### CIS 4930: Secure IoT

Lecture 5

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### Class Notes

- Required to submit the finalized project for your team so meet with me **asap** to do that!
- Teams that have met -> submit the finalized proposal and begin work!
- **Midterm date**: 10/15

### From Last Class

- Message Authentication Codes (MAC):
	- Generate and send a value computed using the original message and a secret key
	- Provides authenticity and integrity
- Hash functions:
	- One-way function to generate fixed-length *hash (or digest)*
	- One of the use-cases: Generating MACs!

### General Structure of Hash



- $IV = Initial value$
- $CV_i =$  chaining variable
- $Y_i$  = *i*th input block
- $f =$  compression algorithm
- $L =$  number of input blocks
- $n =$  length of hash code
- $b =$  length of input block

### Message Extension Attack

- Why is  $MAC_k(M) = H(k|M)$  bad?
- How can Eve append M' to M?
	- Goal: compute H(k|M|M') without knowing k
- Solution: Use H(k|M) as IV for next f iteration in H()

### A Better MAC

- **Objectives** 
	- Use available hash functions without modification
	- Easily replace embedded hash function as more secure ones are found
	- **Preserve original performance of hash function**
	- Easy to use



<sup>(</sup>from Stallings, Crypto and Net Security)

### Basic truths of cryptography



- Cryptography is not frequently the source of security problems
	- Algorithms are well known and widely studied
	- Vetted through crypto community
	- Avoid any "proprietary" encryption
	- Claims of "new technology" or "perfect security" are almost assuredly **snake oil**



# Building systems/apps with cryptography

- Use quality libraries
	- SSLeay, cryptolib, openssl
	- Find out what cryptographers think of a package before using it
- Code review like crazy
- Educate yourself on how to use library
	- Understand caveats by original designer and programmer





- **Without knowing** *k1***, Eve can't read Alice's message.**
- **Without knowing** *k2***, Eve can't compute a valid MAC for her forged message.**

### Private-key crypto is like a door lock



Why?

### Public Key Crypto (10,000 ft view)

- Separate keys for encryption and decryption
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# Public Key Cryptography

Each key pair consists of a public and private component: k<sup>+</sup> (public key), k<sup>-</sup> (private key)

$$
D_{k^-}(E_{k^+}(m))=m
$$

- Public keys are distributed (typically) through public key certificates
	- Anyone can communicate secretly with you *if they have your certificate*

#### RSA

### (Rivest, Shamir, Adelman)

- The dominant public key algorithm
	- The algorithm itself is conceptually simple
	- Why it is secure is very deep (number theory)
	- Uses properties of exponentiation modulo a product of large primes

"A method for obtaining Digital Signatures and Public Key Cryptosystems", Communications of the ACM, Feb. 1978.



## Modular Arithmetic

- Integers  $Z_n = \{0, 1, 2, ..., n-1\}$
- x mod  $n =$  remainder of x divided by n
	- 5 mod  $13 = 5$
	- 13 mod  $5 = 3$
- y is **modular inverse** of x iff **xy mod n = 1**
	- E.g.  $Z_{11}$  -> 4 is inverse of 3, 5 is inverse of 9, 7 is inverse of 8
- If **n is prime**, then Z<sub>n</sub> has modular inverses for all integers except 0

# Euler's Totient Function

- **coprime**: having no common positive factors other than 1 (also called **relatively prime**)
	- 16 and 25 are coprime
	- 6 and 27 are not coprime
- **Euler's Totient Function**: Φ(n) = number of integers less than or equal to n that are coprime with n

$$
\Phi(n) = n \cdot \prod_{p \mid n} (1 - \frac{1}{p})
$$

where product ranges over distinct primes dividing n

If m and n are coprime, then  $\Phi(mn) = \Phi(m)\Phi(n)$ 

If m is prime, then  $\Phi(m) = m - 1$ 

## Euler's Totient Function

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\Phi(n) = n \cdot \prod_{p \mid n} (1 - \frac{1}{p})
$$

$$
\Phi(18)=\Phi(3^2\cdot 2^1)=18\big(1-\frac{1}{3}\big)\big(1-\frac{1}{2}\big)=6
$$

**For primes and co-primes:**

If m and n are coprime, then  $\Phi(mn) = \Phi(m)\Phi(n)$ 

If m is prime, then  $\Phi(m) = m - 1$ 

# RSA Key Generation

#### **Example:**

- $1.$  Choose distinct primes p and q
- $2.$  Compute  $n = pq$
- $3.$  Compute  $\Phi(n) = \Phi(pq)$  = Φ(p)Φ(q)= (p-1)(q-1)
- 4. Randomly choose  $1 \leq e \leq \Phi(pq)$ such that e and  $\Phi$ (pq) are coprime. e is the **public key exponent**
- **5.** Compute d= $e^{-1}$  mod( $\Phi$ (pq)). d is the **private key exponent**

let p=3, q=11 n=33

 $\Phi$ (pq)=(3-1)(11-1)=20

let e=7

ed mod  $\Phi(pq) = 1$  $7d \mod 20 = 1$  $d = 3$ 

# RSA Encryption/Decryption

- Public key k <sup>+</sup> is {e,n} and private key k<sup>-</sup> is {d,n}
- Encryption and Decryption

 $E_{k+}(M)$  : ciphertext = plaintext<sup>e</sup> mod n

 $D_{k-}$ (ciphertext) : plaintext = ciphertext<sup>d</sup> mod n

- **Example** 
	- **Public key (7,33), Private Key (3,33)**
	- Plaintext: 4
	- E( $\{7,33\}$ ,4) =  $4^7$  mod 33 = 16384 mod 33 = 16
	- D( $\{3,33\}$ , 16) = 16<sup>3</sup> mod 33 = 4096 mod 33 = 4

# Is RSA Secure?

- {*e,n*} is public information
- If you could factor *<sup>n</sup>*into *p\*q,* then
	- could compute  $\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$
	- could compute  $d = e^{-1} \mod \phi(n)$
	- would know the private key <*d*,*n*>!
- But: factoring large integers is hard!
	- classical problem worked on for centuries; no known reliable, fast method

# Security (Cont'd)

- At present, key sizes of 1024 bits are considered to be secure, but 2048 bits is better
- Tips for making *<sup>n</sup>* difficult to factor
	- *1.<sup>p</sup>* and *<sup>q</sup>* lengths should be similar (ex.: ~500 bits each if key is 1024 bits)
	- 2.both (*p*-1) and (*q*-1) should contain a "large" prime factor
	- $3. \gcd(p-1, q-1)$  should be "small"
	- *4.d* should be larger than *<sup>n</sup>* 1/4

## **RSA**

- Most public key systems use at least 1,024-bit keys
	- Key size not comparable to symmetric key algorithms
- RSA is *much slower* than most symmetric crypto algorithms
	- AES: ~161 MB/s
	- $\bullet$  RSA:  $\sim$ 82 KB/s
	- This is **too** slow to use for modern network communication!
	- Solution: Use **hybrid model**

# Hybrid Cryptosystems

- **•** In practice, public-key cryptography is used to secure and distribute *session keys*.
- These keys are used with symmetric algorithms for communication.
- Sender generates a random session key, encrypts it using receiver's public key and sends it.
- Receiver decrypts the message to recover the session key.
- Both encrypt/decrypt their communications using the same key.
- Key is destroyed in the end.

# Hybrid Cryptosystems



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What happens if we flip the order?

### Encryption using private key

• Encryption and Decryption  $E_{k-1}(M)$  : ciphertext = plaintext<sup>d</sup> mod n  $D_{k+}$ (ciphertext) : plaintext = ciphertext<sup>e</sup> mod n

- $\bullet$  E.g.,
	- E( $\{3,33\}$ ,4) =  $4^3$  mod 33 = 64 mod 33 = 31
	- D( $\{7,33\}$ , 31) = 31<sup>7</sup> mod 33 = 27, 512, 614, 111 mod 33  $= 4$
- Q: *Why encrypt with private key?*
	- *Non Repudiation!*

# Digital Signatures

- A digital signature serves the same purpose as a real signature.
	- It is a mark that only sender can make
	- Other people can easily recognize it as belonging to the sender
- Digital signatures must be:
	- **Unforgeable**: If Alice signs message M with signature S, it is impossible for someone else to produce the pair (M, S).
	- **Authentic**: If Bob receives the pair (M, S) and knows Alice's public key, he can check ("verify") that the signature is really from Alice
	- Example: Code signing

### How can Alice *sign* a digital document?

- Digital document: M
- Since RSA is slow, hash M to compute digest:  $m = h(M)$
- Signature:  $Sig(M) = E_{k-1}(m) = m<sup>d</sup> \text{ mod } n$ 
	- Since only Alice knows k- , only she can create the signature
- To verify: Verify(M,Sig(M))
	- Bob computes  $h(M)$  and compares it with  $D_{k+}(Sig(M))$
	- Bob can compute  $D_{k+}(Sig(M))$  since he knows  $k^+$  (Alice's public key)
	- If and only if they match, the signature is verified (otherwise, verification fails)

# Putting it all together

Define m = "Network security is fun!"



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### Birthday Attack and Signatures

- Since signatures depend on hash functions, they also depend on the hash function's collision resistance
- Don't use MD5, and start moving away from SHA1

Dear Anthony,



(advantageous) to both our companies. an advantage

> Figure 11.7 A Letter in  $2^{37}$  Variations (from Stallings, Crypto and Net Security) 30

# Properties of a Digital Signature

- **No forgery possible:** No one can forge a message that is purportedly from Alice
- Authenticity check: If you get a signed message you should be able to verify that it's really from Alice
- **No alteration/Integrity:** No party can undetectably alter a signed message
- Provides authentication, integrity, and **nonrepudiation** (cannot deny having signed a signed message)

### Non-Repudiation



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Problem? YES. *How do we know if Alice's key is really Alice's?*

### But how do we *verify* we're using the correct public key?



Short answer: We can't.

### It's turtles all the way down.



# Why not just use a database?

- Every user has his/her own public key and private key.
- Public keys are all published in a database.
- Alice gets Bob's public key from the database
- Alice encrypts the message and sends it to Bob using Bob's public key.
- Bob decrypts it using his private key.
- **What's the problem with this approach?**

## Solving the Turtles Problem • We need a **trust anchor**

- - there must be someone with authority
	- requires *a priori* trust
- Solution: form a trust hierarchy
	- "I believe **X** because..."
	- " **Y** vouches for **X** and..."
	- " **Z** vouches for **Y** and..."
	- "I implicitly trust **Z**."



## Browser **Certificate**





# What's a certificate?

- A certificate …
	- … **makes an association between an identity and a private key**
	- $\ldots$  contains public key information  $\{e, n\}$
	- ... has a validity period
	- … is signed by some *certificate authority* (CA)
	- ... identity may have been vetted by a *registration authority* (RA)
- People trust CA (e.g., Verisign) to vet identity

### Why do I trust the certificate?

- A collections of *"root" CA certificates (self-signed)*
	- ... baked into your browser
	- •… vetted by the browser manufacturer
	- ... supposedly closely guarded
	- •*trust anchor*
- Root certificates used to validate certificate
	- Vouches for certificate's authenticity

#### Certificate Manager





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#### Your connection is not private

Attackers might be trying to steal your information from www.csc.ncsu.edu (for example, passwords, messages, or credit cards). NET::ERR\_CERT\_COMMON\_NAME\_INVALID

Automatically report details of possible security incidents to Google. Privacy policy

Advanced

**Back to safety** 

# Public Key Infrastructure

- •Hierarchy of keys used to authenticate certificates
- •Requires a **root of trust** (i.e., a **trust anchor**)

# What is a PKI?

• Rooted tree of CAs







# Obtaining a Certificate

- $1$ . Alice has some identity document  $A^{1D}$  and generates a keypair (A<sup>-</sup>,  $\mathsf{A}^{\mathsf{+}}$
- $2.A \rightarrow CA: {A<sup>+</sup>, A<sup>1D</sup>}, Sig(A<sup>-</sup>, {A<sup>+</sup>, A<sup>1D</sup>})$ 
	- CA verifies signature -- proves Alice has A
	- CA may (and should!) also verify A<sup>ID</sup> offline
- $3$ .CA signs { $A<sup>+</sup>$ ,  $A<sup>1D</sup>$ } with its private key (CA-)
	- CA attests to binding between A+ and A<sup>ID</sup>
- $4.CA \rightarrow A: {A<sup>+</sup>, A<sup>ID</sup>}, Sig(CA<sup>-</sup>, {A<sup>+</sup>, A<sup>ID</sup>})$ 
	- this is the certificate; Alice can freely publish it
	- anyone who knows CA<sup>+</sup> (and can therefore validate the CA's signature) knows that CA "attested to" {A<sup>+</sup>, A<sup>ID</sup>}
	- note that CA never learns A-
- Any CA may sign any certificate
- Browser weighs all root CAs equally
- *Q: Is this problematic?*

### The DigiNotar Incident



# DigiNotar Incident

- DigiNotar is a CA based in the Netherlands that is (well, was) trusted by most OSes and browsers
- July 2011: Issued fake certificate for gmail.com to site in Iran that ran MitM attack...
- ... this fooled most browsers, but...



# DigiNotar Incident

- As added security measure, Google Chrome hardcodes fingerprint of Google's certificate
- Since DigiNotar didn't issue Google's true certificate, this caused an error message in Chrome



### How secure is the verifier?

- What happens if attacker is able to insert his public root CA key to the verifier's list of trusted CAs?
- More generally, what are the consequences if the verifier is compromised?
- Q: What's the consequences for IoT devices/apps?

### The End