

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 `monpro_timing_attack.py`. Functions for MonPro and MonExp are `mon_pro` and `mon_exp_attacker` respectively.

2 Timing Attack

Here, First I generate 10000 random messages. For a given d and n , 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 `monpro_timing_attack.py` that contains all the code. You can run the code as shown in the example below:

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

```
python 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:1.49324662261 Guessing bit to be 1

For bit:2 difference:0.78368535565 Guessing bit to be 0

For bit:3 difference:1.23034366116 Guessing bit to be 1

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For bit:4 difference:0.555460398892 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:5 difference:1.11873242982 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:6 difference:0.632019363081 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit(MSB):7 difference: 1.9005 Guessing bit to be 1
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[+] Attack Predicted : 1010101
[+] Actual Value : 1010101
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++++++ VALUES MATCH: TIMING ATTACK SUCCESSFULL ++++++

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

```
python monpro_timing_attack.py 6597 11413
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Computing MonPro along with timings for: d=6597, n=11413 with no of messages = 1000

Computing Differences for each bit of exponent

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[+] Timing Attack Results:
For bit:1 difference:1.21617369123 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:2 difference:0.568733861633 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:3 difference:1.09795873189 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:4 difference:0.673425759553 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:5 difference:0.527513445071 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:6 difference:0.469437064096 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:7 difference:1.07740422424 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:8 difference:1.24420195633 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:9 difference:1.15285579156 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit:10 difference:0.495667562777 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:11 difference:0.49760355057 Guessing bit to be 0
For bit:12 difference:1.02542399815 Guessing bit to be 1
For bit(MSB):13 difference: 3.7707 Guessing bit to be 1
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[+] Attack Predicted : 1100111000101
[+] Actual Value : 1100111000101
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++++++ VALUES MATCH: TIMING ATTACK SUCCESSFULL ++++++