

Cryptography

Lecture 13 III 2013

Definition The CPA indistinguishability experiment $\text{PrivK}_{\mathcal{A},\Pi}^{\text{cpa}}(n)$:

1. A key k is generated by running $\text{Gen}(1^n)$.
2. The adversary \mathcal{A} is given input 1^n and oracle access to $\text{Enc}_k(\cdot)$, and outputs a pair of messages m_0, m_1 of the same length.
3. A random bit $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$ is chosen, and then a ciphertext $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}_k(m_b)$ is computed and given to \mathcal{A} . We call c the challenge ciphertext.
4. The adversary \mathcal{A} continues to have oracle access to $\text{Enc}_k(\cdot)$, and outputs a bit b' .
5. The output of the experiment is defined to be 1 if $b' = b$, and 0 otherwise. (In case $\text{PrivK}_{\mathcal{A},\Pi}^{\text{cpa}}(n) = 1$, we say that \mathcal{A} succeeded.)

Definition (CPA-security) A private-key encryption scheme $\Pi = \langle \text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec} \rangle$ has indistinguishable encryptions under a chosen-plaintext attack (or is CPA-secure) if for all probabilistic polynomial-time adversaries \mathcal{A} there exists a negligible function negl such that

$$P \left[\text{PrivK}_{\mathcal{A},\Pi}^{\text{cpa}}(n) = 1 \right] \leq \frac{1}{2} + \text{negl}(n),$$

where the probability is taken over the random coins used by \mathcal{A} , as well as the random coins used in the experiment.

Definition (CCA-secure) For CCA experiment is defined as CPA experiment but:

- in the second and in the fourth step an adversary has also access to the decryption oracle: $\text{Dec}_k(\cdot)$.
- but in the fourth step, an adversary is not allowed to ask for the decryption of c .