

MESSAGE INTEGRITY



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- PRFs and PRPs
- Message integrity
- Secure MACs
- Encrypted CBC-MAC
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Abstractly: PRPs and PRFs

• Pseudo Random Function (PRF) defined over (K,X,Y):

$$F: K \times X \rightarrow Y$$

such that exists "efficient" algorithm to evaluate F(k,x)

Pseudo Random Permutation (PRP) defined over (K,X):

$$E: K \times X \rightarrow X$$

such that:

- 1. Exists "efficient" deterministic algorithm to evaluate E(k,x)
- 2. The function $E(k, \cdot)$ is one-to-one
- Exists "efficient" inversion algorithm D(k,x)

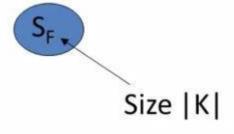


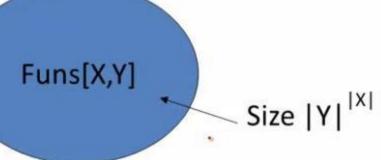


Secure PRFs

• Let $F: K \times X \to Y$ be a PRF $\begin{cases} Funs[X,Y]: & \text{the set of } \underline{\textbf{all}} \text{ functions from } X \text{ to } Y \\ S_F = \{ F(k,\cdot) \text{ s.t. } k \in K \} \subseteq Funs[X,Y] \end{cases}$

 Intuition: a PRF is secure if a random function in Funs[X,Y] is indistinguishable from a random function in S_F







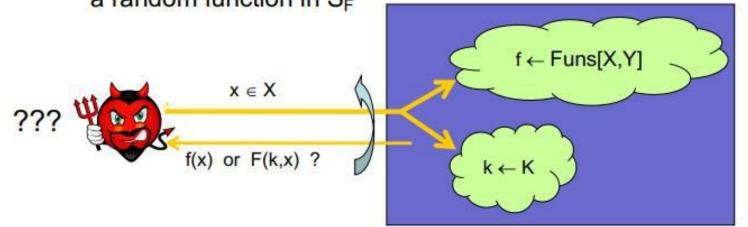


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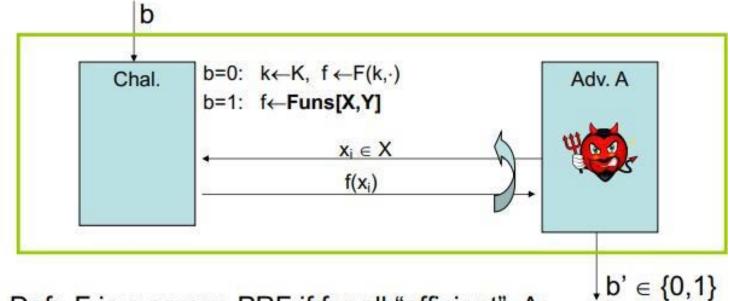


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PRFs and PRPs

Secure PRF: defintion

For b=0,1 define experiment EXP(b) as:



Def: F is a secure PRF if for all "efficient" A:

$$Adv_{PRF}[A,F] = |Pr[EXP(0)=1] - Pr[EXP(1)=1]|$$
 is "negligible."





An example

Let
$$K = X = \{0,1\}^n$$
.

Consider the PRF:

$$F(k, x) = k \oplus x$$

defined over (K, X, X)

Let's show that F is insecure:

Adversary A: (1) choose arbitrary $x_0 \neq x_1 \in X$

(2) query for $y_0 = f(x_0)$ and $y_1 = f(x_1)$

(3) output '0' if $y_0 \oplus y_1 = x_0 \oplus x_1$, else '1'

$$Pr[EXP(0) = 0] = 1$$
, $Pr[EXP(1) = 0] = 1/2^n$

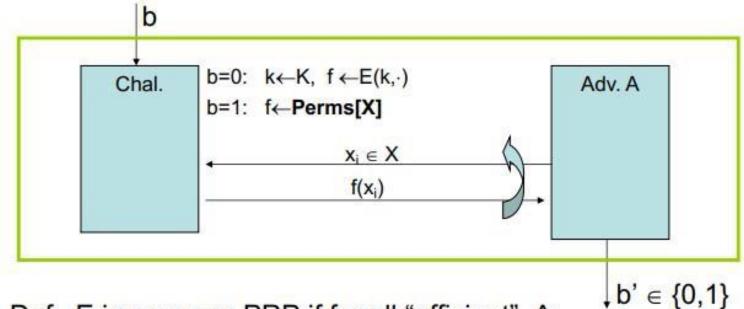
$$\Rightarrow$$
 Adv_{PRF}[A,F] = 1-(1/2ⁿ) (non-neligible)





Secure PRP

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PRFs and PRPs PRF Switching Lemma

Any secure PRP is also a secure PRF.

Lemma: Let E be a PRP over (K, X).

Then for any q-query adversary A:

$$Adv_{PRF}[A,E] - Adv_{PRP}[A,E] < q^2/2|X|$$

⇒ Suppose |X| is large so that q² / 2|X| is "negligible"



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Message integrity

Goal: integrity, no confidentiality.

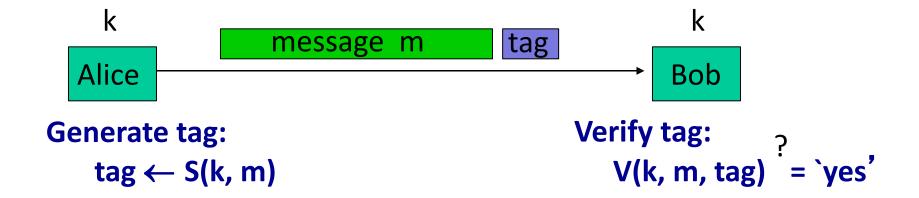
Examples:

- Protecting public binaries on disk.
- Protecting banner ads on web pages.





Message integrity: MACs



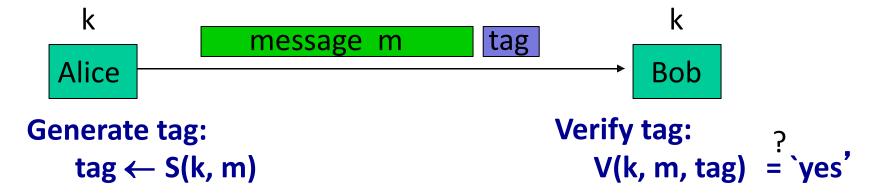
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- S(k,m) outputs t in T
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- S(k,m) outputs t in T
- V(k,m,t) outputs `yes' or `no'
- Attacker can easily modify message m and re-compute CRC.
- OCRC designed to detect **random**, not malicious errors.



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Secure MACs

Attacker's power: **chosen message attack**

o for $m_1, m_2, ..., m_q$ attacker is given $t_i \leftarrow S(k, m_i)$

Attacker's goal: existential forgery

oproduce some **new** valid message/tag pair (m,t).

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

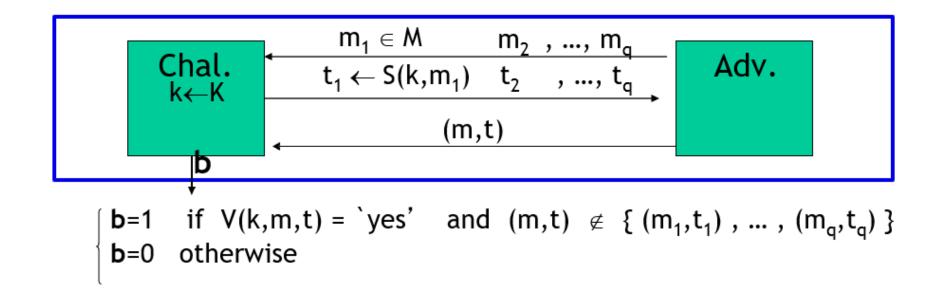
- ⇒ attacker cannot produce a valid tag for a new message
- \Rightarrow given (m,t) attacker cannot even produce (m,t') for t' \neq t





Secure MACs

□ For a MAC I=(S,V) and adv. A define a MAC game as:



Def: I=(S,V) is a **secure MAC** if for all "efficient" A:

 $Adv_{MAC}[A,I] = Pr[Chal. outputs 1]$ is "negligible."

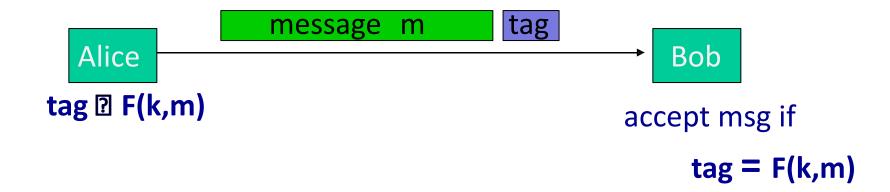


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Secure MACs

For a PRF $\mathbf{F}: \mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{X} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Y}$ define a MAC $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{F}} = (\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{V})$ as:

- S(k,m) := F(k,m)
- V(k,m,t): output 'yes' if t = F(k,m) and 'no' otherwise.





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Secure MACs

<u>Thm</u>: If $F: K \times X \longrightarrow Y$ is a secure PRF and 1/|Y| is negligible

(i.e. |Y| is large) then I_F is a secure MAC.

In particular, for every eff. MAC adversary A

attacking I_F

there exists an eff. PRF adversary B attacking F s.t.:

$$Adv_{MAC}[A, I_F] \leq Adv_{PRF}[B, F] + 1/|Y|$$

 \Rightarrow I_F is secure as long as |Y| is large, say |Y| = 280.



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MAC Examples

- ☐ AES: a MAC for 16-byte messages.
- Main question: how to convert Small-MAC into a Big-MAC ?
- Two main constructions used in practice:
 - CBC-MAC (banking ANSI X9.9, X9.19, FIPS 186-3)
 - HMAC (Internet protocols: SSL, IPsec, SSH, ...)
- Both convert a small-PRF into a big-PRF.





Truncating MACs

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Easy lemma: suppose F: K \times X \longrightarrow \{0,1\}^n is a secure PRF.
Then so is F_t(k,m) = F(k,m)[1...t] for all 1 \le t \le n
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⇒ if (S,V) is a MAC is based on a secure PRF outputting n-bit tags the truncated MAC outputting w bits is secure

... as long as 1/2^w is still negligible (say w≥64)





MACs for long messages

Recall: secure PRF $\mathbf{F} \Rightarrow$ secure MAC, as long as |Y| is large S(k, m) = F(k, m)

Our goal:

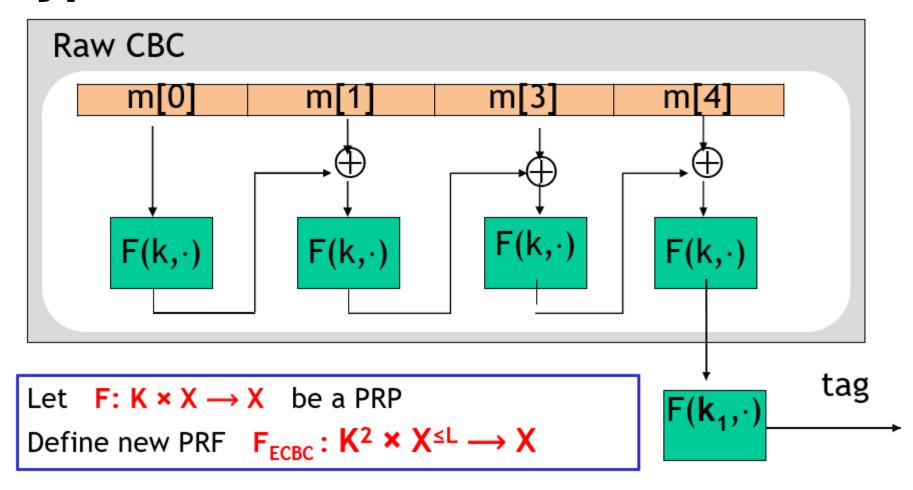
given a PRF for short messages (AES) construct a PRF for long messages

From here on let $X = \{0,1\}^n$ (e.g. n=128)



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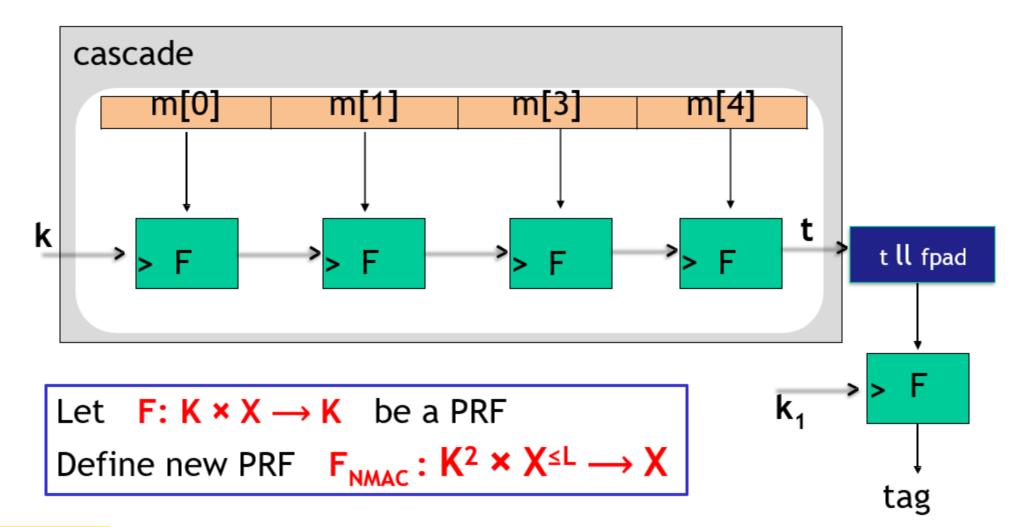
Encrypted CBC-MAC





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NMAC (nested MAC)







eCBC-MAC and NMAC analysis

Theorem: For any L>0,

For every eff. q-query PRF adv. A attacking F_{ECBC} or F_{NMAC} there exists an eff. adversary B s.t.:

$$Adv_{PRF}[A, F_{ECBC}] \le Adv_{PRP}[B, F] + 2 q^2 / |X|$$

$$Adv_{PRF}[A, F_{NMAC}] \le q \cdot L \cdot Adv_{PRF}[B, F] + q^2 / 2|K|$$

CBC-MAC is secure as long as $q \ll |X|^{1/2}$ NMAC is secure as long as $q \ll |K|^{1/2}$ (2⁶⁴ for AES-128)

Suppose we want $Adv_{PRF}[A, F_{FCBC}] \le 1/2^{32} \Leftrightarrow q^2/|X| < 1/2^{32}$

□ AES: $|X| = 2^{128}$ \Rightarrow q < 2^{48}

So, after 248 messages must, must change key

□ 3DES: $|X| = 2^{64} \Rightarrow q < 2^{16}$



Comparison

ECBC-MAC is commonly used as an AES-based MAC

- CCM encryption mode (used in 802.11i)
- NIST standard called CMAC

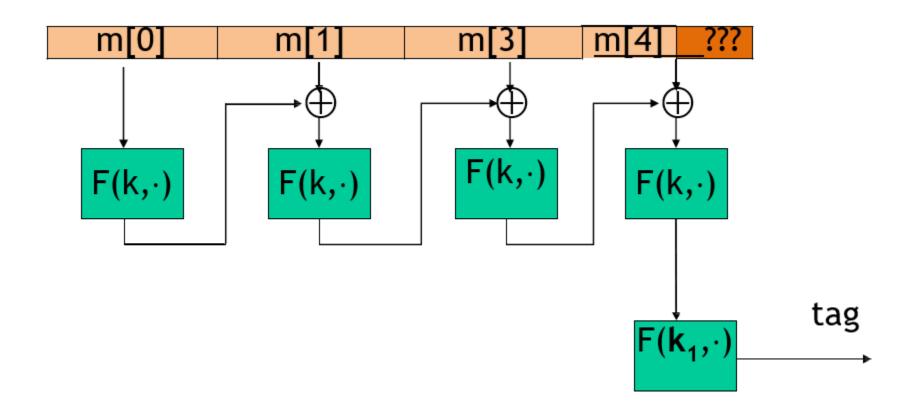
NMAC not usually used with AES or 3DES

- Main reason: need to change AES key on every block requires re-computing AES key expansion
- But NMAC is the basis for a popular MAC called HMAC (next)



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MAC padding







MAC padding

Bad idea: pad m with 0's

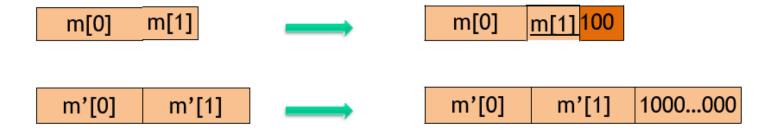


For security, padding must be invertible!

$$m_0 \neq m_1 \Rightarrow pad(m_0) \neq pad(m_1)$$

ISO: pad with "1000...00". Add new dummy block if needed.

The "1" indicates beginning of pad.



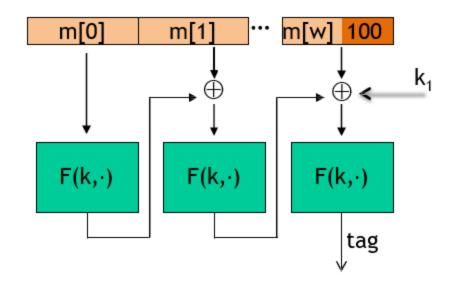


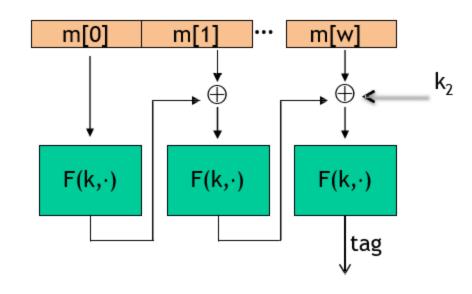


CMAC (NIST standard)

Variant of CBC-MAC where $key = (k, k_1, k_2)$

- No final encryption step (extension attack thwarted by last keyed xor)
- \square No dummy block (ambiguity resolved by use of k_1 or k_2)







HMAC.....

Based on hash function.

Wait!!!



Hash

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Let H: $M \in T$ be a hash function (|M| >> |T|)

Hash function -> "one-way function"

A cryptographic hash function must be able to withstand all known types of cryptanalytic attack. In theoretical cryptography, the security level of a cryptographic hash function has been defined using the following properties:

Pre-image resistance

Given a hash value h it should be difficult to find any message m such that h = hash(m). This concept is related to that of a one-way function. Functions that lack this property are vulnerable to preimage attacks.

Second pre-image resistance

Given an input m1, it should be difficult to find a different input m2 such that hash(m1) = hash(m2). Functions that lack this property are vulnerable to second-preimage attacks.

Collision resistance

It should be difficult to find two different messages m1 and m2 such that hash(m1) = hash(m2). Such a pair is called a cryptographic hash collision. This property is sometimes referred to as strong collision resistance. It requires a hash value at least twice as long as that required for pre-image resistance; otherwise collisions may be found by a birthday attack.

Common hash functions:

- MD5: output 128 bits X (broken) X
- O SHA-1: output 160 bits X (broken) X
- SHA-256: output 256 bits
- SHA-512: output 512 bits
- Whirpool: output 512 bits



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Collision Resistance

A <u>collision</u> for H is a pair m_0 , $m_1 \in M$ such that: $H(m_0) = H(m_1)$ and $m_0 \neq m_1$

A function H is collision resistant if for all (explicit) "eff" algs. A:

 $Adv_{CR}[A,H] = Pr[A outputs collision for H]$ is "negligible".

Example: SHA-256 (outputs 256 bits)



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The birthday paradox

Let $r_1, ..., r_n \in \{1,...,B\}$ be indep. identically distributed integers.

Thm: when
$$n = 1.2 \times B^{1/2}$$
 then $Pr[\exists i \neq j: r_i = r_j] \ge \frac{1}{2}$

Taking it as a "birthday problem" (B=365) -> n=23 then Pr[anyone same birthday] ≥ ½

(proof in https://www.coursera.org/learn/crypto/lecture/pyR4I/generic-birthday-attack)



Generic attack

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H: $M \in \{0,1\}^n$. 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 $(t_i = t_i)$. If not found, got back to step 1.

Expected number of iteration ≈ 2

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

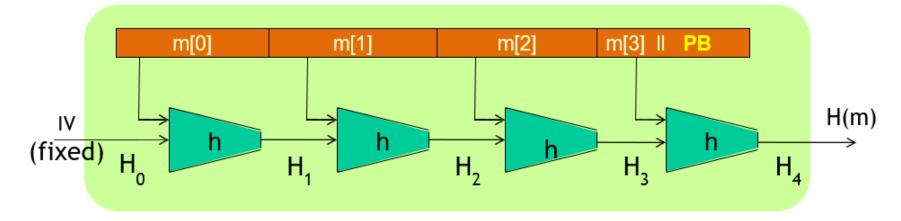
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function	digest <u>size (bits)</u>	Speed (MB/sec)	generic <u>attack time</u>
SHA-1	160	153	2 ⁸⁰
SHA-256	256	111	2 ¹²⁸
SHA-512	512	99	2 ²⁵⁶
Whirlpool	512	57	2 ²⁵⁶





Merkle-Damgard construction



Given $h: T \times X \longrightarrow T$ (compression function)

we obtain $H: X^{\leq L} \longrightarrow T$. H_i - chaining variables

PB: padding block



If no space for PB add another block

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

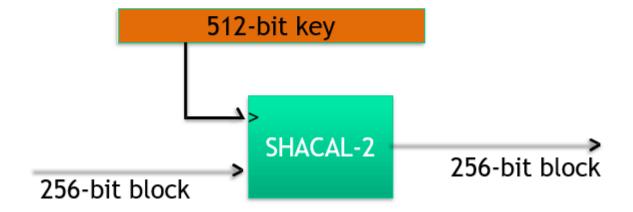
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Case study: SHA-256

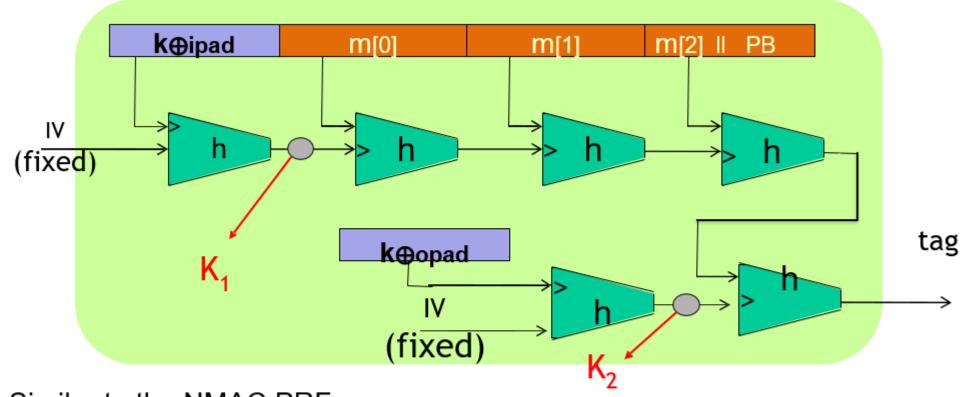
- Merkle-Damgard function
- Davies-Meyer compression function
- Block cipher: SHACAL-2





HMAC





Similar to the NMAC PRF.

main difference: the two keys k₁, k₂ are dependent





HMAC properties

Built from a black-box implementation of SHA-256.

HMAC is assumed to be a secure PRF

- Can be proven under certain PRF assumptions about h(.,.)
- Security bounds similar to NMAC
 - Need $q^2/|T|$ to be negligible $(q << |T|^{\frac{1}{2}})$

In TLS: must support HMAC-SHA1-96

With HMAC is a Secure MAC with the sole assumption of h(.,.) is a secure PRF.



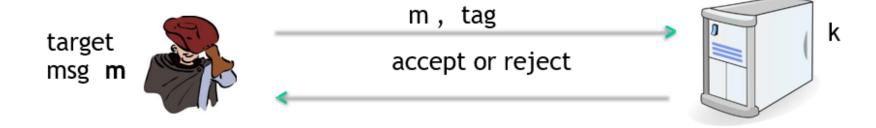
Verification timing attacks!

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Example: Keyczar crypto library (Python) [simplified]

def Verify(key, msg, sig_bytes):
 return HMAC(key, msg) == sig_bytes

The problem: '==' implemented as a byte-by-byte comparison Comparator returns false when first inequality found



Timing attack: to compute tag for target message m do:

Step 1: Query server with random tag

Step 2: Loop over all possible first bytes and query server.

stop when verification takes a little longer than in step 1

Step 3: repeat for all tag bytes until valid tag found



Verification timing attacks!

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Defense 1

Make string comparator always take same time (Python):

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return false if sig_bytes has wrong length
result = 0
for x, y in zip( HMAC(key,msg) , sig_bytes):
    result |= ord(x) ^ ord(y)
return result == 0
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Can be difficult to ensure due to optimizing compiler.

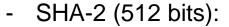
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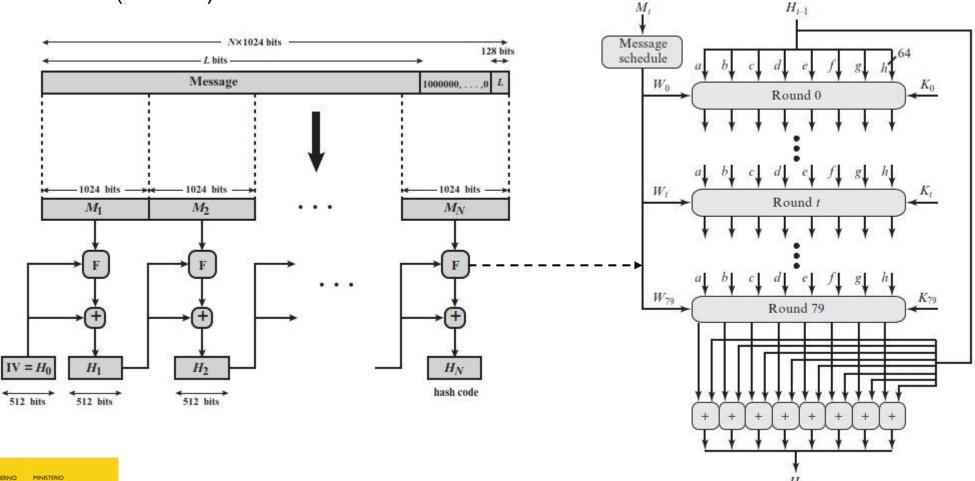
Attacker doesn't know values being compared



Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA)

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- In 1993, NIST published SHA-0 and updated it to SHA-1 in 1995, due to discovered weakness
- In 2002, NIST defined three new versions of SHA (SHA-2) as a replacement of SHA-1

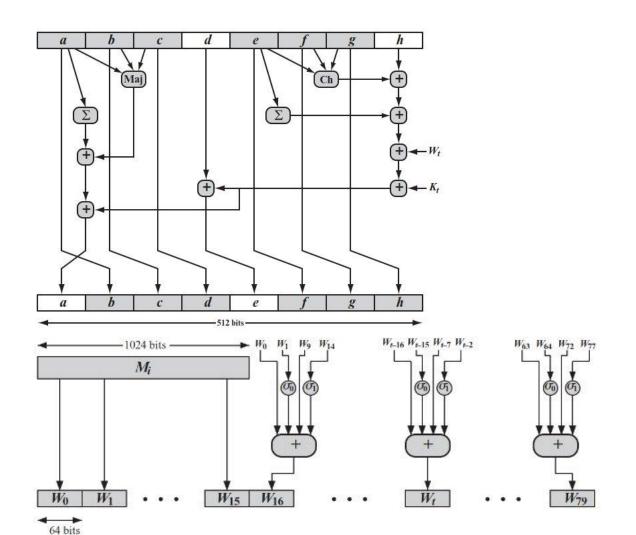






Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA-2)





t = step number;
$$0 \le t \le 79$$

 $Ch(e, f, g) = (e \text{ AND } f) \oplus (\text{NOT } e \text{ AND } g)$
 $Maj(a, b, c) = (a \text{ AND } b) \oplus (a \text{ AND } c) \oplus (b \text{ AND } c)$
 $(\Sigma_0^{512}a) = \text{ROTR}^{28}(a) \oplus \text{ROTR}^{34}(a) \oplus \text{ROTR}^{39}(a)$
 $(\Sigma_1^{512}e) = \text{ROTR}^{14}(e) \oplus \text{ROTR}^{18}(e) \oplus \text{ROTR}^{41}(e)$
 $ROTR^n(x) = \text{circular right shift (rotation) of the 64-bit argument } x \text{ by } n \text{ bits}$
 $W_t = a 64\text{-bit word derived from the current 1024-bit input block}$
 $K_t = a 64\text{-bit additive constant}$
 $+ = \text{addition modulo } 2^{64}$

$$W_{t} = \sigma_{1}^{512}(W_{t-2}) + W_{t-7} + \sigma_{0}^{512}(W_{t-15}) + W_{t-16}$$

where

$$\sigma_0^{512}(x) = \text{ROTR}^1(x) \oplus \text{ROTR}^8(x) \oplus \text{SHR}^7(x)$$

$$\sigma_1^{512}(x) = \text{ROTR}^{19}(x) \oplus \text{ROTR}^{61}(x) \oplus \text{SHR}^{6}(x)$$

 $ROTR^{n}(x) = circular right shift (rotation) of the 64-bit argument x by n bits$

 $SHR^{n}(x) = right shift of the 64-bit argument x by n bits with padding by zeros on the left$



LABORATORY

Laboratory_02: Python hashing

Laboratory_03: Hashcat

