

1 Don't Reuse that One-Time Pad

Here are five 4-letter (uppercase) messages in ASCII each XORed using the same key $k \in \{0, 1\}^{32}$. Recover all the messages and then encrypt the word MATH using the same key:

- $E(k, m_1) = 10011111 \ 01110001 \ 01100001 \ 11001101$
- $E(k, m_2) = 10001110 \ 01100010 \ 01110111 \ 11001011$
- $E(k, m_3) = 10000000 \ 01110001 \ 01101011 \ 11001010$
- $E(k, m_4) = 10001110 \ 01100010 \ 01110111 \ 11010111$
- $E(k, m_5) = 10000110 \ 01110001 \ 01110111 \ 11001101$

Here's a table of ASCII values for the uppercase letters:

A	65	01000001	N	78	01001110
B	66	01000010	O	79	01001111
C	67	01000011	P	80	01010000
D	68	01000100	Q	81	01010001
E	69	01000101	R	82	01010010
F	70	01000110	S	83	01010011
G	71	01000111	T	84	01010100
H	72	01001000	U	85	01010101
I	73	01001001	V	86	01010110
J	74	01001010	W	87	01010111
K	75	01001011	X	88	01011000
L	76	01001100	Y	89	01011001
M	77	01001101	Z	90	01011010

Proof. [SOLUTION: Hint: E is the most common letter of the alphabet.

Key k : 11001011 00110100 00110010 10011001

Words: TEST, EVER, KEYS, EVEN, MEET

$$E(k, \text{"MATH"}) = 10000110 \ 01110101 \ 01100110 \ 11010001$$

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2 One-Time Pad Overkill

2.1

Suppose we use a double-key for OTP:

$$\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}_1 \times \mathcal{K}_2 = \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \{0, 1\}^n$$

- $E((k_1, k_2), m) = k_1 \oplus k_2 \oplus m$
- $D((k_1, k_2), c) = k_1 \oplus k_2 \oplus c$

Prove that this cipher has perfect secrecy. (Make sure to use the definition of perfect secrecy.)

Proof. [SOLUTION: For any $m \in \mathcal{M}, c \in \mathcal{C}$:

$$Pr[E(k \xleftarrow{R} \mathcal{K}, m) = c] = \frac{2^n}{2^n \cdot 2^n}$$

Thus, the definition of perfect secrecy holds if we compare any two messages.] □

2.2

Do the same for:

- $\mathcal{K} = \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}$
- $E((k_1, b), m) = k_1 \oplus \underbrace{bb\dots b}_n \oplus m$

(The bit string $\underbrace{bb\dots b}_n$ is n copies of b .)

Proof. [SOLUTION: For any $m \in \mathcal{M}, c \in \mathcal{C}$:

$$Pr[E(k \xleftarrow{R} \mathcal{K}, m) = c] = \frac{2}{2^n \cdot 2}$$

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3 Caesar Cipher's Shaky Secrecy (Say *that* ten times.)

Consider the Caesar Cipher:

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{C} = \{0, \dots, 25\}^n$$

$$\mathcal{K} = \{0, \dots, 25\}$$

- $E(k, m) = [(m[0] + k \bmod 26), \dots, (m[n-1] + k \bmod 26)]$
- $D(k, c) = [(c[0] - k \bmod 26), \dots, (c[n-1] - k \bmod 26)]$

Prove that it does not have perfect secrecy.

Proof. [SOLUTION: Consider $m_0 = [0, 0]$ and $m_1 = [0, 1]$ and $c = [0, 0]$
Now:

$$Pr[E(k \xleftarrow{R} \mathcal{K}, m_0) = c] = 1/26$$

$$Pr[E(k \xleftarrow{R} \mathcal{K}, m) = c] = 0$$

Thus, the Caesar Cipher does not have perfect secrecy.]

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4 Analyze that Cipher!™

Suppose we have a cipher

- $E : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$
- $D : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$

that has perfect secrecy. Consider the following ciphers that are built on it. Which ones have perfect secrecy? Prove/disprove it.

4.1

- $\mathcal{K}' = \mathcal{K}$
- $\mathcal{M}' = \mathcal{M}$
- $\mathcal{C}' = \mathcal{C} \times \{0, 1\}^8$
- $E'(k, m) := (E(k, m), 01101100)$
- $D'(k, (c_1, c_2)) = D(k, c_1)$

Proof. [SOLUTION: Consider $c \in \mathcal{C}$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[E(k, m) = c] &= \Pr[(E(k, m), 01101100) = (c, 01101100)] \\ &= \Pr[E'(k, m) = (c, 01101100)] \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have perfect secrecy.

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4.2

- $\mathcal{K}' = \mathcal{K}$
- $\mathcal{M}' = \mathcal{M}$
- $\mathcal{C}' = \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{K}$
- $E'(k, m) = (E(k, m), k)$
- $D'(k, (c_1, c_2)) = D(k, c_1)$

Proof. [SOLUTION: This does not have perfect secrecy.

Consider an encryption $c = (c_1, c_2) = E(k \xleftarrow{R} \mathcal{K}, m)$ of a message m . This means that $k = c_2$.

Suppose another message m' can encrypt to the same ciphertext. Since

$$E(k', m') = c = (c_1, c_2)$$

this means that $k' = c_2 = k$.

However, we also know that $D(k, c) = m$. Thus, two messages cannot encrypt to the same ciphertext, and we definitely don't have perfect secrecy.

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4.3

- $\mathcal{K}' = \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{K}$
- $\mathcal{M}' = \mathcal{M}$
- $\mathcal{C}' = \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{K}$
- $E'((k_1, k_2), m) = (E(k_2 \oplus k_1, m), k_1)$
- $D'((k_1, k_2), (c_1, c_2)) = D(k_2 \oplus k_1, c_1)$

5 Bonus binary boolean function of the day: NOR

5.1

Consider the *NOR* binary function

a	b	$NOR(a, b)$
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

Show how to write $a \oplus b$ using only (nested) *NOR* functions with a and b .

Proof. [SOLUTION:

$$NOR(NOR(a, b), NOR(NOR(a, a), NOR(b, b)))$$

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5.2

Try the same for *NAND*:

a	b	$NAND(a, b)$
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Proof. [SOLUTION:

$$NAND(NAND(a, NAND(a, b)), NAND(b, NAND(a, b)))$$

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6 More RSA

Suppose someone knows $\varphi(N)$ for a public RSA modulus N . Show how they can factor N without additional information.

Proof. [SOLUTION:

- $N = p \cdot q$
- $\varphi(N) = (p - 1) \cdot (q - 1)$
- $N = 1 - \varphi(N) = p + q$

We know $p \cdot q$ and $p + q$, so we can solve for p and q using standard quadratic techniques:

$$p = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\sqrt{(N - \varphi(N) + 1)^2 - 4N} + N - \varphi(N) + 1 \right)$$

$$q = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{(N - \varphi(N) + 1)^2 - 4N} + N - \varphi(N) + 1 \right)$$

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7 More ElGamal Encryption

Suppose Eve listens in on an ElGamal encryption from Alice to Bob. That is, she sees Bob publishing

$$(p, g, h = g^x)$$

and sees Alice sending

$$(c_1 = g^y, c_2 = m \cdot h^y)$$

Show that if Eve can find out m without any additional information, she has broken an instance of the Computational Diffie-Hellman Problem (show the exact givens for the problem instance, and how she finds the secret value in the CDH Problem).

Proof. [SOLUTION: Suppose Alice has m .

The instance is

$$(g, g^x, g^y)$$

and Eve finds

$$g^{xy}$$

by calculating

$$c_2 \cdot m^{-1} \pmod{p} = h^y = g^{xy}$$

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