

Homework 7 in Advanced Methods of Cryptography

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Exercise 18.

- (a) The Miller-Rabin Primality Test (MRPT) comprises a number of successive squarings. Suppose a 300-digit number n is given. How many squarings are needed in the worst case during a single run of this primality test?
- (b) Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be odd and composite. Repeat the MRPT with uniformly distributed random numbers $a \in \{2, \dots, n-1\}$ until the output is „ n is composite“. Assume that the probability of the test outcome „ n is prime“ is $\frac{1}{4}$.

Compute the probability, that the number of such tests is equal to M , $M \in \mathbb{N}$.
What is the expected value of the number of tests?

Exercise 19. The Miller-Rabin Primality Test (MRPT) is applied m , $m \in \mathbb{N}$, times to check, whether n is prime, where n is chosen according to a uniform distribution on the odd numbers in $\{N, \dots, 2N\}$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$.

- (a) Show that

$$P(\text{„}n \text{ is composite“} \mid \text{MRPT returns } m \text{ times „}n \text{ is prime“}) \leq \frac{\ln(N) - 2}{\ln(N) - 2 + 2^{2m+1}}.$$

- (b) How many repetitions m of the test are needed to ensure that the above probability stays below $1/1000$ for $N = 2^{512}$?

Hint: Assume $P(\text{„}n \text{ is prime“}) = 2/\ln(N)$.

Exercise 20. Prove the Chinese Remainder Theorem:

Suppose m_1, \dots, m_r are pairwise relatively prime, $a_1, \dots, a_r \in \mathbb{N}$. The system of r congruences

$$x \equiv a_i \pmod{m_i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r,$$

has a unique solution modulo $M = \prod_{i=1}^r m_i$ given by

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i M_i y_i \pmod{M},$$

where $M_i = M/m_i$, $y_i = M_i^{-1} \pmod{m_i}$, $i = 1, \dots, r$.