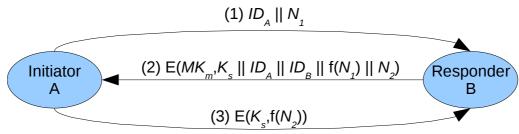
CSS322 – Quiz 3

Question 1 [5 marks]

Below is an example de-centralised key distribution protocol that may be used. MK_m is the master key shared between two nodes A and B (this sharing must be done manually/physically), and K_s is the session key.



- a) How many master keys are needed in a network using this key distribution protocol if there are 10 nodes in the network? [2 marks]
- b) If a KDC (using the protocol covered in the lecture) was used instead of the above decentralised protocol, how many master keys would be needed in the network? [1.5 marks]
- c) What is the benefit of using the de-centralised protocol compared to simply using the physically exchanged master keys for encrypting the session data? [1.5 marks]

Question 2 [1.5 marks]

Consider the following algorithms/concepts: RC4, Nonce, Linear Congruential Generator. Which *cannot* be used to generate random numbers? If more than one cannot be used, you must write both; if all of them can be used, then write "all appropriate".

Question 3 [3.5 marks]

Calculate the following (write answer in space provided, show any calculations below, you cannot use a calculator):

a) Φ(21) Answer: _____

b) Φ(23)

c) 3²⁴ mod 25

Answer: _____

Answer: _____