

One of our Algorithms is Missing Crypto APIs in 2014

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Most Real World Crypto™ is delivered by APIs.

APIs are often standardised.

Standards can lag behind advances in crypto...

...in 2014 some progress was made.



PKCS#11

Describes Cryptoki, most widely-used API for crypto hardware
smartcards, HSMs (see session 9 tomorrow)



Latest version (v2.20) - 2004(!)

In 2012, the standard moved from RSA to OASIS

v2.40 approved in December 2014

v2.20

No authenticated encryption mode

No MAC mode secure for variable-length messages

PBKDF2 with SHA-1 only

Broken legacy crypto

Secure key management difficult

v2.40

GCM+CCM

CMAC + GMAC

PBKDF2 with SHA-256 and SHA-512

Less broken legacy crypto

Secure key management difficult

Webcrypto

Native crypto available in the browser.

Some good crypto, some less good crypto.

<https://github.com/cryptosense>

A simple (free) analysis tool

Secure key management difficult

More in: Cairns & Steel 2014, "Webcrypto Analysis Highlights"

More on secure use of PKCS#11
and Webcrypto at:

<http://cryptosense.com/blog>



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