

Lab 2: Attacking Classic Crypto Systems

Objectives:

- To attack classic crypto systems

Submission:

- Corresponding source files and a report explaining the approaches taken.

Instruction:

In this lab, we are going to break several classic crypto systems. The main idea is to demonstrate the weaknesses of these crypto systems. Use any programming language to code programs that could be used to break these systems by decrypting the corresponding cipher. Then submit the corresponding source files.

Also, prepare a report in which outline the approach you have taken to break each crypto system. You don't need to be concise. I would like to know your thought process of attacking the crypto systems. Therefore, add as many details as possible.

In addition, you will also need to write code for the Vignere crypto system.

Problem – 1 (Marks 3)

The following cipher has been created using the Caesar cipher. Write a program to decipher it.

Cipher: krclxrwrxbxwnxocqnlxxunbcwencrxwbrwanlnwccrvnb

Problem – 2 (Marks 12 (6 + 6))

The following two ciphers have been created using a substitution cipher. Write a program to decipher them.

Which input was easier to break? Explain your answer.

For your convenience, a frequency distribution of English characters is given in the next page.

Cipher-1: IT CNJ FGM ETKMNOF CITMITK MIT JWF JIGFT GK YGK MINM SNMMTK CITMITK
OM CNJ ZNB GK FOUIM IT CNJ NJINSTZ MG NJQ NDD MIT HDNFTM JTTSTZ MG DOXT
RTFTNMI STMND MIT STND GY CIOEI IT INZ PWJM HNKMNQTF INZ RTTF DNRTDTZ
DWFEITGF RWM MITKT CTKT SNFB HDNFTMJ CIOEI DOXTZ N JMNZFZKZ MOSTJENDT MINM
MGGQ FG NEEGWFM GY MIT HTKINHJ OFEGFXTFOTFM NDMTKFNMOGF GY ZNB NFZ
FOUIM. MIT KNMT GY HDNFTMNKB MWKFOFUJ ZOYYTKTZ, NFZ IT ZOZ FGM QFGC MINM
GY MKNFMGK

Cipher-2: VDUMU NEC E NEFF EDUEY SV ZUOEH DSOD SH VDU ESM EHY URVUHYUY
BKNEMY LBV LI CSODV SV NEC MSYYFUY NSVD DLFUC VDEV NUMU VDU GLBVDC LI
VBHHUFC OEEF'C VERS GLAU Y VLNEMY LHU, VDUH KFBHOUY SHVL SV ILM E GLGUHV OEEF
NLHYUMUY SYFP DLN DSC YMSAUM TLBFY KSTX LBV LHU EGLHO CL GEHP VDUMU NEC HLN
LHFP ZFETXHUCC NSVD HLVDSHO ZBV VDU KECV-IFECDSHO LI E TLFLMUY CSOHEF FSODV VL
MUFSUAU VDU OFLLG VDU ESM NEC IBFF LI E MBCDSHO CLBHY OEEF FUEHUY ILMNEMY
EOESHCV YUTUFUMEVSLH VDUH EHY VDU VERS KLKKUY LBV LI VDU VBHHUF EHY
YUCTUHYUY VL OMLBHY-FUAUF LHTU GLMU VDU FBRLM DLVUF CESY VDU YMSAUM
BHHUTUCCEMSFP DU DUFKUY OEEF NSVD DSC ZEOOEOU ETTUKVUY E VUHVD-TMUYSV VSK
NSVD E ZBCSHUCCFSXU ESM KSTXUY BK E NESVSHO KECCUHOUM EHY NEC MSCSHO EOESH

SH EFF VDSC IMLG VDU GLGUHV LI YUZEMXEVS LH VDUMU DEY ZUUH HL OFSGKCU LI CXP
 VMEHVLM EV VDU ZUOSHHSO LI VDU VDSMVUUHVD GSFFUHHBSG VDSC VUHYUHTP
 MUETDUY SVC TFSGER EC VDU TUHVUM LI VDU SGKUMSEF OLAUMHGUHV ILM BHZMLXUH
 DBHYMUVC LI OUHUMEVSLHC EHY FLTEVUY EC SV NEC VLNEMY VDU TUHVMEF MUOSLHC
 LI VDU OEFERP EGLHO VDU GLCV YUHCUP KLKBFEVUY EHY SHYBCVMSEFF EYAEHTUY
 NLMFYC LI VDU CPCVUG, SV TLBFY CTEMTUFP DUFK ZUSHO VDU YUHCUCV EHY MSTDUCV
 TFLV LI DBGEHSVP VDU METU DEY UAUM CUUH SVC BMZEHSQEVSLH, KMLOMUCCSHO
 CVUEYSFP DEY ISHEFF MUETDUY VDU BFVSGEVU. EFF VDU FEHY CBMIETU LI VMEHVLM
 CJBEMU GSFUC SH URVUHV NEC E CSHOFU TSVP VDU KLKBFEVSLH EV SVC DUSODV NEC
 NUFF SH URTUCC LI ILMVP ZSFFSLHC VDSC UHLMGLBC KLKBFEVSLH NEC YUALVUY EFGLCV
 UHVSMUFP VL VDU EYGS HSCVMEVSAU HUTUCCSVSUC LI UGKSMU EHY ILBHY
 VDUGCUFAUC EFF VLL IUN ILM VDU TLGKFSTEVS LH LI VDU VECX (SV SC VL ZU
 MUGUGZUMUY VDEV VDU SGKLCCSZSFSVP LI KMLKUM EYGS HSCVMEVSLH LI VDU
 OEFETVST UGKSMU BHYUM VDU BSHCKSMUY FUEYUMCDISK LI VDU FEVUM UGKUMLMC
 NEC E TLHCSYUMEFU IETVLM SH VDU IEFF) YESFP IFUUV LI CDSKC SH VDU VUHC LI
 VDLBCEHYC ZMLBODV VDU KMLYBTU LI VNUHVP EOMSTBFVBMEF NLMFYC VL VDU
 YSHHUM VEZFUC LI VMEHVLM SVC YUKUHYUHTU BKLH VDU LBVUM NLMFYC ILM ILLY EHY
 SHYUUY ILM EFF HUTUCCSVSUC LI FSIU GEYU VMEHVLM SHTMUEC SHOF ABFHUMEFU VL
 TLHJBUCV ZP CSUOU SH VDU FECV GSFFUHHBSG LI VDU UGKSMU VDU GLHLVLHLBCFP
 HBGUMLBC MUALFVC GEYU UGKUMLM EIVUM UGKUMLM TLHCTSLBC LI VDSC EHY
 SGKUMSEF KLFSTP ZUTEGU FSVVUFU GLMU VDEH VDU KMLVUTVSLH LI VMEHVLM'C
 YUFSTEVU WBOBFEM AUSH

Frequency distribution English characters

a: 8.05%	b: 1.67%	c: 2.23%	d: 5.10%
e: 12.22%	f: 2.14%	g: 2.30%	h: 6.62%
i: 6.28%	j: 0.19%	k: 0.95%	l: 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%		

Problem – 3 (Marks 5)

Write a program to simulate the Vignere crypto system having the following properties and inputs. The program should have encryption as well as decryption facilities with the provision to ask the user the operation the user would like to perform.

Key: pinkfloyd

Sample Input/Output: Ethereum is an open-source, public, blockchain-based distributed computing platform and operating system featuring smart contract functionality

Sample Output/Input: tbuowpik lh ia yupb-qrzpo, ufpjlr, jyyhvqfdxv-okxpr blhbesgfhcg
 rwzzzewlj etndkzfk dcl bzjcorlco fixesk itigewtbe vbied hzbrupkg pzyqrldivnm