ENCRYPTION AND DECRYPTION OF COMPRESSED IMAGES

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ABSTRACT

Online image uploads have become ubiquitous through sites such as Patreon, Dropbox and Google Drive. As these become more common, users may want to encrypt their images before uploading the encrypted version to such sharing sites. However, most of these platforms also compress the image to allow for faster uploads, and this compression is known to be lossy. When decrypted, a lossy image could be entirely unrecognizable. Therefore, this work analyzes a current encryption scheme that is robust against noise and crop attacks, and therefore may be robust against compression. We find that it is most effective for smaller images, but further research is needed for larger and more compressed images.

1 Introduction

As technology advances, the security of image sharing has become more and more important. With images being widely available online, it may be necessary for these images to be encrypted, or only available to users with specific credentials. For example, sites like Patreon or Dropbox make images available to many users, but the uploader may want to encrypt their image so that only a few of those users can see the original image – paid subscribers, for example. In the case of Google drive, a user may want to encrypt images they upload so that the host cannot see the content of their image. The challenge that is presented with encrypting uploaded images is that most image hosting platforms employ lossy compression. Compression makes an image smaller and easier to load at the cost of image information. If the compression technique is "lossy", pixel information is lost in the compression process, and it standard for the JPEG image file type. Compressing an encrypted image could result in a corrupted decrypted image due to that information loss. In this work, we implement a published image compression technique that may be robust to compression, and evaluate its performance on different image sizes and levels of compression. We find that it is most effective on small images and that compression still loses out on image information, and more tests are required to find an encryption algorithm that is robust to compression.

2 Related Works

In this section, we will discuss other existing image encryption schemes. For example, Soleymani et al. recommend a public-key image encryption scheme using elliptic curves in their paper [1]. They argue that it is fast and resource efficient, and is thus useful for real-time applications such as image encryption. This was not implemented in the current work but can be useful for future works.

There also exists research on Encryption then Compression (EtC) systems, in which images are encrypted, compressed, (in some cases) decompressed, and then decrypted. For example, Kumar et al. present a EtC scheme uses DWT, singular value decomposition, and Huffman coding [2]. As part of EtC systems, image compression and decompression algorithms that work with different image encryption algorithms have been developed. For example, Schonberg et al. present a scheme to compress encrypted images based on linear error correcting codes [3]. Sathyalakshmi et al. propose a scheme for compressing and then decompressing AES encrypted images using discrete cosine transform (DCT) and discrete wavelet transform (DWT) compression [4].

Research has also been done on image encryption schemes that robust against existing image compression algorithms. For example, Chuman et al. propose a block scrambling-based encryption scheme that uses JPEG compression and decompression [5]. Ozturk and Sogukpinar analyze and compare two image encryption algorithms – Mirror-like image

encryption and Visual Cryptography – with and without PNG and JPEG compression [6]. Wang et al. propose a low-cost encryption scheme using rate-distortion optimization where encrypted images can be accurately decrypted even after their lossless compression by a third party [7].

Related to our research project is the topic of simultaneous image encryption and compression. One such algorithm, which uses using compressed sensing (CS), structurally random matrix (SRM), and permutation-diffusion type image encryption, is described and recommended by Zhang et al. [8].

Also related to our research project is the topic of partial image encryption, which uses format-preserving encryption to encrypt only parts of an image, while leaving others unencrypted. Jang et al. describe a scheme for partial image encryption using format-preserving encryption schemes FF1 and FF3-1, which does not increase the size of the data [9].

3 Algorithm

In this project, we implemented and evaluated the encryption algorithm given in [10]. For convenience, we will also briefly summarize it here.

First, the algorithm generates three random messages m_1 , m_2 , and m_3 , each of which is a 53-byte string. These are encrypted using RSA to yield the ciphertexts c_1 , c_2 , and c_3 [11]. The ciphertexts and messages are then used to initialize a quantum logistic map, which provides the keystream that is reversibly applied to the image, and the encrypted image is returned along with the ciphertexts. Since the private key is required to decrypt the ciphertexts, only the holder of the private key can regenerate the keystream and apply it to the encrypted image to recreate the original, assuming the keystream is truly pseudorandom.

The quantum logistic map is specified in terms of sequences x_i , y_i , and z_i , with

$$x_{0} = \frac{1}{[m_{1} - c_{1} \mod (M+1)(N+1)] + r}$$
$$y_{0} = \frac{1}{[m_{2} - c_{2} \mod (M+1)(N+1)] + r}$$
$$z_{0} = \frac{1}{[m_{3} - c_{3} \mod (M+1)(N+1)] + r}$$

where

$$r = \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sqrt[5]{(P(i,j) + i + j)^2},$$

the image dimensions are $M \times N$, and P(i, j) is the color value at pixel (i, j) in the image. These are then updated according to the quantum logistic map:

$$\begin{aligned} x_{i+1} &= r(x_i - |x_i|^2) - ry_i \\ y_{i+1} &= -y_i e^{-2\beta} + e^{-\beta} r\left((2 - x_i - x_i^*)y_i - x_i z_i^* - x_i^* z_i\right) \\ z_{i+1} &= -z_i e^{-2\beta} + e^{-\beta} r\left(2(1 - x_i^*)z_i - 2x_i y_i - x_i\right) \end{aligned}$$

where x_i^* is the complex conjugate of x_i and r and β are the logistic map parameters. We use the parameters $\beta = 6$ and r = 3.99, as given in [10].

Each channel of the image is subjected to five encryption rounds. Each round first permutes the rows and columns of the image matrix, performs a discrete cosine transform, permutes the rows and columns some more, then performs an inverse discrete cosine transform. The sequences x_i , y_i , and z_i are used to determine the row and column permutations; the full details are given in [10] and will not be repeated here.

4 Implementation

Since a reference implementation is not provided by [10], we have written one in Python.

4.1 Structure and Dependencies

Our implementation is written in Python; its primary dependencies are OpenCV [12] for working with images as matrices, Numpy [13] for performing mathematical operations on those image matrices, and rsa [14] and secrets [15] for cryptographic operations such as loading RSA keys and generating and encrypting the messages m_1 , m_2 , and m_3 .

An image is split into three channels, each of which undergo five encryption rounds; the functions enc and dec respectively call enc_channel and dec_channel to encrypt or decrypt each channel of the image. Since encryption and decryption rounds are done in much the same way, both enc_channel and dec_channel use encryption_round to perform a single encryption round.

We implement the necessary row/column permutations and discrete cosine transforms using helper functions permute_rows, permute_cols, dct, and inverse_dct. The quantum logistic map is implemented by update_xyz, which takes in values for x_i , y_i , and z_i (in addition to the logistic map parameters) and returns $(x_{i+1}, y_{i+1}, z_{i+1})$.

The source code for our implementation is given in Appendix A.

4.2 Challenges

Our first challenge was that, due to the structure of the quantum logistic map, x_i , y_i , and z_i increase exponentially in size. Using the quantum logistic map equations verbatim from [10] caused (x, y, z) to overflow all integer representations we could find. Therefore, our implementation performs all arithmetic operations modulo $(M + 1) \cdot (N + 1)$, where Mand N are the image dimensions.

We also experienced many issues with efficiency, mostly related to the discrete cosine transform (DCT). DCT inherently has time complexity $O(M^2 \cdot N^2)$, so even though we used Numpy optimizations where possible in our implementation, it is slow even for quite moderately sized images. Unfortunately, the encryption algorithm performs DCTs frequently: each encryption round requires one DCT and one inverse DCT, and a three-channel image will require fifteen encryption rounds. After Numpy optimization, a 96 × 72-pixel image took 40 seconds to encrypt, and a 162 × 208 image took 13 minutes.

5 Methods

We used two test images, shown in Table 1: a color photo of a flower [16], and a grayscale image with text [17].



(a) Color test image



(b) Grayscale test image

Table 1: The color and grayscale test images used in testing.

These images were resized to several different scales, in order to test encryption performance. We tested decryption of non-compressed images (which always worked perfectly), as well as decryption of images that had been subjected to various degrees of compression while encrypted. Since most encryption algorithms used by commercial platforms such

as Instagram are proprietary, we used ImageMagick [18] to compress our images. This also allowed us to experiment with a variety of compression parameters.

The base ImageMagick command used to compress images was:

```
> convert input.jpg \
    -sampling-factor 4:2:0 \
    -strip \
    -quality 85 \
    -interlace Plane \
    -gaussian-blur 0.05 \
    -colorspace RGB \
    output.jpg
```

The main parameters we modified were the quality and Gaussian blur (sampling is only applied if quality is less than 90 and had little visually apparent impact in any case). According to the JPEG image format, "quality" is a value between 1 and 100 inclusive, but the ratio of input image size to output image size varies nonlinearly with quality. Nevertheless, quality is usually specified as a percentage. By default, ImageMagick uses 92% quality for JPEG images [19].

The Gaussian blur parameter refers to the σ value used in the blur equation

$$G(u,v) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-(u^2 + v^2)/(2\sigma^2)}.$$

A higher value for σ corresponds to an increased amount of blur [20].

Lastly, when testing our implementation, we used the same 1024-bit length RSA keys, which can be found with on GitHub with our source code at https://github.com/shilohc/6857-proj. We generated the keys with openssl [21] using the following commands:

```
> openssl genrsa -out private.pem 1024
> openssl rsa -in private.pem -pubout -outform PEM -out public.pem
```

6 Results

6.1 Large image sizes

Because the algorithm had a long runtime, we started with very small images before gradually moving larger. This progression showed that results varied greatly between even small size differences of the same image.



(g) 128×96 image



(b) 32×24 encrypted



(d) 64×48 encrypted



(f) 96×72 encrypted



(h) 128×96 encrypted

Table 2: A comparison of the original and encrypted versions of various sizes of the same color image.

In Table 2, we see that when an image gets larger than 96×72 pixels, information begins to get leaked to the naked eye. To confirm these findings, we also tested on grayscale images, shown in Table 3.



Table 3: A comparison of the original and encrypted versions of various sizes of the same gray-scale image.

As we can see in both Table 2 and Table 3, as the size of the image increases the decryption becomes ineffective and completely clear to the naked eye. This is consistent with the examples in the original paper, as they were all quite small, but not useful for a general purpose image encryption scheme.

6.2 Compression of encrypted images

To check how the algorithm performs under compression, we used ImageMagick, a set of commands that allows for compression from the command line. We used this tool also because it allowed us to change the parameters of the compression, and so we were able to vary the blur and compression level. The results on a color image are shown in Table 4.



Encrypted, Decrypted images compressed images

Table 4: A comparison of the encrypted and decrypted images using different amounts of compression and blur.

Even with compression quality 95%, the image is nearly unrecognizable to the naked eye. This means that the image would not work as a key and only work to transfer information to humans in a few cases. Even with small images, the algorithm takes a very long time to run and returns noisy results.

7 Comparison with other algorithms

In this section, we discuss other encryption methods that may be effective with compression. These methods were already implemented by their creators, and so we tested on the existing implementations.

7.1 Image Encryption using Hénon Chaotic Map

A chaotic map is a map that exhibits chaotic, or seemingly random, behavior. Chaotic maps are simple and fast functions, making chaos-based image encryption algorithms fast enough for real-time applications [22]. Cryptographic algorithms and chaotic maps have similar properties, such as their sensitivity to changes in their initial conditions and their pseudorandom behavior. As a result, it makes sense to develop chaotic based cryptographic algorithms for secure communication and cryptography.

Image encryption using chaos is based on the ability of some dynamic systems to produce sequences of numbers that are random in nature. Messages are then encrypted using these sequences. Because of the pseudorandom behavior of chaotic maps, the output of the system will appear random to any attackers. However, the receiver will still be able to decrypt it using the system's initial parameters, i.e. the secret symmetric key. An important difference between cryptography and chaos maps is that encryption transformations are defined on finite sets whereas chaos maps have

meaning only for real numbers. Each chaos map has parameters that are equivalent to encryption key in cryptography [23].



(g) 2048×1536 encrypted



(b) 32×24 decrypted



(d) 128×96 decrypted



(f) 512×384 decrypted



(h) 2048×1536 decrypted

Table 5: Images of different sizes were encrypted using a chaos Hénon map and then saved as JPEG files. The encrypted images were then extracted from the JPEG files and decrypted using the chaos Hénon map.

To compare chaotic image encryption with the public-key image encryption algorithm we implemented, we tested an open source implementation of chaotic image encryption that uses Hénon chaos maps [24]. We modified the code to handle color images, and tested it with different amounts of compression.

We encrypted images of different sizes, saved them as JPEG images, and then decrypted them. The results can be found in Table 5. Note that there is some loss when decrypting the JPEG versions of the encrypted images. This loss is not present when decrypting from a BMP version of the encrypted images.



Table 6: We encrypted images with a chaos Hénon map, saved them as JPEG images, applied different amounts of compression and blur on them, and then decrypted the images using the chaos Hénon map.

The results of the tests we ran on images with different amounts of compression can be found in Table 6. Note that this algorithm handles compression slightly better than the asymmetric image encryption algorithm we implemented for this paper. However, even low amounts of compression still quickly make it difficult to recognize the decrypted image as a flower.

Overall, the chaos encryption algorithm was much faster than the one we implemented, and it handled compression slightly better. We ran the tests using a symmetric secret key of (0.1, 0.1). From some rudimentary testing, we found that changes to the secret key as small as 5e - 16 cause the decryption algorithm to output random noise. We also found that the secret key values can be any real number in the range [-2.2, 1], inclusive. (Note that the lower bound may be slightly lower, and may differ with the size of the image.) Since the algorithm is so sensitive to noise in its initial conditions (i.e. the secret key), there are over $(\frac{3.2}{5e-16} + 1) \times (\frac{3.2}{5e-16} + 1) = 4e31$ possible secret keys that an attacker would have to test to break the encryption. Thus, even if you could test each key in one nanosecond, it would still take over one trillion centuries to test all possible keys.

7.2 Image Encryption using Chaotic Logistic Map

We also tested an open source implementation of chaotic image encryption using a chaotic logistic maps [25]. We encrypted a test image, saved it as a JPEG file, and compressed it with 85% quality and 0.05 blur. We then decrypted the original encrypted array, the encrypted image loaded from the JPEG file, and the encrypted image after compression and blurring. The results can be found in Table 7.



(a) no compression



(b) JPEG conversion



(c) 85% quality compression, 0.05 blur

Table 7: A 512×512 grayscale image was encrypted using chaotic image encryption with a logistic map. The table above contains the decrypted uncompressed image (fig 7a), the decrypted image after JPEG conversion (fig 7b), and the decrypted image after 85% quality compression and 0.05 blur (fig 7c).

Unlike with the implementation using Hénon maps, compressing an encrypted image by any amount, even just by storing the encrypted array as a JPEG image, rendered the decrypted image completely indecipherable, and visually indistinguishable from random noise.

7.3 Homomorphic Image Encryption

Homomorphic encryption is a form of encryption that allows users to perform computations on the encrypted data without having to decrypt it first. We tested an open source implementation of an image encryption scheme that extends Paillier's Homomorphic Encryption (PHE) scheme to operate over images [26].



(a) 32×24 , no noise, decrypted



(b) 32×24 , some noise, decrypted

Table 8: A small image is encrypted using PHE. It is then decrypted before and after noise is added to it.

The encryption algorithm outputs an encrypted array of extremely large integers in the range (2e150, 6e153), which cannot be converted into an image, so instead of trying to compress the encrypted array, we tried adding some random noise to it, using the code numpy.random.choice([-1, 0, 1], p=[0.1, 0.8, 0.1], size=cipher.shape) to generate the noise. However, when even this tiny amount of noise was added to the encrypted array, the decrypted image immediately became indecipherable, resembling random noise. See Table 8 for a comparison between the decryption of the unedited encrypted array, which is identical to the input image, and the decryption of the noisy encrypted array.

7.4 Image Encryption Algorithm Based on Rubik's Cube

Lastly, we tested an open source implementation of an image encryption algorithm based on the Rubik's Cube [27]. The algorithm scrambles the original image using the principle of Rubik's cube and applies the XOR operator to the rows and columns of the scrambled image using two secret keys. The original image is scrambled using the principle of Rubik's cube. According to the author of the code, experimental results and analysis have shown that the scheme achieves good encryption and can resist multiple forms of attack.

We used the code to encrypt a test image, then saved it as a JPEG file and compressed it with 85% quality and 0.05 blur. We then decrypted the original encrypted array, the encrypted image loaded from the JPEG file, and the encrypted image after compression and blurring.



(a) no compression



(b) JPEG conversion



(c) 85% quality compression, 0.05 blur

Table 9: A 453×512 grayscale image was encrypted using an image encryption scheme based on Rubik's Cube. The table above contains the decrypted uncompressed image (fig 9a), the decrypted image after JPEG conversion (fig 9b), and the decrypted image after 85% quality compression and 0.05 blur (fig 9c).

The results can be found in Table 9. As you can see, the decrypted image after JPEG conversion is almost completely indecipherable. In addition, after JPEG conversion, compression with 85% quality, and 0.05 blurring, the decrypted image is indistinguishable from random noise.

8 Conclusions

Overall, we found that our implementation of the method shown by Jiao et al. is not very effective at hiding compressed images. As pictures got larger, the encrypted images became less and less hidden by inspection. This is consistent with the results in the original paper, which only used very small images. However, this shows that this method is not very effective for more typically sized images. It is possible that we might get better results using keys with a larger bit length, as we were using RSA keys with a bit length of 1024 for our tests. However, using larger keys significantly increases the computational cost of the algorithm, and consequently, we weren't able to test this.

Secondly, while the method claims to be effective against crop attacks and noisy images, it is not effective with compressed images. With even a 5 percent compression, the decrypted image is heavily corrupted, and blur has a strong effect on the decrypted image as well. It seems that the blur effect is disproportionate and requires a scheme that is specifically robust to blurring. However, this may mean that the scheme would not be entirely secure, since increased robustness increases the chance of collisions. Overall, the tested cryptographic method is not very effective for the encryption, and we would need to look for a scheme that is more specifically robust against blurring. However, other methods show promise and we believe that a method to return compressed and decrypted images is in the future.

9 Future Work

Given our results, there are plenty of avenues for future work. First, there are many other possible encryption scheme that could be effective for compression. Our next step would be to test out other published methods: since compression tends to involve blurring operations, it seems that methods designed to be robust to blurring might be more effective. As noted in Section 4.2, the algorithm we studied was slow even on quite small images; since performance is important for practical applications, it would be useful to compare encryption/decryption speeds against other encryption schemes.

Another option would be to try another compression type that does not rely as much on blurring. This includes "lossless" image formats, which by definition has no loss of image information. We would expect that a lossless format would decrypt successfully, but may not be compressible; characterizing compressibility of lossless encrypted images would also be useful for practical applications. Overall, this is a broad and useful topic with many options for expansion.

A Source Code

The full source code and test images are available on GitHub at https://github.com/shilohc/6857-proj. The encryption and decryption algorithms are implemented by encrypt.py:

```
import cv2
1
    import numpy as np
2
3
    import rsa
    import secrets
4
    import sys
5
    import struct
6
    import time
7
8
    def update_xyz(xyz, mod_n, r=3.99, beta=6):
9
10
        Updates x, y, z according to the quantum logistic map. Default values of
11
        the parameters beta and r are given on page 6 of the paper; the quantum
12
```

```
logistic map is given in equations 1-3. Note that x, y, z are complex
13
14
         numbers.
15
         Calculates all values mod (N+1)(M+1) (where M and N are the dimensions of
         the input image).
16
17
         x, y, z = xyz
18
         x_{new} = mod(r * (x - abs(x) **2) - r * y, mod_n)
19
         y_{new} = mod(-y * np.exp(-2*beta) + np.exp(-beta) * r * ((2 - x - np.conjugate(x)) * y - x *
20
         \hookrightarrow np.conjugate(z) - np.conjugate(x) * z), mod_n)
         z_new = mod(-z * np.exp(-2*beta) + np.exp(-beta) * r * (2 * (1 - np.conjugate(x)) * z - 2 * x *
21
         \rightarrow y - x), mod_n)
         return x_new, y_new, z_new
22
23
    def dct(img):
24
25
         Computes the discrete cosine transform of the array img. Assumes that img
26
         is grayscale (single-channel).
27
28
         M, N = img.shape
29
30
         out = np.zeros((M,N))
         i_array = np.array([[i for j in range(N)] for i in range(M)])
j_array = np.array([[j for j in range(N)] for i in range(M)])
31
32
         sigma_array = np.array([[sigma(i, M) * sigma(j, N) for j in range(N)] for i in range(M)])
33
34
         for u in range(M):
             for v in range(N):
35
                  \cos_{array} = np.cos(u * (2*i_{array} + 1) * np.pi)/(2*M) * 
36
37
                                np.cos(v * (2*j_array + 1) * np.pi)/(2*N)
                  out[u][v] = np.sum(img * cos_array)
38
39
         return out * sigma_array
40
    def inverse_dct(img):
41
42
         Computes the inverse discrete cosine transform of the array img. Assumes
43
44
         that img is grayscale (single-channel).
45
         M, N = img.shape
46
        out = np.zeros((M,N), dtype=np.float32)
u_array = np.array([[u for v in range(N)] for u in range(M)])
v_array = np.array([[v for v in range(N)] for u in range(M)])
47
48
49
50
         sigma_array = np.array([[sigma(u, M) * sigma(v, N) for v in range(N)] for u in range(M)])
         for i in range(\dot{M}):
51
             for j in range(N):
52
                  cos_array = np.cos(u_array * (2*i + 1) * np.pi)/(2*M) * \
53
                                np.cos(v_array * (2*j + 1) * np.pi)/(2*N)
54
                  out[i][j] = np.sum(sigma_array * cos_array)
55
56
         return img * out
57
    def permute_rows(img, primes):
58
         \tilde{M}, N = img.shape
59
         out = np.zeros((M, N))
60
         for i in range(M):
61
             for j in range(N):
62
                  out[i][j] = img[i][int((j + primes[i] - 1) % N)]
63
         return out
64
65
    def permute_cols(img, primes):
66
         M, N = img.shape
67
68
         out = np.zeros((M, N))
         for i in range(M):
69
             for j in range(N):
70
                  out[i][j] = img[int((i + primes[j] - 1) % M)][j]
71
         return out
72
73
    def encryption_round(X_rk, xyz_prev, mod_n, r, verbose=False):
74
75
         M, N = X_{rk.shape}
76
         \# xyzs = [xyz_{500+rk(MN)}, xyz_{500+rk(MN)+1}, \dots, xyz_{500+rk(MN)+MN}]
77
         xyzs = [list(xyz_prev)]
78
79
         for i in range(M*N):
             xyzs append(update_xyz(xyzs[-1], mod_n, r))
80
81
         # Calculate x_k', y_k', z_k', w_k', and s_k
xk_primes = [(np.floor(xyzs[k+1][0] * 1e14)) % (N+1) for k in range(M)]
82
83
         yk_primes = [(np.floor(xyzs[k+1][1] * 1e14)) % (M+1) for k in range(N)]
84
```

```
zk_primes = [(np.floor((xyzs[k+1][2] * 0.6 + xyzs[k+1][0] * 0.4) * 1e14)) \
85
                 % (N+1) for k in range(M)]
86
         wk_primes = [(np.floor((xyzs[k+1][2] * 0.6 + xyzs[k+1][1] * 0.4) * 1e14)) \
87
                 % (M+1) for k in range(N)]
88
         sk = np.array([[np.fix(sum(xyzs[M*j+i+1]) * 1e14) % 256 for j in range(N)] \
89
                 for i in range(M)], dtype=np.int64)
90
91
92
         if verbose:
             print("Starting row and column permutations...")
93
         Xrk_permuted = permute_cols(permute_rows(X_rk, xk_primes), yk_primes)
94
95
         if verbose:
             print("Starting DCT coefficient matrix...")
96
         F = dct(Xrk_permuted)
97
         if verbose:
98
99
             print("Starting row and column permutations...")
         F_permuted = permute_cols(permute_rows(F, zk_primes), wk_primes)
100
         if verbose:
101
             print("Starting inverse DCT coefficient matrix...")
102
         G = inverse_dct(F_permuted)
103
         if verbose:
104
             print("Generating encrypted image...")
105
         xor_values = np.bitwise_xor(np.bitwise_xor(G.astype('int64'), sk),
106
                 X_rk.astype('int64'))
107
108
         return xor_values, xyzs[-1]
109
    def gen_ciphertexts(pkb):
110
111
         Randomly select three messages, encoded as bytes, then
use the messages and the public key to generate three
112
113
         ciphertexts. The messages can be at most (length of public key in bytes - 11) bytes long.
114
         Returns the messages and ciphertexts.
115
116
         messages = [secrets.token_bytes(53) for i in range(3)]
117
         return messages, [rsa.encrypt(m, pkb) for m in messages]
118
119
    def read_keys(public_filename, secret_filename):
120
121
         takes any two public and secret key files
122
         returns rsa.key.PublicKey and rsa.key.PrivateKey types
123
         easily converted to string if need be
124
125
126
         with open(public_filename, mode='rb') as public_file:
127
             key_data = public_file.read()
128
             public_key = rsa.PublicKey.load_pkcs1_openssl_pem(key_data)
129
130
         with open(secret_filename, mode='rb') as secret_file:
131
             key_data = secret_file.read()
132
             secret_key = rsa.PrivateKey.load_pkcs1(key_data)
133
134
         return public_key, secret_key
135
136
137
    def sigma(x, L):
138
         Helper function called by dct and inverse_dct.
139
140
         if x==0:
141
             return np.sqrt(1/L)
142
143
         return np.sqrt(2/L)
144
    def mod(a, n):
145
146
147
         Returns `a mod n`, where `a` can be a complex or real number.
148
         # If a is not complex
149
         if not isinstance(a, complex):
150
151
             return a % n
152
         return complex(a.real % n, a.imag % n)
153
154
    def enc(img, pkb, verbose=False):
155
         """ Calls enc_channel on each channel in the image. """
156
         if verbose:
157
             print("Starting encryption...")
158
159
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```
image_dims = img.shape
160
          # If image has one channel (grayscale)
161
         if len(image_dims)==2:
162
              return enc_channel(img, pkb)
163
164
         # Else if image has 3 or 4 channels (RGB or RGBA)
if len(image_dims)==3 and (image_dims[2]==3 or image_dims[2]==4):
    cipher, r, enc_img = ([], [], [])
165
166
167
              for channel in range(image_dims[2]):
168
169
                  cipher_channel, r_channel, enc_img_channel =
                       enc_channel(img[:,:,channel], pkb, verbose=verbose)
170
                  cipher.append(cipher_channel)
171
172
                  r.append(r_channel)
                  enc_img.append(enc_img_channel.T) # (rows, cols) => (cols, rows)
173
              enc_img = np.array(enc_img).T # (channels, cols, rows) => (rows, cols, channels)
174
175
              return (cipher, r, enc_img)
176
177
          # Else invalid image
         return (None, None, None)
178
179
     def enc_channel(img, pkb, verbose=False):
180
181
          Takes in one channel of the plain image and the public key,
182
          and returns the ciphertexts, r, and the encrypted image.
183
184
185
         if verbose:
186
             print("Encrypting new channel...")
187
          # Calculate
188
         M, N = img.shape
189
         r = np.sum((np.concatenate(list(np.arange(j,N+j) for j in range(M))) + img.flatten())**(2/5))
190
191
         if verbose:
             print("Calculated r...")
192
         mod_n = (M+1)*(N+1) if (M+1)*(N+1)>256 else (M+1)*(N+1)*256
193
194
         # Calculate m, c
195
         m, c = gen_ciphertexts(pkb)
196
         m_int = [int.from_bytes(m_i, sys.byteorder) for m_i in m]
197
         c_int = [int.from_bytes(c_i, sys.byteorder) for c_i in c]
198
199
         if verbose:
             print("Calculated m, c...")
200
201
          # Calculate xyz_500
202
         xyz = [mod(1/(abs(m_int[i] - c_int[i]) + r), mod_n) for i in range(3)]
203
         for i in range(500):
204
              xyz = update_xyz(xyz, mod_n, r)
205
206
          # X_rk holds the value of the image at start of round rk; X_0 = plain image
207
         X_rk = np.array(img, dtype=np.float32)
208
          # xyz_prev holds the value xyz_{500 + rk(MN)} (xyz_500 before rk loop)
209
210
         xyz_prev = xyz
211
         for rk in range(5):
212
              if verbose:
213
                  print("In encryption round {}...".format(rk))
214
215
              X_rk, xyz_prev = encryption_round(X_rk, xyz_prev, mod_n, r, verbose)
216
          # Output ciphertexts, r, and encrypted image
217
         return (c, r, X_rk)
218
219
     def dec(img, ciphertexts, r, pkb, skb, verbose=False):
    """ Calls dec_channel on each channel in the img. """
220
221
          if verbose:
222
              print("Starting encryption...")
223
224
         image_dims = img.shape
225
          # If image has one channel (grayscale)
226
         if len(image_dims)==2:
227
              return dec_channel(img, ciphertexts, r, pkb, skb)
228
229
          # Else if image has 3 or 4 channels (RGB or RGBA)
230
         if len(image_dims)==3 and (image_dims[2]==3 or image_dims[2]==4):
231
232
              dec_img = []
              for channel in range(image_dims[2]):
233
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```
dec_img_channel = dec_channel(img[:,:,channel], ciphertexts[channel], r[channel],
234
                                                     pkb, skb, verbose=verbose)
235
                  dec_img.append(dec_img_channel.T) # (rows, cols) => (cols, rows)
236
              dec_img = np.array(dec_img).T # (channels, cols, rows) => (rows, cols, channels)
237
              return dec_img
238
239
240
          # Else invalid image
         return (None, None, None)
241
242
     def dec_channel(img, ciphertexts, r, pkb, skb, verbose=False):
243
         if verbose:
244
              print("Encrypting new channel...")
245
          # Calculate r
246
         M, N = img.shape
247
         if verbose:
248
              print("Calculated r...")
249
         mod_n = (M+1)*(N+1) if (M+1)*(N+1)>256 else (M+1)*(N+1)*256
250
251
          # Calculate m, c
252
253
         c = ciphertexts
         m = [rsa.decrypt(i, skb) for i in c]
254
255
         m_int = [int.from_bytes(m_i, sys.byteorder) for m_i in m]
256
         c_int = [int.from_bytes(c_i, sys.byteorder) for c_i in c]
         if verbose:
257
              print("Calculated m, c...")
258
259
          # Calculate xyz_500
260
         xyz = [mod(1/(abs(m_int[i] - c_int[i]) + r), mod_n) \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(3)]
261
         for i in range(500):
262
              xyz = update_xyz(xyz, mod_n, r)
263
264
          # C_rk is the encrypted image at start of round rk
265
266
          # C_0 = original encrypted image
         C_rk = np.array(img, dtype=np.float32)
267
          # xyz_prev holds the value xyz_{500 + rk(MN)} (xyz_500 before rk loop)
268
         xyz_prev = xyz
269
270
         for rk in range(5):
271
              if verbose:
272
                  print("In decryption round {}...".format(rk))
273
              C_rk, xyz_prev = encryption_round(C_rk, xyz_prev, mod_n, r, verbose)
274
275
          # Output decrypted image
276
         return C_rk
277
278
         __name__ == "__main__":
img_filename = "testimage1_64x48.jpg"
     if __name
279
280
         print("Starting...")
281
         start = time.time()
282
         pk, sk = read_keys("rsa-keys/public.pem", "rsa-keys/private.pem")
283
         img = cv2.imread("images/" + img_filename)
284
         c, r, enc_img = enc(img, pk, verbose=True)
285
         print("Time to encrypt:", time.time() - start)
cv2.imwrite("encrypted/" + img_filename, enc_img)
286
287
288
289
         start = time.time()
         dec_img = dec(enc_img, c, r, pk, sk, verbose=False)
290
         print("Time to decrypt:", time.time() - start)
cv2.imwrite("results/" + enc_filename, dec_img)
291
292
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