**Intermediate Reports on DSP Optimizations**

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Include the following details in your reports.

 Optimizations tried and carried out. Discuss its impact on the cycles at the function level and total code level. **Also present your reasoning** about the impact of the optimization which you observed.

 Even if an optimization does not improve the result, include and discuss it.

The following table is an overview of all performed optimizations. (**KA**=Key Agreement, **ED**=Encrypt/Decrypt)  
The input data (a 30 byte buffer) is defined in a variable (during phase 1)

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|  | Major Optimization | Functions Effected | Total Cycles\* |  | Change (in %) |
|  |  |  | **Before(KA/ED)** | **After** |  |
| Base Code | N/A | N/A | 537M / 49K | N/A | N/A |
| Session 1 | S1.keygetters | get\_slave\_privkey  get\_slave\_pubkey  get\_slave\_pubkey  get\_master\_privkey  get\_master\_pubkey  get\_master\_modulus | 537M / 49K | 537M / 49K | 0.00025 |
|  | S1.modinv | mod\_inverse | 503K | 400 | 99.92% |
| Session 2 | Optimization name | Function name(s) |  |  |  |
|  | Optimization name | Function name(s) |  |  |  |
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# Report 1

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Submission date : 23/04, 2016**

**Submission time : 4 PM**

## Logs:

This session was used for profiling the base code and identifying the most obvious optimizations. It is clear from the profiling results that the only significant gain is to be expected from optimizations to the Montgomery multiplication code. Minor improvements can be expected from internally restructuring code to avoid the needless endianness conversions we do.

Some final modifications were made on the functionality (EOT, reset of symmetric key, …) this may add some cycles to the asymmetric part but the effect is negligible.

## Profile results: (Subdirectory names are abbreviated. as=asymmetric, ci=ciphers, pm=packman, …) (monmult = Montgomery Multiplication, monexp = Montgomery Exponentiation)

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| Function Name | File Name | Total no. of calls | Exclusive Count Total\* | After  (This Session) | %Change | Inclusive Count Total\* | After  (This Session | % Change | Optimization carried out |
| monmult | as/monmult.c | 4057 | 534M |  |  | 534.6M |  |  |  |
| monexp | as/monexp.c | 9 | 104K |  |  | 534.7M |  |  |  |
| mod\_inverse | as/monmult.c | 4057 | 503K | 400 | 99.92% | 503K | 400 | 99.92% | S1.modinv |
| *Multiple* | sts/\*.c |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | S1.keygetters |

**Optimization details:** (Optimization names follow the format “S(session number).keyword”.)  
**S1.modinv** is the removing of the unnecessary calculations of the least significant byte of the inverse of the modulus. This was performed for every Montgomery Multiplication, whilst it only has to be calculated once for every used modulus. There are 3 moduli in this application (master, slave and Diffie-Hellman) so this gives an improvement of (4057-3)/4057 = 99.9% or about 500K cycles, which is still incomparable to the heavyweight that is Montgomery Multiplication.  
  
In **S1.keygetters** we define the keys for master and slave directly in the right format (Little Endian), instead of using the given (Big Endian) vectors from Toledo. This allows us to remove the “getter”-functions that took some unnecessary cycles. We expected an insignificant improvement from this, but the situation has actually worsened: it now takes more cycles. We don’t really understand what happened. If we add getters that makes a saving the “getters” again the total cycles increases again with 168 cycles/getter. Master and slave use four of 8\*168=1344 cycles or 0.00025%.

## Discussion (important)

 We expect the change from 8 to 32 bit in the Montgomery Multiplication algorithm to give a huge performance increase. We’ll try to implement this by next session. Subsequently it can be interesting to rewrite parts of ‘monmult’ in assembly as the function takes roughly 132k cycles per call.

* The performance of the real-time component (the encryption/decryption using AES-OCB) is sufficient, so we will focus on the asymmetric crypto calculations.