

# Exercise 3 Cheat Sheet – RSA

## Recognition

- (a) Given  $p, q, e, c \rightarrow$  RSA decryption.
- (b) Given  $n, e, d \rightarrow$  Factor  $n$  using  $ed - 1$ .
- (c) Count bases causing the factorization algorithm to stop at a given step.

## Key Formulas

$$n = pq, \quad \phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1),$$

$$ed \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)},$$

$$m = c^d \pmod{n},$$

$$k = ed - 1 = 2^s t, \quad t \text{ odd.}$$

$ed - 1$ is a multiple of $\phi(n)$
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## A. RSA Decryption

$$\phi = (p-1)(q-1)$$

$$d = e^{-1} \pmod{\phi}$$

$$m = c^d \pmod{n}$$

### GAP

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phi := (p-1)*(q-1);  
InverseMod(e, phi);  
PowerMod(c, d, n);
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## B. Factoring $n$ from $d$

1. Compute

$$k = ed - 1 = 2^s t.$$

2. Compute

$$x = a^t \pmod{n}.$$

If  $x = \pm 1$ , the base fails.

3. Repeat

$$y = x^2 \pmod{n}.$$

If  $y \neq 1$ , set  $x \leftarrow y$ .

Stop when

$$y = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad x \neq \pm 1.$$

4. Recover

$$p = \gcd(x - 1, n), \quad q = \gcd(x + 1, n)$$

Verify  $pq = n$ .

### GAP

PowerMod(a, t, n);

PowerMod(x, 2, n);

Gcd(x-1, n);

Gcd(x+1, n);

FactorsInt(n);

## C. Count Bases Found at Step $t$

Let

$$k = 2^s m,$$

and define

$$E = 2^t m.$$

Suppose the desired factor is  $p$  and the other prime is  $q$ .

Modulo  $p$ :

$$x^{2E} \equiv 1, \quad x^E \not\equiv 1.$$

$$N_p = \gcd(2E, p - 1) - \gcd(E, p - 1)$$

Modulo  $q$ :

$$x^{2E} \not\equiv 1.$$

$$N_q = (q - 1) - \gcd(2E, q - 1)$$

By CRT,

$$N = N_p N_q.$$

Useful fact:

$$\#\{x : x^r \equiv 1 \pmod{p}\} = \gcd(r, p - 1)$$

### GAP

$\text{Gcd}(2 * E, p - 1);$   
 $\text{Gcd}(E, p - 1);$

$\text{Gcd}(2 * E, q - 1);$

$\text{ChineseRem}([a, b], [p, q]);$

## Remember

- $ed - 1 \neq \phi(n)$  in general.
- $t$  must be odd.
- If  $a^t = \pm 1$ , choose another base.
- Stop at the *first* occurrence of  $y = 1$ .
- Always verify  $pq = n$ .