Quantum Cryptography

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Classical Cryptography

3000 years of fascinating history

Until 1970: private communication was the only goal





Enigma



Modern Cryptography

is everywhere!

is concerned with all settings where people do not trust each other



Edward Snowden



What will you Learn from this Talk?

Classical Cryptography (& Politics)

Quantum Mechanics

- Crypto Threat of Quantum Computing
- Quantum Cryptography
- Quantum Future

Ancient Cryptography



Ancient Cryptography



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Auguste Kerckhoffs

(<u>The Imitation Game</u>)

Secure Encryption



- Goal: Eve does not learn the message
- Setting: Alice and Bob share a secret key k

eXclusive OR (XOR) Function (exclusive disjunction)

X	У	x \oplus y
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	0

Some properties:

•
$$\forall x : x \bigoplus 0 = x$$

• $\forall x : x \bigoplus x = 0$

$$\forall x,y : x \bigoplus y \bigoplus y = x$$

One-Time Pad Encryption





 $m = c \oplus k = 0000$ 1111



- Goal: Eve does not learn the message
- Setting: Alice and Bob share a key k
- Recipe:
 - m = 0000 1111
 - k = 0101 1011
- $c = m \oplus k = 0101 0100$
 - Is it secure?

- c = 0101 0100
 - k = 0101 1011
- $c \bigoplus k = 0000 \quad 1111$ $c \bigoplus k = m \bigoplus k \bigoplus k = m \bigoplus 0 = m$

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Perfect Security



- Yes, if
- is it possible that
 - Yes, if
- it is possible that
 - k = 0000 0001• Yes, if

 $K = \frac{1}{2}$

k = 0101 0100.

 $k = 1010 \ 1011.$

 $m = 1111 \ 1111 \ ?$

m = 0101 0101?

- In fact, every m is possible.
- Hence, the one-time pad is perfectly secure!

k = ? $\mathbf{x} \oplus \mathbf{y}$ Х 0 0 0 0 1 1

Bob

 $m = c \oplus k = ?$

1 0 1 0 1 1

Problems With One-Time Pad



- The key has to be as long as the message.
- The key can only be used once.

Information Theory

- 6 EC MoL course, given in 2nd block: Nov/Dec 2018
- mandatory for Logic & Computation track
- first lecture: Tuesday, 30 October 2017, 9:00
- http://homepages.cwi.nl/~schaffne/courses/inftheory/2018/



Claude Shannon

Mathematician

Claude Elwood Shannon was an American mathematician, electronic engineer, and cryptographer known as "the father of information theory". Shannon is famous for having founded information theory with a landmark paper that he published in 1948. Wikipedia

Born: April 30, 1916, Petoskey, Michigan, United States

Died: February 24, 2001, Medford, Massachusetts, United States

Problems With One-Time Pad



- The key has to be as long as the message.
- The key can only be used once.
- In practice, other encryption schemes (such as <u>AES</u>) are used which allow to encrypt long messages with short keys.
- One-time pad does not provide <u>authentication</u>: Eve can easily flip bits in the message

Symmetric-Key Cryptography



Encryption insures secrecy:

Eve does not learn the message, e.g. one-time pad

- Authentication insures integrity:
 Eve cannot alter the message
- General problem: players have to exchange a key to start with

Public-Key Cryptography



- Solves the key-exchange problem.
- Everyone can encrypt using the <u>public key</u>.
- Only the holder of the secret key can decrypt.
- Digital signatures: Only secret-key holder can sign, but everyone can verify signatures using the public-key.

History of Public-Key Crypto



 Early 1970s: <u>invented</u> in the "classified world" at the British <u>Government Communications Head Quarters</u> (GCHQ) by Ellis, Cocks, Williamson







Mid/late 1970s: invented in the "academic world"
 by Merkle, Hellman, Diffie, and Rivest, Shamir, Adleman (RSA)





Politics of Cyberwar



- <u>Edward Snowden</u>, former CIA and NSA employee, now <u>whistleblower</u> and on (temporary) asylum in Russia
- In 2013, he leaked many thousand top secret documents to various media, documenting
- <u>mass surveillance programs</u> by secret services from all over the world





Politics of Cyberwar



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Politics of Cyberwar

- Methods:
 - Break cryptography
 - Influence industrial <u>standards</u>
 - Pressure manufacturers to make insecure devices
 - Infiltrate hardware and software (communication infrastructure, computers, smartphones etc.)
- Why mass surveillance?
 - Other than to combat terrorism, these surveillance programs have been employed to assess the foreign policy and economic stability of other countries, and to gather "commercial secrets".







Why worry?

"I have nothing to hide" is a <u>very naive reaction</u>.





- Think about what your smartphone knows about you.
- Think about what your smartphone does not know about you.



TECHNOLOGY

 2014: Facebook to Pay \$19 Billion for WhatsApp price of \$42 per user for WhatsApp.

2016: MICROSOFT BUYS LINKEDIN FOR \$26.2 BILLION

Why worry?





- "I have nothing to hide" is a <u>very naive reaction</u>.
- Everyone's personal privacy is at stake!
- <u>George Orwell</u>'s surveillance state from his book <u>1984</u> is coming true...
- "They (the NSA) can use the system to go back in time and scrutinize every decision you've ever made, every friend you've ever discussed something with, and attack you on that basis to sort of derive suspicion from an innocent life and paint anyone in the context of a wrongdoer." – Edward Snowden





Dutch Example: Dragnet Law

- Law for the intelligence and security services (Wet inlichten en veiligheidsdiensten, Wiv)
- Accepted by parliament in 2017
- Referendum initiated by (former) ILLC students
- <u>21 March 2018</u>: (6.7 mio votes, participation 51%)
 46.5% pro, 49.4% against, 4% empty
- Cosmetic adjustments were done by parliament
- Law is now in effect, allowing Dutch secret services to tap communication infrastructures of "bystanders", store it for 3 years, share data with foreign services etc.
- <u>https://www.bitsoffreedom.nl/dossiers/sleepnet/</u> <u>https://geensleep.net/</u>



Sleepwet

Cryptography and Logic



Cryptographic protocols for advanced tasks are built from basic building blocks

- Problem: security proofs become very hard to verify
- Solution:
 - Logic provides <u>formal methods</u> to specify tools and task
 - Use automatic proof checkers to verify security

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Quantum Bit: Polarization of a Photon qubit as unit vector in C²



Qubit: Rectilinear/Computational Basis



Detecting a Qubit



Measuring a Qubit



Diagonal/Hadamard Basis







Measuring Collapses the State



Measuring Collapses the State



Quantum Mechanics



Demonstration of Quantum Technology

generation of random numbers



no quantum computation, only quantum communication required

Quantum (Optics) Games

Single-player puzzle game: <u>Laser Maze</u>, beam bending logic game











Wonderland of Quantum Mechanics







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Quantum Computing



A Quantum COMPUTER

- Classical bit: 0 or 1
- Quantum bit: can be in superposition of 0 and 1



Yields a (probably) more powerful computational model

Many Qubits

- 1 qubit lives in a 2-dimensional space, can be in a superposition of 2 states
- 2 qubits live in a 4-dimensional space, can be in a superposition of 4 states $\frac{|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle}{2}$
- 3 qubits can be in superposition of 8 states
- n qubits can be in superposition of 2ⁿ states
- So, with 63 qubits, one can do
 2⁶³ = 9223372036854775808 calculations simultaneously!
- Problem: Measuring this huge superposition collapses everything and yields only one random outcome





Quantum Computing

- With n qubits, one can do 2ⁿ calculations simultaneously
- Problem: Measuring this huge superposition will collapse the state and only give one random outcome
- Solution: Use quantum interference to measure the computation you are interested in!



$$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} = 5$$



- Seems to work for specific problems only
- Requires clever design of quantum algorithms and quantum software!

Quantum Algorithms: Factoring

- [Shor '94] Polynomial-time quantum algorithm for factoring integer numbers
- 15 = 3 * 5
- 27 =
- 31 =
- **57** =
- 91 =
- 173 =

■ <u>RSA-100</u> =

15226050279225333605356183781326374297180681149613806886579084945801 22963258952897654000350692006139 =



Quantum Computer breaks Public-Key Crypto

- [Shor '94] Polynomial-time quantum algorithm for factoring integer numbers
- Classical Computer : Exponential time
- Quantum Computer : Poly-time: n²
- For a 600-digit number (RSA-2048)
 - Classical: age of universe
 - Quantum: few minutes



300

200

100



Consequence: Large enough quantum computers break all currently used public-key cryptosystems!!!

Can We Build Quantum Computers?

- Possible to build in theory, no fundamental theoretical obstacles have been found yet.
- Enormous technical challenge (control vs decoherence)



5 March 2018:

Google moves toward quantum supremacy with 72-qubit computer

IBM and Intel recently debuted similarly sized chips

Conventional Quantum-Safe Cryptography

 Wanted: new assumptions to replace factoring and discrete logarithms in order to build conventional public-key cryptography



https://csrc.nist.gov/Projects/Post-Quantum-Cryptography

- NIST "competition": 82 submissions (23 signature, 59 encryption schemes)
- Several submissions have already been broken and withdrawn
- April 2018: First-round workshop in Florida
- Expected: 3-5 years of crypto-analysis
- New standards, world-wide adoption



Example: Lattice-Based Cryptography

- For any vectors $v_1, ..., v_n$ in \mathbb{R}^n , the lattice spanned by $v_1, ..., v_n$ is the set of points $L = \{a_1v_1 + \cdots + a_nv_n | a_i \text{ integers}\}$
- Shortest Vector Problem (SVP): given a lattice L, find a shortest (nonzero) vector





- Shortest Vector Problem (SVP): given a lattice, find a shortest (nonzero) vector
- no efficient (classical or quantum) algorithms known
- public-key encryption schemes can be built on the computational hardness of SVP

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No-Cloning Theorem



Quantum operations:







Proof: copying is a non-linear operation

Quantum Key Distribution (QKD)



- Offers a quantum solution to the key-exchange problem
- Puts the players into the starting position to use symmetric-key cryptography (encryption, authentication etc.).





- Quantum states are unknown to Eve, she cannot copy them.
- Honest players can test whether Eve interfered.



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Quantum Research in NL



QuTech: 135 Mio € , 50 Mio \$ Intel Nov 2017: <u>Quantum Software Consortium</u>, NWO 18.8 Mio € for 10 years

Quantum Research in EU



Starting 2018: 1 (or 2?) Bio. € flagship program on Q technologies

Quantum Research Worldwide















TURING

Waterloo, Singapore, Santa Barbara, China, ...

Quantum Networks

- 2000km QKD backbone network
 between Beijing and Shanghai
- first QKD satellite launched in 2016 from China
- Quantum entanglement allows to generate secure keys (like QKD)





EXAMPLE QUANTUM NETWORK

- Network node
- Unused Qubit memory
- Used Qubit memory
- Physical quantum communication link
- ---- Physical classical communication link
- Wirtual link via entanglement



Secure Computing in Quantum Cloud

- Distributed quantum computing
- Recent result: quantum homomorphic encryption allows for secure delegated quantum computation







https://quantumexperience.ng.bluemix.net

Y. Dulek, C. Schaffner, and F. Speelman, arXiv:1603.09717 *Quantum homomorphic encryption for polynomial-sized circuits*, in CRYPTO 2016, QIP 2017



Links to Logic and Politics



What Have You Learned from this Talk?

- ✓ Quantum Mechanics
 - Qubits
 - Quantum Computer
 - Shor's Algorithm











Answers to the Quantum Threat

Conventional Post-Quantum Cryptography

- Can be deployed without quantum technologies
- Believed to be secure against quantum attacks of the future



Quantum Cryptography

- Requires some quantum technology (but no large-scale quantum computer)
- Typically no computational assumptions



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