

# Introduction to Cryptography

Review Midterm 1

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Here's what you need to know:

- The background from elementary number theory (Euler-Fermat, Chinese Remainder, Euclidean algorithm; Bezout; computation of inverses modulo  $n$ ; existence of primitive roots etc.)
- Solving simple cryptograms; what is frequency analysis?
- complexity: explain how to find the complexity of the most basic arithmetic operations (addition, multiplication, powering; similarly for polynomials with bounded coefficients).
- RSA: how and why it works; “stupid things to do”; attacks
- primality tests (Fermat, Miller-Rabin)
- primality proofs (via  $p - 1$  or AKS); only the basic ideas, no details.
- factorization methods: trial division, Fermat, Pollard's  $p-1$  and  $\rho$  method; birthday paradox

Diffie-Hellman and discrete logs will be on midterm 2.