IS53012B/A Computer Security

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Part I

Workshop

Outline

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- Following John's Cryptosystem (Week 2 Homework), demonstrate
 - how the plaintext m = 1011 can be delivered from Alice to Bob without sharing a private key.
 - **a** how Charlie can get the plaintext m = 1011 by monitoring the communication traffic.
- Let the password seed be 1101 which is known by both Alice and Bob.
 - Demonstrate how Alice and Bob can independently generate an identical new random password of up to 15 bits without sending the new password.
 - What are the risks?
- Alice has 108 Bob-friends and applies private-key encryption techniques. How many keys would Alice need to privately communicate with her Bob-friends? How many keys would be necessary for the communication system?
- Continue to work on the coursework.