

Implementation of Authenticated Group Key Management Scheme for Wireless Sensor Networks



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Abstract: The group key management technique is an important technique for cryptographic applications. In this paper, we implemented our proposed method [1] on a group key management protocol for group communication. The proposed protocol is authenticated group key distribution protocol is a mechanism for distributing a group key. We also discussed security analysis and attacks in active and passive adversary model. Also, it ensures semantic security as well as Key freshness of the group key. Along with this, they provide implicit and mutual authentication of the group key. Furthermore, the protocols provide key independence, provide Perfect Forward Secrecy and are resistant to Known Key Attack Implementation of proposed protocol in NS2 simulator.

Keywords: Key Management, Group Key Management, Digital Short Signatures, Authentication, Wireless sensor networks.

I. INTRODUCTION

Key management [1,2] is an important cryptographic technique for sharing of either group secret key among parties or secret key between two parties. Many Key management techniques [2,5] have proposed for pairwise and group key management using several settings. As a result, the proposed key management protocol should not only support the creation of paired keys, but also cluster and group keys. A group key is a shared secret shared by all members of the same group, and it's mostly used to secure locally broadcast messages. A group key is a globally shared common key that the base station uses to encrypt communications sent throughout the whole network. The Group Key Management scheme [2,3,4] can be utilised in revocation encryption schemes, group encryptions, and threshold encryption schemes for security group communication. The group key security protocol should address issues such as group key production and regularity of group key updates. These important management strategies for groups can be classified into three categories: There are three types of group key agreement protocols: (i) centralised group key agreement protocols (CGKAP), (ii) decentralised group key

management protocols with relaying (DeGKMP), and (iii) distributed group key agreement protocols (DGKAP)..

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

This section extensively overviews the various key exchange protocols developed in years. In [7], The researchers propose a secure group communication technique based on the Chinese Remainder Theorem and Diffie-Hellman. To generate the TEK, two rounds of broadcasts are required. It ensures that there is no single trusted authority and that computation is spread equitably among all users. The researchers of [8] suggest a two-round key agreement approach. Compared to CRTDH, this requires less message overhead. GKMPAN, a probabilistic approach to group key management, is proposed by the authors in [9]. The authors presented a threshold cryptography-based decentralized key management scheme in [10]. [12] describes a number of topology-oriented group key management methods [13], [14], and [15]. The authors investigated fault-tolerance principles in MANET group key management protocols in [16],[17]. The researchers of [18] propose that the group be divided into sub-groups. Each sub-group is led by a leader, and the leaders of the sub-groups form a connected dominating set. GDH2 is a generalization of the two-party Diffie Hellman key agreement protocol [19]. In [20], the authors propose Secure Group communication Protocol. In [21], the authors propose a cluster-based group key management protocol where clusters are geographically delimited regions. For hierarchical groups, the author provides a cluster-based group key management technique in [22]. Amir et al. [23] developed the first contributing GKA procedure that was resistant to any series of group modifications. Only a few known protocols, such as the Joux technique [24] and the BS protocol suggested by Boneh and Silverberg [25], are really one-round self-organizing and distributed protocols. Both of these, though, are unworkable. Wu [26, 27] has recently proposed some actual asymmetric group key agreement procedures. This protocol is classified as self-organizing, however it is only suitable for a static group [37] and is unauthenticated. The Chinese Remainder Theorem is used to create a novel approach to designing distributed group key agreement systems (CRT). The approach presented by Zheng [28] is a centralised CRT-based protocol.

III. PROPOSED MEHTOD IMPLEMENTATION

In [1], we presented our proposed method for group key management scheme for wireless sensor networks.

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A. GKMP Algorithm Overview –

The entire network is divided into groups. Each group is having one Key Generation Center (KGC) and other participating clients. Group key management method executed within a group which is facilitating a common key among KGC and participating clients. The below random secret value generation algorithm generates distinct random parameters to each client and KGC. These parameters are used during the client's authentication with KGC and group key communication.

B. Proposed GKMP

1. Initialization:

- Choose n , where n : group size, KGC: Key Generation centre, $c_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$: no. of participants.
- The KGC selects two large safe primes p and q

$$(i.e. p' = \frac{p-1}{2} \text{ and } q' = \frac{q-1}{2} \text{ are also primes})$$

and compute $n = pq$;

Then KGC runs **Setup** algorithm input for this algorithm is k (security parameter) and outputs $params = (q, G_1, G_2, G_T, e)$. The message space is Z/qZ . where G_1, G_2, G_T are cyclic groups of prime order q and $e : \{G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_T\}$. KGC also runs **Key generation** algorithm, the outputs public key and secret key pair, where KGC keeps the secret key with it and gives the public key to all users during user registration phase. Where public key is the tuple $\langle P_1, P_2, U, V, z \rangle$ and secret key is the tuple $\langle P_1, x, y, U \rangle$ (P_1 is a random generator from G_1) and $V = yP_2 \in G_2$ (P_2 is a random generator from G_2), $z = e(P_1, P_2) \in G_T$.

2. User Registration:

- Each user $U_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, shares a long-term secret $(x_i, y_i) \in Z_n^* \times Z_n^*$ and public key $\langle P_1, P_2, U, V, z \rangle$ with the KGC.

3. Round 1: User U_1 :

- User send request to KGC: $U_1 \rightarrow KGC: \{U_1, \dots, U_t\}$

4. Round 2: The KGC:

- Computes $m = h(U_1, \dots, U_t)$,
- Let m be the message to sign and let $\langle P_1, x, y_i \rangle$ be the secret key,
- Picks a random $r \in (Z/qZ) - \frac{x+m}{y}$,
- Compute $\sigma = (x + m + yr)^{-1} P_1 \in G_1$ (the inverse $(x + m + yr)^{-1}$ is computed module q),
- Broadcast $\langle \sigma, r \rangle$ to all users.

5. Round 3: Each user $U_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, t$:

Each participant uses a pair $\langle \sigma, r \rangle$ and public keys $\langle P_1, P_2, U, V, z \rangle$ calculates as follows.

- Computes $m = h(U_1, \dots, U_t)$
- Return valid if $e(\sigma, U + mP_2 + rV) = z$, otherwise return invalid.

- Each user chooses a random integer R_i from Z_n^* .

- Sends $U_i \rightarrow KGC : R_i$.

6. Round 4: KGC compute and broadcast

KGC transmits group secret key to each client $S = \{ID_1, ID_2, \dots, ID_n\}$ then KGC calculate and send the commitments as follows:

- Randomly selects Group Key $K \in G_1$.

- Choose $R \in Z_p^*$ randomly and compute $HS = (C_1, C_2, C_3)$, where,
 - $C_1 = K \cdot \hat{e}(g, g)^R$
 - $C_2 = UH(x_i, y_i)$
 - $C_3 = g^{m \cdot R}$

- KGC broad cast commitments HS to each client ID_i .

7. Group Key (\mathbb{K}) Computation:

- Each client $ID_i \in S$, Compute the common group key as follows:

$$- K = \frac{C_1}{\hat{e}(C_2, C_3, g^{\sigma_i})}$$

Successful computation of group key, each client ID_i use this for decryption of the cipher text.

8. Key Verification

- Each Participant S_i , compute $Auth^1 = H(K, S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n, r_i)$;
- $flag \leftarrow 1$
- For $i = 1, \dots, n$
 - * If $Auth = Auth^1$, $flag = flag * 1$, else $flag = flag * 0$
- If $flag = 0$, return \perp
- Else, Return \mathbb{K}

B. Correctness

In this subsection, we present the correctness of the proposed Group Key Management Protocol.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{C_1}{\hat{e}(C_2, C_3, g^{\sigma_i})} &= \frac{C_1}{\hat{e}(g^{H(x_i, y_i) \cdot R} \cdot g^{m \cdot R}, g^{(H(x_i, y_i) \cdot R + m)^{-1}})} \\ &= \frac{C_1}{\hat{e}(g^{H(x_i, y_i) + m} \cdot R, \frac{1}{g^{(H(x_i, y_i) + m)}})} \\ &= \frac{K \cdot \hat{e}(g, g)^R}{\hat{e}(g, g)^R} = K \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

IV. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The findings of the suggested GKMP Method on the NS2 simulator are presented in this section. Different network topologies were selected in our experiment to simulate key management (KM) in the NS2 simulator. The routing protocol is used to mimic a cluster of 70 nodes in a topography. The nodes in the topology of the network are picked at random.



Simulation procedure: We used tcl (Tool command language) for the front end and C++ for the back end in the NS2 simulator. - is the primary file; dsdv.cc - is the routing protocol; clust - is the file that deals with node location and cluster colours. It also determines the coverage range. - is the network animator; God - is the general operating director,

which monitors each node within the cluster; pairkey - is in charge of pairwise key generation; clus1 - is in charge of adding the agent for each node (TCP agent is required for data transmission); - bloom filter is in charge of node authentication. It is used to keep adversaries at bay while communicating.

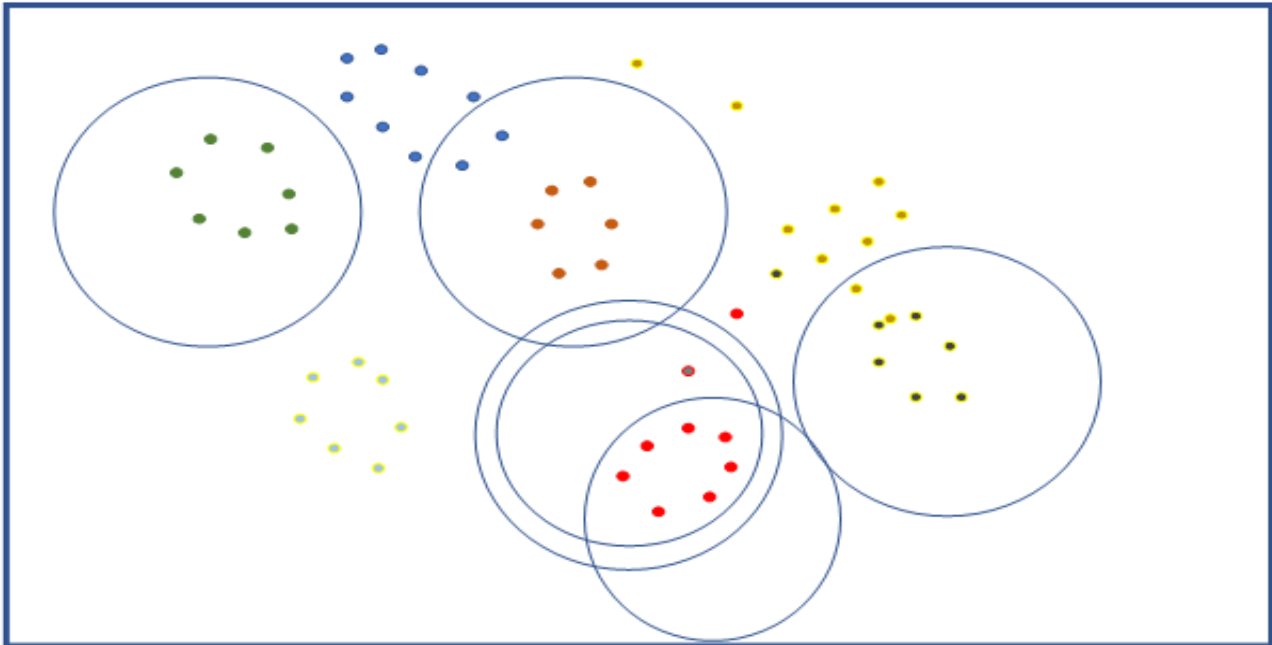


Fig 1: Sensor node deployment

Sensor node deployment - Figure 1 depicts the deployment of sensor nodes. The sensor nodes are first installed in the network area in this step. The topology also specifies the total number of nodes. Path-Key Establishment Among Nodes - The path key between sensor nodes is established in this step. Figure 1 shows an example of this process (c).

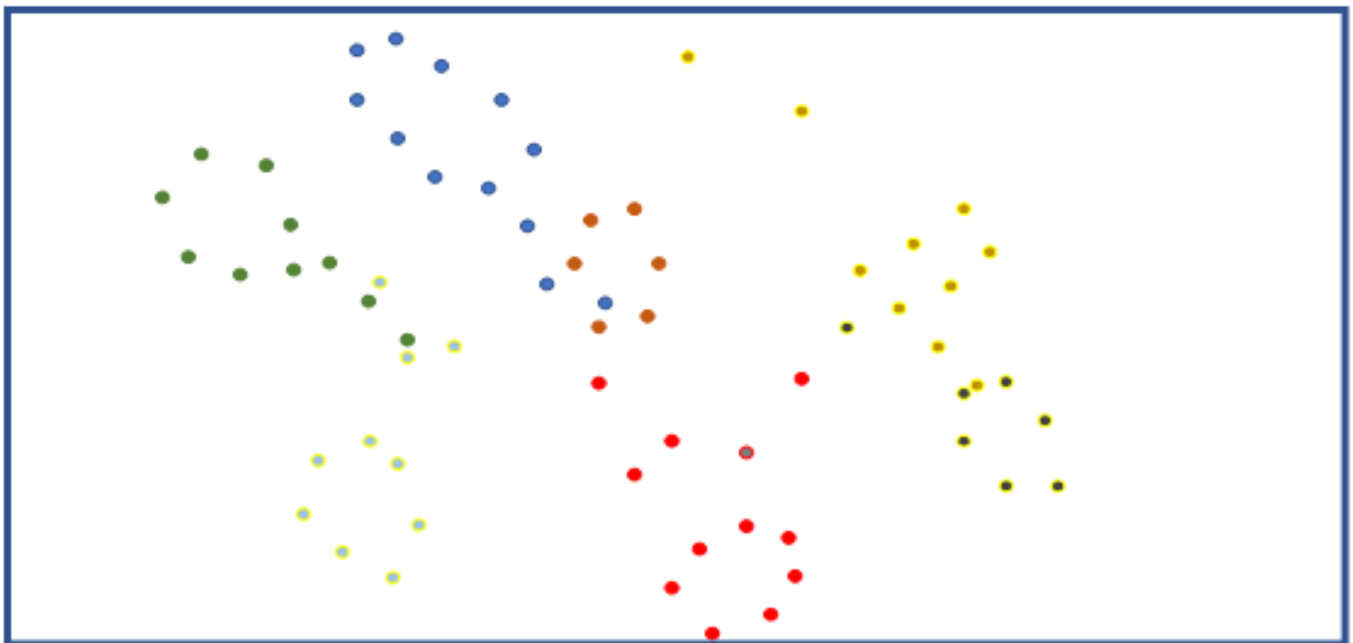


Fig 2: Cluster formation

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Data transmission - After key establishment, data transmission in a secure manner will happen inside network.

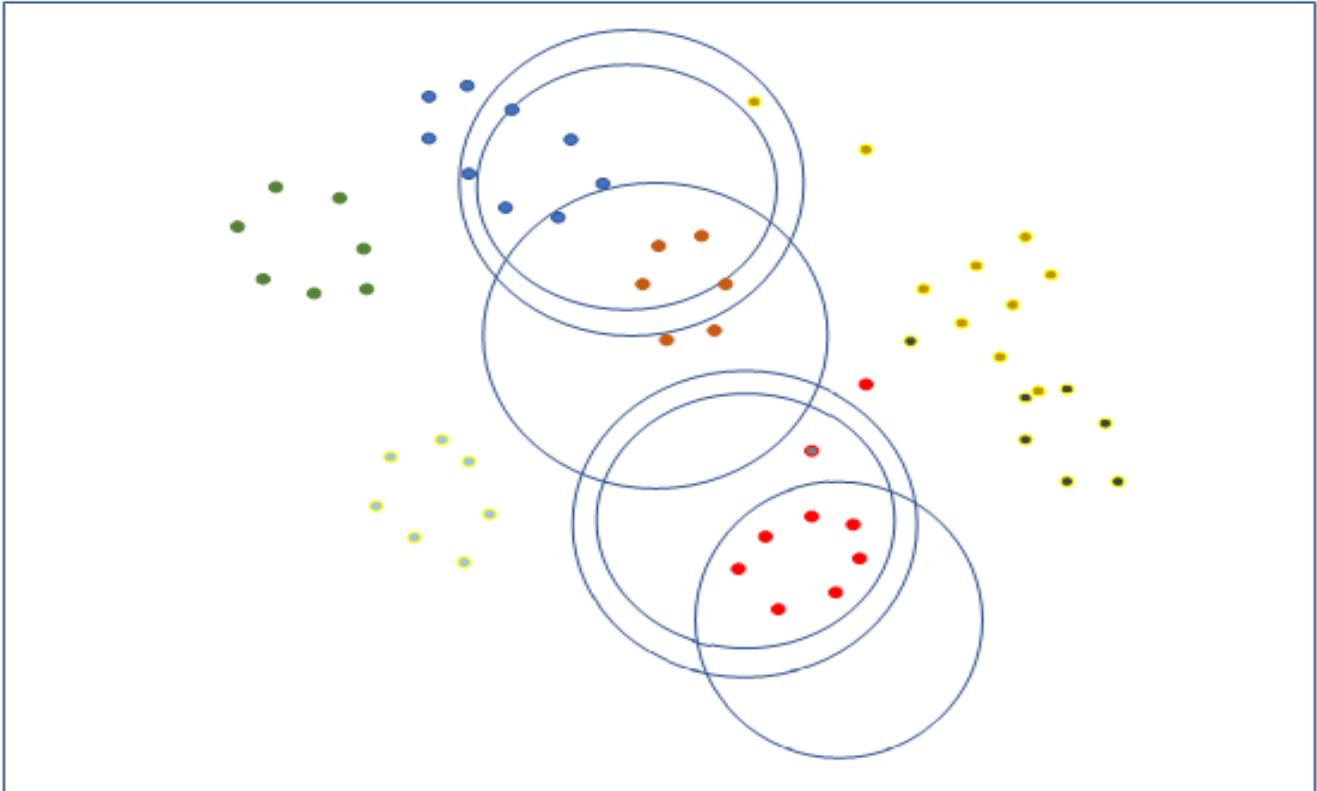


Fig 3: Path Key Establishment

Node/Member Added in a network chunk - This step deals with the new node addition in the network.

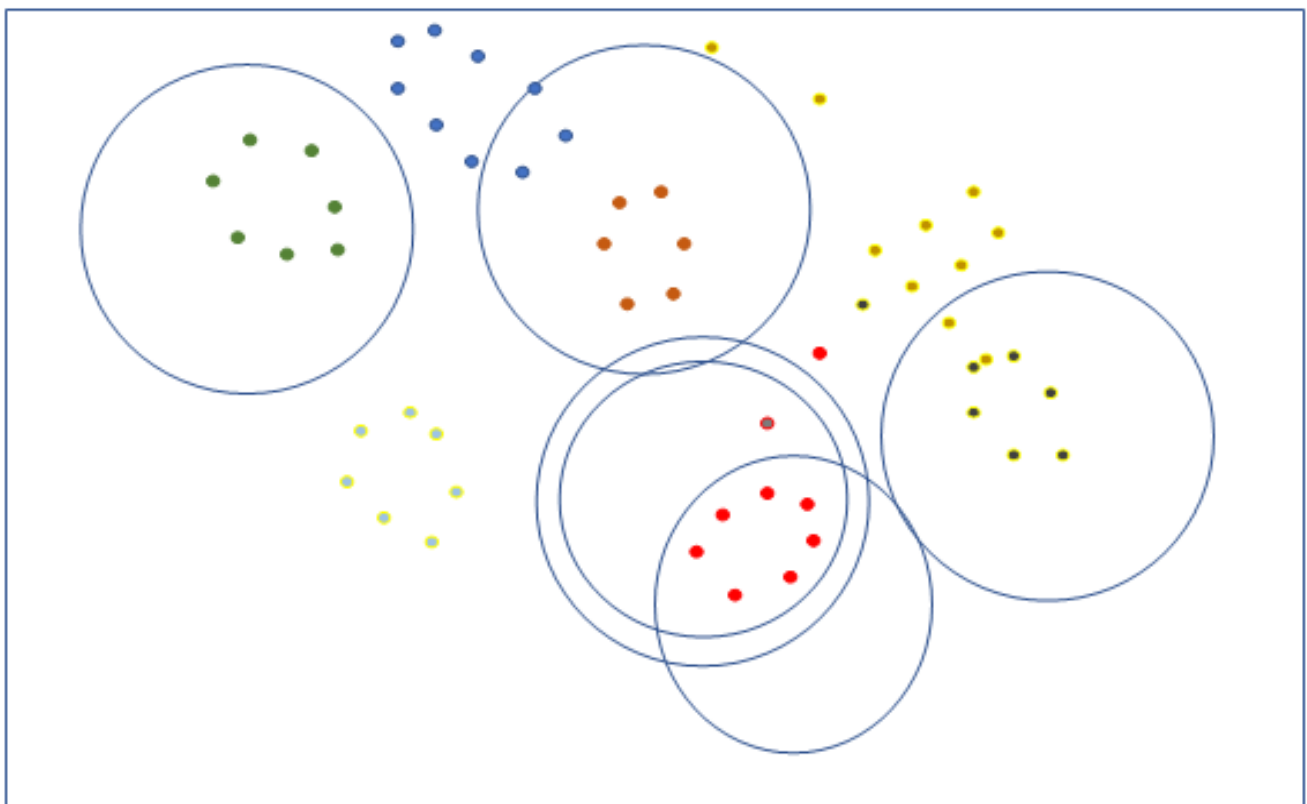


Fig 4: Node Add/Leave Operation

graph presented in fig. (5) is - Total utilization of bandwidth in network cluster.

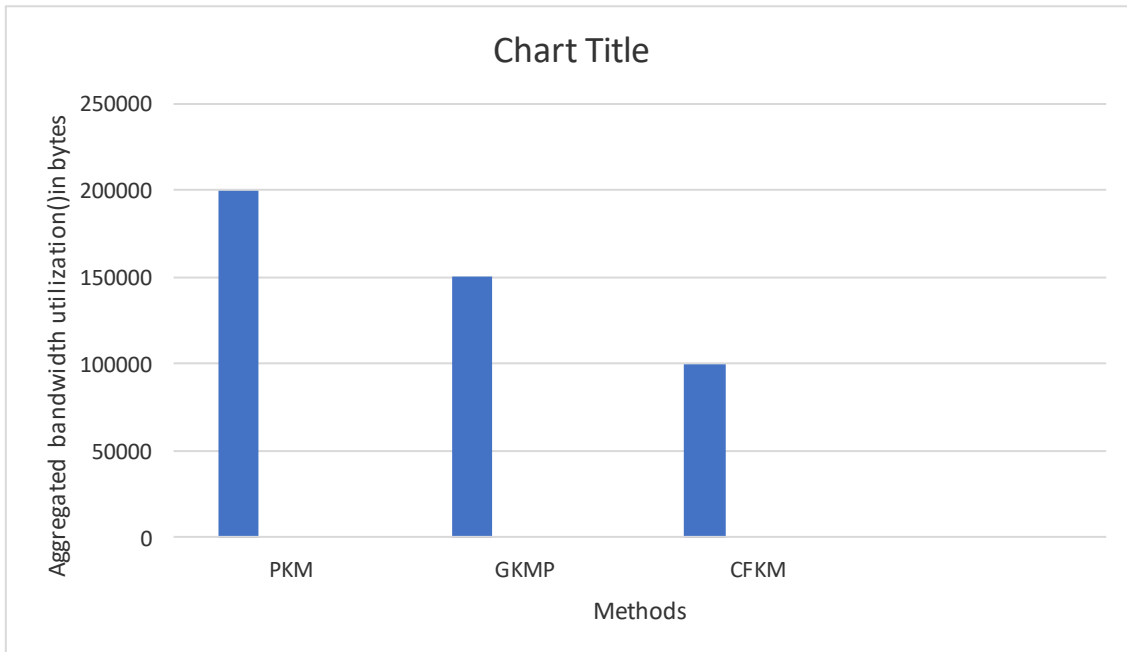
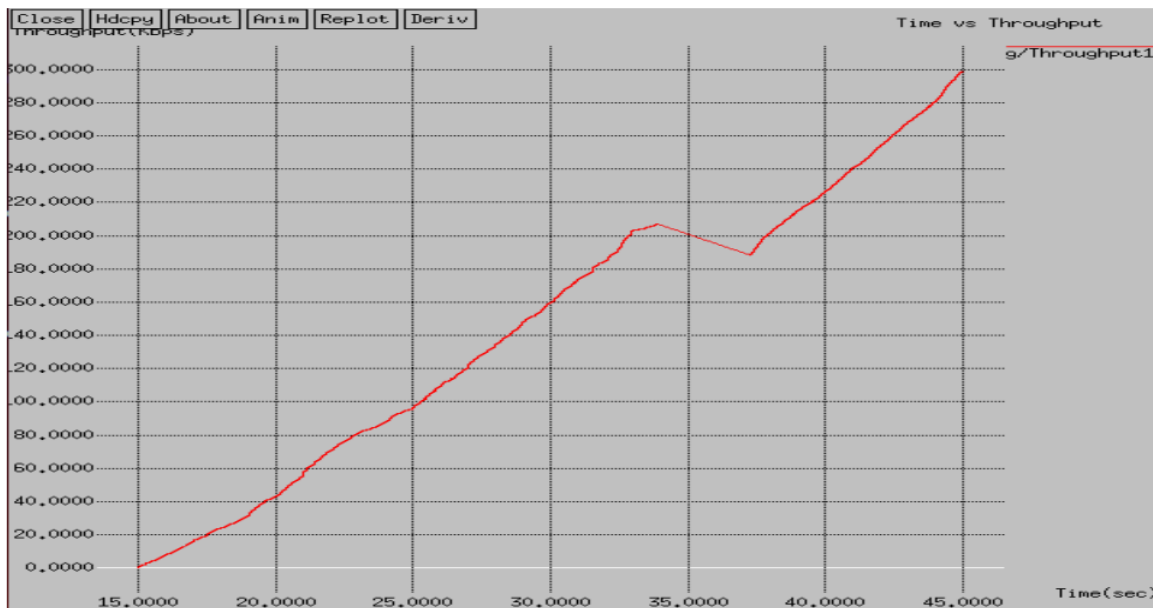


Fig 5: Total Utilization of Bandwidth



The above graph presented in fig. (6) is - time vs throughput in pairwise key management.

Fig 6: Time vs Throughput

V. CONCLUSION

A Group Key Management procedure or method allows a group of people to create a shared secret across an open network. The protocol enables group members to generate a common encryption key, as well as providing key security and unknown key share characteristics. The suggested scheme's security is also explored. The proposed protocol was tested in the NS2 simulator, and the results are presented.

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