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Topic 3.1 Secret Key Cryptography – Algorithms	
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Secret Keys or Secret Algorithms ? WILLIAM

- "Security by obscurity"
 - "hide" the details of the algorithms
 - drawback: hard to keep secret if cipher is used widely, or implementation can be reverse engineered
- Alternative: publish the algorithms
 - fewer vulnerabilities will result if many smart people try and fail to break the cipher
 - security of the cipher depends on the secrecy of the keys, instead

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- Commercial world relies upon standardized, public algorithms, and secret keys
- Government tends to also rely on secret algorithms

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Secret Key Cryptography WILLIAM SMARY Plaintext Encryption ciphertext Lev Lev Same key is used for both encryption and

- Same key is used for both encryption and decryption
 - this one key is shared by two parties who wish to communicate securly
- Also known as symmetric key cryptography, or shared key cryptography



Applications of Secret Key Crypto WILLIAM

- Communicating securely over an insecure channel
 - Alice encrypts using shared key
 - Bob decrypts result using same shared
- Secure storage on insecure media
 - Bob encrypts data before storage
 - Bob decrypts data on retrieval using the same key



Applications... (Cont'd)

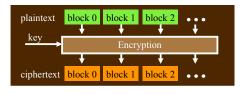
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- Message integrity
 - Alice computes a *message integrity* code (MIC) from the message, then encrypts with shared key
 - Bob decrypts the MIC on receipt, and verifies that it agrees with message contents
- Authentication
 - Bob can verify Alice sent the message
 - how is that possible?

Generic Block Encryption WILLIAM & MARY



- Converts one input plaintext block of fixed size k bits to an output ciphertext block also of k bits
- Benefits of large k? of short k?



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Key Sizes

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- Keys should be selected from a large potential set, to prevent brute force attacks
- Secret key sizes
 - 40 bits were considered adequate in 70's
 - 56 bits used by DES were adequate in the 80's
 - 128 bits are adequate for now
- If computers increase in power by 40% per year, need roughly 5 more key bits per decade to stay "sufficiently" hard to break

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Notation	Meaning
Х⊕У	Bit-wise exclusive-or of X and Y
ХІУ	Concatenation of X and Y
K{ <i>m</i> }	Message m encrypted with secret key K

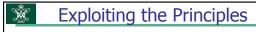
Two Principles for Cipher Design WILLIAM

Confusion:

 Make the relationship between the <plaintext, key> input and the <ciphertext> output as complex (nonlinear) as possible

Diffusion:

 Spread the influence of each input bit across many output bits



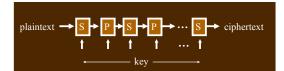
- Idea: use multiple, alternating permutations and substitutions, e.g.,
 - . S→P→S→P→S→...
 - P→S→P→S→P→...
- Do they have to alternate? e.g....
 - $\cdot S \rightarrow S \rightarrow S \rightarrow P \rightarrow P \rightarrow P \rightarrow S \rightarrow S \rightarrow ...??$
- Confusion is mainly accomplished by substitutions
- Diffusion is mainly accomplished by permutations
- Example ciphers: DES, AES

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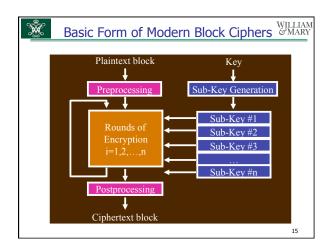
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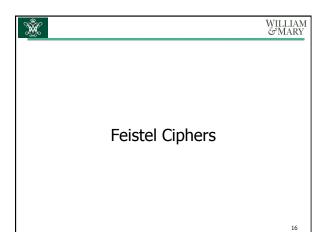
Secret Key... (Cont'd) WILLIAM & MARY

 Basic technique used in secret key ciphers: multiple applications of alternating substitutions and permutations



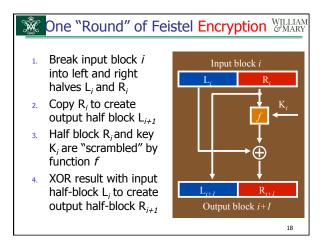
Well-known examples: DES, AES

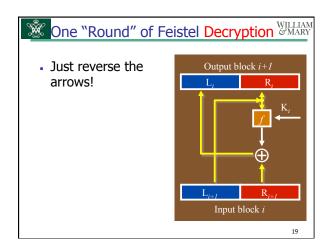


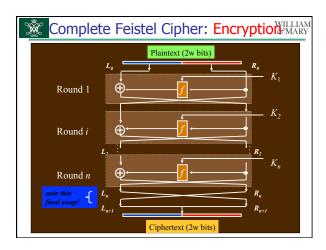


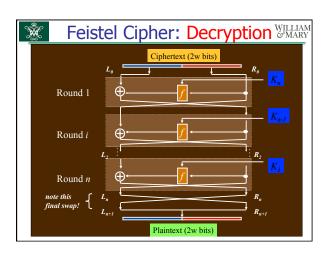


- Feistel Cipher has been a very influential "template" for designing a block cipher
- Major benefit: can do encryption and decryption with the same hardware
- Examples: DES, RC5









Parameters of a Feistel Cipher WILLIAM PARY Block size Key size Number of rounds Subkey generation algorithm • "Scrambling" function f WILLIAM どMARY Comments Decryption is the same as encryption, only reversing the order in which round keys are applied Reversability of Feistel cipher derives from reversability of XOR Function f can be anything Hopefully something easy to compute • There is no need to invert *f* WILLIAM &MARY DES (Data Encryption Standard)

DES (Data Encryption Standard) WILLIAM STANDARY

- Standardized in 1976 by NBS (now NIST)
 - · proposed by IBM,
 - Feistel cipher
- Criteria (official)
 - provide high level of security
 - security must reside in key, not algorithm
 - not patented
 - must be exportable
 - efficient to implement in hardware

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DES... (Cont'd)

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- · Criteria (unofficial)
- must be slow to execute in software
- must be breakable by NSA :-)

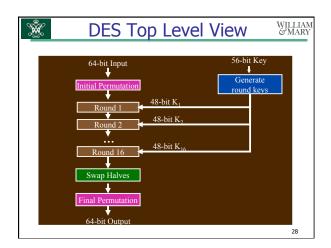
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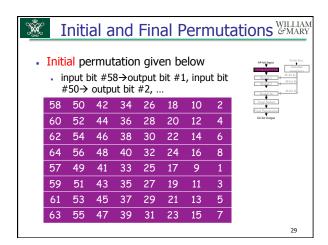
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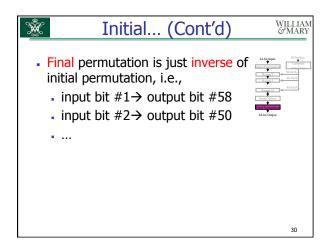
<u>©</u> DES Basics

- Blocks: 64 bit plaintext input,
 64 bit ciphertext output
- Rounds: 16
- Key: 64 bits
 - every 8th bit is a parity bit, so really <u>56</u> bits long









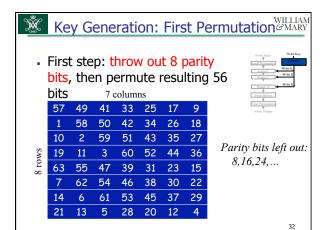


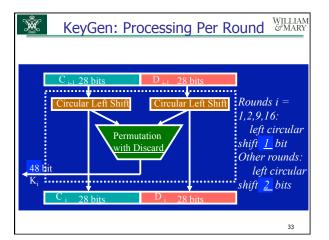
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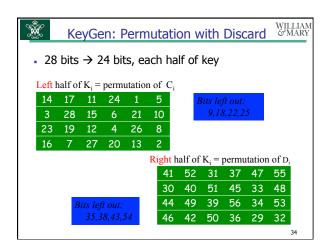
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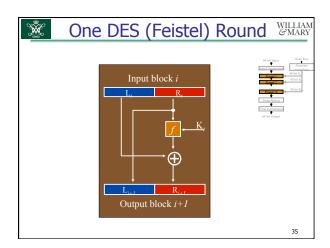
- Note #1: Initial Permutation is fully specified (independent of key)
 - therefore, does not improve security!
 - · why needed?
- Note #2: Final Permutation is needed to make this a Feistel cipher
 - i.e., can use same hardware for both encryption and decryption

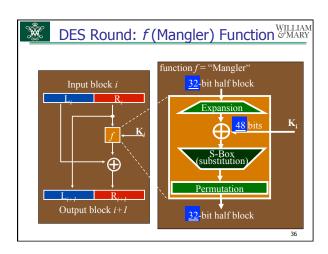
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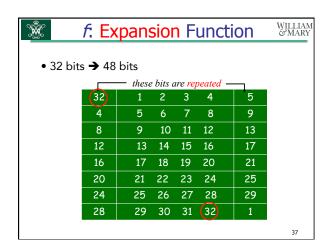


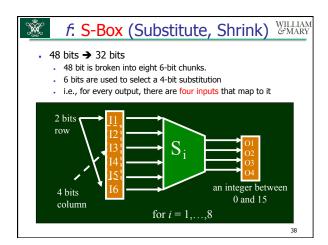


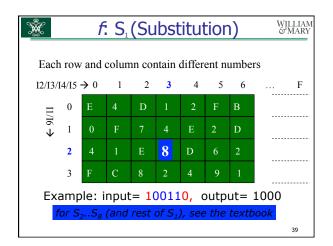


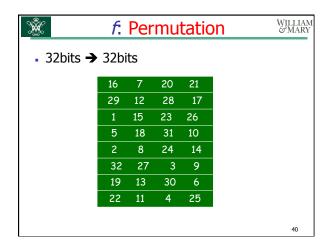


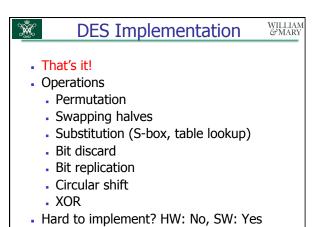


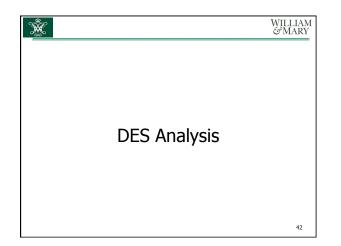












Good Design? WILLIAM CHARY	
 "We don't know if the particular details were well-chosen for strength, whether someone flipped coins to construct the S-boxes, or whether the details were chosen to have a weakness that could be exploited by the designers." 	
Issues for Block Ciphers WILLIAM Number of rounds should be large enough to make advanced attacks as expensive as exhaustive search for the key	
Principles for S-Box Design WILLIAM S-box is the only non-linear part of DES Each row in the S-Box table should be a permutation of the possible output values Output of one S-box should affect other S-boxes in the following round	

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Desirable Property: Avalanche Effect WILLIAM SMARY

- Roughly: a small change in either the plaintext or the key should produce a big change in the ciphertext
- Better: any output bit should be inverted (flipped) with probability 0.5 if any input bit is changed
- f function
 - must be difficult to un-scramble
 - should achieve avalanche effect
 - output bits should be uncorrelated



DES Avalanche Effect: Example WILLIAM GMARY

- 2 plaintexts with 1 bit difference: 0x8000000000000000 encrypted using the same key: 0x016B24621C181C32
- Resulting ciphertexts differ in 34 bits (out of 64)
- Similar results when keys differ by 1 bit

Example (cont'd)

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• An experiment: number of rounds vs. number of bits difference

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Round #	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Bits changed	1	6	21	35	39	34	32	31	29
		10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
	42	44	32	30	30	26	29	34	



DES: Keys to Avoid Using WILLIAM WHARY



- "Weak keys": 4 keys with property $K\{K\{m\}\}=m$
- What's bad about that?
- These are keys which, after the first key permutation, are:
 - 28 0's followed by 28 0's
 - . 28 0's followed by 28 1's
 - 28 1's followed by 28 0's
 - 28 1's followed by 28 1's



More Keys to Avoid!



"Semi-weak keys": pairs of keys with the property

$$\mathsf{K}_1\{\mathsf{K}_2\{m\}\} = m$$

- What's bad about that?
- These are keys which, after the first key permutation, are:
 - 28 0's followed by alternating 0's and 1's
 - 2. 28 0's followed by alternating 1's and 0's

12. alternating 1's and 0's followed by alternating 1's and



DES Key Size



- 56 bits is currently too small to resist brute force attacks using readily-available hardware
- Ten years ago it took \$250,000 to build a machine that could crack DES in a few hours
- Now?



Cryptanalysis of DES

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- Differential cryptanalysis exploits differences between encryptions of two different plaintext blocks
 - provides insight into possible key values
 - DES well designed to defeat differential analysis
- Linear cryptanalysis requires known plaintext / ciphertext pairs, analyzes relationships to discover key value
 - for DES, requires analyzing O(2⁴⁷) pairs
- No attacks on DES so far are significantly better than brute force attacks, for comparable cost

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AES (Advanced Encryption Standard)

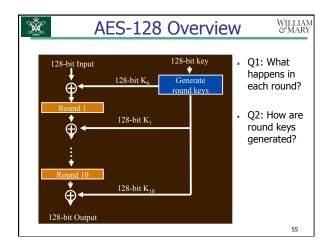
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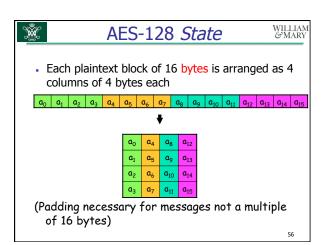


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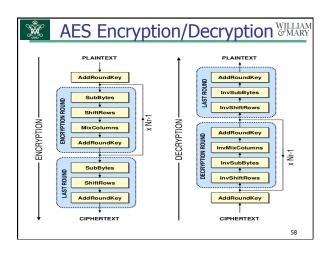
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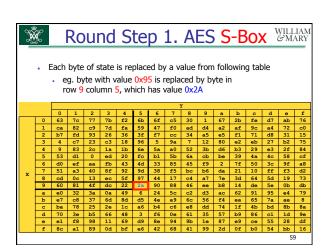
- Selected from an open competition, organized by NSA
 - winner: Rijndael algorithm, standardized as AES
 - A short history: http://www.moserware.com/2009/09/stick-figure-quide-to-advanced.html
- Some similarities to DES (rounds, round keys, alternate permutation+substitution)
 - but not a Feistel cipher
- Block size = 128 bits
- Key sizes = 128, 192, or 256
- Main criteria: secure, well justified, fast

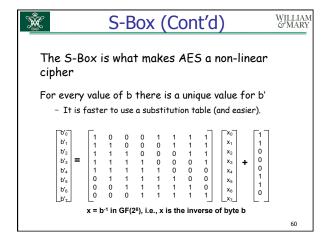


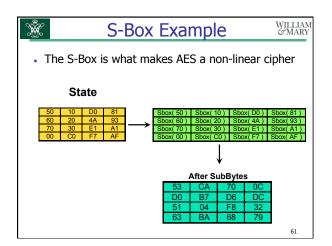


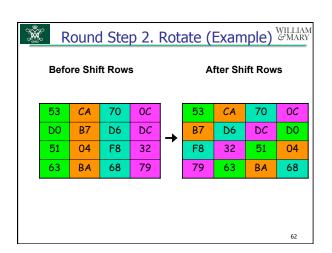
Ŵ	One AES-128 Round	WILLIAM &MARY
1.	Apply S-box function to each byte of the s (i.e., 16 substitutions)	state
2.	Rotate	
3.	 (row 0 of state is unchanged) row 1 of the state shifts left 1 column row 2 of the state shifts left 2 columns row 3 of the state shifts left 3 columns Apply MixColumn function to each column state last round omits this step 	of





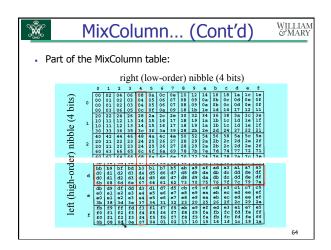


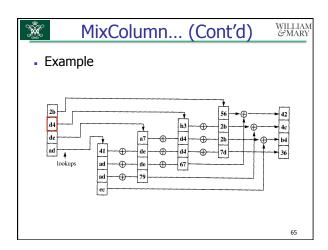


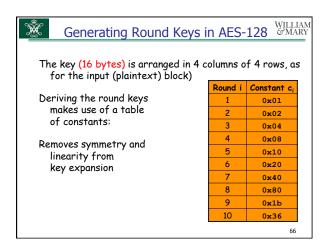


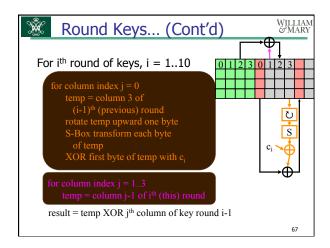
Round Step 3. MixColumn Function WILLIAM WARY Applied to each column of the state For each column, each byte a_i...a_{i+3} of the column is used to look up four 4-byte intermediate columns t_i...t_{i+3} from a table (next slide) The intermediate columns t_i...t_{i+3} are then combined (next slide + 1): rotate vertically so top octet of t_i is in the same row as input octet (a_i)

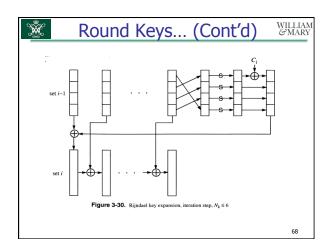
• XOR the four rotated columns together











Key Expansion Rationale WHARY Designed to resist known attacks Design criteria include knowing part of the key doesn't make it easy to find entire key key expansion must be invertible, but enough non-linearity to hinder analysis should be fast to compute, simple to

describe and analyzekey bits should be diffused into the round keys

Mathematics

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AES Operates on the binary field $GF(2^8)$

– this can be represented as a polynomial b(x) with binary coefficients $b\in\{0,1\}$:

$$b_7x^7 + b_6x^6 + b_5x^5 + b_4x^4 + b_3x^3 + b_2x^2 + b_1x + b_0$$

Multiplication in GF(28) consists of multiplying two polynomials modulo an irreducible polynomial of degree 8

- AES uses the following irreducible polynomial

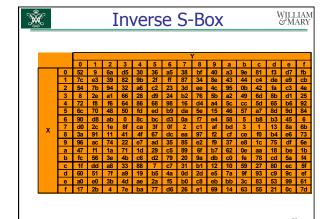
$$m(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$$

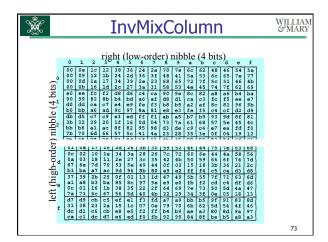
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AES-128 Decryption (Conceptual) WILLIAM OF MARY

- Run cipher in reverse, with inverse of each
- operation replacing the encryption operationsInverse operations:
 - . XOR is its own inverse
 - inverse of S-box is just the inverse table (next slide)
 - inverse of rotation in one direction is rotation in other direction
 - inverse of MixColumn is just the inverse table (next slide + 1)





AES Decryption (Actual) WILLIAM GMARY

- Run cipher in forward direction, except...
 - use inverse operations
 - apply round keys in reverse order
 - apply InvMixColumn to round keys
 K1
 K9
- Decryption takes more memory and cycles encryption
 - can only partially reuse hardware for encryption

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AES Assessment

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- Speed: about 16 clock cycles/byte on modern 32-bit CPUs
 - 200 MByte/s on a PC, no special hardware!
- No known successful attacks on full AES
 - best attacks work on 7-9 rounds (out of 10-14 rounds)
- Clean design
- For brute force attacks, AES-128 will take $4*10^{21} \text{ X}$ (= 2^{72}) more effort than DES



Attacks on AES

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Differential Cryptanalysis: based on how differences in inputs correlate with differences in outputs

- greatly reduced due to high number of rounds

Linear Cryptanalysis: based on correlations between input and output

 S-Box & MixColumns are designed to frustrate Linear Analysis

Side Channel Attacks: based on peculiarities of the implementation of the cipher

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Side Channel Attacks

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Timing Attacks: measure the time it takes to do operations

- some operations, with some operands, are much faster than other operations, with other operand
- provides clues about what internal operations are being performed, and what internal data values are being produced

Power Attacks: measures power to do operations

 changing one bit requires considerably less power than changing many bits in a byte

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Summary

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- Secret key crypto is (a) good quality, (b) faster to compute than public key crypto, and (c) the most widely used crypto
- DES strong enough for non-critical applications, but triple-DES is better
- AES even better (stronger and much faster), has versions with 128-, 192-, and 256-bit keys
- Secret key crypto requires "out-of-band", bilateral key negotiation/agreement