

Introduction to Modern Cryptography (0368.3049) – Ex. 1

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1. Below are two paragraphs taken from a famous speech, encrypted using a substitution encryption. Solve the substitution cipher. Explain the techniques you use, and describe all steps of your solution. The ciphertext is also available as a text file in the course's homepage. (The original message language is English.)

xmjsayl ogz yus dasovzmpg mn norkhl hkns uojs bsqmgzoal
 snnsqyb qukhzasg pogzsa odmcy yus byassyb mn yus ympgbukxb
 dsqocbs yusl uojs gm bqummhb ym em ym ma gm rmgs l ym
 sgodhs yusr ym em ym bqummh ma gm xoasgyb oy umrs ym bss
 yuoy yusl em ym bqummh dsqocbs dmyu xoasgyb kn yusas ds
 ypm uojs ym pmav ym vssx yus norkhl ohkjs yukb hsozb ym
 o dasovzmpg kg rmaoh byogzoazb ym og ohoarkge akbs kg
 khhsekykroql ogz ym eampkge jkmhsgqs pukqu sacxyb gmy
 mghl xmhkykqohhl dcy sjsalpusas hkns kg yus ympgbukxb
 kb zogesamcb yusas kb gmy o zol yuoy emsb dl pkyumcy
 bmr sdmzl dskge byoddsz ma obbochysz ogz jkmhsgqs kb
 qoaaksz mcy mn yus ympgbukxb kgym yus pukys hkjkge oasob
 xsmxhs oas onaokz ym pohv ohmgs kg yus byassyb onysa zoav
 umcbdasovkgeb ogz amddsaksb oas kgqasobkge zsbxkys yus
 noqy yuoy yus zsoyu bsgysgqs qog gmp ds krxmbsz nma
 bcqu mnnsqgsb zsoyu bsgysgqsb qoggy qcas yus nsbysakge bmas

zcakge rl hknsykrs k uojs zszkqoysz rl hkns ym yukb byaceehs
 mn yus onakqog xsmxhs k uojs nmceuy oeokgby pukys zmrkgoykmg
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 hkjs ymesyusa kg uoarmgl ogz pkyu sicoh mxmaycgkyksb ky kb og
 kzsoh nma pukqu k umxs ym hkjs nma ogz ym bss asohkbsz dcy rl
 hmaz kn ky gsszb ds ky kb og kzsoh nma pukqu k or xasxasz ym
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2. Let $\mathcal{E} = (Gen, Enc, Dec)$ be an encryption scheme. Prove:
 \mathcal{E} is perfectly secret (a perfect cipher) \iff
 \mathcal{E} is perfectly indistinguishable \iff
 \mathcal{E} is adversarial indistinguishable
3. Let p be a prime. Consider the following encryption scheme. The secret key is a pair (a, b) sampled uniformly at random from $\mathbb{Z}_p^* \times \mathbb{Z}_p$. An encryption of a message $m \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ is defined as:

$$Enc_{a,b}(m) = a \cdot m + b \pmod p$$

- (a) Show that for any $b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, if u is distributed uniformly in \mathbb{Z}_p , then $b+u$ is also distributed uniformly in \mathbb{Z}_p . Show that for any $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$, if u is distributed uniformly in \mathbb{Z}_p , then $a \cdot u$ is also distributed uniformly in \mathbb{Z}_p .
- (b) Show that Enc is perfectly indistinguishable.
- (c) Is it true that the encryptions of any two pairs of messages (m_1, m_2) and (m'_1, m'_2) have the same distribution, over a random choice of a secret key (a, b) , where the same secret key is used to encrypt both m_1, m_2 (or m'_1, m'_2)? Prove your claim.
- (d) What if we additionally assume $m_1 \neq m_2$ and $m'_1 \neq m'_2$? Prove your claim.
- (e) In this section we will implement the aforementioned encryption scheme using SAGE:
- Choose a random prime p in the range 2-10000
 - Sample uniformly at random a key $a \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ and $b \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$
 - Implement a function $Enc(p, key, m)$ which gets a prime p , a key tuple $key = (a, b)$ and a message m and encrypts the message
 - Implement a function $Dec(p, key, c)$ which gets a prime p , a key tuple $key = (a, b)$ and a ciphertext c and decrypts the ciphertext. Note, in order to decrypt, we must find the inverse of a modulo p using the Extended GCD algorithm

Useful SAGE functions:

- `random_prime`
- `randint`
- `xgcd`

Do not forget to submit your code.

4. Prove the following claim, stated in lecture 1, slide 24: For any encryption scheme, the number of ciphertexts must be at least as large as the number of plaintexts.
5. Prove Shannon theorem, stated in lecture 2, slide 6: A necessary condition for a perfect encryption scheme is that the number of keys is at least as large as the number of plaintexts messages (number of plaintexts messages with a-priori non-zero probability).
6. It is clear that if the key k in the one-time pad scheme is the string of ℓ zeroes (i.e., $k = 0^\ell$), then the ciphertext equals the plaintext. That is, encryption does nothing. Due to this, it has been suggested that the one-time pad scheme be modified so that the key space \mathcal{K} includes all strings of length ℓ except for 0^ℓ . Analyze the security of the modified scheme (with a formal proof), in particular, is it still perfectly secret?