

Aim → Implementation of symmetric cryptographic process for secured communication of information in computer networking.

Objective 1 → An overview on Playfair and Vignere cryptographic algorithm.

Playfair Cipher →

- Type → Digraph substitution cipher
- Key →  $5 \times 5$  matrix based on a keyword (I & J treated as one).
- Encryption →
  - i) Same row → Replace with the letter to the right.
  - ii) Same column → Replace with the letter below.
  - iii) Rectangle → Swap with opposite corners.
- Security → More secure than simple substitution, but vulnerable to digraph analysis.

Vignère Cipher →

- Type → Polyalphabetic substitution cipher
- Key : Repeating keyword determines shifts.
- Encryption →
  - i) Uses a Vignère table to shift letters based on the keyword.
  - ii) Formula →  $C_i = (P_i + K_i) \bmod 26$
- Security → Stronger than Playfair but breakable using frequency analysis.

Objective 2 → Execution of Playfair Algorithm for encryption and decryption of text message.

Python Program →

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import random
import string

def generate_key_matrix(key):
    key = ''.join(sorted(set(key), key=key.index))

    key = key.replace('J', 'I')
    alphabet = "ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPQRSTUVWXYZ"
    matrix = key + alphabet

    matrix = ''.join(sorted(set(matrix), key=matrix.index))
    key_matrix = [matrix[i:i+5] for i in range(0, len(matrix), 5)]
    return key_matrix
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def create\_digraphs(plaintext):

    plaintext = ''.join(filter(str.isalpha, plaintext)).upper()

    plaintext = plaintext.replace('J', 'I')

    digraphs = []

    i = 0

    while i < len(plaintext):

        if i + 1 < len(plaintext) and plaintext[i] == plaintext[i + 1]:

            digraphs.append(plaintext[i] + 'x')

            i += 1

        else:

            digraphs.append(plaintext[i:i + 2])

            i += 2

    return digraphs

def find\_positions(letter, key\_matrix):

    for i in range(5):

        for j in range(5):

            if key\_matrix[i][j] == letter:

                return i, j

def encrypt\_digraph(digraph, key\_matrix):

    r1, c1 = find\_position(digraph[0], key\_matrix)

    r2, c2 = find\_position(digraph[1], key\_matrix)

    if r1 == r2:

        return key\_matrix[r1][(c1 + 1) % 5] + key\_matrix[r2][(c2 + 1) % 5]

    elif c1 == c2:

        return key\_matrix[(r1 + 1) % 5][c1] + key\_matrix[(r2 + 1) % 5][c2]

def decrypt\_digraph(digraph, key\_matrix):

    r1, c1 = find\_position(digraph[0], key\_matrix)

    r2, c2 = find\_position(digraph[1], key\_matrix)

    if r1 == r2:

        return key\_matrix[r1][(c1 - 1) % 5] + key\_matrix[r2][(c2 - 1) % 5]

    elif c1 == c2:

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    return key-matrix [(r1-1) // 5][c1] + key-matrix [(r2-1) // 5][c2]
else:
    return key-matrix [r1][c2] + key-matrix [r2][c1]

def playfair-encrypt(Cplaintext, key):
    key-matrix = generate-key-matrix(key)
    digraphs = create-digraphs(Cplaintext)
    ciphertext = ''.join([encrypt-digraph(d, key-matrix) for d in digraphs])
    return ciphertext

def playfair-decrypt(Ciphertext, key):
    key-matrix = generate-key-matrix(key)
    digraphs = create-digraphs(Ciphertext[i:i+2] for i in range(0, len(Ciphertext), 2))
    plaintext = ''.join([decrypt-digraph(d, key-matrix) for d in digraphs])
    return plaintext

def generate-random-plaintext(Clength):
    return ''.join(random.choices(string.ascii_uppercase, k=length))

key = "KEYWORD"
random-plaintext = generate-random-plaintext(random.randint(5, 10))
encrypted = playfair-encrypt(random-plaintext, key)
decrypted = playfair-decrypt(encrypted, key)
print("Generated Plaintext: " + random-plaintext)
print("Encrypted: " + encrypted)
print("Decrypted: " + decrypted)
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Output →

Generated Plaintext: CYSUQC

Encrypted: AONZSB

Decrypted: CYSUQC

Objective 3 → Execution of Vignère algorithm for encryption and decryption of text message.

Python Program →

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def Vignère-encrypt(plaintext, keyword):  
    plaintext = plaintext.replace(" ", "").upper()  
    keyword = keyword.upper()  
    extended_keyword = (keyword * (len(plaintext) // len(keyword))) +  
        keyword[:len(plaintext) % len(keyword)]  
    ciphertext = []  
  
    for p, k in zip(plaintext, extended_keyword):  
        encrypted_letter = chr(((ord(p)-65 + ord(k)-65) % 26) + 65)  
        ciphertext.append(encrypted_letter)  
  
    return ''.join(ciphertext)  
  
def Vignère-decrypt(ciphertext, keyword):  
    ciphertext = ciphertext.replace(" ", "").upper()  
    keyword = keyword.upper()  
    extended_keyword = (keyword * (len(ciphertext) // len(keyword))) + keyword  
        [:len(ciphertext) % len(keyword)]  
    plaintext = []  
  
    for c, k in zip(ciphertext, extended_keyword):  
        decrypted_letter = chr(((ord(c)-65 - (ord(k)-65)) % 26) + 65)  
        plaintext.append(decrypted_letter)  
  
    return ''.join(plaintext)  
  
keyword = "KEY"  
plaintext = "HELLO VIGNÈRE CIPHER"  
encrypted = vignère-encrypt(plaintext, keyword)  
decrypted = vignère-decrypt(encrypted, keyword)  
print(f"Plaintext: {plaintext}")  
print(f"Encrypted: {encrypted}")
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print(f"Decrypted: {decrypted}")

Output → Plaintext → HELLO VIGNERE CIPHER

Encrypted → RIJVSTSKCXIPOOGZLCB

Decrypted → HELLO VIGNERE CIPHER

Conclusion → The Playfair and Vignère ciphers are classic cryptographic techniques that introduced complexity beyond simple substitution ciphers. While Playfair uses digraph substitution for increased security against frequency analysis, Vignère's polyalphabetic approach offers stronger protection by varying shifts based on keyword.

Exercise →

1) Encrypt "ALL IS WELL" using Vignère Cipher with the keyword "CAKE".

Ans →  $C_i = (P_i + K_i) \bmod 26$

Plaintext      ALL IS WELL

Keyword        CAKE CAKE C

Shift Value    2 0 10 4 2 0 10 4 2

Encrypted      CLVMUWOPN

Ciphertext → CLVMUWOPN

2) Decrypt "DCTXSWWVVVAMZ" using Vignère cipher with the keyword "BEST".

Ans →  $P_i = (C_i - K_i + 26) \bmod 26$

Ciphertext      DCTXSWWVVVAMZ

Keyword        BESTBESTBEST

Shift Value    14 18 19 14 18 19 14 18 19 1

Decrypted      CYBERSecurity

Decrypted → CYBERSecurity

3) Encrypt "INSTRUMENTS" using Playfair ciphering with key word "MONARCHY" assuming the letters I & J share the same cell in key matrix.

Ans → Playfair Matrix →

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

Plaintext → IN ST RU ME NT SX

Using play fair rules → IN → GA

ST → TL

RU → MZ

ME → CL

NT → RCQ

SX → XA

Encrypted → GA TL MZ CL RCQ XA

4) Decrypt "HBTI DBHK MO" using Playfair Ciphering with keyword "DIAMOND" assuming the letters I & J are in the same cell in key matrix.

Ans → Playfair Matrix →

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

Cipher

~~Plaintext~~ → HB TI DB HK MO

Using Playfair rule → HB → BI

TI → RM

DB → IN

HK → GH

MO → AM

Decrypted → BIRMINHAM