

# A generic hybrid construction of CPA encryption based on secure PRF

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# Construction

- $\varepsilon = (E, D)$  be a cipher, defined over  $(K, M, C)$ .
- $F$  be a *PRF* defined over  $(K', X, K)$ ; so, the output space of  $F$  is the key space of  $\varepsilon$ .
- We define a new cipher  $\varepsilon' = (E', D')$ , defined over  $(K', M, X \times C)$ . As follows:
  - For  $k' \in K'$  and  $m \in M$ ,
$$E'(k', m) := x \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} X, k \leftarrow F(k', x), c \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} E(k, m), \text{ output } (x, c);$$
  - For  $k' \in K'$  and  $c' = (x, c) \in X \times C$ ,
$$D'(k', c') := k \leftarrow F(k', x), m \leftarrow D(k, c), \text{ output } m.$$

Clearly,  $\varepsilon'$  is a probabilistic cipher.

Then,  $\varepsilon'$  is *CPA* encryption based on secure *PRF*.

# Theorem and proof idea

- **Theorem.** If  $F$  is a secure  $PRF$ ,  $\varepsilon$  is a semantically secure cipher, and  $N := |X|$  is super-poly, then the cipher  $\varepsilon'$  described above is a **CPA secure cipher**.
  - For a  $CPA$  adversary  $A$  that attacks  $\varepsilon'$ , and it makes at most  $Q$  queries to its challenger, there exists a  $PRF$  adversary  $B_F$  to attacks  $F$ , and an  $SS$  adversary  $B_\varepsilon$  that attacks  $\varepsilon$ , where both  $B_F$  and  $B_\varepsilon$  are elementary wrappers around  $A$ , such that

$$CPAadv[A, \varepsilon'] \leq \frac{Q^2}{N} + 2 \cdot PRFadv[B_F, F] + Q \cdot SSadv[B_\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$$

- Its bit guessing version:

$$CPAadv^*[A, \varepsilon'] \leq \frac{Q^2}{2N} + PRFadv[B_F, F] + Q \cdot SSadv[B_\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$$

# Basic strategy of the proof

- Define several games: Game 0, Game 1, Game 2, and Game 3. Each of these games is played between  $A$  and a different challenger. In each of these games,  $b$  denotes the random bit chosen by the challenger, while  $b'$  denotes the bit output by  $A$ . Also, for  $j = 0, \dots, 3$ , we define  $W_j$  to be the event that  $b' = b$  in Game  $j$ .
- The proof idea is to make sure for  $j = 1, \dots, 3$ :
$$|Pr[W_j] - Pr[W_{j-1}]| = \textit{negligible}$$

# Game 0

Game 0 plays between  $A$  and the challenger in the bit-guessing version of *CPA security* attack game. The challenger runs:

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 $b \xleftarrow{R} \{0,1\}$ 
 $k' \xleftarrow{R} K'$ 
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $Q$  do
     $x_i \xleftarrow{R} X$ 
     $k_i \leftarrow F(k', x_i)$ 

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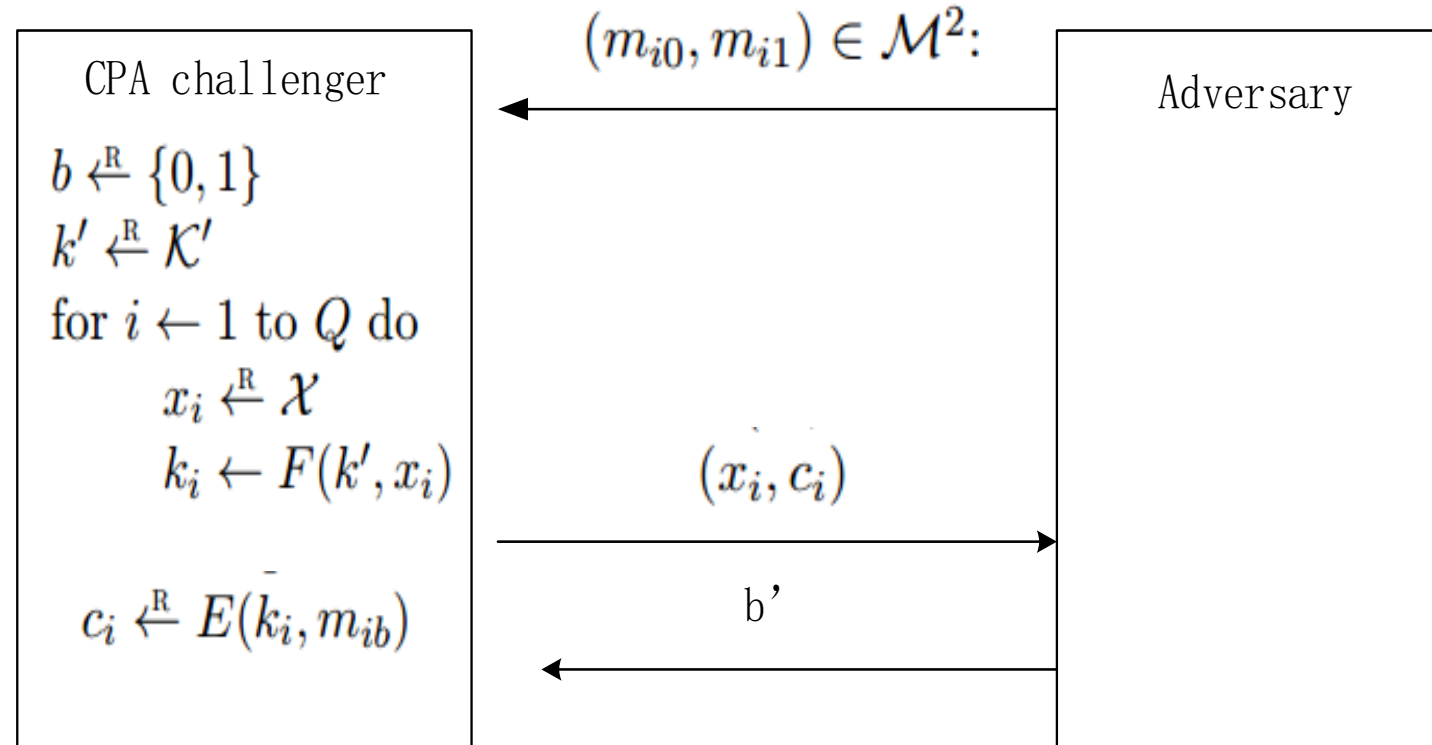
upon receiving the  $i$ th query  $(m_{i0}, m_{i1}) \in M^2$ ;

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     $c_i \xleftarrow{R} E(k_i, m_{ib})$ 

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send  $(x_i, c_i)$  to the adversary.



$$CPAadv^*[A, \varepsilon'] = |Pr[W_0] - 1/2|$$

# Game 1

Game 1 plays “*PRF* card,” replacing  $F(k', \cdot)$  by a truly random function  $f \in \text{Funs}[X, K]$ . The challenger runs:

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 $b \xleftarrow{R} \{0, 1\}$ 
 $f \xleftarrow{R} \text{Funs}[X, K]$ 
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $Q$  do
     $x_i \xleftarrow{R} X$ 
     $k_i \leftarrow f(x_i)$ 

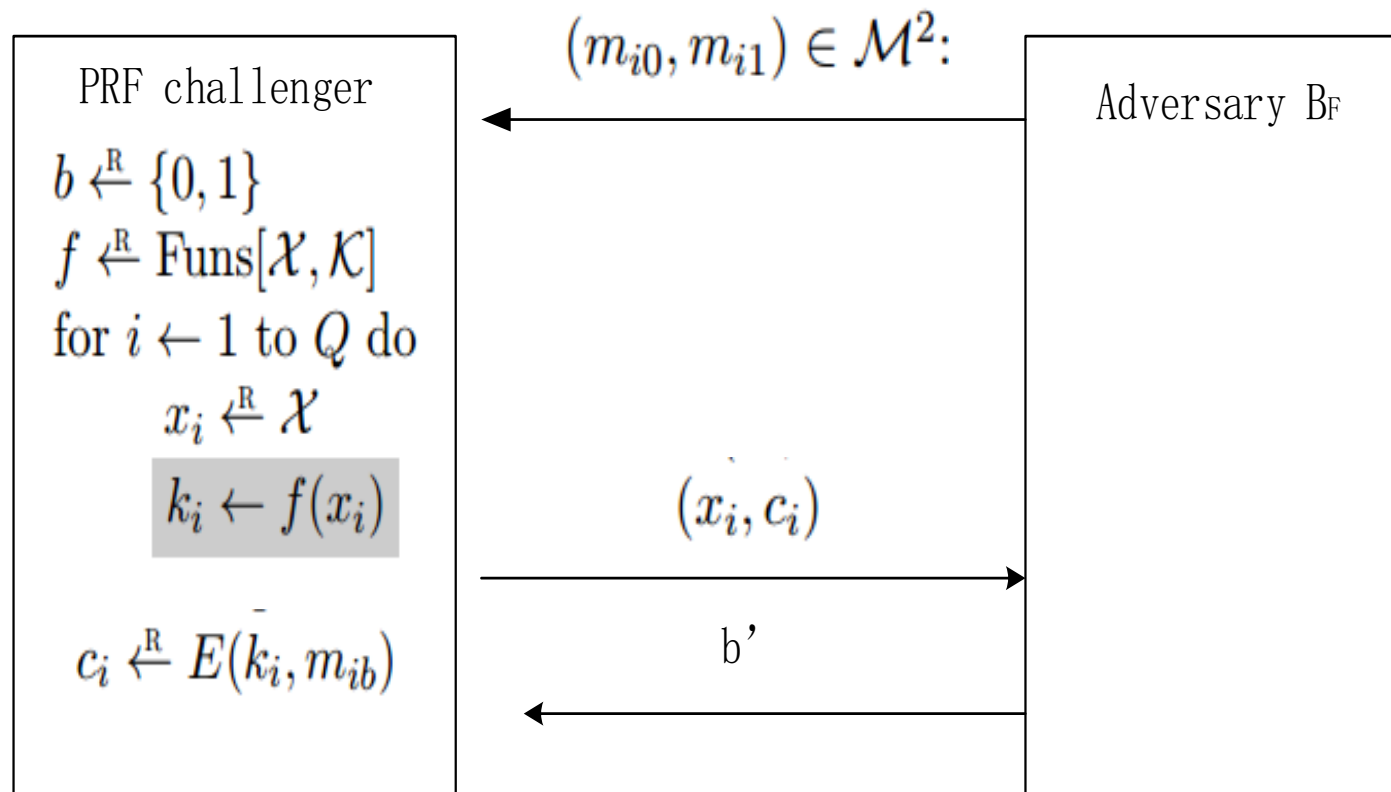
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     $c_i \xleftarrow{R} E(k_i, m_{ib})$ 
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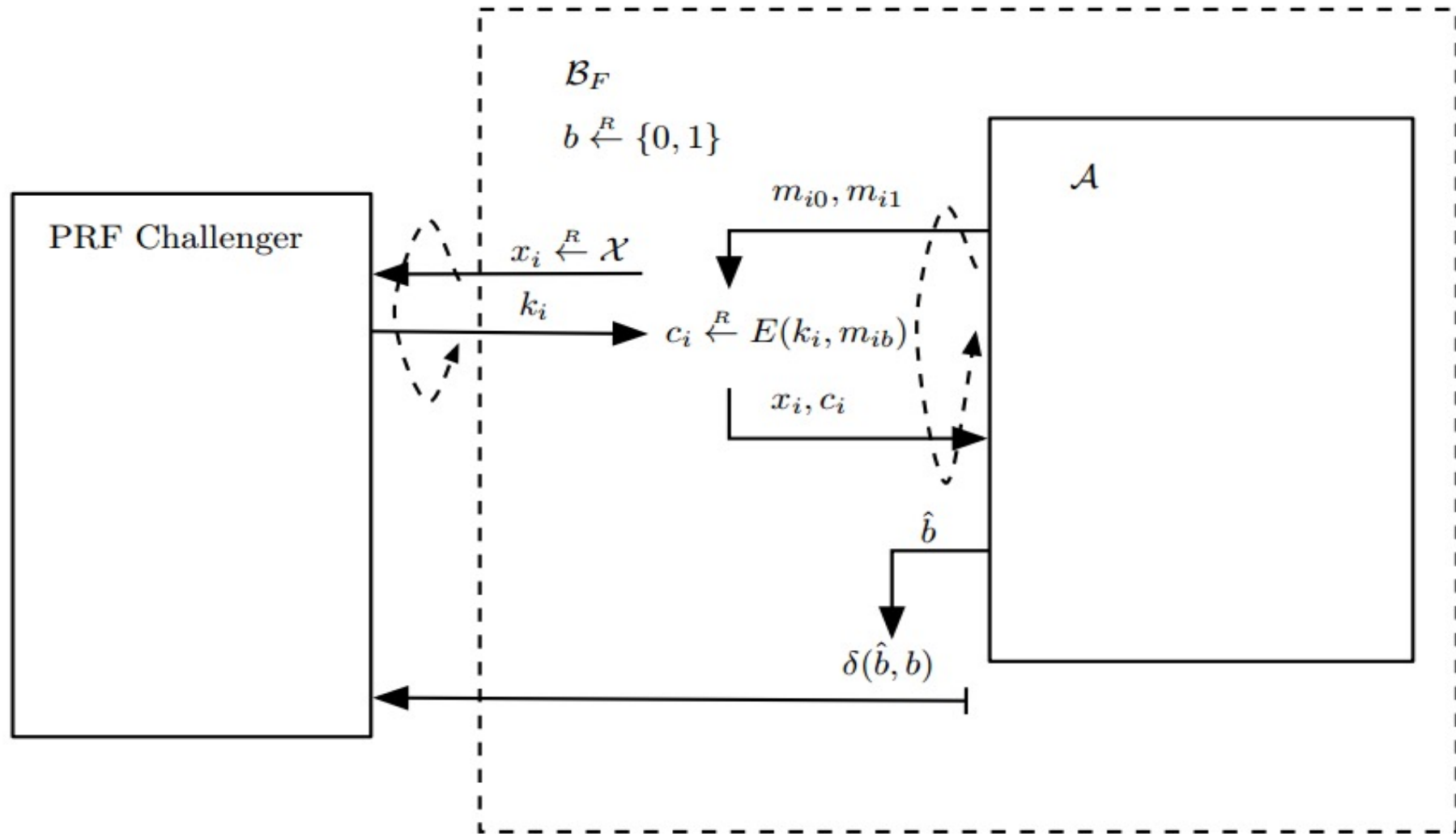
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$$|\Pr[W_1] - \Pr[W_0]| = \text{PRFadv}[B_F, F]$$

$B_F$  is an efficient *PRF* adversary; assuming that  $F$  is a secure PRF, then  $\text{PRFadv}[B_F, F]$  is negligible.

- For Game 0 and Game 1, let adversary  $B_F$  plays the role of challenger to  $A$ .



- Eventually,  $A$  halts and outputs a bit  $b'$ , at which time adversary  $B_F$  halts and outputs 1 if  $b' = b$ , and outputs 0 otherwise.

# Game 2

Game 2 implements the random function  $f$ . Challenger keeps track of the inputs to  $f$ , and detect if the same input is used twice. Challenger runs:

$b \xleftarrow{R} \{0,1\}$   
*for*  $i \leftarrow 1$  *to*  $Q$  *do*

$x_i \xleftarrow{R} X$

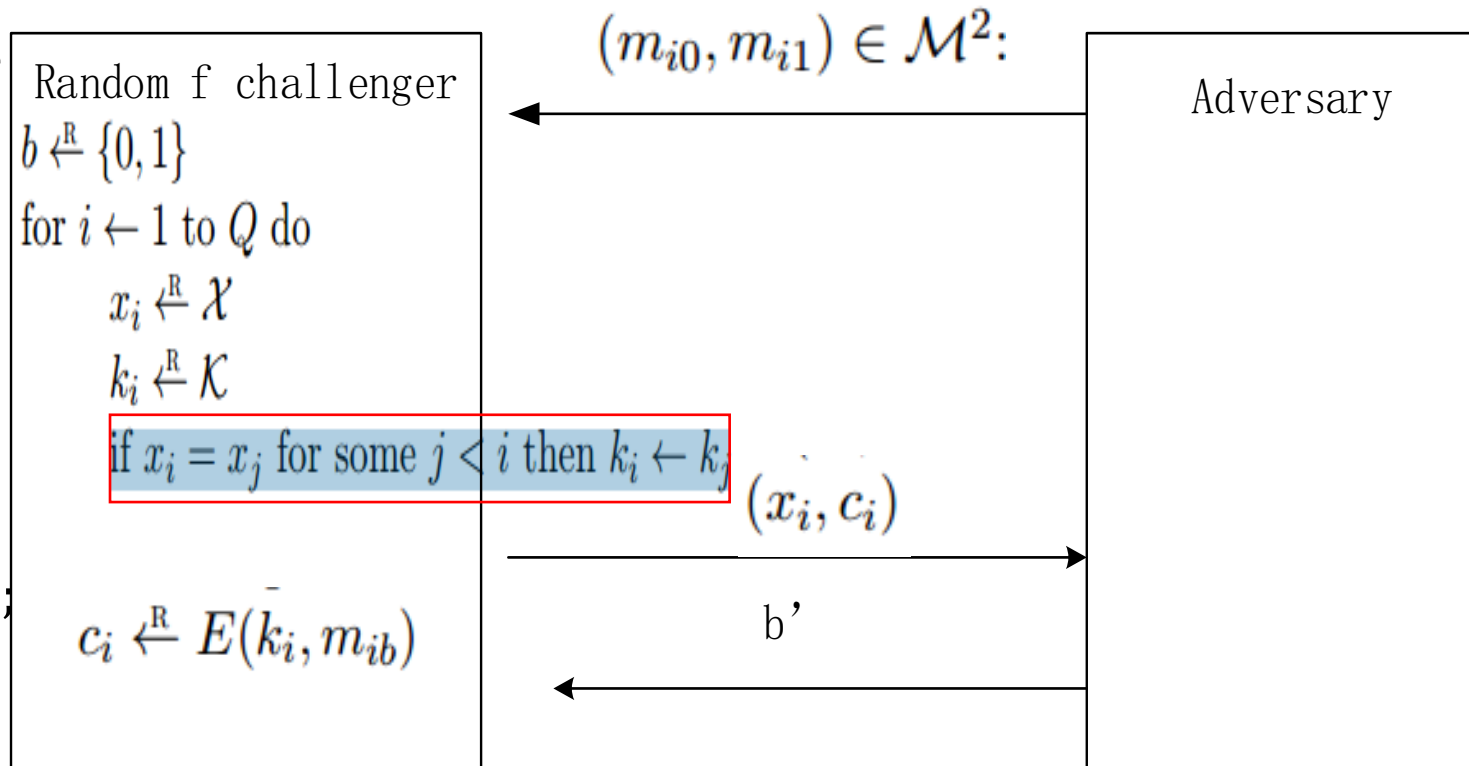
$k_i \xleftarrow{R} K$

*if*  $x_i = x_j$  *for some*  $j < i$  *then*  $k_i \leftarrow k_j$

upon receiving the  $i$ th query  $(m_{i0}, m_{i1}) \in M^2$ ;

$c_i \xleftarrow{R} E(k_i, m_{ib})$

send  $(x_i, c_i)$  to the adversary.



$f$  is a faithful implementation of the random function ,then  $\Pr[W_1] = \Pr[W_2]$



# Game 3

Game3, dropping the highlight line in the previous game2:

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$$b \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}$$

$$\text{for } i \leftarrow 1 \text{ to } Q \text{ do}$$

$$x_i \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} X$$

$$k_i \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} K$$

$$\text{upon receiving the } i\text{th query}$$

$$(m_{i0}, m_{i1}) \in M^2;$$

$$c_i \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} E(k_i, m_{ib})$$

$$\text{send } (x_i, c_i) \text{ to the adversary.}$$

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- Define  $Z$  to be the event that  $x_i = x_j$  for some  $i \neq j$ . Games 2 and 3 proceed identically unless  $Z$  occurs; particularly,  $W_2 \wedge \bar{Z}$  occurs if and only if  $W_3 \wedge \bar{Z}$  occurs. Applying the Difference Lemma, we have
$$|\Pr[W_3] - \Pr[W_2]| \leq \Pr[Z]$$

Because there are less than  $\frac{Q^2}{2}$  such events, each event occurs with probability  $\frac{1}{N}$ .

$$\text{So, } \Pr[Z] \leq \frac{Q^2}{2N}$$

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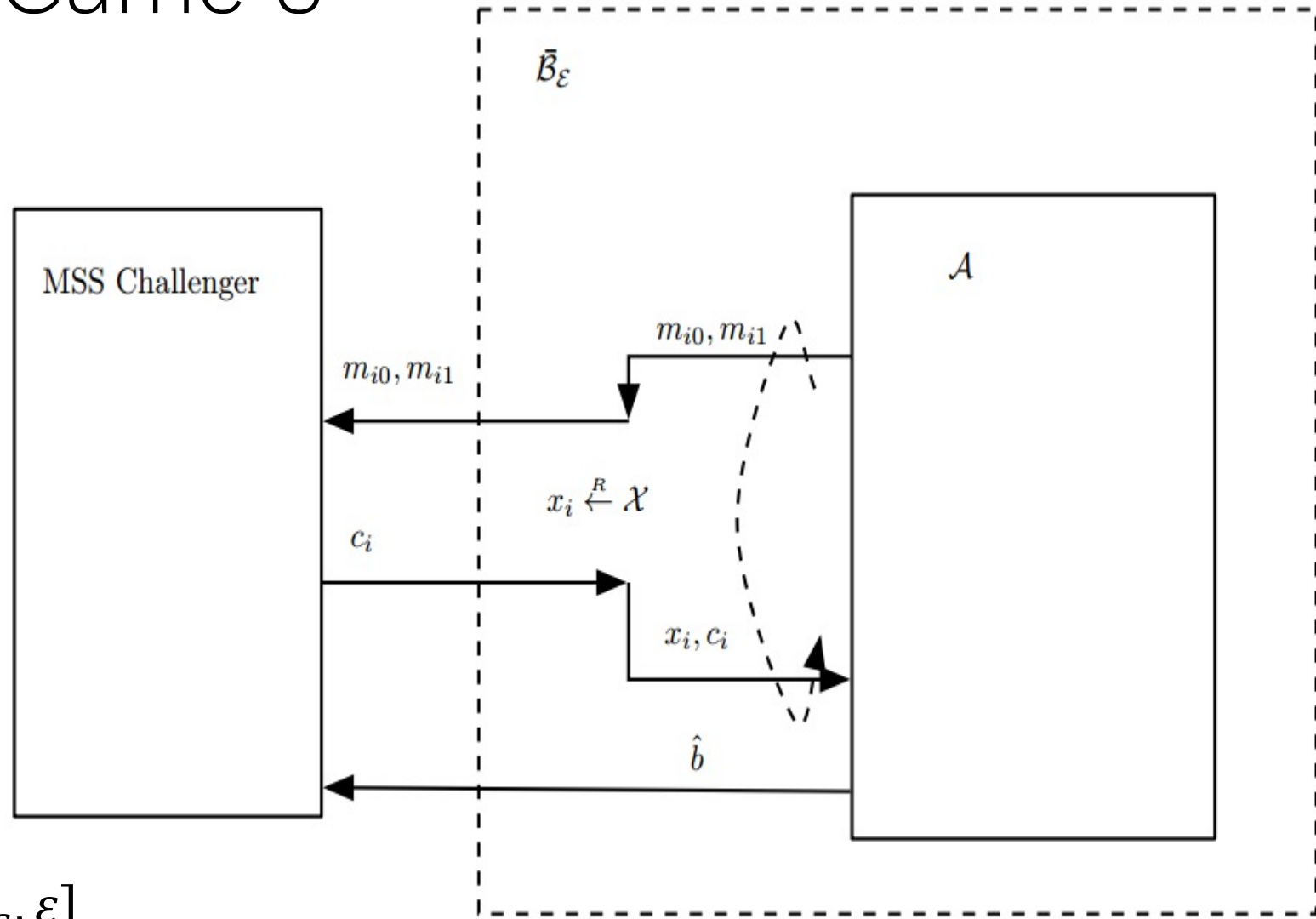
$\bar{B}_\varepsilon$  is a multi-key semantic security adversary, playing multi-key semantic security attack with *MSS* challenger. It makes at most  $Q$  queries.

Adversary  $\bar{B}_\varepsilon$  plays the role of challenger to  $A$ . Then


$$\left| \Pr[W_3] - \frac{1}{2} \right| = MSSadv^*[\bar{B}_\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$$

Game3, independent encryption keys  $k_i$  are used to encrypt each message. So,

$$MSSadv^*[\bar{B}_\varepsilon, \varepsilon] = Q \cdot SSadv^*[B_\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$$



*Putting together:*

- $MSSadv^*[\bar{B}_\varepsilon, \varepsilon] = Q \cdot SSadv^*[B_\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$
- $CPAadv^*[A, \varepsilon'] = |\Pr[W_0] - 1/2|$
- $|\Pr[W_1] - \Pr[W_0]| = PRFadv[B_F, F]$
- $\Pr[W_1] = \Pr[W_2]$
- $|\Pr[W_3] - \Pr[W_2]| \leq \Pr[Z]$
- $\Pr[Z] \leq \frac{Q^2}{2N}$
- $\left| \Pr[W_3] - \frac{1}{2} \right| = MSSadv^*[\bar{B}_\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$
-   $CPAadv^*[A, \varepsilon'] \leq \frac{Q^2}{2N} + PRFadv[B_F, F] + Q \cdot SSadv^*[B_\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$