# DTTF/NB479: Jouspevdujpo up Dszquphsbqiz

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(It should now be obvious whether or not you are in the right classroom...)

## CSSE/MA479: Introduction to Cryptography

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#### Agenda: Introductions to...

- The players
- The topic
- The course structure
- The course material

#### Introductions

- Roll call:
  - Pronunciations and nicknames
  - Help me learn your names quickly
  - You'll share with classmates on discussion forum

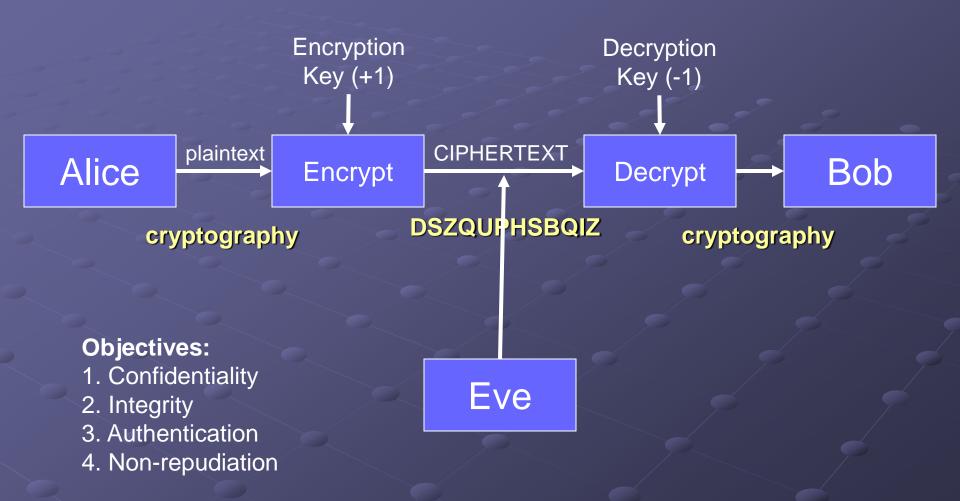
#### Me:

- Sixth year at Rose
- Taught CSSE120, 120 Robotics, 220, 221, 230,
   Image Recognition, Fractals, Cryptography,
   Mechatronics, Robotics senior design

## What is Cryptography?

 Designing systems to communicate over non-secure channels

#### Non-secure channels



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#### What will we do?

Learn theory (lecture, text, written problems)
What would happen if you used composite numbers in RSA?

Make and break codes (programming)

DES Block cipher, classic crypto

Research something new (term project)

Quantum cryptography, TwoFish, PGP

#### Admin

#### Syllabus

- Text: highly recommended by students
- Grading, attendance, academic integrity
- Angel: Please use the merged course:
  - CSSE/MA479 Spring 10-11 Cryptography
  - The original csse479-01 and ma479-01 are empty

#### Schedule

- Contains links to homeworks (first due Monday)
- Easy first week...
- Bookmark in browser:
  - http://www.rose-hulman.edu/class/csse/csse479/201130/
- Email to cssema479-staff for questions

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#### Shift ciphers

- Attributed to Julius Caesar
- Letters represented as 0-25.
- $\bullet$  x  $\rightarrow$  x + k (mod 26)
- Cryptography ETARVQITCRJA
- Weak cryptosystem.
  - We learn it to show that "encryption" isn't useful if it's not secure.
  - We also use it to study 4 typical attacks to find the decryption key:
    - Ciphertext only (the discussion forums)
    - Known plaintext
    - Chosen plaintext
    - Chosen ciphertext

#### 1. Ciphertext only

#### Consider dszquphsbqiz

dszquphsbqiz etarvqitcrja fubswrjudskb gvctxskvetlc hwduytlwfumd ixevzumxgvne jyfwavnyhwof kzgxbwozixpg lahycxpajyqh mbizdyqbkzri ncjaezrclasj odkbfasdmbtk pelcgbtencul qfmdhcufodvm rgneidvgpewn shofjewhqfxo tipgkfxirgyp ujqhlgyjshzq vkrimhzktiar wlsjnialujbs xmtkojbmvkct ynulpkcnwldu zovmqldoxmev apwnrmepynfw bqxosnfqzogx cryptography

- How did you attack the cipher?
- Another trick for long ciphers...

#### 2. Known plaintext

Say I know sample of plaintext and corresponding ciphertext.

How long does the sample need to be to find the key?

#### 3. Chosen plaintext

Say I have access to the encryption machine and can choose a sample of plaintext to encode. How can I deduce the key?

Just encode a. That gives the encryption key

#### 4. Chosen ciphertext

Say I can choose a sample of ciphertext to decode.

Just decode A. How does this give the encryption and decryption keys?

## Homework due Monday

See the schedule page

#### Affine ciphers

Somewhat stronger since scale, then shift:

$$x \rightarrow \alpha x + \beta \pmod{26}$$

Say 
$$y = 5x + 3$$
;  $x = \text{'hellothere'}$ ;  
Then  $y = \text{'mxggv...'}$ 

(Hint: my table mapping the alphabet to 0-25 is really handy)

#### Affine ciphers: $x \rightarrow \alpha x + b \pmod{26}$

Consider the 4 attacks:

1. How many possibilities must we consider in brute force attack?

#### Restrictions on $\alpha$

Consider y = 2x, y = 4x, or y = 13x

The problem is that  $gcd(\alpha, 26) \sim 1$ . The function has no inverse.

## Finding the decryption key

- What's the inverse of y = 5x + 3?
- In Integer (mod 26) World, of course...

#### Affine ciphers: $x \rightarrow ax + b \pmod{26}$

- Consider the 4 attacks:
  - 1. Ciphertext only:
    - •How long is brute force?
  - 2. Known plaintext
    - •How many characters do we need?
  - 3. Chosen plaintext
    - •Wow, this is easy.
  - 4. Chosen ciphertext
    - Could be even easier!