

# Homework 9 in Advanced Methods of Cryptography

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**Exercise 25.** There is the following system of linear congruences:

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$$

$$x \equiv 5 \pmod{13}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{15}$$

$$x \equiv 9 \pmod{17}.$$

(a) Compute the smallest positive solution using the Chinese Remainder Theorem.

**Exercise 26.** Alice and Bob use the Diffie-Hellman key exchange protocol to agree upon a shared key. As system parameters they use the prime number  $p = 101$  and the primitive element  $a = 2$  modulo  $p$ . Alice chooses the random secret  $x = 37$  and Bob chooses  $y = 33$ . Use the Square and Multiply algorithm to compute large integer powers.

(a) How does the protocol work? Which values are exchanged between Alice and Bob?

(b) Compute the shared key.

**Exercise 27.** Prove Proposition 7.5 from the lecture, which provides a possibility to check whether  $a$  is a primitive element modulo  $n$ :

Let  $p > 3$  be prime,  $p - 1 = \prod_{i=1}^k p_i^{t_i}$  the prime factorization of  $p - 1$ . Then,  
 $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  is a primitive element modulo  $p \Leftrightarrow a^{\frac{p-1}{p_i}} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ .

**Exercise 28.** Alice and Bob are using the Shamir's no-key protocol to exchange a secret message. They agree to use the prime  $p = 31337$  for their communication. Alice chooses the random number  $a = 9999$  while Bob chooses  $b = 1011$ . Alice's message is  $m = 3567$ .

(a) Calculate all exchanged values  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$ , and  $c_3$  following the protocol.

**Hint:** You may use  $6399^{1011} \pmod{31337} = 29872$ .