Hw5 Answers

1. Your two primes are 11 and 13. You publish your public modulus n = 143 and your public encrypting key e = 7. But you keep the factorization of n secret.

1a. $\varphi(11 \cdot 13) = 10 * 12 = 120$

1b. Use Euclid's algorithm to compute your secret decryption key, d, the multiplicative inverse of $e \mod \varphi(n)$.

 $1 = 120 \cdot 1 + 7 \cdot (-17), \quad d = 7^{-1} \pmod{120} = (-17)\% 120 = 103.$

1c. Showing your work, compute the encryption of 98 using your public key. (Note you should use the algorithm in Epp, Example 8.4.5.) Call this encrypted message *a*.

 $a = 98^7 \% 143 = 32$. Note that 7 = 111 base 2. The powers of 98 (mod 143) are as follows: $98^2 \% 143 = 23$, $98^4 \% 143 = 100$.

Thus, $98^7 \% 143 = (98^4 \cdot 98^2 \cdot 98^1) \% 143 = (98 \cdot 23 \cdot 100) \% 143 = 32.$

1d. 32^{103} %143 = 98. To see this note that 103 = 1100111 base 2.

The powers of 32 mod 143 are: 32, 23, 100, 133, 100, 133, 100.

 $32^{103} \% 143 = (32^{64} \cdot 32^{32} \cdot 32^4 \cdot 32^2 \cdot 32^1) \% 143 = (100 \cdot 133 \cdot 100 \cdot 23 \cdot 32) \% 143 = 98.$

1e. To sign the message, "25", raise 25 to the power $d \mod n$. Call the answer c, your signed contract.

$$25^{103} \% 143 = 38$$

The powers of 25 mod 143 are: 25, 53, 92, 27, 14, 53, 92.

 $25^{103} \% 143 = (25^{64} \cdot 25^{32} \cdot 25^4 \cdot 25^2 \cdot 25^1) \% 143 = (92 \cdot 53 \cdot 92 \cdot 53 \cdot 25) \% 143 = 38.$

1f. The powers of 38 mod 143 are; 38, 14, 53.

 $38^7 \% 143 = (38^4 \cdot 38^2 \cdot 38^1) \% 143 = (53 \cdot 14 \cdot 38) \% 143 = 25.$

2. We will prove the CRT. Please make sure that you understand what this says:

 $\forall a, b > 1 (\gcd(a, b) = 1 \rightarrow \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}/a\mathbb{Z} \ \forall y \in \mathbb{Z}/b\mathbb{Z} \ \exists ! z \in \mathbb{Z}/ab\mathbb{Z} \ (z \equiv x \pmod{a} \land z \equiv y \pmod{b}))$

2a. In order to prove the CRT, let a > 1, b > 1 with gcd(a, b) = 1. Define the function, $f : \mathbb{Z}/a\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/b\mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}/ab\mathbb{Z}$ as follows: $f(x, y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (x \cdot b \cdot (b^{-1} \mod a) + y \cdot a \cdot (a^{-1} \mod b)) \% (a \cdot b)$

Show that $f(x, y) \equiv x \pmod{a}$ and $f(x, y) \equiv y \pmod{b}$. First note that (n% ab)% a = n% a. Thus, we have to show that $(x \cdot b \cdot (b^{-1} \mod a) + y \cdot a \cdot (a^{-1} \mod b)) \% a = x$. This is an easy calculation: the first term is x since $b \cdot (b^{-1} \mod a) \equiv 1 \pmod{a}$ and the second term is 0 (mod a). A similar argument shows that f(x, y) % b = y.

2b. Argue that it follows that f is 1:1. From 2a, we know that f(x, y) % a = x and f(x, y) % b = y. Thus, from f(x, y) we can uniquely determine x and y. Thus f is 1:1.

2c. $|\mathbf{Z}/n\mathbf{Z}| = n$. Thus both the domain and co-domain of the function f have cardinality ab.

2d. f is a 1:1 function from a set of size ab to a set of size ab. Since every element of the co-domain is hit at most once, and ab elements of the co-domain are hit, all the elements of the co-domain must be hit. Thus f is onto. (Any function from a finite set of size n to a set of the same size, n, is 1:1 if and only if it is onto. Note this is not true in general, just with these finite and same size conditions.) **Thus, we have proved the CRT.**

2e. Now let $f' = f \cap (\mathbf{Z}_a^* \times \mathbf{Z}_b^*)$ be the restriction of f to $\mathbf{Z}_a^* \times \mathbf{Z}_b^*$. Argue that $f' : f \cap (\mathbf{Z}_a^* \times \mathbf{Z}_b^*) \to \mathbf{Z}_{ab}^*$ and that f' is 1 : 1 and onto.

f' is 1:1 because any restriction of a 1:1 function is still 1:1. (Since f never hits the same item in the co-domain twice, neither can f'.) Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{ab}^*$ be arbitrary. By the CRT, we know that n = f(x, y) for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}/a\mathbb{Z}$ and $y \in \mathbb{Z}/b\mathbb{Z}$. Observe that gcd(x, a) = 1 because from the definition of f, if x had a divsor in common with a, then f(x, y) would have that same divisor in common with ab. For the same reason, gcd(y, b) = 1. It follows that f' is onto.

2f. Since f' is a 1:1 and onto function, it's domain and co-domain have the same size. It thus follows that $\varphi(ab) = \varphi(a) \cdot \varphi(b)$.