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SEMESTER FINAL EXAMINATION

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

FULL MARKS: 150

CSE 4743: Cryptography and Network Security

Programmable calculators are not allowed. Do not write anything on the question paper.
Answer all 6 (six) questions. Marks of each question and corresponding CO and PO are written in the right margin with brackets.

1. a) Which security mechanism(s) is/are provided in each of the following cases? 5x2
(CO1)
(PO1, PO2)
- i. A school demands student identification and a password to let students log into the school server.
 - ii. A school server disconnects a student if she is logged into the system for more than two hours.
 - iii. A professor refuses to send students their grades by e-mail unless they provide student identification they were preassigned by the professor.
 - iv. A bank requires the customer's signature for a withdrawal.
 - v. A student uses Rabin-Karp hash algorithm to perform the string-matching task.
- b) Satoru obtained a cipher text "**EKF HUSF 66 C8L7U5**" and wants to decrypt it. He also found: 10
(CO2)
(PO1, PO2)
- i. the key, $k = 23$
 - ii. the plaintext was made of letters (a to z) and digits (0 to 9)
 - iii. the encryption algorithm was Multiplicative cipher
- Help Satoru by uncovering (decrypting) the secret message.
- c) The encryption key in a transposition cipher is (3, 2, 6, 1, 5, 4). Compute the decryption key. 5
(CO2)
(PO1, PO2)
2. a) Encrypt the message "**We live in an insecure world**" using Hill cipher with the following key. 10
(CO2)
(PO1, PO2)
- $$K = \begin{bmatrix} 03 & 02 \\ 05 & 07 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Use 'z' as the bogus character.
- b) Use Playfair Cipher to encipher the message "**mecha kawai des ne**". The secret key can be made by filling the first and part of the second row with the word "**PLAYFAIR**" and filling the rest of the matrix with the rest of the alphabet sequentially. (Use x as the bogus character) 8
(CO2)
(PO1, PO2)
- c) Modern Block Ciphers have two properties, Diffusion and Confusion. Show how these traits are upheld by the Product Ciphers. 7
(CO1)
(PO1, PO2)

3. a) "Symmetric-key exchange is better than Asymmetric-key exchange." – Analyse this statement with valid arguments and examples.

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(CO2)
(PO1, PO2)

- b) Amano wants to send Erika a message "**Section A is better**" using on RSA cryptosystems. In this system, the prime-product is n and the public key is e . (Ignore the spaces while encrypting)

7+7+1
(CO2)
(PO1, PO2)

- Given $n = 12091$ and $e = 3$. Encrypt the message and find the private key, d for Erika so that she can decrypt the message.
- Given $n = 100$ and $e = 3$. Encrypt the message and find the private key, d for Erika so that she can decrypt the message.
- Determine which cryptosystem works in a real-life scenario.

- c) Max argues that the hashing algorithm MD-5 is better than SHA-1. Lewis disagrees and states the opposite. However, both agree that these algorithms require padding of input bits even if they are a multiple of 512 bits. Identify why padding is required in this circumstance and elucidate the security goal associated with these hashing algorithms.

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(CO1)
(PO1, PO2)

4. a) The Needham-Schroder protocol is susceptible to the *Replay Attack* as depicted in Figure 1.

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(CO3)
(PO1, PO2)

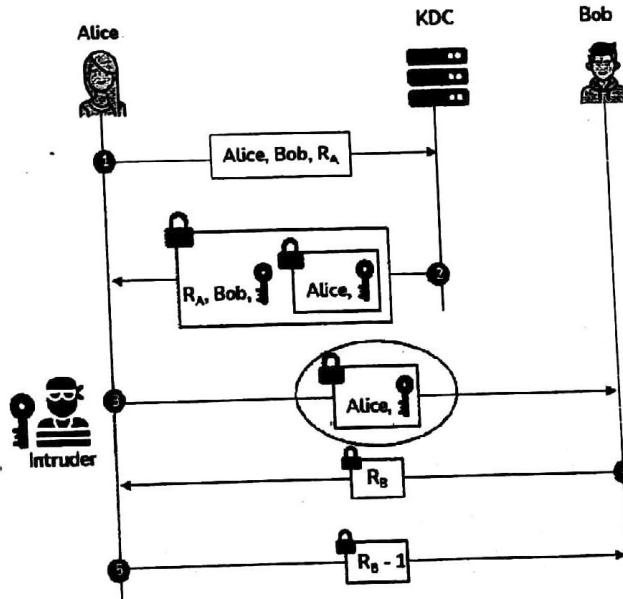


Figure 1: Replay Attack

Analyse the cause for this vulnerability. Identify the mechanism to circumvent this vulnerability with appropriate diagrams.

- b) Illustrate a variant of Kerberos with diagrams which adheres to the following guidelines and answer the following questions.

7.5x2
(CO3)
(PO1, PO2)

- The workstation generates a Ticket Granting Ticket (TGT). The TGT will be encrypted with the user's master key rather than the KDC's master key.
- Compare this design with standard Kerberos in terms of efficiency and security? What happens in each scheme if the user changes her password during a login session?

5. a) The IPSec IKE Phase – I exchanges keys via the Diffie-Hellman technique. However, this technique is susceptible to Man-in-the-Middle (MITM) attack as illustrated in Figure 2.

3+7
(CO3)
(PO1, PO2)

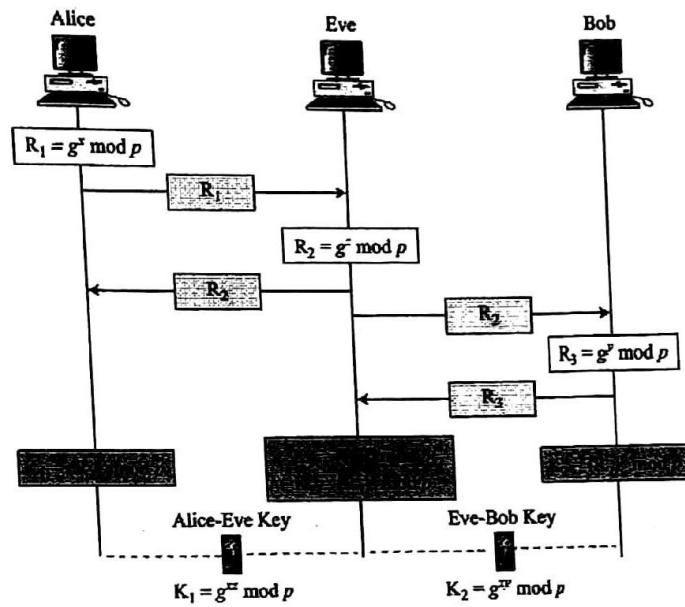


Figure 2: MITM Attack in IKE Phase – I

Now, answer the following questions.

- Analyse how the MITM attack can be thwarted.
 - Eve launches another attack by sending several half-keys to Bob (Server), masquerading herself as if these keys are from multiple sources. Determine with appropriate diagrams how this attack can be prevented.
- ✓b) IPSec provides a service against Replay Attacks as demonstrated in Figure 3.

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(CO3)
(PO1, PO2)

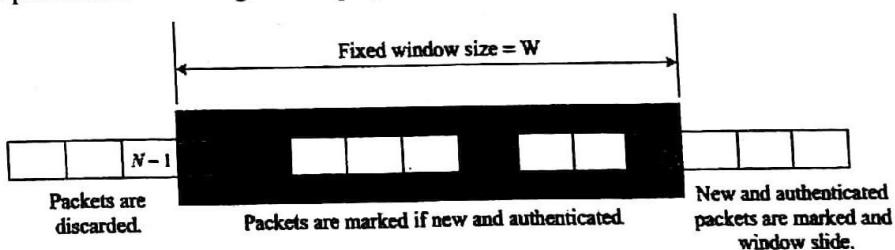


Figure 3: Replay Attack Protection

A host receives authenticated packets with the sequence numbers 181, 192, 224, 264, and 333. The replay window has a default size of 64, currently starting from sequence number 200.

What will the host do with the packets? What is the window span after each event?

- ✗c) Ayanokoji-kun wants to send a secret message to Karuizawa using the Cipher Feedback (CFB) operation. Determine the ciphertext for the first block if the original message is $(CE2F\ 7DF6\ B1A5\ 42C3)_{16}$ and the encrypted Initialization Vector (IV) is $(AD25\ EF96\ CFB3\ 4D7F)_{16}$. Consider each ciphertext block size is 8 bits.

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(CO2)
(PO1, PO2)

6. a) When a session is resumed with a new connection, SSL does not require the full handshaking process. Examine and illustrate the messages that need to be exchanged in a partial handshaking. Use diagrams, if necessary. 7
(CO3)
(PO1, PO2)
- b) Compare and contrast the protocols defined in SSL and TLS. Deduce the goals of each protocol in SSL and TLS. 8
(CO3)
- c) Security at the Transport layer employs multiple key-exchange algorithms. Answer the following questions.
i. Assess the key exchange algorithms in SSL/TLS and judge which algorithms are more or less immune to malicious attacks.
ii. "If an adversary reverse-engineers to find the encryption key, then the entire client-server connection is compromised" – Justify this statement. 5x2
(CO3)
(PO1, PO2)