



# Topics in Cryptography

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## Homomorphic Enc. (2)

# Last Time

Computation

- Homomorphic Enc : ~~encryption~~ over (publically encrypted) data
- Some basic applications
- Why called Homomorphic (term coming from group theory)
- A construction based on code obfuscation + any public-key encryption
- (Basic deterministic) RSA encryption is already (weakly) homomorphic

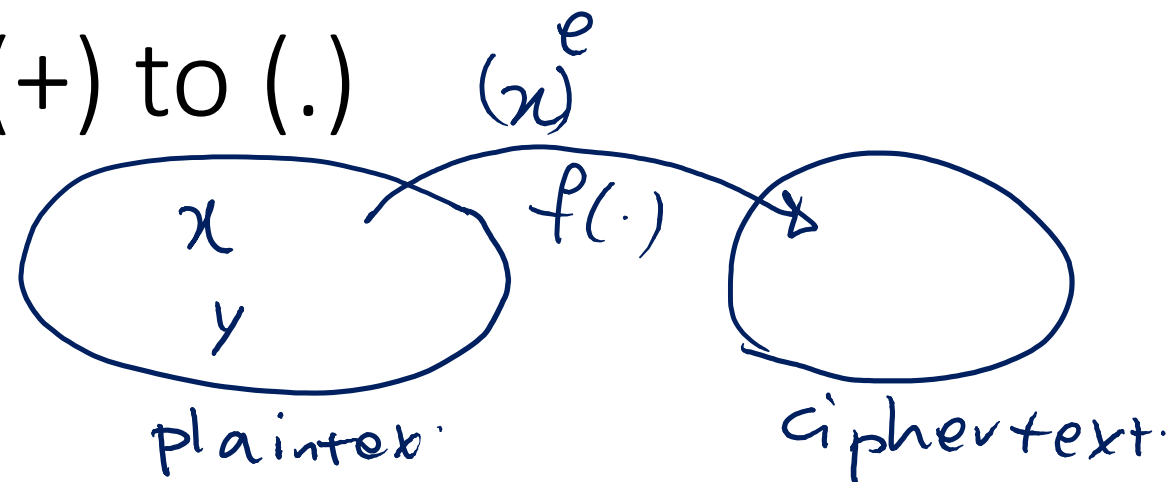
# Today

- Another (weakly) homomorphic encryption:
- It is based on “hardness” of “discrete logarithm”
- It is also a secure encryption (without homomorphism)

# Exponentiation:

## Homomorphism from (+) to (.)

How RSA is homomorphic:



$$f(x \cdot y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$$

also multiplication.

homomorphic eval.

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how about

$$f(x) = g^x$$

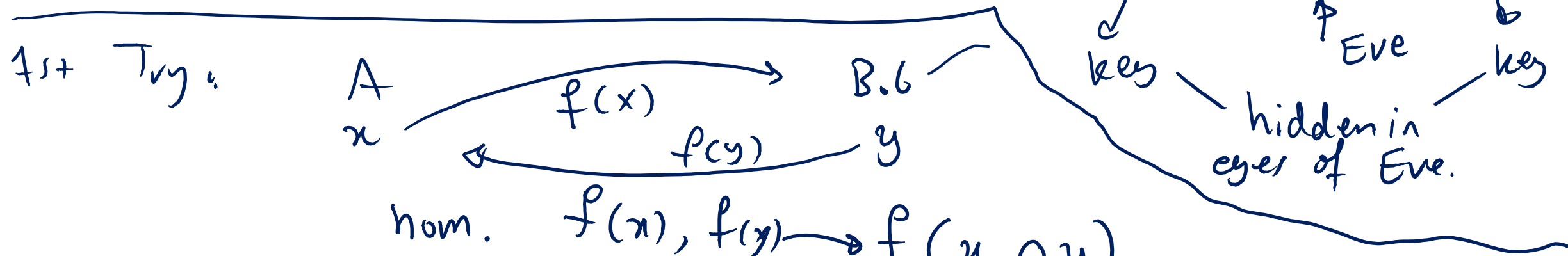
$$f(x+y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$$

$g^{x+y} \quad g^x \cdot g^y$

{ get enc. from it?  
Hom. enc from it?

# Diffie and Hellman's Breakthrough

First "secure" Key Agreement protocol:



2nd Try: Given  $(x, f(y))$  efficiently  $f(x \cdot y)$  given  $x, g^y$

$f(x) := g^x$

$f(x \cdot y) \rightarrow g^{x \cdot y} := (g^y)^x$

$Z_p^*$ : The group to implement DH:

Set:  $\{1, 2, \dots, p-1\} = X$   $x \odot y = (x \cdot y) \bmod p$

$\star \forall x. \exists y. x \cdot y = 1$

proof: Lemma:  $\forall a, b \exists \alpha, \beta$

$\alpha \cdot a + \beta \cdot b = \gcd(a, b)$   
use Euclid's  
Algs.

$\forall x, p \exists x', p'$  such th.

$x \cdot x' + p \cdot p' = 1 \rightarrow x x' = 1$   
 $\uparrow$   
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 $(\bmod p)$

$\Rightarrow (X, \odot)$  form  $Z_p^*$

# Security of DH :

the hardness assumption behind DH

ideal: prove if any ADV breaks DH  $\implies$  we can solve discrete log. in  $\text{poly}(n)$  time

real: ADV gets to see:  $(g^x, g^y)$   
wants to know  $g^{x \cdot y}$

these two rand. var. indistinguishable

$(g^x, g^y, g^{x \cdot y})$   
 $(g^x, g^x, \cancel{g^2})$

if  $g$  is a "generator" for  $G$   
 $\rightarrow$  DDH assump. no poly-time ADV can diff. between above two.

# ElGamal: Public-Key Encryption from DDH

Alice  $\xrightarrow{\text{public key:}}$  Bob  
 $(G, g, \underbrace{g^x}_{=h})$

to encrypt  $m$ :  
 1st Tm.  $(g^m)$

2nd Tm:  $\begin{pmatrix} g^y \\ x \cdot y \\ g \cdot m \end{pmatrix}$

$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x \cdot y \\ g \cdot m \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{private key'}}$

Alice can send  
 $g^{x \cdot m}$  securely...

Dec.  $\left( \underbrace{g^y}_h, \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x \cdot y \\ g \cdot m \end{pmatrix}}_{h' \cdot m} \right)$

$h' \cdot (h')^x = g^{x \cdot y}$

compute  $(g^{x \cdot y})^{-1} \rightarrow \text{mult. l.} \rightarrow m$



ElGamal is (weakly) Homomorphic

Public key:  $(G, g, g^x) \leftarrow \text{fixed}$

$\text{Enc}(m) : (g^r, (g^{r \cdot x}) \cdot m)$

$(\text{Enc}(m_1), \text{Enc}(m_2)) \xrightarrow[\text{?}]{\text{Eval.}} \text{Enc}(m_1 \times m_2)$

Given,

$(g^{r_1}, g^{r_1 \cdot x} \cdot m_1)$   
 $(g^{r_2}, g^{r_2 \cdot x} \cdot m_2)$

$(g^{r_2 \cdot x} \cdot g^{r_1 \cdot x} \cdot m_1 \cdot m_2)$

$\xrightarrow{g^{(r_1 + r_2) \cdot x} = g^{r_1 \cdot x} \times g^{r_2 \cdot x}}$

$(g^{r_1 \cdot x}, g^{r_1 \cdot x} \cdot m_1)$   
 $(g^{r_2 \cdot x}, g^{r_2 \cdot x} \cdot m_2)$

# Next Time:

- Gentry and friends' ideas to get fully homomorphic enc.

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