

Paillier's cryptosystem

Additive homomorphic encryption

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is the encryption of $m_1 + m_2$ under randomness $r = r_1 r_2$.

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So $d - 1$ is indeed a multiple of n , so $e = (d - 1)/n$ is an integer satisfying $e \equiv m\varphi(n) \pmod{n}$. Remember $\mu \equiv \varphi(n)^{-1} \pmod{n}$.

Then $m' \equiv e\mu \equiv m\varphi(n)\varphi(n)^{-1} \equiv m \pmod{n}$