

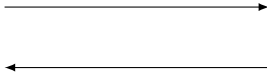
Kurosawa-Desmedt Meets Tight Security



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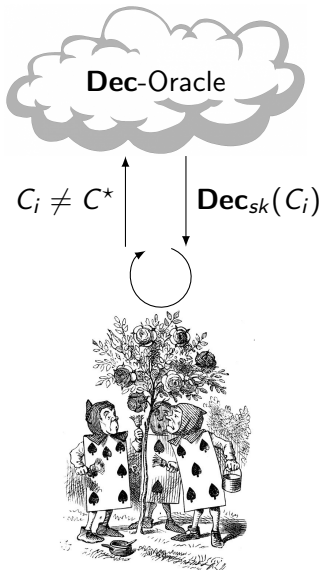
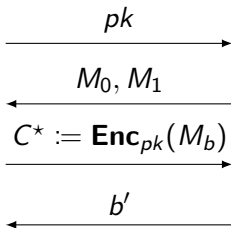


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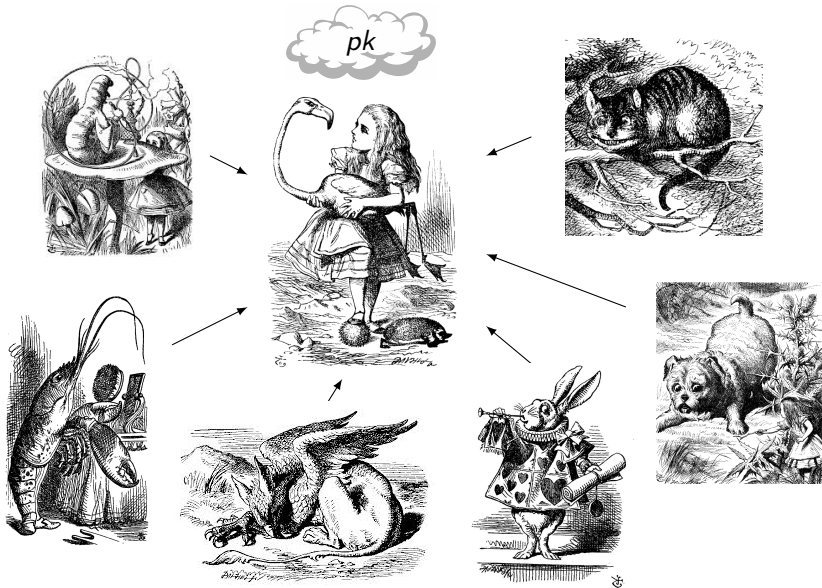
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[RS92]

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pk

$M_{j,0}, M_{j,1}$

$C_j^* := \text{Enc}_{pk}(M_{j,b})$

b'



$\forall j: C_i \neq C_j^*$

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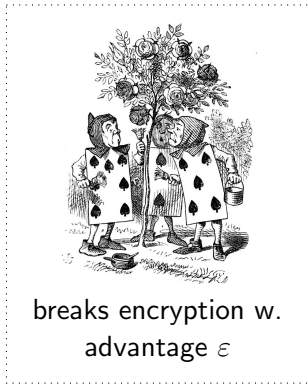
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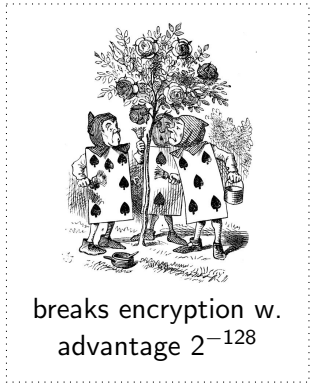
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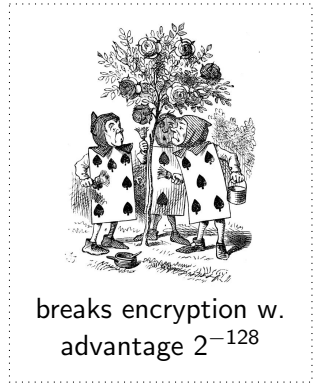
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Useful for tightness: \Downarrow Re-Randomizability \Downarrow

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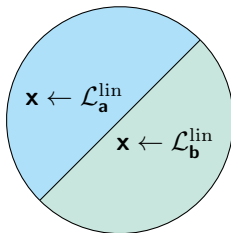
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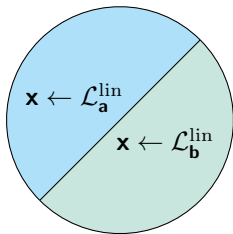
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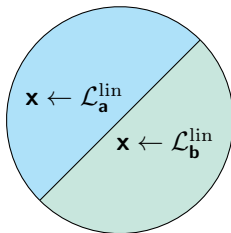
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