POIS ASSIGNMENT 1

TASK 7

USE MERKLE-DAMGARD TRANSFORM TO OBTAIN A PROVABLY SECURE COLLISION RESISTANT HASH FUNCTION

CODE

```
n =64
def merkle_hash(msg, iv):
    msg = msg_to_binary(msg)
    l = len(msg)
    msg_len = dec_to_bin(l).zfill(n)
    result = iv.zfill(n)
    for i in range(0,l,n):
        cur_msg=msg[i:i+n]
        if n != len(cur_msg):
            cur_msg = cur_msg.ljust(n,"0")
        result=Hs(cur_msg, result)

result = Hs(msg_len,result)
    return result
```

As stated in the theory, the "msg" is split into blocks of constant length=n=64.

Chunks are if necessary, padded.

Set result = an initial value of iv

And the result is calc again and again using the hash function result of previous chunk.

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result=Hs(cur_msg, result)

(h_{i+1} = H \sim (h_i; x_i) \text{ for } i > 1. \text{ Then, } H(x) = h_n + 1 \text{ (b bits)})
```

Hs is the hash function of previous code.

OUTPUT: