

# **Network Security - Project**

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### Introduction



- Select one of two projects, and complete it by yourself
- Due date: Friday of 18th week
- Deliverable:
  - Project {1/2}\_\$ {Student\_id}\_\$ {your\_name}. {tar.gz/rar/zip}
    - Task 1
      - Your code/data for task 1
    - Task 2
      - Your code/data for task 2
    - Task 3
      - Your code/data for task 3
    - Project{1/2}\_report\_\${Student\_id}\_\${your\_name}.pdf

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- Goal: Implement the textbook RSA algorithm(without any padding)
- Your code should be able to:
  - Generate a random RSA key pair with a given key size (e.g., 1024bit)
  - Encrypt a plaintext with the public key.
  - **Decrypt** a ciphertext with the private key.





- Goal : Perform a CCA2 attack on textbook RSA
- Textbook RSA is elegant, but has no semantic security.
- An adaptive chosen-ciphertext attack (abbreviated as CCA2) is an interactive form of chosen-ciphertext attack in which an attacker sends a number of ciphertexts to be decrypted, then uses the results of these decryptions to select subsequent ciphertexts.

• The goal of this attack is **to gradually reveal** information about an encrypted message, or about the decryption key itself.





- Refer an existing work for the implementation
  - Details of this attack can be found in Chap 4.
- Since QQ browser has fixed the problem, you are supposed to simulate the attack

# When Textbook RSA is Used to Protect the Privacy of Hundreds of Millions of Users

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#### Server-client communication

Client

(1) generate a 128-bit AES session key for the session.



- (2) encrypt this session key using a 1024-bit RSA public key.
- ③ use the AES session key to encrypt the WUP request.
- (4) send the RSA-encrypted AES session key and the encrypted WUP request to the server.
- 1 decrypt the RSA-encrypted AES key it received from the client.
- (2) choose the least significant 128 bits of the plaintext to be the AES session key.
- (3) decrypt the WUP request using the AES session key.
- (4) send an AES-encrypted response if the WUP request is valid.

Server







- In this attack, the server knows
  - RSA key pair, AES key
- The adversary knows
  - RSA public key, a RSA-encrypted AES key, an AES-encrypted WUP request
- The adversary wants to know
  - AES key





- In this part, you are supposed to
  - Properly design your own **WUP** request format, server-client communication model, etc. A nice design will bring you a bonus.
  - Generate a history message by yourself, it should includes a RSA-encrypted AES key and an AES-encrypted request.
  - Present the **attack** process to obtain the AES key (and further decrypt the encrypted request) from the history message.
- You can use third-party library to implement **AES** encryption and decryption.

About WUP: <a href="https://citizenlab.ca/2016/03/privacy-security-issues-qq-browser/">https://citizenlab.ca/2016/03/privacy-security-issues-qq-browser/</a>



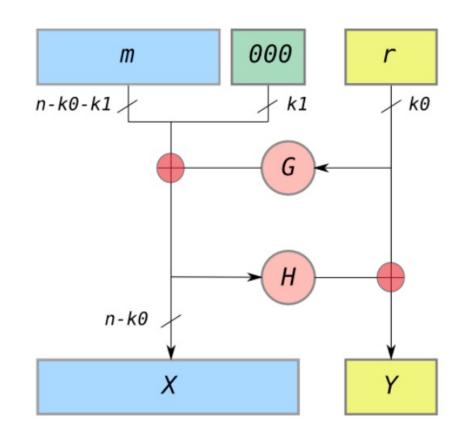


- Goal: defend the attack
  - Implement RSA-OAEP algorithm and discuss why it can defend such kind of attacks.
- Since textbook RSA is vulnerable to attacks, in this paper, the authors give a solution: using OAEP key padding algorithm.
- In cryptography, Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding (**OAEP**) is a padding scheme often used together with RSA encryption. OAEP satisfies the following two goals:
  - Add an element of randomness which can be used to convert a **deterministic** encryption scheme (e.g., traditional RSA) into a **probabilistic** scheme.
  - **Prevent partial decryption** of ciphertexts (or other information leakage) by ensuring that an adversary cannot recover any portion of the plaintext without being able to invert the trapdoor one-way permutation.



### **Project 1 - Task 3: OAEP**

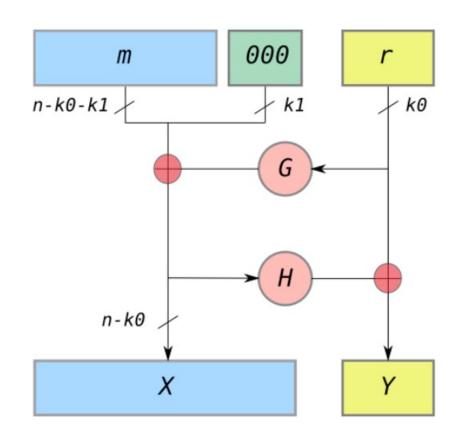
- n is the number of bits in the RSA modulus.
- *k0* and *k1* are integers fixed by the protocol.
- m is the plaintext message, an (n-k0-k1) bit string
- *G* and *H* are typically some cryptographic hash functions fixed by the protocol.
- $\bigoplus$  is an xor operation





# **Project 1 - Task 3: OAEP encoding**

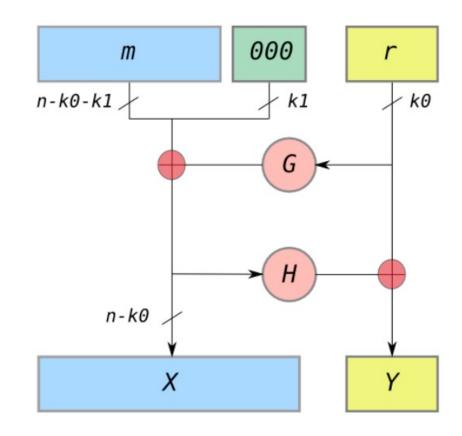
- 1. messages are padded with k1 zeros to be n-k0 bits in length.
- 2. r is a randomly generated k0 bit string
- 3. G expands the k0 bits of r to n-k0 bits.
- $4. \quad X = m00..0 G(r)$
- 5. H reduces the n-k0 bits of X to k0 bits.
- $6. Y = r \oplus H(X)$
- 7. The output is  $X \mid\mid Y$  where X is shown in the diagram as the leftmost block and Y as the rightmost block





# **Project 1 - Task 3: OAEP decoding**

- 1. recover the random string as  $r = Y \oplus H(X)$
- 2. recover the message as  $m00..0 = X \bigoplus G(r)$
- 3. The "all-or-nothing" security is from the fact that to recover m, you must recover the entire X and the entire Y; X is required to recover r from Y, and r is required to recover m from X. Since any changed bit of a cryptographic hash completely changes the result, the entire X, and the entire Y must both be completely recovered.







- In this part, you are supposed to
  - Add the OAEP padding module to the textbook RSA implementation.
  - Give a **discussion** on the advantages of RSA-OAEP compared to the textbook RSA.
  - As a bonus, you can further try to **present** CCA2 attack to **RSA-OAEP** to see whether it can thwart the CCA2 attack you have implemented in part 2.

# Thank You

