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# 1. Cryptographic Module Specification

This document is the non-proprietary security policy for the Red Hat Enterprise Linux GnuTLS Cryptographic Module v4.0, and was prepared as part of the requirements for conformance to Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 140-2, Level 1 Software Module.

## 1.1. Description of the Module

The Red Hat Enterprise Linux GnuTLS Cryptographic Module (hereafter referred to as the “module”) is a set of libraries implementing general purpose cryptographic algorithms and network protocols. The module supports the Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol defined in [RFC5246] and the Datagram Transport Layer Security (DTLS) Protocol defined in [RFC4347]. The module provides a C language Application Program Interface (API) for use by other calling applications that require cryptographic functionality or TLS/DTLS network protocols.

The components of the cryptographic module are specified in the following table:

Component	Description
libgnutls	This library provides the main interface which allows the calling applications to request cryptographic services. The Approved cryptographic algorithm implementations provided by this library include the TLS protocol, DRBG, RSA Key Generation, Diffie-Hellman and EC Diffie-Hellman.
libnettle	This library provides the cryptographic algorithm implementations, including AES, Triple-DES, SHA, HMAC, RSA Digital Signature, DSA and ECDSA.
libhogweed	This library includes the primitives used by libgnutls and libnettle to support the asymmetric cryptographic operations.
libgmp	This library provides the big number arithmetic operations to support the asymmetric cryptographic operations.
.hmac	The .hmac files contain the HMAC-SHA-256 values of its associated library for integrity check during the power-up.

Table 1: Cryptographic Module Components

The module has been tested on the following multi-chip standalone platforms:

Manufacturer	Model	Test Configurations
Hewlett-Packard (HP)	ProLiant DL380p Gen8 with Intel® Xeon® E5 (x86)	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 32-bit with SSSE3 and with/without AES-NI</li><li>• 64-bit with SSSE3 and with/without AES-NI</li></ul>
International Business Machines (IBM)	Power System S814 (8286-41A) with POWER8 processor (ppc)	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 64-bit Little Endian</li></ul>
International Business Machines (IBM)	z13 (s390x)	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 32-bit</li><li>• 64-bit</li></ul>

Table 2: Tested Platforms



**Note:** Per FIPS 140-2 IG G.5, the CMVP makes no statement as to the correct operation of the module or the security strengths of the generated keys when this module is ported and executed in an operational environment not listed on the validation certificate.

The following table shows the security level for each of the eleven sections of the validation:

Security Component	FIPS 140-2 Security Level
Cryptographic Module Specification	1
Cryptographic Module Ports and Interfaces	1
Roles, Services and Authentication	1
Finite State Model	1
Physical Security	N/A
Operational Environment	1
Cryptographic Key Management	1
EMI/EMC	1
Self-Tests	1
Design Assurance	1
Mitigation of Other Attacks	1

*Table 3: Security Level of the Module*

## 1.2. Description of the Approved Modes

The module supports two modes of operation:

- In "FIPS mode" (the FIPS Approved mode of operation) only approved or allowed security functions with sufficient security strength can be used.
- In "non-FIPS mode" (the non-Approved mode of operation) only non-approved security functions can be used.

When the module is powered up, the module executes the power-up tests and obtains the HMAC value of the module for integrity check from the .hmac file for each software libraries within the module's logical boundary. The module enters FIPS mode automatically after power-up tests succeed. If the module fails any power-up tests, the module will return an error code and enter the error state to prohibit any further cryptographic operations. The operator should follow the guidance in section 9.3 for descriptions of possible self-test errors and recovery procedures.

Once the module completes power-up tests successfully and enters FIPS mode by default, the module is available to provide cryptographic services. The mode of operation is implicitly assumed depending on the security function invoked and the security strength of the cryptographic keys.

Critical security parameters used or stored in FIPS mode are not used in non-FIPS mode, and vice versa.



The module supports the following FIPS 140-2 Approved algorithms in FIPS mode:

Algorithm	CAVS Certificates	Standards	Keys/CSPs
AES Encryption and Decryption using C implementation with the following mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CBC</li> <li>• GCM</li> </ul>	Certs. #3613, #3614, #3615	FIPS 197 AES SP 800-38A SP 800-38D GCM	AES keys 128 bits, 192 bits and 256 bits
AES Encryption and Decryption using AES-NI supports with the following mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CBC</li> <li>• GCM</li> </ul>	Certs. #3616, #3617		
AES Encryption and Decryption using SSSE3 supports with the following mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CBC</li> <li>• GCM</li> </ul>	Certs. #3618, #3619		
3-key Triple-DES Encryption and Decryption <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CBC</li> </ul>	Certs. #2013, #2014, #2015, #2016, #2017	SP 800-67 SP 800-38A	Triple-DES keys 192 bits
DRBG using AES-256 CTR_DRBG where AES encryption is provided by the C implementation  <b>Note:</b> CTR_DRBG without Derivation Function, without Prediction Resistance and no Reseeding implementation	Certs. #943, #944, #945, #946, #947, #948, #949	SP 800-90A	Entropy input string, seed, V and Key
SHA using C implementation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SHA-1</li> <li>• SHA-224</li> <li>• SHA-256</li> <li>• SHA-384</li> <li>• SHA-512</li> </ul>	Certs. #2986, #2987, #2988	FIPS 180-4	N/A
SHA using SSSE3 supports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SHA-1</li> <li>• SHA-224</li> <li>• SHA-256</li> <li>• SHA-384</li> <li>• SHA-512</li> </ul>	Certs. #2989, #2990		



Algorithm	CAVS Certificates	Standards	Keys/CSPs
HMAC where SHA is provided by the C implementation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SHA-1</li> <li>SHA-224</li> <li>SHA-256</li> <li>SHA-384</li> <li>SHA-512</li> </ul>	Certs. #2320, #2321, #2322	FIPS 198-1	At least 112 bits HMAC Key
HMAC where SHA is provided by the SSSE3 supports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SHA-1</li> <li>SHA-224</li> <li>SHA-256</li> <li>SHA-384</li> <li>SHA-512</li> </ul>			
DSA Key Generation, Domain Parameters Generation and Verification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SHA-384</li> </ul>	Certs. #1008, #1009, #1010, #1011, #1012	FIPS 186-4	DSA keys L=2048, N=224 L=2048, N=256 L=3072, N=256
DSA Signature Generation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SHA-224</li> <li>SHA-256</li> <li>SHA-384</li> <li>SHA-512</li> </ul>			
DSA Signature Verification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SHA-1</li> <li>SHA-224</li> <li>SHA-256</li> <li>SHA-384</li> <li>SHA-512</li> </ul>			
RSA Key Generation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SHA-384</li> </ul>	Certs. #1860, #1861, #1862, #1863, #1864	FIPS 186-4 Appendix B.3.2	RSA keys 2048 and 3072 bits
RSA (PKCS#1 v1.5) Signature Generation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SHA-224</li> <li>SHA-256</li> <li>SHA-384</li> <li>SHA-512</li> </ul>		FIPS 186-4	
RSA (PKCS#1 v1.5) Signature Verification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SHA-1</li> <li>SHA-224</li> <li>SHA-256</li> <li>SHA-384</li> <li>SHA-512</li> </ul>		RSA keys 1024, 2048 and 3072 bits	



Algorithm	CAVS Certificates	Standards	Keys/CSPs
ECDSA Key Pair Generation and Public Key Verification	Certs. #745, #746, #747, #748, #749	FIPS 186-4	ECDSA keys based on P-256, P-384, or P-521 curve
ECDSA Signature Generation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SHA-224</li> <li>• SHA-256</li> <li>• SHA-384</li> <li>• SHA-512</li> </ul>			
ECDSA Signature Verification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SHA-1</li> <li>• SHA-224</li> <li>• SHA-256</li> <li>• SHA-384</li> <li>• SHA-512</li> </ul>			
Key Derivation Function in TLS v1.0, v1.1 and v1.2 with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SHA-256</li> <li>• SHA-384</li> <li>• SHA-512</li> </ul>	CVL Certs. #633, #635, #637, #639, #641	SP800-135 rev1 Section 4.2	None

Table 4: Validated Cryptographic Algorithms

**Note:** The TLS and DTLS network protocols have not been reviewed or tested by the CAVP and CMVP.

**Note2:** 1024 bit RSA and DSA signature verification is legacy-use.

The module supports different AES and SHA implementations based on the underlying platform's capability. The module supports the use of AES-NI and SSSE3 when it is operated in an Intel® x86-64 architecture environment. When the AES-NI is enabled in the operating environment, the module performs the AES operations using the supports from the AES-NI instructions; when the AES-NI is disabled in the operating environment, the module performs the AES operations using the supports from the Supplemental Streaming SIMD Extensions 3 (SSSE3). The module also performs SHA operations using the supports from the SSSE3. The SSSE3 cannot be disabled on the test platform that runs in the Intel® x86 architecture environment. The AES and SHA implementations that uses the AES-NI and SSSE3 supports and their related algorithms have been CAVS tested and functional tested. Although the module implements different implementations for AES and SHA, only one implementation for one algorithm will ever be available for AES, SHA and HMAC cryptographic services at run-time.

The module implements the following non-Approved algorithms but allowed in FIPS mode:

- RSA Key Wrapping with encryption and decryption primitives and at least 2048 bits modulus size
- FIPS 186-4 RSA Key Generation and Signature Generation with at least 2048 bits modulus size except 2048 and 3072 bits<sup>1</sup>
- FIPS 186-4 RSA Signature Verification with at least 1024 bits modulus size except 1024,

<sup>1</sup> These algorithms are CAVS tested and listed as Approved algorithms in this module.



2048 and 3072 bits<sup>1</sup>

- FIPS 186-4 RSA Digital Signature with MD5 or SHA-1<sup>2</sup>
- Diffie-Hellman KAS with SHA-224 and SHA-256 and 2048 bits domain parameters size (CVL Certs. #632, #634, #636, #638 and #640)
- Diffie-Hellman KAS with greater than 2048 bits domain parameters size
- EC Diffie-Hellman KAS with SHA-256, SHA-384 and SHA-512, and keys associated with the NIST curves P-256, P-384, P-521 (CVL Certs. #632, #634, #636, #638 and #640)

The module implements the following non-Approved algorithms only available in non-FIPS mode:

- AES with counter mode (CTR)
- Blowfish
- Camellia
- CAST 128
- DES
- Diffie-Hellman KAS with smaller than 2048 bits domain parameters size
- FIPS 186-2 RSA Key Generation
- FIPS 186-4 RSA Key Generation, Signature Generation and Key Wrapping with modulus size smaller than 2048 bits and/or non-Approved hashing
- FIPS 186-4 RSA Signature Verification with smaller than 1024 bits modulus size
- FIPS 186-4 DSA Signature Generation with smaller than 2048 bits public key size
- GOST Hash R 34.11-94 (RFC4357)
- Lagged Fibonacci Pseudo-randomness Generator
- MD2
- MD4
- MD5
- PBKDFv2 (RFC2898)
- RC2
- RC4
- RIPEMD-160
- Salsa20

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<sup>2</sup> Please note that MD5 and SHA-1 can be used in the digital signature when it is used in TLS protocol according to the [SP800-52].



- Serpent
- SHA-3
- Twofish
- UMAC
- Yarrow RNG

Regarding the available services in FIPS mode of operation and non-FIPS mode of operation, please refer to Table 6: Services Available in FIPS mode and Table 7. Services Available in non-FIPS mode in section 3.2 Services.

### **1.3. Cryptographic Boundary**

The module's physical boundary is the physical boundary of the test platform. The embodiment type of the module is defined as multi-chip standalone.

The module's logical boundary is the shared library files and their integrity check HMAC files, which are delivered through Red Hat Package Manager (RPM) listed in section 9.1. The binary files and the HMAC files within the module's logical boundary are listed below:

- libgnutls library:
  - /usr/lib64/libgnutls.so.28.41.0 (64 bits)
  - /usr/lib64/.libgnutls.so.28.41.0.hmac (64 bits)
  - /usr/lib/libgnutls.so.28.41.0 (32 bits)
  - /usr/lib/.libgnutls.so.28.41.0.hmac (32 bits)
- libnettle library:
  - /usr/lib64/libnettle.so.4.7 (64 bits)
  - /usr/lib64/.libnettle.so.4.7.hmac (64 bits)
  - /usr/lib/libnettle.so.4.7 (32 bits)
  - /usr/lib/.libnettle.so.4.7.hmac (32 bits)
- libhogweed library:
  - /usr/lib64/libhogweed.so.2.5 (64 bits)
  - /usr/lib64/.libhogweed.so.2.5.hmac (64 bits)
  - /usr/lib/libhogweed.so.2.5 (32 bits)
  - /usr/lib/.libhogweed.so.2.5.hmac (32 bits)
- libgmp library:
  - /usr/lib64/libgmp.so.10.2.0 (64 bits)

- /usr/lib64/fipscheck/libgmp.so.10.2.0.hmac (64 bits)
- /usr/lib/libgmp.so.10.2.0 (32 bits)
- /usr/lib/sse2/fipscheck/libgmp.so.10.2.0.hmac (32 bits)

### 1.3.1. Hardware Block Diagram

The physical boundary of the module is the physical boundary of the test platform which is a General Purpose Computer (GPC). The following block diagram shows the hardware components of a GPC:

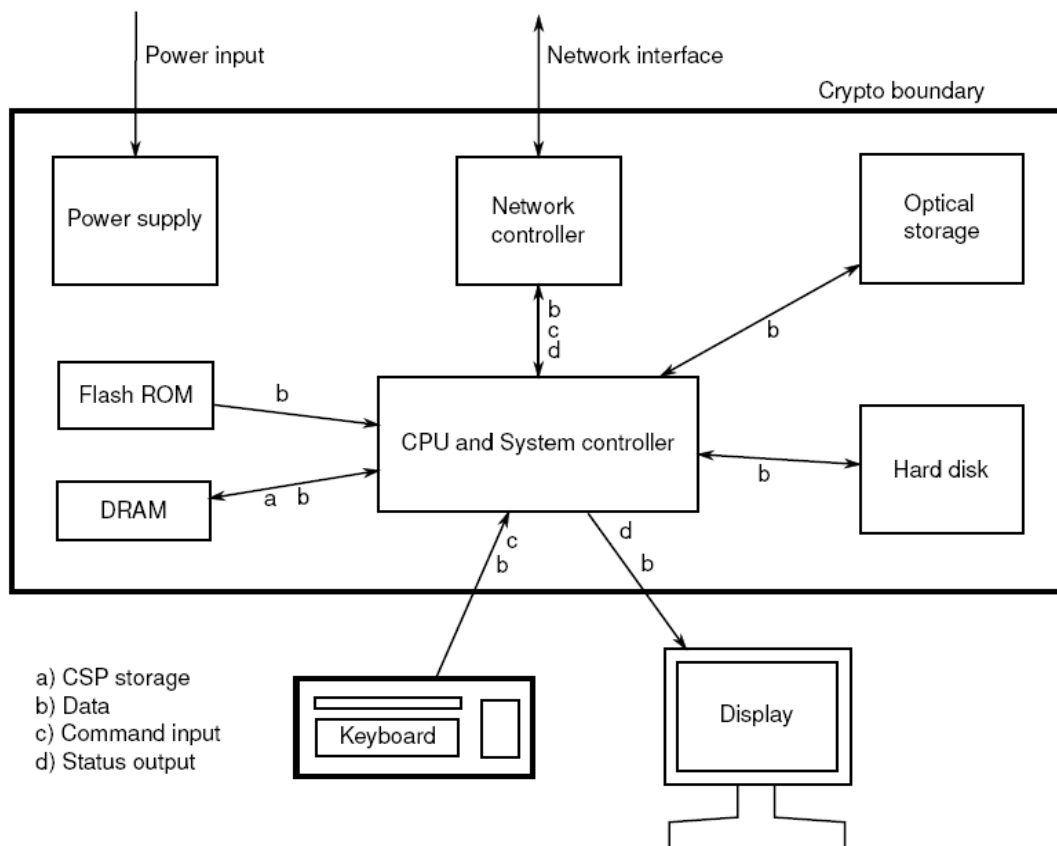


Figure 1. Hardware Block Diagram

### 1.3.2. Software Block Diagram

The block diagrams below shows the module's logical boundary, its interface with the operational environment and the delimitation of its logical boundary which are included in **BLUE** box:

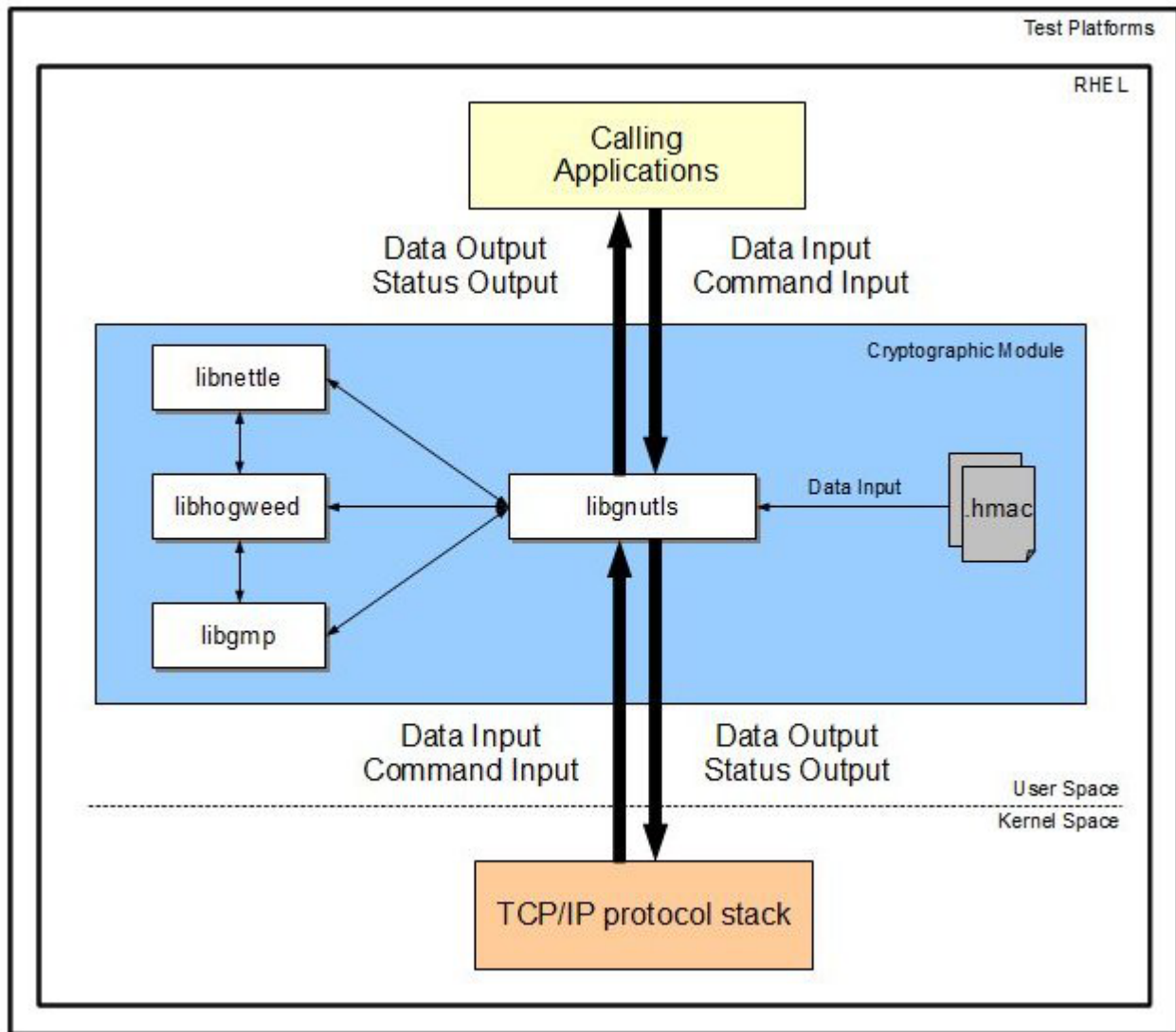


Figure 2. Software Block Diagram



## 2. Cryptographic Module Ports and Interfaces

The physical ports of the module are the same as the computer system on which it executes. The logical interface is a C-language Application Program Interface (API) through libgnutls library.

The Data Input interface consists of the input parameters of the API functions. The Data Output interface consists of the output parameters of the API functions. The Control Input interface consists of the actual API functions. The Status Output interface includes the return values of the API functions. The ports and interfaces are shown in the following table.

FIPS Interface	Physical Port	Module Interface
Data Input	Ethernet ports	API input parameters, kernel I/O - network or files on file system, TLS protocol
Data Output	Ethernet ports	API output parameters, kernel I/O - network or files on file system, TLS protocol
Control Input	Keyboard, Serial port, Ethernet port, Network	API function calls, TLS protocol
Status Output	Serial port, Ethernet port, Network	API return codes, TLS protocol
Power Input	PC Power Supply Port	N/A

*Table 5: Ports and Interfaces*

**Note:** The module is an implementation to support the TLS protocol defined in [RFC5246] and TLS is a port networking interface to provide secure channel between entities. When the calling application sends the data to the module, the module packages the data according to the TLS standard and send to other entity confidentially and integrity. The module is considered as an user interface to use the TLS protocol to communicate with other remote entities securely through the network.



### 3. Roles, Services and Authentication

This section defines the roles, services, and authentication mechanisms and methods with respect to the applicable FIPS 140-2 requirements.

#### 3.1. Roles

The module supports the following roles:

- **User role:** performs all services (in both FIPS mode and non-FIPS mode of operation), except module installation, configuration and initialization.
- **Crypto Officer role:** performs module installation, configuration and initialization.

The User and Crypto Officer roles are implicitly assumed by the entity accessing services implemented by the module.

#### 3.2. Services

The module provides services to users that assume one of the available roles. All services are described in detail in the user documentation.

The following table lists the Approved services and the non-Approved but allowed services in FIPS mode of operation, the roles that can request the service, the Critical Security Parameters (CSP) involved and how they are accessed:

Service	Role	Keys/CSPs	Access
<b>Cryptographic Library Services</b>			
Symmetric Encryption and Decryption	User	AES 128, 192 or 256 bit key	Read
		3-key Triple-DES 192 bit key	
Asymmetric Key Generation in X509 Certificate	User	RSA public-private keys with at least 2048 bits of modulus size	Create
		DSA public-private keys with at least 2048 bits of public key size	
		ECDSA public-private keys with P-256, P-384 or P-521 curve	
Digital Signature Generation in X509 Certificate	User	RSA public-private keys with at least 2048 bits of modulus size	Read
		DSA public-private keys with at least 2048 bits of public key size	
		ECDSA public-private keys with P-256, P-384 or P-521 curve	
Digital Signature Verification	User	RSA public-private keys with at least 1024 bits of modulus size	Read
		DSA public-private keys with at least 1024 bits public key size	
		ECDSA public-private keys with P-256, P-384 or P-521 curve	



Service	Role	Keys/CSPs	Access
Public Key Verification	User	RSA public-private keys with at least 2048 bits of modulus size	Read
		DSA public-private keys with at least 2048 bits of public key size	
		ECDSA public-private keys with P-256, P-384 or P-521 curve	
Diffie-Hellman Parameters Generation, Import and Export	User	Diffie-Hellman domain parameters	Create, Read, Write
Import and Export Public Key	User	RSA, DSA or ECDSA public key	Read, Write
Import and Export Private Key	User	RSA, DSA or ECDSA private key	Read, Write
Keyed Hash (HMAC)	User	At least 112 bits HMAC Key	Read
Message Digest (SHA)	User	None	None
Random Number Generation (SP800-90A DRBG)	User	Entropy input string and seed	Read
<b>Network Protocols Services</b> (Note: The underlying algorithms are the same as the algorithm implementations provided in the Cryptographic Library Services.)			
TLS or DTLS Handshaking Initialization	User	None	None
TLS Alert Protocol	User	None	None
TLS Record Protocol	User	AES or Triple-DES key, HMAC key	Read
TLS Handshaking using X509 Certificates Authentication method with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diffie-Hellman KAS</li> <li>• EC Diffie-Hellman KAS</li> <li>• RSA-based Key Wrapping using RSA Encryption and Decryption Primitives (SP 800-56B Section 7.1)</li> </ul>	User	AES or Triple-DES key, RSA, DSA or ECDSA public-private key, HMAC Key, Shared Secret, Diffie-Hellman domain parameters and EC Diffie-Hellman EC public-private keys	Create, Read
TLS Handshaking using Anonymous Authentication method with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diffie-Hellman KAS</li> <li>• EC Diffie-Hellman KAS</li> </ul>	User	AES or Triple-DES key, DSA or ECDSA public-private key, HMAC Key, Shared Secret, Diffie-Hellman domain parameters and EC Diffie-Hellman EC public-private keys	Create, Read



Service	Role	Keys/CSPs	Access
TLS Handshaking using Pre-Shared Key (PSK) Authentication method with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diffie-Hellman KAS</li> <li>• EC Diffie-Hellman KAS</li> <li>• RSA-based Key Wrapping using RSA Encryption and Decryption Primitives (SP 800-56B Section 7.1)</li> </ul>	User	AES or Triple-DES key, RSA, DSA or ECDSA public-private key, HMAC Key, Shared Secret, Diffie-Hellman domain parameters and EC Diffie-Hellman EC public-private keys	Create, Read
TLS X.509 Certificate Handling, including digital signature, key/certificate import and export, and support the following format: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PKCS#7</li> <li>• PKCS#12</li> <li>• Binary (DER) encoding</li> <li>• ASCII (PEM) encoding</li> </ul>	User	RSA, DSA or ECDSA public-private key	Read, Write
TLS Extensions	User	RSA, DSA or ECDSA public-private key	Read
<b>Other FIPS-related Services</b>			
Show status	User	None	None
Self-test	User	None	None
Zeroize	User	All aforementioned CSPs	Zeroize
Module Installation	Crypto Officer	None	None
Module Initialization	Crypto Officer	None	None

Table 6: Services Available in FIPS mode

The following table lists the services only available in non-FIPS mode of operation.

Service	Role	Keys/CSPs	Access
FIPS 186-4 RSA Key Generation, Signature Generation, Public Key Verification or Key Wrapping with modulus size smaller than 2048 bits	User	RSA public-private keys with modulus size smaller than 2048 bits	Create, Read
FIPS 186-4 RSA Signature Verification with modulus size smaller than 1024 bits	User	RSA public-private keys with modulus size smaller than 1024 bits	Read
FIPS 186-2 RSA Key Generation	User	RSA public-private keys	Create
FIPS 186-4 RSA Signature Generation with non-Approved Message Digest algorithms	User	RSA public-private keys	Read



Service	Role	Keys/CSPs	Access
DSA Key Generation, Signature Generation or Public Key Verification with public key size smaller than 2048 bits	User	DSA public-private keys with public key size smaller than 2048 bits	Create, Read
DSA Signature Verification with public key size smaller than 1024 bits	User	DSA public-private keys with public key size smaller than 1024 bits	Read
Asymmetric Key for Data Encryption and Decryption	User	RSA public-private keys	Read
Diffie-Hellman KAS with key sizes smaller than 2048 bits	User	Diffie-Hellman domain parameters	Read
Random Number Generation or Symmetric Key Generation using Yarrow RNG or Lagged Fibonacci Pseudorandomness Generator	User	PRNG seed	Read
Encryption and Decryption using AES CTR, Blowfish, Camellia, CAST 128, DES, RC2, RC4, Salsa20, Serpent, or Twofish	User	8 to 2048 bits key	Read
Message Digest using GOST Hash R 34.11-94 (RFC4357), MD2, MD4, MD5, RIPEMD-160, or SHA-3	User	None	None
SP 800-132 Password-based Key Derivation Function (PBKDF2)	User	Password, derived keying material	Read, Create
MAC generation using UMAC	User	MAC key	Read
Support to use DANE Certificate	User	RSA, DSA and ECDSA public-private keys	Read
Support to use OpenPGP Certificate	User	RSA, DSA and ECDSA public-private keys	Read
Support to use PKCS#11 Certificate	User	RSA, DSA and ECDSA public-private keys	Read
Support to use the Secure RTP (SRTP) defined in RFC5764	User	AES and HMAC keys	Read
Support to use Trusted Platform Module (TPM)	User	RSA, DSA and ECDSA public-private keys	Create, Read

Table 7. Services Available in non-FIPS mode

**Note:** The module does not share CSPs between FIPS mode of operation and a non-FIPS mode of operation. All cryptographic keys used in the FIPS mode of operation must be generated in the FIPS mode or imported while running in the FIPS mode. The DRBG shall not be used for key generation for non-Approved services in non-FIPS mode.

More information about the services and their associated APIs listed in Table 6: Services Available





in FIPS mode can be found in the GnuTLS documentation `gnutls.pdf` provided with the module's code or manpages from the module.

### **3.3. Operator Authentication**

The module does not implement authentication. The role is implicitly assumed based on the service requested.



## 4. Physical Security

The module comprises of software only and thus does not claim any physical security.



## 5. Operational Environment

This module operates in a modifiable Operational Environment per the FIPS 140-2 definition.

### 5.1. Policy

The operating system is restricted to a single operator mode of operation (i.e., concurrent operators are explicitly excluded).

The application that makes calls to the module is the single user of the module, even when the application is serving multiple clients.

In FIPS mode, the `ptrace(2)` system call, the debugger (`gdb(1)`), and `strace(1)` shall not be used. In addition, other tracing mechanisms offered by the Linux environment, such as `ftrace` or `systemtap`, shall not be used.



## 6. Cryptographic Key Management

The following table summarizes the Keys and Critical Security Parameters (CSPs) that are used by the cryptographic services implemented in the module in FIPS mode:

Keys/CSPs	Generation	Entry and Output	Zeroization
128, 192 or 256 bits AES Key	The key material can be generated during the Diffie-Hellman and EC Diffie-Hellman KAS, or can be generated by the SP 800-90A DRBG.	The key is passed into the module via API input parameters. The key can exit the module via TLS protocol by using RSA-based key wrapping.	Call <code>gnutls_cipher_deinit()</code> to zeroize the key.
192 bits Triple-DES Key	The key material can be generated during the Diffie-Hellman and EC Diffie-Hellman KAS, or can be generated by the SP 800-90A DRBG.	The key is passed into the module via API input parameters. The key can exit the module via TLS protocol by using RSA-based key wrapping.	Call <code>gnutls_cipher_deinit()</code> to zeroize the key.
At least 112 bits HMAC Key	The key material can be generated during the Diffie-Hellman and EC Diffie-Hellman KAS, or can be generated by the SP 800-90A DRBG.	The key is passed into the module via API input parameters. The key can exit the module via TLS protocol by using RSA-based key wrapping.	Call <code>gnutls_hmac_deinit()</code> to zeroize the key.
RSA Public-Private Keys with at least 2048 bits of modulus size	The RSA public-private keys with the modulus size of 2048 and 3072 bits are generated using FIPS 186-4 RSA Key Generation method and the random value used in key generation is generated using SP 800-90A DRBG.	The key is passed into the module via API input parameters, or imported via service calls. The public-private keys can be exported via service calls, and the public key can exit the module via TLS protocol.	Call <code>gnutls_rsa_params_deinit()</code> , <code>gnutls_privkey_deinit()</code> or <code>gnutls_x509_privkey_deinit()</code> to zeroize the key.
DSA Public-Private Keys where the public key size is at least 2048 bits	The DSA public-private keys with the public key size of 2048 and 3072 bits are generated using FIPS 186-4 DSA Key Generation method and the random value used in key generation is generated using SP 800-90A DRBG.	The key is passed into the module via API input parameters, or imported via service calls. The public-private keys can be exported via service calls.	Call <code>gnutls_privkey_deinit()</code> or <code>gnutls_x509_privkey_deinit()</code> to zeroize the key.



ECDSA Public-Private Keys where the key associated with P-256, P-384 or P-521 curve	The ECDSA public-private keys are generated using FIPS 186-4 ECDSA Key Generation method and the random value used in key generation is generated using SP 800-90A DRBG.	The key is passed into the module via API input parameters, or imported via service calls. The public-private keys can be exported via service calls.	Call <code>gnutls_privkey_deinit()</code> or <code>gnutls_x509_privkey_deinit()</code> to zeroize the key.
Diffie-Hellman domain parameters where the public key size is at least 2048 bits	The domain parameters used in Diffie-Hellman is generated using SP 800-90A DRBG.	The domain parameters are passed into the module via API input parameters, or imported via service calls. The domain parameters can be exported via service calls, and the generated public key can exit the module via TLS protocol.	Call or <code>gnutls_deinit()</code> or <code>gnutls_dh_params_deinit()</code> to zeroize the Diffie-Hellman domain parameters.
EC Diffie-Hellman EC public-private keys where the key associated with P-256, P-384 or P-521 curve	The components to generate the public-private keys used in EC Diffie-Hellman is generated using SP 800-90A DRBG.	The key is passed into the module via API input parameters. The public key can exist the module via TLS protocol.	Call <code>gnutls_deinit()</code> to zeroize the EC public-private keys.
Shared Secret	The shared secret (i.e., the key material) is generated by the module in the Diffie-Hellman or EC Diffie-Hellman KAS function.	The module does not import or export this CSP.	Call <code>gnutls_deinit()</code> to zeroize the shared secret.
Entropy Input String for DRBG seed	Obtained from NDRNG outside of the module's logical boundary within the module's physical boundary	The module does not import or export the key or CSP.	Call <code>gnutls_global_deinit()</code> to zeroize the internal state of the DRBG.
DRBG internal V and Key	Generated internally in the DRBG	The module does not import or export the key or CSP.	Call <code>gnutls_global_deinit()</code> to zeroize the internal state of the DRBG.

Table 8: Keys/CSPs

## 6.1. Random Number Generation

The module employs a Deterministic Random Bit Generator (DRBG) based on [SP800-90A] for the creation of key components of asymmetric keys, symmetric keys, and random number generation.

The module implements the CTR\_DRBG with AES-256 without derivation function and without prediction resistance. The CTR\_DRBG is implemented in the libgnutls library and provides at least 128 bits of output data per each request.

The module uses the output of an NDRNG (i.e., /dev/urandom) as the entropy source for seeding the CTR\_DRBG. The NDRNG is implemented in the O/S which is outside of the module's logical boundary within the module's physical boundary. This pseudo device is initialized by the O/S at system startup.

The module collects 384 bits of data from the NDRNG for generating the initial seed during initialization of the CTR\_DRBG, and reseeding internally which occurs less than  $2^{48}$  times of DRBG services request. The module obtains at least 112 bits of entropy from the NDRNG per each call.

The continuous self-tests on the output of NDRNG for seeding the SP800-90A DRBG is done by the O/S to ensure that consecutive random numbers do not repeat.

## 6.2. Key Generation

The Key Generation methods implemented in the module for Approved services in FIPS mode is compliant with [SP800-133].

For generating RSA, DSA and ECDSA keys the module implements asymmetric key generation services compliant with [FIPS186-4] and [SP800-90A].

The module does not offer a dedicated service for generating keys for symmetric algorithms or for HMAC in FIPS mode of operation. However, the module offers a DRBG compliant to [SP800-90A] to allow a caller to obtain random numbers which can be used as key material for symmetric algorithms or HMAC. The shared secret generated during the Diffie-Hellman or EC Diffie-Hellman KAS is also the key material for symmetric algorithms or HMAC.

The public and private key pairs used in the Diffie-Hellman and EC Diffie-Hellman KAS are generated internally by the module using the same DSA and ECDSA key generation compliant with [FIPS186-4] which is compliant with [SP800-56A].

### CAVEAT:

- The module generates cryptographic keys whose strengths are modified by available entropy

## 6.3. Key Establishment/Key Derivation

The module supports the [SP800-56A] Diffie-Hellman with at least 2048 bits key size and EC Diffie-Hellman with P-256, P-384 or P-521 curve in FIPS mode. The Diffie-Hellman with less than 2048 bits key size is only available in non-FIPS mode.

The module also supports RSA key wrapping using encryption and decryption primitives with the modulus size of at least 2048 bits in FIPS mode. The modulus size of 1024 bits is only available in non-FIPS mode.

According to Table 2: Comparable strengths in NIST SP 800-57 Part1 (dated on March 8, 2007), the key sizes of RSA, Diffie-Hellman and EC Diffie-Hellman provides the following security strength for the corresponding key establishment method shown below:

- RSA key wrapping provides between 112 and 256 bits of encryption strength;
- Diffie-Hellman key agreement provides between 112 and 256 bits of encryption strength;
- EC Diffie-Hellman key agreement provides between 128 and 256 bits of encryption strength.



**Note:** As the module supports the RSA key pair with 15360 bits or more modulus size and the DSA key pair with the public key size of 15360 bits or more, the encryption strength 256 bits is claimed for RSA key wrapping and Diffie-Hellman KAS.

## 6.4. Key Entry and Output

The module does not support manual key entry or intermediate key generation key output.

For symmetric algorithms or for HMAC, the keys are provided to the module via API input parameters for the cryptographic operations. For asymmetric algorithms, the keys are also provided to the module via API input parameters. The module also provides the services to import and export public and private keys.

## 6.5. Key/CSP Storage

The module does not support persistent key storage. The key and CSPs are stored as plaintext in the RAM.

The symmetric keys and HMAC keys are provided to the module via API input parameters, and are destroyed by the module using appropriate API function calls before they are released in the memory.

Asymmetric public and private keys are provided to the module via API input parameters, and are destroyed by the module using appropriate API function calls before they are released in the memory.

The HMAC key used for integrity test is stored in the .hmac file and relies on the operating system for protection.

## 6.6. Key/CSP Zeroization

The memory occupied by keys is allocated by regular libc malloc/calloc() calls. The application that uses the module is responsible for calling the appropriate destruction functions from the GnuTLS API to zeroize the keys or keying material. The destruction functions then overwrite the memory occupied by keys with pre-defined values and deallocates the memory with the free() call. In case of abnormal termination, or swap in/out of a physical memory page of a process, the keys in physical memory are overwritten by the Linux kernel before the physical memory is allocated to another process.



## **7. Electromagnetic Interference/Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMI/EMC)**

The test platforms, HP Proliant DL380p Gen8, IBM Power System S814 and IBM z13, have been tested and found to conform to the EMI/EMC requirements specified by 47 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 15, Subpart B, Unintentional Radiators, Digital Devices, Class A (i.e., for business use). These equipments are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipments are operated in a commercial environment. They shall be installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual.





## 8. Self-Tests

FIPS 140-2 requires that the module perform power-up tests to ensure the integrity of the module and the correctness of the cryptographic functionality at start up. In addition, some functions require continuous testing of the cryptographic functionality, such as the asymmetric key generation. If any self-test fails, the module returns an error code and enters the error state. No data output or cryptographic operations are allowed in error state.

See section 9.3 for descriptions of possible self-test errors and recovery procedures.

### 8.1. Power-Up Tests

The module performs power-up self-tests automatically when the module is loaded into memory; power-up tests ensure that the module is not corrupted and that the cryptographic algorithms work as expected. Input, output, and cryptographic functions cannot be performed while the module is in a self-test state because the module is single-threaded and will not return to the calling application until the power-up self-tests are completed. If any power-up self-test fails, the module returns the error code listed in section 9.3 and displays “Error in GnuTLS initialization” with the specific error message associated with the returned error code, and then enters error state. The subsequent calls to the module will also fail - thus no further cryptographic operations are possible. If the power-up self-tests complete successfully, the module will return 0 and accepts cryptographic operation services request.

#### 8.1.1. Integrity Tests

The integrity of the module is verified by comparing an HMAC-SHA-256 value calculated at run time with the HMAC value stored in the .hmac file that was computed at build time for each component of the module. If the HMAC values do not match, the test fails and the module enters the error state.

#### 8.1.2. Cryptographic Algorithm Test

The module performs self-tests on all FIPS-Approved cryptographic algorithms supported in the approved mode of operation, using the known answer tests (KAT) and pair-wise consistency test (PCT), shown in the following table:

Algorithm	Power-Up Tests
AES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• KAT AES CBC encryption</li><li>• KAT AES CBC decryption</li></ul>
Triple-DE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• KAT Triple-DES CBC encryption</li><li>• KAT Triple-DES CBC decryption</li></ul>
HMAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• KAT HMAC-SHA-1</li><li>• KAT HMAC-SHA-224</li><li>• KAT HMAC-SHA-256</li><li>• KAT HMAC-SHA-384</li><li>• KAT HMAC-SHA-512</li></ul>
SHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• KATs SHA are covered in the KATs for HMAC as allowed with IG 9.1</li></ul>
DSA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• KAT DSA 2048-bit key with SHA-256 signature generation</li><li>• KAT DSA 2048-bit key with SHA-256 signature verification</li><li>• PCT, sign and verify</li></ul>



Algorithm	Power-Up Tests
RSA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KAT RSA 2048-bit key with SHA-256 signature generation</li> <li>• KAT RSA 2048-bit key with SHA-256 signature verification</li> </ul>
ECDSA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KAT ECDSA (NIST P-256, P-384 and P-521) signature generation</li> <li>• KAT ECDSA (NIST P-256, P-384 and P-521) signature verification</li> <li>• PCT, sign and verify</li> </ul>
Diffie-Hellman	Primitive "Z" Computation KAT
EC Diffie-Hellman	Primitive "Z" Computation KAT with P-256 curve
DRBG	KAT CTR_DRBG with AES-256 bit

Table 9: Power-Up Self-Tests

For the KAT, the module calculates the result and compares it with the known value. If the answer does not match the known answer, the KAT is failed and the module returns the error code and enters the error state. For the PCT, if the signature generation or verification fails, the module returns the error code and enters the error state.

As described in section 1.2, only one AES or SHA implementation from libnettle library written in C language or using the support from AES-NI or SSSE3 instructions is available at run-time. The KATs cover different implementations depends on the implementations availability in the operating environment.

## 8.2. On-Demand Self-Tests

The on-demand self-tests is invoked by powering-off and reloading the module which cause the module to run the power-up tests again. During the execution of the on-demand self-tests, services are not available and no data output or input is possible.

## 8.3. Conditional Tests

The module performs conditional tests on the cryptographic algorithms, using the pair-wise consistency test (PCT) and Continuous Random Number Generator Test (CRNGT), shown in the following table:

Algorithm	Conditional Tests
DSA	Pairwise consistency test: signature generation and verification
ECDSA	Pairwise consistency test: signature generation and verification
RSA	Pairwise consistency test: encryption and decryption
DRBG	CRNGT is not required per IG 9.8
NDRNG	CRNGT is implemented in the Kernel

Table 10: Module Conditional Tests



## 9. Guidance

### 9.1. Crypto Officer Guidance

The binaries of the module are delivered via Red Hat Package Manager (RPM) packages. The Crypto Officer shall follow this Security Policy to configure the operational environment and install the module to be operated as FIPS 140-2 validated module.

The following version of the RPM packages containing the FIPS validated module and the operating environment settings:

Processor Architecture	RPM packages
x86_64	gnutls-3.3.8-12.el7_1.1.x86_64.rpm gmp-6.0.0-12.el7_1.x86_64.rpm nettle-2.7.1-4.el7.x86_64.rpm dracut-fips-033-241.el7_1.5.x86_64.rpm
Power8	gnutls-3.3.8-12.el7_1.1.ppc64le.rpm gmp-6.0.0-12.el7_1.ppc64le.rpm nettle-2.7.1-4.el7.ppc64le.rpm dracut-fips-033-241.el7_1.5.ppc64le.rpm
z System	gnutls-3.3.8-12.el7_1.1.s390x.rpm gmp-6.0.0-12.el7_1.s390x.rpm nettle-2.7.1-4.el7.s390x.rpm dracut-fips-033-241.el7_1.5.s390x.rpm

Table 11: RPM packages

The RPM packages of the module can be installed by standard tools recommended for the installation of RPM packages on a Red Hat Enterprise Linux system (for example, yum, rpm, and the RHN remote management tool).

For proper operation of the in-module integrity verification, the prelink has to be disabled. This can be done by setting PRELINKING=no in the /etc/sysconfig/prelink configuration file. If module were already prelinked, the prelink should be undone on all the system files using the 'prelink -u -a' command.

#### Operating Environment Configurations:

The configuration of the operating environment to support FIPS is provided by the dracut-fips package with the version of the RPM file of 033-241.el7\_1.5. The dracut-fips RPM package is only used for configuring the operating environment and does not provide any services to operators interacting with the module. Therefore the dracut-fips RPM package is outside the module's logical boundary. To configure the operating environment to support FIPS, the following shall be performed:

1. Install the dracut-fips package:

```
# yum install dracut-fips
```

2. Recreate the INITRAMFS image:

```
# dracut -f
```



After regenerating the initramfs, the Crypto Officer has to append the following string to the kernel command line by changing the setting in the boot loader:

```
fips=1
```

If `/boot` or `/boot/efi` resides on a separate partition, the kernel parameter `boot=<partition of /boot or /boot/efi>` must be supplied. The partition can be identified with the following command respectively:

```
"df /boot"
```

or

```
"df /boot/efi"
```

For example:

```
$ df /boot
```

Filesystem	1K-blocks	Used	Available	Use%	Mounted on
/dev/sda1	233191	30454	190296	14%	/boot

The partition of `/boot` is located on `/dev/sda1` in this example. Therefore, the following string needs to be appended to the kernel command line:

```
"boot=/dev/sda1"
```

Reboot to apply these settings.

The Crypto Officer shall check the file `/proc/sys/crypto/fips_enabled` if the file exists and contains "1". If the file does not exist or does not contain "1", the operating environment is not configured to support FIPS and the module will not operate properly.

Once the operating environment has been configured to support FIPS, it is not possible to switch back to standard mode without terminating the module first.

## Module Installations:

The Crypto Officer can install the RPM packages contains the module listed in Table 11: RPM packages based on the processor architecture. The integrity of the RPM is automatically verified during the installation of the module and the Crypto Officer shall not install the RPM file if the RPM tool indicates an integrity error.

## 9.2. User Guidance

The applications must be linked dynamically to run the module. Only the services listed in Table 6: Services Available in FIPS mode are allowed to be used in FIPS mode.

The libraries of GMP and Nettle provides the support of cryptographic operations to the GnuTLS library. The operator shall use the API provided by the GnuTLS library for the services. Invoking the APIs provided by the supporting libraries are forbidden.

### 9.2.1. TLS and Diffie-Hellman

The TLS protocol implementation provides both, the server and the client sides. As required by SP800-131A, Diffie-Hellman with keys smaller than 2048 bits must not be used any more.



The TLS protocol lacks the support to negotiate the used Diffie-Hellman key sizes. To ensure full support for all TLS protocol versions, the TLS client implementation of the cryptographic module accepts Diffie-Hellman key sizes smaller than 2048 bits offered by the TLS server.

For complying with the requirement of [FIPS140-2] to not allow Diffie-Hellman key sizes smaller than 2048 bits, the operator must ensure that:

- in case the module is used as TLS server, the Diffie-Hellman domain parameters must be 2048 bits or larger;
- in case the module is used as TLS client, the TLS server must be configured to only offer Diffie-Hellman domain parameters of 2048 bits or larger.

### 9.2.2. AES GCM IV

In case the module's power is lost and then restored, the key used for the AES GCM encryption or decryption shall be re-distributed.

The AES GCM IV generation is in compliance with the [RFC5288] and shall only be used for the TLS protocol version 1.2 to be compliant with [FIPS140-2\_IG] IG A.5; thus, the module is compliant with [SP800-52].

### 9.2.3. RSA and DSA Keys

The module allows the use of 1024 bit RSA and DSA keys for legacy purposes, including signature generation.

As per SP800-131A, RSA and DSA must be used at least 2048 bit keys in FIPS mode. To comply with the requirements of [FIPS140-2], the operator must therefore only use keys with at least 2048 bits in FIPS mode.

### 9.2.4. Symmetric Key Generation

The API function `gnutls_key_generate()` shall not be used in FIPS mode of operation. The caller shall call `gnutls_rnd()` which calls the DRBG compliant to [SP800-90A] to generate the key materials for symmetric keys or HMAC keys.

## 9.3. Handling Self-Test Errors

When the module fails any self-test, it will return an error code to indicate the error and enters error state that any further cryptographic operations is inhibited. Here is the list of error codes when the module fails any self-test or in error state:

Error Events	Error Codes	Error Messages
When the KAT or PCT fails at the power-up	GNUTLS_E_SELF_TEST_ERROR (-400)	"Error while performing self checks."
When the KAT of DRBG fails at the power-up	GNUTLS_E_RANDOM_FAILED (-206)	"Failed to acquire random data."
When the new generated RSA, DSA or ECDSA key pair fails the PCT	GNUTLS_E_PK_GENERATION_ERROR (-403)	"Error in public key generation."



Error Events	Error Codes	Error Messages
When the module is in error state and caller requests cryptographic operations	GNUTLS_E_LIB_IN_ERROR_STATE (-402)	"An error has been detected in the library and cannot continue operations."

*Table 12: Error Events, Error Codes and Error Messages*

Self-test errors transition the module into an error state that keeps the module operational but prevents any cryptographic related operations. The module must be restarted and perform power-up self-test to recover from these errors. If failures persist, the module must be re-installed. When downloading the module, the Crypto Officer shall confirm from the RPM tool that the module was downloaded properly.

A completed list of the error codes can be found in Appendix C "Error Codes and Descriptions" in the gnutls.pdf provided with the module's code.



## 10. Mitigation of Other Attacks

RSA is vulnerable to timing attacks. In a setup where attackers can measure the time of RSA decryption or signature operations, blinding is always used to protect the RSA operation from that attack.

The internal API function of `_rsa_blind()` and `_rsa_unblind()` are called by the module for RSA signature generation and RSA decryption operations. The module generates a random blinding factor and include this random value in the RSA operations to prevent RSA timing attacks.

## 11. Glossary and Abbreviations

<b>AES</b>	Advanced Encryption Specification
<b>AES-NI</b>	Advanced Encryption Standard New Instructions
<b>API</b>	Application Program Interface
<b>CAVP</b>	Cryptographic Algorithm Validation Program
<b>CAVS</b>	Cryptographic Algorithm Validation System
<b>CBC</b>	Cypher Block Chaining
<b>CMVP</b>	Cryptographic Module Validation Program
<b>CRNGT</b>	Continuous Random Number Generator Test
<b>CSP</b>	Critical Security Parameter
<b>CTR</b>	Counter Mode
<b>CVL</b>	Component Validation List
<b>DES</b>	Data Encryption Standard
<b>DRBG</b>	Deterministic Random Bit Generator
<b>DSA</b>	Digital Signature Algorithm
<b>DTLS</b>	Datagram Transport Layer Security
<b>ECC</b>	Elliptic Curve Cryptography
<b>FFC</b>	Finite Field Cryptography
<b>FIPS</b>	Federal Information Processing Standards Publication
<b>GCM</b>	Galois Counter Mode
<b>GPC</b>	General Purpose Computer
<b>HMAC</b>	Hash Message Authentication Code
<b>IG</b>	Implementation Guidance
<b>KAS</b>	Key Agreement Schema
<b>KAT</b>	Known Answer Test
<b>MAC</b>	Message Authentication Code
<b>NDRNG</b>	Non-Deterministic Random Number Generator
<b>NIST</b>	National Institute of Science and Technology
<b>O/S</b>	Operating System
<b>PCT</b>	Pair-wise Consistency Test
<b>RHEL</b>	Red Hat Enterprise Linux
<b>RNG</b>	Random Number Generator
<b>RPM</b>	Red Hat Package Manager





<b>RSA</b>	Rivest, Shamir, Addleman
<b>SHA</b>	Secure Hash Algorithm
<b>SSSE3</b>	Supplemental Streaming SIMD Extensions 3
<b>TLS</b>	Transport Layer Security

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