

**M.Sc. MATHEMATICS WITH APPLICATIONS  
IN COMPUTER SCIENCE**

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**Term-End Examination**

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**MMTE-006 : CRYPTOGRAPHY**

*Time : 2 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 50*

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*Note : Answer any five out of six questions. Calculators are not allowed.*

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1. (a) Use the simple columnar transformation of width five to encrypt the following text : 4  
'SLINGS AND ARROWS OF OUTRAGEOUS FORTUNE'.  
Is the columnar transformation a transposition cipher or a substitution cipher ? Justify your answer.
- (b) Explain the design criterion behind the DES as published by the IBM. 3
- (c) Explain the RSA Digital Signature Scheme. 3
2. (a) Explain the Rabin-Miller pseudo-primality test. 5

- (b) Carry out one round of encryption of the text 110011111001 using the toy block cipher with the key 110111001. The S-boxes are 5

$$S_1 \begin{bmatrix} 101 & 010 & 001 & 110 & 011 & 100 & 111 & 000 \\ 001 & 100 & 110 & 010 & 000 & 111 & 101 & 011 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_2 \begin{bmatrix} 100 & 000 & 110 & 101 & 111 & 001 & 011 & 010 \\ 101 & 011 & 000 & 111 & 110 & 010 & 001 & 000 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. (a) Describe the Poker test for checking whether a given sequence of bits is pseudo random or not. Apply the test to the following sequence : 5

110111011011001111010111010000101100001001100101

[ You may like to use the following values :

$$\chi_{0.05,1}^2 = 3.84146, \quad \chi_{0.05,2}^2 = 5.99146,$$

$$\chi_{0.05,3}^2 = 7.81473, \quad \chi_{0.05,4}^2 = 9.48773]$$

- (b) Prove that every carmichael number has at least three prime factors. 3
- (c) Solve the equation  $2^x \equiv 9 \pmod{13}$ . 2

4. (a) The following cipher text was encrypted using an affine cipher : 'CRWWZ'. The plain text starts HA. Decrypt the message. 4
- (b) Given the initial sequence 101 001 101, find the recurrence that generates it. 4
- (c) Describe the Blum-Blum-Shut generator for generating pseudo random bits. 2
5. (a) Encrypt the text 'ATTACK POSTPONED UNTIL TWO AM' using the following permutation cipher : 3
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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 3 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
- (b) Describe the Davies-Meyer method for constructing a compression from a block cipher with a diagram. 3
- (c) Construct the finite field  $F_8$  with the addition table. You need not give the multiplication table. 4
6. (a) Compute  $7^{98} \bmod 40$  using repeated squaring algorithm. 4
- (b) Explain how a byte can be regarded as element of  $F_2[x]/\langle g(x) \rangle$  where  $g(x)$  is an irreducible polynomial in  $F_2[x]$ . Taking  $g(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$  and regarding 11000010 and 11100101 as elements of  $F_2[x]/\langle g(x) \rangle$ , multiply them. 6