Mobile Application Development Junior infants crypto maths

Waterford Institute of Technology

November 13, 2016

John Fitzgerald

Sign your app

Learning objectives

An overview of:

- Mathematics underlying encryption.
- Extremely simple explanations.
- Real-world encryption uses huge numbers:
- Example: 600 digits; 2000 bits.
- We work with smallest possible quantities for learning purpose.
- We provide examples of:
 - Prime numbers.
 - Generators.
 - Modular arithmetic.
 - Symmetric key encryption.
 - Public key encryption.
 - Hashing

Number Theory

The briefest of introductions

Number Theory

Prime number

- Natural numbers: whole numbers: 0, 1, 2, 3, . . .
- Prime: natural number divisible only by itself and one.
- Examples of primes: 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13
- 4 is not prime because it is divisible by 2.
- Zero and one are not considered primes.

Prime number

- There is an infinite number of primes.
- Primes still being discovered.
- Structure of pattern of primes still unsolved.
- In real-world cryptography huge prime numbers are used.
- Typically 600 digits, approximately 2000 bits.
- We will work with very small primes.

Prime number

- All natural numbers are either prime or composite numbers.
- A number not a prime number is a composite.
- Prime: 7 because factors are itself and one only.
- Composite: 8 because factors are 1, 2, 4, 8 and so not prime.

Euclid's discoveries (300 BC)

- Realized all numbers prime or composite.
- Any number repeatedly divisible until set primes arrived at.

•
$$15 = 3 + 3 + 3$$

•
$$25 = 5 + 5 + 5 + 5 + 5$$

•
$$49 = 7 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 7$$

Euclid Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

Also called *Unique Factorization Theorem* or *Unique Prime Factorization Theorem*

- Every integer greater than 1 either prime or product of primes
- Example: $30 = 2 \times 15$ (The prime 2 added 15 times)

Euclid Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

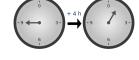
- $30 = 2 \times 15$ (The prime 2 added 15 times)
- 30 = 3 x 10 (The prime 3 added 10 times)
- $30 = 5 \times 6$ (The prime 5 added 6 times)
- 2, 3 and 5 are the prime factors of 30.

Euclid Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic)

- 2 x 3 x 5 is prime factorization of 30.
- Every number has one & only one prime factorization.
- Unique: no two numbers have same factorization.
- Analogy: each number different lock with unique key.
- The unique key: the prime factors.
- No two locks share same key.
- No two numbers share prime same factorization.

Modular arithmetic

- Also referred to as clock arithmetic.
- Number wraps around when modulus reached.
- In case of 12-hour clock the modulus is 12
- Valid range numbers is 0 to 11.
- Example modular addition:
 - $9+2 \mod 12=11$
 - $9+3 \mod 12=0$
 - $9+4 \mod 12=1$



Modular arithmetic

- Java uses % operator for modular arithmetic.
- Example where modulus is 12:
 - 15 % 12 is 3
 - 3 is the remainder when 15 divided by 12.
 - Also expressed as 15 mod 12
- So 15 mod 12 is congruent to 3.
- Which may be expressed as 15 mod $12 \equiv 3$.

Modular Arithmetic Congruence

What are hashes & how are they generated?

Hash & Hash Algorithms

What are hashes & how are they generated?

- Cryptographic hash function:
 - Input: message variable length.
 - Output: fixed-size alphanumeric string.
 - Complexity: algorithmic complexity high.

What are hashes & how are they generated?

- Cryptographic hash function:
 - Example: SHA-1
 - Output: fixed-size alphanumeric string.

Trivial example hash function - definitely not cryptographic standard

```
// Input: any—length string
// Output: 3—digit integer
static int modulus = 1000;
public static int simpleHashAlgorithm(String s) {
  int hash = 0;
  char[] chars = s.toCharArray();
  for (char ch : chars) {
    hash += ch;
  }
  return padding(hash % modulus); // padding: ensure always minimum 3 digits
}
```

```
Input: "ICTSkills-2015"
Output: 950
```

```
Input: "ICTSkills—2016"
Output: 960
```

SHA-1 hashing examples

Observe differences between inputs and outputs

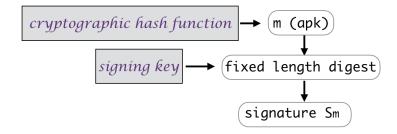
ICTSkills-2015

c83007996185ec1269ae9d1e78ef12d51ac0b078

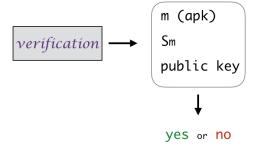
ICTSkills-2016

33f87c1b7e03bc33b34e62313a638123260ca0b0

Sign your app



Sign your app Verifying



Symmetric Key Encryption

Example using one-time pad

Symmetric Key Encryption

One Time Pad

Key same length as plaintext

Exclusive OR denoted by \oplus .

- m denotes plaintext or message text
- k denotes key
- c denotes the cipher text or encrypted message
- $c = m \oplus k$

а	b	$a \oplus b$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

m	0	1	1	0	1	1
k	1	0	1	1	0	0
С	1	1	0	1	1	1

One Time Pad

Key same length as plaintext

Observe from table:

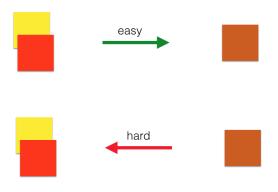
- $c = m \oplus k$
- $m = c \oplus k$

m	0	1	1	0	1	1
k	1	0	1	1	0	0
С	1	1	0	1	1	1
$c \oplus k$	0	1	1	0	1	1

Discovered independently by Diffie & Hellman (Stanford) & Christopher Cocks (GCHQ)

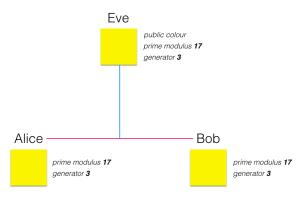
Diffie-Hellman

Uses One-Way Function



One-Way function

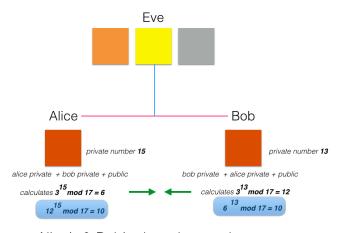
One-Way Function - underlying mathematical theory



One-Way Function - underlying mathematical theory



One-Way Function - underlying mathematical theory

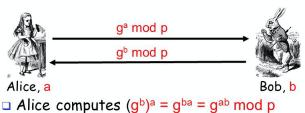


Alice's & Bob's shared secret key

Diffie-Hellman & Christopher Cocks

Diffie-Hellman

- □ Public: g and p
- Private: Alice's exponent a, Bob's exponent b



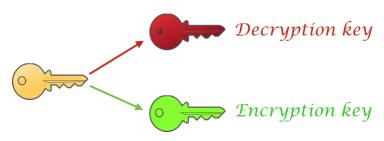
- \square Bob computes $(g^a)^b = g^{ab} \mod p$
- Use K = g^{ab} mod p as symmetric key

Discovered by Rivest, Shamir, Adleman (RSA) & Christopher Cocks (GCHQ)

RSA

public-private key pair

- Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir & Leonard Adleman
- Key generator produces two components.
- The private (secret) key (SK) used to decrypt.
- The public key (PK) used to encrypt.
- Keys have inverse functionality.
 - Encrypt with PK => decrypt with SK.
 - Sign (encrypt) with SK => verify (decrypt) with PK.



Mathematical explanation

- Let modulus be 14.
- Alice uses key generator to output public-private key pair.
- Gives (somehow) public key to Bob.
 - Private key: (11, 14)
 - Public key: (5, 14)
 - There is a mathematical relationship between the 11 & 5
 - Brief explanation follows
 - More detailed explanations referenced materials

Mathematical explanation

- Let modulus Z be p * q where p, q very large primes
- p & q remain secret trapdoor function
- Calculation Z very easy
- Derivation p, q given Z very hard
- Applying set rules using p, q (see ref material):
 - Choose number e.
 - (e, Z) the public key
 - Choose secret number d
 - (d, Z) the private key.

Plaintext m: Ciphertext c

Encryption:

$$c = m^e \mod Z$$

Decryption:

$$m = c^d \mod Z$$

Mathematical explanation

Bob encrypts plaintext 2 using public key (5, 14):

$$c = 2^5 \mod 14$$
$$= 4$$

Hint: Use Paul Trow's online modular arithmetic calculator:

 ${\tt https://goo.gl/MhfqcO}$

Mathematical explanation

Alice uses private key (11, 14) to decrypt c = 4:

$$m = 4^{11} mode 14$$
$$= 2$$

Mathematical explanation

Alice uses private key (11, 14) to sign (encrypt) a message m=2:

$$c = 2^{11} mode 14$$
$$= 4$$

Bob verifies signed message 4 using public key (5, 14):

$$m = 4^5 \mod 14$$

= 2 (verified)

The importance of $\mathbf{p} \ \& \ \mathbf{q}$

The modulus \mathbf{Z} is the product of $\mathbf{p} \ \& \ \mathbf{q}$.

- Individual numbers p & q required in calculation of:
 - **e** the public key exponent (e, Z)
 - d the private key (d, Z)
- Z is public.
- Therefore: if Z factorizable then boom goes eCommerce and lots more besides.

References

Encryption & Digital Signing

1. Official documentation: Sign Your App

http://bit.ly/2eIDwQE [Accessed 2016-10-19]

2. Khan Academy: Journey into Cryptography

http://bit.ly/2eIyBPO

[Accessed 2016-10-27]

3. Mathematical Cryptosystems (1 of 2): Symmetric Cryptography

http://bit.ly/2ey52Ti

[Accessed 2016-10-27]

References

Encryption & Digital Signing

4. Mathematical Cryptosystems (2 of 2): Symmetric Cryptography

http://bit.ly/2eOTpFV

[Accessed 2016-10-27]

5. KhanAcademy: Digital Signatures High-level Description

http://bit.ly/2eUCT5I

[Accessed 2016-10-27]

6. Public Key Encrpyion & Digital Signature: How do they work?

https://goo.gl/lHHsRo

[Accessed 2016-10-28]

References

Encryption & Digital Signing

7. How PGP Works

https://goo.gl/2UKnR5

[Accessed 2016-10-28] 8. Diffie-Hellman key exchange

https://goo.gl/lNXGB8

[Accessed 2016-11-03]

9. How RSA and PKI works and the math behind it

http://bit.ly/2f0nvfs

[Accessed 2016-11-13]



Except where otherwise noted, this content is licensed under a Creative Commons
Attribution-NonCommercial 3.0 License.

For more information, please see http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/3.0/



