

# Security Reductions of Cryptographic Hash Functions

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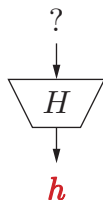
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# Cryptographic Hash Function

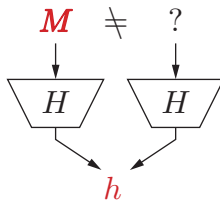
$$H : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$$

Properties

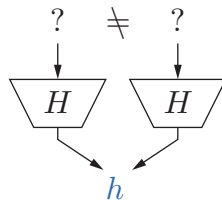
Preimage Resistance



Second PR



Collision Resistance



	PR	2ndPR	CR
Complexity	$O(2^n)$	$O(2^n)$	$O(2^{n/2})$

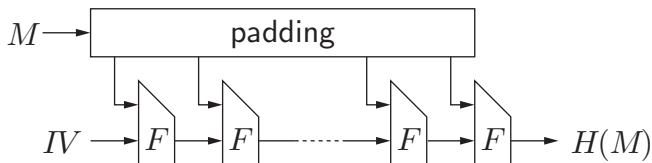
# Iterated Hash Function (Merkle-Damgård)

- Compression function

$$F : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^b \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$$

- Initial value  $IV \in \{0, 1\}^n$

Input  $M \in \{0, 1\}^*$



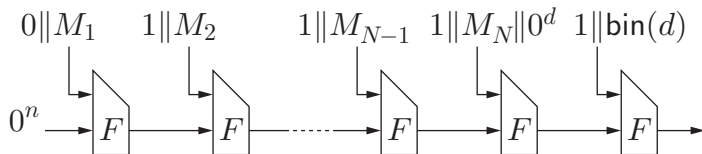
# CR Preservation

$F : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^b \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$  Compression function

$F$  is collision-resistant (CR)  $\Rightarrow H$  is CR

[Damgård 89]

① If  $b \geq 2$



② If  $b = 1$ , then prefix-free encoding is done for inputs.

# Compression Function Construction

## Customized (1990–)

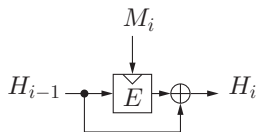
- MD $x$  family  
MD4, MD5; RIPEMD-160; SHA-1, SHA-224/256/384/512
- Whirlpool
- SHA-3 candidates

## Using a block cipher

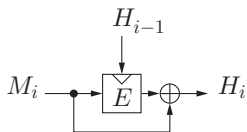
- Single block length (SBL): output-length = block-length
- Double block length (DBL): output-length =  $2 \times$  block-length

SHA-1/2    DM mode using a dedicated block cipher SHACAL-1/2

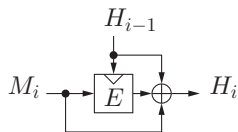
Whirlpool    MP mode using a dedicated block cipher W



Davies-Meyer



Matyas-Meyer-Oseas

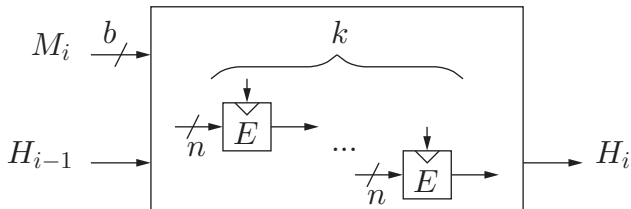


Miyaguchi-Preneel

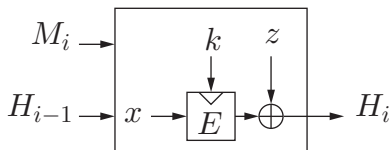
- Hash function using block cipher
  - Single/Double-block-length constructions
- Multi-property preservation
- Security properties of hash-function family
- Cryptographic scheme using CR

A measure of efficiency of a hash function using a block cipher  $E$

$$\text{rate} = \frac{b}{n \times k}$$



Model for SBL construction



$$E : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$x, k, z \in \{H_{i-1}, M_i, H_{i-1} \oplus M_i, const\}$$

- rate = 1
- $4^3 = 64$  modes



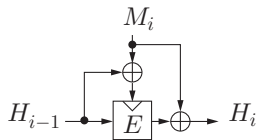
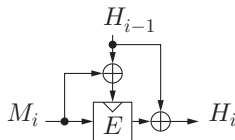
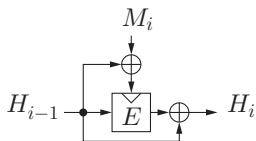
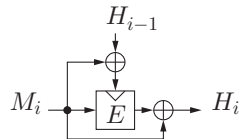
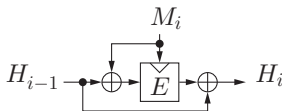
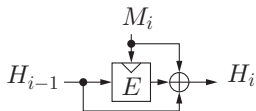
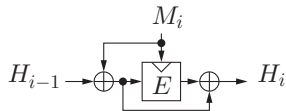
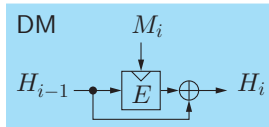
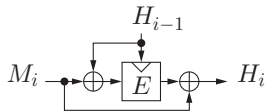
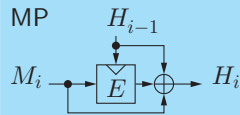
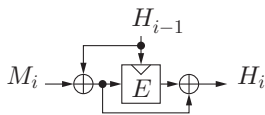
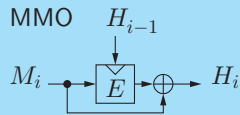
[Preneel, Govaerts and Vandewalle 93]

- Security analysis against several generic attacks
- 12 modes are collision-resistant (CR).

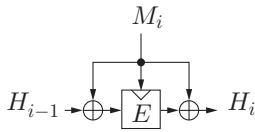
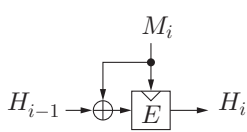
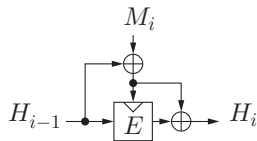
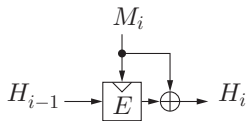
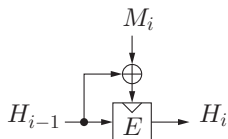
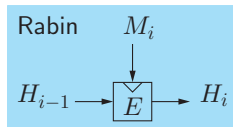
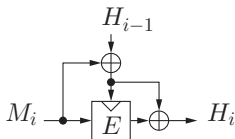
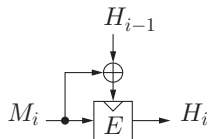
[Black, Rogaway and Shrimpton 02]

- Provable security analysis in the ideal cipher model
- The same 12 modes are CR.
- Other 8 modes are CR with Merkle-Damgård domain extension.

# 12 PGV Modes



# 8 PGV Modes



# Ideal Cipher Model

Let  $E$  be an  $(n, \kappa)$  block cipher:

$$E : \{0, 1\}^\kappa \times \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n.$$

For each key  $k$ ,  $E(k, \cdot)$  is an **invertible random permutation**.

$E$  is evaluated by two kinds of **oracle queries**:

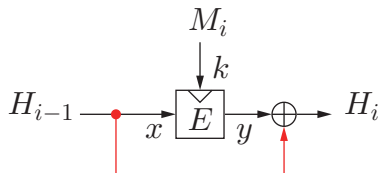
oracle	query	answer
$E$	(key, plaintext)	ciphertext
$E^{-1}$	(key, ciphertext)	plaintext

Provable security in the ideal cipher model

covers cryptanalysis not using internal structure of  $E$

# Idea of the Proof

The DM mode is CR in the ideal cipher model [Merkle 89]



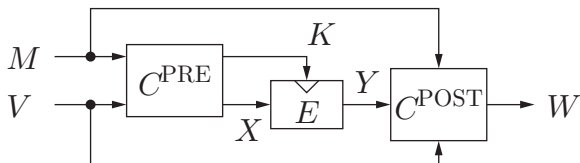
To compute  $H_i = x \oplus y$ , we ask

- $(k, x)$  to  $E$ , and obtain random  $y$ , or
- $(k, y)$  to  $E^{-1}$ , and obtain random  $x$

In both cases,  $H_i$  is random.

Any collision attack is at most as effective as the birthday attack.

$$E : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$$



$$C^{\text{AUX}}(K, X, Y) = C^{\text{POST}}(C^{\text{-PRE}}(K, X), Y)$$

The compression function is CR and PR if

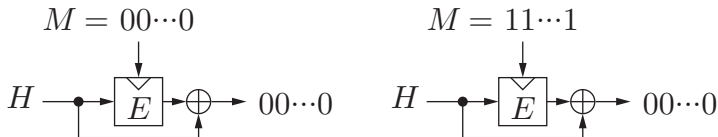
- $C^{\text{PRE}}$  is bijective.
- For all  $M, V$ ,  $C^{\text{POST}}(M, V, \cdot) : Y \mapsto W$  is bijective.
- For all  $K, Y$ ,  $C^{\text{AUX}}(K, \cdot, Y) : X \mapsto W$  is bijective.

## Why Discuss CR in the Ideal Cipher Model?

An **almost** ideal cipher may not produce a CR compression function.

$$E_k(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } k = 00 \cdots 0 \text{ or } 11 \cdots 1 \\ R_k(x) & \text{otherwise } (R_k \text{ is a random permutation}) \end{cases}$$

There is a trivial collision of DM compression function using  $E$ :



Similar examples can be constructed for 12 CR modes in PGV model.

[Simon 98]

A CR HF cannot be constructed with a black-box OW permutation.

## DBL Hash Function: Motivation

Any SBL hash function using AES is **not secure**.

- Output length is 128 bit.
- Complexity of birthday attack  $\approx 2^{64}$ .

Goal: DBL hash function using a block cipher with block-size  $n$

- Complexity of collision attack  $\approx 2^n$

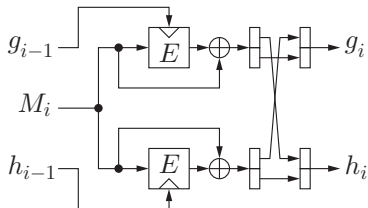


# DBL Compression Functions: MDC-2 & MDC-4

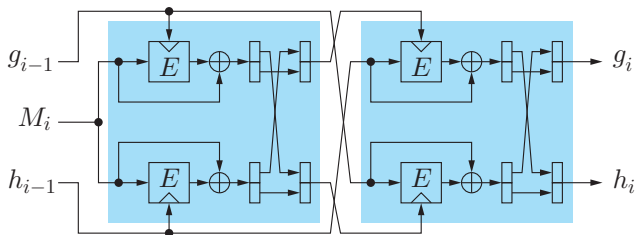
[Brachtel, Coppersmith, et.al. 88]

Using an  $(n, n)$  block cipher

MDC-2  
rate = 1/2

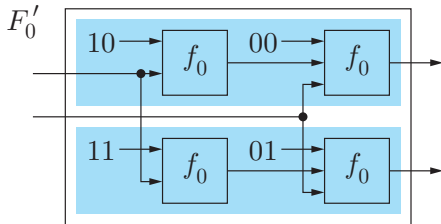
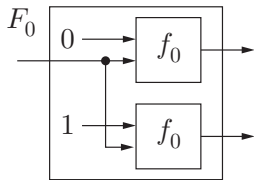
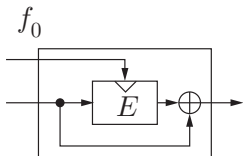


MDC-4  
rate = 1/4



# DBL Compression Functions: Merkle 89

Using DES or an  $(n, n)$  block cipher



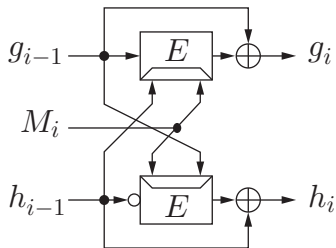
Constants are fed into the key of  $E$ .

rate  $< 0.276$

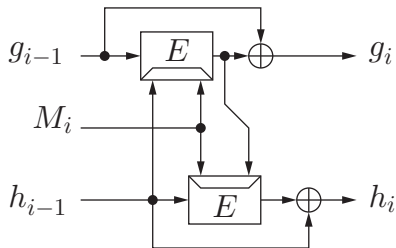
# DBL Compression Functions: Abreast-/Tandem-DM

[Lai, Massey 92]

Using an  $(n, 2n)$  block cipher ( $n$ -bit plaintext,  $2n$ -bit key)

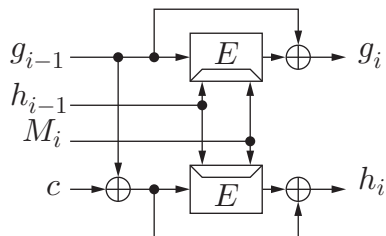


abreast Davies-Meyer  
rate =  $1/2$



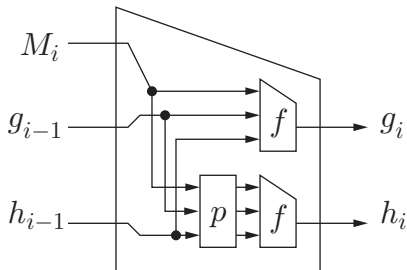
tandem Davies-Meyer  
 $1/2$

# DBL Compression Functions: Hirose 06



- $c$  is a non-zero constant
- $\text{rate} = \begin{cases} 1/2 & \text{with 256-bit key} \\ 1/4 & \text{with 192-bit key} \end{cases}$
- **only one key scheduling**

Note) Based on [Nandi 05].  $p$  is involution ( $p = p^{-1}$ )



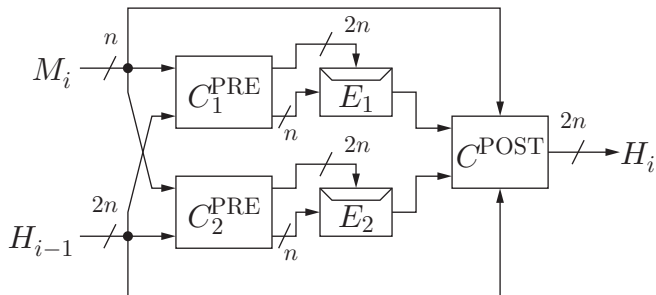
# Security (Number of Oracle Queries)

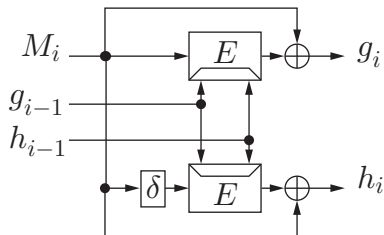
Output length:  $2n$

Attack	MDC-2	ab-DM	ta-DM	Hir
Collision	$\Omega(2^{0.6n})^{(1)}$	$\Theta(2^n)^{(2)}$	$\Omega(2^n/n)^{(3)}$	$\Theta(2^n)^{(4)}$
Preimage	$O(2^n)^{(5)}$	$\Theta(2^{2n})^{(6)}$	$\Theta(2^{2n})^{(6,7)}$	$\Theta(2^{2n})^{(6)}$

- ① [Steinberger 06]
- ② [Fleischmann, Gorski, Lucks 09], [Lee, Kwon 09]
- ③ [Lee, Stam, Steinberger 10]
- ④ [Hirose 06]
- ⑤ Requires  $O(2^n)$  memory [Knudsen, Mendel, Rechberger, Thomsen 09]
- ⑥ [Lee, Stam, Steinberger 11]
- ⑦  $O(2^n)$  if digest =  $0^{2n}$ .

# Özen-Stam Model (2010)



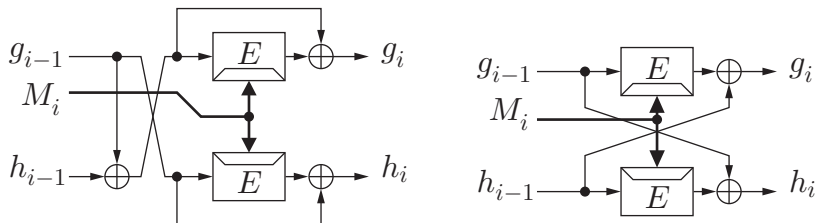


$r$	$00    r'$	$01    r'$	$10    r'$	$11    r'$
$\delta(r)$	$01    r'$	$10    r'$	$11    r'$	$00    r'$

$$\delta(r) = \delta((a)_2 || r') = (a + 1 \bmod 4)_2 || r'$$

# Constructions As Efficient As MDC-2

[Satoh, Haga, Kurosawa 99], [Hattori, Hirose, Yoshida 03]



- rate =  $\frac{\kappa}{2n}$  with an  $(n, \kappa)$  block cipher
- As secure as MDC-2?



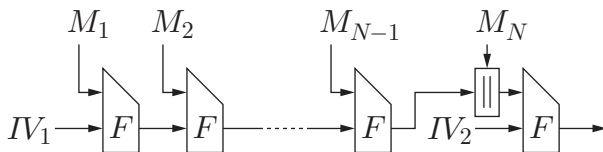
# Multi-Property Preservation

Introduced by [Bellare, Ristenpart 06]

Security reduction to compression function

Security properties: CR, PRO (IRO), PRF

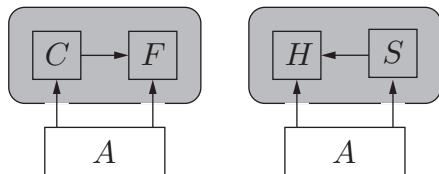
EMD (Enveloped Merkle-Damgård)



For PRF,  $IV_1$  and  $IV_2$  are replaced by independent secret keys.

# Indifferentiability from RO (IRO)

[Maurer, Renner, Holenstein 04], [Coron, Dodis, Malinaud, Puniya 05]



- $H$  is VIL RO
- $F$  is FIL ideal primitive
  - Ideal block cipher
  - Random oracle

- $C$  is hash function construction using  $F$
- Simulator  $S$  tries to mimic  $F$  with access to oracle  $H$

## Definition

$C^F$  is **indiff. from VIL RO (IRO)** if no efficient adver  $A$  can tell apart

$$(C^F, F) \quad \text{and} \quad (H, S^H)$$

# Multi-Property Preservation

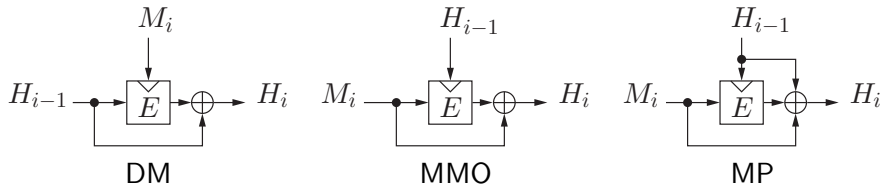
For block-cipher-based construction

## Security reduction to underlying block cipher

E.g.) DM, MMO, and MP are not IRO in the ideal cipher model.

E.g.) DM is not good for PRF since a message block is fed to the key.

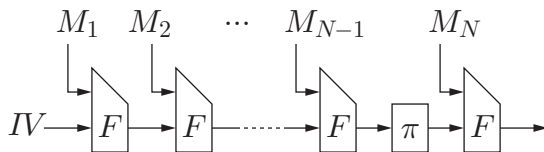
Block ciphers are not designed for such usage!



# Multi-Property Preservation

MMO seems best among PGV [Hirose, Kuwakado 08, 09]

Using MDP domain extension [Hirose, Park, Yun 07]



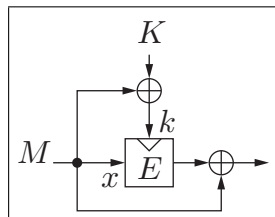
If  $F$  is MMO, then

- 1 Hash function is CR and IRO in the ideal cipher model.
- 2 KIV mode is PRF if  $E$  is PRP under related-key attacks wrt  $\pi$ .

Cf.) MMO is adopted by Skein (a SHA-3 finalist).

# Multi-Property Preservation

An interesting example:



is one of the 12 secure PGV modes.

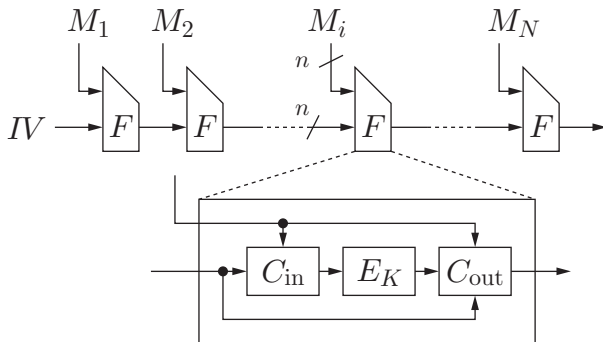
This mode is not a PRF if  $E$  satisfies

$$E_k(x) = E_{k \oplus d}(x \oplus d) \oplus d$$

for some const  $d \neq 0^n$  (DES has this property for  $d = 1^n$ ).

# Permutation-Based Schemes: Impossibility

[Black, Cochran, Shrimpton 05]

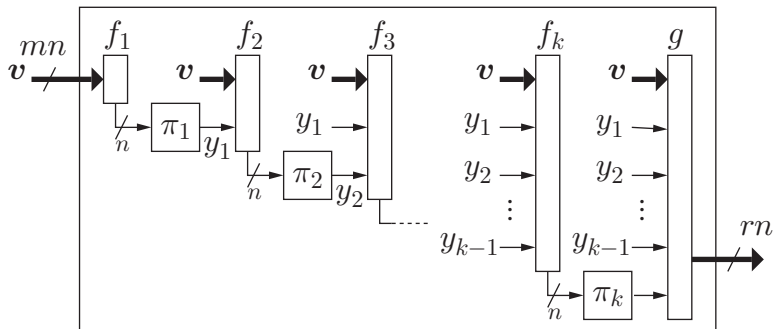


$K$  is fixed

Collision can be found with  $O(n + \log n)$  queries.

# Permutation-Based Schemes: Security/Efficiency Tradeoff

[Rogaway, Steinberger 08]



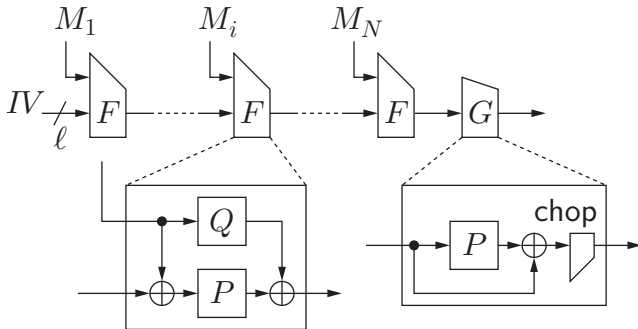
Collision can be found with  $2^{(1-(m-r/2)/k)n}$  queries in the ideal permutation model.

$m$	$r$	$k$	# of queries
2	1	2	$2^{n/4}$
2	1	3	$2^{n/2}$

$m$	$r$	$k$	# of queries
3	2	4	$2^{n/2}$
3	2	5	$2^{3n/5}$

# Permutation-Based Schemes: Grøstl

[Gauravaram, Knudsen, Matusiewicz, Mendel, Rechberger, Schläffer, Thomsen 09]



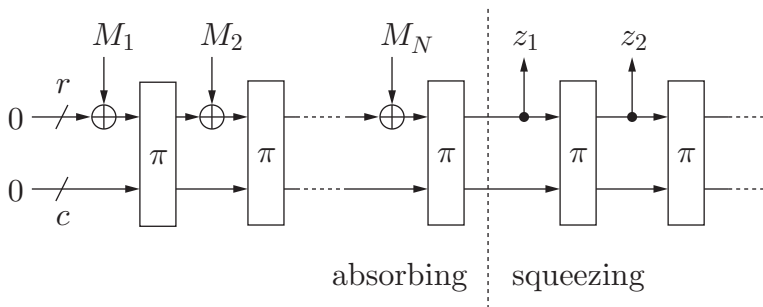
[Andreeva, Mennink, Preneel 10]  
IRO in the ideal permutation model

$$\text{Number of queries} = \Theta(2^{\ell/2})$$



# Permutation-Based Schemes: Sponge

[Bertoni, Daemen, Peeters, van Assche 07]



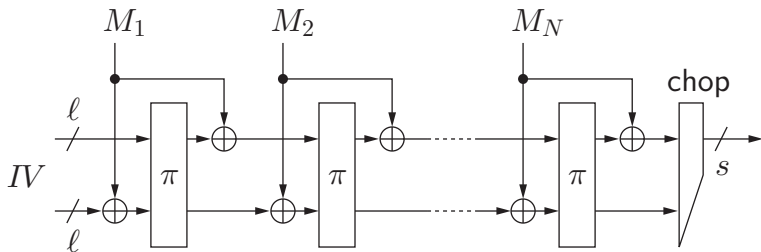
[Bertoni, Daemen, Peeters, van Assche 08]

IRO in the ideal permutation model

$$\text{Number of queries} = \Theta(2^{c/2})$$

# Permutation-Based Schemes: JH

[Wu 09]



[Bhattacharyya, Mandal, Nandi 10]  
IRO in the ideal permutation model

Number of queries =  $\Omega(2^{\ell/3})$  ( $\Omega(2^{\ell/2})$  [CRYPTO 11 rump])

# Security Properties of Hash-Function Family

[Rogaway, Shrimpton 04]

Hash-function Family  $H : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$

Property	Key	Challenge
Pre	random	random
ePre	random	fixed
aPre	fixed	random
Sec	random	random
eSec	random	fixed
aSec	fixed	random
Coll	random	—

“a” means always.

“e” means everywhere.

## Second Preimage Resistance

$$\text{Adv}_H^{\text{Sec}}(A) = \Pr \left[ \begin{array}{l} K \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}; M \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^m \\ M' \xleftarrow{\$} A(K, M) \end{array} : M \neq M' \wedge H_K(M) = H_K(M') \right]$$

$$\text{Adv}_H^{\text{eSec}}(A) = \max_{M \in \{0, 1\}^m} \left\{ \Pr \left[ \begin{array}{l} K \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K} \\ M' \xleftarrow{\$} A(K, M) \end{array} : M \neq M' \wedge H_K(M) = H_K(M') \right] \right\}$$

$$\text{Adv}_H^{\text{aSec}}(A) = \max_{K \in \mathcal{K}} \left\{ \Pr \left[ \begin{array}{l} M \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^m \\ M' \xleftarrow{\$} A(K, Y) \end{array} : M \neq M' \wedge H_K(M) = H_K(M') \right] \right\}$$

eSec is also called universal one-wayness (UOW) [Naor, Yung 89].

# Universal One-Wayness (UOW)

Another two-stage definition [Naor, Yung 89]

- 1 An adversary first selects input  $M$ .
- 2  $K$  is selected uniformly at random.

It is difficult to compute  $M'$  such that  $H_K(M) = H_K(M') \wedge M \neq M'$ .

Signature scheme using UOW hash-function family [Naor, Yung 89]

A UOW hash-function family is constructed from

- any one-way permutation [Naor, Yung 89].
- any one-way function [Rompel 90], [Katz, Koo 05].

# Domain Extension for UOW Hash-Function Family

Merkle-Damgård does not work [Bellare, Rogaway 97].

## Example

$$h : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^{m+n+c} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{n+c}$$

$$h_k(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} k \| f_k(x, y, z) & \text{if } y \neq k \\ 1^n \| 1^c & \text{if } y = k \end{cases}$$

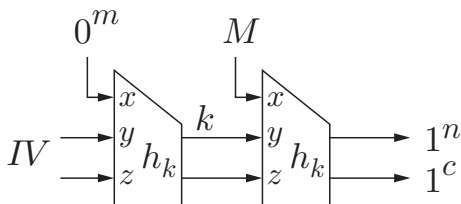
$$\text{where } f : \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}^{m+n+c} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^c.$$

$f$  is UOW  $\Rightarrow h$  is UOW

# Domain Extension for UOW Hash-Function Family

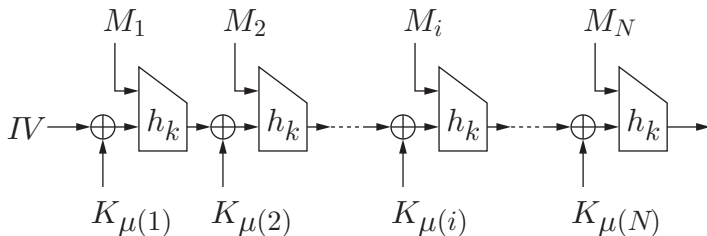
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For any  $M \in \{0, 1\}^m$



# Domain Extension for UOW Hash-Function Family

[Shoup 00]



$\mu(i) =$  largest integer  $\mu$  such that  $2^\mu | i$

$k$  and  $K_0, K_1, \dots, K_{\lfloor \log N \rfloor}$  are selected uniformly at random.

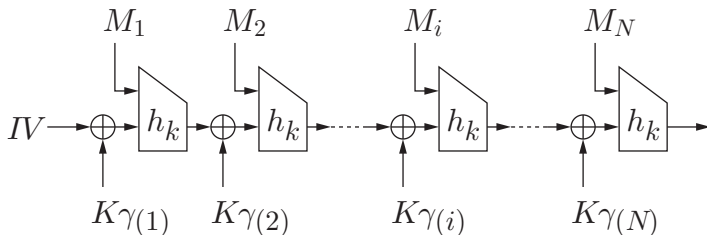
## Theorem

$h$  is UOW  $\Rightarrow$  the family above is UOW



# Domain Extension for UOW Hash-Function Family

Shoup's scheme is optimal among the following type [Mironov 01]



## Theorem

For any  $\gamma$ ,

The family above is UOW  $\Rightarrow |\gamma(\{1, 2, \dots, N\})| > \log N$

# UOW Hash-Function Family from OW Permutation

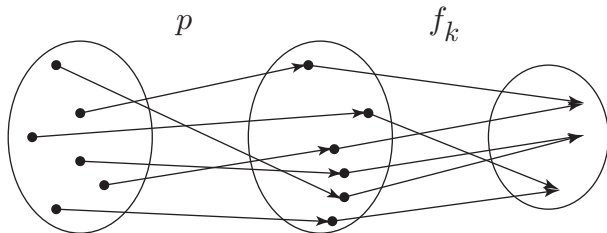
OW permutation  $p : \{0, 1\}^\ell \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^\ell$

$f : \mathcal{K} \times \{0, 1\}^\ell \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\ell-1}$

$H : \mathcal{K} \times \{0, 1\}^\ell \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\ell-1}$  such that  $H_k = f_k \circ p$

## Theorem

$f$  is a universal hash-function family  $\Rightarrow H$  is UOW



# Cascade of UOW Hash-Function Family

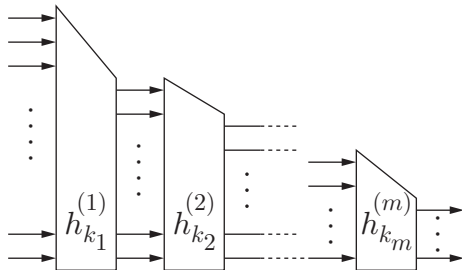
$$h^{(i)} : \mathcal{K}_i \times \{0, 1\}^{\ell_i} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\ell_{i+1}} \quad (1 \leq i \leq m)$$

$H : (\mathcal{K}_1 \times \cdots \times \mathcal{K}_m) \times \{0, 1\}^{\ell_1} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\ell_{m+1}}$  such that

$$H_{(k_1, \dots, k_m)} = h_{k_m}^{(m)} \circ h_{k_{m-1}}^{(m-1)} \circ \cdots \circ h_{k_1}^{(1)}$$

## Theorem

$h^{(1)}, \dots, h^{(m)}$  are UOW  $\Rightarrow H$  is UOW



CR hash function  $H$

S selects input  $x$  uniformly at random, and sends  $y = H(x)$  to R.

- R has no knowledge on  $x$  other than  $x \in H^{-1}(y)$  even if R is computationally unbounded.
- Computationally bounded S does not have  $x' (\neq x)$  s.t.  $y = H(x')$ .

Examples using the property above:

- Fail-stop signature [Damgård, Pedersen, Pfitzmann 93]
- Non-interactive string commitment statistically secure against computationally unbounded receiver [Halevi, Micali 96]

# Non-interactive string commitment [Halevi, Micali 96]

$H : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^\ell$  CR HF

$F = \{f \mid f : \{0, 1\}^{O(n+\ell)} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n\}$  Universal HF family

**Commit** For a committed string  $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$ ,

- 1 S selects uniformly at random  $f \in F$  and  $w \in \{0, 1\}^{O(n+\ell)}$  satisfying  $x = f(w)$ .
- 2 computes  $y = H(w)$ .
- 3 sends  $f, y$  to R.

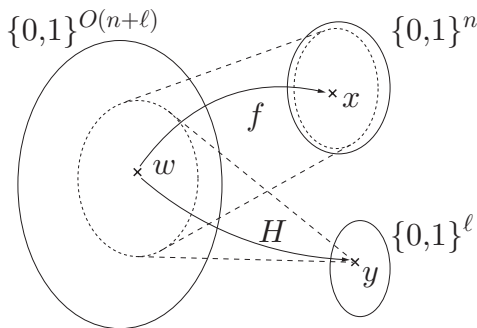
**Open** S sends  $w$  to R.

# Non-interactive string commitment [Halevi, Micali 96]

Committed string  $x$

Commit  $f$  and  $y$

Open  $w$



Statistically secure against computationally unbounded R

# Conclusion

- Hash function using block cipher  
Single/Double-block-length constructions
- Multi-property preservation
- Security properties of hash-function family
- Cryptographic scheme using CR