Introduction to Security Hand-in 1 Report

Task1:

In task one, ElGamal encryption is asked, given the values

- 1. Public shared key (g)
- 2. Public shared prime (p)
- 3. System's public key (h)
- 4. Ciphertexts (c1, c2)

The first thing we must recover, is our private key x, using system's public key h. Here is the formula for this:

$$h = g^x \pmod{p}$$
 (1)

In the code, using the information $1 \le x \le p-2$, a brute force functions is used, with optimized custom modulo exponential function which takes the third argument "modulo".

To recover the message following formula is used:

$$M = c2 * (c1^x)^{-1} \pmod{p}$$
 (2)

To be able to compute $(c1^x)^{-1}$ (inverse modulo), Fermat's formula is used, since it is computationally faster considering p is a prime and not a huge number.

Task2:

In this task, modulo inverse and modulo exponential functions are reused. Modifying ciphertexts are based on formula (2) and also the fact that we want our target to satisfy:

 $M = T \pmod{p}$ (3) which implies there is a multiplier such that:

$$m = T * M^-1 \pmod{p}$$

Based on this idea c1 and c2 can be found through:

$$c2' = c2 * m \pmod{p}$$
, and

$$c1' = c1 * m \pmod{p}$$

Task3:

In task 3, proto and grpc plugins are used to create a server & client connection. As asked in the instructions, TLS protocol and a self-signed certificate is used in the connection configuration. The server and client only has send method and connection is started through flags in command line:

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go run . // in server folder
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go run . -addr localhost:7007 -msg "hello from client" -ca ..\server\server.crt -servername localhost // in client folder (with example message)

Certificate is created with openssl.