

1 Problem statement

Create a program than can encrypt text using the Hill cipher, given an encryption key with $m = 2$, and which can then compute the decryption key and decrypt the cyphertext.

2 Algorithms

2.1 Modular inverse

Brute force algorithm

Require: $\gcd(a, n) = 1$

Ensure: $b \cdot a \equiv 1 \pmod n$

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procedure MOD_INVERSE(a,n)
  for i=1,n do
    if  $a \cdot i \equiv 1 \pmod n$  then
      mod_inverse  $\leftarrow$  i
    end if
  end for
end procedure

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▷ Complexity: $\theta(2^n)$

2.2 Inversion of 2x2 matrix

Cramer's rule

Require: $\gcd(\det(A), n) = 1$

Ensure: $BA = AB = I \pmod n$

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procedure INVERT_MATRIX(A,n)
  invert_matrix  $\leftarrow$  mod_inverse( $a * d - b * c$ )  $\begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$ 
end procedure

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▷ Complexity: $\theta(m!)$

2.3 Encryption

Require: $\gcd(\det(K), n) = 1$

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procedure ENCRYPT(K,x,n)
  invert_matrix  $\leftarrow$   $xK$ 
end procedure

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▷ Complexity: $\theta(m^3)$

2.4 Decryption

Require: $\gcd(\det(K'), n) = 1$

procedure DECRYPT(K', y, n)

 invert_matrix $\leftarrow yK'$

end procedure

▷ Complexity: $\theta(m^3)$

3 Test data

Using the 27 letter alphabet and the key 1,23,10,13, if we encrypt the word LABORATORY we get VSQYAVHGYJ