



Reliable RSA Cryptosystem Using the Path Tracing Method

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ABSTRACT

The reliability theory has many applications in different areas, in mathematics, engineering, manufacturing the devices, computer science and cryptography as well. A reliable cryptosystem: type RSA has been proposed in 2 dimension. The plaintext M has been divided into two parts m_1 and m_2 in the proposed reliable RSA cryptosystem (R-RSA). Sub-ciphertexts (C_1, C_2) and (C_1', C_2') form two paths which are corresponding to the parts m_1 and m_2 respectively. The encrypted plaintext is designed as a reliable system which considers a new main point in this work. The encryption and decryption processes on the proposed R-RSA cryptosystem are done using the path tracing method (PTM) and parallel series reduction method (PSRM). A study case of the R-RSA cryptosystem is discussed as a new experimental result. The security issues on R-RSA cryptosystem are determined. A more secure R-RSA cryptosystem has been designed for communication in compare to other previous cryptosystems.

Keywords: Cryptography, RSA cryptosystem, Reliability, R-RSA, Security.



INTRODUCTION

Cryptography is employed to protect the information based on the various techniques. Some techniques are depended on Algebra, especially matrix algebra or linear algebra or abstract algebra [1-4]. Another direction of methods focuses on using Diophantine equations especially elliptic curves [5-8]. The graph and optimization theories also are used to design several cryptographic schemes [9,10]. On the other hand, some encryption schemes are formed using the reliability theory. The reliability [11] is the probability that a system performs satisfactorily for a time period with some conditions.

LITERATURE REVIEW

For information transmission, the integral aspects are reliability and security. Several researchers in their work to increase these aspects. Some coding theory and cryptographic techniques are achieved with largely reliability [12]. In 2014, S. Xiao et al. [13] introduced the evaluation and estimation of the performance of key management schemes (KMSs) based on the reliability theory. The analysis of reliability showed the KMSs concentrate on postponing the key theft as well as possible directions to improve the reliability of KMSs. In 2017, S. Subramanian et al. [14] presenting two block ciphers which are used for authenticated encryption algorithms. In 2023, B. Kadim and R. Ajeena [15] proposed the reliable El-Gamal cryptosystem (R-EPKC) using the PTM. Also, in 2024, the same authors [16] used the modified decomposition method (M-DM) to design reliable Rabin cryptosystem (R-RPKC).

This work proposes using the PTM for computing the proposed R-RSA public key cryptosystem. On the proposed cryptosystem, the plaintext M is divided into parts. The ciphertext C of M is done and represents as two paths

C_1 and C_2 using the PTM. The decryption process is computed to recover the original plaintext based on the series-parallel reduction method (SPRM).

The outline of this work includes: Some reliability systems which are series, parallel and parallel-series systems. Also, some reliable methods of the complex system is discussed, especially the PTM and SPRM. The R-RSA public key cryptosystem is proposed as a new contribution in this work. A study case of R-RSA cryptosystem has been presented as a new experimental result. The R-RSA cryptosystem security issue is determined. The conclusions of this research work is drawn.

SOME RELIABILITY SYSTEMS

This section presents some fundamental facts and concepts related to the reliability systems. There are several reliability systems, some of them are discussed as follows.

Series Systems

The success or failure of full system can be determined based on the components of it. With the failure of one or more than one component in the system and the result is a failure then the system is named by series system (SS) [18], see Figure (1).

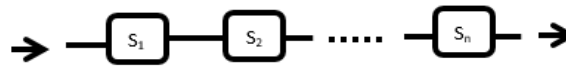


Figure 1. A series system.

This means that, all components of the system work, so the system success to perform the function that designed for it. Let SS has n mutually independent components. The failure of one component, with mutually independence property, is not affecting on the life of the rest components. The parameters that can be used are: S_i is the event (path) with component i that is operational, S is the path of the system, $R(t)$ is the system reliability and $R_i(t)$ indicates to the reliability of component i . The system reliability is determined based on the probability by

$$R = P(S) = P(S_1 \cdot S_2 \cdot \dots \cdot S_n). \quad (1)$$

Since the components are independent, so

$$R = P(S) = P(S_1) \cdot P(S_2) \cdot \dots \cdot P(S_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n R_i. \quad (2)$$

The system reliability is

$$R = R_0^n, \quad (3)$$

when all n components be identical to the reliability R_0 .

Parallel Systems

If the failure of full system occurred depending on the failure that obtained all components of the system, then there is a parallel system (PS) [18] that is shown in Figure (2).

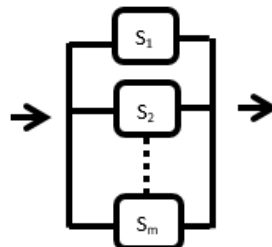


Figure 2. A Parallel System (PS).

In general, the reliability of a PS can be computed as follows. With m components of a parallel system which are mutually independent components. The system unreliability F (failure probability) is expressed by

$$F = P(\bar{S}) = P(\bar{S}_1 \cdot \bar{S}_2 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{S}_m), \quad (4)$$

where $\bar{S}$ is the complement element of S . Since the event (path) are mutually independent then F in Equation (4) is rewritten by

$$F = P(\bar{S}) = P(\bar{S}_1) \cdot P(\bar{S}_2) \cdot \dots \cdot P(\bar{S}_m) = \prod_{i=1}^m (1 - R_i). \quad (5)$$

The unreliability components system gives the reliability system, namely

$$R = \prod_{i=1}^m (1 - R_i). \quad (6)$$

The identical of all components m leads to

$$R = 1 - (1 - R_i)^m \quad (7)$$

Parallel-Series System

The parallel connection of the n disjoint paths with path i has m_i connected components in series for $1 \leq i \leq n$ forms a parallel-series system (PSS) [17]. The diagram of PSS reliability is shown in Figure (3).

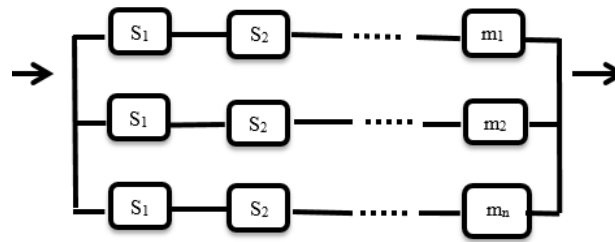


Figure 3. A PSS.

In the PSS, the components are not in common are available in n minimal paths. Each path reliability considers as a function of its component reliabilities.

- p_{ij} : reliability of component j in path i , $1 \leq i \leq n$, $1 \leq j \leq m_i$
- $q_{ij} : 1 - p_{ij}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, $1 \leq j \leq m_i$

The reliability of path i is

$$P_i = \prod_{j=1}^{m_i} P_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, n. \quad (8)$$

The PSS reliability is

$$R_s = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - P_i) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \prod_{j=1}^{m_i} P_{ij}). \quad (9)$$

The system's reliability is

$$R_s = 1 - (1 - P_m)^n, \quad (10)$$

with the distributed components are independent and identically and they have reliability $p_{ij} = p$ as well as the components number in each path is constant, namely $m_i = m$.

SOME RELIABLE METHODS

Two reliable methods are discussed as follows.

Path Tracing Method

On PTM [18], each path from a starting into an ending can be considered. From one end to the other in the reliability block diagram at least one path available. As well, from the beginning of the path to the end of it at least one path is available that the success of a system determines. So, it does not failed system is available as given in Figure (4)

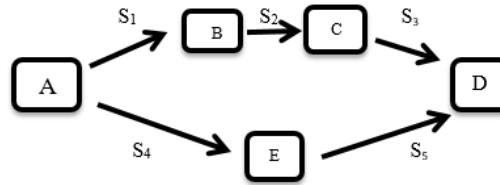


Figure 4. A complex system.

that has two paths which cannot fail as given in Figure (5).

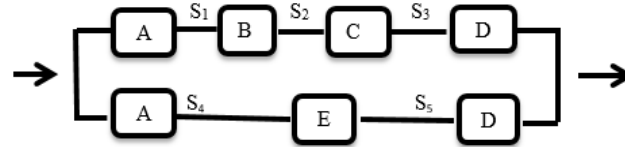


Figure 5. Parallel-series system.

The paths in Figure (5) are: $P_1 = S_1-S_2-S_3$ and $P_2 = S_4-S_5$. The series paths reliability Rs_j with $j=1,2$ is calculated based on the reliability R_i of subsystems S_i for $i=1, \dots, 5$. So, the reliability is

$$Rs_j = \prod_{i=1}^n R_i, \text{ where } n \text{ is the subsystems number } S_i \text{ in path } P_j.$$

Using Figure (5), series paths reliabilities are

$$Rs_1 = R_1 R_2 R_3 \text{ and } Rs_2 = R_4 R_5.$$

The parallel system reliability R_p is

$$R_p = 1 - \prod_{j=1}^m (1 - Rs_j), \text{ with the paths number is } m.$$

$$Rs = 1 - [(1 - Rs_1)(1 - Rs_2)]$$

$$= 1 - [1 - (R_1 R_2 R_3)(1 - R_4 R_5)]$$

$$= R_4 R_5 + R_1 R_2 R_3 - R_1 R_2 R_3 R_4 R_5.$$

Series-Parallel Reduction Method

The complex system reliability in Figure (4) can be described as a SPS by

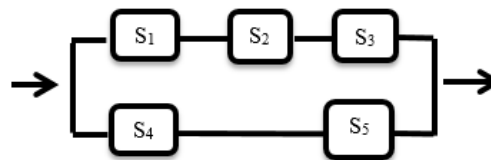


Figure 6. A series-parallel system.

In Figure (6), five components S_i , for $i = 1, \dots, 5$ are available. The component S reliability R_i . The system reliability can be evaluated using the SPRM. Based on Figure (6), a super-component S_a has S_1, S_2 and S_3 components which form a series subsystem. The super-component reliability is given by

$$R_a = R_1 R_2 R_3.$$

Another series subsystem of a super-component S_b has been formed by the components S_4 and S_5 . The super-component reliability is

$$R_b = R_4 R_5.$$

The series reductions in Figure (6) based on the super-components S_a and S_b can be expressed in Figure (7).

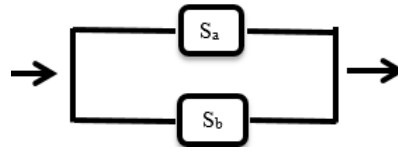


Figure 7. The S_a and S_b as series reductions.

The parallel system reliability R_s of S_a and S_b is computed by

$$R_s = 1 - \prod_{j=1}^m (1 - R_{s_j}), \text{ where } m \text{ is the paths number.}$$

The super-components S_a and S_b form a parallel subsystem S_c . The reliability $R_c(t)$ is

$$\begin{aligned} R_c &= 1 - [(1 - R_a)(1 - R_b)] \\ &= R_a + R_b - R_a R_b = R_1 R_2 R_3 + R_4 R_5 - R_1 R_2 R_3 R_4 R_5. \end{aligned}$$

Figure (8) shows the parallel reduction reliability that given in Figure (7).



Figure 8. The S_a and S_b as parallel reduction.

THE RELIABLE CRYPTOSYSTEM: TYPE RSA

The 2-dimension cryptosystem: type RSA (R-RSA) has proposed. First user selects the domain parameters: p_i and q_i for $i = 1, 2$ are large secret primes and e is a public encryption exponent with the property that $\gcd(e, (p_i - 1)(q_i - 1)) = 1$. The public modulo N_i and $\phi(N_i)$, $i = 1, 2$, namely $N_i = p_i q_i$ are computed. So, $\phi(N_i) = (p_i - 1)(q_i - 1)$. First user sent (N_1, N_2, e) as a public key to second user.

To encrypt the plaintext M of second user, so it divides into two parts $M = (m_1, m_2)$, where $m_1, m_2 \in [1, N-1]$. The ciphertext $C = (C_1, C_2)$ of $M = (m_1, m_2)$ is calculated below. For m_1 , the ciphertext is

$$C_1 = m_1^e \pmod{N_1}.$$

While, the ciphertext of m_2 is

$$C_2 = m_2^e \pmod{N_2}.$$

The ciphertext is $C = (C_1, C_2)$ has been received by first user. The network system of the ciphertext and public N_1, N_2 in the R-RSA cryptosystem is shown in Figure (9).

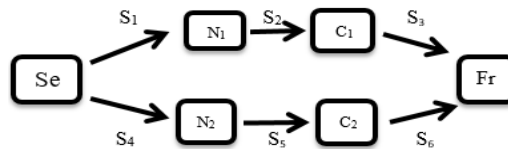


Figure 9. Network system of C and N_1, N_2 in the R-RSA cryptosystem.

Two paths of the R-RSA cryptosystem consists of N_1, C_1 of m_1 and N_2, C_2 of m_2 respectively. The proposed cryptosystem reliability is determined depending on the PTM [25]. The sets are $\{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$ and $\{S_4, S_5, S_6\}$ are minimal path sets. So, a parallel-series system of the proposed cryptosystem is shown in Figure (10).

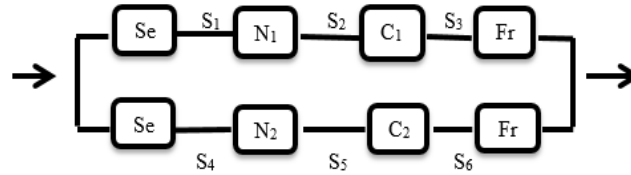


Figure 10. The R-RSA cryptosystem as a parallel-series system.

In this system, the paths are: $P_1 = S_1-S_2-S_3$ and $P_2 = S_4-S_5-S_6$. The series paths reliability Rs_j with $j=1,2$ is calculated depends on the reliability R_i of subsystems S_i for $i=1, \dots, 6$. So,

$$Rs_j = \prod_{i=1}^n R_i, \text{ where the number of subsystems } S_i \text{ in path } P_j \text{ is equal to } n.$$

The parallel system reliability Rs is

$$R_p = 1 - \prod_{j=1}^m (1 - Rs_j), \text{ with the paths number is } m.$$

The decryption is done as follows. Computing first $\phi(N_i) = (p_i-1)(q_i-1)$, for $i=1,2$. So, $ed_i \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(N_i)}$ can be solved, namely

$$d_1 \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(N_1)} \text{ and } d_2 \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(N_2)}.$$

First user also calculates

$$m_1 \equiv C_1^{d_1} \pmod{N_1} \text{ and } m_2 \equiv C_2^{d_2} \pmod{N_2}.$$

The original plaintext is (m_1, m_2) . For encrypting the messages, new technique has been proposed based on the reliable method which is named by parallel-series reduction method (PSRM) that employs also to decrypt the ciphertext and recover the original plaintext. In Figure (11), the reliability system has two paths with six components.

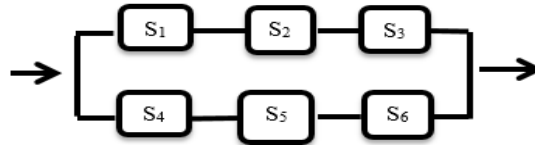


Figure 11. The plaintext paths form a parallel-series block.

The components S_1, S_2, S_3 , and S_4, S_5, S_6 , in Figure (11), form the series subsystems which are recreated using the super-components that are indicated into m_1 and m_2 respectively. The super-components reliabilities are $m_1 = R_1 R_2 R_3$ and $m_2 = R_4 R_5 R_6$. The series reductions in Figure (11) have been represented into Figure (12).

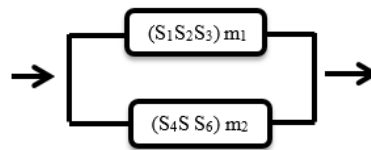


Figure 12. The plaintext paths as a parallel block diagram.

A parallel subsystem has been formed based on the components m_1 and m_2 given in Figure (12) and that can be reformed by a super-component for referring into M . The super-component M has reliability computed by

$$R_p = 1 - \prod_{j=1}^k (1 - Rs_j), \text{ where the number of the paths } P_j \text{ equal to } k.$$

In Figure (12), the parallel reductions are converted into Figure (13).

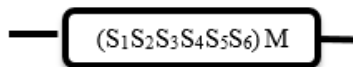


Figure 13. The plaintext system.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Study Case on the R-RSA Cryptosystem

First user selects $p_1=11$, $p_2=89$, $q_1=13$ and $q_2=5$ as secret prime numbers. The parameter $e=71$ is selected also as a public encryption exponent with the property that $\gcd(e, (p_i-1)(q_i-1))=1$, $i=1,2$. She/He computes her/his public modulo N_i . Computing $\phi(N_i)$ is done with $N_1 = p_1q_1 = 11 \times 13 = 143$ and $N_2 = p_2q_2 = 89 \times 5 = 445$ so, the values of

$$\phi(N_1) = (p_1-1)(q_1-1) = 10 \times 12 = 120 \text{ and } \phi(N_2) = (p_2-1)(q_2-1) = 88 \times 4 = 352.$$

The public key of the first user is $(N_1, N_2, e) = (143, 445, 71)$.

To encrypt the plaintext M . Second user divided M into two parts m_1 and m_2 , where $M = (m_1, m_2) = (43, 59)$ such that $M \in [1, N-1]$. Second user uses a public key (N_1, N_2, e) to compute the ciphertext $C = (C_1, C_2)$ for m_1 and m_2 . For m_1 , the ciphertext is computed by

$$C_1 = m_1^e \pmod{N_1} \equiv 20^{71} \pmod{143} = 10.$$

While, the ciphertext of m_2 is

$$C_2 = m_2^e \pmod{N_2} \equiv 32^{71} \pmod{445} = 439.$$

So, the ciphertext is $(C_1, C_2) = (10, 439)$ has been received by the first user. The network system of the ciphertext public parameter N_1 and N_2 in the R-RSA cryptosystem is shown in Figure (14).

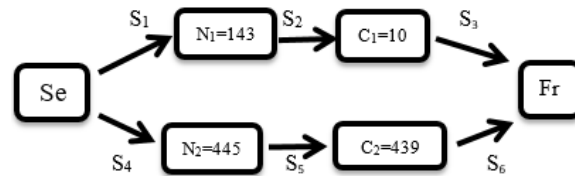


Figure 14. Network system of the (C_1, C_2) , N_1 and N_2 in the R-RSA cryptosystem.

On the R-RSA cryptosystem, the paths of N_i and C_i of m_i for $i=1,2$ are formed. The reliability is calculated based on the PTM. The $\{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$ and $\{S_4, S_5, S_6\}$ are minimal path sets. Figure (15) shows a parallel-series system of R-RSA cryptosystem.

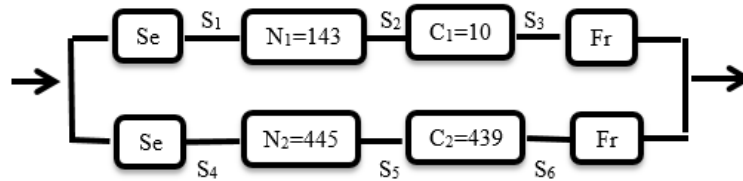


Figure 15. The proposed R-RSA cryptosystem as a parallel-series system.

In Figure (15), the paths are: $P_1 = S_1-S_2-S_3$ and $P_2 = S_4-S_5-S_6$. Computing the series paths reliability Rs_j for $j=1,2$ is done by

$$Rs_j = \prod_{i=1}^n R_i, \text{ where } n \text{ is the number of subsystems } S_i \text{ in path } P_j.$$

So, it is possible to determine

$$Rs_1 = R_1 R_2 R_3 \text{ and } Rs_2 = R_4 R_5 R_6.$$

The parallel system reliability Rs is

$$R_p = 1 - \prod_{j=1}^m (1 - Rs_j), \text{ with the paths number } m.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 RS_j &= 1 - [(1 - RS_1)(1 - RS_2)] \\
 &= 1 - [(1 - R_1R_2R_3)(1 - R_4R_5R_6)] \\
 &= R_1R_2R_3 + R_4R_5R_6 - R_1R_2R_3R_4R_5R_6.
 \end{aligned}$$

Upon first user receives the ciphertext $(C_1, C_2) = (10, 439)$, she/he does the following computations:

$$\emptyset(N_1) = 120 \text{ and } \emptyset(N_2) = 352.$$

So, she/he computes

$$d_1 \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\emptyset(N_1)} \equiv 71^{-1} \pmod{120} = 71$$

and

$$d_2 \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\emptyset(N_2)} \equiv 71^{-1} \pmod{352} = 119.$$

She/ He calculates

$$m_1 \equiv C_1^{d_1} \pmod{N_1} \equiv 10^{71} \pmod{143} = 43$$

and

$$m_2 \equiv C_2^{d_2} \pmod{N_2} \equiv 439^{119} \pmod{445} = 59.$$

The original plaintext of the $(m_1, m_2) = (43, 59)$. For encrypting the messages, new technique has been proposed based on the PSRM that employs also for decrypting the ciphertext. In Figure (16), the reliability system has two paths with six components.

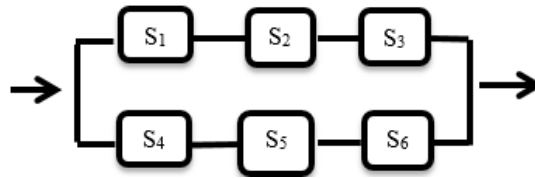


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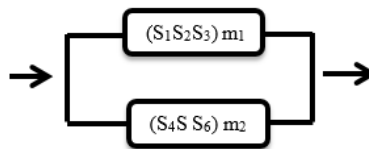


Figure 17. The plaintext paths in the parallel block diagram.

A parallel subsystem has been formed based on the components m_1 and m_2 given in Figure (17) and that can be recreated using the super-component for referring into M . Computing the reliability of super-component M is done by

$$R_m = 1 - (1 - R_{m_1})(1 - R_{m_2}) = R_{m_1} + R_{m_2} - R_{m_1}R_{m_2}.$$

In Figure (17), the parallel reductions are converted into Figure (18).

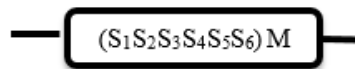


Figure 18. The original plaintext system.

SECURITY ISSUES

Another version of RSA cryptosystem is proposed to enhance the security. On new proposed cryptosystem which is named by R-RSA cryptosystem, two parameters N_1 and N_2 of public key are generated based on secret primes p_1q_1 and p_2q_2 respectively. So, we are working with two integer factorization problems which are considered as hard mathematical problem to solve by attackers with large choice of primes. Thus, it is more difficult to get these primes that the attacker can be used to recover two parts of the plaintext

CONCLUSION

In this work, a modified algorithm for RSA with enhanced security has been proposed through the connection for computing the complex system reliability. The security has been increased based on the hardness solving of the two integer factorization problems through choosing the secret large primes p_i and q_i for $i=1,2$ to generate the moduli N_1 and N_2 . Recovering the original plaintext which is divided into two parts by attackers became more difficult. No doubt time complexity is increased, but it is negligible in compare to security level and protection of plaintext which is more important in information security.

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