

## Lecture 19

# QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY. PART 4 - Prime number factorization

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*R.L. Rivest, A. Shamir, L.M. Adleman, Commun. ACM 51(2), 2738 (1978)*

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- ▶ finds  $\mathbf{b} : a \cdot b \bmod (p-1)(q-1) = 1$ ;
- ▶ uses  $k_{\text{priv}} = (\mathbf{b}, N)$  as the private key and decrypt  $d(k_{\text{priv}}, c) := c^b \bmod N$ . Then  $d(k_{\text{priv}}, e(k_{\text{pub}}, m)) = m$  !

**Theorem 6.6** *Let  $p$  and  $q$  be two different primes and let  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m < \min\{q, p\}$ . Moreover, let  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that*

$$ab \bmod (p-1)(q-1) = 1.$$

*Then we have*

$$m^{ab} \bmod pq = m.$$



RSA-768 = 12301866845301177551304949583849627207728535695  
95334792197322452151726400507263657518745202199  
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~ 2000 CPU-years (on “2.2 GHz 2 GB RAM Opteron”)

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*P. Shor, in Proceedings of the 35th Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (IEEE Computer Society Press, 1994), pp. 124–134*

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Notes:

- ▶  $N$  must contain at least two **distinct** prime factors, i.e if  $p$  is a prime and  $N = p^{\nu p}$  then the Shor's algorithm is not "reliable enough";
  - ▶ we consider  $N$  to be an odd integer.
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With the Shor's algorithm we can determine this period in a number of computational steps, which for  $N \rightarrow \infty$  grows asymptotically as  $O((\log_2 N)^3)$ .

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$\Rightarrow N$  and  $(b^{r/2} + 1)(b^{r/2} - 1)$  have common divisors and via the Euclid's algorithm to  $N$  and  $(b^{r/2} + 1)$  or to  $N$  and  $(b^{r/2} - 1)$  we obtain a factor of  $N$ .

1. Preparation of the input register and the initial state
  2. Exploiting massive quantum parallelism
  3. Application of the quantum FOURIER transform
  4. Probability in measurement of the input register
  5. Probability to find  $r$  as the denominator in the continued fraction approximation
  6. Aggregation of the number of computational steps
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