

Substitution Technique in Cryptography

■ Substitution technique is a classical encryption technique where the characters present in the original message are replaced by the other characters or numbers or by symbols.

Substitution Technique:

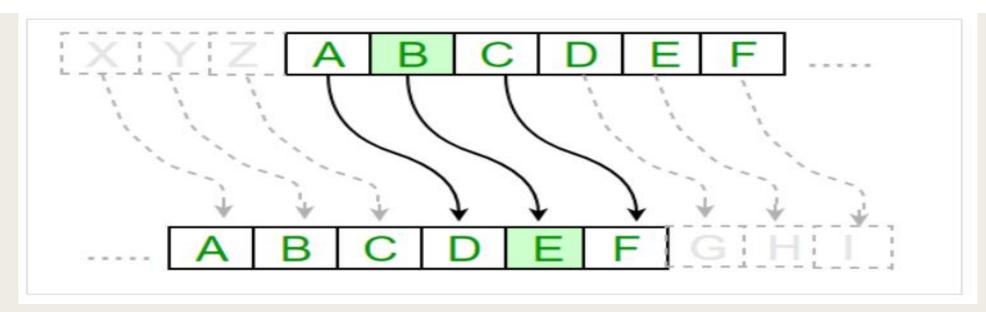
- 1. Caesar Cipher
- 2. Monoalphabetic Cipher
- 3. Playfair Cipher
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- 5. Polyalphabetic Cipher

Caesar Cipher

Algorithm of Caesar Cipher

The algorithm of Caesar cipher holds the following features:

- Caesar Cipher Technique is the simple and easy method of encryption technique.
- It is simple type of substitution cipher.
- Each letter of plain text is replaced by a letter with some fixed number of positions down with alphabet.



Caesar Cipher

 The algorithm can be expressed as follows. For each plaintext letter, substitute the ciphertext letter

$$C = E(3, p) = (p + 3) \mod 26$$

A shift may be of any amount, so that the general Caesar algorithm is

$$C = E(k, p) = (p + k) \mod 26$$

- Where k takes on a value in the range 1 to 25.
- The decryption algorithm is simply

$$p = D(k, C) = (C - k) \mod 26$$

Example:

Encrypt the message P="Hello" using Caesar Cipher, given the key K=3.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 ABCDEFGHIJKL MNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

C = "KHOOR"

Python chr() and ord()

Python's built-in function **chr()** is used for converting an *Integer* to a *Character*, while the function **ord()** is used to do the reverse, i.e., convert a *Character* to an *Integer*.

```
# Convert integer 65 to ASCII Character ('A')
print(chr(65))

# Convert ASCII Unicode Character 'A' to 65
print(ord('A'))
```

```
Output:
```

65

Python <u>isupper()</u> and <u>islower()</u> Function

Python String <u>isupper()</u> function checks if all the characters in a string are uppercase then returns true else false

```
str_name = "WELCOME"
print(str_name.isupper()) # True
```

Python String <u>islower()</u> function checks if all the characters in a string are lowercase then return True else False.

```
str_name = "welcome"
print(str_name.islower()) # True
```

Python String lower() Method

Python String lower() method converts a string object into a lowercase string

```
a = 'WELCOME TO PYTHON'
print(a.lower()) # welcome to python
```

Example

The program implementation of Caesar cipher algorithm is as follows:

```
text = 'Python'
k = 1
result =''
for i in range(len(text)):
    char = text[i]
    if (char.isupper()):
        # Encrypt uppercase characters
        s = chr((ord(char) - 65 + k) \% 26 + 65)
    else:
        # Encrypt lowercase characters
        s = chr((ord(char) - 97 + k) \% 26 + 97)
    result += s
print(result)
                                                Output:
                                                      Qzuipo
```

Caesar Cipher Decryption

```
text = 'Qzuipo'
k = 1
result =''
for i in range(len(text)):
    char = text[i]
    if (char.isupper()):
        # Encrypt uppercase characters
        s = chr((ord(char) - 65 - k) \% 26 + 65)
    else:
        # Encrypt lowercase characters
        s = chr((ord(char) - 97 - k) \% 26 + 97)
    result += s
print(result)
```

Output:

Python

Monoalphabetic Cipher

- Caesar cipher is far from secure. WHY?
- Similar to Caesar cipher but the replacement is random.
- The key is changed for every message.
- This will increase the possibilities to 26!.
- · Brute-force will not work.
- Is it secure?

- Monoalphabetic work by replacing each letter of the plaintext with another letter (or possibly even a random symbol).
- A monoalphabetic substitution cipher, also known as a <u>simple</u> <u>substitution cipher</u>, relies on a fixed replacement structure. That is, the substitution is fixed for each letter of the alphabet. Thus, if "A" is encrypted to "R", then every time we see the letter "A" in the plaintext, we replace it with the letter "R" in the ciphertext.

Example:

```
Alphabetic: 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 key : qwertyuiopasdmghjklzxcvbnf
```

• Encrypt the message "hello" using Monoalphabetic Cipher given the key above.

```
Plaintext = hello.
Ciphertext = itssg.
```

Create a list of alphabets

```
import string
# lowercase letters
print(string.ascii_lowercase)  #abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

# uppercase letters
print(string.ascii_uppercase)  #ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
```

Monoalphabetic Cipher Encryption

```
letters = [
    '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']
key = [
    'q','w','e','r','t','y','u','i','o','p','a','s','d',
    'm','g','h','j','k','l','z','x','c','v','b','n','f'
text = str(input("Enter your text: ")).lower()
cipher = ''
for i in text:
    key_number = letters.index(i)
    new_letter = key[key_number]
    cipher += new_letter
print("The Encryption Text is: " + cipher)
```

```
Output:
Enter your text: Hello
The Encryption Text is: itssg
```

```
import string
letters = string.ascii_lowercase
key = [
   'q','w','e','r','t','y','U','i','o','p','a','s','d',
    text = str(input("Enter your text: ")).lower()
cipher = ''
for i in text:
   key_number = letters.index(i)
   new_letter = key[key_number]
   cipher += new_letter
print("The Encryption Text is: " + cipher)
```

Monoalphabetic Cipher Decryption

```
letters = [
    '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']
key =
    'q','w','e','r','t','y','u','i','o','p','a','s','d',
    'm','g','h','j','k','l','z','x','c','v','b','n','f'
text = str(input("Enter your text: ")).lower()
#Encryption
cipher = ''
for i in text:
    key number = letters.index(i)
    new_letter = key[key_number]
    cipher += new letter
print("The Encryption Text is: " + cipher)
# Decryption
plaintext = ''
for c in cipher:
    key number2 = key.index(c)
                                                      Output:
    new_plain = letters[key_number2]
                                                      Enter your text: Hello
    plaintext += new_plain
                                                      The Encryption Text is: itssg
print("The Decryption Text is: " + plaintext)
                                                      The Decryption Text is: hello
```

Task

■ Encrypt the message = "welcome" using Playfair Cipher.

