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### **Lab Assignment 3**

**AIM:** Block cipher modes of operation using Advanced Encryption Standard (AES).

**LO2:** Demonstrate key management, distribution and user authentication.

#### **THEORY:**

**Briefly explain AES algorithm (What type of cipher it is? number of rounds, keysize, block size, operations in each round)**

The Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) is a widely used symmetric encryption algorithm that falls under the category of block ciphers. It replaced the older Data Encryption Standard (DES) due to its stronger security features. AES operates on fixed-size blocks of data and is known for its efficiency and resistance against various types of attacks.

Type of Cipher: AES is a symmetric key block cipher, which means the same secret key is used for both encryption and decryption. It transforms plaintext blocks into ciphertext blocks using a series of complex operations.

Number of Rounds: AES operates with different numbers of rounds depending on the key size:

AES-128: 10 rounds

AES-192: 12 rounds

AES-256: 14 rounds

Key Size: AES supports key sizes of 128, 192, or 256 bits. The security and strength of the encryption increase with larger key sizes.

Block Size: AES operates on fixed-size blocks of 128 bits.

#### Operations in Each Round:

**SubBytes:** Non-linear substitution of each byte in the block using a predefined substitution table (S-box).

**ShiftRows:** Byte shifting within each row to provide diffusion in the data.

**MixColumns:** Mixing operation that transforms columns of data to provide diffusion across columns.

**AddRoundKey:** Each byte of the block is combined with the corresponding round key derived from the original encryption key.

These operations are applied repeatedly for the specified number of rounds, with each round using a different round key. The complex interaction of these operations ensures that even a small change in the plaintext results in a significantly different ciphertext, a property known as the avalanche effect. This contributes to the security and robustness of AES against various cryptographic attacks.

### With diagram explain in brief block cipher modes of operation

#### ECB mode

#### CBC mode

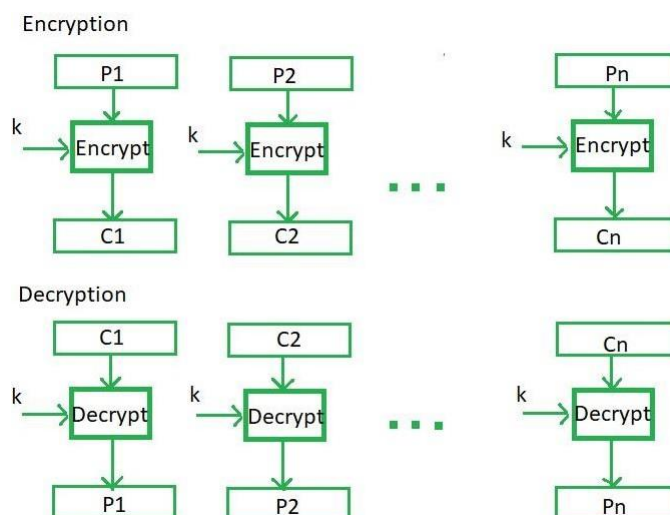
#### OFB mode

#### Counter mode

Block cipher modes of operation are techniques used to apply a block cipher, like AES, to encrypt or decrypt data that is larger than the block size of the cipher. These modes define how blocks of plaintext are transformed into ciphertext and vice versa. Here's a brief explanation of some common block cipher modes of operation:

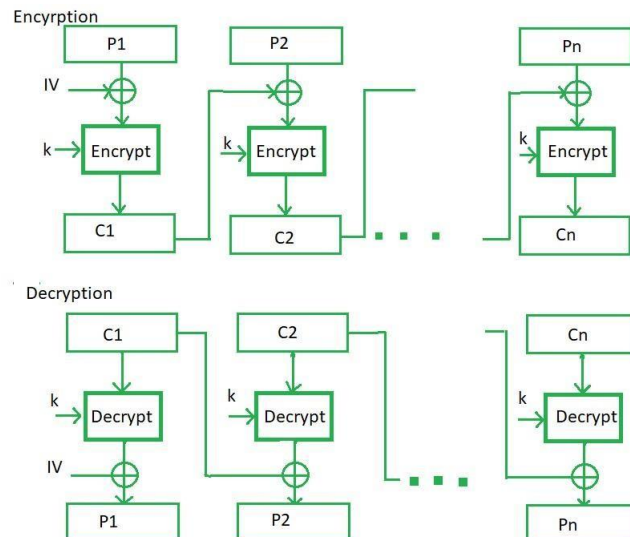
#### Electronic Codebook (ECB) Mode:

ECB mode is the simplest mode, where each block of plaintext is independently encrypted using the same encryption key. However, this mode has a significant limitation: identical plaintext blocks result in identical ciphertext blocks, making it vulnerable to certain attacks. ECB mode is not suitable for encrypting large amounts of data or data with patterns.



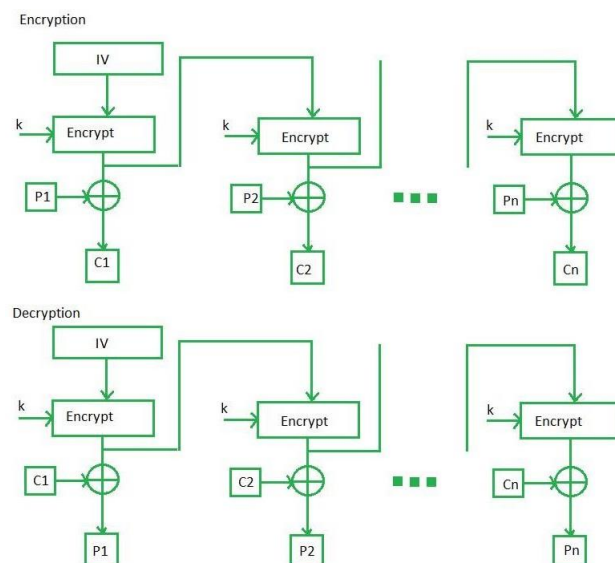
#### Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) Mode:

In CBC mode, each plaintext block is XORed with the previous ciphertext block before encryption. This introduces a form of feedback, where the ciphertext from the previous block affects the encryption of the current block. Initialization Vector (IV) is used to start the process. CBC mode prevents identical plaintext blocks from producing identical ciphertext blocks and provides a basic level of security. Decryption requires the previous ciphertext block to be available.



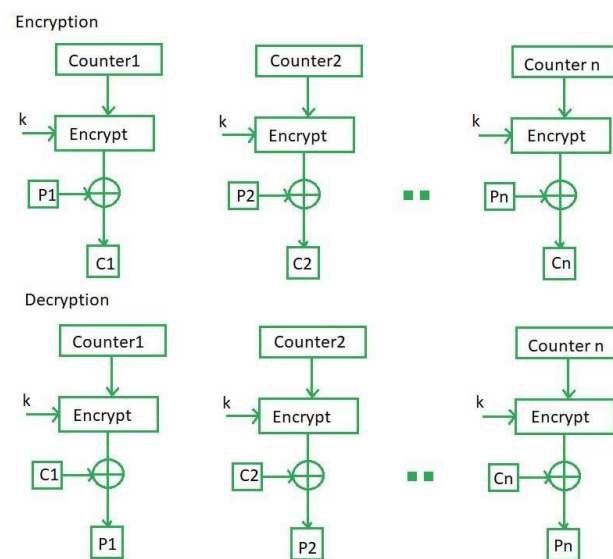
### Output Feedback (OFB) Mode:

OFB mode converts a block cipher into a stream cipher. It generates a keystream using the encryption of an IV and successive values (feedback) derived from the encryption of the previous block's ciphertext. The keystream is XORed with the plaintext to produce the ciphertext and vice versa. OFB mode does not require decryption in the encryption process and is suitable for applications where error propagation is a concern.



### Counter (CTR) Mode:

CTR mode also turns a block cipher into a stream cipher. It involves encrypting a counter value using the encryption key, and the resulting output is XORed with the plaintext to produce the ciphertext. The counter value is incremented for each block. CTR mode allows for parallel encryption and decryption, making it efficient for multi-core processors. It also offers excellent error propagation.



These modes provide different trade-offs between security, performance, and error propagation. It's important to choose the appropriate mode based on the specific requirements of your application. Additionally, some modes, like CBC and CTR, require the use of Initialization Vectors (IVs) to ensure uniqueness and security of the encryption process.

## OUTPUT

The screenshot displays the 'Virtual Labs' interface for 'AES and Modes of Operation'. The browser address bar shows the URL: `cse29-iiith.vlabs.ac.in/exp/aes/simulation.html`. The page title is 'AES and Modes of Operation'.

**Part I:** The 'Choose your mode of operation' dropdown is set to 'Output Feedback'.

**Part II:** The 'Key size in bits' is set to '128'.

**Part III:** The 'Calculate XOR' section shows the following values:

- Plaintext: 9e02b6c4 6dad8409 a3dc592c 5f49e9c9 5ae4a86a 65c15647 f2b74f22 47dab354 21e25393 4b0a087d 36f79572 f70e32b8 5ef9e96d dd4c2ed 7c941112 9c521b47 b1be277f 63340766 2818260b 135894a9
- IV: [Empty]
- CTR: [Empty]
- Next Plaintext: [Empty]
- Next IV: [Empty]
- Next CTR: [Empty]

**Part IV:** The 'Calculate XOR' section shows the following values:

- Key in hex: 9d8c0789 a9a3fede 99b87128 a85c7ee1
- Plaintext in hex: b1be277f 63340766 2818260b 135894a9
- Ciphertext in hex: 44b4ae8b c72b19ac 9f56206a aa0cbe4d
- Buttons: Encrypt, Decrypt, Clear

**Part V:** The 'Enter your answer here' section shows the following values:

- 41b6274c 14cc53f1 6f7a001 c5293182 f742b018 52d5ede3 4397270d 80c21
- Check Answer! button

**Output:** The output is 'CORRECT!!'.



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**AES and Modes of Operation**

Key size in bits: 128

c096db76 bc084d51 a0dc9fe9 b3e2f4b8  
5eed20d4 68029863 59b71c0c b06e91c1  
68c3a8f6 4a183dc8 d2b75f18 dc305e0f  
8c03d450 12880f54 03469256 ab884d88  
67c2648a e98d960b 7e0110ac e8e31045

Next Plaintext

Key: 9c9fe223 03d2fbc2 88c441e5 0b58ed7d

Next Keytext

Plaintext: e747d16b c355ccff c80ae504 06a3e645

IV: e747d16b c355ccff c80ae504 06a3e645

Next IV

**PART III**

Calculate XOR:

67c2648a e98d960b 7e0110ac e8e31045

728527d5 c5d3ef1e 14561029 310f1652

Calculate XOR

XOR: 1547435f 2c5e7915 6a570085 d9ec0617

**PART IV**

Key in hex: 9c9fe223 03d2fbc2 88c441e5 0b58ed7d

Plaintext in hex: 1547435f 2c5e7915 6a570085 d9ec0617

Ciphertext in hex: 85c0eed1 06502ed7 7b1e1877 9c441b3c

Encrypt Decrypt Clear

**PART V**

Enter your answer here:

e747d16b c355ccff c80ae504 06a3e645 1e3ad250 9e6d7584 99966612 5927

Check Answer!

CORRECT!!

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**AES and Modes of Operation**

Key size in bits: 128

809c1256 57bb822e 16793620 b1f6cb74  
f418da4f e126b410 82e74c6d d75cfb58  
b2826fe5 1713520e b1c3006f 9b7960cb  
cedde644 185e2905 5ff1e8a3 3454b701  
103b695d ac55a91a 5981ea82 d4681731

Next Plaintext

Next Keytext

Plaintext: f24d9cb5 e987b0d9 56d7d23e d043426e

CTR: f24d9cb5 e987b0d9 56d7d23e d043426e

Next CTR

**PART III**

Calculate XOR:

103b695d ac55a91a 5981ea82 d4681731

7db24f44 1a37f06d 31dfa2e5 5f989225

Calculate XOR

XOR: 6d892619 b6625977 685e4867 8bf08514

**PART IV**

Key in hex: 2967c5fd 926fa06d 9c87ab27 0890f660

Plaintext in hex: f24d9cb5 e987b0d9 56d7d23e d043426e

Ciphertext in hex: 7db24f44 1a37f06d 31dfa2e5 5f989225

Encrypt Decrypt Clear

**PART V**

Enter your answer here:

1702be19 0c1bf618 d5984470 688b4ef8 38dbfac8 d2f88197 91a38a96 3e6de

Check Answer!



The AES experiment offered a practical glimpse into the world of symmetric key cryptography. We explored AES's encryption processes, recognizing its efficiency and adaptability for secure data handling. By employing different modes of operation, such as ECB, CBC, OFB, and Counter, we comprehended the distinct trade-offs between security, performance, and error propagation.