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Lecture 9b: RSA Review and Euler's Theorem

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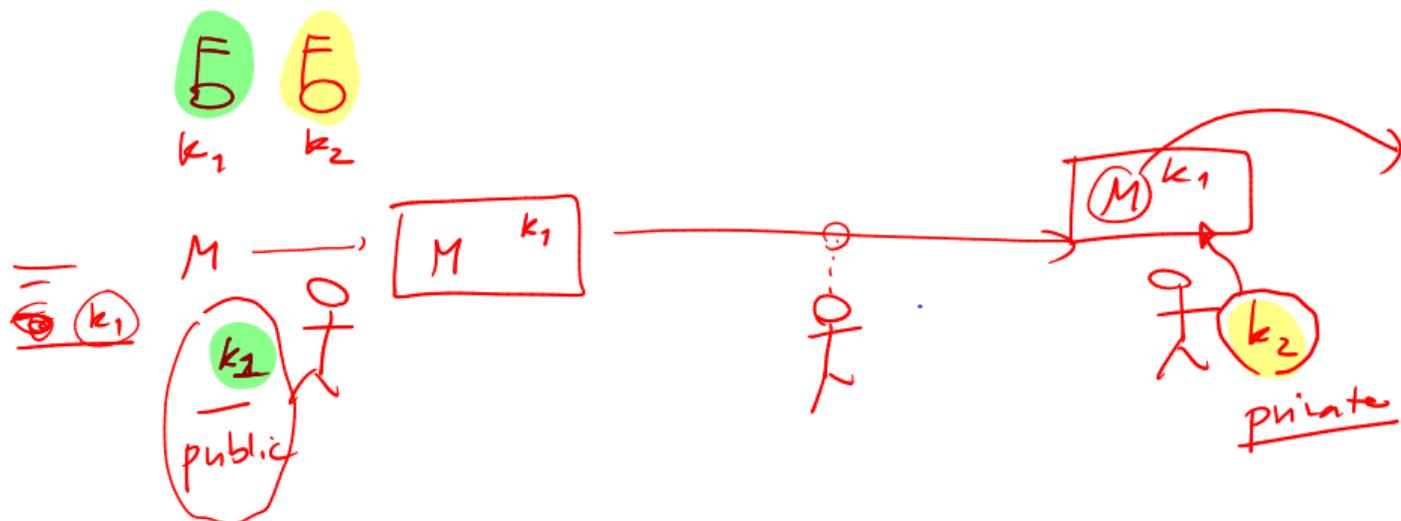
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$$(m^e \text{ mod } n)^d \text{ mod } n = \underbrace{\left( \underbrace{m^e}_{\substack{\text{encrypted} \\ \text{msg}}} \right)^d}_{\substack{\text{decn}}} \text{ mod } n$$

$\boxed{m^e} \quad \boxed{m^d} \quad \boxed{m}$

$\mod n \quad \mod n \quad \mod n$

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## Recap: Congruences

### Definition (congruences)

For an integer  $m > 0$ , if integers  $a$  and  $b$  are such that

$$a \bmod m = b \bmod m,$$

we write

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m}.$$

We also have that

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \iff m|(a - b)$$

## Recap: Multiplicative inverse modulo $m$

### Definition

The multiplicative inverse modulo  $m$  of  $a$ , denoted by  $a^{-1}$ , is an integer such that

$$a \cdot a^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{m}.$$

### Theorem 1

An integer  $a$  has a multiplicative inverse modulo  $m$  iff  $\gcd(a, m) = 1$ .

## Theorem 2 (Fermat's Little Theorem)

*If  $p$  is prime and  $a$  is an integer such that  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ ,*

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}.$$

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Assume  
 $\gcd(m, pq) = 1$

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