

Unlocking the unknowns, Cryptography essentials for Java devs

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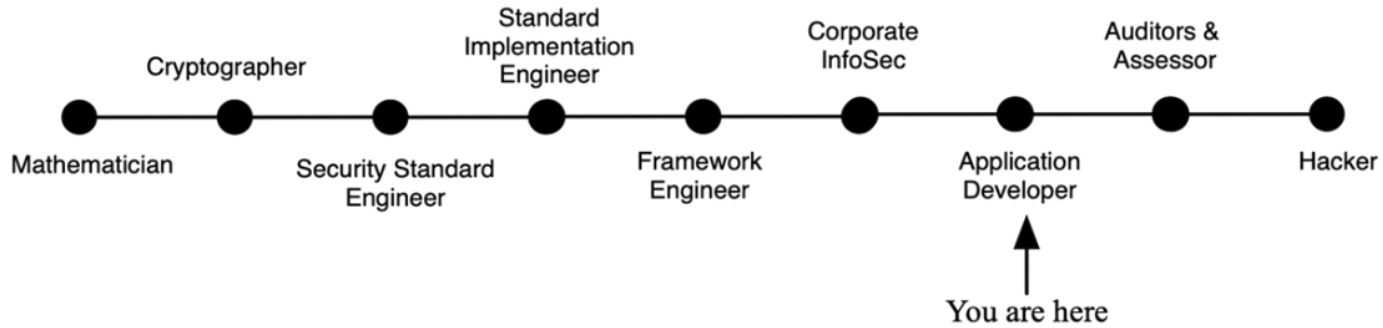
With examples in Java and Spring



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Integrity

Authentication

Confidentiality

Non-repudiation



Use Case 1

Acme Inc. needs to implement a ZIP file transfer capability between two services. Developers must ensure that **faulty transfers are detected and excluded** to prevent the application from processing incorrect files.

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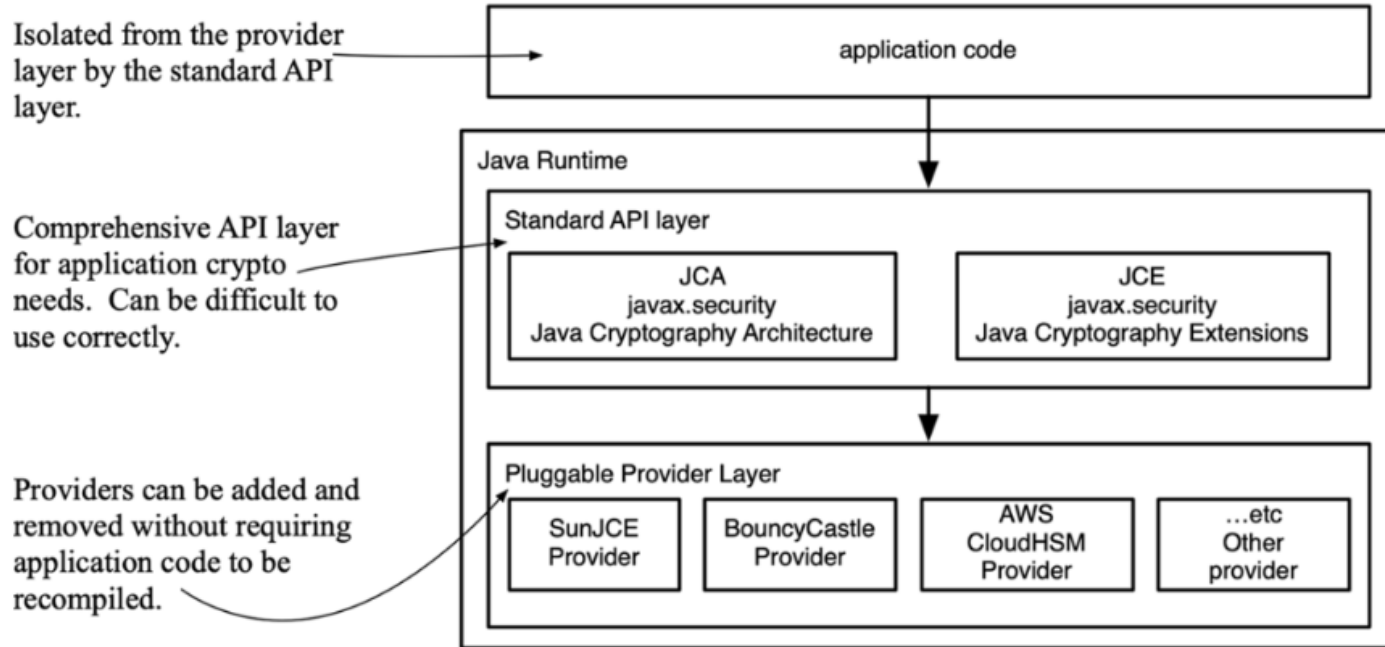


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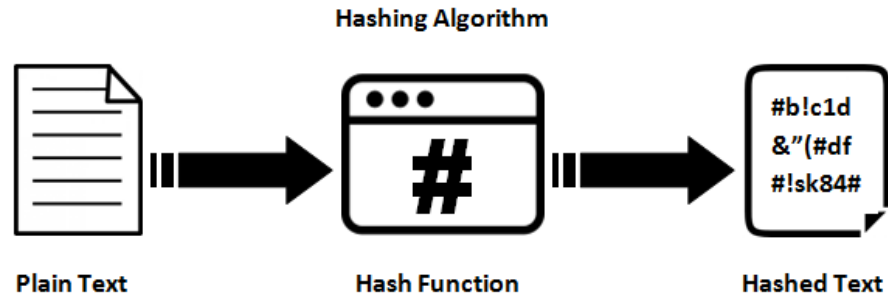
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Security providers



Hash function digests



Source: [[MessageHashing.java](#)]



Use Case 2

Acme Inc. needs to store employee passwords in hashed form in databases to ensure they cannot be viewed in plain text. This approach will enhance security by protecting passwords from unauthorized access and ensuring that even if the database is compromised, the actual passwords remain secure.

Source: [[PasswordHashing.java](#)]



Use Case 3

Acme Inc. needs to implement a ZIP file transfer capability between two services. Developers must ensure that **faulty transfers are detected and excluded, maintaining data integrity** throughout the process. Although the data is not confidential, preserving its accuracy and completeness is essential.

Integrity

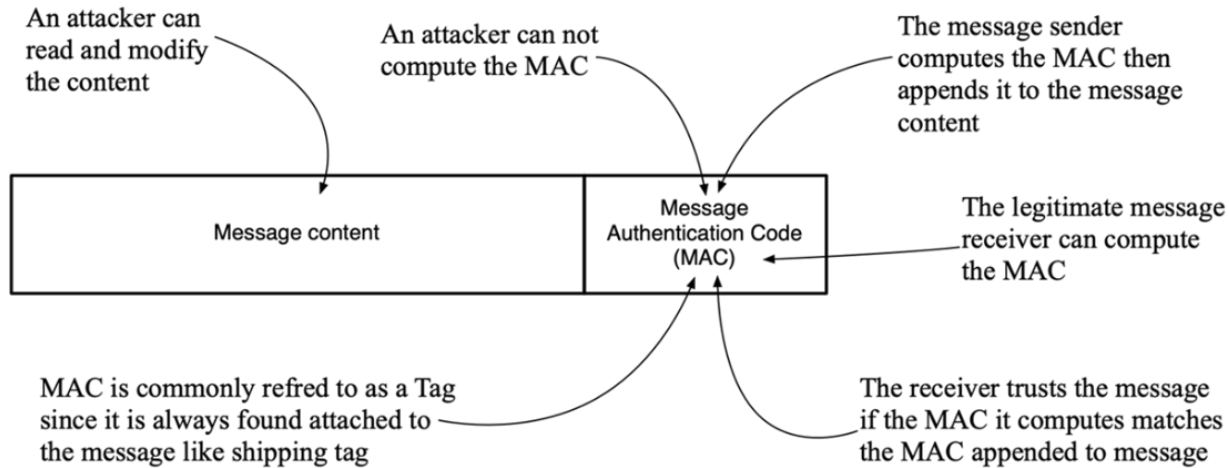
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Message Authentication Code (MAC)



Source: [[HmacMessageAuthenticator.java](#)]



Goal	SHA-2	SHA-3	HMAC
Integrity	✓	✓	✓
Authentication	✗	✗	✓
Confidentiality	✗	✗	✗
Non-repudiation	✗	✗	✗

Use Case 4

Acme Inc. needs to implement a ZIP file transfer capability between two services. Developers must ensure that the **data remains confidential and cannot be accessed by unauthorized parties during transit or at rest**. Additionally, **faulty transfers should be detected and excluded to maintain data integrity**.

Integrity

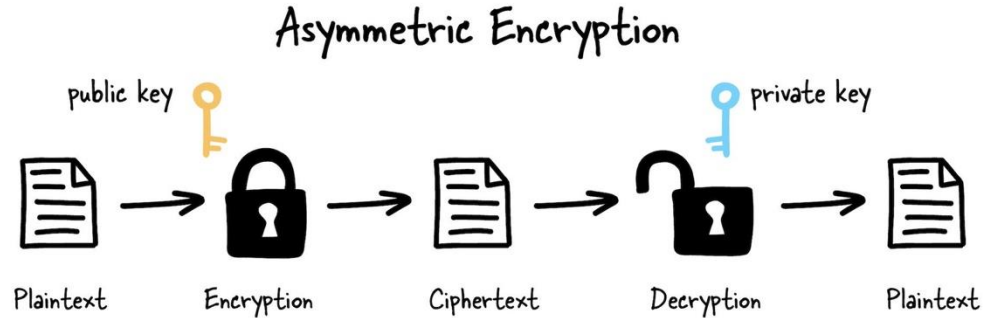
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Asymmetric Key Encryption



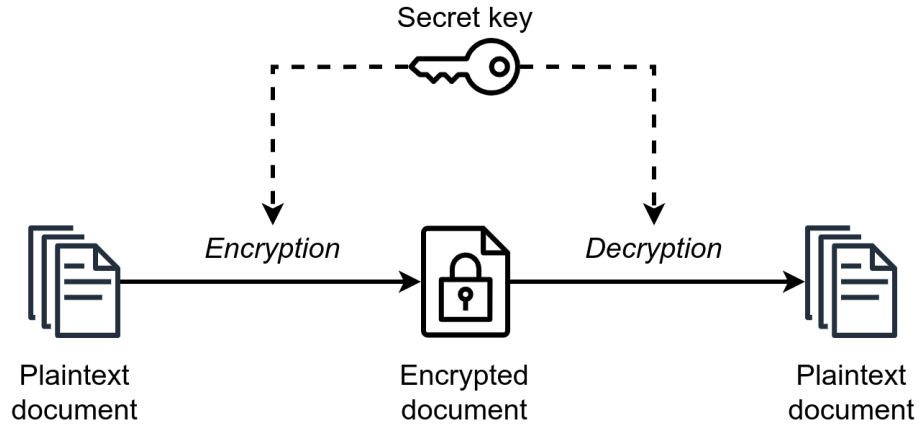
RSA (Rivest-Shamir-Adleman): Widely used for secure data transmission, RSA is notable for its use in digital signatures and secure key exchange.

ECC (Elliptic Curve Cryptography): Offers higher security with smaller key sizes compared to RSA, making it efficient for mobile devices and smart cards.




DSA (Digital Signature Algorithm): Primarily used for digital signatures, ensuring the authenticity and integrity of a message.

Diffie-Hellman: A method for secure key exchange, allowing two parties to establish a shared secret over an insecure channel.




Symmetric Key Encryption



Use symmetric key encryption for:

-  Encrypting files
-  Encrypting databases
-  Encrypting disk partitions

Use asymmetric key encryption for:

-  Key exchange
-  Digital signatures
-  Digital certificates

Source: [[MessageEncryptDecrypt.java](#)]



Sources:

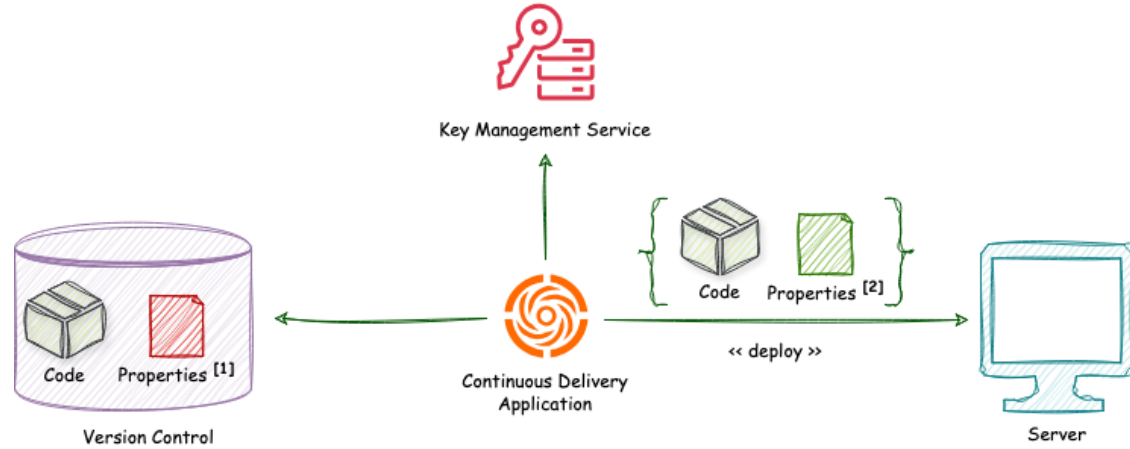
[[FileEncryption.java](#)]

[[FileDecryption.java](#)]



Use Case 5

Acme Inc. needs to ensure the secure management of sensitive information to mitigate critical security risks. Developers must **avoid storing secrets unencrypted or in plain text within the source code**. Instead, they should utilize secrets management services and environment variables to protect sensitive data effectively.



Legend:

- [1] - Key-value property file containing encrypted sensitive values.
- [2] - Key-value property file containing decrypted sensitive values.

Source: [<https://ionutbalosin.com/2025/03/core-application-security-for-java-developers>]

Source: [[application.properties](#)]



Symmetric Key Encryption

AES/CBC/PKCS5Padding

AES/CFB/NoPadding

AES/OFB/NoPadding

AES/GCM/NoPadding

AES/CTR/NoPadding



Goal	SHA-2	SHA-3	HMAC	AES/CBC
Integrity	✓	✓	✓	✗
Authentication	✗	✗	✓	✗
Confidentiality	✗	✗	✗	✓
Non-repudiation	✗	✗	✗	✗

Use Case 6

Acme Inc. needs to implement a ZIP file transfer capability between two services. Developers must ensure that **each transfer is verifiable, preventing senders from denying their actions.** Additionally, **faulty transfers should be excluded to maintain data integrity and reliability.**

Integrity

Authentication

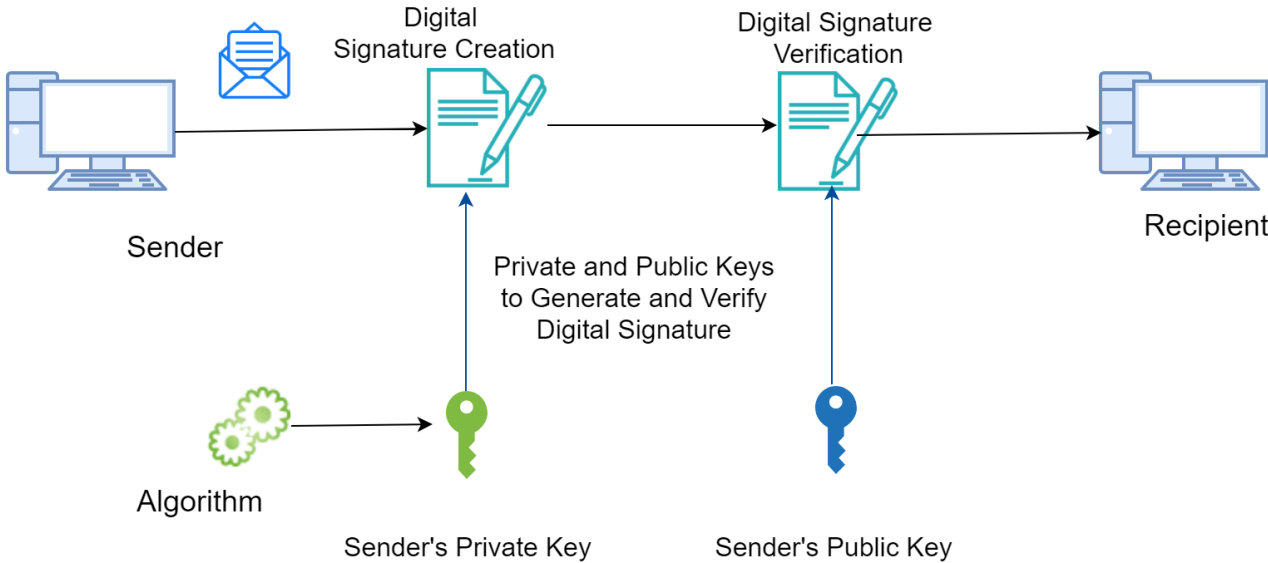
Confidentiality

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Generating and Verifying Signatures

Digital Signatures



Source: [[DigitalSignatureVerifier.java](#)]



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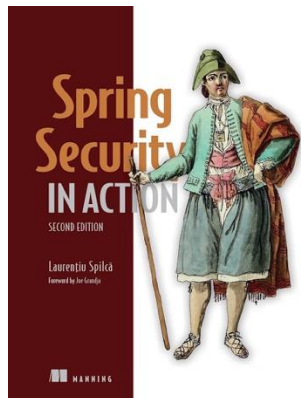
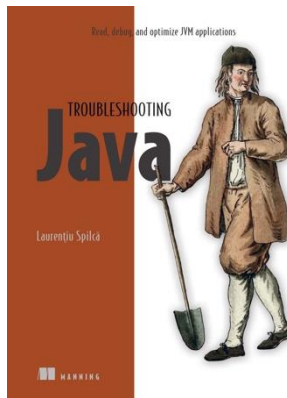
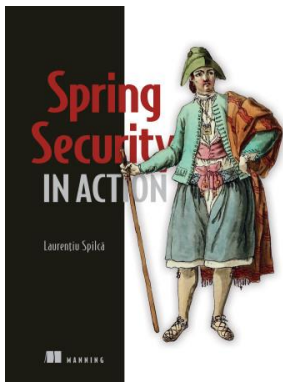
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