

Insert That Odd Thing I Can't Ever Come Up with Here

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1 Introduction

Modern cryptographic schemes can generally be divided into two classes: asymmetric-key schemes and symmetric-key schemes.

Symmetric-key schemes involve only one secret key between two communicating parties called a *shared secret*. In contrast, asymmetric-key schemes contain two secret keys, one for each party, and two public keys which are publicly distributed. Symmetric schemes are in general more efficient than asymmetric schemes but have the disadvantage that keys must be agreed upon by parties who wish to communicate in advance. Specifically symmetric-key schemes require that secret keys be distributed over secure channels ¹. These types of key distribution schemes are not compatible with most modern methods of communication over networks, which are by and large conducted over the internet, an insecure channel.

In contrast, Public-key cryptography is an asymmetric-key class of systems which allows parties which have never met, much less agreed upon secret keys in advance, to communicate privately over insecure channels. The primary concern is to make communication by public key cryptographic schemes as efficient, secure, and easy to implement as those of symmetric key systems ².

In this context, implementation of a particular cryptographic scheme is often a two-fold problem. That is, on one hand the cryptosystem must be constructed with much thought in mind to its efficiency and economy, on the other hand improper assumptions concerning the security imparted by the system must always be given precedence as any failure in this regard invalidates the inherent purpose of the system's existence, making all other efforts with respect to the system trivial in its wake. Since the purpose of cryptography is to keep communications and information private the role in managing the risks associated with the system must be weighted necessarily heavier towards ensuring the fulfillment of a given set of security objectives. A balance between efficiency and security must be carefully, and continuously, maintained throughout construction, implementation, and daily maintenance of the system. To even momentarily neglect this precarious balancing act courts disaster.

¹In real world applications there is no such thing as a secure channel.

²Notably, the problem of determining if any message has indeed been communicated securely (or if it has not) is an open problem for which no known solutions exist that cannot be classified as temporary hacks.

2 Counterexamples Win Out

This story begins at one such occurrence of forgetfulness in modern cryptography. Where the balancing act between efficiency and security in lattice-based cryptography was for a time forgotten, and constructions by many were weighted towards efficiency. Particularly in ideal lattice-based cryptography, where a great many researchers took for granted the level of security lattice-based schemes were conjectured to impart, focusing their attention on the efficiency of their schemes instead. These researchers attempted construction of more and more efficient schemes, assuming that the possibility their systems were as secure as schemes defined over more general lattices, would eventually be proven,... by someone else.

In mathematics the (and possibly life in general), the best possible refutation of a claim something does not or cannot exist is a counterexample. Such an example stands constructed in all its defining premises, defiantly and conclusively proving "*I exist*". Cryptography is not immune from these somewhat amusing and ironic examples, and lattice cryptography is no exception to this rule, where these counterexamples often show themselves in the form of use cases.

The faith of the ideal lattice cryptographers in the strength of their efficient constructions is not a new mistake in the history of cryptography. This assumption of strength is famously mirrored in the arrogance of engineers of the German Enigma ciphers of World War II, stubbornly clinging to the calculations of theoretical strength despite all evidence to the contrary. Doubtless, history professors with interest in such affairs would be fully justified in gloating and repetition of the adage "*those who forget history are doomed to repeat it*," with all the smugness they can bear.

There is no better such example in modern lattice-based cryptography than the Soliloquy problem; an unexpected announcement by British researchers in the Communications-Electronics Security Group (CESG) (the information assurance division of the Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ)). This informal report dubbed *Soliloquy: A Cautionary Tale* [[?]], brought on a slew of uncharacteristically emotional responses in the cryptographic community, a mixture of shock, speculation, as well as a few cases of well-earned, smug "*I told you so*" sentiments. As for researchers working towards efficient constructions of similar schemes there was a backlash of reactions ranging the spectrum of in one direction, unsurprised acceptance and in the opposite direction, rage and denial.

The announcement by CESG, vaguely outlined a cryptosystem given over ideal lattices of characteristic two, a characteristic much overused despite the warnings of more experienced researchers [[?]] that efforts in other fields were necessary in order to guard against the possibility that the particular field characteristic was shown to exhibit such a vulnerability.

3 Introductory Cryptographic Terminology and Notation

Public Key Cryptography (PKC) solves the problem of how to enable two people who have never met to communicate securely over insecure channels.

Public-key depends on the following assumptions:

1. In the forward direction, we assume there exists a one-way function which is easy to compute.
2. In the reverse direction, we assume that the same function is hard to invert.

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3.1 Asymmetric & Symmetric Cryptography

The concepts of symmetric and asymmetric cryptographic-key schemes are given below as independent forms. However, it is rarely the case that these schemes will be applied in this manner particularly in a Public-key asymmetric system. Both asymmetric and symmetric key schemes are assumed to be classical cryptosystems. By way of classical we mean the systems are defined in terms of the chances the mathematical problems these systems are based upon have of being solved by an adversarial system. I.e., The likelihood of breaking the security of the ciphers in any of these systems is dependent on the assumed capabilities of the adversary's system. The common assumptions attributed to an adversary are as follows:

- The adversary is in possession of (or has access to) slightly more than a reasonable (but still finite and non-quantum) amount of computational resources;
- If the adversarial system (as described above) provides a solution to the problem serving as a basis for security of the target system, it does so by applying a probabilistic, polynomial-time, algorithm.

3.1.1 Symmetric-key Cryptography

In canonical symmetric-key schemes only one key is generated for both the encryption and decryption algorithms. Symmetric-keys must therefore be exchanged over secure channels where both communicating parties have agreed in advance to the method of encryption and have exchanged secret keys.

Formally, we say the two parties are in possession of a *shared secret* and each party is mutually, as well as equally responsible for the maintenance of the secret which establishes and secures their communications.

In certain contexts this method can be made to be as secure as an asymmetric key system. It's main drawback is the shared secret which has the ability to invalidate the integrity of communications if either party is compromised.

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Additionally, since the method requires a secure channel as well as a shared secret both parties must know they will have a need for encrypted communication in advance and negotiate the means of transmission and key exchange prior to communicating. This means the parties must know each other prior to communicating.

Formal Definitions for Symmetric-key Schemes

We define a symmetric-key scheme as follows:

Let \mathcal{K} be the set of all possible keys k generated by a key generation function, called the *keyspace*.

The key generation algorithm **Gen** is a probabilistic function which uses a distribution chosen which is appropriate with respect to the scheme.

The key generation algorithm randomly chooses a key k from its distribution uniformly.

Let \mathcal{M} be the set of all possible messages m called the *message* or *plaintext space*.

The encryption function **Enc** takes a key k and message m as input producing a ciphertext c .

The set of all possible ciphertexts (The ciphertext space) is denoted \mathcal{C} , defined by taking the pair of spaces $(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{M})$ together.

Let **Dec** be the decryption function which takes a ciphertext c and key k as input returning the corresponding message m .

Cryptosystem

Taking the above components together we have the following definition of a symmetric-key cryptosystem using the traditionally chosen communicating parties *Alice*, *Bob* and *Eve* (*the eavesdropper*):

A symmetric-key cryptosystem is given by a set of algorithms (**Gen**, **Enc**, **Dec**) and the message space \mathcal{M} .

The cryptosystem performs its functions in the following order:

First, Alice and Bob use *Gen* to produce a shared secret key k .

Whenever Bob wishes to send a message m to Alice (or Alice to Bob) he inputs (m, k) into *Enc* to get a ciphertext of the message c .

$$c := Enc_k(m)$$

When Alice receives the ciphertext c from Bob she inputs both (c, k) into the decryption function and gets back the plaintext message m .

$$Dec_k(c) := m.$$

To ensure the cryptosystem is correct, that is that it holds *for every* message key pair $(k, m) : k \in \mathcal{K}$ and $m \in \mathcal{M}$ you must show that using the key on a ciphertext outputs the correct message.

$$Dec_k(Enc_k(m)) = m$$

$$Dec_k(c) = m : Enc_k(m) = c$$

3.1.2 Asymmetric-key Cryptography

In contrast symmetric-key schemes are determined by two sets of keys one for each party. Each set consists of a private key known only to the owner and a *public key* which can be widely distributed. Public-key uses a *one-way function* as its public key; this function is easy to compute but hard to invert and is available publicly for use as an encryption method for the key owner. A second key called the private key is known only to the key owner; this key is a *trapdoor function* which can invert a ciphertext back to its plaintext form.

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3.2 Connecting Symmetric & Asymmetric Cryptography

It seems at first glance that asymmetric and symmetric cryptosystems are isolated methods of encryption. However, symmetric encryption is well-suited for the task of assisting asymmetric key schemes not only for efficiency purposes but also in the role of key management.

4 Semantic Security: Defining Security with Games

4.1 Goldwasser & Micali's: Mental Poker and Partial Information

Semantic Security was a game proposed by Goldwasser and Micali in their 1982 paper entitled: *"Probabilistic Encryption & How to Play Mental Poker Keeping Secret All Partial Information"*[[?]], in response to papers from Rivest, Shamir, Adelman, [[?]] and Rabin [[?]] detailing the theory behind the Diffie-Hellman based RSA cryptosystem.

Goldwasser and Micali's intention was to strengthen the security assumptions of Diffie-Hellman based cryptosystems by formally defining what it would mean for such systems to be called secure.

[[?]] Proposed the following property for any implementation of a Diffie-Hellman Public-key Cryptosystem:

Proposition 1. *"An adversary, who knows the encryption of an algorithm and is given the ciphertext, cannot obtain any information about the cleartext."*³

Informally, Goldwasser and Micali's property says that a given cryptographic scheme is considered insecure if given some of the ciphertext (but not the private key), it is possible for an adversary to recover any information about the plaintext, or any recover useful information about the plaintext of the message, by some manipulation of the ciphertext over a reasonable amount of time.

4.2 Weaknesses in the Assumptions of RSA

Goldwasser and Micali pointed out that the security assumptions given in [[?]] and [[?]] had some particularly significant weaknesses that shouldn't be overlooked.

Assumption 1. There exists a trapdoor function $f(x)$ that is easily computed, while x is not easily computed from $f(x)$ unless some additional information is known. To encrypt any message m , you evaluate f at m , and receive the ciphertext $f(m)$.

[[?]] give two weaknesses of this first assumption:

Remark 1. If x has some specialized form, the fact that $f(x)$ is assumed to be a trapdoor function does not guarantee that x cannot be computed. There are two important points in this weakness:

Case 1. First, messages do not typically consists of randomly chosen numbers, they have more structure.

Case 2. Second, the additional structure these messages possess may assist in decoding the ciphertext.

³[[?]] Pg.1, Paragraph 1, Lines 3-6

Example 1. Compare two functions $f(m)$ and $g(n)$, where the input m for f is some random ASCII sequence, and the input n for g is an ASCII sequence which represents sentences written in English. Then it may happen that m is hard to recover from $f(m)$, but that n is easy to recover from $g(n)$.

Remark 2. Even if we assume that f is a trapdoor function, that does not negate the possibility that the message or even half the message may not be recoverable from $f(x)$.

[[?]] state the following concerning the use of trapdoors in general:

Covering ones face with a handkerchief certainly helps to hide personal identity. However:

1. It will not hide from me the identity of a special subset of people: my mother, my sister, close freinds.
2. I can gather a lot of information about people I cannot identify: their height, their hair color, and so on.

These facts about the use of a handkerchief are exactly those you would find issue with in using any Public-key cryptosystem whose security relies on trapdoors. In fact, they are the same arguments which arise as problems in cases one and two.

Goldwasser and Micali suggest the following changes to the RSA and Rabin schemes:

First, they declare the set of messages \mathcal{M} should be sparse.

Claim 1. If the set of messages \mathcal{M} is sparse in \mathbb{Z}_N^* , then the ability to correctly recover even 1% of all messages is not possible for a random polynomial time algorithm in the case of factoring.

Where *sparse* in this context means that when $x \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$ is chosen randomly, we have a probability of any x chosen being a message is for all intents and purposes zero.

Second, they define the notion of secure for any Public-key cryptosystem in a way that disallows the use of trapdoor functions:

Definition 1. Let \mathcal{P}

5 Attack Models

5.1 Known Plaintext Attack (KPA)

The adversary in this case has at least one pair of corresponding plaintext and ciphertext that they did not choose. The adversary knows the context or meaning of the plaintext. The adversary does not have access to the system and cannot generate more pairs of plain and ciphertext; they must work only with what they have.

- The adversary knows the system.
- The adversary has one ciphertext and a corresponding ciphertext.
- **Goal:** The adversarys job is then to determine the decryption key.

Example

Eve has heard a conversation between Alice and Bob and knows that they will meet each other 'next Monday at 2pm'. This particular conversation that Eve overheard is encrypted and Eve has the ciphertext and she knows what was said so she has the plaintext. So Eve knows somewhere in the ciphertext is some string corresponding to 'next Monday at 2pm'. Eve can then use that she knows this string to decode some portion of the ciphertext and from there try to deduce the secret key.

Specific Examples

- Cesar Ciphers
- The Polish Break of the Enigma Machine
- The Bletchley Park Break of the Enigma Machine
- Old versions of PKZIP encrypted with AES

5.2 Chosen Plaintext Attacks (CPA)

Chosen Plaintext Attack I (Batch Chosen Plaintext Attack)

- The adversary knows the system.
- The adversary has temporary access to the encryption mechanism containing the key.
- **Goal:** For the time the adversary has access to the mechanism they must choose plaintexts, construct the corresponding ciphertexts and deduce the decryption key somewhere in this or after this process.

Chosen Plaintext Attack II (Adaptive Chosen Plaintext Attack)

- The adversary knows the system.
- The adversary has unlimited access to the encryption mechanism containing the key.
- **Goal:** The adversary can then choose plaintexts, see what the system returns, intelligently decide upon and submit more plaintexts to the system and use the constructed corresponding ciphertexts to deduce the secret key (trial and error).

Example

A very badly designed email service for some company provides encryption of messages, however it only generates one key per branch. Eve knows that Alice and Bob work at a particular branch of a company gets a job at the company transfers to that branch. Eve uses the same email service sends email with content she chooses through the service (perhaps to herself BCCing or CCing herself it doesn't matter, Eve chooses the content), Eve then analyzes the ciphertexts of the emails she sent deduces the secret key and then proceeds to decrypt messages belonging to Alice and Bob.

5.3 Chosen Ciphertext Attacks (CCA)

Chosen Ciphertext Attack I (Lunchtime Attack)

- The adversary knows the system.
- The adversary has temporary access to the decryption mechanism containing the key.
- The adversary has one or more ciphertexts which correspond to this key.
- **Goal:** The job of the adversary is generate the plaintext corresponding to the ciphertexts (easily done), and deduce the key.

Example

Eve has acquired some encrypted messages sent from Bob to Alice. She has gained access to Bobs computer (the decryption oracle) while Bob is at lunch. Eve gets access to Bobs computer while he is at lunch and decrypts the set of encrypted messages. Eve then uses the ciphertexts and plaintexts to deduce the secret key.

Chosen Ciphertext Attack II (Adaptive Chosen Ciphertexts Attack)

- The adversary knows the system.
- The adversary has unlimited access to the decryption mechanism containing the key.
- The adversary has one or more ciphertexts which correspond to this key, and can now generate more whenever they choose.

- **Goal:** The job of the adversary is to generate the plaintext corresponding to the ciphertexts (easily done), use the information to intelligently choose more plaintexts to generate ciphertexts and in this process deduce the key.

6 Post-quantum cryptography

The need for new cryptographic systems developed after Peter Shor proved that the classical number-theoretic schemes could be easily broken by quantum computers. Quantum systems are capable of running algorithms which provide solutions to the mathematical problems the classical schemes base their security reductions on. The development of quantum computing lead to a new area of cryptography called post-quantum cryptography.

Post-quantum cryptography is necessarily distinct from quantum cryptography it's concern is finding and implementing schemes which are secure against quantum-based attacks.

Not to be confused with Quantum-cryptography which uses quantum computers to find and implement new quantum cryptosystems.

7 Quantum-safe Cryptography

In order to break a cryptographic system within a formal attack model from random instances you must solve the mathematical problem it relies on in the worst-case. A sufficiently large general purpose quantum computer can "easily" solve the three typical mathematical problems. The solutions can be found using Shorrs algorithm.

The first example of a quantum computer is the D-Wave quantum annealing computer. The D-Wave is advertised as "*The world's first commercially available quantum computer*". In 2013 Google, NASA Ames, and the Universities Space Research Association collaborated in a purchase of a subclass of the quantum annealing computer called an adiabatic quantum computer. D-Wave systems are not general purpose quantum computers, and they don't try to be.

The D-Wave systems were created as special purpose quantum computers to solve the optimization problem of finding ground states of a classical Ising spin glass.

The systems do not run most quantum algorithms. In particular, they do not run Shorrs. Shorrs requires a general purpose quantum computer.

A general purpose quantum computer is one that is capable of carrying out a set of standard quantum operations in any order it is told. *There do not at this point in time exist any general purpose quantum computers.*

However, researchers working towards the development of such systems estimate success in the next decade; barring of course any unforeseen major barriers.

With these developments in mind it would be very poor risk management to delay development of quantum resistant cryptosystems and assume the longer time frame. It is quite plausible that not all developments are within public knowledge.

7.1 Cryptosystems Currently Not Quantum-safe

- The Integer Factorization Problem:
 - RSA
- The Discrete Logarithm Problem:
 - Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange
 - Digital Signature Algorithm
 - El Gamal (PGP)
- The Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem:
 - Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman (ECDH)
 - Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA)

8 Learning with Parity (LWP)

An algorithm trained to solve the Learning with Parity problem is given the following parameters:

- Samples $(x, f(x))$, where the samples are generated by some distribution over the input.
- For the function f the algorithm has the *assurance* that f can compute the parity of bits at one or more fixed locations.

If the algorithm solves the LWP problem it has successfully guessed the original function f from the given samples.

The above version of LWP is easy to solve using Gaussian elimination provided the algorithm is given enough samples, and the distribution from which the samples are drawn is not overly skewed.

8.1 Noisy Learning with Parity

Noisy Learning with Parity (NLWP) deviates slightly from the constraints given above significantly altering the solvability of the problem.

The algorithm's parameters are adjusted as follows:

- The algorithm is provided with samples (x, y) , such that $y = 1 - f(x)$ has only a small probability of knowing the parity of bits at some locations.
- Additionally, these samples may contain errors (noise).

The adjustments to the LWP problem change the expected outcome from easy to solve to that of one conjectured to be hard to solve.

9 Learning with Errors (LWE)

Learning with Errors is a lattice problem based upon the machine learning problem called Noisy Learning with Parity (NLWP). LWE, has a quantum reduction from SVP. LWE forms the basis of security for many other algorithms which gain SVP as basis for their own security.

9.1 Ring-LWE (RLWE)

9.1.1 Peikerts Scheme

10 Lattice-based Cryptography

Lattice-based Cryptosystems are a subclass of Post-quantum cryptosystems. A worst-case security proof for a lattice based scheme not only claims security against attacks from classical (current) computer systems, but quantum as well. The drawback is these not as efficient (yet) as other more well known schemes. However, lattice-based schemes claim a unique benefit that other post-quantum schemes do not.

11 Fully Homomorphic Encryption

In addition to their seeming quantum-safe features lattice-based schemes have the potential of providing Fully Homomorphic Encryption (FHE) to a given cryptosystem. The problem which FHE solves is only slightly different than that of Public-key. We want to take our encrypted data, send it to an unauthorized party for processing, and receive the same results we would get if we had never encrypted it.

Cryptologists have spent a great deal of their time removing the natural homomorphisms from most schemes like RSA. While at the same time wishing for a doubly homomorphic system.

11.1 Homomorphic Properties of Cryptographic Schemes

Many classical public key cryptography methods have a homomorphic property, this property says if add two things together then their sum contains information about those two things. That is, they use successive operations of addition, multiplication, etc. to create ciphertext. We call these schemes Partially Homomorphic since their operations cannot be performed simultaneously.

Unpadded RSA has this homomorphic property, if we take two RSA messages (ciphertext) which have been encrypted with unpadded RSA, and we multiply them together when we decrypted them we will find that this product contains the two original ciphertexts as subgroups, or embeds the ciphertexts. We say the ciphertexts are homomorphic to modular multiplication.

RSA and other classical schemes can only evaluate data over the operation they are defined to work on, such as multiplication or addition.

In cryptography we say a scheme that has this property is malleable and it is not always a good property for the scheme to have. Malleable means that an attacker can change an encrypted message, decrypt it and gain useful information. Lets say that you send 5\$ to Eve, then Eve can get enough information to put two zeros behind the five and suddenly youve just given Eve 500\$ instead.

FHE schemes are not limited to a single operation and can simultaneously compute any number of arbitrary operations.

All computers operate by using trillions upon trillions of boolean circuits. Boolean circuits are special cases of propositional formulas, truth tables, where the only output ever given by the system is either yes or no; in computer terms zero or one.

Boolean circuits have three basic functions from which the rest can be derived, they are AND, OR, and NOT. You can combine these two of functions to get a total set of sixteen different boolean functions. Engineers have been using these functions for ages, but cryptographers were stuck with one.

12 Ideal Lattice-based Cryptography

The additional application areas and ease of implementation due to ideal ring structure is convenient, the choice of ring its self is as important as the problem it is based upon. An advantage of Ring-LWE is its much smaller set of keys; the ring allows for more efficient and larger ranges in application areas.

Ideal Ring-LWE allows an even broader range of applications and efficiency than RLWE due to the additional structure provided by the principal ideals.

12.1 Ideal Ring Lattice Cryptosystems

Gentry's Scheme

[[?]] Was the first successful construction fully homomorphic encryption scheme In 2009 Craig Gentry constructed the first cryptographic system capable of evaluating arbitrary operations. The scheme was constructed over a principal ideal lattice [[?]] uses a bootstrap method to prove its security.

12.2 Principal Ideal Lattice Insecurities

The cyclotomic field of characteristic two infers so many convenient structures it is often chosen without consideration to any other ring [[?]].

In 2010 at the Public Key Cryptography Conference two researchers Smart and Vercauteren [SV10] introduced another ideal lattice scheme promising fully homomorphic encryption and quantum assumption hardness proofs. In late 2014 GCHQ (Government Communications Head Quarters) announced that it had been working on such a scheme, nearly identical to [SV10] and claimed that not only was it easy to solve using a quantum computer but was subexponential for classical computer systems as well. The attack did not directly apply to most constructions of lattice-based schemes only a handful who had used ideal lattices in the cyclotomic field of characteristic two, where the private keys were represented by principal ideals which were short generators.

A team of researchers Ronald Cramer, Leo Ducas, Chris Peikert, and Oded Regev [Cra15] who had prior to CESC announcement strongly encouraged new constructions in other fields quickly proved CESC's claim. Moreover, they proved that in cyclotomic fields with dimensions of prime power order which guaranteed existence of a short generator the lattice could always be efficiently decoded revealing the private key.

13 Soliloquy Construction

Let $n \in \mathbb{P} : |n| \approx 10$ bits. Let ζ be a primitive n^{th} root of unity.

We define K to be the number field $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta)$ and (\mathcal{O}) the ring of integers $\mathbb{Z}[\zeta] \in K$.

Select α as a candidate for $p_k = \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha_i \zeta_i) \in \mathcal{O}$, such that the coefficients α_i are taken from a discrete Gaussian distribution with a mean of zero. i.e. The coefficients are relatively small.

Let p be the norm of α .

The conditions under which an ordered pair, (α, p) can be used as a set of Soliloquy keys (pk, sk) , are

- $p \in \mathbb{P}$ and
- $c = 2^{\frac{p-1}{n}} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$.
- Then the quantity c occurs with probability $1 - \frac{1}{n}$.

Using these conditions we guarantee that we have at least one principal ideal of the form $\mathcal{P} = p\mathcal{O} + (\zeta - c)\mathcal{O}$, where a prime $p \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ is the principal ideal $p_{\mathcal{O}}$ for a particularly chosen $c = 2^{\frac{(p-1)}{n}}$.

If $p_{\mathcal{O}}$ is a product of prime ideals \mathcal{P}_i with representation $\mathcal{P}_i = p\mathcal{O} + (\zeta - c_i)\mathcal{O}$ where the c_i are the non-trivial n^{th} of unity mod p .

Since the Galois group $Gal(K/\mathbb{Q})$ gives a permutation of prime ideals \mathcal{P}_i , then by a re-ordering of the coefficients a_i , (i.e. taking some Galois conjugate of α), we can ensure $\alpha\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{P}$.

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(i.e. taking some Galois conjugate of α), we can ensure $\alpha\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{P}$.

We have obtained a natural homomorphism

$$\psi : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}/\mathcal{P} \simeq \mathbb{F}_p$$

such that:

$$\psi(\epsilon) = \psi \left(\sum_{i=1}^n e_i c^i \right) = \sum_{i=0}^n e_i c^i \pmod{p} = z.$$

13.1 Encryption & Decryption

13.1.1 Encryption

The encryption function is:

$$\psi(\epsilon) = \psi\left(\sum_{i=1}^n e_i c^i\right) = \sum_{i=0}^n e_i c^i \mod p = z.$$

The ephemeral⁴ key ϵ is sampled from the ring of integers \mathcal{O} , where the coefficients are sampled with a mean value of zero, the encrypted output z , is a positive rational number.

13.1.2 Decryption

To decrypt ϵ , we use the closest integer function $\epsilon = \lceil z \rceil \lceil z \alpha^{-1} \cdot \alpha \rceil$, which gives ϵ small enough that $\lceil \epsilon \cdot \alpha^{-1} \rceil = 0$.

⁴Emphemeral keys are key which are (usually) generated each time the key generation process is executed.

Appendix A: Gauss' Circle Problem

Given a circle \mathcal{R}^2 with radius $r \geq 0$ centered at the origin \mathcal{O} , how many integer lattice points (m, n) can you find in the circle?

Since we can express a circle in terms of Euclidean coordinates as:

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2.$$

We can state the question in terms of our lattice points (m, n) as:

$$m^2 + n^2 \leq r^2.$$

Approximate Solution

The area of the inside of a circle is approximately $A \approx \pi r^2$.

Which gives us approximate solution in terms of r for Gauss' circle problem (denoted $N(r)$) of:

$$N(r) = \pi r^2 + E(r),$$

where $E(r)$ is some error term given by the radius.

Exact Solutions

Two forms for an exact solution for the circle problem can be given in terms of sums. The first is a bit ugly:

$$N(r) = 1 + 4 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\left\lfloor \frac{r^2}{4i+1} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{r^2}{4i+3} \right\rfloor \right).$$

The second solution has a much nicer form if the sum of squares is defined as the number of ways of writing n as the sum of two squares:

$$N(r) = \sum_{n=0}^{r^2} r_2(n).$$

14 Appendix B: Base Security Objectives

There are four basic security objectives that must be considered when constructing any system concerned with securing data or information. These four basic definitions allow for the derivation of all other security objectives which may or may not be necessary to ensure the security of information for a given system.

- **Confidentiality:** The objective of confidentiality ensures that unauthorized users will not be purposefully (or accidentally) give access to resources protected by the system.
- **Integrity:** Ensures that the resources are preserved, used, and appropriately maintained throughout their life-cycle under the system. That is, any data is not alterable in an undetectable manner, retains the same accuracy as its created date (or registered modification date), and is complete with respect to its creation and activity log.
- **Availability:** Ensuring resources are available to authorized parties as required.
- **Non-repudiation:** Prevention of commitment or action denial.

14.1 Derived Security Objectives

Each implementation of a scheme requires a flexible set of security objectives which are dependent upon the context the system and it's users will employ **TODO:change wording**. The base definitions for the objectives allow the derivation of all other security objectives.

15 Appendix C: Considerations When Choosing a Cryptosystem Replacement

There are two main considerations for choosing a particular replacement scheme.

The first is the environment which will be used to transmit the keys. Not all environments are suited to the same types of schemes.

Keys which will be transmitted over open network environments are better served by public key schemes. These schemes also allow parties who have never met before or who have never shared keys to communicate securely over open networks such as the Internet. Symmetric keys are the oldest type of encryption, characterized by private keys shared between parties which must be kept secret. Symmetric key need for secrecy makes these schemes inherently ill-suited for open network environments.

The other consideration is a concept called Perfect Forward Secrecy.

Schemes enabled with Perfect Forward Secrecy come with the assurance that if one message is compromised it will not lead to other messages also being compromised.

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