

Lecture 4: CrypTool

COSC362 Data and Network Security

CrypTool website and Youtube channel

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Motivation

- ▶ CrypTool is an open-source project that focuses on the free e-learning software CrypTool illustrating cryptographic and cryptanalytic concepts.
- ▶ CrypTool is worldwide the most widespread e-learning software in the field of cryptology.

Outline

CrypTool project and CryptTool 2 software

What is CrypTool?

- ▶ The CrypTool project aims to raise awareness and interest in encryption techniques for everyone.
- ▶ CrypTool 2 (CT2) is a modern e-learning program for Windows, which visualizes cryptography and cryptanalysis:
 - ▶ It includes the encryption and cryptanalysis of ciphers, along with their basics and the whole spectrum of modern cryptography.
- ▶ We will use CT2 in our Labs 3, 4 and 7.

Downloading CrypTool

Disclaimer: We will use CT2 so please download that version!

`https://www.cryptool.org/en/ct2/downloads`

Using CrypTool

Disclaimer: This is the video you must watch for Lecture 4!

`https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dELT2-Vgsr8`

Additional material

- ▶ **CrypTool portal:** <https://www.cryptool.org/en/>
- ▶ **Wikipedia:**
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/CrypTool>
- ▶ **Youtube channel:** https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8_FqvQWJfZYxcSoEJ5ob-Q
- ▶ **CT2 webpage:** <https://www.cryptool.org/en/ct2/>