



COMP9337 21T1

LAB 1 – BASIC CRYPTOGRAPHY

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Code

```
from Crypto.Cipher import DES
from Crypto import Random
from binascii import unhexlify
import sys
import time

def is_hex(s):
    try:
        int(s, 16)
        return True
    except ValueError:
        return False

# Get and check iv and cbc
iv = sys.argv[1]
cbc_key = sys.argv[2]

if not is_hex(iv):
    print("Error: IV is not in hexadecimal string")
    sys.exit()

if not is_hex(cbc_key):
    print("Error: Key is not in hexadecimal string")
    sys.exit()

# Convert hex to binary
cbc_key = unhexlify(sys.argv[2])
print('='*100)
print('Key used: ', [x for x in cbc_key])

iv = unhexlify(sys.argv[1])
print("IV used: ", [x for x in iv])
print('='*100)

# Open file
try:
    file_name = sys.argv[3]
    f = open(file_name, 'rb')
    plain_text = f.read()
except:
    sys.exit()

# Padding
while len(plain_text) != 0:
    plain_text = plain_text.__add__(b'\x00')
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Encrypt

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start_time1 = time.time()
des1 = DES.new(cbc_key, DES.MODE_CBC, iv)
cipher_text = des1.encrypt(plain_text)
encrypt_time = time.time() - start_time1
#print("Ciphertext is: ",cipher_text)
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Write to output file

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with open(sys.argv[4], 'wb') as f:
    f.write(cipher_text)
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Decrypt

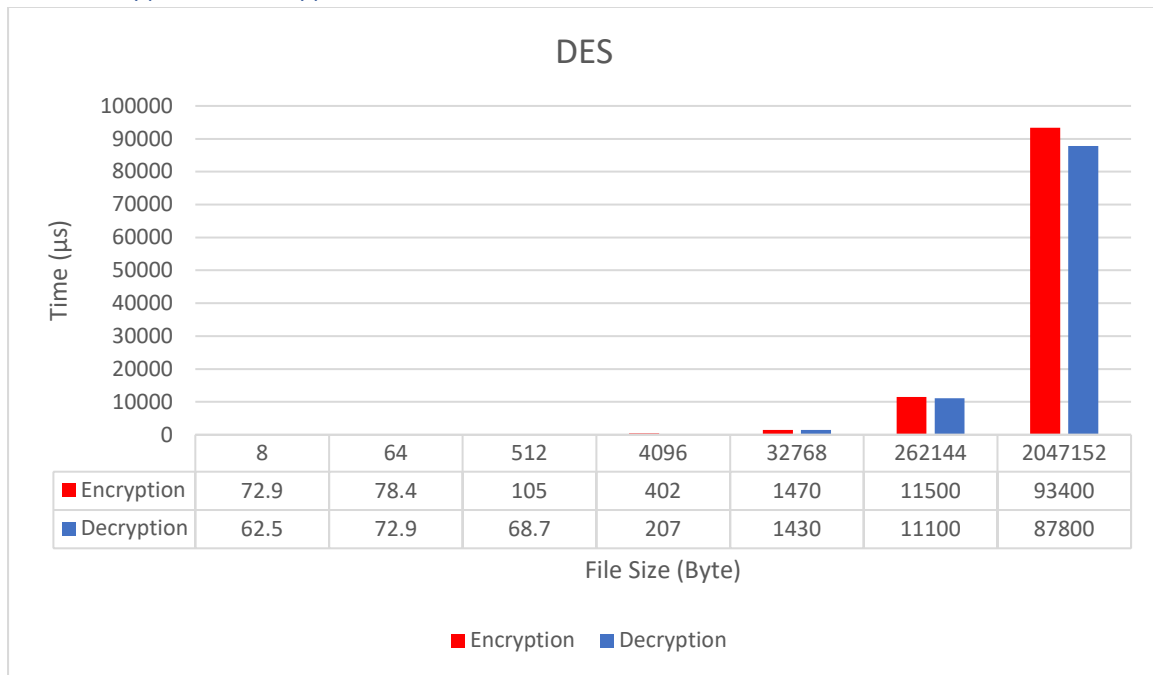
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start_time2 = time.time()
des2 = DES.new(cbc_key, DES.MODE_CBC, iv)
msg = des2.decrypt(cipher_text)
decrypt_time = time.time() - start_time2
#print("Original Message", msg)
#print('='*100)
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print("Encryption time is: ", encrypt_time)
print("Decryption time is: ", decrypt_time)
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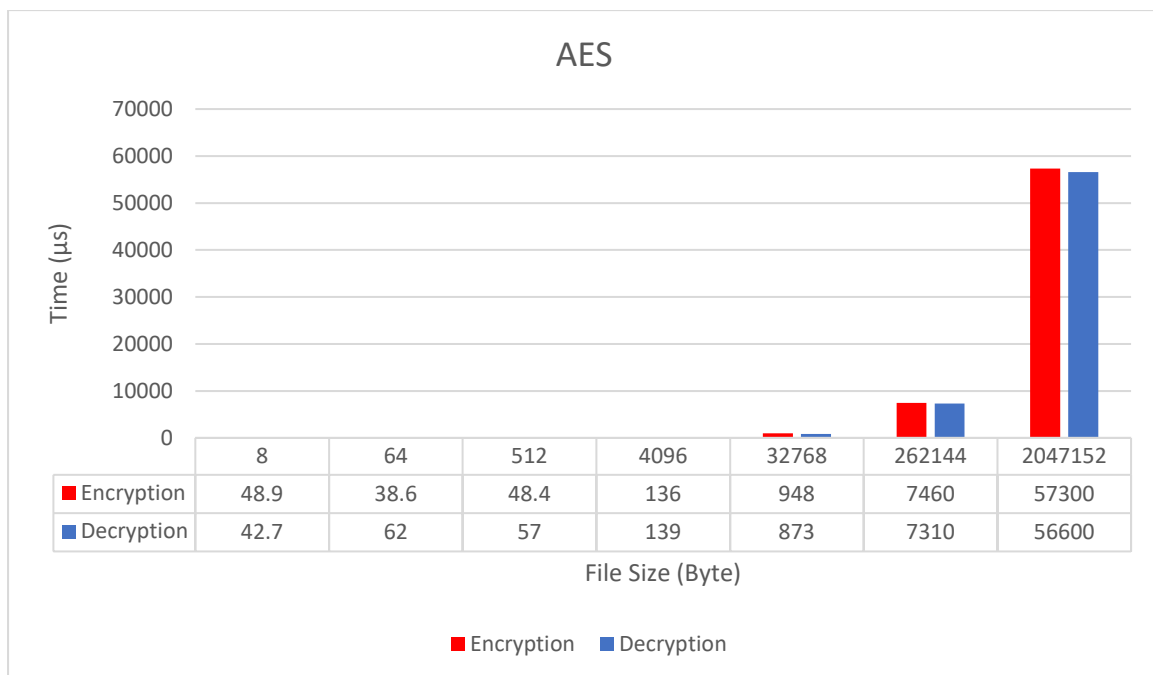
Graph

In graphs, red means encryption and blue means decryption

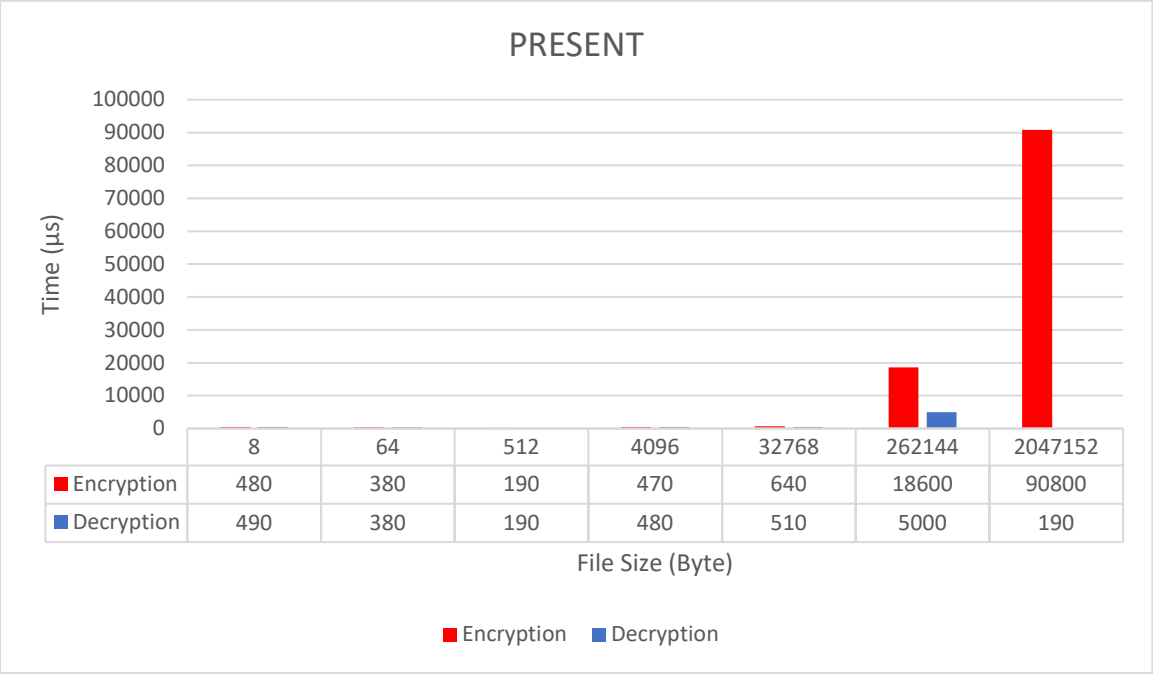
DES Encryption/Decryption Time



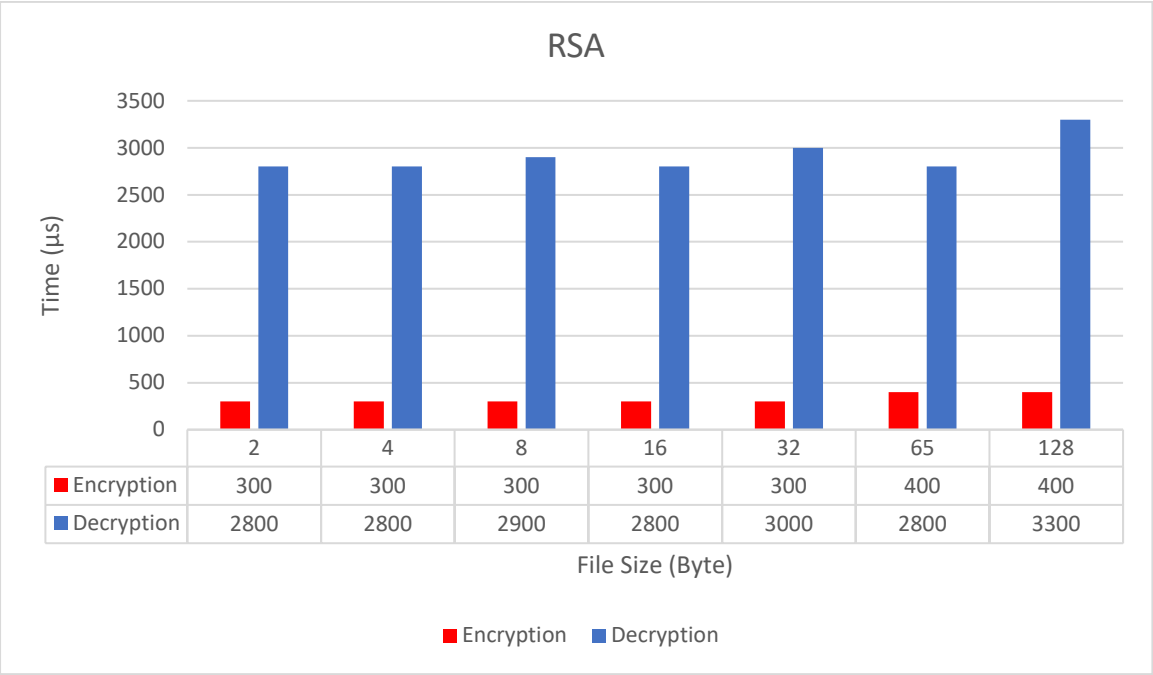
AES



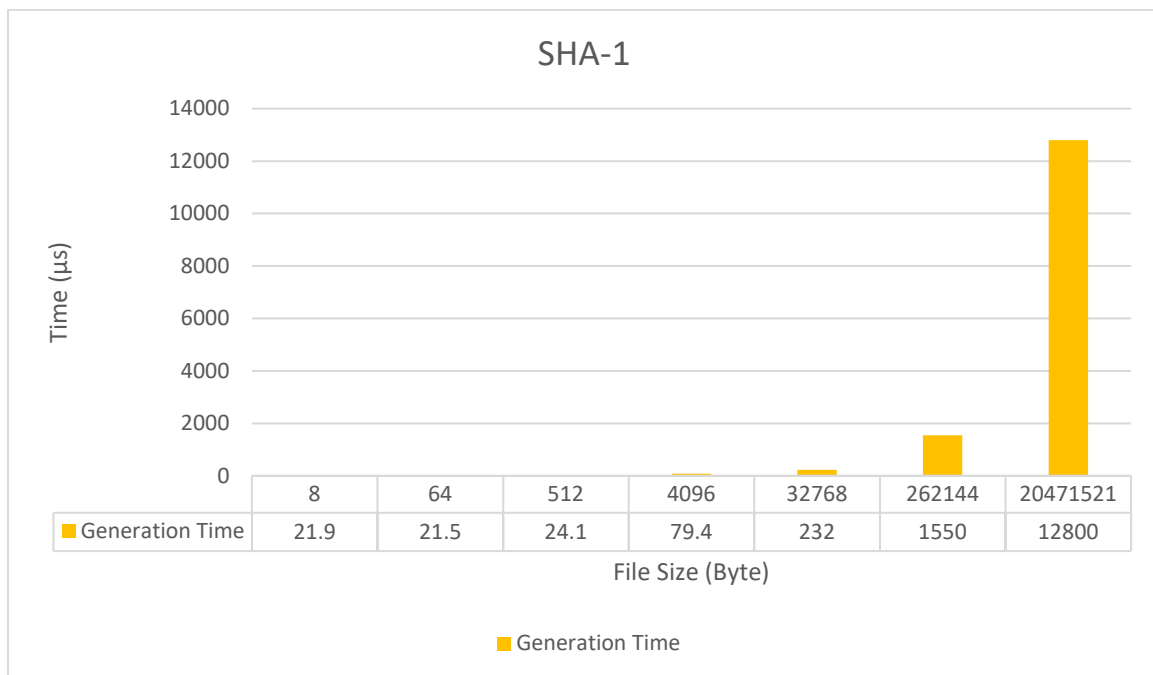
PRESENT



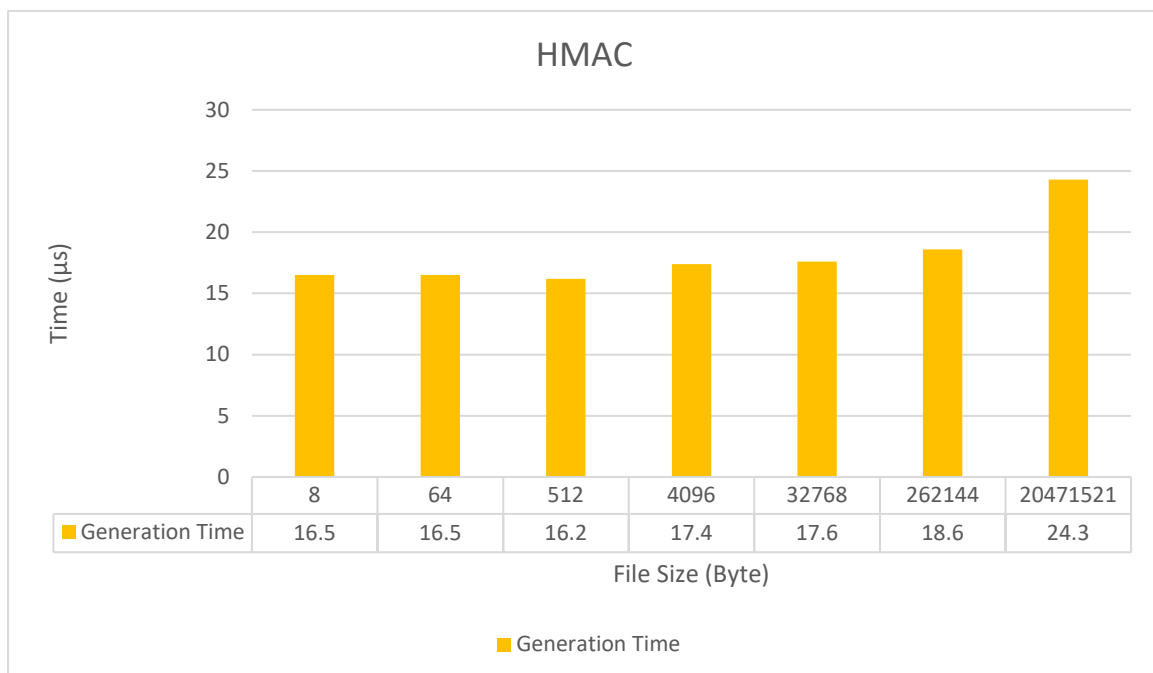
RSA



SHA-1



HMAC



Observation

Compare DES and AES

From the figures, AES is more efficient than DES which is more evident in large file size. Although AES uses more key and block size than DES, AES data encryption is shown to be more mathematically efficient and more secure algorithm compared to DES. And those facts are shown in the last 2 examples where there is a noticeable gap in both encryption and decryption time between DES and AES.

Compare DES encryption and PRESENT encryption

From the figures, there are different growth rate between both algorithms in encryption. In very small files, DES is shown to be more efficient than PRESENT. However, in medium and large file size, there are similar performance result between those 2 algorithms. In fact, PRESENT algorithm is more efficient at encrypting files of size 32768 and 2047152 bytes.

Compare DES and RSA

From the figures, DES is more efficient than RSA in encryption efficiency for small files. A possible reason could be the long key of RSA algorithm which means the encryption file is very large and slow. However, for very large file, RSA time to encrypt remains consistent at 400 milliseconds while DES struggles mightily.

For decryption, it is the same case. In small files, DES is more efficient than RSA due to the long key from RSA algorithm. However, RSA time remains consistent throughout the whole files test while DES exponentially increases its time as the file size increases.

Compare DES and SHA-1

From the figures, SHA-1 is shown to be faster than DES in all file sizes. However, it should be noted that both algorithms are different as SHA-1 algorithm is used to apply data integrity while DES is used to encrypted plain text. As a result, it makes sense that SHA-1 algorithm has less consuming tasks and hence has a faster performance.

Compare HMAC and SHA-1

From the figures, HMAC has a higher efficiency than SHA-1. It should be noted that HMAC is based on MD5 which is shown to be more efficient than SHA-1.

Compare RSA encryption and decryption time

From the figures, RSA encryption is faster than decryption for all file sizes. This is because public key is a lot shorter in length than private key in RSA algorithm. Hence, it is quick to encrypt the text with a smaller public key while it's slower for decrypting as it involves big numbers due to larger private key, heavily reducing the efficiency of decryption.