

C8-R4: INFORMATION SECURITY

NOTE:

1. Answer question 1 and any FOUR from questions 2 to 7.
2. Parts of the same question should be answered together and in the same sequence.

Time: 3 Hours

Total Marks: 100

1.

- a) List different attack models. Name some active and passive attacks.
- b) How a hash function can be used to provide message authentication without using a key?
- c) Differentiate between Direct Digital Signature and Arbitrated Digital Signature.
- d) Explain the factorization and discrete logarithm problems. Explain how those are used in cryptography?
- e) Explain Meet-in-the-middle attack in Data Encryption Standard (DES).
- f) Explain Next bit test and its use in Information Security.
- g) Compute Euler's Totient function, $\phi(29791)$.

(7x4)

2.

- a) Describe various Classical Encryption Techniques & also draw the simplified model of Conventional Encryption.
- b) Explain how Pseudo Random Number Generator works?
- c) Define linear congruence. What algorithm can be used to solve an equation of type $ax \equiv b \pmod{n}$? How can a set of linear equations be solved?

(8+5+5)

3.

- a) State the difference between S-DES and DES. Explain S-DES in detail.
- b) What is Diffie-Hellman key exchange algorithm? How does man-in-the-middle attack break the security of it? How this attack can be prevented?

(10+8)

4.

- a) List and briefly define types of cryptanalytic attacks. How these are different from attacks on digital signatures.
- b) Using the Euclidean algorithm, find the greatest common divisor of the following:
 - i) 24 and 320
 - ii) 401 and 700
- c) What is difference between block cipher and stream cipher?

(6+6+6)

5.

- a) Discuss various encryption algorithm modes for block ciphers.
- b) What is Fast Exponentiation? Which cryptography algorithm requires fast exponentiation? Write steps of one fast exponentiation algorithm.

(9+9)

6.

a) Use Hill Cipher to decrypt the message:

"IUVAFSLDNNLDWMCOTKGMCHZ" using key $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

b) List the main features of SHA-512 Cryptographic Hash Functions? Explain what are the applications of SHA-512?

(10+8)

7. **Write short notes on the following:**

a) Chinese Remainder theorem.

b) Principle and operation of RSA.

c) Finite Field Arithmetic.

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