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The historic ciphers from the previous lectures are intuitively “insecure”. Can we prove that formally?

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Another benefit of formal definitions is *modularity*:

- A designer can replace an encryption scheme with another (that satisfies the same security definition)
- The security of the overall application is unaffected



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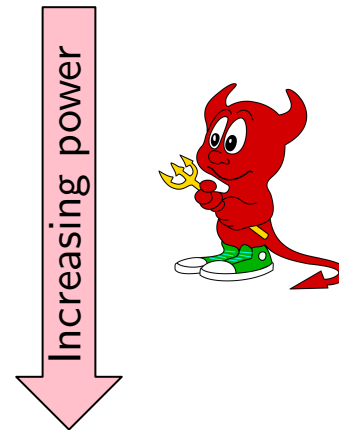
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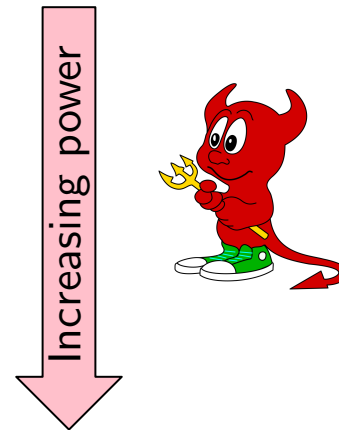
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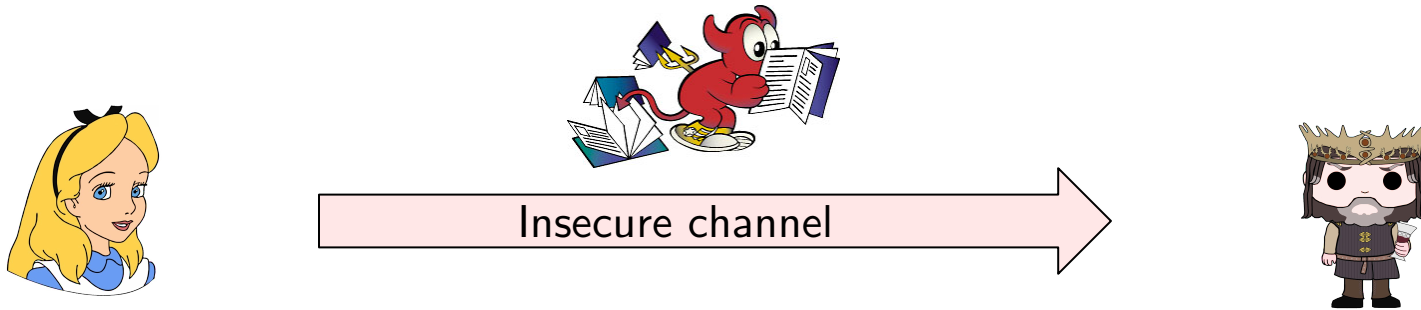
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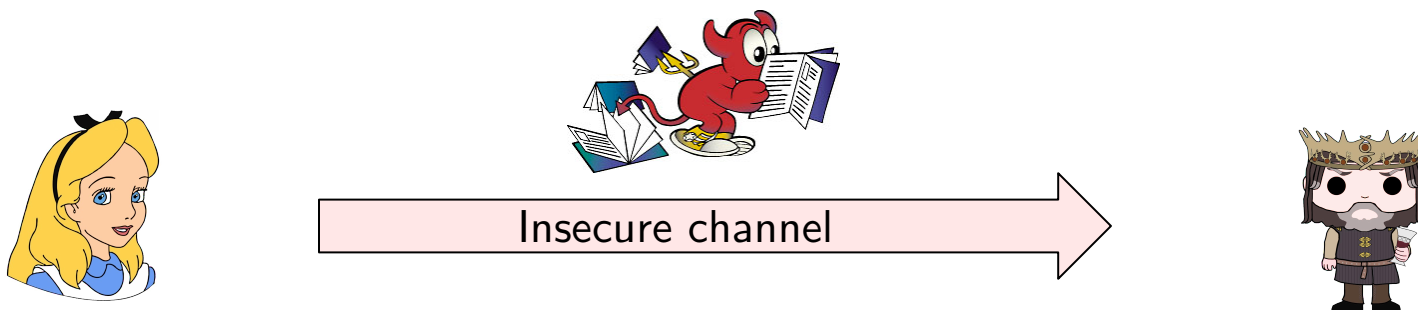
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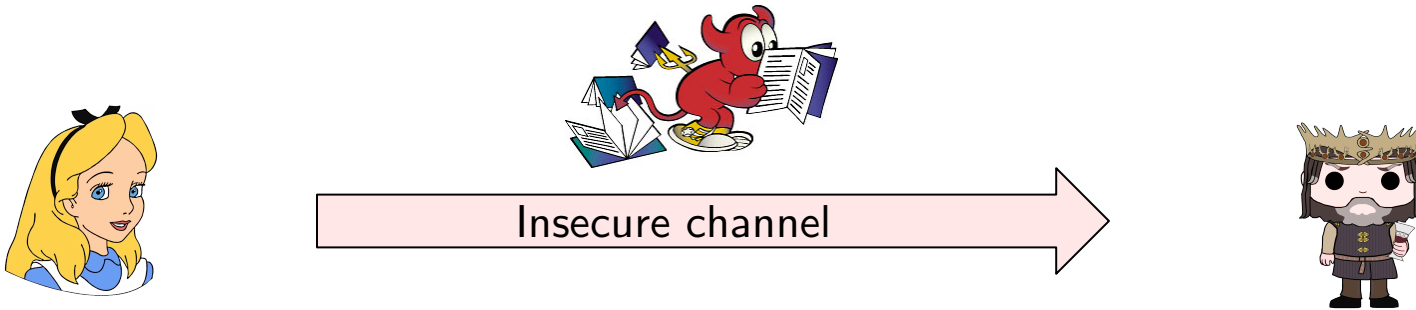


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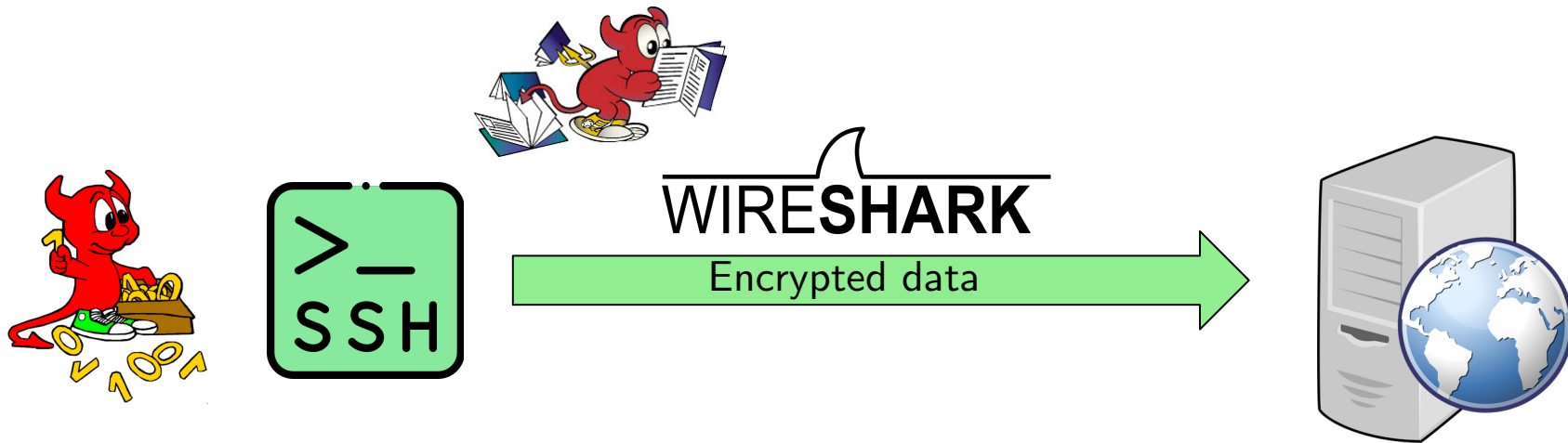


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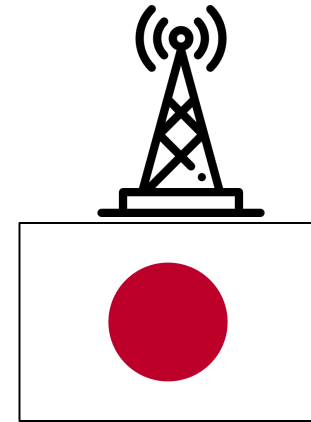
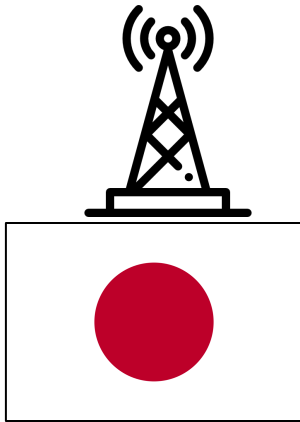


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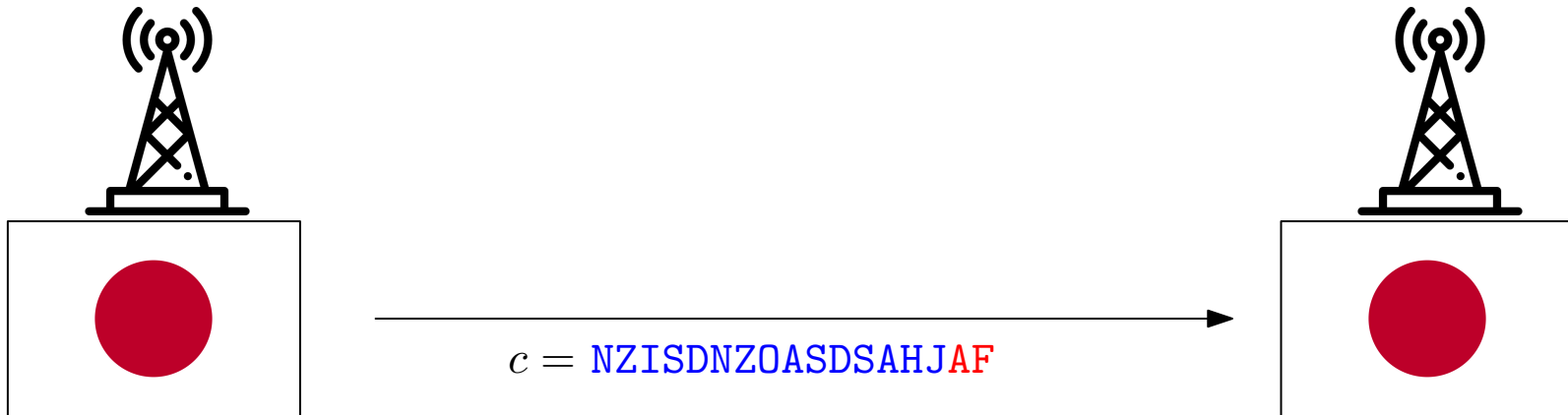


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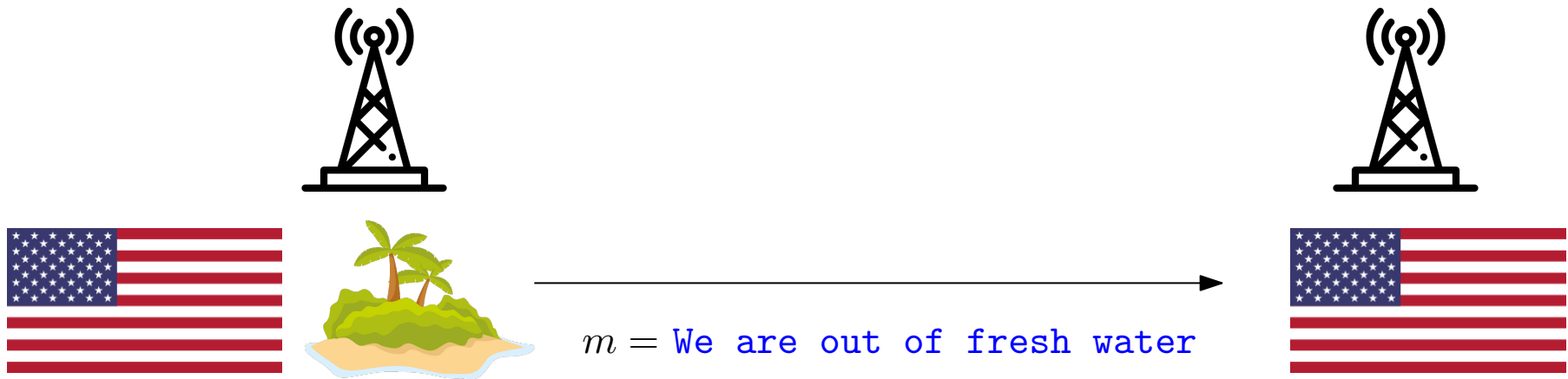
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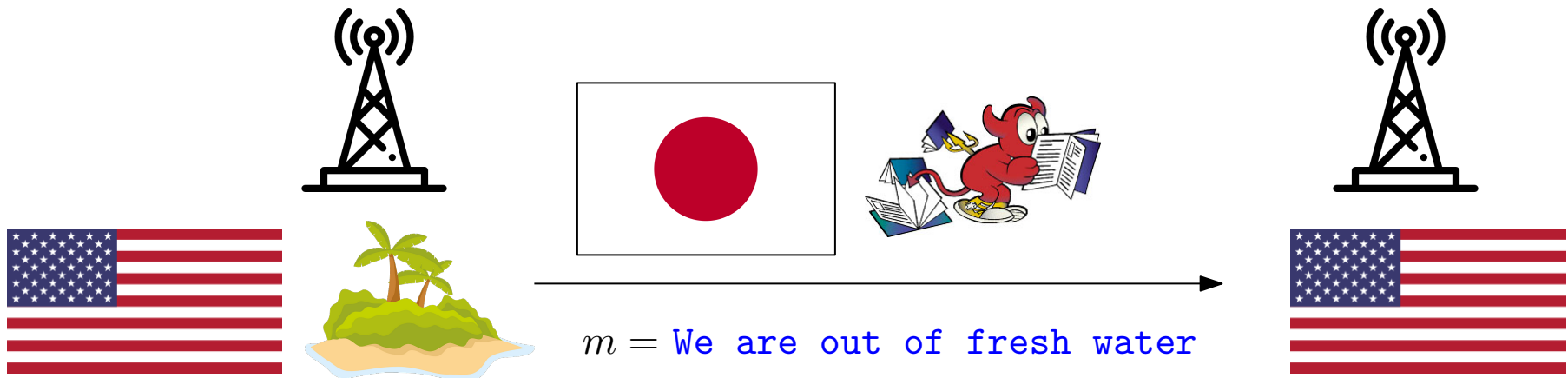
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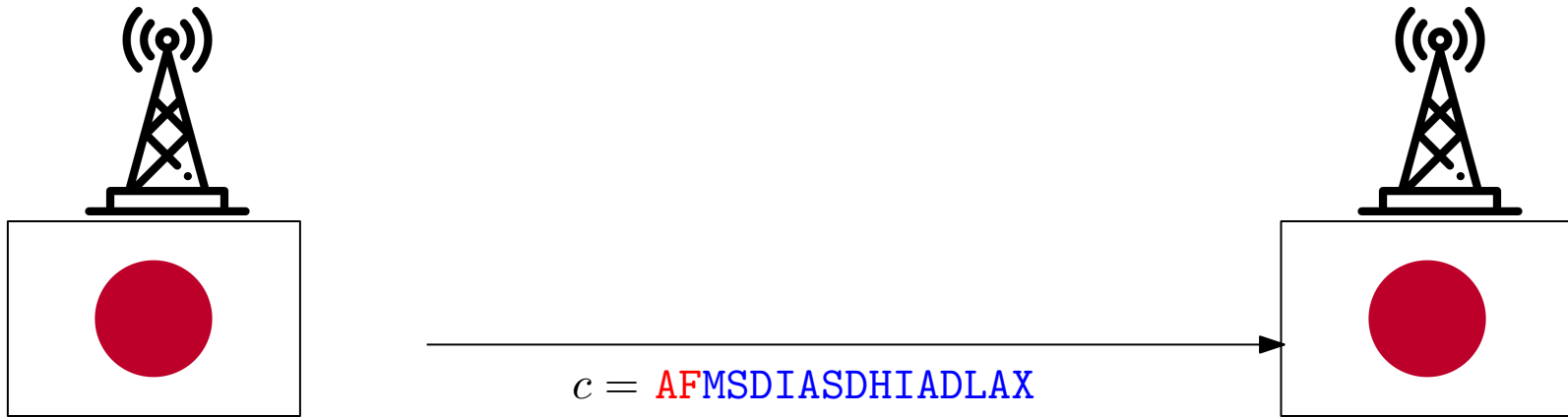
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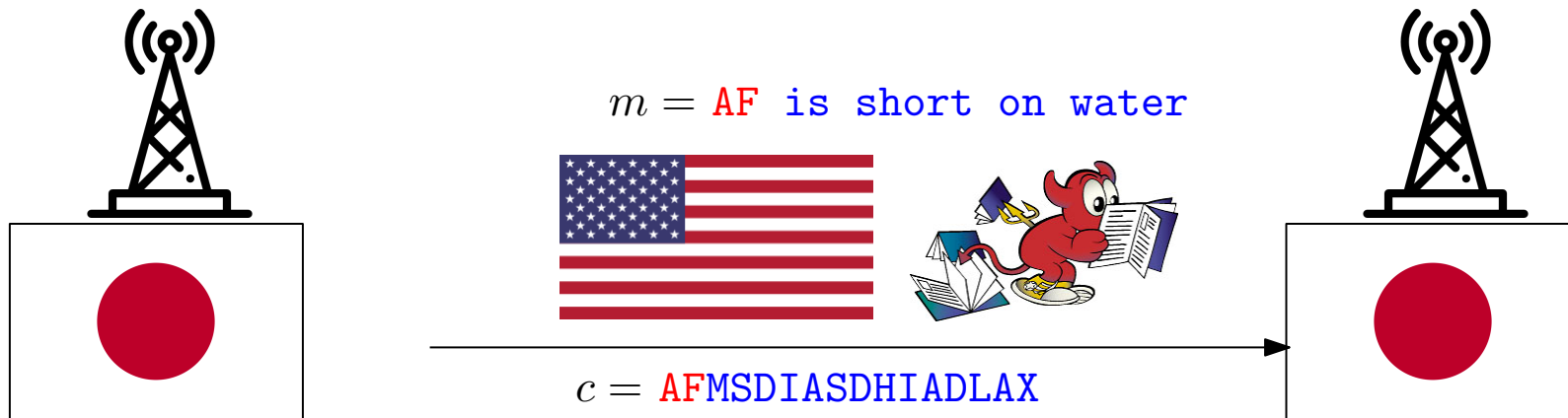


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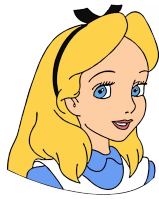
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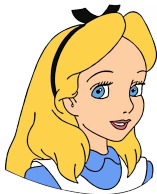
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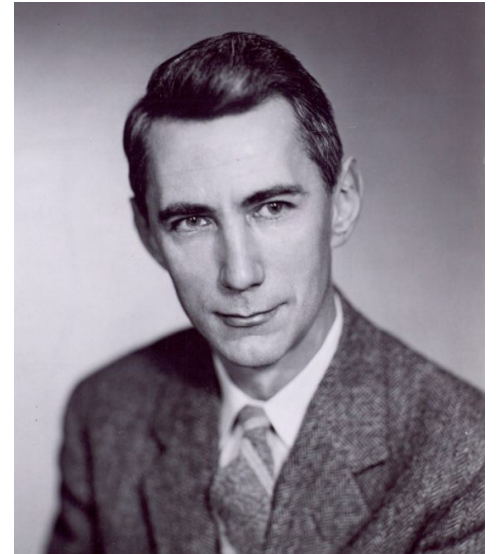
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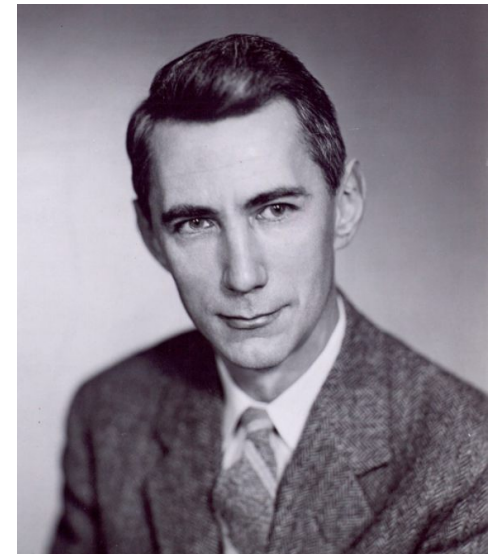
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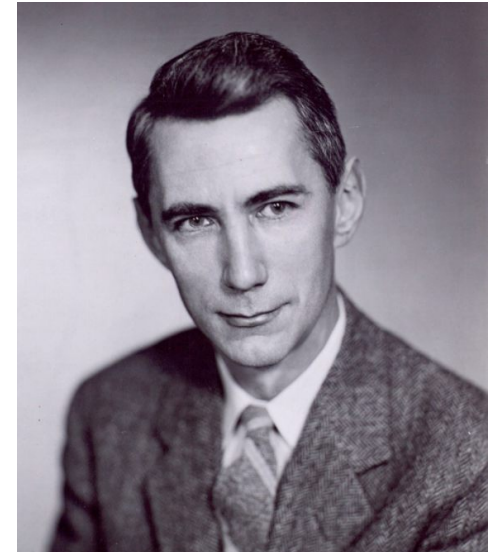
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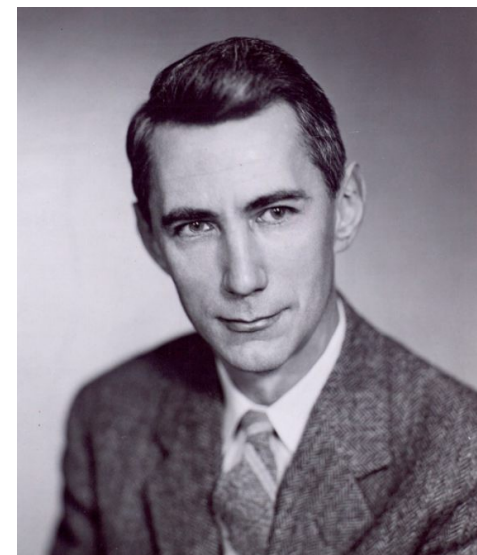
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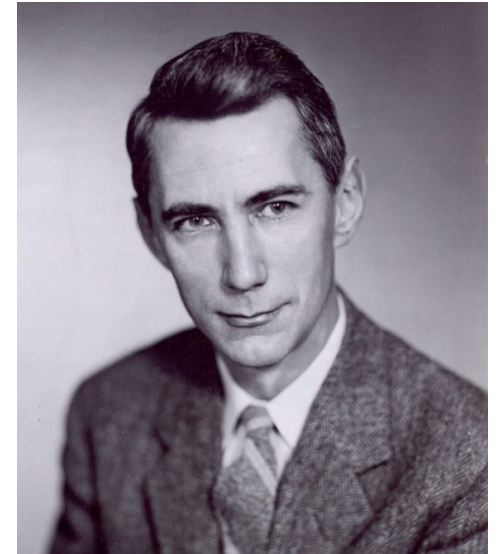
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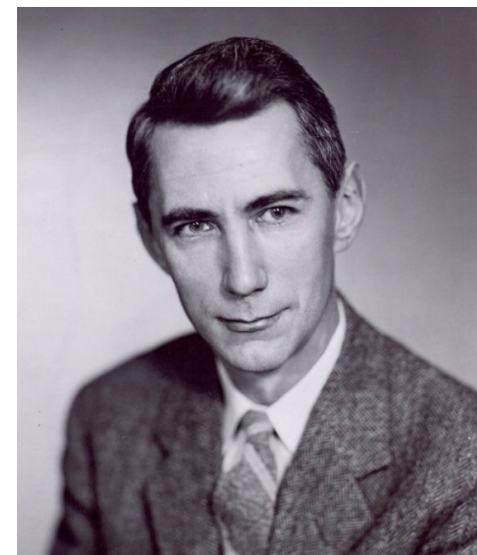
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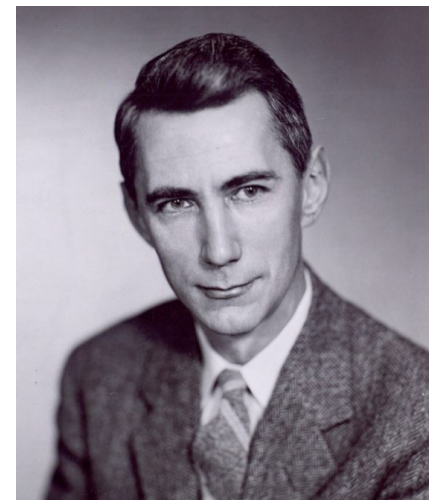
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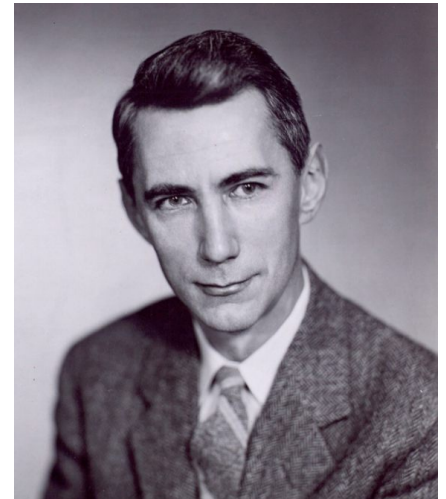
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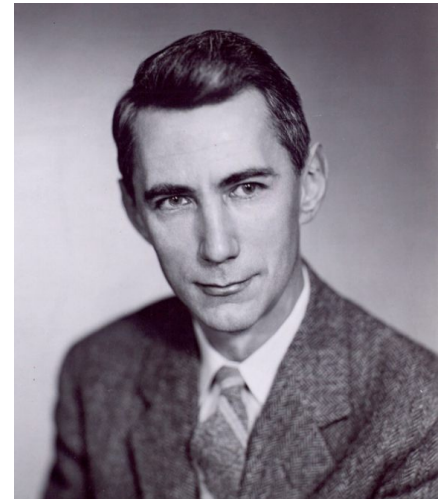
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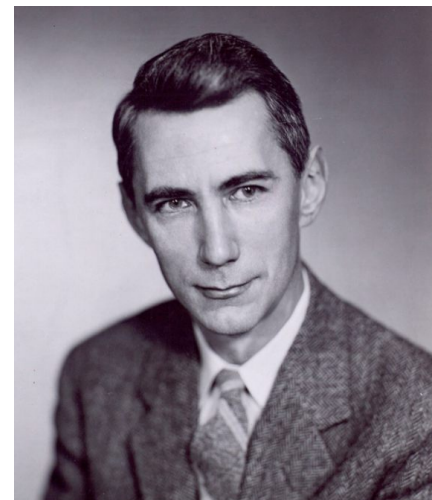
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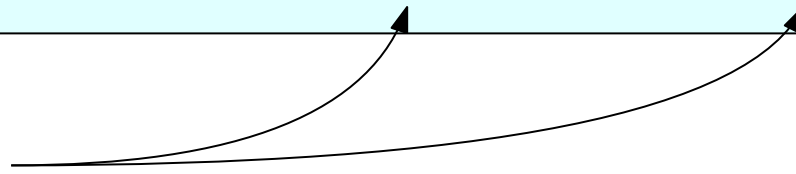
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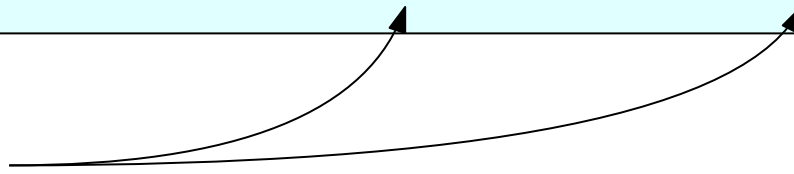
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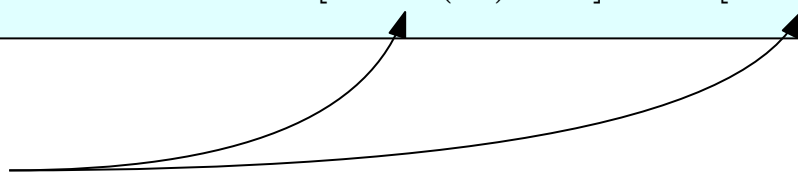
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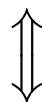
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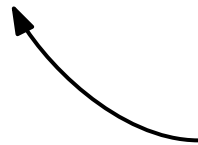
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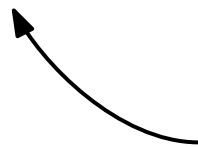
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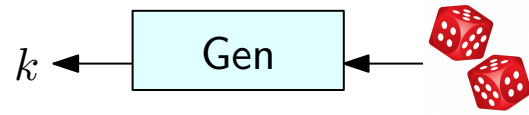
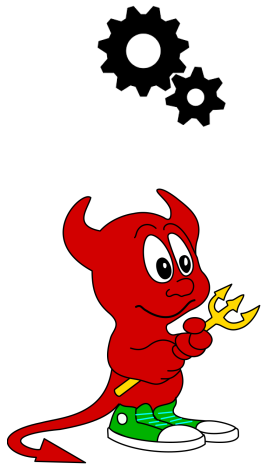
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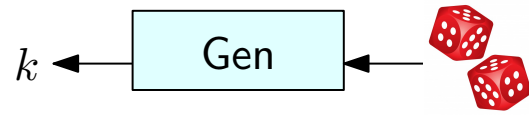
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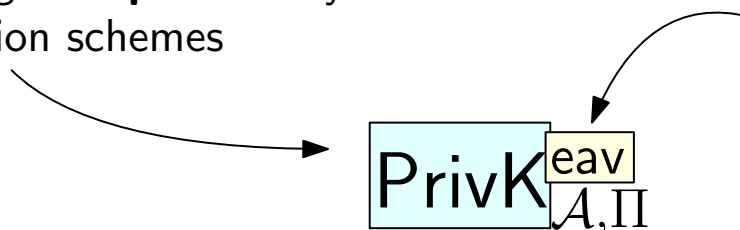
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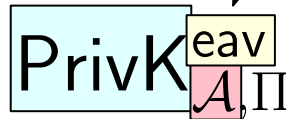
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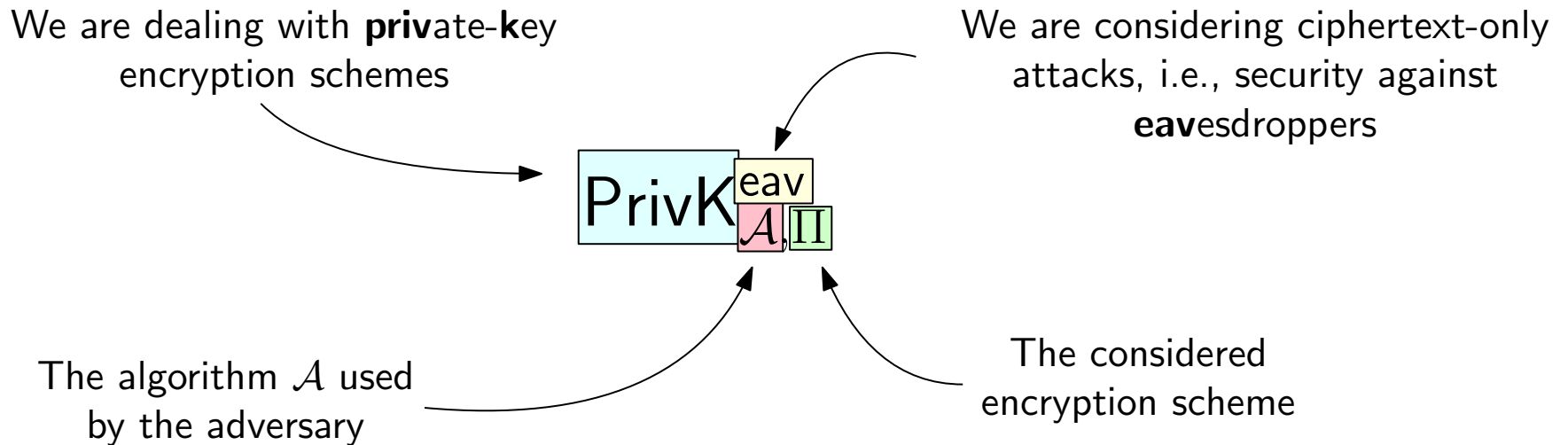
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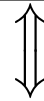


Perfect secrecy & perfect indistinguishability

A private key encryption scheme is **perfectly secret** if and only if it is **perfectly indistinguishable**.

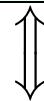
\forall probability distribution over \mathcal{M} , $\forall m \in \mathcal{M}, c \in \mathcal{C}$ with $\Pr[C = c] \neq 0$:

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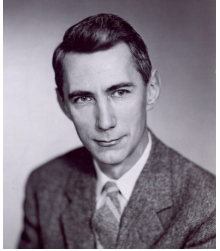
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Recap: Equivalent definitions



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