

# Cryptography

## Hashcrack

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## Description

A company stored a secret message on a server which got breached due to the admin using weakly hashed passwords. Can you gain access to the secret stored within the server?

Additional details will be available after launching your challenge instance.

```
(radhika23s@kali)-[~]
$ nc verbal-sleep.picoctf.net 53075

Welcome!! Looking For the Secret?

We have identified a hash: 482c811da5d5b4bc6d497ffa98491e38
Enter the password for identified hash: password123
Correct! You've cracked the MD5 hash with no secret found!

Flag is yet to be revealed!! Crack this hash: b7a875fc1ea228b9061041b7cec4bd3c52ab3ce3
Enter the password for the identified hash: letmein
Correct! You've cracked the SHA-1 hash with no secret found!

Almost there!! Crack this hash: 916e8c4f79b25028c9e467f1eb8eee6d6bbdff965f9928310ad30a8d88697745
Enter the password for the identified hash: qwerty098
Correct! You've cracked the SHA-256 hash with a secret found.
The flag is: picoCTF{UseStr0nG_h@shEs_6PaSswDs!_ccc21957}

(radhika23s@kali)-[~]
$
```

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## Mod 26

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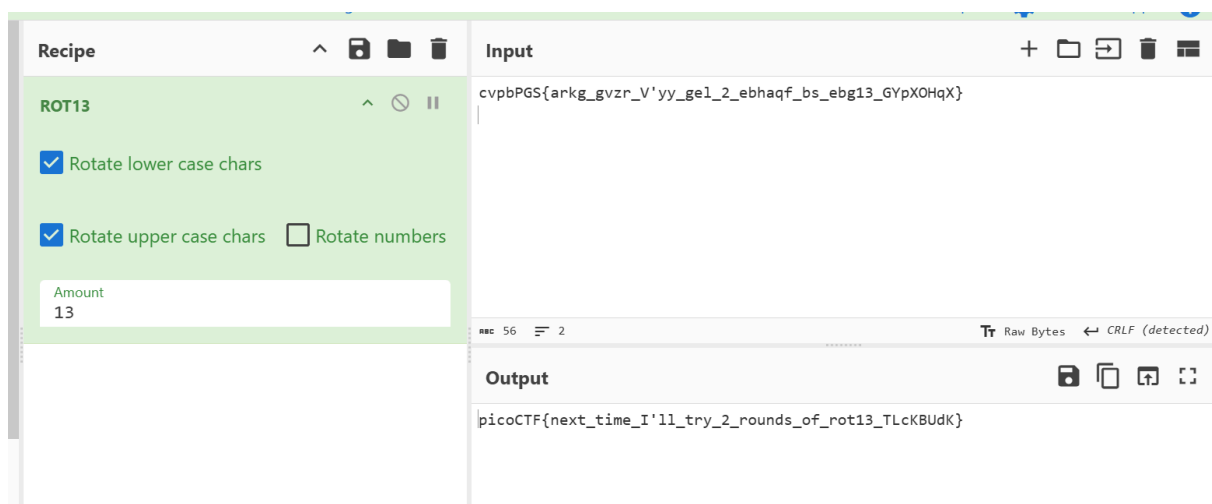
### Description

Cryptography can be easy, do you know what ROT13 is? `cvpbPGS{arkg_gvzr_V'yy_ge1_2_ebhaqf_bs_ebg13_GYpXOHqX}`

**ROT13** is a simple letter substitution cipher that replaces a letter with the 13th letter after it in the Latin alphabet.

ROT13 is a special case of the Caesar cipher which was developed in ancient Rome, used by Julius Caesar in the 1st century BC.<sup>[1]</sup> An early entry on the Timeline of cryptography.

ROT13 can be referred by "Rotate13", "rotate by 13 places", hyphenated "ROT-13" or sometimes by its autonym "EBG13".



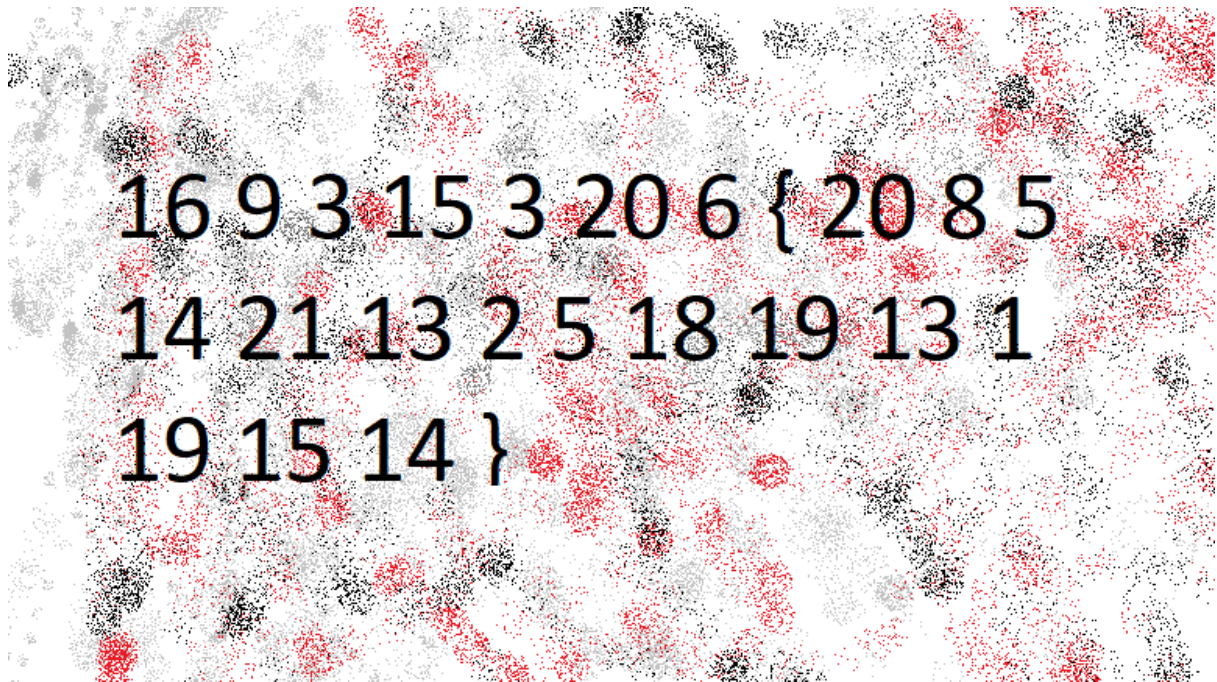
## The Numbers

Author: Danny

### Description

The numbers... what do they mean?

HINT PROVIDED:



This looks like a **number-to-letter cipher**, most likely **A=1, B=2, ..., Z=26**.

Let's decode:

- **16 9 3 15 3 20 6**

- 16 = P
- 9 = I
- 3 = C
- 15 = O
- 3 = C
- 20 = T
- 6 = F

→ **PICOTF**

- **20 8 5 14 21 13 2 5 18 19 13 1 19 15 14**

- 20 = T
- 8 = H
- 5 = E
- 14 = N
- 21 = U

- 13 = M
- 2 = B
- 5 = E
- 18 = R
- 19 = S
- 13 = M
- 1 = A
- 19 = S
- 15 = O
- 14 = N

→ **THENUMBERSMASON**

So the whole thing reads:

picocft{thenumbersmason}

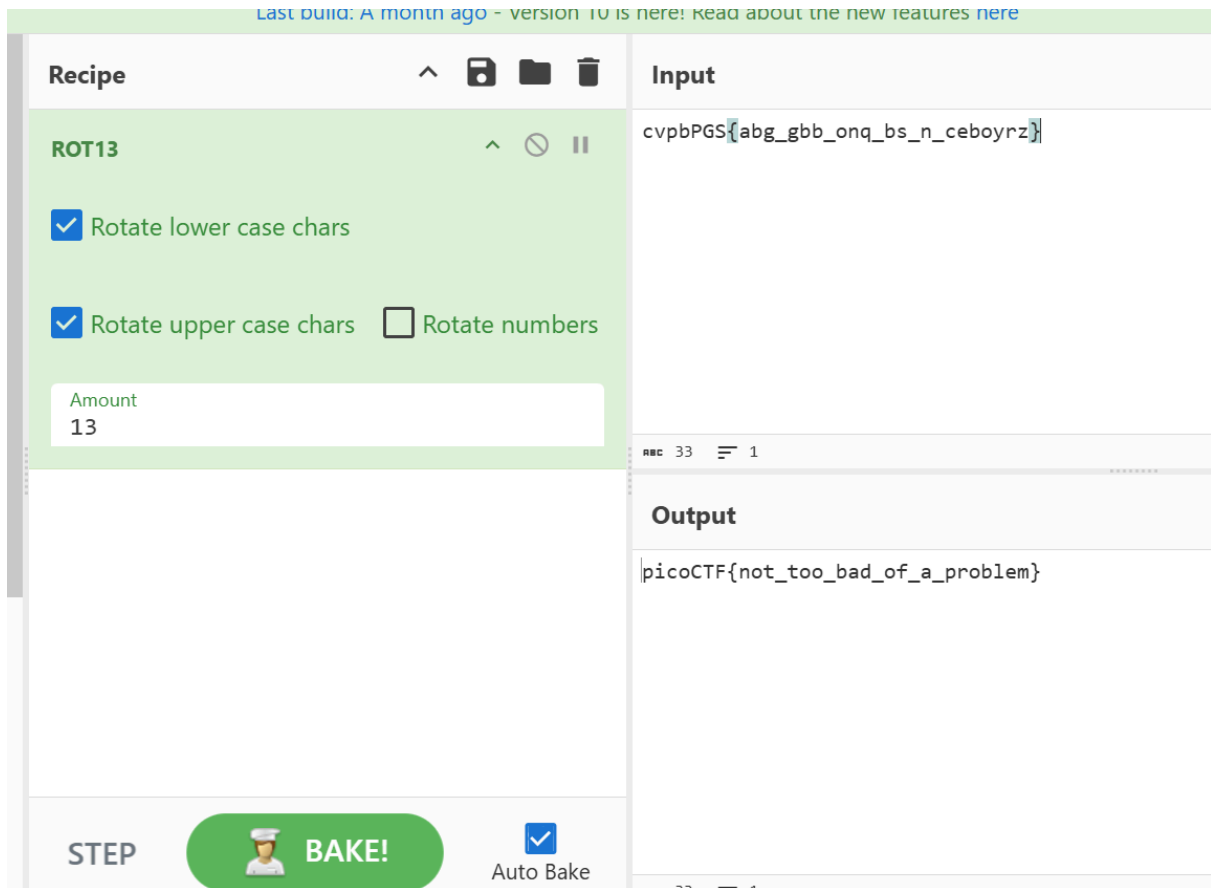
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Author: Alex Fulton/Daniel Tunitis

### Description

Cryptography can be easy, do you know what ROT13

is? `cvpbPGS{abg_gbb_onq_bs_n_ceboyrz}`



## interencdec

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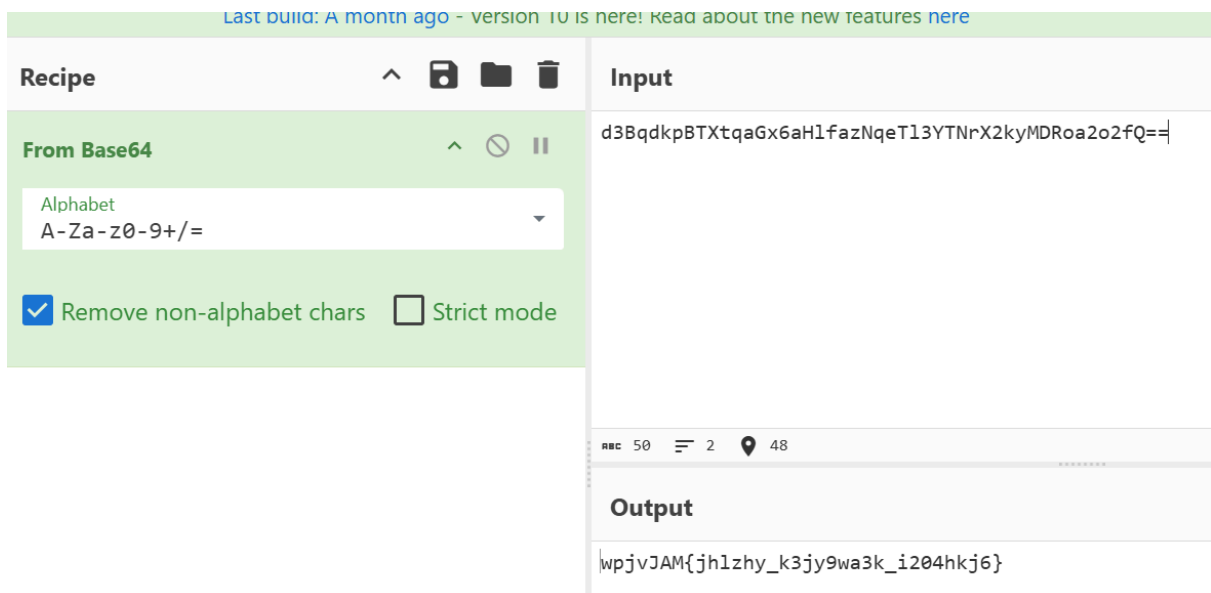
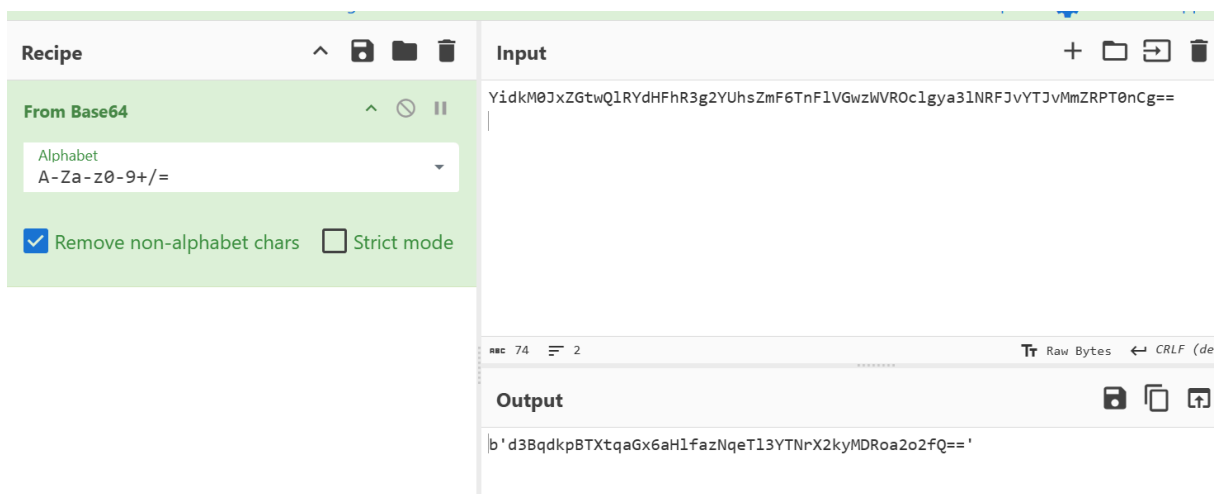
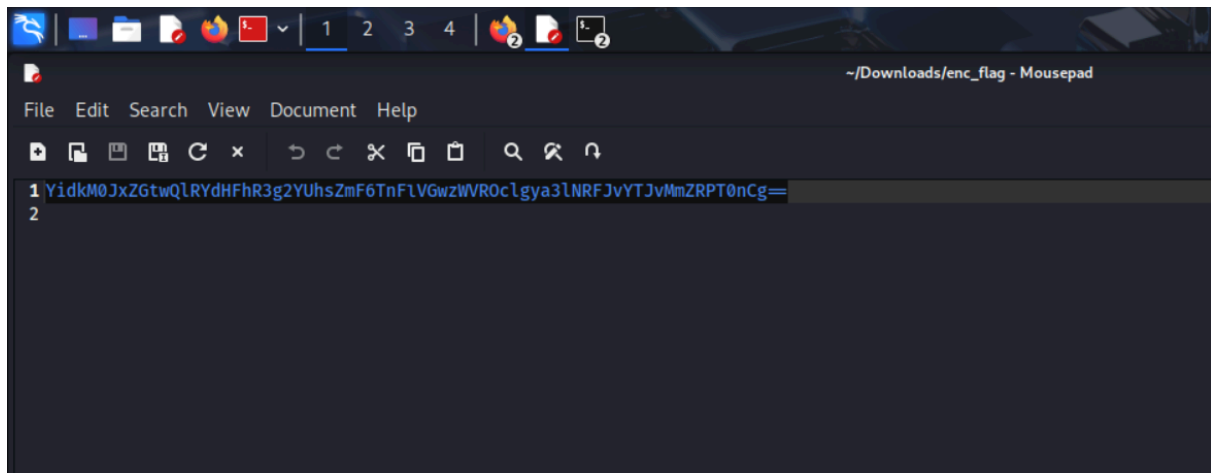
### Description

Can you get the real meaning from this file. Download the file [here](#).

[here](#)

Hints:

Engaging in various decoding processes is of utmost importance



- **From Base64** (twice pehle hi kar liya)
- **ROT13 / Caesar Cipher** → Operation: **ROT-N**
  - Shift: **7**
  - Direction: **Decode (left shift)**

Base64 is a notation for encoding arbitrary byte data using a restricted set of symbols that can be conveniently used by humans and processed by computers.

This operation decodes data

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om an ASCII Base64 string back into its raw format.

e.g.

aGVsbG8=

becomes

hello



# EVEN RSA CAN BE BROKEN???

Author: Michael Crotty

## Description

This service provides you an encrypted flag. Can you decrypt it with just N & e? Connect to the program with netcat: `$ nc verbal-sleep.picoctf.net 51569` The program's source code can be downloaded [here](#).

[here](#)

```
from sys import exit
from Crypto.Util.number import bytes_to_long, inverse
from setup import get_primes
```

```
e = 65537
```

```
def gen_key(k):
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    """
```

```
    Generates RSA key with k bits
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    """
```

```
    p,q = get_primes(k//2)
```

```
    N = pq
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    d = inverse(e, (p-1)(q-1))
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```
    return ((N,e), d)
```

```
def encrypt(pubkey, m):
```

```
    N,e = pubkey
```

```
    return pow(bytes_to_long(m.encode('utf-8')), e, N)
```

```
def main(flag):
```

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    pubkey, _privkey = gen_key(1024)
```

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    encrypted = encrypt(pubkey, flag)
```

```
    return (pubkey[0], encrypted)
```

```
if name == "main":
```

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    flag = open('flag.txt', 'r').read()
```

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    flag = flag.strip()
```

```
    N, cypher = main(flag)
```

```
    print("N:", N)
```



```
print("e:", e)
print("cyphertext:", cypher)
exit()
```

## What I did (short)

1. Factored NNN. It turned out to be even, so the factors are:

```
p = 2
q = 118576772603522083841171699868170867000266472929674863062
89574907679320430566457558281627223560018290455854076615029
016653405210492821320539247842887887409
```

1. Computed  $\varphi(N) = (p-1)(q-1) = q-1$   $\varphi(N) = (p-1)(q-1) = q-1$   $\varphi(N) = (p-1)(q-1) = q-1$ , then  $d = e^{-1} \varphi(N) = e^{-1} \varphi(N) = e^{-1} \varphi(N)$ .
2. Decrypted  $m = c^d \bmod N$  and converted to bytes → got the flag above.

Python script you can run locally to reproduce the decryption:

```
from Crypto.Util.number import long_to_bytes, inverse

# Given values
N = 23715354520704416768234339973634173400053294585934972612
5791498153586408611329151165632544471200365809117081532300580
33306810420985652641078495677185774818
e = 65537
c = 88699244209262762498034960277943352377944176919384117730
052642521391162595511706944895802554964813994142192603910477
87953937157003005276166415893293283855

# Factors of N
p = 2
q = N // p

# Euler totient
phi = (p - 1) * (q - 1)
```

```
# Private exponent
d = inverse(e, phi)

# Decrypt
m = pow(c, d, N)

# Convert to bytes
flag = long_to_bytes(m)
print(flag.decode())
```

👉 This should output:

```
picoCTF{tw0_1$_pr!m3df98b648}
```

## rotation

Author: Loic Shema

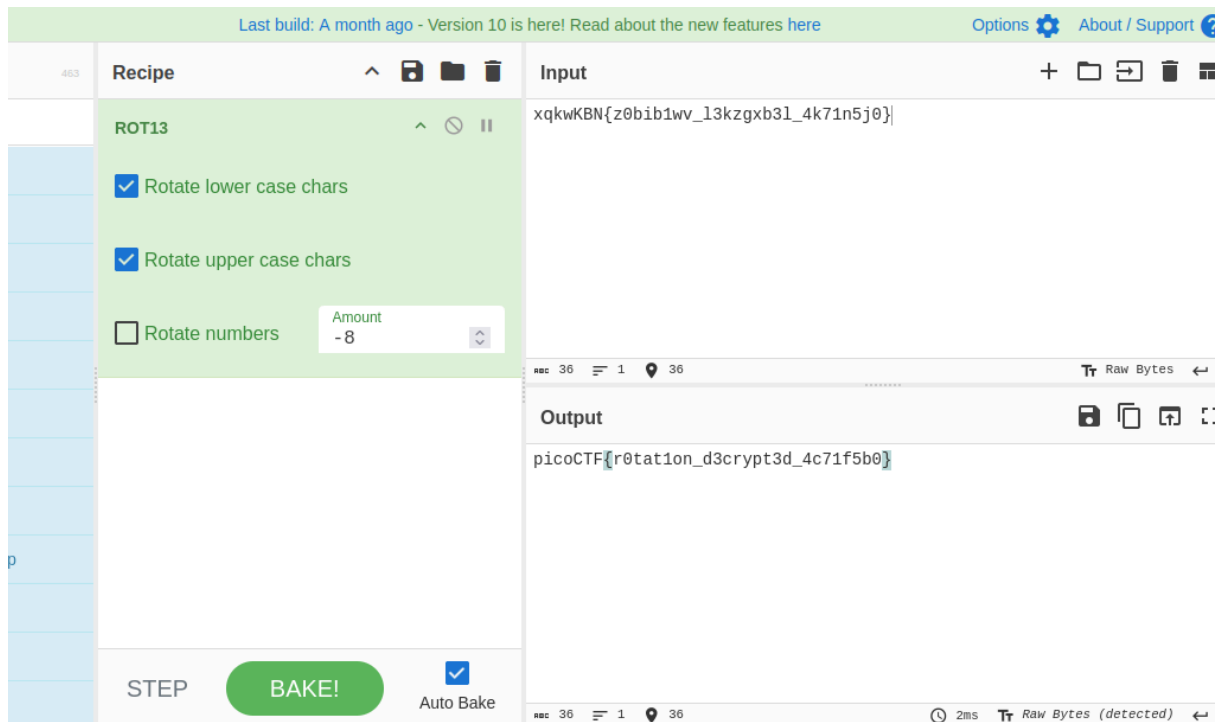
### Description

You will find the flag after decrypting this file  
Download the encrypted flag [here](#).

[here](#)

### Hints

Sometimes rotation is right



## caesar

Author: Sanjay C/Daniel Tunitis

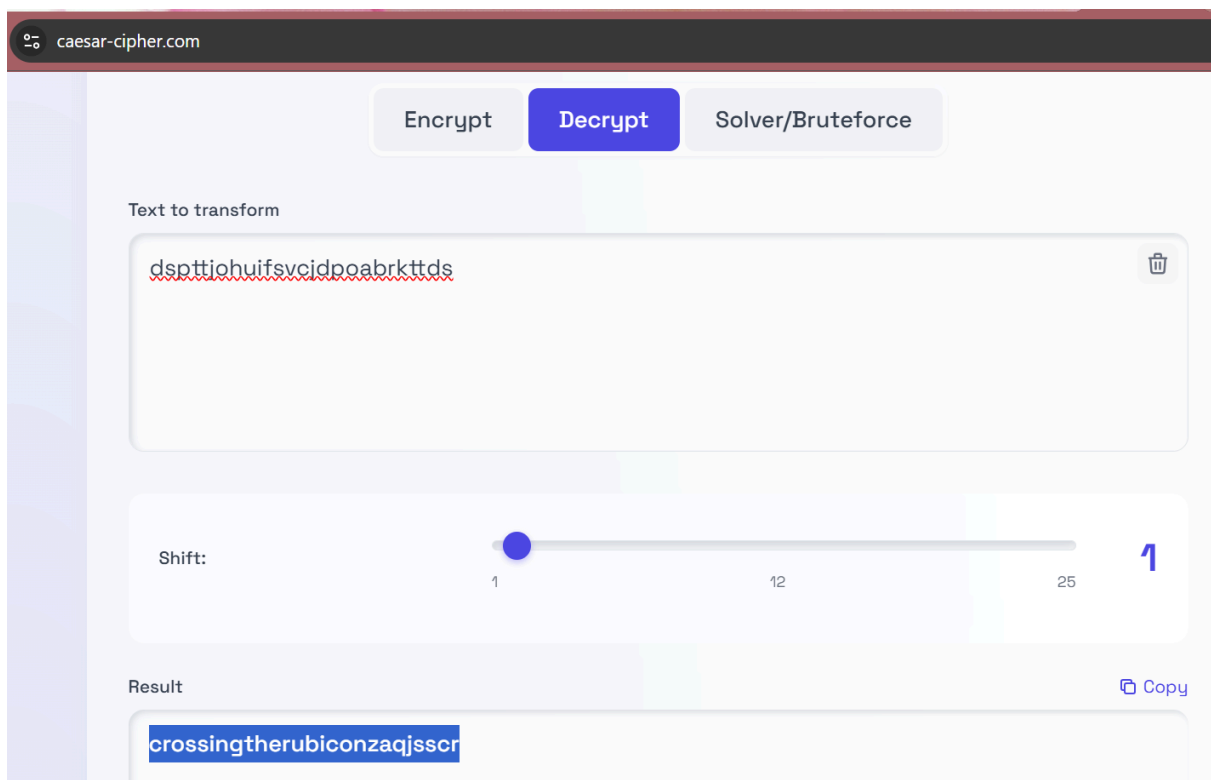
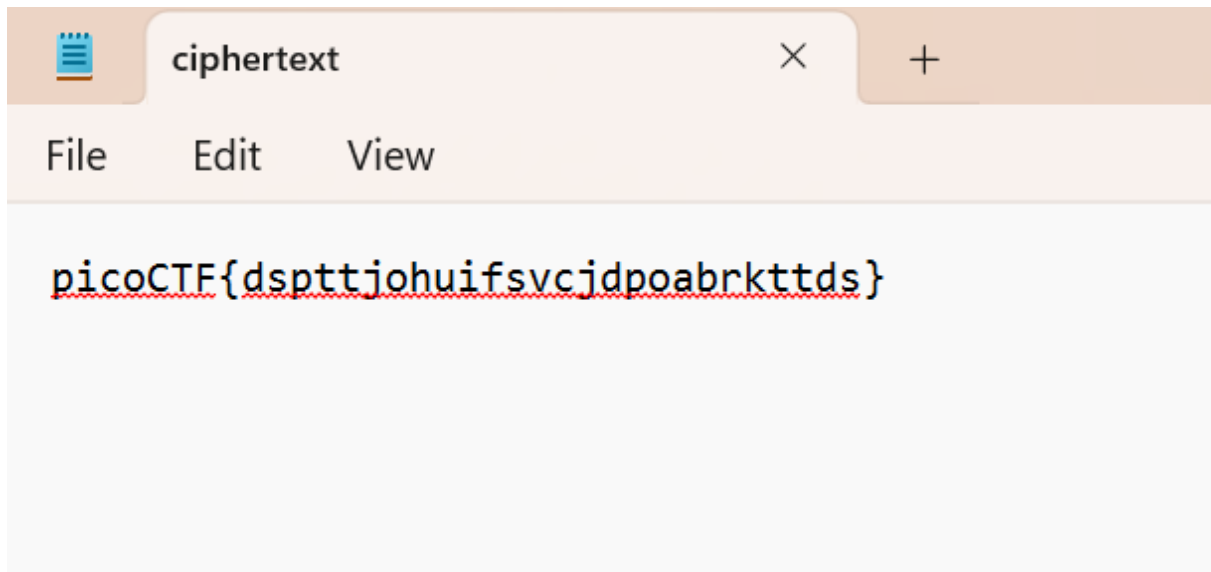
## Description

Decrypt this message.

*debug info: [u:880571 e: p: c:64 i:153]*

## Hints

caesar cipher tutorial



so the flag is

picoCTF{**crossingtherubiconzaqjsscr**}