

Assignment 2 # 2.5, 2.7, 2.8

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2.5

$$\mathbb{F}_p^* = \{1, \dots, p-1\}, \quad a \in \mathbb{F}_p^*, \quad g^x \equiv a \pmod{p}$$

$$a^N \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

Need to prove a has square root $\iff \log_g a \pmod{p-1}$ is even

Suppose $x = \log_g a$. If $x = 2k$ is even, then $g^x = g^{2k} = (g^k)^2$ is square.

Suppose say x is odd. If that were the case then $x = 2k+1$, and say g^x is a square mod p , ex $g^x \equiv c^2 \pmod{p}$. Let's now use little Fermat's Theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} c^{p-1} &\equiv 1 \pmod{p} \\ &\equiv (c^2)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p} \\ &\equiv (g^x)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p} \\ &\equiv (g^{2k+1})^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p} \\ &\equiv g^{k(p-1)} \cdot g^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

Use definition from theorem that says

$$g^{k(p-1)} \equiv (g^{p-1})^k \equiv 1^k \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

Substitute in

$$1 \pmod{p} \equiv g^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p}$$

$g^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ which is a contradiction that g is supposed to be a primitive root. This means every odd power of g is not a square modulo p .

2.7

$$A \equiv g^a \pmod{p} \quad \text{and} \quad B \equiv g^b \pmod{p}$$

Input a, b, c

output 0 if $a \cdot b \neq c$

$a \cdot b = c$

$$C? \quad C \stackrel{?}{=} g^{ab} \pmod{p} \quad \leftarrow \text{the question}$$

- a) If you know g, g^a and g^b then this gets you g^{ab} . You can compare the value of g^{ab} with C and check if they are equivalent.
- b) We only know how to solve DH computational problem to get the DH decision problem. Nobody knows how to just solve DH decision problem.

2.8

$$p = 1373 \quad \text{base}(g) = 2$$

a) Alice picks $a = 947$

$$\text{so } A \equiv 2^{947} \pmod{1373} \equiv 177 \pmod{1373}$$

Alice public key is 177

b) Bob chooses $b = 716$ so $B \equiv 469 \pmod{1373}$

Alice encrypts message $m = 583$ using $K = 877$

$$C_1 \equiv 2^{877} \equiv 719 \pmod{1373}$$

$$C_2 \equiv 583 \cdot 469^{877} \equiv 623 \pmod{1373} \quad \text{Therefore}$$

$$(C_1, C_2) = (719, 623)$$

$$c) (C_1, C_2) = (661, 1325)$$

$$(C_1)^{-1} \cdot C_2 \equiv (661^{-1}) \cdot 1325 \equiv 645^{-1} \cdot 1325 \equiv 794 \cdot 1325 \equiv 332 \pmod{1373}$$

which makes $m = 332$ the Key is $K = 566$

d) $2^b \equiv 893 \pmod{1373}$ $b = 219$ Now we have Bob's private key

$$(C_1)^{-1} \cdot C_2 \equiv (893^{-1}) \cdot 743 \equiv 431^{-1} \cdot 743 \equiv 532 \cdot 743 \equiv 365 \pmod{1373}$$

$K = 932$ which means $m = 365$