

DES

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1. Background

The **DES** algorithm is known as the Data Encryption Algorithm (DEA). It is a bit-oriented and shared-key algorithm. They are based on 64 bits. In other words, each text—including plain text, encrypted text, and key—is split up into blocks, each of which is 64 bits. Although key should only be 8 bytes long, we could still obtain the key. The same key or password is used for both encryption and decryption. Encryption and decryption steps will be described briefly in the remaining paragraphs.

Since it uses a shared-key technique, both the encryption and decryption processes use the same secret key stages. 16 sub-keys will be computed for it. Every sub-key will be assigned to the appropriate wheel function.

On the one hand, encryption is composed of the initial permutation the wheel function with 16 times, as well as the inverse initial permutation. As I mentioned above, each wheel function receives a sub-key. It is important that the order of putting sub-key into the wheel function decide whether it is encryption or decryption.

The identical permutation and wheel functions are used for decryption instead, but the sub-keys are arranged in the opposite direction from how they were formed.

2. Requirements and features

Requirements:

1. User could enter freely regardless of length limitation of plain/cipher text or key.
2. User could use the friendly interface to select file from file system or type the plain text to encrypt/decrypt.
3. There are two independent components that show the encryption and decryption, respectively.
4. DES algorithm is implemented correctly.

Features: Above requirements are all achieved.

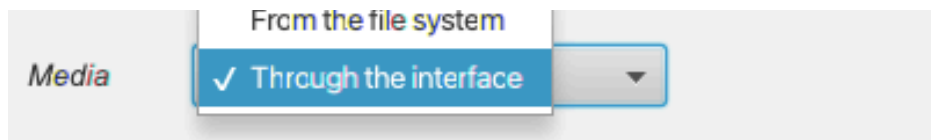
3. User instruction

Firstly, you run the *DesDecryptionApplication* and *DesDecryptionApplication* files to

open two components. These two components individually work by accepting the key and plain/cipher text or file.



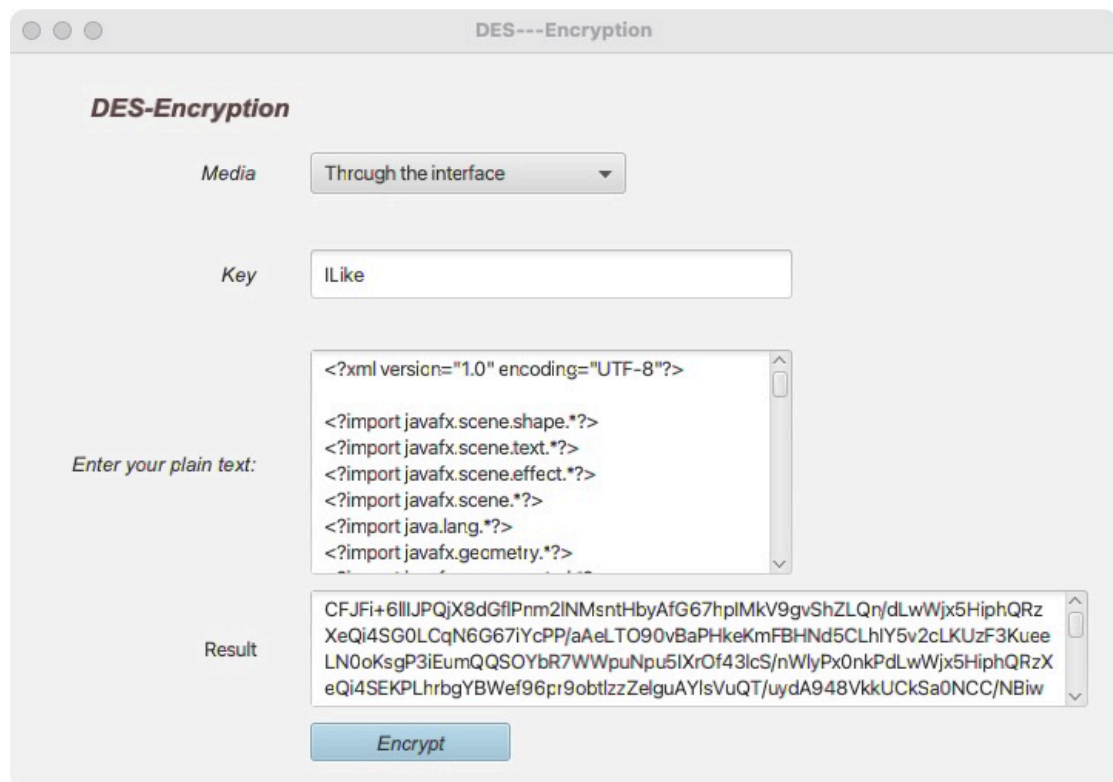
Next, you should choose which media (text or file) you would like to use DES algorithm.



a. Text encryption & decryption:

Encryption

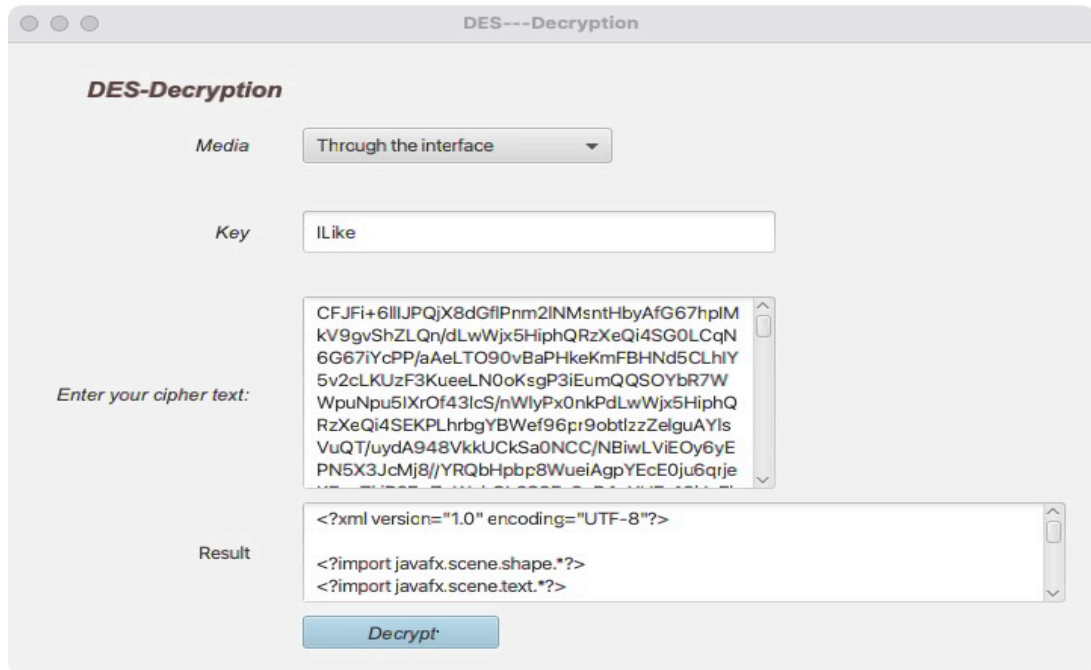
- Enter the key
- Enter the plain text you want to keep secret
- Click 'Encrypt' button.



- Then you get the Cipher text according to your key and plain text

Decryption

- Use the decryption component, type the key that you have used, and the cipher text you have just got.
- Click 'Decrypt' button

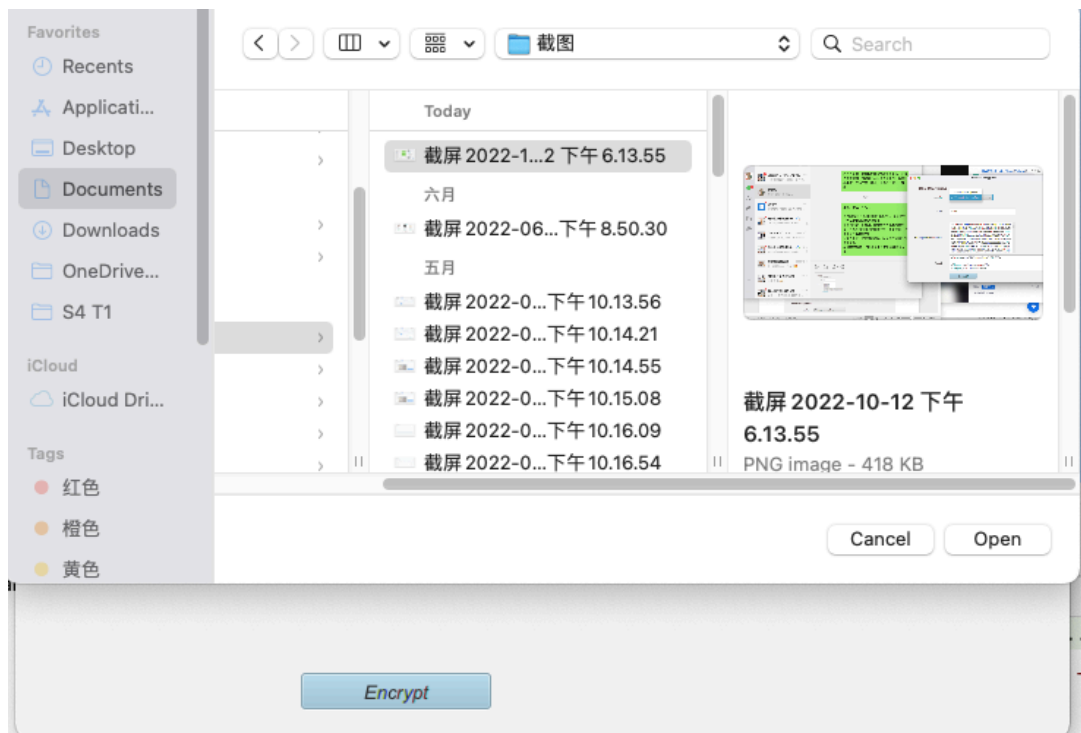


g) The origin text is returned as the result.

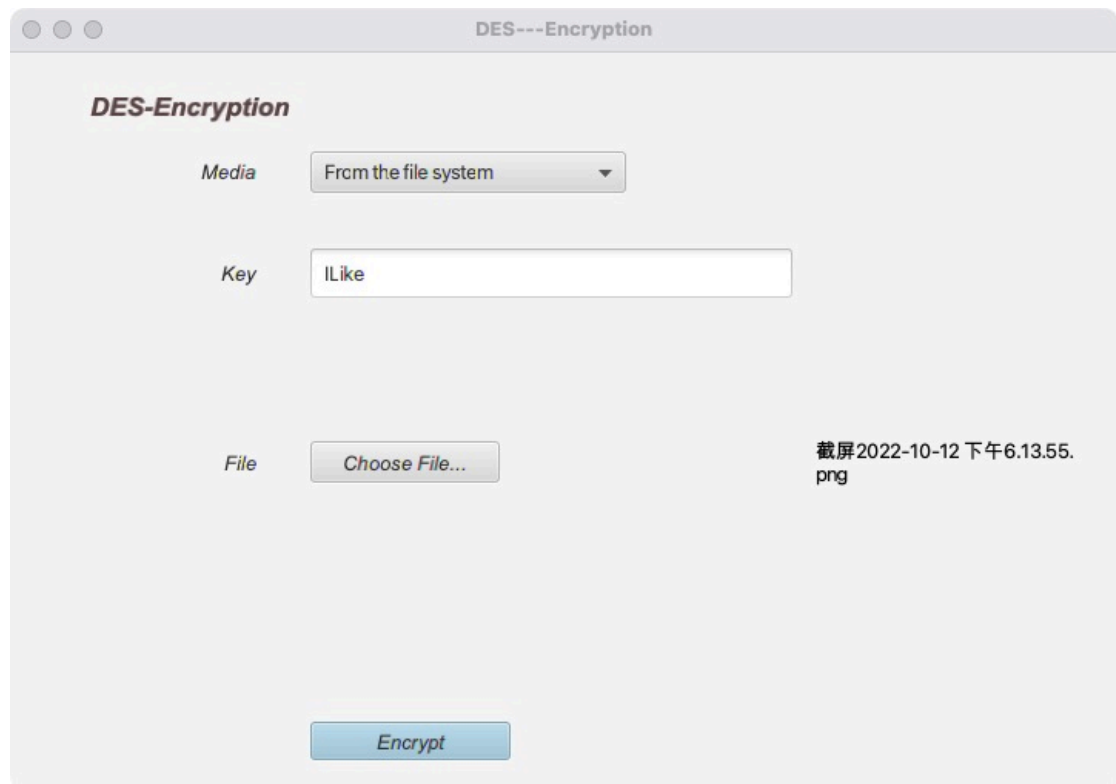
b. File encryption & decryption:

Encryption

- Enter the key
- Click 'Choose File...' button, and a window will ask you to select a file (all format is acceptable) you want to encrypt.



c) Click 'Open' button



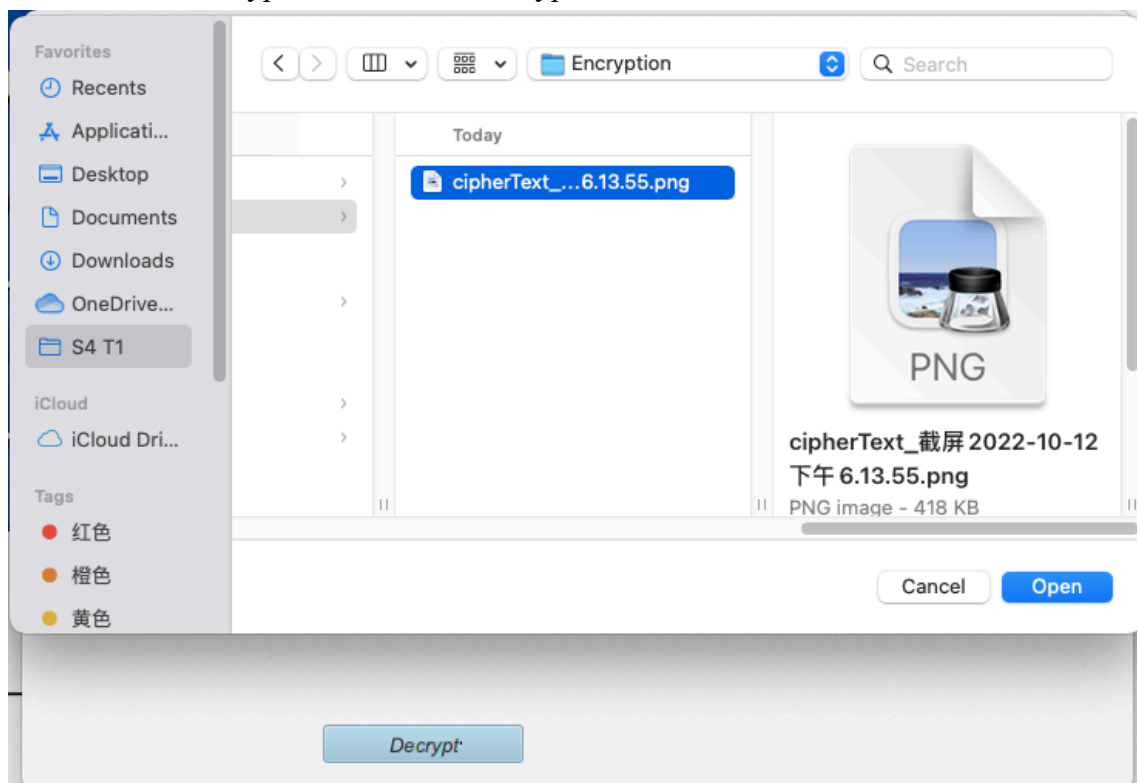
- d) It tells you which file you have chosen, and you could click 'Choose File...' and repeat above steps to re-select the file.
- e) Click 'Encrypt' button, and then the encryption will be successfully finished if the key has typed. The below picture tells you that the encrypted file with the prefix 'cipherText_' is stored in the 'Encryption' fold. The second one shows that.

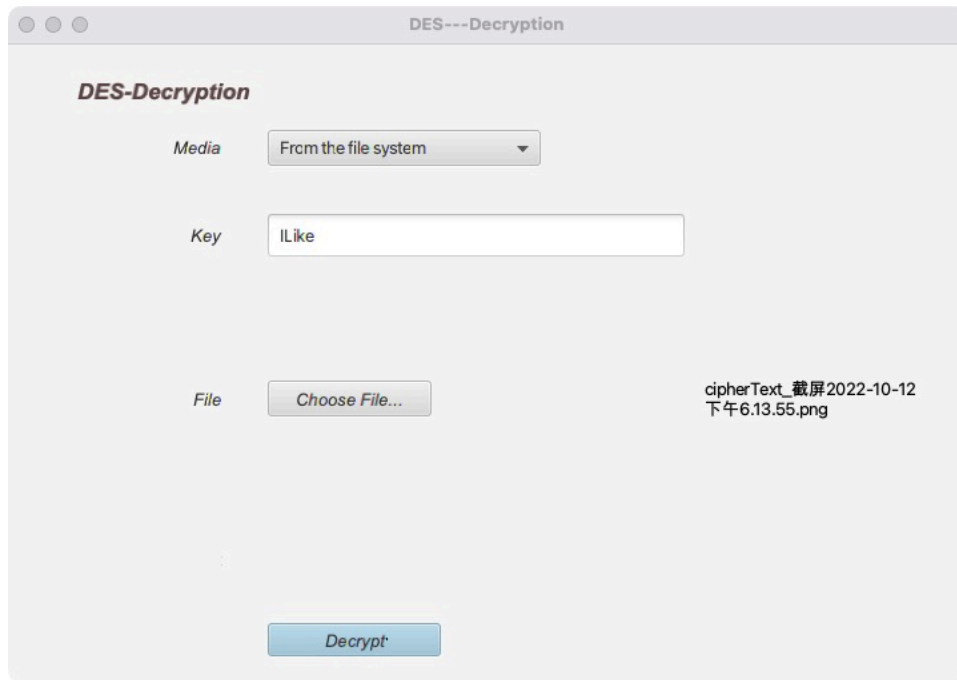




Decryption

- f) Use the decryption component, and repeat the above steps to enter the key and select the encrypted file on the 'Encryption' fold.





- g) Click 'Decrypt' button, and a window tells you the cipher file is decrypted successfully and stored under the 'Decryption' directory. Its filename is with the prefix 'plainText_'.

