

dmm: PSet #4 out today

- Today:
- Digital Signatures
  - Security of digital signatures.
  - Hash & Sign
  - RSA - FDH
  - RSA - PSS
  - El-Gamal digital sigs
  - DSA - NIST standard

## Digital Signatures

- Invented by Diffie & Hellman in 1976  
("New Directions in Cryptography").

Idea: • signature depends on the msg.

• How to verify?

Each user has a pair of keys (PK, SK).

PK is public, SK is kept secret.

Use PK to verify, & use SK to sign.

- First implementation: RSA (1977)

## Current way of describing digital signatures:

Def: A signature scheme consists of 3 algorithms

$$\bullet \text{KeyGen}(1^\lambda) \rightarrow (\text{PK}, \text{SK})$$

security parameter
verification key
secret key

$$\bullet \text{Sign}(\text{SK}, m) \rightarrow \sigma_{\text{SK}}(m) \quad (\text{may be randomized})$$

$$\bullet \text{Verify}(\text{PK}, m, \sigma) = 1/0 \quad (\text{acc/reject})$$

Correctness:  $\forall m, \text{Verify}(\text{PK}, m, \text{Sign}(\text{SK}, m)) = 1$   
 $\forall (\text{PK}, \text{SK}) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^\lambda)$

Security:

Weak existential unforgeability against adaptive chosen message attacks

(i) Challenger generates  $(\text{PK}, \text{SK}) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^\lambda)$ , and sends PK to Adversary.

(ii) Adversary obtains signature to a sequence of msgs of his choice:

$$m_1, m_2, \dots, m_g, \quad g = \text{poly}(\lambda),$$

where  $m_i$  can depend on signatures to  $m_1, \dots, m_{i-1}$  (i.e., adaptive).

$$\text{Let } \sigma_i = \text{Sign}(SK, m_i).$$

(iii) Adversary outputs a pair  $(m, \sigma^*)$ .

Adversary wins if:

- $\text{Verify}(PK, m, \sigma^*) = 1$
- &
- $m \notin \{m_1, \dots, m_g\}$ .

Scheme is secure (i.e., weakly existentially unforgeable against adaptive chosen msg attacks) if

$$\Pr[\text{Adv wins}] = \text{negl}(\lambda).$$

Scheme is strongly secure if adv can't even produce a new signature for a msg that was previously signed for him.

Namely: Adv wins if

- $\text{Verify}(PK, m, \sigma^*) = 1$
- &
- $(m, \sigma^*) \notin \{(m_1, \sigma_1), \dots, (m_g, \sigma_g)\}$ .

## Hash & Sign :

For efficiency reasons, often better to sign  $h(\text{msg})$  rather than  $\text{msg}$  (where  $h$  is a cryptographic hash function), since hashing (say, SHA256) is extremely efficient compared to signing operations (such as modular exponentiation).

- Hash function should be collision resistant.
- Claim: If  $(\text{KeyGen}, \text{Sign}, \text{Verify})$  is secure &  $h$  is collision resistant then the hash& Sign version of  $(\text{KeyGen}, \text{Sign}, \text{Verify})$  is also secure.
- Interestingly: Hash & Sign paradigm is also useful for security!

## Signing with RSA

Diffie & Hellman (1976) suggested a (general) method for using any (det.) public key encryption scheme as a signature scheme:

Idea:  $\text{Sign}(sk, m) = \text{Dec}(sk, m)$   
 $\text{Verify}(pk, m, \sigma) = 1$  iff  $\text{Enc}(pk, \sigma) = m$

First Attempt:

- $\text{KeyGen}(1^\lambda)$ : choose  $n = p \cdot q$       $p, q$  random  $\lambda$ -bit primes.  
choose  $e, d$  s.t.  $e \cdot d = 1 \pmod{\varphi(n)}$ .

$$\text{PK} = (n, e)$$

$$\text{SK} = (n, d)$$

- $\text{Sign}(\text{SK}, m) = m^d \pmod{n}$ .

- $\text{Verify}(\text{PK}, m, \sigma) = 1$  iff  $(\sigma^e) = m \pmod{n}$ .

Note:  $(m^d)^e = m^{d \cdot e} = m \pmod{n}$  ✓

Is this secure?

No! Since given  $\text{sign}(\text{SK}, m)$  one can easily sign  $2m$ .

What if we use hash & sign?

Given  $(m_1, h(m_1)^d \pmod{n}), \dots, (m_g, h(m_g)^d \pmod{n})$

is it easy to sign a new msg?

Ans.: Depends on  $h \dots$

Bellare-Rogaway 93:

"Random oracles are practical: a paradigm for designing efficient protocols."

Idea: Think of the hash function as being truly random.

I.e., as a random oracle. This is called the random oracle model (ROM).

Prove security in ROM.

Full Domain Hash (FDH)

Hash & Sign RSA with  $h: \mathbb{Z}_n^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n^*$

$$\text{Sign}_{(SK, m)} = (h(m))^d \pmod n$$

(n, d)

$$\text{Verify}_{(PK, m, \sigma)} = 1 \text{ iff } (\sigma^e) \pmod n = h(m)$$

(n, e)

[BR93] Proved that FDH is secure in the ROM.  
assuming RSA func. is hard to invert.

However, security reduction was not tight...

Loosely speaking, if the RSA function is  $(t', \epsilon')$ -secure

$\nexists$  adv running in time  $\leq t'$   
can invert w.p.  $\leq \epsilon'$

then FDH sig scheme is  $(t, q_{sig}, q_{hash}, \epsilon)$ -secure

$\nexists$  adv running in time  $\leq t$   
making  $\leq q_{sig}$  signature calls &  $\leq q_{hash}$  hash calls  
can forge a new sig w.p.  $\leq \epsilon$ .

where  $t = t' - \text{poly}(q_{sig}, q_{hash}, \lambda)$

$$\epsilon = (q_{sig} + q_{hash}) \cdot \epsilon'$$

$\leftarrow \epsilon$  is much larger than  $\epsilon'$  😞

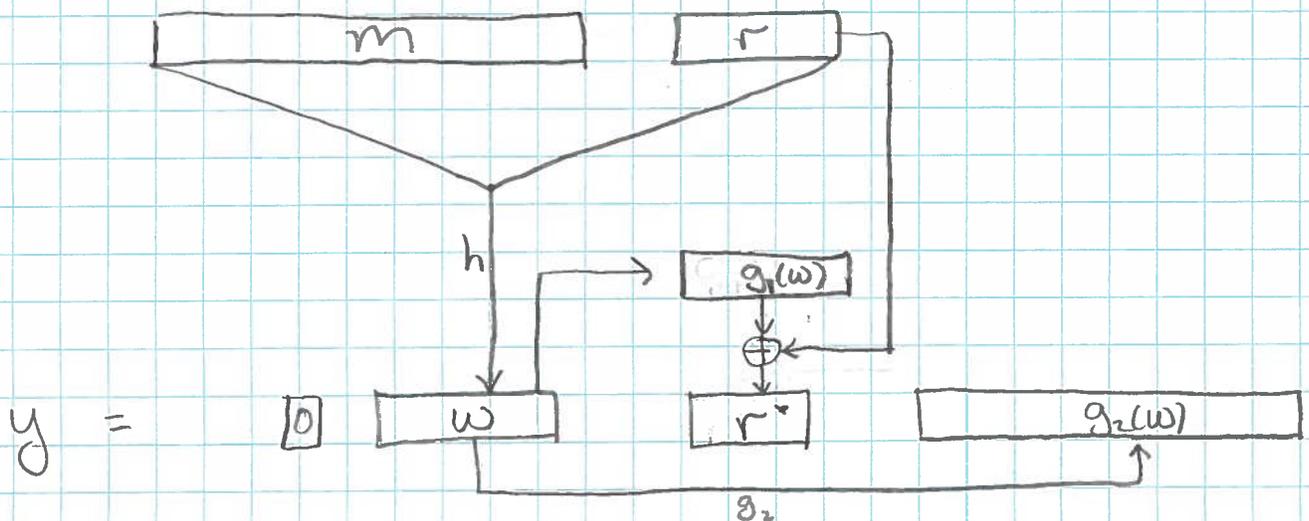
## PSS - Probabilistic Signature Scheme [BR96]

RSA based:

$$\text{Sign}(sk, m) = y^d \pmod n$$

(n, d)

$y = ?$  probabilistic hash of  $m$



Namely,  $y = 0 \| w \| r^* \| g_2(w)$

$$r \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{k_0}$$

$$w \leftarrow h(m \| r) \quad |w| = k_1$$

$$r^* = g_1(w) \oplus r \quad |r^*| = k_0$$

$$y = 0 \| w \| r^* \| g_2(w) \quad |y| = 1 + k_1 + k_0 + k - (k_0 + k_1 + 1) = k$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{k - (k_0 + k_1 + 1)}$

$$\text{Sign}_{(SK, m)}^{(n, d)} = y^d \pmod n$$

Verify (PK, m,  $\sigma$ ):

compute  $y = \sigma^e \pmod n$

Parse  $y = \underbrace{b}_1 \| \underbrace{w}_{k_1} \| \underbrace{r^*}_{k_0} \| \underbrace{\gamma}_{k - (k_0 + k_1 + 1)}$

Let  $r = g_1(w) \oplus r^*$

Output 1 iff  $h(m, r) = w$  &  $g_2(w) = \gamma$  &  $b = 0$ .

Thm: If  $h, g_1, g_2$  are modelled as RO then PSS is existentially unforgeable against adaptive chosen msg attacks, assuming the RSA function is one-way (i.e., hard to invert on random inputs).

ElGamal digital signatures

Note: The paradigm  $\text{Enc}(\text{dec}(m)) = m$  doesn't work for ElGamal

(since ElGamal is randomized)

New Scheme: PP: - prime  $p$

- generator  $g$  of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$

KeyGen:  $x \leftarrow \{0, 1, \dots, p-2\}$

SK =  $x$

$$y = g^x \pmod{p}$$

PK =  $y$

Sign( $pp, \overset{x}{SK}, m$ ):

• Compute  $h(m)$  assume range of  $h$  is  $\mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$

• Choose  $k \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}^*$

• Compute  $r = g^k \pmod{p}$

• Compute  $a = \frac{h(m) - rx}{k} \pmod{p-1}$

$$\sigma(m) = (r, a)$$

Verify( $pp, PK, m, (r, a)$ ):  
 $(p, g)$       $y$

• Check that  $0 < r < p$

• Check that  $y^r \cdot r^a = g^{h(m)} \pmod{p}$

correctness:

$$g^{x \cdot r} \cdot g^{k \cdot \left(\frac{h(m) - rx}{k}\right)}$$

Security: With  $h = \text{identity}$ , it is not secure  
(it is existentially forgeable).

PS: Let  $r = g^e \cdot y \pmod{p}$  for  $e \in \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$

$$a = -r$$

Then  $(r, a)$  is a valid El-Gamal sig  
of  $m = e \cdot a \pmod{p-1}$

Check:  $y^r \cdot r^a \stackrel{?}{=} g^m$

"  $y^r \cdot (g^e \cdot y)^{-r} = g^{ea}$

What about security in ROM?

Not known how to reduce to DL problem.

Pointcheval-Stern 96: Modified version of El-Gamal:

$$\text{sign}(m): k \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$$

$$r = g^k \pmod{p}$$

$$a = \frac{h(m \| r) - rx}{k} \pmod{p-1}$$

$$\sigma = (r, a)$$

Verify: Check  $cr < p$  &  $y^r \cdot r^a = g^{h(m)kr}$

Thm. Modified El-Gamal is existentially unforgeable against adaptive chosen msg attacks, in ROM, assuming DLP is hard (on avg).

## Digital Signature Standard (DSS-NIST 91)

### Public Params:

$q$  prime  $|q| = 160$  bits

$p = n \cdot q + 1$   $|p| = 1024$  bits

$g_0$  - generates  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$

$g = g_0^n$  generates subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  of order  $q$ .

### Key Gen:

• Choose  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_q$

SK =  $x$   $|x| = 160$  bits

•  $y = g^x \pmod{p}$

PK =  $y$   $|y| = 1024$  bits

### Sign (m):

$k \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  (i.e.  $1 \leq k < q$ )

$r = g^k \pmod{p} \pmod{q}$

$|r| = 160$  bits

$a = \frac{h(m) + rx}{k} \pmod{q}$

$|a| = 160$  bits.

redo if  $r=0$  or  $a=0$ .

$\sigma(m) = (r, a)$ .

Verify :

- Check  $0 < r, a < g$
- Check  $y^{r/a} \cdot g^{h(m)/a} \pmod{p} \pmod{g} = r$

correctness :

$$y^{r/a} \cdot g^{h(m)/a}$$

$$= g^{\frac{2r+h(m)}{a}} = g^k = r \pmod{p} \pmod{g}$$

Security :

As before, insecure w.  $h = \text{identity}$ .

Provably secure if  $h(m)$  is replaced w.  $h(m||r)$   
(as with modified El-Gamal).