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CNS Practical Details
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Practical 7:

Problem Statement: Design and implement a secure and efficient implementation of the RC4 stream cipher method.

(Reference: “Cryptography & Network Security” e-book, by Forouzan, Pg no. 264 onwards).

Algorithm 8.6 Encryption algorithm for **RC4**

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RC4 Encryption (K)
{
    // Creation of initial state and key bytes
    for (i = 0 to 255)
    {
        S[i] ← i
        K[i] ← Key [i mod KeyLength]
    }
    // Permuting state bytes based on values of key bytes
    j ← 0
    for (i = 0 to 255)
    {
        j ← (j + S[i] + K[i]) mod 256
        swap (S[i] , S[j])
    }
    // Continuously permuting state bytes, generating keys, and encrypting
    i ← 0
    j ← 0
    while (more byte to encrypt)
    {
        i ← (i + 1) mod 256
        j ← (j + S[i]) mod 256
        swap (S [i] , S[j])
        k ← S [(S[i] + S[j]) mod 256]
        // Key is ready, encrypt
        input P
        C ← P ⊕ k
        output C
    }
}
```

Example to be executed:

1. Let $S = [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7]$, $PT = [1,2,2,2]$ and $Key = [5,1,0,1]$. Perform encryption and decryption using RC4 method.
2. Class example.

Note the following regarding practical record:

1. For Theory, only related Algorithms or Pseudocodes should be written for the same.
2. Code printout should be attached.
3. Flowchart for the same should be drawn.
4. Student need to write RC4 analysis as conclusion.