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### **Experiment No 13**

**<u>Aim</u>**: Explore the GPG Tool of linux to implement email security.

Lab Outcome:

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Theory:

## 1. What is Private Key Ring and Public Key Ring?

In the context of GPG (GNU Privacy Guard), a private key ring and a public key ring are essential components of the OpenPGP encryption and signing system. These key rings are used for managing cryptographic keys for secure communication.

- Private Key Ring: This is a collection of private keys owned by a user. Private keys are used for decrypting messages sent to you and for signing messages to ensure their authenticity. Each user typically has their private key ring, which should be kept confidential and protected at all costs. Only the owner of the private key ring should have access to it.
- Public Key Ring: This is a collection of public keys, which are meant to be shared openly. Public keys are used by others to encrypt messages meant for you and to verify the digital signatures you create with your private key. Public keys are freely distributed and can be obtained from a keyserver or directly from the person they belong to.
- 2. Write the commands used for key generation, export and import of keys and signing and encrypting the message in gpg tool.

**Key Generation** 

To generate private and public key pairs for sender and receiver, you can use the following commands:

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"bash
gpg --gen-key or gpg --full-generate-key (repeat for sender and receiver)
```

**Exporting and Importing Keys** 

- Create a file containing sender's public key (ASCII format):
- ```bash

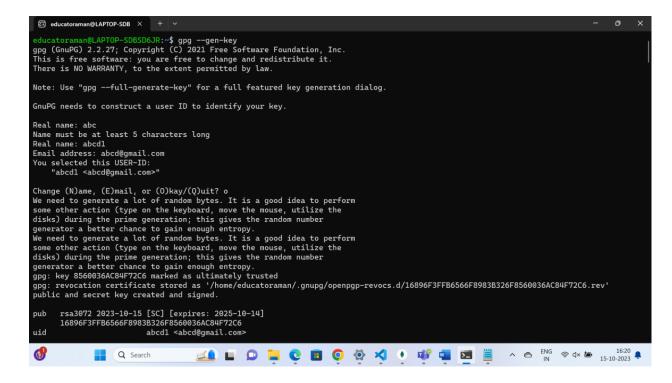
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gpg --export -a username > filename
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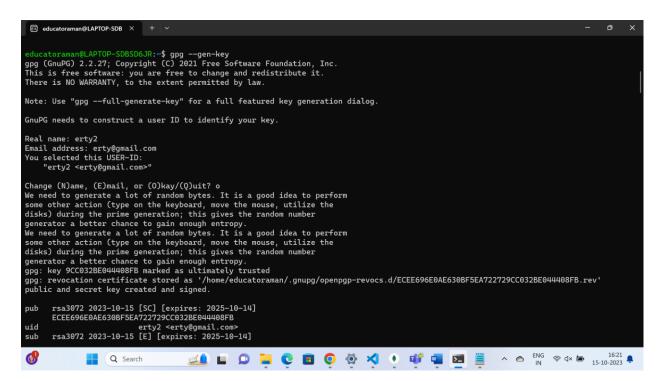
- Create a file containing sender's private key:
- ```bash

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gpg --export-secret-key -a username > filename
- Import the public key of the receiver:
gpg --import filename_containing_public_key of receiver
Signing Keys
Sender can sign the public key of the receiver to establish trust:
gpg --sign-key receiver_email
Encrypting Data
Encrypt a file for a specific receiver:
gpg --encrypt -r receiver_email name_of_file .gpg file created
Encrypt and sign a file (ASCII format):
```bash
gpg --encrypt --sign --armor -r receiver_email name_of_file ASCII file created
Encrypt and sign a file (.gpg format):
```bash
gpg --encrypt --sign -r receiver_email name_of_file .gpg file created
Decrypting Data
Decrypt a file:
```bash
gpg -o myfiledecrypted -d myfile.txt.gpg
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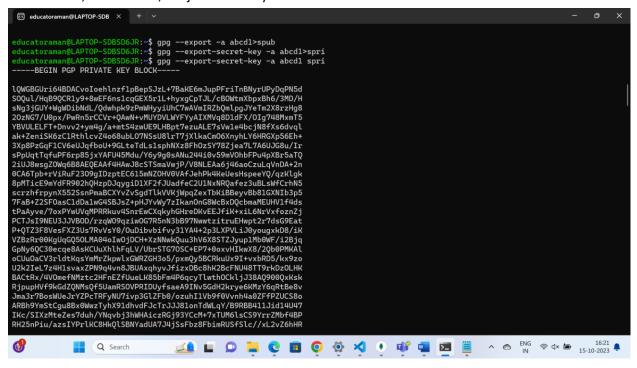
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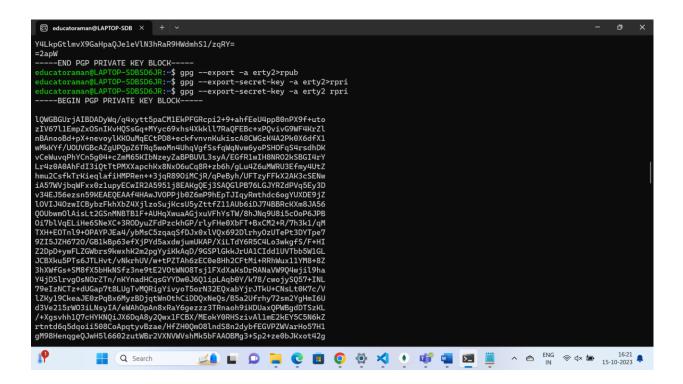
#### **Output:**





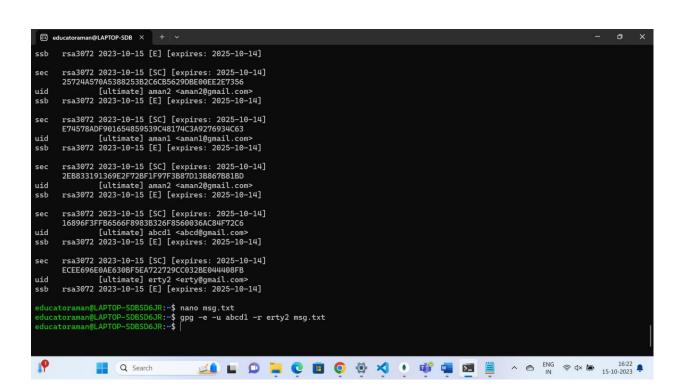
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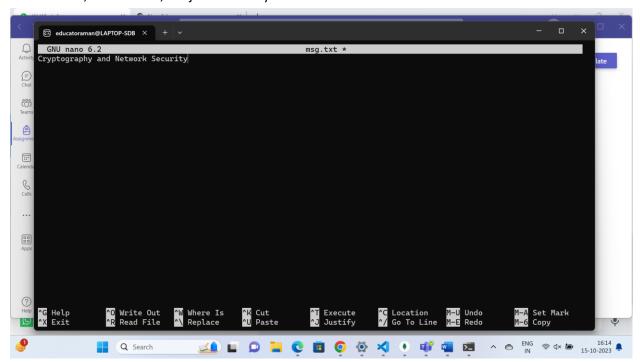


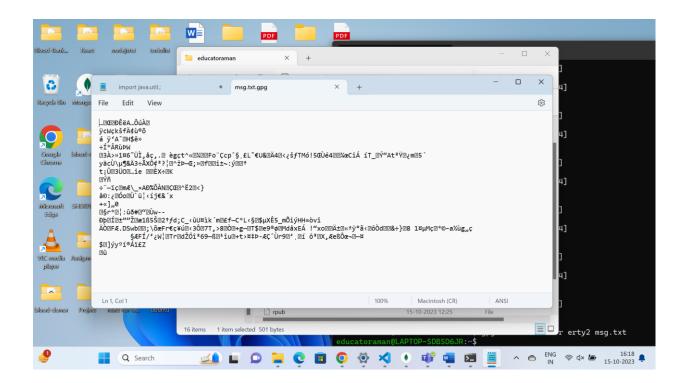
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 D8hDQ+WmQ6dXZefg320bzIc2iPUQJ+2il4MCDfFk+t4=
=b2nE
           -END PGP PRIVATE KEY BLOCK--
            -END PGF PRIVATE KEY DOCK----
datoraman@LAPTOP-SDBSD6JR:-$ gpg --import rpub
key 9CC032BE044408FB: "erty2 <erty@gmail.com>" not changed
 gpg: Total number processed: 1
gpg: unchanged: 1
educatoraman@LAPTOP-SDBSDGJR:~$ gpg --encrypt -r erty2 hi
gpg: checking the trustdb
gpg: marginals needed: 3 completes needed: 1 trust model: pgp
gpg: depth: 0 valid: 11 signed: 0 trust: 0-, 0q, 0n, 0m, 0f, 1lu
gpg: next trustdb check due at 2025-09-25
gpg: can't open 'hi': No such file or directory
gpg: hi: encryption failed: No such file or directory
educatoraman@LAPTOP-SDBSDGJR:~$ gpg --allow-secret-key-import --import rpri
gpg: key 9CC032BE044408FB: "erty2 <=rty@gmail.com>" not changed
gpg: key 9CC032BE044408FB: secret key imported
gpg: Total number processed: 1
gpg: secret keys read: 1
gpg: secret keys unchanged: 1
gpg: secret keys unchanged: 1
educatoraman@LAPTOP-SDBSDGJR:~$ gpg --list-keys
   5JR:~$ gpg --encrypt -r erty2 hi
 educatoraman@LAPTOP-SDBSD6JR:~$ gpg --list-keys/home/educatoraman/.gnupg/pubring.kbx
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[ultimate] aman singh <aman123@gmail.com>
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# **Conclusion:**

In summary, we explored GPG's private and public key rings, key management, and security processes. These are vital for secure communication and trust verification in digital exchanges.