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RSA and Primality Testing

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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17

P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	Æ	Ø	Å
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	Æ	Ø	Å	A	B	C
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	0	1	2

$$E(m) = m + 3 \pmod{29}$$

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What does this say about how many keys should be possible?

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■ Caesar Cipher



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Bob — 2 keys - PK_B, SK_B

PK_B — Bob's public key

SK_B — Bob's private (secret) key

For Alice to send m to Bob,

Alice computes: $c = E(m, PK_B)$.

To decrypt c , Bob computes:

$$r = D(c, SK_B).$$

$$r = m$$

It must be “hard” to compute SK_B from PK_B .

Definition. Suppose $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a > 0$.
Suppose $\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $b = ac$. Then a *divides* b .
 $a \mid b$.
 a is a *factor* of b .
 b is a *multiple* of a .
 $e \nmid f$ means e does not divide f .

Theorem. $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

1. if $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$, then $a \mid (b + c)$
2. if $a \mid b$, then $a \mid bc \ \forall c \in \mathbb{Z}$
3. if $a \mid b$ and $b \mid c$, then $a \mid c$.

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Definition. $p \in \mathbb{Z}, p > 1$.

p is *prime* if 1 and p are the only positive integers which divide p .

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, ...

p is *composite* if it is not prime.

4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, ...

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Theorem. $a \in \mathbb{Z}, d \in \mathbb{N}$

\exists unique $q, r, 0 \leq r < d$ s.t. $a = dq + r$

d – divisor

a – dividend

q – quotient

r – remainder $= a \bmod d$

Definition. $\gcd(a, b)$ = greatest common divisor of a and b
= largest $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $d|a$ and $d|b$

If $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, then a and b are *relatively prime*.

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$$m \mid (a - b) \Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } a = b + km.$$

Theorem. $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$
Then $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$ and $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$.

Proof.(of first) $\exists k_1, k_2$ s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} a &= b + k_1m & c &= d + k_2m \\ a + c &= b + k_1m + d + k_2m \\ &= b + d + (k_1 + k_2)m \end{aligned}$$

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Examples.

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|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. $15 \equiv 22 \pmod{7}?$ | $15 = 22 \pmod{7}?$ |
| 2. $15 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}?$ | $15 = 1 \pmod{7}?$ |
| 3. $15 \equiv 37 \pmod{7}?$ | $15 = 37 \pmod{7}?$ |
| 4. $58 \equiv 22 \pmod{9}?$ | $58 = 22 \pmod{9}?$ |

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$N_A = p_A \cdot q_A$, where p_A, q_A prime.

$\gcd(e_A, (p_A - 1)(q_A - 1)) = 1$.

$e_A \cdot d_A \equiv 1 \pmod{(p_A - 1)(q_A - 1)}$.

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To encrypt: $c = E(m, PK_A) = m^{e_A} \pmod{N_A}$.

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Example: $p = 5, q = 11, e = 3, d = 27, m = 8$.

Then $N = 55$. $e \cdot d = 81$. So $e \cdot d = 1 \pmod{4 \cdot 10}$.

To encrypt m : $c = 8^3 \pmod{55} = 17$.

To decrypt c : $r = 17^{27} \pmod{55} = 8$.

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The primes p_A and q_A are kept secret with d_A .

Suppose Eve can factor N_A .

Then she can find p_A and q_A .

From them and e_A , she finds d_A .

Then she can decrypt just like Alice.

Factoring must be hard!

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Theorem. N composite $\Rightarrow N$ has a prime divisor $\leq \sqrt{N}$

Factor(n)

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for  $i = 2$  to  $\sqrt{n}$  do
    check if  $i$  divides  $n$ 
    if it does then output  $(i, n/i)$ 
endfor
output -1 if divisor not found
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Corollary There is an algorithm for factoring N (or testing primality) which does $O(\sqrt{N})$ tests of divisibility.

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Check all possible divisors between 2 and \sqrt{n} .
Not finished in your grandchildren's life time for n with 1024 bits.

Problem The length of the input is $n = \lceil \log_2(N + 1) \rceil$. So the running time is $O(2^{n/2})$ — exponential.

Open Problem Does there exist a polynomial time factoring algorithm?

Use primes which are at least 512 (or 1024) bits long.
So $2^{511} \leq p_A, q_A < 2^{512}$.
So $p_A \approx 10^{154}$.

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How do we implement RSA?

We need to find: p_A, q_A, N_A, e_A, d_A .

We need to encrypt and decrypt.

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Theorem. For all nonnegative integers, b, c, m ,
 $b \cdot c \pmod{m} = (b \pmod{m}) \cdot (c \pmod{m}) \pmod{m}$.

Example: $a \cdot a^2 \pmod{n} = (a \pmod{n})(a^2 \pmod{n}) \pmod{n}$.

$$\begin{aligned} 8^3 \pmod{55} &= 8 \cdot 8^2 \pmod{55} \\ &= 8 \cdot 64 \pmod{55} \\ &= 8 \cdot (9 + 55) \pmod{55} \\ &= 72 + (8 \cdot 55) \pmod{55} \\ &= 17 + 55 + (8 \cdot 55) \pmod{55} \\ &= 17 \end{aligned}$$

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This is too many!

$$e_A \cdot d_A \equiv 1 \pmod{(p_A - 1)(q_A - 1)}.$$

p_A and q_A have ≥ 512 bits each.

So at least one of e_A and d_A has ≥ 512 bits.

To either encrypt or decrypt would need $\geq 2^{511} \approx 10^{154}$ operations
(more than number of atoms in the universe).

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How many modular multiplications?

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$\lfloor \log_2(k) \rfloor$

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Try using $N = 35$, $e = 11$ to create keys for RSA.

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Did you get $c = 9$? And $r = 4$?

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Choose random e_A .

Check that $\gcd(e_A, (p_A - 1)(q_A - 1)) = 1$.

Find d_A such that $e_A \cdot d_A \equiv 1 \pmod{(p_A - 1)(q_A - 1)}$.

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Theorem. $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$. $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $sa + tb = \gcd(a, b)$.

Proof. Let d be the smallest positive integer in

$$D = \{xa + yb \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

$$d \in D \Rightarrow d = x'a + y'b \text{ for some } x', y' \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$\gcd(a, b) \mid a$ and $\gcd(a, b) \mid b$, so $\gcd(a, b) \mid x'a$, $\gcd(a, b) \mid y'b$, and $\gcd(a, b) \mid (x'a + y'b) = d$. We will show that $d \mid \gcd(a, b)$, so $d = \gcd(a, b)$. Note $a \in D$.

Suppose $a = dq + r$ with $0 \leq r < d$.

$$\begin{aligned} r &= a - dq \\ &= a - q(x'a + y'b) \\ &= (1 - qx')a - (qy')b \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow r \in D$$

$$r < d \Rightarrow r = 0 \Rightarrow d \mid a.$$

Similarly, one can show that $d \mid b$.

Therefore, $d \mid \gcd(a, b)$. □

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How do you find d , s and t ?

Let $d = \gcd(a, b)$. Write b as $b = aq + r$ with $0 \leq r < a$.

Then, $d|b \Rightarrow d|(aq + r)$.

Also, $d|a \Rightarrow d|(aq) \Rightarrow d|((aq + r) - aq) \Rightarrow d|r$.

Let $d' = \gcd(a, b - aq)$.

Then, $d'|a \Rightarrow d'|(aq)$

Also, $d'|(b - aq) \Rightarrow d'|((b - aq) + aq) \Rightarrow d'|b$.

Thus, $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a, b \pmod{a})$
 $= \gcd(b \pmod{a}, a)$. This shows how to reduce to a “simpler”
problem and gives us the **Extended Euclidean Algorithm**.

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{ Initialize}

$$d_0 \leftarrow b \quad s_0 \leftarrow 0 \quad t_0 \leftarrow 1$$

$$d_1 \leftarrow a \quad s_1 \leftarrow 1 \quad t_1 \leftarrow 0$$

$$n \leftarrow 1$$

{ Compute next d }

while $d_n > 0$ **do**

begin

$$n \leftarrow n + 1$$

{ Compute $d_n \leftarrow d_{n-2} \pmod{d_{n-1}}$ }

$$q_n \leftarrow \lfloor d_{n-2} / d_{n-1} \rfloor$$

$$d_n \leftarrow d_{n-2} - q_n d_{n-1}$$

$$s_n \leftarrow q_n s_{n-1} + s_{n-2}$$

$$t_n \leftarrow q_n t_{n-1} + t_{n-2}$$

end

$$s \leftarrow (-1)^n s_{n-1} \quad t \leftarrow (-1)^{n-1} t_{n-1}$$

$$\gcd(a, b) \leftarrow d_{n-1}$$

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Finding **multiplicative inverses** modulo m :

Given a and m , find x s.t. $a \cdot x \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$.

Should also find a k , s.t. $ax = 1 + km$.

So solve for an s in an equation $sa + tm = 1$.

This can be done if $\gcd(a, m) = 1$.

Just use the **Extended Euclidean Algorithm**.

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Calculate the following:

1. $\gcd(6, 9)$

2. s and t such that $s \cdot 6 + t \cdot 9 = \gcd(6, 9)$

3. $\gcd(15, 23)$

4. s and t such that $s \cdot 15 + t \cdot 23 = \gcd(15, 23)$

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We need to find: p_A, q_A — large primes.

Choose numbers at random and check if they are prime?

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1. How many random integers of length 154 are prime?

About $\frac{x}{\ln x}$ numbers $< x$ are prime, so about $\frac{10^{154}}{355}$

So we expect to test about 355 before finding a prime.

(This holds because the expected number of tries until a “success”, when the probability of “success” is p , is $1/p$.)

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Quite fast, using randomness.

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Lists:

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10^{154} — more than number of atoms in universe
 So we cannot even write out this list!

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CheckPrime(n)

```
for  $i = 2$  to  $n - 1$  do
    check if  $i$  divides  $n$ 
    if it does then output  $i$ 
endfor
output -1 if divisor not found
```

Check all possible divisors between 2 and n (or \sqrt{n}).
Our sun will die before we're done!

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\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{R} — sets

$+, \cdot$ — operations

$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{0, 1, \dots, n - 1\}$ — integers modulo n

$a + b \equiv a + b \pmod{n}$ — addition operation

$a \pmod{n}$ = remainder when a is divided by n

$$4 + 3 = k \cdot 5 + 2$$

$$4 + 3 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

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$$4 + 3 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

$a \cdot b \equiv a \cdot b \pmod{n}$ — multiplication operation

$$4 \cdot 3 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

Properties:

- associative
- commutative
- identity
- inverses (for addition)

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$$a \cdot b = 1 + kn \quad n = 15$$

Element	Inverse	Computation
$a = 0$	no inverse	
$a = 1$	1	$1 \cdot 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$
$a = 2$	8	$2 \cdot 8 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$
$a = 3$	no inverse	
$a = 4$	4	$4 \cdot 4 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$
$a = 5$	no inverse	
$a = 6$	no inverse	
$a = 7$	13	$7 \cdot 13 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$
$a = 8$	2	$8 \cdot 2 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$
$a = 11$	11	$11 \cdot 11 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$
$a = 13$	7	$13 \cdot 7 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$
$a = 14$	14	$14 \cdot 14 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$

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$$\mathbb{Z}_n^* = \{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq n-1, \gcd(x, n) = 1\}$$

gcd — greatest common divisor

Extended Euclidean Algorithm — find inverses

\mathbb{Z}_n^* is the **multiplicative group modulo n** .

The elements in \mathbb{Z}_n^* are **relatively prime** to n .

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Group: set with 1 operation
associative, identity, inverses

Examples:

- \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{R} with $+$, not with \cdot
- $\mathbb{R}^{\neq 0}$ with \cdot
- \mathbb{Z}_n with $+$
- \mathbb{Z}_n^* with \cdot

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Subgroup: $H \leq G$ if $H \subseteq G$ and H is a group.

Examples:

- Even integers with addition

- $G = \mathbb{Z}_7^*$, $H = \{1, 2, 4\}$

$|H|$ is the **order** of H .

Theorem. [La Grange] For a finite group G , if $H \leq G$, then $|H|$ divides $|G|$.

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In practice, use a randomized primality test.

Miller–Rabin primality test:

Starts with Fermat test:

$$2^{14} \pmod{15} \equiv 4 \neq 1.$$

So 15 is not prime.

Theorem. Suppose p is a prime. Then for all $1 \leq a \leq p - 1$,
 $a^{p-1} \pmod{p} = 1$.

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Fermat test:

Prime(n)

repeat r times

 Choose random $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$

if $a^{n-1} \pmod{n} \not\equiv 1$ **then** return(Composite)

end repeat

return(Probably Prime)

Carmichael Numbers Composite n . For all $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$,
 $a^{n-1} \pmod{n} \equiv 1$.

Example: $561 = 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 17$

If p is prime, $\sqrt{1} \pmod{p} = \{1, p-1\}$.

If p has > 1 distinct factors, 1 has at least 4 square roots.

Example: $\sqrt{1} \pmod{15} = \{1, 4, 11, 14\}$

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Taking square roots of 1 (mod 561):

$$50^{560} \pmod{561} \equiv 1$$

$$50^{280} \pmod{561} \equiv 1$$

$$50^{140} \pmod{561} \equiv 1$$

$$50^{70} \pmod{561} \equiv 1$$

$$50^{35} \pmod{561} \equiv 560$$

$$2^{560} \pmod{561} \equiv 1$$

$$2^{280} \pmod{561} \equiv 1$$

$$2^{140} \pmod{561} \equiv 67$$

2 is a **witness** that 561 is composite.

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Miller–Rabin(n, k)

Calculate odd m such that $n - 1 = 2^s \cdot m$

repeat k times

Choose random $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$

if $a^{n-1} \pmod{n} \not\equiv 1$ **then** return(Composite)

if $a^{(n-1)/2} \pmod{n} \equiv n - 1$ **then** break

if $a^{(n-1)/2} \pmod{n} \not\equiv 1$ **then** return(Composite)

if $a^{(n-1)/4} \pmod{n} \equiv n - 1$ **then** break

if $a^{(n-1)/4} \pmod{n} \not\equiv 1$ **then** return(Composite)

....

if $a^m \pmod{n} \equiv n - 1$ **then** break

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Suppose n is composite:

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Order of subgroup divides order of group,

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Probability answer is “Probably Prime” $\leq \frac{1}{2^k}$

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1. Miller–Rabin is a practical primality test
2. There is a less practical deterministic primality test
3. Randomized algorithms are useful in practice
4. Algebra is used in primality testing
5. Number theory is not useless

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Thm (The Chinese Remainder Theorem) Let m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k be pairwise relatively prime. For any integers x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k , there exists $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $x \equiv x_i \pmod{m_i}$ for $1 \leq i \leq k$, and this integer is uniquely determined modulo the product $m = m_1 m_2 \dots m_k$.

It is also efficiently computable.

CRT Algorithm

For $1 \leq i \leq k$, find u_i such that

$$u_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i}$$

$$u_i \equiv 0 \pmod{m_j} \text{ for } j \neq i$$

Compute $x \equiv \sum_{i=1}^k x_i u_i \pmod{m}$.

How do you find each u_i ?

$$u_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i} \quad \forall i$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \text{ integers } v_i \text{ s.t. } u_i + v_i m_i = 1.$$

$$u_i \equiv 0 \pmod{m_j} \quad \forall j \neq i$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \text{ integers } w_i \text{ s.t. } u_i = w_i(m/m_i).$$

$$\text{Thus, } w_i(m/m_i) + v_i m_i = 1.$$

Solve for the values v_i and w_i
using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm.

(Note that this is where we need that the m_i are pairwise relatively prime.)

After each w_i is found, the corresponding u_i can be calculated.

The existence of the algorithm proves part of the theorem. What about uniqueness?

Suppose x and y work. Look at $x - y$.

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Example: Let $m_1 = 3$, $m_2 = 5$, and $m_3 = 7$. Suppose

$$x_1 \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \quad x_2 \equiv 3 \pmod{5} \quad x_3 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

To calculate u_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} w_1(35) + v_1(3) &= 1 \\ w_1 &= -1; v_1 = 12 \\ u_1 &= (-1)35 \equiv 70 \pmod{105} \end{aligned}$$

To calculate u_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} w_2(21) + v_2(5) &= 1 \\ w_2 &= 1; v_2 = -4 \\ u_2 &= (1)21 \equiv 21 \pmod{105} \end{aligned}$$

To calculate u_3 :

$$\begin{aligned} w_3(15) + v_3(7) &= 1 \\ w_3 &= 1; v_3 = -2 \\ u_3 &= (1)15 \equiv 15 \pmod{105} \end{aligned}$$

So we can calculate $x \equiv 2 \cdot 70 + 3 \cdot 21 + 4 \cdot 15 \equiv 53 \pmod{105}$. 77 / 81

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Why does RSA work? CRT +

Fermat's Little Theorem: p is a prime, $p \nmid a$.
Then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ and $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$.

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Consider $x = D_{S_A}(E_{S_A}(m))$.

Note $\exists k$ s.t. $e_A d_A = 1 + k(p_A - 1)(q_A - 1)$.

$$x \equiv (m^{e_A} \pmod{N_A})^{d_A} \pmod{N_A} \equiv m^{e_A d_A} \equiv m^{1+k(p_A-1)(q_A-1)} \pmod{N_A}.$$

Consider $x \pmod{p_A}$.

$$x \equiv m^{1+k(p_A-1)(q_A-1)} \equiv m \cdot (m^{(p_A-1)})^{k(q_A-1)} \equiv m \cdot 1^{k(q_A-1)} \equiv m \pmod{p_A}.$$

Consider $x \pmod{q_A}$.

$$x \equiv m^{1+k(p_A-1)(q_A-1)} \equiv m \cdot (m^{(q_A-1)})^{k(p_A-1)} \equiv m \cdot 1^{k(p_A-1)} \equiv m \pmod{q_A}.$$

Apply the Chinese Remainder Theorem:

$$\gcd(p_A, q_A) = 1, \Rightarrow x \equiv m \pmod{N_A}.$$

$$\text{So } D_{S_A}(E_{S_A}(m)) = m.$$

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Suppose **Alice** wants to **sign** a document m such that:

- No one else could **forge** her signature
- It is easy for others to **verify** her signature

Note m has arbitrary length.

RSA is used on fixed length messages.

Alice uses a **cryptographically secure hash function** h , such that:

- For any message m' , $h(m')$ has a fixed length (512 bits?)
- It is “hard” for anyone to find 2 messages (m_1, m_2) such that $h(m_1) = h(m_2)$.

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Then **Alice** “decrypts” $h(m)$ with her secret RSA key (N_A, d_A)

$$s = (h(m))^{d_A} \pmod{N_A}$$

Bob verifies her signature using her public RSA key (N_A, e_A) and h :

$$c = s^{e_A} \pmod{N_A}$$

He accepts if and only if

$$h(m) = c$$

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This works because $s^{e_A} \pmod{N_A} =$

$$((h(m))^{d_A})^{e_A} \pmod{N_A} = ((h(m))^{e_A})^{d_A} \pmod{N_A} = h(m).$$