

Authenticated Encryption

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Authenticated Encryption (AE)

- Everything demonstrated so far provides
 - either integrity
 - or confidentiality (security against eavesdropping)
- CPA security does not provide secrecy against active attacks (where an attacker can tamper with ciphertext)
 - ➔ If you require integrity → **MAC**
 - ➔ If you require integrity and confidentiality → **AE**

AE: Desired properties

- An authenticated encryption system $\zeta = (E, D)$ is a cipher where

as usual $E : K \times M \times N \rightarrow C$

but $D : K \times C \times N \rightarrow M \cup \{\perp\}$ $\perp \notin M$

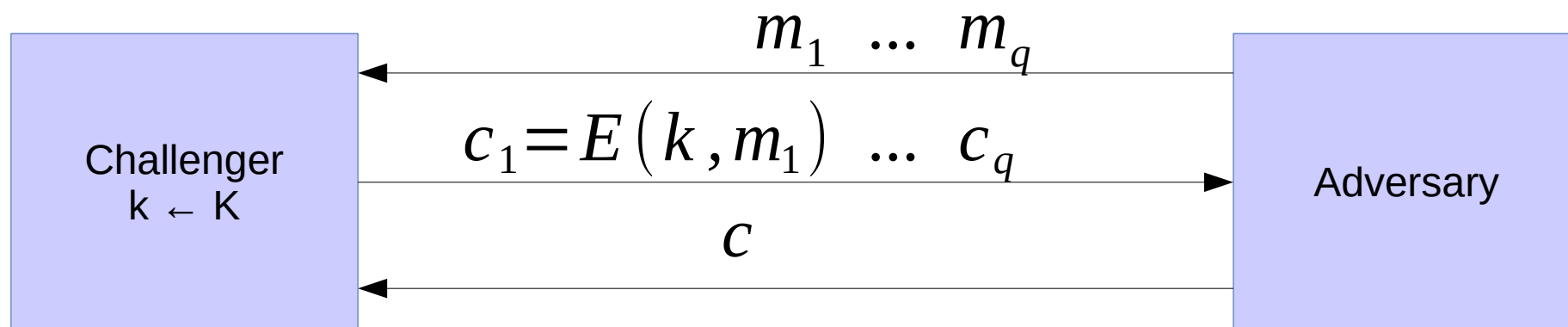
Nonce

CT is invalid
(rejected)

- Security: the system must provide
 - **semantic security under CPA**, and
 - **ciphertext integrity**
 - an adversary cannot create a new valid CT (such that would decrypt properly)

Ciphertext integrity (def)

Let $\zeta = (E, D)$ be a cipher with message space M



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

$b = 1$ if $D(k, c) \neq \perp$ and $c \notin \{c_1 \dots c_q\}$

$b = 0$ otherwise

Def: $\zeta = (E, D)$ has **ciphertext integrity** if for all “efficient” adversaries A : $\text{Adv}_{\text{CI}}[A, \zeta]$ is “negligible”.

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{CI}}[A, \zeta] = \Pr [\text{Chal. outputs } 1]$$

Authenticated Encryption

- Def: A cipher $\xi = (E, D)$ **provides authenticated encryption (AE)** if it is
 - 1) semantically secure under CPA, and
 - 2) has ciphertext integrity.
- Do the following ciphers provide AE:
 - AES-CBC,
 - AES-CTR,
 - RC4?
- Why?

Authenticated Encryption

- Implication 1: Authenticity



- An attacker cannot create a new valid $c \notin \{c_1 \dots c_q\}$
- If message decrypts properly ($D(k, c) \neq \perp$), it must have come from someone who knows secret key k
 - But it could be a replay

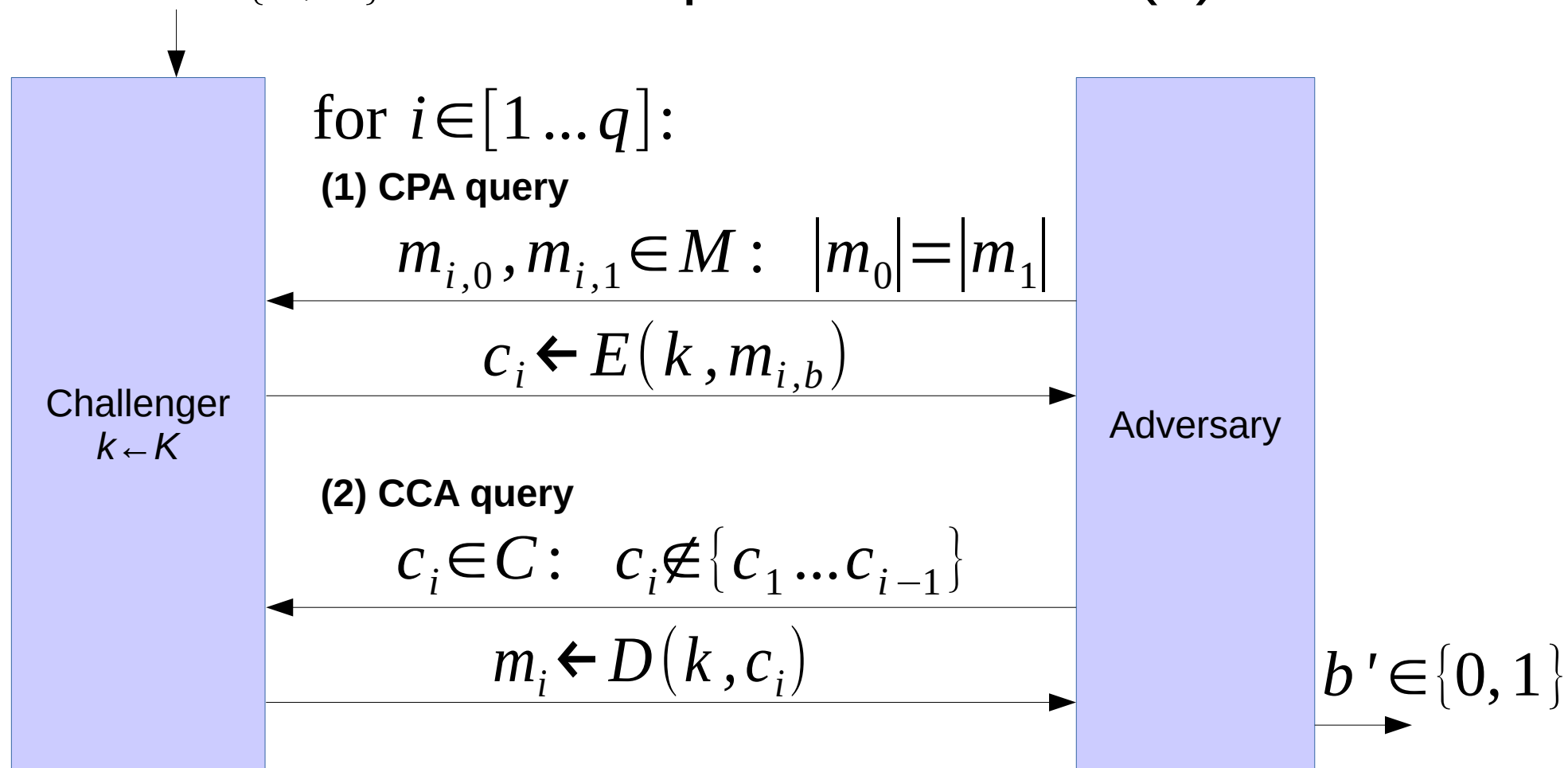
- Implication 2: Security against **chosen ciphertext attack (CCA)**

Chosen ciphertext security

- Adversary's power: **CPA** and **CCA**
 - Can encrypt any message of her choice
 - Can decrypt any message of her choice *other than some challenge*
 - (still conservative modeling of real life)
- Adversary's goal: **break semantic security**
 - Learn about the PT from the CT

Chosen ciphertext security (def)

- Let $\zeta = (E, D)$ be a cipher defined over (K, M, C)
- For $b \in \{0, 1\}$ define experiments $\text{EXP}(b)$ as

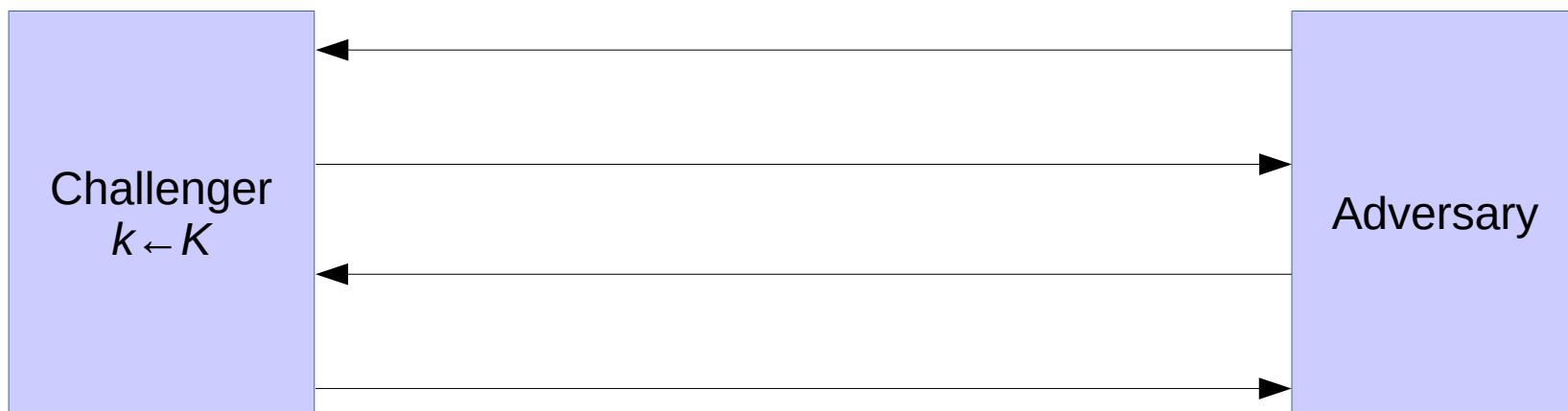


Chosen ciphertext security (def)

- Def. Cipher $\xi = (E, D)$ is CCA secure if for all efficient adversaries $A\text{Adv}_{\text{CCA}}[A, \xi]$ is negligible.
$$\text{Adv}_{\text{CCA}}[A, \xi] := |\Pr[\text{EXP}(0) = 1] - \Pr[\text{EXP}(1) = 1]|$$
- Thm. A cipher that provides AE is also CCA secure.
- Implication. AE provides confidentiality against an active adversary that can decrypt some ciphertexts.
- Limitations
 - AE does not prevent replay attacks
 - Does not account for side channels attacks (timing)

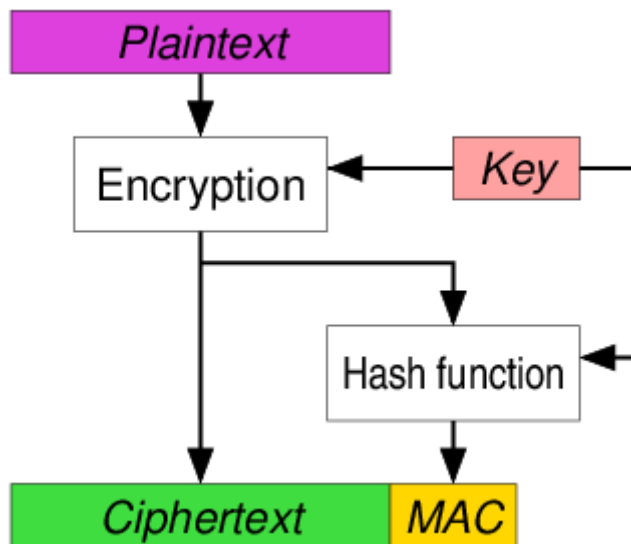
Ex: AES-CTR is not CCA secure

- Recall
 - AES-CTR is effectively a stream cipher
 - Malleability of stream ciphers



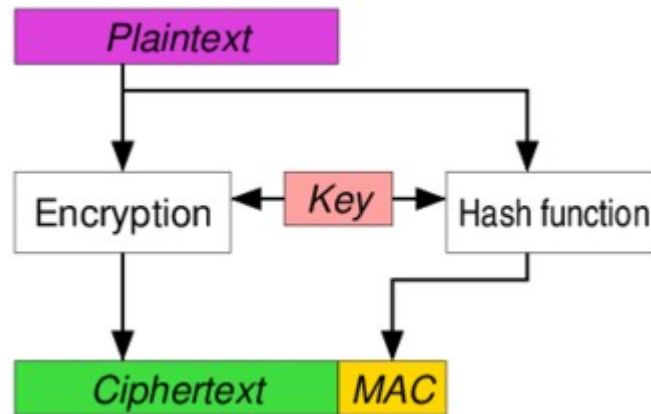
Encrypt then MAC

- MAC computed over cipher text
- Used in IPsec, always provides AE
 - Use separate and independent keys



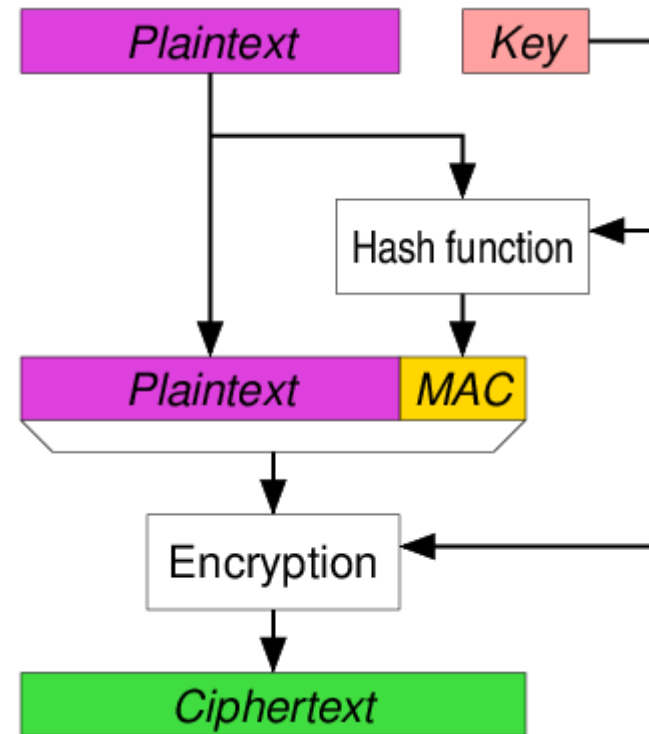
Encrypt and MAC

- MAC computed over plain text and sent unencrypted
- Used in SSH
- Use separate and independent keys



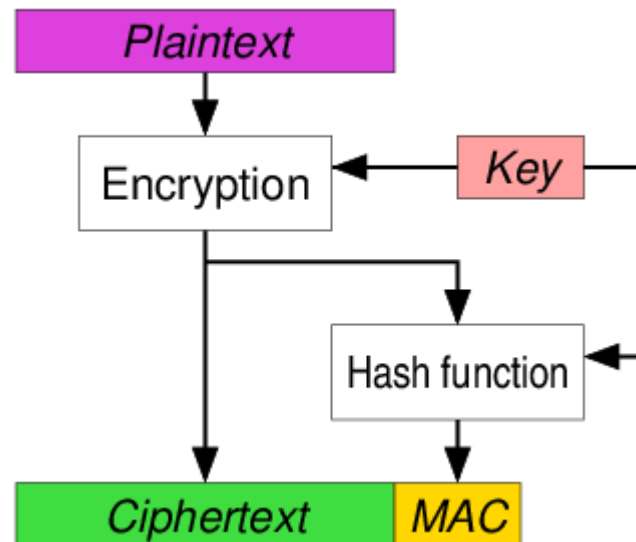
MAC then encrypt

- MAC computed over plain text and then encrypted before sending
- Used in TLS/SSL
- Use separate and independent keys

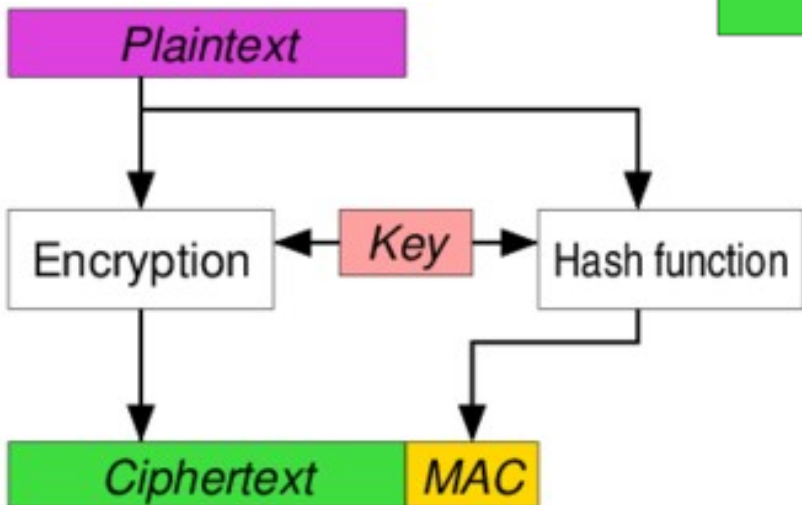


Three AE approaches

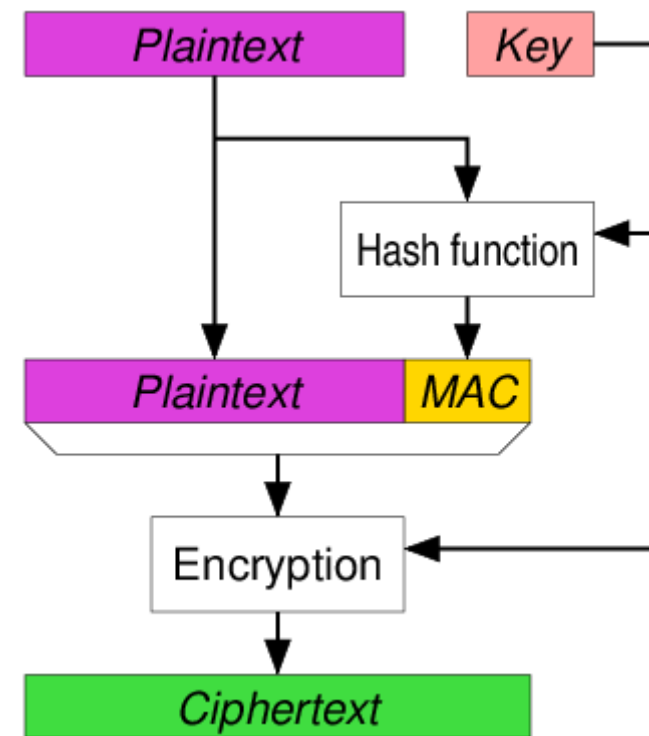
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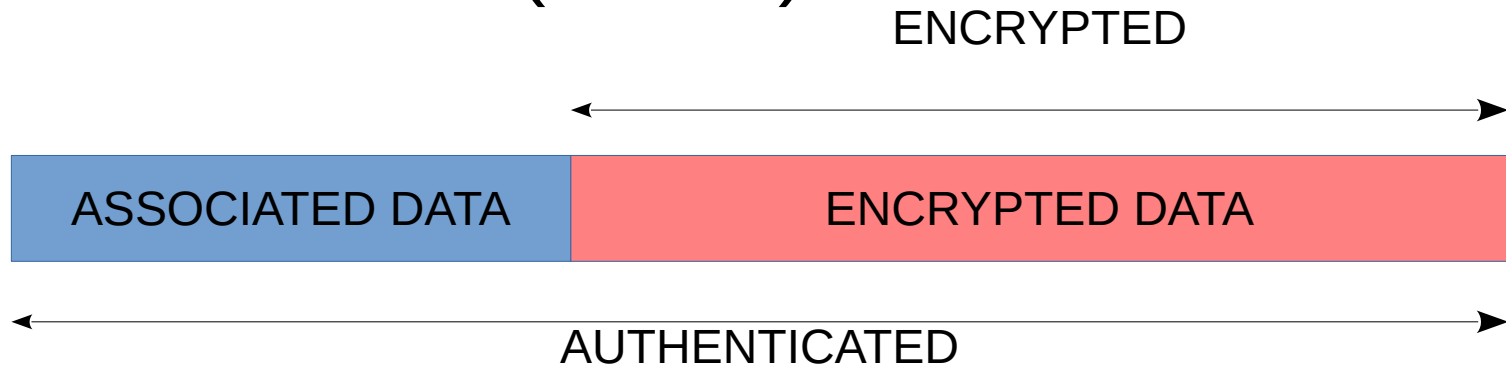


MAC then encrypt



AE: Standardized solutions

- Galois/Counter Mode (GCM)
 - CTR mode encryption then CW-MAC
 - Made popular by Intel's PCLMULQDQ instruction
- CBC-MAC then CTR mode encryption (CCM)
- EAX
- All support ***authenticated encryption with associated data (AEAD)***



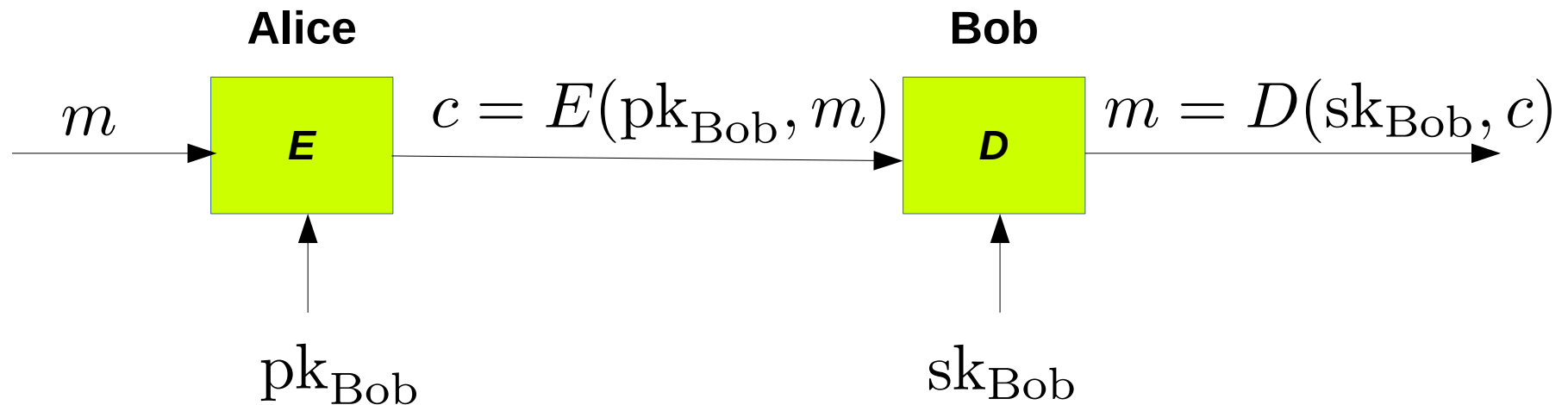
Public key encryption

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Public key encryption

- Each party uses a key pair: $k = (\text{pk}, \text{sk})$
- Public key is given to everyone, secret is kept hidden



Public key encryption: usage

- Communication session set-up
 - A process where Alice and Bob agree upon a shared secret
- Non-interactive applications
 - E.g. email
 - Typically, PKs are long-lived, symmetric keys are ephemeral
 - (But the sender needs to know recipient's PK in advance – need PKI)

Public key encryption: def

Def. A public-key encryption system is triple of algs. (G, E, D)

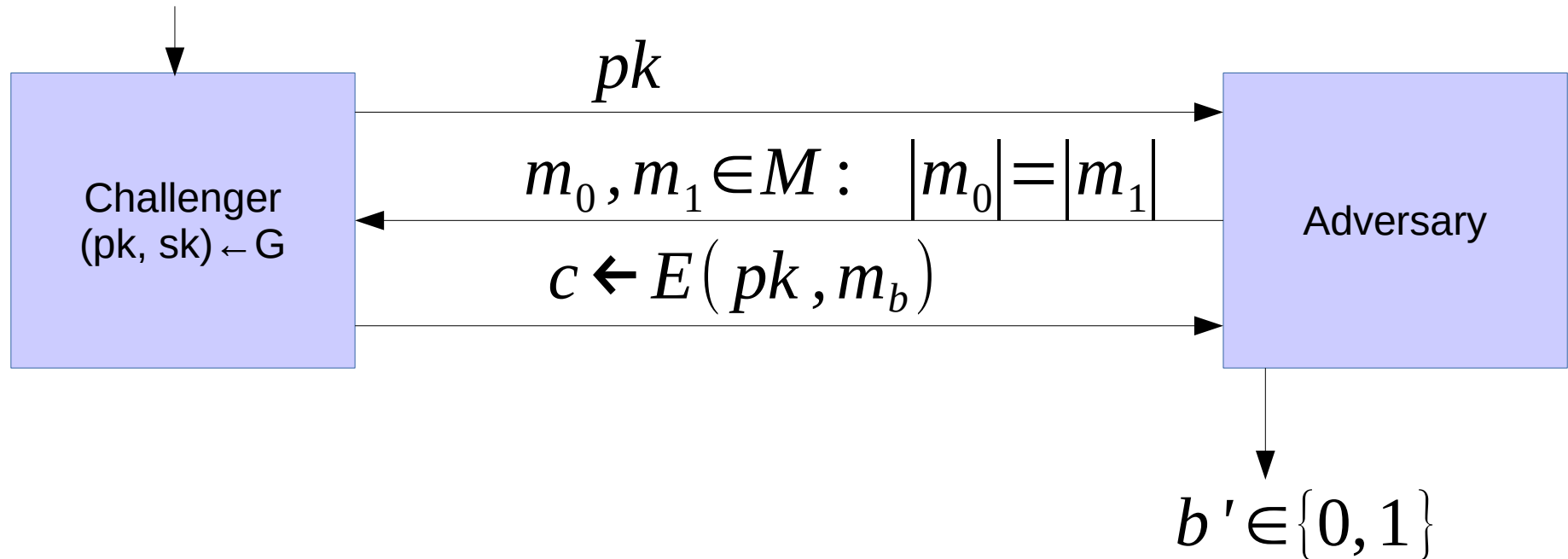
- $G()$ rand. alg. generates key pairs (pk, sk)
- $E(pk, m)$ rand. alg. takes $m \in M$ and returns $c \in C$
- $D(sk, c)$ det. alg. takes $c \in C$ and returns $m \in M$ or \perp

such that $\forall (pk, sk)$ output by G :

$$\forall m \in M : D(sk, E(pk, m)) = m$$

Semantic security (def)

Let $\zeta = (G, E, D)$ be a public key encryption system.
For $b \in \{0, 1\}$ define experiments $\text{EXP}(0)$, $\text{EXP}(1)$



Def: $\zeta = (G, E, D)$ is **semantically secure** (aka IND-CPA) if for all eff. adversaries A : $\text{Adv}_{\text{ss}}[A, \zeta]$ is negligible.

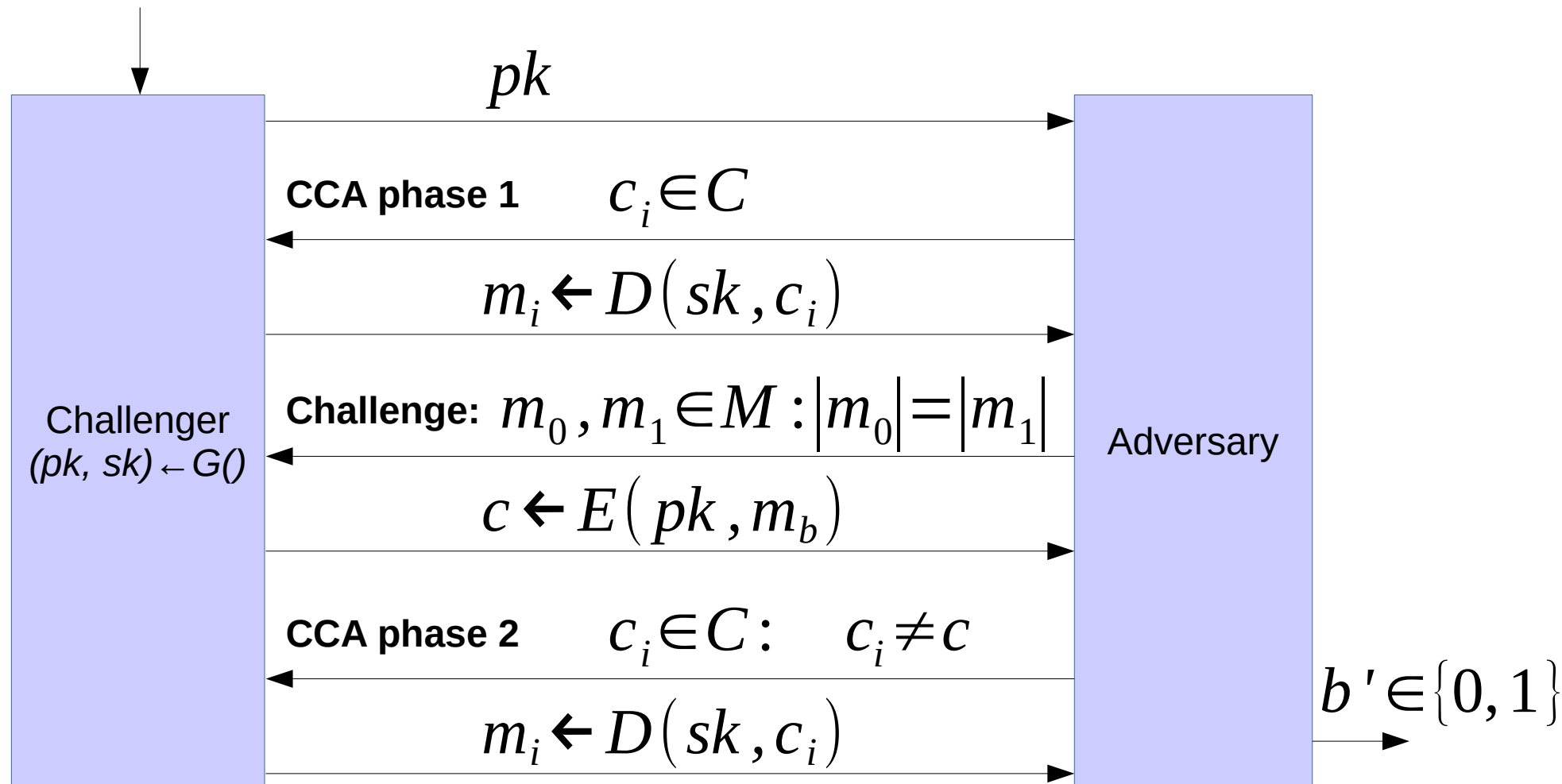
$$\text{Adv}_{\text{ss}}[A, \zeta] := |\Pr[\text{EXP}(0) = 1] - \Pr[\text{EXP}(1) = 1]|$$

Relation to symmetric cipher security

- For symmetric ciphers, we had 2 security definitions
 - One-time security (key used only once) and many-time security (key used many times; CPA)
 - One-time security does not imply many-time security (OTP is broken if used more than once)
- Public key encryption
 - One-time security \rightarrow many-time security (CPA)
 - Because the adversary can encrypt herself (she knows pk)
 - Public key encryption **must be randomized**

(pub-key) Chosen Ciphertext Security (def)

$\zeta = (G, E, D)$ a pub-key enc. over (M, C) . For $b \in \{0, 1\}$ define experiments $\text{EXP}(b)$:



CCA security

- Def. $\zeta = (G, E, D)$ is CCA secure (aka. IND-CCA) if for all efficient adversaries A : $\text{Adv}_{\text{CCA}}[A, \zeta]$ is negligible.

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

- Recall: A secure symmetric cipher provides AE, when it has CPA security and ciphertext integrity
 - Attacker cannot create new ciphertexts (implies CCA security)
- In pub-key setting
 - Attacker knows $pk \rightarrow$ **can** create new ciphertexts
 - Instead: we directly require CCA security
- Next step: Constructing CCA secure pub-key encryption

Trapdoor function (TDF)

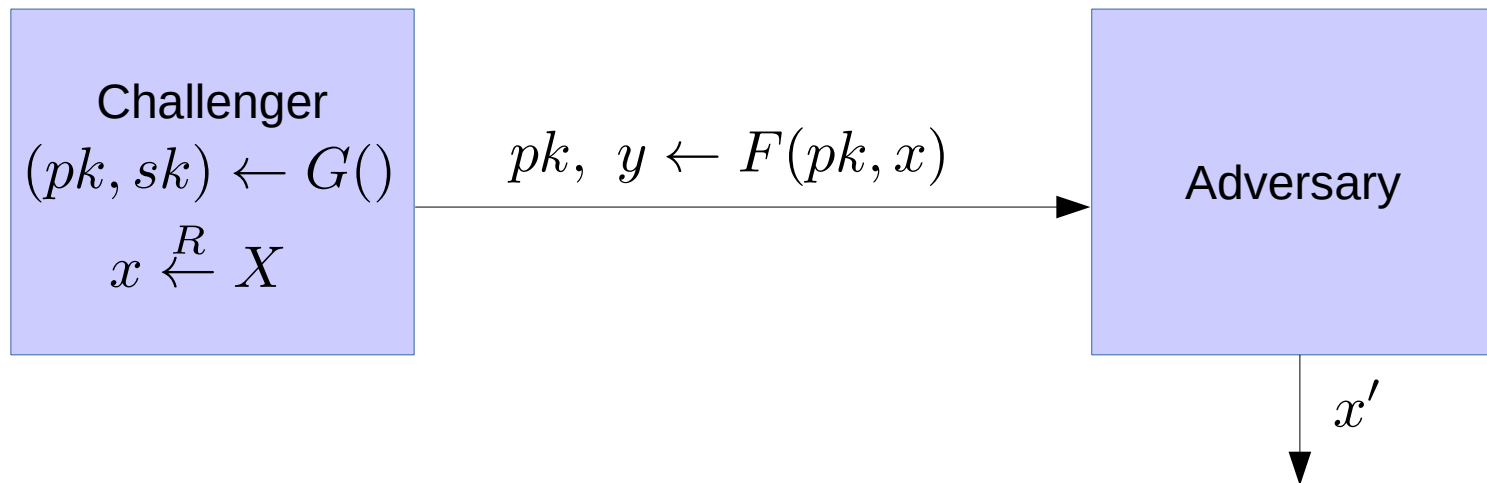
- **Def.** A trapdoor function $X \rightarrow Y$ is a triple of eff. algorithms (G, F, F^{-1})
 - **$G()$** : rand. alg. for creating (pk, sk)
 - **$F(pk, -)$** : det. alg. that defines $X \rightarrow Y$
 - **$F^{-1}(sk, -)$** : det. alg. that defines $Y \rightarrow X$
[inverts $F(pk, -)$]

For every (pk, sk) returned by **G**

$$F^{-1}[sk, F(pk, x)] = x$$

Secure TDFs

- TDF (G, F, F^{-1}) is secure if $F(pk, -)$ is *one-way*
 - It can be evaluated but not inverted without sk



- Def. (G, F, F^{-1}) is a secure TDF if for all eff. algs. A : $\text{Adv}_{\text{OW}}[A, F] := \Pr[x = x']$ is negligible.

Pub-key encryption from TDFs

(ISO 18033-2 standard)

- Building blocks
 - (G, F, F^{-1}) – secure TDF $X \rightarrow Y$
 - (E_s, D_s) – symmetric AE cipher over (K, M, C)
 - $H: X \rightarrow K$ – a hash function
- Pub-key enc. system **(G, E, D)**
 - Key generation **G**: same as **G** in TDF

E(pk, m):

$x \xleftarrow{R} X,$ $y \leftarrow F(pk, x)$
 $k \leftarrow H(x),$ $c \leftarrow E_s(k, m)$

return (y, c)

D(sk, (y, c)):

$x \leftarrow F^{-1}(sk, y)$
 $k \leftarrow H(x),$ $m \leftarrow D_s(k, c)$

return m

Pub-key encryption from TDFs

(ISO 18033-2 standard)

$$F(pk, x)$$

$$E_S(H(x), m)$$

Thm. If $(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{F}^{-1})$ is a secure TDF, if $(\mathbf{E}_S, \mathbf{D}_S)$ provides AE, and if $\mathbf{H}: \mathbf{X} \rightarrow \mathbf{K}$ is a “random oracle”, then $(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{D})$ is CCA^{ro} secure.

An incorrect use of TDF:

$$\mathbf{E}(pk, m) := \mathbf{F}(pk, m)$$

$$\mathbf{D}(sk, c) := \mathbf{F}^{-1}(sk, c)$$

Such construction results in a deterministic encryption scheme: cannot be semantically secure

Trapdoor permutation (TDP)

- TDP is a triple of eff. algorithms (G, F, F^{-1})
 - $G()$: generates (pk, sk) ; pk defines a function $X \rightarrow X$
 - $F(pk, x)$: evaluates the function at x
 - $F^{-1}(sk, y)$: inverts the function at y using sk

- **Secure TDP**

The function $F(pk, -)$ is one-way without the sk

Arithmetic modulo composites

Let $N = p \cdot q$ where p, q are primes

$$\mathbb{Z}_N = \{0, 1, \dots, N - 1\}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_N^* = \{\text{invertible elements in } \mathbb{Z}_N\}$$

Facts $x \in \mathbb{Z}_N$ is invertible $\iff \gcd(x, N) = 1$

$$|\mathbb{Z}_N^*| = \varphi(N) = (p - 1)(q - 1) = N - p - q + 1$$

Euler's theorem

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}_N^* : x^{\varphi(N)} = 1 \pmod{N}$$

RSA trapdoor permutation

- $G()$:
 - Choose random primes p, q (~ 1024 bits); $N = p \cdot q$
 - Choose integers e, d such that $e \cdot d = 1 \pmod{\varphi(N)}$
 - Return $pk = (N, e)$, $sk = (N, d)$
- $F(pk, x)$: $\mathbb{Z}_N^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_N^* : \text{RSA}(x) = x^e \pmod{N}$
- $F^{-1}(sk, y)$:
$$\begin{aligned} y^d &= \text{RSA}(x)^d && \pmod{N} \\ &= x^{ed} && \pmod{N} \\ &= x^{k \cdot \varphi(N) + 1} && \pmod{N} \\ &= (x^{\varphi(N)})^k \cdot x && \pmod{N} \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

RSA trapdoor permutation

RSA assumption: RSA is one-way permutation

For all eff. algs. A :

$$\Pr[A(N, e, y) = \sqrt[e]{y}] < \text{negligible}$$

$p, q \leftarrow n\text{-bit primes}$

$$N = p \cdot q$$

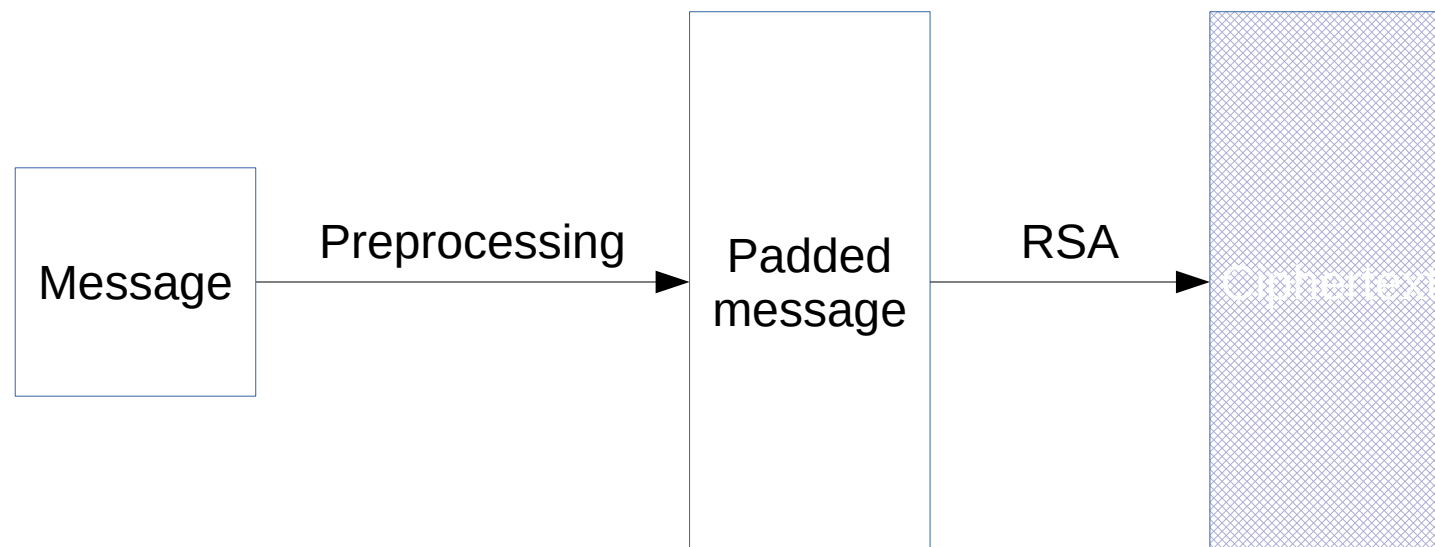
$$y \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}_N^*$$

Insecure “textbook” RSA

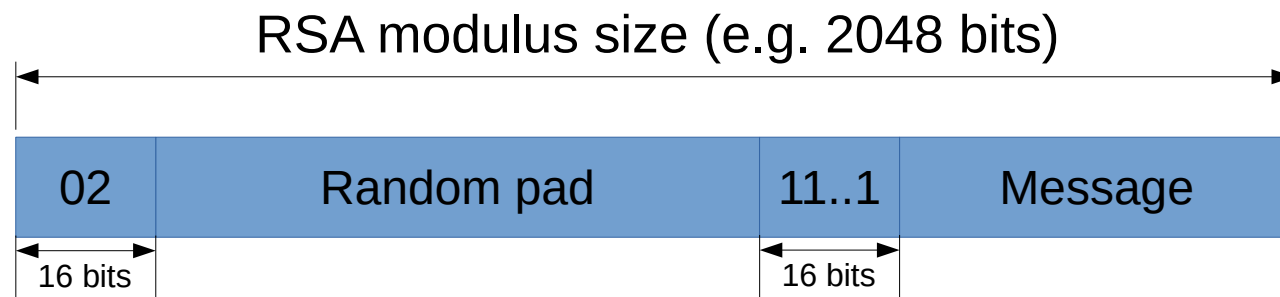
- Encrypting directly with RSA (“textbook” RSA) is insecure
 - $E((N, e), x) := x^e \bmod N$
 - $D((N, d), y) := y^d \bmod N$
- Problem 1: Ciphertext is **malleable**
 - Given ciphertext $c = E((N, e), m)$ an attacker can create $c' = c \cdot 2^e \bmod N$
 - The modified ciphertext c' decrypts to $2m \bmod N$
- Problem 2: Encryption is **deterministic**

RSA in practice

- RSA in practice (ISO standard rarely used)
 - Expand the message to the RSA modulus size and add random bits
 - Apply the RSA function



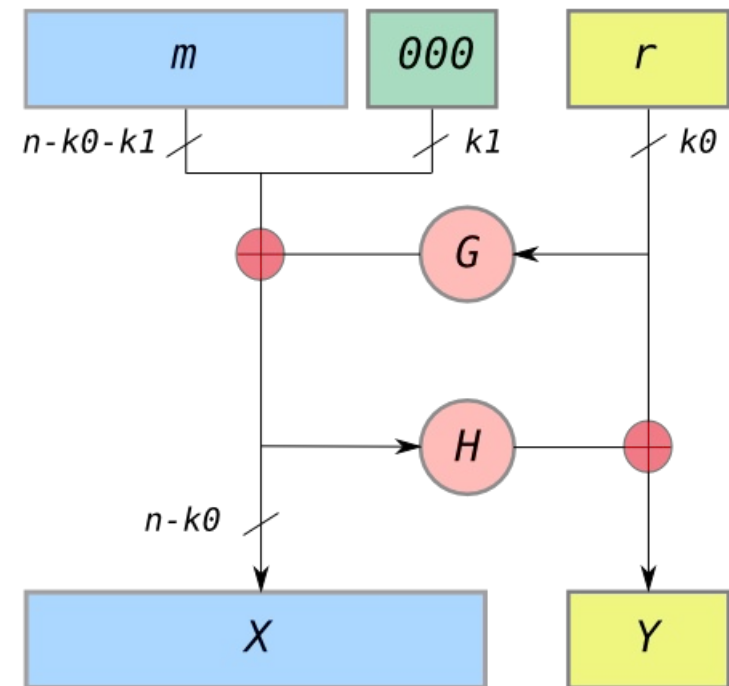
RSA in practice: PKCS1 v1.5



- Resulting value is RSA encrypted
- Widely deployed (HTTPS)
- Attack due to Bleichenbacher (1998)
 - During decryption, the system will signal an error if the decrypted plaintext does not start with 02
 - Enough to completely decrypt the ciphertext
- Solution in RFC 5246
 - set decrypted PT to a random value and *fail later on*
- Generally PKCS1 v1.5 padding should be avoided

RSA in practice: PKCS1: v2.0 (OAEP)

- New preprocessing function: **Optimal asymmetric encryption padding (OAEP)**
- Check pad on decryption
 - Reject CT if invalid
- **Thm.** If RSA is a TDP, then RSA-OAEP is CCA secure if H, G are *random oracles*.
 - In practice we use SHA-256 for H and G



RSA security (informally)

- To invert RSA one-way function, the attacker must extract x from $c = x^e \bmod N$
- How difficult is to compute e 'th root modulo N ?
Currently best known algorithm
 - Step 1: Factor N [difficult]
 - Step 2: Compute e 'th roots modulo p and q [easy]
- Shor's algorithm: a quantum algorithm for integer factorization in polynomial time
 - Unknown if quantum computers can be built

RSA security (informally)

- Security of public key system should be comparable to security of symmetric cipher

Cipher key size	RSA modulus size [in modulo primes]
80	1024
128	3072
256	15360