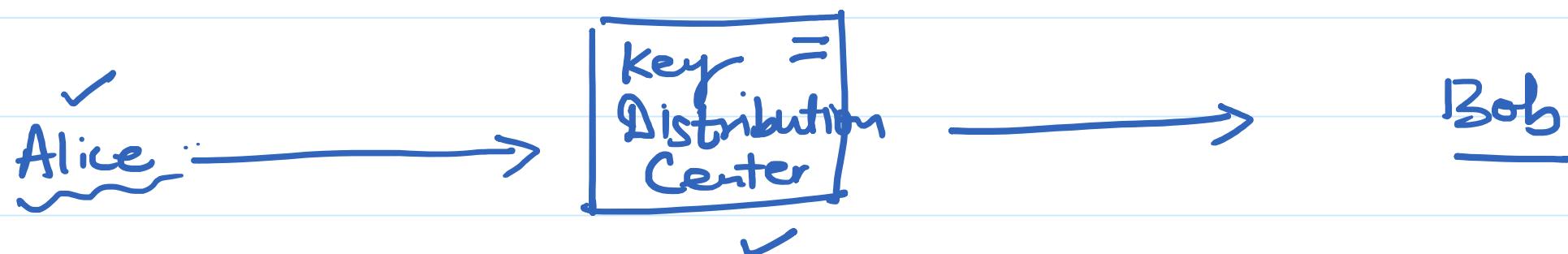


$$N(N-1) \checkmark$$

$$A \xrightarrow{k_1} B$$

$$\xleftarrow{k_2}$$

1 Million - 1 trillion -  $10^{12}$  keys



Key Distribution Centre (KDC) : Refer. C&NS by Forouzan.

## Diffie - Hellman Key Exchange

Alice

Public Parameter  $P$  - large prime  
 $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_P^*$   
 $\alpha$  is a generator of  $\mathbb{Z}_P^*$

Bob

$$a \in K_{prA} \in \{2, 3, \dots, P-2\}$$

$$b \in K_{prB} \in \{2, 3, \dots, P-2\}$$

$$A = \alpha^a \text{ mod } p$$

B

A

$$B = \alpha^b \text{ mod } p$$

$$K_{AB} = B^a \text{ mod } p$$

$$= (\alpha^b)^a \text{ mod } p$$

$$K_{AB} = \alpha^{ab} \text{ mod } p$$

$$K_{AB} = A^b \text{ mod } p = (\alpha^a)^b \text{ mod } p$$

$$K_{AB} = \alpha^{ab} \text{ mod } p$$

$K_{AB} = \alpha^{ab} \text{ mod } p$  is the session key.

Recall: A cyclic group is a group in which there is an element which generates the whole.

$$(G, *) \text{ is a cyclic group } \Rightarrow \exists \text{ an elem } g \in G \text{ s.t.}$$

$$G = \{g^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{ \underbrace{g * g * \dots * g}_{n \text{ times}} \mid n \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

Such an element  $g$  in a cyclic gp  $(G, *)$  is called primitive element or a generator of  $(G, *)$

Ex:  $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$  - Cyclic group.

$g$  is a generator of  $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$  if  $\gcd(g, n) = 1$

$(\mathbb{Z}_n^*, \cdot_n)$  is cyclic?

Theorem:  $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, \cdot_p)$  is a cyclic group for all prime  $p$ .

$$(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2^1 &= 2 \\ 2^2 &= 4 \\ 2^3 &= \boxed{1} \\ 2^4 &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3^1 &= 3 \\ 3^2 &= 2 \\ 3^3 &= 3^2 \cdot 3 = 6 \\ 3^4 &= 6 \cdot 3 = 4 \\ 3^5 &= 4 \cdot 3 = 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$3^6 = 5 \cdot 3 = 1$$

$$O(\underline{3}) = 6 = |\mathbb{Z}_7^*|$$

$$\underline{O(2) = 3}$$

$\Rightarrow 3$  is a generator of  $(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot_n)$

Consider the following eq<sup>n</sup> in  $(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot_n)$

$$\underline{3^x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}}$$

$x = 5$  is the sol<sup>n</sup>.

$$\boxed{x = \log_3 5 \pmod{7}}$$

$(\mathbb{Z}_{47}^*, \cdot)$  :  $a = 5$  is a generator.

$$5^x \equiv 41 \pmod{47}$$

Discrete Logarithm Problem: Given a prime  $p$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$   
 let  $\alpha$  be a primitive element  
 of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$ . Find  $x$  such that  

$$\boxed{\alpha^x \equiv \beta \pmod{p}} \checkmark$$

Note: When  $p$  is large ( $\geq 300$  decimal digits) DL problem  
 is computationally very hard to solve.

Diffie-Hellman Problem: Eve knows  $\alpha, p, A$  &  $B$

She wants to find the key  $K_{AB} = \alpha^{ab} \pmod{p}$

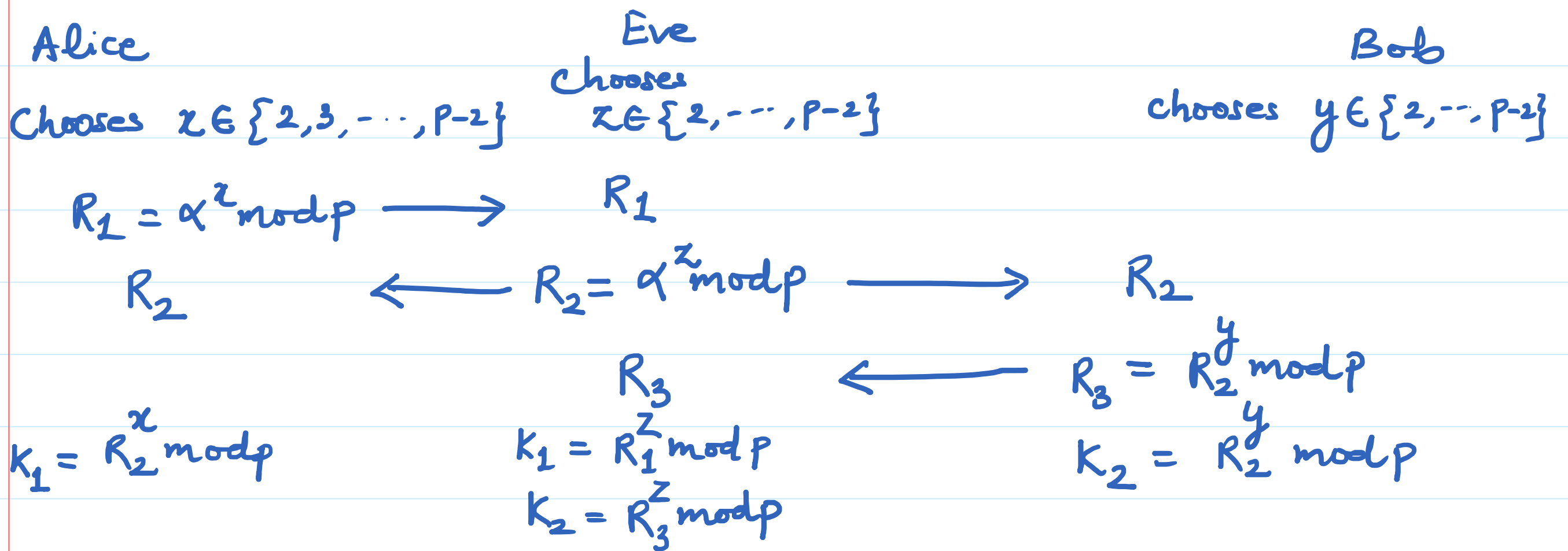
Solution:

1. Compute  $\boxed{a = \log_{\alpha} A \pmod{p}} \checkmark$
2. "  $B^a = \underline{K_{AB}} = \alpha^{ab} \pmod{p}$

$A = \alpha^a \pmod{p}$

## Security of Diffie-Hellman

1. Brute Force : Take large  $p$  ( $\geq 300$  decimal digits)
2. Discrete Logarithm :
3. Man in the Middle Attack :



1. Alice send a message using the key  $K_1$ .
2. Eve intercept it and decrypt it using  $K_1$ .
3. Eve read the message, encrypt it using  $K_2$  and she will send it to Bob.
4. If Bob send a message to Alice, Eve will intercept it, read it, encrypt it using  $K_1$  and she will send it to Alice.

## Generalized Discrete Logarithm Problem :

Given a cyclic group  $(G, *)$  and  $|G| = n$ . Let  $\alpha$  be a generator of  $(G, *)$  and let  $\beta \in G$ .

Find  $x$  s.t.

$$\beta = \underbrace{\alpha * \alpha * \dots * \alpha}_{x \text{ times}}$$

# Elgamal Cryptosystem

Alice

Bob

Key Generation

1. select a large prime  $P$
2. select  $K_{pr} = d \in \{2, 3, \dots, P-2\}$
3. select a generator  $e_1$  of  $\mathbb{Z}_P^*$
4. Compute  $e_2 = e_1^d \bmod P$ .

$K_{pub} = (e_1, e_2, P)$  - Public Key.

$(e_1, e_2, P)$

1. select a random integer

$$r \in \{1, 2, \dots, P-1\}$$

2.  $C_1 = e_1^r \bmod P$

3.  $C_2 = (X \cdot e_2^r) \bmod P$

plaintext

$(C_1, C_2)$

Encryption

$(C_1, C_2)$

Decryption

1.  $C_1' = C_1^d \bmod P$
2.  $X = C_2 \cdot (C_1')^{-1} \bmod P$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_2 \cdot (C_1')^{-1} \bmod P &= C_2 \cdot (C_1^d)^{-1} \bmod P \\
 &= C_2 \cdot (e_1^{rd})^{-1} \bmod P \\
 &= X \cdot e_2^r \cdot (e_1^{rd})^{-1} \bmod P \\
 &= X \cdot \underline{(e_1^{rd})} \cdot \underline{(e_1^{rd})}^{-1} \bmod P \\
 &= X \bmod P
 \end{aligned}$$

$$X = C_2 (C_1')^{-1} \bmod P$$

Note:

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &= C_2 \cdot (C_1')^{-1} \bmod P \\
 &= C_2 \times (C_1^d)^{-1} \bmod P \\
 &= C_2 \times C_1^{-d} \bmod P \\
 &= C_2 \times C_1^{P-1-d} \times C_1^{-d} \bmod P \\
 X &= C_2 \times C_1^{P-1-d-d} \bmod P
 \end{aligned}$$

Fermat's little theorem

If  $a$  &  $p$  are coprime  
then  $a^{P-1} = 1 \bmod P$

## Security of Elgamal

1. Brute Force: Take  $p$  very large.

2. Known Plaintext attack:

Let Alice uses the same random exponent  $r$  for two plaintexts  $P$  &  $P'$

Let Eve knows  $P$  and its encryption.

$$\text{Let } C_2 = P \times e_2^r \pmod{p} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$C'_2 = P' \times e_2^r \pmod{p} \quad \text{--- ②}$$

Eve can find  $P'$  as follows:

$$1. \quad e_2^r = C_2 \cdot P^{-1} \pmod{p} \quad \text{by ①}$$

$$2. \quad P' = C'_2 (e_2^r)^{-1} \pmod{p} \quad \text{by ②}$$

To avoid known plaintext attack Alice has to use a different exponent  $r$  each time.