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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:  
BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(BTIT 11M)

**EIT 4414: CRYPTOGRAPHY & NETWORK SECURITY**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

**SERIES: AUGUST 2013**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**Instructions to Candidates:**

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

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**Question One (Compulsory)**

- a) Using the Rail-fence cipher, encrypt the message.  
THE QUICK BROWN FOX JUMPS OVER THE LAZY DOG (2 marks)
- b) Explain the following objectives of computer security:
- (i) Availability
  - (ii) Confidentiality
  - (iii) Integrity
  - (iv) Authenticity
  - (v) Non-repudiation (10 marks)
- c) Explain the **THREE** services provided by the OSI security architecture. (6 marks)

- d) State the format's theorem (2 marks)
- e) Briefly explain the following terms:
- (i) Enciphering
  - (ii) Symmetric algorithm
  - (iii) Digital signature
  - (iv) Vulnerability
  - (v) Cryptosystem (10 marks)

### Question Two

- a) Discuss any **FOUR** properties of digital signatures. (4 marks)
- b) There are several general means of authenticating a user's identify which can be used alone or in combination. Discuss any **FOUR** of them giving suitable examples. (8 marks)
- c) (i) Explain the term "IP Security" (2 marks)  
 (ii) Discuss any **FOUR** benefits of IP security (8 marks)

### Question Three

- a) Using Caesar Cipher, decrypt the message:  
 PHHW PH DIWHU WKH WRJD SDUWB (4 marks)
- b) Explain the difference between the following terms:
- (i) "cryptography" and "steganography"
  - (ii) "stream cipher" and "block cipher" (8 marks)
- c) With an aid of an appropriate diagram, discuss:
- (i) Public key encryption
  - (ii) Private key encryption (8 marks)

### Question Four

- a) Virtually in all distributed environment, electronic mail is the most heavily used network-based application. Hence there is demand for authentication and confidentiality services.
- (i) Explain the security enhancement schemes
  - (ii) "Pretty-Good Privacy (PGP)"
  - (iii) Secure/Multipurpose Internet Mail Extension (SMIME) Security (4 marks)
- b) Discuss any **FIVE** reasons for the PGP'S wide use and explosive growth. (10 marks)
- c) Explain the following concepts relating to web security.
- (i) Secure Socket Layer (SSL)
  - (ii) Transport Layer Security (TLS)
  - (iii) Secure Shell (SSH) (6 Marks)

### Question Five

- a) As a system administrator of TUM, discuss any **FOUR** attacks that may modify data or disrupt the system **(8 marks)**
- b) Explain the difference between the following terms:
- (i) “Passive Attack” and “Active Attack”
  - (ii) “Masquerader” and “Misfeasor”
  - (iii) “Intrusion Deletion System” and “Firewall”
- (12 marks)**