

# Pseudorandom Function

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Pseudorandom Function = Pseudorandom Generator = One-way function

Def. PRF.

A collection of functions  $F = \{F_k : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^m\}_{k \in K_n}$

is a PRF family if:

1.  $\exists$  efficient algorithm  $k \leftarrow K_n$

2.  $\exists$  poly. time  $\text{Eval}(k, x) \rightarrow F_k(x)$ .

$\forall$  ppt Adv.  $\exists$  negl.  $\epsilon$ . s.t.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\left| \Pr[k \leftarrow K_n, \text{Adv}^{\text{PRF}}(1^n) = 1] - \Pr[\text{Adv}^{\text{TRC}}(1^n) = 1] \right| < \epsilon(n)$$

Difference from PRG:

- PRG does not choose a key, but PRF get a  $k \in K_n$
- PRG assumes given its description (the key)  $G_k(x)$  but  $x$  is secret and random; while PRF keeps key random & secret but  $x$  can be chosen by Adversaries.

We can design a PRG that is not a PRF

$$G_k(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x=0 \\ G_k(x) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(still indistinguishable since  $\Pr[x=0]$  is negl. but the adversary of PRF can query 0 and reach prob. difference of  $\frac{1}{2}$ )

Example

$$F: \{k = a \cdot b \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p, F_k(x) = ax + b \pmod{p}\}$$

Adv: query  $x_1=1, x_2=2, x_3=3 \Rightarrow$  if  $f(x_2) - f(x_1) \equiv f(x_3) - f(x_2) \pmod{p}$ .  
Guess: 0 (not Truly Random)

Hence, F is not a PRF.

PRG  $\Rightarrow$  PRF

Goldreich, Goldwasser, Micali 84).

$$G: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{2n} \text{ PRG.}$$

GGM

$$\begin{matrix} G_0, G_1 \\ \hline G \end{matrix}$$

$$G(s) = G_0(s) \parallel G_1(s)$$

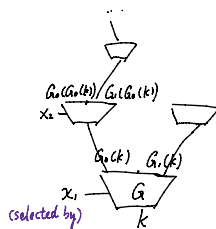
key  $K_n = \{0,1\}^n, k \leftarrow K_n, \text{Domain } D = \{0,1\}^t, R = \{0,1\}^n$

$$\text{Let } F_k(x) = G_{x_t}(\dots G_{x_2}(G_{x_1}(k)) \dots)$$

$$x = x_1 x_2 \dots x_t$$

use input bits to determine right/left.

Binary Tree



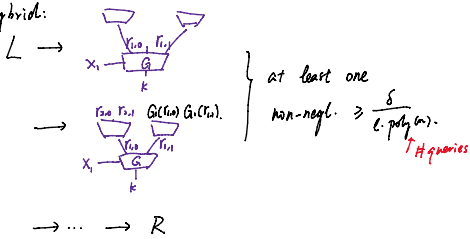
"exponentially stretch PRG"

$$F_k(x) = G_{x_t \dots x_1 \text{ bit}}(x)$$

Proof: Hybrid Argument.

Assume Adv. queries  $x^{(1)} \rightarrow F_k(x^{(1)})$  "L"  
 $x^{(2)} \rightarrow F_k(x^{(2)})$  "R"  
 $\dots$   $x^{(n)} \rightarrow F_k(x^{(n)})$  (Goal)  $X^{(1)} \rightarrow r^{(1)}$   
 $\approx_c \dots$

Hybrid:



PRF  $\rightarrow$  PRG (easier)

$$F = \{F_k: D \rightarrow \{0,1\}^l\}_{k \in K_n}$$

$$G(k) = F_k(w) \parallel \dots \parallel F_k(|D|-1)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Construct  $G: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{Dl}$

Recall Diffie-Hellman Problem.

$$g \in \mathbb{Z}_p, \text{ DH: } g, g^a, g^b \rightarrow g^{ab}$$

Decisional Diffie Hellman (DDH):

public parameters:  $G, |G|, g$ .

$$\{g^a, g^b, g^{ab}\} \approx_c \{g^a, g^b, g^c\}, \quad a, b, c \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$$

Remark: Solve Computational DH  $\rightarrow$  Decisional DH.

Construct PRG from DDH:

$$G: \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow G \times G$$

$$Gg^a \xrightarrow{\text{key}} \frac{g^b \cdot g^{ab} = (g^a)^b}{G}$$

$$\frac{g^a, g^b, g^{ab}}{k \quad G_k(b)} \approx_c \frac{g^a, g^b, g^c}{\frac{g}{G} \quad \frac{g}{G}}$$

Construct PRF from DDH

$$K_n = \left\{ \begin{matrix} 2l \text{ elems from } \mathbb{Z}_p \\ a_{1,0} \dots a_{l,0} \\ \dots \\ a_{1,1} \dots a_{l,1} \end{matrix} \right\}$$

$$F_k(x) = g^{a_{1,x_1} \cdot a_{2,x_2} \cdot \dots \cdot a_{l,x_l}}$$

$$x_i \in \{0,1\} \dots \{0,1\}$$

(Naor-Reingold '97)