

RSA example

1. Select primes: $p=17$ & $q=11$
2. Compute $n = pq = 17 \times 11 = 187$
3. Compute $\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1) = 16 \times 10 = 160$
4. Select e : $\gcd(e, 160) = 1$; choose $e=7$
5. Determine d : $de=1 \pmod{160}$ and $d < 160$ Value is $d=23$ since $23 \times 7 = 161 = 10 \times 160 + 1$
6. Publish public key $pk = \{ \overset{e}{7}, \overset{n}{187} \}$
7. Keep secret private key $sk = \{ 23, 17, 11 \}$
 $\swarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow$
 $d \quad \quad \quad p \quad q$

Key Generation

Select p, q	p and q both prime, $p \neq q$
Calculate $n = p \times q$	
Calculate $\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$	
Select integer e	$\gcd(\phi(n), e) = 1; 1 < e < \phi(n)$
Calculate d	$de \pmod{\phi(n)} = 1$
Public key	$KU = \{e, n\}$
Private key	$KR = \{d, n\}$

RSA use

- to encrypt a message **M** the sender:
 - obtains **public key** of recipient $pk = \{e, n\}$
 - computes: $C = M^e \bmod n$, where $0 \leq M < n$

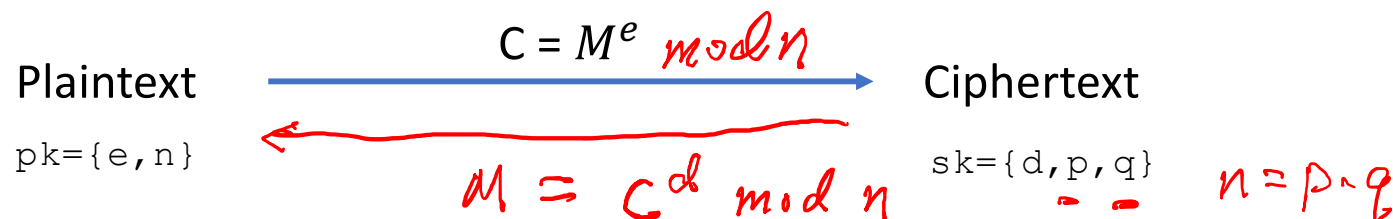
modular exponentiation

- to decrypt the ciphertext **C** the owner:
 - uses their private key $sk = \{d, p, q\}$
 - computes: $M = C^d \bmod n$

Encryption	
Plaintext:	$M < n$
Ciphertext:	$C = M^e \pmod n$

Decryption	
Ciphertext:	C
Plaintext:	$M = C^d \pmod n$

- note that the message **M** must be smaller than the modulus **n** (block if needed)



RSA example continue

- sample RSA encryption/decryption is:
- given message $M = \underline{88}$ ($\underline{88} < \underline{187}$)

- encryption:

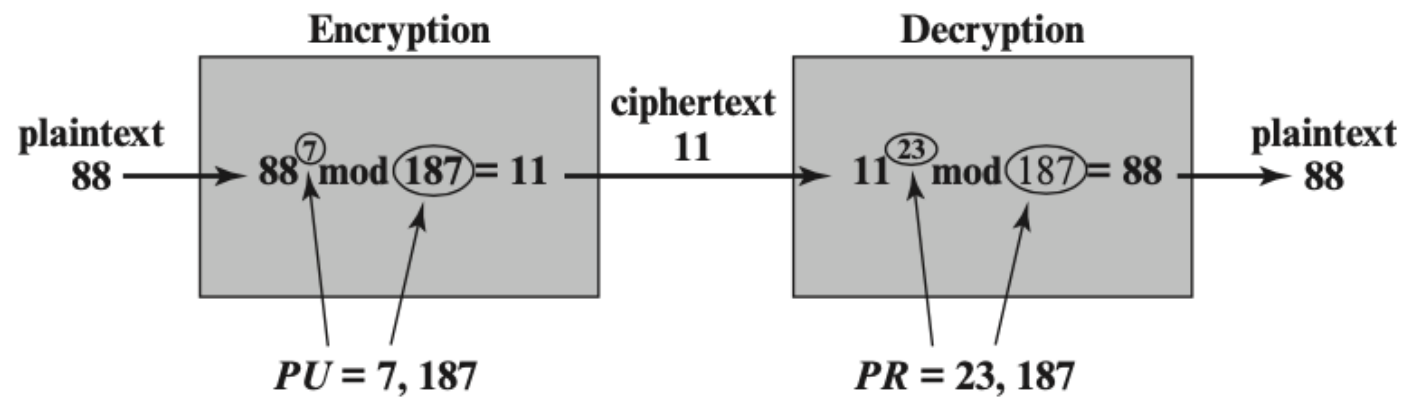
$$C = 88^7 \bmod 187 = 11$$

- decryption:

$$M = \underline{11}^{\underline{23}} \bmod \underline{187} = \underline{88}$$

c^d

Example of RSA algorithm



RSA key generation *← security*

- users of RSA must:

- determine two primes at random - p, q
- select either e or d and compute the other

- primes p, q must not be easily derived from modulus $n = p \cdot q$

- means must be sufficiently large
- typically guess and use probabilistic test

- exponents e, d are inverses, so use Inverse algorithm to compute the other

large

keep secret

$n \rightarrow \phi(n) \rightarrow e \rightarrow d$

$e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$

*factorization
NP hard*

$pk = \{e, n\}$ ~~$\rightarrow \phi(n)$~~ $\phi(n) = (p-1) \cdot (q-1)$

$\phi(n)$

$$= \frac{p \cdot q}{n} - p - q + 1$$

Correctness of RSA

- Euler's theorem: if $\gcd(M, n) = 1$, then $M^{\phi(n)} = 1 \pmod n$. Here $\phi(n)$ is Euler's totient function: the number of integers in $\{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$ which are relatively prime to n . When n is a prime, this theorem is just Fermat's little theorem

$$\begin{aligned} M' = C^d \pmod n &= M^{ed} \pmod n \\ &= M^{k\phi(n)+1} \pmod n \\ &= [M^{\phi(n)}]^k \cdot M \pmod n \\ &= M \pmod n \end{aligned}$$

Encryption	
Plaintext:	$M < n$
Ciphertext:	$C = M^e \pmod n$

$$M \xrightarrow[e]{C = M^e \bmod n} C \xrightarrow[d]{M'} M'$$

To prove $M' = M$

$$\begin{aligned} M' &= C^d \bmod n \\ &= (M^e)^d \bmod n \\ &= M^{ed} \bmod \underline{n} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$e \cdot d \equiv 1 \bmod \underline{\phi(n)}, \quad (2)$$

By definition of modular arithmetic.

$$(2) \Rightarrow ed = 1 + k \cdot \phi(n) \quad k \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1) &= M^{k \cdot \phi(n) + 1} \bmod n \\ &= M^{k \cdot \phi(n)} \cdot M \bmod n \\ &= (\underline{M^{\phi(n)}})^k \cdot M \bmod n \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

By Euler's theorem

$$\therefore \text{if } \underline{\gcd(M, \phi(n)) = 1} \\ \underline{M^{\phi(n)} \bmod n = 1}$$

if $M \ll n$, n is large number

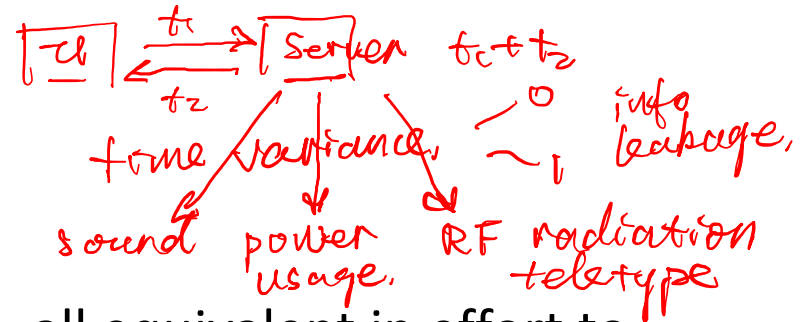
$$\Rightarrow M^{\phi(n)} \bmod n = 1 \quad (5)$$

$$(4) = (1)^k \cdot M \bmod n$$

$$M' = M \quad \blacksquare$$

Attack approaches

modular
exponentiation



$$n = p \cdot q$$

- **Mathematical attacks:** several approaches, all equivalent in effort to factoring the product of two primes. The defense against mathematical attacks is to use a large key size.

- **Timing attacks:** These depend on the running time of the decryption algorithm

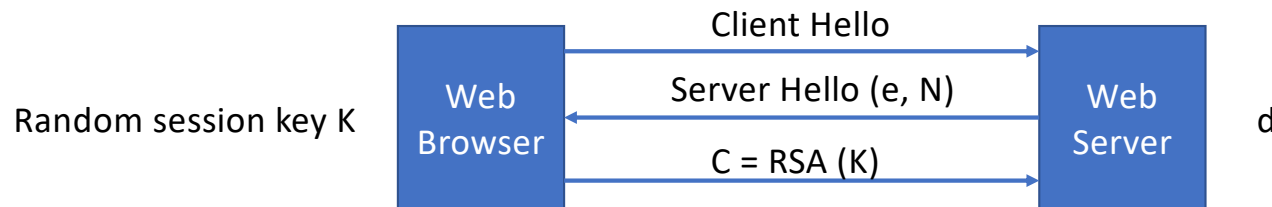
side channel attack, gain from info from implementation

$$\text{random} \leftarrow r \in \mathbb{Z}_n, M^2$$

$t = M/V$ Meta Data Signature

- **Chosen ciphertext attacks:** this type of attacks exploits properties of the RSA algorithm by selecting blocks of data. These attacks can be thwarted by suitable padding of the plaintext, such as PKCS1 V1.5 in SSL

A simple attack on textbook RSA



- Session-key K is 64 bits. View $K \in \{0, \dots, 2^{64}\}$
 - Eavesdropper sees: $C = K^e \pmod{N}$.
- Suppose $K = K_1 \cdot K_2$ where $K_1, K_2 < 2^{34}$.
 - Then: $C/K_1^e = K_2^e \pmod{N}$
- Build table: $C/1^e, C/2^e, C/3^e, \dots, C/2^{34e}$. time: 2^{34}
 - For $K_2 = 0, \dots, 2^{34}$ test if K_2^e is in table. time: $2^{34} \cdot 34$
- Attack time: $\approx 2^{40} \ll 2^{64}$