

Outline for May 8, 2003

1. What is a cryptosystem?
 - a. $(M, C, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{E})$
 - b. Attacks: known ciphertext, known plaintext, chosen plaintext
2. Transposition ciphers
 - a. Show rail-fence cipher as example
 - b. Show anagramming
3. Simple substitution ciphers
 - a. Do Caesar cipher
 - b. Present Vigenère tableau
 - c. Discuss breaking it (Kasiski method).
 - d. Go through one-time pads
4. DES
 - a. Product cipher with 64 bits in, 64 bits out, and 16 48-bit round keys generated from 56 bit key
 - b. Note S-boxes are real heart of algorithm
 - c. Differential cryptanalysis: first version unusable as at 16 rounds, more plaintext/ciphertext pairs needed than exhaustive key trial; but for 15 rounds, cuts this time. Later versions cut it to 2^{47} tries. Works by comparing xors of results with xors of corresponding plaintext. Designers of DES knew about this one, hence the design of the S-boxes
 - d. Linear cryptanalysis drops required chosen plaintext/ciphertext pairs to 2^{42} ; not known to designers of DES.
 - e. Triple DES and EDE mode
5. Public Key
 - a. Requirements
 - i. computationally easy to encipher, decipher
 - ii. computationally infeasible to get private key from public
 - iii. chosen plaintext attack computationally infeasible
 - b. based on NP-hard problems (knapsack)
 - c. based on hard mathematical problems (like factoring)
6. Do RSA
 - a. Exponentiation cipher: $C = M^e \bmod n$, $M = C^d \bmod n$; d is private key, (e, n) is public key; must choose d first, then e so that $ed \bmod \phi(n) = 1$.
 - b. Example: $p = 5$, $q = 7$, $n = 35$, $\phi(n) = 24$; choose $e = 11$, then $d = 11$. HELLO WORLD is 07 04 11 11 14 22 14 17 11 03; enciphering is $C = 07^{11} \bmod 35 = 28$, etc. so encipherment is 28 09 16 16 14 08 14 33 16 12.
 - c. Problems: rearrangement of blocks (“is the attack on?” NO vs. ON); precomputation of possible answers