Secure, low cost hardware protection for cryptographic keys

Secure your sensitive data and critical applications by storing, protecting and managing cryptographic keys with the YubiHSM 2, a dedicated hardware security module (HSM) that offers superior protection against key theft and misuse. A FIPS 140-2 validated version (Level 3) is also available via the YubiHSM 2 FIPS, helping government agencies and organizations across regulated industries such as financial services, healthcare, manufacturing, energy and natural resources and others, drive highest-assurance compliance.

With Yubico’s HSM offerings, you get uncompromised cryptographic hardware security for your applications, servers and computing devices at a fraction of the cost and size of traditional HSMs.

Technical Specifications

Cryptographic interfaces
- PKCS#11 API version 2.40
- Microsoft CNG via the Yubico Key Storage Provider (KSP), both 32 and 64-bit DLLs
- Full access to device capabilities through Yubico’s YubiHSM Core Libraries (C, Python)

RSA
- 2048, 3072, and 4096 bit keys
- Signing: PKCS#1 v1.5 and PSS
- Decryption: PKCS#1 V1.5 and OAEP

Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC)
- Curves: secp224r1, secp256r1, secp256k1, secp384r1, secp521r, bp256r1, bp384r1, bp512r1, Ed25519
- Signing: ECDSA (all except Ed25519), EdDSA (Ed25519 only)
- Derivation: ECDH (all except Ed25519)

AES
- 128, 196 and 256 bit keys
- ECB and CBC mode support (non-FIPS only)

Hashing functions
- SHA-1, SHA-256, SHA-384, SHA-512

Key wrap
- Import and export using NIST-approved AES CCM

Capabilities

Random numbers
- On-chip True Random Number Generator (TRNG) used to seed NIST SP 800-90A Rev.1 AES-256 CTR_DRBG

Attestation
- Asymmetric key pairs generated on-device may be attested using a device-specific Yubico attestation key and certificate or using imported custom keys and certificates

Storage capacity
- 126KB
- 256 object slots
- Object types:
  - Authentication keys
  - Asymmetric private keys
  - Opaque binary data objects
  - Wrap keys
  - HMAC keys
- The potential to store up to 127 rsa2048 or 93 rsa3072 or 68 rsa4096 or 255 of any elliptic curve type

Management
- Mutual authentication and secure channel between applications and the YubiHSM 2
- M of N unwrap key restore via the YubiHSM Setup Tool
The YubiHSM 2 enables secure, tamper-resistant key storage and operations by preventing accidental copying and distribution of cryptographic keys, and preventing remote theft of keys stored in software.

Physical characteristics

**Weight & dimensions**
- Weight: 0.035274 oz (1g)
- Dimensions: 0.47” x 0.51” x 0.12” (12mm x 13mm x 3.1mm)

**Host interface**
- USB-A connector
- Universal Serial Bus (USB) 2.0

**Power consumption**
- Less than 150mW
- Input voltage: 5V

**Reliability**
- Can withstand 500,000 write/erase cycles
- Mean Time Between Failure (MTBF) is greater than 100 years in most commonly used environments, but may vary in harsher environments
- Comes with a standard 1-year warranty

**Performance**

Performance varies depending on usage (the accompanying Software Development Kit includes performance tools that can calculate additional measurements). Example metrics from an otherwise unoccupied YubiHSM 2:

- RSA-2048-PKCS1-SHA256: ~139ms
- RSA-3072-PKCS1-SHA384: ~504ms
- RSA-4096-PKCS1-SHA512: ~852ms
- ECDSA-P224-SHA1: ~64ms
- ECDSA-P256-SHA256: ~73ms
- ECDSA-P384-SHA384: ~120ms
- ECDSA-P521-SHA512: ~210ms
- EdDSA-25519-32Bytes: ~105ms
- EdDSA-25519-64Bytes: ~121ms
- EdDSA-25519-128Bytes: ~137ms
- EdDSA-25519-256Bytes: ~168ms
- EdDSA-25519-512Bytes: ~229ms
- EdDSA-25519-1024Bytes: ~353ms
- AES-(128|192|256)-CCM-Wrap: ~10ms
- HMAC-SHA-(1|256): ~4ms
- HMAC-SHA-(384|512): ~243ms