

# DEFINITIONS!

ADVANCED TOPICS IN ~~CYBERSECURITY~~ CRYPTOGRAPHY (7CCSMATC)

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Introduction

Example 1: “What does it mean to generate random-looking bits?”

Example 2: “What does it mean for a block cipher to be secure?”

Example 3: “What does it mean for an encryption scheme to be secure?”

# INTRODUCTION

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## MAIN REFERENCE

Phillip Rogaway. **On the role definitions in and beyond cryptography**. In: *Annual Asian Computing Science Conference*. Springer. 2004, pp. 13–32

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- One of the most influential cryptographers in the world
- Many cryptographic solutions rely on definitions, models and constructions by him
- Fellow of the IACR
- Winner of the Levchin prize
- NSF CAREER Award in 1996<sup>a</sup>

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<sup>a</sup>Which the NSA had attempted to prevent by influencing the NSF.

# MOTIVATION



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We disclosed the vulnerabilities to [@ThreemaApp](#) back in October. Congrats to the team there on getting everything fixed quickly.



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Lessons learned 1: using a good crypto library is not enough – don't roll your own protocol.

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Cryptography is hard: Russian malware edition

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### Snake "enc" Layer

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I can make a huge slide saying "Don't roll your own crypto" :)

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"Don't roll your own crypto^H^H^H^H^Hprotocol!"

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[#RealWorldCrypto](#)



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The Great

Special guest Filippo Valsorda joins us to debate with Thomas on whether one should or should not “roll your o...

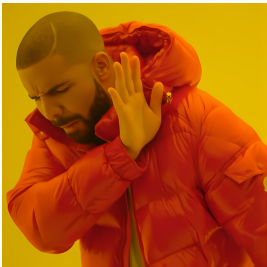


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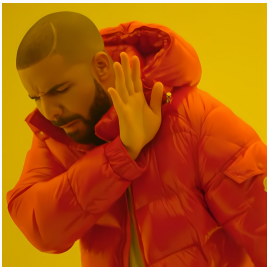
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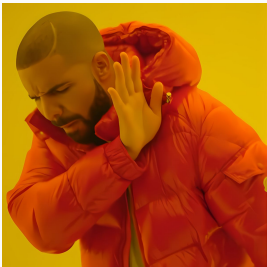


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Modern cryptography gives us the tools to reason about cryptographic protocols to rule out weaknesses.

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“Crypto is hard!”



“Cryptography needs security models and proofs!”

**You** should neither design nor implement cryptographic primitives or protocols.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>**You** should also neither design nor build bridges etc.

“PROVABLE SECURITY WOULD DRAMATICALLY CHANGE THE CHARACTER OF MY FIELD.” I

*Definitions in cryptography emerged rather suddenly, in 1982, with the work of Shafi Goldwasser and Silvio Micali [GM84]. Before then, cryptography was all about schemes and attacks, and there was no way to gain confidence in a scheme beyond that which was had when smart people failed to find an attack.*

## “PROVABLE SECURITY WOULD DRAMATICALLY CHANGE THE CHARACTER OF MY FIELD.” II

What Goldwasser and Micali did was, first of all, to **define** cryptography's classical goal, message privacy (the goal of an **encryption scheme**).

The [GM84] definition was strong and satisfying, and they proved it equivalent to very different-looking alternatives.

Next they gave a **protocol** for encryption, and **proved** their protocol satisfied their definition, given a complexity-theoretic assumption.

The proof took the form of a **reduction**: if the encryption protocol didn't meet the security definition, some other protocol wouldn't satisfy its security definition.

The **definition-protocol-proof** approach has come to be called **provable security**.

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**Probabilistic Encryption.** In:  
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Sciences* 28.2 (1984), pp. 270–299<sup>a</sup>

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<sup>a</sup>This work earned the Turing Award in 2012: “For transformative work that laid the complexity-theoretic foundations for the science of cryptography and in the process pioneered new methods for efficient verification of mathematical proofs in complexity theory”





EXAMPLE 1: “WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO  
GENERATE RANDOM-LOOKING BITS?”

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# IMPOSSIBILITY?

- We aim to produce pseudorandom bits that are so much like the genuine article that no feasible program  $\mathcal{D}$  can tell the difference.
- This might sound impossible.
- If we generate any fixed string of pseudorandom bits  $y$ , we have no chance:
  - For any  $y$  there is a simple algorithm  $\mathcal{D}$  that does a good job at telling if it is given  $y$  or random bits.
  - What is that program?

```
int get_random_number() {  
    return 4; // chosen by fair dice roll.  
             // guaranteed to be random.  
}
```

Credit: <https://xkcd.com/221/>

## Take away

Our method of making pseudorandom bits must itself be randomised.

We therefore focus on an object, a **pseudorandom generator (PRG)**, that stretches a random **seed**,  $s$ , into a longer, pseudorandom string. Formally:

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#### We are not done

This is just syntax:  $G(s) = 0^N$  satisfies the API.

- We play a game between a challenger and a distinguisher  $\mathcal{D}$  or **adversary** (often written  $\mathcal{A}$ ).
- A distinguisher is just an algorithm, possibly a probabilistic one, equipped with a way to interact with its environment.
- We equip  $\mathcal{D}$  with an **oracle** that has a “button” that  $\mathcal{D}$  can push. Each time  $\mathcal{D}$  pushes the button it gets a string of length  $N$ .
- The distinguisher outputs a bit  $b \in \{0, 1\}$  encoding its answer.

We play a game:

**Game<sub>0</sub>** every time the distinguisher  $\mathcal{D}$  makes an oracle query, choose a random string  $y \in \{0, 1\}^N$  and return it.

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| Game <sub>0</sub>               | G()   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 1: $b \leftarrow \mathcal{D}^G$ | 1: $y \leftarrow \$ \{0, 1\}^N$                     |
| 2: <b>return</b> $b$            | 2: $x \leftarrow \$ \{0, 1\}^n$ //Game <sub>1</sub> |
| Game <sub>1</sub>               | 3: $y \leftarrow G(x)$ //Game <sub>1</sub>          |
| 1: $b \leftarrow \mathcal{D}^G$ | 4: <b>return</b> $y$                                |
| 2: <b>return</b> $b$            |   |

Figure 1: PRG Security Games.

- The distinguisher wants to decide if it is playing  $\text{Game}_0$  or  $\text{Game}_1$ .
  - So it outputs a bit  $b$  and then halts, where  $b$  matches the game it thinks it is playing.
- The advantage of  $\mathcal{D}$  in attacking  $G$  is defined as

$$\text{Adv}_G^{\text{prg}}(\mathcal{D}) = |\Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{Game}_1} = 1] - \Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{Game}_0} = 1]|.$$

- We write  $\Pr[\mathcal{A}^{\text{Game}}]$  for the probability of  $\mathcal{A}$  outputting one in the game  $\text{Game}$ .
  - We write  $\Pr[\text{Game}^{\mathcal{A}}]$  for the probability of  $\text{Game}$  outputting one with adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ .
- For our bad generator  $G(x) = 0^N$  there is an easy distinguisher: If the output is all zero, return 0, otherwise return 1.

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$$\forall \mathcal{D} \in \text{PPT}: \text{Adv}_G^{\text{prg}}(\mathcal{D}) = |\Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{Game}_1} = 1] - \Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{Game}_0} = 1]| < 1/\text{poly}(n).$$

**poly(n)** any polynomial in  $n$ , e.g.  $n^2, n^{1000}, n^c$  where  $c$  is a constant

**PPT** probabilistic polynomial-time, an algorithm running in any polynomial time that may make random choices.

## PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER

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for  $\text{Game}_0$  and  $\text{Game}_1$  defined in Fig. 1.

We say  $G$  is secure if  $t = \text{poly}(n)$  and  $\varepsilon = 1/\text{poly}(n)$ .

EXAMPLE 2: “WHAT DOES IT MEAN  
FOR A BLOCK CIPHER TO BE SECURE?”

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**Definition (Block Cipher)**

A blockcipher is a function  $E : \mathcal{K} \times \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$  where

- $\mathcal{K}$  is a finite, nonempty set (the key space),
- $n \geq 1$  is a number (the blocksize) and
- $E_k(\cdot)$  is a permutation (on  $\{0, 1\}^n$ ) for each  $k \in \mathcal{K}$ .

When  $y := E_k(x)$  we call  $x$  the plaintext block and  $y$  the ciphertext block.

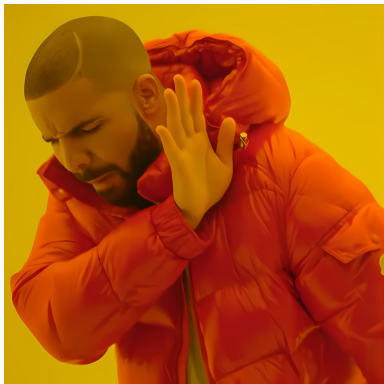
We may also define  $x := E_k^{-1}(y)$  s.t.  $y = E_k(x)$ . We may write  $D_k(\cdot) := E_k^{-1}(\cdot)$ .

**Permutation** For every  $y \in \{0, 1\}^n$  and every  $k$  there exists **one**  $x$  s.t.  $y = E_k(x)$ .

**Example** AES is **the** blockcipher.

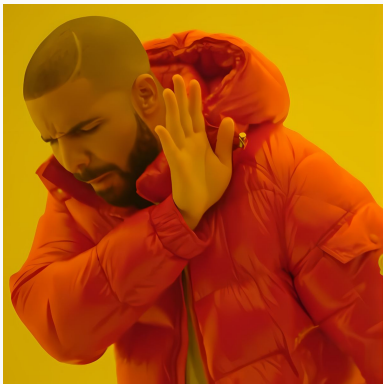
What do you think should be the definition for block cipher security?

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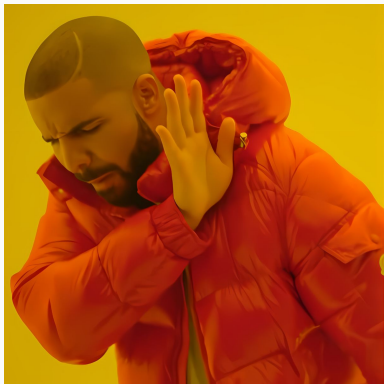
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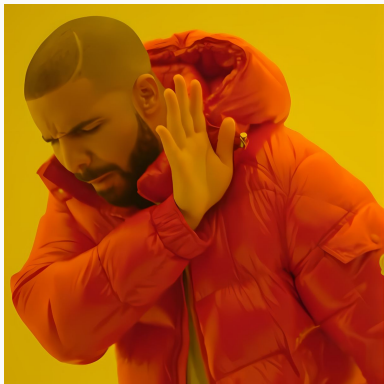


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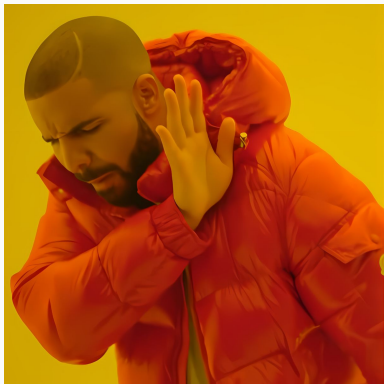
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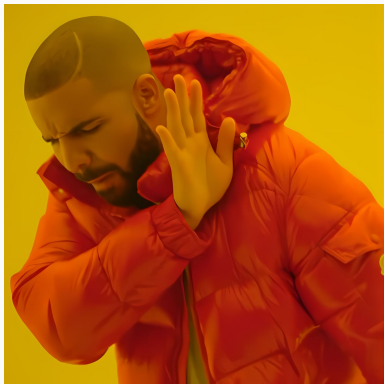
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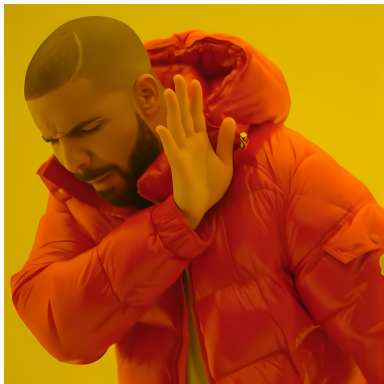
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$\Rightarrow |x| \in \{0, 1\}^n$

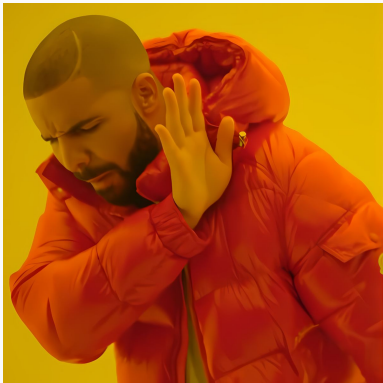


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1. Bob asks “Do you like pizza?” in the clear
2. Alice responds with  $E_k(\text{YES!DEFINITELY!!})$
3. Bob asks “Do you want to commit all the crimes?” in the clear?
4. Alice responds  $E_k(\text{YES!DEFINITELY!!})$

Adversary knows Alice responded with the same answer to the two questions.

**Blockciphers are terrible encryption schemes**

You know this result as “Don’t use ECB mode”.

Definitions can be wrong.

# SECURITY: PSEUDORANDOM PERMUTATION (PRP)

**Game<sub>0</sub>** a random permutation  $\pi : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$  is chosen and when  $\mathcal{D}$  asks its oracle a question  $x$ , we return  $\pi(x)$ .

| Game <sub>0</sub>                 | P(x)  |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1: // $n$ -bit perm.              | 1: $y \leftarrow \pi(x)$ // Game <sub>0</sub> |
| 2: $\pi \leftarrow \mathcal{P}^n$ | 2: $y \leftarrow E_k(x)$ // Game <sub>1</sub> |
| 3: <b>return</b> $\mathcal{D}^P$  | 3: <b>return</b> $y$                          |
| Game <sub>1</sub>                 |   |
| 1: $k \leftarrow \mathcal{K}$     |   |
| 2: <b>return</b> $\mathcal{D}^P$  |   |

**Game<sub>1</sub>** a random key  $k \in \mathcal{K}$  is chosen and when  $\mathcal{D}$  asks its oracle a question  $x$  we return  $y = E_k(x)$ .

At the end the distinguisher needs to output its guess for what world we live in:

$$\text{Adv}_E^{\text{prp}}(\mathcal{D}) = |\Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{Game}_1} = 1] - \Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{Game}_0} = 1]|.$$

## SECURITY: PRP (NOPE!)

As it stands, we could not play this game. Why?

## SECURITY: PRP (FIXED)

| Game <sub>0</sub>                                       | P(x)   |
|---|--|
| 1: $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$                           | 1: <b>if</b> $x \in \pi.\text{keys}$ <b>then</b>         |
| 2: <b>return</b> $\mathcal{D}^P$                        | 2: $y \leftarrow \pi[x]$                                 |
| Game <sub>1</sub>                                       | 3: <b>else</b>   |
| 1: $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset; k \leftarrow \mathcal{K}$ | 4: $y \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n \setminus \pi.\text{values}$ |
| 2: <b>return</b> $\mathcal{D}^P$                        | 5: $\pi[x] \leftarrow y$                                 |
|   | 6: $y \leftarrow E_k(x)$ // Game <sub>1</sub>            |
|   | 7: <b>return</b> $y$                                     |

The adversary will make at most polynomially many queries so the size of the table  $\pi$  will be polynomially sized.

Figure 2: PRP Security Games.

$E_k(\cdot)$ , BUT WHAT ABOUT  $E_k^{-1}(\cdot)$

We covered that the adversary might be able to call  $E_k(\cdot)$  but not  $E_k^{-1}(\cdot)$ .

# SECURITY: STRONG PSEUDORANDOM PERMUTATION (SPRP)

| Game <sub>0</sub>   | P(x)   | P <sup>-1</sup> (y)   |
|---|--|---|
| 1: $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$<br>2: <b>return</b> $\mathcal{D}^{P, P^{-1}}$ | 1: <b>if</b> $x \in \pi.\text{keys}$ <b>then</b><br>2:<br>3: $y \leftarrow \pi[x]$   | 1: <b>if</b> $y \in \pi.\text{values}$ <b>then</b><br>2:   // Find the $x$ s.t. $\pi[x] = y$<br>3: $x \leftarrow \pi^{-1}[y]$   |
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Figure 3: SPRP Security Games.

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## THIS COVERS ALL INTUITIVE, FEASIBLE DEFINITIONS DISCUSSED ABOVE

- “Attacker looking at the ciphertext does not learn the key.” this would allow distinguishing
- “Adversary looking at the ciphertext does not learn the plaintext.” this would allow distinguishing
- “Adversary looking at the ciphertext learns nothing about the plaintext except its length.” output is random (up to permutation), but calling it twice returns the same value twice.

The correct definition might be unintuitive.

EXAMPLE 3: “WHAT DOES IT MEAN  
FOR AN ENCRYPTION SCHEME TO BE  
SECURE?”

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**Definition (Authenticated Encryption)**

An AE-scheme is a pair of algorithms  $(E, D)$  where

- $E : \mathcal{K} \times \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$  is a randomised algorithm,
- $D : \mathcal{K} \times \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^* \cup \{\perp\}$  is a deterministic algorithm,
- set  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  is nonempty and finite,
- $|E_k(m)| = |m| + \tau$  for some constant  $\tau$  and
- $D_k(c) = m$  whenever  $c = E_k(m)$ .

Algorithms  $E$  and  $D$  are called the encryption algorithm and the decryption algorithm, and strings  $k$ ,  $m$  and  $c$  are called the key, plaintext, and ciphertext.

What do you think encryption should provide?

## “Indistinguishability under Chosen Plaintext Attacks”

| Game <sub>0</sub>                 | E(m <sub>0</sub> , m <sub>1</sub> )              |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1 : $k \leftarrow \mathcal{K}$    | 1 : <b>if</b> $ m_0  \neq  m_1 $ <b>then</b>     |
| 2 : <b>return</b> $\mathcal{D}^E$ | 2 : <b>return</b> $\perp$                        |
| Game <sub>1</sub>                 | 3 : $c \leftarrow E_k(m_0)$                      |
| 1 : $k \leftarrow \mathcal{K}$    | 4 : $c \leftarrow E_k(m_1)$ // Game <sub>1</sub> |
| 2 : <b>return</b> $\mathcal{D}^E$ | 5 : <b>return</b> $c$                            |

$$\text{Adv}_E^{\text{ind-cpa}}(\mathcal{D}) = |\Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{Game}_1} = 1] - \Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{Game}_0} = 1]|$$



## SECURITY: PRIVACY (IND-CPA) NEATER

| IND-CPA                          | $E(m_0, m_1)$                               |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 1: $k \leftarrow \$ \mathcal{K}$ | 1: <b>if</b> $ m_0  \neq  m_1 $ <b>then</b> |
| 2: $b \leftarrow \$ \{0, 1\}$    | 2: <b>return</b> $\perp$                    |
| 3: <b>return</b> $\mathcal{D}^E$ | 3: $c \leftarrow \$ E_k(m_b)$               |
|                                  | 4: <b>return</b> $c$                        |

$$\text{Adv}_E^{\text{ind-cpa}}(\mathcal{D}) = |\Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{IND-CPA}} = 1 | b = 1] - \Pr[\mathcal{D}^{\text{IND-CPA}} = 1 | b = 0]|$$

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| 2: $b \leftarrow \$ \{0, 1\}$    | 2: <b>return</b> $\perp$                    |
| 3: $b' \leftarrow \mathcal{D}^E$ | 3: $c \leftarrow \$ E_k(m_b)$               |
| 4: <b>return</b> $b = b'$        | 4: <b>return</b> $c$                        |

Figure 4: IND-CPA Security Game.

$$\text{Adv}_E^{\text{ind-cpa}}(\mathcal{D}) = |\Pr[\text{IND-CPA}^{\mathcal{D}} = 1] - 1/2|$$

**Note:** A “bad” adversary that always outputs  $\neg b$  can be turned into a really good adversary always outputting  $b$ .

# WHAT DOES IND-CPA GET YOU?

```
from Crypto.Cipher import AES
from io import StringIO
import gzip

cipher = AES.new(k, AES.MODE_GCM)

def compress(m):
    out = StringIO()
    with gzip.GzipFile(fileobj=out, mode="w") as f:
        f.write(m)
    return out.getvalue()

def encrypt(k, m): # IND-CPA secure
    c, t = cipher.encrypt_and_digest(m)
    return c, t
```

```
encrypt2 = lambda(k, m): encrypt(k, compress(m))
```



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CRIME

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*For criminal activity, see [Crime](#). For other uses, see [Crime \(disambiguation\)](#).*

**CRIME (Compression Ratio Info-leak Made Easy)** is a [security vulnerability](#) in [HTTPS](#) and [SPDY](#) protocols that utilize compression, which can leak the content of secret [web cookies](#).<sup>[1]</sup> When used to recover the content of secret [authentication cookies](#), it allows an attacker to perform [session hijacking](#) on an authenticated web session, allowing the launching of further attacks. CRIME was assigned [CVE-2012-4929](#).<sup>[2]</sup>

Details [\[ edit \]](#)

The vulnerability exploited is a combination of [chosen plaintext attack](#) and inadvertent [information leakage](#) through data compression, similar to that described in 2002 by the cryptographer [John Kelsey](#).<sup>[3]</sup> It relies on the attacker being able to observe the size of the [ciphertext](#) sent by the [browser](#) while at the same time inducing the browser to make multiple carefully crafted web connections to the target site. The attacker then

## SECURITY: INTEGRITY (INT-CTXT)

### “Integrity of Ciphertexts”

| INT-CTXT   | $E(m)$   |
|--|--|
| 1: $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \emptyset; k \leftarrow \mathcal{K}$                    | 1: $c \leftarrow E_k(m)$                           |
| 2: $c \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^E$  | 2: $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{C} \cup \{c\}$ |
| 3: $m \leftarrow D_k(c)$   | 3: <b>return</b> $c$                               |
| 4: <b>if</b> $c \notin \mathcal{C}$ <b>and</b> $m \neq \perp$ <b>then return</b> 1 |  |
| 5: <b>else return</b> 0  |  |

Figure 5: INT-CTXT Security Game.

$$\text{Adv}_E^{\text{int-ctxt}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Pr[\text{INT-CTXT}^{\mathcal{A}} = 1].$$

## SECURITY: INTEGRITY (INT-CTXT) NEATER

| INT-CTXT                              | $E(m)$  | $D(c)$   |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1: $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \emptyset$ | 1: $c \leftarrow \$ E_k(m)$                             | 1: if $b = 1$ then                               |
| 2: $k \leftarrow \$ \mathcal{K}$      | 2: $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{C} \cup \{(m, c)\}$ | 2:     return $D_k(c)$                           |
| 3: $b \leftarrow \$ \{0, 1\}$         | 3: return $c$   | 3: else if $\exists (c, m) \in \mathcal{C}$ then |
| 4: $b' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{E, D}$ |   | 4:     return $m$                                |
| 5: return $b = b'$                    |   | 5: else return $\perp$                           |

$$\text{Adv}_{E, D}^{\text{int-ctxt}}(\mathcal{D}) = |\Pr[\text{INT-CTXT}^{\mathcal{D}} = 1] - 1/2|.$$

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- Our IND-CPA encryption scheme only provides an encryption oracle.
- Should we not also provide a decryption oracle?

# “Indistinguishability under Chosen Ciphertext Attacks”

| IND-CCA                               | $E(m_0, m_1)$   | $D(c)$                                       |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1: $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \emptyset$ | 1: <b>if</b> $ m_0  \neq  m_1 $ <b>then</b>   | 1: <b>if</b> $c \in \mathcal{C}$ <b>then</b> |
| 2: $k \leftarrow \$ \mathcal{K}$      | 2: <b>return</b> $\perp$  | 2: <b>return</b> $\perp$                     |
| 3: $b \leftarrow \$ \{0, 1\}$         | 3: $c \leftarrow \$ E_k(m_b)$   | 3: <b>return</b> $D_k(c)$                    |
| 4: $b' \leftarrow \mathcal{D}^{E,D}$  | 4: <b>if</b> $m_0 \neq m_1$ <b>then</b> $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{C} \cup \{c\}$ |  |
| 5: <b>return</b> $b = b'$             | 5: <b>return</b> $c$  |  |

Figure 6: IND-CCA Security Game.

$$\text{Adv}_{E,D}^{\text{ind-cca}}(\mathcal{D}) = |\Pr[\text{IND-CCA}^{\mathcal{D}} = 1] - 1/2|.$$



# IND-CPA + INT-CTXT $\Rightarrow$ IND-CCA

**Claim:** If you have IND-CPA security and INT-CTXT security then you have IND-CCA security.

**Argument Sketch:** Simulate the decryption oracle!

| Game <sub>0</sub>                    | $E(m_0, m_1)$  | $D(c)$   |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1: $T \leftarrow \emptyset$          | 1: <b>if</b> $ m_0  \neq  m_1 $ <b>then</b>                | 1: <b>if</b> $c \in T.\text{keys}$ <b>then</b> |
| 2: $k \leftarrow \$ \mathcal{K}$     | 2: <b>return</b> $\perp$                                   | 2: <b>return</b> $T[c]$                        |
| 3: $b \leftarrow \$ \{0, 1\}$        | 3: $c \leftarrow \$ E_k(m_b)$                              | 3: <b>return</b> $\perp$                       |
| 4: $b' \leftarrow \mathcal{D}^{E,D}$ | 4: <b>if</b> $m_0 = m_1$ <b>then</b> $T[c] \leftarrow m_b$ |  |
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Either IND-CCA adversary  $\mathcal{D}$  submits some  $c \notin T.\text{keys}$  to  $D$  that decrypts correctly (breaking INT-CTXT) or it did not (breaking IND-CPA).

# NO CONFIDENTIALITY WITHOUT INTEGRITY

## CIA

The universally taught “CIA triad” is wrong: there is no cryptographic confidentiality without integrity.



## “HAVING DEFINITIONS MAKES IT EASIER TO COME UP WITH ATTACKS.”

*[T]he U.S. National Security Agency (NSA) released, through NIST, its own scheme for efficient AE. The mechanism was called **dual counter mode**. I myself read the definition of the mode and broke it in less than a day, privately informing NIST. Donescu, Gligor, and Wagner likewise broke the scheme right away [DGW01]. What is it that we knew that the folks from the super-secret NSA did not? The answer, I believe, is **definitions**. If you understood the definition for AE, it was pretty obvious that the NSA scheme wouldn't work. In the absence of understanding a definition, you wouldn't see it. Definitions, not initially intended to help people find attacks, nonetheless do just that.*

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## SAY “NO” TO EMPTY ABSTRACTIONS



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