

Secret-Key & Public-Key Encryption

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- ① Think: Security against *adaptive* adversaries (who may choose message pairs in an adaptive manner based on previously seen ciphertexts)?

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Secret-key Encryption in practice:

- Block ciphers with fixed input length (e.g., AES)
- Encryption modes to encrypt arbitrarily long messages (e.g., CBC)
- Stream ciphers for stateful encryption
- Cryptanalysis (e.g., Differential Cryptanalysis)

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- $\mathcal{I} = \{(N, e) \mid N = p \cdot q \text{ s.t. } p, q \in \Pi_n, e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\Phi(N)}^*\}$
- $\mathcal{D}_i = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*\}$
- $\mathcal{R}_i = \mathbb{Z}_N^*$
- $\text{Gen}(1^n) \rightarrow ((N, e), d)$ where $(N, e) \in \mathcal{I}$ and $e \cdot d = 1 \pmod{\Phi(N)}$
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Theorem

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Food for Thought

- Direct (more efficient) constructions of PKE (e.g., El-Gamal)
- Stronger security notions:
 - Indistinguishability under chosen-ciphertext attacks (IND-CCA)
[Naor-Segev], [Dolev-Dwork-Naor], [Sahai]
 - Circular security/key-dependent message security
[Boneh-Halevi-Hamburg-Ostrovsky]
 - Leakage-resilient encryption [Dziembowski-Pietrzak],
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- Weaker security notions:
 - Deterministic encryption [Bellare-Boldyreva-O'Neill]