

DIFFIE HELLMAN

Approach Note

Steps of Approach

1. I will open a project in Visual Studio, add header files and other libraries like Open SSL3, LibreSSL 3.
2. Once a successful project is created, I will create a variable p which will contain a random prime number.
3. We will find the primitive roots of prime number p which will be assigned to variable q .
 - a. To find the primitive root of p we will use a loop which will check each and every value which comes before p in the whole number series.
 - b. To check; we will calculate the mod of q^1 to q^{p-1} with respect to p .
 - c. If the values received after mod are different, then that value q is the primitive root of prime number p .
4. If more than one primitive roots are found, I will select the primitive root which is largest out of all the roots and assign that value to a variable q .
5. In this step I will generate two random numbers which will be assigned to variables like a and b which will be the private keys of the clients who are trying to interact.
6. With the help of these private keys a and b we will create public keys pa and pb with the help of this formula $pa = q^a \text{ Mod } p$. Similarly, $pb = q^b \text{ Mod } p$.
7. This public key pa and pb will be exchanged between the clients meaning **clientB** will use public key A and **clientA** will use public key B .
 - a. Now **clientA** will use public key B in the formula - $x_A = B^a \text{ Mod } p$ and **clientB** will use public key A in the formula - $x_B = A^b \text{ Mod } p$.
8. Numbers x_A and x_B are compared with each other. If both of them are equal to each other this means that **clientA** and **clientB** are connected securely and they can start communicating with each other.

Step 8 is the end result to this algorithm.