GDAŃSK UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

Subject card

Subject name and code	Cryptography, PG_00060224		
Field of study	Technical Physics		
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026	Academic year of realisation of subject	2028/2029
Education level	first-cycle studies	Subject group	Optional subject group Subject group related to scientific research in the field of study
Mode of study	Full-time studies	Mode of delivery	at the university
Year of study	3	Language of instruction	Polish
Semester of study	5	ECTS credits	4.0
Learning profile	general academic profile	Assessment form	assessment
Conducting unit	Division of Theoretical Physics and Quantum Informaton -> Institute of Physics and Applied Computer Science -> Faculty of Applied Physics and Mathematics -> Faculties of Gdańsk University of Technology		
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr inż. Marcin Nowakowski	
	Teachers		

Lesson types

Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
Number of study hours	30.0	0.0	30.0	0.0	0.0	60

E-learning hours included: 0.0

Learning activity and number of study hours

Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan	Participation in consultation hours	Self-study	SUM
Number of study hours	60	5.0	35.0	100

Subject objectives

The aim of this course is to acquaint students with the key concepts of modern cryptographic protocols, methods of information theory and coding theory applicable in cryptography and their applications in information processing.

Learning outcomes

Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
[K6_K01] demonstrates readiness for continuous learning and updating knowledge in physics and related fields, critically evaluating it and recognising its importance in solving practical and theoretical problems.	Understands the need for lifelong learning. Can apply cryptographic algorithms to selected computer science problems.	[SK5] Assessment of ability to solve problems that arise in practice
[K6_U02] is able to analyse and solve complex and non-standard scientific and technical problems using appropriate analytical, computational, numerical, simulation or experimental methods.	Has basic knowledge of the methodology and programming techniques for selected cryptologic issues	[SU2] Assessment of ability to analyse information
[K6_U03] possesses programming skills in a selected language and the ability to use selected software packages.	Has basic knowledge in the field of cryptographic algorithms classification.	[SU1] Assessment of task fulfilment
[K6_W05] has knowledge of programming methodologies and techniques, as well as the use of selected IT tools in physics and engineering.	Is able to analyze and solve simple technical problems in the area of cryptographic schemes	[SW1] Assessment of factual knowledge

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<tr><td>Subject contents</td><td>Course content – lecture
Symmetric cryptology: text cryptography: substitution algorithms. The quality of the cryptographic algorithm. Statistical cryptanalysis. Algorithms. Enigma: operation and cryptanalysis. Information theory and coding theory. Entrust quantities. Randomness. Linear codes.
Block algorithms. DES algorithm. Algorithm's modes of operation. The quality of the DES algorithm. Cryptanalysis: differential and linear. Designing block algorithms, Feistel network. Combining block algorithms (TDES). Other block algorithms. Rijndael algorithm. Cryptographic protocols using symmetrical algorithms.
Stream algorithms. Algorithm A5 (GSM). Pseudo-random strings. Analysis of stream ciphers. Asymmetric cryptography: key management. Diffie-Hellman algorithm. RSA algorithm. Quality of the RSA algorithm. TLS and SSL protocol. ElGamal algorithms and using elliptic curves. Other algorithms asymmetrical. Cryptographic protocols using unbalanced algorithms.
One-way hash functions. MD5 and SHA function. Quality of unidirectional hash functions. The role of computational complexity and classes of computational problems.
Advanced cryptographic protocols. Quartion cryptographic systems.
Image cryptography. Artificial intelligence methods in cryptography.
Quantum and post-quantum cryptography.
The use of cryptography: patenting algorithms. Protection of transmitted and stored data in the electronic economy. The future of cryptology and other information protection techniques.

Course content – laboratory
Implementation of selected cryptographic algorithms, in particular: DES, stream and block ciphers with a selected Feistel network, hash functions.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Prerequisites and co-requisites</td><td>Discrete mathematics, Linear algebra, Probability theory.
Knowledge of programming in object-oriented languages.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Assessment methods and criteria</td><td>
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<tr><th>Subject passing criteria</th><th>Passing threshold</th><th>Percentage of the final grade</th></tr>
<tr><td>Lab</td><td>50.0%</td><td>50.0%</td></tr>
<tr><td>Exam</td><td>50.0%</td><td>50.0%</td></tr>
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<tr><td>Recommended reading</td><td>
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<tr><td>Basic literature</td><td>1. Jean-Philippe Aumasson, Nowoczesna kryptografia, PWN 2018.
2. Stinson D.R.: Kryptografia. W teorii i praktyce, WNT 2005.
3. B. Schneier Kryptografia dla praktykow, WNT 2002.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Supplementary literature</td><td>1. Bard G.: Algebraic Cryptanalysis, Springer Verlag 2009.

2. D. Boneh, V. Shoup, A graduate course in applied cryptography, Stanford Univ., 2015</td></tr>
<tr><td>eResources addresses</td><td></td></tr>
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<tr><td>Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed</td><td>1. Implement ECB, CBC, FCB block encryption modes
Input: The text file to be encrypted.
Output: Encrypted text file.
Assumption: 64 biotic blocks, use the text loading and transformation functions on bit arrays. Any programming language: C #, Python, Java ...
2. Implement the simplified version of the selected encryption mode from one round of the DES algorithm. (Assumptions as above).</td></tr>
<tr><td>Practical activites within the subject</td><td>Not applicable</td></tr>
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