

ASCII Signature Encryptor/Decryptor Python project using Tkinter and cryptography:

Project Overview

This GUI tool allows users to:

1. Generate an **ASCII art signature** from their name and the current timestamp.
 2. **Encrypt** this ASCII art using a short password and **save** it securely.
 3. Later, the user can **decrypt** the file using the same password and view the original ASCII signature.
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Modules & Libraries Used

Library	Purpose
tkinter	GUI creation (buttons, labels, text fields)
pyfiglet	Create stylized ASCII art from text
datetime	Add timestamp to the signature
cryptography	Perform secure encryption/decryption using Fernet & PBKDF2HMAC
os	Create directories, work with file paths
base64	Encode encryption keys safely for Fernet

Cryptographic Flow

password_to_key(password, salt)

- Uses PBKDF2HMAC to convert a **user password** into a 32-byte key.
- Key is safe to use with Fernet for encryption.
- Salt adds randomness and is stored in the encrypted file.

encrypt_text(text, key)

- Uses Fernet to **encrypt the ASCII signature** using the derived key.

decrypt_file_gui(file_path, password)

- Reads the salt + encrypted content from the file.

- Reconstructs the key from the password + salt.
 - Decrypts the ASCII signature.
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GUI Components

◆ Top Fields

- name_entry: Input field to type the name.
- password_entry: Field for password input during encryption (hidden with *).

◆ Buttons

- **Encrypt & Save Signature:**
 - Generates ASCII.
 - Encrypts using password.
 - Saves file and displays ASCII and encrypted string.
- **Decrypt Signature:**
 - Asks for file to decrypt.
 - Prompts password in popup.
 - Decrypts and displays ASCII.

◆ Text Boxes

- ascii_text_box: Shows the generated ASCII art.
 - encrypted_text_box: Shows base64-encrypted data.
 - decrypted_text_box: Shows the decrypted signature after correct password.
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Code Section Breakdown

◆ Import Libraries

```
import tkinter as tk
```

```
from tkinter import ...
```

- All GUI and crypto-related libraries.
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◆ **Crypto Functions**

```
def password_to_key(password, salt): ...
```

```
def encrypt_text(text, key): ...
```

```
def decrypt_file_gui(file_path, password): ...
```

- These handle key derivation, encryption, decryption.
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◆ **Signature Generator**

```
def generate_ascii_signature(name): ...
```

- Uses pyfiglet and adds a timestamp to make each signature unique.
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◆ **Encrypt Action**

```
def encrypt_action(): ...
```

- Gets name & password → creates ASCII → encrypts → saves to file → updates GUI boxes.
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◆ **Decrypt Action**

```
def decrypt_action(): ...
```

- File dialog opens → password is prompted → file decrypted and displayed.
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◆ **GUI Setup**

```
root = tk.Tk()
```

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...
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```
root.mainloop()
```

- Places all UI elements and controls window behavior.
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✅ Features Summary

Feature	Description
Password Encryption	User provides password; key is derived securely
Salt-Based Protection	Random salt ensures security even with same password
Time-stamped ASCII Signatures	Makes each signature unique
File Dialog + Password Prompt	User-friendly decryption experience
Fixed Output Folder	Files saved automatically to a predefined directory
GUI Feedback	Success and error popups, auto-filled output boxes

💡 Suggestions for Improvement

Idea	Benefit
Add "Open Folder" after save	Quick access to encrypted file
Checkbox to show/hide password	Better user experience
Save encrypted+decrypted logs	Record history of actions
Export ASCII to .png (image)	Visual saving of signatures
