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Autokey Cipher:-

* The key in the autokey cipher is a stream of subkeys, each of which is used to encrypt the plaintext character it corresponds to.

* The first subkey is a secretly agreed-upon value among the communicating parties. The value of the first plaintext character is the second subkey.

* The value of the second plaintext character is the third subkey, and so on.

* Given plaintext $P = P_1 P_2 P_3 \dots$ and key $K = (K_1, P_1, P_2 \dots)$

Encryption: $C_i = (P_i + K_i) \bmod 26$

Decryption: $P_i = (C_i - K_i) \bmod 26$

Example:-

Encrypt the message "ATTACK IS TODAY" using autokey cipher with key=12. Ignore the space between words.

Solution:

Encryption: $C_i = (P_i + K_i) \bmod 26$

Plain Text	A	T	T	A	C	K	I	S	T	O	D	A	Y
P's Values	00	19	19	00	02	10	08	18	19	14	03	00	24
Key stream	12	00	19	19	00	02	10	08	18	19	14	03	00
C's value	12	19	12	19	02	12	18	00	11	07	17	03	24
Cipher Text	M	T	M	T	C	M	S	A	L	H	R	D	Y

The result is "MTMTCMSALH R DY".