Educational Software
For A Cryptographic Laboratory

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1. ABSTRACT

The purpose of this project is to develop an educational program to demonstrate RSA public key encryption/decryption and RSA signature with small key lengths for a Cryptographic laboratory. The application is designed and implemented in such a way so that it is a user friendly interface; it offers the user flexibilities in data input/output and capabilities to visualize main calculations in the crypto-algorithm. In addition, main calculations needed for the RSA algorithm are also implemented; this allows user to compute calculations when performing public key encryption/decryption or RSA signature.

2. INTRODUCTION

Public key cryptography, especially RSA algorithm, has been widely used in industry since 90s. In last fifteen years, many studies and researches have been performed and published on RSA algorithm; however, there is very few software that efficiently shows the main calculation process of the algorithm. When studying public key cryptography, students have very few chances to fully explore and verify intermediate values along with its calculations. In real life, most of RSA cryptographic products are tightly integrated with other applications, and users are unable to see any cryptographic transformations. In attempt to bridge this gap, this application is designed to be implemented to offer students a user friendly interface software, which allows users to manipulate input values to visualize all process of cryptography and trace through intermediate values a long with its calculations. In addition, main calculation utilities needed for RSA encryption/decryption and RSA signature are also implemented to offer the user useful tools to compute necessary values when performing public key encrypting or decrypting.
3. DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS

i. Languages, compiler, and flat form to run the application

a. Languages:
   Delphi 6 and Assembly are used to implement the application.

b. Compiler:
   Delphi 6 - Borland.

c. Platform:
   Since our purpose is to design an application with good performance, reliability, and user friendly user interface; therefore, Windows is the main platform for our application.

ii. Range of variables for arithmetic operations

The range of variables for arithmetic operations in the program is 64-bit integer, whose range is -2^63 and 2^63.

16-bit key length is initially selected to implement the RSA algorithm.

iii. Main functions

a. Main functions needed for Database management:
   + Add: Add new user to the database
   + Delete: Delete a user currently in the database
   + Edit: Edit to revise user information in database
   + Change key: Change key values for a user in the database
   + Search: Search to display all user information currently in the database.

b. Main functions for calculation utilities
   + Check prime number:
     Input: An integer number.
     Output: Confirmation whether input number is an prime number or not.
   + Multi-Inverse: Find x so that a.x=1 mod N
     Input: a, N: integer.
     Output: x so that a.x=1 mod N.
+ GCD: Find GCD(a,b)
   Input: a, b: integer.
   Output: GCD(a,b)

+ Congruence: Find x so that a.x=b mod N
   Input: a, b, N: integer.
   Output: x so that a.x=b mod N.

+ Left-To-Right Binary Exponential: Find Y=M^E mod N
   Input: M, E, N: integer.
   Output: Compute Y=(M^E mod N) by using Left-To-Right Binary Exponential

+ Right-To-Left Binary Exponential: Find Y=M^E mod N
   Input: M, E, N: integer.
   Output: Compute Y=(M^E mod N) by using Right-To-Left Binary Exponential

c. GetPublicKey: [e,n]=GetpublicKey(IP, PKIDirectoryFile);
   Input: Either IP Address or Email Address and PKI Directory file.
   Output: Public key e and n for the desired IP/ email address.

d. RSA_Key_Generator: [e,n,d]=fk(p,q)
   Input: p, q: large prime numbers.
   Output: Public key [e,n]=fpub(p,q)
           Private key [d,n]=fprv(p,q)

e. MD5 Hash function: h=H(m)
   Input: Message m: arbitrary length
   Output: h: 128-bit fixed length h=H(m)

f. Encryption: C=fe(M,n,e)
   Input: Message arbitrary length, public key (e,n)
   Output: Cipher text C=fe(M,n,e)

g. Decryption: M=fd(C,n,d)
   Input: Cipher text arbitrary length, private key (d,n)
   Output: Message M=fd(C,n,d)

h. Verify Digital Signature: Boolean function b=fv(e,n,Ds)
   Input: Public key (e,n)
         Message Digital Signature Ds
iv. Inputs/Outputs

a. Inputs:

There are two input options that user can select when running the program; input by typing directly from the keyboard or reading entire messages from a text file.

b. Outputs:

All information during the process of encryption and decryption will not only be logged into a log file, but also can be seen on the screen if users would like to do so.

4. TESTING AND SIMULATION PLAN

Functional test for each function will be carried out during the implementation process. Available test vectors, sample input/output from reference sources will be utilized to test main functions to verify the accuracy of the application.

The system clock will be used to measure the timing for each part of the encryption and decryption process. That will help the user easily evaluate the performance of each function in the program, and also for the entire program.

5. LITERATURES

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[2] Laboratory instruction for ECE590


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