

Algorithms and datastructures II

Lecture 13: Randomized algorithms and public cryptography

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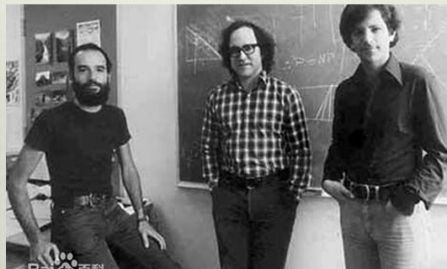
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Alice will generate key and communicate (n, e) via reliable (not necessarily secret) route.

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Bob chooses a message m (an integer satisfying $0 \leq m < n$) and computes

$$c = m^e \mod n$$

and transmits c to Alice.

Decryption

Alice computes

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