

Application of Rectangular Matrices: Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys

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ABSTRACT

In cryptography, we know the symmetric key algorithms and asymmetric key algorithms. We know that the asymmetric key algorithm is more secure than the symmetric key algorithm. Affine Cipher uses a symmetric key algorithm. In this paper, we introduce the Affine Cipher using asymmetric keys. Asymmetrical keys are formed from rectangular matrices.

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INTRODUCTION

Nowadays, cryptography becomes the main option for securing messaging or data over a communications network. In cryptography, the sender encrypts the message (plaintext) into ciphertext. Furthermore, the receiver describes ciphertext into plaintext. Encryption and decryption in cryptography require key algorithm. If the encryption and decryption use a similar key, the algorithm is called symmetric key algorithms. If the encryption and decryption use a different key, it is called asymmetric key algorithm. The asymmetric key algorithm is also known as modern cryptographic systems. One example of an asymmetric key algorithm is RSA [1,2,3,4].

Affine Cipher is one of the cryptographic algorithms that uses a symmetric key algorithm. It including substitution cipher type. In Affine Cipher [5,6], each plaintext encrypted as $C_i = (aP_i + b) \mod M$ and described as a $P_i = a^{-1}(C_i - b) \mod M$, with a and b are integers as private keys.

Based on the above facts, in this study, we will modify the Affine Cipher using asymmetric keys. We will generate a private key and a public key on Affine Cipher. Asymmetrical keys are formed from rectangular matrices.

METHODS

This research is a study of literature research. Some properties of asymmetric keys are obtained from [1,2,3,4]. Furthermore, the properties of Affine Cipher is derived from [5,6].

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Affine Cipher and Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys

In the Affine Cipher [5,6], applied encryption $C_i = (aP_i + b) \mod M$ and descriptions $P_i = a^{-1}(C_i - b) \mod M$, where *a* must be invertible on $\mod M$ and *b* is an arbitrary integer. The sender and receiver must save the private key *a* and *b* for encryption and description. In this study, we formed

$$C_{n\times 1}^{*} = (Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1} + B_{n\times 1}) \mod M$$

$$X_{1\times n}C_{n\times 1}^{*} = X_{1\times n}(Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1} + B_{n\times 1}) \mod M$$

$$X_{1\times n}C_{n\times 1}^{*} = (X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1} + X_{1\times n}B_{n\times 1}) \mod M$$

$$(X_{1\times n}C_{n\times 1}^{*} - X_{1\times n}B_{n\times 1}) \mod M = (X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1})$$

$$P_{1\times 1} = (X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1})^{-1}(X_{1\times n}C_{n\times 1}^{*} - X_{1\times n}B_{n\times 1}) \mod M \dots \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

If we suppose $X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1} = a$, $X_{1\times n}C_{n\times 1}^* = C$ and $X_{1\times n}B_{n\times 1} = b$, we have the similar decryption as Affine Cipher. Next, we get encryption $C_{n\times 1}^* = (Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1} + B_{n\times 1}) \mod M$, with the public key $(Y_{n\times 1}, B_{n\times 1})$ and description $P_{1\times 1} = (X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1})^{-1}(X_{1\times n}C_{n\times 1}^* - X_{1\times n}B_{n\times 1}) \mod M$, with the private key $(X_{1\times n})$. Furthermore, encryption and description above, we call as Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys.

Key Generating Algorithm on Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys

Steps to generate of keys algorithm:

- Choose $X_{1 \times n}$.
- Choose $Y_{n\times 1}$.
- Calculate $X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1}$. If the matrix $X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1}$ has no inverse over $\operatorname{mod} M$, we repeat steps 1) and 2). If matrix $(X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1})^{-1}$ exists on $\operatorname{mod} M$, we have one of a public key $Y_{n\times 1}$ and private key $X_{1\times n}$.
- Choose an arbitrary matrix $B_{n\times 1}$.

So, we get the public key $(Y_{n\times 1}, B_{n\times 1})$ and a private key $(X_{1\times n})$.

Security Analysis on Affine Cipher and Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys

On Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Key, apply encryption $C_{n\times 1}^* = (Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1} + B_{n\times 1}) \mod M$, with the public key $(Y_{n\times 1}, B_{n\times 1})$. If the sender sent the message, the attacker (unauthorized recipients) will get a public key $(Y_{n\times 1}, B_{n\times 1})$ and ciphertext $C_{n\times 1}^*$. However, the attacker would be difficult to describe the ciphertext, because the matrix $(Y_{n\times 1})^{-1}$ does not exist.

$$C_{n\times 1}^{*} = (Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1} + B_{n\times 1}) \mod M$$
$$(C_{n\times 1}^{*} - B_{n\times 1}) \mod M = (Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1})$$
$$P_{1\times 1} = (Y_{n\times 1})^{-1} (C_{n\times 1}^{*} - B_{n\times 1}) \mod M \dots (2)$$

It means that the plaintext remains safe. Furthermore, we show a comparison Affine Cipher and Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys.

| Affine Cipher | Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Symmetric key. | Asymmetric keys. |
| • The key is an integer. | • The key is matrix pair. |
| • Elements on the plaintext and | • Elements on the plaintext and |
| ciphertext one-to-one | ciphertext do not one-to-one |
| correspondence (bijective | correspondence (it is not bijective |
| function). | function). |

Example

Nisca will send a message to Max. Max generate the public key and private key. **Key generating algorithm:**

• Max chooses
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
.
• He chooses $Y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$.
• He calculates $XY = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 9$. Note that $9^{-1} \mod 26 = 3$.
• He chooses an arbitrary matrix $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$.
• Max gets the public key $\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and private key $(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix})$.

Encryption:

Niska received a public key $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ from Max. She will send "**USE**" to Max. She

converts **"USE"** to 21-19-5. She encrypts $C_{n\times 1}^* = (Y_{n\times 1}P_{1\times 1} + B_{n\times 1}) \mod M$. She gets

$$C_{1}^{*} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 21 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1\\5 \end{bmatrix} \right) \mod 26 = \begin{bmatrix} 13\\22\\11 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$C_{2}^{*} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 19 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1\\5 \end{bmatrix} \right) \mod 26 = \begin{bmatrix} 7\\20\\3 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$C_{3}^{*} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3\\1\\4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1\\5 \end{bmatrix} \right) \mod 26 = \begin{bmatrix} 17\\6\\25 \end{bmatrix}$$

Niska gets 13-22-11-7-20-3-17-6-25. She converts and sends **"MVKGTCQFY"** to Max.

Description: Max received "MVKGTCQFY" from Nisca. He converts 13-22-11-7-20-3-17-6-25. Max

knows the public key $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and saves the private key $(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix})$. He describes $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \end{bmatrix}$

 $P_{1\times 1} = (X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1})^{-1} (X_{1\times n}C_{n\times 1}^* - X_{1\times n}B_{n\times 1}) \mod M. \text{ He calculates } X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 9. \text{ He}$

gets $(X_{1\times n}Y_{n\times 1})^{-1} = 3$. Next, he gets

$$P_{1\times 1} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 22 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \mod 26 = 21$$
$$P_{1\times 1} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 20 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \mod 26 = 19$$
$$P_{1\times 1} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 17 \\ 6 \\ 25 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \mod 26 = 5$$

Max gets 21-19-5. He converts "USE".

CONCLUSION

From this study, we obtained several conclusions, including:

- We can form Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys.
- Affine Cipher Using Asymmetric Keys more secure than Affine Cipher.

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