

Special Topics in Cryptography

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Reminder

- Problem set 1 reminder due this Wed
- Need to solve problem 2.6 part b (from Katz-Lindell) book, as well.

Last time

- Defining encryption formally
- Information theoretic (perfect) vs. computational secrecy
- Limitation of perfect secrecy (and even its relaxations)

Today

- Secrecy based on (unproven) computational assumptions
- Pseudorandom generators (and functions)

Computational Privacy/Security

Turing Machines

running time

"probability of success"

A scheme is (t, ϵ) -secure if every adversary running for time at most t succeeds in breaking the scheme with probability at most ϵ .

- What it means to “break” depends on the exact security def.

$$t(n) \leq n^c \text{ for some constant } c$$

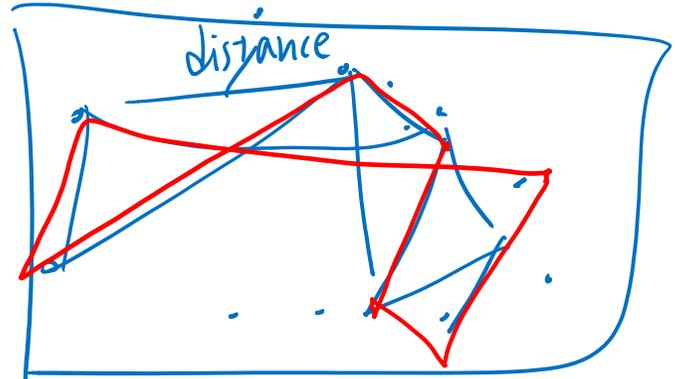
- Ideal: $t >$ “feasible computation” and $\epsilon(n) <$ “negligible probability”
for all c , $\epsilon(n) \leq \frac{1}{n^c}$, if n is large enough.

- Example: $t = 2^{100}$ $\epsilon = 2^{-100}$ (age of universe $\approx 2^{80}$ seconds)

NP-Complete / hard ; Boolean SAT problem.

Examples

TSP:



weighted graph

find a Tour that goes to all nodes using minimal distance total.

Some Constant.

quick feasible	run-time: $time \leq \underbrace{\text{input size}}_n \cdot \underbrace{O(1)}_{\text{Some Constant.}}$
Poly-time.	

run-time $n \times n!$ easy.
 2^n

Conjecture: \nexists poly-time alg for TSP
runs in time $n^{O(1)}$

factoring large ~~prime~~ numbers. (into primes)

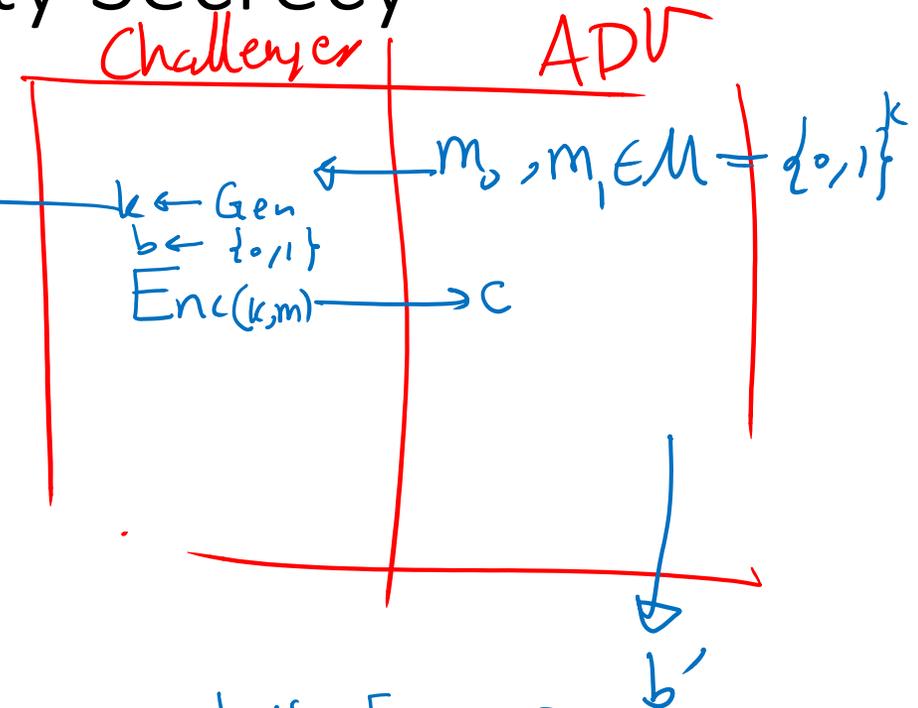
hope: \rightarrow for all $t(\cdot) = \overset{\text{any constant}}{n}$

Computational Indistinguishability Secrecy

- Eve (eavesdropping) security: Even if Eve knows $m \in \{m_0, m_1\}$ she cannot **in time $t(n)$** guess m with probability $> \frac{1 + \epsilon(n)}{2}$

$n = |k|$

$\epsilon(n) \leq \frac{1}{\underbrace{\text{poly}(n)}_{\text{any.}}}$



Wins: $[b' = b]$

$t(n), \epsilon(n)$ are functions of "security parameter" n (e.g. key length $n = 1000$)

“Efficient” time and “Negligible” probability...

- Efficient: polynomial time over input length

$$t(n) \leq \text{poly}(n)$$

$$\exists c, \forall t(n) \leq n^c$$

- Negligible: smaller than any inverse polynomial (over input length)

$$\forall c \exists \epsilon(n) \leq \frac{1}{n^c} \text{ if } n \text{ is large enough.}$$

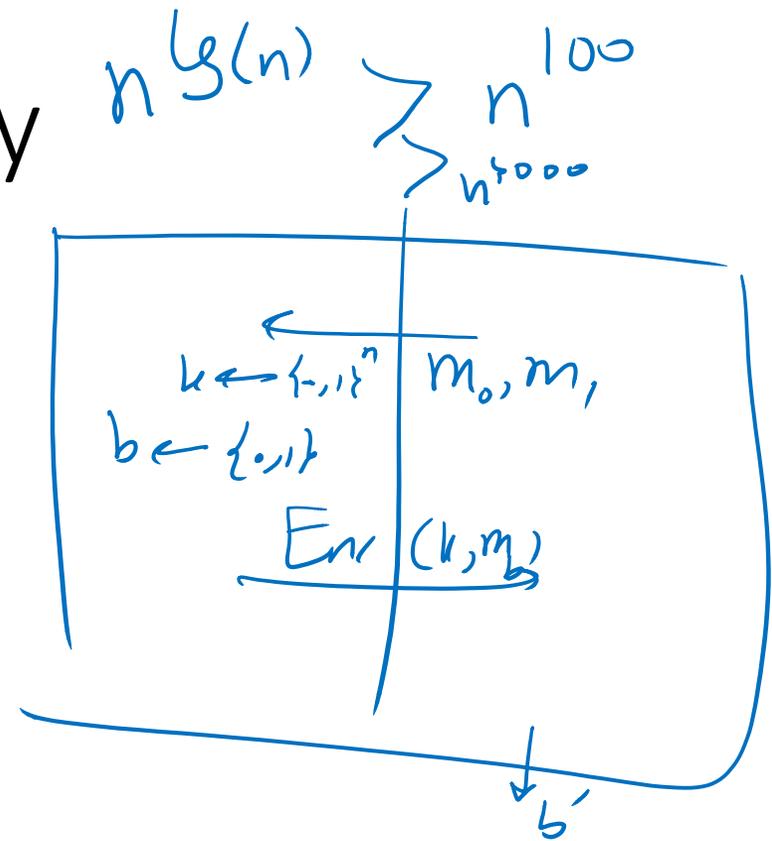
$n > n_0$

$$2^{-n}$$

Formal definitions of security

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

1. The adversary \mathcal{A} is given input 1^n , and outputs a pair of messages m_0, m_1 of the same length.
2. A random key k is generated by running $\text{Gen}(1^n)$, and a random bit $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$ is chosen. The ciphertext $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}_k(m_b)$ is computed and given to \mathcal{A} .
3. \mathcal{A} outputs a bit b' .
4. The output of the experiment is defined to be 1 if $b' = b$, and 0 otherwise. If $\text{PrivK}_{\mathcal{A}, \Pi}^{\text{eav}}(n) = 1$, we say that \mathcal{A} succeeded.



DEFINITION 3.9 A private-key encryption scheme $\Pi = (\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ has indistinguishable encryptions in the presence of an eavesdropper if for all probabilistic polynomial-time adversaries \mathcal{A} there exists a negligible function negl such that

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

where the probability is taken over the random coins used by \mathcal{A} , as well as the random coins used in the experiment (for choosing the key, the random bit b , and any random coins used in the encryption process).

Two main issues:

- How to realize this definition?

- Is this the best definition addressing all issues?
(No, it is still weak, but we will get back to this)

Pseudo-randomness

(random in eyes of computationally bounded)

01010101 . . . 01

100 times.

2^{100}

word 1

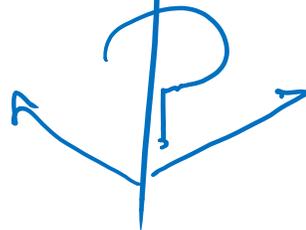
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more likely to be random!

2^{100}

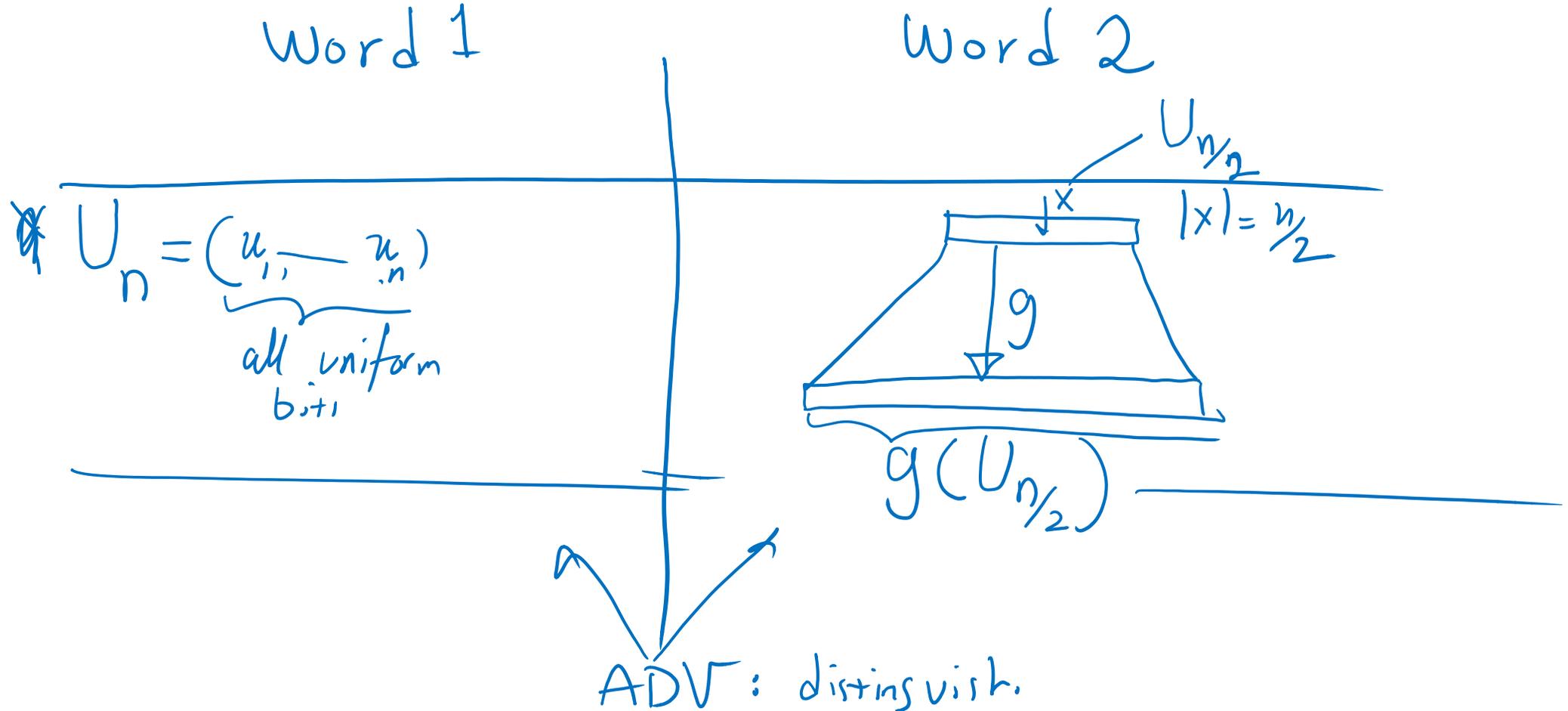
$X = X_1 \text{ --- } X_n$
truly randomly generated

$Y = Y_1 \text{ --- } Y_n$: generated
"differently"



Pseudo-random generator (PRG)

- A magical tool that let us still do “one-time-pad” using short keys!



Formal definition of PRGs

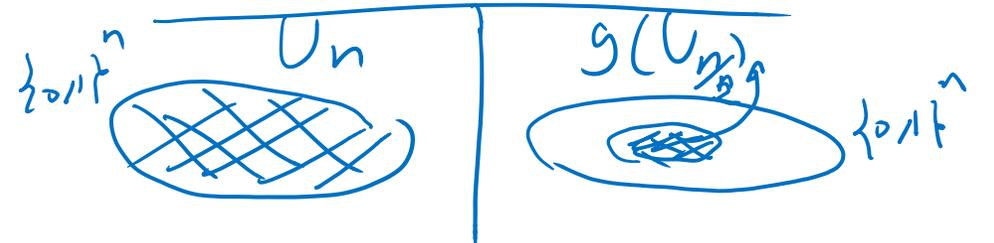
efficient function $g(x) \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{2 \cdot |x|}$
 $|x| = n/2$ $\underbrace{\{0,1\}^{2 \cdot |x|}}_{\text{length} = n}$

$$|g(U_{n/2})| \leq 2^{n/2} \ll 2^n$$

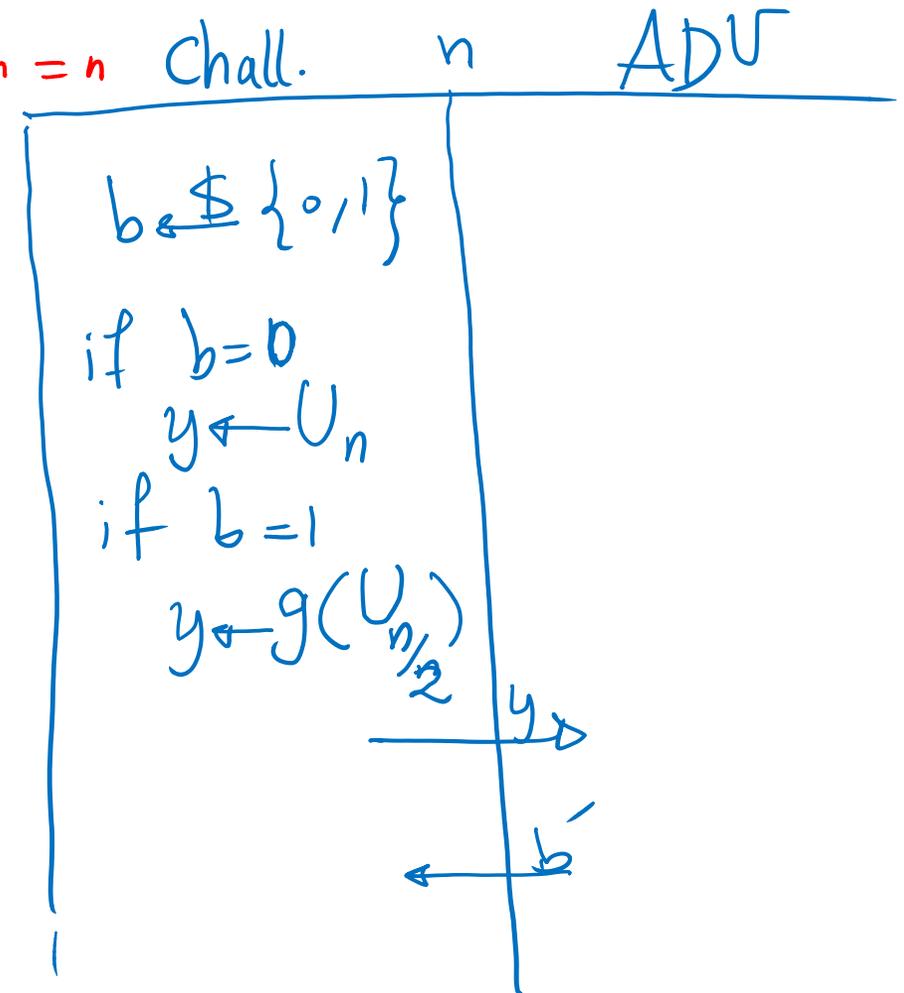
all possible outputs

for all poly-time adv A
 there is a negligible func $\epsilon(\cdot)$
 such that

$$P_A[\text{Win}[Adv]] \leq \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon(n)$$



win := $b = b'$



Using PRGs \rightarrow encrypting one long message

assume the existence

of a PRG $g: X \rightarrow Y$
 $|X| = \frac{n}{2}$ -bit \rightarrow n -bit

Goal:

Construct an ind.-secure private-key

~~encryption~~ scheme $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec}, \text{KGen}(\cdot))$

work on messages of length n .

outputs key k at random
 $|k| = \frac{n}{2}$

Compared with key
 $\frac{n}{2}$ -bit

$|m| = n$ -bit

B { $\text{Enc}(k, m) : g(k) \oplus m$
 $\text{Dec}(k, c) : g(k) \oplus m$

↑ bitwise

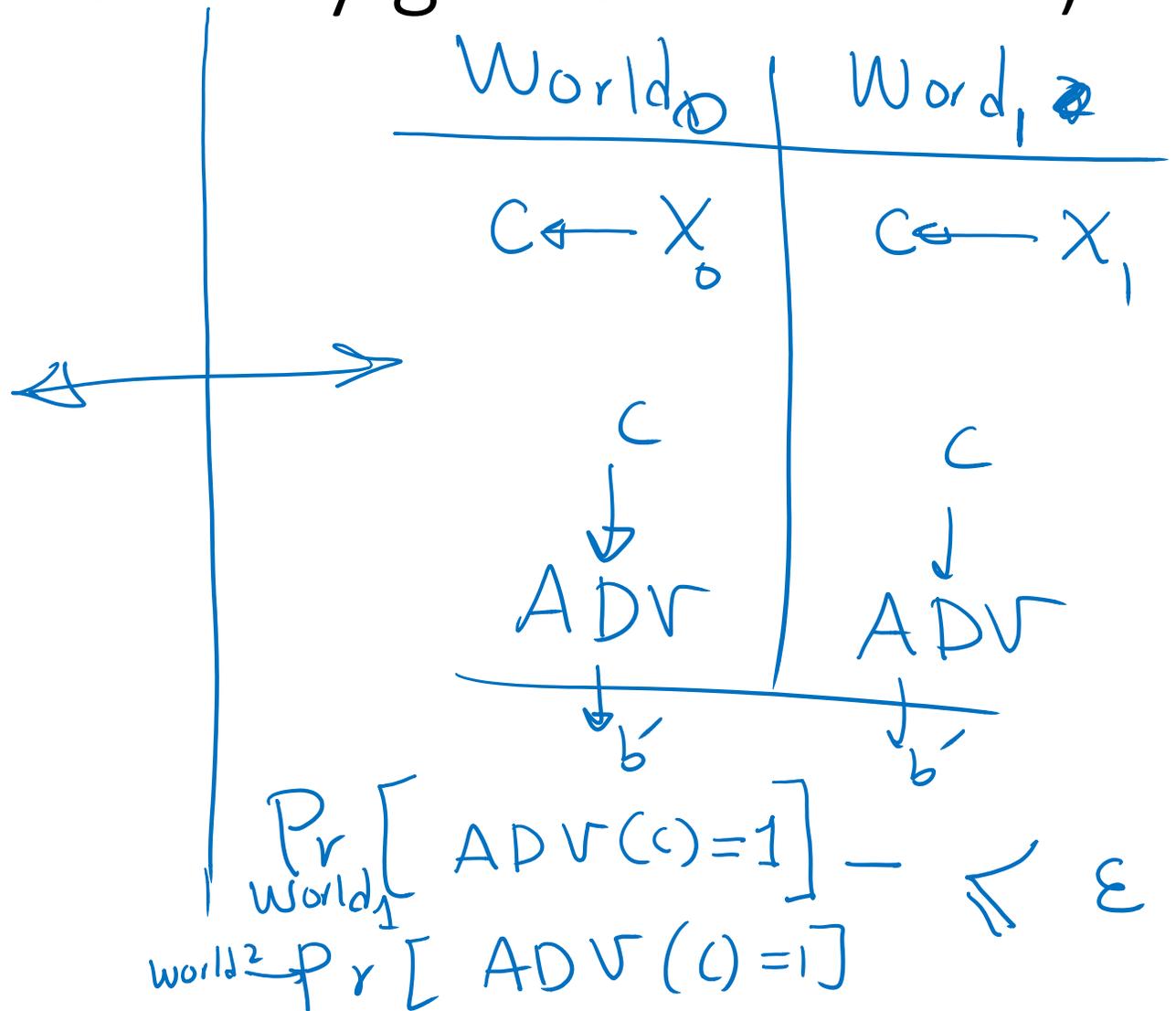
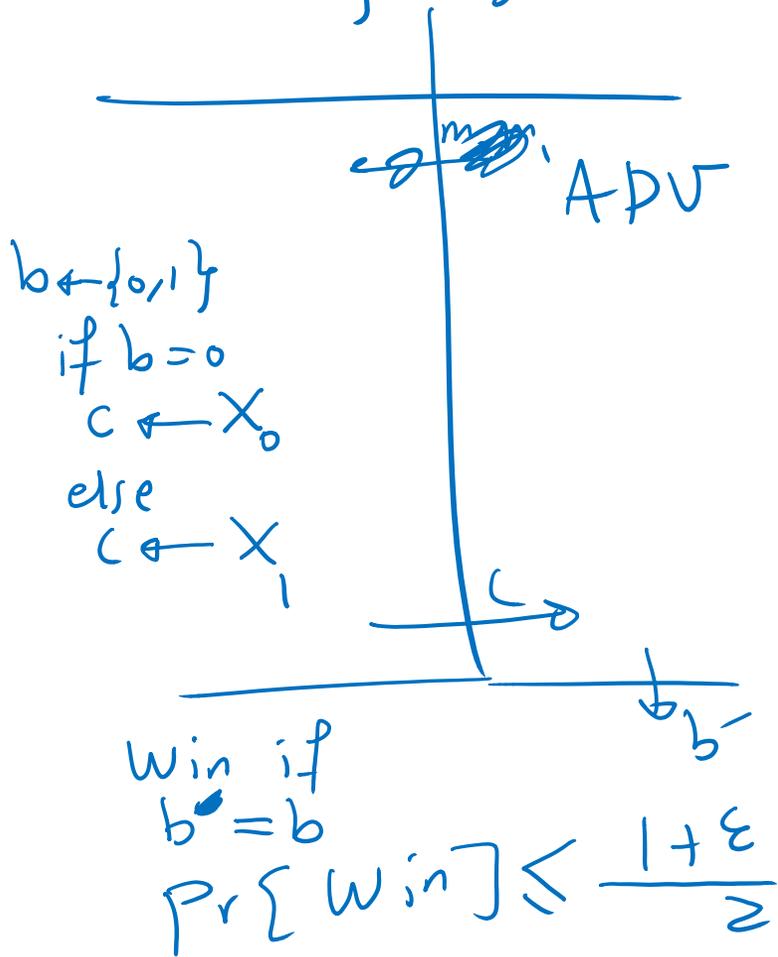
~~Enc~~

Thm: if g is a secure PRG
 \rightarrow B is a secure SKE.

$\text{Dec}(k, \text{Enc}(k, m)) = m$
 Completely \checkmark

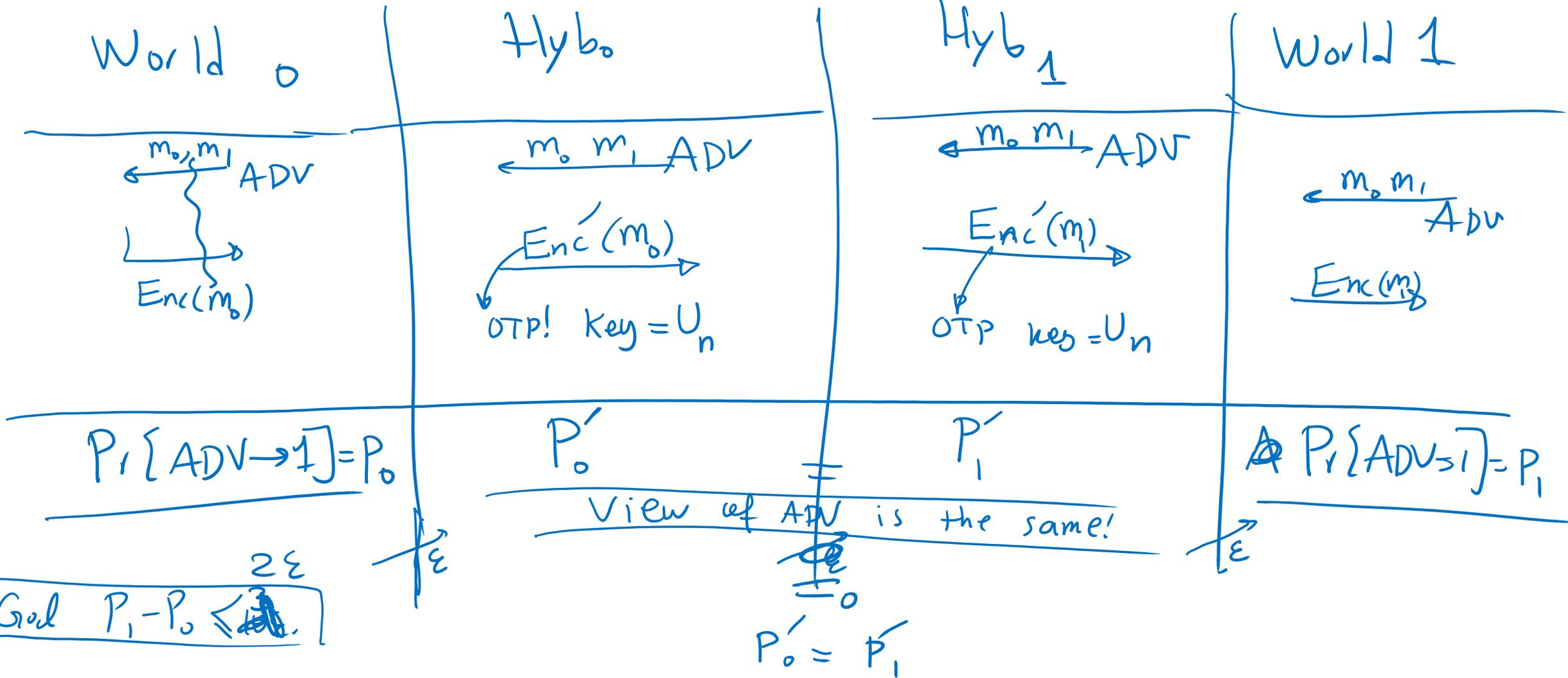
Equivalent definition of PRG (applies to any ind. Security game – see PS1)

Guessing game



Proof of security for PRG \rightarrow ind-secure encryption

Assuming g is secure PRG (t, ϵ)
 Goal: $B = (Enc_g, Dec_g)$ is a secure Enc. $(\frac{1}{10}, 10\epsilon)$ -secure



Goal $P_1 - P_0 \leq 2\epsilon$

<u>Word 0</u>	<u>Hyb 0</u>
$\xleftarrow{m_0, m_1} \text{ADP}$	$\xleftarrow{m_0, m_1} \text{ADP}$
$\xrightarrow{m_0 \oplus g(U_{n/2})}$	$\xrightarrow{m_0 \oplus U_n}$
$\Pr\{\text{out}=1\} = p_0$	$\Pr\{\text{out}=1\} = p'_0$

claim $p'_0 - p_0 \leq \epsilon$

easy: $\Pr\left[\begin{array}{l} A_2 \text{ output 1} \\ \text{on } U_n \end{array} \right] = p'_0$
 $\Pr\left[A_2 \text{ output 1 on } g(U_{n/2}) \right] = p_0$

Proof: Suppose this is NOT the case!

Suppose A_1 is poly time t such that $p'_0 - p_0 > \epsilon$

↓ We construct ADversary A_2 that runs in poly time and breaks security of PRG by ϵ !

A_2 is give y
 $y \oplus m_0 \rightarrow y'$ calls $A(y')$ and outputs $A(y')$.