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ABSTRACT

The high technology of hand phones today makes people prefer to use their mobile phone than computer to passes their sensitive information through internet. Without they realize, these technology can bring their confidential or private information being attack from unauthorized party and lead to information leakage. These unauthorized party that mention here is Man in The Middle Attack (MiTM). Man in The Middle Attack (MiTM) can manipulate and give false information to the sender. This problem can cause a big impact to the businessman when they do trading transaction. To solve the problem, a steganography tool is developed to help to hide the secret message before being sent through the internet. This project focuses on steganography and cryptography. This application uses two levels of securities that make the information more secure and bring difficult to unauthorized party get the information. The cryptography will use the DES algorithm to hide the message before hiding the information into an image by using steganography. DES algorithm uses public-key system means the algorithm for encrypting and decrypting a message is public know. This application will run on the android platform. This project aims to successfully encrypt and decrypt the message to protect the message from unauthorized person.

CHAPTER 1

1.1 BACKGROUND OF STUDY

Cryptography is defined as the study and practice of information security in hiding information. The word is originated from a Greek word kryptos means hidden. Cryptography is closely linked to the scope of cryptanalysis and cryptology. Cryptography is from the experts of both mathematics and computer science. In today's computer world, cryptography is well known with scrambling plaintext (ordinary text, sometimes referred to as clear text) into cipher text (a process called encryption), then back again (known as decryption). People who are experts in this field are known as cryptographers. It is an important technology for security and it has been used in computer password, e-commerce and ATM cards.

1.2 PROBLEM STATEMENT

The increasing technology of mobile phone makes people prefer to use their mobile phone than computer to passes their confidential information through internet. Without realizing, this technology can bring their confidential or private information being steal from unauthorized person and lead to information leak. These unauthorized person that been mention here is Man in The Middle Attack (MiTM). Man in The Middle Attack (MiTM) can manipulate and give incorrect information to the sender in order to cheat them. This problem can cause big problem for businessman when they do trading operation online.

These information can be protected by using the mobile application that been develops in this project. The two layers of securities that implement in this mobile application make the information more difficult for unauthorized person to steal the information and make the information more secure.