CSCI 454/554 Computer and Network
Security
Topic 3.1 Secret Key Cryptography - Algorithms


## Secrets? (Cont'd) WHILAAM

- Commercial world relies upon standardized, public algorithms, and secret keys
- Government tends to also rely on secret algorithms

| Outline |  |  |  |  |
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| - Feistel Cipher |  |  |  |  |
| - DES |  |  |  |  |
| - AES |  |  |  |  |
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## Secret Keys or Secret Algorithms ? ?

- "Security by obscurity"
. "hide" the details of the algorithms
. drawback: hard to keep secret if cipher is used widely, or implementation can be reverse engineered
- Alternative: publish the algorithms
- fewer vulnerabilities will result if many smart people try and fail to break the cipher
- security of the cipher depends on the secrecy of the keys, instead


## Secret Key Cryptography WILLIAN



- Same key is used for both encryption and decryption
- this one key is shared by two parties who wish to communicate securly
- Also known as symmetric key cryptography, or shared key cryptography

Applications of Secret Key Crypto WIMAANV

- Communicating securely over an insecure channel
- Alice encrypts using shared key
- Bob decrypts result using same shared key
- Secure storage on insecure media
- Bob encrypts data before storage
. Bob decrypts data on retrieval using the same key

Applications... (Cont'd) MILAAM

- Message integrity
- Alice computes a message integrity code (MIC) from the message, then encrypts with shared key
- Bob decrypts the MIC on receipt, and verifies that it agrees with message contents
- Authentication
- Bob can verify Alice sent the message
- how is that possible?


## Generic Block Encryption Millik

- Converts one input plaintext block of fixed size $k$ bits to an output ciphertext block also of $k$ bits
- Benefits of large $k$ ? of short $k$ ?



## Key Sizes

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- Keys should be selected from a large potential set, to prevent brute force attacks
- Secret key sizes
. 40 bits were considered adequate in 70's
. 56 bits used by DES were adequate in the 80 's
- 128 bits are adequate for now
- If computers increase in power by $40 \%$ per year, need roughly 5 more key bits per decade to stay "sufficiently" hard to break

| 8 | Notation | WiLliak |
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| Notation | Meaning |  |
| $X \oplus Y$ | Bit-wise exclusive-or of $X$ and $Y$ |  |
| X\| Y | Concatenation of $X$ and $Y$ |  |
| $\mathrm{K}\{m$ \} | Message $m$ encrypted with secret key K |  |

## Exploiting the Principles <br> MIUAAN

. Idea: use multiple, alternating permutations and substitutions, e.g.,
. $S \rightarrow P \rightarrow S \rightarrow P \rightarrow S \rightarrow$
. $P \rightarrow S \rightarrow P \rightarrow S \rightarrow P \rightarrow$
. Do they have to alternate? e.g....

$$
\text { . } \mathrm{S} \rightarrow \mathrm{~S} \rightarrow \mathrm{~S} \rightarrow \mathrm{P} \rightarrow \mathrm{P} \rightarrow \mathrm{P} \rightarrow \mathrm{~S} \rightarrow \mathrm{~S} \rightarrow \ldots \text { ? }
$$

- Confusion is mainly accomplished by substitutions
- Diffusion is mainly accomplished by permutations
- Example ciphers: DES, AES

Basic Form of Modern Block Ciphers MIMIARY


## Feistel Ciphers

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| - Feistel Cipher has been a very influential "template" for designing a block cipher <br> - Major benefit: can do encryption and decryption with the same hardware <br> - Examples: DES, RC5 |  |  |

One "Round" of Feistel Encryption WIMAMM

1. Break input block $i$ into left and right halves $\mathrm{L}_{i}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{i}$
2. Copy $\mathrm{R}_{i}$ to create output half block $\mathrm{L}_{i+1}$
3. Half block $\mathrm{R}_{i}$ and key $\mathrm{K}_{i}$ are "scrambled" by function $f$
4. XOR result with input half-block $L_{i}$ to create output half-block $\mathrm{R}_{i+1}$





## Parameters of a Feistel Cipher $\begin{aligned} & \text { WILLAAM }\end{aligned}$

. Block size

- Key size
- Number of rounds
- Subkey generation algorithm
- "Scrambling" function $f$



## DES (Data Encryption Standard) Wivilivi

- Standardized in 1976 by NBS (now NIST)
- proposed by IBM,
- Feistel cipher
- Criteria (official)
- provide high level of security
. security must reside in key, not algorithm
- not patented
. must be exportable
. efficient to implement in hardware
. Blocks: 64 bit plaintext input, 64 bit ciphertext output
- Rounds: 16
- Key: 64 bits
. every $8^{\text {th }}$ bit is a parity bit, so really $\underline{56}$ bits long


Initial and Final Permutations $\begin{gathered}\text { WILIANV } \\ \mathrm{E} \text { MRX }\end{gathered}$

- Initial permutation given below
- input bit \#58 $\rightarrow$ output bit \#1, input bit \#50 $\rightarrow$ output bit \#2, ..

| 58 | 50 | 42 | 34 | 26 | 18 | 10 | 2 |
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| 60 | 52 | 44 | 36 | 28 | 20 | 12 | 4 |
| 62 | 54 | 46 | 38 | 30 | 22 | 14 | 6 |
| 64 | 56 | 48 | 40 | 32 | 24 | 16 | 8 |
| 57 | 49 | 41 | 33 | 25 | 17 | 9 | 1 |
| 59 | 51 | 43 | 35 | 27 | 19 | 11 | 3 |
| 61 | 53 | 45 | 37 | 29 | 21 | 13 | 5 |
| 63 | 55 | 47 | 39 | 31 | 23 | 15 | 7 |



| - Criteria (unofficial) |  |
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| - must be slow to execute in software |  |
| - must be breakable by NSA :-) |  |
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## Key Generation: First Permutation MIMAAN

- First step: throw out 8 parity bits, then permute resulting 56
bits 7 columns

|  | 57 | 49 | 41 | 33 | 25 | 17 | 9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 58 | 50 | 42 | 34 | 26 | 18 |
|  | 10 | 2 | 59 | 51 | 43 | 35 | 27 |
|  | 19 | 11 | 3 | 60 | 52 | 44 | 36 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \infty \\ & \infty \end{aligned}$ | 63 | 55 | 47 | 39 | 31 | 23 | 15 |
|  | 7 | 62 | 54 | 46 | 38 | 30 | 22 |
|  | 14 | 6 | 61 | 53 | 45 | 37 | 29 |
|  | 21 | 13 | 5 | 28 | 20 | 12 | 4 |

Parity bits left out: 8,16,24, ...


## One DES (Feistel) Round



DES Round: $f$ (Mangler) Function $\begin{gathered}\text { WLULAMM } \\ M A R Y\end{gathered}$


| 20 | f. Expansion Function |  |  |  |  |  | WILLIAM |
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| - 32 bits $\rightarrow 48$ bits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\square$ these bits are repeated $\square$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 32 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
|  | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |  |
|  | 8 |  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |  |
|  | 12 |  | 14 | 15 |  | 17 |  |
|  | 16 |  | 18 | 19 |  | 21 |  |
|  | 20 |  | 22 | 23 |  | 25 |  |
|  | 24 |  | 26 | 27 |  | 29 |  |
|  | 28 |  | 30 | 31 |  | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 37 |

## f. S-Box (Substitute, Shrink) Mylusiciv

- 48 bits $\rightarrow 32$ bits
- 48 bit is broken into eight 6-bit chunks.
. 6 bits are used to select a 4-bit substitution
- i.e., for every output, there are four inputs that map to it


| 2 | f. Permutation |  |  |  |  |
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| - 32bits $\rightarrow$ 32bits |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 16 | 7 | 20 | 21 |  |
|  | 29 | 12 | 28 | 17 |  |
|  |  | 15 | 23 | 26 |  |
|  | 5 | 18 | 31 | 10 |  |
|  | 2 | 8 | 24 | 14 |  |
|  |  | 27 | 3 | 9 |  |
|  | 19 | 13 | 30 | 6 |  |
|  | 22 | 11 | 4 | 25 |  |
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. "We don't know if
. the particular details were well-chosen for strength,

- whether someone flipped coins to construct the S-boxes,
- or whether the details were chosen to have a weakness that could be exploited by the designers."


## Principles for S-Box Design Wivillive

. S-box is the only non-linear part of DES

- Each row in the S-Box table should be a permutation of the possible output values
- Output of one S-box should affect other Sboxes in the following round


## DES Avalanche Effect: Example MmIAAM

. 2 plaintexts with 1 bit difference:
$0 x 0000000000000000$ and 0x8000000000000000 encrypted using the same key: 0x016B24621C181C32

- Resulting ciphertexts differ in 34 bits (out of 64)
- Similar results when keys differ by 1 bit
- Number of rounds should be large enough to make advanced attacks as expensive as exhaustive search for the key
- Roughly: a small change in either the plaintext or the key should produce a big change in the ciphertext
- Better: any output bit should be inverted

Better: any output bit should be inverted
(flipped) with probability 0.5 if any input bit is changed

- $f$ function
- must be difficult to un-scramble
. should achieve avalanche effect
- output bits should be uncorrelated


## Desirable Property: Avalanche Effect $\begin{gathered}\text { NIILAAM } \\ \text { MARY }\end{gathered}$

## 2 Example (cont'd) MINAMV

- An experiment: number of rounds vs. number of bits difference



## DES: Keys to Avoid Using <br> MULAAV

. "Weak keys": 4 keys with property

$$
\mathrm{K}\{\mathrm{~K}\{m\}\}=m
$$

. What's bad about that?

- These are keys which, after the first key permutation, are:
- 28 0's followed by 28 0's
- 28 0's followed by 28 1's
. 28 1's followed by 28 0's
. 28 1's followed by 28 1's
- 56 bits is currently too small to resist brute force attacks using readily-available hardware
- Ten years ago it took $\$ 250,000$ to build a machine that could crack DES in a few hours
. Now?


## $x^{2}$ More Keys to Avoid!

. "Semi-weak keys": pairs of keys with the property

$$
\mathrm{K}_{1}\left\{\mathrm{~K}_{2}\{m\}\right\}=m
$$

. What's bad about that?

- These are keys which, after the first key permutation, are:

1. 28 0's followed by alternating 0's and 1's
2. 280 's followed by alternating 1 's and 0 's
3. alternating 1 's and 0 's followed by alternating 1 's and 0's

## 4 Cryptanalysis of DES MILNM

- Differential cryptanalysis exploits differences between encryptions of two different plaintext blocks
- provides insight into possible key values
. DES well designed to defeat differential analysis
- Linear cryptanalysis requires known plaintext / ciphertext pairs, analyzes relationships to discover key value
- for DES, requires analyzing $\mathrm{O}\left(2^{47}\right)$ pairs
- No attacks on DES so far are significantly better than brute force attacks, for comparable cost


- Each plaintext block of 16 bytes is arranged as 4 columns of 4 bytes each

| $a_{0}$ | $a_{1}$ | $a_{2}$ | $a_{3}$ | $a_{4}$ | $a_{5}$ | $a_{6}$ | $a_{7}$ | $a_{8}$ | $a_{9}$ | $a_{10}$ | $a_{11}$ | $a_{12}$ | $a_{13}$ | $a_{14}$ | $a_{15}$ |
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| $a_{0}$ | $a_{4}$ | $a_{8}$ | $a_{12}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $a_{1}$ | $a_{5}$ | $a_{9}$ | $a_{13}$ |
| $a_{2}$ | $a_{6}$ | $a_{10}$ | $a_{14}$ |
| $a_{3}$ | $a_{7}$ | $a_{11}$ | $a_{15}$ |

(Padding necessary for messages not a multiple of 16 bytes)

## AES Encryption/Decryption Mivitiv





Round Step 2. Rotate (Example) WIMAAM

Before Shift Rows
After Shift Rows

| 53 | $C A$ | 70 | $0 C$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $D 0$ | $B 7$ | $D 6$ | $D C$ |
| 51 | 04 | $F 8$ | 32 |
| 63 | $B A$ | 68 | 79 |
| $B 7$ | $D 6$ | $D C$ | $D 0$ |
| $F 8$ | 32 | 51 | 04 |
| 79 | 63 | $B A$ | 68 |




## Key Expansion Rationale Mulliviv

- Designed to resist known attacks
- Design criteria include
- knowing part of the key doesn't make it easy to find entire key
- key expansion must be invertible, but enough non-linearity to hinder analysis
- should be fast to compute, simple to describe and analyze
- key bits should be diffused into the round keys


## AES-128 Decryption (Conceptual) ${ }^{\text {WHMLAAN }}$

- Run cipher in reverse, with inverse of each operation replacing the encryption operations
- Inverse operations:
. XOR is its own inverse
- inverse of S-box is just the inverse table (next slide)
. inverse of rotation in one direction is rotation in other direction
- inverse of MixColumn is just the inverse table (next slide +1 )


## Round Keys... (Cont'd) MHLAAM



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## AES Decryption (Actual) <br> MIUAAM

- Run cipher in forward direction, except...
- use inverse operations
- apply round keys in reverse order
- apply InvMixColumn to round keys K1..K9
- Decryption takes more memory and cycles encryption
. can only partially reuse hardware for encryption


## AES Assessment Milt

- Speed: about 16 clock cycles/byte on modern 32-bit CPUs
- 200 MByte/s on a PC, no special hardware!
. No known successful attacks on full AES
. best attacks work on 7-9 rounds (out of 10-14 rounds)
- Clean design
- For brute force attacks, AES-128 will take $4^{*} 10^{21} \mathrm{X}\left(=2^{72}\right)$ more effort than DES



## Se Summary Mill Mavy

- Secret key crypto is (a) good quality, (b) faster to compute than public key crypto, and (c) the most widely used crypto
- DES strong enough for non-critical applications, but triple-DES is better
- AES even better (stronger and much faster), has versions with 128-, 192-, and 256-bit keys
- Secret key crypto requires "out-of-band", bilateral key negotiation/agreement

