



A Review of Some Popular Encryption Techniques

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Abstract— *This review research paper concentrates on the different kinds of encryption techniques that are existing. It also frames all the techniques together as a literature survey. Aim an extensive experimental study of implementations of various available encryption techniques. Also focuses on image encryption techniques, information encryption techniques, double encryption and Chaos-based encryption techniques. This study extends to the performance parameters used in encryption processes and analyzing on their security issues.*

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I. INTRODUCTION

The high growth in the networking technology leads a common culture for interchanging of the digital images very drastically. Hence it is more vulnerable of duplicating of digital image and re-distributed by hackers. Therefore the images has to be protected while transmitting it, Sensitive information like credit cards, banking transactions and social security numbers need to be protected. For this many encryption techniques are existing which are used to avoid the information theft. In recent days of Internet, the encryption of data plays a major role in securing the data in online transmission focuses mainly on its security across the internet. Different encryption techniques are used to protect the confidential data from unauthorized use.

Encryption is a very common technique for promoting the image security. Image encryption, video encryption, chaos based encryption have applications in many fields including the internet communication, multimedia systems, medical imaging, Tele-medicine and military Communication, etc. The evolution of encryption is moving towards a future of endless possibilities. Everyday new methods of encryption techniques are discovered. This paper holds some of those recent existing encryption techniques and their security issues. The performance of all those encryption techniques are studied and discussed in later chapters of the paper.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Evaluating the Effects of Cryptography Algorithms on power consumption for wireless devices has done by D. S. Abdul. Elminaam et.al., (2009) presents a performance evaluation of selected symmetric encryption algorithms on power consumption for wireless devices. Several points can be concluded from the Experimental results. First; in the case of changing packet size with and with out transmission of data using different architectures and different WLANs protocols, it was concluded that Blowfish has better performance than other common encryption algorithms used, followed by RC6. DES and 3DES are known to have worm holes in their security mechanism, Blowfish and AES do not have any so far[6]. Evaluation of Performance Characteristics of Cryptosystem Using Text Files designed by challa Narasimham and Jayaram Pradhan (2008) - They performed the performance comparison for variable sized text files as input. An analysis on computational running times results in significant difference among the methods. He believe in that the performance of DES, especially in decryption method is very high than the alternatives. Despite the key distribution, DES is more suitable to the application, which has the decryption as the highest priority. He has proposed and performed the test cases on the two PKCS methods i.e., RSA and NTRU Though the encryption, decryption and complexity are high in NTRU, the RSA provides the highest security to the business application. He presented all these parameters with computational running times for all the methods, so as to select the appropriate method [7].

Abdel-Karim and his colleague Al Tamimi presented simulation results showed that Blowfish has a better performance than other common encryption algorithms used. Since Blowfish has not any known security weak points so far, which makes it an excellent candidate to be considered as a standard encryption algorithm. AES showed poor performance results compared to other algorithms since it requires more processing power.

P. Prasithsangaree and his colleague P. Krishnamurthy have analyzed the Energy Consumption of RC4 and AES Algorithms in Wireless LANs in the year 2003.They have evaluated the performance of RC4 and AES encryption algorithms. The performance metrics were encryption throughput, CPU work load, energy cost and key size variation. Experiments show that the RC4 is fast and energy efficient for encrypting large packets. However, AES was more efficient than RC4 for a smaller packet size. From the results, it appears that we can save energy by using a combination of RC4 and AES to provide encryption for any packet size. The tradeoffs with security are not completely clear [9].

Comparative Analysis of AES and RC4 Algorithms for Better Utilization has designed by Nidhi Signal, J.P.S.Raina in the year (2011).The performance metrics were throughput, CPU process time, memory utilization, encryption and decryption time and key size variation. Experiments show that the RC4 is fast and energy efficient for encryption and decryption. Based on the analysis done as part of the research, RC4 is better than AES.we compare the encryption time of AES and RC4 algorithm over different packet size. RC4 takes less time to encrypt files w.r.t. AES. In AES, CFB and CBC takes nearly similar time but ECB takes less time then both of these[10].

Efficiency and Security of Some Image Encryption Algorithms Marwa Abd El-Wahed et.al (2008) – worked in this paper, four image encryption algorithms have been studied by means of measuring the encryption quality, the memory requirement, and the execution time of the encryption. In addition, the security analysis of these schemes is investigated from cryptographic viewpoint; statistical and differential attacks. The results are compared, focusing on those portions where each scheme is performed differently. A Comparative Study of Two Symmetric Encryption Algorithms across Different Platforms designed by S.A.M Rizvi1 et.al, All algorithms run faster on Windows XP. The CAST runs slower than AES for text. Blowfish encrypts images most efficiently on all 3 platforms, even CAST runs faster on Windows XP for image data. But on Windows Vista and Windows7, AES and CAST perform at the similar speed .CAST performs better than BLOWFISH and AES on Windows XP for encrypting audio files, but on Windows Vista and Windows7, there is no significant difference in performance of CAST and AES, however BLOWFISH encrypts audio files at less speed for audio files[12].

Throughput Analysis of Various Encryption Algorithms presented by Gurjeevan Singh et al.,(2011)- For experiment a Laptop with 2.20 GHz C.P.U., 4GB RAM Core-2-Dou Processor and Windows 7 Home Premium (32-Bit) is used in which the performance data are collected. In this experiment software encrypts the text file size that ranges from 20 Kb to 99000 Kb. Their implementation is thoroughly tested and is optimized to give the maximum performance for the algorithm. The performance matrices are throughput. The throughput of encryption as well as decryption schemes is calculated but one by one. In the case of Encryption scheme throughput is calculated as the average of total plain text in k bytes divided by the average Encryption time and in the case of Decryption scheme throughput is calculated as the average of total cipher text is divided by the average Decryption time. This work presents the performance evaluation of selected symmetric algorithms. The selected algorithms are AES, 3DES, Blowfish and DES. The presented simulation results show the numerous points. Firstly it was concluded that Blowfish has better performance than other algorithms followed by AES in terms of throughput. Secondly 3DES has least efficient of all the studied algorithms [15].

Shashi Mehrotra Seth and her colleague Rajan Mishra(2011) jointly has done a Comparative Analysis Of Encryption Algorithms For Data Communication. The authors analyse the performance of encryption algorithm is evaluated considering the following parameters like Computation Time, Memory usage and Output Bytes, RSA consume longest encryption time and memory usage is also very high but output byte is least in case of RSA algorithm[17].

Diaa Salama Abd Elminaam et al.,(2010) [18]evaluate the Performance of Symmetric Encryption Algorithms like AES (Rijndael), DES, 3DES, RC2, Blowfish, and RC6. Diaa Salama et.al jointly done a research work in the title “Wireless Network Security Still Has no Clothes ”[19]. The above research work evaluate the performance of most common symmetrical encryption algorithms like AES (Rijndael), DES, 3DES, RC2, Blowfish, and RC6.

Ruangchaijatupon.P and his collogue Krishnamurthy.P (2001)[20] has done a research work on "Encryption and Power Consumption in Wireless LANs”.

III. CONCLUSION

In this paper the existing encryption techniques are studied and analyzed well to promote the performance of the encryption methods also to ensure the security proceedings. To sum up, all the techniques are useful for real-time encryption. Each technique is unique in its own way, which might be suitable for different applications. Everyday new encryption technique is evolving hence fast and secure conventional encryption techniques will always work out with high rate of security.

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