

Algebra 1 (2012)-Aalborg University

Lecture 6, September 25th

6th Lecture: Tuesday September 25th.

I will not be present during this lecture.

- Work in groups. Exercises A, B.

Exercise A: Answer briefly to the following questions about RSA:

- How are the public and private keys generated?
- How does the sender encrypt a message?
- How does the receiver decrypt a message?
- How can the receiver be sure that he/she will recover the original message?
- Why cannot an encrypted message be decrypted without the private key?

Exercise B: Compute in Maple an example of RSA:

- Determine N , p and q at your choice.
- Choose the encryption exponent e and compute the decryption exponent d . (Hint: exercise 1.13).
- Determine a message X and encrypt it using e .
- Decrypt the encrypted message using d .

You can find some help for Maple in the slides for lecture 6 and in Mapleprimes.

Each group can write their solution for exercises A and B and leave it in my mailbox (just one set of exercises per group). You can print exercise B and/or email me your Maple Worksheet.

- Lecture: This part will consist of self-study in the group rooms. The topic is “RSA explained” (section 1.9, pages 24–29). You are welcome to orientate the teacher, by e-mail, about the successes and difficulties during the lecture.

Best regards,

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