

## 1 Euler's Theorem

If  $\gcd(a, m) = 1$  then :

$$a^{\phi(m)} \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$$

where,  $\phi(m)$  is Euler's totient function

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \{x \mid \gcd(x, m) = 1\} \\ &= \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{\phi(m)}\} \end{aligned}$$

$\gcd(s_i, m) = 1$  (obvious)

Considering another set:

$$S_1 = \{a.s_1, a.s_2, \dots, a.s_{\phi(m)}\}$$

$a.s_i \not\equiv a.s_j \pmod{m}$  (elements in  $S_1$  are also distinct like in  $S$ )

$$|S| = \phi(m)$$

$$|S_1| = \phi(m)$$

Since,  $s_i$  (from set  $S$ ) is co-prime to  $m$ , then  $a.s_i$  (exist in set  $S_1$ ) is also co-prime to  $m$  (because no factor can be taken out from  $a$  by  $m$  since  $\gcd(a, m) = 1$ ).

In nutshell, we can say some element of set  $S$  is equivalent to some element of  $S_1$  :

$$\implies s_i \equiv a.s_j \pmod{m}$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^{\phi(m)} s_i \equiv \prod_{j=1}^{\phi(m)} a.s_j \pmod{m}$$

$$\implies \prod_{i=1}^{\phi(m)} s_i \equiv a^{\phi(m)} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{\phi(m)} s_j \pmod{m}$$

Inverse of each element exists (because of  $\gcd$  being 1 with  $m$  for all elements), so we can cancel equal terms from both sides.

$$\implies a^{\phi(m)} \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$$

## 2 Fermat's Theorem

If  $p$  is a prime number and  $p$  does not divide integer  $a$  then:

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

(Derived from Euler's theorem, as  $\phi(m) = m - 1$  when  $m$  is prime)

Also,

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

(This one is true even when  $p$  divides  $a$ )

### 3 RSA Cryptosystem

Few facts :

1. If  $\gcd(a,m) = 1$  then  $a^{\phi(m)} \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$
2.  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

Designed by Rivest, Shamir and Adleman in 1977.

- $n = pq$       here p,q are primes
- Plaintext space =  $\mathbb{Z}_n$   
Ciphertext space =  $\mathbb{Z}_n$
- Key space  
=  $\{K = (n, p, q, e, d) \mid ed \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}\}$
- Encryption:  
 $K = (n, p, q, e, d)$   
 $E(x, K) = C$   
 $C = E(x, K) = x^e \pmod{n}$
- Decryption:  
 $\text{Dec}(C, K) = x$   
 $x = \text{Dec}(c, K) = c^d \pmod{n}$

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned}ed &\equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)} \\ \implies ed - 1 &= t \cdot \phi(n) \\ 1 &= e \cdot d + t_1 \phi(n) \\ 1 &= \gcd(e, \phi(n)) = e \cdot d + t_1 \phi(n)\end{aligned}$$

Enc:  $C = x^e \pmod{n}$

Dec:  $x = c^d \pmod{n}$

$$c^d = (x^e)^d \pmod{n} = x^{ed} \pmod{n}$$

Also,  $e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$

$$ed - 1 = t \cdot \phi(n)$$

$$\implies ed = 1 + t \cdot \phi(n)$$

Now,  $c^d = x^{1+t \cdot \phi(n)} \pmod{n}$

$$= x \cdot x^{t \cdot \phi(n)} \pmod{n}$$

$$= x \cdot x^{t \cdot [(p-1) \cdot (q-1)]} \pmod{n}$$

$$= x \cdot x^{t \cdot [(p-1) \cdot (q-1)]} \pmod{pq}$$

We need prove that  $x^{t \cdot [(p-1) \cdot (q-1)]} \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}$

Possible gcds b/w x (whose range is from 0 to pq-1) and pq (p is prime, q is prime): 1, p, q (three possibilities)

- $x$  can have multiple of neither  $p$  nor  $q \implies \gcd = 1$ .
- $x$  can have multiple of  $p$  only  $\implies \gcd = p$
- $x$  can have multiple of  $q$  only  $\implies \gcd = q$
- $x$  can not have multiple of both  $p$  and  $q$  because max value of  $x$  is  $pq-1$

**Case 1:**

$$\gcd(x, pq) = 1$$

$$\implies \gcd(x, p) = 1 \text{ (because no multiple } p \text{ and } q \text{ in } x, p \text{ is prime)}$$

$$\text{and } \gcd(x, q) = 1$$

$$\text{By Euler's theorem: } x^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{t(p-1)(q-1)} \pmod{p} &\equiv (x^{p-1})^{t(q-1)} \pmod{p} \\ &\equiv 1 \pmod{p} \text{ (As } x^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \text{)} \end{aligned}$$

Similary,

$$\begin{aligned} x^{t(p-1)(q-1)} \pmod{q} &\equiv (x^{q-1})^{t(p-1)} \pmod{q} \\ &\equiv 1 \pmod{q} \text{ (As } x^{q-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{q} \text{)} \end{aligned}$$

On combining these two:

$$x^{t(p-1)(q-1)} \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}$$

**Case 2, 3:** pending