

Assignment 2: RSA and DH Algorithms

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Exercise 1: RSA Encryption

1.1: Explain the RSA Encryption Algorithm

1.2: Calculation of RSA Parameters

1. Key Generation

- Ahmed chooses two prime numbers: $p = 17$ and $q = 11$.
- Calculate n , $\phi(n)$:

$$\begin{aligned}n &= p \times q = 17 \times 11 = 187 \\ \phi(n) &= (p - 1) \times (q - 1) = (17 - 1) \times (11 - 1) \\ &= 16 \times 10 = 160\end{aligned}$$

- Choose $e = 13$ for Ahmed's public key.
- Calculate Ahmed's private key d :

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Here } e &= 13, \phi(n) = 160 \\ ed &\equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)} \\ \implies ed \pmod{\phi(n)} &= 1 \pmod{\phi(n)} \\ \implies ed \pmod{\phi(n)} &= 1 \\ \text{let } ed &= k \times \phi(n) + 1 \\ 13d &= k \times 160 + 1 \\ d &= \frac{k \times 160 + 1}{13}\end{aligned}$$

For $k = 1$:

$$d = \frac{1 \times 160 + 1}{13} = \frac{160 + 1}{13} = \frac{161}{13} = 12.38$$

For $k = 2$:

$$d = \frac{2 \times 160 + 1}{13} = \frac{320 + 1}{13} = \frac{321}{13} = 24.69$$

For $k = 3$:

$$d = \frac{3 \times 160 + 1}{13} = \frac{480 + 1}{13} = \frac{481}{13} = 37$$

$d = 37$

Ahmed's private key is $(37, 187)$

2. Encryption

Question: Fahd wants to send a plaintext message: "SECRET" to Ahmed. He converts the plaintext into numeric representation using a predetermined mapping (A=1, B=2, C=3 and so on). Then, he encrypts the numeric representation of the message using Ahmed's public key (e, n).

Answer: S = 19, E = 5, C = 3, R = 18, T = 20 n = 187, e = 13

$$C = M^e \mod n$$

$$C = M^{13} \mod 187$$

$$C_S = 19^{13} \mod 187 = 83$$

$$C_E = 5^{13} \mod 187 = 37$$

$$C_C = 3^{13} \mod 187 = 148$$

$$C_R = 18^{13} \mod 187 = 35$$

$$C_T = 20^{13} \mod 187 = 80$$

"SECRET" is encrypted as "83 37 148 35 37 80"

3. Decryption

Question: Ahmed receives another encrypted message from Fahd: "94 37 133 133 53"

Answer: Here d = 37, n = 187

$$M = C^d \mod n$$

$$M = C^{37} \mod 187$$

$$M_94 = 94^{37} \mod 187 = 8 = "H"$$

$$M_37 = 37^{37} \mod 187 = 5 = "E"$$

$$M_{133} = 133^{37} \mod 187 = 12 = "L"$$

$$M_{53} = 53^{37} \mod 187 = 15 = "O"$$

"94 37 133 133 53" is decrypted as "HELLO"