

Figure 1 (Problem 1)

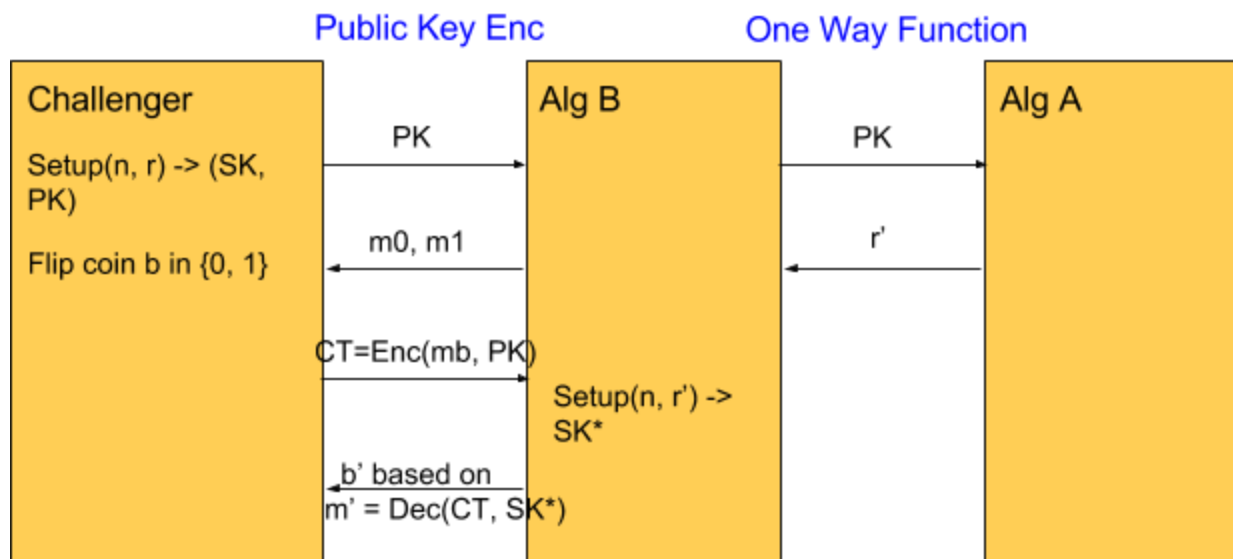
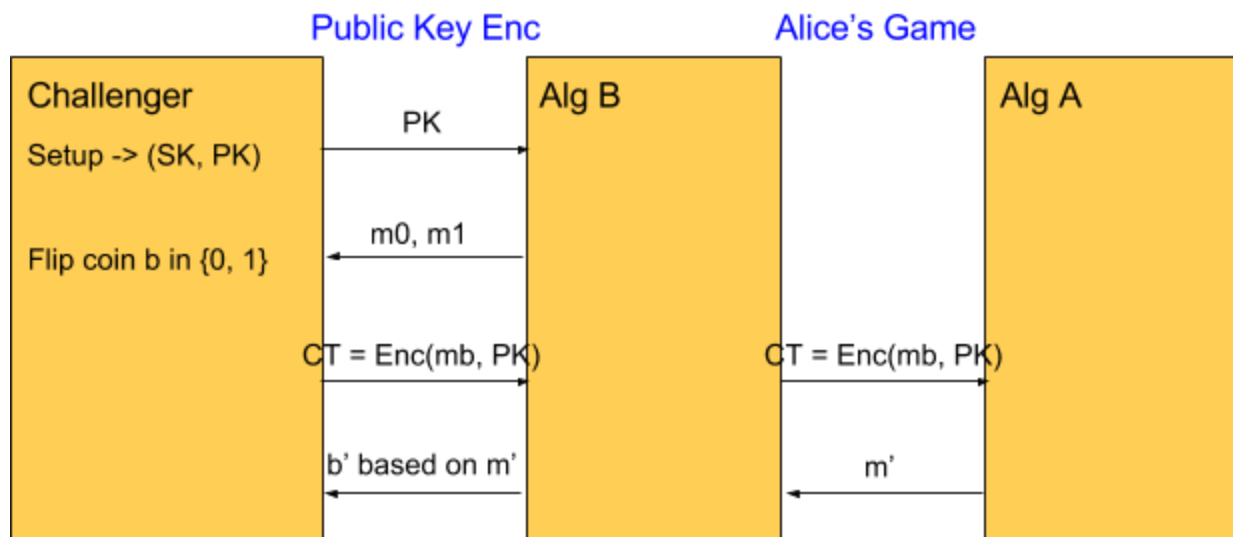


Figure 2 (Problem 3)



### 1. One-Way Function

We design our function to be

$$f(r) = PK$$

where  $r$  is the random bits fed to *Setup* and  $PK$  is the public key generated by *Setup*. The function domain is  $r \in \{0, 1\}^n$  and the range is the public key space in *Setup*.

We prove the function is one-way using the reduction shown in Figure 1. Suppose there is an algorithm  $A$  that has advantage telling the input  $x$  of our function  $f(x)$ . Then, we construct an algorithm  $B$  to show that the public key encryption scheme would no longer be secure either. In the reduction, the challenger runs *Setup* and sends out public key  $PK$  through  $B$  to the attacker  $A$ .  $B$  then sends two messages,  $m_0$  and  $m_1$ , in exchange to a ciphertext that is encrypted from one of them depending on the result of flipping a fair coin. The returned  $r'$  from  $A$  of guess random bits can be used to recover a secret key  $SK^*$  to decrypt the ciphertext from the challenger. If the ciphertext is decrypted to either  $m_0$  or  $m_1$ ,  $B$  sends 0 or 1 to the challenger, respectively; otherwise,  $B$  sends back a random bit. From the reduction, because we know that the public key encryption is secure, we are ensured that our function is one-way.

### 2. Attack on $(m + r)^d$

First, we can observe that this variant of RSA does not satisfy the typical security definition for signatures. Because  $r$  is a known part of the signature, when we query for  $(m + r)^d$ , we know  $(m + r)$  as well, which makes the scheme as venerable as the one concerning  $m^d$ .

Here is one way to attack this scheme in which we can forge a signature for a message that we have not queried before. First, we query  $\sigma = (m + r)^d$ . Then, for message  $m' = m^2$ , we set  $r' = 2mr + r^2$ . Because  $\sigma^* = (m' + r')^d = (m^2 + 2mr + r^2)^d = (m + r)^{2d} = \sigma^2$ , if we square the queried result  $\sigma$ , we get a valid signature  $\sigma^*$  for the message  $m'$  with some  $r'$ .

### 3. Bob's Imposter

The imposter can only fool Alice if the message space  $M$  is small. In that case, the imposter performs a brute force search for all  $m \in M$  and finds the one that encrypts to the ciphertext. Otherwise, we provide a reduction that proves the security of Alice's game given the IND-CPA security of *Setup*, *Encrypt*, and *Decrypt*.

In the reduction shown in Figure 2, we suppose that there exists an attacker  $A$  who can break Alice's game. The challenger first sends the public key, and  $B$  sends two messages  $m_0$  and  $m_1$ . When the challenger sends out the encrypted message,  $A$  returns the claimed original message as  $m'$ . If  $m'$  is the same as either  $m_0$  or  $m_1$ ,  $B$  sends 0 or 1 to the challenger, respectively; otherwise,  $B$  sends back a random bit. We see that, if Alice's game is broken, then the public key scheme would also be insecure, which is a contradiction.

### 4. Three-Party Shared Key

First, Alice and Bob get the shared key between them two,  $g^{ab}$ , just like the regular two-party Diffie-Hellman. Then, both of them obtain  $x = H(g^{ab})$  using the publicly known hash function  $H : G \rightarrow Z_q$ . Receiving  $g^x$ , Charlie raises it to  $(g^x)^c$  with his secret key  $c$ . Alice and Bob receive  $g^c$  from Charlie, and compute  $(g^c)^x$  with  $x = H(g^{ab})$ .

First of all, the three-party shared key scheme is correct. Because

$$(g^x)^c = (g^c)^x = g^{xc},$$

each party ends up having the same key  $g^{xc}$ .

In addition, we claim that the three-party shared key scheme is secure. An eavesdropper in the middle of their communications can obtain  $g$ ,  $g^a$ ,  $g^b$ ,  $g^c$ ,  $g^x$ , and  $g^{xc}$ . Therefore, the scheme is secure if an attacker cannot distinguish between the two following distributions:

$$D_1 : g, g^a, g^b, g^c, g^x, g^{xc};$$

$$D_2 : g, g^a, g^b, g^c, g^{t_1}, g^{t_2}.$$

We find a third distribution to help bridge the gap between the two distributions:

$$D_3 : g, g^a, g^b, g^c, g^{t_1}, g^{t_1c}.$$

First, the listener is not able to distinguish  $D_3$  from  $D_1$  under the Diffie-Hellman assumption. Because the hash function is assumed to randomly map to an element in  $Z_q$ , in the following proof, we consider  $x = H(g^{ab})$  as a random element from  $Z_q$ . We construct a reduction as follows. Suppose there exists an attacker  $A$  who gains advantage distinguishing  $D_3$  from  $D_1$ , and an algorithm  $B$  between  $A$  and the challenger. The challenger flips a fair coin and sends  $g, g^s, g^{t_1}$  and  $g^T$ , where  $s * t_1 = x$  and  $T$  is either  $x$  or a random  $t_1$  depending on the result of the coin.  $B$  will pick a random  $c \in Z_p$  and sends

$$g, g^a, g^b, g^c, g^T, g^{Tc}.$$

Consequently, the sent distribution is either  $D_1$  or  $D_3$ . The attacker then sends back the guess  $b'$  back to  $B$  and the challenger.  $x = H(g^{ab})$  should not be distinguishable from  $t_1$  and  $Pr[A \rightarrow 1 \mid D_1] - Pr[A \rightarrow 1 \mid D_3] = \text{negl}(n)$ .

Second, the listener is not able to distinguish  $D_3$  from  $D_2$  either. In our second reduction, we suppose there exists an attacker  $A$  who gains advantage distinguishing  $D_3$  from  $D_2$ , and an algorithm  $B$  between  $A$  and the challenger. The challenger flips a fair coin and sends  $g, g^{t_1}, g^c$ , and  $g^T$ , where  $T$  is either a random  $t_2$  or  $t_1c$  depending on the result of the coin.  $B$  will pick a random  $c \in Z_p$  and a random  $t_1 \in Z_p$ .  $B$  then sends

$$g, g^a, g^b, g^c, g^{t_1}, g^T$$

Consequently, the sent distribution is either  $D_2$  or  $D_3$ . The attacker then sends back the guess  $b'$  back to  $B$  and the challenger.  $t_2$  should not be distinguishable from  $t_1c$ , and  $Pr[A \rightarrow 1 \mid D_3] - Pr[A \rightarrow 1 \mid D_2] = \text{negl}(n)$ .

Therefore, it must be the case that  $Pr[A \rightarrow 1 \mid D_1] - Pr[A \rightarrow 1 \mid D_2] = \text{negl}(n)$  when neither  $D_1$  nor  $D_2$  is distinguishable from  $D_3$ . The eavesdropper is not able to infer much information from what is listened so the protocol is secure.