

CRYPTOGRAPHY

- Cryptography is the study of sending messages in disguised form so that only intended recipients can remove disguise and read message.
- Message we want to send → Plain text  
disguised Message → Eg Ciphertext
- We Use 'letter' (or character) which includes A-Z, numericals, blanks etc. to write the message.
- Process of converting plaintext to ciphertext is called enciphering or encryption, and Reverse process is deciphering or decryption
- Plaintext and ciphertext are broken into Message units.  
A message units might be → a single letter
  - a pair of letters (digraph)
  - triplet of letters (trigraph)
  - block of 50 letters
- Encryption works as → It is a map  $f$  from the set  $P$  of all possible plaintext message units to set  $S$  of all possible ciphertext message unit.
- decryption is basically  $f^{-1}$ .

$$P \xrightarrow{f} C \xleftarrow{f^{-1}} P$$

Such a set up is called cryptosystems.

→ First step of cryptosystem is to 'label' all message units.

Example → if our plaintext or ciphertext are single letters from A-Z, then we can label them using integers 0, 1, ..., 25.

Ex-2 if our message units are digraphs in 27 letter alphabet consisting A-Z & blank, first consider blank as numerical equivalent 26 and then label the digraph whose 2 letter corresponds to  $x, y \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 26\}$

$$27x + y \in \{0, 1, \dots, 728\}$$

Thus, we view individual letters as digits in base 27 and all view digraph as 2 digit ~~letter~~ integer to that base.

$$\text{Ex- } \text{"NO"} \longrightarrow 27 \cdot 13 + 14 = 365$$

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 $N \quad O$

→ Example → Suppose we are using 26 letter alphabet A-Z with numerical equivalent  $\{P \in \{0, 1, \dots, 25\}\}$  as plaintext. Let letter function  $f$  is defined as

$$f(P) = \begin{cases} P+3 & x < 23 \\ P-23 & x \geq 23 \end{cases}$$

In other words,  $f$  simply adds 3 modulo 26.

$$f(P) = P + 3 \bmod 26.$$

→ The definition using Modular Arithmetic is easier to work with.

Thus, if Plaintext is "YES" then first convert to numbers 24 4 18,

then add 3 modulo 26 : 1 7 21

$$(P \xrightarrow{+3} 1 \rightarrow 25)$$

translate back "BHV".

To decipher, we subtract 3 modulo 26.

- In ~~part~~ Generalising this Example we get,

$$C \equiv P + b \pmod{N}, P = C - b \pmod{N}$$

→ Here  $r, b$  is called a key or enciphering key  
Parameter

Ex →

Suppose there is enciphered message as: "FOCUS DEM". we know that it was enciphered using shift transformation on single letters of 26 letters alphabet, But we have to find  $b$ . To do that using 'frequency Analysis'.

→ Suppose we intercepted a long string of ciphertext. We know that 'E' is most frequently occurring letter in English language. So it is reasonable to assume that most frequently occurring letter in the ciphertext is 'E'. Suppose that we find 'V' is most freq. occurring character.

That means the shift takes, ' $E = 4$ ' to ' $V = 20$ '  
 i.e.,  $20 = 4 + b \text{ mod } 26$

$$\boxed{b = 16}$$

To decipher subtract  $b \text{ mod } 26$

"FOCUS DEM" = 5 16 14 2 20 3 9 12 ↔  
 15 0 24 12 4 13 14 22  
 = "PAYMENT NOW"

DRAWBACK :- We know that,

→ there are only 26 possibilities for  $b$ , one can simply run through all of them. Most likely only one will give message that makes sense. And that  $b$  is encrypting key. Thus it is so much easy to break.

→ A improvement is to use more general type of transformation of  $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ , called an affine map

$$C \equiv aP + b \pmod{N}$$

where,  $a$  and  $b$  are fixed integers

(together they form enciphering key)

→ To decipher message which was enciphered by affine map method,

$$C \equiv aP + b \pmod{N}, \quad P \equiv a'c + b' \pmod{N}$$

Where  $a'$  is ~~the~~ inverse of  $a$  modulo  $N$

$$b' = -a^{-1}b.$$

Note, this works only if  $\gcd(a, N) = 1$

Otherwise we will not get map to be  $1-1$  which was our basic definition.

→ Special Case when  $b = 0$ :

$$P \equiv a \pmod{N}, \quad C \equiv a'P \pmod{N}$$

this case is called linear transformation meaning that map takes sum to a sum, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &\rightarrow p_1, & c_2 &\rightarrow p_2 \\ c_1 + c_2 &\rightarrow p_1 + p_2 \end{aligned}$$

Ex-3 Still working in 26 letter Alphabet, Suppose we know that 'E' = Most frequent character.  
 'D' = 2<sup>nd</sup> Most "

It is reasonable to assume that these are the encryption of 'E' and 'T'.  
 Thus, replacing P and C in deciphering formula we obtain,

$$10a' + b' \equiv 4 \pmod{26}$$

$$3a' + b' \equiv 19 \pmod{26}$$

Subtracting them we get,

$$7a' \equiv 11 \pmod{26}$$

$$\rightarrow a' \equiv 7^{-1} 11 \equiv 9 \pmod{26}$$

$$\text{For } b', \quad b' \equiv 4 - 10a' \equiv 18 \pmod{26}$$

$$\therefore \text{we get, } P \equiv SC + 18 \pmod{26}$$

$\Rightarrow$  sometimes after solving we can get multiple values of  $a'$  and  $b'$  and they all follow can possible affine deciphering.

In that case we have to continue our frequency analysis and find out which one is correct.

## Digraph transformation

CLASSTIME \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
PAGE \_\_\_\_\_

→ Now, Our plaintext and ciphertext are 2-letter block, called digraph.

→ If Plaintext has odd number of letters. Then,  
we add extra letter at end as.

if P has blank in it then add blank.  
else add 26 letter alphabet

→ As we seen before, we work digraph as

$$x \ N + y$$

where  $x \rightarrow$  numerical equivalent of 1<sup>st</sup> letter

$$y \rightarrow \dots \dots \dots \dots$$

$N \rightarrow$  number of letters in alphabet.

We think of digraph as 2-digit base-N integer

→ We define encryption of P to be non-negative  
integer less than  $N^2$ ,

$$C = aP + b \bmod N^2$$

where  $\gcd(a, N) = 1$

$$P = a'c' + b' \bmod N^2$$

Where  $a' \equiv a^{-1} \bmod N^2$

$$b' \equiv -a^{-1}b \bmod N^2$$

Ex-5 → Suppose we are working in 26-letter alphabet and using digraph enciphering,

$$( \equiv 159P + 580 \pmod{676} )$$

$\downarrow N^2 \rightarrow N = 26$

Then digraph 'No' has

$$13 \cdot 26 + 14 = 352 \quad (ii)$$

numerical equivalent

Put (ii) in (i)

$$\begin{aligned} & ( \equiv 159 \cdot 352 + 580 \\ & \equiv 440 \pmod{676} \quad \rightarrow '84' \end{aligned}$$

Ex-6 → Suppose 2 letters have numerical equivalent as  $x$  and  $y$ , then digraph has numerical equivalent as  $27x + y$  (as before).

Suppose study of certain cipher tells that "ZA", "IA", "IW" are most frequently occurring digraphs.

And in English most frequently occurring digraphs are 'E', 'S', 'T'. Then find deciphering key, and read "NDX BHO".

→ We know that, enciphering key

for Enciphering,  $C \equiv ap + b \pmod{729}$

for Deciphering,  $P \equiv a^{-1}(C - b) \pmod{729}$

deciphering key

After doing shifts from "6"  $\rightarrow$  "ZAH"  
 "85"  $\rightarrow$  "IA"  
 "T"  $\rightarrow$  "IW"

we get,

$$675a' + b' \equiv 134 \pmod{729} \quad (1)$$

$$216a' + b' \equiv 512 \pmod{729} \quad (11)$$

$$238a' + b' \equiv 721 \pmod{729} \quad (111)$$

$$\text{Now } (1) - (11)$$

$$437a' \equiv 142 \pmod{729}$$

To solve this we must find inverse of

$$437 \pmod{729}$$

By Euclidean Algorithm in detail,

$$729 = 437 + 292$$

$$437 = 292 + 145$$

$$292 = 2 \cdot 145 + 2$$

$$145 = 72 \cdot 2 + 1$$

∴ And then

$$1 = 145 - 72 \cdot 2$$

$$1 = 145 - 72(292 - 2 \cdot 145)$$

$$= 145 \cdot 145 - 72 \cdot 292$$

$$= 145(437 - 292) - 72 \cdot 292$$

$$= 145 \cdot 437 - 217 \cdot 292$$

$$= 145 \cdot 437 - 217(729 - 437)$$

$\vdots$

$$= 362 \cdot 437 \pmod{729}$$

Thus,  $a' = 362 \cdot 142 \equiv 374 \pmod{729}$

then  $b' = 647 \pmod{729}$

→ To read "N ~~X~~ B H"

Applying deciphering transformation,

→ 354    622    203

We obtain  $365 = 13 \cdot 27 + 14$

$$724 = 26 \cdot 27 + 22$$

$$24 = 0 \cdot 27 + 24$$

We get "NO WAY"



## 2) Enciphering Matrices

→ In this section, we are using Vectors to send digraphs as our message unit.

Ex → if A-Z corresponds to 0-25

then digraph NO corresponds to vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ 14 \end{pmatrix}$ .

→ digraph P as a point on an  $N \times N^{\text{square}}$  array.

→ ~~the~~

→ We interpret an 'enciphering transformation' as a rearrangement of  $N \times N$  array of points, ~~an~~  
An enciphering map is a 1-to-1 function from  $(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^2$  to itself.

## → Review of Linear Algebra

→ We now review how one works with vectors in real  $x-y$  plane & with  $2 \times 2$  Matrices.

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Given  $2 \times 2$  array of numbers  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  \*

a vector in plane  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

→ We can get new Vector as,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax + by \\ cx + dy \end{pmatrix}$$

for a fixed matrix, this function from one vector to another vector is called linear transformation

We can write it as,  $AX = B$  → (i)

where A is  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ ,

X is vector of unknowns  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

B is vector of constants  $\begin{pmatrix} e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$   $\rightarrow e = ax + by$   
 $\rightarrow f = cx + dy$

→ We can find X, by multiplying  $A^{-1}$  to both sides of eq(i)

$$A^{-1} \leftarrow X = A^{-1}B$$

→ Matrix A has inverse if and only if  $D = ad - bc$  is nonzero, and

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} D^{-1}d & D^{-1}b \\ -D^{-1}c & D^{-1}a \end{pmatrix}$$

## Linear Algebra Modulo N

- The Difference when we work with  $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}^2$  rather than  $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$  is that now instead of an integer  $a$  we need  $2 \times 2$  Matrix, denoted by  $A$ .

(in which order doesn't effect result)

- Let  $R$  be any Commutative Ring, i.e., set with multiplication and addition satisfying same rules as in a field, except we do not require that any non zero element have multiplicative inverse.

$\text{Ex } \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$  is always a ring but it is not field unless  $N$  is prime

- If  $R$  is commutative ring, we let  $M_2(R)$  denote the set of all  $2 \times 2$ -matrices with entries in  $R$ .

We call  $M_2(R)$  a "matrix <sup>ring</sup> over  $R$ ";  
it is itself a ring but not commutative because in matrix multiplication order of factors makes difference

Now, we already know that ;  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  has inverse if and only if  $D \neq 0$ ,

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} D^{-1}d & D^{-1}b \\ -D^{-1}c & D^{-1}a \end{pmatrix}$$

→ we have similar situation when we work over an arbitrary ring  $R$ , suppose,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(R)$$

and  $D = \det(A) = ad - bc$  ~~is invertible~~

let  $D^{-1}$  denote the multiplicative inverse of  $D$  then,

$$\begin{pmatrix} D^{-1}d & -D^{-1}b \\ -D^{-1}c & D^{-1}a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D^{-1}(ad - bc) & 0 \\ 0 & D^{-1}(ad - bc) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We obtain same result,

Thus  $A$  has an ~~not~~ inverse matrix given by same formula as in real number,

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} D^{-1}d & -D^{-1}b \\ -D^{-1}c & D^{-1}a \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex- Find inverse of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{Z}/26\mathbb{Z})$$

$$\rightarrow D = 2 \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot 7 \\ = -5$$

$\equiv$  which is  $21$  in  $\mathbb{Z}/26\mathbb{Z}$  since  $\gcd(21, 26) = 1$ ,

$D$  has an inverse,  $D^{-1} = 21^{-1} = 5$ ,

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \cdot 8 & -5 \cdot 3 \\ -5 \cdot 7 & 5 \cdot 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 40 & -15 \\ -35 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 19 & 11 \\ 17 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

→ To solve equations (when Matrix is not invertible),  
is to eliminate one of variables by  
Subtracting.

$$\rightarrow A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad D = ad - bc \quad \gcd(D)n = 1$$

each of plaintext message unit  $P = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  is  
taken to ciphertext  $\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$  by rule

$$C = AP \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

To decipher, take inverse matrix

$$P = A^{-1}AP = A^{-1}C$$

$$\text{i.e., } \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D^{-1}a & -D^{-1}b \\ -D^{-1}c & D^{-1}a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$$

Exn → Given 26 letter alphabet, use matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
to encipher message 'NO'.

$$\rightarrow C = AP = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ 19 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 68 \\ 203 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 21 \end{pmatrix}$$

⇒ Suppose if we are not given the "key" →  
 i.e., Matrix  $A$  and  $A^{-1}$  (deciphering).  
 But we were able to determine  $C_1 = AP_1$  and  
 $C_2 = AP_2$ .

To solve for  $A$  and  $A^{-1}$ , we put 2 columns of  
 $P_1$  and  $P_2$  together into  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $P$  &  
 similarly for ciphered columns.

$$C = AP$$

multiplying  $P^{-1}$  both sides

$$AP^{-1}P = A = CP^{-1}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } A^{-1} = PC^{-1}$$

Ex ⇒ Suppose we have  $2 \times 2$  enciphering matrix with  
 29 letter Alphabet as  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & \dots & 25 \\ 26 & 27 & 28 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 we receive message as

GFPYJP X?UVXSTLA DPLW

Suppose we know last 5 letters of plaintext as  
 'KARLA'. We use 4 letters of this plaintext  
 because we don't have 6<sup>th</sup> letter.

Thus,  
 $DP \rightarrow \text{AR}$

$LW \rightarrow LA$

→ We know;  $\text{C} = \text{A}^{-1} \text{B}$   
 $P = \text{A}^{-1} C$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 11 \\ 17 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{A}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 11 \\ 15 & 22 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 11 \\ 17 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 11 \\ 15 & 22 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 11 \\ 17 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 13 \\ 23 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 19 \\ 22 & 18 \end{pmatrix}$$

→ full plain text,

$$P = \text{A}^{-1} C$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 19 \\ 22 & 18 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 15 & 9 & 26 & 27 & 24 & 18 & 11 & 3 & 11 \\ 5 & 24 & 15 & 23 & 30 & 23 & 19 & 6 & 15 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 18 & 17 & 10 & 26 & 19 & 13 & 14 & 28 & 0 & 11 \\ 19 & 8 & 4 & 6 & 26 & 14 & 13 & 10 & 17 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

= "STRIKE AT NOON! KAKLA"

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