# Cryptography Course Project

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# Introduction

The purpose of this project is to explore and analyze various cryptographic algorithms using CrypTool, a comprehensive software for cryptography education and experimentation. Through this project, we aim to gain a deeper understanding of how different encryption techniques work, their performance characteristics, and their security features. By implementing and experimenting with symmetric, asymmetric, and hash algorithms, we will compare their encryption speeds, key management complexities, and realworld applications. Ultimately, the project seeks to provide practical insights into the strengths and weaknesses of these cryptographic methods, enhancing our knowledge of securing data in digital communication.

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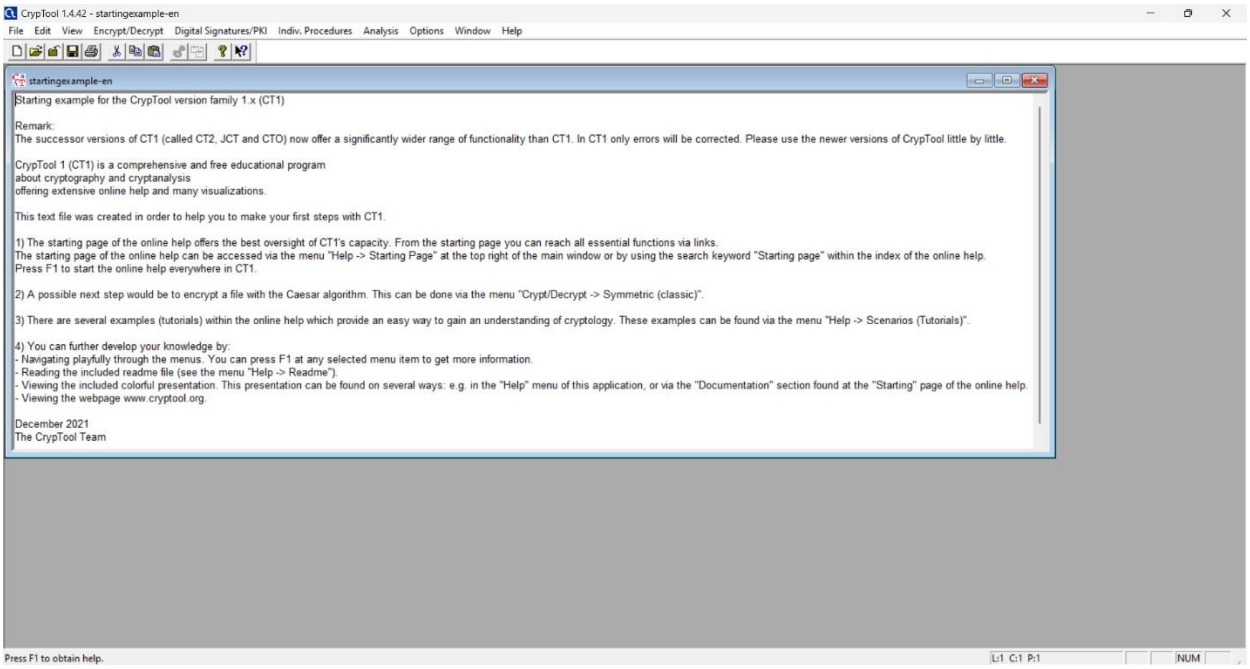
# Introduction to CrypTool

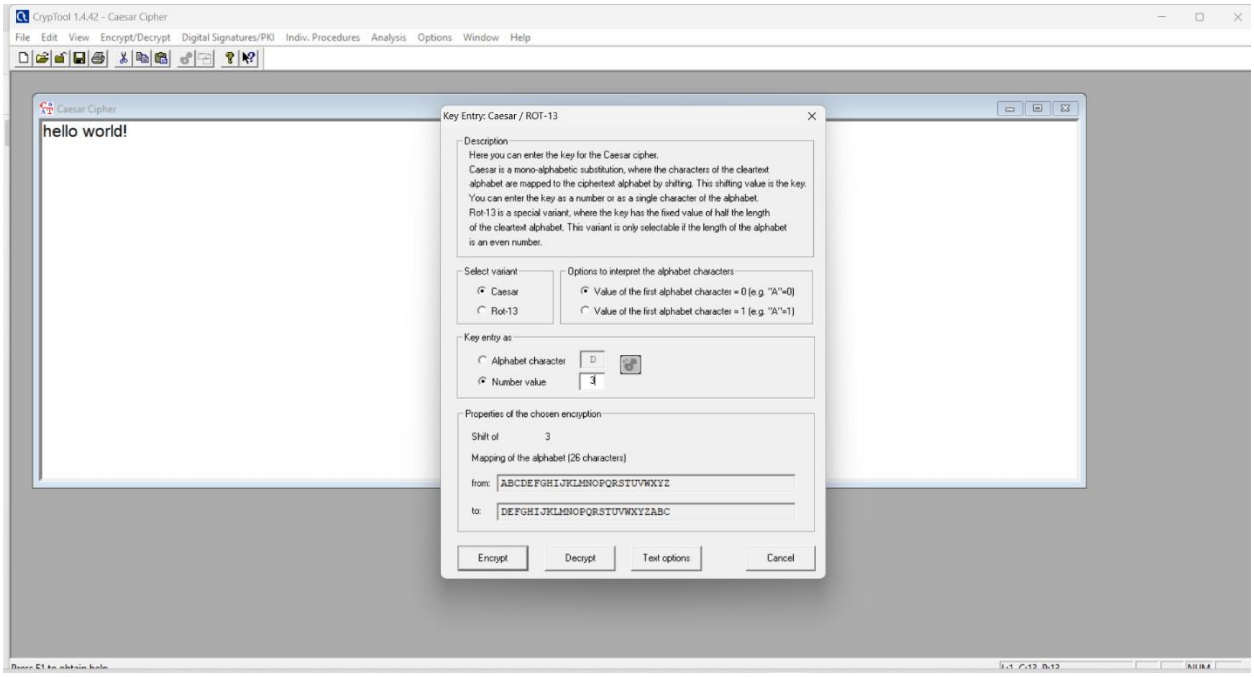
CrypTool is a versatile software designed for experimenting with cryptographic algorithms and protocols.

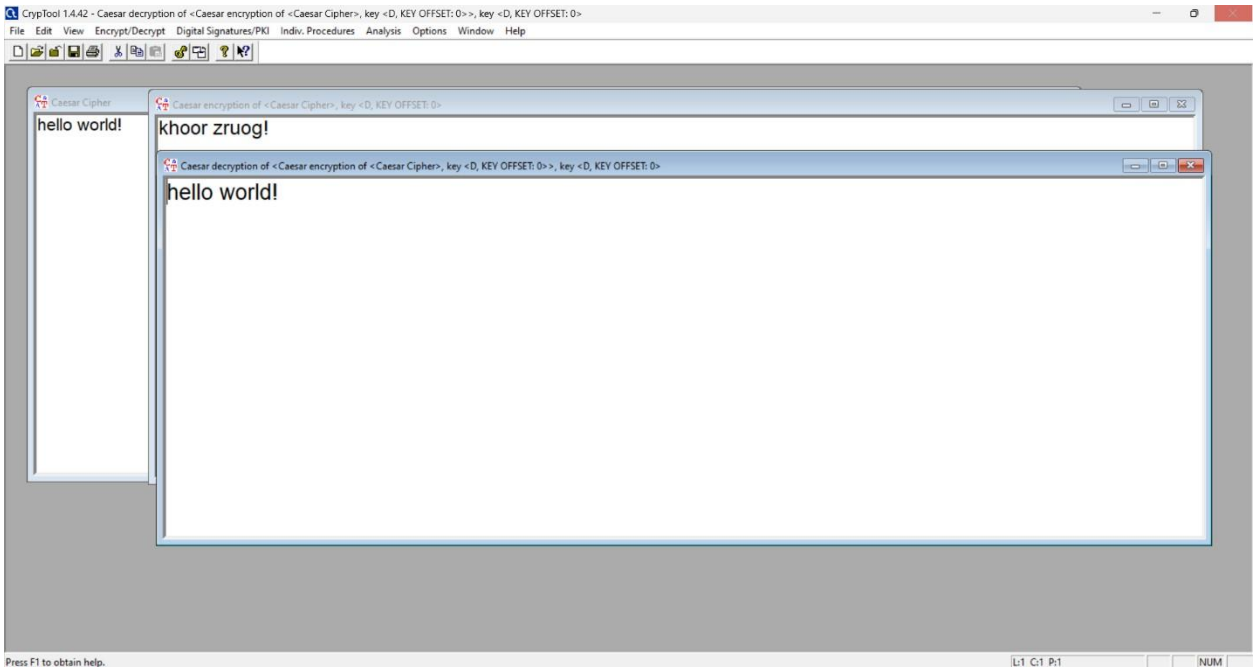


## Basic Cryptographic Operations Classical

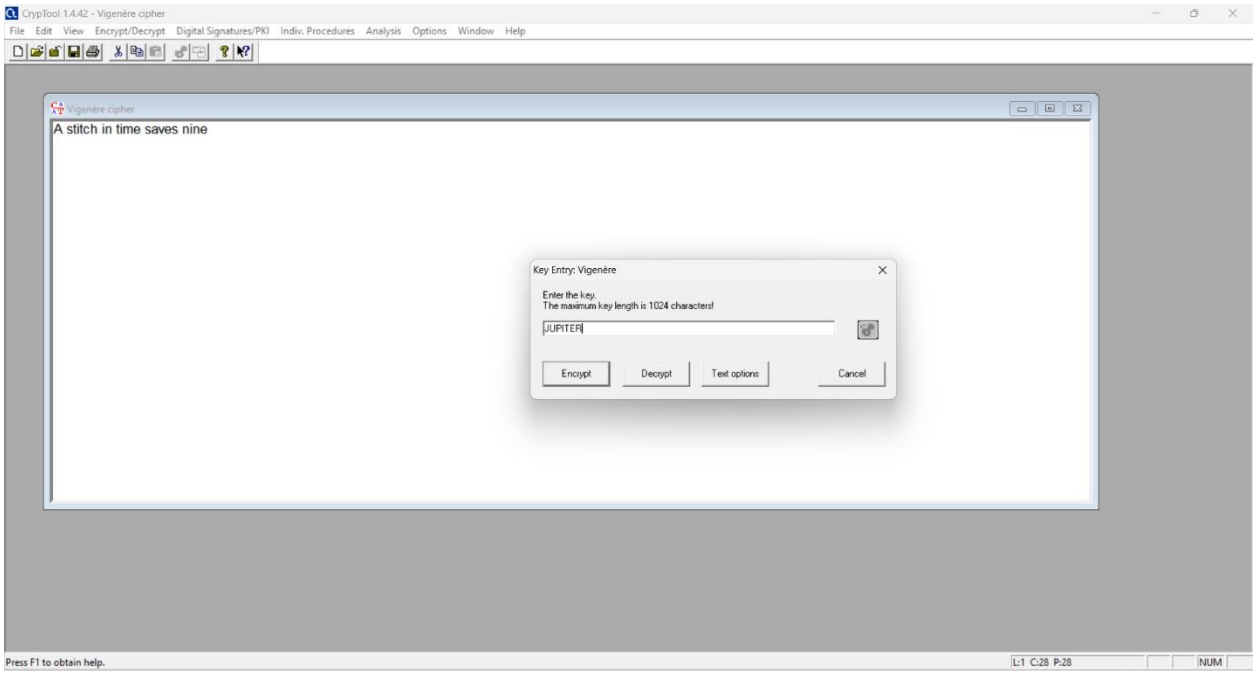
## Ciphers:

- **Caesar Cipher:**
    - **Description:** A substitution cipher where each letter in the plaintext is shifted by a fixed number of places in the alphabet.
    - **Operation:** Users input the plaintext and shift value, then execute encryption. Decryption reverses the shift.






- **Vigenère Cipher:**
    - **Description:** An encryption method using a series of Caesar ciphers based on the letters of a keyword.
    - **Operation:** Users input the plaintext and keyword, then encrypt or decrypt the message based on the keyword.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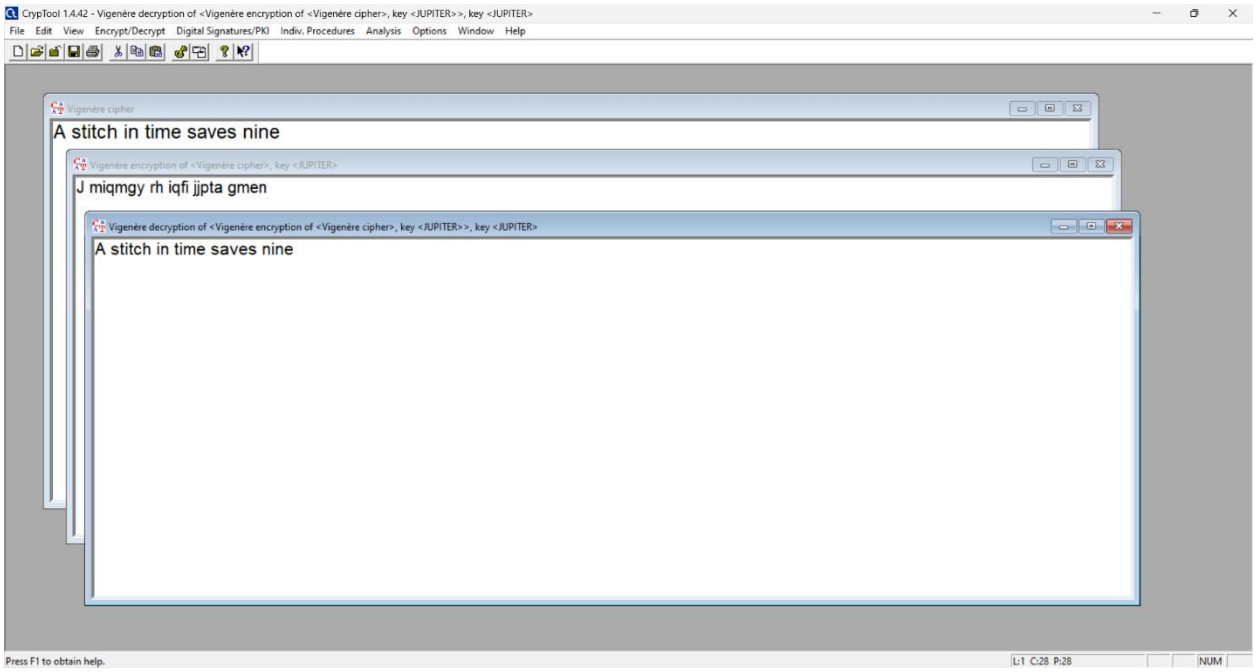
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**Features and Tools Key**

**Features:**

- **Cryptographic Algorithms:** CrypTool includes a wide range of algorithms for encryption, decryption, and hashing. Examples include AES, RSA, and SHA-256.
- **Visualizations:** Provides tools for visualizing cryptographic processes, such as key generation and data encryption/decryption flows.
- **Tutorials and Help:** Built-in tutorials and help sections guide users through different cryptographic concepts and tools.

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# Algorithm Implementation and Analysis

**Algorithm Selection**

**Symmetric Key Algorithm:** DES

- **Modes of Operation:**
  - **ECB (Electronic Codebook) Mode:** Each block of plaintext is encrypted independently.
  - **CBC (Cipher Block Chaining) Mode:** Each block of plaintext is XORed with the previous ciphertext block before encryption.

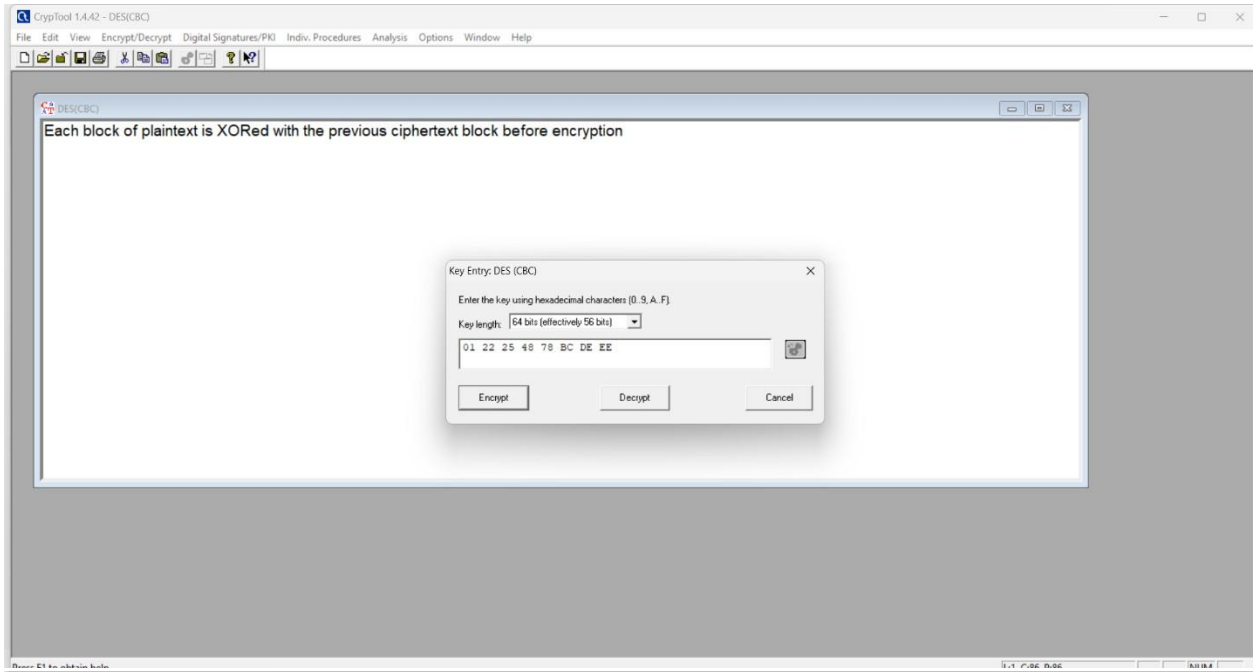
**Asymmetric Key Algorithm:** RSA

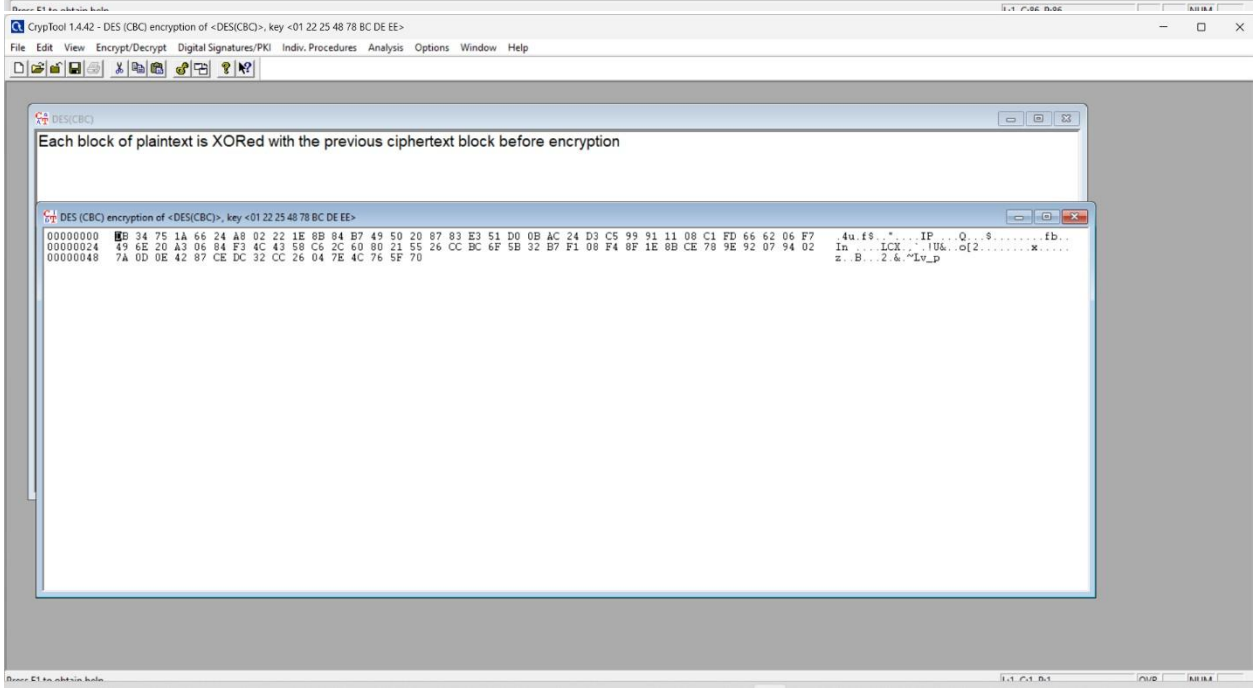
- **Encryption and Decryption:** Based on public and private key pairs.

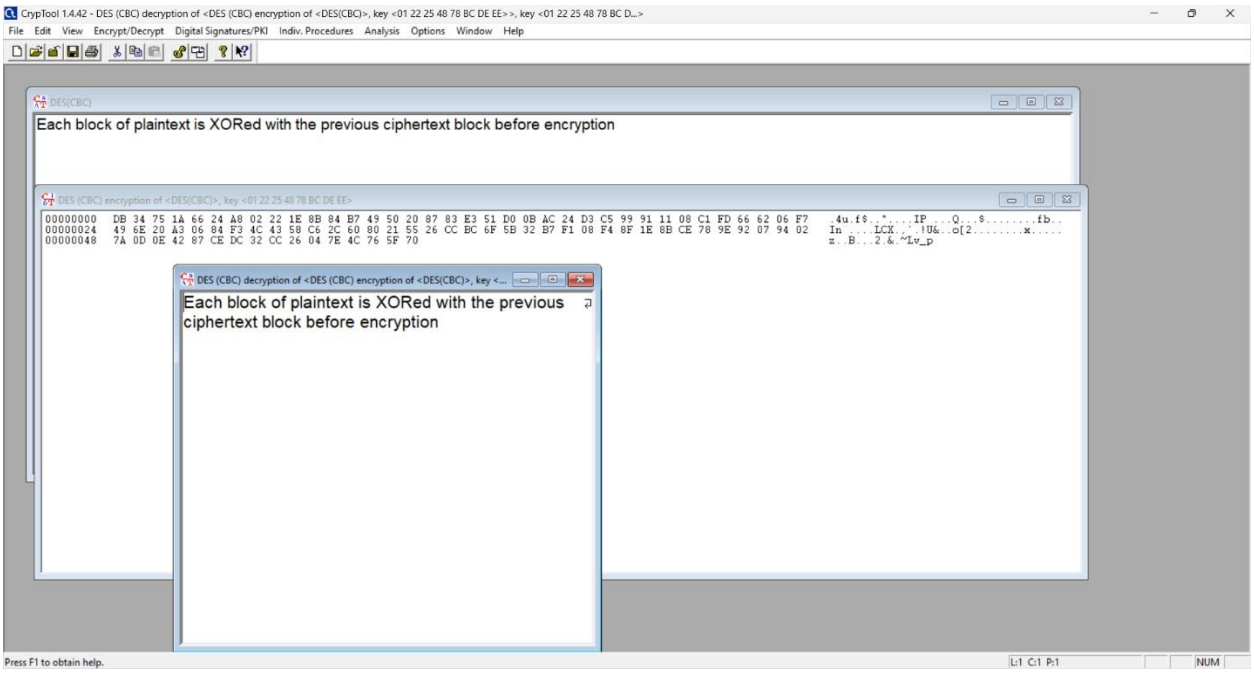
## Implementation Process

# 1. DES

## a. CBC

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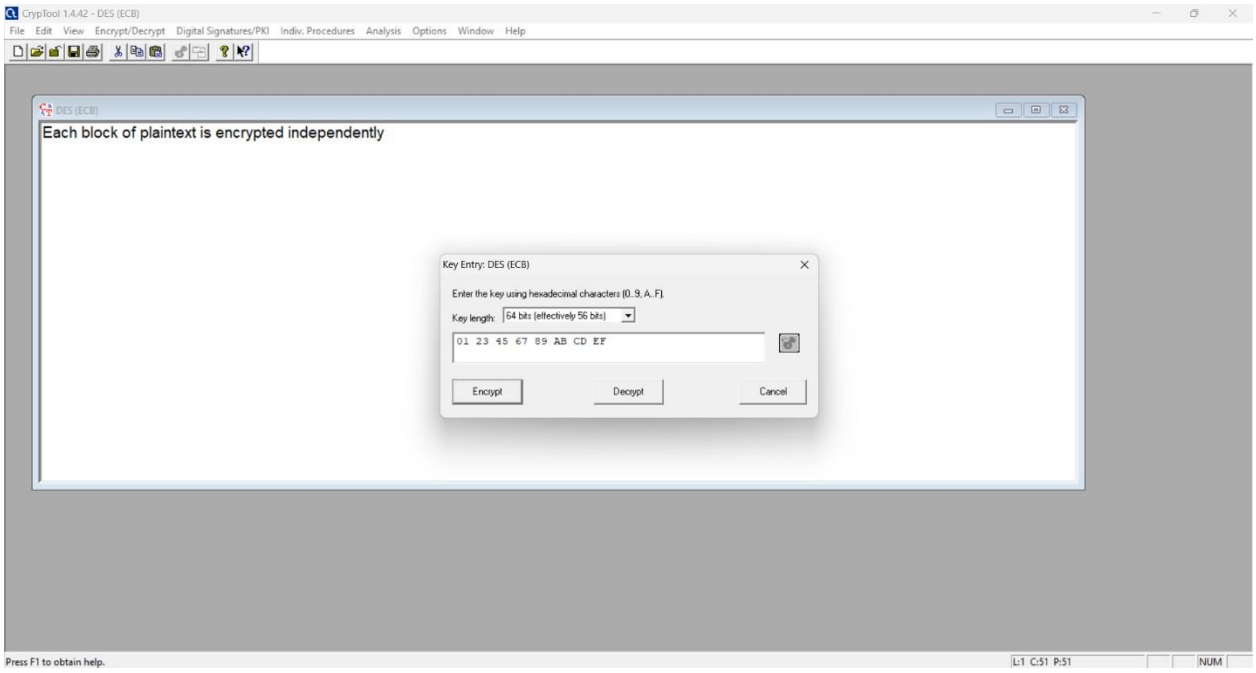
ECB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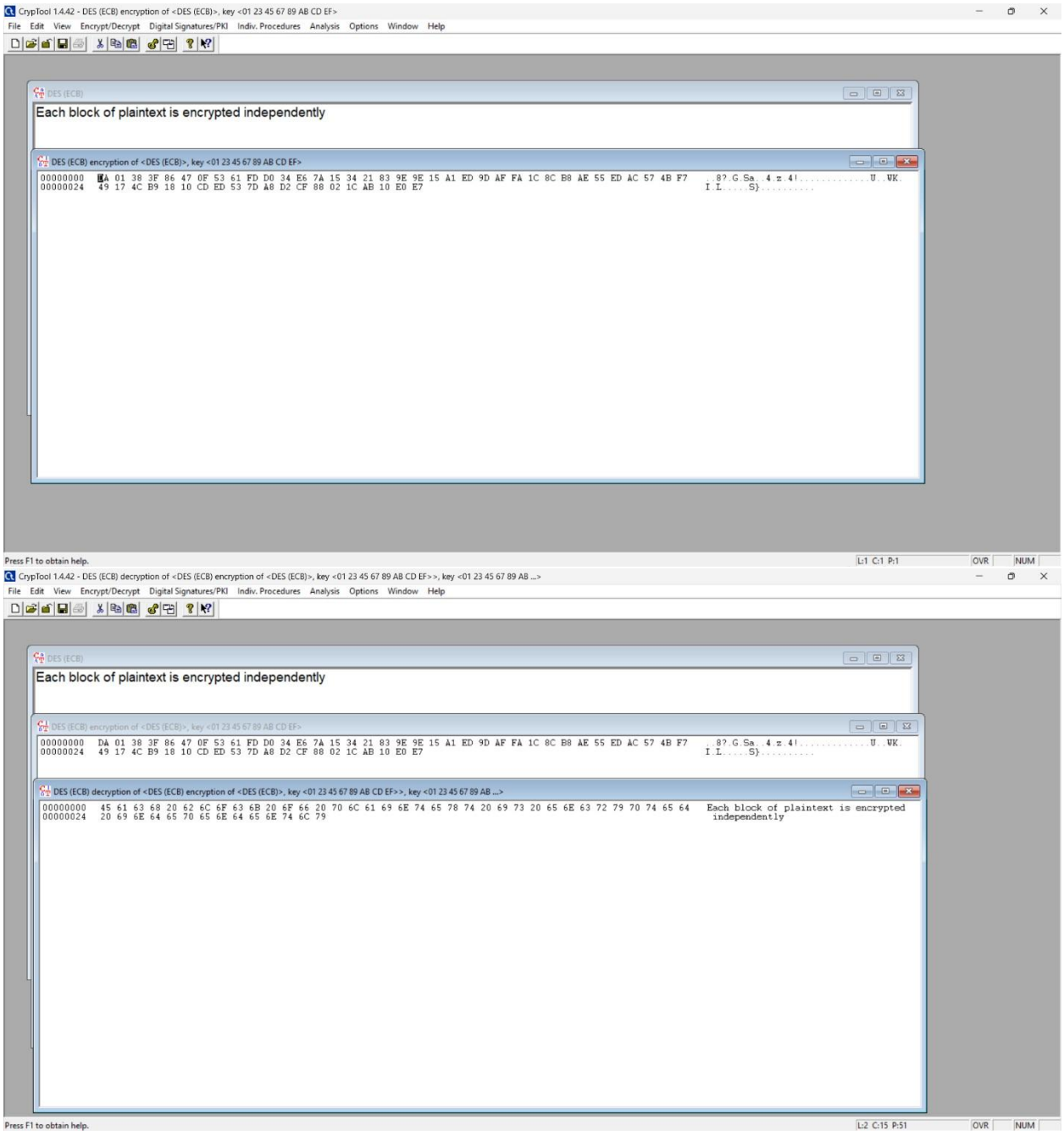
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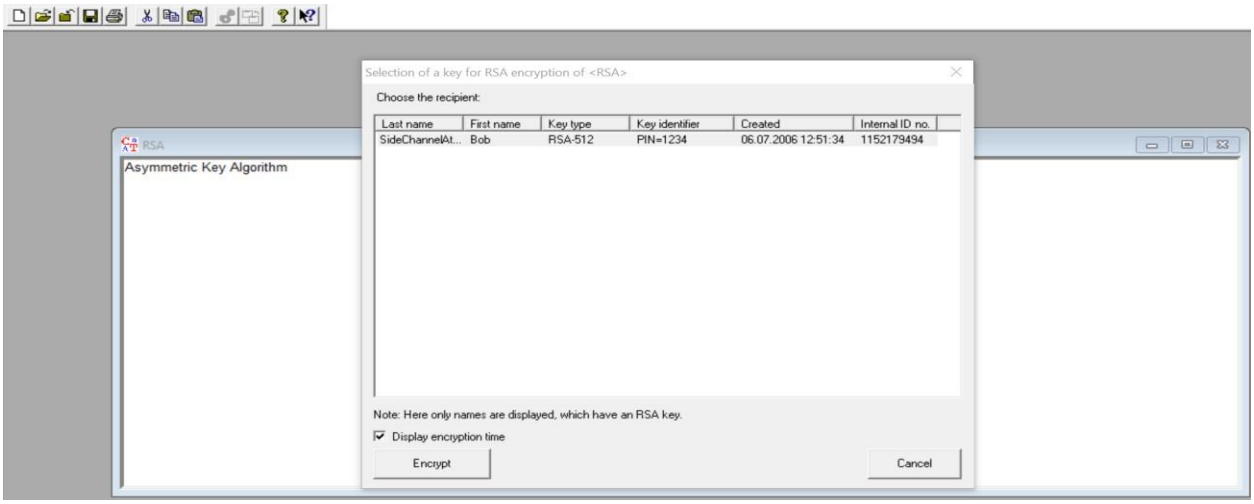
## 2. RSA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Last name | First name | Key type | Key identifier | Created | Internal ID no.
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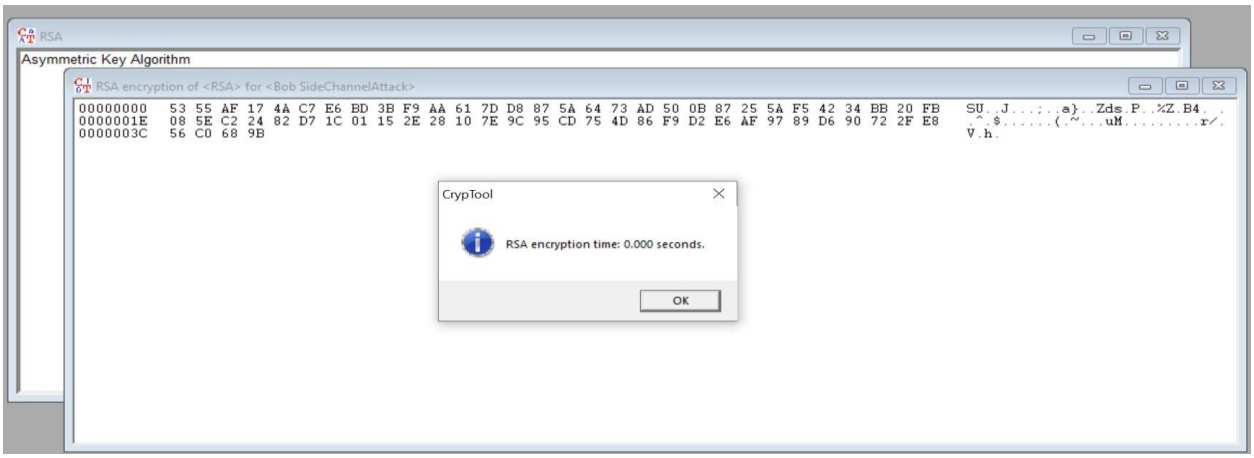
Asymmetric Key Algorithm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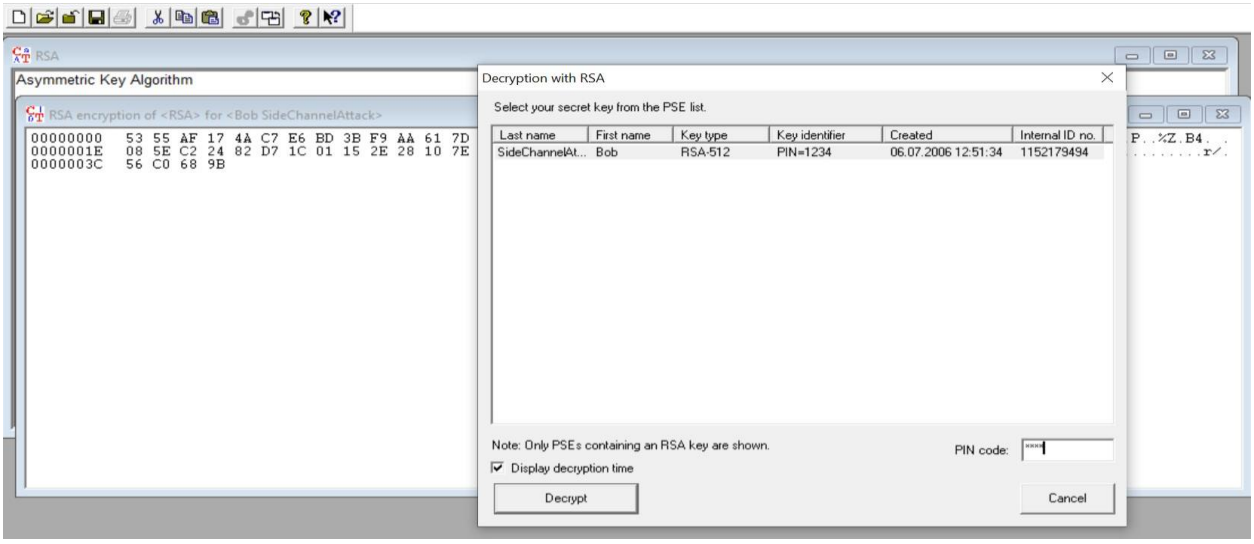
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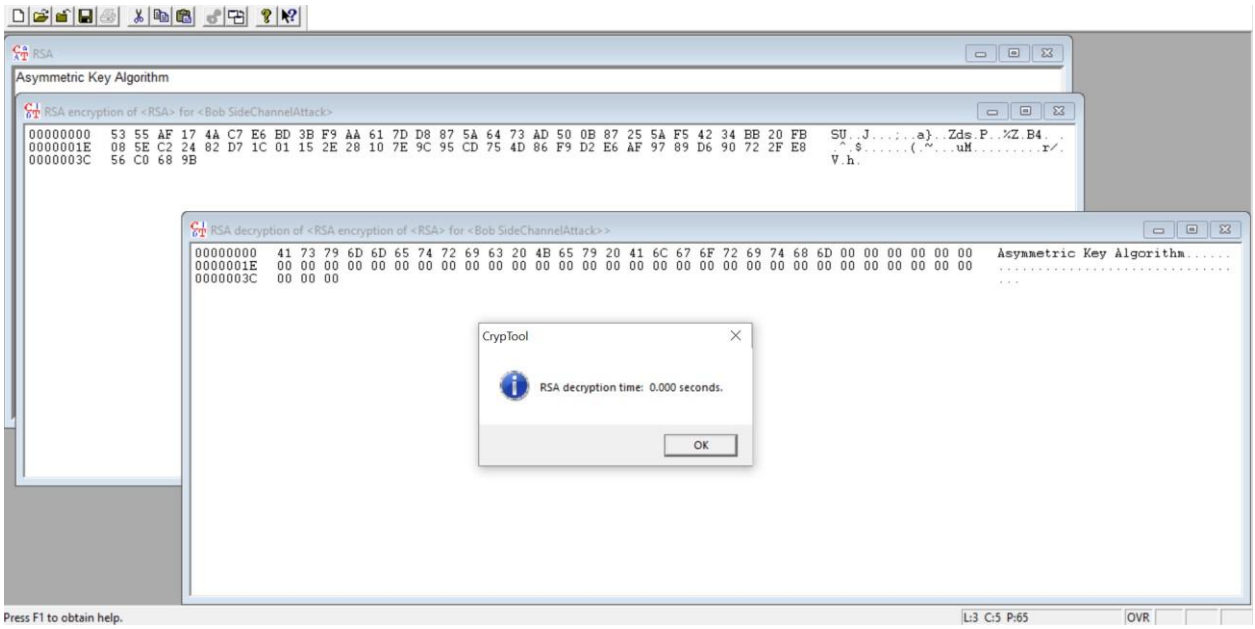
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Asymmetric Key Algorithm
CrypTool
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- **Analysis of Algorithms**

| **Aspect** | **ECC** | **CBC** |
|---|---|---|
| **performance** | Moderate | High |
| **Security features** | High | High (when implemented correctly) |
| **Encryption speed** | Moderate | High |
| **Key management complexity** | Complex | Moderate |
| **The trade-off between security and performance** | Balanced | Optimized of speed |

| Aspect | RSA | DES |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Performance** | Low | High |
| **Security features** | Strong | Weak |
| **Encryption speed** | Slow | Fast |
| **Key management complexity** | Complex | Simple |
| **The trade-off between security and performance** | Not balanced (security over performance) | Not balanced (performance over security) |

# Security Analysis

**The Data Encryption Standard (DES):** is an encryption algorithm that was widely used in the past. However, over time it has been found to have several security implications that make it worthless for modern use. here are some reasons:

**the security implications:**

## 1. Key Size

Short Key Length: DES uses a 56-bit key, which was considered secure when it was created in the 1970s. However, with the advent of more powerful computing resources, the 56-bit key is no longer secure.

## 2. Cryptanalysis

Linear Cryptanalysis: Another form of cryptanalysis that attempts to find linear approximations to the DES function. DES is somewhat vulnerable to linear cryptanalysis, especially when fewer rounds are used.

## 3. Block Size

Small Block Size: DES operates on 64-bit blocks, which is relatively small by modern standards. This small block size increases the likelihood of encountering the same ciphertext for different pieces of plaintext (a problem known as a "birthday attack").

## 4. Weaknesses in the Key Schedule

Weak Keys: DES has certain keys that produce weak encryption. there are specific keys that make the encryption process ineffective, either by encrypting plaintext to itself (known as "weak keys") or by producing predictable patterns.

**potential attacks and mitigations:**

## 1. Brute-Force Attack

A brute-force attack involves trying all 2^56 possible keys until the correct one is found. Given the short key length, modern computers can execute this attack relatively quickly.

## 2. Differential Cryptanalysis

This is a chosen plaintext attack that analyzes differences in plaintext pairs and the resulting differences in ciphertext pairs to deduce the encryption key. Although DES was designed with some resistance to this attack, it is still somewhat vulnerable.

## 3. Linear Cryptanalysis

Linear cryptanalysis involves finding linear approximations of the encryption process and using these approximations to recover key bits by analyzing a large number of plaintext-ciphertext pairs.

4. Weak Keys

DES has specific keys that are considered weak or semiweak because they produce the same ciphertext for different plaintexts, making the encryption less secure.

## **Mitigation**:

3DES: Triple DES (3DES) applies DES three times with different keys, effectively increasing the key length to 112 or 168 bits, making brute-force attacks more difficult. and Applying DES multiple times with different keys increases the complexity of differential cryptanalysis.

AES: The Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) uses key lengths of 128, 192, or 256 bits, making brute-force attacks infeasible. resist differential cryptanalysis, providing stronger security. AES does not have weak or semi-weak keys, making it a more secure choice.

**RSA (Rivest-Shamir-Adleman):** is one of the most widely used public-key cryptosystems. While RSA is robust, it has certain security implications that must be considered, including potential attacks and their mitigations:

## Key Length Vulnerability:

The security of RSA is based on the difficulty of factoring large composite numbers (the product of two large prime numbers). As computational power increases, the key length required to ensure security must also increase. Historically, 1024-bit keys were standard, but now (2048-bit or 3072-bit keys are commonly recommended).

Implication: Using shorter key lengths increases the risk of an attacker successfully factoring the modulus and compromising the RSA key.

## Potential Attacks on RSA:

### 1. Factoring Attacks

These attacks attempt to factor the large modulus n product of two large prime numbers.

Mitigation: Increase Key Length: Use longer key lengths (at least 2048 bits, but 3072 or 4096 bits are preferable) to make factoring attacks infeasible.

Monitor Cryptanalysis Advances: Regularly update key lengths and cryptographic practices based on advances in factorization algorithms and computational power.

### 2. Timing Attacks

Timing attacks exploit the time taken to perform decryption or signing operations to deduce private key information.

Mitigation: Use Constant-Time Algorithms: Implement RSA operations in a way that ensures constant execution time, regardless of the input or key, to prevent timing attacks.

### 3. Chosen Ciphertext Attacks

These attacks involve the attacker choosing a ciphertext and tricking the system into decrypting it, revealing information about the private key.

Mitigation: Use Secure Padding Schemes: Implement padding schemes like Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding (OAEP) that are resistant to CCA.

## 4. Quantum Computing Threat

Description: Quantum computers pose a significant threat to RSA due to Shor's algorithm, which can factor large integers in polynomial time, rendering RSA insecure if a sufficiently powerful quantum computer is developed.

## Mitigation:

**Transition to Post-Quantum Cryptography: Research and begin transitioning to quantum-resistant algorithms, such as lattice-based, hash-based, or code-based cryptographic systems, which are believed to be secure against quantum attacks.**

# Real-World Application

Real-World Application of DES:

1-It is used in random number generation.

2-It is deployed when not-so-strong encryption is needed.

3-It is used to develop a new form of DES, called Triple DES (using a 168-bit key formed using three keys)

4-Early Use in Financial Systems: DES was widely adopted in the 1980s and 1990s for securing financial transactions, including ATM and point-of-sale (POS) systems.

5-Secure Communication System: DES was used in various secure communication systems, including government and military communications.

6-Industry Standards and Protocols: DES was incorporated into several industry standards and protocols such as ISO/IEC 10116 and FIPS PUB 46

Real-World Application of RSA:

1. Securing Email Communication

One of the most common applications of RSA is in securing email communication. Think of email as sending a digital postcard—without encryption, anyone who intercepts it, whether it's hackers, service providers, or unintended recipients, can read its content. RSA comes to the rescue by acting like a special envelope system. When sending an encrypted email, the sender uses the recipient's public key to secure the message. Once sealed, only the recipient's private key can access the contents.

2. Digital Signature and Document Verification

When someone is ready to send their document, they first create a digital signature using their private key. This signature is a unique piece of data that is attached to the document. When the recipient receives the document, they use the sender's public key, the counterpart to their private key, to verify the signature.

3. E-commerce and Online Shopping

Each time we add an item to our online cart and proceed to checkout, we're entrusting the platform with our most sensitive financial data. RSA plays a pivotal role here, much like a vigilant security guard ensuring that only the right people have access to the vault.

4. Encrypted Messaging Apps

This is where RSA encryption shines, especially in the realm of messaging apps. Encrypted messaging apps like WhatsApp, Telegram, and Signal use RSA, among other encryption techniques, to protect user communications.

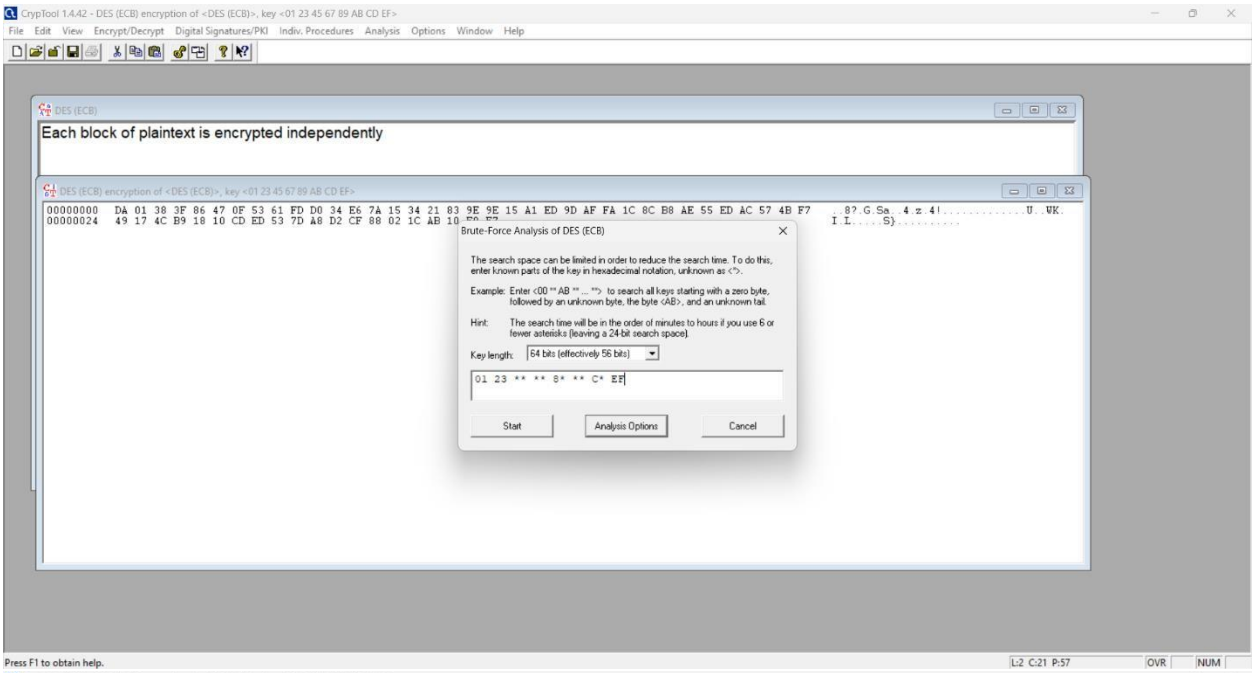
# Attack Simulation

**Brute-Force Analysis of DES (ECB Mode)**

In this part of the project, we performed a brute-force attack on a DES-encrypted message using the CrypTool software. The encryption was done in ECB (Electronic Codebook) mode, where each block of plaintext is encrypted independently.

1. **Setting Up the Brute-Force Search**: To start the brute-force analysis, we specified a partial key to reduce the search space. The key format we used was `01 23 ** ** ** ** AB CD EF`, where `**` represents unknown bytes. By fixing certain parts of the key and leaving others unknown, we were able to narrow down the range of possible keys that needed to be tested. This approach helped optimize the search process and reduced the time required to find the correct key.
2. **Running the Brute-Force Search**: After setting the parameters, we initiated the brute-force analysis. CrypTool systematically tested all possible key combinations within the specified range. As each key was tested, the tool checked to see if the resulting decryption produced a meaningful output. 3. **Results of the Brute-Force Search**: Upon completion of the search, CrypTool presented several potential keys along with their corresponding decrypted messages and entropy values. The correct key (`01234689ABCCEF`) was identified based on the message with the lowest entropy value, which indicates a more readable and meaningful decryption.

Through this process, we successfully demonstrated a brute-force attack on a DESencrypted message. This exercise illustrated the vulnerabilities of DES encryption, particularly in ECB mode, and underscored the importance of using more secure encryption algorithms and techniques in practical applications.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Brute-Force Analysis of DES (ECB)
The search space can be limited in order to reduce the search time. To do this, enter known parts of the key in hexadecimal notation, unknown as <*>.
Example: Enter <00 ** AB ** ... **> to search all keys starting with a zero byte, followed by an unknown byte, the byte <AB>, and an unknown tail.
Hint: The search time will be in the order of minutes to hours if you use 6 or fewer asterisks (leaving a 24-bit search space).
Key length: 64 bits (effectively 56 bits)
01 23 ** ** 8* ** C* EF
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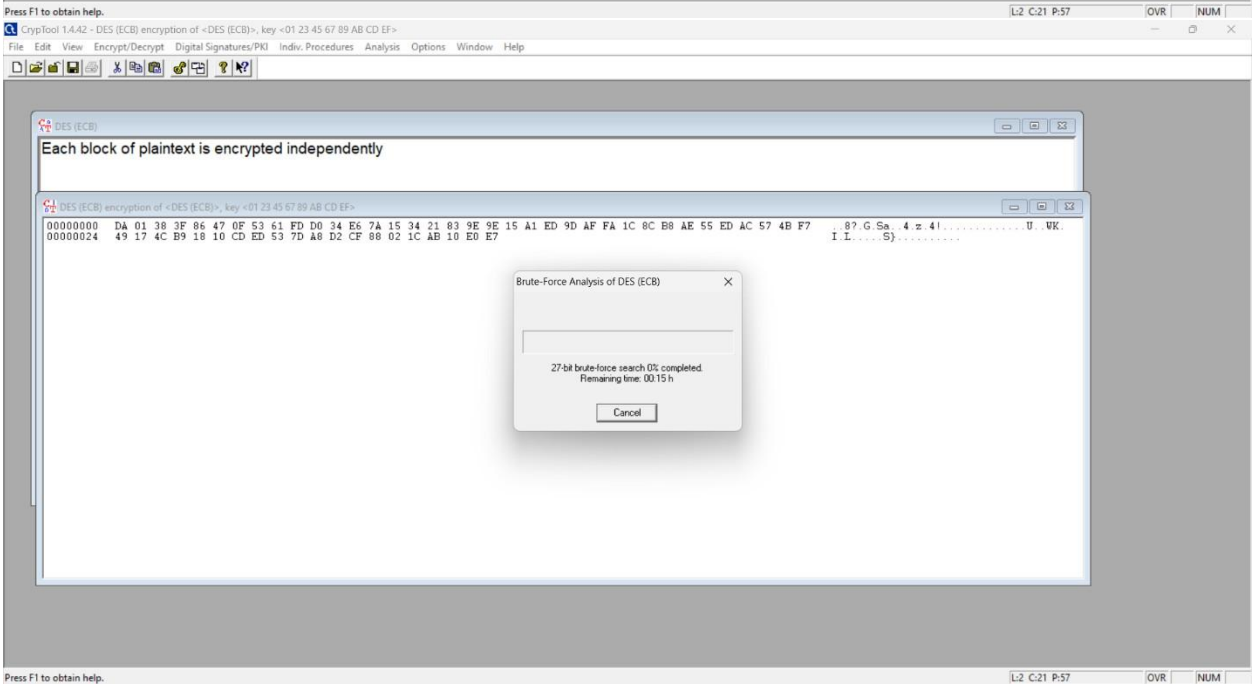
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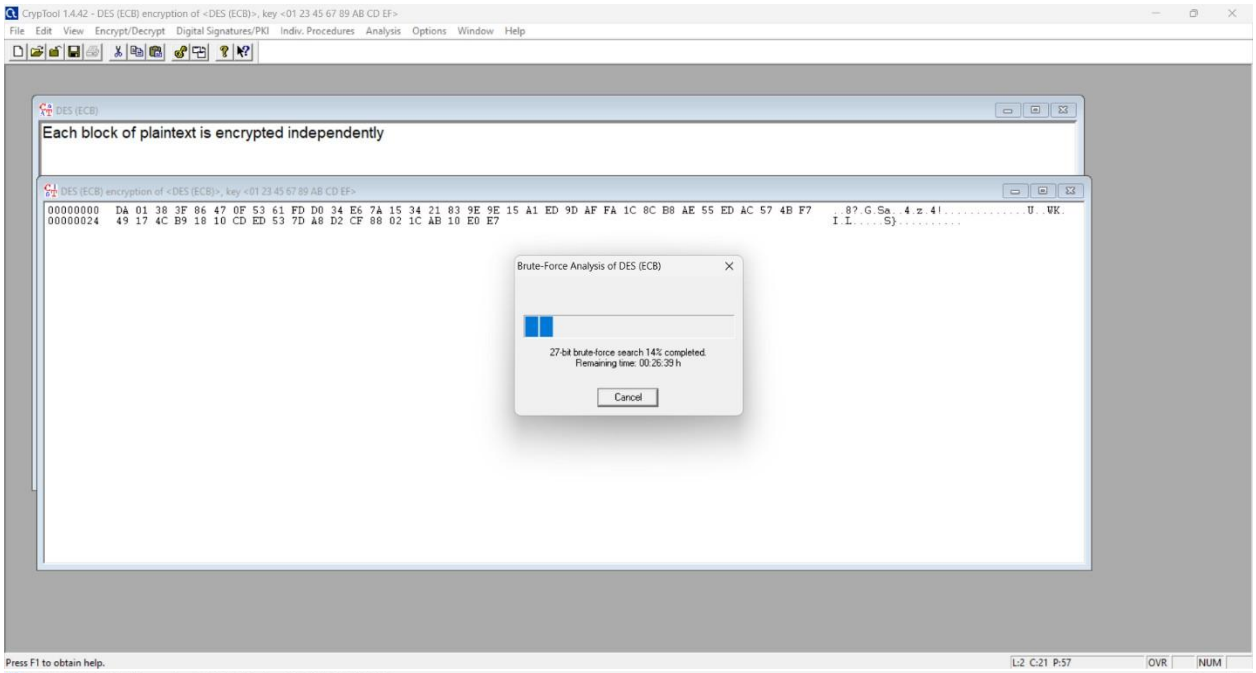
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Brute-Force Analysis of DES (ECB)
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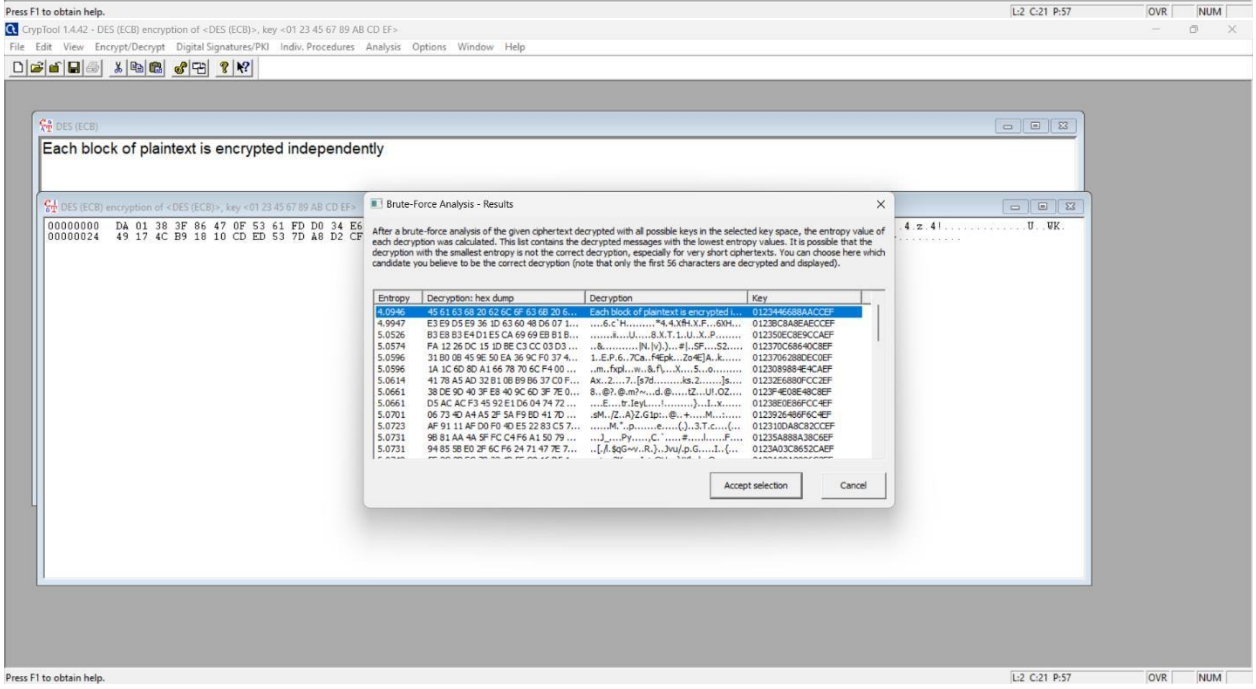
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Brute-Force Analysis - Results
After a brute-force analysis of the given ciphertext decrypted with all possible keys in the selected key space, the entropy value of each decryption was calculated. This list contains the decrypted messages with the lowest entropy values. It is possible that the decryption with the smallest entropy is not the correct decryption, especially for very short ciphertexts. You can choose here which candidate you believe to be the correct decryption (note that only the first 56 characters are decrypted and displayed).
Entropy
Decryption: hex dump
Decryption
Key
4.0946 45 61 63 68 20 62 6C 6F 63 6B 20 6... Each block of plaintext is encrypted i... 0123446688AACCEF
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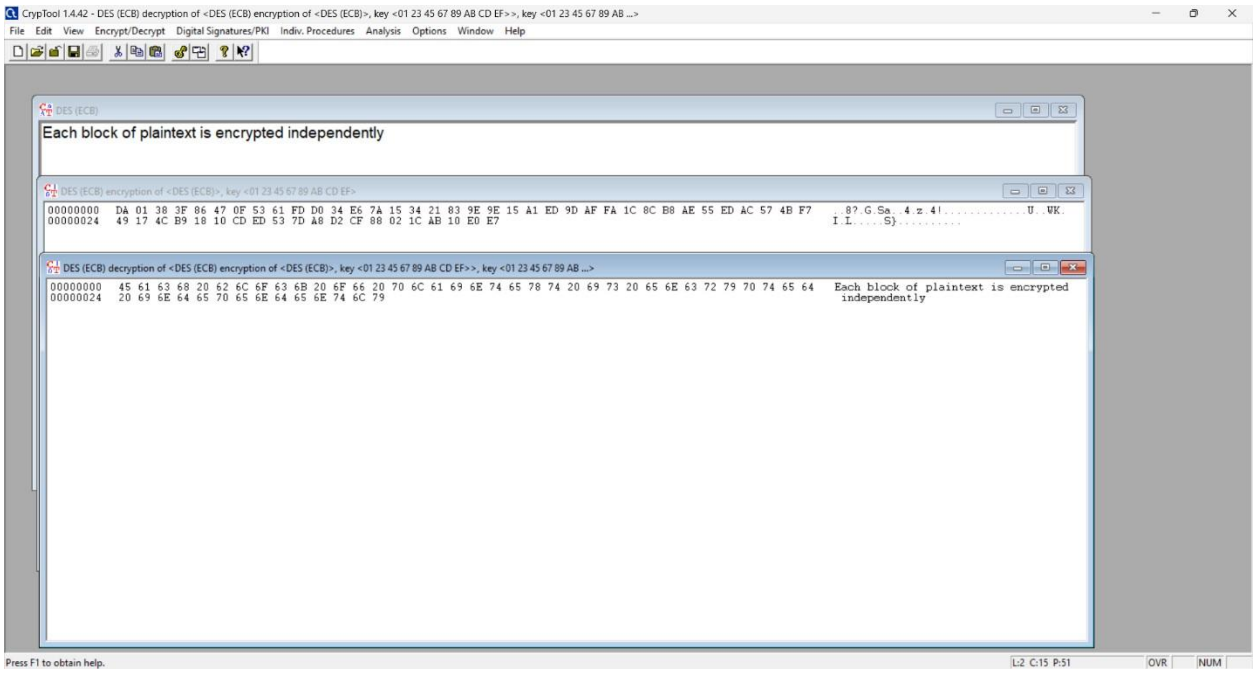
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Each block of plaintext is encrypted
independently
Press F1 to obtain help.
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# Conclusion

RSA (Rivest-Shamir-Adleman) is a widely used asymmetric cryptographic algorithm that employs a pair of keys: a public key for encryption and a private key for decryption. The security of RSA relies on the mathematical difficulty of factoring large prime numbers, making it highly secure for tasks such as secure data transmission, digital signatures, and key exchange. RSA is computationally intensive, making it suitable for encrypting small amounts of data or for securing encryption keys rather than bulk data.

DES (Data Encryption Standard) is a symmetric encryption algorithm that encrypts data using the same key for both encryption and decryption. DES operates on data blocks of 64 bits and is widely used despite being considered less secure due to its relatively short key length (56 bits). To enhance security, DES can be used in different modes of operation, such as CBC (Cipher Block Chaining) and ECB (Electronic Codebook).

DES in **CBC mode** adds an additional layer of security by incorporating a chaining mechanism where each plaintext block is XORed with the previous ciphertext block before being encrypted. This ensures that identical plaintext blocks result in different ciphertext blocks, reducing vulnerability to pattern analysis. In contrast, **ECB mode** encrypts each plaintext block independently, making it faster but less secure since identical plaintext blocks will produce identical ciphertext blocks. This lack of diffusion in ECB mode makes it more susceptible to certain types of attacks, particularly in scenarios where data patterns are predictable.

In conclusion, RSA provides strong security for key management and digital signatures, while DES, particularly in CBC mode, is more secure for bulk data encryption than ECB mode. However, due to advancements in cryptanalysis, DES is considered outdated, and stronger algorithms like AES are recommended for modern applications.

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