Vigenère cipher

Basics of encryption HW1

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Encryption Algorithm

The algorithm indicates that the encrypted equivalent of a letter is the intersection of that letter with the corresponding letter of the key text using this table:



(The key is repeated to match the size of actual text)

To elaborate the encryption algorithm let's use an example: Actual Text: "Hi this is a text." Key: "KEY"

So the 'H' converts to 'R' because the intersection of 'H' and 'K' in the table is 'R' and so on.

After simplifying the table it is obvious that ith letter of encrypted text is evaluated from this formula:

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E_i = (P_i + K_i) \mod 26
```

Code:

```
char encryptCharacterByKey(char textChar, char keyChar) {
   return (textChar + keyChar - (2 * 'A')) % 26 + 'A';
}
```

And respectively the decryption formula would be:

```
D_i = (E_i - K_i + 26) \mod 26
```

Code:

```
char decryptCharacterByKey(char textChar, char keyChar) {
   return (textChar - keyChar + 26) % 26 + 'A';
}
```

Attack Algorithm

For the attack algorithm I basically tried all possible combinations using backtrack and tried all possible keys from length 1 to 5.