

Topic: Traditional Symmetric-Key Ciphers

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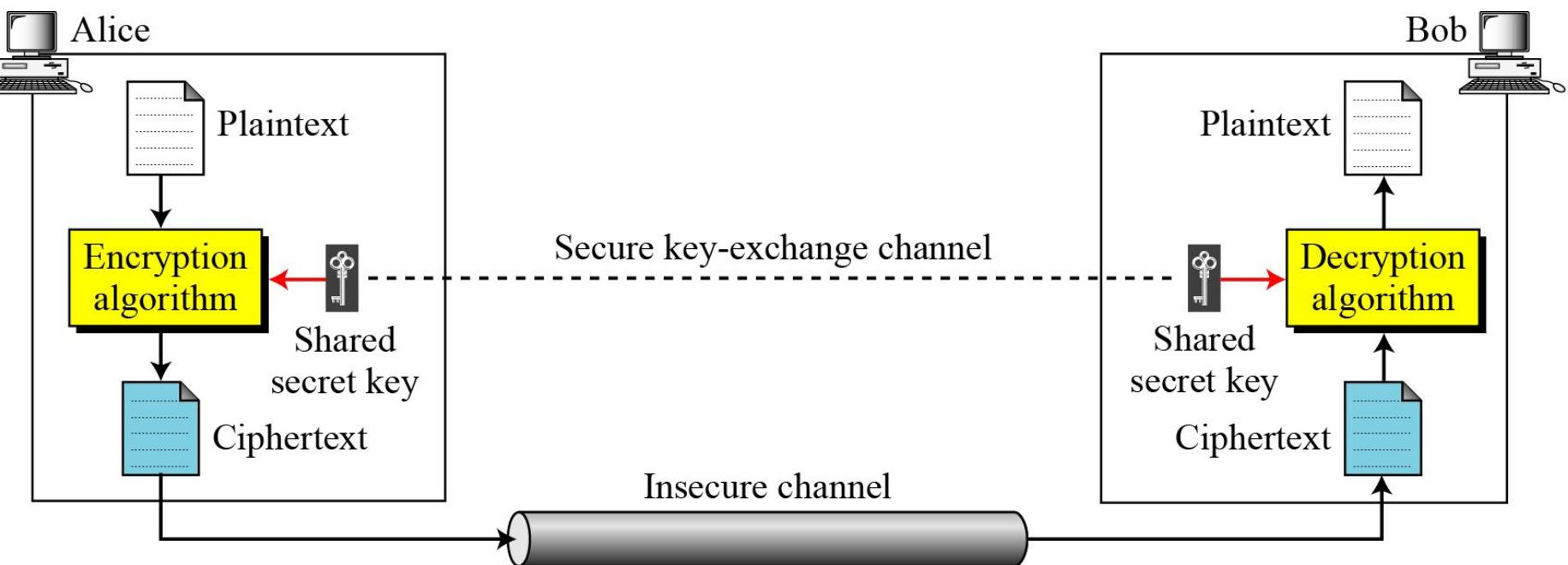
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INTRODUCTION

- ◆ The original message from Alice to Bob is called plaintext; the message that is sent through the channel is called the ciphertext.
- ◆ To create the ciphertext from the plaintext, Alice uses an encryption algorithm and a shared secret key.
- ◆ To create the plaintext from ciphertext, Bob uses a decryption algorithm and the same secret key.

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Figure 3.1 General idea of symmetric-key cipher



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If P is the plaintext, C is the ciphertext, and K is the key,

Encryption: $C = E_k(P)$

Decryption: $P = D_k(C)$

In which, $D_k(E_k(x)) = E_k(D_k(x)) = x$

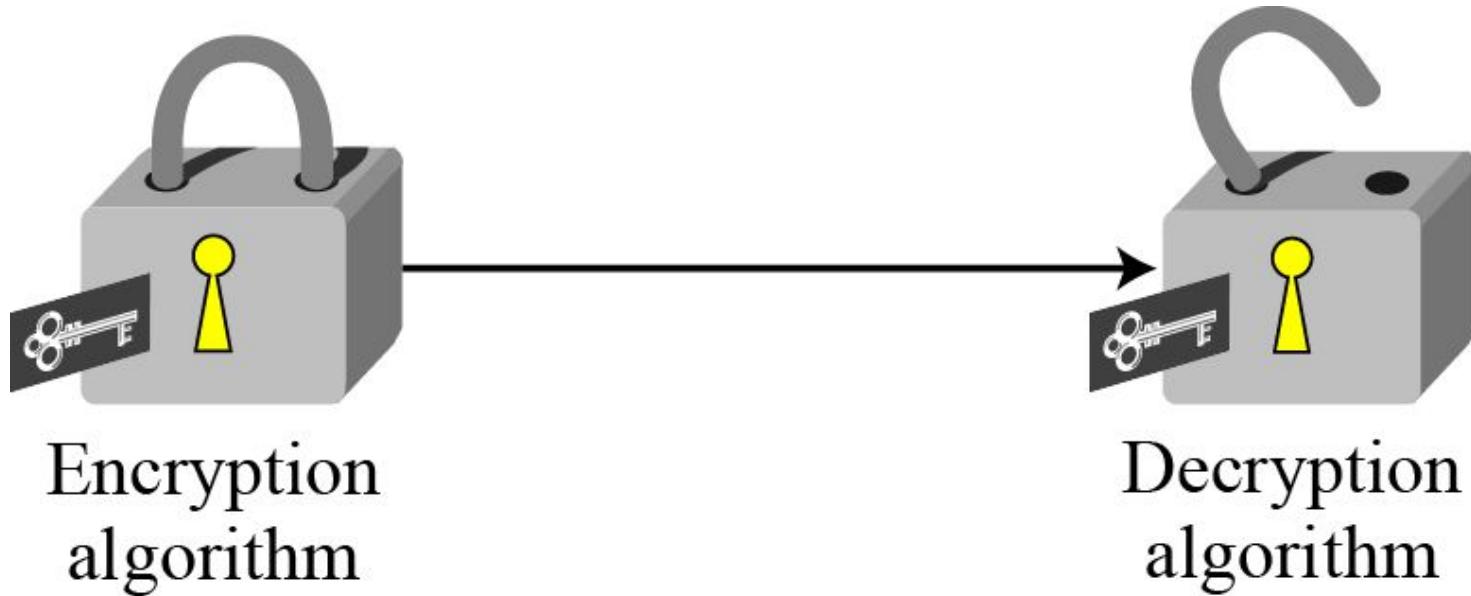
We assume that Bob creates P_1 ; we prove that $P_1 = P$

Alice: $C = E_k(P)$

Bob: $P_1 = D_k(C) = D_k(E_k(P)) = P$

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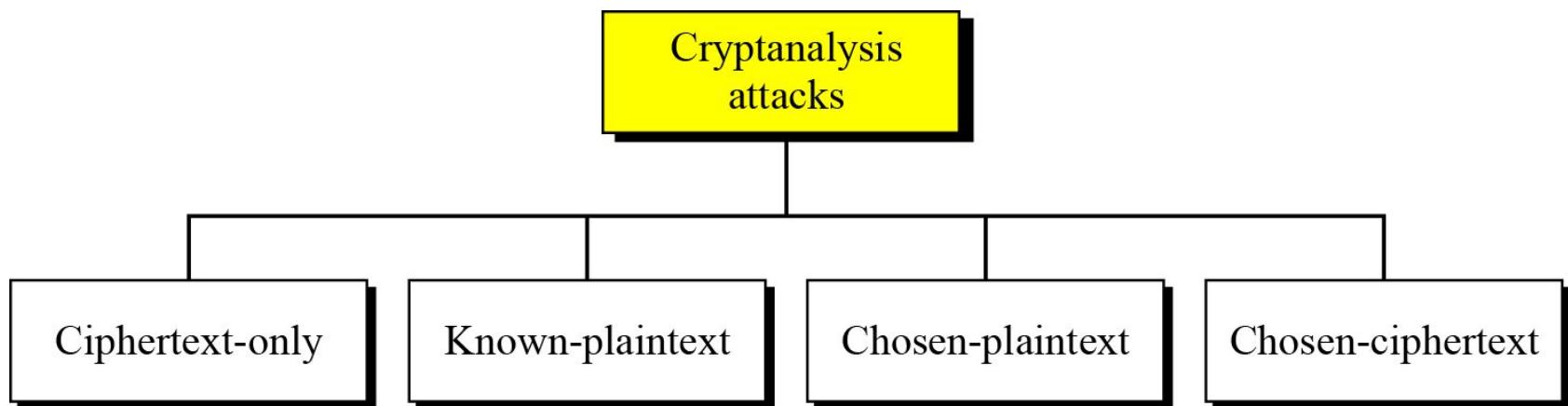
Figure 3.2 Locking and unlocking with the same key



Cryptanalysis

As cryptography is the science and art of creating secret codes, **cryptanalysis** is the science and art of breaking those codes.

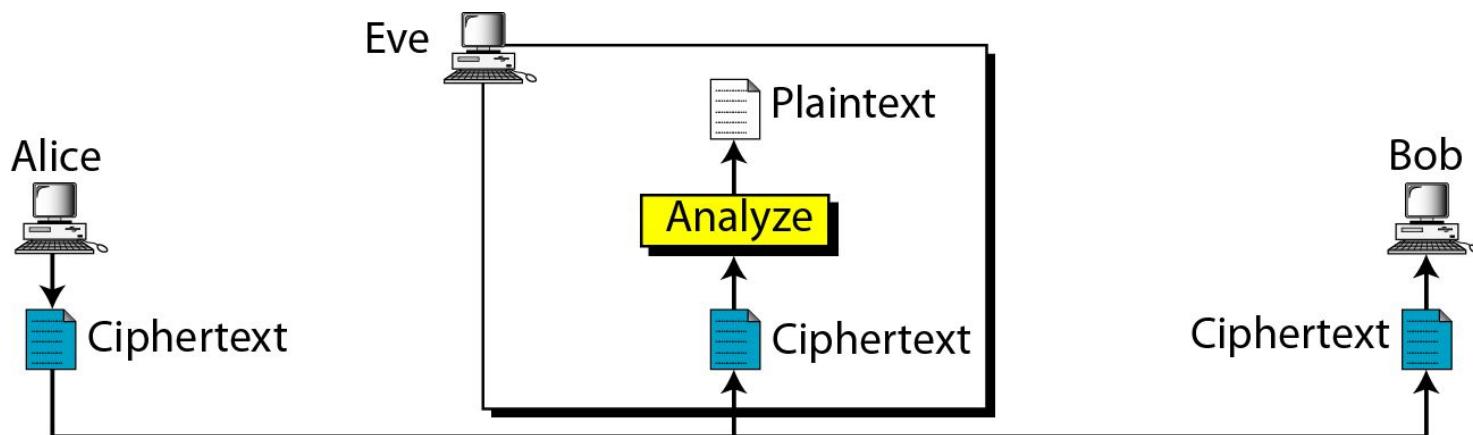
Figure 3.3 *Cryptanalysis attacks*



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Ciphertext-Only Attack

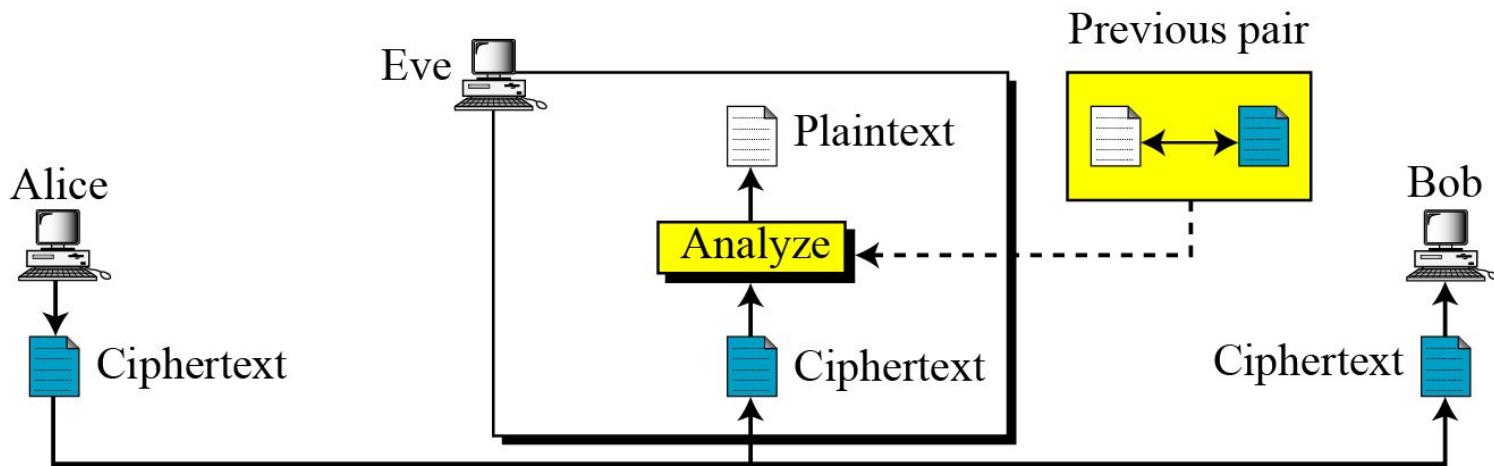
Figure 3.4 *Ciphertext-only attack*



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Known-Plaintext Attack

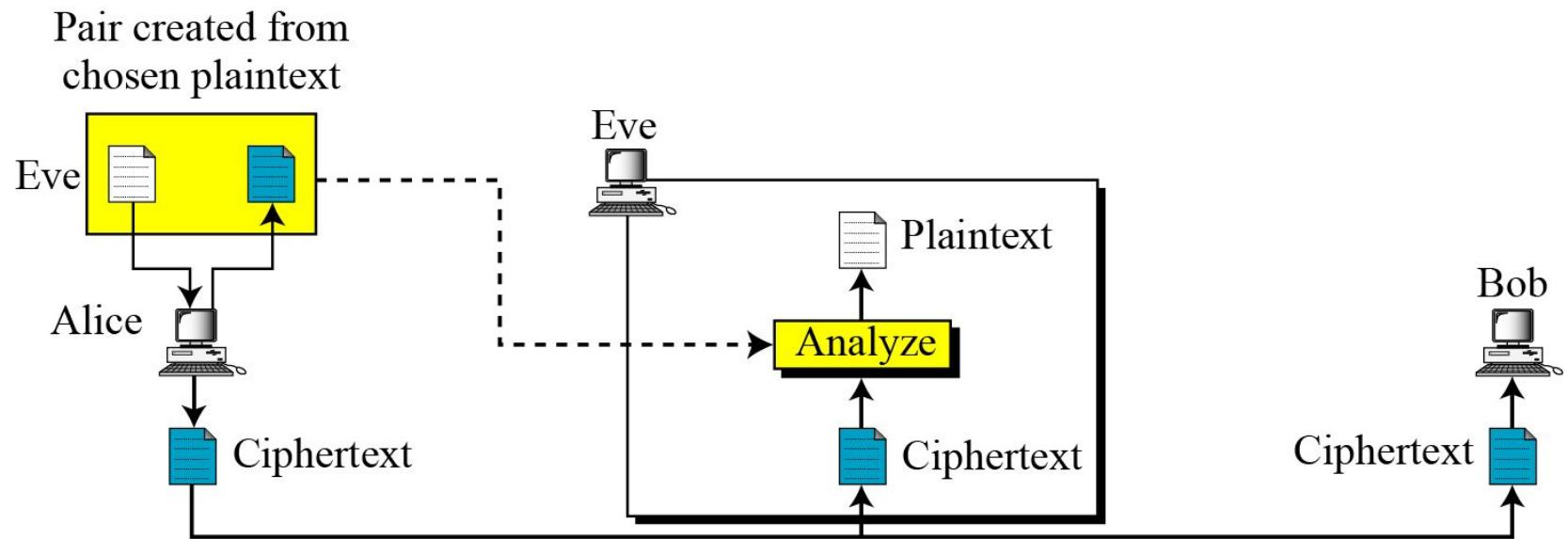
Figure 3.5 *Known-plaintext attack*



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Chosen-Plaintext Attack

Figure 3.6 Chosen-plaintext attack

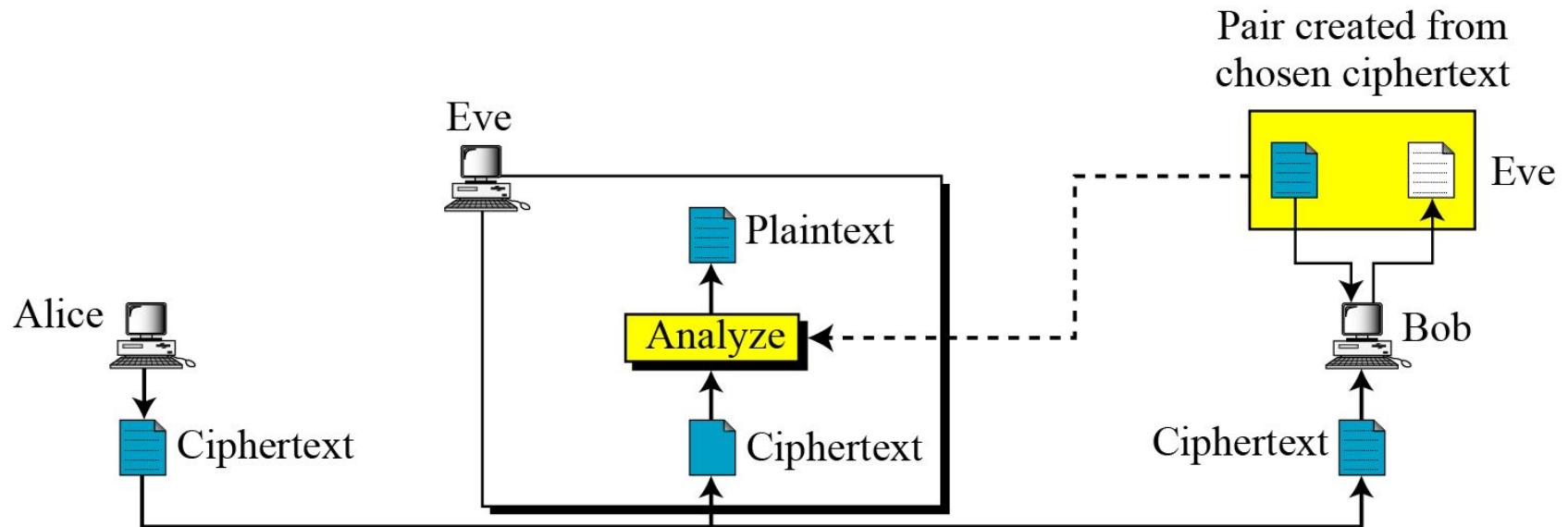


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Chosen-Ciphertext

Attack

Figure 3.7 Chosen-ciphertext attack



SUBSTITUTION CIPHERS

A substitution cipher replaces one symbol with another. Substitution ciphers can be categorized as either monoalphabetic ciphers or polyalphabetic ciphers.

Note

A substitution cipher replaces one symbol with another.

- ❖ **Monoalphabetic Ciphers**
- ❖ **Polyalphabetic Ciphers**

Monoalphabetic Ciphers

Note

In monoalphabetic substitution, the relationship between a symbol in the plaintext to a symbol in the ciphertext is always one-to-one.

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Example 3.1

The following shows a plaintext and its corresponding ciphertext. The cipher is probably monoalphabetic because both *l*'s (els) are encrypted as *O*'s.

Plaintext: hello

Ciphertext: KHOOR

Example 3.2

The following shows a plaintext and its corresponding ciphertext. The cipher is not monoalphabetic because each *l* (el) is encrypted by a different character.

Plaintext: hello

Ciphertext: KHOOR

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Additive Cipher

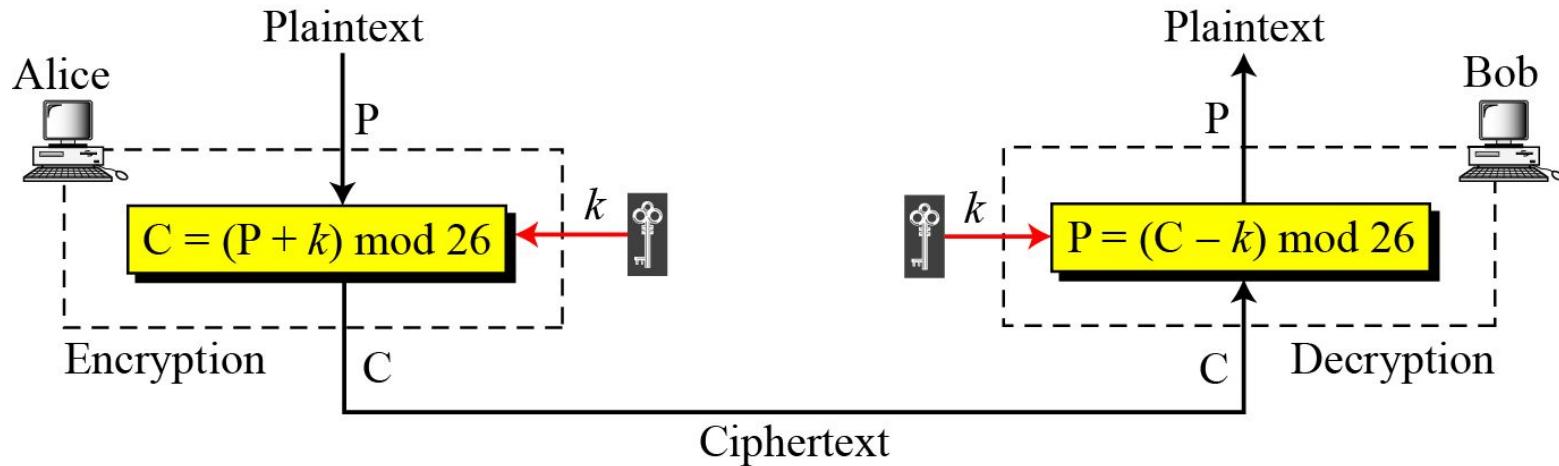
The simplest monoalphabetic cipher is the additive cipher. This cipher is sometimes called a **shift cipher** and sometimes a **Caesar cipher**, but the term additive cipher better reveals its mathematical nature.

Figure 3.8 *Plaintext and ciphertext in Z_{26}*

Plaintext →	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z
Ciphertext →	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
Value →	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25

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Figure 3.9 Additive cipher



Note

When the cipher is additive, the plaintext, ciphertext, and key are integers in \mathbb{Z}_{26} .

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Example 3.3

Use the additive cipher with key = 15 to encrypt the message “hello”.

Solution

We apply the encryption algorithm to the plaintext, character by character:

Plaintext: h → 07

Encryption: $(07 + 15) \text{ mod } 26$

Ciphertext: 22 → W

Plaintext: e → 04

Encryption: $(04 + 15) \text{ mod } 26$

Ciphertext: 19 → T

Plaintext: l → 11

Encryption: $(11 + 15) \text{ mod } 26$

Ciphertext: 00 → A

Plaintext: l → 11

Encryption: $(11 + 15) \text{ mod } 26$

Ciphertext: 00 → A

Plaintext: o → 14

Encryption: $(14 + 15) \text{ mod } 26$

Ciphertext: 03 → D

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Example 3.4

Use the additive cipher with key = 15 to decrypt the message “WTAAD”.

Solution

We apply the decryption algorithm to the plaintext character by character:

Ciphertext: W → 22

Ciphertext: T → 19

Ciphertext: A → 00

Ciphertext: A → 00

Ciphertext: D → 03

Decryption: $(22 - 15) \bmod 26$

Decryption: $(19 - 15) \bmod 26$

Decryption: $(00 - 15) \bmod 26$

Decryption: $(00 - 15) \bmod 26$

Decryption: $(03 - 15) \bmod 26$

Plaintext: 07 → h

Plaintext: 04 → e

Plaintext: 11 → l

Plaintext: 11 → l

Plaintext: 14 → o

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Shift Cipher and Caesar Cipher

Historically, additive ciphers are called **shift ciphers**. Julius Caesar used an additive cipher to communicate with his officers. For this reason, additive ciphers are sometimes referred to as the Caesar cipher. Caesar used a key of 3 for his communications.

Note

Additive ciphers are sometimes referred to as shift ciphers or Caesar cipher.

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Example 3.5

Eve has intercepted the ciphertext “UVACLYFZLJBYL”. Show how she can use a brute-force attack to break the cipher.

Solution

Eve tries keys from 1 to 7. With a key of 7, the plaintext is “not very secure”, which makes sense.

Ciphertext: UVACLYFZLJBYL

K = 1	→	Plaintext: tuzbkxeykiaxk
K = 2	→	Plaintext: styajwdxjhzwj
K = 3	→	Plaintext: rsxzivcwigyvi
K = 4	→	Plaintext: qrwyhubvhfxuh
K = 5	→	Plaintext: pqvxgtaugewtg
K = 6	→	Plaintext: opuwfsztfdvsf
K = 7	→	Plaintext: notverysecure

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Example 3.6

Eve has intercepted the following ciphertext. Using a statistical attack, find the plaintext.

XLILSYWIMWRSAJSVWEPIJSVJSYVQMPPMSRHSPPEVWMXMWASVX-LQSVILY-
VVCFIJSVIXLIWIPPIVIGIMZIWQSVISJJIVW

Solution

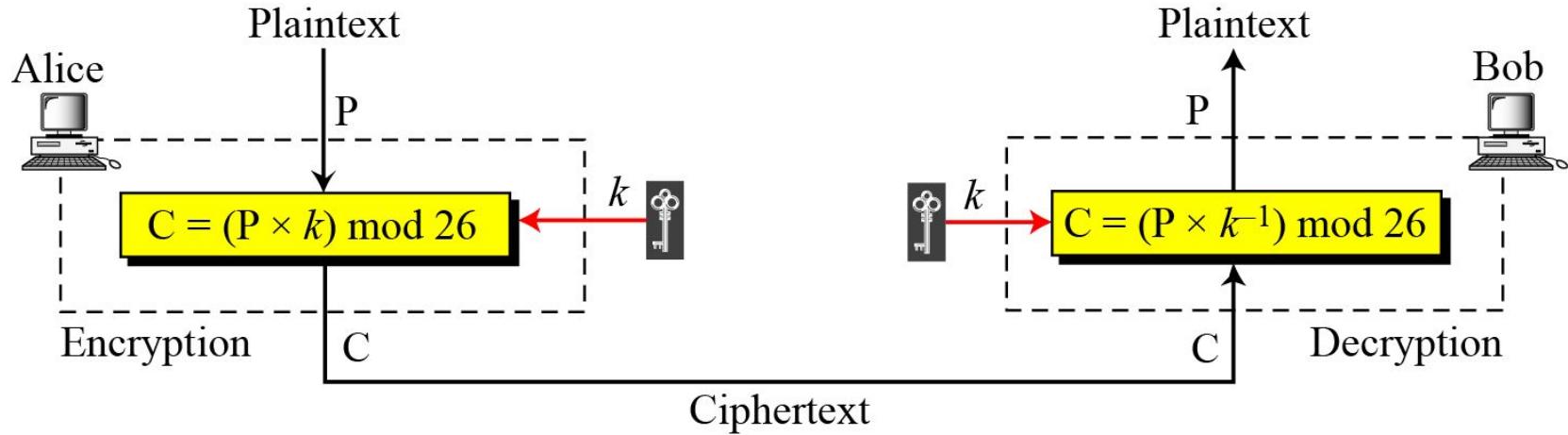
When Eve tabulates the frequency of letters in this ciphertext, she gets: I =14, V =13, S =12, and so on. The most common character is I with 14 occurrences. This means key = 4.

the house is now for sale for four million dollars it is worth more hurry before the seller receives more offers

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Multiplicative Ciphers

Figure 3.10 Multiplicative cipher



Note

In a multiplicative cipher, the plaintext and ciphertext are integers in Z_{26} ; the key is an integer in Z_{26}^* .

Example 3.7

What is the key domain for any multiplicative cipher?

Solution

The key needs to be in Z_{26}^* . This set has only 12 members: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25.

Example 3.8

We use a multiplicative cipher to encrypt the message “hello” with a key of 7. The ciphertext is “XCZZU”.

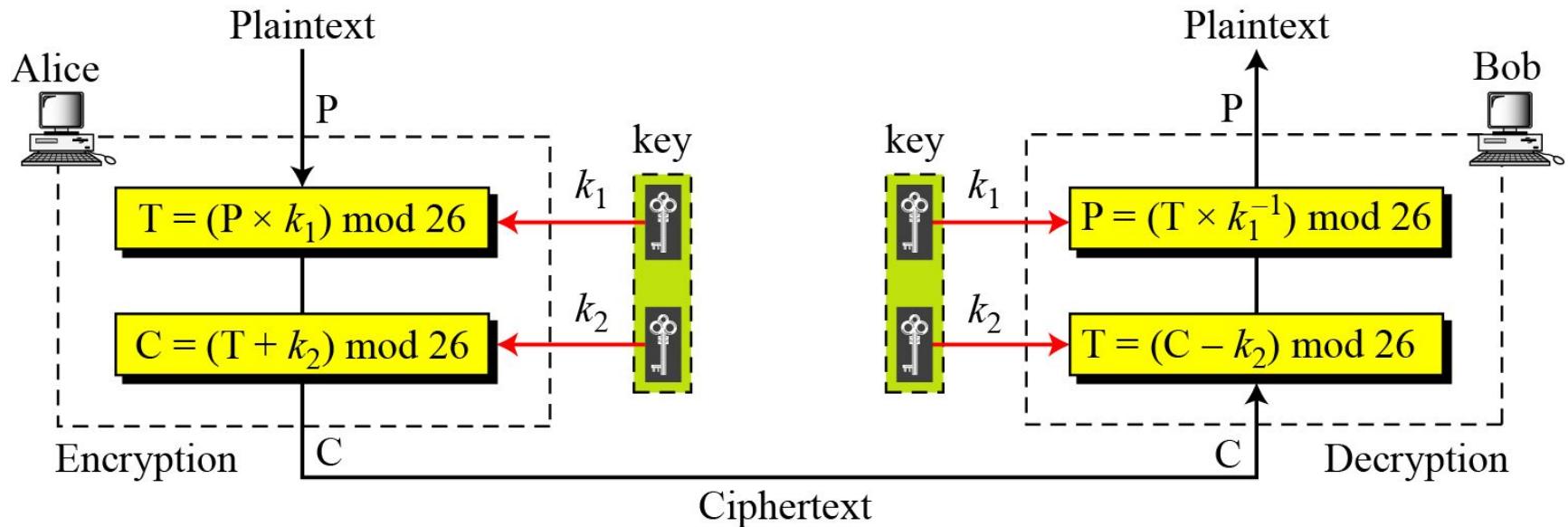
Plaintext: h → 07
Plaintext: e → 04
Plaintext: l → 11
Plaintext: l → 11
Plaintext: o → 14

Encryption: $(07 \times 07) \bmod 26$
Encryption: $(04 \times 07) \bmod 26$
Encryption: $(11 \times 07) \bmod 26$
Encryption: $(11 \times 07) \bmod 26$
Encryption: $(14 \times 07) \bmod 26$

ciphertext: 23 → X
ciphertext: 02 → C
ciphertext: 25 → Z
ciphertext: 25 → Z
ciphertext: 20 → U

Affine Ciphers

Figure 3.11 *Affine cipher*



$$C = (P \times k_1 + k_2) \bmod 26$$

$$P = ((C - k_2) \times k_1^{-1}) \bmod 26$$

where k_1^{-1} is the multiplicative inverse of k_1 and $-k_2$ is the additive inverse of k_2

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Example 3.09

The affine cipher uses a pair of keys in which the first key is from Z_{26}^* and the second is from Z_{26} . The size of the key domain is $26 \times 12 = 312$.

Example 3.10

Use an affine cipher to encrypt the message “hello” with the key pair (7, 2).

P: h → 07	Encryption: $(07 \times 7 + 2) \text{ mod } 26$	C: 25 → Z
P: e → 04	Encryption: $(04 \times 7 + 2) \text{ mod } 26$	C: 04 → E
P: l → 11	Encryption: $(11 \times 7 + 2) \text{ mod } 26$	C: 01 → B
P: l → 11	Encryption: $(11 \times 7 + 2) \text{ mod } 26$	C: 01 → B
P: o → 14	Encryption: $(14 \times 7 + 2) \text{ mod } 26$	C: 22 → W

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Example 3.11

Use the affine cipher to decrypt the message “ZEBBW” with the key pair (7, 2) in modulus 26.

Solution

$$C: Z \rightarrow 25$$

$$\text{Decryption: } ((25 - 2) \times 7^{-1}) \bmod 26$$

$$P: 07 \rightarrow h$$

$$C: E \rightarrow 04$$

$$\text{Decryption: } ((04 - 2) \times 7^{-1}) \bmod 26$$

$$P: 04 \rightarrow e$$

$$C: B \rightarrow 01$$

$$\text{Decryption: } ((01 - 2) \times 7^{-1}) \bmod 26$$

$$P: 11 \rightarrow l$$

$$C: B \rightarrow 01$$

$$\text{Decryption: } ((01 - 2) \times 7^{-1}) \bmod 26$$

$$P: 11 \rightarrow l$$

$$C: W \rightarrow 22$$

$$\text{Decryption: } ((22 - 2) \times 7^{-1}) \bmod 26$$

$$P: 14 \rightarrow o$$

Example 3.12

The additive cipher is a special case of an affine cipher in which $k_1 = 1$. The multiplicative cipher is a special case of affine cipher in which $k_2 = 0$.

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Monoalphabetic Substitution Cipher

Because additive, multiplicative, and affine ciphers have small key domains, they are very vulnerable to brute-force attack.

A better solution is to create a mapping between each plaintext character and the corresponding ciphertext character. Alice and Bob can agree on a table showing the mapping for each character.

Figure 3.12 *An example key for monoalphabetic substitution cipher*

Plaintext →	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z
Ciphertext →	N	O	A	T	R	B	E	C	F	U	X	D	Q	G	Y	L	K	H	V	I	J	M	P	Z	S	W

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Example 3.13

We can use the key in Figure 3.12 to encrypt the message

this message is easy to encrypt but hard to find the key

The ciphertext is

ICFVQRVVNEFVRNVSIYRGAHSLIOJICNHTIYBFGTICRXRS

Polyalphabetic Ciphers

In polyalphabetic substitution, each occurrence of a character may have a different substitute. The relationship between a character in the plaintext to a character in the ciphertext is one-to-many.

Autokey Cipher

$$P = P_1 P_2 P_3 \dots$$

$$C = C_1 C_2 C_3 \dots$$

$$k = (k_1, P_1, P_2, \dots)$$

Encryption: $C_i = (P_i + k_i) \bmod 26$

Decryption: $P_i = (C_i - k_i) \bmod 26$

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Example 3.14

Assume that Alice and Bob agreed to use an autokey cipher with initial key value $k_1 = 12$. Now Alice wants to send Bob the message “Attack is today”. Enciphering is done character by character.

Plaintext:	a	t	t	a	c	k	i	s	t	o	d	a	y
P's Values:	00	19	19	00	02	10	08	18	19	14	03	00	24
Key stream:	12	00	19	19	00	02	10	08	18	19	14	03	00
C's Values:	12	19	12	19	02	12	18	00	11	7	17	03	24
Ciphertext:	M	T	M	T	C	M	S	A	L	H	R	D	Y

Playfair Cipher

The Playfair Cipher Encryption Algorithm:

Generate the key Square(5×5):

- The key square is a 5×5 grid of alphabets that acts as the key for encrypting the plaintext. Each of the 25 alphabets must be unique and one letter of the alphabet (usually J) is omitted from the table (as the table can hold only 25 alphabets). If the plaintext contains J, then it is replaced by I.
- The initial alphabets in the key square are the unique alphabets of the key in the order in which they appear followed by the remaining letters of the alphabet in order.

Algorithm to encrypt the plain text:

The plaintext is split into pairs of two letters (digraphs). If there is an odd number of letters, a

Playfair Cipher

The Playfair Cipher Encryption Algorithm:

Pair cannot be made with same letter. Break the letter in single and add a bogus letter to the previous letter.

Plain Text: “hello”

After Split: ‘he’ ‘lx’ ‘lo’

Here ‘x’ is the bogus letter.

2. If the letter is standing alone in the process of pairing, then add an extra bogus letter with the alone letter

Plain Text: “helloe”

AfterSplit: ‘he’ ‘lx’ ‘lo’ ‘ez’

Here ‘z’ is the bogus letter.

Playfair Cipher

The Playfair Cipher Encryption Algorithm:

Rules for Encryption:

If both the letters are in the same column: Take the letter below each one (going back to the top if at the bottom).

If both the letters are in the same row: Take the letter to the right of each one (going back to the leftmost if at the rightmost position).

M	O	N	A	R
C	H	Y	B	D
E	F	G	I	K
L	P	Q	S	T
U	V	W	X	Z

M	O	N	A	R
C	H	Y	B	D
E	F	G	I	K
L	P	Q	S	T
U	V	W	X	Z

Playfair Cipher

The Playfair Cipher Encryption Algorithm:

Rules for Encryption:

If neither of the above rules is true : Form a rectangle with the two letters and

take the letters on the horizontal opposite corner of the rectangle.

M	O	N	A	R
C	H	Y	B	D
E	F	G	I	K
L	P	Q	S	T
U	V	W	X	Z

Playfair Cipher

An example of a secret key in the Playfair cipher

Secret Key =

L	G	D	B	A
Q	M	H	E	C
U	R	N	I/J	F
X	V	S	O	K
Z	Y	W	T	P

Example 3.15

Let us encrypt the plaintext “hello” using the key in Figure 3.13.

he → EC

Plaintext: hello

lx → QZ

Ciphertext: ECQZBX

lo → BX

Playfair Cipher

Key: monarchy

Plaintext: instruments

M	O	N	A	R
C	H	Y	B	D
E	F	G	I	K
L	P	Q	S	T
U	V	W	X	Z

M	O	N	A	R
C	H	Y	B	D
E	F	G	I	K
L	P	Q	S	T
U	V	W	X	Z

M	O	N	A	R
C	H	Y	B	D
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Vigenere Cipher

$$P = P_1 P_2 P_3 \dots$$

$$C = C_1 C_2 C_3 \dots$$

$$K = [(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_m), (k_1, k_2, \dots, k_m), \dots]$$

$$\text{Encryption: } C_i = P_i + k_i$$

$$\text{Decryption: } P_i = C_i - k_i$$

Example 3.16

We can encrypt the message “She is listening” using the 6-character keyword “PASCAL”.

Plaintext:	s	h	e	i	s	l	i	s	t	e	n	i	n	g
P's values:	18	07	04	08	18	11	08	18	19	04	13	08	13	06
Key stream:	15	00	18	02	00	11	15	00	18	02	00	11	15	00
C's values:	07	07	22	10	18	22	23	18	11	6	13	19	02	06
Ciphertext:	H	H	W	K	S	W	X	S	L	G	N	T	C	G

Let us see how we can encrypt the message “She is listening” using the 6-character keyword “PASCAL”. The initial key stream is (15, 0, 18, 2, 0, 11). The key stream is the repetition of this initial key stream (as many times as needed).

Plaintext:	s	h	e	i	s	l	i	s	t	e	n	i	n	g
P's values:	18	07	04	08	18	11	08	18	19	04	13	08	13	06
Key stream:	<i>15</i>	<i>00</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>02</i>	<i>00</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>00</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>02</i>	<i>00</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>00</i>
C's values:	07	07	22	10	18	22	23	18	11	6	13	19	02	06
Ciphertext:	H	H	W	K	S	W	X	S	L	G	N	T	C	G

TRANSPOSITION CIPHERS

A transposition cipher does not substitute one symbol for another, instead it changes the location of the symbols.

Note

A transposition cipher reorders symbols.

Topics discussed in this section:

Keyless Transposition Ciphers

Keyed Transposition Ciphers

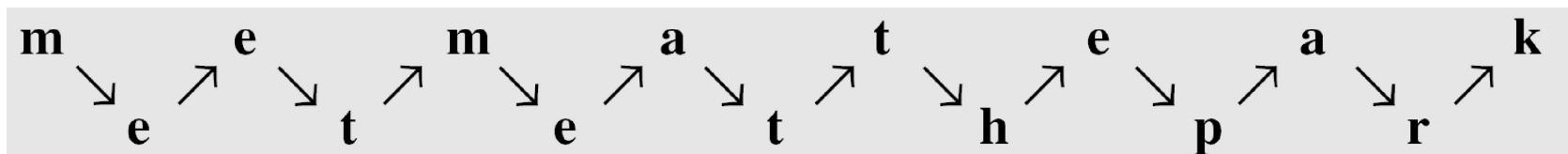
Combining Two Approaches

Keyless Transposition Ciphers

Simple transposition ciphers, which were used in the past, are keyless.

Example 3.22

A good example of a keyless cipher using the first method is the **rail fence cipher**. The ciphertext is created reading the pattern row by row. For example, to send the message “Meet me at the park” to Bob, Alice writes



She then creates the ciphertext “**MEMATEAKETETHPR**”.

Alice and Bob can agree on the number of columns and use the second method. Alice writes the same plaintext, row by row, in a table of four columns.

m	e	e	t
m	e	a	t
t	h	e	p
a	r	k	

She then creates the ciphertext “MMTAEEHREAEKTTP”.

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Alice needs to send the message “Enemy attacks tonight” to Bob..

e n e m y a t t a c k s o n i g h t z

The key used for encryption and decryption is a permutation key, which shows how the character are permuted.

Encryption ↓

3	1	4	5	2
1	2	3	4	5

↑ Decryption

The permutation yields

E E M Y N T A A C T T K O N S H I T Z G

STREAM AND BLOCK CIPHERS

The literature divides the symmetric ciphers into two broad categories: stream ciphers and block ciphers. Although the definitions are normally applied to modern ciphers, this categorization also applies to traditional ciphers.

Topics discussed in this section:

- Stream Ciphers**
- Block Ciphers**
- Combination**

Stream Ciphers

Call the plaintext stream P, the ciphertext stream C, and the key stream K.

$$P = P_1 P_2 P_3, \dots$$

$$C = C_1 C_2 C_3, \dots$$

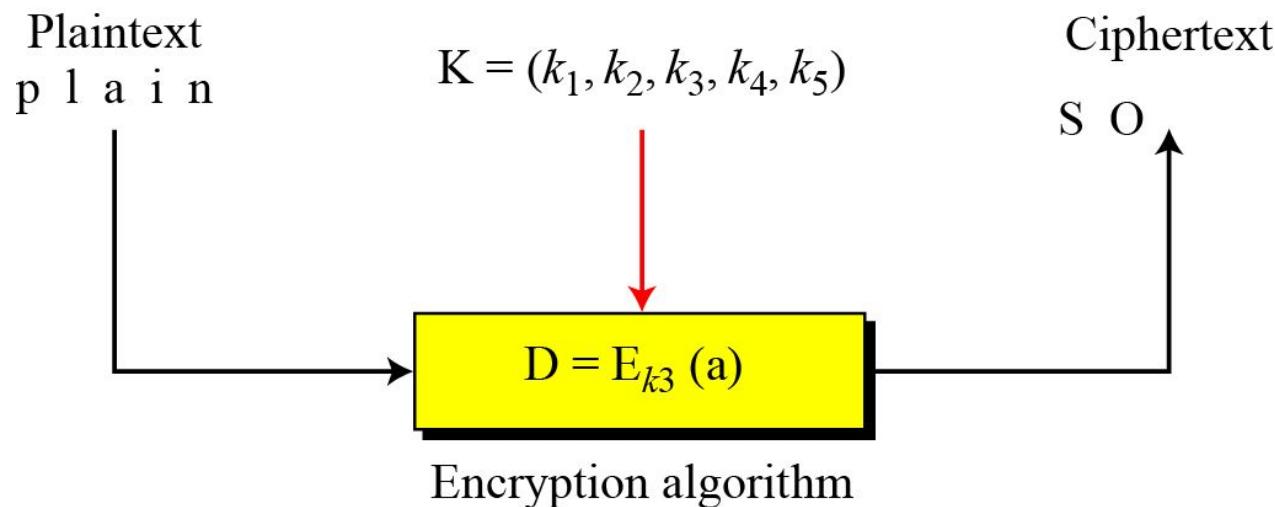
$$K = (k_1, k_2, k_3, \dots)$$

$$C_1 = E_{k1}(P_1)$$

$$C_2 = E_{k2}(P_2)$$

$$C_3 = E_{k3}(P_3) \dots$$

Figure 3.26 Stream cipher



Stream Ciphers

In a block cipher, a group of plaintext symbols of size m ($m > 1$) are encrypted together creating a group of ciphertext of the same size. A single key is used to encrypt the whole block even if the key is made of multiple values. Figure 3.27 shows the concept of a block cipher.

Figure 3.27 Block cipher

