

# Privacy against eavesdroppers

Indistinguishability in the presence of an eavesdropper:

$\text{PrivK}_{\mathcal{A}, \Pi}^{\text{eav}}(n)$ :

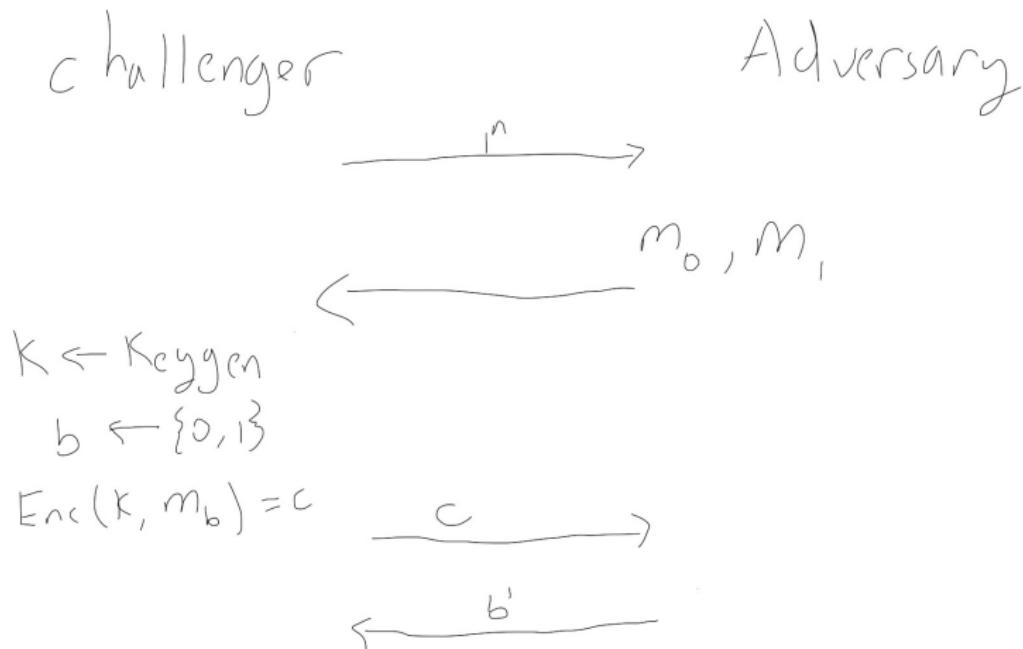
1.  $\mathcal{A}$  is given  $1^n$  and outputs  $m_0$  and  $m_1$  such that  $|m_0| = |m_1| = \ell(n)$ .
2.  $k \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^n)$ ,  $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$ , and  $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}(k, m_b)$ .  
Then  $c$  is given to  $\mathcal{A}$ .
3.  $\mathcal{A}$  outputs a bit  $b'$ .
4. The outcome of the experiment is 1 if  $b = b'$  and 0 otherwise.

## Definition

A **fixed-length** private-key encryption scheme  $\Pi = (\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  has indistinguishable encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper, or is EAV-secure, if for all probabilistic polynomial-time adversaries  $\mathcal{A}$ , there is a negligible function  $\text{negl}$  such that, for all  $n$ ,

$$\Pr[\text{PrivK}_{\mathcal{A}, \Pi}^{\text{eav}}(n) = 1] \leq 1/2 + \text{negl}(n)$$

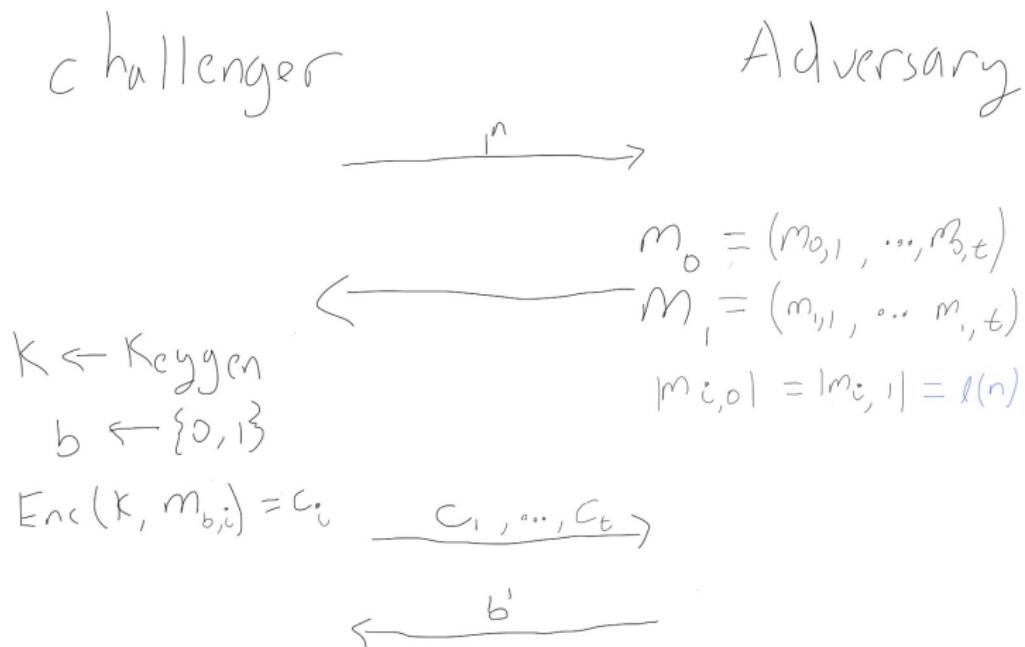
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## Multiple message eavesdropping experiment



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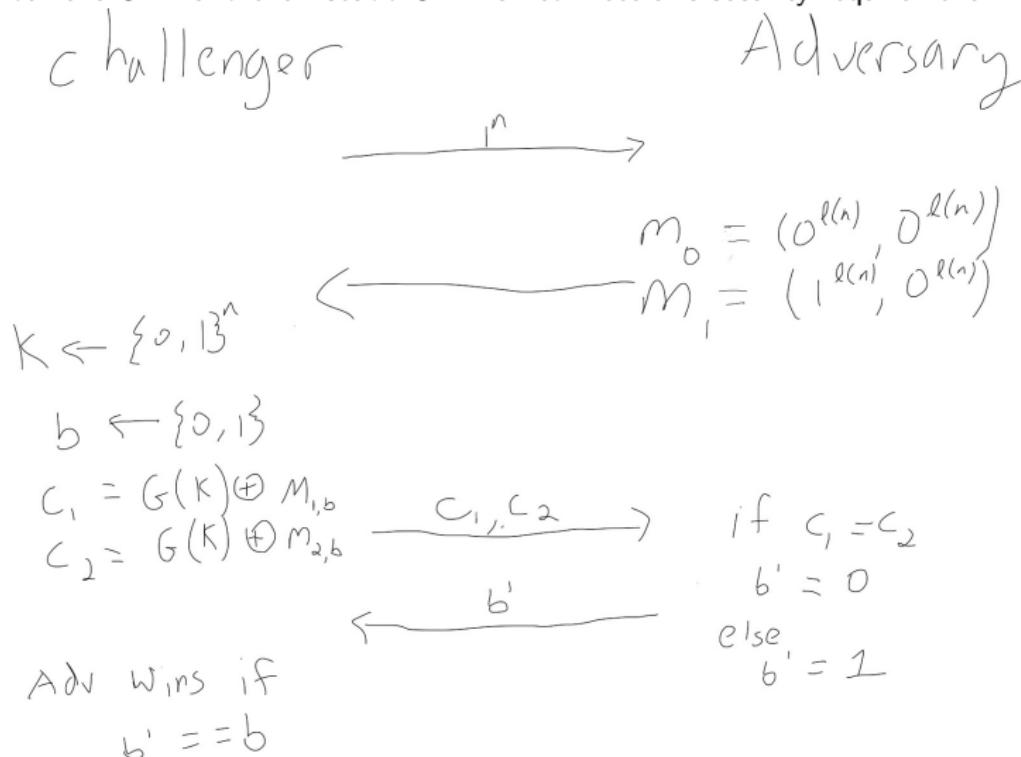
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