



## Enhancing the Diffie-Hellman Algorithm

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**Abstract**— The Internet is a global system of interconnected computer networks that use the standard Internet protocol suite (TCP/IP) to link several billion devices worldwide. Network consists communication. Communication is the medium for sending and receiving the data between two parties i.e. Sender and receiver but communication needs the security from unauthorized people. Security covers a variety of computer networks that are used in everyday. It secures the network, as well as protecting and overseeing operations being done. For more security, we use Diffie – Hellman algorithm. Diffie–Hellman key exchange is a specific method of exchanging cryptographic keys. The Diffie–Hellman key exchange method permits two parties that have no prior knowledge of each other to jointly establish a shared secret key over an insecure communications channel. In our proposed work, we provide harder encryption with extend public key encryption protocol for security. Our proposed work provides better security and implemented in any network. We have enhanced the hardness of security by DH algorithm. The DH algorithm is improved by adding codes to the algorithm.

**Keywords**— Diffie-Hellman (DH), Bluetooth (BT), Secure Shell (SSH), Public Key(PK), Network(NW), Private(PRVK).

### I. INTRODUCTION

Network security is the authorization of access to data in the network and administrator is managed it. Users are given ID and password or other authenticating information that allows them access to information and programs within their authority. Network security covers different types of computer networks that are used in everyday jobs conducting transactions and communications among government agencies and businesses. Networks are private i.e. within a organization, and others which may be public access. Network security involved in organizations and variety of institutions. It explains: It secures network, protecting and overseeing operation being done. The most common and simple way of protecting the network resource by assigning it a different name and corresponding password

### II. DIFFIE- HELLMAN ALGORITHM

Diffie Hellman (DH) allows two parties to exchange a symmetric secret private key through an insecure wired or wireless channel. Modifying the security of DH means improving the security of the protocols that use DH. DH works under the domain of integer  $Z_n$  where  $n = p$ .  $P$  and  $a$  are the two parameters of DH where  $p$  is a large prime number and  $a$  is a generator selected from the cyclic group  $Z_n$ . Two principals A and B can use the DH algorithm to exchange a symmetric key. The principal A chooses a private value  $a$ , then it chooses a large random prime  $P$  and a generator  $a$ . The PK of A is  $(p, a, a^p)$  and the private key is  $a$ . A sends its public key to B. After receiving A's public key, B chooses its own private key  $b$  and computes its public key  $(p, a, ab)$ . B sends its public key to A. Now A and B computes their symmetric key [1].

Suppose that user A wishes to set up a connection with user B and use a secret key to encrypt messages on that connection. User A generates a private key  $XK$ , calculate  $YK$ , and send this to user B. User B sends the acknowledged by generating a private value  $XL$  calculating  $YL$ , and sending  $YL$  to user A. Both users can then calculate the key. The public values  $q$  and  $\alpha$  ahead of time would need to be known. Alternatively, user A could pick values for  $q$  and  $\alpha$  and include those in the first message.

### III. DH ALGORITHM IN GROUP COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL

There are many approaches that are based on the Diffie Hellman key agreement protocols. The main issue in approach is: the group member's needs synchronization to form parent keys from their two or more child keys. The cost of modular growing is higher than other approaches. If calculation of a member is slow, the key agreement process will be delayed. There are two types of nodes leaf nodes and intermediate nodes. Leaf nodes are asymmetric key in the key tree and for this Diffie- Hellman key agreement protocol is introduced and intermediate node is calculated by assigning codes to it.

### IV. DH ALGORITHM IN LAYER AND SECURE SHELL

DH algorithm involves the confidentiality and integrity. It flows secure data from users end to server side. SSH is program. it is a protocol also . It encrypts the sequence of the data that flows between the connections.

## V. DH ALGORITHM IN BLUETOOTH

BT is a device and technology that transfer the data without any wire. It has a range in which it works. Bluetooth has two types: 1) piconet and 2)scatternet.In piconet, there is a group of devices in which one is master and others are slaves .this is based on master-slave theorem and scatter net is working with group of piconets.communication between these by mater of piconets .Using the Diffie-Hellman algorithm for authentication in Bluetooth devices. This algorithm establishes a shared key and a secure channel is setup between Bluetooth devices and in Bluetooth network.

## VI. METHODOLOGY & ASSUMPTIONS

We have completed the research in following steps to get the set objectives.

*Step 1:* Deep study of the security flaws in network has been done and encryption prospective has taken in account.

*Step 2:* Study of Diffie-Hellman Algorithm to sense the security in key exchange process has be done.

*Step 3:* Study and proposed Algorithm with enhancement have come into shape in form of algorithm.

*Step 4:* After shaping up of proposed algorithm, implementation of proposed algorithm has been tested on C compiler with c language.

*Step 5:* Comparison of enhanced Diffie-Hellman algorithm with classical Diffie-Hellman algorithm using CrypTool.

## VII. PROPOSED ALGORITHM

- 1) inputs g, a and p
  - 2) if argument are less than 3,then error and stop
  - 3)if p is not prime, then stop
- ```
//DH algorithm with g^amod (p)//
4) Dhkey=0
//generate key at sender side//
5)Dhkey=dh1(g, a, p)
//generate key at receiver side//
6)Dhkey=dh2 (g, a, p)
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### Algorithm for Dh1

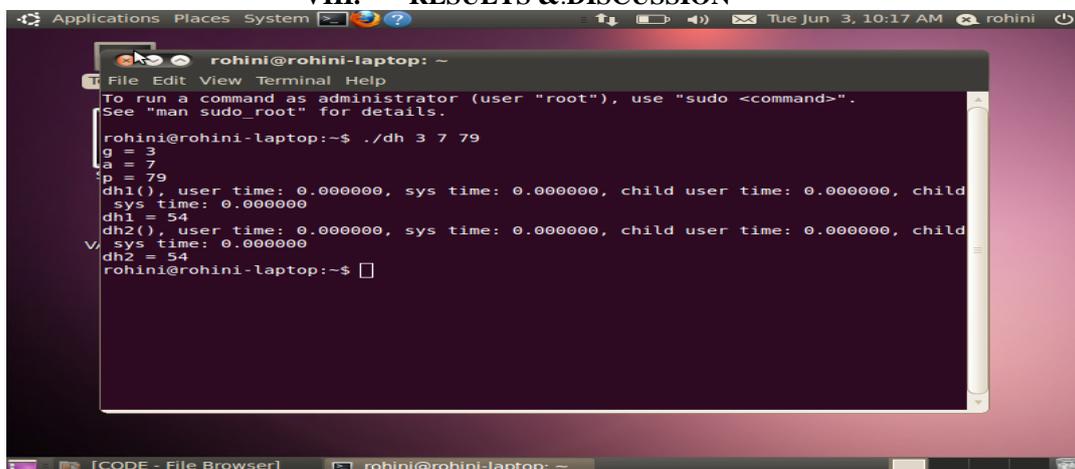
- 1)If a is zero, then stop
  - 2)If a is one, then return g%p
  - 3)Applying  $(a*b)\%c == ((a\%c)*(b\%c))\%c$
- ```
return ((g%p)*(dh1( g, a-1, p)))%p
```

### Algorithm for dh2

- 1)if a is zero, then stop
  - 2)if a is one, return g mod p
  - 3)repeat steps4 two to eight times
  - 4)tmp = (tmp\*z)%p
- ```
return tmp
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We have compared the proposed and classical Diffie-Hellman algorithm by using the CrypTool. We analyse the secret key generated by both classical and proposed Diffie-Hellman algorithm by using various parameters of this tool like entropy, autocorrelation etc. We observe that entropy has been increased and autocorrelation decreases which means we have generated the much more secure key which is difficult to break. As a result we enhance the security in NW and it becomes more difficult to decrypt the PRVK generated by the enhanced Diffie-Hellman algorithm.

## VIII. RESULTS & DISCUSSION



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rohini@rohini-laptop: ~
File Edit View Terminal Help
To run a command as administrator (user "root"), use "sudo <command>".
See "man sudo_root" for details.
rohini@rohini-laptop:~$ ./dh 3 7 79
g = 3
a = 7
p = 79
dh1(), user time: 0.000000, sys time: 0.000000, child user time: 0.000000, child
sys time: 0.000000
dh1 = 54
dh2(), user time: 0.000000, sys time: 0.000000, child user time: 0.000000, child
sys time: 0.000000
dh2 = 54
rohini@rohini-laptop:~$
```

Fig 1.1. Output screen of Proposed Algorithm

The command prompt shown in the Figure 5.2.1.1 generate secret key which is same for both the sender and the receiver. The receiver can decrypt the encrypted cipher text to the plain text with the help of generated key. As we have increased the range of the secret key it becomes very difficult to decrypt the encrypted text.

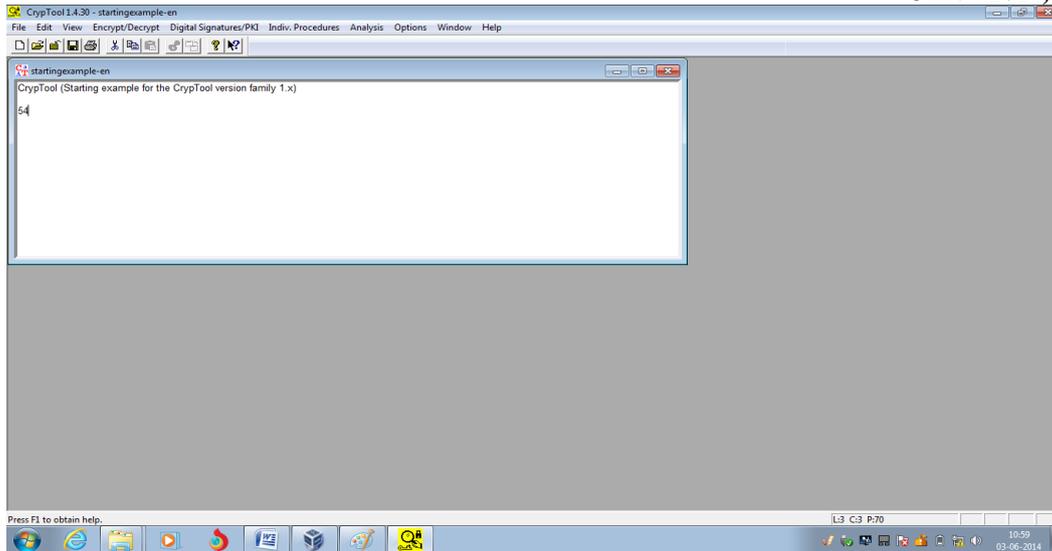


Figure 1.2 Key Generated is pasted in CrypTool for analysis of different Parameters

The generated key in the previous figure is pasted in the CrypTool as shown in figure 1.2 for the analysis of various parameters. Using this tool, user can get its own parameters.

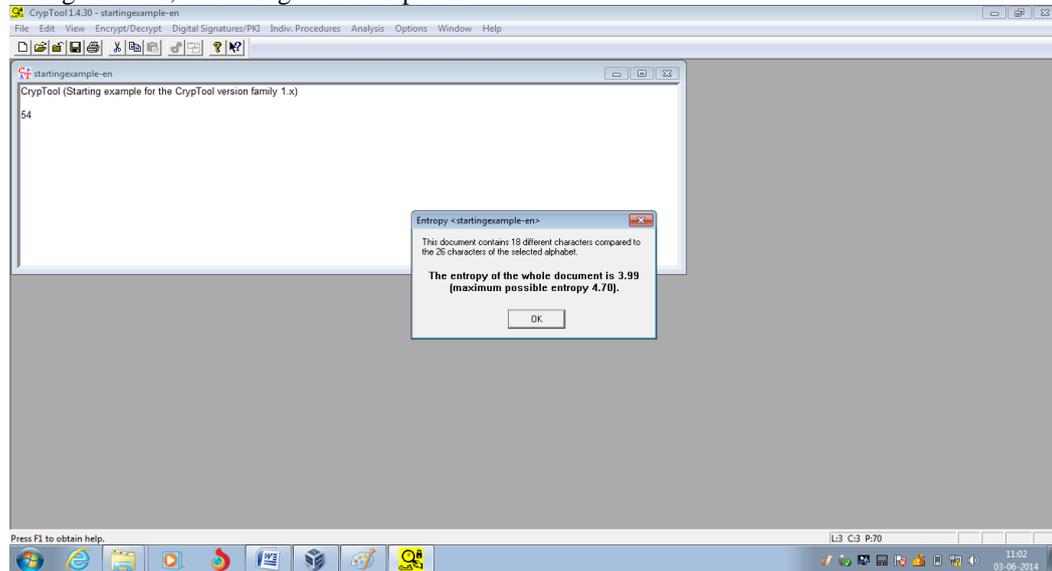


Figure 1.3 Calculated Entropy for given sample for Proposed System

The entropy is calculated by using CrypTool for the secret key of proposed algorithm. The result comes out to be 3.99. This calculated entropy result is higher than the classical Diffie-Hellman algorithm entropy result.

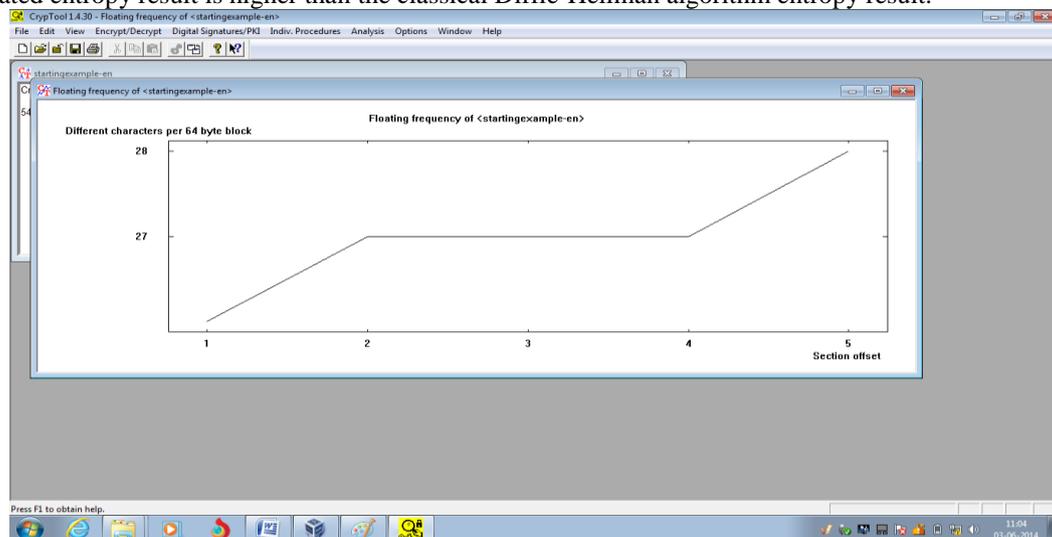


Fig 1.4: Calculated Floating frequency for Proposed System

As shown in figure 1.4 above the floating frequency of a document is a characteristic of its local information content at individual points in the document.

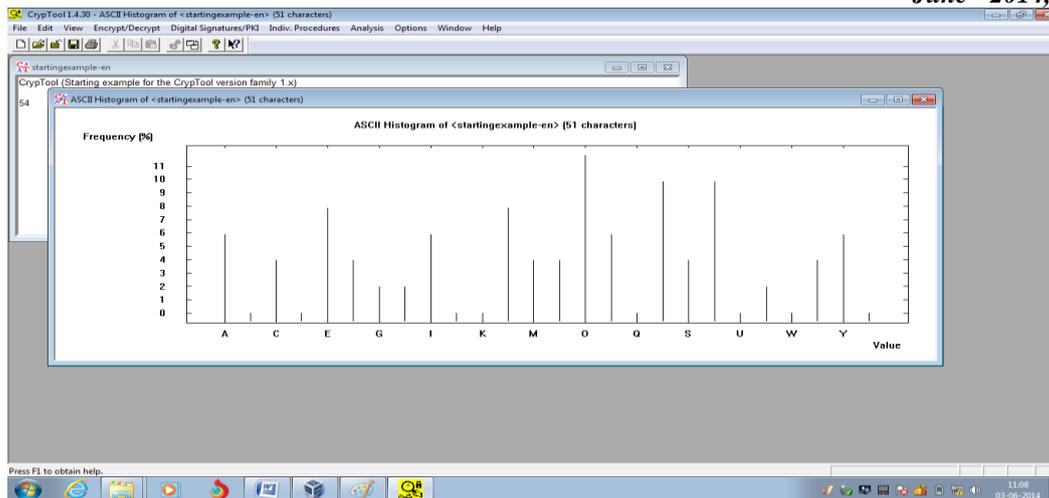


Fig 1.5: Calculated Histogram for Proposed System

Histogram is a graphical representation showing a visual impression of the distribution of data. The figure 1.5 shows histogram for proposed work

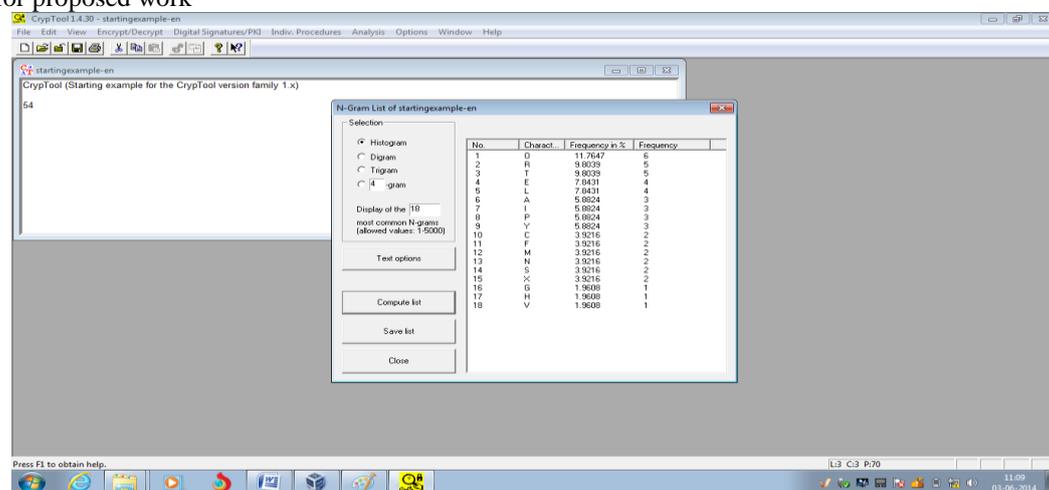


Figure 1.6: Calculated N-Gram for Proposed System

The Figure 1.6 shows N-gram for proposed systems. N-gram calculates the every character generated in the key. The gaps between equal N-grams can be very helpful for breaking a cipher

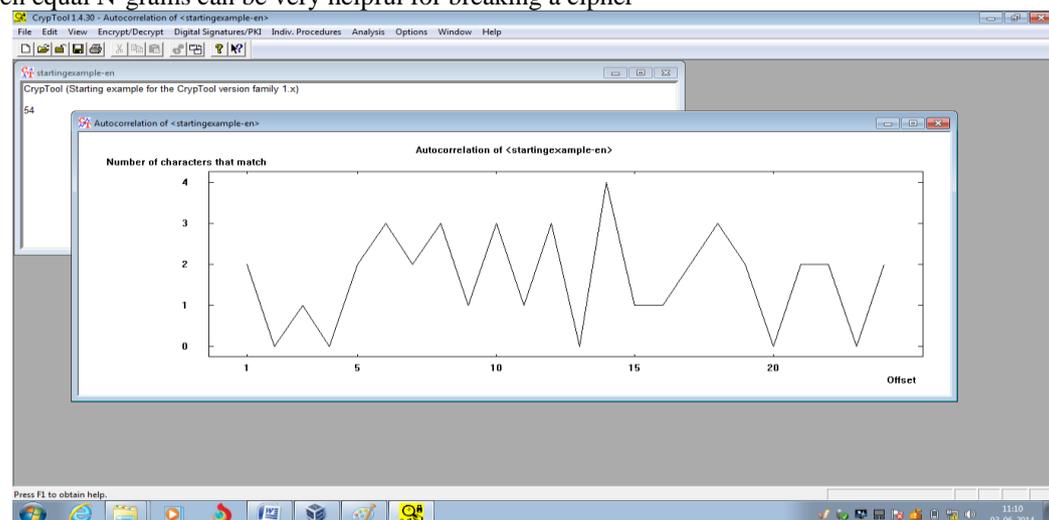


Figure 1.7: Calculated Autocorrelation for Proposed System

Autocorrelation means that a text is compared to copies of the same text

## IX. CONCLUSION

The Diffie-Hellman key exchange algorithm is one of the most interesting key distribution schemes in use today. It provides security. It uses in DES for the security. In our purposed work, we enhanced the hardness in security by adding modulus operation on the private key. Our purposed work increases the entropy and decrease the autocorrelation. We are analysed our work by CryptTool. It is analysed our work in its parameters like entropy, Floated frequency, N - gram and

histogram. The entropy of our work is higher than other Diffie-Hellman algorithm. Increase in entropy shows increase in hardness in security. The entropy of our work is 3.99 and entropy of previous algorithm is 2.65 in comparison. So our work is better than older Diffie-Hellman algorithm. Our work provides good support for the systems of networks with Diffie-Hellman algorithm for sending the data safely in their different services like communication between sender and receiver in one network area. It maintains the data integrity and consistency in the data.

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