

## Math 495R Homework 10

In this lab you will write a program to crack the Vigenère Cipher that you programmed in Lab 8. For background, read the material available in Learning Suite on the Content page. You will need the programs you wrote in the previous 2 labs.

- (1) Write a function that takes a string  $S$  and an integer  $K$ , and returns an array of  $K$  strings  $S_0, S_1, \dots, S_{K-1}$  where  $S_i$  contains the letters of  $S$  at positions  $j \equiv i \pmod{K}$  (So  $S_1$  contains the letter at positions  $1, K + 1, 2K + 1$ , etc).
- (2) Write a function that takes a string  $S$  of capital letters, and returns an array of length 26 whose entries count the number of occurrences of each letter in the string (so the first entry is the number of As, the second is the number of Bs, etc.)
- (3) Write a function that takes a Vigenère cipher text and returns the most likely key and the translated message using that key. Test your function on the cipher text on the next page. Additional cipher texts can be found at <https://math.byu.edu/~doud/Vigenere/>.

The process for cracking the Vigenère cipher is as follows.

- The most likely key length  $K$  is the distance with the most coincidences in the cipher text. (See Lab 9 problem 1 and Sections 2.3.1-2 in the background material.) Calculate this value using the function built in problem 1 of lab 9.
- Use the function from problem 1 of this lab to split the text into strings  $S_0, S_1, \dots, S_K$ . Assuming  $K$  is the key length, the letters of each one of these strings should have been encrypted using the same letter from the key.
- For each  $0 \leq i \leq K$ , use the function from problem 2 of this lab to calculate the vector  $W_i$  which contains the occurrences of each letter in the string  $S_i$ .
- Use the function built in problem 3 of Lab 9 to find the value  $k_i$  which gives the maximum dot-product  $W_i \cdot A_{k_i}$ , where the  $A_j$  are the arrays used in that problem. The table for  $A$  gives the frequencies of each letter in standard written English. The most likely  $i$ -th letter of the key is the letter corresponding to  $k_i$  (See Section 2.3.3 in the background material). For instance, if  $W_3 \cdot A_j$  achieves its maximum at  $j = 0$ , then the third letter of the key is most likely  $A$ .
- Once the most likely key is determined, the original text should be decrypted using this key and the function written in Lab 8.

Cipher text:

XUKBVQIGXIIIPYKZSSVFUQGAMYRJRGSA BMAMIAZBBWTRGSBJLVSENWIKVWHRHVTONVIPUVQMXRSIG  
XIEZWHWLVYOEICREMFWLBTMNRHGCCQAOPRJIAHLVYCFYEURGCEPRLIPIANYNYWUKLNRHNTQZEXRJB  
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DRVGNAOUXXUKJHFFYKAGLEGLTNWLRJIAHTNYARHMAUCEKPNYARWSHXKUEMEYJRMRTNQFTEGKVGWIZ  
HZNGIQGVQGEKAFIHYZNXLXBUERFAJZMXGKLGFSFRYIGYTBTIAHXUKZRAEFZPNXPHEMESHYISXI  
EJQARIEGBZSWCNMEIAUKVGLSHMPGVSNSATVEPKNHPLLRZISSZPRXVNSURPWBLEIGVYQBREAJPRT  
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 WZIXEENBVMAYBNRGRZPRCXNAOUXCBAIGWGUUWYMWWSUCAHIQUVNQMF IWAGICZQBRMFTWGXLNZZNXLRL  
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