COMPUTER SUBJECT:	ENCRYPTION/DECRYPTION
TYPE:	GROUP WORK EXERCISE/DISCUSSION
IDENTIFICATION:	CRYPTOOL No 1/MC
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LEVEL:	EASY
DURATION:	1-2 hours
SIZE:	10 lines!! Answering a few questions
OBJECTIVE:	Introduction to classic and modern algorithms
REQUIREMENTS:	**Computer Network Ch.8-8.3**
COMMANDS:	

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CSF Chapter 1 Assignments

Mission
You are to get a general understanding of the basic symmetric encryption and decryption.

Purpose
The purpose of this assignment is to utilize Cryptool to get insight of the algorithms: Ceasar, DES, 3-DES and AES. Cryptool is very comprehensive SW-Tool with both visualizations and simulation of many algorithms (DES 3DES, AES, IDEA etc); and we just look into a few of them.

The following assignments can be solved in groups (1-2 persons).

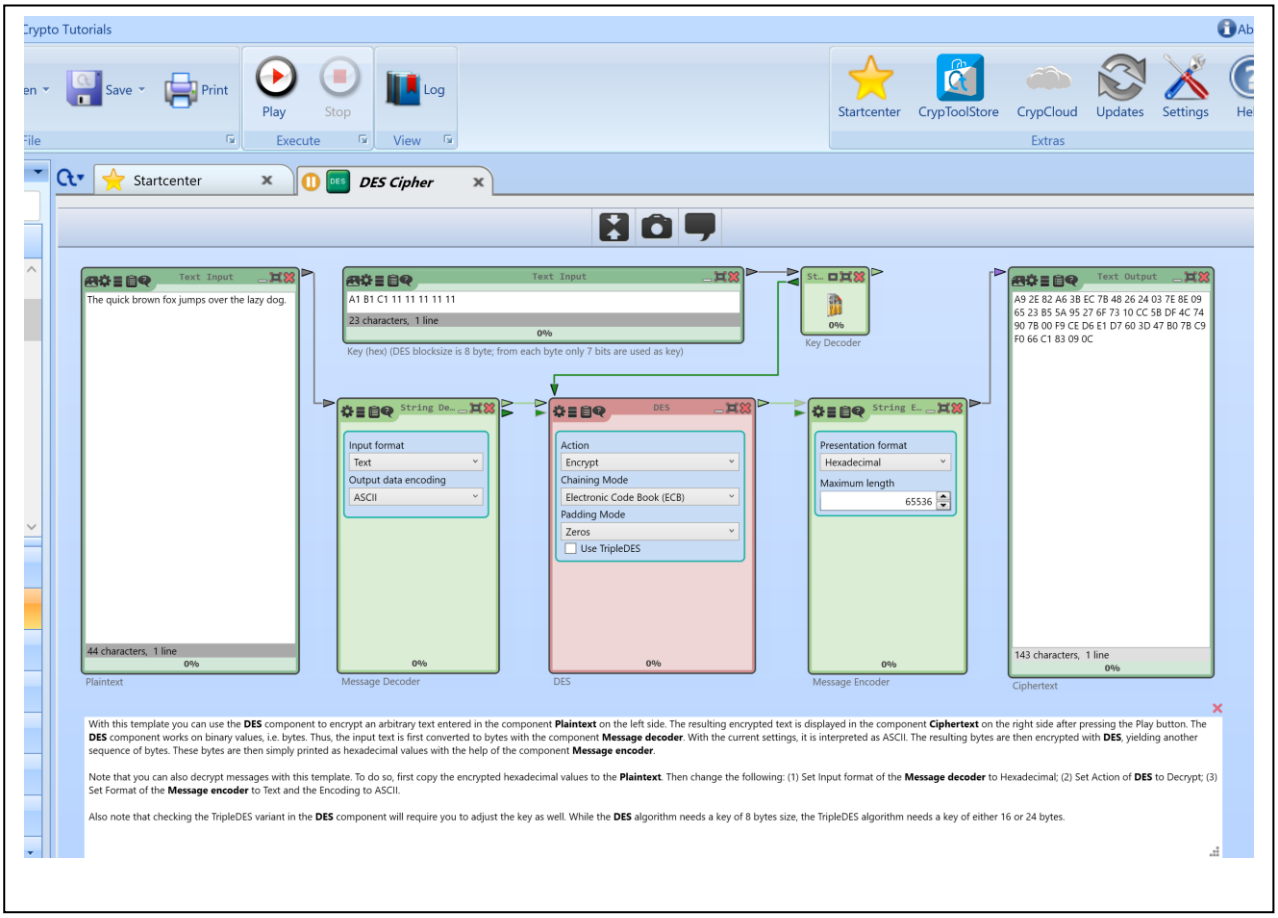
Useful links
http://www.cryptool.org

1. Download and install Cryptool from http://www.cryptool.org/
   Choose the new stable version 2.1.
   Start the tool

2. You are to encrypt and decrypt a message with a symmetric encryption algorithm for example DES, AES, IDEA, 3DES etc.
   Encryption
   We start with DES to get a feeling of the tool.

   In Cryptool StartCenter use ”Templates”
   Select: Cryptographic -> Modern -> Symmetric -> DESCipher

   Then you will see the following DESCipher



Notice the 7 components and also the ”Play” and ”Stop” buttons at the top-bar.
Discuss shortly the role of the each component.

DesCipher starts with a standard text in the left Plaintext component. It can be changed later.

Click ”Play”

And you get the encrypted message in the right Ciphertext component in Hexadecimal.
Type and try another plaintext and enecrypt it.

<u>Decryption</u>
Now you try decryption.
Copy and paste the Hexadecimal encrypted text into Plaintext.
In MessageDecoder chage input format to Hexadeciamal
In DES change Action to Decryption
In MessageEncoder change PresentationFormat to Text.

Then start decryption i.e. press ”Play”.

So far so good !

3. Encrypt a text message with another symmetric encryption algorithm, and e-mail the encrypted text to one of the other students in this course. Supply her/him with the necessary information to decrypt it.

4. Use the Cryptool template DES Known-Plaintext Analysis to find the key used for encryption. The ciphertext is known and a word (”Encryption”) is known to occur in the plaintext. The KeySearcher component tries to find the DES key using bute-force to search a subset of the entire key space. Finally the full plaintext is shown.
   Change the known word to “Standard“. Run again.
   Then change the known word to “The “. Run again.
   Ups! Does not work, Can you fix the problem !!

5. Use Cryptool template DES BruteForce Analysis to make a brute force attack on a text encrypted by DES. The secret key used is 12 34 56 78 90 11 11 11.
   But You have seen some part of the key 12 34 56 78 90 11 ?? ??.
   Make the necessay changes in the template.
   How long time will it take you to compromise the complete key by using a brute force attack?
   Assume You have seen more part of the key 12 34 56 78 90 11 11 ??.
   How long time will it then take you to compromise the complete key by using a brute force attack?

6. Encrypt a message with DES and decrypt it with triple DES, and opposite encrypt a message with triple DES and decrypt it with DES.

The next assignments are to be made at home !!

7. Use to Vizualization templates to get more insight of of DES, 3-DES or AES.

8. Many classic encryption algorithms exist. One of them is the Caesar algorithm. Read about the Caesar encryption algorithm in "Cryptool – help". Try to encrypt and to decrypt text messages with the Caesar algorithm.

9. The following message is encrypted with the Ceasar algorithm. Try to decrypt it - first manually and then automatically with one of the tools from Cryptool.

MbizDyyv

Drsc sc k dohd psvo, crygx sx ybnob dy rovz iye dy wkuo iyeb psbcd cdozc gsdr MbizDyyv.

1) Yxo drsxq iye mkx ny o.q. sc dy oxmbizd drsc psvo gsdr dro

Mkockb kvqybsdrw (fsk dro woxe "Mbizd \ Mvkccsmkv").

2) Dro locd yfobfsog klyed kvv pokdeboc yp MbizDyyv sc yppobon li

dro cdkbdsxq zkqo yp dro Gsxnygc yxvsxo rovz grsmr myxdksxc vsxuc dy kvv bovofkxd pexmdsyxc.

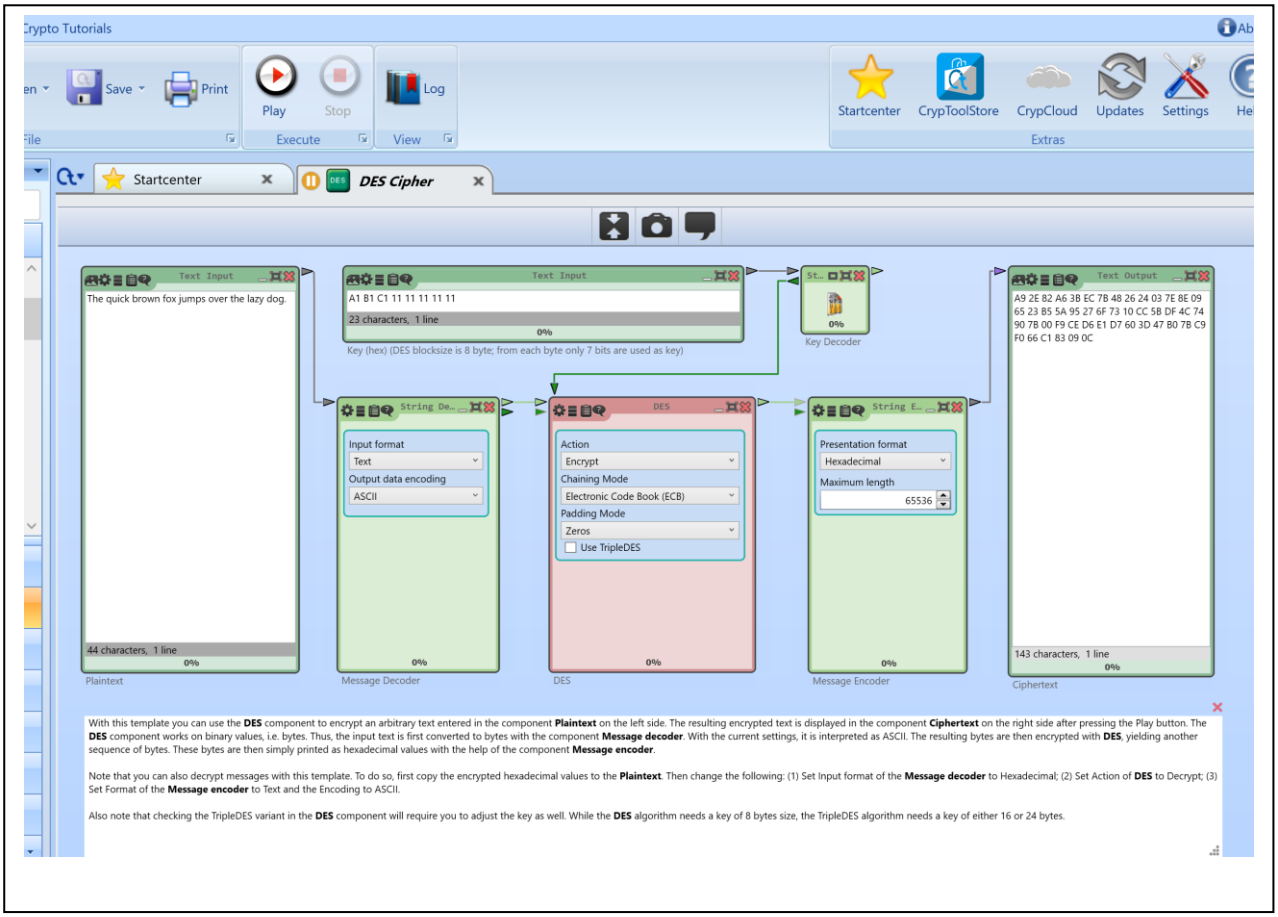
Iye mkx mkvv ez dro cdkbdsxq zkqo fsk dro woxe "Rovz \ Cdkbdsxq zkqo" yb ecsxq dro cokbmr uoigybn

"Cdkbdsxq zkqo" gsdrsx dro sxnoh yp dro yxvsxo rovz.

3) Oczomskvvi dro ohkwzvoc (dedybskvc) zbyfsnon gsdrsx dro yxvsxo rovz wkuo sd okci pyb iye dy qod

ez dy czoon. Droco zkqoc mkx lo pyexn fsk dro woxe "Rovz \ Cmoxkbsyc".

10. Deprecated. Only easy in version 1.4.2.
    A DES encrypted message is placed in Exercise folder on teachers home page (Moodle) the filename is DES. You have been lucky, you have seen some part of the key 12 34 56 78 90 ?? ?? ??. How long time will it take you to compromise the complete key by using a brute force attack?



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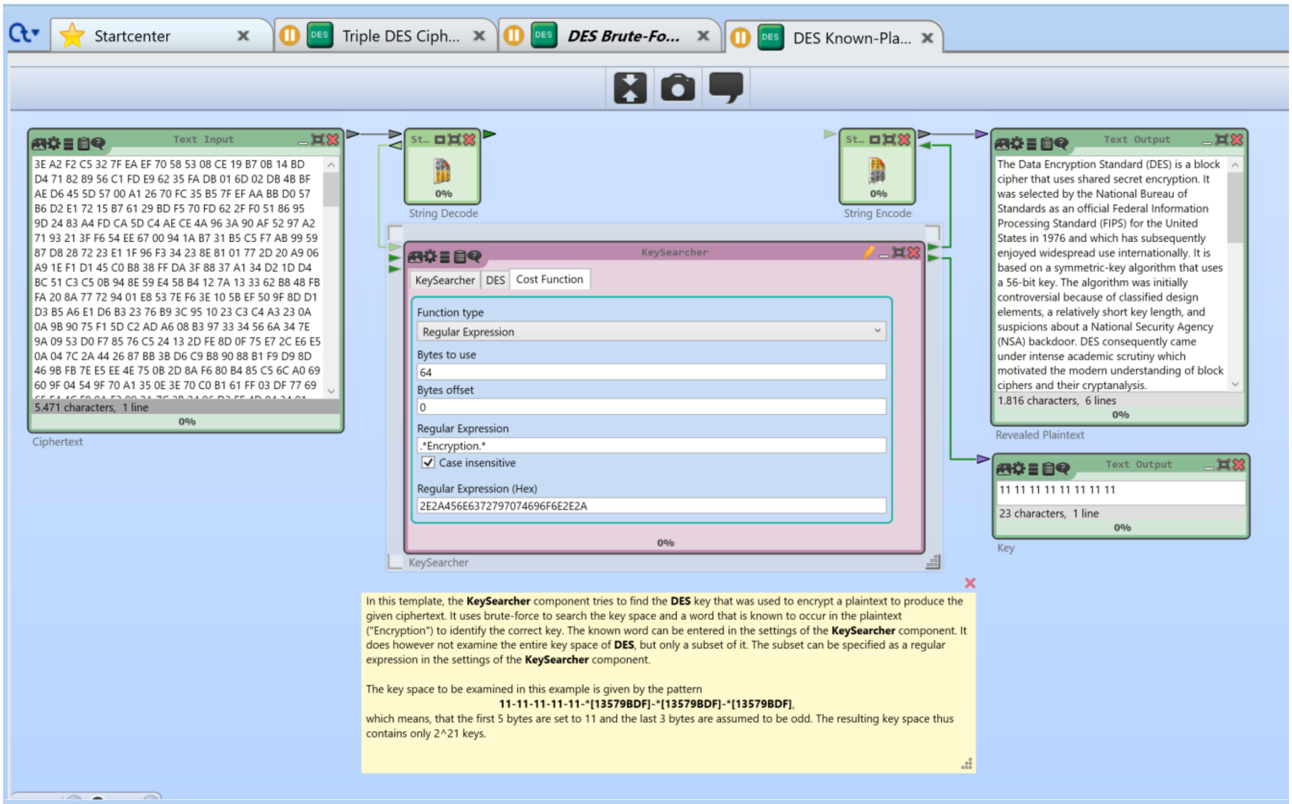
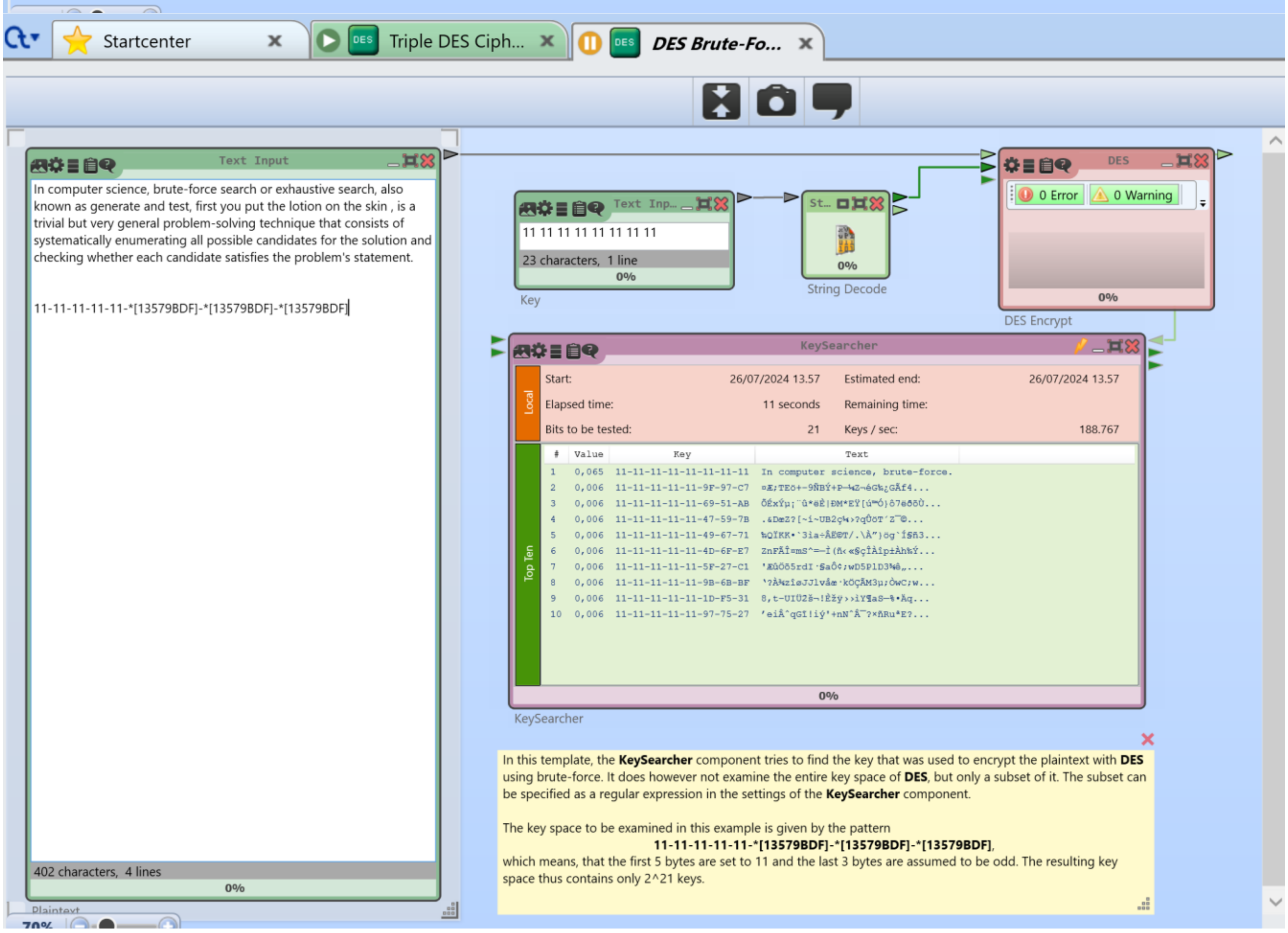


Startcenter
Triple DES Ciph...
DES Brute-Fo...
DES Known-Pla...
Text Input
Ciphertext
5.471 characters, 1 line
String Decode
String Encode
KeySearcher
Function type
Regular Expression
Bytes to use
64
Bytes offset
0
Regular Expression
.*Encryption.*
Case insensitive
Regular Expression (Hex)
2E2A456E6372797074696F6E2E2A
Text Output
The Data Encryption Standard (DES) is a block cipher that uses shared secret encryption. It was selected by the National Bureau of Standards as an official Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) for the United States in 1976 and which has subsequently enjoyed widespread use internationally. It is based on a symmetric-key algorithm that uses a 56-bit key. The algorithm was initially controversial because of classified design elements, a relatively short key length, and suspicions about a National Security Agency (NSA) backdoor. DES consequently came under intense academic scrutiny which motivated the modern understanding of block ciphers and their cryptanalysis.
1.816 characters, 6 lines
Revealed Plaintext
11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11
23 characters, 1 line
Key
In this template, the KeySearcher component tries to find the DES key that was used to encrypt a plaintext to produce the given ciphertext. It uses brute-force to search the key space and a word that is known to occur in the plaintext ("Encryption") to identify the correct key. The known word can be entered in the settings of the KeySearcher component. It does however not examine the entire key space of DES, but only a subset of it. The subset can be specified as a regular expression in the settings of the KeySearcher component.
The key space to be examined in this example is given by the pattern
11-11-11-11-11-*[13579BDF]-*[13579BDF]-*[13579BDF],
which means, that the first 5 bytes are set to 11 and the last 3 bytes are assumed to be odd. The resulting key space thus contains only 2^21 keys.



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DES Brute-Fo...
Text Input
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11-11-11-11-11-*[13579BDF]-*[13579BDF]-*[13579BDF]
402 characters, 4 lines
Plaintext
11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11
23 characters, 1 line
Key
String Decode
DES
0 Error
0 Warning
DES Encrypt
KeySearcher
Start: 26/07/2024 13.57
Estimated end: 26/07/2024 13.57
Elapsed time: 11 seconds
Remaining time:
Bits to be tested: 21
Keys / sec: 188.767
Local
Top Ten
Value Key Text
1 0,065 11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11 In computer science, brute-force.
2 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-9F-97-C7
3 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-69-51-AB
4 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-47-59-7B
5 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-49-67-71
6 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-4D-6F-E7
7 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-5F-27-C1
8 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-9B-6B-BF
9 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-1D-F5-31
10 0,006 11-11-11-11-11-97-75-27
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Assignment 2
Visit http://www.digitalattackmap.com/
Pick out 1-2 interesting periods of activity and describe the following:

- The date (period)
- A major botnet's activity and list:
  - Source and Destination
  - How long the attack has been occurring
  - How has the attack been pulled off?

Note: If digitalattackmap is not working for you just skip this assignment and go on to the next one.

Assignment 3
Find at least two major companies/organizations/NGO's that have been attacked lately.
Explain what happened and how the company handled the situation.

Assignment 4
Look at the following keywords and state a short answer:

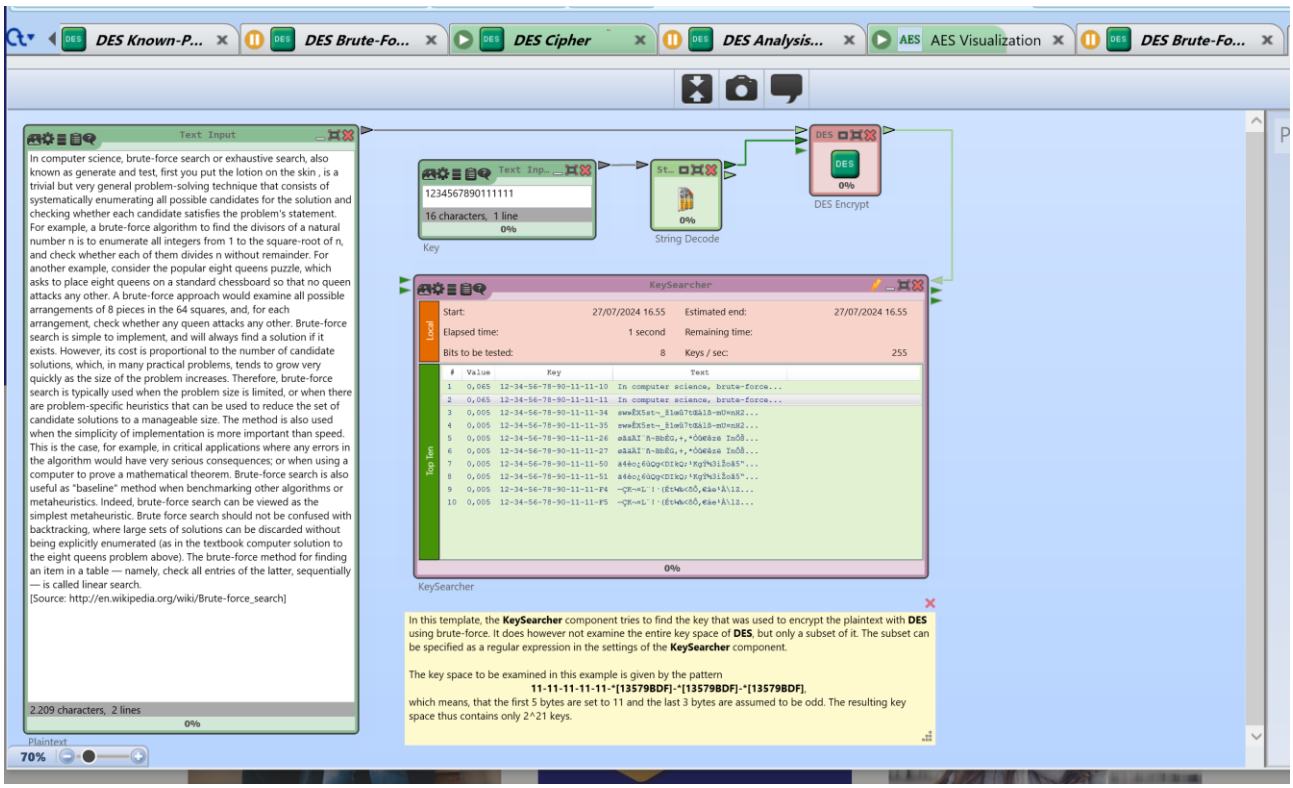
1. What is confidentiality?
2. What is integrity?
3. What is authentication?
4. What is authorization?
5. What is availability?
6. What is a Denial of Service (DoS) attack?
7. What is DDos?
8. What is a virus?
9. What is a Trojan horse?
10. What is a worm?
11. What is a bot?
12. What is a botnet?
13. What is a zero day?
14. What is an n-day?
15. Is a bug the same as vulnerability?
16. What is a weakness?
17. Name 4 ways an attacker can act anonymously online

Assignment 5
Here you shall utilize www.owasp.org and your list from assignment 1.
Take a good look at the top ten security risks at owasp.
This is done by using the menu "projects" and https://owasp.org/Top10/
Also you might prefer to look at https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/2017/Top_10

Then choose 1-2 of these attacks and detail the description, i.e. state the:

- exploitability, how easy is it to do (and possibility of doing it)
- prevalence(likelihood), how often does it occur (how common is it)
- detectability, how easy is it to detect the vulnerability
- impact, how severe is the damage of a successful attack

all using the scale: high, medium, low


DES Known-P...
DES Brute-Fo...
DES Cipher
DES Analysis...
AES Visualization
DES Brute-Fo...
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[Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brute-force_search]
2.209 characters, 2 lines
0%
Plaintext
70%
123456789011111
16 characters, 1 line
0%
Key
String Decode
DES Encrypt
KeySearcher
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