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OpenSSL lab session

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- Symmetric key encryption (2 hours)
- Hash functions (2 hours)
- Asymmetric encryption (2 hours)
- Digital signature (4 hours)
- Diffie-Hellman protocol (4 hours)

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Introduction to OpenSSL

OpenSSL library

- OpenSSL is an open source cryptographic library, providing cryptographic APIs at different layers.
- EVP APIs provide an high-level interface for cryptographic functions.
 - Symmetric key cryptography
 - Hash functions
 - ...

Using OpenSSL

- GNU/Linux platforms:
 - Install **libssl0.9.8** and **libssl-dev** packages
 - Compile your code by linking the library
 - `gcc -o prog prog.c -l lcrypto`
- Microsoft Windows platforms:
 - Install **Cygwin**
 - Specify the installation of packages related to *openssl* e *gcc* in `/bin`
 - Compile your code by linking the library
 - `gcc -o prog prog.c -lcrypto`
 - The executable file has extension `.exe`

Managing the EVP context

- EVP **context** is a data structure which implements the symmetric key cypher.

- Context allocation

```
EVP_CIPHER_CTX* ctx;  
ctx = malloc(sizeof(EVP_CIPHER_CTX));
```

- Context preparation

```
EVP_CIPHER_CTX_init(ctx);  
EVP_CIPHER_CTX_set_key_length(ctx, key_size);  
bsize = EVP_CIPHER_CTX_block_size(ctx);
```

- Context deallocation

```
EVP_CIPHER_CTX_cleanup(ctx);  
free(ctx);
```

Symmetric key encryption

- Context allocation
- Context preparation
- Encryption

```
EVP_EncryptInit(ctx,EVP_des_ecb(),NULL,NULL);
EVP_EncryptInit(ctx,NULL,key,NULL);
EVP_Encrypt_Update(ctx,out,&loutU,in,lin);
EVP_Encrypt_Final(ctx,&out[pos],&loutF);
```
- Context deallocation

Symmetric key encryption

- Encrypting operations

```
EVP_Encrypt_Update(ctx,out,&loutU,in,lin);  
EVP_Encrypt_Final(ctx,&out[pos],&loutF);
```

- ctx: context
 - out: encrypted text buffer
 - (loutU + loutF): encrypted text size in bytes
 - in: plain text buffer
 - lin: plain text size in bytes
 - pos == loutU
- The size of *out* must be $(lin + bsize)$
 - The size of the encrypted text is $loutU + loutF$

Symmetric key decryption

- Context allocation
- Context preparation
- Decryption

```
EVP_DecryptInit(ctx,EVP_des_ecb(),NULL,NULL);
EVP_DecryptInit(ctx,NULL,key,NULL);
EVP_DecryptUpdate(ctx,out,&loutU,in,lin);
EVP_DecryptFinal(ctx,&out[pos],&loutF);
```
- Context deallocation

Symmetric key decryption

- Decryption operations

```
EVP_Decrypt_Update(ctx,out,&loutU,in,lin);  
EVP_Decrypt_Final(ctx,&out[pos],&loutF);
```

- ctx: context
 - out: decrypted text buffer
 - (loutU + loutF): plain text size in bytes
 - in: encrypted text buffer
 - lin: encrypted text size in bytes
 - pos == loutU
- The size of *out* must be $(lin + bsize)$
 - The size of the decrypted text is $loutU + loutF$

Example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <openssl/evp.h>
#include <openssl/rand.h>
```

```
void printbyte(char b) {
```

```
    char c;
```

```
    c = b;
```

```
    c = c >> 4;
```

```
    c = c & 15;
```

```
    printf("%X", c);
```

```
    c = b;
```

```
    c = c & 15;
```

```
    printf("%X:", c);
```

```
}
```

Example

```
void select_random_key(char *k, int b) {  
  
    int i;  
    RAND_bytes(k, b);  
  
    printf("Key: ");  
    for (i = 0; i < b - 1; i++)  
        printbyte(k[i]);  
  
    printbyte(k[b-1]);  
    printf("\n\n");  
  
}
```

Example

```
int main() {
    char *msg = " I can resist everything except temptation";
    char *plaintext, *ciphertext;
    char k[EVP_MAX_KEY_LENGTH]; /* encryption key */
    int nc; /* amount of bytes [de]crypte d at each step */
    int nctot; /* total amount of encrypted bytes */
    int i; /* index */
    int pt_len; /* plain text size */
    int ct_len; /* encrypted text size */
    int ct_ptr; /* first available entry in the buffer */
    int msg_len; /* message length */

    /* Context allocation */
    EVP_CIPHER_CTX *ctx = (EVP_CIPHER_CTX
*)malloc(sizeof(EVP_CIPHER_CTX));

    /* Context initialization */
    EVP_CIPHER_CTX_init(ctx);

    /* Context setup for encryption */
    EVP_EncryptInit(ctx, EVP_des_ecb(), NULL, NULL);
```

Example

```
/* Output of the original message */
printf("\nOriginal message:\n%s\n\n", msg);

/* Output of the encryption key size */
printf("Key size %d\n", EVP_CIPHER_key_length(EVP_des_ecb()));
/* Output of the block size */
printf("Block size %d\n\n", EVP_CIPHER_CTX_block_size(ctx));

/* Key generation */
select_random_key(k, EVP_MAX_KEY_LENGTH);

/* Encryption key set up */
EVP_EncryptInit(ctx, NULL, k, NULL);

/* Buffer allocation for the encrypted text */
msg_len = strlen(msg)+1;
ct_len = msg_len + EVP_CIPHER_CTX_block_size(ctx);

printf("Message size %d\n", msg_len);
printf("Ciphertext size %d\n", ct_len);
ciphertext = (char *)malloc(ct_len);
```

Example

```
/* Encryption */
nc = 0;
nctot = 0;
ct_ptr = 0;

EVP_EncryptUpdate(ctx, ciphertext, &nc, msg, msg_len);
ct_ptr += nc;
nctot += nc;

EVP_EncryptFinal(ctx, &ciphertext[ct_ptr], &nc);
nctot += nc;

printf("\nCiphertext:\n");
for (i = 0; i < ct_len; i++)
    printbyte(ciphertext[i]);
printf("\n\n");
```

Example

```
/* Buffer allocation for decryption */
pt_len = ct_len + EVP_CIPHER_CTX_block_size(ctx);
plaintext = (char *)malloc(pt_len);

/* Decryption context initialization */
EVP_CIPHER_CTX_init(ctx);
EVP_DecryptInit(ctx, EVP_des_ecb(), k, NULL);

/* Decryption */

nc = 0;
nctot = 0;
ct_ptr = 0;

EVP_DecryptUpdate(ctx, &plaintext[ct_ptr], &nc, ciphertext, ct_len);
ct_ptr += nc;
nctot += nc;

EVP_DecryptFinal(ctx, &plaintext[ct_ptr], &nc);
nctot += nc;
```


Example

```
for (i = 0; i < pt_len - 1; i++)
    printf("%c:", plaintext[i]);
printf("%c\n", plaintext[pt_len-1]);

printf("\n%s\n\n", plaintext);

EVP_CIPHER_CTX_cleanup(ctx);
free(ctx);
free(ciphertext);
free(plaintext);

return 0;

}
```