

# Programming Assignment 2

## Implementation of AES in CBC mode and counter mode (CTR)

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In this project you will implement two encryption/decryption systems, one using AES in CBC mode and another using AES in counter mode (CTR). In both cases the 16-byte encryption IV is chosen at random and is prepended to the ciphertext.

For CBC encryption we use the PKCS5 padding scheme discussed in the lecture. While we ask that you implement both encryption and decryption, we will only test the decryption function. In the following questions you are given an AES key and a ciphertext (both are hex encoded ) and **your goal is to recover the plaintext**.

For an implementation of AES you may use an existing crypto library such as PyCrypto (Python), Crypto++ (C++), or any other. While it is fine to use the built-in AES functions, we ask that as a learning experience you implement CBC and CTR modes yourself.

### Question 1

- CBC key: 140b41b22a29beb4061bda66b6747e14
- CBC Ciphertext 1:

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1 | 4ca00ff4c898d61e1edbf1800618fb2828a226d160dad07883d04e008a7897ee2e4b7465d5
```

- What is the plaintext?

### Question 2

- CBC key: 140b41b22a29beb4061bda66b6747e14
- CBC Ciphertext 2:

```
1 | 5b68629feb8606f9a6667670b75b38a5b4832d0f26e1ab7da33249de7d4afc48e713ac646a
```

- What is the plaintext?

### Question 3

- CTR key: `36f18357be4dbd77f050515c73fcf9f2`
- CTR Ciphertext 1:

1 | 69dda8455c7dd4254bf353b773304eec0ec7702330098ce7f7520d1cbbb20fc388d1b0adb5

### Question 4

- CTR key: `36f18357be4dbd77f050515c73fcf9f2`
- CTR Ciphertext 2:

1 | 770b80259ec33beb2561358a9f2dc617e46218c0a53beca695ae45faa8952aa0e311bde9c

- What is plaintext?

## Submission

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Submit **two files only**:

1. **Source code** — your decryption program.
2. **README** — explaining how to build, run, and decrypt.

### README must include

- How to compile/run (commands, environment)
- Libraries used
- How the decryption works (logic/steps)
- **All recovered plaintexts**

### Grading (100 pts)

Item	Points
<b>Plaintexts</b>	<b>55</b>
How decryption works	20
Compile/run + libraries	10
Source code quality	15

