

Cryptography

Lecture 18

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- Modern Crypto Approach
- A Little Number Theory
- Today: A Tiny Bit of Group Theory

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Definition of a Group

A group is a set G with a binary operation (\cdot) such that:

- Closure: $\forall g, h \in G, g \cdot h \in G$
- Identity: \exists element $1_G \in G$ s.t. $\forall g \in G, 1_G \cdot g = g \cdot 1_G = g$
- Inverse: $\forall g \in G, \exists h \in G$ s.t. $g \cdot h = h \cdot g = 1_G$
- Associativity: $\forall g_1, g_2, g_3 \in G, (g_1 \cdot g_2) \cdot g_3 = g_1 \cdot (g_2 \cdot g_3)$

Additional definitions:

- G is *abelian* if commutativity holds: $\forall g, h \in G, g \cdot h = h \cdot g$
- $|G|$ - *order* of G (number of elements in G) - For us $|G| < \infty$
- Exponentiation in G : $g^x = g \cdot g \cdots g$ (x times)

Examples:

- The integers, \mathbb{Z} , form an abelian group under addition
- The integers, \mathbb{Z} , are not a group under multiplication (no inverses)
- $\mathbb{Z}_N = \{1, \dots, N-1\}$ is a group under addition mod N

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- Proof (for abelian groups):

Consider $(gg_1), (gg_2), \dots, (gg_m)$ where $g_1, \dots, g_m \in G$

Since $(gg_i) = (gg_j)$ iff $g_i = g_j$ (by [1]), each of the (gg_i) is distinct

Now, we have that

$$g_1 \cdot g_2 \cdots g_m = (gg_1) \cdot (gg_2) \cdots (gg_m) = g^m \cdot (g_1 \cdot g_2 \cdots g_m)$$

First equality holds because the (gg_i) are all possible values in G .

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Let $x = qm + r$ where $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $r = [x \bmod m]$

$$g^x = g^{qm+r} = g^{qm} \cdot g^r = (g^m)^q \cdot g^r = 1_G^q \cdot g^r = g^r$$

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For any $g \in G$, we have:

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but, $\langle 3 \rangle = \{1, 3, 9 = 2, 6, 4, 5\}$ is a generator

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Remove $\overbrace{p, 2p, \dots, (q-1)p}^{q-1}$ and $\overbrace{q, 2q, \dots, (p-1)q}^{p-1}$

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$$a^x = a^{x \bmod \phi(N)}$$

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