

Symmetric primitives, winter 2014/15

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4. Exercise sheet

Hand in solutions until Monday, 17 November 2014, 13:59

Exercise 4.1 (CRIME or Poodle). (6 points)

Choose either the CRIME or the Poodle attack. 6

Describe the attack and countermeasures. (Do not forget to properly cite your sources.)

Exercise 4.2 (HMAC documentation). (6 points)

Find the basic, up-to-date RFC for HMAC-SHA1. 6

Explain how many executions of the compression function are needed, in particular,

- for 55 Bytes. *Hint*: This should be four.
- for 56 or 57 Bytes. *Hint*: This should be five.

Exercise 4.3 (TLS documentation). (8+4 points)

Find the basic, up-to-date RFC for TLS and read it.

- (i) Under which conditions is perfect forward security provided? Can the client force it? Can the server force it? 3
- (ii) Which endpoint identities does the protocol hide? (Consider three cases: the attacker merely observes, the attacker acts as client, the attacker acts as server.) 3
- (iii) Does the protocol provide live partner reassurance? (Otherwise an attacker can *replay* possibly modified old messages.) 2
- (iv) Break the newest version of TLS. +4