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## Information and Communications Security (WS 2014/15)

## Exam preparation session

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## Can you explain this picture please? Mixes - Internally

## Avoid linkability risks

Replay Look Timing

Question:

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## Mixes and Onion Routing



- Communication is anonymised by multiple mix servers, also called onion routers.
- Both onion routing and JAP are based on the same Mix concept.


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## Mixes


$\left[A_{\text {Mix } 1}, e_{\text {Mix } 1}\left(A_{\text {Mix } 2}, e_{\text {Mix } 2}\left(M, r_{a}\right), r_{b}\right)\right]$

- Decode, buffer, reorder, and resend incoming messages
- Protect unlinkability of input / output messages
- Protect unobservability of connections and relations
- No single point of trust / failure
[Chaum1981]

Symbols:
A address
e() encryption function d() decryption function M core message
r random value
[] message boundary

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## Mix network

- Choose the way of your message through the mixes!
- Protection guaranteed as long as one chosen mix withstands attacks.
- Free path results in additional confusion, but smaller anonymity set.

Mix 1-Mi. 2-Mix 3


Mx 7 - Mix $8-\operatorname{Mix} 9$
$\left[\mathbf{A}_{\text {Mix } 7 \prime} \mathbf{e}_{\text {Mix }}\left(\mathbf{A}_{\text {Mix } 4 r} \mathbf{e}_{\text {Mix } 4}\left(\mathbf{A}_{\text {Mix } 5 \prime} \mathbf{e}_{\text {Mix } 5}\left(\mathbf{A}_{\text {Mix } 2 \prime} \mathbf{e}_{\text {Mix } 2}\left(M, r_{a}\right), r_{b}\right), r_{c}\right), r_{d}\right)\right]$

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## Mix cascade

## Mix $1-$ Mix $\underset{\text { _-IVIX } 3}{\longrightarrow}[M]$

$\left[e_{\text {Mix1 }}\left(e_{\text {Mix } 2}\left(e_{\text {Mix }}\left(M, r_{a}\right), r_{b}\right), r_{c}\right)\right]$

- Fixed Path through the network
- No mix addresses required in messages
- All traffic flows over the same mixes.
- Protection guaranteed as long as one mix withstands attacks


## Mixes - Internally

## Avoid linkability risks

Replay Look Timing

Compare $\rightarrow$ Decode $\rightarrow$| Add dummies |
| :---: |$\rightarrow$ Reorder

All messages ever received

## Question

- Shouldn't the solution in Exercise 1 (Authentication) be:
a. $62^{n}$ instead of 36 ?
b. $26 \times 10 \times 62^{n-2}$ instead of $62^{\text {n }}$ ?


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- Well spotted! The solution provided in the website was not identical to the presentation done in the Exercise session. It contained a solution to a different task.
- The solution presented in the class was correct.
- The solution file has been updated in the website.


## Password combinations

- Assume that you are only allowed to use a combination of letters and numbers to construct a password. For the letters, let us assume we are using the English alphabet.
a. How many different passwords are possible if a password is exactly $n$ characters long, and passwords are not case sensitive?
b. How about when we have a distinction between case-sensitive and non-case-sensitive characters?


## a) Password combinations:

- Step by step:
- Each character can be either a letter or a number.
- Each letter can have 26 possible values.
- Each number can have 10 possible values.
- If password is 1 -character long, we can have

One of the 26 letters $O R$ one of the 10 numbers $=$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\underline{26+10=36} \\
\text { different options. }
\end{gathered}
$$

- For 2 characters, we have

$$
\begin{gathered}
(\text { Letter or number }) ~ \\
3 \underline{36} 36=36^{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

- For 3 characters, we have

$$
36 * 36 * 36=36^{3}
$$

- For $n$ characters, we can have

$$
36 * 36 * 36 * \ldots * 36 \text { (n-times) }=\underline{36^{n}}
$$

different combinations.

## b) Password combinations:

We have $n$ characters for the password and each one can be an uppercase letter, or lowercase letter or a digit.
Each character can possibly have

$$
26+26+10=62
$$

different values.

For $n$ characters, $\underline{62^{n}}$ different combinations can be used as a password.

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## Questions

## Lecture 5:

1.Can you show the multiplicative inverse of d please?
2. How do you get $e=17$ ? Is it because of $e$
$=n-\left((p-1)^{*}(q-1)\right)$ ? And why is $d=53$ ? Can the sender of a message choose $d$ by his own? Are for $d$ only prime numbers possible?

## RSA Encryption

- To encrypt a message $M$, using a public key $(e, n)$, proceed as follows ( $e$ and $n$ are a pair of positive integers):
- First represent the message as an integer between 0 and $n-1$ (break long messages into a series of blocks, and represent each block as such an integer).
- Then encrypt the message by raising it to the $e^{\text {th }}$ power modulo $n$.
- The result (the ciphertext $C$ ) is the remainder of $M^{e}$ divided by $n$.
- The encryption key is thus the pair of positive integers (e,n).


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## RSA Decryption

- To decrypt the ciphertext, raise it to another power $\boldsymbol{d}$, again modulo $n$.
- The decryption key is the pair of positive integers (d,n).
- Each user makes his encryption key public, and keeps the corresponding decryption key private.
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## RSA Encryption/Decryption Summary

- $C \equiv E(M) \equiv M^{e}(\bmod n)$, for a message $M$
- $M \equiv D(C) \equiv C^{d}(\bmod n)$, for a ciphertext $C$


## Choosing the Keys (I)

- You first compute $\boldsymbol{n}$ as the product of two primes $p$ and $q$.
- $n=p^{*} q$
- These primes are very large "random" primes.
- Although you will make $n$ public, the factors $p$ and $q$ will be effectively hidden from everyone else due to the enormous difficulty of factoring n.
- This also hides the way, how $\boldsymbol{d}$ can be derived from $e$.


## Choosing the Keys (II)

- You then choose an integer $\boldsymbol{d}$ to be a large, random integer which is relatively prime to $(p-1) *(q-1)$.
- That is, check that d satisfies:
- The greatest common divisor of d and $(\mathrm{p}-1)^{*}(\mathrm{q}-1)$ is 1 .
$-\operatorname{gcd}\left(\mathrm{d},(\mathrm{p}-1)^{*}(\mathrm{q}-1)\right)=1$


## Choosing the Keys (III)

- The integer $\boldsymbol{e}$ is finally computed from $p, q$, and $d$ to be the "multiplicative inverse" of $d$, modulo $(p-1)^{*}(q-1)$.
- Thus we have

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e^{*} d \equiv 1\left(\bmod (p-1)^{*}(q-1)\right)
$$

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## Example (I)

- Let $\mathrm{p}=7$ and $\mathrm{q}=11$.
- Then n=77.
- Alice chooses $\mathrm{d}=53$, so $\mathrm{e}=17$.
- $\operatorname{gcd}\left(\mathrm{d},(\mathrm{p}-1)^{*}(\mathrm{q}-1)\right)=$ $\operatorname{gcd}\left(53,(7-1)^{*}(11-1)\right)=$ $\operatorname{gcd}(53,60)=1$
- $e^{*} d \bmod (p-1)^{*}(q-1)=$ $901 \bmod 60=1$


## Example (II)

- Bob wants to send Alice the message „Hello World"
- Each plaintext character is represented by a number between $00(\mathrm{~A})$ and $25(\mathrm{Z})$.
- Therefore, we have the plaintext as:


Based on [Bi05]

## Example (III)

- Using Alice’ s public key the ciphertext is:
- $07^{17} \bmod 77=28$
- $04^{17} \bmod 77=16$
- $11^{17} \bmod 77=44$
- $03^{17} \bmod 77=75$

Hello<br>World



- Or 281644444238224219 4475


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## Example (IV)

- Alice decrypts the ciphertext by calculating:
- $28^{53} \bmod 77=07$
- $16^{53} \bmod 77=04$
- $44^{53} \bmod 77=11$
- $75^{53} \bmod 77=03$
- Or: 0704111114262214 171103 = "Hello World"


## Question

1. What is meant by "mistakenly generalized" in Lecture 6, slide 9? Does is mean, that the hash function is missing?

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## Asymmetric Signature Systems: Examples

- RSA: Rivest, Shamir, Adleman
- Asymmetric encryption system which also can be used as a signature system via "inverted use",
- Message encrypted with the private key (= signing key) gives the signature,
- Decoding with the public key (=testing key) has to produce the message.
- DSA: Digital Signature Algorithm
- Determined in the Digital Signature Standard of the NIST (USA),
- Based on discrete logarithms (Schnorr, ElGamal),
- Key length is set to 1024 bit.


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Asymmetric Signature System (Simplified Example RSA)

Sender / Signer
Addressee / Verifier

check for equality

O Signing key s only with the sender, test key t public
© Example is often mistakenly generalized.

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Sender / Signer

encrypt with s
s (H(Text))

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## Question

Lecture 6:

1. "Clearly notify the signer that a signature is created before the signature is created"?

## SigG Requirements as to Technical Components

Example: display of data (§ 17(2)) [SigG01]
The signature component must:

- Clearly notify the signer that a signature is to be created before the signature is created
- Make clearly perceptible which data the signature refers to
- Secure the accordance of displayed data and signed data ("What you see is what you sign.")


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## Question

Lecture 10

1. What is the difference between a firewall and a demilitarized zone? What are advantages/disadvantages?

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## Firewall

- „A firewall is an internetwork gateway that restricts data communication traffic to and from one of the connected networks (the one said to be inside the firewall) and thus protects that network's system resources against threats from the other network (the one that is said to be outside the firewall)." [RFC 2828]


## Firewall



Firewall

## Internet

## Demilitarized Zone (DMZ)

- The DMZ is a portion of a network, that separates a purely internal network from an external network. [Bi05]
- The "outer firewall" sits between the Internet and the internal network.
- The DMZ provides limited public access to various servers.
- The "inner firewall" sits between the DMZ and the subnets not to be accessed by the public.


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## Network using a DMZ


[Bi05]

## Question

- Can you explain the Chinese wall model again, please? Here I can't understand, why on slide 43, lecture 3, a subject is able to access data from two different companies; what is about preventing the conflict of interest in this context?


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## Chinese Wall Model

- The Chinese Wall (CW) model is a model of a security policy that refers equally to confidentiality and integrity.
- It describes policies that involve a conflict of interest in business.
- The environment of a stock exchange or investment house is the most natural environment for this model.
- In this context, the goal of the model is to prevent a conflict of interest in which a trader represents two clients.


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## Definitions

- The objects of the database are items of information related to a company.
- A company dataset (CD) contains objects related to a single company.
- A conflict of interest (COI) class contains the datasets of companies in competition.


## CW - Simple Security Condition

- s can read o if and only if any of the following holds:

1. There is an object $o^{\prime}$ such that $s$ has accessed $o^{\prime}$ and $C D\left(o^{\prime}\right)=C D(0)$.
2. For all objects $o^{\prime}, o^{\prime} \in \operatorname{PR}(s)$
=> $\mathrm{COI}\left(\mathrm{o}^{\prime}\right) \neq \mathrm{COI}(\mathrm{o})$
3. o is a sanitized object.
$P R(s)$ are the files already opened by $s$.

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## Example



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## Example



## Question

- Can you show one more example for how to create a role based access control security model?
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## Role Based Access Control

- The ability or need, to access information may depend on one 's job functions.
- This suggests associating access with the particular job of the user.


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## Definitions

- A role is a collection of job functions. Each role $r$ is authorized to perform one or more transactions. The set of authorized transactions for $r$ is written trans(r).
- The active role of a subject $s$, written $\operatorname{actr}(s)$, is the role that $s$ is currently performing.
- The authorized roles of a subject $s$, written authr(s), is the set of roles that $s$ is authorized to assume.
- The predicate canexec( $s, t$ ) is true if and only if the subject $s$ can execute the transactions $t$ at the current time.
- If a subject can execute at least one transaction, then the subject has an active role.
- This binds the notion of execution of a transaction to the role rather than to the user.
- The subject must be authorized to assume its active role.
- It cannot assume an unauthorized role.
- A subject cannot execute a transaction for which its current role is not authorized.



## Example 1: Bank

## Example 2: Hospital



## Question

- Please explain Idemix and U-Prove again, especially in the context of ZeroKnowledge Proves.


## Zero Knowledge Proof

- How can Alice prove to Bob that she knows a secret S without disclosing the secret to Bob or a third person?


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## Example: Where is Walter?



## I know where Walter is.



Walter

## How can I prove this without disclosing information?

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## Example: Where is Walter?



## ABC4Trust architecture Interactions and Entities



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Zero-Knowledge Proofs


User


Idemix (Identity Mixer)

Damgard, Camenisch \& Lysyanskaya Strong RSA, pairings (LMRS, q-SDH)

## Existing Privacy-ABC Technologies

Blind Signatures


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## Difference between U-Prove and

- They rely on different cryptographic schemes and have practical differences:
- U-Prove uses Brands signature scheme [Br00], whereas Idemix uses Camenisch-Lysyanskaya signature scheme.
- Both relay on a zero-knowledge scheme: for UProve, zero knowledge happens is interactive (requires the Issuer), for Idemix it's noninteractive (can be done by the User alone) [CZ13].
- U-Prove tokens do not provide multiplepresentation unlinkability, Idemix tokens do.


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## ABC4Trust video on Privacy-ABCs



- www.youtube.com/watch?v=utk4EyoaxAk


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