# Lab 4: Asymmetric (Public) Key

**Objective:** The key objective of this lab is to provide a practical introduction to public key encryption, and with a focus on RSA and Elliptic Curve methods. This includes the creation of key pairs and in the signing process.

Web link (Weekly activities): https://asecuritysite.com/esecurity/unit04
Video demo: https://youtu.be/6T9bFA2nl3c

## A RSA Encryption

**A.1** The following defines a public key that is used with PGP email encryption:

```
----BEGIN PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK-----
Version: GnuPG v2
```

mQENBFTzi1ABCADIEwchOyqRQmU4AyQAMj2Pn68Sq09lTPdPcItwo9LbTdv1YCFz w3qLlp2RORMP+Kpdi92CIhdUYHDmZfHZ3IWTBg09+y/Np9UJ6tNGocrgsq4xwz15 4vX4jJRddc7QySSh9UxDpRWf9sgqEv1pah136r95zuyjC1EXnoNxdLJtx8PliCXc hV/v4+Kf0yzYh+HDJ4xP2bt1S07dkasYZ6cA7BHYi9k4xgEwxVvYtNj5PjTsQY5R CTayXveGafuxmhSauZKiB/2TFErjEt49Y+p07tPTLX7bhMBVbUvojtt/JeUKV6VX R82dmOd8seUvhwOHYB0JL+3S7PgFFsLo1NV5ABEBAAGOLkJpbGwgQnVjaGFuYW4G KE5vbmUpIDx3LmJ1Y2hbbmFuQG5hcGllci5hYy51az6JATKEEwECACMFAlTzi1AC GwMHCwkIBwMCAQYVCAIJCgsEFgIDAQIeAQIXgAAKCRDsAFZRGtdPQi13B/9KHeFb l1AxqbafFGRDEvx8UfPnEww4FFqWhcr8RLWyE8/C0lUpB/5AS2yvojmbNFMGZURb LGf/u1LVH0a+NHQu57u8Sv+g3bBthEPh4bKaEzBYRS/dYHOx3APFyIayfm78JVFF zdeTOOf6PaXUTRx7iscCTKN8DUD3lg/465ZX5aH3HWFFX500JSPSt0/udqjoQuAr wA5JqB//g2GfzZe1UzH5Dz3PBbJky8GiIfLm00XSEIgAmpvc/9NjzAgjoW56n3Mu sjVkibc+l1jw+roo97CfJMppmtcovehvQv+KG0LZnpibiwVmM3vT7E6kRy4gEbDu enHPDqhsvcqTDqaduQENBFTzi1ABCACzpJgZLK/sge2rMLURUQQ6102Urs/GilGC ofq3WpnDt5hEjarwMMwN65PbODj0i7vnorhL+fdb/J8b8QTiyp7i03dZvhDahcQ5 8afvCjQtQsty8+K6kZFzQOBgyOS5rHAKHNSPFq45m1nPo5aaDvP7S9mdMILITv1b CFhcLoC660qy+JoaHupJqHBqGc48/5NU4gbt6fB1AQ/H4M+6og4OozohgkQb8OHox YbJV4sv4vYMULd+FK0g2RdGeNMM/awdqyo90qb/W2aHCCyXmhGHEEuok9jbc8cr/xrWL0gDwlwpad8RfQwyVU/Vz3Eg3OseL4SedEmwOO cr15XDIS6dpABEBAAGJAR8E

GAECAAkFAlTzilACGwwACgkQ7ABWURrXT0KZTgf9FUpkh3wv7aC5M2wwdEjt0rDx nj9kxH99hhuTx2EHXUNLH+SwLGHBq502sq3jfP+owEhs8/Ez0j1/f5KIqAdlz3mB dbqwPjzPTY/m0It+wv3ep0M75uwjp35PF0rKxxZmEf6srjZD1sk0B9bRy2v9iwN9 9ZkuvcfH4VT++PognQLTUqnx0FGpDlagrG0lXsCtJWQXCXPfWdtbIdThBgzH4flZ ssAlbCaBlQkzfbPvrMzdTIP+AXg6++K9SnO9N/FRPYzjUSEmpRp+ox31wymvczcURmyUquF+/zNnSBVgtY1rzwaYi05xfuxG0WHVHPTtRyJ5pF4HSqiuvk6Z/4z3bw==ZrP+

----END PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK----

Using the following Web page, determine the owner of the key, and the ID on the key:

https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/pgp1

By searching on-line, can you find the public key of three famous people, and view their key details, and can you discover some of the details of their keys (eg User ID, key encryption method, key size, etc)?

By searching on-line, what is an ASCII Armored Message?

Save the public key to your Ubuntu instance mypub.asc, and run:

gpg mykey.asc

What details can you get from the key:

#### **A.2** Bob has a private RSA key of:

MIICXAIBAAKBgQCwgjkeoyCXm9v6VBnUi5ihQ2knkdxGDL3GXLIUU43/froeqk7q9mtxT4AnPAaDX3f2r4STZYYiqXGSHCUBZcI90dvzf6YiEM5OY2jgsmqBjf2Xkp/8HgN/XDw/wD2+zebYGLLYtd2u3GXX9edqJ8kQcU9LaMH+ficFQyfq9UwTjQIDAQABAOGAD7L1a6Ess+9b6G70gTANWkKJpshVZDGb63mxKRepaJEX8sRJEqLqOYDNSC+pkKO8IsfHreh4vrp9bsZuECrB1OHSjwDB0S/fm3KEwbsaaXDUAu0dQg/JBMXAKZeATreoIYJItYgwzrJ++fuquKabAZumvOnWJyBIs2z103kDz2ECQQDnn3JpHirmgVdf81yBbAJaXBXNIPZOCCth1zwFAs4EvrE35n2HvUquRhy3ahUKXsKX/bGvwzmC2O6kbLTFEygVAkEAWXXZnPkAAY2vuoUCN5NbLZgegrAtmU+U2woa5A0fx6uXmShqxo11DxEC71FbNIgHBg5srSUyDj3OsloLmDVjmQJAIy7qLyOA+sCC6BtMavBgLx+bxCWFmsoZHOSX3l79smTRAJ/HY64RREIsLTQ1q/yW7IWBzxQ5WTHgliNZFjKBvQJBAL3t/vCJwRz0EbS5FaB/8UwhhsrbtXlGdnkOjIGsmVOvHSf6pOHqUiay/DV88pvhN11ZG8zHpeUhnaQccJ9ekzkCQDHHG9LYCOqTgsyYms//CW4sv2nuOE1UezTjUFeqOlsgO+WN96b/M5gnv45/Z3xZxzJ4HOCJ/NRwxNOtEUkw+ZY=

And receives a ciphertext message of:

Pob7AQZZSml618nMwTpx3V74N45x/rTimUQeTlOyHq8F0dsekZgOT385jls1HUZWCx6ZRFPFMjlRNYR2Yh7AkQtFLVx9lYDfb/Q+SkinBIBX59ER3/fDhrVKxIN4S6h2QmMSRblh4KdVhyY6cOxu+g48jh7TkQ2Ig93/nCpAnYQ=

Using the following code:

from Crypto.PublicKey import RSA from Crypto.Util import asn1 from base64 import b64decode

msg="Pob7AQZZSm1618nMwTpx3V74N45x/rTimUQeT10yHq8F0dsekZgOT385J1s1HUZWCx6ZRFPFMJ1RNYR2Yh7AkQtF LVx91YDfb/Q+SkinBIBX59ER3/fDhrVKxIN4S6h2QmMSRb1h4KdVhyY6cOxu+g48Jh7TkQ2Ig93/nCpAnYQ=" privatekey =

Privatekey =

'MIICXAIBAAKBQCwgjkeoyCXm9v6vBnUi5ihQ2knkdxGDL3GXLIUU43/froeqk7q9mtxT4AnPAaDX3f2r4STZYYiqXGS
HCUBZcI90dvzf6YiEM50Y2jgsmqBjf2Xkp/8HgN/XDw/wD2+zebYGLLYtd2u3GXx9edqJ8kQcu9LaMH+ficFQyfq9UwTj
QIDAQABAOGAD7L1a6Ess+9b6G70gTANWkKJpshVZDGb63mxKRepaJEX8sRJEqLqOYDNsC+pkK08IsfHreh4vrp9bsZuEC
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/CW4sv2nu0E1UezTjUFeq01sg0+WN96b/M5gnv45/Z3xzxzJ4HOCJ/NRwxNOtEUkw+zY='

keyDER = b64decode(privatekey)
keys = RSA.importKey(keyDER)

dmsg = keys.decrypt(b64decode(msg))
print dmsq

What is the plaintext message that Bob has been sent?

**A.3** On your VM, go into the ~/.ssh folder. Now generate your SSH keys:

ssh-keygen -t rsa -C "your email address"

The public key should look like this:

ssh-rsa

AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAABAQDLrriuNYTyWuC1IW7H6yea3hMV+rm029m2f6IddtlImHrOXjNwYyt4Elkkc7AzO y899C3gpx0kJK45k/CLbPnrHvkLvtQ0AbzWEQpOKxI+tW06PcqJNmTB8ITRLqIFQ++ZanjHWMw20dew/514y1dQ8dccCO uzeGhL2Lq9dtfhSxx+1cBLcyoSh/1Qcs1HpXtpwU8JMxWJ1409RQOVn3gOusp/P/0R8mz/RWkmsFsyDRLgQK+xtQxbpbo dpnz5lIOPWn5LnT0si7eHmL3WikTyg+QLZ3D3m44NCeNb+bOJbfaQ2ZB+lv8C3OxylxSp2sxzPZMbrZWqGSLPjgDiFIBL w.buchanan@napier.ac.uk

View the private key. Outline the crypto used to protect the keys?

On your Ubuntu instance setup your new keys for ssh:

ssh-add ~/.ssh/id\_git

Now create a Github account and upload your public key to Github (select Settings-> **New SSH key** or **Add SSH key**). Create a new repository on your GitHub site, and add a new file to it. Next go to your Ubuntu instance and see if you can clone of a new directory:

git clone ssh://git@github.com/<user>/<repository name>.git

If this doesn't work, try the https connection that is defined on GitHub.

## B OpenSSL (RSA)

We will use OpenSSL to perform the following:

No	Description	Result
B.1	First we need to generate a key pair with:  openssl genrsa -out private.pem 1024	What is the type of public key method used:
		How long is the default key:
	This file contains both the public and the private key.	Use the following command to view the keys:
		cat private.pem
B.2	Use following command to view the output file: cat private.pem	What can be observed at the start and end of the file:
B.3	Next we view the RSA key pair:  openssl rsa -in private.pem -text	Which are the attributes of the key shown:
		Which number format is used to display the information on the attributes:

B.4	Let's now secure the encrypted key with 3-DES:  openssl rsa -in private.pem -des3 -out key3des.pem	Why should you have a password on the usage of your private key?
B.5	Next we will export the public key:  openssl rsa -in private.pem -out public.pem -outform PEM -pubout	View the output key. What does the header and footer of the file identify?
B.6	Now create a file named "myfile.txt" and put a message into it. Next encrypt it with your public key:  openssl rsautl -encrypt -inkey public.pem -pubin - in myfile.txt -out file.bin	
<b>B.7</b>	And then decrypt with your private key:  openssl rsautl -decrypt -inkey private.pem -in file.bin -out decrypted.txt	What are the contents of decrypted.txt
B.8	What can you observe between these two commands for differing output formats:  openssl rsautl -encrypt -inkey public.pem -pubin - in myfile.txt -out file.bin  cat file.bin  and:  openssl rsautl -encrypt -inkey public.pem -pubin - in myfile.txt -out file.bin -hexdump  cat file.bin	What can you observe in the different of the output files:

## C OpenSSL (ECC)

Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC) is now used extensively within public key encryption, including with Bitcoin, Ethereum, Tor, and many IoT applications. In this part of the lab we will use OpenSSL to create a key pair. For this we generate a random 256-bit private key (*priv*), and then generate a public key point (*priv* multiplied by G), using a generator (G), and which is a generator point on the selected elliptic curve.

No	Description	Result
<b>C.1</b>	First we need to generate a private key with:	Can you view your key?
	openssl ecparam -name secp256k1 -genkey -out priv.pem	

	The file will only contain the private key, as we can generate the public key from this private key.  Now use "cat priv.pem" to view your key.	
C.2	We can view the details of the ECC parameters used with:  openssl ecparam -in priv.pem -text - param_enc explicit -noout	Outline these values: Prime (last two bytes): A: B: Generator (last two bytes): Order (last two bytes):
C.3	Now generate your public key based on your private key with:  openssl ec -in priv.pem -text -noout	How many bits and bytes does your private key have:  How many bit and bytes does your public key have (Note the 04 is not part of the elliptic curve point):  What is the ECC method that you have used?

If you want to see an example of ECC, try here: https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/ecc

# **D** Elliptic Curve Encryption

**D.1** In the following Bob and Alice create elliptic curve key pairs. Bob can encrypt a message for Alice with her public key, and she can decrypt with her private key. Copy and paste the program from here:

https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/elc

Code used:

```
import OpenSSL
import pyelliptic
secretkey="password"
test="Test123"

alice = pyelliptic.ECC()
bob = pyelliptic.ECC()
print "++++Keys++++"
```

```
print "Bob's private key: "+bob.get_privkey().encode('hex')
print "Bob's public key: "+bob.get_pubkey().encode('hex')

print
print "Alice's private key: "+alice.get_privkey().encode('hex')
print "Alice's public key: "+alice.get_pubkey().encode('hex')

ciphertext = alice.encrypt(test, bob.get_pubkey())
print "\n++++Encryption++++"

print "Cipher: "+ciphertext.encode('hex')
print "Decrypt: "+bob.decrypt(ciphertext)
signature = bob.sign("Alice")
print
print "Bob verified: "+ str(pyelliptic.ECC(pubkey=bob.get_pubkey()).verify
(signature, "Alice"))
```

For a message of "Hello. Alice", what is the ciphertext sent (just include the first four characters):

How is the signature used in this example?

**D.2** Let's say we create an elliptic curve with  $y^2 = x^3 + 7$ , and with a prime number of 89, generate the first five (x,y) points for the finite field elliptic curve. You can use the Python code at the following to generate them:

https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/ecc points

First five points:		

**D.3** Elliptic curve methods are often used to sign messages, and where Bob will sign a message with his private key, and where Alice can prove that he has signed it by using his public key. With ECC, we can use ECDSA, and which was used in the first version of Bitcoin. Enter the following code:

What are the signatures (you only need to note the first four characters) for a message of "Bob", for the curves of NIST192p, NIST521p and SECP256k1:

NIST192p:

NIST521p:

SECP256k1:

By searching on the Internet, can you find in which application areas that SECP256k1 is used?

What do you observe from the different hash signatures from the elliptic curve methods?

### E RSA

**E.1** A simple RSA program to encrypt and decrypt with RSA is given next. Prove its operation:

```
import rsa
(bob_pub, bob_priv) = rsa.newkeys(512)
ciphertext = rsa.encrypt('Here is my message', bob_pub)
message = rsa.decrypt(ciphertext, bob_priv)
print(message.decode('utf8'))
```

Remember to install "rsa" with "pip install rsa". Now add the lines following lines after the creation of the keys:

```
print bob_pub
print bob_priv
```

Can you identify what each of the elements of the public key (e,N), the private key (d,N), and the two prime number (p and q) are (if the numbers are long, just add the first few numbers of the value):

When you identity the two prime numbers (p and q), with Python, can you prove that when they are multiplied together they result in the modulus value (N):

Proven Yes/No

**E.2** We will follow a basic RSA process. If you are struggling here, have a look at the following page:

https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/rsa

First, pick two prime numbers:

```
p=
q=
```

Now calculate N (p.q) and PHI [(p-1).(q-1)]:

```
N=
PHI =
```

Now pick a value of e which does not share a factor with PHI [gcd(PHI,e)=1]:

```
e=
```

Now select a value of d, so that (e.d) (mod PHI) = 1:

[Note: You can use this page to find d: https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/inversemod]

```
d=
```

Now for a message of M=5, calculate the cipher as:

```
C = M^e \pmod{N} =
```

Now decrypt your ciphertext with:

```
M = C^{d} \pmod{N} =
```

Did you get the value of your message back (M=5)? If not, you have made a mistake, so go back and check.

Now run the following code and prove that the decrypted cipher is the same as the message:

```
message = cipher**d % N
print message
```

Select three more examples with different values of p and q, and then select e in order to make sure that the cipher will work:

**E.3** In the RSA method, we have a value of e, and then determine d from (d.e) (mod PHI)=1. But how do we use code to determine d? Well we can use the Euclidean algorithm. The code for this is given at:

https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/inversemod

Using the code, can you determine the following:

```
Inverse of 53 (mod 120) =
```

Inverse of 65537 (mod 1034776851837418226012406113933120080) =

Using this code, can you now create an RSA program where the user enters the values of p, q, and e, and the program determines (e,N) and (d,N)?

**E.3** Run the following code and observe the output of the keys. If you now change the key generation key from 'PEM' to 'DER', how does the output change:

```
from Crypto.PublicKey import RSA
key = RSA.generate(2048)
binPrivKey = key.exportKey('PEM')
binPubKey = key.publickey().exportKey('PEM')
print binPrivKey
print binPubKey
```

### F PGP

**F.1** The following is a PGP key pair. Using https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/pgp, can you determine the owner of the keys (or use **gpg mykey.key**):

```
----BEGIN PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK----
Version: OpenPGP.js v4.4.5
Comment: https://openpgpjs.org
xk0EXEOYvQECAIpLP8wfLxzgcolMpwgzcUzTlH0icggOIyuQKsHM4XNPugzUX0NeaawrJhfi+f8hDRojJ5Fv8jBIOm/kwFMNTT8AEQEAAcOUYmlsbCA8Ymls
bEBob217LmNvbT7CdQQQAQgAHwUCXEOYVQYLCQCIAwIEFQgKAgMWAgECGQEC
GWMCHgEACgkonsXEDYt2ZjkTAH/b6+pDfQLi6Zg/Y0tH$5PPRv13Z3Zwoay
vMcPjnWq+vfinyXzY+UJKR1PXskzDvHMLOyVpUcjle5ChyT5Low/ZM5NBFxD
mL0BagDYlTsT06vVQxu3jmfL2KMAr4kLqqIuFFRCapRuHYL0jwlgJZS9p0bF
S0qS8zMEGpN9QzxkG8YECH3gHxlrvALtABEBAAHCXwQYAQgACQUCXEOYVQIb
DAAKCRCg2xcQNi3ZmMAGAf9w/XazfELDG1W3512zw12rKwM7rk97aFrtxz5W
XWA/5gqoVP0iQxklb9qpX7RVd6rLKu7zoX7F+sQod1sCWrMw
----END PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK----
----BEGIN PGP PRIVATE KEY BLOCK----
Version: OpenPGP.js v4.4.5
Comment: https://openpgpjs.org
xcBmBFxDmL0BAgCKSz/MHy8c4HKJTKcIM3FM05R9InIIDiMrkCrBzOFzT7oM
1F9DXmmsKyYX4vn/IQ0aIyeRb/IwSNJvysBTDU0/ABEBAAH+CQMIBNTT/OPv
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Og7MSRsL+dYQauIgtVb3dloLMPtuL59nVAYuIgD8HXyaH2vsEgSZSQnOkfvF
+dWeqJxwFM/uX5PVKcuYsroJFBEO1zas4ERfxbbwnsQgNHpjdIpueHx6/4EO
b1kmhOd6UT7BamubY7bcma1PBSv8PH31Jt8SzRRiaWxsIDxiaWxsQGhvbWUu
Y29tPsJ1BBABCAAfBQJCQ5i9BgsJBwgDAgQVCAOCAXYCAQIZAQIbAwIeAQAK
CRCg2xcQNi3ZmORMAf9vr6kN9AuLrOD9jS0dLk89G/XfbdzChrk8xw+Odar5
V+I3JfNj5QkpHU9eyTMO8cws7JWlRyOV7kKHJPks7D9kx8BmBFxDmL0BAgDY
TTSTO6vVQXu3jmfLzkMAr4kLqqIuFFRCapRuHYLOjw1gJZS9pObFSOqS8ZME
GpN9QZxkG8YECH3gHx1rvALtABEBAAH+CQMI2Gyk+BqVOgzgZX3C8OJRLBRM
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UTYH8x1h0zroF7K0Wq4UcNvrUm6c35H6lClC4zaar4JSN8fzPqVKLlHTVcL9lpDzXxqxKjS05KXXZBh5wl8EGAEIAAkFAlxDmL0CGwwACgkQoNsXEDYt2ZjABgH/cPl2s3xCwxtVt+zds8NdqysD06yve2ha7cc+Vl8AP+YKqFT9IkMZJW/a
qV+0VXeqyyru86F+xfrEKHdbAlqzMA==
=5NaF
       --END PGP PRIVATE KEY BLOCK----
```

**F.2** Using the Node.js code at the following link, generate a key:

https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/openpgp

**F.3** An important element in data loss prevention is encrypted emails. In this part of the lab we will use an open source standard: PGP.

In this challenge, you should install a random number generator on your system with:

### sudo apt-get install rng-tools

No	Description	Result			
1	Create a key pair with (RSA and 2,048-bit keys):				
		How is the			
	gpggen-key	randomness			
	Now export your public key using the form of:	generated?			
	gpgexport -a "Your name" > mypub.key				
	Now export your private key using the form of:	Outline the contents of your key file:			

	gpgexport-secret-key -a "Your name" > mypriv.key	
2	Now send your lab partner your public key in the contents of an email, and ask them to import it onto their key ring (if you are doing this on your own, create another set of keys to simulate another user, or use Bill's public key – which is defined at <a href="http://asecuritysite.com/public.txt">http://asecuritysite.com/public.txt</a> and send the email to him):	Which keys are stored on your key ring and what details do they have:
	gpgimport theirpublickey.key	
	Now list your keys with:	
	gpglist-keys	
3	Create a text file, and save it. Next encrypt the file with their public key:	What does the –a option do:
	gpg -e -a -u "Your Name" -r "Your Lab Partner Name" hello.txt	What does the –r option do:
		What does the –u option do:
		Which file does it produce and outline the format of its contents:
4	Send your encrypted file in an email to your lab partner, and get one back from them.	Can you decrypt the message:
	Now create a file (such as myfile.asc) and decrypt the email using the public key received from them with:	
	<pre>gpg -d myfile.asc &gt; myfile.txt</pre>	
5	Next using this public key file, send Bill (w.buchanan@napier.ac.uk) a question (http://asecuritysite.com/public.txt).	Did you receive a reply:
6	Next send your public key to Bill (w.buchanan@napier.ac.uk), and ask for an encrypted message from him.	

#### **TrueCrypt** G

You can install TrueCrypt on your Ubuntu instance with:

sudo add-apt-repository ppa:stefansundin/truecrypt
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install truecrypt

No	Description	Result	
1	Go to your <b>Ubuntu</b> instance (User: root,		
	Password: toor). Now Create a new volume	CPU (Mean)	
	and use an encrypted file container (use		
	truecrypt) with a Standard TrueCrypt volume.	AES:	
		AES-Twofish:	
	When you get to the Encryption Options, run the	AES-Two-Seperent	
	benchmark tests and outline the results:	Serpent -AES	
	IrueCrypt Volume Creation Wizard	Serpent:	
	Encryption Options	Serpent-Twofish-AES	
	Encryption Algorithm  AES   Test	Twofish:	
	FIPS-approved cyber (Rijndael, published in 1998) that may be used by U.S. government departments and agencies to protect classified information up to the Top Secret level. 259-bit key, 128-bit block, 14 rounds (AGS-256) Mode of poperation is XTS.	Twofish-Serpent:	
	ш	Which is the fastest:	
	More information on AES  Benchmark		
	Hash Algorithm  RIPEMD-160 © Information on hash algorithms	Which is the slowest:	
	Help < Prev Next > Cancel		
2	Select AES and RIPMD-160 and create a	What does the random pool	
_	100MB file. Finally select your password and	generation do, and what does it use	
	use FAT for the file system.	to generate the random key?	
	ase TITI for the fire system.	to generate the function key!	
3	Now mount the file as a drive.	Can you view the drive on the file	
		viewer and from the console?	
		[Yes][No]	
4	Create some files your TrueCrypt drive and save	Without giving them the password,	
	them.	can they read the file?	
		-	
		With the password, can they read	
		the files?	

The following files have the passwords of "Ankle123", "foxtrot", "napier123", "password" or "napier". Determine the properties of the files defined in the table:

File	Size	Encryption type	Files/folders on disk	Hidden partition (y/n)	Hash method
http://asecuritysite.com/tctest01.zip (use: wget http://asecuritysite.com/tctest01.zip					

and then: unzip tctest01.zip)			
http://asecuritysite.com/tctest02.zip			
http://asecuritysite.com/tctest03.zip			

## H Reflective statements

1. In ECC, we use a 256-bit private key. This is used to generate the key for signing Bitcoin transactions. Do you think that a 256-bit key is largest enough? If we use a cracker what performs 1 Tera keys per second, will someone be able to determine our private key?

## I What I should have learnt from this lab?

The key things learnt:

- The basics of the RSA method.
- The process of generating RSA and Elliptic Curve key pairs.
- To illustrate how the private key is used to sign data, and then using the public key to verify the signature.

### **Additional**

The following is code which performs RSA key generation, and the encryption and decryption of a message (https://asecuritysite.com/encryption/rsa\_example):

```
cipher = PKCS1_OAEP.new(pubKeyObj)
ciphertext = cipher.encrypt(msg)
print
print "====Ciphertext==="
print b64encode(ciphertext)
cipher = PKCS1_OAEP.new(privKeyObj)
message = cipher.decrypt(ciphertext)
print "====Decrypted==="
print "Message:",message
```

#### Can you decrypt this:

FipV/rvwDyUarew]4g9pneIbkvMaeu]qSJk55M1VkiEsCRrDLq2fee8g2oGrwxx2j6KH+VafnLfn+QFByIKDQKy+GoJQ3B5bD8QSzPpoumJhdSILcOdHNSzTseuMAM1CSBawbddL2KmpW2zmeiNTrYeA+T6xE9JdgOFrZ0UrtKw=

#### The private key is:

----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY--------BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY---MICXGIBAAKBQQCQRUCTX4+UBGKXGUV5TB3A1hZnUwaZkLlsUdBbM4hXoO+n3O7v
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d3vDXQtsxCDRnjXGNHfWZCypHn1vqVDulB2q/XTyWcKgC61Vj8mMiHXcAQIDAQAB
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IgkBc1JS6b+B8qF2YtOoLaPrWke2uVOTPZGRVLBGAkCw4YECQQDFhZNqwWTFgpZn IgkBcIJS6b+B8qFZYtOoLaPrWkeZUVUTPZGRVLBGAKCW4YECQQDFnZNqwWTFgpzn /qrVYvw6dtn92CmUBT+8pxgaEULBF41jAOyR4y97pvM85zeJ1Kcj7VhW0CNyBzEN ItCNme1dAkEA3LBoacjJnEXwhAJ8OJ0S52RT7T+3LI+rdPKNomZW0vZZ+F/SvY7A +VOIGQaUenvK1PRhbefJraBvVN+d009a9QJBAJWwLxGPgYD1BPgDLW81PrUH0RhA svHMMItFjkxi+wJa2PlIf//nTdrFoNxs1XgMwkXF3wacnSNTM+cilS5akrkCQQCa ol02BsZl4rfJt/gUrzMMwcbw6YFPDwhDtKU7ktvpjEa0e2gt/HYKIVROVMaTIGSa XPZbZVSKdu0rm1h7NRJ1AkEAttA2r5H88nqH/9akdE9Gi7Oo5Yvd8CM2Nqp5Am9g CoZf01NZQS/X2avLEiwtNtEvUbLGpBDgbvnNotoYspjqpg== ---END RSA PRIVATE KEY-