

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

**M.Sc. (MACS)**

**Term-End Examination**

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**MMTE-006 : CRYPTOGRAPHY**

*Time : 2 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 50*

*Note : Question no. 1 is compulsory. Answer any four  
from questions no. 2 to 6.*

1. Which of the following statements are *true*, and which are *false* ? Justify your answers.  $5 \times 2 = 10$
- (a) IP in DES does not contribute to security.
  - (b) A block cipher in CTR mode of operation can be used as a stream cipher.
  - (c) An affine cipher is a special case of a simple substitution cipher.
  - (d) The probability of success in finding the second pre-image of a hash is higher than that of finding a collision for the hash.
  - (e) Any finite field is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , for some prime  $p$ .

2. (a) Generate the first 5 terms of the Blum-Blum-Shub sequence, given  $p = 19$ ,  $q = 23$  and initial seed = 15. 4
- (b) Is  $\mathbb{F}_2[x] / (x^4 + x^2 + 1)$  a field? Why, or why not? 2
- (c) Suppose Bano chooses  $p = 109$ . Check that 6 is a primitive root modulo 109. Bano chooses the secret value  $x = 40$  and public key (109, 6, 7). Bano receives the pair (96, 45) from Asha. Find the message. 4
3. (a) (i) Describe the pseudo-random generation algorithm of RC4.
- (ii) Starting from state  $S$ , such that  $S[i] = 255-i$ , run PRGA for 3 steps. 6
- (b) Decrypt the following affine cipher. You are given information that the message starts with the word GOOD 4
- NBBYR BQWXW N.
4. (a) If  $f(x) = x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$  and  $g(x) = x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$  are polynomials in  $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ , use the extended Euclidean algorithm to find  $p(x)$  and  $q(x)$  in  $\mathbb{Q}[x]$  such that  $p(x)f(x) + q(x)g(x) = h(x)$ , where  $h(x)$  is the gcd of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ . 6

- (b) Explain the Birthday Paradox. Calculate the probability of two persons from a group of 5 being born on the same day of the week. 4

5. (a) (i) Describe the toy block cipher with a block diagram for 1 round.  
 (ii) Decrypt the first round toy cipher 010110110111 with the following parameters : 6

$$\text{key} = 110110111$$

S-box

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

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

- (b) Compute  $5^{13} \pmod{43}$  using the repeated squaring algorithm. 4
6. (a) Suppose Asha wants to send the message  $h(\mathcal{M}) = 25$  to Bano. She wants to sign the message using the RSA signature scheme, with parameters  $n = 77$ ,  $e = 13$ ,  $d = 37$ .
- (i) Find the signature of the message.
- (ii) What information should Bano receive to be able to verify the signature? Further, give the procedure for verifying Asha's signature. 6
- (b) Find the multiplicative inverse of  $x^7 + x^3 + 1$  in  $\mathbb{F}_2[x] / \langle x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1 \rangle$ . 4