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Cryptographic Arithmetic.

→ It provides the mathematical foundation for encryption algorithms. It includes modular arithmetic, inverses, and Euclidean algorithm.

1] Modular Arithmetic.

→ It involves number wrapping around after reaching a certain modulus m .
e.g. $12 \bmod 7 = 5$.

2] Additive and multiplicative Inverse.

→ A number b is an additive inverse of a if $a+b \equiv 0 \pmod{m}$
e.g. $a=3 \quad m=7 \quad b=4$ because $a+b \equiv 0 \pmod{1}$

Multiplicative Inverse.

A number b is a multiplicative inverse of a if $a \cdot b \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$

e.g. $3 \times b \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ trying $b=5$
 $3 \times 5 = 15 \pmod{7} \equiv 1$

Euclidean Algorithm.

Note when $\gcd(a,b) = 1$, a and b are termed as Relatively prime.

Example. For Extended euclidean Algorithm.

$$a = 161 \quad b = 28 \quad \text{Find } \gcd(a, b).$$

$$Q = R_1/R_2 \quad R_1 \quad R_2 \quad R \quad S_1 \quad S_2 \quad S \quad T_1 \quad T_2 \quad T.$$

S	161	28	21	1	0	1	0	1	-5
1	28	21	7	0	1	-1	1	-5	6
3	21	7	0	1	-1	4	1	-5	6
	7	0	-1	4			6	-23	

$$S = S_1 - Q \times S_2 \quad T = T_1 - Q \times T_2.$$

$$\text{Initially } S_1 = 0, S_2 = 0, T_1 = 0, T_2 = 1.$$

$$\text{GCD GCD} = 7 = R_1$$

Note If the GCD of two numbers is 1 then only we can find inverse key for b which is t.

Mathematics for Asymmetric Key Cryptography

i) Prime Generation:

↳ In asymmetric key cryptographic systems (e.g. RSA, Diffie-Hellman, ECC), large prime numbers are essential.

Steps for generating Cryptographic Primes.

→ Random Number Selection

A large random odd number is chosen, typically 1024-bit, 2048-bit or higher.

→ Trial Division

The number is checked for divisibility against small prime numbers (e.g. 2, 3, 5, 7, ..., 101) to eliminate obvious composites.

→ Probabilistic Primality Testing

If the number passes trivial division, it undergoes probabilistic tests like Miller-Rabin or Fermat's Test.

→ Strong Prime Selection

In some cryptographic applications (e.g. RSA), strong prime (primes whose neighbors are also hard to factor) are preferred.

2] Primality Testing.

↳ Since directly checking if a number is prime is computationally expensive.

→ Miller - Rabin Test.

- Given a number n , it is tested for primality using random bases a .
- If n fails for any bases, it is composite.
- If n passes multiple rounds, it is probably prime.

→ Fermat's Primality Test.

- Based on Fermat's Little Theorem.
 $(a^{p-1} \equiv 1) \pmod{p}$

Deterministic Primality Test.

(Slower but always correct).

1. AKS Primality Test

- A polynomial-time deterministic algorithm.
- Guarantees primality but is too slow for practical cryptography.

2. Elliptic Curve Primality Proving (ECPP)

- Used to prove that a number is prime.

3] Prime Factorization:

↳ IT is a process of breaking down a Number into its prime component.
e.g. $n = 91 \Rightarrow 91 = 7 \times 13$.

- Why is Prime Factorization is Important?

2. RSA Cryptography:

- RSA relies on the difficulty of Factoring large Numbers.
- Given $n = p \times q$ finding p and q is Computationally Infeasible.

4] Euler's Totient Function

↳ IT counts the number of integers less than n that are Coprime to n .

$$\phi(p) = p-1 \quad \text{if } n = p \times q \text{ then } \phi(n) = (p-1) \times (q-1)$$

Role in Cryptography:

- In RSA encryption, the Totient Function is used to Compute private key.

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

Key Management.

↳ It refers to the process involved in handling Cryptographic keys, including their generation, storage, distribution, and disposal.

The lifecycle of cryptographic key.

- 1 Generation - Creating strong and cryptographic key.
- 2 Distribution - Securely delivering key to authorized entities.
- 3 Storage - Safeguarding key against unauthorized access.
- 4 Usage - Using key for encryption, decryption and signing etc.
- 5 Rotation - Changing key periodically to prevent compromise.
- 6 Revocation - Disabling compromised key.
- 7 Destruction - Securely deleting expired or unused key.

Diffie - Hellman.

Algorithm

Step 1 Choosing a Prime Number

Step 2 Finding primitive Root.

Step 3 Selecting private key.

Step 4 Generating public key.

Step 5 Computing the shared secret.

example

$$p = 23$$

choose primitive Root g let $g = 5$

private key $x_a = 6$

private key $x_b = 15$

Compute Public key.

$$Y_a = 5^6 \bmod 23.$$

$$\therefore Y_a = 8$$

$$\text{Hence } Y_b = 5^{15} \bmod 23 \\ = 19.$$

Compute the shared Secret Key

$$K_a = Y_b^{x_a} \bmod 23 = 19^6 \bmod 23 \quad K_a = 2$$

$$K_b = Y_a^{x_b} \bmod 23 = 8^{15} \bmod 23 \quad K_b = 2.$$

Strength

- Secure key exchange over Insecure Channel.
- Forward Secrecy.
- Based on Hard Mathematical problem.

Weaknesses

- Vulnerability to Man-in-the-middle attack.
- No Built in authentication.
- Parameters sensitive.

Applications.

- VPN - Secure Connection in IPsec.
- Messaging Apps - Powers end-to-end encryption in whatsapp.
- Blockchain & Cryptocurrencies - Secure Bitcoin wallets and Transaction.