# Revision notes - MA3269

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# 1 Counting

#### 1.1 Geometric and Arithmetic Series

**Definition 1.1** (Geometric series).

A geometric series is a sum of the form

$$a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^n$$

Theorem 1.1 (Sum of Geometric series).

The value of sum of a geometric series up to nth term,  $G_n$ , for  $r \neq 1$ , is given by the formula

$$G_n = a \frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1}$$

The following is an example of solving generating functions of an infinite sequence. Suppose  $a_0 = 1$ ,  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $a_2 = 3$ . Also, the recurrence relation of the sequence is  $a_n = 2a_{n-1}+1$ . Define the **generating function** U(x) as follows,

$$U(t) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n t^n \quad (|t| < 1)$$

$$= t + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n t^n$$

$$= t + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (2a_{n-1} + 1)t^n$$

$$= t + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} t^n + 2t \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n-1} t^{n-1}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t^n + 2t \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n t^n$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t^n - 1 + 2t \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n t^n$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t^n - 1 + 2t U(t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-t} - 1 + 2t U(t)$$

Solving U(t) and partial fractioning, we have

$$U(t) = \frac{1}{1 - 2t} - \frac{1}{1 - t}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2t)^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t^n$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^n - 1)t^n$$

By definition,

$$U(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n t^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^n - 1)t^n$$

Hence,

$$a_n = 2^n - 1$$

Theorem 1.2 (Trianglar Number).

$$T_n = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$$

**Definition 1.2** (Arithmetic series).

More generally, an **arithmetic series** is a sum of the form

$$a + (a + d) + (a + 2d) + \dots + (a + nd)$$

The number a is called the **first term** and the number d is called the **common difference** of the arithmetic series.

Theorem 1.3 (Sum of arithmetic series).

The sum of an arithmetic series, up to nth term,  $A_n$  is given by

$$A_n = \frac{1}{2}(n+1)(2a+dn)$$

#### 1.2 Sets

Similar objects are often gathered together for easy reference. Such a collection is called a set.

The item in a set are often referred to as **elements** or **members** of the set.

We exhibit members of a set within parentheses:

$$S = \{a, e, i, o, u\}$$
 or  $S = \{x : x \text{ is a vowel of the English alphabet}\}$ 

We use the notation  $x \in S$  to mean "x is a member of S".

The notation  $x \notin S$  means "x is not a member of S".

**Definition 1.3** (Empty Set).

The **empty set** is the set containing *no* members. This is denoted by  $\varnothing$ . That is

$$\emptyset = \{\}$$

#### Definition 1.4 (Union).

The **union** of sets A and B is the set whose elements are precisely those belong to A or B. Symbolically, we denote the union by  $A \cup B$ :

$$A \cup B = \{x : x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$$

### **Definition 1.5** (Intersection).

The **intersection** of sets A and B is the set whose elements are precisely those belong to A and B. Symbolically, we denote the intersection by  $A \cap B$ :

$$A \cap B = \{x : x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$$

### **Definition 1.6** (Disjoint Set).

Sets A and B are **disjoint** if

$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$

Theorem 1.4 (Properties of union and intersection).

- $\bullet$   $A \cup B = B \cup A, A \cap B = B \cap A.$
- $(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$
- $(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$
- $\bullet \ A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$
- $\bullet \ A\cap (B\cup C)=(A\cap C)\cup (A\cap C)$
- $\bullet$   $A \cup A = A, A \cap A = A$
- $A \cup \emptyset = A, A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$

# Definition 1.7 (Subset).

If every element of A is also an element of B, then A is a **subset** of B.

$$A \subseteq B$$

Some immediate consequence of the definition of a subset:

- For any set  $A, A \subseteq A, \varnothing \subseteq A$ .
- For sets A, B,

$$A \subseteq A \cup B, \quad A \cap B \subset A$$

• If  $A \subseteq B$ , then

$$A \cup B = B, \quad A \cap B = A$$

We are often interested in subsets of a fixed reference set called the **unviersal set**, usually denoted by U.

### Definition 1.8 (Complement).

Suppose U is the given universal set, and  $A \subseteq U$ . Then the **complement** of A, denoted by  $A^c$ , is the set consisting of all the elements of U which are not in A. That is

$$A^c = \{ x \in U : x \notin A \}$$

By definition,

$$A \cup A^c = U, \quad A \cap A^c = \emptyset$$

### Theorem 1.5 (de Morgan's laws).

The following properties hold for set A,B.

- $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$
- $\bullet \ (A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$

Theorem 1.6 (Principle of Inclusion and Exclusion).

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) - \sum_{1 \le i_1 \le i_2 \le n} P(A_{i_1} A_{i_2}) + \dots + (-1)^{r+1} \sum_{1 \le i_1 \le \dots \le i_r \le n} P(A_{i_1} \dots A_{i_r}) + \dots + (-1)^{n+1} P(A_1 \dots A_n)$$

### **Definition 1.9** (Floor function).

For any real number x, the **floor** of x, denoted by

 $\lfloor x \rfloor$ 

is the largest integer  $\leq x$ .

# Definition 1.10 (Ceiling function).

For any real number x, the **ceiling** of x, denoted by

 $\lceil x \rceil$ 

is the smallest integer  $\geq x$ .

# Theorem 1.7 (Number of multiples).

Let i and n be positive integers. The number of multiples of i among the integers  $1, 2, \ldots, n$  is

 $\left|\frac{n}{i}\right|$ 

### 1.3 Counting Principles

Theorem 1.8 (Addition Principle).

If a choice from set  $A_i$  can be made in  $n_i$  ways for  $i=1,\ldots,m$ , then the number of choices from  $A_1 \cup \cdots \cup A_m$  is

$$n_1 + \cdots + n_m$$

Necessary condition: The sets  $A_1, \ldots, A_m$  are pairwise/mutually disjoint, i.e.  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  for all  $i \neq j$ .

Theorem 1.9 (Multiplication Principle).

If a task involves a sequence of m steps, where the ith step can be completed in  $n_i$  ways, then there are

$$n_1 \times \cdots n_m$$

ways to complete the task.

Necessary condition: The ways each step can be completed are indepedent of each other.

# 1.4 Arrangements and Combinations

#### Theorem 1.10.

Let  ${}^{n}P_{k}$  be the number of ways of arranging, in a row, k different objects taken from n different objects. Then

$$^{n} P_{k} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

#### Theorem 1.11.

The number of ways of arranging in a row  $n_1$  identical objects of Type 1,  $n_2$  identical objects of Type 2, ..., and  $n_k$  identical objects of Type k, is equal to

$$\frac{(\sum_{i=1}^k n_i)!}{\prod_{i=1}^k n_i!}$$

Theorem 1.12 (Circular Arrangements).

The number of ways of arranging n different objects in a circle is

$$(n-1)!$$

#### Theorem 1.13.

Let  ${}^{n}C_{k}$  denote the number of ways of choosing k objects from a set of n different objects. Then

$${}^{n}C_{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

Another notation for  ${}^{n}C_{k}$  is  $\binom{n}{k}$ .

Theorem 1.14 (Simple properties of binomial coefficients).

- $\bullet$   $\binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1$
- $\bullet \ \binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$
- $\bullet \sum_{i=0}^{n} \binom{n}{i} = 2^n$

### 1.5 Number of Routes on Rectangular Grid

#### Theorem 1.15.

On a rectangular grid, the number of routes from (i, j) to (k, l) moving easterly or notherly without back-tracking is

$$\frac{((k-i)+(l-j))!}{(k-i)!(l-j)!} = \binom{k+l-i-j}{k-i} = \binom{k+l-i-j}{l-j}$$

# 1.6 Pigeonhole Principle

### Theorem 1.16 (Pigeonhole Principle).

Suppose m objects are distributed among n pigeonholes. If m > n, then there is at least **one** pigeonhole with at least **two** of the distributed objects.

### Theorem 1.17 (Extended Pigeonhole Principle).

If m objects are distributed among n pigeonholes and m > n, then there will be **one** pigeonhole which contains **at least**  $\lceil \frac{m}{n} \rceil$  objects.

# 2 Graphing

#### 2.1 Introduction

#### Definition 2.1 (Graph).

A graph is a collection of points and lines connecting *some pairs* of the points.

The points are called the **vertices**.

The lines joining any the vertices are called **edges**.

Two vertices that are joined by an edge are called **adjacent** vertices.

#### **Definition 2.2** (Simple Graph).

A graph without loops and multiple edges is called a **simple graph**.

### 2.2 Basic Technology

#### Definition 2.3 (Walk).

A walk is a sequence of vertices and edges in a graph such that

- the sequence alternates between vertices and edges, starting and ending with vertices; and
- each edge in the sequence joins the vertices that occur immediately before and after it in the sequence

A walk that starts and ends at *different* vertices is called an **open walk**.

A walk that starts and ends at the same vertex is called a **closed walk**.

A walk that contains no repeated vertices and edges is called a **path**.

#### Definition 2.4 (Cycle).

A cycle in a graph is a closed walk in which the only repitition is the first and last vertex.

#### **Definition 2.5** (Length).

The **length** of a walk is defined as the number of edges in the walk, including repetitions.

#### **Definition 2.6** (Degree).

The **degree** of a vertex in a graph is the number of edges that occur at that vertex, with every *loop counted as two*.

#### Theorem 2.1 (Degree Theorem).

In any graph, the sum of all the degrees is equal to **twice** the number of edges.

In particular, the sum of all the degrees must be even.

#### **Definition 2.7** (Odd and Even Vertex).

An **odd** vertex is a vertex whose degree is an odd number.

An **even** vertex is a vertex whose degree is an even number.

#### **Definition 2.8** (Minimum and Maximum Degree).

In any graph G, the symbol  $\delta(G)$  represents the **minimum** degree in G; the symbol  $\Delta(G)$  represents the maximum degree.

#### 2.3 Trees

**Definition 2.9** (Trees).

A tree is a simple graph that is connected and contains no cycle.

Definition 2.10 (Leaf).

A **leaf** is a vertex of degree 1.

Theorem 2.2 (Leaf Lemma).

Every tree with two or more vertices has at least two vertices of degree 1.

Theorem 2.3 (Tree theorem).

Every tree with n vertices has exactly n-1 edges.

### 2.4 Minimal Spanning Trees

**Definition 2.11** (Weighted Graphs).

A **weighted graph** is a graph in which each edge has a number associated with it, which we refer to as the **weight** of that edge.

Definition 2.12 (Subgraph).

A **subgraph** of a graph G is a graph H whose vertices and edges are taken from those of G.

**Definition 2.13** (Weight of a graph).

The **weight** of a graph G is the sum of weights of all its edges. Symbolically,

$$w(G) = \sum_{e \text{ edge of } G} w(e)$$

where w(e) denotes the weight of the edge e.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Definition 2.14} & (Spanning Tree). \end{tabular}$ 

A spanning tree of a given graph G is a subgraph T of G which is a tree and it contains all the vertices of G.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \bf Definition \ 2.15 \ (Minimal \ Spanning \ Tree). \end{tabular}$ 

A minimal spanning tree of G is a spanning tree which has the minimum weight among all the spanning trees of G.

Theorem 2.4 (Prim's algorithm).

**Prim's Algorithm** is a procedure for constructing a minimal spanning tree in a given weighted graph:

Input: a weighted graph G

 $\mathbf{Output}$ : a minimal spanning tree T of G

Algorithm:

- Start with any vertex and select an edge having the minimum weight among all the edges at that vertex
- Consider *all* edges that go from each vertex already reached to a new vertex. Select one that has *minimum weight*.
- Continue until all vertices have been reached.

#### 2.5 Euler Walks

In this section, we allow graphs to contain loops and multiple edges.

#### **Definition 2.16** (Directed graph).

A directed graph is a graph in which *every* edge is assigned a direction indicated by an arrow(called a directed edge).

#### **Definition 2.17** (Walk in directed graph).

A walk in a directed graph is a sequence of vertices and directed edges such that

- the sequence alternates between vertices and directed edges, starting and ending with vertices; and
- each directed edge in the sequence joins the vertices that occur immediately before and after it in the sequence in the direction indicated by the arrow of the directed edge.

#### Definition 2.18 (Euler walk).

An **Euler walk** in a graph is a walk that uses every edge in the graph exactly once.

A **closed** Euler walk (also known as **Euler circuit**) is an Euler walk that starts and ends at the same vertex.

An **open** Euler walk is an Euler walk that starts and ends at different vertices.

**Note:** When tracing an Euler walk,

- a vertex may be visited more than once
- every edge is visited exactly once
- the entire graph is traced without lifting the pen

#### **Theorem 2.5** (Euler Walk Theorem I).

A connected *undirected* graph contains a *closed* Euler walk if and only if *every* vertex has **even** degree.

#### Theorem 2.6 (Euler Walk Theorem II).

A connected undirected graph contains an open Euler walk starting from vertex A and ending at vertex B if and only if

- vertices A and B have odd degree; and
- all the other vertices have even degree.

#### **Theorem 2.7** (Euler Walk Theorem I – directed version).

A connected directed graph contains a *closed* Euler walk if and only if for *every* vertex the number of arrows pointing **in** is *equal* to the number of arrows pointing **out**.

#### Theorem 2.8 (Euler Walk Theorem II – directed version).

A connected directed graph contains an open Euler walk starting from vertex A and ending at vertex B if and only if

- for vertex A, the number of arrows pointing out is exactly one more than the number of arrows pointing in;
- for vertex B, the number of arrows pointing in is exactly one more than the number of arrows pointing out;
- for all other vertices, the number of arrows pointing in is equal to the number of arrows pointing out.

#### **An algorithm** to construct an Euler circuit:

- (1) Make sure the graph is connected and all vertices are even.
- (2) Start anywhere. Construct a closed walk without repeated edges.
- (3) If the closed walk covers all edges, DONE.
- (4) If not, construct another closed walk without repeated edges and combine the two to get a bigger closed walk.
- (5) Repeat (4) and stop when all edges are used

#### Chinese Postman Problem:

Given a connected weighted graph or directed graph G, find the shortest circuit that uses each edge in G at least once.

The simplest case: This occurs when every vertex in the graph has even degree, for in this case an Euler circuit solves the problem. General case: Vertices of odd degree present

- 1. List all odd vertices
- 2. List all possible pairing of odd vertices
- 3. For each pairing, find paths that connect the vertices with the minimum weight. Find the pairings such that the sum of the weights is minimised.
- 4. On the original graph, add the edges that have been found in Step 3
- 5. The length of an optimal Chinese postman route is the sum of all the edges added to the total found in Step 4
- 6. A route corresponding to this minimum weight is an Euler circuit in the graph obtained in Step 5.

# 2.6 Vertex Coloring

Definition 2.19 (Proper Vertex Coloring).

A **proper vertex coloring** of a graph is an assignment of a color to each vertex of the graph in such a way that any two vertices that are adjacent have *different* colours.

### **Definition 2.20** (Minimal Proper Vertex Coloring).

We are interested in a proper vertex coloring of a given graph G using the smallest possible number of colors. Such a coloring is called a **minimal proper vertex coloring** of G.

The number of colors that occurs in a minimal proper vertex coloring is called the **chromatic** number of G, denoted by

$$\chi(G)$$

#### Definition 2.21 (Complete Graph).

The **complete graph** on n vertices is a graph on n vertices such that any two vertices are joined by an edge. It is denoted by  $K_n$ .

#### **Theorem 2.9** (Vertex Coloring Theorem).

If a graph G contains a complete graph on n vertices, then a proper vertex coloring of G must use at least n colors. Therefore,  $\chi(G) \geq n$ .

#### Definition 2.22 (Cycle Graph).

A cycle graph of length n is denoted by  $C_n$ .

#### Theorem 2.10 (Vertex Coloring Theorem II).

If a graph G contains a cycle graph  $C_n$  on n vertices where n is odd, then a proper vertex coloring of G must use at least 3 colours. Therefore,  $\chi(G) \geq 3$ .

### **Theorem 2.11** (Upper bound algorithm for $\chi$ ).

1. Arrange the degrees of a graph G in decreasing order:

$$d_1 \geq d_2 \geq d_3 \geq \cdots$$

2. Place the integers  $1, 2, 3, \ldots$  directly under these degrees until you reach an integer k such that  $k + 1 > d_{k+1}$ .

Then for this graph G, we have

$$\chi(G) \le k + 1$$

# 3 Clocking

### 3.1 Parity of integers

**Definition 3.1** (Parity).

Two integers are said to be of the same **parity** if they are either both odd or both even.

**Theorem 3.1** (Difference of integers of same parity).

If two integers are of the same parity, then their difference is an even integer.

### 3.2 Congreunce Equations

#### Definition 3.2.

Suppose a and b are integers such that their difference is a multiple of a positive integer n. Then we write

$$a \equiv b \pmod{n}$$

where n is called the modulus.

Theorem 3.2 (Properties of modulo arithematic).

If the remainder of a when divided by n is r, then

$$a \equiv r \pmod{n}$$

 $a \equiv bpmodn$  if and only if a and b have the same remainder when divided by n.

If  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ , then  $a \equiv b \pm n \pmod{n}$ .

Suppose  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ , then

$$ka \equiv kb \pmod{n}$$

where k is a integer; and

$$a^p \equiv b^p \pmod{n}$$

where p is a positive integer.

Congruences are transitive in a sense that, if  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$  then

$$a \equiv c \pmod{n}$$

Two congruences with the same modulus can be added to each other or multiplied one by the other.

Suppose  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{n}$  then

$$a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{n}$$
  
 $ac \equiv bd \pmod{n}$ 

**Theorem 3.3** (Congruence mod 9).

Let S be the sum of digits of the decimal representation of the positive integer N. Then

$$N \equiv S \pmod{9}$$

Theorem 3.4 (Checking product).

Suppose  $A \times B = C$ , then

$$S \times T \equiv U \pmod{n}$$

where S,T,U are the sums of digits of A,B,C respectively.

# 4 Coding

### 4.1 Number representation System

Number representation systems are covered in CS2100 Revision Notes.

#### 4.2 Error Detection Code

**Definition 4.1** (Weighted Sum).

Given the sequence (or word)  $S_n S_{n-1} \cdots S_2 S_1$ , its weighted sum is the sum

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} i \times e_i$$

where  $e_i$  is the numerical value which corresponds to the symbol  $S_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le n$ .

Theorem 4.1 (Encoding Procedure Modulo 37).

Input: A sequence  $\mathbf{S} = S_n S_{n-1} \cdots S_2, n \leq 36$ .

1. Find the check digit c such that

$$w(e_n e_{n-1} \cdots e_2 c) \equiv 0 \mod 37$$

where w denotes the weighted sum.

2. Find the symbol  $S_1$  that corresponds to c.

**Output**: The encoded sequence is

$$S_n S_{n-1} \cdots S_2 S_1$$

**Definition 4.2** (Error).

A word is said to contain k errors if k of its letters are erroneous.

Theorem 4.2 (Error Detection).

If A is a correctly encoded word, and during transmission, some errors occur and the word A' is received. The errors in A' is said to be detected if its weighted sum

$$w(A') \not\equiv 0 \mod 37$$

**Theorem 4.3.** In weighted sum encoding modulo 37, if a single error occurs, then it can be detected.

Theorem 4.4. Weighted sum modulo 37 can detect a transposition error.

#### 4.3 ISBN

ISBN is also a encoding scheme with 10 digits which detects the error with module 11, and check digit at last.

**Theorem 4.5.** ISBN can detect a single error and a transposition error.

### 4.4 Hamming (7,4) Codes

Error recovery can be achieved with

- Hamming (7,4) Codeword
- Hamming (8,4) Codeword

**Definition 4.3** (Hamming (7,4) Code).

Hamming (7,4) Code

- encodes 4 bits (0 or 1) of data into 7 bits by adding 3 parity bits
- can detect and correct any single-bit error
- can **detect** but *not* correct a 2-bit error

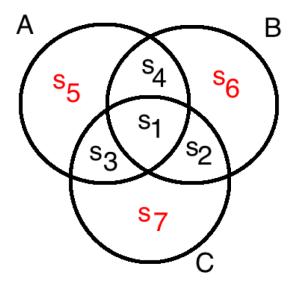
Construction of Hamming Code:

Input: 4-bit message  $w = s_1 s_2 s_3 s_4$ .

**Output**: 7-bit code  $h = s_1 s_2 s_3 s_4 s_5 s_6 s_7$ , where  $s_5, s_6, s_7$  are parity bits defined as follows:

$$s_1 + s_3 + s_4 + s_5 \equiv 0 \mod 2$$
  
 $s_1 + s_2 + s_4 + s_6 \equiv 0 \mod 2$   
 $s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + s_7 \equiv 0 \mod 2$ 

The parity bits are defined in such a way that the total number of 1's in each of the circles



A, B, C must be **even**.

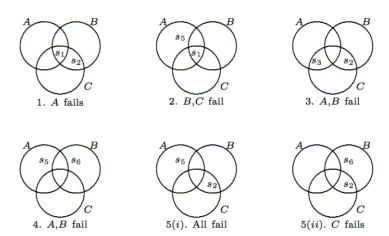
**Theorem 4.6.** Hamming (7,4) Code can correct a 1-bit error.

Error bit	Parity Check
$s_1$	All circles $A, B, C$ fail the parity check
$s_2$	Only $B$ and $C$ fail the parity check
$s_3$	Only $A$ and $C$ fail the parity check
$s_4$	Only $A$ and $B$ fail the parity check
$s_5$	Only A fails the parity check
$s_6$	Only B fails the parity check
$s_7$	Only C fails the parity check
no error	All $A, B, C$ pass the parity check

**Theorem 4.7.** For Hamming (7,4) Code, the categories of possible senarios can be classified as follows if there were actually two errors:

- 1. Error in  $s_1$  and one of  $s_2, s_3, s_4$
- 2. Error in  $s_1$  and one of  $s_5, s_6, s_7$
- 3. Error in 2 of  $s_2, s_3, s_4$
- 4. Error in 2 of  $s_5, s_6, s_7$
- 5. One error in  $s_2, s_3, s_4$  and one error in  $s_5, s_6, s_7$ . There are two typical sub-cases:
  - (a)  $s_2, s_5$
  - (b)  $s_2, s_6$

In each of these, at least one circle fails.



Do note that Hamming (7,4) code *cannot* rectify two error bits.

# Definition 4.4 (Erasure error).

Erasure error occurs when there is no error in the transmitted word, except that some bits were unrecognisable.

**Theorem 4.8.** Erasure error involving at most 2 bits under Hamming (7,4) Code can *always* be corrected.

# 4.5 Hamming (8,4) Codes

**Definition 4.5** (Hamming (8,4) Code).

THe Hamming (8,4) codeword is formed by

- 1. First, take a Hamming (7,4) codeword  $s_1s_2s_3s_4s_5s_6s_7$ .
- 2. Next, add the extra bit  $s_8$  so that the total number of 1's in the 8-bit word  $s_1 ldots s_8$  is even, i.e.

$$s_1 + \dots + s_8 \equiv 0 \mod 2$$

The above requirement is known as the **overall parity check**.

**Theorem 4.9.** If the overall parity check fails, then there is an **odd** number of errors. If the overall parity check passes, then there is an **even** number of errors.

#### Theorem 4.10.

The overall parity check can detect an odd number of errors.

Suppose it is known that the number of errors is at most 2.

If the overall parity check fails, then there is exactly one error and it can be corrected.

If the overall parity passes and the parity check fails for at least one of the circles, then there are two errors, but it *cannot* be corrected.

If all parity checks pass, then there is no error.

# 5 Enciphering

### 5.1 Early Cryptosystems

#### 5.1.1 Transposition and Substitution Systems

**Definition 5.1** (Polybius Square).

Letters of message are written in  $5 \times 5$  squares and transposed in a prearranged order.

Definition 5.2 (Caesar's Code).

Each letter of the message is replaced by the latter which occupies three positions after the original letter in the natural sequence of the latin alphabet.

The earliest ciphers are essentially of two types:

- Transposition System: This merely rearranges the position of the letters or symbols of the original message according to a prearranged procedure.
- Substitution System: This replaces each letter or symbol of the original message by a different letter or symbol according to some rule.

**Definition 5.3** (Generalised Rail Fence Transposition).

Generalised Rail Fence Transposition is formed by the following procedure:

Suppose we form n lines. The k-th line  $L_k$  consists of all those letters in positions  $k, n + k, 2n + k, \ldots$ 

Then juxtapose these n lines of letters into one single line of letters.

#### 5.1.2 Shift transformation

**Definition 5.4** (Shift Transformation).

Shift transformation moves each letter cyclically a fixed number, say k, of places forward. If we denote A as 0, till Z as 25, then shifting k places forward follows the procedure below:

- Input: an integer x between 0 and 25 inclusive
- Output: integer y, between 0 and 25, satisfying the congruence

$$y \equiv x + k \mod 26$$

# 5.2 Vignere Cipher

**Definition 5.5.** Vignere Cipher

The Vignere Cipher utilises a  $26 \times 26$  Vignere square and a keyword.

Procedure to encode are as following:

- Write the keyword repeatedly in a row above the row of the message one letter of the keyword above one letter of the message.
- For each character in the original message, use itself and the letter of the keyword above to uniquely determines the encoded character.

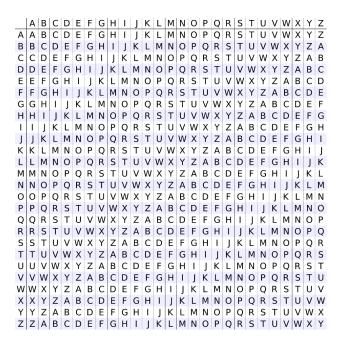


Figure 1: Vignere Cipher

### 5.3 Affine Cryptosystems

**Definition 5.6** (Multiplicative Inverse).

If n is a positive integer greater than 1 and a is any integer, then a is said to have a multiplicative inverse modulo n if there is an integer b such that

$$ab \equiv 1 \mod n$$

**Remark**: If  $ab \equiv 1 \mod n$ , then a and b form an inversive pair. If b is an inverse, then so is b + kn for any integer k.

**Definition 5.7** (Affine Cryptosystem).

An **affine cryptosystem** is a cryptosystem in which the enciphering transformation is of the form

$$y = f(x) \equiv ax + b \mod n$$

where

- n is the total number of letters and symbols that may be used in the plaintext. Usually n = 26.
- $\bullet$  a and b are integers.
- the pair (a, b) is called the **key** of the affine cryptosystem.

Specifically, for affine cryptosystems on a 26-letter alphabet, the following conditions are imposed on the choice of key (a, b):

• 
$$0 < a, b < 25$$

• a is odd and  $a \neq 13$ .

**Theorem 5.1** (Deciphering transformation of an affine cryptosystem on 26 letters). Suppose the enciphering transformation is given by the definition above, then the deciphering transformation is given by

$$x = f^{-1}(y) \equiv a'y - a'b \mod 26$$

where a' is the inverse of a modulo 26.

### 5.4 Greatest Common Divisior & Euclidean Algorithm

**Definition 5.8** (Greatest Common Divisor).

Let a and b be integers, not both zero. An integer that divides both a and b is a common divisor of a and b.

**Greatest Common Divisor** of a and b, denoted by gcd(a,b), is the largest common divisor of both a and b.

**Theorem 5.2.** Let a, b, q, r be integers such that a = bq + r. Then

$$\gcd(a,b) = \gcd(b,r);$$

Theorem 5.3 (Euclidean Algorithm).

Given two integers n and a, where 0 < a < n, we divide n by  $a := r_0$  and make a series of such divisions of  $\frac{r_i}{r_{i+1}}$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \ldots$  which eventually terminate with a zero remainder. The  $r_i$ 's are the remainders. Then we have

$$\gcd(n, a) = \gcd(a, r_1) = \gcd(r_1, r_2) \cdots = \gcd(r_j, 0) = r_j$$

**Remark**: The greatest common divisor can be written in the form of ax + ny, where x, y are integers determinable from backtracking the Euclidean Algorithm.

**Theorem 5.4.** Suppose a has an inverse b modulo n. Then gcd(a, n) = 1.

**Theorem 5.5.** Suppose a, n are positive integers. If gcd(a, n) = 1, then a has an inverse modulo n.

**Theorem 5.6.** Suppose a, n are positive integers. Then a has an inverse modulo n if and only if gcd(a, n) = 1.

**Theorem 5.7** (Fermat's Little Theorem).

Let p be a prime number and a be an integer which is not a multiple of p. Then

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \mod p$$

### 5.5 Public Key Codes: RSA

Theorem 5.8 (RSA Enciphering).

- Pick two large primes p and q. Let n = pq.
- Pick any integer k that is **coprime** to (p-1)(q-1). That is,

$$\gcd(k, (p-1)(q-1)) = 1$$

- The pair of integers (n, k) is the **enciphering key**.
- Let M be the number formed from the string of digits of the plaintext. We require that  $0 \le M < n$ .
- Compute the remainder r of  $M^k$  on division by n, i.e.,

$$r \equiv M^k \mod n$$

• The **ciphertext** is the string of digits of r.

Theorem 5.9 (RSA Deciphering).

• Find the inverse of k modulo (p-1)(q-1) where 1 < j < n. The inverse exists as k and (p-1)(q-1) are coprime. Note that

$$kj \equiv 1 \mod (p-1)(q-1)$$

This means, for some integer t:

$$kj = t(p-1)(q-1) + 1$$

The integer j is the **deciphering key**.

- To decipher the ciphertext r, compute  $r^j$ .
- Then the plaintext M is the remainder of  $r^j$  modulo n:

$$r^j \equiv M^{kj} \equiv M^{t(p-1)(q-1)+1} \equiv M \mod n$$

# 6 Chancing

### 6.1 Sample Space

**Definition 6.1** (Sample Space).

The set of all possible outcomes of an experiment is called the **sample space** associated with the experiment/game.

### 6.2 Event and Probability

#### Theorem 6.1.

Suppose that the sample space S of an experiment is **finite** and that each outcome is **equally** likely.

For any event E where  $E \subseteq S$ , we assign to E a numerical value called the probability of E and denoted by  $\mathbb{P}(E)$ , as follows:

$$\mathbb{P}(E) = \frac{|E|}{|S|}$$

**Theorem 6.2.** We find that for any events A, B, C,

- $\mathbb{P}(A \cup B) = \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B) \mathbb{P}(A \cap B)$
- $\mathbb{P}(A^c) = 1 \mathbb{P}(A)$ .

# 6.3 Independent Events

**Definition 6.2** (Independent events – 2 events).

Let A and B be two events. We say that A and B are **independent events** if

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B)$$

**Definition 6.3** (Independent events – 3 events).

We say that events A, B, C are independent events if

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap C) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(C)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(B \cap C) = \mathbb{P}(B) \cdot \mathbb{P}(C)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B \cap C) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B)\mathbb{P}(C)$$

# 6.4 Conditional Probability

**Definition 6.4** (Conditional Probability).

Let A, B be events in a given sample space S. The **conditional probability** of A given that B has occurred is denoted by  $\mathbb{P}(A \mid B)$  and is defined to be

$$\mathbb{P}(A \mid B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$$

#### Theorem 6.3.

If A and B are independent, then

$$\mathbb{P}(A) = (A \mid B) = \mathbb{A} \mid \mathbb{B}$$

### 6.5 Expectation

**Definition 6.5** (Random Variable).

Let S be the sample space. A **random variable** X is a real-valued function defined on S. That is

$$X:S\to\mathbb{R}$$

**Definition 6.6** (Expectation).

If X is a discrete random variable, the **expected value** of X, denoted by E[X], is defined by

$$E[X] = \sum_{x} x \cdot \mathbb{P}(X = x)$$

Theorem 6.4 (Linearity of Expectation).

Suppose  $X = X_1 + \cdots + X_k$ , where each  $X_i$  is a random variable. Then

$$E[X] = E[X_1] + \dots + E[X_k]$$

### 6.6 Poisson Distribution

Binomial distribution B(N, p) can be approximated by Poisson distribution  $Poi(\lambda)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

- $\bullet$  N is large
- $\lambda = Np$

Then, 
$$\mathbb{P}(X = k) = \binom{N}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{N - k} = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$$
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