

# Practical Security

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# Encrypt Your Traffic



# HTTPS

- Payload Encryption
- URL Encryption
- Cookie Encryption
- Server Authentication
- Session Hijack Prevention
- Replay Attack Prevention



# App Transport Security

Leave it alone



# Certificate Pinning



# A Lot of Trust

## You Expect...

- » Verisign
- » Network Solutions
- » Thawte
- » RSA
- » Digital Signature Trust

## But Also...

- » AOL, Cisco, Apple, ...
- » US, Japan, Taiwan, ...
- » Camerfirma, Dhimyotis, Echoworx, QuoVadis, Sertifitseerimiskeskus, Starfield, Vaestorekisterikeskus, ...



**It's always riskier to trust yourself  
and someone else, than to just  
trust yourself.**



# Certificate Pinning





```
try! validator = CertificateValidator(
    certificateURL: certificateURL)

session = URLSession(configuration: .default,
    delegate: validator,
    delegateQueue: nil)

task = session.dataTask(with: URLRequest(url: fetchURL)) {
    // ...
}
```

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# Certificate Rotation

Switch

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0 1 2 3 4 5 ...



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- » Use HTTPS for all traffic
- » Pin your certs
- » Rotate certs regularly

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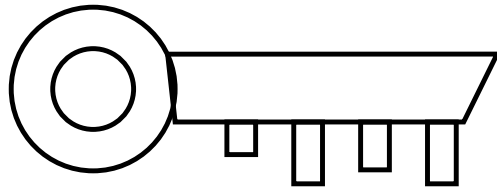
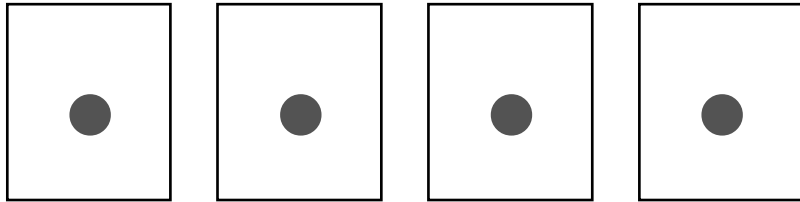
# iOS Encryption

Data Protection

Device Encryption



# Data Protection (Simplified)

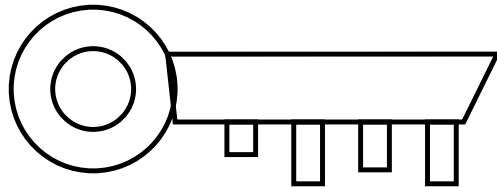
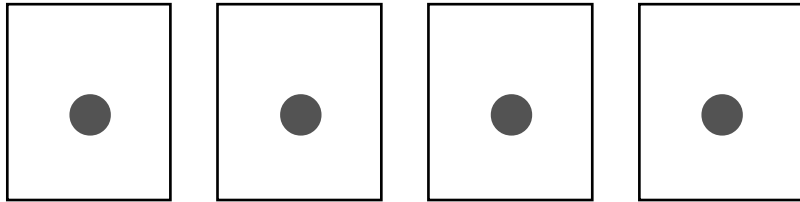


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# Protection Levels


- » Complete
- » Complete Unless Open
- » Complete Until First User Authentication



# How Easy?

▶  **App Groups**

OFF


▶  **HomeKit**

OFF

▼  **Data Protection**

**ON**

Steps:  Add the Data Protection feature to your App ID.  
 Add the Data Protection entitlement to your entitlements file

▶  **HealthKit**

OFF



# Data Protection In Code

```
try data.write(to: url,  
              options: .completeFileProtectionUnlessOpen)
```

```
extension FileManager {  
    func protectFileAtPath(path: String) throws {  
        try setAttributes([  
            .protectionKey:  
                FileProtectionType.completeUnlessOpen  
        ],  
            ofItemAtPath: path)  
    }  
}
```



# UIApplicationDelegate Methods

```
applicationProtectedDataWillBecomeUnavailable(UINavigationController)  
applicationProtectedDataDidBecomeAvailable(UINavigationController)
```

# UIApplication Notifications

```
UIApplicationProtectedDataWillBecomeUnavailable  
UIApplicationProtectedDataDidBecomeAvailable
```

# UIApplication Methods

```
var isProtectedDataAvailable: Bool { get }
```



[https://www.apple.com/business/docs/iOS\\_Security\\_Guide.pdf](https://www.apple.com/business/docs/iOS_Security_Guide.pdf)



# Data Protection

- » Turn it on automatically in Xcode
- » Use Complete by default
- » For background file access, try to use CompleteUnlessOpen
- » Upgrade to Complete as soon as you can

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# Handling Passwords



# Hashing

Password

S3kr3t!



Hash

d39ee8e54a...





# Choose Your Hash

## SHA-2

SHA-224

SHA-256

SHA-384

SHA-512

SHA-512/224

SHA-512/256



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SHA-224

SHA-256

SHA-384

SHA-512

SHA-512/224

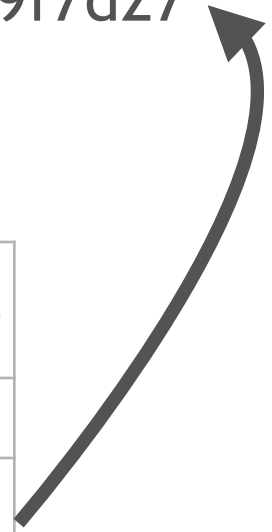
SHA-512/256



# What went wrong At LinkedIn?

d39ee8e54ac7f65311676d0cb92ec248319f7d27

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| Passw0rd       | 2acf37c868c0dd80513a4efa9ab4b4444a4d5c94        |
| MyPass         | b97698a2b0bf77a3e31e089ac5d43e96a8c34132        |
| <b>S3kr3t!</b> | <b>d39ee8e54ac7f65311676d0cb92ec248319f7d27</b> |
| ...            | ...   |



# Salting

## Site 1

S3kr3t! → d39ee8e54ac7f65311676d0cb92ec248319f7d27

## Site 2

S3kr3t! → d39ee8e54ac7f65311676d0cb92ec248319f7d27



# Salting

## Site 1

XXX:S3kr3t! → 48fc6c1a82882c0084185c3e6f317d6cdabfbc88

## Site 2

YYY:S3kr3t! → 7802cd6060f13349da21652e4bc8cd31e3058842



# Deterministic Salt

*Prefix + userid*



com.example.MyGreatSite:robnapier@gmail.com



# Stretching

- » Real passwords are easy to guess
- » To protect against that, make guessing expensive



# Time To Crack

|                         | Guesses per second | Crack 8-char password |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Native</b>           | 1 billion          | 2 months              |
| <b>+80ms/<br/>guess</b> | 12.5               | 15 million years      |





# PBKDF2

```
import CryptoSwift

let password = Array("s33krit".utf8)

let salt = Array(
    "com.example.MyGreatSite:robnapier@gmail.com".utf8
)

let bytes = try PKCS5.PBKDF2(password: password,
                              salt: salt,
                              iterations: 10000,
                              variant: .sha256).calculate()

let data = Data(bytes: bytes)
```

<https://github.com/krzyzanowskim/CryptoSwift>



# Store a Hash

- » Before storing the key in the database, hash it one more time with SHA-2



# Good Password Handling

- » Hash to hide the password
- » Salt to make your hashes unique
- » Stretch to make guessing slow
- » Hash once more before storing



# Correct AES Encryption



# Use My Library

<https://github.com/RNCryptor>



# Using RNCrypto

```
// Encryption
let data: NSData = ...
let password = "Secret password"
let ciphertext = RNCrypto.encryptData(data,
                                     password: password)

// Decryption
do {
    let originalData = try RNCrypto.decryptData(ciphertext,
                                               password: password)
    // ...
} catch { . . . }
```



# RNCryptor Ports

- » Swift
- » Objective-C
- » ANSI C
- » C++
- » C#
- » Erlang
- » Go
- » Haskell
- » Java
- » PHP
- » Python
- » JavaScript
- » Ruby



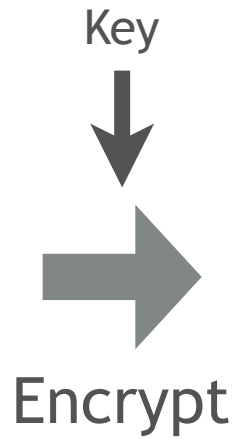
# What is Correct AES?

Hold that thought...



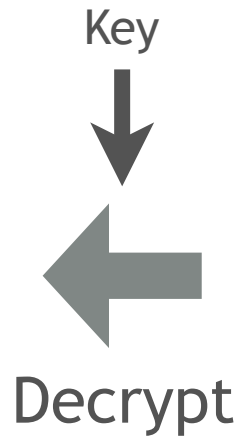


|    |    |    |    |
|----|----|----|----|
| P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 |
| P5 | P6 | P7 | P8 |
| P9 | P1 | P1 | P1 |
| P1 | P1 | P1 | P1 |



|     |     |     |     |
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| C13 | C14 | C15 | C16 |

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# The Helpers

- » Key Generation
- » Block Cipher Modes
- » Authentication



# Incorrect Key Generation

```
// This is broken
```

```
NSString *password = @"P4ssW0rd!";
```

```
char key[kCCKeySizeAES256+1];  
bzero(key, sizeof(key));
```

```
[key getCString:keyPtr maxLength:sizeof(keyPtr)  
                    encoding:NSUTF8StringEncoding];
```

```
// This is broken
```

- » Truncates long passwords
- » Uses only a tiny part of the key space
- » Best case is ~ 0.000001% of a 128-bit key.



**Use a PBKDF  
(scrypt, bcrypt, PBKDF2)**



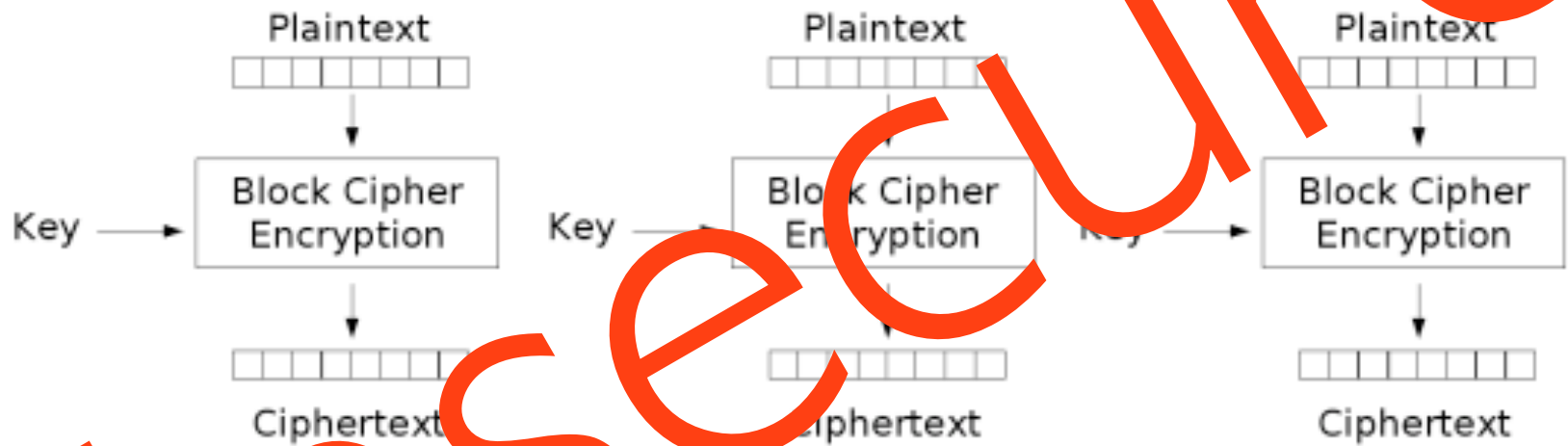
**To be a secure password-based format, we need a salt for PBKDF2. Ideally it should be totally random.**



# Initialization Vector

And Modes of Operation



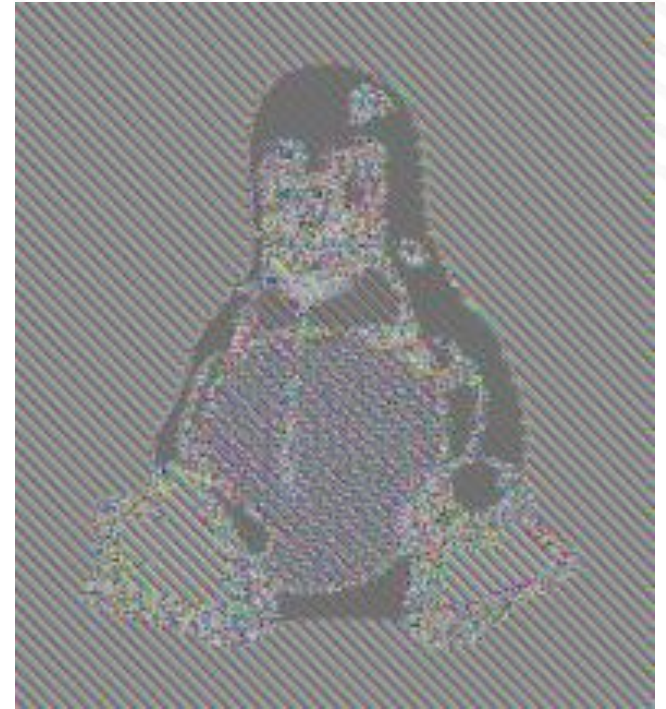
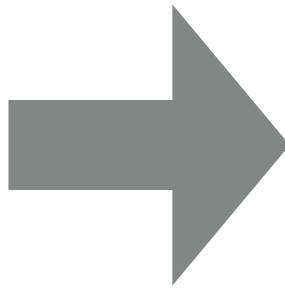


Electronic Codebook (ECB) mode encryption





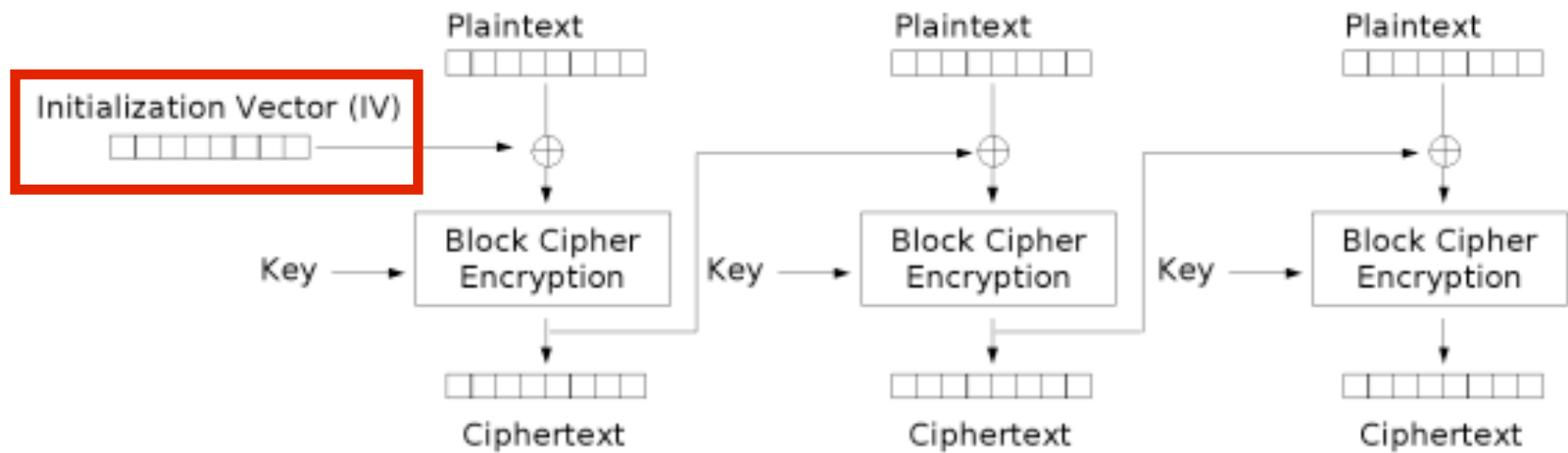
ECB



Source image by Larry Ewing <[lewing@isc.tamu.edu](mailto:lewing@isc.tamu.edu)> and The GIMP







Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode encryption



# So much confusion from one comment

```
CCCryptorStatus CCCryptorCreate(  
    CCOperation op,                /* kCCEncrypt, etc. */  
    CCAgorithm alg,               /* kCCAlgorithmDES, etc. */  
    CCOptions options,           /* kCCOptionPKCS7Padding, etc. */  
    const void *key,             /* raw key material */  
    size_t keyLength,  
    const void *iv,              /* optional initialization vector */  
    CCCryptorRef *cryptorRef)    /* RETURNED */  
__OSX_AVAILABLE_STARTING(__MAC_10_4, __IPHONE_2_0);
```

Use an unpredictable IV, not NULL.



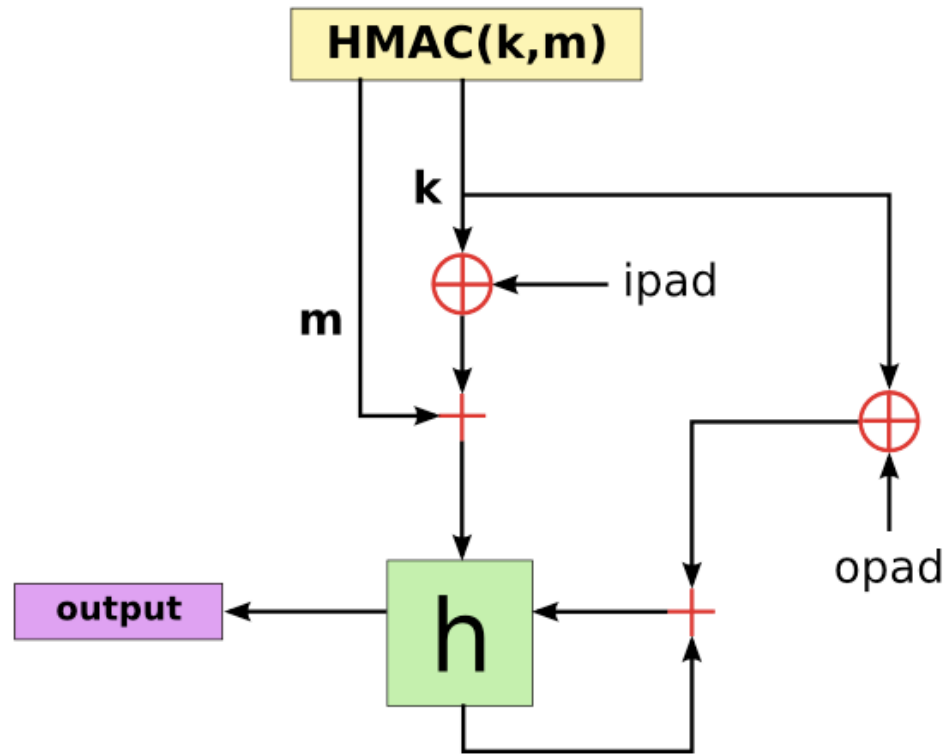
**To be a secure format with CBC,  
we need a random IV.**



# Unauthenticated Encryption



# Hash Based Message Authentication Code



**To be a secure format using CBC,  
we need an HMAC.**



# Encryption Pitfalls

- » Poor KDF choice
- » Truncating multi-byte passwords
- » Insufficiently random salt
- » Key truncation
- » Poor block cipher mode choice
- » Predictable IV
- » No HMAC
- » Failure to HMAC entire message
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**Don't build your own AES format**



# AES Best Practice

- » Key-Derivation Function (PBKDF2)
- » Proper Mode (usually CBC)
- » Random Initialization Vector
- » Authentication (HMAC or authenticated mode)



# Practical Security

- » Encrypt your traffic with SSL
- » Pin and verify your certs (CertificateValidator)
- » Encrypt your files with ProtectionComplete
- » Salt and stretch your passwords
- » Use AES securely



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