

# COMP170

# Discrete Mathematical Tools for Computer Science

# Intro to Crypto and Mod

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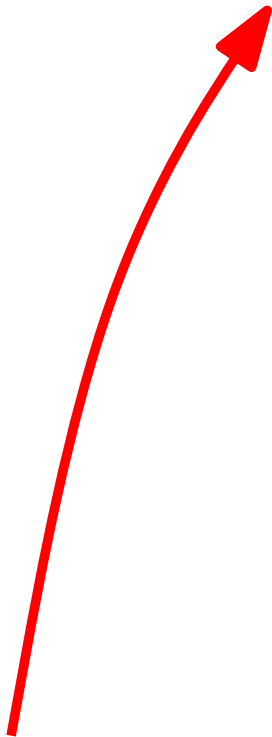
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**Proof:** Commutativity of  $+_n$  and  $\cdot_n$  follows immediately from commutativity of ordinary addition and multiplication. We prove the associative law for addition in the following equations; the other laws follow similarly.

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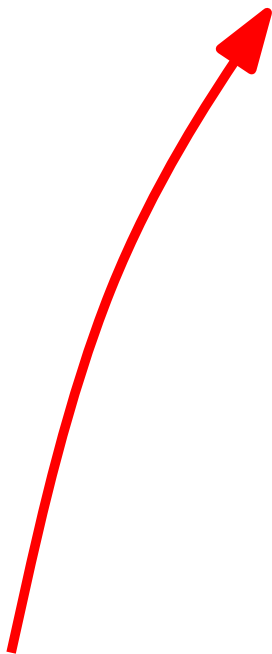


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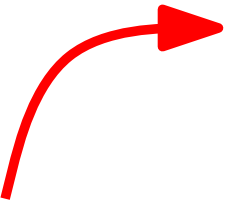
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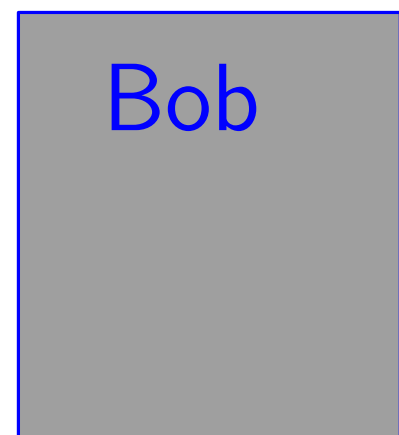
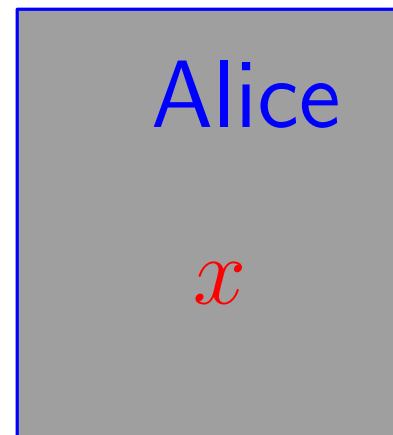
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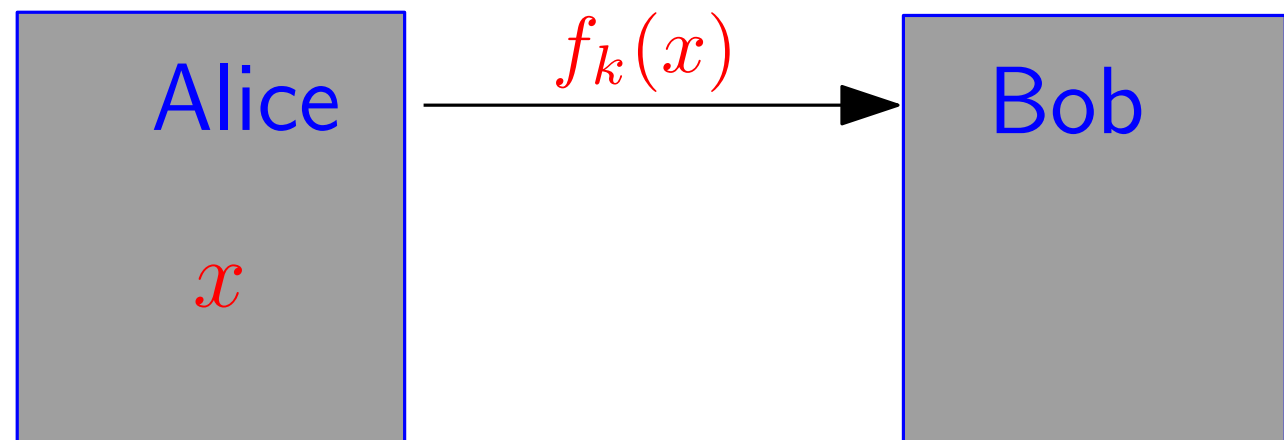
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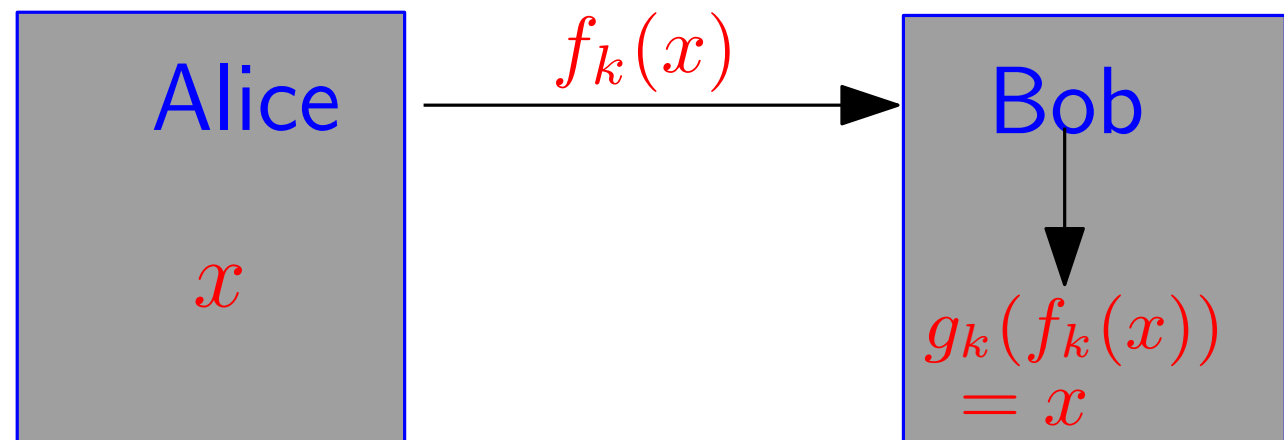
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5	0	5	10	3	8	1	6	11	4	9	2	7
6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
10	0	10	8	6	4	2	0	10	8	6	4	2
11	0	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

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You send the message

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**Problem:**

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	$\boxed{0}$	1	2	$\boxed{3}$	4	5	$\boxed{6}$	7	8	$\boxed{9}$	10	11
$Z_{12}$												
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2	0	2	4	6	8	10	0	2	4	6	8	10
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6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
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1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2	0	2	4	6	8	10	0	2	4	6	8	10
3	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9
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6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
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4	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8
5	0	5	10	3	8	1	6	11	4	9	2	7
6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
10	0	10	8	6	4	2	0	10	8	6	4	2
11	0	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

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	$x$											
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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2	0	2	4	6	8	10	0	2	4	6	8	10
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6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
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7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
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7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
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$a$ 3		0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9
4		0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8
5		0	5	10	3	8	1	6	11	4	9	2	7
6		0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7		0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8		0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9		0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
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6		0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7		0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8		0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9		0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
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6		0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7		0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8		0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9		0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
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4	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8
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6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
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	$x$											
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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2	0	2	4	6	8	10	0	2	4	6	8	10
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4	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8
$a$ 5	0	5	10	3	8	1	6	11	4	9	2	7
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8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
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2	0	2	4	6	8	10	0	2	4	6	8	10
3	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9
4	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8
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7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
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8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
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1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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3	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9
4	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8
$\overset{a}{5}$	0	5	10	3	8	1	6	$\boxed{11}$	4	9	2	7
6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
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$\Rightarrow$  Recipient **could** decrypt this message!

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In the next lecture we will see what this means and how to use it to define division in  $Z_n$ .

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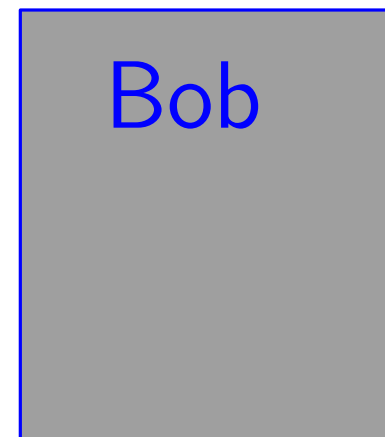
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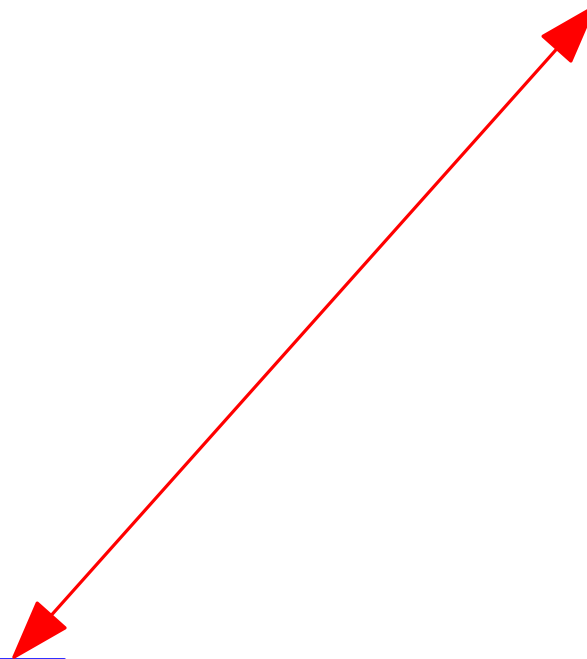
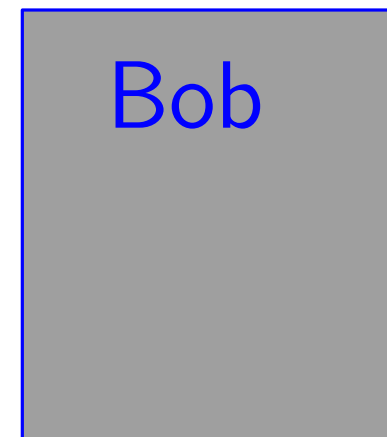




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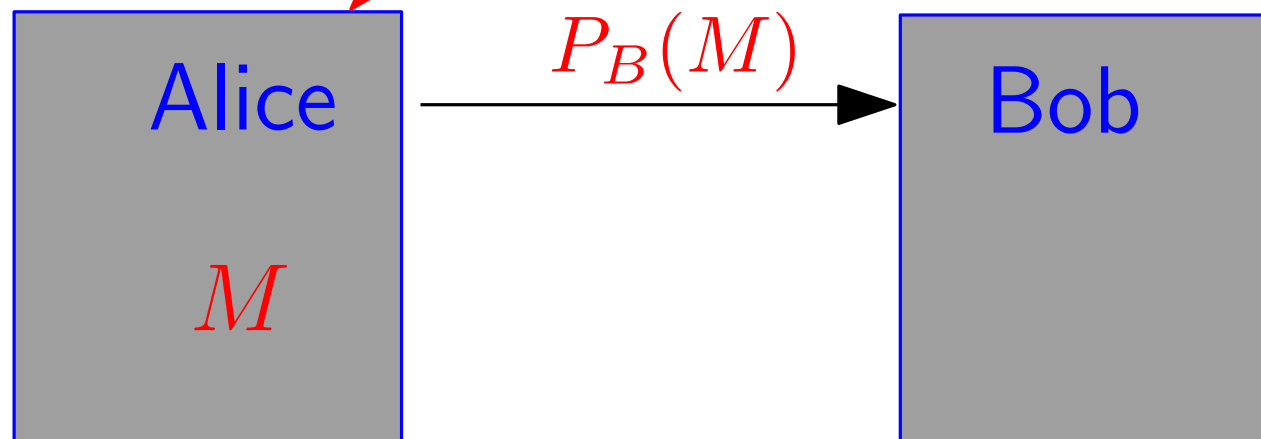
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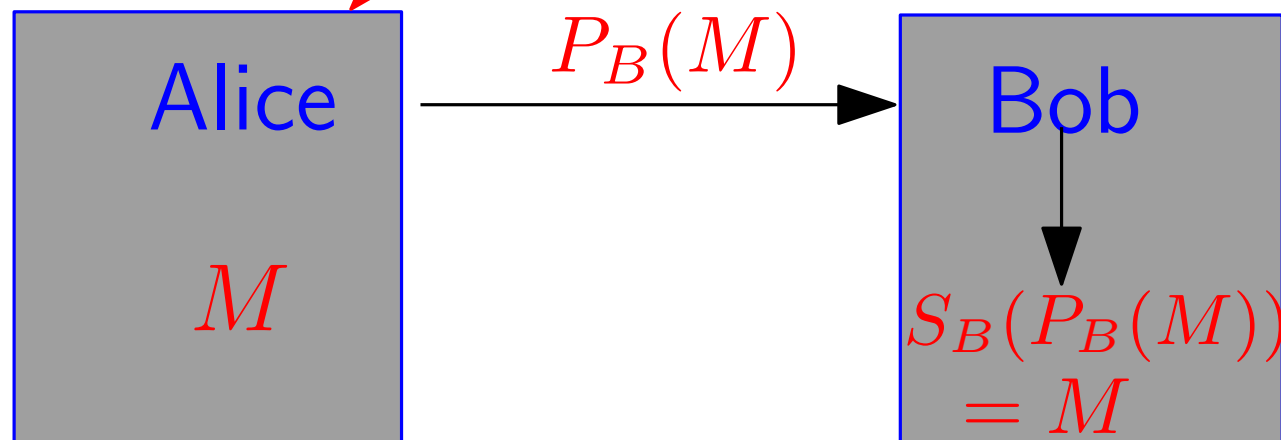
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- Problem: this is **Not** secure, because *anyone* who knows **public key**,  $P_B$ , can figure out **secret key**  $S_B$ .

**Challenge:** In order for a public-key cryptosystem to work we must be able to find **public/secret key pairs** such that

- Receiver Bob can easily calculate  $S_B(X)$
- No one else knowing **public key**,  $P_B$ , will easily be able to figure out our **secret key**,  $S_B$ .

Constructing such **public/secret key pairs** sounds almost impossible. Surprisingly, in the mid 1970s, Rivest, Shamir and Adelman, figured out how to do this using simple modular arithmetic.

The result is the **RSA Public Key Cryptosystem**, which is the basis for most e-commerce. We will learn its details in the lecture following the next one.