

### Problem 1: RSA with a low-entropy prime generator

*Solution:* Here, the main idea is that if the prime generator has a low-entropy, it is very likely that two of the sampled  $N$  will have a common factor. Since the gcd of two numbers can be calculated efficiently, we can easily factorize the number and thus break RSA.

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1 def attack():
2     L=[] # A list for storing N
3     for i in range(200):
4         (N, e), ct = restart_system()
5         for i in L:
6             p=gcd(i,N)
7             if p!=1 and p!=N and p!=N:
8                 q=N//p
9                 phiN=(p-1)*(q-1)
10                d = inverse(e, phiN)
11                return dec(ct, N, d)
12         L.append(N)
13
```

Listing 1: RSA with a low-entropy prime generator

### Problem 2: Another Attack on RSA Signatures

*Solution:* The attack follows in three steps :

1. Choose a string  $s$  so that it's cube doesn't exceed  $0x00\ 0x01\ 0x00\ \dots\ 0x00$  by taking cube root.
2. Set the last  $|M| + 1$  bytes (here  $|M|$  denotes size of message in bytes) so that the cube of  $s$  (say  $t$ ) has the last  $1 + |M|$  bytes as  $0x00[M]$ . To do this, we compare  $t$  (cube of  $s$ ) and our target suffix ( $0x00[M]$ ) until we find a mismatch at some position (say  $i$ ), upon which we flip the bit at position  $i$  in  $s$ . This will not alter the previously matching bits and the current bit in  $t$  will match the one in our target suffix. We do this until whole of the target suffix is matched in  $t$ .
3. To ensure that the cube of  $s$  has no zero bytes in the middle part, we sample random bits (in a range so that  $t$  doesn't exceed  $0x00\ 0x02\ 0x00\ \dots\ 0x00$ ) until the point when there are no zero bytes left.

### Problem 3: Attack on RSA PKCS Padding: Bleichenbacher's attack

*Solution:* Here we implemented Bleichenbacher's attack as mentioned in [his paper](#). We also referred to [this](#) video for understanding the attack better.

```
1 def attack(cipher_text, N, e):
2     ct_bin = ''.join(format(byte, '08b') for byte in cipher_text)
3     k = len(cipher_text) # number of bytes in the cipher text
4     B = pow(2, 8*(k-2)) # bound
5     M = [(2*B, 3*B-1)] # set of intervals
6     i = 1 # number of successful s values found
7     # Implement ceil and floor functions as math library functions don't work for large integers
8     s = ceil(N, (3 * B))
9     while True:
10         min_n = M[0][0]
11         max_n = M[0][1]
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12     for r in M: # min_n, max_n based on previous step
13         if r[0] < min_n:
14             min_n = r[0]
15         if r[1] > max_n:
16             max_n = r[1]
17     if (i > 1 and len(M) == 1): # Step 2.c from the paper
18         a, b = M[0]
19         r = floor(2*(b*s - 2*B), N)
20         counter = 1
21         while True:
22             s = ceil((2*B + r * N), b)
23             s_max = ceil((3*B + r * N), a)
24             found = False
25             while s <= s_max:
26                 ct_mod = (pow(pow(s, e) * (bin_to_int(ct_bin)), 1, N))
27                 if (rsa.check_padding(rsa.num_to_bytes(ct_mod))) :
28                     found = True
29                     break
30                 s += 1
31             if found:
32                 break
33             else:
34                 if counter%1000 == 0: print(counter)
35                 counter += 1
36                 r += 1
37     else: # Step 2.a,b from the paper
38         while True:
39             s += 1
40             ct_mod = (pow(pow(s, e) * (bin_to_int(ct_bin)), 1, N))
41             if (rsa.check_padding(rsa.num_to_bytes(ct_mod))) :
42                 break
43
44     # update the set M (Step 3 from the paper)
45     M_new = []
46
47     for m in M:
48         a, b = m
49         # Compute large values one time
50         r_min = (a*s - 3*B + 1) // N
51         r_max = (b*s - 2*B) // N
52
53         r = r_min
54         while r <= r_max:
55             a_new = max(a, ceil((2*B + r*N), s))
56             b_new = min(b, floor((3*B - 1 + r*N), s))
57             if a_new > b or b_new < a:
58                 r += 1
59                 continue
60
61             if a_new == b_new: # Answer found
62                 crackList = list(rsa.num_to_bytes(a_new))
63                 final_msg = []
64                 zeroFound = False
65                 for c in crackList[2:]:
66                     if(zeroFound):
67                         final_msg.append(c)
68                     if(c == 0 and not zeroFound): zeroFound = True
69                 return final_msg
70             M_new.append((a_new, b_new))
71             r += 1
72     M = M_new
73     i += 1
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Listing 2: Bleichenbacher's attack