

# Review

Material: everything until padding oracle attacks (inclusive)

OTP, secret sharing, negligible, birthday bounds

PRG, PRF, PRP, CPA, modes, malleability, padding  
oracle

## 1. [10 points; 2 per part] True/false

T (F) It is possible for a deterministic encryption scheme to be CPA-secure, if it is based on a PRP instead of a PRF. *Enc same thing twice  $\Rightarrow$  same ctext*

(T) F If an encryption scheme has CPAS security then it also has CPA security. *actual theorem in book*

(T) F Suppose an adversary sees a ciphertext  $c = \text{Enc}(k, m)$  and then later learns what  $m$  was. If the scheme is CPA secure, then the adversary cannot solve for  $k$ . *if you could solve for  $k$ , ask for CHALLENGE( $m, m'$ )  $\rightarrow c \rightarrow \text{Dec. ypt using } k \Rightarrow$  break CPA*

(T) F  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}}$  is negligible.  *$= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}}$*

T (F) If  $F$  is used as the round function of a Feistel network/cipher, then  $F$  must be invertible. *break CPA*

## 2. [10 points; 5 per part] Short answer:

(a) What is the probability that this program outputs TRUE?

$$\Pr(\text{random} = \text{random}) = \boxed{\frac{1}{2^\lambda}}$$

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FOO():
  x ← {0, 1}^λ
  y ← {0, 1}^λ
  z ← {0, 1}^λ
  return y  $\stackrel{?}{=} x \oplus z$ 
  
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fixed

breakpoint

only 1 value of  $z$  makes this true

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{2^\lambda}}$$

this always invertible

not necessarily invertible

(b) In a  $t$ -out-of- $n$  Shamir secret sharing scheme, what should be the degree of the polynomial?

$$\boxed{t-1}$$

$$p(x) = \underline{p_0} + \underline{p_1}x + \underline{p_2}x^2 + \dots + \underline{p_{t-1}}x^{t-1}$$

$t$  coefficients

• line = deg 1  $\Rightarrow$  2 pts  
 parabola = deg 2  $\Rightarrow$  3 pts  
 $\vdots$

$$1 \boxed{t-1} \Rightarrow t \text{ pts}$$

## 3. [20 points; 10 per part] Medium-length answers

- (a) Suppose you have access to a secure PRF  $F : \{0, 1\}^\lambda \times \{0, 1\}^\lambda \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^\lambda$  (not necessarily a secure PRP). Describe any CPA-secure way of encrypting  $\lambda$ -bit plaintexts.

For full points:

- Describe both the encryption & decryption algorithm. Note that decryption cannot assume that the PRF has an inverse.
- You do **not** have to give a security proof.

$Enc(k, m):$   
 $r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^\lambda$   
 $ret(r, F(k, r) \oplus m)$

$\star$  malleable  
given  $(x, y)$

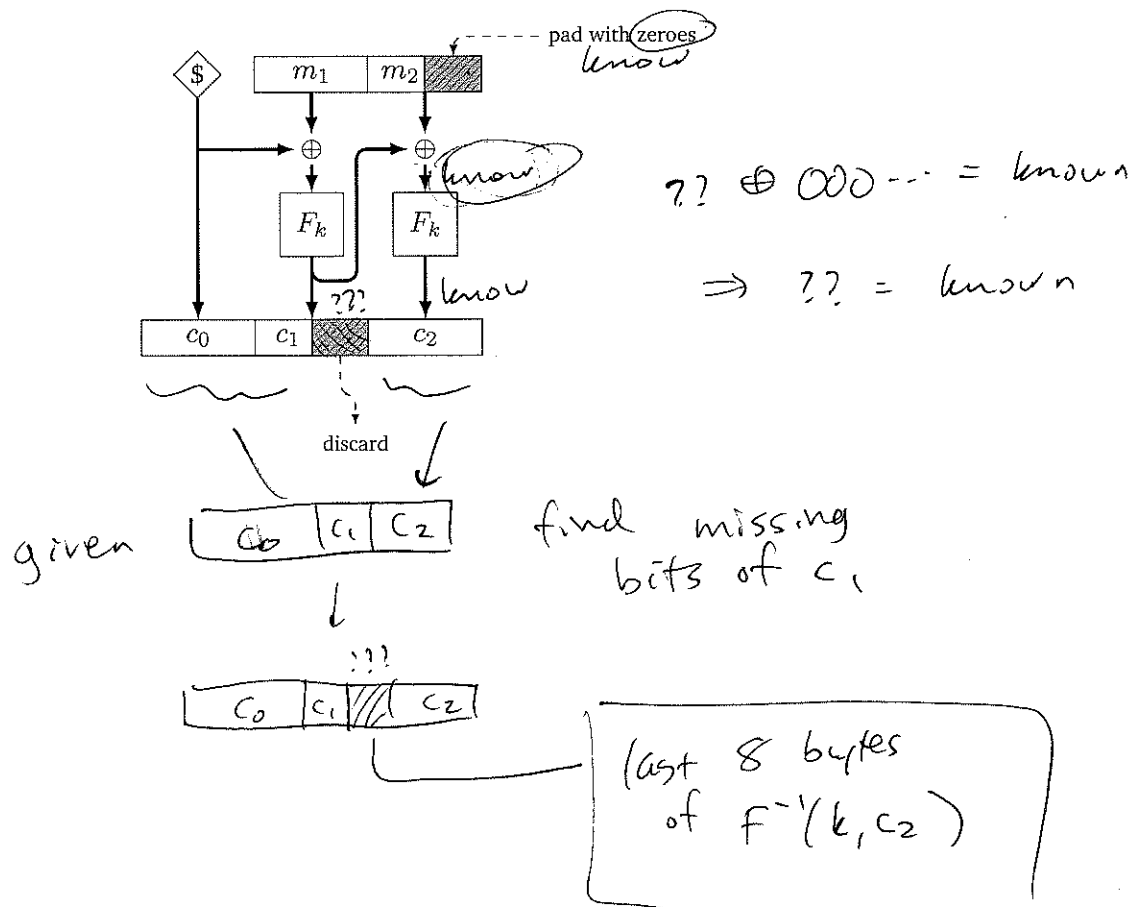
$$\Downarrow$$

$$Dec(x, y) \oplus s$$

$$= Dec(x, y \oplus s)$$

- (b) Consider using ciphertext stealing with CBC mode on a 16-byte block cipher. The plaintext is 24 bytes (so 1.5 blocks long). Ciphertext stealing says to pad the plaintext with 8 bytes of zeroes, encrypt with CBC mode, and throw away the last 8 bytes of the middle ciphertext block.

Explain how the receiver recovers the missing 8 bytes.



4. [20 points] Let  $F$  be a secure PRP with blocklength  $\lambda$ . Consider the following encryption scheme:

$\text{Enc}(k, m):$ $r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^\lambda$ $x := F(k, r)$ $y := F(k, r) \oplus m$ $\text{return } (x, y)$
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Show that the scheme does not satisfy CPA security (I will also accept if you show that the scheme does not satisfy CPAS security). For full points, explicitly write the distinguisher (as a program that uses the appropriate libraries' interface), and compute its output probabilities in the presence of the two relevant libraries.

$$\text{obs: } x \oplus y = [F(k, r)] \oplus [F(k, r) \oplus m] \\ = m$$

$$\text{obs: } \text{Enc}(k, 0^\lambda) \text{ has the form } (x, x)$$

Attack:

$(x, y) = \text{CHALLENGE}(0^\lambda, 1^\lambda)$   
 $\text{return } x \stackrel{?}{=} y$

$$\Pr[\text{output true in left library}] = 1$$

since  $(x, y)$  is enc of  $0^\lambda$

$$\Pr[\text{output true in right lib}] = 0$$

$$\text{since } x = y \oplus 1^\lambda = \bar{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \neq y$$

CPA attack

CPA \$ attack

$$(x, y) = \text{CHALLENGE}(O^\lambda)$$
$$\text{return } x \stackrel{?}{=} y$$

$\Pr[\text{output true in "real" lib}] = 1$   
(actual Enc of  $O^\lambda$ ) ↗

$\Pr[\text{output true in "rand" lib}] = \frac{1}{2^\lambda}$

5. [20 points] Suppose  $F : \{0, 1\}^\lambda \times \{0, 1\}^{\text{in}} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\text{out}}$  is a secure PRF. Based on  $F$  we define the following functions:

$\rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\text{in}}$

$H(k, x):$
return $F(k, x) \  F(k, \bar{x})$

(students enrolled in CS427)

$\text{in} = \text{out}$

$H(k, x):$
return $F(k, x) \  F(k, F(k, x))$

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Here " $\|$ " means concatenation and " $\bar{x}$ " means the bitwise complement of  $x$  (flip every bit).

**Show that  $H$  is not a secure PRF.** For full points, explicitly write the distinguisher (as a program that uses the appropriate libraries' interface), and compute its output probabilities in the presence of the two relevant libraries.

$L \| R = \text{QUERY}(0^{\text{in}})$   
 $L' \| R' = \text{QUERY}(1^{\text{in}})$   
 return  $L \stackrel{?}{=} R'$

can say:  
 pick arbitrary  $x$   
 $\text{QUERY}(x)$   
 $\text{QUERY}(\bar{x})$

in real library

$$L = F(k, 0^x)$$

$$R' = F(k, \overline{1^x})$$

$$= F(k, 0^x)$$

so  $\Pr[\text{output true}] = 1$

in rand library

$$L \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{\text{out}}$$

$$R' \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{\text{out}}$$

$\Rightarrow \Pr[\text{output } \cancel{\text{true}}] = \frac{1}{2^{\text{out}}}$

$$L \parallel R = \text{QUERY}(O^{\text{in}})$$

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$$L' \parallel R' = \text{QUERY}(L)$$

$$\text{return } R \stackrel{?}{=} L'$$

in real lib:

$$L = F(k, \cancel{O^{\text{in}}}) O^{\text{in}})$$

$$\text{equal} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} R = F(k, \underline{F(k, O^{\text{in}})}) \\ \quad = F(k, L) \\ L' = F(k, L) \end{array} \right.$$