

## THIS EXAM IS FOR 4 CREDITS

Each problem is worth 6 points. This is a 24 point exam.

1. (a) Draw and describe a Feistel network. Explain its use in block cipher design. Name one block cipher that uses this construction.  
(b) Draw and describe a Substitution-Permutation network. Explain its use in block cipher design. Name one block cipher that uses this construction.  
(c) Draw and describe the Merkle-Damgård construction of a hash function. Name one hash function that uses this construction.
2. Let  $f(x) = x^4 + x + 1$  be the feedback polynomial of an LFSR.
  - (a) Draw a block diagram of the LFSR.
  - (b) What are the cycles (periods) of the sequences generated by this LFSR?
3. Consider the RSA cryptosystem with modulus  $n = 37 \cdot 47 = 1739$ .
  - (a) Compute the private decryption exponent  $d$  using public encryption exponent  $e = 257$ .
  - (b) Encrypt the message  $m = 38$ .
4. Consider Diffie-Hellman key exchange in  $\mathbb{F}_2[x]/(x^4 + x + 1)$  with generator  $g = x + 1$ . Alice's secret exponent is  $a = 7$  and Bob's secret exponent  $b = 9$ . Compute the shared key  $K$ .

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