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#### Abstract

The aim of this Master Thesis is to learn and explain all the cryptographic instruments and how they are used in web page password.link. The idea is to follow the interaction of an user with password.link explaining all the cryptographic/informatics passages with the aim of evaluate its security. So we have also to study the computer side of Internet e.g. the TCP/IP protocol. Password.link enables secrets to be sent through insecure channels.

The thesis is divided into three chapters. Chapter 1 is related to cryptographic concepts. Chapter 2 explains how the internet connection is established. Chapter 3 explains how password.link uses the tools described in Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 to achieve the goal.


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## Chapter 1

## Cryptography

All the cryptographic functions that password.link uses are explained in this chapter. The main topics are the generation of random numbers, the encryption and decryption of data and mechanisms to ensure the authenticity.

The encryption and decryption of data can be done with symmetric algorithms or asymmetric algorithms.

Symmetric algorithms encryption and decryption of data can be realized by two parties with a secret key. The key must be preshared through a secure channel. Symmetric ciphers split into stream ciphers and block ciphers.

The encryption in a stream cipher is realized bit by bit and every bit of the message is XORed with a new and unpredictable bit produced by Random Number Generator.

In a block cipher the message is divided into blocks. Each block has the same length and it is encrypted and decrypted with the key. The last blocks are padded to guarantee that the lenght is the desired.

Asymmetric cipher encrypts and decrypts messages with two keys. One of them is the public key, this key enables to encrypt messages and can be known by anyone. The other key is the secret key which must be kept in secret and it is used to decrypt messages.

### 1.1 Random Number Generator (RNG)

The random numbers are very versatile in terms of cryptography so, a Random Number Generator (RNG) is essential. There are three different types of RNG. These are True Random Number Generators (TRNG), Pseudorandom Number Generators (PRNG) and Cryptographically Secure Pseudorandom Number Generators (CSPNG).

### 1.1.1 True Random Number Generators (TRNG)

TNRGs are based on physical processes and his main characteristic is that the output cannot be reproduced. To create a TRN an extra device is needed because a PC cannot create these numbers. Speaking in terms of a web page, the requirement of an extra device is enough to discard this method because the web pages must be used by anyone.

### 1.1.2 Pseudorandom Number Generators (PRNG)

PRNG create a sequence of numbers from an initial seed value.

$$
\begin{gathered}
s_{0}=\text { seed } \\
s_{i+1}=f(i), \quad i=0,1, \ldots
\end{gathered}
$$

One of the most common PRNG is the linear congruential generator computed as:

$$
\begin{gathered}
s_{0}=\text { seed } \\
s_{i+1}=\left(a \cdot s_{i}+b\right) \bmod m, \quad i=0,1, \ldots
\end{gathered}
$$

PRNGs can be broken easily if someone has enough values of $s$. Once the PRNG is broken all the past and futures values can be discovered. PRNGs are not cryptographically secure and cannot be used for these purposes because the PNRGs was born to perform simulations as Montecarlo. The initial purpose of the PRNGs was not to be cryptographically secure.

### 1.1.3 Cryptographically Secure Pseudorandom Number Generators (CSPNG)

A CSPRNG is PRNG which is unpredictable. It means that if someone has the values between $\mathrm{s}_{0}$ and $\mathrm{s}_{\mathrm{n}}$, the person cannot establish a relationship to discover the value of $\mathrm{s}_{\mathrm{n}+1}$.
The outputs of the CSPRNGs should be computationally indistinguishable (IND goal), the CSPRNG are tested to check it. For example, a CSPRNG must pass the statitical tests developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), see e.g. A Statistical Test Suite for Random and Pseudorandom Number Generators for Cryptographic Applications

## 1．2 RC4

Once that RNG are explained，it is the time to explain the algorithm RC4 and the particular form it is implemented in password．link．

## 1．2．1 RC 4 algorithm

To perform the RC4 algorithm a key is needed．The length of the key is not limited but note that a key longer than 256 characters will produce the same effect that the same key truncated from the characters 1 to 256 ．If a key is shorter than 256 characters，also will be accepted．The first step to perform is a conversion from characters to numbers．It is done with ASCII table．

| ASCII control characters |  |  | ASCII printable characters |  |  |  |  |  | Extended ASCII characters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 00 | NULL | （Null character） | 32 | space | 64 | ＠ | 96 |  | 128 | Ç | 160 | á | 192 | L | 224 | ó |
| 01 | SOH | （Start of Header） | 33 | ！ | 65 | A | 97 | a | 129 | ü | 161 | ， | 193 | $\perp$ | 225 | B |
| 02 | STX | （Start of Text） | 34 | ＂ | 66 | B | 98 | b | 130 | é | 162 | ó | 194 | T | 226 | Ô |
| 03 | ETX | （End of Text） | 35 | \＃ | 67 | C | 99 | c | 131 | â | 163 | ú | 195 | F | 227 | ò |
| 04 | EOT | （End of Trans．） | 36 | \＄ | 68 | D | 100 | d | 132 | ä | 164 | ñ | 196 | － | 228 | ö |
| 05 | ENQ | （Enquiry） | 37 | \％ | 69 | E | 101 | e | 133 | à | 165 | Ñ | 197 | $t$ | 229 | Ő |
| 06 | ACK | （Acknowledgement） | 38 | \＆ | 70 | F | 102 | $f$ | 134 | $\dot{\text { a }}$ | 166 | － | 198 | ã | 230 | $\mu$ |
| 07 | BEL | （Bell） | 39 | ， | 71 | G | 103 | g | 135 | Ç | 167 | － | 199 | Ã | 231 | p |
| 08 | BS | （Backspace） | 40 | （ | 72 | H | 104 | h | 136 | ể | 168 | ¿ | 200 | L | 232 | p |
| 09 | HT | （Horizontal Tab） | 41 | ） | 73 | I | 105 | ， | 137 | ë | 169 | （8） | 201 | ［ | 233 | U |
| 10 | LF | （Line feed） | 42 | ＊ | 74 | J | 106 | ， | 138 | è | 170 | 7 | 202 | $\underline{L}$ | 234 | Û |
| 11 | VT | （Vertical Tab） | 43 | ＋ | 75 | K | 107 | k | 139 | i | 171 | 1／2 | 203 | $\bar{T}$ | 235 | Ù |
| 12 | FF | （Form feed） | 44 |  | 76 | L | 108 | 1 | 140 | i | 172 | 1／4 | 204 | 5 | 236 | y |
| 13 | CR | （Carriage return） | 45 | － | 77 | M | 109 | m | 141 | I | 173 | i | 205 | $=$ | 237 | $\underline{\underline{Y}}$ |
| 14 | So | （Shift Out） | 46 |  | 78 | N | 110 | $n$ | 142 | Ä | 174 | ＂ | 206 | \＃ | 238 |  |
| 15 | SI | （Shift In） | 47 | 1 | 79 | 0 | 111 | 0 | 143 | A | 175 | ＂ | 207 | 口 | 239 | ． |
| 16 | DLE | （Data link escape） | 48 | 0 | 80 | P | 112 | p | 144 | É | 176 | ＂ | 208 | ${ }_{0}$ | 240 | 三 |
| 17 | DC1 | （Device control 1） | 49 | 1 | 81 | Q | 113 | q | 145 | æ | 177 | 츢 | 209 | Đ | 241 | $\pm$ |
| 18 | DC2 | （Device control 2） | 50 | 2 | 82 | R | 114 | r | 146 | A | 178 | 틏 | 210 | Ê | 242 |  |
| 19 | DC3 | （Device control 3） | 51 | 3 | 83 | S | 115 | s | 147 | ô | 179 |  | 211 | E | 243 | 5／4 |
| 20 | DC4 | （Device control 4） | 52 | 4 | 84 | T | 116 | t | 148 | ö | 180 | － | 212 | Ė | 244 | ๆ |
| 21 | NAK | （Negative acknowl．） | 53 | 5 | 85 | U | 117 | u | 149 | ò | 181 | A | 213 | ！ | 245 | § |
| 22 | SYN | （Synchronous idle） | 54 | 6 | 86 | V | 118 | v | 150 | û | 182 | A | 214 | i | 246 |  |
| 23 | ETB | （End of trans．block） | 55 | 7 | 87 | w | 119 | w | 151 | ù | 183 | À | 215 | 1 | 247 |  |
| 24 | CAN | （Cancel） | 56 | 8 | 88 | X | 120 | x | 152 | $\bar{y}$ | 184 | © | 216 | I | 248 | ？ |
| 25 | EM | （End of medium） | 57 | 9 | 89 | Y | 121 | y | 153 | 0 | 185 | 4 | 217 | 」 | 249 | － |
| 26 | SUB | （Substitute） | 58 | ： | 90 | Z | 122 | z | 154 | Ü | 186 | ， | 218 |  | 250 | － |
| 27 | ESC | （Escape） | 59 | ； | 91 | ［ | 123 | \｛ | 155 | ■ | 187 |  | 219 | － | 251 | － |
| 28 | FS | （File separator） | 60 | ＜ | 92 | 1 | 124 | I | 156 | £ | 188 | ］ | 220 | $\square$ | 252 | 3 |
| 29 | GS | （Group separator） | 61 | $=$ | 93 | ］ | 125 | \} | 157 | $\varnothing$ | 189 | $\not \subset$ | 221 | － | 253 | z |
| 30 | RS | （Record separator） | 62 | ＞ | 94 | $\wedge$ | 126 | ～ | 158 | $\times$ | 190 | $¥$ | 222 | i | 254 | － |
| 31 | US | （Unit separator） | 63 | ？ | 95 | ＿ |  |  | 159 | ＋ | 191 | 7 | 223 | － | 255 | nbsp |
| 127 | DEL | （Delete） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 1．1：ASCII characters
RC 4 creates an initial array with a length of 256 called S－box．The initial

S-box is:

$$
S=[0,1,2,3,4, \ldots, 255]
$$

Once it is defined, it is the time to combine the key with the S-box. To do it, each position of S-Box will have a new value which depends on the current value and the key.
$j=0$
for $i$ from 0 to 255 :
$j=11111111_{2} \&\left(j+\right.$ key $\left(i \bmod\right.$ length $\left.\left._{\text {key }}\right)+S(i)\right)$
swap values of $S(i)$ and $S(j)$
end for

The symbol \& indicates the bitwise AND operation. It is used when j has a value bigger than 256 .

To understand it better an example will be performed. Note that the example is realized with an S-Box which has a length of 4 instead of 256 . It also has influence where $j$ is calculated, the bitwise and operation now is:

$$
j=11_{2} \&\left(j+k e y\left(i \bmod l^{l e n g t h_{k e y}}\right)+S(i)\right)
$$

Suppose that the key is:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { key }=[1,2,3,0] \\
\text { length }_{\text {key }}=4 \\
S_{\text {initial }}=[0,1,2,3]
\end{gathered}
$$

Now, the operations inside the loop for are performed.

$$
j=0
$$

for $i=0$

$$
\begin{gathered}
j=11_{2} \&(0+1+0)=1 \\
S(0)=1 \\
S(1)=0 \\
S=[1,0,2,3]
\end{gathered}
$$

for $i=1$

$$
\begin{gathered}
j=11_{2} \&(1+2+0)=3 \\
S(1)=3 \\
S(3)=0 \\
S=[1,3,2,0]
\end{gathered}
$$

for $\mathrm{i}=2$

$$
\begin{gathered}
j=11_{2} \&(3+3+2)=11_{2} \& 8=11_{2} \& 1000_{2}=00_{2}=0 \\
S(2)=1 \\
S(0)=2 \\
S=[2,3,1,0]
\end{gathered}
$$

for $\mathrm{i}=3$

$$
\begin{gathered}
j=11_{2} \&(0+0+0)=0 \\
S(3)=2 \\
S(0)=0 \\
S=[0,3,1,2]
\end{gathered}
$$

### 1.2.2 RC4 RNG

The previous RC4 algorithm can be used as RNG. To do it possible, another loop is implemented. The number of times that each operation is executed is chosen by the user through the variable count. It means, that if the value of count is for instance equal to 5 , each operation inside the loop will be executed 5 times. Usually, this parameter is fixed. The another initial parameter is the S-box. The first time RC4 RNG is run, the S-Box initial value coincides with the S-box final value of the RC4 algorithm. Once RC4 RNG is compiled, it saves the final value of S -box and it will be used as the initial value if the function is called again. Note that if the initial S-box does not change and count is fixed, RC4 RNG will always return the same number.

```
\(i=0\)
\(j=0\)
\(r=0\)
while count \(>0\) :
    count \(=\) count -1
    \(i=11111111_{2} \&(i+1)\)
    \(j=11111111_{2} \&(j+S(i))=0\)
    swap values of \(S(i)\) and \(S(j)\)
\(r=256 \cdot r+S\left(11111111_{2} \cdot(S(i)+S(j))\right)\)
return \(r\)
```

An example will be shown in this section, the values of the initial parameters are count $=4$ and $S=[0,3,1,2]$. This is a simulation of the first time that RC4 RNG is called so, S has the same value that the final S in the section 1.2.1 RC 4 algorithm.
$i=0$
$j=0$
$r=0$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { count }=4 \\
& \text { count }=3 \\
& i=11_{2} \&(0+1)=1 \\
& j=11_{2} \&(0+3)=3 \\
& S(1)=2 \\
& S(3)=3 \\
& S=[0,2,1,3] \\
& r=4 * r+S\left(11_{2} \&(2+3)\right)=0+S\left(11_{2} \& 5\right)=S\left(11_{2} \& 101_{2}\right)=S\left(01_{2}\right)=S(1)=2 \\
& \text { count }=3 \\
& \text { count }=2 \\
& i=11_{2} \&(0+1)=2 \\
& j=11_{2} \&(3+1)=0 \\
& S(2)=0 \\
& S(0)=1 \\
& S=[1,2,0,3] \\
& r=4 * r+S\left(11_{2} \&(0+1)\right)=8+S\left(11_{2} \& 1\right)=10 \\
& \text { count }=2 \\
& \text { count }=1 \\
& i=11_{2} \&(0+1)=3 \\
& j=11_{2} \&(0+3)=3 \\
& S(3)=3 \\
& S(3)=3 \\
& S=[1,2,0,3] \\
& r=4 * r+S\left(11_{2} \&(3+3)\right)=40+S\left(11_{2} \& 6\right)=40 \\
& \text { count }=1 \\
& \text { count }=0 \\
& i=11_{2} \&(0+1)=0
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
j=11_{2} \&(3+1)=0 \\
S(0)=1 \\
S(3)=1 \\
S=[1,2,0,3] \\
r=4 * r+S\left(11_{2} \&(1+1)\right)=160+S\left(11_{2} \& 2\right)=160
\end{gathered}
$$

return $r=160$
If RC4 RNG is called again the initial value of S -box is $S=[1,2,0,3]$.

Multiple vulnerabilities have been discovered in RC4, converting it insecure.

### 1.3 Advanced Encryption System (AES)

The Advanced Encryption System (AES) is the most widely symmetric block cipher used. Notice that a block cipher encrypts and decrypts a message splitting it into different blocks where each block has the same length. If the last block is shorter, it will be padded. To encrypt a secret, a key is used. The AES encrypts and decrypts 128 bits blocks of 128 bits and it supports keys of $128,192,256$ bits. The ciphertext produced in the encryption also has a length of 128 bits.


Figure 1.2: AES input/output parameters
According to the length of the key, the AES will execute 10 rounds (128 bits), 12 rounds ( 192 bits) or 14 rounds ( 256 bits). The AES encrypts all 128 bits in one round. All the rounds are composed of three layers unless the first and the last layer.

- Byte Substitution layer (S-Box): It provides confusion over the data assuring that changes in individual bits will propagate quickly across the data path. A non-linearity transformation is performed with tables which have special mathematical properties.
- Diffusion layer: It introduces diffusion to all state bits through two sublayers, which perform linear operations:
- Shift rows layer
- Mix column layer
- Key Addition layer: A 128 -bit round key, or subkey, which has been derived from the main key in the key schedule, is XORed to the state.

The concepts of confusion and diffusion are two properties of the operation of a secure cipher identified by Claude Shannon.

- Confusion: hides the relationship between the ciphertext and the key, increasing the ambiguity of ciphertext.
- Diffusion: means that if a bit of the plaintext changes, the ciphertext will change the half of its bits and the same occurs in reverse.

The first round includes an additional Key Addition layer before the three layers and the last round does not have Mix Columns layer.

The plaintext has a length of 128 bits ( 16 bytes) and it is arranged in a four-by-four byte matrix. Something similar occurs to the key.

| Plaintext |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $A_{0}$ | $A_{4}$ | $A_{8}$ | $A_{12}$ |
| $A_{1}$ | $A_{5}$ | $A_{9}$ | $A_{13}$ |
| $A_{2}$ | $A_{6}$ | $A_{10}$ | $A_{14}$ |
| $A_{3}$ | $A_{7}$ | $A_{11}$ | $A_{15}$ |

Table 1.1: Plaintext bytes

| Key 16 bytes |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $k_{0}$ | $k_{4}$ | $k_{8}$ | $k_{12}$ |
| $k_{1}$ | $k_{5}$ | $k_{9}$ | $k_{13}$ |
| $k_{2}$ | $k_{6}$ | $k_{10}$ | $k_{14}$ |
| $k_{3}$ | $k_{7}$ | $k_{11}$ | $k_{15}$ |

Table 1.2: Key bytes (128 bits)

The internal structure of a round is shown in 1.4.


Figure 1.3: AES encryption block diagram

| Key 24 bytes |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $k_{0}$ | $k_{4}$ | $k_{8}$ | $k_{12}$ | $k_{16}$ | $k_{20}$ |
| $k_{1}$ | $k_{5}$ | $k_{9}$ | $k_{13}$ | $k_{17}$ | $k_{21}$ |
| $k_{2}$ | $k_{6}$ | $k_{10}$ | $k_{14}$ | $k_{18}$ | $k_{22}$ |
| $k_{3}$ | $k_{7}$ | $k_{11}$ | $k_{15}$ | $k_{19}$ | $k_{23}$ |

Table 1.3: Key bytes (192 bits)

| Key 32 bytes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $k_{0}$ | $k_{4}$ | $k_{8}$ | $k_{12}$ | $k_{16}$ | $k_{20}$ | $k_{24}$ | $k_{28}$ |
| $k_{1}$ | $k_{5}$ | $k_{9}$ | $k_{13}$ | $k_{17}$ | $k_{21}$ | $k_{25}$ | $k_{29}$ |
| $k_{2}$ | $k_{6}$ | $k_{10}$ | $k_{14}$ | $k_{18}$ | $k_{22}$ | $k_{26}$ | $k_{30}$ |
| $k_{3}$ | $k_{7}$ | $k_{11}$ | $k_{15}$ | $k_{19}$ | $k_{23}$ | $k_{27}$ | $k_{31}$ |

Table 1.4: Key bytes (256 bits)

### 1.3.1 Byte Substitution Layer

In the Byte Substitution layer, each byte $A_{i}$ is replaced by another byte $B_{i}$ as shown in 1.4.

$$
S\left(A_{i}\right)=B_{i}
$$

It is a non-linear operation which means:

$$
S(C)+S(D) \neq S(C+D)
$$

To perform the substitution, a conversion to hexadecimal is needed. One the byte is in hexadecimal, the first character chooses the row and the second the column.

To try to understand it better an example will be realized. Suppose $A_{\text {example }}$ is a matrix of 128 bits ( 16 bytes) where all the bytes are the character " M ". The substitution is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{\text {example }} & =\left(\begin{array}{llll}
M & M & M & M \\
M & M & M & M \\
M & M & M & M \\
M & M & M & M
\end{array}\right)_{\text {ASCII }} \\
M_{A S C I I} & =77_{10}=1001101_{2}=4 D_{\text {hex }}
\end{aligned}
$$



Figure 1.4: AES encryption round

$$
\begin{aligned}
S\left(4 D_{\text {hex }}\right) & =E 3_{\text {hex }}=11100011_{2} \\
S\left(A_{\text {example }}\right) & =\left(\begin{array}{llll}
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3
\end{array}\right)_{\text {hex }}
\end{aligned}
$$

The result of this layer is a matrix where each byte has been substituted.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | E |
| 0 | 63 |  | C | 77 | 7B | F2 | 6B | 6F | C5 | 30 | 01 | 67 | 2B | FE | D7 | A | B 76 |
|  | CA |  | 82 | C9 | 7D | FA | 59 | 47 | F0 | AD | D4 | A2 | AF | 9C | A4 |  | C0 |
|  | B7 |  | D | 93 | 26 | 36 | 3F | F7 | CC | 34 | A5 | E5 | F1 | 71 | D8 |  | 15 |
| 3 | 04 |  | C7 | 23 | C3 | 18 | 96 | 05 | 9A | 07 | 12 | 80 | E2 | EB | 27 | B2 | 75 |
|  | 09 |  | 83 | 2C | 1A | 1B | 6E | 5A | A0 | 52 | 3B | D6 | B3 | 29 | E3 | 2 F | F 84 |
|  | 53 |  | 1 | 00 | ED | 20 | FC | B1 | 5B | 6A | CB | BE | 39 | 4A | 4C | 58 | CF |
| 6 | D0 |  | EF | AA | FB | 43 | 4D | 33 | 85 | 45 | F9 | 02 | 7 F | 50 | 3C | 9 | A8 |
| 7 | 51 |  | A3 | 40 | 8F | 92 | 9D | 38 | F5 | BC | B6 | DA | 21 | 10 | FF | F3 | D2 |
| 8 | CD |  | C | 13 | EC | 5F | 97 | 44 | 17 | C4 | A7 | 7E | 3D | 64 | 5D |  | 73 |
| 9 | 60 |  | 81 | 4F | DC | 22 | 2A | 90 | 88 | 46 | EE | B8 | 14 | DE | 5E | 0 | DB |
| A | E0 |  | 32 | 3A | 0A | 49 | 06 | 24 | 5C | C 2 | D3 | AC | 62 | 91 | 95 | E | 79 |
| B | E7 |  | C8 | 37 | 6D | 8D | D5 | 4E | A9 | 6C | 56 | F4 | EA | 65 | 7A | A | 08 |
| C | BA |  | 78 | 25 | 2E | 1 C | A6 | B4 | C6 | E8 | DD | 74 | 1 F | 4B | BD | 8B | 8A |
|  | 70 |  | 3E | B5 | 66 | 48 | 03 | F6 | 0E | 61 | 35 | 57 | B9 | 86 | C1 | 1 | 9E |
| L | E1 |  | F8 | 98 | 11 | 69 | D9 | 8E | 94 | 9B | 1 E | 87 | E9 | CE | 55 | 28 | DF |
| F | 8 C |  | A1 | 89 | 0D | BF | E6 | 42 | 68 | 41 | 99 | 2D | 0F | B0 | 54 | BB | B |

Figure 1.5: AES substitution table S-Box

### 1.3.2 Diffusion Layer

As it is explained before, the Diffusion layer performs two linear operations:

$$
D I F F(C)+D I F F(D)=D I F F(C+D)
$$

## Shift Rows

The Shift Rows shifts the second row three bytes to the right, the third row is shifted two bytes to the right and the fourth row is shifted one byte to the right.

In the previous example obviously, the shift rows do not change anything because all the bytes are the same.

| Key 16 bytes |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $B_{0}$ | $B_{4}$ | $B_{8}$ | $B_{12}$ |
| $B_{1}$ | $B_{5}$ | $B_{9}$ | $B_{13}$ |
| $B_{2}$ | $B_{6}$ | $B_{10}$ | $B_{14}$ |
| $B_{3}$ | $B_{7}$ | $B_{11}$ | $B_{15}$ |

Table 1.5: Result of substitution

| Key 16 bytes |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $B_{0}$ | $B_{4}$ | $B_{8}$ | $B_{12}$ |
| $B_{5}$ | $B_{9}$ | $B_{13}$ | $B_{1}$ |
| $B_{10}$ | $B_{14}$ | $B_{2}$ | $B_{6}$ |
| $B_{15}$ | $B_{3}$ | $B_{7}$ | $B_{11}$ |

Table 1.6: Result of shift rows

## Mix Columns

Mix Columns mixes each column of the state matrix. Multiplication and addition of the coefficients is done in the Galois Field $\left(2^{8}\right)$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(\begin{array}{l}
C_{0} \\
C_{1} \\
C_{2} \\
C_{3}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
02 & 03 & 01 & 01 \\
01 & 02 & 03 & 01 \\
01 & 01 & 02 & 03 \\
03 & 01 & 01 & 02
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{c}
B_{0} \\
B_{5} \\
B_{10} \\
B_{15}
\end{array}\right) \\
& \left(\begin{array}{l}
C_{4} \\
C_{5} \\
C_{6} \\
C_{7}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
02 & 03 & 01 & 01 \\
01 & 02 & 03 & 01 \\
01 & 01 & 02 & 03 \\
03 & 01 & 01 & 02
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{c}
B_{4} \\
B_{9} \\
B_{14} \\
B_{3}
\end{array}\right) \\
& \left(\begin{array}{l}
C_{8} \\
C_{9} \\
C_{10} \\
C_{11}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
02 & 03 & 01 & 01 \\
01 & 02 & 03 & 01 \\
01 & 01 & 02 & 03 \\
03 & 01 & 01 & 02
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{c}
B_{8} \\
B_{13} \\
B_{2} \\
B_{7}
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\left(\begin{array}{l}
C_{12} \\
C_{13} \\
C_{14} \\
C_{15}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
02 & 03 & 01 & 01 \\
01 & 02 & 03 & 01 \\
01 & 01 & 02 & 03 \\
03 & 01 & 01 & 02
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{c}
B_{12} \\
B_{1} \\
B_{6} \\
B_{11}
\end{array}\right)
$$

The numbers 01, 02 and 03 represent polynomials in the $\mathrm{GF}\left(2^{8}\right)$. The modular reduction polynomial is $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{x})$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
01=00000001_{2}=(1)_{G F} \\
02=00000010_{2}=(x)_{G F} \\
03=00000011_{2}=(x+1)_{G F} \\
P(x)=x^{8}+x^{4}+x^{3}+x+1
\end{gathered}
$$

Continuing with the example:

$$
\begin{gathered}
E 3_{\text {hex }}=11100011_{2}=\left(x^{7}+x^{6}+x^{5}+x+1\right)_{G F} \\
01 \cdot E 3=\left(x^{7}+x^{6}+x^{5}+x+1\right)_{G F}=11100011_{2} \\
02 \cdot E 3=\left(x^{8}+x^{7}+x^{6}+x^{2}+x\right)_{G F}=\left(x^{7}+x^{6}+x^{4}+x^{3}+x^{2}+1\right)_{G F}=11011101_{2} \\
03 \cdot E 3=\left(x^{8}+x^{5}+x^{2}+1\right)_{G F}=\left(x^{5}+x^{4}+x^{3}+x\right)_{G F}=00111110_{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

Note that the results of $02 \cdot E 3$ and $03 \cdot E 3$ has a degree bigger than 8 and a modular reduction with the polynomial must be realized.
$01 \cdot E 3+01 \cdot E 3+02 \cdot E 3+03 \cdot E 3=11100011_{2}+11100011_{2}+11011101_{2}+00111110_{2}$

$$
\begin{gathered}
01 \cdot E 3+01 \cdot E 3+02 \cdot E 3+03 \cdot E 3=11100011_{2}=E 3_{h e x} \\
C=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3
\end{array}\right)_{\text {hex }}
\end{gathered}
$$

### 1.3.3 Key Addition Layer

In the key addition layer, the state matrix (16 bytes) is XORed with a subkey which has also 16 bytes. The subkeys are obtained from the original key. The original key can be 128 bits, 192 bits or 256 bits. The question is how to obtain the subkeys from the original key. Only 256 bits and 128 bits will be considered this paper.

## AES-256

It is important to notice that AES-256 does 14 rounds. In each round, a subkey is needed and in the first round, an extra subkey is needed. The total number of subkeys is 15 . The original key has 32 bytes.

$$
K e y=\left[K_{0}, K_{1}, K_{2}, \ldots, K_{31}\right]
$$

The subkeys are stored in words, each word has 32 bits. The subkeys have a length of 128 bits. It indicates that each is subkey is composed of four words and 60 words are required.
$k_{i}=[W[4 *(i-1)], W[4 *(i-1)+1], W[4 *(i-1)+2], W[4 *(i-1)+3] \quad i=1, \ldots, 15$

The words are formed as follows:

$$
\begin{gathered}
W[i]=\left[K_{4 i}, K_{4 i+1}, K_{4 i+2}, K_{4 i+3}\right] \quad i=0,1,2, \ldots, 7 \\
W[8 i]=[W[8(i-1)]+g(W[8 i-1])] \quad i=1,2, \ldots 7 \\
W[8 i+4]=[W[8(i-1)+4]+h(W[8 i+3])] \quad i=1,2, \ldots 6 \\
W[i]=W[i-8]+W[i-1] \quad i>8 \& i \bmod 4 \neq 0
\end{gathered}
$$

The function $g()$ is non-linear and has as input 1 word (4 bytes). Each byte is shifted three positions to the right, then the S-box is applied to each byte and finally, the most left byte is XORed with $R C[i]$. The values of $R C[i]$ are:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R C[1]=x^{0}=00000001_{2} \\
& R C[2]=x^{1}=00000010_{2} \\
& R C[3]=x^{2}=00000100_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$



Figure 1.6: AES subkeys 256 bits

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R C[4]=x^{3}=00001000_{2} \\
& R C[5]=x^{4}=00010000_{2} \\
& R C[6]=x^{5}=00100000_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
R C[7]=x^{6}=01000000_{2}
$$

The function $h()$ is non-linear, which has as input 1 word ( 4 bytes). Each byte is introduced to the S-box.

## AES-128

In the case of AES-128, 10 rounds are performed and in each round a subkey is needed but the first round needs an extra subkey so, the total number of subkeys is 11 . The original key has 128 bits, it means 16 bytes and only 44 words are required. The process is similar to the AES-256.

$$
\begin{gathered}
K e y=\left[K_{0}, K_{1}, K_{2}, \ldots, K_{15}\right] \\
k_{i}=[W[4 *(i-1)], W[4 *(i-1)+1], W[4 *(i-1)+2], W[4 *(i-1)+3] \quad i=1, \ldots, 11 \\
W[i]=\left[K_{4 i}, K_{4 i+1}, K_{4 i+2}, K_{4 i+3}\right] \quad i=0,1,2,3 \\
W[4 i]=[W[4(i-1)]+g(W[4 i-1])] \quad i=1,2, \ldots 7 \\
W[i]=W[i-4]+W[i-1] \quad i>3 \& i \bmod 4 \neq 0
\end{gathered}
$$

### 1.3.4 Decryption

To decrypt a message all the operations must be inverted.

The inversion of Key Addition layer is performed XORing the ciphertext with the subkeys. The only difference that exists is that the order of the subkeys is the inverse. The order to XOR the subkeys is:

$$
k_{15}, k_{14}, k_{13}, \ldots, k_{1}, k_{0}
$$



Figure 1.7: AES subkeys 128 bits

To invert the Mix Columns the process is the same, an operation with matrix in the Galois Field $\left(2^{8}\right)$ but the matrix changes.

$$
\left(\begin{array}{l}
B_{0} \\
B_{1} \\
B_{2} \\
B_{3}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
0 E & 0 B & 0 D & 09 \\
09 & 0 E & 0 B & 0 D \\
0 D & 09 & 0 E & 0 B \\
0 B & 0 B & 09 & 0 E
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{l}
C_{0} \\
C_{1} \\
C_{2} \\
C_{3}
\end{array}\right)
$$



Figure 1.8: AES decryption block diagram

$$
\left(\begin{array}{l}
B_{4} \\
B_{5} \\
B_{6} \\
B_{7}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
0 E & 0 B & 0 D & 09 \\
09 & 0 E & 0 B & 0 D \\
0 D & 09_{35} & 0 E & 0 B \\
0 B & 0 B & 09 & 0 E
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{l}
C_{4} \\
C_{5} \\
C_{6} \\
C_{7}
\end{array}\right)
$$



Figure 1.9: AES decryption round

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(\begin{array}{c}
B_{8} \\
B_{9} \\
B_{10} \\
B_{11}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
0 E & 0 B & 0 D & 09 \\
09 & 0 E & 0 B & 0 D \\
0 D & 09 & 0 E & 0 B \\
0 B & 0 B & 09 & 0 E
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{c}
C_{8} \\
C_{9} \\
C_{10} \\
C_{11}
\end{array}\right) \\
& \left(\begin{array}{l}
B_{12} \\
B_{13} \\
B_{14} \\
B_{15}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
0 E & 0 B & 0 D & 09 \\
09 & 0 E & 0 B & 0 D \\
0 D & 09 & 0 E & 0 B \\
0 B & 0 B & 09 & 0 E
\end{array}\right) \cdot\left(\begin{array}{l}
C_{12} \\
C_{13} \\
C_{14} \\
C_{15}
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
09_{\text {hex }}=00001001_{2}=\left(x^{3}+1\right)_{G F} \\
0 B_{\text {hex }}=00001011_{2}=\left(x^{3}+x+1\right)_{G F} \\
0 D_{\text {hex }}=00001101_{2}=\left(x^{3}+x^{2}+1\right)_{G F} \\
0 E_{\text {hex }}=00001110_{2}=\left(x^{3}+x^{2}+x\right)_{G F}
\end{gathered}
$$

Using it to the inverse the example. It follows as:

$$
C=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3
\end{array}\right)_{h e x}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
09 \cdot E 3=\left(x^{7}+x^{5}+x^{4}+x^{3}+x+1\right)_{G F}=10111010_{2} \\
0 B \cdot E 3=\left(x^{3}+x+1\right)_{G F}=01100111_{2} \\
0 D \cdot E 3=\left(x^{4}+x^{3}+x+1\right)_{G F}=00011011_{2} \\
0 E \cdot E 3=\left(x^{5}+x^{2}+1\right)_{G F}=00100101_{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

$09 \cdot C 5+0 B \cdot C 5+0 D \cdot C 5+0 E \cdot C 5=10111010_{2}+01100111_{2}+00011011_{2}+00100101_{2}$

$$
09 \cdot C 5+0 B \cdot C 5+0 D \cdot C 5+0 E \cdot C 5=11100011_{2}=E 3_{\text {hex }}
$$

$$
B=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3 \\
E 3 & E 3 & E 3 & E 3
\end{array}\right)_{h e x}
$$

The operation to invert Shift Rows is similar to the original operation. The second row of the state matrix is shifted one byte to the right, the third two bytes to the right and the fourth three bytes to the right.

Finally, to invert the substitution is necessary to realize other substitution. The table to do it is shown in Figure 1.10.

In the example:

$$
S_{i n v}\left(E 3_{h e x}\right)=D 4_{h e x}=01001101_{2}=77_{10}=M_{A S C I I}
$$

|  | $y$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
| 0 | 52 | 09 | 6A | D5 | 30 | 36 | A5 | 38 | BF | 40 | A3 | 9E | 81 | F3 | D7 | FB |
| 1 | 7 C | E3 | 39 | 82 | 9B | 2 F | FF | 87 | 34 | 8E | 43 | 44 | C4 | DE | E9 | CB |
| 2 | 54 | 7B | 94 | 32 | A6 | C2 | 23 | 3D | EE | 4C | 95 | 0B | 42 | FA | C3 | 4E |
| 3 | 08 | 2 E | A1 | 66 | 28 | D9 | 24 | B2 | 76 | 5B | A2 | 49 | 6D | 8B | D1 | 25 |
| 4 | 72 | F8 | F6 | 64 | 86 | 68 | 98 | 16 | D4 | A4 | 5C | CC | 5D | 65 | B6 | 92 |
| 5 | 6C | 70 | 48 | 50 | FD | ED | B9 | DA | 5E | 15 | 46 | 57 | A7 | 8D | 9D | 84 |
| 6 | 90 | D8 | AB | 00 | 8C | BC | D3 | 0A | F7 | E4 | 58 | 05 | B8 | B3 | 45 | 06 |
| 7 | D0 | 2 C | 1 E | 8F | CA | 3F | 0F | 02 | C1 | AF | BD | 03 | 01 | 13 | 8A | 6B |
| $x 8$ | 3A | 91 | 11 | 41 | 4F | 67 | DC | EA | 97 | F2 | CF | CE | F0 | B4 | E6 |  |
| 9 | 96 | AC | 74 | 22 | E7 | AD | 35 | 85 | E2 | F9 | 37 | E8 | 1C | 75 | DF | 6 E |
| A | 47 | F1 | 1A | 71 | 1D | 29 | C5 | 89 | 6F | B7 | 62 | 0E | AA | 18 | BE | 1B |
| B | FC | 56 | 3E | 4B | C6 | D2 | 79 | 20 | 9A | DB | C0 | FE | 78 | CD | 5A | F4 |
| C | 1F | DD | A8 | 33 | 88 | 07 | C7 | 31 | B1 | 12 | 10 | 59 | 27 | 80 | EC | 5F |
| D | 60 | 51 | 7 F | A9 | 19 | B5 | 4A | 0D | 2D | E5 | 7A | 9F | 93 | C9 | 9C | EF |
| E | A0 | E0 | 3B | 4D | AE | 2A | F5 | B0 | C8 | EB | BB | 3C | 83 | 53 |  | 61 |
| F | 17 | 2 B | 04 | 7E | BA | 77 | D6 | 26 | E1 | 69 | 14 | 63 | 55 | 21 |  | 7D |

Figure 1.10: AES inverse substitution table S-Box

### 1.4 Galois Counter Mode (GCM)

In the previous section is explained how to encrypt a 128 bits plaintext. In practice, the plaintexts are longer than 8 bytes. The way to encrypt and decrypt long plaintexts is through the operations mode. One of them is Galois Counter Mode (GCM). GCM not only enables to encrypt and decrypt long plaintexts but also it guarantees authentication and integrity. It means that the message was created by the correct person and that nobody tampered with the ciphertext during transmission.

The input parameters are plaintext, additional authenticated data (ADD) and initialization vector (IV).

The plaintext is divided in 128 bits plaintexts length as follows:

$$
\text { Plaintext }=\left[x_{1}\left\|x_{2}\right\| \ldots \| x_{n}\right]
$$

where || denotes concatenation.
ADD might include addresses, ports, sequence numbers, protocol version numbers, and other fields that indicate how the plaintext should be treated.

IV is a nonce, i.e, a value that is unique within the specified context. It is used for deriving a counter value $\left(C T R_{0}\right)$.

$$
C T R_{i}=C T R_{i-1}+1
$$

GCM obtains the ciphertext encrypting $C T R_{i}$ and then XORing it with the plaintext $x_{i}$.

$$
y_{i}=e_{k}\left(C T R_{i}\right) \oplus x_{i}
$$

The value H is generated by encryption of the all-zeros input with the block cipher.

$$
H=e_{k}(0)
$$

The values of $g_{i}$ are obtained as:

$$
g_{0}=A D D \otimes H
$$



Figure 1.11: GCM algorithm

$$
g_{i}=\left(g_{i-1} \oplus y_{i}\right) \otimes H \quad i=1,2, \ldots, n
$$

The operation $\otimes$ is a multiplication in the GF $\left(2^{128}\right)$ with the irreducible polynomial $P(x)=x^{128}+x^{7}+x^{2}+x+1$.

The authentication ( T ) is computed as:

$$
T=\left(g_{n} \otimes H\right) \oplus e_{k}\left(C T R_{0}\right)
$$

The person who receives the message must have the key and IV to decrypt the message. The message sent contains $\left[\left(y_{1}, y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}\right), T, A D D\right]$. This person realizes the same operations that the sender and finally has $T^{\prime}$. If $T=T^{\prime}$, it assures who is the sender and that the message has not been manipulated.

### 1.5 Introduction to Public-Key Cryptography

Public-Key Cryptography (PKC) or asymmetric cryptography was introduced in 1976 whereas symmetric cryptography is used for at least 4000 years. Symmetric cryptography has some issues. These are key distribution problem, number of keys, no protection against cheating and other malicious actions.

Key distribution problem is referred to as the key shared between two persons before a secure channel is used.

The number of keys required to establish a communication with $n$ users is:

$$
\frac{n \dot{(n-1)}}{2}
$$

because each person needs a different key to communicate with each person. If a sender uses the same key for everybody, any receiver could encrypt and decrypt the messages between the sender and the other receivers.
No protection against cheating means that having communication between a user A and a user B and having a message it is not possible to know who has sent it.

In asymmetric cryptography, the key used for encrypting messages can be public without problems. But the ciphertext is decrypted with a secret key. It means that in PKC there are two keys: $k_{\text {public }}$ and $k_{\text {private }}$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { A } \\
& \text { B } \\
& \left(k_{p u}, k_{p r}\right)=k . \\
& y=e_{k_{p u}}(x) . \\
& x=d_{k_{p r}}(y) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Two basic characteristics are: the algorithm used for encryption must be computationally infeasible to invert and the message only can be decrypted with the secret key. PKC is much slower than symmetric cryptography so, once the channel is established through PKC, AES can be used to communicate.

The main security mechanics that PKC enables are:

- Key establishment through an insecure channel.
- Non-repudiation and message integrity.
- Identification
- Encryption

The algorithms utilized are based on modular arithmetic and especially on:

- Integer-Factorization Schemes: The difficulty to factor large integers (RSA).
- Discrete Logarithm Schemes: The discrete logarithm problem in finite fields (DH, DSA, Elgamal).
- Elliptic Curves Schemes: A generalization of the discrete logarithm problem (ECDH, ECDSA).

Speaking in terms of security and key lengths, asymmetric cryptography requires longer keys than symmetric cryptography.

| Algorithm family | Cryptosystems | Security level (bits) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Symmetric key | AES, 3DES | 80 bits | 128 bits | 192 bits | 256 bits |
| Integer Factorization | RSA | 1024 bits | 3072 bits | 7680 bits | 15360 bits |
| Discrete Logarithm | DH, DSA, Elgamal | 1024 bits | 3072 bits | 7680 bits | 15360 bits |
| Elliptic Curves | ECDH, ECDSA | 160 bits | 256 bits | 384 bits | 512 bits |

Table 1.7: Bit lengths of public-key algorithms for different security levels

### 1.6 RSA

RSA algorithm belongs to asymmetric cryptography. RSA is based on the integer factorization problem. The problem is that multiplying two primes is computationally easy whereas factoring the product is very hard.

### 1.6.1 Encryption and decryption

In asymmetric cryptography, there is a public key and a private key. In RSA the public key is $k_{p u}=(n, e)$ and the private key is $k_{p r}=d$. RSA encrypts plaintexts $x$ with a lower binary value than $n$. The numbers $p$ and $q$ are two primes number. As $n$ should have a length equal or bigger than 1024 bits, $p$ and $q$ should have 512 bits or more.

$$
n=p \cdot q
$$

The value of $e$ must satisfy the condition:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\Phi(n)=(p-1) \cdot(q-1) \\
\operatorname{gcd}(\Phi(n), e)=1
\end{gathered}
$$

it means that the inverse of $e$ exists and it is the private key.

$$
d=e^{-1} \bmod \Phi(n)
$$

RSA encrypts and decrypts as follow:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y=e_{k_{p u}}(x)=x^{e} \bmod n \\
& x=d_{k_{p r}}(y)=y^{d} \bmod n
\end{aligned}
$$

RSA must meet the following characteristics:

- For a given public key $k_{p u}=(n, e)$ must be computationally infeasible to determine the private key $k_{p r}=d$.
- Plaintexts with more bit than the length of $n$ cannot be encrypted.
- To calculate exponentiation with large numbers should be easy.
- There should be many private key/public key pairs for a value of $n$.

For instance:
A

## B

Plaintext $x=2$.
Choose two primes $p=5 q=11$.

$$
n=5 \cdot 11=55 .
$$

$$
\Phi(n)=(5-1) \cdot(11-1)=40 .
$$

Choose $e=7$.
Verify $\operatorname{gcd}(\Phi(n), e)=\operatorname{gcd}(40,7)=1$.

$$
d=e^{-1} \bmod \Phi(n)=7^{-1} \bmod 40=23
$$

$$
k_{p u}=(n, e)=(55,7)
$$

$y=x^{e} \bmod n=2^{7} \bmod 55=18$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y=18 \\
& x=y^{d} \bmod n=18^{23} \bmod 55=2 .
\end{aligned}
$$

| Public key e | e as a binary string |
| :---: | :---: |
| 3 | $11_{2}$ |
| 17 | $10001_{2}$ |
| $2^{16}+1$ | $1000000000000001_{2}$ |

Table 1.8: RSA exponentiation with short public exponents
Even the values of $p$ and $q$ should have 512 bits at least, the value of $e$ can be a small value. The most common values for $e$ are $e=3, e=17$ and $e=2^{16}+1$. These values enable fast exponentiation.

### 1.6.2 RSA in practice

The RSA described so far has some drawbacks.

- RSA encryption for a key is deterministic. It means that given a plaintext, the ciphertext always will be the same.
- Plaintexts $x=0, x=1$ and $x=-1$ has as ciphertext 1,0 or -1 .
- Without padding small plaintexts and small public key exponent might be attacked but, there is not any attack discovered against $e=3$.
- An attacker can manipulate the ciphertext by replacing it with a past ciphertext.

To solve these problems RSA padding is the solution. Being $M$ the message, $k$ the length of the modulus $n$ in bytes, $|H|$ the length of the hash function output in bytes and $|M|$ the length of the message in bytes. Padding consist of:


Figure 1.12: RSA encryption of a message M with padding

1. Generate a string PS of zeroed bytes which length is $k-|M|-2|H|-2$.
2. Concatenate $\operatorname{Hash}(L), P S$, a single byte with hexadecimal value $0 x 01$, and $M$ to form a data block DB of length $k-|H|-1$ byte as:

$$
D B=\operatorname{Hash}(L)\|P S\| 0 x 01 \| M
$$

3. Generate a random byte string seed of length $|\mathrm{H}|$.
4. Let dbMask $=M G F($ seed, $k-|H|-1)$, where $M G F$ is the mask generation function.
5. Let masked $D B=D B \oplus d b$ Mask.
6. Let seedMask $=M G F($ masked $D B,|H|)$.
7. Let maskedSeed $=$ seed $\oplus$ seedMask.
8. Concatenate a single byte with hexadecimal value $0 x 00$, maskedSeed and masked $D B$ to form an encoded message $E M$ of length $k$ bytes as:
$E M=0 x 00 \|$ maskedSeed $\|$ masked $D B$

### 1.7 Discrete Logarithm Problem (DLP) and Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange (DHKE)

Discrete Logarithm Problem (DLP) is based on the fact that computing discrete logarithms with modulo prime is a very hard problem if the parameters are sufficiently large. DLP belongs to asymmetric cryptography.

### 1.7.1 Discrete Logarithm Problem (DLP)

The problem is started with a finite cyclic group $\mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*}$ of order $p-1$ where $p$ is prime and a primitive element $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*}$ and another element $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*}$. The DLP is the problem of determining the integer $1 \leq x \leq p-1$ such that:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\alpha^{x}=\beta \bmod p \\
x=\log _{\alpha} \beta \bmod p
\end{gathered}
$$

For example, considering the cyclic group $\mathbb{Z}_{59}^{*}$, a primitive element $\alpha=2$ and $\beta=30$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
2^{x}=7 \bmod 59 \\
x=\log _{2} 7 \bmod 59
\end{gathered}
$$

For small numbers, the value of $x$ can be determined by using a brute force attack.

$$
2^{18}=262144=7 \bmod 59
$$

Using numbers with a length equal or bigger than 1024 bits, the DLP is a one-way function. It means, for a given $p, \alpha$ and $\beta$ must be computationally infeasible to determine the value of $x$.

### 1.7.2 Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange (DHKE)

The Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange (DHKE) is an application of the DLP which enables two parties to derive a common secret key by communicating over an insecure channel.
A
B
Choose a large prime $p$.
Choose an integer $\alpha \in\{2,3, \ldots, p-2\}$.

$$
\longleftarrow(p, \alpha)
$$

Choose $a=k_{p r, A} \in\{2,3, \ldots, p-2\}$.
Compute $A=k_{p u}=\alpha^{a} \bmod p$.
Choose $b=k_{p r, B} \in\{2,3, \ldots, p-2\}$.
Compute $B=k_{p u}=\alpha^{b} \bmod p$.

$$
k_{p u}=A
$$

$$
k_{p u}=B
$$

$k_{A B}=k_{p u, B}^{k_{p r, A}}=B^{a} \bmod p$.

$$
k_{A B}=k_{p u, A}^{k_{p r, B}}=A^{b} \bmod p
$$

Both parties share the same key $k_{A B}$ because:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& B^{a}=\left(\alpha^{b}\right)^{a}=\alpha^{a b} \bmod p \\
& A^{b}=\left(\alpha^{a}\right)^{b}=\alpha^{a b} \bmod p
\end{aligned}
$$

Before of using $k_{A B}$ as a symmetric key, it must be verified that $p$ is prime and has a minimum length of 1024 bits, $\alpha$ is a primitive element of the group $\mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*}$ and the private keys $a$ and $b$ are generated with a random generator.

For instance, $p=59$ and $\alpha=2$
A
B

Choose $a=k_{p r, A}=3$.
Compute $A=k_{p u}=2^{3} \bmod 59=$ $=8 \bmod 59$.

Choose $b=k_{p r, B}=4$.
Compute $B=k_{p u}=2^{4} \bmod 59=$ $=16 \bmod 59$.

$$
k_{p u}=A=8
$$

$$
k_{p u}=B=16
$$

$k_{A B}=k_{p u, B}^{k_{p r, A}}=16^{3} \bmod 59=25 \bmod 59$.

$$
k_{A B}=k_{p u, A}^{k_{p r, B}}=8^{4} \bmod 59=25 \bmod 59 .
$$

### 1.8 Elliptic Curve Cryptosystems (ECC)

Elliptic Curve Cryptosystems (ECC) are Public Key Cryptographic algorithms (PKC) and are based on the Discrete Logarithm Problem (DLP). ECC has the same level of security that RSA and DLP with shorter operands. As RSA and DLP, ECC are one-way systems.

### 1.8.1 Theory of Elliptic Curves

Given a polynomial equation, an elliptic curve is formed by all the points $(x, y)$ that fulfil the equation. For cryptographic use, the curve is considered over a finite field. The natural choice is prime fields $G F(p)$, where all arithmetic is performed modulo a prime $p$.

The elliptic curve over $\mathbb{Z}_{p}, \mathrm{p}>3$ is the set of pairs $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}$ which fulfil:

$$
y^{2}=x^{3}+a \cdot x+b \bmod p
$$

together with an imaginary point of infinity $\vartheta$, where:

$$
a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}
$$

and the condition $4 \cdot a^{3}+27 \cdot b^{2} \neq 0$.
The last condition states that the curve is non-singular. It means that the plot has no self-intersections or vertices. The elliptic curve is symmetric with respect to the $x$-axis.

The operation "addition" which is defined with the symbol " + " means that given two points $P$ and $Q$, another point $R$ which belongs to the elliptic curve is computed.

$$
\begin{gathered}
P+Q=R \\
\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)+\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right)=\left(x_{3}, y_{3}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

The addition operation varies if the two points to add are equal or not.


Figure 1.13: $y^{2}=x^{3}-3 x+3$ over $\mathbb{R}$

- $\mathbf{P}+\mathbf{Q}$ : The addition is computed drawing a line through $P$ and $Q$. This line intersects the curve in a third point. The result of the addition is the symmetric point with respect to the $x$-axis of the third intersection.
- $\mathbf{P}+\mathbf{P}$ : To obtain the result, a tangent line through P must be drawn. The symmetric point with respect to the $x$-axis of the intersection through the tangent line and the curve is the result.


Figure 1.14: $P+Q$


Figure 1.15: $P+P$

The operation addition described above can be seen from a mathematical point of view as:

$$
\begin{gathered}
x_{3}=s^{2}-x_{1}-x_{2} \bmod p \\
y_{3}=s\left(x_{1}-x_{3}\right)-y_{1} \bmod p
\end{gathered}
$$

where:

$$
s= \begin{cases}\frac{y_{2}-y_{1}}{x_{2}-x_{1}} \bmod p ; & \text { if } P \neq Q \\ \frac{3 x_{1}^{1}+a}{2 y_{1}} \bmod p ; & \text { if } P=Q\end{cases}
$$

Also, a neutral element $\vartheta$ is established:

$$
\begin{gathered}
P+\vartheta=P \\
P+(-P)=\vartheta \\
-P=\left(-x_{p},-y_{p}\right)=\left(-x_{p}, p-y_{p}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

For example, given the elliptic curve $y^{2}=x^{3}+3 x+2 \bmod 7$ and the point $P=(0,3)$, derive the points $2 P$ and $3 P$.

First, a verification that P belongs to the elliptic curve is done.

$$
9=0+0+2 \bmod 7=2 \bmod 7
$$



Figure 1.16: $P$ and $-P$

Then, $2 P$ can be calculated as $P+P$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
2 P=P+P=(0,3)+(0,3) \\
s_{2 P}=\frac{3 x_{1}^{2}+a}{2 y_{1}} \bmod p=\frac{3 \cdot 0^{2}+3}{2 \cdot 3}=3 \cdot(6)^{-1} \bmod 7=3 \cdot 6 \bmod 7=4 \bmod 7 \\
x_{2 P}=4^{2}-0-0 \bmod 7=2 \bmod 7 \\
y_{2 P}=4(0-2)-3 \bmod 7=-11 \bmod 7=3 \bmod 7 \\
2 P=(2,3)
\end{gathered}
$$

and $3 P$ is calculated as $2 P+P$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
s_{3 P}=\frac{y_{2}-y_{1}}{x_{2}-x_{1}}=\frac{3-3}{2-0}=0 \cdot(2)^{-1} \bmod 7=0 \bmod 7 \\
x_{3 P}=0^{2}-0-2 \bmod 7=-2 \bmod 7=5 \bmod 7 \\
y_{3 P}=0(0-5)-3 \bmod 7=-3 \bmod 7=4 \bmod 7 \\
3 P=(5,4)
\end{gathered}
$$

### 1.8.2 The Discrete Logarithm Problem with Elliptic Curves

The points on an elliptic curve together with $\vartheta$ have cyclic subgroups. Under certain conditions, all points on an elliptic curve form a cyclic group.

Continuing with the previous example, where the elliptic curve is $y^{2}=x^{3}+$ $3 x+2 \bmod 7$ and the point is $P=(0,3)$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
P=(0,3) \\
2 P=(2,3) \\
3 P=(5,4) \\
4 P=(4,6) \\
5 P=(4,1) \\
6 P=(5,3) \\
7 P=(2,4) \\
8 P=(0,4) \\
9 P=\vartheta \\
10 P=(0,3)=P
\end{gathered}
$$

These points are part of a cyclic group. The order of this cyclic group is $\# E=9$ because the point $10 P$ is equal than $P$. The order is represented with $\# E$.

The Discrete Logarithm Problem with Elliptic Curves can be described as given an elliptic curve E and considering a primitive element $P$ and another element T. The Discrete Logarithm Problem is finding the integer $d$, where $1 \leq d \leq \# E$, such that:

$$
d P=T
$$

### 1.8.3 Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange (DHKE) with Elliptic Curves

Also, the DHKE can be used with Elliptic Curves and the process is quite similar.
A
B
Choose a prime $p$.
Choose an elliptic curve $E$.
$E: y^{2}=x^{3}+a \cdot x+b$.
Choose a primitive element $P=\left(x_{p}, y_{p}\right)$.

$$
(p, E, P)
$$

Choose $a_{k}=k_{p r, A} \in\{2,3, \ldots, \# E-1\}$.
Compute $A=k_{p u}=a_{k} P=A=\left(x_{A}, y_{A}\right)$.
Choose $b_{k}=k_{p r, B} \in\{2,3, \ldots, \# E-$
$1\}$.
Compute $B=k_{p u}=b_{k} P=\left(x_{B}, y_{B}\right)$.
$\xrightarrow{k_{p u}=A}$
$\longleftarrow k_{p u}=B$
$T_{A B}=k_{p r, A} \cdot k_{p u b, B}=a_{k} B=\left(x_{A B}, y_{A B}\right)$.

$$
T_{A B}=k_{p r, B} \cdot k_{p u b, A}=b_{k} A=\left(x_{A B}, y_{A B}\right)
$$

Both parties share the same key $T_{A B}$ because:

$$
\begin{aligned}
a_{k} B & =a_{k}\left(b_{k} P\right)=a_{k} b_{k} P \\
b_{k} A & =b_{k}\left(a_{k} P\right)=a_{k} b_{k} P
\end{aligned}
$$

For instance, $p=7, E: y^{2}=x^{3}+3 x+2$ and $P=(0,3)$.
A
B

Choose $a_{k}=k_{p r, A}=3$.
Compute $A=k_{p u}=3 P=(5,4)$.
Choose $b_{k}=k_{p r, B}=4$.
Compute $B=k_{p u}=4 P=(4,6)$.

$$
\xrightarrow{k_{p u}=A=(5,4)}
$$

$$
k_{p u}=B=(4,6)
$$

$T_{A B}=a_{k} B=3(4,6)=(5,4)$.

$$
T_{A B}=b_{k} A=4(5,4)=(5,4) .
$$

### 1.9 Hash Functions

Hash Functions digest messages of any size producing fixed-length output. Output length varies between 128 and 512 bits. Hash Functions do not require keys and are easy to compute. It means that for an input, the output will be always the same. The output is very sensitive to any change in the input.

The length of the input does not change the length of the output, here are three examples. The only difference between the second and third example is a character and the difference is noticeable.


The budget is a million.
$\Downarrow$
1C2C95D5AE6EDE25134BFD0405AF5B02

The budget is a billion.
$\Downarrow$
51F1F275741BCA8795221C508C685B58

As hash functions do not have keys. These should meet three characteristics.


Figure 1.17: Characteristics of hash functions

### 1.9.1 Preimage resistance

Preimage resistance indicates that given the output of the hash $z=h(x)$ it should be computationally infeasible to obtain the message $x$. The hash function has to be one-way.

### 1.9.2 Second preimage resistance

Second preimage resistance means that given a message $x_{1}$. It is computationally infeasible to find another message $x_{2}$ that verify $h\left(x_{1}\right)=h\left(x_{2}\right)$. As the output has a fixed length whereas the input can have any length, the number of possible inputs is greater than the number of possible outputs. It means that some inputs share the same output. A person could find it with a process similar to a key exhaustive search. To avoid it the length of the output should be at least 80 bits.

### 1.9.3 Collision resistance

Collision resistance is similar to second preimage resistance. To find two messages $x_{1}, x_{2}$ that have the same output $h\left(x_{1}\right)=h\left(x_{2}\right)$. Note that in the collision resistance, the freedom has increased because $x_{1}$ and $x_{2}$ can vary. In the second preimage resistance only $x_{2}$ can change. The probability for no collision in $t$ messages is calculated as:

$$
\begin{gathered}
P(\text { no collision })=\left(1-\frac{1}{2^{n}}\right)\left(1-\frac{2}{2^{n}}\right)\left(1-\frac{t-1}{2^{n}}\right) \\
=\prod_{i=1}^{t-1}\left(1-\frac{i}{2^{n}}\right) \\
e^{-x} \approx 1-x \\
P(\text { no collision }) \approx \prod_{i=1}^{t-1} e^{-\frac{i}{2^{n}}} \approx e^{-\frac{1+2+3 \ldots+t-1}{2^{n}}} \\
1+2+3+\ldots+t-1=t(t-1) / 2 \\
P(\text { no collision }) \approx e^{-\frac{t(t-1)}{2^{n+1}}}
\end{gathered}
$$

The probability of at least one collision is:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\lambda=1-P(\text { no collision }) \\
\lambda=1-e^{-\frac{t(t-1)}{2^{n+1}}}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\ln (\lambda-1) \approx-\frac{t(t-1)}{2^{n+1}} \\
t(t-1) \approx 2^{n+1} \ln \left(\frac{1}{1-\lambda}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

As $t$ is the number of messages and it is a natural number $t \gg 1$.

$$
t \approx 2^{(n+1) / 2} \sqrt{\ln \left(\frac{1}{1-\lambda}\right)}
$$

The numbers of messages $t$ require to find at least one collision in a hash function 80 bits output with a probability of $50 \%$ is:

$$
t \approx 2^{(80+1) / 2} \sqrt{\ln \left(\frac{1}{1-0.5}\right)} \approx 2^{40.2}
$$

This shows that the number of messages hashed needed to find a collision is roughly equal to $2^{n / 2}$.
Current laptops can compute $2^{40}$ without any difficulty. The length of the output should be increased to avoid it.

To sum up, the requirements for hash functions are:

1. Arbitrary message size.
2. Fixed output length.
3. Easy to compute.
4. Preimage resistance.
5. Second preimage resistance.
6. Collision resistance.

A hash function can be constructed in various ways. Speaking in terms of hash functions types, exist two ways:

- Dedicated hash functions: These are functions designed explicitly to hash messages such as the MD4 family.
- Block cipher-based hash functions: Also block ciphers can be used for hashing messages.


### 1.10 SHA 256 algorithm

SHA 256 is a hash function which belongs to dedicated hash functions. In this section, the algorithm that uses SHA 256 to digest messages will be explained. Notice that the size of the message is arbitrary, the length of the output is fixed, hash functions are easy to compute and should have preimage resistance, second preimage resistance, collision resistance. SHA 256 has a 256 bits output length. The algorithm is divided into preprocessing and hash computation.

### 1.10.1 Preprocessing

First of all, as the length of the input depends on the message, it is necessary to convert the size of the input in a multiple of 512 bits. To do it, padding will be applied. Padding is performed adding a ' 1 ' bit, then adding K ' 0 ' bits and the last 64 bits are the length of the message in binary.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
L+1+K+64=512 \cdot n & n \in \mathbb{N} \\
K=512 \cdot n-64-1-L & n \in \mathbb{N}
\end{array}
$$



Padding

Figure 1.18: Padding of a message

For instance, padding is shown with the message 'Hello'. Each character has 8 bits so, the length of the message is 40 bits.

$$
\begin{gathered}
H_{A S C I I}=01001000_{2} \\
e_{A S C I I}=01100101_{2} \\
l_{A S C I I}=01101100_{2} \\
l_{A S C I I}=01101100_{2} \\
o_{A S C I I}=01101111_{2} \\
K=512-64-1-40=407 \\
\underbrace{01001000}_{H} \underbrace{01100101}_{e} \underbrace{01101100}_{l} \underbrace{01101100}_{l} \underbrace{01101111}_{o} 1 \underbrace{0 \ldots 0}_{407 z e r o s} \underbrace{0 \ldots 00101000}_{l=40}
\end{gathered}
$$

One that the message has been padded, it is the time to define constants.

$$
\begin{aligned}
h_{0} & =0 x 6 a 09 e 667 \\
h_{1} & =0 x b b 67 a e 85 \\
h_{2} & =0 x 3 c 6 e f 372 \\
h_{3} & =0 x a 54 f f 53 a \\
h_{4} & =0 x 510 e 527 f \\
h_{5} & =0 x 9 b 05688 c \\
h_{6} & =0 x 1 f 83 d 9 a b \\
h_{7} & =0 x 5 b e 0 c d 19
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
K=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
0 x 428 a 2 f 98 & 0 x 71374491 & 0 x b 5 c 0 f b c f & 0 x e 9 b 5 d b a 5 \\
0 x 3956 c 25 b & 0 x 59 f 111 f 1 & 0 x 923 f 82 a 4 & 0 x a b 1 c 5 e d 5 \\
0 x d 807 a a 98 & 0 x 12835 b 01 & 0 x 243185 b e & 0 x 550 c 7 d c 3 \\
0 x 72 b e 5 d 74 & 0 x 80 d e b 1 f e & 0 x 9 b d c 06 a 7 & 0 x c 19 b f 174 \\
0 x e 49 b 69 c 1 & 0 x e f b e 4786 & 0 x 0 f c 19 d c 6 & 0 x 240 c a 1 c c \\
0 x 2 d e 92 c 6 f & 0 x 4 a 7484 a a & 0 x 5 c b 0 a 9 d c & 0 x 76 f 988 d a \\
0 x 983 e 5152 & 0 x a 831 c 66 d & 0 x b 00327 c 8 & 0 x b f 597 f c 7 \\
0 x c 6 e 00 b f 3 & 0 x d 5 a 79147 & 0 x 06 c a 6351 & 0 x 14292967 \\
0 x 27 b 70 a 85 & 0 x 2 e 1 b 2138 & 0 x 4 d 2 c 6 d f c & 0 x 53380 d 13 \\
0 x 650 a 7354 & 0 x 766 a 0 a b b & 0 x 81 c 2 c 92 e & 0 x 92722 c 85 \\
0 x a 2 b f e 8 a 1 & 0 x a 81 a 664 b & 0 x c 24 b 8 b 70 & 0 x c 76 c 51 a 3 \\
0 x d 192 e 819 & 0 x d 6990624 & 0 x f 40 e 3585 & 0 x 106 a a 070 \\
0 x 19 a 4 c 116 & 0 x 1 e 376 c 08 & 0 x 2748774 c & 0 x 34 b 0 b c b 5 \\
0 x 391 c 0 c b 3 & 0 x 4 e d 8 a a 4 a & 0 x 5 b 9 c c a 4 f & 0 x 682 e 6 f f 3 \\
0 x 748 f 82 e e & 0 x 78 a 5636 f & 0 x 84 c 87814 & 0 x 8 c c 70208 \\
0 x 90 b e f f f a & 0 x a 4506 c e b & 0 x b e f 9 a 3 f 7 & 0 x c 67178 f 2
\end{array}\right)
$$

Here $K(0,1, \ldots, 63)$ has been shown as a matrix but it is an array. For example, $K(6)=0 x 923 f 82 a 4$.

Another array $W(0,1, \ldots, 63)$ is created, it is an array of words where each word has 32 bits. The initial values of the array $W(0,1, \ldots, 63)$ are zero.

### 1.10.2 Hash computation

The first 16 words contain the message padded. As each word has 16 bits and there are 16 words, this makes a total of 512 bits.
In the example:

$$
\begin{gathered}
W(0)=01001000011001010110110001101100_{2} \\
W(1)=01101111100000000000000000000000_{2} \\
W(2,3, \ldots 14)=00000000000000000000000000000000_{2} \\
W(15)=00000000000000000000000000101000_{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

Before the algorithm will be explained, it is important to understand the meaning of $\ggg$ and $\gg$. The symbol $\ggg$ denotes a right rotation and $\gg$ a right shift. In the right rotation $\ggg$, bits are shifted to the right and the least significant bit is moved to the most significant bit. In the right shift, the least significant bit is deleted and a ' 0 ' is put in the most significant bit.

$$
\begin{aligned}
0110010_{\ggg 1} & =0011001 \\
0110010_{\ggg 2} & =1001100 \\
0110010_{\gg 1} & =0011001 \\
0110010_{\gg 2} & =0001100
\end{aligned}
$$

The symbols $\oplus, \otimes$ and $\bar{x}$ denote the operations XOR, AND and NOT respectively. The algorithm is:
for i from 16 to 63 :

$$
\begin{aligned}
& S_{0}=\left(W(i-15)_{\ggg 7}\right) \oplus\left(W(i-15)_{\ggg 18}\right) \oplus\left(W(i-15)_{\gg 3}\right) \\
& S_{1}=\left(W(i-15)_{\ggg 17}\right) \oplus\left(W(i-15)_{\ggg 19}\right) \oplus\left(W(i-15)_{\gg 10}\right) \\
& W(i)=W(i-16)+S_{0}+W(i-7)+S_{1}
\end{aligned}
$$

end for

$$
a=h_{0} \quad b=h_{1} \quad c=h_{2} \quad d=h_{3} \quad e=h_{4} f=h_{5} \quad g=h_{6} \quad h=h_{7}
$$

for i from 0 to 63 :

$$
\begin{aligned}
& S_{1}=e_{\ggg 6} \oplus e_{\ggg 11} \oplus e_{\ggg 25} \\
& c h=(e \otimes f) \oplus(\bar{e} \otimes g) \\
& t^{2} m p_{1}=h+S_{1} 1+c h+K(i)+W(i) \\
& S_{0}=a_{\ggg 2} \oplus a_{\ggg 13} \oplus a_{\ggg 22} \\
& \text { maj }=(a \otimes b) \oplus(a \otimes c) \oplus(b \otimes c) \\
& \text { temp }_{2}=S_{0}+\text { maj }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h=g \\
& g=f \\
& f=e \\
& e=d+t e m p_{1} \\
& d=c \\
& c=b \\
& b=a \\
& a=t e m p_{1}+t e m p_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

end for

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h_{0}=h_{0}+a \\
& h_{1}=h_{1}+b \\
& h_{2}=h_{2}+c \\
& h_{3}=h_{3}+d \\
& h_{4}=h_{4}+e \\
& h_{5}=h_{5}+f \\
& h_{6}=h_{6}+g \\
& h_{7}=h_{7}+h
\end{aligned}
$$

return
hash $=h_{0}$ append $h_{1}$ append $h_{2}$ append $h_{3}$ append $h_{4}$ append $h_{5}$ append $h_{6}$ append $h_{7}$

Another point of view of the same algorithm is shown below with the information included in Figure 1.19.

$$
\begin{gathered}
W(i)=M_{i} \quad i=0,1, \ldots, 15 \\
W(i)=\sigma_{1}(W(i-2))+W(i-7)+\sigma_{0}(W(i-15))+W(i-16) \quad i=16, \ldots, 63 \\
\sigma_{0}(X)=X_{\ggg 7} \oplus X_{\ggg 18} \oplus X_{\gg 3} \\
\sigma_{1}(X)=X_{\ggg 17} \oplus X_{\ggg 19} \oplus X_{\gg 10} \\
f_{0}=(X, Y, Z)=(X \times Y) \oplus(Y \otimes Z) \oplus(X \otimes Z)
\end{gathered}
$$



Figure 1.19: Hash computation

$$
\begin{gathered}
f_{1}=(X, Y, Z)=(X \times Y) \oplus(\bar{X} \otimes Z) \\
\sum 0(X)=X_{\ggg 2} \oplus X_{\ggg 13} \oplus X_{\ggg 22} \\
\sum 1(X)=X_{\ggg 6} \oplus X_{\ggg 11} \oplus X_{\ggg 25}
\end{gathered}
$$

### 1.11 PBKDF

For the security of cryptographic applications is essential keys with a high degree of randomness. Sometimes the keys are given by users and these do not have enough entropy. An example of it is shown in Table 1.9.

| Rank | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 123456 | 123456 | 123456 | 123456 | 123456 |
| 2 | password | password | password | password | 123456789 |
| 3 | 12345678 | 12345 | 12345678 | 123456789 | qwerty |
| 4 | qwerty | 12345678 | qwerty | 12345678 | password |
| 5 | 12345 | football | 12345 | 12345 | 1234567 |
| 6 | 123456789 | qwerty | 123456789 | 111111 | 12345678 |
| 7 | football | 1234567890 | letmein | 1234567 | 12345 |
| 8 | 1234 | 1234567 | 1234567 | sunshine | iloveyou |
| 9 | 1234567 | princess | football | qwerty | 111111 |
| 10 | baseball | 1234 | iloveyou | iloveyou | 123123 |

Table 1.9: Top 10 most common passwords by year according to Splash Data
Password-based key derivation functions (PBKDFs) derive cryptographic keys from passwords or passphrases. To do it, PBKDFs need as inputs a hash function, a key, a random number and the number of iterations, With this information PBKDFs derive a key. Note that the input key can be a key with low entropy.

$$
M K=P B K D F(P R F, P, S, C)
$$

where:

$$
\begin{gathered}
M K \rightarrow \text { Derived Key } \\
P R F \rightarrow \text { Hash Function } \\
P \rightarrow \text { Input Key or password } \\
S \rightarrow \text { Salt }: \text { Random Number } \\
C \rightarrow \text { Number of iterations }
\end{gathered}
$$

The algorithm that executes PBKDF is easy and fast to compute. It is explained below:

$$
\begin{gathered}
U_{1}=P R F(P, S \| \operatorname{int}(j)) \\
U_{i}=P R F\left(P, U_{i-1}\right) \quad i=2,3, \ldots, C \\
T_{j}=U_{1}, U_{2}, \ldots, U_{C} \quad j=1,2, \ldots, l \\
M K=\left[T_{1}, T_{2}, \ldots, T_{l}\right]
\end{gathered}
$$

As the length of $U_{i}$ is the length of hash function output and $T_{j}$ has the same size that $U_{i}$, the value of $l$ can be calculated with the size of hash function output and the length desired for the MK.

$$
l=\frac{\text { Length }(M K)}{\text { Length }(\text { Output Hash Function })}
$$

The abbreviation $\operatorname{int}(j)$ represents the 32-bits encoding of integer $j$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{int}(0) & =00000000000000000000000000000000_{2} \\
\operatorname{int}(5) & =00000000000000000000000000000101_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Here is shown an example using:

$$
\begin{gathered}
P R F=S H A 256 \\
P=^{\prime} \text { PolitecnicodiTorino' } \\
S=F 0 A F 0 E E 1_{\text {hex }} \\
C=3 \\
\text { Length }(M K)=512-\text { bits }
\end{gathered}
$$

Notice that the length of the output of SHA 256 is 256 bits.

$$
l=\frac{\text { Length }(M K)}{\text { Length }(\text { Output Hash Function })}=\frac{512 \text { bits }}{256 \text { bits }}=2
$$



Figure 1.20: PBKDF algorithm

$$
\begin{gathered}
U_{1}=\text { SH A256(' 'PolitecnicodiTorino' } \\
\left.1111000010101111000011101110000100000000000000000000000000000001_{2}\right) \\
\left.U_{2}=\text { SH A256(PolitecnicodiTorino }{ }^{\prime}, U_{1}\right) \\
\left.U_{3}=\text { SH A256(PolitecnicodiTorino }{ }^{\prime}, U_{2}\right) \\
T_{1}=U_{1} \oplus U_{2} \oplus U_{3} \\
U_{1}=\text { SH A256(' PolitecnicodiTorino', } \\
\left.1111000010101111000011101110000100000000000000000000000000000010_{2}\right) \\
\left.U_{2}=\text { SHA256(PolitecnicodiTorino }{ }^{\prime}, U_{1}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left.U_{3}=\text { SHA256(PolitecnicodiTorino }{ }^{\prime}, U_{2}\right) \\
T_{2}=U_{1} \oplus U_{2} \oplus U_{3}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
M K=[T 1 \| T 2]
$$

### 1.12 Digital Signatures

The Digital Signature is a tool widely used in cryptography. It enables to verify if a message was generated by the sender. The protocol to achieve that is described below and it is basen on Public Key Cryptography.
A


Sign message $s=\operatorname{sig}_{k_{p r}}(x)$.
$\longleftarrow(x, s)$

Verify signature:
$\operatorname{ver}_{k_{p u, B}}(x, s)=$ true/false.

### 1.12.1 The RSA Signature Scheme

The protocol to sign a message using the algorithm explained in 1.6.1 is:
A

$$
\begin{gathered}
\\
k_{p r}=d, \quad k_{p u}=(n, e) . \\
k_{p u}=(n, e)
\end{gathered}
$$

Sign message:
$s=\operatorname{sig}_{k_{p r}}(x)=x^{d} \bmod n$.


Verify signature:
$\operatorname{ver}_{k_{p u, B}}(x, s)=$ true $/$ false.
$x^{\prime}=s^{e} \bmod n$.

$$
x^{\prime}\left\{\begin{array}{c}
=x \bmod n ; \text { valid signature } \\
\neq x \bmod n ; \text { invalid signature }
\end{array}\right.
$$

If the message is unaltered, $x^{\prime}$ must be equal than $x$ :

$$
x^{\prime}=s^{e}=\left(x^{d}\right)^{e}=x^{d e}=x
$$

A practical example:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { A } \begin{array}{c}
\text { B } \\
k_{p r}=23 \quad k_{p u}=(55,7) . \\
\begin{array}{l}
k_{p u}=(55,7) \\
\text { Sign message } x=2: \\
s=\operatorname{sig}_{k_{p r}}(x)=2^{23} \bmod 55=8 .
\end{array} \\
\begin{array}{l}
(x, s)=(2,8)
\end{array}
\end{array} .
\end{gathered}
$$

Verify signature:
$x^{\prime}=8^{7} \bmod 55=2$.
$x^{\prime}=x$ valid signature .
This method has the same drawbacks shown in 1.6.1. This can be avoided using the padding scheme. Being $M$ the message and $n$ the length of the modulus RSA in bits, to perform the method:

1. Generate a random value salt.
2. Concatenate fixed padding $\left(\right.$ padding $\left._{1}\right)$, the message hashed $($ mhash $=$ $h(M)$ ) and salt to obtain $M^{\prime}$.
3. Calculate the hash of $M^{\prime}$.
4. Concatenate fixed padding ( padding $_{2}$ ) and salt to obtain $D B$.
5. Apply a mask generation function, often a hash function, to the hashed value of $M^{\prime}$ and obtain dbMask.
6. XOR $D B$ and dbMask to compute maskedDB.
7. Compute the encoded message $E M$ concatenating masked $D B$, the hashed value of $M^{\prime}$ and the fixed padding $b c$.


Figure 1.21: RSA encryption of a message $M$ with padding

Once the encoded message $E M$ is computed, the digital signature is calculated as:

$$
s=\operatorname{sig}_{k_{p r}}(x)=E M^{d} \bmod n
$$

To verify the signature, the second party do the same process with the values salt, padding 1, padding $_{2}$ and $b c$ to obtain $E M^{\prime}$ and check if $E M$ is equal than $E M^{\prime}$ where:

$$
\begin{gathered}
E M^{\prime}=E M^{e} \bmod n \\
E M^{\prime}\left\{\begin{array}{c}
=E M \bmod n ; \text { valid signature } \\
\neq E M \bmod n ; \text { invalid signature }
\end{array}\right.
\end{gathered}
$$

### 1.12.2 A complete example

Note that the message can be encrypted using symmetric cryptography with a key shared previously through asymmetric cryptography. Adding it, the protocol is completed. In the example, Elliptic Curves with Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange, AES, SHA 256 and PBKDF are used. This is the most ambitious example written in this paper so far.
A

## B

Information about the functions used

Choose a prime $p$.
Choose an elliptic curve $E$.
$E: y^{2}=x^{3}+a \cdot x+b$.
Choose a primitive element $P=\left(x_{p}, y_{p}\right)$.
$\longleftarrow(p, E, P)$

Choose $a=k_{p r, A} \in\{2,3, \ldots, \# E-1\}$.
Compute $A=k_{p u}=a P=A=\left(x_{A}, y_{A}\right)$.
Choose $b=k_{p r, B} \in\{2,3, \ldots, \# E-1\}$.
Compute $B=k_{p u}=b P=\left(x_{B}, y_{B}\right)$.

$$
k_{p u}=A
$$

$$
k_{p u}=B
$$

$T_{A B}=k_{p r, A} \cdot k_{p u b, B}=a B=\left(x_{A B}, y_{A B}\right)$.
$P=S H A 256\left(x_{A B}\right)$.
Compute salt $=R C 4 R N G\left(x_{A B}\right)$.
$M K=P B K D F(S H A 256, P$, salt,$C)$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& T_{A B}=k_{p r, B} \cdot k_{p u b, A}=b A=\left(x_{A B}, y_{A B}\right) \\
& P=S H A 256\left(x_{A B}\right) \\
& \text { Compute salt }=R C 4 R N G\left(x_{A B}\right) . \\
& M K=P B K D F(S H A 256, P, \text { salt }, C) . \\
& {\left[y_{1}, \ldots, y_{n}, T, A D D\right]=G C M-A E S_{M K}\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right) .} \\
& k_{p r}=d \quad k_{p u}=(n, e) .
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
k_{p u}=(n, e)
$$

$s=\left(E M\left(y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}\right)\right)^{d} \bmod n$.
$\left[y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}, T, A D D, s\right]$
$\left[x_{2}, \ldots, x_{n}, T^{\prime}\right]=G C M-A E S_{M K}^{-1}\left(\left[y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}, T, A D D\right]\right)$.

Check $T^{\prime}=T$.
$s^{\prime}=\left(E M\left(y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}\right)\right)^{e} \bmod n$.
Check $s^{\prime}=s$.

### 1.13 Certificates

In this thesis has been shown in 1.12.2 how communications can be carried out but this requires that each party trust in the other. This is vulnerable to the man in the middle attack. In this subsection is explained in what consists the man in the middle attack and how to avoid it using certificates.

### 1.13.1 Man in the middle attack

Asymmetric cryptography is vulnerable to attacks where a user replaces the public keys sent by both parties with his keys. This is known as man in the middle attack.
A
C
B
$k_{p r, A}=a$.
$A=k_{p u, A}=\alpha^{a} \bmod n$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& k_{p r, B}=b . \\
& B=k_{p u, B}=\alpha^{b} \bmod n .
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow[\longrightarrow]{A} \text { substitute } \hat{A}=\alpha^{o} \xrightarrow{\hat{A}} \\
& \stackrel{\hat{B}}{\longleftrightarrow} \text { substitute } \hat{B}=\alpha^{o} \stackrel{B}{\longleftrightarrow}
\end{aligned}
$$

$k_{A O}=(\hat{B})^{a} \bmod n$.

$$
k_{B O}=(\hat{A})^{b} \bmod n
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& k_{A O}=A^{o} \bmod n . \\
& k_{B O}=B^{o} \bmod n .
\end{aligned}
$$

Note that the malicious user (C) has the same keys that the parties A and B.

$$
\begin{gathered}
k_{A O}=(\hat{B})^{a} \bmod n=\alpha^{o a} \bmod n \\
k_{A O}=A^{o} \bmod n=\alpha^{a o} \bmod n \\
k_{B O}=(\hat{A})^{b} \bmod n=\alpha^{o b} \bmod n \\
k_{B O}=B^{o} \bmod n=\alpha^{o b} \bmod n
\end{gathered}
$$

These keys usually are used for the key of symmetric cryptography and the user C could intercept the ciphertexts, decrypt them, encrypt the message that he wants and nobody would notice it.

### 1.13.2 Certificates

Even though public-key schemes do not require a secure channel, these require authenticated channels for the distribution of the public keys. Certificates are used to authenticate and are based on digital signatures. A certificate contains the public key, the identifying information and digital signature of the public key and the identifying information. These certificates travel in the transport layer.

$$
\operatorname{Cert}_{A}=\left[\left(k_{p u, A}, I D_{A}\right), \operatorname{sig}_{k_{p r}}\left(k_{p u, A}, I D_{A}\right)\right]
$$

If a user tries to replace the public key, the change will be detected because the digital signature will not be valid.

The signatures for certificates are given by a trusted third party which is called Certification Authority (CA). This CA provides the public and private keys.

Now, the users do not need to trust in another party which is vulnerable to man in the middle attack. They only must trust in the CA. At the same same time CA trust in others CA. This is called a chain of trust and there are three types of CA (root, intermediate and end-entity CA).
At the top level is a root CA, who signs his own certificate and also signs the intermediate certificates. An intermediate CA is referenced to a root

CA and signs the end-entity certificates. An end-entity CA is referenced to intermediate CA.


Figure 1.22: Chain of trust

### 1.13.3 X. 509

X. 509 is the most used certificate on internet connections. The structure of this certificate is:

- Version: The version number indicates changes in certificate format over time.
- Serial number: The serial number is an identifier for each certificate generated by an issuer. Two different certificates must have two different serial numbers.
- Signature: This field points out the algorithm and the parameters needed to sign the certificate.
- Issuer name: The name of the CA.

```
    Miscellaneous
    Serial Number 03:FE:2D:9E:83:8E:44:A7:10:34:AD:BD:D3:C3:E1:E2:AE:0F
Signature Algorithm SHA-256 with RSA Encryption
            Version 3
            Download PEM (cert) PEM (chain)
```

Figure 1.23: Version, serial number and signature

```
    Issuer Name
    Country US
    Organisation Let's Encrypt
Common Name Let's Encrypt Authority X3
```

Figure 1.24: Issuer name

- Validity period: Two times and dates that indicate the start and the end of the period when the certificate can be used.

[^0]Figure 1.25: Validity period

- Subject name: A representation of its subject's identity in the form of a Distinguished Name.

Subject Name
Common Name password.link

Figure 1.26: Subject name

- Subject of Public Key: The algorithms and parameters associated with the subject.
- Fingerprint: A digest using a hash function of the certificate.

```
Public Key Info
    Algorithm RSA
        Key Size }204
    Exponent 65537
        BF:08:2C:DB:C5:2B:9C:9C:E8:64:93:1D:23:2F:DC:B8:5B:9B:96:E7:3C:D6:D4:83:DE:45:8C:7A:21:9E:0F:33:23:63:EA:FA:D6:C
        C:4D:6A:47:19:FF:CB:65:C0:C9:36:35:5C:5E:CA:F7:A9:8D:D0:8C:0E:BC:6B:62:98:56:FC:24:7A:CA:59:4C:04:0F:C5:A3:CA:56:
        AB:75:0C:A6:60:2C:E7:CC:9F:38:A3:24:ED:9F:E5:03:1D:F1:DE:8A:82:09:38:16:F6:9A:C8:C6:83:19:58:0D:51:24:78:BD:C5:2F:
        Modulus 28:8F:06:F9:24:0F:78:C7:49:FA:2C:BD:17:28:AB:34:B0:61:AE:4B:5E:23:22:83:88:C2:EE:D7:24:A5:E7:15:7F:4B:C5:8D:D8:0F:8
        9:26:CF:DF:7E:F7:2B:50:2C:55:DE:65:D2:52:20:81:8C:12:57:70:C9:9E:B6:4D:CE:87:7D:14:05:04:11:8B:95:3D:C0:77:C6:6E:4
        2:B2:EA:9F:07:AE:E0:06:9C:C2:A2:AD:51:C7:89:4A:00:42:A5:87:D2:60:80:BE:2A:9E:6B:5E:0B:28:BA:67:7C:A5:8B:75:D1:40:
        69:96:F1:35:33:01:A4:D1:A2:F6:0E:3E:5E:B0:A2:0E:AF:AD:5E:E1:BF:6A:16:DA:78:45:AD:96:01
```

Figure 1.27: Subject of Public Key

```
Fingerprints
    SHA-256 61:A4:C7:8D:A8:52:CD:1A:BE:FB:55:DC:48:B5:C3:A8:D8:EE:23:7A:CD:BA:25:C8:7A:2F:A2:B5:C0:9A:9F:F6
        SHA-1 32:ED:24:31:74:53:6B:F0:3D:D8:A4:D7:2E:52:1C:6E:85:D2:DB:31
```

Figure 1.28: Fingerprint

## Chapter 2

## Internet connection

Internet has become a fundamental tool in any field. Internet is used to communicate people, to share documents, to access to the bank, to make transactions, to shop online, to sell, to make money... These connections must be secure otherwise the attacks to stole money and other malicious actions will be a constant and anybody will use internet.


Figure 2.1: Evolution of internet users
The connection between a computer and a server through internet is carried out with the Internet Protocol Suite (TCP/IP). The structure of TCP/IP is explained in this chapter focusing on cryptographic aspects.

### 2.1 Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTPS)

Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTPS) is a combination of Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) and Transport Layer Security (TLS).


Figure 2.2: HTTPS

### 2.1.1 Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP)

Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) is a protocol which allows data exchange.

Client Server


HTTP response

The process that occurs in the exchange is:

1. A client (a browser as Mozilla, Chrome,...) sends a HTTP request.
2. The server receives the request.
3. The server processes the request.
4. The server returns a HTTP response to the client.
5. The client receives the response.

The HTTP response depends on the HTML request.

| Request | Response |
| :---: | :---: |
| HTML page | HTML file |
| Style of sheet | CSS file |
| JPG image | JPG file |
| JavaScript code | JS file |
| Data | Data |

Table 2.1: HTTP request and response

### 2.1.2 Transport Layer Security (TLS)

Transport Layer Security (TLS) is a cryptographic protocol whose function is to provide communication security over a computer network. TLS uses asymmetric cryptography to key exchange, symmetric cryptography to cipher HTTP request and response and digital certificates to authenticate the keys. Currently only there are two versions of TLS allowed which are TLS 1.2 and TLS 1.3 .

| Cipher | TLS 1.2 | TLS 1.3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AES GCM | Yes | Yes |
| AES CCM | Yes | Yes |
| Camellia GCM | Yes | No |
| ARIA GCM | Yes | No |
| ChaCha20-Poly1305 | Yes | Yes |

Table 2.2: TLS Ciphers supported

| Algorithm | TLS 1.2 | TLS 1.3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RSA | Yes | No |
| DH-RSA | Yes | No |
| DHE-RSA | Yes | Yes |
| ECDH-RSA | Yes | No |
| ECDHE-RSA | Yes | Yes |
| DH-DSS | Yes | No |
| DHE-DSS | Yes | No |
| ECDH-ECDSA | Yes | No |
| ECDHE-ECDSA | Yes | Yes |
| ECDH-EdDSA | Yes | No |
| ECDHE-EdDSA | Yes | Yes |
| DHE-PSK | Yes | Yes |
| ECDHE-PSK | Yes | Yes |

Table 2.3: TLS Key exchange algorithms supported

## TLS 1.2

The protocol of TLS 1.2 establishes a new session as it is shown. The symbol $*$ denotes that the message is optional and the meaning of each communication between the client and the server is explained below.

## Client

Server

Hello request*
$\qquad$

Client Hello

Server Hello
$\qquad$

Certificate


Change Cipher


- Hello request: This is an optional message sent by the server and is a notification that the client should begin the negotiation process.
- Client Hello: This message is in response to a Hello request or by the client initiative. The Client Hello contains the following fields:
- Protocol version: Indicate the version of the TLS protocol by which the client wishes to communicate during this session.
- Random value: This field contains the time and date in milliseconds since the midnight Jan. 1, 1970, UTC and 28 bytes generated by a secure random number generator.
- Session ID: Empty or provides the ID of a previous session that the client wishes to use.
- Cipher Suite: List of cryptographic options supported by the client. If Session ID is not empty, it must contain the cipher suite from that session.
- Compression method: List of compression methods supported by the client. If Session ID is not empty, it must contain the compression method from that session.
- Extension: Empty or indicates the signature and hash algorithms that the client wishes to use for digital signatures.
- Server Hello: This message is in response to a Client Hello. The Server Hello contains the following fields:
- Protocol version: Indicates the version chosen by the server.
- Random value: This field contains the time and date in milliseconds since the midnight Jan. 1, 1970, UTC and 28 bytes generated by a secure random number generator. This number must be independent of the value generated by the client.
- Session ID: If the client Session ID is empty, the server will assign a value to Session ID for this communication. If the client Session ID is not empty, the server will look for a match in the cache.
- Cipher Suite: The cipher suite chosen by the server.
- Compression method: The compression method chosen by the server.
- Extension: If the client Extension is empty, the server will send the signature algorithm for key exchange.
- Server Certificate: The server sends a certificate message for authentication in the key exchange method. This message is a chain of certificates. The first certificate in the chain is the server's certificate and it is referenced to other certificates. The last certificate is a root certificate self-signed.
- Server Key Exchange: This message contains the key exchange method and the parameters needed for the key exchange.
- Certificate request: The server can send this message to request a certificate to authenticate the client. In this message, the server includes the type of certificates, the signature algorithms, the hash algorithms and the certificate authorities (CA) that supports.
- Server Hello done: A message to indicate that the Server Hello protocol is completed.
- Client Certificate: In the case that the server has requested a certificate to the client, the client will send this message that includes his own chain of certificates and the signature algorithms and hash algorithms used for it.
- Certificate Verify: Message sent by the client in order to confirm that he has verified the certificates.
- Client Key Exchange: This message includes the key exchange parameters needed to complete the key exchange.
- Change Cipher: A short message which length with a single byte of value 1 encrypted by the current method.
- Finished: Both, the server and the client send this message to confirm that the change cipher has been received, the authentication and the key exchange processes have been a success.

In the case that a session had been established before and the client wants to recover it, the protocol change to avoid unnecessary repetitions. The client sends Client Hello and in the field Session ID, he includes the number of the previous version.

## Client

## Server

$\longleftarrow$ Hello request*
$\xrightarrow{\text { Client Hello }}$
Server Hello
Change Cipher

Finished
$\longleftarrow$ Change Cipher

Finished


### 2.2 TCP/IP

The Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) and Internet Protocol (IP) are known as Internet Protocol Suite (TCP/IP). The Internet Protocol enables the communication between computers, specifying how the data should be packetized, addressed, transmitted, routed and received. To achieve that, the protocol is divided into five layers. The physical and data link layer constitute the link layer shown in Figure 2.3. From the lowest to the highest, these are:

- Physical: This layer deals with bit-level transmission between different devices and supports electrical or mechanical interfaces connecting to the physical medium for synchronized communication.
- Data Link: The data link layer is used for the encoding, decoding and logical organization of data bits. Data packets are framed and addressed by this layer.
- Network Layer: This layer is responsible for sending packets across multiple networks. The protocols used for it are IPv4 and IPv6. IPv4 works with addresses of 32 bytes whereas IPv6 uses addresses of 128 bytes.
- Transport Layer: It is responsible for end-to-end communication over a network. It provides logical communication between application processes running on different hosts within a layered architecture of protocols and other network components. The transport layer is also responsible for the management of error correction, providing quality and reliability to the end user. The protocols defined to do it are TCP and UDP. TCP perform a more exhaustive search for errors than UDP but UDP is faster and more efficient.
- Application: The highest layer, it provides the interfaces and protocols needed by the users. Some application layer protocols include the Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP), the File Transfer Protocol (FTP), the Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP), and the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP).


## Network Topology



## Data Flow



Figure 2.3: Internet Protocol

## Chapter 3

## Password.link

The web page password.link allows any message to be safely delivered through an insecure media.


Figure 3.1: Dashboard of password.link
Password.link defines itself as:
"Do you know who reads your passwords and other secrets when you send them over email? We have a solution."
"Password.link is perfect for sending user passwords, Cisco ASA, IKE and other pre-shared VPN keys, WLAN passwords, license keys for games and software and anything alike. Create a link to the secret that works only one time and get a notification when the link has been accessed. Encryption and decryption of the secret always happen in the browser using an encryption key fully known only by the browser that generates the link."
"Our service encrypts the secret and seals it behind a link that can be opened just once. If the link recipient is unable to open the secret, then someone else has already seen it and proper actions should be taken. Different kind of notifications can also be configured to be sent right away when the secret has been viewed. Encrypting and decrypting the secret always happens in the browser and the actual secret cannot be seen by us."
"We also have an API which can be used to easily integrate the service into any application or service. In addition we also offer licenses to the full source code of the service so companies can run it in their internal networks or other private services, modify it to suit their needs and be sure that they are in full control of all data passed through the service."
"Password.link is being used by all kinds of technology companies all around the world."

Once that the description is completed. It is the time to prove that through a practical example. To do it, it is necessary to create an account. Password.link offers four different plans:


Figure 3.2: Plans offered by password.link

Now all is ready to perform the example. The secret to sending is "The code has changed. The new code is RC25js79.". There are other fields to complete. These are description, message, expiration time and view button. The description is only seen by the sender and it is a name to recognize the secret. The message is an additional message that will be shown with the secret. The expiration time is the time in hours that the viewer has available to view the secret once it has been sent. The view button is a confirmation button and it is shown before the message. Figure 3.3.

## Dashboard



## Description

Change in the code
Description for the secret. Will be shown in the list of stored secrets, can't be seen by the viewer.
Message
If you don't understand the message, close this tab
Message for the viewer. Will be shown along the secret.
Expiration time
24
Expiration time for the link, in hours (1-350).

## View button

$\square$ Enable view button
Show a 'view secret' button first instead of showing the secret immediately after opening the link.

Figure 3.3: Dashboard fulfilled
Then the create link button is pressed and it returns a link. This link is sent to another party through any channel (secure or insecure). Figure 3.4.
When the viewer receives the link and introduces it in his navigator, he will see the view secret button because it was activated. Figure 3.5.

If he clicks in the view button the secret will be revealed with the message. Figure 3.6.

If anybody tries to use this link the message will not be shown again. The
same occurs when the first viewer refreshes the page. Another possibility is that the expiration time has over. Figure 3.7.

Finally, the sender can check if his message has been viewed, has expired or is still waiting for an action by the viewer. Figure 3.8.

## Dashboard



Description
Change in the code
Description for the secret. Will be shown in the list of stored secrets, can't be seen by the viewer.

## Message

If you don't understand the message, close this tab.
Message for the viewer. Will be shown along the secret.
Expiration time

24
Expiration time for the link, in hours (1-350).

## View button

$\square$ Enable view button
Show a 'view secret' button first instead of showing the secret immediately after opening the link.

Figure 3.4: Link created

## Here's the secret

## View secret

Make sure you copy the secret to a safe place right away.
This page cannot be used to retrieve the secret again after it has been viewed.

When the secret has been viewed it is also deleted from our database. It is then no longer possible for anyone to view it.

Figure 3.5: View secret button

## Here's the secret

If you don't understand the message, close this tab.


The code has changed. The new code is RC25js79.

Make sure you copy the secret to a safe place right away. This page cannot be used to retrieve the secret again after it has been viewed.

Figure 3.6: Secret and message are revealed

## Secret already viewed or expired

# This secret has already been viewed or it has expired. It no longer exists in our database. <br> If this is your first time trying to use the link, you must notify the link sender immediately that someone else has seen the secret, it has expired or you were given a wrong link. 

Figure 3.7: Secret viewed or expired

Figure 3.8: Secret's situation

### 3.1 Internet connection

The communication between a user and password.link is made through TCP/IP. In particular, the server uses HTTPS. It can be checked easily in the domain of the website.

## https://password.link

Figure 3.9: Domain of password.link
Clicking on the lock is possible to see which version of TLS is using.

## Technical Details

Connection Encrypted (TLS_ECDHE_RSA_WITH_AES_128_GCM_SHA256, 128 bit keys, TLS 1.2)
The page you are viewing was encrypted before being transmitted over the Internet.
Encryption makes it difficult for unauthorised people to view information travelling between computers. It is therefore unlikely that anyone read this page as it travelled across the network.

Figure 3.10: Version of TLS and algorithms used
TLS ECDHE RSA WITH AES 128 GCM SHA256, 128 bits keys, TLS 1.2 means:

- TLS version: 1.2.
- Key exchange: Elliptic Curves Diffie-Hellman Ephemeral (ECDHE).
- Authentication: RSA.
- Encryption: Advanced Encryption System 128 bits (AES-128) with Galois Counter Mode (GCM).
- Hash function: SHA 256.

Elliptic Curves Diffie-Hellman Ephemeral (ECDHE) is Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange with Elliptic Curves viewed in 1.8.3. The only difference is that the word Ephemeral is added. It means that the parameters to generate the key exchange are refreshed each time that this process is performed. As it is explained in 1.13 , authentication is necessary to avoid the man in the middle
attack. It is done with certificates. These certificates use RSA to sign. A scheme is shown below.

## Client <br> Server



Elliptic Curves parameters $p, E, P$.
RSA parameters $d, n, e$.

$\stackrel{\text { Server Key Exchange }\left(x, s_{s}\right)}{\longleftrightarrow}$


Server Hello done

$\qquad$
$A=a P$.
$s_{c}=\operatorname{sign}(A) *$.


Change Cipher

Finished


Password.link uses three certificates to authenticate. The first one is the end-entity certificate which belongs to password.link and is referred to the intermediate certificate. Figure 3.11.

The second is the intermediate certificate which belongs to Let's Encrypt Authority X3 and is referred to the root certificate. Figure 3.12.

The root certificate belongs to Digital Signature Trust Co. and is self-signed. This CA is widely recognized. Figure 3.13.

The three certificates use RSA to verify to encrypt and the length of the key is 2048 bits. The user receives:

$$
(n, e)
$$

## Certificate

| password.link | Let's Encrypt Authority X3 | DST Root CA X3 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |

```
            Subject Name
            Common Name password.link
            Issuer Name
                    Country US
            Organisation Let's Encrypt
            Common Name Let's Encrypt Authority X3
                    Validity
            Not Before 18/09/2020, 02:42:05 (Central European Standard Time)
            Not After 17/12/2020, 01:42:05 (Central European Standard Time)
Subject Alt Names
    DNS Name password.link
        Public Key Info
            Algorithm RSA
            Key Size 2048
            Exponent }6553
                    BF:08:2C:DB:C5:2B:9C:9C:E8:64:93:1D:23:2F:DC:B8:5B:9B:96:E7:3C:D6:D4:83:DE:45:8C:7A:21:9E:00:33:23:63:EA:FA:D6:C
                    C:4D:6A:47:19:FF:CB:65:C0:C9:36:35:5C:5E:CA:F7:A9:8D:DO:8C:OE:BC:6B:62:98:56:FC:24:7A:CA:59:4C:04:0F:CC:A3:CA:56:
                    AB:75:0C:A6:60:2C:E7:CC:9F:38:A3:24:ED:9F:E5:03:1D:F1:DE:8A:82:09:38:16:F6:9A:C8:C6:83:19:58:0D:51:24:78:BD:C5:2F:
            Modulus 28:8F:06:F9:24:0F:78:C7:49:FA:2C:BD:17:28:AB:34:B0:61:AE:4B:5E:23:22:83:88:C2:EE:D7:24:A5:E7:15:7F:4B:C5:8D:D8:0F:8
                    9:26:CF:DF:7E:F7:2B:50:2C:55:DE:65:D2:52:20:81:8C:12:57:70:C9:9E:B6:4D:CE:87:7D:14:05:04:11:8B:95:3D:C0:77:C6:6E:4
                    2:B2:EA:9F:07:AE:E0:06:9C:C2:A2:AD:51:C7:89:4A:00:42:A5:87:D2:60:80:BE:2A:9E:6B:5E:0B:28:BA:67:7C:A5:8B:75:D1:40:
                    69:96:F1:35:33:01:A4:D1:A2:F6:0E:3E:5E:B0:A2:0E:AF:AD:5E:E1:BF:6A:16:DA:78:45:AD:96:01
        Miscellaneous
        Serial Number 03:FE:2D:9E:83:8E:44:A7:10:34:AD:BD:D3:C3:E1:E2:AE:0F
Signature Algorithm SHA-256 with RSA Encryption
            Version 3
            Download PEM (cert) PEM (chain)
            Fingerprints
            SHA-256 61:A4:C7:8D:A8:52:CD:1A:BE:FB:55:DC:48:B5:C3:A8:D8:EE:23:7A:CD:BA:25:C8:7A:2F:A2:B5:CO:9A:9F:F6
                SHA-1 32:ED:24:31:74:53:6B:F0:3D:D8:A4:D7:2E:52:1C:6E:85:D2:DB:31
```

Figure 3.11: End-entity certificate

$$
\begin{gathered}
x=(p, E, P, B) \\
s_{s}=\operatorname{sign}(x)=x^{d} \bmod n
\end{gathered}
$$

he must compute

$$
x^{\prime}=s_{s}^{e} \bmod n
$$

and check that

$$
x^{\prime}=x
$$

## Certificate



Figure 3.12: Intermediate certificate
if the two variable has the same value he will check that the end-entity certificate is signed by the intermediate certificate and that the intermediate certificate is signed by the root certificate. This operation is called Certificate Verify and is inside that TLS 1.2.

When it has been checked, the server and the user shares the same key, it will be used to transfer application data encrypting and decrypting it with AES-128 and the GCM. In this case, the application data is a hypertext transfer.

## Certificate



Figure 3.13: Root certificate

### 3.2 Password.link operation

To sum up the process, a user introduces a secret, a message and the expiration time, the web page returns a secret link and encrypt the secret, the viewer will open the link and will decrypt it to view the secret. The question is how occurs it and if there is any cryptographic function participating in the process.

### 3.2.1 Generate the link

The secret link that the user request to send the secret to the viewer has always the same structure.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { Secret Link }=\text { Link Base }+" / "+\text { Secret ID }+" / "+" \# "+ \\
+ \text { Password Part Public Base } 64
\end{gathered}
$$

The Link Base is https : //password.link.
The Secret ID is the value generated with a simple hash function, where the secret, the message, the expiration time and time expressed in milliseconds since the midnight Jan. 1, 1970, UTC are hashed. This hash function has 6 characters as output.

The Password Part Public Base 64 is slightly more complex to calculate. The web page generates two string called Password Part Public and Password Part Private. Each string has 18 characters. The strings are generated by a random function explained below. The strings only can have the characters included in Table 3.1. For instance, the characters ; : will not appear in any string.

The strings are generated character by character. To generate a character the function Math.seedrandom is used. This function returns a random number in $[0,1)$. This random number is multiplied by 87 and the largest integer less or equal than the given number is utilized to choose the character.

| Number | Character | Number | Character | Number | Character |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | A | 29 | d | 58 | 6 |
| 1 | $B$ | 30 | $e$ | 59 | 7 |
| 2 | C | 31 | $f$ | 60 | 8 |
| 3 | D | 32 | $g$ | 61 | 9 |
| 4 | E | 33 | $h$ | 62 | \$ |
| 5 | $F$ | 34 | $i$ | 63 | \| |
| 6 | $G$ | 35 | $j$ | 64 | / |
| 7 | H | 36 | $k$ | 65 | $\backslash$ |
| 8 | I | 37 | $l$ | 66 | ! |
| 9 | $J$ | 38 | $m$ | 67 | - |
| 10 | K | 39 | $n$ | 68 | + |
| 11 | $L$ | 40 | $o$ | 69 | , |
| 12 | M | 41 | $p$ | 70 | . |
| 13 | $N$ | 42 | $q$ | 71 | - |
| 14 | O | 43 | $r$ | 72 | ? |
| 15 | $P$ | 44 | $s$ | 73 | ( |
| 16 | $Q$ | 45 | $t$ | 74 | ) |
| 17 | $R$ | 46 | $u$ | 75 |  |
| 18 | $S$ | 47 | $v$ | 76 | ] |
| 19 | $T$ | 48 | $w$ | 77 | \{ |
| 20 | U | 49 | $x$ | 78 | \} |
| 21 | V | 50 | $y$ | 79 | $<$ |
| 22 | W | 51 | $z$ | 80 | > |
| 23 | $X$ | 52 | 0 | 81 |  |
| 24 | $Y$ | 53 | 1 | 82 | \# |
| 25 | Z | 54 | 2 | 83 |  |
| 26 | $a$ | 55 | 3 | 84 | * |
| 27 | $b$ | 56 | 4 | 85 | = |
| 28 | c | 57 | 5 | 86 | @ |

Table 3.1: Equivalence between numbers and characters

For example, 0.0988257879579245 is the value obtained from Math.seedrandom:
$87 * 0.0988257879579245=8.597843552$

The largest integer less than or equal than $8.5978 \ldots$ is 8 .

$$
8 \Rightarrow I
$$

This process is repeated 18 times to generate a string with 18 characters. Once the Password Part Public and Password Part Private has been generated, these must be converted in Base64.

## Math.seedrandom

The main question here is how the numbers are generated. Math.seedrandom uses RC 4 which is explained in 1.2 . Notice that RC 4 algorithm needs a key to calculate the S-Box. Once the S-box is calculated, the RC4 RNG is used to calculate a random number $r$ with count $=6$. Notice that the output of Math.seedrandom is in the interval $[0,1)$ while $r$ is always bigger than 1 . To convert the number in the interval:

$$
\begin{align*}
& n=R C 4 R N G(\text { count }=6) \\
& d=2^{48} \\
& x=0 \\
& \text { while }\left(n<2^{52}\right) \\
& \quad n=(n+x) \cdot 256 \\
& \quad d=d \cdot 256 \\
& \quad x=R C 4 R N G \quad \text { count }=1) \\
& \text { while }\left(n>2^{52}\right) \\
& \quad n=n / 2 \cdot 256 \\
& \quad d=d / 2 \cdot 256 \\
& \quad \begin{array}{l}
x \ggg=1
\end{array} \\
& \text { return }(n+x) / d \tag{0,1}
\end{align*}
$$

The operation $\ggg=$ called as right shift assignment moves the specified amount of bits to the right and assigns the result to the variable.

$$
\begin{gathered}
16 \ggg=2 \rightarrow 10000_{2} \ggg=2 \rightarrow 00100_{2}=4 \\
5 \ggg=1 \rightarrow 101_{2} \ggg=1 \rightarrow 010_{2}=2
\end{gathered}
$$



The key for generating the S-Box is obtained through a seed and entropy. The user can choose one of the following options: Entropy and seed, only seed or neither. These fields are introduced when the user calls the function.

Math.seedrandom('hello', \{entropy : true\}) Entropy and a seed
Math.seedrandom('hello') A seed
Math.seedrandom()
Math.random() is a function which generates random values without any security. The values are in $[0,1)$. The function $\operatorname{conc}()$ concatenates two variables given as inputs and converts them into a string.

$$
\operatorname{conc}(' h e l l o ', 0.731861861)={ }^{\prime} \text { helloo.731861861' }
$$

The function autoseed() does not need any input. His output is a string that depends on the time expressed in milliseconds since the midnight Jan. 1, 1970, UTC and local variables such as the plugins, the screen...

The last function is mixkey, his goal is to obtain a key from a seed.

```
mixkey(seed,initkey)
stringseed \(=\) seed \(+{ }^{\prime \prime}\)
\(j=0\)
```

```
mask \(=255 \quad 255_{10}=11111111_{2}\)
```

mask $=255 \quad 255_{10}=11111111_{2}$
smear $=0$
smear $=0$
while $(j<$ length(stringseed $))$
while $(j<$ length(stringseed $))$
smear^ $=$ initkey $[$ mask\&j] $\cdot 19$
smear^ $=$ initkey $[$ mask\&j] $\cdot 19$
$k e y[$ mask\& $j]=\operatorname{mask} \&((s m e a r `$ (initkey $[$ mask\& $j] \cdot 19)+A S C I I(\operatorname{stringseed}(j)))$
$k e y[$ mask\& $j]=\operatorname{mask} \&((s m e a r `$ (initkey $[$ mask\& $j] \cdot 19)+A S C I I(\operatorname{stringseed}(j)))$
smear $=$ smear ïnitkey[mask\&j] $\cdot 19$
smear $=$ smear ïnitkey[mask\&j] $\cdot 19$
$j=j+1$
$j=j+1$
return key

```
return key
```

The symbol \& is the bitwise AND operation and it avoids keys longer than 256 characters. Notice that to obtain the S-Box a key longer than 256 characters will produce the same effect that the same key truncated from the characters 1 to 256 . The symbol ${ }^{\wedge}=$ represents the bitwise assignment XOR operation.

For instance, seed $=^{\prime}$ hyt ${ }^{\prime}$ and initkey $=[37452]$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { mixkey }\left({ }^{\prime} h y t^{\prime},[3,7,4,5,2]\right) \\
& \text { stringseed }=^{\prime} \text { hyt }^{\prime} \\
& j=0 \\
& \text { mask }=255 \\
& \text { smear }=0 \\
& \text { while }(0<3) \\
& \quad \text { key }\left[11111111_{2} \& 0\right]=1111111_{2} \&\left(\left(0 \oplus\left(\text { initkey }\left[11111111_{2} \& 0\right] \cdot 19\right)+\right.\right. \\
& \quad+\text { ASCII }(\text { stringseed }(h)))) \\
& \quad \text { key }[0]=0 \oplus(3 \cdot 19)+104=57+104=161 \\
& \quad \text { smear }=0 \oplus{\text { initkey }\left[11111111_{2} \& 0\right] \cdot 19=\text { initkey }[0] \cdot 19=3 * 19=57}_{\quad j=1}^{\text {while }(1<3)} \quad \begin{array}{l}
\text { key }[1]=11111111_{2} \&((57 \oplus(\text { initkey }[1] \cdot 19)+\text { ASCII }(\text { stringseed }(y)))) \\
\quad \text { key }[1]=11111111_{2} \&\left(\left(57 \oplus(7 \cdot 19)+121=11111111_{2} \&((57 \oplus 133)+\right.\right. \\
\quad+161)=11111111_{2} \&\left(\left(111001_{2} \oplus 10000101_{2}\right)+121\right)=11111111_{2} \&\left(10111100_{2}+\right. \\
\quad+161)=11111111_{2} \&(188+121)=1111111_{2} \& 309=1111111_{2} \& 00110101_{2}= \\
\quad=01011101_{2}=53 \\
\quad \text { smear }=57 \oplus(\text { initkey }[1] \cdot 19)=57 \oplus(7 * 19)=57 \oplus 133=188 \\
\quad j=2
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

while $(2<3)$
$\operatorname{key}[2]=11111111_{2} \&((188 \oplus($ initkey $[2] \cdot 19)+\operatorname{ASCII}($ stringseed $(t))))$
$\operatorname{key}[2]=11111111_{2} \&\left(\left(188 \oplus(4 \cdot 19)+116=11111111_{2} \&((188 \oplus 133)+\right.\right.$
$+116)=11111111_{2} \&\left(\left(10111100_{2} \oplus 10000101_{2}\right)+116\right)=11111111_{2} \&\left(11110000_{2}+\right.$
$+116)=11111111_{2} \&(240+116)=11111111_{2} \& 356=11111111_{2} \& 101100100_{2}=$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =01100100_{2}=100 \\
& \text { smear }=240 \\
& j=3
\end{aligned}
$$

return key $=[161,53,100]$
Note that the initkey is always empty when Math.seedrandom is called. When it occurs, mixkey performs a simply conversion from characters to numbers using ASCII. The same example but with initkey $=[]$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { mixkey }(\text { 'hyt', }[]) \\
& \text { stringseed }=^{\prime} \text { hyt' }^{\prime} \\
& j=0 \\
& \text { mask }=255 \\
& \text { smear }=0 \\
& \text { while }(0<3) \\
& \quad \text { key }\left[11111111_{2} \& 0\right]=11111111_{2} \&\left(\left(0 \oplus\left(\text { initkey }\left[11111111_{2} \& 0\right] \cdot 19\right)+\right.\right. \\
& \quad+A S C I I(\text { stringseed }(h)))) \\
& \quad \text { key }[0]=0 \oplus(0 \cdot 19)+104=104 \\
& \quad \text { smear }=0 \oplus \text { initkey }\left[11111111_{2} \& 0\right] \cdot 19=\text { initkey }[0] \cdot 19=0 * 19=0 \\
& \quad j=1 \\
& \text { while }(1<3) \\
& \quad \text { key }[1]=11111111_{2} \&((0 \oplus(\text { initkey }[1] \cdot 19)+\text { ASCII }(\text { stringseed }(y)))) \\
& \quad \text { key }[1]=11111111_{2} \&\left(\left(0 \oplus(0 \cdot 19)+121=11111111_{2} \& 121=121\right.\right. \\
& \text { smear }=0 \oplus(\text { initkey }[1] \cdot 19)=0 \oplus(0 * 19)=0 \\
& \quad j=2
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\text { while }(2<3)
$$

$$
\operatorname{key}[2]=11111111_{2} \&((0 \oplus(\text { initkey }[2] \cdot 19)+A S C I I(\operatorname{stringseed}(t))))
$$

$$
\operatorname{key}[2]=11111111_{2} \&\left(\left(0 \oplus(0 \cdot 19)+116=11111111_{2} \& 116=116\right.\right.
$$

$$
\text { smear }=0
$$

$$
j=3
$$

retun key $=[104,121,116]$
To generate the random numbers that influence the characters and so that the Password Part Public and Password Part Private the function Math.seedrandom is called without any seed or entropy, it means Math.seeedrandom(). Random numbers are generated because entropy is introduced in autoseed() to generate the keys and then these are used in RC 4 algorithm to provide the S-Boxes which enable to calculate random numbers through RC4 RNG.

## Conversion to Base64

The ASCII code has a Base256 because each character is defined by 8 bits. Each character in a Base 64 must be defined with 6 bits.

To convert the text in ASCII to Base64, the text is written in binary and then groups of 6 bits are formed, the groups are substituted by letters using Table 3.2. An example with the word Sun is shown:

$$
\begin{gathered}
S=83_{10}=01010011_{2} \\
u=117_{10}=01110101_{2} \\
n=110_{10}=01101110_{2} \\
\text { Sun }=010100110111010101101110_{2}=\underbrace{010100}_{20_{10}} \underbrace{110111}_{55_{10}} \underbrace{010101}_{21_{10}} \underbrace{101110}_{46_{10}} \\
\text { Sun }_{\text {Base } 256}=U 3 V u_{\text {Base } 64}
\end{gathered}
$$

When the number of characters in Base256 is not a multiple of 3, padding with the symbol $=$ is required but in the case of password.link the strings have 18 characters and as 18 is a multiple of 3 any padding is required.

| Number | Character | Number | Character |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | A | 32 | $g$ |
| 1 | $B$ | 33 | $h$ |
| 2 | C | 34 | $i$ |
| 3 | D | 35 | $j$ |
| 4 | E | 36 | $k$ |
| 5 | $F$ | 37 | $l$ |
| 6 | $G$ | 38 | $m$ |
| 7 | H | 39 | $n$ |
| 8 | I | 40 | $o$ |
| 9 | $J$ | 41 | $p$ |
| 10 | K | 42 | $q$ |
| 11 | $L$ | 43 | $r$ |
| 12 | M | 44 | $s$ |
| 13 | $N$ | 45 | $t$ |
| 14 | O | 46 | $u$ |
| 15 | $P$ | 47 | $v$ |
| 16 | $Q$ | 48 | $w$ |
| 17 | $R$ | 49 | $x$ |
| 18 | $S$ | 50 | $y$ |
| 19 | T | 51 | $z$ |
| 20 | U | 52 | 0 |
| 21 | V | 53 | 1 |
| 22 | W | 54 | 2 |
| 23 | $X$ | 55 | 3 |
| 24 | $Y$ | 56 | 4 |
| 25 | Z | 57 | 5 |
| 26 | $a$ | 58 | 6 |
| 27 | $b$ | 59 | 7 |
| 28 | c | 60 | 8 |
| 29 | $d$ | 61 | 9 |
| 30 | $e$ | 62 | + |
| 31 | $f$ | 63 | / |

Table 3.2: Equivalence between numbers and characters Base64

### 3.2.2 Encrypt the secret and send the information

Simultaneously to the link generation, the secret is encrypted. The Password Part Public and Password Part Private are used as the initial key. The algorithms to do it are PBKDF, AES 256, GCM and SHA 256. The function to encrypt:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { Ciphertext }_{\text {Base } 64}=\text { Base } 64(\text { Encrypt }(\text { PasswordPartPublic, PasswordPartPrivate, } \\
\text { Secret }, \text { Mode, Cipher, Ks,Iter }))
\end{gathered}
$$

where:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { Mode }=^{\prime} \mathrm{gcm}^{\prime} \\
\text { Cipher }=^{\prime} \text { aes }{ }^{\prime} \\
\text { Ks }=256 \\
\text { Iter }=10000
\end{gathered}
$$

The process is:

1. To concatenate the PasswordPartPublic and PasswordPartPrivate $P W=\operatorname{conc}($ PasswordPartPublic, PasswordPartPrivate) and to convert it to Base64.
2. To generate four random numbers called as $I V$.
3. To generate two random numbers called as Salt.
4. To perform Key $=P B K D F(S H A 256, P W$, Salt, 10000 $)$.
5. To encrypt $C t=A E S 256_{\text {Encrypt }}-G C M($ Key, Secret, $I V)$.
6. To convert to Base64 Ciphertext Base64 $=$ Base64(IV, Iter, Ks, Mode, Cipher, Salt, Ct).
7. To send the Ciphertext Base64 , the PasswordPartPrivateBase64, the SecretID and the message details to Password.link.

The function to generate the random numbers IV and Salt depends on the time since the midnight Jan. 1, 1970, UTC and other parameters with entropy but it has not any security in terms of cryptography.

### 3.2.3 View, decrypt and delete the secret

When a user access to the link, password.link shows the secret and delete all the information about this secret.

1. To get the SecretID and the PasswordPartPublicBase64 from the link.
2. To search for a SecretID match in Password.link.
3. To obtain the PasswordPartPrivateBase64, the Ciphertext $_{\text {Base } 64}$ and the message details from the match in Password Link.
4. To delete the information related with this secret which was stored in Password Link.
5. To invert the Base64 transformation to obtain PasswordPartPublic, PasswordPartPrivate and Ciphertext $=I V$, Iter, Ks, Mode, Cipher, Salt, Ct.
6. Concatenate the PasswordPartPublic and PasswordPartPrivate
$P W=\operatorname{conc}($ PasswordPartPublic, PasswordPartPrivate) .
7. Perform Key $=P B K D F(S H A 256, P W$, Salt, 10000) .
8. Finally the Secret $=A E S 256_{\text {Decrypt }}-G C M($ Key, Ct, IV $)$.
9. Show the Secret with the message details.

Note that for decryption both, Password Part Public and Password Part Private are needed. The user sent the Password Part Private and it guarantees that Password.link can not decrypt the secret until the user access to the link.

| Chipertext Base64 |
| :---: |
| eyJpdiI6IitxQlJ4TkdRUEIvOXVINGNmVVBVZ2c9PSIsInYiOjEsIml0Z |
| XIiOjEwMDAwLCJrcyI6MjU2LCJ0cyI6NjQsIm1vZGUiOiJnY20iLCJh |
| ZGF0YSI6IiIsImNpcGhlciI6ImFlcyIsInNhbHQiOiI5TGhNeVpXbXNrT |
| T0iLCJjdCI6IlpTbStxSmxOUHV1eWdHU3MwRFkvY2tqSUsyZIBCaW |
| IvWjBvPSJ9 |

```
Chipertext
{"iv":"+qBRxNGQPB/9ue4cfUPUgg==","v":1,"iter":10000,"ks":256,
"ts":64,"mode":"gcm","adata":" ","cipher":"aes","salt":"9LhMyZWmsk
    M=","ct":"ZSm+qJlNPuuygGSs0DY/ckjIK2fPBib/Z0o="}
```


### 3.3 Additional Features

There are two additional features which are an option to personalize the service in order to integrate with other app and a generator of passwords.

### 3.3.1 Personalize the service

Password.link provides all the code use and his API. It enables someone to incorporate this service in his own app and customize the to match his brand. Also, it enables configure notifications when the secret has been viewed.

### 3.3.2 Generator of passwords

It generates strong xkcd-style passwords using EFF's Long Wordlist for words. The user chooses the characters to separate the words, the padding characters and the amount of random words. The process is simple.

Generate strong xkcd-style passwords. Uses EFF's Long Wordlist for words.
!!repayment/eligibly/sizably/flier/glimpse!!

Amount of random words: 5 Word separators: /

Amount of padding characters: 2 Padding characters: !

```
& Generate password 目 Copy to clipboard Copy to clipboard and to delivery field
```

Figure 3.14: Password generation

1. Generate five random numbers. The numbers allowed only can be 1 , $2,3,4,5$ or 6 .
2. Use the EEF's Long Wordlist with the previous numbers. An example of it is the sequence $5,1,4,2,5$ corresponds to the word 'repayment'.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 to come up with the correct number of random words
4. Form the password using the random words, the characters to separate the words and the padding characters.

### 3.4 Conclusion

Password.link offers a service that allows you to send a message through an insecure channel.

First of all, the connection between a user and password.link through internet is secure due to both parties are authenticated and the internet connection satifies all the requirements.

From a cryptographic point of view, the password.link operation is secure but it can be improved replacing RC4 for a safer RNG. The reason because password.link is secure even when it uses RC 4 , which is no recommended, is beacause the whole procces occurs in your own computer and only then Password Part Private is sent to password.link and both passwords are required to decrypt. All the other functions that it uses to encrypt the message can be considered secure until now since there are no known feasible attacks at present. Also, as consequence that all the encryption process is carried out by the user and the user only sends a half of the key password.link will never be able to decrypt the ciphertext unless someone accesses the link.

If someone intercepts the link and opens it, the secret will be revealed. It does not make password.link appropriate to send detailed information about credit cards, router keys, licence keys for games, etc. "

Password.link is an incomplete service since it does not allow sending the link to another user from their own page. That is why the option of integrating this system into other applications is suitable.

Finally, I have to say that having all the code at a single click has been quite useful and that despite being a simply registered user and not having bought any of their subscription plans, all the questions asked through the technical service have been answered the same day and with impeccable precision.

### 3.5 Code

All the code used for understanding how password.link and to perform some simulations is included above. To use it and simulate secret encryption the text must be copied in a text file and edit his format. Once it is done, simulation.html is opened with a navigator, F12 and Console are pressed.

```
Press F12 and then press Console
|* Inspector \ Console D Debugger }\uparrow\downarrow\mathrm{ Network {} Style Editor \ Performance 湆 Memory >
|| \nablaFilter output Errors Warnings Logs Info Debug CSS
    Secret: This is the secret
    Password Part Public: *idpmEL1,V|29d^Ubz
    Password Part Private: K+70A.nl1gx|H&u]M-
    Ciphertext:
    {"iv":"+qBRXNGQPB/9ue4cfuPUgg==","v":1,"iter":10000,"ks":256,"ts":64,"mode":"gcm", "adata":"","cipher":"aes",
    "salt":"9LhMyzwmskM=","ct":"ZSm+qJlNPuuygGSseDY/ckjIK2fPBib/Z00="}
    Ciphertext Base64:
    eyJpdiI6IitXQlJ4TkdRUEIvOXVINGNmVVBVZ2c9PSIsInYiOjEsImleZXIiOjEwMDAwLCJrcyI6MjU2LCJecyI6NjQsIm1vZGUiOiJnY20i
    LCJhZGFOYSI6IIIsImNpcGhlciI6ImFlcyIsInNhbHQiOiI5TGhNeVpXbXNrTT0iLCJjdCI6IlpTbStxSmxOUHV1eWdHU3MwRFkvY2tqSUsy
    ZlBCaWIvWjBvPSJ9
    Secret Decrypted: This is the secret
>
```

Figure 3.15: Example using the code

### 3.5.1 simulation.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<head>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<title> Simulation </title>
<script type="text/javascript" src="simulation.js"></script>
</head>
<body>
```

```
Press F12 and then press Console
</body>
</html>
```


### 3.5.2 simulation.js

```
"use strict";
var sjcl={
    cipher:{},
    hash:{},
    keyexchange:{},
    mode:{},
    misc:{},
    codec:{},
    exception:{
        corrupt:function(a){
            this.toString=function(){
                return"CORRUPT: "+this.message
            };
            this.message=a
        },
        invalid:function(a){
            this.toString=function(){
                return"INVALID: "+this.message
            };
            this.message=a
            },
            bug:function(a){
                    this.toString=function(){
                return"BUG: "+this.message
            };
            this.message=a
        },
        notReady:function(a){
            this.toString=function(){
                return"NOT READY: "+this.message
            };
            this.message=a
        }
```

```
    }
};
sjcl.cipher.aes=function(a){
    this.s[0][0][0]||this.0();
    var b,c,d,e,f=this.s[0][4],g=this.s[1];
    b=a.length;
    var h=1;
    if(4!==b&&6!==b&&8!==b)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("
        invalid aes key size");
    this.b=[d=a.slice(0),e=[]];
    for(a=b;a<4*b+28;a++){
        c=d[a-1];
        if (0===a%b||===b&&4===a%b)c=f[c>>>24]<<<24^f[c
        >>16&255]<<16^f[c>>8&255]<<8^f[c&255],0===a%b&&(c=c<<8^c
        >>>24^h<<24,h=h<<1^283*(h>>7));
        d[a]=d[a-b] c
    }
    for(b=0;a;b++,a--)c=d[b&3?a:a-4],e[b]=4>=a||4>b?c:g[0][f[c
        >>>24]]^g[1][f[c>>16&255]]^g[2][f[c>>8&255]]^g[3][f[c
        &255]]
};
sjcl.cipher.aes.prototype={
    encrypt:function(a){
        return t(this,a,0)
    },
    decrypt:function(a){
        return t(this,a,1)
    },
    s:[[[],[],[],[],[]],[[],[],[],[],[]]],
    0:function(){
        var a=this.s[0],b=this.s[1],c=a[4],d=b[4],e,f,g,h=[],k
        =[],l,n,m,p;
        for(e=0;0x100>e;e++)k[(h[e]=e<<1^283*(e>>7))^e]=e;
        for(f=g=0;!c[f];f^=l||1,g=k[g]||1)for(m=g^g<<1^g<<2^g<<3^
        g<<4,m=m>>8^m&255^99,c[f]=m,d[m]=f,n=h[e=h[l=h[f]]],p=0
        x1010101*n^0x10001*e^0x101*l^0x1010100*f,n=0x101*h[m] 0
        x1010100*m,e=0;4>e;e++)a[e][f]=n=n<<24^n>>>8,b[e][m]=p=p
        <<24^p>>>8;
        for(e=0;5>e;e++)a[e]=a[e].slice(0),b[e]=b[e].slice(0)
    }
};
function t(a,b,c){
```

```
    if(4!==b.length)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("invalid
        aes block size");
    var d=a.b[c],e=b[0]^d[0],f=b[c?3:1]^d[1],g=b[2]~d[2];
    b=b[c?1:3]^d[3];
    var h,k,l,n=d.length/4-2,m,p=4,r=[0,0,0,0];
    h=a.s[c];
    a=h[0];
    var q=h[1],v=h[2],w=h[3],x=h[4];
    for(m=0;m<n;m++)h=a[e>>>24]~q[f>>16&255]~v[g>>8&255]^w[b
        &255]^d[p],k=a[f>>>24]^q[g>>16&255]^v[b>>8&255]^w[e&255]^d
        [p+1],l=a[g>>>24]^q[b>>16&255]^v[e>>8&255]^w[f&255]^d[p
        +2], b=a[b>>>24]^q[e>>16&255]^v[f>>8&255]^w[g&255]^d[p+3],p
        +=4,e=h,f=k,g=l;
    for (m=0;4>m;m++)r[c?3&-m:m]=x[e>>>24]<<24^x[f>>16&255]<< 16-
        x[g>>8&255]<<<8^x[b&255]^d[p++],h=e,e=f,f=g,g=b,b=h;
    return r
}
sjcl.bitArray={
    bitSlice:function(a,b,c){
        a=sjcl.bitArray.$(a.slice(b/32),32-(b&31)).slice(1);
        return void 0===c?a:sjcl.bitArray.clamp(a,c-b)
    },
    extract:function(a,b,c){
        var d=Math.floor(-b-c&31);
        return((b+c-1^b)&-32?a[b/32|0]<<<32-d^a[b/32+1|0]>>> d:a [b
        /32|0] >>>d)&(1<<c)-1
    },
    concat:function(a,b){
        if(0===a.length|| |===b.length)return a.concat(b);
        var c=a[a.length-1],d=sjcl.bitArray.getPartial(c);
        return 32=== d?a.concat(b):sjcl.bitArray.$(b,d,c|0,a.slice
        (0,a.length-1))
    },
    bitLength:function(a){
        var b=a.length;
        return 0===b?0:32*(b-1)+sjcl.bitArray.getPartial(a[b-1])
    },
    clamp:function(a,b){
    if(32*a.length<b)return a;
    a=a.slice(0,Math.ceil(b/32));
    var c=a.length;
    b=b&31;
    0<c&&b&&(a[c-1]=sjcl.bitArray.partial(b,a[c
    -1]&2147483648>>b-1,1));
```

```
        return a
    },
    partial:function(a,b,c){
        return 32===a?b:(c?b|0:b<<32-a)+0x10000000000*a
    },
    getPartial:function(a){
        return Math.round(a/0x10000000000)||32
    },
    equal:function(a,b){
        if(sjcl.bitArray.bitLength(a)!==sjcl.bitArray.bitLength(b
        ))return!1;
        var c=0,d;
        for(d=0;d<a.length;d++)cl=a[d]^b[d];
        return 0===c
    },
    $:function(a,b,c,d){
        var e;
        e=0;
        for(void 0=== d&&(d=[]); 32<=b;b-=32)d.push(c), c=0;
        if (0===b) return d.concat(a);
        for(e=0;e<a.length;e++)d.push(c|a[e]>>>b), c=a[e]<<<32-b;
        e=a.length?a[a.length - 1]:0;
        a=sjcl.bitArray.getPartial(e);
        d.push(sjcl.bitArray.partial(b+a&31,32<b+a?c:d.pop(),1));
        return d
    },
    i:function(a,b){
        return[a[0]^b[0],a[1]^b[1],a[2]^b[2],a[3]^b[3]]
    },
    byteswapM:function(a){
        var b,c;
        for(b=0;b<a.length;++b)c=a[b],a[b]=c>>>24|c>>>8&0xff00|(c
        &0xff00)<<8| c<<<24;
        return a
    }
};
sjcl.codec.utf8String={
    fromBits:function(a){
        var b="",c=sjcl.bitArray.bitLength(a),d,e;
        for(d=0;d<c/8;d++) 0===(d&3) && (e=a[d/4]),b+=String.
        fromCharCode(e>>>8>>>8>>>8),e<<=8;
        return decodeURIComponent(escape(b))
    },
    toBits:function(a){
```

```
        a=unescape(encodeURIComponent(a));
        var b=[],c,d=0;
        for(c=0;c<a.length;c++)d=d<<<8|a.charCodeAt (c), 3===(c&3)
        &&(b.push(d), d=0);
        c&3&&b.push(sjcl.bitArray.partial(8*(c&3),d));
        return b
    }
};
sjcl.codec.base64={
    B:"
        ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZabcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz0123456789
        +/",
    fromBits:function(a,b,c){
            var d="",e=0,f=sjcl.codec.base64.B,g=0,h=sjcl.bitArray.
        bitLength(a);
            c&&(f=f.substr (0,62)+" - _");
            for(c=0;6*d.length<h;)d+=f.charAt ((g^a[c]>>>e) >>>26),6>e
        ?(g=a[c]<<6-e, e+=26, c++):(g<<=6,e-=6);
            for(;d.length&3&&!b;)d+="="; return d
    },
    toBits:function(a,b){
        a=a.replace(/\s|=/g,"");
        var c=[],d,e=0,f=sjcl.codec.base64.B,g=0,h;
        b&&(f=f.substr (0,62)+"-_");
        for(d=0;d<a.length;d++){
            h=f.index0f(a.charAt (d));
            if(0>h)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("this isn't
        base64!");
                26<e?(e-=26,c.push(g^h>>>e),g=h<<<32-e):(e+=6, g^=h<<<32-e
        )
            }
            e&56&&c.push(sjcl.bitArray.partial(e&56,g,1));
            return c
    }
};
sjcl.codec.base64url={
    fromBits:function(a){
        return sjcl.codec.base64.fromBits(a,1,1)
    },
    toBits:function(a){
        return sjcl.codec.base64.toBits(a,1)
    }
};
```

```
sjcl.hash.sha256=function(a){
    this.b[0]||this.0();
    a?(this.F=a.F.slice(0),this.A=a.A.slice(0),this.l=a.l):this
        .reset()
};
sjcl.hash.sha256.hash=function(a){
    return(new sjcl.hash.sha256).update(a).finalize()
};
sjcl.hash.sha256.prototype={
    blockSize:512,reset:function(){
        this.F=this.Y.slice(0);
        this.A=[];
        this.l=O;return this
    },
    update:function(a){
        "string"===typeof a&&(a=sjcl.codec.utf8String.toBits(a));
        var b,c=this.A=sjcl.bitArray.concat(this.A,a);
        b=this.l;
        a=this.l=b+sjcl.bitArray.bitLength(a);
        if(0x1fffffffffffff<a)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("
        Cannot hash more than 2^53 - 1 bits");
        if("undefined"!==typeof Uint32Array){
            var d=new Uint32Array(c),e=0;
            for (b=512+b-(512+b&0x1ff); b<=a;b+=512)u(this,d.subarray
        (16*e,16*(e+1))),e+=1;
            c.splice(0,16*e)
        }
        else for(b=512+b-(512+b&0x1ff);b<=a;b+=512)u(this,c.
        splice(0,16));
        return this
    },
    finalize:function(){
        var a,b=this.A,c=this.F,b=sjcl.bitArray.concat(b,[sjcl.
        bitArray.partial (1,1)]);
        for(a=b.length+2;a&15;a++)b.push(0);
        b.push(Math.floor(this.l/0x100000000));
        for(b.push(this.l|0);b.length;)u(this,b.splice(0,16));
        this.reset();
        return c
    },
    Y: [],
    b:[],
```

```
    0:function(){
        function a(a){
            return 0x100000000*(a-Math.floor(a))|0
        }
        for(var b=0,c=2,d,e;64>b;c++){
            e=!0;
            for(d=2; d*d<= c; d++)
            if (0===c%d){
            e=!1;break
        }
        e&&(8>b&&(this.Y[b]=a(Math.pow(c,.5))),this.b[b]=a(Math.
        pow(c,1/3)),b++)
    }
}
};
function u(a,b){
var c,d,e,f=a.F,g=a.b,h=f[0], k=f[1],l=f[2],n=f[3],m=f[4],p=f
    [5], r=f[6],q=f[7];
for(c=0;64>c;c++) 16>c?d=b[c]:(d=b[c+1&15],e=b[c+14&15], d=b[c
    &15]=(d>>>7^d>>>18^d>>>3^d<<25^d<<<14)+(e>>>17^e>>>19^e
    >>>10^e<< 15^e<<<13)+b[c&15]+b[c+9&15]|0),d=d+q+(m>>> ' [ m m
    >>>11^m>>>25^m<<26^m<<21^m<< %)+(r^m&(p^r))+g[c], q=r,r=p,p=
    m,m=n+d|O,n=l,l=k,k=h,h=d+(k&l^n&(k^l))+(k>>>2^k>>>13^k
    >>>22^k<<30^k<< 19^k<<10)|0;
f[0]=f[0]+hl0;
f[1]=f[1]+k|0;
f[2]=f[2]+l|0;
f[3]=f[3]+n|0;
f[4]=f[4]+m|0;
f[5]=f[5]+pl0;
f[6]=f[6]+r|0;
f[7] =f[7]+q|0
}
sjcl.mode.gcm={
name:"gcm",
encrypt:function(a,b,c,d,e){
    var f=b.slice(0);
    b=sjcl.bitArray;
    d=d||[];
    a=sjcl.mode.gcm.C(!0,a,f,d,c,e||128);
    return b.concat(a.data,a.tag)
},
decrypt:function(a,b,c,d,e){
```

```
    var f=b.slice(0),g=sjcl.bitArray,h=g.bitLength(f);
    e=e||128;
    d=d||[];
    e<=h?(b=g.bitSlice(f,h-e),f=g.bitSlice(f,0,h-e)):(b=f,f=[])
        ;
    a=sjcl.mode.gcm.C(!1,a,f,d,c,e);
    if(!g.equal(a.tag,b))throw new sjcl.exception.corrupt("gcm:
        tag doesn't match");
    return a.data
},
ka:function(a,b){
    var c,d,e,f,g,h=sjcl.bitArray.i;
    e=[0,0,0,0];
    f=b.slice(0);
    for(c=0;128>c;c++){
        (d=0!==(a[Math.floor(c/32)]&1<<<31-c%32))&&(e=h(e,f));
        g=0!==(f[3]&1);
        for(d=3;0<d;d--)f[d]=f[d]>>>1|(f[d-1]&1)<<<31;
        f[0] >>>=1;
        g&&(f[0] ~= - 0 x1f000000)
    }
    return e
},
j:function(a,b,c){
    var d,e=c.length;
    b=b.slice(0);
    for(d=0;d<e;d+=4)b[0]^=0xffffffff&c[d],b[1] = = xfffffffff&&c[d
        +1],b[2]^=0 xffffffff&c[d+2],b[3]^=0xffffffff&c[d+3],b=sjcl
        .mode.gcm.ka(b,a);
    return b
},
C:function(a,b,c,d,e,f){
    var g,h,k,l,n,m,p,r,q=sjcl.bitArray;
    m=c.length;
    p=q.bitLength(c);
    r=q.bitLength(d);
    h=q.bitLength(e);
    g=b.encrypt([0,0,0,0]);
    96===h?(e=e.slice (0),e=q.concat (e,[1])):(e=sjcl.mode.gcm.j(
        g,[0,0,0,0],e),e=sjcl.mode.gcm.j(g,e,[0,0,Math.floor(h/0
        x100000000),h&0xfffffffff));
    h=sjcl.mode.gcm.j(g, [0,0,0,0],d);
    n=e.slice(0);
    d=h.slice(0);
    a||(d=sjcl.mode.gcm.j(g,h,c));
```

```
    for(l=0;l<m;l+=4)n[3]++,k=b.encrypt(n),c[l] = k[0],c[l+1]^=k
        [1], c[l+2]^=k[2], c[l+3]^=k[3];
    c=q.clamp (c,p);
    a&&(d=sjcl.mode.gcm.j(g,h,c));
    a=[Math.floor(r/0x100000000),r&0xfffffffff,Math.floor(p/0
        x100000000),p&0xffffffffl];
    d=sjcl.mode.gcm.j(g,d,a);
    k=b.encrypt(e);
    d[0] ^=k[0];
    d[1] ^=k[1];
    d[2] ^ = k[2];
    d[3] ^=k[3];
    return{tag:q.bitSlice(d,0,f),data:c}
}
};
sjcl.misc.hmac=function(a,b){
this.W=b=b||sjcl.hash.sha256;
var c=[[],[]],d,e=b.prototype.blockSize/32;
this.w=[new b,new b];
a.length>e&&(a=b.hash(a));
for(d=0;d<e;d++)c[0][d]=a[d] 909522486,c[1][d]=a[d
    ] 1549556828;
this.w[0].update(c[0]);
this.w[1].update(c[1]);
this.R=new b(this.w[0])
};
sjcl.misc.hmac.prototype.encrypt=sjcl.misc.hmac.prototype.mac
    =function(a){
if(this.aa)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("encrypt on
    already updated hmac called!");
this.update(a);
return this.digest(a)
};
sjcl.misc.hmac.prototype.reset=function(){this.R=new this.W(
    this.w[0]); this.aa=!1};
sjcl.misc.hmac.prototype.update=function(a){this.aa=!0;this.R
        .update(a)};
sjcl.misc.hmac.prototype.digest=function(){var a=this.R.
        finalize(), a=(new this.W(this.w[1])).update(a).finalize();
        this.reset();return a};
```

```
sjcl.misc.pbkdf2=function(a,b,c,d,e){
c=c||1E4;
if(0>d||0>c)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("invalid params
    to pbkdf2");
"string"===typeof a&&(a=sjcl.codec.utf8String.toBits(a));
"string"===typeof b&&(b=sjcl.codec.utf8String.toBits(b));
e=e||sjcl.misc.hmac;
a=new e(a);
var f,g,h,k,l=[],n=sjcl.bitArray;
for(k=1;32*l.length<(d|| ) ;k++){
    e=f=a.encrypt(n.concat(b,[k]));
    for(g=1;g<c;g++) for(f=a.encrypt(f),h=0;h<f.length;h++)e[h
        ] - =f [h];
    l=1.concat(e)
}
d&&(l=n.clamp(l,d));
return l
};
sjcl.prng=function(a){
this.c=[new sjcl.hash.sha256];
this.m=[0];
this.P=0;
this.H={};
this.N=0;
this.U={};
this.Z=this.f=this.o=this.ha=0;
this.b=[0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0];
this.h=[0,0,0,0];
this.L=void 0;
this.M=a;
this.D=!1;
this.K={progress:{},seeded:{}};
this.u=this.ga=0;
this.I=1;
this.J=2;
this.ca=0 x10000;
this.T=[0,48,64,96,128,192,0\times100, 384,512,768, 1024];
this.da=3E4;
this.ba=80
};
sjcl.prng.prototype={
randomWords:function(a,b){
```

```
    var c=[],d;
    d=this.isReady(b);
    var e;
    if(d===this.u)throw new sjcl.exception.notReady("generator
        isn't seeded");
    if(d&this.J){
        d=!(d&this.I);
        e=[];
        var f=0,g;
        this.Z=e[0]=(new Date).valueOf()+this.da;
        for(g=0;16>g;g++)e.push(0x100000000*Math.random()|0);
        for(g=0;g<this.c.length&&(e=e.concat(this.c[g].finalize()
        ),f+=this.m[g],this.m[g]=0,d||!(this.P&1<<g));g++);
            this.P>=1<<this.c.length&&(this.c.push(new sjcl.hash.
        sha256),this.m.push(0));
        this.f-=f;f>this.o&&(this.o=f);
        this.P++;
        this.b=sjcl.hash.sha256.hash(this.b.concat(e));
        this.L=new sjcl.cipher.aes(this.b);
        for(d=0;4>d&&(this.h[d]=this.h[d]+1|0,!this.h[d]);d++);
    }
    for(d=0;d<a;d+=4) 0===(d+1)%this.ca&&y(this),e=z(this), c.
        push(e[0],e[1],e[2],e[3]);
    y(this);
    return c.slice(0,a)
},
setDefaultParanoia:function(a,b){
    if(0===a&&"Setting paranoia=0 will ruin your security; use
        it only for testing"!==b)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid
        ("Setting paranoia=0 will ruin your security; use it only
        for testing");
    this.M=a
},
addEntropy:function(a,b,c){
    c=c||"user";
    var d,e,f=(new Date).valueOf(),g=this.H[c],h=this.isReady()
        ,k=0;
    d=this.U[c];
    void 0=== d&&(d=this.U[c]=this.ha++);
    void 0===g&&(g=this.H[c]=0);
    this.H[c]=(this.H[c]+1)%this.c.length;
    switch(typeof a){
        case "number":void 0=== b&&(b=1);
        this.c[g].update([d,this.N++,1,b,f,1,a|0]);
        break;
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        case "object":c=Object.prototype.toString.call(a);
        if("[object Uint32Array]"===c){
            e=[];
            for(c=0;c<a.length;c++)e.push(a[c]);a=e
        }
        else for("[object Array]"!==c&&(k=1), c=0;c<a.length&&!k;c
        ++)"number"!==typeof a[c]&&(k=1);
        if(!k){
            if(void 0===b) for(c=b=0;c<a.length;c++) for(e=a[c];0<e;)
        b++,e=e>>>1;
            this.c[g].update([d,this.N++,2,b,f,a.length].concat(a))
        }
        break;
        case "string":void 0===b&&(b=a.length);
        this.c[g].update([d,this.N++,3,b,f,a.length]);
        this.c[g].update(a);
        break;
        default:k=1
    }
    if(k)throw new sjcl.exception.bug("random: addEntropy only
        supports number, array of numbers or string");
    this.m[g]+=b;
    this.f+=b;
    h===this.u&&(this.isReady()!==this.u&&A("seeded",Math.max(
        this.o,this.f)),A(" progress",this.getProgress()))
},
isReady:function(a){
    a=this.T[void 0!==a?a:this.M];
    return this.o&&this.o>=a?this.m[0]>this.ba&&(new Date).
        valueOf()>this.Z?this.J|this.I:this.I:this.f>=a?this.J|
        this.u:this.u
},
getProgress:function(a){
    a=this.T[a?a:this.M];
    return this.o>=a?1:this.f>a?1:this.f/a
},
startCollectors:function(){
    if(!this.D){
        this.a={
            loadTimeCollector:B(this,this.ma),mouseCollector:B(this
        ,this.oa), keyboardCollector:B(this,this.la),
        accelerometerCollector:B(this,this.ea), touchCollector:B(
        this,this.qa)};
            if(window.addEventListener)window.addEventListener("load
        ",this.a.loadTimeCollector,!1),window.addEventListener("
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    mousemove",this.a.mouseCollector,!1),window.
    addEventListener("keypress",this.a.keyboardCollector,!1),
    window.addEventListener("devicemotion",this.a.
    accelerometerCollector,!1),window.addEventListener("
    touchmove",this.a.touchCollector,!1);
        else if(document.attachEvent)document.attachEvent("onload
    ",this.a.loadTimeCollector), document.attachEvent("
    onmousemove",this.a.mouseCollector), document.attachEvent("
    keypress",this.a.keyboardCollector);
        else throw new sjcl.exception.bug("can't attach event");
        this.D=!0
    }
},
stopCollectors:function(){
    this.D&&(window.removeEventListener?(window.
        removeEventListener("load",this.a.loadTimeCollector,!1),
        window.removeEventListener("mousemove",this.a.
        mouseCollector,!1),window.removeEventListener("keypress",
        this.a.keyboardCollector,!1),window.removeEventListener("
        devicemotion",this.a.accelerometerCollector,!1),window.
        removeEventListener("touchmove",this.a.touchCollector,!1))
        :document.detachEvent&&(document.detachEvent("onload",this
        .a.loadTimeCollector), document.detachEvent("onmousemove",
        this.a.mouseCollector), document.detachEvent("keypress",
        this.a.keyboardCollector)), this.D=!1)
},
addEventListener:function(a,b){
    this.K[a][this.ga++]=b
},
removeEventListener:function(a,b){
    var c,d,e=this.K[a],f=[];
    for(d in e)e.has0wnProperty(d)&&e[d]===b&&f.push(d);
    for(c=0;c<f.length;c++)d=f[c],delete e[d]
},
la:function(){C(this,1)},
oa:function(a){
    var b,c;
    try{
        b=a.x||a.clientX||a.offsetX||O,c=a.y||a.clientY||a.
        offsetY||O
    }
    catch(d){
        c=b=0
    }
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    0!=b&&0!=c&&this.addEntropy([b,c],2,"mouse");
    C(this,0)
},
qa:function(a){
    a=a.touches[0]||a.changedTouches [0];
    this.addEntropy([a.pageX||a.clientX,a.pageY||a.clientY],1,"
        touch");
    C(this,0)
},
ma:function(){C(this,2)},
ea:function(a){
    a=a.accelerationIncludingGravity.x||a.
        accelerationIncludingGravity.y||a.
        accelerationIncludingGravity.z;
    if(window.orientation){
        var b=window.orientation;"number"===typeof b&&this.
        addEntropy(b,1,"accelerometer")
    }
    a&&this.addEntropy(a,2," accelerometer");
    C(this,0)
}
};
function A(a,b){
var c,d=sjcl.random.K[a],e=[];
for(c in d)d.hasOwnProperty(c)&&e.push(d[c]);
for(c=0;c<e.length;c++)e[c](b)
}
function C(a,b){
"undefined"!==typeof window&&window.performance&&"function
        "===typeof window.performance.now?a.addEntropy(window.
        performance.now(),b,"loadtime"):a.addEntropy((new Date).
        valueOf(),b,"loadtime")
}
function y(a){
a.b=z(a).concat (z(a));
a.L=new sjcl.cipher.aes(a.b)
}
function z(a){
for(var b=0;4>b&&(a.h[b]=a.h[b]+1|0,!a.h[b]);b++);
return a.L.encrypt(a.h)
}
```

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function B(a,b){
return function(){
    b.apply(a, arguments)
}
}
sjcl.random=new sjcl.prng(6);
a: try{
var D,E,F,G;
if(G="undefined"!==typeof module&&module.exports){
    var H;
    try{
        H=require("crypto")
    }
    catch(a){
            H=null
    }
    G=E=H
}
if(G&&E.randomBytes)D=E.randomBytes(128),D=new Uint32Array((
        new Uint8Array(D)).buffer),sjcl.random.addEntropy(D,1024,"
        crypto['randomBytes']");
else if("undefined"!==typeof window&&"undefined"!==typeof
        Uint32Array){
    F=new Uint32Array(32);
    if(window.crypto&&window.crypto.getRandomValues)window.
        crypto.getRandomValues(F);
    else if(window.msCrypto&&window.msCrypto.getRandomValues)
        window.msCrypto.getRandomValues(F);
    else break a;
    sjcl.random.addEntropy(F,1024,"crypto['getRandomValues']")
}
}
catch(a){
"undefined"!==typeof window&&window.console&&(console.log("
        There was an error collecting entropy from the browser:"),
        console.log(a))
}
sjcl.json={
defaults:{
    v:1,iter:1E4,ks:128,ts:64,mode:"ccm",adata:"", cipher:"aes"
},
```

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ja:function(a,b,c,d){
    c=c||{};
    d=d||{};
    var e=sjcl.json,f=e.g({iv:sjcl.random.randomWords(4,0)},e.
        defaults),g;
    e.g(f,c);
    c=f.adata;
    "string"===typeof f.salt&&(f.salt=sjcl.codec.base64.toBits(
        f.salt));
    "string"===typeof f.iv&&(f.iv=sjcl.codec.base64.toBits(f.iv
        ));
    if(!sjcl.mode[f.mode]||!sjcl.cipher[f.cipher]||"string"===
        typeof a&&100>=f.iter||64!==f.ts&&96!== f.ts&&128!==f.ts
        ||128!==f.ks&&192!==f.ks&&0x100!==f.ks||2>f.iv.length||<f
        .iv.length)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("json encrypt:
        invalid parameters");
    "string"=== typeof a?(g=sjcl.misc.cachedPbkdf2(a,f),a=g.key.
        slice(0,f.ks/32),f.salt=g.salt):sjcl.ecc&&a instanceof
        sjcl.ecc.elGamal.publicKey&&(g=a.kem(),f.kemtag=g.tag,a=g.
        key.slice(0,f.ks/32));
    "string"===typeof b&&(b=sjcl.codec.utf8String.toBits(b));
    "string"===typeof c&&(f.adata=c=sjcl.codec.utf8String.
        toBits(c));
    g=new sjcl.cipher[f.cipher](a);
    e.g(d,f);
    d.key=a;
    f.ct="ccm"===f.mode&&sjcl.arrayBuffer&&sjcl.arrayBuffer.ccm
        &&b instanceof ArrayBuffer?sjcl.arrayBuffer.ccm.encrypt(g,
        b,f.iv,c,f.ts):sjcl.mode[f.mode].encrypt(g,b,f.iv,c,f.ts);
    return f
},
encrypt:function(a,b,c,d){
    var e=sjcl.json,f=e.ja.apply(e,arguments);
    return e.encode(f)
},
ia:function(a,b,c,d){
    c=c||{};
    d=d||{};
    var e=sjcl.json;
    b=e.g(e.g(e.g({},e.defaults),b), c,!0);
    var f,g;
    f=b.adata;
    "string"===typeof b.salt&&(b.salt=sjcl.codec.base64.toBits(
        b.salt));
    "string"===typeof b.iv&&(b.iv=sjcl.codec.base64.toBits(b.iv
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        ));
    if(!sjcl.mode[b.mode]||!sjcl.cipher[b.cipher]||"string"===
        typeof a&&100>=b.iter||64!==b.ts&&96!==b.ts&&128!==b.ts
        ||128!==b.ks&&192!==b.ks&&0x100!==b.ks||!b.iv||2>b.iv.
        length||4<b.iv.length)throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("
        json decrypt: invalid parameters");
    "string"===typeof a?(g=sjcl.misc.cachedPbkdf2(a,b),a=g.key.
        slice(0,b.ks/32),b.salt=g.salt):sjcl.ecc&&a instanceof
        sjcl.ecc.elGamal.secretKey&&(a=a.unkem(sjcl.codec.base64.
        toBits(b.kemtag)).slice(0,b.ks/32));
    "string"===typeof f&&(f=sjcl.codec.utf8String.toBits(f));
    g=new sjcl.cipher[b.cipher](a);
    f="ccm"===b.mode&&sjcl.arrayBuffer&&sjcl.arrayBuffer.ccm&&b
        .ct instanceof ArrayBuffer?sjcl.arrayBuffer.ccm.decrypt(g,
        b.ct,b.iv,b.tag,f,b.ts):sjcl.mode[b.mode].decrypt(g,b.ct,b
        .iv,f,b.ts);
    e.g(d,b);
    d.key=a;
    return 1===c.raw?f:sjcl.codec.utf8String.fromBits(f)
},
decrypt:function(a,b,c,d){
    var e=sjcl.json;
    return e.ia(a,e.decode(b),c,d)
},
encode:function(a){
    var b,c="{",d="";
        for(b in a)if(a.hasOwnProperty(b)){
            if(!b.match(/~[a-z0-9]+$/i))throw new sjcl.exception.
        invalid("json encode: invalid property name");
            c+=d+'"'+b+'":';
            d=",";
            switch(typeof a[b]){
                    case "number":case "boolean":c+=a[b];
                    break;
                    case "string":c+='"'+escape(a[b])+'"';
                    break;
                    case "object":c+='"'+sjcl.codec.base64.fromBits(a[b
        ],0)+'"';
                    break;
                    default:throw new sjcl.exception.bug("json encode:
        unsupported type");
            }
        }
        return c+"}"
},
```

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decode:function(a){
    a=a.replace(/\s/g,"");
    if(!a.match(/~\{.*\}$/))throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("
        json decode: this isn't json!");
    a=a.replace(/^\{|\}$/g,"").split(/,/);
    var b={},c,d;
    for(c=0;c<a.length;c++){
        if(!(d=a[c].match(/~\s*(?:([")]?)([a-z][a-z0-9]*)\1)\s*:\
        s*(?:(-?\d+)|"([a-z0-9+\/%*_.@=\-]*)"|(true|false))$/i)))
        throw new sjcl.exception.invalid("json decode: this isn't
        json!");
            null!=d[3]?b[d[2]]=parseInt(d[3], 10): null!=d[4]?b[d[2]]=d
        [2].match(/~(ct|adata|salt|iv)$/)?sjcl.codec.base64.toBits
        (d[4]):unescape (d [4]): null!=d[5]&&(b[d[2]]="true"=== d [5])
    }
    return b
},
g: function(a,b,c){
    void 0===a&&(a={});
    if(void 0===b)return a;
    for(var d in b)if(b.hasOwnProperty(d)){
        if(c&&void 0!==a[d]&&a[d]!==b[d])throw new sjcl.exception
        .invalid("required parameter overridden");
        a[d]=b[d]
    }
    return a
},
sa:function(a,b){
    var c={},d;
    for(d in a)a.hasOwnProperty(d)&&a[d]!==b[d]&&(c[d]=a[d]);
    return c
},
ra:function(a,b){
    var c={},d;
    for(d=0;d<b.length;d++)void 0!==a[b[d]]&&(c[b[d]]=a[b[d]]);
    return c
}
};
sjcl.encrypt=sjcl.json.encrypt;
sjcl.decrypt=sjcl.json.decrypt;
sjcl.misc.pa={};
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sjcl.misc.cachedPbkdf2=function(a,b){
var c=sjcl.misc.pa,d;
b=b||{};
d=b.iter||1E3;
c=c[a]=c[a]||{};
d=c[d]=c[d]||{firstSalt:b.salt&&b.salt.length?b.salt.slice(0)
    :sjcl.random.randomWords (2,0)};
c=void 0===b.salt?d.firstSalt:b.salt;
d[c]=d[c]||sjcl.misc.pbkdf2(a,c,b.iter);
return{key:d[c].slice(0),salt:c.slice(0)}
};
"undefined"!==typeof module&&module.exports&&(module.exports=
    sjcl);
"function"===typeof define&&define([],function(){return sjcl
    });
(function (global, pool, math) {
var width = 256,
chunks = 6,
digits = 52,
rngname = 'random',
startdenom = math.pow(width, chunks),
significance = math.pow(2, digits),
overflow = significance * 2,
mask = width - 1,
nodecrypto;
function seedrandom(seed, options, callback) {
    var key = [];
    options = (options == true) ? { entropy: true } : (options
        || {});
    var shortseed = mixkey(flatten(
    options.entropy ? [seed, tostring(pool)] :
    (seed == null) ? autoseed() : seed, 3), key);
    var arc4 = new ARC4(key);
    var prng = function() {
        var n = arc4.g(chunks),
        d = startdenom,
        x = 0;
        while (n < significance) {
            n = (n + x) * width;
            d *= width;
            x = arc4.g(1);
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        }
        while (n >= overflow) {
            n /= 2;
            d /= 2;
            x >>>= 1;
        }
        return (n + x) / d;
    };
    prng.int32 = function() { return arc4.g(4) | 0; }
    prng.quick = function() { return arc4.g(4) / 0x100000000; }
    prng.double = prng;
    mixkey(tostring(arc4.S), pool);
    return (options.pass || callback ||
    function(prng, seed, is_math_call, state) {
        if (state) {
            if (state.S) { copy(state, arc4); }
            prng.state = function() { return copy(arc4, {}); }
        }
        if (is_math_call) { math[rngname] = prng; return seed; }
        else return prng;
    })(
    prng,
    shortseed,
    'global' in options ? options.global : (this == math),
    options.state);
}
function ARC4(key) {
    var t, keylen = key.length,
    me = this, i = 0, j = me.i = me.j = 0, s = me.S = [];
    if (!keylen) { key = [keylen++]; }
    while (i < width) {
        s[i] = i++;
    }
    for (i = 0; i < width; i++) {
        s[i] = s[j = mask & (j + key[i % keylen] + (t = s[i]))];
        s[j] = t;
    }
    (me.g = function(count) {
        var t, r = 0,
        i = me.i, j = me.j, s = me.S;
        while (count--) {
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                t = s[i = mask & (i + 1)];
            r = r * width + s[mask & ((s[i] = s[j = mask & (j + t)
        ]) + (s[j] = t))];
        }
        me.i = i; me.j = j;
        return r;
    })(width);
}
function copy(f, t) {
    t.i = f.i;
    t.j = f.j;
    t.S = f.S.slice();
    return t;
};
function flatten(obj, depth) {
    var result = [], typ = (typeof obj), prop;
    if (depth && typ == 'object') {
        for (prop in obj) {
            try { result.push(flatten(obj[prop], depth - 1)); }
        catch (e) {}
        }
    }
    return (result.length ? result : typ == 'string' ? obj :
        obj + '\0');
}
function mixkey(seed, key) {
    var stringseed = seed + ,,, smear, j = 0;
    while (j < stringseed.length) {
        key[mask & j] =
        mask & ((smear ^= key[mask & j] * 19) + stringseed.
        charCodeAt(j++));
    }
    return tostring(key);
}
function autoseed() {
    try {
        var out;
        if (nodecrypto && (out = nodecrypto.randomBytes)) {
            out = out(width);
        } else {
            out = new Uint8Array(width);
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                (global.crypto || global.msCrypto).getRandomValues(out)
        ;
        }
        return tostring(out);
    } catch (e) {
        var browser = global.navigator,
        plugins = browser && browser.plugins;
        return [+new Date, global, plugins, global.screen,
        tostring(pool)];
    }
}
function tostring(a) {
    return String.fromCharCode.apply(0, a);
}
mixkey(math.random(), pool);
if ((typeof module) == 'object, && module.exports) {
    module.exports = seedrandom;
    try {
        nodecrypto = require('crypto');
    } catch (ex) {}
} else if ((typeof define) == 'function' && define.amd) {
    define(function() { return seedrandom; });
} else {
    math['seed' + rngname] = seedrandom;
}
})(
(typeof self !== 'undefined') ? self : this,
[],
Math
);
function generate_string() {
var len = 18;
var chars = "
    ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZabcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz0123456789$
    |/\!_+,.-?() []{}<>&#^*=@";
Math.seedrandom();
var str = "";
for (var i = 0; i < len; i++) {str += chars.charAt(Math.floor
    (Math.random() * chars.length));
}
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return str;
}
function encrypt_secret(password_part_public,
        password_part_private, secret) {
try {
    var ciphertext_base64 = btoa(sjcl.encrypt(
        password_part_private + password_part_public, secret, { "
        mode": "gcm", "ks": 256, "iter": 10000 }));
    return ciphertext_base64;
}
catch(e) {
    console.log('Error during encryption')
}
}
function decrypt_secret(password_part_public,
        password_part_private, ciphertext) {
try {
    var decrypted_secret = sjcl.decrypt(atob(
        password_part_private) + atob(password_part_public), atob(
        ciphertext));
}
catch(e) {
    console.log('Error during decryption')
}
}
```

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var secret = 'This is the secret,
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var secret = 'This is the secret,
var password_part_public = generate_string();
var password_part_public = generate_string();
var password_part_public_base64 = btoa(password_part_public);
var password_part_public_base64 = btoa(password_part_public);
var password_part_private = generate_string();
var password_part_private = generate_string();
var password_part_private_base64 = btoa(password_part_private
var password_part_private_base64 = btoa(password_part_private
);
);
var ciphertext = encrypt_secret(password_part_public,
password_part_private, secret);
var decrypted_secret = sjcl.decrypt(atob(
password_part_private_base64) + atob(
password_part_public_base64), atob(ciphertext));

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console.log('Secret:',secret)
console.log('Password Part Public:', password_part_public)
console.log('Password Part Private:', password_part_private)
console.log('Ciphertext:', ciphertext)
console.log('Secret Decrypted:',decrypted_secret)

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