

To Achieve Higher Security in Automatic Variable Key Technique towards Optimum Data Transfer with Noise Burst in Cryptosystem

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Abstract- In this manuscript, we have proposed new key generation techniques with noise burst based on established variable key generation techniques. To verify the true randomness of the proposed techniques, we have tested the randomness of successive generated keys by using National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) statistical tool and tested with the standard algorithm RC4 and proved that the generated keys are truly random. The proposed techniques provide maximum level of security as compared to those related existing techniques as the newly generated keys are more random. Due to the enhanced randomness, it can be stated that proposed techniques provide more security in real time applications.

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I. INTRODUCTION

For the revolution of network, information is now distributed over a distance. Keeping this in mind, higher security of shared information can be assured if the encryption can be made by random secret keys. The practical approach Automatic Variable Key (AVK) of better security was invented by Bhunia [6-7] in the year 2006. There are many other researchers namely, Goswami [9-11], Banerjee and Dutta et.al. [8] have proposed a few more secure techniques based on the working principle of Automatic Variable Key (AVK) in terms of randomness, root mean square and standard deviation. The idea behind AVK technique can be stated as:

Let us assume, K_0 be the initial key which will be exchanged between sender and receiver in a secret mode. Subsequent keys for the data D_i to be sent will be automatically generated by $K_i = K_{i-1} \oplus D_{i-1}$

The following are the algorithms based on the principle of AVK and have been used while proposing our algorithms in this manuscript.

In case of Key Variation with Matrix (KVM) [22] the subsequent keys are generated based on the following algorithms:

Key Generate (Initial key, n, m)
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for i = 1 to m
   $K_{11} \leftarrow$  CLS (Initial Key, i)
  for j= 1 to n do
    for k=1 to n do
      if (j==1 && k==1) then
        continue
      else if (k==1) then
         $K_{j,k} \leftarrow$ CLS ( $K_{j-1,n-1}, 1$ ) $\oplus D_{j-1,n-1}$ 
      else
         $K_{j,k} \leftarrow$  CLS ( $K_{j,k-1}, 1$ ) $\oplus D_{j,k-1}$ 
    }
}
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Where n= number of keys in square matrix and m= number of data blocks.

In case of Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key (LSAVK) [21], the following subsequent keys have been generated based on the following algorithms:

Subsequent key K_i (i^{th} stage) is generated by both sender and receiver as follows:

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 $K'_1 \leftarrow K_0 \oplus D_0$ 
 $K_1 \leftarrow$  CLS( $K'_1$ )
 $K'_2 \leftarrow K_1 \oplus D_1$ 
 $K_2 \leftarrow$  CLS( $K'_2$ )
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Where K_0 = Initial key and D_0 = First data set

Where CLS (K'_i) is circular left shift of K'_i by n bits and continue this procedure until dataset $\neq \emptyset$.

We have compared our proposed techniques namely, Key Variation with Matrix with noise burst (KVM with NB) and Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key with noise burst (LSAVK with NB) with existing techniques Key Variation with Matrix without noise burst (KVM without NB) and Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key without noise burst (LSAVK without NB) and found that the proposed techniques are more secure than the established ones.

II. PROPOSED SCHEME

The main purpose of our research is to enhance the security features by increasing the randomness between two successive keys.

Working principle of the proposed techniques can be stated as:

- Noise burst and initial key (K_0) will be exchanged between the communicating parties.
- Bits of noise burst will be read from left to right and reading of noise burst bit will be continued until the end of all bits of the noise burst.

Example 1: Key Variation with Matrix with noise burst (KVM with NB)

In this example, initial key $K_0 = 011110001010010000111100100110100101010101000111011010100111100110111100010100101001111000100011000110011100110100001010010110$ and noise burst = $10101010010101010100110101011011010010101011101100110101101110100111101010001011101001101101011101010011100010010101001$ with the following dataset

“The naive approach is to announce public keys publicly, Bob can put his public key on his website or announce it in a local or national newspaper, when alice needs to send a confidential message to Bob, she can obtain Bob's public key from his site or from the newspaper, or she can even send a message to ask for it”.

Then the subsequent keys will be generated as per Key Variation with Matrix (KVM) as follows:

1st bit of noise burst is 1, so the next key will be generated as per KVM technique (equation number (1)).

$K_1 = 10010000010010000111100010011010010101010001110110101001111001101110001010010011110001000110001100111001101000010100101100$

2nd bit of noise burst is 0 so the new key will be:

$K_2 = 10010000010010000111100010011010010101010001110110101001111001101110001000110001100111001101000010100101100$ and procedure is continued until noise burst $\neq \emptyset$.

Example 2: Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key with noise burst (LSAVK with NB)

Here, we have considered initial key $K_0 = 011110001010010001111000100110100101010100011101101010011110011001110001001101001010101000111011010100111100110110001010010110$ and data $D_0 = 0101010001101000011001010000011011100110000101101001011101100110010100100000110000101100000111000001110010011011101100001$ with noise burst = $1010101001010101010011010101101101101101001111010110100101010101110110011010110110100111100010010101001$

Then the subsequent keys will be generated as per Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key (LSAVK) technique as per equation number (2-7):

1st bit of noise burst is 1, so the next key will be generated as follows:

$K_1 = 1010010100100000000111011011101000111011001001110000001100001111101100101110010111111101010011011010011011110110101001100$ and procedure is continued until noise burst $\neq \emptyset$.

Example 3: Explanation of existing Key Variation with Matrix without noise burst (KVM without NB), Left Shifting

Automatic Variable Key without noise burst (LSAVK without NB)

Let us assume that sender sends initial key $K_0 = 01111000101001000011110001001101001010101010001110110101001110011011100010100101001111000100011000110011100110100001010010110$ with data $D_0 = 01010100011010000110101001000000110111001100001011010010111011001100101001000001100001011100000111000001110010011011101100001$. The new key will be as per Key Variation with Matrix (KVM) technique:

$K_1 = 10010000000111000001000011111110111010100101001000010110001000011001010001101110111110010000100110100110111010111011101000011$

In case of Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key (LSAVK) technique, the key will be generated as follows:

$K_1 = 10000110110000100101111001110011101010011110101100101010110010100001101101010110010000010010111001110011101010011110101100101$

$K_2 = 0101100111101101001001110100100101100001001011011010011000100101101101001100010100110001000010110011110110001000$

III. PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

For performance analysis of the proposed techniques, we have assumed initial key as $K_0 = 01111000101001000011100010011010010101010100011101101010011110011011100010100101001111000100011000110011100110100001010010110$ and noise burst = $1010101001010101001101010101101101001010101011101100110101101110100111101011000101111010011010111010100111000100101001$ with following dataset

Dataset = "The naive approach is to announce public keys publicly, Bob can put his public key on his website or announce it in a local or national newspaper, when alice needs to send a confidential message to Bob, she can obtain Bob's public key from his site or from the newspaper, or she can even send a message to ask for it”.

We have calculated the standard deviation, randomness and average randomness by using same initial key with noise burst and data set pairs which have been depicted from Figure 1 to 3. For analysis, we have assumed randomness which is a parameter. Randomness is a measure of amount of variation occurred between two successive keys. For example if $K_i = 10101011111011$ and $K_{i+1} = 00111010101100$ then the randomness between K_i and K_{i+1} is 7. When we apply noise burst to the existing algorithms, more productive and superior results are obtained.

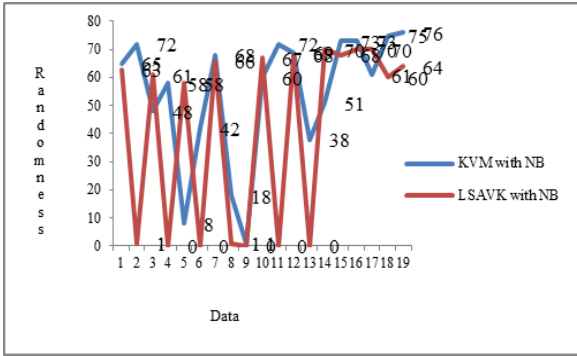


Figure 1: Randomness of keys of KVM with NB, LSAVK with NB

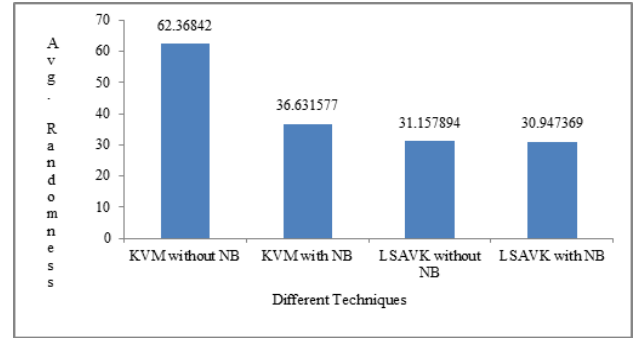


Figure 4: Comparison of Average Randomness of KVM without NB, KVM with NB, LSAVK without NB and LSAVK with NB

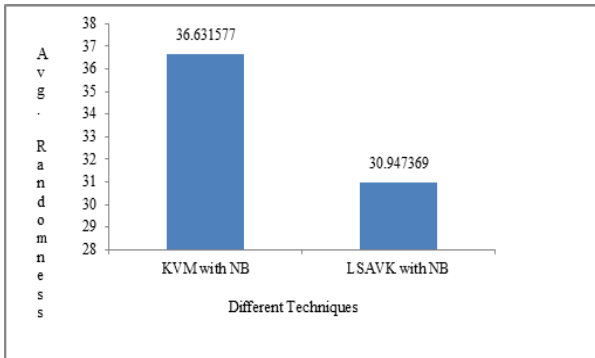


Figure 2: Average Randomness of KVM with NB, LSAVK with NB

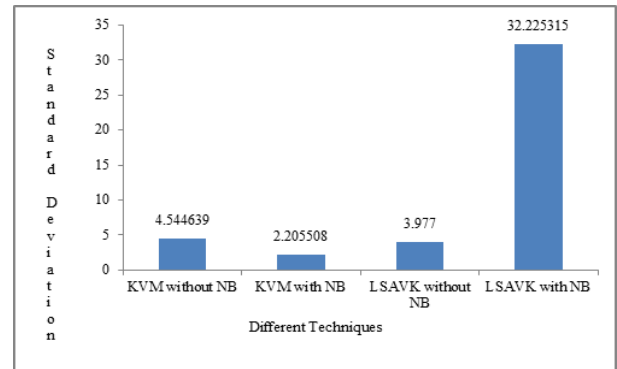


Figure 5: Comparison of Standard Deviation of KVM without NB, KVM with NB, LSAVK without NB and LSAVK with NB

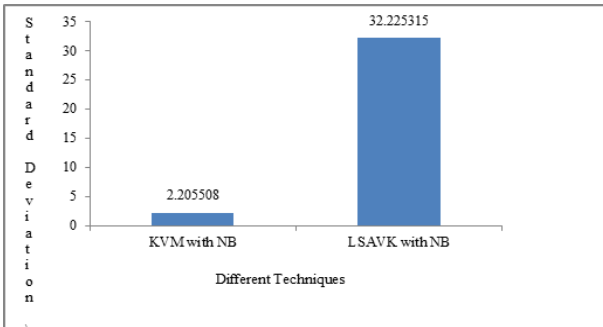


Figure 3: Standard Deviation of KVM with NB, LSAVK with NB

IV. COMPARISON

In this section, we have compared the standard deviation and average randomness of Key Variation with Matrix with noise burst (KVM with NB), Key Variation with Matrix without noise burst (KVM without NB), Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key with noise burst (LSAVK with NB), Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key without noise burst (LSAVK without NB). The comparison among the schemes has been depicted in Figure 4 and 5 in terms of average randomness and standard deviation respectively.

The following observations may be drawn by analyzing the graph of standard deviation & average randomness. From Figure 4, we have found that the average randomness of Key Variation with Matrix with noise burst (KVM with NB) is the maximum than other techniques used for comparison. However, standard deviation of Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key with noise burst (LSAVK with NB) is the highest in Figure 5. Therefore, from the experiments, we have found that the superiority of different techniques may vary from one session to another session.

Here we have also compared these proposed techniques with the standard cryptographic algorithm with RC₄ with the same initial key with same dataset and with similar noise burst and the graphs have been depicted in figure 6 and 7.

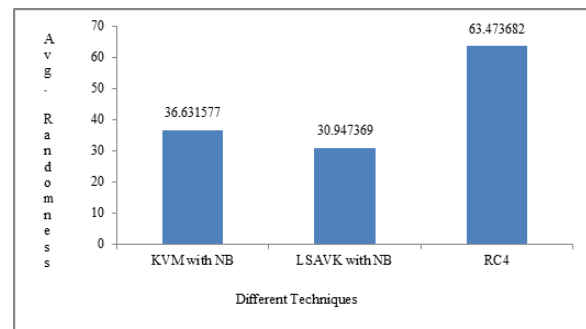


Figure 6: Comparison of Average Randomness of Proposed Techniques (KVM with NB, LSAVK with NB) with RC₄

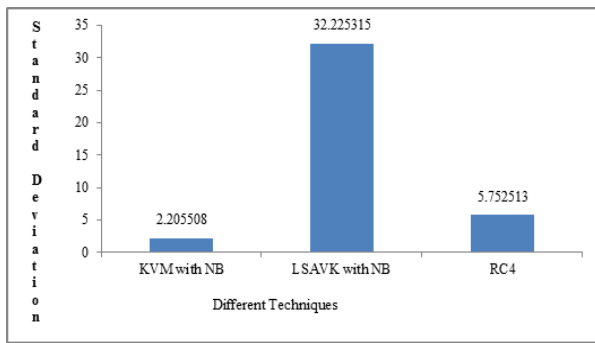


Figure 7: Comparison of Standard Deviation of Proposed Techniques KVM with NB, LSAVK with NB with RC₄

V. RANDOMNESS VERIFICATION

Verification of the randomness among the successive keys, generated by all the experiments defined in the previous section, has been done with the help of National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) test suite. NIST test suite is a statistical package containing 15 tests to determine whether a random key generator is suitable for a particular cryptographic application or not. We have examined the randomness of our successive keys based on the following 4 different statistical tests only.

- i) Frequency Test
- ii) Block Frequency Test
- iii) Cumulative Tests
- iv) Runs Test

Each test is based on a calculated test statistic value, which is a function of data. If the test statistic value is S and the critical value is t , then the error probability is $P(S > t \mid H_0 \text{ is true}) = P(\text{reject } H_0 \mid H_0 \text{ is true})$. Another type of error probability is $P(S \leq t \mid H_0 \text{ is false}) = P(\text{accept } H_0 \mid H_0 \text{ is false})$, here $H_0 =$ null hypothesis. The test statistic is used to calculate a p-value that summarizes the strength of the evidence against the null hypothesis. For these tests, each p-value is the probability that a perfect random number generator would have produced a sequence less random than the sequence that was tested, given the kind of non-randomness assessed by the test. If a p-value for a test is equal to 1, then the sequence appears to be perfectly random whereas p-value of zero indicates that the sequence appears to be completely non-random. If the p-value is < 0.01 then it can be inferred that the sequence is non-random otherwise, the sequence is random. The p-values of our experiments have been summarized in Table I:

Table I: Statistical test results of KVM with NB and LSAVK with NB

Techniques	Test	p-value	Remarks
	Frequency Test (FT)	0.290478	Random
	Block frequency	0.290478	Random

KVM with NB	Test (BFT)		
	Cumulative Sum(Forward) (CSF)	0.052938	Random
	Cumulative Sums(Backward) (CSB)	0.037956	Random
	Runs Test (RT)	0.086848	Random
LSAVK with NB	Frequency Test (FT)	0.495779	Random
	Block frequency Test (BFT)	0.495779	Random
	Cumulative Sum(Forward) (CSF)	0.537254	Random
	Cumulative Sums(Backward) (CSB)	0.339879	Random
	Runs Test (RT)	0.129346	Random

VI. CONCLUSION

In this manuscript, after analyzing the experiments, it is found that when we use standard deviation as parameter for comparison then Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key with noise burst (LSAVK with NB) for same dataset is superior to other compared techniques. If we consider average randomness for comparison, Key Variation with Matrix with noise burst (KVM with NB) is superior to other compared techniques. When we have compared these proposed techniques with algorithm RC₄ then we have seen that the technique Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key with noise burst (LSAVK with NB) is more superior in case of standard deviation. The superior results of Key Variation with Matrix with noise burst (KVM with NB), Left Shifting Automatic Variable Key with noise burst (LSAVK with NB) suggest that the new techniques can be applied with standard cryptographic algorithms for encryption and decryption there by increasing the level of security of real time applications.

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