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# Topic: Cypher Blocks. DES Algorithm

## Tasks:

To develop a program in one of the preferred programming languages for implementing an element of the DES algorithm. The task will be chosen based on the student's ordinal number  $n$  in the group list, according to the formula:  $nr\_task = n \bmod 11$ . For each task, the tables used and all intermediate steps must be displayed on the screen. The input data should either be user-provided or generated randomly.

2.2. Given  $K_i$  in the DES algorithm, determine  $C_i$  and  $D_i$  for a given  $i$

## Theoretical notes:

### 1. Initial Key Permutation (PC-1)

- **Purpose:** The initial permutation (PC-1) rearranges the bits of the 64-bit key  $K$  to reduce dependencies between input bits and their corresponding output bits.
- **Mechanism:**
  - A predefined table (PC-1) selects and permutes 56 bits from the 64-bit key.
  - The 8 parity bits (one for each byte) are ignored during this process.

## Formula:

Permuted Key = PC-1( $K$ )

## Output:

- A 56-bit permuted key is divided into two halves:
  - $C$ : The leftmost 28 bits.
  - $D$ : The rightmost 28 bits.

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### 2. Splitting into C and D Components

- The permuted 56-bit key is divided into two halves for independent manipulation:
  - $C$ : Represents the left half of the key.
  - $D$ : Represents the right half of the key.
- This separation allows for bitwise operations to be performed independently on each half.

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### 3. Left Circular Shifts

- **Purpose:** To introduce variability and diffusion in the subkey generation.
- **Mechanism:**
  - CCC and DDD are each shifted left by a number of bits specified by the **shift schedule** for the current round  $i$ .
  - The shifts are **circular**, meaning bits that overflow the leftmost end are reintroduced at the rightmost end.

#### Formula:

$C_i = \text{LeftShift}(C_{i-1}, \text{shifts}[i])$   
 $D_i = \text{LeftShift}(D_{i-1}, \text{shifts}[i])$

#### Shift Schedule:

- A predefined array dictates the number of shifts for each round  $i$ . For example:
  - Round 1: 1 shift.
  - Round 2: 1 shift.
  - Round 3: 2 shifts, and so on.

## 4. Intermediate Values

- The  $C_i$  and  $D_i$  values at each round are crucial for deriving the round-specific subkeys  $K_i$ .
- These intermediate values illustrate how the initial key evolves across rounds, introducing complexity and security into the DES encryption process.

## 5. Relevance in DES

The key scheduling process, including the steps to compute  $C_i$  and  $D_i$ , ensures:

- **Diffusion:** Small changes in the initial key propagate to all subkeys.
- **Unpredictability:** The use of a shift schedule and permutations increases the complexity of reverse-engineering subkeys.

### Implementation:

#### 1. generate\_random\_key()

**Purpose:** Generates a random 64-bit key, simulating a possible input for the DES encryption process.

**Usage:**

- Used when the user opts for automatic generation of a key.
- Ensures the key has random bit values (0 or 1).

**Output:** A 64-character binary string representing a 64-bit key.

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**2. apply\_permutation(table, key)**

**Purpose:** Applies a specific permutation to the input key based on a given table.

**Usage:**

- Implements the **PC-1 permutation** in the DES algorithm.
- Rearranges or selects bits from the input key based on indices provided in the table.

**Parameters:**

- table: A list of integers specifying the new positions of bits.
- key: The original key to be permuted (binary string).

**3. left\_shift(bits, shifts)**

**Purpose:** Performs a circular left shift (rotation) on a binary string.

**Usage:**

- Shifts the bits in the CCC and DDD halves during key scheduling.
- Ensures bits that overflow on the left are reintroduced at the right.

**Parameters:**

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Here is a summary of the **key functions** implemented in the DES key scheduling task and their respective meanings:

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**Example:**

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```
table = [3, 1, 2] # Example table
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key = "101"      # Original key
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```
result = apply_permutation(table, key) # Result: "011"
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- shifts: Number of positions to shift.

**Output:** A binary string that has been circularly shifted.

**Example:**

python

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```
bits = "1010"
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shifts = 1
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```
result = left_shift(bits, shifts) # Result: "0101"
```

#### 4. des\_key\_schedule(key\_plus, i)

**Purpose:** Calculates CiC\_iCi and DiD\_iDi for a specific round iii in the DES key schedule.

**Usage:**

- Implements the core of the key scheduling process.
- Applies the **PC-1 permutation** and performs **left shifts** for each round up to iii.

**Parameters:**

- key\_plus: The initial 64-bit key (binary string).
- i: The round number for which CiC\_iCi and DiD\_iDi are required.

**Steps:**

1. Apply **PC-1** to permute the key and split it into C0C\_0C0 and D0D\_0D0.
2. Perform **circular left shifts** for each round up to iii.
3. Display intermediate CCC and DDD values.

**Output:** The CiC\_iCi and DiD\_iDi values as binary strings.

## Results:

```
Algoritmul DES: Calcularea C_i și D_i pentru un i dat.  
Introduceți cheia manual (1) sau generați aleatoriu (2): 2  
Cheia generată aleatoriu este: 100000111001001001000101111001001001010101101101110000110110  
Introduceți numărul rundei i (1-16): 1  
Cheia după permutarea PC-1: 0101101101101100100010001111101000111111100010000000010  
Cheia C0: 0101101101101100100010001111  
Cheia D0: 1010001111111100010000000010  
Runda 1: C1 = 1011011011011001000100011110, D1 = 010001111111100010000000101  
Rezultatul final pentru runda 1: C1 = 1011011011011001000100011110, D1 = 010001111111100010000000101  
  
Process finished with exit code 0
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## Conclusion

This implementation provides a detailed look into the DES key scheduling process. It includes step-by-step calculations and displays intermediate results for better understanding. The program allows for flexibility in input by either accepting a user-provided key or generating one randomly. This makes the implementation versatile and suitable for educational purposes.