Cryptography

Lecture 2

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Summary of Last Class

Introduction

>> Zoo/ Mammoth and felt the subject's vastness against our negligible knowledge

>> Three fundamental principles of Modern Crypto - Formal Definitions, Well-studied Assumptions, Sound Proofs

Secure Communication in Symmetric Key setting

- » SKE is the required primitive. Syntax: (Gen, Enc, Dec), M
- >> Definition of SKE: Key components: threat (who?) and break (what?)

>> Threat: Common:- (bounded with negl success probability; randomized) to all Computational security definitions; will vary attack model: Ciphertext-only (CO) Attck.

- » Break: No partial info about the message is leaked from the ciphertext irrespective of what external information adv has (except with negl. probability)
- >> the very basic definition of CO-Security both in IND and SIM style that are equivalent
- >> PRG as a tool to build SKE with CO-security. IND-based definition for PRG.

Today's Roadmap

- >> Construction based on PRG
- >> Overview of Proof by reduction
- >> Proof of PRG-based SKE: IND style CO-security
- >> Extension of CO-security to CO-MULT-security
- >> PRG-based scheme is insecure; hunt for new scheme (assignment problem)
- >> Chosen Plaintext Attack (CPA), CPA Security
- >> Is it practical?
- >> A construction for CPA-secure scheme

IND: Ciphertext Only Security



 Π has indistinguishable encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper or is co-secure if for every PPT attacker A, there is a negligible function negl(n) such that

$$\Pr\begin{pmatrix} co \\ PrivK (n) = 1 \\ A, \Pi \end{pmatrix} \leq \frac{1}{2} + negl(n)$$

Probability is taken over the randomness used by A and the challenger

SEM: Ciphertext Only Security

Two worlds: In one adv gets ciphertext and in another it does not. If the difference between probabilities of guessing f(x) in the both worlds are negligibly apart, then semantic security is achieved.



 Π = (Gen, Enc, Dec) is semantically-secure in the presence of a eavesdropper if for every PPT A there exists a A' such that for any Samp and PPT functions f and h:

$$\Pr[A(1^{n},c,h(m)=f(m)] - \Pr[A'(1^{n},|m|,h(m)=f(m)]] \le \operatorname{negl}(n)$$

Probability taken over >> uniform k, >> m output by Samp(1ⁿ), >> the randomness of A and >> the randomness of Enc Probability taken over >> m output by Samp(1ⁿ) and >> the randomness of A'

PRG Security



G is a PRG if for every PPT D, there is a negligible function negl $Pr[D(r) = 1] - Pr[D(G(s)) = 1] \le negl(n)$ $r \in_{\mathbb{R}} \{0,1\}^{l(n)}$ $s \in_{\mathbb{R}} \{0,1\}^{n}$

Probability taken over >> Random Choice of r >> the randomness of D >> the randomness of D >> the randomness of D

Existence of PRG

- Do PRG exists ?
- OWF + hardcore bit \rightarrow PRG
 - > Provably secure

- Several practical PRGs (Stream Ciphers)
 - > No good distinguishers found till now
 - High practical efficiency compared to provablysecure PRGs

Secure Communication using PRG



• Sender and receiver share a (short) PRG key

Pseudo-random pad instead of a truly random pad

SKE from PRG

- Let G be a PRG with expansion factor I(n)
- We design a cipher for encrypting messages of length l(n)
 The scheme is fixed-length encryption
- » Gen:
 - Input: security parameter n
 - > Output: key $k \in_{\mathbb{R}} \{0,1\}^n$
- >> Enc:
 - > Input: secret key k; plain-text $m \in \{0,1\}^{l(n)}$
 - > Output: cipher-text c:= $G(k) \oplus m$ \longrightarrow Deterministic encryption
- >> Dec:
 - > Input: secret key k; cipher-text $c \in \{0,1\}^{l(n)}$
 - > Output: plain-text m:= $G(k) \oplus c$

Proof by Reduction



--- Non-negligible

Security of the PRG-based SKE

Theorem: If G is a PRG, then Π is a fixed-length CO-secure SKE.

Proof: On the white broad.

Security for Multiple Encryptions

- □ Till now we considered an eavesdropper monitoring a single ciphertext
- Desirable (in practice):
 - Several messages encrypted using a single key
 - > A PPT eavesdropper observes all the ciphertexts
 - > Not captured in previous SEM/IND CO-security definition.
- Require a new definition
 - Semantic Paradigm: No PPT eavesdropper can non-negligibly compute any polynomial function of the underlying plain-texts by looking at the ciphertexts
 - IND Paradigm: Even though Adv knows the two sets of ciphertexts encrypted in the ciphertext, he cannot decide which set is encrypted.



II has indistinguishable multiple encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper or is CO-MULT-secure if for every PPT attacker A taking part in the above experiment, the probability that A wins the experiment is at most negligibly better than $\frac{1}{2}$

i.e.
$$\Pr \begin{pmatrix} \text{co-mult} \\ \text{PrivK} & (n) = 1 \\ A, \Pi \end{pmatrix} \leq \frac{1}{2} + \text{negl}(n)$$

Relation between Multiple-message and Single-message Security

со co-mult Experiment PrivK (n) is a special case of PrivK (n) A, П A, П

- > PrivK (n) is the same as PrivK (n) with $|\vec{M_0}| = |\vec{M_1}| = 1$ A, Π A, Π
- Any cipher which has indistinguishable multiple encryptions has also indistinguishable encryptions

- What about the converse ?
 - > Not necessarily



Multiple-message Security is Stronger than Single-message Security



plain-text then Π cannot have indistinguishable multiple encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper

Time to Go for Randomization of Encryption

