TK2100: Informasjonssikkerhet Lesson 02: Cryptography

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Goals

- Understand the basics of cryptography and crypto analysis
- Knowledge of the most common crypto algorithms, and when/where they should be used
- Crypto is heavily based on MATH... but we will not dig into too many details...

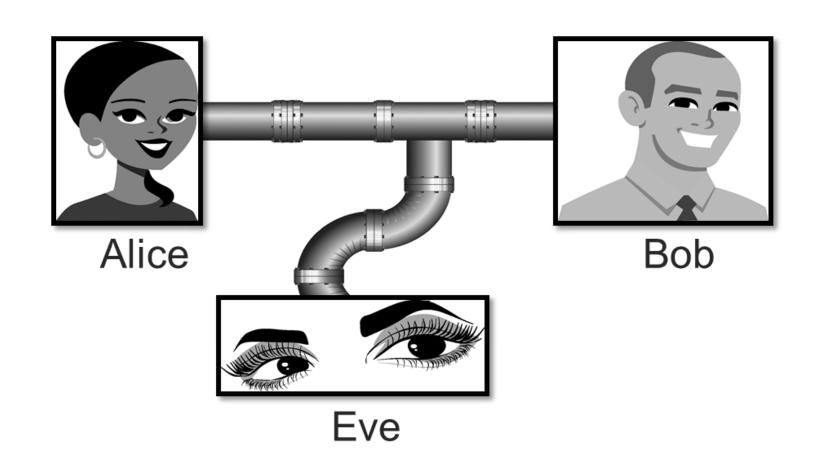
Cryptography

- Practice and study of technique for secure communication, even in the presence of adversary listeners
- Why? Communication from you computer to a server (eg, on Internet) goes through many routers in different countries
 - Anyone having access to these routers can read your messages
- You would like your Internet Banking and access to email to be protected...

13 machines from Fjerdingen to google.com

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  cur@DESKTOP-IR7IFID MINGW64 /e/WORK/code/teaching
  tracert google.com
Tracing route to google.com [216.58.209.142]
over a maximum of 30 hops:
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Trace complete.
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- Even if Eve can intercept messages between Alice and Bob, she should not be able to understand them
- Note: Alice, Bob and Eve are typical names in security examples



Encrypt/Decrypt

- Scenario: Alice wants to send message T to Bob
- Alice encrypt T using an encryption algorithm e() with a secret S, ie e(T,S)=C, where the resulting C is called ciphertext
- Bob receives encrypted C, and decrypt it using d() and secret S', ie d(C,S')=T
 - Note: we will see some cases when S != S'

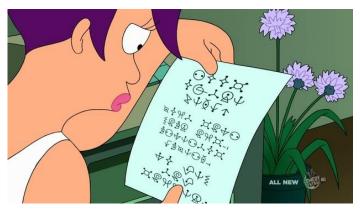


Why is it secure???

- Even if Eve can intercept the ciphertext C, and knows all the details of the algorithms e() and d(), she should NOT be able to decrypt the original message
- Ie, only by knowing S' one should derive d(C,S')=T
 - S' can be just a small text, eg like a password
- But how can we write algorithms e() and d() to ensure it?
 - e() and d() are usually called ciphers
- During history, many different algorithms proposed
- Problem: what seems secure today can get broken tomorrow...

Substitution Cipher

Futurama Alien Language



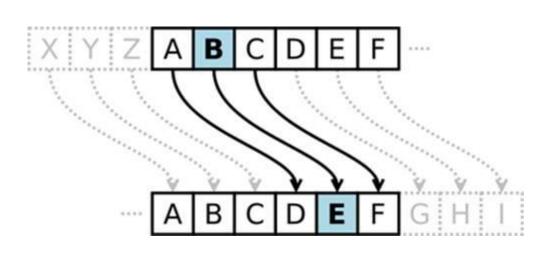


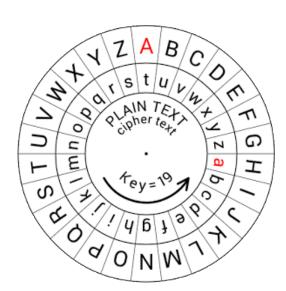


- Each symbol is actually representing a letter
- 1-to-1 mapping from letter to Alien symbol
- Text on the right says: "WATCH FUTURAMA THURSDAYS AT 10"

Ciphers during Roman Empire

- Communications to generals in the army should be kept secret
- Even if messages get caught by the enemy
- Do not need to invent special symbols, but just mapping from a letter to another







Mapping in Code

- Before digging into it, need to recall how characters are stored in a computer
- As for any data, a character is a 0/1 binary sequence
- A character can be seen as a *number*
- Different mappings from numbers to characters to display, called charsets
- Different charsets, but we II just focus here on ASCII
 - You will see more on this next semester, eg in Algorithms course, like UTF-8

Decimal - Binary - Octal - Hex - ASCII Conversion Chart

Decimal	Binary	Octal	Hex	ASCII	Decimal	Binary	Octal	Hex	ASCII	Decimal	Binary	Octal	Hex	ASCII	Decimal	Binary	Octal	Hex	ASCII
0	00000000	000	00	NUL	32	00100000	040	20	SP	64	01000000	100	40	@	96	01100000	140	60	
1	00000001	001	01	SOH	33	00100001	041	21	!	65	01000001	101	41	Α	97	01100001	141	61	а
2	00000010	002	02	STX	34	00100010	042	22	u u	66	01000010	102	42	В	98	01100010	142	62	b
3	00000011	003	03	ETX	35	00100011	043	23	#	67	01000011	103	43	С	99	01100011	143	63	С
4	00000100	004	04	EOT	36	00100100	044	24	\$	68	01000100	104	44	D	100	01100100	144	64	d
5	00000101	005	05	ENQ	37	00100101	045	25	%	69	01000101	105	45	E	101	01100101	145	65	е
6	00000110	006	06	ACK	38	00100110	046	26	&	70	01000110	106	46	F	102	01100110	146	66	f
7	00000111	007	07	BEL	39	00100111	047	27		71	01000111	107	47	G	103	01100111	147	67	g
8	00001000	010	80	BS	40	00101000	050	28	(72	01001000	110	48	Н	104	01101000	150	68	h
9	00001001	011	09	HT	41	00101001	051	29)	73	01001001	111	49	1	105	01101001	151	69	İ
10	00001010	012	0A	LF	42	00101010	052	2A	*	74	01001010	112	4A	J	106	01101010	152	6A	j
11	00001011	013	0B	VT	43	00101011	053	2B	+	75	01001011	113	4B	K	107	01101011	153	6B	k
12	00001100	014	0C	FF	44	00101100	054	2C	,	76	01001100	114	4C	L	108	01101100	154	6C	1
13	00001101	015	0D	CR	45	00101101	055	2D	-	77	01001101	115	4D	M	109	01101101	155	6D	m
14	00001110	016	0E	SO	46	00101110	056	2E		78	01001110	116	4E	N	110	01101110	156	6E	n
15	00001111	017	0F	SI	47	00101111	057	2F	1	79	01001111	117	4F	0	111	01101111	157	6F	0
16	00010000	020	10	DLE	48	00110000	060	30	0	80	01010000	120	50	P	112	01110000	160	70	p
17	00010001	021	11	DC1	49	00110001	061	31	1	81	01010001	121	51	Q	113	01110001	161	71	q
18	00010010	022	12	DC2	50	00110010	062	32	2	82	01010010	122	52	R	114	01110010	162	72	r
19	00010011	023	13	DC3	51	00110011	063	33	3	83	01010011	123	53	S	115	01110011	163	73	S
20	00010100	024	14	DC4	52	00110100	064	34	4	84	01010100	124	54	T	116	01110100	164	74	t
21	00010101	025	15	NAK	53	00110101	065	35	5	85	01010101	125	55	U	117	01110101	165	75	u
22	00010110	026	16	SYN	54	00110110	066	36	6	86	01010110	126	56	V	118	01110110	166	76	V
23	00010111	027	17	ETB	55	00110111	067	37	7	87	01010111	127	57	W	119	01110111	167	77	W
24	00011000	030	18	CAN	56	00111000	070	38	8	88	01011000	130	58	X	120	01111000	170	78	X
25	00011001	031	19	EM	57	00111001	071	39	9	89	01011001	131	59	Υ	121	01111001	171	79	У
26	00011010	032	1A	SUB	58	00111010	072	3A	:	90	01011010	132	5A	Z	122	01111010	172	7A	Z
27	00011011	033	1B	ESC	59	00111011	073	3B	;	91	01011011	133	5B	[123	01111011	173	7B	{
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29	00011101	035	1D	GS	61	00111101	075	3D	=	93	01011101	135	5D	1	125	01111101	175	7D	}
30	00011110	036	1E	RS	62	00111110	076	3E	>	94	01011110	136	5E	٨	126	01111110	176	7E	~
31	00011111	037	1F	US	63	00111111	077	3F	?	95	01011111	137	5F	_	127	01111111	177	7F	DEL

ASCII 1967

- 7 bits per char, so 2^7=128 chars
- Latin letters and symbols (no Norwegian øæåØÆÅ)
 - for Norwegian you need other encodings like UTF-8...
- 0-31 and 127 are *control characters*, non-printable
 - many, but not all, are just there for historical reasons, and not really used any more
- Upper and lower case letters use different codes
 - a=97 whereas A=65

Substitution in Code

- c' = c + s
- Where "s" is just a constant, and will be your "secret" in this cipher (also called *key*)
- Example, if s==7, then letter "Z" (90) turns into an "a" (97)
- Slightly tricky: you need to use module "%" to avoid the sum going over 127, and also need to avoid control 0-32 and 127 values
- Note: implementing this will be one of the exercises...

Secret

- The added constant "s" (eg 7) is going to be the "secret" you would share before communication
- But how "secure" is such cipher?
- You could brute force substitutions from s=1 to s=128, and check against a dictionary for word matches
- Trivial to break with a PC

Generic Mapping

- Each letter directly mapped to another letter
- Can be implemented with an array
- But is it better than c'=c+s???

A	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	I	J	K	•••
W	С	Р	Т	Ε	J	Z	Α	U	M	В	•••

Combinations

- To keep it simple, let's just consider the 26 English letters
- 26 different ways to map "A" to another letter
- Once "A" mapping is chosen, cannot be reused, and so left 25 options for "B"
- Once "B" (and "A") are chosen, 24 options for "C"
- and so on, until only 1 option for "Z" when all other letters are already mapped
- So, $26*25*24*23...*3*2*1 = 26! = 4*10^26$
- "Secret" to share: 26 letter mapping, whereas before was just a number

Polygraphic Substitution Ciphers

- 10^26 is a lot, but could do more
- Instead of mapping single letter, could do mapping of blocks of letters, eg by 2
- There are 26*26=676 pairs of letters
- So, factorial 676! combinations, which is HUGE
- Negative side: now "secret" to share is 676 pair mapping...
- Could even consider more than 2 letters at a time, ie blocks of *m* letters
 - eg, Vigenere Cipher, 1586, we will see in the next slides
- Again, is it secure???

AA	AB	AC	AD	AE	AF	AG	AH	Al	AJ	AK	•••
BW	CA	PR	TT	JE	JD	ZY	AB	UY	RM	KB	•••

Nope... not secure at all...

- Substitution ciphers do NOT hide the frequency of the characters
- Some characters are used more often, and the mapped ones will appear as often in the ciphertexts
- Those frequency values can be computer from existing corpora, eg books, dictionaries and magazines
- Eg, the most common used letter in English is "e"
- Can analyze frequency of letters in ciphertext to infer the used secret, ie mapping
- Note: this assumes knowledge of type of message (eg text and language vs other kind of data, eg images)

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i:	6.28%	j:	0.19%	k:	0.95%	1:	4.08%
m:	2.33%	n:	6.95%	o:	7.63%	p:	1.66%
q:	0.06%	r:	5.29%	s:	6.02%	t:	9.67%
u:	2.92%	v:	0.82%	w:	2.60%	x:	0.11%
y:	2.04%	z:	0.06%				

Mark Twain: Tom Sawyer(Engelsk)

One-Time Pads

Vigenere Cipher

- Made in 1586
- Substitution cipher (discussed in previous slides)
- Encrypt in blocks of m characters
- Each character is shifted by s_i value, where i is the position in the block
- The "secret" is hence these m shift values $s_1, s_2, ... s_m$

Vigenere Example

• S = $\{5, 2, 1\}$, m=3, text = "Hello"

Н	е	1	1	0	
72	101	108	108	111	
+5	+2	+1	+5	+2	
M	g	m	q	q	
77	103	109	113	113	

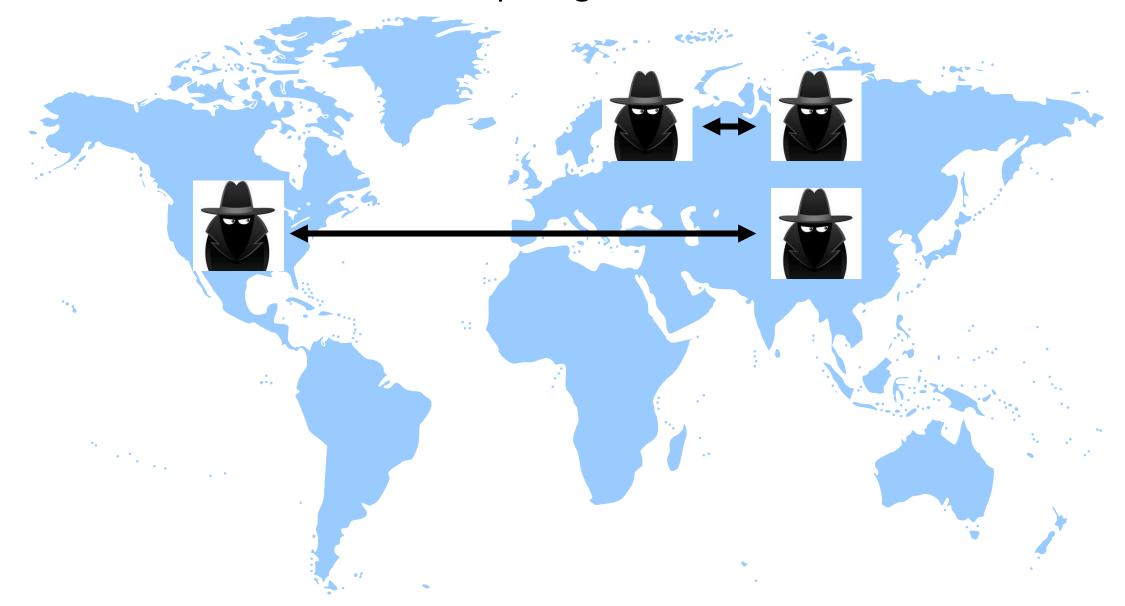
One-Time Pads

- As said in previous slides, substitution ciphers are not secure
- The same black of m letter will be mapped same way
- Given a long enough ciphertext, can do statistical analysis of most common patterns to infer the secret S
- But... what if *m* is longer than the cipher text...
- ... and the values s_i are chosen at random???
- Then there would be impossible to decrypt the ciphertext, as there would be no correlation for statistical analysis

Sharing of Secrets

- With base Vigenere Cipher, need first to share a secret of length m (eg 10 values), and then can encrypt/decrypt as long text as I want, for how many times I want
 - Eg, a whole book
- With One-Time pad (ie Vigenere with long random S), the length of the secret is equal or more than the ciphertext
- Encrypting a book would require a S that is as long as the book
- Is securely sharing a long secret S practical???

Can first share (long) S when in secure context, and then *afterwards* use it as One-Time Pad when requiring secure communications



Cold War 1962-1979

- One-Time Pads were used by spies during the Cold War between USSR and USA
- Problem: once a spy used the whole S for his communications, could not get a new one (eg, when infiltrated in an enemy country)... so started to re-use it...
- ... but when re-using it, it is exactly like Vigenere, so can be statistically analysed and broken
- Ie, One-Time Pad is secure only as long as secret S is not re-used

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"19" REPORTS ON DISCUSSIONS WITE "KAPITAN", "KABAN" AND ZAMESTITEL' ON THE SECOND FRONT

(1943)

From: NEW YORK

To: Moscow

No: 812

29 May 1943

"19"[ii] reports that "KAPITAN"[iii] and "KABAN"[iv], during conversations in the "COUNTRY [STRANA][v]", invited "19" to join them and ZAMESTITEL'[vi]

[10 groups unrecovered]

second front against GERMANY this year. KABAN considers that, if a second front should prove to be unsuccessful, then this [3 groups unrecovered] harm to Russian interests and [6 groups unrecovered]. He considers it more advantageous and effective to weaken GERMANY by bombing and to use this time for "[4 groups unrecovered] political crisis so that there may be no doubt that a second front next year will prove successful."

ZAMESTITEL and

[14 groups unrecovered]

". 19 thinks that "KAPITAN" is not informing ZAMESTITEL' of important military decisions and that therefore ZAMESTITEL' may not have exact knowledge of [1 group unrecovered] with the opening of a second front against GERMANY and its postponement from this year to next year. 19 says that ZAMESTITEL' personally is an ardent supporter of a second front at this time and considers postponement

[Continued overleaf]



Binary One-Time Pads

- So far we have been talking of written text
- But might need to encrypt any kind of data (eg images)
- So, we need to generalize to 0/1 bit strings
- But, let's talk of XOR first...

Exclusive-or (XOR)

- Bit operation: takes 2 bits, gives 1 as output
- Result 0: if the bits are equal
 - 0 xor 0 = 0
 - 1 xor 1 = 0
- Result 1: if the bits are different
 - 0 xor 1 = 1
 - 1 xor 0 = 1
- For bit strings, xor one bit at a time
 - eg, 10100 xor 01101 = 11001
- Highly efficient operation

XOR	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

Α	1	0	1	0	0
В	0	1	1	0	1
XOR	1	1	0	0	1

Binary One-Time Pads: Cont.

- Message M as binary 0/1 string
- Secret P (pad) being a random binary string
- Ciphertext simply: C = M xor P
- Recover message: M = C xor P
- Highly efficient to compute, can be applied to any kind of data

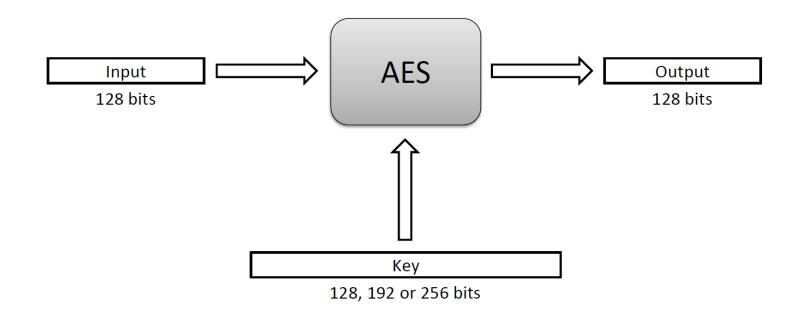
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- One-Time Pads are secure as long as the pad is not re-used
 - So, not too practical for current security needs
- AES (1997) is current best approach for symmetric encryption
- Symmetric: both sender and receiver use the same key/secret
 - ie, S=S'
- 3 different versions: 128, 192 and 256 bits
 - tradeoff between security and efficiency of the algorithms
 - ie, more secure version (256) takes longer to compute

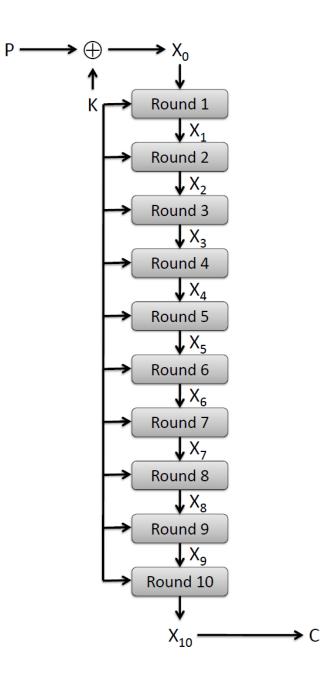
Blocks

- AES encrypts/decrypts a message in blocks of 128 bits
- But how does it works internally?



128 Bit Version

- Quite complex algorithm, we Il NOT see full details
 - see book if interested
- Starting from $X_0 = P xor K$
 - *P* is the plaintext, whereas *K* is the 128 bit key
 - So, first step is same as One-Time Pads
- $\bullet X_i = r(X_{i-1}, K)$
 - complex steps: S-box substitution, permutation, etc
- Repeated 10 times until ciphertext $C=X_{10}$



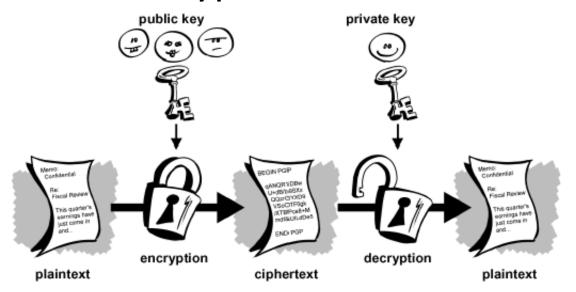
AES Security

- AES is highly secure, especially the 256 bit version
 - Not possible to brute force it with current hardware/systems
- In contrast to One-Time Pads, the secret/key can be reused
- But how can Alice and Bob share a 256 bit key secretly if they do not know each other?
- Eg, if you want to communicate *securely* with different web sites (your bank, Facebook, etc.), how to share the secret key?
- With symmetric keys, you can't do it directly...

Public-Key Cryptography

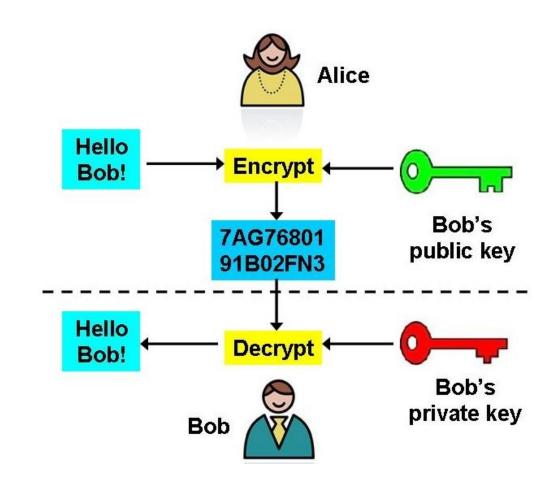
Asymmetric Keys

- The key K used for encryption is different from the K' used for decryption
- So, need at least 2 keys
- Why? Can publicly share the encryption key K, but then keep private the decryption K' one



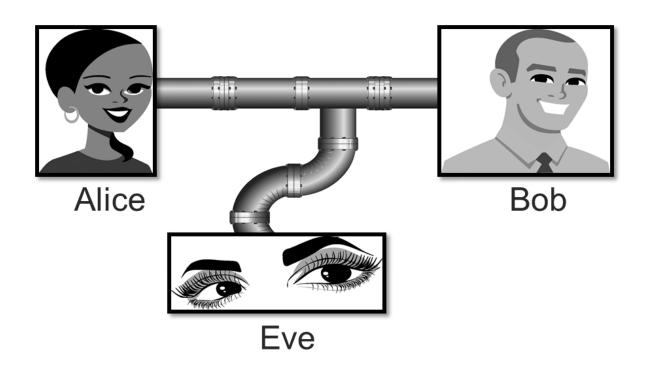
Public/Private Keys

- Each user will have 2 keys: one *private*, and one *public*
- When Alice wants to speak with Bob, it will be encrypt with the public key of Bob
- Only Bob can decrypt the ciphertext using his private key
- When replying, Bob will use Alice's *public* key, and so on



Why does it work?

- Alice and Bob do publicize and share their public keys in the open
- But how can we ensure that, even if Eve intercepts the encrypted messages, she cannot brute force and decrypt them even without Bob's private key?



RSA Cryptosystem

- Named after its authors
 - Adi Shamir, Ron Rivest and Len Adleman
- Security based on mathematical problems (factorization) that we do not know how solve efficiently
- n = pq, where p and q are prime numbers
 - prime number, only dividable by 1 and itself, eg 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, ...
- Given n, we have no efficient algorithm to derive p and q

RSA Cont.

- Bob generates 2 *large* prime numbers p and q, where n = pq
- Choose e such that it is relative prime to $\phi(n)$
- $d = e^{-1} \mod \phi(n)$
- Note: mathematically details of these formulas are NOT important for this course
- Public key: pair (e, n)
- Private key: d
- Note: if one would derive p and q from n, then deriving private key d would be trivial

RSA Encryption/Decryption

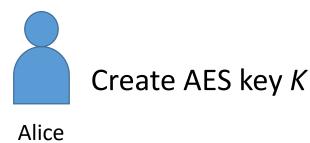
- Alice sending message M to Bob using Bob's public key (e,n)
- Note: M, being a 0/1 bit string, can be represented with a (large) number
- Encryption using public (e,n): $C = M^e \mod n$
- Decryption using private d: $M = C^d \mod n$

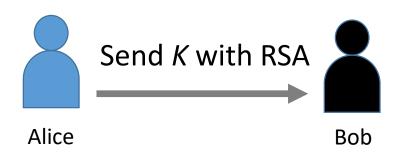
RSA Problem

- Factorization (ie deriving p and q from n) is a hard problem,
 but can be brute forced if n is not too large
- Currently, to be secure, recommended to use *n* with at least 2048 bits, which is a HUGE number
- Problem: because RSA works on very large numbers, it is slow, much, much slower than AES
- So, not efficient when needing to send many encrypted messages

Key Exchange: RSA + AES

- In AES we have the problem of securely share the symmetric key
- In RSA, we don't have such issue, as public keys can be shared in the open
- But RSA is very slow
- RSA + AES: using RSA in the first step to share an AES key, and then keep communicating by using AES







HTTPS: SSL/TLS



- When you access websites using HTTPS, those exchanges of messages/files are encrypted
- Usually using RSA under the hoods
- Certificate: the public key for the site you want to access (eg Facebook)
- Certificate Authority: handling of certificates for the different web sites
- Will go back on this when doing web security later in the course

HTML + CSS + JavaScript

Overlap With Other Courses

- This course is about Information Security, not programming
- But to understand security, you need to know how programming works
- Studying just theory is not the same as doing some actual hacking
- Later in the course there is going to be a focus on web, so need to understand the bases of web development
- Although this is not a course on web development, we will go through it, even though the details will / should had been covered in other courses...
- Think about it as a repetition...
- However, the (3-h written) exam will be "theoretical", and I will **NOT** ask you to write code (although I *might* show you code, and ask you questions about it)

HTML (HyperText Markup Language)

- A markup language, not a programming one
- Composed by tags, eg <body>, , <a>, etc
- When a browser receives a HTML file, it will parse its content, and create a GUI based on those tags
- Most HTML pages do have references to other files, like for example images
- Before a page is fully displayed in browser, those other files need to be downloaded

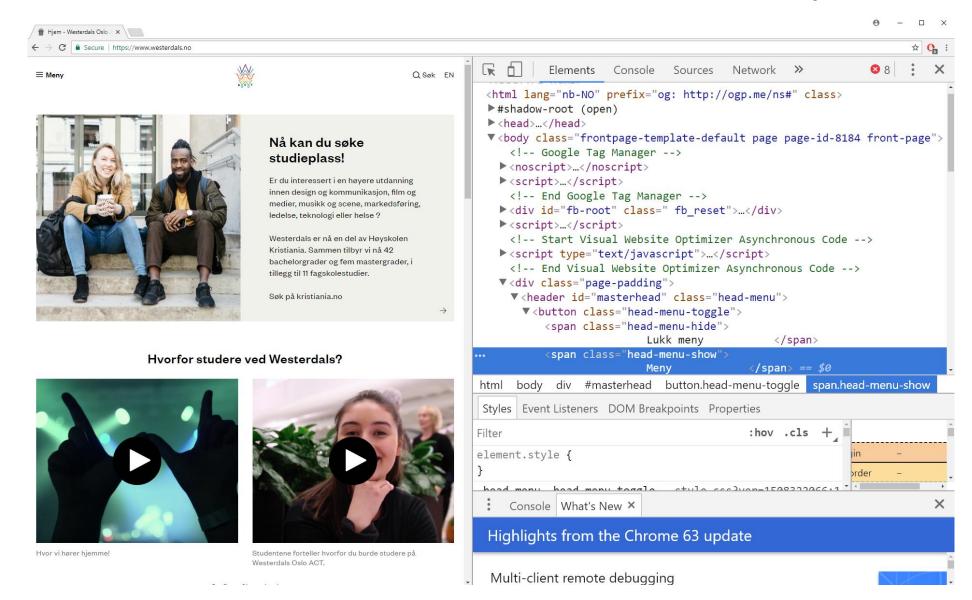
A Cat and a Dog





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<HTML>
 <HEAD>
  <TITLE>Example</TITLE>
 </HEAD>
 <BODY BGCOLOR="gray">
  <h2> A Cat and a Dog </h2>
  <DIV>
   <IMG SRC="figs/cat.jpg" style="width:256px">
   <IMG SRC="figs/dog.jpg" style="width:256px">
 </DIV>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```

Chrome -> More tools -> Developer tools



CSS (Cascading Style Sheets)

- Language used to specify how the different HTML components should be displayed
- Needed to specify for example: layout, colors and fonts
- Can be embedded directly in HTML pages (eg, in the header)
- However, often in separated files
 - for separation of document content from document presentation

```
h1 { color: white;
  background: orange;
  border: 1px solid bla
  padding: 0 0 0 0;
 font-weight: bold;
/* begin: seaside-theme */
body {
  background-color:white;
  color:black;
  font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
  margin: 0 4px 0 0;
 border: 12px solid;
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JavaScript

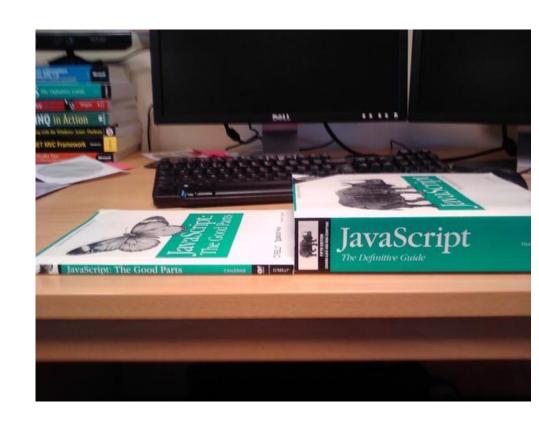
- JavaScript (JS) has nothing to do with Java
- Programming language executed in the browser
- JS code referenced by webpages like any other resource (eg images and CSS files), or can be embedded directly in HTML
- JS can manipulate the DOM (Document Object Model) to alter the webpages structure/content based on user's interactions (eg mouse clicks)

JavaScript is King on the Browser

- If web page needs to execute code on browser, you use JS
- But historically there were other options in the (not so long ago) past:
 - Java with Java Applets (practically dead)
 - Flash (still found in some old web pages)
 - Silverligth
 - Etc.
- Those were not natively supported by browser, and you had to install plugins to run them

But JavaScript is a badly designed language...

- When the most famous book is called "The Good Parts", that tells you something...
- However, there are other languages that do transpile to JS, like TypeScript and Kotlin
 - But configure them would be to complex at this point, and out of scope of this course...
- ... and WebAssembly might (hopefully) replace JS one day...
- But we will need to write not so many lines of JS in this course, so you will survive...



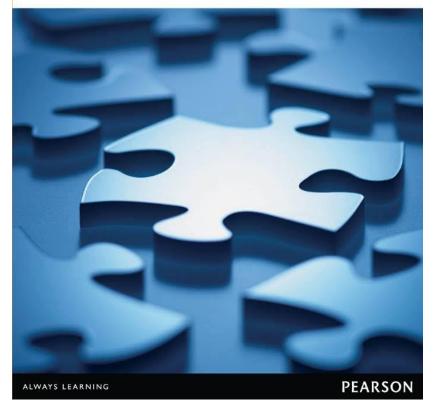
DEMO

- See *lessons/02/html/lesson02_example.html* in the Git repository
- Note: this demo is not related to security, but it will be the starting point for this week exercise

For Next Week

PEARSON NEW INTERNATIONAL EDITION

Introduction to Computer Security
Michael Goodrich Roberto Tamassia
First Edition



- Book pages: 25-30, 388-394, 399-400, 410-412
- Note: when I tell you to study some specific pages in the book, it would be good if you also read the other pages in the same chapter at least once
- Exercises for Lesson 02 on GitHub repository