

The RSA Cryptosystem

→ In practice RSA is used for: Encryption of small pieces of data like keys and digital signatures → often used in symmetric ciphers like AES
 ↳ One-way f^n is the Integer Factorization Problem. Multiplying 2 large primes is easy → but factoring resulting product is hard

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\rightarrow RSA Decryption: Given private key $d = k_p$ and $y \in \mathbb{Z}_n$, $x = d_{k_p}(y) \equiv y^d \pmod{n}$

\rightarrow x, y, n are very long numbers (2048+ bits)

Decryption / Private Exponent

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\rightarrow Requirements for RSA:

1. Relatively prime \Rightarrow Computationally infeasible to find $d = k_p$ wif e & n
2. $e \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ → cannot escape now that $e =$ bit length of n bits
3. Should be easy for $x^e \pmod{n}$ and $y^d \pmod{n}$
4. For many e , many public-private key pairs. Otherwise BFA possible

Ex: Alice wants to send msg to Bob: $x = 4 \rightarrow k_{pb}(23, 3) \rightarrow y = 4^3 \pmod{23} = 31 \pmod{23}$

$\phi(n) = 2 - 1 = 20 \rightarrow \gcd(e, \phi(n)) = 1$

choose $d = 3$ → $d \cdot e = 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$

$d = 2^{-1} \equiv 7 \pmod{20}$

$K_{pr} = 7 \rightarrow x \equiv 31 \pmod{23}$

$x \equiv 4 \pmod{n}$

\rightarrow Single Equation: $d_{k_p}(y) = d_{k_p}(e_{k_p}(x)) \equiv (x^e)^d \equiv x^{ed} \equiv x^{\phi(n)} \pmod{n}$

\rightarrow Correctness Proof: WTS that decryption is inverse of encryption. $d_{k_p}(e_{k_p}(x)) = x \rightarrow$ Begin wif construction rule for e and d :

\rightarrow $d \cdot e \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$

→ Steps in computing public & private keys:

RSA Key Generation

Input: public key $k_p = (n, e)$ and private key $k_p = d$

Output: two large primes p and q

Choose two large primes p and q

Compute $n = p \cdot q = (p-1)(q-1)$

Select the public exponent $e \in \{1, \dots, \phi(n)-1\}$ such that

$$gdc(e, \phi(n)) = 1$$

5. Compute the private key d such that

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

→ requires d to exist mod $\phi(n)$

→ there is always a solution!

choose $d < e < \phi(n)$ s.t. $gdc(e, \phi(n)) = 1$

choose $e = 65537$ wif EEA wif n and e :

→ need more efficient computation methods

↓ inverse of e

↓ mod inverse of e

... $d \cdot e \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$

choose $e, d \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ and repeat

\rightarrow Public Key Alg based on arithmetic wif long numbers

→ Provides systematic way to find sequence of SQ and multiplications of $x \rightarrow x^H$

→ Inversion of SQM: $x \rightarrow x^{-1} \rightarrow x^{-2} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow x^{-H}$. For every exponent bit, results required. Multiplication of result by following SQ.

= Currently scanned bit is 1

↳ After every step, modular reduction performed.

Square-and-Multiply Algorithm for Modular Exponentiation

Input

base element x

exponent $e = \sum_i h_i 2^i$, with $h_i \in 0, 1$ and $h_0 = 1$

modulus n

Output: $r = x^e \pmod{n}$

Algorithm:

1. FOR $i = T$ DOWNTO 0

1.1. IF $e \neq 0$ mod n

1.2. $r = r \cdot x \pmod{n}$

2. RETURN (r)

→ Sol F: Miller-Rabin Test

→ Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding:

Given a message m and the public key $k_p = (n, e)$, the encryption function is:

$y = e_{k_p}(m) = (x|pad)^e \pmod{n}$

where:

$x = (m|00\dots)|rand$ (rand)

$pad = rand \oplus H_1(rand)$

H_1 is a hash function

$|m| + z \leq n$

$|m| + z + r \leq n$

$|r| = |m| + z + r \leq n$

\rightarrow 2 strings added to message m before encryption

↳ now consisting of n bits → RSA from Deterministic

↳ All-zero strings consisting of $n-2n$ bits → Probabilistic

Encryption Scheme

$|r| = |m| + z + r \rightarrow \text{Im}(\mathbb{Z}_n)$

→ 2nd round Fiestel Network

First round encrypts m and $0 \equiv 0$

Second round output of E1: $(m|00\dots) \oplus H_1(rand)$

→ to encrypt rand itself

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