# Data Encryption Standard (DES)

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# **Block Ciphers**

A block of plaintext is treated as whole text and used to produce a cipher block of equal length

#### Advantages:

- Fast encryption of large amount of data
- Secrecy and authentication service

**Stream Ciphers** – encrypts data unit by unit, where a unit is of certain number of bits

#### Example:

- If the unit be a bit, a stream cipher encrypts data unit by unit. Or
- if the unit be a byte, it encrypts byte by byte

#### **Vigenere Cipher**

### **Diffusion & Confusion:**

#### **CLAUDE SHANNON in 1945:**

"Introduce diffusion and confusion through cryptographic algorithms"

#### **DIFFUSION:**

- Use permutation followed by some functional transformation.
- Make statistical relationship between the plaintext and ciphertext as complex as possible.

#### **CONFUSION:**

- Makes the relationship between the statistics of ciphertext and encryption key as complex as possible.
- Achieved by using a complex substitution algorithm.

Substitution or Permutation: easy to break by using statistical analysis; Strength due to non-linear functional transformation.

# Kerckhoff's Rule

The strength of an encryption algorithm depends upon:

- 1. Design of the algorithm
- 2. Key length
- Secrecy of the key (requires proper management of key distribution)

Cryptosystems should rely on the secrecy of the key, but not of algorithm

# **Modern Encryption Techniques:**

- DES: A complex encryption scheme.
- Simplified DES:
  - A teaching tool
  - Designed by Prof. Edward Schaeter, Santa Clara University, 1996

Given: plaintext 8-bit, Key 10-bit

Output: ciphertext 8-bit

# Simplified DES:

ciphertext =  $IP^{-1}$  ( $f_{k2}$  (SW ( $f_{k1}$  ( IP (plaintext)))))

#### **S-DES's five steps:**

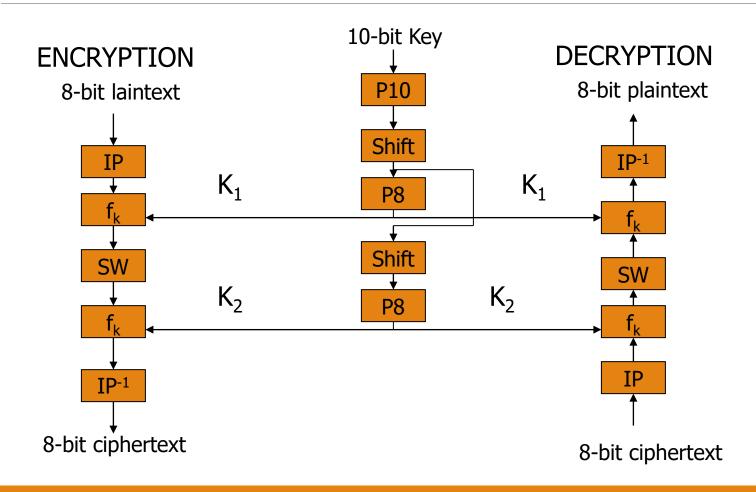
- 1. Initial Permutation **IP**.
- 2. A complex function  $\mathbf{f_k}$  which requires key  $\mathbf{K_{1}}$
- 3. A switch function **SW** 
  - switches the left half and the right half of a data string.
- 4. The function  $\mathbf{f_k}$  again with a different key  $\mathbf{K_2}$ .
- 5. A permutation function that is the **inverse of IP** –called **IP**-1.

Then we have  $(IP^{-1}(IP(X))) = X$ 

S-DES may be said to have two ROUNDS of the function  $f_k$ .

### Simplified DES scheme:

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ciphertext = IP^{-1} (f_{k2} (SW (f_{k1} ( IP (plaintext)))))
Plaintext = IP^{-1} (f_{k1} (SW (f_{k2} ( IP (ciphertext)))))
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# Key generation for simplified DES:

 $K_1 = P8 \text{ (Shift (P10 (Key)))}$ <sub>10 bit key</sub>  $K_2 = P8$  (Shift (Shift (P10 (Key)))) 10 P10 P10 5 Circular left shift by 1, separately on LS<sup>-1</sup> the left and the right halves <u>5</u>-5 **P8** P8 10 Circular left shift by 2, separately on the left and the right halves P8

## Simplified DES Encryption:

ciphertext =  $IP^{-1}$  ( $f_{k2}$  (SW ( $f_{k1}$  ( IP (plaintext)))))

