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† Some lectures overlap with
CHM/COS/MOL/PHY 231/2

Overview

What is COS 126?

- Broad, but technical, intro to CS in the context of scientific, engineering, and commercial applications.
- No prerequisites, intended for novices.

Goals.

- **Empower** you to exploit available technology.
- **Demystify** computer systems.
- **Build awareness** of substantial intellectual underpinnings.

Topics.

- **Programming** in Java.
- Machine architecture.
- Theory of computation.
- Applications.

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The Usual Suspects

Lectures. [Doug Clark]

- Tuesdays and Thursdays, Friend 101.

Precepts. [Ari Feldman, Maia Ginsburg, Nadia Heninger, Elliott Karpilovsky, Tim O'Connor, Vivek Pai, George Reis, Adam Stoler]

- COS 126: Tue+Thu or Wed+Fri.
- CHM/COS/MOL/PHY 231/2: Wed or Th.
 - Special precept today, 2:30, Lewis Thomas Lab 012
- Tips on assignments, worked examples, clarify lecture material.

Friend 016/017 lab. [Undergrad lab assistants.]

- Weekdays 7-11pm, some weekend hours.
- Full schedule to be posted on Web.

Grades

Course grades. No preset curve or quota.

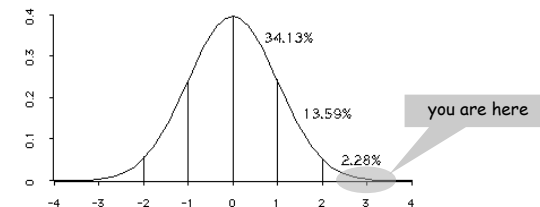
Programming assignments. 35%.

2 exams. 50%.

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Final programming project. 15%.

Staff discretion and extra credit. Adjust borderline cases.



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Course Materials

Course website. [www.princeton.edu/~cos126]

- Programming assignments.
- Lecture notes.
- Submit assignments, check grades.

Required readings.

- Sedgewick and Wayne. *Intro to Programing.* [U-Store]
 - Available tomorrow
 - booksite [www.cs.princeton.edu/IntroCS]

Recommended readings.

- Harel. *What computers can't do.* [U-Store]

Programming Assignments

Desiderata.

- Address an important scientific or commercial problem.
- Illustrate the importance of a fundamental CS concept.

Examples.

- N-body simulation.
 - DNA sequence alignment.
 - Digital signal processing of MP3 files.
 - Traveling salesperson problem.
 - Markov model of natural language.
- } you solve scientific problems from scratch!

Due. (Usually) Mondays 11:55pm via Web submission.

Computing equipment.

- Your machine. [Linux, OS X, Windows, Java cell phone, ...]
- OIT machines. [Friend 016 and 017 labs]

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What's Ahead?

Thursday. CHM/COS/MOL/PHY 231/2 meets in LTL 012 2:30.

Thursday or Friday. COS 126 precepts meet.

- Don't know yours? Check the printout or website.
- See Maia Ginsburg after class if not registered.

ASAP! Read sections 1.1 - 1.2 of Intro to Programming.

Due Monday. Assignment 0.

- Setup Java programming environment.
- Lots of help available, don't be bashful.

Tuesday. Lecture 2: Introduction to Java.

Prologue: A Simple Machine

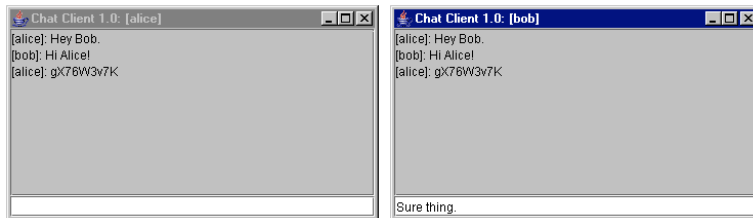
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Secure Chat

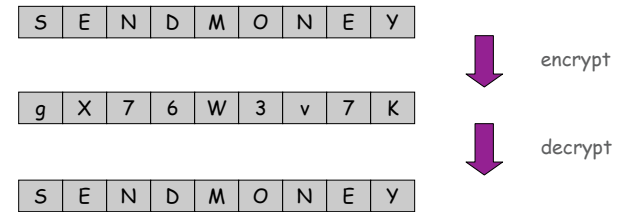
Alice wants to send a secret message to Bob?

- Can you read the secret message gX76W3v7K ?
- But Bob can. How?



Encryption Machine

Goal. Design a machine to encrypt and decrypt data.

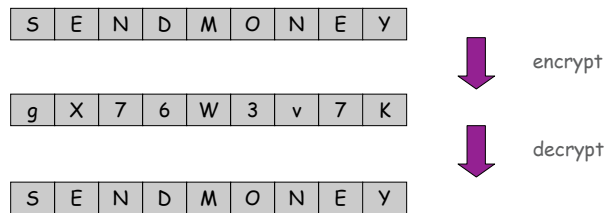


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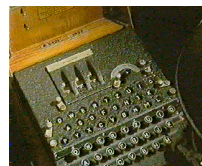
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Enigma encryption machine.

- "Unbreakable" German code during WWII.
- Broken by Turing bombe.
- One of first uses of computers.
- Helped win Battle of Atlantic by locating U-boats.



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Digital Data

Computers store all data as a sequence of bits.

- Text.
- Images (JPEG), audio (MP3), video (DivX).
- Programs.

0 or 1

Base64 encoding. Use 6 bits to represent each alphanumeric symbol.

Binary Char	Binary Char	Binary Char	Binary Char	Binary Char	Binary Char
000000	A	001011	L	010110	W
000001	B	001100	M	010111	X
000010	C	001101	N	011000	Y
000011	D	001110	O	011001	Z
000100	E	001111	P	011010	a
000101	F	010000	Q	011011	b
000110	G	010001	R	011100	c
000111	H	010010	S	011101	d
001000	I	010011	T	011110	e
001001	J	010100	U	011111	f
001010	K	010101	V	100000	g
				100001	h
				100010	i
				100011	j
				100100	k
				100101	l
				100110	m
				100111	n
				110000	w
				110001	x
				110010	y
				110011	z
				110100	0
				110101	1
				110110	2
				110111	3
				111000	4
				111001	5
				111010	6
				111011	7
				111100	8
				111101	9
				111110	+
				111111	/

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One-Time Pad Encryption

Encryption.

- Convert text message to **N bits**.
- ↑
0 or 1

Base64 Encoding

char	dec	binary
A	0	000000
B	1	000001
...
Y	24	011000
...

S	E	N	D	M	O	N	E	Y	message
010010	000100	001101	000011	001100	001110	001101	000100	011000	base64

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- Convert text message to N bits.
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- Take bitwise XOR of two bitstrings.

↑
sum pair of bits: 1 if sum is odd, 0 if even

XOR Truth Table

x	y	$x \oplus y$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

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010010	000100	001101	000011	001100	001110	001101	000100	011000	base64
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- Convert binary back into text.

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...
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g	X	7	6	W	3	v	7	K	encrypted

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One-Time Pad Decryption

Decryption.

- Convert encrypted message to binary.

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Decryption.

- Convert encrypted message to binary.
- Use **same** N random bits (one-time pad).

g	X	7	6	W	3	v	7	K
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 base64

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 XOR

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Why Does It Work?

Notation	Meaning
a	original message bit
b	one-time pad bit
^	XOR operator
a ^ b	encrypted message bit
(a ^ b) ^ b	decrypted message bit

Crucial property. Decrypted message = original message.

Why is crucial property true?

- Use properties of XOR.
- $(a \wedge b) \wedge b = a \wedge (b \wedge b) = a \wedge 0 = a$

associativity of ^ always 0 identity

x	y	x ^ y
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

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Goods and Bads of One-Time Pads

Good.

- Very simple encryption/decryption processes.
- Provably unbreakable if pad is truly random. [Shannon, 1940s]

Bad.

- Easily breakable if pad is re-used.
- Pad must be as long as the message.
- Truly random bits are very hard to come by.
- Pad must be distributed securely.

"one time" means one time only

impractical for Web commerce

Pseudo-Random Number Generator

Practical middle-ground.

- Let's make a pseudo-random bit generator gadget.
- Alice and Bob each get identical small gadgets instead of identical large one-time pads.

How to make small gadget that produces "random" numbers.

- Linear congruential generator.
- Linear feedback shift register.
- Blum-Blum-Shub generator.
- ...

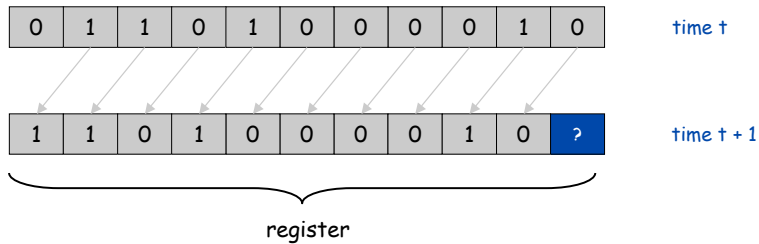
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Shift Register

Shift register terminology.

- Bit: 0 or 1.
- Cell: storage element that holds one bit.
- Register: sequence of cells.
- Seed: initial sequence of bits.
- Shift register: when clock ticks, bits propagate one position to left.



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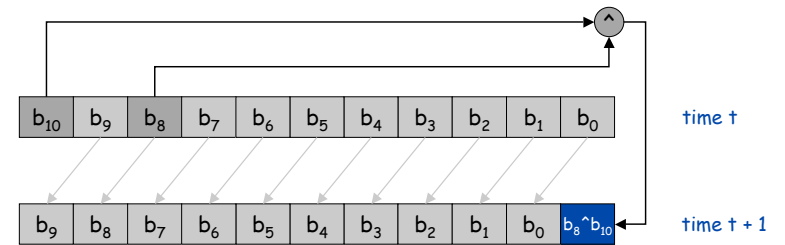
Linear Feedback Shift Register

{8, 10} linear feedback shift register.

- 11 bit shift register.
- New output bit 0 is XOR of previous bits 8 and 10.
- Output bit = bit 0.



LFSR demo



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Random Numbers

Q. Are these 2000 numbers random? If not, what is the pattern?

```

1100100100111101101100101101011001100010111110100100001001101001011100110010011111
101110000010101100010000111010100110100001110010011001110111111010100000100001001010
01010100011000001011100010010011010110111000110100110111001110101110010001001110101
01110100000101001000100011010101011100000001011000001001110001011101010010101100110000
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00001100101001111000110001101101101101101101101100000101110001110101101101100011
011001011101110010101001110000011011000110101110111000101010110100000011001000011110
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01100111110111100010100011010001011001010010111000110010110111001101000111110010110
00111001110110111101011001000110011010111110001000001101010001110000101101100100110
111101111010010100100110001101111011010001010100101000001100010001110101011001000001
1110100011001001011110110010001011110101001001000001101010011101100111010011110100100
0100101010101100000000111000000110110001101110011010101111000001000110001010111010

```

A. No. This is output of an 11 bit LFSR!

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The Science Behind A LFSR

Q. Are the bits really random?

A. No! Real machines are deterministic.

Q. Will bit pattern repeat itself?

A. Yes, after $2^{11} - 1 = 2047$ steps.

Q. What if I need more bits?

A. Scalable: 20 cells for 1 million bits, 30 for 1 billion.

Q. Will the machine work equally well if we XOR bits 4 and 10?

A. No! Need to understand theory of finite groups.

Q. How many cells do I need to guarantee a certain level of security?

A. Subject of active research.

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What else can we do with a LFSR?

- DVD encryption with CSS.
- DVD decryption with DeCSS!
- Subroutine in military cryptosystems.

```

/*  efdtt.c  Author: Charles M. Hannum <root@ihack.net>  */
/*  Usage is: cat title-key scrambled.vob | efdtt >clear.vob  */

#define m(i) (x[i]^s[i+84])<<

    unsigned char x[5]          ,y,s[2048];main(
n){for( read(0,x,5          );read(0,s ,n=2048
); write(1 ,s,n)          )if(s
[y=s [13]^8^20 /16^4 ==1  ]){int
i=m( 1)17 ^256 +m(0) 8,k ==2)
0,j= m(4) 17^ m(3) 9^k* 2-k^8
^8,a =0,c =26;for (s[y] --m16;
--c;j *=2)a= a*2^i& 1,i=i /2^j&1
<<24;for(j= 127; ++j<n;c<=c>
y)
c
+=y^i^i/8^i>>4^i>>12,
i=i>>8^y<<17,a^=a>>14,y=a^8^a<<6,a=a
>>8^y<<9,k=s[j],k =7^k^_g _216*[k
&7]+2^i^c&3&f&6; *k+>/n. "[k>>4]^2^k*257/
8,s[j]=k^(k&k*2&34)*6^c+-y
;)}
    
```

Reference: <http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~dst/DeCSS/Gallery>

Important properties.

- Built from simple components.
- Scales to handle huge problems.
- Requires a deep understanding to use effectively.

Basic Component	LFSR	Computer
control	start, stop, load	same
clock	regular pulse	2.8 GHz pulse
memory	11 bits	1 GB
input	seed	sequence of bits
computation	shift, XOR	logic, arithmetic, ...
output	pseudo-random bits	Sequence of bits

Critical difference. General purpose machine can be programmed to simulate ANY abstract machine.

Simulating The Abstract Machine in Java

Java program prints same bits as LFSR.

- You'll understand this program by next week.

```

public class LFSR {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int N = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        boolean b10 = false, b9 = true, b8 = true, b7 = false;
        boolean b6 = true, b5 = false, b4 = false, b3 = false;
        boolean b2 = false, b1 = true, b0 = false;

        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
            boolean bit = b8 ^ b10;
            b10 = b9; b9 = b8; b8 = b7; b7 = b6; b6 = b5;
            b5 = b4; b4 = b3; b3 = b2; b2 = b1; b1 = b0;
            b0 = bit;

            if (bit) System.out.print(1);
            else System.out.print(0);
        }
    }
}
    
```

```

% java LFSR 2000
11001001001111011011100101101
01110011000101111110100100001
00110100101111001100100111...
    
```