

Chapter 4 - Public key

Affline cryptosystem: For each $a \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*$ and $b \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ is the map from $P = \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ to $C = \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ defined by $C \equiv aP + b \pmod{N}$

Ex: Let original text = TW
 $N = 26$

$$A = 0, B = 1, C = 2, D = 3 \dots$$

$$T = 19$$

$$a = 17, b = 20$$

encrypted

$$\text{value of } T = 19 \times (17 \times 19 + 20) \% 26 = 5$$

$$\text{value of } W = (22 \times 19 + 20) \% 26 = 4$$

$$TW \equiv FE$$

Enciphering key: $K_E = (a, b)$

To decipher the code, we use deciphering key K_D

$$C \equiv aP + b \pmod{N}$$

$$P \equiv a^{-1}C - a^{-1}b$$

$$K_D = (a^{-1}, -a^{-1}b)$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/26\mathbb{Z}$$

$$= 0, 1, 2$$

$$\dots 25$$

$$(\mathbb{Z}/26\mathbb{Z})^*$$

$$= 1, 2, 3 \dots 25$$

Ex: $N = 26$

if $a = 17, b = 20$

$$\mathbb{Z}/26\mathbb{Z} = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 25$$

$$(\mathbb{Z}/26\mathbb{Z})^* = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 25$$

~~Encrypt~~ ~~Decrypt~~

$$C \equiv (17P + 20) \% 26$$

Here $K_E = (17, 20)$

To find K_D : Find a^{-1}

$$a = 17, a^{-1} = 23 \quad \text{since } (a a^{-1}) \underset{N}{=} 1$$

$$\text{therefore } \Rightarrow P = (23C - 23b) \bmod 26$$

- In case of affine enciphering transformation of $\mathbb{Z}/N^k\mathbb{Z}$, once we know the enciphering $K_E = (a, b)$, we can compute the deciphering key $K_D = (a^{-1} \bmod N^k, -a^{-1}b \bmod N^k)$ by euclidean algo. in $O(\log^3(N^k))$ bit operations

Troopdoor function = knowing the enciphering key (K_E), we ~~can~~ ^{can} compute $f: P \rightarrow C$, but we cannot compute ~~deciphering key (K_D)~~ f^{-1} without knowing extra information (such as deciphering key K_D).

Ex: Prime factoring

= easy to calculate product

= Difficult to calculate prime factors from product

= Easy to calculate one prime factor, given others.

Classical vs. Public key

Classical
• Classical cryptosystem (private key cryptosystem)
we mean a cryptosystem in which enciphering information is known, the deciphering information implemented in the same order of magnitude of time as enciphering information

If

• enciphering time were polynomial in $\log B$
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and deciphering time not polynomial in $\log B$,
then it is a public key.

Authentication = one of the most ^{important} ~~important~~s.

Parts of message is the signature. Authentication can be done with the help of enciphering key and deciphering key.

Ex: Let F_A be the enciphering key for Alice and F_B be the enciphering key for Bob.

P = set of all plaintext message units

C = set of all ciphertext message units

Let $P = C$

Let P = Alice's signature. It would not be enough for Alice to send Bob the encoded message $F_B(P)$ since everyone knows how to do that.

Therefore, Alice transmits $F_B F_A^{-1}(P)$. Now Bob decipheres the message using F_B^{-1} , and everything becomes plaintext except for the small gibberish $F_A^{-1}(P)$.

$F_A^{-1}(P)$ = signature of Alice and Bob applies F_A to obtain message unit P .

Hash function = A hash function is an

easily computable map $f: x \rightarrow h$ ~~For~~ from a very long input x to much shorter output h .

Ex: The mod function is an example of hash function.

Let table-size = 17, x = value

$$h = x \% \text{table-size}$$

For $x = 37599$

table-size = 17

$$h = 37599 \% 17 = 12$$

For $x = 573$

$$h = 573 \% 17 = 12$$

collison

Proper choice should be an exact power of 2 for table-size to avoid too much collisions.

Key exchange : If a network of users

feel attached to traditional type of cryptosystem (private key cryptosystem), they can exchange their keys $K = (K_E, K_D)$ with another.

Ex: In the Diffie-Hellman key exchange, each party generates a public/private key pair and distributes the public key. After obtaining an authentic copy of each other's public keys, they compute a shared secret offline.

Alice and Bob get public numbers $P = 23$,
 $G = 9$

Alice selects a private key $a = 4$

Bob's private key $b = 3$

Alice and Bob compute public values

$$x = (9^4 \bmod 23) = \text{Alice}$$

$$y = (9^3 \bmod 23) = \text{Bob}$$

$$x = 6$$

$$y = 16$$

Alice and Bob exchange public numbers

Alice receives $y = 16$

Bob receives $x = 6$

Alice and Bob compute symmetric keys

$$k_a = y^a \bmod p = 65536 \bmod 23 = 9$$

$$k_b = x^b \bmod p = 216 \bmod 23 = 9$$

$g = \text{shared secret}$

Probabilistic encryption

Deterministic encryption (plaintext encrypted into same ciphertext any time it sent) has some disadvantages:

- (1) Possible to compute possibilities if plaintext message belongs to small set ("yes", "No")
- (2) Difficult to prove security of the system

Therefore probabilistic encryption is used.

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different ciphertexts each time