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Q1: About block cipher modes of operation

Evaluate the truth of the following assertions (please mark by X the T or F column, for true or false). [correct: +0.5; wrong: -0.25; no answer: 0]

Assertion	T	F
ECB is insecure for encrypting one single block of plaintext		
ECB is parallelizable		
CBC-encryption is parallelizable		
CBC-decryption is parallelizable		
In CBC decryption: a bit flip in the ciphertext corrupts only the current block		
Ciphertext stealing is a technique for reducing the size of the ciphertext by a constant factor		
CFB makes a block cipher into a self-synchronizing stream cipher		
OFB: knowledge of the initialization vector is not sufficient for breaking its security		
OFB: can preprocessing speed-up the encryption/decryption process?		
CTR: reusing the initialization vector does not introduce a vulnerability		

Q2: Odd/even game

Alice and Bob want to play the odd/even game by exchanging messages on the net. In the classic odd/even game the players choose two non-negative integers Z_A and Z_B , after having betted on the parity (even or odd) of $Z = Z_A + Z_B$; at time of betting the players have not yet chosen their numbers. The players play in the net by the following protocol. In what follows $h(\cdot)$ is a cryptographic hashing function, and $||$ denotes concatenation.

- A \rightarrow B: $(p, h(Z_A || n_A))$ [Alice chooses parity $p \in \{\text{even}, \text{odd}\}$, Z_A , nonce n_A , and sends info to Bob]
 B \rightarrow A: Z_B [Bob chooses Z_B and sends it to Alice; now Alice can compute $Z_A + Z_B$]
 A \rightarrow B: (Z_A, n_A) [Alice reveals her data, then Bob can check hash and compute $Z_A + Z_B$ too]

Q2.1 [4/30] Show that Alice can cheat so that she can manage to win all the games.

Q2.2 [4/30] Show how to fix the protocol (by adding/changing messages) so that it is made more secure wrt possible Alice misbehaviors. (Do not introduce 3rd parties)

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Q3: Authentication

- Q3.1 [3/30] Describe a scheme of authentication based on Needham-Schroeder that makes use of a trusted third party. Discuss the type of authentication (one/two way) and its robustness against replay attacks.
- Q3.2 [4/30] Inspired to the scheme above, design a scheme of mutual authentication between three parties, that makes use of a trusted fourth party.

Q4: Iptables

Describe at your best each the following iptables commands, clarifying whether they are meant to protect a network or a single host (explain why). In what follows eth0 is a network interface exposed to the extern, eth1 is a network interface to the LAN.

- Q4.1 [2/30] iptables -A FORWARD -p udp -i eth0 -o eth1 --dport 53 --sport 1024:65535 -j ACCEPT
- Q4.2 [2/30] iptables -A INPUT -p tcp -i eth1 --dport 22 --sport 1024:65535 -m state --state NEW -j ACCEPT
- Q4.3 [2/30] iptables -A OUTPUT -p tcp -i eth0 --dport 22 --sport 1024:65535 -m state --state NEW -j ACCEPT

Q5: Short questions on BLP (You have to show your ability to be concise)

Provide short answers to the following questions.

(Answers must be short! Using many lines reduces the quality of the answers)

- Q5.1 [2/30] Does BLP protect against Trojan horses? (Few lines)
- Q5.2 [2/30] Does BLP protect against covert channels? (Few lines)
- Q5.3 [2/30] Does BLP help in preserving the data integrity? (Few lines)

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