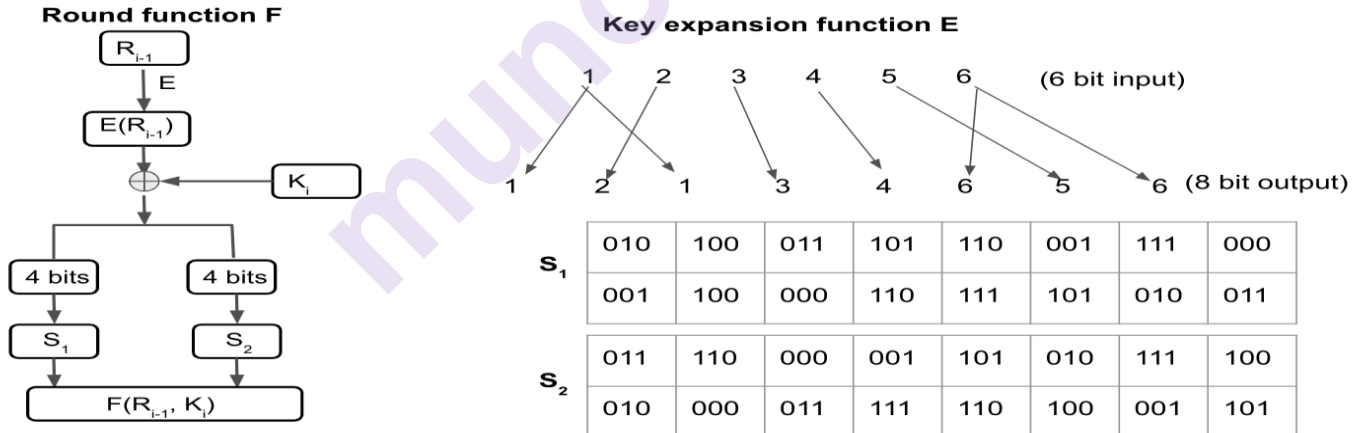


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Attempt any four questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Show that the polynomial $f(x) = 3x^3 + 2x + 1$ has no zeros in \mathbb{Z}_5 . Is f irreducible over \mathbb{Z}_5 (answer with justification)? Use an irreducible factor of f to construct a finite field of order 5^n for some n . What are the possible values of n ? Find the multiplicative inverse of $2x^2 + 4x + 3$ in the field you have constructed.
2. In order to obtain confidentiality, why does the PGP use a symmetric key block cipher to encrypt the content of the email and not a public key encryption? Discuss the role of compression of the message in PGP. Explain why it is not wise to compress the message before putting the digital signature?
3. Consider a cryptosystem based on the Feistel structure, where plaintext m is divided into two equal parts say $m = L_0R_0$ and L_iR_i are generated in various rounds during the encryption process as follows:

$$L_i = \text{Shift}(R_{i-1}) \text{ and } R_i = F(R_{i-1}) \oplus L_{i-1}, \text{ where } F \text{ is the round function defined as:}$$



E is a key expansion function that takes 6-bit input and produces 8-bit output. For example $E(100101) = 10101101$. S_i are S-boxes that take 4-bit input and produce 3-bit output. The first bit of the input gives the row number and the last three bits of the input give the column number. For example, to calculate $S_1(0101)$, we will take the cell value at 0th row and 5th column of S_1 , so $S_1(0101) = 001$. Similarly $S_1(1010) = 000$ (cell value at 1st row and 2nd column).

The Shift function circular shifts the bits to two places towards the left. For example $\text{Shift}(100101) = 010110$.

Suppose the plaintext $m = 101101001101$ (12 bits) and the first two rounds keys are $K_1 = 10011010$ and $K_2 = 01101101$. Perform two iterations of the above-described encryption scheme.

4. Describe the main components and working of a Public Key cryptosystem (PKC). Describe the RSA cryptosystem and identify the main components, as that of a PKC. Suppose under the RSA cryptosystem, Alice chooses $p = 13, q = 17$ and her public key is 77. Suppose she received the ciphertext $c = 5$ from Bob. Find the corresponding plaintext.

5. Consider the following Key exchange protocol known as Diffie Hellman Key exchange between User U and Sever S:
 - Step I: U and S choose a cyclic group $G = Z_q^*$ or $U(q)$, where q is prime and P be a generator of G .
 - Step II: U chooses secret value $\alpha < q$ and sends P^α to S.
 - Step III: S chooses secret value β and sends P^β to U.
 - Step IV: U computes $(P^\beta)^\alpha = P^{\alpha\beta}$.
 - Step V: S calculates $(P^\alpha)^\beta = P^{\alpha\beta}$. Thus, U and S have same shared secret key $P^{\alpha\beta}$.

Suppose $q = 11$, generator $P = 5$, U and S secret keys are $\alpha = 3, \beta = 5$ respectively. Find the secret key shared by U and S. Also, find public keys of U and S.

6. Let q be a prime and let α be an integer such that q does not divide α . Let $h(x) = \alpha^x \pmod{q}$. Explain why $h(x)$ not a good cryptographic hash function. Again let $m = p \cdot q$ be the product of two distinct large primes and let $h(x) = x^2 \pmod{m}$. Why is h preimage resistant?