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Luby-Rackoff Construction and Commitment Schemes Instructor: Alessandro Chiesa Scribe: Rohan Mathuria

1 Luby-Rackoff Contruction

From last lecture:

 $\mathcal{G} = \{G_k\}_k = \{(g_{f_4} \circ g_{f_3} \circ g_{f_2} \circ g_{f_1}) | f_4, f_3, f_2, f_1 \leftarrow F_k\}.$ Where $g_f(x, y) = y | x \oplus f(y)$

Theorem 1 If F_k is pseudorandom, G is strongly pseudorandom.

Proof:

Definition 2 $\mathcal{R} = \{R_k\}_k$ where $R_k = \{(g_{u_4} \circ g_{u_3} \circ g_{u_2} \circ g_{u_1}) | u_4, u_3, u_2, u_1 \leftarrow U_k\}$

Our proof is composed of two parts:

1) $(G, G^{-1}) \stackrel{\circ}{=} (R, R^{-1})$ (This was proved last lecture using a hybrid argument)

2) $(R, R^{-1}) \stackrel{\circ}{=} (\Pi, \Pi^{-1})$ will be subsequently proven:

Let D be any PPT distinguisher. Without loss of generality, assume D is non-repeating, since any repeating distinguisher can be wrapped with a cache that responds to repeat queries. Its distinguishing probability is:

$$|Pr[D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}(1^k) = 1] - Pr[D^{\Pi_k, \Pi_k^{-1}} = 1]|$$

By the triangle inequality,

$$\leq |Pr[D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}(1^k) = 1] - Pr[D^{\$}(1^k) = 1]| + |Pr[D^{\$}(1^k) = 1] - Pr[D^{\Pi_k, \Pi_k^{-1}} = 1]|$$

where \$ is the random distribution.

The latter term: $|Pr[D^{\$}(1^k) = 1] - Pr[D^{\Pi_k, \Pi_k^{-1}} = 1]| \leq \frac{time(D)^2}{2^k}$ which is negligible. This was not proven in lecture, but the intuition for this argument was built last lecture. Thus we will only concern ourselves with the first term.

Definition 3 A transcript τ of D is a representation of all of the queries D makes, and can be represented as $((x_1, y_1, b_1), ..., (x_q, y_q, b_q))$ such that if $b_i = 0, R_k$ was queried at x_i and received y_i , and if $b_i = 1, R_k^{-1}$ was queried at y_i and received x_i . The transcript of $D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}(1^k)$ is symbolized as $tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}(1^k))$

Definition 4 T is set of all transcripts τ such that D seeing τ outputs 1. Note: here we are fixing all of D's coinflips to have the best possible distinguishing probability.

Definition 5 Let T' be set of all transcripts τ such that D seeing τ outputs 1, and τ is consistent with the oracle being a permutation.

Then

$$|Pr[D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}(1^k) = 1] - Pr[D^{\$}(1^k) = 1]|$$

$$\begin{split} &= |\sum_{\tau \in T} \Pr[D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}(1^k) = 1 | tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] \Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] - \Pr[D^{\$} = 1 | tr(D^{\$}) = \tau] \Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau] | \\ &= |\sum_{\tau \in T} \Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] - \Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau] | \\ &\leq |\sum_{\tau \in T'} \Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] - \Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau] | + |\sum_{\tau \notin T'} \Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] - \Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau] | \end{split}$$

by the triangle inequality. The latter term is negligible since a negligible fraction of $\tau \in T$ are $\notin T'$. This wasn't proven in lecture.

Definition 6 $x_i = (L_i^0, R_i^0) \xrightarrow[u_1]{} (L_i^1, R_i^1) \xrightarrow[u_2]{} (L_i^2, R_i^2) \xrightarrow[u_3]{} (L_i^3, R_i^3) \xrightarrow[u_4]{} (L_i^4, R_i^4) = y_i$

Definition 7 u_1 is good for τ if $R_1^1, ..., R_q^1$ has no repetitions.

Definition 8 u_4 is good for τ if $L_1^3, ..., L_q^3$ has no repetitions.

Lemma 9 $Pr_{u_1,u_4}[u_1 \text{ or } u_4 \text{ is not good for } \tau] \leq \frac{q^2}{2^k} \ \forall \tau \in T'$

Proof: We need to show that $Pr[R_i^1 = R_j^1] \leq \frac{1}{2^k} \forall i \neq j$ and $Pr[L_i^3 = L_j^3] \leq \frac{1}{2^k} \forall i \neq j$. We will only prove the former; the latter follows from the same argument.

 $\begin{array}{l} (R_i^1 = R_j^1) \rightarrow L_i^0 \oplus U_1(R_i^0) = L_j^0 \oplus U_1(R_j^0). \text{ Our initial assumption that } D \text{ is non-repeating affirms that } (L_i^0, R_i^0) \neq (L_j^0, R_j^0). \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} \text{Since } (R_i^0 = R_j^0) \rightarrow (L_i^0 = L_j^0), \ R_i^0 \neq R_j^0. \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} \text{Thus, since } U \text{ is a random function, } Pr[L_i^0 \oplus U_1(R_i^0) = L_j^0 \oplus U_1(R_j^0)] \leq \frac{1}{2^k} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} \text{The rest of the argument follows similarly.} \end{array} \\ \end{array}$

Lemma 10 $Pr_{u2,u3}[tr(D^{R_k,R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] = Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau] \ \forall \tau, \ good \ u_1, u_4$

Proof: For each i,

$$L_{i}^{3} = R_{i}^{2} = L_{i}^{1} \oplus u_{2}(R_{i}^{1})$$
$$R_{i}^{3} = L_{i}^{2} \oplus u_{3}(R_{i}^{2}) = R_{i}^{1} \oplus u_{3}(L_{i}^{3})$$

 So

$$u_2(R_i^1) = L_i^1 \oplus L_i^3$$

$$u_3(L_i^3) = R_i^1 \oplus R_i^3$$

Thus, since u_1 and u_4 are good,

$$Pr_{u2,u3}[tr(D^{R_k,R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] = \frac{1}{2^{2qk}} = Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau]$$

So the initial expression that we've summed over, $Pr[tr(D^{R_k,R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] - Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau]$

 $= Pr[tr(D^{R_k,R_k^{-1}}) = \tau | u_1, u_4 \text{ are good}]Pr[u_1, u_4 \text{ are good}] + Pr[tr(D^{R_k,R_k^{-1}}) = \tau | u_1 \text{ or } u_4 \text{ is not good}]Pr[u_1 \text{ or } u_4 \text{ is not good}] - Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau]$

 $= Pr[u_1 \text{ or } u_4 \text{ is not good for } \tau](-Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau | u_1, u_4 \text{ are good}] + Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau | u_1 \text{ or } u_4 \text{ is not good}])$

Thus, the summed expression, $|\sum_{\tau \in T'} Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau] - Pr[tr(D^{\$}) = \tau]|$, by lemma 9, is = $\frac{q^2}{2^k} |\sum_{\tau} Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau | u_1 \text{ or } u_4 \text{ is not good}] - Pr[tr(D^{R_k, R_k^{-1}}) = \tau | u_1, u_4 \text{ are good}]$ which by lemma 10 is

 $\leq \frac{q^2}{2^{k-1}}$, which is negligible in k.

2 Commitment Schemes

Definition 11 A commitment scheme is a two-phase protocol between a sender and a receiver.

1) In the commitment phase, the sender commits to a message m to produce commitment c.

2) In the reveal phase, the sender reveals the message m in the commitment c.

There are two properties of a commitment scheme: hiding and binding. Conceptually, hiding requires a commitment to m to leak nothing about m, and binding requires a commitment to not be openable in two ways. Hiding and binding can each be done statistically or computationally.

	Statistical Hiding	Computational Hiding
Statistical Binding	Impossible	Possible using one-way
		permutations as we will
		see later
Computational Binding	Pedersen Commitment	Possible
	Scheme	

Definition 12 A computationally hiding statistically binding commitment scheme is a pair of PPT algorithms (Commit (C), Reveal(R)) satisfying the followin:

1) Completeness: $\forall k, \forall m \in \{0, 1\}^{l(k)}, \forall s \in \{0, 1\}^{r(k)}, R(1^k, s, C(1^k, s, m)) = m$

2) Hiding:
$$\forall \{m_k^{(1)}\}, \{m_k^{(2)}\}\$$
 such that $|m_k^{(1)}| = |m_k^{(2)}|, \{C(1^k, u_{r(k)}, m_k^{(1)})\} \stackrel{\circ}{=} \{C(1^k, u_{r(k)}, m_k^{(2)})\}$

3) Binding: $\forall k, \forall s, s' \in \{0, 1\}^{n(k)}, \forall m \in \{0, 1\}^{l(k)}, R(1^k, s', C(1^k, s, m)) \in \{m, \bot\}$

Theorem 13 If One Way Permutations Exist, there exists a computationally hiding, statistically binding encryption scheme with l(k) = 1

Proof: Let f_k be a one way permutation mapping $\{0,1\}^{n(k)}$ to $\{0,1\}^{n(k)}$

Let $C(1^k, s, m) = f_k(s), b_k(s) \oplus m$ Let $R(1^k, s, (c_1, c_2)) :=$ if $f_k(s) \neq c_1 \to \bot$ else $\to c_2 \oplus b_k(s)$

Let b_k be a hardcore bit on f_k

Claim 14 (C, R) is a computationally hiding statistically binding commitment scheme.

Proof: $\forall c_1, c_2, \exists !s, m \text{ such that } C(1^k, s, m) = c_1, c_2 \text{ since } s := f_k^{-1}(c_1), m := b_k(f_k^{-1}(c_1)) \oplus c_2.$ Thus (C, R) is statistically binding.

We didn't finish the proof that the commitment scheme is computationally hiding. That will be covered next lecture. $\hfill \Box$