

RSA

→ 'RSA' Crypto system (from last name of inventors Rivest, Shamir & Adleman) which is one of the oldest (16 years old) public key cryptosystems, based on difficulty of factoring.

→ We now describe how RSA works:-
Each user 1st chooses 2 extremely large prime numbers p and q and sets $n = pq$.
Knowing the factorisation of n , it's easy to compute $\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$
$$= n + 1 - p - q$$

→ User randomly chooses an integer e b/w 1 and $\phi(n)$ which is prime to $\phi(n)$.

→ Each user A chooses 2 primes $\rightarrow p_A, q_A$
Random number $\rightarrow e_A$
which has no common factor with $(p_A-1)(q_A-1)$.

→ next A computes $n_A = p_A q_A$,
 $\phi(n_A) = n_A + 1 - p_A - q_A$

→ e_A modulo $\phi(n_A)$, e_A^{-1} multiplicative inverse of this
 e_A^n is, $d_A = e_A^{-1} \text{ mod } \phi(n_A)$

→ She makes public the enciphering key,

$$K_{E,A} = (n_A, e_A)$$

and conceals the deciphering key, $K_{D,A} = (n_A, d_A)$

→ The Enciphering transformation is Given by:

$$f(P) = P^{eA} \mod n_A$$

→ deciphering transformation is Given by

$$f^{-1}(C) = C^{dA} \mod n_A$$

Performing f followed by f^{-1} or f^{-1} followed by f means raising to $dAeA^{\text{th}}$ power

Ex → We have → $N=26$ $k=3$ $l=4$

i.e., Plaintext consists of tri-graphs
Ciphertext consists of four-graphs.
in usual 26-letter alphabet.

→ To send Message → 'YES' to a user with enciphering keys $(n_A, e_A) = (46927, 39923)$

→ 1st we find numerical Equivalent →

$$\begin{aligned} \text{YES} &= 24 \times (26)^2 + 4 \times (26)^1 + 18 \times (26)^0 \\ &= 16346 \end{aligned}$$

We know,

$$f(P) = P^{eA} \mod n_A$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (16346)^{39923} \mod 46927 \\ &= 21166 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow 21166 = 1 \times (26)^3 + 5(26)^2 + 8(26) + 2$$

= "BFIC"

the recipient A knows the deciphering key ~~(n_A, d_A)~~
 $(n_A, d_A) = (46927, 26767)$,

so computes so, $f^{-1}(C) = C^{d_A} \bmod n_A$
 $= (21166)^{26767} \bmod 46927$
 $= 16346 = \text{"YES"}$

→ how did user A generate her keys?

1st she multiplied primes $p_A = 281$ & $q_A = 167$
 to get n_A , then chooses e_A at random

then she found $d_A = e_A^{-1} \bmod 280 \cdot 166$

Numbers p_A, q_A, d_A remain secret.

discrete log

one way
funcⁿ →

$$5^x \bmod 17 \rightarrow \text{easy}$$

from 1 to 16

→ gives different result for every x

$$\rightarrow 5^x \bmod 17 = \underbrace{12}_{\text{given}} \rightarrow \text{hard}$$

to find

x can be 9, 25, 41, 57, 73, —

if p is large then its hard to find ' x '

Discrete log

→ If ~~K~~ G is a finite group, b is an element in G and y is an element of G which is a power of b then discrete logarithm of y to the base b is any integer n such that $b^n = y$.

→ Diffie-hellman key exchange system:-

→ In particular, process of agreeing on a key for classical cryptosystem can be accomplished fairly efficiently using a public key system.

First proposal for doing this was based on discrete logarithmic problem.

→ Ex: Suppose we want to use an affine matrix transformation of pairs of digraphs

$$C \equiv \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} P + \begin{pmatrix} e \\ f \end{pmatrix} \pmod{N^2}$$

where $0 \leq a, b, c, d, e, f < N^2$

→ P is column vector consist of numerical Equi. of 2 plaintext digraphs.

→ taking k randomly selected integer k b/w 0 and N^2 , we can take a, b, c, d, e, f to be 6 digit in k written to base N^2 .

- Now describe Diffie-Hellman method for generating a random element of large finite field F_q .
- Suppose q is public knowledge: everyone knows what finite field ~~the~~ our key will be in.
- Suppose g is some fixed element of F_q , which is also not kept secret.
- Suppose that 2 Users A and B want to ~~agreed~~ agree upon a key. - a random element $g \in F_q^*$. - which they will use to encrypt their subsequent message to one another.
- A chooses an random integer a b/w $1 \leq a \leq q-1$. which she kept secret.
computes $g^a \in F_q$, \rightarrow Public
- Similarly B choose b \rightarrow secret and $g^b \rightarrow$ public
- Secret key they use is then g^{ab} .
- Ex- A know g^b (Public ~~key~~ ^{knowledge}) and A also know her ~~key~~ secret a . so she can compute g^{ab} but a third party can only know g^a & g^b .

Ex. Suppose we are using a shift & encryption of single-letter message unit in 26-letter alphabet,
 $C = P + B \bmod 26$.

→ let $g = 2$. ~~let~~ let, $a = 29$, $b = 19$

Suppose A chooses $a = 29$ and
B has public $\rightarrow 2^b = 12$

~~the~~ then A can compute as $(2^b)^a = (12)^{29} = 21 \pmod{51}$
i.e., $B = 21$

Meanwhile for A $\rightarrow 2^{29} = 45$ is public,

then B can compute as $(2^a)^b$
 $(45)^{19}$

→ This example illustrates mechanics of Diffie-Hellman key exchange system.