

## Lab 7 Crypto Lab II: One-Way Hash Function and MAC

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### Lab Environment:

We will be using one VM for this VM\_1(10.0.2.15).

```

[04/06/2015 09:53] seed@ubuntu:~$ ifconfig
eth10    Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 08:00:27:4c:cf:61
         inet addr:10.0.2.15  Bcast:10.0.2.255  Mask:255.255.0
         inet6 addr: fe80::a00:27ff:fe4c:cf61/64  Scope:Link
         UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1500  Metric:1
         RX packets:59 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
         TX packets:114 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
         collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
         RX bytes:33134 (33.1 KB)  TX bytes:14927 (14.9 KB)

lo       Link encap:Local Loopback
         inet addr:127.0.0.1  Mask:255.0.0.0
         inet6 addr: ::1/128  Scope:Host
         UP LOOPBACK RUNNING  MTU:16436  Metric:1
         RX packets:23 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
         TX packets:23 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
         collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
         RX bytes:1920 (1.9 KB)  TX bytes:1920 (1.9 KB)

[04/06/2015 09:54] seed@ubuntu:~$ █

```

VM\_1(10.0.2.15)

## Installing OpenSSL:

OpenSSL is already downloaded into `/seed/home/openssl-1.0.1`, now we will configure it using the following commands:

```
$ /seed/openssl-1.0.1
```

```
$ ./config
```

*\$ make*

*\$ make test*

```
$ sudo make install
```

If we have /usr/local/ssl then our configuration ran successfully.

### Installing a hex editor:

A hex editor called 'GHex' is already installed and configured in our pre built VMs.

### 3 Lab Tasks

### 3.1 Task 1: Generating Message Digest and MAC

For the purpose of this task we will use the following file

```

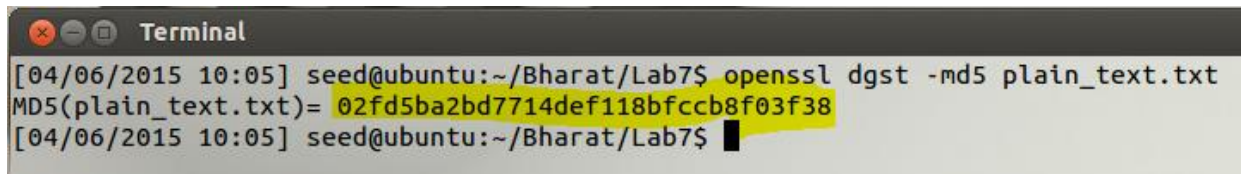
[04/06/2015 10:02] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ cat plain_text.txt
*****
*****
**
**
**      This is the plain text we will be using for encryption.
**
**
**      Demo for Lab7.
**
**
**      -Bharat
**
*****
*****
[04/06/2015 10:02] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ █

```

*plain text demo file.*

### Using md5 to generate hash:

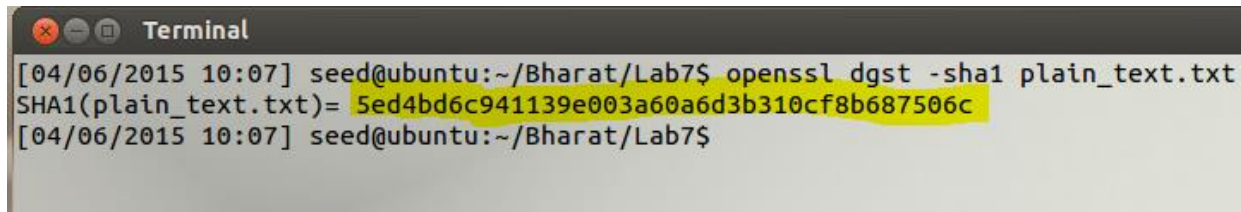
For this task we will be using the following command to generate a hash value of the above file:  
'openssl dgst -md5 plain\_text.txt'

A terminal window titled 'Terminal' showing a command prompt. The user 'seed' is at 'ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7\$'. They enter the command 'openssl dgst -md5 plain\_text.txt'. The output is 'MD5(plain\_text.txt)= 02fd5ba2bd7714def118bfccb8f03f38'. The prompt then shows the user has entered another command, which is partially visible as 'seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7\$'.

md5 message digest (32 characters)

### Using SHA1 to generate hash:

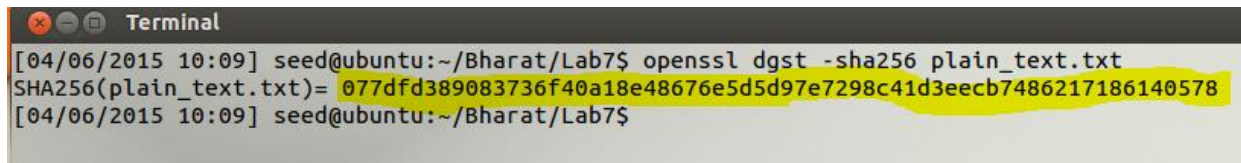
For this task we will be using the following command to generate a hash value of the above file:  
'openssl dgst -sha1 plain\_text.txt'

A terminal window titled 'Terminal' showing a command prompt. The user 'seed' is at 'ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7\$'. They enter the command 'openssl dgst -sha1 plain\_text.txt'. The output is 'SHA1(plain\_text.txt)= 5ed4bd6c941139e003a60a6d3b310cf8b687506c'. The prompt then shows the user has entered another command, which is partially visible as 'seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7\$'.

sha1 message digest (40 characters)

### Using SHA256 to generate hash:

For this task we will be using the following command to generate a hash value of the above file:  
'openssl dgst -sha256 plain\_text.txt'

A terminal window titled 'Terminal' showing a command prompt. The user 'seed' is at 'ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7\$'. They enter the command 'openssl dgst -sha256 plain\_text.txt'. The output is 'SHA256(plain\_text.txt)= 077dfd389083736f40a18e48676e5d5d97e7298c41d3eecb7486217186140578'. The prompt then shows the user has entered another command, which is partially visible as 'seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7\$'.

sha256 message digest(64 characters)

### Observation:

We can see that each hash generating algorithm gives us different number of bytes as output. Like md5 gives  $32 \times 4 = 128$  bits, SHA1 gives  $40 \times 4 = 160$  bits and sha256 gives  $64 \times 4 = 256$  bit outputs.

## 3.2 Task 2: Keyed Hash and HMAC

### HMAC using md5

For this task we will be using md5 message digest algorithm and 3 different key lengths with the following commands:

1. 'openssl dgst -md5 -hmac "abcdef" plain\_text.txt'
2. 'openssl dgst -md5 -hmac "qwerty uiopas dfghjk" plain\_text.txt'
3. 'openssl dgst -md5 -hmac "123456 789101 112131 415161 7181920 " plain\_text.txt'

```

Terminal
[04/06/2015 10:22] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -md5 -hmac "abcdef" plain_text.txt
HMAC-MD5(plain_text.txt)= 7f6a1c2c6aafb6f8469be913cb77bd07
[04/06/2015 10:22] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -md5 -hmac "qwerty uiopas dfghjk" plain_text.txt
HMAC-MD5(plain_text.txt)= 18698e4862b7a6496b42de1f9c70aba4
[04/06/2015 10:22] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -md5 -hmac "123456 789101 112131 415161 7181920" plain_text.txt
HMAC-MD5(plain_text.txt)= cfb9f5de36457b500f710bce8bfb64a3
[04/06/2015 10:22] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$

```

*hmac using md5*

### HMAC using SHA1

For this task we will be using SHA1 message digest algorithm and 3 different key lengths with the following commands:

1. 'openssl dgst -sha1 -hmac "abcdef" plain\_text.txt'
2. 'openssl dgst -sha1 -hmac "qwerty uiopas dfghjk" plain\_text.txt'
3. 'openssl dgst -sha1 -hmac "123456 789101 112131 415161 7181920" plain\_text.txt'

```

Terminal
[04/06/2015 10:25] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -sha1 -hmac "abcdef" plain_text.txt
HMAC-SHA1(plain_text.txt)= d38f0e9bd4c0e20ddac64c1acc2bca71eaf52da9
[04/06/2015 10:25] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -sha1 -hmac "qwerty uiopas dfghjk" plain_text.txt
HMAC-SHA1(plain_text.txt)= ed8487a227011fc99ba1a94e014628dd35ceb72b
[04/06/2015 10:25] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -sha1 -hmac "123456 789101 112131 415161 7181920" plain_text.txt
HMAC-SHA1(plain_text.txt)= d8dfce683c821d37341006e4a50749577e5bcde4
[04/06/2015 10:25] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$

```

*hmac using sha1*

### HMAC using SHA256

For this task we will be using SHA256 message digest algorithm and 3 different key lengths with the following commands:

1. 'openssl dgst -sha256 -hmac "abcdef" plain\_text.txt'
2. 'openssl dgst -sha256 -hmac "qwerty uiopas dfghjk" plain\_text.txt'
3. 'openssl dgst -sha256 -hmac "123456 789101 112131 415161 7181920" plain\_text.txt'

```

Terminal
[04/06/2015 10:27] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -sha256 -hmac "abcdef" plain_text.txt
HMAC-SHA256(plain_text.txt)= 82658b21ae9db81824b34fbd8afcdc53ee37144f582bab8c6258304146443255
[04/06/2015 10:27] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -sha256 -hmac "qwerty uiopas dfghjk" plain_text.txt
HMAC-SHA256(plain_text.txt)= 0a910d331ae7e0c9f39431cd249724b43445ebcca03a480b2e0aab53e9588f8f
[04/06/2015 10:27] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$ openssl dgst -sha256 -hmac "123456 789101 112131 415161 7181920" plain_text.txt
HMAC-SHA256(plain_text.txt)= 22e294ca6322db4c1d705b1ef66957f70813be401e0deb674a69ce4d6dd4ca88
[04/06/2015 10:28] seed@ubuntu:~/Bharat/Lab7$

```

*hmac using sha256*

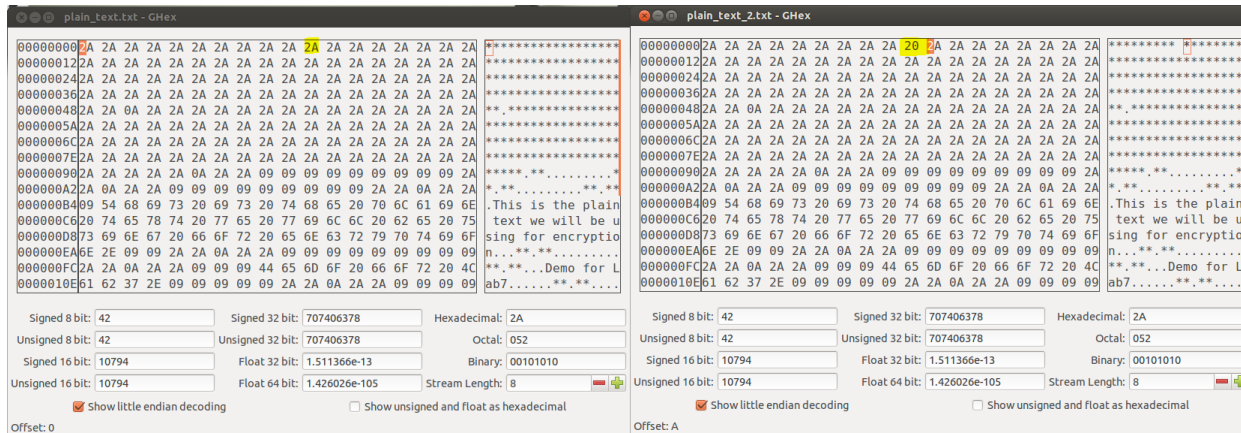
### Observation:

I used three key sizes with varied lengths and were either less than 64 bytes or greater than 64 bytes. Irrespective of the key size I used the output hash for md5 was 128 bits, for sha1 it was 160 bits and for sha 256 it was 256 bits. So we can say that we do not need any fixed key size for HMAC to work. However if the key size is greater than the hash length then the input is appended before hashed to get the respective hash length.

### 3.3 Task 3: The Randomness of One-way Hash

This task requires us to generate the hash of a file, then flip one bit in it, generate a hash again and then compare the two hash results generated.

We created two identical files namely plain\_text.txt and plain\_text\_2.txt and then flipped one bit in plain\_text\_2.txt as shown using Ghex.



flipped selected bit.

Now we will be using the following shell program to compare the hash values:

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
FILE1="plain_text.txt"
```

```
FILE2="plain_text_2.txt"
```

```
DIGEST="md5"
```

```
declare -u HASH1
```

```
declare -u HASH2
```

```
HASH1=`openssl dgst -$DIGEST $FILE1 | awk '{print $2}'`
```

```
HASH2=`openssl dgst -$DIGEST $FILE2 | awk '{print $2}'`
```

```
echo ""
```

```
echo "HASH($FILE1) : $HASH1"
```

```
echo "HASH($FILE2) : $HASH2"
```

```
echo ""
```

```
BITS1=`echo "ibase=16;obase=2;$HASH1" | bc`
```

```
BITS2=`echo "ibase=16;obase=2;$HASH2" | bc`
```

```
BITS1=`echo "$BITS1" | sed 's/\\r*/g`
```

```
BITS2=`echo "$BITS2" | sed 's/\\r*/g`
```

```
LEN=`expr length "$BITS1"`
```

```
declare -i B1
```

```
declare -i B2
```

```
DIFFCOUNT=0
```

```
MATCHCOUNT=0
```

```
for i in `seq 1 $LEN`
```

```
do
```

```
    B1=$(echo $BITS1 | awk "{print substr (\$0, \$i, 1)}")
```

```
    B2=$(echo $BITS2 | awk "{print substr (\$0, \$i, 1)}")
```

```
    if [ "$B1" -ne "$B2" ]
```

```
    then
```

```
        DIFFCOUNT=`expr $DIFFCOUNT + 1`
```

```
    else
```

```
        MATCHCOUNT=`expr $MATCHCOUNT + 1`
```



```

fi
done
TOTALCOUNT=`expr $DIFFCOUNT + $MATCHCOUNT`
echo "Different Bits Count : $DIFFCOUNT"
echo "Same Bits Count: $MATCHCOUNT"
echo "Total Bits Count: $TOTALCOUNT"
echo "Match percentage: $((($MATCHCOUNT * 100 / $TOTALCOUNT))%)"

```

Now let us see the program in action:

```

Terminal
[04/06/2015 17:53] root@ubuntu:/home/seed/Bharat/Lab7# ./count_random.sh

HASH(plain_text.txt) : 02FD5BA2BD7714DEF118BFCCB8F03F38
HASH(plain_text_2.txt) : AA0A8C9EDC8ED7CF6543A7FAC3B9B078

Different Bits Count : 61
Same Bits Count: 62
Total Bits Count: 123
Match percentage: 50%
[04/06/2015 17:53] root@ubuntu:/home/seed/Bharat/Lab7#

```

*md5 randomness check*

We can see that there is almost a 50% match in the hash bits generated. Now let us do the same using sha256 and check the result. We will be using the same program as above but in line3 change the mode from md5 to sha256.

```

Terminal
[04/06/2015 17:54] root@ubuntu:/home/seed/Bharat/Lab7# ./count_random.sh

HASH(plain_text.txt) : 077DFD389083736F40A18E48676E5D5D97E7298C41D3EECB748621718
6140578
HASH(plain_text_2.txt) : E3A07C94D75025585DD04687A2C11E13736029B07ECDB364D7A7E66
DFDA2A0CE

Different Bits Count : 116
Same Bits Count: 138
Total Bits Count: 254
Match percentage: 54%
[04/06/2015 17:55] root@ubuntu:/home/seed/Bharat/Lab7#

```

*sha256 randomness check*

#### Observation:

We can see that when we use sha256 and compare the hashes of the original file and a file with just one bit flipped we can see that the percentage of match is at 54%. AS we compare both the match percentages we find that the match has come done.

### 3.4 Task 4: One-Way Property versus Collision-Free Property

For checking this we shall be using the following program:

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <openssl/evp.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#define LEN 16 // 128 bits

void getHash(char * hashname, char *msg, unsigned char *md_value) {
    EVP_MD_CTX *mdctx;
    const EVP_MD *md;
    int md_len, i;

```

```

    OpenSSL_add_all_digests();
    md = EVP_get_digestbyname(hashname);
    if(!md) {
        printf("Unknown message digest %s\n", hashname);
        exit(1);
    }
    mdctx = EVP_MD_CTX_create();
    EVP_DigestInit_ex(mdctx, md, NULL);
    EVP_DigestUpdate(mdctx, msg, strlen(msg));
    EVP_DigestFinal_ex(mdctx, md_value, &md_len);
    EVP_MD_CTX_destroy(mdctx);
}

void setRndStr(char *msg) {
    int i;
    //1234 1234 1234 = 3bytes = 24 bits
    for (i=0;i<11;i++)
        msg[i] = rand()%256-128;
}

int BruteForceOneWay(char * hashname) {
    char msg1[11], msg2[11];
    unsigned char digt1[EVP_MAX_MD_SIZE], digt2[EVP_MAX_MD_SIZE];
    int count=0, i;
    setRndStr(msg1);
    getHash(hashname, msg1, digt1);
    do {
        setRndStr(msg2);
        getHash(hashname, msg2, digt2);
        count++;
    } while (strncmp(digt1, digt2, 3)!=0);
    printf("%d tries before same digest ", count);
    for(i = 0; i < 3; i++) printf("%02x", digt1[i]);
    printf("\n");
    return count;
}

int BruteForceCollision(char * hashname) {
    char msg1[11], msg2[11];
    unsigned char digt1[EVP_MAX_MD_SIZE], digt2[EVP_MAX_MD_SIZE];
    int count=0, i;
    do {
        setRndStr(msg1);
        getHash(hashname, msg1, digt1);
        setRndStr(msg2);
        getHash(hashname, msg2, digt2);
        count++;
    } while (strncmp(digt1, digt2, 3)!=0);
    printf("%d tries before same digest ", count);
    for(i = 0; i < 3; i++) printf("%02x", digt1[i]);
    printf("\n");
    return count;
}

```

```

}
main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char *hashname;
    unsigned char *key = (unsigned char *) malloc(sizeof(unsigned char)*LEN);
    FILE* random = fopen("/dev/urandom", "r");
    fread(key, sizeof(unsigned char)*LEN, 1, random);
    hashname = "md5";
    srand(atoi(key));
    int i,BFCcount,OWCcount;
    for (i=0,BFCcount=0;i<10;i++)
        BFCcount+=BruteForceCollision(hashname);
    printf("average trails before cracking collision-free: %d \n", BFCcount/10);

    for (i=0,OWCcount=0;i<10;i++)
        OWCcount+=BruteForceOneWay(hashname);
    printf("average trials before cracking one-way: %d \n", OWCcount/10);
    fclose(random);
}

```

The makefile contents are:

INC=/usr/local/ssl/include/

LIB=/usr/local/ssl/lib/

all:

gcc -I\$(INC) -L\$(LIB) -o one\_way\_vs\_collision\_free one\_way\_vs\_collision\_free.c -lcrypto -ldl

Now let us see the program in action:

```

[04/06/2015 18:25] root@ubuntu:/home/seed/Bharat/Lab7# make
gcc -I/usr/local/ssl/include/ -L/usr/local/ssl/lib/ -o one_way_vs_collision_free one_way_vs_collision_free.c -lcrypto -ldl
[04/06/2015 18:25] root@ubuntu:/home/seed/Bharat/Lab7# ./one_way_vs_collision_free clear
186 tries before same digest d41d8c
42938 tries before same digest 00e04d
72956 tries before same digest d41d8c
3289 tries before same digest d41d8c
19929 tries before same digest d41d8c
52023 tries before same digest d41d8c
16052 tries before same digest d41d8c
35152 tries before same digest d41d8c
13689 tries before same digest 00d6ce
8785 tries before same digest 00594f
average trails before cracking collision-free: 26499
7121085 tries before same digest 29fe08
19078494 tries before same digest f88688
278430 tries before same digest ea96c8
1285672 tries before same digest 31d9dc
8351539 tries before same digest 4922b9
8261845 tries before same digest 59383c
18002998 tries before same digest b1c36a
36789256 tries before same digest 3b3af8
8517958 tries before same digest 202f52
13417077 tries before same digest b9ec78
average trials before cracking one-way: 12110435
[04/06/2015 18:41] root@ubuntu:/home/seed/Bharat/Lab7#

```

Bruteforce collision-free vs One-way

### Observation:

The average number of trials brute force had to run to crack collision-free property is: **26499**.

The average number of trials brute force had to run to crack one-way hash property is: **12110435**.

Based on the observation we have we can say that it is considerably difficult to crack one-way property on comparison with collision free property.

#### **Difference between oneway hash and collision free property:**

There are three classical properties for a good cryptographic hash function:

- **Resistance to preimages:** given  $x$ , it should be infeasible to find  $m$  such that  $h(m) = x$ . In simple terms we are given the output and the challenge is to find a matching input.
- **Resistance to second preimages:** given  $m$ , it should be infeasible to find  $m'$  distinct from  $m$ , such that  $h(m) = h(m')$ . In simple terms we are given the output and an input the challenge is to find another matching input.
- **Resistance to collisions:** it should be infeasible to find  $m$  and  $m'$ , distinct from each other, such that  $h(m) = h(m')$ . Also can be said as given a output and an input the challenge is to find any matching output.

Without exploiting any weakness in the hash function itself, the generic methods for finding preimages, second preimages, and collisions, for a hash function with a  $n$ -bit output, have cost roughly  $2^n$  (for preimages and second preimages) and  $2^{n/2}$  (for collisions). Finding collisions is thus vastly easier. For preimages, when using the brute force, each try has probability  $2^{-n}$  to succeed.

Collisions is similar to the birthday attack (discussed in the class and is if you take 20 people at random, chances are high that two of them will have the same birthday. On the other hand, if you want to find someone with the same birthday than *you*, then you will have to sample through 365 people on average basically, once you have accumulated about  $\sqrt{2^n}$  pairs input/output, the probability of two of those pairs having the same output rises quite fast.

**Base Line is that for brute force success for One way:  $2^n$  and that for Collision free is  $2^{n/2}$ .**

#### **Reference for last question:**

<http://cacr.uwaterloo.ca/hac/about/chap9.pdf>

<http://crypto.stackexchange.com/questions/8773/difference-between-one-way-function-and-cryptographic-hash-function>