

Last time: RSA:

Setup: choose p, q ^{random} primes of l bits ($p \neq q$)
set $n = pq$, and choose e s.t. $\gcd(e, \phi(n)) = 1$.

'forward' direction: $m \mapsto m^e \bmod n$
for $m \in \mathbb{Z}_n$.

Also we can compute the inverse if we know p, q !

$$\phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1).$$

And since $\gcd(e, \phi(n)) = 1$, we can compute

$$d \stackrel{\text{"defined as"}}{=} e^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\phi(n)}^*.$$

(How to compute d ? \times gcd gives the answer!

\times gcd gives $d, a \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $1 = de + a\phi(n)$

$$\text{So } de \equiv 1 \bmod n$$

$$\therefore d = e^{-1}$$

Fact: $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$, then $x^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \bmod n$.

Corollary: $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, $x^p = x \bmod p$

Inverting RSA w/ knowledge of $d = e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(n)}$:

Say (for now) that $m \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$.

Say $c = m^e \bmod n$.

(Claim: $c^d = m \bmod n$. (Since $de \equiv 1 \bmod \phi(n)$, for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$)
 $ed = k\phi(n) + 1$ (in \mathbb{Z})

$$\begin{aligned} c^d &= (m^e)^d = m^{ed} \\ &= m^{k\phi(n)+1} = m \cdot m^{k\phi(n)} = m \cdot \underbrace{(m^{\phi(n)})^k}_1 = m. \end{aligned}$$

Note: $m \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ is not necessary ($(m,e)^d = m \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}_n$)

but is likely true anyway: how could m
fail to be in \mathbb{Z}_n^* ? $\gcd(m, n) \neq 1$
 $\gcd(m, n) \in \{1, p, q, n\}$.

So if anyone finds $m \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ w/ $\gcd(m, n) \neq 1$,
they have factored n ! (And thus found
the secret key!)

Public key encryption attained?

(Above is an example of a Trapdoor One-way Permutation (TDP))

$M = \mathbb{Z}_n$, $SK = p, q$, $PK = (n, e)$ w/ $\gcd(e, \phi(n)) = 1$.

$E_{PK}(m) = m^e \bmod n$. $D_{SK}(c) = c^d \bmod n$.

Recall definition of Perfect Security:

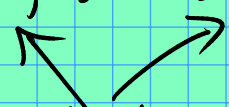
$\forall m, m' \in M, c \in C$

$$\Pr_{k \in K}[E(k, m) = c] = \Pr_{k \in K}[E(k, m') = c]$$

Another way to put it: think of $E(K, m)$ as
a probability distribution on C .

(Samples from $E(K, m)$ are obtained by choosing $k \in K$
and encrypting m .)

Then perfect security says $E(K, m) = E(K, m')$
 $\forall m, m' \in M$.

($E(K, m): C \rightarrow [0, 1]$)  probability distributions on C !

RSA doesn't seem very close yet...

Imagine only messages likely to be sent are "yes" and "no".

Then RSA is a complete failure. Why?

Eve has $PK = n, e$ and thus could
just compute $E_{PK}(\text{"yes"})$ & $E_{PK}(\text{"no"})$
and see which one was sent!

How to fix??

Maybe pad message w/ randomness?



One way or another, public key encryption must use randomness.

See OAEP for a nice, well-analyzed version of this idea.

On defining Security...

Analogy of perfect security? Let's commit to using randomness, and make it explicit in the algo.

$$E_{PK}(m, R) \stackrel{\text{PPT}}{\approx} E_{PK}(m', R)$$

Probability
dist. on ciphertexts!

"looks the same"
to any bounded adversary.
("Computational Indistinguishability")

How to formalize?

Say $\{X_\ell\}_{\ell \in \mathbb{N}}$, $\{Y_\ell\}_{\ell \in \mathbb{N}}$ are sequences of probability distributions.

We say $X_\ell \approx_{\text{PPT}} Y_\ell$ if $\forall A \in \text{PPT}$, \exists negligible func. ν s.t.

$$|\Pr[A(X_\ell) = 1] - \Pr[A(Y_\ell) = 1]| = \nu(\ell).$$

"A cannot behave much different on samples from X_ℓ vs samples from Y_ℓ "

Maybe A outputs "1" if it thinks it has X_ℓ samples and "0" to guess Y_ℓ .

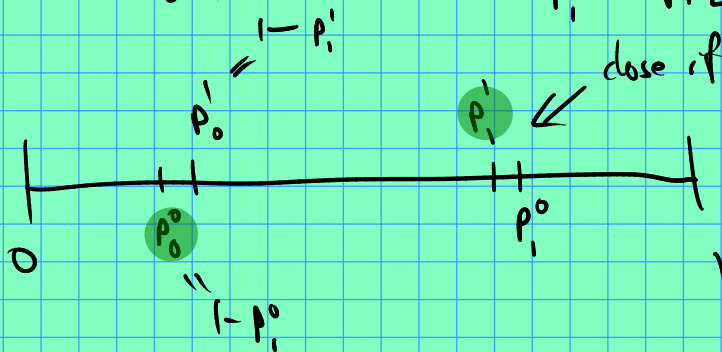
Alternate (+ equivalent) defn: hard to guess.

Say distributions are $\{X_\ell^0\}$, $\{X_\ell^1\}$.

Then $X_\ell^0 \approx_{\text{PPT}} X_\ell^1$ if $\forall A \in \text{PPT}$, \exists negl. function ν s.t.

$$\Pr_{b \in \{0,1\}}[A(X_\ell^b) = b] = \frac{1}{2} + \nu(\ell).$$

How to see the equivalence: define $p_i^j = \Pr[A(X_\ell^j) = i]$



Ok. So what does it mean for A to guess correctly?

(corresponds to $\frac{1}{2} p_0^0 + \frac{1}{2} p_1^1$ (conditioning on b))

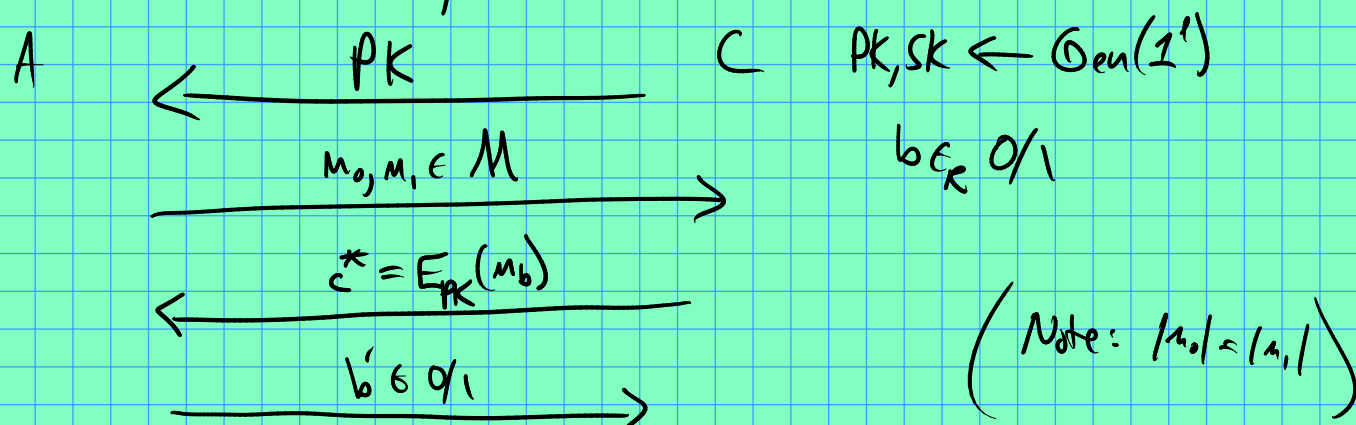
$$\begin{aligned} \Pr_{b \in \{0,1\}}[A(X_\ell^b) = b] &= \frac{1}{2} \Pr[A(X_\ell^0) = 0] + \frac{1}{2} \Pr[A(X_\ell^1) = 1] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (p_0^0 + p_1^1) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\underbrace{p_0^0 + p_1^0}_{1.} + \underbrace{p_1^1 - p_1^0}_{\text{negl.}} \right) \quad \checkmark$$

Defining security for public key schemes ...

Option 1: $E_{PK}(R, m) \stackrel{\text{PPT}}{\approx} E_{PK}(R, m') \quad \forall m, m' \in M.$

More concrete "game style" definition:

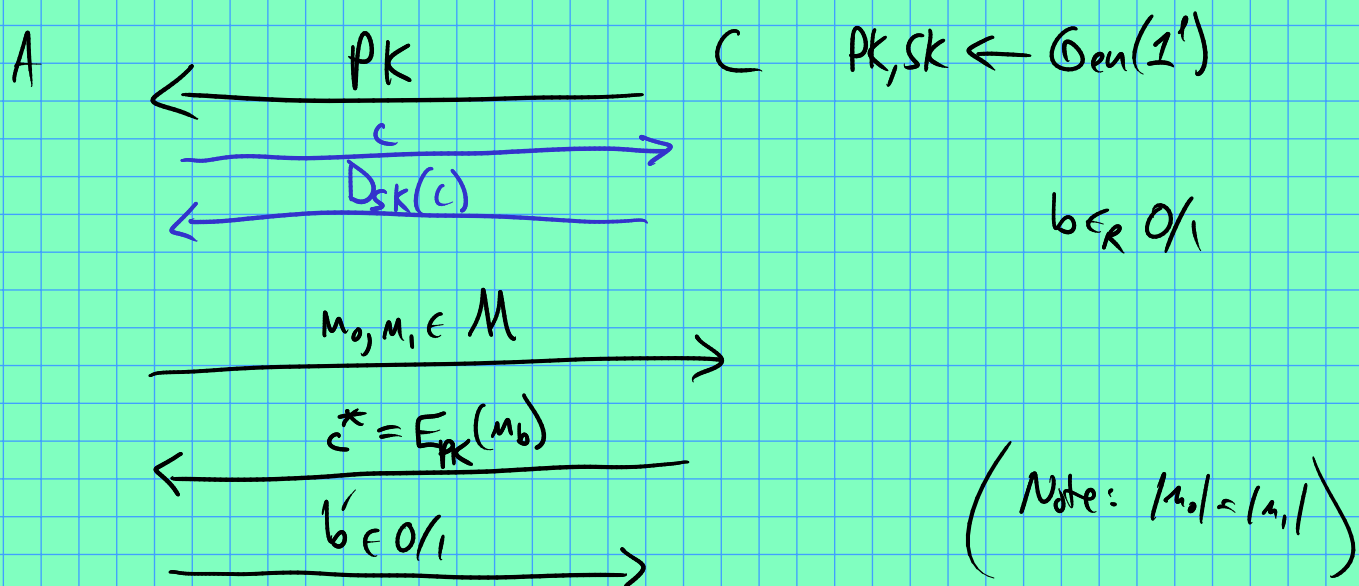


Say A "wins" if $b' = b$.

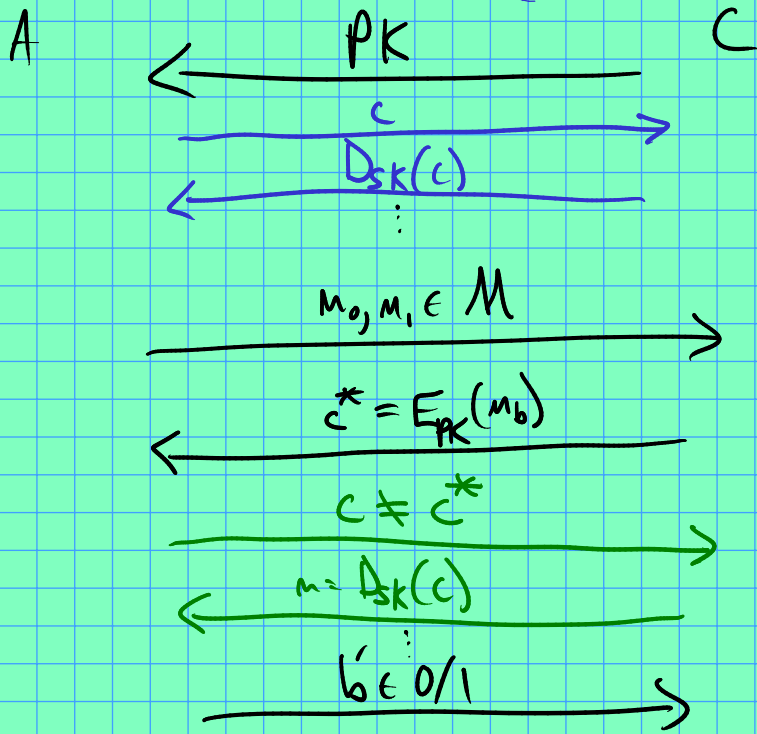
Say scheme is IND-CPA secure if $\forall A \in \text{PPT},$
 $\exists \neg \text{negl. st.}$

$$\Pr[A \text{ wins}] = \frac{1}{2} + \neg \text{negl.}$$

Variations: give A more power (in the form of decryption oracles)



Above game is for CCA1 (chosen ciphertext attack)

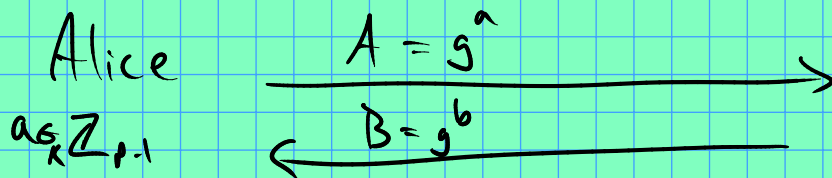


This is the CCA-2 game.

El Gamal cryptosystem.

— IND-CPA secure under the "DDH" assumption.

Recall Diffie-Hellman key exchange:



p a prime
 g a generator of \mathbb{Z}_p^*

$$s = B^a = g^{ab}$$

Bob
 $b \in_r \mathbb{Z}_p$
 $s = A^b = g^{ab}$

Idea behind El Gamal: PK is Alice's "half" of D-H.
 To send a message to Alice, Bob does the other half of D-H and uses the secret to mask a message.

Details: $PK = A = g^a$, $SK = a$.

$E_{PK}(m)$, where $m \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ is done as follows:

choose $b \in_R \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$, compute $B = g^b$.

Then set ciphertext $c = (B, A^{b \cdot m}) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^* \times \mathbb{Z}_p^*$

$D_{sk}(c = (B, k))$: First, compute mask $z = B^a = g^{ab}$

Then $m = k \cdot z^{-1}$.

\parallel
 $m \cdot g^{ab}$ \parallel
 g^{ab}

Note: it actually is similar to the OTP!

$c = r \oplus m$	$r \cdot m$	$(r = g^{ab})$
OTP	El Gamal	
r is truly random	r is indistinguishable from random! ("pseudo random")	

To a bounded adversary, El Gamal looks like a OTP scheme!

Here's the assumption we would like to make:

Decisional Diffie Hellman Assumption:

$$(g^a, g^b, g^{ab}) \stackrel{\text{PPT}}{\approx} (g^a, g^b, g^z)$$

where $a, b, z \in_R \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$ ($p-1 = |\mathbb{Z}_p^*|$)

Bad news: DDH not quite true in \mathbb{Z}_p^* ...

Reason: Legendre Symbol: you can figure out the even/oddness of a from $A = g^a$:

Say $a = 2x$ since $x \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$\text{Then } A^{\frac{p-1}{2}} = g^{a \frac{p-1}{2}} = g^{x \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{p-1}{2}} = (g^{p-1})^x = 1.$$

if a odd, $A^{\frac{p-1}{2}} = -1$ ($= p-1$).

what to do instead? Use a large prime order subgroup
of \mathbb{Z}_p^* . That is, choose random prime q
s.t. $q \cdot y + 1$ is also prime.
(so $p-1 = q \cdot y$).

Now if g generates \mathbb{Z}_p^* , then
 $\gamma = g^{\frac{p-1}{q}}$ will generate a "subgroup" of size q in \mathbb{Z}_p^* .

I.e., $\gamma^0, \gamma^1, \dots, \gamma^{q-1}$ are all distinct #s in \mathbb{Z}_p^* ,
and $\gamma^q = 1 = \gamma^0$.

For $G = \langle \gamma \rangle = \{ \gamma^0, \gamma^1, \dots \}$, DDH is conjectured
to hold!

Question: try to fill in the details of fixing
ElGamal using $G = \langle \gamma \rangle$ instead of \mathbb{Z}_p^* .

Also, read about the Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT)
before next time.