COS433/Math 473: Cryptography

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Announcements/Reminders

HW4 due Today

HW5 due Nov 10, will be released today
PR2 will be released soon

Heads up: Lecture 18 (next Tuesday) will be pre-recorded
Previously on COS 433...
Discrete Log
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Let $p$ be a large number (usually prime)

Given $g \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$, $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, “easy” to compute $g^a \mod p$

- Time $\text{poly}(\log a, \log p)$
- How?

However, no known efficient ways to recover $a \pmod{\Phi(p)=p-1}$ from $g$ and $g^a \mod p$
Generalizing Cryptographic Groups

Replace fixed family of groups with “group generator” algorithm

\[(G,g,q) \leftarrow \text{GrGen}(\lambda)\]
Stronger Assumptions on Groups

Sometimes, the discrete log assumption is not enough

Instead, define stronger assumptions on groups

Computational Diffie-Hellman:
• Given \((g, g^a, g^b)\), compute \(g^{ab}\)

Decisional Diffie-Hellman:
• Distinguish \((g, g^a, g^b, g^c)\) from \((g, g^a, g^b, g^{ab})\)
DLog:
• Given \((g, g^a)\), compute \(a\)

CDH:
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DDH:
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Computational Diffie Hellman: For any algorithm running in polynomial time, there exists negligible \( \varepsilon \) such that:

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\Pr [g^{ab} \leftarrow (p, g, g^a, g^b): \\
p \leftarrow \text{random } \lambda\text{-bit prime} \\
g \leftarrow \text{random generator of } \mathbb{Z}_p^* \\
a, b \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_{p-1} \\
] \leq \varepsilon(\lambda)
\]
Decisional Diffie Hellman for $\text{GrGen}$:

For any algorithm running in polynomial time, there exists negligible $\epsilon$ such that:

\[
| \Pr[1 \leftarrow (g,g^a,g^b,g^{ab}) : (G,g,q) \leftarrow \text{GrGen}(\lambda), a,b \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q] - \Pr[1 \leftarrow (g,g^a,g^b,g^c) : (G,g,q) \leftarrow \text{GrGen}(\lambda), a,b,c \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q] | \leq \epsilon(\lambda)
\]
Today

Integer factorization
Public key cryptography
Integer Factorization

Given an integer \( N \), find it’s prime factors

Studied for centuries, presumed difficult

• Grade school algorithm: \( O(N^{1/2}) \)
• Better algorithms using birthday paradox: \( O(N^{1/4}) \)
• Even better assuming G. Riemann Hyp.: \( O(N^{1/6}) \)
• Still better heuristic algorithms: 
  \[ \exp( C (\log N)^{1/3} (\log \log N)^{2/3} ) \]
• However, all require super-polynomial time in bit-length of \( N \)
Factoring Assumption: For any factoring algorithm running in polynomial time, \( \exists \) negligible \( \varepsilon \) such that:

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P_{\mathbf{r}}[(p,q) \leftarrow (N) : \begin{align*}
    N &= pq \\
    p, q &\leftarrow \text{random } \lambda\text{-bit primes} \end{align*}] \leq \varepsilon(\lambda)
\]
Chinese Remainder Theorem

Let \( N = pq \) for distinct prime \( p, q \)

Let \( x \in \mathbb{Z}_p, \ y \in \mathbb{Z}_q \)

Then there exists a unique integer \( z \in \mathbb{Z}_N \) such that

- \( x = z \ mod \ p \), and
- \( y = z \ mod \ q \)

Proof: \( z = [py(p^{-1} \ mod \ q) + qx(q^{-1} \ mod \ p)] \ mod \ N \)
Quadratic Residues

**Definition:** \( y \) is a quadratic residue mod \( N \) if there exists an \( x \) such that \( y = x^2 \mod N \). \( x \) is called a “square root” of \( y \).

Ex:

- Let \( p \) be a prime, and \( y \neq 0 \) a quadratic residue mod \( p \). How many square roots of \( y \)?
- Let \( N = pq \) be the product of two primes, \( y \) a quadratic residue mod \( N \). Suppose \( y \neq 0 \mod p \) and \( y \neq 0 \mod q \). How many square roots?
**QR Assumption:** For any algorithm running in polynomial time, \( \exists \) negligible \( \varepsilon \) such that:

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\Pr[y^2 = x^2 \mod N:
  \begin{align*}
  y &\leftarrow \mathcal{R}(N,x^2) \\
  N &\leftarrow pq, \text{ } p,q \leftarrow \text{random } \lambda\text{-bit primes} \\
  x &\leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_N
  \end{align*}
] \leq \varepsilon(\lambda)
\]
Theorem: If the factoring assumption holds, then the QR assumption holds
Proof

To factor $N$:
• $x \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_N$
• $y \leftarrow (N, x^2)$
• Output $\text{GCD}(x-y, N)$

Analysis:
• Let $\{a, b, c, d\}$ be the 4 square roots of $x^2$
• has no idea which one you chose
• With probability $\frac{1}{2}$, $y$ will not be in $\{+x, -x\}$
• In this case, we know $x=y \mod p$ but $x=-y \mod q$
Collision Resistance from Factoring

Let $N = pq$, $y$ a QR mod $N$
Suppose $-1$ is not a QR mod $N$

Hashing key: $(N, y)$
Domain: $\{1, \ldots, (N-1)/2\} \times \{0,1\}$
Range: $\{1, \ldots, (N-1)/2\}$

$H( (N, y), (x, b) )$: Let $z = y^b x^2 \mod N$
- If $z \in \{1, \ldots, (N-1)/2\}$, output $z$
- Else, output $-z \mod N \in \{1, \ldots, (N-1)/2\}$
Theorem: If the factoring assumption holds, $H$ is collision resistant

Proof:

- Collision means $(x_0, b_0) \neq (x_1, b_1)$ s.t.
  \[ y^{b_0} x_0^2 = \pm y^{b_1} x_1^2 \mod N \]

- If $b_0 = b_1$, then $x_0 \neq x_1$, but $x_0^2 = \pm x_1^2 \mod N$
  - $x_0^2 = -x_1^2 \mod N$ not possible. Why?
  - $x_0 \neq -x_1$ since $x_0, x_1 \in \{1, \ldots, (N-1)/2\}$

- If $b_0 \neq b_1$, then $(x_0/x_1)^2 = \pm y^{\pm 1} \mod N$
  - $-y$ case not possible. Why?
  - $(x_0/x_1)$ or $(x_1/x_0)$ is a square root of $y$
Choosing $N$

How to choose $N$ so that $-1$ is not a QR?

By CRT, need to choose $p,q$ such that $-1$ is not a QR $\text{mod } p$ or $\text{mod } q$

Fact: if $p = 3 \text{ mod } 4$, then $-1$ is not a QR $\text{mod } p$
Fact: if $p = 1 \text{ mod } 4$, then $-1$ is a QR $\text{mod } p$
Is Composite **N** Necessary for SQ to be hard?

Let \( p \) be a prime, and suppose \( p = 3 \mod 4 \)

Given a QR \( x \mod p \), how to compute square root?

Hint: recall Fermat: \( x^{p-1}=1 \mod p \) for all \( x \neq 0 \)

Hint: what is \( x^{(p+1)/2} \mod p ? \)
Solving Quadratic Equations

In general, solving quadratic equations is:

• Easy over prime moduli
• As hard as factoring over composite moduli
Other Powers?

What about \(x \rightarrow x^4 \mod N\)? \(x \rightarrow x^6 \mod N\)?

The function \(x \rightarrow x^3 \mod N\) appears quite different
- Suppose 3 is relatively prime to \(p-1\) and \(q-1\)
- Then \(x \rightarrow x^3 \mod p\) is injective for \(x \neq 0\)
  - Let \(a\) be such that \(3a = 1 \mod p-1\)
  - \((x^3)^a = x^{1+k(p-1)} = x(x^{p-1})^k = x \mod p\)
- By CRT, \(x \rightarrow x^3 \mod N\) is injective for \(x \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*\)
What does injectivity mean?

Cannot base of factoring:

Adapt alg for square roots?

• Choose a random $z \mod N$
• Compute $y = z^3 \mod N$
• Run inverter on $y$ to get a cube root $x$
• Let $p = \text{GCD}(z-x, N)$, $q = N/p$
RSA Problem

Given

• \( N = pq, \)
• \( e \) such that \( \gcd(e, p-1) = \gcd(e, q-1) = 1, \)
• \( y = x^e \mod N \) for a random \( x \)

Find \( x \)

Injectivity means cannot base hardness on factoring, but still conjectured to be hard
RSA Assumption: For any algorithm running in polynomial time, there exists negligible $\varepsilon$ such that:

$$\Pr[x \leftarrow (N, x^3 \mod N) \mid N = pq \text{ and } p, q \text{ random } \lambda\text{-bit primes s.t. } GCD(3, p-1) = GCD(3, q-1) = 1, x \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_N^*] \leq \varepsilon(\lambda)$$
Application: PRGs

Let $F(x) = x^3 \mod N$, $h(x) =$ least significant bit

**Theorem:** If RSA Assumption holds, then $G(x) = (F(x), h(x))$ is a secure PRG
Public Key Cryptography
How do Alice & Bob get \( k \)?
Limitations

Time consuming

Not realistic in many situations
• Do you really want to send a courier to every website you want to communicate with

Doesn’t scale well
• Imagine 1M people communicating with 1M people

If not meeting in person, need to trust courier
Public Key Distribution
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Interactive Protocols

Pair of interactive (randomized) algorithms $A, B$

$A(x) \leftrightarrow B(y)$

Transcript $Trans$

Write $(Trans, o_A, o_B) \leftarrow (A, B)(x, y)$
Public Key Distribution

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Correctness:

$$\Pr[o_A = o_B: (\text{Trans}, o_A, o_B) \leftarrow (A, B)()] = 1$$

Shared key is $k := o_A = o_B$

- Define $(\text{Trans}, k) \leftarrow (A, B)()$

Security: $(\text{Trans}, k)$ is computationally indistinguishable from $(\text{Trans}, k')$ where $k' \leftarrow K$ independent of $k$
Matrix Multiplication Approach

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Assuming Matrix Multiplication exponent $\omega > 2$, adversary must work harder than honest users.