

1 - Flavours of IND-CCA

Question 1:

To show that IND-CCA-1 security implies IND-CCA-2 security we define:

The advantage of IND-CCA-1 is negligible and for all ppt adversaries \mathcal{A} , the advantage is:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-2}} &= 2 \Pr[\text{IND-CCA-2}_{\text{PKE}}(\mathcal{A}) \Rightarrow \text{true}] - 1 \\&= 2 \Pr[b = b' \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_1 \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] - 1 \\&\leq 2 \Pr[b = b' \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] - 1 \\&\leq 2 \Pr[b = b' \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] - 1 \\&\leq 2 \Pr[\text{IND-CCA-1}_{\text{PKE}}(\mathcal{A}) \Rightarrow \text{true}] - 1 \\&\leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-1}}\end{aligned}$$

Knowing that the Advantage of IND-CCA-1 is negligible so is the one of IND-CCA-2 which prove that IND-CCA-1 security \Rightarrow IND-CCA-1 security

Question 2

To Prove IND-CCA-3 security implies IND-CCA-1 security we define:

The advantage of IND-CCA-3 is negligible and for all adversaries ppt \mathcal{A} , we have an adversary that never queries $\text{ODec2}(ct^*)$, the advantage is:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-1}} &= 2 \Pr[\text{IND-CCA-1}_{\text{PKE}}(\mathcal{A}) \Rightarrow \text{true}] - 1 \\&= 2 \Pr[b = b' \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] - 1 \\&= 2 \Pr[ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] \cdot \Pr[b = b' | ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] - 1\end{aligned}$$

Here we have $\Pr[ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] = 1$ because we never query the oracle that fill \mathcal{L}_2 and we have that $b = b'$ is independent from $ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2$ since the choice of b' doesn't depend on $\text{ODec2}(ct)$ so we have:

$$= 2 \Pr[b = b'] - 1 = \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-3}}$$

Knowing that the advantage of IND-CCA-3 is negligible we proved that the advantage of IND-CCA-1 is also negligible which mean that IND-CCA-3 security implies IND-CCA-1 security

Question 3

We have to show that a well-spread IND-CCA-2 secure PKE is also IND-CCA-1 secure, that we define:
The advantage of IND-CCA-2 to be negligible and for all ppt \mathcal{A} we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-1}} &= \mathbb{P}_n[\text{IND-CCA-1}_{\text{PKE}}(\mathcal{A}) \Rightarrow \text{true}] - 1 \\
 &= \mathbb{P}_n[b = b' \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] - 1 \\
 &= \mathbb{P}_n[b = b' \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_1 \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] - 1 + \mathbb{P}_n[b = b' \wedge ct^* \in \mathcal{L}_1 \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] \\
 &= \mathbb{P}_n[\text{IND-CCA-2}_{\text{PKE}}(\mathcal{A}) \Rightarrow \text{true}] - 1 + \mathbb{P}_n[b = b' \wedge ct^* \in \mathcal{L}_1 \wedge ct^* \notin \mathcal{L}_2] \\
 &\leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-2}} + \mathbb{P}_n[ct^* \in \mathcal{L}_1] \\
 &\leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-2}} + \max_{ct^* \in \mathcal{L}_1} \mathbb{P}_n[ct^* = \text{Enc}(pk, pt)] \\
 &\leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-2}} + \max_{ct^* \in \mathcal{L}_1} \mathbb{P}_n[ct^* = \text{Enc}(pk, pt)] \\
 &\leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{PKE}}^{\text{ind-cca-2}} + 2\epsilon
 \end{aligned}$$

no. $\mathbb{P}(ct^* \in \mathcal{L}_1) \leq \mathbb{P}(\bigcup_{ct \in \mathcal{L}_1} ct^* = ct) \leq q\epsilon$
- 0.5pt

Knowing that the advantage of IND-CCA-2 is negligible and that it is well-spread the ϵ is a negligible value so twice a negligible value is a negligible value and the sum of negligible value is a negligible value. So the advantage of IND-CCA-1 is negligible which mean that
A well-spread IND-CCA-2 secure PKE \Rightarrow IND-CCA-1 secure

Question 4

If an adversary can find ct' such that $\mathbb{P}_n[\text{Enc}(pk, \text{Dec}(sk, ct')) = ct'] = 1$, he just has to query it to ODec and return $pt_2 = \text{Dec}(sk, ct')$, pt_2, ct' where pt_2 is a random plaintext.

In the second phase, \mathcal{A} compares ct^* with ct' . If they are equal it returns pt_1 , if not it returns pt_2 . And with the IND-CCA-1 game with an advantage $\text{Adv} \approx 1$. But it loses the IND-CCA-2 game with an advantage $\text{Adv} \approx 0$, because of $\text{ODec}(ct')$. So the well-spreadness is needed.

2 - A PKE in QR_{m^2}

Question 1:

If factoring is easy, one can easily compute $\lambda(m)$ and then:

$$h = g^x \pmod{m^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{\lambda(m)} = (g^x)^{\lambda(m)} \pmod{m^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{\lambda(m)} = (g^{\lambda(m)})^x \pmod{m^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{\lambda(m)} = (1+m)^x \pmod{m^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{\lambda(m)} = \sum_{k=0}^x \binom{x}{k} m^k \pmod{m^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{\lambda(m)} = 1 + xm \pmod{m^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{\lambda(m)} - 1 = xm \pmod{m^2}$$

• We used the formula given in the exercise that $g^{\lambda(m)} = 1+m \pmod{m^2}$

• We use the Binomial theorem where $(a+b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k$.

And we use the fact that for $k \geq 2$, $m^k = 0 \pmod{m^2}$

Knowing that $x < m \Rightarrow xm < m^2$. Meaning we have $x = \frac{(h^{\lambda(m)} - 1 \pmod{m^2})}{m}$

If we can compute x we can solve the discrete logarithm modulo m problem.

Question 2

For the decryption algorithm we have the ciphertext $ct = (U, V)$ and the secret key a .

To get the plaintext back we have to compute:

$$U^{-a} \cdot V \pmod{m^2} = 1 + mm$$

$$\Rightarrow U^{-a} \cdot V - 1 \pmod{m^2} = mm$$

And knowing that $m < m$ we have $mm < m$. So $m = \frac{(U^{-a} \cdot V - 1 \pmod{m^2})}{m}$

The operations to get back m are all deterministic meaning the decryption algorithm is deterministic so the result will always be the plaintext m as long as we have the good secret key and genuine ciphertexts.

Question 3

A security game capturing the one-wayness property of QRPKE can be:

Game :

$$1: (g, m) \xleftarrow{\$} \text{ParGen}(1^\lambda)$$

$$2: a \xleftarrow{\$} \{1, \dots, QR_{m^2}\}$$

$$3: h \leftarrow g^a \pmod{m^2}$$

$$4: pt \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_m$$

$$5: (U, V) \leftarrow \text{Enc}((g, h, m), pt)$$

$$6: pt' \leftarrow \mathcal{D}(g, h, m, U, V)$$

$$7: \text{return } 1_{pt=pt'}$$

The advantage Adv must be negligible in λ and $\text{Adv} = \Pr[\text{QRPKE}(\mathcal{D}) \Rightarrow \text{true}]$

Question 4

If we can factor n , one can compute the discrete logarithm as proved in question 1 of $h = g^a$ and recover the secret key. Then with the knowledge of the secret key, one can decrypt easily anything and break the one-wayness of QRPE. **no, you'll get a mod n not a mod $|G|$ -2pt**

Question 5

We have to prove that the QR Diffie-Hellman problem is hard, QRPE is one way.

To prove that we define an Adversary \mathcal{D} that play the one-wayness game define in question 3.

We build an adversary \mathcal{A} :

$\mathcal{A}(m, g, X, Y, Z \bmod n)$:

$m \leftarrow \mathcal{B}(g, X, m, Y, Z \bmod n)$

$res \leftarrow (Z \bmod n)(1 + mn)^{-1} \bmod n^2$

return res

you should prove $Z \bmod n$ is a valid ciphertext with the correct distribution

-1pt

Here $1 + mn = g^{m \lambda(n)} \bmod n^2$ has seen in previous question and it is also a proof that it is invisible.

So if \mathcal{D} wins, \mathcal{A} wins as well.

If QRPE isn't one-way then QR Diffie-Hellman is not hard by contradiction we have

If QR Diffie-Hellman is hard then QRPE is one-way.