

# Information and Communications Security WS 16/17 Assignment 3 Cryptography

Fachbereich  
Wirtschaftswissenschaften

Institut für Wirtschaftsinformatik  
Lehrstuhl für M-Business & Multilateral Security  
[www.m-chair.de](http://www.m-chair.de)

**Prof. Dr. Kai Rannenberg**  
**Ahmed S. Yesuf, MSc.**

Telefon +49 (0)69-798 34706  
Telefax +49 (0)69-798 35004  
E-Mail [sec@m-chair.de](mailto:sec@m-chair.de)

Study the following questions and prepare your answers before the **30<sup>th</sup> of November 2016**.

## Exercise 1: (Caesar)

Break the following ciphertext, given that the Caesar cipher was used to encrypt it:

**NZIVSNCZB QA QV OMZUIVG**

(Hint: Start by a permutation of the alphabet by 1, then 2, until 10, stop when the result makes sense in English.)

## Exercise 2: Symmetric vs. asymmetric crypto

- Describe differences between symmetric and asymmetric cryptosystems.

## Exercise 3: Stream ciphers

- What is a one-time pad (Vernam-code)?
- Alice wants to encrypt the letter **A**, where the letter is given in ASCII code. The ASCII value for **A** is  $65_{10} = 1000001_2$ . Using Vernam-code, which of the following keys are suitable to encrypt this plaintext:
  - 10100110
  - 00111111
  - 101010
- Encrypt the message using Vernam code and using XOR as an encryption function and the key in b).

## Exercise 4: Vigenère Cipher

- What is a Vigenère Cipher?
- You want to encrypt the message "**I am studying in Frankfurt**" to your friend living in Berlin. What will be your cypher text encrypted using the key "**Berlin**"? Show the necessary steps (Use the Vigenère tableau below when necessary).

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z  
A A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z  
B B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A  
C C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B  
D D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C  
E E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D  
F F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E  
G G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F  
H H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G  
I I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H  
J J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I  
K K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J  
L L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K  
M M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L  
N N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M  
O O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N  
P P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O  
Q Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P  
R R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q  
S S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R  
T T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S  
U U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T  
V V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U  
W W X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V  
X X Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W  
Y Y Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X  
Z Z A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y