

# Public-key Cryptography I

CPA, CCA definitions,  
hybrid models (KEM/DEM)

# Basic Definition

- A public key encryption scheme consists of 3 polynomial-time algorithms:
  - $(PK, SK) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^n)$ : randomized algorithm
  - $C \leftarrow \text{Encrypt}(PK, M)$ : randomized
  - $M \leftarrow \text{Decrypt}(PK, SK, C)$ : deterministic
- We'll use  $E_{PK}(M)$ , and  $D_{SK}(C)$
- It is required that  $D_{SK}(E_{PK}(M)) \rightarrow M$ , except with negligible probability in  $n$

# IND-CPA Game

- Natural analogue of IND-CPA for shared-key crypto
- Played between adversary, A, and challenger
- Game:
  - Challenger runs  $\text{KeyGen}(1^n) \rightarrow (\text{PK}, \text{SK})$
  - A given PK, outputs  $m_0, m_1$
  - Challenger does  $E_{\text{PK}}(m_b) \rightarrow C$ , C given to A
  - A outputs  $b'$ . If  $b'=b$ , A wins
- A public-key encryption scheme is IND-CPA secure if for all PPT adversaries, there is a negl. function, s.t.,
$$\Pr[A(\text{PK}, n) = b'; b=b'] \leq 1/2 + \text{negl}(n)$$

# Deterministic PKE

- Deterministic PKE is CPA-insecure
- Similar to shared-key setting
- Grading example
  - Grades  $\in \{A, B, C, D, F\}$ , PK of instructor known
  - Adversary just does  $C_A = E_{PK}(A)$ ,  $C_B = E_{PK}(B)$ , ... compare with any given encrypted grade
- Duh? Was used from mid-1970s-1984

# IND-CCA Game

- Played between adversary,  $A$ , and challenger
- Game:
  - Challenger runs  $\text{KeyGen}(1^n) \rightarrow (\text{PK}, \text{SK})$
  - $A$  given  $(\text{PK}, \text{decryption oracle } \text{Dec}_{\text{SK}}(\cdot))$ , outputs  $m_0, m_1$
  - Challenger does  $E_{\text{PK}}(m_b) \rightarrow C$ ,  $C$  given to  $A$
  - $A$  queries  $\text{Dec}_{\text{SK}}(\cdot)$ , except  $A$  cannot ask decryption of  $C$
  - $A$  outputs  $b'$ . If  $b'=b$ ,  $A$  wins

# IND-CCA Game

- A public-key encryption scheme is IND-CCA secure if for all PPT adversaries, there is a negl. function, s.t.,

$$\Pr[A(\text{PK}, n) = b'; b=b'] \leq 1/2 + \text{negl}(n)$$

- “Oracle”...?
  - Just a black-box functionality<sup>1</sup>
  - Used to provide access to restricted functionalities to A
  - Here, parametrized with SK

# CPA/CCA for Multiple Encryptions

- Examines consequences of using same PK for encrypting multiple messages
- Turns out, any CPA/CCA-secure PKE scheme, *automatically* also has CPA/CCA-security for multiple messages!<sup>1</sup>
- Single-message CPA/CCA-security implies multi-message CPA/CCA-security
- Very useful result! Do proofs in simple case, strong result follows...

1: Due to Bellare et al., Crypto '98

# Hybrid Encryption

- Basic idea: setup a shared key,  $K$ , using PKE, thereafter use  $K$  for all encryption
- Motivation: PKC too slow,
- Used extensively in practice
- Functionality of PKC + efficiency of SKC
- Hybrid algorithms: Key Encapsulation Mechanism (KEM), Data Encapsulation Mechanism (DEM) schemes



# Key Encapsulation Mechanism (KEM)

- A KEM scheme consists of 3 poly-time algorithms
  - $(PK, SK) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^n)$ : randomized algorithm
  - $(C, K) \leftarrow \text{Encapsulate}(PK, 1^n, 1^k)$ : randomized,  $|K| = k$
  - $\{K, \perp\} \leftarrow \text{Decapsulate}(PK, SK, C)$ : deterministic
- It is required that  $\text{Decapsulate}_{SK}(C) \rightarrow K$ , except with negl. probability in  $n$
- DEM — just regular shared-key encryption scheme  $(E, D, K)$

# KEM/DEM Paradigm

- Let  $\Pi$  be a KEM scheme, and  $\Pi'$  be a DEM scheme. Then a hybrid encryption scheme  $\Pi^{\text{hy}}$  is defined as:
- $(\text{PK}, \text{SK}) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^n)$ : randomized
- $(C, C') \leftarrow \text{Encrypt}(\text{PK}, M)$ : randomized
  - do  $(C, K) \leftarrow \text{Encapsulate}(1^n, 1^k)$
  - do  $C' \leftarrow E_K(M)$
  - return  $(C, C')$
- $M \leftarrow \text{Decrypt}(C, C')$ : deterministic
  - do  $K \leftarrow \text{Decapsulate}(C)$
  - return  $M \leftarrow D_K(C')$