

Homework (due before April, 8th. 3.45pm)

Exercise 1.*multi-bit Encryption with LWE*

Let four integers n, m, q, B . Recall the Learning with Errors (with small secret) assumption¹ $\text{LWE}_{n,m,q,B}$: the distributions $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e})$ and (\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}) are computationally indistinguishable, where $\mathbf{A} \leftarrow U(\mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n})$, $\mathbf{s} \leftarrow U((-B, B]^n)$, $\mathbf{e} \leftarrow U((-B, B]^m)$ and $\mathbf{b} \leftarrow U(\mathbb{Z}_q^m)$.

Let k be another nonzero integer. We define the multi-secret Learning with Errors (with small secret) assumption $\text{msLWE}_{n,m,q,B,k}$ as follows: the distributions $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}_2 + \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}_k + \mathbf{e}_k)$ and $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_k)$ are computationally indistinguishable, where $\mathbf{A} \leftarrow U(\mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n})$, $\mathbf{s}_i \leftarrow U((-B, B]^n)$, and $\mathbf{e}_i \leftarrow U((-B, B]^m)$ and $\mathbf{b}_i \leftarrow U(\mathbb{Z}_q^m)$ for any $i \leq k$.

1. Prove that, under the $\text{LWE}_{n,m,q,B}$ assumption, the $\text{msLWE}_{n,m,q,B,k}$ assumption holds for any polynomial k . *Hint: use an hybrid argument.*
2. Adapt the LWE-based encryption scheme from the lecture and propose a public encryption scheme with message space $\{0, 1\}^k$. Under which constraint is it correct? Prove that it is CPA-secure under the $\text{msLWE}_{n,m,q,B,k}$ assumption.
3. Is this scheme IND-CCA2 secure? If not, what can we do to turn it into an IND-CCA2 secure scheme?

Exercise 2.*OW-CPA implies IND-CPA*

Let $\text{PKE} = (\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ be a public-key encryption scheme with message space $\{0, 1\}^n$ and a hash function $H : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ modelled as a Random Oracle. We build the following encryption scheme PKE' :

$\text{Gen}'(1^\lambda)$: Run and return $(\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^\lambda)$.

$\text{Enc}'(1^\lambda)$: Sample $x \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n$. Return $c_0 := m \oplus H(x)$ and $c_1 := \text{Enc}(\text{pk}, x)$.

1. Give a decryption algorithm. Prove that the scheme is correct, assuming that PKE is correct.

We briefly recall the OW-CPA security game: the adversary is given a ciphertext, which is an encryption of a uniformly sampled message among the (finite) message space. The adversary wins if and only if it outputs the message. A PKE scheme is OW-CPA secure if no ppt adversary has non-negligible probability of winning.

2. Let \mathcal{A} be an adversary against the IND-CPA security of the scheme. Let $c_0 := m_b \oplus H(x^*)$ and $c_1 := \text{Enc}(\text{pk}, x^*)$ be the challenge ciphertext. Let QUERY be the event “ \mathcal{A} queries the random oracle on input x^* ”. Give an upper bound on the advantage of \mathcal{A} as a function of $\Pr(\text{QUERY})$.
3. Assuming that PKE is OW-CPA secure, show that PKE' is IND-CPA secure.

Exercise 3.*Lamport's signature*

The notion of existential unforgeability under single-message attack for a signature scheme $\Pi = (\text{Gen}, \text{Sign}, \text{V})$ states that no adversary can output a valid tuple (m', σ) with non-negligible probability by only querying once the signing oracle for m with $m \neq m'$.

1. Give a formal definition of the euSMA-security.

¹We used to call it $\text{ssLWE}_{n,m,q,B}$ in the previous tutorials

Let $H : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^k$ with $k < n/2$ be a collision resistant hash function. We say that H is preimage resistant if no ppt adversary, given $y = H(x)$ for x uniformly sampled, is able to compute x' such that $H(x') = y$ with non-negligible probability.

2. Show that if H is collision-resistant then it is preimage resistant.

Lamport's signature scheme for messages of length ℓ is as follows:

$\text{Gen}(1^\lambda)$: Choose uniformly $x_{i,b} \leftarrow U(\{0,1\}^n)$ for any $(i,b) \in [1,\ell] \times \{0,1\}$. Return $vk := \{y_{i,b} := H(x_{i,b}), (i,b) \in [1,\ell] \times \{0,1\}\}$ and $sk := \{x_{i,b}, (i,b) \in [1,\ell] \times \{0,1\}\}$.

$\text{Sign}(sk, m)$: To sign $m = (m_1, \dots, m_\ell) \in \{0,1\}^\ell$, return $(x_{1,m_1}, \dots, x_{\ell,m_\ell})$.

$\text{V}(vk, m, (x_1, \dots, x_\ell))$: To verify a signature, compute $H(x_i) =: y'_i$ for any $i \in [1,\ell]$. Return 1 if and only if $y'_i = y_{i,m_i}$ for all $i \in [1,\ell]$.

3. Is this scheme euCMA-secure?
4. Assuming that the hash function is preimage resistant, show the euSMA-security of the scheme.

Exercise 4.

Attacks on ElGamal

We consider the following signature scheme. Let p be a prime integer and g be a generator of \mathbb{Z}_p^* . The element $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$ is uniformly chosen, and we compute $y = g^x \text{ mod } p$. The public key is (p, g, y) and the secret key is x .

- To sign $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$, choose $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}^*$ uniformly at random and compute $r = g^k \text{ mod } p$ as well as $s = (m - xr)/k \text{ mod } p - 1$. The signature is (r, s) .
- To verify $(m, (r, s))$, accept if and only if $(r, s) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^* \times \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$ and $g^m = y^r r^s \text{ mod } p$.

We now study the security of this scheme.

1. Show the correctness of this scheme.
2. Give a key only attack (i.e. without querying a signature) against the existential unforgeability.
Hint: try with $r = g^a y^b \text{ mod } p$ for some well-chosen a and b and then find s and m such that (r, s) is a valid signature for m .