

Crypto Assignment 2

1. Suppose  $F: \{0,1\}^n \Rightarrow \{0,1\}^{2n}$  is a PRG that is also an injection. Define G to be a deterministic polynomial-time algorithm such that for any n and any input  $s \in \{0,1\}^n$ , the output G(s) is F(s)||s.

Find a distinguisher such that for any negligible function  $\text{negl}$   
 $|Pr[D(G(s))=1] - Pr[D(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$  is false.

Let D be a distinguisher as follows:  
For any input X to D, let Y be the last n digits of X and Z be the first 2n digits of X. D outputs 1 if and only if  $F(Y) \oplus Z = 0^{2n}$ , that is, if F(Y)=Z.

For any input string s, since F is an injective function, by definition F(s) = F(s). Since the output of G(s) is F(s)||s, we can say  $F(s)||s = Z||Y$  and  $F(Y) = Z$ , and so D outputs 1 for all input strings s. Therefore  $Pr[D(G(s))=1] = 1$

Since F is a PRG, when the input to D is a randomly and uniformly selected string  $r = Z||Y$ , F(Y) will be indistinguishable from a randomly selected string from  $\{0,1\}^{2n}$ , and so

$$Pr[D(r)=1] = Pr[F(Y) \oplus Z = 0^{2n}] = \frac{1}{2^n} \text{ since for each ith of 2n digits there is a } \frac{1}{2} \text{ probability}$$

that the ith digit of F(Y) equals the ith digit of Y.

We can then say that  $|Pr[D(G(s))=1] - Pr[D(r)=1]| \geq 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$  and so  
 $|Pr[D(G(s))=1] - Pr[D(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$  is false. Therefore G is not a PRG.

2.

Prove that  $|Pr[D^{F_k(\cdot)}(1^n)=1] - Pr[D^{f(\cdot)}(1^n)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$  does not hold.

For all messages x, let  $y = F_k(0||x)$ . Pick any  $x_1 \in \{0,1\}^{n-1}$ . Obtain  $y_1 = F_k(0||x_1)$ . Let D be a distinguisher that takes a message Z of length 3n, and outputs 1 iff  $A = \text{NOT}(B)$  where A is the first n bits of Z and B is the next n bits of Z.

By definition, for any input x,  $G_k(x)[0:n] = \text{NOT}(G_k(x)[n+1:2n])$ . Therefore

$$Pr[D^{F_k(\cdot)}(1^n)=1] = 1 \text{ is true.}$$

On the other hand, since f is uniformly chosen from Func<sub>n</sub>, f(x<sub>1</sub>) is a uniformly chosen random string of length 3n. Therefore  $Pr[D^{f(\cdot)}(1^n)=1] = \frac{1}{2^{3n}}$ . Then

$$|Pr[D^{F_k(\cdot)}(1^n)=1] - Pr[D^{f(\cdot)}(1^n)=1]| = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{3n}} > \text{negl}(n) \text{ and } G_k(x) \text{ is not a PFF.}$$

3.

Show that the scheme is not EAV-Secure.

Let  $m_0 = 00$  and  $m_1 = 01$ . In the adversarial indistinguishability experiment, the experiment uniformly selects  $b \in \{0,1\}$  and generates  $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}_k(m_b)$ . Let A be an adversary that outputs 1 iff the final bit of c is 1, that is  $A(c) = c_{|c|-1}$ . From the definition of  $\Pi'$ ,

$\text{Enc}_k'(m) = \text{Enc}_k(m) \oplus \text{xor}(m)$ . Since  $00 \oplus 0 = 0$  and  $01 \oplus 1 = 1$ ,  $\text{Enc}_k'(m_0)$  will end with 0 and  $\text{Enc}_k'(m_1)$  will end with 1. Therefore when  $b=0$ ,  $b'=0$  and when  $b=1$ ,  $b'=1$ .

The adversary is always right, so we can say that  $Pr[\text{PrivK}_{A,\Pi}^{\text{eav}}(2)=1] = 1 > \frac{1}{2} + \text{negl}(2)$  and so  $\Pi'$  is not EAV-secure.

4.

Prove  $|Pr[D(G'(s))=1] - Pr[D(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$  (1) for any PPT algorithm D.

Since G is a PRG with expansion factor l(n) for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , we can say that

$$|Pr[D(G(s))=1] - Pr[D(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n) \text{ (2) for any PPT algorithm D.}$$

For any PPT distinguisher D, let D' be an algorithm defined as  $D'(s) = D(\text{NOT}(s))$  for all s where  $|s| > 0$ . That is, D' produces the output that D(s) would, if D had been run on an input of NOT(s). Since (2) holds for any distinguisher including any D', the following sequence holds:

- $|Pr[D'(G(s))=1] - Pr[D'(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n) \Rightarrow$
- $|Pr[D'(\text{NOT } G'(s))=1] - Pr[D'(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n) \Rightarrow$  Since  $G(s) = \text{NOT}(G'(s))$
- $|Pr[D(G'(s))=1] - Pr[D'(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$  (3) Since  $D'(s) = D(\text{NOT}(s))$

Further,  $Pr[D'(r)=1] = Pr[D(\text{NOT}(r))=1]$  By the definition of D'. Since r is uniformly and randomly selected from  $\{0,1\}^{l(n)}$ ,  $Pr[D(\text{NOT}(r))=1] = Pr[D(r)=1]$

Plugging these in to equation (3), we arrive at the original formula, which was assumed to be true at the start. I.E.  $|Pr[D(G(s))=1] - Pr[D(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$  is equivalent to

$$|Pr[D(G'(s))=1] - Pr[D(r)=1]| \leq \text{negl}(n) \text{ and therefore } G'(s) \text{ is a PRG for all s where } |s| > 0.$$

5a.

Show that for each  $n \geq 6$ ,  $\text{Dec}_k(\text{Enc}_k(m)) = m$  for each  $m \in \{0,1\}^n$ .

By definition  $(c,l) = \text{Enc}_k(m) = (m \oplus k \oplus l, l)$  and  $\text{Dec}_k(c,l) = c \oplus k \oplus l$

So  $\text{Dec}_k(\text{Enc}_k(m)) = \text{Dec}_k(m \oplus k \oplus l, l) = (m \oplus k \oplus l) \oplus k \oplus l$

Note that the XOR operation is commutative, associative, is an identity element, and is a self-inverse.  
Therefore

- $(m \oplus k \oplus l) \oplus k \oplus l \Rightarrow m \oplus k \oplus l \oplus k \oplus l$  By associativity
- $m \oplus k \oplus l \oplus k \oplus l \Rightarrow m \oplus k \oplus k \oplus l \oplus l$  By commutativity
- $m \oplus k \oplus l \oplus k \oplus l \Rightarrow m \oplus (k \oplus k) \oplus (l \oplus l)$  By associativity
- $m \oplus (k \oplus k) \oplus (l \oplus l) \Rightarrow m \oplus 0 \oplus 0$  By self-inverse
- $m \oplus 0 \oplus 0 \Rightarrow m$  By identity

Therefore  $\text{Dec}_k(\text{Enc}_k(m)) = m$  for each  $m \in \{0,1\}^n$ .

5b.

Prove that the following equation does not hold:  $Pr[\text{PrivK}_{A,\Pi}^{\text{mult}}(n)=1] \leq \frac{1}{2} + \text{negl}(n)$

Let A be an adversary that chooses  $M_0 = (0^n, 0^n)$  and  $M_1 = (0^n, 1^n)$ . A's strategy for guessing b is: A outputs  $b'=0$  iff  $c_0 \oplus c_1$  contains exactly two 1 bits and otherwise outputs  $b'=1$ .

The probability that this experiment outputs 1 is equal to the probability that b=0 and  $c_0 \oplus c_1$  contains exactly two 1 bits plus the probability that b=1 and  $c_0 \oplus c_1$  does not contains exactly two 1 bits.

This probably isn't typical mathematical notation, but I will denote a string s containing exactly two 1 bits as  $\Sigma s = 2$ . And so,

$$Pr[\text{PrivK}_{A,\Pi}^{\text{mult}}(n)=1] = Pr[b=0] \cdot Pr[\Sigma(c_0 \oplus c_1)=2] + Pr[b=1] \cdot Pr[\Sigma(c_0 \oplus c_1) \neq 2]$$

Note that  $Pr[b=0] = Pr[b=1] = \frac{1}{2}$

From the scheme definition,  $c_0 \oplus c_1 = (m_0 \oplus k \oplus l_0) \oplus (m_1 \oplus k \oplus l_1)$ . Note that l is chosen uniformly and randomly at encryption time, so l<sub>0</sub> does not necessarily equal l<sub>1</sub>. As a result of the method by which l is picked, there is a  $\frac{1}{n}$  chance that  $l_0 = l_1$  and a  $\frac{n-1}{n}$  chance that  $l_0 \neq l_1$ .

Where  $l_0 = l_1$ ,  $c_0 \oplus c_1 = (m_0 \oplus k \oplus l_0) \oplus (m_1 \oplus k \oplus l_1) = m_0 \oplus m_1$  and where  $l_0 \neq l_1$ ,  $c_0 \oplus c_1 = (m_0 \oplus k \oplus l_0) \oplus (m_1 \oplus k \oplus l_1) = m_0 \oplus m_1 \oplus l_0 \oplus l_1$ . In the latter case, because each l contains exactly one 1 bit,  $l_0 \oplus l_1$  must be a string that contains exactly two 1 bits, I.E.  $\Sigma(l_0 \oplus l_1) = 2$

Determine the probabilities that the experiment outputs 1 in each case: b=0 and b=1

**Case b=0:**

Find the probability that  $c_0 \oplus c_1$  contains exactly two 1 bits,  $Pr[\Sigma(c_0 \oplus c_1)=2]$ . As previously proven, when  $l_0 = l_1$ ,  $c_0 \oplus c_1 = m_0 \oplus m_1 = 0^n$  which has no 1 bits. However, when  $l_0 \neq l_1$ ,

$c_0 \oplus c_1 = 0^n \oplus l_0 \oplus l_1$ . Since  $l_0 \oplus l_1$  contains exactly two 1 bits when  $l_0 \neq l_1$ ,  $c_0 \oplus c_1 = 0^n \oplus l_0 \oplus l_1$  must also be a string with exactly two 1 bits when  $n \geq 2$ . So the probability that A guessed correctly when b=0 and  $n \geq 2$  is  $Pr[l_0 \neq l_1] = \frac{n-1}{n}$ .

**Case b=1:**

Find the probability that  $c_0 \oplus c_1$  does not contains exactly two 1 bits,  $Pr[\Sigma(c_0 \oplus c_1) \neq 2]$ . Once again, when  $l_0 = l_1$ ,  $c_0 \oplus c_1 = m_0 \oplus m_1$ , however here  $m_0 \oplus m_1 = 0^n \oplus 1^n = 1^n$ , so  $c_0 \oplus c_1 = 1^n$ , which does not contain exactly two 1 bits when  $n \neq 2$ . However, when  $l_0 \neq l_1$ ,

$c_0 \oplus c_1 = m_0 \oplus m_1 \oplus l_0 \oplus l_1 = 1^n \oplus l_0 \oplus l_1$ . Since  $l_0 \oplus l_1$  contains exactly two 1 bits when  $l_0 \neq l_1$ ,  $c_0 \oplus c_1 = 1^n \oplus l_0 \oplus l_1$  will not have exactly two 1 bits when  $n \neq 4$ . Therefore when  $n \geq 5$ , the

probability that A guessed correctly when b=1 is  $Pr[l_0 \neq l_1] + Pr[l_0 = l_1] = \frac{n-1}{n} + \frac{1}{n} = 1$

Therefore

$$Pr[\text{PrivK}_{A,\Pi}^{\text{mult}}(n)=1] = \frac{1}{2} Pr[l_0 \neq l_1] + \frac{1}{2} 1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{n-1}{n} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2n-1}{n} \right) = \frac{2n-1}{2n} \geq \frac{9}{10} > \frac{1}{2} + \text{negl}(n) \text{ for } n \geq 5$$

This is trivially also true for  $n \geq 6$ . Therefore the scheme does not have indistinguishable multiple encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper.

And I didn't even need to use the hint.