

One-time signatures

One-time signature forging game $\text{Sig-forge}_{A,\Pi}^{\text{one}}(n)$

1. $(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^n)$.
2. A is given $1^n, pk$ and may ask single query m' to $\text{Sign}_{sk}(\cdot)$.
It outputs pair (m, σ) , where $m \neq m'$.
3. Output of experiment is 1, if and only if (1) $\text{Vrfy}_{pk}(m, \sigma) = 1$.

Definition 2.8 Π is called existentially unforgeable under a single message attack or one-time signature, if for every ppt adversary A there is a negligible function $\mu : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$\Pr[\text{Sig-forge}_{A,\Pi}^{\text{one}}(n) = 1] = \mu(n).$$

Lamport's one-time signature

Construction 2.9 $f: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$, signature scheme

$\Pi_f = (\text{Gen}, \text{Sign}, \text{Vrfy})$ for messages of length n defined as:

Gen(1^n): $\mathbf{x}_{i,b} \leftarrow \{0,1\}^n, \mathbf{y}_{i,b} = f(\mathbf{x}_{i,b}), i = 1, \dots, n, b \in \{0,1\}$.

$$\text{pk} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}_{1,0} & \mathbf{y}_{2,0} & \cdots & \mathbf{y}_{n,0} \\ \mathbf{y}_{1,1} & \mathbf{y}_{2,1} & \cdots & \mathbf{y}_{n,1} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\text{sk} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{1,0} & \mathbf{x}_{2,0} & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_{n,0} \\ \mathbf{x}_{1,1} & \mathbf{x}_{2,1} & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_{n,1} \end{pmatrix},$$

Sign_{sk}(m): output $\sigma := (\mathbf{x}_{1,m_1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{n,m_n}), m = m_1 \cdots m_n$.

Vrfy_{pk}(m, σ): output = 1 $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{y}_{i,m_i} = f(\mathbf{x}_{i,m_i})$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Lamport's one-time signature

Theorem 2.10 If f is a one-way function, then Π_f from Construction 2.9 is a one-time signature.

m' := message whose signature is requested by A

(m, σ) := A 's final output

Adversary A outputs forgery at (i, b) , if

- $\text{Vrfy}_{pk}(m, \sigma) = 1$
- $m_i = b$ and $m_i \neq m'_i$

From forger to inverter

I on input y^*

1. Choose $i^* \leftarrow \{1, \dots, n\}, b^* \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$.
2. For all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, b \in \{0, 1\}$ with $(i, b) \neq (i^*, b^*)$ do
 choose $x_{i,b} \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^n$, set $y_{i,b} := f(x_{i,b}), y_{i^*, b^*} := y^*$
3. Simulate A on input $pk := \begin{pmatrix} y_{1,0} & y_{2,0} & \cdots & y_{n,0} \\ y_{1,1} & y_{2,1} & \cdots & y_{n,1} \end{pmatrix}$
4. When A requests a signature on message m' :
 - if $m'_i = b^*$, stop
 - otherwise return the correct signature $\sigma = (x_{1,m'_1}, \dots, x_{n,m'_n})$
5. When A outputs (m, σ) with $\sigma = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$
 - if A outputs a forgery at (i^*, b^*) , output x_{i^*} .

What have we achieved, what's missing?

- just a one-time signature, where
- keys are longer than messages
- need to decouple key and message length
- key ingredient to achieve this are collision-resistant hash functions
- constructions works for one-time signatures and general signatures
- constructions based on simpler ingredients i.e. universal one-way hash functions also known
- these can be constructed from one-way functions
- to go from one-time signatures to general signatures first construct stateful signatures
- use PRFs to remove statefulness

Hash functions

Definition 2.11 A hash function is a pair $\Pi = (\text{Gen}, H)$ of ppts, where

1. $\text{Gen}(1^n)$ takes as input 1^n and outputs a key s .
2. H is deterministic, it takes as input 1^n , a key s , and $x \in \{0,1\}^*$. There is a polynomial $l:\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that if s was generated with input 1^n , then $H(s, x) \in \{0,1\}^{l(n)}$.

Write $H^s(x)$ for $H(s, x)$.

If H^s is defined only for inputs $x \in \{0,1\}^{l'(n)}$ for some polynomial l' , then Π is a fixed-length hash function for inputs of length $l'(n)$.

The collision-finding game

Collision-finding game $\text{Hash-coll}_{A,\Pi}(n)$

1. $s \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^n)$.
2. A is given 1^n and s . It outputs x, x' (with length $l'(n)$ if Π is fixed-length).
3. Output of experiment is 1, if and only if $x \neq x'$ and $H^s(x) = H^s(x')$. Say A has found collision.

Definition 2.12 $\Pi = (\text{Gen}, H)$ called collision-resistant, if for every probabilistic polynomial time adversary A there is a negligible function $\mu : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$\Pr[\text{Hash-coll}_{A,\Pi}(n) = 1] = \mu(n).$$

Weaker notions

1. coll.-res.

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2. 2nd-preimage res. given s, x , find $x' \neq x$ with $H^s(x) = H^s(x')$

3. pre-image res. given $s, y = H^s(x)$, find x' with $H^s(x') = y$

Fact Under appropriate assumptions

coll.res. \Rightarrow 2nd-preimage res. \Rightarrow pre-image res.

A generic attack & birthday paradoxon

$$H^s : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n \text{ for } s \in \{0,1\}^n$$

On input $s \in \{0,1\}^n$

1. Choose $q \in \mathbb{N}$
2. $x_1, \dots, x_q \leftarrow \{0,1\}^n, y_i := H^s(x_i)$
3. if there exist $i, j, i \neq j$, such that $y_i = y_j$, output (x_i, x_j) , otherwise output \perp .

Fact Assume that for all $x_1, \dots, x_q \in \{0,1\}^*$ pairwise distinct and all $y_1, \dots, y_q \in \{0,1\}^n$ we have $\Pr[\forall i: H^s(x_i) = y_i] = 2^{-qn}$, then

$$\frac{q(q-1)}{2^{n+2}} \leq \Pr[\exists i, j \in \{1, \dots, q\}, i \neq j: y_i = y_j] \leq \frac{q(q-1)}{2^{n+1}}.$$

Arbitrary length hash functions

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Gen: same as Gen' .

H: on input key s and $x \in \{0,1\}^*$, $|x| = L < 2^{l(n)}$ do:

1. $B := \lceil L/l \rceil$ and pad x with 0's so its length is multiple of l , $x := x_1 \dots x_B$, $x_{B+1} := L$ (with l bits).
2. $z_0 := 0^l$.
3. For $i = 1, \dots, B + 1$, compute $z_i := h^s(z_{i-1} \parallel x_i)$.
4. Output z_{B+1} .

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Theorem 2.14 If Π' is collision-resistant, then Π is collision-resistant.

Hash-and-Sign

$\Upsilon' = (\text{Gen}', \text{Mac}', \text{Vrfy}')$ sig. scheme with message length $l(n)$,

$\Pi = (\text{Gen}_H, H)$ hash function with hash length $l(n)$.

Construction 2.15 Sig. scheme $\Upsilon = (\text{Gen}, \text{Sign}, \text{Vrfy})$ defined as:

$\text{Gen}(1^n)$: $(pk', sk') \leftarrow \text{Gen}'(1^n), s \leftarrow \text{Gen}_H(1^n),$
 $pk = (pk', s), sk = sk'$

$\text{Sign}_{sk}(m)$: $\sigma := \text{Sign}'_{sk}(H^s(m)).$

$\text{Vrfy}_{pk}(m, \sigma)$ output = 1 \Leftrightarrow 1 = $\text{Vrfy}'_{pk'}(H^s(m), \sigma).$

Theorem 2.16 If Υ' is secure and Π is collision-resistant, then Υ is secure.

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Theorem 2.17 If Υ' is a one-time signature and Π is collision-resistant, then Υ is a one-time signature.

Hash-and-Sign

A := adversary against Υ

Signature forging game $\text{Sign-forge}_{A,\Upsilon}(n)$

1. $(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^n)$.
2. A is given $1^n, pk$ and oracle access to $\text{Sign}_{sk}(\cdot)$. It outputs pair (m, σ) . \mathcal{Q} := set of queries made by A to $\text{Sign}_{sk}(\cdot)$.
3. Output of experiment is 1, if and only if (1) $\text{Vrfy}_{pk}(m, \sigma) = 1$, and (2) $m \notin \mathcal{Q}$.

$\text{Coll} := \exists m' \in \mathcal{Q} : H^s(m') = H^s(m)$

$$\Pr[\text{Sign-forge}_{A,\Upsilon}(n) = 1] \leq \Pr[\text{Sign-forge}_{A,\Upsilon}(n) = 1 \wedge \neg \text{Coll}] + \Pr[\text{Coll}]$$

Collision-finder A_1

A_1 on input 1^n and $s \leftarrow \text{Gen}_H$

1. Run Gen' to obtain key (pk', sk') .
2. Simulate A . Whenever A queries its Sign-oracle $\text{Sign}_{sk}(\cdot)$ on a message m' , do:
 - a) Compute $h := H^s(m')$.
 - b) Compute $\sigma' := \text{Sign}_{sk'}(h)$ and return σ' to A .
3. Let Q be the set of queries made by A and let (m, σ) be A 's answer. If there is an $m' \in Q$ with $H^s(m') = H^s(m)$, return the pair (m, m') , otherwise return "failure".

Sign-forgery A_2

A_2 on input 1^n and oracle access to $\text{Sign}'_{sk'}(\cdot)$

1. Run Gen_H to obtain key s .
2. Simulate A . Whenever A queries its Sign-oracle $\text{Sign}_{sk}(\cdot)$ on a message m' , do:
 - a) Compute $h := H^s(m')$.
 - b) Query $\text{Sign}'_{sk'}(\cdot)$ on input h to obtain $\sigma' := \text{Sign}'_{sk'}(h)$, return σ' to A .
3. Let Q be the set of queries made by A . If A returns a pair (m, t) such that $H^s(m) \neq H^s(m')$ for all $m' \in Q$, then return pair $(H^s(m), t)$, otherwise return "failure".