

5. (a) Prove that, if n has a factor that is within $\sqrt[4]{n}$ of \sqrt{n} , then Fermat factorization works on the first try.

Or

- (b) Use the rho method with $F(x) = x^2 - 1$, $x_0 = 2$, $n = 91$ factor n . Also compare x_k only with x_j for which $j = 2^h - 1$, where k is an $(h + 1)$ - bit integer.
6. (a) Expand e in a continued fraction and try to guess a pattern in the integer a_i .

Or

- (b) Explain the algorithm of continued fraction method with example.

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Time : 3 hours

Full Marks : 80

Answer from both the Sections as per direction

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks
Candidates are required to answer in their own words
as far as practicable.*

(NUMBER THEORETIC CRYPTOGRAPHY-II)

SECTION—A

1. Answer any *four* of the following : 4 × 4
- (a) In F_9^* with α a root of $x^2 - x - 1$, Find the discrete logarithm of -1 to the base α .
- (b) Define vertices of a graph with example.
- (c) Find the smallest pseudoprime to the base 5.
- (d) Factor 4087 using $f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$ and $x_0 = 2$.

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- (e) Find the continued fraction representation of the following rational number $45/89$.

Or

2. Answer all questions : 2×8

- (a) What is Silver-Pohling-Hellmann algorithm?
(b) Give an example of discrete logarithm.
(c) Define pseudoprime.
(d) Find all bases for which 01 is a pseudoprime.
(e) Using Fermat factorization factor 4601.
(f) Find the continued fraction representation of the rational number $55/89$.
(g) Define factor base.
(h) Find the smallest pseudoprime to the base 2.

SECTION—B

Answer all questions : 16×4

(3)

3. (a) What is the percent likelihood that a random polynomial over F_2 of degree exactly 10 factors into a product of polynomials of degree ≤ 2 ? What is the likelihood that a random nonzero polynomial of degree at most 10 factors into such a product?

Or

- (b) Show that the superincreasing sequence with smallest v_i is the one with $v_i = 2^i$.
4. (a) Explain why being able to extract square roots modulo $n = pq$ is essentially equivalent to knowing the factorization of n .

Or

- (b) Let b be any integer greater than 1, let p be an odd prime not dividing b , $b-1$ or $b+1$, Set $n = (b^{2p} - 1)/(b^2 - 1)$
(i) Show that n is composite
(ii) Show that $2p/n - 1$.