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Idea: You choose the messages to be encrypted

### **CPA** and deterministic ciphers

Claim - No deterministic cipher is CPA secure

Intuition: It leaks that two identical ciphertexts encode the same message

#### **Proof Idea**

We iterate the game of semantic security but we use the same key

- Adversary queries i pairs  $(m_{i0}, m_{i1})$
- · Challenger picks a message and returns the encryption
- · The adversary must't be able to distinguish which ciphertext was encrypted

#### Attack

- ullet Let the adversary query (m,m) o c and (m,m')
- if at the 2nd query he gets c back then m was encrypted, otherwise it was m'

# **Deterministic CPA security**

But what if we never repeat a message?

- same Idea but the (k, m) pairs must not repeat
- Therefore the attacker cannot querry (m,m) under the same key
- Uses
  - In a database with a unique UID
  - ullet Encrypting keys o very low probability to repeat

### **CPA** security

#### Task

- · Make ciphers CPA secure
- ullet Let E,D be the encryption and decryption algorithms

#### Stateful encryption

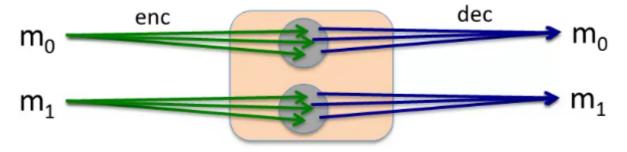
Encryption/decryption can be stateful, meaning that every call to E or D willactually modify the value of k.

#### Randomized encryption

# Randomized encryption

Each time a plaintext is encrypted, the E algorithm chooses fresh, independent randomness specifc to that encryption.

 The main challenge in designing a randomized encryption method is to incorporate randomness into each ciphertext in such a way that decryption is still possible.



• Every encryption goes to 1 different point in the "ball" each time

#### Ex:

- ullet  $F:K imes R\longrightarrow M$  be a secure PRF
- $E(k,m)=(r,F(k,r)\oplus m)$  for a random  $r\in R$

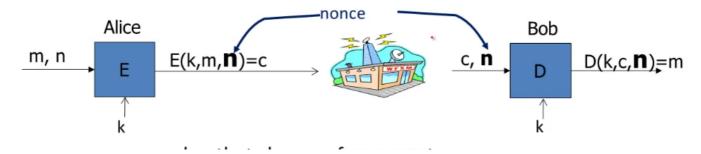
# Mode of operation example:

CBC mode

### Nonce-based encryption

We have 3 inputs E(k,m,n)

- A "nonce" stands for "number used only once"
  - $\, \circ \,$  and it refers to an extra argument that is passed to the E and D algorithms
  - A nonce does not need to be chosen randomly;
  - it does not need to be secret;
  - ullet the pair k,n must be different for every message



# Ex:

- Counter mode
  - Start pick a starting number then increment it for each message
  - You can send the nonce along the message
  - The parties can keep the counter