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ABSTRAK

Matlamat penyelidikan ini adalah untuk mencari sistem cryptography yang bersesuaian untuk *encrypt* dan *decrypt* fail .doc, mengimplimentasi kaedah cryptography itu pada aplikasi mudah menyerupai aplikasi email dan merekabentuk dan menjalankan satu set penilaian untuk memastikan keselamatan '*plaintext file*' di dalam persekitaran berasaskan web. Metodologi dan prosedur pengujian yang digunakan semasa penilaian ke atas sistem cryptography yang di implementasikan pada system aplikasi email adalah berdasarkan kepada model simulasi. Hasil daripada pengujian menggunakan set penilaian yang dibentuk, didapati ia dapat menunjukkan pencapaian sistem cryptography. ClipSecure dipilih menjadi sistem cryptography yang paling sesuai didalam skop projek ini kerana ia ada sembilan pilihan algoritma, ditambah dengan *hardcore mode* dan punya sokongan untuk kedua-dua jenis *encryption* iaitu message dan fail.

ABSTRACT

The objective of this research is primarily to find the best fit cryptography system that can encrypt and decrypt the extension file .doc, implement it in a simple application which works similar to email and construct and run a set of evaluation to securing plaintext file in a web based environment. The methodology and testing procedure which are used during this evaluation is based on a simulation model. Result from the evaluation set constructed is found able to show the performance of the cryptography system. ClipSecure is rated to be the best fitted features of cryptography system in this project scope for it has choices of nine algorithms, plus a hardcore mode and support for both message and file encryption.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Web security is a complex topic, encompassing computer system security, network security, authentication services, message validation, personal privacy issues, and cryptography (W3C, 2004). The continuous explosive growth of the World Wide Web's applicative usage has brought with it a need to securely protect sensitive communications sent over the Internet.

Businesses that accept transactions via the Web can gain a competitive edge by reaching a worldwide audience, at very low cost. But the Web poses a unique set of security issues, which businesses must address at the outset to minimize risk. Customers will submit information via the Web only if they are confident that their personal information, such as credit card numbers, financial data, or medical history, is secure.

Most encrypted transactions use a combination of private keys, public keys, symmetric keys, hash functions, and digital certificates to achieve authentication (both of the user and the Web server), confidentiality, data integrity, and non repudiation by either party. The general problem of securing file proposed in this thesis is the cryptographic protection of message and file generated by the usage of the electronic mail.

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