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RandomShift AES Encryption and Decryption Program

Design a logic

01). generateKey() function

Purpose: generate a 256bit AES encryption key

How it works: using AES algorithm create a AES encryption key use for encryption and decryption

02). keyToString() function

Purpose: convert secret objects to string for easier storage and shearing.

How it works: using base64 encoding covert the byte array of the key

Step 03). StringToKey() function

Purpose: convert a string format of a key back to secret key

How it works: This function takes the Base64-encoded key and returns bytes. Then, reconstructs the SecretKey using the bytes obtained with a new SecretKeySpec that specifies the AES algorithm.

04.) encrypt() function

Purpose: Encodes a message with AES and applies some random character shift for extra obscurity.

How it works:

- Creates an AES Cipher instance with encryption, using the provided SecretKey.
- Encrypts the body of message bytes and encodes to Base64
- Creates a random shift (1-10) and then shifts only characters of the encrypted string with this value(shiftString).
- Here it returns the shift value and shifted encrypted message in a single string separated by a colon, to make sure decrypt method knows how much offset was done.

5. Decrypt() function

Purpose: For decrypting the message by inverting the random shift and employing AES encryption algorithm.

How it works:

- Divides the input string into the shift and shifted messages with the use of split(":")
- Determines a new shift in order to undo character shift by making use of negative of the shiftString.
- Recovers bytes from the Base64 encoded reversed string: through this step in essence it is all RSIW position already.
- With the provided SecretKey, these bytes are decrypted with the AES Cipher in decryption mode.
- Reestablishes the potentially altered bytes having been decrypted back to a string that gives out the original message.

6. shiftString () function

Purpose: Shifts positions of each character in the string lines up to a given number of positions of that character.

How it works: For each character position in the input string, the shift amount is added (or subtracted during decryption) to that character's ASCII code, and the result is kept in a StringBuilder. As a result, a shifted string is produced.

7. Main Class

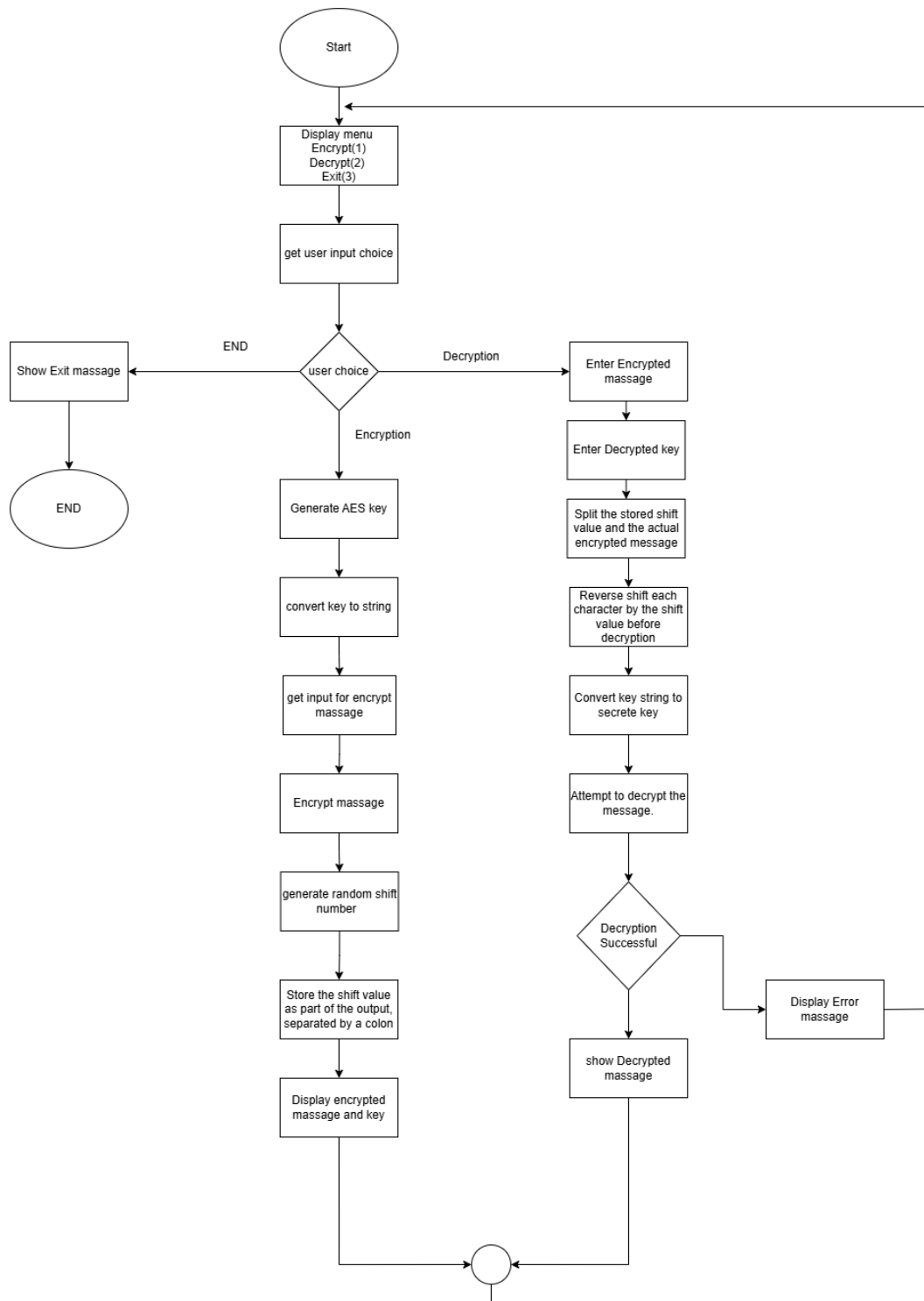
Purpose: Lets the user interact with the program in a way that they are able to encrypt messages or decrypt messages or exit.

How it works

- Employs a loop that repeatedly asks the user to take an action which is either Encrypt a message, Decrypt a message or Exit the program.
- In case He chooses Encrypt:
- Invokes generateKey and creates an encryption key which is then converted to string format using keyToString while asking the user for a message.
- Allows for the message to be compressed using encrypt and provides the recipient with the concealed message and the encryption key.

- In case He chooses Decrypt:
- After an encrypted message and a key string is entered, the system converts the key string to SecretKey using stringToKey and tries to decrypt using decrypt.
- Provided that this succeeds, the user is shown the message that was decrypted, in the other case an error is displayed that decryption attempts had been unsuccessful.
- In case He chooses Exit: Closes the application.

Flow Chart



Pseudo Code

Pseudo Logic for Encryption Process

FUNCTION generateKey()

// Generate a new AES key of 256 bits
INITIALIZE KeyGenerator for "AES"
SET keyGen to KeyGenerator instance
INITIALIZE keyGen with 256 bits
RETURN keyGen.generateKey()

FUNCTION keyToString(secretKey)

// Convert the SecretKey to a Base64 encoded string
RETURN Base64.encode(secretKey.encoded)

FUNCTION stringToKey(keyStr)

// Decode the Base64 string back to bytes
SET decodedKey to Base64.decode(keyStr)
RETURN new SecretKeySpec(decodedKey, "AES")

FUNCTION encrypt(message, secretKey)

// Initialize AES cipher in encrypt mode
INITIALIZE cipher with "AES"
cipher.init(ENCRYPT_MODE, secretKey)

// Encrypt the message
SET encryptedBytes to cipher.doFinal(message.bytes)
SET encryptedMessage to Base64.encode(encryptedBytes)

// Generate a random shift value between 1 and 10
SET shift to random integer between 1 and 10
SET shiftedMessage to shiftString(encryptedMessage, shift)

// Return shift value and shifted message
RETURN shift + ":" + shiftedMessage

FUNCTION decrypt(shiftedMessageWithKey, secretKey)

// Split the input into shift value and shifted message
SET parts to split(shiftedMessageWithKey, ":")
SET shift to integer(parts[0])
SET shiftedMessage to parts[1]

// Reverse the character shift
SET encryptedMessage to shiftString(shiftedMessage, -shift)

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// Initialize AES cipher in decrypt mode  
INITIALIZE cipher with "AES"  
cipher.init(DECRYPT_MODE, secretKey)
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```
// Decrypt the message  
SET decodedBytes to Base64.decode(encryptedMessage)  
SET decryptedBytes to cipher.doFinal(decodedBytes)  
RETURN decryptedBytes as string
```

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FUNCTION shiftString(input, shift)  
  // Shift each character in the input string  
  INITIALIZE shifted to empty string  
  FOR each character c in input DO  
    APPEND (c + shift) to shifted  
  RETURN shifted
```

```
FUNCTION main()  
  INITIALIZE scanner for console input  
  SET continueProgram to true
```

```
WHILE continueProgram DO  
  PRINT "Would you like to (1) Encrypt, (2) Decrypt, or (3) Exit?"  
  READ choice
```

```
  SWITCH choice DO  
    CASE 1: // Encryption flow  
      SET secretKey to generateKey()  
      SET keyString to keyToString(secretKey)  
  
      PRINT "Enter a message to encrypt:"  
      READ message  
  
      SET encryptedMessage to encrypt(message, secretKey)  
      PRINT "Encrypted Message: " + encryptedMessage  
      PRINT "Encryption Key (save this securely): " + keyString
```

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    CASE 2: // Decryption flow  
      PRINT "Enter the encrypted message to decrypt:"  
      READ encryptedInput
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      PRINT "Enter the key for decryption:"  
      READ keyInput
```

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    TRY  
      SET userKey to stringToKey(keyInput)  
      SET decryptedMessage to decrypt(encryptedInput, userKey)
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        PRINT "Decrypted Message: " + decryptedMessage
    CATCH Exception
        PRINT "Decryption failed: Incorrect key or message format."

CASE 3: // Exit
    SET continueProgram to false
    PRINT "Exiting the program. Goodbye!"

DEFAULT:
    PRINT "Invalid choice. Please select 1 for Encryption, 2 for Decryption, or 3 to
Exit."
```

Verify the logic

Encryption Process

Step 01

Run program

```
"C:\Program Files\Java\jdk-17\bin\java.exe" "-javaagent:C:\Progr

Would you like to (1) Encrypt, (2) Decrypt, or (3) Exit?
```

Step 02

Choice option to encrypt

```
Would you like to (1) Encrypt, (2) Decrypt, or (3) Exit?
1
Enter a message to encrypt: |
```

Step 03

Enter message to encrypt

```
Would you like to (1) Encrypt, (2) Decrypt, or (3) Exit?  
1  
Enter a message to encrypt: CAT
```

Step 04

Output encrypted message and encrypted key

```
Enter a message to encrypt: CAT  
Encrypted Message: 10:=<~PWB1>:^[]Y[]t[]CUoAR[GG  
Encryption Key (save this securely): Bqu8dG9lCg5g4/JFP0XrH0QMjrTDlKAHnJYQaJE0xro=
```

Decryption Process

Step 01

Choice option to decrypt

```
Would you like to (1) Encrypt, (2) Decrypt, or (3) Exit?  
2  
Enter the encrypted message to decrypt:
```

Step 02

Enter encrypted message and encrypted key

```
Would you like to (1) Encrypt, (2) Decrypt, or (3) Exit?  
2  
Enter the encrypted message to decrypt: 10:=<~PWB1>:^[]Y[]t[]CUoAR[GG  
Enter the key for decryption: Bqu8dG9lCg5g4/JFP0XrH0QMjrTDlKAHnJYQaJE0xro=
```

Step 03

Output decrypted message

```
Would you like to (1) Encrypt, (2) Decrypt, or (3) Exit?  
2  
Enter the encrypted message to decrypt: 10:=<~PWB1>:^[]Y[]t[]CUoAR[GG  
Enter the key for decryption: Bqu8dG9lCg5g4/JFP0XrH0QMjrTDlKAHnJYQaJE0xro=  
Decrypted Message: CAT
```