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- pset #1 grading:
- lecture notes for last week (#6 & #7) up soon

Note:

RSA Conference; discussion of dual-ec-drbg

Project idea:

"Security of routers"

Today:

Block ciphers:

DES (Data Encryption Standard)

AES (Advanced Encryption Standard)

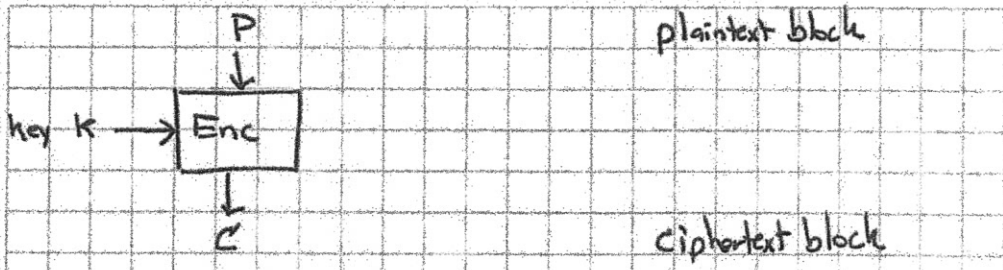
Ideal Block Cipher

"Modes of Operations" - ECB
- CTR
- CBC
- CFB

IND-CCA security def

WFE mode

Block ciphers:



fixed-length P, C, K

DES: $|P| = |C| = 64$ bits $|K| = 56$ bits

AES: $|P| = |C| = 128$ bits $|K| = 128, 192, 256$ bits

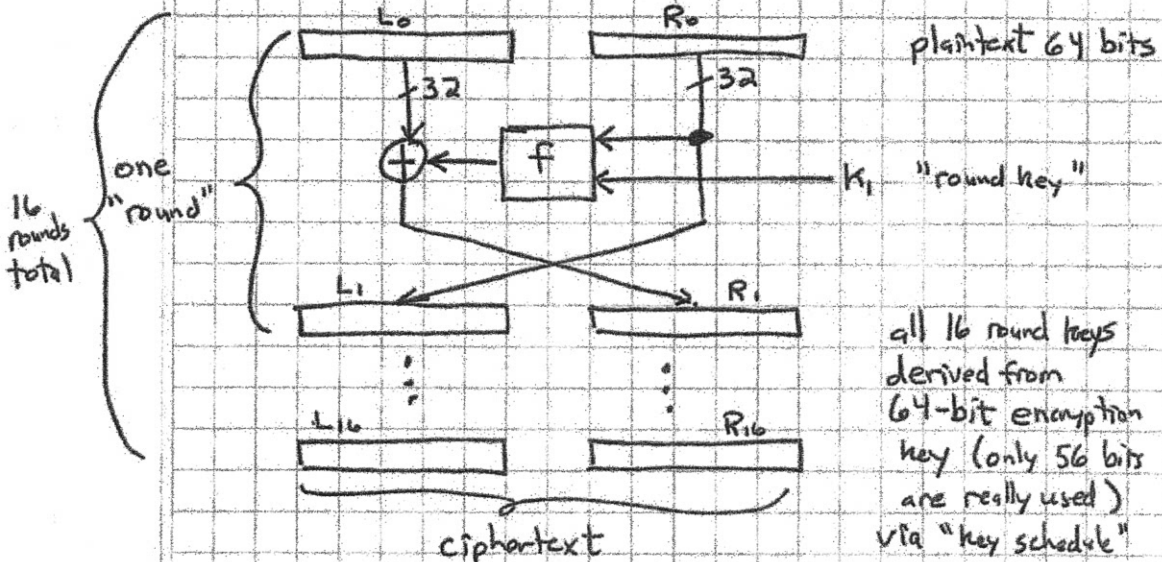
Use a "mode of operation" to handle variable-length input.

DES

"Data Encryption Standard"

Standardized in 1976. Now deprecated in favor of AES.

"Feistel structure":

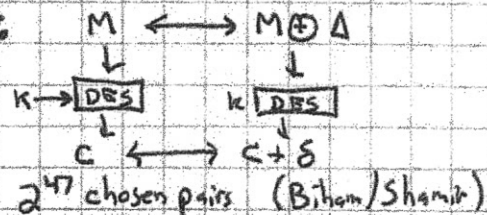


Notes: Invertible for any f and any key schedule.

f uses 8 "S-boxes" mapping 6-bits \Rightarrow 4 bits nonlinearly.

Key is too short! (Breackable now quite easily by brute-force)

Subject to differential attacks:



Subject to linear attacks:

e.g. if $M_3 \oplus M_{15} \oplus C_2 \oplus K_{14} = 0$ (eqn on bits)
with prob $p = 1/2 + \epsilon$

then need $1/\epsilon^2$ samples to break (Matsui, 2^{43} PT/CT pairs)

AES

"Advanced Encryption Standard" (U.S. govt)

Replaces DES

AES "contest" 1997-1999:

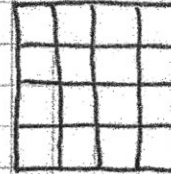
15 algorithms submitted: RC6, Mars, Twofish, Rijndael, ...
winner = Rijndael (by Joan Daemen & Vincent Rijmen, (Belgians))

Specs: 128-bit plaintext/ciphertext blocks
128, 192, or 256-bit key
10, 12, or 14 rounds (dep. on key length)

Byte-oriented design (some math done in Galois field $GF(2^8)$)

View input as 4x4 byte array:

$$4 \times 4 \times 8 = 128$$



For version with 128-bit keys, 10 rounds:

- Derive 11 "round keys", each 128 bits (4x4x byte)

- In each round:
 - ① XOR round key
 - ② Substitute bytes (lookup table)
 - ③ Rotate rows (by different amts)
 - ④ Mix each column (by linear opn)

- Output final state

See readings for details.

There are very fast implementations. Also Intel has put supporting hardware into its CPUs.

Security: Good; perhaps # rounds should be a bit larger..

For practical purposes, can treat AES as ideal block cipher:

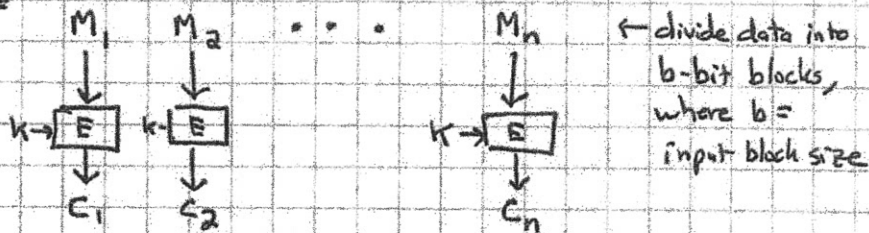
[For each key, mapping $Enc(K, \cdot)$ is a random independent permutation of $\{0,1\}^{128}$ to itself.

Modes of Operation:

How to encrypt variable-length messages? (using AES)

- "ECB" = "Electronic code book"
- "CTR" = "Counter mode"
- "CBC" = "Cipher-block chaining" (& CBC-MAC)
- "CFB" = "Cipher feedback"
- ...
- (others...)

ECB:



To handle data that is not a multiple of b bits in length:

- ↳ Append a "1" bit (always)
- ↳ Append enough "0" bits to make length a multiple of b bits.

This gives invertible (1-1) "padding" operation.

Pad before encryption; unpad after decryption.

ECB preserves many patterns: repeated message blocks
 ⇒ repeated ciphertext blocks

ECB really only good for encrypting random data
 (e.g. keys)