

TR-31 and AS 2805 (Non)equivalence report^{*}

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Abstract. We examine the security of the Australian card payment system by analysing existing cryptographic protocols in this analysis. We compare current Australian cryptographic methods with their international counterparts, such as the ANSI TR-31 methods. Then, finally, we formulate a formal difference between the two schemes using security proofs.

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1 Introduction

The protection of the financial system in every country is the primary directive of payment system regulators. Vulnerable architectures in the financial system, more specifically, card payment systems might cause uncertainty in the operational effectiveness of economic activities. Historically, each country relied on a combination of international and local standards to maintain the effectiveness and security of payment systems. In recent years, card manufacturing organisations started a commercial company with the view to standardise security practices across the globe. The established commercial company, named Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI-SSC), headed by US-based card companies (Visa, MasterCard, American Express), imposes security requirements and specifications developed by their working groups. The PCI-SSC is not a standards organisation. However, they produce industry specifications adopted widely in several regions [MR08]. The industry standards by PCI-SSC provide a set of security and test requirements, and the use of a set of approved laboratories to test if participants meet the desired specifications based on their function in the payments landscape. Recently, PCI-SSC required the management of all cryptographic keys in structures called “Key Blocks”. Key blocks are defined in the ANS X9 TR-31 Technical Report (TR-31) [Ins18], which was in response to the ANSI X9 24.1 Standard [Ins17]. The goal of ANSI’s X9.24-1-2017 is to specify some minimum requirements for the management of symmetric cryptographic keys used for financial transactions; typically these requirements apply to POS and ATM transactions, in addition to banking messages. In this paper we focus on the notion of key blocks defined in the TR-31 technical report.

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2 Our Contribution

Since the development of the Australian Key Scheme series in the Australian National Standards (the AS 2805 series of standards) there remains an open problem to define security bounds and a definition of security. TR-31 has the same open question, though TR-31 resembles an authenticated encryption scheme. We evaluate the TR-31 and AS 2805 schemes and draw a formal comparison. The goal is to investigate the differences and advantages between the two systems. We analyse key generation, key derivation, and key separation, then motivate changes to the AS 2805 standards for enhancement.

3 Preliminaries

This section provides key definitions. Some aspects are standard, but others are not. We abstract the use of any specific encryption scheme and focus on general constructions. We start by reviewing the necessary tools and definitions that are required for our results. We begin by establishing the notation for block ciphers, data encryption and cipher block chaining (CBC) to secure the encryption of multiple blocks of a block cipher. We look at message authentication (MAC) to provide integrity followed by authenticated encryption to enable both data security and integrity.

3.1 Notation

We use $[n]$ to denote the set $\{1, \dots, n\}$ and \emptyset to denote the empty set. A binary string of size n is represented as $\{0, 1\}^n$ and $\{0, 1\}^*$ represents a set of all strings of finite length. For any two binary strings s_1 and s_2 , we denote the size of s_1 as $|s_1|$ and the concatenation of the string s_1 immediately followed by s_2 as $s_1||s_2$. For any non-negative integer $k \leq |s_1|$, we use $[s_1]_k$ to represent the string obtained by the truncation of s_1 to the leftmost k bits. The process of uniformly sampling a value from a finite set \mathcal{S} and assigning the result to $x \in \mathcal{S}$ is written as $x \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{S}$. We use the \oplus symbol to denote the binary addition modulo two or exclusive OR (XOR) operator and \perp indicating an error.

We model security using the code-based game-playing framework by Bellare et.al. [BR06] where the interaction between the adversary with the game is implicit. Throughout the following text, we refer to a single-use arbitrary number used in cryptographic algorithms as a *nonce*. In practice a nonce is often a random or pseudo-random number to prevent replay attacks, which introduces randomness into an algorithm.

3.2 Negligible, super-poly, and poly-bounded functions

We begin by defining the notions of *negligible*, *super-poly*, and *poly-bounded* functions. A *negligible function* f is one that not only tends to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$, but does so faster than the inverse of any reciprocal.

Definition 1. f is called *negligible* if for all $c \in \mathbb{Z} > 0$ there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ such that for all integers $n \geq n_0$, we have $|f(n)| < 1/n^c$.

$\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is negligible if and only if for all $c > 0$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)n^c = 0.$$

The definition of a *negligible function* leads to the definition of a *super-poly* function:

Definition 2. A function f is called *super-poly* if $1/f$ is negligible.

A *poly-bounded function* f is one that is bounded in absolute value by some polynomial. Formally:

Definition 3. A function f is called *poly-bounded*, if there exists $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that for all integers $n \geq 0$, we have $|f(n)| \leq n^c + d$.

Intuitively, we refer to a *negligible* value as a value so small as to be “zero for all practical purposes”, for example 2^{-100} . We also use the following terms:

- A function $f(n)$ is *polynomial time computable* if there exists a Turing machine M and a polynomial $p(n)$, such that M computes the function $f(n)$ such that M runs in time $\leq p(n)$ for all inputs of length n .
- If a function $f(n)$ is *polynomial time computable*, then $f(n)$ is *poly-bounded*.
- An *efficient adversary* is one that runs in *polynomial-time*. The Bachmann–Landau \mathcal{O} notation [Bac94] [Lan09] captures the notion of an adversary that cannot find any *polynomial-time* algorithm to determine the key from a given algorithm. Consider the task of finding the correct k -bit key among all 2^k possibilities, using brute-force. Without additional information provided by cryptanalysis, the best way is to check every key. The brute-force task takes $\mathcal{O}(2^k)$ computations which is not *polynomial-time* but exponential time. The calculation is therefore asymptotically out of reach for a *polynomial-time* adversary.
- A value N is called *super-poly* if $1/N$ is *negligible*.
- A poly-bounded value is a “reasonably” sized number. In particular, an *efficient adversary* is one whose running time is *poly-bounded*.

Random Experiments. We refer to a protocol game played by a group of interactive probabilistic algorithms as random experiments. These games are expressed as a list of actions by players, where the result of the actions is an event with a discrete probability, denoted as:

$$\Pr[\text{action}_1; \text{action}_2; \dots; \text{action}_n : \text{event}] \quad (1)$$

The outcome of the game in (1) is the probability of event after executing $\text{action}_1; \dots; \text{action}_n$ in sequential order. event is taken over a probability space, of all random variables involved in the actions.

3.3 Block Ciphers

A block cipher is a deterministic cipher $\mathcal{E} = (E, D)$ with an encrypt (E) and decrypt (D) function defined over a message space \mathcal{M} and ciphertext space \mathcal{C} . The message space $\mathcal{M} \in \mathcal{X}$ and ciphertext space $\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{X}$ are the same finite set, where $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}^n$ and $|\mathcal{X}| = 2^n$. The key space $\mathcal{K} \in \{0, 1\}^n$, and we say that \mathcal{E} is a block cipher defined over $(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{X})$. We call an element $x \in \mathcal{X}$ a data block, and refer to \mathcal{X} as the data block space of \mathcal{E} .

For every fixed key $k \in \mathcal{K}$, we can define the function $f_k := E(k, \cdot)$; that is, $f_k : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ sends $x \in \mathcal{X}$ to $E(k, x) \in \mathcal{X}$. The usual correctness requirement for any cipher implies that, for every fixed key k , the function f_k is one-to-one and, as \mathcal{X} is finite, f_k must be onto as well. Thus, f_k is a permutation on \mathcal{X} , and $D(k, \cdot)$ is the inverse permutation f_k^{-1} .

Definition 4. *A block cipher \mathcal{E} is secure if, for all efficient adversaries \mathcal{A} , \mathcal{A} has a negligible probability in determining the key. We denote this probability as $\text{Adv}[\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E}] \leq \epsilon$, where epsilon is a negligible value.*

3.4 Block cipher mode of operations

If there are multiple data blocks in the message space of a block cipher, $|\mathcal{X}| > 1$, then a method is needed to combine several blocks of encryption together.

CBC mode of operation One such method is to use a block cipher in cipher block chaining (CBC) mode. CBC mode chains ciphertext blocks together where the current block is dependent on the previous encrypted block. Let the key generation algorithm return a random key for the block cipher, and the IV be the initial a also chosen at random, $a \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{X}$. We denote the size of each block by n , and break the message $m \leftarrow [m_1, m_2, \dots, m_j, \dots, m_v]$ into blocks equal to the block size n . The result of the algorithm is the combination of each ciphertext block $c \leftarrow [c_1, c_2, \dots, c_j, \dots, c_v]$ and the initial value, abbreviated as IV we call a . If the message is not multiples of the block size, $|m| \bmod n \neq 0$, then we pad the message with the function $m \leftarrow p(m)$ such that $|m| \bmod n = 0$. We can then define $\langle c, a \rangle \leftarrow E(k, m)$, where c is computed according to the following algorithm:

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 $c \leftarrow E(k, m)$ 
  If  $(|m| \bmod n \neq 0)$  then  $m \leftarrow p(m)$ :
  Break  $m$  into  $n$ -bit blocks  $m \leftarrow [m_1, m_2, \dots, m_j, \dots, m_v]$ 
     $c_0 \leftarrow a \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{X}$ 
    for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $v$  do
       $c_j \leftarrow E(k, (c_{j-1} \oplus m_j))$ 
     $c \leftarrow c_1 || c_2 || \dots || c_j || \dots || c_v$ 
  output  $\langle c, a \rangle$ ;

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For $k \in \mathcal{K}$ and $c \in \mathcal{X}$, with $v \leftarrow |c|$, we define $m \leftarrow D(k, c)$, where m is computed according to the following algorithm:

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 $\langle D(k, c), a \rangle$ 
  If  $(|c| \bmod n \neq 0)$  then return  $\perp$ :
  Break  $c$  into  $n$ -bit blocks  $c \leftarrow [c_1, c_2, \dots, c_j, \dots, c_v]$ 
   $c_0 \leftarrow IV \leftarrow a$ 
  for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $v$  do
     $m_j \leftarrow D(k, (c_{j-1} \oplus c_j))$ 
   $m \leftarrow [m_1 || m_2 || \dots || m_j || \dots || m_v]$ 
  output  $m$ ;
    
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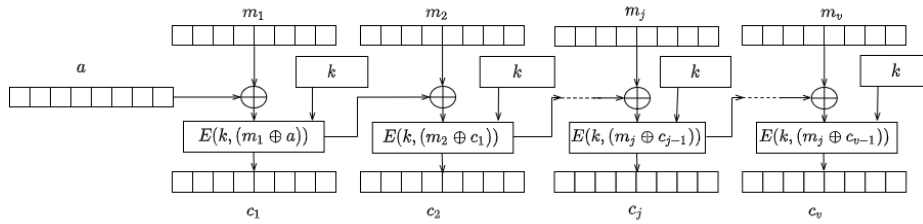


Fig. 3.1. The CBC mode of encryption

ECB mode of operation Similarly to CBC mode, we can define Electronic Code Book (ECB) mode of operation (in Figure 3.2) where each block of data is encrypted independently of the previous encrypted block, using the block cipher. After which each encrypted block is concatenated together to form the ciphertext.

For $k \in \mathcal{K}$ and $m \in \mathcal{X}$, with $v = |m|$, we define $c \leftarrow E(k, m)$, where c is computed according to the following algorithm:

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 $c \leftarrow E(k, m)$ 
  If  $(|m| \bmod n \neq 0)$  then  $m \leftarrow p(m)$ :
  Break  $m$  into  $n$ -bit blocks  $m \leftarrow [m_1, m_2, \dots, m_j, \dots, m_v]$ 
  for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $v$  do
     $c_j \leftarrow E(k, (m_j))$ 
   $c \leftarrow c_1 || c_2 || \dots || c_j || \dots || c_v$ 
  output  $c$ 
    
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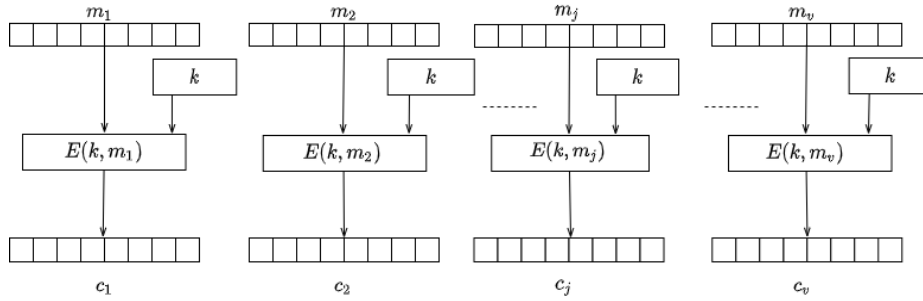


Fig. 3.2. The ECB mode of operation

CTR mode of operation Counter mode of operation uses a mechanism similar to ECB mode, but includes a counter and a nonce for each block. For $k \in \mathcal{K}$ and $m \in \mathcal{X}$, with $v = |m|$. Let ρ be a unique nonce for the duration of the algorithm, and t_j be a counter value, increasing with every encrypted block. We define $c \leftarrow E(k, m)$, where c is computed according to the following algorithm:

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 $c \leftarrow E(k, m)$ 
  If  $(|m| \bmod n \neq 0)$  then  $m \leftarrow p(m)$ :
  Break  $m$  into  $n$ -bit blocks  $m \leftarrow [m_1, m_2, \dots, m_j, \dots, m_v]$ 
  for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $v$  do
     $a_j \leftarrow E(k, \rho || t_j)$ 
     $c_j \leftarrow a_j \oplus m_j$ 
   $c \leftarrow c_1 || c_2 || \dots || c_j || \dots || c_v$ 
  output  $c$ 
  
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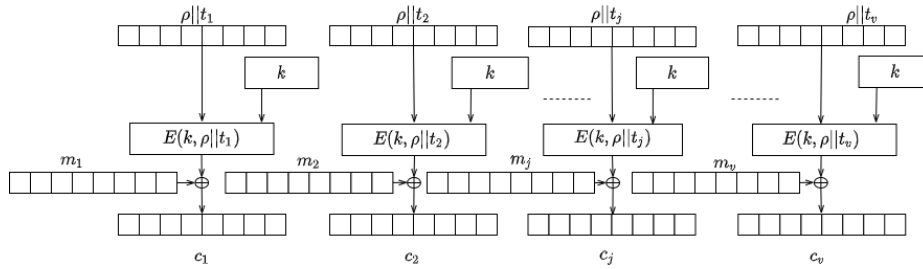


Fig. 3.3. The CTR mode of encryption

3.5 Message Authentication Code (MAC)

A message integrity system that is based on a shared secret key between the sender and receiver is called a Message Authentication Code or MAC for short.

Definition 5. A MAC system $\mathcal{I} = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{V})$ is a pair of efficient algorithms, \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{V} , where \mathcal{T} is called a signing algorithm and \mathcal{V} is called a verification algorithm. Algorithm \mathcal{T} is used to generate tags and algorithm \mathcal{V} is used to verify tags.

- \mathcal{T} is a probabilistic algorithm that is invoked as $\tau \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{T}(k, m)$, where k is a key, m is a message, and the output τ is called a tag.
- \mathcal{V} is a deterministic algorithm that is invoked as $r \leftarrow \mathcal{V}(k, m, \tau)$, where k is a key, m is a message, τ is a tag, and the output r is either “accept” or “reject”.
- We require that tags generated by \mathcal{T} are always accepted by \mathcal{V} ; that is, the MAC must satisfy a correctness property, such that for every valid key k and message pair, we have $\mathcal{V}(k, m, \mathcal{T}(k, m)) = \text{accept}$

$\mathcal{I} = (\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{V})$ is defined over $(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$. Whenever algorithm \mathcal{V} outputs “accept” for some message-tag pair (m, τ) , we say that τ is a valid tag for m under key k , or that (m, τ) is a valid pair under k . The simplest type of system is one in which the signing algorithm \mathcal{T} is deterministic, and the verification algorithm is defined as

$$\mathcal{V}(k, m, \tau) = \begin{cases} \text{accept} & \text{if } \mathcal{T}(k, m) = \tau, \\ \text{reject} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

We call such a MAC system a deterministic MAC system. Where a deterministic MAC system has unique tags: for a given key k , and a given message m , there is a unique valid tag for m under k .

3.6 CBC malleability

An encryption algorithm is malleable if it is possible to transform a ciphertext into another ciphertext which decrypts to a related plaintext. Malleability is an undesirable property of a cryptosystem, as this property allows an adversary to modify the underlying encrypted plaintext by modifying the ciphertext. The properties of malleability do not mean that an attacker has any significant advantage to recover the plaintext, even after the ciphertext transformation. The attacker may not know what the related plaintext is unless he has prior knowledge of some parts of the plaintext.

Nevertheless, malleability would have a *non-negligible* advantage in an adaptive chosen ciphertext attack model. Vaudenay presented the first public padding oracle attack in Eurocrypt 2002 [Vau02], and since then, research in the area has expanded [PY04a] [RD10a] [BFK⁺12]. The padding oracle attack assumes that an adversary can intercept messages encrypted in CBC mode, and has access to a padding oracle. The padding oracle \mathcal{O} must return some indication to the attacker if the padding on the encrypted message is valid using the following game:

- Adversary submits a CBC encrypted ciphertext C to an oracle \mathcal{O}
- The oracle decrypts the ciphertext under a fixed key K , and checks if the padding is correct.
- The oracle outputs VALID or INVALID according to the correctness of the padding.

The adversary can use the padding oracle attack to determine the message length. An attacker could then extend the attack above to recover the last message block using the commutative properties of the XOR operations. Current literature details several examples of padding attacks [BU02] [YPM05] [PY04b] [RD10b]. We capture this notion of padding attacks based on the CBC algorithm. We can see from the algorithm in Section (3.4) that the CBC decryption is the XOR of each plaintext block with the ciphertext block as:

$$m_j = D(k, c_j) \oplus c_{j-1},$$

$$c_0 = IV.$$

Therefore a single byte change in c_1 will correspond to a change in m_2 . When an adversary has two ciphertext blocks c_1 and c_2 and wants to decrypt c_2 to get m_2 , the adversary can adjust $c'_1 \leftarrow c_1$, and send $c'_1 || c_2$ and IV to the server. The server then returns showing that the padding on the last block m'_2 is either correct (equal to 0x01) or not. If the padding is correct, the adversary identifies the last byte $0x01 \leftarrow D(k, c_2) \oplus c'_1$, therefore $D(k, c_2) = c'_1 \oplus 0x01$. If the padding oracle indicates the padding is incorrect, then the adversary can replace the last byte of c'_1 with the next value. To guess every potential value for each byte, the adversary would need to make at least 256 queries to the oracle. The adversary can use the same procedure to find the second last byte of m_2 . Given TDES has a 64-bit block, an attacker would need to make $256 \cdot (64/8) = 2048$ queries to recover the final block, which is significantly less than a brute force attack.

The main reason that CBC, as detailed in figure (3.1), has this vulnerability is due to the lack of integrity on the ciphertext. Several padding methods on ISO and financial standards are shown to be vulnerable to this attack [PY04a]. The main protection mechanism in financial systems to subdue this attack is to decrypt ciphertext within a certified HSM. Stringent software tests on Payments HSMs ensure the functions do not provide an oracle that enables an attacker to execute this attack. General purpose HSMs are, however, vulnerable [PY04a].

Several cryptosystems are malleable [SMK19], most notably stream ciphers, RSA, El Gamal [TY98] [Wik02] and Pallier [DDN03]. A stream cipher produces ciphertext by combining the plaintext and a pseudorandom stream based on a secret key k with the XOR operation $E_k(m) = m \oplus S(k)$. An adversary can construct the encryption of the message m and some malicious value t as: $E_k(m \oplus t) = m \oplus t \oplus S(k)$. The RSA cryptosystem has a public key (e, n) where the encryption of the plaintext m is $E(m) = m^e \bmod n$. Given a ciphertext, c an adversary can construct a ciphertext of mt as: $E(m) = t^e \bmod n = (mt)^e \bmod n = E(mt)$. However padding mechanisms such as RSA-OAEP and PKCS1 have mechanisms which aim to prevent this attack. Unfortunately, the recent attack against PKCSv1 v1.5 [BFK⁺12] shows that RSA-OAEP might not be as

strong as was previously thought. In the Paillier, ElGamal, and RSA cryptosystems, it is also possible to combine several ciphertexts in such a way to produce a related ciphertext. In systems like Paillier, an adversary needs the public key and the encryption of two plaintexts, m_1 and m_2 to compute a valid sum of their encryptions $m_1 + m_2$. In RSA and El Gamal, in contrast, one can combine encryptions of m_1 and m_2 to produce valid encryptions of their products.

Changing or replacing any bit(s) in encrypted data is possible in various cryptosystems, not only when encrypting data in CBC mode. However, to have valid ciphertext that decrypts to a related plaintext, the adversary requires access to a padding oracle to exploit the malleability of CBC. Other cryptosystems are partly homomorphic by design. However, CBC-MAC does not have this property as the protocol only retains the tag of the last block.

Interchanging any bits of the encrypted data with bits from another part of the encrypted data would imply that the mode of operation is ECB. This structure of ECB has the advantage of supporting parallel processing. Because the encryption of each block does not depend on any other, an adversary can replace any block with a previously intercepted block without being detected. In mechanisms like CBC, each encrypted block depends on the previous block of data. New diffusion mechanisms proposed recently [EAAER09] attempt to solve this issue.

4 Formal differences between AS 2805 and TR-31

We start by our formal analysis by comparing AS 2805 and TR-31 in a series of well-known security games, establishing ciphertext and plaintext security in addition to strong integrity.

4.1 Attack analysis

To demonstrate the differences in security between AS 2805 and TR-31, we use adversarial games to demonstrate the insecurity of CBC with the use of a zero initialization vector. We then look at indistinguishable chosen-ciphertext security (IND-CCA), then extend the security games to indistinguishable chosen plaintext security (IND-CPA). We then look at the composition paradigm, where we discuss the composition of privacy and integrity. The strategy of the security games is to illustrate the differences in the security bounds between the AS2805 financial messages and TR-31 Key Blocks. We start by defining financial message operations as a pair of *efficient* algorithms $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$, with a header, additional data and a nonce that will not be encrypted such that:

- The deterministic encryption algorithm $\mathcal{E} : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{N} \times \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{P}$ takes as input a secret key $K \leftarrow \mathcal{K}$, associated data $P \leftarrow \mathcal{P}$, and a message $M \leftarrow \mathcal{M}$ to return a ciphertext $C \leftarrow \mathcal{C}$ a tag $T \leftarrow \mathcal{T}$ and the cleartext associated data $P \leftarrow \mathcal{P}$

- The deterministic decryption algorithm $\mathcal{D} : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{N} \times \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \cup \{\perp\}$ takes as input a secret key K , a nonce N , associated data P , and a ciphertext C to return either a message in \mathcal{M} or \perp indicating that the ciphertext is invalid.

The two algorithms above should have both privacy and integrity on the plaintext and ciphertext. However, the security of the construction relies on the composition of the operations. The literature [BN08] explores several compositional paradigms for authenticated encryption constructions ranging from methods that use unique nonces and initial values and methods where weak message authentication is used. We start with the use of CBC mode with a fixed IV and define two separate worlds, left and right denoted as LR . The adversary is given the result of either the left or right world. If the adversary can identify where the result comes from, the scheme is considered insecure. The adversary must have at most a 0.5 probability of guessing the world he operates in. The adversary queries the LR world in a black box manner with no visibility of the inner workings, only observing the input and output. We use the notion of an oracle, which computes and encryption and decryption operations external to the adversary. The LR is either an encryption or decryption operation with a bit b , indicating left or right. We denote the oracle as $E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))$ and an adversary \mathcal{A} accessing the oracle as $\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}$.

Our definition of security associates a symmetric encryption scheme \mathcal{S} with an adversary \mathcal{A} in a security game, capturing each of the worlds above. The adversary's advantage and its success in breaking the scheme is the difference in probabilities of the two experiments returning the bit one.

Definition 6. *Let $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ be a symmetric encryption scheme and the adversary \mathcal{A} be an algorithm that has access to an oracle.*

We consider the following two experiments in the LR world, where we regard $\text{Exp}_{\mathcal{S}}^1$ as the left world and $\text{Exp}_{\mathcal{S}}^0$ as the right world :

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 \text{Adversary: } \mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))} & \text{Adversary: } \mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))} \\
 \text{Experiment 1: } \text{Exp}_{\mathcal{S}}^1(\mathcal{A}) & \text{Experiment 2: } \text{Exp}_{\mathcal{S}}^0(\mathcal{A}) \\
 K \leftarrow \mathcal{K} & K \leftarrow \mathcal{K} \\
 d \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, 1))} & d \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, 0))} \\
 \text{return } d & \text{return } d
 \end{array}$$

We denote the advantage of \mathcal{A} in distinguishing between the two worlds as:

$$\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\mathcal{S}}^1(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = 1] - \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\mathcal{S}}^0(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = 1].$$

In the game above, before the adversary interacts with the oracle, either the left or right world is decided to respond to the oracle requests. We denote the left world as world 1 and right world as world 0. In world 0, all the requests from the

adversary are answered from world 0, similarly in world 1. The requests do not change oracles dynamically. If $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{A})$ is *negligible*, and the adversary cannot tell which world he is operating in, then the scheme is secure. If $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{A})$ is close to 1, then the adversary is doing well, and the scheme \mathcal{S} is not secure. Informally, for a symmetric scheme to be secure against a chosen-plaintext attack, the advantage of the adversary must be small regardless of what strategy the adversary tries. However, we have to be realistic, as the adversary invests more effort in his attack, this advantage may grow. We have to consider the adversary's resources and restrict the resources to a reasonable amount. With this, we consider a scheme to be secure against a chosen-plaintext attack if the adversary is *efficient* and cannot obtain a *non-negligible advantage*. We denote this game left-or-right indistinguishably under chosen-plaintext attack or IND-CPA.

4.2 Attack on AS 2805 (ECB and CBC with a fixed and counter IV)

In the ECB mode of operation, we show that an adversary has a high IND-CPA advantage, using a small number of resources. We slightly adjust our notation and allow the adversary to input the choice of which world he operates in the form of a bit b . The block size of the ECB scheme is denoted as n , where the adversary submits two messages to the oracle, each message being two blocks. One message consists of all zeros, 0^{2n} and one consists of a zero block concatenated with ones, $0^n||1^n$. The goal of \mathcal{A} is to determine the value of b .

Adversary: $\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}$
 Experiment: $\text{Exp}_{\text{ECB}}^b$
 $M_1 \leftarrow 0^{2n}; M_0 \leftarrow 0^n||1^n$
 $C[1], C[2] \leftarrow E_k(LR(M_1, M_0, b))$
 If $C[1] = C[2]$, then return 1 else return 0;

In the above $C[1]$ and $C[2]$ encryptions are the output blocks of ECB mode decided by the input bit b ; we claim that \mathcal{A} has a significant IND-CPA advantage, with only one oracle query, such that:

$$\Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{ECB}}^1(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = 1] = 1$$

and

$$\Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{ECB}}^0(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = 1] = 0.$$

In world 1, (where $b = 1$) the oracle returns $C[1], C[2] \leftarrow E_k(0^n)||E_k(0^n)$, therefore $C[1] = C[2]$ and \mathcal{A} can return 1. In world 0, (where $b = 0$), the oracle returns $C[1], C[2] \leftarrow E_k(0^n)||E_k(1^n)$. Since E_k is a permutation, $C[1] \neq C[2]$ so \mathcal{A} can confidently return 0. This means that the ECB mode of operation is insecure, even if the underlying block cipher is secure.

Similarly, CBC mode is insecure when executed with a fixed IV. Given the oracle is queried twice, and the $E_k(LR(M_1, M_0, b))$ is implemented with the encryption algorithm or a random permutation, we can devise another game:

In the first game, the oracle submits two messages $M_0 \leftarrow 0^n$ and an $IV_0 \leftarrow 0^n$.

Together with $M_1 \leftarrow 1^n$ and an $IV_1 \leftarrow 1^n$. We denote the security of this scheme in the following two games:

Adversary: $\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}$
 Game: $\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^{b_1}$
 $M_0 \leftarrow 0^n$; $IV_0 \leftarrow 0^n$
 $M_1 \leftarrow 1^n$; $IV_1 \leftarrow 1^n$
 $C[1], C[2] \leftarrow E_k(LR(M_1, M_0, b))$

We see that regardless of which bit the oracle chooses, $C[1] = C[2]$ and the adversary does not have an advantage to distinguish between the possible worlds. This property is due to the fact that CBC mode produces $M \oplus IV$ prior to encryption of the first block. This results in either $0^n \oplus 0^n = 0^n$ or $1^n \oplus 1^n = 0^n$. Given two messages $M_0 \leftarrow 0^n$ and an $IV_0 \leftarrow 0^n$ together with a message $M_2 \leftarrow 0^n$ and an $IV_0 \leftarrow 0^n$ where the message M_2 is a random distribution and $|M_2| = |M_1|$, we can devise $\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^{b_2}$ which follows $\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^{b_1}$ in the following game:

Adversary: $\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}$
 Game: $\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^{b_2}$
 $M_0 \leftarrow 0^n$; $IV_0 \leftarrow 0^n$
 $M_2 \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{S}$; $IV_0 \leftarrow 1^n$
 $C[3], C[4] \leftarrow E_k(LR(M_2, M_0, b))$
 If $C[3] = C[1]$, then return 1 else return 0;

We claim that \mathcal{A} in CBC mode with a fixed IV has a *non-negligible* IND-CPA advantage, with two oracle queries, such that:

$$\Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^{b_1}(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) + \text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^{b_2}(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))})] = 1$$

Similarly, when the IV is a counter, the adversary can distinguish between the counter values. Given two games where the IV is either 0^n or $0^{n-1}||1$ we have the following game:

Adversary: $\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}$
 Game: $\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^b$
 $M_{0,1} \leftarrow 0^n$; $M_{1,1} \leftarrow 0^n$
 $M_{0,2} \leftarrow 0^n$; $M_{1,2} \leftarrow 0^{n-1}||1$
 $IV_1, C_1 \leftarrow E_k(LR(M_{0,1}, M_{1,1}, b))$
 $IV_2, C_2 \leftarrow E_k(LR(M_{0,2}, M_{1,2}, b))$
 If $C_1 = C_2$, then return 1 else return 0;

We claim that:

$$\Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^1(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = 1] = 1,$$

and

$$\Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC}}^0(\mathcal{A}^{E_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = 1] = 0.$$

We prove this by considering world 0, where $b = 0$ meaning $IV_0 = 0$ and $IV_1 = 1$. In this case we have $C_1 = E_k(0)$ and $C_2 = E_k(1)$ such that $C_1 \neq C_2$ and the

experiment returns 0. When $b = 1$ and we are in world 1, then $IV_1 = 0$ and $IV_2 = 1$. In this case we have $C_1 = E_k(0)$ and $C_2 = E_k(0)$ and the experiment returns 1.

With the reasoning above, we can see that the AS 2805 scheme is insecure. An adversary has a significant advantage in distinguishing between ciphertexts. Next, we consider the scheme with the use of a random IV, while assuming the block cipher is a secure PRP or PRF. We call this randomised CBC mode, denoted as CBC\$. Taken from the work of [GB96]:

Theorem 1. *The security of CBC\$. Given a block cipher $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$, and a CBC\$ encryption scheme $E : \mathcal{K} \times \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$. Let \mathcal{A} be an adversary attacking the IND-CPA security of \mathcal{S} , running at most time t and using at most q queries, totalling at most σ n -bit blocks. Then there is an adversary \mathcal{B} attacking the PRF security of \mathcal{S} , such that:*

$$Adv_{CBC\$}^{ind-cpa}(\mathcal{A}) \leq Adv_{\mathcal{S}}^{prf}(\mathcal{B}) + \frac{\sigma^2}{2^{n+1}}$$

In Theorem 1, (taken from [GB96]) \mathcal{B} runs in time at most $t' = t + \mathcal{O}(q + n\sigma)$ and asks $q' = \sigma$ oracle queries. Bellare et al. [BN08] describe the proof of Theorem 1 elegantly, showing that the bounds are tight, falling off by an amount that is at most quadratic in the number of blocks σ , asked by the adversary.

In the IND-CPA paradigm, traditional block ciphers are not secure as they are deterministic and will never win the IND-CPA game. In the case of TR-31, the MAC is used as input to the block cipher which makes the scheme a probabilistic composition. We conclude that AS 2805 is not IND-CPA secure, while TR-31 is IND-CPA secure and probabilistic in nature. We leave the TR-31 IND-CPA insecurity proof as an open problem.

4.3 IND-CCA Security

If a block cipher is indistinguishable from a random distribution with an adversary having access to a decryption oracle, then the mode provides indistinguishably based on chosen ciphertext attacks. We denote this as IND-CCA. As before, we observe interactions with an adversary and an oracle. The adversary is given black box access to the encryption $c = E_k(m)$ and decryption $m = D_k(c)$ oracle, where the adversary cannot send a previous ciphertext obtained by $c = E_k(m)$ to the decryption oracle $m = D_k(c)$. The adversary computes two ciphertexts, $c_0 = E_k(m_0)$ and $c_1 = E_k(m_1)$. The oracle computes $c' = E_k(m', b)$ for $b' \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}$, which is given to the adversary. The adversary interacts with the oracles, and must output the bit b , indicating in which world he is operating. We capture this notion in the following security game:

Adversary: $\mathcal{A}^{D_k(LR(\cdot, b))}$

Game: $\text{Exp}_{\text{IND-CCA}}^b$

Adversary interacts with the oracle:

$$c_0 \leftarrow E_k(LR(m_0))$$

$$c_1 \leftarrow E_k(LR(m_1))$$

The oracle computes:

$$b' \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}$$

$$m \leftarrow D_k(LR(c_2, c_3, b))$$

Adversary interacts with the oracle:

$$m \leftarrow D_k(c')$$

for any c' except c_0 or c_1

Adversary outputs a bit b' , if $b' = b$ then the adversary wins the game.

We claim, for a randomised encryption scheme, the advantage is *negligible*:

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{IND-CCA}}^1(\mathcal{A}^{D_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = 1] - \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{IND-CCA}}^0(\mathcal{A}^{D_k(LR(\cdot, \cdot, b))}) = 1] \\ &= |\Pr[b' = b] - 1/2| = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

We note that the probability above only holds for a randomised scheme, and some modes of operations like ECB, and CBC are not IND-CCA secure. The malleability of both ECB and CBC were described in Section 3.6, and we use the following Theorem and proof for clarity:

Theorem 2. *ECB, CTR and CBC are not IND-CCA secure.*

To prove Theorem 2, we construct an adversary \mathcal{A} with two messages $m_0 \leftarrow 0^p$ and $m_1 \leftarrow 1^p$ for $p > 1$, where p is the block size of the symmetric encryption scheme. The adversary then interacts with the oracle to obtain $c_0 \leftarrow E_k(LR(m_0))$ and $c_1 \leftarrow E_k(LR(m_1))$. Let $y_1 = \lfloor c_1 \rfloor_p$ and $y_2 = \lfloor c_2 \rfloor_p$. The adversary interacts with the decryption oracle, $D_k(y_1, y_2, b)$, and obtains valid plaintext of either m_0 or m_1 . The adversary wins the game, as he can distinguish in which world he operates in, based on which plaintext is correctly received. The rule that the CCA adversary cannot submit previously generated ciphertext is not valid in this game, as the length is manipulated and we can view this as a different message. In order to construct a secure IND-CCA scheme, for a given ciphertext y and a message m , the adversary should not be able to construct a ciphertext z , for a related or truncated message. This implies that only non-malleable schemes can be secure in the IND-CCA game. AS 2805 is malleable, it is not IND-CCA secure, but the TR-31 scheme uses the output of a MAC as the IV input to the CBC encryption. The IV MAC input provides randomisation to the CBC encryption, so the addition of a MAC to the ciphertext protects the scheme against malleability.

NM-CCA Security A non-malleable chosen ciphertext adversary, denoted by NM-CCA has an advantage, as we described in Section 4.2, and given the TR-31 scheme is not malleable we conclude that TR-31 is secure under NM-CCA, while AS 2805 is not. Traditionally the notion on NM-CPA Security is captured using an asymmetric scheme, we adapt the current notions to the symmetric setting.

A cipher is NM-CCA secure if, after interacting with a CPA adversary, the adversary interacts with another oracle and cannot find a non-trivial relation between a plaintext and ciphertext.

Theorem 3. *ECB, CTR and CBC are not NM-CCA secure.*

To prove theorem (3) we first construct an CCA adversary in the following security game:

Adversary: $\mathcal{A}^{D_k(\cdot), E_k(\cdot)}$

Game: $\text{Exp}_{\text{NM-CCA}}^f$

Adversary interacts with the encryption oracle:

$c \leftarrow E_k(m)$

Adversary modifies the ciphertext with a function f :

$c' \leftarrow f(c)$

Adversary interacts with the oracle:

$\{m', \perp\} \leftarrow D_k(c')$

If the oracle returns an invalid plaintext (\perp), the adversary modifies the ciphertext and interacts with the decryption oracle again, until:

$m' \leftarrow D_k(c')$

The adversary \mathcal{A} wins the game above if he is able to find a m' that has a relation to the original plaintext m . The adversary \mathcal{A} for NM-CCA only has c with no knowledge of m , and submissions to the decryption oracle must be modified variations of c , that is c' . The adversary \mathcal{A} in the NM-CCA case deviates his function $f(\cdot)$ until a relation is found. If the adversary can find the $f(\cdot)$ function, then he wins the game.

In the case of CTR it is trivial to find that an adversary can flip bits δ in the ciphertext that decrypts to a related plaintext, such that $c' = c \oplus \delta$ with $m' \leftarrow m \oplus \delta$ since:

$$c' \leftarrow c \oplus \delta \leftarrow E_k(m) \leftarrow E_k(m \oplus \delta) \leftarrow E_k(m')$$

We used similar reasoning in Section (3.6) to show plaintext relations can be obtained with CBC and ECB. We claim that for an adversary \mathcal{A} we have the following advantage in the NM-CCA game for ECB, CTR and CBC:

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{CBC}}^{\text{NM-CCA}}(\mathcal{A}^{D_k(\cdot), E_k(\cdot)}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{NM-CCA}}^f(\mathcal{A}^{D_k(\cdot), E_k(\cdot)})] = 1$$

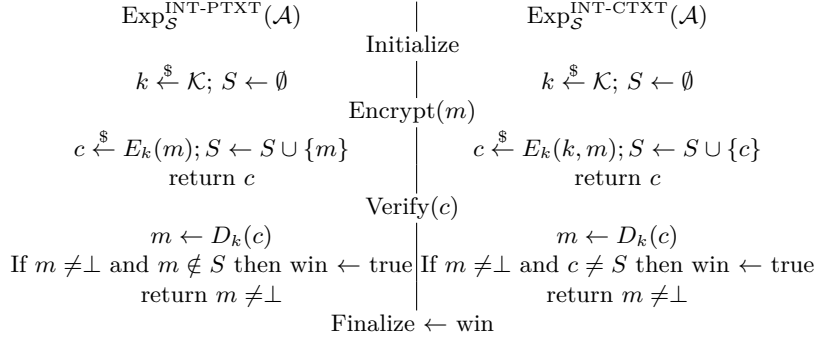
$$\text{Adv}_{\text{CTR}}^{\text{NM-CCA}}(\mathcal{A}^{D_k(\cdot), E_k(\cdot)}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{NM-CCA}}^f(\mathcal{A}^{D_k(\cdot), E_k(\cdot)})] = 1$$

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{ECB}}^{\text{NM-CCA}}(\mathcal{A}^{D_k(\cdot), E_k(\cdot)}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{NM-CCA}}^f(\mathcal{A}^{D_k(\cdot), E_k(\cdot)})] = 1$$

4.4 Plaintext (INT-PTXT) and ciphertext (INT-CTXT) integrity

In our consideration of the integrity for these systems, we look at two notions of integrity. The integrity of plaintext (INT-PTXT) and the integrity of ciphertext (INT-CTXT). If a scheme is INT-PTXT secure, then it is computationally

infeasible to produce a ciphertext, which decrypts to a plaintext that the oracle never encrypted. In a INT-CTXT secure scheme it is infeasible to produce a ciphertext not produced by the oracle. In both cases we allow the adversary to perform a chosen message attack, and a secure scheme should be secure under a unforgeable chosen-message attack (UF-CMA). The notions of authenticity are by themselves quite disjoint from the notions of privacy, as a system might send unencrypted plaintext with a MAC, achieving INT-CTXT, but no privacy. In the comparison between AS 2805 and TR-31 we have to consider the combination of both privacy and integrity. In the AS 2805 scheme, the MAC is computed over the entire payment message, which contains unique information for each payment message, and varies in length. AS 2805 encrypted keys are stored in databases without the MAC. We first only look at the INT-PTXT and INT-CTXT security of financial messages in databases. The TR-31 scheme computes a MAC over the plaintext header and encrypted data of the key block; the plaintext and encrypted data is fixed in size. Therefore we consider the TR-31 scheme INT-PTXT and INT-CTXT secure only if the MAC is unforgeable in the UF-CMA sense. We capture the INT-PTXT and INT-CTXT games as follows:



The two games above an adversary \mathcal{A} wins the INT-PTXT security game, if he submits to verification phase a ciphertext whose decryption is a message $m \neq \perp$, which was not previously sent to $\text{Encrypt}(m)$. An adversary \mathcal{A} wins the INT-CTXT game if he submits a ciphertext to $\text{Verify}(c)$, not previously returned by $\text{Encrypt}(m)$. For any adversary \mathcal{A} . The AS 2805 schemes have no ability to produce authenticity as part of the encryption process, because of this we claim:

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{AS 2805}}^{\text{INT-PTXT}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{AS 2805}}^{\text{INT-PTXT}}(\mathcal{A})] = 1.$$

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{AS 2805}}^{\text{INT-CTXT}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{AS 2805}}^{\text{INT-CTXT}}(\mathcal{A})] = 1.$$

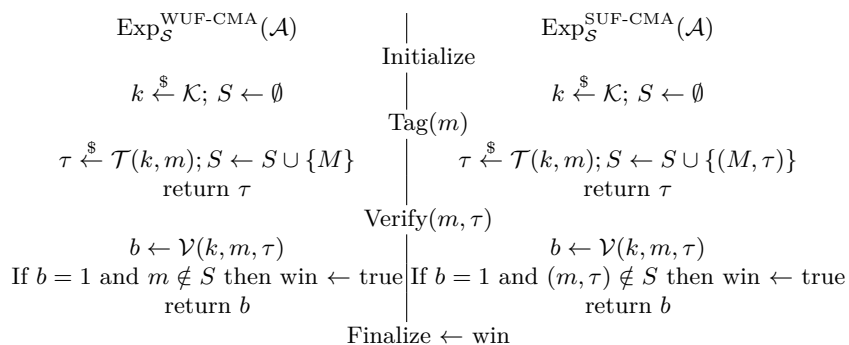
This is trivially proven as part of the malleability of the CBC encryption in Section (3.6). Since the scheme is malleable, an adversary can find a related plaintext from modifying the ciphertext without detection. TR-31 uses a CMAC,

where modification to both the plaintext and ciphertext is detectable, we claim:

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{TR-31}}^{\text{INT-PTXT}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{TR-31}}^{\text{INT-PTXT}}(\mathcal{A})] > \epsilon.$$

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{TR-31}}^{\text{INT-CTXT}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{TR-31}}^{\text{INT-CTXT}}(\mathcal{A})] > \epsilon.$$

In the claim above, we assume that the CMAC is strongly unforgeable, which we will explore by extending the definition of message authentication (as in Definition 5). We do this by creating two security games, specifying two different notions, one for weakly unforgeable message authentication (WUF-CMA) and another for strongly unforgeable message authentication (SUF-CMA):



In the two security games above, the left hand side WUF-CMA game captures the notion of unforgeability under chosen-message attacks. An adversary is successful if he can forge a message that was not submitted to the $\text{Tag}(m)$ procedure. The SUF-CMA game captures a stronger notion whereby the message tag submitted to the $\text{Verify}(m, \tau)$ oracle needs to be new. We denote the advantage of the adversary in each game as follows:

$$\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{WUF-CMA}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{WUF-CMA}}(\mathcal{A})].$$

$$\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{SUF-CMA}}(\mathcal{A}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{SUF-CMA}}(\mathcal{A})].$$

From the games we can easily distinguish that SUF-CMA implies WUF-CMA, that is, if a scheme is SUF-CMA secure then it is also WUF-CMA secure. The CMAC algorithm used in TR-31 is assumed to be SUF-CMA secure, therefore secure in both SUF-CMA and WUF-CMA while the AS 2805 scheme has no integrity and is not secure. We summarise our results in Table (4.1), taking motivation from the work by [BN08].

Composition Method	Privacy			Integrity	
	IND-CPA	IND-CCA	NM-CPA	INT-PTXT	INT-CTXT
TR-31	secure	secure	secure	secure	secure
AS 2805	insecure	insecure	insecure	insecure	insecure

Table 4.1. Financial encryption composition security

The security notions investigated in this section were discussed individually. We now explore the relationships between these notions in a financial security sense highlighting key differences in the work of [BN08].

4.5 Relations among notions

We now state the implications of satisfying the notions above, and how this may imply other security notions. We do not provide full proofs of theorems, as they are captured in [BN08]. We use the results of the composition for our overall analysis when comparing TR-31 and AS 2805.

Theorem 4. ($INT\text{-}PTXT \rightarrow INT\text{-}CTXT$) *If a symmetric scheme is $INT\text{-}CTXT$ secure, then it is also $INT\text{-}CTXT$ secure. We denote the advantage of an chosen plaintext adversary as:*

$$\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{INT-PTXT}}(\mathcal{A}) \leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{INT-CTXT}}(\mathcal{A})$$

Theorem 5. ($INT\text{-}PTXT \wedge IND\text{-}CPA \rightarrow IND\text{-}CCA$) *Any scheme that is both $INT\text{-}PTXT$ and $IND\text{-}CPA$ secure, is also $IND\text{-}CCA$ secure. Another way to express this, is that weak privacy combined with strong integrity implies strong privacy. If we let \mathcal{A} be an $IND\text{-}CCA$ adversary against \mathcal{S} , then we can construct an $INT\text{-}CTXT$ adversary and an $IND\text{-}CPA$ adversary such that:*

$$\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{IND-CCA}}(\mathcal{A}) \leq 2 \cdot \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{INT-CTXT}}(\mathcal{A}) + \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{IND-CPA}}(\mathcal{A})$$

4.6 Secure composition

We turn our attention to the composition of privacy and integrity detailed in [BN08], where we note that the TR-31 scheme conforms to the MAC-then-Encrypt (MtE) as opposed to AS 2805 which conforms to Encrypt-then-MAC (EtM). The work of [BN08] states that EtM works well and is alone secure, when the underlying primitives are sound. That is, when a $IND\text{-}CCA$ secure scheme is combined with a $SUF\text{-}CMA$ secure MAC, we could have a secure composition. We extend our analysis of AS 2805 to messages in transit, where there is a CBC MAC calculated on the payment message.

AS 2805 (EtM) analysis AS 2805 Encrypt-then-MAC (EtM) scheme combines a symmetric encryption scheme $\mathcal{S} = (k_e, E_{k_e}(m), D_{k_e}(c))$ and a message authentication algorithm $\mathcal{M} = (k_m, \mathcal{T}_{k_m}(m), \mathcal{V}_{k_m}(m, \tau))$ and additional plaintext P , that is not encrypted with the following algorithm:

Algorithm: \mathcal{K} $k_e \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$ $k_m \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$ $IV \leftarrow 0^{ k_e }$ return (k_e, k_m)	Algorithm $E(k_e, k_m, m, P)$ $c' \xleftarrow{\$} E_{k_e}(m, IV)$ $\tau \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{T}_{k_m}(c P)$ $c \leftarrow c' \tau$ return c	Algorithm $D(k_e k_m, c)$ $c', \tau \leftarrow c$ $v \leftarrow \mathcal{V}_{k_m}(c', \tau)$ $m \leftarrow D_{k_e}(c')$ If $v = 1$ then return m else return \perp
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AS 2805 uses a fixed IV in CBC encryption, making the encryption scheme deterministic. With our analysis, we can see that AS 2805 is not IND-CPA, IND-CCA or NM-CPA secure. The malleability of CBC mode in the deterministic setting leads us to determine that an adversary is able to find a corresponding ciphertext with a binary relation to the plaintext, violating privacy. According to [BN08] CBC MAC is only secure if you restrict the MAC to strings in the domain $\{0, 1\}^{mn}$ for some constant m . If a CBC MAC is applied to a string varying in length, then an adversary can distinguish the object from a random function. This attack is possible when given a tag on a message $\tau \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_k(m_1)$, one can XOR the tag τ with a second message $m_2 \leftarrow m_2 \oplus \tau$ and compute the tag on $\tau' \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_k(m_2')$. It turns out that τ' is a valid tag for both m_1 and m_2 . We capture this advantage in the following LR security game:

Adversary: $\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{T}_k(\cdot, b)}$

Game: $\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC-MAC}}^b$

$m_1 \leftarrow 1^n; m_2 \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{R}$

$\tau_1, m_1 \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_k(m_1, b)$

$\tau_2, m_2 \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_k(m_2, b)$

$\tau_3 \leftarrow m_2 \oplus \tau_1$

$m_3 \leftarrow m_1 || \tau_3 || m_2$

$\tau_3, m_3 \leftarrow \mathcal{T}_k(m_3, b)$

If $\tau_3 = \tau_2$, then return 1 else return 0;

Then we have:

$$\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\text{CBC-MAC}}(\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{T}_k(\cdot, b)}) = \Pr[\text{Exp}_{\text{CBC-MAC}}^b(\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{T}_k(\cdot, b)})] = 1$$

This problem cannot be solved by adding a message-size block. We recommend the use of CMAC (like in TR-31) for variable length message, to mitigate against this attack.

For a PRF adversary attacking a fixed length CBC MAC in the domain $\{0, 1\}^{mn}$ for some constant m , we can define the following theorem and security bound (taken from [BPR05]):

Theorem 6. *For a fixed $n \leq 1$, $m \leq 1$, and $q \leq 2$. Let \mathcal{A} be an adversary, asking at most q queries. Each query is of nm bits, then we have:*

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{CBC MAC}}^{\text{prf}}(\mathcal{A}) \leq \frac{mq^2}{2^n}$$

TR-31 Mac-then-Encrypt (MtE) analysis The TR-31 Mac-then-Encrypt (MtE) scheme combines a symmetric encryption scheme $\mathcal{S} = (k_e, E_{k_e}(m), D_{k_e}(c))$ and a message authentication algorithm $\mathcal{M} = (k_m, \mathcal{T}_{k_m}(m), \mathcal{V}_{k_m}(m, \tau))$, where output of the MAC is the IV of the symmetric scheme and the MAC is computed over additional plaintext P , that is not encrypted with the following algorithm:

Algorithm: \mathcal{K} $k_e \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$ $k_m \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$ return $(k_e k_m)$	Algorithm $E(k_e k_m, m, P)$ $\tau \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{T}_{k_m}(P m)$ $c' \xleftarrow{\$} E_{k_e}(m, \tau)$ $c \leftarrow P c' \tau$ return c	Algorithm $D(k_e k_m, c)$ $c', \tau, P \leftarrow c$ $m \leftarrow D_{k_e}(c', \tau)$ $v \leftarrow \mathcal{V}_{k_m}(P m, \tau)$ If $v = 1$ then return m else return \perp
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The tag τ of the MAC is computed on a fixed size message, outputting randomised data as the IV of the CBC encryption. The CBC\$ encryption is probabilistic in nature, and secure under IND-CPA, IND-CCA, NM-CPA. The relations among the notions hold for TR-31, and the MtE construction is shown to be more secure than the implementation of EtM AS2805 scheme. An adversary attacking the TR-31 CBC\$ encryption scheme is upper bounded by $\frac{\sigma^2}{2^{n+1}}$ and the integrity by $\frac{mq^2}{2^n}$. With the combination of both schemes we can establish the following bounds for an PRF adversary:

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{TR-31}}^{\text{prf}}(\mathcal{A}) \leq \frac{mq^2}{2^n} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2^{n+1}}$$

While in the case of AS 2808 the bounds are *non-negligible*.

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{AS 2805}}^{\text{prf}}(\mathcal{A}) > \epsilon$$

5 Conclusion

We present the TR-31 encryption mode and draw a formal comparison to the AS 2805 methods. We then discussed some open problems and formed a formal analysis concerning payment system models. In the study of CBC and ECB, we showed that fixed and counter IVs is not secure in the IND-CCA and IND-CPA attack models, and we discussed the non-malleable security of CBC MAC. The CBC mode was compared with CBC\$, showing a clear adversary advantage. Lastly, we showed that the AS 2805 Encrypt-then-MAC scheme is not a secure composition method, while the TR-31 MAC-then-encrypt scheme does not present the same disadvantages in the attack models.

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