

Greetings!

I'm very proud (and quite relieved) to announce that distributed.net has successfully met the CS Communications & Systems CSC encryption challenge. The key was submitted to CS Communications & Systems just moments ago. At the point of success, distributed.net had checked 98.78% of the CSC key space.

At 06:26:52 on 01/16/00, we received a success key, 00438EF36FE3FC21. I haven't contacted the user yet, so I can only say that the computer that found the key was a Sun Sparc in the United States running Solaris and version v2.8002 of the DCTI client. More information will be made available when (s)he agrees.

The secret message is: CS-Cipher a ete presente en mars 97 a 'Fast Software Encryption' (PARIS). Congratulations to the winner!

As of 01/16/2000 at 10:08:48, distributed.net has received official congratulations from CS and a confirmation that we have solved the CSC challenge.

Users can expect an official press release with far more information and statistics within a few hours. Please standby for more details.

Thanks again for all your support and dedication.