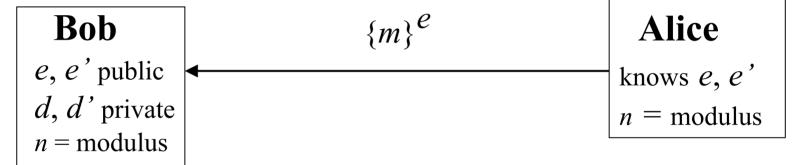
# Introduction to Public-Key Cryptosystems:

- Technical Underpinnings: RSA and Primality Testing
- Modes of Encryption for RSA
- Digital Signatures for RSA

### RSA Block Encryption / Decryption and Signing

- Each principal has *private* and *public* values
  - for encryption/decryption
  - for signing



• **Bob** decrypts block  $\{m\}^e$  using d:

$$\{\{m\}^e\}^d = m$$

 $\underline{m}, \{m\}^{d'}$ 

• Alice encrypts block *m* using *e*:  $\{m\}^e$ 

• Alice verifies  $\{m\}^{d'}$  using e':

$$\left\{ \{m\}^{d'}\right\} e' = m$$

• **Bob** signs block m using d':

$$\{m\}^{d}$$

• all operations are mod n,  $0 \le m \le n$ 

# I. Technical Underpinnings

- Common Divisor; Greatest Common Divisor
- Relative Primes
- Modular Arithmetic
- Euclid's Algorithm
- $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{n}}^*$
- Euler's Totient Function
- Euler's Theorem
- Generalization of Euler's Theorem
- RSA Block Encryption/Decryption and Signing: choosing *e* and *d*
- Choosing *p* and *q*: Primality Tests
- Miller-Rabin Test

### **Common Divisor**

**Definition**: *a divides b*, or  $a \mid b$ , for  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2 \dots \}$ , iff there exists  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , such that  $a \cdot k = b$ 

#### Properties:

- Linearity: if  $a \mid b$  and  $a \mid c$ , then  $a \mid (x \cdot b + y \cdot c)$  for any  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$
- If  $d \mid n, n \neq 0$ , then  $|d| \leq |n|$

**Definition**: c is a *common divisor* of a and b if  $c \mid a$  and  $c \mid b$ 

**Theorem:** For any  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there is *common divisor d* that can be expressed  $d = x \cdot a + y \cdot b$ , for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Furthermore, any other common divisor of a and b also divides d.

#### **Proof [Common Divisor Theorem]:**

Choose  $a, b \ge 0$  and denote n = a + b. Use induction on n Base Case: n = 0 then a = 0 and b = 0 choose d = 0*Hypothesis:* assume the assertion holds for 0...n-1*Induction Step:* From hypothesis, we show it holds for n n = a + b- if b = 0, then n = a, choose  $d = 1 \cdot a + 0 \cdot b = a$ - if  $b \ge 0$ , and b < aConsider (a - b) and bn' = (a - b) + b = a < n, so the hypothesis must hold for n', (a - b) and b; i.e., there is a d s.t.  $d \mid (a - b)$  and  $d \mid b$  and  $d = x \cdot b + y \cdot (a - b)$ 

#### **Proof** [Common Divisor Theorem] (ctnd.)

We now show that this same d also divides a:

from linearity  $d \mid [b + (a - b)] = d \mid a$ d can be expressed as  $d = (x - y) \cdot b + y \cdot a$ 

This concludes the induction step.

Now what is left to show is that *any other* divisor of a and b also divides d. Suppose c is such a divisor:  $c \mid a, c \mid b$ .

We can write  $k \cdot c = a$  and  $e \cdot c = b$ 

$$d = (x - y) \cdot b + y \cdot a = (x - y) \cdot e \cdot c + y \cdot k \cdot c = (e \cdot x - e \cdot y + y \cdot k) \cdot c$$
  
Hence,  $c \mid d$ .

This completes the proof of the theorem for  $a, b \ge 0$ .

For the case when a and b are not only positive the proof is analogous applying the above to |a| and |b|.

### **Greatest Common Divisor**

- Claim: There exists a unique  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ , for any given  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , such that: 1)  $d \ge 0$ 
  - 2)  $d \mid a$  and  $d \mid b$
  - 3) any  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$  for which  $c \mid a$  and  $c \mid b$  it is true that  $c \mid d$ .
- **Proof**: from the Common Divisor Theorem, there is *d* with properties 2) and 3). All that is left to prove is 1) and uniqueness. The proof of 1) is easy since if 2) and 3) hold for particular *d*, than they also hold for (-*d*).

*Uniqueness*: assume that there is some other d for which 1), 2) and 3) hold. Then, from 3), we must have  $d \mid d' => d \leq d'$  and

 $d' \mid d \Rightarrow d' \leq d$ , so we must have d = d'.

**Definition**: This d is called *greatest common divisor* of a and b, or gcd(a, b)

### **Relative Primes**

**Definition:**  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  and gcd(a, b) = 1, then a and b are called relatively prime.

**Property:** If  $a \mid (b \cdot c)$  and d = gcd(a, b) = 1, then  $a \mid c$ .

**Proof:** Let  $gcd(a, b) = 1 = x \cdot a + y \cdot b$  and multiply both sides by c;  $c = c \cdot x \cdot a + c \cdot b \cdot y$ . However,

 $a \mid (c \cdot x \cdot a)$  apparently, and

 $a \mid y \cdot (b \cdot c)$  by hypothesis.

Then, from linearity,  $a \mid (c \cdot x \cdot a + c \cdot b \cdot y) = a \mid c$ 

### **Modular Arithmetic**

In what follows we assume m > 0

**Definition:** we say that a is equal to b mod m if  $m \mid (a - b)$  and we write  $a = b \mod m$ 

**Example:**  $18 = 4 \mod 7 = 25 \mod 7$ 

**Note:** There are only m different integers mod m.

A set of m different integers mod m is  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots m-1\}$ 

#### **Properties:**

- 1.  $a = a \mod m$
- $2. \quad a = b \bmod m => b = a \bmod m$
- 3.  $a \mod m = b \mod m => a = b \mod m$
- 4.  $a = b \mod m$  and  $b = c \mod m \Rightarrow a = c \mod m$

Claim: if  $a = b \mod m$  and  $c = d \mod m$ , then for any  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have

i) 
$$(a \cdot x + c \cdot y) = (b \cdot x + d \cdot y) \mod m$$

ii)  $a \cdot c = b \cdot d \mod m$ 

#### **Proof:**

i)  $m \mid (a - b)$  and  $m \mid (c - d)$  by definition. Then,  $m \mid x \cdot (a - b)$  and  $m \mid y \cdot (c - d)$ . From linearity follows that  $m \mid [x \cdot (a - b) + y \cdot (c - d)] = m \mid [(x \cdot a + y \cdot c) - (x \cdot b + y \cdot d)]$  which by the definition of mod above gives the desired result.

ii)  $m \mid (a - b)$  and  $m \mid (c - d)$  by definition. Then  $m \mid c \cdot (a - b)$  and  $m \mid b \cdot (c - d)$ 

From linearity  $m \mid (a \cdot c - b \cdot c + b \cdot c - b \cdot d) = m \mid (a \cdot c - b \cdot d)$  which by the definition of mod above gives the desired result.

#### Theorem (Cancellation Law):

If  $a \cdot c = b \cdot c \mod m$  and  $d = \gcd(c, m)$ , then  $a = b \mod (m / d)$ 

**Proof:**  $m \mid (a \cdot c - b \cdot c) => m \mid c \cdot (a - b)$ . Then there is a k, s.t.  $k \cdot m = c \cdot (a - b)$ , and since gcd(c, m) = d, we can divide by  $d \mid k \cdot (m / d) \mid (c / d) \cdot (a - b)$ . This means that  $(m / d) \mid (c / d) \cdot (a - b)$ .

But gcd(m/d, c/d) = 1, so we can apply the Relative Primes property and obtain that  $(m/d) \mid (a - b)$ , which is the desired result by the definition of mod.

# **Euclid's Algorithm**

- Algorithm for finding the gcd(a, b)
- Fact: for a, b > 0 there is a *unique* representation  $a = q \cdot b + r$  with  $q, r \ge 0$ , where r is called a *remainder*
- Claim: gcd(a, b) = gcd(b, r)

**Proof:** Write  $a = q \cdot b + r$  or  $r = a \cdot b \cdot q$ . Let  $d = \gcd(a, b)$ . Hence,  $d \mid a$  and  $d \mid b$  and thus  $d \mid r$ , d is a divisor of r. We need to show that d is also the  $\gcd$  of r and b.

 $d = a \cdot x + b \cdot y = x \cdot (q \cdot b + r) + b \cdot y = (y + q \cdot x) \cdot b + x \cdot r$ so d is the gcd of r and b.

# Euclid's Algorithm (cont.)

• Euclid's Algorithm – find gcd(a, b)

Use: 
$$gcd(a, b) = gcd(b, r_1) = gcd(r_1, r_2) = ...$$
  
 $a = q_1 \cdot b + r_1$   $r_1 = a \cdot q_1 \cdot b$   
 $b = q_2 \cdot r_1 + r_2$   $r_2 = b \cdot q_2 \cdot r_1 = -q_2 \cdot a + (q_1 \cdot q_2 + 1) \cdot b$   
 $r_1 = q_3 \cdot r_2 + r_3$  ...  
 $r_n = q_{n+2} \cdot r_{n-1} + 0$   $r_{n-1} = (...) \cdot a + (...) \cdot b$ 

$$r_{n-1} = gcd(a, b)$$

these allow us to find multiplicative inverses. If some  $r_i = 1$ , then  $1 = a \cdot a + \beta \cdot b$ ; i.e., a and b are relatively prime. Then  $\beta \cdot b = 1 \mod a$ , and  $\beta$  is the inverse of  $b \mod a$  and  $\alpha$  is the inverse of  $a \mod b$ .

# Euclid's Algorithm (cont.)

*Example:* 
$$a = 5, b = 7$$

gcd:

multiplicative inverses

$$7 = 1 \cdot 5 + 2$$

$$5 = 2 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$2 = 2 \cdot 1 + 0$$

$$2 = 7 - 1 \cdot 5$$

$$1 = 5 - 2 \cdot 2 = 5 - 2 \cdot (7 - 5)$$

$$= -2 \cdot 7 + 3 \cdot 5$$

$$gcd(5, 7) = 1$$

The inverse of 5 mod 7 is 3:

$$3 \cdot 5 = 15 = 1 \mod 7$$

The inverse of 7 mod 5 is -2,

$$-2 = 3 \mod 5$$

$$7 \cdot 3 = 21 = 1 \mod 5$$

# $\mathbf{Z}^*_{\mathbf{n}}$

**Definition:** Let  $\mathbf{Z_n}$  denote the set of integers mod n, namely  $\mathbf{Z_n} = \{0, 1, 2 \dots n-1\}$ 

**Definition:**  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$  is the set of integers in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  that are relatively prime to n.

Example:  $\mathbf{Z_8} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$  and  $\mathbf{Z_8}^* = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$  $\mathbf{Z_5} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $\mathbf{Z_5}^* = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ 

- Claim:  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbf{n}}^*$  is closed under multiplication mod n. That is, if  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbf{n}}^*$ , then  $a \cdot b \in \mathbb{Z}_{\mathbf{n}}^*$ .
- **Proof:** a and n are relatively prime so gcd(a, n) = 1. Hence there exist  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $1 = x \cdot a + y \cdot n$ , similarly  $1 = z \cdot b + y \cdot n$ . Multiply these equations and obtain

$$1 = (x \cdot z) \cdot a \cdot b + (v \cdot x \cdot a + y \cdot z \cdot b + v \cdot y \cdot n) \cdot n \implies$$
$$gcd(a \cdot b, n) = 1 \implies a \cdot b \in \mathbf{Z_n}^*$$

- **Theorem:** Multiplication of  $\mathbf{Z_n}^*$  by some  $a \in \mathbf{Z_n}^*$  merely rearranges the elements of  $\mathbf{Z_n}^*$
- **Proof:** Denote  $\mathbf{Z_n}^* = \{z_1, z_2, ..., z_k\}$ . Form the previous Claim we know that all  $a \cdot z_i \in \mathbf{Z_n}^*$ . Take  $z_i, z_j \in \mathbf{Z_n}^*$  and  $z_i \neq z_j$ . Suppose  $a \cdot z_i = a \cdot z_j \mod n$  but from the Cancellation Law we obtain  $z_i = z_j \mod n$ , which contradicts the assumption, so we must have  $a \cdot z_i \neq a \cdot z_j \mod n$ .

### **Euler's Totient Function**

**Definition:** Euler's totient function  $\varphi(n)$  is equal to the positive integers that are relatively prime to n and less than n.

$$\mathbf{Z_8}^* = \{ 1, 3, 5, 7 \}$$
  $\varphi(8) = 4$   $\mathbf{Z_7}^* = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 \}$   $\varphi(7) = 6$ 

Fact: let p be prime then  $\varphi(p) = p - 1$ 

# Euler's Totient Function for $n = p \cdot q$

$$p, q$$
 - prime,  $n = p \cdot q$   
 $Z_{pq} = \{ 0, 1, 2 \dots ((p \cdot q) - 1) \}, |Z_{pq}| = p \cdot q$   
Let's show the numbers in  $Z_{pq}$  not relatively prime to  $p \cdot q$ :  
 $p, 2p \dots (q - 1) \cdot p \rightarrow (q - 1)$  numbers  $q, 2q \dots (p - 1) \cdot q \rightarrow (p - 1)$  numbers  $0 \rightarrow 1$  number  $\phi(p \cdot q) = p \cdot q - 1 - (q - 1) - (p - 1)$   
 $= (p - 1) \cdot (q - 1)$   
 $= \phi(p) \cdot \phi(q)$ 

### **Euler's Theorem**

**Euler's Theorem:** for all  $a \in \mathbf{Z_n}^*$ ,  $a^{\varphi(n)} = 1 \mod n$  or, for all  $a \in \mathbf{Z_n}^*$  and  $k \ge 0$ ,  $a^{k \cdot \varphi(n) + 1} = a \mod n$ 

**Proof:** Multiply together all elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbf{n}}^*$ :  $x = z_1 \cdot z_2 \dots z_{\mathcal{O}(n)}$ . Now multiply all elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$  by a and multiply them together  $(a \cdot z_1) \cdot (a \cdot z_2) \dots (a \cdot z_{\varphi(n)})$ . We showed that multiplication of  $\mathbf{Z_n}^*$ by one of its elements merely rearranges the elements in  $\mathbf{Z_n}^* => (a \cdot z_1) \cdot (a \cdot z_2) \dots (a \cdot z_{\varphi(n)}) = x = a^{\varphi(n)} \cdot z_1 \cdot z_2 \dots z_{\varphi(n)} = x \cdot a^{\varphi(n)}$ But  $\mathbf{Z_n}^*$  is closed under multiplication, so  $x \in \mathbf{Z_n}^*$ . Then x must be relatively prime to n so x has an inverse mod n. Hence, we can multiply both sides of the equation  $x = x \cdot a^{\varphi(n)}$  by  $x^{-1}$  and obtain  $a^{\varphi(n)} = 1 \mod n$ . Using the above result, it is easy to show that

 $a^k \cdot \varphi^{(n)+1} = a^{k} \cdot \varphi^{(n)} \cdot a = 1^k \cdot a = a \mod n$ 

### Generalization of Euler's Theorem

**Theorem:** If p, q are primes,  $n = p \cdot q$ , for all  $a \in \mathbf{Z_n}$ ,  $a^{k \cdot \varphi(n)+1} = a \mod n$ .

#### **Proof**:

- i) If gcd(a, n) = 1, then this follows from (variant of) Euler's Thm.
- ii) If  $gcd(a, n) \neq 1$ , then  $a, 0 < a < n = p \cdot q$ , must be a multiple of p or q.

Suppose, wlog,  $a = c \cdot p$ , where c is a positive integer. In this case,  $gcd(a, q) = gcd(c \cdot p, q) \neq 1$ . [Otherwise, since q is prime, c would have to be a multiple of q, which would contradict our hypothesis since  $a = r \cdot q \cdot p \geq n$ , where r is a positive integer.]

# Proof (cont.)

Since  $gcd(a, q) \neq 1$ , by Euler's Theorem, we have  $a^{\varphi(q)} = 1 \mod q$ , and hence by definition of mod. arithm.,  $[a^{\varphi(q)}]^{\varphi(p)} = 1 \mod q$ , and  $a^{\varphi(n)} = 1 \mod q$ , which means that  $q \mid a^{\varphi(n)} - 1$ , or, for some positive integer k,  $a^{\varphi(n)} = 1 + k \cdot q$ .

Multiplying both sides of  $a^{\varphi(n)} = 1 + k \cdot q$  by  $a = c \cdot p$ , we obtain  $a^{\varphi(n)+1} = a + k \cdot c \cdot p \cdot q = a + k \cdot c \cdot n = a \mod n$ , and thus  $a^{\varphi(n)} = 1 \mod n$ .

By similar reasoning, we obtain the same result in the case when m is a multiple of q.

But,

$$[a^{\varphi(n)}]^k = 1^k \mod n$$
, and  $a^k \cdot \varphi^{(n)+1} = a^k \cdot (p-1)(q-1)+1 = a \mod n$ .

# Proof (cont.)

#### **Alternate Proof:**

- i) If *a* is relatively prime to *n* then trivial by variation of Euler's Theorem.
- ii) If a is not relatively prime to n, so it must be a multiple of p or q. Let  $a = k \cdot q$  wlog.

$$a = k \cdot q = 0 \mod q$$
, so  $a^{k \cdot \varphi(n) + 1} = 0^{k \cdot \varphi(n) + 1} \mod q = a \mod q = a_1$   
 $a = a \mod p$ , since  $\gcd(p, q) = 1$ 

From Euler's Theorem  $a^{\varphi(p)} = 1 \mod p$ , then

$$a^{k \cdot \varphi(n)+1} = a^{k \cdot \varphi(p) \cdot \varphi(q)+1} = a \cdot 1^{k \cdot \varphi(q)} = a \mod p = a_2.$$

From *Chinese Remainder Thm.*,  $a^{k \cdot \varphi(n)+1} = a_2 \cdot u \cdot p + a_1 v \cdot q \mod p \cdot q$ , where  $u \cdot p + v \cdot q = 1$ . Substituting the values for  $a^{k \cdot \varphi(n)+1} \mod p$  and  $a^{k \cdot \varphi(n)+1} \mod q$  we get

$$a^{k \cdot \varphi(n)+1} = a \cdot u \cdot p + a \cdot v \cdot q = a \cdot (u \cdot p + v \cdot q) = a \mod p \cdot q$$

### Chinese Remainder Theorem

**Theorem:** Let  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$  and  $z_N$  be pairwise relatively prime numbers. If we know that a number is equal to  $x_1 \mod z_1$ ,  $x_2 \mod z_2 \ldots x_N \mod z_N$ , then we can find what the number is  $x \mod z_1 \cdot z_2 \ldots z_N$ 

**Proof:** N = 2, so  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_1 \bmod z_1$  and  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_2 \bmod z_2$  where  $gcd(z_1, z_2) = 1$ . Also there exist integers  $\mathbf{k}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{k}_2$  s.t.  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{z}_1 \mathbf{k}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{z}_2 \mathbf{k}_2$ . Since  $gcd(z_1, z_2) = 1$  there are a and b s.t.  $a \cdot z_1 + b \cdot z_2 = 1$ . Multiply both sides by x  $x = x \cdot a \cdot z_1 + x \cdot b \cdot z_2 = (x_2 + \mathbf{k}_2 \cdot z_2) \cdot a \cdot z_1 + (x_1 + \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot z_1) \cdot b \cdot z_2 = x_2 \cdot z_1 \cdot a + x_1 \cdot z_2 \cdot b + z_1 \cdot z_2 \cdot (a \cdot \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot b)$  Take  $mod(z_1 \cdot z_2)$  we obtain:

$$x = (x_2 \cdot z_1 \cdot a + x_1 \cdot z_2 \cdot b) \bmod (z_1 \cdot z_2)$$

# Chinese Remainder Thm. (cont.)

Example: 
$$z_1 = 5$$
,  $z_2 = 8$ ,  
 $1 = 2 \cdot z_2 - 3 \cdot z_1 \implies b = 2$ ,  $a = -3$   
Number = 3 mod 5 = 2 mod 8  
 $x_1 = 3$  and  $x_2 = 2$ ,  $z_1 \cdot z_2 = 40$   
 $(x_2 \cdot z_1 \cdot a + x_1 \cdot z_2 \cdot b) = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot (-3) + 3 \cdot 8 \cdot 2 = 18 \text{ mod } 40$   
To go the opposite way:  
 $18 = 3 \text{ mod } 5$   
 $18 = 2 \text{ mod } 8$ 

# RSA Block Encryption and Signatures

- 1. Choose 2 large primes *p* and *q*
- 2. Compute  $n = p \cdot q$  and  $\varphi(n) = (p 1) \cdot (q 1)$
- 3. Choose *public e* such that  $gcd(e, \varphi(n)) = 1$ , relatively prime
- 4. Find secret d s.t.  $e \cdot d = 1 \mod \varphi(n)$  (by Euclid's Algorithm)
- 5. To *encrypt* plaintext block m < n, compute the ciphertext  $CT = m^e \mod n$
- 6. To *decrypt* ciphertext block CT and obtain the plaintext PT  $PT = CT^d \mod n = m^{ed} \mod n,$ 
  - $e \cdot d = 1 \mod \varphi(n) \implies e \cdot d = 1 + k \cdot \varphi(n)$
  - $PT = m^{k \cdot \varphi(n)+1} \mod n = m \mod n$  from Generalized Euler's Theorem.
- 1. To sign plaintext block m < n, compute the signature  $S = m^d \mod n$
- 2. To *verify* that block *S* is block *m*'s signature, compute  $S^e \mod n = m^{ed} \mod n = m^{k \cdot \varphi(n)+1} \mod n = m \mod n = m$ .

# Choosing p and q

#### **Preliminary Remarks**

1. Fermat's Theorem (p = prime, 0 < a < p) ==>  $a^{p-1} = 1 \mod p$  <=/=

holds only in one direction.

Example: p = 100 digits,  $a^{p-1} = 1 \text{ mod } p$ , Pr [ p = /= prime ]  $\oplus$  10<sup>-13</sup>

2. For same p try multiple values of a to lower Pr [p =/p] prime  $a_1^{p-1} = 1 \mod p$ ,  $a_2^{p-1} = 1 \mod p$ , ...,  $a_n^{p-1} = 1 \mod p$ 

Problem (Carmichael Numbers): there exist values p such that p = /= prime and  $a^{p-1} = 1 \mod p$  for all choices of 0 < a < p.

# **Primality tests**

Recall *Fermat's theorem*: if p is prime, then  $a^{p-1} = 1 \mod p$ . Hence, if p = odd, prime (i.e., not 2), then p - 1 = even, and we can write  $(a^{(p-1)/2})^2 = 1 \mod p$  or  $x^2 = 1 \mod p$ , where  $x = a^{(p-1)/2}$ .

**Theorem:** If p = odd prime, then  $x^2 = 1 \mod p$  has only two solutions, namely x = 1 and x = -1.

**Proof:**  $x^2 = 1 \mod p \implies x^2 - 1 = 0 \mod p$   $\Rightarrow (x - 1) \cdot (x + 1) = 0 \mod p$   $\Rightarrow p \mid (x - 1) \text{ or } p \mid (x + 1) \text{ or } p \text{ divides both.}$ Suppose p divides both. Hence,  $(x + 1) = k \cdot p$  and  $(x - 1) = j \cdot p$ 

# Proof of Theorem (ctnd.)

Subtract these two expressions and get:

$$(x+1) - (x-1) = 2 = (k-j) \cdot p$$
, which holds only for  $p = 2$ .  
But since  $p = \text{odd}$ , prime (i.e., different from 2) we reach a contradiction. Hence,  $p \mid (x-1)$  or  $p \mid (x+1)$  but *not* both. Suppose  $p \mid (x-1)$ . Then  $(x-1) = j \cdot p$  for some  $j$ .  
Thus,  $x = 1 \mod p$  and similarly for  $x = -1 \mod p$ .

Stating the Theorem in the opposite direction:

**Theorem:** If there exists a solution to  $x^2 = 1 \mod p$  other than  $\pm 1$ , then p is *not* prime.

# Examples

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• x^2 = 1 \mod 7

1^2 = 1 \mod 7

6^2 = 36 \mod 7 = 1 \mod 7; 6 = -1 \mod 7

Solutions = 1, -1
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• 
$$x^2 = 1 \mod 8$$
  
 $1^2 = 1 \mod 8$ ;  
 $3^2 = 9 \mod 8 = 1 \mod 8$ ;  $3 = -5 \mod 8$   
 $5^2 = 25 \mod 8 = 1 \mod 8$ ;  $5 = -3 \mod 8$   
 $7^2 = 49 \mod 8 = 1 \mod 8$ ;  $7 = -1 \mod 8$   
Solutions: 1, -1, 3, -3

### Miller-Rabin Test

#### Part 1: Quick reject

Fermat's Theorem:  $a^{p-1} = 1 \mod p$ , or  $a^{p-1} \mod p = 1$ , if p = prime. Hence, compute  $d = a^{p-1} \mod p$ . If  $d \neq 1$ , then  $d \neq \text{prime}$ .

#### **Part 2:**

Otherwise, if d = 1, there is a possibility that p = prime. Now, we use the result of previous Theorem. That is, at every step of computation of  $a^{p-1} \mod p$  check  $x^2 = 1 \mod p$  for roots other than  $\pm 1$ . When computing  $d = a^{p-1} \mod p$ , represent  $p - 1 = c \cdot 2^b$ , where c is odd and  $b \neq 0$ ,

$$a^{p-1} \operatorname{mod} p = [\dots [a^c \operatorname{mod} p]^2 \dots]^2$$

$$b \text{ times}$$

# Miller-Rabin Test (cont.)

If early in squaring  $a^c \mod p \neq 1$ , then one squaring took a number  $\neq 1$  and squared it to produce 1. However, that number is a square root of 1 mod p. Hence, by the Theorem above  $p \neq p$  rime.

[ If test shows  $p \neq$  prime, then more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  of all different values of a will produce p to be composite.]

If the test for p using a single a shows p to be prime, repeat test for other distinct values of a.

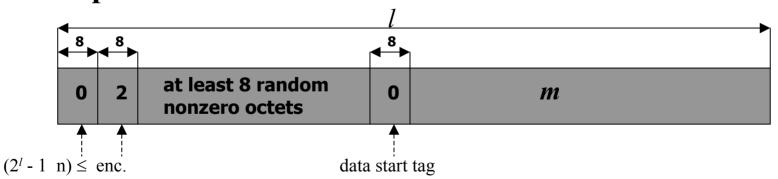
- choose s random values of a and repeat the test Pr [p = prime] > 1 - 2<sup>-s</sup> or Pr [p = /= prime]  $\leq 2^{-s}$ .

# II. Modes of Encryption for RSA

#### 1. Only short messages should be encrypted

- short message of m bits s.t.  $2^{l}$   $1 \le n$  (RSA modulus)
- performance is one/two orders of magnitude lower than symmetric enc.
- encrypt (probabilistically) long message with symmetric key and encrypt symmetric key (and per message random value) with RSA

#### 2. Example 1: RSA PKCS #1

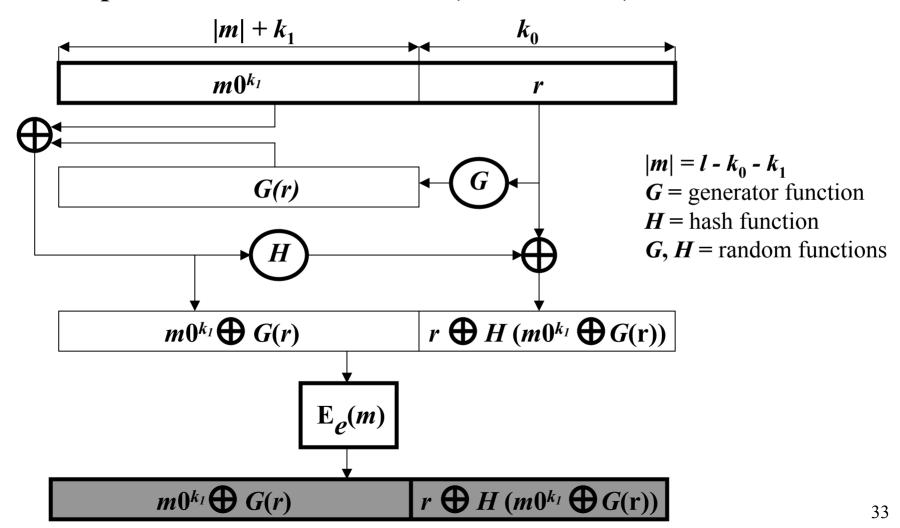


Attack against SSL implementation of PKCS #1based on server (decryption oracle)

- checks the first two bytes and returns errors if malformed
- checks data length and returns errors
- modify ciphertext of encrypted key and in about 2<sup>20</sup> tries get valid key

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#### 3. Example 2: PKCS #1 version 2 (OAEP-RSA)



## III. Digital Signature for RSA

#### Example: RSA PKCS #1 Signature for message m

