



IT 8-2 (RC)

B.E. IT (Semester – VIII) Examination, May/June 2012
COMPUTER CRYPTOGRAPHY AND NETWORK SECURITY

Duration : 3 Hours

Total Marks : 100

Instructions : 1) Answer **five** questions in all selecting atleast **one** question from each Module.

2) Assume **missing** data if any.

Module – I



1. a) Elaborate on any 8, X 800 security services. 8
b) With examples, describe the following multi-letter ciphers. 8
 - i) Playfair
 - ii) Hill Cipher.
- c) Compare and differentiate nature audit records and detection specific audit records. 4
2. a) Briefly explain the Rule Based Intrusion detection techniques. 6
b) Describe some of the issues in the design of a distributed Intrusion detection system. With an example, explain the architecture of a distributed IDS. 8
c) Define a virus. Describe the various phases in the lifetime of a virus. 6

Module – II

3. a) Elaborate on some of the design features of the Feistel Cipher structure. 6
b) State the advantages of the counter block cipher mode of operation. 4
c) Compare Link to link and end to end encryption placement techniques. 8
d) State Fermats and Eulers theorem. 2
4. a) Provide a brief overview of discrete logarithms in public key algorithms. 6
b) What is a product cipher ? Clearly explain the concept of diffusion and confusion in cryptographic systems. 6
c) For a user workstation in a typical business environment, list potential locations for confidentiality attacks. 6
d) What do you mean by Avalanche effect ? Does DES exhibit it ? 2

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Module – III

5. a) Explain the RSA algorithm. Considering the 2 prime numbers to be 11 and 3, determine the private public key pair. 8
- b) Explain the public key authority and public key certificates techniques for distribution of public keys. 8
- c) What is a primitive root ? How is it calculated ? Is 2 a primitive root of 11. Justify your answer. 4
6. a) Elaborate on any 2 approaches to producing message authentication. 8
- b) Users A and B use the Diffie Helman key exchange technique with a common prime $q = 71$ and a primitive root $\alpha = 7$. 10
 - i) If user A has private key $X_A = 5$, what is A's public key Y_A ?
 - ii) If user B has private key $X_B = 12$, what is B's public key Y_B ?
 - iii) What is the shared secret key ?
- c) Define a Oneway Hash function. Where is it used ? 2

Module – IV

7. a) Elaborate on Kerberos as an authentication service. 8
- b) With a diagram, explain the X.509 authentication service. 6
- c) Write a short note on S/MIME. 6
8. a) Describe any 2 services provided by PGP. 8
- b) Briefly describe the sequence of events that are required for a secure electronic transaction to purchase an item online. 6
- c) Discuss the applications and limitations of firewalls. 6