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# Simple Encryption

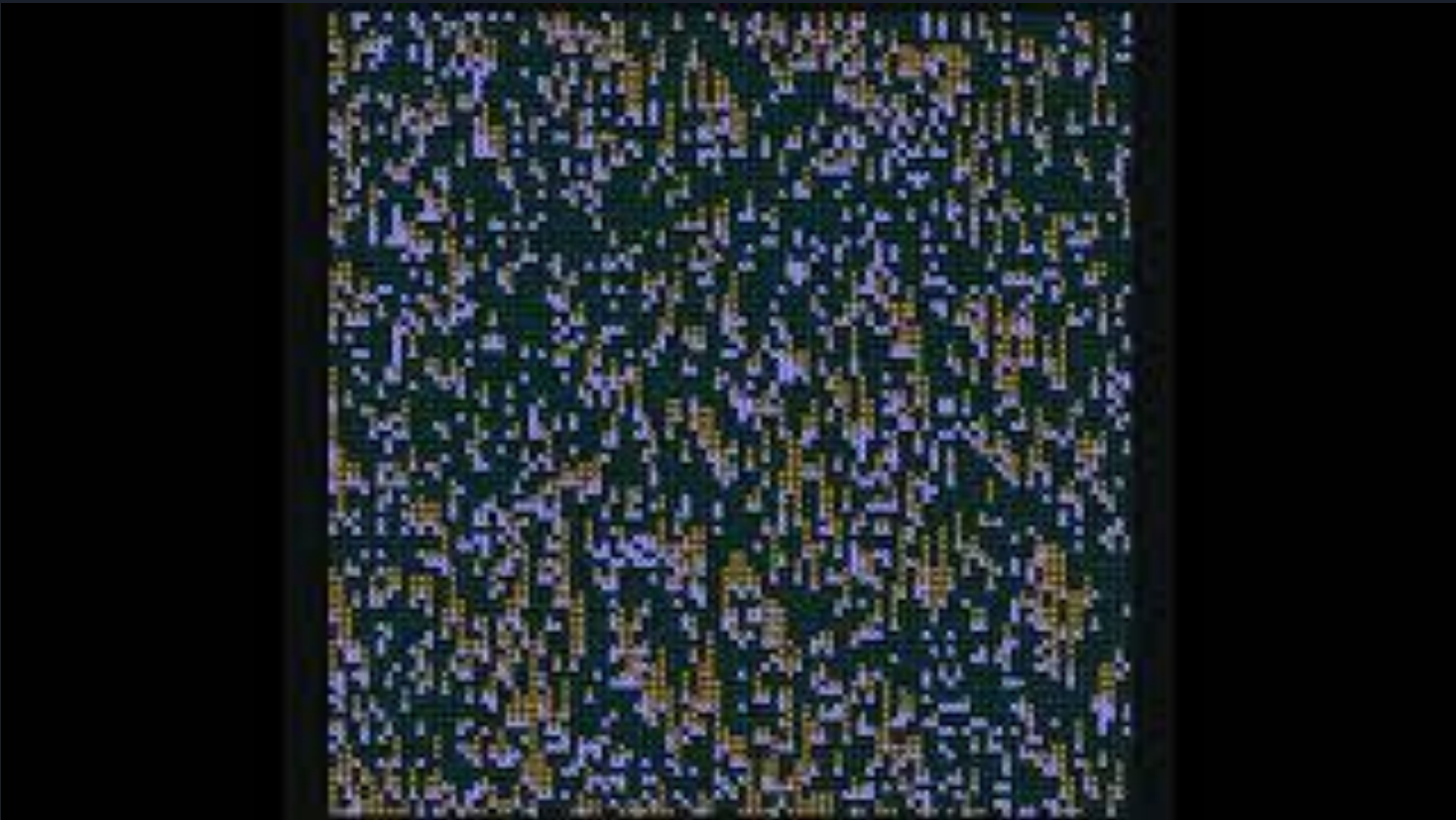
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Hashes and OTP



# Quick Overview

- Fun Stuff
- Bitwise Operators

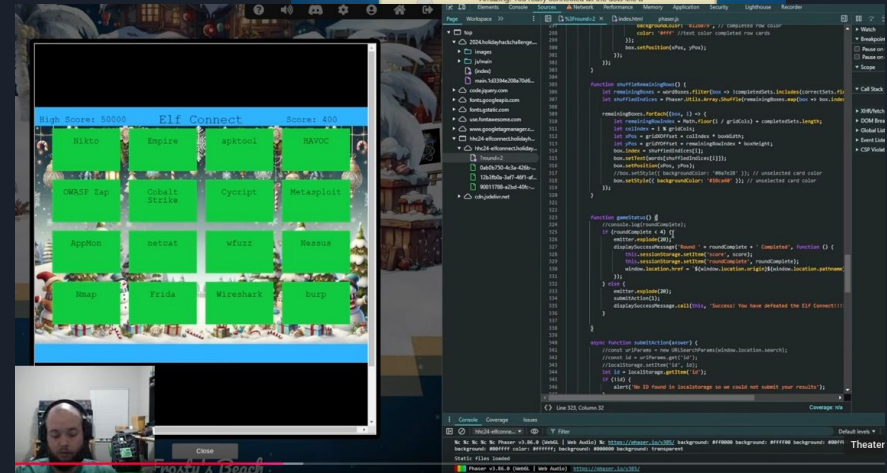
# Advent of Code



# SANS Holiday Hack

## Challenge Topics

- Ransomware Reverse Engineering
- Hardware Hackings
- Web App Hacking
- Video Game Hacking
- Threat Hunting
- SIM/SEM Analysis
- OSINT via Drone Path Analysis
- Web Exploration with cURL
- PowerShell for Cyber Defense



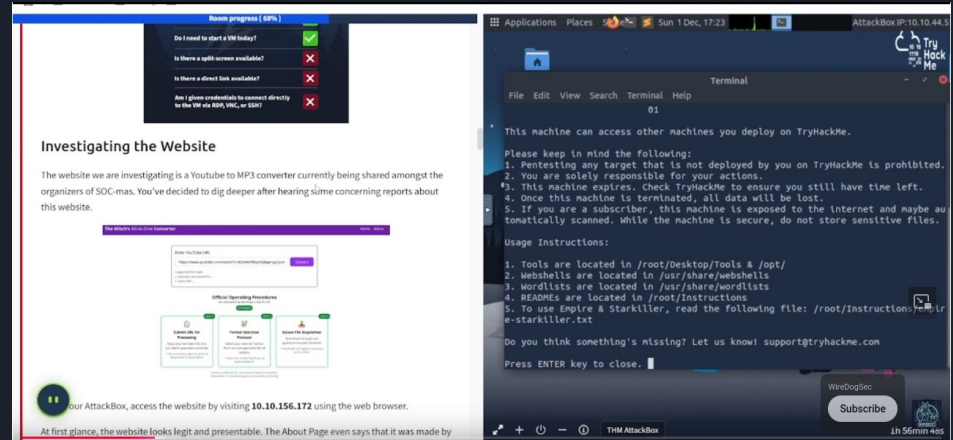
# Advent of Cyber

From TryHackMe

“Guided walkthrough” style chals

Prizes (\$100K worth) to random users who complete chals

Certificate of completion



# Humble Bundles

No Starch Bundle





# Hash Function

- Mapping a chunk of data (any size) to a single fixed-size value (hash digest)
- Example (using MD5 hash function) of 5 byte word

```
echo -n "hello" | md5sum -
5d41402abc4b2a76b9719d911017c592 -
```

  - echo with -n option won't output trailing newline
  - md5sum with a - means hash the std input
- Example (using sha256 hash function) on 3.5GB file

```
mwales@Metroid:~/ISOs$ sha256sum ubuntu-mate-22.04.3-desktop-amd64.iso
d84cd3eb7732fbb39...9261fc4c7b756e42a55  ubuntu-mate-22.04.3-desktop-amd64.iso
```
- Digest of MD5 is 128-bit value (32 hexadecimal characters)
- Digest of SHA256 is 256-bits (64 hexadecimal characters)



# Super Simple Hashing Function

```
$ cat ./simple_hash.py
#!/usr/bin/env python3

import sys

inputData = sys.stdin.read()

hashVal = 0
for curChar in inputData:
    hashVal += ord(curChar)

print(f"Hash = {hashVal}")

$ echo -n "Hello" | ./simple_hash.py
Hash = 500
```





# Problem with simple hash

- Hash Collisions
  - “Bob” =  $66 + 111 + 98 = 275$
  - “Jed” =  $74 + 101 + 100 = 275$
- Somewhat reversible...
  - What name for hash of 279....
  - Lets just add 4 to one of the characters from before
  - ‘J’ + 4 = ‘N’
  - So 279 might be “Ned”

Data	Simple Hash Value	MD5 Hash
Bob	275	2fc1c0beb992cd7096975cfebf9d5c3b
Jed	275	1ba58ce522de9f9977082ba2f4cae1ee
Ned	279	07d6265486b22356362387c5a098ba7d



# Hash-Function Properties

- One-way function
  - Can't easily work backwards from a hash digest to the original data
- Easy to compute / fast
- Collision - free
  - Digest value should appear very random / unpredictable
  - 1-bit change in data, should change about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the bits of the digest
  - Hash has to be long enough to prevent digests easily all being used up
    - Don't use hash function with 16-bit output digest

# Complexity of Modern Hash Functions

- Example to the right is MD4
  - Obsolete for a long time, simplest of hashes that were once considered cryptographically strong
- Don't reinvent the wheel, use existing hash libraries
  - Similar advice to cryptographic libraries and functions

Translation of: Ruby

```
import std.stdio, std.string, std.range;

ubyte[16] md4(const(ubyte[]) inData) pure nothrow {
    enum f = (uint x, uint y, uint z) => (x & y) | (~x & z);
    enum g = (uint x, uint y, uint z) => (x & y) | (x & z) | (y & z);
    enum h = (uint x, uint y, uint z) => x ^ y ^ z;
    enum r = (uint v, uint s) => (v << s) | (v >> (32 - s));

    immutable bitLen = ulong(inData.length) << 3;
    inData ~= 0x80;
    while (inData.length % 64 != 56)
        inData ~= 0;
    const data = cast(uint[])inData ~ [uint(bitLen & uint.max), uint(bitLen >> 32)];

    uint a = 0x67452301, b = 0xefcdab89, c = 0x98badcfe, d = 0x10325476;

    foreach (const x; data.chunks(16)) {
        immutable a2 = a, b2 = b, c2 = c, d2 = d;
        foreach (immutable i; [0, 4, 8, 12]) {
            a = r(a + f(b, c, d) + x[i+0], 3);
            d = r(d + f(a, b, c) + x[i+1], 7);
            c = r(c + f(d, a, b) + x[i+2], 11);
            b = r(b + f(c, d, a) + x[i+3], 19);
        }
        foreach (immutable i; [0, 1, 2, 3]) {
            a = r(a + g(b, c, d) + x[i+0] + 0x5a827999, 3);
            d = r(d + g(a, b, c) + x[i+4] + 0x5a827999, 5);
            c = r(c + g(d, a, b) + x[i+8] + 0x5a827999, 9);
            b = r(b + g(c, d, a) + x[i+12] + 0x5a827999, 13);
        }
        foreach (immutable i; [0, 2, 1, 3]) {
            a = r(a + h(b, c, d) + x[i+0] + 0x6ed9eba1, 3);
            d = r(d + h(a, b, c) + x[i+8] + 0x6ed9eba1, 9);
            c = r(c + h(d, a, b) + x[i+4] + 0x6ed9eba1, 11);
            b = r(b + h(c, d, a) + x[i+12] + 0x6ed9eba1, 15);
        }
        a += a2, b += b2, c += c2, d += d2;
    }

    //return cast(ubyte[16])[a, b, c, d];
    immutable uint[4] result = [a, b, c, d];
    return cast(ubyte[16])result;
}
```

# XOR - Exclusive OR

Exclusive-OR gate



A	B	Output
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Bitwise XOR <sup>^</sup> [\[ edit \]](#)

bit a	bit b	a ^ b (a XOR b)
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

```
11001000
^ 10111000
-----
= 01110000
```





# Fun with XOR

$$A \oplus 0 = A,$$

$$A \oplus A = 0,$$

$$A \oplus B = B \oplus A,$$

$$(A \oplus B) \oplus C = A \oplus (B \oplus C),$$

$$(B \oplus A) \oplus A = B \oplus 0 = B,$$

# Simple XOR Encryption

## Example [\[edit\]](#)

The string "Wiki" (01010111 01101001 01101011 01101001 in 8-bit [ASCII](#)) as follows:

$$\begin{array}{r} 01010111 \ 01101001 \ 01101011 \ 01101001 \\ \oplus 11110011 \ 11110011 \ 11110011 \ 11110011 \\ \hline = 10100100 \ 10011010 \ 10011000 \ 10011010 \end{array}$$

And conversely, for decryption:

$$\begin{array}{r} 10100100 \ 10011010 \ 10011000 \ 10011010 \\ \oplus 11110011 \ 11110011 \ 11110011 \ 11110011 \\ \hline = 01010111 \ 01101001 \ 01101011 \ 01101001 \end{array}$$

# judge.py

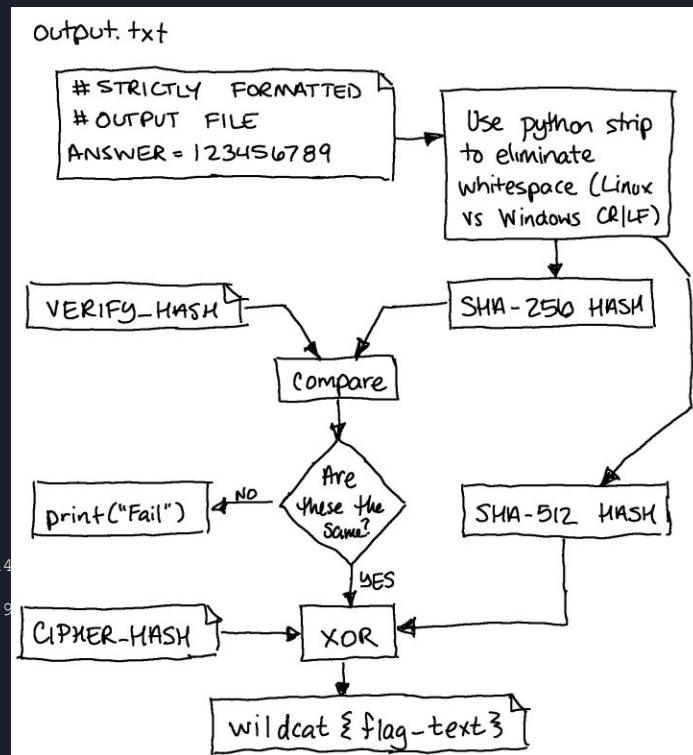
```
astronomer|moonstarer = ANAGRAM
cryptography|catyprogram = NOT AN ANAGRAM
west shore|horse stew = ANAGRAM
gameboy pokemon|moneybag cards = NOT AN ANAGRAM
hot sewers|west shore = ANAGRAM
atelescope|toseeplace = ANAGRAM
westernunion|nowireunsent = ANAGRAM
statueofliberty|builttostayfree = ANAGRAM
debit card|bad credit = ANAGRAM
florida gators|golf radiators = ANAGRAM
```

```
$ cat chal.txt | ./solve.py | ./judge.py
Congrats!
wildcat{mixed_up_letters|deer_mutt_pixels}
```

```
$ head judge.py
#!/usr/bin/env python3
```

```
import sys, hashlib, binascii
```

```
VERIFY_HASH = b"474a1422dbc01160342a91b812bcdcf8335a4327c8982c627d18b70718a4
CIPHER_HASH =
b"0d5687f336f7b8c6f74b63fc199970ebe03e02132096da800c543cd4fbff1a18e06af4f49
614317ba80"
```





# Attributions

- <https://computerengineeringforbabies.com/blogs/engineering/xor-gate>
- <https://www.allaboutcircuits.com/textbook/digital/chpt-3/multiple-input-gates/>
- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bitwise\\_operations\\_in\\_C](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bitwise_operations_in_C)
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