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Lab 9

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Public Private RSA Encryption and Decryption in C

Usage Instructions

- 1. Install OpenSSL library.
- 2. Open a terminal window in the directory containing encrypt.c and decrypt.c file.
- 3. Ensure the directory contains the required keys: public.pem and private.pem
- 4. Compile the c programs.

```
$ gcc encrypt.c -o encrypt -lcrypto -lssl
$ gcc decrypt.c -o decrypt -lcrypto -lssl
```

5. Encrypt the input file using the executable encrypt. Parameters: {public_key, input_file_name, encrypted_file_name}

```
$ ./encrypt public.pem input_file.txt encrypted_file.txt
```

6. Decrypt the encrypted file using the executable decrypt. Parameters: {private_key, encrypted_file_name, decrypted_file_name}

```
$ ./decrypt private.pem encrypted_file.txt decrypted_file.txt
```

Generating Keys

· The RSA key was geenrated using;

```
$ openssl genrsa -out private.pem 10000
$ openssl rsa -in private.pem -pubout -out public.pem
```

• RSA_PKCS1_PADDING padding was used in the program. Using this, maximum input file size that can be encrypted using RSA is:

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max_input_size (in bytes)
= (key_size/8)-11

= (10000/8)-11

= 1239