

# Implementation of Diffie-Hellman key exchange

## Explain in details Diffie- Hellman

### Example:

Step 1: Alice and Bob get public numbers  $P = 23$ ,  $G = 9$   
Step 2: Alice selected a private key  $a = 4$  and  
Bob selected a private key  $b = 3$   
Step 3: Alice and Bob compute public values  
Alice:  $x = (9^4 \bmod 23) = (6561 \bmod 23) = 6$   
Bob:  $y = (9^3 \bmod 23) = (729 \bmod 23) = 16$   
Step 4: Alice and Bob exchange public numbers  
Step 5: Alice receives public key  $y = 16$  and  
Bob receives public key  $x = 6$   
Step 6: Alice and Bob compute symmetric keys  
Alice:  $k_a = y^a \bmod p = 65536 \bmod 23 = 9$   
Bob:  $k_b = x^b \bmod p = 216 \bmod 23 = 9$   
Step 7: 9 is the shared secret.

*# Diffie-Hellman Code*

*# Power function to return value of  $a^b \bmod P$*

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def power(a, b, p):  
    if b == 1:  
        return a  
    else:  
        return pow(a, b) % p
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*# Main function*

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def main():  
    # Both persons agree upon the public keys G and P  
    # A prime number P is taken  
    P = 23  
    print("The value of P:", P)  
  
    # A primitive root for P, G is taken  
    G = 9  
    print("The value of G:", G)  
  
    # Alice chooses the private key a  
    # a is the chosen private key  
    a = 4  
    print("The private key a for Alice:", a)  
  
    # Gets the generated key  
    x = power(G, a, P)
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# Bob chooses the private key b
# b is the chosen private key
b = 3
print("The private key b for Bob:", b)

# Gets the generated key
y = power(G, b, P)

# Generating the secret key after the exchange of keys
ka = power(y, a, P) # Secret key for Alice
kb = power(x, b, P) # Secret key for Bob

print("Secret key for Alice is:", ka)
print("Secret key for Bob is:", kb)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
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