

HW 5

Due: Friday, October 18

§3.13/39, 41; §6.6/2, 5, 6, 8, 9

3.13.39 For the first one, the determinant is $1 - 6 = -5$. The inverse of -5 is 5 (as $-5 \cdot 5 = -25 \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$). Thus the inverse is

$$5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -6 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -5 \\ -30 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 21 \\ 22 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \pmod{26}.$$

For the second one, we need the determinant $1 - b$ to be invertible. In other words, we need $2 \nmid (1 - b)$ and $13 \nmid (1 - b)$. The first condition is equivalent to b being even, and the second means $b \neq 14$. Thus b can be any even number with $b \not\equiv 14 \pmod{16}$.

6.6.5 We have $b = 1$, $a = 0$, $z = 25$, $H = 7$, $C = 2$, $G = 6$, $T = 19$. Thus we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 25 & 25 \end{bmatrix} M = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 6 & 19 \end{bmatrix}$$

The inverse of the first matrix above is actually itself! Thus

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 25 & 25 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 6 & 19 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 13 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

6.6.9 The easiest choice is "AA", "BA", "AB", which yields the vectors $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, $(0, 1)$. When we plug these in, we get

$$(e, f), (a + e, b + f), (c + e, d + f),$$

respectively. Thus $(0, 0)$ reveals e and f . We then subtract (e, f) from the last two ciphertexts to obtain a, b, c, d .