

1 ElGamal Encryption

Recall ElGamal:

$KeyGen()$

- $p \in \mathbb{P}$
- $g \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ is a generator
- $x \xleftarrow{R} \{1, \dots, p-1\}$
- $h = g^x$
- $pk = (p, g, h)$
- $sk = (x)$

$E(pk, m)$

- $y \xleftarrow{R} \{1, \dots, p-1\}$
- Send the ciphertext $c = (g^y, m \cdot h^y)$

$D(sk, c)$

- Label the parts of the ciphertext as $c = (c_1, c_2)$
- Decrypt the message as: $c_2 \cdot (c_1^x)^{-1}$

1.1

Consider the following ElGamal setup:

- $pk = (G = \mathbb{Z}_{31}^*, g = 3, h = 6)$
- $sk = (x = 25)$

Decrypt the following cipher texts:

- $(18, 19)$ **Proof.** [SOLUTION: 10] □
- $(22, 23)$ **Proof.** [SOLUTION: 14] □
- $(19, 2)$ **Proof.** [SOLUTION: 10] □

1.2

Ask a partner to select a message $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{31}^*$ and encrypt it for you. Decrypt it.

1.3

How many possible ciphertext pairs (c_1, c_2) are there for a given p and a specific value of x . How many valid values of x are there?

Proof. [SOLUTION:

- $(p - 1)^2$

- $(p - 1)$

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□

2 RSA without p or q

2.1

Suppose you have a private RSA key with p and q missing, but you have $\varphi(N)$. That is, you have:

$$(N, e, \varphi(N))$$

Show that you can still find d and decrypt messages encrypted as $m^e \pmod{N}$.

Proof. [SOLUTION:

$$d = e^{-1} \pmod{N}$$

You can find e using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm.]

□

2.2

Apply your solution to $(N = 91, e = 5, \varphi(N) = 72)$

3 Reusing RSA Primes

In class, we showed that it's safe for everyone to use the same group and generator. Let's show that sharing the same modulus N doesn't work for RSA.

Suppose we try following:

- Generate $N = p \cdot q$ as in RSA.
- Generate *two* pairs of exponents (just do this step from normal RSA two separate times): (e_a, d_a) and (e_b, d_b)
- Publish $pk_a = (N, e_a)$ and give $sk_a = (N, e_a, d_a)$ to Alice.
- Publish $pk_b = (N, e_b)$ and give $sk_b = (N, e_b, d_b)$ to Bob.

Our goal is that anyone can encrypt to either Alice or Bob (using their corresponding public key), but neither Alice nor Bob can read messages intended for the other.

- Why can't we give p or q to Alice (or Bob)?
- Verify that Alice and Bob can still decrypt messages intended for them.

Now, show that the system is broken: Alice can actually decrypt any message for Bob.

(Hint: First, show that Alice can use her private key to find a number that is $\equiv 1 \pmod{\varphi(N)}$. Then use problem 2.1 to show that she can find a decryption exponent d'_b that allows her to decrypt messages by Bob using normal RSA decryption. Is it necessarily true that $d_b = d'_b$?)

Proof. [SOLUTION: Use the Extended Euclidean Algorithm to find $e \cdot x + k \cdot \varphi(N) \cdot y = 1$.]
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4 Even more Hardcore RSA

Show that in problem 3, Alice can actually factor N to recover p and q .
(This one is hard.)

Proof. [SOLUTION: See page 3 of <https://crypto.stanford.edu/dabo/papers/RSA-survey.pdf> ("Twenty Years of Attacks on the RSA Cryptosystem")] □

5 RSA Blinding

5.1

Let's show that it's possible to sign a message using RSA without knowing what the message is.

Suppose Bob has a private key (N, e) and Alice wants him to sign m . She can do the following:

- Select a random $r \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$.
- Calculate $r' = r^d$. This is the *blinding value*.
- Ask Bob to sign $m \cdot r'$ to get $s = \text{Sign}(sk, m \cdot r')$.
- Perform a multiplication on s to get a valid signature of $E(sk, m)$.

Find what they need to multiply in the last step to make this work, and argue why the whole procedure prevents you from knowing anything about m .

Why do you think this is called “blinding”?

Proof. [SOLUTION: s]

□

5.2

Consider the following procedure.

- Select a random $r \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$. This is the *blinding value*.
- Perform a multiplication on m (probably using r) to get a value m' .
- Ask you to sign m' . to get $s = E(sk, m')$

Can you find a multiplication for the second step so that s is a valid signature for m without any additional calculations for them?

6 ElGamal Rerandomization

Recall that an ElGamal encryption is of the form

$$(g^y, m \cdot h^y)$$

where $x \xleftarrow{R} \text{Exponents}$ and $h = g^x$.

Take z to be any valid exponent. Show that it is possible for someone (who doesn't know x) to modify this so that the result (c_1, c_2) is the same as if the encryptor used $y' = y * z$ instead of y . That is, transform the original ciphertext into a valid ElGamal ciphertext of the format:

$$(g^{y'}, m \cdot h^{y'})$$

Verify that this decrypts.

7 ElGamal: Additively Homomorphic Encryption

Let $\mathcal{E}(m)$ be an algorithm that encrypts m to a specific person (i.e. choose values for G, g , and h and use the same ones every time). If you run it twice on the different messages m_1, m_2 , you get:

- $a_1 = (g^{r_1}, m_1 \cdot h^{r_1})$
- $a_2 = (g^{r_2}, m_2 \cdot h^{r_2})$

Come up with an algorithm $\mathcal{E}'(a_1, a_2)$ that produces a valid encryption of the message $m_1 + m_2$

Note that if you were doing this in practice, you should make sure to rerandomize (see problem 6).

8 Programming

If you know how to program, implement one of these:

- Diffie-Hellman

- RSA
- ElGamal.

Talk to Conrad, Aaron, or Lucas if you'd like permission to work on this at the computers during study time.

(Do problems 1-8 first. We'll talk about the Chinese Remainder Theorem during study time if you finish all the other problems. :-P)

9 Chinese Remainder Theorem

Find numbers that satisfy the following congruences:

9.1

- $x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$
- $x \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$

Proof. [SOLUTION: 22]

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9.2

- $x \equiv 9 \pmod{13}$
- $x \equiv 4 \pmod{24}$

Proof. [SOLUTION: 100]

□

9.3

- $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$
- $x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$
- $x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$

Proof. [SOLUTION: 7]

□

9.4

- $x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$
- $x \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$
- $x \equiv 8 \pmod{13}$

Proof. [SOLUTION: 333]

□

10 Chinese Remainder Theorem with Friends

Pick a partner you haven't worked with before.

Ask them to select a number x from 1 to 60 and tell you:

- $x \pmod{3}$
- $x \pmod{4}$
- $x \pmod{5}$

Now, calculate x (if you get something outside of the range $1, \dots, 60$, remember that you can add any multiple of 60 and the congruences remain valid).

11 Speeding up RSA

Do an RSA encryption with a partner as in yesterday's homework. However, when you decrypt, calculate:

- $c^m \pmod{p}$
- $c^m \pmod{q}$

Now, use these values to calculate $c^m \pmod{N}$ using the Chinese Remainder Theorem.