

Lecture 12: Key-Agreement and Public-key Encryption

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Relationship

$$\text{DDH} \implies \text{CDH} \implies \text{DL}$$

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