

Cryptography

Lecture 8

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How to Construct CPA-Secure Encryption

- Recall that PRG+OTP encryption allowed us to encrypt long messages.
- But, it still revealed if same message was encrypted many times.

Key Idea

What if encryption (and decryption) could generate a different OTP for each ciphertext?

Note: We need to produce enough OTP's for as many encryptions as \mathcal{A} wants. So, can't just pre-generate them all.

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 - Proof is similar to proof of OTP, but need to account for probability of collision in r

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- Observe that this is exactly PRF+OTP with F_k replaced by f
 - This encryption is not efficient as we cannot evaluate a random function
 - But, it is useful as a “thought experiment” in the proof as it gives us a target for security

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- Use this to construct \mathcal{A}_r that breaks PRF security of F_k

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