

# CSCI 1510

- Definition of Semantic Security (Continued)
- Pseudorandom Generator (PRG)
- Fixed-Length Encryption from PRG
- Proof by Reduction

## Last Lecture

### Computational Security

- Concrete Approach:

A scheme is  $(t, \epsilon)$ -secure if  $\forall A$  running in time  $\leq t$  succeeds in breaking the scheme with probability  $\leq \epsilon$ .

- Asymptotic Approach:

Introduce a security parameter  $n$

A scheme is secure if  $\forall A$  running in time  $\text{poly}(n)$  succeeds in breaking the scheme with probability  $\leq \text{negl}(n)$

# Computationally Secure Encryption

- **Syntax:**

A symmetric-key encryption scheme is defined by PPT algorithms

(Gen, Enc, Dec):

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

$$c \leftarrow \text{Enc}_k(m) \quad m \in \{0,1\}^*$$

$$m/1 := \text{Dec}_k(c)$$

$\underbrace{11 \dots 1}_n$

- **Correctness:**  $\forall n, \forall k$  output by  $\text{Gen}(1^n), \forall m \in \{0,1\}^*$

$$\text{Dec}_k(\text{Enc}_k(m)) = m$$

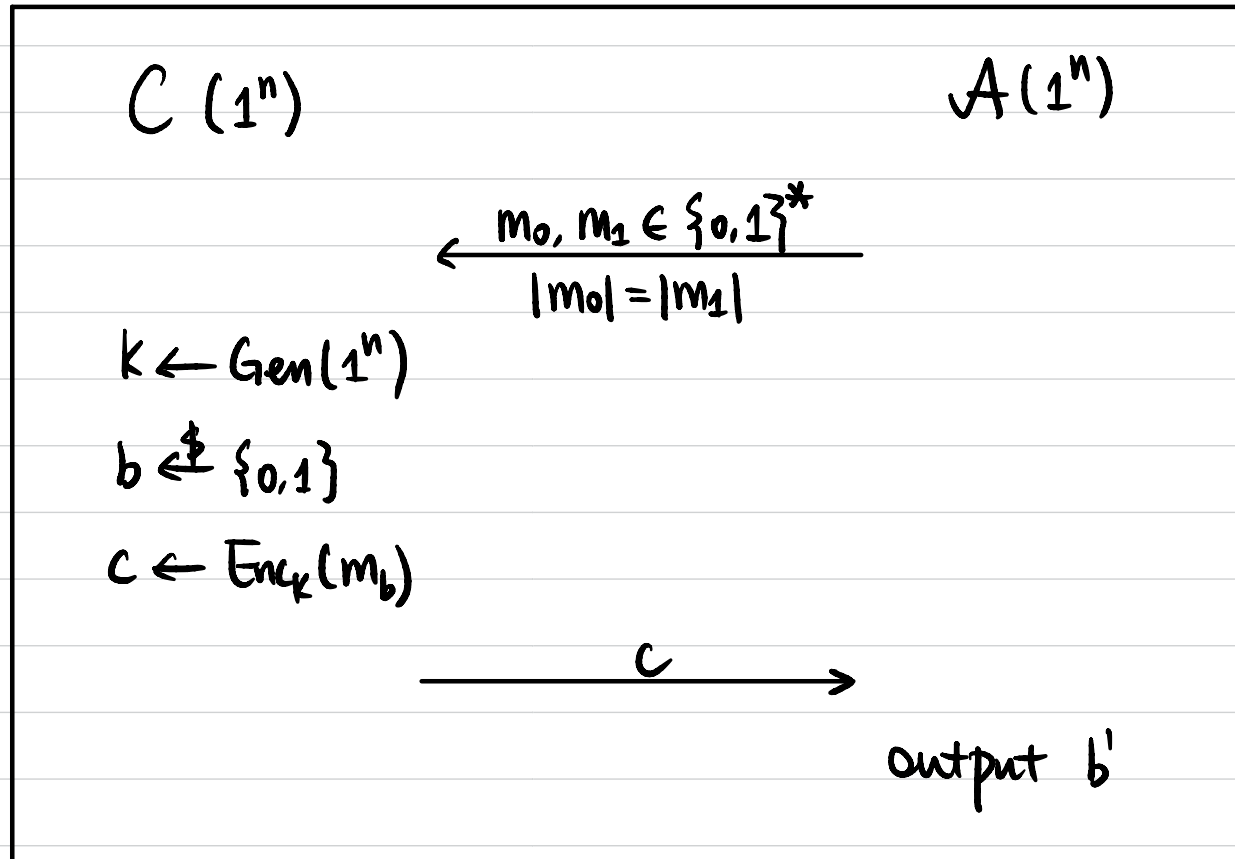
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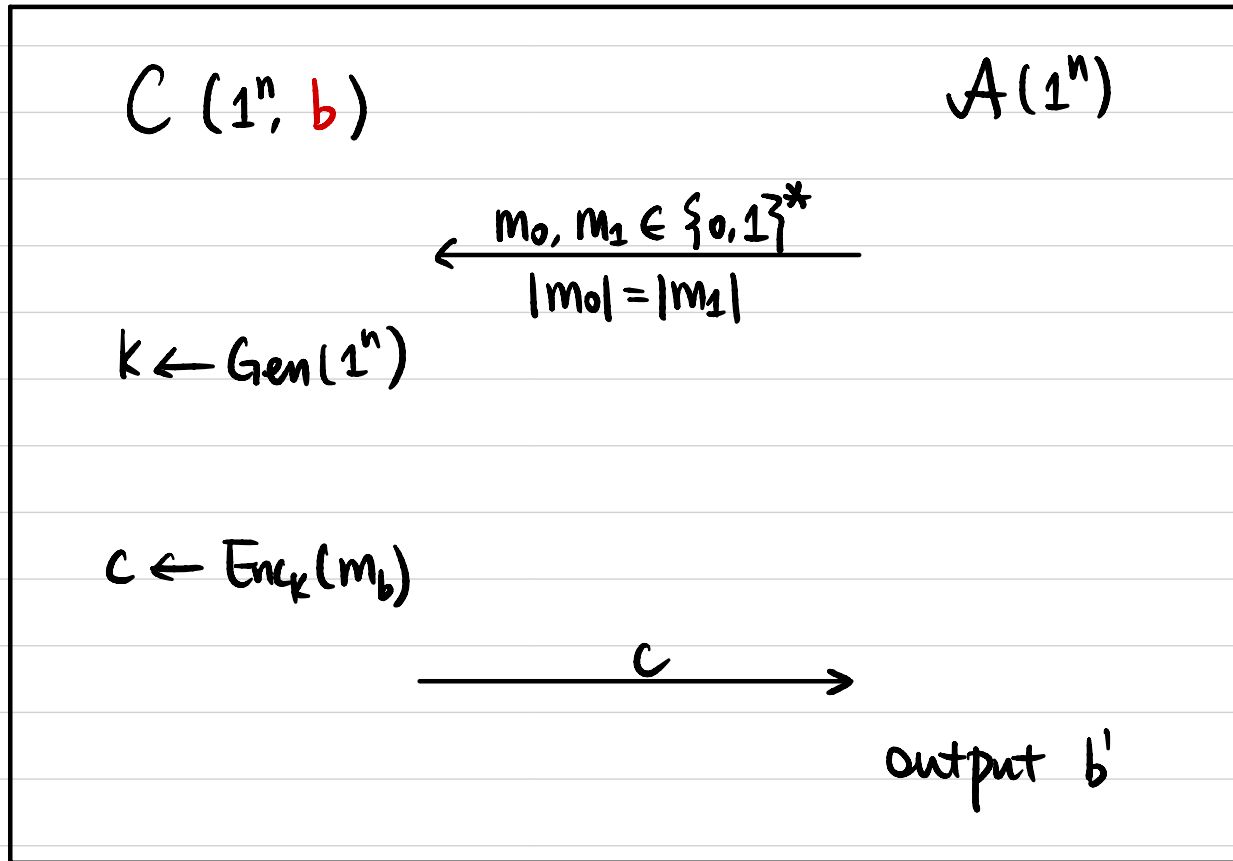
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Def 1  $\Rightarrow$  Def 2: If  $\pi$  is secure under Def 1,  
then it's also secure under Def 2.

Assume  $\pi$  is not secure under Def 2, then  
 $\exists \text{PPT } A$ , non-negligible function  $\epsilon(\cdot)$  st.

$$\left| \Pr[b'=1 | b=0] - \Pr[b'=1 | b=1] \right| > \epsilon(n) \quad \text{in Game 2.}$$

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# Constructing Secure Encryption

Pseudorandom Generator (PRG)



Semantically Secure Encryption



## (Pseudo)randomness

What does it mean to be random?

Is this string random?

011011010110001

010101010101010

What does it mean to be pseudorandom?

# Pseudorandomness

- Concrete Definition:

$D$ : a distribution over  $n$ -bit strings.

$D$  is  $(t, \epsilon)$ -pseudorandom if  $\forall A$  running in time  $\leq t$ ,

$$\left| \Pr_{x \leftarrow D} [A(x) = 1] - \Pr_{x \leftarrow U_n} [A(x) = 1] \right| \leq \epsilon.$$

- Asymptotic Definition:

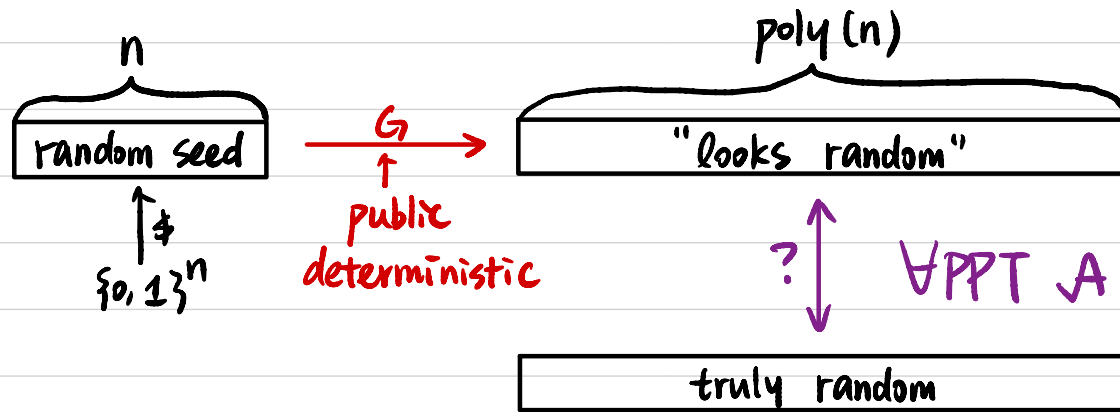
$D = \{D_1, D_2, \dots\}$  an ensemble of distributions,

$D_n$ : a distribution over  $n$ -bit string.

$D$  is pseudorandom if  $\forall$  PPT  $A$ ,  $\exists$  negligible function  $\epsilon(\cdot)$  s.t.

$$\left| \Pr_{x \leftarrow D_n} [A(x) = 1] - \Pr_{x \leftarrow U_n} [A(x) = 1] \right| \leq \epsilon(n).$$

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$$\left| \Pr_{s \leftarrow U_n} [A(G(s)) = 1] - \Pr_{x \leftarrow U_{\ell(n)}} [A(x) = 1] \right| \leq \text{negl}(n)$$

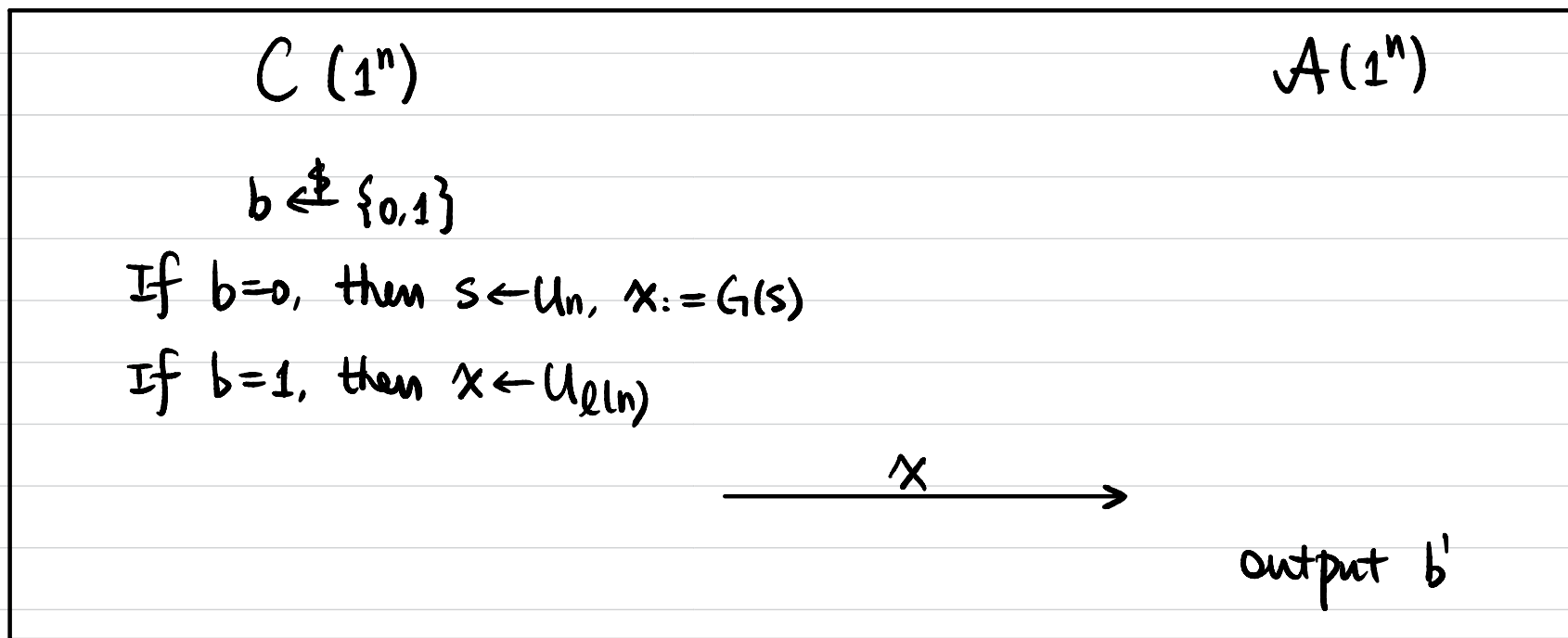
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What if  $A$  is computationally unbounded?

## Exercises

$$G(s) = s \parallel \bigoplus_{i=1}^n s_i$$

↑ concatenation

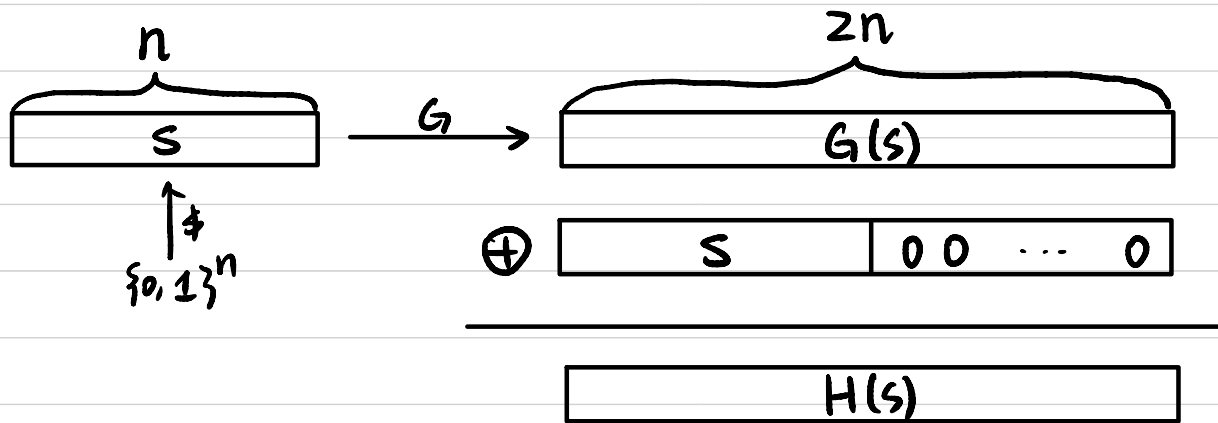
Is  $G$  a secure PRG?

## Exercises

Let  $G: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{2n}$  be a PRG.

Construct  $H: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{2n}$  as  $H(s) := G(s) \oplus (s \parallel 0^n)$ .

Is  $H$  necessarily a PRG?



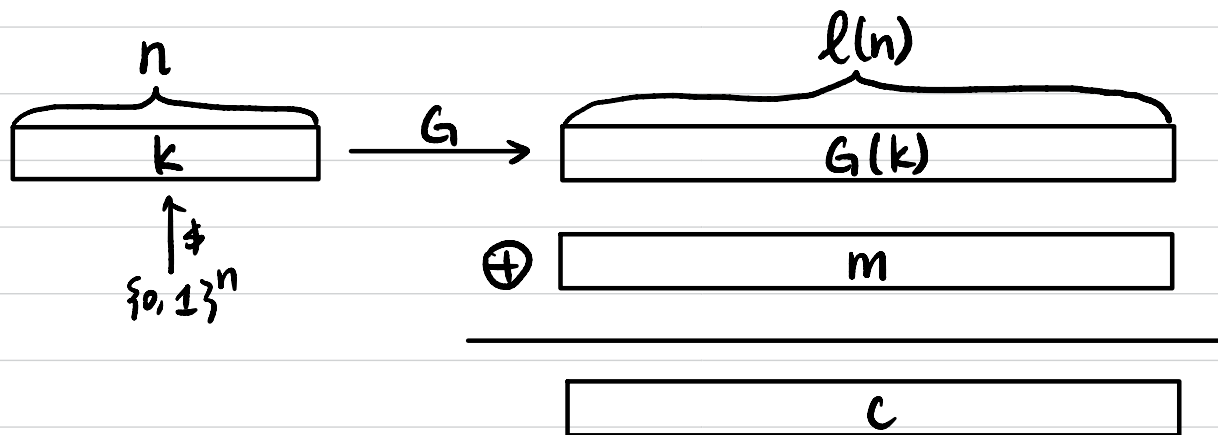
If yes  $\Rightarrow$  prove:  $\forall$  PRG  $G$ ,  $H$  is also a PRG

If no  $\Rightarrow$  show counterexample  $\exists$  PRG  $G$ ,  $H$  is not a PRG.

# Fixed-Length Encryption Scheme

Let  $G: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{\ell(n)}$  be a PRG.

- $\text{Gen}(1^n)$ : sample  $k \leftarrow \{0,1\}^n$ , output  $k$ .
- $\text{Enc}_k(m)$ :  $m \in \{0,1\}^{\ell(n)}$ .  
output  $c := G(k) \oplus m$ .
- $\text{Dec}_k(c)$ :  $c \in \{0,1\}^{\ell(n)}$ .  
output  $m := G(k) \oplus c$ .



"pseudo OTP"



## Proof of Security

Theorem If  $G$  is a PRG, then  $\Pi = (\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  is semantically secure for fixed-length messages.

Assume  $\Pi$  is not semantically secure, then

$\exists$  PPT  $A$  that breaks  $\Pi$

↳ construct PPT  $B$  to break  $G$ .