

SECRET SHARING SCHEME TO GENERATE MULTIPLE KEY IN NTRU CRYPTOSYSTEM

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Abstract : A secret sharing scheme is a method of distributing a message in parts among participants, each of which is allocated a share of the message. The message can be accessed completely, only when the group of participants come together, thus ensuring the safety of the message.

A public key cryptosystem is the most adopted method to achieve security, in which one key is made public so that outsiders can encrypt their message using that key. The private key is used to decrypt the secured encrypted message. RSA and NTRU are the two most popular public key cryptosystems which uses these methods. Although the owner creates his own private key, but there is no certainty that he can keep it intact for a long time. Problems like virus can corrupt that private key. In that case, decryption really becomes a challenge even for the owner of the key. For MNCs, the public key is same but to decrypt the same message different people may use different private key pair.

In this paper it is proposed a method that will help in generating different pair of private key for the same public key.

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Mathematical Preliminary

Modular arithmetic: if m is a positive integer, and a, b are two integers then, a is said to be congruent to b modulo m , if $a-b$ is divisible by m denoted by $a \equiv b$ modulo m or simply $a \equiv b \pmod m$. if $a \equiv b \pmod m$ and $c \equiv d \pmod m$ then $ax+cy \equiv bx+dy \pmod m$ for all integers x and y . if $a^n \equiv b^n \pmod m$ for any positive integer n . if $a \equiv b \pmod m$ the $F(a) \equiv F(b) \pmod m$, for any polynomial $F(x)$ with integer coefficients.

Truncated polynomials

NTRU public key cryptosystem are based on polynomials $R(x)$ of degree $n-1$ having integer coefficients of polynomials in $R(x)$. Arithmetic operations are done not in usual way. Since multiplication is done using truncated polynomials. If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are two polynomials of degree $n-1$ in single variable x i.e.,

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_{n-1}x^{n-1}$$

Then define a new polynomial $h(x) = f(x)*g(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_{n-1}x^{n-1}$

Where

$$c_i = a_0b_i + a_1b_{n-i} + \dots + a_ib_0 + a_{i+1}b_{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}b_i$$

Modulo operations on truncated polynomials

if $f(x)$ is congruent to k modulop, if p divides every coefficient of $f(x)$, except the constant term $f(0)$ and p divides $f(0)-k$. this is denoted by $f(x) \equiv k \pmod p$.

Inverse in truncated polynomials

the inverse modp of a polynomial $f(x)$ is another polynomial $F(x)$, if it satisfies the property $f*F=1 \pmod p$. Not every polynomial has an inverse modulo p but is easy to determine if f has an inverse and compute the inverse if it exists.

Outline of the NTRU algorithm

The NTRU PKCS[1][2][3][4] uses a ring that consists of truncated polynomials of degree $n-1$ denoted by $Z[X]/x^{n-1}$. select a large modulus q and small modulus p , so that $\text{gcd}(q,p)=1$. The coefficients of the truncated polynomial in $Z[X]/x^{n-1}$ will be reduced mod q . In the final step of decryption, the coefficients of polynomial are reduced modulo p .

First select two small polynomials f and g . a small polynomial is one in which all the coefficients are either 0 , or -1 or 1 .

Key creation

Step1 compute inverse of $f \pmod q = fq$, and inverse of $f \pmod p = fp$ with the property that $f \cdot fq = 1 \pmod q$ and $f \cdot fp = 1 \pmod p$.

Step2 compute the public key $h = p * fq * g \pmod q$ public key polynomial $= h$, private key polynomial $= \{f, fp\}$.

Encryption

Step1 select a message m and put it in the form of a polynomial m with the coefficient between $-p/2$ and $p/2$.

Steps 2 pick a random small polynomial r with coefficient 1 or -1 or 0 .

Step 3 encrypt the message m as $c = r * h + m \pmod q$

Decryption

Step1 upon receiving the ciphered text c , compute $a = f * c \pmod q$

Step 2 express the coefficients of a in the range $-q/2$ to $q/2$.

Step3 compute $b = a * fp \pmod p$.

Step 4 original message $m = b$. [5]

The proposed method

To generate secret sharing messages with multiple key generation basing on NTRU, everybody knows their private key $\{f_i, f_{ip}\}$. Assume that there is a trusted third party, and given shares of the

polynomials it will compute the inverse and distribute share of inverse to the participants. It is assumed that all participants agreed upon a common degree of the polynomial, and the values of p's and q

We have to share the message $m=m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4, \dots, m_n$ among n participants.

Let $p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_n$ and q are $n+1$ large primes

Trusted third party gives the inverses of private key and shares the inverse to the participants.

Algorithm to encrypt the message

Step 1 TTP calculates the inverses of f_i where f_i 's are the private key of the n participants, after receiving them

Step 2 TTP calculate the private key $h_i = p_i^{-1} \cdot f_i^{-1} \cdot g \pmod q$ where g is small polynomial kept secret

And sends the cipher text as $c_i = h_i + m_i \pmod q$ ($i=1, n$)

Algorithm to decrypt the message

Step 1 $f_i \cdot c_i = f_i \cdot h_i + f_i \cdot m_i \pmod q = f_i \cdot p_i \cdot f_i^{-1} \cdot g + f_i \cdot m_i \pmod q = p_i \cdot g + f_i \cdot m_i \pmod q$

$f_i \cdot p_i \cdot c_i = f_i \cdot p_i \cdot g + f_i \cdot m_i \pmod{p_i} = m_i$ since $p_i \cdot f_i \cdot g \pmod{p_i} = 0$

Analysis of the algorithm

The strength of the NTRU algorithm lies in keeping f_i and g secret. Though f_i is to be maintained secret it is f_i that is commonly used hence this paper has

concentrated in keeping both f and f_i 's confidential. By dividing m's into shares and each party involved in the communication have to keep their shares of f_i secret. The inverses of f_i 's are calculated by the trusted third party, after receiving the shares of f_i from each participant calculates its f_i 's with respect to p_i and $f_i \cdot q$ with respect to q.

Encryption and Decryption

The encryption is done by $c_i = h_i + m_i \pmod q$, where $h_i = p_i^{-1} \cdot f_i^{-1} \cdot g$, where g is any small polynomial.

To decrypt the message of the following steps are performed

$C_i = h_i + m_i \pmod q$

$F_i \cdot c_i = f_i \cdot h_i + f_i \cdot m_i$

$F_i \cdot c_i = f_i \cdot p_i \cdot f_i^{-1} \cdot g + f_i \cdot m_i \pmod q$

$= p_i \cdot g + f_i \cdot m_i \pmod q$

$f_i \cdot p_i \cdot c_i = f_i \cdot p_i \cdot g + f_i \cdot m_i \pmod q$

$C_i = m_i$ since $f_i \cdot p_i \cdot c_i = 0 + m_i \pmod q \pmod{p_i}$, $f_i \cdot p_i = 0 \pmod{p_i}$

Conclusions :This paper proposes algorithm for sharing the message among n participants and to generate multiple keys, encryption and decryption based on NTRU. The paper assumed that one party is communicating with n participants.

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