CSE 539 Applied Cryptography Fall 2024

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Recap: What is Cryptography?

- Cryptography is more than just hiding information (i.e., encryption)
- Cryptography is math
- Crypto definition
 - Idea: compare 2 probability distributions



One-time Pad:

- $Enc(k,m) = k \oplus m$
- $Dec(k,c) = k \oplus c$
- Dec(k, Enc(k, m)) = m

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- Greetings
- Syllabus
- What Cryptography is
- What "Applied" Cryptography is
 - Why cryptography is good for the world?

"Applied" Cryptography

- 3. Advanced/applied cryptography (10 lectures):
 - Multi-party secure computation (2)
 - Homomorphic encryption (2)
 - Zero-knowledge proof/blockchain (2)
 - Privacy-preserving machine learning (2 lectures)
 - Private database query (1 lecture)
 - Other practical problems (1 lecture)
- 4. Final project presentations (8 lectures)
- Secure Password Checkup
- Privacy Preserving Machine Learning



Password Checkup, a Chrome extension that helps users detect if a username and

password they enter on a website has been compromised.





Password Checkup extension

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Google Password Checkup



Password Checkup, a Chrome extension that helps users detect if a username and password they enter on a website has been compromised. It relies on a cryptographic protocol known as private set intersection (PSI) to match your login's credentials against an encrypted database of over 4 billion credentials Google knows to be unsafe. At the same time, it ensures that no one – including Google – ever learns your actual credentials.

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• Privacy Preserving Machine Learning

What is Machine Learning (ML)?

 "Machine learning (ML) is the study of computer algorithms that improve automatically through experience. It is seen as a subset of artificial intelligence. Machine learning algorithms build a model based on sample data, known as "training data", in order to make predictions or decisions without being explicitly programmed to do so." (source:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Machine_learning)





Why need Secure Computation for ML?

- ML is data hungry
- Data comes from different sources
- E.g. Fraud Detection
- Privacy concern







Model







What if the server is malicious?

Privacy Preserving ML Model



- Enc(k,m) = c
- Dec(k,c) = m
- f(Enc(k,m)) = Enc(k,f(m))



Privacy Preserving ML Model



Expensive solution because of 1) training on encrypted data 2) requiring different keys

Privacy Preserving ML Model

