

More Fun with Prime Numbers

Week 4

Homework

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Problem 1

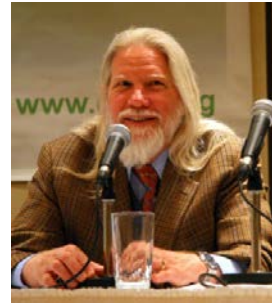
Choose the cryptosystem for which **exponentiation (mod P)** is used to encrypt the messages, and its security is based on the hardness of the **Discrete Logarithm Problem**.

- (a) The Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange
- (b) The RSA Cryptosystem
- (c) The ElGamal Encryption System
- (d) The Miller-Koblitz Elliptic Curve Cryptosystem

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(a) Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- A method to share a secret key using **exponentiation (mod P)**.
- Diffie and Hellman could not find a method to encrypt messages.



Bailey Whitfield
Diffie
(1944-)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Whitfield_Diffie



Martin Edward
Hellman
(1945-)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin_Hellman

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(b) The RSA Cryptosystem

- The first practical public key encryption system invented by Rivest, Shamir, Adleman.
- Exponentiation **(mod $N=PQ$)** is used.
- Security: **Integer Factorization Problems**



Ronald Linn
Rivest
(1947-)



Adi Shamir
(1952-)



Leonard
Adleman
(1945-)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ron_Rivest

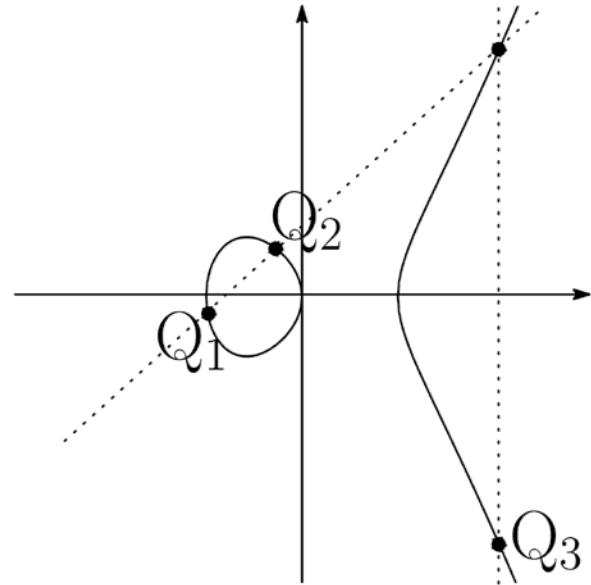
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(d) The Miller-Koblitz Elliptic Curve Cryptosystem

- ECC is invented by Miller and Koblitz in 1985.
- ECC is being widely used.
- Security: **Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem**



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Answer (c) The ElGamal Encryption System

- It is invented by Elgamal in 1985 based on Diffie-Hellman's ideas.
- Exponentiation (**mod P**) is used.
- Security: **Discrete Logarithm Problem**



Taher Elgamal
(1955-)