

Encryption Algorithms & Protocols

Symmetric key Crypto
- **Stream Ciphers**

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Symmetric key Crypto

- Stream cipher is based on **one-time pad cipher**.
 - Except that key is relatively short
 - Key is stretched into a long keystream
 - Keystream is used just like a one-time pad.
- Block cipher is based on **codebook concept**
 - Block cipher key determines a codebook
 - Each key yields a different codebook
 - Employs both “confusion” and “diffusion”

Stream cipher

- Once upon a time, not so very long ago, stream ciphers were the king of crypto
- Today, not as popular as block ciphers
- We'll discuss two stream ciphers...
- A5/1
 - Based on shift registers
 - Used in GSM mobile phone system
- RC4
 - Based on a changing lookup table.
 - Used in many places.

A5/1: Shift Registers Cipher

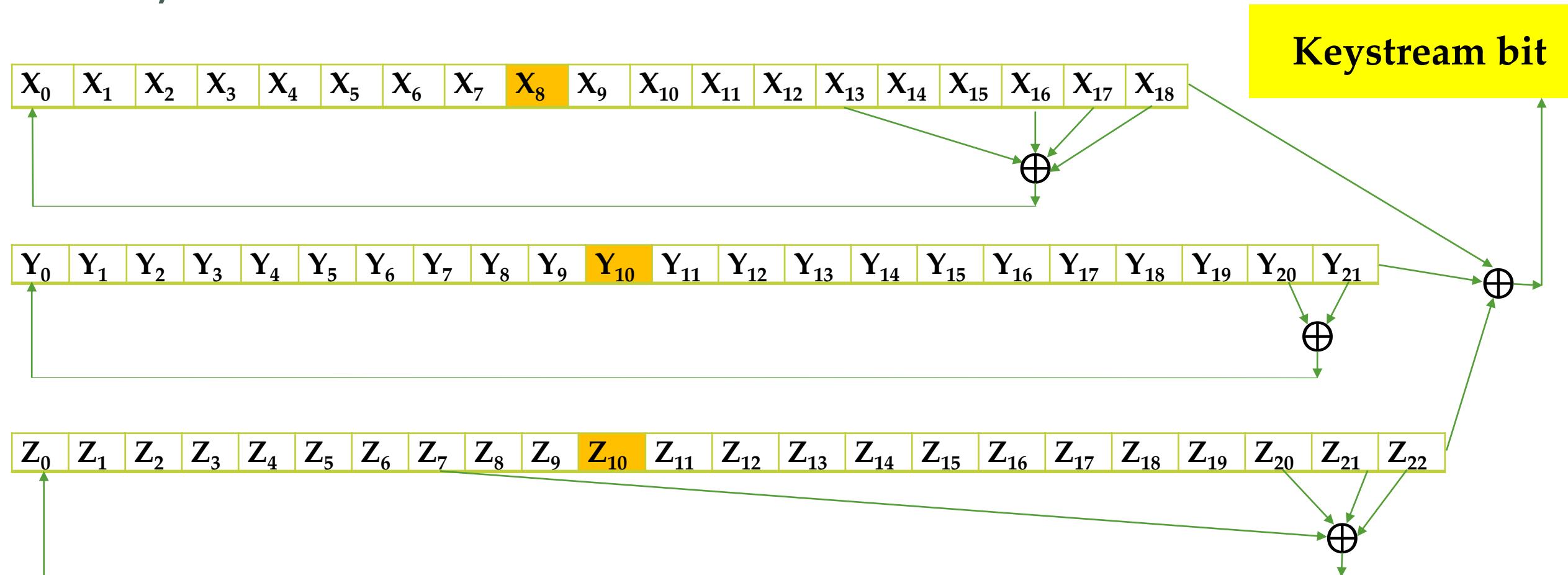
- A5/1 uses 3 shift registers
 - X: 19 bits $(x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{18})$
 - Y: 22 bits $(y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{21})$
 - Z: 23 bits $(z_0, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{22})$
 - Total: 64 bits → key

A5/1 Rules

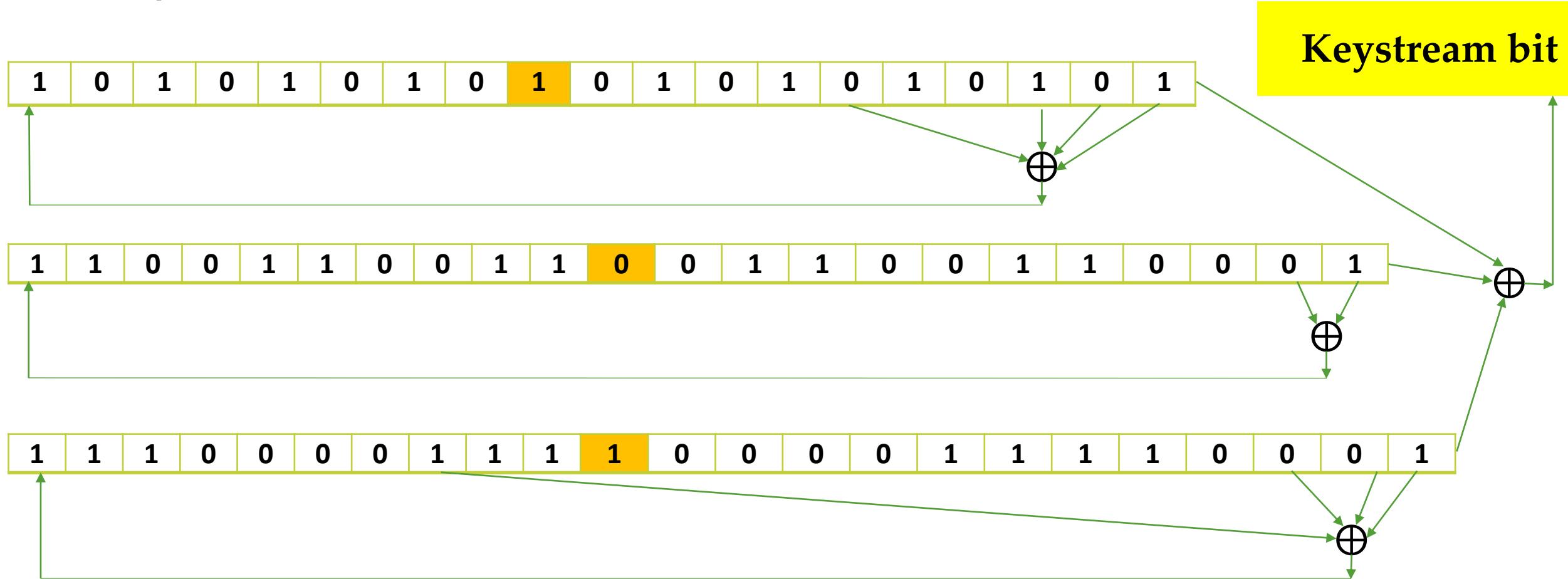
- At each step: $m = \text{maj}(x_8, y_{10}, z_{10})$
- Examples: $\text{maj}(0,1,0) = 0$ and $\text{maj}(1,1,0) = 1$
- If $x_8 = m$ then X steps
 - $x_i = x_{i-1}$ for $i = 18, 17, 16, 15, \dots, 1$ and $x_0 = t$
 - $t = x_{13} \oplus x_{16} \oplus x_{17} \oplus x_{18}$
- If $y_{10} = m$ then y steps
 - $y_i = y_{i-1}$ for $i = 21, 20, 19, 18, \dots, 1$ and $y_0 = t$
 - $t = y_{20} \oplus y_{21}$
- If $z_{10} = m$ then z steps
 - $z_i = z_{i-1}$ for $i = 22, 21, 20, 19, \dots, 1$ and $z_0 = t$
 - $t = z_7 \oplus z_{20} \oplus z_{21} \oplus z_{22}$

Keystream bit is $x_{18} \oplus y_{21} \oplus z_{22}$

A5/1 Rules



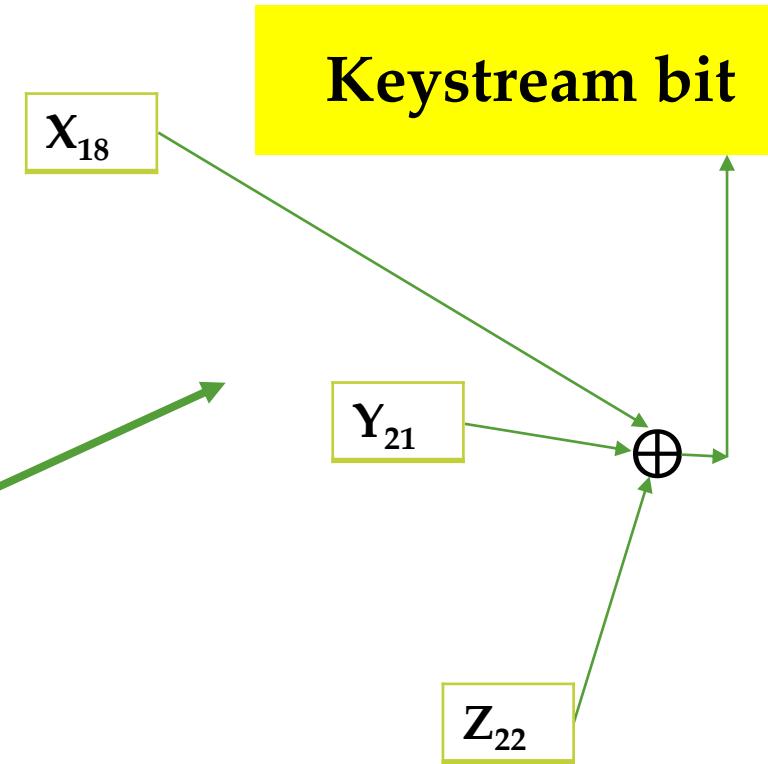
A5/1 Rules



in this example, $m = \text{maj}(x_8, y_{10}, z_{10}) = \text{maj}(1,0,1) = 1$. Register X steps, Y does not step, and Z steps

Understanding the rules

- Each variable here is a single bit.
- Key is used as initial fill of registers.
- Each register steps (or not) based on $maj(x_8, y_{10}, z_{10})$.
- Keystream bit is XOR of rightmost bits of registers.



استخدم طريقة A5/1 Keystream وذلك لتوليد مفتاح متباين لتشифر البيانات التالية 11001. افرض ان مسجلات كل من X,Y,Z كما موضحة بالشكل أدناه، استخدم المفتاح الذي سيتم توليده وذلك لتشифر البيانات الموضحة أعلاه.



Example

- Use A5/1 keystream generation method to generate a key which will be used to encrypt the data (11001). Assume that X, Y and Z registers are as shown below. Once the key is generated, use it to encrypt the data shown above.
 - More about A5/1 Please see videos below:
 - https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=RC4+keystream+generation
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1GoP_HfF_v4

RC4 Cipher

- RC4 is a stream cipher, but it's a completely different from A5/1.
- The RC4 is optimized for software implementation, whereas A5/1 is designed for hardware.
- RC4 produces a keystream byte at each step, whereas A5/1 only produces a single keystream bit.
- Generating a byte at each step is much better than generating a single bit.
- RC4 is a self-modifying lookup table.
- Table always contains a permutation of the byte values $0, 1, \dots, 255$
- At each step, RC4 does the following
 - Swaps elements in current lookup table
 - Selects a keystream byte from table

RC4 Algorithm

- $\text{for } i = 0 \text{ to } 255$
- $S[t] = i$ For each keystream byte, swap elements in table and select byte
- $K[i] = \text{key } [z \bmod N]$ $i = (i + 1) \bmod 256$
- $\text{next } i$ $j = (j + S[i]) \bmod 256$
- $J = 0$ $\text{swap}(S[i], S[j])$
- $\text{for } i = 0 \text{ to } 255$ $t = (S[i] + S[j]) \bmod 256$
- $j = (j + s[i] + K[i]) \bmod 256$ $\text{keystreamByte} = S[t]$
- $\text{swap}(s[i], s[j])$ Use keystream bytes like a one-time pad
- $\text{next } i$
- $i = j = 0$

Example on RC4 Cipher

- S-array (state Array) $s - array = [0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7]$
- K-array (key Array) $k - array = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 6]$
- Plaintext (plaintext array) $\text{Plaintext} - array = [1 \ 2 \ 2 \ 2]$
- Initialize T-array with Key. $T - array = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 6 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 6]$ (Same size with S-array).
- $i = 0 \text{ to } 7$ (8 iterations)
- $j = (j + s[i] + k[i]) \bmod 8$
- $swap(s[i], s[j])$
- Number of iteration is depends on the size of $S - array$

RC4 Cipher

$$s = [0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7]$$

$$K = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 6 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 6]$$

- STEP 1: Key scheduling process: (Number of iteration depends on the size of S – array) = (8)

- $i = 0, j = 0$
- $j = (j + s[i] + k[i])mod 8 = (0 + 0 + 1) mod 8 = 1$
- $j = 1, swap(s[0], s[1]) = swap(0,1)$
- $s = [1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7]$
- -----

- $i = 1, j=1$
- $j = (j + s[i] + k[i])mod 8 = (1 + 0 + 2) mod 8 = 3$
- $j = 3, swap(s[1], s[3]) = swap(0,3)$
- $s – array = [1 \ 3 \ 2 \ 0 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7]$
- -----

- $i = 2, j=3$
- $j = (j + s[i] + k[i])mod 8 = (3 + 2 + 3) mod 8 = 0$
- $j = 0, swap(s[2], s[0]) = swap(2,1)$
- $s – array = [2 \ 3 \ 1 \ 0 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7]$

- $i = 3, j=0$
- $j = (j + s[3] + k[3])mod 8 = (0 + 0 + 6) mod 8 = 6$
- $j = 6, swap(s[3], s[6]) = swap(0,6)$
- $s – array = [2 \ 3 \ 1 \ 6 \ 4 \ 5 \ 0 \ 7]$
- -----

- $i = 4, j=6$
- $j = (j + s[i] + k[i])mod 8 = (6 + 4 + 1) mod 8 = 3$
- $j = 3, swap(s[4], s[3]) = swap(4,6)$
- $s – array = [2 \ 3 \ 1 \ 4 \ 6 \ 5 \ 0 \ 7]$
- -----

- $i = 5, j=3$
- $j = (j + s[i] + k[i])mod 8 = (3 + 5 + 2) mod 8 = 2$
- $j = 2, swap(s[5], s[2]) = swap(5,1)$
- $s = [2 \ 3 \ 5 \ 4 \ 6 \ 1 \ 0 \ 7]$

RC4 Cipher

K = [1 2 3 6 1 2 3 6]

s = [2 3 5 4 6 1 0 7]

Initial state array s – array = [0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7]

New state array s – array = [2 3 7 4 6 0 1 5]

- $i = 6, j=2$
- $j = (j + s[i] + k[i])mod 8 = (2 + 0 + 3) mod 8 = 5$
- $j = 5, swap(s[6], s[5]) = swap (0,1)$
- $s – array = [2 3 5 4 6 0 1 7]$
- -----
- $i = 7, j=5$
- $j = (j + s[i] + k[i])mod 8 = (5 + 7 + 6) mod 8 = 2$
- $j = 2, swap(s[i], s[j]) = swap (7,5)$
- $s – array = [2 3 7 4 6 0 1 5]$

RC4 Cipher

New state array s – array = [2 3 7 4 6 0 1 5]

- STEP 2: Stream Generation: (Number of iteration depends on the size of the Key = (4))

- $i = (i + 1)mod 8$
- $j = (j + s[i])mod 8$
- $swap(s[i], s[j])$
- $t= (s[i] + s[j])mod 8$
- $Keystreambyte=S[t]$
- -----
- $i=0, j=0$
- $i = (i + 1)mod 8=(0+1) mod 8 = 1$
- $j = (j + s[i])mod 8=(0+3)mod 8 = 3$
- $swap(s[i], s[j]) = swap(s[1], s[3]) = swap(3,4)$
- $s – array = [2 4 7 3 6 0 1 5]$
- $t= (s[i] + s[j])mod 8 = (s[1] + s[3])mod 8 = (4 + 3)mod 8=7$
- $k[0]=S[7]=5$
- $i=1, j=3$
- $i = (i + 1)mod 8=(1+1) mod 8 = 2$
- $j = (j + s[i])mod 8=(3+7)mod 8 = 2$
- $swap(s[i], s[j]) = swap(s[2], s[2]) = swap(7,7)$
- $s – array = [2 4 7 3 6 0 1 5]$
- $t= (s[i] + s[j])mod 8 = (s[2] + s[2])mod 8 = (7 + 7)mod 8=6$
- $k[1]=S[6]=1$
- -----
- $i=2, j=2$
- $i = (i + 1)mod 8=(2+1) mod 8 = 3$
- $j = (j + s[i])mod 8=(2+3)mod 8 = 5$
- $swap(s[i], s[j]) = swap(s[3], s[5]) = swap(3,0)$
- $s – array = [2 4 7 0 6 3 1 5]$
- $t= (s[i] + s[j])mod 8 = (s[3] + s[5])mod 8 = (0 + 3)mod 8=3$
- $k[2]=S[3]=0$

RC4 Cipher

- STEP 2: Stream Generation: (Number of iteration depends on the size of the Key = (4)

$s - array = [2\ 4\ 7\ 0\ 6\ 3\ 1\ 5]$

- $i=3, j=5$
- $i = (i + 1)mod\ 8 = (3+1)\ mod\ 8 = 4$
- $j = (j + s[i])mod\ 8 = (5+6)mod\ 8 = 3$
- $swap(s[i], s[j]) = swap(s[4], s[3]) = swap(6,0)$
- $s - array = [2\ 4\ 7\ 6\ 0\ 3\ 1\ 5]$
- $t= (s[i] + s[j])mod\ 8 = (s[4] + s[3])mod\ 8 = (0 + 6)mod\ 8=6$
- $k[3]=S[6]=1$

New key – array = [5 1 0 1]

RC4 Cipher

- STEP 3: Encryption and Decryption

- New key – *array* = [5 1 0 1]
- Plaintext – *array* = [1 2 2 2]
- Now, convert both into binary then XOR them
- Plaintext – *array* in binary = [1 2 2 2] = [001 010 010 010]
- New key – *array* in binary = [5 1 0 1] = [101 001 000 001]

- Ciphertext = Plaintext \oplus New Key

- Ciphertext=
$$\begin{bmatrix} 001 & 010 & 010 & 010 \\ 101 & 001 & 000 & 001 \end{bmatrix} \oplus \begin{bmatrix} 100 & 011 & 010 & 011 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Ciphertext} = 4323$$

RC4 Cipher

- RC4 is used in many applications, including SSL and WEP.
- RC4 is sure to be a major player in the crypto arena for many years to come.
- Stream ciphers were once king of the hill, now relatively rare, in comparison to block ciphers.
- Some have even gone so far as to declare the death of stream ciphers.
- However, today there are an increasing number of significant applications where dedicated stream ciphers are more appropriate than block ciphers.
- Examples of such applications include wireless devices

RC4 Cipher Videos

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lRyzKIVvxNdM>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7b0p-rsizGo>

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