

**TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITEIT EINDHOVEN**  
**Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science**  
**Exam Coding Theory and Cryptology I**  
**Tuesday 27 January 2015**

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| Exercise | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | total |
| points   |   |   |   |   |   |       |

**Notes:** Please hand in this sheet at the end of the exam. You may keep the sheets with the exercises.

This exam consists of 5 exercises. You have from 13:30 – 16:30 to solve them. You can reach 100 points.

Make sure to justify your answers in detail and to give clear arguments. Document all steps, in particular of algorithms; it is not sufficient to state the correct result without the explanation. If the problem requires usage of a particular algorithm other solutions will not be accepted even if they give the correct result.

All answers must be submitted on TU/e letterhead; should you require more sheets ask the proctor. State your name on every sheet.

Do not write in red or with a pencil.

You are allowed to use any books and notes, e.g. your homework. You are not allowed to use the textbooks of your colleagues.

You are allowed to use a calculator without networking abilities. Usage of laptops and cell phones is forbidden.



1. This exercise is about binary codes.
  - (a) State the parameters of the second order Reed-Muller code  $\mathcal{RM}(2, 4)$  of length  $16 = 2^4$ . 2 points
  - (b) Let  $c$  be a codeword of Hamming weight  $d = 4$  in  $\mathcal{RM}(2, 4)$ . State the parameters of  $C^{res}$ , the residual code of  $\mathcal{RM}(2, 4)$  with respect to  $c$ . 2 points
  - (c) Use the Griesmer bound to compute the minimum distance of  $C^{res}$ , the residual code from exercise 1.b). 4 points
  
2. This exercise is about ternary ( $q = 3$ ) BCH codes of length  $n = 13$ . Let  $\alpha$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity.
  - (a) Let  $C$  be a narrow-sense BCH code with designed distance  $d = 3$ . State the defining set of  $C$  and compute a lower bound on the minimum distance of  $C$ . Compute the dimension of  $C$ . 6 points
  - (b) For all  $0 \leq i < 13$  compute the cyclotomic cosets  $\mathcal{C}_i$  (with respect to  $\alpha$ ). 4 points
  - (c) Let  $C'$  be a BCH code (not necessarily narrow-sense) with designed distance  $d = 3$  and a defining set that is minimal for this distance. State such a minimal defining set of  $C'$  and compute a lower bound on the minimum distance of  $C'$ . Compute the dimension of  $C'$ . 6 points
  - (d) What do the Gilbert-Varshamov, Singleton, and Hamming bound say about the dimension of a ternary, linear code of length  $n = 13$  and minimum distance  $d = 3$ ? 8 points
  
3. This exercise is about factoring  $n = 2015$ . Obviously, 5 is a factor, so the rest of the exercise is about factoring the remaining factor  $m = 2015/5 = 403$ .
  - (a) Use Pollard's rho method of factorization to find a factor of 403. Use starting point  $x_0 = 2$ , iteration function  $x_{i+1} = x_i^2 + 1$  and Floyd's cycle finding method, i.e. compute  $\gcd(x_{2i} - x_i, 403)$  until a non-trivial gcd is found. Make sure to document the intermediate steps. 8 points

- (b) Perform one round of the Fermat test with base  $a = 2$  to test whether 31 is prime.

What is the answer of the Fermat test?

2 points

- (c) Perform one round of the Miller-Rabin test with base  $a = 2$  to test whether 31 is prime.

What is the answer of the Miller-Rabin test?

4 points

- (d) Use Dixon's factorization method to factor the number  $n = 403$  using  $a_1 = 22$ .

6 points

4. (a) Find all affine points on the Edwards curve  $x^2 + y^2 = 1 + 2x^2y^2$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{11}$ .

8 points

- (b) Verify that  $P = (3, 4)$  is on the curve. Compute the order of  $P$ .

8 points

- (c) Translate the curve **and**  $P$  to Montgomery form

$$Bv^2 = u^3 + Au^2 + u.$$

4 points

5. This exercise introduces the Paillier cryptosystem. Key generation works similar to that in RSA: Let  $p$  and  $q$  be large primes, put  $n = pq$ ,  $g = n + 1$ , and compute  $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$  and  $\mu \equiv \varphi(n)^{-1} \bmod n$ . The public key is  $(n, g)$ , the private key is  $(\varphi(n), \mu)$ .

To encrypt message  $m \in \mathbb{Z}/n$  pick a random  $1 \leq r < n$  with  $\gcd(r, n) = 1$  and compute the ciphertext  $c \equiv g^m \cdot r^n \bmod n^2$ . Note the computation is done modulo  $n^2$ , not modulo  $n$ .

To decrypt  $c \in \mathbb{Z}/n^2$  compute  $d \equiv c^{\varphi(n)} \bmod n^2$ . Consider  $d$  as an integer and observe that  $d - 1$  is a multiple of  $n$  (see below). Compute  $e = (d - 1)/n$  and obtain the message as  $m \equiv e\mu \bmod n$ .

- (a) Encrypt the message 123 to a user with public key  $(n, g) = (4087, 4088)$  using  $r = 11$ .

2 points

- (b) Your public key is  $(n, g) = (3127, 3128)$  and your secret key is  $(\varphi(n), \mu) = (3016, 2141)$ . Decrypt the ciphertext  $c = 8053838$ .

4 points

- (c) Compute symbolically (no particular value of  $n$  or  $r$ )  $\varphi(n^2)$  and  $r^{n\varphi(n)} \bmod n^2$ , using  $n = pq$ .

4 points

- (d) Compute symbolically (no particular value of  $n$  or  $m$ )  
 $g^{m\varphi(n)} \bmod n^2$ . 4 points
- (e) Explain why  $d - 1$  is a multiple of  $n$  and why decryption recovers  $m$ .  
**Hint: use the previous two parts.** 4 points
- (f) Let  $c_1$  be the encryption of  $m_1$  using some  $r_1$  and let  $c_2$  be the encryption of  $m_2$  using some  $r_2$ , both for the same public key  $(n, g)$ . Show that  $c \equiv c_1 c_2 \bmod n^2$  decrypts to  $m_1 + m_2$ .  
Make sure to justify your answer. 10 points