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# Cryptography

## Lecture 8

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# How to Construct CPA-Secure Encryption

- Recall that PRG+OTP encryption allowed us to encrypt long messages.
- But, it still revealed if same message was encrypted many times.

## Key Idea

What if encryption (and decryption) could generate a different OTP for each ciphertext?

Note: We need to produce enough OTP's for as many encryptions as  $\mathcal{A}$  wants. So, can't just pre-generate them all.

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## Why Is This Secure?

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- Observe that this is exactly PRF+OTP with  $F_k$  replaced by  $f$
  - This encryption is not efficient as we cannot evaluate a random function
  - But, it is useful as a “thought experiment” in the proof as it gives us a target for security

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- Use this to construct  $\mathcal{A}_r$  that breaks PRF security of  $F_k$

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Contradiction!

To prove security from a PRF, we often do the following:

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