

MODERN CRYPTOGRAPHY



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WHAT IS MODERN CRYPTOGRAPHY?

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CLASSICAL VS. MODERN CRYPTOGRAPHY

CLASSICAL CRYPTOGRAPHY

- Treated as an **art**.
- Used primarily for **secret military communication**.
- Relied on **pencil and paper**.
- Used the **same key for both encryption and decryption**.

MODERN CRYPTOGRAPHY

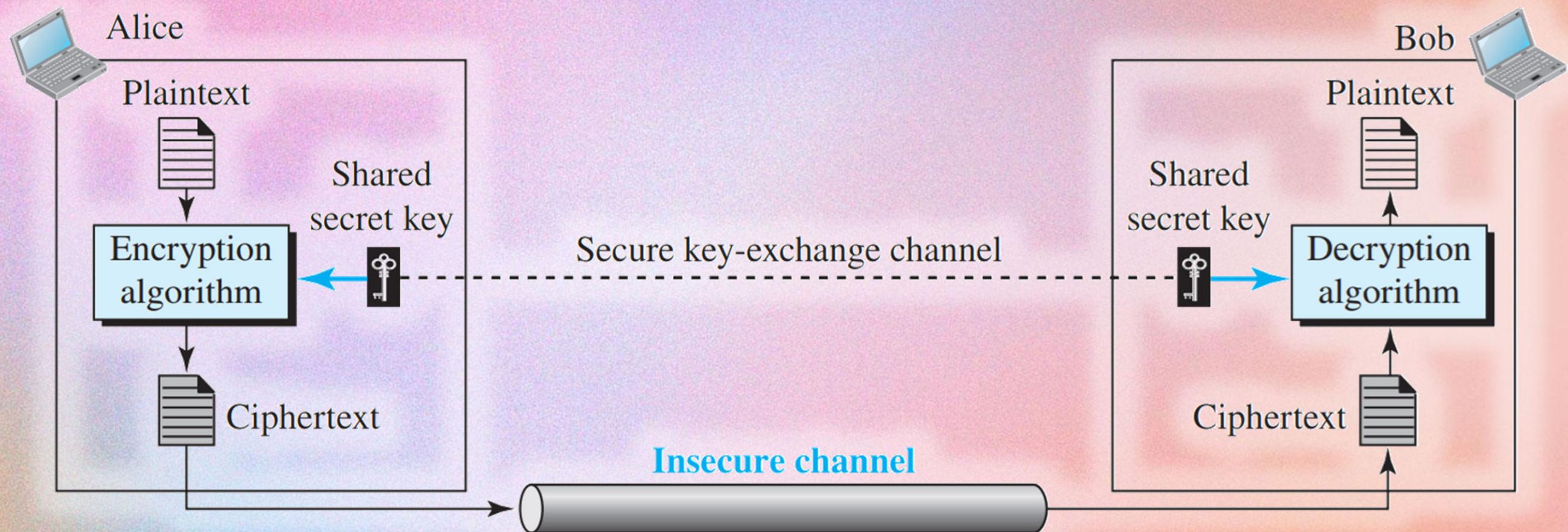
- Treated as a **science**.
- Solves **confidentiality, authentication, and secure protocols**.
- Powered by **computers and complex algorithms**.
- Offers **different key options** for encryption (public key) and decryption (private key).

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MODERN ENCRYPTION ALGORITHMS

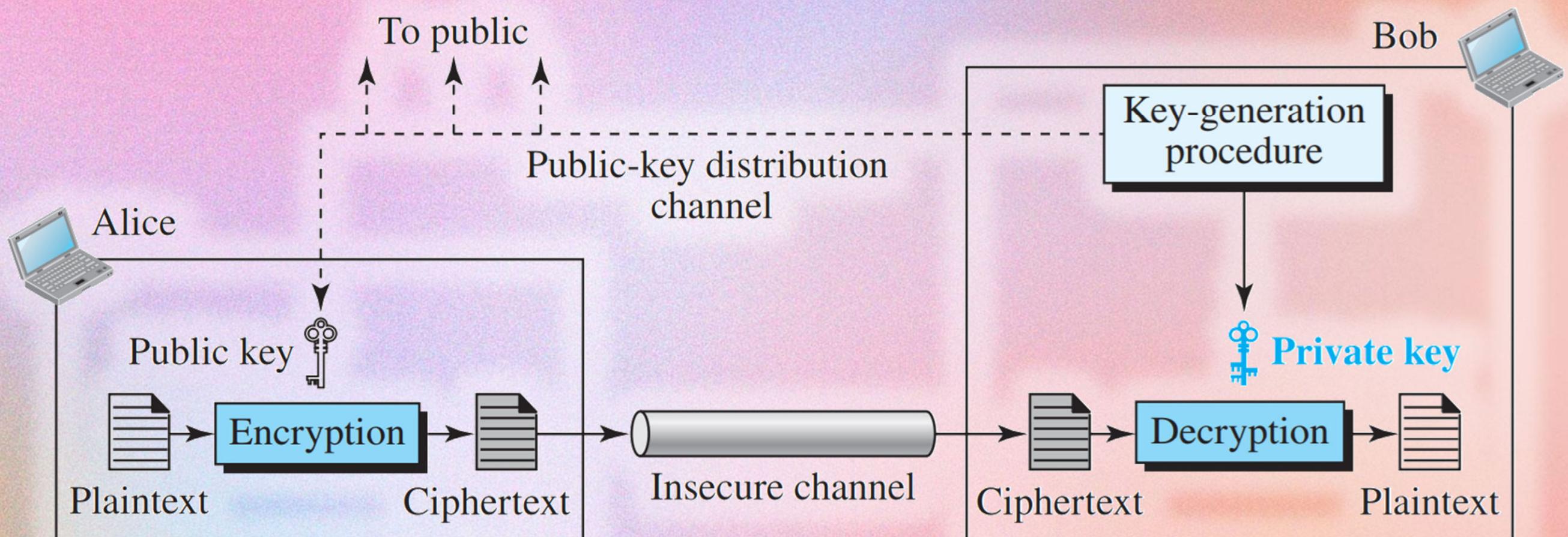
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SYMMETRIC-KEY CIPHER



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Data Encryption Standard

Advanced Encryption Standard

DATA ENCRYPTION STANDARD

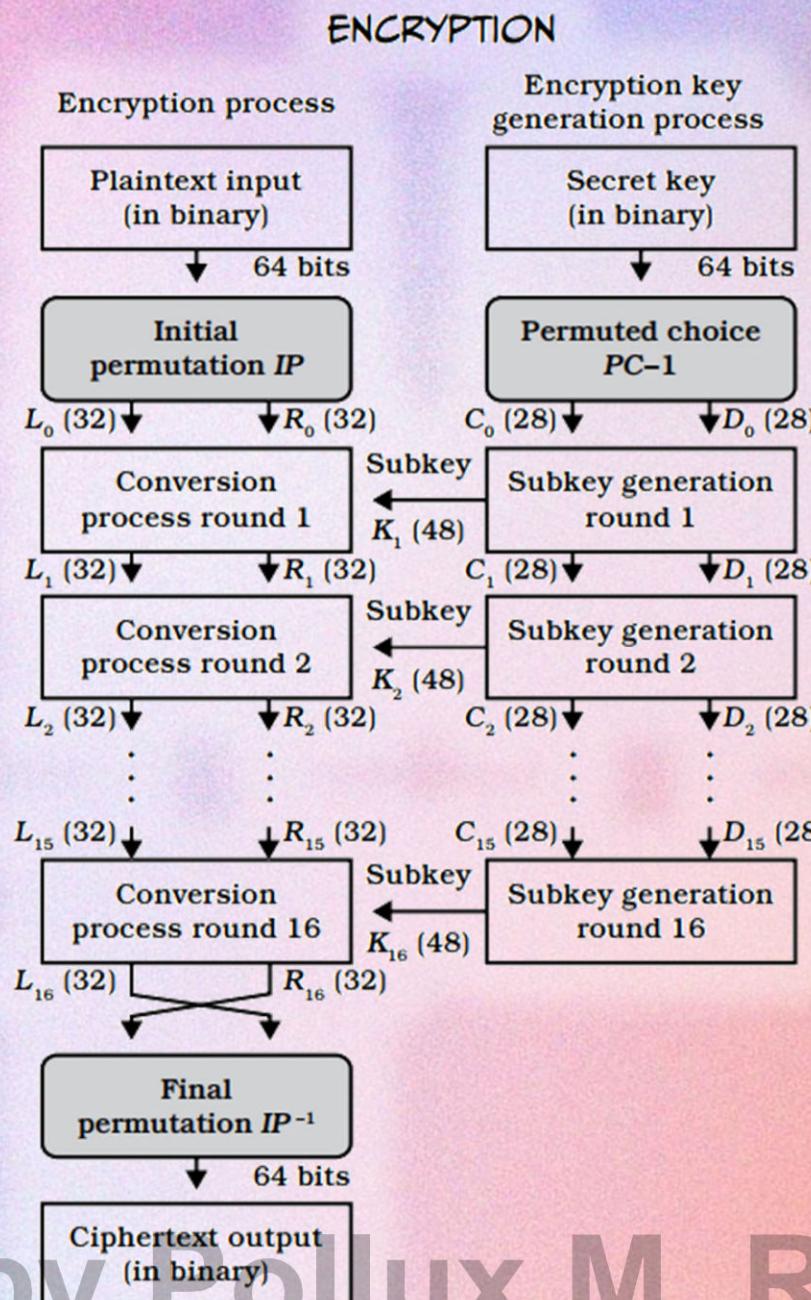
An **early data encryption standard** endorsed by the U.S. National Bureau of Standards (now NIST) and **developed by IBM** in the 1970s.

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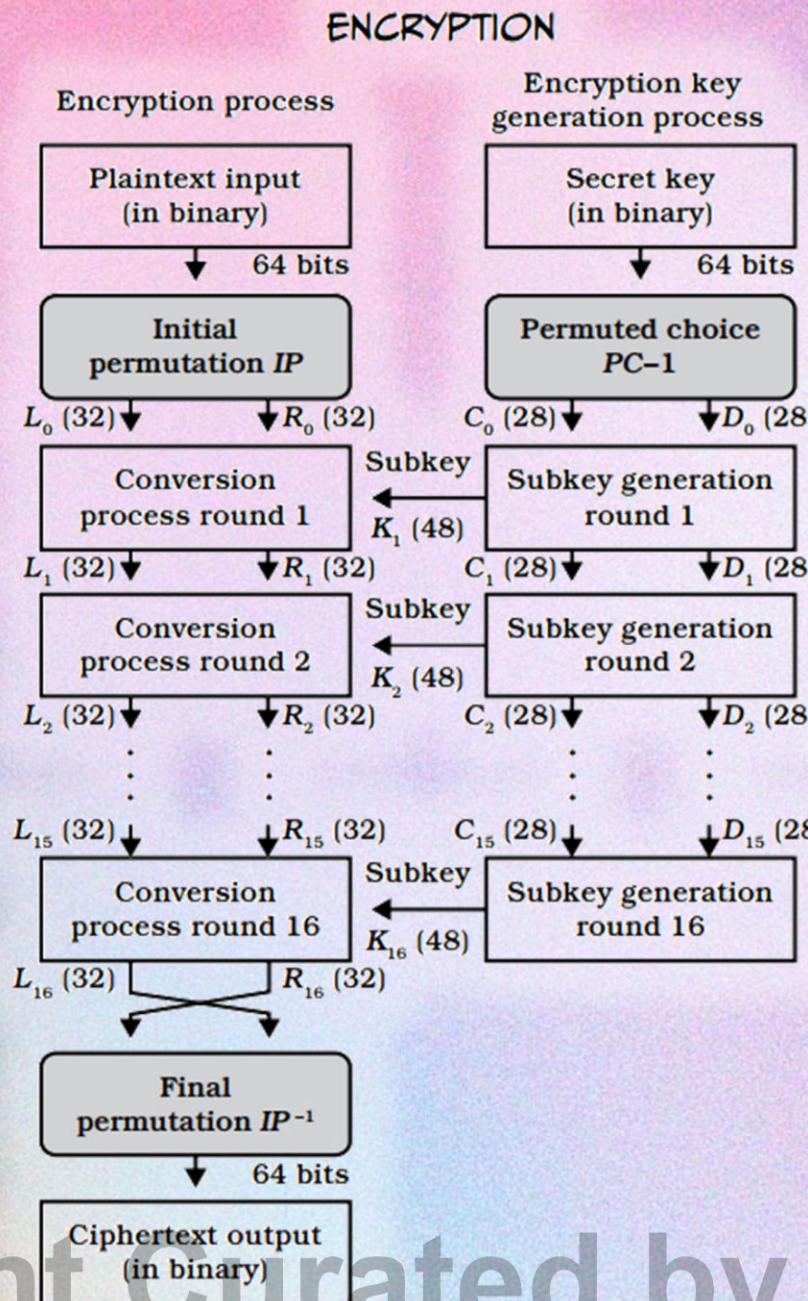


- It was based on IBM's patented **Lucifer algorithm**, developed by **Horst Feistel**.
- It was evaluated in secret consultations between the **NBS and the U.S. National Security Agency (NSA)**.
- **Modifications included reducing the key size to 56 bits.**
- The final version of DES was **adopted as a federal standard in 1976 and published in 1977**.
- It was approved for use in **unclassified U.S. government applications**.
- DES also became widely used in **financial transactions, particularly in electronic fund transfers**.

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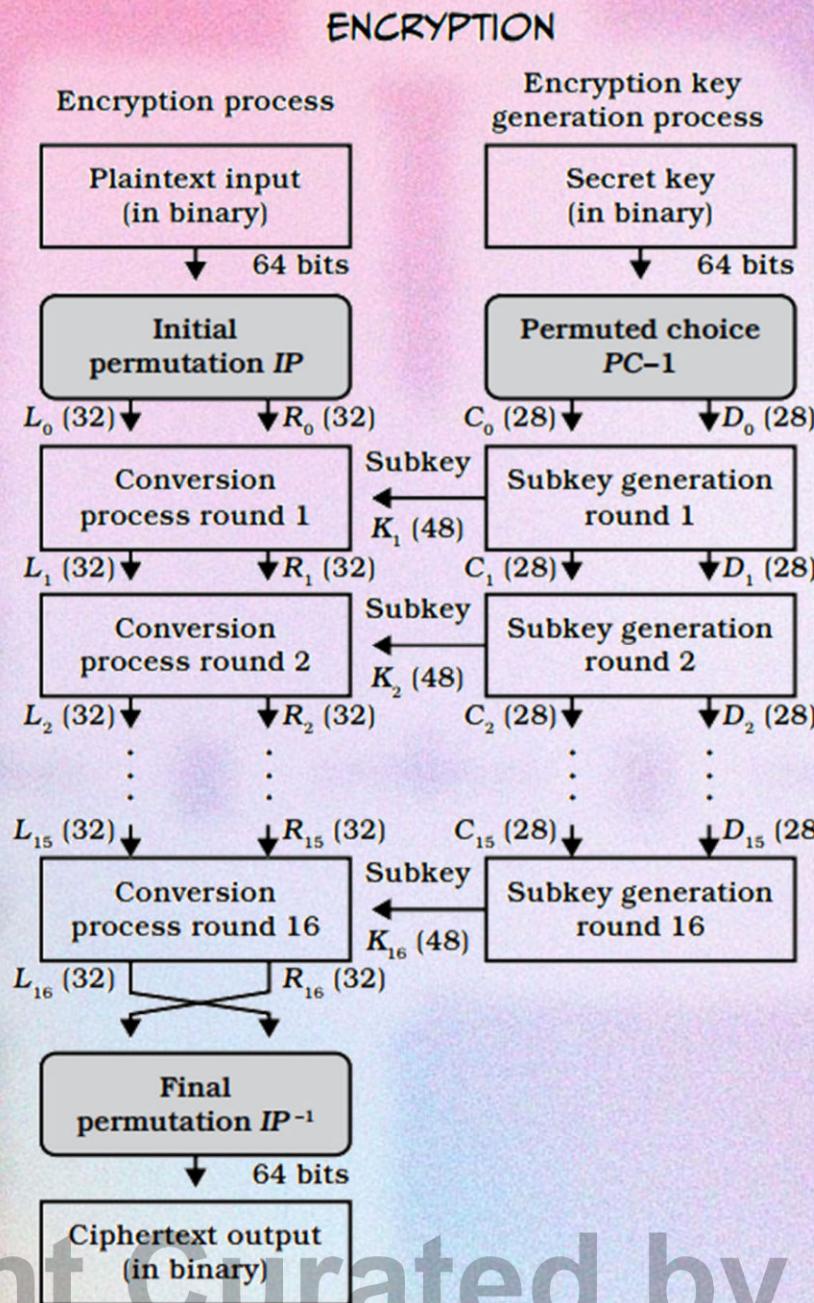


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It is a product block cipher.

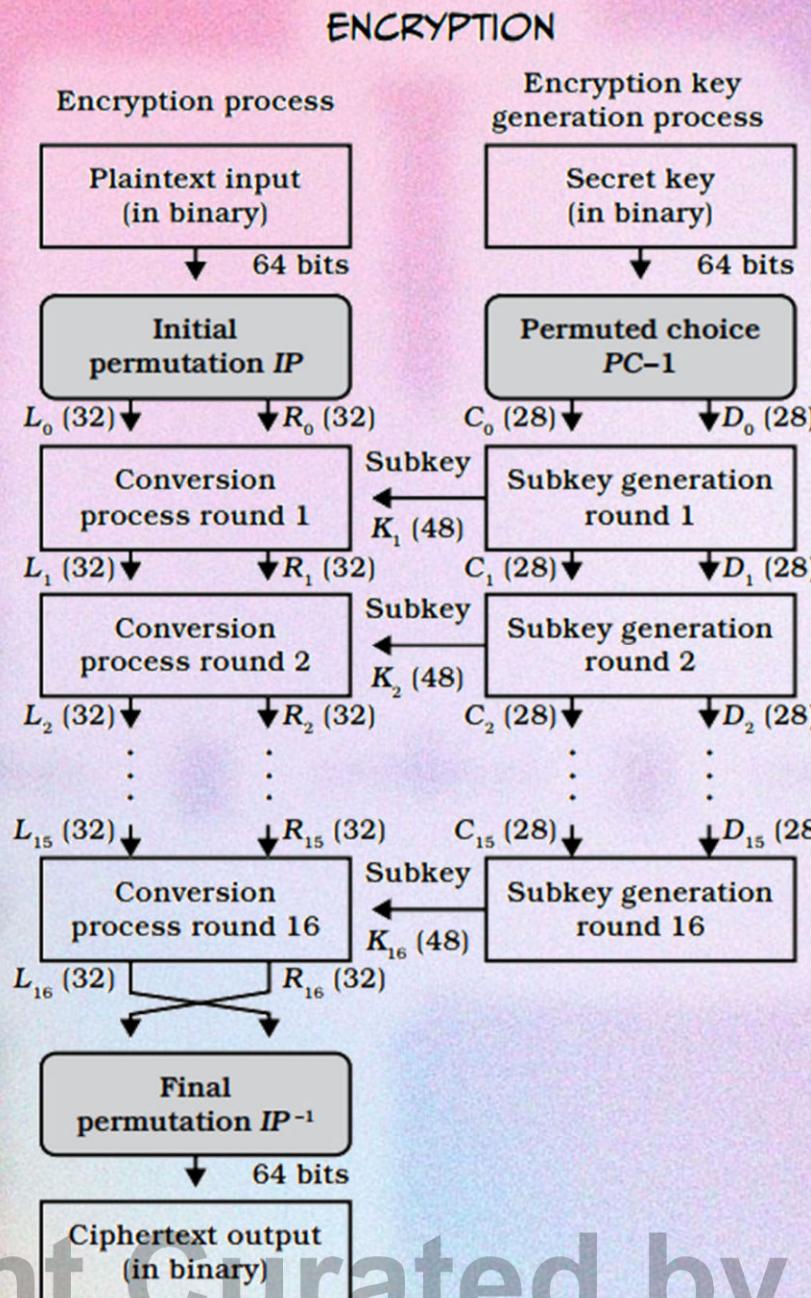
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Product Cipher

Combining multiple transposition or substitution ciphers, which may result in a more secure encryption.

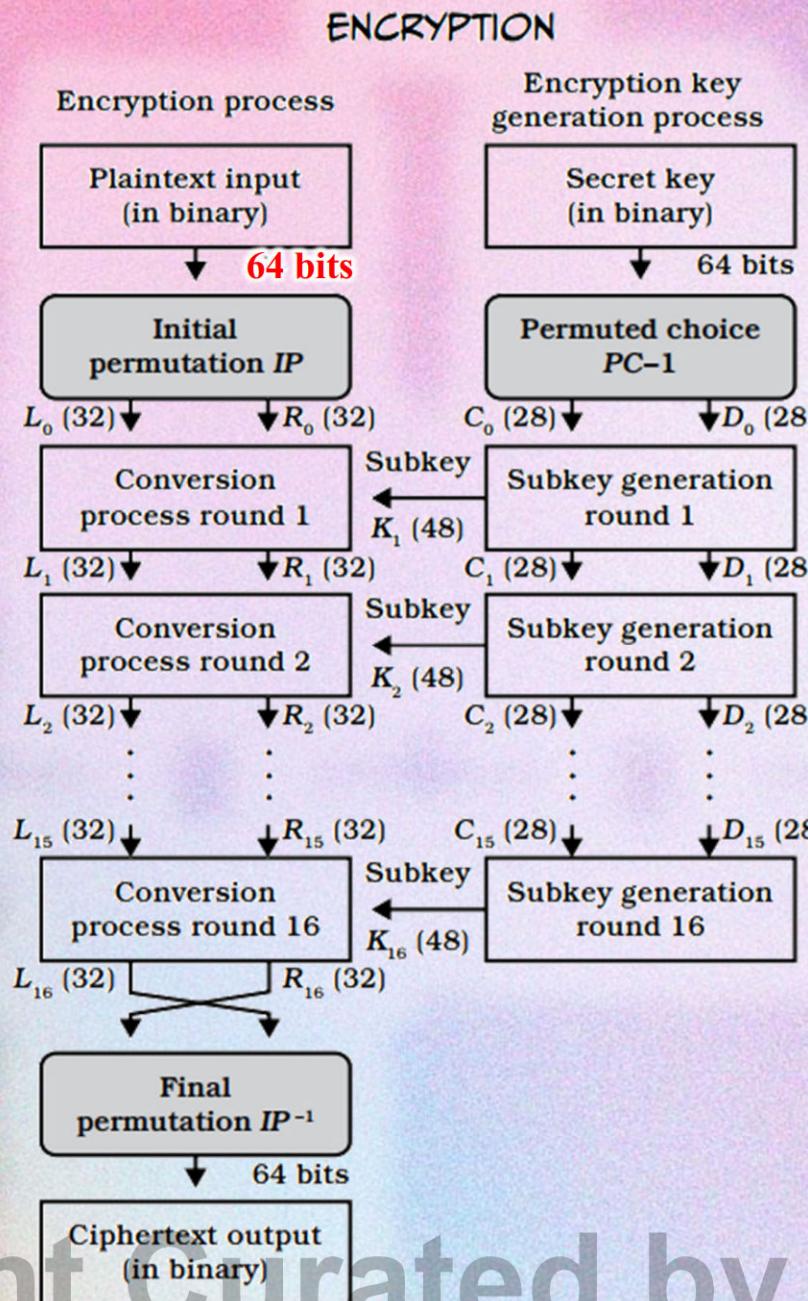
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Block Cipher

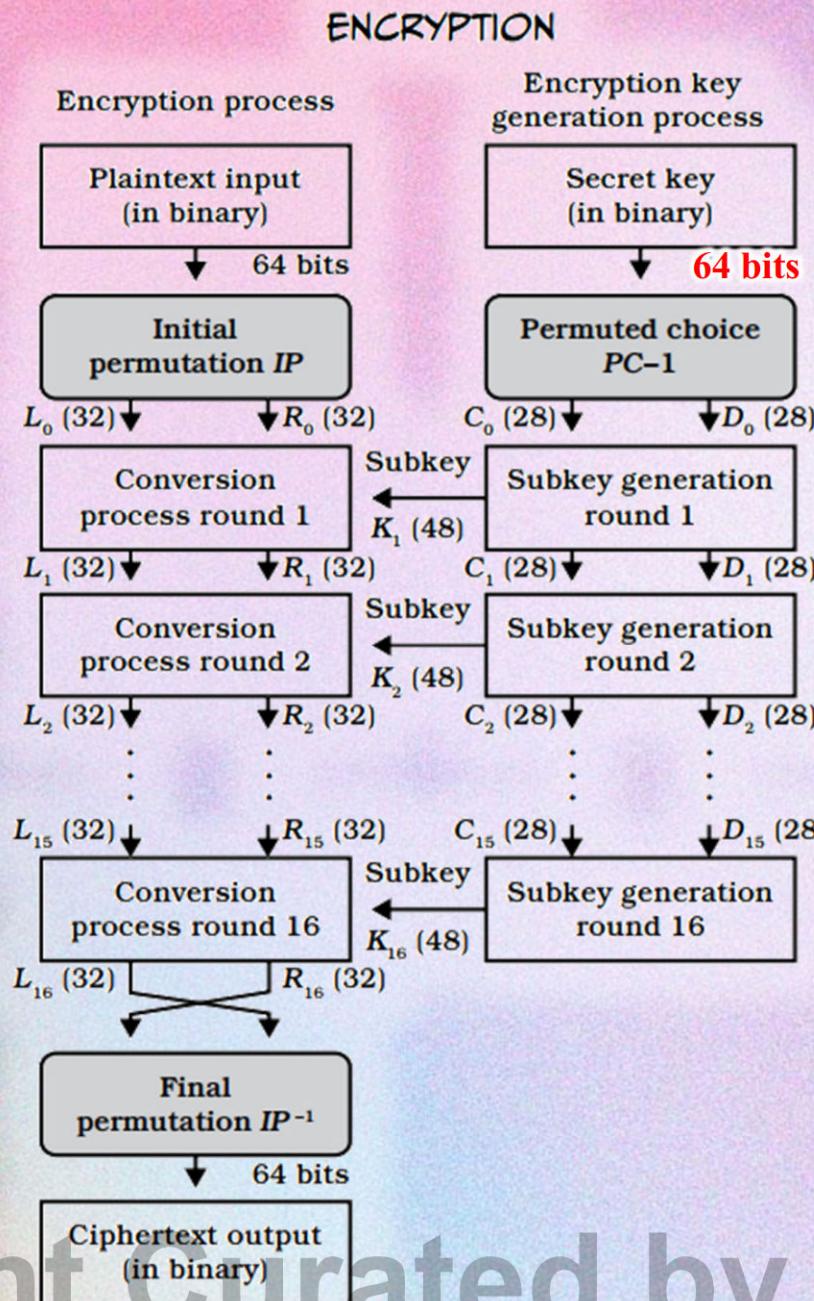
Breaks the plaintext **into blocks of the same size** for encryption using a **common key**.

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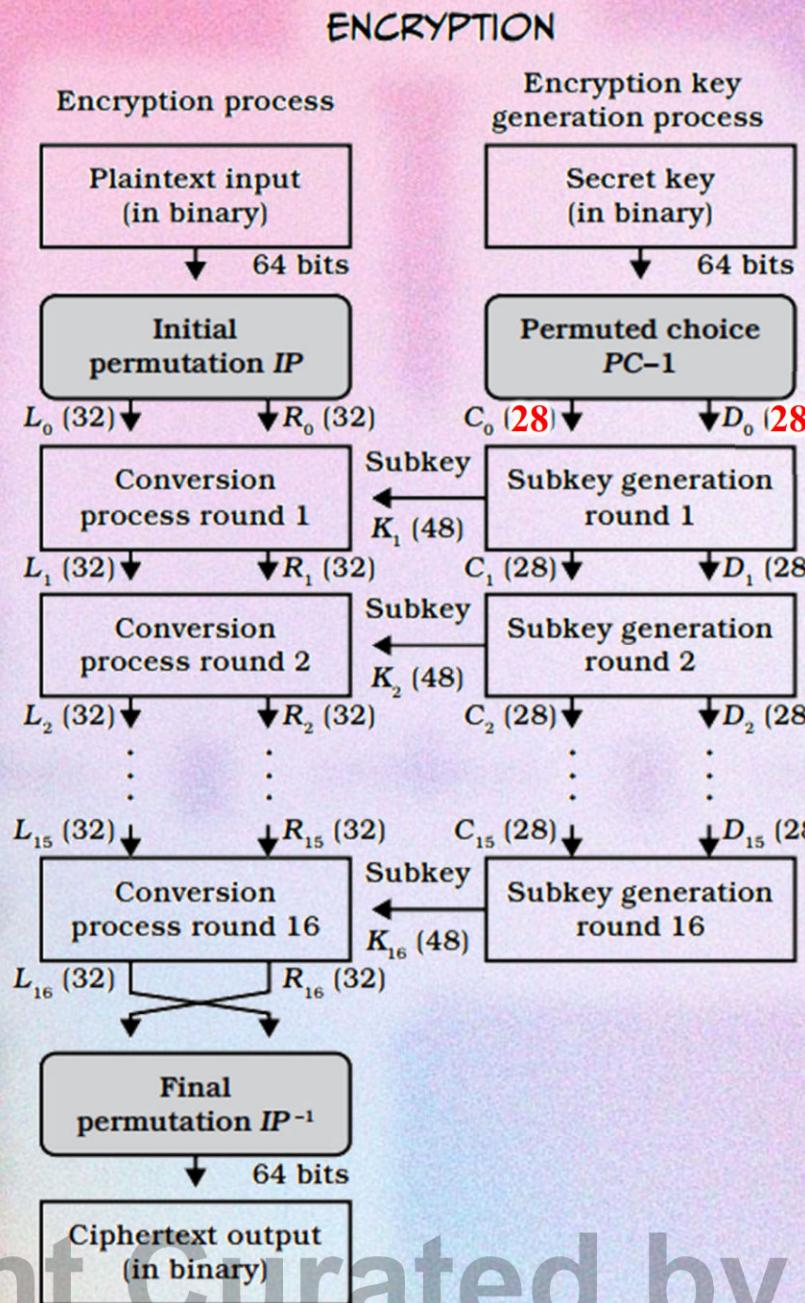
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DATA ENCRYPTION STANDARD



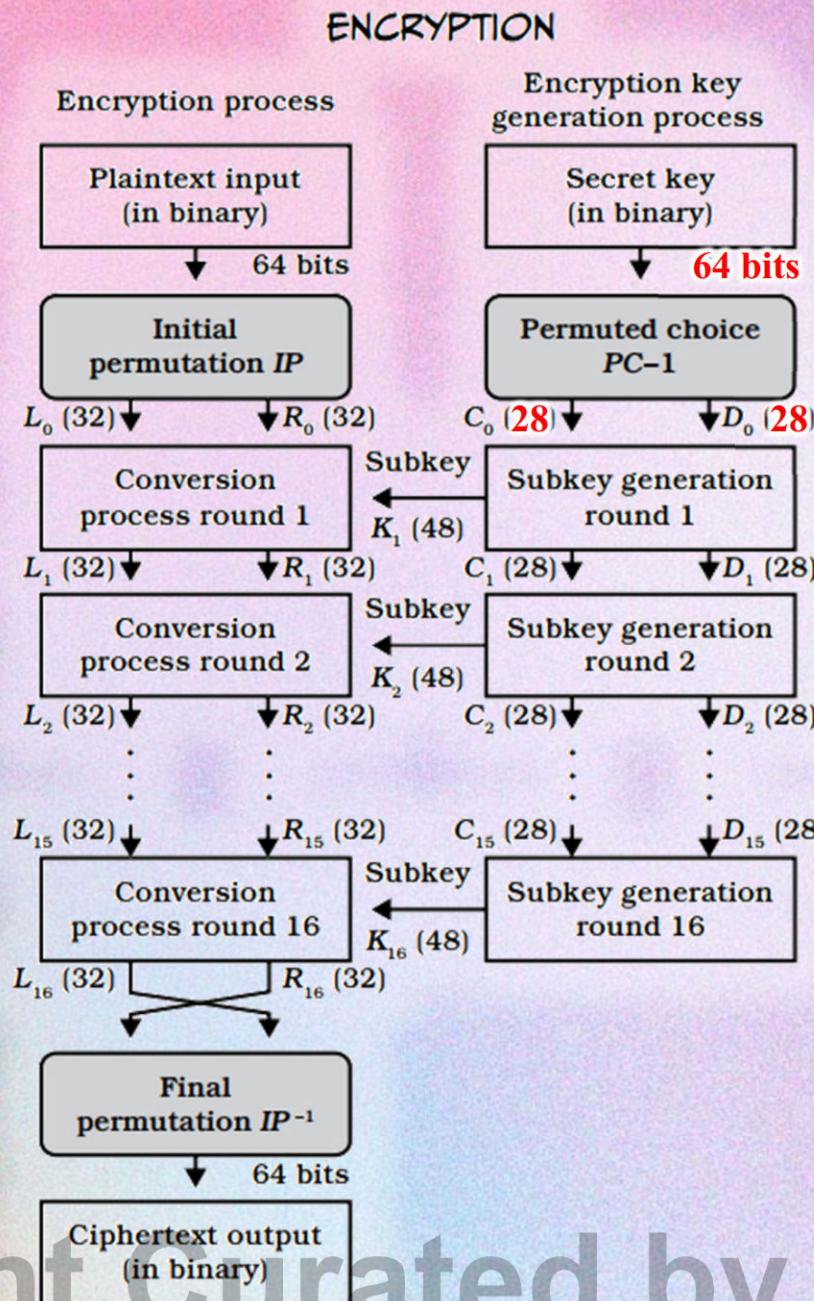
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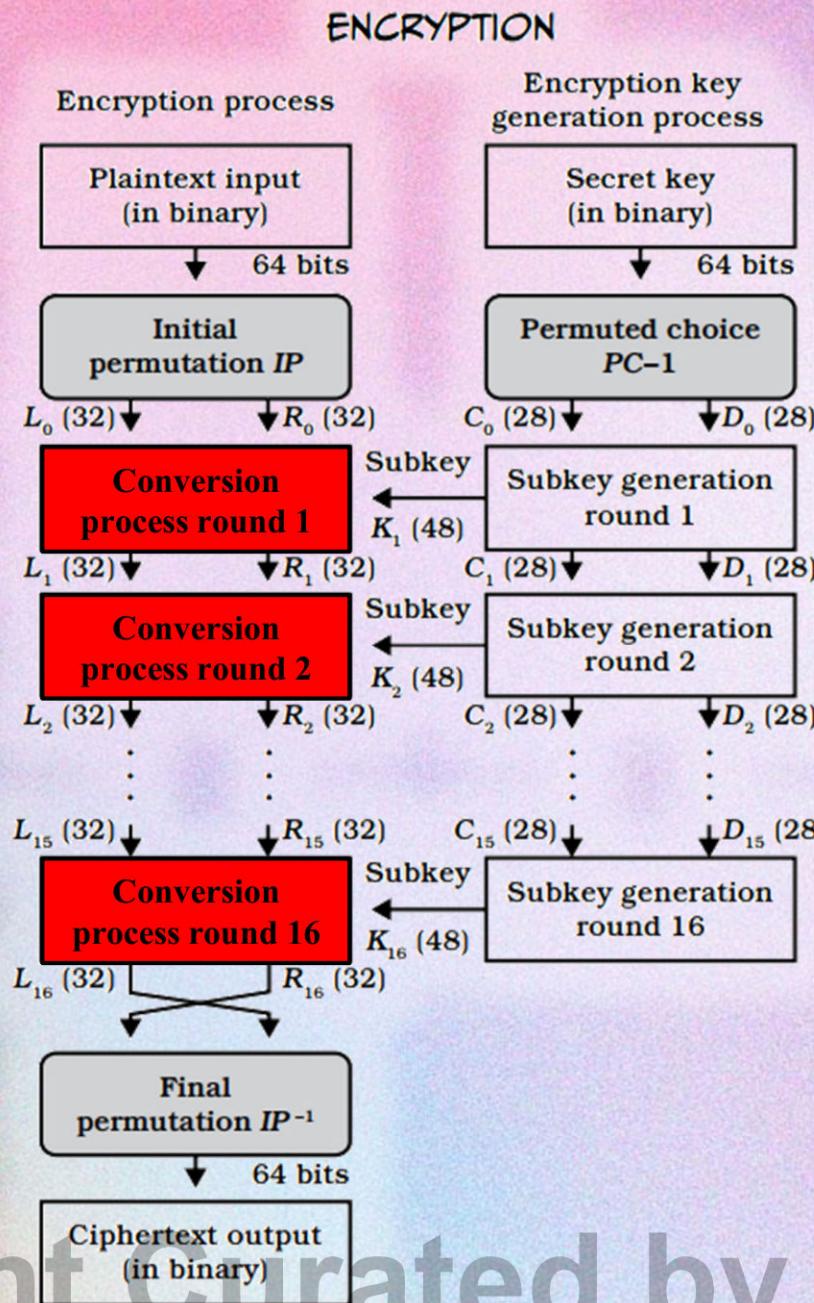
Only 56
are actually
key bits.

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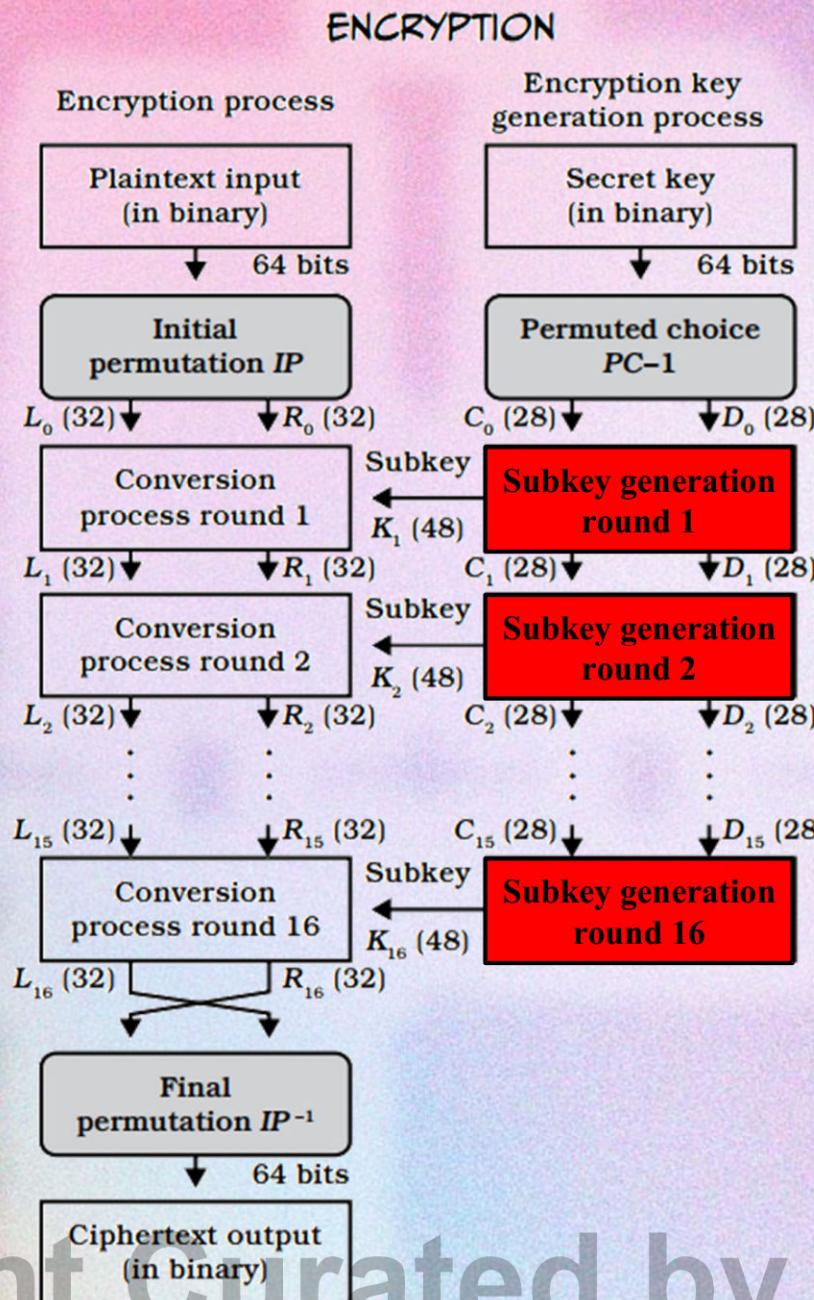
The remaining 8 are parity check bits.

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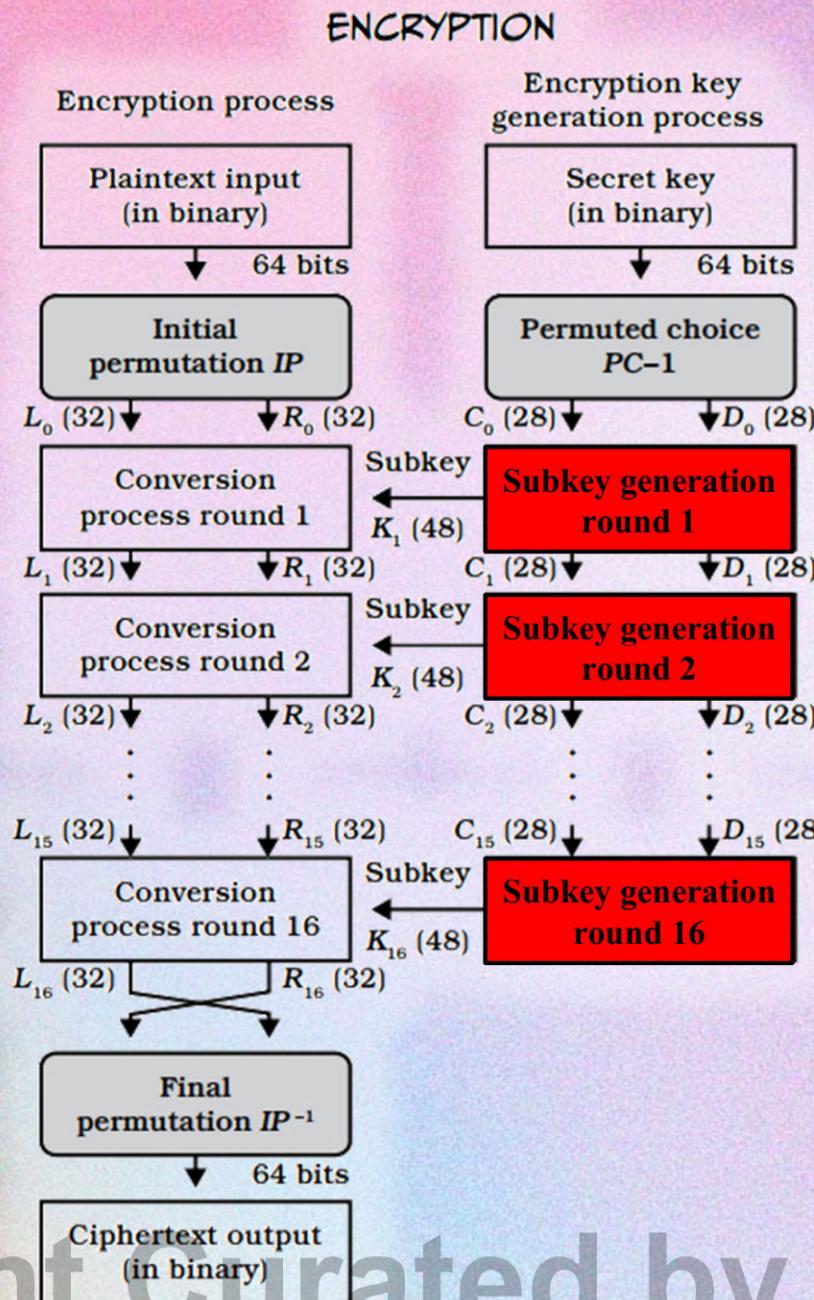
It consists of
16 rounds of
substitution
and transposition.

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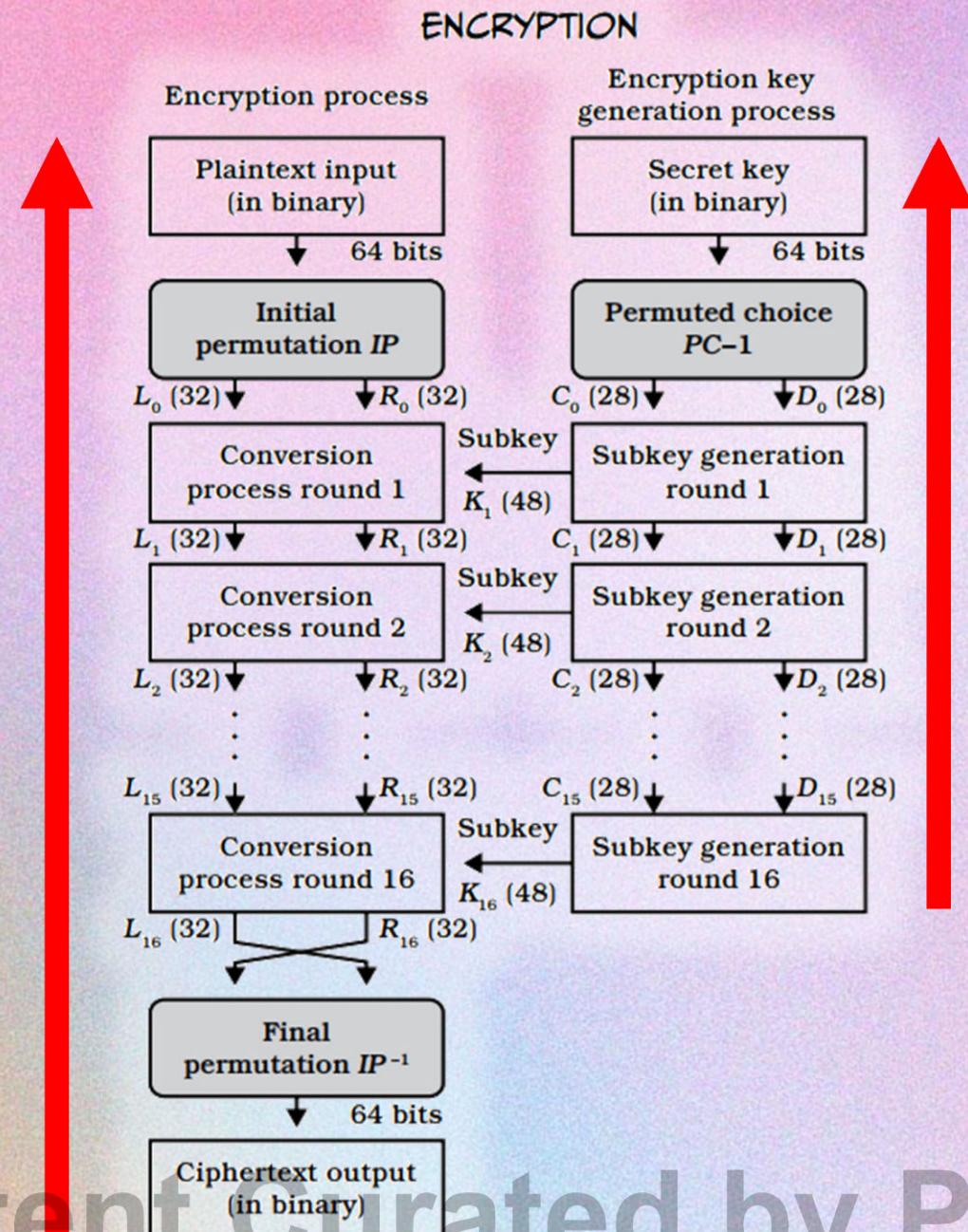
Each round uses a
48-bit subkey.

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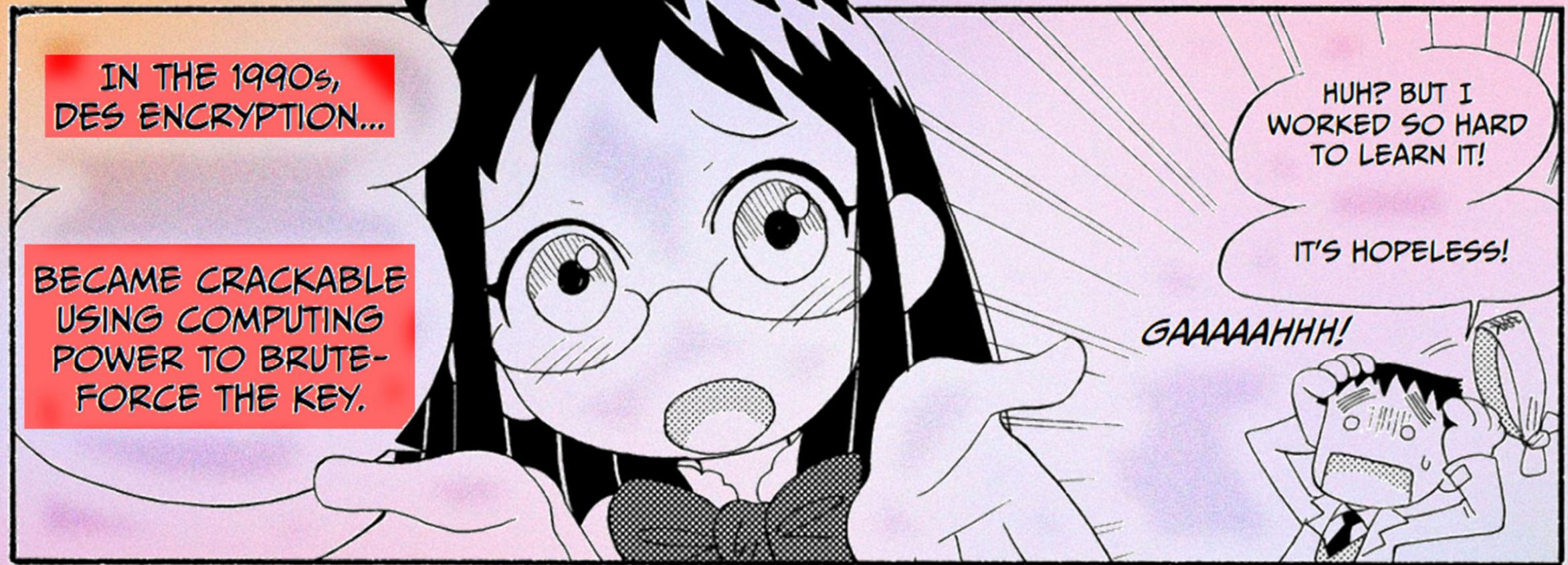


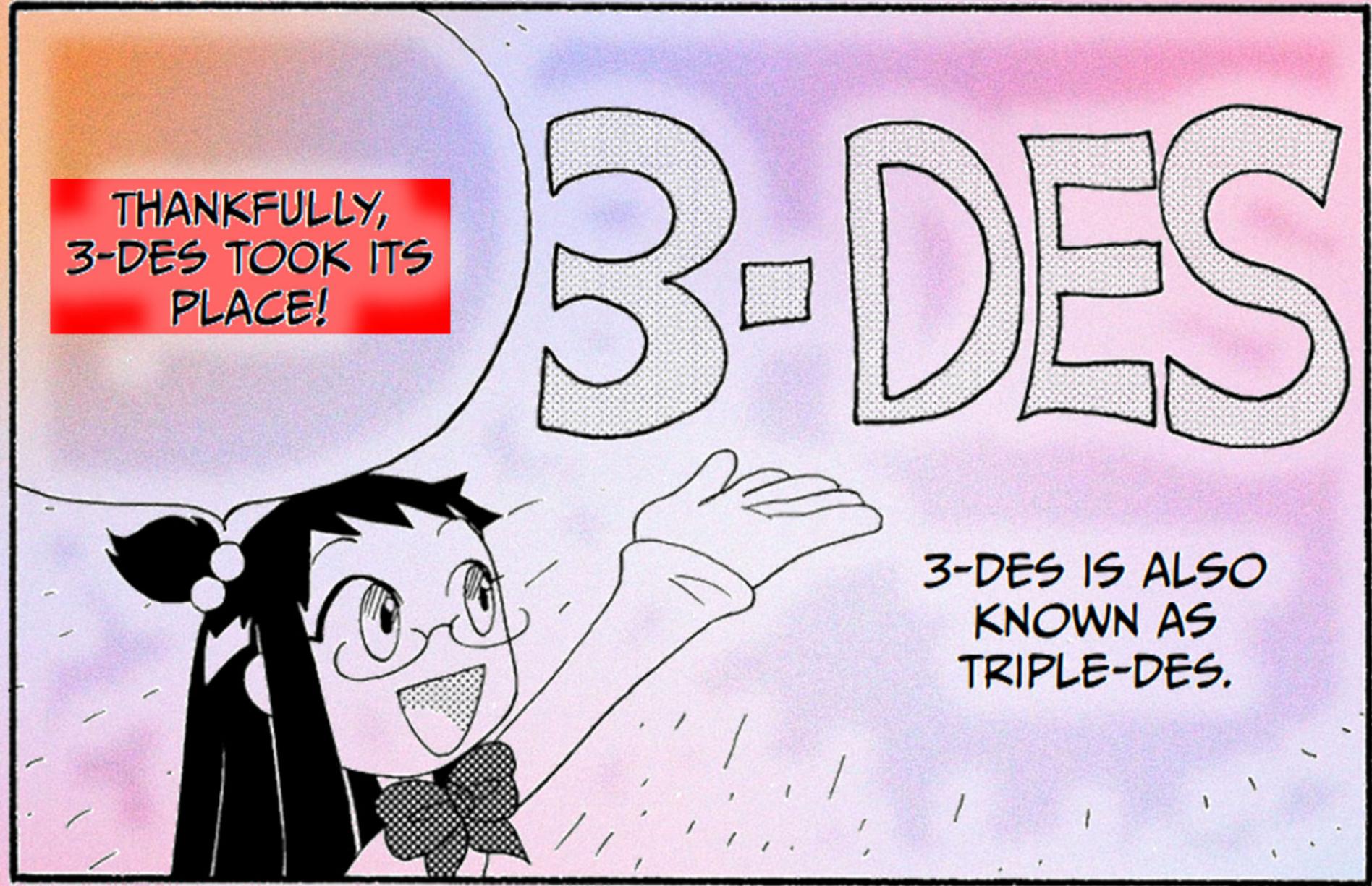
These subkeys
are also used
for encrypting
other blocks.

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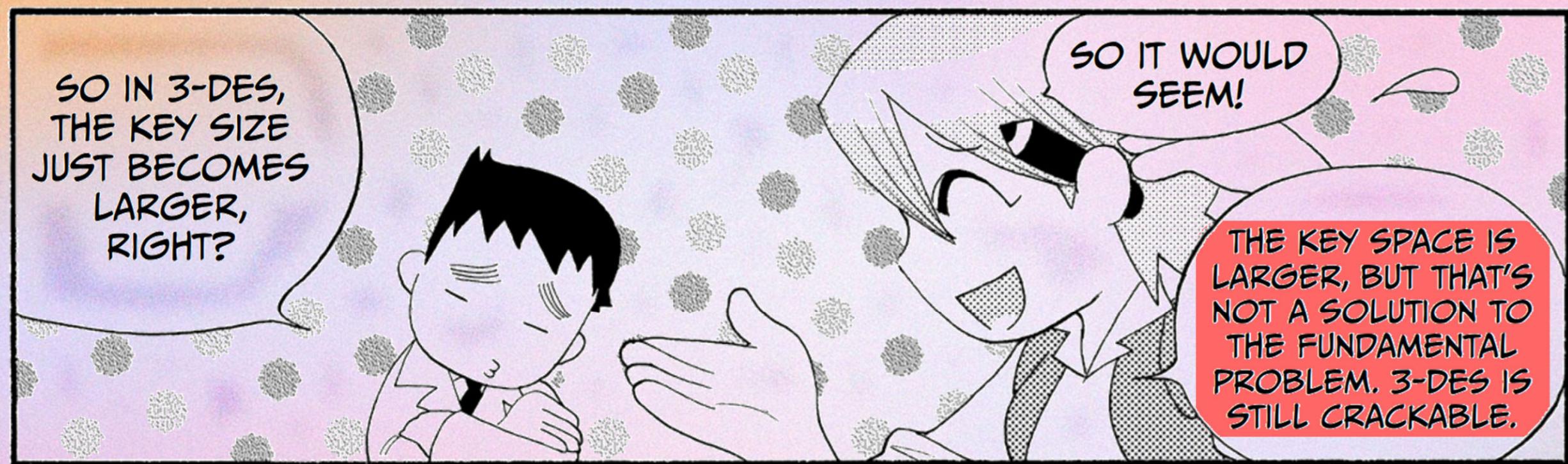
The decryption process is the reverse order.





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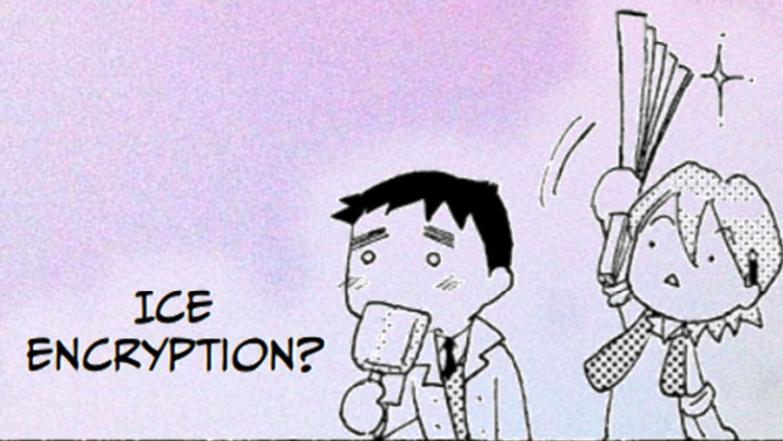
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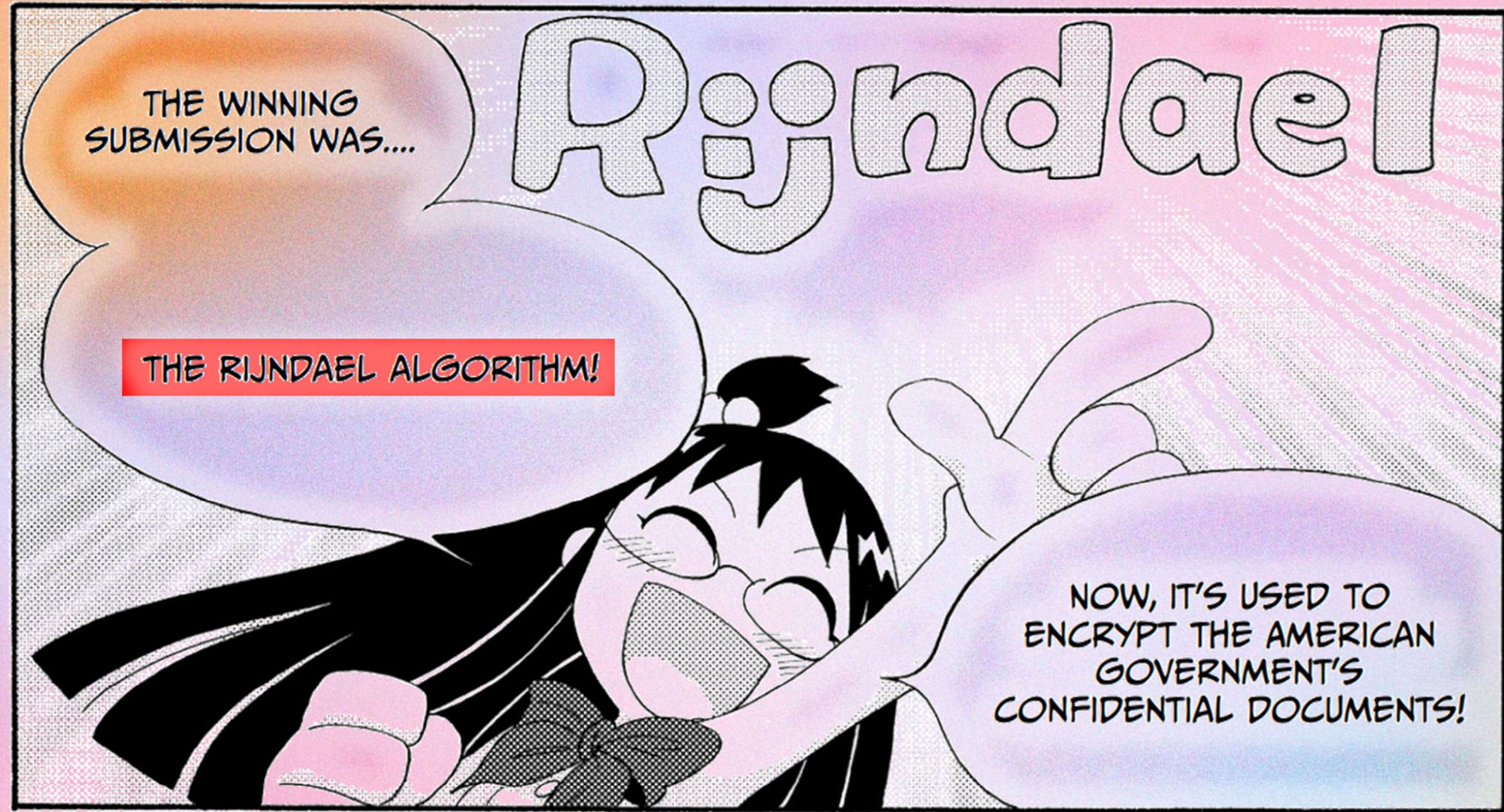


IN 1997, THE US NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY MADE A PUBLIC CALL FOR A BETTER ALGORITHM THAT WOULD BECOME THE NEW WORLD STANDARD FOR ENCRYPTION. THIS ALGORITHM WOULD EVENTUALLY BE CALLED AES.

AES STANDS FOR ADVANCED ENCRYPTION STANDARD.

IBM, NTT, AND OTHER WORLD ENTERPRISES AND ORGANIZATIONS ENTERED SUBMISSIONS.





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ADVANCED ENCRYPTION STANDARD



- Originally called the **Rijndael algorithm**.
- Developed by Belgian cryptographers **Joan Daemen and Vincent Rijmen**.
- Selected from 15 submissions across 12 countries to replace DES.

ADVANCED ENCRYPTION STANDARD

Unlike DES, which has a fixed key size, **AES supports multiple key lengths** for enhanced security.

ADVANCED ENCRYPTION STANDARD



Type	Key Size (bits)	Block Size (bits)	Number of Rounds
AES-128	128	128	10
AES-192	192	128	12
AES-256	256	128	14

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"Based on the DES experience, there is every reason to believe the AES will not succumb to cryptanalysis, nor will it be overrun by developments in computing, as was the DES, since its work factor can easily be adjusted to outpace them."

A screenshot of a web browser window titled "Data Security - National Privacy". The URL in the address bar is <https://privacy.gov.ph/data-security/#c8>. The page content is as follows:

What does the commission recommend with regards to encryption?

"Organizational, physical, and technical security measures for personal data protection, encryption, and access to sensitive personal information maintained by government agencies, considering the most appropriate standard recognized by the information and communications technology industry."

"Advanced Encryption Standard with a key size of 256 bits (AES-256) as the most appropriate encryption standard. Passwords or passphrases used to access personal data should be of sufficient strength to deter password attacks. A password policy should be issued and enforced through a system management tool."

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[What are the standards for protecting personal information?](#)

BLOCK CIPHER MODES OF OPERATION



NIST Special Publication 800-38A
2001 Edition

Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation



National Institute of Standards and Technology
Technology Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce

Methods and Techniques

Morris Dworkin

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National Institute of Standards and Technology

MODE OF OPERATION

A **technique** for enhancing the effect of a **cryptographic algorithm** or adapting the algorithm for an application.

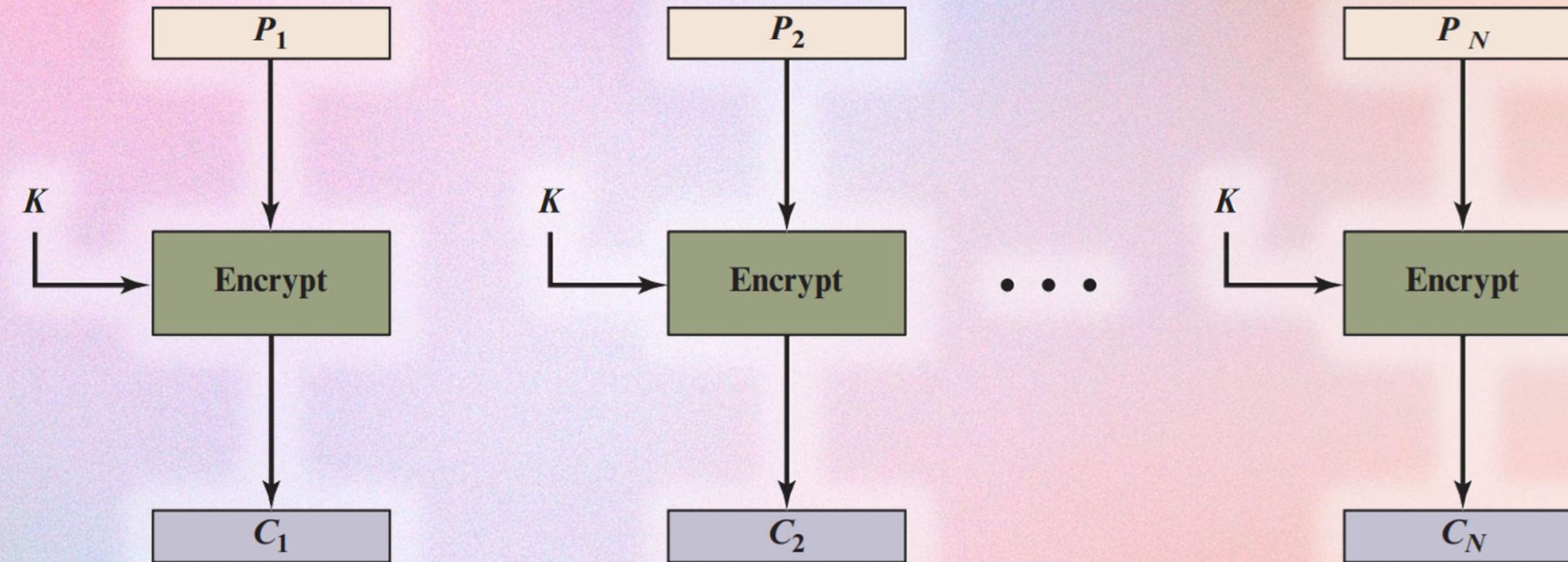
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Abstract

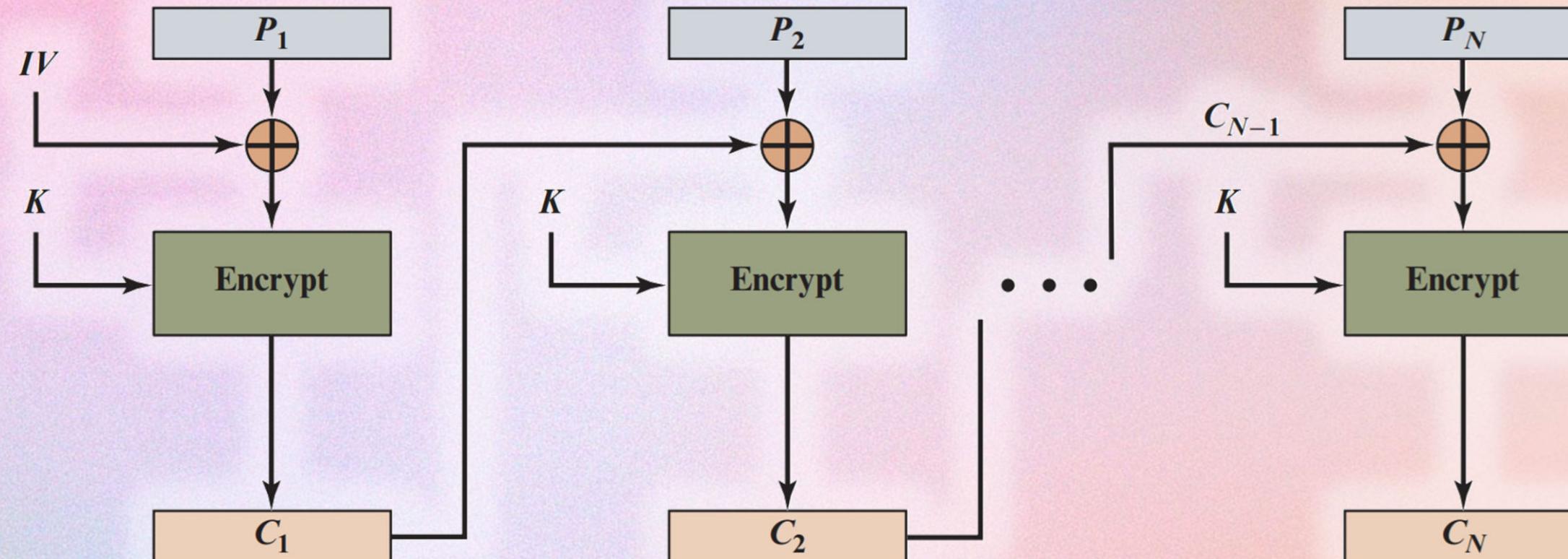
This recommendation defines five confidentiality modes of operation for use with an underlying symmetric key block cipher algorithm: Electronic Codebook (ECB), Cipher Block Chaining (CBC), Cipher Feedback (CFB), Output Feedback (OFB), and Counter (CTR). Used with an underlying block cipher algorithm that is approved in a Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS), these modes can provide cryptographic protection for sensitive, but unclassified, computer data.

ELECTRONIC CODEBOOK (ECB)



Each block of plaintext bits is encoded independently using the same key.

CIPHER BLOCK CHAINING (CBC)



The input to the encryption algorithm is the XOR of the next block of plaintext and the preceding block of ciphertext.

ADVANCED ENCRYPTION STANDARD



Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 197

Published: November 26, 2001
Updated: May 9, 2023

Announcing the **ADVANCED ENCRYPTION STANDARD (AES)**

Federal Information Processing Standards Publications (FIPS) are developed by NIST under 15 U.S.C. 278g-3 and issued by the Secretary of Commerce under 40 U.S.C. 11331.

1. **Name of Standard.** Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) (FIPS 197).
2. **Category of Standard.** Computer Security Standard, Cryptography.
3. **Explanation.** The Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) specifies a FIPS-approved cryptographic algorithm that can be used to protect electronic data. The AES algorithm is a symmetric block cipher that can encrypt (encipher) and decrypt (decipher) digital information.

PRINCIPLES OF MODERN CRYPTOGRAPHY



"Modern cryptographers emphasize that security should not depend on the secrecy of the encryption method (or algorithm), only the secrecy of the keys."

SYMMETRIC-KEY CRYPTOGRAPHY



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DIFFIE-HELLMAN KEY EXCHANGE

It is used to establish a secure communication channel.

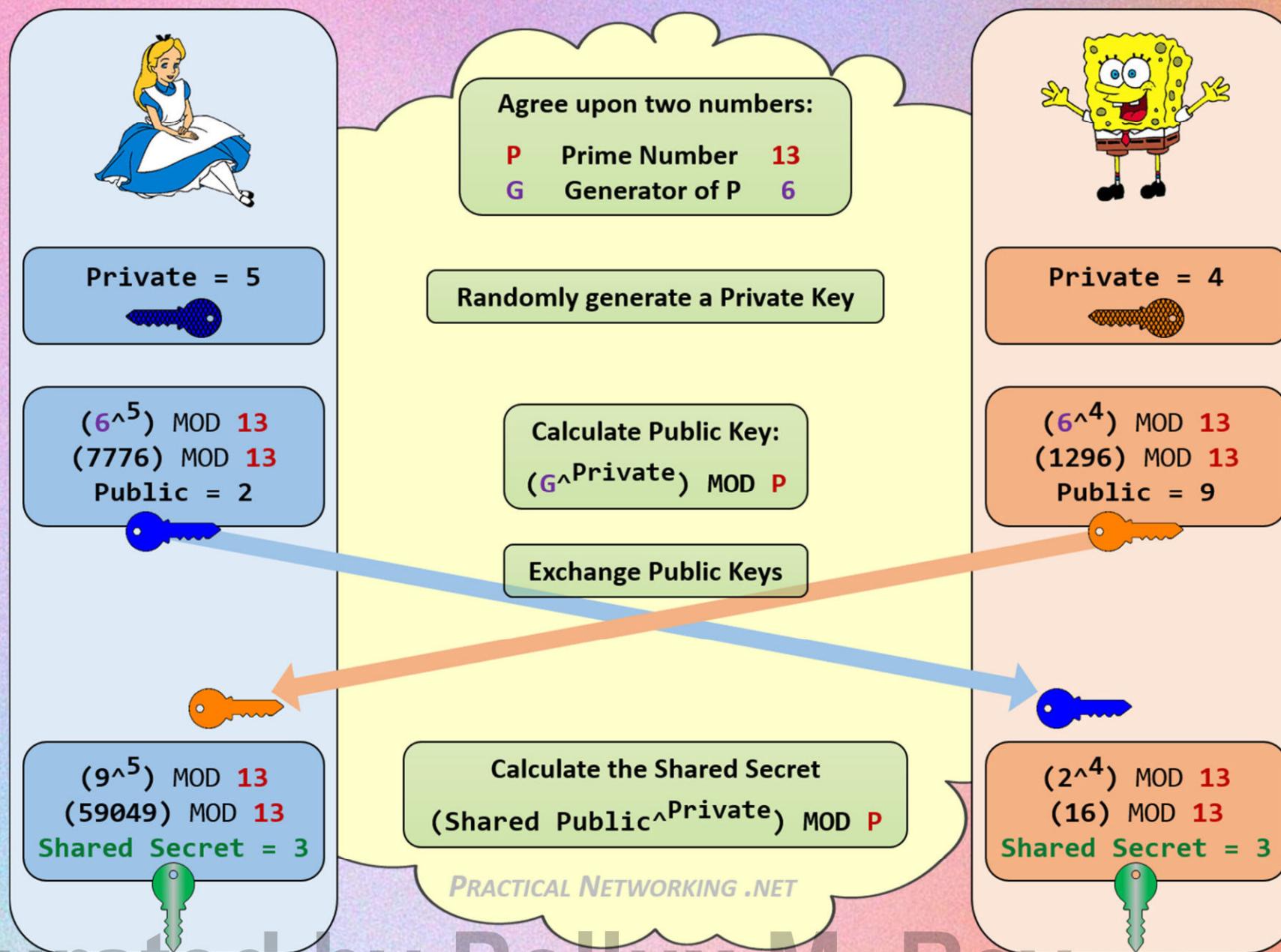
DIFFIE-HELLMAN KEY EXCHANGE

This channel is used by the systems to exchange a private key.

DIFFIE-HELLMAN KEY EXCHANGE

This **private key** is then used to do **symmetric encryption** between the two systems.

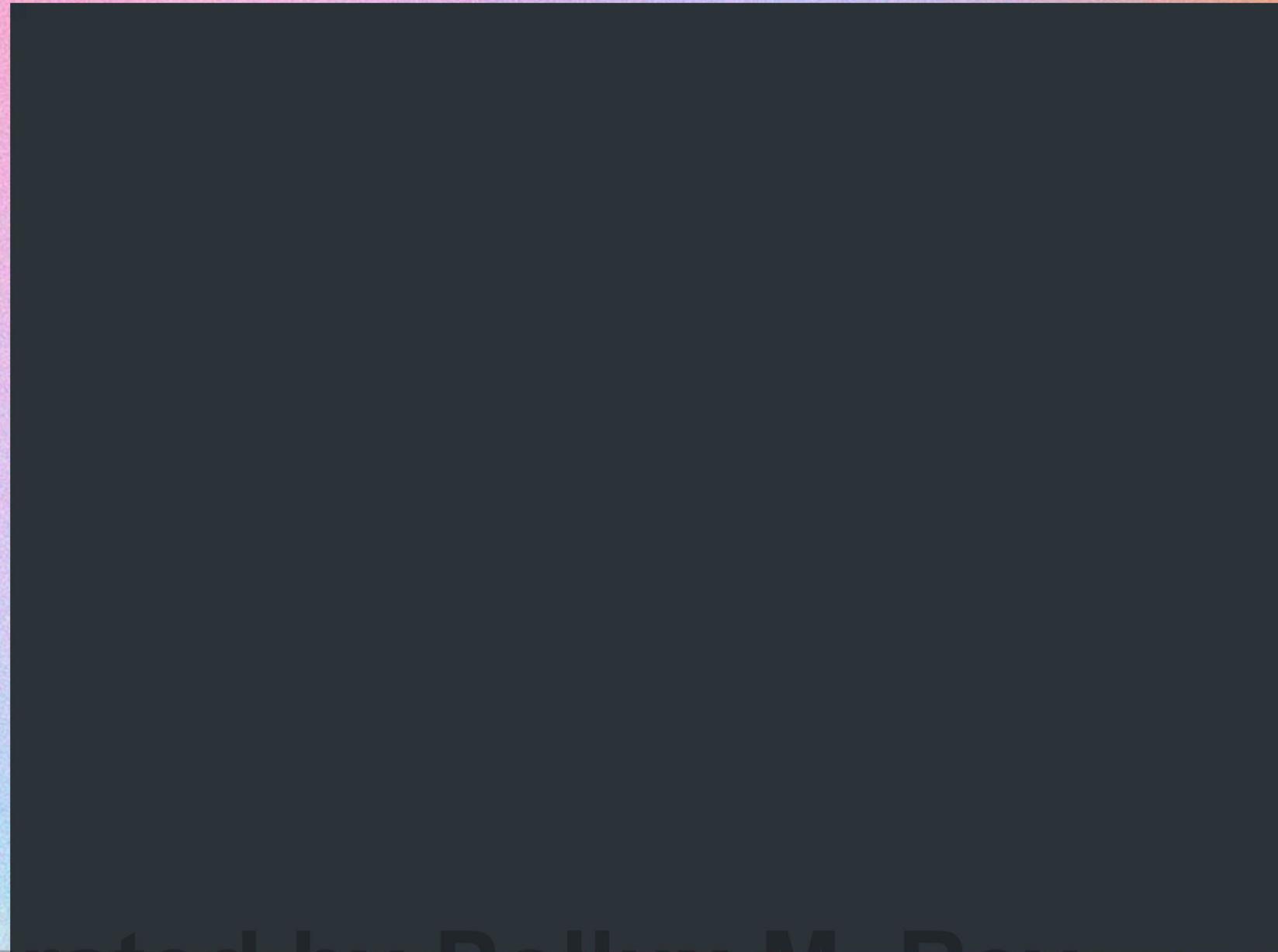
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<https://www.practicalnetworking.net/series/cryptography/diffie-hellman/>

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RSA ECC

Diffie and Hellman's paper introduced a new cryptographic approach and challenged experts to develop a public-key algorithm.

One of the first successful responses to the challenge was the RSA algorithm, which was developed in 1977 by **Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir, and Len Adleman** at MIT.

RSA ALGORITHM

It is the world's **first public-key encryption system**, where its strength lies in the **difficulty of factoring large integers (semiprimes)**.



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Why is it hard to factor large numbers?

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The short answer is that there's no mathematical trick to finding the factors. The only way to do it is trial and error until you find the answer. Blindly guessing prime factors until you find two that give you the right product.

Interestingly, it's not actually proven to be an NP-hard problem. There may be a trick to it that isn't publicly known.

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Award

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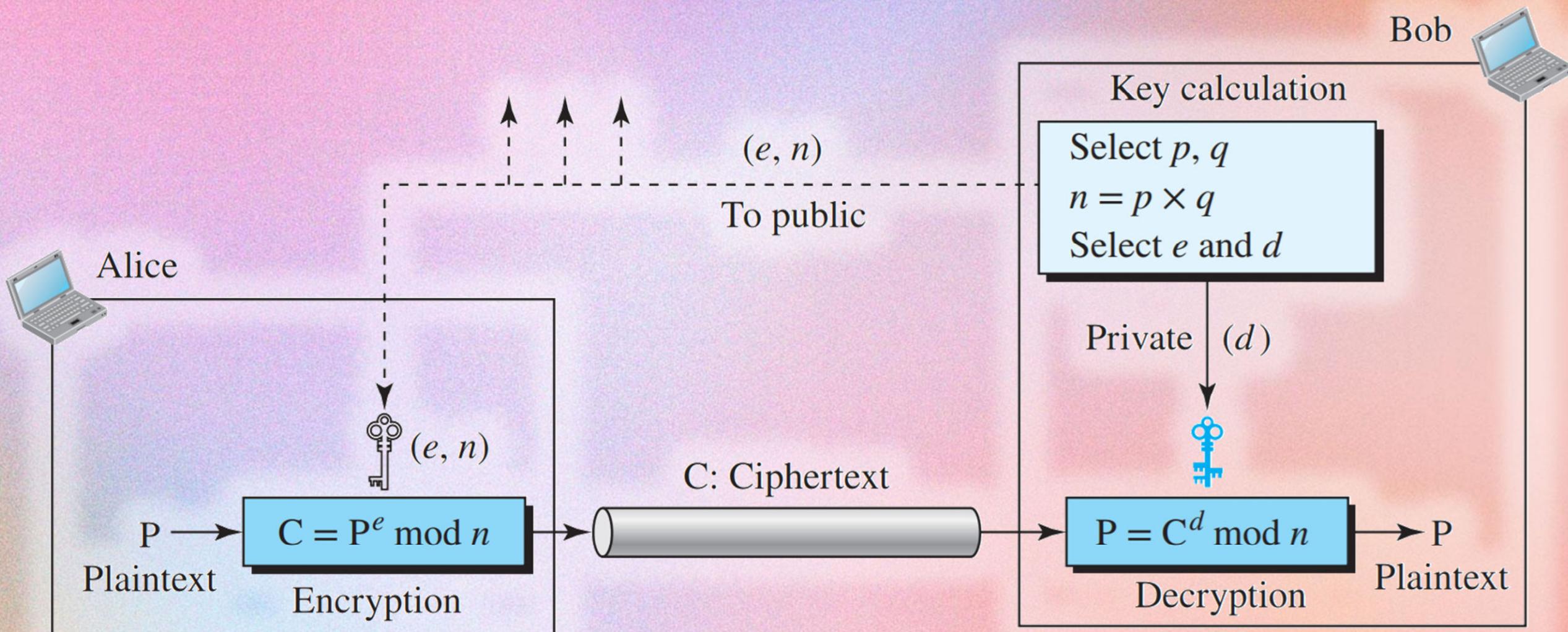
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**"The Magic Words
are Squeamish
Ossifrage"**

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RSA ALGORITHM



RSA ALGORITHM



Key Generation by Alice

Select p, q

p and q both prime, $p \neq q$

Calculate $n = p \times q$

Calculate $\phi(n) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$

Select integer e

$\gcd(\phi(n), e) = 1; 1 < e < \phi(n)$

Calculate d

$d \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(n)}$

Public key

$PU = \{e, n\}$

Private key

$PR = \{d, n\}$

RSA ALGORITHM



Encryption by Bob with Alice's Public Key

Plaintext:

$$M < n$$

Ciphertext:

$$C = M^e \bmod n$$

RSA ALGORITHM



Decryption by Alice with Alice's Private Key

Ciphertext:

C

Plaintext:

$$M = C^d \bmod n$$

RSA ALGORITHM

Although RSA can be used to encrypt and decrypt actual messages, it is **very slow if the message is long**. RSA, therefore, is useful for short messages.

RSA ALGORITHM

In fact, RSA is widely used in **digital signatures**.

A **digital signature** is an **electronic, encrypted, stamp of authentication on digital information**.

Secure **TLS_ECDHE_RSA_WITH_AES_128_GCM_SHA256**

IANA name: TLS_ECDHE_RSA_WITH_AES_128_GCM_SHA256

Protocol: Transport Layer Security (TLS)

Key Exchange: Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman Ephemeral (ECDHE)

Authentication: Rivest Shamir Adleman algorithm (RSA)

RSA Authentication:
There are reports that servers using the RSA authentication algorithm with keys longer than 3072-bit may experience heavy performance issues leading to connection timeouts and even service unavailability if many clients open simultaneous connections.

Encryption: Advanced Encryption Standard with 128bit key in Galois/Counter mode (AES 128 GCM)

Hash: Secure Hash Algorithm 256 (SHA256)

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#StopRansomware: MedusaLocker

Technical Details

MedusaLocker ransomware actors most often gain access to victim devices through vulnerable Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP) configurations [T1133]. Actors also frequently use email phishing and spam email campaigns—directly attaching the ransomware to the email—as initial intrusion vectors [T1566].

MedusaLocker ransomware uses a batch file to execute PowerShell script `invoke-ReflectivePEInjection` [T1059.001]. This script propagates MedusaLocker throughout the network by editing the `EnableLinkedConnections` value within the infected machine's registry, which then allows the infected machine to detect attached hosts and networks via Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) and to detect shared storage via Server Message Block (SMB) Protocol.

MedusaLocker then:

- Restarts the `LanmanWorkstation` service, which allows registry edits to take effect.
- Kills the processes of well-known security, accounting, and forensic software.
- Restarts the machine in safe mode to avoid detection by security software [T1562.009].
- Encrypts victim files with the AES-256 encryption algorithm; the resulting key is then encrypted with an RSA-2048 public key [T1486].



URGENT NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

02 October 2023

On 22 September 2023, the Corporation suffered a cyberattack from the **Medusa Ransomware** which **compromised the data stored from some of our servers and local workstations**. The primary database was intact and not infected. The incident was immediately reported to the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), the National Privacy Commission (NPC) in order to expediently resolve the matter; and to law enforcement agencies such as the Philippine National Police (PNP) Cybercrime Division, Cybercrime Investigation and Coordinating Center (CICC) and the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) in order to identify and capture the perpetrators.

 BLOG POST | DEC 02, 2024

The clock is ticking: NIST's bold move towards Post-Quantum Cryptography

NIST is driving the global transition to post-quantum cryptography, setting a 2030 deadline to deprecate RSA-2048 and ECC-256 algorithms and banning them entirely by 2035. This shift addresses quantum computing's potential to compromise current encryption, emphasizing the need for quantum-resistant solutions to combat risks like "harvest now, decrypt later" attacks. Organizations must act urgently, auditing systems and adopting post-quantum cryptographic algorithms to protect long-term data security. Collaborative efforts, such as shorter certificate lifespans and cloud-native solutions, are crucial for public and private systems to adapt effectively.

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Date	Security Strength	Symmetric Algorithms	Factoring Modulus	Discrete Logarithm Key	Elliptic Curve Group	Hash (A)	Hash (B)
Legacy ⁽¹⁾	80	2TDEA	1024	160	1024	160	SHA-1 ⁽²⁾
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2019 - 2030 & beyond	192	AES-192	7680	384	7680	384	SHA-384 SHA3-384
2019 - 2030 & beyond	256	AES-256	15360	512	15360	512	SHA-512 SHA3-512
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							SHA-512 SHA3-512 KMAC256

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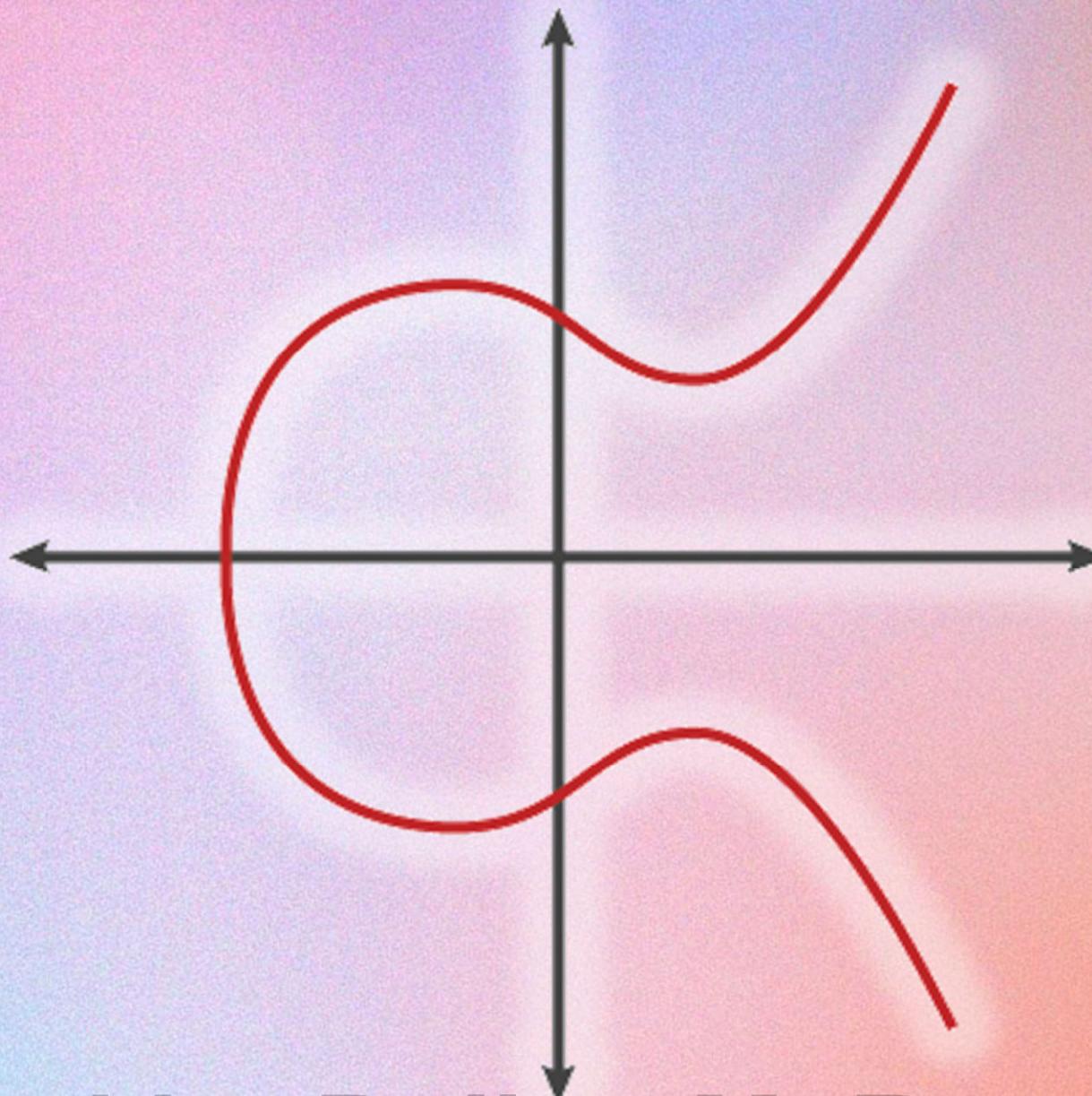


After RSA and Diffie-Hellman, researchers started looking for other cryptographic algorithms, moving beyond factoring.

ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTOGRAPHY

In 1985, they proposed using elliptic curves as the basis for **elliptic curve cryptography (ECC)**.

ELLIPTIC CURVE



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<https://blog.cloudflare.com/a-relatively-easy-to-understand-primer-on-elliptic-curve-cryptography/>



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NFIpwjL9-DE>

SUMMARY



- **Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC)** is based on the equation $y^2=x^3+ax+b$.
- **ECC uses shorter key sizes** than RSA and Diffie-Hellman, making it **more efficient**.
- The **private key** is a number that determines **how many times a point moves along the curve**.
- The **public key** is the point on the curve, calculated by **multiplying a fixed point (known as the generator) by the private key**.

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Algorithm	Encryption/Decryption	Digital Signature	Key Exchange
RSA	Yes	Yes	Yes
Elliptic Curve	Yes	Yes	Yes
Diffie–Hellman	No	No	Yes

Recommended

TLS_ECDHE_ECDSA_WITH_AES_256_GCM_SHA384

IANA name:

TLS_ECDHE_ECDSA_WITH_AES_256_GCM_SHA384

Protocol:

Transport Layer Security (TLS)

Key Exchange:

PFS Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman Ephemeral (ECDHE)

Authentication:

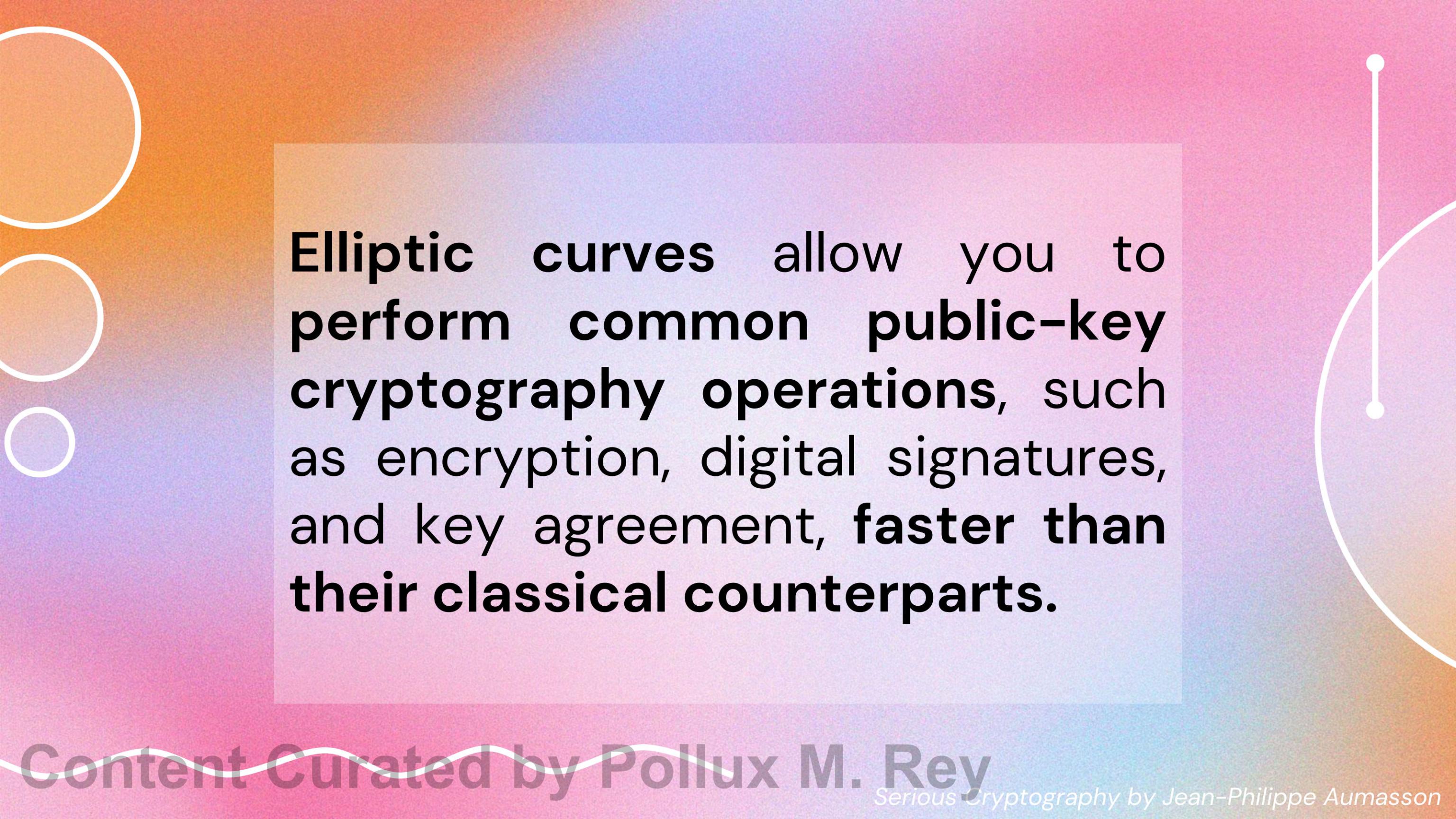
Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA)

Encryption:

AEAD Advanced Encryption Standard with 256bit key in Galois/Counter mode (AES 256 GCM)

Hash:

Secure Hash Algorithm 384 (SHA384)



Elliptic curves allow you to perform common public-key cryptography operations, such as encryption, digital signatures, and key agreement, faster than their classical counterparts.



A graphic design featuring a pink-to-white gradient background with white wavy lines at the top and bottom. In the center-left, a yellow-to-white gradient rectangular area contains the text "THANK YOU!". To the right, there are three overlapping white-outlined circles of increasing size. A thin white horizontal line with small circular caps extends from the left edge of the yellow area to the right edge of the circles.

**THANK
YOU!**

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