

An Enigma Machine in Elm



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- I was born in 
- Grew up in 
- Live in 
- Find me at **@arkh4m**
- Work for no_red_ink

A super super super short history of cryptography

What is it

kryptos hidden / *graphia* writing

- Encode: turn *plain* text into *cypher* text.
- Decode: turn *cypher* text into *plain* text.

Caesar Cipher

Shift each letter by 3.

Caesar Cipher

Encode: shift by 3

ET TU BRUTUS

turns into

HW WX EUWX

Caesar Cipher

Encode: shift by 3

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turns into

HW WX EUWX

Decode: shift by -3

HW WX EUWX

turns into

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Monoalphabetic substitution

Decide on a mapping between letters:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Z Y X W V U T S R Q P O N M L K J I H G F E D C B A

Monoalphabetic substitution

Encode: lookup table

NEVER GONNA GIVE YOU UP

turns into

MVEVI TLMMZ TREV BLF FK

Monoalphabetic substitution

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turns into

MVEVI TLMMZ TREV BLF FK

Decode: reverse lookup

MVEVI TLMMZ TREV BLF FK

turns into

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Any problems?

Spaces

- Spaces in cipher text give away too much.

MVEVI TLMMZ TREV BLF FK

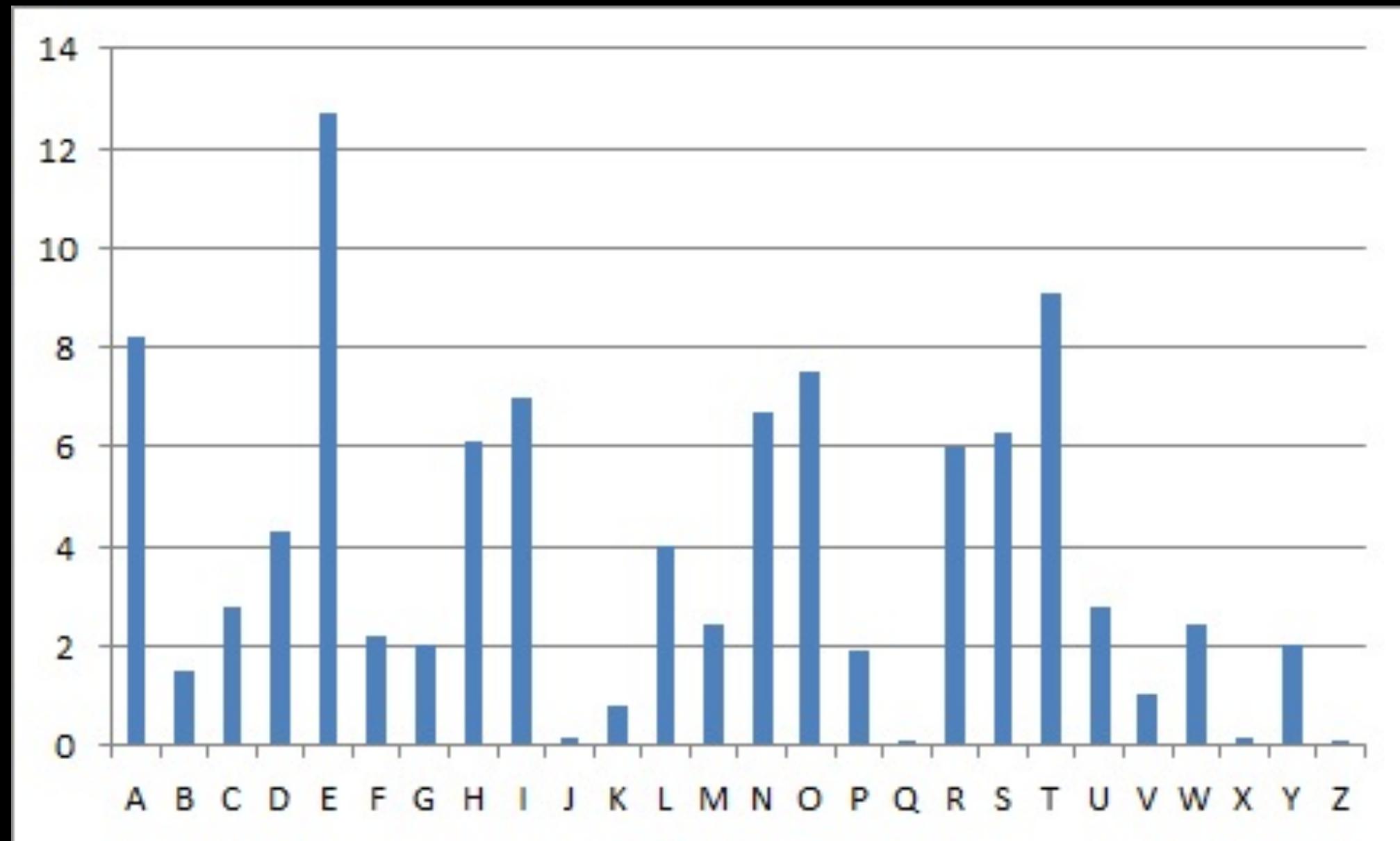
- Easy fix, just remove them!

NEVER GONNA GIVE YOU UP

turns into

MVEVITLMMZTREVBLFFK

Frequency analysis



No fix sry



Fast forward a 1000 years...

The Enigma Machine



The Enigma Machine

- Used from the 1920s
- Used by all Wehrmacht in WW2
- Mechanical with a battery
- Polyalphabetic cipher

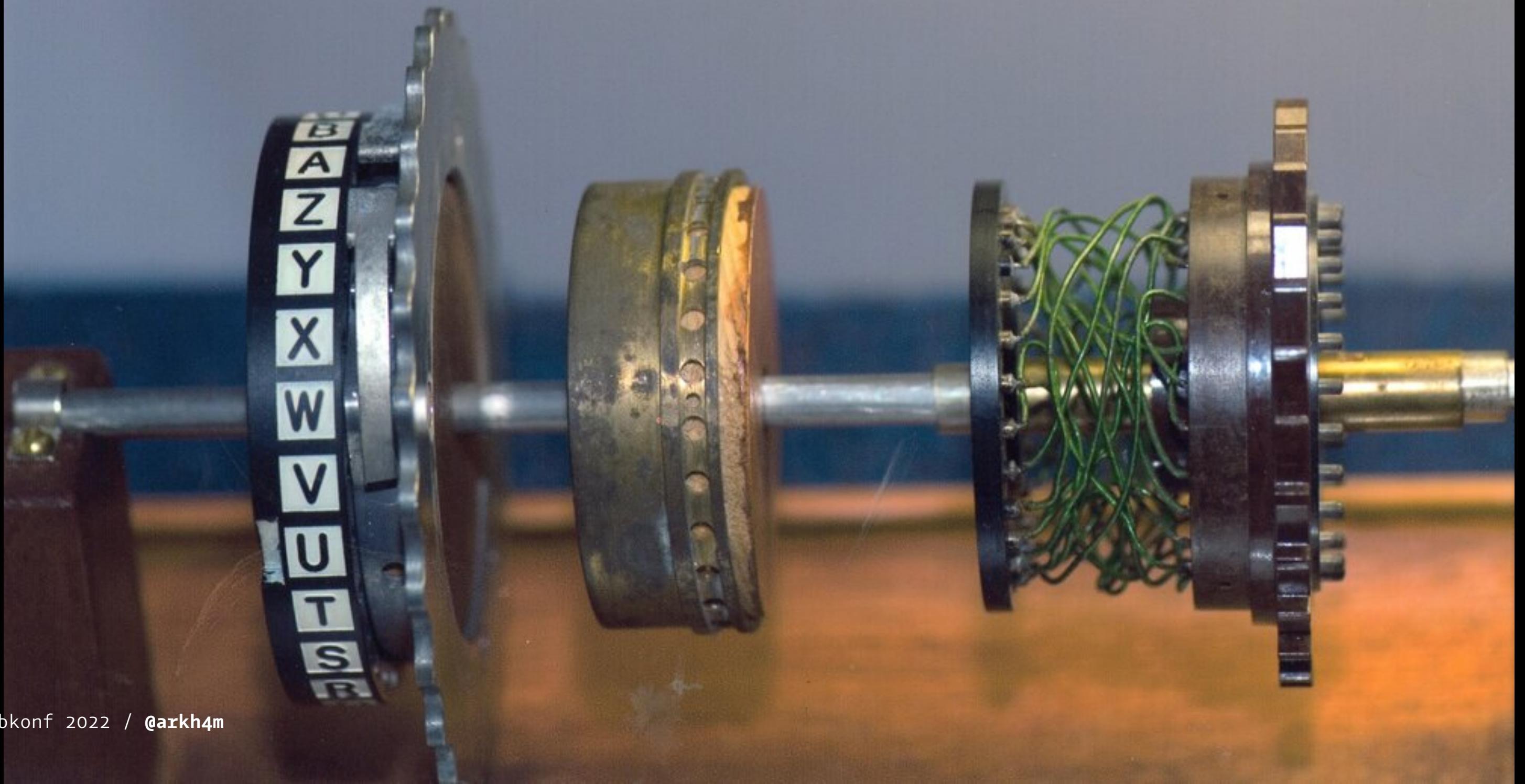


Polyalphabetic

The cipher changes at every keypress! How?

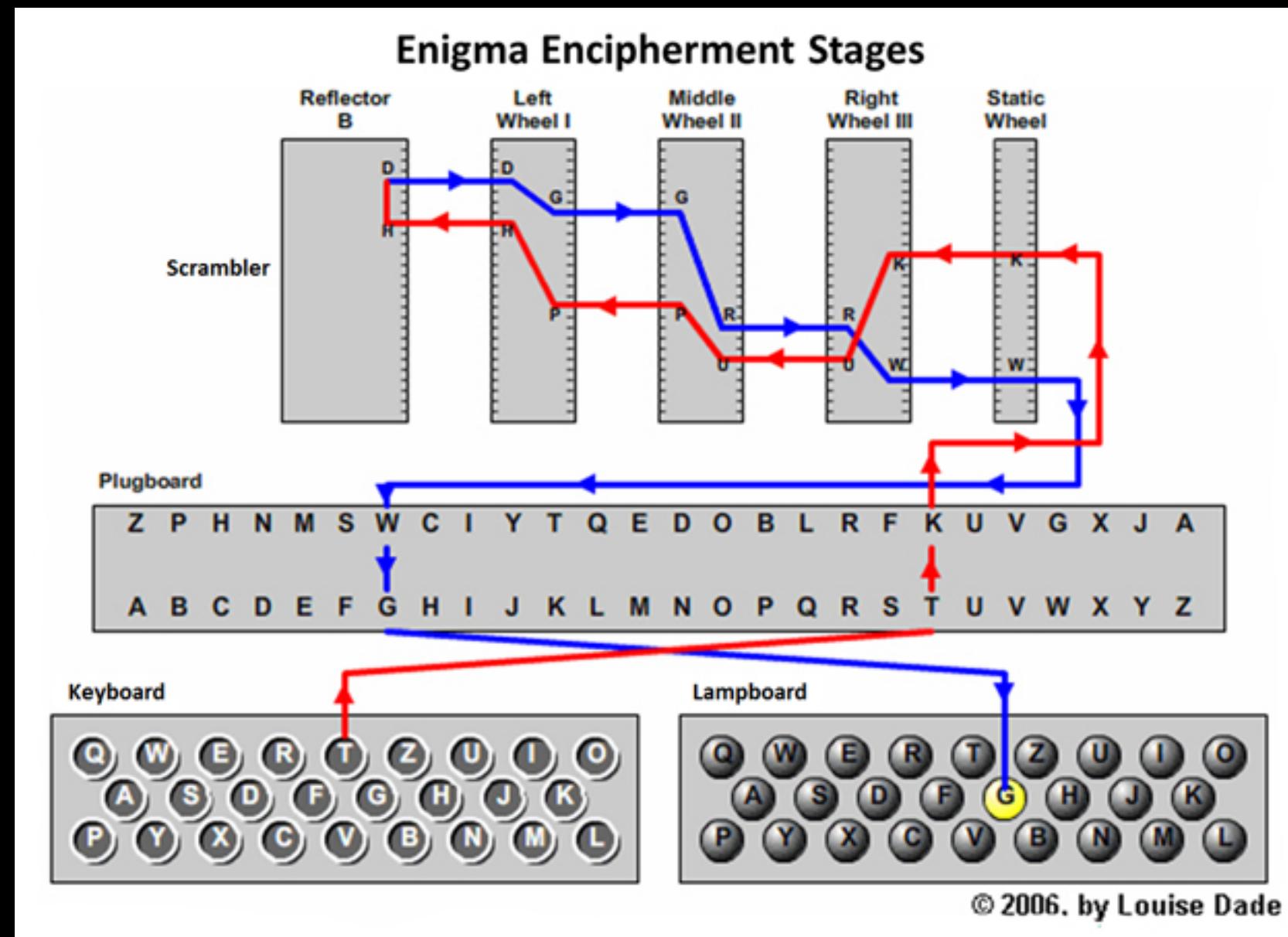






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Journey of a letter



Enigma Machine



How to use the Enigma Machine

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für Oktober 1944

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St	30.	IV	II	III	26	14	11	ZN	FO	QB	ER	DK	XU	GP	TV	SJ	LM		
St	29.	II	V	IV	19	09	24	ZU	HL	CQ	WM	OA	PY	EB	TR	DN	VI		
St	28.	IV	III	I	03	04	22	YT	BX	CV	ZN	UD	IR	SJ	HW	GA	KQ		
St	27.	V	I	IV	20	06	18	KX	GJ	EP	AC	TB	HL	MW	QS	DV	OZ		
St	26.	IV	I	V	10	17	01	YV	GT	OQ	WN	FI	SK	LD	RP	MZ	BÜ		
St	25.	V	IV	III	13	04	17	QR	GB	HA	NM	VS	WD	YZ	OF	XX	PE		
St	24.	III	II	IV	09	20	18	RS	NC	WK	GO	YQ	AX	EH	VJ	ZL	PF		
St	23.	V	II	III	11	21	08	EY	DT	KF	MO	XP	HN	WG	ZL	IV	JA		
St	22.	I	II	IV	01	25	02	PZ	SE	OJ	XF	HA	GB	VQ	UY	KW	LR		
St	21.	IV	I	III	06	22	03	GH	JR	TQ	KF	NZ	IL	WM	BD	UO	EC		
St	20.	V	I	II	12	25	08	TF	RQ	XV	PZ	PY	NL	WI	SJ	ME	GB		
St	19.	IV	III	IP	07	05	23	ZX	EU	AC	GD	KP	VO	QS	NW	HL	RM		
St	18.	II	III	Y	19	14	22	WG	OM	RL	DB	ST	AQ	PZ	XH	YN	IJ		
St	17.	IV	I	II	12	08	21	ME	HX	BF	WY	ZD	TR	FJ	AG	IL	KQ		
St	16.	I	II	III	07	11	15	WZ	AB	MO	TF	RX	SG	QU	V	YN	EL		
St	15.	III	II	V	06	16	02	GT	YC	EJ	UA	RX	PN	IS	WB	MH	ZV		
St	14.	II	I	V	23	05	24	AZ	CJ	WF	UY	SO	QV	MI	NH	DP	GK		
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St	10.	I	V	IV	26	07	16	SW	AQ	NF	FO	VY	UX	MK	CL	HT	ZJ		
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St	8.	V	II	I	23	11	25	QY	OG	ST	HA	CB	WD	KL	JN	VX	IU		
St	7.	II	III	I	06	12	03	BG	FS	TH	JE	VK	PF	CU	QA	OD	NM		
St	6.	I	IV	V	24	19	01	IR	HQ	NT	WZ	VC	OY	GP	LF	BX	AK		
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How to encipher a message

- Open the codebook
- Pick the rotors with the right settings
- Set the plugboard
- Set the rotor positions randomly (write this down)
- Choose a three letter message key and encode it twice (write it down)
- Set the rotors positions to the message key and encrypt the message
- Send in plaintext the initial random positions, the six letter encoded message key and the encrypted message

H6R 5RH DE C 1346 = 3TLE = 2TL 224 = HUW XNG =

RE J

DKRKI CUZAF MNSDC AWXVJ DVZNH DMOZN NWRJC KKJQO

SNZ

ELWIK XDUUF ECEGN OUNNQ CIIZX FUT^NGF BTNWI GOECK

CMYUC KTTYB ZMDTU WCNWH OXOFX ERVQW JUCVY PQACQ

EBMXE NOQKF LWRWR LGKXZ BPYWR GQVYG WJDGA QXKVC

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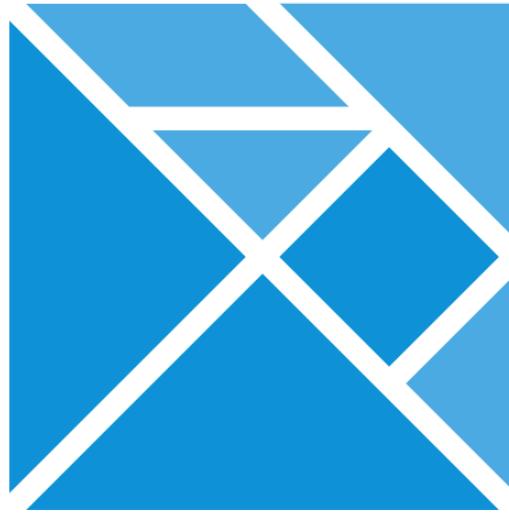
CCT 2/3 RC%GN

1852 FLC

How to decipher a message

- Open the codebook
- Pick the rotors with the right settings
- Set the plugboard
- Set the rotor positions to the three letter plaintext message
- Decode the six letters to get the message key repeated twice
- Set the rotors to the message key and decrypt the message

Elm!



A delightful language
for reliable web applications.

Playground

Guide

or [download the installer](#).

“[My favorite thing] is the feeling of joy and relaxation when writing Elm code.”

Luca Mugnaini, Software Engineer, Rakuten



Elm

- Statically typed
- Pure
- Compiles to JS
- Fun (hehe)

Code dive



Rotor: encoding

```
encode : Char -> Enigma -> ( Char, Enigma )
encode input enigma =
  let
    ({ leftRotor, middleRotor, rightRotor } as stepped) =
      step enigma
  in
    ( input
        |> Plugboard.swap enigma.plugboard
        |> Rotor.toRotorOffset
        |> Rotor.forward rightRotor
        |> Rotor.forward middleRotor
        |> Rotor.forward leftRotor
        |> Reflector.reflect enigma.reflector
        |> Rotor.backward leftRotor
        |> Rotor.backward middleRotor
        |> Rotor.backward rightRotor
        |> Rotor.fromRotorOffset
        |> Plugboard.swap enigma.plugboard
      , stepped
    )
```

Rotor: stepping

```
step : Enigma -> Enigma
step ({ leftRotor, middleRotor, rightRotor } as info) =
  case ( Rotor.atNotch middleRotor , Rotor.atNotch rightRotor) of
    ( True, _ ) ->
      { info
        | middleRotor = Rotor.turn middleRotor
        , leftRotor = Rotor.turn leftRotor
        , rightRotor = Rotor.turn rightRotor
      }

    ( _, True ) ->
      { info
        | middleRotor = Rotor.turn middleRotor
        , rightRotor = Rotor.turn rightRotor
      }

    _ ->
      { info | rightRotor = Rotor.turn rightRotor }
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Let's try it out!

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- Today is the 11th
- Rotors: V I III
- Settings: 17 13 04
- Plugboard: SV GO PA ZR FN HI YM WT DE BJ
- Random starting position: 5 12 13
- Message key: MIC
- Message: KEINE BESONDEREN EREIGNISSE

Resources

- How did the Enigma Machine work?
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ybkkiGtJmkM>
- Enigma, Historical Lessons in Cryptography
<https://jgandrews.com/posts/the-enigma-machine>
- Working principle of the Enigma
<https://cryptomuseum.com/crypto/enigma/working.htm>
- A better Elm implementation
<https://simonhauck.github.io/Enigma-Elm>
- Enigma Machine Emulator
<https://www.101computing.net/enigma-machine-emulator>
- Cipher Machines and Cryptology
<https://www.ciphermachinesandcryptology.com>
- The German cipher machine Enigma
https://www.matematiksider.dk/enigma_eng.html
- 3D printed Enigma machine
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RP10yP5WgSM>

Thank you!

- [@arkh4m](https://enigma.juliu.is)
- <https://enigma.juliu.is>
- <https://github.com/arkham/enigma-in-elm>
- <https://donate.unhcr.org/int/en/ukraine-emergency>

