

**M360 Mathematics of Information Security**

practice exam 12/07/05

not graded!

**Exercise # 1** ( points)If  $22 = 5^x \pmod{37}$ , what is  $x$ ? Use the Pohlig Hellman algorithm.**Exercise # 2** ( points)On the elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_{29}$  defined by  $y^2 = x^3 + 4x + 20$ , compute

a)  $(5, 22) + (16, 27)$

b)  $2 \cdot (5, 22)$

**Exercise # 3** ( points)a) How many points over  $\mathbb{F}_5$  has the elliptic curve defined by  $y^2 = x^3 + 3x$ ?b) How many points over  $\mathbb{F}_5$  has the elliptic curve defined by  $y^2 = x^3 + 4x$ ?

c) Is the group in a) cyclic?

d) Is the group in b) cyclic?

**Exercise # 4** ( points)

Describe a few facts and properties which a projective plane has which an affine plane doesn't have.

**Exercise # 5** ( points)Verify the entry  $(2, 8)$  (start counting from zero) in the Rijndael  $S$ -box. You may use the programs on the course web page to do calculations.**Exercise # 6** ( points)

Find the missing digit to make the number

236\_014

divisible by 66.

**Exercise # 7** ( points)

- a) Convert 712 into binary, convert  $(101010111)_2$  into decimal.
- b) Convert  $(6651)_7$  into base 9.

**Exercise # 8** ( points)

Find the last two digits of  $666^{999}$ .

**Exercise # 9** ( points)

- a) Find all four solutions to  $x^2 \equiv 133 \pmod{153}$
- b) Find all two solutions to  $x^2 \equiv 136 \pmod{153}$

**Exercise # 10** ( points)

- a) Is  $X^5 + X^2 + 1$  irreducible over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ ?
- b) Is  $X^5 + X + 1$  irreducible over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ ?

**Exercise # 11** ( points)

Decipher the following affine ciphertext, using that the plaintext starts with “h” and ends with “y”

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**Exercise # 12** ( points)

Decipher the following Vigenère ciphertext, using that the key is “snow.”

**wyzehgwyuhfrwfzenrwjhcfwphenrglsp**