Week 1: Introduction to Cryptography

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Dan Kammen's resignation letter



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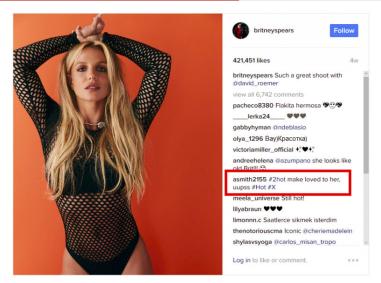
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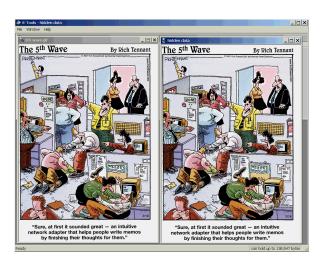
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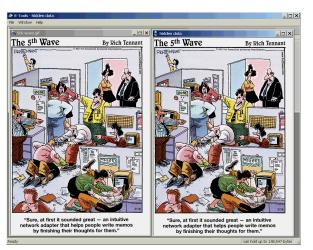
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Dan Kammen's resignation letter with a hidden message



Russian hackers controlling their botnets Screenshot by ESET





The picture on the right contains 14 kb of hidden text content. http://www.garykessler.net/library/steganography.html

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MY HOBBY: FOLLOWING FIELD BIOLOGISTS AROUND AND INTERPRETING EVERYTHING THEY SAY AS CODE PHRASES.

https://xkcd.com/733/



Japanese code book from 1941 Bletchley Park

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Each five-digit string corresponds to a word, but there is no pattern.

Alice wants to communicate securely with Bob.

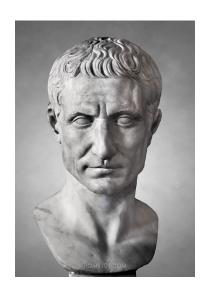
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A Caesar Cipher Example

Plaintext ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ Ciphertext XYZABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVW



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TFQE X PEFCQ LC QEOBB WITH A SHIFT OF THREE









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6	ICA	13	PJH	20	WQO		

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0	CWUHLY	7	JDBOSF	14	QKIVZM	21	XRPCGT
1	DXVIMZ	8	KECPTG	15	RLJWAN	22	YSQDHU
2	EYWJNA	9	LFDQUH	16	SMKXBO	23	ZTREIV
3	FZXKOB	10	MGERVI	17	TNLYCP	24	AUSFJW
4	GAYLPC	11	NHFSWJ	18	UOMZDQ	25	BVTGKX
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ICA NRE ADT HIS CAN YOU I can read this. Can you?

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How many possible keys? 26!

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How many possible keys? $26! = 403,291,461,126,605,635,584,000,000 \approx 4 \times 10^{26}$

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Not as secure as this looks, because of statistical properties of English.

The Vigenère Cipher



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To decrypt, generate the keystream as before, and then subtract it from the ciphertext to get the plaintext.

Plaintext | I L O V E C R Y P T O L O G Y

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Suppose our key "word" is 10010011

Then keystream is

Plaintext | I L O V E C R Y P T O L O G Y Keystream M A T H I L O V E C R Y P T O

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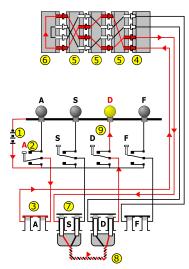
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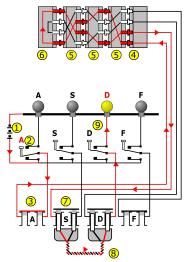
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The Enigma Machine



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Simplified Enigma wiring diagram. Looks complicated, but is just a complicated autokey algorithm.

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Most cryptography in use today uses other principles, which we will discuss later on in the course.