

L94 - Public-Key Cryptography

Public-Key Cryptography

Number Theory, RSA, Diffie-Hellmann

Agenda

- Introduction
- **Number Theory**
- **RSA**
- **Diffie-Hellmann**

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Public-Key Technique

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- **A pair of keys is used**

- Private Key used by one party

- key kept secret in one system
- to sign messages to be sent to the other party for authentication
- to decrypt messages received from the other party

- Public Key used by the other party

- key may widely be published to many systems
- to encrypt messages to be sent to the other party for privacy
- to verify messages received from the other party for authentication

- **Called asymmetric algorithms**

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Public-Key Technique

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- **Methodology**

- S ... Private Key, P ... Public Key

- Security association between Alice and Bob

- Alice generates one key pair (P_A, S_A) , keeps S_A secret in her system and give P_A to Bob

- Security association between Bob and Alice

- Bob generates one key pair (P_B, S_B) , keeps S_B secret in his system and give P_B to Alice

- Encrypted messages from Alice to Bob

- $C = f_E(P_B, M)$
- $M = f_D(S_B, C)$ done by Bob to decrypt

- Encrypted messages from Bob to Alice

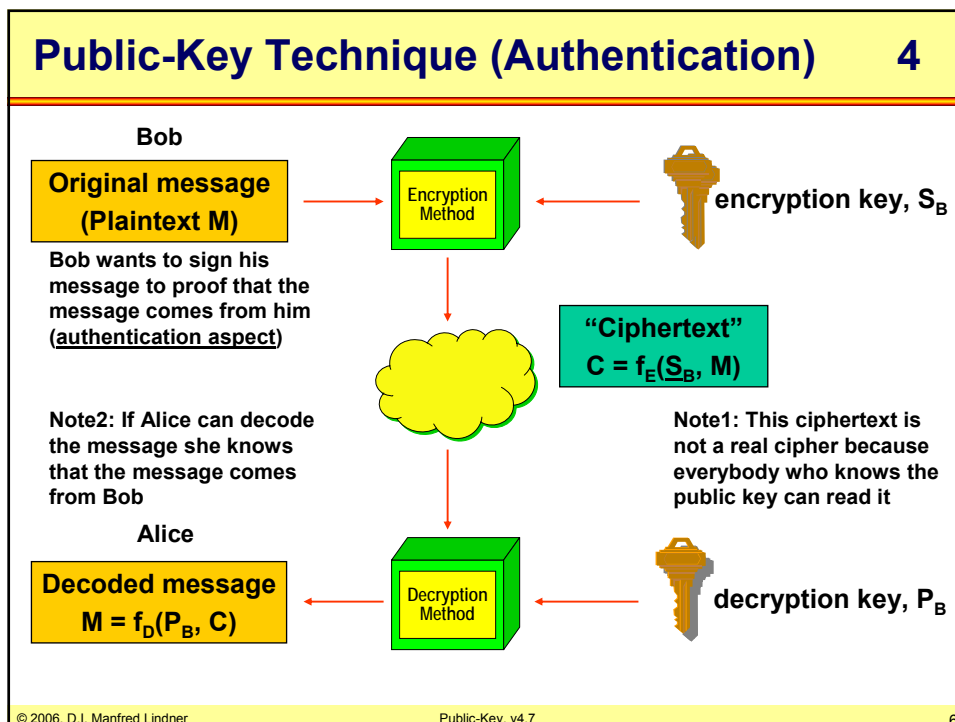
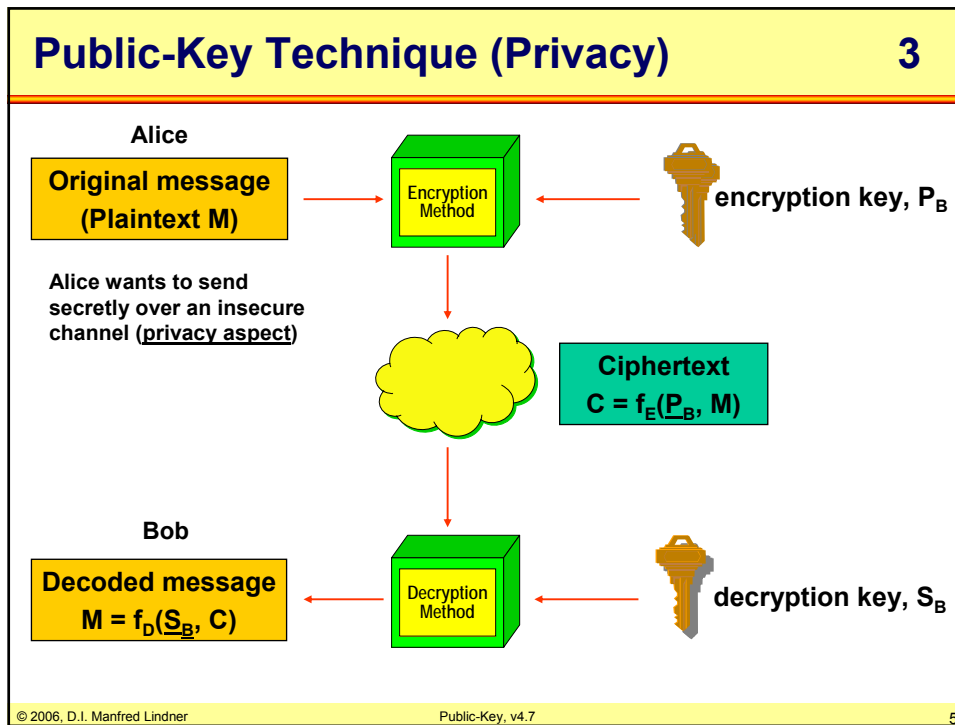
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Public-Key Algorithms

- **RSA**
 - for encryption and digital signature
- **El-Gamal and DSS**
 - for digital signature
- **Diffie-Helman**
 - allows establishment of a shared secret
- **They are all very different from each other**
 - All hash algorithms do the same thing: they take a message and perform an irreversible transformation on it
 - All the secret-key algorithms do the same thing: they take a block and encrypt in a reversible way and allow message ciphers by chaining mechanism of blocks

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„Natürliche Zahlen“	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a teilt n \rightarrow b \rightarrow b * a = n • b ist der komplementäre Teiler • p = Primzahl („prime“) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – als Teiler nur 1 und p – Primzahlen sind ungerade Zahlen (Ausnahme p=2) • Untersuchung, ob eine Zahl Primzahl ist <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Überprüfen aller Zahlen bis Wurzel aus p • Primfaktorzerlegung („prime factorisation“) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – $240 = 24 \cdot 10 = 3 \cdot 8 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 = 2^4 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$ – $3750 = 25 \cdot 15 \cdot 10 = 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^4$ – Primfaktoren bleiben übrig 	9
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„Natürliche Zahlen“	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ggT (größter gemeinsamer Teiler) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – gcd („<u>greatest common divisor</u>“) – bilde Produkt der Primfaktoren, die in beiden Zerlegungen gleichzeitig vorkommen – $240 = 24 \cdot 10 = 3 \cdot 8 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 = \underline{2^4} \cdot \underline{3} \cdot \underline{5}$ – $3750 = 25 \cdot 15 \cdot 10 = 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 = \underline{2} \cdot \underline{3} \cdot \underline{5^4}$ – $\text{ggT}(240, 3750) = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 = 30$ • ggT (a, n) = 1 \rightarrow teilerfremd („<u>relatively prime</u>“) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – $54 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 = 2 \cdot 3^3$ – $65 = 5 \cdot 13$ – $\text{ggT}(54, 65) = 1$ 	10
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„Natürliche Zahlen“

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- **kgV (kleinstes gemeinsames Vielfaches)**
 - bilde Produkt der höchsten Potenzen aller überhaupt vorkommender Primfaktoren
 - $75 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 = 3 \cdot \underline{5^2}$
 - $189 = 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 = \underline{7} \cdot \underline{3^3}$
 - $\text{kgV}(75, 189) = 7 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 3^3 = 4725$
- **$\text{ggT}(a, n) \cdot \text{kgV}(a, n) = a \cdot n$**
 - $75 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 = \underline{3} \cdot 5^2$
 - $189 = 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 = 7 \cdot \underline{3^3}$
 - $\text{ggT}(75, 189) = 3$
 - $\text{kgV}(75, 189) = 7 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 3^3 = 4725$
 - $3 \cdot 4725 = 14175 = 75 \cdot 189$

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ggT durch Euklid statt Faktorisierung

- **ggT lässt sich mit dem Euklid-Algorithmus leicht berechnen:**
 - Zwei Zahlen 792 (n) und 75 (a)
 - $792 = 10 \cdot 75 + 42$
 - $(n = q \cdot a + r) \rightarrow \text{ggT}(n, a) = \text{ggT}(a, r)$ mit $0 \leq r < a$
 - $75 = 1 \cdot 42 + 33$
 - $42 = 1 \cdot 33 + 9$
 - $33 = 3 \cdot 9 + 6$
 - $9 = 1 \cdot 6 + 3$
 - $6 = 2 \cdot \underline{3}$
 - 3 ist ggT von 792 und 75

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Vielfachsummandarstellung des ggT

- **Vielfachsummandarstellung:**
 - ist $g = \text{ggT}(n, a)$
 - dann gibt es ganze Zahlen s und t so dass
 - $g = t \cdot a + s \cdot n$
 - “Lemma von Bezout”
 - die Werte t und s lassen sich mit dem erweiterten Euklid-Algorithmus leicht berechnen

Restklassenarithmetik – Modulo (mod)

- **Restklassenarithmetik verwendet natürliche Zahlen kleiner n**
 - $0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$
- **Auf diese Zahlen lassen sich alle Operationen wie Addition, Multiplikation, Subtraktion anwenden**
- **Das Ergebnis einer solchen Operation wird durch n geteilt und der dabei entstandene Rest als modulo von n (mod n) bezeichnet**
 - $a \bmod n = r$
ist gleichbedeutend mit der Aussage
es gibt eine ganze Zahl k für die gilt: $a = k \cdot n + r$

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ggT und modulo

- **Wenn ggT (n, a) = 1 gilt laut Vielfachsummandarstellung**
 - $1 = t \cdot a + s \cdot n$
- **Betrachtet man diese Gleichung bezüglich mod n**
 - $1 = t \cdot a$
 - oder auch
 - $(t \cdot a) \bmod n = 1$
 - $t \cdot a$ geteilt durch n ergibt Rest 1
 - Man schreibt auch anstelle von $t \equiv a^{-1} \pmod{n}$
- **Dann ist a ist bezüglich modulo n invertierbar**
 - Es existiert daher ein komplementärer Teiler t der obige Gleichung erfüllt
 - Anmerkung:
 - in der normalen Arithmetik wäre $t = 1/a = a^{-1}$ (der Kehrwert von a) und daher ein Bruch (rationale Zahl)
 - In der Restklassenarithmetik gibt es aber keine Brüche sondern nur natürliche Zahlen
 - dennoch lässt sich hier (wenn a und n teilerfremd sind) mittels "erweiterten Euklid" eine natürliche Zahl t finden, die obige Gleichung erfüllt

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Introduction

- **Most of the public-key algorithms**
 - are based on modular arithmetic
- **Modular arithmetic**
 - uses non-negative integer numbers less than some positive integer n
 - performs ordinary arithmetic operations like addition or multiplication on such numbers but replaces the ordinary arithmetic result a with its remainder r when divided by n
 - the result r is expressed by " $a \bmod n$ "
 - $r = a \bmod n$
 - that means we can find an integer " k " such that
 - $a = k \cdot n + r$

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Modular Addition (mod 10)										
	K									
+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0
2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1
3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2
4	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3
5	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4
6	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5
7	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
8	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
M	C									

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Encryption / Decryption (add mod 10)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Addition of constant K mod 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – can be used for encryption of digits – each decimal digit maps to a different decimal digit – reversible way – constant K is the secret key – cipher like “Caesar Cipher” ● Mono alphabetic substitution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – of course not a good cipher ● Decryption <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – subtracting the secret constant – if less than 0 then add 10

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Encryption / Decryption (mult mod 10)

- **Encryption with $K = 3$**

- $(M * 3) \bmod 10 = C$

Ciphertext
 $C = f_E(K, M)$

- **Decryption**

- multiplying C with the “multiplicative inverse”
 - multiplicative inverse of K is the number you have to multiply to get 1
 - $(K * \text{mult-inv}(K)) \bmod n = 1$
 - in ordinary arithmetic
 - $\text{mult-inv}(K) = 1/K$ because $K * 1/K = 1$
 - $1/K$ is a fraction
 - but in modulo arithmetic we have only integers
 - so we cannot find $\text{mult-inv}(K)$ for all possible values of K

Decryption (mult mod 10)

- **Decryption (cont.)**

- for our example we can find multiplicative inverse mod 10
 - just by trying if $(K * \text{mult-inv}(K)) \bmod 10 = 1$
 - so we find:
 - $(1 * \text{mult-inv}(1)) \bmod 10 = 1 \rightarrow \text{mult-inv}(1) = 1$
 - $(3 * \text{mult-inv}(3)) \bmod 10 = 1 \rightarrow \text{mult-inv}(3) = 7$
 - $(7 * \text{mult-inv}(7)) \bmod 10 = 1 \rightarrow \text{mult-inv}(7) = 3$
 - $(9 * \text{mult-inv}(9)) \bmod 10 = 1 \rightarrow \text{mult-inv}(9) = 9$

- **Therefore for $K = 3$ we can decrypt by multiplying with $\text{mult-inv}(K) = 7$**

- $(C * 7) \bmod 10 = M$

Plaintext
 $M = f_D(K, C)$

- **Again that is not a good cipher**

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How to Find the Multiplicative Inverse

- **Finding multiplicative inverse t in mod n arithmetic**
 - is not obvious especially for a large number n
 - for a given a and $n \rightarrow$ find number t such that $(a \cdot t) \bmod n = 1$
 - brute-force search with $n = 100$ digit number will not work
- **But if the two numbers a and n are relatively prime**
 - then because of the general rule of “Bezout”
 - $1 = t \cdot a + s \cdot n$
 - and finally if the rule of “Bezout” is performed modulo n
 - $(t \cdot a) \bmod n = 1$
 - 1.) there must exist such inverse number t
 - 2.) the number t can be found by the Extended Euclid's algorithm
 - note to Euclid:
 - Basic Euclid's algorithm finds gcd (greatest common divisor) of two numbers (a, n)
 - alternatively t can be found by using the Euler formula $a^{\varphi(n)} \bmod n = 1$
 - $(t \cdot a) \bmod n = a^{\varphi(n)} \bmod n \rightarrow t = a^{\varphi(n)-1} \bmod n$
 - useful only if value for $\varphi(n)$ is known

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Relatively Prime

- **Why are the numbers 1, 3, 7 and 9**
 - the only ones with multiplicative inverse mod 10?
- **They are the only ones which are relatively prime to 10**
 - each of these numbers does not share any common factors with 10 other than 1 (gcd is 1)
 - the largest integer that divides 9 and 10 is 1
 - the largest integer that divides 7 and 10 is 1
 - the largest integer that divides 3 and 10 is 1
 - but 6 and 10 have two factors in common \rightarrow 1 and 2

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Euler Function

- **In turns out that in general**
 - when working with mod n all numbers which are relatively prime to n have a multiplicative inverse but none of the other numbers
- **How many numbers less than n are relatively prime to n ?**
 - notation for that amount is $\varphi(n)$
 - **$\varphi(n)$ Euler function**
 - there is no simple formula but in special cases of n we can determine $\varphi(n)$
 - -> see next slides

$\varphi(n)$ for Prime Numbers

- **If $n = \text{prime}$ then $\varphi(n) = n-1$**
 - all the integers $1, 2, \dots, n-1$ are relatively prime to n
 - greatest common divisor with n is 1 for all of them
 - note:
 - a number n is prime means that the only divisors are 1 and n itself
 - it cannot be written as a product of other numbers
- **If $n = \text{product of two distinct prime numbers } p \text{ and } q \text{ then}$**

$$\varphi(n) = (p-1) \cdot (q-1)$$

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Explanation $\phi(n)$

- **Why?**



- p and q are prime numbers and $n = p \cdot q$
 - n could be divided only by p or q
 - n could not be divided by other numbers because p and q are prime (only 1, p or q are possible as factors)
- there are $n = (p \cdot q - 1)$ numbers $\rightarrow (1, 2, \dots, n-1)$
 - we want to exclude all numbers which are not relatively prime
 - those are the numbers that are either multiples of p or q
 - we have the numbers $1q, 2q, \dots, (p-1)q$ which are in sum $p-1$ multiples of q which are less than $p \cdot q$
 - we have the numbers $1p, 2p, \dots, (q-1)p$ which are in sum $q-1$ multiples of p which are less than $p \cdot q$
 - the rest must be relatively prime
- $\phi(n) = (p \cdot q - 1) - (p-1) - (q-1) = p \cdot q - 1 - p + 1 - q + 1 =$
 $p \cdot q - p - q + 1 = (p - 1) \cdot (q - 1)$

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Example

- **$p = 5, q = 7$**
- **$p \cdot q = 35 = n$**
- **$1 \cdot 7, 2 \cdot 7, 3 \cdot 7, 4 \cdot 7$** 
 - are not relatively prime to 35 because greatest common divisor is 7 instead of 1
 - that is $p-1$ times $\rightarrow 4$ times
- **$1 \cdot 5, 2 \cdot 5, 3 \cdot 5, 4 \cdot 5, 5 \cdot 5, 6 \cdot 5$** 
 - are not relatively prime to 35 because greatest common divisor is 5 instead of 1
 - that is $q-1$ times $\rightarrow 6$ times
- **$\phi(35) = (p-1) \cdot (q-1) = 24$**
 - all other numbers are relatively prime to 35

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Example

$$p = 5, q = 7$$

$$p \cdot q = 35 = n$$

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	32	33	34	35

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Euler

- **Euler's theorem**

if two numbers a and n are relatively prime then

$$a^{\varphi(n)} \bmod n = 1 \text{ (Euler 1.)}$$

and for any integer k

$$a^{1+k\varphi(n)} \bmod n = a \text{ (Euler 2.)}$$

that is because

$$(a^1 * a^{k\varphi(n)}) \bmod n = (a^1 * a^{\varphi(n)k}) \bmod n = a * 1^k = a$$

- **It turns out that**

if $n =$ product of two distinct prime numbers p and q then the formula's of Euler are valid even if the number a is not relatively prime to n (so for all x with $x \leq n$)

$$\varphi(n) = (p-1) \cdot (q-1)$$

$$x^{(p-1)(q-1)} \bmod n = 1 \text{ (Euler 3.)}$$

$$x^{1+k(p-1)(q-1)} \bmod n = x \text{ (Euler 4.)}$$

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Modular Exponentiation (mod 10)

XY	K												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	1	2	4	8	6	2	4	8	6	2	4	8	6
3	1	3	9	7	1	3	9	7	1	3	9	7	1
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6	1	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
7	1	7	9	3	1	7	9	3	1	7	9	3	1
8	1	8	4	2	6	8	4	2	6	8	4	2	6
9	1	9	1	9	1	9	1	9	1	9	1	9	1
M	C												

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Encryption (exp mod 10)

- **Encryption with $K = 3$**

Ciphertext
 $C = f_E(K, M)$

 - $(M^3) \bmod 10 = C$
 - $K = 3$ or $K = 7$ can be used
 - because all input digits are mapped to a unique output digit
 - $K = 2$ or 4 or 6 or 8 cannot be used
 - because some input digits are mapped to the same output digit
 - $K = 1$ or $K = 5$ or $K = 9$ makes no sense
 - because input and output digits are the same
- **Exists exp-inverse of K for decryption?**
 - exp-inverse is the number so that $(M^K)^{\text{exp-inv}(K)} \bmod 10 = M$
 - note: in ordinary arithmetic $\text{exp-inv}(K) = 1/K = K^{-1}$
 - Yes sometimes!

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Decryption Aspects (exp mod 10)

- **Example mod 10:**

- only numbers 1, 3, 7 and 9 are relative prime to 10
- $\phi(10) = 4$
- for $K = 3$

$K^{\phi(n)} \bmod n = 1$ is valid because of Euler

Proof : $3^4 \bmod 10 = 81 \bmod 10 = 1$

$(t \cdot K) \bmod n = 1$ because of lemma of bezout performed modulo n

- $\text{exp-inv}(K)$ can be found by using

$$(t \cdot K) \bmod n = 1 = K^{\phi(n)} \bmod n \quad \rightarrow \quad t = K^{\phi(n)-1} \bmod n$$

$$(\text{exp-inv}(3) \cdot 3) \bmod 10 = 3^4 \bmod 10 \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{exp-inv}(3)^* = 3^{4-1} \bmod 10 = 27 \bmod 10 = 7$$

- **Therefore for $K = 3$ decryption with $\text{exp-inv}(K) = 7$**

- $(C^7) \bmod 10 = M$
- examples
 - $2^3 \bmod 10 = 8$, $8^7 \bmod 10 = 2097152 \bmod 10 = 2$
 - $3^3 \bmod 10 = 7$, $7^7 \bmod 10 = 823543 \bmod 10 = 3$
 - $4^3 \bmod 10 = 4$, $4^7 \bmod 10 = 16384 \bmod 10 = 4$

Plaintext
 $M = f_D(K, M)$

Important Rule for Exponentiation

- **Looking to the table**

- columns 1 and 5 are the same, 2 and 6 are the same, 3 and 7 are the same, 4 and 8 are the same, ...

- **Theory proofs**

- $x^y \bmod n = x^{y \bmod \phi(n)} \bmod n$
 - this formula is not true for all values of n but it is true if n is prime or the product of two primes for any x with $x < n$
- in our case $n = 10$ (prime factors are $p=2$, $q=5$)
 - numbers 1, 3, 7 and 9 are relative prime to 10
 - $\phi(10) = 4 = (p-1)(q-1) = 1 \cdot 4$
 - $x^y \bmod 10 = x^{(y \bmod 4)} \bmod 10$
 - so column $i+4^{\text{th}}$ and i^{th} are the same

- **Special important case for public-key algorithm (RSA)**

- if $y \bmod \phi(n) = 1$ then for any number x

$$x^y \bmod n = x \bmod n \quad \text{or} \quad (x^y = x) \bmod n$$
- we need this trick for later for to perform RSA decryption
 - modulo function is a one-way function, in order to reverse we need a trapdoor, this trick shows the possible trapdoor

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RSA algorithm

- **generate public and private keys**
 - two large primes: p and q
 - build $n = p \cdot q$
 - $\varphi(n) = (p-1) \cdot (q-1)$
 - p and q remains secret
 - select e that is relatively prime to $\varphi(n) = (p-1) \cdot (q-1)$
 - use Basic Euclid to proof you have found such an e
 - $\gcd(\varphi(n), e) = 1$ with $1 < e < \varphi(n)$
 - therefore it must also exist a multiplicative inverse d of e
 - d such that $(e \cdot d) \bmod \varphi(n) = 1$
 - note: because of (Euler 3.)
 - $e^{\varphi(n)} \bmod n = 1$ is valid
 - from (Euler 1.): $a^{\varphi(n)} \bmod n = 1$ is valid if a and n are relatively prime to each other but in our case e is only relatively prime to $\varphi(n)$;
but if $n = p \cdot q$ (product of two primes) then (Euler 1.) is valid for all numbers x with x less n (Euler 3.) \rightarrow hence also for number e

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RSA algorithm

- **generate public and private keys (cont.)**
 - find d that is the multiplicative inverse of e
 - that is $(e \cdot d) \bmod \phi(n) = 1$
 - d can be found using the **Extended Euclid** algorithm
- **now the public key is $\langle e, n \rangle$**
- **and the private key is $\langle d, n \rangle$**
- **it is not feasible**
 - to determine the private key from the public key
 - you need to know p and q in order to build $\phi(n)$
 - but factoring is a hard problem
 - finding p and q based on n

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RSA Encryption / Decryption

- **encryption with public key**
 - divide the plaintext message (regarded as bit string) into blocks of M 's where every M falls in the interval $0 < M < n$
 - compute $C = M^e \bmod n$ (with public key)
 - decryption $M = C^d \bmod n$ (with private key)
 - privacy aspect
- **sign a message using private key**
 - compute $S = M^d \bmod n$ (with private key)
 - verification $M = S^e \bmod n$ (with public key)
 - authentication and integrity aspect

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RSA Algorithm Proof

- **Proof of correctness**

- we have chosen $(e \cdot d) \bmod \varphi(n) = 1$
 - that means that we can write $e \cdot d = 1 + k \cdot \varphi(n) = 1 + k \cdot (p-1) \cdot (q-1)$
- because of (Euler 4.) the following rule is valid

$$x^{1+k \cdot (p-1) \cdot (q-1)} \bmod n = x \text{ for all } x \text{ less than } n$$
- therefore for any x if we build $x^{ed} \bmod n$
 - then $x^{ed} \bmod n = x^{(1+k \cdot (p-1) \cdot (q-1))} \bmod n = x \bmod n$
- if we encrypt and decrypt:
 - Encrypt: $C = M^e \bmod n$
 - Decrypt: $M = C^d \bmod n$
$$C^d = (M^e)^d = (M^{ed}) = M \bmod n$$
- If we sign and verify:
 - Sign: $S = M^d \bmod n$
 - Verify: $M = S^e \bmod n$
$$S^e = (M^d)^e = M^{de} = M \bmod n$$
- q.e.d

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RSA Example

- **$p = 3, q = 11$**
- **hence $n = 33, \varphi(n) = 20$**
- **choose $e = 3$ relatively prime to 20**
 - take 3 (gcd = 1)
- **compute $d = 7$**
 - $3d = 1 \pmod{20}$
- **encryption $C = M^3 \bmod 33$**
- **decryption $M = C^7 \bmod 33$**
- **$M < 33$**
 - therefore encode every letter of the message as single block; numbers 1 ... 26 represent A ... Z

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RSA Example (cont.)						
Plaintext Sender		M^3	$M^3 \pmod{33}$	C^7	$C^7 \pmod{33}$	
S	19	6859	28	13492928512	19	S
U	21	9621	21	1801088541	21	U
Z	26	17576	20	1280000000	26	Z
A	01	1	1	1	01	A
N	14	2744	5	78125	14	N
N	14	2744	5	78125	14	N
E	05	125	26	8031810176	05	E
Ciphertext					Plaintext Receiver	

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RSA Security	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Security depends on difficulty of factoring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – find p and q from n ● If you can factor quickly you can break RSA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – factoring the public value n into p and q, building $\phi(n)$ and knowing public value e allows you to find d by performing the same computations (Euclid's algorithm) as done by the key generation ● Fortunately factoring is a hard problem <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Currently 500-bit numbers are the largest which can be factorized ● The minimum length proposed for n is 1024 bits and for p and q 512 bits each 	

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RSA Security

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- **There is a possible misuse**
 - an eavesdropper can guess what is going to be transmitted although he is not able to decrypt
 - he can encrypt all expected messages with the public key and compares the result with the ciphertext he has eavesdropped
 - especially a problem with short messages
 - if there is a match then he knows what was transmitted
- **Therefore is necessary to use special guidelines of how to format RSA message**
 - e.g. short messages should be concatenated with a large random number (e.g. 64 bits)
 - PKCS ... Public-Key Cryptography Standard

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RSA Performance Aspects

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- **Finding large prime numbers**
 - typically greater than 100^{100}
 - pseudo prime numbers (random numbers) are used and checked with Fermat's theorem
 - If n is prime then for $0 < a < n \rightarrow a^{n-1} \bmod n = 1$
 - taken from (Euler 1.): $a^{\varphi(n)} \bmod n = 1$ if a and n are relatively prime
 - if n is prime then $\varphi(n) = n-1$
 - If n is really a prime number all numbers a are relatively prime and Fermat's rule is valid
 - primality test:
 - For a number n to check pick a number $a < n$
 - If $a^{n-1} \bmod n = 1$ is not fulfilled then n is certainly not prime
 - If $a^{n-1} \bmod n = 1$ is fulfilled then n may or may not be prime (risk for failure is 1 to 10^{13} in case of randomly generated number of about hundred digits)
 - Try multiple values of number a to make the test more reliable
 - Special attention for Carmichael numbers

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RSA Performance Aspects

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- **Finding e and d**

- Euclid's algorithm
 - normal -> gcd of e and $\phi(n) = 1$
 - extended -> multiplicative-inverse

- **Exponentiation with big numbers**

- square and multiply algorithm and do modular reduction after each multiply
 - e.g. result of $123^{32} \bmod 678$
 - $123^2 = 123 \cdot 123 = 15129 = 213 \bmod 678$
 - $123^4 = 213 \cdot 213 = 45369 = 621 \bmod 678$
 - $123^8 = 621 \cdot 621 = 385641 = 537 \bmod 678$
 - $123^{16} = 537 \cdot 537 = 288369 = 219 \bmod 678$
 - $123^{32} = 219 \cdot 219 = 47961 = 501 \bmod 678$

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RSA Facts

- **RSA is special type of block cipher**

- **Variable key-length**

- usually 512 - 2048 bits
- compromise between enhanced security and efficiency
- plaintext block need to be smaller than the key length

- **Ciphertext block will be the length of the key**

- **Typically much slower to implement than conventional block ciphers like DES or IDEA**

- unsuitable for encrypting large messages
- 1000 times (HW) to 100 times (SW) slower
- mostly used to encrypt a session key for performing a secret-key algorithm

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Agenda

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- RSA
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Diffie-Hellman (DH)

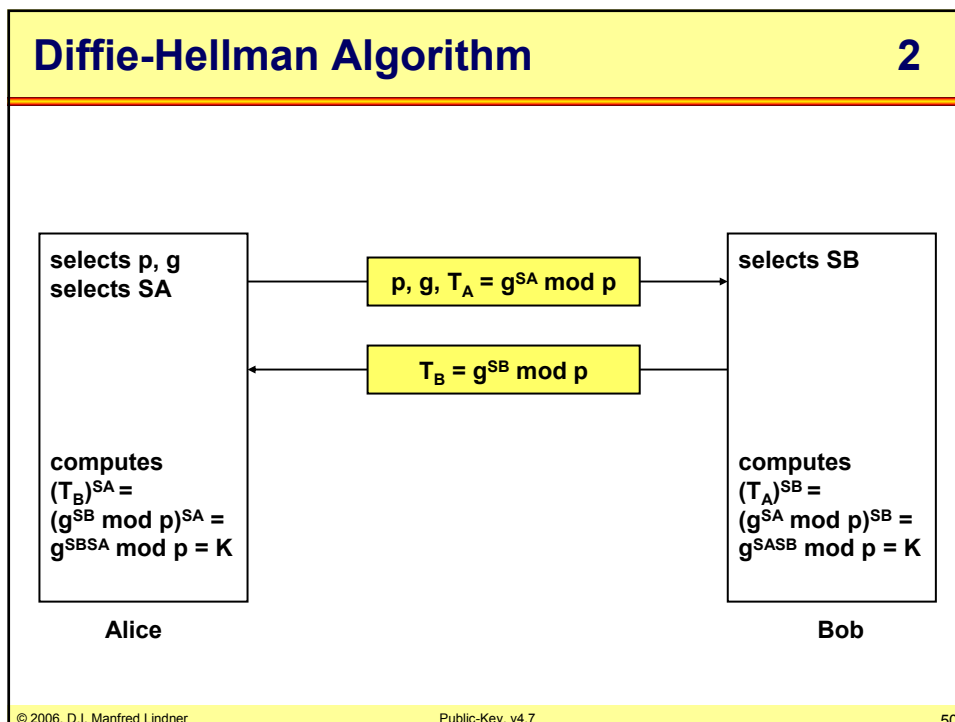
- **Oldest public-key system still in use**
- **Compared to RSA**
 - it does neither encryption nor signatures
- **Allows two individuals to agree on a shared key**
 - even though they can only exchange information in public
 - this secret is used for symmetric encryption
 - better performance than doing this with RSA
- **DH used for key establishment**

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Diffie-Hellman Algorithm
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- **Select p prime and g < p**
 - g and p might be public, strong primes are used for p
 - > more secure if (p-1)/2 is also a prime
- **Select random secret numbers SA, SB**
 - SA, SB are the private DH keys
 - Alice: SA -> $T_A = g^{SA} \text{ mod } p$
 - Bob: SB -> $T_B = g^{SB} \text{ mod } p$
- **Exchange T_A and T_B**
 - these are the public DH keys
- **Produce shared key K**
 - Alice: $K = T_B^{SA} = (g^{SB})^{SA} = g^{SBSA} = g^{SASB} \text{ mod } p$
 - Bob: $K = T_A^{SB} = (g^{SA})^{SB} = g^{SASB} = g^{SBSA} \text{ mod } p$

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Diffie-Hellman Algorithm

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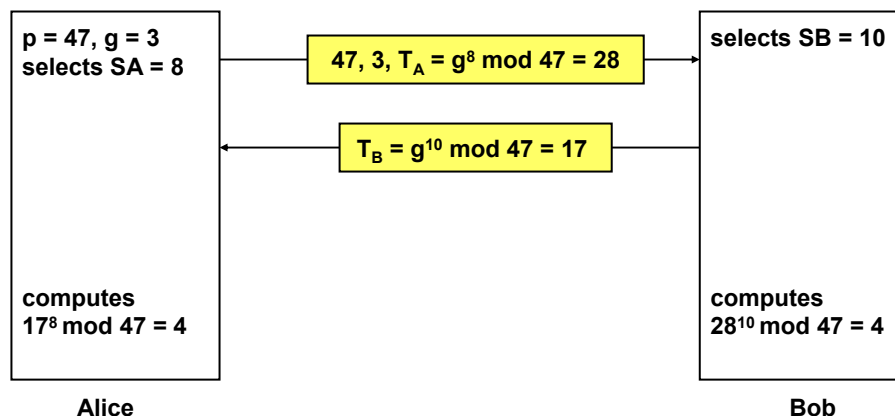
- **Nobody else can compute**
 - SA or SB and hence g^{SASB} in reasonable time
 - even though he knows $T_A = g^{SA} \text{ mod } p$
 - even though he knows $T_B = g^{SB} \text{ mod } p$
- **Based on the fact**
 - that discrete logarithm modulo a very large prime number is hard to compute
 - no one has found any efficient method to do this

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Diffie-Hellman Example



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Man-in-the-middle Attack

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- **Problem:**

- when T_A and T_B are sent over a public network and an active intruder is present
- Alice will establish a secret key with whoever transmitted T_B but it might not be Bob
- Bob will establish a secret key with whoever transmitted T_A but it might not be Alice

- **There is no authentication (!) in the key exchange process of DH**

- vulnerable against man-in-the-middle attack
- also known as bucket brigade attack

- **DH is only secure against passive attacks**

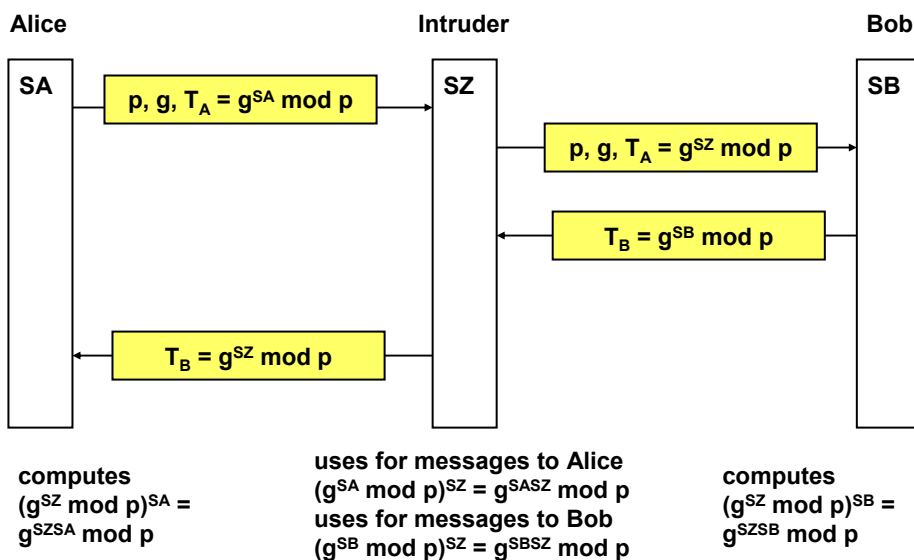
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Man-in-the-middle Attack

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- **Man-in-the-middle Attack**

- Intruder intercepts communication, impersonates in both directions
- intruder handles a different secret key with every party

- **Solutions to overcome this attack**

- published public numbers
 - e.g. in the newspapers or PKI techniques
 - not possible to make active attacks, because the advertised values cannot be changed or cannot at least be easily changed
- authentication via out-band channel
 - T_A and T_B are transmitted by voice communication over telephone network
 - authentication based on voice recognition of other party

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Man-in-the-middle Attack

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- **Solutions to overcome this attack (cont.)**

- authentication via encryption
 - Alice and Bob know some sort of secret e.g. each other's public-key
 - encrypt DH value with other side's public-key
 - receiver can decrypt the message by using its own corresponding private-key

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