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Alice and Bob agree to use the prime $p = 1373$ and the base $g = 2$ for communications using the El-Gamal public key cryptosystem.

a

Alice's private key is $a = 947$. What is her public key A ?

✓ Answer ✓

$$A \equiv g^a \pmod{p}$$

$$A \equiv 177$$

b

Bob has private key $b = 716$ and public key $B = 469$. Alice encrypts message $m = 583$ with nonce $k = 877$. What ciphertext does she send to Bob?

✓ Answer

$$c_1 = g^k \pmod{p} = 719$$

$$c_2 = mB^k = 1296$$

$$c = (719, 1296)$$

c

Alice gets new private key $a = 299$ and public key $A = 34$. Bob sends message $(661, 1325)$ using this new public key. Decrypt the message.

✓ Answer

$$x = c_1^{p-1-a} = 794$$

$$m = c_2x = 332$$

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d

Bob has new public key $B = 893$. Alice sends him the message $(693, 793)$. Eve manages to solve the discrete log problem (with generous assistance from you) and uses b to decrypt the message. What is the message?

✓ **Answer**

$$k = 932$$

$$A^k = 431$$

$$A^{-k} = 532$$

$$m = 365$$