

Collision Resistant Fixed Hash

Assuming DL is hard to invert, we built fixed length collision resistant hash function.

Lemma: Fix a positive integer N , and say $q \leq \sqrt{2N}$ elements y_1, \dots, y_q are chosen uniformly and independently at random from a set of size N . Then the probability that there exist distinct i, j with $y_i = y_j$ is at least $\frac{q(q-1)}{4N}$. i.e., $\text{coll}(q, N) \geq \frac{q(q-1)}{4N}$.

"Smaller the value of q w.r.t N , higher is the collision resistance"

Proof:

PROPOSITION A.4 For all x with $0 \leq x \leq 1$ it holds that

$$e^{-x} \leq 1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{e}\right)^x \leq 1 - \frac{x}{2}.$$

⇒ NoColl_i : Denotes the event of NO COLLISION upto i

$$\Pr[\text{NoColl}_q] = \Pr[\text{NoColl}_1] \cdot \Pr[\text{NoColl}_2 \mid \text{NoColl}_1] \cdots \Pr[\text{NoColl}_q \mid \text{NoColl}_{q-1}].$$

$$\Pr[\text{NoColl}_1] = 1 \quad \Pr[\text{NoColl}_{i+1} \mid \text{NoColl}_i] = 1 - \frac{i}{N}$$

$$\Pr[\text{NoColl}_q] = \prod_{i=1}^{q-1} \left(1 - \frac{i}{N}\right)$$

$$\Pr[\text{NoColl}_q] \leq \prod_{i=1}^{q-1} e^{-i/N} = e^{-\sum_{i=1}^{q-1} (i/N)} = e^{-q(q-1)/2N}$$

$$\Pr[\text{Coll}] = 1 - \Pr[\text{NoColl}_q] \geq 1 - e^{-q(q-1)/2N} \geq \frac{q(q-1)}{4N}$$

Construction of fixed length hash function

Assuming that DL is hard to invert (one-way function).

Let \mathcal{G} be as described in the text. Define a fixed-length hash function (Gen, H) as follows:

- **Gen:** on input 1^n , run $\mathcal{G}(1^n)$ to obtain (\mathbb{G}, q, g) and then select $h \leftarrow \mathbb{G}$. Output $s := \langle \mathbb{G}, q, g, h \rangle$ as the key.
- **H :** given a key $s = \langle \mathbb{G}, q, g, h \rangle$ and input $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{Z}_q \times \mathbb{Z}_q$, output $H^s(x_1, x_2) := g^{x_1} h^{x_2}$.

Proof by contradiction

If discrete logarithm problem is hard relative to G , then the following construction is a fixed-length collision-resistant hash function

$$\begin{aligned} H^s(x_1, x_2) &= H^s(x'_1, x'_2) \Rightarrow g^{x_1} h^{x_2} = g^{x'_1} h^{x'_2} \Rightarrow g^{x_1 - x'_1} = h^{x'_2 - x_2} \\ \text{let } \Delta &= x'_2 - x_2 \\ g^{(x_1 - x'_1) \cdot \Delta^{-1} \bmod q} &= (h^{x'_2 - x_2})^{\Delta^{-1} \bmod q} = h^{\Delta \cdot \Delta^{-1} \bmod q} = h^1 = h \end{aligned}$$

For the given value of g, h we found an X , which contradicts the assumption of DL being a one-way function.

Hence, (Gen, H) is a collision resistant hash function.

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