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# Exercise 5 - Proposed Solution -

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# **Solution of Problem 1**

For an affine cipher in  $\mathbb{Z}_{26}$ :  $e(i,(a,b)) = a \cdot i + b \mod 26$ 

$$\mathbb{Z}_{26}^* = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25\} = \{a | \gcd(a, 26) = 1\}$$
  

$$\Rightarrow |\mathcal{K}| = |\mathbb{Z}_{26}^* \times \mathbb{Z}_{26}| = 12 \cdot 26$$

Let  $M \in \mathcal{M}, C \in \mathcal{C}$ 

$$\begin{split} P(\hat{C} = C | \hat{M} = M) &= P(e(\hat{M}, \hat{K}) = C \mid \hat{M} = M) \\ \stackrel{(\hat{K}, M \text{ stoch. ind.})}{=} P(e(M, \hat{K}) = C) \\ \stackrel{(\hat{K} \text{ unif. distr.})}{=} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{K}|} | \{ K \in \mathcal{K} \mid e(M, K) = C \} | \\ \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{12}{12 \cdot 26} &= \frac{1}{26} \end{split}$$

$$(*): e(M, (a, b)) = C \Leftrightarrow a \cdot M + b = C \mod 26 \Leftrightarrow b = C - aM \mod 26$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{ all keys } (a, C - aM), \ a \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}^* \text{ satisfy this equation}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\hat{C} = C | \hat{M} = M) = \frac{1}{26} \quad \forall M \in \mathcal{M}_+$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\hat{C} = C) = \frac{1}{26} = P(\hat{C} = C | \hat{M} = M)$$

With Corollary 4.11, the cryptosystem has perfect secrecy, i.e.,  $\hat{C}$  and  $\hat{M}$  are stochastically independent.

# Solution of Problem 2

Recall:

$$|\mathcal{M}_{+}| := \{ M \in \mathcal{M}_{+} | P(\hat{M} = M > 0) \}$$
$$|\mathcal{K}_{+}| := \{ K \in \mathcal{K}_{+} | P(\hat{K} = K > 0) \}$$
$$|\mathcal{C}_{+}| := \{ C \in \mathcal{C}_{+} | P(\hat{C} = C > 0) \}$$

With Lemma 4.12 a):

$$|\mathcal{M}_{+}| \le |\mathcal{C}_{+}| \le |\mathcal{C}| = |\mathcal{M}| = |\mathcal{M}_{+}| \Longrightarrow |\mathcal{C}_{+}| = |\mathcal{C}| \Longrightarrow \mathcal{C}_{+} = C \Longrightarrow P(\hat{C} = C) > 0 \quad \forall C \in \mathcal{C}$$

Let  $M \in \mathcal{M}, C \in \mathcal{C}$ 

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$$= \sum_{K \in \mathcal{K}: e(M,K) = c} P(\hat{K} = K) \neq 0 \Longrightarrow \forall M \in \mathcal{M}, C \in \mathcal{C}, \exists K \in \mathcal{K}: e(M,K) = C$$

Fix  $M: |\mathcal{C}_+| = |\mathcal{C}| = |\{e(M,K)|K \in \mathcal{K}_+ = K\}| \le |\mathcal{K}| = |\mathcal{C}| \Longrightarrow \text{It follows that K is unique !}$ 

Let 
$$M \in \mathcal{M}, C \in \mathcal{C}, \Longrightarrow P(\hat{C} = C) = P(\hat{K} = K(M, C))$$

Because of perfect secrecy that is independent of M.

Fix  $C_o \in \mathcal{C} \Longrightarrow \{K(M, C_o) | M \in \mathcal{M}\} = \mathcal{K}$ , due to the injectivity of  $e(\cdot, K)$  and the sets have the same order

$$\implies P(\hat{C} = C) = P(\hat{K} = K) \quad \forall C \in \mathcal{C}, K \in \mathcal{K}$$

$$\implies P(\hat{K} = K) = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{K}|}$$

#### **Solution of Problem 3**

Given: Alphabet  $\mathcal{A}$ , blocklength  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{A}^n = \mathcal{C}$ .  $\mathcal{A}^n$  describes all possible streams of n bits.

- a) An encryption is an injective function  $e_K : \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{C}$ , with  $K \in \mathcal{K}$ . Fix key  $K \in \mathcal{K}$ . As  $e(\cdot, K)$  is injective, it holds:
  - $\{e(M,K) \mid M \in \mathcal{M}\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$
  - $\{e(M,K) \mid M \in \mathcal{M}\} = \mathcal{M}$
  - Since  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{C} \Rightarrow e(\mathcal{M}, K) = \mathcal{C}$  also surjective
  - $\Rightarrow e(\mathcal{M}, K)$  is a bijective function.

A permutation  $\pi$  is a bijective (one-to-one) function  $\pi: \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{X}$ .  $\Rightarrow$  For each K, the encryption  $e(\cdot, K)$  is a permutation with  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{A}^n$ .

**b)** With  $\mathcal{A} = \{0, 1\} \Rightarrow |\mathcal{A}| = |\{0, 1\}| = 2$ , and n = 6 there are  $N = 2^6 = 64$  elements. It follows that there are  $64! \approx 1.2689 \cdot 10^{89}$  different block ciphers.

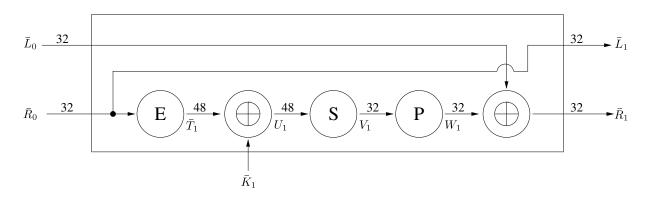
### Solution of Problem 4

a) Show the validity of the complementation property:  $DES(M, K) = DES(\overline{M}, \overline{K})$ . Consider each operation of the DES encryption for the complemented input. In order

Consider each operation of the DES encryption for the complemented input. In order to track the impact of the complemented input, we will introduce auxiliary variables  $T_1, U_1, V_1, W_1$ .

- $IP(\overline{M}) = \overline{IP(M)} = (\overline{L_0}, \overline{R_0})$ , permutation does not affect the complement
- $E(\overline{R_0}) = \overline{E(R_0)} := \overline{T}_1$ , the doubled/expanded bits are also complemented
- $\overline{T_1} \oplus \overline{K_1} = T_1 \oplus K_1 := U_1$ , XOR  $(\oplus)$  of complements is unchanged

- $S(U_1) := V_1$  is unchanged w.r.t. the non-complementary case
- $P(V_1) := W_1$  is unchanged w.r.t. the non-complementary case
- $W_1 \oplus \overline{L_0} = \overline{R}_1$ , next input is just complemented
- $L_1 = \overline{R_0} = \overline{L}_1$ , next input is just complemented
- $\Rightarrow$  Thus, we obtain  $SBB(\overline{R}_1, \overline{L_1}) = \overline{SBB(R_1, L_1)}$
- Analogous iterations for each i=2,...,16:  $(\overline{L}_1,\overline{R}_1)\to\cdots\to(\overline{L}_{16},\overline{R}_{16})$
- $IP^{-1}(\overline{R_{16}}, \overline{L_{16}})$ , permutation does not affect the complement
- As a result,  $\operatorname{DES}(\overline{M}, \overline{K}) = \overline{\operatorname{DES}(M, K)} \checkmark$



**b)** • In a brute-force attack, the amount of cases is halved since we can apply a chosen-plaintext attack with M and  $\overline{M}$ .

# Solution of Problem 5

- a) Let us first take a look at Table 5.1 (Permutation Choice 1). Which bits are used to construct  $C_0$  and  $D_0$  from  $K_0$ ?
  - $C_0$  is constructed from:
    - Bits 1, 2, 3 of the first 4 bytes, and

 $\bullet$  bits 1, 2, 3, 4 of the last 4 bytes

 $D_0$  is constructed from:

- $\bullet$  Bits 4, 5, 6, 7 of the first 4 bytes, and
- bits 5, 6, 7 of the last 4 bytes

Note that this particular structure is also indicated by the given weak key.

This construction can also be seen in the following table:

When considering  $C_0$ , read columnwise (bottom to top) and from left to right. Table 5.1 (PC1) has exactly the same sequence, i.e., we have discovered a part of its construction principle. Similar steps are applied to construct  $D_0$ .

When regarding the bit-sequence of the given round key  $K_0 = 0x1F1F$  1F1F 0E0E 0E0E, we now easily see that:

- All bits of  $C_0$  are 0, and all bits of  $D_0$  are 1.
- For the given  $C_0$  and  $D_0$ , cyclic shifting does not change the bits at all.
  - $\Rightarrow$  We obtain  $C_i = C_0$  and  $D_i = D_0$  for all rounds i = 1, ..., 16.
  - $\Rightarrow$  All round keys are the same:  $K_1 = K_2 = \ldots = K_{16}$ .
- Since decryption in DES is executing the encryption with round keys in reverse order, we observe that encryption acts identically to decryption for given weak key. Thus, a twofold encryption with the weak key, yields the original plaintext:

$$\mathrm{DES}_K(\mathrm{DES}_K(M)) = M \quad \forall M \in \mathcal{M}$$

b) In order to find further weak keys, we intend to produce  $K_1 = K_2 = ... = K_{16}$ . It suffices to generate  $C_0$  and  $D_0$  such that they contain only either zeros or ones only. In particular, we choose the bits K = XXXXYYYYY with the first 4 bytes X and the last 4 bytes Y such that:

$$X = bbbcccc*, \quad Y = bbbbccc*, \quad b, c \in \{0, 1\}.$$

with \* fulfilling the corresponding parity check condition. Then  $C_0$  and  $D_0$  become

$$C_0 = bb \dots b$$
,  $D_0 = cc \dots c$ 

and it holds that

$$C_0 = C_n$$
,  $D_0 = D_n \quad \forall \, 0 \le n \le 16$ ,

because  $C_n, D_n$  are created by a cyclic shift of  $C_0, D_0$  respectively.

The 4 weak keys are simply all possible cases of  $b, c \in \{0, 1\}$  with the proper parity bits:

$$K_1 = 0$$
x0101 0101 0101 0101 ,  $b = c = 0$  ,  $d = e = 1$ 

$$K_2 = {\tt 0x1F1F\ 1F1F\ 0E0E\ 0E0E}\,, \quad b = 0\,, \quad c = 1\,, \quad d = 1\,, \quad e = 0$$

$$K_3 = {\tt 0xE0E0\;E0E0\;F1F1\;F1F1}\;, \quad b=1\,, \quad c=0\,, \quad d=0\,, \quad e=1$$

$$K_4 = {\tt OxFEFE\ FEFE\ FEFE\ FEFE\ }, \quad b=c=1\,, \quad d=e=0$$