



Lecture in Number Theory
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**FACTORING INTEGERS, PRODUCING PRIMES AND THE
RSA CRYPTOSYSTEM**

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number	computers	memory
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RSA_{760}	215,000	4Gb.



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The RSA challenges ended in 2007. RSA Laboratories stated:

“Now that the industry has a considerably more advanced understanding of the cryptanalytic strength of common symmetric-key and public-key algorithms, these challenges are no longer active.”



Famous citation!!!



A phenomenon whose probability is 10^{-50} never happens, and it will never observed.

- ÉMIL BOREL (LES PROBABILITÉS ET SA VIE)

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Note that

$$1 + 1 \times 128 = 3 \times 43, 1 + 2 \times 128 = 257 \text{ is prime,}$$

$$1 + 3 \times 128 = 5 \times 7 \times 11, 1 + 4 \times 128 = 3^3 \times 19 \text{ and } 1 + 5 \cdot 128 = 641 \text{ is prime.}$$

Finally

$$\frac{2^{2^5} + 1}{641} = \frac{4294967297}{641} = 6700417$$



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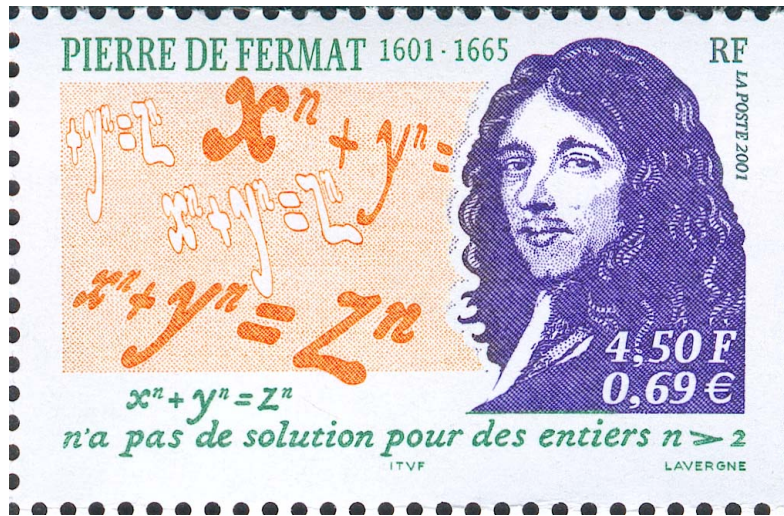
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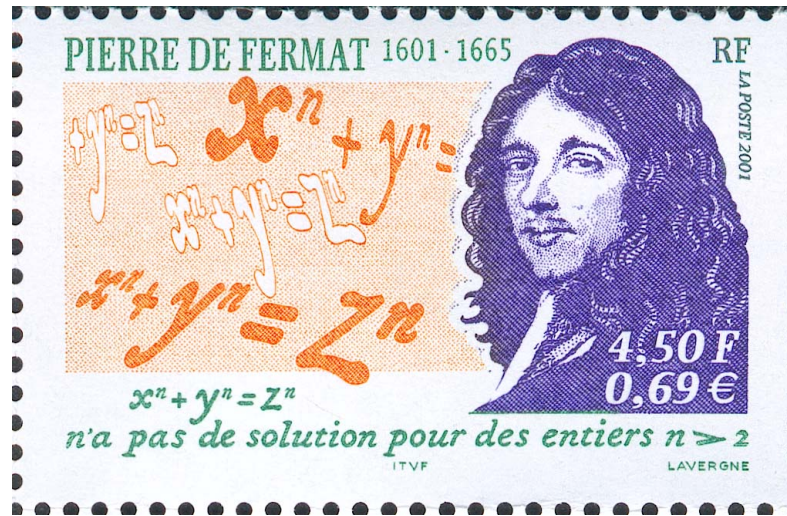
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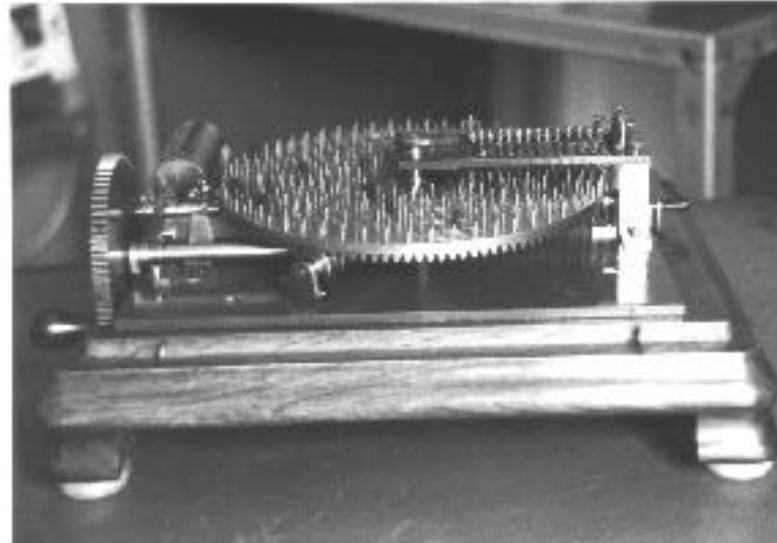


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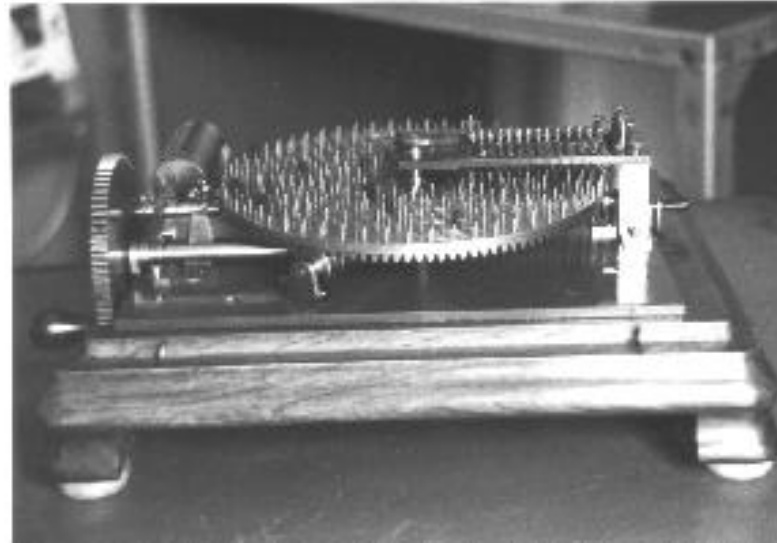


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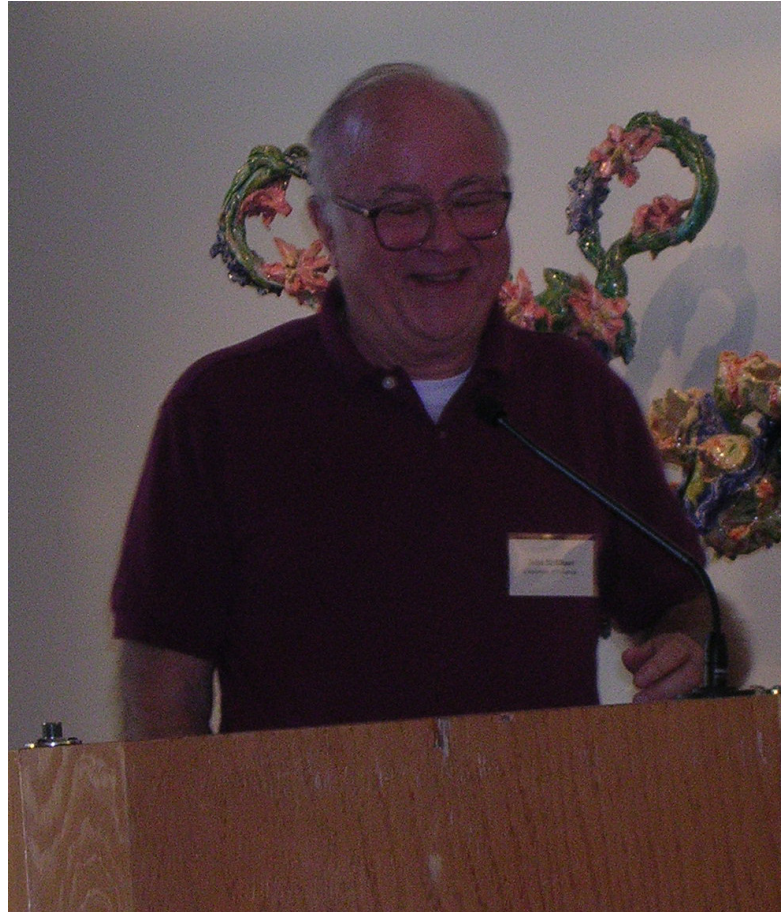
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- ❶ 1994, Quadratic Sieve (QS): (8 months, 600 volunteers, 20 nations)

D. Atkins, M. Graff, A. Lenstra, P. Leyland

$RSA_{129} = 114381625757888867669235779976146612010218296721242362562561842935706$
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Date: Mon, 9 May 2005 18:05:10 +0200 (CEST) From: "Thorsten Kleinjung" Subject: rsa200

We have factored RSA200 by GNFS. The factors are

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Factorization of RSA_{768}

RSA-768 [\[edit\]](#)

RSA-768 has 232 decimal digits (768 bits), and was factored on December 12, 2009 by Thorsten Kleinjung, Kazumaro Aoki, Jens Franke, [Arjen K. Lenstra](#), Emmanuel Thomé, Pierrick Gaudry, Alexander Kruppa, [Peter Montgomery](#), Joppe W. Bos, Dag Arne Osvik, Herman te Riele, Andrey Timofeev, and [Paul Zimmermann](#).^[31]

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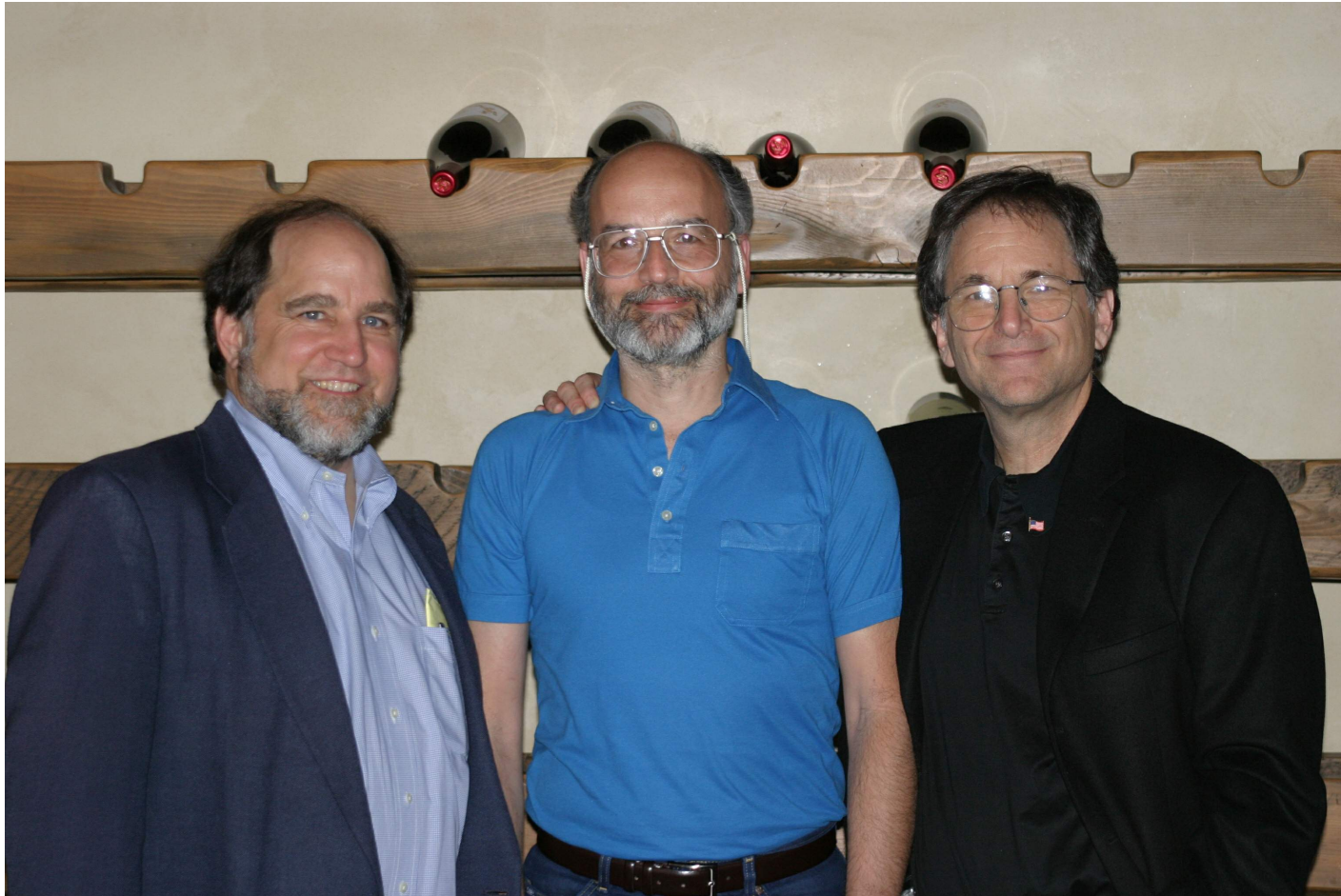


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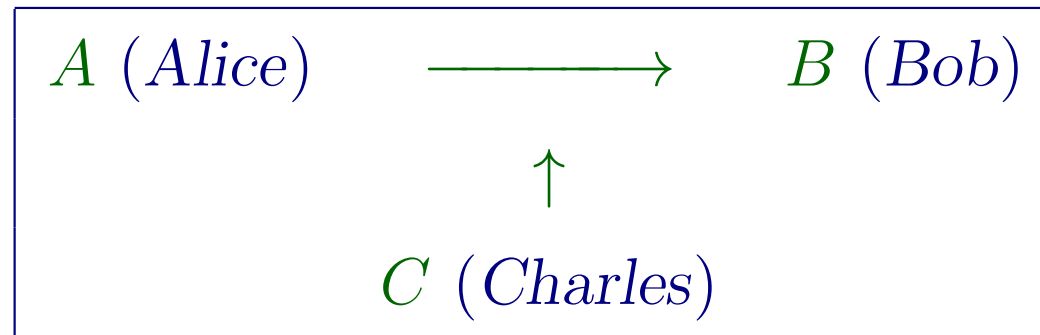
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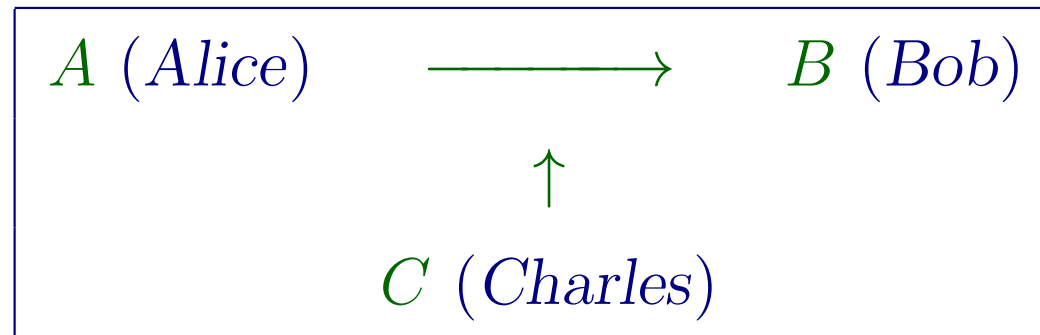
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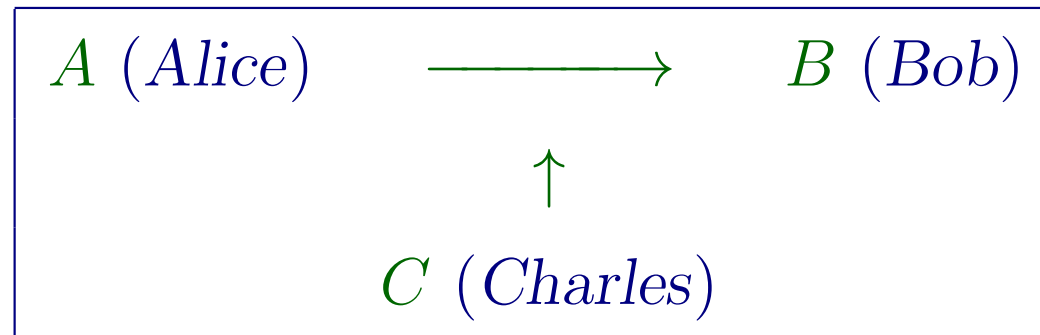
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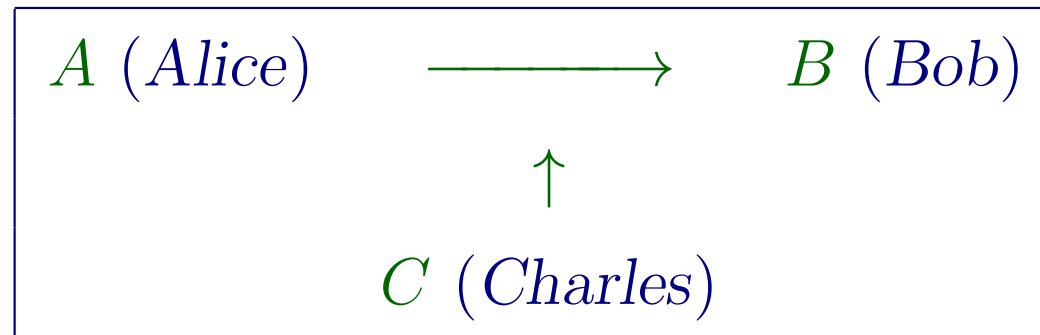
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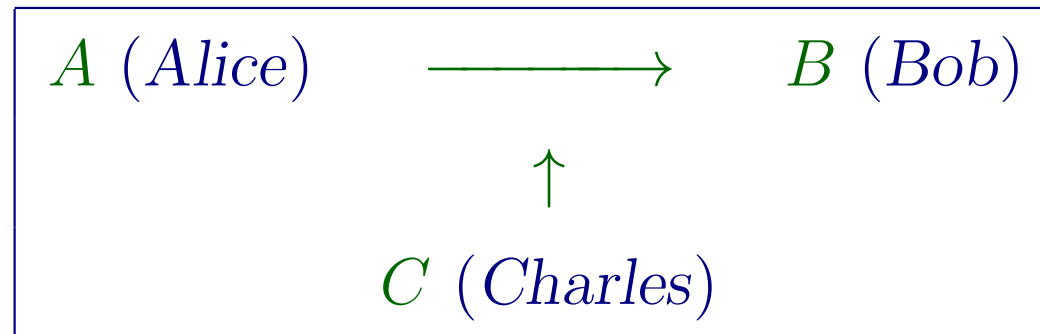
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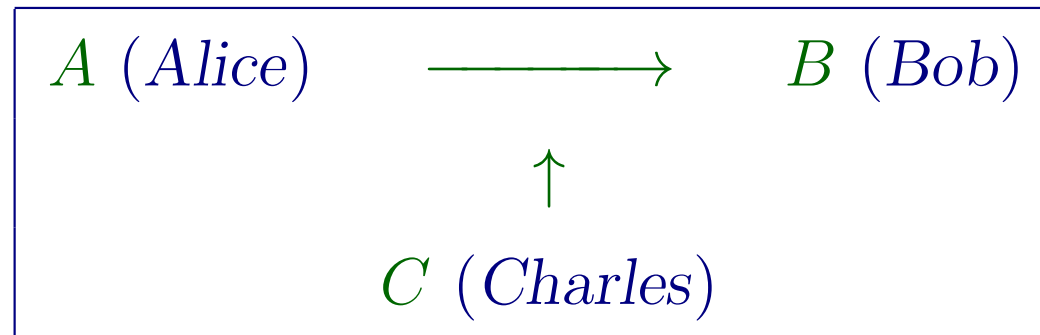
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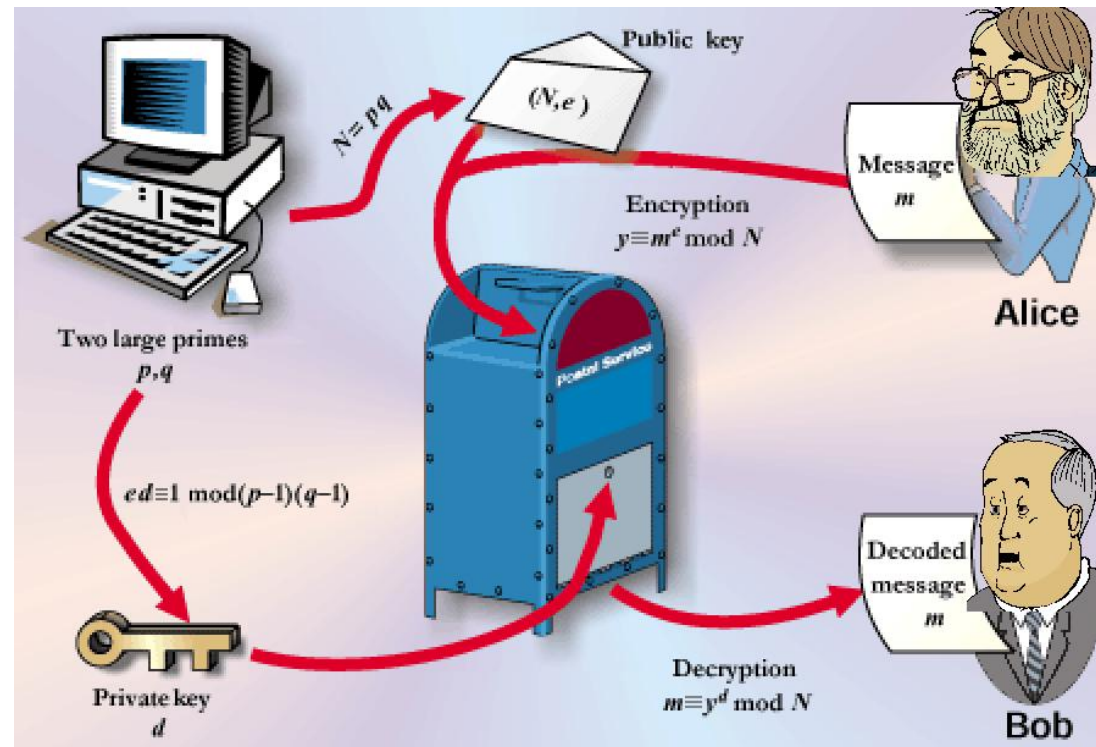
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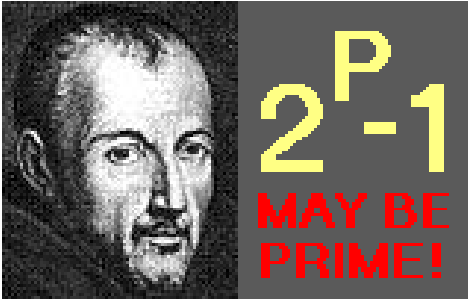
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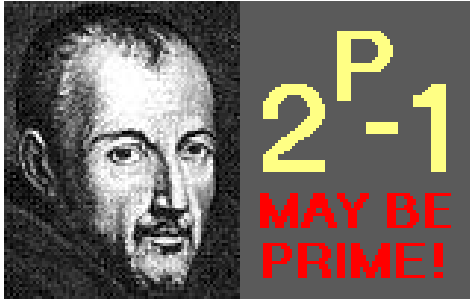


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Another quotation!!!

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- UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON (BATHROOM GRAFFITI)

