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MMTE-006 : CRYPTOGRAPHY

Time : 2 hours *Maximum Marks : 50*

Note : *Question no. **6** is **compulsory**. Answer any **four** questions from questions no. 1 to 5. Only non-programmable calculators are allowed.*

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1. (a) Define Euler's Phi function and find $\phi(80)$. *2*

(b) Find $5^{24} \pmod 8$ using the repeated squaring algorithm. *4*

(c) Describe the Merkle-Damgård method and the Davies-Meyer method. Also explain how these methods can be used to construct cryptographic hash functions. *4*

2. (a) Explain the key expansion process in AES-128. *4*

(b) Encrypt the plain text

"INDIANEEDSWOMENLIKEYOUTOWINYYY"

using the permutation cipher with 53124 as the key. *3*

(c) Compute the discrete logarithm and the discrete antilogarithm to the base 3 in $\mathbf{Z}_{17}^*$. 3

3. (a) Explain the key-scheduling algorithm of the RC4 cipher along with its pseudocode. 5

(b) Use the Miller-Rabin test to check whether 1889 is composite or not. 5

4. (a) Decrypt the ciphertext C = 8, which is obtained by the RSA system with public key (e, n) = (13, 33). 5

(b) Find the inverse of $(1 + x^2)$ in $R = \mathbf{F}_2[x] / < 1 + x + x^4 >$. Also, is $1 + x + x^4$ invertible in R ? Give reasons for your answer. 5

5. (a) Find the result of multiplying

$f(x) = 1 + x + x^2 + x^4 + x^6$ with

$g(x) = 1 + x + x^4$

mod $m(x) = 1 + x + x^3 + x^4 + x^8$ in $\mathbf{F}_2[x]$. 4

(b) Solve the equation $10^x \equiv 52 \pmod{59}$ using the Baby-Step Giant-Step algorithm. 6

6. Which of the following statements are *True*, and which are *False* ? Give reasons for your answers. *10*

(a) The symmetric key cryptosystems have no drawbacks.

(b) There is no field with characteristic 9.

(c) Diffusion is achieved by using an S-box in DES.

(d) 257 is a strong prime.

(e) Given a sequence of bits, the frequency test suffices to check the randomness of the sequence.