# Encrypted Davies-Meyer and Its Dual: Towards Optimal Security Using Mirror Theory

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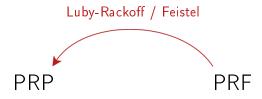
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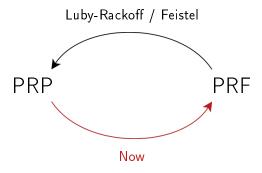
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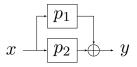


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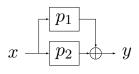
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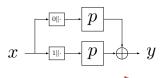
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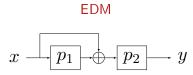


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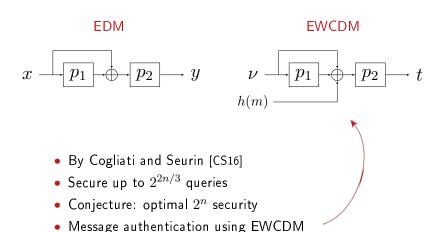
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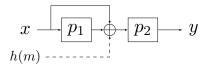


- By Cogliati and Seurin [CS16]
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- ullet Conjecture: optimal  $2^n$  security

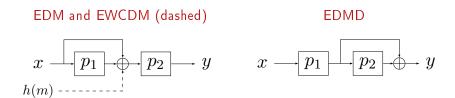
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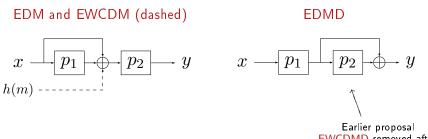
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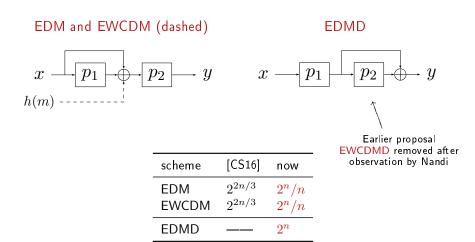
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Earlier proposal

EWCDMD removed after observation by Nandi



Backbone of analysis: mirror theory

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#### Goal

• Lower bound on the number of solutions to  $\mathcal P$  such that  $P_a \neq P_b$  for all distinct  $a,b \in \{1,\ldots,r\}$ 

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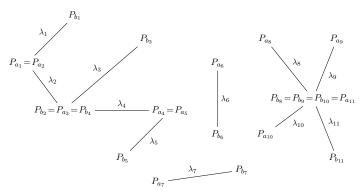
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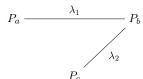
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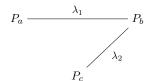
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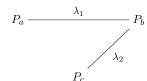


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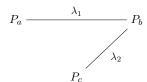
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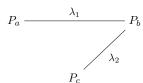
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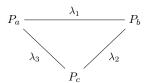
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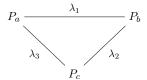
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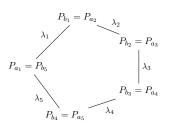
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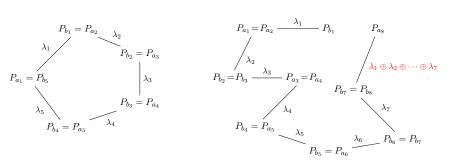
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## Mirror Theory: Two Problematic Cases

#### Circle



### Degeneracy



## Mirror Theory: Main Result

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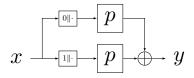
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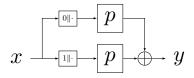
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provided the maximum tree size  $\xi$  satisfies  $(\xi-1)^2 \cdot r \leq 2^n/67$ 

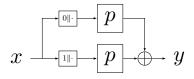


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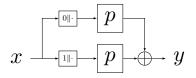
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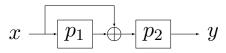
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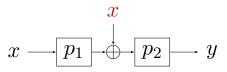
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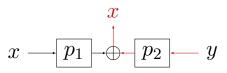
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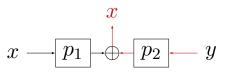


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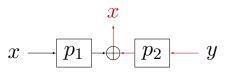
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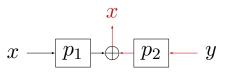
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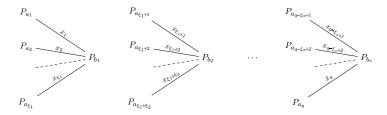
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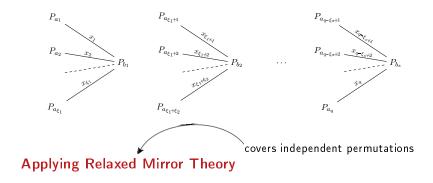


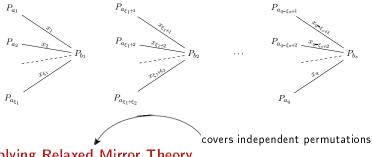
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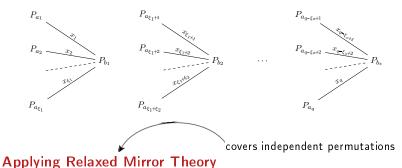




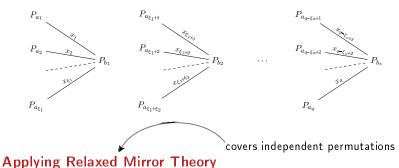


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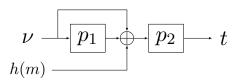
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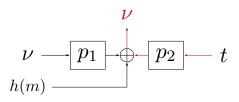


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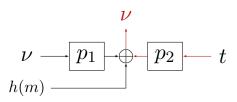
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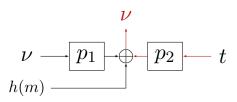


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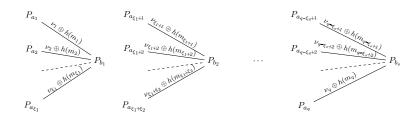


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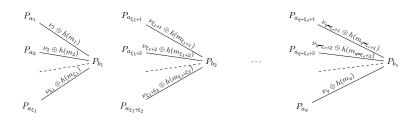


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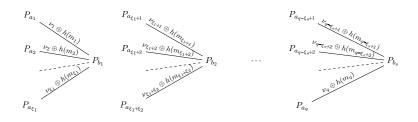
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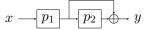
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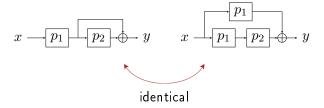
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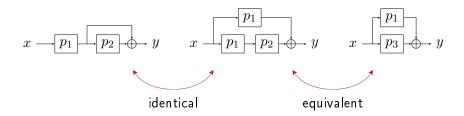


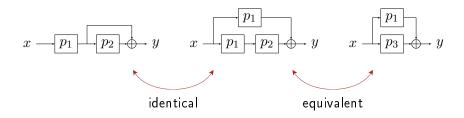
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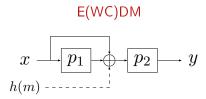
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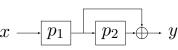
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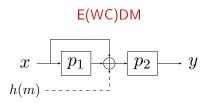


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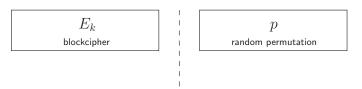
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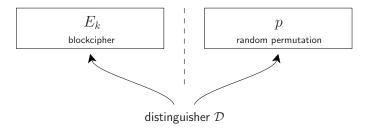
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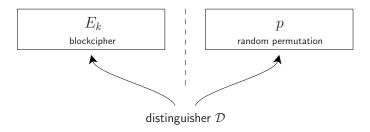
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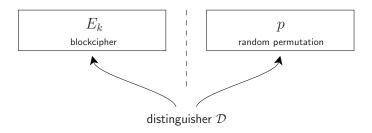
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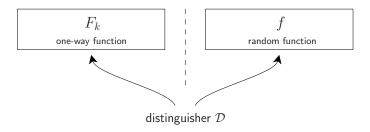
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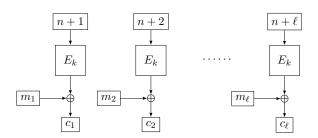
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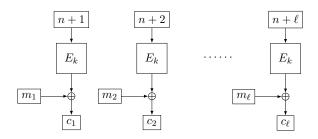
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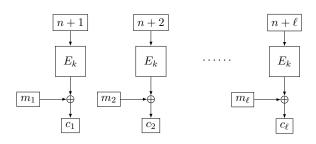
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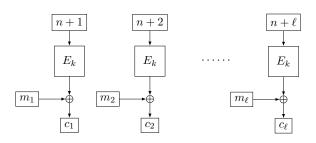


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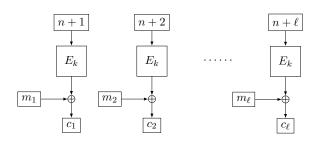


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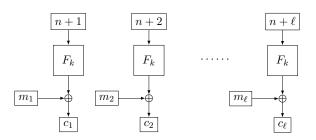
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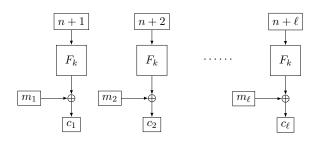
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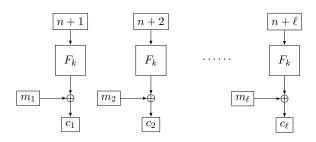


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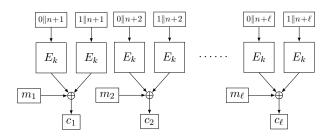
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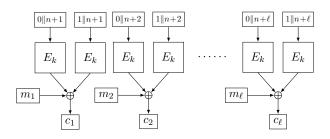
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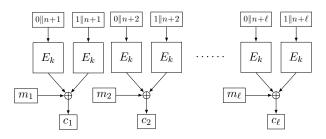
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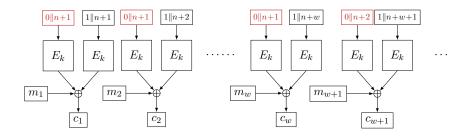
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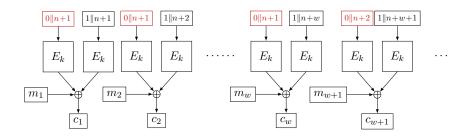
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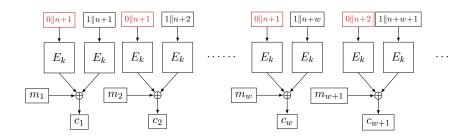
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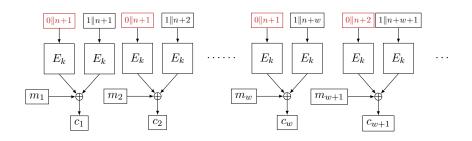
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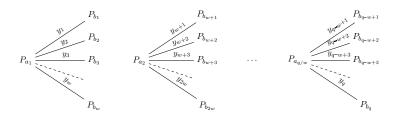
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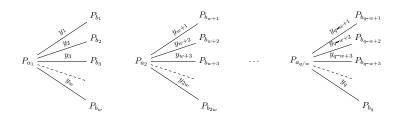


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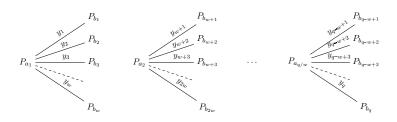
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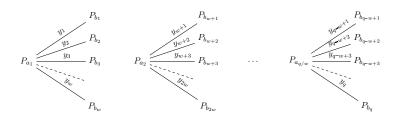
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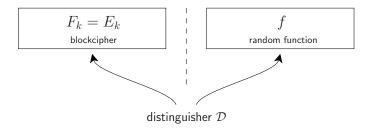
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#### **Applying Mirror Theory**

- ullet Circle-free: no collisions in inputs to p
- Non-degenerate: provided that  $y_i \neq 0$  for all i and  $y_i \neq y_j$  within all w-blocks
- Maximum tree size w+1
- If  $2w^2q \leq 2^n/67$ : at least  $\frac{(2^n)_r}{2^{nq}}$  solutions to unknowns
- H-coefficient technique:  $\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathsf{CENC}}^{\mathsf{cpa}}(q) \leq q/2^n + wq/2^{n+1}$

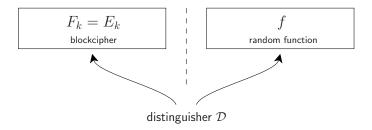
#### Naive PRP-PRF Conversion



#### **PRP-PRF Switch**

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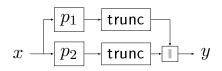
#### PRP-PRF Switch

- Simply view  $E_k$  as a PRF
- $E_k$  does not expose collisions but f does
- ullet  $E_k$  can be distinguished from f in  $pprox 2^{n/2}$  queries

$$\binom{q}{2}/2^n \lesssim \mathbf{Adv}_E^{\mathrm{prf}}(q) \leq \mathbf{Adv}_E^{\mathrm{prp}}(q) + \binom{q}{2}/2^n$$

# Beyond Birthday Bound PRP-PRF Conversion: Truncation

#### Truncation



- First suggested by Hall et al. [HWKS98]
- ullet Secure up to  $2^{3n/4}$  queries [Sta78,BI99,GG16]
- Application: GCM-SIV