

# CSCI 1510

## This Lecture:

- Fixed-Length MAC
- CBC-MAC

# Message Authentication Code (MAC)

- **Syntax:**

A **message authentication code (MAC)** scheme is defined by PPT algorithms  
(Gen, Mac, Vrfy).

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

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

$$0/1 := \text{Vrfy}_k(m, t)$$

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

$$\text{Vrfy}_k(m, \text{Mac}_k(m)) = 1$$

- **Canonical Verification:**

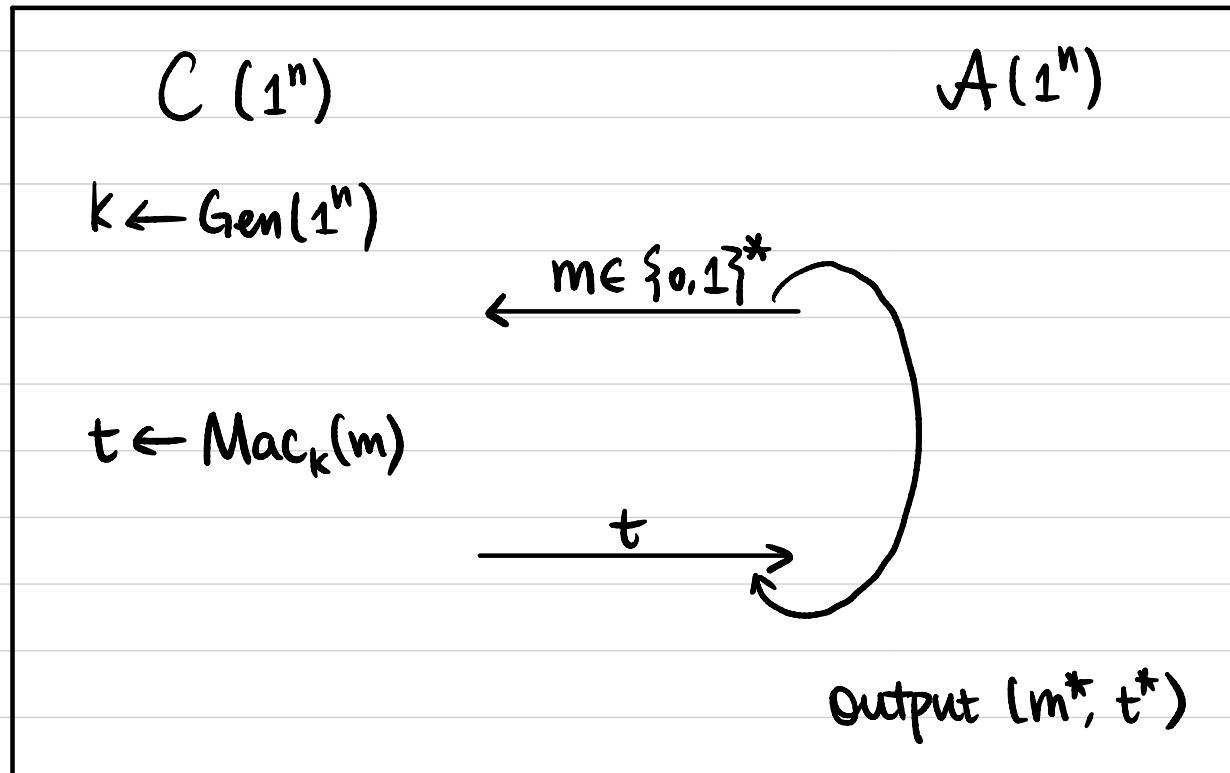
If  $\text{Mac}_k(m)$  is deterministic, then  $\text{Vrfy}_k(m, t)$  is straightforward.

$$\text{Mac}_k(m) \stackrel{?}{=} t$$

# Message Authentication Code (MAC)

Def 1 A message authentication code (MAC) scheme  $\pi = (\text{Gen}, \text{Mac}, \text{Vrfy})$  is existentially unforgeable under adaptive chosen message attack, or EU-CMA-secure, or secure, if  $\forall \text{PPT } A, \exists \text{negligible function } \varepsilon(\cdot) \text{ s.t.}$

$$\Pr[\text{MacForge}_{A, \pi} = 1] \leq \varepsilon(n).$$



$$Q := \{m \mid m \text{ queried by } A\}$$

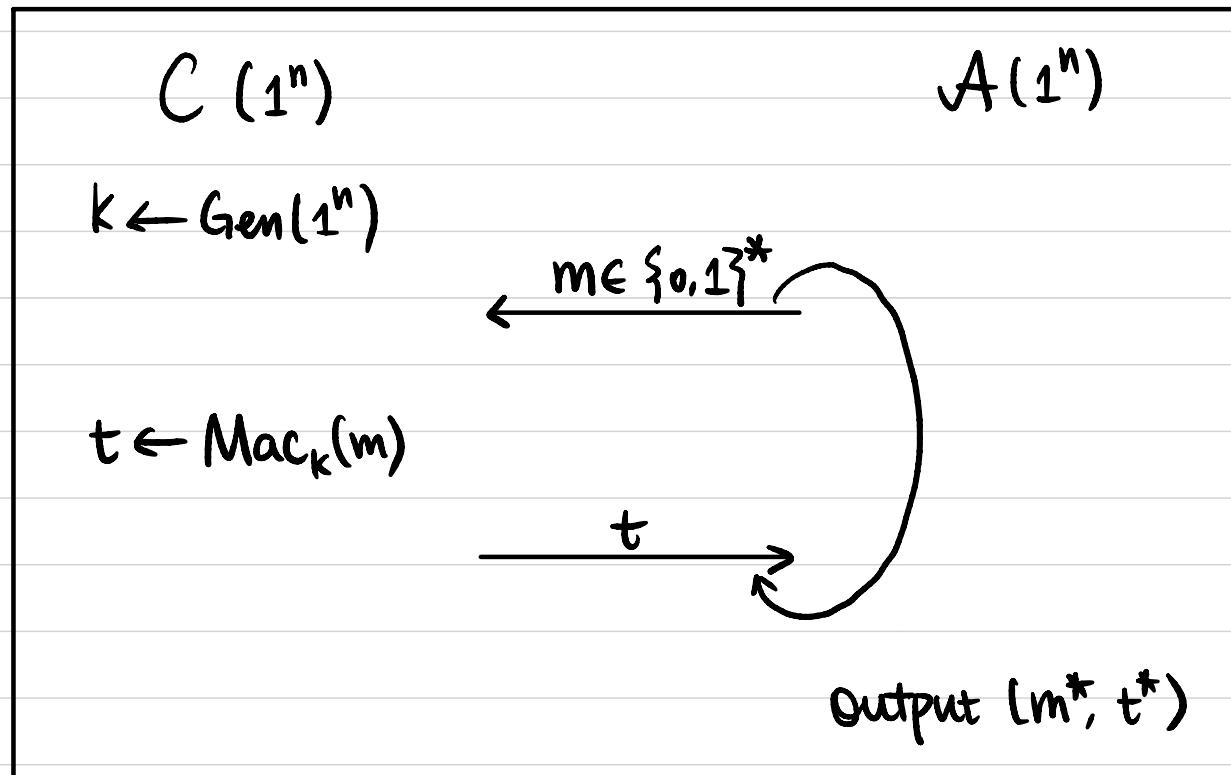
$\text{MacForge}_{A, \pi} = 1$  ( $A$  succeeds) if

- ①  $m^* \notin Q$ , and
- ②  $\text{Vrfy}_K(m^*, t^*) = 1$ .

## Message Authentication Code (MAC)

Def 2 A message authentication code (MAC) scheme  $\pi = (\text{Gen}, \text{Mac}, \text{Vrfy})$  is **strongly secure** if  $\forall \text{PPT } A, \exists \text{negligible function } \varepsilon(\cdot) \text{ s.t.}$

$$\Pr[\text{MacForge}_{A, \pi}^S = 1] \leq \varepsilon(n).$$



$Q := \{(m, t) \mid m \text{ queried by } A, t \text{ is the response}\}$

$\text{MacForge}_{A, \pi}^S = 1$  ( $A$  succeeds) if

- ①  $(m^*, t^*) \notin Q$ , and
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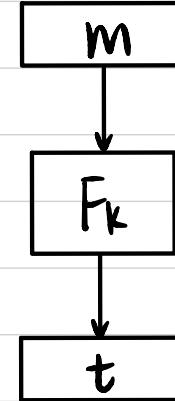
Thm If  $\pi = (\text{Gen}, \text{Mac}, \text{Vrfy})$  is a secure MAC with canonical verification (Mac is a deterministic algorithm), then  $\pi$  is also strongly secure.

## Fixed-Length MAC

Let  $F: \{0,1\}^n \times \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$  be a PRF.

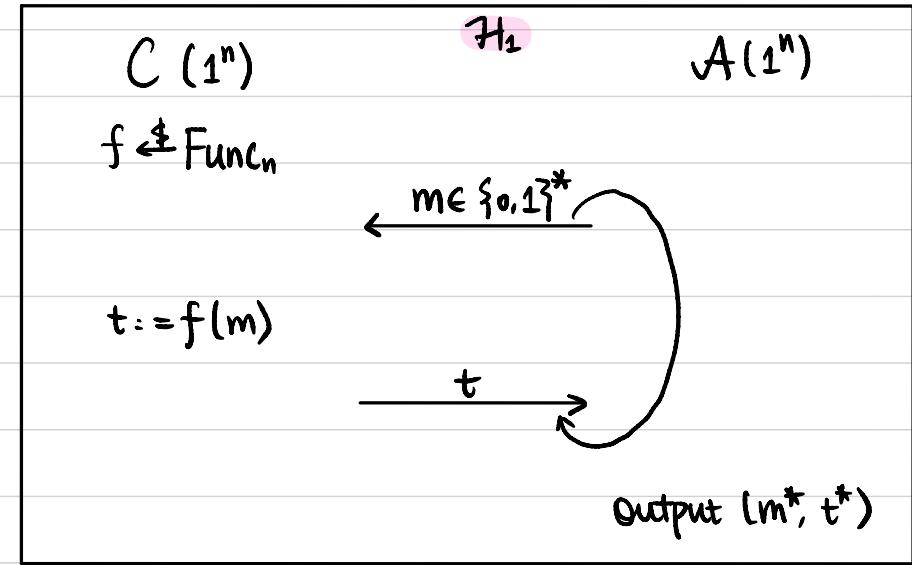
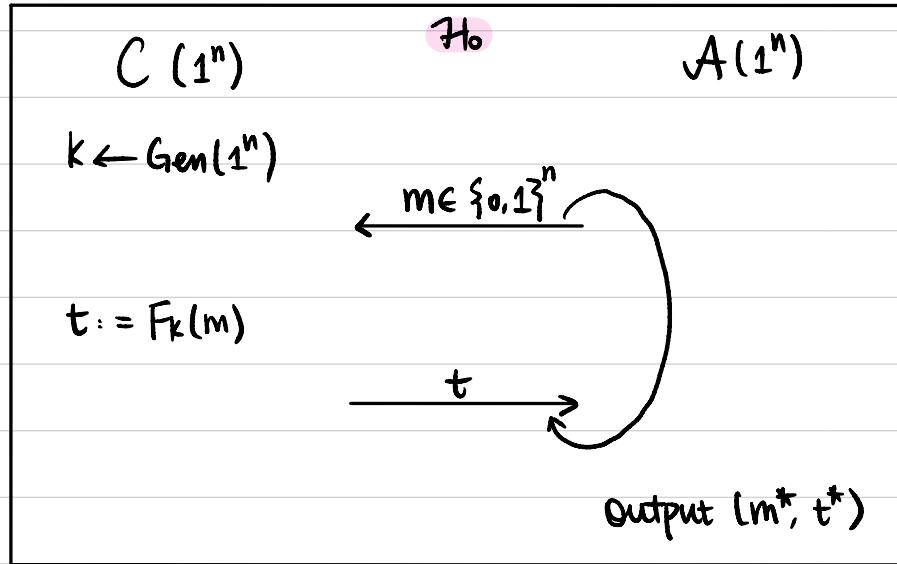
Construct a MAC Scheme:

- Gen( $1^n$ ): Sample  $k \in \{0,1\}^n$ , output  $k$ .
- Mac $_k(m)$ :  $m \in \{0,1\}^n$   
output  $t := F_k(m)$
- Vrfy $_k(m,t)$ :  $F_k(m) \stackrel{?}{=} t$



Thm If  $F$  is a PRF, then  $\pi = (\text{Gen}, \text{Mac}, \text{Vrfy})$  is a secure MAC scheme for fixed-length messages of length  $n$ .

Proof A PPT A:



$$Q := \{m \mid m \text{ queried by } A\}$$

A succeeds if  $m^* \notin Q$  and  $F_k(m^*) = t^*$

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A succeeds if  $m^* \notin Q$  and  $f(m^*) = t^*$

Step 1:  $|\Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } H_0] - \Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } H_1]| \leq \text{negl}(n).$

Step 2:  $\Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } H_1] \leq \text{negl}(n).$

$$\downarrow$$

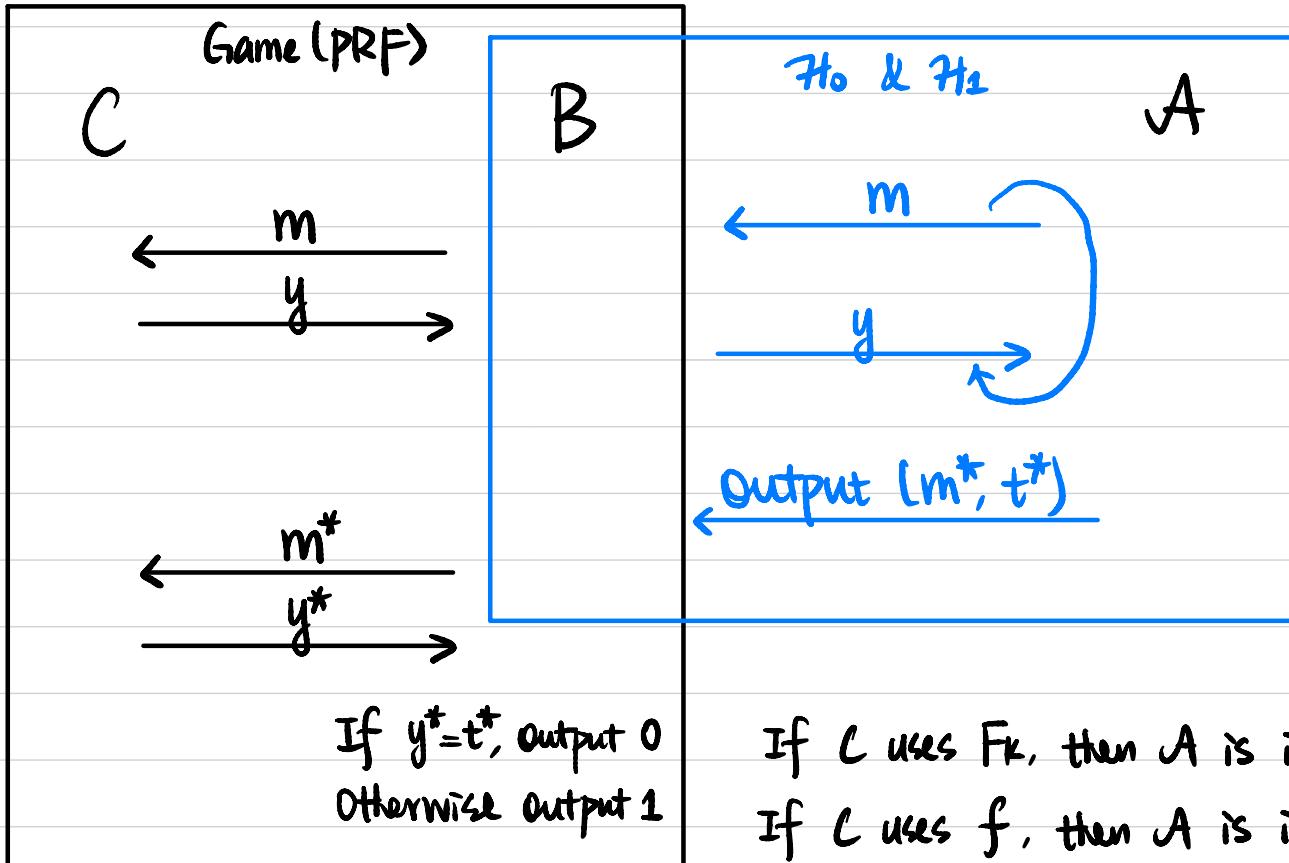
$$1/2^n$$

Step 1:  $\forall \text{PPT } A, |\Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } \mathcal{H}_0] - \Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } \mathcal{H}_1]| \leq \text{negl}(n)$ .

Proof Assume not, then  $\exists \text{PPT } A$  such that

$$|\Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } \mathcal{H}_0] - \Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } \mathcal{H}_1]| \geq \text{non-negl}(n).$$

We construct PPT B to break the pseudorandomness of F.



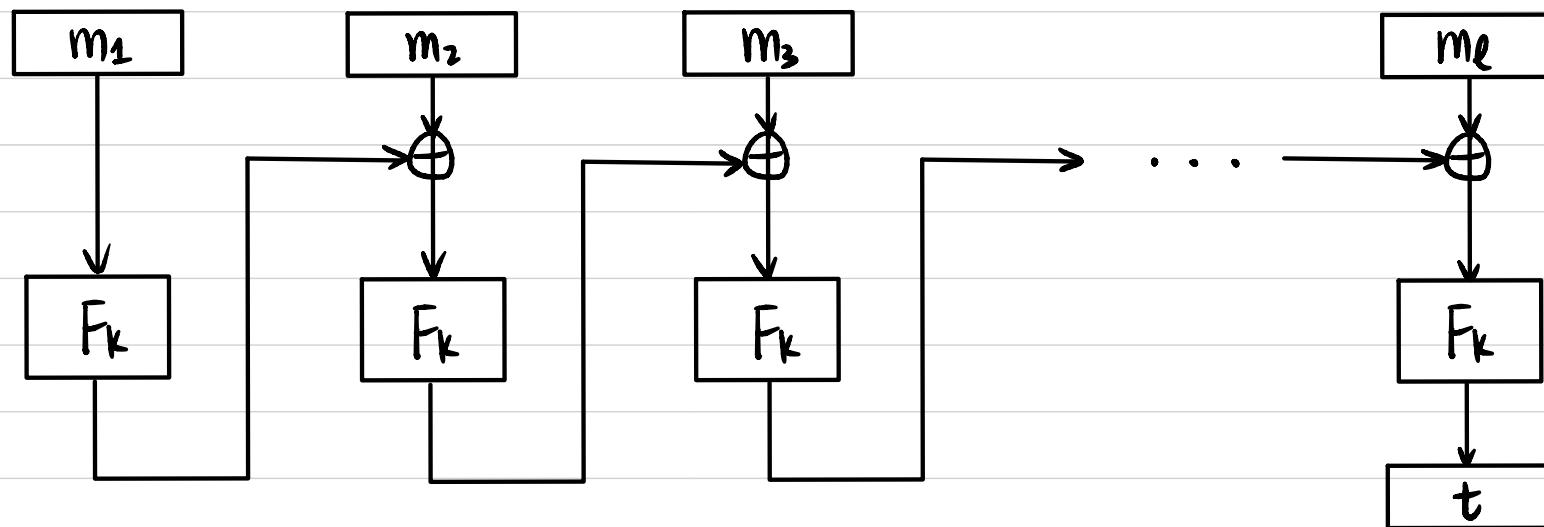
$$\begin{aligned} & |\Pr[B^{F_k(\cdot)} \text{ outputs 0}] - \Pr[B^{f(\cdot)} \text{ outputs 0}]| \\ &= |\Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } \mathcal{H}_0] - \Pr[A \text{ succeeds in } \mathcal{H}_1]| \\ &\geq \text{non-negl}(n). \end{aligned}$$

## CBC-MAC (for fixed-length messages)

Let  $F: \{0,1\}^n \times \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$  be a PRF.

Construct a MAC scheme for messages of length  $l(n) \cdot n$ :

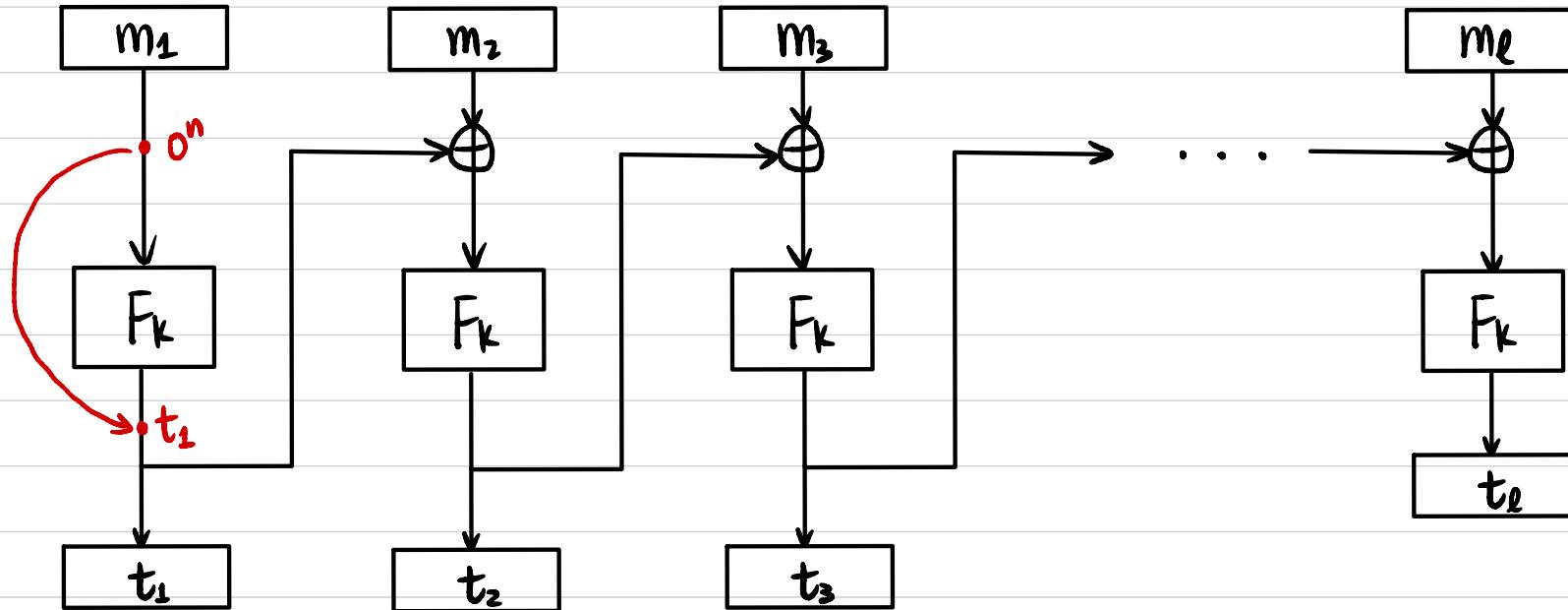
- $\text{Gen}(1^n)$ : Sample  $k \in \{0,1\}^n$ , output  $k$ .
- $\text{Mac}_k(m)$ :  $m \in \{0,1\}^{l(n) \cdot n}$   $m = m_1 || m_2 || \dots || m_\ell$   $m_i \in \{0,1\}^n$



- $\text{Vrfy}_k(m, t)$ :  $\text{Mac}_k(m) \stackrel{?}{=} t$

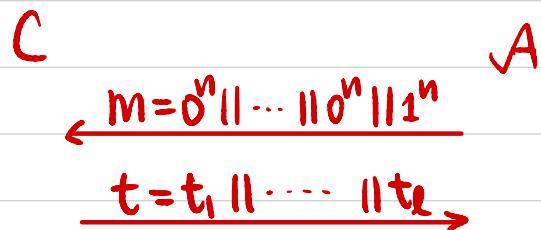
Thm If  $F$  is a PRF, then CBC-MAC is a secure MAC scheme for fixed-length messages of length  $l(n) \cdot n$ .

## Exercises



$$t = t_1 \parallel t_2 \parallel \dots \parallel t_e$$

Show this is not a secure MAC for fixed-length messages of length  $\ell(n) \cdot n$



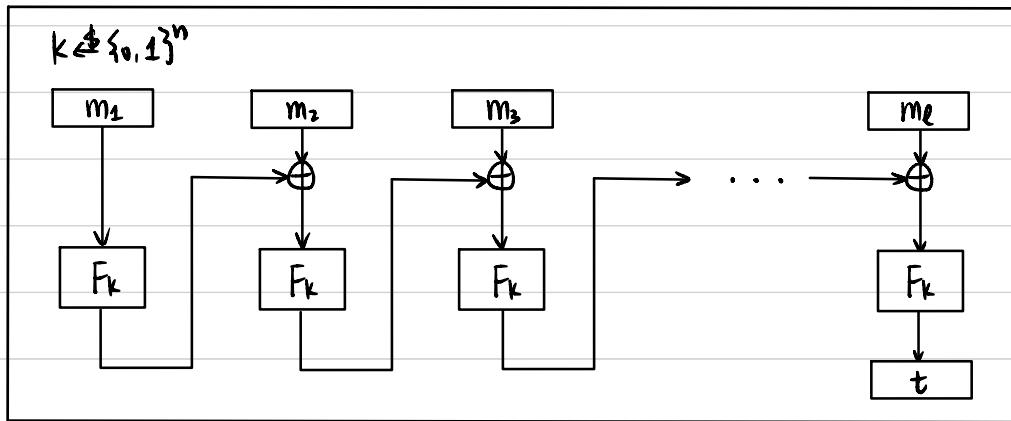
Output  $m^* = 0^n \parallel \dots \parallel 0^n \parallel t_{e-1}$   
 $t^* = t_1 \parallel \dots \parallel t_{e-1} \parallel t_1$

Thm If  $F$  is a PRF, then CBC-MAC is a secure MAC scheme for fixed-length messages of length  $l(n) \cdot n$ .

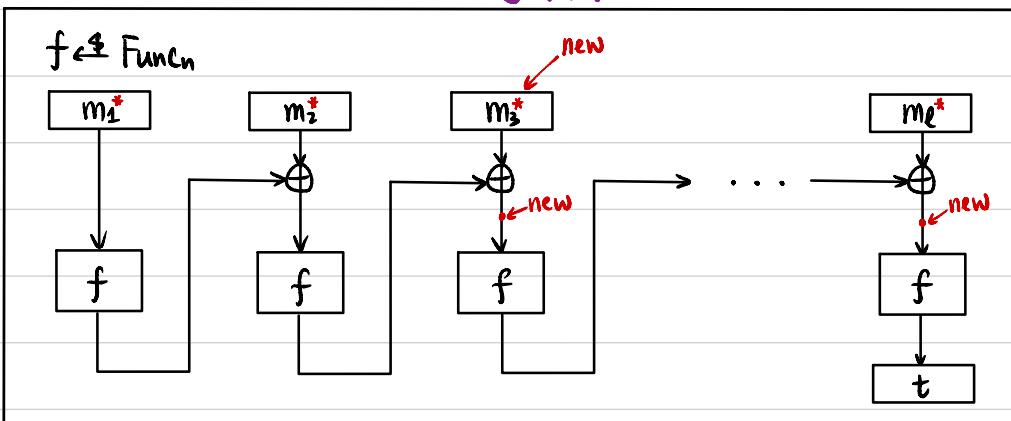
Proof Sketch

$$\text{Mac}: \{0,1\}^n \times \{0,1\}^{l(n) \cdot n} \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$$

Suffices to show Mac is a PRF.



↑ PRF

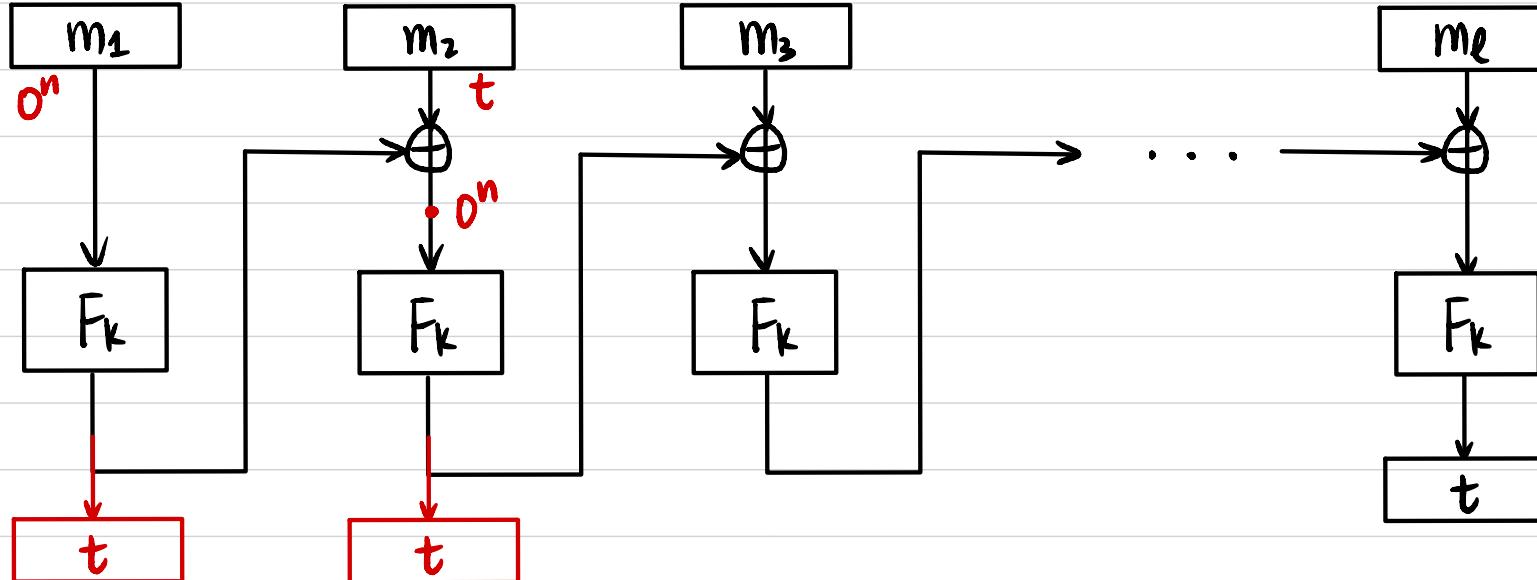


↑ statistical

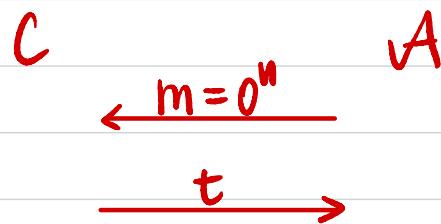
$$g \leftarrow \{ h \mid h: \{0,1\}^{l(n) \cdot n} \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n \}$$

$$t := g(m_1 || \dots || m_e)$$

## Exercises



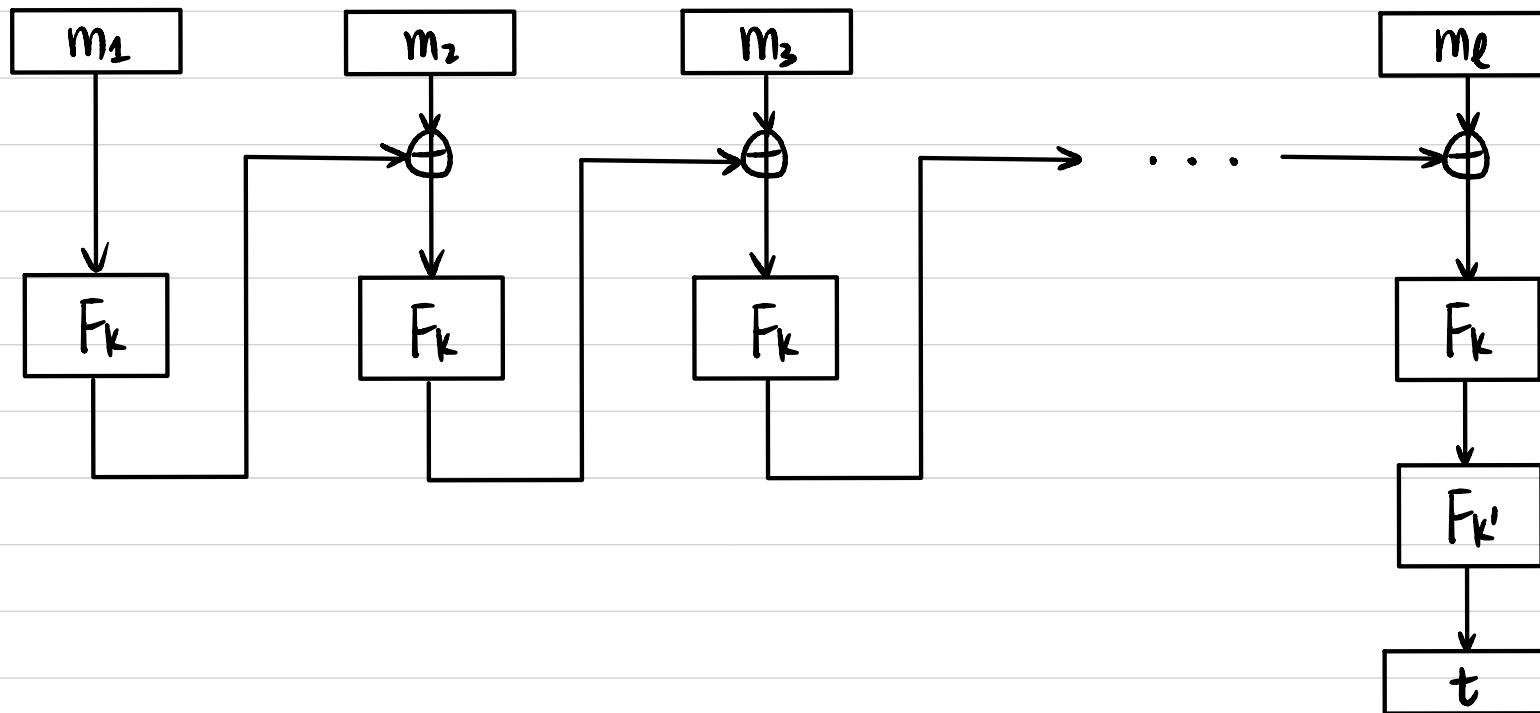
Is CBC-MAC a secure MAC for messages of arbitrary length (multiple of  $n$ )?



Output  $m^* = 0^n || t$   
 $t^* = t$

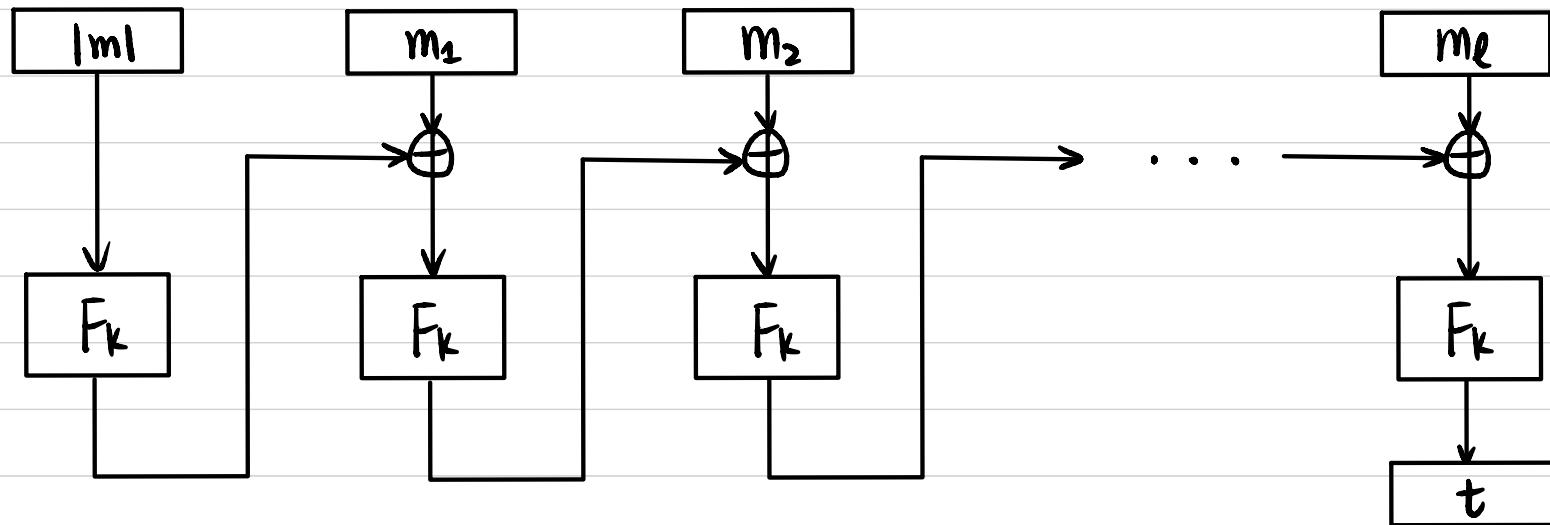
## MAC for messages of arbitrary length (multiple of n)

Approach 1: MAC of CBC-MAC

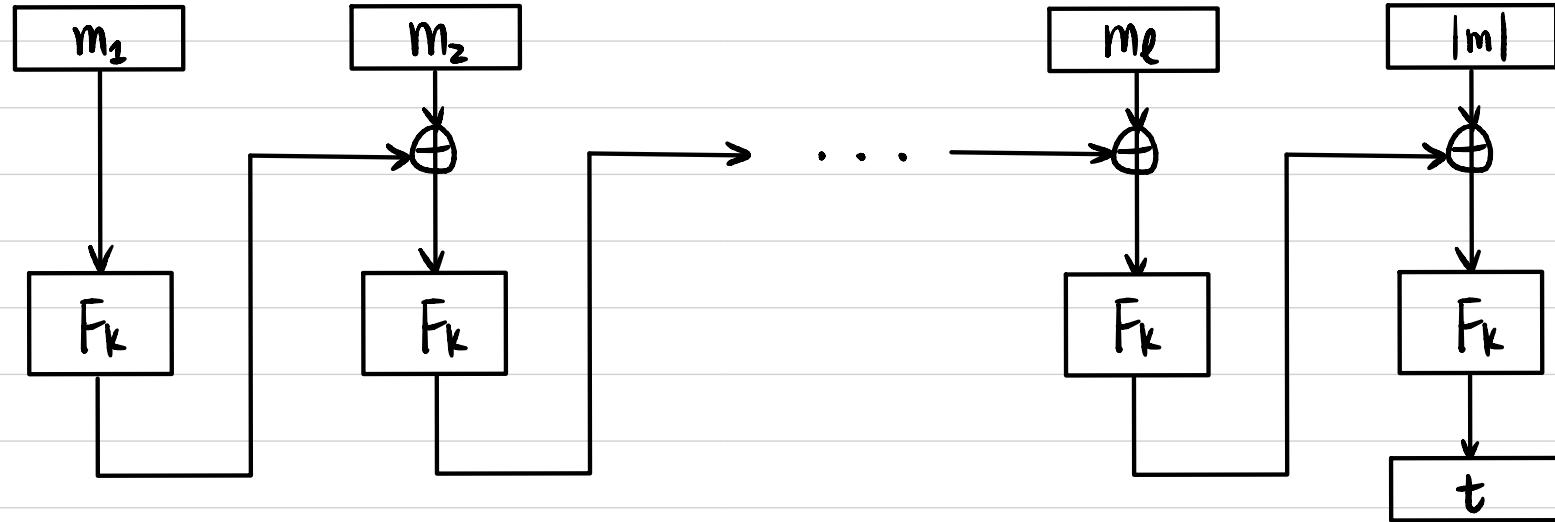


## MAC for messages of arbitrary length (multiple of n)

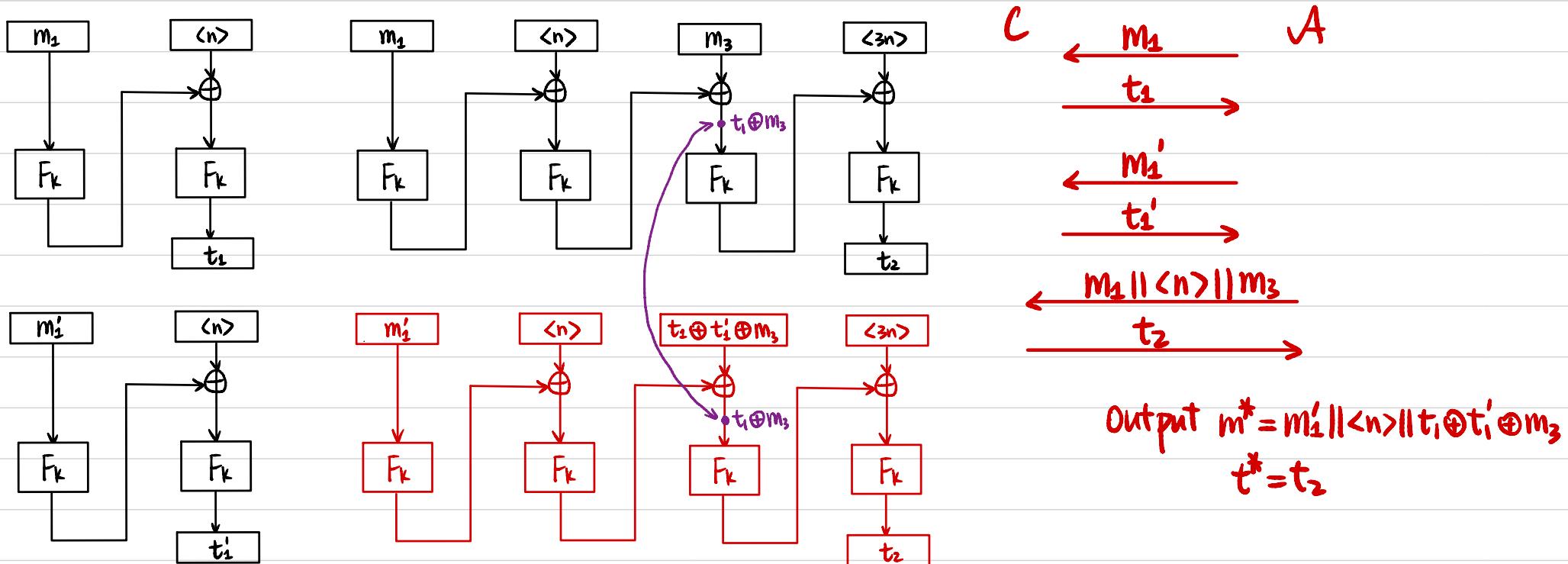
Approach 2 : CBC-MAC on  $|m| \parallel m$



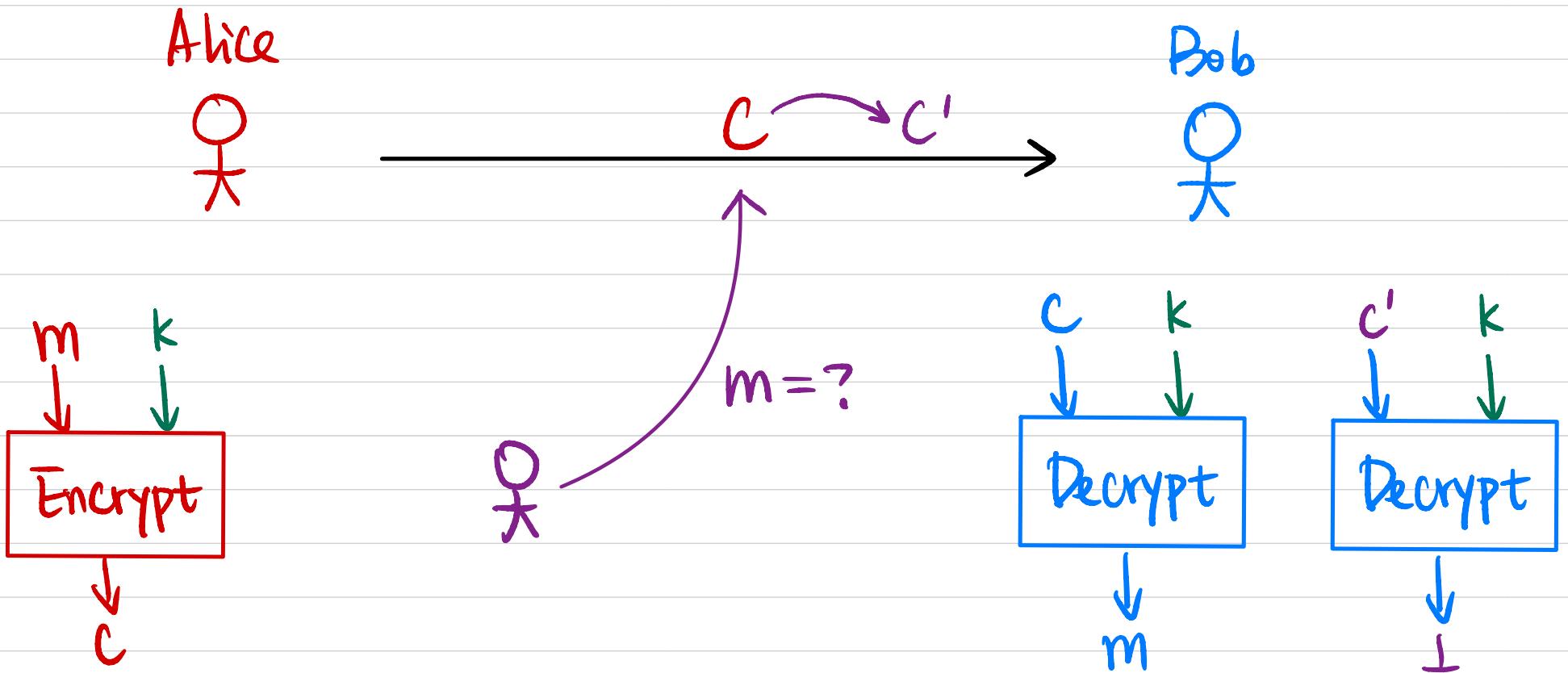
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Show this is not a secure MAC for messages of arbitrary length (multiple of n).



# Authenticated Encryption



## Security Guarantees:

- Message Secrecy: CCA Security
- Message Integrity: Unforgeability