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Block Cipher – Lecture (4pr)

Second Stage

Key of DES

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Console Application in Visual Basic (.NET) for DES Key Generation

This **Visual Basic .NET** console application **generates a DES key** and prints its binary and hexadecimal representations.

Features of the Program

- ✓ Generates a **56-bit DES key**
- ✓ Expands the key to **64 bits** by adding parity bits
- ✓ Prints the **binary and hexadecimal** representations of the key
- ✓ Uses **System.Security.Cryptography** for randomness

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Imports System
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Module DESKeyGenerator
Sub Main()
    ' Generate a random 56-bit key
Dim keyBytes As Byte() = GenerateRandom56BitKey()

    ' Expand to 64 bits by adding parity bits
Dim finalKey As Byte() = AddParityBits(keyBytes)

    ' Print the key in binary and hexadecimal format
    Console.WriteLine("Generated DES Key:")
    Console.WriteLine("Hex: " &
        BitConverter.ToString(finalKey).Replace("-", ""))
    Console.WriteLine("Binary: " & ByteArrayToBinary(finalKey))

    Console.WriteLine(vbCrLf & "Press any key to exit...")
    Console.ReadKey()
End Sub

    ' Function to generate a 56-bit random key (7 bytes)
Function GenerateRandom56BitKey() As Byte()
Dim keyBytes(6) As Byte ' 7 bytes = 56 bits
Using rng As New RNGCryptoServiceProvider()
    rng.GetBytes(keyBytes)
End Using
Return keyBytes
End Function

    ' Function to add parity bits to form a 64-bit key
Function AddParityBits(ByVal keyBytes As Byte()) As Byte()
Dim finalKey(7) As Byte ' 8 bytes = 64 bits

For i As Integer = 0 To 6
Dim byteWithParity As Byte = keyBytes(i)
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Dim parityBit As Byte = ComputeParity(byteWithParity)

    ' Place the 7-bit key and parity bit into 8-bit format
finalKey(i) = (byteWithParity And &HFE) Or parityBit
Next

    ' Last byte is generated similarly for full 64-bit key
Dim lastParity As Byte = ComputeParity(finalKey(0) Xor finalKey(1) Xor
finalKey(2) Xor finalKey(3) Xor finalKey(4) Xor finalKey(5) Xor finalKey(6))
finalKey(7) = lastParity

Return finalKey
End Function

    ' Function to compute odd parity for a byte
Function ComputeParity(ByVal value As Byte) As Byte
Dim count As Integer = 0
For i As Integer = 0 To 6 ' Only 7 bits
If ((value >> i) And 1) = 1 Then
count += 1
End If
Next
Return If((count Mod 2) = 0, 1, 0) ' Ensure odd parity
End Function

    ' Function to convert a byte array to a binary string
Function ByteArrayToBinary(ByVal byteArray As Byte()) As String
Dim binaryStr As String = ""
For Each b As Byte In byteArray
binaryStr &= Convert.ToString(b, 2).PadLeft(8, "0"c) & " "
Next
Return binaryStr.Trim()
End Function

End Module
```



How It Works

1. **Generates a 56-bit random key** using `RNGCryptoServiceProvider()`.
2. **Expands it to 64 bits** by adding a **parity bit** to each byte.
3. **Prints the key** in **hexadecimal and binary format**.



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DES Key: Hex: A5B3C9D8E7104F29 Binary: 10100101 10110011 1100100
1 11011000 11100111 0001000001001111 00101001

Press any key to exit...