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Week 7: VECTORS (cont.)

### Attendance:

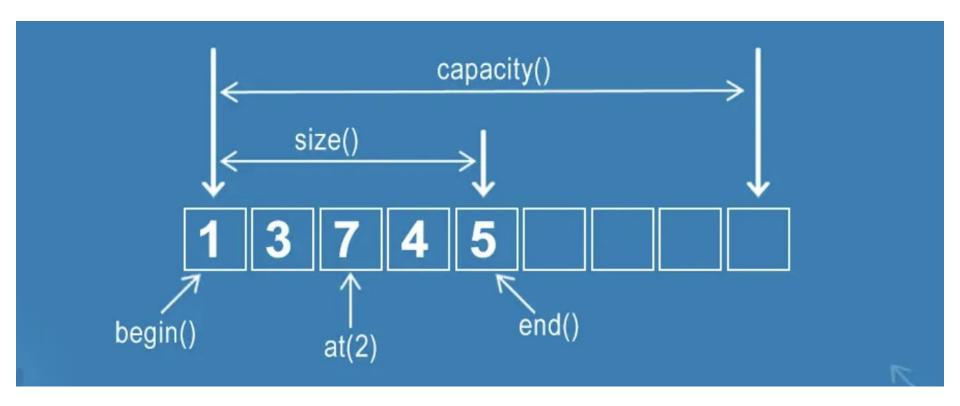
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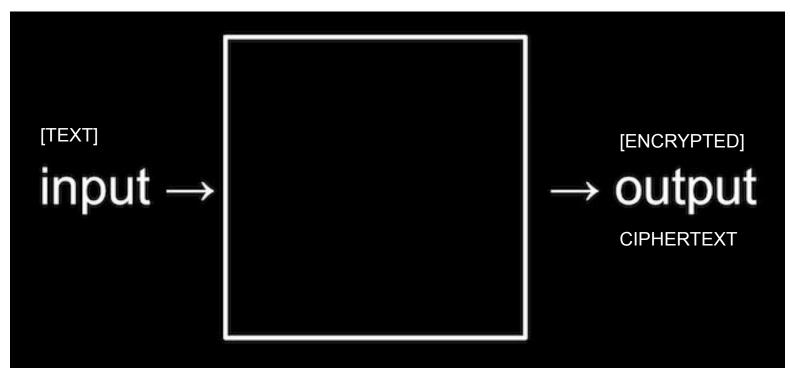
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## vectors!



cryptography = hidden writing (Greek)

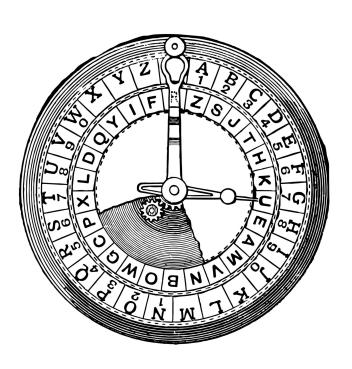


From Harvard CS50

## cipher, cypher

- Origins: meant "zero" or circle
- Then meant number, doing arithmetic
- Then meant **encoding** text, hidden

# cipher, cypher





# <u>Caesar cipher</u> Caesar shift

Substitution cipher

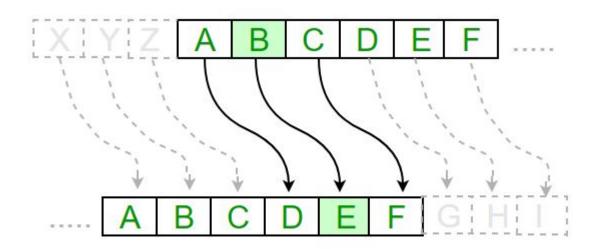
military messages, 1st cent. CE



Original Message: "ATTACK AT DAWN"

SHIFT, or KEY: 3

Encrypted Message: "DWWDFN DW GDZQ"

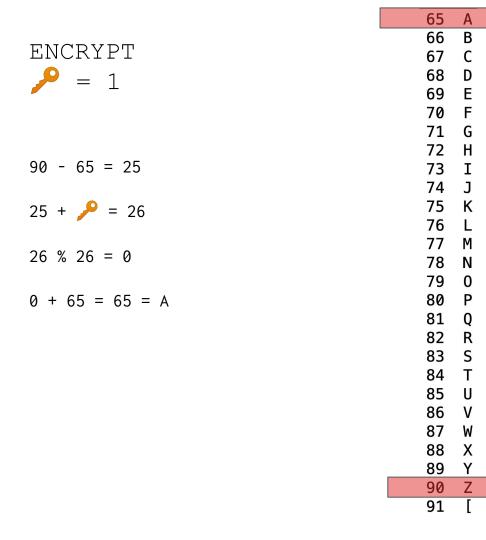


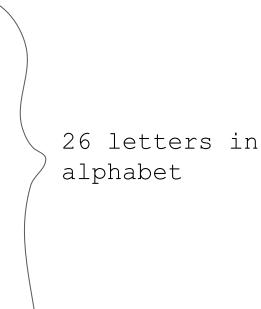


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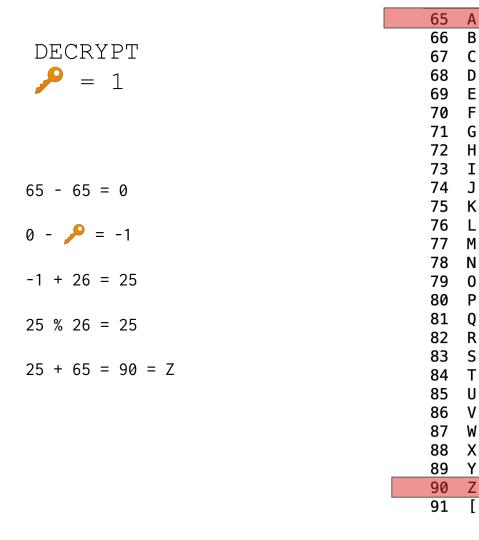
### Caesar shift in c++ :

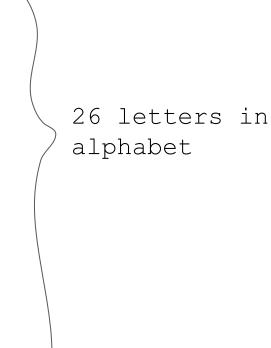
- String as input
- $\nearrow$  shift as input
- Decrypted ciphertext as output



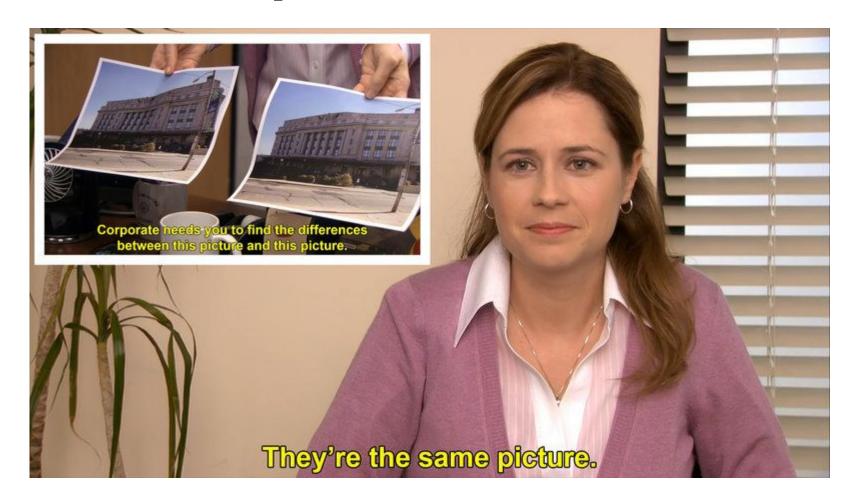


# $E_n(x) = (x+n) \mod 26.$





### vectors vs. arrays?



#### vectors vs. arrays

- BIG DIFFERENCE:
  YOU CANNOT SIMPLY RESIZE ARRAYS!
- This makes arrays faster, if you are really in need of speedy performance (large, large datasets)
- For our purposes, simpler to use dynamic vectors

```
myContainer.at(i) vs. myContainer[i]
```

- .at() function checks the size of your container
- [] does not check the range!
- Both work for vectors
- Only [] works for built-in arrays ... BUT ...

### C-strings vs. strings (C++)

```
char myWord[6] = "hello";
string myWord = "hello";
```

- C-string = older, from C, built-in
- Literally array of characters,
  with '\0' to END (size = +1)
- Different library of functions than C++ strings
- Easy to make mistakes with!

### Why learn arrays + C-strings?

- We still see them in code ("legacy")
- Good to understand the most basic data types (like ... binary) to know where our more advanced features come from!
- Vectors came from limitations with arrays, the standard template string from limitations with C-strings, etc.!