Theoretical Constructions of Pseudorandom Objects

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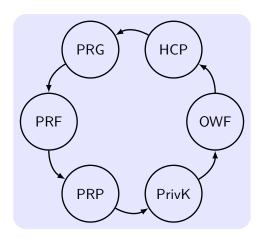
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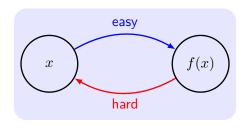
Overview



One of contributions of modern cryptography

The existence of one-way functions is equivalent to the existence of all (non-trivial) private-key cryptography.

One-Way Functions (OWF)



The inverting experiment Invert_{A,f}(n):

- $\textbf{1} \ \, \mathsf{Choose} \ \, \mathsf{input} \ \, x \leftarrow \{0,1\}^n. \ \, \mathsf{Compute} \, \, y := f(x).$
- **2** \mathcal{A} is given 1^n and y as input, and outputs x'.
- $\mbox{ Invert}_{\mathcal{A},f}(n)=1 \mbox{ if } f(x')=y \mbox{, otherwise 0}.$

Definitions of OWF/OWP [Yao]

For polynomial-time algorithm M_f and \mathcal{A} .

Definition 1

A function $f: \{0,1\}^* \to \{0,1\}^*$ is **one-way** if:

- **1** (Easy to compute): $\exists M_f: \forall x, M_f(x) = f(x)$.
- **2** (Hard to invert): $\forall A$, \exists negl such that

$$\Pr[\mathsf{Invert}_{\mathcal{A},f}(n) = 1] \le \mathsf{negl}(n).$$

or

$$\Pr_{x \leftarrow \{0,1\}^n} [\mathcal{A}(f(x)) \in f^{-1}(f(x))] \le \mathsf{negl}(n).$$

Definition 2

Let $f: \{0,1\}^* \to \{0,1\}^*$ be length-preserving, and f_n be the restriction of f to the domain $\{0,1\}^n$. A OWP f is a **one-way permutation** if $\forall n$, f_n is a bijection.

Candidate One-Way Function

Multiplication and factoring:
$$f_{\text{mult}}(x,y) = (xy,\|x\|,\|y\|)$$
, x and y are equal-length primes.

Modular squaring and square roots:

$$f_{\mathsf{square}}(x) = x^2 \bmod N.$$

Discrete exponential and logarithm:

$$f_{q,p}(x) = g^x \bmod p$$
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Subset sum problem:

$$f(x_1, ..., x_n, J) = (x_1, ..., x_n, \sum_{j \in J} x_j).$$

Cryptographically secure hash functions:

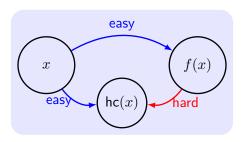
Practical solutions for one-way computation.

Examples

$$f: \{0,1\}^{128} \to \{0,1\}^{128}$$
 is a OWF. Is f' OWF?

- f'(x) = f(x) ||x|
- f'(x||x') = f(x)||x'|
- $f'(x) = f(x) \oplus f(x)$
- $f'(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x[0,1,2,3] \neq 1010 \\ x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- more examples in homework

Hard-Core Predicates (HCP) [Blum-Micali]



Definition 3

A function hc : $\{0,1\}^* \to \{0,1\}$ is a hard-core predicate of a function f if (1) hc can be computed in polynomial time, and (2) \forall PPT \mathcal{A} , \exists negl such that

$$\Pr_{x \leftarrow \{0,1\}^n}[\mathcal{A}(f(x)) = \mathsf{hc}(x)] \leq \frac{1}{2} + \mathsf{negl}(n).$$

A HCP for Any OWF

Theorem 4

f is OWF. Then \exists an OWF g along with an HCP gI for g. If f is a permutation then so is g.

Q: is $gl(x) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n} x_i$ the HCP of any OWF?

Proof.

$$g(x,r) \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} (f(x),r)$$
, for $|x| = |r|$, and define

$$\operatorname{gl}(x,r) \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} \bigoplus_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot r_i.$$

r is generated uniformly at random. [Goldreich and Levin]

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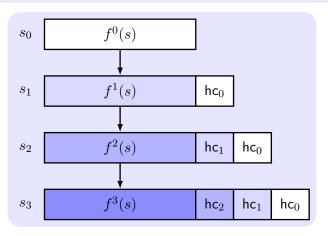
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PRG from OWP: Blum-Micali Generator

Theorem 5

f is an OWP and hc is an HCP of f. Then $G(s) \stackrel{def}{=} (f(s), \text{hc}(s))$ constitutes a PRG with expansion factor $\ell(n) = n+1$, then \forall polynomial p(n) > n, \exists a PRG with expansion factor $\ell(n) = p(n)$.

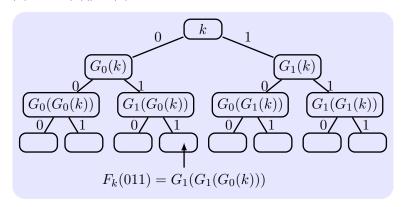


PRF from PRG [Goldreich, Goldwasser, Micali]

Theorem 6

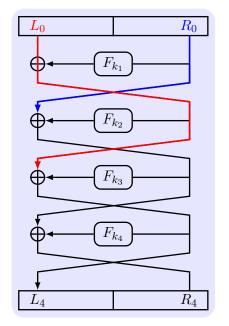
If \exists a PRG with expansion factor $\ell(n) = 2n$, then \exists a PRF.

$$G(k) = G_0(k) ||G_1(k)||$$



$$F_k(x_1x_2\cdots x_n) = G_{x_n}(\cdots(G_{x_2}(G_{x_1}(k)))\cdots), G(s) = (G_0(s), G_1(s)).$$

PRP from PRF [Lucy, Rackoff]



 $F^{(r)}$ is an r-round Feistel network with the mangler function F.

Theorem 7

If F is a length-preserving PRF, then $F^{(3)}$ is a PRP, and $F^{(4)}$ is a strong PRP, that maps 2n-bit strings to 2n-bit strings (and uses a key of length 3n and 4n).

Show that 1- or 2-round Feistel network is not a PRF.

Necessary Assumptions

Theorem 8

Assume that \exists OWP. Then \exists PRG, PRF, strong PRP, and CCA-secure private-key encryption schemes.

Proposition 9

If \exists a private-key encryption scheme that has indistinguishable encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper, then \exists an OWF.

Proof.

$$f(k,m,r)\stackrel{\mathrm{def}}{=}(\mathrm{Enc}_k(m,r),m)$$
, where $|k|=n,|m|=2n,|r|=\ell(n)$. See the textbook for details. \square

Summary

- OWF implies secure private-key encryption scheme
- Secure private-key encryption scheme implies OWF