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Chapter 1

Introduction

Blowfish is an encryption technique designed by **Bruce Schneier** in 1993 as an alternative to DES Encryption Technique. It is significantly faster than DES and provides a good encryption rate with no effective cryptanalysis technique found to date. It is one of the first, secure block cyphers not subject to any patents and hence freely available for anyone to use.

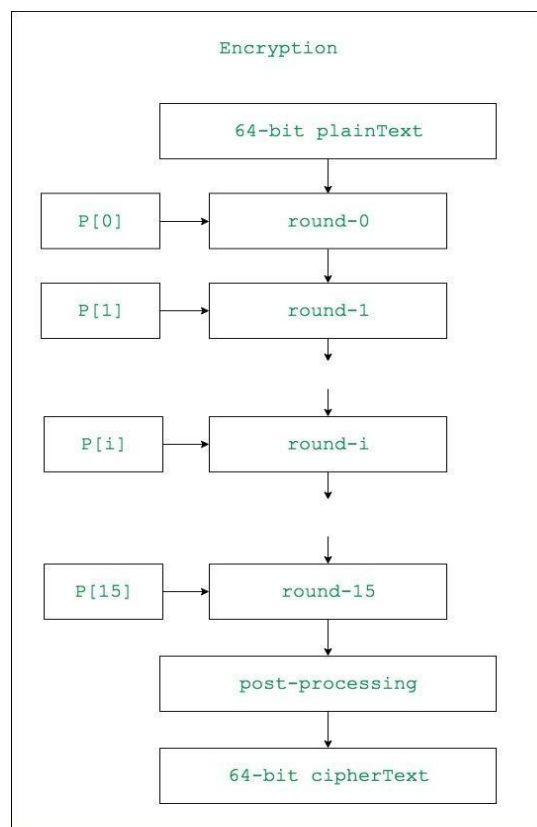
1. **BlockSize:** 64-bits
2. **KeySize:** 32-bits to 448-bits variable size
3. **Number of subkeys:** 18 [P-array]
4. **Number of rounds:** 16
5. **Number of substitution boxes:** 4 [each having 512 entries of 32-bits each]

Chapter 2

Methodology

Blowfish Encryption Algorithm

The entire encryption process can be elaborated as:



Step1: Generation of subkeys:

- 18 subkeys {P[0]...P[17]} are needed in both encryption as well as decryption process and the same subkeys are used for both the processes.
- These 18 subkeys are stored in a P-array with each array element being a 32-bit entry.
- It is initialised with the digits of pi(?).

The hexadecimal representation of each of the subkeys is given by:

P[0] = "243f6a88"

P[1] = "85a308d3"

.

P[17] = "8979fb1b"

**32-bit hexadecimal representation of
initial values of sub-keys**

P[0] : 243f6a88	P[9] : 38d01377
P[1] : 85a308d3	P[10] : be5466cf
P[2] : 13198a2e	P[11] : 34e90c6c
P[3] : 03707344	P[12] : c0ac29b7
P[4] : a4093822	P[13] : c97c50dd
P[5] : 299f31d0	P[14] : 3f84d5b5
P[6] : 082efa98	P[15] : b5470917
P[7] : ec4e6c89	P[16] : 9216d5d9
P[8] : 452821e6	P[17] : 8979fb1b

Now each of the subkey is changed with respect to the input key as:

$P[0] = P[0] \text{ xor } 1\text{st } 32\text{-bits of input key}$

$P[1] = P[1] \text{ xor } 2\text{nd } 32\text{-bits of input key}$

.

$P[i] = P[i] \text{ xor } (i+1)\text{th } 32\text{-bits of input key}$

(roll over to 1st 32-bits depending on the key length)

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$P[17] = P[17] \text{ xor } 18\text{th } 32\text{-bits of input key}$

(roll over to 1st 32-bits depending on key length)

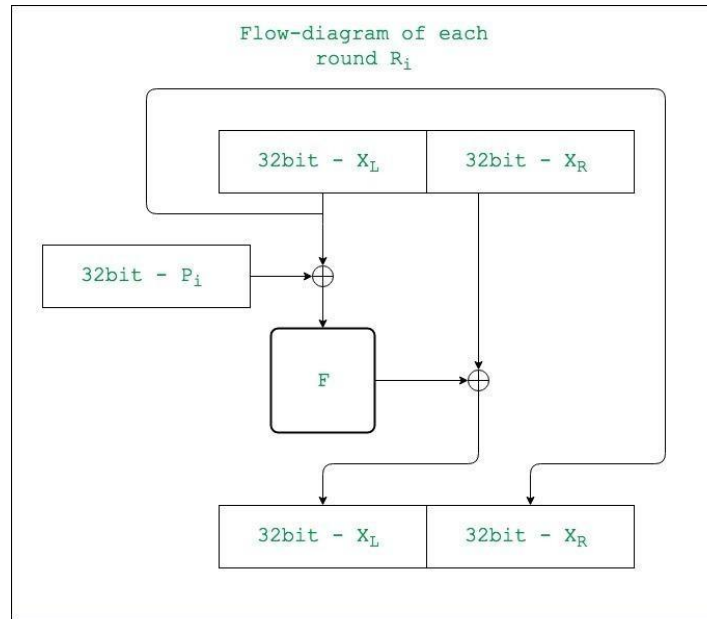
- The resultant P-array holds 18 subkeys that are used during the entire encryption process.

Step2: Initialise Substitution Boxes:

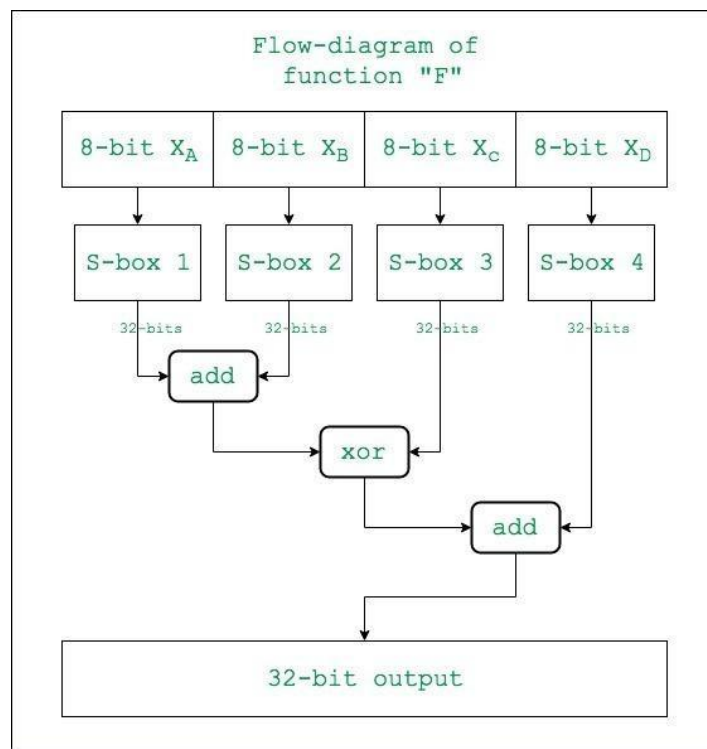
- 4 Substitution boxes(S-boxes) are needed $\{S[0] \dots S[4]\}$ in both encryption as well as decryption process with each S-box having 256 entries $\{S[i][0] \dots S[i][255], 0 \leq i \leq 4\}$ where each entry is 32-bit.
- It is initialised with the digits of pi(?) after initialising the P-array. You may find the s-boxes in here!

Step3: Encryption:

- The encryption function consists of two parts:
 1. **Rounds:** The encryption consists of 16 rounds with each round(R_i) taking inputs the plainText(P.T.) from the previous round and corresponding subkey(P_i). The description of each round is as follows:

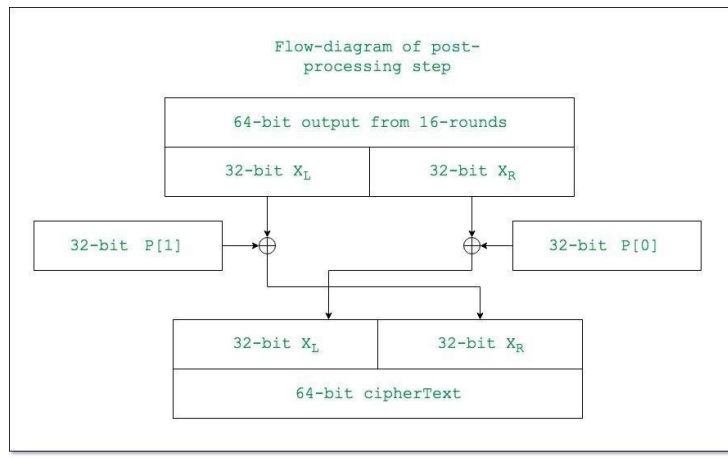


The description of the function "F" is as follows:

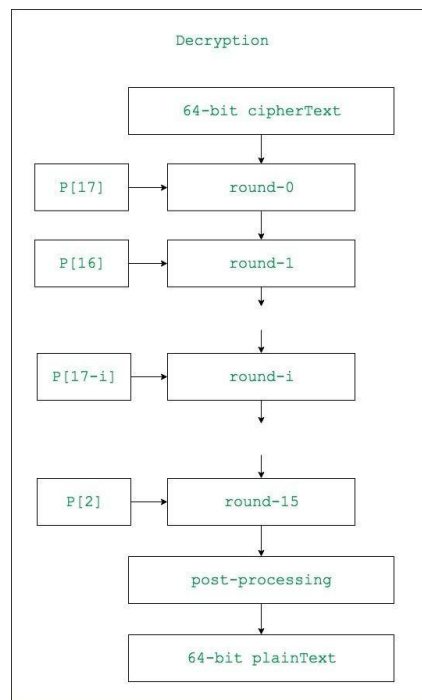


Here the function "add" is addition modulo 2^{32} .

2. Post-processing: The output after the 16 rounds is processed as follows:



Decryption



The decryption process is similar to that of encryption and the subkeys are used in reverse{P[17] – P[0]}. The entire decryption process can be elaborated as:

Lets see each step one by one:

Step1: Generation of subkeys:

- 18 subkeys {P[0]...P[17]} are needed in decryption process.
- These 18 subkeys are stored in a P-array with each array element being a 32-bit entry.
- It is initialised with the digits of pi.

The hexadecimal representation of each of the subkeys is given by:

P[0] = "243f6a88"

P[1] = "85a308d3"

.

P[17] = "8979fb1b"

- Note: See encryption for the initial values of P-array.

Now each of the subkeys is changed with respect to the input key as:

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(roll over to 1st 32-bits depending on the key length)

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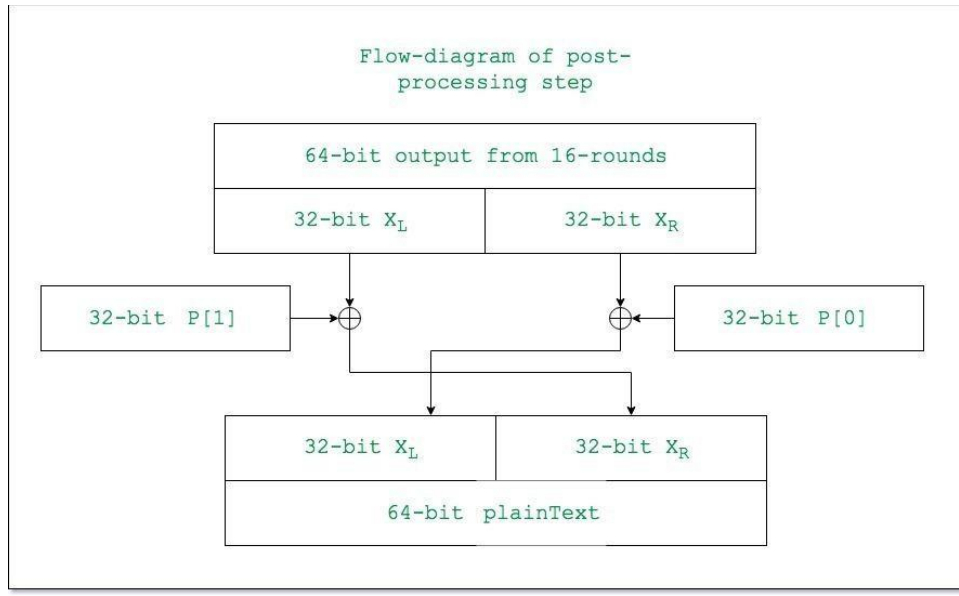
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- It is initialised with the digits of pi(?) after initialising the P-array. You may find the s-boxes in here .

Step3: Decryption:

- The Decryption function also consists of two parts:
 1. Rounds: The decryption also consists of 16 rounds with each round(R_i)(as explained above) taking inputs the cipherText(C.T.) from previous round and corresponding subkey($P[17-i]$)(i.e for decryption the subkeys are used in reverse).
 2. Post-processing: The output after the 16 rounds is processed as follows:




Chapter 3

Results and Discussion

Fig1. Initializing the value for keys-

```
key = [ 0x4B7A70E9, 0xB5B32944, 0xDB75092E, 0xC4192623,  
        0xAD6EA6B0, 0x49A7DF7D, 0x9CEE60B8, 0x8FEDB266,  
        0xECAA8C71, 0x699A17FF, 0x5664526C, 0xC2B19EE1,  
        0x193602A5, 0x75094C29]
```

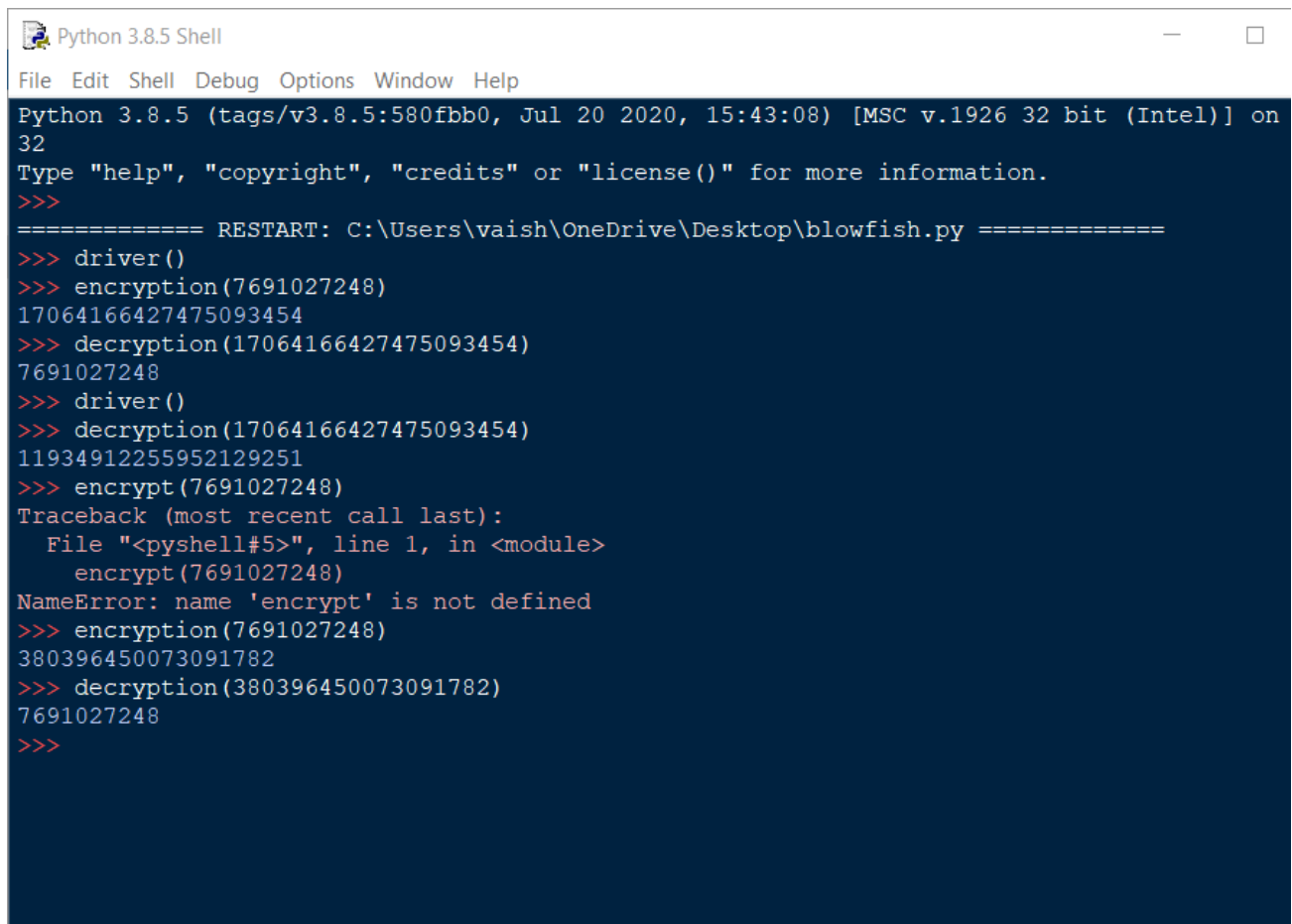
Fig2. Initializing the value for sub keys as the digits of pi-

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```
p = [  
    0x243F6A88, 0x85A308D3, 0x13198A2E, 0x03707344,  
    0xA4093822, 0x299F31D0, 0x082EFA98, 0xEC4E6C89,  
    0x452821E6, 0x38D01377, 0xBE5466CF, 0x34E90C6C,  
    0xC0AC29B7, 0xC97C50DD, 0x3F84D5B5, 0xB5470917,  
    0x9216D5D9, 0x8979FB1B  
]
```

Fig3. Encryption and decryption based on the value of keys stored in p array-

A screenshot of a Python 3.8.5 Shell window. The window has a title bar with the Python logo and text 'Python 3.8.5 Shell'. Below the title bar is a menu bar with 'File', 'Edit', 'Shell', 'Debug', 'Options', 'Window', and 'Help'. The main area of the window is a dark blue console with white text. The text shows the following sequence of commands and outputs:

```
Python 3.8.5 (tags/v3.8.5:580fbb0, Jul 20 2020, 15:43:08) [MSC v.1926 32 bit (Intel)] on
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Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>>
===== RESTART: C:\Users\vaish\OneDrive\Desktop\blowfish.py =====
>>> driver()
>>> encryption(7691027248)
17064166427475093454
>>> decryption(17064166427475093454)
7691027248
>>> driver()
>>> decryption(17064166427475093454)
11934912255952129251
>>> encrypt(7691027248)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#5>", line 1, in <module>
    encrypt(7691027248)
NameError: name 'encrypt' is not defined
>>> encryption(7691027248)
380396450073091782
>>> decryption(380396450073091782)
7691027248
>>>
```

Fig4. Brute Force Attack using the random keys for array P-

```
Python 3.8.5 Shell
File Edit Shell Debug Options Window Help

>>>
===== RESTART: C:\Users\vaish\OneDrive\Desktop\blowfish.py =====
>>> encryption(123456789)
6173266912824437677
>>> decryption(6173266912824437677)
123456789
>>> bruteforceattack(6173266912824437677)
Brute Force Attack Output: 12798571817646868963
Brute Force Attack Output: 12627204862865985572
Brute Force Attack Output: 7474096248534220207
Brute Force Attack Output: 3375973982524524776
Brute Force Attack Output: 10570039408721120032
Brute Force Attack Output: 5887090689602069474
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Brute Force Attack Output: 17927343623175747107
Brute Force Attack Output: 5781839781589408348
Brute Force Attack Output: 18351990577549543010
Brute Force Attack Output: 15537491967827447306
Brute Force Attack Output: 4386457766093912211
Brute Force Attack Output: 9686032392521837324
Brute Force Attack Output: 274178491344031327
Brute Force Attack Output: 14430668173547528417
Brute Force Attack Output: 9654735269742838191
Brute Force Attack Output: 6064186253325264937
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Brute Force Attack Output: 3525339630607045421
Brute Force Attack Output: 17238412529090928136
Brute Force Attack Output: 2360254585587715994
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Brute Force Attack Output: 10436019781213511535
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Brute Force Attack Output: 16013329357131678701
Brute Force Attack Output: 5336496058627275190
Brute Force Attack Output: 5246328886384339567
Brute Force Attack Output: 10210678388101537648
Brute Force Attack Output: 3819450438609501217
Brute Force Attack Output: 12480000023560010040
```

Fig5. Python Code for Encryption and Decryption

```
def swap(a,b):
    temp = a
    a = b
    b = temp
    return a,b

def driver():
    for i in range(0,18):
        p[i] = p[i]^key[i%14]
    k = 0
    data = 0
    for i in range(0,9):
        temp = encryption(data)
        p[k] = temp >> 32
        k+=1
        p[k] = temp & 0xffffffff
        k+=1
    data = temp

def encryption(data):
    L = data>>32
    R = data & 0xffffffff
    for i in range(0,16):
        L = p[i]^L
        L1 = func(L)
        R = R^func(L1)
        L,R = swap(L,R)
    L,R = swap(L,R)
    L = L^p[17]
    R = R^p[16]
    encrypted = (L<<32) ^ R
    return encrypted

def func(L):
    temp = s[0][L >> 24]
    temp = (temp + s[1][L >> 16 & 0xff]) % 2**32
    temp = temp ^ s[2][L >> 8 & 0xff]
    temp = (temp + s[3][L & 0xff]) % 2**32
    return temp

def decryption(data):
    L = data >> 32
    R = data & 0xffffffff
    for i in range(17, 1, -1):
        L = R^p[i]
```


Chapter 4

Conclusion and Future Work

Blowfish is a fast block cipher except when changing keys. Each new key requires a pre-processing equivalent to 4KB of text. It is faster and much better than DES Encryption. It uses a 64-bit block size which makes it vulnerable to birthday attacks.

A reduced round variant of blowfish is known to be susceptible to known plaintext attacks(2nd order differential attacks – 4 rounds).

This advanced Blowfish Algorithm is more efficient in energy consumption and security to reduce the consumption of battery power devices. In the new proposed model of Blowfish by further increasing the key length, Blowfish will provide better results.

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