

CSCI 1515 Applied Cryptography

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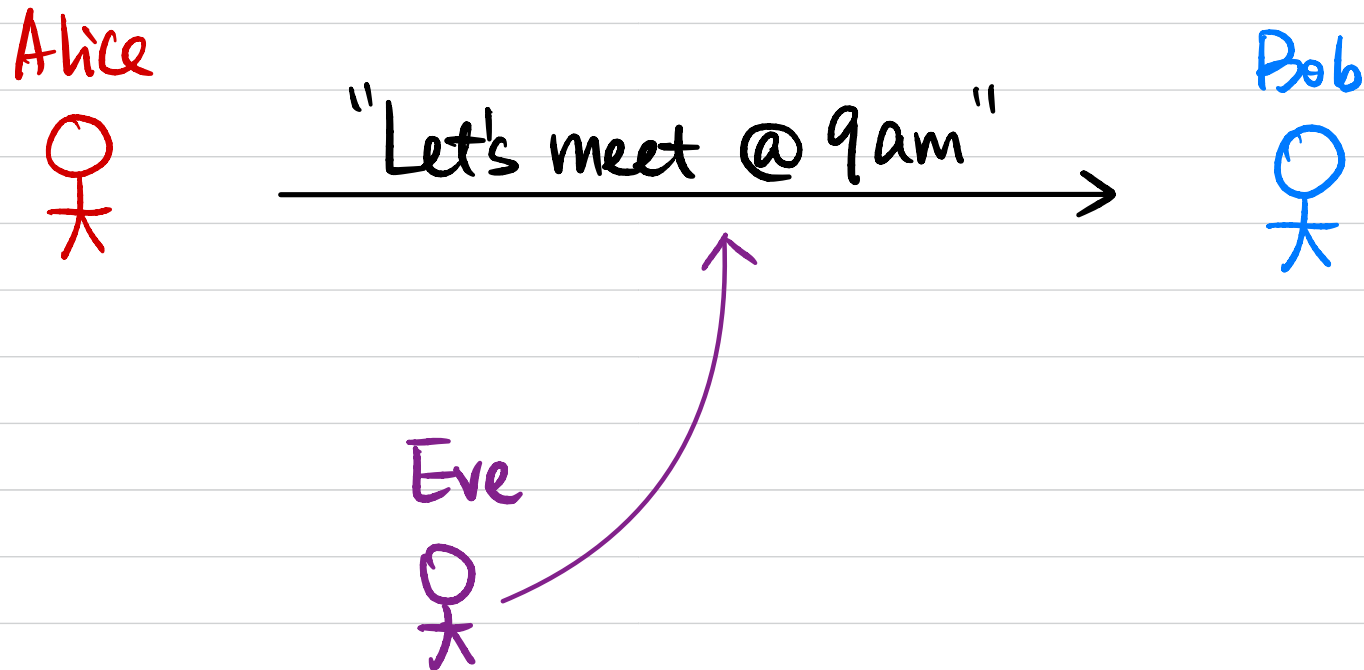
What is Cryptography (used for)?

Study of techniques for protecting (sensitive/important) information.

Where is Cryptography used in practice?

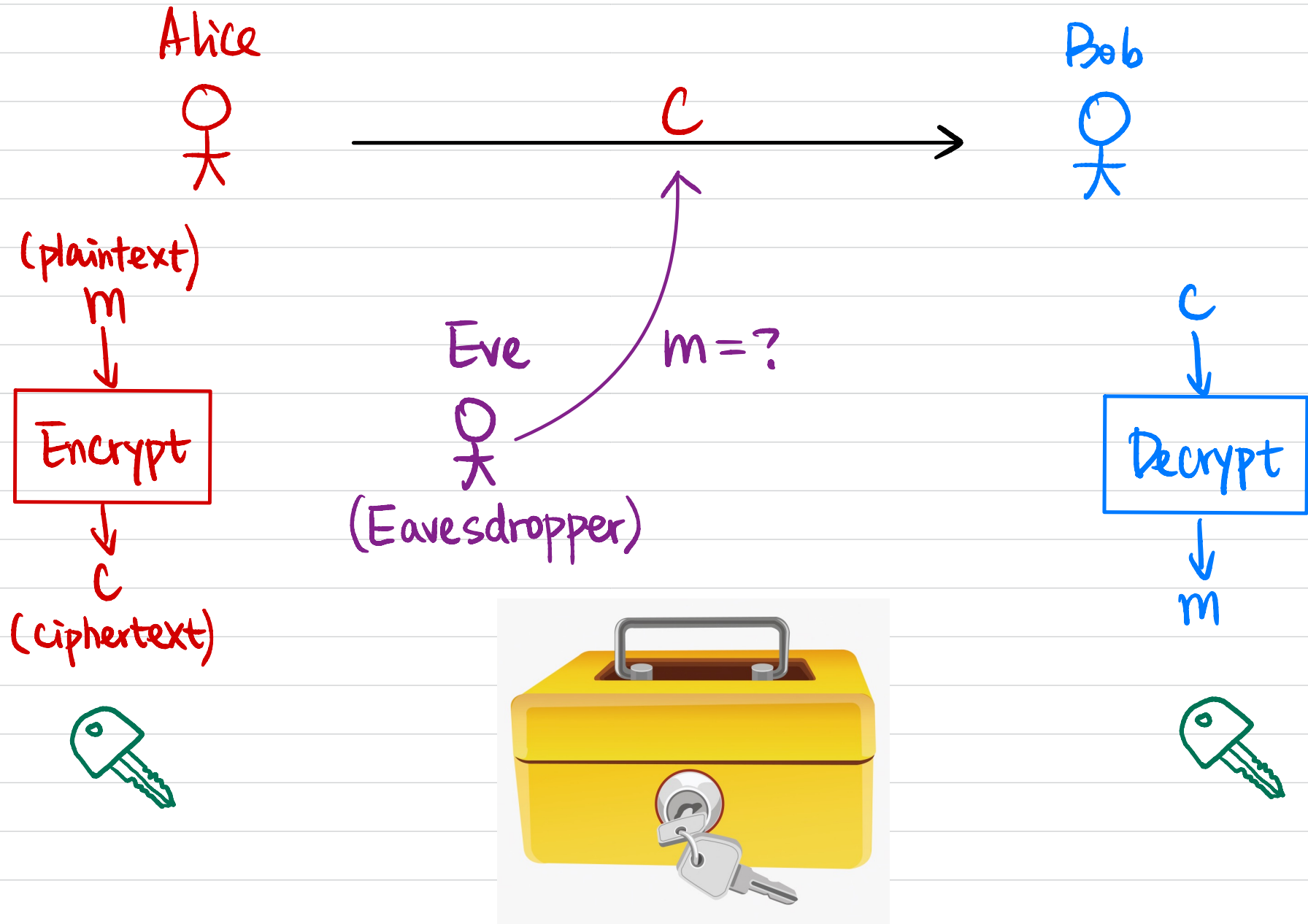
What guarantees do we want in these scenarios?

Secure Communication



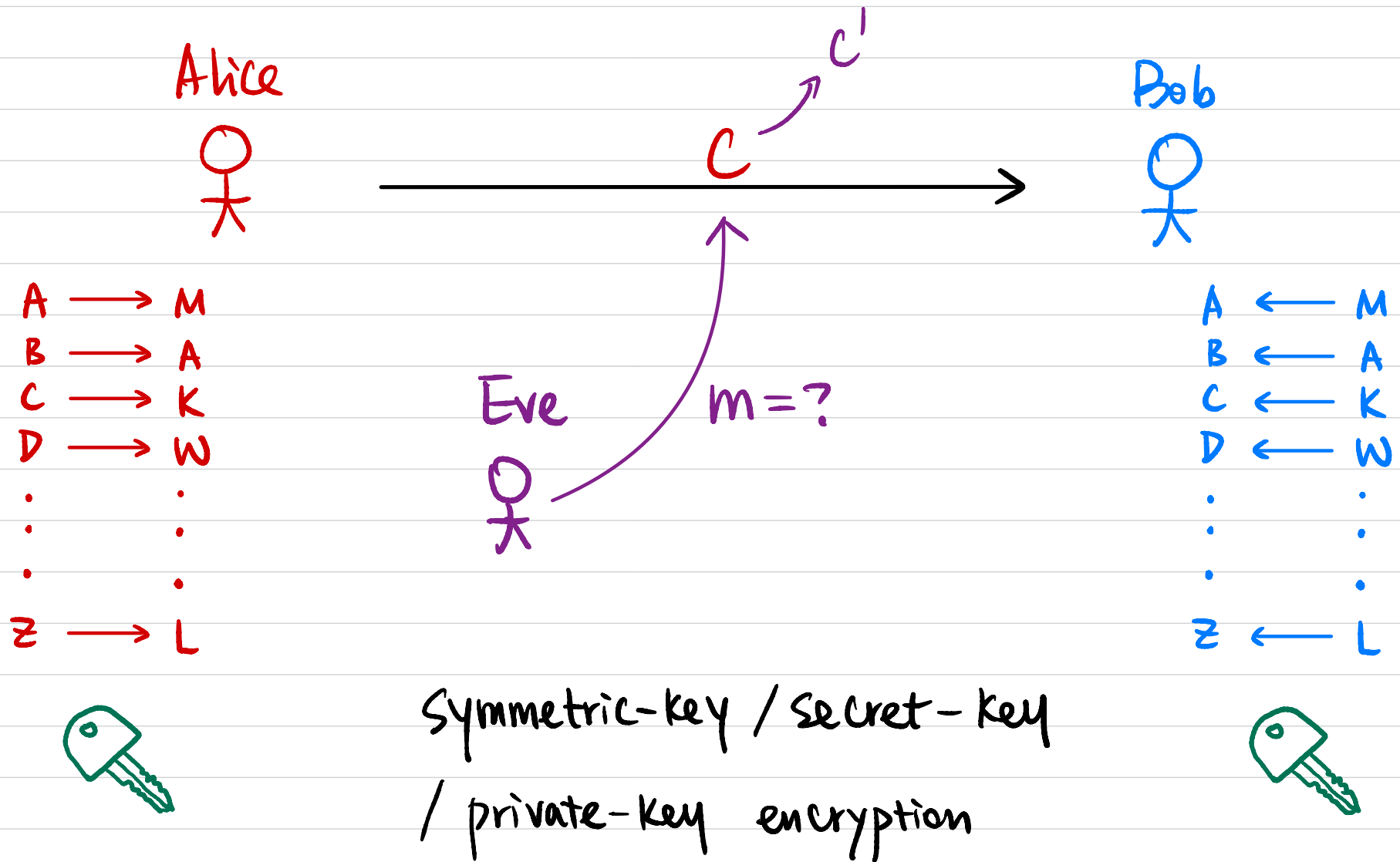
What security guarantee(s) do we want?

Message Secrecy

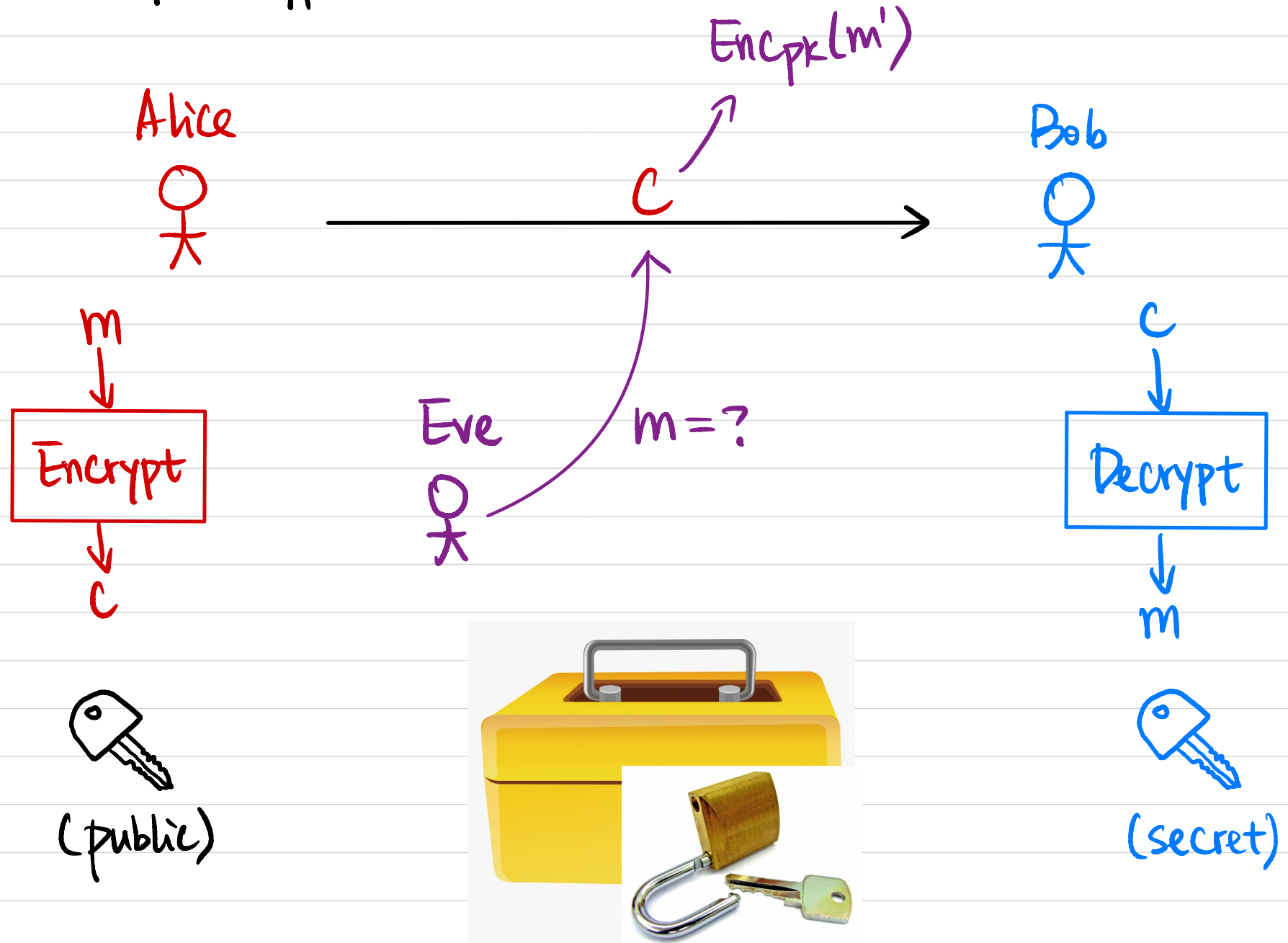


Historical Ciphers

Ex: Substitution Cipher



Public-Key Encryption



Message Integrity

Alice



"Let's meet @ 9am" →

Bob



tamper with

Eve



Is it from Alice?

Secure Authentication

Alice



Login



Google



Is it from Alice?

Search/Gmail/...



Is it from Google?

Projects Overview

Project 0 (warm-up): Basic Schemes

Project 1: Secure Communication

Project 2: Secure Authentication

Project 3: Zero-Knowledge Proofs

Project 4: Secure Multi-Party Computation

Project 5: Fully Homomorphic Encryption
(Post-Quantum Cryptography)

Project 3: Zero-Knowledge Proofs

Alice



Bob



[Coca-Cola & Pepsi
taste differently]

[There is a bug in your code]

[I have the secret key
for this ciphertext]

Ex: Coca-Cola & Pepsi

Alice



Bob

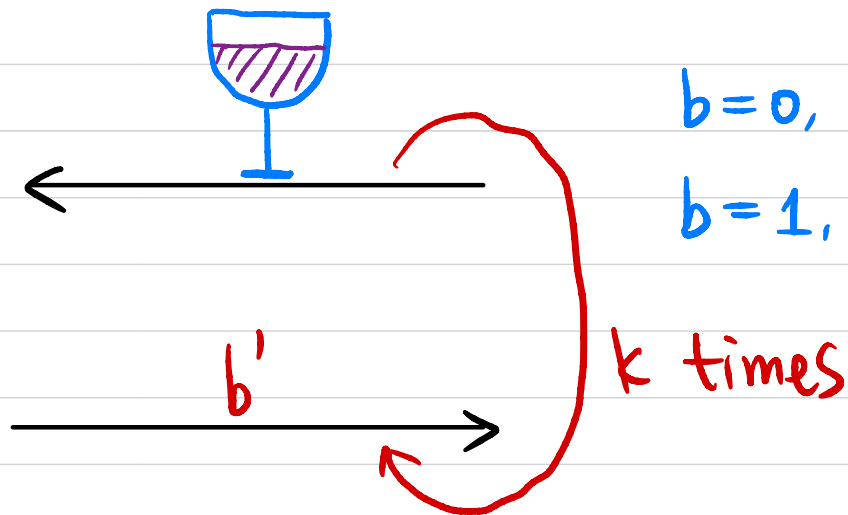


[Coca-Cola & Pepsi
taste differently]

$b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$

$b=0$, Coca-Cola

$b=1$, Pepsi



If statement is true: $b' = b$

If statement is false: $\Pr[b' = b] = (1/2)^k$

Project 4: Secure Multi-Party Computation

Alice



$x \in \{0, 1\}$

$x \in \{0, 1\}^{1000}$

Second date? $y \in \{0, 1\}$

$$f(x, y) = x \wedge y$$

Who is richer? $y \in \{0, 1\}^{1000}$

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \text{Alice} & \text{if } x > y \\ \text{Bob} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Bob



$$X = \begin{Bmatrix} \text{friend}_A^1 \\ \vdots \\ \text{friend}_A^n \end{Bmatrix}$$

Common friends?

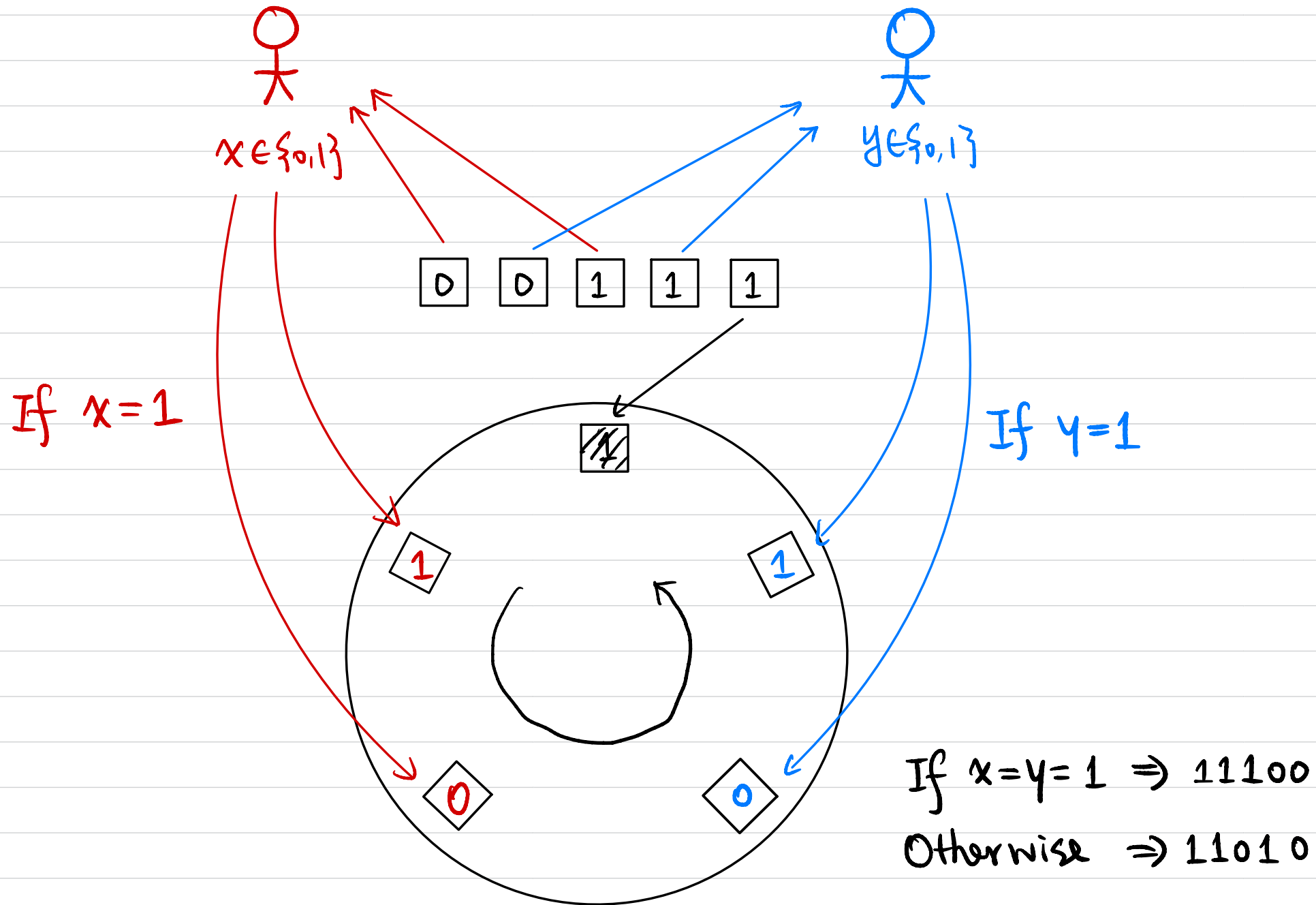
$$f(X, Y) = X \cap Y$$

$$Y = \begin{Bmatrix} \text{friend}_B^1 \\ \vdots \\ \text{friend}_B^m \end{Bmatrix}$$

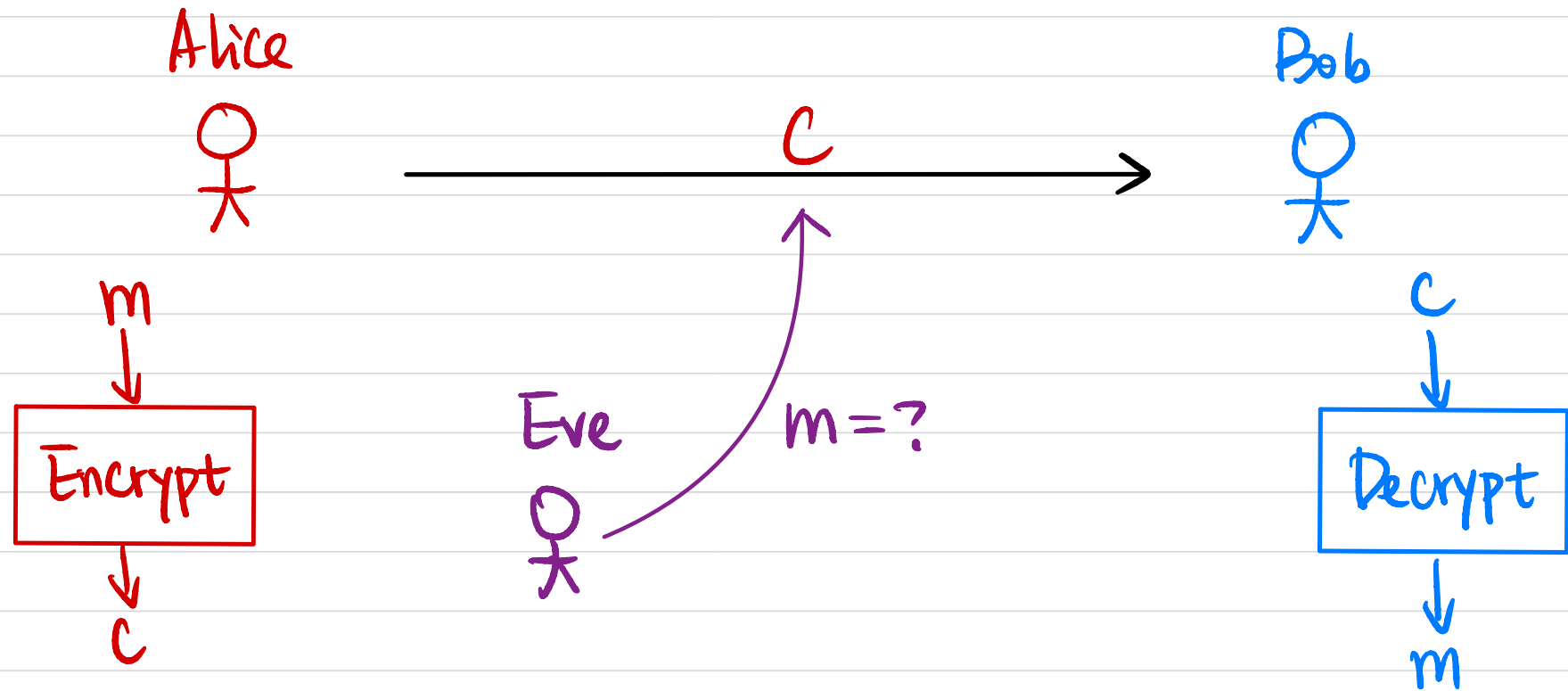
$$X = \begin{Bmatrix} (\text{username}, \text{password}) \\ \vdots \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$Y = \begin{Bmatrix} (\text{usr}, \text{psw}) \\ \vdots \end{Bmatrix}$$

Ex: Private Dating

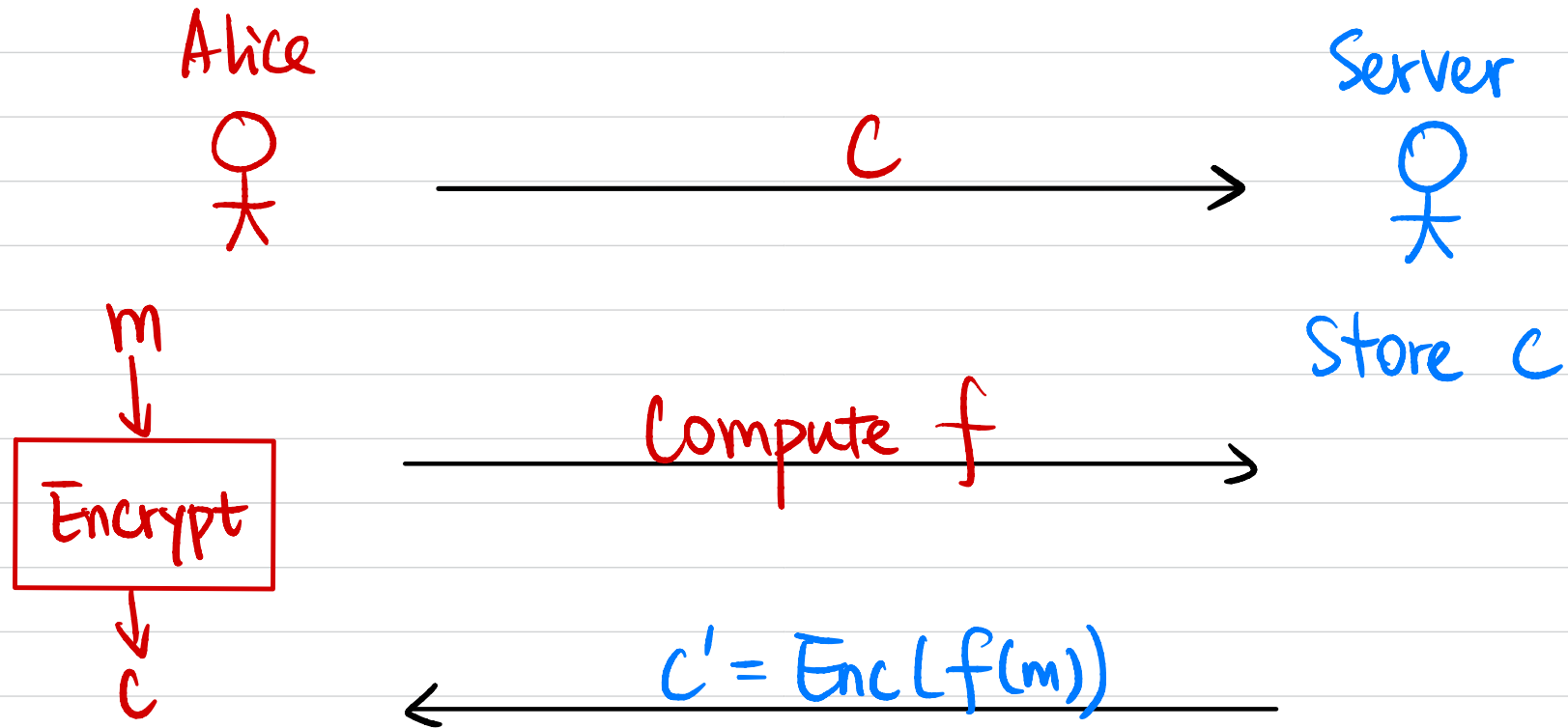


Project 5: Fully Homomorphic Encryption



$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= \text{Enc}(m_1) \\ c_2 &= \text{Enc}(m_2) \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c' &= \text{Enc}(m_1 + m_2) \\ c'' &= \text{Enc}(m_1 \cdot m_2) \end{aligned}$$

Ex. Outsourced Computation



What else would you like to learn?

- Differential Privacy
- Crypto applications in machine learning
- Crypto techniques used in blockchain

Quick Survey

Do you know what this means:

- polynomial-time algorithm
- NP-hard problem
- a divides b ($a \mid b$)
- greatest common divisor $\gcd(a, b)$
- (Extended) Euclidean Algorithm
- Groups
- One-Time Pad
- RSA encryption/signature
- Diffie-Hellman key exchange
- SHA (hash functions)