2. Padding 01

Encrypt

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python ecb.py -e 0202020202020202020202020202020 Plaintext after padding 020202020202020202020202020201 Ciphertext: a5aff8141e959e377aa38cb2c6d62609

Decrypt

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python ecb.py -d a5aff8141e959e377aa38cb2c6d62609 Plaintext: 020202020202020202020202020202

Padding 0202

Encrypt

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python ecb.py -e 010101010101010101010101010101 Plaintext after padding 010101010101010101010101010202 Ciphertext: ed21e157c5c5373ab27a7d2960eb80c0

Decrypt

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python ecb.py -d ed21e157c5c5373ab27a7d2960eb80c0 Plaintext: 01010101010101010101010101

Padding 030303

Encrypt

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python ecb.py -e 01010101010101010101010101 Plaintext after padding 010101010101010101010101030303 Ciphertext: 8982e488d8385632cb76<u>1</u>ebf36590cd8

Decrypt

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python ecb.py -d 8982e488d8385632cb761ebf36590cd8 Plaintext: 010101010101010101010101

Padding 04040404

Encrypt

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python ecb.py -e 010101010101010101010101 Plaintext after padding 010101010101010101010104040404 Ciphertext: 848d8659e97646bef6f7cdb310b7a34b

Decrypt

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python ecb.py -d 848d8659e97646bef6f7cdb310b7a34b Plaintext: 0101010101010101010101 As can be seen from the screenshots above, 4 hexadecimal strings were selected so that their last block contains the padding 01, 0202, 030303, and 04040404 respectively. After encrypting these strings, the plaintexts were printed after padding along with the ciphertexts after encryption. After that, those ciphertexts, were decrypted and unpadded, which allowed us to find that after decryption, we get the original plaintexts back.

String Repeated 3 Times Encryption

From the screenshot above, we can see a string that is exactly the length of one block and is also repeated 3 times to construct a new string. Also, from the screenshot, we can see the padding is one whole block of 10 ('16' in hexadecimal) and we can see repeated ciphertext blocks after encryption. Meaning ECB will produce the same ciphertext after encryption for the same plaintext with the same key.

3.

Encrypt

Plaintext: 'Congratulations! You have earned the extra credit!'

Ciphertext:

e8dd36746bf44af4537f7e18b254c67800e799df57a2478a19c17d646fdb661d6c7bcf7af6b6c19ec26937e31ac3d14cbdc53dcb158a8cae58ed03e8c1110823

IV: 0f1e2d3c4b5a69788796a5b4c3d2e1f0

The ciphertext is created from encrypting the given plaintext with the given key and the IV created by me.

Decrypt

This screenshot shows when decrypting the ciphertext from the encryption of the given plaintext, I end up with the same plaintext that was encrypted.

4.

Invalid Padding Recognition

Did not pad inputted plaintext, and inputted one block with incorrect padding. Oracle recognizes incorrect padding of 05 for the block of 0101010101010101010101010101010505.

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python oracle.py -e 0101010101010101010101010101010505 Padded Plaintext Block: 010101010101010101010101010505 No: Invalid Padding Ciphertext: 2236fde995bdea92de76<u>b</u>b8963cd5452

Valid Padding Recognition

Yes: Valid Padding Padding is: 0202

Ciphertext: f5cdae3f34233734c6e72bb1770c26de

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python oracle.py -s 'Congratulations! You have earned the extra credit!'

Padded Plaintext Block: 436f6e67726174756c6174696f6e732120596f752068617665206561726e65642074686520657874726120637265646974210e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e e0e0e0e0e

Yes: Valid Padding

Padding is: 0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e

Ciphertext: e8dd36746bf44af4537f7e18b254c67800e799df57a2478a19c17d646fdb661d6c7bcf7af6b6c19ec26937e31ac3d14cbdc53dcb158a8cae58ed03e8c1110823

I outputted the padding to confirm that my oracle was identifying correct padding.

The screenshots above show the oracle returns "Yes: Valid Padding" when valid padding is used for the corresponding plaintext being encrypted and returns "No: Invalid Padding" when invalid padding is used for the corresponding plaintext being encrypted.

5.

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python attack.py -e 0102030405060708090a0b0c0d0e0f100203040506 Padded Plaintext Block: 0102030405060708090a0b0c0d0e0f1002030405060b0b0b0b0b0b0b0b0b0b0b Ciphertext: e28133a831d3d5ec50921f141ba2a9f2f1518cde5a94a09f86e62dc38dc0b75e Attack Decryption Plaintext: 0102030405060708090a0b0c0d0e0f10

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python attack.py -s 'Congratulations! You have earned the extra credit!'
Padded Plaintext Block: 436f6e67726174756c6174696f6e732120596f752068617665206561726e65642074686520657874726120637265646974210e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e
e0e0e0e0e
Ciphertext: e8dd36746bf44af4537f7e18b254c67800e799df57a2478a19c17d646fdb661d6c7bcf7af6b6c19ec26937e31ac3d14cbdc53dcb158a8cae58ed03e8c1110823
Attack Decryption Plaintext: Congratulations!

After implementing the padding oracle attack, I was able to decrypt the first block of a given ciphertext, but as you can see from the first screen shot, the padding oracle attack cannot remove the padding, if the padding is in the first block. If I extended this further, the padding oracle attack would decrypt all blocks of the ciphertext, but would still leave the last block of the plaintext with padding. I addressed the removal of the padding in the extra credit section, which shows the decryption of all blocks of the ciphertext. For this section, I only focused on decrypting the first block.

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python attack.py -s 'Congratulations! You have earned the extra credit!'
Padded Plaintext Block: 436f6e67726174756c6174696f6e732120596f752068617665206561726e65642074686520657874726120637265646974210e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e
e0e0e0e0e
Ciphertext: e8dd36746bf44af4537f7e18b254c67800e799df57a2478a19c17d646fdb661d6c7bcf7af6b6c19ec26937e31ac3d14cbdc53dcb158a8cae58ed03e8c1110823
Attack Decryption Plaintext: Congratulations! You have earned the extra credit!=0E=0E=0E=0E=0E=0E=0E=0E=
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The two screen shots above, show extending the padding attack oracle to decrypt all blocks of the ciphertext, but it can be seen that this not remove the padding from the last block of plaintext. I just extended the padding oracle attack to address all blocks of the ciphertext and not just the first block.

Extra Credit:

joe@joe-VirtualBox:~/Documents\$ python attack.py -s 'Congratulations! You have earned the extra credit!'
Padded Plaintext Block: 436f6e67726174756c6174696f6e732120596f752068617665206561726e65642074686520657874726120637265646974210e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e0e
e0e0e0e0e
Ciphertext: e8dd36746bf44af4537f7e18b254c67800e799df57a2478a19c17d646fdb661d6c7bcf7af6b6c19ec26937e31ac3d14cbdc53dcb158a8cae58ed03e8c1110823
Attack Decryption Plaintext: Congratulations! You have earned the extra credit!

After using the attack to decrypt all the blocks of the ciphertext, I end up with all the plaintext blocks, with the last plaintext block being padded. To remove the padding, I send CN-1 and CN to the oracle to see if there is valid padding in CN, if the padding is invalid, I know CN is not the last block and does not have any padding. If there is valid padding, I can assume, CN is the last block and does have padding that needs to be removed. To do this I changed the first byte of CN-1 and sent CN-1 and CN to the oracle to check if there is valid padding. If there is still valid padding, I know that the byte I changed was data, and the whole block is not padding. I repeat this by then changing the second byte of CN-1 and send CN-1 and CN to the oracle to see if there is valid padding. I repeat this step for all the bytes of CN-1 until I find out from the oracle that there is no longer valid padding, which means that the byte I changed in CN-1 did not affect the data in CN but the padding in it. Thus, I know where the padding starts in PN. I already have PN from attacking and decrypting all the blocks with the attack, but now have to remove the padding from the last block, PN, of the plaintext. From knowing where the padding begins, I can just remove the end of the plaintext block from where the padding begins and I end up with the original plaintext. For example, the padding in this case was '0e' 14 times, and thus I removed 14 bytes from the end of PN to get the original PN block without padding.

The difficult part was determining where the padding begun, which was different from the original attack, where you decrypted a block byte by byte from the last byte of CN-1, but in this case, I started with the first byte of CN-1. The difficulty lay in the fact that I needed to know where in PN the padding begun, since I knew it had to end at the end of the block. If I used the same approach as decrypting the first block, I would not be able to see where the padding begun. Basically, it came down to how to determine if the block had padding and where the padding began in the block. And the method used to decrypt each block byte by byte did not allow for me to know where the padding begun, thus I did not address the padding until I already decrypted all the plaintext blocks from the attack. I assume that you could combine the decryption and padding removal together as well as start at the last byte to determine where the padding begins in PN, but I felt the combination of both could be complicated, especially as CN-1 prime is being changed along with PN prime to determine D(K, C).