

## E.C.EI Gamal Digital Signature

A signature is appended to a document.

Properties:

① Signing  
(Alice)  
w/ public/  
private  
key pair

Input: Document  $m$

Output: Signed document, i.e. pair  $(m, \text{sig})$

(sig depends on  $m$ , public/private key pair)

② Verifying  
(Bob)

Input: Alice's public key  
Signed message

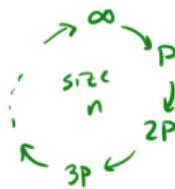
Output: YES/VALID or NO/INVALID.

③ Key Properties: It hard to produce pairs  $(m, \text{sig})$  that validate YES without access to Alice's private key.

"forging"

## E.C. Digital Signature

Setup:  $E/\mathbb{F}_P$ ,  $P \in E(\mathbb{F}_P)$   
 $P$  prime,  $n = \text{order}(P)$



Verification:  $V_1 = xA + sR$   
 $(\text{Bob})$   
 $V_2 = mP$

Message:  $0 < m < n$ .

Alice: Private Key:  $0 < a < n$ .  
 Public Key:  $A = aP$

Signing: Choose secret  $0 < k < n$ ,  $\gcd(k, n) = 1$ .  
 (Alice)  $R = kP$

$$S = k^{-1}(m - ax) \pmod{n}$$

where  $x = x(R)$   
 $(x\text{-coord})$

Signed Message:  $(m, \underbrace{R, S}_{\text{sig}})$

If  $V_1 = V_2$ : VALID  
 If  $V_1 \neq V_2$ : INVALID

Correctness:

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= xA + sR \\ &= x aP + s kP \\ &= (xa + sk)P \\ &= (xa + m - ax)P \\ &= mP \\ &= V_2 \end{aligned}$$

## Security:

- ① If you can do  $\text{DLP}^{\text{EC}}$  then get  $a$ , sign anything. ✓
- ② Don't re-use  $k$  (Exercise).
- ③ Can you alter  $m$  and alter sig to remain valid?

$$V_1 = V_2 \quad (R, s)$$

Keep  $R$ ,  
changes

$$xA + sR = mP$$

$$sR = mP - xA \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{public} \\ \text{from } R \end{array}$$

keep  
changed  
known

EC DLP problem.

Choose  $R, s$   
together?

?? seems  
hard ??

Keep  $s$ ,  
change  $R$ :

$$sR = (mP - xA)$$

depr  $R$

even worse,  
similar

## Formal Security

$n = \text{order}(P) = \text{size of task}$

$A = \text{adversary}$

$m = \text{message}$

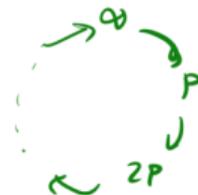
- Can:
- has Alice's public key
  - ask for Alice's signature  
on any document  
besides  $m$ .
  - compute polynomial time  
algorithm.

"success" means: can output  $(m, \text{sig})$   
that verifies as VALID with  
non-negligible probability  
 $\left( \text{prob}(\text{success}) < \frac{1}{\text{poly}(\log n)} \right)$

## Discrete Logarithm Problem on Elliptic Curves

Given  $P, Q = aP \in E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ , find  $a$ .

Note:  $a$  lives modulo  $\frac{\text{order}(P)}{\text{size of the problem}}$ .



- Attacks:
- Birthday / Collision ✓ expon.
  - Baby-Step-Giant-Step ✓ expon.
  - Index Calculus ✗ (no analog) sub-exp.

Because of  $\rightarrow$ , this is stronger than DLP mod  $p$  or in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^n}$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  in practice, smaller keys.

## Isogeny-Based Cryptography

↙ elliptic curves  
↓

What is an isogeny? A map  $\ell: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  given by rational functions such that  $\ell(P+Q) = \ell(P) + \ell(Q)$   
(looks like polynomial numerator/denominator) (implies  $\ell(\infty) = \infty$ )

Example.  $E_1: y^2 = x^3 + 1 \pmod{11}$  "homomorphism of groups"  
 $\downarrow \ell$   $(x, y) \in E_1$   
 $E_2: y^2 = x^3 + 6 \pmod{11}$   $\left( \frac{x^3+4}{x^2}, \frac{x^3y+3y}{x^3} \right) \in E_2$

$$\text{Eg. } (0,1) \mapsto \left( \frac{4}{0}, \frac{3}{0} \right) = \infty \in E_2$$

$$(1,1) \mapsto \left( \frac{5}{1}, \frac{4}{1} \right) = (5,4) \in E_2$$

on  $E_1$

The degree of an isogeny is the # of pts in the kernel

For this ex.,  $\{\infty, (0,1), (0,10)\} \Rightarrow \deg(\ell) = 3$ . "3-isogeny"

kernel =  $\{P \in E_1 : \ell(P) = \infty\}$

