

Cryptography ≠ security

crypto is only a tiny piece of the security puzzle

- but an important one

most systems break elsewhere

- incorrect requirements or specifications
- implementation errors
- application level
- social engineering (layer 8)

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Outline

- · crypto algorithms
 - symmetric encryption
 - hash functions
 - public key crypto
 - padding attacks
- PKI
- hacks

AES update

- Rijndael algorithm designed in Belgium
- minor theoretical weaknesses in 2010/2011
- 2012: no news is good news
- · 2255 implementations validated by NIST

fast implementation: cycle per byte
bitsliced 7.60
2010 Intel Westmere 1.27
2011 Intel Sandy Bridge 0.64
2011 AMD Bulldozer 1.30
2012 Intel Ivy Bridge 0.64

GSM/DECT

- · easy to break
 - · tools are available to get traffic and key

Satellite telephones

- GMR-1 and GMR-2 broken
 - used by Thuraya and military

intercepting phone conversations is illegal



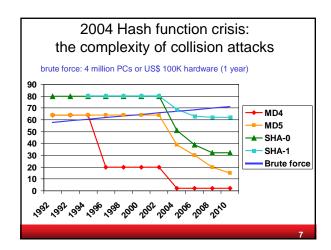
Hash functions

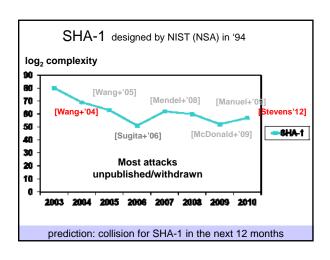
protect short hash value rather than long text

collision resistance preimage resistance 2nd preimage resistance
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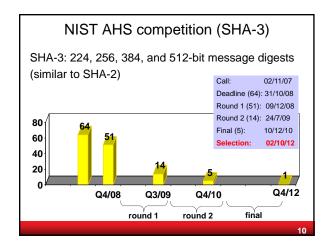
This is an input to a cryptographic hash function. The input is a very long string, that is reduced by the hash function to a string of fixed length. There are additional security conditions: it should be very hard to find an input hashing to a given value (a preimage) or to find two colliding inputs (a collision).

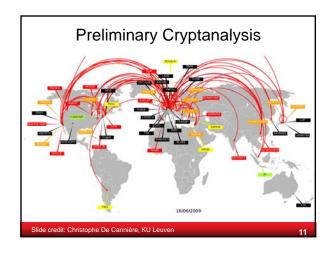
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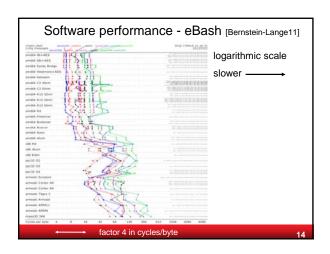
Alternatives to SHA-1 RIPEMD-160 [BSI/KU Leuven 96] - still unbroken but output length too short for long term security SHA-2 [NIST/NSA 02] - seems to withstand attacks - some reservations

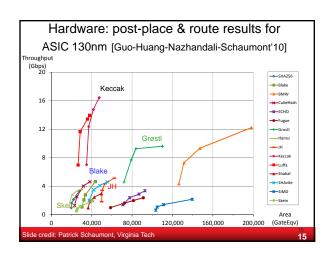


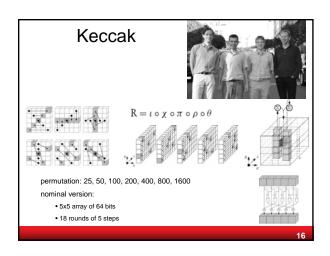


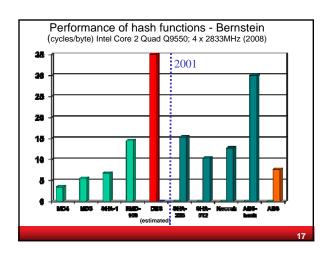














Key lengths for confidentiality

http://www.ecrypt.eu.org

duration	symmetric	RSA	ECC
days/hours	50	512	100
3-4 years	73	1024	146
10-20 years	103	2048	206
30-50 years	141	4096	282

Assumptions: no quantum computers; no breakthroughs; limited budget

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Quantum computers?

exponential parallelism

n coupled quantum bits

2ⁿ degrees of freedom!

Shor 1994: perfect for factoring

but: can a quantum computer be built?



If a large quantum computer can be built...

all schemes based on factoring (such as RSA) will be insecure

same for discrete log (Zp, ECC) symmetric key sizes: x2 hash sizes: unchanged!

alternatives: postquantum crypto

- McEliece, NTRU,...
- so far it seems very hard to match performance of current systems while keeping the security level against conventional attacks

2001: 7-bit quantum computer factors 15 2007: two new 7-bit quantum computers 2012: 21 has been factored yesterday

2012: 10 to 15 years for a large quantum computer



Quantum Computing: An IBM Perspective Steffen, M.: DilVincenzo, D.-P.; Chow, J. M.; Theis, T. N.; Ketchen, M. B.

Quantum physics provides an intriguing basis for achieving computational power to address certain categories of mathematical problems that are completely intractable with machine computation as we know it today. We present a brief overview of the current theoretical and experimental works in the emerging field of quantum computing. The implementation of a functioning quantum computer poses tremendous scientific and technological challenges, but current rates of progress suggest that these challenges will be substantively addressed over the next ten years. We provide a sketch of a quantum computing system based on superconducting circuits, which are the current focus of our research. A realistic vision emerges concerning the form of a future scalable fault-tolerant quantum computer.

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Problematic public keys (1/3)

[Lenstra-Hughes+ Crypto 12]

[Heninger+ Usenix Sec. 12]

11.7 million openly accessible public keys (TLS/PGP) 6.4 million distinct RSA moduli rest: ElGamal/DSA (50/50) and 1 ECDSA 12 million openly accessible public keys (5.8 TLS/6.2 SSH) 23 million hosts (12.8/10.2)

1%: 512-bit RSA keys

- 1.1% of RSA keys occur in >1 certificate
- 5.6% of TLS hosts share public keys
- 5.2% default manufacturer keys
- 0.34% have by accident the same key
- easy to factor: 0.2% of RSA keys
 - 12,000 keys!40% have valid certs
- easy to factor: 0.5% of TLS hosts and 0.03% of SSH hosts
- DSA key recovery: 1.6% of DSA hosts

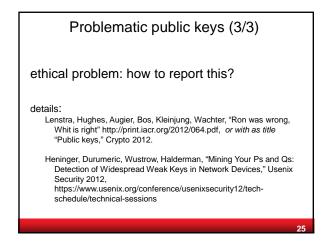
Problematic public keys (2/3)

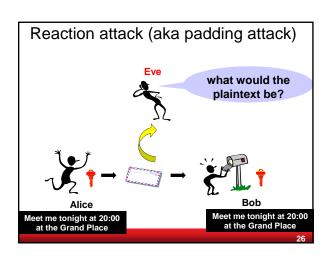
- · low entropy during key generation
- RSA keys easy to factor, because they form pairs like: n = p.q and n' = p'.q so gcd(n,n')=q
- DSA keys: reuse of randomness during signing or weak key generation
 - why ???
- embedded systemsrouters, server
- management cards, network security devices
- key generation at first boot

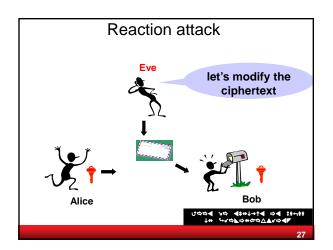
RSA versus DSA

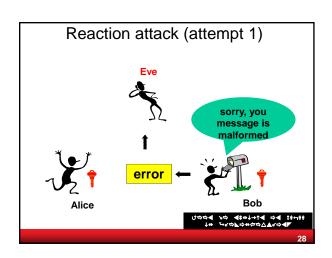
Ron was wrong, Whit is right or vice versa?

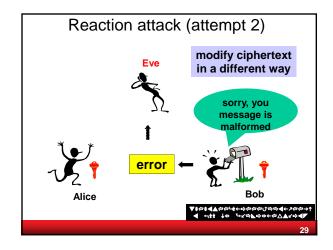
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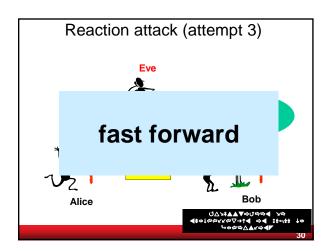


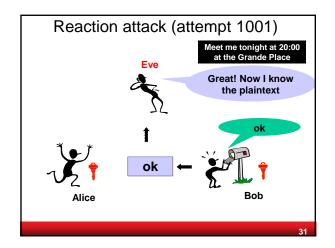


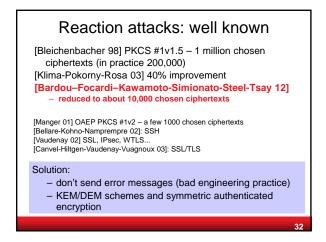


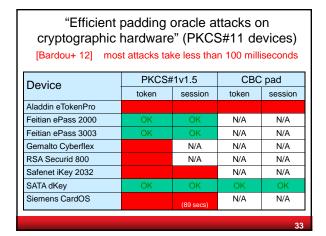


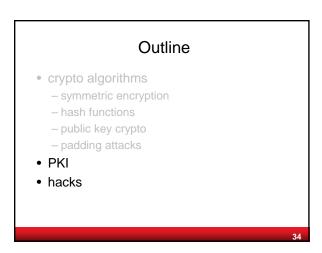


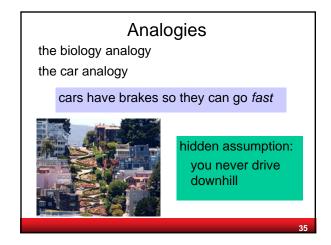


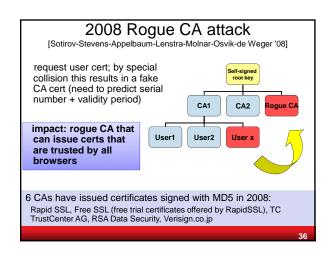












Flame (successor of Stuxnet/Duqu)

- · discovered in May 2012 by Cert in Iran
- targeted cyber espionage in Middle Eastern countries
- · vectors: LAN, USB, Bluetooth
- record audio, screenshots, keyboard activity and network traffic (including Skype)
- kill command to wipe out its traces (used on June 8 2012)
- advanced MD5 collision attack built-in to create fake certificate for Microsoft Enforced Licensing Intermediate PCA (Windows Update)
 - similar to but independent from rogue CA attack

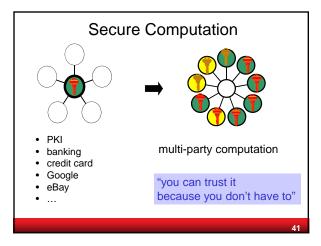
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Hacks

- Privacy
 - Aug '12: US Federal Trade Commission orders web giant to pay \$22.5m for violating privacy of rival Apple's Safari browser users
 - Politicians and laws talks about cookies, but web companies have found many other cool ways to keep tracking users
- Java
- Aug'12: Super-critical 0-day exploits 2 bugs
- Browsers
 - Sept '12: new 0-day on Internet Explorer





Summary

- · AES is not broken but SHA-1 will be soon
- SHA-3 has been selected
- · key generation remains problematic
- need to develop post quantum crypto
- multiparty computation becomes practical
- upgrading and fixing remains problematic
- old attacks keep coming back and new attacks get better

2012 was an exciting year for cryptanalysts

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