Homework Assignment 02

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1 Implement MonPro that returns the Montgomery product c and also a bool value StepFour which is True if there is a subtraction in Step 4 or False if not. Using the MonPro routine, create an implementation of the modular exponentiation algorithm MonExp

I have implemented MonPro and MonExp using Python. The code for which is present in the file machiry_monpro_timing_attack.py. Functions for MonPro and MonExp are mon_pro and mon_exp_attacker respectively.

2 Timing Attack

For a given d and n, First I generate 10000 random messages. Second, I run $mon_exp_compute_total_subtractions$ for each message m to compute $m^d \pmod{n}$ along with total number of subtractions happened in all the mon_pro invocations. In code, variable nums_subs holds this.

Except for Most significant bit $(d_k$ which can be reasonably assumed to be 1), for each of the other bits of d, I assume d_i (i < k) to be 1 and group messages depending on return value of mon_pro i.e true (Group A) or false (Group B). In code, variable d_arr holds this.

For each bit d_i , compute the average number of subtractions of messages in Group **A** and Group **B**, if the difference is greater than 1, then predict d_i to be 1 else predict 0.

3 Code usage and results

Attached is the file machiry_monpro_timing_attack.py that contains all the code. You can run the code as shown in the examples below:

3.1 Example 1 (d=85, n=391)

>> python machiry_monpro_timing_attack.py 85 391

Computing MonPro along with timings for: d=85, n=391 with no of messages = 10000 Computing Differences for each bit of exponent

[+] Timing Attack Results:

For bit:1 difference:1.49956114749 Guessing bit to be 1 For bit:2 difference:0.733689867916 Guessing bit to be 0 For bit:3 difference:1.2635785391 Guessing bit to be 1 For bit:4 difference:0.560659944641 Guessing bit to be 0 For bit:5 difference:1.12327680701 Guessing bit to be 1 For bit:6 difference:0.643323021801 Guessing bit to be 0 For bit(MSB):7 difference:1.9002 Guessing bit to be 1

- [+] Attack Predicted: 1010101
- [+] Actual Value : 1010101

++++++ VALUES MATCH: TIMING ATTACK SUCCESSFULL ++++++

3.2 Example 2 (d=6597, n=11413)

>> python machiry_monpro_timing_attack.py 6597 11413

Computing MonPro along with timings for: d=6597, n=11413 with no of messages = 10000

Computing Differences for each bit of exponent

[+] Timing Attack Results:

For bit:1 difference:1.24845233437 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:2 difference:0.595160580067 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:3 difference:1.0800554905 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:4 difference:0.628992367776 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:5 difference:0.559395113874 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:6 difference:0.492662803506 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:7 difference:1.04541593116 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:8 difference:1.18725120832 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:9 difference:1.12435168822 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:10 difference:0.511415480353 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:11 difference:0.557207429916 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:12 difference:1.03862332563 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit (MSB):13 difference: 3.7471 Guessing bit to be 1

- [+] Attack Predicted: 1100111000101
- [+] Actual Value : 1100111000101

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