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Make a Report on Different Types of Ciphers With Examples And Screenshots of the Implementation.

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What is Cryptography?

Cryptography is technique of securing information and communications through use of codes so that only those person for whom the information is intended can understand it and process it. Thus preventing unauthorized access to information. The prefix “crypt” means “hidden” and suffix graphy means “writing”. In Cryptography the techniques which are use to protect information are obtained from mathematical concepts and a set of rule based calculations known as algorithms to convert messages in ways that make it hard to decode it. These algorithms are used for cryptographic key generation, digital signing, verification to protect data privacy, web browsing on internet and to protect confidential transactions such as credit card and debit card transactions.

Techniques used For Cryptography: In today’s age of computers cryptography is often associated with the process where an ordinary plain text is converted to cipher text which is the text made such that intended receiver of the text can only decode it and hence this process is known as encryption. The process of conversion of cipher text to plain text this is known as decryption.

Features Of Cryptography are as follows:

1. **Confidentiality:** Information can only be accessed by the person for whom it is intended and no other person except him can access it.
2. **Integrity:** Information cannot be modified in storage or transition between sender and intended receiver without any addition to information being detected.

3. **Non-repudiation:** The creator/sender of information cannot deny his intention to send information at later stage.
4. **Authentication:** The identities of sender and receiver are confirmed. As well as destination/origin of information is confirmed.

Types Of Cryptography: In general there are three types Of cryptography:

1. **Symmetric Key Cryptography:** It is an encryption system where the sender and receiver of message use a single common key to encrypt and decrypt messages. Symmetric Key Systems are faster and simpler but the problem is that sender and receiver have to somehow exchange key in a secure manner. The most popular symmetric key cryptography system is Data Encryption System(DES).
2. **Hash Functions:** There is no usage of any key in this algorithm. A hash value with fixed length is calculated as per the plain text which makes it impossible for contents of plain text to be recovered. Many operating systems use hash functions to encrypt passwords.
3. **Asymmetric Key Cryptography:** Under this system a pair of keys is used to encrypt and decrypt information. A public key is used for encryption and a private key is used for decryption. Public key and Private Key are different. Even if the public key is known by everyone the intended receiver can only decode it because he alone knows the private key.

What is Cipher Text?

Ciphertext is encrypted text transformed from plaintext using an encryption algorithm. Ciphertext can't be read until it has been converted into plaintext (decrypted) with a key. The decryption cipher is an algorithm that transforms the ciphertext back into plaintext.

- **Uses of ciphertext**

Symmetric ciphers, which are typically used to secure online communications, are incorporated into many different network protocols to be used to encrypt exchanges. For example, Transport Layer Security uses ciphers to encrypt application layer data.

Virtual private networks connecting remote workers or remote branches into corporate networks use protocols with symmetric ciphers to protect data communications. Symmetric ciphers protect data privacy in most Wi-Fi networks, online banking, e-commerce services and mobile telephony.

Other protocols, including secure shell, OpenPGP and Secure/Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions use asymmetric cryptography to encrypt and authenticate endpoints but also to securely exchange the symmetric keys to encrypt session data. For performance reasons, protocols often rely on ciphers to encrypt session data.

Different Types Of Cipher Text

1-SUBSTITUTION CIPHER

Replace bits, characters, or character blocks in plaintext with alternate bits, characters or character blocks to produce ciphertext. A substitution cipher may
be monoalphabetic or polyalphabetic*:*

- A single alphabet is used to encrypt the entire plaintext message. For example, if the letter A is enciphered as the letter K, this will be the same for the entire message.
- A more complex substitution using a mixed alphabet to encrypt each bit, character or character block of a plaintext message. For instance, the letter A may be encoded as the letter K for part of the message, but later it might be encoded as the letter W.

2-TRANSPOSITION CIPHER

Unlike substitution ciphers that replace letters with other letters, transposition ciphers keep the letters the same, but rearrange their order according to a specific algorithm. For instance, in a simple columnar transposition cipher, a message might be read the ciphertext.

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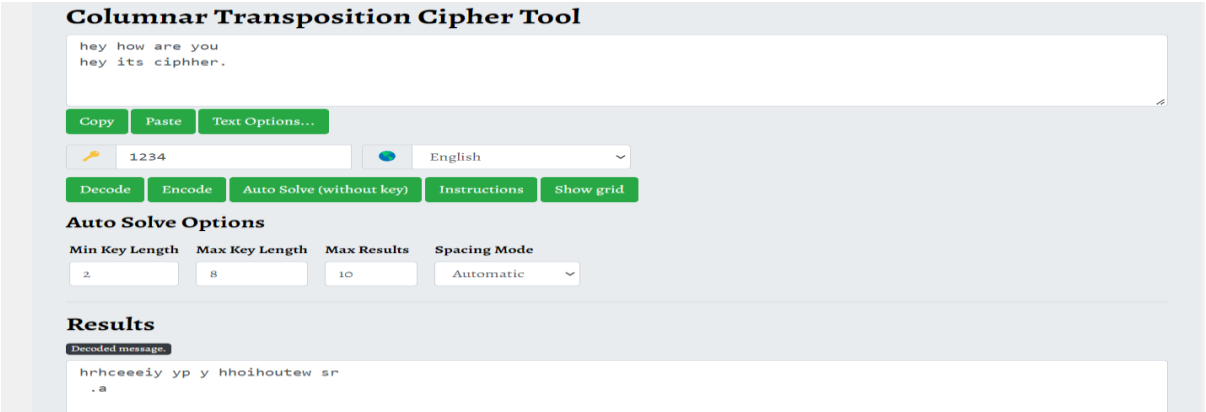

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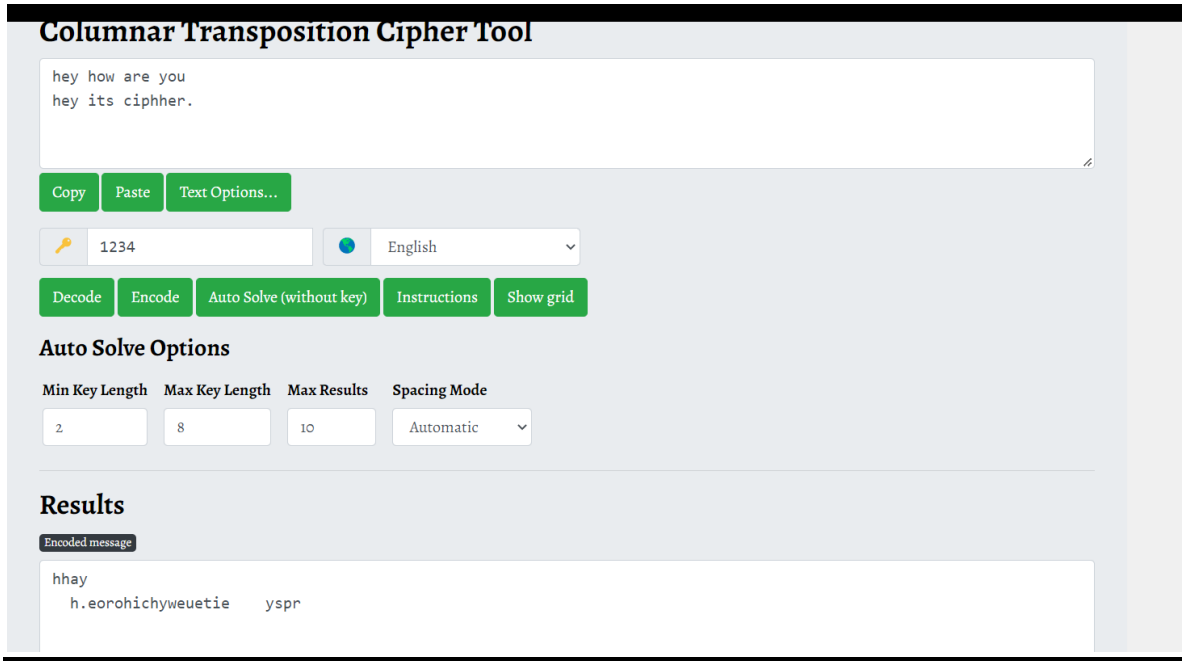


3-BLOCK CIPHER:- A **block cipher** is a ***symmetric cryptographic technique*** which we used to ***encrypt a fixed-size data block using a shared, secret key.*** During **encryption,** we used ***plaintext*** and **ciphertext** is the resultant encrypted text. It uses the same key to encrypt both the ***plaintext,*** and the ***ciphertext.*** A **block cipher** processes the data blocks of fixed size. Typically, a message's size exceeds a block's size. As a result, the lengthy message is broken up into a number of sequential message blocks, and the cipher operates on these blocks one at a time.

AES Encryption

AES is a block cipher.
The key size can be 128/192/256 bits.Encrypts data in blocks of 128 bits each. That means it takes 128 bits as input and outputs 128 bits of encrypted cipher text as output. AES relies on substitution-permutation network principle which means it is performed using a series of linked operations which involves replacing and shuffling of the input data.

DES Encryption

Data encryption standard (DES) has been found vulnerable to very powerful attacks and therefore, the popularity of DES has been found slightly on the decline. DES is a block cipher and encrypts data in blocks of size of **64 bits** each, which means 64 bits of plain text go as the input to DES, which produces 64 bits of ciphertext. The same algorithm and key are used for encryption and decryption, with minor differences. The key length is **56 bits**.

Different Modes of AES Encryption

AES offers 2 different modes of encryption - ECB and CBC modes.

- ECB(Electronic Code Book) is the simplest encryption mode and does not require IV for encryption. The input plain text will be divided into blocks and each block will be encrypted with the key provided and hence identical plain text blocks are encrypted into identical cipher text blocks.
- CBC(Cipher Block Chaining) mode is highly recommended, and it is an advanced form of block cipher encryption. It requires IV to make each message unique meaning the identical plain text blocks are encrypted into dissimilar cipher text blocks. Hence, it provides more robust encryption as compared to ECB mode, but it is a bit slower as compared to ECB mode. If no IV is entered then default will be used here for CBC mode and that defaults to a zero based byte[16].

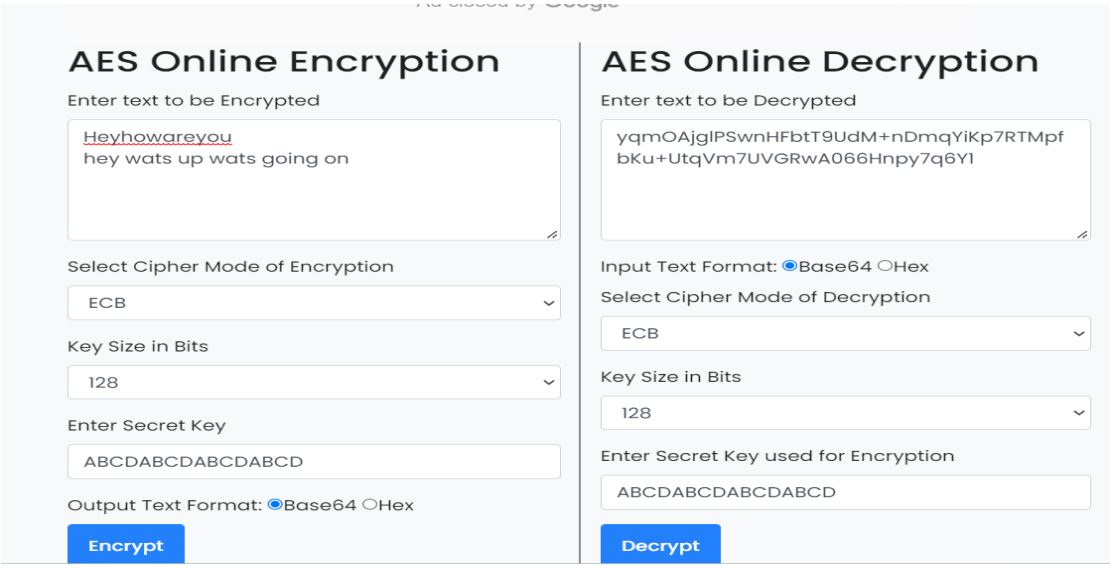
Different Modes of DES Encryption

Data Encryption Standard or DES - it is one of the key player in the history of modern cryptography, as it was a major agent-of-change that brought a revolution in the world of symmetric cryptography after its publication in 1977. . We will discuss mainly two modes here: ECB (Electronic CodeBook Mode) and the CBC (Cipher Block Chaining) mode. We have already a long binary string or data which is to be encrypted, and we try to encrypt the entire data. Our obvious step in block cipher is to 'decompose' / divide entire data into different blocks (each block having 64 bits as in DES). If the entire data is exactly divisible into blocks, then it's ok; otherwise, we 'pad' the data using various schemes.

ECB(base64)

This mode of operation is the simplest of all. The plaintext is divided into blocks with a size of 128 bits. Then each block is encrypted with the same key and algorithm. Therefore, it produces the same result for the same block. This is the main weakness of this mode, and **it's not recommended for encryption**. It requires padding data.

Input:



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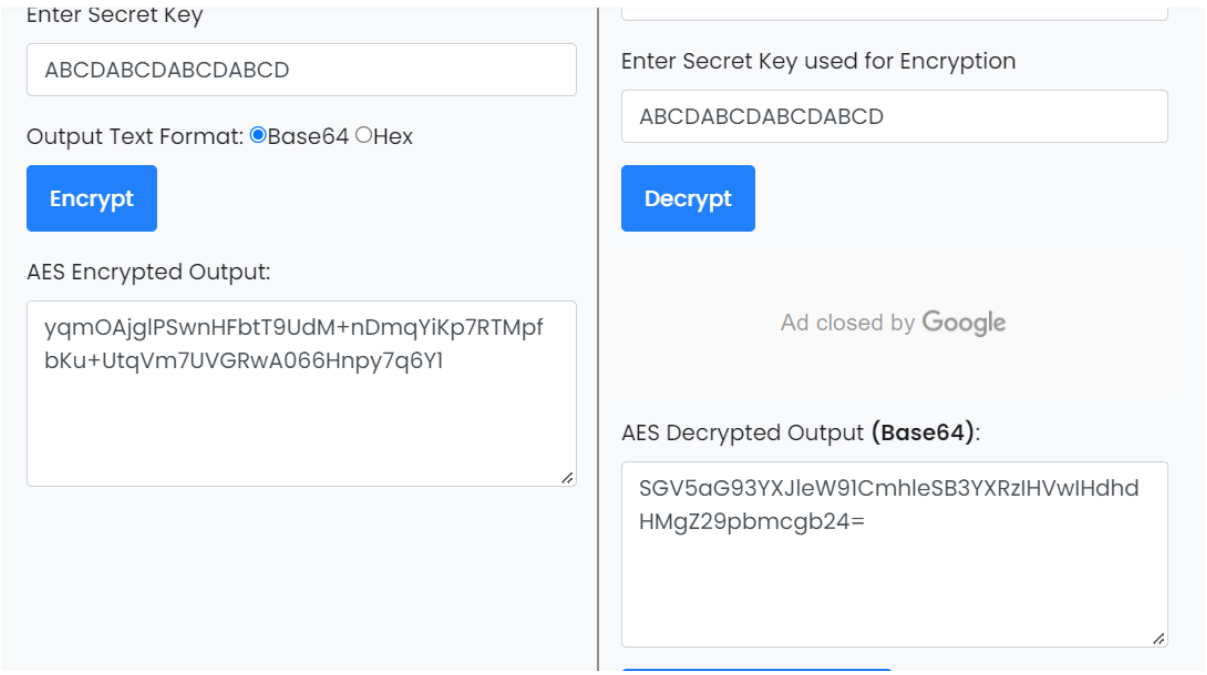

ECB(hexadecimal)

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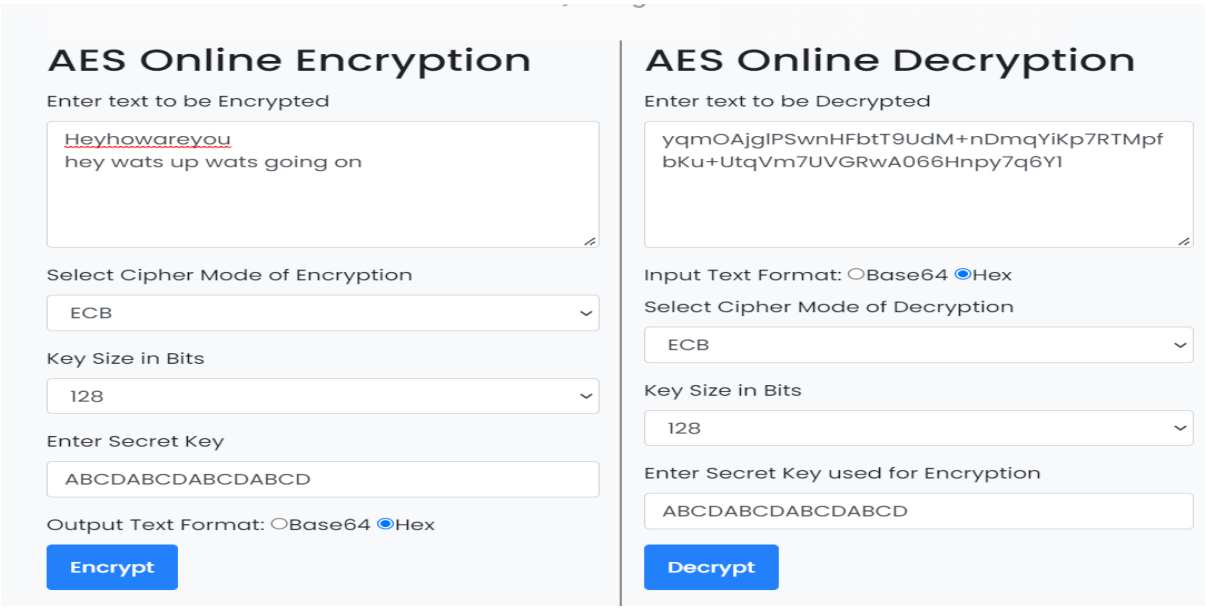

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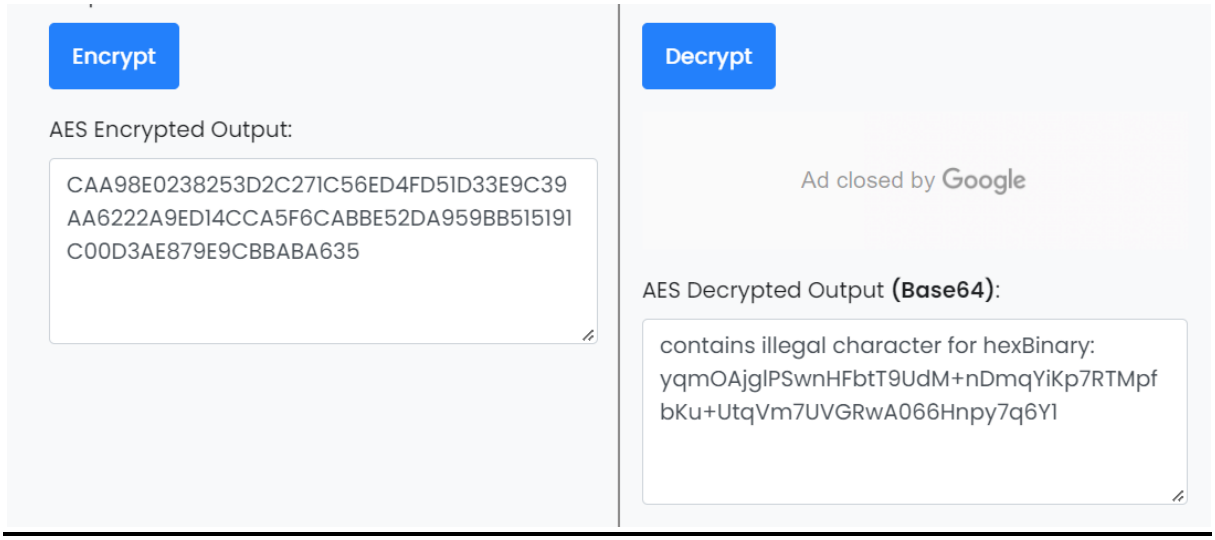

CBC(base64)

In order to overcome the ECB weakness, CBC mode uses an Initialization Vector (IV) to augment the encryption. First, CBC uses the plaintext block xor with the IV. Then it encrypts the result to the ciphertext block. In the next block, it uses the encryption result to xor with the plaintext block until the last block.

In this mode, encryption can't be parallelized, but decryption can be parallelized. It also requires padding data.

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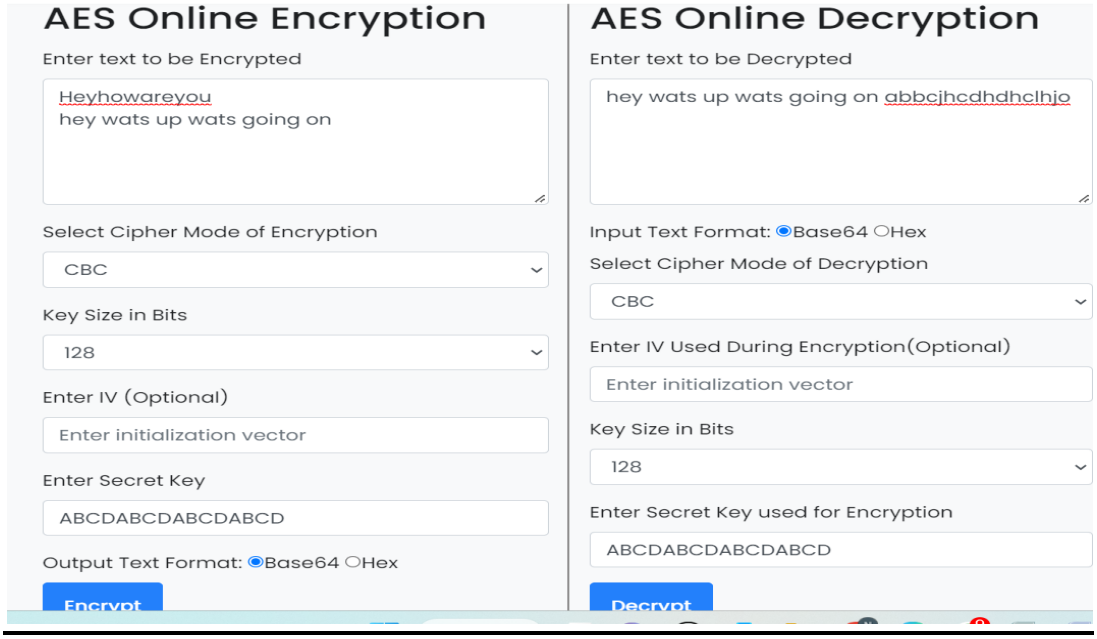

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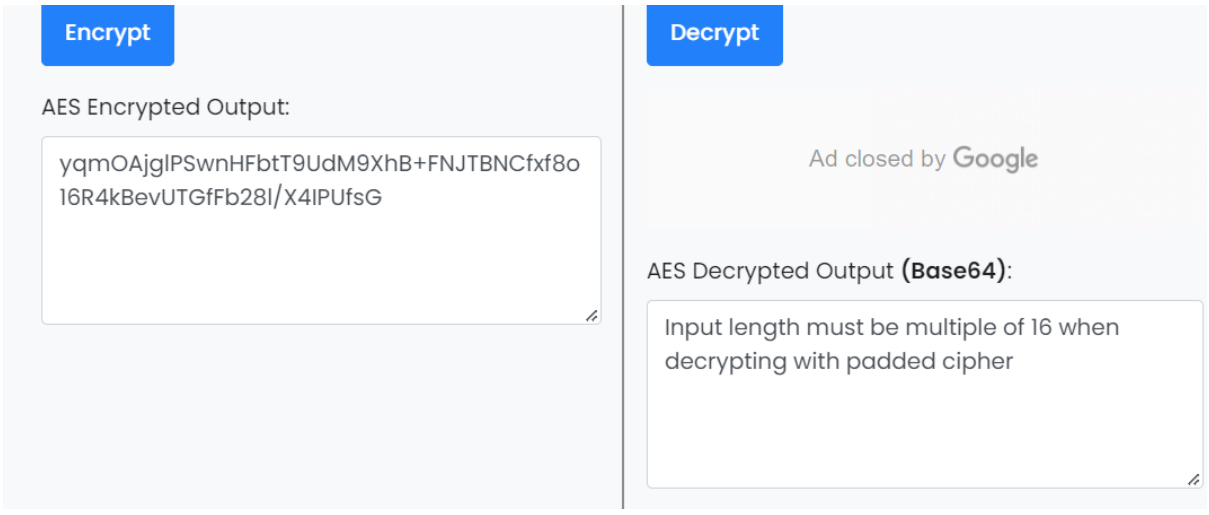


4.STREAM CIPHER:-

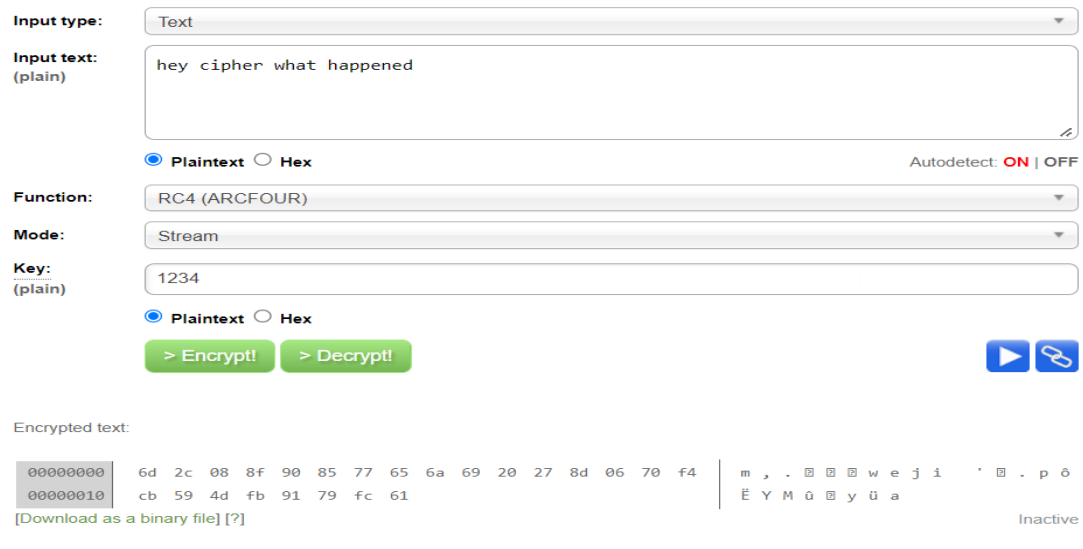
In stream cipher, one byte is encrypted at a time while in block cipher ~128 bits are encrypted at a time.

Initially, a key(k) will be supplied as input to pseudorandom bit generator and then it produces a random 8-bit output which is treated as keystream.

The resulted keystream will be of size 1 byte, i.e., 8 bits.

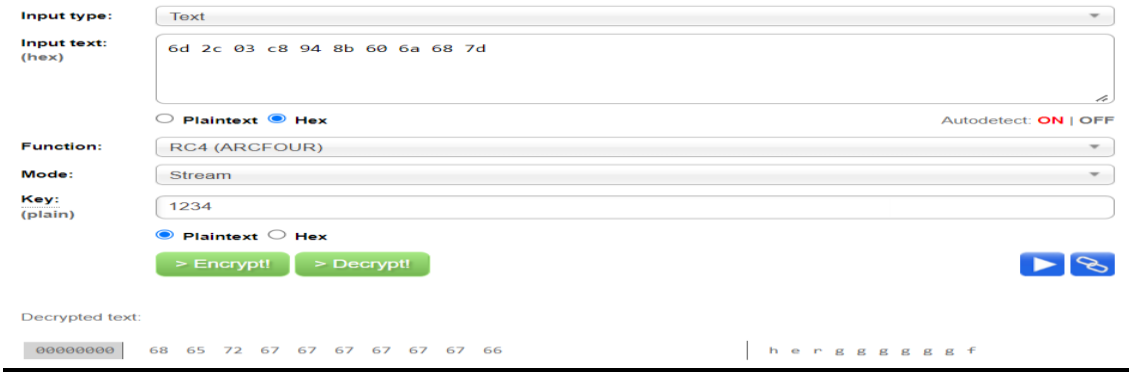
1. Stream Cipher follows the sequence of pseudorandom number stream.
2. One of the benefits of following stream cipher is to make cryptanalysis more difficult, so the number of bits chosen in the Keystream must be long in order to make cryptanalysis more difficult.
3. By making the key more longer it is also safe against brute force attacks.
4. The longer the key the stronger security is achieved, preventing any attack.
5. Keystream can be designed more efficiently by including more number of 1s and 0s, for making cryptanalysis more difficult.
6. Considerable benefit of a stream cipher is, it requires few lines of code compared to block cipher.

Encode(plaintext-plaintext)



Encode(plaintext-hex)

Decode



Decrypted text:

5.CAESER CIPHER:-

The Caesar Cipher technique is one of the earliest and simplest methods of encryption technique. It's simply a type of substitution cipher, i.e., each letter of a given text is replaced by a letter with a fixed number of positions down the alphabet. For example with a shift of 1, A would be replaced by B, B would become C, and so on. The method is apparently named after Julius Caesar, who apparently used it to communicate with his officials.

Thus to cipher a given text we need an integer value, known as a shift which indicates the number of positions each letter of the text has been moved down.

The encryption can be represented using modular arithmetic by first transforming the letters into numbers, according to the scheme, A = 0, B = 1,…, Z = 25.

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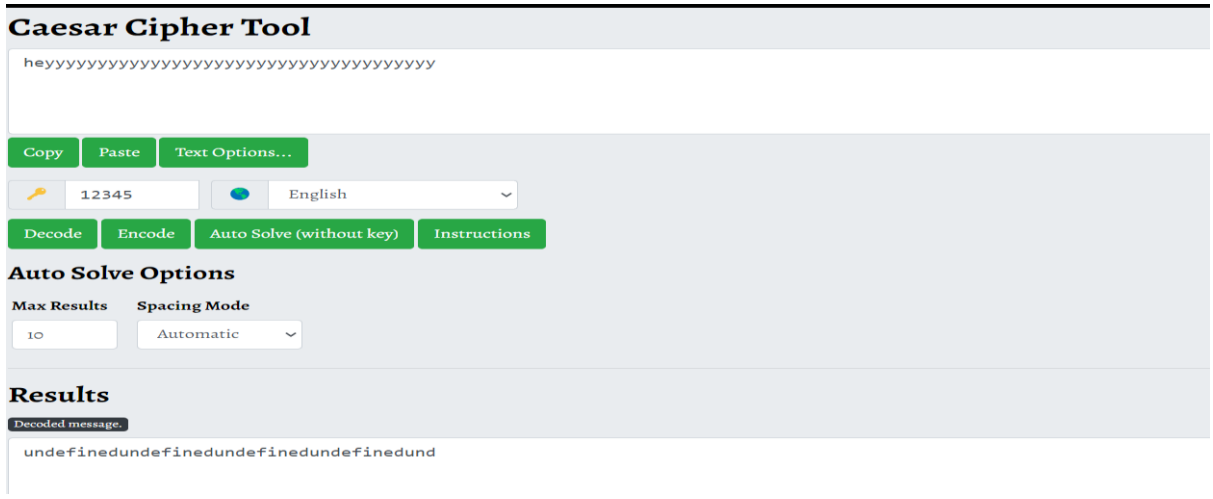

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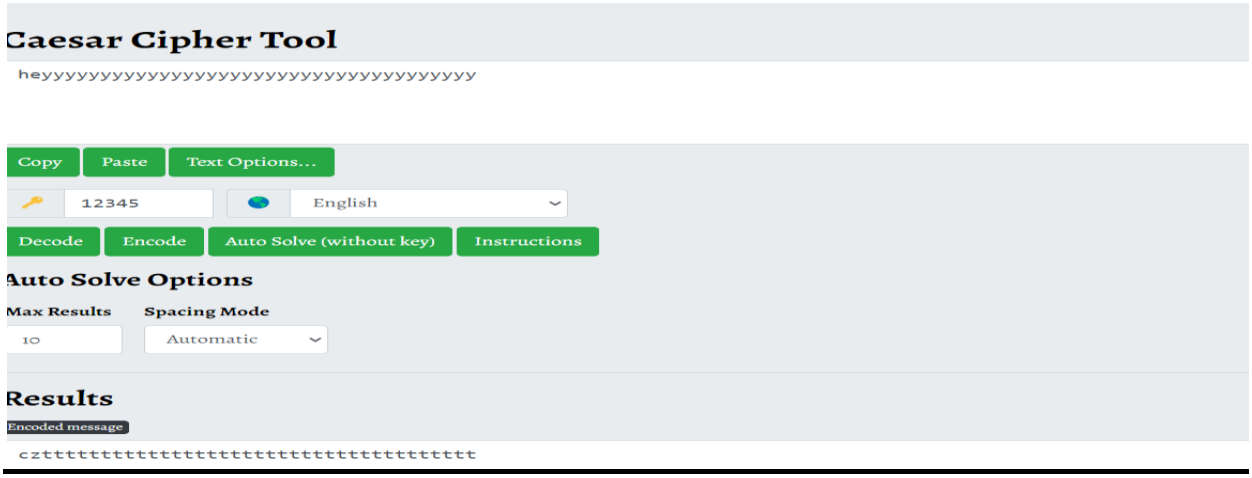

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