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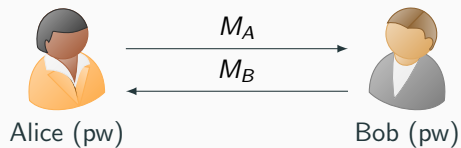
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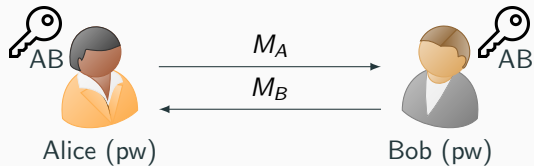
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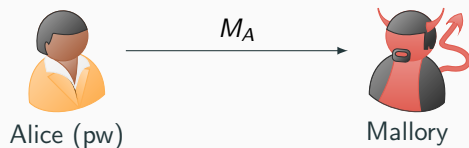
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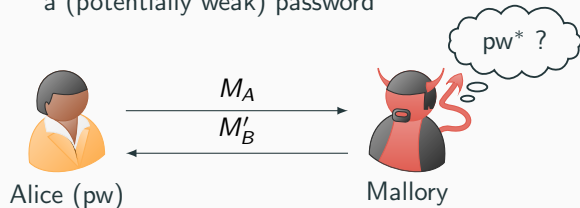
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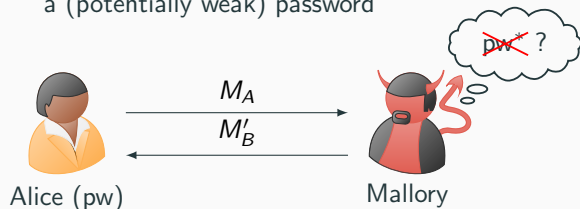
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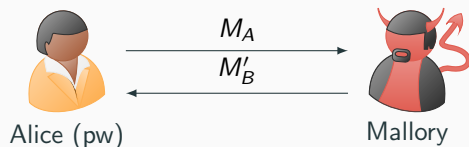
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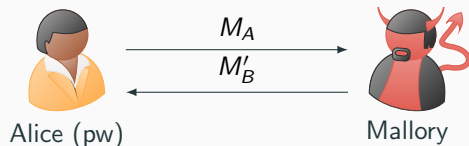
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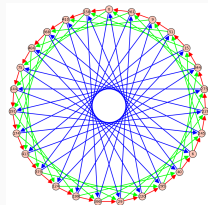
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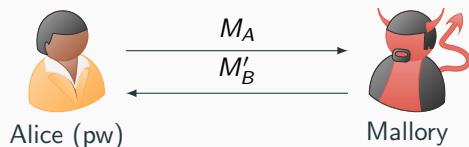
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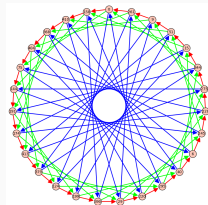
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Generic Constructions

- Quite inefficient construction using OT
- Unclear how to use the HPS of [ADMP20]

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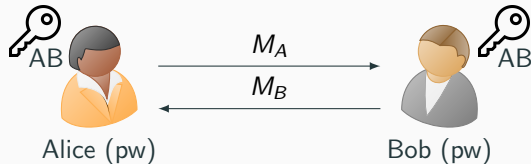
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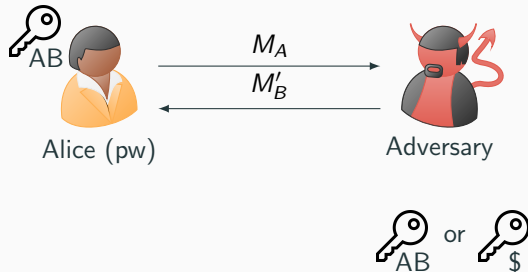
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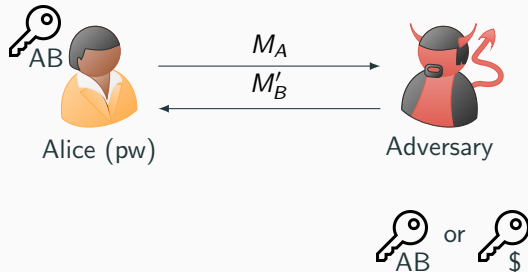
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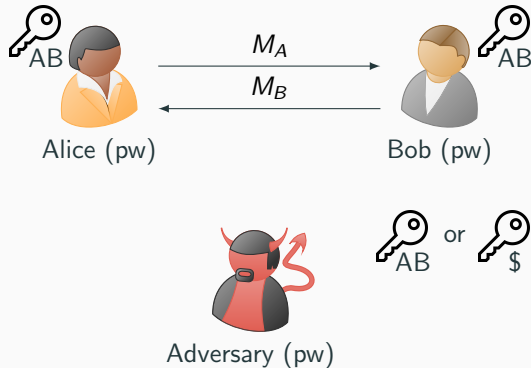
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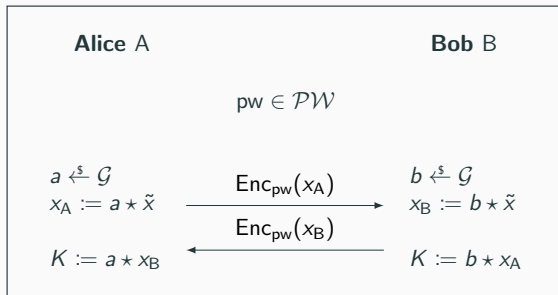
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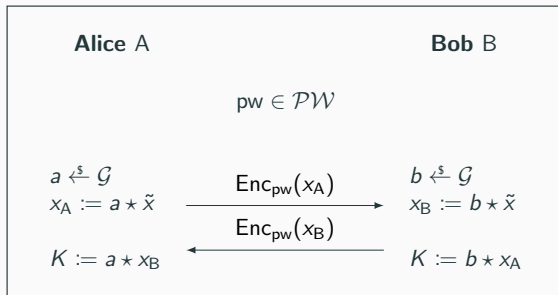
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Offline Dictionary Attack: Decrypt messages and check if the output lies in \mathcal{X} (is a supersingular curve).

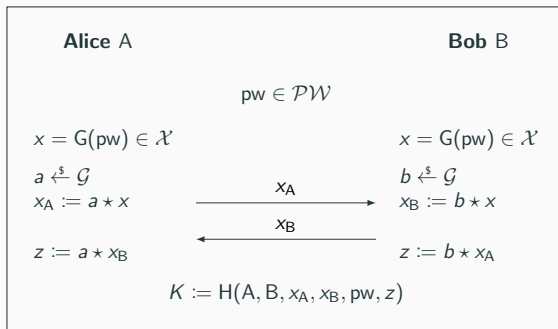
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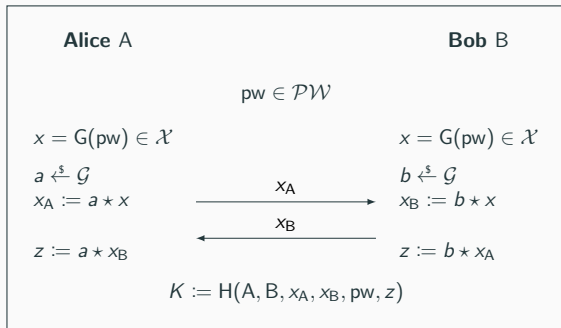
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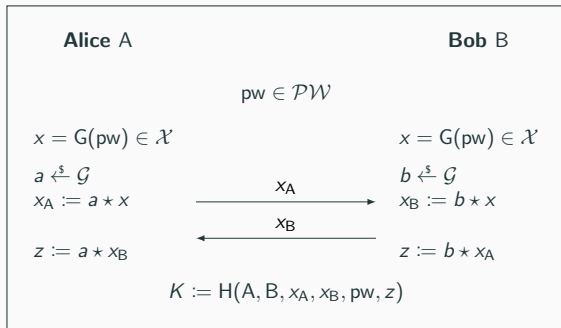
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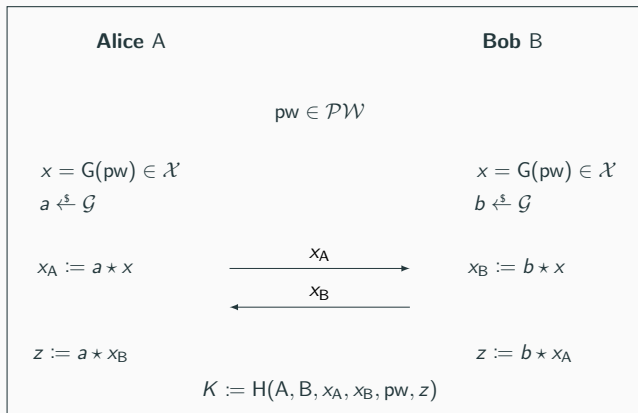
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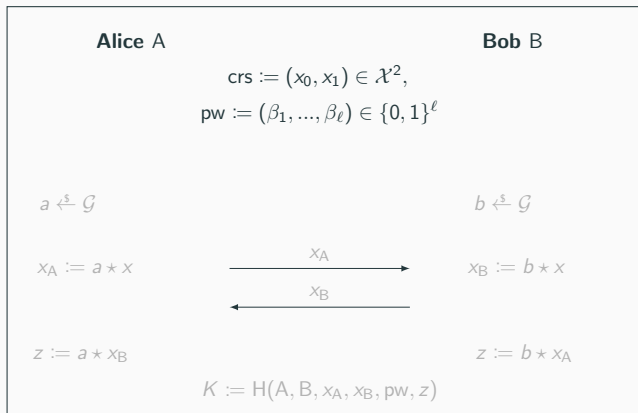
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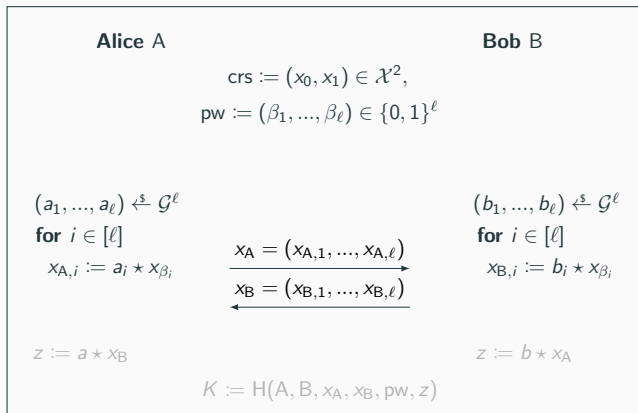
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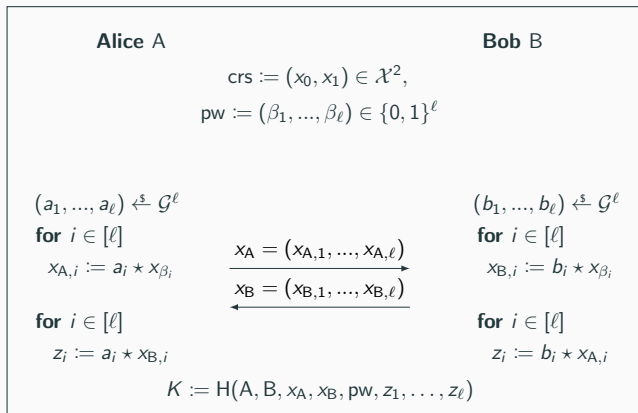
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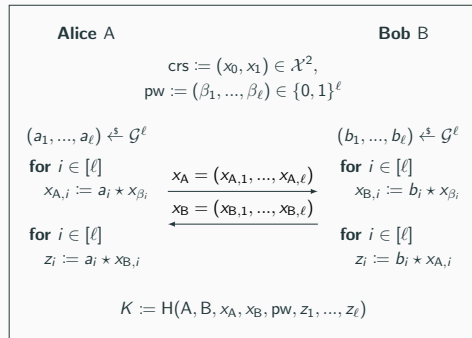
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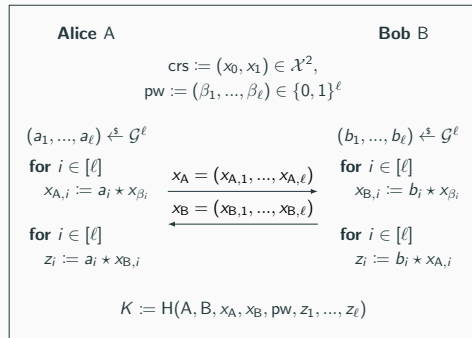
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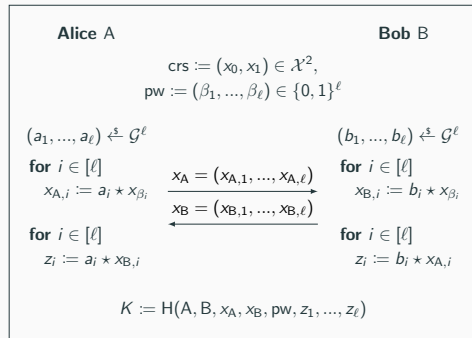
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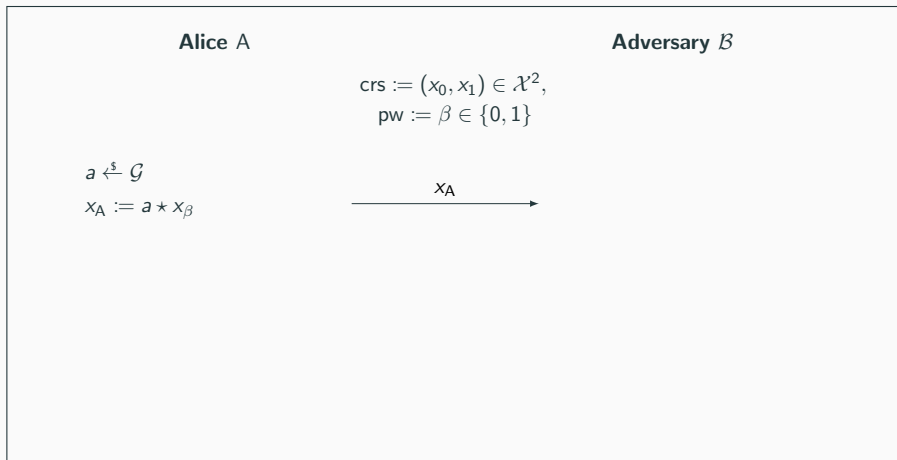


Additional Structure of the CSIDH Group Action

- For any $x \in \mathcal{X}$, we can efficiently compute its *twist* denoted by x^t .
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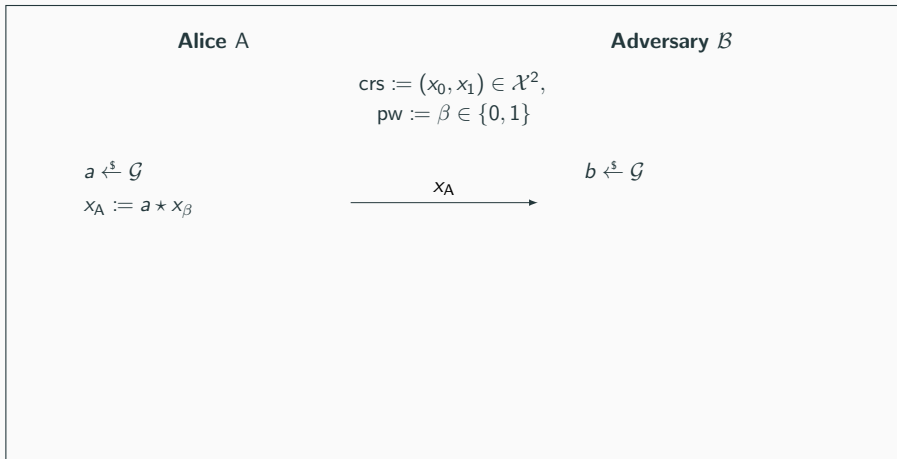
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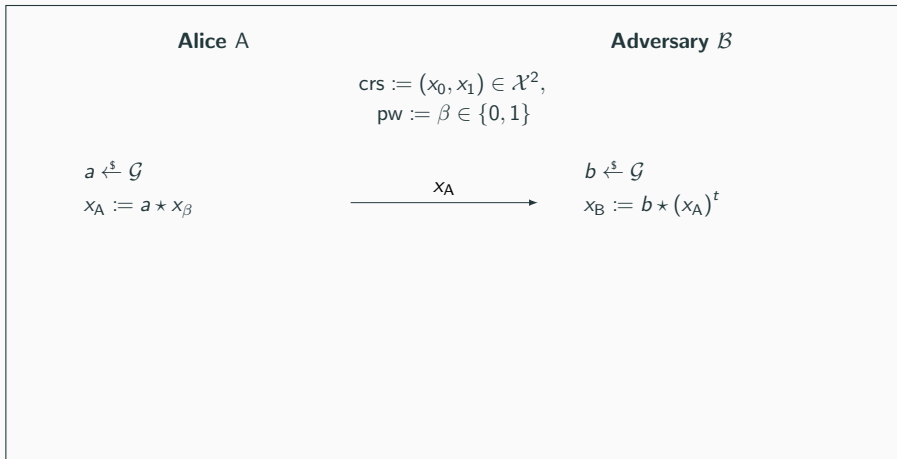
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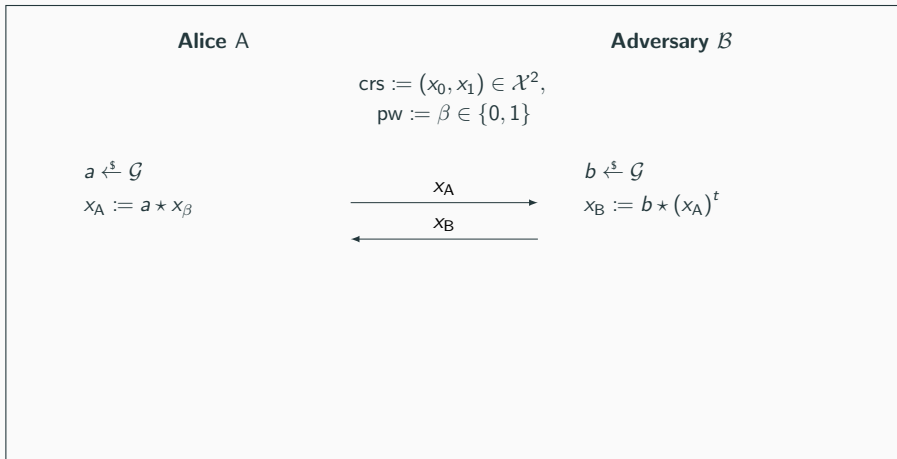
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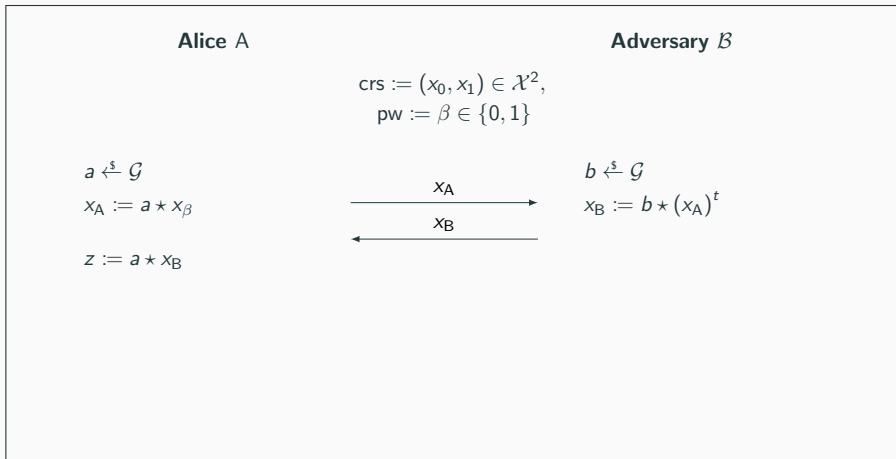
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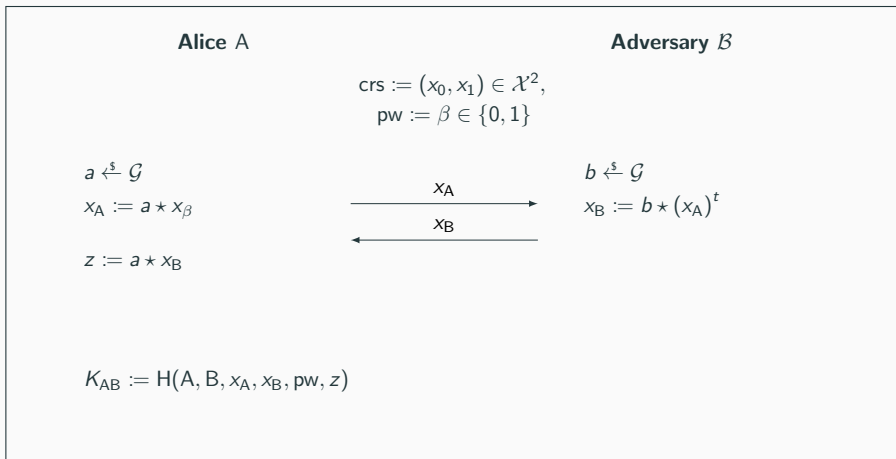
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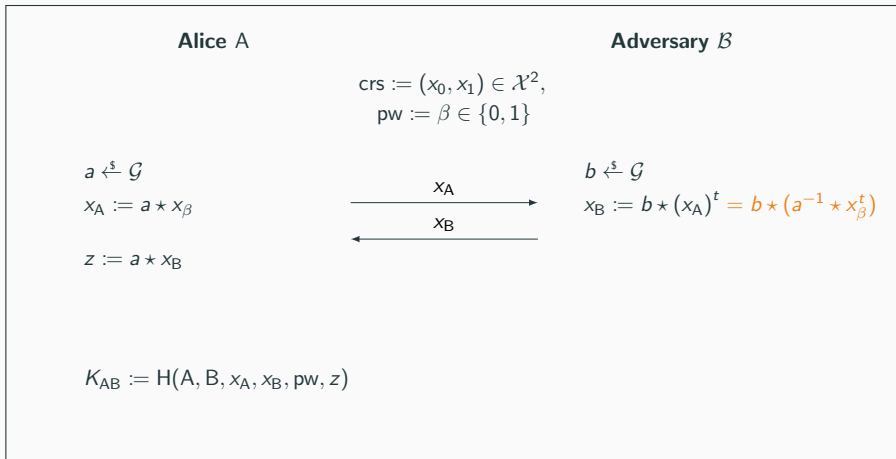
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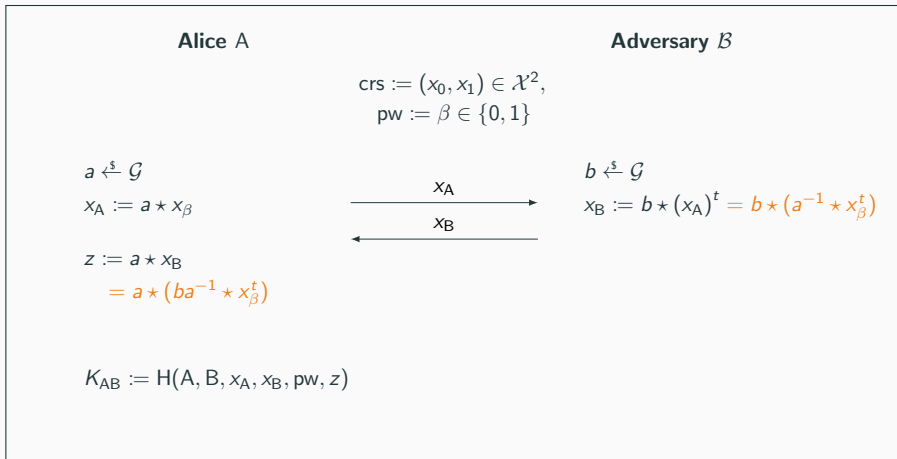
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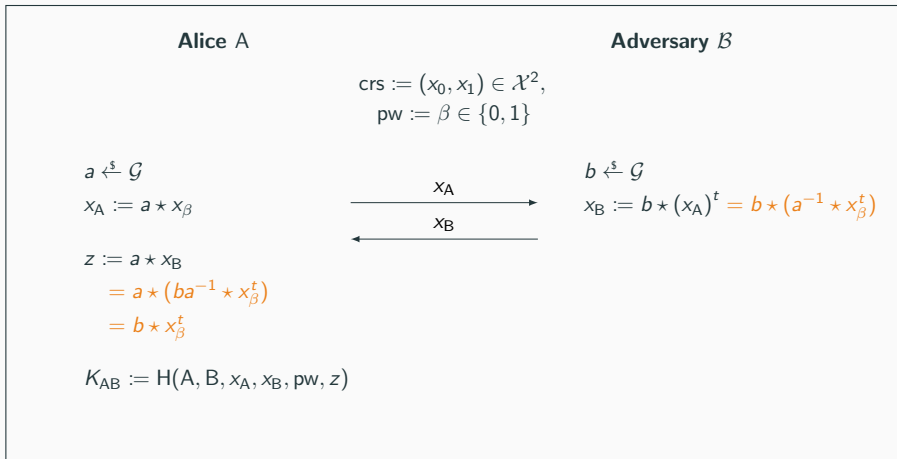
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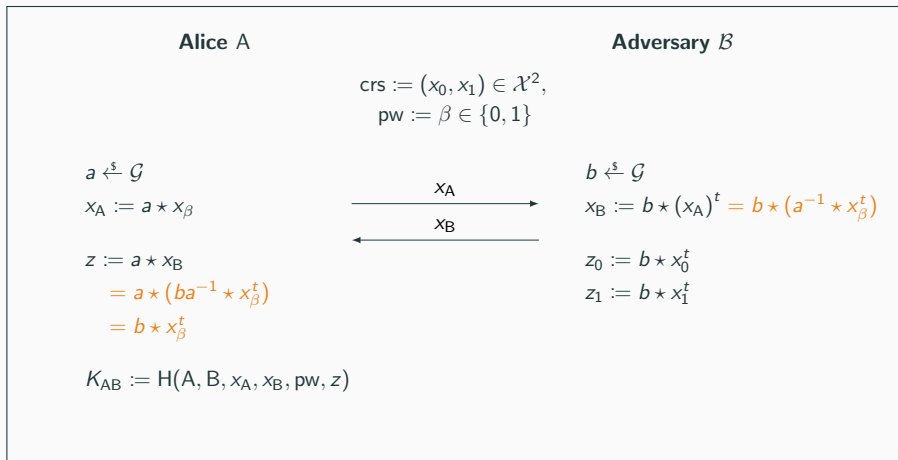
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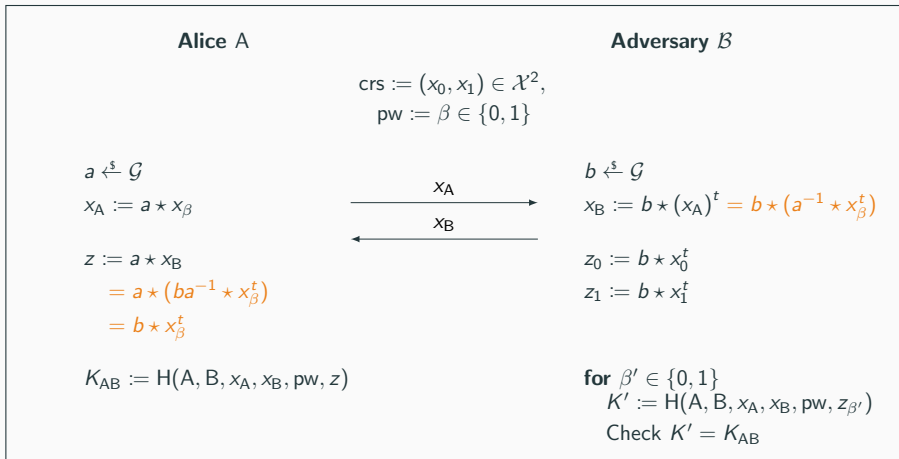
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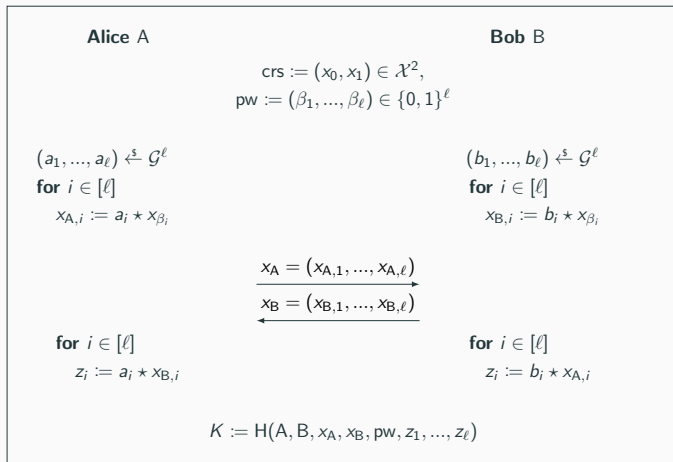
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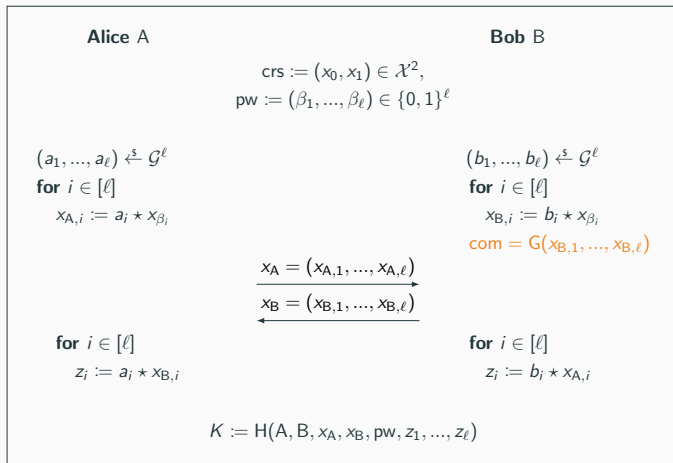
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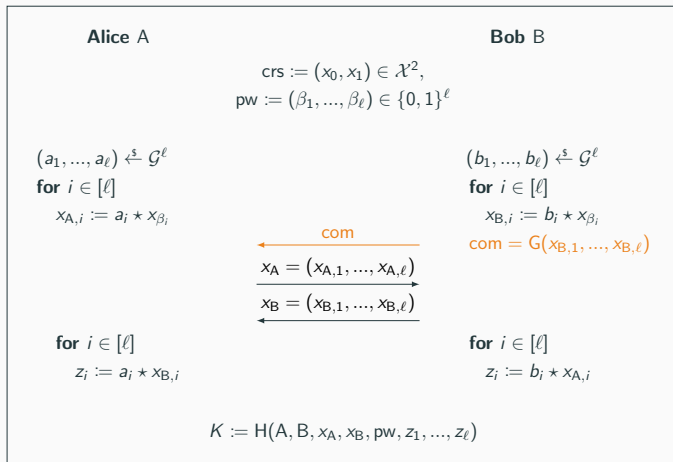
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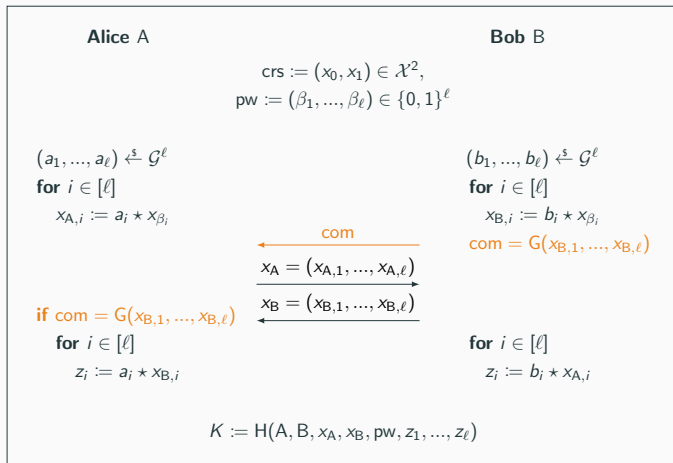
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- Double the communication and combine elements in three ways.
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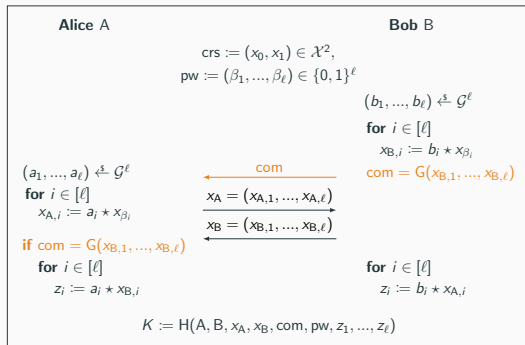




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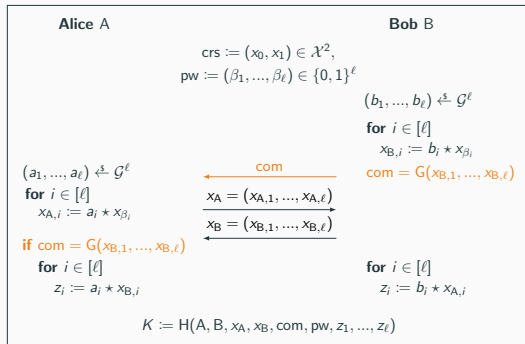
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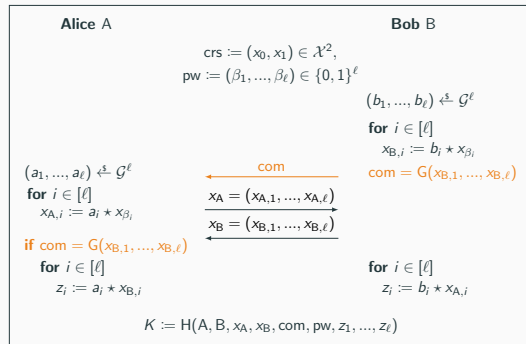
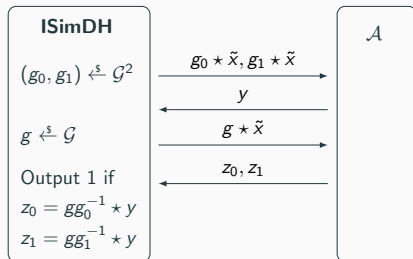
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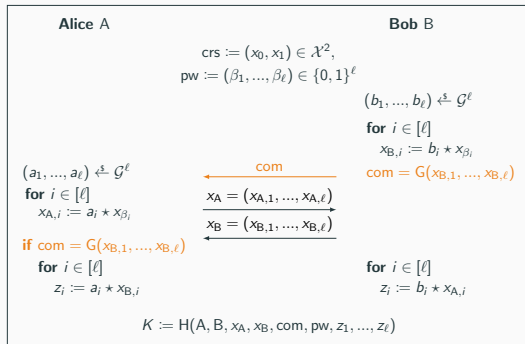
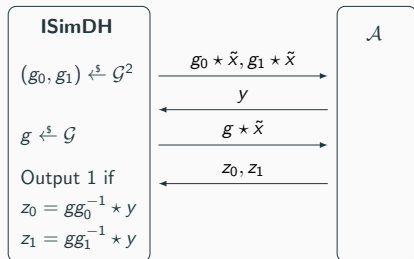
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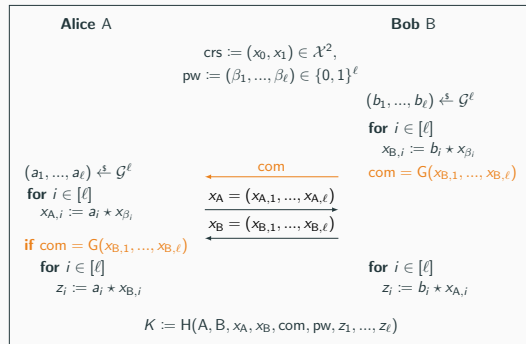
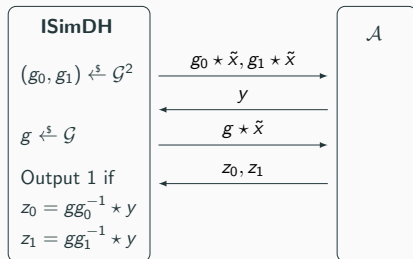


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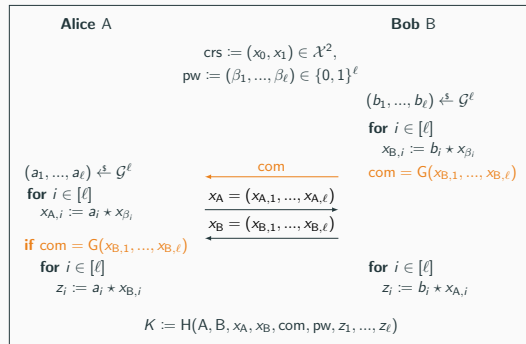
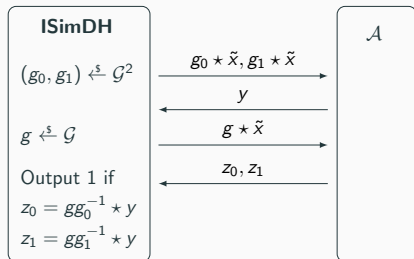
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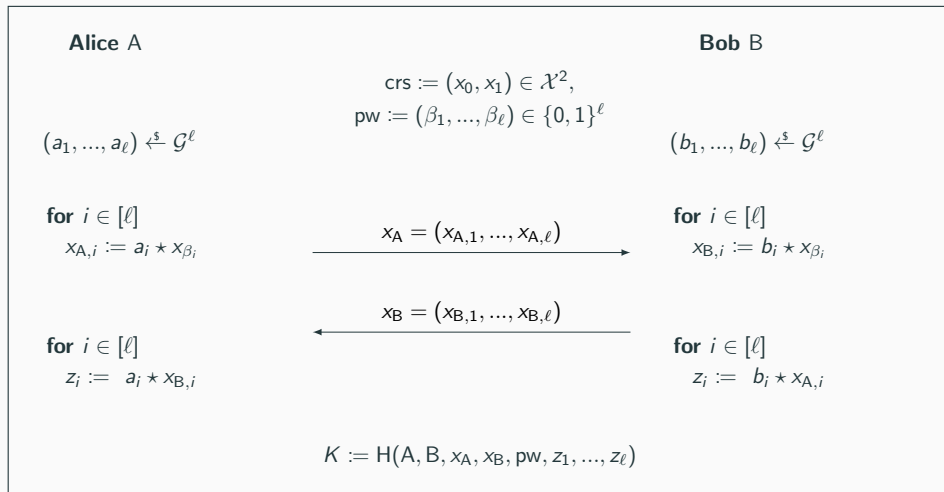
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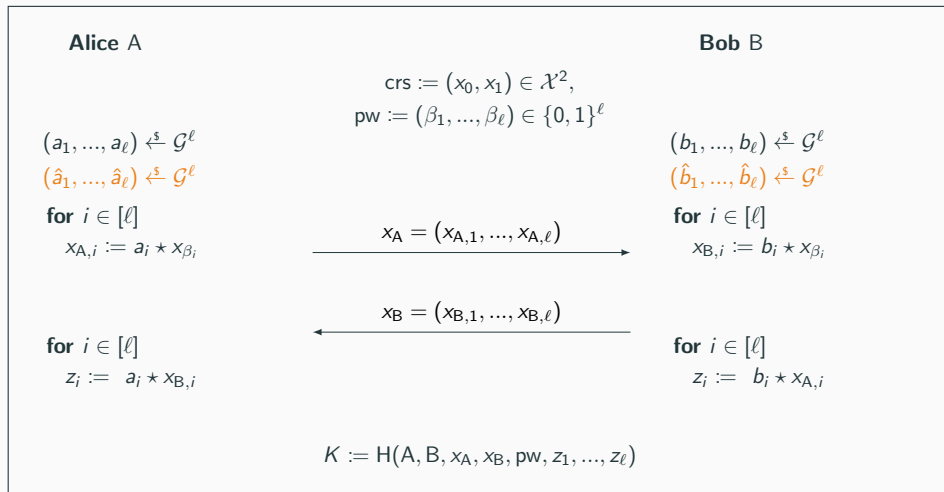
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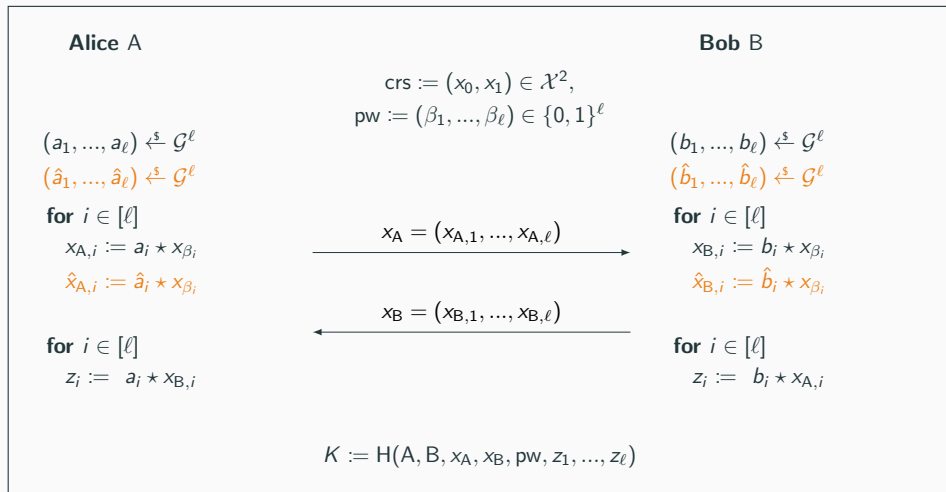


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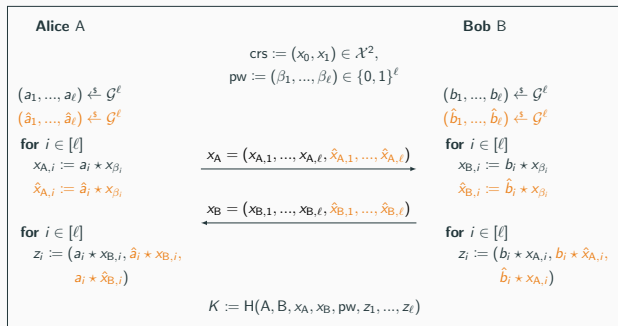
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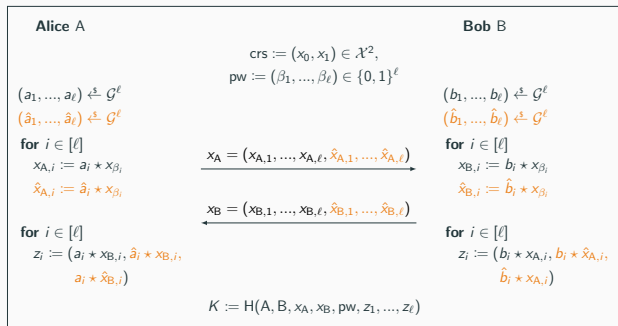
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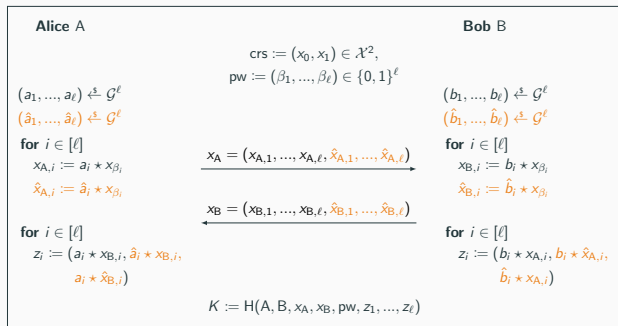
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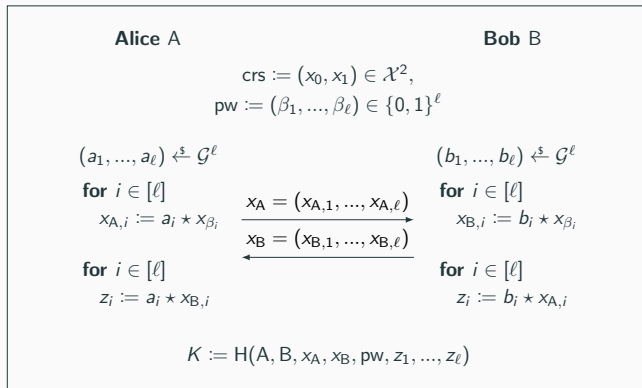
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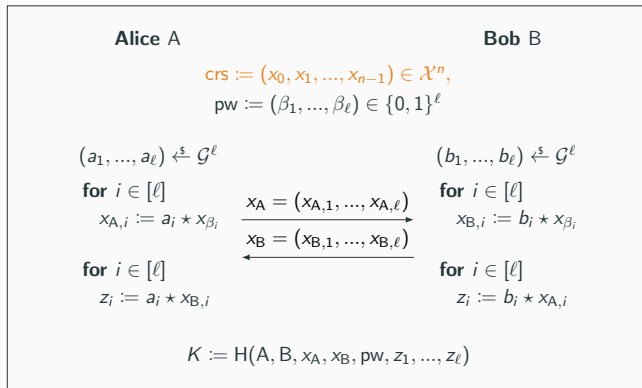


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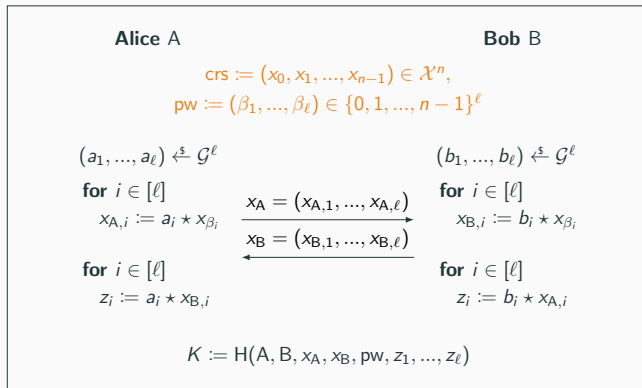
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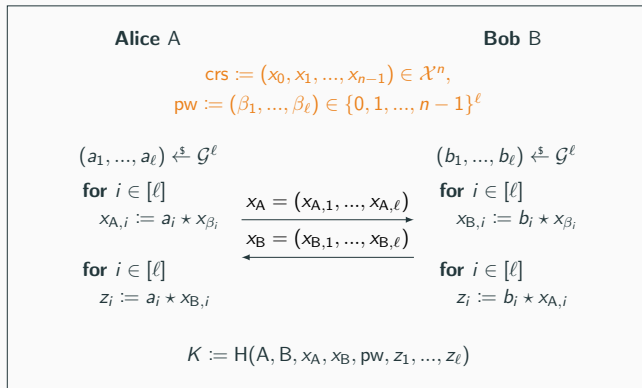
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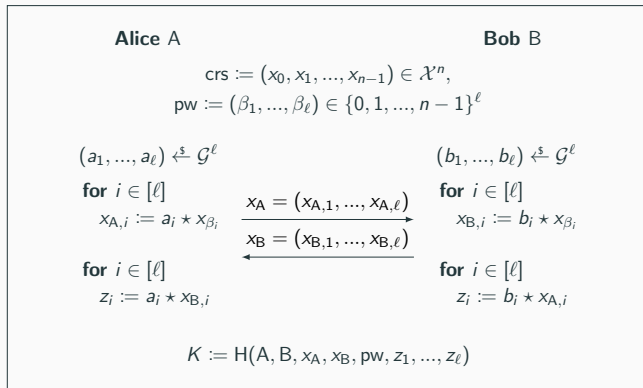


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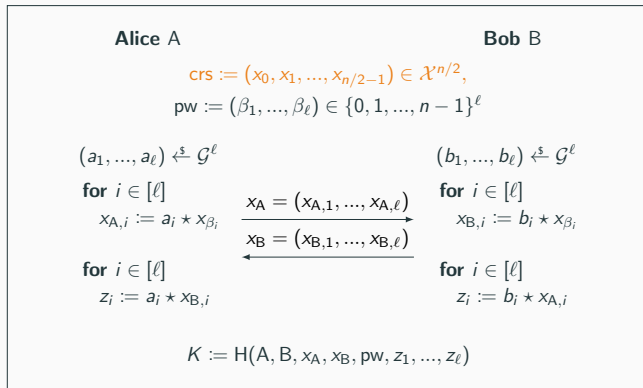


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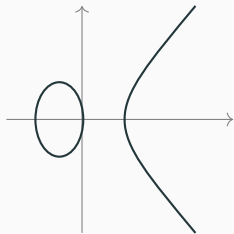
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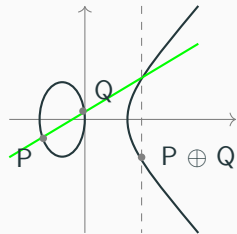
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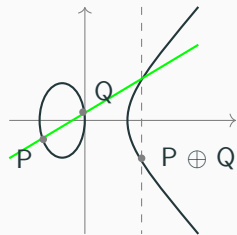


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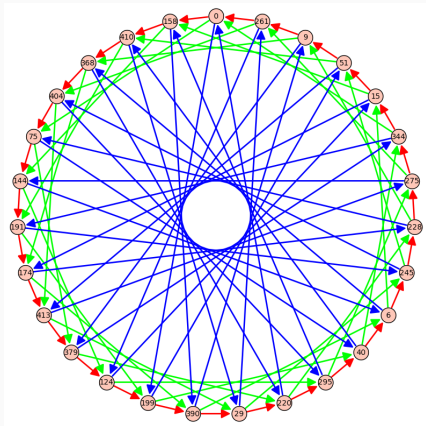
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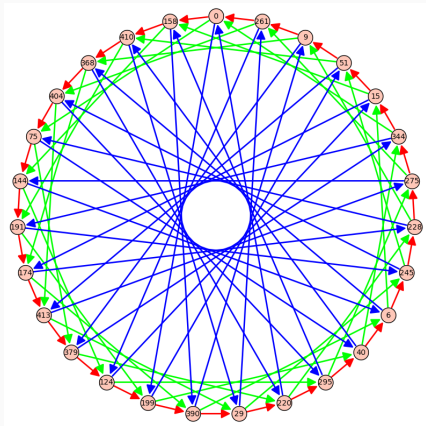


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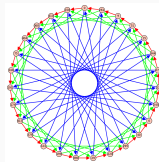
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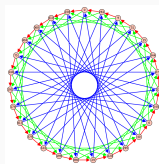
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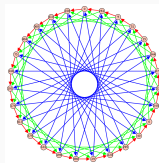
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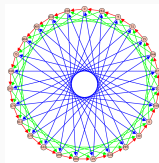
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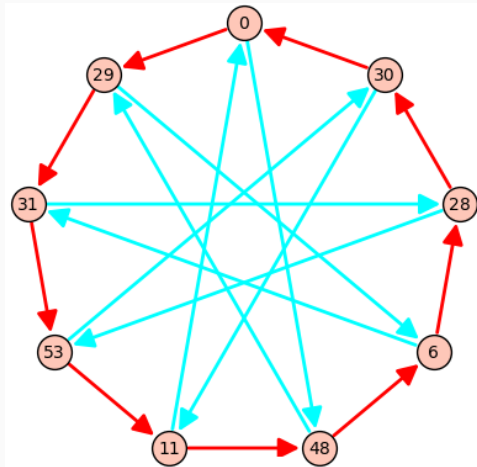
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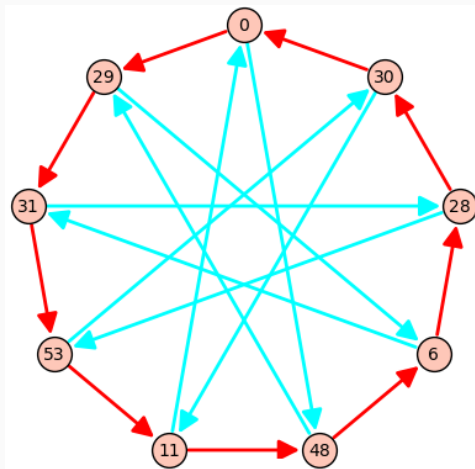
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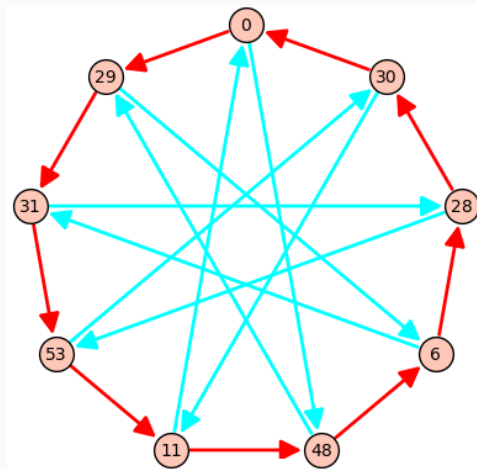
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