

<b>ASSIGNMENT NO</b>	B4
<b>TITLE</b>	Implementation of RSA
<b>PROBLEM STATEMENT/ DEFINITION</b>	Implementation of RSA
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	To understand how RSA algorithm works
<b>OUTCOME</b>	Understaning and implementation of asymmetric encryption using RSA.
<b>S/W PACKAGES AND HARDWARE APPARATUS USED</b>	Core 2 DUO/i3/i5/i7 64-bit processor OS-LINUX 64 bit OS Editor-gedit/Eclipse S/W- C++/JAVA//Python
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<b>STEPS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.Key generation</li> <li>2.Encryption</li> <li>3. Decryption</li> </ol>
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### **Prerequisites:**

Discrete mathematics, any programming language Java/C++/Python.

### **Concepts Related Theory:**

#### **RSA algorithm involves three steps**

1. Key Generation
2. Encryption
3. Decryption

### **1. Key Generation**

#### **Key Generation Algorithm**

The key generation algorithm works as follows:

1. Generate two large random primes,  $p$  and  $q$ , of approximately equal size such that their product  $n=pq$  is of the required bit length, e.g. 1024 bits.
2. Compute  $n=pq$  and  $\phi=(p-1)(q-1)$
3. Choose an integer  $e$ ,  $1 < e < \phi$ , such that  $\gcd(e, \phi) = 1$
4. Compute the secret exponent  $d$ ,  $1 < d < \phi$ , such that  $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi}$
5. The public key is  $(n, e)$  and the private key  $(n, d)$ . Keep all the values  $d$ ,  $p$ ,  $q$  and  $\phi$  secret.

#### **Note:**

- $n$  is known as the modulus.
- $e$  is known as the public exponent or encryption exponent or just the exponent.
- $d$  is known as the secret exponent or decryption exponent.

## A practical key generation algorithm

A practical algorithm to generate an RSA key pair is given below. Typical bit lengths are  $k=1024, 2048, 3072, 4096, \dots$ , with increasing computational expense for larger values. You will not go far wrong if you choose  $e$  as 65537 ( $=0x10001$ ) in step (1).

**Algorithm:** Generate an RSA key pair.

INPUT: Required modulus bit length,  $k$ .

OUTPUT: An RSA key pair  $((N, e), d)$  where  $N$  is the modulus, the product of two primes ( $N=pq$ ) not exceeding  $k$  bits in length;  $e$  is the public exponent, a number less than and coprime to  $(p-1)(q-1)$ ; and  $d$  is the private exponent such that  $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$ .

1. Select a value of  $e$  from 3, 5, 17, 257, 65537

2. **repeat**

$p \leftarrow \text{genprime}(k/2)$

**until**  $(p \bmod e) \neq 1$

**repeat**

$q \leftarrow \text{genprime}(k - k/2)$

**until**  $(q \bmod e) \neq 1$

$N \leftarrow pq$

$L \leftarrow (p-1)(q-1)$

$d \leftarrow \text{modinv}(e, L)$

**return**  $(N, e, d)$

The function  $\text{genprime}(b)$  returns a prime of exactly  $b$  bits, with the  $b$ th bit set to 1. Note that the operation  $k/2$  is *integer* division giving the integer quotient with no fraction.

If you've chosen  $e=65537$  then the chances are that the first prime returned in steps (3) and (6) will pass the tests in steps (4) and (7), so each repeat-until loop will most likely just take one iteration. The final value of  $N$  may have a bit length slightly short of the target  $k$ . This actually does not matter too much (providing the message  $m$  is always  $< N$ ), but some schemes require a modulus of exact length. If this is the case, then just repeat the entire algorithm until you get one. It should not take too many goes.

## • Encryption:

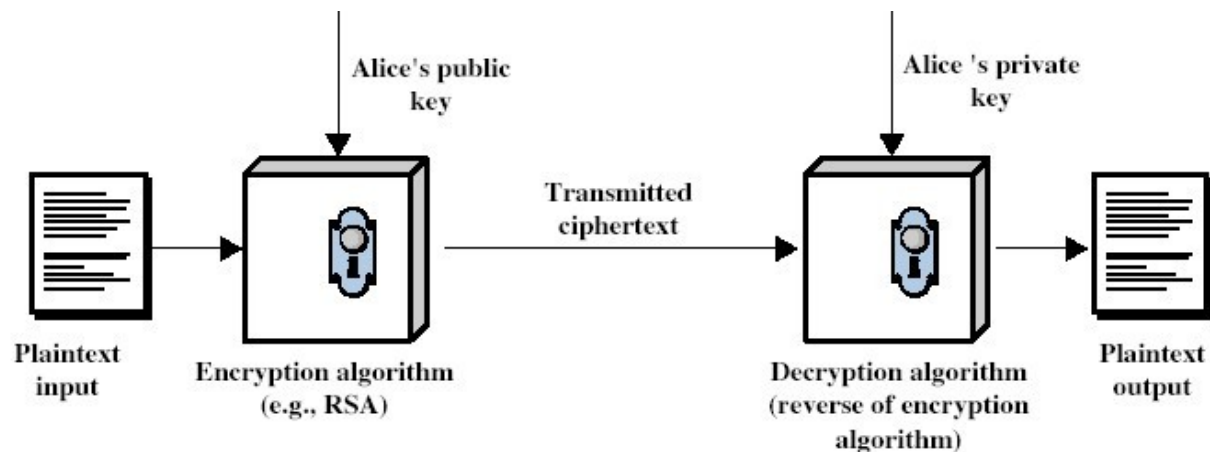
Sender A does the following:-

1. Obtains the recipient B's public key  $(n,e)$
2. Represents the plaintext message as a positive integer  $M$  with  $1 < M < n$
3. Computes the ciphertext  $C = M^e \bmod n$
4. Sends the ciphertext  $C$  to B.

## • Decryption

Recipient B does the following:-

1. Uses his private key  $(n,d)$  to compute  $m = C^d \bmod n$
2. Extracts the plaintext from the message representative  $m$



**Figure: RSA encryption and decryption**

## **RSA for Digital signing**

Sender A does the following:-

1. Creates a message digest of the information to be sent.
2. Represents this digest as an integer  $m$  between 1 and  $n-1$
3. Uses her *private* key  $(n,d)$  to compute the signature  $s = m^d \bmod n$

4. Sends this signature  $S$  to the recipient, B.

### **Signature verification**

#### **Recipient B does the following (*older method*):-**

1. Uses sender A's public key  $(n,e)$  to compute integer  $v=s^e \bmod n$
2. Extracts the message digest  $H$  from this integer.
3. Independently computes the message digest  $H'$  of the information that has been signed.
4. If both message digests are identical, i.e.  $H=H'$ , the signature is valid.

#### ***More secure method*: -**

1. Uses sender A's public key  $(n,e)$  to compute integer  $v=s^e \bmod n$
2. Independently computes the message digest  $H'$  of the information that has been signed.
3. Computes the expected representative integer  $v'$  by encoding the expected message digest  $H'$
4. If  $v=v'$ , the signature is valid.

### **Test Cases:**

Generate RSA key pair for different values of  $p$  and  $q$ . Apply encryption and decryption on the given string.