

Types of Symmetric Key Algorithms/Ciphers

Stream cipher

➔ Each bit is encrypted independently in a “stream”

RC4 - Rivest Cipher 4 (now deprecated)

Salsa20

Block cipher

➔ Blocks of data are encrypted in rounds

- Encryption standards

DES (and 3DES) - Data Encryption Standard (now deprecated)

AES - Advanced Encryption Standard

- Block cipher modes of operation

Random Number Generator

```
int getRandomNumber()  
{  
    return 4; // chosen by fair dice roll.  
             // guaranteed to be random.  
}
```

True Random Number Generator

➔ No, because we want to be able to encrypt and decrypt

Pseudo-Random Generator

➔ Stretch a fixed-size seed to obtain an unbounded random sequence

