

#### 4- Hill cipher:

Hill cipher is a multiletter cipher . The encryption algorithm takes  $m$  successive plaintext letters and substitutes for them  $m$  ciphertext letters. The substitution is determined by  $m$  linear equations in which each character is assigned a numerical value (a = 0, b = 1 ... z = 25). For  $m = 3$ , the system can be described as follows:

$$c_1 = (k_{11}p_1 + k_{12}p_2 + k_{13}p_3) \text{ mod } 26$$

$$c_2 = (k_{21}p_1 + k_{22}p_2 + k_{23}p_3) \text{ mod } 26$$

$$c_3 = (k_{31}p_1 + k_{32}p_2 + k_{33}p_3) \text{ mod } 26$$

This can be expressed in term of column vectors and matrices:

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k_{11} & k_{12} & k_{13} \\ k_{21} & k_{22} & k_{23} \\ k_{31} & k_{32} & k_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ mod } 26$$

Or

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{KP} \text{ mod } 26$$

C is cipher letter (3x1)

K is key (3x3).

P is plaintext letter (3x1).

In general terms, the Hill system can be expressed as follows:

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{P}) = \mathbf{KP} \text{ mod } 26$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{P}) = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{C} \text{ mod } 26 = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{KP} = \mathbf{P}$$

**Ex:** plaintext = paymoremoney

and use the encryption key is

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} 17 & 17 & 5 \\ 21 & 18 & 21 \\ 2 & 2 & 19 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the ciphertext?

Sol:

pay mor emoney

first three letters p=15 , a=0 , y=24

this can be represented in vector as :

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 0 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then;

$$C = \mathbf{K} P \text{ mod } 26 = \begin{pmatrix} 17 & 17 & 5 \\ 21 & 18 & 21 \\ 2 & 2 & 19 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 0 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix} \text{ mod } 26$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 375 \\ 819 \\ 486 \end{pmatrix} \text{ mod } 26 = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 13 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix}$$

11 = L , 13 = N , 18 = S

So , pay  LNS .continuing in this fashion,

The ciphertext for the entire plaintext is LNSHDLEWMTRW.

**Ex :**

Decrypt the above ciphertext ?

**Sol.**

Decryption requires using the inverse of the matrix **K**. The inverse **K**

of a matrix  $\mathbf{K}$  is defined by the equation  $\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{I}$ ,

$$\mathbf{K}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 9 & 15 \\ 15 & 17 & 6 \\ 24 & 0 & 17 \end{pmatrix}$$

This is demonstrated as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 17 & 17 & 5 \\ 21 & 18 & 21 \\ 2 & 2 & 19 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 9 & 15 \\ 15 & 17 & 6 \\ 24 & 0 & 17 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 443 & 442 & 442 \\ 858 & 495 & 780 \\ 494 & 52 & 365 \end{pmatrix} \text{mod } 26 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = D(\mathbf{K}, C) = \mathbf{K}^{-1} \cdot C \text{ mod } 26$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} P1 \\ P2 \\ P3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 9 & 15 \\ 15 & 17 & 6 \\ 24 & 0 & 17 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 13 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ mod } 26 = \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 0 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} p \\ a \\ y \end{matrix}$$

**H.W**

The plaintext "friday" is encrypted using a 2 x 2 Hill cipher to yield the ciphertext PQCFKU, find the encrypted key?

**Note:** to find additive inverse modulo n of an integer we use the table below ,as example modulo 5

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4	0
2	2	3	4	0	1
3	3	4	0	1	2
4	4	0	1	2	3

The negative of integer x is the integer y ,such that

$$(x + y) \bmod n = 0$$

$$(x+y) \bmod 5=0$$

If  $x=2 \implies y=3$  because  $(2+3)\bmod 5=0$

If  $x=4 \implies y=1$  because  $(4+1) \bmod 5=0$

While the multiplicative inverse of an integer x is y such that

$$(x * y) \bmod n=1$$

Example of modulo 5 multiplicative invers of an integer x is

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4
2	0	2	4	1	3
3	0	3	1	4	2
4	0	4	3	2	1

$$(x*y) \bmod 5 = 1$$

If  $x= 2 \implies y=3$  because  $(2*3) \bmod 5=1$

If  $x= 4 \implies y=4$  because  $(4*4) \bmod 5=1$

**Example :**

Find  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 8 \\ 17 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  for modulo 26 ?

**solution :**

