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- Instruction/Notes:
1. You may use rough sheets but you should not attach them to the question paper. All the work that you want to be graded needs to be on the question paper itself.
 2. Points for each question are roughly related to the time that needs to be spent on that question. Avoid spending excessive time on questions with less points and less time on questions with more points.

MCQs – 1 point each

Q1. _____ techniques map plaintext elements (characters, bits) into ciphertext elements.

- X
- A) Transposition
 - B) Substitution
 - ☒ C) Traditional
 - D) Symmetric

Q2. Joseph Mauborgne proposed a cipher that uses a random key that is as long as the message so that the key does not need to be repeated. The key is used to encrypt and decrypt a single message and then is discarded. Each new message requires a new key of the same length as the new message. This scheme is known as a(n) one-time pad

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- A) pascaline
 - ☒ B) one-time pad
 - C) polycipher
 - D) enigma

Q3. A way to improve on the simple monoalphabetic technique is to use different monoalphabetic substitutions as one proceeds through the plaintext message. The general name for this approach is _____.

- ✓
- A) rail fence cipher
 - B) cryptanalysis
 - ☒ C) polyalphabetic substitution cipher
 - D) polyanalysis cipher

Q4. Asymmetric encryption can be used for A.

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- ☒ A) both confidentiality and authentication
 - B) neither confidentiality, nor authentication
 - C) Confidentiality
 - D) Authentication

Q5. Two issues to consider with the computation required to use RSA are encryption/decryption and _____.

- X
- A) time complexity
 - ☒ B) trap-door one-way functions
 - C) key generation
 - D) asymmetric encryption padding

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Q6. _____ depend on how long it takes to execute the decryption algorithm.

- A) Mathematical attacks
- ☒ B) Timing attacks
- C) Chosen ciphertext attacks
- D) Brute-force attacks

Q7. In the general structure of the AES encryption process the input to the encryption and decryption algorithms is a single _____ block.

- A) 32-bit
- B) 256-bit
- ☒ C) 128-bit
- D) 64-bit

Q8. The AES cipher consists of N rounds, where the number of rounds depends on the _____.

- A) key length
- B) output matrix
- ☒ C) State
- D) number of columns

Q9. A technique referred to as a _____ is a mapping achieved by performing some sort of permutation on the plaintext letters.

- A) transposition cipher
- ☒ B) polyalphabetic cipher
- C) Caesar cipher
- D) monoalphabetic cipher

Q10. The methods of _____ conceal the existence of the message in a graphic image.

- ☒ A) steganography
- B) decryptology
- C) cryptology
- D) cryptography

Q1. Use the Vigenere cipher to encrypt the word "explanation" with the key "leg". For substitution, use the values $a=0, b=1, c=2, \dots, z=25$. Show the working. (3 Points)

e	x	p	l	a	n	a	t	i	o	n
4	23	15	11	0	13	0	19	8	14	13
l	e	g	l	e	g	l	e	g	l	e
11	4	6	11	4	6	11	4	6	11	4

$a=0$
 $b=1$
 $c=2$
 $d=3$
 $e=4$
 $f=5$
 $g=6$
 $h=7$
 $i=8$
 $j=9$
 $k=10$
 $l=11$
 $m=12$
 $n=13$
 $o=14$
 $p=15$
 $q=16$
 $r=17$
 $s=18$
 $t=19$
 $u=20$
 $v=21$
 $w=22$
 $x=23$
 $y=24$
 $z=25$

encrypted/ciphered number: 15 1 21 22 4 19 11 23 14 25 17

ciphered text: P b v w e t l x o z r

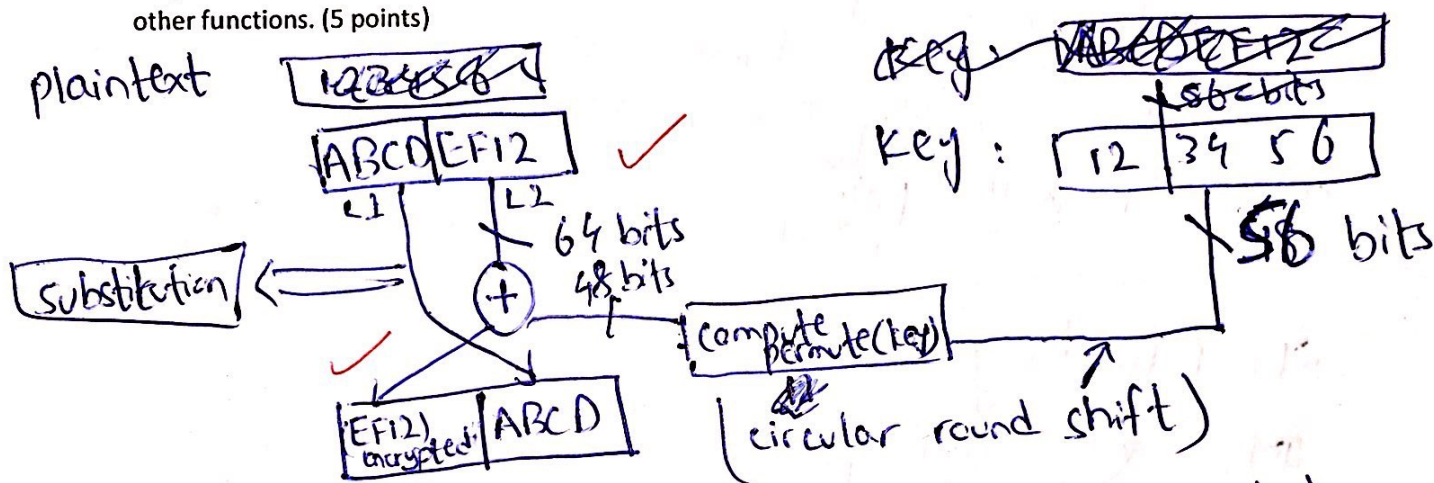
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Q2. Define the avalanche effect. (2 Points)

Avalanche effect is the amount of difference in the ciphered/encrypted key by making a small change in the plaintext. eg changing 1 bit, changing 1 character randomly, changing all elements etc.

Q3. Suppose that we have a Feistel Cipher where everything is the same except that there is only one encryption round (instead of 16). The hexadecimal key that is being used in the encryption round is 123456. Suppose that the hexadecimal input string for this round is ABCDEF12. Draw a comprehensive diagram which shows the complete working of encryption and decryption along with the inputs and outputs. You do not need to compute the bitwise operations. Similarly, abstract from the details of other functions. (5 points)



L2 & L1 are substituted at round. And permutation of key is calculated. Input key is 64 bits. After permutation and circular round shift key is cut off to 48 bits.

Swap?
 (+)?
 decryption?

Q4. How does AES not have a Feistel structure? (1 point)

AES doesn't divide bits into partitions i.e. like L1, L2 in Feistel Cipher. Moreover, Thus, operations in every round are considered

for entire plaintext nor for a partition of it.

Q5. Briefly describe the 4 different stages of AES. (1+1+1+1=4 points)

- 1) Substitute bytes
→ each value in the matrix is substituted with a permutation value from a box containing every possible value for the plaintext.
- 2) Shift-rows
→ rows are ~~substituted~~ shifted. with first row with zero shift, row 2 with 1 shift to left, n rows shifting
- 3) Column-mixed
→ each column value is mapped to a function of that column.
- 4) XOR with key:
→ XOR of plaintext with key.

Q6. What are the 5 requirements to make a public-key crypto system a secure algorithm? (5 points)

~~1) Blinding~~

~~2) Time delaying~~

~~3) Adding a value to a key to get rid of matching ciphered text~~

1) Private keys should ~~not~~ be shared/kept hidden.

2) Only public/private can encrypted/decrypted ~~key~~ ~~plaintext~~ ~~key~~

3) Public keys are accessible by anyone

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- 4) Algorithm while decrypting and encrypting is not exactly same.
- 5) This key is shared through a secured channel.

Q7. 8839 and 8849 are two prime numbers. Their product is 78216311. Find all the factors of 78216311. (1 points).

$$78216311 : 8839, 8849, 11, 311, 6311$$

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Q8. Briefly describe the three major ways you can deter a timing attack on RSA. (3 points)

- 1) Blinding
 Don't ~~show~~ take/show too much time to encrypt text. show response of done while working on encrypting it
- 2) Time delaying
 Add more time while decrypting
- X 3) Adding a value to (key / encrypted)

Q9. $23^{23} \bmod 23 = 0$. Prove it using calculations. (1 point)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{key } 23^{23} \bmod 23 = 0 \\
 & = 23^{23} \div 23 \\
 & = \left(23 \times 23 \times 23 \times 23 \times 23 \dots (23 \text{ times}) \div 23 \right) \\
 & \quad \left(23 \div 23 \times 23 \div 23 \times 23 \div 23 \dots (23 \text{ times}) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & = (0 + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0) \\
 & = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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Q10. What are the differences and similarities in conventional and public-key encryption? (5 points)

conventional

- 1) Algorithms for encryption and decryption are ~~same~~ shared.
- 2) Doesn't consider identity of the sender
- 3) Only secures plaintext
- 4) Algorithms are well known and can be vulnerable using brute force, mathematical attacks
- 5) ☒ One algorithm ^{for} both encryption and decryption.

public key encryption

- 1) ~~Algorithm~~ Public keys are shared
- 2) Algorithm for encrypted and ☒ decrypting is not same / not an exact match or follow a pattern.
- 3) ☒ Takes account of identity
- 4) Secures both plaintext ~~key~~ and identities
- 5) Public keys or private can encrypt or decrypt plaintext / works both ways ☒

