## LAB04 S/MIME and OpenPGP

1. Write a brief report of what you have done. In the report, include your OpenPGP key ID and signature. (Your public key will be downloaded from http://pgp.mit.edu/ or https://keys.openpgp.org and checked for signatures.) Also, answer the question below: Can you send signed/encrypted emails using webmail such as Gmail? Why, or why not? What are the challenges?

The task was to do the encryption and signing of the email using S/MIME and OpenPGP while sending the emails. This is done to have a safe and secure communication.

Steps for S/MIME

- 1)Configure the name server on both client and server machines
- 2)Install evolution on the client machine then configure the exchange email using IU email.
- 3)Create PK12 certificate following the steps given
- 4) Now we can send email by selecting the required options

Steps for PGP

- 1)Install seahorse
- 2)Create a pgp key
- 3)Import certificate onto evolution and create .cer file
- 4)Sign and encrypt the file

Mail Accounts -> abkuma@iu -> Edit -> Security -> Now paste the key in OpenPGP Key ID tab : 3BB2344.....(Key to be copied)

5)Asked my friends to generate their asc key and send it to me gpg --export --armor --output <key\_name.asc> <email\_id>

Also I sent my asc key to my friend. After that I send the PGP signed / encrypted email.

1) First import the friends key

gpg --import <.asc file>

It will say impoted

2)Second check the list of keys. It shows all the keys with respective emailed and Key

gpg --list-keys

3) Now sign this key of your friend

gpg --sign-key <KEYS COPY from the list>

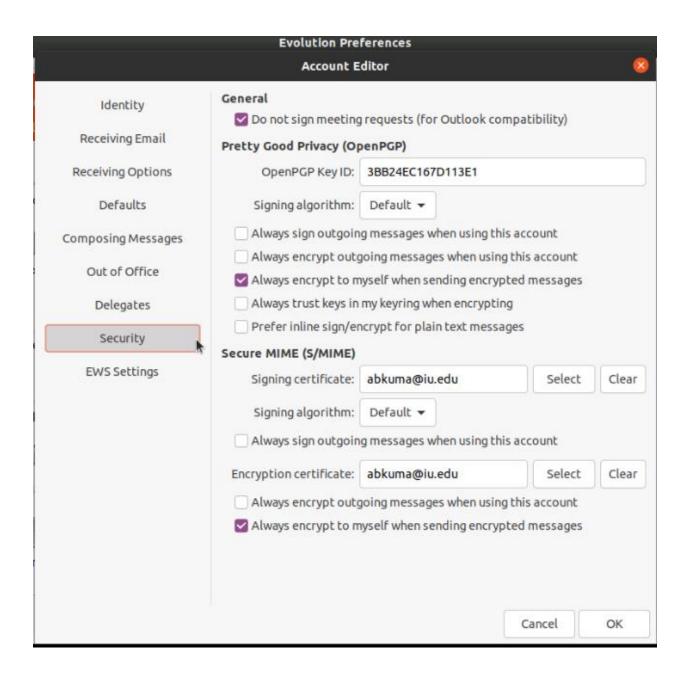
It will ask do u want to sign this key with your key? Press y and enter

6) Download the AI key and do the same steps as done for friends.

OpenPGP Key ID: 3BB24EC167D113E1

Signature hash: 2A5B0874AF5C30431013B87D3BB24EC167D113E1

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## Can we do the same using Gmail?

Yes, we can send singed/encrypted email using Gmail but there is difficulty to tweak the required configuration. We need an enterprise account to sign and encrypt using S-MIME/ PGP.

As per the gnome evolution website, we can send signed and encrypted emails via Gmail, but we are required to buy the third-party certificates

2. Explain what the key fingerprint is (mentioned in 3.2.1) and why you are convinced that

## this key is indeed Changchang's? Your argument should clearly indicate what properties of secure hash functions are important in making the decision.

Key Fingerprint: It is a short sequence of bytes used to identify a longer public key. Fingerprints are created by applying a hash or Key ID to identify the owner's identity.

I was able to verify the key's owner by checking the provided Hash and also, I have verified the email and the full name.

So, the unique mapping or collision resistance is one of the features of a secure hash function. Under which each fingerprint should be linked to just one public key. The fingerprint is unique for a public key. Therefore, it helps in verifying keys.