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Computer Technology

XCS 593 — NETWORK SECURITY

(Common to 5 Year M.Sc. Software Engineering/ M.Sc. Information Technology)

(Regulation 2003)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer ALL questions.

PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

1. What is a worm? What is the difference between a worm and a virus?
2. What is Avalanche Effect?
3. Differentiate between weak and strong collision resistance.
4. Why ECC is considered to be better than RSA?
5. How does a server know user's password?
6. What are the common techniques used to protect a password file?
7. What is IP address spoofing?
8. Why does an ESP include a padding field?
9. What is a DoS attack?
10. What are honey pots?

PART B — (5 × 16 = 80 marks)

11. (a) Briefly explain the DES algorithm. (16)

Or

- (b) (i) Discuss the differences between conventional and Public-key encryption. (8)
- (ii) Discuss with diagram the OFB and CFB Block cipher modes of operation. (8)

12. (a) (i) List the requirements that public key cryptosystems should fulfill to be a secure algorithm? (6)
- (ii) Explain the Digital Signature algorithm with the functions of signing and verifying. (10)

Or

- (b) (i) Perform the encryption and decryption using RSA algorithm for the following: (8)
- (1). $p = 17; q = 11; e = 7; M = 88$
- (2) $p = 17; q = 31; e = 7; M = 2$
- (ii) Describe the possible approaches to attack the RSA algorithm. (8)
13. (a) Briefly explain the Address-Based Authentication. (16)

Or

- (b) (i) Discuss the need for authentication protocols to establish a session key during authentication. (8)
- (ii) How does key distribution work with multiple KDC domains? (8)
14. (a) Explain how the Kerberos provide a mechanism for supporting Interrealm authentication. (16)

Or

- (b) Explain the Transport and Tunnel Mode operations in IPSec with IP diagram. (16)
15. (a) (i) What type of firewall is used when system administrator trusts internal users? (6)
- (ii) Discuss the difference between a packet filter and an application level gateway. (6)
- (iii) Explain HTTP Digest Authentication. (4)

Or

- (b) (i) List the different security services needed for an Electronic Mail. (8)
- (ii) How will you track users based on Cookies? (8)