CIS 5560

Cryptography Lecture 7

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Announcements

- HW 3 out after lecture
 - Due Tuesday, Feb 13 at 1PM on Gradescope
 - Covers PRGs, OWFs
- Converting Matan's OH to a Homework Party
 - Work on homework problems with other students
 - (Still have to write up your own answers!)
 - TA(s) and I and will be around for answering questions
 - Good way to meet other students in class and make friends =)

Recap of last lecture



For every **PPT** Eve, there exists a negligible fn ε ,

$$\Pr\left[\begin{array}{c} k \leftarrow \mathcal{K} \\ b \leftarrow \{0,1\} \\ \mathsf{Eve}(c_q) = b \middle| \begin{array}{c} \mathsf{For} \ i \text{ in } 1, \dots, q \\ (m_{i,0}, m_{i,1}) \leftarrow \mathsf{Eve}(c_{i-1}) \\ c_i = \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_{i,b}) \end{array}\right] < \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon(n)$$

Alternate (Stronger?) definition



Also called "IND-CPA": Indistinguishability under Chosen-Plaintext Attacks

Equivalent to previous definition: just set $m_{i,0} = m_{i,1} = m_i$

Stream Ciphers insecure under CPA

Problem: E(k,m) outputs same ciphertext for msg m.

Then:



So what? an attacker can learn that two encrypted files are the same, two encrypted packets are the same, etc.

Leads to significant attacks when message space M is small

Stream Ciphers insecure under CPA

Problem: E(k,m) always outputs same ciphertext for msg m.

Then:



If secret key is to be used multiple times \Rightarrow

given the same plaintext message twice, encryption must produce different outputs.

Today's Lecture

- Deeper look at PRFs
- PRFs → multi-message encryption
- Hybrid argument
- PRGs \rightarrow PRFs

Pseudorandom Functions

Collection of functions $\mathscr{F}_{\ell} = \{F_k : \{0,1\}^{\ell} \to \{0,1\}^m\}_{k \in \{0,1\}^n}$

- indexed by a key k
- *n*: key length, ℓ : input length, *m*: output length.
- Independent parameters, all poly(sec-param) = poly(n)
- #functions in $\mathcal{F}_{\ell} \leq 2^n$ (singly exponential in *n*)

Gen (1^n) : Generate a random *n*-bit key *k*. **Eval**(k, x) is a poly-time algorithm that outputs $F_k(x)$

How to define security?

Let's try to build it up like the PRG security definition

PRG Security



 $\Pr[b = b'] = 1/2 + \operatorname{negl}(n)$

PRG vs PRF

- So, for PRG security, we give the adversary either a random string or a pseudorandom string, and ask it to figure out which one it is
- Can the same strategy work for PRFs?



 $\Pr[b = b'] = 1/2 + \operatorname{negl}(n)$

PRF Security - Attempt 1

- What's the problem with this?
- Hint: What does a random function look like?
 - Is it efficiently evaluatable?
 - Does it have a short description?
 - It maps inputs to random values (example on board)

- Ans: we can't easily send a random function!
- So: how about we give the challenger "oracle" access



 $\Pr[b = b'] = 1/2 + \operatorname{negl}(n)$

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PRF Security - Attempt 1

- Q: How many questions should the adversary be allowed to ask?
 - 1
 - 2
 - poly(n)
 - exp(n)
- Why is 1 insufficient? Can't tell any information from 1 query
- Why is exp(n) too many? Adv will run in exponential time!



 $\Pr[b = b'] = 1/2 + \operatorname{negl}(n)$

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PRFs → multi-message encryption

Ideas for multi-message encryption

- State? (e.g. counter of num msgs)
- Randomness?

Stateful encryption w/ PRFs

• $\operatorname{Gen}(1^n) \to k$:

• Sample an *n*-bit string at random.

Enc(k, m, st) → c:
1. Interpret st as number ℓ of messages encrypted so far.
2. Output c = F_k(ℓ) ⊕ m

• $Dec(k, c, st) \rightarrow m$:

1. Interpret **st** as number ℓ of messages encrypted so far. \circ Output $m = F_k(\ell) \oplus c$

Does this work?

Ans: Yes!

Pros:

- Relies on existing tools
- Generally fast
- No need to run PRF from start!

Cons:

- Must maintain counter of encrypted messages
 - (Just like PRG solution)

Ideas for multi-message encryption

- State? (e.g. counter of num msgs)
- Randomness?

Randomized encryption w/ PRFs

Gen (1^n) : Generate a random *n*-bit key *k* that defines $F_k : \{0,1\}^{\ell} \to \{0,1\}^m$

Enc(*k*, *m*): Pick a random *x* and let the ciphertext *c* be the pair $(x, y = F_k(x) \oplus m)$

Dec(k, c = (x, y)):

Output $F_k(x) \oplus c$

Does this work?

Ans: Yes! Proof: next

Pros:

- Relies on existing tools
- Generally fast
- No need to run PRF from start!

Cons:

• Need good randomness during encryption

Security of Randomized Encryption

Enc(*k*, *m*): Pick a random *x* and output $(x, y = F_k(x) \oplus m)$

Dec(k, c = (x, y)): Output $F_k(x) \oplus c$

- **Proof strategy:** Focusing on 1msg security first
- We will introduce two new tools:
 - Indistinguishability of distributions
 - The hybrid lemma/argument

Indistinguishable distributions

Definition: Two distributions X and Y are *computationally indistinguishable*

if for every efficient distinguisher $\left| \Pr[D(x) = 1 \mid x \leftarrow X] - \Pr[D(y) = 1 \mid y \leftarrow Y] \right| = \operatorname{negl}(n)$

Denoted by $X \approx Y$

Eg: PRG security says that $X := \{G(x) | x \leftarrow \{0,1\}^n\} \approx Y := \{y | y \leftarrow \{0,1\}^m\}$ Eg: Single msg security says that

 $\{c \leftarrow \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_0) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K}\} \approx \{c \leftarrow \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_1) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K}\}$

Proof by hybrid argument

Enc(*k*, *m*): Pick a random *x* and output $(x, y = F_k(x) \oplus m)$

Dec(k, c = (x, y)): Output $F_k(x) \oplus c$

Single msg security says that the following dists are indistinguishable.

 $\{c \leftarrow \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_0) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K}\}$ and $\{c \leftarrow \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_1) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K}\}$ How to do this? Let's create more (supposedly) indistinguishable distributions: $H_0 = \{ c := (r, m_0 \oplus F_k(r) \mid r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n; k \leftarrow \mathcal{K} \}$ \approx by PRF security $H_1 = \{c := (r, m_0 \oplus R(r) \mid r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n; R \leftarrow \mathsf{Fns}\}$ \approx defn of random fn $H_2 = \{c := (r, m_0 \oplus r' \mid r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n; r' \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n\}$ \approx one time pad $H_3 = \{ c := (r, m_1 \oplus r' \mid r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n; r' \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n \}$ \approx defn of random fn $H_4 = \{c := (r, m_1 \oplus R(r) \mid r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n; R \leftarrow \mathsf{Fns}\}$ \approx by PRF security $H_5 = \{ c := (r, m_1 \oplus F_k(r) \mid r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n; k \leftarrow \mathcal{K} \}$

Hybrid argument

The key steps in a hybrid argument are:

- 1. Construct a sequence of poly many distributions b/w the two target distributions.
- 2. Argue that each pair of neighboring distributions are indistinguishable.
- 3. Conclude that the target distributions are indistinguishable via contradiction:
 - A. Assume the target distributions are distinguishable
 - B. Must be the case that an intermediate pair of distributions is distinguishable
 - C. This contradicts 2 above.

Hybrid argument

B. Must be the case that an intermediate pair of distributions is distinguishable

Lemma: Let $\underline{p}_0, \underline{p}_1, \underline{p}_2, \dots, \underline{p}_m$ be advantage of distinguishing $(H_0, H_1), (H_1, H_2), \dots, (H_{n-1}, H_n)$

If $p_0 - p_m \ge \epsilon$ there is an index *i* such that $p_i - p_{i+1} \ge \epsilon/m$.

Proof:

$$p_m - p_0 = (p_m - p_{m-1}) + (p_{m-1} - p_{m-2}) + \dots + (p_1 - p_0) \ge \epsilon$$

At least one of the *m* terms has to be at least ε/m (averaging).

Security of Randomized Encryption

Enc(*k*, *m*): Pick a random *x* and output $(x, y = F_k(x) \oplus m)$

Dec(k, c = (x, y)): Output $F_k(x) \oplus c$

- Proof strategy:
 - 1msg security done.
 - What about multi-msg security?

Multi-msg security proof

Can be written as

 $\{(\mathsf{Enc}(k,m_0),\mathsf{Enc}(k,m_1),...,\mathsf{Enc}(k,m_n)) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K}\}$

 $\approx \{(\mathsf{Enc}(k,m_0'),\mathsf{Enc}(k,m_1'),...,\mathsf{Enc}(k,m_n')) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K}\}$

How to prove?

Hybrid argument!

 $H_0 = \{ (\mathsf{Enc}(k, m_0), \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_1), \dots, \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_n)) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K} \}$

$$\begin{split} H_1 &= \{ (\mathsf{Enc}(k, m_0'), \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_1), \dots, \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_n)) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K} \} \\ H_2 &= \{ (\mathsf{Enc}(k, m_0'), \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_1'), \dots, \mathsf{Enc}(k, m_n)) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K} \} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} H_{n-1} &= \left\{ (\operatorname{Enc}(k, m'_0), \operatorname{Enc}(k, m_1), \dots, \operatorname{Enc}(k, m_n)) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K} \right\}^{\approx \operatorname{Sin}} \\ H_n &= \left\{ (\operatorname{Enc}(k, m'_0), \operatorname{Enc}(k, m'_1), \dots, \operatorname{Enc}(k, m'_n)) \mid k \leftarrow \mathscr{K} \right\}^{\approx \operatorname{Sin}} \end{split}$$

≈ single msg security

So far

Multi-msg security via randomized encryption **Pros:**

- Relies on existing tools
- Generally fast
- No need to run PRF from start!

Cons:

- Ciphertext is ~2x larger: $(r, m \oplus F_k(r))$
- Can only encrypt fixed-size *n* bit msg at a time
- Thus, sending a message of, say, 10n bits, requires 20n-sized ciphertext

Multi-msg security for long msgs

New concept: modes of operation

Ideas?

Recall:

- Counter-based encryption
- Randomized encryption

Can we combine them?

Construction 2: rand ctr-mode

F: PRF defined over (K, X, Y) where $X = \{0,1\}^{2n}$ and $Y = \{0,1\}^n$



(e.g., n=128)

r - chosen at random for every message

note: parallelizable

rand ctr-mode: CPA analysis

Randomized counter mode: random IV.

<u>Counter-mode Theorem</u>: For any L>0, If F is a secure PRF over (K,X,Y) then E_{CTR} is IND-CPA-secure.

In particular, for a q-query adversary A attacking E_{CTR}

there exists a PRF adversary B s.t.:

 $Adv_{CPA}[A, E_{CTR}] \le 2 \cdot Adv_{PRF}[B, F] + 2 q^2 L / |X|$

<u>Note</u>: ctr-mode only secure as long as $q^2 \cdot L \leq |X|$

Multi-msg security via randomized encryption

Pros:

- Pretty fast
- Ciphertext is ~ (1 + 1/L) larger \rightarrow small for large L
- Parallelizable!

Cons:

• PRFs somewhat difficult to find, kind of slow

Good for us: Pseudorandom *Permutations* are easier to find!

PRPs and PRFs

Pseudo Random Function (PRF) defined over (K,X,Y):
F: K × X → Y

such that exists "efficient" algorithm to evaluate F(k,x)

Pseudo Random Permutation (PRP) defined over (K,X):
E: K × X → X

such that:

- 1. Exists "efficient" algorithm to evaluate E(k,x)
- 2. The function $E(k, \cdot)$ is one-to-one
- 3. Exists "efficient" inversion algorithm D(k,x)

Also called a Block Cipher

A **block cipher** is a pair of efficient algs. (E, D):



Canonical examples:

- **1. AES**: n=128 bits, k = 128, 192, 256 bits
- **2. 3DES**: n = 64 bits, k = 168 bits (historical)

Running example

• Example PRPs: 3DES, AES, ...

AES128: $K \times X \rightarrow X$ where $K = X = \{0,1\}^{128}$ DES: $K \times X \rightarrow X$ where $X = \{0,1\}^{64}$, $K = \{0,1\}^{56}$

3DES: $K \times X \rightarrow X$ where $X = \{0,1\}^{64}$, $K = \{0,1\}^{168}$

Functionally, any PRP where K and X are large is also a PRF.
A PRP is a PRF where X=Y and is efficiently invertible

Incorrect use of a PRP

Electronic Code Book (ECB):



Problem:

$$-$$
 if $m_1 = m_2$ then $c_1 = c_2$

In pictures



(courtesy B. Preneel)

ECB is not Semantically Secure even for 1 msg

ECB is not semantically secure for messages that contain two or more blocks.



Then $Adv_{SS}[\mathcal{A}, ECB] = 1$

Secure Construction 1: CBC with random nonce

Cipher block chaining with a <u>random</u> IV (IV = nonce)



CBC: CPA Analysis

<u>CBC Theorem</u>: For any L>0, If E is a secure PRP over (K,X) then E_{CBC} is a sem. sec. under CPA over (K, X^L, X^{L+1}).

In particular, for a q-query adversary A attacking E_{CBC} there exists a PRP adversary B s.t.:

Adv_{CPA}[A, E_{CBC}] $\leq 2 \cdot Adv_{PRP}[B, E] + 2q^2 L^2 / |X|$ Note: CBC is only secure as long as $q^2 \cdot L^2 \ll |X|$ # messages enc. with key max msg length

Next

HW

• Construct PRF from PRG!

Next Class:

• What happens if adversary can tamper with messages?