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Definition 1.1: Perfect secrecy

Given any distribution M over \mathcal{M} , and k chosen UAR on \mathcal{K} , we say that $\Pi = (\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ is **perfectly secret** if

$$\forall m \in \mathcal{M}, c \in \mathcal{C} \quad \Pr[M = m] = \Pr[M = m \mid C = c]$$

TODO In other words, this definition requires the encrypted text c to not reveal anything about the plaintext m. The following lemma shows some properties about perfect secrecy.



Lemma 1.1

The following three conditions are equivalent:

- 1. perfect secrecy
- 2. independence of M and C
- 3. $\forall m, m' \in \mathcal{M}, c \in C$ $\Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}}[\operatorname{enc}(k, m) = c] = \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}}[\operatorname{enc}(k, m') = c]$

Proof. We will prove the statements cyclically.

• 1 \implies 2. By perfect secrecy, we have that

$$\Pr[M=m] = \Pr[M=m \mid C=c] = \frac{\Pr[M=m \land C=c]}{\Pr[C=c]}$$

therefore, by rearranging the terms we get that

$$\Pr[M = m \land C = c] = \Pr[M = m] \cdot \Pr[C = c]$$

• 2 \Longrightarrow 3. Fix $m \in \mathcal{M}$ and $c \in \mathcal{C}$; we have that

$$\begin{aligned} &\Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}}[\text{enc}(k, m) = c] = \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}}[\text{enc}(K, M) \mid M = m] \\ &= \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}}[C = c \mid M = m] \\ &= \Pr[C = c] \end{aligned} \qquad \text{(by definition)}$$

Now fix another message $m' \in \mathcal{M}$; we can repeat the same steps and obtain that $\Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}}[\operatorname{enc}(k, m') = c] = \Pr[C = c]$ which concludes the proof.

• 3 \Longrightarrow 1. Fix $c \in \mathcal{C}$.

Claim:
$$Pr[C = c] = Pr[C = c \mid M = m]$$

Proof of the Claim. By assuming property 3, we get that

$$\begin{split} \Pr[C = c] &= \sum_{m' \in \mathcal{M}} \Pr[C = c \mid M = m'] \cdot \Pr[M = m'] \qquad \text{(by the L.T.P.)} \\ &= \sum_{m' \in \mathcal{M}} \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}} [\operatorname{enc}(k, M) = c \mid M = m'] \cdot \Pr[M = m'] \\ &= \sum_{m' \in \mathcal{M}} \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}} [\operatorname{end}(k, m') = c] \cdot \Pr[M = m'] \\ &= \sum_{m' \in \mathcal{M}} \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}} [\operatorname{end}(k, m) = c] \cdot \Pr[M = m'] \qquad \text{(by property 3)} \\ &= \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}} [\operatorname{enc}(k, m) = c] \cdot \sum_{m' \in \mathcal{M}} \Pr[m = m'] \\ &= \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}} [\operatorname{enc}(k, m) = c] \\ &= \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}} [\operatorname{enc}(k, M) = c \mid M = m] \\ &= \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}} [\operatorname{enc}(k, M) = c \mid M = m] \\ &= \Pr_{k \in \mathcal{K}} [\operatorname{enc}(k, M) = m] \end{split}$$

Finally, by Bayes' theorem we have that

$$\Pr[M = m] = \frac{\Pr[M = m \mid C = c] \cdot \Pr[C = c]}{\Pr[C = c \mid M = m]}$$
$$= \Pr[M = m \mid C = c]$$
 (by the claim)

which is precisely perfect secrecy.