

## 2. Problems in public key

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### Problems

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#### Easy problems

Generating random elements

Given

- $N$
- $x \in \mathbb{Z}_N$

find  $x^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_N$  - Extended euclidean algorithm

Given

- prime  $p$
- $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}_p[x]$

find  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  s.t.  $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  -  $\mathcal{O}(\deg(f))$

#### Hard problems

We consider a hard problem hard if the probability of all **efficient** adversaries to solve the problem is negligible

In  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ :

##### Discrete log problem

Let

- $g$  be a generator of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$

Given  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  find a number  $r$  s.t.  $x \equiv g^r \pmod{p} \iff r \equiv DLog_g(g^r) \pmod{p}$

##### ECDLP

Let

- $G$  be a generator point of  $E(\mathbb{Z}_p)$

given  $P \in E(\mathbb{Z}_p)$  find a number  $r$  s.t.  $P = r \cdot G \iff r \equiv DLog_G(r \cdot G)$

- Harder than DLP

##### Diffie-Hellman problem

Let

- $g$  be a generator of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$

Given  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  where

- $x = g^{r_1}$  and  $y = g^{r_2}$ .

Find  $z = g^{r_1 r_2}$

In  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ :

### Problems based on the hardness of factorization

Given  $n$  factorize it into primes

Test if an element is QR in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$

Square root in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  (like factoring  $n$ ).

$e$ 'th roots modulo  $n$  when  $\gcd(e, \varphi(n)) = 1$

Solving polynomial equations of degree  $d > 1$ .

- If factorization is known find roots mod primes and CRT to win

DLP in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$

Diffie hellman problem in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$