

# Network Security Technology Project

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# Part I

## Implement the textbook RSA algorithm.

- The textbook RSA is essentially RSA without any padding.

Choose two large primes  $p$  and  $q$ . Let  $n = p \cdot q$ . Choose  $e$  such that  $\gcd(e, \varphi(n)) = 1$ , where  $\varphi(n) = (p - 1) \cdot (q - 1)$ . Find  $d$  such that  $e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{\varphi(n)}$ . In other words,  $d$  is the modular inverse of  $e$ , i.e.,  $d \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\varphi(n)}$ .

$(e, n)$  is the public key,  $(d, n)$  the private one.

To encrypt a plaintext  $m$ , compute  $c \equiv m^e \pmod{n}$ .

To decrypt a ciphertext  $c$ , compute  $m \equiv c^d \pmod{n}$ .

# Part I

## Goals

- Generate a random RSA key pair with a given key size (e.g., 1024bit).
- Encrypt a plaintext with the public key.
- Decrypt a ciphertext with the private key.

```
lineng@ln-Surface:/mnt/d/project/demo/project$ python rsa.py
key size: 1024

public key: 65537, 113786939598950713723693400447768822542986255959758176344972883680548352984782993908812639654930
8597560686518583530253047122873033894501010329811662778787550474638266179609011209086334365939810077333568410507549
29068311812627936123501129548211156894214987733908927271004876454516560751216535069918547715415113

private key: 484736494905641847574926537238698408010380896309029788573675624376646698350879107517912032367367238892
485266526291730393863367139681410099751255196501532930428685231117627956832533230412121586785798172898142350805168
5212744792834495276156621507523777266439029649558401993467021311200173130665775226017748269, 1137869395989507137236
9340044776882254298625595975817634497288368054835298478299390881263965493085975606865185835302530471228730338945010
1032981166277878755047463826617960901120908633436593981007733356841050754929068311812627936123501129548211156894214
987733908927271004876454516560751216535069918547715415113

message = hello world

encrypted = 6454378231592564368072102412183896710747541519499190406782533645814147374340917031864927204906224105261
6659246906730922576977456510933214115714607368145984592548034299736715733660013516559958253022530269773830892207648
341852473229661217371735247416856755570518150310603836556411786106979815604876320824613476

decrypted = hello world
```

## Part II

### Perform a CCA2 attack on textbook RSA.

- ▶ Textbook RSA is elegant but has no semantic security.
- ▶ An adaptive chosen-ciphertext attack (abbreviated as CCA2) is an interactive form of chosen-ciphertext attack in which an attacker sends a number of ciphertexts to be decrypted, then uses the results of these decryptions to select subsequent ciphertexts.
- ▶ The goal of this attack is to gradually reveal information about an encrypted message, or about the decryption key itself.

## Part II

We refer to an existing work to implement our attack.

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## **4 Active Attacks on QQ Browser's Use of Textbook RSA**

In this section, we explore attacks on QQ Browser's use of textbook RSA.

### **4.1 CCA2 attack**

## Part II

### Server-client communication

- ① generate a 128-bit AES session key for the session.
- ② encrypt this session key using a 1024-bit RSA public key.
- ③ use the AES session key to encrypt the WUP request.
- ④ send the RSA-encrypted AES session key and the encrypted WUP request to the server.

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- ① decrypt the RSA-encrypted AES key it received from the client.
  - ② choose the least significant 128 bits of the plaintext to be the AES session key.
  - ③ decrypt the WUP request using the AES session key.
  - ④ send an AES-encrypted response if the WUP request is valid.

Client



Server





# Part II

## CCA2 attack

Let  $C$  be the RSA encryption of 128-bit AES key  $k$  with RSA public key  $(n, e)$ . Thus, we have

$$C \equiv k^e \pmod{n}$$

Now let  $C_b$  be the RSA encryption of the AES key

$$k_b = 2^b k$$

*i.e.*,  $k$  bitshifted to the left by  $b$  bits. Thus, we have

$$C_b \equiv k_b^e \pmod{n}$$

We can compute  $C_b$  from only  $C$  and the public key, as

$$\begin{aligned} C_b &\equiv C(2^{be} \pmod{n}) \pmod{n} \\ &\equiv (k^e \pmod{n})(2^{be} \pmod{n}) \pmod{n} \\ &\equiv k^e 2^{be} \pmod{n} \\ &\equiv (2^b k)^e \pmod{n} \\ &\equiv k_b^e \pmod{n} \end{aligned}$$

We begin the attack by considering  $C_{127}$ . It is the RSA encryption of  $k_{127}$ , the AES key where every bit but the highest bit are necessarily zero and where  $k_{127}$ 's highest bit is  $k$ 's lowest bit (recall that the QQ Browser server ignores all but the lowest 128 bits of the decrypted key). We first guess that  $k_{127}$ 's high bit is zero and send a WUP request with  $C_{127}$  and encrypt the request with the key where that bit is zero. If the server responds, that means that the bit was zero, since it was able to decrypt our request. If not, the bit must have been a one. After we know this bit, we consider  $C_{126}$  and guess the next bit (note that we know one of  $C_{126}$ 's bits from  $C_{127}$ ). We repeat this process for each bit of the AES key. In total, this requires 128 guesses, since the AES key is 128 bits and each request reveals one bit of the key. By using this approach, we can iteratively learn every bit of the AES key.

# Part II

## Goals

- ▶ In a basic version, you should present the attack process to obtain the AES key (and further decrypt the encrypted request) from a history message.
- ▶ The history message can be generated by yourself in advance, it should includes a RSA-encrypted AES key and an AES-encrypted request.
- ▶ Feel free to design your own WUP request format, server-client communication model, etc. A nice design will bring you a bonus.
- ▶ AES encryption and decryption can be achieved with the help of third-party library.



# Part II

## Demo

- ▶ What server knows: RSA key pair, AES key.
- ▶ What client (attacker) knows: RSA public key, a RSA-encrypted AES key, an AES-encrypted WUP request.
- ▶ The attacker wants to learn the AES key.

```
public key: 65537, 113737834153044474165203214471243357136920612769752487582665551705260017363108699011808643231612
7032669043586075566317440952888576197084633078858265767423382443596605129560649053370811058762418549202430502160058
85547737125768070460435801148014917421398475039999265887566305731119098343575351125038221014590963
private key: 386715925115932987140580622863835043880861500274409063705164485504113549125250032818122891974003367089
8011539820535613704739798303767282127484657328851715897579077997016549439239360911695907269654925388149145911157156
8168323124913055249496920813874966545496079770732934066305579475353476027255567199133614233, 1137378341530444741652
0321447124335713692061276975248758266555170526001736310869901180864323161270326690435860755663174409528885761970846
3307885826576742338244359660512956064905337081105876241854920243050216005885547737125768070460435801148014917421398
475039999265887566305731119098343575351125038221014590963
aes_key = 0000111122223333
aes_key = 30303030313131313232323333333333
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# Part II

## Demo

- In the final round (k0), the attacker can revert the AES key successfully.

```
Cb: 3c77557f1c0d744e46aea30145613ad8fa4e532e299d47e0f1912a91906a72dc4e6426e030fa29d19c4641fe232744a11452e5871a970
b1f9c5fala2bde62ee994cddbf1964e5f2db096b3f0fb9d4165ed7254760ae4f15c8800a3fac14a3ba675d3e0c941e2fb497fb482937b92cdcd
49aa7a818bc8be2b9db25e178b80920d
 kb: 992bd0d3125a5c5ce33608ba1904b5154646120bf7ea5b68dfee8f814e38e404709399de399a5f522d18d09910fedd2531656fcl1a6252
146ee9c1b637ddb605f30fe7790bf75dd01f2b180200580be6c74c87851a53cd4368eb33721ed50aefa820867e29091819b6fb88e97a0114cc9
b0a65b3f56f69afd296c67ae26e78651
complete aes key: 3030303031313131323232323333333333
k0: 3030303031313131323232323333333333
encrypted_msg: 4bc41b964b18b094150dca157caeff98
current key: 3030303031313131323232323333333333
wup request: test wup request

3030303031313131323232323333333333
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## Part III

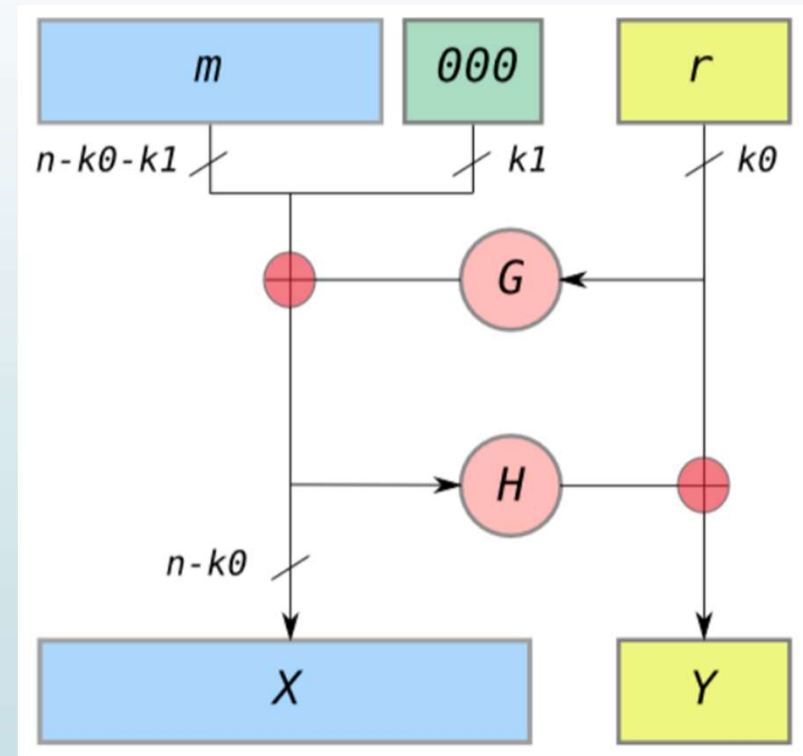
Implement an RSA-OAEP algorithm and discuss why it can thwart such kind of attacks.

- ▶ Since textbook RSA is vulnerable to attacks, in this paper, the authors give a solution: using OAEP key padding algorithm.
- ▶ In cryptography, Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding (OAEP) is a padding scheme often used together with RSA encryption.
- ▶ OAEP satisfies the following two goals:
  - ▶ Add an element of randomness which can be used to convert a deterministic encryption scheme (e.g., traditional RSA) into a probabilistic scheme.
  - ▶ Prevent partial decryption of ciphertexts (or other information leakage) by ensuring that an adversary cannot recover any portion of the plaintext without being able to invert the trapdoor one-way permutation.

# Part III

## OAEP

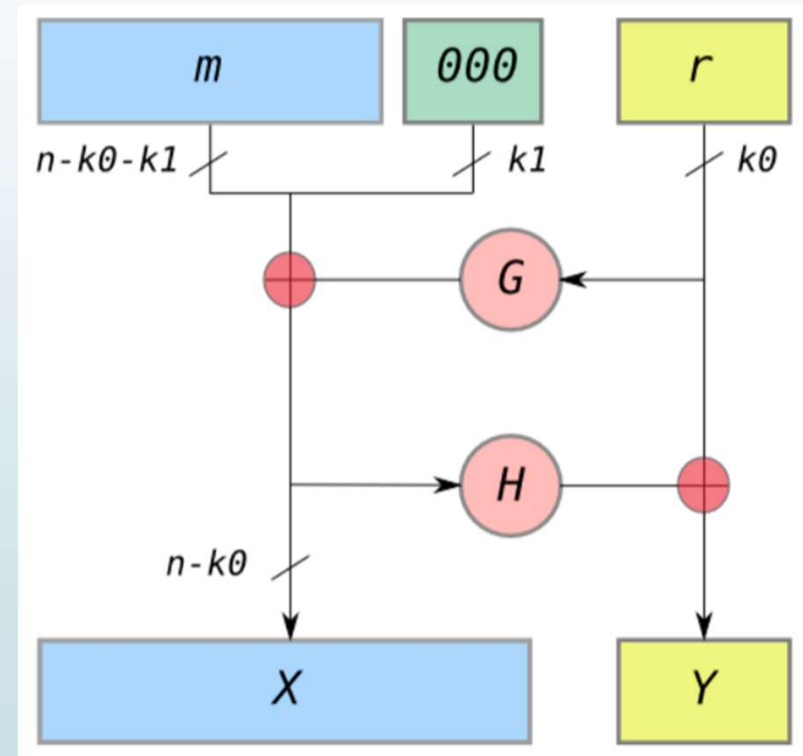
- $n$  is the number of bits in the RSA modulus.
- $k_0$  and  $k_1$  are integers fixed by the protocol.
- $m$  is the plaintext message, an  $(n-k_0-k_1)$  bit string
- $G$  and  $H$  are typically some cryptographic hash functions fixed by the protocol.
- $\oplus$  is an xor operation.



## Part III

### OAEP encode

1. messages are padded with  $k_1$  zeros to be  $n - k_0$  bits in length.
2.  $r$  is a randomly generated  $k_0$  bit string
3.  $G$  expands the  $k_0$  bits of  $r$  to  $n - k_0$  bits.
4.  $X = m00\dots0 \oplus G(r)$
5.  $H$  reduces the  $n - k_0$  bits of  $X$  to  $k_0$  bits.
6.  $Y = r \oplus H(X)$
7. The output is  $X \parallel Y$  where  $X$  is shown in the diagram as the leftmost block and  $Y$  as the rightmost block.

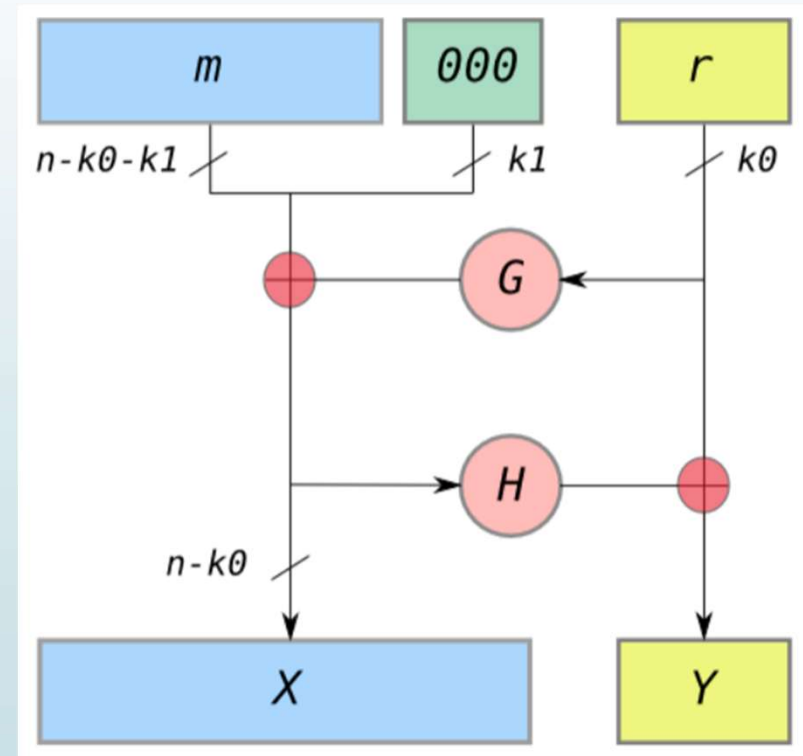


## Part III

### OAEP decode

1. recover the random string as  $r = Y \oplus H(X)$
2. recover the message as  $m00..0 = X \oplus G(r)$

The "all-or-nothing" security is from the fact that to recover  $m$ , you must recover the entire  $X$  and the entire  $Y$ ;  $X$  is required to recover  $r$  from  $Y$ , and  $r$  is required to recover  $m$  from  $X$ . Since any changed bit of a cryptographic hash completely changes the result, the entire  $X$ , and the entire  $Y$  must both be completely recovered.





# Part III

## Goals

- ▶ You can achieve it by adding the OAEP padding module to the textbook RSA implementation.
- ▶ You should give a discussion on the advantages of RSAOAEP compared to the textbook RSA.
- ▶ As a bonus, you can further try to present that RSA-OAEP can thwart the CCA2 attack you have implemented in part 2.

## Note

- ▶ Feel free to choose your preferred language to do this project (python recommended).
- ▶ You must not implement RSA & CCA2 & RSA-OAEP by directly using existing libraries.

Thank You