

Cryptography II

ICS lec 6

Cryptographic algorithms

MDS }
SHA } Integrity

HMAC - MDS }
RSA and DSA } Authentication.

DES }
3DES } Confidentiality.
AES }

Hash functions.

- take a input as message and convert it to a fixed length message.
- MD5 - 128 bit (Message digest) (Digital fingerprint)
- SHA - 160 bit.

• a message can be converted to a fixed length but harder to reverse it. (One way)

hashing provides.

- Data integrity
- Authentication.

• if hash function generate same values for 2 or more it called Collision.

- don't have keys in hash function.

Usage of hash functions.

- to confirm downloaded the correct file.
- to provide message integrity
- to provide authentication.

$H(x)$ \rightarrow hash function.

- from hash function can identify unintentional modification.
- Can't identify intentional modification.
- There is no way to identify the unique sender.

$\begin{matrix} \text{MD5} \\ \text{SHA-256} \end{matrix}$ \rightarrow mostly used.

- SHA can have 2^{64} values input and produce 160 bit hash value.
- MD5 have 2^{128} values outputs.

MD5 - low secure / fast

SHA \rightarrow high secure / slow.

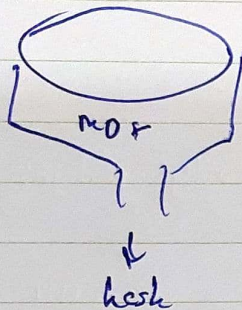
keyed hash message Authentication Code (HMAC / HMAC)

- not as regular hash function this has keys to overcome the identifying the issue of unintentional modifications.

HMAC has \rightarrow hash function + secret key.

- Same key for both ends.

$m_1 + \text{key}$



Characteristics of key management

- key generation
- Verification
- Storage
- exchange
- key ~~rev~~ revocation and destruction.

2 term that used to describe a key.

• key size - no of bits in a key (length)

ex: MD5 = 128 bit.

• key space - all possible keys that can be generated

ex: MD5 = 2^{128}

Symmetric - great for bulk data encryption

Choosing Cryptographic keys,

- Performance
- Security

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