# Examination of Theoretical Foundation of Cryptography

October 20, 2021

#### Grades

Grades will be determined as follows:

- (25%) Homework assignments
  Collaboration is not allowed. You should not submit a problem solution that you cannot explain orally.
- (75%) Reading report (25%)+ Presentation (50%)

## Requirements

- The homework will be graded on *correctness*, *clarity*, and *conciseness*,
- The reading report will be judged by its quality, not its length. Please keep it succinct.
- All submitted works (homework and reading report) must be typeset in LATEX and merged in one PDF file. The PDF file should begins with a title page which lists your name, student id, supervisor, then followed by your homework and reading report.
- Please email your work to zm\_min@mail.sdu.edu.cn before 2021.XX.XX with subject of the following format: id-name

Warning: submission does not meet the above format requirements runs a risk of being degrading!

#### Homework

**Exercise 0.1.** Let f be a (randomized) function on the domain of  $\Omega$ , X and Y are two random variables defined over  $\Omega$ , prove  $\Delta(f(X), f(Y)) \leq \Delta(X, Y)$ .

**Exercise 0.2.** Let  $f: \{0,1\}^* \to \{0,1\}^{\ell(\lambda)}$  be a OWF. Is there a lower bound of  $\ell(\lambda)$ ?

Exercise 0.3. Please build a family of weak PRP, which is not a family of strong PRP.

**Exercise 0.4.** Construct a counterexample between MMI security and the standard IND-CPA security for SKE.

**Exercise 0.5.** Show the equivalence between the standard IND-CPA security and the alternative definition. (Please refer to the slide for the accurate definition of the alternative definition.)

# Reading Report

Please pick your favorite cryptographic paper from the following top conferences (FOCS, STOC, Crypto, Eurocrypt, Asiacrypt, TCC, PKC, ACM CCS, IEEE S&P) in the last 20 years, then write a reading report, which should includes:

- The information of the paper (title, author, conference name)
- The main idea and technique you learn from it
- Your own reflection and thinking

### Presentation

Present your reading report with slides (12 minutes talk and 3 minutes discussions), which should emphasizes

- The novel concept.
- The main technique.
- The key idea.