

## 1a

Suppose  $g$  is a generator of the group  $Z_p^\times$ .

Since the order of  $g$  is  $(p-1)$ ,  $g^q$  where  $q < p$  can never be 1. Our algorithm sets  $q$  to  $(p-1)/p_i$  which is less than  $p-1$ . Thus a generator always produces true.

Suppose  $g$  is not a generator of the group.

Then  $g$  is a generator of a subgroup.

By Lagrange's theorem, the order of the group,  $p$ , is divisible by the order of any subgroup,  $q$ . Thus  $q$  divides  $p$ . If  $q = p_i^{e_i}$  for some  $i$ , then  $g^{(p-1)/p_i}$  would be 1 since  $g$  is a generator for that subgroup. If  $q$  is a subgroup of the subgroup of order  $p_i^{e_i}$ , then  $q$  divides that group's order, and so raising it to the group's order would also produce 1. Thus the algorithm would always produce false.

Let  $A$  be the event  $g$  is a generator

Let  $B$  be the event the algorithm produces true

I've proved  $A \Rightarrow B$  and  $\neg A \Rightarrow \neg B$

But I can take the contrapositive ( $\neg A \Rightarrow \neg B$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $B \Rightarrow A$ )

Thus I have  $A \Rightarrow B$  and  $B \Rightarrow A$

Thus  $A \Leftrightarrow B$

## 1b

We have a loop over  $k$ . Inside the loop we are raising  $g$  to the exponent  $(p-1)/p_i$ . We can use the square and multiply algorithm to do this exponentiation in  $O(\log(p-1))$ . Thus the total algorithm takes  $O(k \log(p-1))$ .

## 1c

The algorithm produces `False` since

$$g^{(p-1)/3} = 1 \pmod{p}$$

## 2a

for  $i$  from  $0..n-1$ :

$$t = h^{3^{n-1-i}}$$

if  $(t = 1)$ :  $x_i = 0$

if  $(t = g^{3^{n-1}})$ :  $x_i = 1$

if  $(t = g^{2 \times 3^{n-1}}): x_i = 2$

$h = hg^{-x_i}$

$g = g^3$

## 2b

We look from 0 to n-1, which is n iterations.

In each iteration we are calculating  $t = h^{3^{n-1-i}}$  which takes  $\log(3^n - 1 - i)$  multiplications using square and multiply technique. This is about  $O(n)$ .

Calculating  $g^{3^{n-1}}$  and  $g^{2 \times 3^{n-1}}$  is also  $O(n)$  for the same reason.

Everything else is constant time so we have  $O(1)$  time complexity for those operations.

Thus in total we have  $O(n)$  operations iterated n times, meaning our final time complexity is  $O(n^2)$

## 2c

I got x = `2621519338154903134624454481960`.

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p = 20602102921755074907947094535687
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g = 15074692835850319635499377698538
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h = 19341277950553269760848569026015
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n = 65
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x = [0 for _ in range(n)]
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g_prime = g
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S = pow(g, pow(3, n-1, p-1), p)
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S2 = pow(S, 2, p)
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for i in range(n):
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    print("i =", i)
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    t = pow(h, pow(3, n-1-i, p-1), p)
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if (t == 1):
    x[i] = 0

if (t == S):
    x[i] = 1

if (t == S2):
    x[i] = 2

h = h * pow(g_prime, -x[i], p)

g_prime = pow(g_prime, 3, p)

s = 0

for i in range(65):
    s += x[i] * pow(3, i)

print(x)

print(s)

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## 3a

d private key, (n public key, e public exponent)  
x message

### Generate

Choose two primes p,q. calculate  $n = pq$ .

Compute  $\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$

choose e coprime to  $\phi(n)$

compute  $d = e^{-1} \bmod \phi(n)$

d is private key, (n,e) is public key

return (n,e)

**Signature** (x, d, n)

$h = \text{hash}(m)$

$s = h^d \bmod n$

return x,s

**Verify** (x, s, n, e)

$h = \text{hash}(x)$

$y = s^e \bmod n$

$b = (h == y)$

accept if b=1, reject if b = 0

## 3b

This works because the x is hashed in the signature. When trying to forge, the signature and fake message must be linked through hashing rather than just through exponentiation. To break this, you must have  $\text{hash}(x) = s^e$  which would require you to be able to calculate hash collisions.

## 3c

The drawback would be that EMSA uses a salt as well, meaning that a signing the same message twice would produce two different signatures while my hashing scheme results in the same signature every time.