

CS557: Cryptography

Public-key Cryptography-IV

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Present Class

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 - Elgammal Encryption
 - Discrete Logarithm Problem

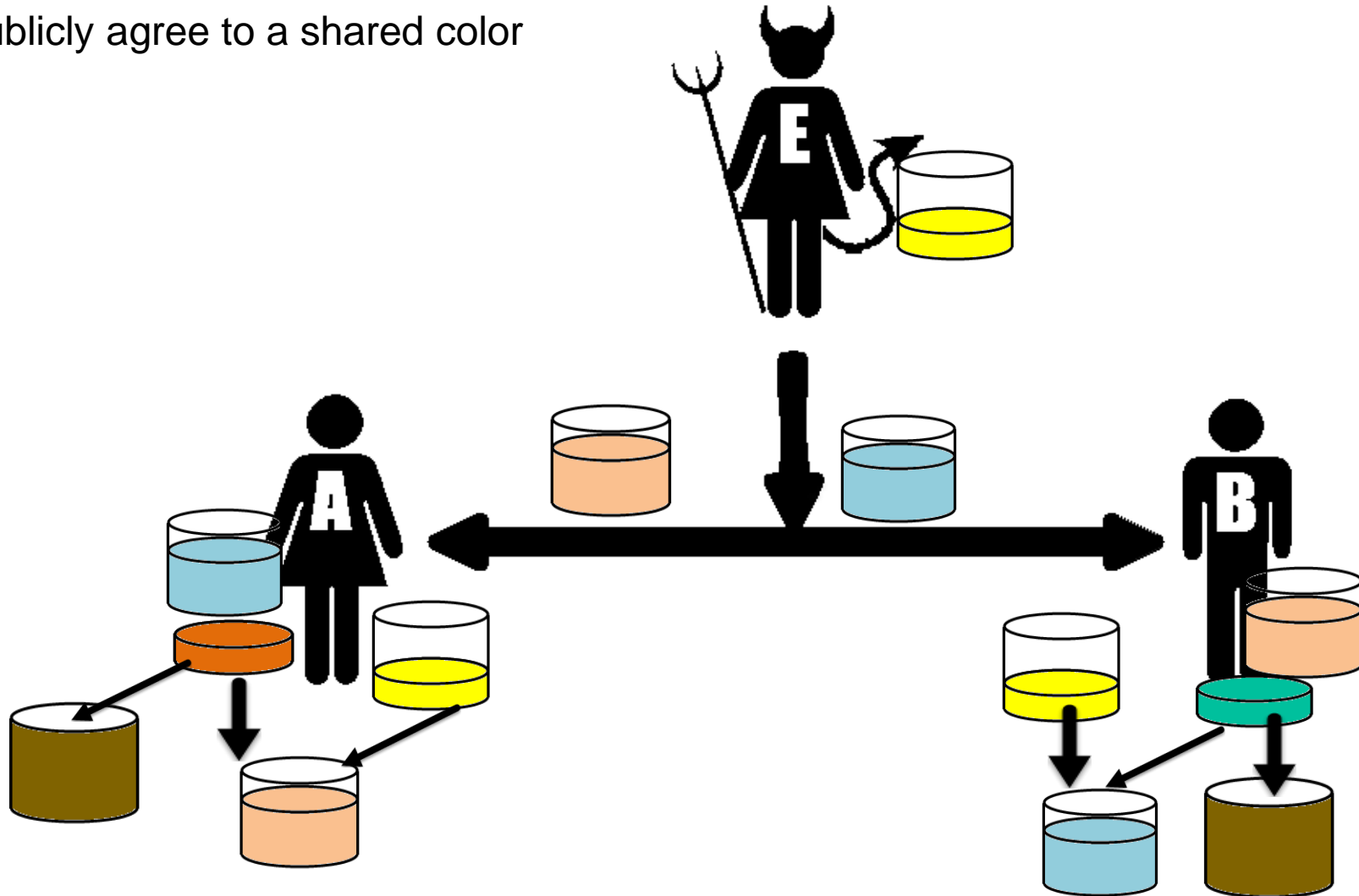
ELGAMAL PUBLIC KEY CRYPTOGRAPHY BASED ON DIFFIE HELLMAN KEY EXCHANGE

Diffie-Hellman key exchange (D-H) is a cryptographic protocol that allows two parties that have no prior knowledge of each other to jointly establish a shared secret key over an insecure communications channel.

This key can then be used to encrypt subsequent communications using a symmetric key cipher.

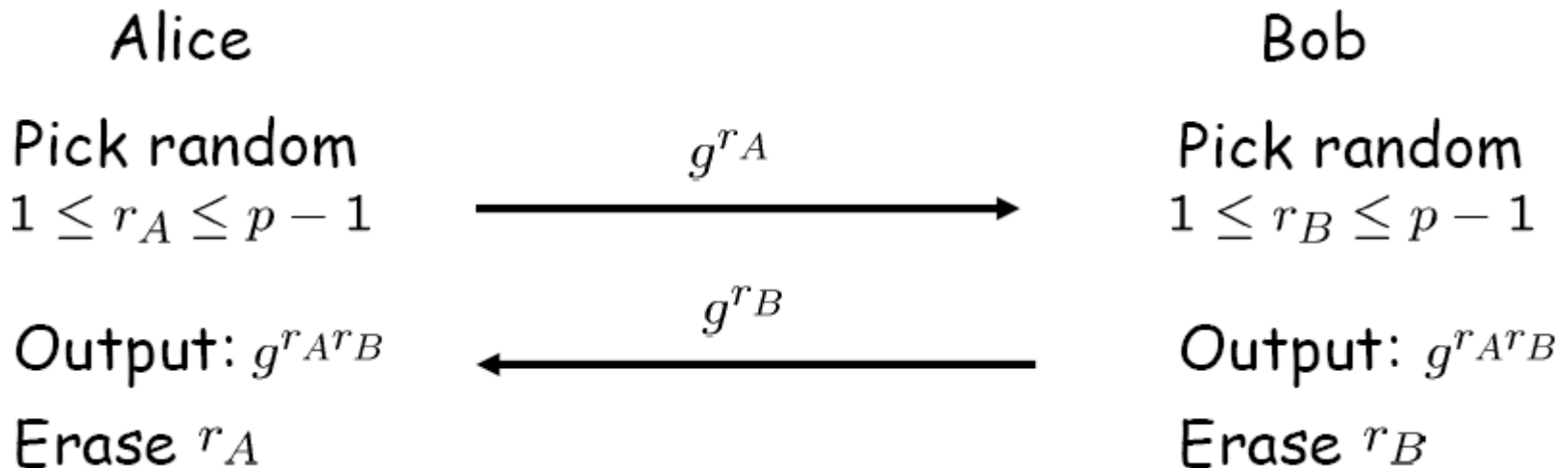
Color Exchange (DH Ex.)

Both publicly agree to a shared color



Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- Public: prime (1024 bit), generator g of group \mathbb{Z}_p^*



Diffie-Hellman problem: Obtain g^{ab} with given (g^a, g^b)

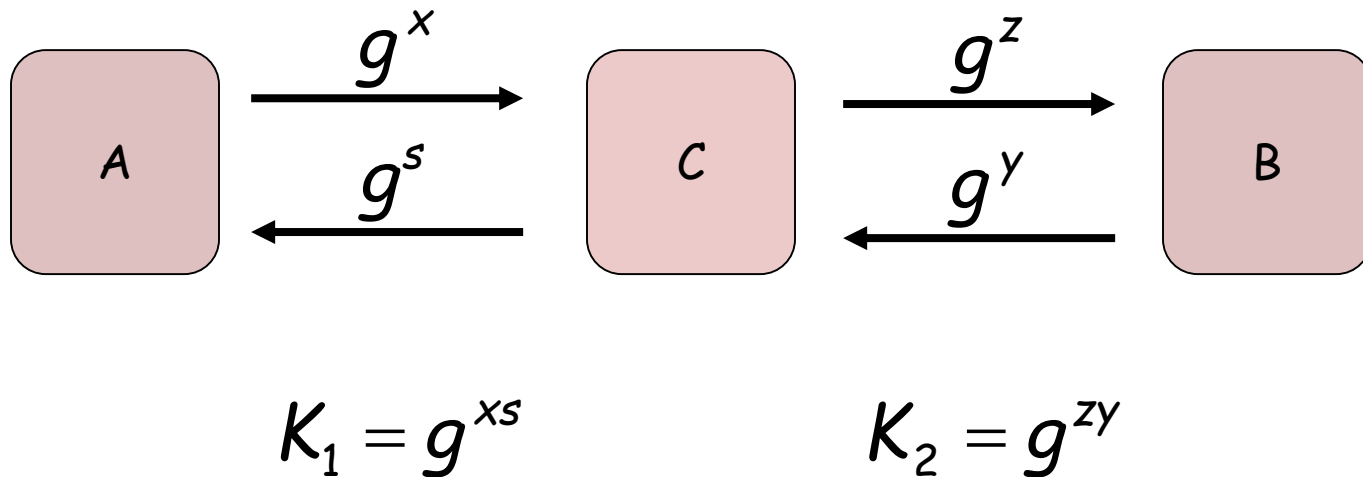
Easy if we can compute x from g^x

No better way known

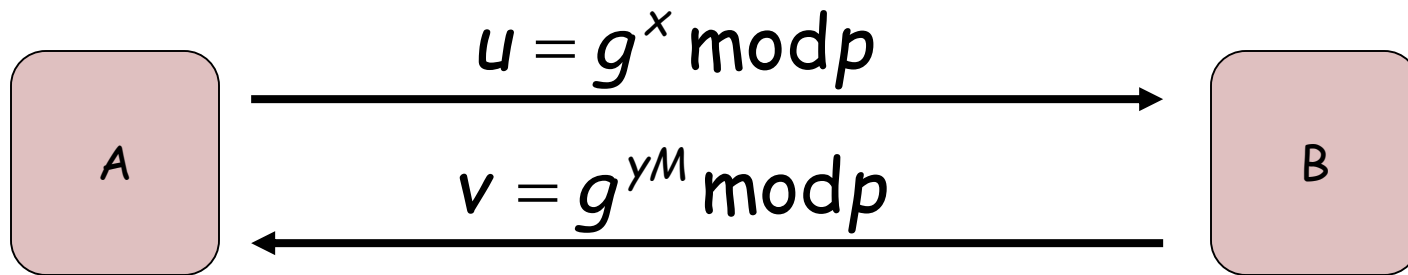
implicit key authentication (only if attacker is passive)

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Adding authentication

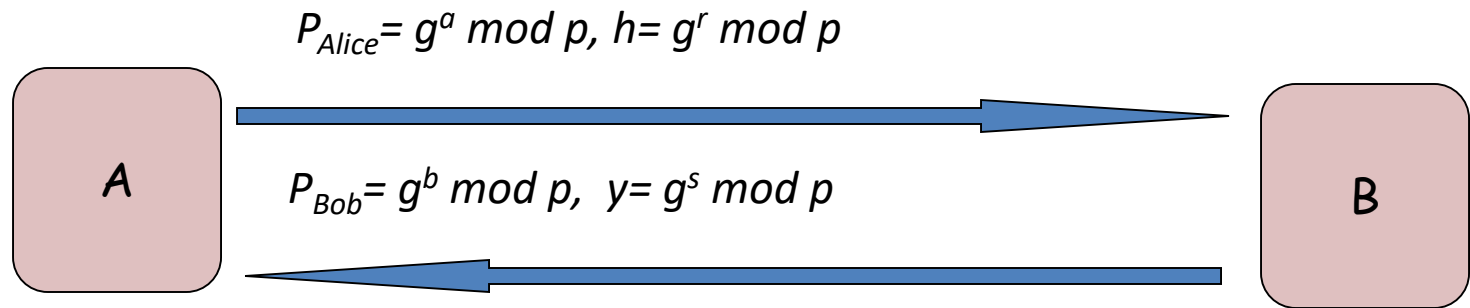


Here, $g^M = P_{\text{Alice}}$, the public key of Alice.

$$K = v^{xM^{-1}} = g^{xy}$$

$$K = u^y = g^{xy}$$

Mutual-Authenticated DH



$$K = (P_{Bob})^r y^a \bmod p$$

$$K = (P_{Alice})^s h^b \bmod p$$

$$K = g^{sa + rb} \bmod p$$

CDH and DDH

- Discrete Log problem
 - Given y and g in \mathbb{Z}_p where p is prime, find the unique x in \mathbb{Z}_p , such that $y = g^x \bmod p$.
 - No efficient algorithm
- Computational Diffie-Hellman (CDH)
 - Given a multiplicative group $(G, *)$, an element $g \in G$ having order q , given g^x and g^y , find g^{xy}
- Decision Diffie-Hellman (DDH)
 - Given a multiplicative group $(G, *)$, an element $g \in G$ having order q , given g^x , g^y , and g^z , determine if $g^{xy} \equiv g^z \bmod n$
- Discrete Log is at least as hard as CDH, which at least as hard as DDH

Solving Discrete Logarithm

- Exhaustive Search
- Shank's Algorithm
 - Baby step approach
- Pollard-Rho Method

Baby step Giant step approach

- Let G be a cyclic multiplicative group of size n . Let g be a generator of G . $g^x = y \in G$. Let $m = \sqrt{n}$.
 - Baby steps: For $i \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1\}$, compute g^i , and store (i, g^i) sorted with respect to the second element.
 - Giant steps: For $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1$, compute $y \cdot g^{-jm}$, and try to locate $y \cdot g^{-jm}$ in the table of baby steps.
 - If a search is successful, we have $y \cdot g^{-jm} = g^i$ for some i, j ,
 - $\Rightarrow y = g^{jm+i}$
 - $\Rightarrow \text{ind } g(y) = jm + i$

Pollard rho discrete logarithm

Technique

- partition the group G into three roughly equal-sized set S_1 , S_2 and S_3 .

$$x_{i+1} = \begin{cases} y x_i & \text{for } x_i \in S_1 \\ x_i^2 & \text{for } x_i \in S_2 \\ g \cdot x_i & \text{for } x_i \in S_3 \end{cases} \quad a_{i+1} = \begin{cases} a_i \pmod{n} & \text{for } x_i \in S_1 \\ 2a_i \pmod{n} & \text{for } x_i \in S_2 \\ a_i + 1 & \text{for } x_i \in S_3 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Let } x_i = g^{a_i} y^{b_i} \quad b_{i+1} = \begin{cases} b_i + 1 & \text{for } x_i \in S_1 \\ 2b_i \pmod{n} & \text{for } x_i \in S_2 \\ b_i \pmod{n} & \text{for } x_i \in S_3 \end{cases}$$

- This sequence of group elements defines two sequences of integers
- a_0, a_1, \dots and b_0, b_1, \dots satisfying
- At $x_i = x_{2i}$

$$x = g^{a_i} y^{b_i}$$

- $g^{a_i} \cdot y^{b_i} = g^{a_{2i}} y^{b_{2i}}$
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- $\log_g y = x = (a_{2i} - a_i) / (b_i - b_{2i})$

El-Gamal encryption

Public parameters: p is a prime

g generator of G_p

Secret key of a user: d (where $0 < d < p-1$)

Public key of this user: $e = g^d \bmod p$

Message (or "plaintext"): m

Encryption technique (to encrypt m using e)

1. Pick a number k randomly from $[0 \dots p-1]$
2. Compute $C1 = e^k \cdot m \bmod p$
 $C2 = g^k \bmod p$
3. Output $(C1, C2)$

Decryption technique (to decrypt $(C1, C2)$ using d)

$$\text{Compute } m: \quad C1 / C2^d = \frac{e^k \cdot m}{(g^k)^d} = \frac{g^{dk} \cdot m}{g^{kd}}$$

El Gamal encryption: Ex:

Public parameters: p is a prime $p = 19$

g generator $g = 10$

Secret key of a user: (where $d < p-1$) $d = 5$

Public key of this user: $e = g^d \bmod p$

$$e = 10^5 = 3 \bmod 19$$

Message (or "plaintext"): m $m = 17$

Encryption technique to encrypt m using e)

1. Pick a number k randomly from $[0...p-1]$
2. Compute $c1 = e^k \cdot m \bmod p$ $k = 6$
3. $c2 = g^k \bmod p$ $c1 = 3^6 \cdot 17 = 12393 \bmod 19 = 5$
4. Output (c1,c2) $c2 = 10^6 \bmod 19 = 11$
Output (5,11)

Decryption technique (to decrypt (c1,c2) using d)

Compute m: $c1 / c2^d$

$$\begin{aligned} 5 / 11^5 \bmod 19 &= 5 / 7 \bmod 19 = \\ &= 5 * 11 \bmod 19 = 17 \end{aligned}$$

Security Analysis

- If the Computational Diffie-Hellman (CDH) holds in the underlying cyclic group , then the encryption function is one-way.
- If the decisional Diffie-Hellman assumption (DDH) holds in , then ElGamal achieves semantic security
- Its not secure under chosen ciphertext attack. Like discussed in RSA

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