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**Title:** Playfair Cipher Implementation

**Problem Definition :** Implement Playfair cipher and illustrate encoding and decoding process on user entered sentence.

**Pre-requisite**: Any programming knowledge – C, C++, Java, Python and concept of Playfair cipher.

#### Theory:

The Playfair cipher was the first practical digraph substitution cipher. The scheme was invented in 1854 by Charles Wheatstone but was named after Lord Playfair who promoted the use of the cipher. In playfair cipher unlike traditional cipher we encrypt a pair of alphabets(digraphs) instead of a single alphabet.

It was used for tactical purposes by British forces in the Second Boer War and in World War I and for the same purpose by the Australians during World War II. This was because Playfair is reasonably fast to use and requires no special equipment.

### Procedure/ Algorithm:

- Take Plain/cipher text and key as input
- Convert them to lower case and remove all spaces
- Take the text and make a group of two alphabets(diagraphs) and make sure same alphabets should not be together
- Apply row column and rectangle rule to the diagraphs

#### Results:

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def message(text):
    text=text.lower()
    text=text.replace(" ","")
    return text

def diagraph(text):
    diagraph = []
    j = 0
    for i in range(2,len(text), 2):
        diagraph.append(text[j:i])
        j = i
    diagraph.append(text[j:])
    return diagraph
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def fillers(text):
   k = len(text)
       for i in range(0, k, 2):
               new word = fillers(new word)
              break
           else:
   else:
       for i in range(0, k-1, 2):
               new word = fillers(new word)
               break
           else:
               new word = text
   return new word
def keyTable(key, alpha):
   key letters = []
   for i in key:
       if i not in key_letters:
           key letters.append(i)
   for i in alpha:
       if i not in key letters:
               continue
           key letters.append(i)
   print(key letters)
   key matrix = []
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for i in range(5):
        key matrix.append('')
    key matrix[0] = key letters[0:5]
    key matrix[1] = key letters[5:10]
    key matrix[2] = key letters[10:15]
    key matrix[3] = key letters[15:20]
    key_matrix[4] = key_letters[20:25]
    return key_matrix
def matrix_Position(key_matrix, element):
    for i in range(5):
        for j in range(5):
            if(key matrix[i][j] == element):
def encrypt RowRule(key matrix, e1r, e1c, e2r, e2c):
    char1 = ''
    if e1c == 4:
        char1 = key matrix[e1r][0]
    else:
        char1 = key matrix[e1r][e1c+1]
   char2 = ''
    if \ e2c == 4:
        char2 = key_matrix[e2r][0]
    else:
        char2 = key_matrix[e2r][e2c+1]
    return char1, char2
def encrypt_ColumnRule(key_matrix, e1r, e1c, e2r, e2c):
    char1 = ''
    if e1r == 4:
        char1 = key matrix[0][e1c]
    else:
        char1 = key matrix[e1r+1][e1c]
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char2 = key matrix[0][e2c]
    else:
        char2 = key matrix[e2r+1][e2c]
    return char1, char2
def encrypt RectangleRule(key matrix, e1r, e1c, e2r, e2c):
   char1 = ''
    char1 = key matrix[e1r][e2c]
    char = ''
    char2 = key matrix[e2r][e1c]
    return char1, char2
def encryption(key matrix, message list):
    cipher text list = []
    for i in range(0, len(message list)):
        ele1 x, ele1 y = matrix Position(key matrix,
message list[i][0]
        ele2 x, ele2 y = matrix Position(key matrix,
message list[i][1])
            c1, c2 = encrypt RowRule(key matrix, ele1 x, ele1 y,
ele2 x, ele2_y)
        elif ele1 y == ele2 y:
            c1, c2 = encrypt ColumnRule(key matrix, ele1 x, ele1 y,
ele2_x, ele2_y)
            c1, c2 = encrypt_RectangleRule(key_matrix, ele1_x, ele1_y,
ele2 x, ele2 y)
        cipher = c1 + c2
        cipher text list.append(cipher)
    return cipher text list
def decrypt RowRule(key matrix, e1r, e1c, e2r, e2c):
    char1 = ''
   if elc == 0:
        char1 = key matrix[e1r][4]
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else:
        char1 = key matrix[e1r][e1c-1]
    char2 = ''
    if \ e2c == 0:
        char2 = key matrix[e2r][4]
        char2 = key_matrix[e2r][e2c-1]
def decrypt_ColumnRule(key_matrix, e1r, e1c, e2r, e2c):
    char1 = ''
    if e1r == 0:
        char1 = key matrix[4][e1c]
        char1 = key matrix[e1r-1][e1c]
    char2 = ''
        char2 = key matrix[4][e2c]
    else:
        char2 = key matrix[e2r-1][e2c]
    return char1, char2
def decrypt RectangleRule(key matrix, e1r, e1c, e2r, e2c):
    char1 = ''
    char1 = key_matrix[e1r][e2c]
    char = ''
    char2 = key matrix[e2r][e1c]
    return char1, char2
def decryption(key matrix, message list):
    cipher_text_list = []
    for i in range(0, len(message list)):
        c1 = 0
        ele1_x, ele1_y = matrix_Position(key_matrix,
message list[i][<mark>0</mark>])
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ele2 x, ele2 y = matrix Position(key matrix,
message list[i][1])
        if ele1 x == ele2 x:
            c1, c2 = decrypt RowRule(key matrix, ele1 x, ele1 y,
ele2 x, ele2 y)
        elif ele1 y == ele2 y:
            c1, c2 = decrypt ColumnRule(key matrix, ele1 x, ele1 y,
ele2 x, ele2 y)
        else:
            c1, c2 = decrypt RectangleRule(key matrix, ele1 x, ele1 y,
ele2 x, ele2 y)
        cipher = c1 + c2
        cipher text list.append(cipher)
    return cipher text list
def encrypt process():
   plain text = input("Please enter your message: ")
   plain text = message(plain text)
   plain text list = diagraph(fillers(plain text))
   if len(plain text list[-1]) != 2:
        plain text list[-1] = plain text list[-1] + 'z'
    key = input("Please enter your key: ")
    key = message(key)
    key matrix = keyTable(key, alpha)
   print("Plain Text:", plain text)
   CipherList = encryption(key_matrix, plain_text_list)
   CipherText = ""
   for i in CipherList:
        CipherText += i
    print("CipherText:", CipherText)
def decrypt process():
    cipher text = input("Please enter your message: ")
    cipher text = message(cipher text)
   cipher text list = diagraph(fillers(cipher text))
    if len(cipher text list[-1]) != 2:
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cipher_text_list[-1] = cipher_text_list[-1] + 'z'
    key = input("Please enter your key: ")
    key = message(key)
    key matrix = keyTable(key, alpha)
    print("Cipher Text:", cipher_text)
    PlainList = decryption(key matrix, cipher text list)
    PlainText = ""
    for i in PlainList:
        PlainText += i
   print("PlainText:", PlainText)
choice = 0
while(choice!=3):
    choice = int(input("Press\n1 to encrypt\n2 to decrypt\n3 to
exit\n"))
    if choice == 1:
    if choice == 2:
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Output:
Press
1 to encrypt
2 to decrypt
3 to exit
Please enter your message: Mass bunk tomorrow
Please enter your key: itgroup
['i', 't', 'g', 'r', 'o', 'u', 'p', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'h', 'k', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'q', 's', 'v', 'w', 'x', 'y', 'z']
Plain Text: massbunktomorrow
CipherText: npnzqcaleotsiooixv
Press
1 to encrypt
2 to decrypt
3 to exit
2
Please enter your message: npnzqcaleotsiooixv
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Please enter your key: itgroup

['i', 't', 'g', 'r', 'o', 'u', 'p', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'h', 'k', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'q', 's', 'v', 'w', 'x', 'y', 'z']

Cipher Text: npnzqcaleotsiooixv PlainText: masxsbunktomorrowz

Press

1 to encrypt

2 to decrypt

3 to exit

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Bye

#### References:

- 1) <a href="https://www.educba.com/tvpes-of-cipher/">https://www.educba.com/tvpes-of-cipher/</a>
- 2)https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/playfair-cipher-with-examples/
- 3)https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hirmJGZXFQg&t=4s

## Lab practice (optional):

L1. Implement Vigenere cipher.

## Questions (Short, Long, MCQs) (optional):

- S1: Monoalphabetic substitution v/s Polyalphabetic sustitution.
- L1: Encrypt given sentence using Playfair cipher.
- L2: Encrypt given sentence using Vigenere cipher.