

CSCI 476: Computer Security

Secret Key Encryption/Symmetric Cryptography

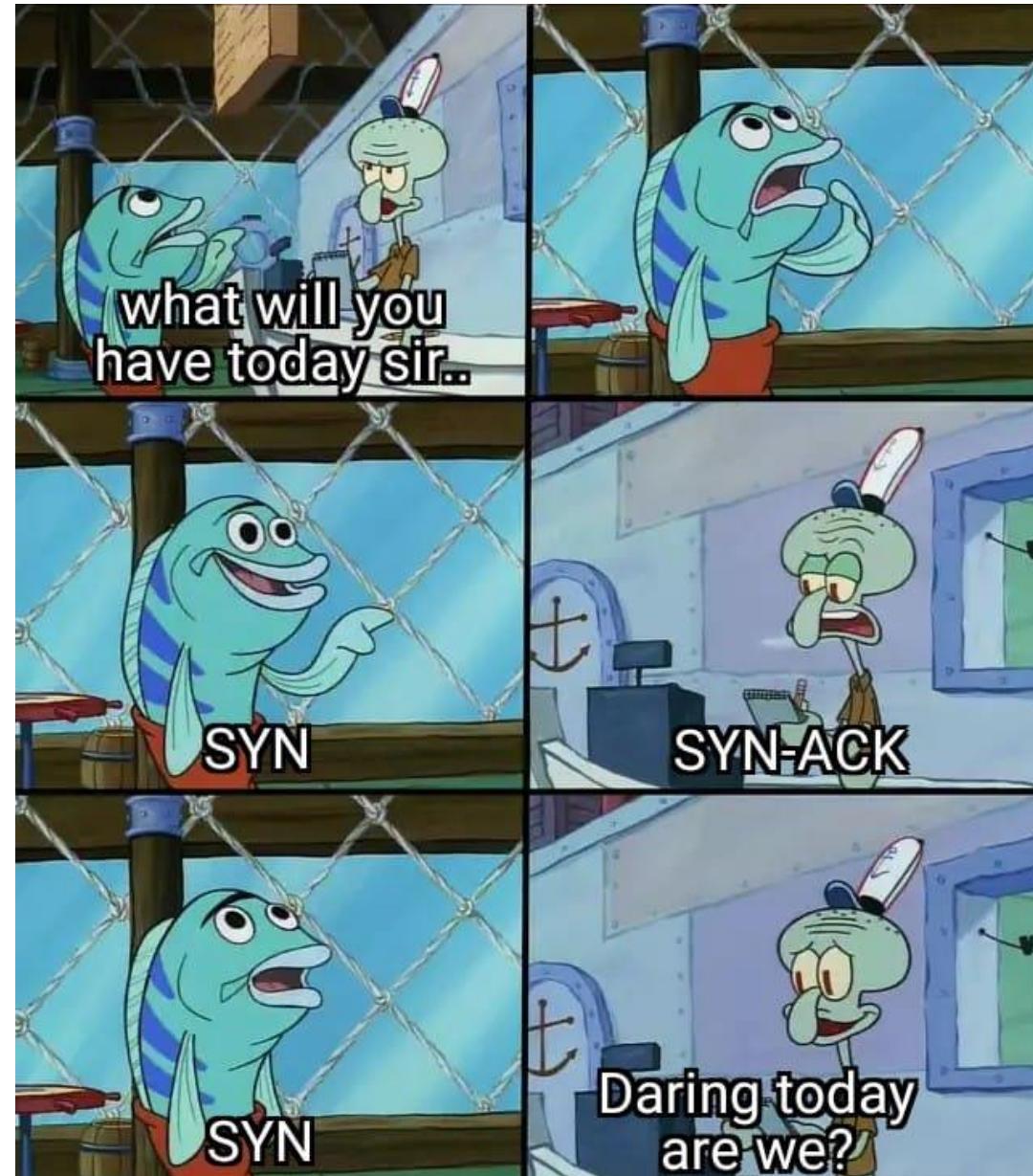
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Fall 2022

Announcement

Lab 7 (TCP attacks) Due
Thursday November 10th
→ Sounds like we have some issues with the C
program

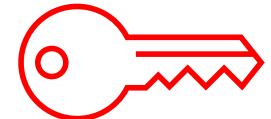
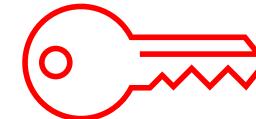
No class on Tuesday next week
(11/8) (go vote)

Grading rubric now on project
instructions webpage

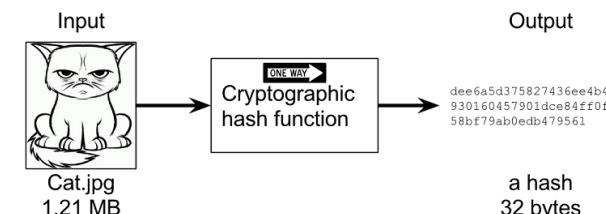


Crypto Roadmap

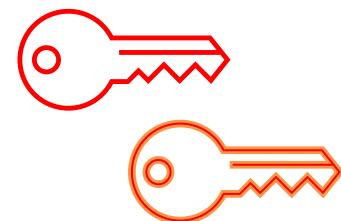
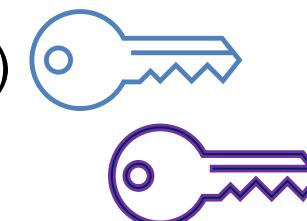
- Secret-Key Encryption (a.k.a Symmetric Key Encryption)



- Cryptographic Hash Functions



- Public-Key Encryption (a.k.a Asymmetric Key Encryption)

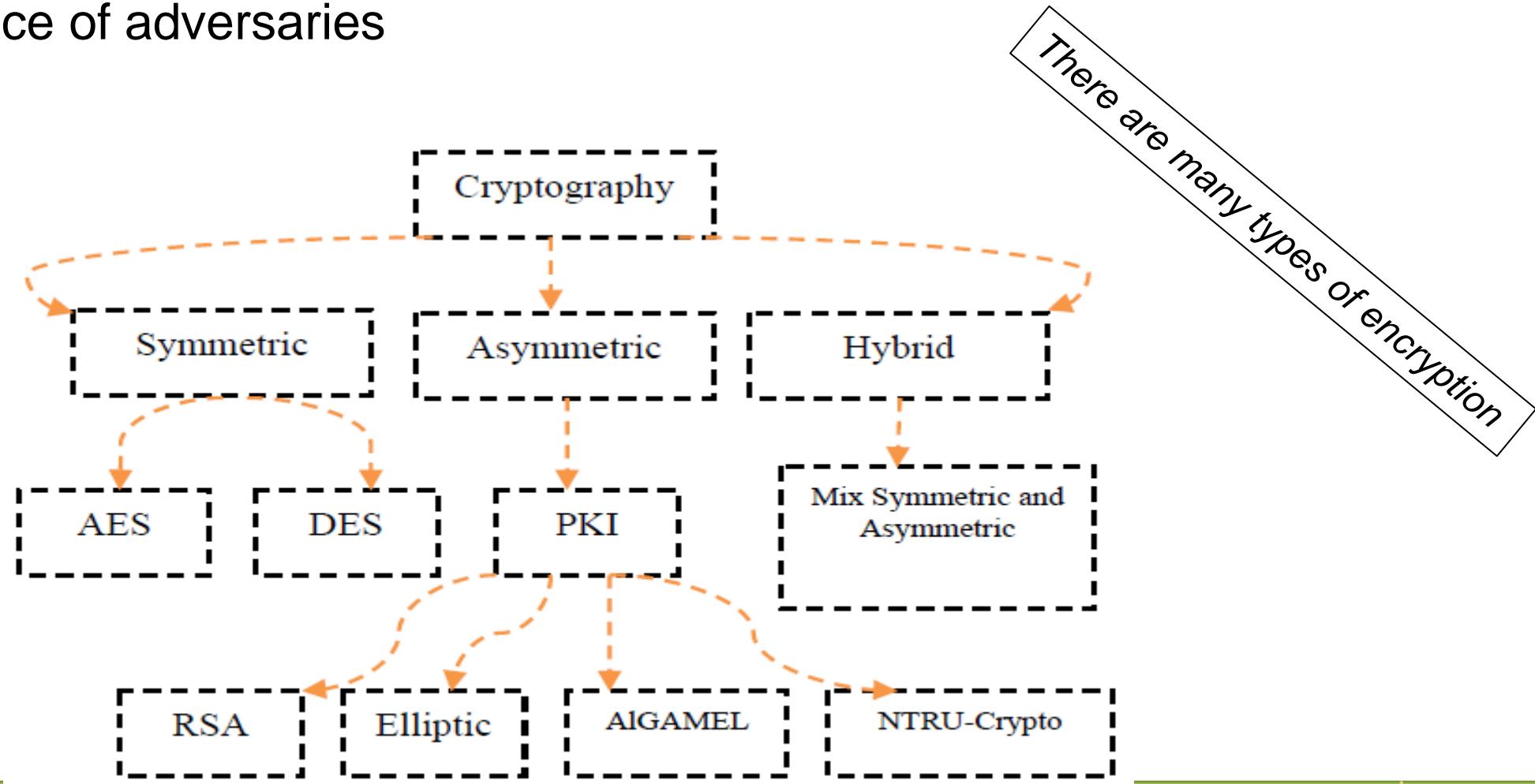


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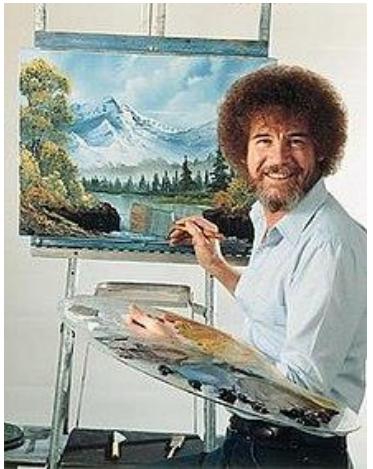
Information Security

- The protection of information and information systems

Cryptography is the practice and study of techniques for securing communications and data in the presence of adversaries



Bob



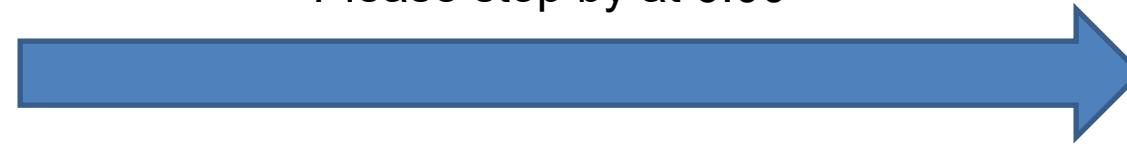
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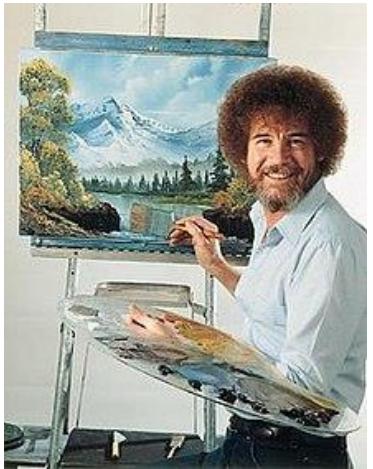
Alice



Over a wire, wirelessly, via a Pigeon etc



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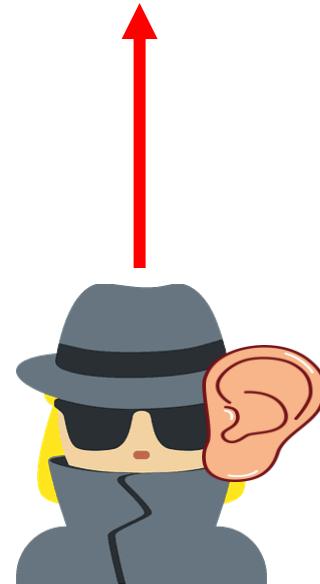


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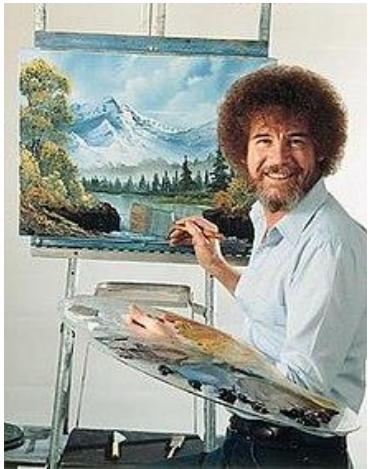


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Eve

Bob

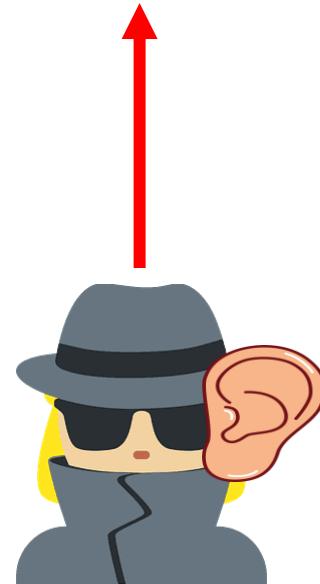


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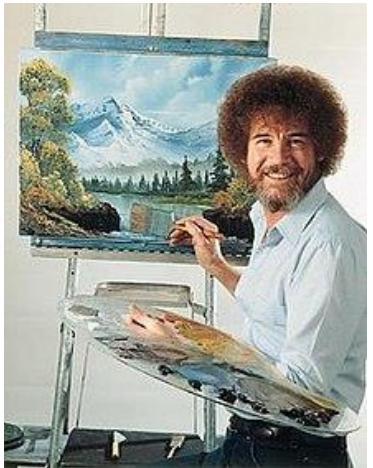
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Our goal is to make sure Alice can receive our message securely, and our original message cannot be intercepted

Bob

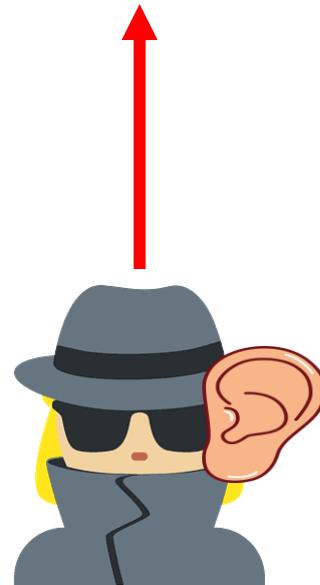


Alice



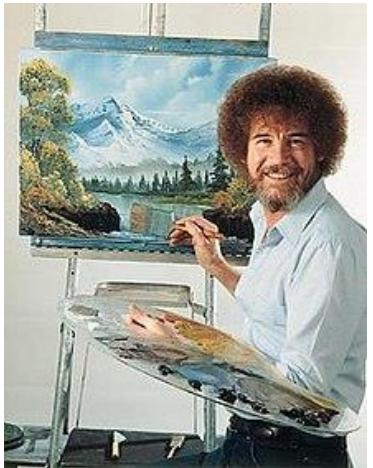
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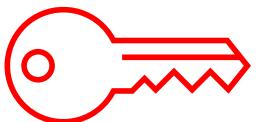


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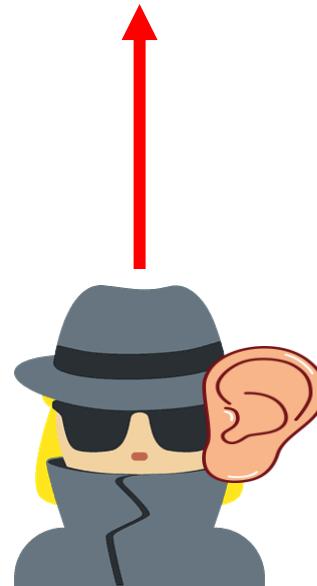
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Bob **encrypts** his message with a **key**

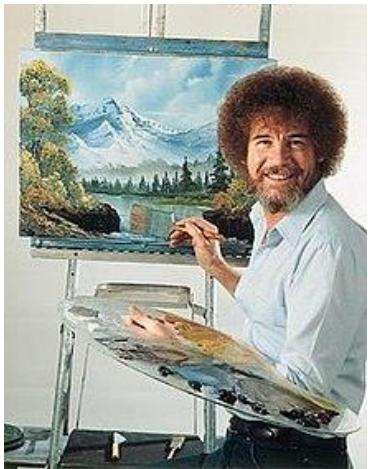
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25Xkf7QrhAGR3FF



Eve

The result is a
ciphertext

Bob



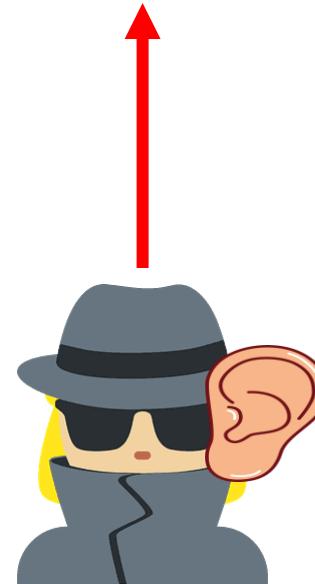
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Alice



Cleartext/Plaintext

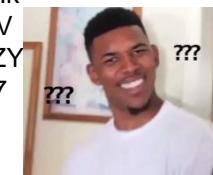
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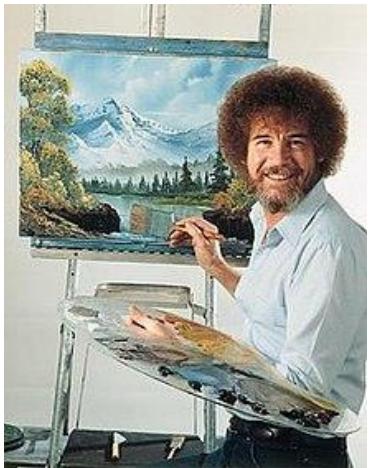
Eve

If Eve intercepts our ciphertext,
she can't do very much with it

MuYGoP5LiTTGPVX6U/r2VTpx
PSqTFmy5nsoFWURThKMhHk
/7tbjYsS2EJ917q7megTAcV+V
4ZMIU4HjJjiW2DCBroxvJ0V3ZY
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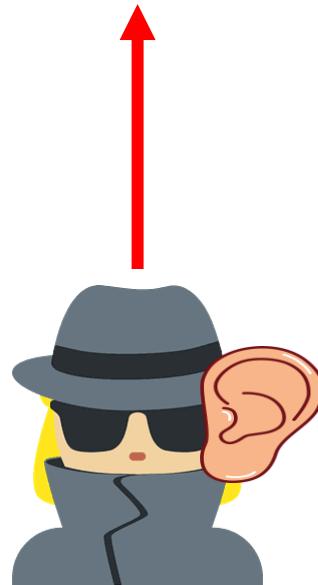
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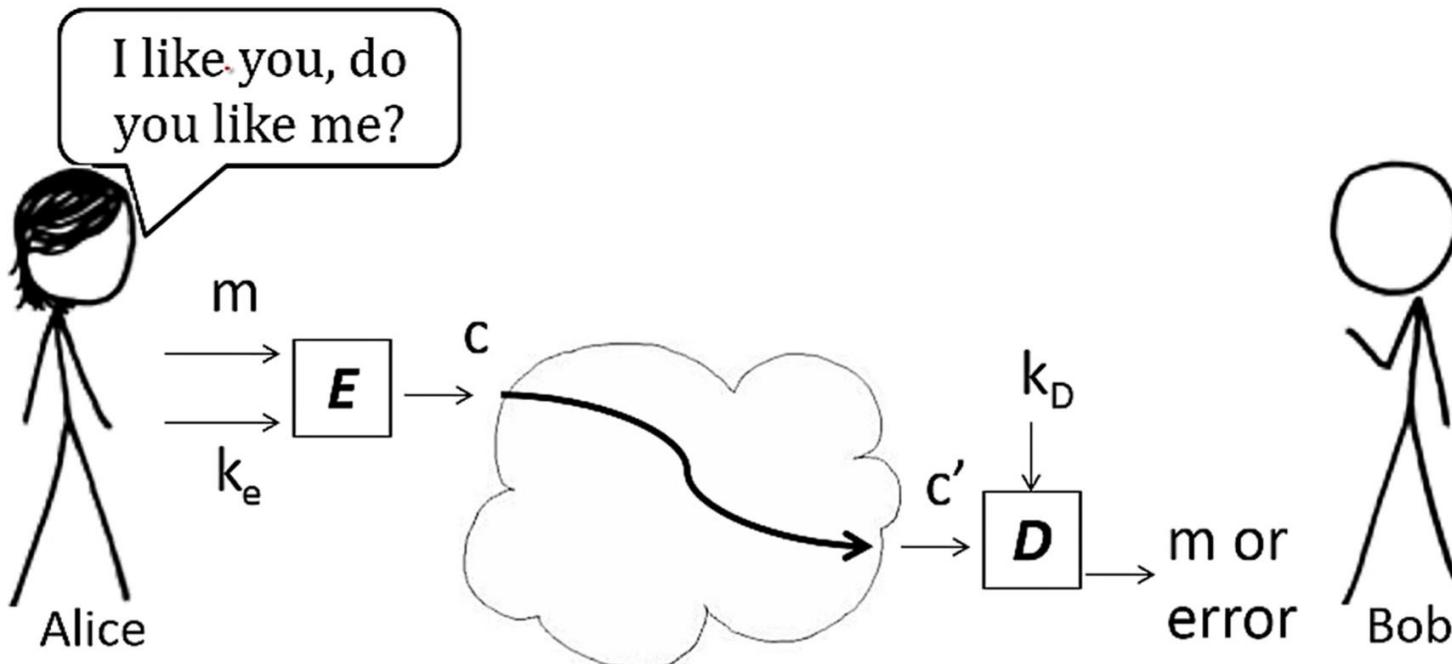
Eve

Alice receives the ciphertext, and then uses the **same key** that bob used, and then **decrypts** the ciphertext

MuYGoP5LiTTGPVX6U/r2
VTpxPSqTFmy5nsoFWUR
ThKMhHk/7tbjYsS2EJ917
q7megTAcV+V4ZMU4HjJji
W2DCBroxvJ0V3ZYDgZ8
B9IUvGUmdiRMH25Xkf7
QrhAGR3FF



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Cryptosystem

m : Plaintext

c : Ciphertext

k_e : Encryption Key

E : Encryption Program

k_d : Decryption Key

D : Decryption Program

The importance here is that the **keys** used for encryption/decryption are secret (ie not public knowledge)

The innerworkings of the encryption/decryption program is public knowledge though

Deterministic programs*

Secure cryptography is the foundation for our secure communications in the cyber world (HTTPS, SSH, etc)

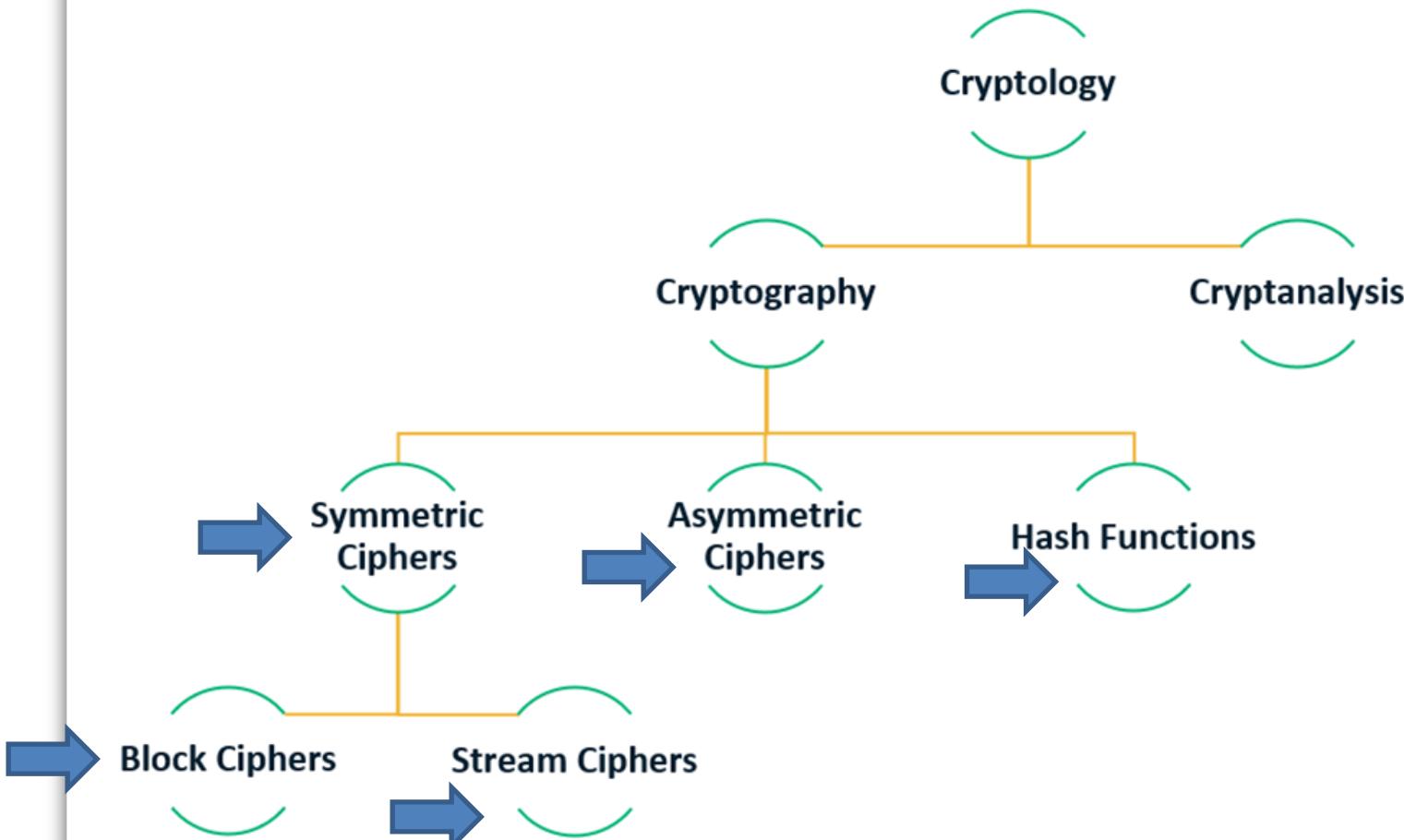
The encryption algorithms are typically rooted in **very difficult problems** in computing (ie there does not exist a program that can efficiently break RSA **YET**)

There are very intense proofs and prove the secureness of the encryption procedures we use today

Never try to roll out your own cryptography scheme, and never use the built-in RNG for secure communications (import random)



Cryptology vs Cryptography



Early cryptography techniques

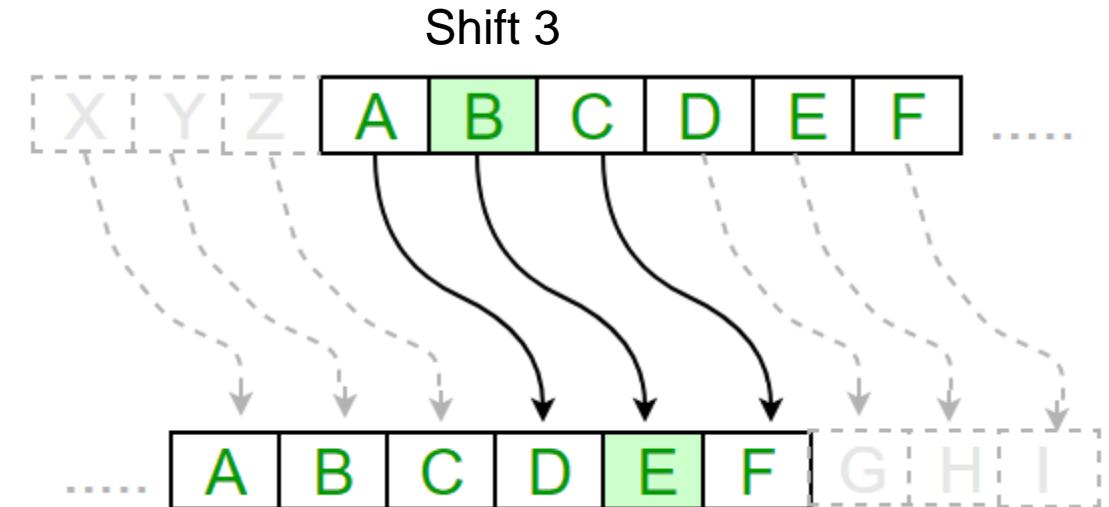
Caesar Cipher- letters in the plaintext will be replaced by some fixed number of positions down in the alphabet.

hello there world my name is reese



khoor wkhuh zruog pb
qdph lv uhhvh

ciphertext



Nifty, but we have the technology to brute force 26 possible shifts

Substitution Cipher

Letters in plaintext are substituted by another letter

E → X

R → Z

REESE = ZXXSX

Monolithic Substitution Cipher – Same “rules” are applied throughout the entire plaintext

Polyalphabetic Substitution Cipher – different “rules” are applied throughout the plaintext



keyword: KEYWORD
plain text: ALKINDI
ciphertext: K

Here is a ciphertext (cipher.txt)

```
ydq ufyiqoobxrk lrcqx yqoy fo r kwgyfoyrbq rxepfc crlrcfyt yqoy ydry lxebxqoofvqgt bqyo kexq  
mfuuufcwgy ro fy ceiyfiwqo. ydq ysqiyt kqyqx lrcqx yqoy sfgg pqbfi fi ydfxyt oqceimo. gfiq wl ry ydq  
oyrxy. ydq xwiifib olqqm oyrxyo ogesgt, pwy bqyo uroyqx qrcd kfiwyq ruyqx tew dqrq ydfo ofbirg pqql r  
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yqoy fo evqx. ydq yqoy sfgg pqbfi ei ydq sexm oyrxy. ei tewx krxj, bqy xqrmt, oyrxy.]
```

Suppose we know that that this message is an english message encrypted with a monolithic substitution cipher

Can we crack this?

Here is a ciphertext (cipher.txt)

```
ydq ufyiqoobxrk lrcqx yqoy fo r kwgyfoyrbq rqxepfc crlrcfyt yqoy ydry lxebxqoofvqgt bqyo kexq  
mfuuufcwgy ro fy ceiyfiwqo. ydq ysqiyt kqyqx lrcqx yqoy sfgg pqbfi fi ydfxyt oqceimo. gfiq wl ry ydq  
oyrxy. ydq xwiifib olqqm oyrxyo ogesgt, pwy bqyo uroyqx qrcd kfiwyq ruyqx tew dqrq ydfo ofbirg pqql r  
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yqoy fo evqx. ydq yqoy sfgg pqbfi ei ydq sexm oyrxy. ei tewx krxj, bqy xqrmt, oyrxy.|
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Frequency Analysis leverages the fact that in any given written language, certain letters and combinations occur more frequently than others

In English, T, A , I, and O are the most common letters, so it is likely the letters that appear the most frequently in our ciphertext are one of those

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mfuuucwgy ro fy ceiyfiwqa. ydq ysqiyt kqyax lrcqx yqoy sfgg pbqfi fi ydfxyt oqeimo. gfiq wl ry ydq  
oyrxy. ydq xwiifib olqqm oyryxo ogesgt, pwy bqyo uroyxz qrcd kfwiyyq tew dqrz ydfo ofbirg pqql r  
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We can write a program that counts the frequency of characters (1-gram) and frequency of character pairs (2-gram)

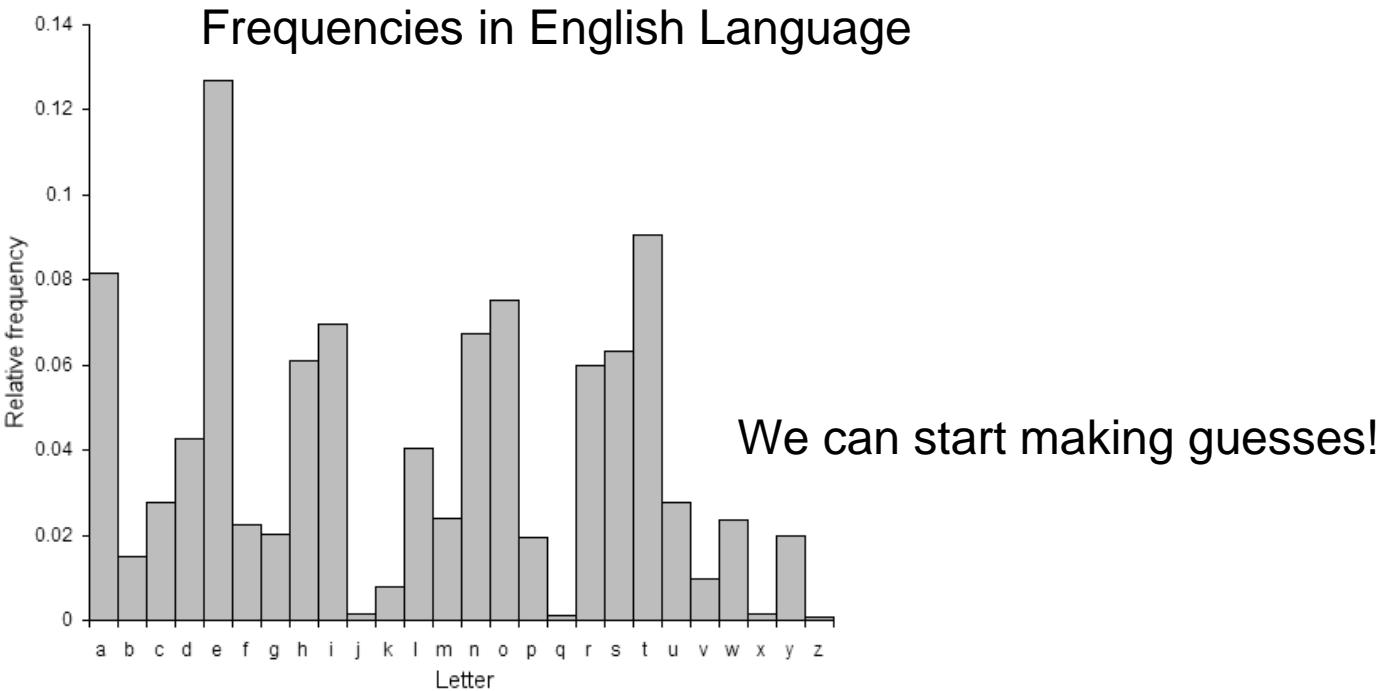
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[11/03/22] seed@VM:~/encryption_lecture$ ./freq.py < ciphertext.txt
```

```
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1-gram (top 20):
```

```
q: 61  
y: 58  
o: 39  
r: 34  
f: 32  
x: 30  
i: 27  
e: 26  
g: 21  
d: 18  
w: 17  
b: 14  
c: 13  
k: 12  
l: 12  
m: 12  
t: 11  
p: 9  
. : 8  
u: 7
```

```
2-gram (top 20):
```

```
yd: 12  
oy: 12  
yq: 11  
fi: 11  
dq: 10  
qo: 8  
qx: 8  
ew: 8  
rx: 7  
qy: 6  
ei: 6  
pq: 6  
rc: 5  
fo: 5  
yr: 5  
xq: 5  
ce: 5  
xy: 5  
im: 5  
wi: 5
```



Most common bigrams (in order)

th, he, in, en, nt, re, er, an, ti, es, on, at, se, nd, or, ar, al, te, co,
de, to, ra, et, ed, it, sa, em, ro.

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mfuufcwgy ro fy ceifyfiwqa. ydq ysqiyt kqayx lrcqx yqoy sfgg pbqfi fi ydfxyt oqeimo. gfiq wl ry ydq
oyrxy. ydq xwiifib olqqm oyryxo ogesgt, pwy bqyo uroyxz qrcd kfiwyq tew dqrz ydfo ofbirg pqql r
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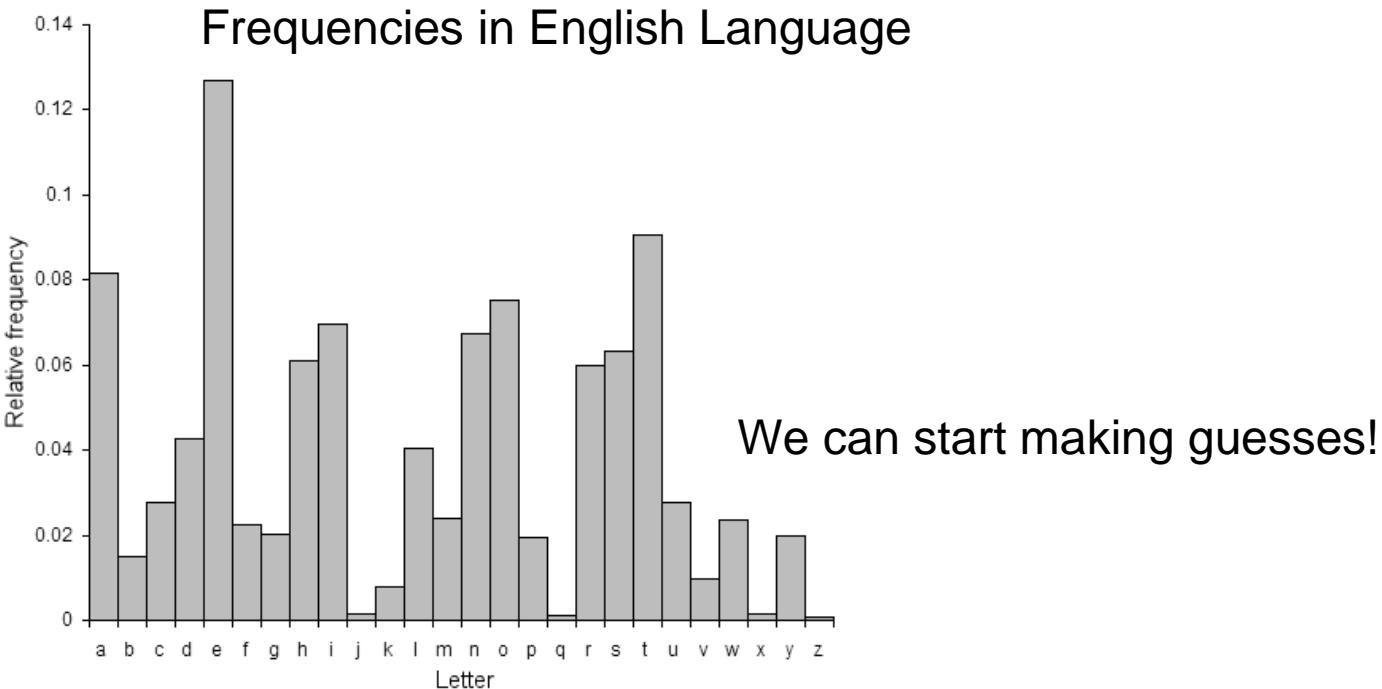
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2-gram (top 20):

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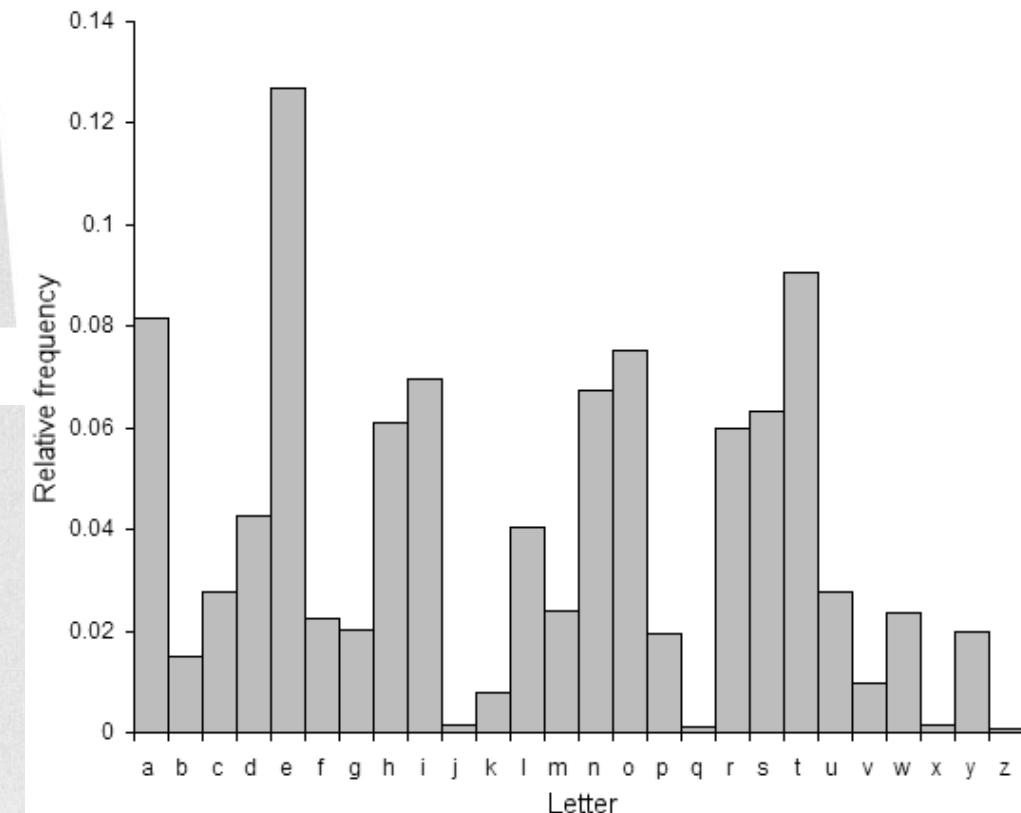
Listing 24.2: Bigram and trigram frequencies

Bigram frequency in English

TH :	2.71	EN :	1.13	NG :	0.89
HE :	2.33	AT :	1.12	AL :	0.88
IN :	2.03	ED :	1.08	IT :	0.88
ER :	1.78	ND :	1.07	AS :	0.87
AN :	1.61	TO :	1.07	IS :	0.86
RE :	1.41	OR :	1.06	HA :	0.83
ES :	1.32	EA :	1.00	ET :	0.76
ON :	1.32	TI :	0.99	SE :	0.73
ST :	1.25	AR :	0.98	OU :	0.72
NT :	1.17	TE :	0.98	OF :	0.71

Trigram frequency in English

THE :	1.81	ERE :	0.31	HES :	0.24
AND :	0.73	TIO :	0.31	VER :	0.24
ING :	0.72	TER :	0.30	HIS :	0.24
ENT :	0.42	EST :	0.28	OFT :	0.22
ION :	0.42	ERS :	0.28	ITH :	0.21
HER :	0.36	ATI :	0.26	FTH :	0.21
FOR :	0.34	HAT :	0.26	STH :	0.21
THA :	0.33	ATE :	0.25	OTH :	0.21
NTH :	0.33	ALL :	0.25	RES :	0.21
INT :	0.32	ETH :	0.24	ONT :	0.20



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Translate ciphertext.txt, and replace all **y** with **t**

```
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```
tdq uftiqoobxrk lrcqx tqot fo r kwgtfotrbq rxepfc crlrcftt tqot tdrt lxebxqoofvqqt bqto kexq mfuufcwgt ro ft ceitfiwqo. tdq tsqitt kqtqx lrcqx tqot sfgg pqbfi fi tdfxtt  
oqceimo. gfiq wl rt tdq otrxt. tdq xwiifib olqqm otrxt ogesgt, pwt bqto urotqx qrcd kfiwtq rutqx tew dqrq tdfq ofbirg pqql r ofibgq grl odewgm pq ceklgqtqm qrcd tfkq t  
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x. tdq tqot sfgg pqbfi ei tdq sexm otrxt. ei tewx krxj, bqt xqrmt, otrxt.
```

```
[11/03/22]seed@VM:~/encyption_lecture$ tr 'yd' 'th' < ciphertext.txt > output.txt
```

Translate ciphertext.txt, and replace all **y** with **t**, and replace all **d** with **h**

```
thg uftiqoobxrk lrcqx tqot fo r kwgtfotrbq rxepfc crlrcftt tqot thrt lxebxqoofvqqt bqto kexq mfuufcwgt ro ft ceitfiwqo. thg tsqitt kqtqx lrcqx tqot sfgg pqbfi fi thfxtt  
oqceimo. gfiq wl rt thg otrxt. thg xwiifib olqqm otrxt ogesgt, pwt bqto urotqx qrch kfiwtq rutqx tew hqrq thfo ofbirg pqql r ofibgq grl ohewgm pq ceklgqtqm qrch tfkq t  
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x. thg tqot sfgg pqbfi ei thg sexm otrxt. ei tewx krxj, bqt xqrmt, otrxt.
```

Keep adding more characters to your decryption scheme until you get the full answer ☺

Review the XOR operator:

Everything on a computer is **zeros** and **ones**



```
01010101010010111101010100  
10000101110010001010101100  
101010101011110100100101010  
10100101010101100101011010  
10010101010101010101001010  
10101010101001010101010101  
010110100101010100101...
```



A	B	Q
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

$$\begin{aligned}1 \oplus 0 &= 1 \\0 \oplus 0 &= 0 \\1 \oplus 1 &= 0 \\0 \oplus 1 &= 1\end{aligned}$$

Message:

Key:

Ciphertext:

$$\begin{array}{r} \oplus \\ \text{0001 } 1010 \text{ } 0011 \\ \text{1100 } 1100 \text{ } 0101 \\ \hline \text{1101 } 0110 \text{ } 0110 \end{array}$$

How to get original message?

Review the XOR operator:

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```
01010101010010111101010100  
10000101110010001010101100  
101010101011110100100101010  
10100101010101100101011010  
10010101010101010101001010  
10101010101001010101010101  
010110100101010100101...
```



A	B	Q
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

$$\begin{aligned}1 \oplus 0 &= 1 \\0 \oplus 0 &= 0 \\1 \oplus 1 &= 0 \\0 \oplus 1 &= 1\end{aligned}$$

Message:

Key:

Ciphertext:

XOR with the
key again!

$$\begin{array}{r} \oplus 0001 1010 0011 \\ 1100 1100 0101 \\ \hline 1101 0110 0110 \\ \oplus 1100 1100 0101 \\ \hline 0001 1010 0011 \end{array}$$

Block Cipher

Split in messages into fixed sized blocks, encrypt each block separately

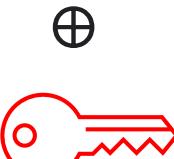
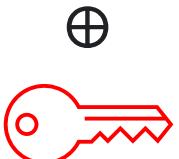
Hello there world

01101000	01100101	01101100
01101100	01101111	00100000
01110100	01101000	01100101
01110010	01100101	00100000
01110111	01101111	01110010
01101100	01100100	00001010

Block 1

Block 2

Block 3

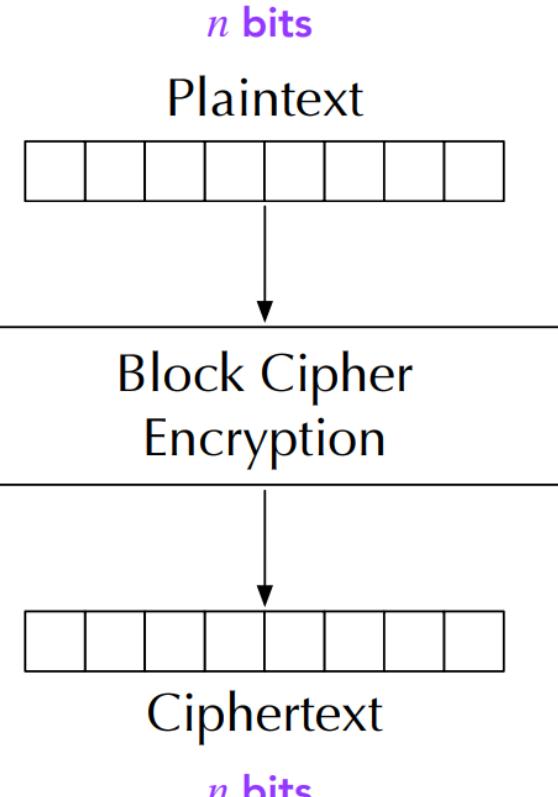


The specifics of this operation vary depending on your mode of encryption



Decryption is performed by applying the reverse transformation to ciphertext blocks

- Even small differences in plaintext result in different ciphertexts
- Blocks in plaintext that are the same will also have matching ciphertexts



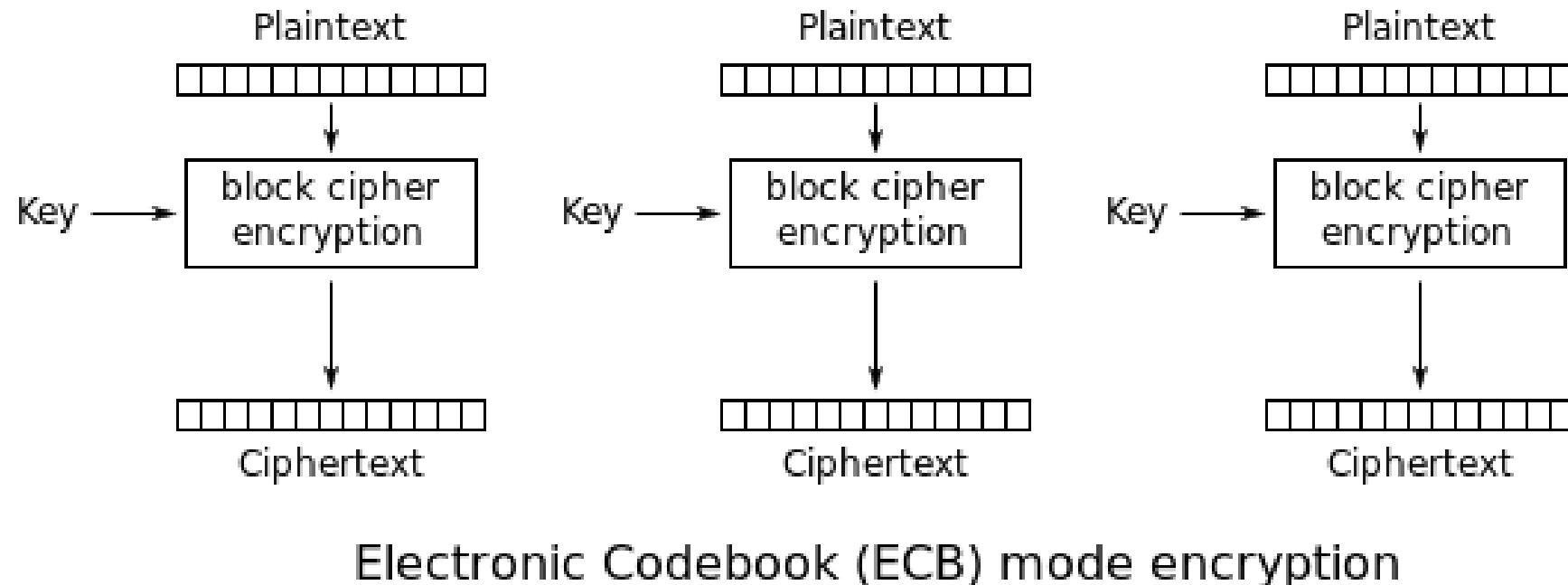
Modes of Encryption

- Electronic Codebook (ECB)
- Cipher Block Chaining (CBC)
- Propagating CBC (PCBC)
- Cipher Feedback (CFB)
- Output Feedback (OFB)
- Counter (CTR)

All block ciphers!

But if we aren't careful about how we conduct encryption operations, we may accidentally reveal information about the plaintext

Electronic Codebook ECB



Notice: For the same key, a plaintext always maps to the same ciphertext

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

Encrypt a .txt file

```
openssl enc -aes-128-ecb -e -in plain.txt -out cipher.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF
```

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

- 1 Encrypt using AES (block cipher) with mode ECB using a 128-bit key
- 2 Encrypt
- 3 Input file to be encrypted will be *plain.txt*
- 4 Output file created that contains the ciphertext will be *cipher.txt*
- 5 Key used for encryption will be 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF 32 characters in hex → 128 bits

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```

plain.txt

1 The FitnessGram Pacer Test is a multistage aerobic capacity test that progressively gets more difficult as it continues. The 20 meter pacer test will begin in 30 seconds. Line up at the start. The running speed starts slowly, but gets faster each minute after you hear this signal. [beep] A single lap should be completed each time you hear this sound. [ding] Remember to run in a straight line, and run as long as possible. The second time you fail to complete a lap before the sound, your test is over. The test will begin on the word start. On your mark, get ready, start.|

```
[11/09/22] seed@VM:~$ cat cipher.txt
?IeP??:?0-=600
??=??9z?5?;NQ????K?'?po?L??"\2tZ1?NQ?i?K?0?'"D?mvsJ?6?L?????*p?6n?
????t?i?Zq????v?p?]??f"??000D?
                                         ?) iW?00|?00>?00g)k. ?{?+V?;?00d?00?00?i
????[/?fp?,?0p?hy? [?00k>           *z%VA;?000l f?v?0?0u?0$?0Z?0T?GfZse
^
?????C? !?0c?J?K?i?Qb? ? C?00?U?u?00>@?0?)9gm
;?0p.~?f?^?E?0?.?r^??"?000000[?00z?;
                                         [ ?! [ ?          ?00000a?_?0000E&Di
5?yN?oc?w#?~?000w?0?)+8?i?3C5: ?q? p800000^/S?0? [?~5' ?+Y?uc?C??
?4000aq1Y?0000I?0000uk?0s?000%j?70/FP?0, x?>?1X?^?T?0zgf?0C?0G?00FR,
?00fP@?0009h, ?{H?g%6?@e~?@eZDx 'Gp]B/? [11/09/22] seed@VM:~$
```



Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

Encrypt a .txt file

```
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-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF
```

Decrypt a .txt file

```
openssl enc -aes-128-ecb -d -in cipher.txt -out new_output.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF
```

```
[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$ cat cipher.txt
0IeP0%0:00-=600
00=0090z050;NQ0000K0'0po0L?02tZ10NQ0i0K000'D0mvsJ060L00000*p006n0
0000t0i0Zq000v0p00]00f"0000D0
0) iW000|000>000g)k.0{0+V0;000d00000i
0000[0fp0,00p0hyr[000k> *z%VA;0000lf0v0?00u0$00Z%00T0GfZse
0000?C0!00c0j0K0i0Qb00 !C000U0u000>000)9gm
;00p.~0f0^E0?0.0r^00"000000[000z0;
[0! [0 000000a_0_0000E&Di
60yN0?oc00w#0~0000w000?)+80i03C5:0q00 p800000^/S000[0~5'0+Y0uc0C00
04000aq1Y0000I0000uk00s0000%j070/FP00,x0>010X0^0T00zgf00C00G000FR,
000fP@|0009h,0{H0g%600@e~0@eZDx'Gp]B/0[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$
```



```
[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$ cat new_output.txt
The FitnessGram Pacer Test is a multistage aerobic capacity test that progressively gets
more difficult as it continues. The 20 meter pacer test will begin in 30 seconds. Line up
at the start. The running speed starts slowly, but gets faster each minute after you hea
r this signal. [beep] A single lap should be completed each time you hear this sound. [di
ng] Remember to run in a straight line, and run as long as possible. The second time you
fail to complete a lap before the sound, your test is over. The test will begin on the wo
rd start. On your mark, get ready, start.
.... .11 .11.
```

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

Encrypt a .txt file

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-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF
```

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```
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-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFFF
```

Changing the key used for decryption wont decrypt correctly!

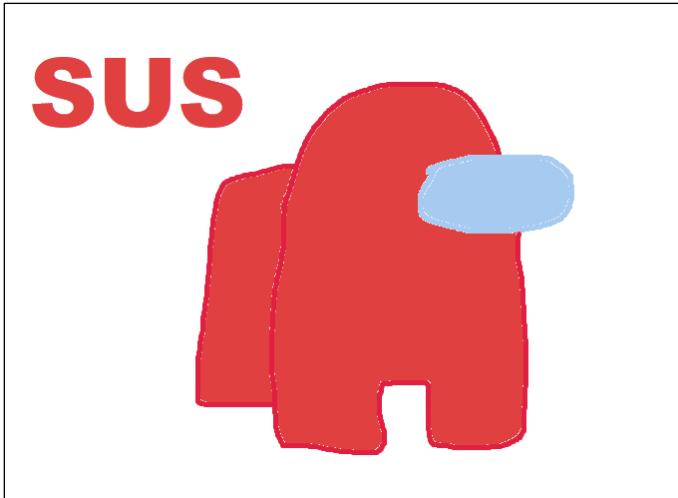
Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

We can encrypt many things (everything on computers is just 0s and 1s). Let's try an image!

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

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sus.bmp



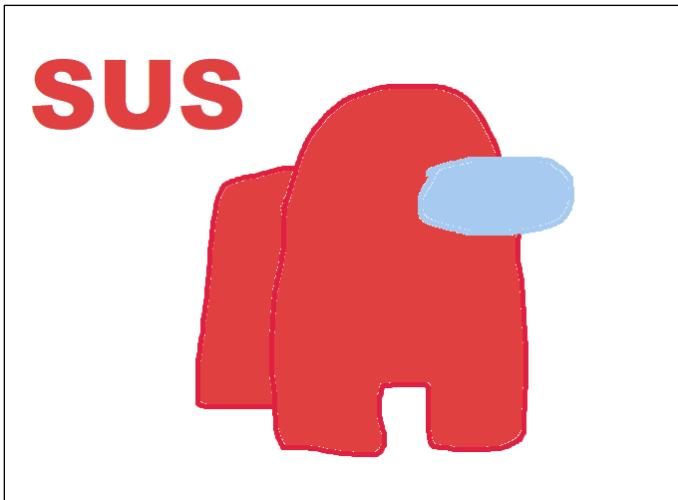
When encrypting images on
the lab, make sure you use a
.bmp image

(You can encrypt jpg and png, but you
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few slides)

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When encrypting images on the lab, make sure you use a **.bmp** image

(You can encrypt jpg and png, but you won't be able to follow the steps on the next few slides)

BMP files (and most files) have **headers**, which tell the OS what file type this sequence of 0s and 1s is

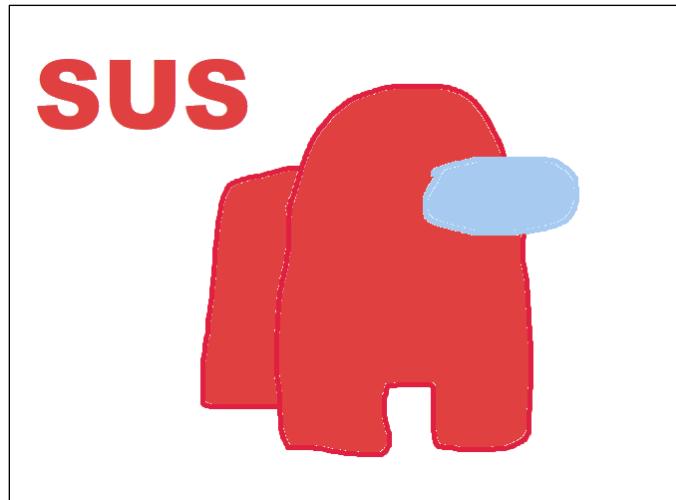
When we encrypt the image, the header will also get encrypted

The OS loads the encrypted image → Can't display it!

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

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sus.bmp



Header

Body of the image

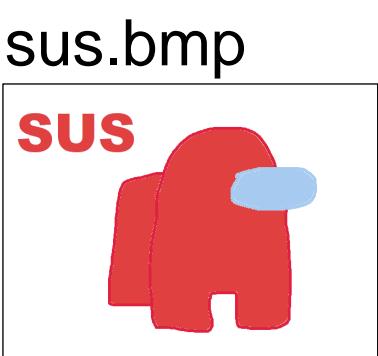
	BMP marker	File size				Reserved				Offset of the pixel data				Header size			
Offset		42	4D	9E	D2	01	00	00	00	00	00	36	00	00	00	28	00
00000010	00	00	C8	00	06	Width	00	C7	00	06	Height	01	Planes	18	BPP	00	Compre-
00000020	06	ssion	00	68	D2	Image size	00	13	0X	pix per meter	00	13	0Y	pix per meter	00	Colors in	
00000030	Color	tbl	00	00	Important	cols	00	23	2E	Pix	B	26	31	Pixel	28	33	Pixel
00000040	33	6C	27	34	6D	29	34	6E	29	34	6F	29	34	6F	26	33	
00000050	71	25	30	6F	25	30	6C	25	30	6B	27	31	6C	2B	35	6D	
00000060	2E	37	70	29	35	6F	25	34	6F	21	31	6D	22	32	6B	23	
00000070	32	69	26	33	6B	25	33	6D	27	35	6D	26	32	6B	25	31	
00000080	6B	26	32	6B	29	35	6D	29	34	6E	25	2F	6B	24	2F	6A	
00000090	24	2F	6B	29	33	6D	2D	37	70	27	32	6F	26	32	6B	26	

Fact: The first 54 bytes of a BMP file will be the header

I arbitrarily selected this bit sequence for the header... this would not actually be a valid header

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

We can encrypt many things (everything on computers is just 0s and 1s). Let's try an image!



enc.bmp

Header AND
image got
encrypted

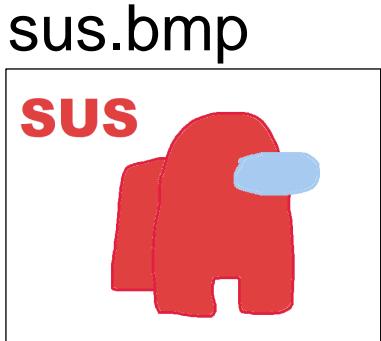
Step 2: Frankenstein together the encrypted image so our OS can open it

```
[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$ head -c 54 sus.bmp > header  
[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$ tail -c +55 enc.bmp > body  
[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$ cat header body > final.bmp
```

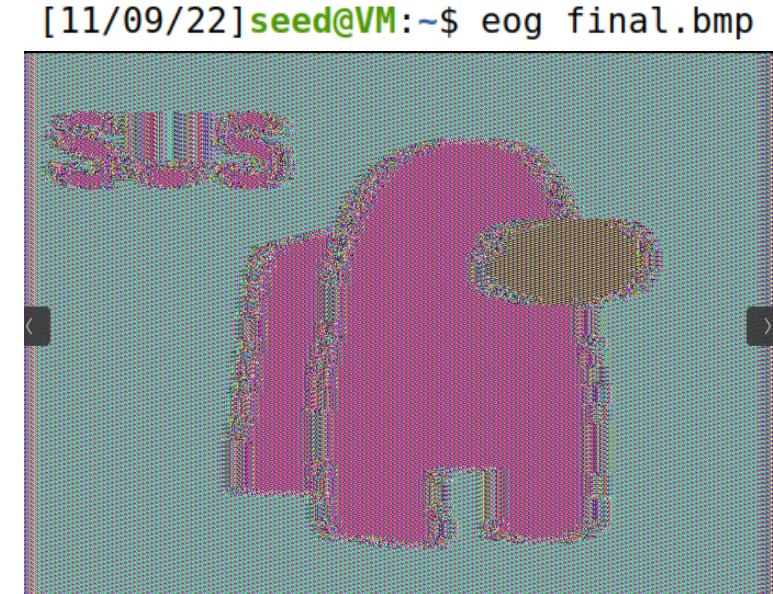
Take the first 54 bytes of the original image (header)
Take everything after the 54th byte of the
encrypted image (image)

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

We can encrypt many things (everything on computers is just 0s and 1s). Let's try an image!



final.bmp



Our encrypted image!!!

Step 2: Frankenstein together the encrypted image so our OS can open it

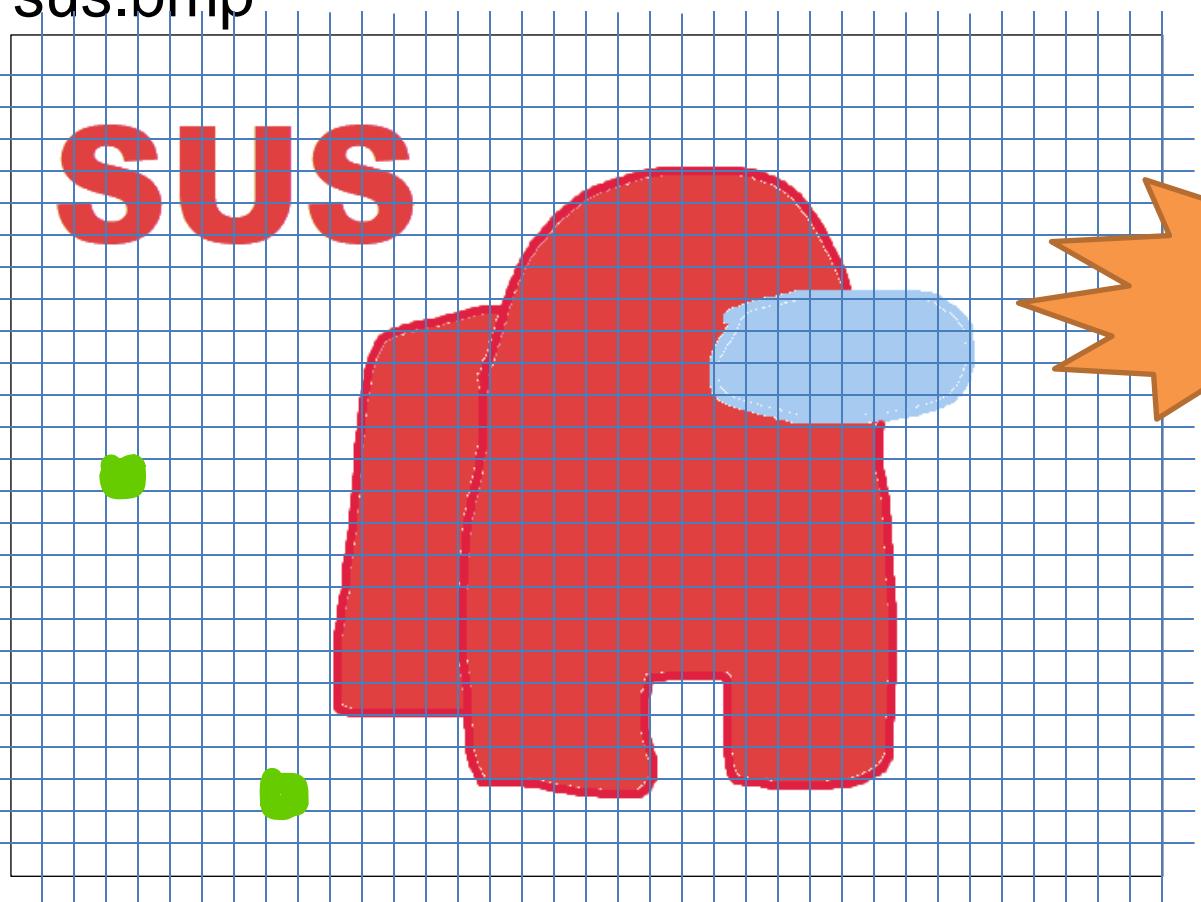
```
[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$ head -c 54 sus.bmp > header  
[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$ tail -c +55 enc.bmp > body  
[11/09/22]seed@VM:~$ cat header body > final.bmp
```

Take the first 54 bytes of the original image (header)
Take everything after the 54th byte of the
encrypted image (image)

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

Why does this suck?

sus.bmp



Remember that ECB is a **block cipher** so it will encrypt the image “block by block”

- Even small differences in plaintext result in different ciphertexts
- **Blocks in plaintext that are the same will also have matching ciphertexts**

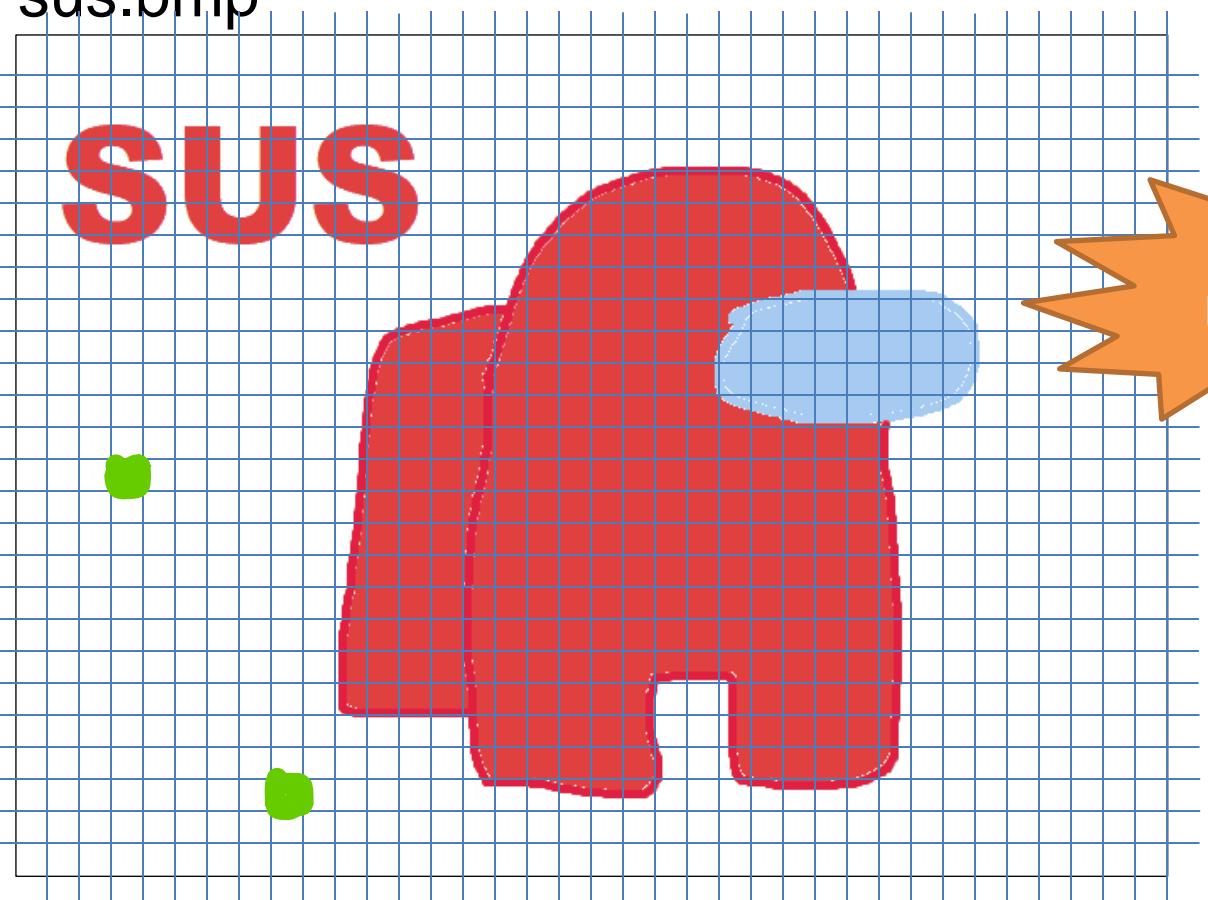
Dividing this image up, we can see that there are many blocks that are the exact same!

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

Why does this suck?

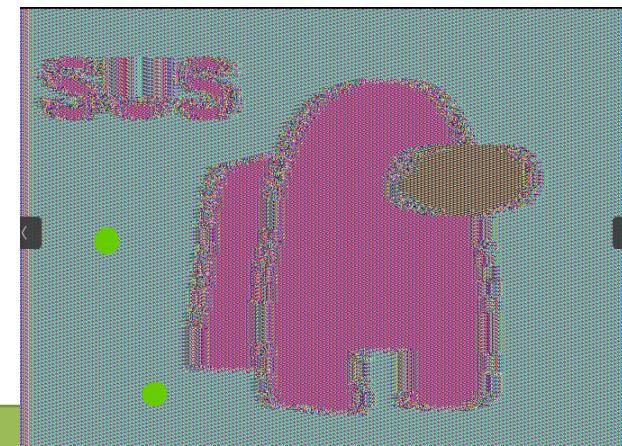
Lesson learned: ECB can reveal information about our plaintext **after** encryption has occurred

sus.bmp



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	=	

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

Let retry this experiment on a more **complex** image

capy.bmp

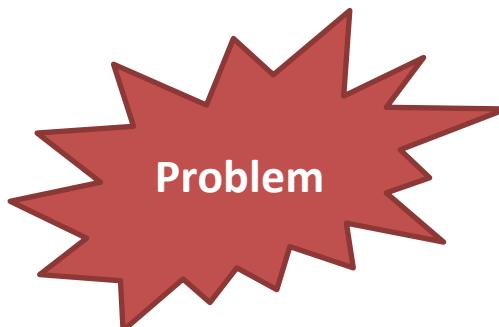
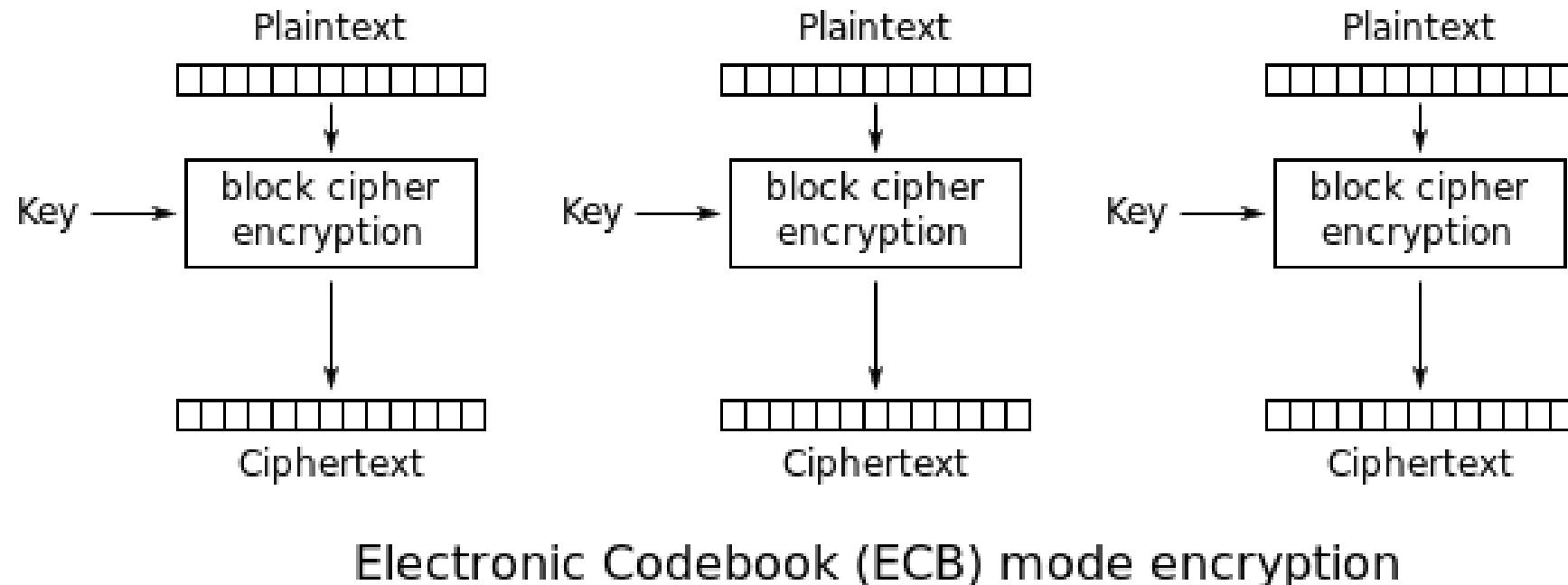


```
[11/09/22] seed@VM:~$ openssl enc -aes-128-ecb -e -in capy.bmp -out enc_capy.bmp -K 001122  
33445566778899AABBCCDDEEEE  
[11/09/22] seed@VM:~$ head -c 54 capy.bmp > header  
[11/09/22] seed@VM:~$ tail -c +55 enc_capy.bmp > body  
[11/09/22] seed@VM:~$ cat header body > final_capy.bmp  
[11/09/22] seed@VM:~$ eog final_capy.bmp
```



We get much better encryption because the original image uses a lot more colors!

Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ ECB

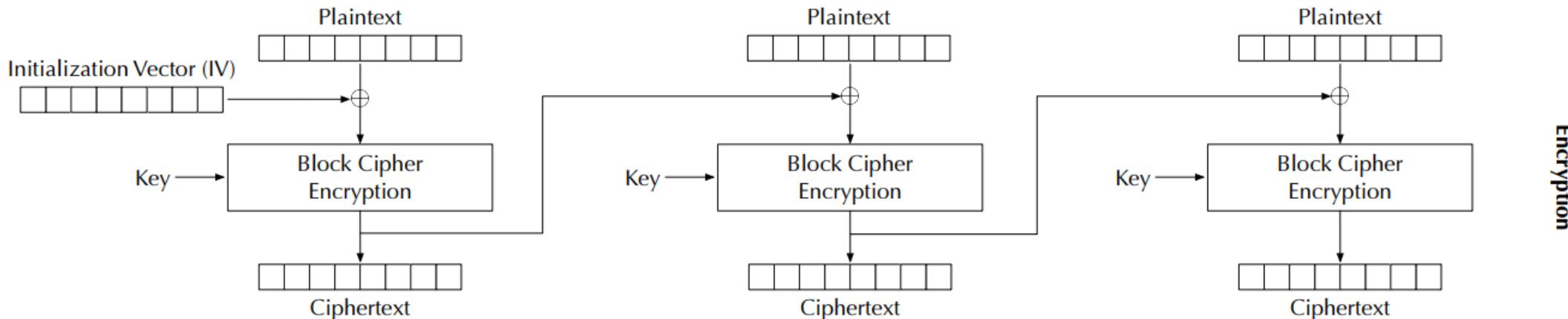


ECB can reveal information about our plaintext if our blocks are similar!

Solution: Add some randomness to each block during encryption

Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) Mode

Reminder: \oplus = XOR operator

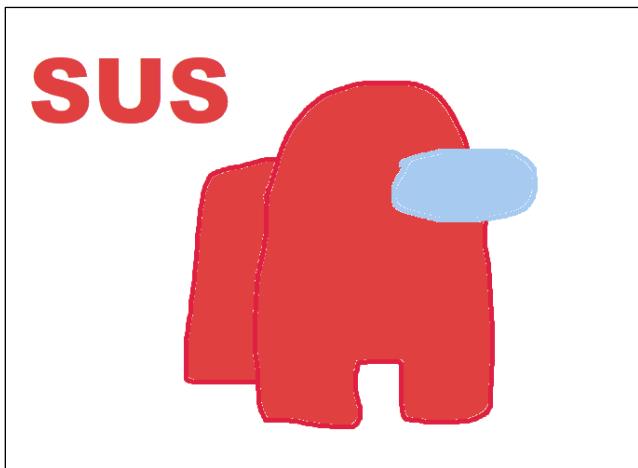


Introduces **block dependency**

$$C_i = E_K(P_i \oplus C_{i-1})$$

Introduces an **initialization vector (IV)** to ensure that even if two plaintexts are identical, their ciphertexts are still different because different IVs will be used

Using CBC to encrypt images??



???

You will do this on the lab.

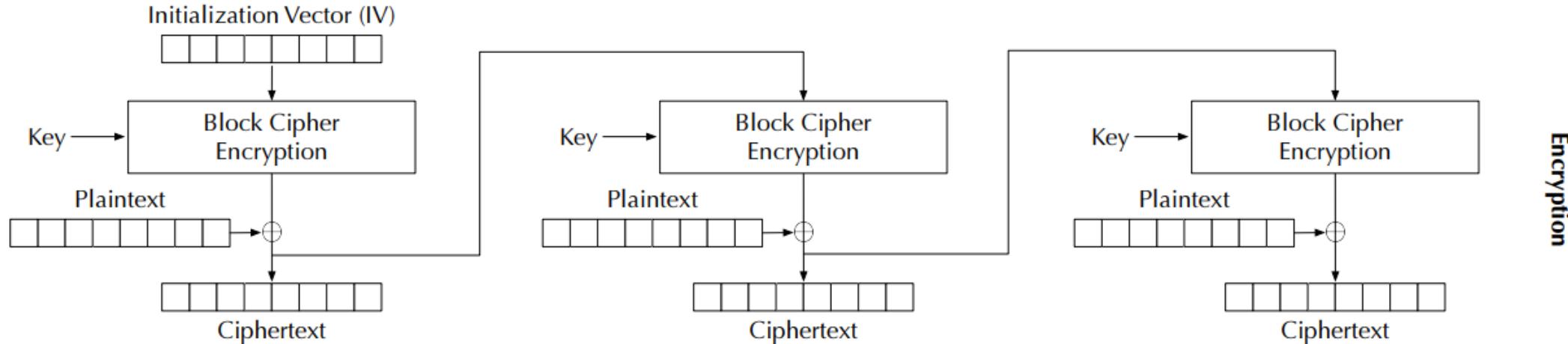
Using OpenSSL to encrypt w/ CBC

```
openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -e -in plain.txt -out cipher.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
-iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F
```

```
openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -e -in plain.txt -out cipher2.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
-iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0E
```

Let's encrypt the same file, but with different IVs

Cipher Feedback (CFB) Mode



- Similar to CBC, but *slightly different...*
...a block cipher is turned into a stream cipher!
- Ideal for encrypting real-time data.
- Padding not required for the last block.
- Encryption can only be conducted sequentially — *have to wait for all the plaintext*

Comparing CBC vs CFB

```
openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -e -in plain.txt -out cipher.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
-iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F
```

```
openssl enc -aes-128-cfb -e -in plain.txt -out cipher2.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
-iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F
```

Any differences in output file sizes?

Comparing CBC vs CFB

```
openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -e -in plain.txt -out cipher.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
-iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F
```

```
openssl enc -aes-128-cfb -e -in plain.txt -out cipher2.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
-iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F
```

```
[11/10/22] seed@VM:~$ ls -al | grep "cipher"
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 576 Nov 10 00:36 cipher2.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 592 Nov 10 00:36 cipher.txt
```

Using CFB results in
a smaller output file!
(woah!)

Padding

```
[11/10/22] seed@VM:~$ ls -al | grep "cipher"  
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 576 Nov 10 00:36 cipher2.txt  
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 592 Nov 10 00:36 cipher.txt
```

In a block cipher (where our block sizes is 4), what happens when we don't have a multiple of 4?

B1 B2 B3 B4

0011 1110 0011 10

This block is not 4 digits... we need to add more so that our encryption method works!

Padding

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[11/10/22] seed@VM:~$ ls -al | grep "cipher"
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 576 Nov 10 00:36 cipher2.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 592 Nov 10 00:36 cipher.txt
```

In a block cipher (where our block sizes is 4), what happens when we don't have a multiple of 4?

B1 B2 B3 B4

0011 1110 0011 10XX

This block is not 4 digits... we need to add more so that our encryption method works!

Extra data or **padding**, needs to be added to the last block, so its size equals the cipher's block size

Padding

Questions to answer:

1. *What* does the padding look like?
2. When decrypting, how does the software know *where* the padding starts?

Padding Experiment #1

What happens when data is smaller than the block size?

```
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ echo -n "123456789" > plain.txt  
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ ls -ld plain.txt  
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 9 Nov 10 00:47 plain.txt
```

Plaintext is 9 bytes

```
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -e -in plain.txt -out cipher.txt -K  
00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEEE -iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F  
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ ls -ld cipher.txt  
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 16 Nov 10 00:53 cipher.txt
```

Ciphertext is 16 bytes (7 bytes of padding got added on!)

Padding Experiment #2

How does decryption software know where the padding starts?

```
openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -d -in cipher.bin -out plain3.txt \
-K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
-iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F -nopad
```

```
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -e -in plain.txt -out cipher.txt -K
00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEEE -iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -d -in cipher.txt -out result.txt -
K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEEE -iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F -nopad
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ ls -ld result.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 16 Nov 10 02:05 result.txt
```

7 bytes of 0x07 are added as padding data

```
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ xxd -g 1 plain.txt
00000000: 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39          123456789
[11/10/22]seed@VM:~/padding$ xxd -g 1 result.txt
00000000: 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 07 07 07 07 07 07 07 07 123456789.....
```

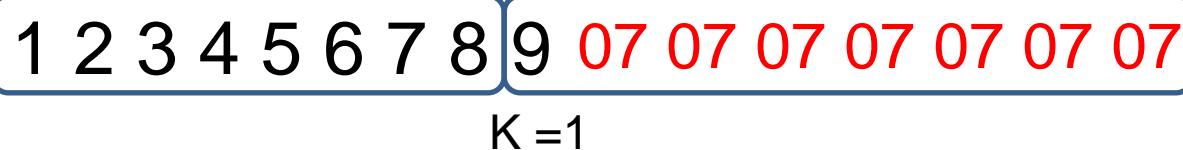
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```
[11/10/22] seed@VM:~/padding$ xxd -g 1 plain.txt  
00000000: 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 123456789  
[11/10/22] seed@VM:~/padding$ xxd -g 1 result.txt  
00000000: 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 07 07 07 07 07 07 07 123456789.....
```

Block 1

Block 1



B = 8 characters

In general, for block size B and last block w K bytes,

B-K bytes of value B-K are added as the padding

Padding Experiment #3

What if the size of the plaintext is a multiple of the block size? And the last seven bytes are all 0x07?

Block 1

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	9 07 07 07 07 07 07 07
-----------------	------------------------

Block 1

```
$ xxd -g 1 plain3.txt
00000000: 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 07 07 07 07 07 07 07 07 07

$ openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -e -in plain3.txt -out cipher3.bin \
  -K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
  -iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F
$ openssl enc -aes-128-cbc -d -in cipher3.bin -out plain3_new.txt \
  -K 00112233445566778899AABBCCDDEEFF \
  -iv 000102030405060708090A0B0C0D0E0F -nopad

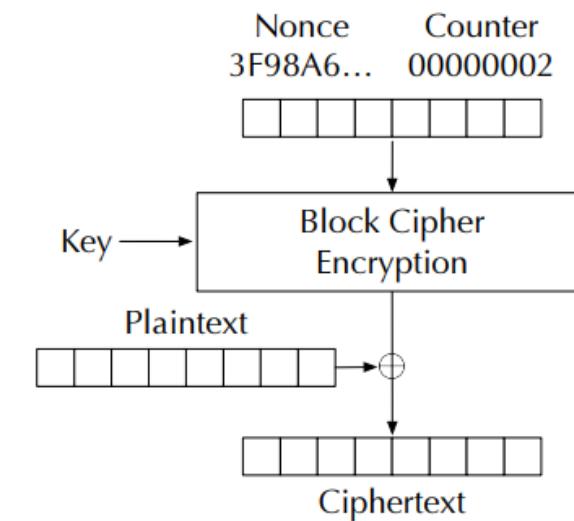
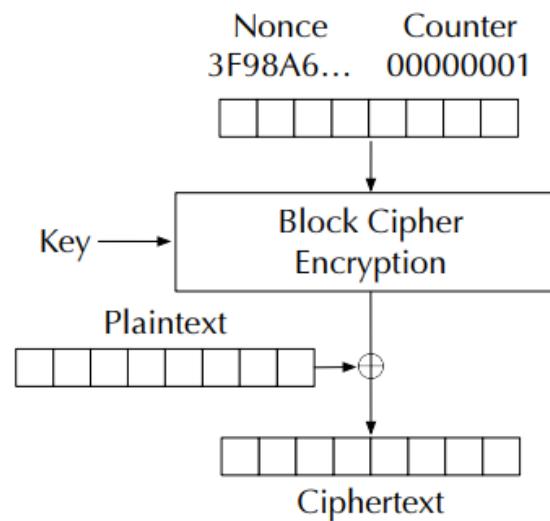
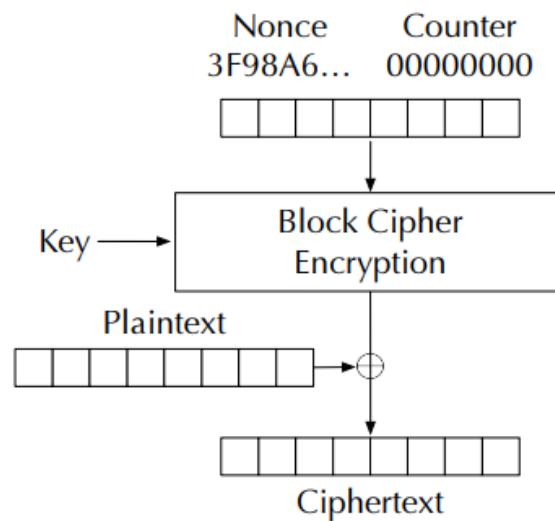
$ ls -ld cipher3.bin plain3_new.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 32 Mar 18 21:07 cipher3.bin
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 32 Mar 18 21:07 plain3_new.txt

$ xxd -g 1 plain3_new.txt
00000000: 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 07 07 07 07 07 07 07
00000010: 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10
```

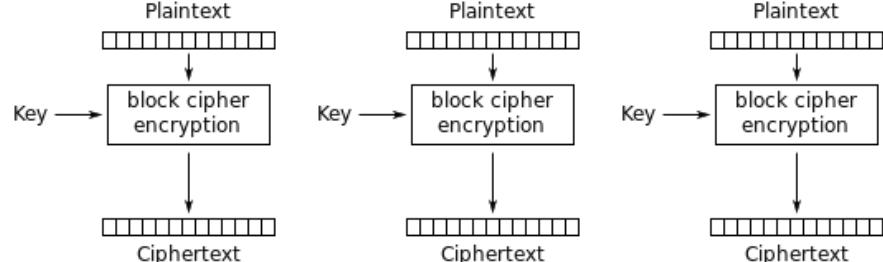
- Size of plaintext (plain3.txt) is **16 bytes**
- Size of decryption output (plain3_new.txt) is **32 bytes** → a new, full block is added as the padding
- In PKCS#5, if the input length is already an exact multiple of the block size B , then B bytes of value B are added as the padding.

Counter(CTR) Mode

- Use a counter to generate the key streams
- No key stream can be reused; the counter value for each block is prepended with a randomly generated value called a **nonce (same idea as the IV)**

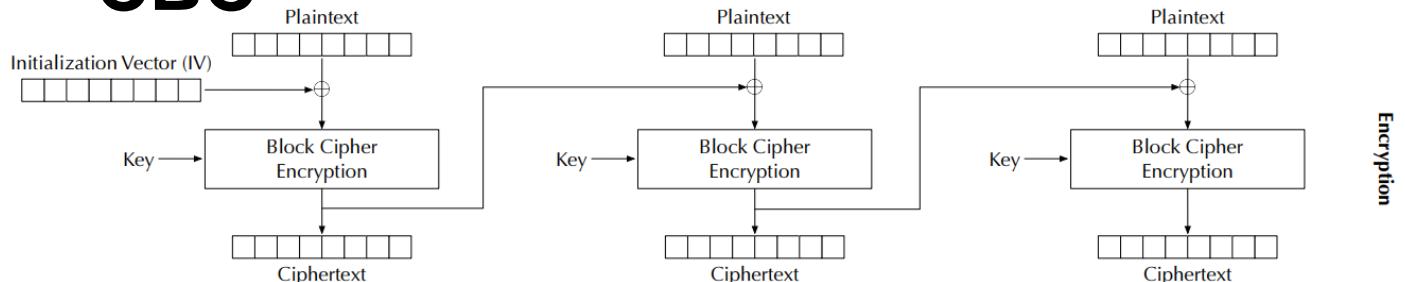


Modes of Encryption



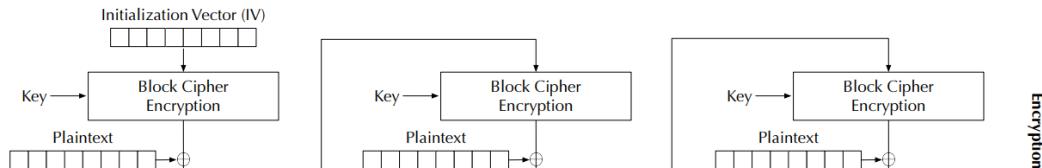
Electronic Codebook (ECB) mode encryption

CBC



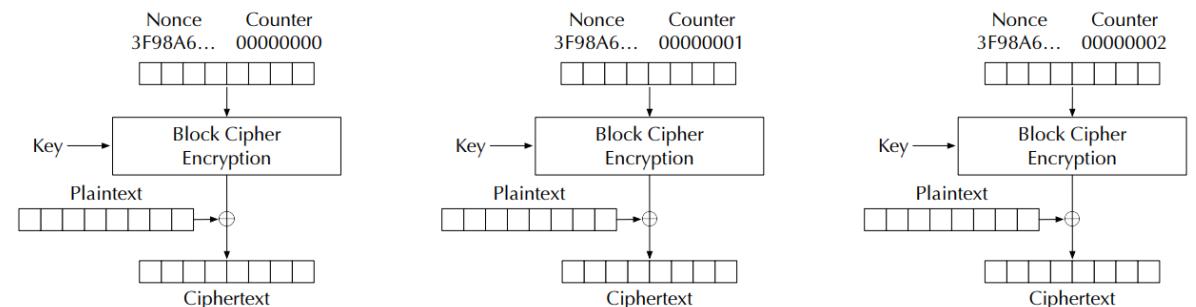
Encryption

Cipher Feedback (CFB) Mode



Encryption

Counter(CTR) Mode



You will explore these in the lab

Encryption Modes

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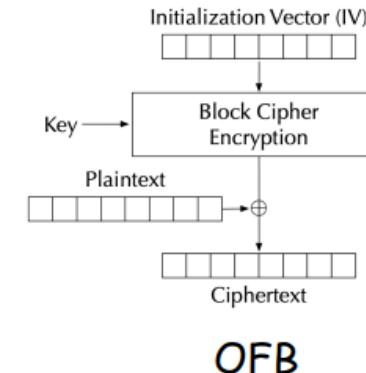
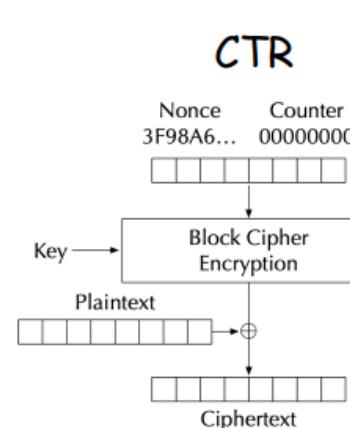
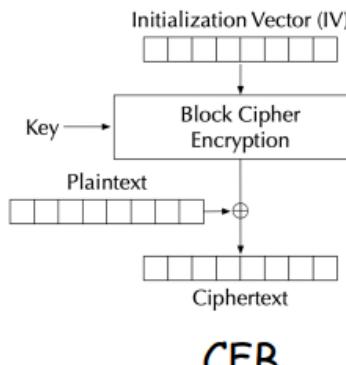
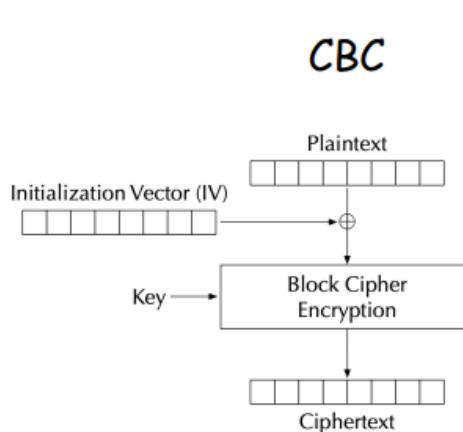
None of the encryption modes discussed so far can be used to achieve **message authentication**
(we've only done message confidentiality)

How are keys actually exchanged?? We will talk about that when we get to asymmetric crypto

Initialization Vectors

Initialization Vectors and Common Mistakes

- Initialization Vectors have the following requirements:
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 - IV should not be reused → uniqueness
 - IV should not be predictable → pseudorandom
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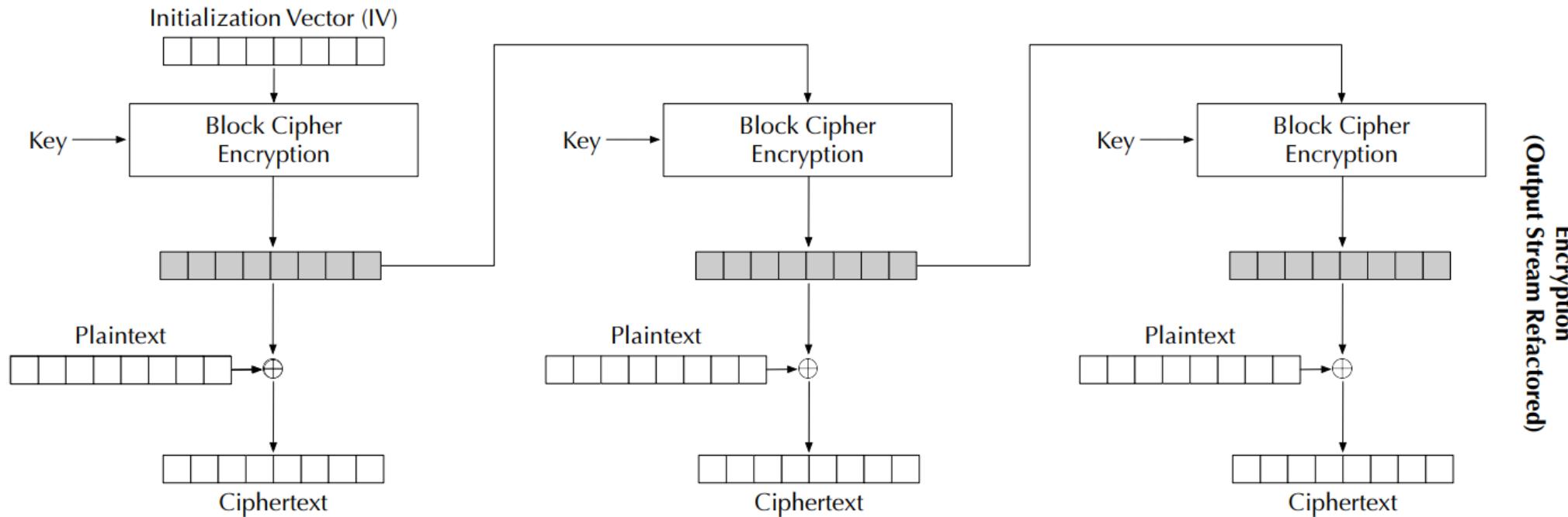


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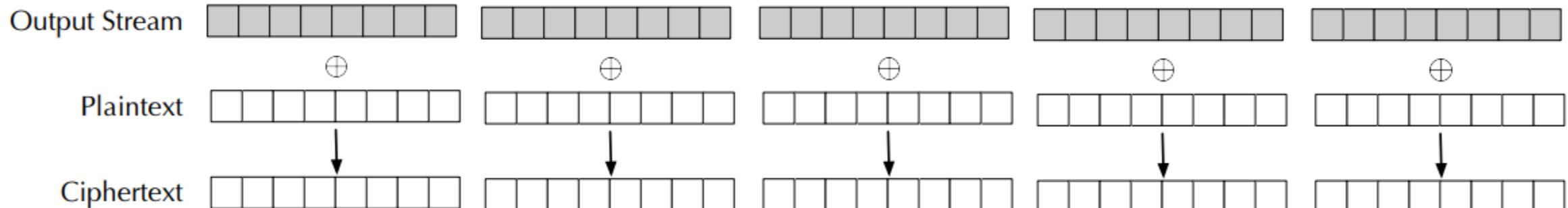


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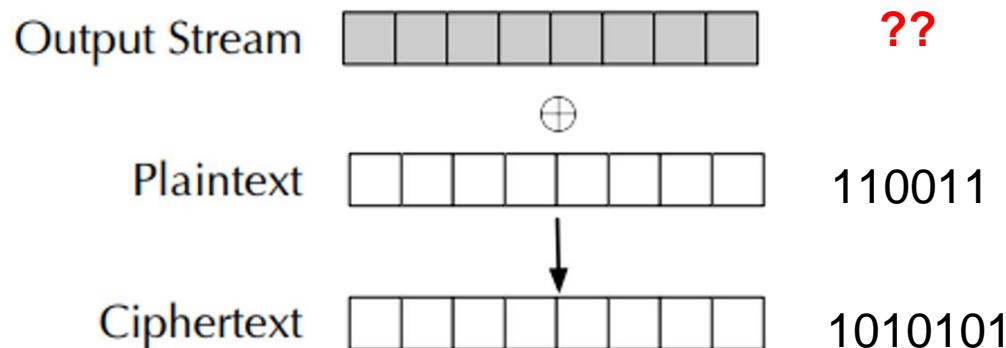


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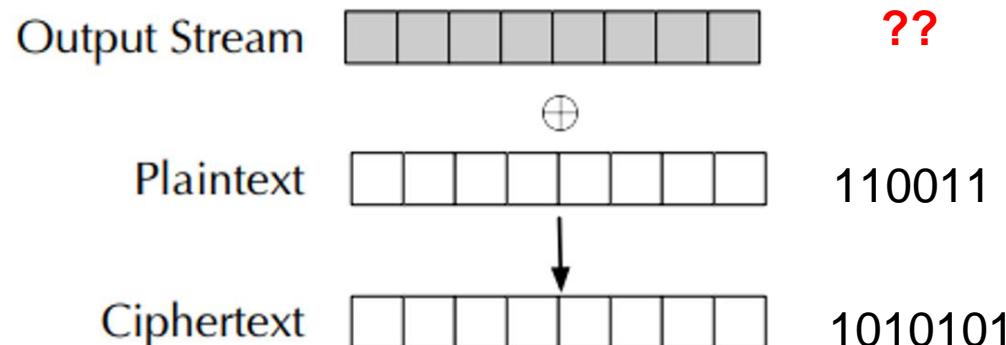


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Knowing that an encryption scheme uses the same IV + key (you will do this on the lab)

Lab