

## Task: Stream Cipher implementation:

Input a key  $K$  - 36 bytes (288 bits) and message  $M$  - of  $N$ -bytes  $8 * N$  bits to yield output  $C$  - also  $N$  bytes.

(The code should be able to handle  $N$  upto  $(2^{16} - 1)$ . The key is 36 bytes (288 bits), to be read from a binary file **Key**. The file should have at least 36 bytes and you read the first 36 bytes (even if file is longer).

The plaintext is also to be read from binary file, **Input** (it could be say a mp3 file or a jpg file or a text file).

The output - ciphertext is to be written to a binary file **Output**. All the file input - output should be done in bytes. The bits in a byte are to be read left to right (just as a convention).

The names of Input Output and Key files should NOT be hardcoded but passed on the command line as follows:

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$ python stream.py Input Output Key  
or for C++, if the executable is named stream  
$ stream Input Output Key
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The decryption will be achieved by the same command:

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$ python stream.py Output decoded_input Key  
$ stream Output decoded_input Key
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The streamcipher algorithm would generate a stream of bytes  $\{z[t]\}$

(depending upon the key) and if the message bytes are  $m[0], m[1], \dots, m[N-1]$ , then the bytes of the ciphertext  $c[0], c[1], \dots, c[N-1]$  are defined as follows:

$$c[j] = m[j] \oplus z[j], \quad 0 \leq j < N$$

The streamcipher algorithm depends upon 8-LFSRs specified and a permutation  $P$  of the set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 255\}$ .

These are specified below:

For  $i = 0, 1, \dots, 7$ , the  $i^{th}$  LFSR has degree  $n[i]$  and primitive polynomial  $p[i]$  specified below by:

$$\begin{aligned} n[0] &= 41, \quad p[0](x) = x^{41} + x^3 + 1, \\ n[1] &= 29, \quad p[1](x) = x^{29} + x^2 + 1, \\ n[2] &= 39, \quad p[2](x) = x^{39} + x^4 + 1, \\ n[3] &= 31, \quad p[3](x) = x^{31} + x^3 + 1, \\ n[4] &= 35, \quad p[4](x) = x^{35} + x^2 + 1, \\ n[5] &= 28, \quad p[5](x) = x^{28} + x^3 + 1, \\ n[6] &= 49, \quad p[6](x) = x^{49} + x^9 + 1, \\ n[7] &= 36, \quad p[7](x) = x^{36} + x^{11} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $P$  be a permutation of  $\{0, 1, \dots, 255\}$  given by (chosen randomly)

$P = \{99, 217, 3, 113, 189, 127, 235, 224, 120, 142, 79, 78, 24, 45, 218, 177, 198, 141, 203, 51, 251, 181,$   
 $163, 112, 4, 67, 91, 216, 240, 164, 124, 146, 28, 172, 81, 75, 61, 36, 212, 93, 144, 11, 26, 237, 219,$   
 $94, 44, 66, 35, 122, 173, 135, 100, 73, 200, 76, 145, 117, 211, 126, 92, 132, 202, 232, 82, 154, 210, 129,$   
 $201, 8, 41, 214, 152, 161, 182, 220, 98, 1, 248, 187, 239, 231, 77, 85, 68, 165, 25, 138, 155, 27, 30, 206,$   
 $43, 131, 209, 125, 195, 140, 153, 225, 247, 37, 207, 255, 80, 84, 188, 33, 22, 7, 167, 105, 16, 72, 108,$   
 $139, 13, 34, 168, 242, 191, 160, 205, 107, 147, 169, 47, 49, 171, 222, 101, 159, 70, 204, 223, 233, 38,$   
 $236, 65, 234, 254, 151, 118, 19, 57, 229, 158, 116, 20, 150, 40, 197, 137, 143, 10, 157, 14, 175, 252, 123,$   
 $136, 134, 64, 246, 42, 21, 62, 111, 249, 149, 109, 90, 60, 128, 186, 199, 88, 87, 48, 253, 102, 148, 74, 133,$   
 $58, 213, 23, 54, 115, 121, 228, 31, 174, 55, 0, 170, 185, 166, 190, 178, 18, 59, 179, 110, 196, 245, 238,$   
 $162, 156, 63, 53, 130, 71, 15, 184, 12, 97, 89, 5, 183, 17, 104, 106, 103, 250, 243, 9, 50, 56, 114, 227, 86,$   
 $29, 180, 208, 244, 96, 241, 52, 32, 83, 221, 95, 192, 2, 193, 6, 230, 226, 46, 176, 119, 215, 194, 39, 69\}$

The parameters  $n[i]$ ,  $0 \leq i < 8$  and the primitive polynomials  $p[i]$ ,  $0 \leq i < 8$  as well as the permutation  $P$  are to be hardcoded in the program file.

Details of algorithm that would generate  $\{z[t] : 0 \leq t < N\}$ .

The initial bits of the 8-LFSR's:

$$\{x[i][j] : 0 \leq j < n[i], 0 \leq i < 8\}$$

are specified as follows:

From the keyfile - the code should read first 288 bits and set  $K : k[0], k[1], \dots, k[287]$  (36 bytes) and let  $s[0] = 0$ , for  $1 \leq i < 8$  let  $s[i] = s[i-1] + n[i-1]$  and

$$x[i][j] = k[s[i] + j], 0 \leq j < n[i], 0 \leq i < 8.$$

If the key file has **ABCDEF...**, then the first 6 characters are ABCDEF and in ASCII/ UTF-8 code will be 65,66,67,68,69,70 - in bits it would read: (for easy counting, I am alternating colours after 8-bits)

**010000010100001001000011010001000100010101000110**

Thus,  $x[0][0], x[0][1], \dots, x[0][41]$  would be

**010000010100001001000011010001000100010101**

Denoting the coefficients of the polynomials  $p[i], 0 \leq i < 8$  as

$$p[i] = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n[i]} c[i][j]x^j$$

the  $i^{th}$  LFSR's defines a sequence of bits of arbitrary finite length  $N^*$  by

$$x[i][t] = \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n[i]} c[i][j] \otimes x[i][t-j] \right) \text{ modulo } 2, \quad n[i] \leq t < n[i] + N^*$$

Using the array (2dim)

$$\{x[i][t] : n[i] \leq t < n[i] + N + 4, 0 \leq i < 8\}$$

we define (2dim) arrays

$\{a[i][t], b[i][t], c[i][t]\}$  for  $0 \leq t < N$ ,  $0 \leq i < 8$  as follows:

Let  $h[i] = (i + 3) \bmod 8$  and  $g[i] = (i + 5) \bmod 8$  and

$$a[i][t] = x[i][n[i] + t]$$

$$b[i][t] = x[h[i]][n[h[i]] + t + 2]$$

$$c[i][t] = x[g[i]][n[g[i]] + t + 5]$$

Let  $f(a, b, c) = (a \otimes c) \oplus (b \otimes (1 + \oplus c))$ .

Let (1-dim) arrays  $u, v, w, z$  be defined by, for  $0 \leq t < N$

$$u[t] = \sum_{i=0}^7 2^i f(a[i][t], b[i][t], c[i][t])$$

$$v[t] = \sum_{i=0}^7 2^i f(b[i][t], c[i][t], a[i][t])$$

$$w[t] = \sum_{i=0}^7 2^i f(c[i][t], a[i][t], b[i][t])$$

and

$$z[t] = P[u[t]] \oplus P[v[t]] \oplus P[w[t]]$$

This completes the description of the algorithm.