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Enforcing User-Aware Browser-Based Mutual Authentication with Strong Locked Same Origin Policy

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attacks such as phishing as it turned out that average Internet users are unable to authenticate servers based on their certificates.

In this paper we address security of *cookie-based authentication* using the concept of *strong locked same origin* policy for browsers introduced at ACM CCS'07. We describe a cookie-based authentication protocol between human users and TLS-servers and prove its security in the extended formal model for *browser-based mutual authentication* introduced at ACM ASIACCS'08. It turns out that the small modification of the browser's security policy is sufficient to achieve provably secure cookie-based authentication protocols considering the ability of users to recognize images, video, or audio sequences.

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Secure Biometric Authentication with Improved Accuracy

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A Critical Analysis and Improvement of AACS Drive-Host Authentication

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Comparing the Pre- and Post-specified Peer Models for Key Agreement

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Efficient One-Round Key Exchange in the Standard Model

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On the Improvement of the BDF Attack on LSBS-RSA

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BDF attack on LSBS-RSA by reducing the cost of exhaustive search for k , where k is the parameter in RSA equation: $ed = k \cdot \varphi(N) + 1$. Consequently, the complexity of the BDF attacks on LSBS-RSA can be further reduced. Denote ζ as the multiplicity of 2 in k . Our method gives the improvements, which depend on the two cases:

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□ In the case $\gamma \leq \min\{\beta, 2\alpha\} - \sigma$, the cost of exhaustive search for k in LSBS-RSA can be simplified to searching k in polynomial time. Thus, the complexity of the BDF attack is independent of ζ , but it still increases as ζ increases.</ListItem><ListItem><ItemNumber>1</ItemNumber>

□ In the case $\gamma > \min\{\beta, 2\alpha\} - \sigma$, the complexity of the BDF attack on LSBS-RSA can be further reduced with increasing ζ or β .</ListItem></OrderedList>More precisely, we show that an LSBS-RSA is more vulnerable under the BDF attack as $\max\{2\alpha, \beta\}$ increases proportionally with the size of N . In the last, we point out that although LSBS-RSA benefits the computational efficiency in some applications, one should be more careful in using LSBS-RSA.

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Public-Key Cryptosystems with Primitive Power Roots of Unity

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power roots of unity in $\mathbb{Z}/n^{s+1}\mathbb{Z}$. We show that our scheme has the above cryptographic properties.

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Relationship between Two Approaches for Defining the Standard Model PA-ness

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Distributed Verification of Mixing - Local Forking Proofs Model

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We consider a different model in which there are many verifiers, but each of them is going to download only a limited number of bits in order to check the mixes. Distributed character of the process ensures effectiveness even if many verifiers are dishonest and do not report irregularities found.

We concern a fully distributed and intuitive verification scheme which we call *local forking proofs*. For each intermediate ciphertext a verifier may ask for a proof that its re-encrypted version is in the output of the mix concerned. The proof shows that the re-encrypted version is within some subset of k ciphertexts from the output of the mix, and it can be performed with strong zero-knowledge or algebraic methods. They should work efficiently concerning communication complexity, if k is a relatively small constant.

There are many issues concerning stochastic properties of local forking proofs. In this paper we examine just one: we estimate quite precisely how many mixes are required so that if a local proof is provided for each message, then a plaintext hidden in an input message can appear on any position of the final output set.

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Fully-Simulatable Oblivious Set Transfer

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real/ideal world simulation paradigm. We show that oblivious set transfer protocols that are provably secure in the full simulation model can be efficiently implemented assuming the existence of semantically secure encryption schemes, perfectly hiding commitments and perfectly binding commitments.

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Efficient Disjointness Tests for Private Datasets

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Efficient Perfectly Reliable and Secure Message Transmission Tolerating Mobile Adversary

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In this paper, we study the problem of **Perfectly Reliable Message Transmission**(PRMT) and **Perfectly Secure Message Transmission**(PSMT) between two nodes **S** and **R** in an undirected synchronous network, a part of which is under the influence of an **all powerful mobile Byzantine** adversary. We design a **three** phase **bit optimal** PSMT protocol tolerating mobile adversary, whose communication complexity matches the existing lower bound on the communication complexity of any multi phase PSMT protocol, tolerating mobile adversary. This significantly reduces the phase complexity of the existing $O(t)$ phase bit optimal PSMT protocol tolerating mobile adversary, where t denotes the number of nodes corrupted by the mobile adversary. Furthermore, we design a three phase **bit optimal** PRMT protocol which achieves reliability with **constant factor** overhead against a mobile adversary. These are the **first** ever constant phase **bit optimal** PRMT and PSMT protocols against mobile Byzantine adversary. We also characterize PSMT protocols in **directed** networks tolerating mobile adversary. Finally, we derive tight bound on the number of rounds required to achieve reliable communication from **S** to **R** tolerating a mobile adversary with arbitrary roaming speed. Finally, we show how our constant phase PRMT and PSMT protocols can be adapted to design **round optimal** and **bit optimal** PRMT and PSMT protocols, provided the network is given as collection of vertex disjoint paths.

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Methods for Linear and Differential Cryptanalysis of Elastic Block Ciphers

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With this question in mind, we analyze elastic block ciphers and consider the security against two basic types of attacks, linear and differential cryptanalysis. We show how they can be related to the corresponding security of the fixed-length version of the cipher. Concretely, we develop techniques that take advantage of relationships between the structure of the elastic network and the original version of the cipher, independently of the cipher.

This approach demonstrates how one can build upon existing components to allow cryptanalysis within an extended structure (a topic which may be of general interest outside of elastic block ciphers). We show that any linear attack on an elastic block cipher can be converted efficiently into a linear attack on the fixed-length version of the cipher by converting the equations used to attack the elastic version to equations for the fixed-length version. We extend the result to any algebraic attack. We then define a general method for deriving the differential characteristic bound of an elastic block cipher using the differential bound on a single round of the fixed-length version of the cipher. The structure of elastic block ciphers allows us to use a state transition method to compute differentials for the elastic version from differentials of the round function of the original cipher.

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Multidimensional Linear Cryptanalysis of Reduced Round Serpent

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Cryptanalysis of Reduced-Round SMS4 Block Cipher

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On the Unprovable Security of 2-Key XCBC

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Looking Back at a New Hash Function

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Non-linear Reduced Round Attacks against SHA-2 Hash Family

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Collisions for Round-Reduced LAKE

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Preimage Attacks on Step-Reduced MD5

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Linear Distinguishing Attack on Shannon

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Recovering RC4 Permutation from 2048 Keystream Bytes if j Is Stuck

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Related-Key Chosen IV Attacks on Grain-v1 and Grain-128

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Signature Generation and Detection of Malware Families

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and hence, traditional signature-based malware detectors fail to detect obfuscated and previously unseen malware executables. However, as malware evolves, some semantics of the original malware are preserved as these semantics are necessary for the effectiveness of the malware. Using this observation, we present a novel method for detection of malware using the correlation between the semantics of the malware and its API calls. We construct a base signature for an entire malware class rather than for a single specimen of malware. Such a signature is capable of detecting even unknown and advanced variants that belong to that class. We demonstrate our approach on some well known malware classes and show that any advanced variant of the malware class is detected from the base signature.

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Reducing Payload Scans for Attack Signature Matching Using Rule Classification

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Implicit Detection of Hidden Processes with a Feather-Weight Hardware-Assisted Virtual Machine Monitor

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