

Project 2 (20 points)

INSTRUCTIONS: You may use any computer language or mathematical software for this project. Submit well-commented source code or computer algebra system code along with your output. Avoid submitting zipped files. **You should submit your files as separate unzipped files. Output file should be in a pdf file format.** Your program need not create pdf files directly. But in that case, you should convert them into pdf file and submit.

Project should be typed. Any handwritten parts will not be graded.

Consider the ciphered text which is encrypted by using Vigenère Cipher:

LAVHEBSJMDINFGXCLWTUUWARWBQWFTEHWUDDTCAAKTXTSMYALMVHTAHJHKICFAFZKLEXA
TXIXYMFVLVGUDALRFJTTGKXNLOYOWL VVVQAFKVGEZLEHEXHEZGPVZEDOWARZEAFSGVASOS
DXJIEZESBEWTDWSFGVOPMUMJENPKWKMMCKVXJMGZWVBEEWMLARXGUNWLLWEDKKHCICAF
LKFPOHWJTTGEEKLHKLEUJVTKEAESJXJYLFDSPVRFAJUXDINFALFQEFAEXJYNMTDXKSRQU
GOVVTTWUHEXEZLGYVPEOLJHEMCOGEFLRIOSLBFRSRJGFKLEFWUAESLAYQIISVUVWKVZEZA
FKVWPAFKXKSAOGMKKSRPWJHIHUXQSNKLODARXUAADJSGKMSEMWWSCARWVXIELVMVZVJODW
PTDTLQESGPGOYEMGZGAFAGGJWEDNAVWNAOWGTVYBLUXIXAUFUHDQUZAUTKMOZKTRUIFMM
DMNMTTLZXBIYZWUXJWADQLHUICDQHMKLEOGEFLRIOSLBFRSEGDGCCIZLZXYENPKGYKLEQF
VNJIRFZALRTPXAWLSSTTOZXEXHQVSMRMSUFEHKMOZGNXIILQULKFRIOFWMNSRWGKRXRQK
LHEENQDVKVOZAUWVZIOWAYKLEOGEFLRIOSLBFRSBJGOZHEDAKLVVVQVOBKLAISJKRRTTEW
WDZRGFZGLVGOYEMGZGAFAGGJXHQBHMMDQJUTEROFHJHMMDQLZXUETMTWVRYSQALARWDQK
AZEIDFZWMVGHZGDHXC SGUZMYETULUTEROFTWTTGEEKWWSCAZQLAZVDBSJMPAEPGFHKLAW
SGPWIXNWKSYLXWLLRRDFZWWZCGKKBFRSIALAZRTTWQVGUFANXSVAZUZTIIISFADEFRGAA
FZNLIXWLAVVETSKGFXYQLTXVRAPWUBJMOZOXKLEDLGLVIKXWYBJPAFAGGNIMGKLPFVKIA
LATSNSJWLJMNPMKMICAOVSXDMCEHJBMECKYJHLTSMFVHKLEDKLHTVARLSGRTPDGSVYXHTML
SWUVEEKWLRPLAXLAVQUXLAICICAEHXXMNSUGGTIRZKLARXHMNWUVINFZWYFGUEGXLFQUOZ
VXSETQTMNIMCFSECEGDWWMYETIWOBPNQWVHEKOUFYAFREELSGUMNRGJFVHPGTDBTHENS
LXRFOGLZHNFEELLHGVOFWUMCMBQJLRRRDEWUNIMTKAFUFXHAMJERASMFVHLVTQUZGFPQSQ

Part 1: Suppose we made a guess by other methods that the key word length is 7.

Calculate the index of coincidences for the above ciphered text by assuming $m = 6, 7, 8$ and verify that the index of coincidences method supports our guess that $m = 7$. You may manually type the reason why your calculations below support our guess.

- Step(1): $m = 6$, Split the cipher text into six substrings $y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6$ as explained in the class, and calculate the index of coincidence for each substring. You will have to list six numbers here (not just their average).
- Step(2): $m = 7$, Split the cipher text into seven substrings $y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7$ as explained in the class, and calculate the index of coincidence for each substring. You will have to get seven numbers here.
- Step(3): $m = 8$, Split the cipher text into eight substrings $y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7, y_8$ as explained in the class, and calculate the index of coincidence for each substring. You will have to get eight numbers here.
- Step(4): Do your outputs verify that $m = 7$ is the correct guess? Say yes or no, and briefly explain your reason.

Part 2: Create a table with 7 columns (one for each substring $y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7$ as given in slide 26 of sec2.4.pdf in class notes. By using the table, find the keyword. Your keyword should be a meaningful English word. If your keyword is correct, it should lead you to a meaningful plaintext.

Part 3: By using your keyword, decrypt the given cipher text. You should include spaces between words and insert period (.) at the end of each sentence and capitalize the first letter of each sentence so that the grader should be able to read your plaintext easily. Otherwise, points will be reduced. Your plaintext should be typed and neatly formatted to receive full credit.