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First Semester M.Tech. Degree Examination, February 2013
Information Security

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

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 - a. Compare top-down and bottom-up approach to implement security. (04 Marks)
 - b. Define the following keyterms:
 - i) Hacking
 - ii) Security blueprint
 - iii) Threats
 - iv) Vulnerability. (04 Marks)
 - c. What are the types of security policies? Where would each be used? (07 Marks)
 - d. What are the three components of the C.I.A triangle? What are they used for? (05 Marks)
- 2
 - a. Describe firewall architectures. (07 Marks)
 - b. What are honey pots, honey net and padded cell systems? (05 Marks)
 - c. Define the following terms:
 - i) Signature based IDS
 - ii) Statistical anomaly based IDS
 - iii) Network based IDS
 - iv) Host based IDS. (04 Marks)
 - d. What is RADIUS? What advantage does it have over TACACS? (04 Marks)
- 3
 - a. What is the purpose of S-boxes in DES? (04 Marks)
 - b. Summarize the various types of cryptanalytic attacks based on the amount of information known to the cryptanalyst. (04 Marks)
 - c. Compare stream cipher and block cipher. (04 Marks)
 - d. Explain block cipher modes of operation. (08 Marks)
- 4
 - a. Compare conventional encryption and public key encryption. (04 Marks)
 - b. Write the possible approaches to attack the RSA algorithm. (03 Marks)
 - c. Describe the Diffie-Hellman key exchange algorithm. (10 Marks)
 - d. What are the applications for public – key cryptosystem? (03 Marks)
- 5
 - a. With a neat diagram illustrate the overall operation of HMAC. (10 Marks)
 - b. What is the purpose of X.509? (03 Marks)
 - c. Write the summary of notations used in PGP. (03 Marks)
 - d. Draw the general format of the PGP message and explain in brief. (04 Marks)
- 6
 - a. Draw the format of encapsulating security payload [ESP] and explain in brief. (04 Marks)
 - b. List out and explain the key features of secure electronic transaction [SET]. (08 Marks)
 - c. Write the services provided by IP security. (04 Marks)
 - d. With a neat diagram, explain SSL record protocol operation. (04 Marks)

- 7 a. With a neat diagram, explain SSL handshake protocol. (08 Marks)
b. What is S/MIME? Explain in brief. (04 Marks)
c. Compare transport mode and tunnel mode functionality in IP security. (04 Marks)
d. Write a summary of Kerberos version 4 message exchange. (04 Marks)
- 8 Write short notes on:
a. RSA algorithm
b. Digital signature
c. Packet-filtering router
d. Passive and active security attacks. (20 Marks)

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