Information Systems Security Mandatory TP 3 - SHA-256

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Submit on Moodle your Python file(s) .py, before Tuesday, November 30th, 2021 at 11:59 pm (23h59).

Your code should be **commented**.

SHA-256

The goal of this TP is to implement one of the variants of the hash function SHA-2, more precisely SHA-256.

All we need is a message, of any length, given as a string of characters, and two constants, given later. This will return a 256-bit hash.

First Step: Padding

First, you need to pad your message (of length L) to a multiple of 512 bits, following this algorithm :

- ullet Add one bit of value 1 to your message, \bigvee
- Add K bits of value 0 to your message, with $K \in \mathbb{N}$ the smallest non-negative integer such that L+1+K+64 is a multiple of 512,
- Add L (length of the initial message in bits) as a 64 bits integer to your message.

Second Step: Merkle-Damgard structure

SHA-256 uses the Merkle-Damgard structure to create a fixed length output :

 $\bullet\,$ Slice your message into 512-bit blocks,

- You have an initial value IV of 256 bits (it is a constant, given later in the TP),
- Give the 256-bit IV and the 512-bit block to SHA-256 one way compression function, which will compute a 256-bit output value h,
- Then take this value h and the next 512-bit block of the message, and give them to the compression function, which will output a new 256 bit cipher,
- Repeat this process until all 512 bit blocks of the message have been used,
- The last 256 bit output is your hash.

Third Step: Global outline of the one-way compression function

Now we just need the SHA-256 compression function, which is a one-way compression function taking two blocks, one of 512 bits (from the message) and one of 256 bits (The previous cipher, or IV in the first step), and returns a 256-bit hash.

This box works with 32 bit words. Additions are made modulo 2^{32} .

• First, we need to create a list of 64 words (each one of 32 bits). Let us slice the 512 bit block from the message into 32 bit words, which will be $W_1, W_2, ..., W_{16}$, the first 16 words of that list.

Then, the other words are defined with this pseudo-code. Be careful as there's both shifts and cyclic shifts: **rightrotate** is a rotation (cyclic shift) of the word to the right, **rightshift** is a shift (non cyclic) to the right:

For i from 17 to 64:

 $s_0 = (w_{i-15} \text{ rightrotate 7}) \text{ xor } (w_{i-15} \text{ rightrotate 18}) \text{ xor } (w_{i-15} \text{ rightshift 3})$

 $s_1 = (w_{i-2} \text{ rightrotate } 17) \text{ xor } (w_{i-2} \text{ rightrotate } 19) \text{ xor } (w_{i-2} \text{ rightshift } 10)$

$$w_i = (w_{i-16} + s_0 + w_{i-7} + s_1) \mod 2^{32}$$

• Then, we will do 64 iterations the compression part. That compression part needs 3 things:

An initial 256 bit hash, noted as eight 32 bit words $h_0, h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4, h_5, h_6, h_7$ (this is either the previous hash, or the IV in the first round), And two 32 words for each iteration $i \in \{1, 2, ..., 64\}$.

The first one is W_i , and the second one is a constant K_i (that constant is different for each of the 64 iterations, and these constants are given later

in the TP).

This will give you eight 32 bit words, noted a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h. The compression function is explained in the next subsection.

• Finally, after the 64 iterations defined in the next section, add the 256 bits (as eight 32 bit words, each time modulo 2^{32}) obtained with the initial hash (or IV):

$$newh_0 = (h_0 + a) \mod 2^{32}$$
 $newh_1 = (h_1 + b) \mod 2^{32}$
...
 $newh_7 = (h_7 + h) \mod 2^{32}$

Last Step: The Compression Part

And finally, we just need to define the compression part itself:

We start with the previous hash or IV as our initial eight words, noted a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h. The W_i and K_i are the words previously defined from the Third Step (see next subsection for constants K_i).

Then, we follow this algorithm (rightrotate is again the rotation to the right (cyclic shift), and "xor", "not" and "and" are bitwise operators):

All additions (+) are once again modulo 2^{32} .

For i from 1 to 64:

$$X_1 := (e \text{ rightrotate } 6) \text{ xor } (e \text{ rightrotate } 11) \text{ xor } (e \text{ rightrotate } 25)$$

$$CH := (e \text{ and } f) \text{ xor } ((\text{ not } e) \text{ and } g)$$

$$X_2 := (a \text{ rightrotate } 2) \text{ xor } (a \text{ rightrotate } 13) \text{ xor } (a \text{ rightrotate } 22)$$

$$MAJ := (a \text{ and } b) \text{ xor } (a \text{ and } c) \text{ xor } (b \text{ and } c)$$

$$temp1 := (h + X_1 + CH + K_i + W_i) \mod 2^{32}$$

$$temp2 := (X_2 + MAJ) \mod 2^{32}$$

$$h := g$$

$$g := f$$

$$f := e$$

$$e := (d + temp1) \mod 2^{32}$$

$$d := c$$

$$c := b$$

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b := a a := (temp1 + temp2) \mod 2^{32}
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The last a,b,...,h you get after the 64 rounds are the ones used in the last point of the Third Step (global outline part).

SHA-256 Constants

You need two constants, IV (256 bits) and the 64 words of 32 bits in K. These constants are already in the python file "SHAConstants.py":

IV (256 bits) is defined in hexadecimal as the eight 32 bit words:

(which, fun fact, are defined by the first 32 bits of the fractional parts of the square roots of the first 8 primes numbers (from 2 to 19)).

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The K_i (32 bit words) are defined in hexadecimal as: K[0..63] :=
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0x428a2f98, 0x71374491, 0xb5c0fbcf, 0xe9b5dba5, 0x3956c25b, 0x59f111f1, 0x923f82a4, 0xab1c5ed5, 0xd807aa98, 0x12835b01, 0x243185be, 0x550c7dc3, 0x72be5d74, 0x80deb1fe, 0x9bdc06a7, 0xc19bf174, 0xe49b69c1, 0xefbe4786, 0x0fc19dc6, 0x240ca1cc, 0x2de92c6f, 0x4a7484aa, 0x5cb0a9dc, 0x76f988da, 0x983e5152, 0xa831c66d, 0xb00327c8, 0xbf597fc7, 0xc6e00bf3, 0xd5a79147, 0x06ca6351, 0x14292967, 0x27b70a85, 0x2e1b2138, 0x4d2c6dfc, 0x53380d13, 0x650a7354, 0x766a0abb, 0x81c2c92e, 0x92722c85, 0xa2bfe8a1, 0xa81a664b, 0xc24b8b70, 0xc76c51a3, 0xd192e819, 0xd6990624, 0xf40e3585, 0x106aa070, 0x19a4c116, 0x1e376c08, 0x2748774c, 0x34b0bcb5, 0x391c0cb3, 0x4ed8aa4a, 0x5b9cca4f, 0x682e6ff3, 0x748f82ee, 0x78a5636f, 0x84c87814, 0x8cc70208, 0x90befffa, 0xa4506ceb, 0xbef9a3f7, 0xc67178f2

(fun fact part two, these are the first 32 bits of the fractional parts of the cube roots of the first 64 primes numbers (from 2 to 311))

Examples

Here are some examples of what you should obtain, with the 256-bit hash expressed as an hexadecimal number (the examples are included in the "SHA-Constants.py" file):

• For the empty string "", you should obtain the following hash: $(e3b0c44298fc1c149afbf4c8996fb92427ae41e4649b934ca495991b7852b855)_{16}$

- \bullet "Welcome to Wrestlemania!" gives you the following hash : $(70eeb26f0052ebe0041e58d221e954c575f32a979cefdae7b761969e33b7934f)_{16}$
- \bullet "Fight for your dreams, and your dreams will fight for you!" : $(31bba5997ae84193407798293636745b88d0126146fd105aa96e599c5f197714)_{16}$