

## RSA Algorithm

- Proposed by Rivest, Shamir, and Adleman in 1977.
- Best known & widely used public-key scheme
- Based on exponentiation in a finite (Galois) field over integers modulo a prime.
- Security due to the cost of factoring large numbers.
- Public-key algorithms rely on two keys where:
- it is computationally infeasible to find decryption key knowing only the algorithm & encryption key
- it is computationally easy to en/decrypt messages when the relevant (en/decrypt) key is known
- either of the two related keys can be used for encryption, with the other used for decryption (for some algorithms)

The RSA scheme is a cipher in which the plaintext and ciphertext are integers between 0 and  $n - 1$  for some  $n$ . A typical size for  $n$  is 1024 bits, or 309 decimal digits. That is,  $n$  is less than 21024.

For this example, the keys were generated as follows.

1. Select two prime numbers,  $p = 17$  and  $q = 11$ .
2. Calculate  $n = pq = 17 * 11 = 187$ .
3. Calculate  $f(n) = (p - 1)(q - 1) = 16 * 10 = 160$ .
4. Select  $e$  such that  $e$  is relatively prime to  $f(n) = 160$  and less than  $f(n)$ ; we choose  $e = 7$ .
5. Determine  $d$  such that  $de \equiv 1 \pmod{160}$  and  $d < 160$ . The correct value is

$d = 23$ , because  $23 * 7 = 161 = (1 * 160) + 1$ ;  $d$  can be calculated using the extended Euclid's algorithm.

The resulting keys are public key  $PU = \{7, 187\}$  and private key  $PR = \{23, 187\}$ .

The example shows the use of these keys for a plaintext input of  $M = 88$ . For encryption, we need to calculate  $C = 88^7 \pmod{187}$ . Exploiting the properties of modular arithmetic, we can do this as follows.

$$88^7 \pmod{187} = [(88^4 \pmod{187}) * (88^2 \pmod{187}) * (88 \pmod{187})] \pmod{187}$$

$$881 \bmod 187 = 88$$

$$882 \bmod 187 = 7744 \bmod 187 = 77$$

$$884 \bmod 187 = 59,969,536 \bmod 187 = 132$$

$$887 \bmod 187 = (88 * 77 * 132) \bmod 187 = 894,432 \bmod 187 = 11$$

For decryption, we calculate  $M = 1123 \bmod 187$ :

$$1123 \bmod 187 = [(111 \bmod 187) * (112 \bmod 187) * (114 \bmod 187) * (118 \bmod 187) * (118 \bmod 187)] \bmod 187$$

$$111 \bmod 187 = 11$$

$$112 \bmod 187 = 121$$

$$114 \bmod 187 = 14,641 \bmod 187 = 55$$

$$118 \bmod 187 = 214,358,881 \bmod 187 = 33$$

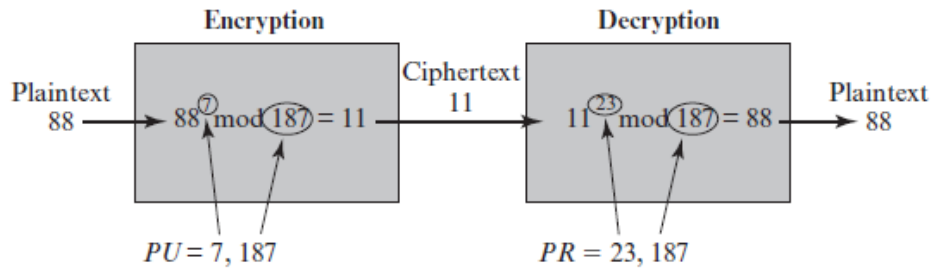
$$1123 \bmod 187 = (11 * 121 * 55 * 33 * 33) \bmod 187 \\ = 79,720,245 \bmod 187 = 88$$

Key Generation by Alice	
Select $p, q$	$p$ and $q$ both prime, $p \neq q$
Calculate $n = p \times q$	
Calculate $\phi(n) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$	
Select integer $e$	$\text{gcd}(\phi(n), e) = 1; 1 < e < \phi(n)$
Calculate $d$	$d \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(n)}$
Public key	$PU = \{e, n\}$
Private key	$PR = \{d, n\}$

Encryption by Bob with Alice's Public Key	
Plaintext:	$M < n$
Ciphertext:	$C = M^e \pmod n$

Decryption by Alice with Alice's Public Key	
Ciphertext:	$C$
Plaintext:	$M = C^d \pmod n$

### The RSA Algorithm



Example of RSA Algorithm

### RSA En/decryption

to encrypt a message  $M$  the sender:  
 obtains public key of recipient  $PU = \{e, n\}$   
 computes:  $C = M^e \pmod n$ , where  $0 \leq M < n$   
 to decrypt the ciphertext  $C$  the owner:  
 uses their private key  $PR = \{d, n\}$

computes:  $M = Cd \pmod n$

note that the message  $M$  must be smaller than the modulus  $n$  (block if needed)

## **RSA Key Setup**

each user generates a public/private key pair by:

selecting two large primes at random:  $p, q$

computing their system modulus  $n=p.q$

note  $\phi(n)=(p-1)(q-1)$

selecting at random the encryption key  $e$

where  $1 < e < \phi(n)$ ,  $\gcd(e, \phi(n)) = 1$

solve following equation to find decryption key  $d$

$e.d = 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$  and  $0 \leq d \leq n$

publish their public encryption key:  $PU = \{e, n\}$

keep secret private decryption key:  $PR = \{d, n\}$

**Because of Euler's Theorem:**

$a^{\phi(n)} \pmod n = 1$  where  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$

in RSA have:

$n = p.q$

$\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$

carefully chose  $e$  &  $d$  to be inverses mod  $\phi(n)$

hence  $e.d = 1 + k.\phi(n)$  for some  $k$

hence :

$$\begin{aligned} Cd &= Me.d = M1 + k.\phi(n) = M1.(M\phi(n))^k \\ &= M1.(1)^k = M1 = M \pmod n \end{aligned}$$

## **Steps of the RSA Algorithm**

1) Each user generates a public/private key pair by:

- Selecting two large primes at random -  $p, q$ .
- Computing their system modulus  $N = p.q$ .
- $\phi(N) = (p-1)(q-1)$ .

- 2) Selecting at random the encryption key (e):
  - $1 < e < \phi(N)$ ,  $\gcd(e, \phi(N)) = 1$ .
- 3) Find decryption key (d):
  - $e \cdot d = 1 \pmod{\phi(N)}$  and  $0 \leq d \leq N$ .
- 4) Publish their public encryption key:  $KU = \{e, N\}$ .
- 5) keep secret private decryption key:  $KR = \{d, p, q\}$ .
- 6) To encrypt a message M the sender:
  - Obtains public key of recipient  $KU = \{e, N\}$
  - Computes:  $C = M^e \pmod{N}$ , where  $0 \leq M < N$
- 7) To decrypt the ciphertext C the owner:
  - Uses their private key  $KR = \{d, p, q\}$
  - Computes:  $M = C^d \pmod{N}$

## **RSA Examples:**

**C= cipher text**

**P= m =plain text**

**E= public key**

**N =product of two prime Multiplication**

**D= private key**

**$d = e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(n)}$**

**$e = d^{-1} \pmod{\phi(n)}$**

**$e \cdot d \pmod{\phi(n)} = 1$**

**$\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$**

**$c = m^e \pmod{n}$  for encryption**

**$m = c^d \pmod{n}$  for decryption**

**Ex1: Let  $p=11$ ,  $q=13$ ,  $e=11$ ,  $m=7$  find the private key  $d$**

**Sol:**

$$n=p*q$$

$$n=11*13$$

$$n=143$$

$$\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$$

$$\phi(n)=10*12$$

$$\phi(n)=120$$

$$e*d \bmod \phi(n)=1$$

$$11*d \bmod 120=1$$

$$11*11 \bmod 120=1$$

$$d=11$$

$$c=m^e \bmod n \quad \text{for encryption}$$

$$c= m^e \bmod 143$$

$$c= 7^{11} \bmod 143$$

$$c= 1977326743 \bmod 143$$

$$c=106$$

$$m=c^d \bmod n \quad \text{for decryption}$$

$$m= 106^{11} \bmod 143$$

$$m=7$$

**Ex2: Find keys d and p for the RSA Cryptos system were**

$$P=7, q=11$$

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$$P=7, q=11$$

$$n=p*q$$

$$n= 7*11$$

$$\phi(n) = (p-1) (q-1)$$

$$\phi(n) = 6*10$$

$$\phi(n) = 60$$

$$e*d \text{ mod } \phi(n) = 1$$

**Let**

$$e*d=x$$

$$X \text{ mod } \phi(n) = 1$$

$$X \text{ mod } 60 = 1$$

$$121 \text{ mod } 60 = 1$$

$$11 *11 \text{ mod } 60 = 1$$

$$X= 11 *11$$

**Where  $x=e*d$  Therefor**

$$e=11, d=11$$

**Homework**

Ex/  $p=3, q=11, e=7, m=2$  encrypt and decrypt using RSA Algorithm?

## Inverse

$$X = a^{p-2} \bmod p \quad \mathbf{P \text{ must be Prime}}$$

$$15^{-1} \bmod 17 = 8 \quad \mathbf{17 \text{ must be Prime}}$$

$$15^{17-2} \bmod 17$$

$$15^{15} \bmod 17$$

$$15^5 * 15^5 * 15^5 \bmod 17$$

$$15^5 = 759375 \bmod 17 = 2$$

$$2 * 2 * 2 = 8$$

## Sul2:

$$15^{-1} \bmod 17 = 8$$

$$17+17=34+1 / 15=2.3$$

$$34+17=51+1 / 15=3.4$$

$$51+17=68+1 / 15=4.6$$

$$68+17=85+1 / 15= 5.7$$

$$85+17=102+1 / 15=6.86$$

$$\mathbf{102+17=119+1 / 15= 8}$$