COLUMNAR TRANSPOSITION TECHNIQUES

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To write a python program implementing columnar transposition techniques.

ALGORITHM:

- 1. The message is written out in rows of a fixed length, and then read out again column by column, and the columns are chosen in some scrambled order.
- 2. Width of the rows and the permutation of the columns are usually defined by a keyword.
- 3. The permutation is defined by the alphabetical order of the letters in the keyword.
- 4. Any spare spaces are filled with nulls or left blank or placed by a character (Example: _).
- 5. Finally, the message is printed off in columns, in the order specified by the keyword.

PROGRAM:

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import math
def encryptMessage(msg,key):
       cipher = ""
       k indx = 0
       msg_len = float(len(msg))
       msg_lst = list(msg)
       key lst = sorted(list(key))
       col = len(key)
       row = int(math.ceil(msg_len / col))
       fill null = int((row * col) - msg len)
       msg_lst.extend('_' * fill_null)
       matrix = [msg\_lst[i: i + col]]
                       for i in range(0, len(msg lst), col)]
       for _ in range(col):
               curr_idx = key.index(key_lst[k_indx])
               cipher += ".join([row[curr_idx]
                                              for row in matrix])
               k \text{ ind } x += 1
       return cipher
def decryptMessage(cipher,key):
       msg = ""
       k indx = 0
       msg_indx = 0
       msg_{len} = float(len(cipher))
       msg_lst = list(cipher)
       col = len(key)
       row = int(math.ceil(msg_len / col))
       key_lst = sorted(list(key))
       dec\_cipher = \lceil \rceil
       for _ in range(row):
               dec_cipher += [[None] * col]
       for in range(col):
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curr_idx = key.index(key_lst[k_indx])
              for j in range(row):
                     dec_cipher[j][curr_idx] = msg_lst[msg_indx]
                     msg_indx += 1
              k indx += 1
       try:
              msg = ".join(sum(dec_cipher, []))
       except TypeError:
              raise TypeError("This program cannot",
                                           "handle repeating words.")
       null_count = msg.count('_')
       if null_count > 0:
              return msg[: -null_count]
       return msg
msg = input()
key=input()
cipher = encryptMessage(msg,key)
print("Encrypted Message: {}".
                     format(cipher))
print("Decrypted Message: {}".
       format(decryptMessage(cipher,key)))
OUTPUT:
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 -$ vi railfence.py
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RESULT:

Thus the python program for columnar transposition techniques is implemented successfully.

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