

Data Transmission

2.3 Symmetric and asymmetric encryption

Marking Scheme

Q1)

(a) Any **one** from:

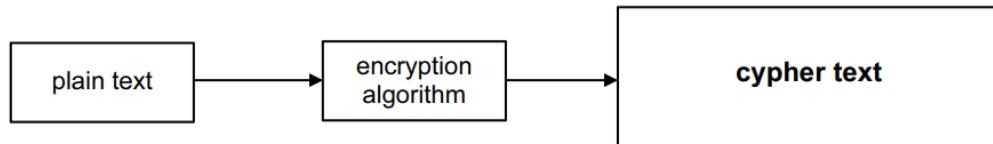
- jumbling up/scrambling characters so that message makes no sense
- requires an encryption key to encrypt data
- need decryption key to decipher encrypted message

[1]

(b) Uses the same key to encrypt and decrypt message

[1]

(c) 1 mark for correct name in box



[1]

Q2)

symmetric encryption

encryption key

plain text

encryption algorithm

cypher text

[5]

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	Any four from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encryption key is used - Encryption algorithm is used - Encryption key / algorithm is applied to plain text - ... to convert it into cypher text - Same key is used to encrypt and decrypt the text 	4
3(b)	Any three from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Firewall - Password - Proxy server - Physical methods (by example e.g. CCTV, Locks) - Access rights - <u>Asymmetric</u> encryption - Disconnect from network 	3

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4(a)	∞ a v m v e q n d i z m h (2 marks, 1 for each correct word)	2																										
4(b)	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: middle;"> <tr><td>v</td><td>w</td><td>x</td><td>y</td><td>z</td><td>a</td><td>b</td><td>c</td><td>d</td><td>e</td><td>f</td><td>g</td><td>h</td><td>i</td><td>j</td><td>k</td><td>l</td><td>m</td><td>n</td><td>o</td><td>p</td><td>q</td><td>r</td><td>s</td><td>t</td><td>u</td></tr> </table> <p>2 marks ∞ shift right ∞ all characters shifted five places</p>	v	w	x	y	z	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	2
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4(c)	∞ the first cypher ∞ cannot deduce rest of cypher having identified some characters/more random substitution	2																										

Q5)

Question	Answer	Marks
	One mark for each correct term in the correct place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plain text • cipher text • public key • private key 	4

Q6)

(c)(i)	Data is encrypted and decrypted using the same key (1 mark) Any three from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain text is encrypted into cipher text // cipher text is decrypted into plain text • Data is encrypted using an algorithm ... • ... that uses a key • The key can be generated using an algorithm • The key is transmitted to the receiver 	4
(c)(ii)	Any one from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To help keep the data secure • To make the data meaningless 	1