CS 6846: Quantum Algorithms and Cryptography

Lec 7: Basics of Cryptography

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Cryptography



- A mathematical science of controlling access to information
- Cryptography deals with methods for protecting the *privacy* and integrity while preserving functionality of computer and communication systems.

What would we like to achieve?



Examples

#1 : Secure Elections

Multi-party computation!



CORRECT : Winner determined correctly SECURITY : individual vote privacy maintained

#2 : Protecting your code



#3 : Activism with safety

How Iran's political battle is fought in cyberspace



International media were banned from reporting on protests i on Twitter filled the gap.

Iran's Basij Sisters suppressed election protests





C = Encrypt ("The election was rigged", R)

R, R' : Random bits

Under coercion, reveal R' s.t. C =("Really like to cook", R')

Deniable Encryption!

#4: Computing on encrypted data



Cloud Computing

Having secure access to all your applications and data from any network device

- Users access data and infrastructure on-the-go
- Cloud stores data about you, me and many more
- I should only learn information I am authorized to learn

Encrypted Computation Personalised Medicine

"The dream for tomorrow's medicine is to understand the links between DNA and disease — and to tailor therapies accordingly. But scientists have a problem: how to keep genetic data and medical records secure while still enabling the massive, cloud-based analyses needed to make meaningful associations."



"You don't look anything like the long haired, skinny kid I married 25 years ago. I need a DNA sample to make sure it's still you."

Check Hayden, E. (2015). *Nature*, *519*, 400-401.

Can Cryptography solve this?

Public Key Encryption



PKE does not suffice!

- Secret keys correspond to users
- Encrypt for each user?
- All or nothing access
 - Genomic data (for instance) is too sensitive to share
 - May be willing to participate in study which reveals output (result of study) without revealing input (personal data)

More Expressive Encryption

Functional Encryption!



Decryption recovers F(x)

- F : Age distribution of people with lung cancer
- X : particular user's disease profile

Encryption with Partial Decryption Keys



Functional Encryption [SW05,BSW11]

Personalized Medicine?



Functional Encryption [SW05,BSW11]

Spam Detection on Encrypted Email

Say we have a program P to detect spam on unencrypted email.



#5: Fully Homomorphic Encryption



* : up to minor variations

#6: Traitor Tracing



I'll buy one license And use it to forge and sell new licenses ...

Can we catch him ?

#6: Traitor Tracing

- N users in system, One PK, N SKs
- Anyone can encrypt, only legitimate user should decrypt
- If collusion of traitors create new secret key SK^{*}, can trace at least one guilty traitor.





#7: Bitcoins

- Bitcoins uses cryptography to authenticate transactions, prevent theft and double spending, incentivize honest behaviour (we'll see how).
- It is underpinned by a peer to peer network made up of its users machines, akin to the networks that underpin BitTorrent and Skype.



#8: Broadcast Encryption



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#9: Zero Knowledge

- How do you prove you know something without revealing what you know?
- When you write exams, you prove to the instructor that you know a solution by writing down the solution
- Suppose you want to sell an idea but want to reveal the idea *after* you get the money?

Sudoku

8			4		6			7
						4		
	1					6	5	
5		9		3		7	8	
				7				
	4	8		2		1		3
	5	2					9	
		1						
3			9		2			5

Fill in the grid so that :

- Every row has digits 1-9
- Every column has digits 1-9
- Every cube has digits 1-9

Zero Knowledge proof

- I want to convince my friend that I know the solution to the Sudoku puzzle without telling him the solution
- Lets be a bit formal. We have two players : a prover and a verifier
- Our tool will be packs of cards

• Draw the 9 by 9 grid and place cards face-up on it

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- Prover places cards corresponding to her solution face down.
- She places three identical valued cards face down



- Verifier starts making packets one for each column
- From each cell in the column one of three cards is chosen at random
- Similarly verifier makes packets for rows
- Lastly, verifier makes packets for subgrids

- Prover turns over the cards which are facing up in each packet and shuffles them.
- Verifier opens each packet to see that all 9 values occur in each packet

- Can the prover cheat?
- If so, with what probability of success?
- Does the verifier learn anything about the solution?





















SK_{Admin}

