

Homework #6

Hail Caesar (shift)!

Assigned: October 11, 2017

Due: Oct. 25 by 11:59:59 PM

A Caesar shift is one of the oldest forms of encryption. It was originally implemented by using two strips of paper with the alphabet written on them. One of the strips was then shifted a certain number of spaces over. For example, a shift of 3 would change the letter 'A' to 'D', 'B' to 'E', and so on. 'Z' would shift back around to 'C'.

This assignment will allow the user to enter a message of up to 200 characters, we will then encode it by shifting it 4 characters over, and decode it again

NOTE: There is extra credit that allows earning up to 120% on this assignment. Refer to the extra credit section

Requirements:

- Name the source file for your program `program6.cpp`
- Declare two constant integers in the global space:
Name the first one `SIZE` and initialize it to a value of 200
Name the second one `SHIFT` and initialize it to a value of 4
- Declare two functions, one to encode and the other to decode the message
- The message must be stored in an array of characters, which **must** be declared in your `main` function. The size of this array is `SIZE`
- The message must be converted to upper case
 - You are only expected to encode and decode letters, not numbers or symbols
- When the user is done typing the message, they will hit the enter key. That keystroke is **not** to be saved to the array
- A sample run of your program should look like:

```
[WSUID@localhost Homeworks]$ ./prog6
Please enter a message (200 character limit): zip zap zooey

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ZIP ZAP ZOOEY
[WSUID@localhost Homeworks]$
```

Hints:

- **IMPORTANT:** Any attempt to circumvent the encode/decode process to simply have “correct” output will be considered cheating, and an automatic score of 0 will be assigned
- Recall that `char` is also a small integer. We can use this to our advantage
 - <http://www.asciitable.com/>
- For simple encryptions like this, decoding is simply reversing the encoding process
 - Encoding will likely be a mix of the actual encode process and a character control process
 - Be sure to only reverse the encoding portion
- In order to read in the entire message (including whitespace) and perform proper processing, `cin.get()` will be helpful
- EXTRA CREDIT HINT: You will likely need to declare more than one array

Extra Credit:

- For 8 points (20%) extra credit on this assignment, perform a rail-fence cipher on top of the Caesar shift (2 layers only)
- Information about rail-fence cipher: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rail_fence_cipher
- The same sample run should look like this:

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[WSUID@localhost Homeworks]$ ./prog6
Please enter a message (200 character limit): zip zap zooley

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[WSUID@localhost Homeworks]$
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Reminders:

- Be sure that your program includes your name, ID, description, etc. as shown in the General Homework Requirements Handout
- Use good style including indentation, comments, etc. Part of the grade will be for style and quality.
- Carefully test your program.
- You are welcome to write your program at home. If you do, be sure to compile and test it in the lab before submitting it.

How to submit your program:

- Submit the file `program6.cpp` electronically using `~cs211a/bin/handin 6 program4.cpp`