## Homework 6, MORALLY AND REALLY Due Mar 24

- 1. (10 points but you have to answer) What is your name? Write it clearly. Staple your HW.
- 2. (30 points) Let p = 59. Note that p is a safe prime. Find the first three generators of  $Z_p$ . Show all work. You may NOT use a calculator. (HINT1: Since p is safe you don't need to do that many calculations of  $g^a$ . HINT2: When computing  $g^a$  use the repeated squaring technique.) SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2

I won't really do this one but I'll say how to do it and start it.

p = 59. So  $p - 1 = 58 = 2 \times 29$ .

To test if g is a genreator mod 59 we only need to computer

 $g^2 \pmod{59}$  and  $g^{29} \pmod{59}$ . If NEITHER is 1 then g IS a generator SO, for  $g = 2, 3, 4, \ldots$  compute  $g^2 \pmod{59}$  and  $g^{29} \pmod{59}$ . Stop when you find three g's such that neither is 1.

END OF SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2.

- 3. (30 points) Let g be the third generator found in the last problem. Assume that Alice and Bob are going to do Diffie Helman with p = 59 and this value of g.
  - (a) Assume that Alice's secret random number is 10. What does Alice send Bob? (You may NOT use a calculator and you must show all work. HINT: use repeated squaring.)
  - (b) Assume that Bob's secret random number is 8. What does Bob send Alice? (You may NOT use a calculator and you must show all work. HINT: use repeated squaring.)
  - (c) Assuming that Alice's secret random number is 10 and Bob's is 8, what is the message they send? Express both as a number in {0, 1, ..., 58} and also as a number in binary.

SOL TO PROB 3

I won't really do it I'll just show you HOW to do it. Assume g IS the third generator from the last problem.

All arithmetic is mod 59.

a) Alice picks random 10. Alice sends  $g^{10}$  to Bob.

b) Bob picks random 8. Bob sends  $g^8$  to Alice.

c) Alice KNOWS 10 and KNOWS  $g^8$ . She computer  $(g^8)^{10} = g^{80}$ . Bob KNOWS 8 and KNOWS  $g^{10}$ . He computer  $(g^{10})^8 = g^{80}$ . THIS is there secret shared key.

- 4. (30 points)
  - (a) Show that if  $z^4 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$  then  $z \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$ .
  - (b) show that  $7^{1/4}$  is irrational.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM FOUR

 $ALL \equiv are \pmod{7}$ .

a) We prove the CONTRAPOSITIVE:  $z \neq 0$  implies  $z^4 \not 0$ .

Proof by cases.

 $z \equiv 1 \Rightarrow z^4 \equiv 1 \neq 0$   $z \equiv 2 \Rightarrow z^4 \equiv 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \equiv 8 \times 2 \equiv 21 \neq 0$   $z \equiv 3 \Rightarrow z^4 \equiv 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \equiv 9 \times 9 \equiv 2 \times 2 \equiv 4 \neq 0$ If  $z \equiv 4, 5, 6$  then  $z \equiv -3, -2, -1$ . Since  $(-1)^4 \equiv 1$  we get  $z^4 \equiv 3^4, 2^4, 1^4$  which we know from the above is  $\neq 0$ .

b) Assume, by way of contradiction, that  $7^{1/4} = \frac{a}{b}$ . WHERE a, b HAVE NOT COMMON FACTORS.

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7 = \frac{a^4}{b^4}
7b^4 = a^4
a^4 \equiv 0
BY PART A a \equiv 0.

a = 7x
7b^4 = a^4 = (7x)^4 = 7^4x^4
b^4 = 7^3x^4
b^4 \equiv 0
BY PART A b \equiv 0.
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SO, 7 divides both a, b. This contradicts a, b having no common factors.