

Rick'S Algorithm Writeup

Challenge 6 Solves X

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Easy

My friend Rick designed an alogrithm that is super secure!
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server.py

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We will be greeted with this program which able to do this process:

```
Choose an option below
=====
1. Encrypt a message
2. Decrypt a message
3. Print encrypted flag
4. Print flag
5. Exit
Enter option:
```

After some careful reading of the code given (server.py), we can see that there are two condition ($c \% \text{pow}(\text{flag}, e, n) == 0$) which prevents user to directly insert the encrypted flag to the decryption oracle and if the flag == decrypted text ($\text{flag} \% \text{pow}(c, d, n) == 0$), it will break the process which doesn't allow us to decrypt it

```
elif option == "2":
    c = int(input("Enter ciphertext to decrypt: "))
    if c % pow(flag,e,n) == 0 or flag % pow(c,d,n) == 0:
        print("HACKER ALERT!!")
        break
    print(f"Decrypted message: {pow(c,d,n)}")
```

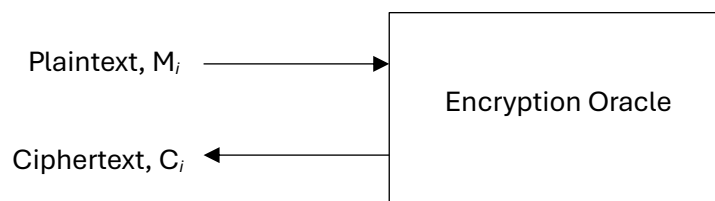
We also can see the encryption process:

```
option = input("Enter option: ")
if option == "1":
    m = bytes_to_long(input("Enter message to encrypt: ").encode())
    print(f"Encrypted message: {pow(m,e,n)}")
```

Based on this GitHub, <https://github.com/ashutosh1206/Crypton/blob/master/RSA-encryption/Attack-Retrieve-Modulus/README.md>

We can try CPA Attack to find n value

In Chosen Plaintext Attack, we will try to choose and send some plaintext to the encryption oracle to get back the ciphertext



If e is known (e=0x557), we can compute n which comes from the formula:

$n = GCD(C_i - M_i^e, C_{i+1} - M_{i+1}^e)$ // if there are only two pairs of plaintexts and ciphertexts

In this writeup, I choose '!' as M_1 and 'B' as M_2

```
# CPA attack (Chosen Plaintext Attack)
# plaintext -> encryption oracle -> ciphertext
# Choose 2 plaintext to get 2 ciphertext
m1 = 33 # ! in ascii
m2 = 66 # B in ascii
```

Get ciphertext C_1 and C_2 :

```
c1 =
2203013324296416679773070839901233840503035745883695672652197657509395634
2902119470931290160562918845813372700425433128851475598318306658519990392
9508788450778265805258515259023829790618922736647306261299464789819529757
3456262082120846104892703688663483745096480076950338898165131705046797986
7043276984586829973958186029003436247224212658185333250214265157716380849
3371115625226011183928076308438873306416948363037489586466204369598731610
4676804524029180038217415645803500761548732408551129932688268652854165625
3835578644908756486389260355046118069573515942618891256898849492876857375
395387585311660893585126794156478

c2 =
1212551084842101063468547460549762183824632098942061625239543694327548261
3518537810244762155848369807563757698209227274565057229836175624930070421
0393983126777494573951036911212354645034555775271177415348191345766968801
3741641095916413575055060313767497284998541497922282061164796298786554666
2307106882942834212284977420466458628506827082544548161330874368002994703
9276915415445906361343437645929011057935399427976602033191701967821258344
7723483223611858633369472018779841635022983404259735646139783312318666386
8912932952478746561546820122144634873317619853006850286305328887429517333
889433547456974568313550453506366
```

Compute n:

```
# Compute n = gcd(c1-m1^e,c2-m2^e)
first = c1 - pow(m1, e)
second = c2 - pow(m2, e)
n = math.gcd(first, second)
print("N: ",n)
```

After getting the n, we can try to interfere with the two conditions for decryption oracle. Based on the first condition ($c \% \text{pow}(\text{flag}, e, n) == 0$), we can break this condition by adding the n value with the encrypted flag value.

$\text{new encrypted flag} = \text{encrypted flag} + n$

$\text{new encrypted flag} \% \text{pow}(\text{flag}, e, n)$

$\text{new encrypted flag} \% \text{encrypted flag} != 0$

But, by using this method, it cannot break the second condition ($\text{flag} \% \text{pow}(c,d,n) == 0$).

$$\text{new encrypted flag} = \text{encrypted flag} + n$$

$$\text{flag} \% \text{pow}(\text{new encrypted flag}, d, n)$$

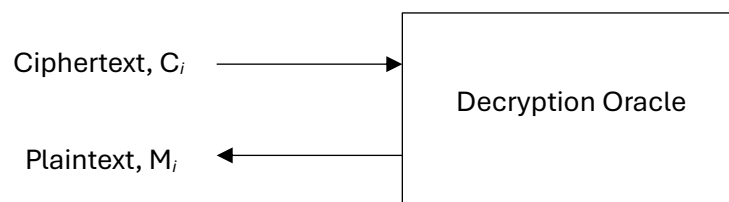
$$\text{decrypted flag} = (\text{new encrypted flag})^d \bmod n$$

//n value inside the new encrypted flag will become 0 after mod n.

$$\text{flag} \% \text{decrypted flag} == 0$$

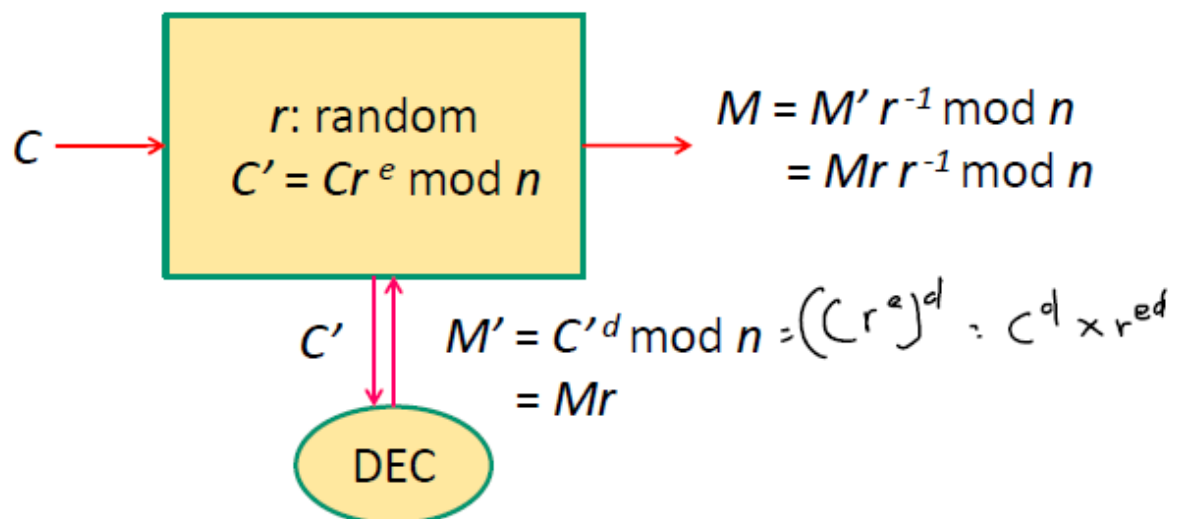
So, we need to come up with a solution to break both the conditions.

I come up with CCA Attack which is a Chosen Ciphertext Attack:



In CCA, we will choose ciphertext to be sent to the decryption oracle to get the plaintext.

By taking the advantage of the multiplicative property of RSA, we can perform as below:



We can find a random value 'r' which is co-prime (relative prime) to n value.

```
# Function to generate random `r` value from n
def generate_random_r(n):
    while True:
        r = randint(2, n - 1) # Random integer in range [2, n-1]
        if gcd(r, n) == 1: # Ensure `r` is coprime with `n`
            return r

# Generate random `r` value
r = generate_random_r(n)
print("\nRandom r value:", r)
```

Then, we can find C'(new encrypted flag) by having the C(encrypted flag), r, e, and n values by:

$$C' = Cr^e \bmod n$$

```
# C' = C * r^e mod n
new_encryptedflag= (encrypted_flag*pow(r, e)) % n
```

```
New Encrypted Flag (C'):
9221670609472587060886419739786337400227440212092971258863371447412282290021220805926169
2855705545400990320942248382763210505198326996461088569629504867553119679382725098624865
1718805046240240925697511292279569129995239343222008736158400868675064439380738870413827
3521615308616131574314083344617652722176301203516988365309671674802236036485165322908283
3720506054957955500702242557738773722083428822066020179453516749275352595147827176571197
9475147717949090731213514624359934253538023750074785553819459159983398624845487359572481
489418926420954267350047575364855825356484496507442831806786932685015300653551445356750
```

After we have done getting C', send the C' to the decryption oracle to get M'.

```
# Receive M' from the decryption oracle
# M' = M * r
m_prime =
1593758586364472655727943738413723224321086583772538762859506868188461972
6105021399311715128422430650551422880337525017496385627885613730540850481
4155487571201838806497235781056326638778323838867877963408808227758760772
3692803484421686946655715643204729106941171337930247488379984127624424423
3859610205735135902395295308897956560304863397181446639418735707766802827
4357420323621709555436711504245303974355775254264071271013416105663079182
3287271111187824805295267849505901082774501807983750075105006180342085527
9204266100951792607180252602896100008517843721890788225101029765099138230
098561232375796899337140243476730
```

M' is equivalent to:

$$M' = C'^d \bmod n$$

$$M' = (Cr^e)^d \bmod n$$

$$M' = (C^d \times r^{ed}) \bmod n$$

//in RSA, e*d will always equal to 1 and $M = C^d \bmod n$

$$M' = (M \times r) \bmod n$$

$$M' = Mr$$

$$M = M' r^{-1} \bmod n$$

$$M = Mr \times r^{-1} \bmod n$$

So, to get the flag (which is M), we need to multiply M' with r^{-1} . We also can use the modular inverse function to find M:

```
# M = M' * r^-1 mod n
encoded_flag = (m_prime * mod_inverse(r,n)) % n
```

Encoded Flag:

```
1520189204011936499048383484179823662359832091965020967678092052853279429072750471489371
4557
```

But the output seems to be encoded. Decode the encoded flag from long to bytes:

```
print("\nDecoded Flag:", long_to_bytes(encoded_flag).decode())
```

```
Decoded Flag: wgmy{ce7a475ff0e122e6ac34c3765449f71d}
```

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