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Lecture 05

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Even knows that the city and state are the same!

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There are 33 such cities, 22 of which still exist.
Eve's search for the spy is reduced!

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Randomized shift: Key is a function $f : S \rightarrow S$.

1. To send message (m_1, \dots, m_L) (each m_i is a character)
 - 1.1 Pick random $r_1, \dots, r_L \in S$. For $1 \leq i \leq L$ compute $s_i = f(r_i)$.
 - 1.2 Send $((r_1; m_1 + s_1), \dots, (r_L; m_L + s_L))$
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Example

The key is $f(r) = 2r + 7$. Alice wants to send NY,NY which we interpret as **nyny**.

Need four shifts.

Pick random $r = 4$, so first shift is $2 * 4 + 7 = 15$

Pick random $r = 10$, so second shift is $2 * 10 + 7 = 1$

Pick random $r = 1$, so third shift is $2 * 1 + 7 = 9$

Pick random $r = 17$, so fourth shift is $2 * 17 + 7 = 15$

Send (4;C), (10,Z), (1,W), (17,N)

Eve will not be able to tell that is of the form XYXY.

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Question: Is Randomized Shift crackable? Discuss.

Cracking Randomized Shift

With a long text Rand Shift **is** crackable.

If N is long and Eve sees

$$(r_1; \sigma_1)(r_2; \sigma_2) \cdots (r_N; \sigma_N)$$

Then many r will appear many times. Say r appears 10,000 times.
then Eve knows the shift of lots of letters.

1. From our study of Vig we know that every L th letter has same freq dist as English.
2. It turns out that if you take RANDOM letters, also get same freq dist as English

Hence can find $f(r)$. If do this for many r , have f .

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If pick m then

1) number of ways is n^m

2) number of ways they are all diff is $\sim n(n-1) \cdots (n-m)$

Prob of all diff is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n(n-1) \cdots (n-m)}{n^m} &= \frac{n-1}{n} \times \frac{n-2}{n} \cdots \frac{n-m}{n} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{m}{n}\right) \sim e^{-1/n - 2/n - \cdots - m/n} \\ &= e^{-\frac{1}{n}(1+2+\cdots+m)} \sim e^{-\frac{m(m+1)}{2n}} \sim e^{-\frac{m^2}{2n}} \end{aligned}$$

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Question: Pick numbers from $\{1, \dots, n\}$ rand. Want m so if pick m , prob of getting two same is $\geq p$.

m must satisfy $e^{-\frac{m^2}{2n}} \leq 1 - p$. Try $m = \sqrt{an}$

$$e^{-\frac{m^2}{n}} = e^{-a} < 1 - p$$

Need $a > -\ln(1 - p)$. Example: if $p = .99$ then need $a \geq 5$ suffices.

Note: Need only wait $\sim \sqrt{n}$ for a repeat. This is important for Randomized Shift. Will also use later in course

Upshot: After \sqrt{an} numbers prob have a repeat. a is small.

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Proof of the above: Arvind Srinivasan told me and he is expert on probability.

Upshot: Can get repeats fairly often. Can use this to find $f(0)$, $f(1)$, etc, $f(25)$.

Origin of Randomized Shift

I made it up for this course to make a point about sending the same message twice.

The point I am making is very important! Eve should NOT be able to tell that two messages are the same. This is a real issue in crypto that I expressed in a fake way.

The One-Time Pad

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- ▶ Patented in 1917 by Vernam
 - ▶ Recent historical research indicates it was invented (at least) 35 years earlier

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- ▶ Let $\mathcal{M} = \{0, 1\}^n$
- ▶ *Gen*: choose a uniform key $k \in \{0, 1\}^n$
- ▶ $Enc_k(m) = k \oplus m$
- ▶ $Dec_k(c) = k \oplus c$
- ▶ Correctness:

$$\begin{aligned}Dec_k(Enc_k(m)) &= k \oplus (k \oplus m) \\ &= (k \oplus k) \oplus m \\ &= m\end{aligned}$$

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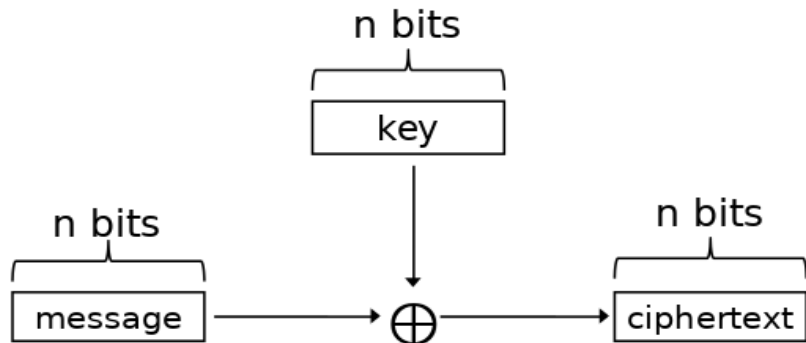
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Caveat: Generating truly random bits is hard.

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Eve Can Tamper with Message

1. Eve knows that Alice is going to send Bob a number that is < 999 which indicates how much money Bob should give Eve.
2. They will send in binary using use one-time-pad.
3. Alice sends the message 100110101001010110.
4. Eve intercepts and tampers with msg before Bob gets it.
5. Can Eve tamper with it in a way that matters? **Discuss**

Yes: Eve Knows the 10th bit of real message is 0 since she gets $999 < 1024$ dollars. Let b be the 10th bit that is send. **Eve Flips 10th Bit in ciphertext to flip 10th bit in numbers**

Original Message: 100110101001010110

Eve Tampers: 100110100001010110

Eve just got 1024 more dollars!

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Goal for now: Make Shift Cipher not forgeable.

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Has No Name (HNN) Shift

HNN shift: Key is a shift s and a function $g : S \rightarrow S$.

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3. **To authenticate** Once Bob has m_1, \dots, m_L he computes $g(m_1), \dots, g(m_L)$ and checks that, for all i , $g(m_i) = d_i$.