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A New Baby-Step Giant-Step Algorithm and Some Applications to Cryptanalysis

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Overview



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Introduction : the GPS scheme

Introduction : the GPS scheme (1)



- The scheme
 - Introduced by Girault in 1991
 - Proved secure by Poupard and Stern in 1998

- Parameters/keys
 - Public key
 - n a RSA modulus
 - g an invertible element in $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^*$
 - v an element of $\langle g \rangle$; i.e. $v = g^{-s} \bmod n$

 - Private key
 - s in $[0, \text{ord}(g)[$

Introduction : the GPS scheme (2)



Off-line
computation

$$v = g^{-s} \text{ mod } n$$

$$r \in [0, 2^R[$$

$$W = g^r \text{ mod } n$$

$$\xrightarrow{W}$$

$$\xleftarrow{c} c \in [0, 2^k[$$

$$y = r + sc$$

$$\xrightarrow{y}$$

$$g^y v^c = W \text{ mod } n$$

On-line
computation



Introduction : the GPS scheme (3)



- If used with the precomputation of $W=g^r \text{ mod } n$
 - Very efficient scheme for the prover : only $y=r+sc$
 - Eventually in RFID tags
 - few computation capabilities



– *Improvement of GPS for a better integration?*

At CHES'04, Girault and Lefranc suggested 3 improvements : one is a new type of private keys



A new type of private keys for GPS

New private keys for GPS : description (1)

- The new type of private keys :
 - $s = s_1 s_2$ with s_1 in X_1 and s_2 in X_2
 - s_1 and s_2 with a low Hamming weight
 - the computation of $s \times c$ is improved

New private keys for GPS : security (1)



The new type of private keys: $s=s_1s_2$ with s_1 in X_1 and s_2 in X_2

➤ Security?

➤ In a group of known order q

$$v = g^{s_1s_2 \bmod q} \bmod p \Rightarrow v^{s_1^{-1} \bmod q} \bmod p = g^{s_2} \bmod p$$

- With a BSGS-like algorithm : recovers the key in $O(|X_1|+|X_2|)$ group exp.

➤ GPS : group order is unknown. This attack is not possible

New private keys for GPS : security (2)



The new private key: $s = s_1 s_2$ with s_1 in X_1 and s_2 in X_2

➤ Security?

➤ GPS uses a RSA modulus

- $ord(g)$ unknown to the enemy
- $s_1^{-1} \bmod ord(g)$ infeasible

- No better known attack than an exhaustive search **In time** $O(|X_1| \times |X_2|)$ **group exp.**

➤ *Note : Stinson's attack for low Hamming weight private keys*

New private keys for GPS : security (3)



- we present here two new algorithms to better the cryptanalysis of such private keys
 - One general improvement for product in groups of unknown order
 - One specific improvement for such private keys



First improvement of cryptanalysis

First improvement of cryptanalysis (1)



➤ Basic idea :

$$v = g^{s_1 s_2 \bmod q} \bmod p \Rightarrow v^{s_1^{-1} \bmod q} \bmod p = g^{s_2} \bmod p$$

Inverting is infeasible, but :

$$\left(v^{s_1^{-1} \bmod q} \right)_{j \in X_1}^{\prod j} = \left(g^{s_2} \right)_{j \in X_1}^{\prod j}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow v_{j \in X_1 \setminus \{s_1\}}^{\prod j} = \left(g_{j \in X_1}^{\prod j} \right)^{s_2}$$

➤ **BSGS-like algorithm can be performed**

First improvement of cryptanalysis (2)



➤ BSGS algorithm $v^{\prod_{j \in X_1 \setminus \{s_1\}} j} = \left(g^{\prod_{j \in X_1} j} \right)^{s_2}$

➤ 2 sets :

$$\left\{ v^{\prod_{j \in X_1 \setminus \{a\}} j}, a \in X_1 \right\} \quad \left\{ \left(g^{\prod_{j \in X_1} j} \right)^b, b \in X_2 \right\}$$

- Search a same element for a given a and b
- The private key is equal to $a \times b$

First improvement of cryptanalysis (3)



➤ Complexity?
➤ Computation of $\left\{ v^{\prod_{j \in X_1 \setminus \{a\}} j}, a \in X_1 \right\}$?

- With a basic method, in time $O(|X_1|^2)$ group exp.

➤ Computation of $\left\{ \left(g^{\prod_{j \in X_1} j} \right)^b, b \in X_2 \right\}$?

- Once $g^{\prod_{j \in X_1} j}$ is computed : in time $O(|X_2|)$ group exp.

First improvement of cryptanalysis (4)



➤ The computation of $\left\{ v^{\prod_{j \in X_1 \setminus \{a\}} j}, a \in X_1 \right\}$ in time $O(|X_1|^2)$
group exp. must be improved

➤ Otherwise :

- the BSGS algorithm in time $O(|X_1|^2 + |X_2|)$ group exp.
- An exhaustive search in time $O(|X_1| \times |X_2|)$ group exp.

Not a better cryptanalysis!

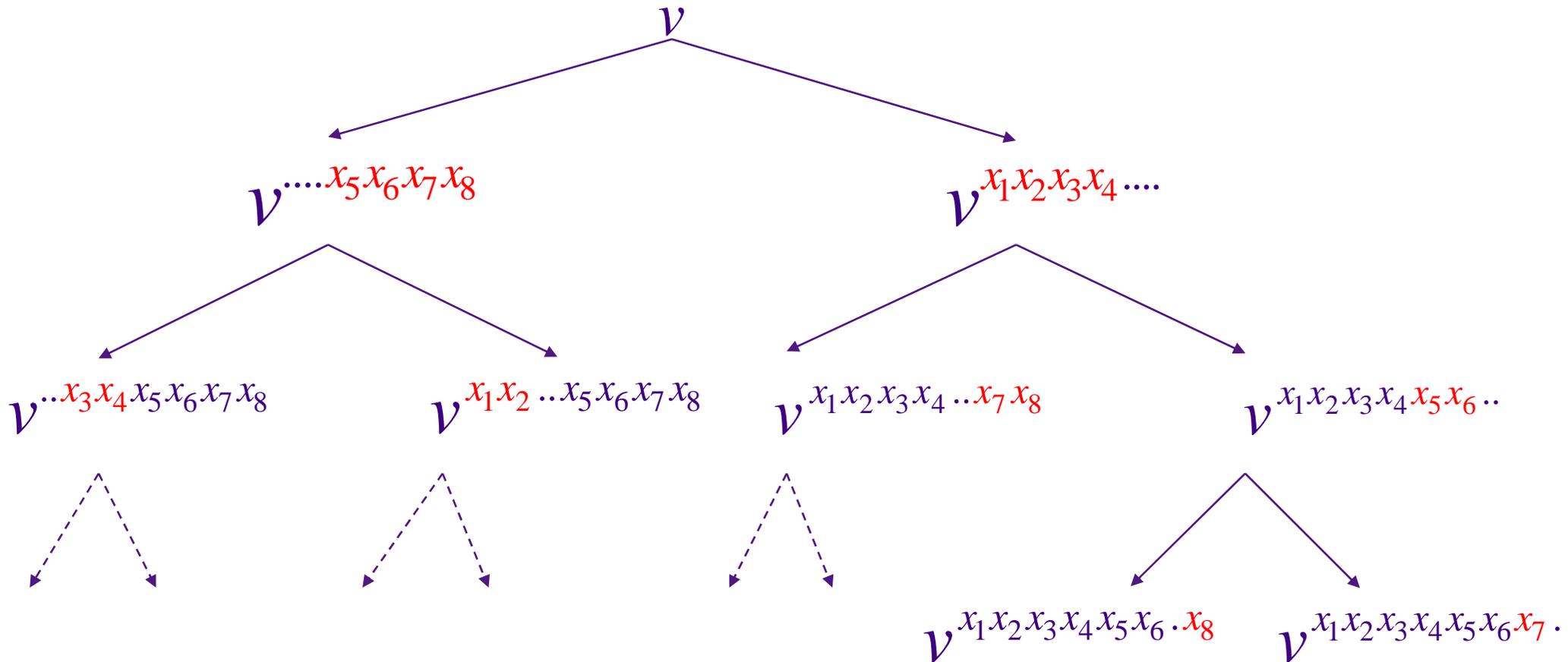
We present a new method in time $O(|X_1| \ln(|X_1|))$ group exp.

First improvement of cryptanalysis (5)



- The trick for an efficient computation :
 - Use of a binary tree structure
 - The tree does not need to be saved
 - Description for a set $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_8\}$ of cardinality $8=2^3$

First improvement of cryptanalysis (5)



First improvement of cryptanalysis (6)



- Analysis of the algorithm :
 - *Depth of the tree : $\ln |X|$*
 - Each step involves exactly $|X|$ group exp.
- Time complexity : $O(|X| \ln |X|)$ group exp.

First improvement of cryptanalysis (7)



- Complexity of the full BSGS-like algorithm :

$$O(|X_2| + |X_1| \ln |X_1|) \text{ group exp.}$$

- *In comparison with the exhaustive search in*

$$O(|X_2| \times |X_1|) \text{ group exp.}$$

First improvement of cryptanalysis (8)



➤ Numerical application

- s_2 a 142-bit number with 17 non-zero bits
- s_1 a 19-bit number with 6 non-zero bits

- Exhaustive search in 2^{80} group exp.
- With the new BSGS-like algorithm :

in time 2^{69} group exp.



Second improvement of cryptanalysis

Second improvement of cryptanalysis (1)



➤ The new private key: $s=s_1s_2$ with s_1 in X_1 and s_2 in X_2

➤ s_1 and s_2 with a low Hamming weight

$$v = g^{s_1s_2} \Leftrightarrow v = \left(g^{s_1} \right)^{s_2} = h^{s_2}$$

➤ in base h , v has a low hamming weight

- Stinson attack can be applied for each possible h

Second improvement of cryptanalysis (2)



➤ Numerical application

➤ s_2 a 142-bit number with 17 non-zero bits

➤ s_1 a 19-bit number with 6 non-zero bits

- Exhaustive search in 2^{80} group exp.
- With the new BSGS-like algorithm : 2^{69} group exp.
- The new attack : 2^{54} group exp.

Conclusion



- 2 improvements of cryptanalysis for new GPS private keys
 - One is a new BSGS algorithm for product in group of unknown order
 - Almost the same complexity as in groups of known order
 - One specific to the new private keys.