

# Provable Security

## *Asymmetric Encryption*

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## Two Keys...

Asymmetric  
Cryptography



Diffie-Hellman 1976

Asymmetric Encryption:

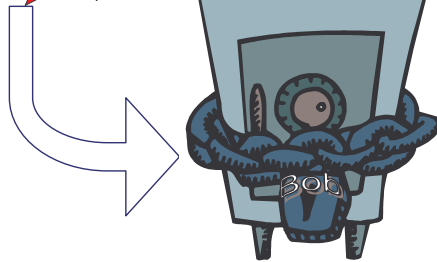
Bob owns two “keys”

- A public key (encryption  $k_e$ )  
so that anybody can encrypt a message for him  $\Rightarrow$  known by everybody (included Alice)
- A private key (decryption  $k_d$ )  
to help him to decrypt  $\Rightarrow$  known by Bob only

# Encryption / decryption attack



Granted Bob's public key,  
Alice can lock the safe,  
with the message inside  
(*encrypt the message*)



Excepted Bob,  
granted his private key  
(*Bob can decrypt*)

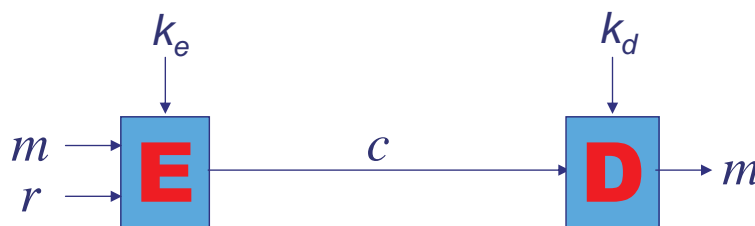
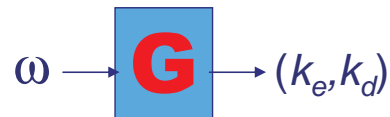
Alice sends the safe to Bob  
no one can unlock it  
(*impossible to break*)



## Encryption Scheme

3 algorithms :

- **G** - key generation
- **E** - encryption
- **D** - decryption



# Conditional Secrecy

The ciphertext comes from  $c = \mathbf{E}_{k_e}(m; r)$

- The encryption key  $k_e$  is public
- A unique  $m$  satisfies the relation  
(with possibly several  $r$ )

At least exhaustive search on  $m$  and  $r$   
can lead to  $m$ , maybe a better attack!

⇒ unconditional secrecy impossible

**Algorithmic assumptions**

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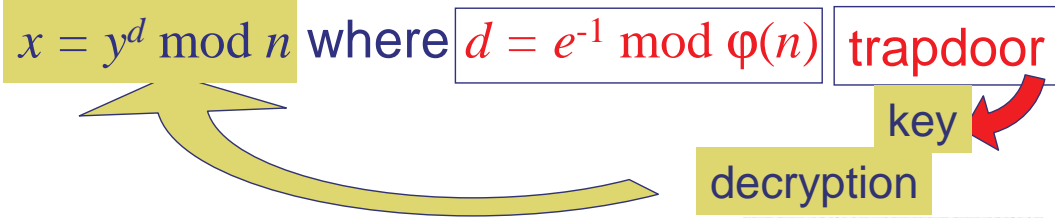
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# Integer Factoring and RSA

- Multiplication/Factorization :
  - $p, q \mapsto n = p \cdot q$  easy (quadratic)
  - $n = p \cdot q \mapsto p, q$  difficult (super-polynomial)
- RSA Function, from  $\mathbf{Z}_n$  in  $\mathbf{Z}_n$  (with  $n=pq$ )  
for a fixed exponent  $e$  Rivest-Shamir-Adleman 1978
  - $x \mapsto x^e \bmod n$  easy (cubic)
  - $y=x^e \bmod n \mapsto x$  difficult (without  $p$  or  $q$ )

One-Way  
Function

RSA Problem



# The Discrete Logarithm

- Let  $\mathbf{G} = (\langle g \rangle, \times)$  be any finite cyclic group
- For any  $y \in \mathbf{G}$ , one defines
 
$$\text{Log}_g(y) = \min\{x \geq 0 \mid y = g^x\}$$
- One-way function
  - $x \rightarrow y = g^x$  easy (cubic)
  - $y = g^x \rightarrow x$  difficult (super-polynomial)

$$\text{Succ}_g^{\text{dl}}(\mathbf{A}) = \Pr_{x \in \mathbf{Z}_q} [\mathbf{A}(y) = x \mid y = g^x]$$

# The Diffie-Hellman Problems

- The Diffie-Hellman Problem (1976):

- Given  $A=g^a$  and  $B=g^b$
- Compute  $DH(A,B) = C=g^{ab}$

- The **Decisional Diffie-Hellman Problem**:

- Given  $A, B$  and  $C$  in  $\langle g \rangle$
- Decide whether  $C = DH(A,B)$

$$\text{Adv}_g^{\text{ddh}}(\mathcal{A}) = \left| \Pr_{a,b,c \in \mathbf{Z}_q} [\mathcal{A}(A, B, C) = 1 \mid A = g^a, B = g^b, C = g^c] - \Pr_{a,b \in \mathbf{Z}_q} [\mathcal{A}(A, B, C) = 1 \mid A = g^a, B = g^b, C = g^{ab}] \right|$$

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## Complexity Estimates

Estimates for integer factoring Lenstra-Verheul 2000

	Modulus (bits)	Mips-Year ( $\log_2$ )	Operations (en $\log_2$ )
	512	13	58
<b>Mile-stone</b>	<b>1024</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>80</b>
	2048	66	111
	4096	104	149
	8192	156	201

Can be used for RSA too

Lower-bounds for DL in  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$

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## Algorithmic Assumptions *necessary*

- $n=pq$  : **public** modulus
- $e$  : **public** exponent
- $d=e^{-1} \bmod \varphi(n)$  : **private**

### RSA Encryption

$$\mathbf{E}(m) = m^e \bmod n$$

$$\mathbf{D}(c) = c^d \bmod n$$

If the RSA problem is easy,  
secrecy is not satisfied:  
anybody may recover  $m$  from  $c$

# Algorithmic Assumptions *sufficient?*

Security proofs give the guarantee that the assumption is **enough** for secrecy:

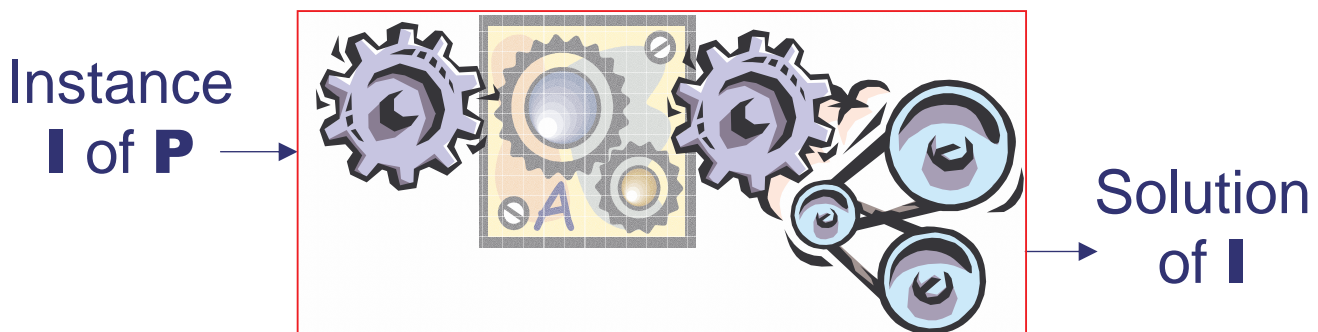
- if an adversary can break the secrecy
- one can break the assumption

⇒ “reductionist” proof

## Proof by Reduction

Reduction of a problem **P** to an attack *Atk*:

- Let *A* be an adversary that breaks the scheme then *A* can be used to solve **P**



**P** intractable ⇒ scheme unbreakable



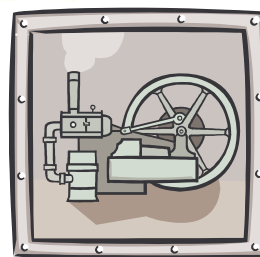
# Provably Secure Scheme

To prove the security of a cryptographic scheme, one has to make precise

- the algorithmic assumptions
- the security notions to be guaranteed
- a reduction:  
an adversary can help  
to break the assumption

## Practical Security

Adversary  
within  $t$



Algorithm  
against **P**  
within  $t' = T(t)$

- Complexity theory:  $T$  polynomial
- Exact Security:  $T$  explicit
- Practical Security:  $T$  small (linear)

Eg :  $t' = 4t$

**P** intractable within less than  $2^{80}$  operations  
 $\Rightarrow$  scheme unbreakable  
within less than  $2^{78}$  operations

# Security Notions

According to the needs, one defines

- the goals of an adversary
- the means of an adversary,  
i.e. the available information

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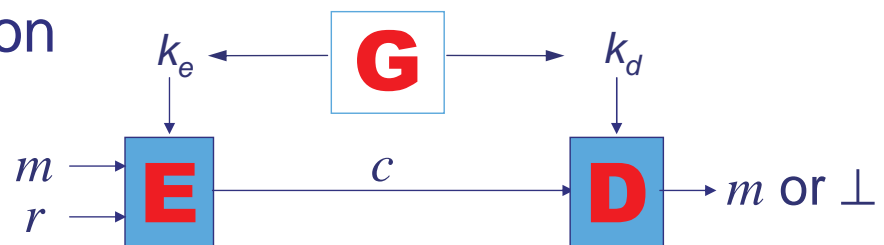
# Asymmetric Encryption

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**OW-Security:** it is impossible to get back  $m$  just from  $c$ ,  $k_e$ , **E** and **D** (without  $k_d$ )

# Basic Secrecy

- **One-Wayness (OW) :**

without the private key, it is computationally impossible to recover the plaintext

$$\text{Succ}^{ow}(\mathbf{A}) = \Pr_{m,r} [\mathbf{A}(k_e, c) = m \mid c = \mathbf{E}(m; r)]$$

Not enough if one already has some information about  $m$  :

- “Subject: XXXXX”
- “My answer is XXX” (XXX = Yes/No)

# Strong Secrecy

- **Semantic Security (IND - Indistinguishability) :**

GM 1984

the ciphertext reveals *no more* information about the plaintext to a **polynomial adversary**

$$\text{Adv}^{ind}(\mathbf{A}) =$$

$$2 \Pr_{r,b} \left[ \mathbf{A}_2(m_0, m_1, c, s) = b \mid \begin{array}{l} (m_0, m_1, s) \leftarrow \mathbf{A}_1(k_e) \\ c \leftarrow \mathbf{E}(m_b, r) \end{array} \right] - 1$$

# Non-Malleability

- Non-Malleability (NM):

DDN 1991

No polynomial adversary can derive, from a ciphertext  $c = \mathbf{E}(m; r)$ , a second one  $c' = \mathbf{E}(m'; r')$  so that the plaintexts  $m$  and  $m'$  are meaningfully related

non-malleability



semantic security



one-wayness

# Basic Attacks

- Chosen-Plaintext Attacks (CPA)

In public-key cryptography setting,  
the adversary can encrypt any message  
of his choice, granted the public key

⇒ the basic attack

# Improved Attacks

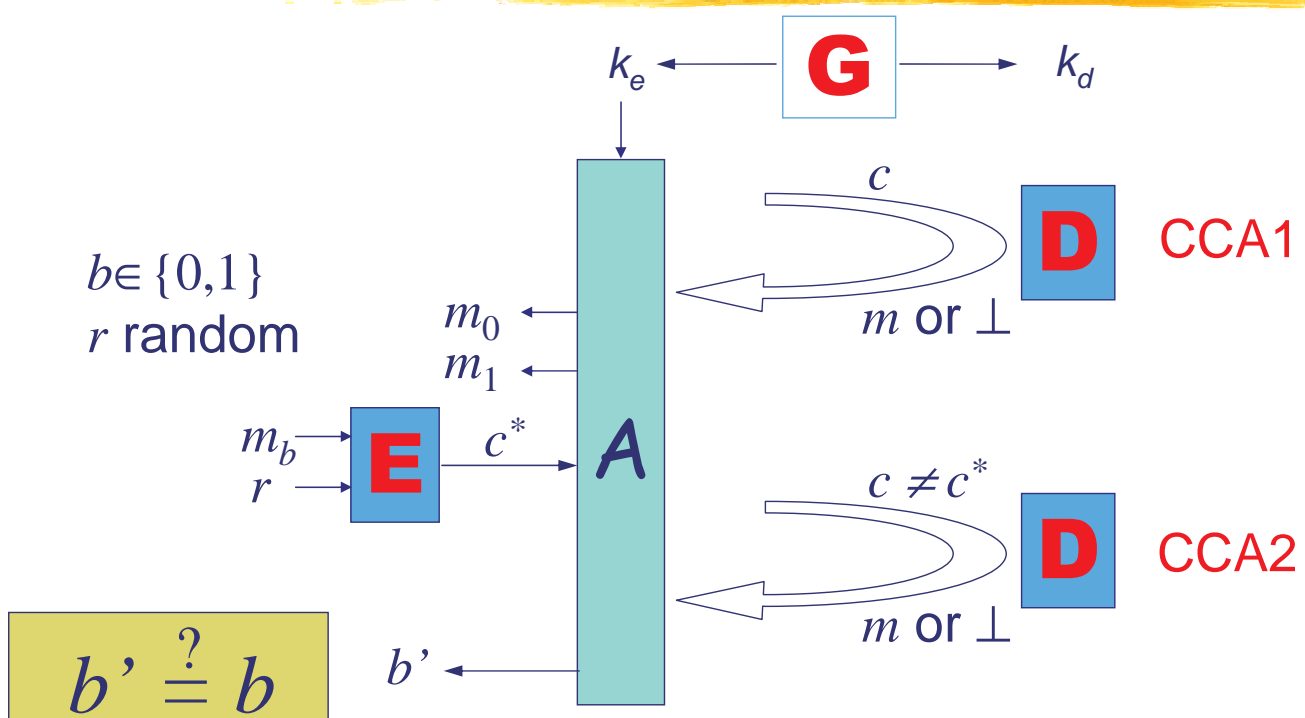
- More information: **oracle access**
- **Chosen-Ciphertext Attacks (CCA)**

The adversary has access to the strongest oracle: the decryption oracle

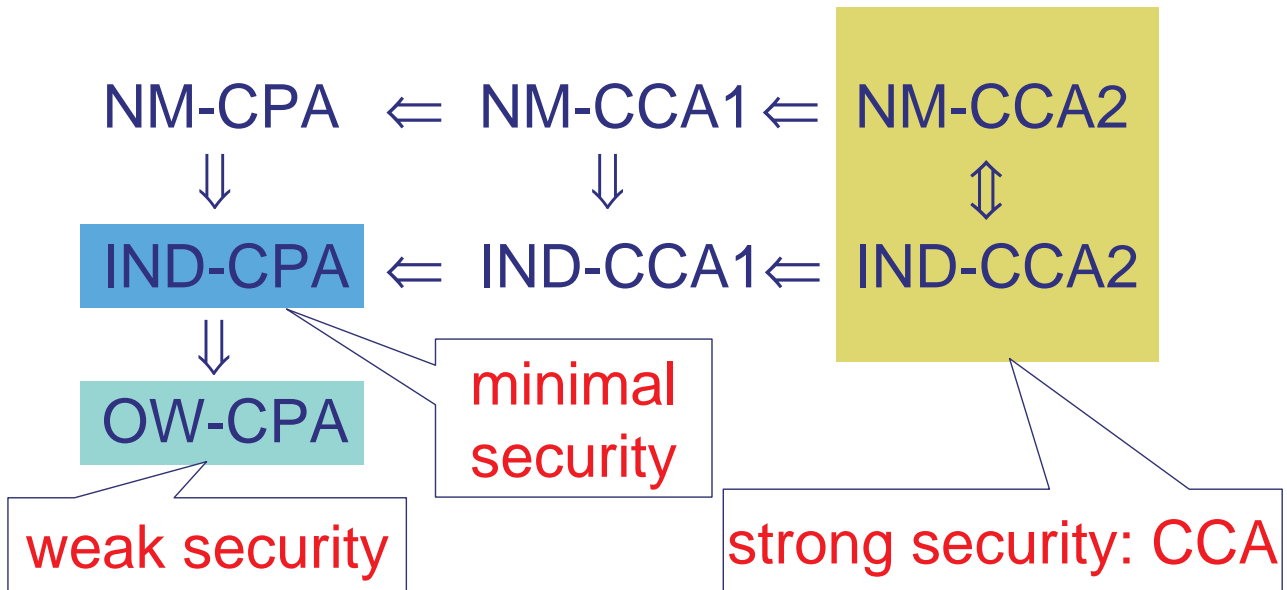
The adversary can obtain the plaintext of any ciphertext of his choice (excepted the challenge)

- **non-adaptive (CCA1)** NY 1990  
only before receiving the challenge
- **adaptive (CCA2)** RS 1991  
unlimited oracle access

## IND-CCA2



## Implications and separations



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# RSA Encryption

- $n = pq$ , product of large primes
- $e$ , relatively prime to  $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$
- $n, e$  : **public** key
- $d = e^{-1} \bmod \varphi(n)$  : **private** key

$$\mathbf{E}(m) = m^e \bmod n \quad \mathbf{D}(c) = c^d \bmod n$$

OW-CPA = RSA problem

Nothing to prove = definition

# El Gamal Encryption

- $\mathbf{G} = (\langle g \rangle, \times)$  group of order  $q$
- $x$  : **private** key
- $y = g^x$  : **public** key

$$\mathbf{E}(m; a) = (g^a, y^a m) \rightarrow (c, d) \quad \mathbf{D}(c, d) = d / c^x$$

OW-CPA = CDH Assumption

IND-CPA = DDH Assumption

To be proven to see the restrictions



# EI Gamal: OW-CPA

$$\mathbf{E}(m; a) = (g^a, y^a m) \rightarrow (c, d) \quad \mathbf{D}(c, d) = d / c^x$$

$$\text{Succ}^{ow}(\mathbf{A}) = \Pr_{m,r} \left[ \mathbf{A}(y, (c, d)) = m \mid (c, d) = \mathbf{E}(m; a) \right]$$

$\mathbf{B}$  is given as input  $\mathbf{G} = (\langle g \rangle, \times)$  and  $(A, B)$

- $y \leftarrow A$  and  $c \leftarrow B$
- choose a random value  $d : \mathbf{A}(y, (c, d)) \rightarrow m$
- output  $d/m$

If  $m$  is correct,  $\text{DH}(A, B) = d/m$

$$\text{Succ}^{\text{cdh}}(\mathbf{B}) = \text{Succ}^{ow}(\mathbf{A})$$

# EI Gamal: IND-CPA

$$\text{Adv}^{ind}(\mathbf{A}) = 2 \Pr_{a,b} \left[ \mathbf{A}_2(m_0, m_1, (c, d), s) = b \mid \begin{array}{l} (m_0, m_1, s) \leftarrow \mathbf{A}_1(y) \\ (c, d) \leftarrow \mathbf{E}(m_b; a) \end{array} \right] - 1$$

$\mathbf{B}$  is given as input  $\mathbf{G} = (\langle g \rangle, \times)$  and  $(A, B, C)$

- $y \leftarrow A$  and  $c \leftarrow B$ :  $\mathbf{A}_1(y) \rightarrow (m_0, m_1)$
- $b \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $d \leftarrow C$ :  $\mathbf{A}_2(c, d) \rightarrow b'$
- output  $\beta = (b = b')$

Let us assume that  $m_0, m_1 \in \mathbf{G}$ :

- If  $C = \text{DH}(A, B)$ ,  $\Pr[b = b'] = \Pr[\mathbf{A}(c, d) = b]$
- If  $C \neq \text{DH}(A, B)$ ,  $\Pr[b = b'] = 1/2$

# El Gamal: IND-CPA (Cnt'd)

If the messages are encoded into  $\mathbf{G}$ :

- If  $C = \text{DH}(A, B)$ ,  $\Pr[b = b'] = \Pr[\mathbf{A}(c, d) = b]$
- If  $C \neq \text{DH}(A, B)$ ,  $\Pr[b = b'] = 1/2$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Adv}^{\text{ddh}}(\mathbf{B}) &= \Pr[\beta = 1 | C = \text{CDH}(A, B)] - \Pr[\beta = 1 | C \neq \text{CDH}(A, B)] \\ &= \Pr[b' = b] - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Adv}^{\text{ind}}(\mathbf{A})\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Adv}(\mathbf{D}) &= 2 \Pr[b' = b] - 1 \\ &= \Pr[b' = b | b = 1] + \Pr[b' = b | b = 0] - 1 \\ &= \Pr[b' = b | b = 1] - \Pr[b' \neq b | b = 0] \\ &= \Pr[b' = 1 | b = 1] - \Pr[b' = 1 | b = 0]\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\text{Adv}^{\text{ind}}(t) \leq 2 \text{Adv}^{\text{ddh}}(t')$$

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# Strong Security Notions

It is very difficult to reach CCA security  
Maybe possible, but with inefficient schemes  
Inefficient schemes are unuseful in practice:

Everybody wants security,  
but only if it is transparent

# Ideal Models

- ⇒ one makes some ideal assumptions:
- ideal random hash function:  
random oracle model
  - ideal symmetric encryption:  
ideal cipher model
  - ideal group:  
generic model (generic adversaries)

# The Random Oracle Model

- Introduced by Bellare-Rogaway ACM-CCS '93
- The most admitted model
- It consists in considering some functions as perfectly random functions, or replacing them by random oracles:
  - each new query is returned a random answer
  - a same query asked twice receives twice the same answer

## Modeling a Random Oracle

A usual way to model a random oracle  $H$  is to maintain a list  $\Lambda_H$  which contains all the query-answers  $(x, \rho)$ :

- $\Lambda_H$  is initially set to an empty list
- A query  $x$  to  $H$  is answered the following way
  - if for some  $\rho$ ,  $(x, \rho) \in \Lambda_H$ ,  $\rho$  is returned
  - otherwise,
    - sa random  $\rho$  is drawn from the appropriate range
    - $s(x, \rho)$  is appended to  $\Lambda_H$
    - $s\rho$  is returned

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## Generic Construction Bellare-Rogaway '93

Let  $f$  be a trapdoor one-way permutation  
then (with  $G \rightarrow \{0,1\}^\ell$  and  $H \rightarrow \{0,1\}^k$ )

$$\mathbf{E}(m;r) = f(r) \parallel m \oplus G(r) \parallel H(m,r)$$

$$\mathbf{D}(a,b,c) : r = f^{-1}(a)$$

$$m = b \oplus G(r)$$

$$c = H(m,r) ?$$

# IND-CCA2: Security Proof

Adversary  $A=(A_1, A_2)$

- $A_1(f) \rightarrow (m_0, m_1)$
- One randomly chooses  $\beta \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $r$ ,  
and computes  $C = \mathbf{E}(m_\beta, r) = (a, b, c)$ :  
 $a = f(r), b = m_\beta \oplus G(r), c = H(m_\beta, r)$
- $A_2(C) \rightarrow \beta'$

with permanent access to

- the decryption oracle  $\mathbf{D}$   $q_{\mathbf{D}}$  queries
- the random oracles  $G$  and  $H$   $q_G, q_H$  queries

# IND-CCA2: Security Proof (2)

Adversary  $A=(A_1, A_2)$  - Simulator  $B$

- $B(f, y=f(x))$ : runs  $A_1(f) \rightarrow (m_0, m_1)$
- randomly chooses  $b \in \{0, 1\}^\ell$  and  $c \in \{0, 1\}^k$   
and outputs  $C = \mathbf{E}(m_\beta, r) = (y, b, c)$

this implicitly defines:

$$r = f^{-1}(y) = x, G(r) = m_\beta \oplus b, H(m_\beta, r) = c$$

- $A_2(C) \rightarrow \beta'$

## IND-CCA2: Simulation (3)

$\mathcal{B}$  has to answer oracle queries:

- Random oracles  $G$  and  $H$   
a new query is answered by  
a new random value in the proper range  
Problem if  $G(r)$  (**AskG**) or  $H(m_\beta, r)$  (**AskH**)

- Decryption oracle on  $C' = (a', b', c')$   
one looks up for  $c' = H(m', r')$   
and checks whether  $C' = \mathbf{E}(m', r')$   
Problem if  $H(m', r')$  not asked: rejection of a  
valid ciphertext (**BadD**), but with probability  $2^{-k}$

## IND-CCA2: Simulation (4)

Without **AskG**, **AskH** or **BadD**: perfect simulation

New event **ASK**:  $G(r)$  or  $H(*, r)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr_0[\beta' = \beta] &\leq \Pr_1[\beta' = \beta] \\ &\quad + \Pr_1[\mathbf{AskG} \vee \mathbf{AskH}] + \Pr_1[\mathbf{BadD}] \\ &\leq \Pr_1[\beta' = \beta] + \Pr_1[\mathbf{ASK}] + q_{\mathbf{D}} 2^{-k} \end{aligned}$$

# IND-CCA2: Extraction (5)

Without **ASK** adversary  $A$  has no information

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr_1[\beta' = \beta] &= \Pr_1[\beta' = \beta \mid \mathbf{ASK}] \Pr_1[\mathbf{ASK}] \\ &\quad + \Pr_1[\beta' = \beta \mid \neg\mathbf{ASK}] \Pr_1[\neg\mathbf{ASK}] \\ &\leq \Pr_1[\mathbf{ASK}] + \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Succ}^{ow}(t') &\geq \Pr_1[\mathbf{ASK}] \geq \Pr_1[\beta' = \beta] - \frac{1}{2} \\ &\geq \Pr_0[\beta' = \beta] - \frac{1}{2} - \Pr_1[\mathbf{ASK}] - q_{\mathbf{D}} 2^{-k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2} \text{Adv}^{cca}(t) &\leq \Pr_0[\beta' = \beta] - \frac{1}{2} \\ &\leq 2 \text{Succ}^{ow}(t') + q_{\mathbf{D}} 2^{-k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } t' = t + (q_G + q_H) T_f$$

# IND-CCA2: Result (6)

$$\text{Adv}^{cca}(t) \leq 4\text{Succ}_f^{ow}(t + (q_G + q_H)T_f) + \frac{2q_{\mathbf{D}}}{2^k}$$

If the parameters are properly chosen so that  $f$  is indeed hard to invert, the encryption scheme is semantically secure against any CCA-adversary, in the random oracle model