

NO CLASS

## RSA

- "Textbook" RSA

- Some Attacks

- PKCS v1.5

- RSA signatures

Outline for today's class

and how the internet standards deal with it.

## Textbook RSA

Gen: Choose 2 large distinct primes  $p, q$  and

$$N = pq$$

choose  $(e, d)$  st  $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$

Public Key:  $\langle N, e \rangle$

Private Key:  $\langle d, p, q \rangle$

Given we know Primality testing (Miller Rabin, etc),

, [Algorithms course]  
(Kannan, et al)  
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so we do not prove that this is efficiently computable.

Enc:  $m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$

$$C = m^e \pmod N$$

Efficient algos for both exist

padding technique

Dec:  $c \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$

$$m = c^d \pmod N$$

Now for correctness, by Euler's theorem

$$a^{\phi(N)} \equiv 1 \pmod N$$

Defn:  $\phi(N)$  is the no. of nos.  $< N$  that are co-prime to  $N$

Euler's totient

euler's theorem

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euler's totient  
of  $N=pq$

$$\text{Now, } (m^e)^d \pmod N = m^{ed} \pmod N$$

$$\text{Again, and now, } m^{\phi(N)} \pmod N = 1$$

$$\text{and } \phi(pq) = (p-1)(q-1)$$

$$\text{and we know } ed \equiv 1 \pmod N$$

$$\text{or } N \mid (ed) + 1$$

Textbook RSA is not CPA-secure

Now going back to Textbook RSA,

- it is deterministic
- so, is ciphertext-only secure, not CPA secure

but in public key systems, notion of adversary does not have oracle access is meaningless. As it is public



so, CPA is easily mountable  
 $\Rightarrow$  minimum security required for PKC is CPA-secure

$\Rightarrow$  there can be no PKC system that is deterministic, as

- deterministic  $\Rightarrow$  no CPA security

- PKC needs a min of CPA security.

Looking at other attacks

• If  $e=3$  (or small)

and  $m$  is also small

eg:  $m < \sqrt[3]{N}$

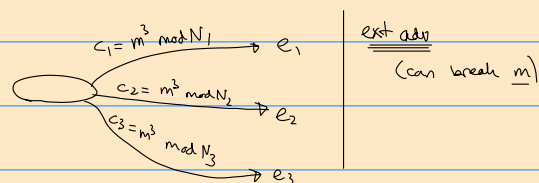
$$c = m^3 \bmod N$$

$$\Rightarrow c = m^3$$

$$\text{or } m = \sqrt[3]{c}$$

• Same  $e$  with multiple people

eg:  $e=3$ ,  $N_1, N_2, N_3$



consider:  $\begin{cases} x = c_1 \bmod N_1 \\ x = c_2 \bmod N_2 \\ x = c_3 \bmod N_3 \end{cases}$  CRT says  $\exists$  unique  $x$  such that all 3 hold.

Unique  $x \in [0, N_1 N_2 N_3 - 1]$  s.t. Chinese Remainder Theorem

Looking at the suggestions for modified RSA

"Recommended by current Internet": PKCS v.1.5

((  $\exists$  no proof that this rec is secure ))

(( but  $\exists$  other algo (nonstandard) that are provably secure ))

Gen: • Same as regular RSA

• there are some restrictions on prime selection, but we can just say "any large primes should work"

we modify this to make it secure.

Enc:

Ciphertext  $C = [ \text{ } ]^e \text{ mod } N$

$\log N$  bit no. /  $(\log N)_8$  byte no.  $\approx K$ -byte no.

Constructing the number

first byte : fixed (01000000, he says from memory)

second " : " all 0s

then, at least

8 more bytes

are filled with random (not truly random - none can be all 0s)

then, another set of 00000000

then, message  $m$  (at most  $K-11$  bytes)

for decryption:

- ignore first byte
- " second "
- " byte after byte after byte until we hit another all-0 byte.
- then, print the rest as message.

General Idea of Working

Somehow, they decided

- first 16 MSBs are very weak
- ???

- at least 64 bits of random  $r$  recommended

↳ but not fixed. So message sent unknown, cannot build easy algo  
 $\Rightarrow$  getting to hard-core predicate (RSA vs LSB) difficulty.

$h(\text{RSA})$  is LSB

$\sim \sim$  this is modern internet.

Q: Can RSA be made provably secure?

A: Yes. RSA-OAEP (Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding)

RSA based schemes are hard to prove. For provable we use discrete log based schemes, like El Gamal.

RSA-based Digital Signatures

(will show deterministic  $\rightarrow$  attacks  $\rightarrow$  randomised)

Defining signatures

$A \xrightarrow{m} B$  • auth data  
 • auth user

so

$A \xrightarrow{m, \sigma} B$  s.t. •  $\sigma$  Alg known to everyone

•  $\text{sign}$  uses private key of  $A$

•  $\text{Verify}$  uses public key of  $A$  to verify signature done by  $A$ .

Req: • Adv should not be able to produce new  $m, \sigma$  without sk.

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RSA-signature says,

$\text{sign}(d, m)$

$$m^d \bmod N = \sigma$$

Signature

$\text{verify}(m, e, \sigma)$

$$= \text{yes if } \sigma^e \bmod N = m$$

Sign yourself with sk  
Verify by others with pk.

## Breaking Vanilla (Textbook) RSA-sign

I. choosing  $m$ , then  $\sigma$  is hard.

But, do reverse:

1. Choose random signature  $\sigma$
2. Compute  $\sigma^e \bmod N$
3. Send  $\langle \sigma^e \bmod N, \sigma \rangle \rightarrow$

$$\text{Verify}(\sigma^e \bmod N, \sigma, (N, e)) = \text{yes}.$$

## II. Improved Attack

- suppose I have  $\langle m_1, \sigma_1 \rangle$  sent by A.
- A also sent  $\langle m_2, \sigma_2 \rangle$
- We produce third message that A never sent:

$$\langle m_1 m_2 \bmod N, \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \bmod N \rangle$$

now, CPA from this:

we want to sign  $M$

- ask for  $\sigma$  for  $m_1$
- ask for  $\sigma$  for  $m_2$

$$\text{st } M = m_1 m_2$$

} Done

New Paradigm:

instead of signing directly

## Hash and Sign Paradigm

signature  $\sigma = [H(m)]^d \bmod N$

Yes if  $\sigma^e \bmod N = H(m)$

Signing

Verifying

Why do old attacks not work?

Collision resistance

Proof: none for RSA

Rest of Course:

- a) A few more PKCs
- b) Proof of CPA security for El-Gamal PKC
- c) El-Gamal is not CCA-secure
- d) CCA-secure PKCs

This should be done by mid-merch

then sir will ↙ "talk about what we actually want to do"  
"freedom to work, not freedom from work"