

Protocol Issues

Cryptography

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Topics

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 - Nonce
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 - Middle Image Attack
- 4 Implementation leaks
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Channel types

Channels are typed by security

- Unsecure
- Confidential
- Intrusion resistant
- Secure

Practical cryptosystems combine algorithms

Clock Based Pseudorandom

```
int main()
{  int i, n; time_t t; n = 5;

  /* Intializes random number generator */
  srand((unsigned) time(&t));

  /* Print 5 random numbers from 0 to 49 */
  for( i = 0 ; i < n ; i++ )
      {  printf("%d\n" , rand() % 50); }

  return (0);}
```

Netscape 1.1 Initialisation

```
RNG_CreateContext()  
    (seconds, microseconds) = time of day; /* Time  
    pid = process ID;  ppid = parent process ID;  
    a = mklcpr(microseconds);  
    b = mklcpr(pid + seconds + (ppid << 12));  
    seed = MD5(a, b);  
  
mklcpr(x) /* not cryptographically significant; show  
    return ((0xDEECE66D * x + 0x2BBB62DC) >> 1);  
  
MD5() /* a very good standard mixing function, sour
```

Netscape 1.1 SSL session

```
RNG_GenerateRandomBytes()  
    x = MD5(seed);  
    seed = seed + 1;  
    return x;  
global variable challenge, secret_key;  
create_key()  
    RNG_CreateContext();  
    tmp = RNG_GenerateRandomBytes();  
    tmp = RNG_GenerateRandomBytes();  
    challenge = RNG_GenerateRandomBytes();  
    secret_key = RNG_GenerateRandomBytes();
```

Generating Good Random

- Hardware - test the quality
- Crypto library - check diagnostics!
- Collect entropy from environment - quantity is limited, combine with pseudorandom
- User Input - social attacks and habits.

NB! Random number generator can be backdoored

Nonce

Nonce is used to make messages unique

Prevent replay attacks - nonce should be unique

Should not be usable in other roles

DES is not a group

Permutations form a group

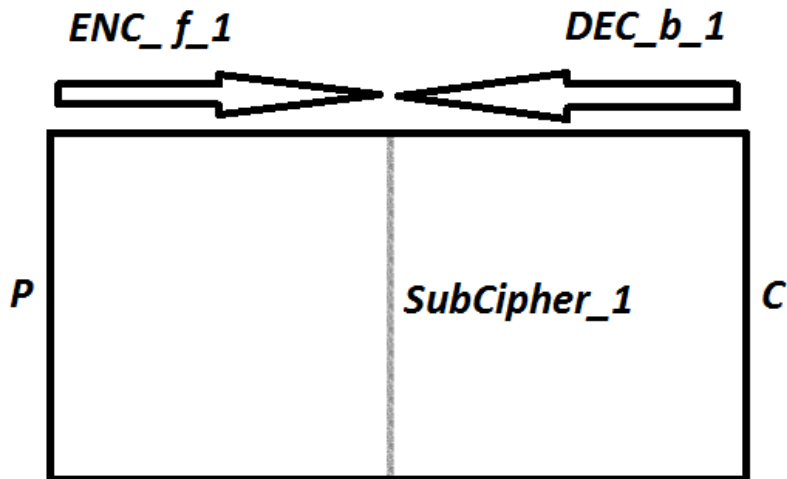
DES messages are 64 bits and keys 56 bits

There is $(2^{64})!$ permutations and 2^{56} keys

Searching for collision cycles

3DES

Meet in the middle attack



Traffic Analysis

When we cannot see the content, we still can measure the properties of traffic

- Identify communication parties
- Deduce casual relations from message order
- Infer content by message size
- Timing characterises the process generating the messages

Traffic padding and message routing randomisation

Sidechannels

Attacking multitasking

- Shared memory
- Free memory (ex Heartbleed)
- Swap file
- Processor cache
- Breaking buffer boundaries
- Shared processor - timing attacks

Physical attacks

- Microscoping and probing
- Reset
- Internal bus snooping
- Power analysis (ex DPA)
- Thermal signature
- Sound
- Electromagnetic emission

Fault injection