

Application Problems

Cryptography

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Topics

1 History

- Signal Intelligence Cooperation
- Enigma
- Venona
- Russian Diplomatic Communication

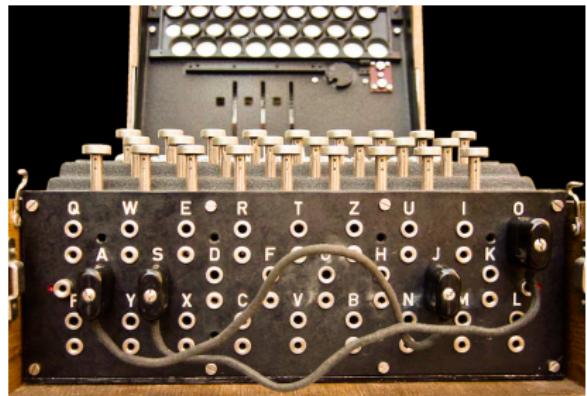
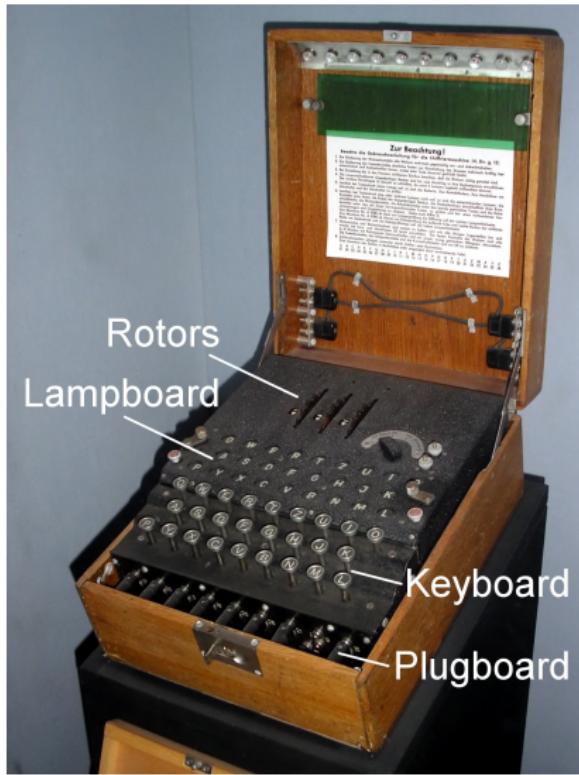
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- Block cipher modes

3 Tools for study

Cryptanalysis known pairing

- France
- Poland
- United Kingdom
- Japan
- Finland
- Estonia



Breaking Enigma

Breaking basis method is Friedman's Index of Coincidence - statistics of letter pairwise sequences.

Reasons of breaking Enigma:

- Open commercial design
- Avoiding one substitution
- Plaintext partial predictability
- Operating discipline
- International cooperation

Roles:

- FR Obtaining machines
- PL Method development
- UK Consolidation and industrialisation

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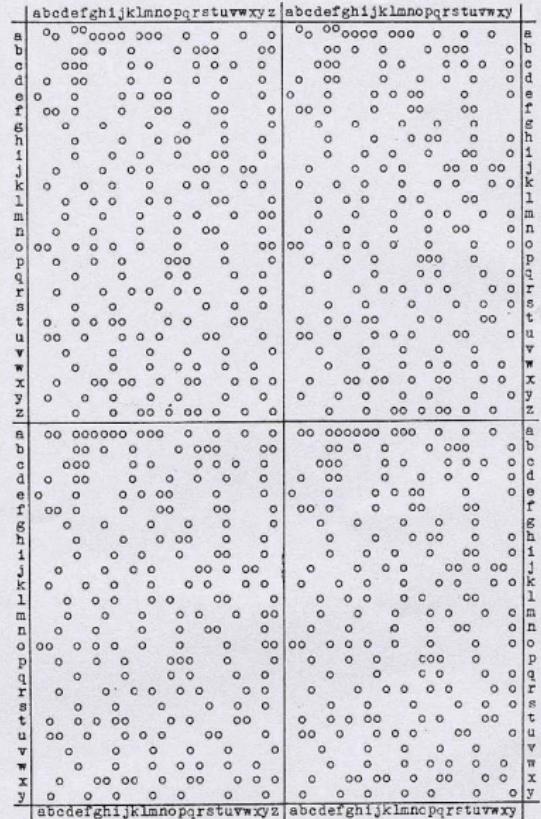


Fig. 5. Diagram of the perforated sheet.

Venona

Russians reused keys.

Project 1946-1980

Decryption rate

1942 1.8%

1943 15.0%

1944 49.0%

1945 1.5%



One-time Pad

Plaintext x is divided into blocks $x = x_1x_2 \dots x_m$.

Ciphertext is y also divided into blocks $y = y_1y_2 \dots y_m$, where every ciphertext block y_i is computed by

$$y_i = x_i \oplus z_i ,$$

where z_i is the key intended for the encryption of x_i .

The keys z_i are mutually independent and uniformly random.

Key reuse

If all keys are the same $z_i = k \forall i$ and we know one plaintext-ciphertext pair (x_j, y_j) then we can decrypt all pairs as $k = x_j \oplus y_j$.

If we know that key is re-used one time $z_m = z_n = k$, then

$$\begin{aligned}y_m \oplus y_n &= x_m \oplus k \oplus x_n \oplus k \\&= x_m \oplus x_n .\end{aligned}$$

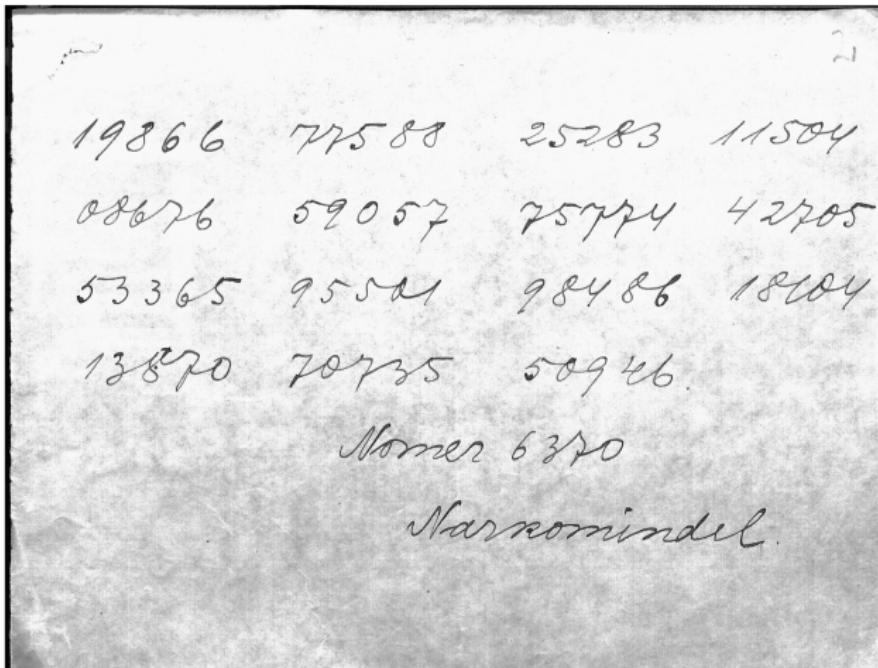
XOR-ed texts can be attacked by pair frequency matrix.

Tallinn Telegrams

Some intercepted telegrams of Russian Tallinn Embassy with Moscow are preserved.

They were misclassified in Estonian State Archive.

Content is not random, autocorrelation does exist.



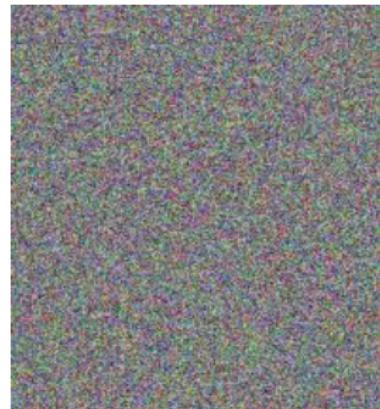
Block cipher modes



Original file



ECB encrypted



CBC encrypted

Mode properties

Mode	Encrypt	Decrypt	Random read
ECP	Parallel	Parallel	Yes
CBC	No	Parallel	Yes
CFB	No	Parallel	Yes
OFB	No	No	No

PKI practical problems

- Dutch DigiNotar
- Swedish BankId
- Estonian ID card negative moduli
- Taiwan ID card weak random
- Infineon weak key generation

Keypair roles

SEIS original keypair roles

signature No recovery allowed

authentication Arbitrary challenge

encryption Key recovery desired

FinID optimised authentication and encryption keypairs together.

Tools to consider

- cryptool.org
- openssl
- Cryptographers Workbench