

## CS 276: Homework 5

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### 1 Signature Scheme from CDH

We will construct a signature scheme that resembles the Schnorr signature scheme and prove it secure given the CDH assumption.

Let  $\mathbb{G}$  be a cryptographic group of prime order  $p$  that is generated by  $g$ . Also, let  $p$  be super-polynomial in the security parameter  $\lambda$ . Let us also define two random oracles  $H : \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$  and  $G : \mathcal{M} \times \mathbb{G}^6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$ , where  $\mathcal{M}$  is the message space.

1.  $\text{Gen}(1^\lambda)$ : Sample  $x \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$  and compute  $y = g^x$ . Output  $\text{pk} = y$  and  $\text{sk} = x$ .
2.  $\text{Sign}(\text{sk}, m)$ : To sign a message  $m \in \mathcal{M}$ , sample  $k \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$  and compute the following:

$$\begin{aligned} u &= g^k \\ h &= H(u) \\ z &= h^{\text{sk}} \\ v &= h^k \\ c &= G(m, g, h, \text{pk}, z, u, v) \\ s &= k + c \cdot \text{sk} \pmod{p} \\ \sigma &= (z, s, c) \end{aligned}$$

Output  $\sigma$ .

3.  $\text{Verify}(\text{pk}, m, \sigma)$ : Compute the following:

$$\begin{aligned} u' &= g^s \cdot \text{pk}^{-c} \\ h' &= H(u') \\ v' &= h'^s \cdot z^{-c} \\ c' &= G(m, g, h', \text{pk}, z, u', v') \end{aligned}$$

Output 1 (accept) if  $c = c'$  and 0 (reject) otherwise.

**Definition 1.1 (Computational Diffie-Hellman (CDH) Assumption)** *The CDH challenger samples  $a, b \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$  independently and gives the adversary  $(g, g^a, g^b)$ . The adversary wins the CDH game if they return  $g^{a \cdot b}$ . The CDH assumption states that for any PPT adversary, the probability that the adversary wins the CDH game is  $\text{negl}(\lambda)$ .*

**Question:** Prove that the signature scheme constructed above is secure in the random oracle model given the CDH assumption.

## 2 Additively Homomorphic Encryption (AHE)

Some natural encryption schemes, such as El Gamal encryption, are additively homomorphic<sup>1</sup>, meaning that  $\text{Enc}(m^{(1)})$  and  $\text{Enc}(m^{(2)})$  can be combined into a valid encryption of  $m^{(1)} + m^{(2)}$  without knowledge of the secret key. It turns out that this property is sufficient to construct public-key encryption. We will show that secret-key additively homomorphic encryption implies public-key encryption.

**Definition 2.1 (Additively Homomorphic Encryption)** Let  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec}, H_{\oplus})$  be four PPT algorithms with message space  $\mathcal{M} = \{0, 1\}$  and ciphertext space  $\mathcal{C}$ . Let  $H_{\oplus}$  map  $\mathcal{C}^{\ell} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ , for any  $\ell = \text{poly}(\lambda)$ .

Next,  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec}, H_{\oplus})$  is a **secret-key additively homomorphic encryption (AHE) scheme**<sup>2</sup> if the following properties are satisfied:

- **Perfect Correctness:** For any  $\ell = \text{poly}(\lambda)$  messages  $(m^{(1)}, \dots, m^{(\ell)}) \in \{0, 1\}^{\ell}$ :

$$\Pr \left[ \text{Dec}(\text{sk}, H_{\oplus}[\text{Enc}(\text{sk}, m^{(1)}), \dots, \text{Enc}(\text{sk}, m^{(\ell)})]) = \sum_{i \in [\ell]} m^{(i)} \pmod{2} \right] = 1$$

- **Compactness:** There exists a polynomial function  $m(\cdot)$  such that for any  $\ell = \text{poly}(\lambda)$  messages  $(m^{(1)}, \dots, m^{(\ell)}) \in \{0, 1\}^{\ell}$ , the length of  $H_{\oplus}[\text{Enc}(\text{sk}, m^{(1)}), \dots, \text{Enc}(\text{sk}, m^{(\ell)})]$  is upper-bounded by  $m(\lambda)$ .<sup>3</sup>
- **CPA security:**  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  constitute a CPA secure encryption scheme.

The following construction builds a public-key encryption scheme  $(\text{Gen}', \text{Enc}', \text{Dec}')$  from a secret-key AHE scheme  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec}, H_{\oplus})$ .

1.  $\text{Gen}'(1^{\lambda})$ : Compute the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sk} &\leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^{\lambda}) \\ \ell' &= 4m(\lambda) \\ r &\stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}^{\ell'} \setminus \{0^{\ell'}\} \\ X_i &\leftarrow \text{Enc}(\text{sk}, r_i), \quad \forall i \in [\ell'] \\ \text{pk} &= (X_1, \dots, X_{\ell'}, r) \end{aligned}$$

Then output  $(\text{pk}, \text{sk})$ .

2.  $\text{Enc}'(\text{pk}, m)$ :

- (a) Sample  $s \in \{0, 1\}^{\ell'}$  uniformly at random such that  $\langle r, s \rangle = m$ .<sup>4</sup>
- (b) Let  $X_s$  be a tuple of all the  $X_i$ -values for which  $s_i = 1$ .
- (c) Compute and output  $c = H_{\oplus}(X_s)$ .

3.  $\text{Dec}'(\text{sk}, c)$ : Output  $\text{Dec}(\text{sk}, c)$ .

<sup>1</sup>This is assuming we use the additive notation for operations over the cryptographic group.

<sup>2</sup>Public-key additively homomorphic encryption is defined similarly, except  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  are a public-key encryption scheme,  $H_{\oplus}$  takes  $\text{pk}$  as input, and  $\text{Enc}$  takes  $\text{pk}$ , instead of  $\text{sk}$ , as input.

<sup>3</sup>Note that  $m(\lambda)$  is independent of  $\ell$ .

<sup>4</sup> $\langle r, s \rangle = \sum_{i \in [\ell']} r_i \cdot s_i \pmod{2}$ . We can sample  $s$  using rejection sampling: sample  $s \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}^{\ell'}$  and check whether  $\langle r, s \rangle = m$ . If not, then reject this  $s$  and repeat the procedure.

**Question:** Prove that if  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec}, H_{\oplus})$  is a secret-key AHE scheme, then  $(\text{Gen}', \text{Enc}', \text{Dec}')$  satisfies (1) CPA security and (2) the following notion of perfect correctness:

$$\Pr [\text{Dec}'(\text{sk}, \text{Enc}'(\text{pk}, m)) = m] = 1, \quad \forall m \in \{0, 1\}$$