

# RSA public-key cryptosystem

1. Select at random two large prime numbers  $P, q$ .
2.  $n = P * q$ .
3. Select a small odd integer  $e$  which is relatively prime to  $(p-1) * (q-1)$ .
4. Compute  $d$  as the multiplicative inverse of  $e$ , modulo  $(p-1) * (q-1)$ , i.e.,  
$$e * d = 1 \pmod{(p-1) * (q-1)}$$
5. Publish  $P = (e, n)$  as RSA public key.
6. Keep  $S = (d, n)$  as RSA secret key.

## - Fermat's Theorem

If  $P$  is prime and  $Z_p^*$  represents the numbers in  $Z_p = \{0, 1, \dots, P-1\}$  which are relatively prime to  $P$ , then

$$a^{P-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{P},$$

for all  $a \in Z_p^*$ .

## - Chinese Remainder Theorem

If  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$  are pairwise relatively prime and  $n = n_1 \times n_2 \times \dots \times n_k$ , then for all integers  $x$  and  $a$ ,

$$x \equiv a \pmod{n_i}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k$$

if and only if

$$x \equiv a \pmod{n}.$$