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BENGALURU

Mid - Term Examinations – October 2025

Date: 07-10-2025

Time: 09.30am to 11.00am

School: SOCSE	Program: B. Tech	
Course Code: CBD2504	Course Name: Data Security and Cryptography	
Semester: V	Max Marks: 50	Weightage: 25%

CO - Levels	CO1	CO2	CO3	CO4
Marks	24	26		

Instructions:

- (i) *Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.*
- (ii) *Do not write anything on the question paper other than roll number.*

Part A

Answer ALL the Questions. Each question carries 2marks.

5Q x 2M=10M

1	Differentiate between Plaintext and Ciphertext.	2 Marks	L2	CO1
2	Define Brute Force attack?	2 Marks	L1	CO1
3	List the primary difference between a stream cipher and a block cipher?	2 Marks	L1	CO2
4	Name the two methods suggested by Shannon to frustrate statistical cryptanalysis.	2 Marks	L1	CO2
5	State the purpose of the permutation stage in a Feistel cipher?	2 Marks	L1	CO2

Part B

Answer the Questions.

Total Marks 40M

6.	a.	Demonstrate Classical Substitution Ciphers and their cryptanalysis.	10 Marks	L3	CO 1
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Or

7.	a.	Decrypt the following cipher text using Hill Cipher. Key: $\begin{pmatrix} H & I \\ L & L \end{pmatrix}$ Ciphertext: FKMFIQ	10 Marks	L3	CO 1
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8.	a.	a) Check the properties of modular arithmetic based on $11 \bmod 8 = 3$; $15 \bmod 8 = 7$ b) Solve $11^7 \bmod 13$	10 Marks	L3	CO 1
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Or

9.	a.	a) Encrypt the following text using the PLAYFAIR CIPHER. Keyword: MODEL Plaintext: LETTER b) Encrypt the following text using the Rail Fence cipher $d = 3$ Plaintext: INFORMATION SECURITY IS ESSENTIAL IN THE DIGITAL AGE TO PROTECT DATA	10 Marks	L3	CO 1
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10.	a.	Perform RSA encryption and decryption for the given values: $p = 3$, $q = 7$, $e = 5$, $M = 10$	10 Marks	L3	CO 2
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Or

11.	a.	Demonstrate the concept of a primitive root in the context of Diffie-Hellman.	10 Marks	L3	CO 2
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12.	a.	Demonstrate the Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange protocol with its steps and the secret key calculation.	10 Marks	L3	CO 2
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Or

13.	a.	Demonstrate the Feistel Cipher structure in detail with a diagram.	10 Marks	L3	CO 2
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