

On cryptographic properties of the CVV and PVV parameters generation procedures in payment systems

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- Technical Committee for Standardization TC 26 «Cryptography and security mechanisms».
- Subcommittee 3 (SC 3 TC 26) «Cryptographic algorithms and mechanisms for the national payment system of Russian Federation».
- Work in progress from 2016.

Main objective

To define how to apply Russian cryptographic algorithms in all segments of the payment system in conformance with the Russian requirements for cryptographic data protection.

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To obtain a set of protocols using Russian algorithms, sufficient to provide complete data protection in the payment system.

Sufficiency of the set of TC 26 documents

- The payment systems use a wide range of basic and additional cryptographic algorithms.
- Before 2016 payment systems were completely out of scope of TC 26, all document development plans were prepared without taking them into account.
- The existing (in 2016) set of algorithms and protocols in TC 26 had been created without specific thoughts about the payment systems.

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The objective: to obtain a set of security proofs in a provable security paradigm.

Requirements for the security analysis process

- The security analysis must have been conducted in adversary models relevant to the current practice of the usage of developed protocols — there were a lot of consultations with NSPK (I.M. Goldovsky).
- Modifications of the constructions to obtain end mechanisms with complete security proofs.
- The choice of all parameters in a way that the end security bounds would not contradict existing requirements for cryptographic protection.



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CVV

The CVV (Card Verification Value) value is used for the control of card attributes (card number, expiration date, service code). CVV is stored at a card and is sent to an issuing bank during a transaction.

PVV

The PVV (PIN Verification Value) value is used for the control of a card number and a PIN-code. PVV is either stored on a card or at issuing bank storage. If a PVV is stored at a card, it is sent to an issuing bank during a transaction.

Decimalization procedure

- $\mathbb{H} = \{0, 1, \dots, 9, A, B, \dots, F\}$ — hex-symbols
- $\mathbb{D} = \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$ — decimal symbols

The function of two-pass decimalization is the mapping of $\text{DEC}_{m,r}^2 : \mathbb{H}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{D}^r$, $m \geq r$, which gives the output on an input $X \in \mathbb{H}^m$ by the following algorithm. If in X there are r decimal symbols, then the string $\text{DEC}_{m,r}^2(X)$ is the concatenation of the first r of them (from left to right). If the total number s of decimal symbols is less than r , then the string of $\text{DEC}_{m,r}^2(X)$ is the concatenation of these s symbols and $r - s$ residues of dividing first hex-symbols of X by 10.

Example

$$\text{DEC}_{5,3}^2(0\|1\|C\|D\|E) = 0\|1\|(12 \bmod 10) = 0\|1\|2$$

Decimalization procedure: alternative

The function of modular decimalization is the mapping of $\text{DEC}_{m,r}^M : \mathbb{H}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{D}^r$, $m \geq r$, the output of which on the input of $X \in \mathbb{H}^m$ is equal to $\text{DEC}_{m,r}^M(X) = \text{INT}(X) \bmod 10^r$.

Example

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DEC}_{5,3}^M(0\|1\|C\|D\|E) &= 0x1CDE \bmod 10^3 = \\ &= 7390 \bmod 10^3 = 3\|9\|0 \end{aligned}$$

CVV

Input parameters

- PAN — Personal Account Number (usually, 12-16 decimal digits).
- ExpDate — Expiration Date (4 decimal digits in the form YYMM).
- SVC — Service Code (3 decimal digits, can take the only 6 values: 000, 999, 200, 201, 220, 221).
- CVK — key value for generating CVV (256 bits). CVK is stored and managed by an issuing bank.

Output

CVV — Card Verification Value (3 decimal digits).

Procedure of generating Card Verification Value

- 1 $B_1 = (\text{PAN}||0\dots0) - 64 \text{ bits};$
- 2 $B_2 = (\text{ExpDate}||\text{SVC}||0\dots0) - 64 \text{ bits};$
- 3 $C = E_{\text{CVK}}(E_{\text{CVK}}(B_1) \oplus B_2),$ where $E_{\text{CVK}}(\cdot) - \text{«Magma» cipher};$
- 4 $\text{CVV} = \begin{cases} \text{DEC}_{16,3}^2(C) & - \text{as in VISA payment system;} \\ \text{DEC}_{16,3}^M(C) & - \text{only for MIR payment system.} \end{cases}$

PVV

Input parameters

- PAN — Personal Account Number (usually, 12-16 decimal digits);
- PIN — Personal Identification Number (4 decimal digits, if PIN length greater than 4, then 4 left digits are used);
- PVKI — PIN Verification Key Indicator (decimal digit from 0 to 6);
- PVK — key value for generating PVV (256 bits). PVK is stored and managed by an issuing bank.

Output

PVV — PIN Verification Value (4 decimal digits).

Procedure of generating PIN Verification Value

- 1 TSP = (PAN_{|11}||PVKI||PIN), where PAN_{|11} — first 11 decimal digits of PAN.
- 2 C = E_{PVK}(TSP), where E_{PVK}(·) — «Magma» cipher.
- 3 PVV = $\begin{cases} \text{DEC}_{16,4}^2(C) & \text{— as in VISA payment system;} \\ \text{DEC}_{16,4}^M(C) & \text{— only for MIR payment system.} \end{cases}$

Distributions of decimalization functions

Distributions of $\text{DEC}_{m,r}^2$ for CVV and PVV cases

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Krzysztof Pietrzak

«The modern approach to cryptography is provable security, ...»
(Provable Security for Physical Cryptography, 2009)

Ivan Damgard

«We believe that the only reasonable approach is to construct cryptographic systems with the objective of being able to give security reductions for them.» (A "proof-reading" of some issues in cryptography, 2007)

«We should not settle for protocols just because we think they "look natural" and "seem to be secure".» (the same one article)

In the real world

We need to determine specific system parameters values which guarantee system to be secure in the adversary model.

TLS 1.3 draft-ietf-tls-tls13-20 (5.5. Limits on Key Usage)

«For AES-GCM, up to $2^{24.5}$ full-size records (about 24 million) may be encrypted on a given connection while keeping a safety margin of approximately 2^{-57} for Authenticated Encryption (AE) security.»

So what do we need?

We need to provide an analysis of system parameters limits under the assumption that the underlying primitives (Magma cipher in PRP-CPA) has no weaknesses.

CVV: adversary model

Adversary model: searching for the CVV value for a certain attacked card

The adversary knows the parameters of $q \leq 10^7$ cards that have been issued by the issuer using the same key CVK, i.e., q tuples $(PAN_1, ExpDate_1, SVC_1), \dots, (PAN_q, ExpDate_q, SVC_q)$ and corresponding correct values CVV_1, \dots, CVV_q are known; the key CVK is unknown.

Threat

The adversary finds the correct value CVV for a certain (attacked) card with known parameters $(PAN, ExpDate, SVC)$, for which the corresponding value CVV remained unknown.

The security proof for the CVV case

Theorem

For the payment system with $\text{DEC}_{16,3}^M$ the adversary success probability of finding a correct value CVV for a certain attacked card does not exceed:

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{FC}}^{\text{MAC-CPA}}(t, q) \leq 10^{-3} + \frac{t + 2q + 2qn}{2^k} + \frac{4q^2}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{2q}{10^{17}}$$



NSPK/MIR case

- E_k is «Magma» cipher, $n = 256$, $k = 64$;
- secure in the standard PRP-CPA model;
- adversary's resources correspond to the NSPK/MIR model.

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PVV: adversary models

Adversary model I: searching of the correct (PIN, PVV) pair for a certain attacked card

The adversary knows the parameters of $q \leq 10^7$ cards that have been issued by the issuer using the same key PVK, i.e., q tuples $(PAN_1, PVKI_1), \dots, (PAN_q, PVKI_q)$ and corresponding correct pairs $(PIN_1, PVV_1), \dots, (PIN_q, PVV_q)$ are known; the key PVK is unknown.

Threat

The adversary finds the correct pair (PIN, PVV) for the certain (attacked) card with known parameters (PAN, PVKI), for which such a pair remained unknown.



Adversary model II: searching of the correct PIN value for a certain attacked card with fixed unknown PVV

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Threat

The adversary finds the correct PIN value for the certain (attacked) card with known parameters $(PAN, PVKI)$ and fixed unknown value PVV.



Adversary model III: searching of the correct PIN value for a certain attacked card with known PVV value

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The adversary finds the correct PIN value for the certain (attacked) card with known parameters $(PAN, PVKI)$ and known value PVV.

The security proof for the PVV case 1

Theorem

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$$\text{Adv}_{\text{FP}}^{\text{MAC-CPA}}(t, q) \leq 10^{-4} + \frac{t + 2q + qn}{2^k} + \frac{q^2}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{2.3q}{10^{16}}$$



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The security proof for the PVV case 2

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$$\text{Adv}_{\text{FP}}^{\text{PR}}(t, q) \leq \frac{t + q + 2 + qn}{2^k} + \frac{(q + 2)^2}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{2.3(q + 2)}{10^{16}} + \frac{2}{10^4} - \frac{1}{10^8}$$

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Main results for CVV/PVV

- It is shown that for the usage of existing $DEC_{16,3}^2$ Visa procedure provable security methods yield degenerated estimations of the adversary success probability.
- The new decimalization procedure $DEC_{16,3}^M$ was proposed, the complete security analysis was conducted.
- The security bounds regarding the forgery threat were obtained — it is shown that an adversary's advantage is not more than negligible.

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Thank you for your attention!

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