

Cryptography

Lecture 08

Pseudorandom Functions and Permutations

Keyed functions

- ▶ Let $F : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ be an efficient, deterministic algorithm
 - ▶ Define $F_k(x) = F(k, x)$
 - ▶ The first input is called the key
- ▶ Choosing a uniform $k \in \{0, 1\}^n$ is equivalent to choosing the function $F_k : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$
 - ▶ i.e. for fixed key length n , the algorithm F defines a distribution over functions in $Func_n$!

Note: A Keyed Perm requires F_k a perm and F_k^{-1} easy to compute.

Pseudorandom Functions (PRFs)

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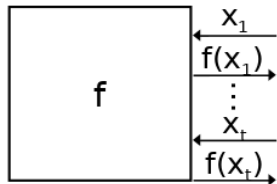
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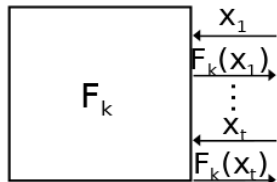
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World 0



World 1

$k \in \{0,1\}^n$ chosen
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(poly-time)

Pseudorandom Permutations (PRPs)

We define **Pseudorandom Permutation** informally.

A **Pseudorandom Permutation** is a keyed function $F : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ such that every F_k is a permutation and a PPT Eve cannot do well in the following game:

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2. Bob picks a **permutation** f uniformly from $perm_n$.
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Note:

- ▶ For large enough n , a random permutation is indistinguishable from a random function
- ▶ So in Pseudorandom Function game Bob could pick a random permutation.

PRFunctions Yields PRGenerators

- ▶ PRF F immediately implies a PRG G :
 - ▶ Define $G(k) = F_k(0 \dots 0) \mid F_k(0 \dots 1) \mid \dots \mid F_k(1 \dots 1)$
- ▶ PRF can be viewed as a PRG with random access to exponentially long output
 - ▶ The function F_k can be viewed as the $n2^n$ -bit string $F_k(0 \dots 0) \mid \dots \mid F_k(1 \dots 1)$

Do PRFs/PRPs exist? Theoretical Answer

A **one-way function (perm)** is function (perm): easy to compute, hard to invert.

A **one-way function (perm)** with a **hard core predicate** is a function (perm) that is easy to compute but hard to invert, and (say) the middle bit of $f^{-1}(x)$ is hard to compute.

Chapter 7 shows:

\exists One way Perm $\implies \exists$ one way perm with a hcp.

\exists one way perm with hcp $\implies \exists$ PRG with expansion 1

\exists PRG with $\text{expa}-1 \implies \exists$ PRG with $\text{expa}-p(n)$ any poly p .

\exists PRG with $\text{expa}-2n \implies \exists$ PRF.

Note: One way func \implies PRF also known but much harder.

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No: Too slow. But good for proof of concept.

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- ▶ Block ciphers are practical constructions of pseudorandom permutations
- ▶ No asymptotics: $F : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^m$
 - ▶ n = “key length”
 - ▶ m = “block length”
- ▶ Hard to distinguish F_k from uniform $f \in \text{Perm}_m$ even for attackers running in time $\approx 2^n$

AES

- ▶ Advanced encryption standard (AES)
 - ▶ Standardized by NIST in 2000 based on a public, worldwide competition lasting over 3 years
 - ▶ Block length = 128 bits
 - ▶ Key length = 128, 192, or 256 bits
- ▶ Will discuss details later in the course
- ▶ **Currently** no reason to use anything else

Recall Comp CPA-security via a Game.

Π is an encryption system. n is a security param.

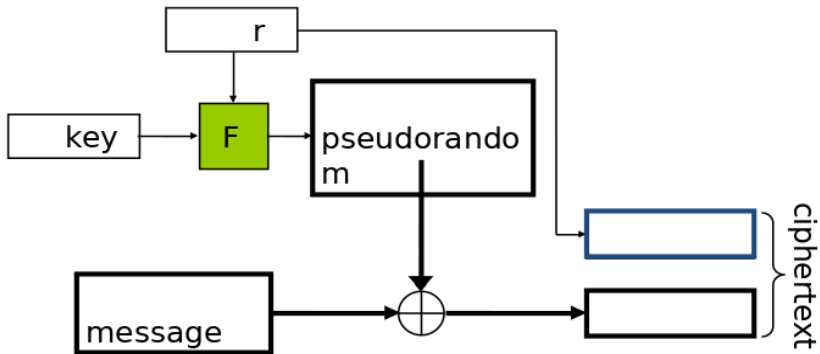
1. $k \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^n)$. Eve does NOT know k .
2. Eve picks $m_0, m_1 \in \mathcal{M}$ ($|m_0| = |m_1|$). Eve has BB for Enc_k .
3. $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$, $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}_k(m_b)$
4. Π sends c to Eve.
5. Eve outputs $b' \in \{0, 1\}$. Eve has BB for Enc_k .
6. If $b = b'$ then Eve *Wins!*

Π Comp CPA-secure if for all PPT Eve

$$\Pr[\text{Eve Wins}] \leq \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon(n)$$

CPA-secure encryption

- ▶ Let F be a keyed function
- ▶ $Gen(1^n)$: choose a uniform key $k \in \{0, 1\}^n$
- ▶ $Enc_k(m)$
 - ▶ Choose uniform $r \in \{0, 1\}^n$ (IV, Public)
 - ▶ Output ciphertext $\langle r, F_k(r) \oplus m \rangle$
- ▶ $Dec_k(c_1, c_2)$: output $c_2 \oplus F_k(c_1)$
- ▶ Correctness is immediate



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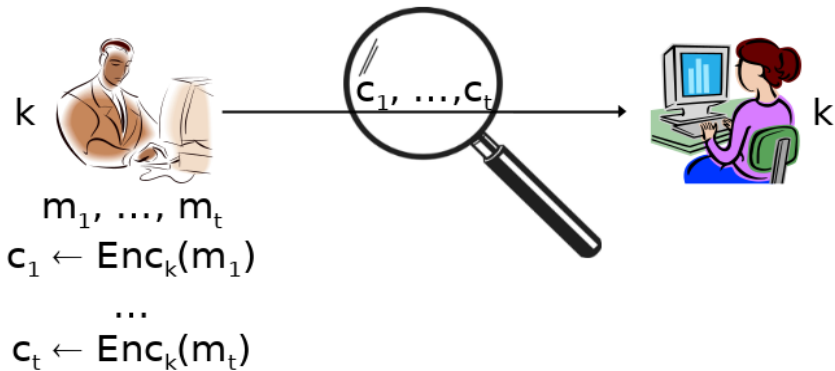
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CON Only defined for encryption of n -bit messages

CON $Enc_k(m) = \langle r, F_k(r) \oplus m \rangle$: n bit message requires $2n$ bits.

CAVEAT Can send long message break up into n -bit chunks.

CON To send t n -bits messages requires $2tn$ bits.



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(I have an iphone)

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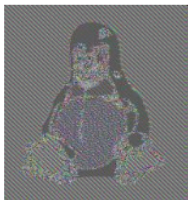
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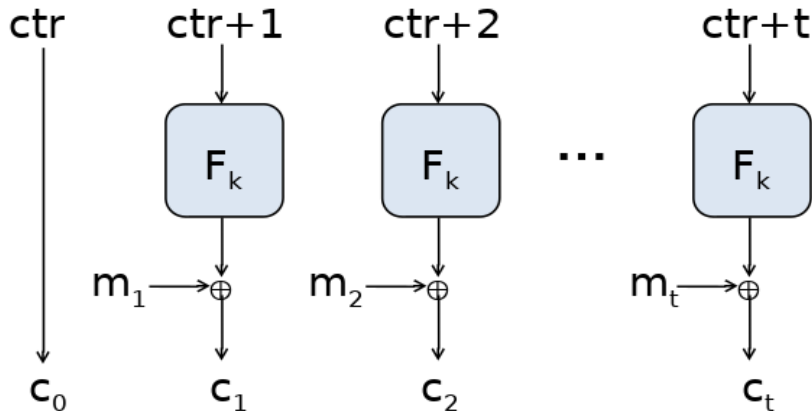
encrypted using ECB mode

(Taken from <http://en.wikipedia.org> and derived from images created by Larry Ewing (lewing@isc.tamu.edu) using The GIMP.)

Counter (CTR) Mode

- ▶ $Enc_k(m_1, \dots, m_t)$ // note: t is arbitrary
 - ▶ Choose $c_0 \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n$
 - ▶ For $i = 1$ to t : $c_i = m_i \oplus F_k(c_0 + i \pmod{2^n})$
 - ▶ Output c_0, c_1, \dots, c_t
- ▶ Decryption? [Discuss](#)
- ▶ Send t strings by sending one and add to it t times.
- ▶ To send t n -bit messages, send $t + 1$ n -bit messages.

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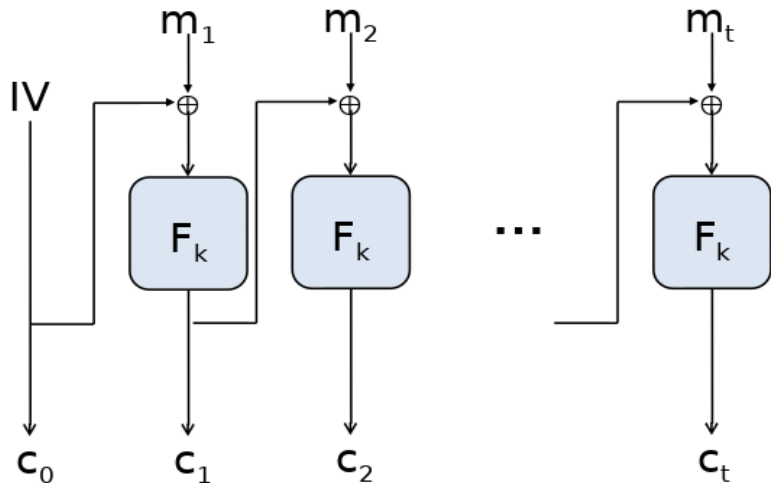
Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) Mode

- ▶ $Enc_k(m_1, \dots, m_t)$ //note t is arbitrary
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