

Digital Signature Algorithm

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Prerequisites:

$$(ab) \bmod p = (a \bmod p)(b \bmod p) \bmod p$$

$$g^{xy} \bmod p = (g^x \bmod p)^y \bmod p$$

Public Parameters:

Generate large primes: p, q

$$(q \mid p-1, |p| = 2048, |q| = 256)$$

Choose random h

$$h \in (2, \dots, p-2)$$

$$\text{Calculate } g = h^{\frac{p-1}{q}} \bmod p$$

$\because p, q$ are primes,

$$\therefore h^{p-1} \bmod p = 1$$

$$g^q \bmod p = (h^{\frac{p-1}{q}} \bmod p)^q \bmod p = h^{p-1} \bmod p = 1$$

let k be any integer,

$$g^{x+kq} \bmod p = (g^x g^{kq}) \bmod p$$

$$= (g^x \bmod p \cdot g^{kq} \bmod p) \bmod p$$

$$g^{kq} \bmod p = (g^q \bmod p)^k \bmod p = 1$$

$$\therefore g^{x+kq} \bmod p = g^x \bmod p$$

If k is negative, multiple q can be taken out from x ,

$$\therefore g^x \bmod p = g^{x \bmod q} \bmod p$$

Key Generation:

Choose random x (private key)

$$x \in (1, \dots, q-1)$$

Calculate $y = g^x \bmod p$ (public key)

Signing:

Choose random k

$$k \in (1, \dots, q-1)$$

$$\text{Calculate } r = (g^k \bmod p) \bmod q$$

$$\text{Calculate } s = (k^{-1}(H(m) + xr)) \bmod q$$

$$((k^{-1}k) \bmod q = 1)$$

$$S(r, s)$$

Verification:

$$\text{Check } 0 < r < q, 0 < s < q$$

$$\text{Calculate } w = s^{-1} \bmod q$$

$$\text{Calculate } u_1 = (H(m)w) \bmod q$$

$$\text{Calculate } u_2 = (rw) \bmod q$$

$$\text{Calculate } v = (g^{u_1} y^{u_2} \bmod p) \bmod q$$

If $v = r$, signature validated,
otherwise, rejected.

Correctness:

$$\begin{aligned} & g^{u_1} y^{u_2} \bmod p \\ &= g^{(H(m)w) \bmod q} y^{(rw) \bmod q} \bmod p \\ &= (g^{(H(m)w) \bmod q} \bmod p) \cdot (y^{(rw) \bmod q} \bmod p) \bmod p \\ &\quad \because g^x \bmod p = g^{x \bmod q} \bmod p \\ &\therefore g^{u_1} y^{u_2} \bmod p = (g^{H(m)w} y^{rw}) \bmod p \\ &= g^{H(m)w + rwx} \bmod p \\ &= g^{w(H(m) + rx)} \bmod p \\ &= g^{s^{-1}(H(m) + rx)} \bmod p \\ &= g^{k(H(m) + rx)^{-1}(H(m) + rx)} \bmod p \\ &= g^{k(mq+1)} \bmod p \\ &= (g^{kmq} g^k) \bmod p \\ &= (g^{qkm} \bmod p) \cdot (g^k \bmod p) \bmod p \\ &= g^k \bmod p \bmod p \\ &= g^k \bmod p \end{aligned}$$

Utility:

For modular inverse with respect to p:

$$aa^{-1} \bmod p = 1$$

$$\text{If } a = cd^{-1}, a^{-1} = c^{-1}d$$

(c^{-1} , d^{-1} are modular inverses WRT p respectively)

Proof:

$$aa^{-1} = cd^{-1}c^{-1}d = (cc^{-1})(dd^{-1})$$

$$\because cc^{-1} \bmod p = 1, dd^{-1} \bmod p = 1,$$

$$\therefore cc^{-1} = mp + 1, dd^{-1} = np + 1 (m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+)$$

$$aa^{-1} = mpn^2 + mp + np + 1,$$

$$aa^{-1} \bmod p = 1$$

Correct