

# Classical Ciphers

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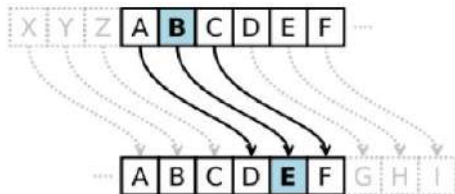
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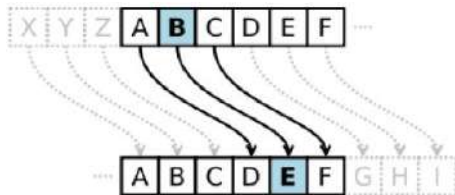


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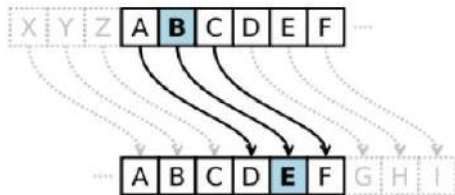


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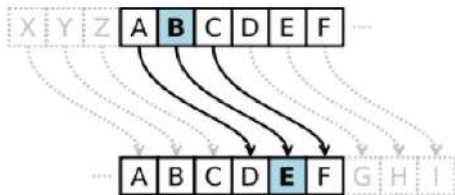
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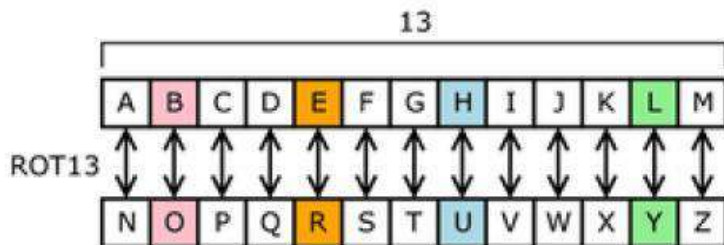
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- # of possibilities = 26.
- On average, a plaintext will be computed after trying 13 decryption rules.



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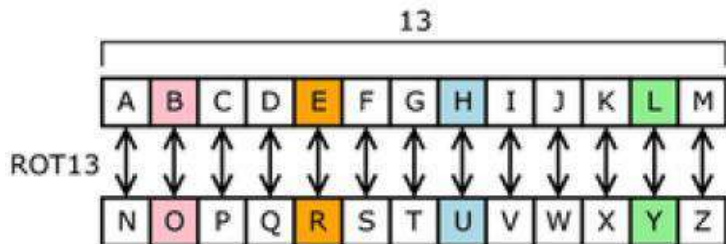


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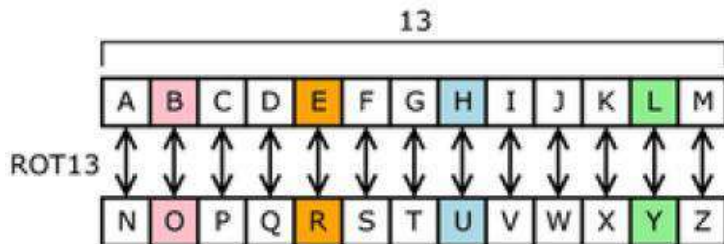


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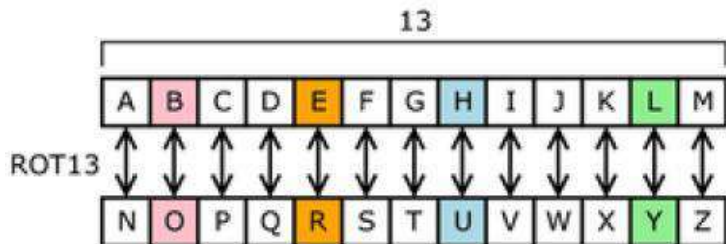
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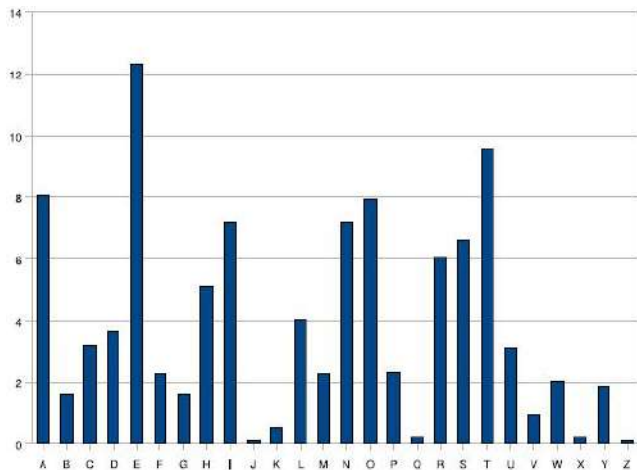
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T	9.0%	L	4.0%	B	1.5%
A	8.2%	U	2.8%	V	1.0%
O	7.5%	C	2.8%	K	0.8%
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he	2.51	nt	1.10	hi	0.72	ta	0.56
an	1.72	ed	1.07	le	0.72	ce	0.55
in	1.69	is	1.06	so	0.71	ic	0.55
er	1.54	ar	1.01	as	0.67	ll	0.55
re	1.48	ou	0.96	no	0.65	na	0.54
es	1.45	te	0.94	ne	0.64	ro	0.54
on	1.45	of	0.94	ec	0.64	ot	0.53
ea	1.31	it	0.88	io	0.63	tt	0.53
ti	1.28	ha	0.84	rt	0.63	ve	0.53
at	1.24	se	0.84	co	0.59	ns	0.51
st	1.21	et	0.80	be	0.58	ur	0.49
en	1.20	al	0.77	di	0.57	me	0.48
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**Trigram:** the, and, ent, ion, tio, for, nde, ...



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C	13	41	62									
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E	14	16	24	44	46	55	57	64	74	82	87	98
F	10	31										
G	06	25										
H	23	39	50	56	65	68						
I	32	70	73	83	88	93						
J	15											
K	04											
L	26	37	51	84								
M	22	27										
N	18	58	59	66	71	91						
O	00	05	07	54	72	90	99					
P	38	95										
Q	94											
R	29	35	40	42	77	80						
S	11	19	38	76	86	96						
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U	08	61	83									
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**Plaintext**

Information System Security

**Ciphertext**

73 91 31 05 35 27 92 69 83 05 91 86 21 19 85 64 22 96 98 41 08 80 93 20 52



# Polygraphic Cipher

- A polygraphic cipher is using substitution of a group of characters in the plaintext alphabet, known as "*poligraph*".

## Playfair Cipher

- First choose an encryption key, say, **POINTS**.
- Enter the letters of the key in the cells of a  $5 \times 5$  matrix in a left to right fashion starting with the first cell at the top-left corner.
- Fill the rest of the cells of the matrix with the remaining letters in alphabetic order.
- The letters **I** and **J** are assigned the same cell.



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## Vigenère Cipher

- A key of the form  $K = (k_0, k_1, \dots, k_{n-1})$ , where each  $k_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, 25\}$ , is used to encipher the plaintext.
- Each  $k_i$  represents a particular shift of the alphabet.
- To encrypt a message

$$C_i \equiv (P_i + k_i \bmod n) \bmod 26$$

- To decrypt

$$P_i \equiv (C_i - k_i \bmod n) \bmod 26$$

### Exercise

Find the **key space** of Vigenère Cipher when the length of keyword  $n$

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# Analysis

- A poly-alphabetic substitution cipher uses multiple simple substitutions to encrypt a message
- A polyalphabetic substitution does not preserve plaintext letter frequencies to the same degree as a mono-alphabetic substitution.
- However, if the length keyword is known and the message is long enough, we can transform this into class of simple substitution.



# Analysis

## How to determine the length of an unknown keyword

### ● Kasiski Test

- It relies on the occasional coincidental alignment of letter groups in plaintext with the keyword.
- It was described by **Friedrich Kasiski in 1863**; however, it was apparently discovered earlier, **around 1854, by Charles Babbage**.
- It is based on the observation that 2 identical segments of plaintext will be encrypted to the same ciphertext whenever their occurrence in the plaintext is  $\delta$  positions apart.
- We find repeated letter groups in the ciphertext and tabulate the separations between them.
- The **gcd of these separations** gives a possible length for the keyword.



# Analysis

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

- The string **CHR** appears at positions **1, 166, 236, 276**, and **286**.
- The distances from the **1st** occurrence to the other **4** occurrences are **165, 235, 275**, and **285** resp.
- The **gcd** of these **4** integers is **5**, so that is very likely the keyword length.

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- The index of coincidence of English text  $\approx 0.065$ .
- $I$  for a random text  $\approx 0.03846$ .
- For any English ciphertext the index of coincidence  $I$  must satisfy  $0.03846 \leq I \leq 0.065$ .





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# Exercises

## Exercise

- 1 Let  $p$  be prime. Find the number of  $3 \times 3$  invertible matrices over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .
- 2 Find the number of  $n \times n$  invertible matrices over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .
- 3 Find the number of  $n \times n$  invertible matrices over  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^\alpha}$ .
- 4 Find the number of  $n \times n$  invertible matrices over  $\mathbb{Z}_m$ .



# Cryptography During The French and American Wars in Vietnam

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**ABSTRACT.** After Vietnam's Declaration of Independence on 2 September 1945, the country had to suffer through two long, brutal wars, first against the French and then against the Americans, before finally in 1975 becoming a unified country free of colonial domination. Our purpose is to examine the role of cryptography in those two wars. Despite the far greater technological resources of their opponents, the communications intelligence specialists of the Việt Minh, the National Liberation Front, and the Democratic Republic of Vietnam had considerable success in both protecting Vietnamese communications and acquiring tactical and strategic secrets from the enemy. Perhaps surprisingly, in both wars there was a balance between the sides. Generally speaking, cryptographic knowledge and protocol design were at a high level at the central commands, but deployment for tactical communications in the field was difficult, and there were many failures on all sides.

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# Classical Ciphers

- These ciphers are **too weak nowadays, too easy to break**, especially with computers.
- However, these simple ciphers give a good illustration of several of the important ideas of the **cryptography and cryptanalysis**.
- Moreover, most of them can be very **useful in combination** with more modern cipher – to add a new level of security.



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  - Substitution Ciphers
- 2 Codebook Cipher
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# Codebook Cipher

- Literally, a book filled with “codes”
  - More precisely, **2 codebooks**, 1 for *encryption* and other for *decryption*
- Key itself is the codebook
- Security of cipher requires physical security for codebook
- Codebooks widely used through WWII



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- If blocks are large enough, then frequency analysis becomes impossible (infeasible).



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- So, why not distribute message instead of pad?





# Real-World One-Time Pad

- Project **VENONA**
  - Encrypted spy messages from U.S. to Moscow in 30's, 40's & 50's
  - Nuclear espionage, etc.
  - Thousands of messages
- Spy carried one-time pad into U.S.
- Spy used key to encrypt secret messages
- Repeats within the "one-time" key made cryptanalysis possible



# VENONA Decrypt (1944)

*[C% Ruth] learned that her husband [v] was called up by the army but he was not sent to the front. He is a mechanical engineer and is now working at the ENORMOUS [ENORMOZ] [vi] plant in SANTA FE, New Mexico. [45 groups unrecoverable] detain VOLOK [vii] who is working in a plant on ENORMOUS. He is a FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN [ZEMLYaK] [viii]. Yesterday he learned that they had dismissed him from his work. His active work in progressive organizations in the past was cause of his dismissal. In the FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN line LIBERAL is in touch with CHESTER [ix]. They meet once a month for the payment of dues. CHESTER is interested in whether we are satisfied with the collaboration and whether there are not any misunderstandings. He does not inquire about specific items of work [KONKRETNAYa RABOTA]. In as much as CHESTER knows about the role of LIBERAL's group we beg consent to ask C. through LIBERAL about leads from among people who are working on ENOURMOUS and in other technical fields.*

- “Ruth” == Ruth Greenglass, “Liberal” == Julius Rosenberg,  
“Enormous” == the atomic bomb



# Self Study

## Machine Ciphers

- **Enigma** – German
- **Purple** – Japan
- **SIGABA** (US Army)/**ECM** (Electric Cipher Machine (US Navy))



# The End

**Thanks a lot for your attention!**

