



## Comparative Study Of Different Cryptographic Algorithms

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**Abstract--** Due to development of network technologies it is easy to send and receive any type of information. The data or information may be related to banking system, government or military. This confidential information can be leaked or stole by unauthorized person. So for this security is an impotent issue for confidential information. For security three aspect are required:- confidentiality, integrity & availability. ITUT recommended mechanism of encipherment. Encipherment refers to hiding or covering the data using key. Encipherment is classified into two categories:- cryptography and steganography. Cryptography is process of changing plaintext into cipher text which is not understandable by unauthorized or intruders. This paper is based on different algorithms used for cryptography and their comparative study. Cryptography uses two types of algorithms; symmetric key algorithm and asymmetric key algorithm.

### I. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of network security is essential to prevent loss, through misuse of data. Cryptography<sup>[1]</sup> is Greek word whose meaning is secret writing. Cryptography is process of converting text into another form that is not understandable by eve. Encryption<sup>[2]</sup> is process of converting plaintext to cipher text using key. Decryption<sup>[3]</sup> is process of converting cipher text to plaintext by using key which is given by sender. Encryption is done on sender side and decryption is done on receiver side.

**Keywords:** network, security, cryptographic, algorithm

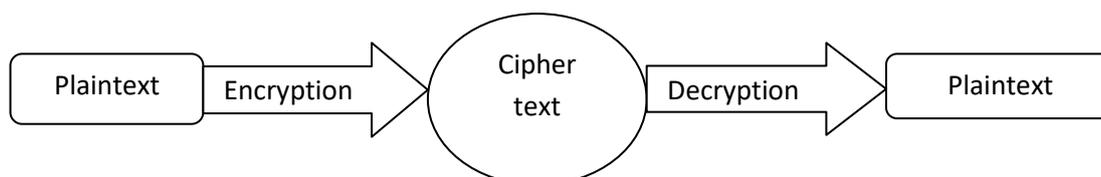


Fig. 1: Process of cryptography

Cryptography uses two types of algorithms:-

- Symmetric key algorithm
- Asymmetric key algorithm

#### 1. Symmetric key algorithm

In this algorithm only one key which is private key is used on both sides that is sender and receiver. This is also called shared key algorithm because both sides use same key. The private key is generated by Alice and send to Bob for decryption. This key must be kept secret so that eve cannot stole the information. There are different symmetric<sup>[4]</sup> key algorithms.

**(a).DES :-** Data Encryption Standard is a symmetric key block cipher published by National Institute of Standard and Technology (NIST)<sup>[6]</sup>. DES<sup>[7]</sup> uses 64 bit plaintext and 56 bit key to generate 64 bit cipher text .Encryption is made by two permutations initial and final. DES uses feistelcipher<sup>[8]</sup>, which divides a block into two equal halves. This uses 16 rounds for encryption. This main reason of failure of DES is: The key used in it is very small that is 56 bit which is easy to break by using brute force attack<sup>[9]</sup>.

**(b).Triple DES:-** After DES IBM develop Triple DES<sup>[10]</sup> which works same as DES but main difference is that Triple DES use 3 keys, each key is of 64 bit and entire length of key is 192 bits. Although it is more secure than DES but it is also breakable by brute force attack.

**(c).AES:-** Advanced encryption standard<sup>[11]</sup> is a symmetric key block cipher was published by national institute of standards and technology in December 2001. AES is non festal cipher so it is not divide block into two equal parts. It encrypt and decrypt a block of 128 bits. AES convert plaintext into cipher text by using 4\*4 array of bytes .the key size can brief 128,192 or 256 bits depend on no. of rounds which are 10,12 or 14 respectively. AES is more secure than DES. This algorithm use number of rounds for complete the process that's why it consume more time than DES.

#### 3. Asymmetric key algorithm

In asymmetric<sup>[5]</sup> key algorithm two different key are used that is public key and private key public key is used on sender side for encryption and private key is used on

receiver side for decryption. Asymmetric key algorithm is based on personal secrecy.

In asymmetric cryptography different algorithm are used like RSA,ElGamal cryptosystem and Elliptic Curve cryptosystem .

**(a).RSA:-**RSA<sup>[12]</sup> is the common public key algorithm invented by Ron Rivest ,AdiShamin and Len Adleman. In RSA two keys are used public key is used by Alice for encryption and this key is known to all, private key is used by Bob for decryption and is known to only Bob .in this two formulate are used for encryption and decryption.

$$C=P^e \text{ mod } n$$

Where c is cipher text P and Q any prime no. and e is public key which must be greater than 1 and less than (p-1)(q-1) n is p\*q and P is plaintext decryption.

$$P=C^d \text{ mod } n$$

**4. The comparison table is given below:-**

Table: Comparison Table

Parameters	DES	Triple DES	AES	RSA	ElGamal Cryptosystem	Elliptic curve cryptosystem
Designers	IBM	IBM	Vincent Rijmen,JoanDaemen	Ron Rivest,AdiShamir,LeonardAdleman	TaherElGamal	Neal Koblitz,Victor S. Miller
Published Year	1975	1998	1998	1977	1985	1985
Type	Symmetric	Symmetric	Symmetric	Asymmetric	Asymmetric	Asymmetric
Rounds	16	48 DES-equivalent rounds	10,12,14 depend on key size	No rounds	No rounds	No rounds
Key size	56 bits(+8 parity bits)	168,112 or 56 bits	128,192 or 256	1024 to 4096	>1024	>1024
Block size	64 bits	64 bits	128 bits	Depend on key size	Depend on key size	Depend on key size
Network type	Feistel cipher	Feistel cipher	Non-feistel	Common network	Common network	Common network
Speed	Fast	Fast than DES	Fast than triple DES	Very fast	Very fast	Very fast
Security	Breakable by brute force attack	Also breakable by brute force attack	Secure than DES	Secure	Secure	More secure

**5. Conclusion:-**

This paper present different key algorithms of symmetric and asymmetric like DES,3DES,AES ,RSA,ElGamal and Elliptic curve algorithm. All algorithms have their own pros and cons. AES is symmetric is more secure and fast, although it needs more processing power. Also in asymmetric, RSA is secure but it use many large keys so its complexity increases that's why we use ElGamal

P is plaintext , c is cipher text,d is private key which is known by only Bob and n is p\*q where p,q is prime number.

**(b).ElGamalCryptosystem :-**ElGamal Cryptosystem<sup>[13]</sup> is another public key crypto system invented by TaherElgamal. ElGamal cryptosystem is based on the discrete logarithm problem<sup>[15]</sup>. The ElGamal key pair generation is simple than RSA. In ElGamal 2048 bits key size can also used. The main application of ElGamal cryptosystem is key exchange where two parties can exchange the keys, authentication and encryption and decryption of small message. It is new in market and is not widely used.

**(c).Elliptic Curve Cryptosystem:-**Elliptic Curve Cryptosystem<sup>[14]</sup> is more secure asymmetric cryptosystem then RSA and ElGamal,develop for more security and simplicity with smaller key size. This algorithm isdesigned on elliptic curves for security. The main benefits of elliptic curve cryptosystem are- It iseasy of key management and it has efficient computation.

asymmetric cryptosystem, Elliptic curve replaces ElGamal also but it is new in market and use discrete logarithmic problem.

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