C&NS Lab Assignment 2

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Play fair cipher

Matrix-based block cipher used in WWI

In a 5x5 matrix, write the letters of the word “Playfair” (for example) without dups, and fill in with other letters of the alphabet, except I, J used interchangeably.

Here we use a 5x5 matrix to map all characters and used it for encryption.

K1	K2	….	.....	....
….	Kn	C1	C2	….
….	….	….	….	….
….	….	….	….	Cm

Her k is the Key. and C is the character.

The operation to perform on plain text:

- Plain text divided into groups of 2.
- If both characters in one group are the same, then 2 different 2 groups formed with 1st character followed with ‘X’ or ‘Z’ and 2nd ground is formed using the normal method.
- Eg. AAB=> AZ AB
- If the last group only has 1 letter then the group is formed using the last character and the ‘X’.

Key Formation:

- Place all nonrepeated characters of a key in the matrix (except for j use I instead).
- After that place all remaining alphabets in the matrix to complete the 5x5 matrix.(as shown in table)
- Place i and j in the same box.

Encryption:

- Play fair is a polyalphabetic algorithm.
- It takes 2 characters at each time to encrypt plain text.
- If both characters of the group are in the same row then it is replaced by the immediate next character to it. Eg. if the group is “SF” and both are in the same row then and giver row is “ASGTF” the “SF” became “GA”
- If both characters in the group are in the same column then the immediate next character in the same column of the matrix is used to substitute the letters.
- If both are in different rows and columns the A(i,j)B(m,n) then A is replaced by letter at (i,n), and B is replaced by the letter at (m,j).

Code

PlayFair.cpp

```cpp
// Cryptography and Network Security Lab
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// The following program implements the Play fair algorithm for ciphering the text


#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;

char upper(char c){
    if(c>='a' && c<='z') return 'A'+c-'a';
}

void process(string plainText,vector<vector<char>>& processedText){

    char bogusChar = 'z';
    int size = 0;
    vector<char> temp(2);
    for(size_t i = 0; i < plainText.size(); i++){
        if(plainText[i] == ' ')
            continue;
        if(size == 0){
            if(plainText[i] == 'j'){
                temp[0] = bogusChar;
            }else{
                temp[0] = plainText[i];
            }
            size++;
        }else{
            if(plainText[i] == temp[0] || plainText[i] == 'j'){
                temp[1] = bogusChar;
                if(plainText[i]!='j')
                    i--;
            }else{
                temp[1] = plainText[i];
            }
            processedText.push_back(temp);
            size=0;
        }
    }
    // check if the last pair is not formed.
    if(size==1){
        temp[1] = bogusChar;
        processedText.push_back(temp);
    }

    cout << "\nThe processed Plain Text:" << endl;
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    for(auto chars : processedText){
        for(auto c : chars){
            cout << upper(c);
        }
        cout << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}


string playFairEncryption(string plainText, string key){
    vector<vector<char>> keySquare(5, vector<char>(5,'1'));
    vector<bool> markedAlphabets(26);

    // generating keySqaure
    // inserting the characters of the key in the keySquare


    int tempRow = 0;
    int tempCol = 0;

    for(size_t i = 0; i < key.size(); i++){
        if(key[i] != 'j' && !markedAlphabets[key[i]-'a']){
            markedAlphabets[key[i]-'a']=true;
            if(tempCol == 5){
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                tempCol = 0;
                tempRow++;
            }
            keySquare[tempRow][tempCol] = key[i];
            tempCol++;
        }
    }

    // fill the remaining empty slots of the keySqaure with alphabets in ascending order
    // Here char 'j' is not inserted as keySquare needs only 25 alphabets
    for(char c = 'a'; c <= 'z'; c++){
        if(!markedAlphabets[c-'a'] && c != 'j'){
            if(tempCol == 5){
                tempCol = 0;
                tempRow++;
            }
            keySquare[tempRow][tempCol] = c;
            tempCol++;
        }
    }

    cout << "\nThe generated Key Square Matrix is: " << endl;
    for(int i = 0; i < 5; i++){
        for(int j = 0; j < 5; j++){
            cout << keySquare[i][j] << " ";
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            }
            cout << endl;
        }

        vector<vector<char>> processedText;

        process(plainText, processedText);

        vector<vector<char>> cipherVector;
        for(auto characters: processedText){
            char first = characters[0];
            char second = characters[1];

            vector<char> temp;

            pair<int,int> positionOfFirst;
            pair<int,int> positionOfSecond;

            for(int i = 0; i < 5; i++){
                for(int j = 0; j < 5; j++){
                    if(keySquare[i][j] == first){
                        positionOfFirst = {i,j};
                    }else if(keySquare[i][j] == second){
                        positionOfSecond = {i,j};
                    }
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                }
            }

            if(positionOfFirst.first == positionOfSecond.first){
                temp.push_back(keySquare[positionOfFirst.first][(positionOfFirst.second + 1)%5]);
                temp.push_back(keySquare[positionOfSecond.first][(positionOfSecond.second + 1)%5]);
            }else if(positionOfFirst.second == positionOfSecond.second){
                temp.push_back(keySquare[(positionOfFirst.first+1)%5][positionOfFirst.second]);
                temp.push_back(keySquare[(positionOfSecond.first+1)%5][positionOfSecond.second]);
            }else{
                temp.push_back(keySquare[positionOfFirst.first][positionOfSecond.second]);
                temp.push_back(keySquare[positionOfSecond.first][positionOfFirst.second]);
            }

            cipherVector.push_back(temp);
        }
        string cipherText;
        for(auto chars: cipherVector){
            for(auto c: chars){
                cipherText += c;
            }
        }

        return cipherText;
    }
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152 int main()  {
153     string plainText {"the key is secret"};
154     string key {"mountfuji"};
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156     vector<vector<char>> keySquare(5, vector<char>(5));
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159     cout << "Plain Text: " << plainText << endl;
160     cout << "\nKey: " << key << endl;
161
162     string cipherText;
163     cipherText = playFairEncryption(plainText, key);
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165     cout << "\nEncryption using Play Fair Cipher: " << endl;
166     int j = 0;
167     for(size_t i = 0; i < plainText.size(); i++){
168         if(plainText[i] == ' '){
169             cout << ' ';
170         }else {
171             cout << upper(cipherText[j]);
172             j++;
173         }
174     }
175     cout << endl;
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177     return 0;
178 }
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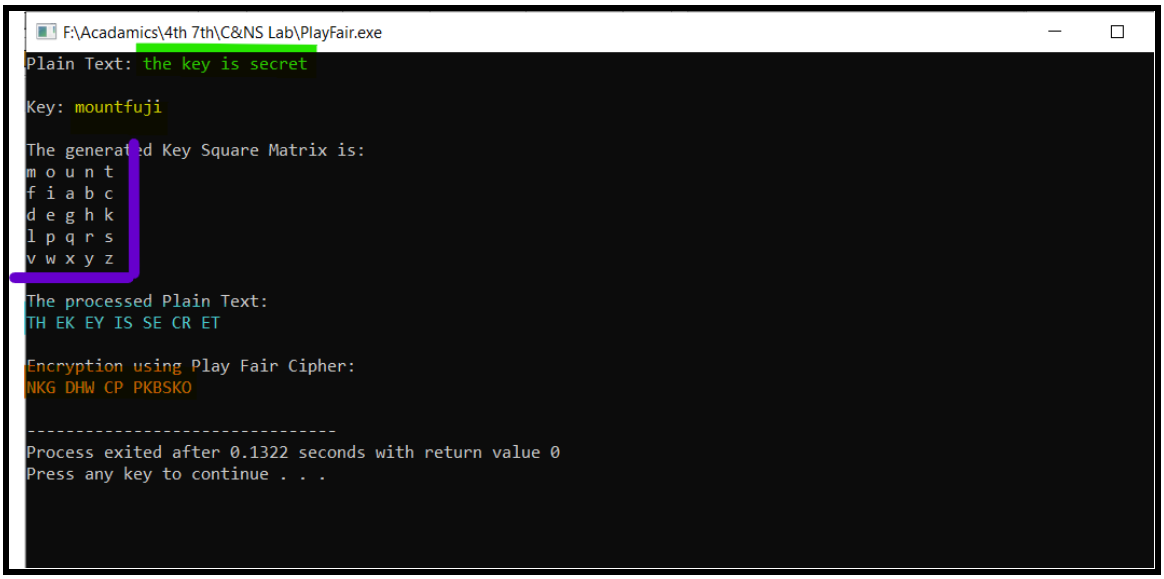
Output



Conclusion

- PlayFair better solution to the caesar cipher
- More complex
- One of the good well know examples of Polyalphabetic encryption algorithms.
- But easily gets cracked by today's computer World