

Experiment No 6

Aim: Implementation of Diffie Hellman Key exchange algorithm.

Theory:

Diffie-Hellman algorithm:

The Diffie-Hellman algorithm is one of the most important algorithms used for establishing a shared secret. At the time of exchanging data over a public network, we can use the shared secret for secret communication. We use an elliptic curve for generating points and getting a secret key using the parameters.

1. We will take four variables, i.e., **P (prime)**, **G (the primitive root of P)**, and **a and b (private values)**.
2. The variables **P** and **G** both are publicly available. The sender selects a private value, either a or b, for generating a key to exchange publicly. The receiver receives the key, and that generates a secret key, after which the sender and receiver both have the same secret key to encrypt.

Step-by-Step explanation is as follows:

Alice	Bob
Public Keys available = P, G	Public Keys available = P, G
Private Key Selected = a	Private Key Selected = b
Key generated $\Rightarrow x = G^a \text{ mod } P$	Key generated $\Rightarrow y = G^b \text{ mod } P$
The exchange of generated keys takes place	
Key received = y	key received = x
Generated Secret Key $\Rightarrow k_a = y^a \text{ mod } P$	Generated Secret Key $\Rightarrow k_b = x^b \text{ mod } P$
Algebraically, it can be shown that- $k_a = k_b$	
Users now have a symmetric secret key to encrypt	

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.

Code:

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#include <cmath>
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

long long int power(long long int a, long long int b, long long int P) {
    if (b == 1)
        return a;

    else
        return (((long long int)pow(a, b)) % P);
}

int main() {
    long long int P, G, x, a, y, b, ka, kb;

    cout << "Enter the value of P: " << endl;
    cin >> P;

    cout << "Enter the value of G: " << endl;
    cin >> G;

    cout << "Enter the private key a for Alice: " << endl;
    cin >> a;

    x = power(G, a, P);

    cout << "Enter the private key a for Bob: " << endl;
    cin >> b;

    y = power(G, b, P);

    ka = power(y, a, P);
    kb = power(x, b, P);
    cout << "Secret key for the Alice is : " << ka << endl;

    cout << "Secret key for the Bob is : " << kb << endl;

    return 0;
}

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Output:

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Enter the value of P:
7
Enter the value of G:
5
Enter the private key a for Alice:
2
Enter the private key a for Bob:
3
Secret key for the Alice is : 1
Secret key for the Bob is : 1
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