

COL759 Assignment 1

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+ 0 pts Incorrect calE' scheme. The proposed scheme either does not satisfy no.q.ss, or is closely related to calE , and hence may not be KDM insecure.

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✓ + 7 pts Correct reduction and proof of no.q.s.s for calE'

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QUESTION 4

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+ 1.5 pts 4.3: partially correct reasoning.

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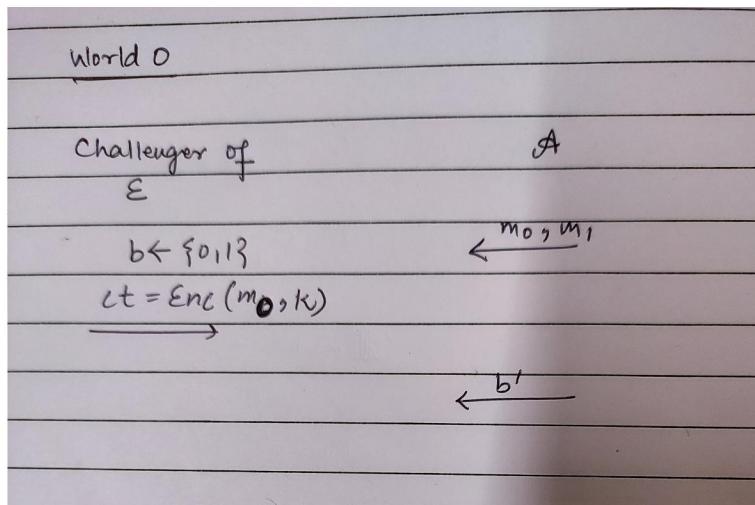
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1 Encryption Schemes with relaxed security

Solution : Given : Let $E = (\text{KeyGen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ be an encryption scheme with message space M , key space K and ciphertext space C . For any adversary A , $P[A \text{ wins the No-Query-Semantic-Security game}] \leq \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon$.

Here we will be considering an exponential time adversary A through out the solution which will be using the following strategy : If ciphertext ct is known to adversary , it can check for some message m whether ct is an encryption of message m using some key k or not.

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For World-0 let define some terminologies :

Let $S_0 = \{m_1 : \text{Enc}(m_1, k') = ct \text{ for some } k' \in K \text{ where "ct" is ciphertext of } m_0 \text{ i.e., } \text{Enc}(m_0, k) = ct\}$

Let define an Event $E_0 :=$ the message m_1 is chosen such that there exists a key k_1 such that $E(m_1, k_1) = ct$.

Let define an Event E_0^c (complement of E_0) := There does not exist any key k_1 such that $E(m_1, k_1) = ct$ for any given message m_1 .

$P(E_0 | b=0) =$ Probability that m_1 is chosen randomly from message space M and it satisfies following condition i.e., $\exists k' \in K$ such that $\text{Enc}(m_1, k') = ct$

$$\Rightarrow P(E_0 | b=0) = \frac{|S_0|}{|M|} \dots(1)$$

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$$\Rightarrow P(E_0^c | b=0) = 1 - P(E_0 | b=0) = 1 - \frac{|S_0|}{|M|} \dots(2)$$

$P(b' = 0 | E_0, b=0)$ = Probability that Adversary will predict $b' = 0$ given that E_0 occur and m_0 is encrypted by Challenger = Probability that Adversary will output ($b'=0$) randomly = $\frac{1}{2}$. $\dots(3)$

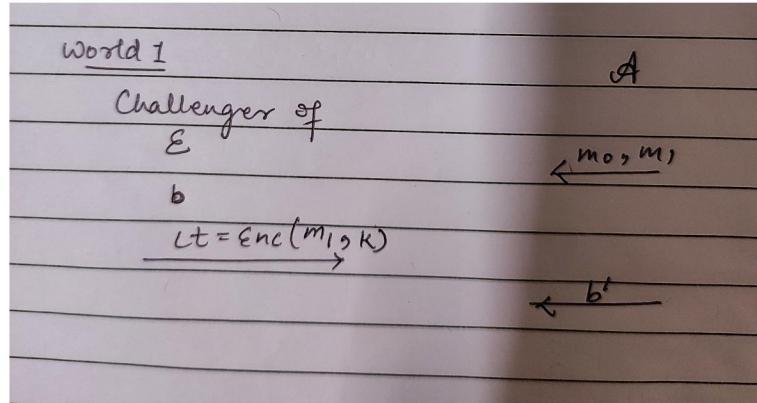
$P(b' = 0 | E_0^c, b=0)$ = Probability that Adversary will predict $b' = 0$ given that E_0^c occur and m_0 is encrypted by Challenger = 1.

In this case, since E_0^c holds, \nexists any k' such that $\text{Enc}(m_1, k') = ct$ in this case. So, the adversary A will simply output 0 with probability 1 as that is the only possibility.

$$P(b' = 0 | b = 0) = P(b' = 0 \cap E_0 | b = 0) + P(b' = 0 \cap E_0^c | b = 0) = P(b' = 0 | E_0, b = 0) * P(E_0 | b = 0) + P(b' = 0 | E_0^c, b = 0) * P(E_0^c | b = 0) \dots(5)$$

$$P(b' = 0 | b = 0) = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{|S_0|}{|M|} + 1 * (1 - \frac{|S_0|}{|M|}) = 1 - \frac{|S_0|}{2|M|} \geq 1 - \frac{|K|}{2|M|} (|S_0| \leq |K|) \dots(6)$$

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$$P(b' = 1 | b = 1) = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{|S_1|}{|M|} + 1 * (1 - \frac{|S_1|}{|M|}) = 1 - \frac{|S_1|}{2|M|} \geq 1 - \frac{|K|}{2|M|} (|S_1| \leq |K|) \dots(12)$$

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Let define total probability .

$$P [A \text{ wins the No-Query-Semantic-Security game}] = P(b' = 0 | b = 0) * P(b = 0) + P(b' = 1 | b = 1) * P(b = 1). \dots(13)$$

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$$P(b = 0) = P(b = 1) = \frac{1}{2}. \dots(14)$$

$$P [A \text{ wins the No-Query-Semantic-Security game}] = \frac{1}{2} * \{P(b' = 0 | b = 0) + P(b' = 1 | b = 1)\} \dots(15)$$

Let substitute Equation 6 and Equation 12 value into Equation 15 :

$$\begin{aligned} P [A \text{ wins the No-Query-Semantic-Security game}] &= \frac{1}{2} * \left(1 - \frac{|S_0|}{2|M|} + 1 - \frac{|S_1|}{2|M|} \right) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} * \left(1 - \frac{|K|}{2|M|} + 1 - \frac{|K|}{2|M|} \right) = 1 - \frac{|K|}{2|M|} \dots(16) \end{aligned}$$

Now as equation 13 will satisfy given condition i.e., $P [A \text{ wins the No-Query-Semantic-Security game}] \leq \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{|K|}{2|M|} \leq \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon \Rightarrow |K| \geq (1 - 2\epsilon)|M|$

Hence , Relation between $|K|$ and $|M|$ is $|K| \geq (1 - 2\epsilon)|M|$

Let now derive relation between $|C|$ and $|M|$.

Observation : We know that for any $k \in K$, $\text{Enc}(m_i, k) \neq \text{Enc}(m_j, k)$ for $i \neq j$.

Hence for each $k \in K$, we get $|M|$ distinct ciphertext from each $m \in M$ as per above observation.

Hence we can conclude that $|C| \geq |M|$

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2 Security against key recovery attacks

Solution : Given : Let $E = (\text{KeyGen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ be an encryption scheme with message space M , key space K and ciphertext space C .

We define security game between Challenger and Adversary as follows:

Key-Recovery-Security

- 1.The challenger chooses a message $m \leftarrow M$, key $k \leftarrow K$ and sends $(m, \text{Enc}(m, k))$ to the adversary.
- 2.The adversary sends its guess k' , and wins the security game if $k = k'$.

We say that E is secure against key-recovery attacks if, for every prob. poly. time adversary A , there exists a negligible function $\mu(\cdot)$ such that for all n ,

$$\Pr [A \text{ wins the Key-Recovery-Security game}] \leq \frac{1}{|K|} + \mu(n). \quad (1)$$

- (a) Solution : Encryption Scheme for Shannon's One-Time Pad is such that given $m \in M$ and $k \in K$ then $\text{Enc}(m, k) = m \oplus k$.

Now as per Key-Recovery-Security game let show that Adversary can always win with probability 1 by giving following strategy.

As adversary will receiver $(m, \text{Enc}(m, k)) = (m, m \oplus k) = (m, ct)$ form Challenger then he/she can easily recover key by doing following operation $\Rightarrow m \oplus ct = m \oplus (m \oplus k) = k$.

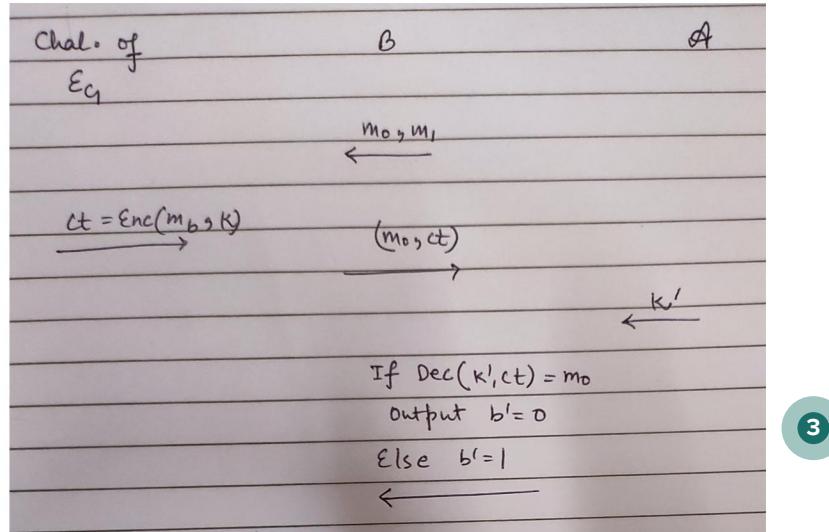
As $\Pr [A \text{ wins the Key-Recovery-Security game}] = 1$, this does not satisfy the given condition (1) of Key-Recovery-Security.

Hence , Shannon's One-Time Pad is not secure against key recovery attacks.

- (b) Solution : Given : $G : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{100n}$ be a secure pseudorandom generator.

To show : the encryption scheme E_G (with key space $K = \{0, 1\}^n$ and message space $M = \{0, 1\}^{100n}$) satisfies Key-Recovery-Security, assuming G is a secure

PRG .



We will show that encryption scheme E_G is secure using construction method , let construct a game which include One challenger C , an Adversary B for encryption scheme of PRG G and Adversary A for encryption scheme E_G .

1. First B will send two messages m_0 and m_1 to challenger of E.
2. The challenger will send ciphertext $ct = \text{Enc}(m_b, k)$ for some $k \in K$ and $b \in \{0,1\}$ such that $ct = m_b \oplus G(k)$.
3. Now B will send (m_0, ct) to A where ct is the same ciphertext which B has received from Challenger of E.
4. A will return a key $k' \in K$ to B.
5. Now B will check if $G(k') \oplus ct = m_0$, then it will output $b' = 0$ else output $b' = 1$ where k' is key send by A in step 4 and ct is ciphertext receive by B at step 2 .

Let define Event E := The key k' send by A match with key k used by Challenger of E for encryption i.e., this condition hold $G(k') \oplus ct = m_0$

Let define Event E^c (E complement) as follows : The key k' send by A do not

match with key k used by Challenger of E for encryption i.e., this condition do not hold $G(k') \oplus ct = m_0$

let define : $p = \Pr [k=k']$.

$P(b'=0 | E, b = 0)$ = Probability that E occur (basically key predicted by A matches with key used by challenger) given that m_0 is encrypted by challenger = 1 . ..(1)

$P(b'=0 | E^c, b = 0)$ =Probability that E^c occur given $b(=0) = 0$..(2)

$P(b' = 0 | b = 0) = P(b' = 0 \wedge E | b = 0) + P(b' = 0 \wedge E^c | b = 0) = P(b' = 0 | E, b = 0) * P(E | b = 0) + P(b' = 0 | E^c, b = 0) * P(E^c | b = 0) = 1 * p + (1 - p) * 0 = p$..(3)

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. This follows from the fact that for a given ciphertext ct , we can have maximum $|K|$ messages which can encrypt to ct through some key k .

$P(b'=1 | E_0, b = 1)$ = Probability that E_0 occur (basically key predicted by A matches with key used by challenger) given that m_1 is encrypted by challenger = 1 . ..(4)

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Let substitute Equation 3 and Equation 6 value into Equation 9 :

$$\Pr[A \text{ wins the No-Query-SS game}] = \frac{1}{2}(p + 1-p') \leq \frac{1}{2} + \mu(n). \dots(10)$$

(Using the Semantic Secure Definition of)

Further solving we will get : $p \leq 2\mu(n) + p' \leq 2\mu(n) + \frac{|K|}{|M|} = 2\mu(n) + \frac{2^n}{2^{100n}} \leq 2\mu(n) + \frac{1}{2^n}$. Since, $p \leq \frac{1}{|K|} + 2\mu(n)$, we have \mathcal{E}_g satisfying the key-recovery security game.

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3 Bad Disk Encryption

We are given an encryption scheme $\mathcal{E} = (\text{KeyGen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ with message space $\{0, 1\}^{\leq \ell}$ and key space $\{0, 1\}^n$, where $\ell > n$ and \mathcal{E} is semantically secure.

We define our encryption scheme $\mathcal{E}' = (\text{KeyGen}, \text{Enc}', \text{Dec}')$ as follows:

$\text{Enc}'(m, k)$
If $ m \geq n$ and $m[1 : n] = k$:
Output $0 \parallel m[n + 1 : m]$
Else:
Output $1 \parallel \text{Enc}(m, k)$

$\text{Dec}'(ct, k)$
If $ct[1] = 0$:
Output $k \parallel ct[2 : ct]$
Else:
Output $\text{Dec}(ct[2 : ct], k)$

Part(a) Proof for correctness

- **Case - I** When $|m| < n$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} ct &= \text{Enc}'(m, k) = 1 \parallel \text{Enc}(m, k) \\ \text{Dec}'(ct, k) &= \text{Dec}(ct[2 : |ct|], k) \\ &= \text{Dec}(\text{Enc}(m, k), k) \text{ where } ct[2 : |ct|] = \text{Enc}(m, k) \\ &= m \end{aligned}$$

- **Case - II** When $|m| \geq n$, we have

Subpart(a) When $m[1 : n] = k$

$$\begin{aligned} ct &= \text{Enc}'(m, k) = 0 \parallel m[n + 1 : |m|] \\ \text{Dec}'(ct, k) &= k \parallel ct[2 : |ct|] \text{ since } ct[1] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Here, $k = m[1 : n]$ and $ct[2 : |ct|] = m[n + 1 : |m|]$ because of the way we encrypted the message m .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dec}'(ct, k) &= m[1 : n] \parallel m[n + 1 : |m|] \\ &= m \end{aligned}$$

Subpart(b) When $m[1 : n] \neq k$

$$\begin{aligned} ct &= \text{Enc}'(m, k) = 1 \parallel \text{Enc}(m, k) \\ \text{Dec}'(ct, k) &= \text{Dec}(ct[2 : |ct|], k) \\ &= \text{Dec}(\text{Enc}(m, k), k) \text{ where } ct[2 : |ct|] = \text{Enc}(m, k) \\ &= m \end{aligned}$$

Proved

Part(b) Proof for semantic security of \mathcal{E}'

- For this, we assume that there is an adversary \mathcal{A} that can break the semantic security of \mathcal{E}' and then using \mathcal{A} , we produce another adversary \mathcal{B} that breaks the semantic security \mathcal{E} .

Let p_0 and p_1 be the probability that adversary \mathcal{A} outputs 0 in World 0 and World 1 of encryption scheme \mathcal{E}' . We formulate two worlds : World 0 and World 1 described as follows:

1. Adversary \mathcal{B} sends m_0, m_1 to Challenger of \mathcal{E} .
2. Challenger of \mathcal{E} sends $ct = \text{Enc}'(m_b, k)$ where $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$
3. \mathcal{B} forwards $ct' = 1 \parallel ct$ to the adversary \mathcal{A} of \mathcal{E}' .
4. Now, \mathcal{A} outputs b' which it forwards to \mathcal{B} .
5. \mathcal{A} forwards b' to Challenger of \mathcal{E} .

* **World₀**

* Here, the adversary \mathcal{B} chooses two messages m_0 and m_1 such that $|m_0| = |m_1| > n$ and sends to the challenger of \mathcal{E} . The challenger sends the ciphertext $ct = \text{Enc}(m_0, k)$. After the adversary \mathcal{B} receives the ciphertext ct , \mathcal{B} sends $1 \parallel ct$ to adversary \mathcal{A} (of encryption scheme \mathcal{E}'). The adversary \mathcal{A} sends b' to adversary \mathcal{B} which it forwards to challenger of \mathcal{E} . We find out $\Pr(b' = 0 | b = 0)$ as follows:

$$1. \Pr(b' = 0 | b = 0) = \Pr(b' = 0 \wedge m_0[1:n] = k | b = 0) + \Pr(b' = 0 \wedge m_0[1:n] \neq k | b = 0)$$

$$2. \Pr(b' = 0 \wedge m_0[1:n] = k | b = 0) = \Pr(b' = 0 | m_0[1:n] = k, b = 0) \times \Pr(m_0[1:n] = k | b = 0) = \frac{1}{2^n} \Pr(b' = 0 | m_0[1:n] = k, b = 0) = \frac{1}{2^n} p \text{ where } p = \Pr(b' = 0 | m_0[1:n] = k, b = 0). \text{ Note that in this case probability of outputting 0 is not same as } p_0 \text{ because the adversary } \mathcal{A} \text{ expects } 0 \parallel m_0[n+1 : |m_0|] \text{ but it gets } 1 \parallel \text{Enc}(m_0, k). \text{ So, we assume that the probability of outputting 0 is some } p \text{ in this case.}$$

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$$3. \Pr(b' = 0 \wedge m_1[1 : n] \neq k | b = 1) = \Pr(b' = 0 | m_1[1:n] \neq k, b = 1) \times \Pr(m_1[1 : n] \neq k | b = 1) = \frac{1}{2^n} \Pr(b' = 0 | m_1[1 : n] \neq k, b = 1) = (1 - \frac{1}{2^n}) p_1$$

$$4. \Pr(b' = 0 | b = 1) = \frac{1}{2^n} p' + (1 - \frac{1}{2^n}) p_1$$

Now, $|\Pr(b' = 0 | b = 0) - \Pr(b' = 0 | b = 1)| = |\frac{1}{2^n}(p - p') + (1 - \frac{1}{2^n}) \times (p_0 - p_1)|$. Since, $|p_0 - p_1|$ is non-negligible and $\frac{1}{2^n}(p - p')$, $\frac{1}{2^n}(p_0 - p_1)$ are negligible. Thus, the overall expression is non-negligible. This proves that adversary B breaks the semantic security of \mathcal{E} .

But \mathcal{E} is semantically secure, this proves that our assumption that \mathcal{E}' is not semantically secure is false. This proves that \mathcal{E}' is semantically secure.

Part(c) \mathcal{E}' is not secure against KDM

- Here, we produce the adversary \mathcal{A} which break the KDM security of \mathcal{E}' . \mathcal{A} sends two messages m_0 and m_1 (distinct) to the challenger of the KDM security game of \mathcal{E}' . The ciphertext ct , adversary \mathcal{A} receives is $\text{Enc}'(k || m_b, k) = m_b$ (Follows from our encryption algorithm). When adversary \mathcal{A} receives ct , it compares ct with message m_0 and m_1 and outputs 0 if $ct = m_0$ and 1 if $ct = m_1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] &= \frac{1}{2} \Pr(b' = 0 | b = 0) + \frac{1}{2} \Pr(b' = 1 | b = 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times 1 + \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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+ 0 pts Incorrect calE' scheme. The proposed scheme either does not satisfy no.q.ss, or is closely related to \calE, and hence may not be KDM insecure.

✓ + 4 pts Correct \calE'

+ 3 pts Partial proof of no.q.s.s. for \calE'

✓ + 7 pts Correct reduction and proof of no.q.s.s for \calE'

✓ + 4 pts correct KDM attack

4 Bit Commitment Schemes from PRGs

- 1. Proof that the commitment scheme satisfies the hiding property.

World 0

1. Adversary \mathcal{A} sends m to Challenger.
2. Challenger sends $ct = G(k)$
3. \mathcal{A} forwards b' to Challenger of \mathcal{E} .

$$p_0 = \Pr(b' = 0)$$

World 1

1. Adversary \mathcal{A} sends m to Challenger.
2. Challenger sends $ct = m \oplus G(k)$
3. \mathcal{A} forwards b' to Challenger of \mathcal{E} .

$$p_1 = \Pr(b' = 0)$$

Hybrid World

1. Adversary \mathcal{A} sends m to Challenger.
2. Challenger chooses $r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{3n}$ and sends $ct = m \oplus r$
3. \mathcal{A} forwards b' to Challenger of \mathcal{E} .

$$p_{hyb} = \Pr(b' = 0)$$

We proceed by assuming that the commitment scheme is not secured against Hiding game and adversary \mathcal{A} can break the hiding security of the scheme. i.e. $|p_0 - p_1| \geq \mu(n)$ for some non-negligible functions $\mu(n)$. This means either $p_0 - p_{hyb}$ is non-negligible or $p_{hyb} - p_1$ is non-negligible.

Thus, The reduction algorithm \mathcal{B} interacts with the PRG challenger and the adversary \mathcal{A} . It chooses a uniformly random bit β (this bit decides whether it guesses $p_0 - p_{hyb}$ is non-negligible, or $p_{hyb} - p_1$ and does the following:

- If $\beta = 0$, the reduction algorithm guesses that $p_0 - p_{hyb}$ is non-negligible. We first prove that the ciphertext ct that the adversary \mathcal{A} receives in the hybrid world is also random if r chosen is random. Let s_1 and s_2 be any random string from $\{0, 1\}^{3n}$.

$$\Pr(ct = s_1) = \Pr(m \oplus r = s_1) = \Pr(r = m \oplus s_1)$$

$$\Pr(ct = s_2) = \Pr(m \oplus r = s_2) = \Pr(r = m \oplus s_2)$$
 Since, $\Pr(r = m \oplus s_1) = \Pr(r = m \oplus s_2) \implies \Pr(ct = s_1) = \Pr(ct = s_2)$.

This proves that ciphertext ct being output in the hybrid world is also random(in distribution). Now, since the adversary \mathcal{A} can distinguish between World 0 and Hybrid world, we know that the adversary \mathcal{A} is able to distinguish between $G(k)$ and a random output r .

The reduction algorithm \mathcal{B} works as follows in this case:

1. The challenger of PRG G chooses $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$ sends u_b to \mathcal{B} .
 2. \mathcal{B} forwards u_b to adversary \mathcal{A} .
 3. \mathcal{A} outputs b' .
 4. \mathcal{B} forwards b' to Challenger.
- $\Pr(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \mid \beta = 0) = \frac{1}{2} \Pr(b' = 0 \mid b = 0) + \frac{1}{2} \Pr(b' = 1 \mid b = 1) = \frac{1}{2}p_0 + \frac{1}{2}(1 - p_{hyb})$.

- If $\beta = 1$, the reduction algorithm guesses that $p_{hyb} - p_1$ is non-negligible.

The reduction algorithm \mathcal{B} works as follows in this case:

1. The challenger of PRG G chooses $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$ sends u_b to \mathcal{B} .
2. \mathcal{B} chooses some random message $m \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{3n}$ forwards $u_b \oplus m$ to adversary \mathcal{A} .
3. \mathcal{A} outputs b' .
4. \mathcal{B} forwards $1 - b'$ to Challenger.

The above algorithm works because the adversary \mathcal{A} will be able to distinguish the case $b = 0$ and $b = 1$. When $b = 0$, \mathcal{A} works as per world 1 and when $b = 1$, \mathcal{A} works as per hybrid world. Since, the adversary is able to distinguish between World 1 and Hybrid world, it is able to distinguish between $G(k)$ and r .

$$\Pr(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \mid \beta = 1) = \frac{1}{2} \Pr(\mathcal{B} \text{ outputs } 0 \mid b = 0) + \frac{1}{2} \Pr(\mathcal{B} \text{ outputs } 1 \mid b = 1) = \frac{1}{2} \Pr(b' = 1 \mid b = 0) + \frac{1}{2} \Pr(b' = 0 \mid b = 1) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - p_1) + \frac{1}{2}p_{hyb}$$

$$\Pr(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}) = \Pr(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \wedge \beta = 0) + \Pr(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \wedge \beta = 1) = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}p_0 + \frac{1}{2}(1 - p_{hyb})) + \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}(1 - p_1) + \frac{1}{2}p_{hyb}) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{(p_0 - p_1)}{4}.$$

Since, $p_0 - p_1$ is non-negligible, we have $\Pr(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}) - \frac{1}{2}$ is non-negligible.

This is a contradiction because \mathcal{E} is semantically secure. Thus, our assumption that he commitment scheme is not secured against Hiding game is false.

- **2. Proof that the commitment scheme satisfies the binding property for any choice of G .**

In the binding game, the challenger chooses the r-msg and sends to \mathcal{A} . Adversary sends the commitment com, with two openings op_0 and op_1 . Adversary wins if $\text{CheckOpen}(\text{r-msg}, \text{com}, op_0, 0) = \text{CheckOpen}(\text{r-msg}, \text{com}, op_1, 1) = 1$. In the given bit commitment scheme, when $b = 0$, we have $\text{com} = G(op_0)$ and when $b = 1$, we have $\text{com} = G(op_1) \oplus \text{r-msg}$. For adversary to win, $G(op_1) \oplus \text{r-msg} = G(op_0)$ must hold which can also be written as $G(op_1) \oplus G(op_0) = \text{r-msg}$. Now, $\Pr(\text{Adversary wins}) = \Pr(G(op_1) \oplus G(op_0) = \text{r-msg}) \leq (2^n \cdot 2^n)/2^{3n} = \frac{1}{2^n}$. This follows because $|G(K)| \leq 2^n$. Since, $\frac{1}{2^n}$ is negligible, we have $\Pr(\text{Adversary wins})$ is negligible.

3. When Commit-Rec simply outputs an empty message, and Commit-Send chooses r-msg, the binding property would break. This follows because now adversary is free to choose r-msg, op_0 and op_1 of his choice.

The adversary \mathcal{A} simply chooses $r\text{-msg} = 0^{3n}$ and then randomly chooses op_0 and sets $op_1 = op_0$. In this case, $G(op_0) = G(op_1) = G(op_1) \oplus 0^{3n} = G(op_1) \oplus r\text{-msg}$. Thus, the adversary wins with probability 1 in this case.

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✓ + 6 pts Hiding property - complete proof.

+ 4 pts Hiding property - correct hybrids, incomplete reductions

+ 3 pts Hiding property - complete hybrids, but no reductions described.

+ 2 pts 4.1 Partially correct, incomplete analysis

+ 1 pts Hiding property - no reductions described.

✓ + 6 pts Binding property - correct proof

+ 3 pts Binding property - some missing steps/proof details

✓ + 3 pts 4.3: correct reasoning

+ 1.5 pts 4.3: partially correct reasoning.

+ 1 pts only stated which property is violated, without proper justification

+ 0 pts 4.3 unattempted/incorrect

④ there is no ciphertext in this game

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