
IoT Security and Privacy

Introduction to RSA

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The Public Key Concept

The RSA Algorithm

Knapsack problems

Discrete Logarithms by ElGamal

Error Correcting Codes by McEliece

Elliptic Curve Cryptosystem by Diffie-Hellman

The Concept and Criteria

$E_k(D_k(m))=m$ and $D_k(E_k(m))=m$ for every message m in M , the set of possible messages, every key k in K , the set of possible keys

For every m and every k , then values of $E_k(m)$ and $D_k(m)$ are easy to compute

For every k , if someone knows only the function E_k , it is computationally infeasible to find an algorithm to compute D_k

Given k , it is easy to find the functions E_k and D_k

RSA (Rivest, Shamir, Adleman)

Based on the idea that factorization of integers into their prime factors is hard.

★ $n=p \times q$, where p and q are distinct primes

Proposed by Rivest, Shamir, and Adleman in 1977 and a paper was published in The Communications of ACM in 1978

A public-key cryptosystem

Hard Problems

Some problems are hard to solve.

- No polynomial time algorithm is known.
- e.g., NP-hard problems such as machine scheduling, bin packing, 0/1 knapsack, finding prime factors of an n-digit number.

Is this necessarily bad?

No! Data encryption relies on difficult to solve problems.

Public Key Cryptosystem (RSA)

A public encryption method that relies on a public encryption algorithm, a public decryption algorithm, and a public encryption key.

Using the public key and encryption algorithm, everyone can encrypt a message.

The decryption key is known only to authorized parties.

RSA Algorithm

Bob chooses two primes p, q and compute $n=pq$

Bob chooses e with

$$\gcd(e, (p-1)(q-1))=$$

$$\gcd(e, \psi(n))=1$$

Bob solves $de \equiv 1 \pmod{\psi(n)}$

Bob makes (e, n) public and (p, q, d) secret

Alice encrypts M as $C \equiv M^e \pmod{n}$

Bob decrypts by computing $M \equiv C^d \pmod{n}$

Proof for the RSA Algorithm

$$C^d \equiv (M^e)^d \equiv M^{ed} \equiv M^{1+k\phi(n)} \equiv M \pmod{n} \text{ by Euler's theorem}$$

$$p=885320963, \quad q=238855417,$$

$$n=p \times q=211463707796206571$$

$$\text{Let } e= \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, \quad \therefore d= \underline{\hspace{10cm}}$$

$$M=\text{"cat"}=30120, \quad C= \underline{\hspace{10cm}}$$

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Let $e=9007, \therefore d=116402471153538991$

$M=\text{"cat"}=30120, C=113535859035722866$

Another Example

$$n=127 \times 193=24511, \phi(n)=24192$$

$$e=1307, d=10643$$

Encrypt “box” with $M=21524$, then

$$C=?$$

Encrypt the following message

Formosa means a beautiful island

More RSA Examples

$n=11413=101 \times 113$, so $p=101$, $q=113$

$$\psi(n)=(p-1) \times (q-1)=100 \times 112=11200$$

Choose $e=7467$, then $\gcd(e, \psi(n))=1$

Solve $de \equiv 1 \pmod{\psi(n)}$ to get $d=3$

If the ciphertext $C=5859$, then the plaintext

$$M \equiv C^d \equiv 5859^3 \equiv 1415 \pmod{11413}$$

Fast Computation of $x^d \pmod n$

$$123^5 \pmod{511}$$

$$123^5 \equiv 28153056843 \pmod{511}$$

$$123^2 \equiv 310 \pmod{511}$$

$$123^4 \equiv 32 \pmod{511}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 123^5 &\equiv 123^{101b} \equiv 123^4 \times 123 \\ &\equiv 359 \pmod{511} \end{aligned}$$

Two Claims

Claim 1: Suppose $n=pq$ is the product of two distinct primes. If we know n and $\phi(n)$, then we can quickly find p and q

Hint: $n - \phi(n)+1=pq-(p-1)(q-1)+1=p+q$, then

p, q are solutions of $x^2 - (n - \phi(n)+1)x+n=0$

Claim 2: If we know d and e , then we can probably factor n (The method of universal components could be applied)

Primality Testing

Trivial Division to test if N is a prime

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for (p=2; p<N1/2; p++) {  
    e=0;  
    if (N%p ==0 ) {  
        while (N%p ==0) { e++; N/=p;}  
        printf("factor %d, power %d\n",p,e);  
    }  
}
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The Miller-Rabin Primality Test

Let $n > 1$ be odd with $n-1=2^k m$ with an odd m .

Choose a random integer a , $1 < a < n-1$.

Compute $b_0 \equiv a^m \pmod{n}$, if $b_0 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{n}$, then stop and n is probably prime, otherwise let $b_1 \equiv (b_0)^2 \pmod{n}$.

If $b_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$, then n is composite and $\gcd(b_0-1, n)$ is a nontrivial factor of n else if $b_1 \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$, stop and n is probably prime, otherwise let $b_2 \equiv (b_1)^2 \pmod{n}$.

If $b_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$, then n is composite, else if $b_2 \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$, stop and n is probably prime. Continue in this way until stopping or reaching b_{k-1} .

If $b_{k-1} \not\equiv -1$, then n is composite.