Cryptology: Problem Sheet 2

Topic: PRG, PRF, PRP, IND-CPA Security

- 1. Let F be a secure PRF defined over $(\{0,1\}^n, \{0,1\}^n, \{0,1\}^n)$.
 - (a) Prove that $G_k(x) := F_k(x) \oplus x$ is a secure PRF.
 - (b) Prove that $G_{(k,k')}(x) := F_k(x) \oplus F_{k'}(x)$ is a secure PRF.
 - (c) Show that $G_k(x) := F_k(x) ||F_k(F_k(x))|$ is insecure.
- 2. Prove that if F is a pseudorandom function defined over $(\{0,1\}^n, \{0,1\}^n, \{0,1\}^n)$, then

$$G(s) := F_s(1) ||F_s(2)|| \cdots ||F_s(\ell)||$$

is a pseudorandom generator with expansion factor $n\ell$.

- 3. Let G be a pseudorandom generator with expansion factor $\ell(n) > 2n$. In each of the following cases, say whether G' is a pseudorandom generator. If yes, give a proof; if not, show a counterexample.
 - (a) Define $G'(s) = G(s_1 \cdots s_{n/2})$, where $s = s_1 \cdots s_n$.
 - (b) Define $G'(s) = G(0^{|s|} ||s|)$.
 - (c) Define G'(s) = G(s) || G(s+1).
- 4. Let F be a pseudorandom function from n-bits to n-bits and G be a pseudorandom generator with expansion factor n+1. For each of the following encryption schemes, state whether the scheme (i) has indistinguishable encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper and whether (ii) it is IND-CPA secure.
 - (a) $Enc_k(m) := \langle r, G(r) \oplus m \rangle$, where $m \in \{0,1\}^{n+1}$, $r \leftarrow_{\$} \{0,1\}^n$.
 - (b) $Enc_k(m) := m \oplus F_k(0^n)$.
 - (c) $Enc_k(m) := \langle r, m_1 \oplus F_k(r), m_2 \oplus F_k(r+1) \rangle$, where $r \leftarrow_{\$} \{0,1\}^n$, where $m = m_1 ||m_2|, |m_1| = |m_2| = n$.
- 5. Let F be a pseudorandom permutation. Consider the mode of operation in which a uniform value $r \leftarrow_{\$} \{0,1\}^n$ is chosen, and the i-th ciphertext block c_i is computed as

$$c_i := F_k(r \oplus i \oplus m_i).$$

Show that this scheme does not have indistinguishable encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper.