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Doubly half-injective PRGs for incompressible white-box cryptography

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White-box attack scenario plaintext/ciphertext

Adversary gets access to the implementation code and its execution environment

WB Cryptography aims to maintain a program secure even when subject to this attack model









Outline

- Incompressibility for white-box cryptography
- PRGs, PRFs and the GGM tree
- An incompressible PRF
- Doubly-half injective PRGs
- Conclusions









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Incompressibility for white-box cryptography



Adversarial capabilities

- The adversary gets access to the program code of an implementation
- He could extract keys, but also copy the program and its functionality
- Threat of code-lifting attacks











Methods for mitigating code-lifting attacks

Incompressibility Delerablée, Lepoint, Paillier, Rivain: White-box security notions for symmetric encryption schemes Fouque, Karpman, Kirchner, Minaud: Efficient and provable white-box primitives













In this work

- We build an incompressible wb-encryption scheme
- Our construction is based on standard assumptions, such as pseudorandom generators and pseudorandom functions









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PRGs, PRFs and the GGM tree



Pseudorandom generators

- Deterministic, polynomial time computable function satisfying:
 - Length-expansion: for all
 - Pseudorandomness: the output from the PRG should be indistinguishable from random

 $G_0(x)$





$x \in \{0,1\}^* | PRG(x) | = 2 |x|$

X $G_1(x)$ ${\mathcal X}$





Pseudorandom functions

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$n \in \mathbb{N}, k, x \in \{0,1\}^n, |PRF(k,x)| = |y|$









GGM tree: building a PRF from a PRG

- Introduced by Goldreich, Goldwasser and Micali
- tree







Input x of the PRF(k,x) represents the binary address of the binary





GGM tree

• E.g. x= 10

• PRF(k,x)= GGM(k,m)= $G_0 \circ G_1(k)$









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An incompressible white-box pseudorandom function



(Incompressible) PRF implementation

- Build a PRF which uses a large, incompressible key Key expansion
 - $k \in \{0,1\}^*$

 - Functionality preservation:



$K = Comp_{PRF}(k)$, with |K| > > |k|

$\forall k, x \in \{0, 1\}^*, f(k, x) = F(K, x)$





Construction (1) - PRF

f(k, x)

$y \leftarrow \mathsf{GGM}(k, x)$ return y

Standard PRF based on the GGM tree











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Construction (2) - Compiler

 $\operatorname{Comp}_{\operatorname{PRF}}(k)$

for j from 0 to $2^{\ell} - 1$ $k_j := \operatorname{GGM}(k, < j >)$ $K \leftarrow k_0 || ... || k_{2^{\ell} - 1}$ return K



• Iterate the GGM on key k and all possible values of length ρ









$K = k_0 ||k_1||k_2||k_3$









Construction (3) - Incompressible PRF

F(K, x)

- $(x[1...\ell], x[\ell + 1...|x|]) \leftarrow x$ $j \leftarrow x[1...\ell]$ $y \leftarrow \mathsf{GGM}(k_i, x[\ell + 1...|x|])$ return y.



• F takes as input the long key K. Input x is split in two.





F(K, x)

 $(x[1...\ell], x[\ell + 1...|x|]) \leftarrow x$ $j \leftarrow x[1...\ell]$ $y \leftarrow \mathsf{GGM}(k_j, x[\ell + 1...|x|])$ return y. $G_0(k)$ k_1 k_0





 k_{z}

GGM(k_2 , 11)

 k_{γ}



F(K, x)

 $(x[1...\ell], x[\ell + 1...|x|]) \leftarrow x$ $j \leftarrow x[1...\ell]$ $y \leftarrow \mathsf{GGM}(k_j, x[\ell + 1...|x|])$ return y. $G_0(k)$









$y \leftarrow \mathbf{GGM}(k_2, 11)$











Possible collisions $k = k_a$ KI y_0 y_1

For our incompressibility property to hold, we need injectivity







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Doubly-half injective PRGs



PRG with double injectivity



We want injectivity from L to the set Y, with $k \in L$ and $y_0, y_1 \in Y$.











Left-half-injective PRG

• Construction by Garg, Pandey, Srinivasan and Zhandry: use a one-way permutation to construct a left-half injective PRG

Breaking the sub-exponential barrier in obfustopia



$G(x) := \mathsf{OWP}^{|x|}(x) ||B(x)||B(\mathsf{OWP}(x))|| \dots ||B(\mathsf{OWP}^{|x|-1}(x)),$ with B = hardcore bit









Doubly-half injective PRG

• Assuming a left-half injective, length doubling PRG











Doubly-half injective PRG $g(x_0 | | x_1) := G_0(x_0) | |G_1(x_0) \oplus G_0(x_x)| |G_0(x_1)| |G_1(x_1) \oplus G_0(x_0)|$ Left half is injective, Let $w_0 | | w_1$, s.t. $g_0(w_0 | | w_1) = g_0(x_0 | | x_1)$ G_0 is a permutation $\rightarrow x_0 = w_0$ $G_1(w_0) \oplus G_0(w_1) = G_1(x_0) \oplus G_0(x_1)$ G_0 is a permutation $\rightarrow x_1 = w_1$

The injectivity of the right half follows analogously









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Conclusions







- Provide an incompressible (big key) white-box encryption scheme Results based on standard crypto-assumptions
- Construct a new type of PRG









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Provide an incompressible (big key) white-box encryption scheme







Alternative desirable properties

- Making a program traceable (*traceability*)
- Binding the WB to a precise hardware device (hardware) binding)
- Making the functionality of the WB dependent of a set of inputs (input binding/application binding)



















Why is F incompressible?

$$\frac{f(k, x)}{y \leftarrow \text{GGM}(k, x)} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{Comp}_{\text{PRF}}(k) \\ \text{for } j \text{ from } 0 \\ k_j := \text{GGM}(k) \\ K \leftarrow k_0 || \dots || k \\ \text{return } K \end{array}$$

We need the complete key K to achieve f(k, x) = F(K, x) for all $x \in \{0, 1\}^*$ However, this might only hold depending on the definition of the PRG used in the GGM tree.





Theorem 1

IF *PRF* admits a computationally (σ, λ) – incompressible implementation F, the wb-encryption scheme in Constructino 1 is a $(\sigma, \lambda - n - o(1))$ incompressible wb-encryption scheme.

• Proof sketch via reduction: we reduce the incompressibility of F to the incompressibility of the encryption scheme. Cannot produce a valid MAC without the complete key K







Doubly-half injective PRG

- We define a PRG which is left-half and right-half injective.
- Three properties required:
 - Length-doubling: For all $x \in \{0,1\}^* |g(x)| = 2|x|$. $g_0(x)$ is the left haf of g and $g_1(x)$ is the right half.
 - **Doubly-half injective:** g_0 and g_1 are injective.
 - Pseudorandomness: $g(U_n)$ is computationally indistinguishable from U_{2n} .







Construction 1 via AE-scheme and F

 $\operatorname{Kgen}(1^n)$

 $\mathbf{return} \ k$

 $\operatorname{Comp}(k)$ $k' \leftarrow k[0:n$ $k'' \leftarrow k[n:2n]$ $K := \operatorname{Comp}_{\operatorname{PRF}}(k)$ $\operatorname{Enc}_{WB} := C[K,$ return Enc_{WB}





 $\operatorname{Enc}(k,m)$ $k' \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ $k' \leftarrow k[0: n-1]$ $k' \leftarrow k[0: n-1]$ $k'' \leftarrow \$ \{0,1\}^n \qquad k'' \leftarrow k[n:2n-1] \qquad k'' \leftarrow k[n:2n-1]$ $k \leftarrow k' || k'' \qquad t \leftarrow f(k', m)$ $\tau \leftarrow (m, t)$ return c

Dec(k,c) $\tau \leftarrow \texttt{ADec}(k'', c)$ $(m,t) \leftarrow \tau$ $c \leftarrow \text{sAEnc}(k'', \tau)$ if t = f(k', m) return m. else return \perp

$$1] - 1] k') k''](.)$$

$$C[K, k''](m)$$

$$t \leftarrow F(K, m)$$

$$\tau \leftarrow (m, t)$$

$$c \leftarrow * AEnc(k'', \tau)$$

return c





Use cases of white-box cryptography

- Original concern: Digital Rights Management

• Chow, Eisen Johnson and van Oorschot - A white-box cryptography and an AES implementation

 Recently proposed as a method for protecting implemented in software



• White-box crypto introduced as a method to mitigate piracy

cryptographic keys within mobile payment applications





Global construction of the scheme

Key expansion property

 $y \leftarrow \mathsf{GGM}(k, x)$ return y

 $\operatorname{Comp}_{\operatorname{PRF}}(k)$

for j from 0 to $k_j := \mathtt{GGM}(k, \cdot$ $K \leftarrow k_0 || \dots || k_{2^{\ell}}$ return K





Pseudorandomness property follows from the property of the GGM

$$\begin{array}{c} F(K,x) \\ f(x) = 2^{\ell} - 1 \\ < j >) \\ -1 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} F(K,x) \\ \hline (x[1...\ell], x[\ell + 1...|x|]) \leftarrow x \\ j \leftarrow x[1...\ell] \\ y \leftarrow \mathsf{GGM}(k_j, x[\ell + 1...|x|]) \\ \mathbf{return} \quad u. \end{array}$$

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Methods for mitigating code-lifting attacks

- Two popular methods have been studied in the literature:
 - Traceability schemes





Delerablée, Lepoint, Paillier, Rivain: White-box security notions for symmetric encryption







