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Symmetric Cipher

Definition (Symmetric Cipher)

In a *symmetric cipher* the sender Alice and recipient Bob have equal knowledge of a key allowing them both to encipher and or decipher a message. Examples of these include affine ciphers, Vigenere's Cipher, Vernam's Cipher, Hill's Cipher, DES, and AES.



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Asymmetric

Definition (Asymmetric Cipher)

In an *asymmetric cipher* the sender Alice makes use of a key, possibly public, to a trap-door function and the recipient Bob then uses a secret key known only to him to decipher. So their knowledge is not equal. Examples of this include RSA, Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange, ElGamal, Elliptic Curve, and Lattice Based encryption.



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Factors

Theorem (Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic)

Given an integer $n \in \mathbb{N}$, either n is prime or n may be written as a product of primes

$$n = p_1 p_2 p_3 \cdots p_k$$

which is unique up to order.



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Theorem

A positive integer n > 1, has a primitive root if and only if $n = 2, 4, p^t$, or $2p^t$ where p is an odd prime and t is a positive integer.

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Logs

Definition (Discrete Logarithm Problem)

Let *a* be a primitive root in \mathbb{F}_p for a prime *p* and let *h* be a non-zero element of \mathbb{F}_p . The *Discrete Logarithm Problem (DLP)* is the problem of finding *x* such that

$$a^{\times} \equiv h \pmod{p}.$$

The number x is called the discrete logarithm of h to the base a and is denoted $\log_a(h)$.

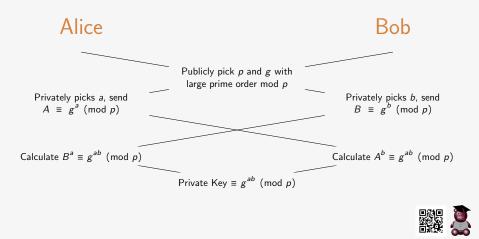


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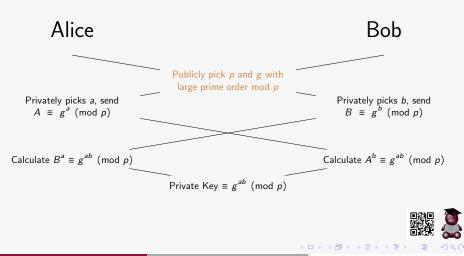
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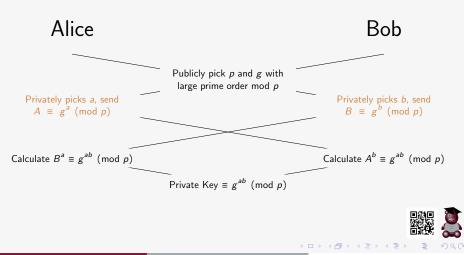




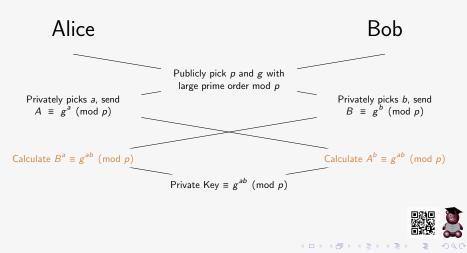
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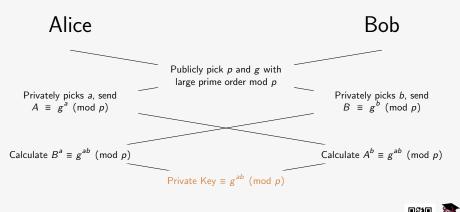


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i: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

a^{i} \pmod{p}: 3 9 27 19 26

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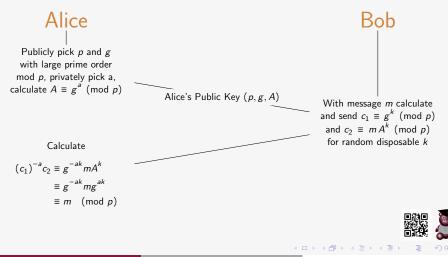
$$A^b \equiv B^a \equiv g^{ab} = 8 \pmod{31}$$

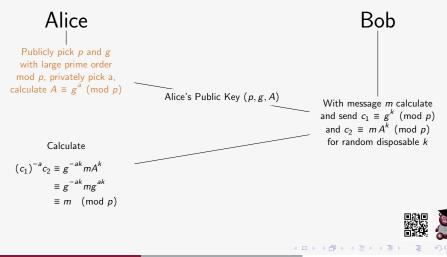
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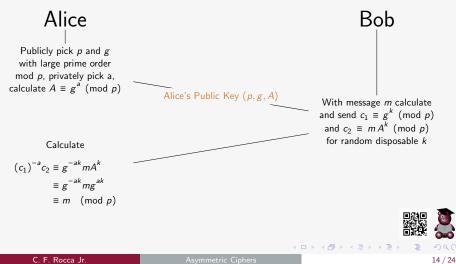
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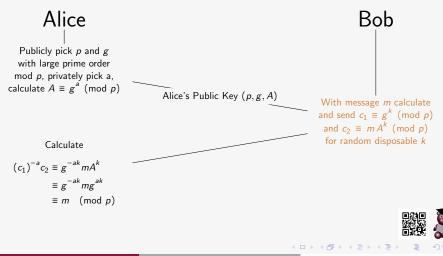




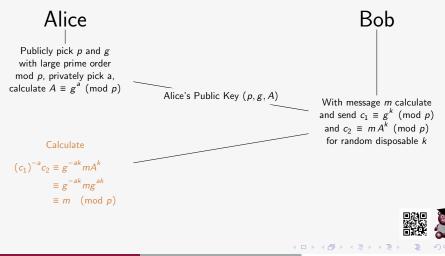


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$$c_1 = g^k \equiv 2 \pmod{31} \text{ and}$$
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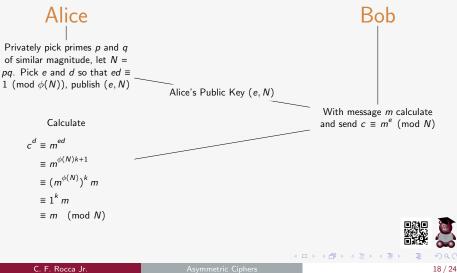
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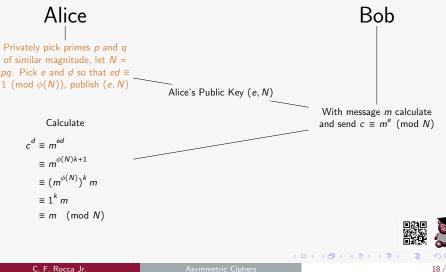


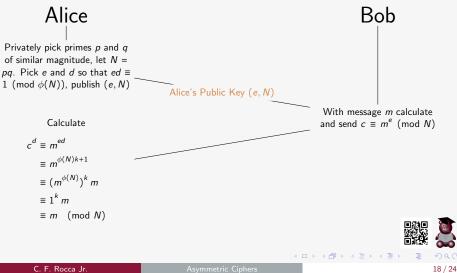
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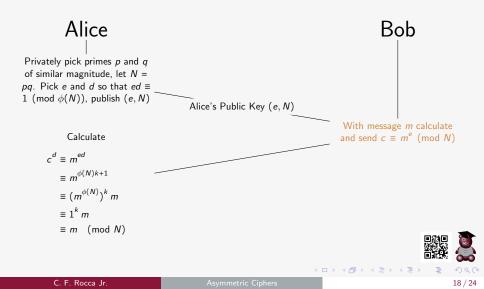
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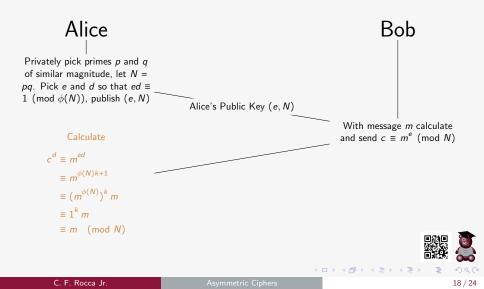


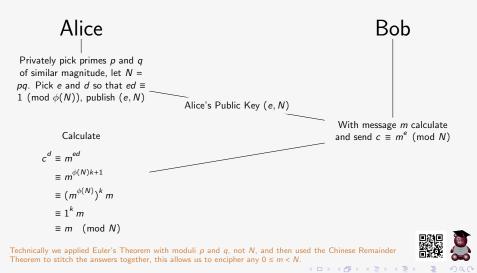












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- Publish (101,1147)



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- Message "T"=19
- $c \equiv 19^{101} \pmod{1147} = 165$
- Send 165



• Cipher Message 165



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• where $q' \equiv q^{-1} \pmod{p} = 26$ and $p' \equiv p^{-1} \pmod{q} = 6$



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