

Cryptography

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange and ElGamal Cryptosystem

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Exponentiation and Logarithms

- Exponentiation and logarithms are the inverse functions of each other

$$\text{Exponentiation: } y = a^x \rightarrow \text{Logarithms: } x = \log_a y$$

- a is called the base of the logarithm
- In cryptography, we use **modular exponentiation**:

$$y = a^x \bmod n$$

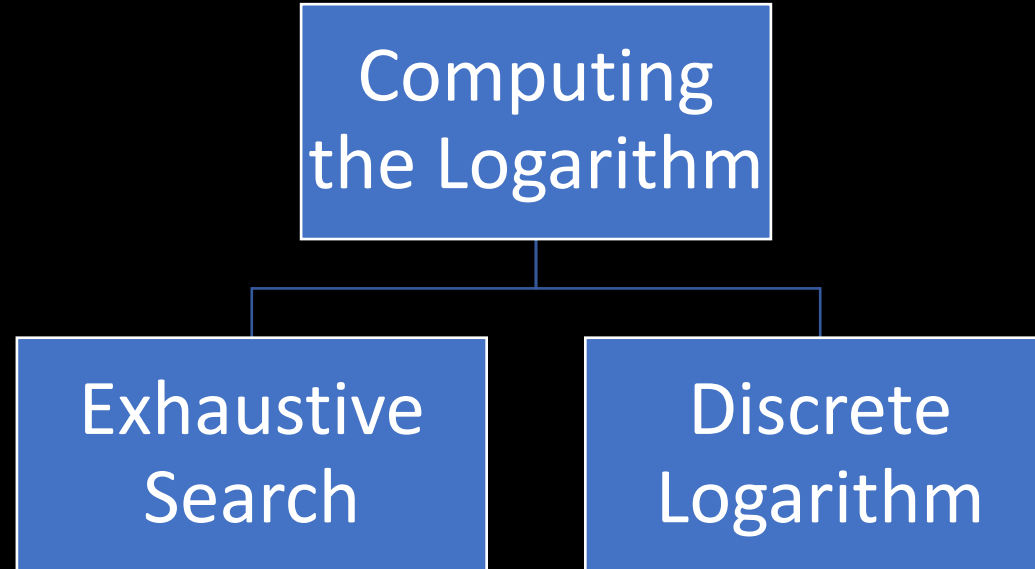
- This is used for encryption/decryption
 - E.g., ElGamal

Exponentiation and Logarithms

- **Exponentiation for encryption → logarithms for breaking a cipher**
- **HOW HARD IS IT?**

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- **Exponentiation for encryption** → **logarithms for breaking a cipher**
- HOW HARD IS IT?
- Two ways to reverse the exponentiation → $x = \log_a y \pmod n$:



Exponentiation and Logarithms

- Exhaustive search = brute force
- Try all possible values of x that satisfy $y = a^x \bmod n$
 - Very inefficient!

Modular_Logarithm (a, y, n)

```
{  
    for ( $x = 1$  to  $n - 1$ )  
    {  
        if ( $y \equiv a^x \bmod n$ ) return  $x$   
    }  
    return failure  
}
```

Exponentiation and Logarithms

- The second way is using **discrete logarithm**.
- To understand the discrete logarithms, we need to learn some concepts:

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Finite Multiplicative Group

$$G = \langle \mathbb{Z}_n, \cdot \rangle$$

- A group is a set of elements with a binary operation " \cdot "
 - The elements are modulo n
- It has four properties:

Axiom	Relation	Meaning
Closure	$a, b \in G \rightarrow c = a \cdot b \in G$	The result of applying the operation on two elements in the set is another element in the set
Associativity	$a, b, c \in G \rightarrow (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$	The order of operations doesn't matter
Existence of identity	$\forall a \in G, \exists e \mid e \cdot a = a$	Every element has an identity element
Existence of inverse	$\forall a \in G, \exists a^{-1} \mid a \cdot a^{-1} = 1$	Every element has an inverse element

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$$G = \langle \mathbb{Z}_n^*, \times \rangle$$

- A group is a set of elements with a binary operation “ \times ”
 - The elements are modulo n
 - The integers in the set are relatively prime to n
- It has four properties:

Axiom	Relation	Meaning
Closure	$a, b \in G \rightarrow c = a \times b \in G$	The result of applying the operation on two elements in the set is another element in the set
Associativity	$a, b, c \in G \rightarrow (a \times b) \times c = a \times (b \times c)$	The order of operations doesn't matter
Existence of identity	$\forall a \in G, \exists e \mid e \times a = a$	$e = 1$
Existence of inverse	$\forall a \in G, \exists a' \mid a \times a' = 1$	$a' = EGCD(a, n)$

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- Example: let $n = 7$:
- So $G = \langle Z_7^*, \times \rangle = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

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Axiom	Relation
Closure	$(4 \times 5) \bmod 7 = 6$
Associativity	$[(2 + 3) + 4] \bmod 7 = [2 + (3 + 4)] \bmod 7 = 2$
Existence of identity	$(5 \times 1) \bmod 7 = 5$
Existence of inverse	$(4 \times 2) \bmod 7 = 1 \mid \text{egcd}(4, 7) = 1$

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- $|G|$ = number of elements in the group
- **Example:** $G = \langle \mathbb{Z}_7^*, \times \rangle = 6$

How to find the order of the group with modulus n ?

- Note that the order of the group doesn't have to be $n - 1$.
 - We need to count the number of elements that are relatively prime with n .

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- $|G|$ = number of elements in the group
- **Example:** $G = \langle \mathbb{Z}_7^*, \times \rangle = 6$
- If the group modulus n can be factored into prime factors, we can use Euler's totient function
- **Example:** $G = \langle \mathbb{Z}_{21}^*, \times \rangle = \phi(21) = \phi(3) \times \phi(7) = (3 - 1) \times (7 - 1) = 12$
- The elements are $\{1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 13, 16, 17, 19, 20\}$
 - These are relatively prime with 21

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- $ord(a)$ is the smallest integer $i \mid a^i \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$
- **Example:** find the order of all elements in $G = \langle Z_{10}^*, \times \rangle$

$G = \{1, 3, 7, 9\}$ (use Lagrange theorem for faster computations)

a) $1^1 \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \rightarrow ord(1) = 1$

b) $3^1 \equiv 3 \pmod{10}; 3^2 \equiv 9 \pmod{10}; 3^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \rightarrow ord(3) = 4$

c) $7^1 \equiv 7 \pmod{10}; 7^2 \equiv 9 \pmod{10}; 7^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \rightarrow ord(7) = 4$

d) $9^1 \equiv 9 \pmod{10}; 9^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \rightarrow ord(9) = 2$

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- If $a \in G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$, then $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod n$
- **Example:** for $G = \langle Z_8^*, \times \rangle = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$, we have $\phi(8) = 4$
 - For $i = \phi(n) = 4 \rightarrow x = 1$ for every a
 - The values of $x = 1$ for many values of i

	$i = 1$	$i = 2$	$i = 3$	$i = 4$	$i = 5$	$i = 6$	$i = 7$
$a = 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$
$a = 3$	$x: 3$	$x: 1$	$x: 3$	$x: 1$	$x: 3$	$x: 1$	$x: 3$
$a = 5$	$x: 5$	$x: 1$	$x: 5$	$x: 1$	$x: 5$	$x: 1$	$x: 5$
$a = 7$	$x: 7$	$x: 1$	$x: 7$	$x: 1$	$x: 7$	$x: 1$	$x: 7$

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- If $a \in G = \langle g \rangle$
- **Example:** for $n = 7$
 - For $i = \phi(n)$
 - The values

Useful for

1. Computing large modular exponentiations
2. Computing modular inverses

$$a^{\phi(n)-1} \equiv a^{-1} \pmod{n}$$

$a = 1$	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1
$a = 3$	x: 3	x: 1	x: 3	x: 1	x: 3	x: 1	x: 3
$a = 5$	x: 5	x: 1	x: 5	x: 1	x: 5	x: 1	x: 5
$a = 7$	x: 7	x: 1	x: 7	x: 1	x: 7	x: 1	x: 7

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Primitive root

- In $G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$, if $\text{ord}(a) = \phi(n) \rightarrow a$ is called the primitive root of G .
- **Example:** $G = \langle Z_8^*, \times \rangle = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$, $\phi(8) = 4$ has **no** primitive roots.
 - Recall that the order should be the smallest $i \mid a^i \equiv 1 \pmod n$
 - The order of all elements are all smaller than 4

	$i = 1$	$i = 2$	$i = 3$	$i = 4$	$i = 5$	$i = 6$	$i = 7$
$a = 1$	x: 1	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$	$x: 1$
$a = 3$	$x: 3$	x: 1	$x: 3$	$x: 1$	$x: 3$	$x: 1$	$x: 3$
$a = 5$	$x: 5$	x: 1	$x: 5$	$x: 1$	$x: 5$	$x: 1$	$x: 5$
$a = 7$	$x: 7$	x: 1	$x: 7$	$x: 1$	$x: 7$	$x: 1$	$x: 7$

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Primitive root

- For $G = \langle \mathbb{Z}_7^*, \times \rangle$, $\phi(7) = 6$ has two primitive roots at $a = 3, 5$ because $\text{ord}(3) = 6$ and $\text{ord}(5) = 6$

		$i = 1$	$i = 2$	$i = 3$	$i = 4$	$i = 5$	$i = 6$
	$a = 1$	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1	x: 1
	$a = 2$	x: 2	x: 4	x: 1	x: 2	x: 4	x: 1
Primitive root \rightarrow	$a = 3$	x: 3	x: 2	x: 6	x: 4	x: 5	x: 1
	$a = 4$	x: 4	x: 2	x: 1	x: 4	x: 2	x: 1
Primitive root \rightarrow	$a = 5$	x: 5	x: 4	x: 6	x: 2	x: 3	x: 1
	$a = 6$	x: 6	x: 1	x: 6	x: 1	x: 6	x: 1

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- Rule: The group $G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$ has primitive roots only if $n = 2, 4, p^t$ or $2p^t$ | p is an odd prime number (not 2) and t is an integer
- **Example:** For which value of n , does the $G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$ have primitive roots: 17, 20, 38, and 50?
 - $G = \langle Z_{17}^*, \times \rangle$ has primitive roots; 17 is prime and $t = 1$
 - $G = \langle Z_{20}^*, \times \rangle$ has no primitive roots
 - $G = \langle Z_{38}^*, \times \rangle$ has primitive roots; $38 = 2 \times 19$ and 19 is a prime
 - $G = \langle Z_{50}^*, \times \rangle$ has primitive roots; $50 = 2 \times 5^2$ and 5 is a prime

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- Rule:

If the group $G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$ has primitive roots, the number of primitive roots = $\phi(\phi(n))$

- Example: the number of primitive root in $G = \langle Z_{17}^*, \times \rangle$ is $\phi(\phi(17)) = \phi(16) = 8$.

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Primitive root

- Three questions arise:

Given an element a and the group $G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$, how to check whether a is a primitive root of G ? **This is not an easy task.**

- We need to find $\phi(n)$, which is as difficult as factorization of n .
- We need to check whether $\text{ord}(a) = \phi(n)$.

Given a group $G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$, how to **find all primitive roots** of G ?

[-] This is **more difficult**; repeat part b for all elements of the group.

Given a group $G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$, how can we **select** a primitive root of G given that the value of n is chosen by the user and **only the user knows** $\phi(n)$.

[-] The user tries several elements until he or she finds the first one.

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Cyclic group

- If $G = \langle Z_n^*, \times \rangle$ has primitive roots \rightarrow it's cyclic group
- Each root works as a **generator** to generate all the elements in the set.
 - $Z_n^* = \{g^1, g^2, \dots, g^{\phi(n)}\}$, where g is primitive root
- **Example:** $G = \langle Z_{10}^*, \times \rangle$ has $\phi(\phi(10)) = 2$ primitive roots, which are 3, 7
 - Both 3 and 7 can be used to generate whole set:

$g = 3 \rightarrow$	$g^1 \bmod 10 = 3$	$g^2 \bmod 10 = 9$	$g^3 \bmod 10 = 7$	$g^4 \bmod 10 = 1$
$g = 7 \rightarrow$	$g^1 \bmod 10 = 7$	$g^2 \bmod 10 = 9$	$g^3 \bmod 10 = 3$	$g^4 \bmod 10 = 1$

Exponentiation and Logarithms

- The idea of discrete logarithm is to solve

$$y = g^x \pmod{n}$$

We know n, g, y and interested to compute $x \rightarrow x = \log_g y$

- **Example:** Find x in each of the following cases:

a. $4 \equiv 3^x \pmod{7} \rightarrow x = \log_3 4 \pmod{7} = 4$

b. $6 \equiv 5^x \pmod{7} \rightarrow x = \log_5 6 \pmod{7} = 3$

- Check this calculator: <https://www.alpertron.com.ar/DILOG.HTM>

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- It is HARD to compute the discrete logarithms when n is very LARGE

The **discrete logarithm** problem has the same complexity as the **factorization problem**.

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Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- DH allows two users to securely exchange secret values.
 - E.g., the secret keys of symmetric encryption algorithms.
- DH depends on the problem of **discrete logarithms** as a hard problem.
- For any integer b and a primitive root a of prime number p , we can find a unique exponent i such that

$$b \equiv a^i \pmod{p}$$

The exponent i is called the **discrete logarithm** $\rightarrow dlog_{a,p}(b)$

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange



Alice



Bob

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

Alice

Alice and Bob share a prime number q and an integer α , such that $\alpha < q$ and α is a primitive root of q

α and q are
public values

Bob

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Bob generates a private key X_B such that $X_B < q$

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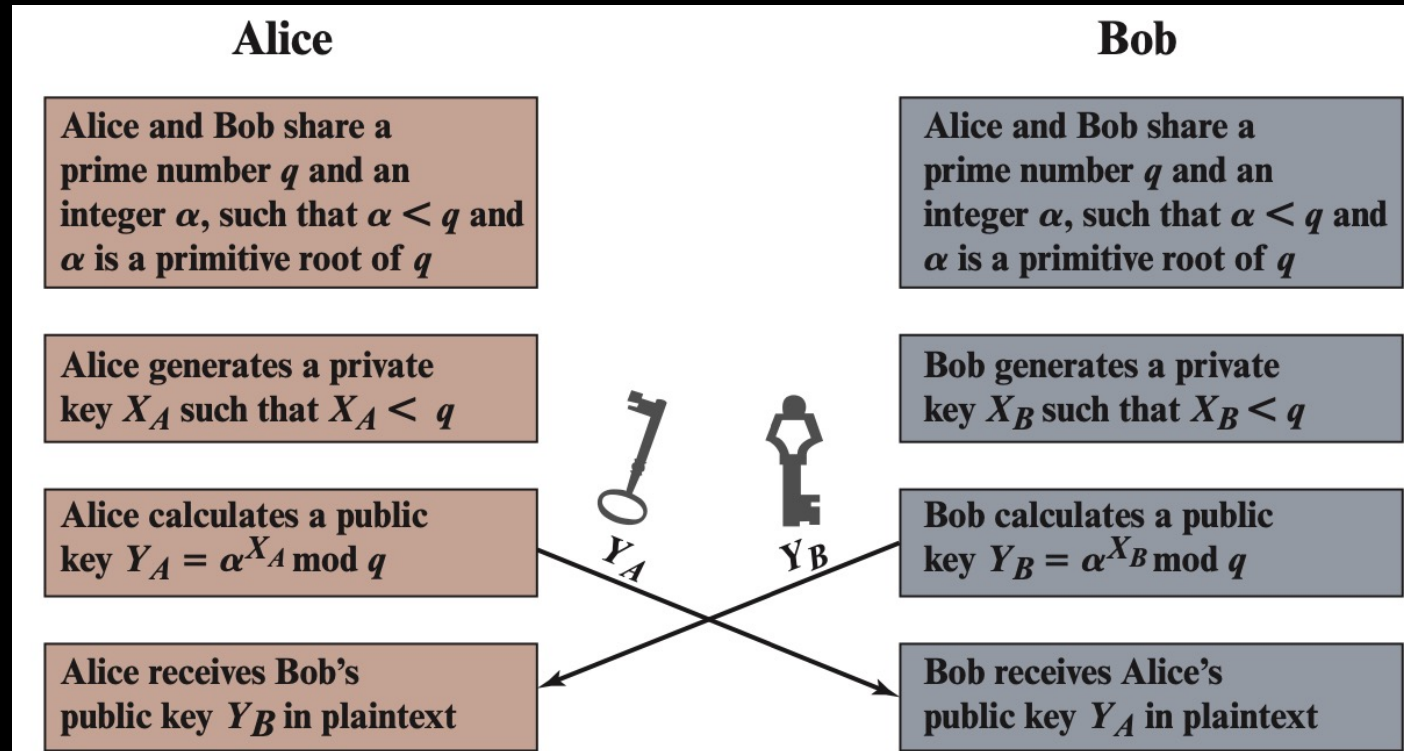
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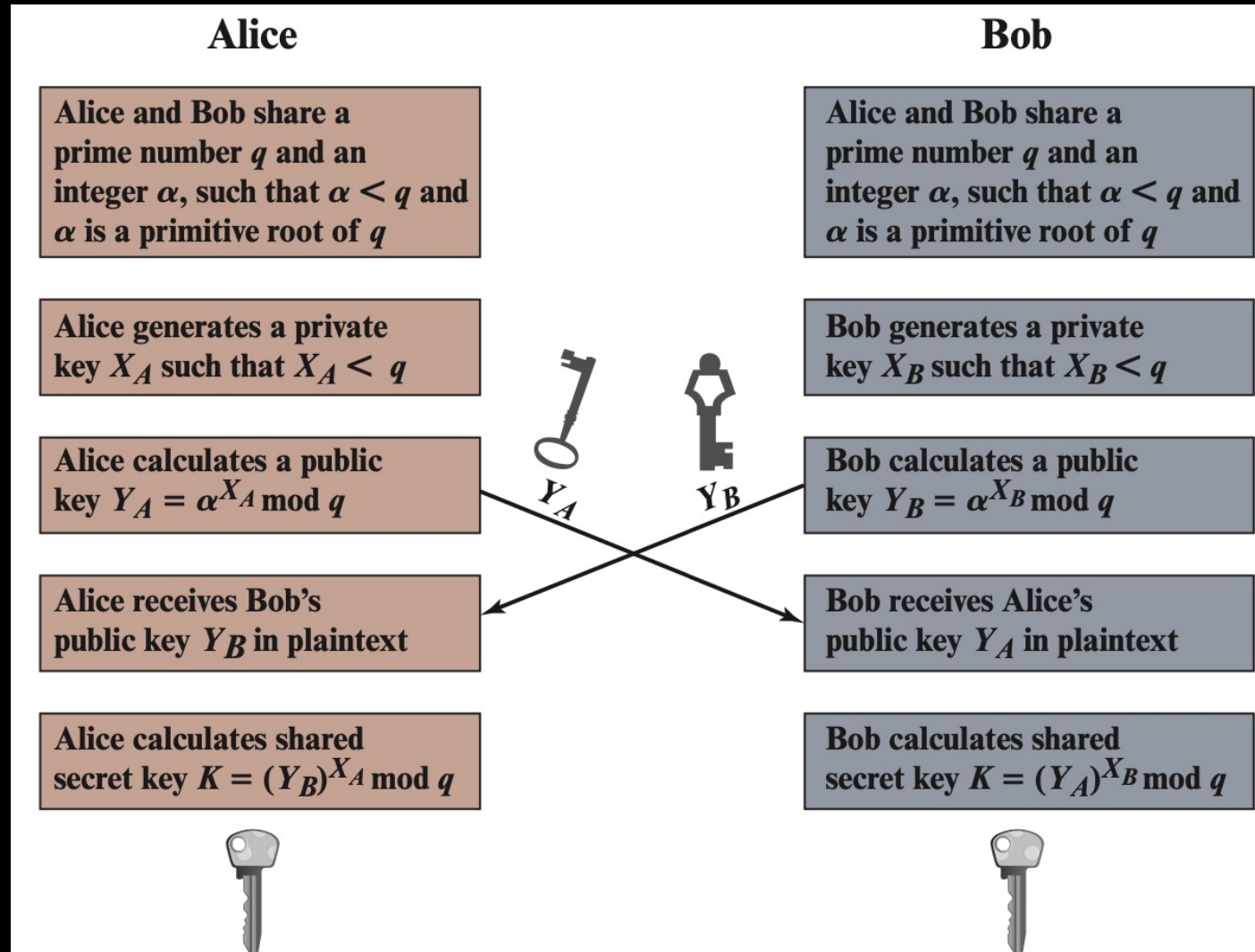
Bob generates a private key X_B such that $X_B < q$

Bob calculates a public key $Y_B = \alpha^{X_B} \bmod q$

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- For the previous algorithm

Public	Private
Prime number q	Alice's PR X_A
The primitive root α	Bob's PR X_B
Alice's PU $Y_A = \alpha^{X_A} \bmod q$	The shared secret key $K = (Y_B)^{X_A} \bmod q = (Y_A)^{X_B} \bmod q$
Bob's PU $Y_B = \alpha^{X_B} \bmod q$	-

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- The calculated shared secret key is the same at both sides because:

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To compute X_A or X_B from the public values, it requires computing the discrete logarithm: $X_B = d\log_{\alpha, q}(Y_B)$

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An adv

Security of DH: (assuming large primes)

1. Easy to calculate exponentials modulo a prime.
2. Very difficult to calculate discrete logarithms.

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Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- Example:

Select q and α
Alice and Bob select their PRs: X_A, X_B
Alice computes her PU: $Y_A = \alpha^{X_A} \bmod q$
Bob computes his PU: $Y_B = \alpha^{X_B} \bmod q$
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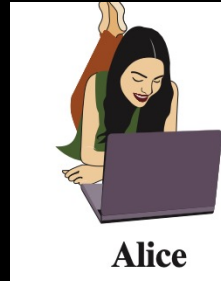
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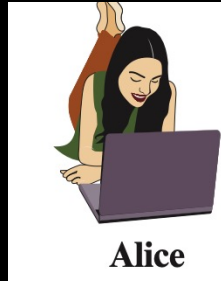
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$$\alpha = 3$$



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Alice

$$X_A = 97$$

$$q = 353$$
$$\alpha = 3$$



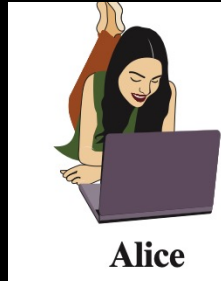
Bob

$$X_B = 233$$

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Alice

$$X_A = 97$$

$$Y_A = 3^{97} \bmod 353 = 40$$

$$q = 353$$
$$\alpha = 3$$



Bob

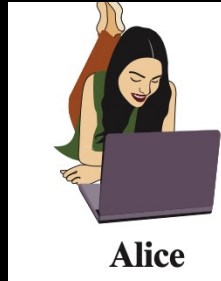
$$X_B = 233$$

$$Y_B = 3^{233} \bmod 353 = 248$$

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Alice

$$X_A = 97$$

$$Y_A = 3^{97} \bmod 353 = 40$$

$$K = 248^{97} \bmod 353 = 160$$

$$q = 353$$
$$\alpha = 3$$



Bob

$$X_B = 233$$

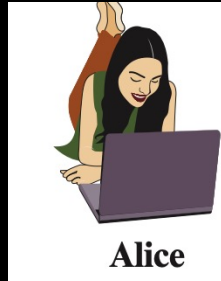
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Bob

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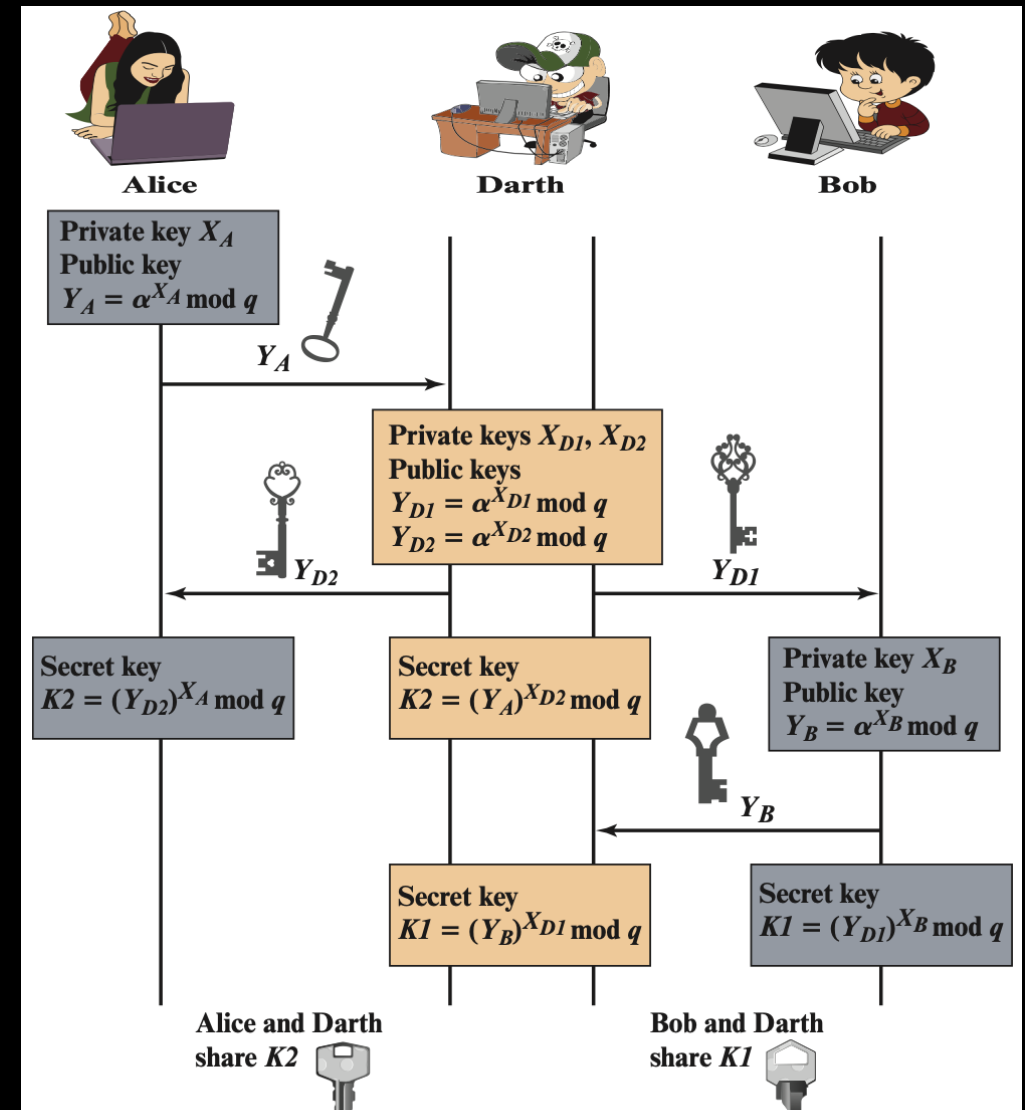
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$$q = 353, \alpha = 3, Y_A = 40, Y_B = 248$$

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- The DH protocol is vulnerable to **Man-in-the-Middle-Attack**.
 1. Darth intercepts the key-exchange process between Alice and Bob
 2. Darth share key values with Alice, and different key values with Bob
 3. Darth receives messages from Alice, he re-encrypts them with Bob's key and re-send them to Bob
- The attack works because no authentication on participants



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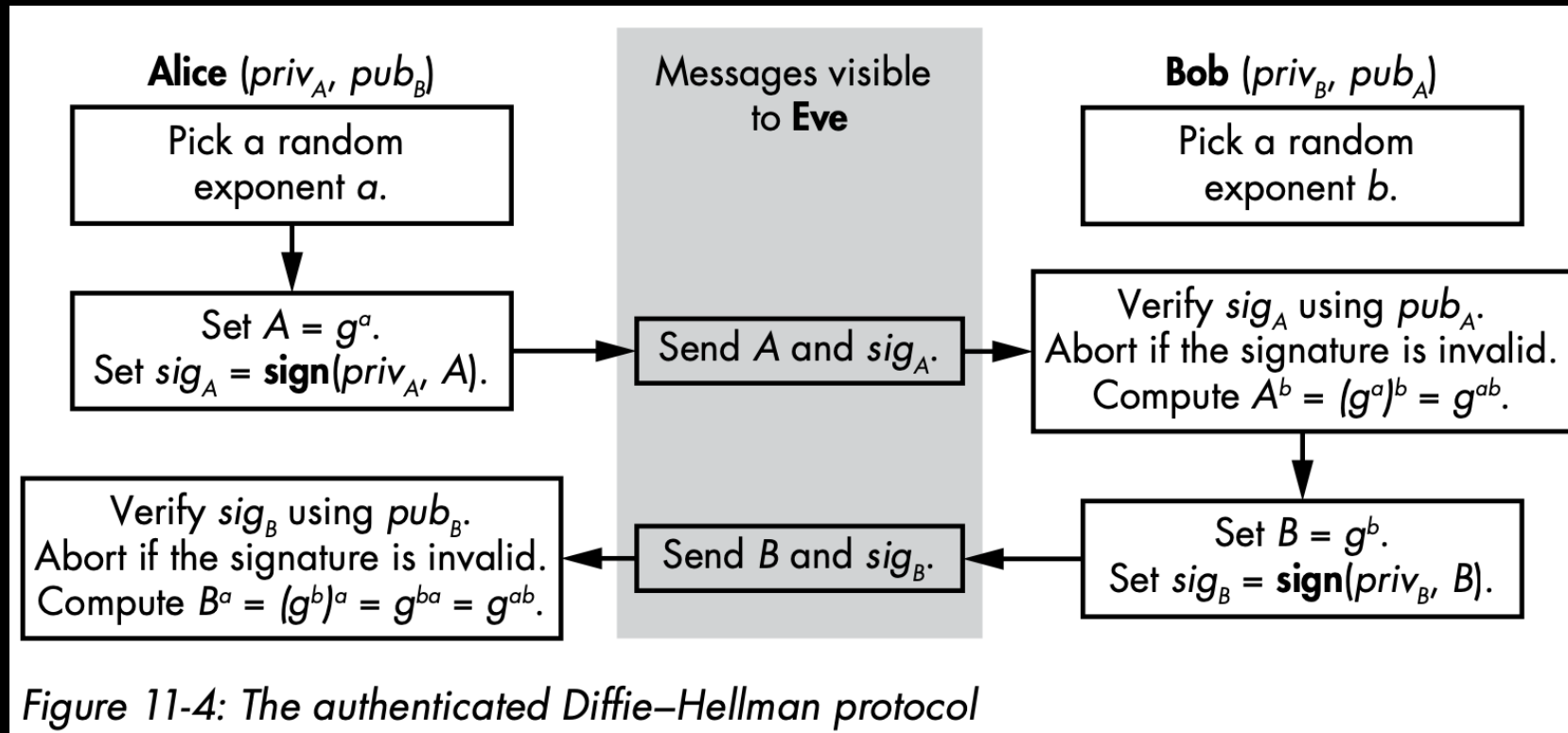
Authenticated Diffie–Hellman

- Developed to address MitM attacks that can affect anonymous DH.
- Use a signature scheme; allowing Alice and Bob to sign their messages to stop Darth from sending messages on their behalf.
- The signatures are computed using another scheme, e.g., RSA-PSS

Diffie-Hellman Protocols

Authenticated Diffie-Hellman

$priv_A, priv_B, pub_A, pub_B$ are private and public key values for signatures



Diffie-Hellman Protocols

Menezes–Qu–Vanstone (MQV)

- More secure and better performance than authenticated DH.
- Allows users to send only two messages, independently of each other, in arbitrary order.
- No need to use a signature scheme

Diffie-Hellman Protocols

Menezes–Qu–Vanstone (MQV)

- x is Alice's PrK, y is Bob's PrK, $Y = g^y$ is Bob's PuK, and $X = g^x$ is Alice's PuK

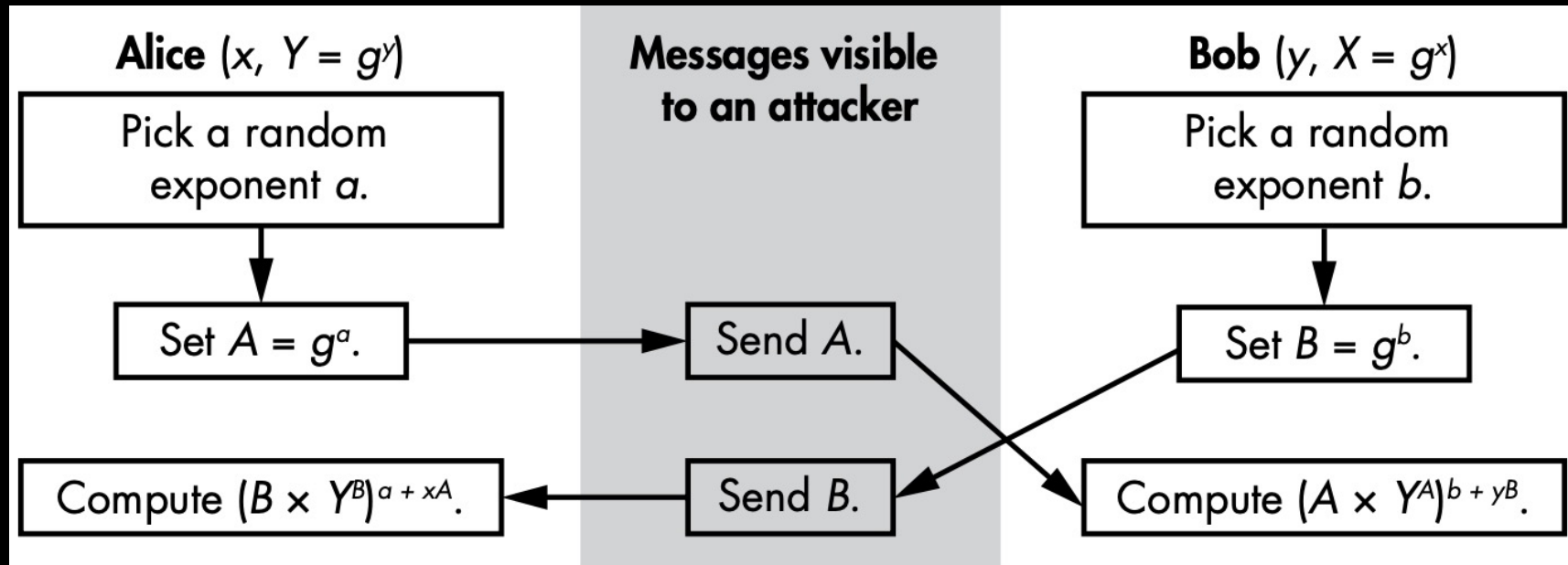


Figure 11-6: The MQV protocol

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ElGamal Cryptosystem

- ElGamal is a public key cryptosystem that is used in:
 - Digital Signature Standard (DSS)
 - S/MIME email standard
- It relies on the discrete logarithm as Diffie-Hellman protocol
 - DH protocol is a key-exchange protocol
 - ElGamal is a cryptosystem

ElGamal Cryptosystem

- ElGamal public elements

Global Public Elements

q

prime number

α

$\alpha < q$ and α a primitive root of q

- Key generation

Key Generation by Alice

Select private X_A

$X_A < q - 1$

Calculate Y_A

$Y_A = \alpha^{X_A} \bmod q$

Public key

$\{q, \alpha, Y_A\}$

Private key

X_A

ElGamal Cryptosystem

- Encryption

Encryption by Bob with Alice's Public Key

Plaintext:	$M < q$
Select random integer k	$k < q$
Calculate K	$K = (Y_A)^k \bmod q$
Calculate C_1	$C_1 = \alpha^k \bmod q$
Calculate C_2	$C_2 = KM \bmod q$
Ciphertext:	(C_1, C_2)

ElGamal Cryptosystem

- Decryption

Decryption by Alice with Alice's Private Key

Ciphertext: (C_1, C_2)

Calculate K $K = (C_1)^{X_A} \bmod q$

Plaintext: $M = (C_2 K^{-1}) \bmod q$

ElGamal Cryptosystem

- K serves as a one-time key used to encrypt and decrypt the message
- How K is recovered during the decryption process

$K = (Y_A)^k \bmod q$ (K is defined during the encryption process)

$K = (\alpha^{X_A} \bmod q)^k \bmod q$
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$K = (\alpha^{kX_A}) \bmod q$

$K = C_1^{X_A} \bmod q$ (substituting $C_1 = \alpha^k \bmod q$)
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- Using K , we recover the plaintext as

$C_2 = KM \bmod q$

$M = C_2 K^{-1} \bmod q$

$M = KMK^{-1} \bmod q = M \bmod q$

ElGamal Cryptosystem

- Example: Alice generates keys

Select a prime number q and a primitive root
Select a private $X_A \mid X_A < q - 1$
Calculate $Y_A = \alpha^{X_A} \bmod q$
Publish public key $\{q, \alpha, Y_A\}$ Keep the private key X_A

$$q = 19$$

The primitive roots of 19 are $\{2, 3, 10, 13, 14, 15\}$

Select $\alpha = 10$

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ElGamal Cryptosystem

- Encrypt the message $M = 17$:

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$K = 3^6 \bmod 19 = 7$

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$C_1 = 10^6 \bmod 19 = 11$

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Calculate $C_2 = KM \bmod q$
Send the ciphertext (C_1, C_2)

Select $k = 6$

$K = 3^6 \bmod 19 = 7$

$C_1 = 10^6 \bmod 19 = 11$

$C_2 = 7 \times 17 \bmod 19 = 5$

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$C_1 = 10^6 \bmod 19 = 11$

$C_2 = 7 \times 17 \bmod 19 = 5$

 $(11, 5)$

ElGamal Cryptosystem

- Decrypt (11, 5):

Private key: $X_A = 5$

Calculate $K = C_1^{X_A} \bmod q$

Compute $K^{-1} = \text{egcd}(K, q)$

Calculate $M = C_2 K^{-1}$

ElGamal Cryptosystem

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Calculate $K = C_1^{X_A} \bmod q$
Compute $K^{-1} = \text{egcd}(K, q)$
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Private key: $X_A = 5$

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ElGamal Cryptosystem

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ElGamal Cryptosystem

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Private key: $X_A = 5$

$K = 11^5 \bmod 19 = 7$

$K^{-1} = 11$

$M = 11 \times 5 \bmod q = 17$

ElGamal Cryptosystem

- If a message is broken up into blocks, use a unique k for each block.
- If k is used for more than one block and a block, M_1 , is known, other blocks are decrypted as follows:

- Let

$$\begin{aligned} C_{1,1} &= \alpha^k \text{ mod } q; & C_{2,1} &= KM_1 \text{ mod } q \\ C_{1,2} &= \alpha^k \text{ mod } q; & C_{2,2} &= KM_2 \text{ mod } q \end{aligned}$$

- Then,

$$\frac{C_{2,1}}{C_{2,2}} = \frac{KM_1 \text{ mod } q}{KM_2 \text{ mod } q} = \frac{M_1 \text{ mod } q}{M_2 \text{ mod } q}$$

- Since M_1 is known, then $M_2 = (C_{2,1})^{-1}(C_{2,2})M_1 \text{ mod } q$

ElGamal Cryptosystem

- Implement the ElGamal cryptosystem in Python

Task

- Implement the DH protocol using a client-server architecture
- What are the common attacks on the ElGamal cryptosystem?