

Quiz1

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1. Please write a program to find out the frequencies of letters in the ciphertext down below.

Answer: 在 311552022.cpp 檔裡面

2. Use these plaintext frequency count information as a reference to break this encrypted messages.

Answer:

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ANALYZING AND EXPLORE
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3. Assume C is Ciphertext, P is Plaintext. Can you find out a particular relationship in between C and P?

Answer:

Cipher	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Plaintext	L	U	D	M	V	E	N	W	F	O	X	G	P
	11	20	3	12	21	4	13	22	5	14	23	6	15

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Y	H	Q	Z	I	R	A	J	S	B	K	T	C
24	7	16	25	8	17	0	9	18	1	10	19	2

4. Suppose $f(x) = ax + b \pmod{26}$ where x is plaintext, please solve the value of a and b .

Answer: $a = 3, b = 19$

5. What is the key size of the mono alphabetic substitution cipher? Such size make exhaustive search becomes difficult?

Answer: 26!

6. (Bonus) What is the key space in this affine substitution cipher we solved $f(x) = ax + b$?

Answer: $12 \times 26 = 312$

Ciphertext:

T ZJDMBYFS VZRFGYRVY DBVY JIYFG
FKMFSRFGZF T IFFARGL JI GJY
ITS SFDJEFC ISJD TATSD JG
TGTANQRGL TGC FKMAJSF
YOF IAJJC JI TCETGZFC XGJHAFCLF HORZO
FTZO NFTS WSRGLV HRYO RY

Ciphertext's letter frequency count:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
6	2	6	5	2	19	12	0	7	12	2	4	3	2	5	0	1	9	9	12	0	4	1	1	9	6

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