

# EE309 Advanced Programming Techniques for EE

## Lecture 19: PRF, PRP, Hash, and PRNG

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# The Landscape

Jargon in Cryptography

# Good News: OTP has perfect secrecy

Thm: The One Time Pad is Perfectly Secure

Must show:  $\Pr [E(k, m_0) = c] = \Pr [E(k, m_1) = c]$   
where  $|M| = \{0,1\}^m$

Proof:

$$\Pr[E(k, m_0) = c] = \Pr[k \oplus m_0 = c] \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{|k \in \{0,1\}^m : k \oplus m_0 = c|}{|\{0,1\}^m|} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^m} \quad (3)$$

$$\Pr[E(k, m_1) = c] = \Pr[k \oplus m_1 = c] \quad (4)$$

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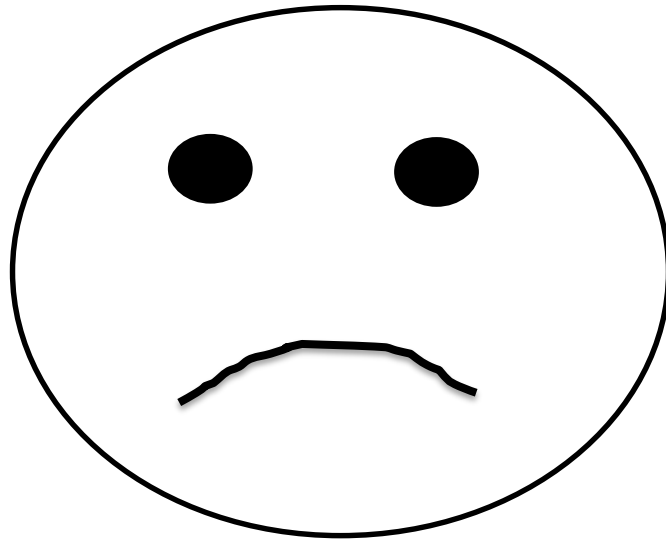
$$= \frac{1}{2^m} \quad (6)$$

Therefore,  $\Pr[E(k, m_0) = c] = \Pr[E(k, m_1) = c]$

Information-  
Theoretic  
Secrecy

# The “Bad News” Theorem

Theorem: Perfect secrecy requires  $|K| \geq |M|$



# Kerckhoffs' Principle

The system must be practically, if not mathematically, indecipherable

- Security is only preserved against efficient adversaries running in (probabilistic) polynomial time (PPT) and space
- Adversaries can succeed with some small probability (that is small enough it is hopefully not a concern)
  - Ex: Probability of guessing a password

“A scheme is secure if every PPT adversary succeeds in breaking the scheme with only negligible probability”

Random Function



OTP

# The Landscape

# Pseudorandom Number Generators

Amplify small amount of randomness to large “pseudo-random” number with a pseudo-random number generator (PRNG)

Let  $S : \{0, 1\}^s$  and  $K : \{0, 1\}^k$

$G : S \rightarrow K$  where  $k \gg s$

# One Way Functions

Defn: A function  $f$  is one-way if:

1.  $f$  can be computed in polynomial time
2. No polynomial time adversary  $\mathbf{A}$  can invert with more than negligible probability

$$\Pr[f(\mathbf{A}(f(x))) = f(x)] < \epsilon$$

Note: mathematically, a function is one-way if it is not one-to-one. Here we mean something stronger.



# Candidate One-Way Functions

- Factorization. Let  $N=p*q$ , where  $|p| = |q| = |N|/2$ . We believe factoring  $N$  is hard.
- Discrete Log. Let  $p$  be a prime,  $x$  be a number between 0 and  $p$ . Given  $g^x \bmod p$ , it is believed hard to recover  $x$ .

# The relationship

PRNG exist  $\Leftrightarrow$  OWF exist

# Thinking About Functions

A function is just a mapping from inputs to outputs:

$f_1$

x	$f_1(x)$
1	4
2	13
3	12
4	1
5	7

$f_2$

x	$f_2(x)$
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5

$f_3$

x	$f_2(x)$
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2	3
3	7
4	8
5	10

...

~~Which function is not random?~~

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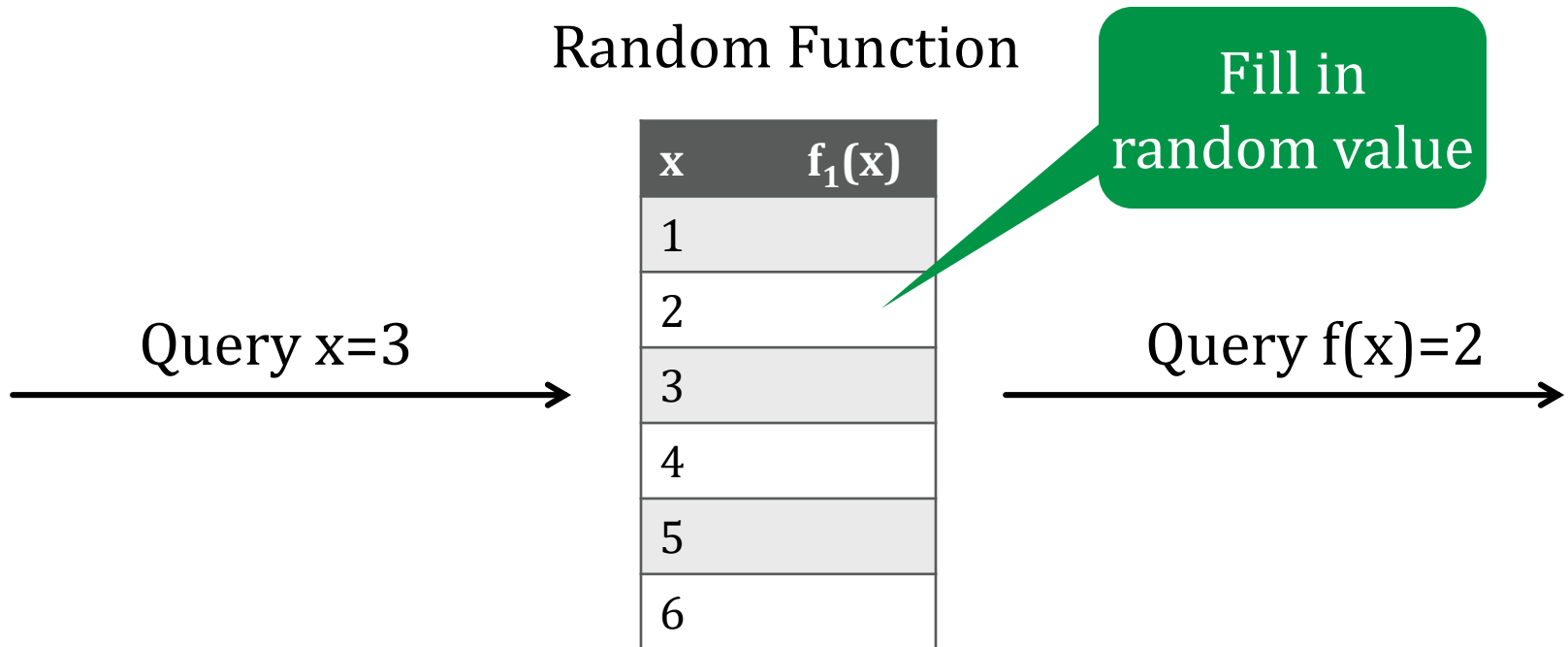
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What is random is the way we pick a function

# Game-based Interpretation



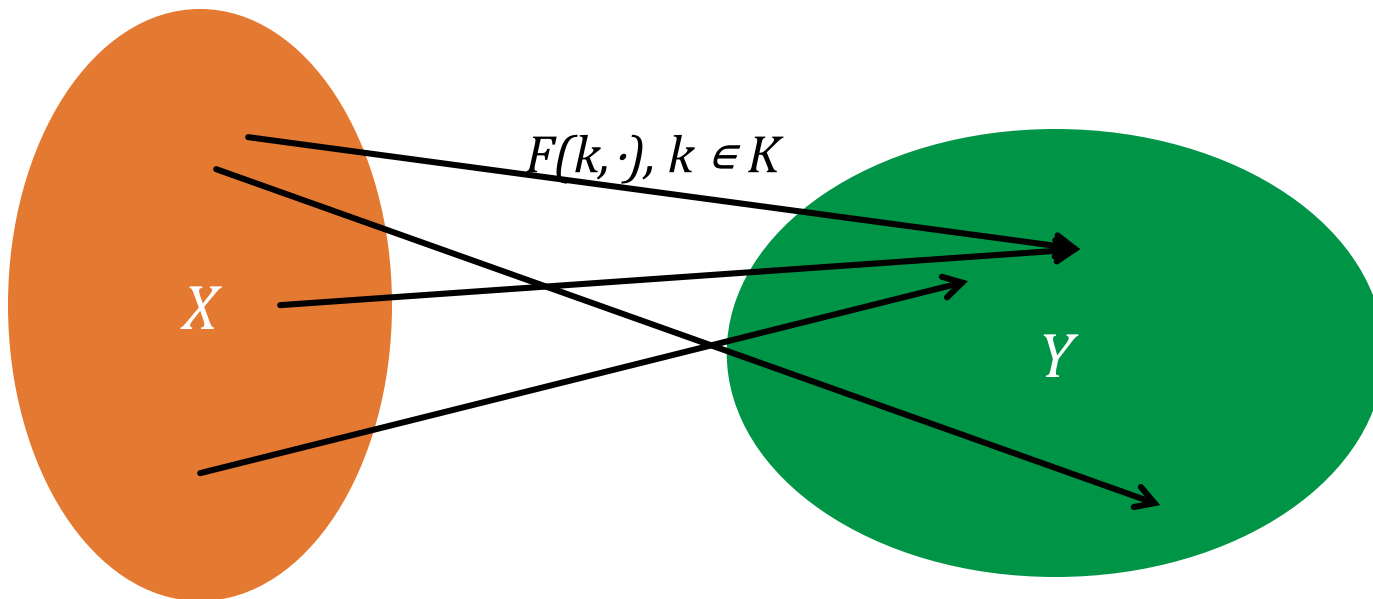
Note asking  $x=1, 2, 3, \dots$  gives us our OTP randomness.

# PRFs

Pseudo Random Function (PRF) defined over  $(K, X, Y)$ :

$$F : K \times X \rightarrow Y$$

such that there exists an “efficient” algorithm to evaluate  $F(k, x)$



Pseudorandom functions are not to be confused with pseudorandom generators (PRGs). The guarantee of a PRG is that a single output appears random if the input was chosen at random. On the other hand, the guarantee of a PRF is that all its outputs appear random, regardless of how the corresponding inputs were chosen, as long as the function was drawn at random from the PRF family.

- wikipedia

PRNG exist  $\Leftrightarrow$  OWF exist  $\Leftrightarrow$  PRF exists



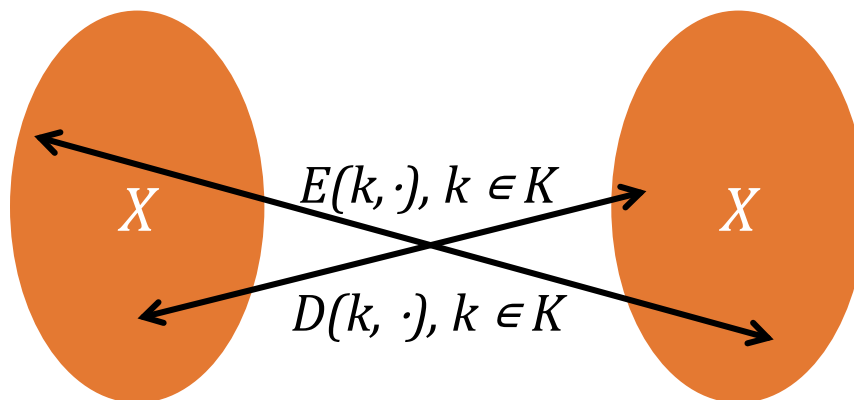
# Abstractly: PRPs

Pseudo Random Permutation (PRP) defined over  $(K,X)$

$$E : K \times X \rightarrow X$$

such that:

1. Exists “efficient” deterministic algorithm to evaluate  $E(k,x)$
2. The function  $E(k, \cdot)$  is one-to-one
3. Exists “efficient” inversion algorithm  $D(k,y)$



# Running example

- Example PRPs: 3DES, AES, ...

AES:  $K \times X \rightarrow X$  where  $K = X = \{0, 1\}^{128}$

3DES:  $K \times X \rightarrow X$  where  $X = \{0, 1\}^{64}, K = \{0, 1\}^{168}$

- Functionally, any PRP is also a PRF.
  - PRP is a PRF when  $X = Y$  and is efficiently invertible

Random Function



OTP

# The Landscape

# Security and Indistinguishability

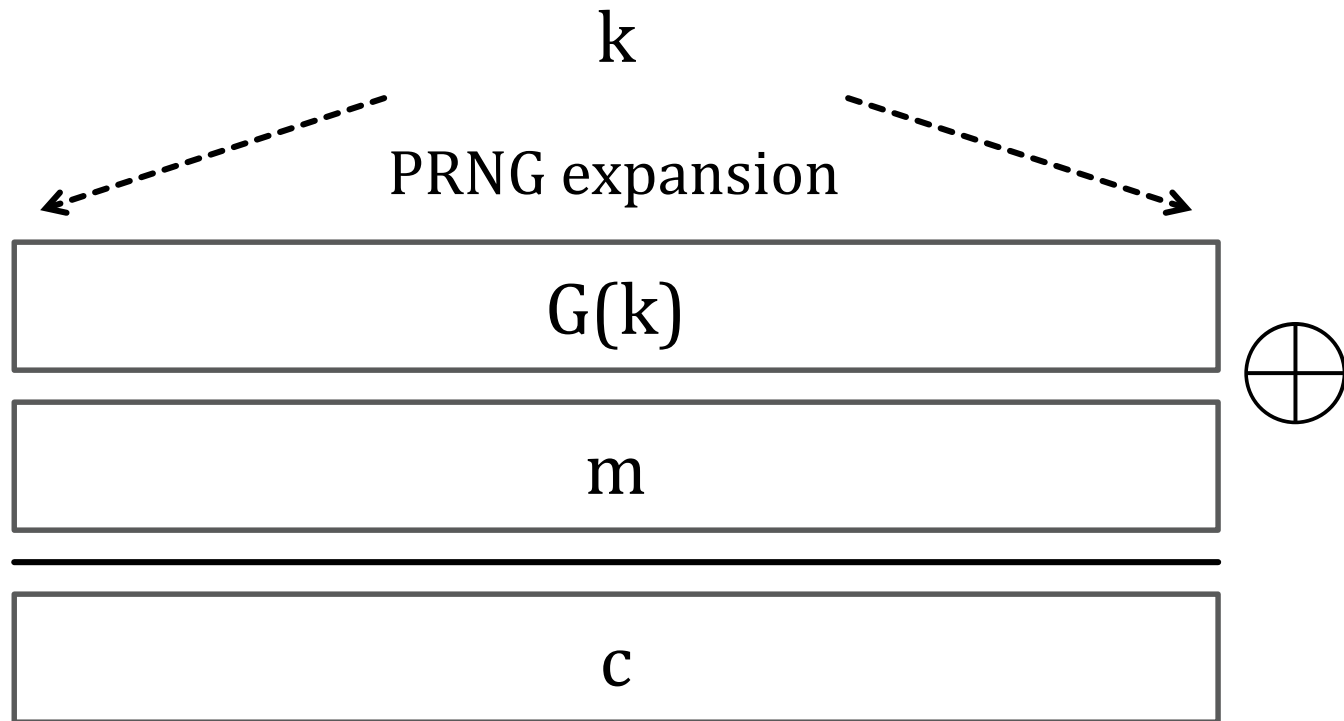
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# A Practical OTP



$$c = E(k, m) = m \oplus G(k)$$

$$D(k, c) = c \oplus G(k)$$

# Question

Can a PRNG-based pad have perfect secrecy?

1. Yes, if the PRNG is secure
2. No, there are no ciphers with perfect secrecy
3. No, the key size is shorter than the message

# PRG Security

Recall PRNG:

Let  $S : \{0, 1\}^s$  and  $K : \{0, 1\}^k$

$G : S \rightarrow K$  where  $k \gg s$

One requirement: Output of PRG is unpredictable  
(mimics a perfect source of randomness)

It should be impossible for any Alg to predict bit  $i+1$   
given the first  $i$  bits:

$$\exists i. G(k)|_{1,\dots,i} \xrightarrow{\text{Alg}} G(k)|_{i+1,\dots,n}$$

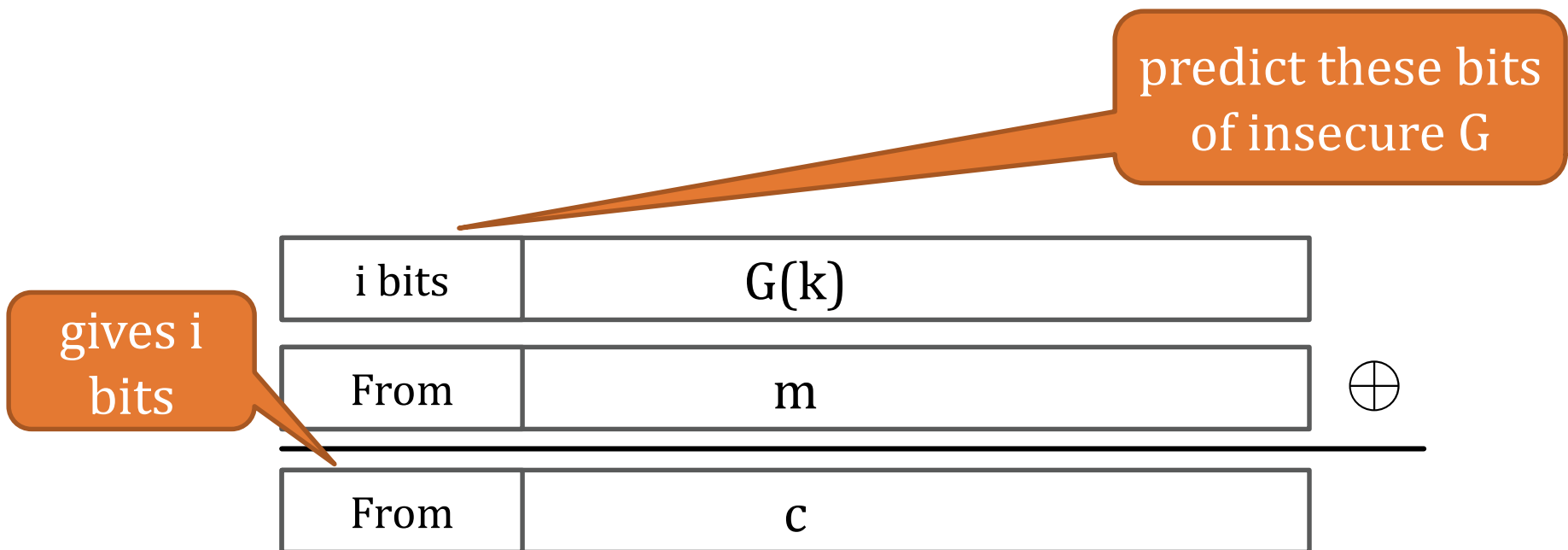
Even predicting 1  
bit is insecure



# Example

Suppose PRG is predictable:

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# Adversarial Indistinguishability Game

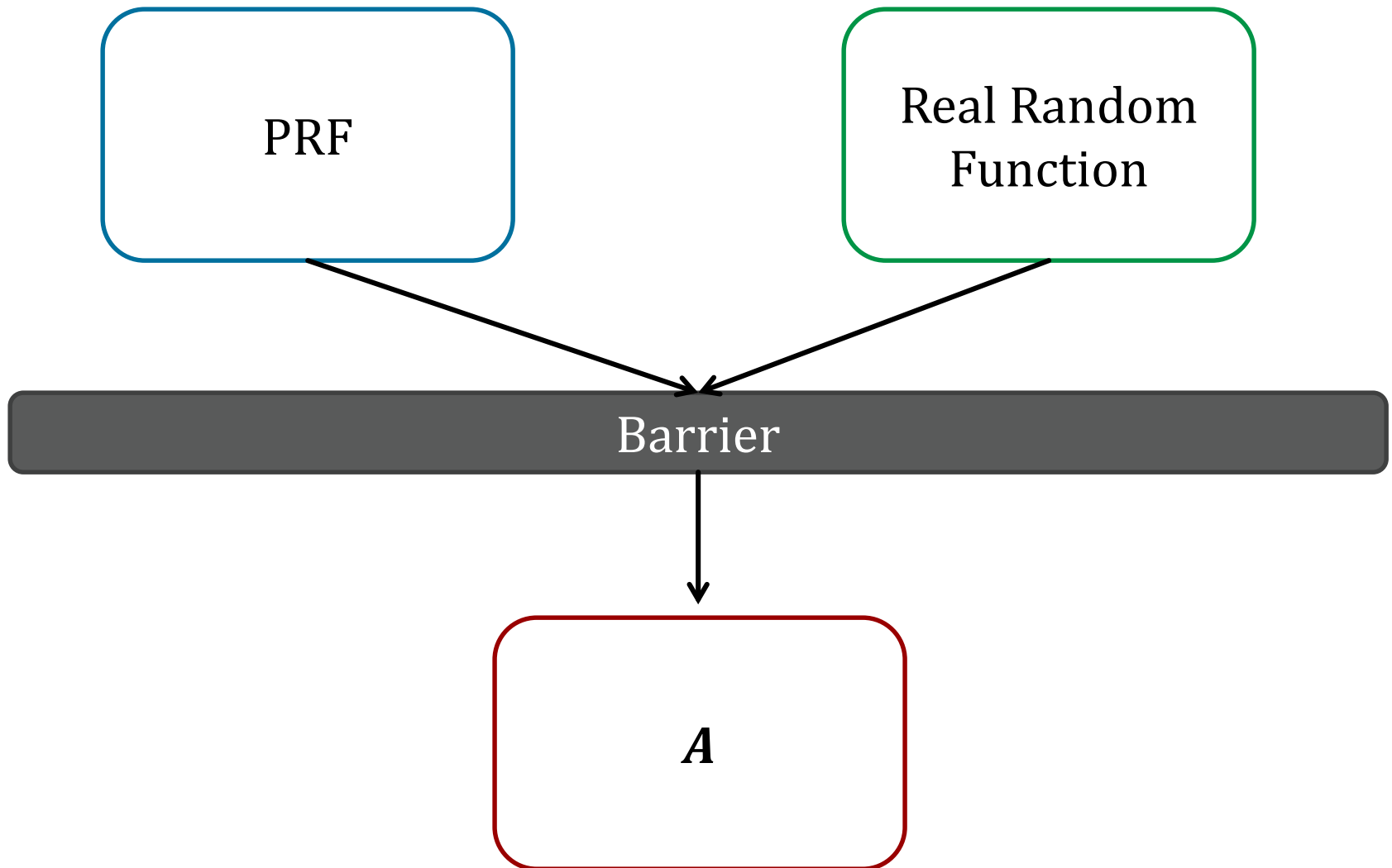
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can't fool me.

# Secure PRF: The Intuition



# PRF Security Game

(A behavioral model)

World 0

World 1

**E**

2.  
if(tbl[x]  
undefined)  
tbl[x] = rand()  
return y =tbl[x]

**A**

1. Picks x  
  
5. Guess and  
output b'

**E**

$y = \text{PRF}(x)$

**A**

1. Picks x  
  
3. Outputs  
guess for b

x

y

x

y

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For  $b=0,1$ :  $W_b := [ \text{event that } \mathbf{A}(W_b) = \underline{1} ]$

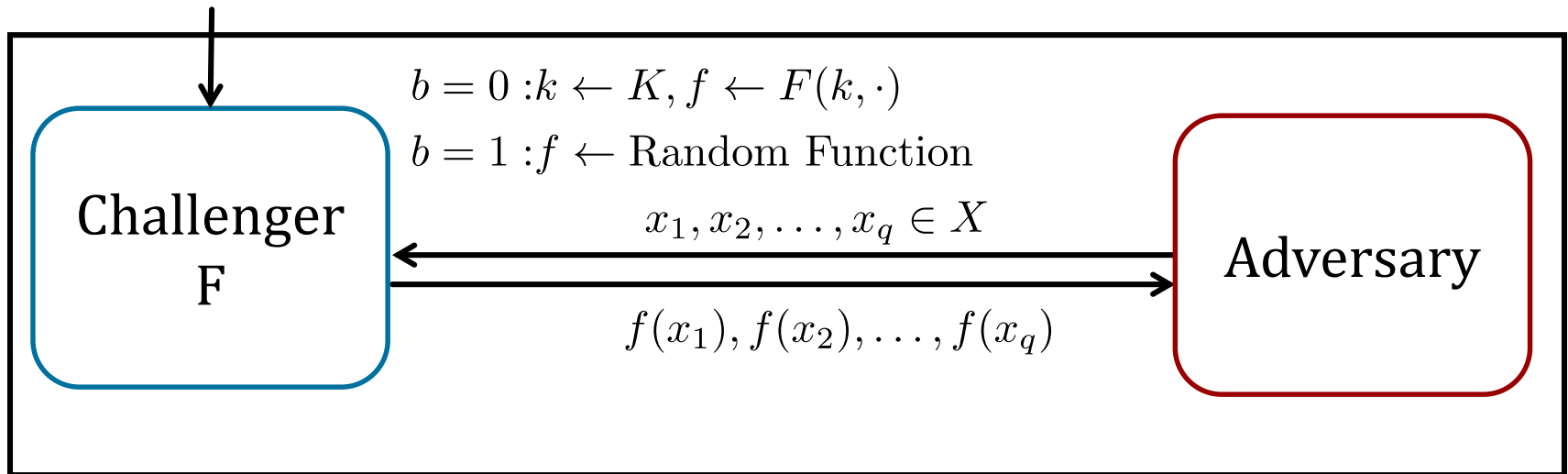
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Always 1

# Secure PRF: An Alternate Interpretation

For  $b = 0, 1$  define experiment  $EXP(b)$  as:

$$b \in \{0, 1\}$$



Def: PRF is a secure PRF if for all efficient  $A$ :

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{PRF}[A, F] := |\Pr[Exp(0) = 1] - \Pr[Exp(1) = 1]| < \epsilon$$

# Quiz

Let  $F : K \times X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{128}$  be a secure PRF.

Is the following  $G$  a secure PRF?

$$G(k, x) = \begin{cases} 0^{128} & \text{if } x = 0 \\ F(k, x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- No, it is easy to distinguish  $G$  from a random function
- Yes, an attack on  $G$  would also break  $F$
- It depends on  $F$

# Semantic Security of Ciphers

# What is a secure cipher?

Attackers goal: recover one plaintext (for now)

Attempt #1: Attacker cannot recover key

*Insufficient:*  $E(k,m) = m$

Attempt #2: Attacker cannot recover all of plaintext

*Insufficient:*  $E(k,m_0 || m_1) = m_0 || E(k,m_1)$

Recall Shannon's Intuition:  
 $c$  should reveal no information about  $m$



# Adversarial Indistinguishability Game

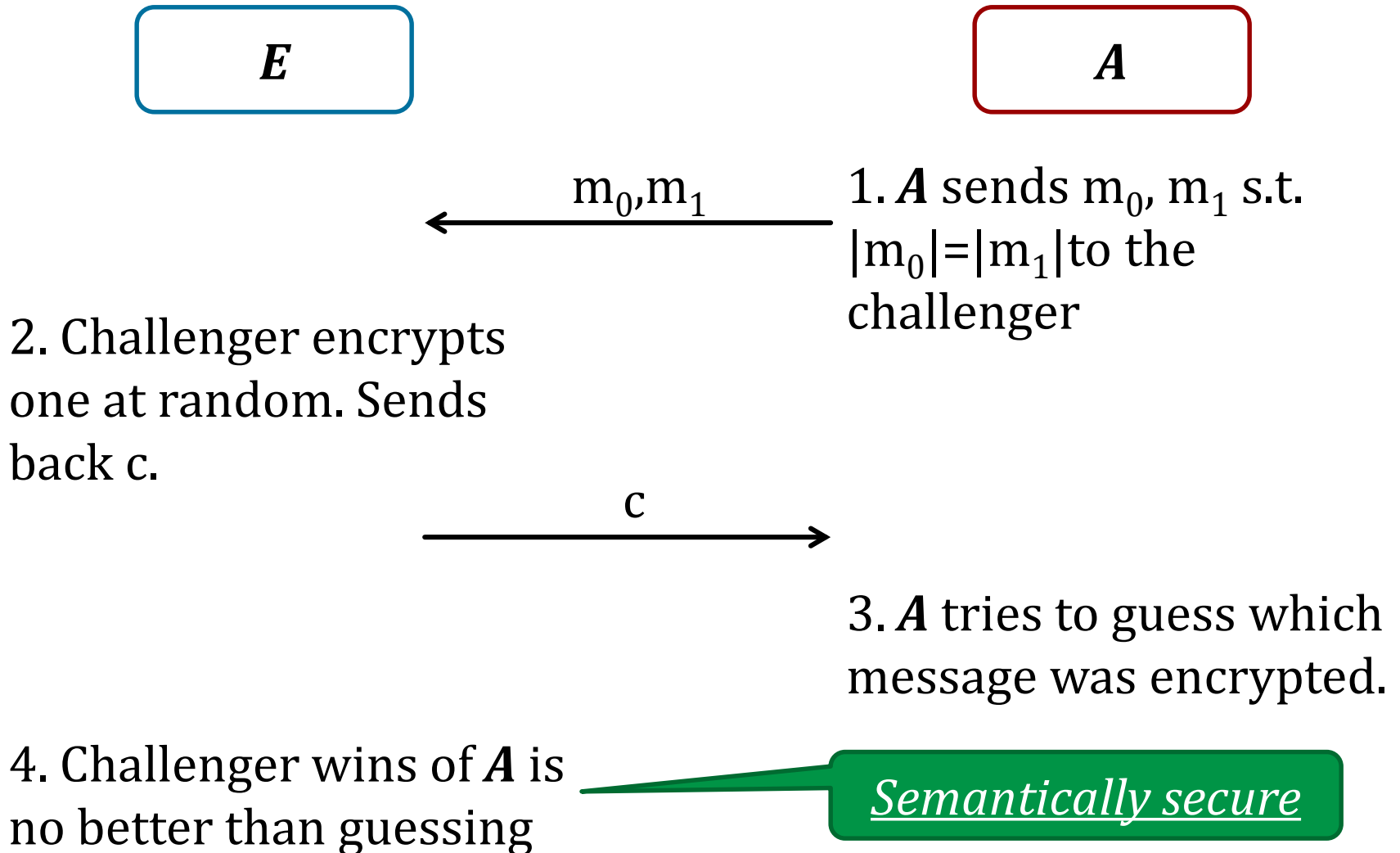
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# Semantic Security Motivation



# Semantic Security Game

World 0

*E*

2. Pick  $b=0$
3.  $k = \text{KeyGen}(l)$
4.  $c = E(k, m_b)$

$m_0, m_1$

$c$

*A*

1. Picks  $m_0, m_1$ ,  
 $|m_0| = |m_1|$
5. Guess and output  $b'$

World 1

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Semantic security is a behavioral model getting at any *A* behaving the same in either world when *E* is secure.

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# Example 1: Guessing

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**A** guesses.  $W_b := [ \text{event that } A(W_b) = 1 ]$ . So

$W_0 = .5$ , and  $W_1 = .5$

$\text{Adv}_{SS}[A, E] := | .5 - .5 | = 0$

# Example 1: $A$ is right 75% of time

World 0

$E$

2. Pick  $b=0$
3.  $k = \text{KeyGen}(l)$
4.  $c = E(k, m_b)$

$m_0, m_1$

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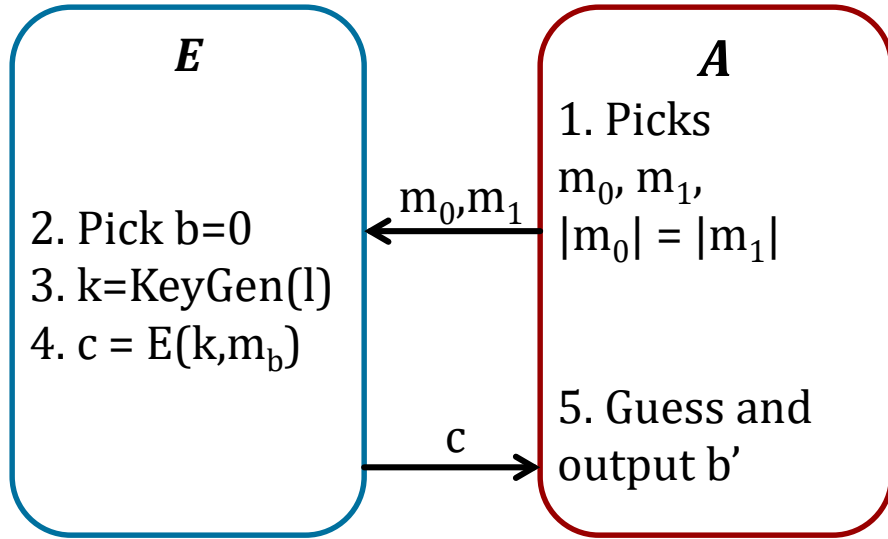
$A$  guesses.  $W_b := [ \text{event that } A(W_b) = 1 ]$ . So

$W_0 = .25$ , and  $W_1 = .75$

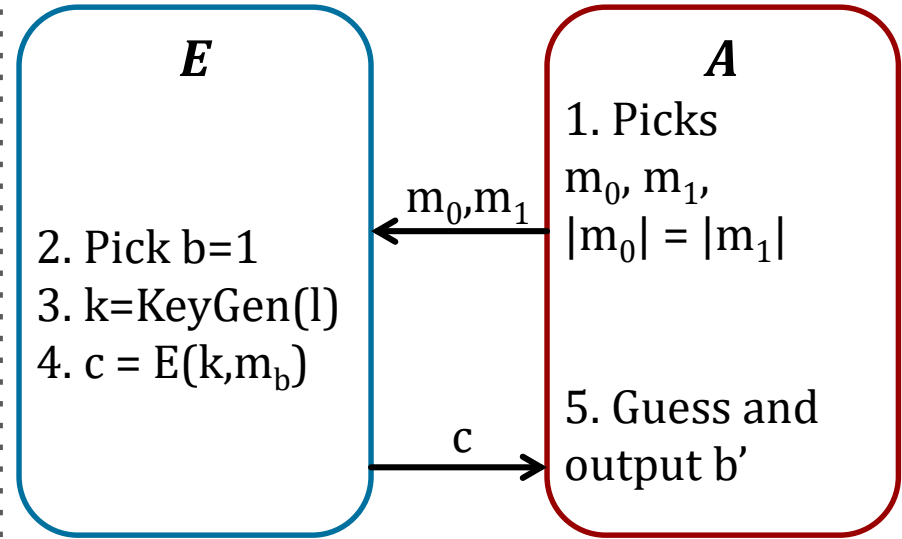
$\text{Adv}_{SS}[A, E] := | .25 - .75 | = .5$

# Example 1: $A$ is right 25% of time

World 0



World 1



$A$  guesses.  $W_b := [ \text{event that } A(W_b) = 1 ]$ . So

$W_0 = .75$ , and  $W_1 = .25$

$\text{Adv}_{\text{SS}}[A, E] := | .75 - .25 | = .5$

Note for  $W_0$ ,  $A$  is wrong more often than right.  $A$  should switch guesses.

# Semantic Security

Given:

For  $b=0,1$ :  $W_b := [ \text{event that } A(W_b) = 1 ]$

$\text{Adv}_{\text{SS}}[A, E] := | \text{Pr}[ W_0 ] - \text{Pr}[ W_1 ] | \in [0,1]$

Defn:

$E$  is *semantically secure* if for all efficient  $A$ :

$\text{Adv}_{\text{SS}}[A, E]$  is negligible.

$\Rightarrow$  for all explicit  $m_0, m_1 \in M$  :  
 $\{ E(k, m_0) \} \approx_p \{ E(k, m_1) \}$

This is what it means to be secure against eavesdroppers. No partial information is leaked

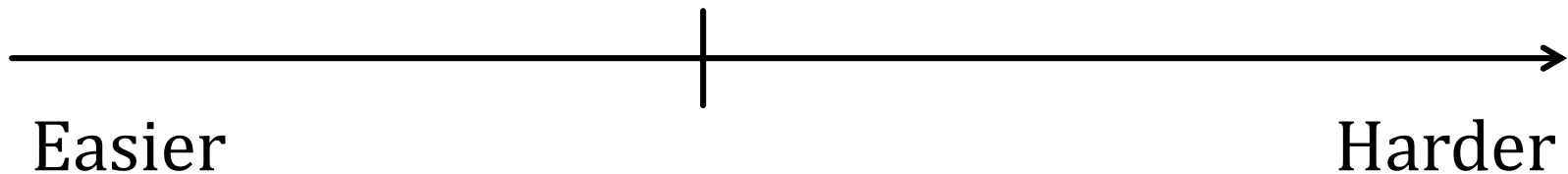


Something we believe  
is hard, e.g., factoring

Something we want  
to show is hard.

Problem  
*A*

Problem  
*B*

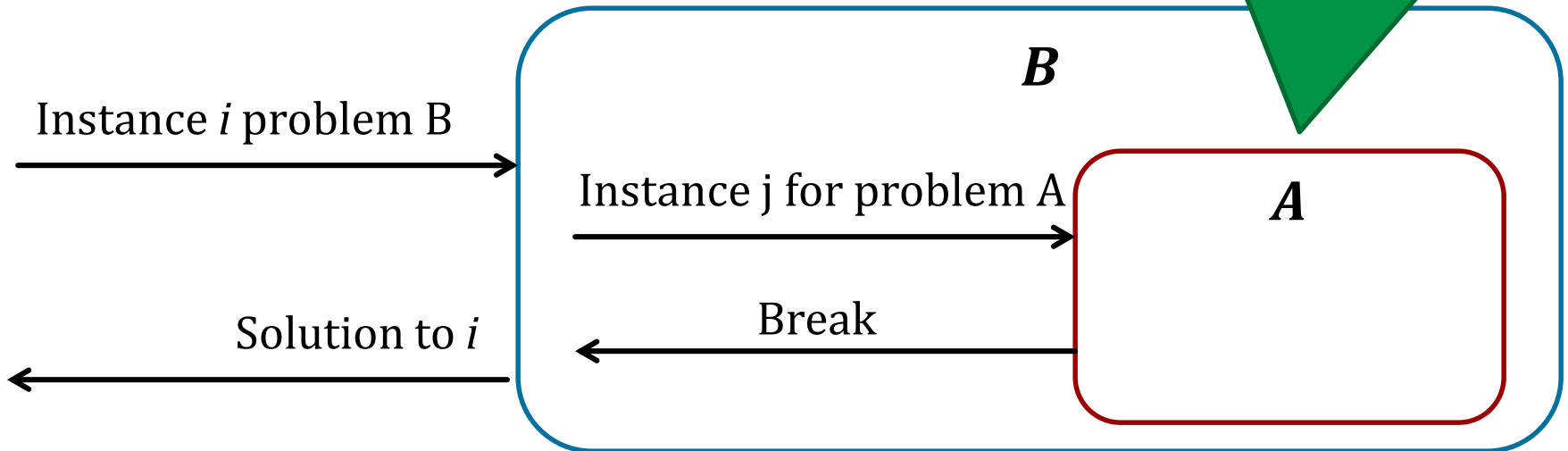


# Proving Security

# Security Reductions

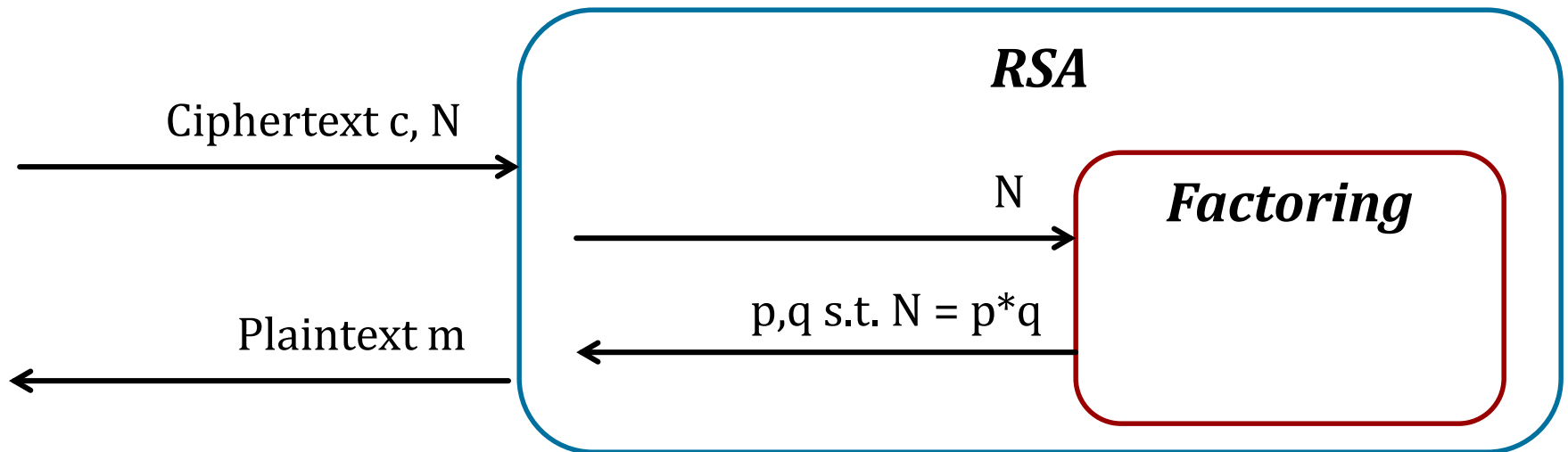
Reduction: Problem  $A$  is at least as hard as  $B$  if an algorithm for solving  $A$  efficiently (if it existed) could also be used as a subroutine to solve problem  $B$  efficiently.

Crux: We don't believe  $A$  exists, so  $B$  must be secure  
(contra-positive proof technique)



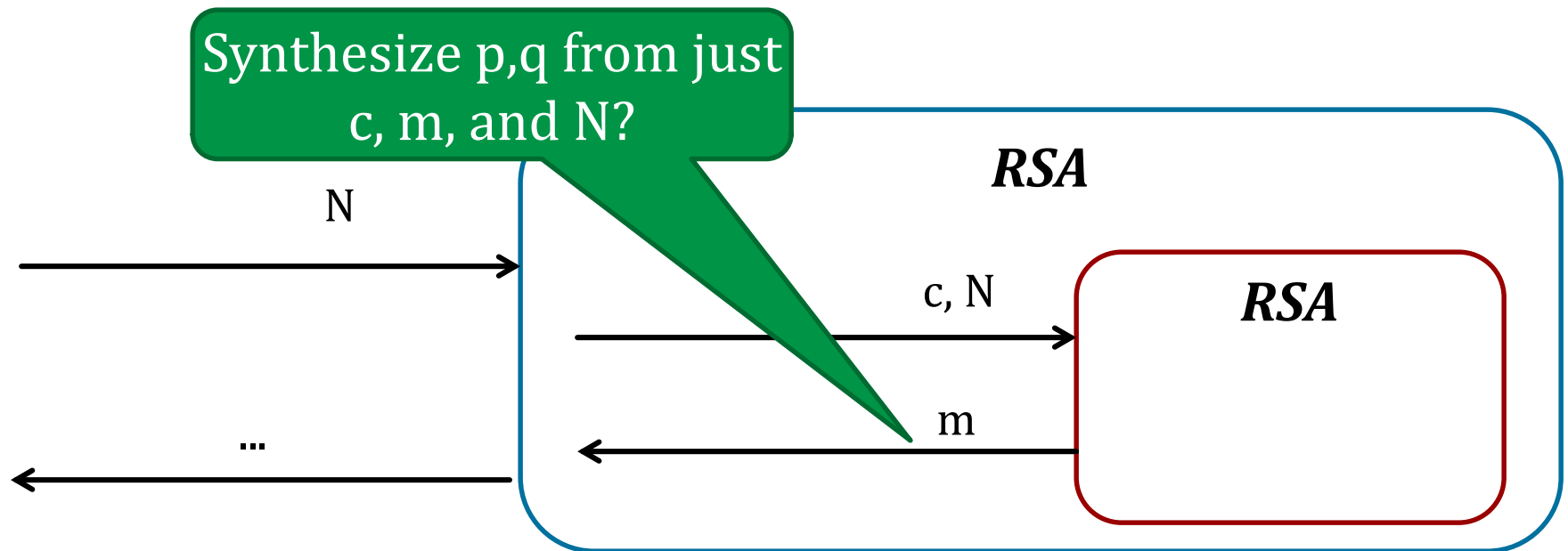
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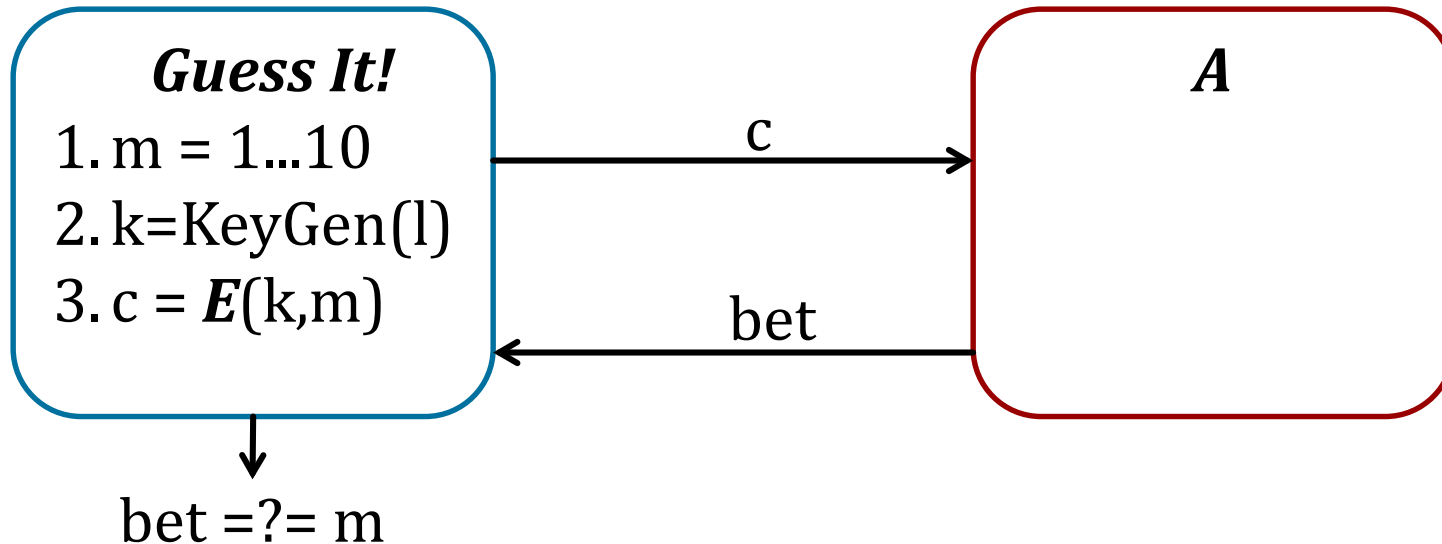


# What's unknown...

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# Games and Reductions



Suppose  $A$  is in a guessing game. Guess It! uses  $E$  to encrypt. How can we prove, in this setting, that  $E$  is secure?

**Reduction:** If  $A$  does better than 1/10, we break  $E$  in the semantic security game. Showing security of  $E$  reduces to showing if  $A$  exists, it could break the semantic security game. (Equivalently, if  $E$  is semantically secure, then the probability  $A$  wins is at most 10%.)

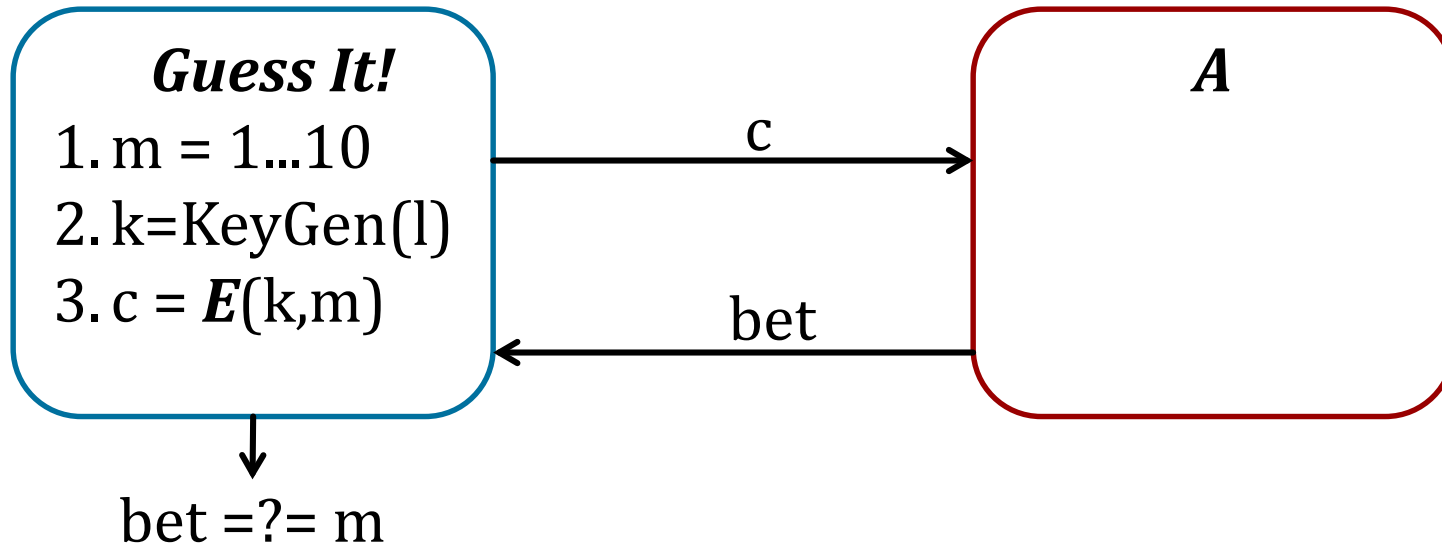
Note: The "type" of  $A$  is  $A: c \rightarrow \text{bet}$

# Idea

Reduction: We build an adversary  $B$  that uses  $A$  as a subroutine. Our adversary  $B$  has the property if  $A$  wins at Guess It! with probability significantly greater than 10%,  $B$  will have a non-negligible advantage in our semantic security game.

- If  $E$  secure, Guess It! is secure.
- Equivalently, if Guess It! insecure,  $E$  is insecure

# The Real Version

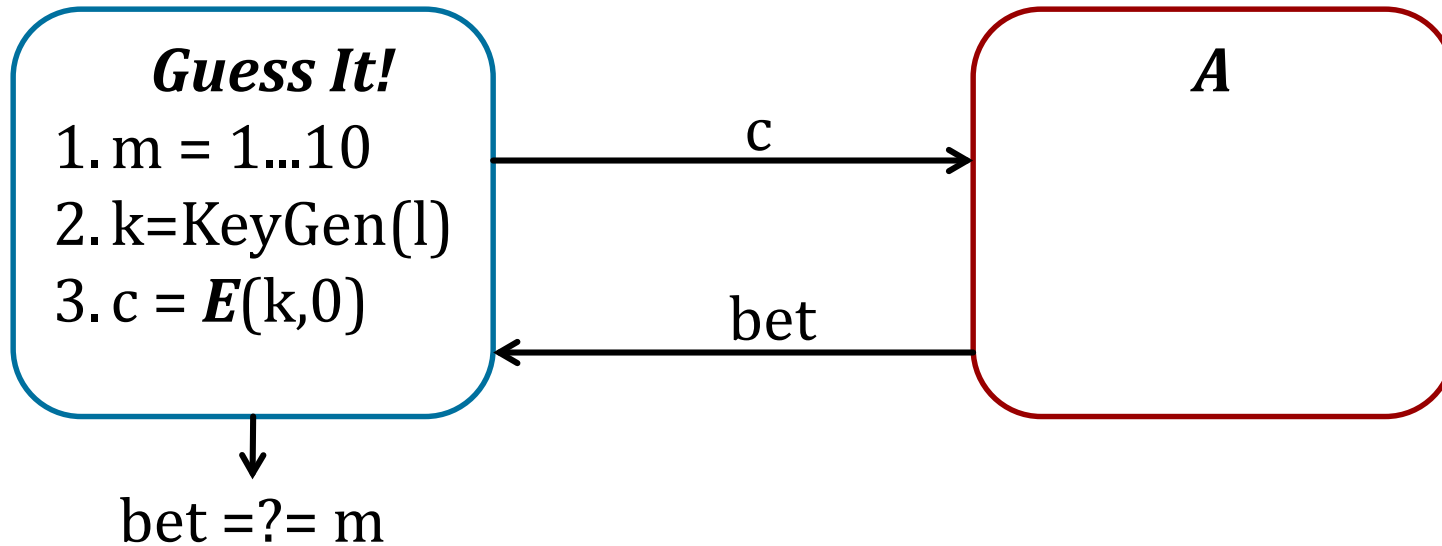


In the real version, **A** always gets an encryption of the real message.

–  $\Pr[A \text{ wins in } \underline{\text{real}} \text{ version}] = p_0$



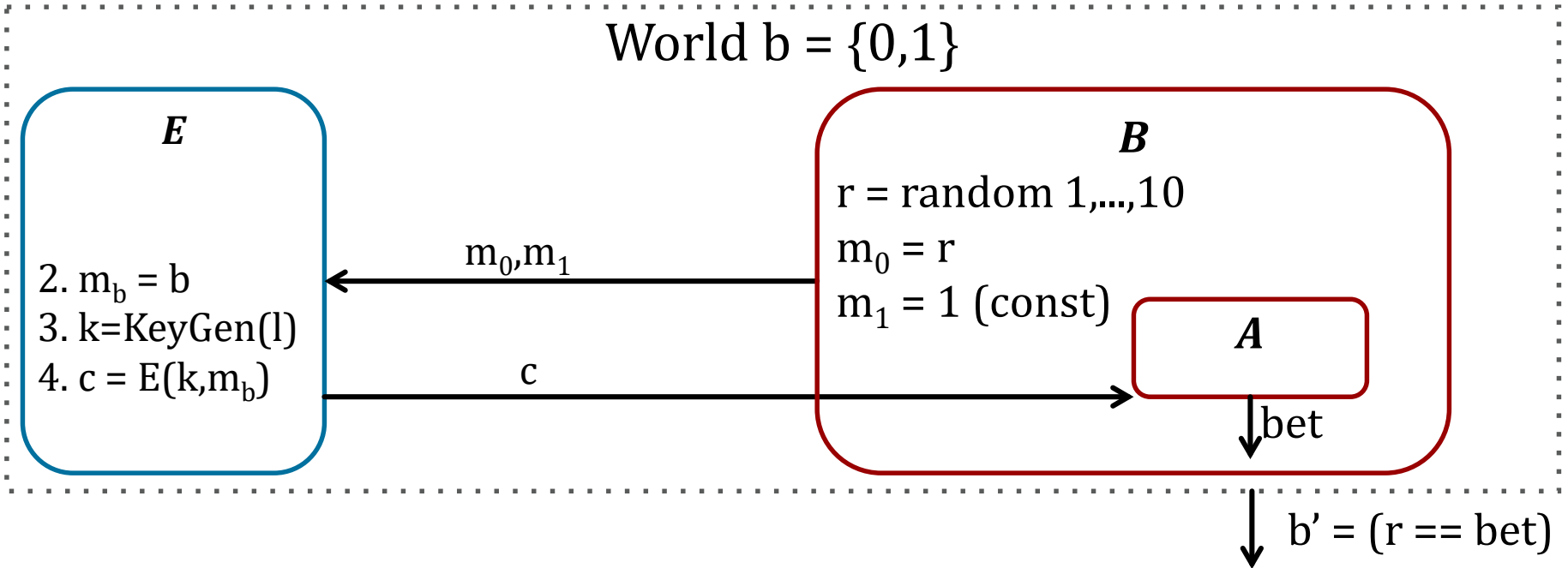
# Idealized Version



In the ideal version, **A** always gets an encryption of a constant, say 1. (A still only wins if it gets  $m$  correct.)

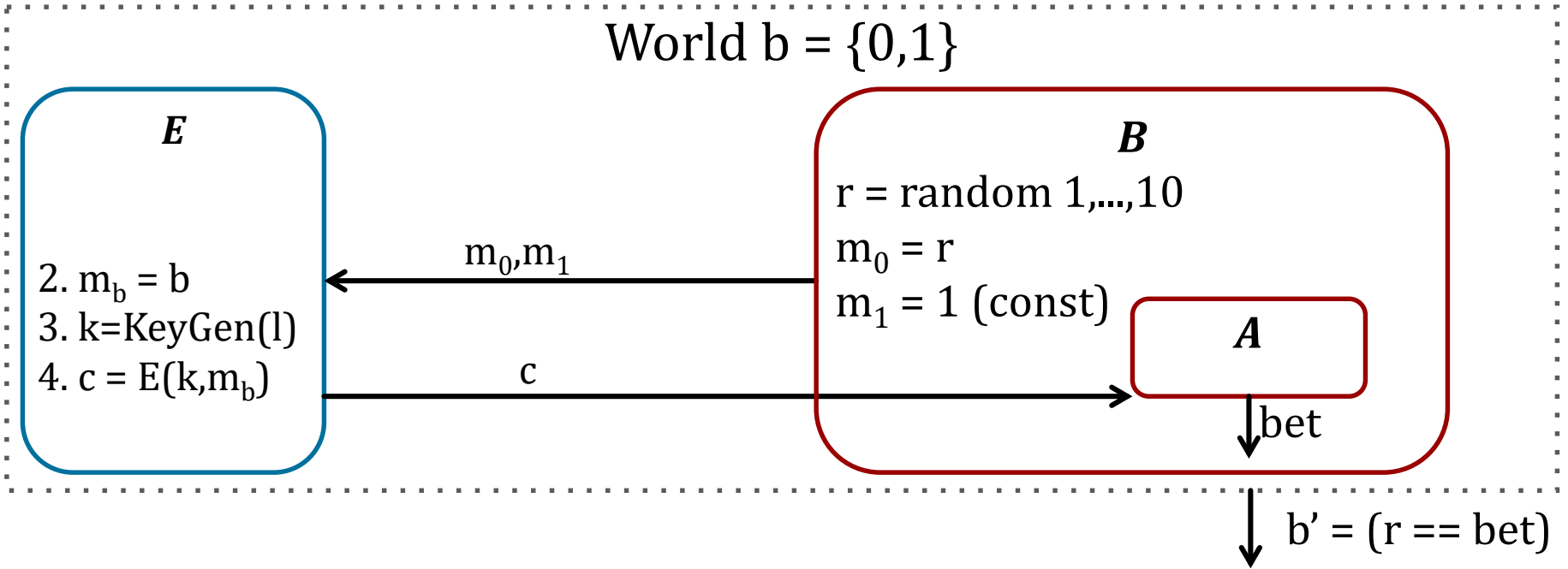
–  $\Pr[\text{A wins in Idealized Version}] = p_1 = 1/10$

# Reduction



- If  $B$  is in world 0, then  $\Pr[b' = 1] = p_0$ 
  - $B$  can guess  $r == \text{bet}$  with prob.  $p_0$ .
- If  $B$  is in world 1, then  $\Pr[b' = 1] = p_1 = 1/10$
- For  $b=0,1$ :  $W_b := [ \text{event that } \mathbf{B}(W_b) = 1 ]$   
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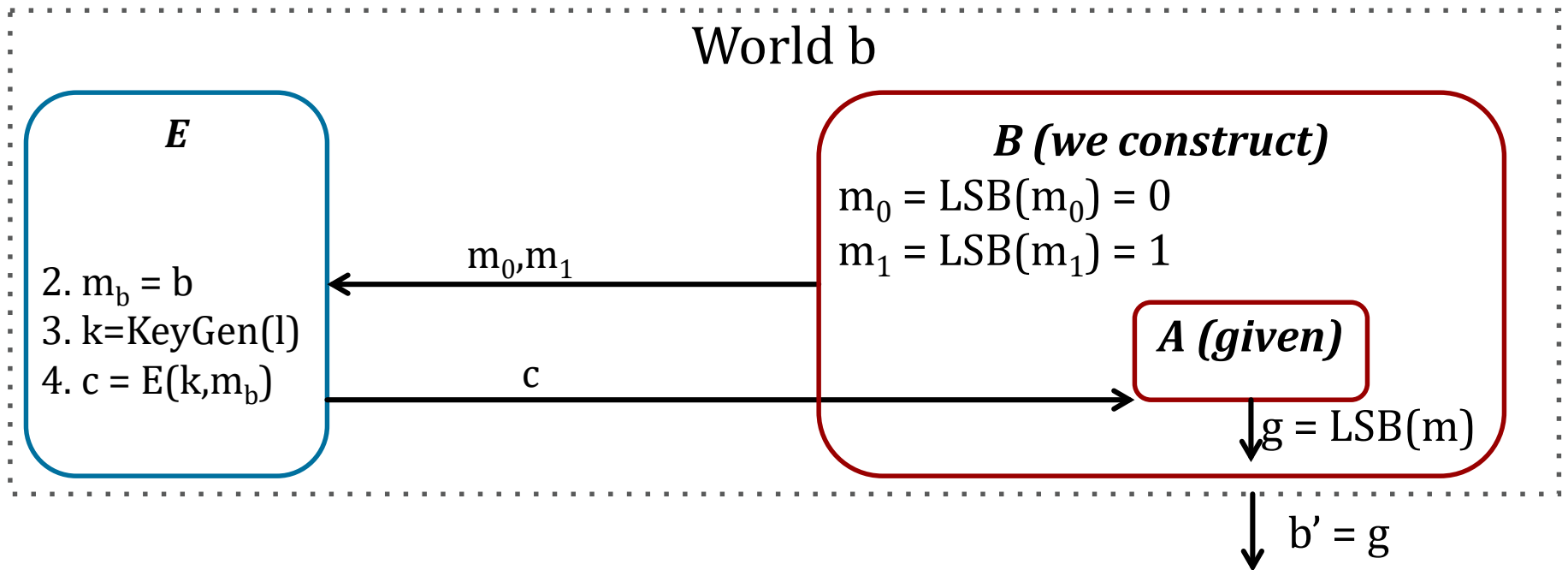
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 $= | p_0 - p_1 |$

Suppose 33%  
correct

33% - 10% = 23%  
Advantage

# Reduction Example 2

Suppose efficient  $A$  can always deduce LSB of PT from CT. Then  $E = (E,D)$  is not semantically secure.



$$\text{Adv}_{\text{SS}}[\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{E}] = | \Pr[ W_0 ] - \Pr[ W_1 ] | = | 0 - 1 | = 1$$



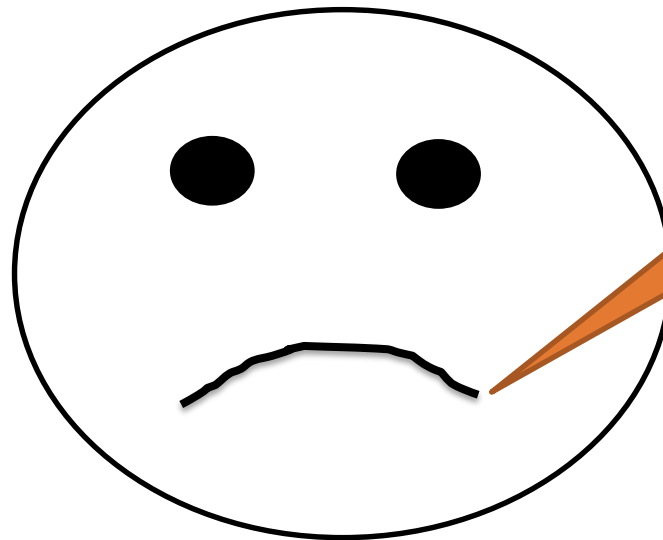
**Questions?**



Thought

# The “Bad News” Theorem

Theorem: Perfect secrecy requires  $|K| \geq |M|$



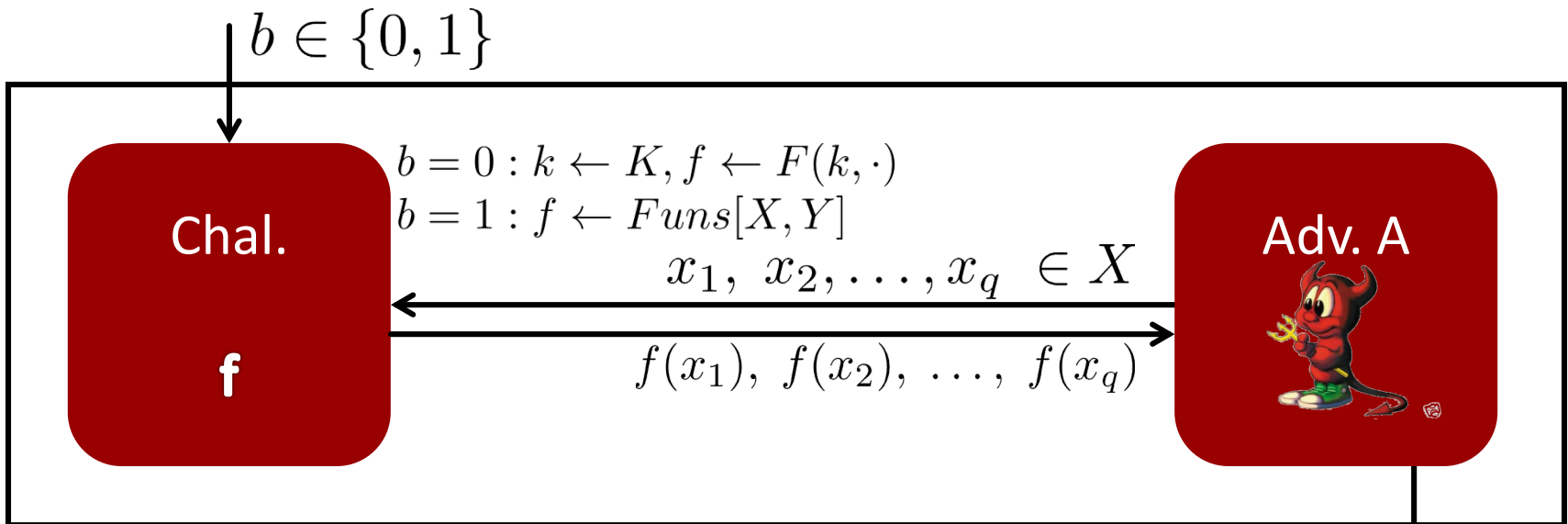
And what about integrity and authenticity?

In practice, we usually shoot for computational security.



# Secure PRF: Definition

- For  $b = 0, 1$  define experiment  $EXP(b)$  as:



- Def:  $F$  is a secure PRF if for all “efficient”  $A$ :

$$Adv_{PRF}[A, F] := |Pr[EXP(0) = 1] - Pr[EXP(1) = 1]|$$

is “negligible”.

# Quiz

Let  $F : K \times X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{128}$  be a secure PRF.

Is the following  $G$  a secure PRF?

$$G(k, x) = \begin{cases} 0^{128} & \text{if } x = 0 \\ F(k, x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- No, it is easy to distinguish  $G$  from a random function
- Yes, an attack on  $G$  would also break  $F$
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# Secure PRPs (secure block cipher)

- Let  $E : K \times X \rightarrow Y$  be a PRP( $X = Y$ )

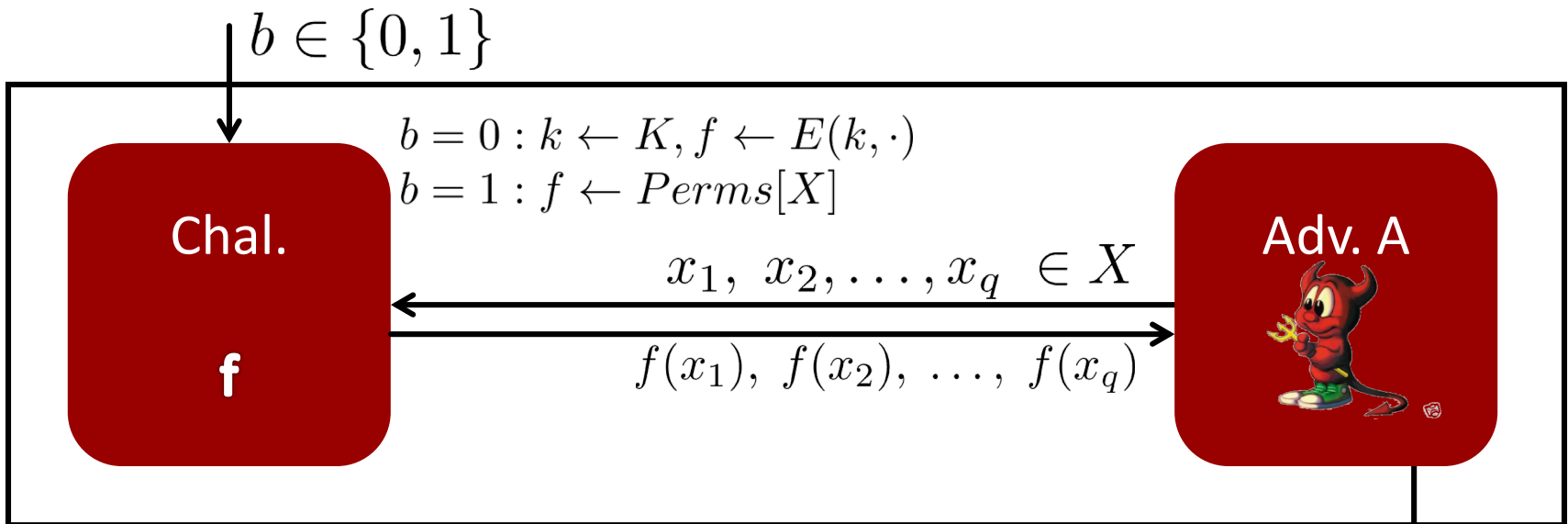
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Perms}[X] : \text{the set of all } \underline{\text{one-to-one}} \text{ functions from } X \text{ to } Y \\ S_F = \{E(k, \cdot) \text{ s.t. } k \in K\} \subseteq \text{Perms}[X] \end{array} \right.$$

- Intuition: a PRP is **secure** if

A random function in  $\text{Perms}[X]$  is indistinguishable from a random function in  $S_F$

# Secure PRP: (secure block cipher)

- For  $b = 0, 1$  define experiment  $\text{EXP}(b)$  as:



- Def:  $E$  is a secure PRP if for all “efficient”  $A$ :

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{PRP}}[A, E] := |\Pr[\text{EXP}(0) = 1] - \Pr[\text{EXP}(1) = 1]|$$

is “negligible”.

# Modern Notions: Indistinguishability and Semantic Security