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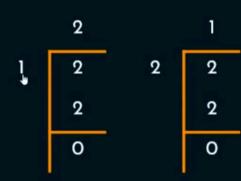






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Divisors of 33: 1, 3, 11 and 33



### Facts about primes

- ★ Only even prime: 2
- ★ Smallest prime number : 2
- ★ Is 1 a prime number? No.
- $\star$  Except for 2 and 5, all prime numbers end in the digit 1, 3, 7 or 9.



# Why prime numbers in cryptography?

- \* Many encryption algorithms are based on prime numbers.
- ★ Very fast to multiply two large prime numbers.
- \* Extremely computer-intensive to do the reverse.
- ★ Factoring very large prime numbers is very hard i.e. take computers a long time.



# Random Number Generation

# Pseudorandom Number Generator **Key Stream** Key **Key Stream** Generator 00011010

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- ★ Stream cipher.
- ★ Key stream generator.
- ★ Truly random sequence.

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Alice

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Bob



★ Plaintext : X<sub>i</sub>

★ Key Stream: Ki

★ Ciphertext : Yi

Encryption  $(Y_i) : X_i \oplus K_i$ 

Decryption  $(X_i) : Y_i \oplus K_i$ 

K<sub>i</sub> is a truly randon bit.

This stream cipher is referred to as One Time Pad (Perfect Secrecy).

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- ★ Truly random sequence.
- $\star$  P(0) = P(1).
- ★ Shannon notion of perfect secrecy.
- ★ Generating truly random sequence is impractical.

- ★ Pseudorandom sequence.
- ★ A good stream cipher close to truly random sequence.
- **★** Randomness.
- ★ How to measure the randomness?
- ★ Randomness is inevitable.