

# Crypto Engineering 2025–2026

## Symmetric encryption

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# Reminder symmetric encryption & IND-CPA security







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# Symmetric encryption

## Definition (Symmetric encryption scheme)

Let  $\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{C}$  be the set of, respectively, keys, messages and ciphertexts. An encryption scheme is a tuple  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  of polynomial algorithm:

- Key-generation  $k \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^\lambda)$
- Encryption  $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}_k(m)$  Message  $m \in \mathcal{M}$ , sometimes written  $\text{Enc}(k, m)$ .
- Decryption  $m \leftarrow \text{Dec}_k(c)$  Ciphertext  $c \in \mathcal{C}$

Key  $k \in \mathcal{K}$

Security parameter  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$  in unary form:  
Gen runs in poly time in the size of its input

that must be correct, i.e. such that for any  $m \in \mathcal{M}$ :

$$\Pr_{k \leftarrow \mathcal{K}} [\text{Dec}_k(\text{Enc}_k(m)) = m] = 1$$

# One-Time Pad

## Definition (One-Time Pad, OTP)

The One-Time Pad is the crypto-system defined as  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{K} = \mathcal{C} = \{0, 1\}^\lambda$  and (Gen, Enc, Dec) as:

OTP
$\text{Gen}(1^\lambda):$
$k \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^\lambda$
<b>return</b> $k$
$\text{Enc}(k, m):$
<b>return</b> $k \oplus m$
$\text{Dec}(k, c):$
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Correctness:  $\forall k, \text{Dec}(k, \text{Enc}(k, m)) = k \oplus k \oplus m = m.$



**Last episode:** we mentionned that the good notion of security is to distinguish between the encryption of one of two messages  $m_0$  and  $m_1$  chosen by the adversary. Still an important question:

**What do we give to the adversary** before they get to choose  $m_0$  and  $m_1$ ?  
**Can we reuse the key ?**

# Security of OTP

First (weak) security definition:

- We give NOTHING
- We change the key at any new encryption

More formally:

## Definition (One-time secrecy)

An encryption scheme  $\Sigma = (\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  with key-space  $\mathcal{K}$ , message-space  $\mathcal{M}$  and cipher-text space  $\mathcal{C}$  is *one-time secure* if:

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ots-L}}^{\Sigma}$	$\equiv$	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ots-R}}^{\Sigma}$
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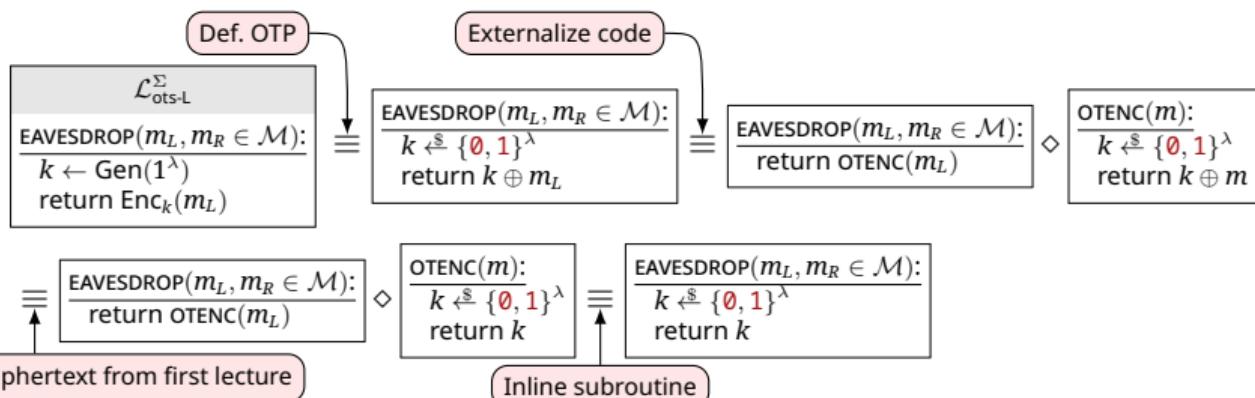
*Proof* (Exercice. See also the caseine exercice “OTP is one-time secure”)

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We realize that the last library does not depend on  $m_R$  or  $m_L$  at all. So we can apply all operations backward, except that we replace  $m_L$  with  $m_R$  to recover  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{ots-R}}^{\Sigma} \equiv \mathcal{L}_{\text{ots-L}}^{\Sigma}$ . □

# Security OTP

Problem: Here, a **new key**  $k$  is re-sampled on every new encryption... **Highly impractical!** We would prefer to **re-use** the same key:

## Definition (IND-CPA)

An encryption scheme  $\Sigma = (\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  has indistinguishable security against *chosen-plaintext attacks* (IND-CPA security) if:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{cpa-L}}^{\Sigma}$$

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B No **✓** Exploit the fact that it is **deterministic encryption**:

Define

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 $\mathcal{A}$ 
 $x \leftarrow \text{EAVESDROP}(\mathbf{0}^\lambda, \mathbf{0}^\lambda)$ 
 $y \leftarrow \text{EAVESDROP}(\mathbf{0}^\lambda, \mathbf{1}^\lambda)$ 
return  $x = y$ 
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. Then, after inlining, we have



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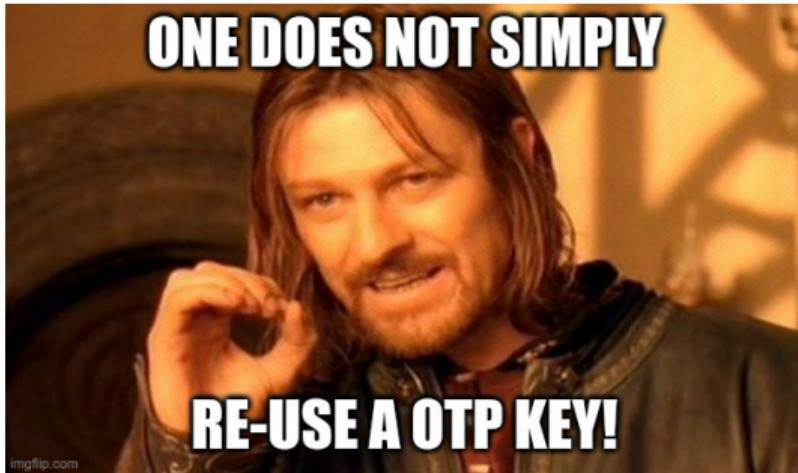
i.e.  $\Pr [\mathcal{A} \diamond \mathcal{L}_{\text{cpa-L}}^\Sigma = 1] = 1$ . But

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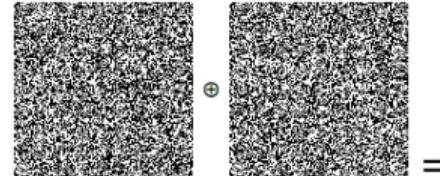
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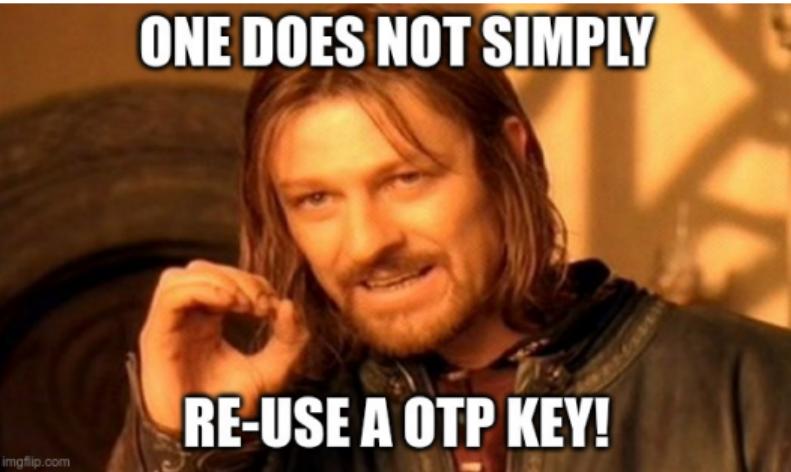


More: <https://crypto.stackexchange.com/questions/59>, <https://incoherency.co.uk/blog/stories/otp-key-reuse.html>

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# How to build IND-CPA secure schemes



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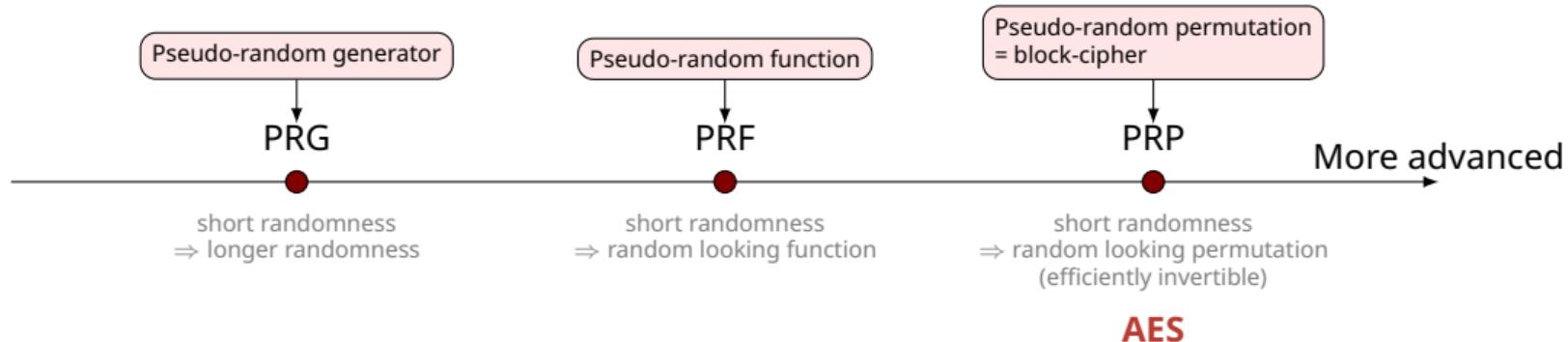
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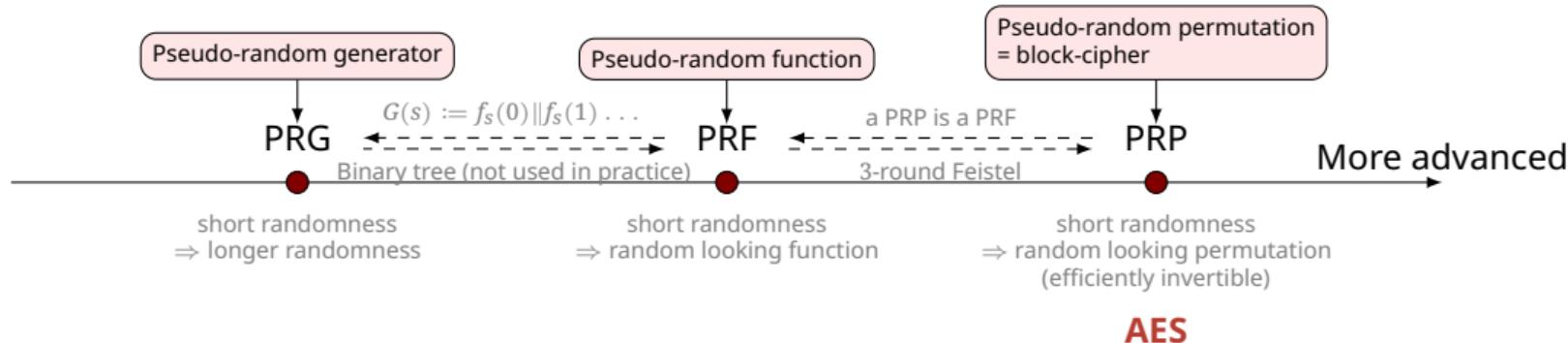
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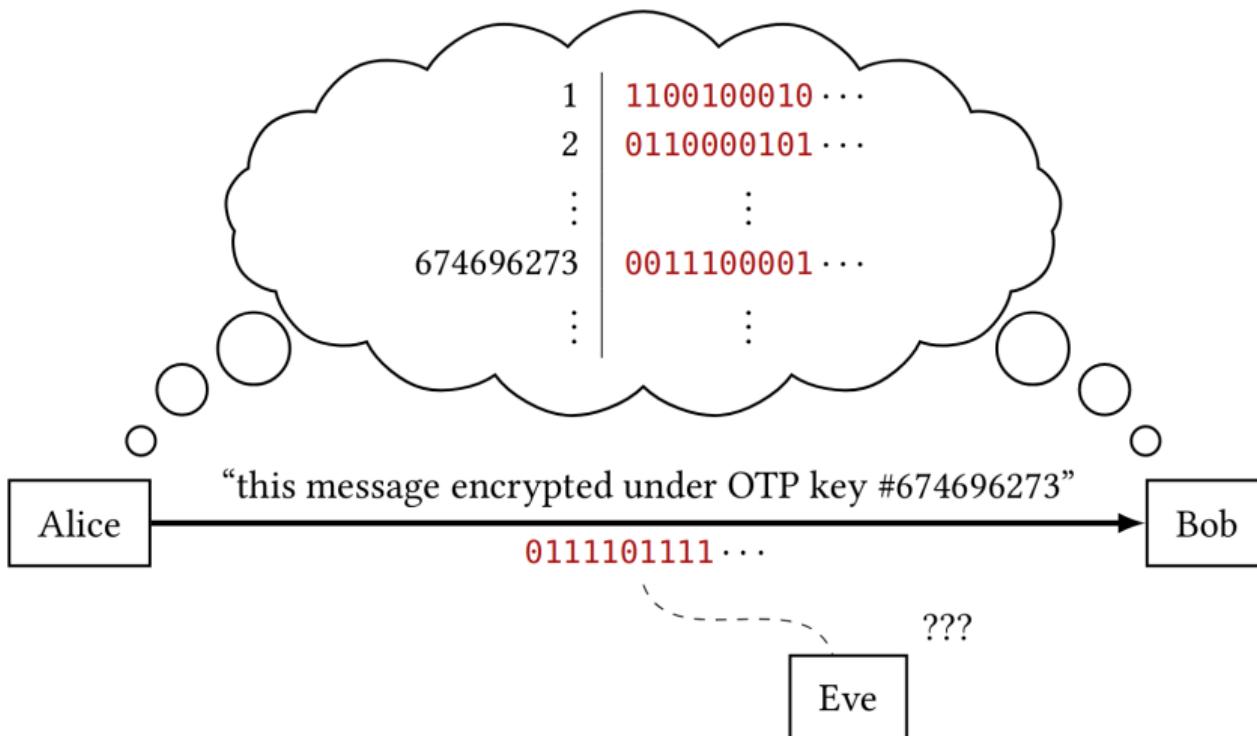
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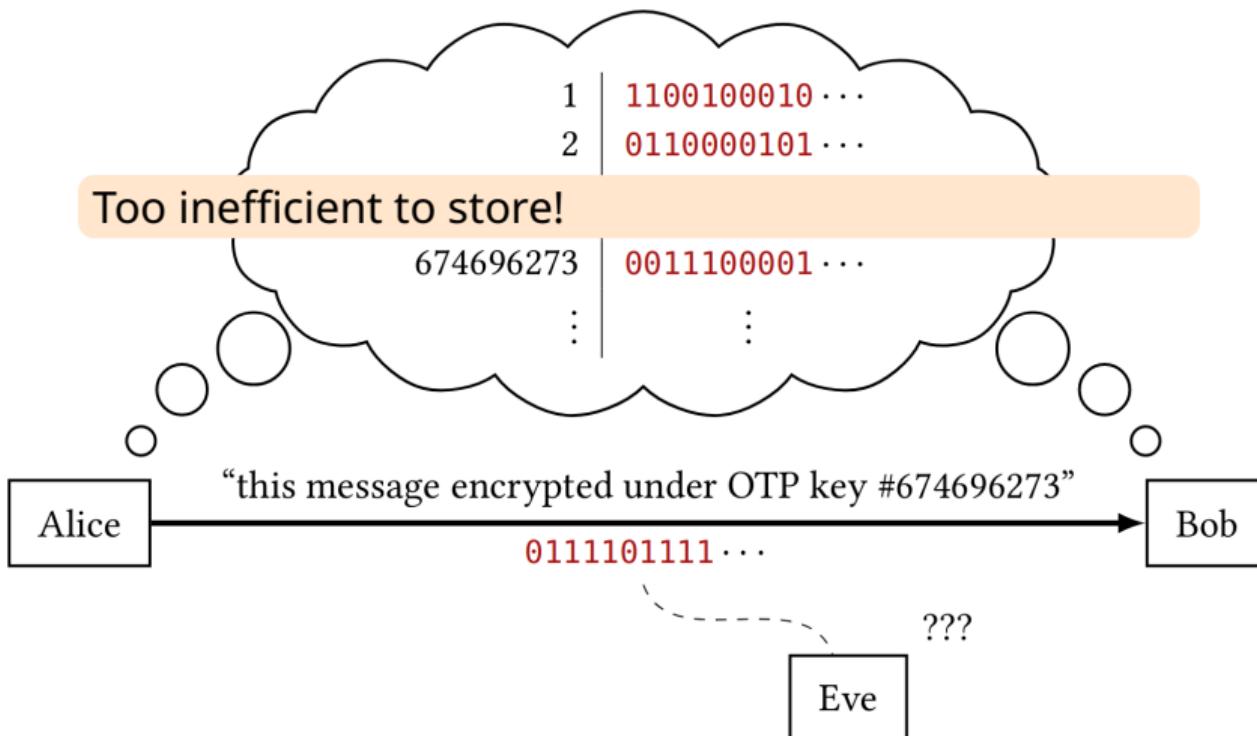
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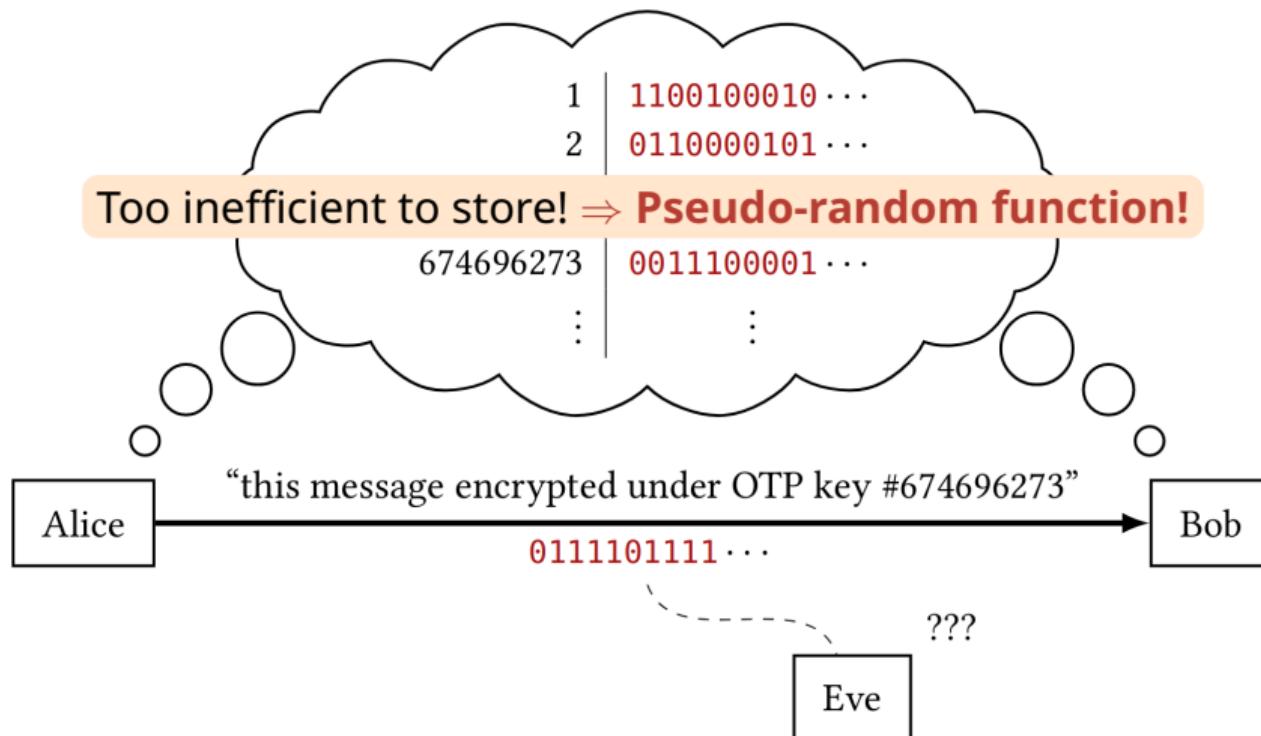
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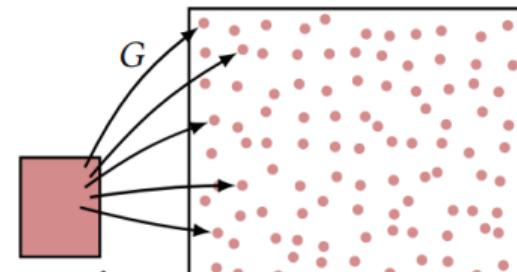
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$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{prg-real}}^G}{\begin{array}{l}\text{QUERY():} \\ s \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^\lambda \\ \text{return } G(s)\end{array}} \approx \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{prg-ideal}}^G}{\begin{array}{l}\text{QUERY():} \\ r \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^{\lambda+l} \\ \text{return } r\end{array}}$$

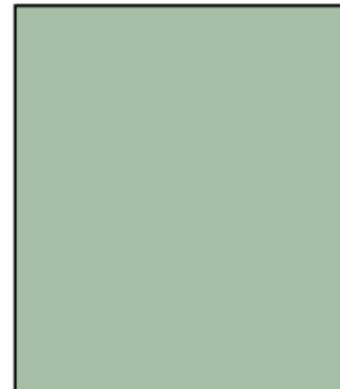
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$\{0, 1\}^\lambda$

$\{0, 1\}^{2\lambda}$

pseudorandom distribution



$\{0, 1\}^{2\lambda}$

uniform distribution

**PRG  $\neq$  random number generator:** small uniform source vs large non-uniform noise

# Pseudo-Random Function (PRF)

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Let  $F: \{0, 1\}^\lambda \times \{0, 1\}^{\text{in}} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\text{out}}$  be a deterministic function. We say that  $F$  is a *secure Pseudo-Random Function (PRF)* if:

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$$F^{-1}(k, F(k, x)) = x$$

and if, after defining  $T.\text{values} := \{v \mid \exists x, T[x] = v\}$ , we have:

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# PRP vs PRF

**How far** are PRP from PRF?

Natural attack: call  $\text{LOOKUP}(x)$  on random  $x$  many times (say  $N$ ) until we **find a collision** ( $\text{LOOKUP}(x) = \text{LOOKUP}(x')$  for  $x' \neq x$ ). If we can't find any, claim PRP, otherwise PRF.

Naively, think this has advantage  $\approx \frac{1}{N}$ , but much more efficient:  $\approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$ .



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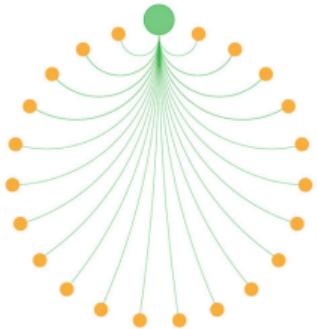
If  $N$  = number of elements,  $n$  = number of samples,  $p$  = proba collision:

$$p(n) = 1 - \frac{N!}{(N-n)!} \frac{1}{N^n}$$

number of samples for proba collision  $1/2 \approx \sqrt{N}$

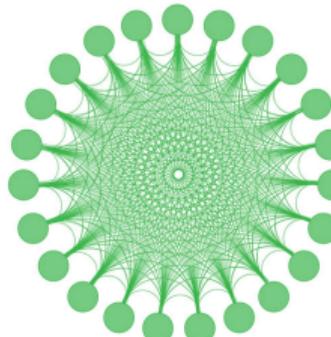
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## THE BIRTHDAY PARADOX



ONE-TO-MANY

The probability of someone sharing your specific birthday is a narrow search so the chances are low. With 23 people there's a 5.9% chance someone shares your birthday.



MANY-TO-MANY

When you are looking for *any* two people to share any birthday the network of possible connections is much richer. With 23 people there's a 50.7% chance two people share a birthday.

<https://oddathenaeum.com/the-birthday-paradox/>

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⇒ First course,  $2^{64}$  doable with GPU/ASIC cluster.
- C No

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*Proof.* See Caseine exercise “Asymptotic birthday paradox”.

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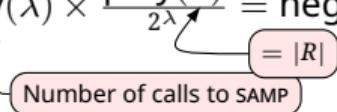
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*Proof.* Bad-event lemma:  $\mathcal{A}$  is polynomial, so

$$\Pr[\text{bad} = 1] = \text{poly}(\lambda) \times \frac{\text{poly}(\lambda)}{2^\lambda} = \text{negl}(\lambda) \quad \square$$



# The birthday paradox

## Take-home message

The birthday paradox does not harm asymptotic security ( $\sqrt{\text{negl}(\lambda)} = \text{negl}(\lambda)$ ), but in real life, the **size of the key may need to be doubled** to prevent this attack.

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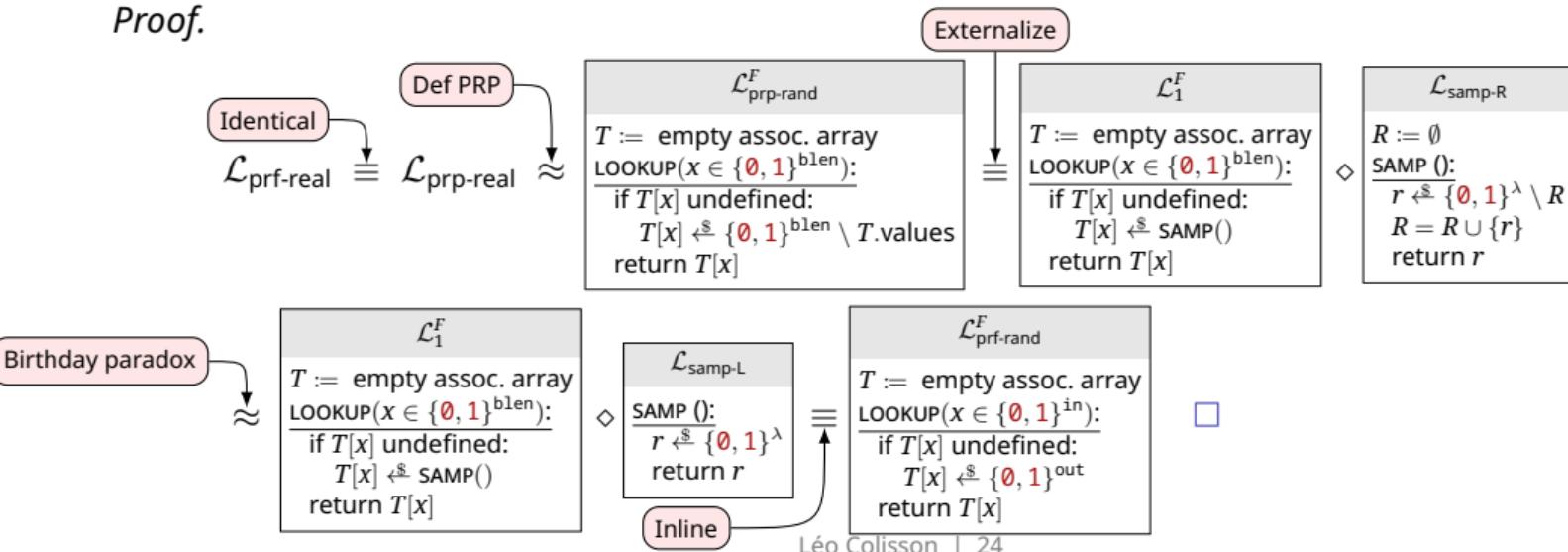
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# How to build IND-CPA schemes from PRF or block-ciphers?

# IND-CPA from PRF

Based on above idea, first (not so efficient) solution:

## Definition (PRF pseudo-OTP)

Let  $F$  be a secure PRF. We define the PRF pseudo-OTP encryption scheme as  $\mathcal{K} = \{\textcolor{red}{0}, \textcolor{red}{1}\}^\lambda$ ,  $\mathcal{M} = \{\textcolor{red}{0}, \textcolor{red}{1}\}^{\text{out}}$ ,  $\mathcal{C} = \{\textcolor{red}{0}, \textcolor{red}{1}\}^\lambda \times \{\textcolor{red}{0}, \textcolor{red}{1}\}^{\text{out}}$ , and:

$\Sigma_{\text{prf-pseudo-OTP}}$
<u>Gen()</u> :
$k \xleftarrow{\$} \{\textcolor{red}{0}, \textcolor{red}{1}\}^\lambda$
return $k$
<u>Enc(<math>k, m</math>)</u> :
$r \xleftarrow{\$} \{\textcolor{red}{0}, \textcolor{red}{1}\}^\lambda$
$x := F(k, r) \oplus m$
return $(r, x)$
<u>Dec(<math>k, c</math>)</u> :
$m := F(k, r) \oplus c$
return $m$

Theorem (security PRF pseudo-OTP)

The PRF pseudo-OTP is IND-CPA secure.



Exercice: try to prove its security (answer next slide)

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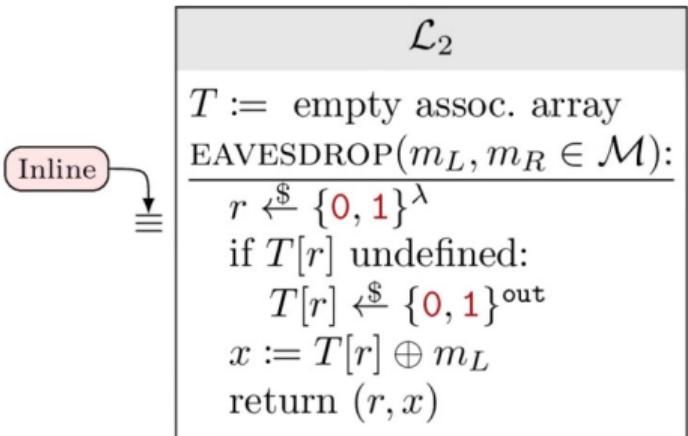
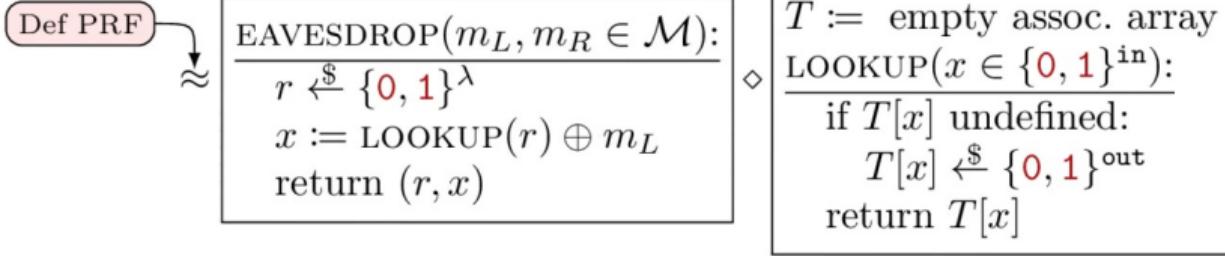
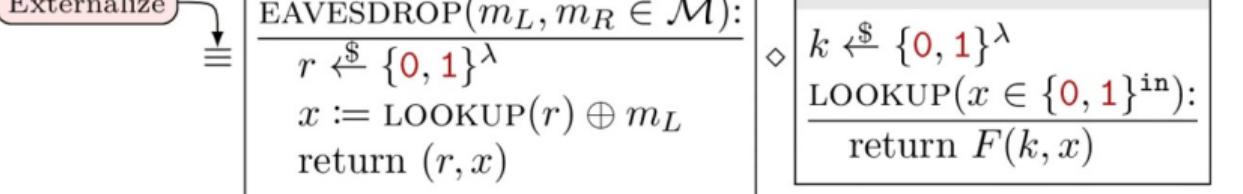
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return  $(r, x)$

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$\mathcal{L}_2$

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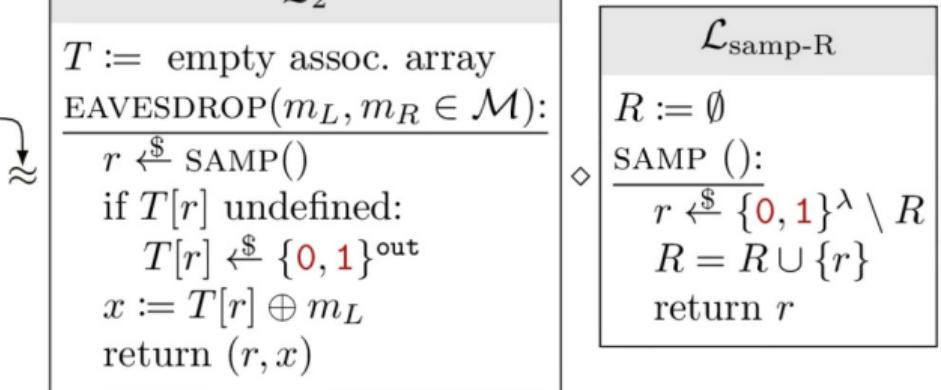
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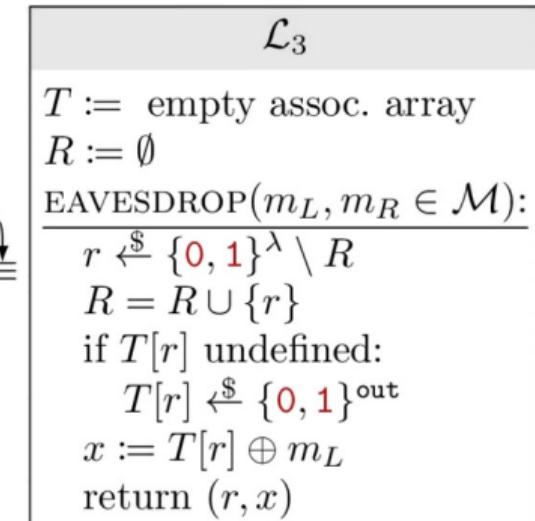
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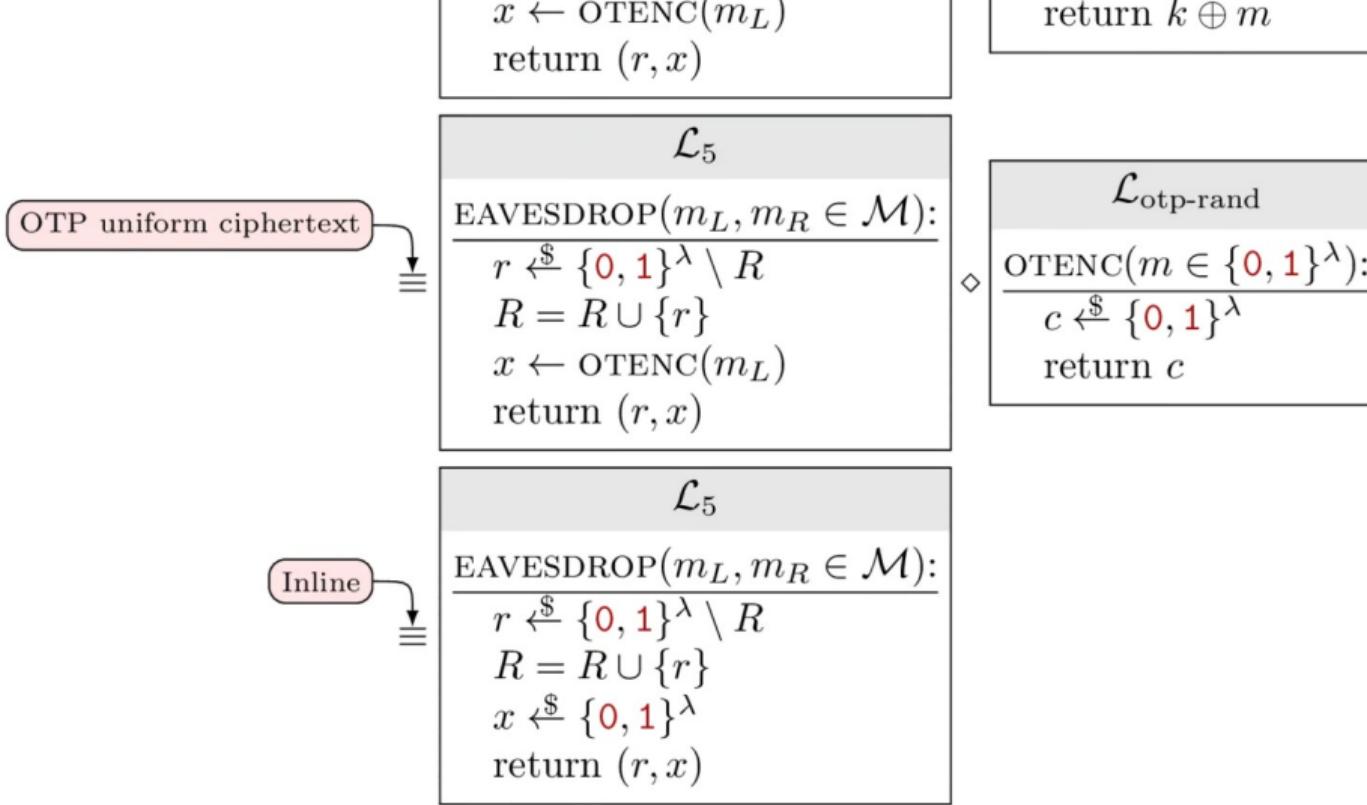
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Since this last library is symmetric with respect to  $m_L$  and  $m_R$ , we can do exactly the same computations starting from  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cpa-R}}^\Sigma$  and we will find the exact same library (or, equivalently, do the operations backward with  $m_R$  instead of  $m_L$ ), hence  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cpa-R}}^\Sigma \approx \mathcal{L}_{\text{cpa-L}}^\Sigma$ .

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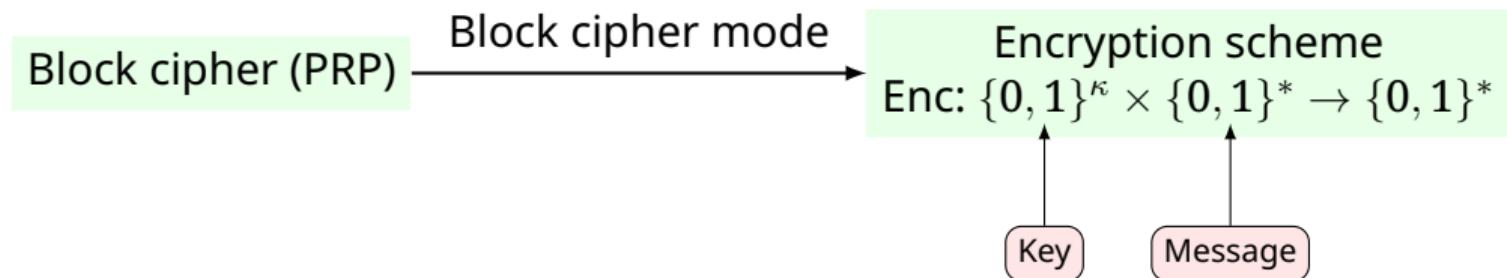
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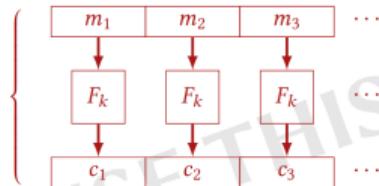
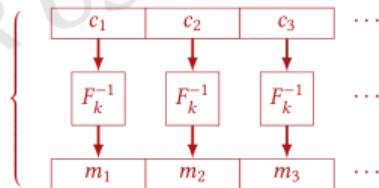
Multiple modes of operation (= variants):



# Common modes

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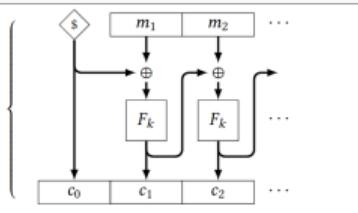
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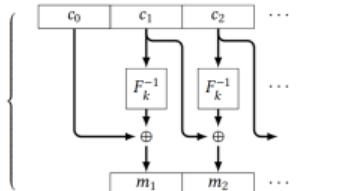
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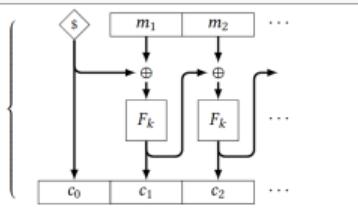
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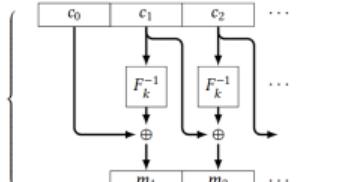
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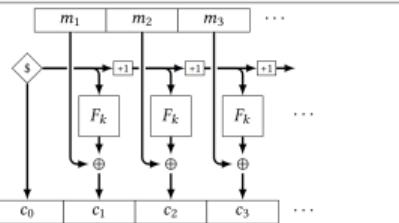
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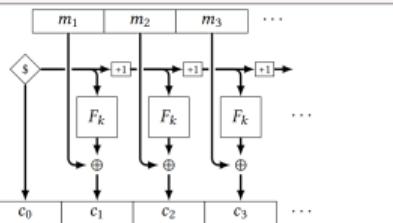
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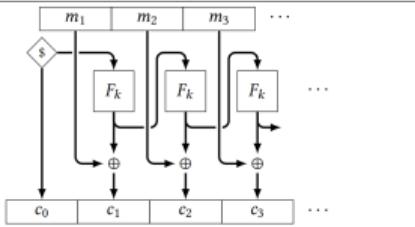
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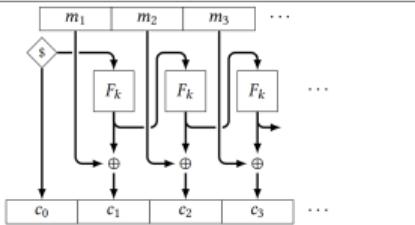
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Parallelizable	✗	✓	✗	
Pre-computable	✗	✓	✓	
Can avoid padding	✗	✓	✓	
Safer with no permutation cycle	✗	✓	✗	
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**Winner is CTR mode!** (but wait encrypt & authenticate modes like GCM)

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# Modes vulnerable to birthday attacks

All modes are vulnerable to birthday attacks (cf TD), so make sure you encrypt less than  $2^{\text{blen}/2}$  blocks (i.e. keep blen large, e.g. don't use 3DES! (64 bits)).

Today: most widely used cipher is

## Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)

with 128 bits block length (key length: 128, 192 or 256 bits). See also:

- Rijndael (generalization AES): block length 128, 192, or 256,
- Serpent (2nd finalist in Advanced Encryption Standard process)
- Twofish (blen = 128) and blowfish (warning: blen = 64!)
- never use DES = broken (previous standard), temporarily replaced by 3DES

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## Is leaking the length an issue?

**Sometimes!** E.g.:

- Google maps sends tiles, each tile having a different size (despite same pixel size) due to compression  $\Rightarrow$  possible to know what tile is displayed only by looking at traffic
- Variable-bit-rate (VBR) in video shows different (chunk of) "frame" size depending on the time. Possible to know which movie you watch on netflix/youtube based on this, and even identity speaker/language/word spoken in voice chat programs!

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What if  $|m|$  is not a multiple of the block length?

- CTR mode: simple, just truncate the ciphertext (like regular OTP)
- CBC mode: need to add **padding** (add data until reaching block length)  
(also possible to do “ciphertext stealing” in this specific case)

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Many ways to pad  $m$  into  $m'$ :

- add zeros: not working! When decrypting, how do you know how many zeros to remove?
- ANSI X.923 standard: add  $\textcolor{red}{0}$ 's until the last byte that contains the number of padded bytes
- PKCS#7 standard: if  $b$  bytes of padding needed, add the actual  $b$  byte  $b$  times
- ISO/IEC 7816-4 standard: append  $\textcolor{red}{10\dots0}$

The actual choice has **little importance**, not really a security feature (at least when considering passive adversaries, see later)

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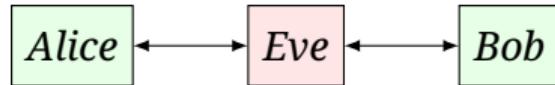


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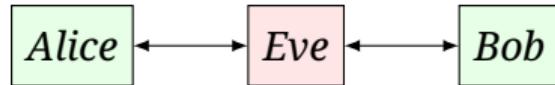
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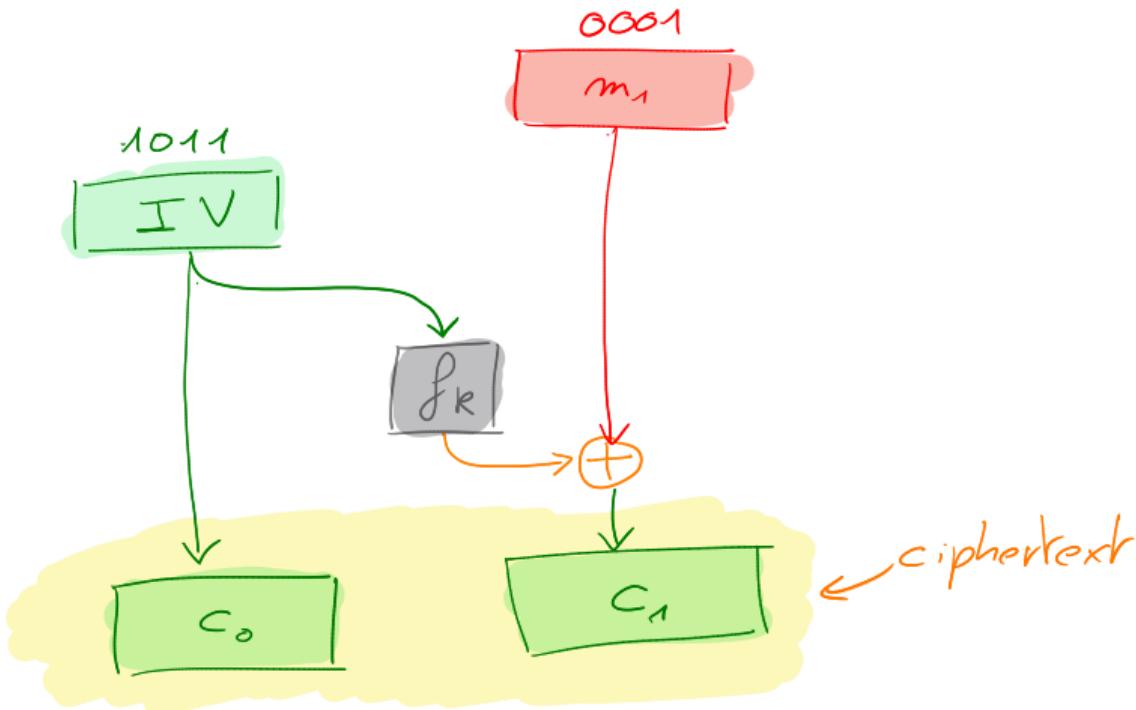
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Attack model: CTR mode, padding ANSI X.923,  $\mathcal{A}$  has access to

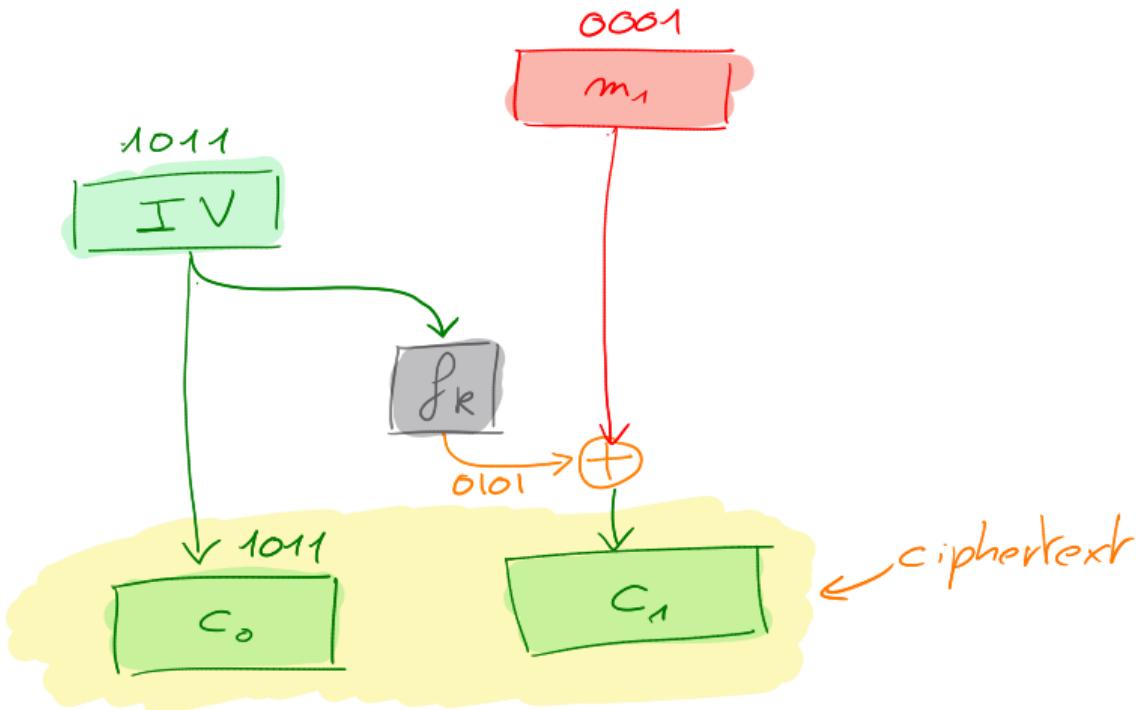
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(hence  $\text{VALIDPAD}(m)$  checks if  $m$  ends with a byte  $b$  containing before  $b - 1$  bytes filled with 0's). Say that we have access to  $c_0 \leftarrow \text{Enc}_k(m_0)$  (where  $m_0$  is already padded), goal is to find  $m_0$ .

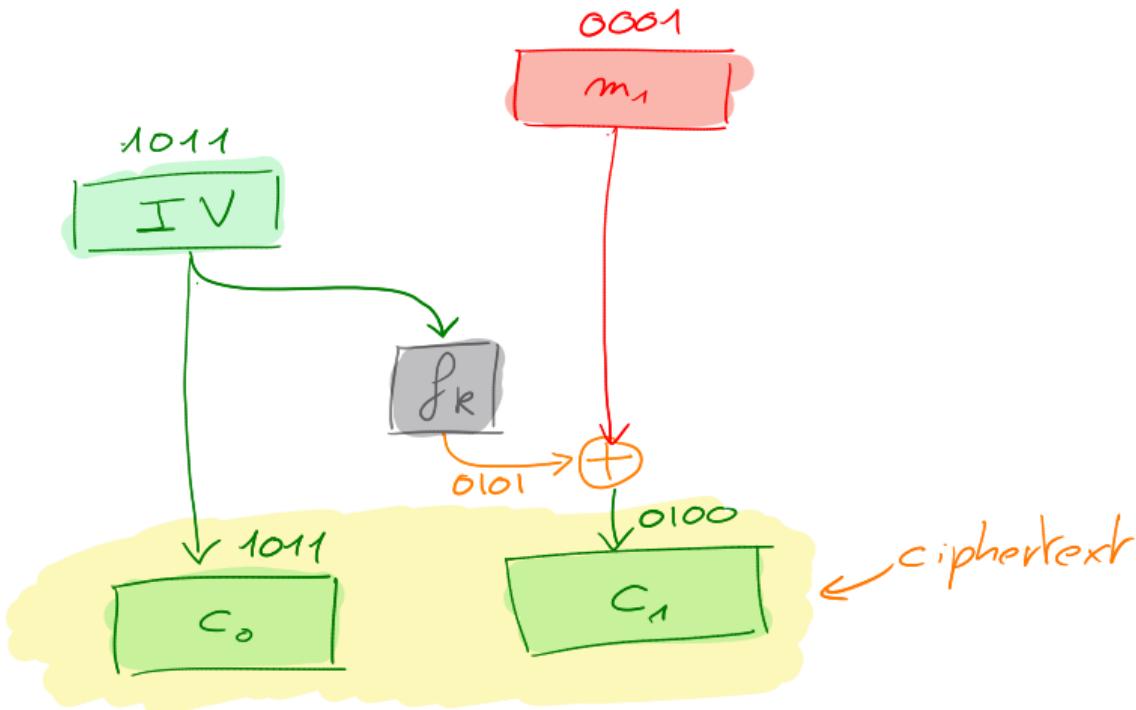
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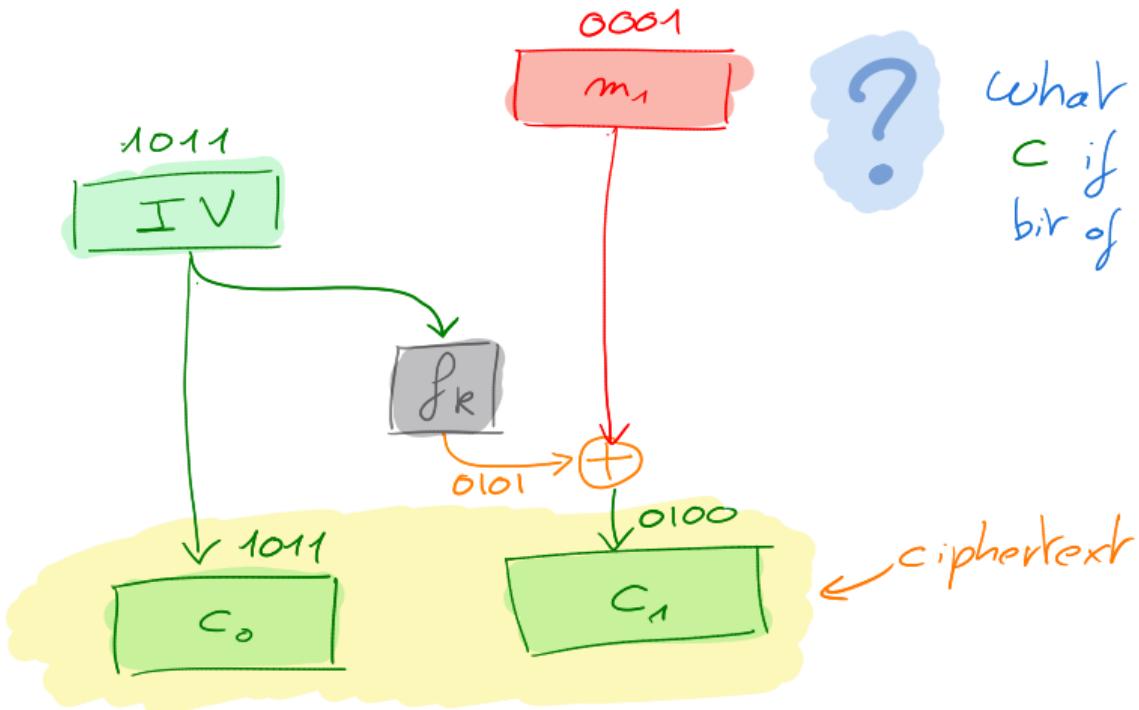
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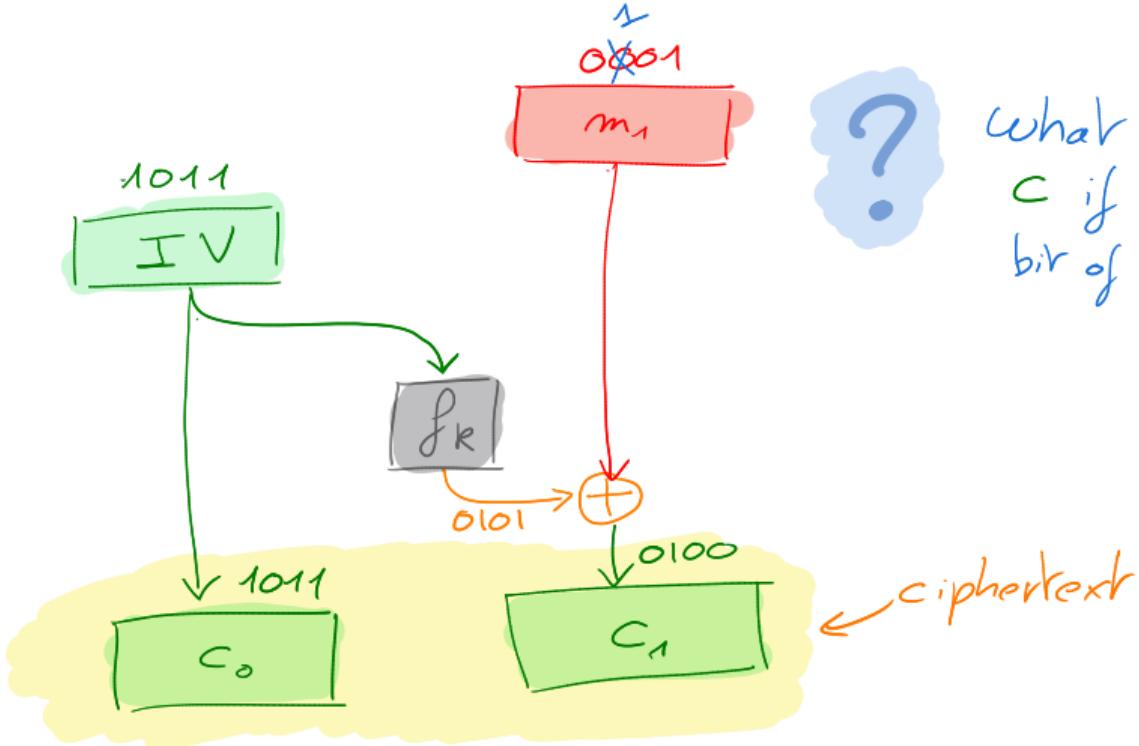
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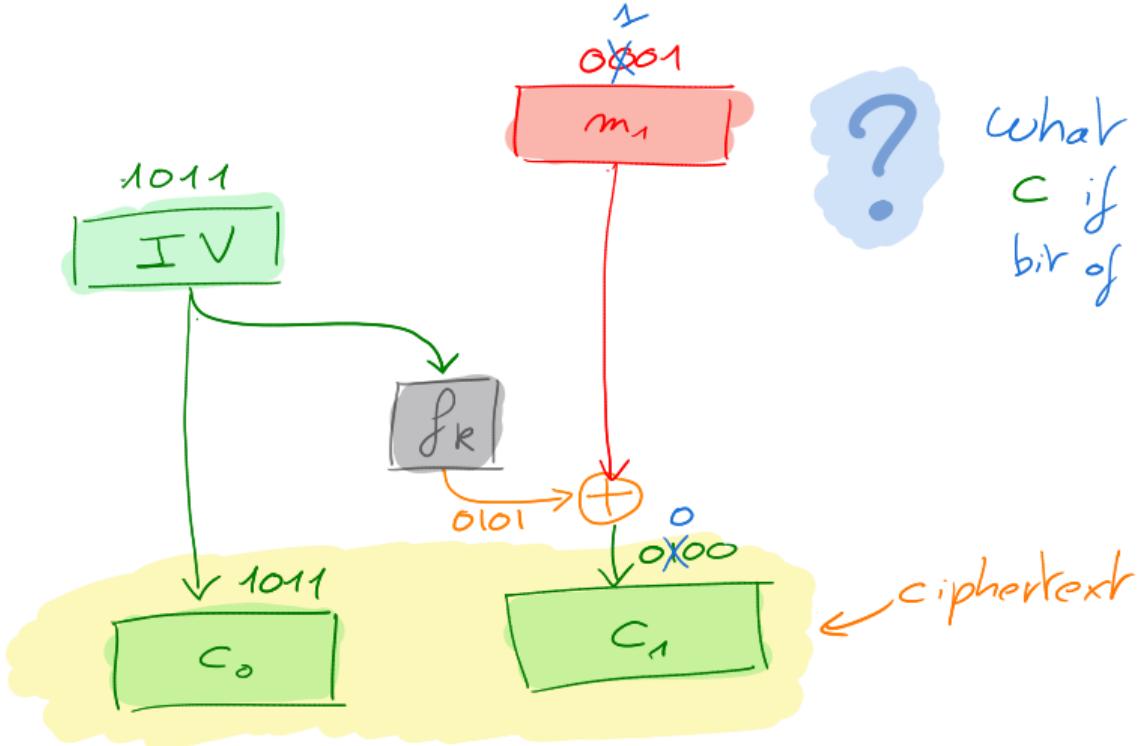
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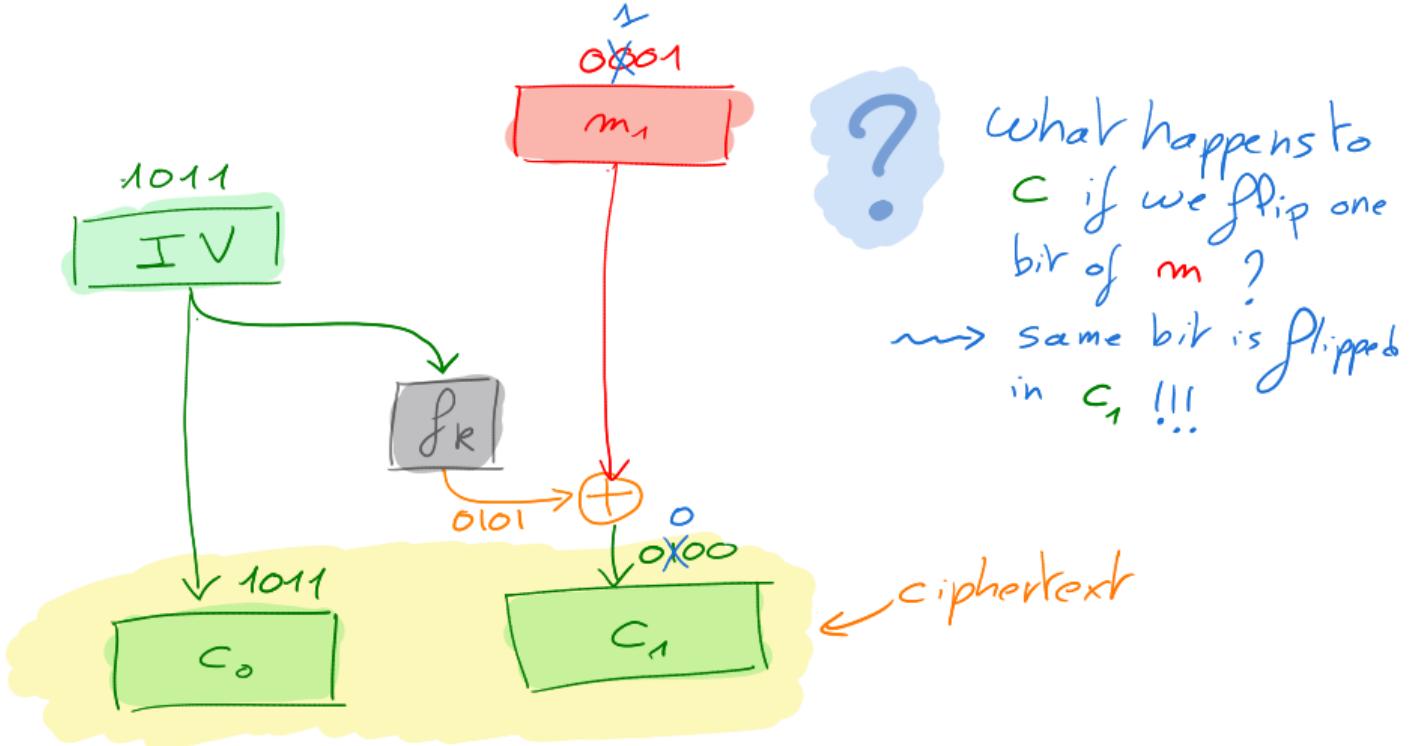
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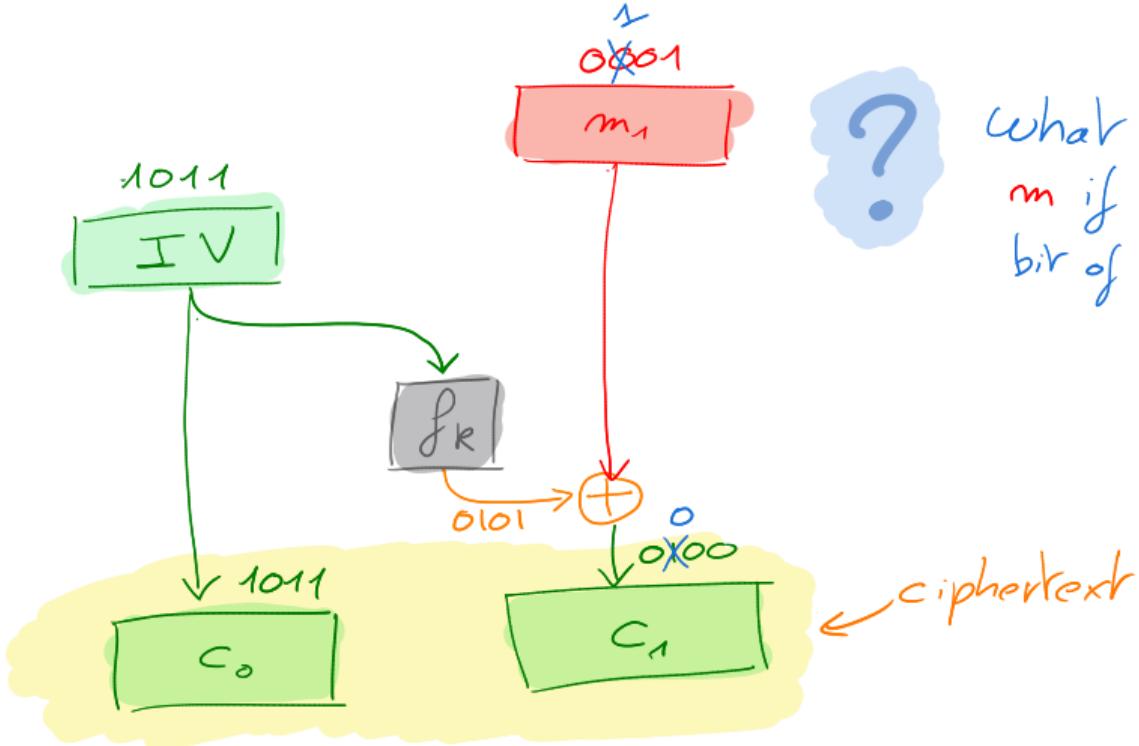
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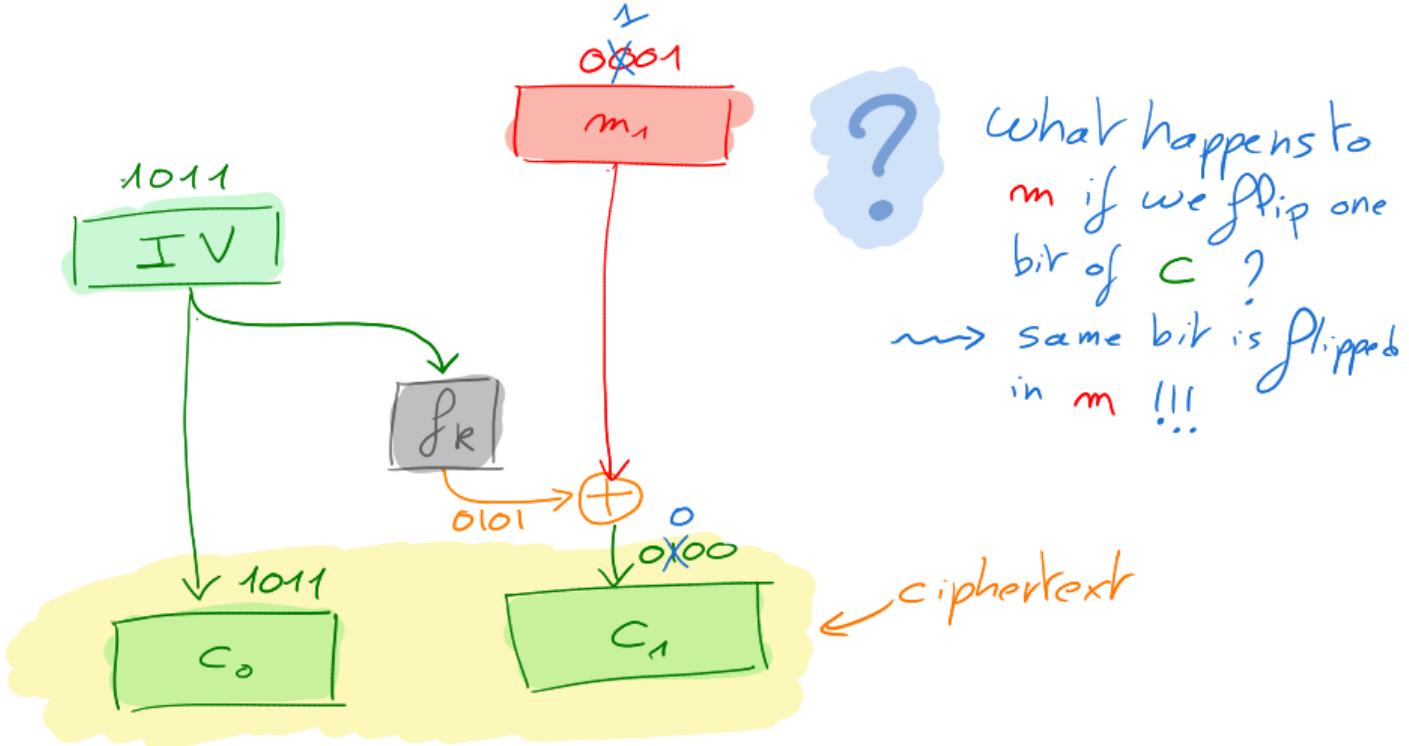
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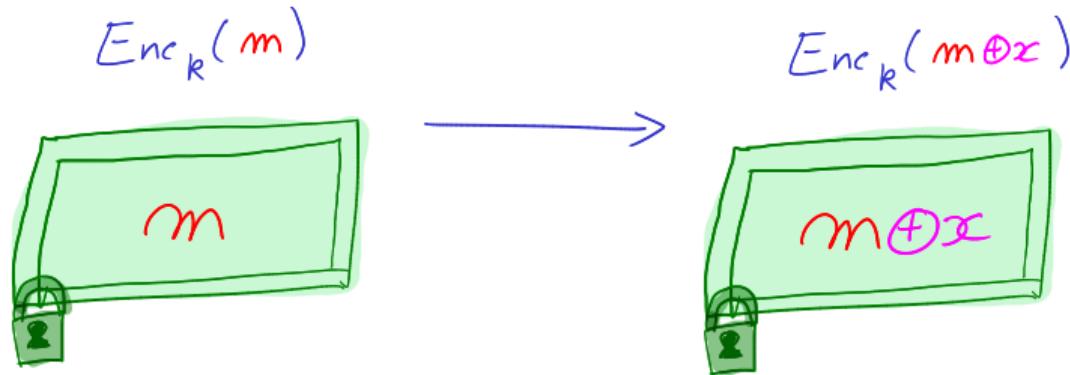


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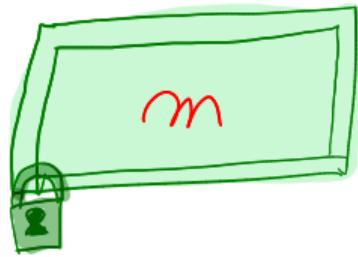
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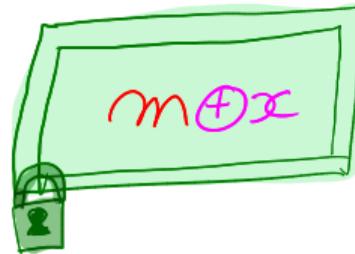
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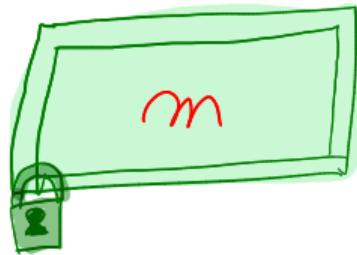
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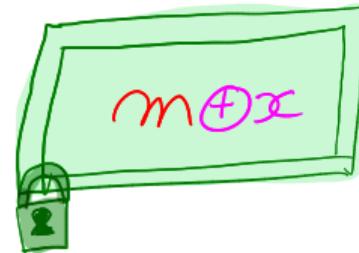
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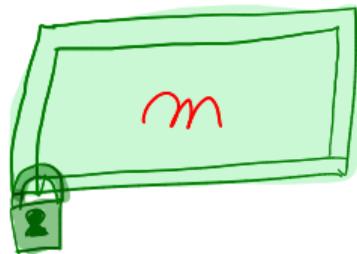
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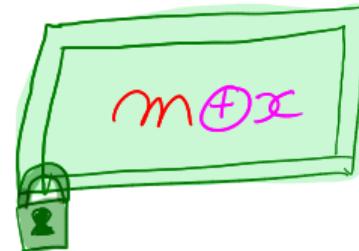
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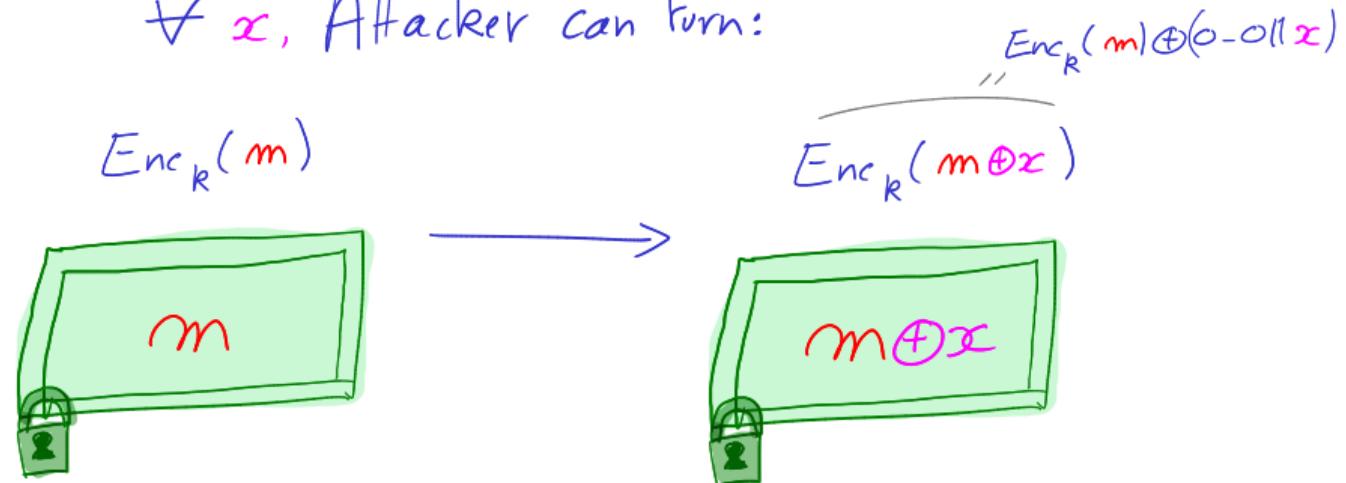
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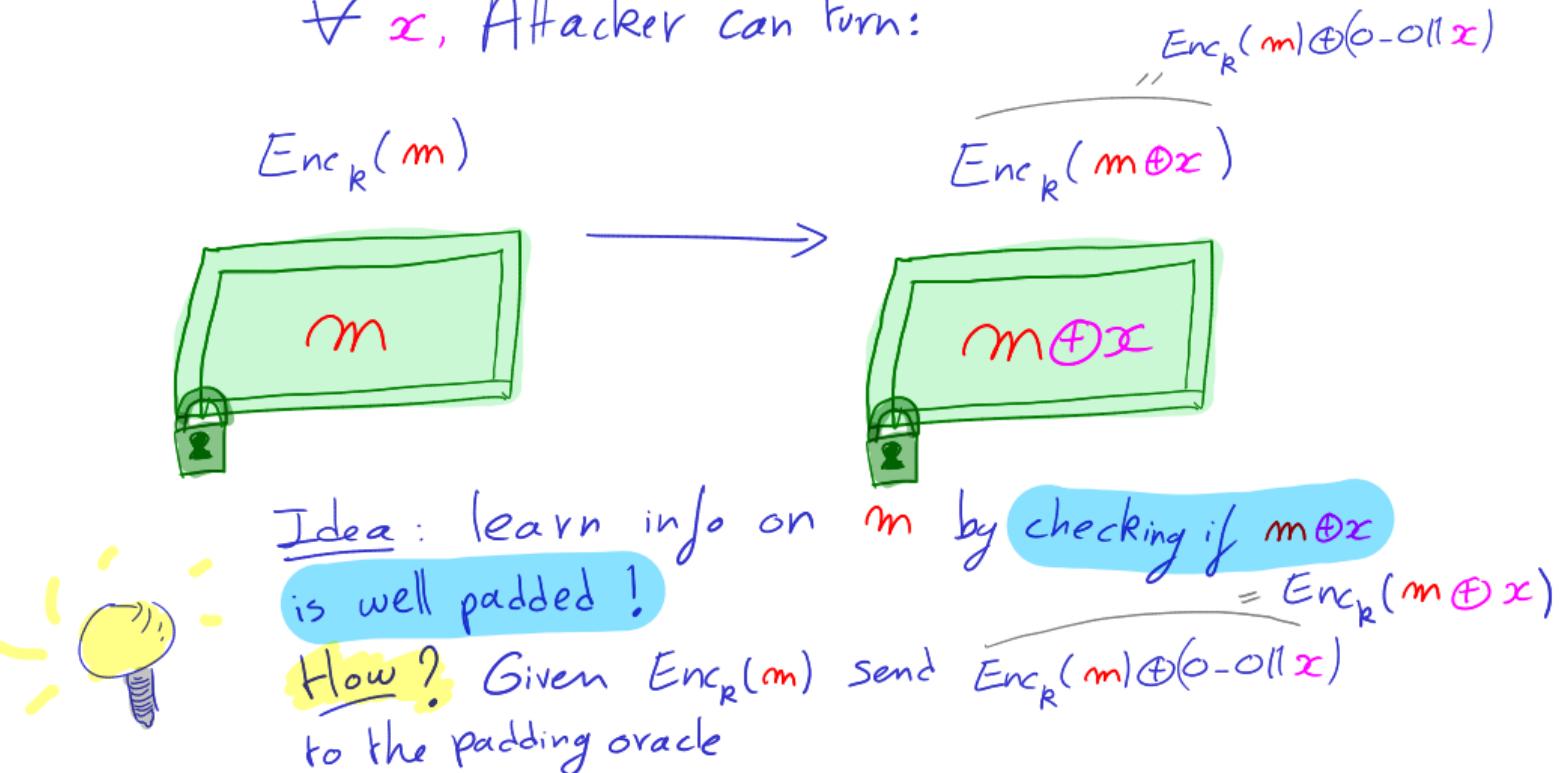


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How? Given  $\text{Enc}_k(m)$  send  $\text{Enc}_k(m) \oplus (0-0|x)$  to the padding oracle

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unknown

chosen by adversary

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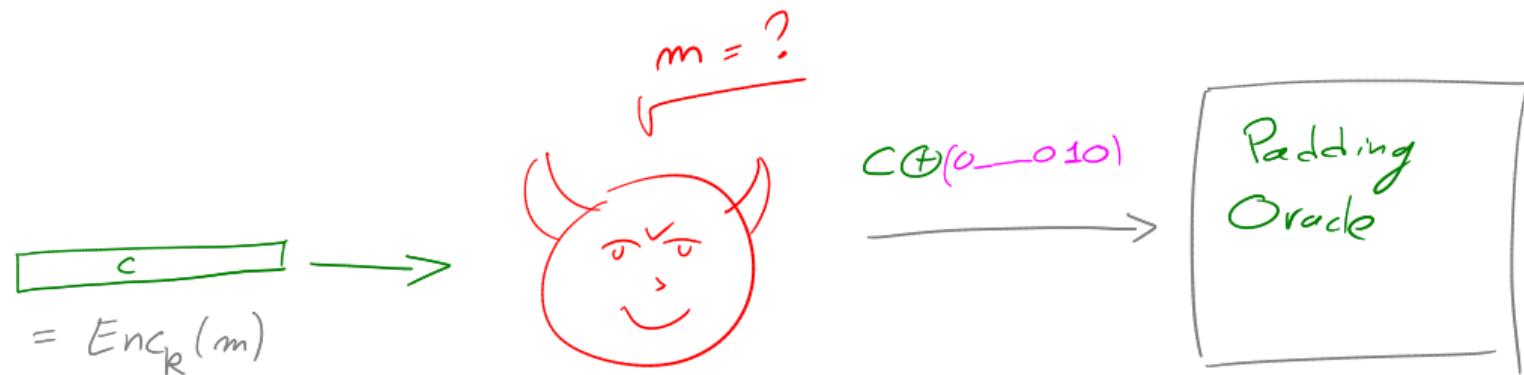
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$\Rightarrow$  allows us to recover the length of  $m$

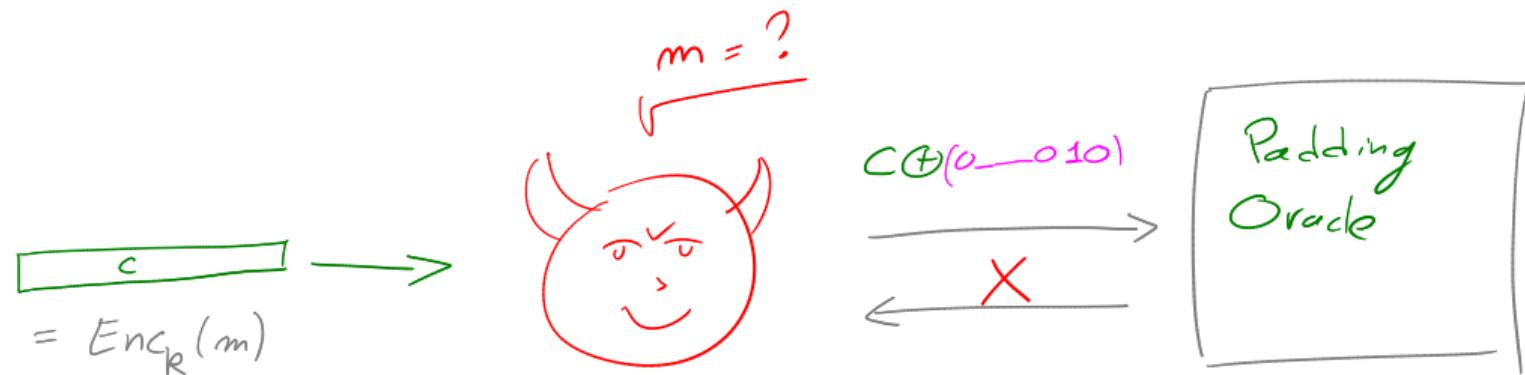
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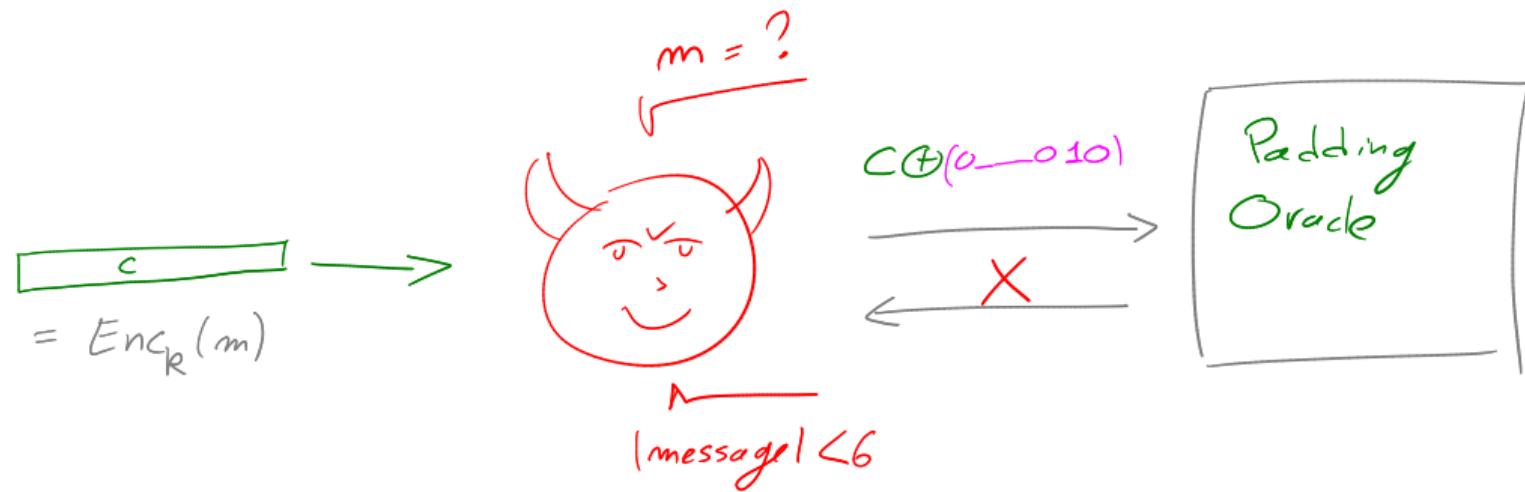
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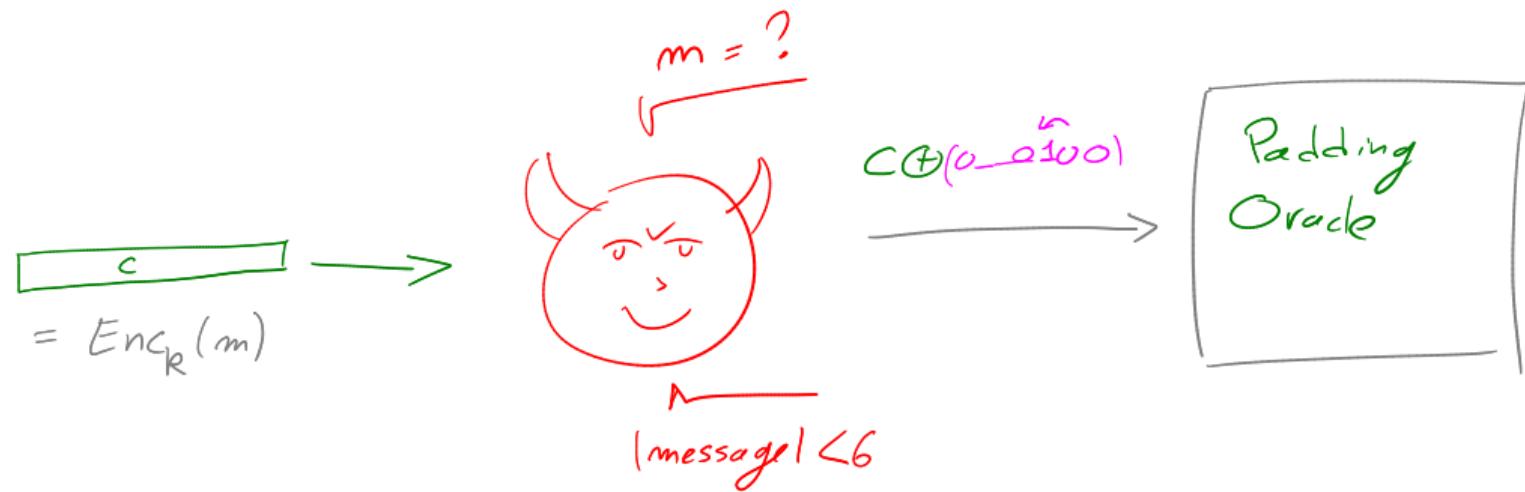
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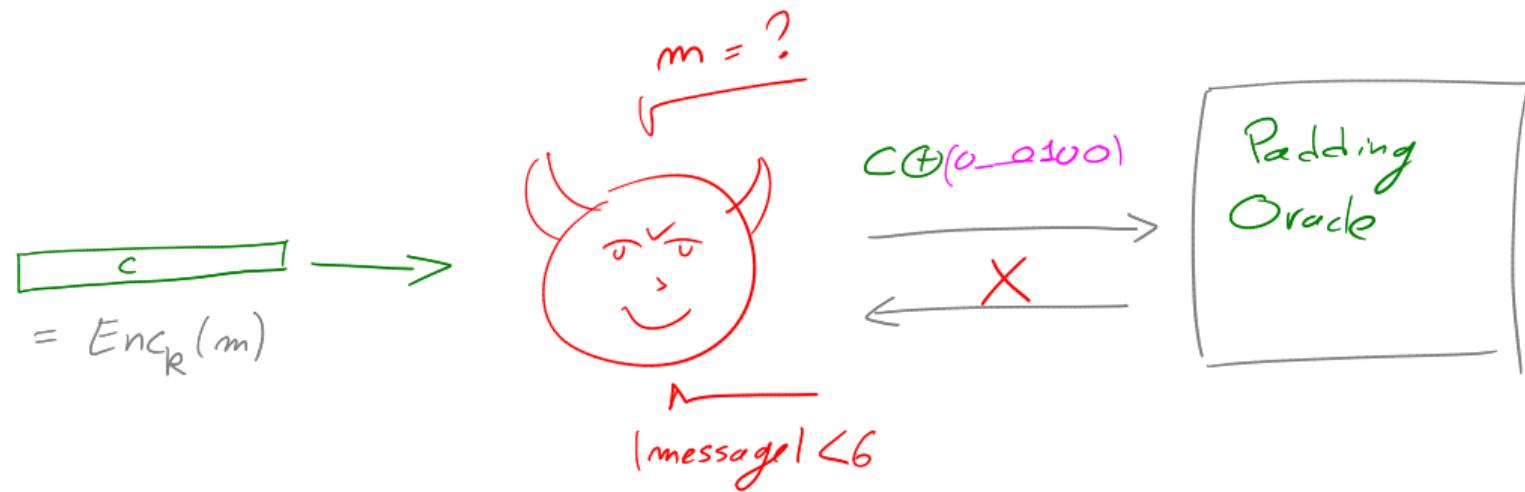
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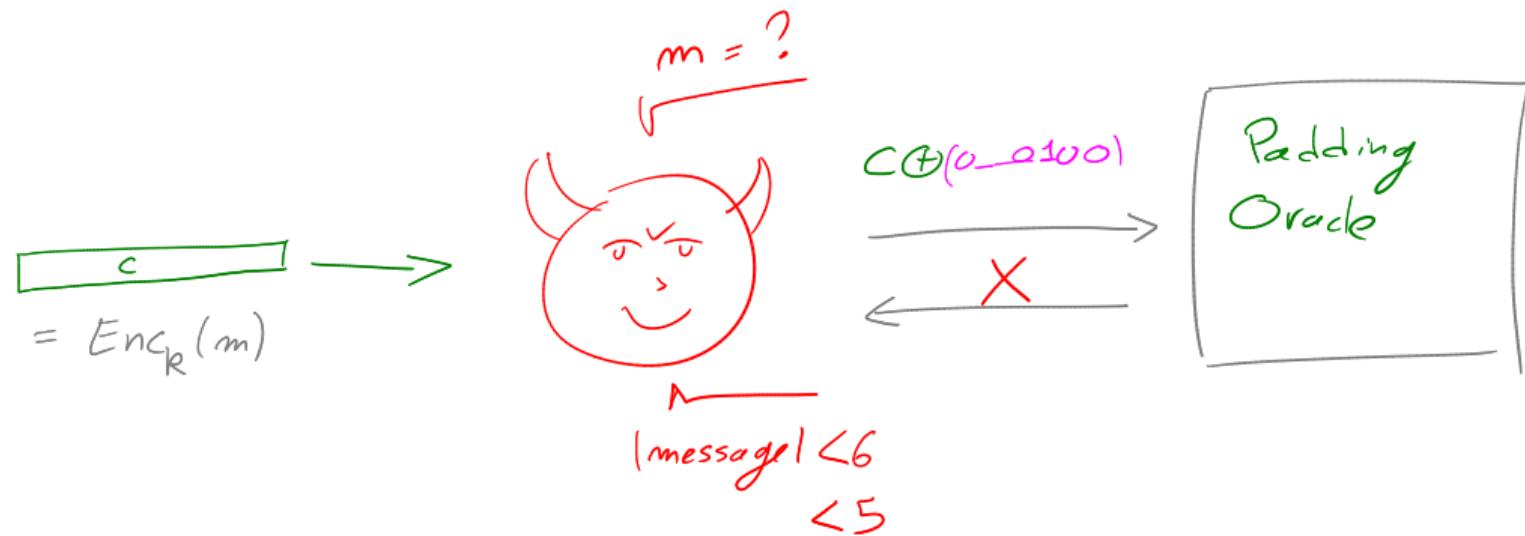
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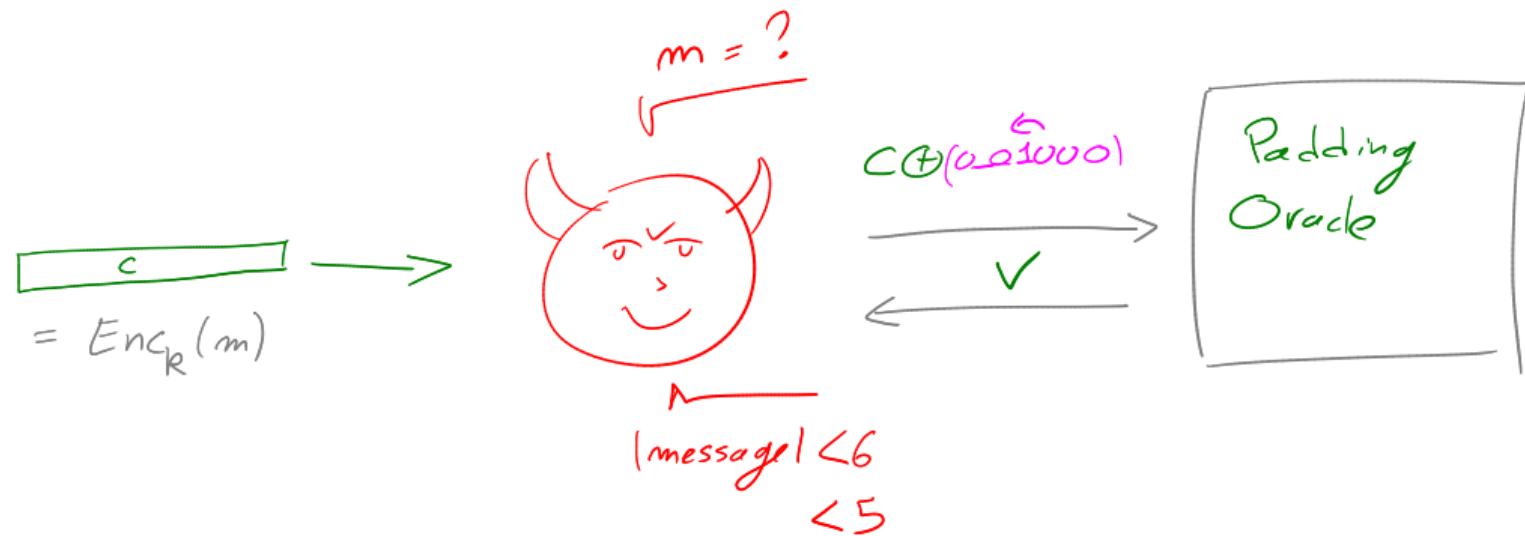
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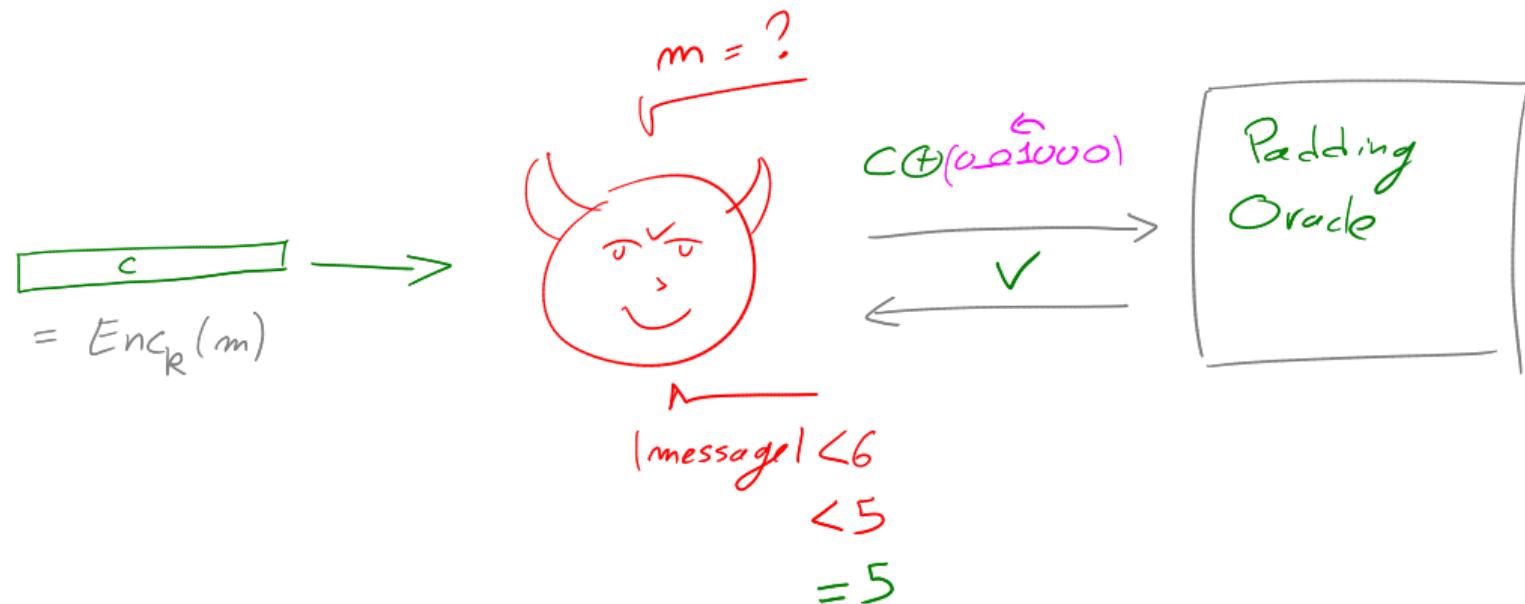
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↳ if valid padding,  $\text{?} = 0$ , else  $\text{?} \neq 0$ !

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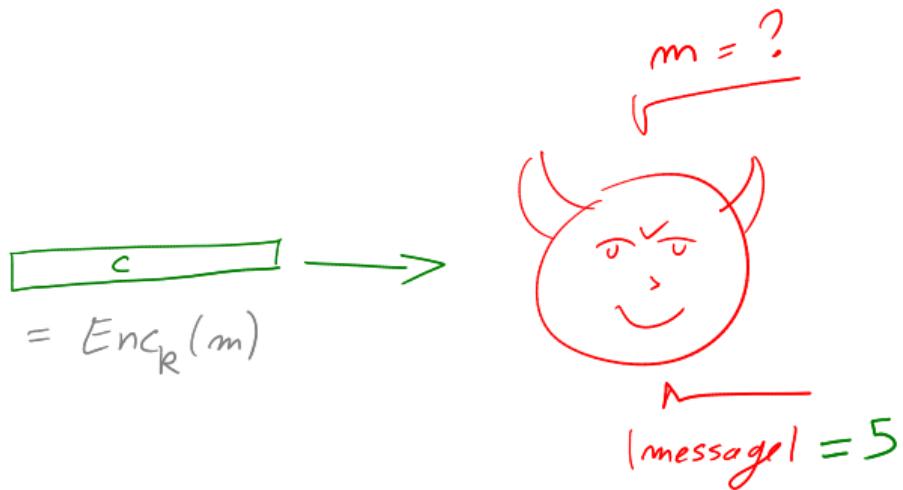
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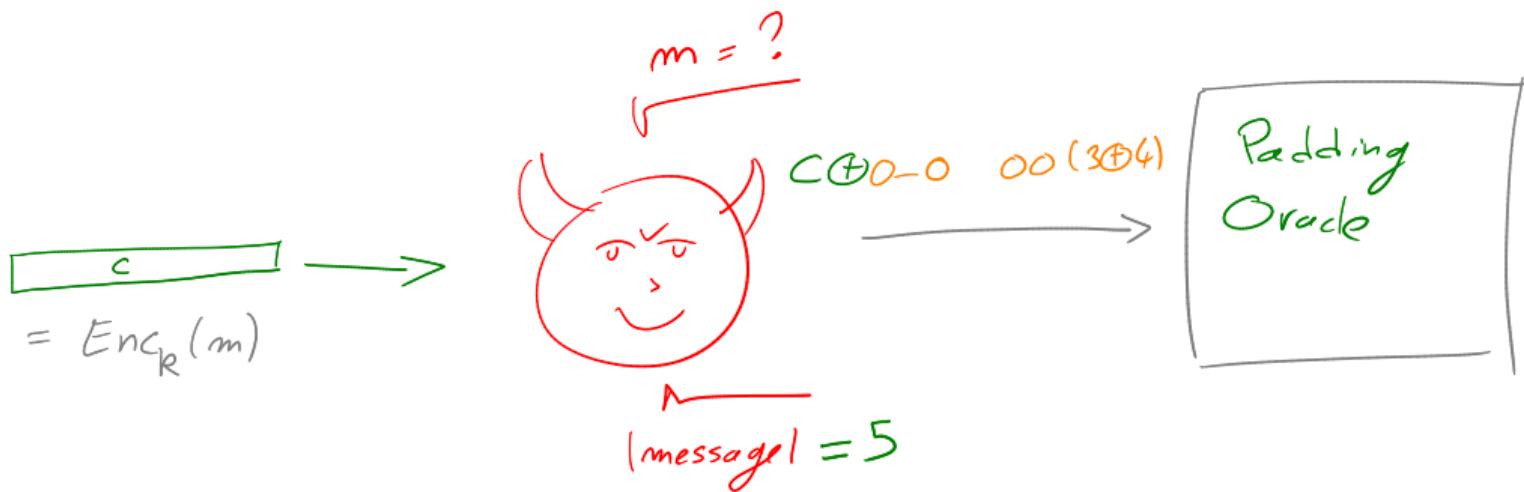
I just loop  
for all  $x$ !



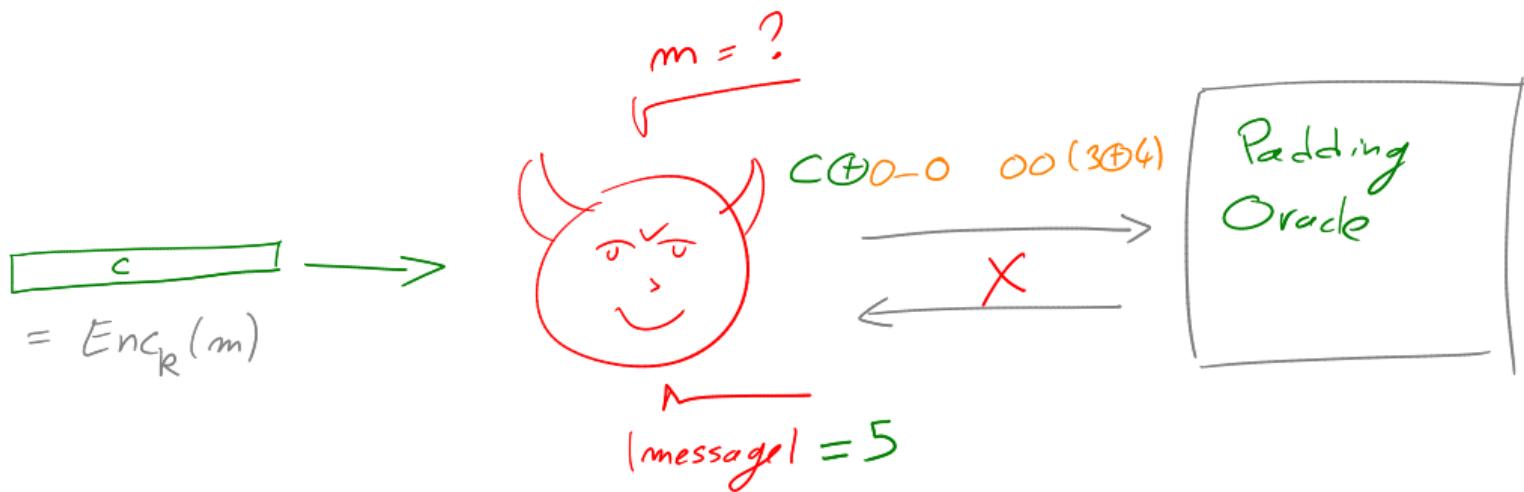
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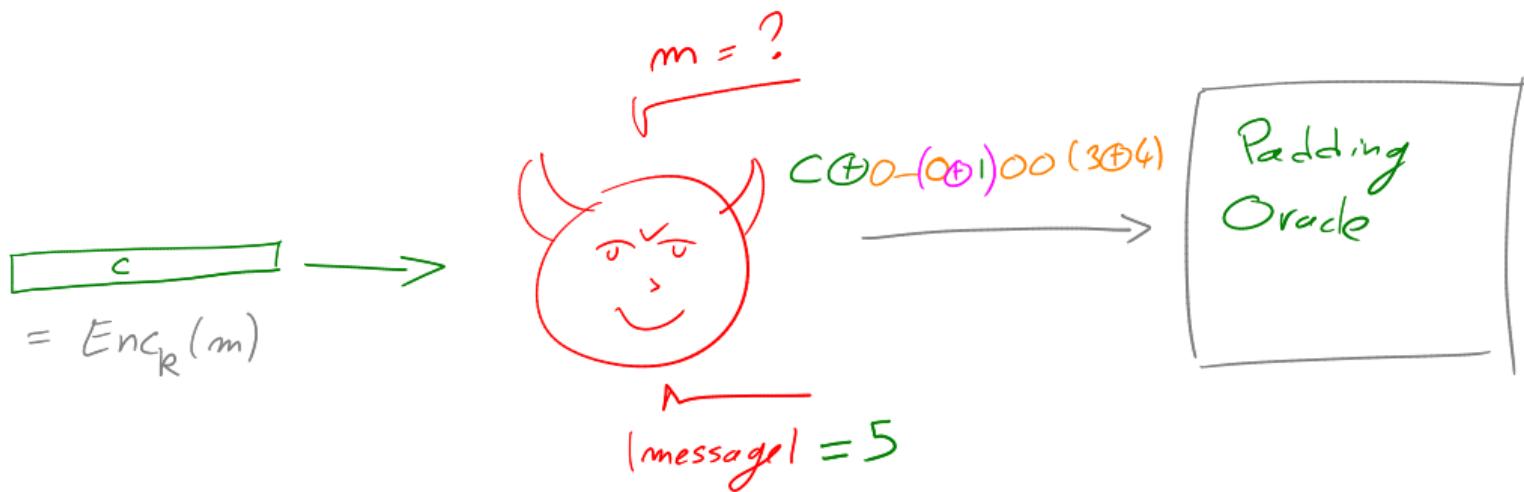
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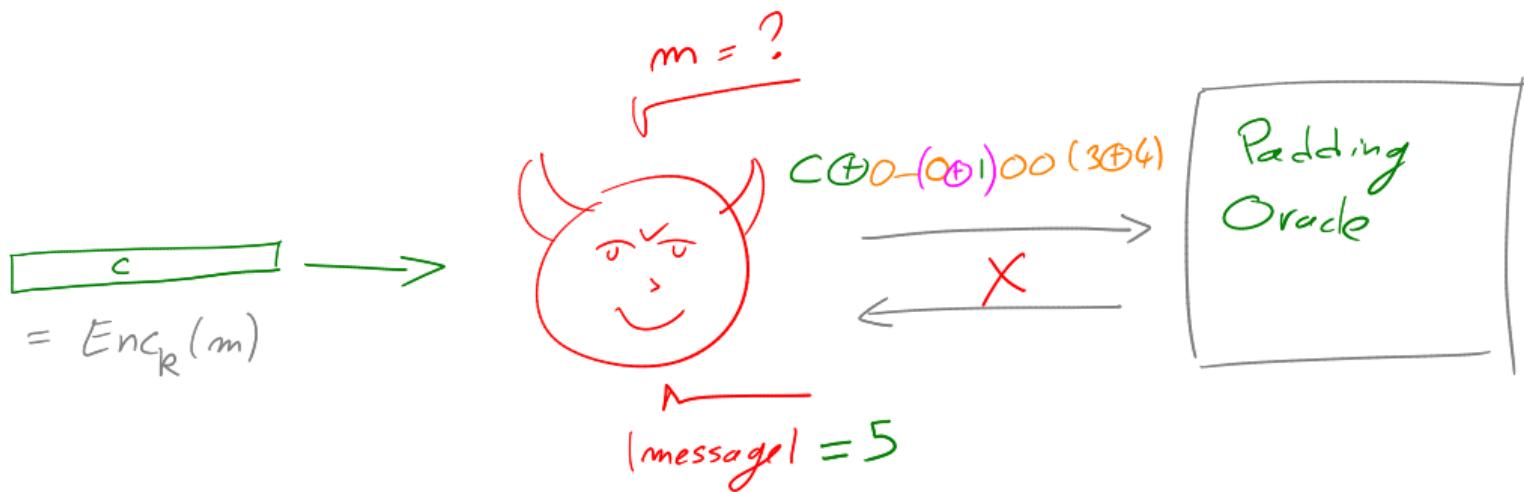
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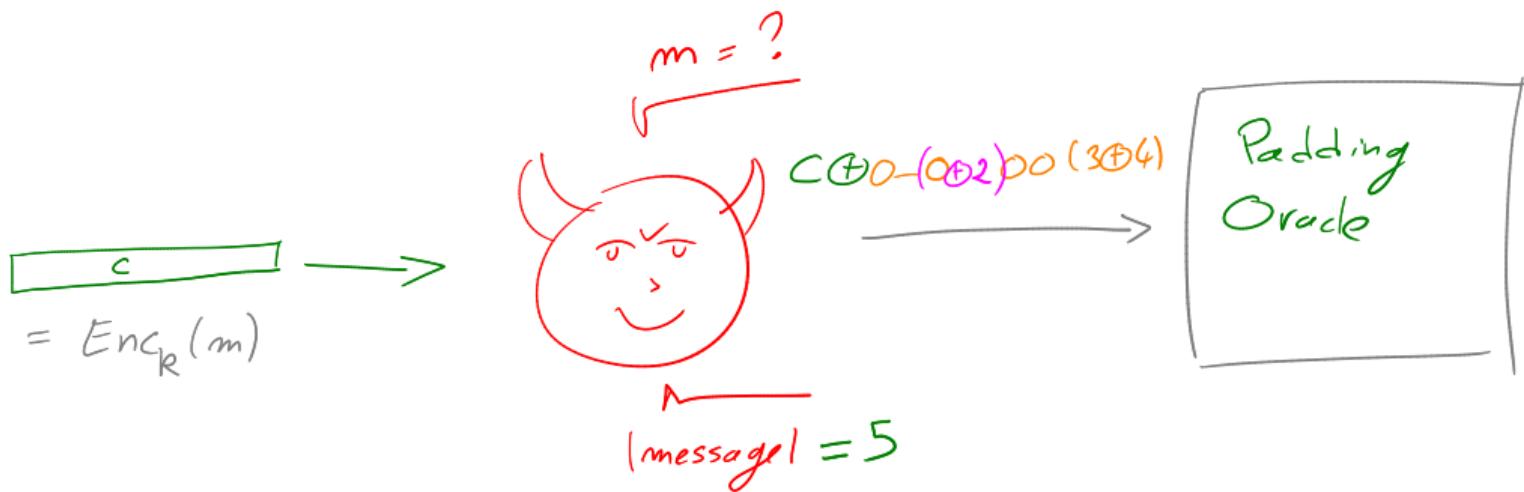
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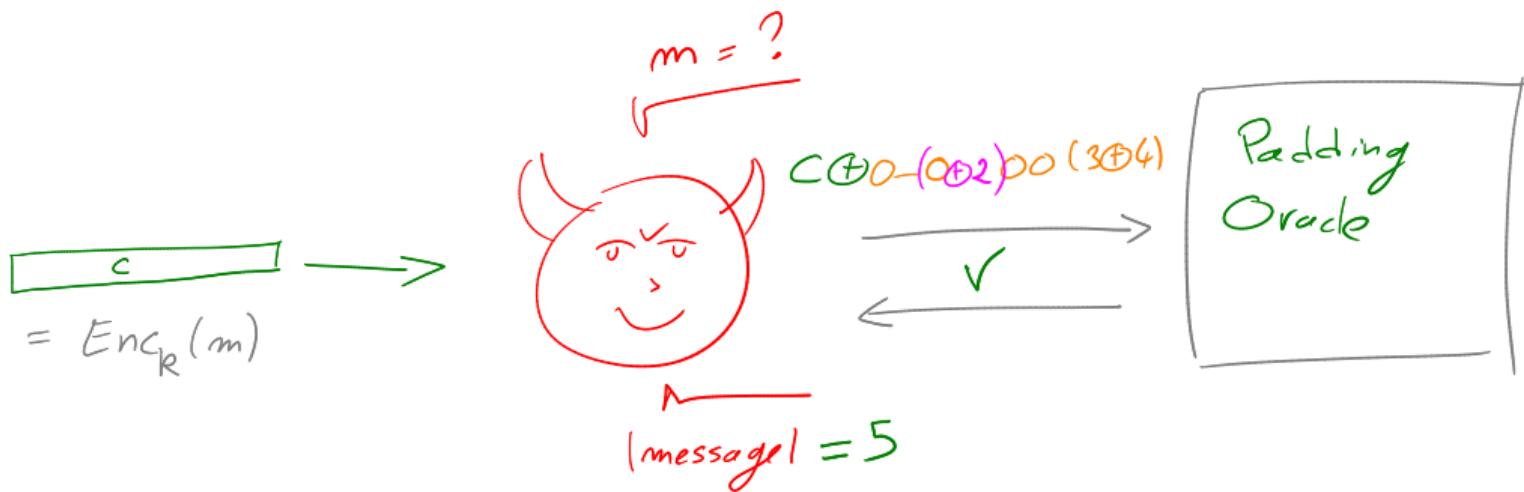
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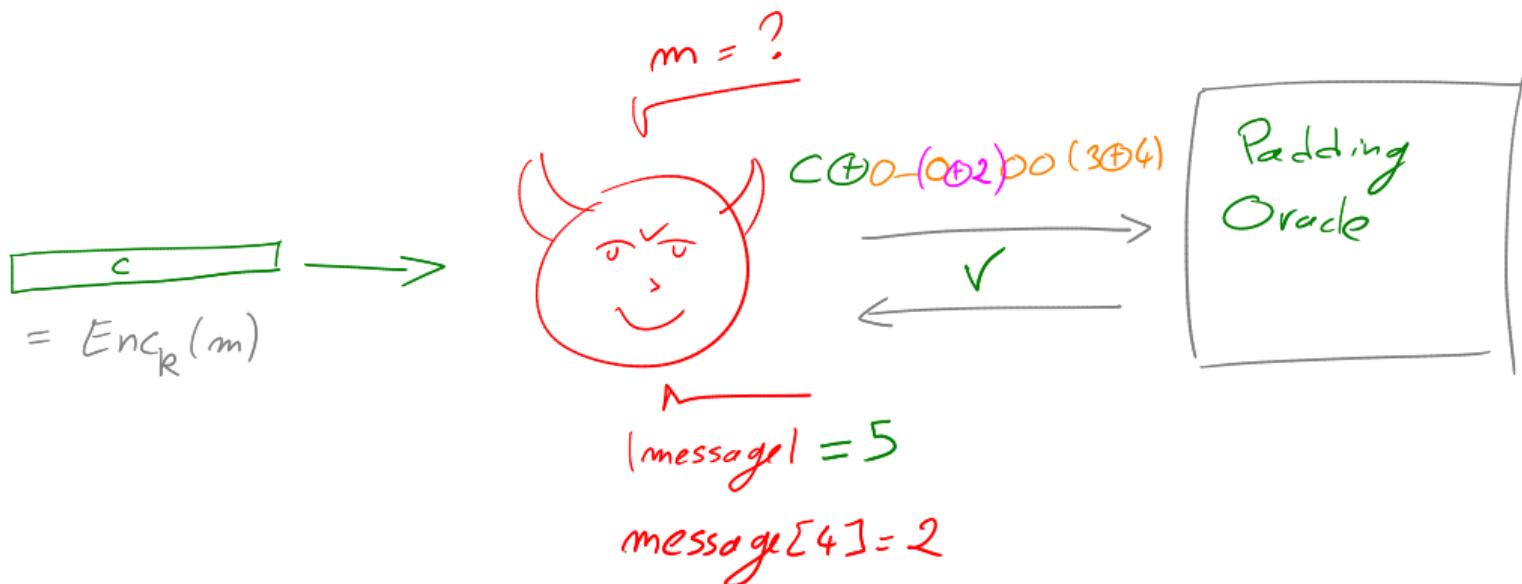
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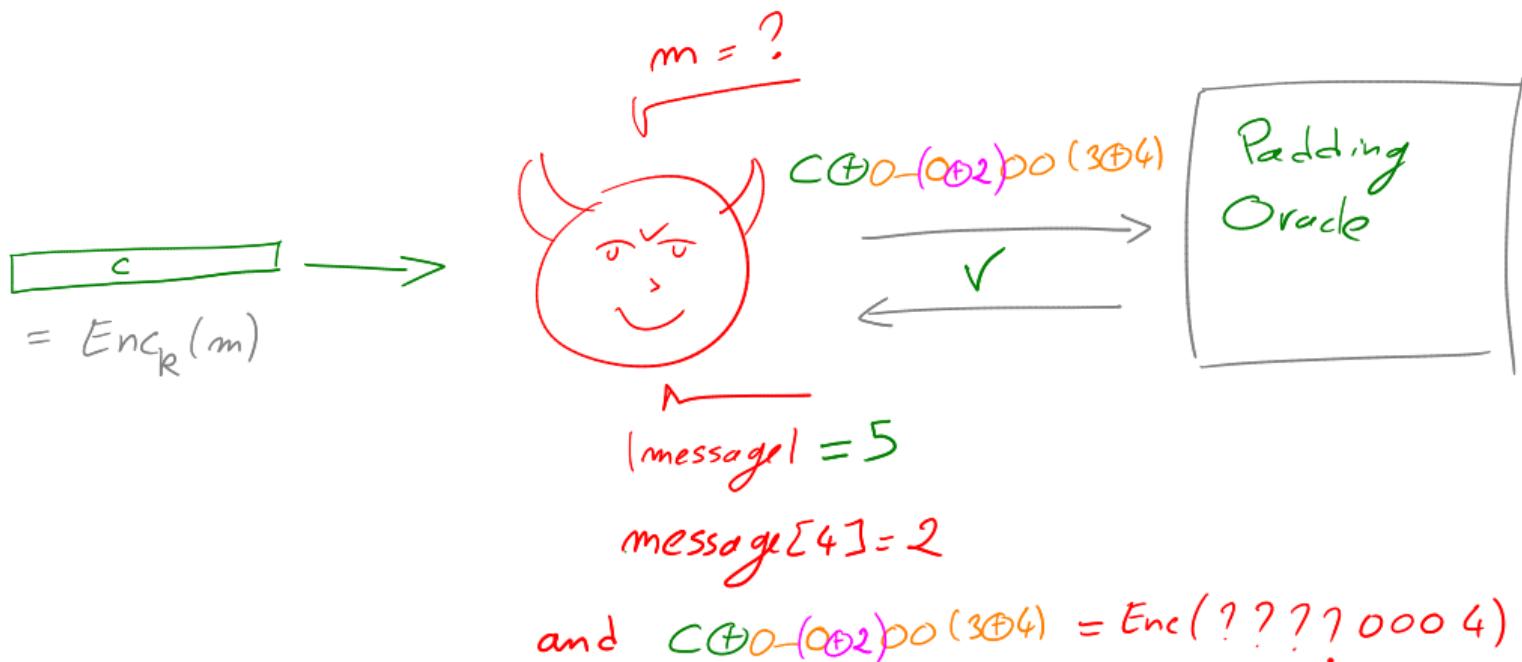
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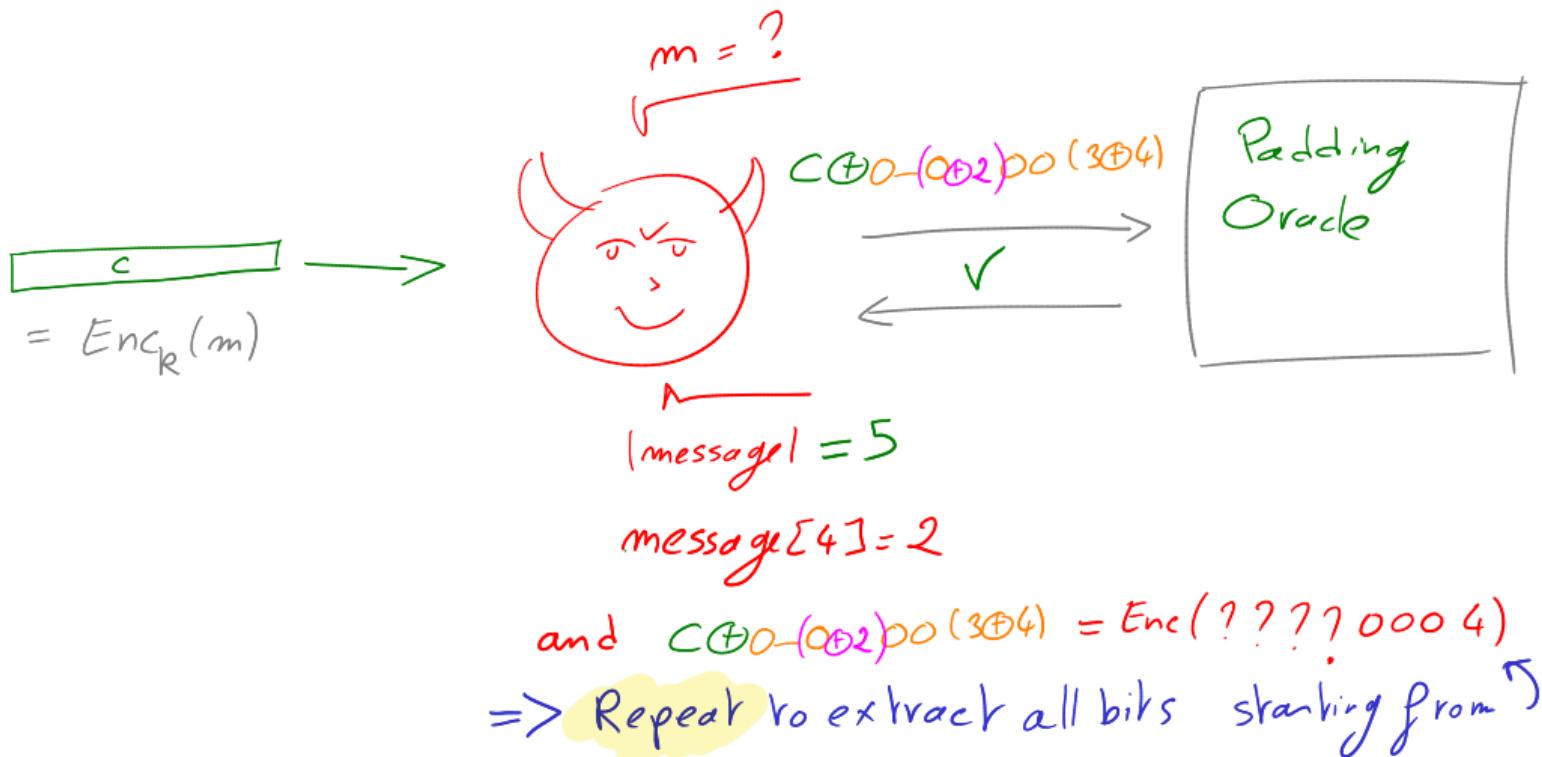
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# Limitation of IND-CPA security

Fundamental issue: not padding, but server behaves **differently based on the decrypted value.**

In practice, this is **extremely common** and hard to avoid (e.g. it takes maybe a bit longer to decrypt some messages, or does different operations based on the decrypted value...)

⇒ **We need a more resilient security definition:** allow attacker to decrypt arbitrary messages = IND-CCA!

# IND-CCA security

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## IND-CCA

Let  $\Sigma$  be an encryption scheme. We say that  $\Sigma$  has indistinguishable security against **chosen-ciphertext attacks (IND-CCA)** if:

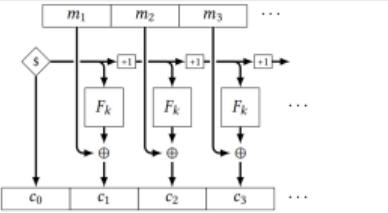
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$\approx$

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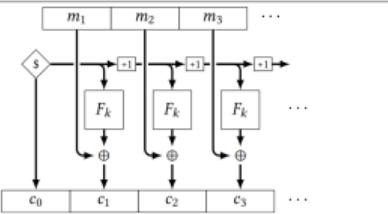
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Fundamental reason: CTR is **malleable**, i.e. we can obtain

$\text{Enc}_k(x') = (c_0, x' \oplus F_k(c_0))$  from  $\text{Enc}_k(x) = (c_0, x \oplus F_k(c_0))$  (just add  $x \oplus x'$  to the second element of the tuple).

Problem in real life: e.g. we can turn a “Yes” into a “No”.

How to prevent this? **Authentication!** (later course)

# Conclusion

- OTP is statistically secure if **used once**
- A first notion of security against passive adversary is **IND-CPA**
- PRF  $\Rightarrow$  IND-CPA secure schemes
- **Birthday paradox** = may need to double the size of key
- **Block-cipher modes** = encrypt efficiently arbitrarily long messages (padding sometimes necessary)
- CTR mode has good properties (but wait GCM)
- **AES** = standardized PRP (hence PRF) used in block-cipher modes
- **Malleable** encryption  $\Rightarrow$  attacks against active adversaries (e.g. padding oracle/timing attacks)
- Spoiler: Authentication will help us!