

CPR E 431

BASICS OF INFORMATION SYSTEM SECURITY

Symmetric Key Encryption



Video Summary

- What is symmetric key encryption
- Assumptions
- Symmetric key encryption algorithms (DES, 3DES, AES)
- Attacks on Encryption Algorithms



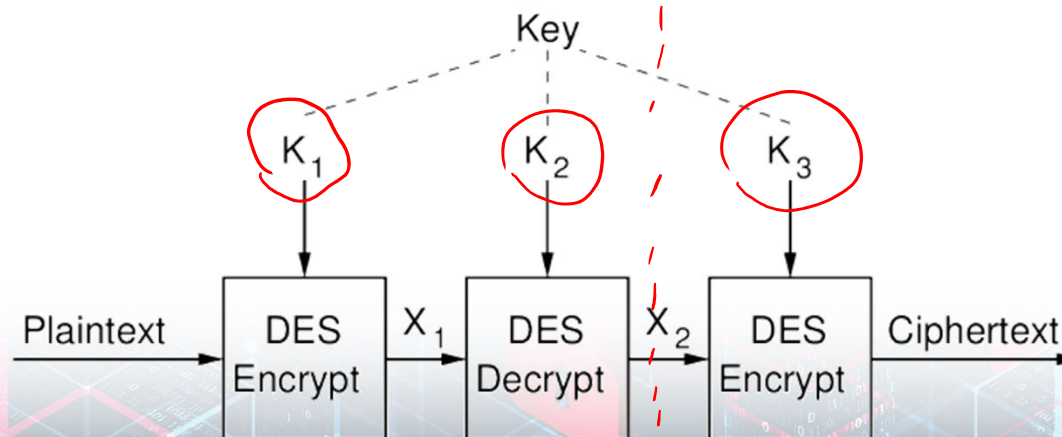
Data Encryption Standard (DES)

- ▶ Designed by IBM and NSA; standardised by NIST in 1977 as FIPS-46
- ▶ 1999: NIST recommended Triple-DES; DES only for legacy systems
- ▶ 2005: FIPS-46 standard withdrawn
- ▶ Block size: 64 bits
- ▶ Key length: 56 bits (64 bits, but 8 are parity)
- ▶ Initial and final permutations, then 16 rounds, each involving permutations and substitutions
- ▶ Decryption is almost identical to encryption → single implementation for both algorithms
- ▶ Key size is insecure; algorithm considered secure

Triple-DES (3DES)

56
56
56

- ▶ Standardised by ANSI/NIST in 1998/99
- ▶ Applies DES three times: Encrypt, Decrypt, Encrypt
- ▶ Block size: 64 bits
- ▶ Key length: 168 bits (options for 112 and 56 bits)
- ▶ **Three times slower than DES**
- ▶ Status: banks still use in many applications; available as an option in many products



Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) ✓

- ▶ NIST held competition to select algorithm to replace DES/3DES in 1997
 - ▶ Won by Rijndael algorithm by Rijmen and Daemen
 - ▶ 2001: Standardised as FIPS-197
- ▶ Block size: 128
- ▶ Key length: 128, 192, 256 bits
- ▶ Substitution-permutation network
- ▶ Status: used in many products, e.g. WiFi (WPA), full disk encryption (BitLocker, FileVault2, dm-crypt, LUKS), Internet security (HTTPS), ...

2^{128}
 2^{192}
 2^{256}
 2



Other Symmetric Encryption Algorithms

- ▶ Blowfish (Schneier, 1993): 64 bit blocks/32–448 bit keys; Feistel structure
- ▶ Twofish (Schneier et al, 1998): 128/128, 192, 256; Feistel structure
- ▶ Serpent (Anderson et al, 1998): 128/128, 192, 256; Substitution-permutation network
- ▶ Camellia (Mitsubishi/NTT, 2000): 128/128, 192, 256; Feistel structure
- ▶ IDEA (Lai and Massey, 1991): 64/128
- ▶ CAST-128 (Adams and Tavares, 1996): 64/40–128; Feistel structure
- ▶ CAST-256 (Adams and Tavares, 1998): 128/up to 256; Feistel structure
- ▶ RC5 (Rivest, 1994): 32, 64 or 128/up to 2040; Feistel-like structure

448
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2040
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Attacks on Symmetric Key Encryption

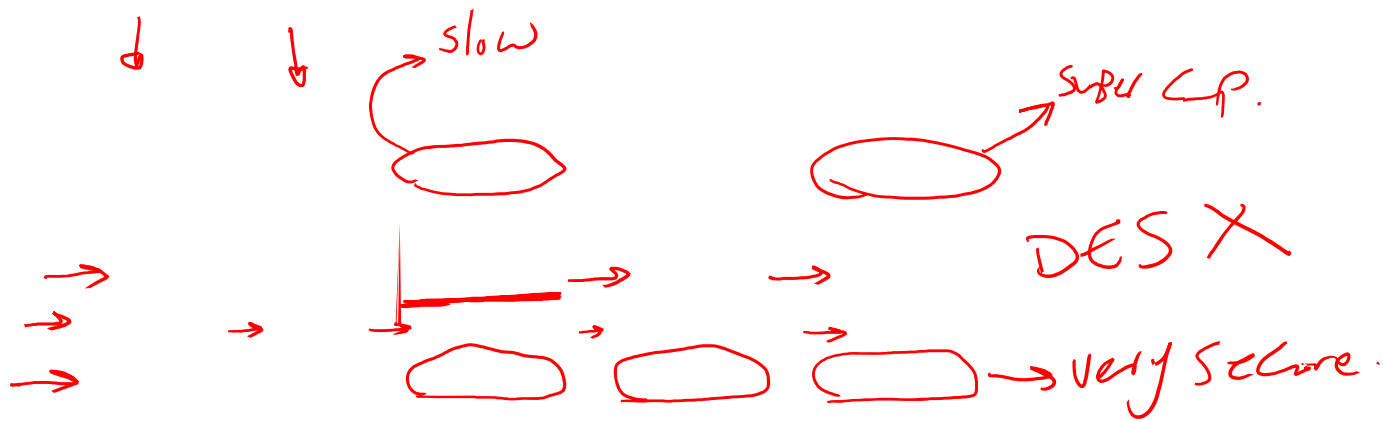
Brute Force Attack

- ▶ Approach: try all keys in key space
- ▶ Metric: number of operations (time)
- ▶ k bit key requires 2^k operations
- ▶ Depends on key length and computer speed

Cryptanalysis

- ▶ Approach: Find weaknesses in algorithms
- ▶ Methods: Linear cryptanalysis, differential cryptanalysis, meet-in-the-middle attack, side-channel attacks ...
- ▶ Metrics:
 - ▶ Number of operations ✓
 - ▶ Amount of memory ✓
 - ▶ Number of known plaintexts/ciphertexts ✓

Brute Force Attacks on Symmetric Key Encryption



$$2^{56} = 7.2 \times 10^{16}$$

Key length	Key space	Worst case time at speed:		
		10 ⁹ /sec	10 ¹² /sec	10 ¹⁵ /sec
32	2 ³²	4 sec	4 ms	4 us
56	2 ⁵⁶	683 days	20 hrs	72 sec
64	2 ⁶⁴	584 yrs	213 days	5 sec
128	2 ¹²⁸	10 ²³ yrs	10 ¹⁹ yrs	10 ¹⁶ yrs
192	2 ¹⁹²	10 ⁴¹ yrs	10 ³⁸ yrs	10 ³⁵ yrs
256	2 ²⁵⁶	10 ⁶⁰ yrs	10 ⁵⁷ yrs	10 ⁵⁴ yrs
26!	2 ⁸⁸	10 ¹⁰ yrs	10 ⁷ yrs	10 ⁴ yrs

Handwritten notes in red: $10^9 = 72057594$ sec to conduct Brute force attack

Handwritten notes in red: $683 \times 60 \times 24$ days, 10^{23} yrs, 10^{19} yrs, 10^{16} yrs

Brute Force Attacks on Symmetric Key Encryption

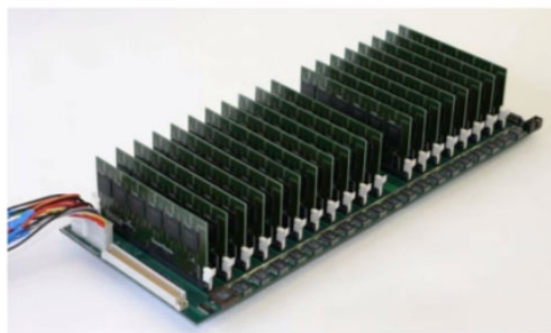
DeepCrack - 1998



- Developed by EFF
- < \$250,000
- 80×10^9 keys/sec
- Solved DES challenge in 56 hours

Brute Force Attacks on Symmetric Key Encryption

COPACABANA - 2006



See www.sciengines.com

- SciEngines, German uni's
- 120 FPGAs, 400×10^6 keys/sec/FPGA
- DES in 8.6 days
- \$10,000

(Pentium 4: 2×10^6 keys/sec)

Brute Force Attacks on Symmetric Key Encryption

DES in 2013

- Moore's Law: double in speed every 1.5 years
 - Halve in cost every 1.5 years
 - \$312 to break DES



Brute Force Attacks on Symmetric Key Encryption

RIVYERA S3-5000 - 2013



- SciEngines
- Up to 128 Xilinx Spartan-3 FPGAs
- ~\$100 per FPGA (XCS5000)
- AES-128 Brute Force
 - 500×10^6 keys per sec
 - 4×10^6 keys per mW
- Biclique Attack
 - 945×10^6 keys per sec
 - 7.3×10^6 keys per mW

Brute Force Attacks on Symmetric Key Encryption

AES-128 in 2013

Riviera S3-5000 with 128 FPGAs: ~\$15,000

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AES-128, Brute Force<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2^{128} keys (measure of time)• 64×10^9 keys per sec per \$15,000 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AES-128, Biclique<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2^{126} time, 2^{88} known, 2^8 memory• 120×10^9 keys per sec per \$15,000 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">→ • \$15,000: 1.7×10^{20} years→ • \$15,000,000: <u>$10^{17}$</u> years→ • \$15,000,000,000: <u>10^{14}</u> years | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$15,000: 9×10^{19} years• \$15,000,000: 10^{17} years• \$15,000,000,000: 10^{14} years |



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