# Factoring and Discrete Log 

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# A Method for Obtaining Digital Signatures and Public-Key Cryptosystems 

R.L. Rivest, A. Shamir, and L. Adleman*

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[Rivest Shamir Adleman 1977]

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Signing
$\frac{\text { public key }=(N, e)}{\text { signature }=\text { message }^{d} \bmod N}$


## Computational problems

## Factoring

Problem: Given $N$, compute its prime factors.

- Computationally equivalent to computing private key $d$.
- Factoring is in NP and coNP $\rightarrow$ not NP-complete (unless $\mathrm{P}=\mathrm{NP}$ or similar).


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Problem: Given $N, e$, and $c$, compute $x$ such that $x^{e} \equiv c \bmod N$.

- Equivalent to decrypting an RSA-encrypted ciphertext.
- Equivalent to selective forgery of RSA signatures.
- Conflicting results about whether it reduces to factoring:
- "Breaking RSA may not be equivalent to factoring" [Boneh Venkatesan 1998]
"an algebraic reduction from factoring to breaking low-exponent RSA can be converted into an efficient factoring algorithm"
- "Breaking RSA generically is equivalent to factoring" [Aggarwal Maurer 2009]
"a generic ring algorithm for breaking RSA in $\mathbb{Z}_{N}$ can be converted into an algorithm for factoring"
- "RSA assumption": This problem is hard.


## A garden of attacks on textbook RSA

Unpadded RSA encryption is homomorphic under multiplication. Let's have some fun!

Attack: Malleability
Given a ciphertext $c=\operatorname{Enc}(m)=m^{e} \bmod N$, attacker can forge ciphertext $\operatorname{Enc}(m a)=c a^{e} \bmod N$ for any $a$.

Attack: Chosen ciphertext attack
Given a ciphertext $c=\operatorname{Enc}(m)$ for unknown $m$, attacker asks for $\operatorname{Dec}\left(c a^{e} \bmod N\right)=d$ and computes $m=d a^{-1} \bmod N$.

Attack: Signature forgery
Attacker wants $\operatorname{Sign}(x)$. Attacker computes $z=x y^{e} \bmod N$ for some $y$ and asks signer for $s=\operatorname{Sign}(z)=z^{d} \bmod N$. Attacker computes $\operatorname{Sign}(z)=s y^{-1} \bmod N$.

So in practice always use padding on messages.


WHAT WOULD ACTUALLY HAPPEN:
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http://xkcd.com/538/

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sage: time factor (random_prime(2^128)*random_prime(2^128))
CPU times: user 12 min 9 s , sys: 5.63 s , total: 12 min 15 s
Wall time: 12min 24s
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## Factoring in practice

Two families of factoring algorithms:

1. Algorithms whose running time depends on the size of the factor to be found.

- Good for factoring small numbers, and finding small factors of big numbers.

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## Trial Division

Good for finding very small factors

Takes $p / \log p$ trial divisions to find a prime factor $p$.

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## Details

- "Random" function: $f(x)=x^{2}+c \bmod N$ for random $c$.
- For random starting point $a$, compute $a, f(a), f(f(a)), \ldots$
- Naive implementation uses $\sqrt{p}$ memory, $O(1)$ lookup time.
- To reduce memory:
- Floyd cycle-finding algorithm: Store two pointers, and move one twice as fast as the other until they coincide.
- Method of distinguished points: Store points satisfying easily tested property like $k$ leading zeros.

Why is it called the rho algorithm?


## Pollard rho in Sage

```
def rho(n):
    a = 98357389475943875; c=10 # some random values
    f = lambda x: (x^2+c)%n
    a1 = f(a) ; a2 = f(a1)
    while gcd(n, a2-a1)==1:
        a1 = f(a1); a2 = f(f(a2))
    return gcd(n, a2-a1)
```

sage: $N=698599699288686665490308069057420138223871$
sage: rho(N)
2053

## Reminders: Orders and groups

Theorem (Fermat's Little Theorem)
$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \bmod p$ for any $0<a<p$.

Let $\operatorname{ord}(a)_{p}$ be the order of $a \bmod p$. (Smallest positive integer such that $a^{\operatorname{ord}(a)_{p}} \equiv 1 \bmod p$.)

Theorem (Lagrange)
$\operatorname{ord}(a)_{p}$ divides $p-1$.

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$\mathrm{N}=44426601460658291157725536008128017297890787$ 4637194279031281180366057
r=lcm(range(1,2^22)) \# this takes a while ...
s=Integer (pow $(2, r, N)$ )
sage: $\operatorname{gcd}(\mathrm{s}-1, \mathrm{~N})$
1267650600228229401496703217601

## Pollard $p-1$ method

- This method finds larger factors than the rho method (in the same time)
...but only works for special primes.
In the previous example,

$$
p-1=2^{6} \cdot 3^{2} \cdot 5^{2} \cdot 17 \cdot 227 \cdot 491 \cdot 991 \cdot 36559 \cdot 308129 \cdot 4161791
$$

has only small factors (aka. $p-1$ is smooth).

- Many crypto standards require using only "safe primes" a.k.a primes where $p-1=2 q+1$, so $p-1$ is really non-smooth.
- This recommendation is outdated for RSA. The elliptic curve method (next slide) works even for "safe" primes.


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Theorem (Hasse)
The order of an elliptic curve modulo $p$ is in $[p+1-2 \sqrt{p}, p+1+2 \sqrt{p}]$.

There are lots of smooth numbers in this interval.
If one elliptic curve doesn't work, try until you find a smooth order.

## Elliptic Curves in Sage

```
def curve(d):
    frac_n = type(d)
    class P(object):
        def __init__(self,x,y):
        self.x,self.y = frac_n(x),frac_n(y)
    def __add__(a,b):
        return P((a.x*b.y + b.x*a.y)/(1 + d*a.x*a.y*b.x*b.y)
                        (a.y*b.y - a.x*b.x)/(1 - d*a.x*b.x*a.y*b.y)
    def __mul__(self, m):
    return double_and_add(self,m,P(0,1))
```


## Elliptic Curve Factorization

```
def ecm(n,y,t):
    # Choose a curve and a point on the curve.
    frac_n = Q(n)
    P = curve(frac_n(1,3))
    p = P(2,3)
    q = p * lcm(xrange(1,y))
    return gcd(q.x.t,n)
- Method runs very well on GPUs.
```

- Still an active research area.

ECM is very efficient at factoring random numbers, once small factors are removed.

Heuristic running time $L_{p}(1 / 2, \sqrt{2})=O\left(e^{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{\ln p \ln \ln p}}\right)$.

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First try:

1. Start at $c=\lceil\sqrt{N}\rceil$
2. Check $c^{2}-N,(c+1)^{2}-N, \ldots$ until we find a square.

This is Fermat factorization, which could take up to $p$ steps.

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Recall idea: If $a^{2}-N$ is a square $b^{2}$ then $N=(a-b)(a+b)$. QS computes $\operatorname{gcd}\{2759,53 \cdot 57 \cdot 58-\sqrt{50 \cdot 490 \cdot 605}\}=31$.

## Quadratic Sieve running time

- How do we choose $B$ ?
- How many numbers do we have to try to factor?
- Depends on (heuristic) probability that a randomly chosen number is $B$-smooth.
Running time: $L_{N}(1 / 2,1)=e^{(1+o(1)) \sqrt{\ln N \ln \ln N}}$.


## Number field sieve

## Best running time for general purpose factoring

## Insight

- Replace relationship $a^{2}=b^{2} \bmod N$ with a homomorphism between ring of integers $\mathcal{O}_{K}$ in a specially chosen number field and $\mathbb{Z}_{N}$.

$$
\varphi: \mathcal{O}_{K} \mapsto \mathbb{Z}_{N}
$$

## Algorithm

1. Polynomial selection Find a good choice of number field $K$.
2. Relation finding Factor elements over $\mathcal{O}_{K}$ and over $\mathbb{Z}$.
3. Linear algebra Find a square in $\mathcal{O}_{K}$ and a square in $\mathbb{Z}$
4. Square roots Take square roots, map into $\mathbb{Z}$, and hope we find a factor.

Running time: $L_{N}(1 / 3, \sqrt[3]{64 / 9})=e^{(1.923+o(1))(\ln N)^{1 / 3}(\ln \ln N)^{2 / 3}}$.

## Running the NFS with CADO-NFS



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Does anyone use 512-bit RSA?

## International Traffic in Arms Regulations

April 1, 1992 version
Category XIII--Auxiliary Military Equipment ...
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(i) Restricted to decryption functions specifically designed to allow the execution of copy protected software, provided the decryption functions are not user-accessible.
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## Bernstein v. US

> (1) CJ 191-92
61. On or about June 30, 1992, Plaintiff submitted a CJ Request to Defendant STATE DEPARTMENT to determine whether publication of 1) the paper entitled "The Snuffle Encryption System," 2) source code for the encryption portion of Snuffle, and 3) source code for the decryption portion of Snuffle required a license under the ITAR. Filed under seal herewith as Exhibit "A" is a true and correct copy of the cover letter accompanying CJ 191-92.
62. Plaintiff is informed and believes and based upon such information and belief alleges that his request, labelled CJ 191-92 by the Defendant STATE DEPARTMENT, was referred to, among others, Defendants MARK KORO and GREG STARK acting under color of authority of Defendant NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY for determination of whether a license was required prior to publication of the Items.
63. On or about August 20, 1992, Defendant WILLIAM G. ROBINSON, acting under color of authority of Defendant STATE DEPARTMENT, informed Plaintiff that he would need a license in order to publish the items included in CJ 191-92. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" is a true and correct copy of Defendant ROBINSON's letter to Plaintiff.

## Commerce Control List: Category 5 - Info. Security

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a.1.b. An asymmetric algorithm where the security of the algorithm is based on any of the following:
a.1.b.1. Factorization of integers in excess of 512 bits (e.g., RSA);
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a.1.b.3. Discrete logarithms in a group other than mentioned in 5A002.a.1.b. 2 in excess of 112 bits (e.g., Diffie-Hellman over an elliptic curve);
a.2. Designed or modified to perform cryptanalytic functions;


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Other services

## Export cipher suites in TLS

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In March 2015, export cipher suites supported by $36.7 \%$ of the 14 million sites serving browser-trusted certificates!

FREAK attack [BDFKPSZZ 2015]: Use fast 512-bit factorization to downgrade modern browsers to broken export-grade RSA.


## New Directions in Cryptography

Invited Paper

WHITFIELD DIFFIE AND MARTIN E. HELLMAN, MEMBER, IEEE

## Textbook Diffie-Hellman

[Diffie Hellman 1976]

Public Parameters
$G$ a cyclic group (e.g. $\mathbb{F}_{p}^{*}$, or an elliptic curve)
$g$ group generator

Key Exchange


## Computational problems

## Discrete Log

Problem: Given $g^{a}$, compute a.

- Solving this problem permits attacker to compute shared key by computing $a$ and raising $\left(g^{b}\right)^{a}$.
- Discrete log is in NP and coNP $\rightarrow$ not NP-complete (unless $\mathrm{P}=\mathrm{NP}$ or similar).


## Computational problems

## Diffie-Hellman problem

Problem: Given $g^{a}, g^{b}$, compute $g^{a b}$.

- Exactly problem of computing shared key from public information.
- Reduces to discrete log in some cases:
- "Diffie-Hellman is as strong as discrete log for certain primes" [den Boer 1988] "both problems are (probabilistically) polynomial-time equivalent if the totient of $p-1$ has only small prime factors"
- "Towards the equivalence of breaking the Diffie-Hellman protocol and computing discrete logarithms" [Maurer 1994] "if ... an elliptic curve with smooth order can be construted efficiently, then ... [the discrete log] can be reduced efficiently to breakingthe Diffie-Hellman protocol"
- (Computational) Diffie-Hellman assumption: This problem is hard in general.


## FIPS PUB 186-3

## FEDERAL INFORMATION PROCESSING STANDARDS PUBLICATION

## Digital Signature Standard (DSS)

CATEGORY: COMPUTER SECURITY
SUBCATEGORY: CRYPTOGRAPHY

## The DSA Algorithm

## DSA Public Key

p prime
$q$ prime, divides $(p-1)$
$g$ generator of subgroup of order $q \bmod p$
$y=g^{x} \bmod p$

Verify

$$
\begin{aligned}
& u_{1}=H(m) s^{-1} \bmod q \\
& u_{2}=r s^{-1} \bmod q \\
& r \stackrel{?}{=} g^{u_{1}} y^{u_{2}} \bmod p \bmod q
\end{aligned}
$$

## Private Key

$x$ private key

Sign
Generate random $k$.
$r=g^{k} \bmod p \bmod q$
$s=k^{-1}(H(m)+x r) \bmod q$

## Computational problems

## Discrete Log

- Breaking DSA is equivalent to computing discrete logs in the random oracle model. [Pointcheval, Vaudenay 96]


## Discrete log algorithms

Three families of discrete log algorithms:

1. Algorithms whose running time depends on the size of the order of the subgroup.

- Good for computing discrete logs in subgroups of small or smooth order.

2. Algorithms whose running time depends on the size of the log.

- Good for computing discrete logs in a known small interval.

3. Algorithms whose running time depends on the size of the modulus.

- Good for computing discrete logs in subgroups of large order.


## Computing Discrete Logs in $O(\sqrt{q})$ time

Goal: Solve $g^{\ell} \equiv t \bmod p . g$ has order $q$.
Baby-Step Giant-Step Algorithm

1. Compute $g^{0}, g^{\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor}, g^{2\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor}, \ldots$ "Giant steps"

$$
g^{0\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor} \quad g^{1\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor} \quad g^{2\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor} \quad{ }^{\prime \prime} \quad g^{3\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor}
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $g^{0\lfloor\sqrt{9}\rfloor}$ | $g^{1\lfloor\sqrt{9}\rfloor}$ | $g^{2\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor}$ | $g^{3\lfloor\sqrt{9}\rfloor}$ |

2. Compute $\operatorname{tg}^{1}, \operatorname{tg}^{2}, \ldots$ until hit "giant step". "Baby steps"

$$
\begin{aligned}
& g^{0\lfloor\sqrt{9}\rfloor} \\
& g^{1\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor} \\
& g^{2\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor} \\
& \begin{array}{lll}
t & & \operatorname{tg}^{5} \\
1 & 1 & 1 \\
& & 10 \\
& g^{3\lfloor\sqrt{q}\rfloor}
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

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|  |  |  | $t$ | $t g^{5}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - $01{ }^{1} \sqrt{9} \mid$ | $\left.g^{1}\right\|^{\prime} \sqrt{9} \mid$ | $g^{2 \mid}{ }^{1} \times$ |  |  |
| $g \xrightarrow{[\sqrt{q}\rfloor}$ | $g^{1\lfloor\sqrt{9}\rfloor}$ | $g^{2\lfloor\sqrt{\text { a }}\rfloor}$ |  | [ $\sqrt{ }$ ] |

3. Solve for $t$ from collision: $\operatorname{tg}^{5}=g^{3\lfloor\sqrt{9}\rfloor}$

- Also works for finding $\ell$ in known interval.


## Pollard rho for discrete log

- Can also use Pollard rho idea to compute discrete logs.
- Take random walk; terminates in $O(\sqrt{q})$ time. Reduces storage requirement.
- Need to use a different random function. Pollard suggested

$$
f(x)=\left\{\begin{array}{rr}
g x & 1 \leq x<p / 3 \\
x^{2} & p / 3 \leq x<2 p / 3 \\
y x & 2 p / 3 \leq x<p
\end{array}\right.
$$

Using more intervals works better.

## Taking advantage of subgroups: Pohlig-Hellman

- If $q=\prod_{i} q_{i}^{e_{i}}:$

1. Can solve discrete $\log$ in subgroup of order $q_{i}$ in time $\sqrt{q_{i}}$.
2. Can solve discrete log in each subgroup of order $q_{i}^{e_{i}}$ in time $e_{i} \sqrt{q_{i}}$.
3. Can use Chinese remainder theorem to reconstruct $\log \bmod q$.

Best practice: To avoid attacks, choose group so that $g$ generates subgroup of prime order $q>2^{160}$.

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- Implemented Pohlig-Hellman algorithm to test if servers used short exponents; computed information about secret exponent in 460 exchanges, and whole exponent for 159 hosts.


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1. Relation finding: Enumerate pairs of $B$-smooth integers equivalent $\bmod p$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
p_{1}^{a_{11}} \ldots B^{a_{1 k}}= & 1 \equiv p+1=p_{1}^{r_{11}} p_{2}^{r_{12}} \ldots B^{r_{1 k}} \\
p_{1}^{a_{21}} \ldots B^{a_{2 k}}= & 2 \equiv p+2=p_{1}^{r_{21}} p_{2}^{r_{22}} \ldots B^{r_{2 k}} \\
& \vdots \\
p_{1}^{a_{k 1}} \ldots B^{a_{k k}}= & \equiv p+z=p_{1}^{r_{k 1}} p_{2}^{r_{k 2}} \ldots B^{r_{k k}}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Index calculus: Linear algebra

Take log of both sides. Assume subgroup of order q. Then
$a_{11} \log p_{1}+\cdots+a_{1 k} \log p_{k} \equiv r_{11} \log p_{1}+\cdots+r_{1 k} \log B \bmod q$
$a_{21} \log p_{1}+\cdots+a_{2 k} \log p_{k} \equiv r_{21} \log p_{1}+\cdots+r_{2 k} \log B \bmod q$
$a_{k 1} \log p_{1}+\cdots+a_{k k} \log p_{k} \equiv r_{k 1} \log p_{1}+\cdots+r_{k k} \log B \bmod q$
Also get some relations for free: $\log -1=(p-1) / 2 \ldots$
2. Linear Algebra: Solve system of equations for $\log p_{i}$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
\log p_{1} \\
\equiv s_{1} \\
\vdots \\
\log p_{k}
\end{gathered} \overline{\equiv s_{k}}
$$

## Actually computing individual logs

Input target $t$.
3. Try to find some $B$-smooth value

$$
g^{R} t=p_{1}^{e_{1}} \ldots B^{e_{B}}
$$

Then using known values of $\log p_{i}$ write

$$
\log t=-R+e_{1} \log p_{1}+\cdots+e_{B} \log B \bmod q
$$

## Index calculus running time

1. Relation collection Runtime depends on (1) work to test if integer is $B$-smooth, (2) probability integer is $B$-smooth, (3) B.
2. Linear algebra Runtime depends on cost of sparse linear algebra for $B$-dimensional matrix $\bmod q$.
3. Individual $\log$ Runtime depends on probability that $g^{R} t$ is $B$-smoooth.

Optimizing for $B$ gives runtime of

$$
\exp ((\sqrt{2}+o(1)) \sqrt{\log p \log \log p})=L_{p}(1 / 2, \sqrt{2})
$$

## Number field sieve

[Gordon], [Joux, Lercier], [Semaev]

1. Polynomial selection: Find a polynomial $f$ and an integer $m$ such that $f(m) \equiv 0 \bmod p, \operatorname{deg} f=5$ or 6 , coeffs of $f$ relatively small. Defines a number field $\mathbb{Q}(x) / f(x)$.
For $\gamma=\sum_{i} a_{i} \alpha^{i}$ in ring of integers, define homomorphism $\varphi(\gamma)=\sum_{i} a_{i} m^{i}$ to $\mathbb{Z} / p \mathbb{Z}$.
2. Relation collection Collect relations of form

$$
\mathfrak{p}_{1}^{a_{11}} \ldots \mathfrak{B}^{a_{1 k}}=a+b \alpha \equiv a+b m=p_{1}^{r_{11}} \ldots p_{k}^{r_{1 k}}
$$

3. Linear algebra Once there are enough relations, solve for $\log p_{i}$.
4. Individual log "Descent" Try to write target $t$ as sum of logs in known database.

## Implementing the NFS with CADO-NFS


$L(1 / 3,1.923)$
$L(1 / 3,1.232)$

|  | Sieving |  |  |  |  | Linear Algebra |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | Descent |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | I | lpb | core-years |  | rows | core-years |  |  |
| core-time |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Times for cluster computation:

| polysel sieving | linalg | descent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000-3000 cores | 288 cores | 24 cores |
| 15 | 120 hour |  |

$\times$ $\qquad$

## C <br> https://www.tue.nl

## www.tue.nl

Your connection to this site is private.

Permissions


The identity of this website has been verified by TERENA SSL CA 2 but does not have public audit records.

Certificate Information

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Your connection to www.tue.nl is encrypted with modern cryptography.

The connection uses TLS 1.2.
The connection is encrypted and autherntcateorning AES_128_GCM and uses DHE_RSA as the key exchange nechanism.

Site information
You first visited this site on May 22, 2015.

## What do these mean?



Ontmoet een robot tijdens technologisch festival
27 mei 2015
Technische Universiteit Eindhoven organiseert TU/eXperience Day op zondag 31 mei.
Studiegids Intranet AA Contact Zoe


Agenda

- Afscheidscollege prof.ir. Ger Mas

29 mei 2015
, TU/eXperience Day 2015
31 mei 2015

- Hajraa Buitentoernooi 2015

12 juni 2015 t/m 14 juni 2015
, Afscheidscollege prof.dr.ir. Pieter Wijn
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Does anyone use 512-bit Diffie-Hellman?

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In April 2015, DHE_EXPORT cipher suites supported by $8.4 \%$ of the Alexa top 1 Million!

Logjam attack [ABDGGHHSTVVWZZ 2015]: Use fast 512-bit discrete log in fixed groups to downgrade HTTPS connections to insecure DHE_EXPORT cipher suites.

## Scaling discrete log computations to larger key sizes

Vulnerable servers, if the attacker can precompute for ...

|  | all 512-bit $p$ | all 768 -bit $p$ | one 1024 -bit $p$ | ten 1024 -bit $p$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| HTTPS Top 1M MITM | $45 \mathrm{~K}(8.4 \%)$ | $45 \mathrm{~K}(8.4 \%)$ | $205 \mathrm{~K}(37.1 \%)$ | $309 \mathrm{~K}(56.1 \%)$ |
| HTTPS Top 1M | $118(0.0 \%)$ | $407(0.1 \%)$ | $98.5 \mathrm{~K}(17.9 \%)$ | $132 \mathrm{~K}(24.0 \%)$ |
| HTTPS Trusted MITM | $489 \mathrm{~K}(3.4 \%)$ | $556 \mathrm{~K}(3.9 \%)$ | $1.84 \mathrm{M}(12.8 \%)$ | $3.41 \mathrm{M}(23.8 \%)$ |
| HTTPS Trusted | $1 \mathrm{~K}(0.0 \%)$ | $46.7 \mathrm{~K}(0.3 \%)$ | $939 \mathrm{~K}(6.56 \%)$ | $1.43 \mathrm{M}(10.0 \%)$ |
| IKEv1 IPv4 | - | $64 \mathrm{~K}(2.6 \%)$ | $1.69 \mathrm{M}(66.1 \%)$ | $1.69 \mathrm{M}(66.1 \%)$ |
| IKEv2 IPv4 | - | $66 \mathrm{~K}(5.8 \%)$ | $726 \mathrm{~K}(63.9 \%)$ | $726 \mathrm{~K}(63.9 \%)$ |
| SSH IPv4 | - | - | $3.6 \mathrm{M}(25.7 \%)$ | $3.6 \mathrm{M}(25.7 \%)$ |

## Summary

- RSA and "mod-p" Diffie-Hellman are old and busted.
- (At least for $\leq 1024$-bit keys.)
- Elliptic curves are the new hotness. (See Tanja's talk!)

