

Appendix C: Mathematical Enhancements of the Lewis Echo Theory

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I. SYMBOL VARIATION EXTENSION

Each digit 09 now maps to multiple symbolic equivalents:

- 1 ['1', 'l', 'I', '!', '~', 'a']
- 2 ['2', 'Z', '@']
- 3 ['3', 'E', '#']
- etc.

This simulates user-modified password behavior and demonstrates the echo system's resilience under symbolic entropy.

II. THEORETICAL MODEL UPDATE

Let:

- $S(x)$ = symbol substitution function
- $A(x)$ = ASCII transform function
- $R(x)$ = reverse function
- $V(x, k)$ = Vigenre encryption using $SHA256(x)[:n]$ as key

$H(x) = \text{SHA256 hash}$

$E_n(x) = H(R(V(x, \text{SHA256}(x)[:n])))$

Final formula:

$E_1 = H(R(V(x, \text{SHA256}(x))))$

$E_2 = H(R(V(E_1, \text{SHA256}(E_1))))$

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$E_n = H(R(V(E_{n-1}, \text{SHA256}(E_{n-1}))))$

This structured pipeline reveals deterministic echo behavior even under symbolic substitution.

III. PRACTICAL FINDINGS

- Common passwords using numeric suffixes still converge in echo space
- ASCII-symbol chains retain internal similarity
- Symbol-injected feedback loops behave predictably and repeatably

Conclusion:

The enhancements introduced to the Echo Theory support even broader forms of input entropy, including symbol-injected passwords and obfuscation tactics. The deterministic paths discovered across these extended echo chains further strengthen the theory's value in cryptographic simulation and analysis.

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