

CSCI 1510

- Generic Constructions of Authenticated Encryption (continued)
- Collision-Resistant Hash Function
- Birthday Attacks
- Merkle-Damgård Transform

Encrypt-then-Authenticate

Gen(1^n):

$$k^E \leftarrow \text{Gen}^E(1^n)$$

$$k^M \leftarrow \text{Gen}^M(1^n)$$

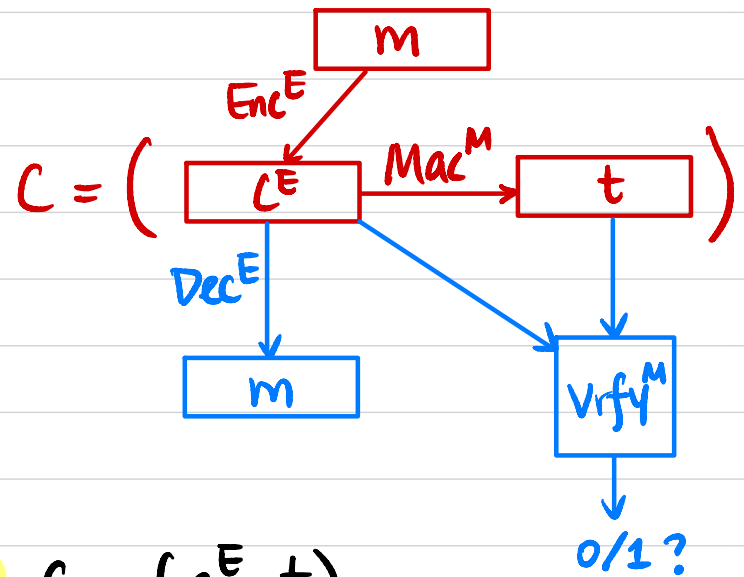
Output $k = (k^E, k^M)$

Enc_k(m):

$$c^E \leftarrow \text{Enc}^E(k^E, m)$$

$$t \leftarrow \text{Mac}^M(k^M, c^E)$$

output $C = (c^E, t)$



Dec_k(C): $C = (c^E, t)$

$$m := \text{Dec}^E(k^E, c^E)$$

$$b := \text{Vrfy}^M(k^M, (c^E, t))$$

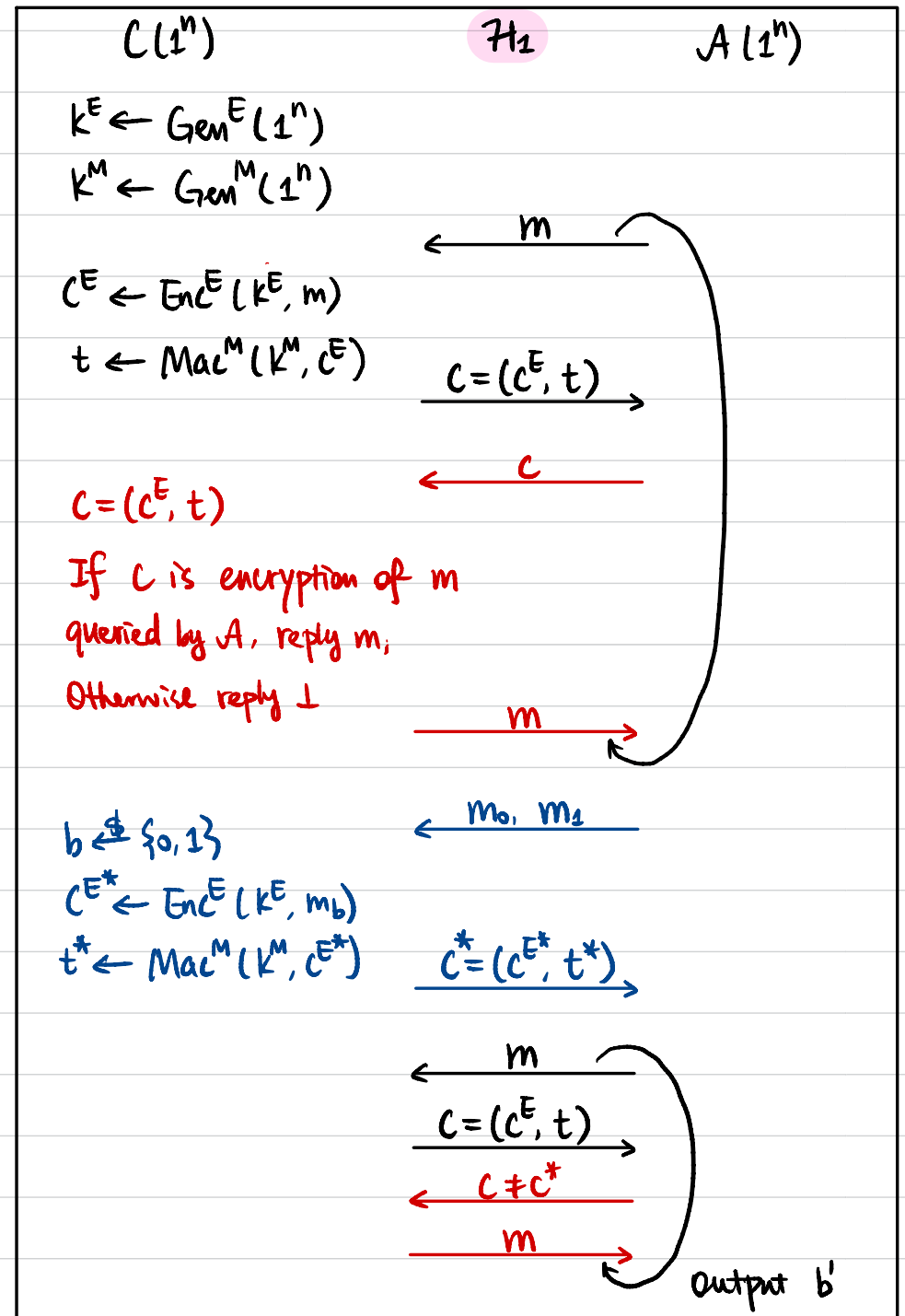
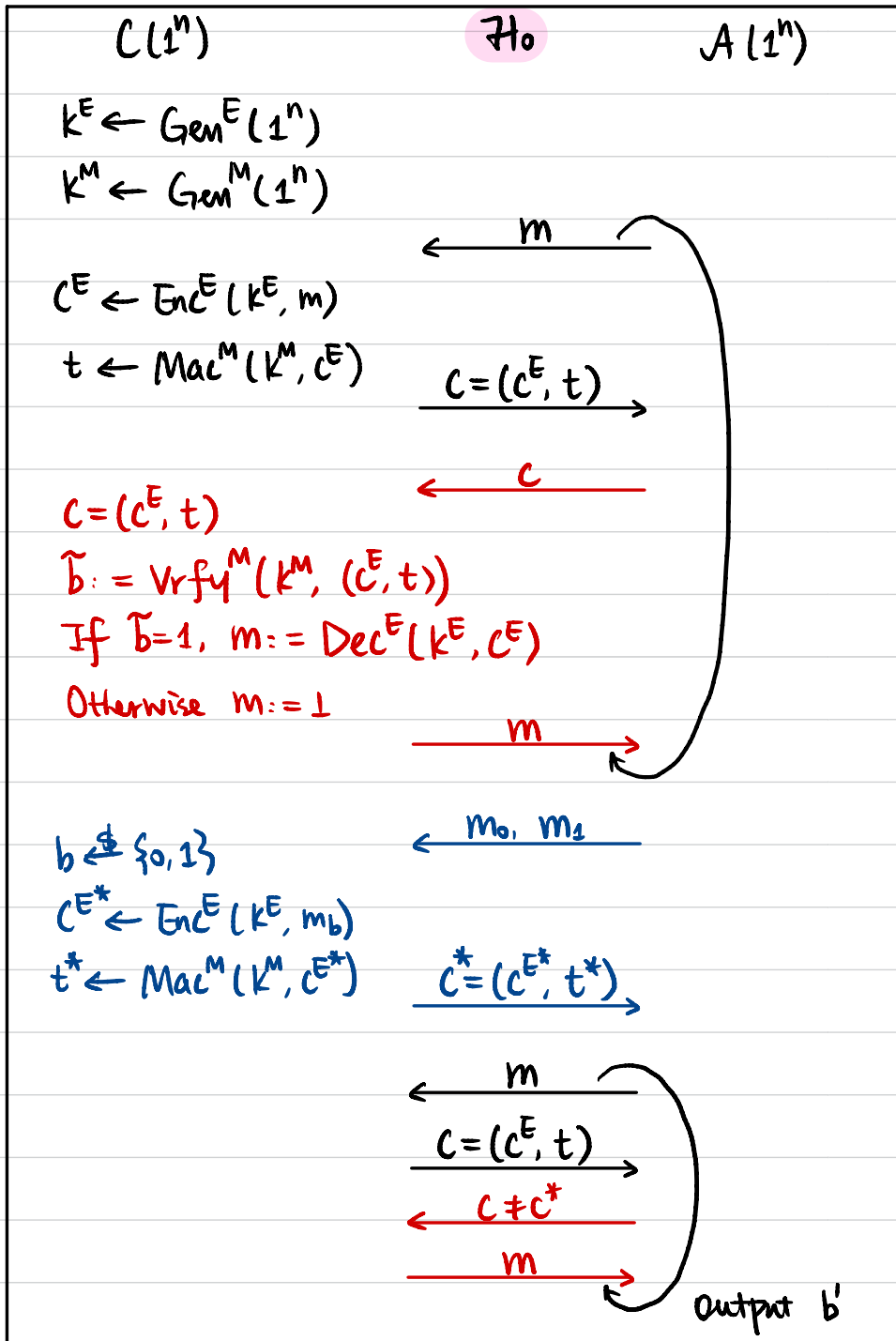
If $b=1$, output m

Otherwise output \perp

Q1: Is it CPA-secure?

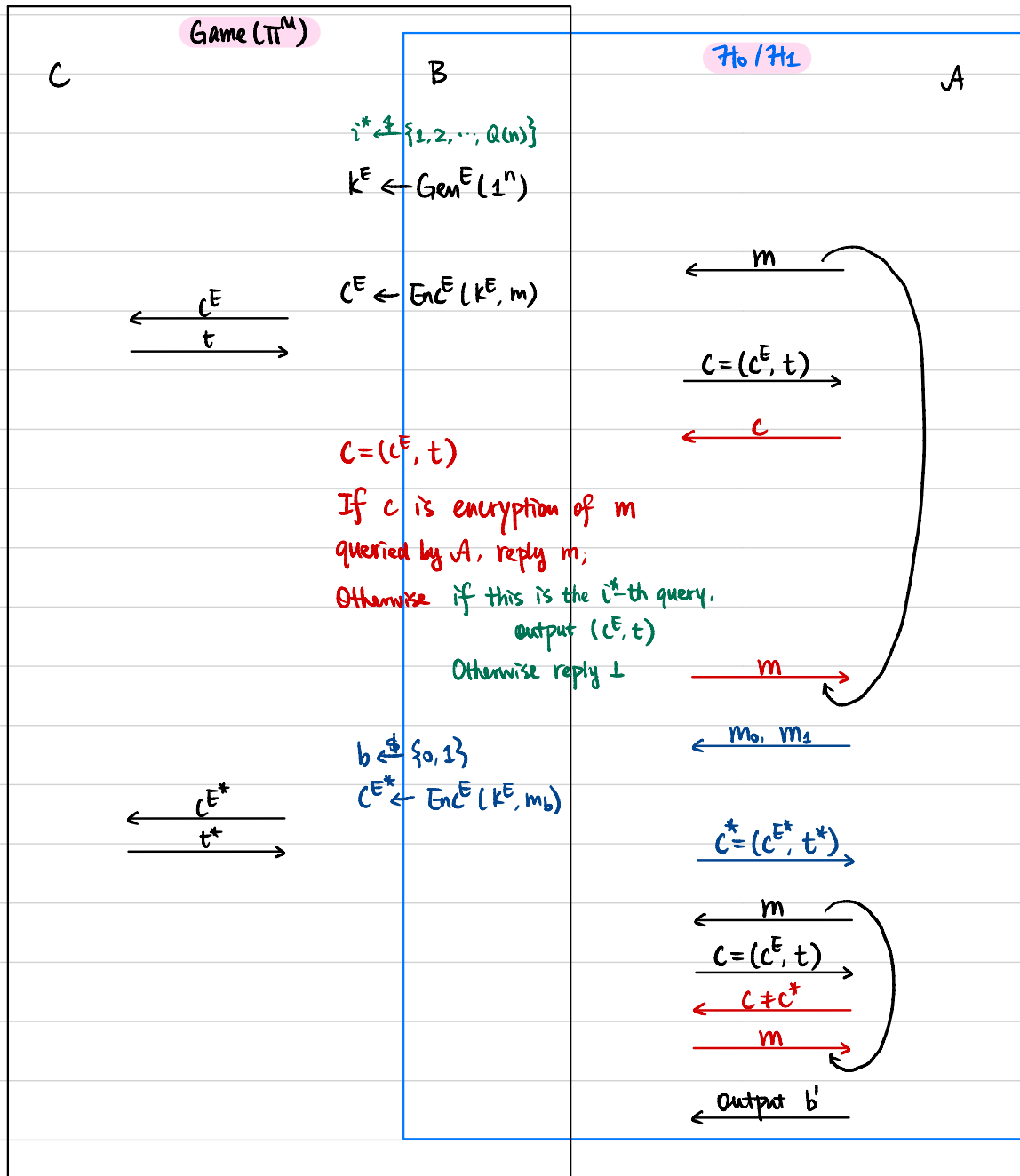
Q2: Is it CCA-secure? **Yes!**

Q3: Is it unforgeable? **(Yes, exercise)**



Lemma 1 VPPT \mathcal{A} , $|\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ outputs } 1 \text{ in } \mathcal{H}_0] - \Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ outputs } 1 \text{ in } \mathcal{H}_1]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$.

Proof Assume not, then \exists PPT \mathcal{A} that distinguishes \mathcal{H}_0 & \mathcal{H}_1 with non-negligible probability $\epsilon(n)$.



It must be the case that \mathcal{A} queries for decryption of a **new, valid** ciphertext with probability at least $\epsilon(n)$.

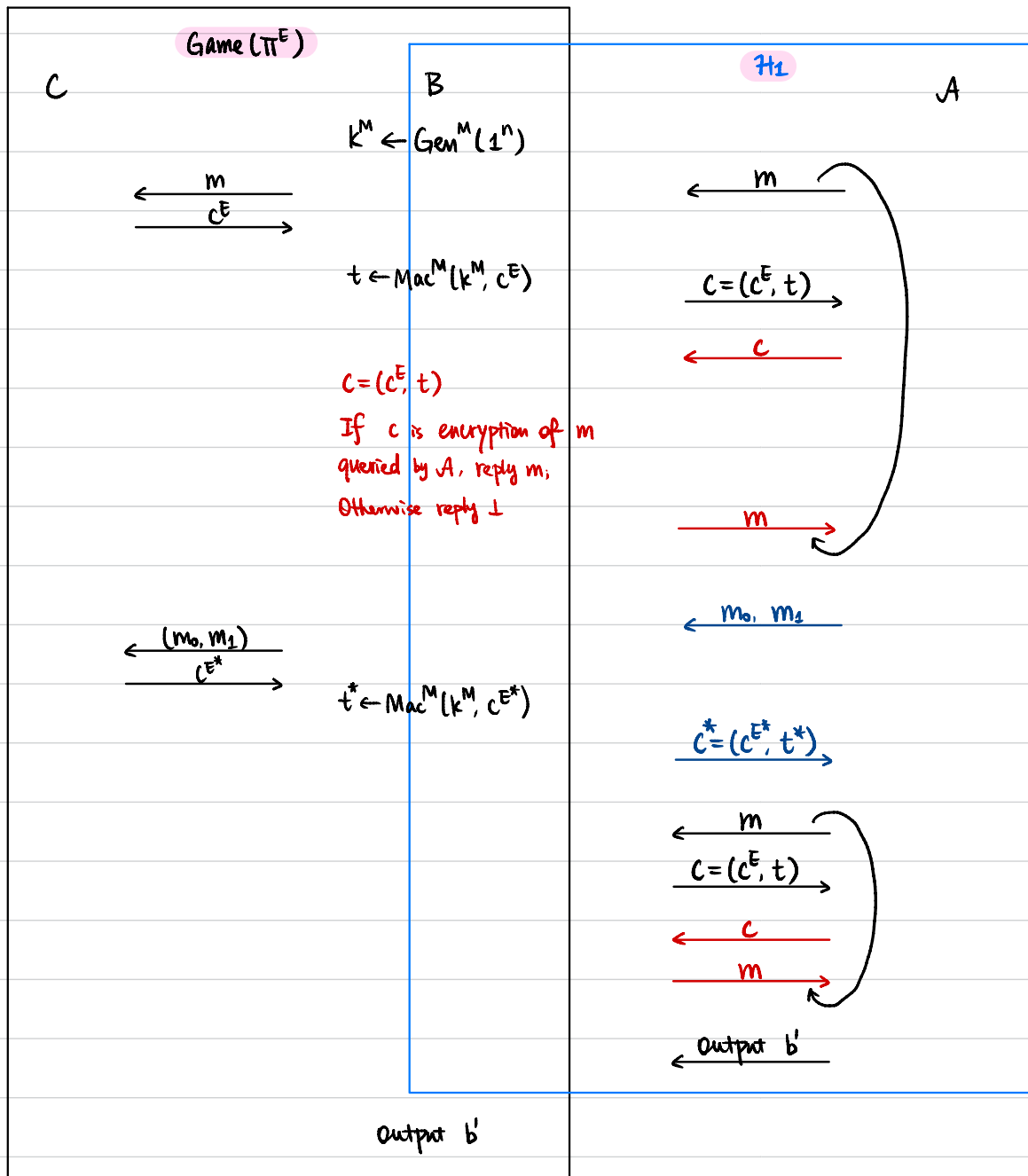
We construct a PPT \mathcal{B} to break the strong security of Π^M .

$Q(n) := \max \#$ of queries by \mathcal{A} .

$\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ outputs a valid new pair } (c^E, t)] \geq \epsilon(n) \cdot \frac{1}{Q(n)} \rightarrow \text{non-negligible}$

Lemma 2 \forall PPT A , $|\Pr[b=b' \text{ in } \mathcal{H}_2]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$.

Proof Assume not, then \exists PPT A s.t. $|\Pr[b=b' \text{ in } \mathcal{H}_2]| \geq \text{non-negl}(n)$.



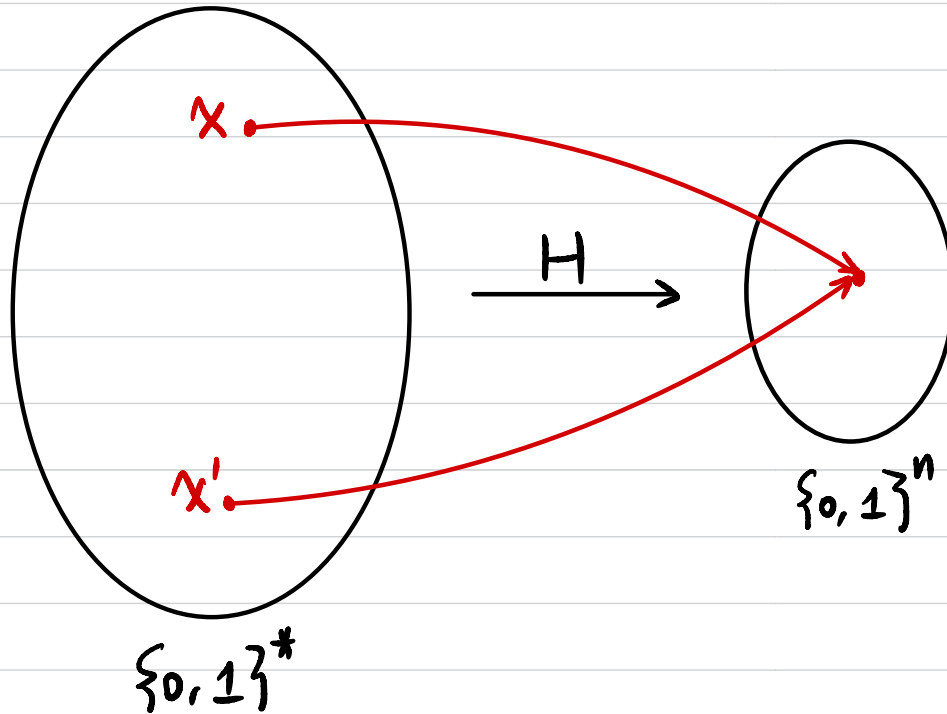
We construct a PPT B to break the CPA-security of Π^E .

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr[B \text{ outputs } b=b' \text{ in CPA-game } (\Pi^E)] \\ &= \Pr[A \text{ outputs } b=b' \text{ in } \mathcal{H}_2] \\ &\geq \text{non-negl}(n) + \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Cryptographic Hash Function

$$H: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$$

\forall PPT A , $\Pr[A \text{ finds a collision}] \leq \text{negl}(n)$?



\exists PPT $A^*(x, x')$:
output x, x'

Collision-Resistant Hash Function (CRHF):

It's computationally hard to find $x, x' \in \{0,1\}^*$ s.t.

$$x \neq x', \quad H(x) = H(x') \quad (\text{collision})$$

Collision-Resistant Hash Function (CRHF)

• Syntax:

A hash function is defined by a pair of PPT algorithms (Gen, H) :

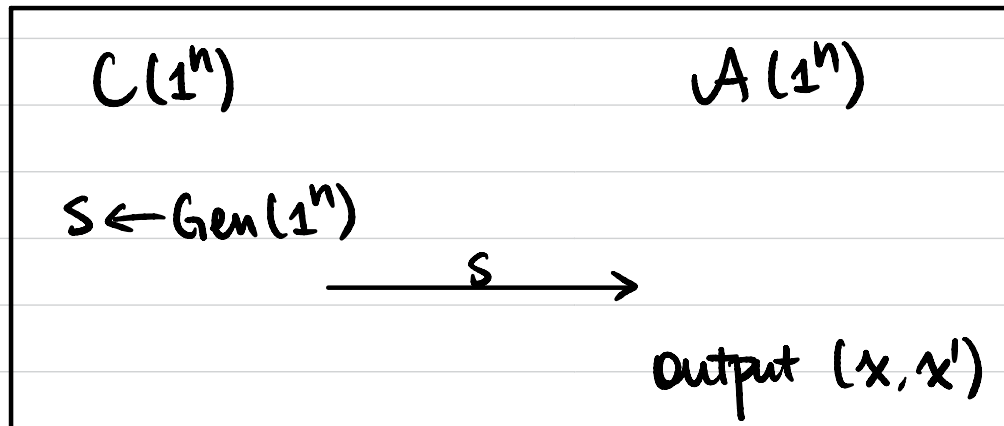
- $\text{Gen}(1^n)$: output s

- $H^s(x)$: $x \in \{0, 1\}^*$, output $h \in \{0, 1\}^{\ell(n)}$

• Security

A hash function (Gen, H) is **collision-resistant** if

$\forall \text{PPT } A, \exists \text{ negligible function } \epsilon(\cdot)$ s.t. $\Pr[x \neq x' \wedge H^s(x) = H^s(x')] \leq \epsilon(n)$.



• Why does it have to be a keyed function (theoretically)?

How to find a collision?

$$H^s: \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^l$$

Try $H^s(x_1), H^s(x_2), \dots, H^s(x_q)$

If $H(x_i)$ outputs a random value,

what's the probability of finding a collision?

$$\text{If } q = 2^l + 1 \Rightarrow \text{prob.} = 1$$

$$\text{If } q = 2 \Rightarrow \text{prob.} = 1/2^l$$

$$\text{If } q = k \Rightarrow \text{prob.} = 1 - \text{Pr}[\text{no collision}]$$

$$= 1 - \frac{2^l - 1}{2^l} \cdot \frac{2^l - 2}{2^l} \dots \frac{2^l - k + 1}{2^l}$$

Birthday Problem / Paradox

There are q students in a class.

Assume each student's birthday is a random $y_i \in [365]$

What's the probability of a collision?

$$q = 366 \Rightarrow \text{prob.} = 1$$

$$q = 23 \Rightarrow \text{prob.} \approx 50\%$$

$$q = 70 \Rightarrow \text{prob.} \approx 99.9\%$$

$$y_i \in [N]$$

$$q = N + 1 \Rightarrow \text{prob.} = 1$$

$$q = \sqrt{N} \Rightarrow \text{prob.} \approx 50\%$$

If security parameter $n = 128$, $l = ?$

$$T(A) \ll 2^{128}$$

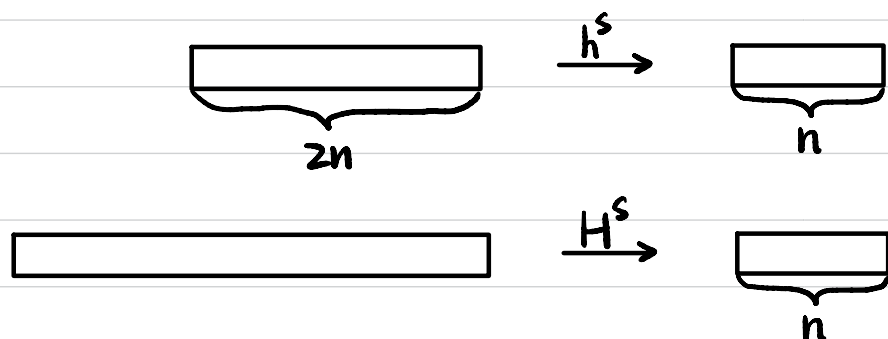
$$q \ll \sqrt{2^l}$$

$$l \sim 256$$

Domain Extension: Merkle-Damgård Transform

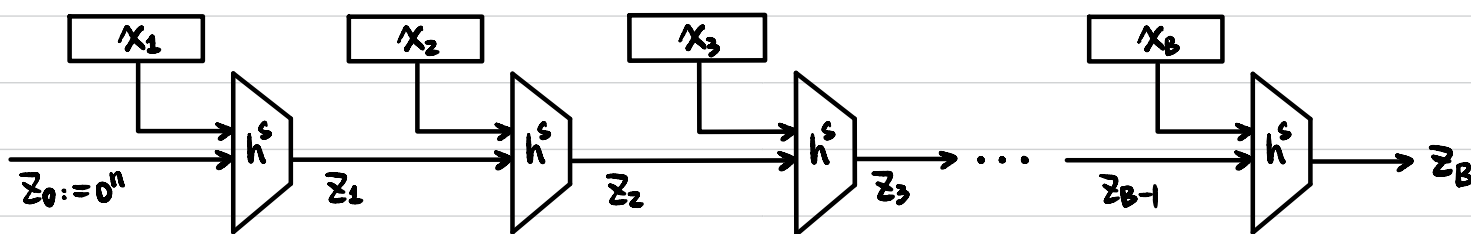
Given a CRHF (Gen. h) from $\{0,1\}^{2n}$ to $\{0,1\}^n$,

Construct a CRHF (Gen. H) from $\{0,1\}^+$ to $\{0,1\}^n$.



① Assume $|x|$ is a multiple of n

② Parse $x = x_1 || x_2 || \dots || x_B$, $x_i \in \{0,1\}^n \quad \forall i \in [B]$



$$z_0 := 0^n \quad z_i := h^s(z_{i-1} || x_i) \quad \forall i \in [B]. \quad H^s(x) := z_B.$$

Is this a CRHF for arbitrary-length messages (multiple of n)? **No!**

Step 1: Assume $(\tilde{\text{Gen}}, \tilde{h})$ is a CRHF from $\{0,1\}^{2n}$ to $\{0,1\}^{n-1}$.

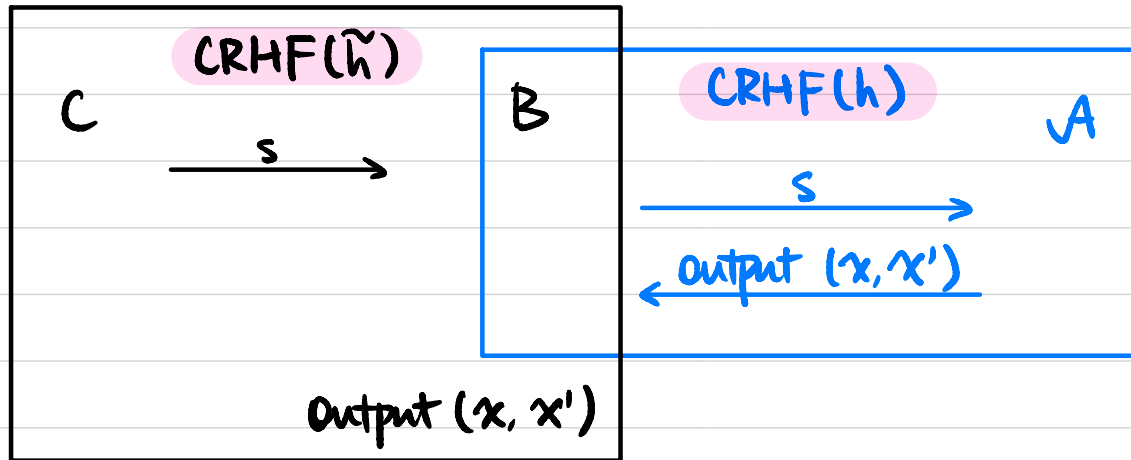
We construct (Gen, h) from $\{0,1\}^{2n}$ to $\{0,1\}^n$ as follows.

- $\text{Gen}(1^n)$: same as $\tilde{\text{Gen}}(1^n)$.
- $h^s(x)$: $x \in \{0,1\}^{2n}$.
 If $x = 0^{2n}$, then output 0^n
 Otherwise output $1 \parallel \tilde{h}^s(x)$

Step 2: If $(\tilde{\text{Gen}}, \tilde{h})$ is a CRHF, then so is (Gen, h) .

Proof Assume not, then \exists PPT A that breaks the collision resistance of (Gen, h) .

We construct a PPT B to break the collision resistance of $(\tilde{\text{Gen}}, \tilde{h})$.

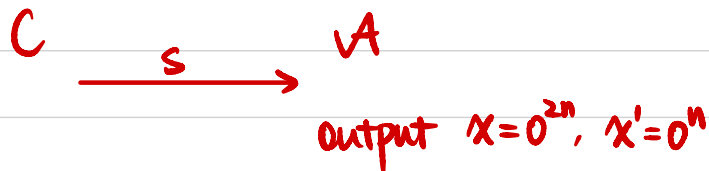


If $h^s(x) = h^s(x') \wedge x \neq x'$,
 the output must start with 1.

$$\tilde{h}^s(x) = \tilde{h}^s(x')$$

$\Rightarrow (x, x')$ is a collision for \tilde{h}^s .

Step 3: (Gen, H) instantiated with (Gen, h) is not a CRHF for arbitrary-length messages.



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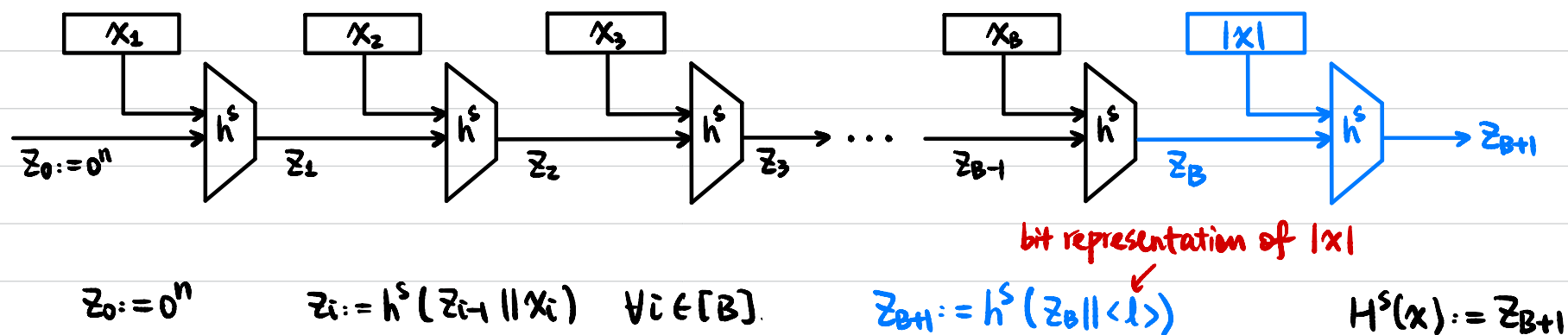
Construct (Gen, H):

- Gen(1^n): remains unchanged.

- $H^s(x)$: $x \in \{0,1\}^*$

① Pad x with $100\dots 0$ to a multiple of $n \rightarrow \tilde{x}$

② Parse $\tilde{x} = x_1 \parallel x_2 \parallel \dots \parallel x_B$, $x_i \in \{0,1\}^n \forall i \in [B]$



Thm If (Gen, h) is CRHF, then so is (Gen, H).