



How to implement the DES algorithm in C++

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Data Encryption Standard (DES) (<https://www.educative.io/shoteditor/6142741706702848/preview>) is a block cipher algorithm that takes plain text in blocks of 64 bits and converts them to the ciphertext using 16 48-bit keys.

Implementation

1. Generating keys

The algorithm involves 16 rounds of encryption, with each round using a different key. Therefore, 16 keys are generated.

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1 // Including dependancies
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include <string>
4 using namespace std;
5 // Array to hold the 16 keys
6 string round_keys[16];
7 // Function to do a circular left shift by 1
8 string shift_left_once(string key_chunk){
9     string shifted="";
10     for(int i = 1; i < 28; i++){
11         shifted += key_chunk[i];
12     }
13     shifted += key_chunk[0];
14     return shifted;
15 }
16 // Function to do a circular left shift by 2
17 string shift_left_twice(string key_chunk){
18     string shifted="";
19     for(int i = 0; i < 2; i++){
20         for(int j = 1; j < 28; j++){
21             shifted += key_chunk[j];
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