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First exam

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Which of the following is a block cipher?

DES

3-DES

AES

All of the above ✓

None of the above

Message authentication provides mainly:

Confidentiality ~~✓~~

Integrity ✓

Availability

All of the above

Ali and Ahmad are friends. Ali sends a signed message to Ahmad.

Describe the operations that Ali has undertaken to do that.

How many keys are used in creating a digital envelope? What are they? What is the purpose of each key?

Active attacks can harm:

Confidentiality

Integrity

Availability

All of the above ✓

None of the above

The most commonly used symmetric encryption is:

- DES
- 3-DES
- AES ✓
- SES

Ali and Ahmad are friends. Ali sends a signed message to Ahmad.

Describe the operations that Ahmad has to undertake to authenticate the source of the message.

What are the main components of a digital certificate?

- ② 1) key information
- 2) User ID
- 3) Certificate Authority information

What happens first, authorization or authentication?

- Authorization
- Authentication ✓
- Authorization and authentication are the same
- None of the mentioned

Which of the following does authorization aim to accomplish?

- Restrict what operations/data the user can access ✓
- Determine if the user is an attacker
- Flag the user if he/she misbehaves
- Determine who the user is
- None of the above

Which of the following is an authentication method?

- Secret question
- Biometric
- Password
- SMS code
- All of the above ✓

Assume password authentication.

Describe the protocol of a secure remote log-in.

- ② 1) the user sends a request to the host
- 2) the host replies with random number  $r$ ,  $h(c)$  and  $f(c)$
- 3) then the user assigns his password with the hash function and  $f(c) \rightarrow f(r, h(P'))$
- ∴ the host compares the received  $f(r, h(P'))$  with the  $f(r, h(P))$  stored.

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Why is one-time password safe?

It is easy to generate

It cannot be shared

It is different for every access ✓

It is a complex encrypted password

Which of the following does authentication aim to accomplish?

Restrict what operations/data the user can access

Determine if the user is an attacker

Flag the user if he/she misbehaves

Determine who the user is ✓

None of the above

In role-based access control, each user is assigned one or more roles, and the roles determine which parts of the system the user is allowed to access.

True ✓

False

Stream cipher encryption encrypts data:

One bit at a time

One byte at a time

One block at a time

Only a and b

All of the above

Which of the following cannot be used in digital signatures?

RSA

Diffie-Hell man ✓

DSS

Elliptic Curve

Digital signature can be achieved by:

Stream cipher

Block cipher

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Symmetric encryption  
Public key encryption ✓

Public Key encryption is stronger than symmetric key encryption

True

**False**

Hashing provides:

- Data integrity ✓
- Data confidentiality
- Data availability
- All of the above
- None of the above

Encryption provides:

- Data integrity
- Data confidentiality
- Data availability
- All of the above ✗
- None of the above

For the next two questions assume statistical biometric authentication method.

Description: The profiles of the biometric characteristic indicate that the average matching value of the genuine user is less than the average matching value of the imposter with some overlap of the probability density function

The effect of increasing the decision threshold on the false match possibility will:

- Increase**
- Decrease
- Does not change
- None of the above

The effect of increasing the decision threshold on the false non-match possibility will:

- Increase
- Decrease**
- Does not change
- None of the above

Biometric authentication system can be used for verification and/or identification.

What is the aim of each procedure?

② Identification → identify if the user is enrolled in the system (user identified or not)

Verification → verify that the given ID from the user is related to his biometric access type (takes the ID and biometric as inputs and compares them)