Introduction to Cryptography, Spring 2024

Homework 2

Due: 3/19/2024 (Tuesday)

Notes:

- (1) For Part A, submit a "hardcopy" right after the class on the due day.
- (2) For any question about the online judge system Formosa OJ, consult TA's.
- (3) TAs will run plagiarism check on your submitted programs. Write your own code and do not copy from others or anywhere.

Part A: Written exercises

 Decrypt the following ciphertext that is generated by the Vigenere autokey cipher with keyword=apple:

cgnaxqcmvr wd wtrmjmfmmek

- 2. Consider the one-time pad cipher with a skewed key distribution. Assume that the plaintext M is 2-bit long with distribution Pr[M=00]=0.2, Pr[M=01]=0.25, Pr[M=10]=0.4 and Pr[M=11]=0.15 and the key is picked with distribution Pr[K=00]=0.2, Pr[K=01]=0.35, Pr[K=10]=0.15 and Pr[K=11]=0.3.
 - a) What is the distribution of the ciphertext $C=M \oplus K$?
 - b) What is the deduced plaintext distribution after a ciphertext C=10 is observed? That is, to compute $Pr[M=b_1b_2|C=10]$ for $b_1, b_2 \in \{0,1\}$
 - c) If you intercept a ciphertext C=11, what would you guess about the plaintext M? Explain the reason.

Part B: Programming

- This homework is to implement DES, which encrypts a 64-bit plaintext block to a 64-bit ciphertext block with a key of 64 bits (with parity bits). Do not call crypto library directly since you need to modify the code during the on-site test.
 - a. Input format: an ordered pair of key and plaintext in characters, such as "12345678 Pachinko". Each character is interpreted as its 8 bit-ASCII code, e.g., 'A' = 41 (Hex)
 - b. Output format: 16 hex characters, such as "C45077C10E08B3D0" which is the ciphertext of the above key and plaintext.
 - c. Use C++ programming language in order to use the Formosa Online Judge system.
- 2. Submission:
 - a. Submit before 9:00am, 3/19 (Tuesday). The submission system will close on time.

- b. Submit a file DES.cpp to Formosa OJ (https://formosa.oj.cs.nycu.edu.tw/) with your own account.
- c. Your code needs to read the input from **stdin**, which contains 5 ordered pairs of key and plaintext, one in each line, such as, "12345678 Pachinko".
- d. Output: print 5 lines of ciphertexts (in Hex) for the test data that are read from stdin.
- e. Formosa OJ will compile your code and judge it on the test data from stdin.
- 3. On-site test
 - a. Test time: 5:30-9:00pm, 3/22 (Friday).
 - b. Test site: Computer rooms (EC315, EC316, EC324)
 - c. It is your responsibility to reserve sufficient time for completing the test. The system will close at 9 pm on time.
 - d. You will be asked to modify your DES implementation, which is your submitted C++ file on Formosa OJ, according to the given specification.
 - e. Your code needs to read the input from **stdin**, which has the same format as the submitted version. The output format is the same also.
- 4. Grade evaluation
 - a. 50%: the submitted programs and test results
 - b. 50%: correctness of the on-site test

Appendix: Join the course group on Formosa OJ

- 1. Please find the course "515611 密碼學概論" in the group list (https://formosa.oj.cs.nycu.edu.tw/groups/), and press the "Join" button.
- Important: Login Formosa OJ by NYCU Oauth2. If you don't login by NYCU
 Oauth2, your username will not be the student ID and you won't have any grade on
 this homework.

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Solutions

(1) cryptology is interesting

Since M=10 is most likely among all possible bibs,

ne would guess M=10 on observing C=11.