

# Enhanced Security Notions for Dedicated-Key Hash Functions: Definitions and Relationships

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## Two Settings for Hash Functions

1. **Keyless Setting:**  $H : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$

- Example:  $\text{SHA-1} : \{0, 1\}^{<2^{64}} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{160}$

2. **Dedicated-key Setting** (Function Family):  $\mathcal{H} : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$

A member of the family is chosen by a **key** (**index** or **salt**)  $K \in \mathcal{K}$  and is a function  $H \triangleq \mathcal{H}_K : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$

- Some examples:
  - ★ CRHF family (Damgård, CRYPTO 1987)
  - ★ UOWHF family (Naor and Yung, STOC 1989)
  - ★ VSH (Contini et al., EUROCRYPT 2006)
  - ★ Some SHA-3 Proposals: e.g. Blake (Aumasson et al.), ECHO (Benadjila et al.), SHAvite-3 (Dunkelman-Biham), Skein (Ferguson et al.)

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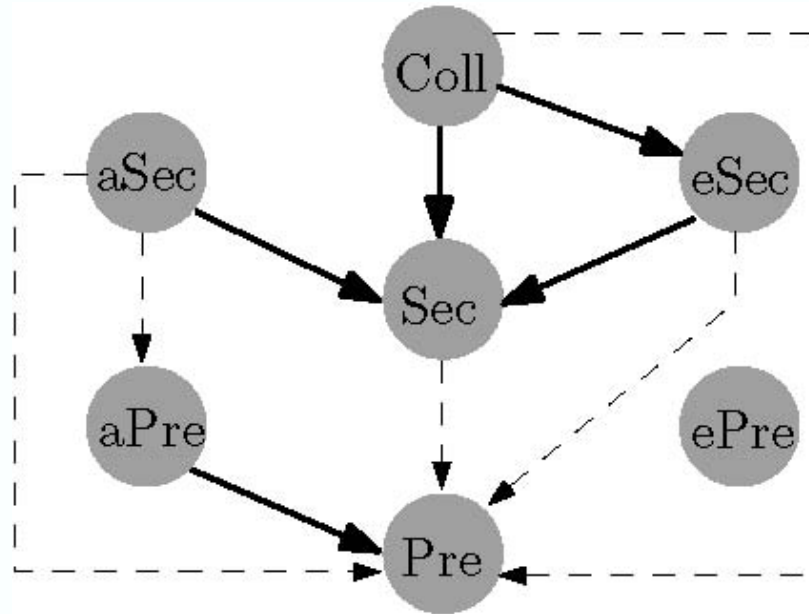
- Collision Resistance (**Coll**)
- Second-Preimage Resistance
  - **Sec**
  - **aSec**
  - **eSec**
- Preimage Resistance
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- Second-Preimage Resistance
  - **Sec**  $\{\mathbf{K} \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}; \mathbf{M} \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^{\delta}; \mathbf{M}' \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{M}) : \mathbf{M} \neq \mathbf{M}' \wedge \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{K}}(\mathbf{M}) = \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{K}}(\mathbf{M}')\}$
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- Preimage Resistance
  - **Pre**  $\{\mathbf{K} \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}; \mathbf{M} \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^{\delta}; \mathbf{Y} \leftarrow \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{K}}(\mathbf{M}); \mathbf{M}' \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{Y}) : \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{K}}(\mathbf{M}') = \mathbf{Y}\}$
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## Relationships among the Seven Notions



**Rogaway and Shrimpton, FSE 2004**  
 (revised ePrint version: Report 2004/035)

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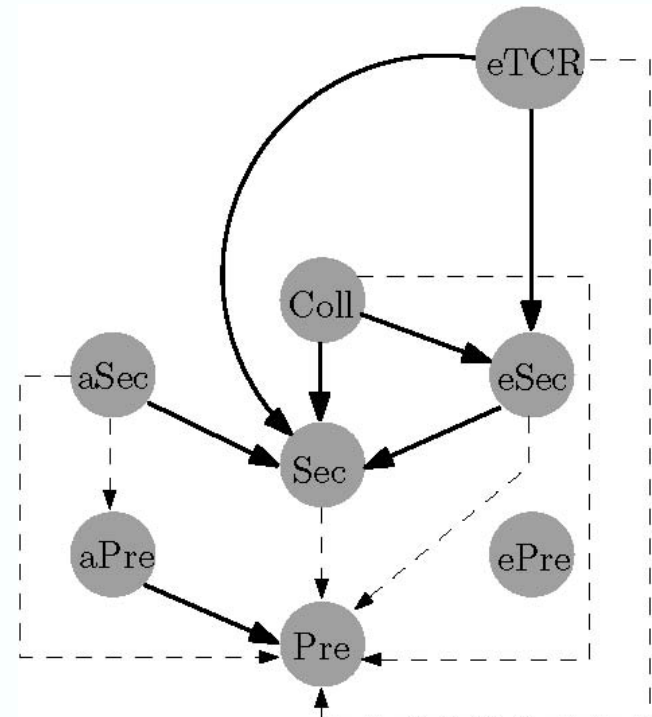
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Relationships (Reyhaniabar, Susilo, and Mu, FSE 2009 and ePrint report 2009/506)






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Some of the relationships between eColl and other properties, especially in the complexity-theoretic sense, were considered by Yasuda at Asiacrypt 2008.

## Enhanced (Strengthened) Variants of the other Properties

1. Strengthened “Coll”: **s-Coll** (= “eColl”)
2. Strengthened “Sec”: **s-Sec**
3. Strengthened “aSec”: **s-aSec**
4. Strengthened “eSec”: **s-eSec** (= “eTCR”)
5. Strengthened “Pre”: **s-Pre**
6. Strengthened “aPre”: **s-aPre**
7. Strengthened “ePre”? 

## Definitions

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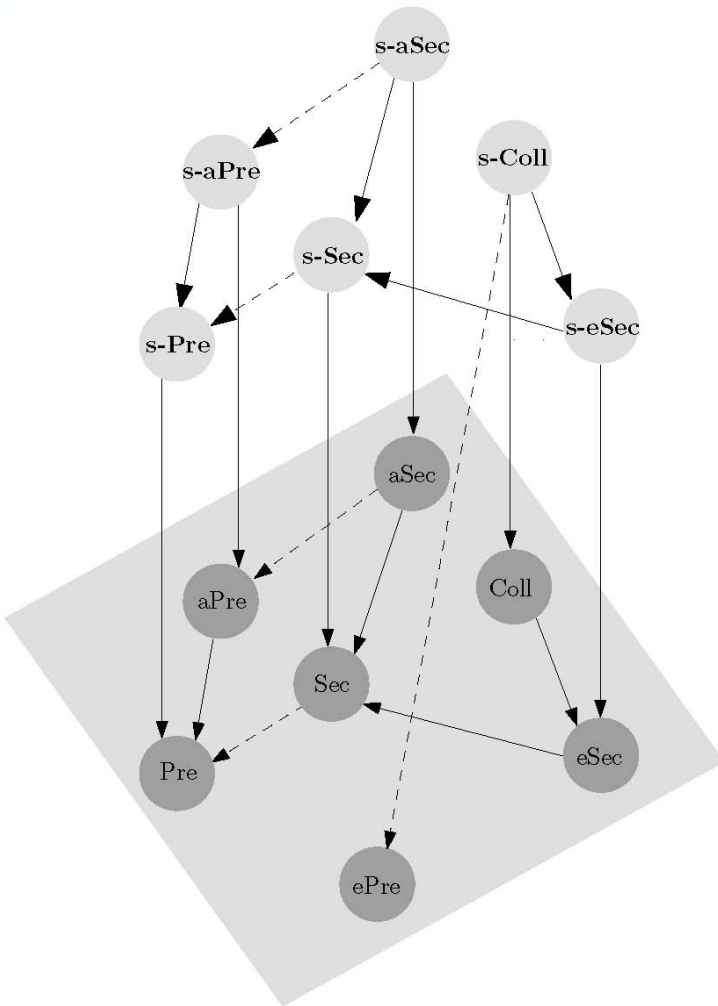
$$\text{Adv}_H^{\text{s-Sec}[\delta]}(A) = \Pr \left[ \begin{array}{l} K \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}; M \xleftarrow{\$} \{0,1\}^\delta; \\ K', M' \xleftarrow{\$} A(K, M) \end{array} : (K, M) \neq (K', M') \wedge H_K(M) = H_{K'}(M') \right]$$

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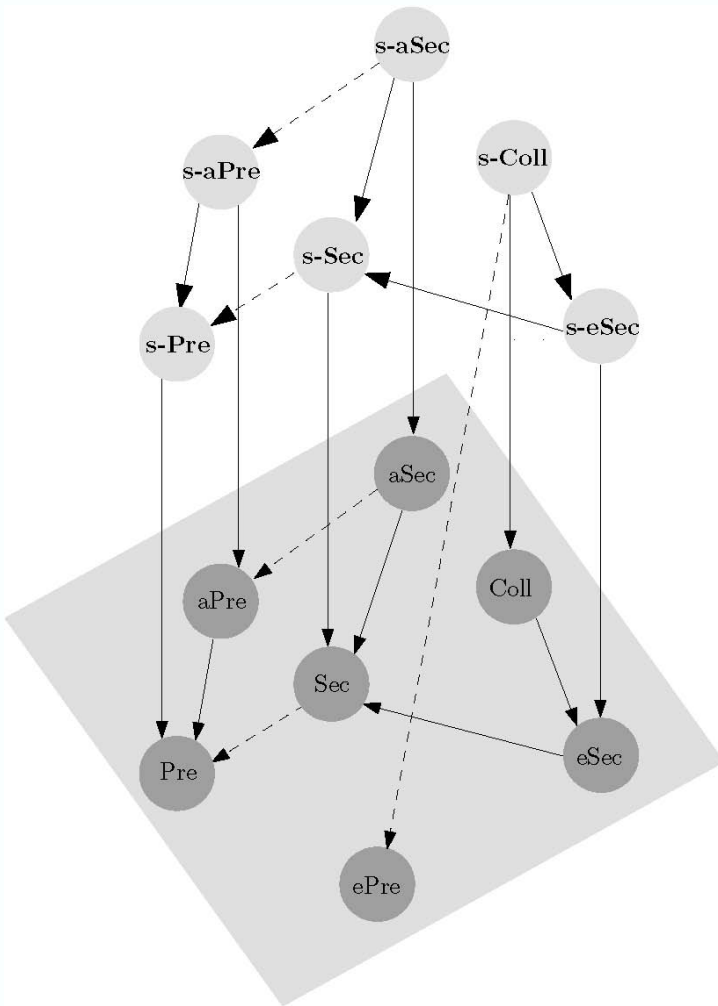
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	s-Coll (eColl)	s-Sec	s-aSec	s-eSec (eTCR)	s-Pre	s-aPre
s-Coll (eColl)	=	→	↗	→ [27]	→	↗
s-Sec	↗	=	↗	↗	→	↗
s-aSec	↗	→	=	↗	→	→
s-eSec (eTCR)	↗	→	↗	=	→	↗
s-Pre	↗	↗	↗	↗	=	↗
s-aPre	↗	↗	↗	↗	→	=

	Coll	Sec	aSec	eSec (TCR)	Pre	aPre	ePre
s-Coll (eColl)	→	→	↗	→	→	↗	→
s-Sec	↗	→	↗	↗	→	↗	↗
s-aSec	↗	→	→	↗	→	→	↗
s-eSec (eTCR)	↗ [20]	→ [21]	↗ [21]	→ [21]	→ [21]	↗ [21]	↗ [21]
s-Pre	↗	↗	↗	↗	→	↗	↗
s-aPre	↗	↗	↗	↗	→	→	↗

	s-Coll	s-Sec	s-aSec	s-eSec (eTCR)	s-Pre	s-aPre
Coll	↗	↗	↗	↗ [20]	↗	↗
Sec	↗	↗	↗	↗ [21]	↗	↗
aSec	↗	↗	↗	↗ [21]	↗	↗
eSec (TCR)	↗	↗	↗	↗ [21]	↗	↗
Pre	↗	↗	↗	↗ [21]	↗	↗
aPre	↗	↗	↗	↗ [21]	↗	↗
ePre	↗	↗	↗	↗ [21]	↗	↗

[20, 21] Reyhanitabar, Susilo, Mu, FSE 2009 and ePrint report 2009/506

[27] Yasuda, Asiacrypt 2008

## Notions of Implications

Let  $\text{xxx}$  and  $\text{yyy}$  be two security notions defined for an *arbitrary* hash function  $H : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ , and fix  $\delta$  such that  $\{0, 1\}^\delta \subseteq \mathcal{M}$ .

★ **Security-Preserving Implications** ( $\text{xxx} \rightarrow \text{yyy}$ ):

$\text{Adv}_H^{\text{yyy}}(t') \leq c \text{Adv}_H^{\text{xxx}}(t)$ , for *all* such hash functions  $H$ , where  $t' = t - c' T_{H, \delta}$  and  $c, c'$  are constants.

★ **Provisional Implications** ( $\text{xxx} \dashrightarrow \text{yyy}$ ):

We establish one of the following two concrete bounds:

1.  $\text{Adv}_H^{\text{yyy}}(t') \leq c \text{Adv}_H^{\text{xxx}}(t) + \mu(n, k, \delta)$
2.  $\text{Adv}_H^{\text{yyy}}(t') \leq c \text{Adv}_H^{\text{xxx}}(t) + c' \sqrt{\text{Adv}_H^{\text{xxx}}(t)} + \mu(n, k, \delta)$

, where  $t' = t - c' T_{H, \delta}$ ;  $c, c'$  are some non-negative constants, and  $\mu(n, k, \delta)$  depends on the hash function parameters  $n, k$  and  $\delta$  (e.g.  $\mu(n, k, \delta) = 2^{n-\delta}$ ).

## Example: s-Coll $\dashrightarrow$ ePre

**Theorem.** For any  $H : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ :  $\text{Adv}_H^{ePre}(t') \leq \sqrt{\text{Adv}_H^{s-Coll}(t)} + \frac{1}{|\mathcal{K}|}$ , where  $t' = t - c$ , for some small constant  $c$ .

Notations:

★  $y \xleftarrow{\$} A(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  means:  $R \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^{r(|x|)}$  and  $y = A(x_1, \dots, x_n; R)$

★ Let  $\text{Verify}(M, K, Y)$  be a deterministic predicate defined as follows:

$$\text{Verify}(M, K, Y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } H_K(M) = Y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



## Proof

### ePre Experiment

$R \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^r$ ;  $(Y, State) = A(\emptyset; R)$ ;

$K \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$ ;  $M = A(K, State; R)$ ;  $d = \text{Verify}(M, K, Y)$ ;

Return  $d$

### Reset Experiment:

$R \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^r$ ;  $(Y, State) = A(\emptyset; R)$ ;

$K1 \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$ ;  $M1 = A(K1, State; R)$ ;  $d_1 = \text{Verify}(M1, K1, Y)$ ;

$K2 \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$ ;  $M2 = A(K2, State; R)$ ;  $d_2 = \text{Verify}(M2, K2, Y)$ ;

If  $(d_1 = 1 \wedge d_2 = 1 \wedge K1 \neq K2)$  then **return 1** else **return 0**

**Proposition.** Let  $p$  denote the probability that the ePre Experiment returns 1 and  $q$  be the probability that the Reset Experiment returns 1; we have  $p \leq \sqrt{q} + \frac{1}{|\mathcal{K}|}$ .

## Separations

- ★ We use  $xxx \not\Rightarrow yyy$  to show that the notion  $xxx$  does not imply the notion  $yyy$ , in the “conventional sense”.
- ★ Assuming that there exists a function  $H : \{0, 1\}^k \times \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$  that is  $(t, \epsilon) - xxx$  secure, we construct (as a counterexample) a function  $G : \{0, 1\}^k \times \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$  which is also  $(t', \epsilon') - xxx$  secure, but *completely insecure* in  $yyy$  sense; *i.e.*  $\text{Adv}_G^{yyy}(c'') \approx 1$ , where  $c''$  is a small constant.
  - ▶ In our separation results, we show counterexamples for which either  $\text{Adv}_G^{yyy}(c'') = 1$ , or  $\text{Adv}_G^{yyy}(c'') = 1 - 2^{-m}$  which for any typical value of  $m$  becomes  $\approx 1$ .

## Counterexamples used in our Separations

$$G1_K(M) = \begin{cases} C^* & \text{if } K = K^* \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$G2_K(M) = \begin{cases} K_{1\dots n} & \text{if } \text{val}(M) = \text{val}(K) \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$G3_K(M) = \begin{cases} H_K(0^{m-k}||K) & \text{if } M = 1^{m-k}||K \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$G4_K(M) = \begin{cases} C^* & \text{if } M = 0^m \vee M = 1^m \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$G5_K(M) = H_K(M_{1\dots m-1}||0)$$

$$G6_K(M) = \begin{cases} C^* & \text{if } M = M^* \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$G7_K(M) = \begin{cases} K_{1\dots n} & \text{if } \text{val}(M) = \text{val}(K) \\ H_K(\langle \text{val}(K) \rangle_m) & \text{if } \text{val}(M) \neq \text{val}(K) \wedge H_K(M) = K_{1\dots n} \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$G8_K(M) = \begin{cases} K_{1\dots n} & \text{if } M = M^* \\ H_K(M^*) & \text{if } M \neq M^* \wedge H_K(M) = K_{1\dots n} \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$G9_K(M) = \begin{cases} K_{1\dots n} & \text{if } M = M^* \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## Example: s-eSec (eTCR) $\not\rightarrow$ s-Coll

Assume that we have a hash function  $H : \{0, 1\}^k \times \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ , with  $m > k \geq n$ , which is  $(t, \epsilon) - eTCR$ .

The hash function  $G3 : \{0, 1\}^k \times \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$  is  $(t', \epsilon') - eTCR$ , where  $t' = t - c$ ,  $\epsilon' = \epsilon + 2^{-k+1}$ , but it is **completely insecure in the s-Coll sense, i.e.**  
 $\text{Adv}_{G3}^{s\text{-Coll}}(c') = 1$ .

$$G3_K(M) = \begin{cases} H_K(0^{m-k} \| K) & \text{if } M = 1^{m-k} \| K \\ H_K(M) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## Conclusion

- An **extended set of security notions for dedicated-key hash functions**, including eTCR and eColl properties, was defined.
- A **full picture of the relationships** among the (thirteen) security properties, including the (six) enhanced properties and the previously considered seven properties, was provided.
- The new enhanced properties introduced in this paper **may find interesting applications in practice**.
- Meanwhile, these new enhanced properties can be considered by cryptanalysts as **easier targets for certification attacks** against dedicated-key hash functions.

**Questions?**

**Thanks!**

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