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Programme Code	Programme Title	Module Code
BN402	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Computing	COMP H4014
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Module Title	Network Security
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Instructions to candidates:

- 1. To ensure that you take the correct examination, please check the module and programme which you are following is listed in the table above.
- 2. Attempt ALL PARTS of Question 1 and any TWO other questions
- 3. Question 1 is worth 40 marks and all other questions are worth 30 marks each.

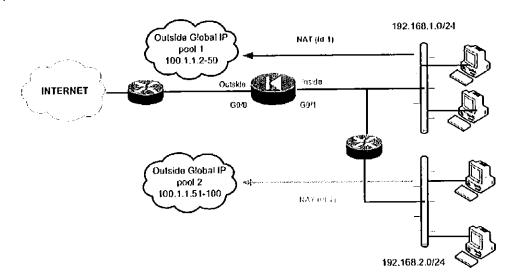
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Question 1 (Compulsory)

(a) Tabulate the primary differences between the RADIUS and TACACS+ protocols.

(8 marks)

(b)



Shown in the diagram above are two internal networks accessing the Internet through an ASA firewall. Configure *Dynamic NAT Translation* for these two internal networks.

(8 marks)

(c) Outline the primary features of a Stateful Packet-filtering Firewall.

(8 marks)

(d) Briefly outline the three functional components of the AAA architecture.

(8 marks)

(e) Describe, with the aid of a diagram, how a Digital Signature functions.

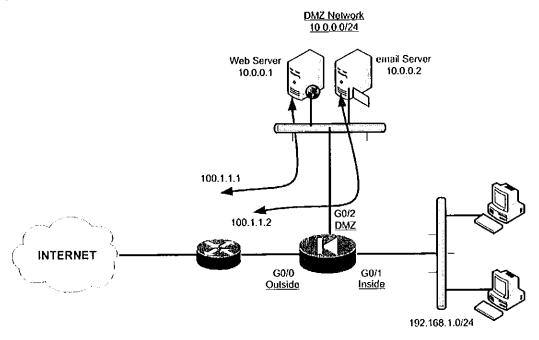
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Total: 40 marks

Answer any two questions from Questions 2, 3 and 4.

Question 2

(a)



The diagram above shows a Web Server and Email Server that needs to be accessible from the Internet through an ASA. Assume you have a whole Class C public address range of 100.1.1.0/24 available.

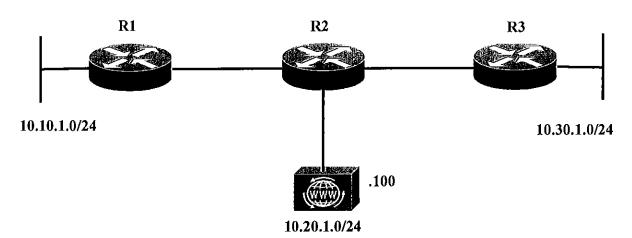
What configuration is needed to allow Internet access to both servers in the DMZ network.

(4 marks)

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Question 2 (Contd.)

(b)



Using the diagram above, implement *Access Control Lists* that accomplish the following:

- (i) Allow only HTTP and FTP traffic to the server on R2 from the 10.10.1.0/24 subnet.
- (ii) Allow all other traffic from the 10.10.1.0/24 subnet should be denied to the server on R2.
- (iii) Traffic from any other source to any other destination should be allowed.

(12 marks)

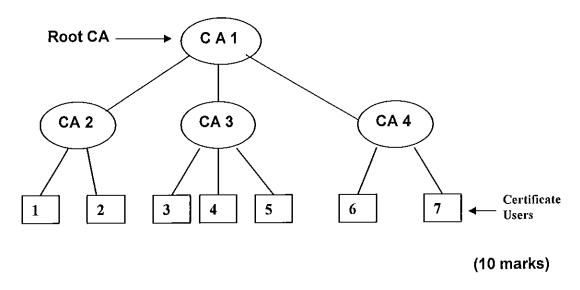
(c) Describe the operation of *Zone-Based Firewalls* regarding zone membership rules.

(14 marks)

Total: 30 marks

Question 3

(a) Outline the process of **User 2** getting and verifying the Digital Certificate of **User 6**.



(b) A *Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)* provides a framework upon which you can base security services, such as encryption, authentication, and nonrepudiation.

Describe the operation of *PKI* under the following headings:

- (i) The role of Certificate Authorities. Include in your answer reference to how an end user retrieves a CA certificate and how a certificate request for a Digital Certificate is made to the Certificate Authority.
- (ii) How an end user Alice ensures Data Integrity and Confidentiality in the exchange of data with another end user Bob.

Illustrate your answers with diagrams.

(20 marks)

Total: 30 marks

Question 4

Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS) form an integral part of network security solutions. Describe in detail their operation under the following headings:

(a)	Types of IDS Sensors	
		(8 marks)
(b)	Host-based IPS compared with Network-based IDS	
		(8 marks)
(c)	Types of Signature Alarms	
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(d)	IDS Best Practices	(6 marks)
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