

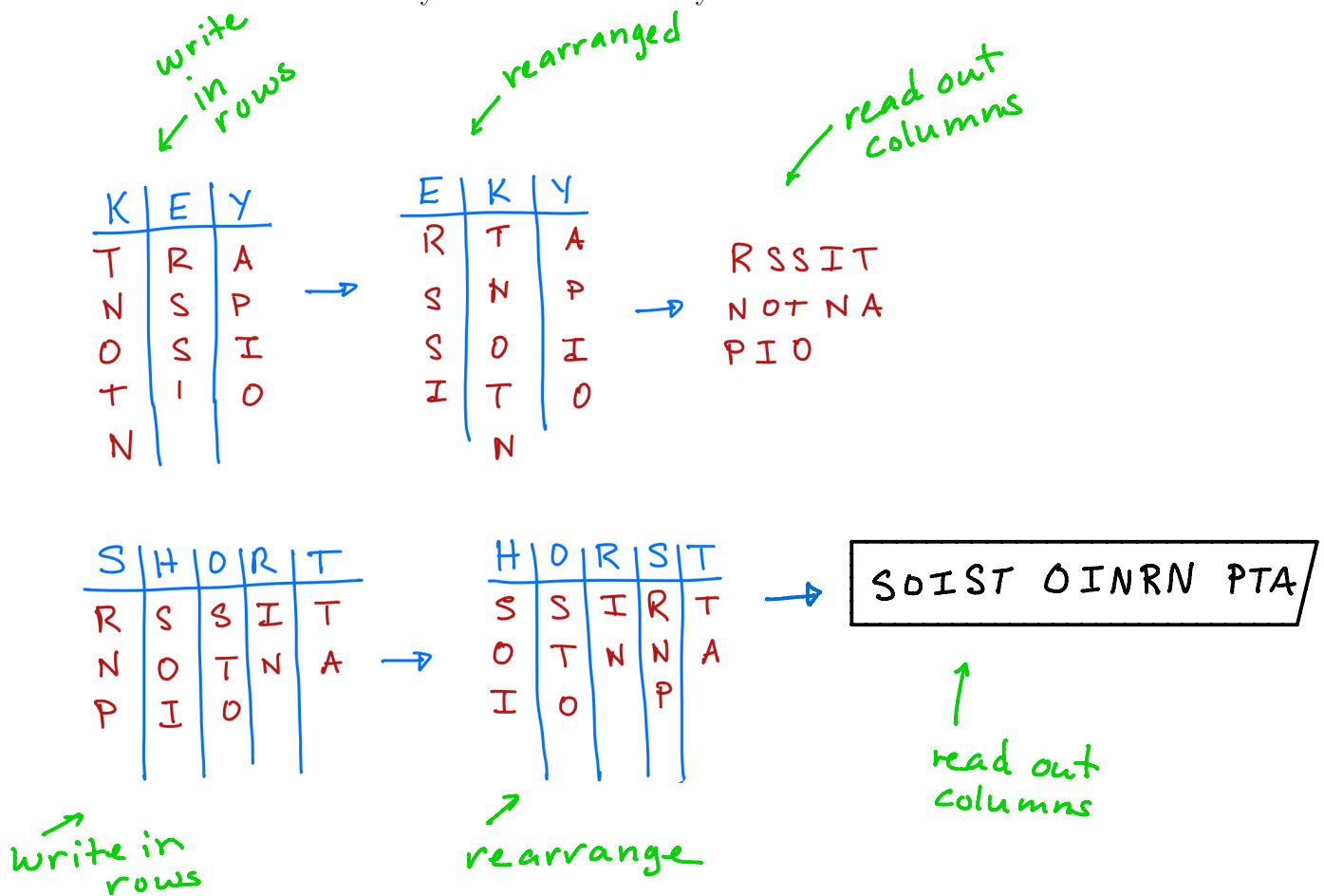
1. **Double Transposition Cipher:** Use two keywords to do a tabular transposition cipher twice.

Encryption Steps

- i. Write the plaintext in **rows** using Keyword 1.
- ii. Rewrite columns with Keyword 1 in alphabetical order.
- iii. Read off the **columns** to form the new "plaintext".
- iv. Repeat this process with Keyword 2.

2. **Example:** Encrypt the word **TRANSPPOSITION** using double transposition with

Keyword 1: KEY and Keyword 2: SHORT.



3. How is this different from the tabular transposition with keyword encryption method we used earlier?

No extra padding.

4. Decryption:

- i. Make four grid headers: Keyword 2 (alphabetical order), Keyword 2 (natural order), Keyword 1 (alphabetical order), Keyword 1 (natural order).
- ii. Count the number of characters in the ciphertext and determine grid dimensions.
- iii. Starting with Keyword 2 (alphabetical) grid, fill columns.
- iv. Copy columns into the grid for Keyword 2 (natural order).
- v. Read off the rows to find new ciphertext.
- vi. Repeat (iii) with Keyword 1 (alphabetical).

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5. Decrypt the ciphertext from problem 2. (We know it should decrypt as TRANSPOSITION!)

* pretend like we don't know the answer.

H	O	R	S	T
S	S	I	R	T
O	T	N	N	A
I	O		P	

extra

S	H	O	R	T
R	S	S	I	T
N	O	T	N	A
P	I	O		

extra

out rows
in columns

RSSIT
NOTNA
PIO

E	K	Y
R	T	A
S	N	P
S	O	I
I	T	O
N		

K	E	Y
T	R	A
N	S	P
O	S	I
T	I	O
N		

extra

grid calculation:

letters in cipher text = 13
letters in KEY = 3
letters in SHORT = 5

"KEY" grid: $\frac{13}{3} = 4 R 1$ (4 rows w/ 1 extra)

"SHORT" grid: $\frac{13}{5} = 2 R 3$ (2 rows w/ 3 extra)

6. Decrypt the ciphertext E T E T S P I H X C R assuming it was encrypted using the scheme above.

grid calculation

letters in cipher text : 11
letters in SHORT : 5
letters in KEY : 3

"KEY" grid: $\frac{11}{3} = 3 R 2$

"SHORT" grid: $\frac{11}{5} = 2 R 1$

H	O	R	S	T
E	E	S	I	C
T	T	P	H	R
			X	

S	H	O	R	T
I	E	E	S	C
H	T	T	P	R
X				

out of rows

IEESC
HTTPR
X

into cols

E	K	Y
I	C	P
E	H	R
E	T	X
S	T	

K	E	Y
C	I	P
H	E	R
T	E	X
T	S	

out by rows

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into cols.