

# Introduction to Modern Cryptography

## Recitation 2



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# Groups

*Definition.* A **group** is a non-empty set  $G$  with a binary operation  $\circ$  if:

- Closure: For all  $g, h \in G \implies g \circ h \in G$
- Existence of an Identity: There exists an identity  $e \in G$  such that for all  $g \in G \implies e \circ g = g = g \circ e$
- Existence of Inverses: For all  $g \in G$  there exists an inverse  $h \in G$  such that  $g \circ h = e = h \circ g$
- Associativity: For all  $g_1, g_2, g_3 \in G \implies (g_1 \circ g_2) \circ g_3 = g_1 \circ (g_2 \circ g_3)$
- $|G|$  denote the order  $G$ , if it has a **finite** number of elements
- A group  $G$  with operation  $\circ$  is abelian if the following holds:  
Commutativity: For all  $g, h \in G \implies g \circ h = h \circ g$

# Sub-Groups

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## The group: $\mathbb{Z}_N$

- Let  $N \geq 2$  be an integer
- The set  $\{0, \dots, N - 1\}$  with respect to addition modulo  $N$  is an abelian group of order  $N$ 
  - Identity: 0
  - Inverse of  $a$  is  $N - a \pmod N$



# Group Exponentiation

- The group operation applied  $m \geq 0$  times to a fixed group element  $g$

- Additive notation:

$$\square m \cdot g = mg = \underbrace{g + g + \dots + g}_{m \text{ times}}$$

NOT group  
operation

$m$  times

- Multiplicative notation:

$$\square g^m = \underbrace{g \cdot g \cdot \dots \cdot g}_{m \text{ times}}$$

$m$  times

# Group Exponentiation

*Theorem.* Let  $G$  be a finite group of order  $m = |G|$ . Then for any element

$$g \in G \implies g^m = 1$$



## The group: $\mathbb{Z}_N^*$

- $\mathbb{Z}_N = \{0, \dots, N - 1\}$  is a group under addition modulo  $N$
- What about **multiplication** modulo  $N$ ?
  - 1 will be the identity
  - 0 has no multiplicative inverse
  - Moreover, if  $N = 6$ , then 3 is not invertible modulo  $N$



*Theorem.* Let  $a, N$  be integers, with  $N > 1$ .  
Then  $a$  is invertible modulo  $N \iff \gcd(a, N) = 1$

## The group: $\mathbb{Z}_N^*$

- Let  $N \geq 2$  be an integer
- The set  $\mathbb{Z}_N^* = \{a \in \{1, \dots, N - 1\} \mid \gcd(a, N) = 1\}$  with respect to multiplication modulo  $N$  is an abelian group
  - Identity: 1
  - Inverse of  $a$  exists
  - Closure?



# Euler $\phi$ function

- Define the order of the group:  $\phi(N) = |\mathbb{Z}_N^*|$
- $\phi(N) = ?$ 
  - $N = p$  prime  $\rightarrow \phi(p) = p - 1$
  - $N = pq$  where  $p \neq q$  primes  $\rightarrow \phi(p) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$

*Theorem.* Let  $N = \prod_i p_i^{e_i}$ , where  $p_i$ 's are distinct primes and  $e_i \geq 1$ .  
Then  $\phi(N) = \prod_i p_i^{e_i-1} \cdot (p_i - 1)$

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*Corollary.* Let  $N > 1$  and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$ . Then

$$a^{\phi(N)} = 1 \pmod{N}$$

If  $N = p$  prime and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_N^* = \{1, \dots, p - 1\}$ . Then

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

# Cyclic Groups and Generators

- Let  $G$  be a finite group of order  $|G| = m$
- For arbitrary  $g \in G$  define  $\langle g \rangle = \{g^0, g^1, g^2, \dots\}$
- Why is  $\langle g \rangle$  a finite set?
- $\langle g \rangle$  is actually a subgroup of  $G$  for any  $g \in G$

*Definition.* Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $g \in G$ . The **order** of  $g$  is the smallest positive integer  $i$  such that  $g^i = 1$

# Cyclic Groups and Generators

- $\langle 1 \rangle = \{1\}$
- What if there exists  $g \in G$  of order  $m$  (where  $|G| = m$ )?
  - $\langle g \rangle = G$

*Definition.* Let  $G$  be a finite group of order  $|G| = m$ .

If there exist an element  $g \in G$  of order  $m$ , then

$G$  is called a **cyclic group** and  $g$  is a **generator** of  $G = \{g^0, g^1, \dots, g^{m-1}\}$ .

- If  $g$  is a generator of  $G$ , then for every element  $h \in G$  there exist  $x \in \{0, \dots, m - 1\}$  such that  $h = g^x$

# Cyclic Groups and Generators

*Theorem.* Let  $G$  be a finite group of order  $m$ , and  $g \in G$  has order  $i$ .  
Then  $i|m$

*Corollary.* If  $G$  is a group of prime order  $p$ , then  $G$  is cyclic and all elements (except 1) are generators

This is not  $\mathbb{Z}_p^* = \{1, \dots, p-1\}$ !  
 $|\mathbb{Z}_p^*| = p-1$  not prime!

# Cyclic Groups and Generators

*Theorem.* If  $p$  is prime, then  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  is cyclic



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