

10 points for each of the questions 1-8

1. Textbook 4.5.4: What is a practical method for finding a triple of keys that maps a given plaintext to a given ciphertext using EDE.

2. Manually complete the following operations. Explain your reason for each step. (Hints: Use Fermat Theorem, Euler Theorem, etc.)

(a) $1234^{16} \bmod 17$

(b) $54^{51} \bmod 17$

(c) $\phi(51)$

(d) $\gcd(33, 121)$

(e) $2^{-1} \bmod 17$

(f) $\log_{2,5}(4)$

3. A server uses a Challenge-Response protocol to authenticate users. The server stores the legitimate users' public key. Each time when a user wants to login, the server generates a random challenge and sends it to the user. The user then generates a digital signature on his/her workstation and sends the digital signature to the server. The server authenticates the user by verifying his/her signature on the random message. Describe an attack against the server.

4. Perform encryption and decryption using the RSA algorithm for $p = 5$; $q=11$, $e=3$; $M = 9$. Show how you got your results.

5. Bob uses Alice's public key $\langle e, n \rangle$ to encrypt an original message M by computing $C = M^e \bmod n$. Eve doesn't know Alice's private key d , but she was told that M and n have a non-trivial common divisor (i.e., the common divisor is not equal to 1). Suppose Eve intercepts C . Is it possible for Eve to figure out Alice's private key d and obtain Bob's original message M ? (Hint: Eve may test whether or not C is a prime number)

6. Bob intercepts a ciphertext C intended for Alice and encrypted with Alice's public key e, n . Bob wants to obtain the original message $M = C^d \bmod n$. Bob chooses a random value r less than n and computes

$$Z = r^e \bmod n$$

$$X = ZC \bmod n$$

$$t = r \bmod n$$

Next, Bob gets Alice to authenticate (sign) X with her private key, thereby decrypting X . Alice returns $Y = X^d \bmod n$. Show how Bob can use this information now available to him to determine M .

7. Consider the following key establishment protocol. Alice selects a random number x and computes x^g , where g is a number that is known to the public. Bob selects a random

number y and computes y^g . Alice and Bob send x^g and y^g to each other. The shared key is computed as $(xy)^g$. Describe an attack against such key establishment protocol.

8. Alice and Bob use the Diffie-Hellman protocol to create two keys k_1 and k_2 . In generating k_1 , Alice selects a random number x and computes $SA = g^x \bmod p$. Bob selects a random number y and computes $SB = g^y \bmod p$. Alice and Bob exchange SA and SB , and $k_1 = g^{xy} \bmod p$. In generating k_2 , Alice chooses another random number x_1 but Bob still uses the same random number y . Suppose an eavesdropper knows that x and x_1 differ each other by t (i.e., $||x-x_1|| = t$). Given the knowledge of k_1 and a pair of plaintext M and ciphertext C encrypted by k_2 , can the eavesdropper find out k_2 ?