

Network and Computer Security Project

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Design Principles for Secure Document Format



Confidentiality

- AES for document encryption
- RSA for secret key encryption



Integrity

Creation of a digital signature



Freshness

Timestamp usage



Cryptographic Libraries and Tools

- Java 21
- Custom Cryptographic Library

- java.security.Signature: For generating and verifying digital signatures for document integrity.
- java.security.SecureRandom: For generating IVs to ensure integrity.
- javax.crypto.Cipher: For encryption and decryption operations.
- javax.crypto.KeyGenerator: For generating symmetric keys(AES).
- KeyFactory, PublicKey, PrivateKey:
 For handling public and private keys in RSA encryption.

Sender

Pub Key

EncryptionGenerate iv and encrypt public key using symmetric key and the iv.

Encrypt DocumentGenerate a new iv and encrypt the

document using session key and iv.

Create Signature

Encrypting object generate in step 2 using RSA with our private key.

Adding the timestamp

Timestamp is added to the final payload which gets sent to the server.

Receiver

Pub Key Decryption

Using the iv and the symmetric key, public key is retrieved.

Signature

Verification

Signature is verified using RSA and timestamp is checked.

Document Decryption

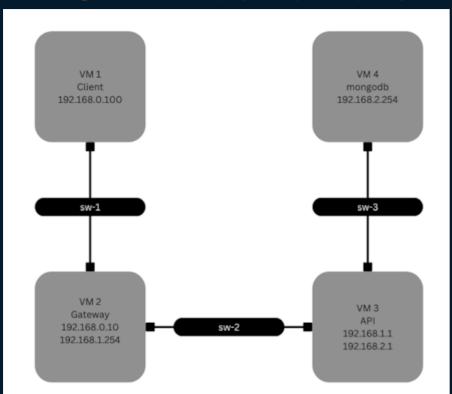
Using the 2nd iv and the session key, document is decrypted

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Infrastructure



02 Infrastructure



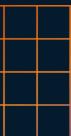
Database

Server



Client

Gateway



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Implementation and details of our cryptographic library

03 Secure Channel and Key Distribution

Secure Channel

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- Client and Server communicate via HTTPS
- Server and Database communicate via SSL/TLS

Key Distribution

- Public Keys are encrypted and exchanged when a User creates an account
- Session Keys are encrypted and exchanged when a User logs in (PFS)

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Security Challenge

Enhancing Security: Non-Repudiation, Freshness, and Multi-Owner Accounts





Non-repudiation

It is ensured through the usage of the digital signature.

Freshness

Achieved through the usage of the timestamp.

Multi-Owner Accounts

Transactions are processed once any of the owners initiates the transaction.

Results

- Distributed secure Infrastructure
- Confidentiality, Integrity and Authenticity are ensured
- Perfect Forward Secrecy





Conclusion

- Fundamentals of secure communication between all parties
- Possible improvements using nonces
- Implement Https between client and server



Demo

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MHrQyi1eSxr_tzU_vSVFUcGWeP ZF4Quh/view?usp=sharing