

Lecture 6: Public Key Encryption, Homomorphic Encryption

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These slides were updated after the lecture. We fixed some typos and added a few new slides (marked with † in the title).

Recommended reading for this lecture:

- Boneh & Shoup, A Graduate Course in Applied Cryptography: sections 11.2, 11.3, 1.5, 12.1, 12.2, 12.6.2.
- Golwasser & Bellare, Lecture Notes on Cryptography: sections 7.1, 7.2.2, 7.2.3.

- Today is the deadline for assignment Bonus-1.
- Last Wednesday we fixed an error in HA2.
Make sure the PDF you're reading is up to date.

Last Tuesday, you've seen:

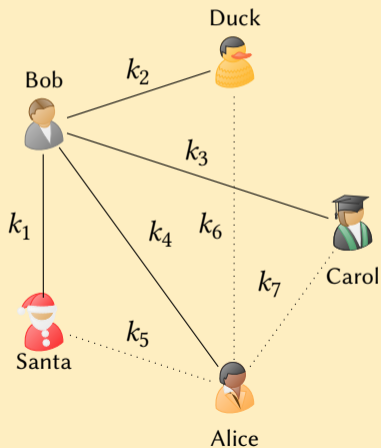
- Trapdoor One-Way Functions
- Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange
 - Group Theory
 - Hardness Assumptions (DLog, CDH, DDH)
 - Bit Security of DH Keys
- Digital Signatures

Plan for today:

- Public-Key Encryption
 - RSA
 - ElGamal
 - Security Definitions IND-CPA, IND-CCA
- Homomorphic Encryption

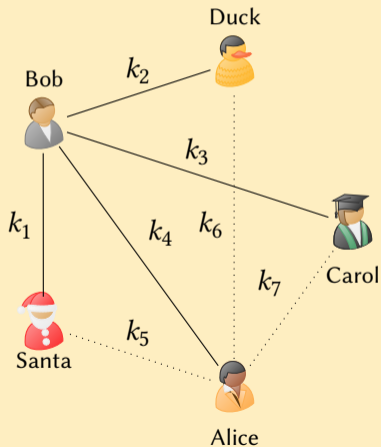
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- 4 keys for Bob + 3 keys for Alice + 2 keys for ...
- $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ keys for n parties
- Public-Key Encryption, on the other hand, solves this with only n keys!

Public-Key Encryption

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Trapdoor One-Way Function

Three algorithms^a $(\text{KeyGen}, \text{F}, \text{I})$ s.t.

- $(\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^n)$
- $y = \text{F}(\text{pk}, x)$
- $x' = \text{I}(\text{sk}, y)$

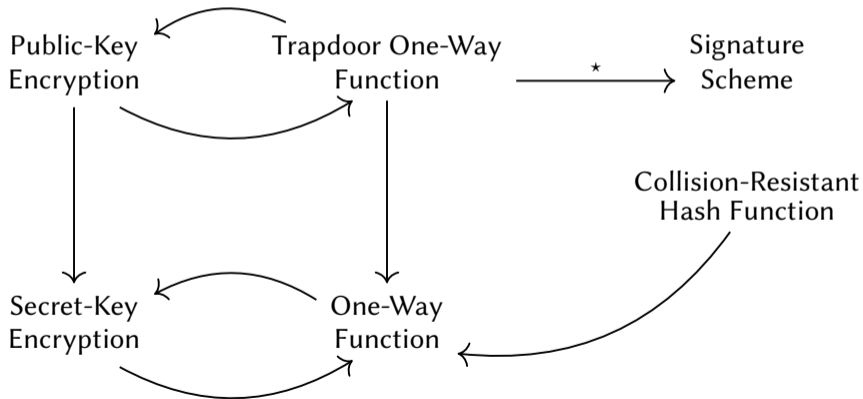
It's guaranteed that $\text{F}(\text{pk}, x') = y$, but not guaranteed that $x = x'$.

What's the difference?

^aKeyGen is probabilistic, other two are deterministic

Why should I care about Trapdoor One-Way Functions?

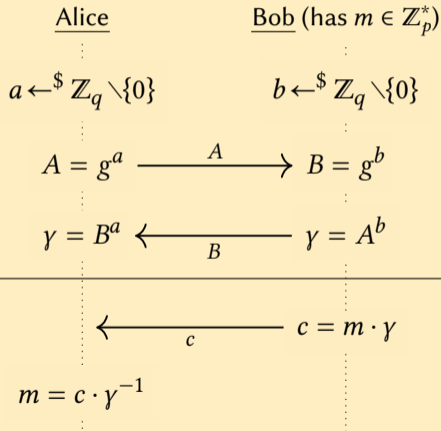
Simpler than other constructions. Help cryptographers analyze cryptographic assumptions.



* true with some caveats; Elena will present this next week

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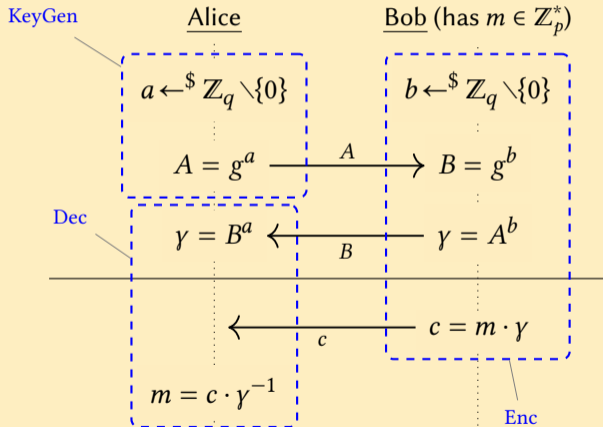


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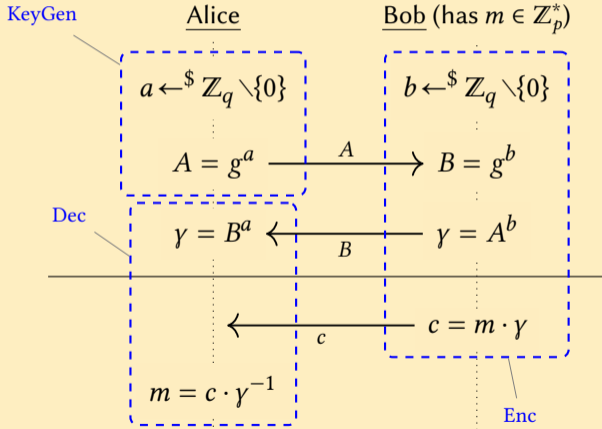


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In ElGamal terms...

- a is Alice's private key
- A is Alice's public key
- (B, c) is the ciphertext that encrypts Bob's message m for Alice

KeyGen(1^n)

- 1 Pick p , g and q so that $|q| \geq n$
- 2 $a \leftarrow^{\$} \mathbb{Z}_q \setminus \{0\}$ // secret key
- 3 $A = g^a$ // public key
- 4 return (A, a)

Dec $_a((B, c))$

- 1 $\gamma = B^a$
- 2 return $c \cdot \gamma^{-1}$

Enc $_A(m)$

- 1 $b \leftarrow^{\$} \mathbb{Z}_q \setminus \{0\}$
- 2 $B = g^b$
- 3 $\gamma = A^b$
- 4 $c = \gamma \cdot m$
- 5 return (B, c)

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- 2 $N = pq$
- 3 Pick e so that $\gcd(e, \Phi(N)) = 1$
- 4 $d = e^{-1} \pmod{\Phi(N)}$
- 5 $\text{pk} = (N, e), \text{sk} = (N, d)$
- 6 return (pk, sk)

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Correctness

$$\begin{aligned} c^d \pmod{N} &= (m^e)^d \pmod{N} \\ &= m \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Euler's Theorem

Let $M > 0$ and $x \in \mathbb{Z}_M^*$, then $x^{\Phi(M)} = 1 \pmod{M}$.

Corollary: $x^{\Phi(M)-1} = x^{-1} \pmod{M}$.

Euler's totient function Φ

- $\Phi(M)$ is the number of values in \mathbb{Z}_M which are co-prime with M . In other words, $\Phi(M) = |\mathbb{Z}_M^*|$.
- If we know that M is a product of distinct primes, $M = p_1 p_2 \dots p_k$, we can compute $\Phi(M) = (p_1 - 1)(p_2 - 1) \dots (p_k - 1)$.
- For example, $\Phi(p) = p - 1$ and $\Phi(pq) = (p - 1)(q - 1)$ when p and q are primes.

Bézout's identity

Let x and y be positive integers, and $d = \gcd(x, y)$. Then there exist integers (possibly negative) a and b such that $xa + yb = d$.

Extended Euclidean Algorithm

The coefficients a and b can be computed by given x and y using Extended Euclidean Algorithm^a.

^aSee the lecture notes, as well as https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extended_Euclidean_algorithm

Finding multiplicative inverses modulo †

Suppose we are given M and $x \in \mathbb{Z}_M^*$. We want to find x^{-1} s.t. $x^{-1} \cdot x = 1 \pmod{M}$. This is needed, for example, to find d in RSA, and also in ElGamal to invert γ . How do we do this?

When we can factorize M

- Works in ElGamal, where $M = p$ is prime.
- Use Euler's Theorem:

$$\gamma^{-1} = \gamma^{\Phi(p)-1} = \gamma^{p-2} \pmod{p}.$$

- Together with Binary Exponentiation algorithm.

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# Returns (x ** power) % m
def exp(x, power, m):
    if power == 0:
        return 1
    else if power % 2 == 0:
        return exp(x, power // 2, m) ** 2 % m
    else
        return x * exp(x, power - 1, m) % m
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When we can't factorize M

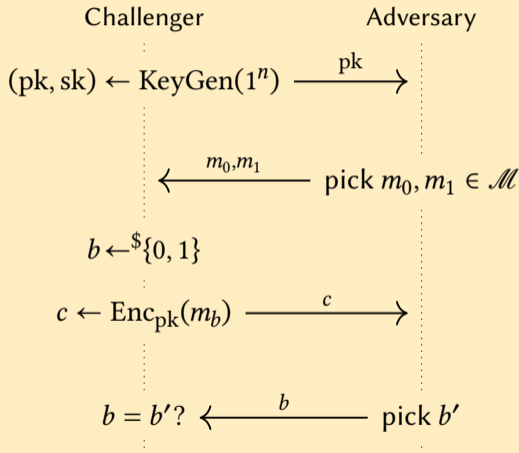
- We can't apply the Euler's Theorem trick to RSA: we have $x = e$ and $M = \Phi(N) = (p-1)(q-1)$. Computing $\Phi((p-1)(q-1))$ requires factorizing $(p-1)(q-1)$ and we don't know how to do that.
- In this case we will have to use Bézout's identity, and Extended Euclidean Algorithm...

Back to Bézout...

We know that $\gcd(x, M) = 1$. Bézout identity tells us that there exist a and b s.t. $xa + Mb = 1$. Then $xa + Mb \pmod{M} = xa \pmod{M} = 1 \pmod{M}$. So $a = x^{-1} \pmod{M}$.

- Use Extended Euclidean Algorithm to find a and b , return $a = x^{-1}$.

IND-CPA Game



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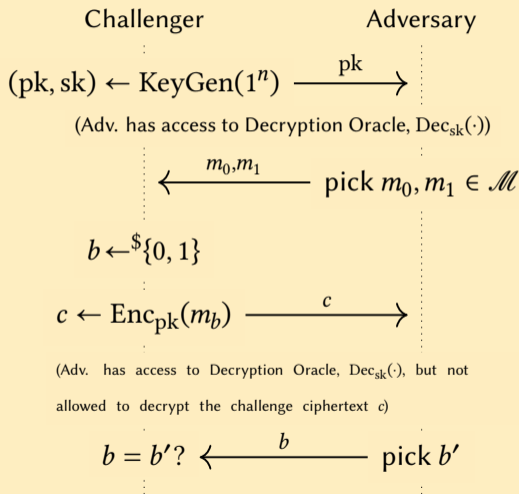
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$$\Pr[b = b'] = 1/2 + \text{negl}(n).$$

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- Since Adversary knows the pk , it can encrypt any messages of its choice at any time.
- Deterministic encryption can't be IND-CPA secure. Why?

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RSA Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding, AOEP

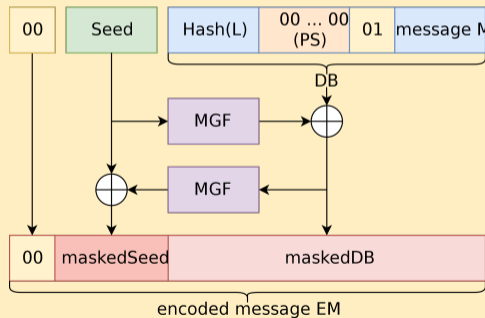
Being IND-CCA secure requires both non-malleability, and randomized encryption. AOEP padding ensures both.

Encoding

- L = public label
- Seed = random seed
- MGF is a special pseudorandom Mask Generation Function

RSA-AOEP is proven to be IND-CCA secure (in the Random Oracle model)

Encoding Diagram



Linearly Homomorphic Encryption (LHE)

Public-key encryption (KeyGen, Enc, Dec) with additional algorithms \oplus_{pk} and \odot_{pk} :

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Both LHE and FHE are malleable, so they can't be IND-CCA secure.

Fully Homomorphic Encryption (FHE)

Same as LHE, but now:

- $Enc_{pk}(a) \oplus_{pk} Enc_{pk}(b) = Enc_{pk}(a + b)$
- $Enc_{pk}(a) \odot_{pk} Enc_{pk}(b) = Enc_{pk}(ab)$
Now we can multiply ciphertexts!

FHE schemes often involve heavy computations and large ciphertexts, which limit their applicability.

ElGamal

- Let (B_1, c_1) encrypt m_1 with key A
- Let (B_2, c_2) encrypt m_2 with key A
- Suppose Alice is decrypting $(B_1 \cdot B_2, c_1 \cdot c_2)$ with her private key a :

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Textbook RSA

- Let m_1^e and m_2^e be RSA ciphertexts, encrypted for Alice whose private keys is (d, N)
- Let's see what happens if Alice decrypts $m_1^e m_2^e$:

$$\begin{aligned} m &= (m_1^e m_2^e)^d \\ &= (m_1 \cdot m_2)^{ed} \\ &= m_1 m_2 \end{aligned}$$

Why is it linear even though m_1 and m_2 got multiplied?

Why ElGamal and RSA are only Linearly Homomorphic?

As we've shown on the previous slide, ElGamal and RSA allow multiplying encryptions. We still call them Linearly Homomorphic schemes because the multiplications of numbers there correspond to the group operation, and from group's perspective it can be seen as "addition". Applying this group operation repeatedly would correspond to "multiplication" in group terms.

- For ElGamal, the group is (Z_p^*, \star) with $m_1 \star m_2 = m_1 \cdot m_2 \pmod p$.
- For RSA, the group is (Z_N^*, \star) with $m_1 \star m_2 = m_1 \cdot m_2 \pmod N$.

These encryption schemes would be Fully Homomorphic if they allowed by given $\text{Enc}_{pk}(m_1)$ and $\text{Enc}_{pk}(m_2)$ computing $\text{Enc}_{pk}(\underbrace{m_1 \star m_1 \star \dots \star m_1}_{m_2 \text{ times}})$, which is "multiplication" from group's perspective.

Uses of Homomorphic Encryption

LHE and FHE can be used to "outsource" computations to an untrusted party.

- To implement a cloud that can process people's private data without being able to peek on the data.
- To implement some form of Multi-Party Computation where parties jointly perform operations on their data without anyone of them being able to see the data they're operating on. (We'll discuss this more in Lecture 9.)

- ① How to exchange (symmetric) keys using Public-Key Encryption?
(We built ElGamal from Diffie-Hellman key exchange. This question asks if one could go the other way.)
- ② What property of Diffie-Hellman actually helped us convert it to ElGamal cryptosystem? Could one do the same with any key exchange protocol?
- ③ How to make Trapdoor One-Way Function from Public-Key Encryption (using it as blackbox)?

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