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Important Instructions / Guidelines:					
Read the question paper carefully and answer the questions according to their statements.					
Mobile phones are not allowed. Calculators must not have any data/equations etc. in their memory.					

2nd Sessional Examination FALL-20

Q.1: The following shows the reminders of powers of 10 when divided by 13. We can prove that the pattern will be repeated for higher powers:

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 10^0 \bmod 13 = 1 & 10^1 \bmod 13 = -3 & 10^2 \bmod 13 = -4 \\
 10^3 \bmod 13 = -1 & 10^4 \bmod 13 = 3 & 10^5 \bmod 13 = 4
 \end{array}$$

Use the above information, find the remainder of an integer when divided by 13. Test your method with 631453672.

Q.2: Alice and Bob have decided to ignore Kirchhoff's principle and hide the type of the cipher they are using:

- How can Eve decide whether a substitution or a transposition cipher was used?
- If Eve knows that the cipher is a substitution cipher, how can she decide whether it was an additive, multiplicative, or affine cipher?
- If Eve knows that the cipher is a transposition, how can she find the size of the section (m)?

Q.3: (a) The plaintext "letusmeetnow" and the corresponding ciphertext "HBCDFNOPIKLB" are given. You know that the algorithm is a Hill cipher, but you don't know the size of the key. Find the key matrix

(b) John is reading a mystery book involving cryptography. In one part of the book, the author gives a ciphertext "CIW" and two paragraphs later the author tells the reader that this is a shift cipher and the plaintext is "yes". In the next chapter, the hero found a tablet in a cave with "XVIEWYWI" engraved on it. John immediately found the actual meaning of the ciphertext. What type of attack did John launch here? What is the plaintext?"

Q4: Encrypt the message "The house is being sold tonight" using the following ciphers. Ignore the space between words:

- Vigenere cipher with key: dollars;
- Autokey cipher with key =7;
- Playfair cipher with key created in the text (see Figure 1)

Secret Key =

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

Figure 1