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# Abstract

Main aim of the thesis is to study on various algebraic aspects of Finite Fields and of Linear Algebra for Cryptography. Our study is extended to discuss on irreducible polynomials. A new structure of all nonzero elements of finite field is visualized and conjugates of every element of the structure are characterized from the position of the element in the structure. We discuss also the application of the structure on polynomial basis and also on identification and distribution of irreducible polynomials over finite field. We propose a public key cryptographic system based on Dual Bases and change of basis matrix in a finite dimensional vector space over a finite field, and secret key and public key cryptographic systems based on Dual Bases in a finite field. Ultimately, we conclude with discussion on various aspects of communication and information security.

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