The return of Eratosthenes: Secure Generation of RSA Moduli using Distributed Sieving

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Summary of Contributions

- RSA modulus generation protocol with generic MPC.
- Up to 37x better communication cost compared to CCD+20.
- Toolbox for MPC over Rings via CRT.

• Convert to Integer protocol, of independent interest.

RSA Modulus

- A biprime *N*, with two secret prime factors, *p* and *q*.
- Heart of the first public key cryptosystem; security based on factoring hardness assumption.

Why RSA Moduli?

- Signatures and Encryption
 - [RSA-77], [Paillier-99].
- Cryptographic accumulators
 - [Benaloh-deMare-93], [Camenisch-Lysyanskaya-02], [Li-Li-Xue-07], [Boneh-Bünz-Fisch-19],
- VDF and Timelock puzzles
 - [Rivest-Shamir-Wagner-99], Boneh-Bonneau-Bünz-Fisch-18], [Wesolowski-19], [Pietrzak-19],
 [Ephraim-Freitag-Komargodski-Pass-19].
- Efficient zk-SNARKs
 - [Bünz-Fisch-Szepieniec-19], [Lai-Malavolta-19]
- And others...

Why (distributed) RSA Moduli?

• Threshold Cryptography

Call 2021a for Feedback on Criteria for Threshold Schemes

NIST Multi-party Threshold Cryptography

2021-July-02: https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/threshold-cryptography

Please send comments to threshold-MP-call-2021a@nist.gov by September 13, 2021.

1. Scope of proposals. The future call for proposals will be intended to gather expert submissions of concrete threshold schemes for primitives that are *interchangeable* (in the sense of IR 8214A, Section 2.4) with² ECDSA, EdDSA, RSA signing/decryption, RSA keygen, AES, and ECC-based key agreement.³ After an evaluation period, and possibly various stages for tweaks,

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• Companies or foundations







Our main result

Up to 37x better communication cost compared to CCD+20.

- our RSA modulus generation works with ANY LSSS based MPC.
- along the way we had to develop a toolbox for MPC operations over CRT...

Main tool

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- 1. Choose random $\ p \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_{2^k}$
- 2. If p is not prime return to Step 1.
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 $a^{p-1} \bmod p$

Distributed RSA modulus generation

- 1. Sample p, q as integer shares.
- 2. Compute $N = p \cdot q$
- 3. Check whether N is bi-prime using p, q .
- 4. Parties run a consistency check to protect from malicious behaviour.

Related Work

Protocol	Security	Dishonest Majority	#Parties	Test	Leakage-free
[BF97]	Passive	×	<i>n</i> ≥ 3	biprimality	1
[FMY98]	Active	×	<i>n</i> ≥ 3	biprimality	1
[PS98]	Active	✓	<i>n</i> = 2	biprimality	×
[Gil99]	Passive	1	<i>n</i> = 2	biprimality	✓
[ACS02]	Passive	×	<i>n</i> ≥ 3	primality	✓
[DM10]	Active	×	<i>n</i> = 3	primality	✓
[HMRT12 <i>,</i> HMR+19]	Active	✓	n ≥ 2	biprimality	✓
[FLOP18]	Active	1	<i>n</i> = 2	biprimality	×
[CCD+20]	Active	1	n ≥ 2	biprimality	✓
[CHI+20]	Active*	1	n ≥ 2	biprimality	1
Ours	Active	✓	n ≥ 2	biprimality	1

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- 2. Securely compute N = p q and reveal N
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- 4. Consistency check
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- Extend the CRT representation: product is taken over the integers (i.e., prevent overflow).
- Perform "standard" secure multiplication over the MPC-CRT engines

• Reveal and CRT-Reconstruct the product *N*

• Check that *N* falls within the predetermined bounds, and is coprime to *M*Sample

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Jacobi Test

- Sample public $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_N$ s.t. the Jacobi symbol $\left(rac{\gamma}{N}
 ight)=1$
- Securely compute $\,\,\phi(N)/4\,\,$ in the exponent of $\,\gamma\,\,$

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m if}} \; \gamma^{\phi(N)/4}
eq \pm 1$$

Abort

• This test accepts false positives with probability $\frac{1}{2}$. We repeat the test sec times to increase the probability of N being a biprime to 2^{-sec} .

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Consistency Check

- This check ensures security against malicious parties, who contributed inconsistent shares to the Jacobi test.
- **1.** LevelUp s.t. the CRT representation allows the consistency check computations to be performed without overflow.
- 2. Sample bounded randomness and multiplicatively mask the secret exponent
- **3.** Convert the CRT represented masked sharing to a sharing over the integers

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Efficiency Analysis (1/2)

Scheme	CCD+20	Ours	CCD+20	Ours	CCD+20	Ours
К	1024	1024	1536	1536	2048	2048
semi-honest (MB)	139	41.68	416	116.55	910	243.3
malicious (GB)	20.81	0.64	43.42	1.188	74.52	1.99

Communication cost per party, for 2-party protocol.

Efficiency Analysis (2/2)

Scheme	CCD+20	Ours	CCD+20	Ours	CCD+20	Ours
К	1024	1024	1536	1536	2048	2048
semi-honest (MB)	2.09	4.34	6.24	12.17	13.65	25.23
malicious (GB)	1020	68.8	4734	153.2	8100	281.91

Communication cost per party, for 16-party protocol.

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• Exploit *Distributed Sieving techniques* and *public knowledge* to perform it semi-honestly without degrading security.

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Thank you!