

CSS 322 – QUIZ 2 ANSWERS

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Question 1 [2 marks]

Confusion is a fundamental concept in block ciphers: *confusion* aims to make the relationship between the ciphertext and key as complex as possible, usually using a complex substitution algorithm. In DES, select the component that provides the most *confusion* (only select one):

1. Initial Permutation

2. S-Boxes

3. Expand and Permutation operation

4. Permutation of S-box outputs

5. Swapping the left and right halves

6. Exclusive OR operations

Question 2 [2 marks]

Indicate whether each statement is True or False (circle the correct answer):

- a) A desirable property of an encryption algorithm is that small changes in key values produces small changes in the output ciphertext T / F
- b) DES is no longer recommended for use because the Feistel structure does not provide adequate security. T / F
- c) AES can use a smaller block size than DES. T / F
- d) 16 subkeys are generated for DES encryption – we must generate another 16 different subkeys for the corresponding DES decryption operation. T / F

Question 3 [2.5 marks]

Connect the operations on the left with the correct description on the right for Simplified AES:

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| a. The Shift Row operation | 1. uses an exclusive OR with a 8-bit constant (10000000) |
| b. The Add Key operation | 2. uses S-Boxes. |
| c. The Mix column operation | 3. swaps the 2 nd and 4 th nibbles in the state matrix. |
| d. Nibble substitution | 4. uses an exclusive OR on a round key. |
| e. Key generation | 5. uses Galois Field GF(2 ⁴) arithmetic. |

a – 3; b – 4; c – 5; d – 2; e – 1 or 2

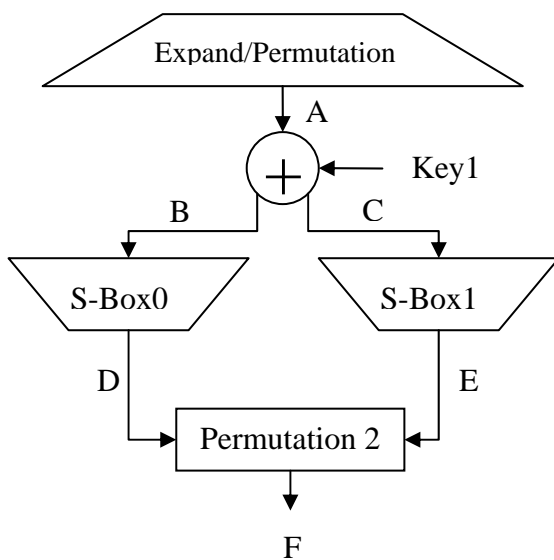
Question 4 [3.5 marks]

Calculate the values for B, C, D, E and F in the diagram for S-DES encryption below, where $A = 11011000$ and $\text{Key } 1 = 01010000$. You may use the information below the diagram.

Answer (B): 1000 Answer (C): 1000

Answer (D): 00 Answer (E): 11

Answer (F): 0110



Expand/Permutation with 8 bit input, output bit order is: 4 1 2 3 2 3 4 1

Permutation 2, output bit order is: 2 4 3 1

S-Box 0

S-Box 1

$$S_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 01 & 00 & 11 & 10 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 & 00 \\ 00 & 10 & 01 & 11 \\ 11 & 01 & 11 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 00 & 01 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 00 & 01 & 11 \\ 11 & 00 & 01 & 00 \\ 10 & 01 & 00 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$