

SOLUTION OF EXERCISESHEET 5

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Exercise 5-3

1. To show: If f is pseudorandom, then Π_{CTR} is CPA-secure.

Proof by contradiction. We assume there exists an adversary \mathcal{A} , which can break Π_{CTR} . Then we construct the distinguisher \mathcal{B} , who can distinguish f from a truly random function and invokes \mathcal{A} as follows:

\mathcal{B} has access to an oracle \mathcal{O}_B that runs either the pseudorandom permutation function f or a randomly chosen permutation function f^* . \mathcal{B} has to give \mathcal{A} access to an encryption oracle \mathcal{O}_{Enc} . \mathcal{O}_{Enc} is realised by answering with $Enc_k(m)$ on the input m , where f_k is replaced with the oracle \mathcal{O}_B .

Thus, c looks like $c = (IV, m \oplus s)$, where $s = \mathcal{O}_B(IV) || \mathcal{O}_B(IV+1) || \dots || \mathcal{O}_B\left(IV + \left\lceil \frac{|m|}{n} \right\rceil\right)$ with the last bits truncated so $|s| = |m|$. \mathcal{B} then samples a bit $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$ and forwards $c_b \leftarrow Enc(k, m_b)$ to \mathcal{A} . \mathcal{B} then outputs the same bit b' which \mathcal{A} outputs.

\mathcal{B} is efficient, because he only forwards messages which can be done in constant time and invokes \mathcal{A} which is efficient.

To analyse the success distinguish two cases: If \mathcal{O}_B runs a pseudorandom permutation function f then \mathcal{B} perfectly simulates Π_{CTR} to \mathcal{A} . $\Rightarrow Pr[\mathcal{B}^{f(\cdot)}(1^\lambda) = 1] = Pr[PrivK_{\Pi_{CTR}, \mathcal{A}}^{CPA} = 1] = \frac{1}{2} + non - negl(\lambda)$, because \mathcal{A} is an efficient adversary against the CPA-security of Π_{CTR} .

If the oracle runs a randomly chosen function f^* and \mathcal{A} queries the encryption oracle at least q times we have $Pr[\mathcal{B}^{f^*(\cdot)}(1^\lambda) = 1] = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{q(\lambda)}{2^\lambda}$.

Now we subtract those two cases:

$$|Pr[\mathcal{B}^{f(\cdot)}(1^\lambda) = 1] - Pr[\mathcal{B}^{f^*(\cdot)}(1^\lambda) = 1]| = \left| \frac{1}{2} + non - negl(\lambda) - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{q(\lambda)}{2^\lambda} \right| = non - negl(\lambda) - \frac{q(\lambda)}{2^\lambda} = non - negl(\lambda).$$

So the distinguisher \mathcal{B} can distinguish between f and f^* with a non-negligible gap which is a contradiction to the pseudorandomness of f . Therefore such an adversary \mathcal{A} against the CPA-security of Π_{CTR} cannot exist.

2. To show: Π_{CTR} is not CCA-secure.

In the game for CCA-security the adversary \mathcal{A} has access to an encryption oracle \mathcal{O}_{Enc} and a decryption oracle \mathcal{O}_{Dec} .

\mathcal{A} gives the challenger the two messages $m_0 = 0^\lambda$ and $m_1 = 1^\lambda$ and gets the ciphertext $c_b = (IV, c'_b)$ back. Then \mathcal{A} asks the decryption oracle \mathcal{O}_{Dec} for the decoding of $c_b^* = (IV, c'_b^*)$, where c'_b^* is c'_b with the last bit flipped. Since c'_b^* is not equal to c_b , \mathcal{O}_{Dec} will answer the query. The result is then either $0^{\lambda-1}1$ or $1^{\lambda-1}0$, because the only difference to computation of $c'_b \oplus s = m$ is the last bit of c'_b . If the result is $0^{\lambda-1}1$ the adversary returns $b' = 0$, if the result is $1^{\lambda-1}0$ $b' = 1$.

Exercise 5-4