

VE475 Homework 6

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Ex. 1 — Application of the DLP

1. (a) For Alice, she knows that

$$\gamma \equiv \alpha^r \pmod{p}$$

If Bob replies

$$b \equiv r \pmod{p-1} \text{ or } b \equiv x+r \pmod{p-1}$$

She can get

$$\alpha^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\alpha^b \equiv \alpha^r \equiv \gamma \pmod{p} \text{ or } \alpha^b \equiv \alpha^{x+r} \equiv \gamma\beta \pmod{p}$$

So after calculating $\alpha^b \pmod{p}$ and compare it with γ or $\gamma\beta$, she can prove Bob's identity if he can calculate $x = \log_\alpha \beta$.

- (b) For Bob, if he doesn't know x , then he can't compute $b \equiv x+r \pmod{p-1}$. If he want to know x , it becomes a DLP problem which is very difficult to solve, so he can prove his identity.

2. (a) 128 times.

- (b) 192 times.

3. It is Digital Signature Protocol.

Ex. 2 — Pohlig-Hellman

First, let g be a generator of the group, let $x = \log_g h$, let n be the order of the group, obtain a prime factorization so that

$$n = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i}$$

Then, for each $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$, compute $g_i = g^{n/p_i^{e_i}}$, which has order $p_i^{e_i}$, and compute $h_i = h^{n/p_i^{e_i}}$. Then we can use the Pohlig-Hellman algorithm for prime-power order to compute $x_i \in \{0, \dots, p_i^{e_i} - 1\}$, which is described as follow:

1. Let $x = \log_g h$ ($x = x_i$, $g = g_i$, $h = h_i$ from previous part), where $g = p^e$, and first initialize $x_0 = 0$.
2. Set $\gamma = g^{p^{e-1}}$.
3. For each $k \in \{0, \dots, e-1\}$, compute $h_k = (g^{-x_k} h)^{p^{e-1-k}}$, By construction, the order of this element must divide p , hence $h_k \in \langle \gamma \rangle$. Then compute d_k such that $\gamma^{d_k} = h_k$ and set $x_{k+1} = x_k + p^k d_k$.

4. Obtain $x = x_e$.

After get all x_i , solve the simultaneous congruence

$$x \equiv x_i \pmod{p_i^{e_i}}, i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$$

according to Chinese reminder theorem to get $x = \log_g h$.

As an example, we try to find $\log_3 3344$ in $G = U(Z/24389Z)$. Note that $24389 = 29^3$, so the order $n = 28 \cdot 29^2 = 2^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 29^2$.

And 3 is a generator of G , so we can get

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 &\equiv 3^{7 \cdot 29^2} \equiv 10133 \pmod{24389} \\ h_1 &\equiv 3344^{7 \cdot 29^2} \equiv 24388 \pmod{24389} \\ g_2 &\equiv 3^{2^2 \cdot 29^2} \equiv 7302 \pmod{24389} \\ h_2 &\equiv 3344^{2^2 \cdot 29^2} \equiv 4850 \pmod{24389} \\ g_3 &\equiv 3^{2^2 \cdot 7} \equiv 11369 \pmod{24389} \\ h_3 &\equiv 3344^{2^2 \cdot 7} \equiv 23114 \pmod{24389} \end{aligned}$$

First, for $p = 2$, $e = 2$, $g = 10133$ and $h = 24388$, we should determine $x_a = \log_g h$. We can get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &\equiv 10133^2 \equiv 24388 \equiv -1 \pmod{24389} \\ h_0 &\equiv (10133^0 \cdot -1)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{24389}, \quad d_0 = 0, \quad x_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ h_1 &\equiv (10133^0 \cdot -1)^1 \equiv -1 \pmod{24389}, \quad d_1 = 1, \quad x_2 \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ x_a &= 2 \pmod{4} \end{aligned}$$

Second, for $p = 7$, $e = 1$, $g = 7302$ and $h = 4850$, we should determine $x_b = \log_g h$. We can get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &\equiv 7302^1 \equiv 7302 \pmod{24389} \\ h_0 &\equiv (7302^0 \cdot 4850)^1 \equiv 4850 \pmod{24389}, \quad d_0 = 2, \quad x_1 \equiv 2 \pmod{7} \\ x_b &= 2 \pmod{7} \end{aligned}$$

Third, for $p = 29$, $e = 2$, $g = 11369$ and $h = 23114$, we should determine $x_c = \log_g h$. We can get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &\equiv 11369^{29} \equiv 12616 \pmod{24389} \\ h_0 &\equiv (11369^0 \cdot 23114)^{29} \equiv 11775 \pmod{24389}, \quad d_0 = 28, \quad x_1 \equiv 28 \pmod{841} \\ h_1 &\equiv (11369^{-28} \cdot 23114)^1 \equiv 3365 \pmod{24389}, \quad d_1 = 8, \quad x_2 \equiv 260 \pmod{841} \\ x_c &= 260 \pmod{841} \end{aligned}$$

According to Chinese remainder theorem, we can simply get

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv 2 \pmod{28} \\ x &\equiv 260 \pmod{841} \\ 841 \cdot 1 &\equiv 1 \pmod{28} \\ 28 \cdot 811 &\equiv 1 \pmod{841} \\ x &\equiv 841 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 + 28 \cdot 811 \cdot 260 \equiv 18762 \pmod{23548} \end{aligned}$$

Ex. 3 — Elgamal

1. If the polynomial $X^3 + 2X^2 + 1$ is reducible in $F_3[x]$, it can be factored as

$$X^3 + 2X^2 + 1 = (X + A)(X^2 + BX + C) = X^3 + A(B + 1)X^2 + (B + C)X + AC$$

There are two possible pairs of (A, C) , which are $(1, 1)$ and $(2, 2)$ so that $AC = 1$.

First, if $A = C = 1$, then $B = 2$, but $A(B + 1) = 0 \neq 2$, so it is wrong.

Second, if $A = C = 2$, then $B = 1$, but $A(B + 1) = 1 \neq 2$, so it is also wrong.

Then we can conclude that $X^3 + 2X^2 + 1$ is irreducible in $F_3[x]$.

According to Theorem 2.38, $X^3 + 2X^2 + 1$ is an irreducible polynomial of degree 3 in $F_3[x]$, let F_{3^3} be the set of all the polynomial of degree less than 3 in $F_3[x]$, then F_{3^3} is a finite field with $3^3 = 27$ elements.

2. We can use 26 lower-case letters and define a map $\xi \leftrightarrow f(\xi)$, where ξ is one of 26 letters. That is, $a \leftrightarrow 1, b \leftrightarrow 2, \dots, z \leftrightarrow 26$.

Let $P(x) = X^3 + 2X^2 + 1$,

$X^1 \equiv X \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^2 \equiv X^2 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^3 \equiv X^2 - 1 \pmod{P(X)}$
$X^4 \equiv X^2 - X - 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^5 \equiv -X - 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^6 \equiv -X^2 - X \pmod{P(X)}$
$X^7 \equiv X^2 + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^8 \equiv X^2 + X - 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^9 \equiv -X^2 - X - 1 \pmod{P(X)}$
$X^{10} \equiv X^2 - X + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{11} \equiv X - 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{12} \equiv X^2 - X \pmod{P(X)}$
$X^{13} \equiv -1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{14} \equiv -X \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{15} \equiv -X^2 \pmod{P(X)}$
$X^{16} \equiv -X^2 + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{17} \equiv -X^2 + X + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{18} \equiv X + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$
$X^{19} \equiv X^2 + X \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{20} \equiv -X^2 - 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{21} \equiv -X^2 - X + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$
$X^{22} \equiv X^2 + X + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{23} \equiv -X^2 + X - 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{24} \equiv -X + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$
$X^{25} \equiv -X^2 + X \pmod{P(X)}$	$X^{26} \equiv 1 \pmod{P(X)}$	

So X is a generator of F_{3^3} , and we can define the map as

$$\xi \rightarrow g(\xi) : g(\xi) = X^{f(\xi)} \pmod{P(X)}$$

3. According to Part 2, the order of the subgroup generated by X is 26,
 4. Use X as the generator and 11 as the secret key,

$$X^{11} \equiv X - 1 \equiv X + 2 \pmod{P(X)}$$

So $X + 2$ is the public key.

5. Choose $k = 18$, we can get

$$r \equiv X^{18} \equiv X + 1 \pmod{P(X)}$$

$$\beta^k \equiv (X + 2)^{18} \equiv \pmod{P(X)}$$

Then we can map the message “goodmorning” into F_{3^3} as

$$X^2 + 1, -X^2, -X^2, X^2 - X - 1, -1, -X^2, X + 1, -X, -X^2 - X - 1, -X, X^2 + 1$$

which can be encrypted by the equation

$$c \equiv \beta^k m \equiv (X + 2)^{18} m \pmod{P(X)}$$

The result r is

$$X^2 + X, X, X, -X^2 + 1, -X^2 + X, X, X^2 - X - 1, 1, -X^2 - X + 1, 1, X^2 + X$$

Mapping them back to letters, we get the ciphertext “saapyadzuzs”.

Then we can use

$$m \equiv tr^{-x} \equiv t(X + 1)^{-11} \pmod{P(X)}$$

The result m is

$$X^2 + 1, -X^2, -X^2, X^2 - X - 1, -1, -X^2, X + 1, -X, -X^2 - X - 1, -X, X^2 + 1$$

So the plaintext is successfully decrypted.

Ex. 4 — Simple Questions

1. (i) Yes. We know $h(x) \equiv x^2 \pmod{pq}$, and we can find x by computing $\sqrt{h(x)} \pmod{p}$ and $\sqrt{h(x)} \pmod{q}$ and then use Chinese remainder theorem. However, p, q are large primes, the factorization of n is very difficult, so we can't efficiently find x .
(ii) No. Given x , we can find $x' = -x$ so that $h(x) = h(x')$.
(iii) No. For any x and x' so that $x' = -x$, we can find $h(x) = h(x')$.
2. (i) Efficiently computed for any input can be verified. Any length of message m can be computed into an 160 bits length result efficiently through xor.
(ii) Pre-image resistant is not verified. Given y , let $m = y$, we can get $h(m) = y$.
(iii) Second pre-image resistant is not verified. Given m , we can add 160 bits 0 after m to form m' , so that $h(m) = h(m')$.
(iv) Collision resistant is not verified. For any m and m' so that 160 bits 0 after m are added to to form m' , we can find $h(m) = h(m')$.

Ex. 5 — Merkle-Damgård construction

1. a) Suppose the map s is not injective, that is, $\exists x \neq x'$ so that $y = y'$. Then we can apply the following strategy to examine. Let $y_0 = y$, if $y_{0,|y_0|-1} || y_{0,|y_0|} = 01$, we can find $x_{|x|} = x'_{|x'|} = 1$, and let $y_0 = y_{0,1} || \dots || y_{0,|y_0|-2}$. Otherwise, if $y_{0,|y_0|} = 0$, we can find $x_{|x|} = x'_{|x'|} = 0$, and let $y_0 = y_{0,1} || \dots || y_{0,|y_0|-1}$. Repeating the strategy until $|y_0| = 11$, we can find all bits of x and x' are the same, so $x = x'$, which makes a contradiction. So map s is injective.
b) If z is empty, according to a), we know there is no strings $x \neq x'$ and z such that $s(x) = z || s(x')$.
If z is not empty, let $a = z || s(x')$, we can find a substring 11 in $a_1 || a_2 || \dots || a_{|a|}$. However, we can only find 11 in $s(x)_0 || s(x)_1$, which makes a contradiction.
So we can conclude that there is no strings $x \neq x'$ and z such that $s(x) = z || s(x')$.

2. From the two previous conditions, we know collisions can't be found through changing bits of input or adding paddings, which means the map s is collision resistant.
3. Assuming we have a collision on h , i.e. $x \neq x'$ and $h(x) = h(x')$, we will prove that a collision on the compression function g can be efficiently found.

Since $x \neq x'$, they are padded with two different values d and d' , respectively. Similarly $k + 1$ and $k' + 1$ denote the number of blocks for x and x' .

Since $t - 1 = 0$, we don't need to consider $x \not\equiv x' \pmod{t-1}$ any more, then we can only consider $k = k'$ and $k \neq k'$.

First, consider $k = k'$, this implies $y_{k+1} = y_{k'+1}$, and we have

$$g(z_{k-1} || y_k) = z_k = h(x) = h(x') = z_k = g(z'_{k-1} || y'_k)$$

If $z_{k-1} \neq z'_{k-1}$, a collision is found. Otherwise we repeat the process and get

$$g(z_{k-2} || y_{k-1}) = z_{k-1} = h(x) = h(x') = z_{k-1} = g(z'_{k-2} || y'_{k-1})$$

Then either we have found a collision or we continue backward until one is obtained. If none is found then we get $z_1 = z'_1, \dots, z_k = z'_k$, which makes a contradiction.

Second, consider $k \neq k'$. Without loss of generality assume $k' > k$ and proceed as in the first case. If no collision is found before $k = 1$ then we have

$$g(0^m || y_1) = z_1 = z'_{k'-k+1} = g(z'_{k'-k} || 1 || y'_{k'-k+1})$$

By construction the m bit on the left is 0 while on the right it is 1. Hence we have found a collision.

All the cases being covered this completes the proof.

Ex. 6 — Programming

In the ex6 folder, with a README file inside it.