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B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2015

Eighth Semester

Branch: Electronics and Communication Engineering
EC 010 804 L 03—SECURE COMMUNICATION [Elective—III] (EC)

(New Scheme-2010 Admission Onwards)

[Regular/Supplementary]

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

Part A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 3 marks.

- 1. Evaluate $(4 \times 3 1)/2$ with respect to the finite field GF(5) = $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$.
- 2. Bring out the consequences of using a one-time pad in 'depth' (use an example).
- 3. Explain the double transposition cipher with the help of an example.
- 4. What information must a public key certificate contain?
- 5. Why is it a good idea to hash passwords that are to be stored in a file? What is a 'salt' and why should 'salt' be used whenever passwords are hashed?

 $(5 \times 3 = 15 \text{ marks})$

Part B

Answer all questions.
Each question carries 5 marks.

- 6. Define a field. What is a Galois field? Let a, b and c be any three elements in a field. Then prove that for $a \neq 0$, a.b = a.c implies that b = c.
- 7. Define the terms Confidentiality, Integrity and Availability.
- 8. Differentiate between differential and linear crypt analysis.
- 9. Distinguish between public key and private key cryptography.
- 10. Give short notes on Honey pot.

 $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$





Answer all questions. Each question carries 12 marks.

- 11. Let $p(x) = 1 + x + x^4$ is a primitive polynomial over GF(2). Then construct the extended field GF(2⁴). If α is one of the roots of the given primitive polynomial within the field GF(2⁴), evaluate the following:
 - (a) α^{12} / α^5 .
 - (b) $1 + \alpha^5 + \alpha^{10}$

Or

- 12. What is a primitive polynomial? Determine whether the polynomial $p(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 1$ over GF(2) is primitive.
- 13. With suitable example clearly explain Hill cipher.

Or

- 14. Describe how a Playfair cipher differs from a simple substitution cipher with the help of an example. What are its major advantages?
- 15. Discuss the shift row and mix column transformation techniques in Advanced Encryption Standard.

Or

- 16. Discuss about DES encryption.
- 17. Why is it a bad idea to use the same RSA key pair for both signing and encryption?

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- 18. Discuss about the Public Key Infrastructure (PKI).
- 19. Explain rule based and anomaly based intrusion detection systems.

Or

20. Discuss about Intrusion Detection System and compare it with firewall.

 $(5 \times 12 = 60 \text{ marks})$