SECURITY USING K₆ GRAPH

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ABSTRACT

Along with number theory, which is the fundamental source for cryptography, graph theory is currently a dominant academic subject. Graph theory has numerous applications in domains such as network security, coding theory, and the security of communication networks. In this paper, we use techniques of mathematical ideas and concepts of graphs and look at the principles of encryption and decryption. We have used MATLAB for calculations.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In this digital age, data transfer and security are concerns. Cryptography is required to provide confidentiality and authenticity in a variety of applications, including securely communicating. The method of hiding and rendering a message unreadable to all but a select group of communication partners known as legitimate users is described as cryptography. Historically, details of the idea of securing messages are given in [4].

As technology progressed, the area of cryptography had to develop unique security ideas to suit the demands of changing technologies. As a result, cryptographers increased the criterion for cryptographic protocols to include not only hiding messages but also authenticating their source and ensuring that they were not counterfeited in transit. This prompted cryptographers to develop a key exchange protocol that would function in tandem with the cryptographic algorithm [1]. Diffie and Martin [2, 3], discussed how the theories of communication and computation are beginning to provide the tools to solve cryptographic problems. The cryptographic algorithm's functional output was determined by keys, which described how an original message was changed into an encrypted message and vice versa. As a result, the secrecy of the key should ensure that cryptographic techniques are secure.

Discrete mathematics and modern encryption are inextricably linked. The development of various encryption schemes has been greatly aided by graph theory [5]. It is an example of a field that has been successfully merged in order to produce more powerful cryptography algorithms. Encryption makes heavy use of graph theory. The various researchers in different directions have given new methods of securing data using graph theory [6, 7, 8].

The relationship between cryptographic methods and graph theory is discussed in this work. We employ a selective encryption approach with a message-specific key using the complete graph K_6 .

2. PRELIMINARIES

We require the following definitions for our discussion.

- **2.1 Definition** A graph G = (V, E) consists V, a non empty set of vertices and E, a set of edges.
- **2.2 Definition** A graph in which each edge connects two different vertices and where no two edges connect the same pair of vertices is called a simple graph. Graphs that may have multiple edges connecting the same vertices are called multi graphs. Edges that connect a vertex to itself are called loops.

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- **2.3 Definition** A directed graph (or digraph) consists of a nonempty set of vertices V and a set of directed edge E. Each directed edge is associated with an ordered pair of vertices. The directed edge associated with the ordered pair (u,v) is said to start at u and end at v.
- **2.4 Definition** Two vertices u and v in an undirected graph G are called adjacent(or neighbors)in G if u and v are endpoints of an edge of G.
- **2.5 Definition** The complete graph on n vertices, denoted by k_n is the simple graph that contains exactly one edge between each pair of distinct vertices.
- **2.6 Definition** A Hamiltonian cycle (also called *Hamiltonian circuit*, *vertex tour* or *graph cycle*) is a cycle that visits each vertex exactly once (except for the starting vertex, which is visited once at the start and once again at the end).

The remaining part of this paper is devoted to a consideration of intractable problems arising from graph theory, with cryptography as the foundation. MatLab has been used for calculations.

3. MAIN RESULTS

To begin, we use graph edges to represent the given text or data. A data character is represented by each edge. Neighboring graph edges will now represent every neighboring character in the text.

For example, we'll encrypt the data we're delivering to the receiver on the other end, say G R A P H. By converting each letter as a graph edge, we can now convert this text into a Hamiltonian cycle.

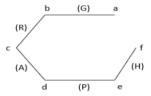


Figure-1

We also employ the encoding table which is widely utilised by most researchers, to label each edge. The labelled Graph is given in Fig.2

Table 1: Encoding table

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Character	A	В	C	D	-	-	-	-	1	W	X	Y	Z	
Code	1	2	3	4						23	24	25	26	
Character	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Space	,		
Code	7	8 2	9	3	3	3	3	3	3 5	3 6	37	3 8	9	

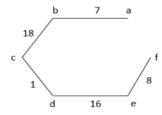


Figure-2

The adjacency matrix of the Hamiltonian cycle in Fig.2, denoted by M is

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d & e & f \\ a & 0 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 7 & 0 & 18 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 18 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 16 & 0 \\ e & 0 & 0 & 0 & 16 & 0 & 8 \\ f & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We now construct a Complete Graph K₆, and assign false labels to the remaining edges as can be seen in Fig. 3

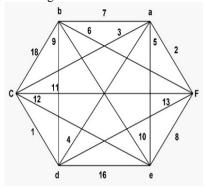


Figure-3

Let N be the adjacency matrix of the Complete graph K₆ in Fig.3

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d & e & f \\ 0 & 7 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 7 & 0 & 18 & 9 & 10 & 6 \\ 3 & 18 & 0 & 1 & 12 & 11 \\ 4 & 9 & 1 & 0 & 16 & 13 \\ 5 & 10 & 12 & 16 & 0 & 8 \\ f & 2 & 6 & 11 & 13 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We also choose a Lower triangular Key Matrix, $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Let P = M*N, and the result using MATLAB is shown in below image.

We then calculate Q = P*X and the result is posted below.

```
Q = P*X
 Q = 6×6
                    301
                              301
                                       175
                                                 112
                                                            42
                              530
                                        509
                                                  463
                                                            212
                                        479
                                                 317
                              600
                                        408
                                                  151
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The encrypted data is being sent to the recipient as row-wise in the following way.

 $350\ 301\ 301\ 175\ 112\ 42\ 957\ 903\ 530\ 509\ 463\ 212\ 943\ 813\ 804\ 479\ 317\ 121\ 861\ 778\ 600\ 408\ 151\ 139\ 861\ 778\ 600\ 408\ 151\ 139\ 1008\ 928\ 736\ 632\ 528\ 208\ 408\ 368\ 288\ 192\ 64\ 64\ 0\ 7\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 2\ 7\ 0\ 18\ 9\ 10\ 6\ 3\ 18\ 0\ 1\ 12\ 11\ 4\ 9\ 1\ 0\ 16\ 13\ 5\ 10\ 12\ 16\ 0\ 8\ 2\ 6\ 11\ 13\ 8\ 0$

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Decryption Process:

The matrix Q and N are received. We now calculate $Z = X^{-1}$

and then find Q*Z, which will yield $(P*X)*X^{-1} = P(=Y)$

The calculation of Q*Z is posted below and it is easily seen that we get Q*Z = Y

From the data N received we calculate $S = N^{-1}$ and when we multiply P * S, it must yield $P * S = (M * N) * N^{-1} = M$

```
S = inv(N)
     -0.9753
             -0.0013
                      0.3568
                             -0.1250 -0.0426
                                               0.3261
      -0.0013 0.0156
                     0.1101 -0.0913 -0.0144
                                              -0.0012
      0.3568
             0.1101 -0.0463
                              -0.0605
                                      -0.0099
                                              -0.1703
     -0.1250 -0.0913 -0.0605
                              0.0812 0.0509
                                               0.1206
      0.3261 -0.0012 -0.1703
                              0.1206
                                      0.0826
M = P*S
      0.0000 7.0000 -0.0000
                              0.0000
      7.0000 -0.0000 18.0000 0.0000
                                              0.0000
                                     0.0000
      0.0000 18.0000 -0.0000 1.0000
                                     0.0000 -0.0000
      0,0000 0,0000 1,0000 0,0000 16,0000
                                             -0.0000
      0.0000 0.0000
                      0.0000
                              0.0000
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After decryption process, we have got M, where

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 0 & 18 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 18 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 16 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 16 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and from which we can get a Hamiltonian cycle.

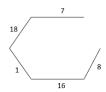


Figure-4: Decrypted Graph

which gives us the data 7, 18, 1, 16, 8 after which we use Encoding Table 1 and get 7 = G, 18 = R, 1 = A, 16 = P, 8 = H. and therefore decrypted data is GRAPH.

4. CONCLUSION

we have adapted a graph theory approach in which Hamiltonian cycle was used first and then converted it to Complete graph and using adjacency matrix the data is made more secure and not easy for interrupting data in transit. In this way we could make more secure data during transmission. Though there is a matrix key used, unless the graph is known in the end, the data cannot be decrypted, making it more secure way of transmitting the text.

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