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Title: Block cipher modes of operation using AES or DES

Problem Definition: Compare different block cipher modes of operation by encrypting a long message “Because of you, my darling, I have known how it feels actually to care and cherish someone more than anything one can ever think of in this world. I have the chance to experience the most beautiful feeling of knowing that there will always be a person who will never give up on me and always cherish and care for me no matter what happens” using online AES or DES cryptosystem.

Pre-requisite: AES & DES

Theory:

Encryption algorithms are divided into two categories based on the input type, as a block cipher and stream cipher. Block cipher is an encryption algorithm that takes a fixed size of input, say b bits and produces a ciphertext of b bits again. If the input is larger than b bits it can be divided further. For different applications and uses, there are several modes of operations for a block cipher.

- 1) Electronic Code Book (ECB) – Electronic code book is the easiest block cipher mode of functioning. It is easier because of direct encryption of each block of input plaintext and output is in the form of blocks of encrypted ciphertext.
- 2) Cipher Block Chaining – Cipher block chaining or CBC is an advancement made on ECB since ECB compromises some security requirements. In CBC, the previous cipher block is given as input to the next encryption algorithm after XOR with the original plaintext block.

- 3) Cipher Feedback Mode (CFB) – In this mode the cipher is given as feedback to the next block of encryption with some new specifications: first, an initial vector IV is used for first encryption and output bits are divided as a set of s and $b-s$ bits. The left-hand side s bits are selected along with plaintext bits to which an XOR operation is applied. The result is given as input to a shift register having $b-s$ bits to lhs, s bits to rhs and the process continues.
- 4) Output Feedback Mode – The output feedback mode follows nearly the same process as the Cipher Feedback mode except that it sends the encrypted output as feedback instead of the actual cipher which is XOR output. In this output feedback mode, all bits of the block are sent instead of sending selected s bits. The Output Feedback mode of block cipher holds great resistance towards bit transmission errors. It also decreases the dependency or relationship of the cipher on the plaintext.
- 5) Counter Mode – The Counter Mode or CTR is a simple counter-based block cipher implementation. Every time a counter-initiated value is encrypted and given as input to XOR with plaintext which results in a ciphertext block. The CTR mode is independent of feedback use and thus can be implemented in parallel.

Procedure/ Algorithm :

AES Online Encryption

Enter text to be Encrypted

Because of you, my darling, I have known how it feels actually to care and cherish someone more than anything one can ever think of in this world. I have the chance to experience the most beautiful feeling of

OR

No file chosen

Select Cipher Mode of Encryption

ECB

Key Size in Bits

128

Enter Secret Key

1234567887654321

Output Text Format: ☒Base64 ☐Hex

AES Encrypted Output:

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AybbWyzFUT7IZi93M92LQEFohkMtaUVzfEwJ4
DjQ/Tz+CJEV7am5LTgJybAfgvO+ovYo0/3u7
6KVZoJYPMEWpl27XfYL/s9o0JehqJrVah5Mn
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RI+k/qSliYcNpvNfNtbdVp9od5XAUGVAumtvb
G8ITVvNQw9Xi0Co43LPK2EY5wf9pi/lkxuUml
wmjImi+Y/g8O9GHuI59dQjI9Uw==
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DES Encryption

Input Content

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Mode

ECB

Padding

pkcs5padding

Password

12345678

In-Format

string

Out-Format

hex

Charset

UTF-8

Encrypt

Decrypt

Clear

Output Result

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d55ae27719041ebca6decdd16da3da451fd1ad4e7012aa91f3dea8b19bef90b021fb08d0f9735d58d7fe68cebb67aa5dc0fa8e3d4d25f4733e35ff2fd39ace21263338399c46495dc09569b02ac152f81ef95a78a0860d8dfa2c9f159e
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2. Comparison between AES & DES

DES vs AES

	DES	AES
Date	1976	1999
Block size	64	128
Key length	56	128, 192, 256
Number of rounds	16	9,11,13
Encryption primitives	Substitution, permutation	Substitution, shift, bit mixing
Cryptographic primitives	Confusion, diffusion	Confusion, diffusion
Design	Open	Open
Design rationale	Closed	Open
Selection process	Secret	Secret, but accept open public comment
Source	IBM, enhanced by NSA	Independent cryptographers

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