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Seminar 9: Crypto-libraries protected against hardware attacks

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Outline

- Recall + goal of this seminar
 - Digital signatures
 - RSA and a bit about ECC
- Side Channel + Fault Injection speed run
- Secured X25519 library: sca25519
 Optionally (but unlikely): Demo
- Assignment this week:
 - Securing RSA execution

Recall: Asymmetric cryptosystem



Internetwork Security (Stallings)

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Recall: Digital signature scheme



Source: Network and Internetwork Security (Stallings)

RSA (recall)

RSA: reminder

- 1. Secret primes $p, q: n = p \cdot q$
- Public exponent e: gcd(e, (p − 1)) = gcd(e, (q − 1)) = 1
 Private exponent d: d ⋅ e ≡ 1 mod φ(n) Encryption (public n, e): E(m) = m^e mod n = c
 Decryption (private n, d): D(c) = c^d mod n = m

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RSA-CRT + demo

- Optimization of computing a signature giving about 3 or 4-fold speed-up
- Precompute the following values:
 - Find $d_p = d \pmod{p-1}$, computed as $d_p = e^{-1} \pmod{p-1}$
 - Find $d_q = d \pmod{q-1}$
 - Compute $i_q = q^{-1} \pmod{p}$
- Computations using $m_p = m \pmod{p}$ and $m_q = m \pmod{q}$
- Signature or encryption (forgetting about hashing):
 - $s_p = m^{d_p} \pmod{p}$
 - $s_q = m^{d_q} \pmod{q}$
 - Garner's method (1965) to recombine s_p and s_q :
 - $s = s_q + q \cdot (i_q(s_p s_q) \pmod{p})$
- Computations using $m_p = m \pmod{p}$ and $m_q = m \pmod{q}$
- Open RSA.py and run it. Analyze it, what are your conclusions?
 - What is the speed improvement?

ECC (recall)

Recall: RSA vs. ECC

- exponentiation ≈ scalar multiplication
- multiplication \approx points addition
- squaring \approx point doubling
- The next few slides be ECC recall



Elliptic curve example

- Example
 - $y^2 = x^3 3x^2 + 5$ over \mathbb{Q} , and ∞
- How would it look over a finite field,
 - for example: F_p ? for p = 7919







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Elliptic curve implementations

Group operation over the curve: addition and doubling



Elliptic curve implementations' details

• Above operations on the finite field:



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ECC keys

- Generating key pair
 - Select a random integer **d** from [1,n 1]
 - Compute $P = [d]G = d^*G;$
 - Hard to get d from P and G!
- Private key: d
- Public key: **P**,
 - also: G, and curve details are also public
- For 256-bit curve
 - the private key **d** will be approx. 256-bit long
 - the public key P is a point on the curve will be approx 512-bit long, unless compressed

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Why is hardware security important?

Card / Money Theft



Identity Theft



Premium



Phone / Money Theft



Impersonation



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Cookies Example



https://www.simplethread.com/great-scott-timing-attack-demo/



Passive vs Active Side Channels

Passive: analyze device behavior



Active: change device behavior



Recent Practical Attacks

TPM-FAIL, November 13, 2019



LadderLeak, May 28, 2020

LadderLeak: Side-channel security flaws exploited to break ECDSA cryptography



SCA Titan: January 7, 2021



Minerva, October 3, 2019

Researchers Discover ECDSA Key Recovery Method



TPMScan, March 12, 2024

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What can be attacked & why?

- Type of device?
- What kind of primitive?
- How much control do you have?
- What can you access?
- What would be the attacker's goal?
- What is your goal?
- Where is the money?

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Some Practical Setups

DPA setup with ARM CortexM4



FA setup



Tempest



FPGA board for SCA



Simple Power Analysis (SPA) on RSA



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Differential (Correlation) Power Analysis



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Goals of Fault Injection

- The goal is to change a critical value or to change the flow of a program.
- Faults can be injected in several ways:
 - Power glitches
 - Optical glitches with laser
 - Clock manipulation by introducing a few very short clock cycles
 - Cutting the power to the processor while performing important computations
- Differential Fault Analysis (DFA)

RSA-CRT: Differential Fault Analysis

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 - $s = s_q + q \cdot (i_q(s_p s_q) \pmod{p})$
- Due to a limited time, we need to skip the math details on how to recover p and q, but it is possible with one fault!
 - If you are interested, ask me after the seminar; it is a so-called Bellcore attack, see for example: <u>https://eprint.iacr.org/2012/553.pdf</u>

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How to protect against FI?

- You have to check that the operations was correctly executed, for example:
 - Duplication of operations;
 - For signature generation you can verify the result
 - Some SCA countermeasures will work even for FI
 - But not all

Warm-up Question (1-2): Software for PIN code verification



- What is the problem here?
- What are the execution times of the process for PIN inputs?
 - [0,1,2,3], [5,3,0,2], [5,9,0,0]
- The execution time increases as we get closer to
 - [5,9,0,2]
- How would you perform a fault injection attack here?

Warm-up Task – parity check for DES key

```
public static boolean checkParity ( byte[]key, int offset) {
     for (int i = 0; i < DES KEY LEN; i++) { // for all key bytes
             byte keyByte = key[i + offset];
             int count = 0;
             while (keyByte != 0) { // loop till no '1' bits left
                    if ((keyByte & 0x01) != 0) {
                         count++; // increment for every '1' bit
                    keyByte >>>= 1; // shift right
             }
             if ((count & 1) == 0) { // not odd
                    return false; // parity not adjusted
             }
     return true; // all bytes were odd
```

Warm-up Task – parity check for DES key



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Warm-up Task – parity check for DES key



Question 1: faster and more secure modexp - Montgomery ladder

x₀=x; x₁=x²
for j=k-2 to 0 {
if d_j=0

$$x_1=x_0*x_1$$
; $x_0=x_0^2$
else
 $x_0=x_0*x_1$; $x_1=x_1^2$
 $x_1=x_1 \mod N$
 $x_0=x_0 \mod N$
}
return x_0

Both branches with the same number and type of operations (unlike square and multiply on previous slide)

Is it constant-time & secure? Why?

Question 2: even more secure modexp

$$x_0 = x; x_1 = x^2$$

for j=k-2 to 0 {
 $b=d_j$
 $x_{(1-b)} = x_0 * x_1; x_b = x_b^2$
 $x_1 = x_1 \mod N$
 $x_0 = x_0 \mod N$
}
return x_0

Memory access often is not constant time! Especially in the presence of caches.

Is it constant-time & secure? Why?

Question 3: even more secure modexp

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 $x_0 = x_0 \mod N$
}
return x_0

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Is it constant-time & secure? Why?



Question 4: even more more secure modexp

```
x<sub>0</sub>=x; x<sub>1</sub>=x<sup>2</sup>; sw = 0

for j=k-2 to 0 {

b=d<sub>j</sub>

cswap(x<sub>0</sub>,x<sub>1</sub>,b\oplussw)

sw = sw\oplusdi

x<sub>1</sub>=x<sub>0</sub>*x<sub>1</sub>; x<sub>0</sub>=x<sub>0</sub><sup>2</sup>

x<sub>1</sub>=x<sub>1</sub> mod N

x<sub>0</sub>=x<sub>0</sub> mod N

}

return x<sub>0</sub>
```

Constant-time? Depends on the cswap... but it can be © Other-side channels? Depends ©

Is it constant-time & secure? Why?

Message and exponent blinding

 $c = m^d \mod N$ 1. $m_r = m. r^{-e} \mod N$ message blinding2. $d_r = d + r * \varphi(n)$ exponent blinding3. $c_r = m_r^{d_r} \mod n$ blinded exponentiation4. $c = c_r * r \mod n$ message "unblinding"

The sequence of operations (S, M) is related to the exponent bits.

However:

- If *d* is random: the sequence of exponent bits changes for every RSA execution
- If *m* is random: Intermediate data is random (masked) → hardly predicted!

Message and exponent blinding

 $c = m^d \mod N$ 1. $m_r = m.r^{-e} \mod N$ message blinding2. $d_r = d + r * \varphi(n)$ exponent blinding3. $c_r = m_r^{d_r} \mod n$ blinded exponentiation4. $c = c_r * r \mod n$ message "unblinding"

- Message blinding is the same!
- Exponent blinding needs to be done twice:

 $\begin{aligned} \mathbf{s}_{\mathsf{p}} &= m^{d_p} \pmod{\mathsf{p}} = m^{d_p + \mathsf{r}^*(\mathsf{p}\text{-}1)} \pmod{\mathsf{p}} \\ \mathbf{s}_{\mathsf{q}} &= m^{d_q} \pmod{\mathsf{q}} = m^{d_q + \mathsf{r}^*(\mathsf{q}\text{-}1)} \pmod{\mathsf{q}} \end{aligned}$

• That does not stop FI attacks!

Why do coordinate and scalar blinding protect ECC against SCA?

$$M = [s]P = [s](X,Y) = [s](x,y,1)$$

$$1.M = [s](x,z,y,z,z) \longrightarrow \text{ coordinate blinding}$$

$$2. s_r = s + r. |E| \longrightarrow \text{ scalar blinding}$$

$$3. M_r = [s_r](x,z,y,z,z) \longrightarrow \text{ blinded scalar mult.}$$

$$4. \longrightarrow \text{ no unblinding}$$

The same situation as for RSA. Point blinding is also possible but not presented above.

Note: there are of course differences in some detailed countermeasures.
CODE INSPECTION PROTECTED CRYPTO LIBRARY

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SCA&FI-protected Elliptic Curve library

- A protected library for ECDH
 - key exchange & session key establishment
 - It will be published in TCHES2023 volume 1 and
 - presented at Ches 2023 in Prague
- Code library available from GitHub
- Useful links:
 - https://eprint.iacr.org/2021/1003
 - https://github.com/sca-secure-library-sca25519/sca25519
- Taking care of ECDSA:
 - https://eprint.iacr.org/2022/1254
 - I will add it to the repository later on.

What to do first

- Download (or clone) the code from:
 - <u>https://github.com/sca-secure-library-sca25519/sca25519</u>
- If you do not know C then it will be tricky but in this case try to be intuitive.
- Task 1: have a look at the STM32F407-unprotected:
 - Please find the starting point.
 - Please find the scalar multiplication function.
 - And the scalar multiplication loop.
 - What the code is doing?

Task 1: Unprotected Crypto Library

•	~/GIT/sca25519_github/sca25519/STM32F407-unprotected/main.c (sca25519) - Sublime Text
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v 🚔 sca25519	1 #include "main.h"
common	
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In hostside	
libopencm3	7 const UN 256bitValue unprotected key = {
STM32F407-ephemeral	8 {0x80, 0x65, 0x74, 0xba, 0x61, 0x62, 0xcd, 0x58, 0x49, 0x30, 0x59,
STM32F407-static	9 0x47, 0x36, 0x16, 0x35, 0xb6, 0xe7, 0x7d, 0x7c, 0x7a, 0x83, 0xde, 10 0x38, 0xc0, 0x80, 0x74, 0xb8, 0xc9, 0x8f, 0xd4, 0x0a, 0x43}};
STM32F407-unprotected	11 #define MAX 100
 iiii crypto 	
main.bin	14 clock setup();
/* main.c	15 gpio_setup(); 16 usart_setup(115200);
/* main.d	
/* main.h	18 char str[100]; 19
	20 send USART str((unsigned char*)"Program started.");
/* Makefile	21 22uint8_t result[32];
/* stm32f4_wrapper.c	22
/* stm32f4_wrapper.d	24 unsigned int oldcount;
/* stm32wrapper.h	25 unsigned long long newcount = 0; 26 SCS_DEMCR = SCS_DEMCR_TRCENA;
/* test.c	27 DWT_CYCCNT = 0;
/* test.d	28 DWT_CTRL = DWT_CTRL CYCCNTENA; 29 for (i = 0; i < MAX; i++) {
/* test.h	30 oldcount = DWT CYCCNT:
.gitmodules	<pre>31 crypto_scalarmult_base_curve25519(result, unprotected_key.as_uint8_t); 32 newcount += (DWT CYCCNT - oldcount);</pre>
LICENSE	33 } 34
<> README.md	34 35 sprintf(str, "Cost of scalarmult: %d", (unsigned)(newcount / MAX));
	36 send USART str((unsigned char*)str):
	37 38 uint32 t res;
	42 res = test curve25519 DH();
	<pre>43 sprintf(str, "Test DH(0 correct): %lu", res); 44 send USART str((unsigned char*)str);</pre>
	<pre>46 res = test_curve25519_DH_TV(); 47 sprintf(str, "Test DH_TV(0 correct): %lu", res);</pre>
	<pre>48 send USART_str((unsigned char*)str);</pre>
	<pre>49 send USART str((unsigned char*)"Done!");</pre>
	52 while (1)

Task 1: Unprotected Crypto Library cont'd

.15 *int* crypto_scalarmult_curve25519(

```
148
149
       state.previousProcessedBit = 0;
151
       // Process all the bits except for the last three where we explicitly double
152
       // the result.
153
       while (state.nextScalarBitToProcess >= 0) {
154
         uint8 t byteNo = (uint8 t)(state.nextScalarBitToProcess >> 3);
155
         uint8 t bitNo = (uint8 t)(state.nextScalarBitToProcess \& 7);
156
         uint8 t bit;
157
         uint8 t swap;
158
159
         bit = 1 \& (state.s.as uint8 t[byteNo] >> bitNo);
         swap = bit ^ state.previousProcessedBit;
         state.previousProcessedBit = bit;
162
         curve25519 cswap(&state, swap);
163
         curve25519 ladderstep(&state);
164
         state.nextScalarBitToProcess--;
165
```

Protected Crypto Library – other implementations

Ephemeral & Static increase complexity



Task 2: Ephemeral Crypto Library

- Have a look at the STM32F407-ephermeral (and STM32F407-static):
 - Find scalar multiplication functions and the scalar multiplication loops
- Try to find one side-channel countermeasure and one fault injection countermeasure. Have also a look at the list of implemented countermeasures in:
 - <u>https://tches.iacr.org/index.php/TCHES/issue/view/312</u>
- Can you explain the countermeasures?
- If you have time, then try to find one or two more countermeasures

Remark: do not worry – this is a hard exercise.

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Task 2: Ephemeral Crypto Library - FI

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411 412 413 414	<pre>// ### alg. step 5 ### INCREMENT_BY_163(fid_counter);</pre>		
414 415 416 417 418 419	<pre>// Double 3 times before we start. ### alg. step 6 ### curve25519 doublePointP(&state); curve25519_doublePointP(&state); curve25519_doublePointP(&state);</pre>		
419 420 421 422	// ### alg.step 7 ### INCREMENT_BY_163(fid_counter);		
422 423 424 425 426 427	if (!fe25519_iszero(&state.zp)) // ### alg. step 8 ### { goto fail; // ### alg. step 9 ### }		
428 429 430	<pre>// Optimize for stack usage when implementing ### alg. step 10 ### fe25519_invert_useProvidedScratchBuffers(&state.zp, &state.zp, &state.xv);</pre>	۲q,	
431 432	fe25519_mul(&state.xp, &state.xp, &state.zp); fe25519_reduceCompletely(&state.xp);	506 507	
433 434 435	fe25519_cpy(<mark>&</mark> state.x0, &state.xp);	508 509	
		510 511 512	
		512	

Find the same countermeasure in the static implementation.

```
fe25519_reduceCompletely(&state.xp);
INCREMENT_BY_163(fid_counter); // ### alg. step 21 ###
// ### alg. step 22 ###
if (fid_counter != (163 * 4 + 251 * 9)) {
fail:
    retval = -1;
    randombytes(state.xp.as_uint8_t, 32); // ### alg. step 23 ###
} else {
    retval = 0;
}
fe25519_pack(r, &state.xp);
return retval;
```

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Task 2: Ephemeral Crypto Library - SCA

352	<pre>static void maskScalarBitsWithRandomAndCswap(</pre>
353	ST_curve25519ladderstepWorkingState *pState, <i>uint32_t</i> wordWithConditionBit,
354	uint32 t bitNumber) {
355	$uint32 t$ randomDataBuffer[2] = {0, 0};
356	<pre>randombytes((uint8 t *)randomDataBuffer, sizeof(randomDataBuffer));</pre>
357	
358	<pre>// first combine the scalar bit with a random value which has</pre>
359	<pre>// the bit at the data position cleared</pre>
360	<pre>uint32 t mask = randomDataBuffer[0] & (~(1 << bitNumber));</pre>
361	<pre>wordWithConditionBit ^= mask;</pre>
362	
363	<pre>// Arrange for having the condition bit at bit #0 and random data elsewhere.</pre>
364	ROTATER(wordWithConditionBit, bitNumber);
365	
366	cSwapAndRandomize(wordWithConditionBit, pState->xp.as_uint32_t,
367	pState->xq.as uint32 t, randomDataBuffer[1]);
368	cSwapAndRandomize(wordWithConditionBit, pState->zp.as uint32 t,
369	pState->zq.as uint32 t, randomDataBuffer[1]);
370	}
271	

Task 2: Ephemeral Crypto Library – SCA cont'd

352 353	<pre>static void maskScalarBitsWithRandomAndCswap(ST curve25519ladderstepWorkingState *pState, uint32 t wordWithConditionBit,</pre>
354	uint32 t bitNumber) {
355	<pre>uint32_t randomDataBuffer[2] = {0, 0};</pre>
356	<pre>randombytes((uint8_t *)randomDataBuffer, sizeof(randomDataBuffer));</pre>
357	//
358	<pre>// first combine the scalar bit with a random value which has</pre>
359	// the bit at the data position cleared
360	<pre>uint32_t mask = randomDataBuffer[0] & (~(1 << bitNumber));</pre>
361	<pre>wordWithConditionBit ^= mask;</pre>
362	
363	<pre>// Arrange for having the condition bit at bit #0 and random data elsewhere.</pre>
364	ROTATER(wordWithConditionBit, bitNumber);
365	
366	<pre>cSwapAndRandomize(wordWithConditionBit, pState->xp.as_uint32_t,</pre>
367	pState->xq.as_uint32_t, randomDataBuffer[1]);
368	cSwapAndRandomize(wordWithConditionBit, pState->zp.as_uint32_t,
369	pState->zq.as_uint32_t, randomDataBuffer[1]);
370	}
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Task 3: Static Crypto Library – SCA

- Find scalar splitting (similar to blinding):
 - 1. Generate 64-bit r and computer r⁻¹
 - 2. Compute P' = [r⁻¹*k]*P
 - 3. Compute [r]*P' = [k]P
- Does it work?
- Find this countermeasure in the static SCA code: Steps 2 and 3.

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Exercise: Protected Crypto Library 3

Step 2

```
### alg. step 22 ###
  while (state.nextScalarBitToProcess >= 0) {
   uint8 t limbNo = 0;
   uint8 t bitNo = 0;
#ifdef MULTIPLICATIVE CSWAP
     bitNo = state.nextScalarBitToProcess & 0x1f;
     // ### alg. step 22 and ###
      maskScalarBitsWithRandomAndCswap(&state, state.s.as uint32 t[limbNo],
      limbNo = (uint8 t)(state.nextScalarBitToProcess >> 5);
#ifdef ITOH COUNTERMEASURE
     uint32 t temp = state.s.as_uint32_t[limbNo] ^ itoh.as_uint32_t[limbNo];
      state.s.as uint32 t[limbNo] <<= 1;</pre>
      itoh.as uint32 t[limbNo] <<= 1;</pre>
      curve25519 cswap asm(&state, &state.s.as uint32 t[limbNo]);
    if (state.nextScalarBitToProcess >= 1) // ### alg. step 24
      INCREMENT BY NINE(fid counter); // alg. step 27
#ifdef MULTIPLICATIVE CSWAP
#ifdef ITOH COUNTERMEASURE
#ifdef ITOH COUNTERMEASURE
      curve25519 cswap asm(&state, &itohShift.as uint32 t[limbNo]);
```

Step 3

```
#ifdef MULTIPLICATIVE CSWAP
      bitNo = state.nextScalarBitToProcess & 0x1f:
      maskScalarBitsWithRandomAndCswap(&state, state.r.as uint32 t[limbNo],
      limbNo = (uint8 t)(state.nextScalarBitToProcess >> 5);
#ifdef ITOH COUNTERMEASURE64
      uint32 t temp = state.r.as uint32 t[limbNo] ^ itoh64.as uint32 t[limbNo];
      curve25519 cswap asm(&state, &temp);
      itoh64.as uint32 t[limbNo] <<= 1;</pre>
       curve25519 cswap asm(&state, &state.r.as uint32 t[limbNo]);
     if (state.nextScalarBitToProcess >= 1) // ### alg. step 39
      curve25519_ladderstep(&state); // ### alg. step 40
INCREMENT BY NINE(fid counter); // ### alg. step 42
#ifdef MULTIPLICATIVE CSWAP
#ifdef ITOH COUNTERMEASURE64
      maskScalarBitsWithRandomAndCswap(&state, itoh64Shift.as_uint32_t[limbNo],
#ifdef ITOH COUNTERMEASURE64
      curve25519 cswap asm(&state, &itoh64Shift.as uint32 t[limbNo]);
    state.nextScalarBitToProcess--;
```

Efficiency Demo (Optionally)

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Demo Instructions

- Open in a browser: <u>https://github.com/sca-secure-library-sca25519/sca25519</u>
- And follow the instructions from there
 There are some issues related to the libopencm3 library
- You need a Discover board and an FTDI cable
- git clone <u>https://github.com/sca-secure-library-</u> sca25519/sca25519.git

CONCLUSIONS & QUESTIONS

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Assignment 7 – Countermeasures

- This is a programming assignment. Please upload your scripts/code and the required analysis via the course webpage.
- The deadline for submission is Nov. 28, 2024, 8:00.
 -3 points for each started 24h after the deadline.
- Your code should be contained in one .py file. Please name the submission file as <uco_number>_hw7.zip. Put there both the python code, the analysis document, and all data produced during analysis (as long as the size is reasonable).
- The code must contain comments so that it is reasonably easy to understand how to run the script for evaluating each answer.

Assignment 7 - Tasks

 Have a look at the RSA_homework.py file. There are some comments for you there too. Protect the CRT implementation with exponent blinding in the function TCR_protected! First, test and then modify the code (the result should be the same). In a separate report (max 2 pages), write why the countermeasure works (does not affect the correctness of the result). Then, perform a useful analysis of the efficiency cost of the countermeasure (repeat the experiment a number of times and report a percent increase). [2.0 points]

- 2. Protect the CRT implementation with message blinding! Note that this will require knowledge of the public exponent e. In the document, write why the countermeasure works. Then, perform a useful analysis of the cost of the countermeasure. **[3.0 points]**
- 3. Protect the CRT implementation against fault injection! Any countermeasure is OK. In the document, write why the countermeasure works. Then, perform a useful analysis of the cost of the countermeasure. [1.5]
- 4. Combine all the countermeasures and measure the time of all additional countermeasures and how well they work. Write that in the report. **[1.5 points]**
- 5. Instead of exponent blinding, implement exponent splitting. How does it compare to blinding efficiencywise? Order the countermeasures with respect to their efficiency. [2 point]

6. Bonus:

- Implement another extra countermeasure (any, it can be either SCA or FI). What is its cost? [1 point] **Remark:** we are securing Python code and, for the sake of this exercise, assume that the code is directly executed by the processor (and not interpreted etc.)

Consultation: Friday at 9:00 in A406.

Good luck!!!