

# Cryptography and security

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## General

- $b \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  has a square root if and only if  $b^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \mod p = 1$

## Diffie Helman

- We check that  $X$  and  $Y$  are in  $\langle g \rangle$
- Use a KDF to fix bad distribution of  $g^{xy}$
- We check the lower order  $X \neq 1, X^2 \neq 1$
- If  $n = pq$  then  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  ring is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_q$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$  ring is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_p^* \times \mathbb{Z}_q^*$

## RSA

- Square and multiply algorithm to compute  $x^e$  or  $x^d$
- Primality test : Verify that a number is prime
- To check if a number is coprime is another one use euclid algorithm
- To compute the inverse of an elem use extended euclid algorithm
- $\varphi(p^\alpha) = (p-1)p^{\alpha-1}$
- We can compute square root of  $n$  in  $\mathcal{O}(\log n)^3$

## Elliptic Curve

- All finite fields have a cardinality of form  $p^k$  where  $p$  is a prime number This prime number  $p$  is called the **characteristic** of the field.
- A **binary** field is a field with characteristic equal to 2
- Over a field  $\mathbb{R}$ , an elliptic curve with parameters  $a$  and  $b$  consists of a special point  $\mathcal{O}$  called the *point at infinity* and the points  $(x, y)$  which are the solutions of the equation  $y^2 = x^3 + ax + by$

- Elliptic Curve over a **Prime Field**

- The **discriminant** is  $\Delta = -16(4a^3 + 27b^2)$
- The curve is **non-singular** iff  $\Delta \neq 0$
- We define the **j-invariant**  $j = 1728 \frac{4a^3}{4a^3 + 27b^2}$ , two isomorphic curves have the same j-invariant

- Elliptic Curve over a **Binary Field**

- **Ordinary** curves are defined by two field elements denoted  $a_2$  and  $a_6$

$$E_{a_2, a_6}(\mathbb{K}) = \{\mathcal{O}\} \cup \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{K}^2; y^2 + xy = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_6\}$$

- We define the **j-invariant**  $j = \frac{1}{\Delta}$

- Simple factoring method : Pollard's (also called  $p - 1$  algorithm)

- **Elliptic Curve Method** (ECM) is the best method to find  $p$  when it is small

- **ECDH** key exchange protocol is the variant of Diffie-Hellman protocol working over an elliptic curve group

- We have two participant  $U$  and  $V$  using the same subgroup of order  $n$  generated by some point  $G$  over an elliptic curve.
- They both select their secret key  $d_U, d_V \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$
- They compute their public key  $Q_U = d_U.G$  and  $Q_V = d_V.G$  which are point and exchange them.
- Then, they both check that the received public key is actually a point of the curve which is generated by  $G$ , different from the point at infinity, and that its order is a factor of  $n$ .
- They both compute the a point  $P$ , either by  $P = d_U.Q_V$  or by  $P = d_V.Q_U$
- They take the first coordinate  $x_p$  of  $P$  and convert it into a byte string  $Z$
- Finally they compute  $K = KDF(Z)$