

Cryptologie asymétrique 1/2

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The solution: Public-Key Cryptography

- first proposed by Diffie and Hellman:

W.Diffie and M.E.Hellman,

New directions in cryptography

IEEE Trans. Inform. Theory, IT-22, 6, 1976, pp. 644-654.

- similar idea by Merkle:
 - **1974**: a project proposal for a Computer Security course at UC Berkeley
(it was rejected)
 - **1975**: submitted to the CACM journal (it was rejected)
(see <http://www.merkle.com/1974/>)
- **2015 Turing Award**
- It 1997 the GCHQ revealed that they new it already in 1970
(James Ellis).

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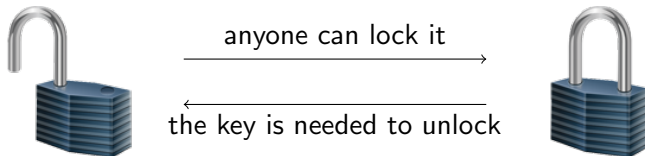
- Message + **Bob's Public Key** = Ciphertext
 - Ciphertext + **Bob's Private Key** = Message
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- **Digital signatures**
 - Message + **Alice's Private Key** = Signature
 - Message + Signature + **Alice's Public Key** = 0 or 1
- anyone with Alice's public key can verify that the message comes from Alice.
- only Alice can produce the signature, since only Alice has the private key.

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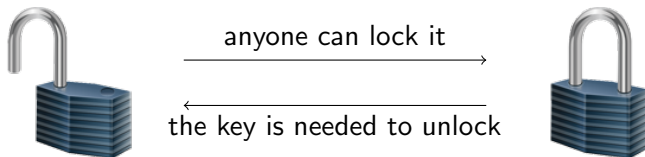
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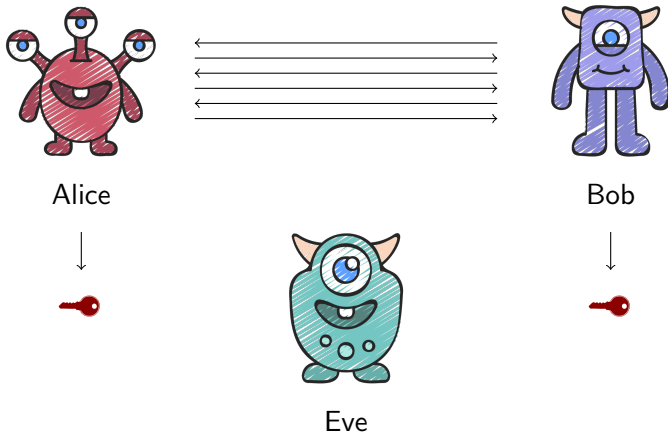
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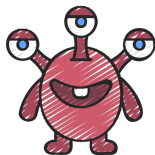
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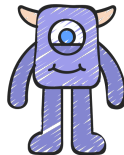
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Alice

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{y_a = g^a} \\ \xleftarrow{y_b = g^b} \end{array}$$



Bob

$$K_a = y_b^a$$



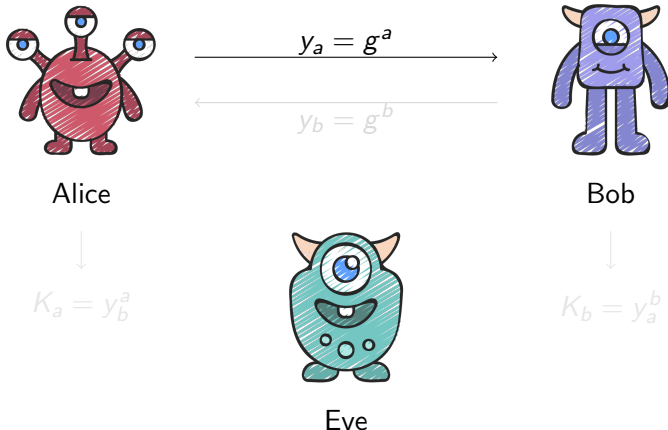
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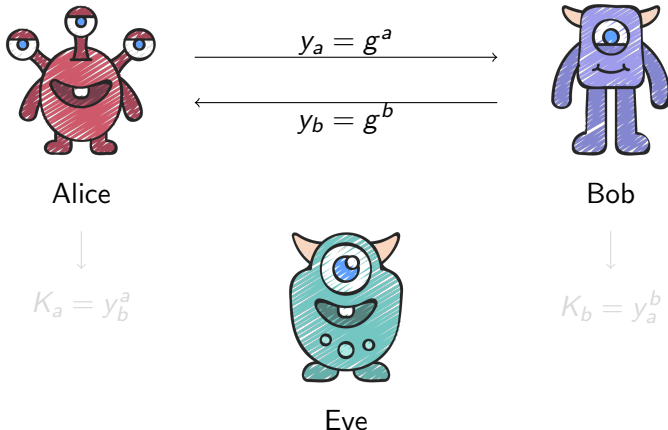
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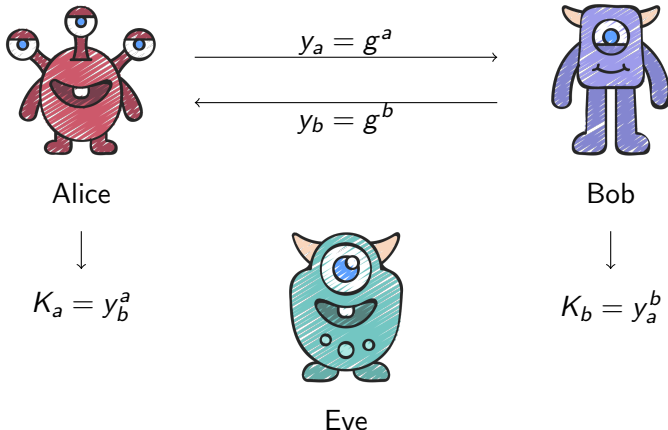
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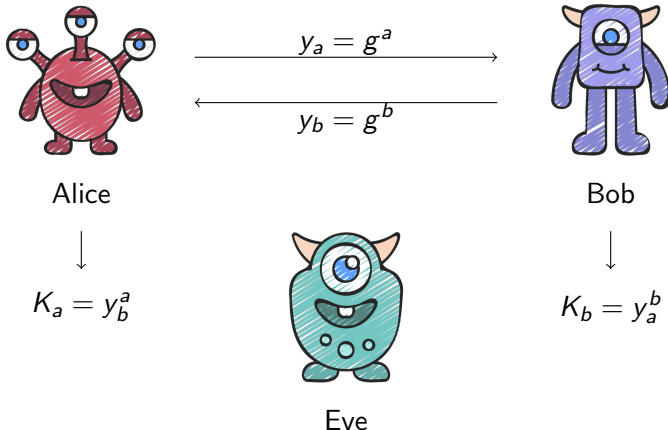
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Exponentiation by squaring – *square-and-multiply*

$$y^x = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ y \cdot y^{x-1} & \text{if } x \text{ odd} \\ (y^2)^{x/2} & \text{if } x \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

```
long pow(long y, long x)
{
    long result = 1;
    while ( x ) {
        if ( x & 1 ) {
            result *= y;
        }
        y *= y;
        x /= 2;
    }
    return result;
}
```

Efficiency of computation modulo n

Suppose that n is a k -bit number, and $0 \leq x, y \leq n$

- $(x \pm y) \bmod n \rightsquigarrow O(k)$
- $(xy) \bmod n \rightsquigarrow O(k^2)$ (ou $\tilde{O}(k)$)
- $(x)^c \bmod n \rightsquigarrow O((\log c)k^2)$ ou $\tilde{O}((\log c)k)$
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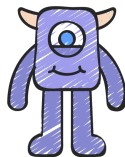
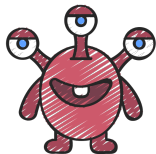
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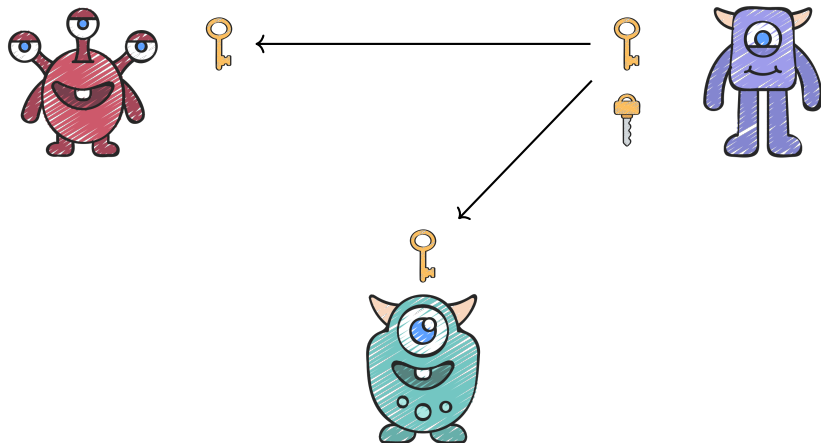
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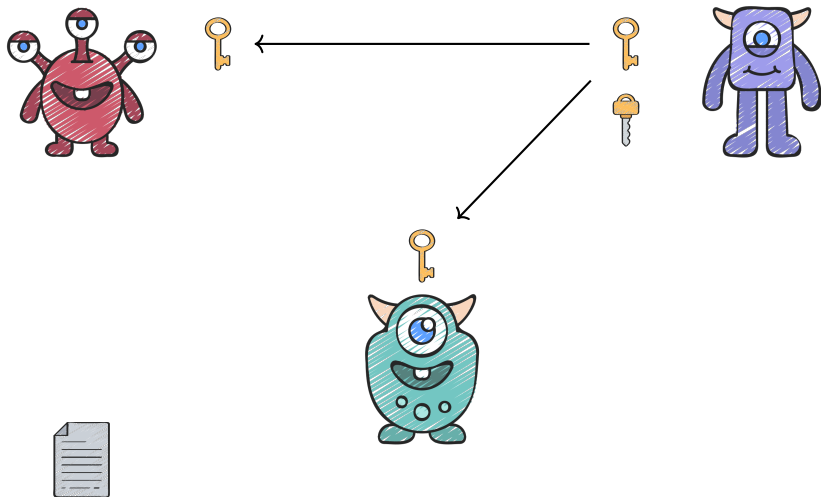
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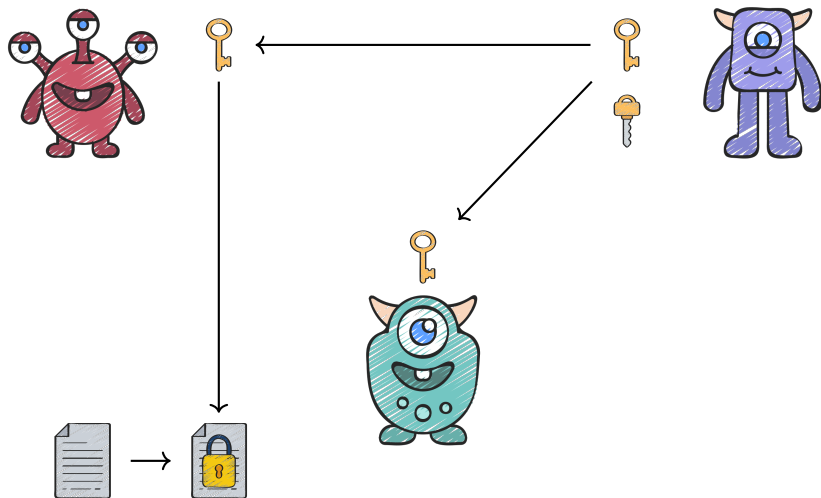
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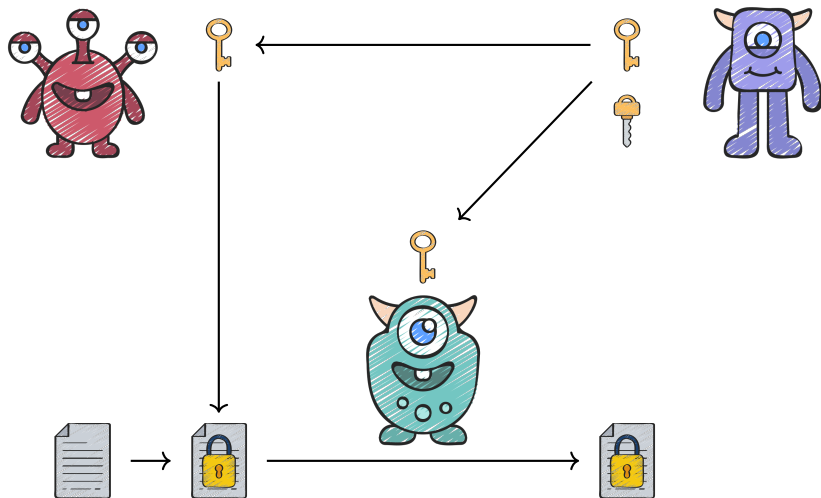
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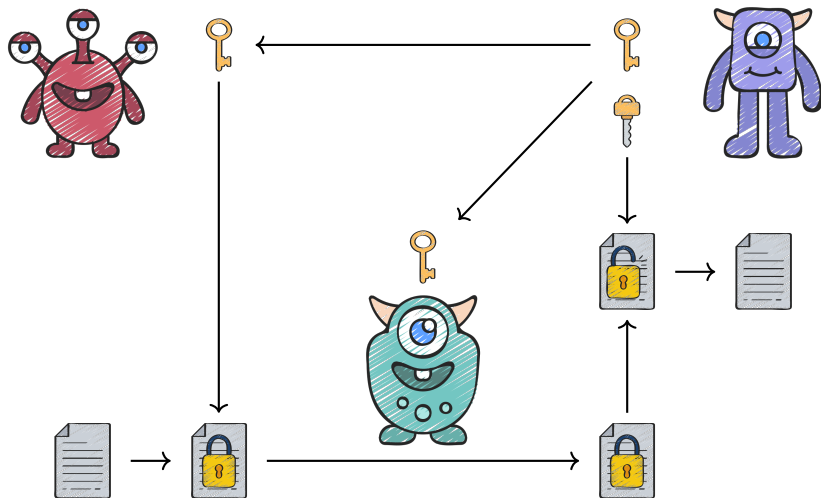
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Public-Key Encryption: Security Notions

Encryption is supposed to provide confidentiality of the data.

But what exactly does this mean?

| Security goal | But ... |
|---|--|
| Recovery of secret key is infeasible | True if data is sent in the clear |
| Obtaining plaintext from ciphertext is infeasible | Might be able to obtain half the plaintext |
| <i>etc</i> | <i>etc</i> |

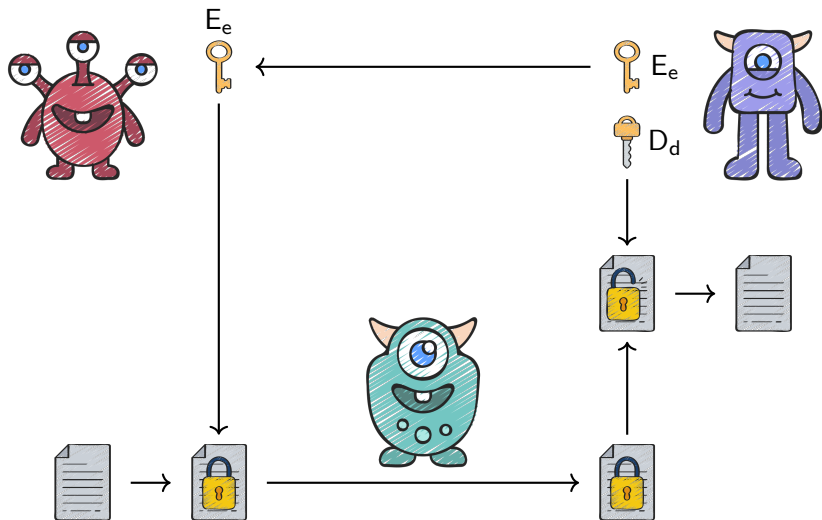
So what is a **secure** encryption scheme ?

Not an easy question to answer ...

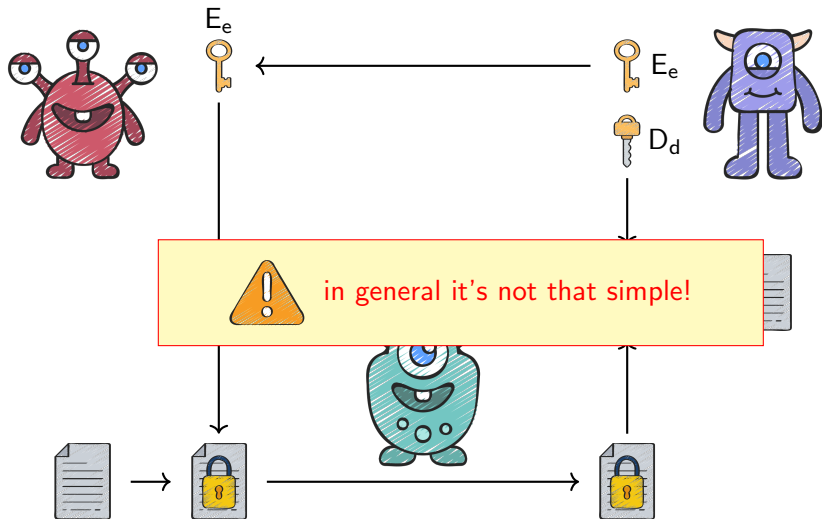
Trapdoor permutations

- A **trapdoor function** is a function that
 - is **easy** to compute in one direction,
 - yet believed to be **difficult** to compute in the opposite direction (finding its inverse) without special information, called the "trapdoor".
- A trapdoor permutation family $\{E : X \longrightarrow X\}_{(e,d)}$
 - easy to compute $y = E_e(x)$ for any $x \in X$,
 - (believed to be) difficult to compute $E_e^{-1}(y)$ for any $y \in X$,
 - except if one knows d : $E_e^{-1}(y) = D_d(y) = x$.
- Do such functions exist?

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 - Compute $c = m^e \bmod N$.
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RSA - Proof That Decryption Works

Recall that $e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{\varphi(N)}$, so there exists an integer k such that

$$e \cdot d = 1 + k \cdot \varphi(N).$$

- If $\gcd(m, p) = 1$:
 - By **Fermat's Little Theorem** we have $m^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$.
 - Taking $k(q-1)$ -th power and multiplying with m yields

$$m^{1+k(p-1)(q-1)} \equiv m \pmod{p}$$

- If $\gcd(m, p) = p$, then $m \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ and the previous equality is valid again.

Hence, in all cases $m^{e \cdot d} \equiv m \pmod{p}$ and by a similar argument we have $m^{e \cdot d} \equiv m \pmod{q}$.

Since p and q are distinct primes, the **CRT** leads to

$$c^d = (m^e)^d = m^{ed} = m^{k(p-1)(q-1)+1} \equiv m \pmod{N}.$$

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Prime Numbers

- prime numbers are needed for RSA



Theorem (Prime number theorem)

The number of primes less than x is about $x / \log x$.

- \rightsquigarrow primes are quite common ($\simeq 2^{1014}$ primes $\leq 2^{1024}$).
- testing primes **can be done very fast!**
- generating primes **can be done very fast!**
(on average, one need to test 708 numbers before one find a 1024-bit prime)

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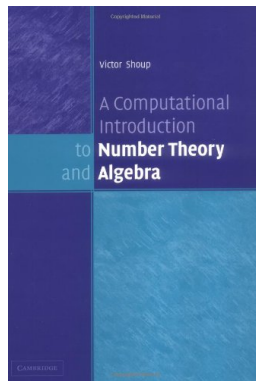
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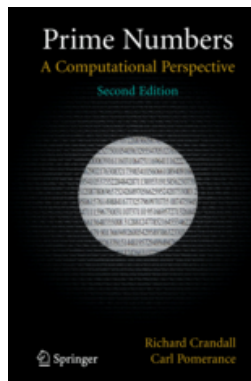
- **Carmichael numbers** are composite numbers n which fail the Fermat Test for every a not dividing n .
- There are **infinitely many** Carmichael Numbers
 - the first three are 561, 1105, 1729
- **Exercise:** Carmichael Numbers N have the following properties
 - 1 always odd
 - 2 are square free
 - 3 if p divides N then $p - 1$ divides $N - 1$.
 - 4 have at least three prime factors
- Need for other tests

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Security of RSA

- Security of RSA relies on difficulty of finding d given N and e .
- If we can **factor** N then we can find p and q
 - Hence we can calculate d .
- i.e. **If factoring is easy we can break RSA.**
 - Currently 768 bit numbers are the largest that have been (2010) factored
 - Hence best to choose (at least) **2048 bit** numbers
- **Is RSA as strong as factorization?** Will next show that knowing d we can factor N .
 - Still does not rule out possibility that breaking RSA is easier than factoring

Integer Factoring

- Exponential methods:
 - **trial division**
 - **Pollard's $p - 1$ method**
 - **Pollard's ρ method**
- Three most effective algorithms are:
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 - **elliptic curve factoring algorithm (ECM)**
 - **number field sieve (NFS)**
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Time complexity of Integer Factoring

- **quadratic sieve:**

$$O(\exp((1 + o(1))\sqrt{\ln N \ln \ln N}))$$

[For $N \simeq 2^{1024}$, “ $O(e^{68})$ ”]

- **elliptic curve factoring algorithm:**

$$O(\exp((1 + o(1))\sqrt{2 \ln p \ln \ln p})),$$

where p is N 's smallest prime factor

[For $N = pq$ and $p, q \simeq 2^{512}$, “ $O(e^{65})$ ”]

- **number field sieve:**

$$O(\exp((1.92 + o(1))(\ln N)^{1/3}(\ln \ln N)^{2/3}))$$

[For $N \simeq 2^{1024}$, “ $O(e^{60})$ ”]

- Multiple 512-bit moduli **have been factored**
- Extrapolating trends of factoring suggests that:
 - 1024-bit moduli will be factored by **2018** . . .

Knowledge of $\varphi(N)$

- We will show **knowledge of $\varphi(N)$** allows us to factor N as well.
- We have

$$\varphi(N) = (p-1)(q-1) = N - (p+q) + 1.$$

- Hence

$$S = p + q = N + 1 - \varphi(N)$$

$$P = pq = N$$

- p and q are the **roots** of $X^2 - SX + P = 0$.

Security of RSA

- Suppose you can find d for a given N and e .
- Then for some integer s

$$ed - 1 = s(p - 1)(q - 1).$$

- Hence for any $x \neq 0$

$$x^{ed-1} = 1 \pmod{N}.$$

- We want to put

$$y_1 = \sqrt{x^{ed-1}} = x^{(ed-1)/2}$$

and then use

$$y_1^2 - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

to recover a factor of N from $\gcd(y_1 - 1, N)$.

- This will only work when $y_1 \not\equiv \pm 1 \pmod{N}$.

Security of RSA

- Now suppose $y_1 = 1 \pmod N$, then we take a square root of y_1

$$y_2 = \sqrt{y_1} = x^{(ed-1)/4}$$

- We know $y_2^2 = y_1 = 1 \pmod N$. Hence we compute $\gcd(y_2 - 1, N)$ and see if this gives a factor of N .
- We repeat until
 - either we have factored N
 - or $(ed - 1)/2^s$ is no longer divisible by 2.
- We will factor N with probability $1/2$.

Shared Modulus

- Assume for efficiency that each user has
 - The **same modulus** N
 - Different public/private exponents (e_i, d_i)
- Suppose I am user number one, and I want to find user number two's d_2 .
 - User one computes p and q since they know d_1 .
 - User one computes $\varphi(N) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$
 - User one computes $d_2 = e_2^{-1} \bmod \varphi(N)$
- So **each user can then find every other users key.**

What about an eavesdropper ?

Shared Modulus

- **Now suppose the attacker is not one of the people who share a modulus**
- Suppose Alice sends the message m to two people with public keys
 - $(N, e_1), (N, e_2)$, i.e. $N_1 = N_2 = N$.
- Eve can see the messages c_1 and c_2 where
 - $c_1 = m^{e_1} \bmod N$
 - $c_2 = m^{e_2} \bmod N$

Shared Modulus

- Eve can now compute

- $t_1 = e_1^{-1} \bmod e_2$
- $t_2 = (t_1 e_1 - 1)/e_2$

- Eve can then **retrieve the message** from

$$\begin{aligned} c_1^{t_1} c_2^{t_2} &\equiv m^{e_1 t_1} m^{-e_2 t_2} \bmod N \\ &\equiv m^{1+e_2 t_2} m^{-e_2 t_2} \bmod N \\ &\equiv m^{1+e_2 t_2 - e_2 t_2} \bmod N \\ &\equiv m \bmod N \end{aligned}$$

Small Public Exponent

Hstad (1988)

Solving Simultaneous Modular Equations of Low Degree.

SIAM J. Comput. 17(2): 336-341

- Suppose we have three users
 - With public moduli N_1 , N_2 and N_3
 - All with public exponent $e = 3$
- Suppose Alice sends them the **same** message m
- Eve sees the messages
 - $c_1 = m^3 \bmod N_1$
 - $c_2 = m^3 \bmod N_2$
 - $c_3 = m^3 \bmod N_3$
- Now Eve, using the **CRT**, computes the solution to

$$X = c_i \bmod N_i$$

to obtain

$$X \bmod N_1 N_2 N_3$$

Small Public Exponent

- So the attacker has

$$X \pmod{N_1 N_2 N_3}.$$

- But since $m^3 < N_1 N_2 N_3$ we must have

$$X = m^3$$

over the integers. Hence

$$m = X^{1/3}.$$

- This attack is interesting since we find the message **without** factoring the modulus.
- This is evidence that breaking RSA is **easier than factoring**.

Small Private Exponent

Wiener (1990)

Cryptanalysis of short RSA secret exponents.

IEEE Transactions on Information Theory 36(3): 553-558

- To **reduce** the work load of the exponentiation, one may wish to use a **small value** of d rather than a random value
- Since modular exponentiation takes time linear in $\log(d)$, a small private key can improve performance
- If the card has limited computing power, a relatively small value of d would be handy.
- We present an attack, due to **Wiener**, that succeeds in computing the secret decryption exponent under certain conditions.

Small Private Exponent

- $N = pq$ with $q < p < 2q$, $d < (1/3) \cdot N^{0.25}$.
 \rightsquigarrow Given (N, e) with $ed \equiv 1 \pmod N$, attacker can efficiently recover d .
- The proof is using **continued fractions technique**
- There is an integer k such that $ed - k\varphi(N) = 1$.
- We have

$$\left| \frac{e}{\varphi(N)} - \frac{k}{d} \right| = \frac{1}{d\varphi(N)}.$$

- Since $N = pq > q^2$, we have $q < \sqrt{N}$ hence
 $N - \varphi(N) = p + q - 1 < 2q + q - 1 < 3\sqrt{N}$.
- Now we see that

$$\left| \frac{e}{N} - \frac{k}{d} \right| = \left| \frac{ed - kN}{dN} \right| = \left| \frac{1 + k(\varphi(N) - N)}{dN} \right| < \frac{3k\sqrt{N}}{dN} = \frac{3k}{\sqrt{N}}.$$

Small Private Exponent

- Since $k < d$, we have that $3k < 3d < N^{0.25}$, and hence

$$\left| \frac{e}{N} - \frac{k}{d} \right| < \frac{1}{dN^{0.25}}.$$

- Finally, since $3d < N^{0.25}$, we have that

$$\left| \frac{e}{N} - \frac{k}{d} \right| < \frac{1}{3d^2}.$$

- **Legendre theorem on continued fractions:** there are at most $\log N$ fractions k/d with $d < N$ approximately e/N so tightly, and they can be obtained by computing the $\log N$ convergents of the continued fraction expansion of e/N (i.e. **Euclidean algorithm**).