

**Exercise 1.**

Bob's public ElGamal key is  $(p, a, y) = (101, 2, 11)$ .

- (a) Find the plaintext of the message  $(c_1, c_2) = (64, 79)$  sent to Bob without finding his private key.
- (b) Find Bob's private ElGamal key.

**Exercise 2.**

Consider a Hill cipher over the alphabet  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $p$  prime, with block length  $m \geq 2$ .

- (a) Which conditions need to be fulfilled such that the key  $U \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{m \times m}$  is feasible?
- (b) What is the cardinality of the key space for  $m = 2$  and  $p$  prime? What is the cardinality if  $p = 29$ ?

For  $p = 29$  a known-plaintext attack for the message

a l l t h e b e s t f o r y o u i n h e r e (in letters)  
 0 11 11 19 7 4 1 4 18 19 5 14 17 24 14 20 8 13 7 4 17 4 (in numbers)

shall be executed. The corresponding cryptogram is given as

e e p z j s y r m c p j p m z o t v j s n k (in letters)  
 4 4 15 25 9 18 24 17 12 2 15 9 15 12 25 14 19 21 9 18 13 10 (in numbers)

- (c) Which key  $U$  has been used for encryption?

Now consider the alphabet  $\mathbb{Z}_{26}$ , i.e.,  $p = 26$  is no longer a prime.

- (d) Is the key  $U = \begin{pmatrix} 15 & 11 \\ 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$  appropriate for executing the Hill cipher? Determine the decryption function, if applicable.

**Exercise 3.**

Consider a block cipher with  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  Feistel rounds. Each round  $1 \leq n \leq N$  is structured as given in the following figure.

The message  $\mathbf{m}$  is decomposed into two parts of the same size  $\mathbf{m} = (L_1, R_1)$ . It holds that

$$\begin{aligned} L_{n+1} &= R_n, \\ R_{n+1} &= f_n(K_n, R_n) \oplus L_n, \end{aligned}$$

where the round keys are denoted as  $K_n$ . The resulting cryptogram is given as

$$\mathbf{c} = (R_{N+1}, L_{N+1}).$$

- (a) Describe a decryption method. Is it possible to apply the same algorithm for decryption? What are the round keys, if applicable?

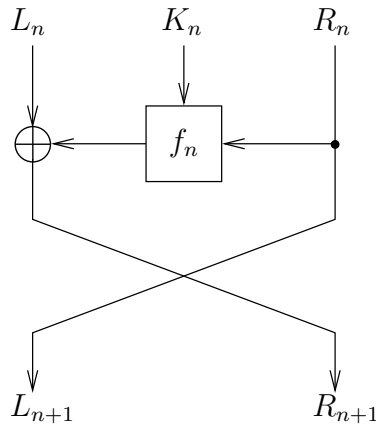


Abbildung 3.1: Feistel round

Consider a specific block cipher with input length of 8 and key length of 4 bits. The functions  $f_n$  are given as

$$f_n(R_n, K_n) = g(R_n \oplus K_n).$$

Analogously to SubBytes of AES the function  $g(a_3, a_2, a_1, a_0) = (r_3, r_2, r_1, r_0)$ ,  $a_i, r_i \in \{0, 1\}$ , is defined by

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_0 \\ r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $(y_3, y_2, y_1, y_0) \in \mathbb{F}_{2^4}$  is determined by the inverse polynomial of  $\sum_{i=0}^3 a_i x^i$  modulo the irreducible polynomial  $h(x) = x^4 + x^3 + 1$ .

The resulting function  $g$  is given by the following table.

| $\mathbf{a}$    | 0 | 1  | 2 | 3  | 4 | 5  | 6  | 7 | 8  | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
|-----------------|---|----|---|----|---|----|----|---|----|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| $g(\mathbf{a})$ | 1 | 10 | 2 | 12 | 8 | 14 | 15 | 5 | 13 | 9 | 0  | 11 | 6  | 7  | 3  | 4  |

In this table,  $\mathbf{a} = (a_3, a_2, a_1, a_0)$  and  $g(\mathbf{a}) = (r_3, r_2, r_1, r_0)$  are represented by  $\sum_{i=0}^3 a_i 2^i$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^3 r_i 2^i$ .

- (b) Show that the inverse of  $x^3 + x$  modulo  $h(x)$  in  $\mathbb{F}_{2^4}$  is given by  $x^3 + x + 1$ .
- (c) Assume  $g$  to be known and  $N = 2$  Feistel rounds are executed. Calculate the keys  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  for a given message  $\mathbf{m} = (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0)$  and a cryptogram  $\mathbf{c} = (1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)$ . Is security improved by introducing a third round?
- (d) Which block cipher of the lecture has the same structure as illustrated in Figure 3.1? Specify the blocks within the functions  $f_n$  which are executed in that block cipher.

**Exercise 4.**

- (a) Show by means of the Miller Rabin primality test (MRPT) that  $n = 301$  is composite. Utilize the square and multiply algorithm. Is 2 a strong witness for the compositeness of  $n$ ?
- (b) One run of the MRPT for a given odd number  $n = 1 + q2^k$ ,  $k, q \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $q$  odd, consists of an exponentiation and a couple of squarings. The exponentiation shall be performed by means of the square and multiply algorithm. Assume that the chosen number  $a$  is a strong witness for compositeness of  $n$ . How many multiplications  $m$  and squarings  $s$  are needed during one run of the MRPT? Determine the minimum and maximum number of multiplications and squarings.
- (c) All odd numbers up to  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  are tested on primality with one run of the MRPT ( $M = 1$ ). Assume there are  $\lfloor N/\ln(N) \rfloor$  primes which are less or equal to  $N$ . Compute an upper bound for the expectation of the number of runs for which the test states „prime“.
- (d) Consider a composite number  $n = p \cdot q = 3365753$  with primes  $p$  and  $q$ . Factorize  $n$  by means of the knowledge  $\varphi(n) = 3361920$ .

**Exercise 5.**

Consider the RSA cryptosystem.

- (a) Show the correctness of the RSA decryption.
- (b) Is  $e = 2$  a valid RSA key? Justify your answer.
- (c) Decrypt the ciphertext  $c = 8$  which was encrypted with the public key  $(n, e) = (9797, 1477)$ .

Consider the Rabin cryptosystem with parameters  $p = 43$  and  $q = 71$ .

- (d) Decrypt the ciphertext  $c = 144$ .

Hints:

- Calculate the square roots of  $2 \pmod{71}$  and  $15 \pmod{43}$ .
- It holds that  $20 \cdot 71 - 33 \cdot 43 = 1$ .
- Assume that the least significant bits of the message are 101.

**Exercise 6.**

Consider the following proposal for a hash function.

Given is a message  $M = m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n$  consisting of blocks  $m_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, q - 1\}$ . Let  $q$  be prime and  $b$  be a primitive element  $(\text{mod } q)$ .

Given:  $f(t) := b^t \pmod{q}$

Initialise:  $h_0 := 0$

for  $i := 1$  to  $n$ :

$h_i := f(h_{i-1} + m_i)$

return  $h_n$

- (a) Find a collision for the proposed hash function.
- (b) Is  $f(t)$  for  $t \in \{2, \dots, q - 2\}$  preimage resistant? Justify your answer.
- (c) The ElGamal signature scheme and the hash function above shall be used for signing a document. Parameters are  $p = 461, a = 2, x = 99$  and  $k = 3$ , and for the hash function  $q = 131$  and  $b = 2$ . Sign the message  $M = (14, 5, 122, 12)$ .

**Exercise 7.**

Consider the elliptic curve

$$E : y^2 = x^3 + 2x + 4.$$

The curve is defined over  $\mathbb{F}_7$ .

- (a) Calculate all points of the curve. How many points are in  $E(\mathbb{F}_7)$ ?
- (b) Identify the inverses  $-P$  for all points  $P \in E(\mathbb{F}_7)$ .

Now the Diffie-Hellman key exchange is performed on  $E$ . The discrete logarithm problem on elliptic curves is to find  $a$  such that  $Q = aP$  holds with given points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

- (c) Describe the Diffie-Hellman key exchange protocol on elliptic curves and corresponding parameters.

Perform the key exchange on  $E(\mathbb{F}_7)$  and generator  $P = (0, 2)$ . Alice chooses  $x = 4$  as her secret and Bob chooses  $y = 3$ .

- (d) Calculate the messages  $xP$  and  $yP$  of the key exchange and the common key.