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## **Assignment No B4**

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TITLE	Implementation of RSA
PROBLEM STATEMENT/ DEFINITION	Implementation of RSA
OBJECTIVE	To understand how RSA algorithm works
OUTCOME	Understaning and implementation of asymmetric encryption using RSA.
S/W PACKAGES AND HARDWARE APPARATUS USED	Core 2 DUO/i3/i5/i7 64-bit processor OS-LINUX 64 bit OS  Editor-gedit/Eclipse S/W- C++/JAVA//Python

### **Concepts Related Theory:**

RSA algorithm involves three steps

- Key Generation
- Encryption
- Decryption

#### **1) Key Generation**

#### **Key Generation Algorithm**

The key generation algorithm works as follows:

- 1) Generate two large random primes,  $p$  and  $q$ , of approximately equal size such that their product  $n=pq$  is of the required bit length, e.g. 1024 bits.
- 2) Compute  $n=pq$  and  $\phi=(p-1)(q-1)$
- 3) Choose an integer  $e$ ,  $1 < e < \phi$ , such that  $\gcd(e, \phi)=1$
- 4) Compute the secret exponent  $d$ ,  $1 < d < \phi$ , such that  $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi}$
- 5) The public key is  $(n, e)$  and the private key  $(n, d)$ . Keep all the values  $d$ ,  $p$ ,  $q$  and  $\phi$  secret.

Note:

- $n$  is known as the modulus.
- $e$  is known as the public exponent or encryption exponent or just the exponent.
- $d$  is known as the secret exponent or decryption exponent.

## A practical key generation algorithm

A practical algorithm to generate an RSA key pair is given below. Typical bit lengths are  $k=1024, 2048, 3072, 4096, \dots$ , with increasing computational expense for larger values. You will not go far wrong if you choose  $e$  as 65537 ( $=0x10001$ ) in step (1).

Algorithm: Generate an RSA key pair. INPUT:

Required modulus bit length,

$k$ .

OUTPUT: An RSA key pair  $((N, e), d)$  where  $N$  is the modulus, the product of two primes  $(N=pq)$  not exceeding  $k$  bits in length;  $e$  is the public exponent, a number less than and coprime to  $(p-1)(q-1)$ ; and  $d$  is the private exponent such that  $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$ .

- 1) Select a value of  $e$  from  $3, 5, 17, 257, 65537$
- 2) repeat

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p ← genprime(k/2)
until (p mod
e), 1) repeat q
← genprime(k -
k/2) until (q
mod e), 1)
N ← pq
L ← (p-1)(q-1)
d ← modinv(e, L)
return (N,e,d)

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The function `genprime(b)` returns a prime of exactly  $b$  bits, with the  $b$ th bit set to 1. Note that the operation  $k/2$  is *integer* division giving the integer quotient with no fraction.

If you've chosen  $e=65537$  then the chances are that the first prime returned in steps (3) and (6) will pass the tests in steps (4) and (7), so each repeat-until loop will most likely just take one iteration. The final value of  $N$  may have a bit length slightly short of the target  $k$ . This actually does not matter too much (providing the message  $m$  is always  $< N$ ), but some schemes require a modulus of exact length. If this is the case, then just repeat the entire algorithm until you get one. It should not take too many goes.

## 2) Encryption:

Sender A does the following:-

- 1) (. Obtains the recipient B's public key  $(n,e)$
- 1) Represents the plaintext message as a positive integer  $M$  with  $1 < M < n$
- 2) Computes the ciphertext  $C = M^e \bmod n$  3) Sends the ciphertext  $C$  to B.

## 3) Decryption

Recipient B does the following:-

- 1) Uses his private key  $(n,d)$  to compute  $m = C^d \bmod n$
- 2) Extracts the plaintext from the message representative  $m$

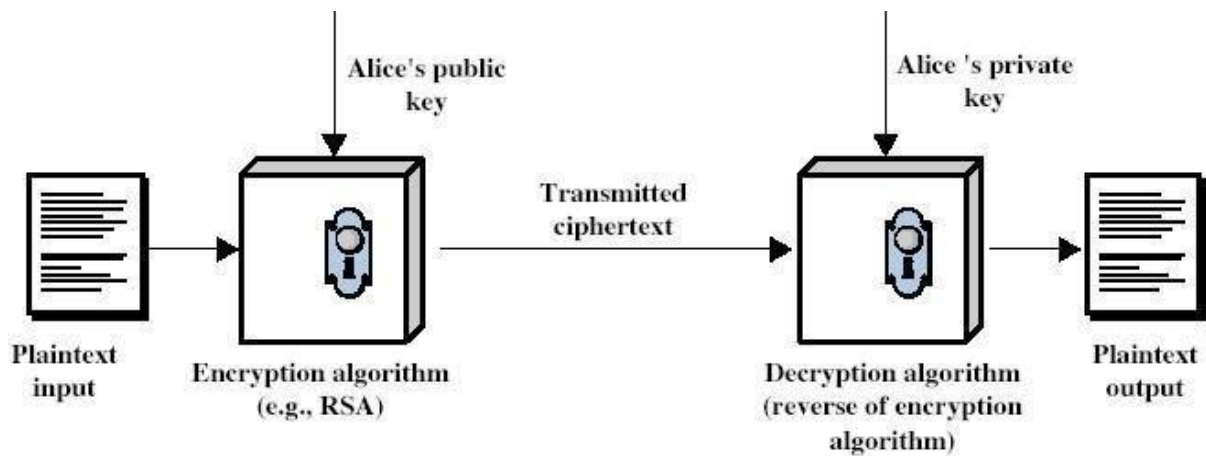


Figure: RSA encryption and decryption

### RSA for Digital signing

Sender A does the following:-

- 1) Creates a message digest of the information to be sent.
- 2) Represents this digest as an integer  $m$  between 1 and  $n-1$
- 3) Uses her *private* key  $(n,d)$  to compute the signature  $s = m^d \bmod n$
- 4) Sends this signature  $s$  to the recipient, B.

### Signature verification

Recipient B does the following (*older method*):-

- 1) Uses sender A's public key  $(n,e)$  to compute integer  $v = s^e \bmod n$
- 2) Extracts the message digest  $H$  from this integer.
- 3) Independently computes the message digest  $H$  of the information that has been signed.
- 4) If both message digests are identical, i.e.  $H = H$ , the signature is valid.

*More secure method:-*

- 1) Uses sender A's public key  $(n,e)$  to compute integer  $v=s^e \bmod n$
- 2) Independently computes the message digest  $H$  of the information that has been signed.
- 3) Computes the expected representative integer  $v$  by encoding the expected message digest

$H$

- 1) If  $v=v$ , the signature is valid.

### **CONCLUSION:**

Concepts of the RSA algorithm have been studied and implemented successfully.