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## Answer to the question 1

### Threat to RSA and ECC :-

#### 1) Shor's Algorithm purpose

- A quantum algorithm that can efficiently factor large integers and solve discrete logarithm problems.

#### → RSA vulnerability :-

- RSA security is based on the difficulty of factoring large integers.

- Shor's algorithm can factor this large numbers efficiently on powerful quantum computers → breaking RSA encryption.

#### → ECC vulnerability :-

- ECC security relies on the Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem (ECDLP)

- ~~Brute force~~
- Shor's algorithm can also solve ECDLP quickly → breaking Ecc based Schemes like ECDSA and ECDH.

### Potential consequences for Digital Infrastructure

- 1) Breakage of public key encryption.
- 2) Attackers could forge digital signatures, breaking authentication.
- 3) Threat to stored encryption data.
- 4) Impact on banking, E-commerce and government systems.
- 5) Loss of confidentiality.

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## Answer to the Question 2

- \* Rule of Quantum Key Distribution (and in future Cryptographic System).
- ① Generates encryption keys using quantum mechanism.
  - ② Offers unbreakable security against any computational power.
  - ③ Detects eavesdropping instantly.  
(WIFECATOR)
  - ④ Protect data from quantum computer attacks.
  - ⑤ Works well with one-time pad for perfect secrecy.
  - ⑥ Future proof solution for sensitive communication.

# \* Difference between QKD and classical public key encryption:-

QKD	Classical public key Encryption
① Law of quantum mechanics	① Mathematical problem (Factoring, discrete log)
② Resistant to quantum attack.	② Vulnerable to Shor's algorithm and other quantum attacks
③ Key exchanged via quantum channels.	③ Key exchanged via classical communication over public channels
④ Detection of eavesdropping possible	④ Detection of eavesdropping is not possible.
⑤ No computational assumption.	⑤ Relies on computational hardness assumptions.
⑥ Requires special quantum hardware and fiber optical links.	⑦ Works with existing internet infrastructure.
⑧ Currently slower and distance limited.	⑨ Fast and long distance capable.

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### Answer to the question 3

- \* Different between Lattice-Based cryptography and traditional number theoretic approaches (e.g RSA)

Lattice based cryptography	Traditional number theoretic approach.
① Based on hardness of lattice problems (e.g Short vector problem, Learning with errors)	① Based on factoring large integers RSA or Solving discrete Logarithms (ECC)
② Considered Secure against both classical and quantum attacks.	② Vulnerable to quantum algorithms like Shor's algorithm.
③ Works in high dimensional vector spaces.	③ works in modular arithmetic over integers on finite fields.
④ Large key compare to RSA / ECC.	④ Smaller key for the same Classical security.
⑤ Often faster key generation and encryption. Some schemes slower in decryption.	⑤ mature and well optimized for performance.

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| ⑥ Actively being standardized by NIST for post-quantum Cryptography. | ⑥ Already standardized and widely deployed.                     |
| ⑦ Expected to replace RSA/ ECC in a post-quantum era.                | ⑦ Likely to be phased out once quantum computers have practical |

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Answer to the question 5.

## Sieve of Eratosthenes Algorithm

The Sieve of Eratosthenes is an efficient method for finding all prime numbers up to a given limit  $n$ .

Steps:-

- ① Create a list of numbers from 2 to  $n$ .
- ② Start with the first prime  $p=2$
- ③ Eliminate all multiples of  $p$  greater than or equal to  $p^2$
- ④ Move to the next number that is still marked as prime.
- ⑤ Repeat until  $p^2 > n$
- ⑥ Remaining unmarked numbers are prime.

Example:- Find all primes less than 50.

- 1) Start with numbers 2 to 49, viz.

②  $P=2 \rightarrow$  Remove multiples of 2: 4, 6, 8

10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, ... 48

③  $P=3 \rightarrow$  Remove multiples of 3: 9, 12,

15, ... 48

④  $P=5 \rightarrow$  Remove multiples of 5: 25, 30,

35, 40, 45.

⑤  $P=7 \rightarrow$  Remove multiples of 7: 49

⑥ Remaining numbers are:

prime  $< 50$

$\rightarrow 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37,$   
 $41, 43, 47.$

### Time Complexity Comparison:-

method	Time complexity	practicality
Sieve of Eratosthenes	$O(n \log \log n)$	very efficient for generating many primes at once.
Trial Division	$O(n \sqrt{n})$ for all numbers.	slower, checks each number individually for primality.

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## Answers to the Question 6:

Korselt's Criterion (Necessary and Sufficient Condition :-

A Composite integer  $n$  is a Carmichael number if all three hold:-

- 1)  $n$  is composite number.
- 2)  $n$  is square-free (no prime square divides  $n$ )
- 3) For every prime  $p$  dividing  $n$   $(p-1)|(n-1)$ .

(use this criterion to test numbers; it is equivalent to the Carmichael definition

$$a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \text{ for all } a, \text{ coprime to } n.$$

Test 1:  $n = 561$

1) Factorization:  $561 = 3 \times 11 \times 17$   
composite.

2) Square-free? yes (primes are distinct)

3)  $n-1 = 560$ . Check,  $(p-1)/(n-1)$  for each prime divisor.

- For  $p=3$ ;  $p-1=2$ ,  $560/2 = 28 \rightarrow$  divides.
- For  $p=11$ ;  $p-1=10$ ,  $560/10 = 56 \rightarrow$  divides.
- For  $p=17$ ;  $p-1=16$ ,  $560/16 = 35 \rightarrow$  divides.

All conditions satisfied. 561 is a Carmichael number.

Test-2.

Test-2;  $n=1105$

1) Factorization:  $1105 = 5 \times 13 \times 17 \rightarrow$  composite.

2) Square free.

3)  $n-1 = 1104$ . Check divisibility!

•  $P=5$ ;  $P-1=4$ ;  $1104/4=276 \rightarrow$  divides.

•  $P=13$ ;  $P-1=12$ ;  $1104/12=92 \rightarrow$  divides.

•  $P=17$ ;  $P-1=16$ ;  $1104/16=69 \rightarrow$  divides.

All conditions Satisfied  $\rightarrow 1103$  is a Carmichael number.

Test-3,  $n=1729$

1) Factorization;  $1729 = 7 \times 13 \times 19 \rightarrow$  composite.

2) Square free.

3)  $n-1 = 1729-1 = 1728$ . Check divisibility.

•  $P=7$ ,  $P-1=6$ ;  $1728/6=288 \rightarrow$  divides.

•  $P=13$ ,  $P-1=12$ ;  $1728/12=144 \rightarrow$  divides.

•  $P=19$ ,  $P-1=18$ ;  $1728/18=96 \rightarrow$  divides.

All conditions Satisfied  $\rightarrow 1729$  is a

Carmichael number.

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## Answers to the question 7

1) Is  $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}, +, \times)$  a ring?

→ Yes, in fact it is a commutative ring with unity, and moreover a field because 11 is prime.

→ Justify (brief);-

• Addition:-  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}$  is closed under +, associative has identity 0, every element  $a$  has additive inverse  $11-a$  and addition is commutative  $\Rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}_{11}, +)$  is an abelian group.

• Multiplication:-  $\times$  is closed, associative and commutative, multiplicative identity  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}$  exists.

Distributivity:- multiplication distributes

Over addition.

- Field Property :- Because 11 is prime, every non zero element has a multiplicative inverse mod 11. Hence a field  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{11}$  in particular ring.

So,  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}$  satisfy all ring axioms (indeed stronger than field).

- 2) Is  $(\mathbb{Z}_{37}, +)$  an Abelian group?

Reason

- Closure Under  $+$  (mod 37)
- Associativity holds (integer addition).
- Identity 0 exists.
- Every  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{37}$  has additive inverse  $37 - a$ .
- Commutative :  $a+b = b+a$ .

Hence  $(\mathbb{Z}_{37}, +)$  is an abelian (cyclic) group of order 37.

3) Is  $(\mathbb{Z}_{35}, \times)$  an Abelian group?

→ No,

→ Counterarguments,

- Although multiplication mod 35 is closed, associative and commutative and has identity 1, not every element has a multiplicative inverse,

- Example,  $7 \in \mathbb{Z}_{35}$ . Is 7 had an inverse  $x$  then,  $7x \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$ . But  $\gcd(7, 35) = 7 \neq 1, 35$ , no solution exist. Also 0 has no invers.

Therefore the inverse axiom fails and  $(\mathbb{Z}_{35}, \times)$  is not a group.

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(The subset of unit  $\mathbb{Z}_{35}^{\times} = \{ a : \gcd(a, 35) = 1 \}$

would be a group, but the whole  $\mathbb{Z}_{35}$   
Under  $\times$  is not.

### Answer to the question 8

we will find  $-52 \bmod 31$ .

1) First divide  $-52$  by  $31$

$-52 \div 31$  gives quotient  $-2$  (since  $-2$

Since,  $-2 \times 31 = -62$

2) Now find the remainder:-

$$-52 - (-62) =$$

$$= -52 + 62$$

$$= 10$$

Answer is 10.

Answer the question 9

We will use Extended Euclidean Algorithm to find the inverse of

$$7 \pmod{26}$$

We need  $x$  such that

$$7x \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$

Step-1 : Apply Euclidean Algorithm

$$26 = 3 \times 7 + 5$$

$$7 = 1 \times 5 + 2$$

$$5 = 2 \times 2 + 1$$

$$2 = 2 \times 1 + 0$$

Since GCD is 1, inverse exists.

Step-2 : Back Substitution

$$\text{From, } 5 = 7 - 1 \times 5 \quad 5 = 26 - (3 \times 7)$$

$$\text{From, } 2 = 7 - 1 \times 5$$

$$\text{From, } 1 = 5 - 2 \times 2$$

Substitute,

$$2 = 7 - 1 \times (7 - 1 \times 5)$$

$$2 = 7 - 1(26 - 3 \times 7)$$

$$= 7 - 26 + 3 \times 7$$

$$\therefore 2 = 4 \times 7 - 26$$

$$\text{Now, } 1 = 5 - 2 \times 2$$

$$1 = (26 - 3 \times 7) - 2(4 \times 7 - 26)$$

$$1 = 26 - 3 \times 7 - 8 \times 7 + 2 \times 26$$

$$1 = 3 \times 26 - 11 \times 7$$

Step-3 :- Identify Inverse :-

$$1 \equiv -11 \times 7 \pmod{26}$$

$$\therefore -11 \times 7 \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$

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So, inverse of 7 mod 26 is,

$$-11 + 26 = 15$$

$$\text{So, } 15 \times 7 \equiv 105 \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$

This means the multiplicative inverse of 7 mod 26 is 15.

### Answer to the question 10

Step-1:- multiply the numbers,

$$(-8) \times 5 = -40$$

Step-2:- Reduce modulo 17

Since modulo results are usually taken as non-negative remainders we add multiples of 17 until the result become positive,

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$$-40 + 17 = -23 \text{ (Still negative)}$$

$$-23 + 17 = -6 \text{ (Still negative)}$$

$$-6 + 17 = 11 \text{ positive}$$

Final Answer  $\equiv (-8 \times 5) \bmod 17 = 11$ .

Answer to the question L1

Bézout's theorem:-

Statement:-

If  $a$  and  $b$  are integers and  $\gcd(a, b) = d$

Then there exist integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that

$$ax + by = d$$

if  $d = 1$  then

$$ax + by = 1$$

In this case,  $x$  is multiplicative inverse of  $a$  modulo  $b$ .

$$(ax + by) \equiv 1 \pmod{b}$$

Proof :-

1) From GCD definition :-

The set of all integers of the form

$ax+by$  contains  $\gcd(a, b)$

2) Using Euclidean Algorithm :-

we can find  $\gcd(a, b)$  and write it as a combination of  $a$  and  $b$ .

3) If  $\gcd = 1$ ,

The equation become  $ax+by=1$ .

take modulo  $b$ ,  $ax \equiv 1 \pmod{b}$  meaning  $x$  is the inverse of  $a \pmod{b}$ .

Find the multiplicative inverse of 97 mod 385.

we want  $x$  such that,

$$97x \equiv 1 \pmod{385}$$

$$\text{on, } 97x + 385y = 1$$

Step-1: Apply Extended Euclidean Algorithm.

$$1. \ 385 = 3 \times 97 + 94$$

$$2. \ 97 = 1 \times 94 + 3$$

$$3. \ 94 = 3 \times 31 + 1$$

$$4. \ 3 = 3 \times 1 + 0$$

Step-2: Back Substitution:-

$$94 = 385 - 3 \times 97$$

$$3 = 97 - 1 \times 94$$

$$1 = 94 - 31 \times 3$$

Substitution,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= (\cancel{385 - 3 \times 97}) - 31(\cancel{97 - 1 \times 94}) \\ &= \cancel{385 - 3 \times 97} - 97 \times 31 + 94 \times 31 \end{aligned}$$

$$1 = 94 \times 32 - 97 \times 31$$

$$= 32(385 - 3 \times 97) - 97 \times 31$$

$$= 385 \times 32 - 97 \times 97 - 97 \times 31$$

$$\therefore 1 = 385 \times 32 - 127 \times 97$$

Take modulus

$$(-127) \times 97 \equiv 1 \pmod{385}$$

Since we need a positive inverse

$$-127 \pmod{385} = 385 - 127 = 258$$

So,

Inverse of 97 mod 385 is 258

$$(258 \times 18 - (40 \times 8 - 28)) \text{ Ans.}$$

$$258 \times 18 + 18 \times 40 = 40 \times 8 - 28$$

## Answers to the Question 12

### 1) Bezout's identity

#### Statement:-

For any integers  $a, b$  not both zero,  
there exist integers  $x, y$  such that,

$$ax + by = \gcd(a, b)$$

#### Proof:-

- Run the Euclidean algorithm to compute  $d = \gcd(a, b)$ . This gives a sequence of divisions with remainders:

$$a = q_1 b + r_1, \quad b = q_2 r_1 + r_2 \text{ etc.}$$

$$r_1 = q_3 r_2 + r_3$$

Until the remainder is zero, the last nonzero remainder is  $d$ .

- work backwards; each remainder is an integer linear combination of  $a$  and  $b$ .

when you express the last nonzero remainder  $d$  in terms of the previous remainders and substitute back repeatedly, you obtain integers  $x, y$  with  $ax + by = d$ .

- Thus Bezout coefficients exist and the Euclidean algorithm provides them explicitly.

2) Find  $n$  such that  $43n \equiv 1 \pmod{240}$

we need integers  $x, y$  with

$$43x + 240y \equiv 1 \pmod{240}$$

Applying the extended Euclidean algorithm,

Step-A  $\rightarrow$  Euclidean algorithm (compute gcd)

$$240 = 5 \times 48 + 20$$

$$48 = 2 \times 20 + 8$$

$$20 = 2 \times 8 + 4$$

$$8 = 2 \times 4 + 0$$

$$4 = 1 \times 3 + 1$$

$$3 = 3 \times 1 + 0$$

## Step-B: Back Substitution

$$I = u - 1 \cdot 3$$

$$\therefore 3 = I - 1 \cdot u$$

$$\therefore I = u - 1 \cdot (I - 1 \cdot u)$$

$$I = u - I + 1 \cdot u$$

$$I = 2 \cdot u - 1 \cdot I$$

$$\therefore u = 18 - 2 \cdot I$$

$$\Rightarrow I = 2 \cdot (18 - 2 \cdot I) - 1 \cdot I$$

$$= 2 \cdot 18 - 4 \cdot I - 1 \cdot I$$

$$= 2 \cdot 18 - 5 \cdot I \leftarrow A-9+3$$

$$I = 2 \cdot 18 - 5 \cdot I$$

$$\Rightarrow I = 2 \cdot 18 - 5 \cdot (25 - 1 \cdot 18)$$

$$= 2 \cdot 18 - 5 \cdot 25$$

$$E + N \times I = F$$

$$D + E \times I = P$$

$$O + I \cdot E = S$$

$$\bullet 18 = 43 - \underline{1} \cdot 25$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = 7(43 - 1 \cdot 25) - 5 \cdot 25$$

$$= 7 \cdot 43 - \underline{12} \cdot 25$$

$$\bullet 25 = 240 - 5 \cdot 43$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = 7 \cdot 43 - 12 \cdot (240 - 5 \cdot 43)$$

$$= 7 \cdot 43 + \underline{60} \cdot 43 - 12 \cdot 240$$

$$\underline{1} = 67 \cdot 43 - 12 \cdot 240$$

→ Reduce modulo 240:

$$\therefore 43, 67 \equiv \underline{1} \pmod{240}$$

$$\therefore n = 67$$

$$\therefore n \equiv 67 \pmod{240} \quad \text{(Ans)}$$

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## Answer to the Question 13

prove Fermat's Little Theorem and explain

how it is used for test primality. Is 561  
a prime number based on this test?

→ If  $p$  is prime and  $a$  is not divisible  
by  $p$  then  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

Proof:-

→ Consider the numbers  $a, 2a, 3a, \dots, (p-1)a$

→ These numbers are distinct modulo  $p$   
(since  $p$  is prime and  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ )

→ Their product is congruent to  $(p-1)!$  mod  $p$

$$a \cdot 2a \cdot 3a \cdots (p-1)a \equiv (p-1)! \pmod{p}$$

$$a^{p-1} \cdot (p-1)! \equiv (p-1)! \pmod{p}$$

→ Since  $(p-1)!$  is not divisible by  $p$ , we can  
cancel it if  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

## Fermat's Primality Test:

→ For a candidate  $n$ , pick a random  $a$  where  $1 < a < n$ .

→ If  $a^{n-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ ,  $n$  is composite.

→ If  $a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ ,  $n$  is likely prime.

Is 561 prime?

$$561 = 3 \times 17 \times 11$$

So, 561 is composite.

Now, check for Fermat's behavior:

$561 - 1 = 560$ . For base, a co-prime to 561, one can show that  $a^{560} \equiv 1 \pmod{561}$

Indeed, 561 is a Carmichael number because it squarefree and for each prime divisor  $p$  of 561,  $p-1$  divides 560.

$$3-1=2 \mid 560, 11-1=10 \mid 560, 17-1=16 \mid 560$$

By the Carmichael property every  $a$

with  $\gcd(0, 561) = 1$  will satisfy.

$a^{560} \equiv 1 \pmod{561}$  - so, for such base

Fermat's test declares probably prime.

Evaluate  $5^{123} \pmod{175}$  -

Step 1: Factorize 175,  $175 = 5^2 \times 7$

Step 2: Compute  $5^{123} \pmod{25}$

Since  $25 = 5^2$  for  $k \geq 2$ ,  $k^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{25}$

thus,  $5^{123} \equiv 0 \pmod{25}$

Step-3: Compute  $5^{123} \pmod{7}$

By Fermat's Little Theorem  $5 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$

Write  $123 = 6 \times 20 + 3$

$$5^{123} \equiv (5^6)^{20} \times 5^3 \equiv 1^{20} \times 125 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

Step-4: Combine Result via CRT

we need  $\rightarrow$  such that.

$$x \equiv 0 \pmod{25}, x \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$$

Let,  $x = 25k$  then

$$25k \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$$

$$4k \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$$

$$k \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

Thus  $k = 7m+5$  and

$$x = 25(7m+5)$$

$$= 175m + 125$$

The smallest non-negative solution is 125

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## Answer to the Question 14

### Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT)

Statement:- If  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k$  are pairwise coprime positive integers, and we have the system

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1} \quad \text{--- } \times$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2} \quad \text{--- } \times$$

⋮

$$\text{and } x \equiv a_k \pmod{m_k}$$

Then there exists a unique solution modulo

$$M = m_1 m_2 m_3 \dots m_k, \quad \theta = M$$

Proof:-

1) Since  $m_i$  are coprime each  $m_i = \frac{M}{m_i}$  is coprime with  $m_i$ .

2) By Bezout's identity, there exists  $y_i$  such that  $m_i y_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i}$

3) The solution is,

$$x \equiv \sum_{i=1}^k a_i m_i y_i \pmod{M}$$

④ This  $x$  satisfies all congruences and is unique modulo  $M$ .

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Given system,  $m_1, m_2, m_3 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

we know,

$$x = (a_1 M_1 M_1^{-1} + a_2 M_2 M_2^{-1} + a_3 M_3 M_3^{-1}) \pmod{M}$$

Here

$$a_1 = 2, a_2 = 3, a_3 = 2$$

$$m_1 = 3, m_2 = 5, m_3 = 7 = M$$

$$M = m_1 m_2 m_3 = 3 \times 5 \times 7 = 105$$

$$\therefore M_1 = \frac{105}{3} = 35, M_2 = \frac{105}{5} = 21$$

$$M_3 = \frac{105}{7} = 15$$

$$M_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}, M_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}, M_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$(M_1 M_2 M_3)^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{105}$$

$$M_1 \times M_1^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{m_1}$$

$$\text{on, } 35 \times M_1^{-1} + 1 \times M_1 \cdot 0 + 0 \times M_1 \cdot 0 \equiv 1$$

$$\text{on, } 35 \times 2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$\therefore M_1^{-1} = 2$$

(201 born 888) = X

again

$$M_2 \times M_2^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{m_2}$$

$$21 \times 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$\text{So, } (201 \text{ born } 888) = \text{X}$$

$$M_2^{-1} = 1$$

And

$$M_3 \times M_3^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{m_3}$$

$$\text{on, } 13 \times M_3^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$\text{on, } 13 \times 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$\therefore M_3^{-1} = 1$$

So,

$$(\text{mod } 1 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} M & M \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix})$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &= a_1 M_1 M_1^{-1} + a_2 M_2 M_2^{-1} + a_3 M_3 M_3^{-1} \\ &= 2 \times 35 \times 2 + 3 \times 21 \times 1 + 2 \times 15 \times 1 \\ &= 140 + 63 + 30 \\ X &\equiv 233 \pmod{105} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{on, } 233 \pmod{105} \quad 1 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} M & M \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$233 = 105 \times 2 + 23$$

$$\therefore X = 23 \pmod{105}$$

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$$(\text{mod } 1 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} M & M \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix})$$

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## Answer to the Question 15

CIA Triad in information Security.

→ The CIA Triad is fundamental model for designing and evaluating the security of information System. It consists of 3 core principles.

### 1) Confidentiality.

- Ensures that information is accessible also only to authorized users.
- Prevents unauthorized disclosure of sensitive data.
- Achieved through methods like encryption, access controls, and authentication.

### 2) Integrity:

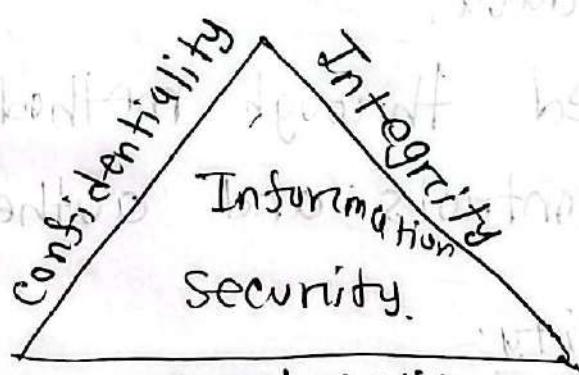
- Guarantees that info is accurate, consistent and unaltered except by

authorized entries.

- Protects against data corruption.
- Achieved through hashing, checksums, digital signature and version control.

### 3) Availability

- Ensures that information and resource are accessible when needed.
- Protects against service disruptions caused by failures or attacks.
- Achieved through redundancy, backups, load balancing, and disaster recovery plans.



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**Fig-CIA Triad**

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## How they work together:-

- Confidentiality :- keep secret safe.
- Integrity keeps truth intact.
- Availability keeps services reliable.

## Answer to the Question 16

### Difference between Steganography and Cryptography

#### Steganography

- ① Hides the existence of the message.
- ② Message is invisible within another medium.
- ③ Concealment techniques.
- ④ Hard to detect if done well.
- ⑤ Hiding a text file inside an image.

#### Cryptography

- ① Protect the content of the message.
- ② Ciphertext is visible but unreadable without key.
- ③ Mathematical algorithm and keys.
- ④ Easy to detect but hard to read Encrypted data.
- ⑤ Encrypting a message with AES or RSA.

⑥ Require a cover medium.	⑥ works without any cover medium.
⑦ If detected, hidden data can be extracted easily.	⑦ If key is compromised message can be read.

## Common Techniques for Hiding Data in digital media.

1) LSB insertion :- Replace least significant bits of image / audio with secret bits.

2) Frequency domain embedding,  
Hide data in DCT / DWT Coefficients.

3) Text Steganography ,= use spacing, font changes, or invisible characters.

4) Audio / Video Steganography :- Embed data in sound or video frames.

5) Metadata Hiding :- Store data in unused file metadata fields.

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## Answer to the question 17

Difference between phishing, malware and Denial-of-service (DoS) Attack.

Feature	Phising	Malware	Denial of service (DoS)
Method	1) Tricks user to share info using fraudulent email, website or msg.	1) Malicious software to damage, steal or control data.	1) Overloads target system to make it unavailable.
Impact	2) Loss the personal information, identity theft.	2) Data theft, corruption on complete system compromise.	3) Service disruption, downtime, loss of availability.
Target	3) Individuals, orgs	3) System, networks	3) Servers, networks
Prevention	4) User awareness training, email filtering, URL verification,	4) Antivirus, patch management and secure downloads.	4) Firewalls, rate limiting, DoS mitigation tools.
Delivery	5) Fack mails and sites.	5) Damage or steal data.	5) massive traffic flood.

## Answer to the question 18

How GDPR help mitigate cyber attacks and protect user privacy.

1) Data protection principles → Enforces rules for lawful, fair and transparent process of personal data.

2) User Consent :- Requires explicit consent before collecting or processing user data.

3) Data minimization :- Limit collection to only necessary data, reducing exposure risk.

4) Breach notification :- Mandates reporting of data breaches within 72 hours to authorities and users.

5) Security measures :- Requires organizations to implement technical and organizational safeguards.

6) Right to access and Erasure- Give user control over their personal data.

7) Heavy penalties- Impose large fine for non compliance, motivating stronger security

$$(d, p)_{\text{Bob}} = p_d + N_p$$

- (Euler)

degree of matching mobility with user

to message & user intent.  $(d, p)_{\text{Bob}} = b$

$$d_1 + d_2 + p = 10$$

$$d_1 + d_2 + p = 17$$

total degree of bipartite graph

bipartite graph

no of bipartite node known now.

it has to be minimum result required

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## Answer to the Question 19

DES (Data Encryption Standard) - Basic working using 64 bit plaintext and 56 bit key.

### 1) Input block and key :-

- Plaintext : 64 bits ( $P = 0123456789ABCDEF$  in hex)

- Key :- 64 bits at input, but only 56 bits are used (8 bits for parity)

### 2) Initial permutation (IP) :-

- The 64-bit plaintext undergoes initial permutation using a fixed table.

- The bits are rearranged, according to the IP table.

- Output : Two 32 bit halves  $L_0$  and  $R_0$

### 3) 16 Round of Feistel Structure :- Each round has :-

## Expansion (E)

- key mixing (X-OR)

## Substitution (S-box)

- permutation (P)

## Steps per round

### a) Expansion :-

- $R(n-1)$  (32 bits)  $\rightarrow$  Expanded to 48 bits

Using expansion table which introduce redundancy.

### b) key mixing :-

- The 48 bits expanded  $E(R(n-1))$  is XORED with 48 bit subkey  $k_e(n)$ .
- Subkey are generated from the 56-bit main key, one for each round.

### c) Substitution (S-box)

- The X-OR result is divided into 8 blocks of the 6-bits.

## Substitution

- Each bit goes through an S-box, outputting 4 bits each.

- Final result : 32 bits.

## d) Permutation :-

- The 32 bit output from S-boxes is permuted again using a fixed table.

## e) Feistel Swap :-

$$\cdot L(n) = R(n-1)$$

$$\cdot R(n) = L(n-1) \oplus DR f(R(n-1), k(n))$$

## 4) Repeat for 16 Rounds :-

- Each round uses a different 48-bit Subkey generated from the original key using PC-1, Shifts, and PC-2 tables.

## 5) Final permutation (FP) :-

- After 16 rounds,  $R_{16}$  and  $L_{16}$  are swapped and then the final permutation (inverse of  $P_1$ )

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is applied.

- The result is 64-bit Ciphertext.

Answer to the  
Question 20

DES round function Calculation:-

Given that,

$$R_0 = \text{0xF0F0F0F0}$$

$$K_1 = \text{0x0F0F0F0F}$$

$$L_0 = \text{0xAFFFFFFF}$$

Step 1 :-

$$f(R_0, K_1) = R_0 \oplus K_1$$

Let's convert both to binary first,

$$R_0 = \text{0xF0F0F0F0}$$

$$= \underline{\text{111000111000111}} \underline{\text{000011110000}}$$

$$K_1 = \text{0x0F0F0F0F}$$

$$= \underline{\text{0000111100001111}} \underline{\text{000011110000}}$$

Binary

Now XOR bit by bit

$$\begin{array}{r} 1111\ 0000 \quad (R_0) \\ \oplus 0000\ 1111 \quad (K_1) \\ \hline 1111\ 1111 \rightarrow FF \end{array}$$

repeat for all  $n$  bytes

$$f(R_0, K_1) = 0x\text{FFFFFF}$$

Step-2:-

$$R_1 = L_0 \text{ XOR } f(R_0, K_1)$$

$$L_0 = 0x\text{AAAAAAA}$$

$$= 10101010\ 10101010\ 10101010\ 10101010$$

$$f(R_0, K_1) = 0x\text{FFFFF}$$

Now XOR

$$\begin{array}{r} 10101010 \\ \oplus 11111111 \\ \hline 01010101 \rightarrow 55 \end{array}$$

Repeat for all  $n$  bytes

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$R_1 = 0x55555555$  first 8 bits of 1st row work

Step-3 :-  $L_1 = R_0 = 0xF0F0F0F0$   
Final Answer

•  $f(R_0, K_1) = 0xFFFFFFF$

•  $L_1 = R_0 = 0xF0F0F0F0$

$R_1 = 0x55555555$  (Ans)

Answer to the question Q1

Input word :-  $[0x23, 0xA7, 0x4C, 0x19]$

S-box provided

Row\Col	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C
1	ED	*	05	CB	*	*				
2	D4	*	00	CB	*	*				
4	AB	*	00	CB	*	*				
A	AB	AL	*	*	*	*				

$\rightarrow$   $01010101$   
 $\rightarrow$   $01010101$  Ans

Ans is not correct

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Now lookup

- 1)  $0x23 \rightarrow \text{Row} = 2, \text{Col} = 3 \rightarrow D_4$
- 2)  $0xA7 \rightarrow \text{Row} = A, \text{Col} = 7 \rightarrow (\text{not given, not Available})$
- 3)  $0x4C \rightarrow \text{Row} = 4, \text{Col} = C \rightarrow Q_E$
- 4)  $0x19 \rightarrow \text{Row} = 1, \text{Col} = 9 \rightarrow (\text{not given, not Available})$

Final Answer  
Output word =  $[D_4, MA, 2E, NA]$   
=  $[D_4, 63, 2E, C_6]$

Answer to the Question 22

Given,

Input word :-

$0x1A, 0x2B, 0x3C, 0x4D$

Round key word :-

$0x55, 0x66, 0x77, 0x88$

1st Byte:

now work

$$\text{Input byte} = 0x1A = 00011010$$

$$\text{Round key} = 0x55 = 01010101$$

$$\text{XOR result} = \underline{01001111}$$

$$= 0x\ 4F$$

2nd Byte:

$$\text{Input byte} = 0x2B = 00101011$$

$$\text{Round key} = 0x66 = \underline{01100110}$$

$$\text{XOR result} = \underline{01001101}$$

$$= 0x\ 4D$$

3rd Byte:

$$\text{Input byte} = 0x3C = 00111100$$

$$\text{Round key} = 0x77 = \underline{01010101}$$

$$\text{XOR result} = \underline{01001011}$$

$$= 0x\ 4B$$

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4th byte:-

Written out algorithm

Input byte =  $0x\text{UD} = 01000110100$

Round key =  $0x88 = 10001000$

XOR result =  $11000101$

$= 0xC5$

After Add Round Key Output =  $[0x\text{UF}, 0x\text{UD}, 0x\text{UB}, 0x\text{C5}]$

Answer to the question

23

AES mincolumns :-

matrix :  $\begin{bmatrix} 02 & 03 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 02 & 03 & 01 \\ 01 & 01 & 02 & 03 \\ 03 & 01 & 01 & 02 \end{bmatrix}$

Input column =  $\begin{bmatrix} 0x01 \\ 0x02 \\ 0x03 \\ 0x04 \end{bmatrix}$

multiply Two matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 0x02 & 0x03 & 0x01 & 0x01 \\
 0x01 & 0x02 & 0x03 & 0x01 \\
 0x01 & 0x01 & 0x02 & 0x03 \\
 0x03 & 0x01 & 0x01 & 0x02
 \end{bmatrix} \times
 \begin{bmatrix}
 0x01 \\
 0x02 \\
 0x03 \\
 0x04
 \end{bmatrix}$$

$(0x02 \times 0x01) \oplus (0x03 \times 0x02) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x03) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x04)$   
 $(0x01 \times 0x01) \oplus (0x02 \times 0x02) \oplus (0x03 \times 0x03) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x04)$   
 $(0x01 \times 0x01) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x02) \oplus (0x02 \times 0x03) \oplus (0x03 \times 0x04)$   
 $(0x03 \times 0x01) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x02) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x03) \oplus (0x02 \times 0x04)$

Byte-1

$$0x02 \times 0x01 = 0x02, \quad 0x03 \times 0x02 = 0x06, \quad 0x01 \times 0x03 = 0x03$$

$$0x01 \times 0x04 = 0x04$$

$$\Rightarrow 0x02 \oplus 0x06 \oplus 0x03 \oplus 0x04$$

Hence

$$0x02(0x010) \oplus 0x06(0110) = 0100 \\ = 0x04$$

$$0x03(0011) \oplus 0x04(0100) = 0111 = 0x07$$

~~(0x01 \* 0x00) + (0x00 \* 10<sub>NO</sub>) + (10<sub>NO</sub> \* 10<sub>NO</sub>)~~

$$0x04(00000100) \oplus 0x07(01000011) = 00000011 = 0x03$$

~~(0x10<sub>NO</sub>) + (0x01 \* 80<sub>NO</sub>) + 20<sub>NO</sub> + 50<sub>NO</sub> + 10<sub>NO</sub>~~

$$\text{Final} = 0x03$$

Byte - 2

$$0x01(01 * 01) = 0x01, 02 * 02 = 0x04, 03 * 03 = 0x09$$

$$01 * 04 = 0x04, 03 * 03 = (0x02 + 0x01) * 0x03$$

$$= (0x02 * 0x03) \oplus (0x01 * 0x03)$$

$$= 0x06 \oplus 0x03$$

$$= 0110 \oplus 0011$$

$$= 0101 = 0x05$$

$$= 0x01 \oplus 0x04 \oplus 0x05 + 0x04$$

$$(2) = 0x0001 \oplus 0x0100 \oplus 0x0101 + 0x0100$$

$$= 0x0100$$

$$= 0x04$$

জ্ঞাত = 0  
বিষয় = 1

8421  
0100

Byte - 3

$$\begin{aligned} &= (0x10 \times 0x01) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x02) \oplus (0x02 \times 0x03) + (0x03 \times 0x04) \\ &= 0x01 \oplus 0x02 \oplus 0x06 + (0x02 + 0x01) \times 0x04 \\ &= 0x01 \oplus 0x02 \oplus 0x06 + (0x02 \cdot 0x04) \oplus (0x01 \otimes 0x04) \\ &= 0x01 \oplus 0x02 \oplus 0x06 + 0x08 \oplus 0x04 \\ &= 0x0001 \oplus 0x0010 \oplus 0x0110 \oplus 0x1000 \\ &\quad + 0x0100 \\ &= 0x1001 = 0x09 \end{aligned}$$

Byte - 4

$$\begin{aligned} &= (0x03 \times 0x01) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x02) \oplus (0x01 \times 0x03) + (0x02 \times 0x04) \\ &= 0x03 \oplus 0x02 \oplus 0x03 + 0x08 \\ &= 0x0011 \oplus 0x0010 \oplus 0x0D11 + 0x1000 \\ &= 0x1010 \end{aligned}$$

Output = 0x03, 0x04, 0x09, 0xA

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Answer to the question

Q4

What is AES-OFB?

OFB (Output Feedback Mode) is a Stream Cipher of AES encryption. It turns the block cipher into a synchronous stream cipher using feedback.

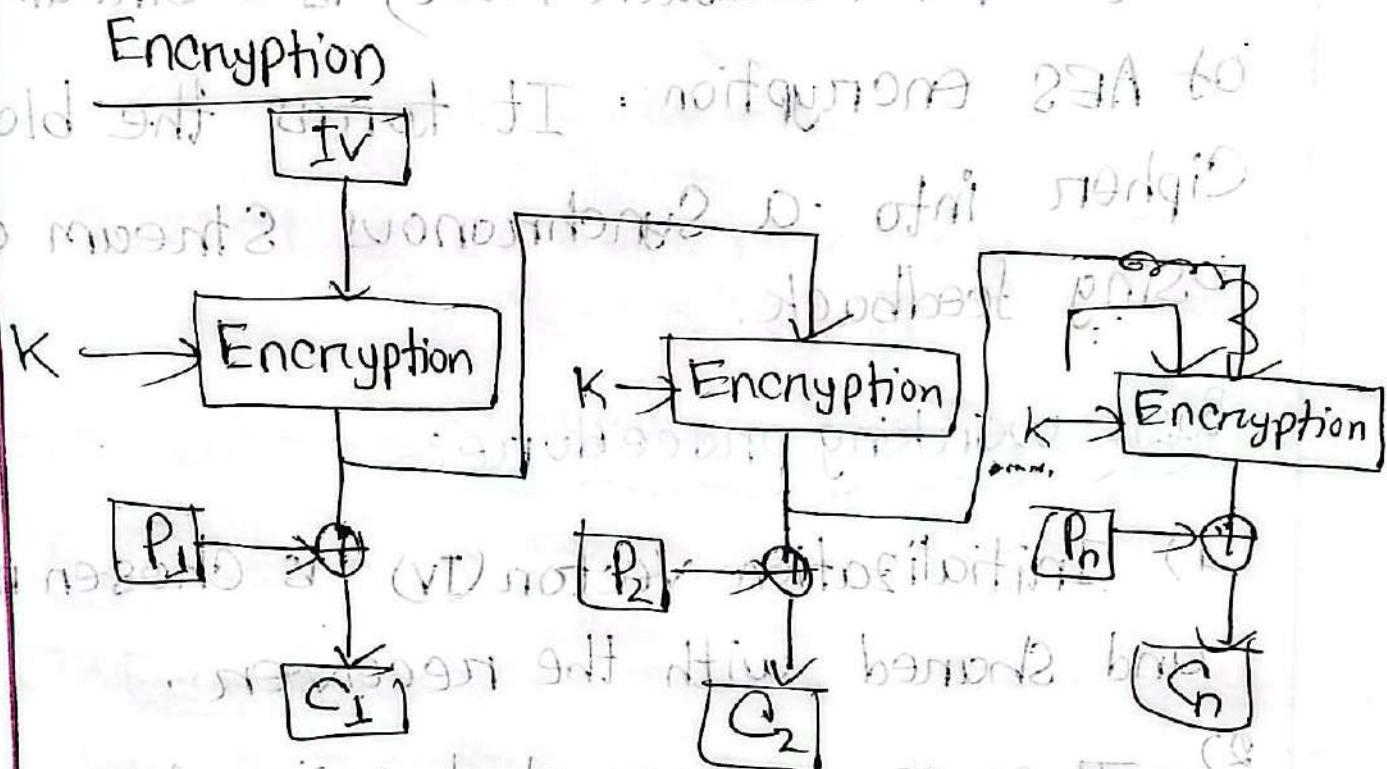
Basic working procedure:-

- 1) Initialization vector (IV) is chosen randomly and shared with the receiver.
- 2) The IV is encrypted using AES and a secret key  $\Rightarrow$  This generates the first output block.
- 3) The output block is XORed with the plaintext block to produce the ciphertext.
- 4) The same output block is used as the input for AES in the next round.

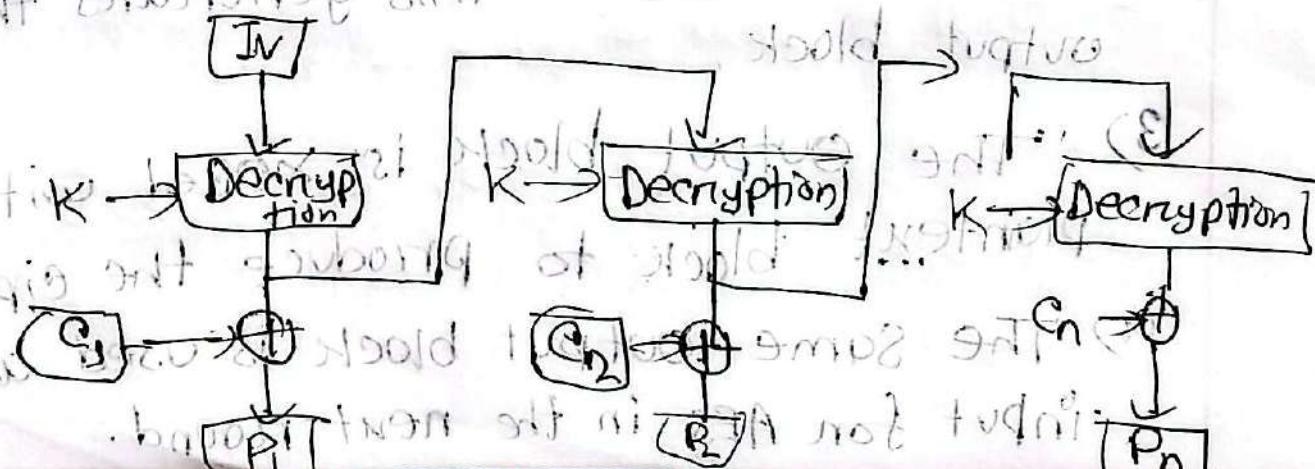
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5) This repeats for every block.

6) Decryption uses the same output stream to XOR with the ciphertext gives original plaintext.



Decryption



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## How Synchronization is ensured:-

- 1) Both sender and receiver use same IV and key.
- 2) They generate the same output stream using AES.
- 3) So, Ciphertext and plaintext remain in sync - even over streaming.

## Answer to the Question Q3

AES mode that cause error propagation.

- 1) CBC (Cipher Block Chaining) and CFB (Cipher Feedback) modes both cause error propagation.
- 2) A single bit error in the ciphertext will effect multiple blocks in decryption.

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## In CBC mode :-

- Each Ciphertext block is used to decrypt the next plaintext block.
- So, if one ciphertext block is corrupted
  - The current plaintext block becomes garbled.
  - The next block is also affected due to XOR with corrupted block.

- Effect :- One error → effect two blocks

## Example:-

Let's we have 3 Ciphertext blocks  $C_1, C_2, C_3$

if  $C_2$  is corrupted  $\Rightarrow$

$P_2$  = wrong (because its derived from  $\text{Decrypt}(C_2) \oplus C_1$ )

$P_{2,i}$  = also wrong ( $\text{Decrypt}(C_3) \oplus C_2$ )

## In CFB mode:-

- Each ciphertext block is fed back into the encryption process.
- If a ciphertext block is corrupted
  - The corresponding plaintext block become wrong,
  - And the next one is also affected.

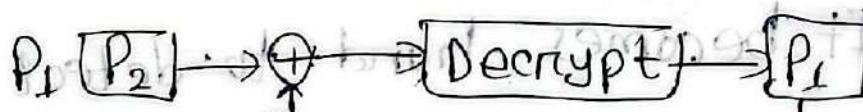
## Example:-

If  $C_2$  is corrupted

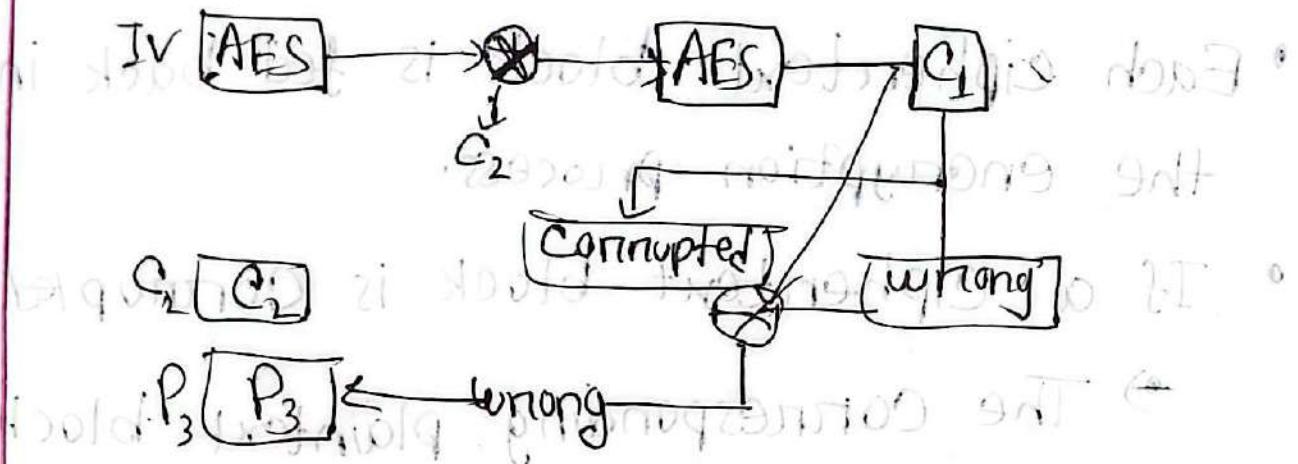
- $P_2$  = wrong.

- $P_3$  = also affected.

## SBC mode



## CFB mode



Impact on integrity due to Error propagation:-

- 1) Single-bit errors in ciphertext causes multiple-bit errors in decrypted output (CBC / CFB).
- 2) Even a small corruption in transmission can distort entire plaintext blocks.
- 3) It becomes hard to detect which part of the original message was correct or wrong.
- 4) This weakens msg. integrity if no additional MAC is used.

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## Answer to the question (P)

R6

~~Answer to the question (P)  
R6  
did not feed in now~~

I will recommend CTR (Counter mode) for encryption large files with parallel processing.

### Justification:-

1) Supports parallel processing :-

Each block is encrypted independently using a counter value, allowing simultaneous encryption / decryption.

2) No block dependency :-

CTR does not rely on previous ciphertext like CBC so it is faster and more efficient.

3) Maintains data confidentiality :-

CTR hides repeating patterns in plain text, unlike ECB which leaks structure.

#### 4) Ideal for large files:-

Works best for big files where speed and efficiency matter.

#### 5) Error does not propagate:-

A single-bit error affects only the corresponding block, making recovery easier.

#### 6) Flexible counter-based design:-

Counters can be precomputed and reused securely with a unique nonce, improving performance.

Answer to the question:

and also have to decrypt it using the private key,

given,

A2R ni 9205 1010992 D 21

$$m=1,$$

$$e=5,$$

$$n=14$$

$$d=11$$

### Encryption:-

$$C = m^e \bmod n$$

$$C = 1^5 \bmod 14$$

$$= 1 \bmod 14$$

Ciphertext is 1.

### Decryption :-

$$m = c^d \bmod n$$

$$= 1^{11} \bmod 14$$

$$= 1 \bmod 14$$

$$= 1$$

Observation:- Since the original message was 1, exponentiation didn't change its value. This

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is a special case in RSA.

(M, p)

L = M

### Answer to the Question 28

we have to generate the digital signal

Given,

$$H(m) = 5$$

$$d = 3$$

$$n = 33$$

$$n \bmod 9m = 0$$

$$n \bmod 31 = 0$$

Digital Signal generation formula,

$$\begin{aligned} S &= H(m)^d \bmod n \\ &= 5^3 \bmod 33 \\ &= 125 \bmod 33 \\ \therefore S &= 26 \end{aligned}$$

Digital Signature  $S = 26$

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## Answer to the Question 29

Given,

$$P = 17 \text{ (primary modulo)}$$

$$g = 3 \text{ (Base)}$$

• Aleya's private key :  $a = 4$

• Badol's private key :  $b = 5$

### Step-1

Aleya's public key :

#### Formula

$$A = g^a \bmod P$$

$$= 3^4 \bmod 17$$

$$= 81 \bmod 17$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 17 \\ \overline{)81} \\ 68 \\ \hline 13 \end{array}$$

### Step-2

Badol's public key

#### Formula :-

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$$B = g^b \bmod p$$

$$= 3^5 \bmod 17$$

$$= 243 \bmod 17$$

$$= 243 - (17 \times 14) \cdot 8 = 3$$

$$B = 3$$

Badol's public key = 5

Final Answer

Aleya's public key 13

Badol's public key 5.

Answer to the Question 30

Given,

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} \text{Sum of ASCII values of characters in } x \bmod 100 & \text{if } x \neq \text{empty string} \\ 0 & \text{if } x = \text{empty string} \end{cases}$$

1) message "AB"

$$\cdot \text{ASCII('A')} = 65$$

$$\cdot \text{ASCII('B')} = 66$$

Binary

$$\text{Sum} = 65 + 66 = 131 \text{ mod } 100 \text{ no overflow}$$

Hash :- out - result of 2 inputs.

$$H("AB") = 131 \text{ mod } 100 \\ = 31$$

2) message "BA".

$$\text{ASCII}(B) = 66$$

$$\text{ASCII}(A) = 65$$

$$\text{Sum} = 66 + 65 = 131$$

Hash :-

$$H("BA") = 131 \text{ mode } 100$$

$$= 31$$

Comparison

$$H("AB") = 31 \quad H("BA") = 31$$

Same hash value,  $\rightarrow$  This means "AB" and "BA" produce the same hash.

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## Implication on Collision Resistance

- This is a collision, - two different inputs produce the same output hash
- It shows that weak hash functions are not collision-resistant.
- It can easily lead to security vulnerabilities.

Answer to the question 31

Given data

Message  $m = 15$

Secret key  $k = 7$

modulus = 17

Step 1: MAC Calculation;

Formula:-  $\in \text{mod } 9 \text{ mod } 2$

$$\text{MAC} = (m^2 + k) \bmod 17$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MAC} &= (15 + 7) \bmod 17 \rightarrow \text{b9229v8 2int} \\ &= 22 \bmod 17 \quad F = 6^2 \times \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{MAC} = 5$$

$$f(\text{bom} + i) = f(\text{bom}) + (F + 0)$$

Step-2 : Attacker's attempt:-

Suppose attacker changes the message  
from  $15 \rightarrow 10$

New MAC Formula

$$\text{MAC}_{\text{new}} = (0 + k) \bmod 17$$

But  $k$  is unknown, so the attacker can't  
compute the correct MAC.

If attacker guesses  $k$ :

- He wants MAC to match else mac 5

$$10 + k \equiv 5 \pmod{17}$$

$$\text{or, } k = -5 \bmod 17$$

$$\therefore k = 12 \pmod{17}$$

This guessed key is wrong because real  
key = 7

Receiver will check:-

$$(10+7) \bmod 17 = 17 \bmod 17$$

$$\text{if } 17 \neq 0 \text{ then attack fails}$$

This does not match  $\rightarrow$  Attack fails.

### Assumption

- 1) Without knowing the secret key, attacker cannot generate correct MAC.
- 2) Wrong MAC will be detected by the receiver.
- 3) Large modulus makes brute-force impractical.
- 4) MAC ensures message integrity and authentication.

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## Answer to the question 32

Steps involved in the ~~the~~ TLS Handshake process:-

### 1) Client Hello-~~handshake msg~~

- Client send Client Hello, Selecting TLS version, Cipher Suite and sends its random number.

### 2) Server Hello-~~msg of th step~~

- Server replies with Server Hello msg.
- Selecting TLS version, Cipher Suite and sends its random number.

### 3) Server Certificate-~~msg of 3rd step~~

- Server sends its digital certificate to prove identity.

### 4) Server key exchange-~~msg of 4th step~~

- For some Cipher Suites, the Server sends additional key exchange information.

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### 5) Server Hello Done:-

The Server signals that its part of the handshake is complete.

### 6) Client key exchange

The client generates a pre master secret and re-encrypts using server's public key,

- Sends it to the server

### 7) Session key generation

- Both sides user
- Client random
- Server random
- pre-master Secret  
→ to derive the session key using a key derivation function.

### 8) Finish messages

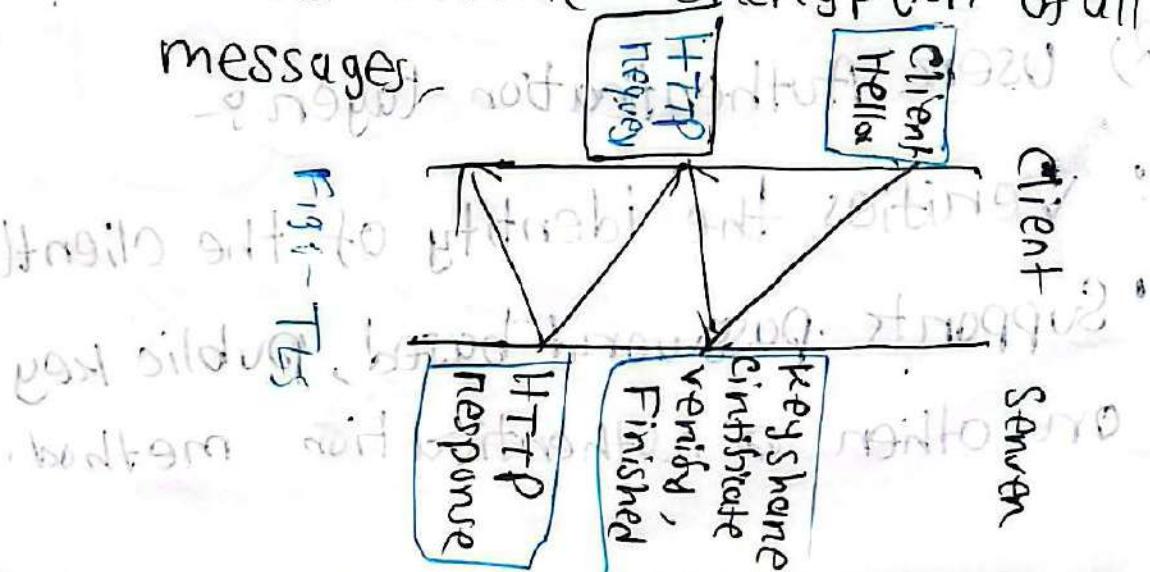
- Both encrypt and send a 'finished' message using the session key to

encryption is working,

Secure communication begins,

How Symmetric keys are established  
Securely:-

- 1) The Pre-master Secret is exchanged via asymmetric encryption.
- 2) Even if someone capture the handshake without their private key they can't derive the session key.
- 3) Once derived, the session key is used for fast symmetric encryption of all further messages.



## Answer to the question 33

SSH Layered Architecture (Protocol Stack)

→ SSH has 3 layers, each with a specific role:-

### 1) Transport Layer:-

- Establishes a secure and encrypted connection.
- Handles session authentication and confidentiality.
- negotiates encryption algorithms and compression.

### 2) User Authentication layer :-

- Verifies the identity of the client(user).
- Supports password-based, public key or other authentication methods.

### 3) Connection layer:

- Manages multiple logical channels over the single SSH connection.
- Support Services like remote shell, file transfer (SCP/SFTP) and port forwarding.

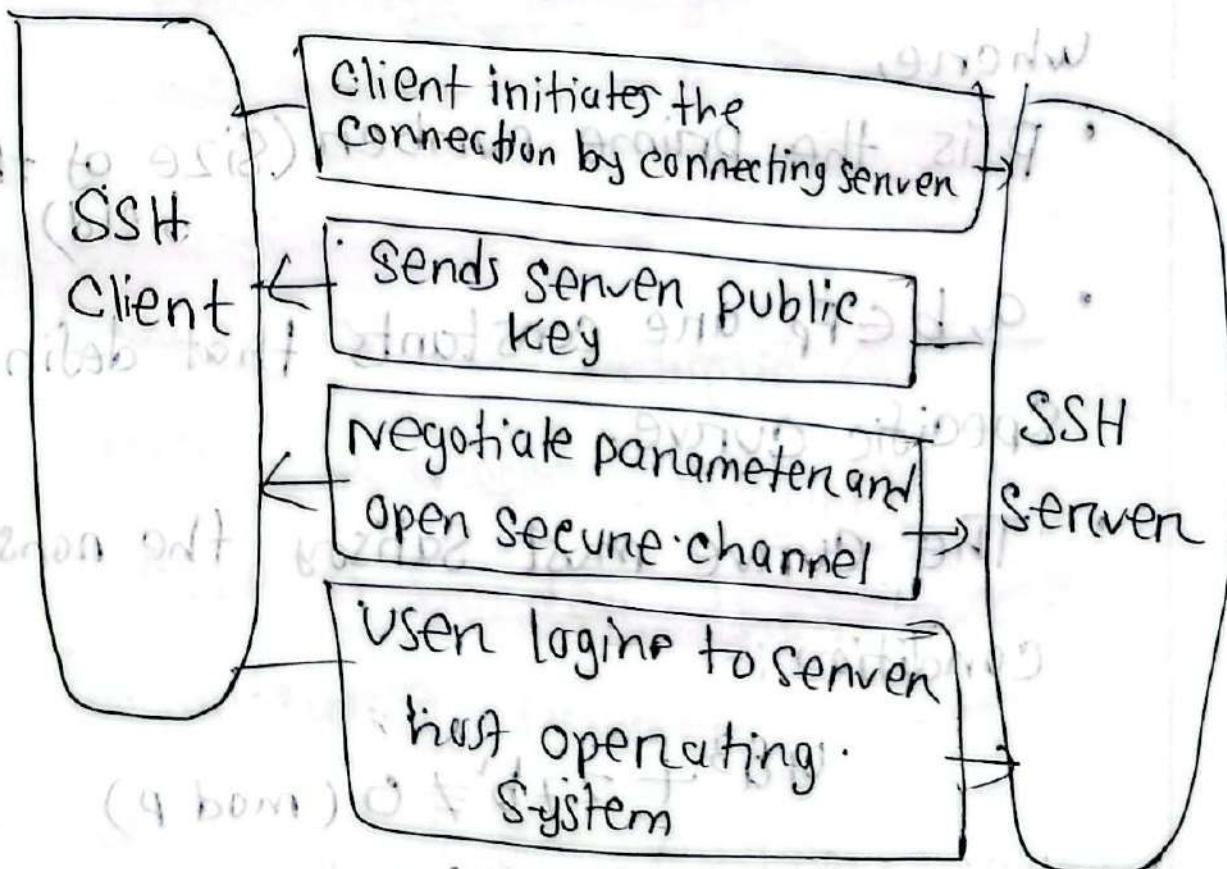


Fig: SSH protocol

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Answer to the question 3A (2)

Steps involved in the TLS Handshake process

1) Client Hello

- Client sends Client Hello, Selecting TLS version, Cipher Suite and sends its random number.

2) Server Hello

- Server replies with Server Hello msg.
- Selecting TLS version, Cipher suite and sends its random number.

3) Server Certificate

- Server sends its digital certificate to prove identity.

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### 6) Client Key Exchange:-

- The Client generates a pre master secret and encrypts it using server's public key.
- Sends it to the server.

### 7) Session key generation:-

- Both sides use:
  - Client random.
  - Server random.
  - pre-master Secret.
    - to derive the session key using a key derivation function.

### 8) Finish messages:-

- Both encrypt and send a 'finished' message using the session key to

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## Answer to the question - 35 (a) (b)

General form of Elliptic curve over a finite field:

Over a prime finite field  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , an elliptic curve is defined as

$$y^2 \text{ mod } p = (x^3 + ax + b) \text{ mod } p$$

where,

- $p$  is the prime number (size of the field)
- $a, b \in \mathbb{F}_p$  are constants that define the specific curve.

The curve must satisfy the nonsingularity condition

$$4a^3 + 27b^2 \neq 0 \pmod{p}$$

Why used in cryptography:

- ① High security with small key sizes.

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- 2) Efficient in computation and bandwidth.
- 3) Based on ~~electr~~ Elliptic Curve - Discrete Logarithm Problem (ECDLP) very hard to solve.
- 4) Widly used in security protocols like TLS, SSH, Bitcoins etc.
- 5) Bandwidth Savings

Answer to the question 3c

- 1) Based on the Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem (ECDLP).
- 2) ECDLP is harder than RSA's integer factorization problem.
- 3) Security grows exponentially with Ecc key size.
- 4) Requires much Smaller key with

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for same security level.

- 5) Example: ECC 256 bit  $\approx$  RSA 3072 bit security.
- 6) Smaller key means faster encryption / decryption.
- 7) Saves bandwidth and storage space.

### Answer to the question 37

We check if  $P = (3, 6)$  satisfy the curve.

Curve equation, s.t. no base point

$$y^2 \equiv x^3 + 2x + 3 \pmod{97}$$

Step - 1

$$\text{LHS} = y^2$$

$$= 6^2 = 36$$

$$\text{LHS} = 36 \pmod{97}$$

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Step-2

$$\begin{aligned}\text{RHS} &= x^3 + 2x + 3 \\ &= 3^3 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \\ &= 27 + 6 + 3 \\ &= 36\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{RHS} = 36 \pmod{97}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

So, point  $P = (3, 6)$  lies on the elliptic curve

Answer to the question 38

We use ElGamal encryption formula:-

Public key,

$$P = 23, g = 5, h = 8, m = 10, k = 6$$

Step1 :- Compute  $c_1$

$$c_1 = g^k \pmod{p}$$

$$c_1 = 5^6 \pmod{23} = 15625 \pmod{23} = 8$$

First,

$$5^2 = 25 \equiv 2 \pmod{23}$$

$$\text{or, } (5^2)^3 = 2^3 \pmod{23}$$

$$\therefore 5^6 = 8 \pmod{23}$$

$$\therefore C_1 = 8$$

Step-2 :- Compute  $C_2$ :

$$C_2 = m \times H^K \pmod{P}$$

$$= 10 \times 8^6 \pmod{23}$$

First

$$h^K = 8^6 \pmod{23}$$

$$8^2 = 64 \pmod{23}$$

$$8^4 = (8^2)^2 = 64^2 = 4096 \equiv 18 \pmod{23}$$

$$8^6 = 8^4 \cdot 8^2 = 18 \cdot 64 = 1152 \equiv 12 \pmod{23}$$

$$8^6 = 8^4 \cdot 8^2 = 2 \times 18 = 36 \equiv 12 \pmod{23}$$

~~So now we have to find the value of  $c_2$~~

$$c_2 = 10 \times 13 \equiv 130 \pmod{23}$$

~~value of  $c_2$  is 15~~

$$\text{init } c_2 = 15$$

$$\text{Ciphertext} = (c_1, c_2) = (8, 15) \pmod{23}$$

Answer to the question 39

Importance of Lightweight Cryptography  
in IOT

- 1) Low power Consumption:- IOT devices often run on batteries, so cryptographic algorithm must be energy efficient.
- 2) Low memory usage:- Many IOT devices have limited RAM / ROM, so algorithms must be small in code size.

3) Low Computational Cost:- Weak.

Processors in IoT devices require algorithms with low complexity.

4) Fast execution:- Enables real-time communications and quick encryption/decryption.

5) Adequate Security:- Even with reduced resources, must provide Confidentiality, integrity and ~~authenticated~~ authentication.

Example:

- PRESENT Cipher:- A lightweight block cipher designed for resource-constrained devices.

- Block Size:- 64 bits, key size: 80 or 128 bits.

- Used in RFID tags, wireless sensors and embedded systems.

### Answer to the question QO

#### 3 common IoT-specific attacks and their mitigation:-

##### 1) Firmware Hijacking:

- Explanation:- Attacker replaces or modifies device firmware to gain control or insert malicious code.

##### Mitigation:

- Tamper-Evident Seals and Secure Enclosure - prevent unnoticed access.
- Protect sensitive data on the device.
- Sensor-based Alerts.

## 2) Physical Tempering:

- Explanation: Direct physical access to IoT devices to alert components, extract keys or bypass security.
- Mitigation:

- 1) Secure Boot,
- 2) Firmware integrity check,
- 3) Regular update.

## 3) IoT Botnets:

- Explanation: Large scale infection of IoT devices to performing DDoS attack.

- Mitigation:

- a) Change default credentials.

- b) Firmware & Software updates,

- c) Network Segmentation & Firewall.

Answer to the question - 4

### Complete Python-based code

Here a Python program (Pseudo-Random Number Generator) that uses current system time as a customer seed value to generate random numbers. It also includes sample output.

~~for loop~~

## Python Program

import time

def custom\_pnrg(seed, count):

current\_time = int(time.time\_ns())

Combined-seed = seed \* current-time

a = 1664525

c = 1013904223

m = 2\*\*32

random\_numbers = []

x = combine\_seed

for i in range(count):

x = (a\*x + c) % m

random\_numbers.append(x)

return random\_numbers

seed\_value = 12345

count = 5

numbers = custom\_pnrg(seed\_value, count)

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Print("custom::prng.(Seed=12345, count)  
Print("Custom PRNG output:  
For i, num in enumerate(numbers, 1):  
    Print(f"Random Number {i}: {num}")
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Sample Output:

Custom PRNG output:

Random number 1: 1883951992

Random number 2: 2910389135

Random number 3: 2475739278

Random number 4: 339941785

Random number 5: 1320364488

Explanation:

- 1) Seed initialization → Combines custom seed and system time (nanoseconds)

Using  $\times$  OR for randomness.

- ii) LCG Formula  $\rightarrow$  uses  $(ax + c) \mod m$  to generate pseudo-random numbers.
- iii) Quantum Safety; This PRNG is not cryptography secure but is suitable for simulation / random tasks.
- iv) Dynamic Output  $\rightarrow$  Even with the same seed different times give different result