

Homework 02

Solutions

Question 1

Guess Key Length

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In[93]:= ciphertext = StringSplit[
  "AWQEIWLDIGTVPMNRBQKEEDGVYEQTIDZNUMTEQPKBJPVGSTAVIRZVVLEMIPOAYLQJHLDKRGYWLIA
  YOVSDZWGEZZVAINMULESIEFTEPXGHIYBQXHEJQSksMTWIDBGVWLATIAOQPKBFBKXHLLPSPTA
  KVYRPAQVCZVXIRDIVMOYAKRIEIPHWSIVMSEPGYSPWHEBZWMXHZCILTLTKGEHQVLOFBRMCECA
  TISZZESNGMTWAEQQRSZAJIWLAESENDOFIRTVIMNSMTSWYUKRDLAYILWIUWHPKQYLNQVTSMJ
  STOIAQAOMJIRQMGPVPZAWLPMRCAYLUXUAQFAHPBJIREPGLPIUYRPWHQAVQPKAOIKWYNPCM
  NHWWPDMMYSREPVLLEEZQYBWMQJGPBVMNRCRENOXKGKTVIXHPLCMSTMUAHPVUYDOMPPYLEJMT
  PZCFBTBYMTSXKRKPGGWRLVEPODMDCHPZ", ""];
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In[94]:= MapIndexed[#2 ~Join~ {Count[#, True]} &, Table[
  SameQ[ciphertext[[i]], ciphertext[[i + j]]], {j, 30}, {i, Length[ciphertext] - j}]]
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Out[94]= {{1, 11}, {2, 15}, {3, 11}, {4, 16}, {5, 24}, {6, 12}, {7, 25}, {8, 18},
  {9, 14}, {10, 29}, {11, 11}, {12, 10}, {13, 14}, {14, 14}, {15, 34}, {16, 16},
  {17, 10}, {18, 25}, {19, 16}, {20, 28}, {21, 18}, {22, 15}, {23, 19},
  {24, 12}, {25, 22}, {26, 14}, {27, 13}, {28, 17}, {29, 17}, {30, 47}}
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Most coincidences occur at 5, 10, 15, 20,

Guess a key length of 5

Partition Ciphertext Blocks

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block1 = Table[ciphertext[[i]], {i, 1, Length[ciphertext], 5}]
block2 = Table[ciphertext[[i]], {i, 2, Length[ciphertext], 5}]
block3 = Table[ciphertext[[i]], {i, 3, Length[ciphertext], 5}]
block4 = Table[ciphertext[[i]], {i, 4, Length[ciphertext], 5}]
block5 = Table[ciphertext[[i]], {i, 5, Length[ciphertext], 5}]

Out[95]= {A, W, G, N, E, Y, D, T, B, S, R, E, A, H, G, I, D, E, I, E, E, I, H, K, I, W, A, B, H, P, R, C,
          R, O, I, W, S, S, B, H, T, E, O, C, S, N, A, S, W, N, R, N, W, D, L, H, L, T, T, A, R, V, L,
          A, U, H, R, L, R, A, A, Y, N, D, R, E, B, G, N, N, K, H, S, H, D, Y, T, B, T, K, R, O, H}

Out[96]= {W, L, T, R, E, E, Z, E, J, T, Z, M, Y, L, Y, Y, Z, N, S, P, Y, P, S, D, L, O, F, L, T, P, Z,
          D, Y, E, S, E, P, Z, Z, L, H, F, E, Z, G, E, Z, L, D, T, S, Y, L, W, P, O, S, O, O, Q, P, P,
          Y, A, P, E, P, P, V, O, N, H, M, E, E, W, P, R, O, T, P, T, P, O, L, P, T, S, P, L, D, P}

Out[97]= {Q, A, V, B, D, Q, N, Q, P, A, V, I, L, D, W, O, W, Z, M, I, X, B, J, M, B, A, Q, B, L, K, A, V,
          I, A, I, I, P, W, W, C, T, Q, B, C, Z, M, Q, A, A, Q, V, M, U, A, I, K, N, M, I, M, M, Z, M,
          L, Q, B, P, I, W, Q, I, P, W, M, P, Z, M, B, C, X, V, L, M, V, M, E, Z, B, X, G, V, M, Z}

Out[98]= {E, D, P, Q, G, T, U, P, G, V, V, P, Q, K, V, V, P, V, U, F, G, Q, Q, T, G, T, P, K, P, V, Q, X,
          V, K, P, V, G, H, M, I, K, V, R, T, E, T, Q, J, E, F, I, T, K, Y, U, Q, Q, J, A, J, G, A,
          R, U, F, J, G, U, H, P, K, C, W, Y, V, Q, V, R, K, I, C, U, U, P, J, C, Y, K, G, E, D}

Out[99]= {I, I, M, K, V, I, M, K, V, I, L, O, J, R, L, S, G, A, L, T, H, X, S, W, V, I, K, X, S, Y, V, I,
          M, R, H, M, Y, E, X, L, G, L, M, I, S, W, R, I, S, I, M, S, R, I, W, Y, V, S, Q, I, P, W,
          C, X, A, I, T, Y, Q, K, W, M, P, S, L, Y, J, M, E, G, X, M, A, Y, P, M, F, M, R, W, P, C}

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Count Letter Frequencies

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In[119]:= freq1 = Rule[First[#], N[Last[#] / Length[block1]]] & /@ Tally[block1]
freq2 = Rule[First[#], N[Last[#] / Length[block2]]] & /@ Tally[block2]
freq3 = Rule[First[#], N[Last[#] / Length[block3]]] & /@ Tally[block3]
freq4 = Rule[First[#], N[Last[#] / Length[block4]]] & /@ Tally[block4]
freq5 = Rule[First[#], N[Last[#] / Length[block5]]] & /@ Tally[block5]

Out[119]= {A → 0.0860215, W → 0.0537634, G → 0.0322581, N → 0.0752688, E → 0.0752688,
Y → 0.0322581, D → 0.0537634, T → 0.0645161, B → 0.0537634, S → 0.0645161,
R → 0.0967742, H → 0.0967742, I → 0.0537634, K → 0.0322581, P → 0.0107527,
C → 0.0215054, O → 0.0322581, L → 0.0430108, V → 0.0107527, U → 0.0107527}

Out[120]= {W → 0.0322581, L → 0.0967742, T → 0.0752688, R → 0.0215054, E → 0.107527,
Z → 0.0967742, J → 0.0107527, M → 0.0215054, Y → 0.0752688, N → 0.0215054,
S → 0.0645161, P → 0.172043, D → 0.0430108, O → 0.0752688, F → 0.0215054,
H → 0.0215054, G → 0.0107527, Q → 0.0107527, A → 0.0107527, V → 0.0107527}

Out[121]= {Q → 0.0967742, A → 0.0860215, V → 0.0752688, B → 0.0860215,
D → 0.0215054, N → 0.0215054, P → 0.0537634, I → 0.0967742,
L → 0.0430108, W → 0.0645161, O → 0.0107527, Z → 0.0645161,
M → 0.139785, X → 0.0322581, J → 0.0107527, K → 0.0215054, C → 0.0322581,
T → 0.0107527, U → 0.0107527, E → 0.0107527, G → 0.0107527}

Out[122]= {E → 0.0434783, D → 0.0217391, P → 0.0978261, Q → 0.108696, G → 0.0869565,
T → 0.0652174, U → 0.076087, V → 0.119565, K → 0.0869565, F → 0.0326087,
X → 0.0108696, H → 0.0217391, M → 0.0108696, I → 0.0326087, R → 0.0326087,
J → 0.0543478, Y → 0.0326087, A → 0.0217391, C → 0.0326087, W → 0.0108696}

Out[123]= {I → 0.130435, M → 0.119565, K → 0.0434783, V → 0.0543478, L → 0.0652174, O → 0.0108696,
J → 0.0217391, R → 0.0543478, S → 0.0869565, G → 0.0326087, A → 0.0326087,
T → 0.0217391, H → 0.0217391, X → 0.0543478, W → 0.0652174, Y → 0.0652174,
E → 0.0217391, Q → 0.0217391, P → 0.0434783, C → 0.0217391, F → 0.0108696}
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Convert Frequencies To Vector

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In[126]:= nullfreq = Rule[#, 0] & /@ CharacterRange["A", "Z"]

Out[126]= {A → 0, B → 0, C → 0, D → 0, E → 0, F → 0, G → 0, H → 0, I → 0, J → 0, K → 0, L → 0, M → 0,
N → 0, O → 0, P → 0, Q → 0, R → 0, S → 0, T → 0, U → 0, V → 0, W → 0, X → 0, Y → 0, Z → 0}
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In[128]:= vector1 = (CharacterRange["A", "Z"] /. freq1) /. nullfreq
vector2 = (CharacterRange["A", "Z"] /. freq2) /. nullfreq
vector3 = (CharacterRange["A", "Z"] /. freq3) /. nullfreq
vector4 = (CharacterRange["A", "Z"] /. freq4) /. nullfreq
vector5 = (CharacterRange["A", "Z"] /. freq5) /. nullfreq

Out[128]= {0.0860215, 0.0537634, 0.0215054, 0.0537634, 0.0752688, 0, 0.0322581, 0.0967742,
0.0537634, 0, 0.0322581, 0.0430108, 0, 0.0752688, 0.0322581, 0.0107527, 0,
0.0967742, 0.0645161, 0.0645161, 0.0107527, 0.0107527, 0.0537634, 0, 0.0322581, 0}

Out[129]= {0.0107527, 0, 0, 0.0430108, 0.107527, 0.0215054, 0.0107527, 0.0215054, 0, 0.0107527,
0, 0.0967742, 0.0215054, 0.0215054, 0.0752688, 0.172043, 0.0107527, 0.0215054,
0.0645161, 0.0752688, 0, 0.0107527, 0.0322581, 0, 0.0752688, 0.0967742}

Out[130]= {0.0860215, 0.0860215, 0.0322581, 0.0215054, 0.0107527, 0, 0.0107527, 0, 0.0967742,
0.0107527, 0.0215054, 0.0430108, 0.139785, 0.0215054, 0.0107527, 0.0537634,
0.0967742, 0, 0, 0.0107527, 0.0107527, 0.0752688, 0.0645161, 0.0322581, 0, 0.0645161}

Out[131]= {0.0217391, 0, 0.0326087, 0.0217391, 0.0434783, 0.0326087, 0.0869565, 0.0217391,
0.0326087, 0.0543478, 0.0869565, 0, 0.0108696, 0, 0, 0.0978261, 0.108696,
0.0326087, 0, 0.0652174, 0.076087, 0.119565, 0.0108696, 0.0108696, 0.0326087, 0}

Out[132]= {0.0326087, 0, 0.0217391, 0, 0.0217391, 0.0108696, 0.0326087, 0.0217391, 0.130435,
0.0217391, 0.0434783, 0.0652174, 0.119565, 0, 0.0108696, 0.0434783, 0.0217391,
0.0543478, 0.0869565, 0.0217391, 0, 0.0543478, 0.0652174, 0.0543478, 0.0652174, 0}
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Dot Vectors with Shifted English Frequencies

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In[133]:= EnglishShift[n_] :=
RotateRight[{0.082, 0.015, 0.028, 0.043, 0.127, 0.022, 0.020, 0.061,
0.070, 0.002, 0.008, 0.040, 0.024, 0.067, 0.075, 0.019, 0.001, 0.060,
0.063, 0.091, 0.028, 0.010, 0.023, 0.001, 0.02, 0.001}, n]

In[171]:= Table[{i, Dot[vector1, EnglishShift[i]]}, {i, 0, 25}]
SortBy[% , Last][[-1]]

Table[{i, Dot[vector2, EnglishShift[i]]}, {i, 0, 25}]
SortBy[% , Last][[-1]]

Table[{i, Dot[vector3, EnglishShift[i]]}, {i, 0, 25}]
SortBy[% , Last][[-1]]

Table[{i, Dot[vector4, EnglishShift[i]]}, {i, 0, 25}]
SortBy[% , Last][[-1]]

Table[{i, Dot[vector5, EnglishShift[i]]}, {i, 0, 25}]
SortBy[% , Last][[-1]]
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Out[171]= {{0, 0.0583226}, {1, 0.0305484}, {2, 0.0302796}, {3, 0.0437957}, {4, 0.0421828},
{5, 0.0336237}, {6, 0.0353548}, {7, 0.0400968}, {8, 0.0323763}, {9, 0.0392796},
{10, 0.0392151}, {11, 0.039043}, {12, 0.031086}, {13, 0.0466129},
{14, 0.0430538}, {15, 0.0457634}, {16, 0.0348602}, {17, 0.0335376},
{18, 0.0366129}, {19, 0.0410323}, {20, 0.0370753}, {21, 0.0307097},
{22, 0.0453226}, {23, 0.0333333}, {24, 0.0340215}, {25, 0.0438602}},

Out[172]= {0, 0.0583226}

Out[173]= {{0, 0.0478172}, {1, 0.0415591}, {2, 0.0313548}, {3, 0.0335161},
{4, 0.0395484}, {5, 0.0336667}, {6, 0.0349892}, {7, 0.0510215}, {8, 0.0367097},
{9, 0.023043}, {10, 0.0386344}, {11, 0.0716129}, {12, 0.0406237},
{13, 0.0323333}, {14, 0.0329785}, {15, 0.041086}, {16, 0.0294731}, {17, 0.036},
{18, 0.0385054}, {19, 0.0334839}, {20, 0.0312581}, {21, 0.0388602},
{22, 0.0477742}, {23, 0.0409247}, {24, 0.0383118}, {25, 0.035914}},

Out[174]= {11, 0.0716129}

Out[175]= {{0, 0.0307742}, {1, 0.0351075}, {2, 0.034086}, {3, 0.0332043}, {4, 0.0462581},
{5, 0.0334839}, {6, 0.0285484}, {7, 0.0392796}, {8, 0.0689247}, {9, 0.041828},
{10, 0.0315161}, {11, 0.0316452}, {12, 0.0474731}, {13, 0.0323763},
{14, 0.0341183}, {15, 0.0366989}, {16, 0.0335806}, {17, 0.0332151},
{18, 0.0372903}, {19, 0.0445806}, {20, 0.0401398}, {21, 0.0449355},
{22, 0.0396452}, {23, 0.0470323}, {24, 0.0391935}, {25, 0.0360645}},

Out[176]= {8, 0.0689247}

Out[177]= {{0, 0.0303804}, {1, 0.040087}, {2, 0.0637935}, {3, 0.0428913}, {4, 0.0362174},
{5, 0.0328696}, {6, 0.0416848}, {7, 0.0364891}, {8, 0.0397391}, {9, 0.0323152},
{10, 0.0310326}, {11, 0.0353696}, {12, 0.044337}, {13, 0.0442391},
{14, 0.0337174}, {15, 0.0419022}, {16, 0.0451304}, {17, 0.0497717},
{18, 0.0347174}, {19, 0.033837}, {20, 0.0287283}, {21, 0.0345326},
{22, 0.0363152}, {23, 0.038337}, {24, 0.040663}, {25, 0.0319022}},

Out[178]= {2, 0.0637935}

Out[179]= {{0, 0.0390435}, {1, 0.0332283}, {2, 0.0322391}, {3, 0.0358261}, {4, 0.0623043},
{5, 0.0436087}, {6, 0.034}, {7, 0.0380543}, {8, 0.0497717}, {9, 0.0319783},
{10, 0.0379022}, {11, 0.0358804}, {12, 0.0332826}, {13, 0.0299783},
{14, 0.0389674}, {15, 0.0419674}, {16, 0.0353804}, {17, 0.0406957},
{18, 0.0413804}, {19, 0.0438261}, {20, 0.0430217}, {21, 0.0363913},
{22, 0.0323152}, {23, 0.0348696}, {24, 0.0417391}, {25, 0.0333478}},

Out[180]= {4, 0.0623043}

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Max Dot Products Occur At:

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In[191]:= FromCharacterCode[0 + 65]
FromCharacterCode[11 + 65]
FromCharacterCode[8 + 65]
FromCharacterCode[2 + 65]
FromCharacterCode[4 + 65]
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Out[191]= A

Out[192]= L

Out[193]= I

Out[194]= C

Out[195]= E

The key is: "alice"

Decrypt Message

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In[196]:= ciphertext
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Out[196]= {A, W, Q, E, I, W, L, A, D, I, G, T, V, P, M, N, R, B, Q, K, E, E, D, G, V, Y, E, Q, T, I,
D, Z, N, U, M, T, E, Q, P, K, B, J, P, G, V, S, T, A, V, I, R, Z, V, V, L, E, M, I, P,
O, A, Y, L, Q, J, H, L, D, K, R, G, Y, W, V, L, I, Y, O, V, S, D, Z, W, P, G, E, Z, Z,
V, A, I, N, M, U, L, E, S, I, F, T, E, P, X, G, H, I, Y, B, Q, X, H, P, J, Q, S, K, S,
M, T, W, I, D, B, G, V, W, L, A, T, I, A, O, Q, P, K, B, F, B, K, X, H, L, L, P, S, P,
T, K, V, Y, R, P, A, Q, V, C, Z, V, X, I, R, D, I, V, M, O, Y, A, K, R, I, E, I, P, H,
W, S, I, V, M, S, E, P, G, Y, S, P, W, H, E, B, Z, W, M, X, H, Z, C, I, L, T, L, T, K,
G, E, H, Q, V, L, O, F, B, R, M, C, E, C, T, I, S, Z, E, S, N, G, M, T, W, A, E, Q,
Q, R, S, Z, A, J, I, W, L, A, E, S, N, D, Q, F, I, R, T, V, I, M, N, S, M, T, S, W, Y,
U, K, R, D, L, A, Y, I, L, W, I, U, W, H, P, K, Q, Y, L, O, N, Q, V, T, S, M, J, S, T,
O, I, A, Q, A, O, M, J, I, R, Q, M, G, P, V, P, Z, A, W, L, P, M, R, C, A, Y, L, U, X,
U, A, Q, F, A, H, P, B, J, I, R, E, P, G, T, L, P, I, U, Y, R, P, W, H, Q, A, V, Q, P,
K, A, O, I, K, W, Y, N, P, C, M, N, H, W, W, P, D, M, M, Y, S, R, E, P, V, L, E, E, Z,
Q, Y, B, W, M, Q, J, G, P, B, V, M, N, R, C, R, E, N, O, X, K, G, K, T, V, I, X, H, P,
L, C, M, S, T, M, U, A, H, P, V, U, Y, D, O, M, P, P, Y, L, E, J, M, T, P, Z, C, F,
B, T, B, Y, M, T, S, X, K, R, K, P, G, G, W, R, L, V, E, P, O, D, M, D, C, H, P, Z}
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Subtract key from ciphertext

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In[215]:= FromCharacterCode[  
  Mod[Flatten[ToCharacterCode /@ ciphertext - ToCharacterCode /@ key] + 97, 26, 97]]  
  
Out[215]= alicewasbeginningtogetverytiredofsittingbyhersisteronthebankandofhavingnothingtod:  
  oonceortwiceshehadpeepedintothethebookhersisterwasreadingbutithadnopicturesorcon:  
  versationsinitandwhatistheuseofabookthoughtalicewithoutpicturesorconversation:  
  soshewasconsideringinherownmindaswellasshecouldforthehotdaymadeherfeelverysle:  
  epyandstupidwhetherthepleasureofmakingadaisychainwouldbeworththetroubleofgett:  
  inupandpickingthedaisieswhensuddenlyawhiterabbitwithpinkeyesranclosebyher
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Question 2

Build Polybius Square

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StringSplit["PERSPECTIVE", ""]
key = DeleteDuplicates[%]

Out[219]= {P, E, R, S, P, E, C, T, I, V, E}

Out[220]= {P, E, R, S, C, T, I, V}

CharacterRange["A", "Z"]
Select[%, ! MemberQ[key, #] &]
remainingLetters = DeleteCases[remainingLetters, "J"]

Out[233]= {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}

Out[234]= {A, B, D, F, G, H, J, K, L, M, N, O, Q, U, W, X, Y, Z}

Out[235]= {A, B, D, F, G, H, K, L, M, N, O, Q, U, W, X, Y, Z}

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In[236]:= polybius = Partition[Join[key, remainingLetters], 5];
TableForm[%]
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Out[237]/TableForm=
P   E   R   S   C
T   I   V   A   B
D   F   G   H   K
L   M   N   O   Q
U   W   X   Y   Z
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Pad and Block Plaintext

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In[292]:= plaintext = StringSplit[ToUpperCase[StringReplace[
"whenyouhaveahammereverythingjustlookslikeanail", {"j" → "i"}]], ""]

blocktext = {};
While[plaintext ≠ {},
  If[
    Length[plaintext] == 1,
    AppendTo[blocktext, {First[plaintext], "X"}];
    plaintext = {}, (* Last letter; pad with "X" *)
    If[
      plaintext[[1]] == plaintext[[2]], (* Same letter in block; pad with "X" *)
      AppendTo[blocktext, {First[plaintext], "X"}]; plaintext = Drop[plaintext, 1];
      (* Different letters *)
      AppendTo[blocktext, plaintext[[1 ;; 2]]]; plaintext = Drop[plaintext, 2];
    ]
  ];
  ];
blocktext

Out[292]= {W, H, E, N, Y, O, U, H, A, V, E, A, H, A, M, M, E, R, E, V, E, R,
Y, T, H, I, N, G, I, U, S, T, L, O, O, K, S, L, I, K, E, A, N, A, I, L}

Out[295]= {{W, H}, {E, N}, {Y, O}, {U, H}, {A, V}, {E, A}, {H, A},
{M, X}, {M, E}, {R, E}, {V, E}, {R, Y}, {T, H}, {I, N}, {G, I},
{U, S}, {T, L}, {O, X}, {O, K}, {S, L}, {I, K}, {E, A}, {N, A}, {I, L}}
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Implement Encryption Cipher

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In[272]:= EncryptPlayfair[square_, {letter1_, letter2_}] :=
Module[
{
  pos1 = Position[square, letter1][[1]],
  pos2 = Position[square, letter2][[1]],
  newLetter1,
  newLetter2
},
Which[
  First[pos1] == First[pos2], (* Check if letters are on the same row *)
  newLetter1 = Extract[square, {pos1[[1]], Mod[pos1[[2]] + 1, 5, 1]}];
  newLetter2 = Extract[square, {pos2[[1]], Mod[pos2[[2]] + 1, 5, 1]}];

  ,
  Last[pos1] == Last[pos2], (* Check if letters are on the same column *)
  newLetter1 = Extract[square, {Mod[pos1[[1]] + 1, 5, 1], pos1[[2]]}];
  newLetter2 = Extract[square, {Mod[pos2[[1]] + 1, 5, 1], pos2[[2]]}];

  ,
  True, (* Letter are on different rows and columns *)
  newLetter1 = Extract[square, {pos1[[1]], pos2[[2]]}];
  newLetter2 = Extract[square, {pos2[[1]], pos1[[2]]}];
];
Return[{newLetter1, newLetter2}];
]
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Encrypt

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In[301]:= EncryptPlayfair[polybius, #] & /@ blocktext
StringJoin[Flatten[%]]

Out[301]= {{Y, F}, {R, M}, {S, Y}, {Y, D}, {B, A}, {S, I}, {O, H},
{N, W}, {W, I}, {S, R}, {I, R}, {S, X}, {A, D}, {V, M}, {F, V},
{Y, P}, {D, U}, {N, Y}, {Q, H}, {P, O}, {B, F}, {S, I}, {O, V}, {T, M}}

Out[302]= YFRMSYYDBASIOHNWWISRIRSXADVMFVYPDUNYQHPOBFSIOVTM
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Question 3

Re-block the ciphertext

Since the key: **SMILE** is 5 letters long, and the cipher text is

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In[322]:= key = "SMILE";
StringLength[key]

ciphertext = StringSplit[
"XDDDXXXAFXFGDXGAGXXDGGXADFFGXGDXAGDGDDDXAXGDFXDFDXFDDXGGAXFGAXFFADFDDAX\`  
DGFXFFFAGDDAAFXXXGADXGDGFFXGFGDDGFFFDDGDDGGXGDGG", " "];
Length[ciphertext]

Out[323]= 5

Out[325]= 124

In[326]:= Quotient[124, 5]
Mod[124, 5]

Out[326]= 24

Out[327]= 4
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The last row will only have **4** letters among the 5 columns

From the alphabetical order of the key (S,M,I,L,E) → (E, I, L, M, S) the “E” (1st) column should have one less letter

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In[341]:= {
  Append[ciphertext[[1 ;; 24]], " "],
  ciphertext[[25 ;; 49]],
  ciphertext[[50 ;; 74]],
  ciphertext[[75 ;; 99]],
  ciphertext[[100 ;; 124]]
}

block = Transpose[%];
TableForm[block]

Out[341]= {{X, D, D, X, D, X, X, A, F, X, F, G, D, X, G, A, G, X, X, D, G, G, X, A, },
{D, F, F, G, X, G, D, D, X, A, G, D, G, D, D, X, D, A, X, G, D, F, X, D, F},
{F, D, F, X, D, X, F, D, D, X, G, G, A, X, F, G, A, X, F, F, A, D, F, D, D},
{A, X, D, G, F, X, F, F, G, A, G, D, D, A, A, F, X, G, G, G, A, D, X, G},
{D, G, F, F, X, G, F, D, D, G, F, F, F, D, G, D, G, G, X, G, D, G, G}}
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Out[343]/TableForm=

X	D	F	A	D
D	F	D	X	G
D	F	F	D	F
X	G	X	G	F
D	X	D	F	X
X	G	X	X	G
X	D	F	F	F
A	D	D	F	G
F	X	D	F	D
X	A	X	G	D
F	G	G	A	G
G	D	G	G	F
D	G	A	D	F
X	D	X	D	F
G	D	F	A	D
A	X	G	A	G
G	D	A	F	D
X	A	X	X	G
X	X	F	G	G
D	G	F	G	G
G	D	A	G	X
G	F	D	A	G
X	X	F	D	D
A	D	D	X	G
F	D	G	G	

Un-alphabetize the key

(E, I, L, M, S) → (S,M,I,L,E)
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) → (5, 4, 2, 3, 1)

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In[348]:= newBlock = block[[All, {5, 4, 2, 3, 1}]];
TableForm[newBlock]
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Out[349]/TableForm=

D	A	D	F	X
G	X	F	D	D
F	D	F	F	D
F	G	G	X	X
X	F	X	D	D
G	X	G	X	X
F	F	D	F	X
G	F	D	D	A
D	F	X	D	F
D	G	A	X	X
G	A	G	G	F
F	G	D	G	G
F	D	G	A	D
F	D	D	X	X
D	A	D	F	G
G	A	X	G	A
D	F	D	A	G
G	X	A	X	X
G	G	X	F	X
G	G	G	F	D
X	G	D	A	G
G	A	F	D	G
D	D	X	F	X
G	X	D	D	A
G	G	F	D	

Divide Row-by-Row into Blocks of 2

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In[354]:= codeblock = Partition[Most[Flatten[newBlock]], 2]
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Out[354]= {{D, A}, {D, F}, {X, G}, {X, F}, {D, D}, {F, D}, {F, F}, {D, F}, {G, G}, {X, X}, {X, F},
{X, D}, {D, G}, {X, G}, {X, X}, {F, F}, {D, F}, {X, G}, {F, D}, {D, A}, {D, F}, {X, D},
{F, D}, {G, A}, {X, X}, {G, A}, {G, G}, {F, F}, {G, D}, {G, G}, {F, D}, {G, A},
{D, F}, {D, D}, {X, X}, {D, A}, {D, F}, {G, G}, {A, X}, {G, A}, {D, F}, {D, A},
{G, G}, {X, A}, {X, X}, {G, G}, {X, F}, {X, G}, {G, G}, {F, D}, {X, G}, {D, A},
{G, G}, {A, F}, {D, D}, {X, F}, {X, G}, {D, A}, {G, G}, {F, D}}
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Decode Using the Polybius Square

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In[353]:= polySquare = {{"A", "A"} → "k", {"A", "D"} → "p",
 {"A", "F"} → "b", {"A", "G"} → "z", {"A", "X"} → "u", {"D", "A"} → "t",
 {"D", "D"} → "a", {"D", "F"} → "h", {"D", "G"} → "l", {"D", "X"} → "v",
 {"F", "A"} → "d", {"F", "D"} → "n", {"F", "F"} → "w", {"F", "G"} → "y",
 {"F", "X"} → "q", {"G", "A"} → "g", {"G", "D"} → "r", {"G", "F"} → "x",
 {"G", "G"} → "o", {"G", "X"} → "c", {"X", "A"} → "f", {"X", "D"} → "i",
 {"X", "F"} → "m", {"X", "G"} → "e", {"X", "X"} → "s"};
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In[355]:= codeblock /. polySquare
Out[355]= {t, h, e, m, a, n, w, h, o, s, m, i, l, e, s, w, h, e, n, t, h, i, n, g, s, g, o, w, r, o, n, g,
h, a, s, t, h, o, u, g, h, t, o, f, s, o, m, e, o, n, e, t, o, b, l, a, m, e, i, t, o, n}
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Question 4

Mathematica has built-in functions to compute these values directly:

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In[395]:= M = {{15, 5, 18}, {13, 22, 24}, {17, 19, 7}};
Det[M]
Inverse[M, Modulus -> 26] // MatrixForm
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Out[396]= -5231

Out[397]/MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 24 & 1 & 24 \\ 25 & 9 & 20 \\ 15 & 14 & 25 \end{pmatrix}$$

To receive credit, must show work:

Compute $\det(M)$:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 15 & 5 & 18 \\ 13 & 22 & 24 \\ 17 & 19 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 15 \begin{vmatrix} 22 & 24 \\ 19 & 7 \end{vmatrix} - 13 \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 18 \\ 19 & 7 \end{vmatrix} + 17 \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 18 \\ 22 & 24 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 15(22 \times 7 - 24 \times 19) - 13(5 \times 7 - 18 \times 19) + 17(5 \times 24 - 22 \times 18)$$

$$= -5,231$$

Compute $M^{-1}(\text{mod } 26)$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 15 & 5 & 18 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 13 & 22 & 24 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 17 & 19 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{26} \quad 15^{-1} \equiv 7 \pmod{26}$$

$$r_1 \rightarrow 7r_1 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 9 & 22 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 13 & 22 & 24 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 17 & 19 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{26}$$

$$r_2 \rightarrow r_2 - 13r_1 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 9 & 22 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 24 & 13 & 1 & 0 \\ 17 & 19 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{26}$$

$$r_3 \rightarrow r_3 - 17r_1 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 9 & 22 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 24 & 13 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 22 & 23 & 11 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{26} \quad 9^{-1} \equiv 3 \pmod{26}$$

$$r_2 \rightarrow 3r_2 \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 9 & 22 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 20 & 13 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 22 & 23 & 11 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{26}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 r_3 \rightarrow r_3 - 22r_2 & \left(\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 9 & 22 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 20 & 13 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 25 & 11 & 12 & 1 \end{array} \right) \pmod{26} & 25^{-1} \equiv 25 \pmod{26} \\
 r_3 \rightarrow 25r_3 & \left(\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 9 & 22 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 20 & 13 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 15 & 14 & 25 \end{array} \right) \pmod{26} & \\
 r_2 \rightarrow r_2 - 20r_3 & \left(\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 9 & 22 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 25 & 9 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 15 & 14 & 25 \end{array} \right) \pmod{26} & \\
 r_1 \rightarrow r_1 - 22r_3 & \left(\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 9 & 0 & 15 & 4 & 22 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 25 & 9 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 15 & 14 & 25 \end{array} \right) \pmod{26} & \\
 r_1 \rightarrow r_1 - 9r_2 & \left(\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 24 & 1 & 24 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 25 & 9 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 15 & 14 & 25 \end{array} \right) \pmod{26} &
 \end{array}$$

Question 5

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In[388]:= B = {{1, 24, 1}, {0, 8, 3}, {21, 9, 26}};
MatrixForm[B]

Out[389]//MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 24 & 1 \\ 0 & 8 & 3 \\ 21 & 9 & 26 \end{pmatrix}$$


In[390]:= codeBlocks = Partition[ToCharacterCode["thecakeisaliedxx"], 3] - 97
Out[390]= {{19, 7, 4}, {2, 0, 10}, {4, 8, 18}, {0, 11, 8}, {4, 23, 23}}

In[391]:= Mod[Dot[#, M], 26] & /@ codeBlocks
FromCharacterCode /@ (% + 97)
ToUpperCase[StringJoin[%]]
Out[391]= {{25, 2, 14}, {4, 8, 2}, {18, 10, 2}, {12, 4, 7}, {19, 19, 21}}

Out[392]= {zco, eic, skc, meh, ttv}

Out[393]= ZCOEICSKCMEHTTV

In[421]:= Inverse[B, Modulus -> 26] // MatrixForm
Out[421]//MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 25 & 16 \\ 19 & 11 & 9 \\ 10 & 23 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$


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