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# Lecture 09 Applications

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# **1.** The Client-Server architecture

A Client-Server architecture involves two parties, a Server which is a daemon running on a computer with an open Transport Layer port. A Client requiring service connect to that port and depending on the application share information.



Illustration 1: Client-Server architecture

Illustration 1 Has two routers acting as the Internet. On *svr1* run the Server and on *lap1* the client.

#### svr1

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.46202/svr1.conf# cd /home/nte/TEL-3214-exercises/code root@svr1:/home/nte/TEL-3214-exercises/code# ./ccnd.py 5050

Welcome to the TEL-3214 Computer Communication Networks daemon (ccnd) This program is designed to give students an understanding of the client/server architecture through a simple TCP Socket.

Starting TCP Server on 5050

Connected by ('10.0.0.20', 49655) Sending received data back to ccnc at 10.0.0.20

#### lap1

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.46202/svr1.conf# cd /home/nte/TEL-3214-exercises/code root@lap1:/home/nte/TEL-3214-exercises/code# ./ccnc.py 10.0.2.10 5050

Welcome to the TEL-3214 Computer Communication Networks client (ccnc) This program is designed to give students an understanding of the client/server architecture through a simple TCP Socket.

IP Addr: 10.0.2.10 Port# 5050

What message do you want to pass?: This is a TCP message

Sending message to server at 10.0.2.10 on port number: 5050

Received back: This is a TCP message

## 2. TCP Flow

#### 2.1 TCP Socket Connection

To understand the Client-Server architecture it is essential to understand the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) flow.



Initially a TCP SYNc (SYN) message is sent from from Client to Server.

```
Frame 1: 74 bytes on wire (592 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 08:00:27:9d:3b:da Dst: 34:e6:ad:05:51:bd
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.100, Dst: 192.1.1.1
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 57567, Dst Port: 5560, Seq: 0, Len: 0
Header length: 40 bytes
Flags: 0x002 (SYN)
Window size value: 29200
Checksum: 0x1034
Options: Max segment size, SACK permitted, Tstamps, No-Operation (NOP), Window
scale
```

This is responded to with a TCP SYN/ACKnowledge (ACK) from the Server to the Client.

```
Frame 2: 74 bytes on wire (592 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 34:e6:ad:05:51:bd, Dst: 08:00:27:9d:3b:da
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.1, Dst: 192.1.1.100
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 5560, Dst Port: 57567, Seq: 0, Ack: 1, Len: 0
Header length: 40 bytes
Flags: 0x012 (SYN, ACK)
Window size value: 28960
Checksum: 0x52b2
Options: Max segment size, SACK permitted, Tstamps, No-Operation (NOP), Window
scale
```

The Client sends the Server an ACK and the parameters of the connection are agreed.

Frame 3: 66 bytes on wire (528 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 08:00:27:9d:3b:da Dst: 34:e6:ad:05:51:bd
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.100, Dst: 192.1.1.1
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 57567, Dst Port: 5560, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 0
Header length: 32 bytes
Flags: 0x010 (ACK)
Window size value: 229
Checksum: 0xf1b9
Options: No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Tstamps

# 2.2 TCP Writes and Reads



Illustration 3: TCP Writes and Reads

The Client sends the server the data as a PuSH (PSH), ACK message.

```
Frame 4: 87 bytes on wire (696 bits), 87 bytes captured (696 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 08:00:27:9d:3b:da Dst: 34:e6:ad:05:51:bd
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.100, Dst: 192.1.1.1
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 57567, Dst Port: 5560, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 21
    Header length: 32 bytes
    Flags: 0x018 (PSH, ACK)
    Window size value: 229
    Checksum: 0xf372
    Options: No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Tstamps
Data (21 bytes)
0000 54 68 69 73 20 69 73 20 61 20 54 43 50 20 6d 65
    This is a TCP me
0010 73 73 61 67 65
    Ssage
```

```
Frame 5: 66 bytes on wire (528 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 34:e6:ad:05:51:bd, Dst: 08:00:27:9d:3b:da
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.1, Dst: 192.1.1.100
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 5560, Dst Port: 57567, Seq: 1, Ack: 22, Len: 0
Source port: 5560
Destination port: 57567
Sequence number: 1
Acknowledgment number: 22
Header length: 32 bytes
Flags: 0x010 (ACK)
Window size value: 227
Checksum: 0xf1a6
Options: No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Tstamps
```

#### The Server then resends the data back to the Client as a PSH, ACK message.

```
Frame 6: 87 bytes on wire (696 bits), 87 bytes captured (696 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 34:e6:ad:05:51:bd, Dst: 08:00:27:9d:3b:da
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.1, Dst: 192.1.1.100
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 5560, Dst Port: 57567, Seq: 1, Ack: 22, Len:
21
     Header length: 32 bytes
    Flags: 0x018 (PSH, ACK)
    Window size value: 227
     Checksum: 0xf35f
     Options: No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Tstamps
Data (21 bytes)
0000 54 68 69 73 20 69 73 20 61 20 54 43 50 20 6d 65
     This is a TCP me
0010 73 73 61 67 65
     Ssage
```

The Client sends an ACK to confirm the received data.

```
Frame 7: 66 bytes on wire (528 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 08:00:27:9d:3b:da Dst: 34:e6:ad:05:51:bd
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.100, Dst: 192.1.1.1
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 57567, Dst Port: 5560, Seq: 22, Ack: 22, Len:
0
Header length: 32 bytes
Flags: 0x011 (FIN, ACK)
Window size value: 229
Checksum: 0xf18e [validation disabled]
Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Tstamps
```

## 2.3 TCP Close



Illustration 4: TCP Close

To close the connection the Client sends a FIN, ACK message to the Server.

```
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.100, Dst: 192.1.1.1
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 57567, Dst Port: 5560, Seq: 22, Ack: 22, Len:
0
Header length: 32 bytes
Flags: 0x011 (FIN, ACK)
Window size value: 229
Checksum: 0xf18e [validation disabled]
Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Tstamps
```

This is responded to with a corresponding FIN, ACK message.

Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.1, Dst: 192.1.1.100
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 5560, Dst Port: 57567, Seq: 22, Ack: 23, Len:
0
Header length: 32 bytes
Flags: 0x011 (FIN, ACK)
Window size value: 227
Checksum: 0xf18f
Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Tstamps

Finally the Client closes the connection by sending an ACK to the Server.

```
Frame 10: 66 bytes on wire (528 bits) on interface 0
Ethernet II, Src: 08:00:27:9d:3b:da Dst: 34:e6:ad:05:51:bd
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.1.1.100, Dst: 192.1.1.1
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 57567, Dst Port: 5560, Seq: 23, Ack: 23, Len:
0
Header length: 32 bytes
Flags: 0x010 (ACK)
Window size value: 229
Checksum: 0xf18d [validation disabled]
Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Tstamps
```

### 2.4 TCP Socket Daemon

The TCP Socket daemon is a demonstration tool

The program can be given a TCP port number at the beginning or can used the preprogrammed port of **5010**.

```
try:
    tcp_port = sys.argv[1]
except:
    tcp_port = '5010'
```

It then validates the port number, i.e that it is between 5001 and 9999.

```
tcp_port = tcp_port.strip()
try:
    tcp_port = int(tcp_port)
except:
    print "\nPort number is not valid use the following format"
    print sys.argv[0], "[<port 5001-9999 | 5010>]"
    sys.exit()
if tcp_port < 5001 or tcp_port > 9999:
    print "\nPort number is not valid use the following format"
    print sys.argv[0], "[<port 5001-9999 | 5010>]"
    sys.exit()
print "Starting TCP Server on", tcp_port, "\n"
```

If all is OK the program then attempts to create a socket on the selected port number and remain open for all IP addresses on the system.

```
s = None
for sai in socket.getaddrinfo(ip_addr, tcp_port, socket.AF_UNSPEC, socket.SOCK_STREAM,
0, socket.AI_PASSIVE):
    addr_family, sock_type, proto, canonical_name, sock_addr = sai
    try:
        s = socket.socket(addr_family, sock_type, proto)
    except socket.error as msg:
        s = None
        continue
    trv:
        s.bind(sock_addr)
        s.listen(1)
    except socket.error as msg:
        s.close()
        s = None
        continue
    break
if s is None:
    print 'could not open socket'
    sys.exit(1)
```

If an client binds to the socket, then a message is printed out telling of the connection. It receives until the client selects the enter key when it sends the data right back to the client. Once complete the connection is closed.

```
conn, addr = s.accept()
print 'Connected by', addr
while 1:
    data = conn.recv(1024)
    if not data: break
    print "Sending received data back to ccnc at", addr[0], "\n"
    conn.send(data)
conn.close()
```

# 2.5 TCP Client

The client gets the IP address and Port number of the server from the initial running of the command.

```
try:
    ip_addr = sys.argv[1]
    tcp_port = sys.argv[2]
except:
    print "\nIncorrect format"
    print sys.argv[0], "<ip addr> <port 5001-9999 | 5010>"
    sys.exit()
```

It then validates the IP address.

```
def is_valid_ipv4_address(ip_addr):
    try:
        socket.inet_pton(socket.AF_INET, ip_addr)
    except socket.error:
        return False
    return True
def is_valid_ipv6_address(ip_addr):
    try:
        socket.inet_pton(socket.AF_INET6, ip_addr)
   except socket.error:
        return False
    return True
if (is_valid_ipv4_address(ip_addr) == False and is_valid_ipv6_address(ip_addr) ==
False):
   print "\nIP address is not valid use the following format"
   print sys.argv[0], "<ip addr> <port 5001-9999 | 5010>"
    sys.exit()
```

After testing the IP address it validates the given Port number.

```
tcp_port = tcp_port.strip()
try:
    tcp_port = int(tcp_port)
except:
    print "\nPort number is not valid use the following format"
    print sys.argv[0], "<ip addr> <port 5001-9999 | 5010>"
    sys.exit()
if tcp_port < 5001 or tcp_port > 9999:
    print "\nPort number is not valid use the following format"
    print sys.argv[0], "<ip addr> <port 5001-9999 | 5010>"
    sys.exit()
print "IP Addr: ", ip_addr, "Port#", tcp_port, "\n"
```

The client then asks the user for a message.

message = raw\_input('What message do you want to pass?: ')

It then attempts to bind with the Socket.

```
s = None
for sai in socket.getaddrinfo(ip_addr, tcp_port, socket.AF_UNSPEC, socket.SOCK_STREAM,
0, socket.AI_PASSIVE):
    addr_family, sock_type, proto, canonical_name, sock_addr = sai
    try:
        s = socket.socket(addr_family, sock_type, proto)
    except socket.error as msg:
        s = None
        continue
    try:
        s.connect(sock_addr)
    except socket.error as msg:
        s.close()
        s = None
        continue
    break
if s is None:
    print 'could not open socket'
    sys.exit(1)
If this is successful then the message is sent to the server.
print "\nSending message to server at", ip_addr, "on port number:", tcp_port
s.sendall(message)
```

A reply is received from the server, it is the message repeated back and is then printed to the Client terminal.

data = s.recv(1024)
s.close()
print '\nReceived back: ', data

# 3. Secure Shell (SSH)

Secure Shell (SSH) is the connectivity tool for remote login. It encrypts all traffic to eliminate eavesdropping, connection hijacking, and other attacks. In addition, SSH provides a large suite of secure tunnelling capabilities, several authentication methods, and sophisticated configuration options.

SSH consists of the following tools:

- Server side consists of:
  - SSH Daemon (**sshd**)
  - Secure File Transfer Protocol (**sftp-server**)
  - **ssh-agent** creates a socket and then checks the connections from ssh.
- Remote operations are carried out using:
  - ssh for remote login
  - sftp
  - Secure Copy (scp).
- Key management is achieved with
  - ssh-add
  - ssh-keysign
  - ssh-keyscan
  - ssh-keygen.

### 3.1 SSH

Looking at an example of a connection from the Client *lap1* to the Server *svr1*. Note the user gets full shell access to the Server.

```
root@lap1:/root# ssh nte@10.0.2.10
The authenticity of host '10.0.2.10 (10.0.2.10)' can't be established.
RSA key fingerprint is 53:c2:a2:55:1d:ed:de:16:2a:33:1a:42:7c:e9:4a:84.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.0.2.10' (RSA) to the list of known hosts.
nte@10.0.2.10's password: nte
The programs included with the Debian GNU/Linux system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.
Debian GNU/Linux comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent
permitted by applicable law.
nte@svr1:~$ id
uid=1001(nte) gid=1001(nte) groups=1001(nte), 27(sudo), 128(wireshark)
nte@svr1:~$ ip -4 addr list
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group
default
    inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
31: eth0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc pfifo_fast state
UP group default qlen 1000
    inet 10.0.2.10/24 scope global eth0
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
```

## 3.2 SFTP

SFTP is a really useful tool for securely transferring files to and from Servers. In the example a 10 MB is created on the Client *Iap1* and is transferred to the Server *svr1*.

lap1

Create a 10 MB file as a test file and confirm its existence and size.

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# dd if=/dev/zero of=10mb_file_test_file
bs=10485760 count=1
1+0 records in
1+0 records out
10485760 bytes (10 MB) copied, 0.0223468 s, 469 MB/s
```

Creates a file full of zeros.

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# ls -la 10mb\_file\_test\_file
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 10485760 Mar 9 19:48 10mb\_file\_test\_file

Connect to the Server *svr1*, review the available commands.

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# sftp root@l0.0.2.10 root@l0.0.2.10's password: The authenticity of host '10.0.2.10 (10.0.2.10)' can't be established. RSA key fingerprint is 59:f3:a4:7e:f6:25:04:9f:1c:b4:6f:84:50:1a:b2:70. Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes Warning: Permanently added '10.0.2.10' (RSA) to the list of known hosts. root@10.0.2.10's password: root Connected to 10.0.2.10.

```
sftp> ?
Available commands:
bve
                                 Quit sftp
cd path
                                 Change remote directory to 'path'
                                 Change group of file 'path' to 'grp'
Change permissions of file 'path' to 'mode'
Change owner of file 'path' to 'own'
chgrp grp path
chmod mode path
chown own path
df [-hi] [path]
                                 Display statistics for current directory or
                                 filesystem containing 'path'
exit
                                 Quit sftp
get [-Ppr] remote [local]
                                 Download file
reget remote [local]
                                 Resume download file
                                 Resume upload file
reput [local] remote
help
                                 Display this help text
lcd path
                                 Change local directory to 'path'
lls [ls-options [path]]
                                 Display local directory listing
                                 Create local directory
lmkdir path
                                 Link remote file (-s for symlink)
ln [-s] oldpath newpath
                                 Print local working directory
lpwd
ls [-1afhlnrSt] [path]
                                 Display remote directory listing
lumask umask
                                 Set local umask to 'umask'
maet
                                 As
                                     per
                                           get
                                                 but
                                                        wildcards
                                                                           multiple
                                                                     for
downloads
                                 Create remote directory
mkdir path
mput
                                 As per put but wildcards for multiple uploads
progress
                                 Toggle display of progress meter
                                 Upload file
put [-Ppr] local [remote]
pwd
                                 Display remote working directory
                                 Quit sftp
quit
rename oldpath newpath
                                 Rename remote file
                                 Delete remote file
rm path
rmdir path
                                 Remove remote directory
symlink oldpath newpath
                                 Symlink remote file
version
                                 Show SFTP version
                                 Execute 'command' in local shell
Icommand
                                 Escape to local shell
I
2
                                 Synonym for help
```

Change to the working directory of svr1 and create a directory there.

sftp> cd /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf
sftp> mkdir Big\_File
sftp> cd Big\_File
sftp> pwd
Remote working directory: /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/Big\_File

Check the local directory and file.

sftp> lpwd
Local working directory: /tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf

sftp> lls
10mb\_file\_test\_file defaultroute.sh var.log var.run

Transfer the file to the new directory on svr1.

```
sftp> put 10mb_file_test_file
Uploading 10mb_file_test_file to
/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/Big_File/10mb_file_test_file
10mb_file_test_file 100% 10MB 10.0MB/s 00:00
```

```
sftp> ls
10mb_file_test_file
```

sftp> **exit** 



Illustration 5: File transferred to user root on 10.0.2.10

# 4. Archiving and compressing files and directories

## 4.1 Tape Archive (TAR) archiving

Big\_File.tar: POSIX tar archive (GNU)

GNU **tar** is the GNU version of the **tar** archiving utility. Originally that was the **t**ape **ar**chive. It is useful to **tar up** a directory and all the directories and file therein as a single file, the tar archive file. The GNU tar program can do this. The resultant file is generally called a **tarball**. Using the file **10mb\_file\_test\_file** in the **Big\_File** directory on **svr1**.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls Big_File/
10mb_file_test_file
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# tar -cf Big_File.tar Big_File
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# file Big_File.tar
```

Review a tar archive with the -t or --list option to see a table of contents for the archive.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# tar -tf Big_File.tar
Big_File/
Big_File/10mb_file_test_file
```

Remove the original directory.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# rm -r Big_File
```

Extract the archive and confirm the directory is recovered.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# tar -xf Big_File.tar
```

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls Big_File
10mb_file_test_file
```

## 4.2 Compression

#### 4.2.1 GNU ZIP (GZIP)

The tar archive can be compressed to reduce file size. For example **gzip** which reduces the size of files using Lempel-Ziv coding (LZ77) can be applied to the tarball. tar has the ability to incorporate compression functions as well as archiving and perform both functions with the same command.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# gzip Big_File.tar
```

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls -l | grep Big_File
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Mar 9 19:56 Big_File
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 10346 Mar 9 20:08 Big_File.tar.gz
```

To reverse this process use the **gunzip** command.

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# gunzip Big\_File.tar.gz

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls -1 | grep Big\_File drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Mar 9 19:56 Big\_File -rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 10496000 Mar 9 20:08 Big\_File.tar

#### 4.2.2 BZIP2

An alternative approach is to use the **bzip2** utility which uses the Burrows-Wheeler block sorting text compression algorithm, and Huffman coding. **bzip2** compression is generally considerably better that the more conventional LZ77/LZ78-based compressors.

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# bzip2 Big\_File.tar

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls -1 | grep Big\_File drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Mar 9 19:56 Big\_File -rw-rw-rw-1 root root 180 Mar 9 20:08 Big\_File.tar.bz2

The reverse process is similar to what has been seen for gunzip.

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# bunzip2 Big\_File.tar.bz2

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls -1 | grep Big\_File drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Mar 9 19:56 Big\_File -rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 10496000 Mar 9 20:08 Big\_File.tar

#### 4.2.3 XZ

Another approach is to use the **xz** utility which is a lossless data compression program and file format based on the Lempel–Ziv–Markov chain algorithm (**LZMA**).

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# xz Big\_File.tar

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls -l | grep Big\_File drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Mar 9 19:56 Big\_File -rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 1764 Mar 9 20:08 Big\_File.tar.xz

The reverse process is similar to what has been seen for **gunzip**.

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# unxz Big\_File.tar.xz

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls -1 | grep Big\_File drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Mar 9 19:56 Big\_File -rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 10496000 Mar 9 20:08 Big\_File.tar

#### 4.2.4 TAR/GZIP/BZ/XZ

Fortunately the **tar** utility offers the ability to both archive and compress in one operation, here is an example using **gzip**. Note the file extension for a gzipped archives is either **.tar.gz** or simply **.tgz**. The **z** switch in the command instructs that the directory be archived and gzipped.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# tar -czvf Big_File.tar.gz Big_File
Big_File/
Big_File/10mb_file_test_file
```

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# file Big_File.tar.gz
Big_File.tar.gz: gzip compressed data, last modified: Wed Mar 9 20:23:18
2016, from Unix
```

A similar process can be achieved for **bzip2**, the end extension being **.tar.bz2** or **.tbz2** by convention. The **j** switch is used to archive and **bzip2**.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# tar -cjvf Big_File.tar.bz2 Big_File
Big_File/
Big_File/10mb_file_test_file
```

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# file Big\_File.tar.bz2 Big\_File.tar.bz2: bzip2 compressed data, block size = 900k

To compress with **xz** can also be achieved within the **tar** utility, the end extension being .tar.xz or .txz with the .J switch.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# tar -cJvf Big_File.tar.xz Big_File
Big_File/
Big_File/10mb_file_test_file
```

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# file Big_File.tar.xz
Big_File.tar.xz: XZ compressed data
```

#### 4.2.5 ZIP

zip/unzip is a compression and file packaging utility found in Unix, VMS, MSDOS, OS/2, Windows 9x/NT/XP, Minix, Atari, Macintosh, Amiga, and Acorn RISC OS. It is analogous to a combination of the Unix commands tar and compress and is compatible with Phil Katz's ZIP for Windows systems called PKZIP or WinZIP. ZIP can also archive a group of files directly. Here **zip** recursively archives and compresses the directory Big\_File and its contents.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# zip -r Big_File.zip Big_File
updating: Big_File/ (stored 0%)
updating: Big_File/10mb_file_test_file (deflated 100%)
```

To recover the files from the compressed archive use **unzip**.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# unzip Big_File.zip
Archive: Big_File.zip
creating: Big_File/
inflating: Big_File/10mb_file_test_file
```

#### 4.2.6 Comparing compression tools

Comparing the relative sizes of the archive and the three compressed versions. When the requirement is very fast compression, the **gzip** was the best option, it has also very small memory footprint, making it ideal for systems with limited memory. **bzip2** creates about 15% smaller files than **gzip** on average however it compresses at a slower rate than **gzip**. For decompression a similar picture emerges with **gzip** the fastest. **bzip2** is a lot slower taking four to twelve times more time to decompress than **gzip**. The newer **xz** is now showing to be slightly better performance in terms of compression than the others. **zip** exhibits similar performance to **gzip**.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls -la | grep Big_File.
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 10496000 Mar 9 20:08 Big_File.tar
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 180 Mar 9 20:24 Big_File.tar.bz2
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 10333 Mar 9 20:23 Big_File.tar.gz
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 1752 Mar 9 20:26 Big_File.tar.xz
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 10542 Mar 9 20:28 Big_File.zip
```

Download the **Big\_File.tar** files from *svr1* to *lap1*. Note sizes and download times.

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# sftp root@10.0.2.10
root@10.0.2.10's password: root
Connected to 10.0.2.10.

```
sftp> mget Big_File.*
Fetching Big_File.tar to /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/Big_File.tar
Big_File.tar
                                            100% 10MB 10.0MB/s
                                                                    00.00
Fetching Big_File.tar.bz2 to /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/Big_File.tar.bz2
Big File.tar.bz2
                                            100% 1764
                                                          1.7KB/s 00:00
Fetching Big_File.tar.gz to /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/Big_File.tar.gz
Big File.tar.gz
                                            100%
                                                  10KB 10.1KB/s 00:00
Fetching Big_File.tar.xz to /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/Big_File.tar.xz
Big_File.tar.xz
                                            100% 1764
                                                          1.7KB/s 00:00
Fetching Big_File.zip to /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/Big_File.zip
Big_File.zip
                                            100%
                                                  10KB 10.3KB/s 00:00
```

# **5.** Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)

The Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) is an application protocol for distributed, collaborative, hypermedia information systems. It's most common application is the mechanism of data communication for the World Wide Web.

Hypertext is structured text that uses logical links (hyperlinks) between nodes containing text. HTTP is the protocol to exchange or transfer hypertext.

Th coordination for HTTP standards and development is the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) and the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C). It is standardised as Requests for Comments (RFC). The first definition of HTTP/1.1, the version of HTTP in common use, occurred in RFC 2068 in 1997. This RFC was superseded by RFC 2616 in 1999.

HTTP functions as a request-response protocol in the client-server computing model. A typical client is a web browser a HTTP daemon (apache2 for example) running on a hosting server.

The client submits an HTTP GET request message to the server. The server returns a HTTP 200/OK response message to the client. The 200/OK message contains completion status information about the request as well as the requested content in the message body.

## 5.1.1 HTTP User Agent (UA)

A web browser is an example of a user agent (UA). However it is not the only user agent type. Other types include web crawlers, the indexing software used by search providers, mobile apps to name just a few.

#### 5.1.2 HTTP example

For the NTE hosts there is only shell access. However GNU/Linux has a general purpose distributed information browser for the World Wide Web called lynx the operated on the shell without resorting to a graphical interface.



Illustration 6: HTTP message flow

Connect from *lap1* to *svr1* using *lynx*. The default *apache2* page is presented to the browser.

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.46202/lap1.conf# lynx 10.0.2.10
Looking up '10.0.2.10' first
```

```
Your Terminal type is unknown!
Enter a terminal type: [vt100] <CR>
```

svr1 web server

This is the default web page for this server.

The web server software is running but no content has been added, yet.

```
Eth0 - ['10.0.2.10/24', '2001:2::10/64']
```

#### 5.1.3 HTTP on the wire

Now look at the traffic on the Internet corresponding to this connection. There is an initial **GET** / **HTTP** from *lap1* at 10.0.20 to *svr1* at 10.0.2.10.

```
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.0.20, Dst: 10.0.2.10
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 54117, Dst Port: 80, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 253
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
GET / HTTP/1.0\r\n
Host: 10.0.2.10\r\n
Accept: text/html, text/plain, text/sgml, text/css, app/xhtml+xml,
*/*;q=0.01\r\n
Accept-Encoding: gzip, compress, bzip2\r\n
Accept-Language: en\r\n
User-Agent: Lynx/2.8.9dev.1 libwww-FM/2.14 SSL-MM/1.4.1 GNUTLS/3.3.8\r\n
\r\n
```

The webserver responds with a HTTP/1.1 200 OK message containing the requested webpage.

```
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.2.10, Dst: 10.0.0.20
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 80, Dst Port: 54117, Seq: 1, Ack: 254, Len:
500
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
   HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\n
    Date: Fri, 26 Feb 2016 18:33:12 GMT\r\n
    Server: Apache/2.4.10 (Debian)\r\n
    Last-Modified: Fri, 26 Feb 2016 18:32:10 GMT\r\n
   ETag: "115-52cb08464d460"\r\n
   Accept-Ranges: bytes\r\n
    Content-Length: 277\r\n
    Connection: close\r\n
    \r\n
   Data (277 bytes)
0000 3c 68 74 6d 6c 3e 3c 62 6f 64 79 3e 3c 21 2d 2d
                                                      <html><body><!--
0010 20 67 65 6e 65 72 61 74 65 64 20 62 79 20 75 74
                                                       generated by ut
0020 69 6c 69 74 79 2e 70 79 3a 48 74 74 70 53 65 72
                                                      ility.py:HttpSer
0030 76 69 63 65 20 2d 2d 3e 0a 3c 68 31 3e 73 76 72 vice -->.<h1>svr
0040 31 20 77 65 62 20 73 65 72 76 65 72 3c 2f 68 31 1 web server</h1
0050 3e 0a 3c 70 3e 54 68 69 73 20 69 73 20 74 68 65
                                                     >.This is the
0060 20 64 65 66 61 75 6c 74 20 77 65 62 20 70 61 67
                                                       default web pag
0070 65 20 66 6f 72 20 74 68 69 73 20 73 65 72 76 65 e for this serve
0080 72 2e 3c 2f 70 3e 0a 3c 70 3e 54 68 65 20 77 65 r.
0090 62 20 73 65 72 76 65 72 20 73 6f 66 74 77 61 72 b server softwar
00a0 65 20 69 73 20 72 75 6e 6e 69 6e 67 20 62 75 74 e is running but
00b0 20 6e 6f 20 63 6f 6e 74 65 6e 74 20 68 61 73 20
                                                       no content has
00c0 62 65 65 6e 20 61 64 64 65 64 2c 20 79 65 74 2e
                                                      been added, yet.
00d0 3c 2f 70 3e 0a 3c 6c 69 3e 65 74 68 30 20 2d 20
                                                      .eth0 -
00e0 5b 27 31 30 2e 30 2e 32 2e 31 30 2f 32 34 27 2c
                                                      ['10.0.2.10/24'
00f0
     20 27 32 30 30 31 3a 32 3a 3a 31 30 2f 36 34 27
                                                        '2001:2::10/64'
0100 5d 3c 2f 6c 69 3e 0a 3c 2f 62 6f 64 79 3e 3c 2f
                                                      ].</body></
0110 68 74 6d 6c 3e
                                                      html>
```

# 6. Asymmetric Key Cryptography

Asymmetric key cryptography or public key cryptography is a relatively new cryptographic approach where the use of asymmetric key algorithms instead of or in addition to symmetric key algorithms is used as an enhancement to security.

Public key cryptography unlike symmetric key algorithms does not require a secure initial exchange of one or more secret keys to both sender and receiver. Instead a mathematically related key pair is created, a secret private key and a public key the latter which is published. These keys allow protection of the authenticity of a message by creating a digital signature of a message using the private key, which can be validated using the public key. It also allows for the protection of the messages confidentiality and integrity, by public key encryption, encrypting the message using the public key, which can only be decrypted using the private key.

Public key cryptography is employed by many cryptographic algorithms and cryptosystems. It is used in standards such as Transport Layer Security (TLS)/Secure Sockets Layer (SSL), Pretty Good Privacy (PGP), and GNU Privacy Guard (GnuPG).

## 6.1 Key pairs

The generation of key pairs requires the use of intractable problems called trapdoor functions which are functions that are easy to compute in one direction, yet believed to be difficult to compute in the opposite direction without special information, called the "trapdoor".

An intractable problem is a problem for which there is no efficient means of solving. These aren't necessarily problems for which there is no solution. Instead, these are problems that take too long to analyse all the options. The public key cryptographic intractable problems used to date are based either on factoring prime numbers or discrete logarithms.

Looking at an example:

Take a prime number m = 29 as the modulus (public key). The primitive roots of 29 are: 2, 3, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 18, 19, 21, 26, 27.

So taking and a base b = 10 (the trapdoor)

Alice chooses a secret y = 8 (Private Key).

Alice sends Bob *w* = *by* mod m = *10<sup>8</sup> mod 29* = *25* 

Bob chooses a secret *z* = 11 (Private Key).

Bob sends Alice  $x = bz \mod m = 10^{11} \mod 29 = 2$ 

Alice computes  $s = xy \mod m = 2^8 \mod 29 = 24$ 

Bob computes  $s = wz \mod m = 25^{11} \mod 29 = 24$ 

Alice and Bob now share a secret, in this case *24* without it being transferred across the transmission path and without either Alice or Bob sharing their private keys.

## 6.1.1 Diffie-Hellman key protocol

In 1976 Whitfield Diffie and Martin Hellman, who, influenced by Ralph Merkle's work on public-key distribution went down the discrete log route when developing what became known as Diffie-Hellman key exchange method.

## 6.1.2 El Gamal

El Gamal is based on Diffie-Hellman method. It was described by Taher Elgamal in 1985. It is used in the free GNU Privacy Guard software, recent versions of PGP, and other cryptosystems.

## 6.1.3 RSA

In 1977 Ronald Rivest, Adi Shamir and Len Adleman developed an algorithm using factoring of prime numbers. This algorithm became known as RSA.

Taking two large prime numbers we will call 'B' and 'Q'. Multiply these numbers to generate 'N':

**N** = B \* Q

Select another number '*e*' such that:

1. **e** < **N** 

2. e and (N-1)(Q-1) are relatively prime (no common factors except 1)

Find a number '**p**' such that:

 $(ep - 1) \mod(B - 1)(Q - 1) = 0$ 

Distribute 'e' and 'N' as the public key and keep 'p' as the private key.

For Alice to send an encrypted message she sends:

 $\{CT\} = \{PT\}^e \mod N$ 

Bob receives and retrieves the message by:

 $\{PT\} = \{CT\}^p \mod N$ 

## 6.1.4 Elliptic curve cryptography (ECC)

Another intractable problem that is used is the assumption that finding the discrete logarithm of an elliptic curve element is infeasible. The size of the elliptic curve determines the difficulty of the problem. It is believed that a smaller group can be used to obtain the same level of security as RSA-based systems. Using a small group reduces storage and transmission requirements.

Algorithm	Name	Mode	Block size	Keys	Other
RSA	Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir & Len Adleman	Factoring	Variable	1024 - 2048	
Diffie Hellamn	Whitfield Diffie & Martin Hellman	Discrete Log	Variable	Variable	Only used for key exchange
ECC	Elliptical Curve Cryptography	Discrete Log	Variable	80 → 512	160 bits key is equivalent to 1024 bits in RSA

# 6.2 Asymmetric Key Protocol summary

# 6.3 How Asymmetric Key Cryptography works



Illustration 7: Asymmetric Key Cryptography

Alice and Bob wish to communicate with each other so they each have a public key and a private key. Alice has a copy of Bob's public and Bob has a copy of Alice's public key.

Alice wishes to send a message to Bob so she encrypts it with Bob's public key  $K_{B(PUB)}$  and forwards it to him. Bob extracts the message using his private key  $K_{B(PRI)}$ .

Bob wishes to respond with a message of his own to Alice so he encrypts it with Alice's public key  $K_{A(PUB)}$  and forwards it to her. Alice extracts the message using her private key  $K_{A(PRI)}$ .

This scheme offers confidentiality of transmission from Alice to Bob and from Bob to Alice. This scheme does not however address the issues of integrity or non-repudiation.

# 6.4 Digital Signature

Apart from confidentiality of data another application of public-key cryptography is digital signature. Digital signature schemes can be used for sender authentication and non-repudiation. In such a scheme a user who wants to send a message computes a digital signature of this message and then sends this digital signature together with the message to the intended receiver. Digital signature schemes have the property that signatures can only be computed with the knowledge of a private key. To verify that a message has been signed by a user and has not been modified the receiver only needs to know the corresponding public key.

# 6.5 The hybrid system



Illustration 8: The hybrid system

This is an enhancement of the system on the previous page where Digital Signatures have been added to provide authentication, integrity and non-repudiation as well as confidentiality.

Alice and Bob wish to communicate with each other so they each have a public key and a private key. Alice has a copy of Bob's public and Bob has a copy of Alice's public key.

Alice wishes to send a message to Bob so she generates a symmetric key  $K_{AB(SYM)}$  which she encrypts with Bob's public key  $K_{B(PUB)}$  and forwards it to him. Bob extracts  $K_{AB(SYM)}$  from the message using his private key  $K_{B(PRI)}$ .

Alice encrypts the message she wants to send using the shared symmetric key  $K_{AB(SYM)}$  and forwards it to Bob, she also generates a message digest from the message and using her own private key  $K_{A(PRI)}$  to encrypt the hash forwards the encrypted hash to Bob.

Bob uses the symmetric key  $K_{AB(SYM)}$  to decrypt the message, this ensures the confidentiality of the message. He also generates a message digest of it, he then takes the encrypted message digest received and decrypts it using Alice's public key  $K_{A(PUB)}$ . He now compares the message digest received from Alice with the version he created and they should be the same. If so he is assured of the message integrity.

Finally he can acknowledge the receipt by taking the message digest and encrypting it with his private key  $K_{B(PRI)}$  and forwarding it to Alice. Alice decrypts it using Bob's public key  $K_{B(PUB)}$  and the output should be identical to the message digest Alice herself created. This verifies the receiver's integrity as well as assuring Alice that Bob received the message.

# 7. Key Management

One of the obvious issues with the asymmetric key cryptography is how to make the public keys available. For this we need a Public Key Infrastructure (PKI). This is a set of hardware, software, people, policies, and procedures needed to create, manage, distribute, use, store, and revoke digital certificates.

# 7.1 Certificate Authorities (CA)



CAs are web sites that publish the key bound to a given user. This is achieved using the CA's own key, so that trust in the user key relies on one's trust in the validity of the CA's key. The mechanism that binds keys to users is called the Registration Authority (RA), which might or might not be separate from the CA. The key-user binding are established, depending on the level of assurance the binding has, by software or under human supervision.

The term trusted third party (TTP) may also be used for certificate authority (CA). Moreover, PKI is itself often used as a synonym for a CA implementation.

The ITU-T standard for Certificate Authority is included within the X.509 system.

# 7.2 Web of Trust

An alternative approach to the problem of public authentication of public key information is the web of trust scheme, which uses self-signed certificates and third party attestations of those certificates. PGP and GnuPG are examples of implementations of the web of trust model. They allow the use of e-mail digital signatures for self-publication of public key information; it is relatively easy to implement one's own Web of Trust.

# 7.3 Implementations

#### 7.3.1 Privacy Enhanced Mail (PEM)

PEM was an early IETF proposal for securing email using public key cryptography. It has never seen wide deployment as it depended on prior deployment of a hierarchical public key infrastructure (PKI) with a single root. Deployment of such a PKI proved impossible due to cost and legal liability of the root CAs became understood. It was also seen as not a good idea to impose central authority to e-mail.

- RFC 1421 PEM: Part I: Message Encryption and Authentication Procedures
- RFC 1422 PEM: Part II: Certificate-Based Key Management
- RFC 1423 PEM: Part III: Algorithms, Modes, and Identifiers
- RFC 1424 PEM: Part IV: Key Certification and Related Services.

#### 7.3.2 Pretty Good Privacy (PGP)

PGP was created by Philip Zimmermann in 1991, it is a program that provides cryptographic privacy and authentication. PGP is used for signing, encrypting and decrypting e-mails to increase the security of e-mail communications.

PGP follows the OpenPGP standard (RFC 4880) for encrypting and decrypting data.

PGP uses a serial combination of hashing, data compression, symmetric-key cryptography, and public-key cryptography. Each public key is bound to a user name and/or an e-mail address. The first version of this system was a web of trust, however current versions of PGP encryption include both web of trust and certificate authority options through an automated key management server.

#### 7.3.3 Secure/Multi-purpose Internet Mail Extensions (S/MIME)

MIME is the standard that extends the format of e-mail to support:

- Text in character sets other than ASCII
- Non-text attachments
- Message bodies with multiple parts
- Header information in non-ASCII character sets.

S/MIME is a standard for adding cryptographic signature and encryption services to MIME data.

S/MIME is defined in RFC 2633. S/MIME was originally developed by RSA Data Security. However it is now managed by the IETF.

# 8. GNU Privacy Guard

GnuPG is a complete and free implementation of the OpenPGP standard as defined by RFC4880 (also known as PGP). GnuPG allows to encrypt and sign data and communication, features a versatile key management system as well as access modules for all kinds of public key directories. GnuPG, also known as GPG, is a command line tool with features for easy integration with other applications. A wealth of frontend applications and libraries are available. Version 2 of GnuPG also provides support for S/MIME and Secure Shell (ssh).

GnuPG is Free Software (meaning that it respects your freedom). It can be freely used, modified and distributed under the terms of the GNU General Public License .

Project Gpg4win provides a Windows version of GnuPG stable. It is nicely integrated into an installer and features several front-ends as well as English and German manuals.



# 8.1 Generate a private key

Most people make their keys valid until infinity, which is the default option. If this is done don't forget to revoke the key when it is no longer in use.

Make sure that the name on the key is not a pseudonym, and that it matches the name in the users passport, or other government issued photo-identification! Additional e-mail addresses can be added to the key later.

A passphrase will be asked for twice. Usually, a short sentence or phrase that isn't easy to guess can be used. Next a request will be made to tap on the keyboard or do any of the things normally done on the computer in order for randomisation to take place. This is done so that the encryption algorithm has more human-entered elements, which, combined with the passphrase entered above, will result in the user's private key.

Key-ID of the created key is: 6E64AF4C

```
$ gpg --gen-key
```

```
gpg (GnuPG) 1.4.16; Copyright (C) 2013 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law.
gpg: directory `/home/alovelace/.gnupg' created
gpg: new configuration file `/home/alovelace/.gnupg/gpg.conf' created
gpg: WARNING: options in `/home/alovelace/.gnupg/gpg.conf' are not yet active during
this run
gpg: keyring `/home/alovelace/.gnupg/secring.gpg' created
qpg: keyring `/home/alovelace/.gnupg/pubring.gpg' created
Please select what kind of key you want:
   (1) RSA and RSA (default)
   (2) DSA and Elgamal
   (3) DSA (sign only)
   (4) RSA (sign only)
Your selection? 1
RSA keys may be between 1024 and 4096 bits long.
What keysize do you want? (2048) 2048
Requested keysize is 2048 bits
Please specify how long the key should be valid.
         0 = key does not expire
      <n> = key expires in n days
      <n>w = key expires in n weeks
      <n>m = key expires in n months
      <n>y = key expires in n years
Key is valid for? (0) 1w
Key expires at Wed 16 Mar 2016 14:04:20 EAT
Is this correct? (y/N) y
You need a user ID to identify your key; the software constructs the user ID
from the Real Name, Comment and Email Address in this form:
    "Heinrich Heine (Der Dichter) <heinrichh@duesseldorf.de>"
Real name: Ada Lovelace
Email address: alovelace@mak.ac.ug
Comment: March Key
You selected this USER-ID:
    "Ada Lovelace (March Key) <alovelace@mak.ac.ug>"
Change (N)ame, (C)omment, (E)mail or (O)kay/(Q)uit? 0
You need a Passphrase to protect your secret key.
Enter passphrase: babbage
Re-enter passphrase: babbage
We need to generate a lot of random bytes. It is a good idea to perform
some other action (type on the keyboard, move the mouse, utilize the
disks) during the prime generation; this gives the random number
generator a better chance to gain enough entropy.
gpg: /home/alovelace/.gnupg/trustdb.gpg: trustdb created
gpg: key 6E64AF4C marked as ultimately trusted
public and secret key created and signed.
gpg: checking the trustdb
gpg: 3 marginal(s) needed, 1 complete(s) needed, PGP trust model
gpg: depth: 0 valid: 1 signed: 0 trust: 0-, 0q, 0n, 0m, 0f, 1u
gpg: next trustdb check due at 2016-03-16
     2048R/6E64AF4C 2016-03-09 [expires: 2016-03-16]
bub
      Key fingerprint = E150 F5AC F0E5 A492 6891 0903 F315 80E3 6E64 AF4C
uid
                     Ada Lovelace (March Key) <alovelace@mak.ac.ug>
     2048R/DC6CB630 2016-03-09 [expires: 2016-03-16]
sub
```

## 8.2 Generate a public key

\$ gpg --armor --output pubkey.txt --export 'Ada Lovelace'

```
$ cat pubkey.txt
```

```
-----BEGIN PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK-----
Version: GnuPG v1
```

```
mQENBFbgA5sBCAC12JYl3KtCjH7j0tfZWBw7gISy5Zl8Y4WMQnEsD7F/na1xQqWB
2kN8ka2MzBCyUF1WQ6sJu/F8jfkzS3YGy4eCa70ZeAdQgZ4EQU+eC1rIo8cLhPA+
jyL5EacQ+jG4kBDsLD+kD8AA55whmAGoapK21ZNyX8tuoW7Ex94BkATB3EgwJ/00
53aGrsH93BhIEesc32duvpS0uRe9xY+iEnU9ZquCE6hdCqJBXHo2HdCqs2nN8os8
AlwAfLvN7uRc4Yv7qi5tpWM5+9L30lZlm2/Ydkl2WPxotkCp6mqp+RvZmL7w6hh/
dmflZ/Ts+SzrPMdt9QtE/hJA/J/j8uOedc8jABEBAAG0K0FkYSBMb3ZlbGFjZSAo
TWFyY2ggS2V5KSA8YWxvdmVsYWN1QGMycy5pZT6JAT4EEwECACgFAlbgA5sCGwMF
CQAJOoAGCwkIBwMCBhUIAgkKCwQWAgMBAh4BAheAAAoJEPMVgONuZK9MgIEH/1B3
BHTjJGsXbWsobJnKMJuJeHNaL+9ibmHkgPK3r1K77D8n0xy04/k0rpS/BNbp2e9V
hEbIpk3/tgIJ0GgEhm7ckSmTZSf0yTBi5Y00c/GzhAptNKDbk+qSRVgoV+qtIaeE
PBvUWthZzpa6qR08b24hdi7QwR354Lf2Z0nU/+WY5/DBGx14+NGJ3BIN5wB7yL8L
PeHTAyseftgN0wR6C9AwEXx7mW0kBLLFVEmwAB6sJzXvg00sRpQ5Wr5bF5C1CWf5
MG+VQ0abjnteP3I6YibQcDEExqDXfo1nebVzKu1Nke7bCef6jvrEJ6W2BlxAGf0L
e8c2+SB5QsJFEAGmBSG5AQ0EVuADmwEIAMGIj2BqX20P2k17GYXaiaV+xSxndNR0
Rtv7yvehKbJ9Yhmp1xyHL0IXBqoFWC9YUPcoy40HmhfPrhXrvIA5Uiema6dm/BFB
OtnrpHM0JWHgBwmk3G0QWH2WKHwlRjIhc36l93wesuJYENskIy/WtLEfiuvkS4ZA
fiEhw91VVp0LFTrBahpr0gYzc0hra78RhvxI8/vTS03a1GYryu0QoArCjj+TFNMh
GIVgxIY2XWx0lK07hh75VRRrbM6dhZJkemLKPiKzqbpPfpQaCN11kytQLtJ+r0KH
Lrv3GjhGaChRehDSkVoSltPzsYpSslj/bG5jK0BqmTRzNnOUXQjWXvsAEQEAAYkB
JQQYAQIADwUCVuADmwIbDAUJAAk6gAAKCRDzFYDjbmSvTBUtB/0cxtlyK9jB82rl
QVCNViJIsfnKYC+wZ4h84HhoCpzyTBweRm1nnSNu06paps+rS/GXQ0y00fT4b/NA
Lv5iJwKANRqkShH4LsxbGYd8Ps/jMEc8lRnSTNwlHnKGzjSco9wGnF/A2omqc2gd
LAF1HZPUJDnzhG2H5jHvgwJs60ncgs5FyjtA/FnUUqMzy+ITQCbYQEnDQn8CmNyB
Vnxz04u+Td2ajRznD3V29UvXgTaG7gU5842CNsLiezrfqgPgnNnRISxpAboy3xCp
UbqBG/i8z6hNwGDBZRGuwKROAYC5dNDE+SBugYub16SDkhe2dR5tGbURFPSe0dLp
f170Nf3/
```

=JY1A

-----END PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK-----

The public key can be freely distributed, posted on a web site, or otherwise distributed. It can also be registered with public keyservers so that others can retrieve the key without having to contact the owner directly.

\$ gpg --send-keys 'Ada Lovelace' --keyserver hkp://subkeys.pgp.net

#### 8.3 Encrypting a file for personal use

Taking a file **MyFile.txt** as a target to experiment with.

```
$ ls -la | grep MyFile
-rw-r--r- 1 dobriain dobriain 74 Mar 9 14:23 MyFile.txt
$ cat MyFile.txt
MyFile
======
```

This is a file used as part of the exercise on encryption.

Now encrypt the file. The argument to the **--recipient** is the name used when generating the private key. Note the output is a new file **MyFile.txt.gpg**.

\$ gpg --encrypt --recipient 'Ada Lovelace' MyFile.txt
\$ ls -la | grep MyFile
-rw-r--r-- 1 dobriain dobriain 74 Mar 9 14:23 MyFile.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 dobriain dobriain 406 Mar 9 14:23 MyFile.txt.gpg

Use the file command to interrogate the file type and the cat command to view the contents.

\$ file MyFile.txt
MyFile.txt: ASCII text

\$ file MyFile.txt.gpg
MyFile.txt.gpg: data

```
$ cat MyFile.txt
MyFile
======
```

This is a file used as part of the exercise on encryption.

\$ cat MyFile.txt.gpg
@#
@!@l@o#@P@#5a@@E@@#3@@6@VU+@@vU`<@@#<"@.@i}!@D@@@@]</pre>

∨m**@@**#Tq<**@**&b**@@@j@@**|

```
#0ħ000000G0H0-d00g00 r#000$000I00UB0
02%000#00000f_∞J00I0**Wp#000+<0
00[00#600X0#K?M#0Hb00#
00~##)04000 !e08'0&0@0Db0Xn0'09``v0#00sNc000Z0F$^0?00P0tUL#0^0o#_0
%0#0 0000100~00h0f0#0##0_000
0000Rc2
0000000@#0\#02000&0=#,#D
0000000@#0\#02000&0=#,#D
000,N0r0=(00000#0#0#0
```

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# 8.4 Decrypting the file for personal use

Decrypt the file to a new file called **MyFile2.txt**.

\$ gpg --output MyFile2.txt --decrypt MyFile.txt.gpg You need a passphrase to unlock the secret key for user: "Ada Lovelace (March Key) <alovelace@mak.ac.ug>" 2048-bit RSA key, ID DC6CB630, created 2016-03-09 (main key ID 6E64AF4C)

Enter passphrase: **babbage** 

Check the new file and use the **diff** command to confirm it is identical to the original file **MyFile.txt**.

\$ cat MyFile2.txt
MyFile
======

This is a file used as part of the exercise on encryption.

\$ diff MyFile.txt MyFile2.txt

#### 8.5 Passing encrypted files to another person

Open the **TEL3214-Client-Server-Example.imn** network. On the server create a private key and from it a public key for Ada Lovelace.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# gpg --gen-key
gpg (GnuPG) 1.4.18; Copyright (C) 2014 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law.
gpg: directory `/root/.gnupg' created
gpg: new configuration file `/root/.gnupg/gpg.conf' created
gpg: WARNING: options in `/root/.gnupg/gpg.conf' are not yet active during
this run
gpg: keyring `/root/.gnupg/secring.gpg' created
gpg: keyring `/root/.gnupg/pubring.gpg' created
Please select what kind of key you want:
   (1) RSA and RSA (default) 1
   (2) DSA and Elgamal
   (3) DSA (sign only)
   (4) RSA (sign only)
Your selection?
RSA keys may be between 1024 and 4096 bits long.
What keysize do you want? (2048) 2048
Requested keysize is 2048 bits
Please specify how long the key should be valid.
         0 = key does not expire
      <n> = key expires in n days
      <n>w = key expires in n weeks
      <n>m = key expires in n months
      <n>y = key expires in n years
Key is valid for? (0) 1
Key expires at Thu 10 Mar 2016 13:02:39 GMT
Is this correct? (y/N) y
You need a user ID to identify your key; the software constructs the user ID
from the Real Name, Comment and Email Address in this form:
    "Heinrich Heine (Der Dichter) <heinrichh@duesseldorf.de>"
Real name: Ada Lovelace
Email address: alovelace@cedat.mak.ac.ug
Comment: Ada Lovelace March key
You selected this USER-ID:
    "Ada Lovelace (Ada Lovelace March key) <alovelace@cedat.mak.ac.ug>"
Change (N)ame, (C)omment, (E)mail or (O)kay/(Q)uit? 0
You need a Passphrase to protect your secret key.
Enter passphrase: babbage
Re-enter passphrase: babbage
```

We need to generate a lot of random bytes. It is a good idea to perform some other action (type on the keyboard, move the mouse, utilize the disks) during the prime generation; this gives the random number generator a better chance to gain enough entropy.

gpg: /root/.gnupg/trustdb.gpg: trustdb created gpg: key 3AAB4367 marked as ultimately trusted public and secret key created and signed.

Now create a public key from this.

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# gpg --armor --output pubkey.txt
--export 'Ada Lovelace'
```

```
root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# cat pubkey.txt
----BEGIN PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK----
Version: GnuPG v1
```

```
mQENBFbgHzkBCADASnR2j4651YHPINsvpY9DIjX7MomAxzjpHJmQHdxp8m5jLyDT
ild4zttzJqtk60VE97+ozAo0Artk/uh3nXLGFKJwe7h491T7hePiMT3T5bfrAx9p
Wy8rP8Xh0sw4kwv2x6MXMg+9fAxZbL5sZXS/4NUUsS15XVaPsDwHBz2vHyxQ9RKA
uQARFR88xeMXpY3Z6So4YGhsKkDsMa/K6u/SBf26QlVtaRTBZx/urzrlzeBbYtgz
6LA+4RevDs7PcbxhRUq2w/TV4CA7oL/36K/LmdwjrrE2QBd93qQaGYeklGnBQ0hT
sctAmGrMKZiT3uuj+4hrC6ludbU7YqIJcQFrABEBAAG0QUFkYSBMb3ZlbGFjZSAo
QWRhIExvdmVsYWN1IE1hcmNoIGt1eSkgPGFsb3Z1bGFjZUBjZWRhdC5tYWsuYWMu
dWc+iQE+BBMBAqAoBQJW4B85AhsDBQkAAVGABqsJCAcDAqYVCAIJCqsEFqIDAQIe
AQIXgAAKCRDXjAJ30qtDZxzPB/9zGZD3TJJ/RyFcZeyMVfpVskVSBc01FBt562GI
VFrwTYvf+k6WPX/B2KXsebNx2bJBvCXosQDotIDM6yTN1P8AUUM2pVdhbhuDpZMC
XYIz3PmdCHQ+0si1vpNC8AN22stCtZe7qMWMzk7MGEblE2Ie/WQRPmo9xwQ+tPEq
d5UKK9GqSOG1PdyZLxzZ5ERhMDYpszjt7oTx6cy4Uag7OrusAwDhMjufqxFWLuJu
u/1CfN+QVFvrlhuip80TB2cjLGCqMpjL+sKhj5d3I6CD9TKtQ8MX9FL1QudgVhVg
W+Qm6aNj5N748dqt3LseiUurVjNs0VZ6dtMFpcR5GxQ022MduQENBFbqHzkBCACw
xPCjRq6br7yCqCcXopJ1tKwe5vxvXKyBIADvUVX97evQaxj5eTczgvNrn9fIlb7X
9NTH+yKxize+bFky8IKbwCUmgur2uBKEhXVcyD0JapkgEIGS6KYK4Su8ucTyGBXS
+188LNxYCcxBDiQ1WPCWxt2czws3AZNCTES3LQXgdr9jBYSYRh9Kif7VxH5Aqgyx
vrGYdnq5j9CxQxioHRrgrpA6A6rIOo/DVZ8I0NnTHMWT0Y37k4cMT6Gv0ieNu6aW
d6XXljFv+EDcAxGk3DzH8JAJxnVIjXXjUqAm1yreRt0ylgcZWemQwzY1FXsH8UI2
RzHUH5EqvUaGZMF0SXa9ABEBAAGJASUEGAECAA8FA1bgHzkCGwwFCQABUYAACgkQ
14wCdzqrQ2czZggAoWR6Yuiry8k3S/GnkMDh3/jX5aLjf1QEWpvi5SkXGeH3GXAl
5AF0Yzmgqp5zqcKIp9gqt1VQi9uKefRGpKRlth8A9WSRxzE0yYB1BrSkuXLtnGmF
PV8CegDU1ZDqINkVNb8R0bXmEcEq4JZRvHyJneTbsSTAXSkE7eUWEh7z8Sm+M6qi
dxEy8yvHmFZSkz/vYcYeGTvaM8og5JWv1Iw9bdSF7kVbs9GljWI4VnAQ1q/xjFjz
ulKf0/Tp6eShduYdebgQ6n8T8rwYSGrK1//emIZi6VfdL1U/CM/7Ia0Yc36yMQXG
4FjxE5dcfrS+y7K7ZaLG1is8oP+aF5tcPcWEYQ==
=BAof
```

----END PGP PUBLIC KEY BLOCK-----

#### 8.5.1 Public key

On the *lap1* get the public key from the *svr1*.

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# sftp root@10.0.2.10
root@10.0.2.10's password: root
Connected to 10.0.2.10.
```

sftp> cd /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf

```
sftp> pwd
Remote working directory: /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf
```

sftp> **ls** defaultroute.sh etc.apache2 startsshd.sh var.ftp var.log.apache2 var.run var.run.vsftpd.empty var.www

etc.ssh pubkey.txt run.lock var.lock.apache2 var.log var.run.apache2 var.run.sshd vsftpd.conf

```
sftp> get pubkey.txt
```

Fetching /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/pubkey.txt to pubkey.txt /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/pubkey.txt 100% 1763 1.7KB/s 00:00

sftp> quit

The lap1 now has the public key from svr1.

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# ls
defaultroute.sh pubkey.txt var.log var.run
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf#
```

#### 8.5.2 Generate a secret file and encrypt

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# echo "This is my little secret" > secretFile.txt

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# cat secretFile.txt
This is my little secret
```

Import Ada Lovelace's public key just copied over from svr1.

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# gpg --import pubkey.txt
gpg: key 3AAB4367: "Ada Lovelace (Ada Lovelace March key)
<alovelace@cedat.mak.ac.ug>" not changed
gpg: Total number processed: 1
gpg: unchanged: 1
```

Search for Ada Lovelace's key in the keyring.

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# gpg --list-keys
/root/.gnupg/pubring.gpg
pub 2048R/3AAB4367 2016-03-09 [expires: 2016-03-10]
uid Ada Lovelace (Ada Lovelace March key) <alovelace@cedat.mak.ac.ug>
sub 2048R/E5DE8209 2016-03-09 [expires: 2016-03-10]
```

Encrypt the secret file **pubkey.txt** with Ada Lovelace's public key.

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# gpg --encrypt --recipient 'Ada
Lovelace' secretFile.txt
```

There is now a new encrypted file in the local directory. Confirm it is encrypted.

```
root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# ls secretFile*
secretFile.txt secretFile.txt.gpg
```

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# file secretFile.txt.gpg
secretFile.txt.gpg: PGP RSA encrypted session key - keyid: 9EBC8885 982DEE5
RSA (Encrypt or Sign) 2048b .

Send the new encrypted file to *svr1*.

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# sftp root@10.0.2.10
root@10.0.2.10's password: root
Connected to 10.0.2.10.
sftp> cd /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf

sftp> put secretFile.txt.gpg
Uploading secretFile.txt.gpg to
/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/secretFile.txt.gpg
secretFile.txt.gpg 100% 366 0.4KB/s 00:00

sftp> quit

## 8.6 Decrypt secret file on svr1

Confirm secret file is on svr1.

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls secret\*
secretFile.txt.gpg

Confirm secret file is on *svr1*.

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# gpg --output lap1\_secret.txt --decrypt
secretFile.txt.gpg

You need a passphrase to unlock the secret key for user: "Ada Lovelace (Ada Lovelace March key) <alovelace@cedat.mak.ac.ug>" 2048-bit RSA key, ID E5DE8209, created 2016-03-09 (main key ID 3AAB4367)

Enter passphrase: **babbage** 

Check the decrypted file.

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# cat lap1\_secret.txt
This is my little secret

- To summarise, *lap1* received the public key for Ada Lovelace on *svr1*.
- *lap1* used this public key to encrypt a file.
- *lap1* sent the file to *svr1*.
- *svr1* decrypted the file using Ada Lovelace's private key.

## 8.7 Digitally signing a file

GPG also provides a mechanism to digitally sign a file. Ada Lovelace wishes to have a file signed so those with her public key can confirm that she did indeed create the file, i.e. non repudiation.

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# echo 'This file will be signed" >
sign.txt

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# gpg --armor --detach-sign sign.txt

You need a passphrase to unlock the secret key for user: "Ada Lovelace (Ada Lovelace March key) <alovelace@cedat.mak.ac.ug>" 2048-bit RSA key, ID 3AAB4367, created 2016-03-09

Enter passphrase: babbage

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# ls -la sign\*
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 25 Mar 9 19:18 sign.txt
-rw-rw-rw- 1 root root 473 Mar 9 19:20 sign.txt.asc

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# file sign.txt.asc sign.txt.asc: PGP signature Signature (old)

root@svr1:/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf# cat sign.txt.asc ----BEGIN PGP SIGNATURE-----Version: GnuPG v1

iQEcBAABAgAGBQJW4HdvAAoJENeMAnc6q0NnQekH/3bck0fGF3FSblpQSeVfrZLJ sCpGNvLeDv+PpyPCLRtPqwHJlCGMFsP6FCh9d07EYJIYnpHuvnwSPaJCsXqS60cX f11vbSo24BLWYDN/T9v7Kt3ui7jEhUYqQNZQXMzlciVrRpYqU5F4vQClTChQXZ2l 9R71Qu0Gi98AsAZfitAXU3L3SLPxHwieJefqsuWgLqI75uuB2atoy+FvrFSQ7gdv nW9ylvehHFLtyXwKMQUZ50SGW/DUl0M6CRVofu4aY9BsIHV5z9yiMiQG3Vi2t5Kl /4YAzN34jy0YHPDTFrv3qCdgGtuB/Zv9/6CkYYRjP4XyhBtJM74483lDF+hJzjU= =SS9+

----END PGP SIGNATURE-----

#### 8.7.1 Verifying a signed file

On lap1 get the two files, the *sign.txt* and *sign.txt.asc* from *svr1*.

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# sftp root@10.0.2.10
root@10.0.2.10's password: root
Connected to 10.0.2.10.

sftp> cd /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf

sftp> mget sign.txt\*
Fetching /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/sign.txt to sign.txt
/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/sign.txt 100% 25 0.0KB/s 00:00
Fetching /tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/sign.txt.asc to sign.txt.asc
/tmp/pycore.54569/svr1.conf/sign.txt.asc 100% 473 0.5KB/s 00:00

sftp> exit

#### Confirm signature.

root@lap1:/tmp/pycore.54569/lap1.conf# gpg --verify sign.txt.asc sign.txt
gpg: Signature made Wed 09 Mar 2016 19:20:15 GMT using RSA key ID 3AAB4367
gpg: Good signature from "Ada Lovelace (Ada Lovelace March key)
<alovelace@cedat.mak.ac.ug>"

# 9. Applications Lab

Carry out the following activities while monitoring the traffic. Note any observations.

### SFTP

- 1. On the NTE Emulator Virtual Machine (VM) create a 100 MB file on the Desktop. Call the file *100MB\_NTE\_File*.
- 2. Compress the file with two different compression protocols.
- 3. Run the *TEL3214-Client-Server-Example.imn* network.
- Using SFTP connect from *lap1* to *svr1* using the Username: nte and Password: nte.
- 5. Change directory to /home/nte/Desktop.
- 6. Download the file **100MB\_NTE\_File** to the home directory.
- 7. Confirm the file downloaded OK.
- 8. Quit SFTP.

#### SSH

- 1. Use SSH to connect to the server *svr1* from *lap1*.
- 2. Change to the directory /home/nte/Desktop.
- 3. Change the name of the file 100MB\_NTE\_File to 100MB\_NTE\_File.old.
- 4. Logout of *svr1*.

#### HTTP

- 1. Connect to the web-server on *svr1* from *lap1*.
- 2. Monitor traffic between devices.

#### GPG

- 1. Connect to *svr1*.
- 2. Create a private/public key pair.
- 3. Encrypt the file from *100MB\_NTE\_File.old*.
- 4. From *lap1*, SFTP to *svr1* and download the encrypted file *100MB\_NTE\_File.old* as well as the public key.
- 5. Exit from SFTP.
- 6. Add the public key to the keyring.
- 7. Decrypt the downloaded file.

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