

# Application of Cryptography

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This cryptography application implements **pretty good privacy** protocol to encrypt and decrypt plaintext

Pretty Good Privacy (PGP) is an encryption program that provides cryptographic privacy and authentication for data communication.<sup>1</sup>

Sender encrypt:

1. plaintext --> padding --> AES256(aes\_key, aes\_iv) encrypt = ciphertext
2. aes\_key --> RSA2048(dst\_public.pem) encrypt = encrypted\_aes\_key
3. ciphertext + encrypt\_aes\_key --> RSA2048(send\_private.pem) sign = signature
4. signature + encrypted\_aes\_key + aes\_iv + ciphertext = output\_ciphertext

Destination decrypt:

1. output\_ciphertext --> verify signature using RSA2048(send\_public.pem)
2. encrypted\_aes\_key --> RSA2048(dst\_private.pem) = aes\_key
3. ciphertext --> AES256(aes\_key, aes\_iv) --> unpadding = output\_plaintext

## Details

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### Generate two pairs of RSA keys for encrypt and signature

keysize: 2048

```
1 >> openssl genrsa -out send_private.pem 2048
2 >> openssl genrsa -out dst_private.pem 2048
3 >> openssl rsa -in send_private.pem -outform PEM -pubout -out
  send_public.pem
4 >> openssl rsa -in dst_private.pem -outform PEM -pubout -out
  dst_public.pem
```

## Sender Encrypt

plaintext --> padding = padder\_data

padding block: 128

```
1 | plaintext = f.read()
2 | padder = padding.PKCS7(algorithms.AES.block_size).padder()
3 | padded_data = padder.update(plaintext) + padder.finalize()
```

AES encrypt:

keysize: 256 bits; initial vector: 128 bits

mode: CBC

```
1 | # key and iv for AES cbc mode
2 | aes_key = os.urandom(32)
3 | aes_iv = os.urandom(16)
4 | # AES cbc mode
5 | cipher = Cipher(algorithms.AES(aes_key), modes.CBC(aes_iv),
6 |                 backend=default_backend())
7 | encryptor = cipher.encryptor()
8 | ciphertext_1 = encryptor.update(padded_data) + encryptor.finalize()
```

RSA (dst\_public.pem) encrypt aes\_key using OAEP padding

```
1 | encrypted_aes_key = public_key.encrypt(
2 |     aes_key,
3 |     asyc_padding.OAEP(
4 |         mgf=asyc_padding.MGF1(algorithm=hashes.SHA1()),
5 |         algorithm=hashes.SHA1(),
6 |         label=None
7 |     )
8 | )
```

Use RSA(send\_private.pem) to sign ciphertext + aes\_iv + encrypted\_aes\_key = signature

```

1 message = base64.b64encode(encrypted_aes_key) + '\n' + \
2         base64.b64encode(aes_iv) + '\n' + \
3         base64.b64encode(ciphertext_1)
4
5 signature = private_key.sign(
6     message,
7     asyc_padding.PSS(
8         mgf=asyc_padding.MGF1(hashes.SHA256()),
9         salt_length=asyc_padding.PSS.MAX_LENGTH
10    ),
11    hashes.SHA256()
12 )

```

signature + encrypted\_aes\_key + aes\_iv + ciphertext = output\_ciphertext

```

1 with open(OUTPUT_FILE_NAME, 'wb') as f:
2     f.write(base64.b64encode(signature))
3     f.write('\n' + message)

```

## Destination Decrypt

output\_ciphertext --> verify signature using RSA2048(send\_public.pem)

```

1 public_key.verify(
2     signature,
3     signed_message,
4     asyc_padding.PSS(
5         mgf=asyc_padding.MGF1(hashes.SHA256()),
6         salt_length=asyc_padding.PSS.MAX_LENGTH
7     ),
8     hashes.SHA256()
9 )

```

encrypted\_aes\_key --> RSA2048(dst\_private.pem) = aes\_key

```

1  # decrypt the aes key
2  aes_key = private_key.decrypt(
3      encrypted_aes_key,
4      asyc_padding.OAEP(
5          mgf=asyc_padding.MGF1(algorithm=hashes.SHA1()),
6          algorithm=hashes.SHA1(),
7          label=None
8      )
9  )

```

ciphertext --> AES256(aes\_key, aes\_iv) --> unpadding = output\_plaintext

```

1  cipher = Cipher(algorithms.AES(aes_key), modes.CBC(aes_iv),
2                  backend=default_backend())
3  decryptor = cipher.decryptor()
4  res = decryptor.update(ciphertext) + decryptor.finalize()
5  # unpadding
6  unpadder = padding.PKCS7(algorithms.AES.block_size).unpadder()
7  plaintext = unpadder.update(res) + unpadder.finalize()

```