

# Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- AES or DES "keys" (DH-key xchange)
- RSA provides one soln for key
- DH-key xchange

① Either Alice or Bob selects a large, secure prime  $p$  and a primitive root  $\alpha \pmod{p}$ . Both  $p$  &  $\alpha$  can be made public.

② Alice chooses a secret random  $x$  ( $1 \leq x \leq p-2$ ) and Bob selects a secret random  $y$  ( $1 \leq y \leq p-2$ )

③ Alice sends  $\alpha^x \pmod{p}$  to Bob and Bob sends  $\alpha^y \pmod{p}$  to Alice

④ Using the messages they receive they can calculate the session key

For Alice  $K = (\alpha^y)^x \pmod{p}$

For Bob  $K = (\alpha^x)^y \pmod{p}$

$\therefore$  Both have same no.  $K$ , a key could be, so, middle 56 bits of  $K$  to obtain a DES key.

- System is secure  $\because$  discrete log is difficult to solve

Formally,

### Problem 7.1. Discrete Log

Instance:  $A \times \text{gp. } (G, \cdot)$ , an element  $\alpha \in G$  having order  $n$  and an element  $\beta \in \langle \alpha \rangle$

$$\{\alpha^i : 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$$

Question: Find the integer  $a$ ,  $0 \leq a \leq n-1$

s.t.  $\alpha^a = \beta$

$$a := L_\alpha(\beta)$$

### THE ELGAMAL CRYPTOSYSTEM

- Dis. log problem in  $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, \cdot)$

#### Cryptosystem 7.1 Elgamal Public-key cryptosystem in $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$

Let  $p$  be prime s.t. Dis. log problem in  $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, \cdot)$  is infeasible and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  be a p.e. Let  $P = \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ ,  $C = \mathbb{Z}_p^* \times \mathbb{Z}_p^*$

and define

$$K = \{(p, \alpha, a, \beta) : \beta \equiv \alpha^a \pmod{p}\}$$

The values  $p, \alpha$ , and  $\beta$  are public key.  
 $a$  is a private key



For  $K = (k, \alpha, a, \beta)$  and for  $a$  (secret)

random no.  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$  define

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Plaintext} \\ \downarrow \\ e_K(x, K) = (y_1, y_2) \rightarrow \text{ciphertext} \end{array}$$

$$\text{where } y_1 = 2^k \bmod p$$

$$\& y_2 = x \beta^k \bmod p$$

For  $y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  define

$$d_K(y_1, y_2) = y_2 (\cancel{y_1}) (y_1)^{-1} \bmod p$$

**Example**  $p = 2579$  and  $\alpha = 2$

Note  $\phi(\alpha) = p-1$

let  $a = 765$

$$\beta = 2^{765} \bmod 2579 = 949$$

Suppose Alice wishes to send the message  $x = 1299$  to Bob, say  $k = 853$  is the random integer she chooses. Then

$$y_1 = 2^{853} \bmod 2579 = 435$$

$$\& y_2 = 1299 \times 949^{853} \bmod 2579 \\ = 2396$$

When Bob receives ciphertext  $(435, 2396)$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{he computes } x = 2396 \times (435^{765})^{-1} \bmod 2579 \\ = 1299 \\ \text{plaintext} \end{array}$$



Elgamal cryptosystem can be implemented in

- ① The  $\times$  gp. of the  $< \infty$  field  $\mathbb{F}_p^n$
- ② The group of an elliptic curve defined over a  $< \infty$  field.

## Elliptic Curves

- ①  $\mathbb{R}$   $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $4a^3 + 27b^2 \neq 0$

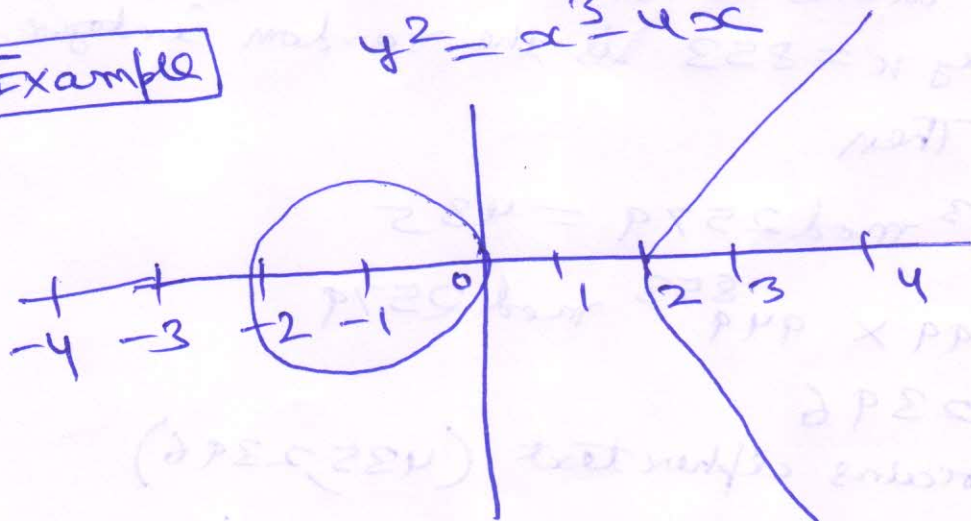
A non-singular elliptic curve is the set of solns.  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  to the

$$y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$$

together with a special pt.  $\odot$  the pt. at  $\infty$ .

Example

$$y^2 = x^3 - 4x$$



Note: The  $x^3 + ax + b = 0$  has 3 distinct roots (may be  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ) iff  $4a^3 + 27b^2 \neq 0$

— If  $4a^3 + 27b^2 = 0$  — singular elliptic curve.



Group

$E$  : Non-singular elliptic curve

$\langle E, + \rangle$  abelian gp.

①  $P + O = O + P = P \quad \forall P \in E \quad O \rightarrow \text{pt. at } \infty$

②  $P, Q \in E, \quad P = (x_1, y_1) \neq Q = (x_2, y_2)$

Case ①  $x_1 \neq x_2$

Case ②  $x_1 = x_2 \text{ \& } y_1 = -y_2$

Case ③  $x_1 = x_2 \text{ \& } y_1 = y_2$

① Case ①  $L$  line through  $P \neq Q$ ,  $L$  intersects in two pts  $P \neq Q$   
 $L$  will intersect in one other pt.  $R'$   
if we reflect  $R'$  in the  $x$ -axis we get a pt.  $R$

$\therefore$  we define  $P + Q = R$

Formula Eq<sup>n</sup> of  $L$  is  $y = \lambda x + \vartheta$

slope  $\lambda = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$  and

$\vartheta = y_1 - \lambda x_1 = y_2 - \lambda x_2$

To find pts. in  $E \cap L$  put  $y = \lambda x + \vartheta$  in eq<sup>n</sup> of  $E$  we get

$(\lambda x + \vartheta)^2 = x^3 + ax + b \quad (*)$

$\Rightarrow x^3 - \lambda^2 x^2 + (a - 2\lambda\vartheta)x + b - \vartheta^2 = 0$

Roots are  $x$ -coordinates of pts. in  $E \cap L$

We know 2 pts in  $E \cap L$ ,  $P \neq Q$   $\therefore$

$x_1, x_2$  are roots of eq<sup>n</sup> (\*)

$\therefore x_1, x_2$  are reals  $\Rightarrow x_3$  is also real

Also sum of roots  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = \lambda^2$

$\therefore x_3 = \lambda^2 - x_1 - x_2$

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$x_3$  is the  $x$ -coordinate of  $R'$   
 If  $y$ -coordinate of  $R'$  is  $-y_3$   
 So  $y$ -coordinate of  $R = y_3$

Now slope of  $L$ , namely  $\lambda$  is determined by any 2 pts on  $L$

$(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_3, -y_3)$  are pts.

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-y_3 - y_1}{x_3 - x_1}$$

$$\therefore y_3 = \lambda(x_1 - x_3) - y_1$$

$\therefore$  the formula for  $P+Q$  in case ① is

if  $x_1 \neq x_2$  then

$$(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_3, y_3)$$

$$\text{where } x_3 = x_1 - x_2$$

$$y_3 = \lambda(x_1 - x_3) - y_1 \text{ and}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

**Case ②** where  $x_1 = x_2$  &  $y_1 = -y_2$  is simple.

$$(x, y) + (x, -y) = \mathcal{O} \quad \forall (x, y) \in E$$

$\therefore (x, y) \neq (x, -y)$  are inv. w.r to  $+$

Adding a pt.

**Case ③**  $P = (x_1, y_1)$  to itself

We can assume that  $y_1 \neq 0$  (otherwise we will have case ②)

similar to case 1  $L$  is tangent to  $E$  at the pt.  $P$ .

Diff. eq<sup>n</sup> of  $E$ ,

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 + a$$

Put  $x = x_1$  &  $y = y_1$  slope of the tangent is

$$\lambda = \frac{3x_1^2 + a}{2y_1}$$

$\lambda$  is diff

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# Example

$$E: y^2 = x^3 + x + 6 \text{ over } \mathbb{Z}_{11}$$

$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}$  check if  $z = x^3 + x + 6 \pmod{11}$

is q.r.  
using Euler's Criteria

For prime  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$   $y$  is q.r. mod  $p$

$$\begin{aligned} (\pm y^{(p+1)/4})^2 &\equiv y^{(p+1)/2} \pmod{p} \quad \text{then } y^{(p-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \\ &\equiv y^{(p-1)/2} \cdot y \pmod{p} \\ &\equiv y \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pm z^{(11+1)/4} \pmod{11} = \pm z^3 \pmod{11}$$

Pts. on elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + x + 6$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}$

$x$	$x^3 + x + 6 \pmod{11}$	q.r.?	$y$
0	6	no	
1	8	no	
2	5	yes	4, 7
3	3	yes	5, 6
4	8	no	
5	4	yes	2, 9
6	3	no	
7	4	yes	2, 9
8	9	yes	3, 8
9	7	no	
10	4	yes	2, 9

$E$  has 13 pts.  $\Rightarrow E \cong \mathbb{Z}_{13}$  (cyclic gp.)

let  $\alpha = (2, 7) \in E$

$$\Rightarrow 2\alpha = (2, 7) + (2, 7)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = (3 \times 2^2 + 1)(2 \times 7)^{-1} \pmod{11}$$
$$= 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x_3 = 8^2 - 2 - 2 \pmod{11} = 5$$

$$\& y_3 = 8(2 - 5) - 7 \pmod{11} = 2$$

$$\therefore 2\alpha = (5, 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\alpha = 2\alpha + \alpha = (5, 2) + (2, 7) = (8, 3)$$

& so on

$$\alpha = (2, 7) \quad 2\alpha = (5, 2) \quad 3\alpha = (8, 3)$$

$$4\alpha = (10, 2) \quad 5\alpha = (3, 6) \quad 6\alpha = (7, 9)$$

$$7\alpha = (7, 2) \quad 8\alpha = (3, 5) \quad 9\alpha = (10, 9)$$

$$10\alpha = (8, 8) \quad 11\alpha = (5, 9) \quad 12\alpha = (2, 4)$$

$\therefore \alpha = (2, 7)$  is a p.e. one pt.  $\odot$  at  $\infty$ .



## Properties of Elliptic Curves

$E$  is an e.c. over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  ( $q = p^n$ )

then  $q + 1 - 2\sqrt{q} \leq \#E \leq q + 1 + 2\sqrt{q}$

Th.  $E$  e.c. over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  ( $q = p^n$ ) for some prime  $p$   
then  $\exists n_1 \neq n_2$  ( $> 0$ ) integers s.t.

$(E, +) \cong \mathbb{Z}_{n_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{n_2}$ . Further,  $n_2 | n_1$

Remark: ①  $n_2 = 1$  iff  $E$  is a cyclic gp.

② If  $\#E$  is a prime or  $\times$  of distinct primes  
then  $E$  must be a cyclic gp.

③ If integers  $n_1 \neq n_2$  are computed then  
 $(E, +)$  has a cyclic  $\leq \cong \mathbb{Z}_{n_1}$  that can  
be used as a setting for an Elgamal cryptosystem.

## Elgamal Cryptosystem on Elliptic Curves

Dis. Log. on  $E$

$P, Q \in E$

$$Q = mP$$

$m \rightarrow$  private key  
difficult to determine

— A (non- $\infty$ ) pt. on an elliptic curve  $E$  is a pair  $(x, y)$ , where  $y^2 \equiv x^3 + ax + b \pmod{p}$

— Given a value for  $x$ , there are two possible values for  $y$  (unless  $x^3 + ax + b \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ )

These values are  $-ve$  of each other mod  $p$ . Since  $p$  is odd one of the value  $x$  mod  $p$  is even and the other is odd.

$\therefore$  we can determine a  $1^o$  pt.  $P = (x, y)$  on  $E$  by specifying the value of  $x$  together with single bit  $y \bmod 2$ . This reduces storage  $50\%$ .

Point-compress:  $E \setminus \{O\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_2$

Point-decompress  $(P) = (x, y \bmod 2)$ ,  $P = (x, y) \in E$

The inv. Point decompress is

**Algo 7.5**

Point-Decompress  $(x, i)$

$z \leftarrow x^3 + ax + b \bmod p$

if  $z$  is a q.n.r. mod  $p$

then return ("failure")

else  $\begin{cases} y \leftarrow \sqrt{z} \bmod p \\ \text{if } y \equiv i \pmod{2} \\ \text{then return } (x, y) \\ \text{else return } (x, p-y) \end{cases}$

Note  $\sqrt{z}$  can be computed as  $z^{(p+1)/4} \bmod p$   
provided  $p \equiv 3 \bmod 4$   
and  $z$  is q.r. mod  $p$   
(or  $z=0$ )



# Elliptic Curve ElGamal

$E$  elliptic curve defined over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$   
( $p > 3$ )

s.t. that  $E$  containing a cyclic  $\leq H = \langle P \rangle$   
of prime order  $n$  in which Disc. Log prob  
is infeasible.

let  $h: E \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$  be a secure hash fn.

$P = \mathbb{Z}_p$  and  $G = (\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_2) \times \mathbb{Z}_p$

Define  $K = \{ (E, P, m, Q, n, h) : Q = mP \}$

$P, Q \in E$  &  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$

$E, P, Q, n$  &  $h$  are public key

$m$  private key

For  $k = (E, P, m, Q, n, h)$ , for a (secret) random  
no.  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  and for a plaintext  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

$c_k(x, k) = (\text{Point-compress}(kP), x + h(RQ) \bmod p)$

For a ciphertext  $y = (y_1, y_2)$   
 $y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_2$   
&  $y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

$d_k(y) = y_2 - h(R) \bmod p$

$R = m \text{ Point-decompress}(y_1).$

Example E.C.  $y^2 = x^3 + x + 6$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}$

$P = (2, 7)$  Bob's private key is  $m = 7$

$$\therefore Q = 7P = (7, 2)$$

Alice wants to encrypt the plaintext  $x = 9$   
she chooses the random value  $k = 6$

$$\Rightarrow kP = 6(2, 7) = (7, 9)$$

$$\& kQ = 6(7, 2) = (8, 3)$$

Suppose  $h(8, 3) = 4$  (only for illustration)

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = \text{POINTCOMPRESS}(7, 9) = (7, 1)$$

$$\& y_2 = 9 + 4 \bmod 11 = 2$$

$\therefore$  ciphertext is  $y = (y_1, y_2) = ((7, 1), 2)$

After receiving the ciphertext Bob computes

$$\text{POINT-DECOMPRESS}(7, 1) = (7, 9)$$

$$7(7, 9) = (8, 3)$$

$$h(8, 3) = 4$$

$$\text{and } 2 - 4 \bmod 11 = 9 \text{ (plaintext)}$$

