2, K_3}$ (this is called electronic codebook mode). Describe the major advantages and disadvantages of this approach.