

Outline for February 22, 2006

Reading: text, §9.3–9.4

1. Greetings and felicitations!
 - a. Puzzle of the day
2. Public-Key Cryptography
 - a. Basic idea: 2 keys, one private, one public
 - b. Cryptosystem must satisfy:
 - i. Given public key, computationally infeasible to get private key;
 - ii. Cipher withstands chosen plaintext attack;
 - iii. Encryption, decryption computationally feasible [note: commutativity not required]
 - c. Benefits: can give confidentiality or authentication or both
3. Use of public key cryptosystem
 - a. Normally used as key interchange system to exchange secret keys (cheap)
 - b. Then use secret key system (too expensive to use PKC for this)
4. RSA
 - a. Provides both authenticity and confidentiality
 - b. Go through algorithm:

Idea: $C = M^e \bmod n$, $M = C^d \bmod n$, with $ed \bmod \#(n) = 1$

Proof: $M^{\#(n)} \bmod n = 1$ [by Fermat's theorem as generalized by Euler]; follows immediately from $ed \bmod \#(n) = 1$

Public key is (e, n) ; private key is d . Choose $n = pq$; then $\#(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$.
 - c. Example: $p = 5$, $q = 7$; then $n = 35$, $\#(n) = (5-1)(7-1) = 24$. Pick $d = 11$. Then $ed \bmod \#(n) = 1$, so $e = 11$.
To encipher 2, $C = M^e \bmod n = 2^{11} \bmod 35 = 2048 \bmod 35 = 18$, and $M = C^d \bmod n = 18^{11} \bmod 35 = 2$.
 - d. Example: $p = 53$, $q = 61$; then $n = 3233$, $\#(n) = (53-1)(61-1) = 3120$. Pick $d = 791$. Then $e = 71$.
To encipher $M = \text{RENAISSANCE}$, use the mapping A = 00, B = 01, ..., Z = 25, b = 26. Then: $M = \text{RE NA IS SA NC Eb} = 1704\ 1300\ 0818\ 1800\ 1302\ 0426$, so $C = (1704)^{71} \bmod 3233 = 3106$; etc. = 3106 0100 0931 2691 1984 2927
5. Cryptographic Checksums
 - a. Function $y = h(x)$: easy to compute y given x ; computationally infeasible to compute x given y
 - b. Variant: given x and y , computationally infeasible to find a second $x\#$ such that $y = h(x\#)$
 - c. Keyed vs. keyless