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### **LAB ASSIGNMENT NO:13**

Aim: Explore the GPG tool of linux to implement email security.

<u>Lab Outcome Attained:</u> Demonstrate the network security system using open source tools.

### **Theory:**

1. What is private key ring and public key ring?

A 'private keyring' and a 'public keyring' typically refer to collections or sets of cryptographic keys, particularly in the context of public-key cryptography. These terms are often used when discussing secure communication, encryption, and digital signatures. Here's what each term means:

# **Private Keyring:**

A private keyring is a collection of private keys associated with a user or entity.

Private keys are a fundamental component of public-key cryptography. They are secret keys that are kept confidential by the owner.

Private keys are used for tasks like decrypting data that has been encrypted with the corresponding public key, digitally signing documents, and proving the identity of the key's owner.

Protecting private keys is critical because if they are compromised, an attacker can impersonate the key's owner, decrypt encrypted data, and potentially cause security breaches.

# Public Keyring:

A public keyring is a collection of public keys that are associated with users or entities and are made available to the public or other users.

Public keys are derived from private keys using mathematical algorithms and can be freely shared.

Public keys are used by others to encrypt data intended for the owner of the corresponding private key and to verify digital signatures generated by that private key.

Public keys are not confidential and can be distributed widely. They are a

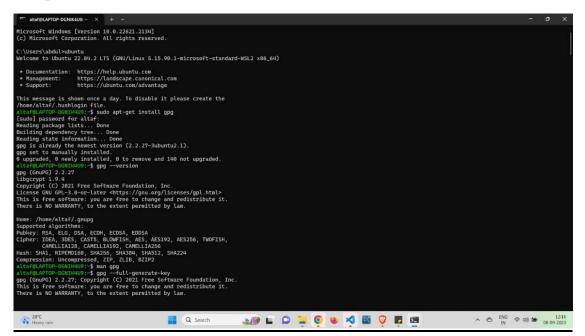
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fundamental part of secure communication and identity verification in public-key cryptography systems.

2. Write the commands used for key generation, export and import of keys and signing and encrypting the message in gpg tool.

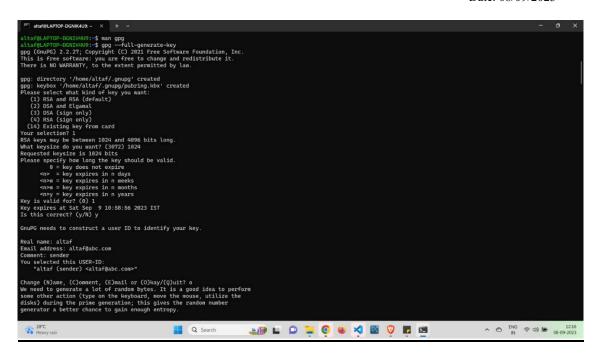
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gpg --gen-key or gpg -full-generate-key
gpg --export -a username>filename (creates file in ascii format) or
gpg --output filename --armor --export user's_email
gpg --import their_public_key.asc Or gpg --import their_private_key.asc
gpg --sign-key receiver_email
gpg --encrypt -r receiver_email name_of_file
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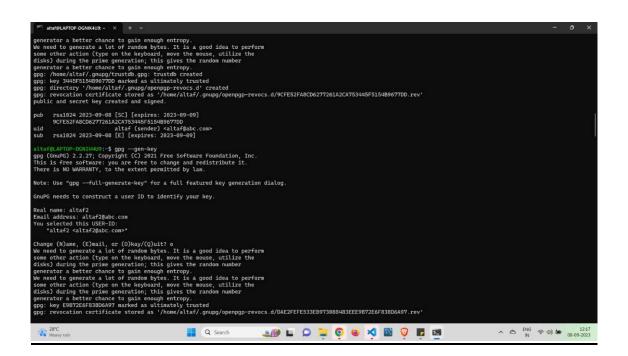
# **Output Screenshots:**



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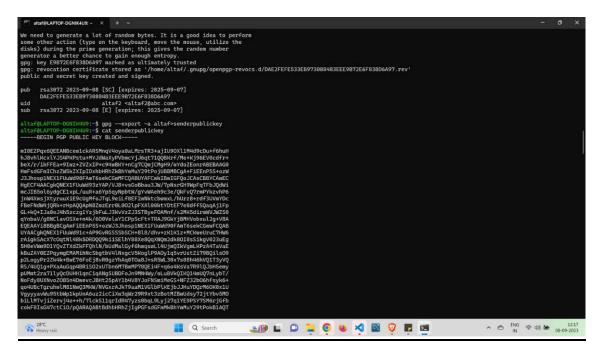
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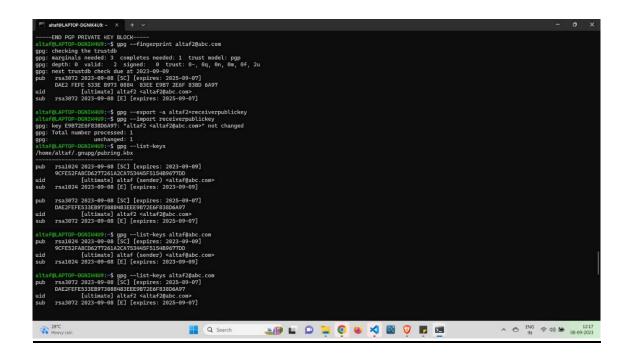




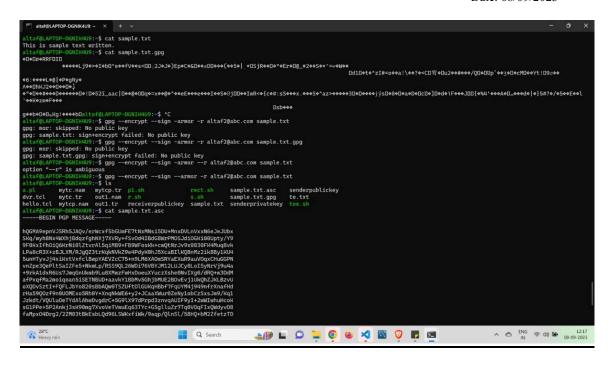
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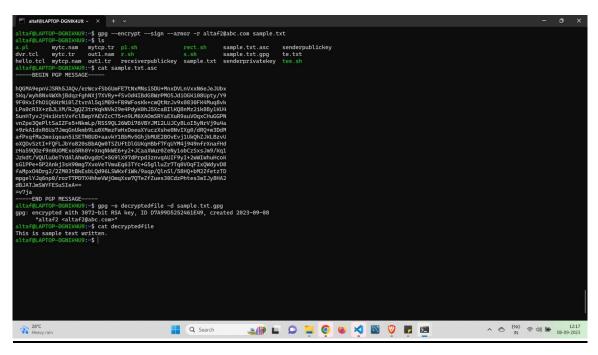
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Conclusion: This experiment with the GnuPG tool for PGP (Pretty Good Privacy) has demonstrated its effectiveness in securing digital communication through encryption and digital signatures. We successfully generated key pairs, encrypted and decrypted messages, and verified digital signatures. This powerful tool provides a robust framework for ensuring the confidentiality, integrity, and authenticity of sensitive data in the realm of secure communication.