

1. Encode the following text using the substitution key described in page 1 of the RSA lecture notes.

THIS IS A VERY SECRET MESSAGE

2. If a simple substitution encoding (letter is encoded to a letter) is used (with an unknown key) and you are able to catch a secret message OXA0, then explain why you can be confident that the plaintext is not (a) CAR or (b) JOHN.

3. Solve the following code. We know that the text is English and the blanks between the words are in their correct spots. Simple substitution is used.

A U H C    M V K F C    V    B Y Z U G C    V  
 I Z M C    C J    G U M B Z Y A Z D    U K U V M.  
 V C    H Z Z G Z B    C J    G Z    V    H C J J B  
 P D    C F Z    V Y J M    K U C Z    A Z U B V M K  
 C J    C F Z    B Y V W Z    U M B    O J Y    U  
 I F V A Z    V    T J N A B    M J C    Z M C Z Y  
 O J Y    C F Z    I U D    I U H    P U Y Y Z B  
 C J    G Z.

**Hint:** The three most frequently occurring letters in the above text agree with the graph in Figure 1 of lecture notes. Replace these in the text first.

4. We know that the number  $n = 982\,340\,323$  is a product of two primes  $p$  and  $q$ . What these primes are? How did you found them?

5. RSA encryption. Suppose that  $p = 109$  and  $q = 131$  are two primes.

- (a) Compute  $n$  and  $\phi$ .
- (b) Select a suitable public encryption key  $e$ .
- (c) Encrypt the message  $M = 9876$

6. RSA decryption.

- (a) Compute the decryption key  $d$  corresponding your encryption key  $e$  of Exercise 5.
- (b) Decrypt your segret message obtained in 5(c). Did you manage to get the original message?