

CS-690C: Homework 4

Problem 1. (20 points.) Find a popular news article about cryptography and provide a link to it. Critique it from a technical perspective. Did they do a good job explaining the main ideas? Is there anything they got wrong? Anything they did well? Anything they should have added?

Problem 1. (80 points.)

Let $\text{AE} = (\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ be a public-key encryption scheme with message space MsgSp . For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ define the n -fold parallel composition of AE as $\text{AE}^n = (\mathcal{K}^n, \mathcal{E}^n, \mathcal{D}^n)$ with message space MsgSp^n as follows. Algorithm \mathcal{K}^n outputs

$$((pk_1, \dots, pk_n), (sk_1, \dots, sk_n))$$

where $(pk_i, sk_i) \leftarrow_{\$} \mathcal{K}$ for all $i \in [n]$. Algorithm \mathcal{E}^n on inputs $(pk_1, \dots, pk_n), (m_1, \dots, m_n)$ outputs (c_1, \dots, c_n) where $c_i \leftarrow_{\$} \mathcal{E}(pk_i, m_i)$ for all $i \in [n]$. Algorithm \mathcal{D}^n is defined accordingly. Show that AE^n is IND-CPA if AE is. You should formulate and prove a corresponding concrete security statement.