

Cryptographie M1

Lecture 3

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- ▶ Other limitation of authentication scheme
 - ▶ cannot authenticate to **multiple** receivers
 - ▶ does not have **non-repudiation**

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The Needham-Schroeder Protocol (1978)

Please look at the board!

The solution: Public-Key Cryptography

first proposed by Diffie and Hellman

W.Diffie and M.E.Hellman

New directions in cryptography

IEEE Trans. Inform. Theory, IT-22, 6, 1976, pp. 644-654.

- ▶ similar idea by Merkle:
 - ▶ **1974**: a project proposal for a Computer Security course at UC Berkeley
(it was rejected)
 - ▶ **1975**: submitted to the CACM journal (it was rejected)
(see <http://www.merkle.com/1974/>)
- ▶ **2015 Turing Award**
- ▶ It 1997 the GCHQ revealed that they knew it already in 1970 (James Ellis).

The idea

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- ▶ **Public Key Encryption**
 - ▶ Message + **Billel's Public Key** = Ciphertext
 - ▶ Ciphertext + **Billel's Private Key** = Message
 - ▶ anyone with Billel's public key can send Billel a secret message.
 - ▶ only Billel can decrypt the message, since only Billel has the private key.

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- ▶ **Digital signatures**
 - ▶ Message + **Anissa's Private Key** = Signature
 - ▶ Message + Signature + **Anissa's Public Key** = 0 or 1
- ▶ anyone with Anissa's public key can verify that the message comes from Anissa.
- ▶ only Anissa can produce the signature, since only Anissa has the private key.

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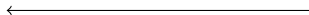
⇝ Example: **padlock**



anyone can lock it



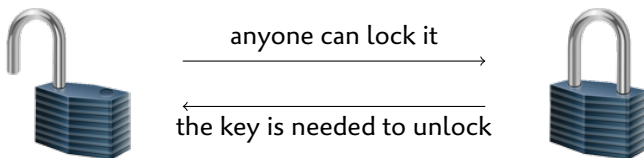
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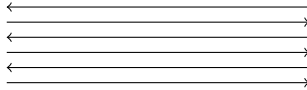


- ▶ Diffie and Hellman proposed public key cryptography in 1976.
 - ▶ They just proposed the concept, not the implementation.
 - ▶ But they have shown a protocol for **key-exchange**

Key Exchange



Anissa



Billel



Eve

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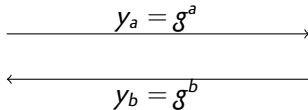
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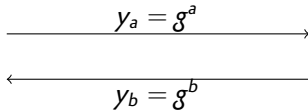
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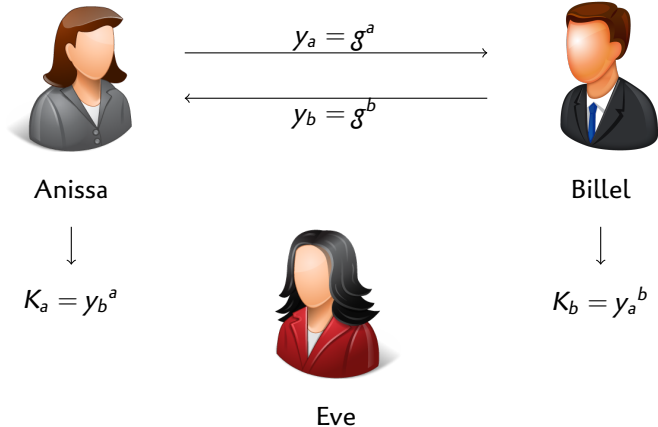
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Exponentiation by squaring – *square-and-multiply*

$$y^x = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ y \cdot y^{x-1} & \text{if } x \text{ is odd} \\ (y^2)^{x/2} & \text{if } x \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

Efficiency of computation modulo n

Suppose that n is a k -bit number, and $0 \leq x, y \leq n$

- ▶ $(x \pm y) \bmod n \rightsquigarrow O(k)$
- ▶ $(xy) \bmod n \rightsquigarrow O(k^2)$ (or $\tilde{O}(k)$)
- ▶ $(x)^c \bmod n \rightsquigarrow O((\log c)k^2)$ or $\tilde{O}((\log c)k)$
- ▶ $(x^{-1}) \bmod n \rightsquigarrow O(k^3)$ (or $\tilde{O}(k^2)$) or $O(k^2)$ (or $\tilde{O}(k)$)

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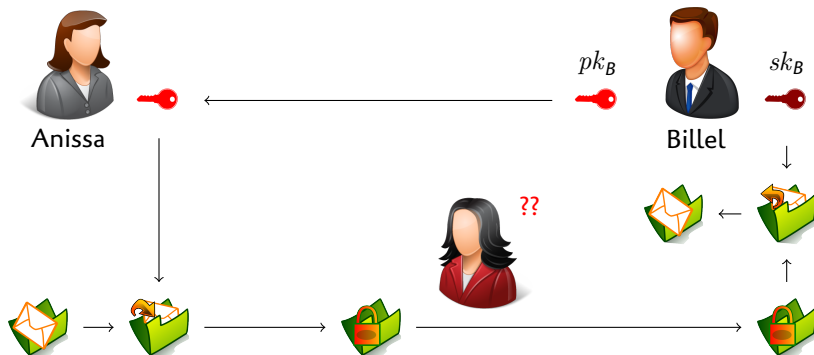
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Public Key Cryptosystems

Asymmetric encryption: Billel owns two "keys"

- ▶ a **public** key known by everybody (including Anissa)
- ▶ a **secret** key known by Billel only



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- ▶ \mathcal{D} is a deterministic **decryption algorithm** which takes on input a secret key sk , a ciphertext c and returns the corresponding plaintext m or the symbol \perp . We require that if $(sk, pk) \leftarrow \mathcal{K}$, then $\mathcal{D}_{sk}(\mathcal{E}_{pk}(m, u)) = m$ for all $(m, u) \in \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{U}$.

Public-Key Encryption: Security Notions

Encryption is supposed to provide confidentiality of the data.

But what exactly does this mean?

Security goal	But ...
Recovery of secret key is infeasible	True if data is sent in the clear
Obtaining plaintext from ciphertext is infeasible	Might be able to obtain half the plaintext
<i>etc</i>	<i>etc</i>

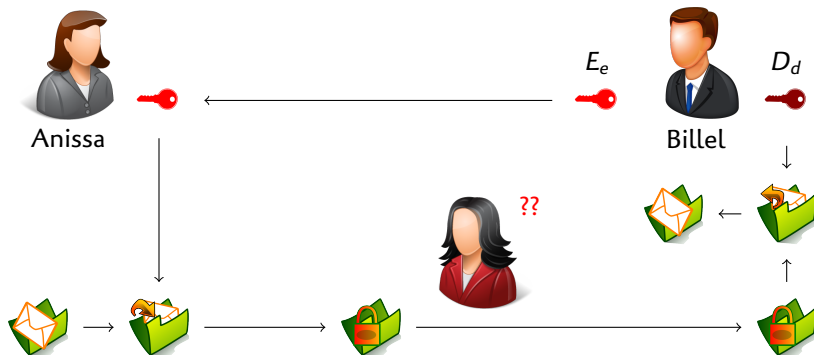
So what is a **secure** encryption scheme ?

Not an easy question to answer ...

Trapdoor permutations

- ▶ A **trapdoor function** is a function that
 - ▶ is **easy** to compute in one direction,
 - ▶ yet believed to be **difficult** to compute in the opposite direction (finding its inverse) without special information, called the "trapdoor".
- ▶ A trapdoor permutation family $\{E : X \longrightarrow X\}_{(e,d)}$
 - ▶ easy to compute $y = E_e(x)$ for any $x \in X$,
 - ▶ (believed to be) difficult to compute $E_e^{-1}(y)$ for any $y \in X$,
 - ▶ except if one knows $d : E_e^{-1}(y) = D_d(y) = x$.
- ▶ Do such functions exist?

How to encrypt a message m



Warning: in general it's not that simple. We will explain it later.

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- Compute $N = p \cdot q$ and $\varphi(N) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$.
- Select a random integer e , $1 < e < \varphi(N)$, such that $\gcd(e, (p - 1)(q - 1)) = 1$.
- Compute the unique integer d , $1 < d < \varphi(N)$ with $e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{\varphi(N)}$.

How ?

Public key = (N, e) which can be published.

Private key = (d, p, q) which needs to be kept secret

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- ▶ **Decryption:** to recover m from c , Billel does the following:
 - ▶ Use the private key d to recover $m = c^d \bmod N$.

RSA - Proof That Decryption Works

Recall that $e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{\varphi(N)}$, so there exists an integer k such that

$$e \cdot d = 1 + k \cdot \varphi(N).$$

- ▶ If $\gcd(m, p) = 1$:
 - ▶ By **Fermat's Little Theorem** we have $m^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$.
 - ▶ Taking $k(q-1)$ -th power and multiplying with m yields

$$m^{1+k(p-1)(q-1)} \equiv m \pmod{p}$$

- ▶ If $\gcd(m, p) = p$, then $m \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ and the previous equality is valid again.

Hence, in all cases $m^{e \cdot d} \equiv m \pmod{p}$ and by a similar argument we have $m^{e \cdot d} \equiv m \pmod{q}$.

Since p and q are distinct primes, the **CRT** leads to

$$c^d = (m^e)^d = m^{ed} = m^{k(p-1)(q-1)+1} \equiv m \pmod{N}.$$

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Prime Numbers

- ▶ prime numbers are needed for RSA



Theorem (Prime number theorem — 1896)

The number of primes less than x is about $x / \log x$.

- ▶ \rightsquigarrow primes are quite common ($\simeq 2^{503}$ primes $\leq 2^{512}$).
- ▶ testing primes **can be done very fast!**
- ▶ generating primes **can be done very fast!**
(on average, one need to test 177 numbers before one find a 512-bit prime)

Fermat's test

Theorem (Fermat's little theorem)

For $a \in (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^$, $a^{\varphi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$.*

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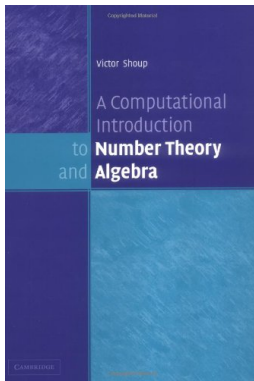
- ▶ Pick a randomly from $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^*$
- ▶ Compute $b = a^{n-1} \pmod{n}$
- ▶ If $b \neq 1$ output (Composite, a)

output Possibly Prime

Carmichael numbers

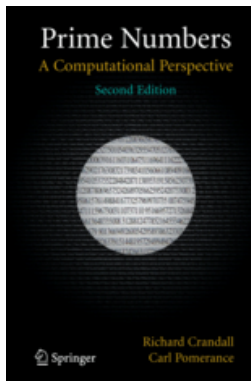
- ▶ **Carmichael numbers** are composite numbers n which fail the Fermat Test for every a not dividing n .
- ▶ There are **infinitely many** Carmichael Numbers
 - ▶ the first three are 561, 1105, 1729
- ▶ **Exercise:** Carmichael Numbers N have the following properties
 1. always odd
 2. are square free
 3. if p divides N then $p - 1$ divides $N - 1$.
 4. have at least three prime factors
- ▶ Need for other tests

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Security of RSA

- ▶ Security of RSA relies on difficulty of finding d given N and e .
- ▶ If we can **factor** N then we can find p and q
 - ▶ Hence we can calculate d .
- ▶ i.e. **If factoring is easy we can break RSA.**
 - ▶ Currently 829 bit numbers are the largest that have been (2021) factored
 - ▶ Hence best to choose (at least) **2048 bit** numbers
- ▶ **Is RSA as strong as factorization?** Will next show that knowing d we can factor N .
 - ▶ Still does not rule out possibility that breaking RSA is easier than factoring

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- ▶ One idea many factoring algorithms use:
 - ▶ Suppose one finds $x^2 \equiv y^2 \pmod{N}$ s.t. $x \not\equiv \pm y \pmod{N}$.
 - ▶ Then $N \mid (x - y)(x + y)$.
 - ▶ Neither $(x - y)$ nor $(x + y)$ is divisible by N ; thus,

$\gcd(x - y, N)$ *has a non-trivial factor of N .*

Time complexity of Integer Factoring

- ▶ **quadratic sieve:**

$$O(\exp((1 + o(1))\sqrt{\ln N \ln \ln N}))$$

[For $N \simeq 2^{1024}$, " $O(e^{68})$ "]

- ▶ **elliptic curve factoring algorithm:**

$$O(\exp((1 + o(1))\sqrt{2 \ln p \ln \ln p})),$$

where p is N 's smallest prime factor

[For $N = pq$ and $p, q \simeq 2^{512}$, " $O(e^{65})$ "]

- ▶ **number field sieve:**

$$O(\exp((1.92 + o(1))(\ln N)^{1/3}(\ln \ln N)^{2/3}))$$

[For $N \simeq 2^{1024}$, " $O(e^{60})$ "]

- ▶ Multiple 512-bit moduli **have been factored**

- ▶ Extrapolating trends of factoring suggests that:

- ▶ 1024-bit moduli will be factored by **2018 ... (PERDU !)**

Knowledge of $\varphi(N)$

- ▶ We will show **knowledge of $\varphi(N)$** allows us to factor N as well.
- ▶ We have

$$\varphi(N) = (p-1)(q-1) = N - (p+q) + 1.$$

- ▶ Hence

$$S = p + q = N + 1 - \varphi(N)$$

$$P = pq = N$$

- ▶ p and q are the **roots** of $X^2 - SX + P = 0$.

Security of RSA

- ▶ Suppose you can find d for a given N and e .

- ▶ Then for some integer s

$$ed - 1 = s(p - 1)(q - 1).$$

- ▶ Hence for any $x \neq 0$

$$x^{ed-1} = 1 \pmod{N}.$$

- ▶ We want to put

$$y_1 = \sqrt{x^{ed-1}} = x^{(ed-1)/2}$$

and then use

$$y_1^2 - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

to recover a factor of N from $\gcd(y_1 - 1, N)$.

- ▶ This will only work when $y_1 \not\equiv \pm 1 \pmod{N}$.

Security of RSA

- ▶ Now suppose $y_1 = 1 \pmod N$, then we take a square root of y_1

$$y_2 = \sqrt{y_1} = x^{(ed-1)/4}$$

- ▶ We know $y_2^2 = y_1 = 1 \pmod N$. Hence we compute $\gcd(y_2 - 1, N)$ and see if this gives a factor of N .
- ▶ We repeat until
 - ▶ either we have factored N
 - ▶ or $(ed - 1)/2^s$ is no longer divisible by 2.
- ▶ We will factor N with probability $1/2$.

Shared Modulus

- ▶ Assume for efficiency that each user has
 - ▶ The **same modulus** N
 - ▶ Different public/private exponents (e_i, d_i)
- ▶ Suppose I am user number one, and I want to find user number two's d_2 .
 - ▶ User one computes p and q since they know d_1 .
 - ▶ User one computes $\varphi(N) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$
 - ▶ User one computes $d_2 = e_2^{-1} \bmod \varphi(N)$
- ▶ So **each user can then find every other users key.**

What about an eavesdropper ?

Shared Modulus

- ▶ **Now suppose the attacker is not one of the people who share a modulus**
- ▶ Suppose Anissa sends the message m to two people with public keys
 - ▶ $(N, e_1), (N, e_2)$, i.e. $N_1 = N_2 = N$.
- ▶ Eve can see the messages c_1 and c_2 where
 - ▶ $c_1 = m^{e_1} \bmod N$
 - ▶ $c_2 = m^{e_2} \bmod N$

Shared Modulus

- ▶ Eve can now compute

- ▶ $t_1 = e_1^{-1} \bmod e_2$

- ▶ $t_2 = (t_1 e_1 - 1)/e_2$

- ▶ Eve can then **retrieve the message** from

$$\begin{aligned}c_1^{t_1} c_2^{t_2} &\equiv m^{e_1 t_1} m^{-e_2 t_2} \bmod N \\&\equiv m^{1+e_2 t_2} m^{-e_2 t_2} \bmod N \\&\equiv m^{1+e_2 t_2 - e_2 t_2} \bmod N \\&\equiv m \bmod N\end{aligned}$$

Small Public Exponent

Hstad (1988)

Solving Simultaneous Modular Equations of Low Degree.
SIAM J. Comput. 17(2): 336-341

- ▶ Suppose we have three users
 - ▶ With public moduli N_1, N_2 and N_3
 - ▶ All with public exponent $e = 3$
- ▶ Suppose Anissa sends them the **same** message m
- ▶ Eve sees the messages
 - ▶ $c_1 = m^3 \bmod N_1$
 - ▶ $c_2 = m^3 \bmod N_2$
 - ▶ $c_3 = m^3 \bmod N_3$
- ▶ Now Eve, using the **CRT**, computes the solution to

$$X = c_i \bmod N_i$$

to obtain

$$X \bmod N_1 N_2 N_3.$$