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*"Simplified Advanced Encryption Standard"*

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## 1 Aim

Write a program using JAVA or Python or C++ to implement S-AES symmetric key algorithm.

## 2 Objectives

To understand the concepts of block cipher and symmetric key cryptographic system.

## 3 Theory

### 3.1 What is Simplified AES?

S-AES is to AES as S-DES is to DES. In fact, the structure of S-AES is exactly the same as AES. The differences are in the key size (16 bits), the block size (16 bits) and the number of rounds (2 rounds).

The Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) is a widely-used symmetric-key encryption algorithm that is used to encrypt and decrypt data. The simplified AES algorithm is a simplified version of the AES algorithm that is often used as a teaching tool to help people understand how AES works.

The simplified AES algorithm operates on a 4x4 matrix of bytes called a "state." The algorithm consists of several rounds, each of which performs a series of operations on the state. The number of rounds depends on the key size: 10 rounds for a 128-bit key, 12 rounds for a 192-bit key, and 14 rounds for a 256-bit key.

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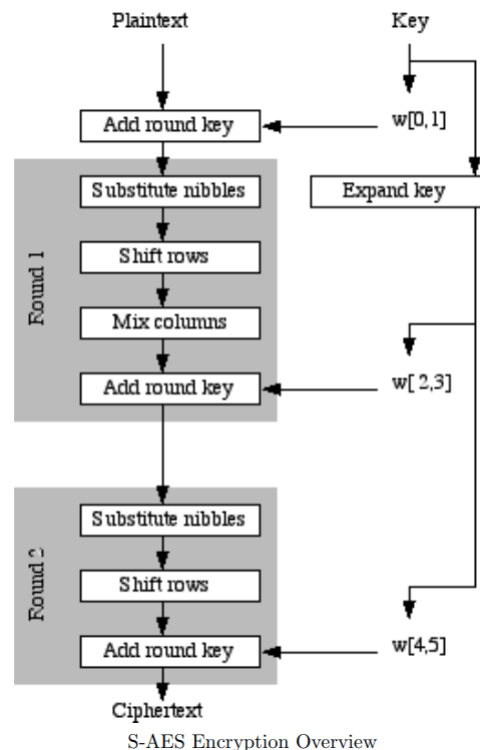


Figure 1:

### 3.2 Key Expansion

The key expansion function is the same as AES. The key is expanded to 32 bits and then split into two 16-bit keys. The first key is used in the first round and the second key is used in the second round.

### 3.3 Constants

### 3.4 Substitution

In this step, each byte in the state is replaced by another byte using a substitution table called the S-box. The S-box is a fixed table that maps each possible byte value to another byte value. The byte value is used to look up a corresponding value in the S-box. The substitution is done in a byte-wise manner.

### 3.5 Shift Rows

Here are the steps of one round of the simplified AES algorithm:

1. SubBytes: In this step, each byte in the state is replaced by another byte using a substitution table called the S-box.
2. ShiftRows: In this step, the bytes in each row of the state are shifted to the left. The first row is not shifted, the second row is shifted by one byte to the left, the third row is shifted by two bytes to the left, and the fourth row is shifted by three bytes to the left.
3. MixColumns: In this step, each column of the state is multiplied by a fixed matrix. This is a bit more complex than the other steps, but it essentially "mixes" the bytes in each column.
4. AddRoundKey: In this step, each byte in the state is XORed with a byte from the key schedule. The key schedule is derived from the original key using a key expansion algorithm.

## 4 Platform

**Operating System:** Arch Linux x86-64

**IDEs or Text Editors Used:** Visual Studio Code

**Compilers or Interpreters :** Python 3.10.1

## 5 Input and Output

Enter Text to be encrypted via S-AES: AES is much better than DES

Enter 4 digit Key to be used for encryption: 9087

Your Cipher Text is:

HéWöëd,<sub>2</sub>1KùĐ´~#EGă’

The decrypted plain text is: AES is much better than DES

## 6 Code

```
1 binary_to_decimal = {(0, 0): 0, (0, 1): 1, (1, 0): 2, (1, 1): 3}
2
3 s_box = [
4     [0x9, 0x4, 0xA, 0xB],
5     [0xD, 0x1, 0x8, 0x5],
6     [0x6, 0x2, 0x0, 0x3],
7     [0xC, 0xE, 0xF, 0x7],
8 ]
9
10 inv_s_box = [
11     [0xA, 0x5, 0x9, 0xB],
12     [0x1, 0x7, 0x8, 0xF],
13     [0x6, 0x0, 0x2, 0x3],
14     [0xC, 0x4, 0xD, 0xE],
15 ]
16
17 R_CON = [
18     [1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
19     [0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0],
20     [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0],
21     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1],
22 ]
23
24 MIX_COLUMN_TABLE = {
25     1: [0x0, 0x1, 0x2, 0x3, 0x4, 0x5, 0x6, 0x7, 0x8, 0x9, 0xA, 0xB, 0xC, 0xD, 0xE,
26         0xF],
27     2: [0x0, 0x2, 0x4, 0x6, 0x8, 0xA, 0xC, 0xE, 0x3, 0x1, 0x7, 0x5, 0xB, 0x9, 0xF,
28         0xD],
29     4: [0x0, 0x4, 0x8, 0xC, 0x3, 0x7, 0xB, 0xF, 0x6, 0x2, 0xE, 0xA, 0x5, 0x1, 0xD,
30         0x9],
31     9: [0x0, 0x9, 0x1, 0x8, 0x2, 0xB, 0x3, 0xA, 0x4, 0xD, 0x5, 0xC, 0x6, 0xF, 0x7,
32         0xE],
33 }
34
35 MIX_COLUMN_MATRIX = [[1, 4], [4, 1]]
36 MIX_COLUMN_MATRIX_DECRYPT = [[9, 2], [2, 9]]
37
38 def ceaser_cipher(plain_text, key):
39     """Function to encrypt plain text using Ceaser Cipher.
40
41     Args:
42         plain_text (string): plain text to be encrypted.
43         key (int): key to be used for encryption.
44     """
45
46     def get_ascii(some_char):
47         if some_char.islower():
48             return ord(some_char) - 97
49         elif some_char.isupper():
50             return ord(some_char) - 65
51         else:
52             return -1
53
54     cipher_letter = ""
55     cipher = []
```

```
53
54     for i in plain_text:
55         if i == " " or not i.isalpha():
56             cipher.append(i)
57             continue
58         if i.islower():
59             cipher_letter = chr(((get_ascii(i) + key) % 26) + 97).upper()
60         else:
61             cipher_letter = chr(((get_ascii(i) + key) % 26) + 65).lower()
62
63         cipher.append(cipher_letter)
64     return cipher
65
66
67 def decrypt_ceaser_cipher(cipher_text, ceaser_key):
68     """Function to decrypt cipher text using Ceaser Cipher.
69
70     Args:
71         cipher_text (string): cipher text to be decrypted.
72         ceaser_key (int): key to be used for decryption.
73     """
74
75     def get_ascii(some_char):
76         if some_char.islower():
77             return ord(some_char) - 97
78         elif some_char.isupper():
79             return ord(some_char) - 65
80         else:
81             return -1
82
83     plain_letter = ""
84     plain_text = []
85
86     for i in cipher_text:
87         if i == " " or not i.isalpha():
88             plain_text.append(i)
89             continue
90         if i.islower():
91             plain_letter = chr(((get_ascii(i) - ceaser_key) % 26) + 97).upper()
92         else:
93             plain_letter = chr(((get_ascii(i) - ceaser_key) % 26) + 65).lower()
94
95         plain_text.append(plain_letter)
96     return "".join(plain_text)
97
98
99 def decimal_to_binary(ip_val, reqBits):
100     """Function to convert decimal to binary. Returns a list that has integers 0
101     and 1 represented in binary.
102
103     Args:
104         ip_val (_type_): input_value in decimal.
105         reqBits (_type_): required number of bits in the output. 4, 8, etc.
106     """
107
108     def decimalToBinary_rec(ip_val, list):
109         if ip_val >= 1:
110             # recursive function call
111             decimalToBinary_rec(ip_val // 2, list)
```

```
111         list.append(ip_val % 2)
112
113     list = []
114     decimalToBinary_rec(ip_val, list)
115     if len(list) < reqBits:
116         while len(list) < reqBits:
117             list.insert(0, 0)
118     if len(list) > reqBits:
119         list.pop(0)
120     return list
121
122
123 def nibble_substitution_encrypt(nibble):
124     """Performs and returns substitution of nibble using S-Box.
125
126     Args:
127         nibble (list of integers 0 and 1): nibble to be substituted.
128     """
129
130     s_box_row_num = binary_to_decimal.get((nibble[0], nibble[1]))
131     s_box_col_num = binary_to_decimal.get((nibble[2], nibble[3]))
132
133     nibble_after_s_box = s_box[s_box_row_num][s_box_col_num]
134     nibble_after_s_box = decimal_to_binary(nibble_after_s_box, 4)
135
136     return nibble_after_s_box
137
138
139 def nibble_substitution_decrypt(nibble):
140     """Performs and returns substitution of nibble using S-Box.
141
142     Args:
143         nibble (list of integers 0 and 1): nibble to be substituted.
144     """
145
146     s_box_row_num = binary_to_decimal.get((nibble[0], nibble[1]))
147     s_box_col_num = binary_to_decimal.get((nibble[2], nibble[3]))
148
149     nibble_after_s_box = inv_s_box[s_box_row_num][s_box_col_num]
150     nibble_after_s_box = decimal_to_binary(nibble_after_s_box, 4)
151
152     return nibble_after_s_box
153
154
155 def key_expansion_function_g(key_w, round_number):
156
157     # divide into 2 parts. N0, and N1
158     n_0 = key_w[:4]
159     n_1 = key_w[4:]
160
161     # Perform nibble substitution on N0 and N1
162     n_0_after_s_box = nibble_substitution_encrypt(n_0)
163     n_1_after_s_box = nibble_substitution_encrypt(n_1)
164
165     # XOR N0 and N1 with RCON
166     sub_nib = n_1_after_s_box + n_0_after_s_box
167
168     return [x ^ y for x, y in zip(sub_nib, R_CON[round_number])]
169
```

```
170
171 def make_keys(key):
172     """
173     key = 16 bits.
174     """
175     key_w0, key_w1, key_w2, key_w3, key_w4, key_w5 = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)
176
177     # divide the key into 2 parts. key_w0 and key_w1
178     key_w0 = key[:8]
179     key_w1 = key[8:]
180
181     key_w1_after_g = key_expansion_function_g(key_w1, 0)
182
183     key_w2 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(key_w0, key_w1_after_g)]
184     key_w3 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(key_w1, key_w2)]
185
186     key_w3_after_g = key_expansion_function_g(key_w3, 1)
187
188     key_w4 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(key_w2, key_w3_after_g)]
189     key_w5 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(key_w3, key_w4)]
190
191     return key_w0 + key_w1, key_w2 + key_w3, key_w4 + key_w5
192
193
194 def col_matrix_table_lookup(x, y):
195     """Returns the result of multiplication of x and y in GF(2^8) using
196     MIX_COLUMN_TABLE.
197
198     Args:
199         x (int): first number to be multiplied.
200         y (int): second number to be multiplied.
201     """
202     answer = MIX_COLUMN_TABLE.get(y)[x]
203     return decimal_to_binary(int(answer), 4)
204
205 def mix_columns(s_matrix, mix_column_matrix):
206     # returns a 16 bit answer.
207     result_matrix = [
208         [[0, 0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0, 0]],
209         [[0, 0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0, 0]],
210     ]
211     # clearly, multiplication by another 2d matrix while seemingly easy, doesnt
212     # work for some reason.
213     # So we will take advantage of the fact that this is a SIMPLIFIED AES cipher,
214     # and do it manually.
215
216     # multiply 2 dimensional matrices
217
218     # for k in range(len(mix_column_matrix)):
219     #     for i in range(len(mix_column_matrix[0])):
220     #         for j in range(len(mix_column_matrix[0])):
221     #             table_lookup = col_matrix_table_lookup(
222     #                 int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[k][j]]), base=2),
223     #                 mix_column_matrix[i][k],
224     #             )
225     #             result_matrix[i][j] = [
226     #                 x ^ y for x, y in zip(result_matrix[i][j], table_lookup)
227     #             ]
```



```
226 # 1st row, 1st column
227 # table_lookup(value, mat[0][0]) ^ table_lookup(s[0][1], mat[1][0])
228 table_lookup_left = col_matrix_table_lookup(
229     int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[0][0]]), base=2),
230     mix_column_matrix[0][0],
231 )
232 table_lookup_right = col_matrix_table_lookup(
233     int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[1][0]]), base=2),
234     mix_column_matrix[0][1],
235 )
236 result_matrix[0][0] = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(table_lookup_left,
table_lookup_right)]
237
238 # 1st row, 1st column
239 # table_lookup(value, mat[0][0]) ^ table_lookup(s[0][1], mat[1][0])
240 table_lookup_left = col_matrix_table_lookup(
241     int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[0][1]]), base=2),
242     mix_column_matrix[0][0],
243 )
244 table_lookup_right = col_matrix_table_lookup(
245     int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[1][1]]), base=2),
246     mix_column_matrix[0][1],
247 )
248 result_matrix[0][1] = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(table_lookup_left,
table_lookup_right)]
249
250 # 1st row, 1st column
251 # table_lookup(value, mat[0][0]) ^ table_lookup(s[0][1], mat[1][0])
252 table_lookup_left = col_matrix_table_lookup(
253     int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[0][0]]), base=2),
254     mix_column_matrix[1][0],
255 )
256 table_lookup_right = col_matrix_table_lookup(
257     int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[1][0]]), base=2),
258     mix_column_matrix[1][1],
259 )
260 result_matrix[1][0] = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(table_lookup_left,
table_lookup_right)]
261
262 # 1st row, 1st column
263 # table_lookup(value, mat[0][0]) ^ table_lookup(s[0][1], mat[1][0])
264 table_lookup_left = col_matrix_table_lookup(
265     int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[0][1]]), base=2),
266     mix_column_matrix[1][0],
267 )
268 table_lookup_right = col_matrix_table_lookup(
269     int("".join([str(i) for i in s_matrix[1][1]]), base=2),
270     mix_column_matrix[1][1],
271 )
272 result_matrix[1][1] = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(table_lookup_left,
table_lookup_right)]
273
274 return (
275     result_matrix[0][0]
276     + result_matrix[1][0] # no idea why im shifting this and the next line
277     + result_matrix[0][1]
278     + result_matrix[1][1]
279 )
280
```

```
281
282 def encrypt_SAES_cipher(plain_text, key):
283
284     key_0, key_1, key_2 = make_keys(key)
285     # round 0 - Only Add round key
286     round_0 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(plain_text, key_0)]
287
288     # STARTING ROUND 1
289
290     # Making nibbles
291     s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3 = (round_0[:4], round_0[4:8], round_0[8:12], round_0[12:])
292     s_0_after_sub = nibble_substitution_encrypt(s_0)
293     s_1_after_sub = nibble_substitution_encrypt(s_1)
294     s_2_after_sub = nibble_substitution_encrypt(s_2)
295     s_3_after_sub = nibble_substitution_encrypt(s_3)
296
297     # Shifting Rows, exchanging s1 ands s3
298     s_1_after_sub, s_3_after_sub = s_3_after_sub, s_1_after_sub
299
300     # Mixing Columns
301     s_matrix = [[s_0_after_sub, s_2_after_sub], [s_1_after_sub, s_3_after_sub]]
302
303     mix_col_result = mix_columns(s_matrix, MIX_COLUMN_MATRIX)
304     round_1 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(mix_col_result, key_1)]
305
306     # STARTING ROUND 2
307     s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3 = (round_1[:4], round_1[4:8], round_1[8:12], round_1[12:])
308     s_0_after_sub = nibble_substitution_encrypt(s_0)
309     s_1_after_sub = nibble_substitution_encrypt(s_1)
310     s_2_after_sub = nibble_substitution_encrypt(s_2)
311     s_3_after_sub = nibble_substitution_encrypt(s_3)
312
313     # Shifting Rows, exchanging s1 ands s3
314     s_1_after_sub, s_3_after_sub = s_3_after_sub, s_1_after_sub
315
316     s_box = s_0_after_sub + s_1_after_sub + s_2_after_sub + s_3_after_sub
317
318     round_2 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(s_box, key_2)]
319
320     return round_2
321
322
323 def decrypt_SAES_cipher(cipher_text, key):
324
325     key_0, key_1, key_2 = make_keys(key)
326     # round 0 - Only Add round key
327     round_0 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(cipher_text, key_2)]
328
329     # STARTING ROUND 1
330
331     # Inverse nibbles substitution
332     s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3 = (round_0[:4], round_0[4:8], round_0[8:12], round_0[12:])
333     s_0_after_sub = nibble_substitution_decrypt(s_0)
334     s_1_after_sub = nibble_substitution_decrypt(s_1)
335     s_2_after_sub = nibble_substitution_decrypt(s_2)
336     s_3_after_sub = nibble_substitution_decrypt(s_3)
337
338     # Inverse Shifting Rows, exchanging s1 ands s3
339     s_1_after_sub, s_3_after_sub = s_3_after_sub, s_1_after_sub
```

```
340
341 nib_sub = s_0_after_sub + s_1_after_sub + s_2_after_sub + s_3_after_sub
342
343 # Add Round key
344 round_1 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(nib_sub, key_1)]
345
346 s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3 = (round_1[:4], round_1[4:8], round_1[8:12], round_1[12:])
347
348 # Inverse Mixing Columns
349 s_matrix = [[s_0, s_2], [s_1, s_3]]
350
351 round_1 = mix_columns(s_matrix, MIX_COLUMN_MATRIX_DECRYPT)
352
353 # STARTING ROUND 2
354 # making nibbles
355 s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3 = (round_1[:4], round_1[4:8], round_1[8:12], round_1[12:])
356
357 # Inverse Shifting Rows, exchanging s1 and s3
358 s_1, s_3 = s_3, s_1
359
360 # Inverse nibbles substitution
361 s_0_after_sub = nibble_substitution_decrypt(s_0)
362 s_1_after_sub = nibble_substitution_decrypt(s_1)
363 s_2_after_sub = nibble_substitution_decrypt(s_2)
364 s_3_after_sub = nibble_substitution_decrypt(s_3)
365
366 s_box = s_0_after_sub + s_1_after_sub + s_2_after_sub + s_3_after_sub
367
368 round_2 = [x ^ y for x, y in zip(s_box, key_0)]
369
370 return round_2
371
372
373 def main():
374
375     plain_text = input("Enter Text to be encrypted via S-AES:")
376     key = input("Enter 4 digit Key to be used for encryption:")
377
378     # Make keys
379     ceaser_key = 0
380     for i in key[:2]:
381         ceaser_key += int(i)
382     key = [decimal_to_binary(int(i), 4) for i in key]
383     key = [j for i in key for j in i]
384
385     ceaser_ciphered_text = ceaser_cipher(plain_text, ceaser_key)
386
387     # make plain_text list of 16 bits
388     plain_text = [decimal_to_binary(ord(i), 8) for i in ceaser_ciphered_text]
389     plain_text = [j for i in plain_text for j in i]
390     plain_texts = [plain_text[i : i + 16] for i in range(0, len(plain_text), 16)]
391     for i in plain_texts:
392         if len(i) < 16:
393             i += [0 for i in range(16 - len(i))]
394
395     ciphers = []
396     for plain_text in plain_texts:
397         cipher_text = encrypt_SAES_cipher(plain_text, key)
398         ciphers.append(cipher_text)
```

```
399
400     final_cipher_text = ""
401
402     # decrypting
403     for cipher in ciphers:
404         cipher = [str(i) for i in cipher]
405         cipher = [
406             "".join(cipher[i : i + 8]) for i in range(0, len(cipher), 8)
407         ]
408         cipher = [chr(int(i, base=2)) for i in cipher if i != "00000000"]
409         cipher = "".join(cipher)
410         final_cipher_text += cipher
411
412     print("Your Cipher Text is: ", final_cipher_text)
413     final_decrypted_text = ""
414
415     # decrypting
416     for cipher in ciphers:
417         plain_text = decrypt_SAES_cipher(cipher, key)
418         plain_text = [str(i) for i in plain_text]
419         plain_text = [
420             "".join(plain_text[i : i + 8]) for i in range(0, len(plain_text), 8)
421         ]
422         plain_text = [chr(int(i, base=2)) for i in plain_text if i != "00000000"]
423         plain_text = "".join(plain_text)
424         final_decrypted_text += decrypt_ceaser_cipher(plain_text, ceaser_key)
425
426     print("The decrypted plain text is: ", final_decrypted_text)
427
428     # plain_text = [1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0]
429
430     # key = [0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1]
431
432     # print("The plain text is: ", plain_text)
433     # print("The key is: ", key)
434
435     # # till here we are good. now we need to encrypt the plain text.
436
437     # cipher_text = encrypt_SAES_cipher(plain_text, key)
438
439     # print("The cipher text is: ", cipher_text)
440
441     # # DECRYPTING
442     # plain_text = decrypt_SAES_cipher(cipher_text, key)
443     # print("The decrypted plain text is: ", plain_text)
444
445
446 main()
```

Listing 1: "Fiestal Cipher"

## 7 Conclusion

Thus, learnt about the different kinds of ciphers, classical cryptographic techniques, and how to implement some of them in python.

## **8 FAQ**

### **1. Differentiate between DES and AES.**

#### **AES:**

- (a) AES stands for advanced encryption standard.
- (b) The key length can be 128 bits, 192 bits, or 256 bits.
- (c) The rounds of operations per key length are as follows: 128 bits: 10 192 bits: 12 256 bits: 14
- (d) AES is based on a substitution and permutation network.
- (e) AES is considered the standard encryption algorithm in the world and is more secure than DES.
- (f) Key Addition, Mix Column, Byte Substitution, and Shift Row.
- (g) AES can encrypt plaintext of 128 bits.
- (h) AES was derived from the Square Cipher.
- (i) AES was designed by Vincent Rijmen and Joan Daemen.
- (j) There are no known attacks for AES.

#### **DES:**

- (a) DES stands for data encryption standard.
- (b) The key length is 56 bits.
- (c) There are 16 identical rounds of operations.
- (d) DES is based on the Feistel network.
- (e) DES is considered to be a weak encryption algorithm; triple DES is a more secure encryption algorithm.
- (f) Substitution, XOR Operation, Permutation, and Expansion.
- (g) DES can encrypt plaintext of 64 bits.
- (h) DES was derived from the Lucifer Cipher.
- (i) DES was designed by IBM.
- (j) Brute force attacks, differential cryptanalysis, and linear cryptanalysis.

### **2. What are the different advantages and Limitations of AES?**

#### **Advantages:**

- (a) Following are the benefits or advantages of AES:
- (b) As it is implemented in both hardware and software, it is most robust security protocol.
- (c) It uses higher length key sizes such as 128, 192 and 256 bits for encryption. Hence it makes AES algorithm more robust against hacking.
- (d) It is most common security protocol used for wide various of applications such as wireless communication, financial transactions, e-business, encrypted data storage etc.
- (e) It is one of the most spread commercial and open source solutions used all over the world.

- (f) No one can hack your personal information.
- (g) For 128 bit, about  $2^{128}$  attempts are needed to break. This makes it very difficult to hack it as a result it is very safe protocol.

**Limitations:**

- (a) It uses too simple algebraic structure.
- (b) Every block is always encrypted in the same way.
- (c) Hard to implement with software.
- (d) AES in counter mode is complex to implement in software taking both performance and security into considerations.