

RSA: factoring hard

next:

DH/ElGamal: discrete logs hard

" $x = \log_3(4)$ "

EG $4 \equiv 3^x \pmod{7}$ Find x .

Try $x=2, 3, 4, \dots$

$$3^2 \equiv 2, 3^3 \equiv 2 \cdot 3 \equiv -1, 3^4 \equiv -1 \cdot 3 \equiv 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4$$

EG $3 \equiv 2^x \pmod{101} \Rightarrow x = 69$

Diffie-Hellman key exchange:

• A+B select large p , primitive root $g \pmod{p}$

• A selects random y , reveals $g^y \pmod{p}$
B selects random x , reveals $g^x \pmod{p}$

\Rightarrow A+B now share secret: $g^{xy} \pmod{p}$

$$[A: \text{knows } y, g^x \Rightarrow g^{xy} = (g^x)^y]$$

EG A+B select $p=53$, $g=5$ for DH.

A $\xrightarrow{43}$ B, B $\xrightarrow{20}$ A What is shared secret?
 $43 = 5^y$, $20 = 5^x$

Compute $5^2, 5^3, \dots \pmod{53}$:

$$5^2 = 25, 5^3 \equiv 19, 5^4 \equiv 19 \cdot 5 \equiv -11$$

$$5^5 \equiv -11 \cdot 5 \equiv -2, 5^6 \equiv -2 \cdot 5 \equiv -10 \equiv 43$$

\Rightarrow A's secret is $y=6$

\Rightarrow shared secret: $5^{xy} = (5^x)^y = 20^6 \pmod{53} \equiv 9$

CDH
computational
Diffie-Hellman
problem

: given $g, g^x, g^y \pmod{p}$,
find $g^{xy} \pmod{p}$