

Cryptography 2

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Plan for today

Lecture 7

Recap on Symmetric vs Public Key Crypto



- **RSA**
- Diffie-Hellman
- Authentication
- Generic collision resistance attack

Integrity

Symmetric Key Encryption

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m, c: plaintext, ciphertext

- Same secret key for both encryption and decryption
- Stream ciphers
 - Act on the plaintext one symbol at a time
- Block ciphers
 - Act on the plaintext in blocks of symbols

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Stream Ciphers: The One Time Pad (Vernam 1917)

First example of a "secure" cipher

$$M = C = \{0,1\}^n, \quad K = \{0,1\}^n$$

key = (random bit string as long the message)

$$E(k,m) = k \oplus m$$
$$D(k,c) = k \oplus c$$

msg: 0 1 1 0 1 1 1 key: 1 0 1 1 0 1 0

CT: 1 1 0 1 1 0 1



One-time vs Many-time Security

Never use stream cipher key more than once !!

$$C_1 \leftarrow m_1 \oplus k$$

$$C_2 \leftarrow m_2 \oplus k$$

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Eavesdropper does:

$$C_1 \oplus C_2 \rightarrow$$

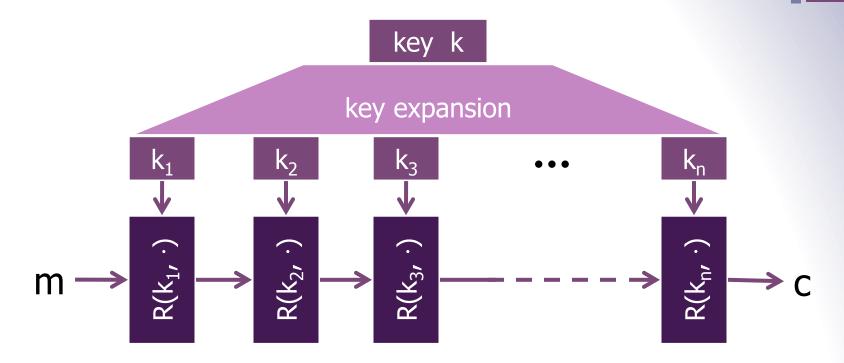
$$m_1 \oplus m_2$$

Enough redundancy in English and ASCII encoding that:

$$m_1 \oplus m_2 \rightarrow m_1, m_2$$



Block Ciphers Built by Iteration



R(k,m) is called a round function

for 3DES (n=48), for AES-128 (n=10)

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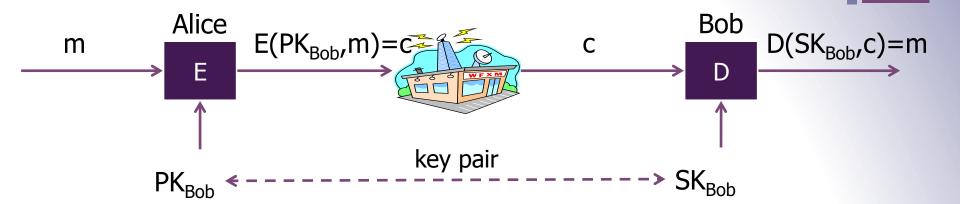
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Problems with Shared Key Crypto

- Compromised key means interceptors can decrypt any ciphertext they've acquired
 - Change keys frequently to limit damage
- Distribution of keys is problematic
 - Keys must be transmitted securely
 - Use couriers?
 - Distribute in pieces over separate channels?
- O(n) keys per user ; $O(n^2)$ keys in the system
- Online TTP not an ideal solution

Public Key Encryption



PK: public key, SK: secret key (e.g., 1024 bits)

Example: Bob generates (PK_{Bob}, SK_{Bob}) and gives PK_{Bob} to Alice

- Only the private key must be kept secret!
- Interactive applications: session setup
- Non-interactive applications: e.g., email

Establishing a shared secret



Alice $(pk, sk) \leftarrow G()$ "Alice", pk choose random $x \in \{0,1\}^{128}$ "Bob", $c \leftarrow E(pk,x)$

 $D(sk,c) \rightarrow x$ shared secret

Note: protocol is vulnerable to man-in-the-middle



Insecure against man in the middle



The protocol is insecure against **active** attacks

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Alice
                                  MiTM
                                                                    Bob
(pk, sk) \leftarrow G()
                             (pk', sk') \leftarrow G()
            "Alice", pk
                              →||"Alice", pk′
                                                               choose random
                                                                x \in \{0,1\}^{128}
                                               "Bob", E(pk', x)
                    x \leftarrow D(sk', E(pk', x))
          "Bob", E(pk, x)
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Trade-offs for Public Key Crypto

- More computationally expensive than symmetric (shared) key crypto
 - Algorithms are harder to implement
 - Require more complex machinery
- More formal justification of difficulty
 - Hardness based on complexity-theoretic results
- A principal needs 1 private key and 1 public key
 - Number of keys for pair-wise communication is O(n)



Model of the attacker

Ciphertext-only attack

- Attacker has access to cipher test of one or more messages, all of which were encrypted with the same key K
- His goal is to find the corresponding plaintext, or even better K

Known-plaintext attack

- Attacker has access to one or more plaintext-ciphertext pairs, encrypted with the same key K
- His goal is to determine K
 - An example of this is the DES challenge



Model of the attacker



- Chosen-ciphertext attack (CCA)
 - The attacker has access to a **decryption** oracle: he can choose ciphertexts (based on the same key K) and get their corresponding plaintext

- Chosen-plaintext attack (CPA)
 - The adversary has access to an **encryption** oracle: he can choose plaintexts and get their corresponding ciphertexts, based on the same key K
 - More powerful than CCA



RSA

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RSA Algorithm

- Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir, Leonard Adleman
 - Proposed in 1979
 - They won the 2002 Turing award for this work
- Has withstood years of cryptanalysis
 - Not a guarantee of security!
 - But a strong vote of confidence
 - Further reading: Twenty years of attacks on the RSA cryptosystem,
 D. Boneh, Notices of the AMS, 1999
- Hardware implementations:

1000 x slower than DES



RSA at a High Level

- Public and private key are derived from secret prime numbers
 - Today at least 2048 bits to ensure security (4096 bits is better)
- Plaintext message (a sequence of bits)
 - Treated as a (large!) binary number
- Encryption is modular exponentiation
- To break the encryption, conjectured that one must be able to factor large numbers
 - Not known to be in P (polynomial time algorithms)



RSA Details: Key Generation

- Choose two distinct random prime numbers p and q
- Compute the **modulus**: $n = p \cdot q$
- Compute $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$
 - ullet ϕ is Euler's totient function
 - $\varphi(n)$ counts the positive integers $\leq n$ that are relatively prime to n
 - a and b are relatively prime iff their greatest common divisor = 1
 - GDC(a, b) = 1

Euler's theorem:

 $a^{\varphi(n)} \equiv 1 \mod n$, for any a relatively prime with n



RSA Details: Key Generation

- Choose e such that $1 < e < \varphi(n)$ with e and $\varphi(n)$ relatively prime
 - e is the **public key exponent** (public key = (e, n))
 - Typically small: e.g. $e = 2^{16} + 1 = 65537$
- Determine $d \equiv e^{-1} \cdot \text{mod } \varphi(n)$, that is the multiplicative inverse of e
 - d is the **private key exponent** (private key = (d, n))
 - We have that $d \cdot e \equiv 1 \mod \varphi(n)$



RSA Details: Key Generation

Publish (e, n) as the public key

Keep (d, n) as the private key

• p, q, and $\varphi(n)$ must also be kept secret or even thrown away altogether!

■ Why?

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RSA Details: Encryption

- Message M is turned to an integer m s.t. $0 \le m < n$
- We use the recipient's public key (e, n) to compute:

$$c \equiv m^e \mod n$$

We use exponentiation by squaring to perform this quickly:

 $m^e \equiv (m^2 \bmod n)^{(e/2)} \bmod n$, if $e \equiv 0 \bmod 2$ $m^e \equiv m (m^2 \bmod n)^{((e-1)/2)} \bmod n$, else



RSA Details: Encryption Example

- Scaled-down example
 - (explicit form of the one on Wikipedia):

$$65^{17} \equiv 65 (65^2 \mod 3233)^8 \equiv 65 \cdot 992^8$$

$$\equiv 65 (992^2 \mod 3233)^4 \equiv 65 \cdot 1232^4$$

$$\equiv 65 (1232^2 \mod 3233)^2 \equiv 65 \cdot 1547^2$$

$$\equiv 65 (1547^2 \mod 3233) \equiv 65 \cdot 789$$

$$\equiv 2790 \pmod 3233$$

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RSA Details: Decryption

■ The recipient uses its private key (d, n) to compute:

$$m \equiv c^d \mod n$$

This works. Why?

$$c^d \bmod n \equiv (m^e \bmod n)^d \bmod n$$

 $\equiv m^{(e \cdot d)} \bmod n$
 $\equiv m^1 \bmod n$

Last step works thanks to Euler's theorem and Fermat's Little Theorem



RSA Details: Miscellaneous

- How to encrypt long messages (m > n)?
 - Use a mode of encryption such as Cipher Block Chaining (CBC)?
 - Too expensive!
 - Use hybrid encryption: encrypt a symmetric key with RSA, then use this to encrypt the bulk data
- How would one do signature with RSA?
 - Sign the message by applying the decryption alg. with the private key
 - For long messages, hash the message first, then sign the hash value



RSA Details: Miscellaneous

- The "1024" bits (or 2048, or 4096, ...) is the size of the **modulus** n
- Does that mean "1024-bit security", like with block ciphers?

No!

<u>cipher key size</u>	<u>modulus size</u>
80 bits	1024 bits
128 bits	3072 bits
256 bits (AES)	15360 bits

RSA is not CCA-secure (see exercises), but it is never used as explained here!



Trapdoor functions (TDF)

<u>Def</u>: a trapdoor func. $X \rightarrow Y$ is a triple of efficient algs. (G, F, F⁻¹)

- G(): randomized alg. outputs key pair (pk, sk)
- F(pk, ·): det. alg. that defines a func. $X \rightarrow Y$
- $F^{-1}(sk, \cdot)$: defines a func. $Y \rightarrow X$ that inverts $F(pk, \cdot)$

Security: F(pk, ·) is one-way without sk



Public-key encryption from TDFs

- \blacksquare (G, F, F⁻¹): secure TDF X \rightarrow Y
- (E_s, D_s): symm. auth. encryption with keys in K
- \blacksquare H: X \longrightarrow K a hash function

We construct a pub-key enc. system (G, E, D):

Key generation G: same as G for TDF



Public-key encryption from TDFs

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E(pk, m): $x \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} X$, $y \leftarrow F(pk, x)$ $k \leftarrow H(x)$, $c \leftarrow E_s(k, m)$

output (y, c)

$\begin{array}{c} \underline{\textbf{D(sk,(y,c))}}:\\ & x \leftarrow F^{-1}(sk,y),\\ & k \leftarrow H(x), \quad m \leftarrow D_s(k,c)\\ & \text{output} \quad m \end{array}$



Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

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Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- Problem with shared-key systems:
 - Distributing the shared key
- Suppose that Alice and Bob want to agree on a secret (i.e. a key)
 - Communication link is public
 - They don't already share any secrets



Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- Choose a prime p (publicly known)
 - Should be about 512 bits or more
- Pick g
 - g must be a primitive root of p
 - A primitive root generates the finite field p
 - Every n in {1, 2, ..., p-1} can be written as g^k mod p
 - Example: 2 is a primitive root of 5

$$2^0 = 1 2^1 = 2 2^2 = 4$$

$$2^1 = 2$$

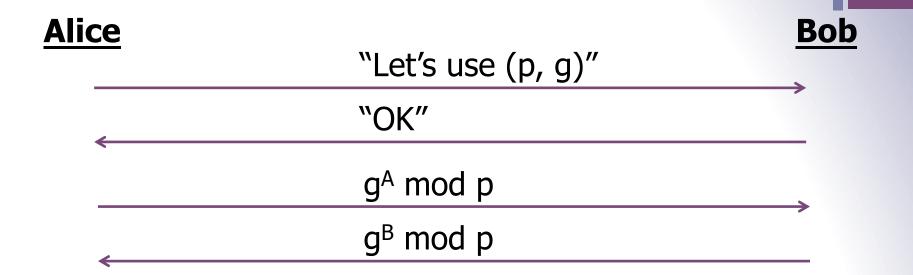
$$2^2 = 4$$

$$2^3 = 3 \pmod{5}$$

Intuitively means that it's hard to take logarithms base g because there are many candidates

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Diffie-Hellman Protocol



- 1. Alice & Bob decide on a public prime p and primitive root g
- 2. Alice chooses secret number A Bob chooses secret number B
- 3. Alice sends Bob **g^A mod p** Bob sends Alice **g^B mod p**
- 4. The shared secret is **g^{AB} mod p**

Note: security against eavesdropping only (vulnerable to man-in-the-middle)



Diffie-Hellman Details

Alice computes g^{AB} mod p because she knows A: g^{AB} mod p = $(g^{B}$ mod p)^A mod p

- An eavesdropper gets g^A mod p and g^B mod p
 - They can easily calculate g^{A+B} mod p but that doesn't help
 - The problem of computing discrete logarithms (to recover A from g^A mod p) is hard



Diffie-Hellman Example

- Alice and Bob agree that p=71 and g=7
- Alice selects a private key A=5 and calculates a public key $g^A \equiv 7^5 \equiv 51 \pmod{71}$; she sends this to Bob
- Bob selects a private key B=12 and calculates a public key $g^B \equiv 7^{12} \equiv 4 \pmod{71}$; he sends this to Alice
- Alice calculates the shared secret:

$$S \equiv (g^B)^A \equiv 4^5 \equiv 30 \pmod{71}$$

Bob calculates the shared secret:

$$S \equiv (g^A)^B \equiv 51^{12} \equiv 30 \pmod{71}$$

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Why Does It Work?

- Security is provided by the difficulty of calculating discrete logarithms
- Feasibility is provided by
 - The ability to find large primes
 - The ability to find primitive roots for large primes
 - The ability to do efficient modular arithmetic
- Correctness is an immediate consequence of basic facts about modular arithmetic



Authentication

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Authenticated channel

- You should always expect a man-in-the-middle
 - e.g. on the internet, your messages go through many intermediaries

- Solution: Use an authenticated channel
 - For instance, Alice and Bob have certificates that contain a public key,
 and exchange them prior to the DH exchange
 - They use them to authenticate the values in the DH phase
 - More on that in the SSL/TLS lecture



Collision resistance

Generic birthday attack

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Cryptographic Hashes

Create a hard-to-invert summary of input data

$$h: \left\{0,1\right\}^* \longrightarrow \left\{0,1\right\}^n$$

- Sometimes called a Message Digest
- Examples:
 - Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA)
 - Message Digest (MD4, MD5)



Desired Properties

One way hash function

■ Given a hash value y, it should be infeasible to find m s.t. h(m)=y

Collision resistance

■ It should be infeasible to find two different messages m_1 and m_2 s.t. $h(m_1)=h(m_2)$

Random oracle property

- h(m) is indistinguishable from a random n-bit value
- Attacker must spend a lot of effort to be able to modify the message without altering the hash value



Generic attack on C.R. functions

Let H: $M \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$ be a hash function ($|M| >> 2^n$)

Generic alg. to find a collision in time $O(2^{n/2})$ hashes

Algorithm:

- Choose 2^{n/2} random messages in M: m₁, ..., m₂n/2 (distinct w.h.p)
- 2. For $i = 1, ..., 2^{n/2}$ compute $t_i = H(m_i) \in \{0,1\}^n$
- 3. Look for a collision $(t_i = t_j)$. If not found, got back to step 1.

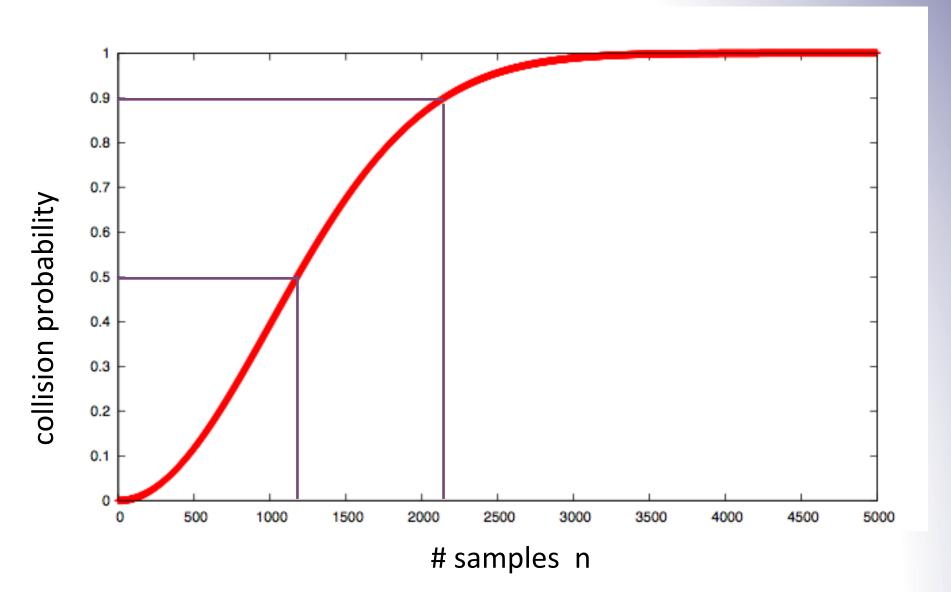
How well will this work?



The birthday paradox

- In a group of **23** people, the probability to have at least two people with the same birthday is about **50%**
- Theorem: If we pick $\theta \sqrt{N}$ independently and uniformly distributed random numbers in $\{1,2,...,N\}$, we get at least two occurrences of the same number with probability:

$$1 - \frac{N!}{N^{\theta \sqrt{N}} (N - \theta \sqrt{N})!} \xrightarrow{N \to +\infty} 1 - e^{-\frac{\theta^2}{2}}$$





Generic attack

- H: $M \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$. Collision finding algorithm:
- 1. Choose $2^{n/2}$ random elements in M: $m_1, ..., m_2^{n/2}$
- 2. For $i = 1, ..., 2^{n/2}$ compute $t_i = H(m_i) \in \{0,1\}^n$
- 3. Look for a collision $(t_i = t_j)$. If not found, got back to step 1.

Expected number of iteration \approx 2

Running time: $O(2^{n/2})$ (space $O(2^{n/2})$)

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Integrity

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Message Integrity

Goal: **integrity**, no confidentiality

Examples:

Protecting public binaries on disk

Protecting banner ads on web pages



Message Integrity: MAC





Generate tag: $tag \leftarrow S(k, m)$ **Verify tag:** V(k, m, tag) = 'yes'

Def: **MAC** I=(S,V) defined over (K,M,T) is a pair of algs

- \blacksquare S(k,m) outputs t in T
- V(k,m,t) outputs 'yes' or 'no'

Consistency:

 $\forall k \in K, \ \forall m \in M: \ V(k, m, S(k, m)) = 'yes'$



Secure MACs

- Attacker information: chosen message attack
 - for $m_1, m_2, ..., m_q$ attacker is given $t_i \leftarrow S(k, m_i)$

- Attacker's goal: existential forgery.
 - produce some <u>new</u> valid message/tag pair (m,t).

$$(m,t) \notin \{ (m_1,t_1), ..., (m_q,t_q) \}$$

- ⇒ attacker cannot produce a valid tag for a new message
- \Rightarrow given (m,t) attacker cannot even produce (m,t') for t' \neq t

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Secure PRF \Rightarrow Secure MAC

For a Pseudo Random Function $F: K \times X \longrightarrow Y$ define a MAC $I_F = (S,V)$ as:

- S(k,m) := F(k,m)
- V(k,m,t): output 'yes' if t = F(k,m) and 'no' otherwise.
- \Rightarrow I_F is secure as long as |Y| is large, say |Y| = 2^{80}

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message m
                                      tag
   Alice
                                                   Bob
tag \leftarrow F(k,m)
                                              accept msg if
                                                    tag = F(k,m)
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Standardized method: HMAC (Hash-MAC)



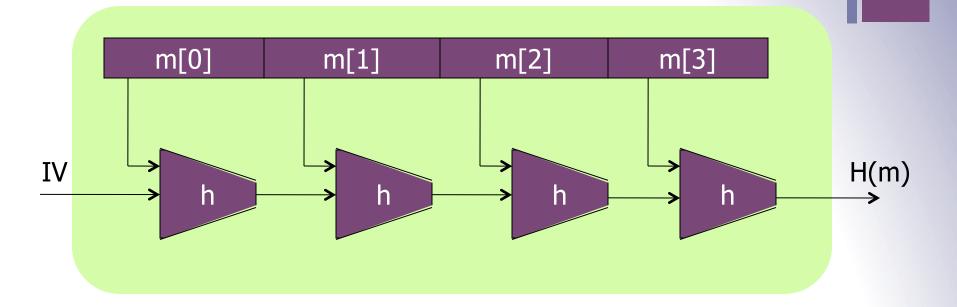
- Most widely used MAC on the Internet
 - Proposed by Bellare, Canetti, Krawczyk in 1996
 - Provably secure
 - Standards: FIPS 198-1, RFC 2104, ISO 9797-2
- Builds a MAC out of a hash function

HMAC: $S(k, m) = H(k \oplus \text{opad } || H(k \oplus \text{ipad } || m))$

- Maintains performance of the original hash function
- Examples:
 - HMAC-SHA256: H = SHA256 ; output is 256 bits
 - HMAC-SHA1-96: H = SHA1 ; output truncated to 96 bits

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SHA-256: Merkle-Damgard



h(t, m[i]): compression function

Thm 1: if h is collision resistant then so is H

"Thm 2": if h is a PRF then HMAC is a PRF



An Insecure MAC Construction

- Let us define t = S(m, k) = H(k || m)
- Because of the way typical hash function are implemented (up to SHA-2), the "Merkle-Damgård" construction, an attack is possible
- An adversary can compute t' = H(k || m || padding || m') without knowing m
- She can therefore send m', t' instead of m, t



Things To Remember



Cryptography is:

- A tremendous tool
- The basis for many security mechanisms

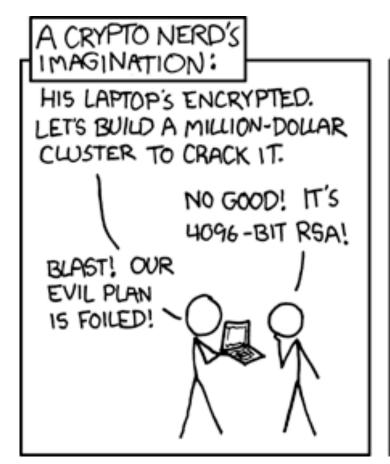
Cryptography is **NOT**:

- The solution to all security problems
- Reliable unless implemented and used properly
- Something you should try to invent yourself

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Any questions?







Stay tuned





Next time you will learn about

Network vulnerabilities

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