

# Designated-Verifier Pseudorandom Generators, and their Applications

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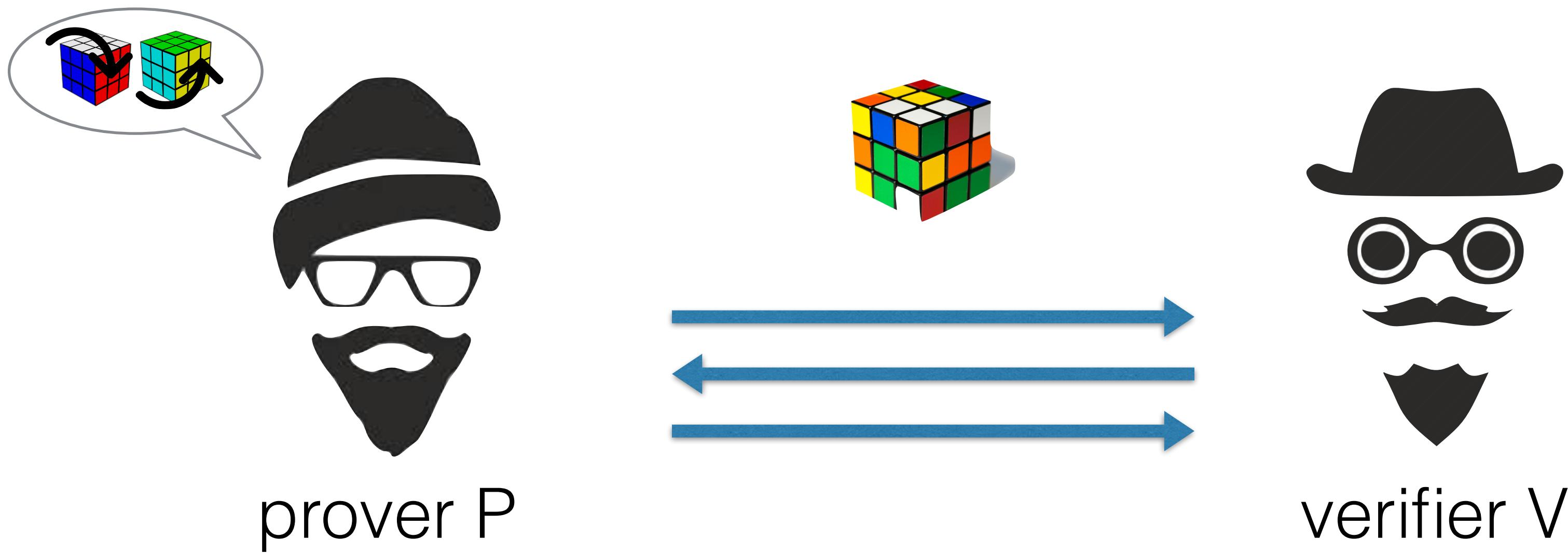
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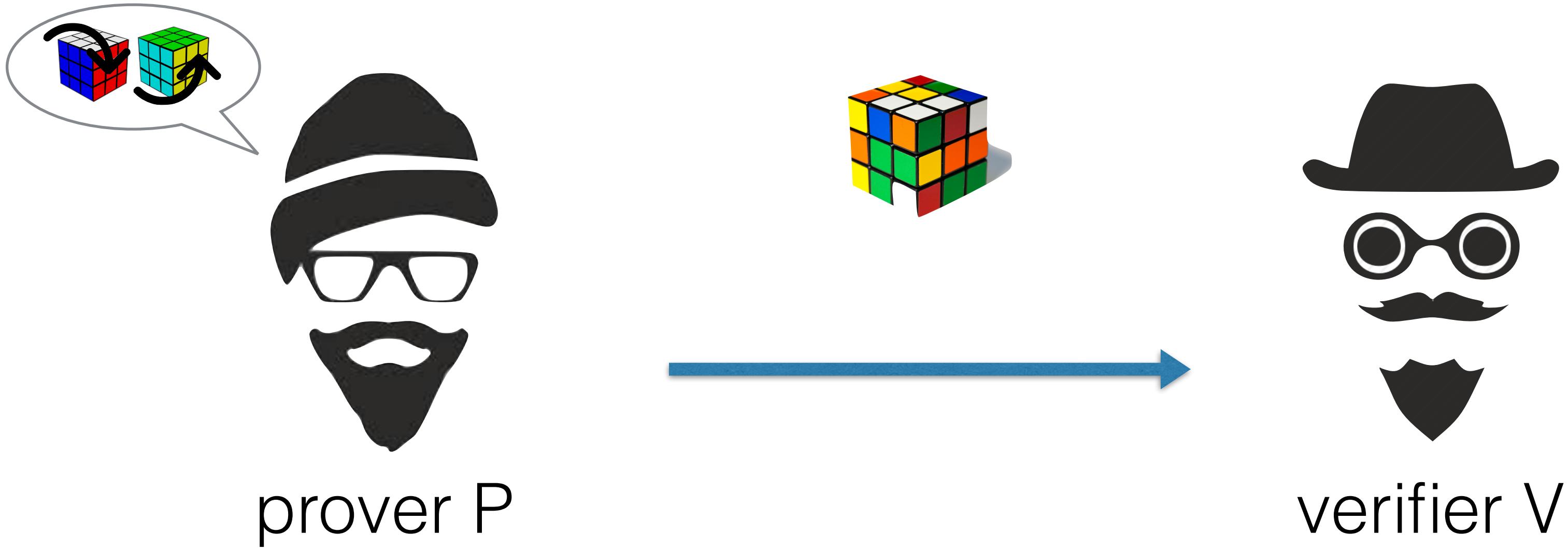
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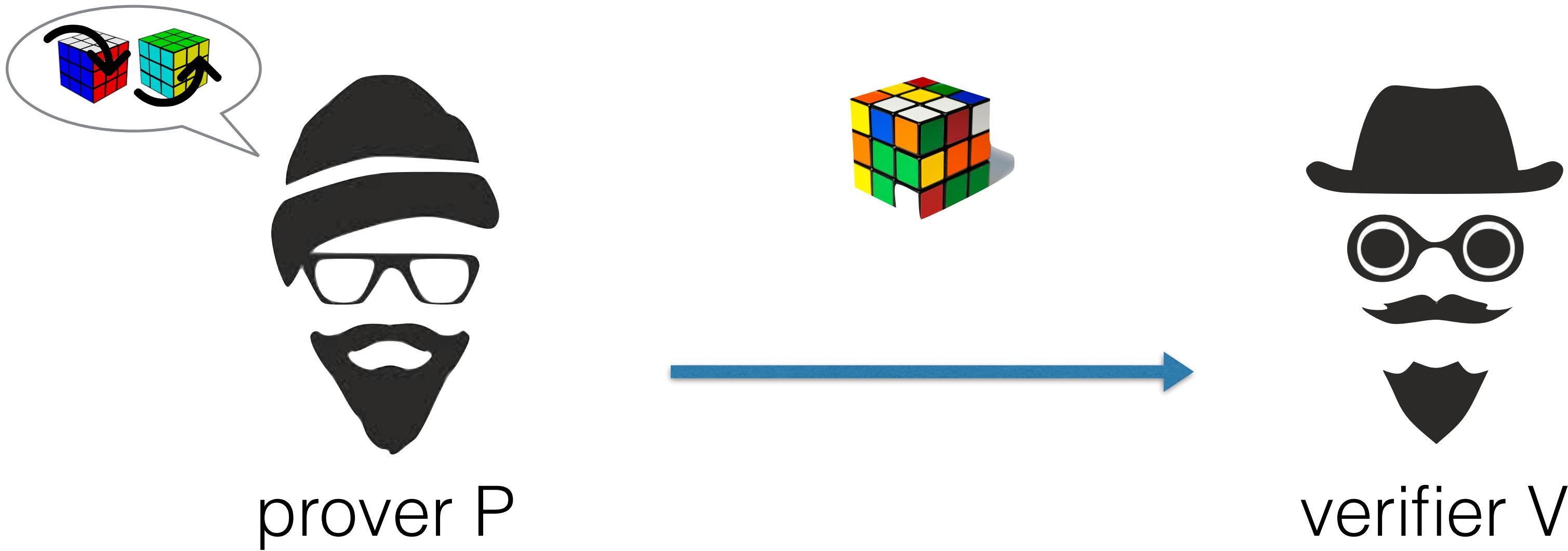
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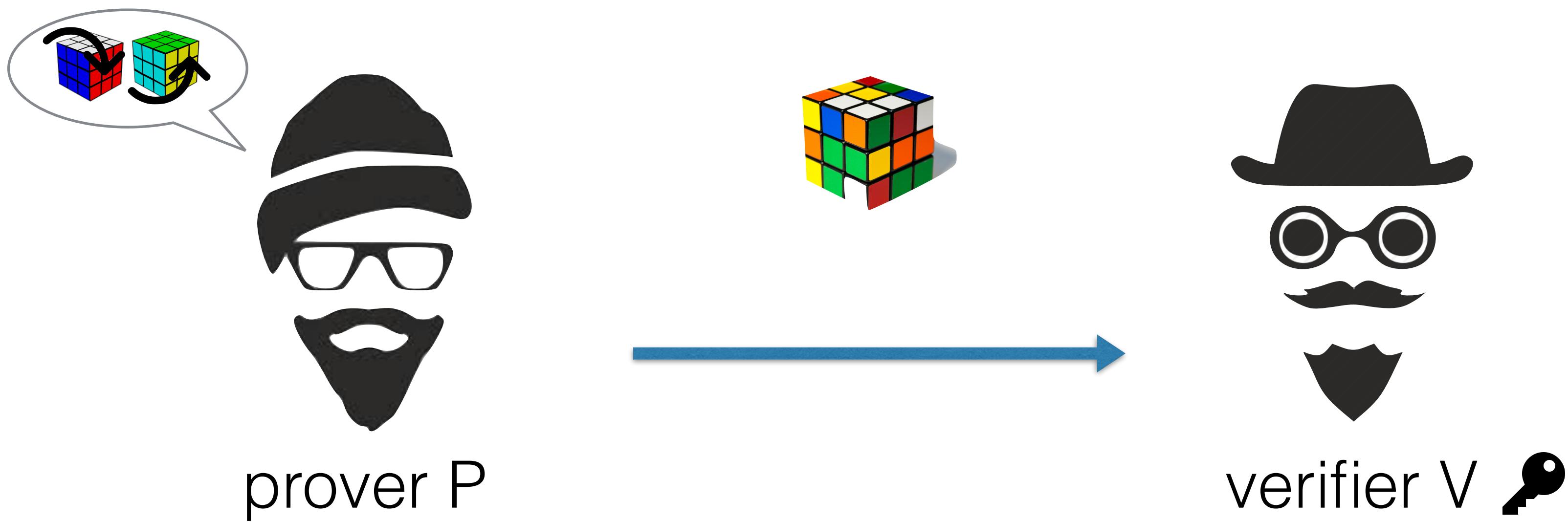
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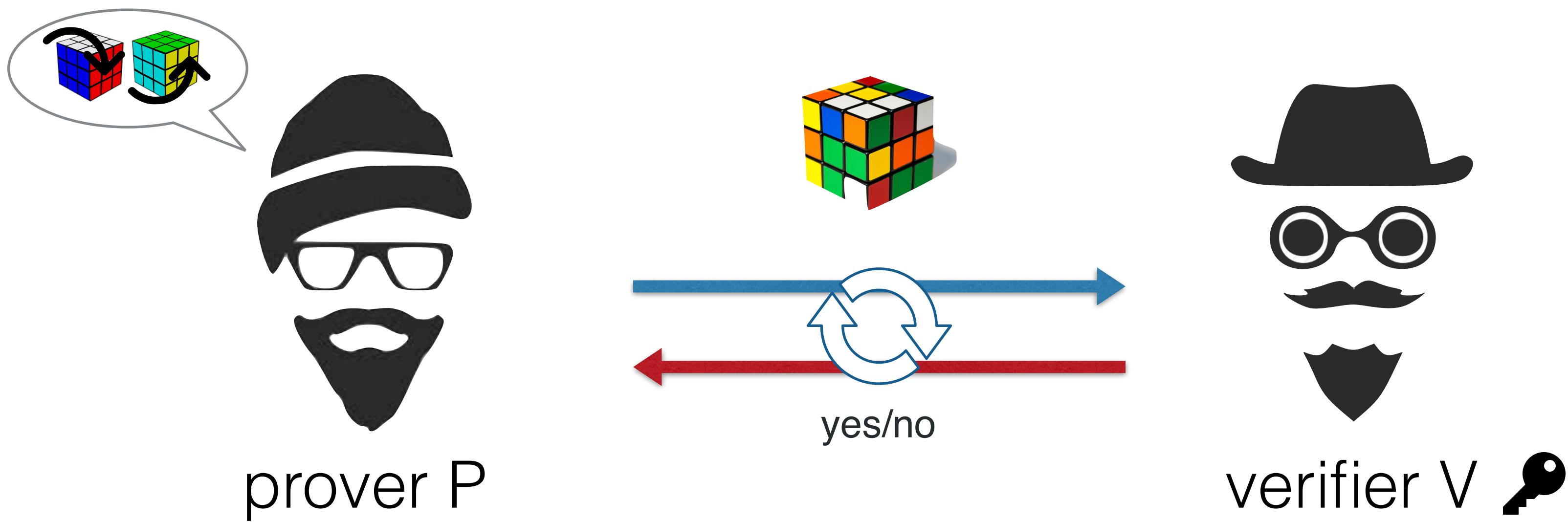
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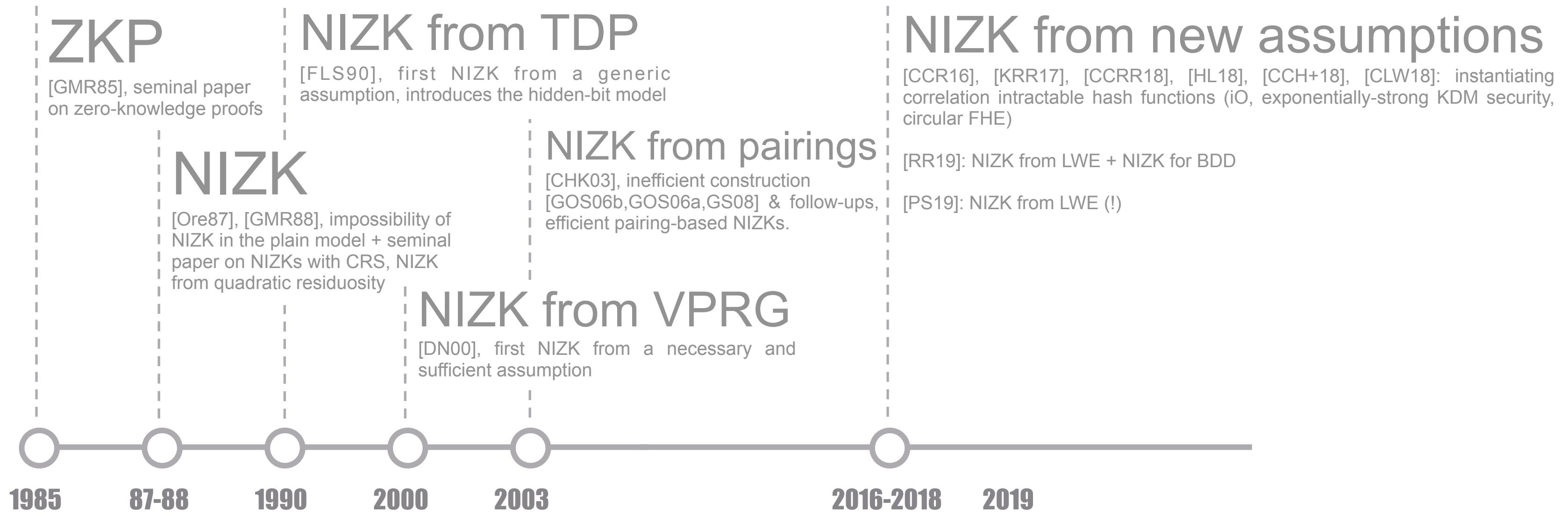
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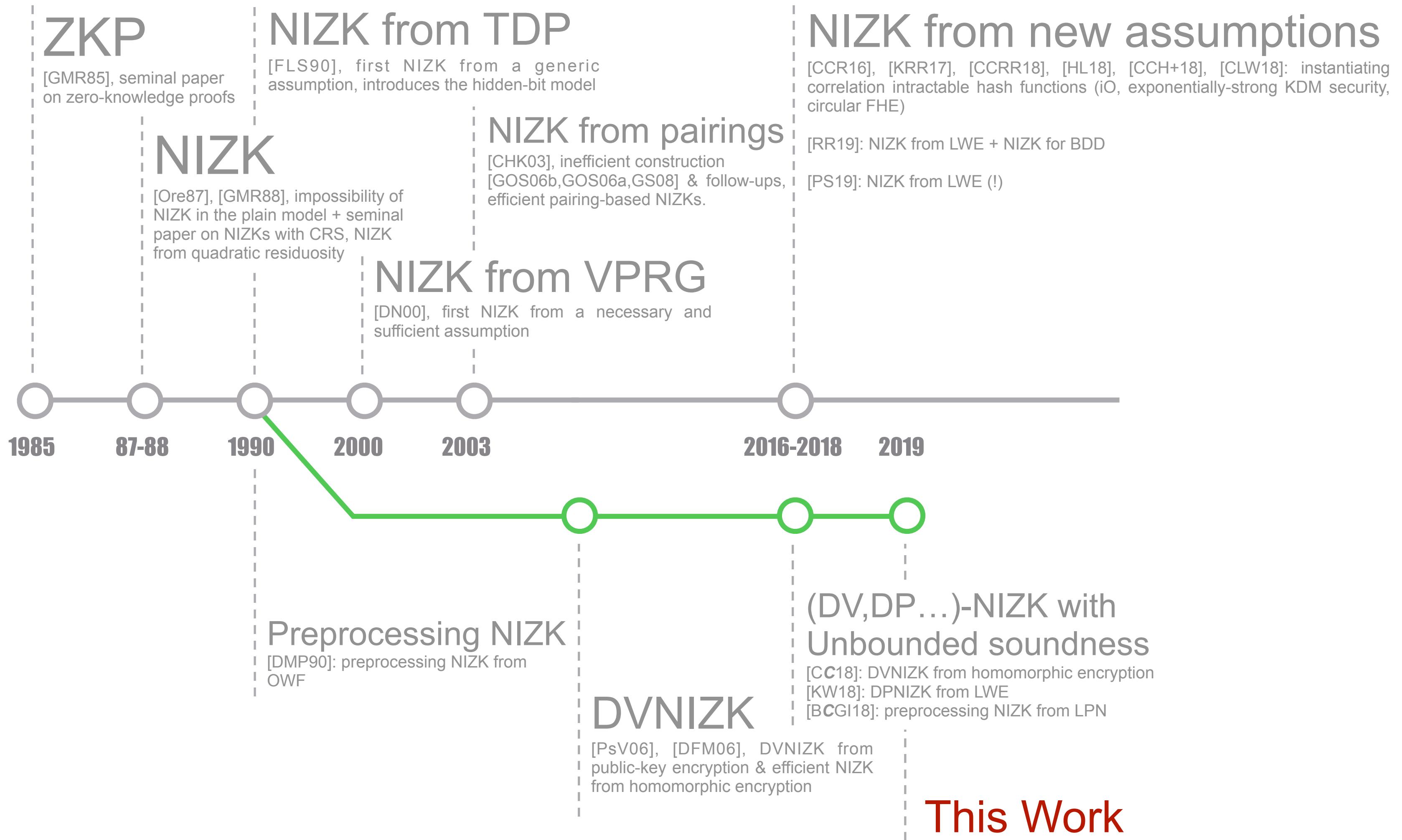


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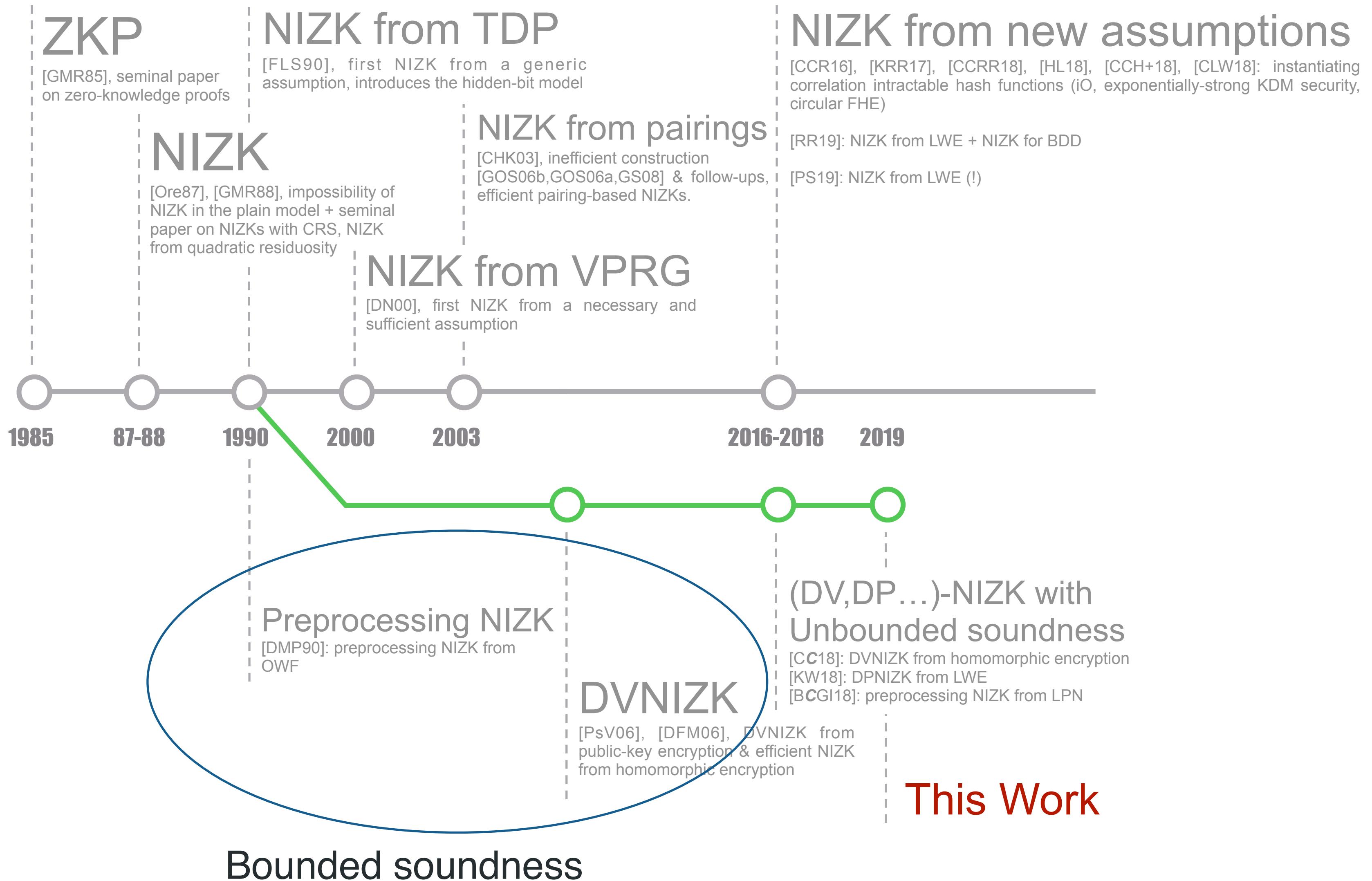
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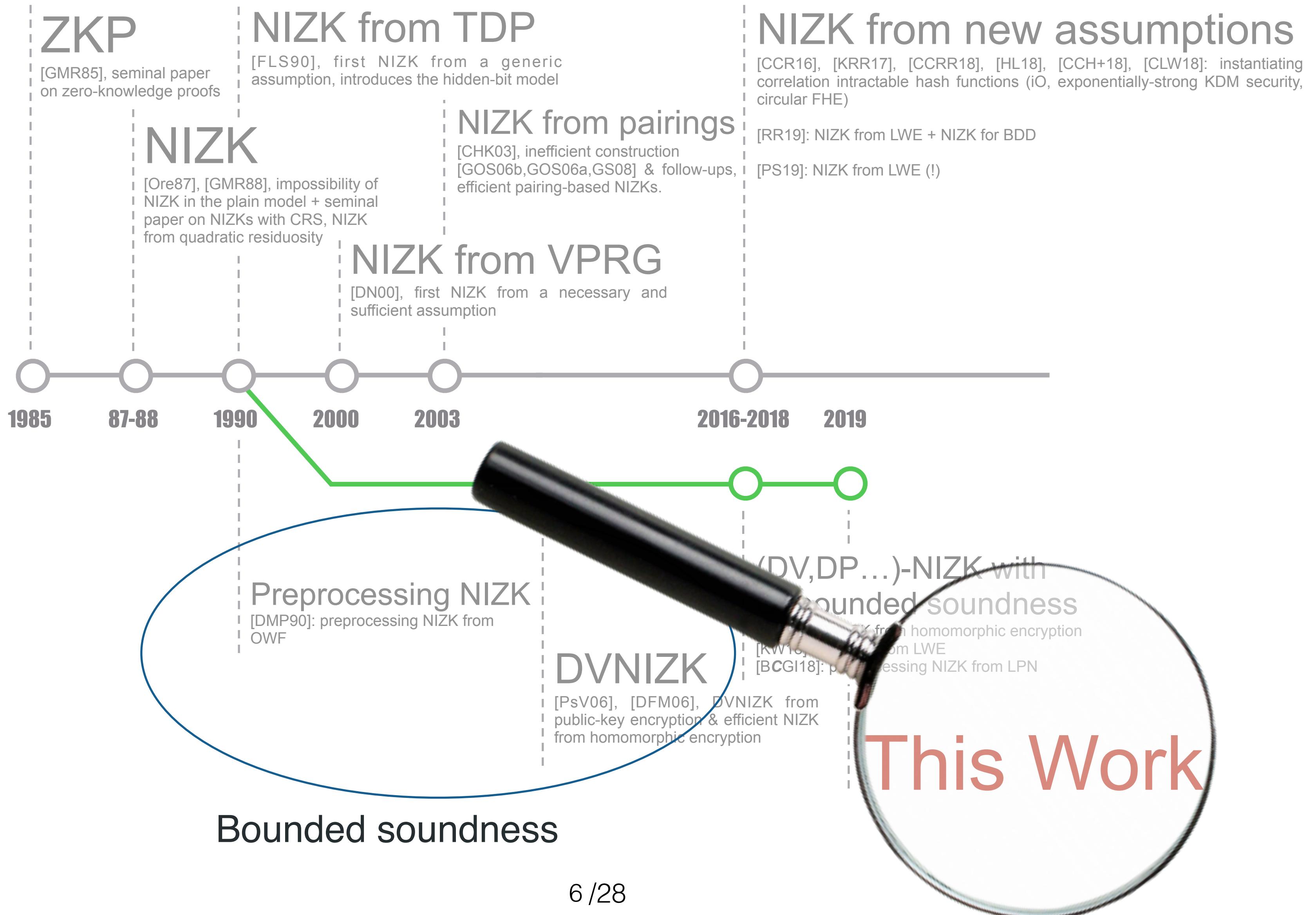
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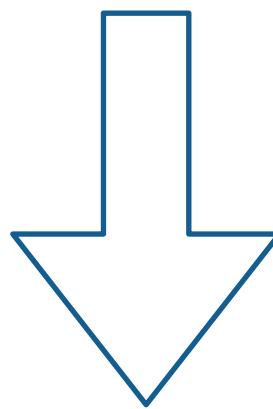
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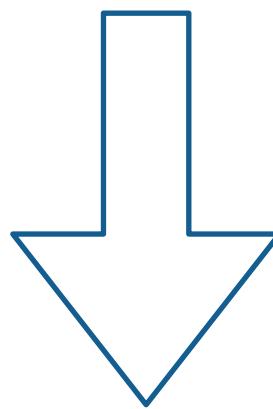


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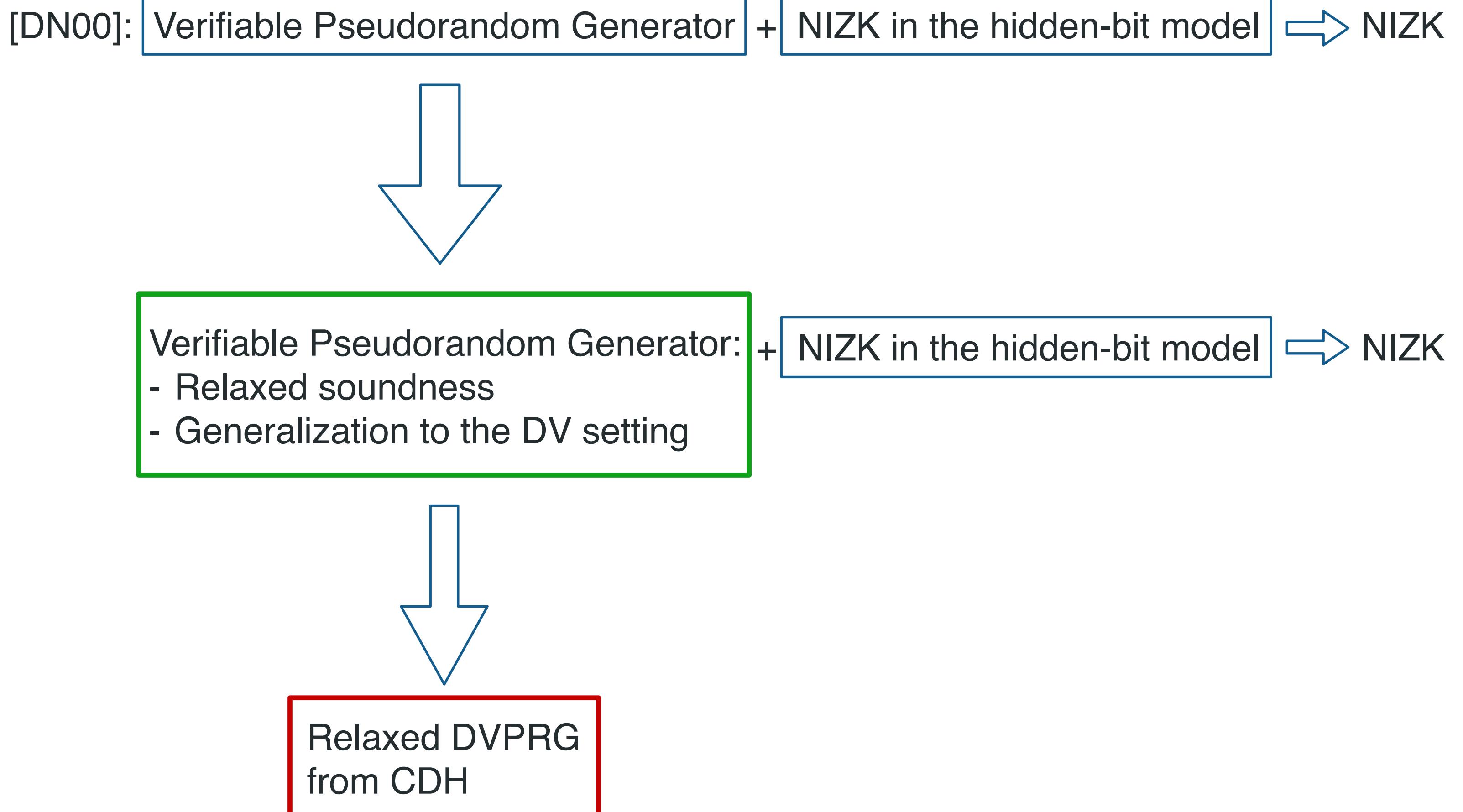
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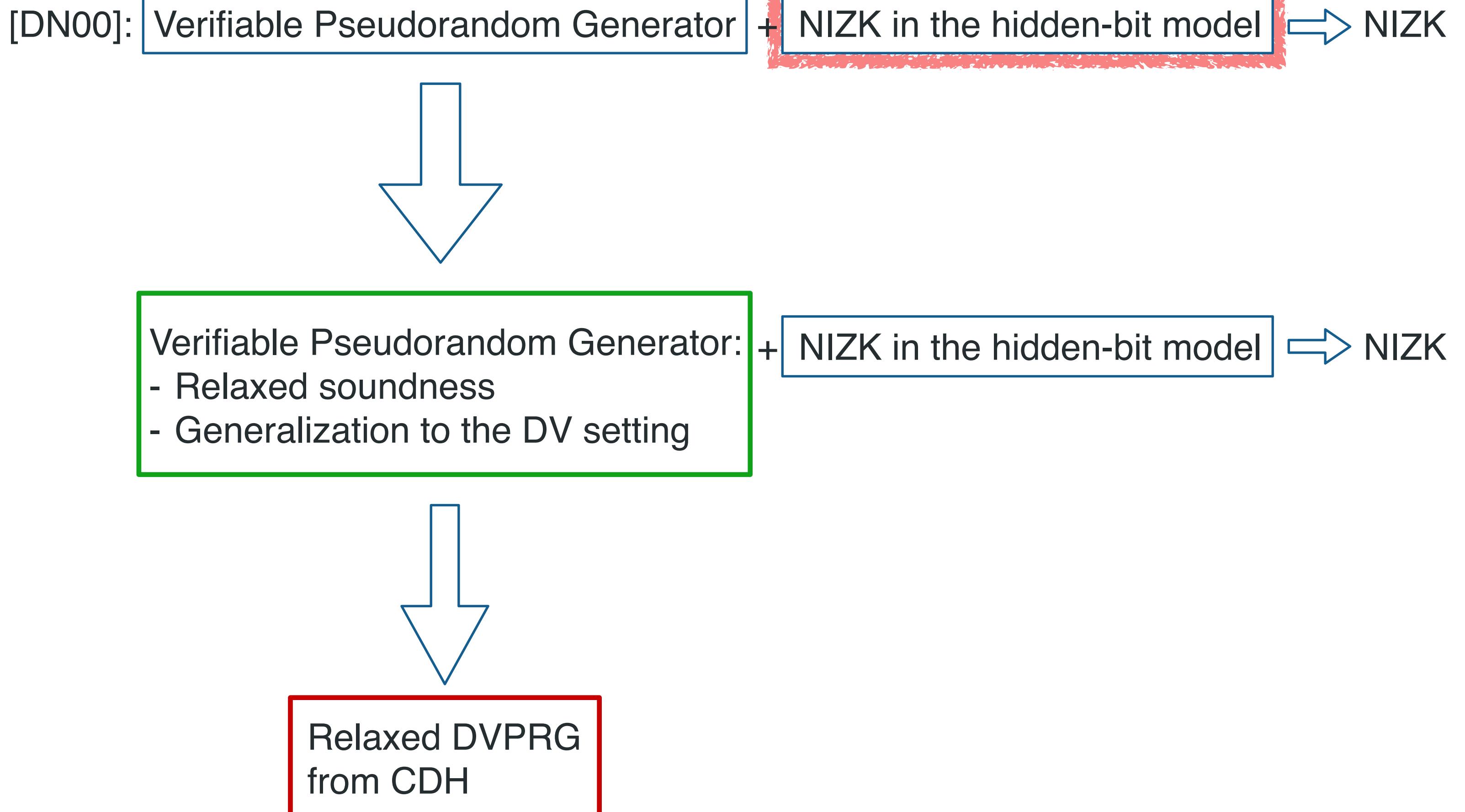
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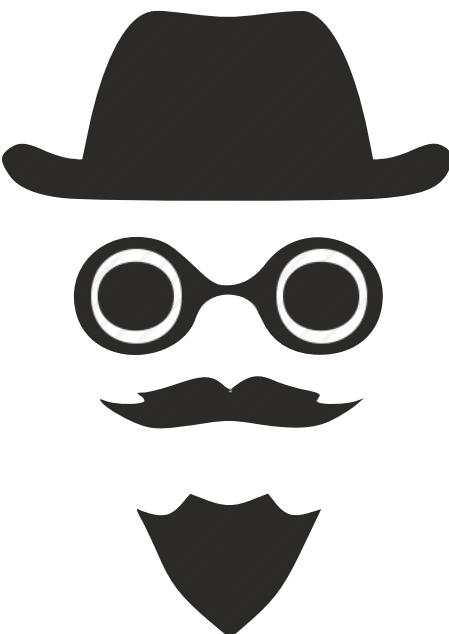
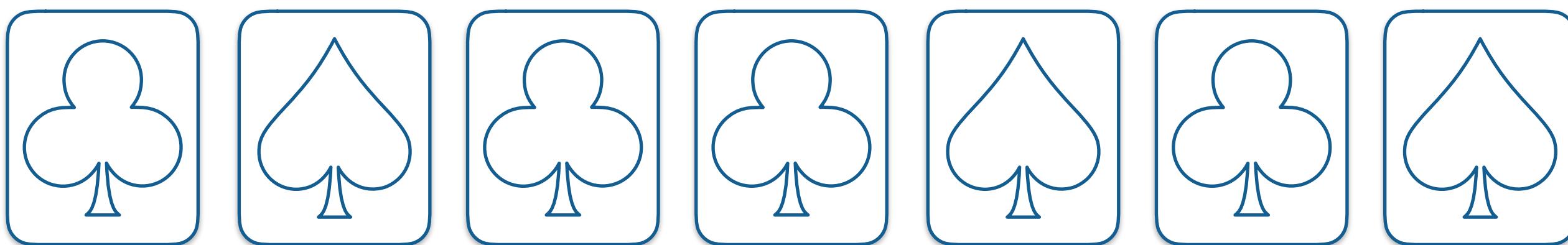
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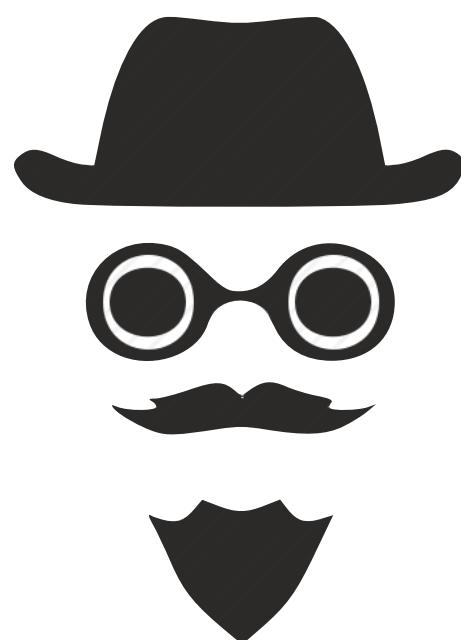
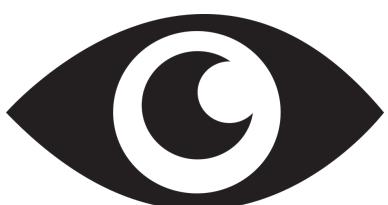
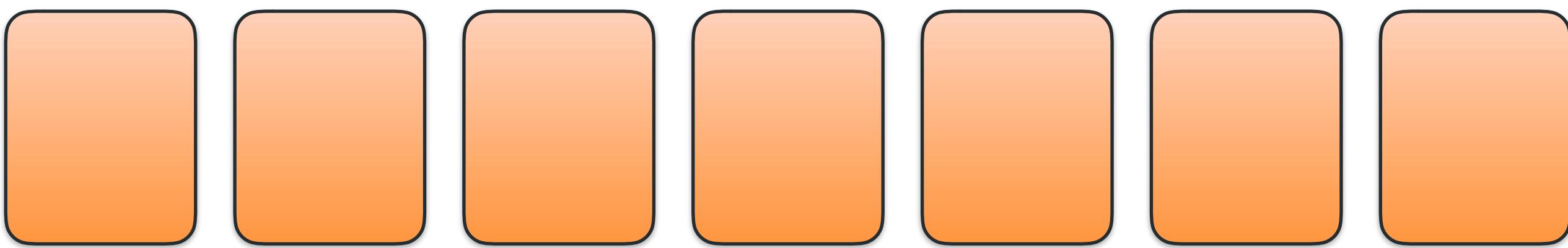
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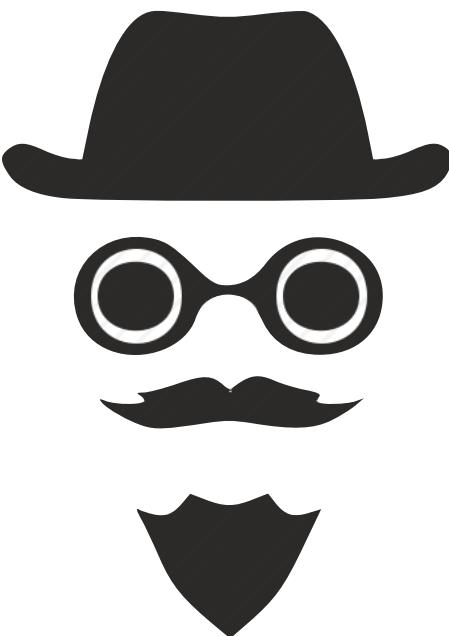
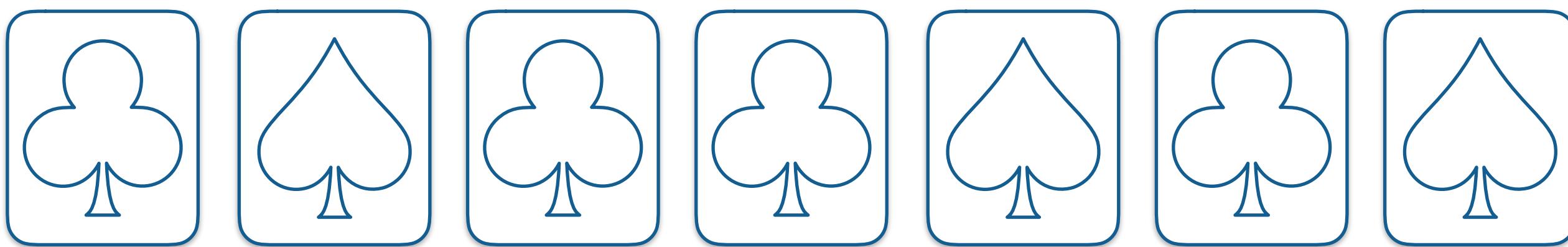
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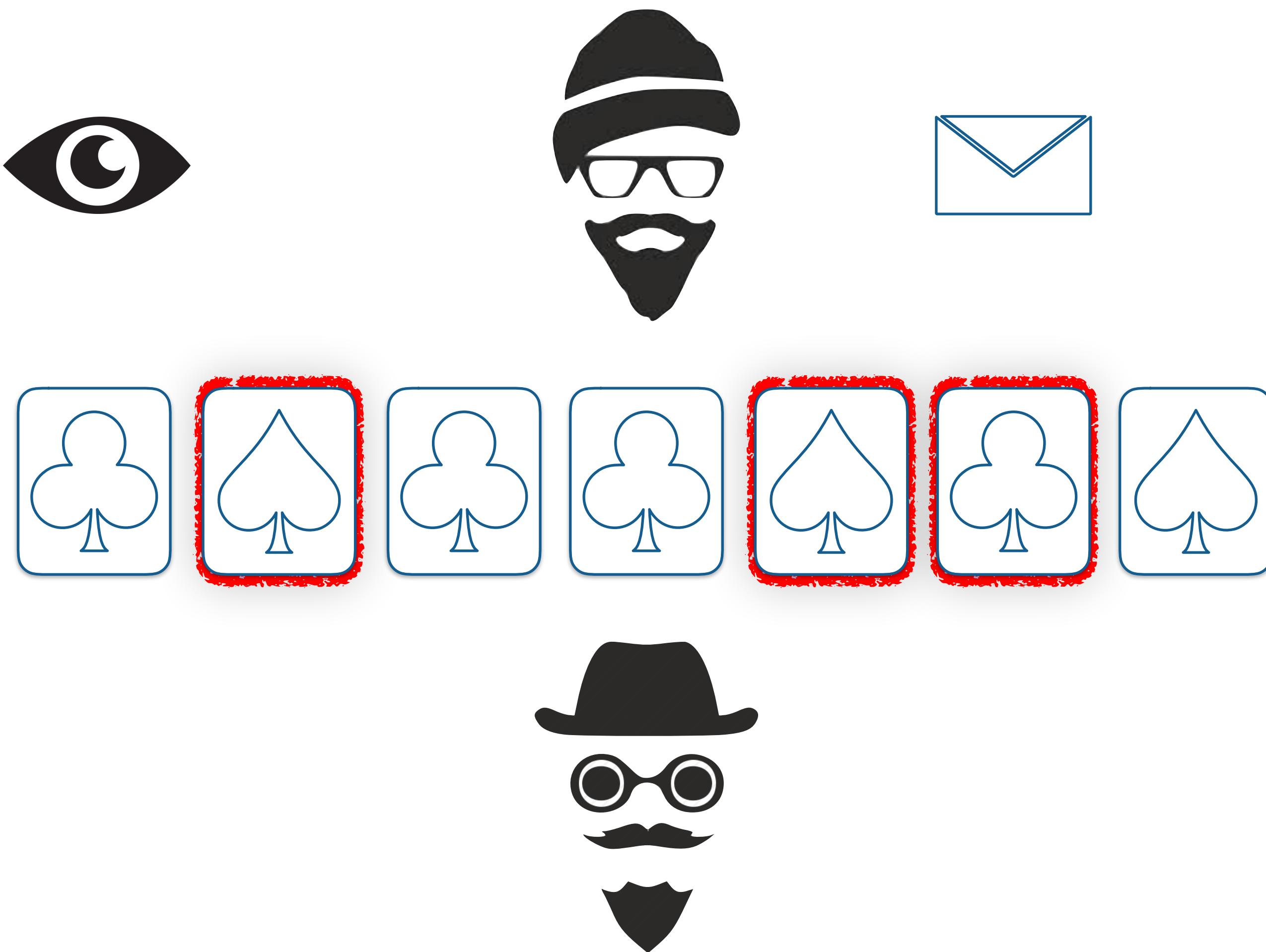
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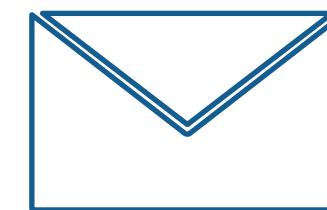
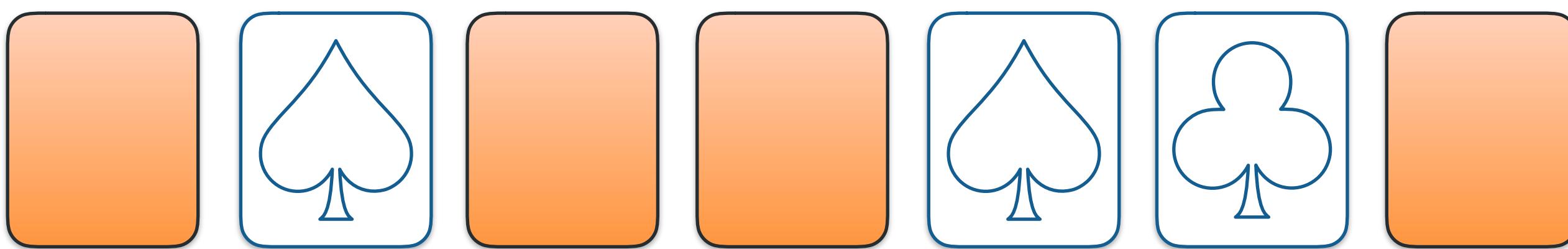
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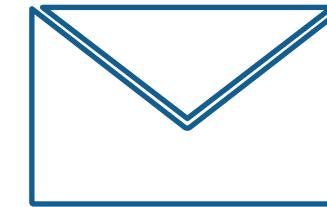
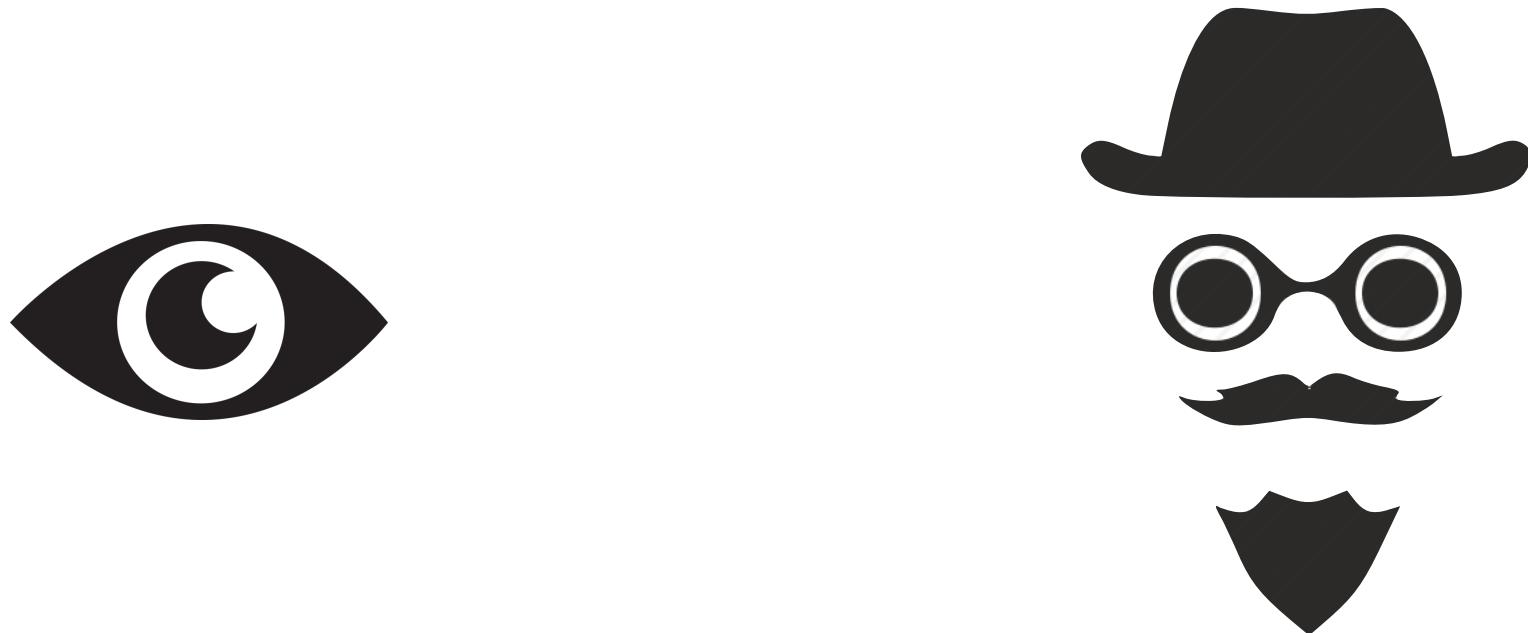
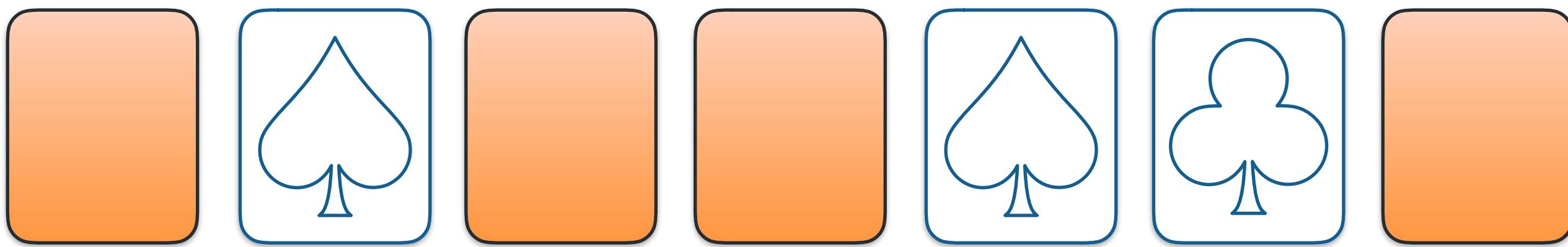
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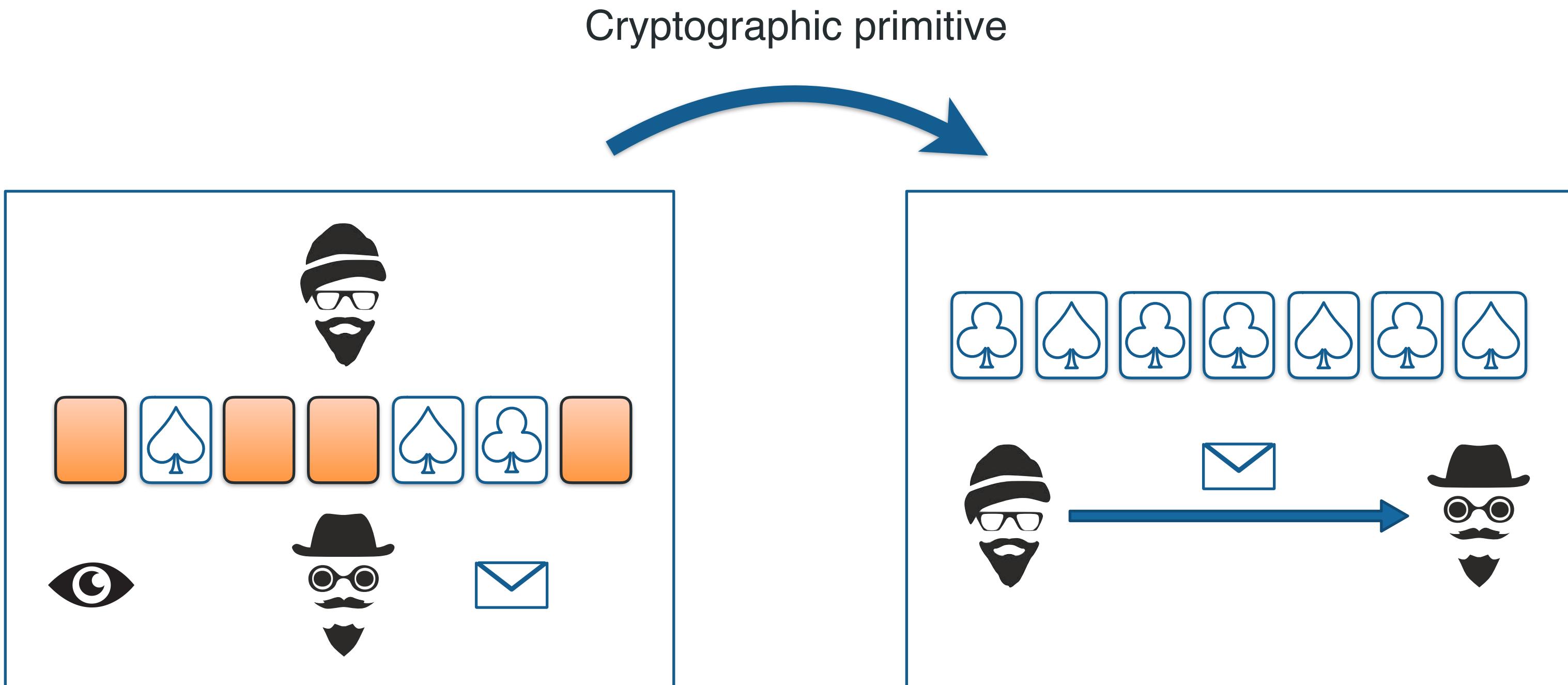


# The Hidden-Bit Model



[FLS90]: NIZKs for NP exist unconditionally in the HBM

# Instantiating The Hidden-Bit Model



Prover's task, given the CRS:

1. Produce a string which is indistinguishable from random
2. Be able to provably 'open' positions of this pseudorandom string
3. The openings should not reveal the non-opened positions

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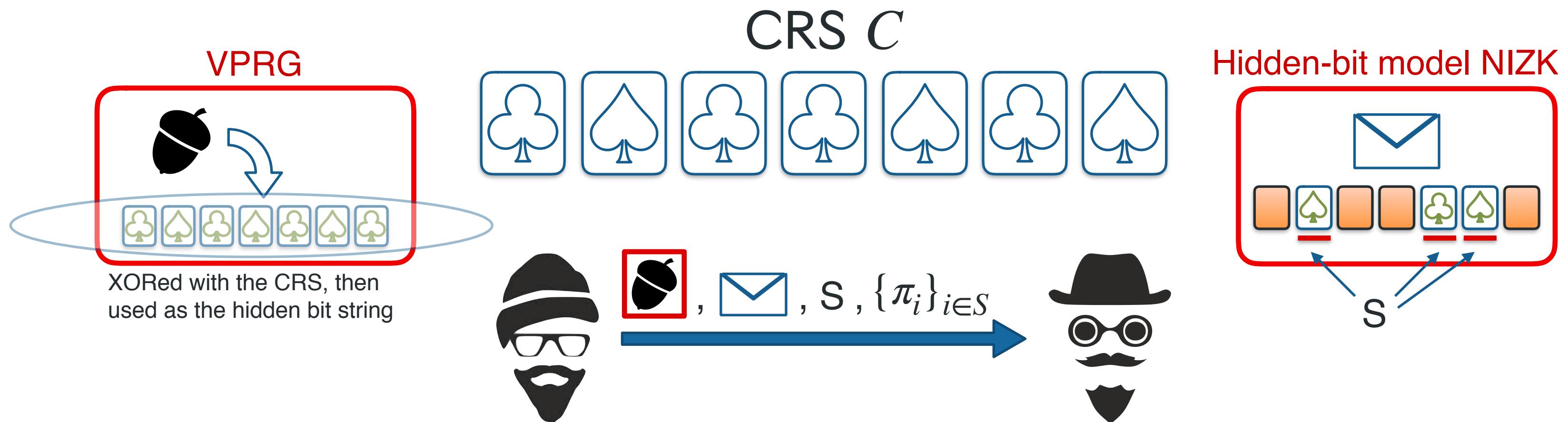
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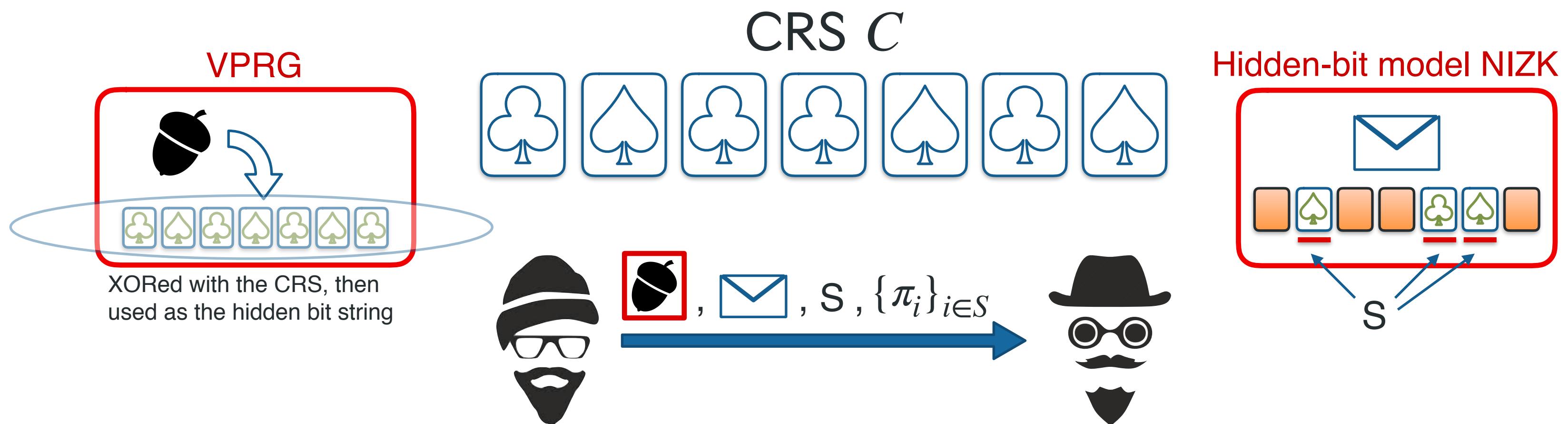
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Proof Idea:

- $C$  is ‘close to a bad string’ if  $\exists \text{acorn}, \text{Ext}(\text{acorn}) \oplus C$  is bad
- Proof accepted iff inconsistent opening OR the CRS is « close to a bad string » (requires (2))
- Inconsistent opening  $\rightarrow$  contradiction to VPRG (3')
- Since ~~acorn~~ is short, few CRS are close to a bad string.

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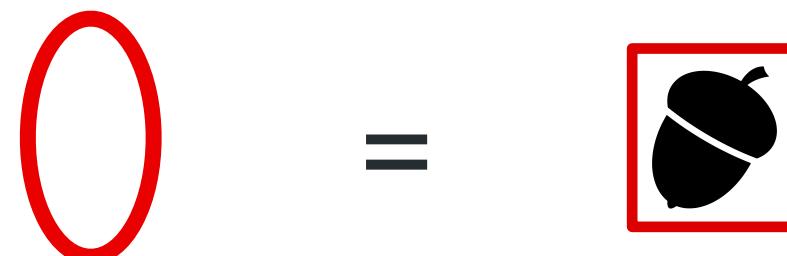
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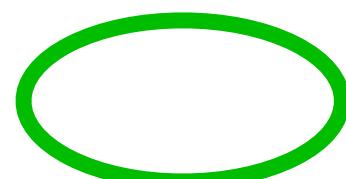
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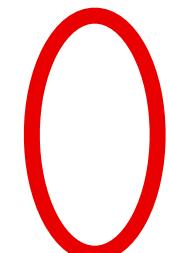
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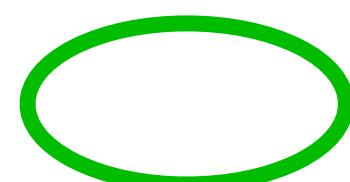
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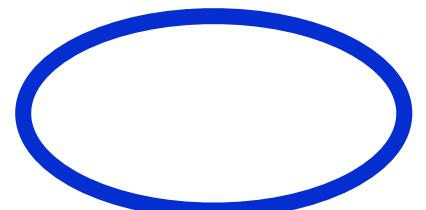
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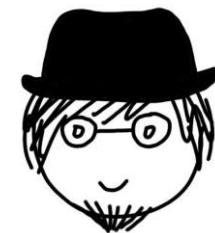
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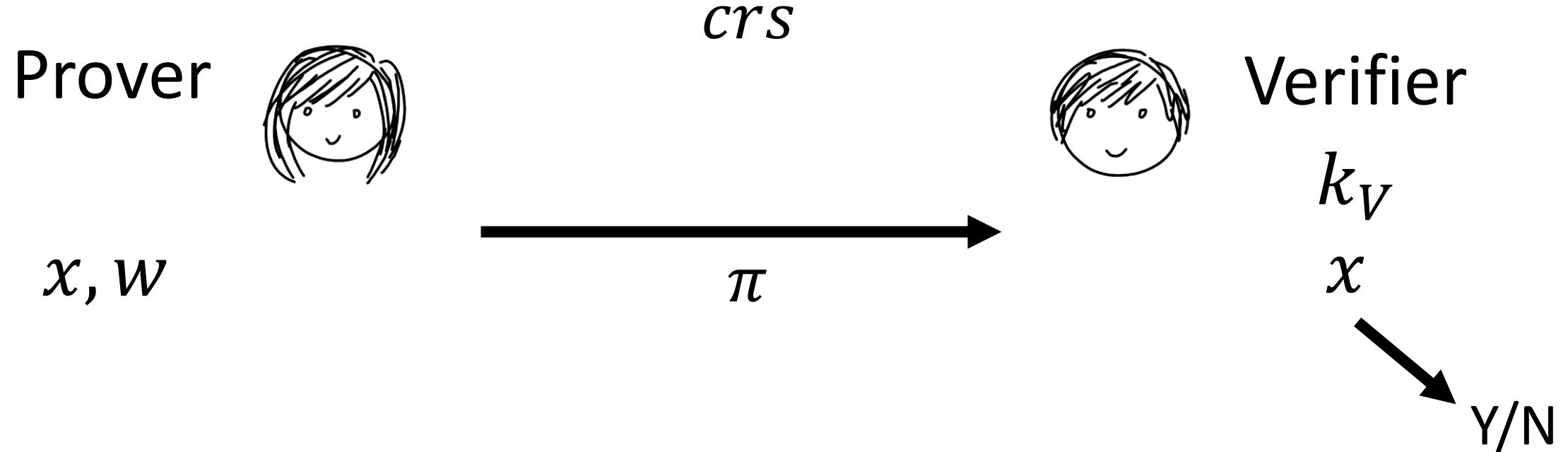
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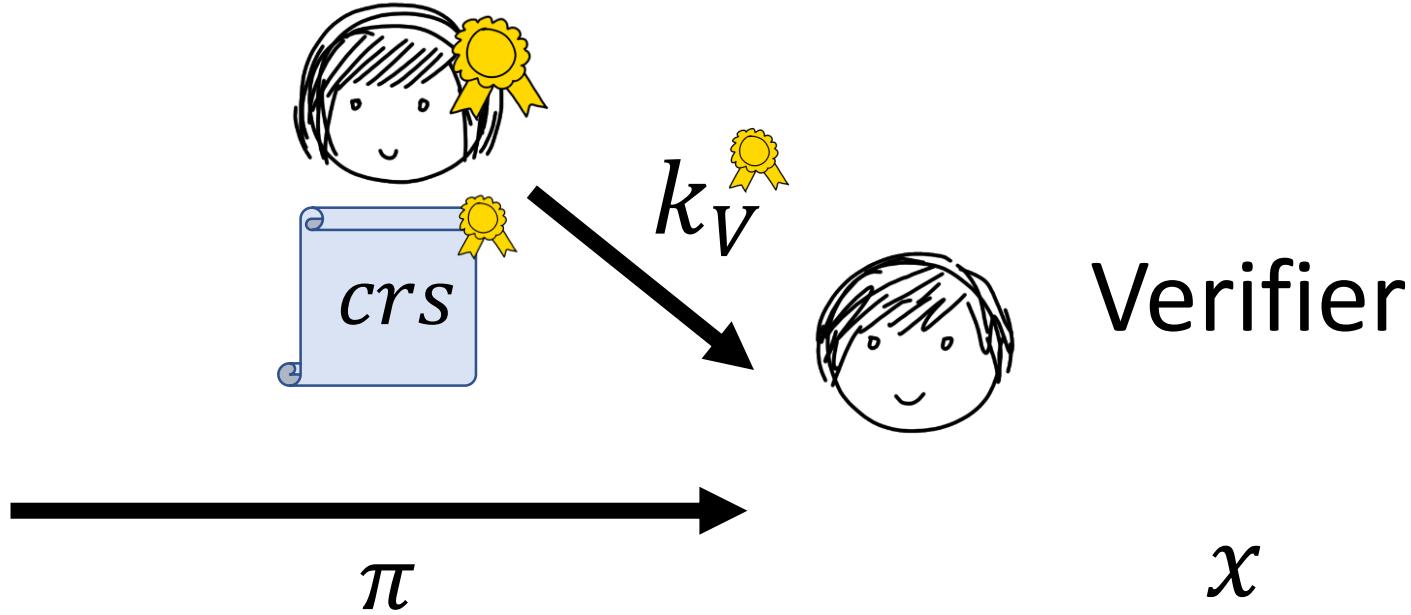


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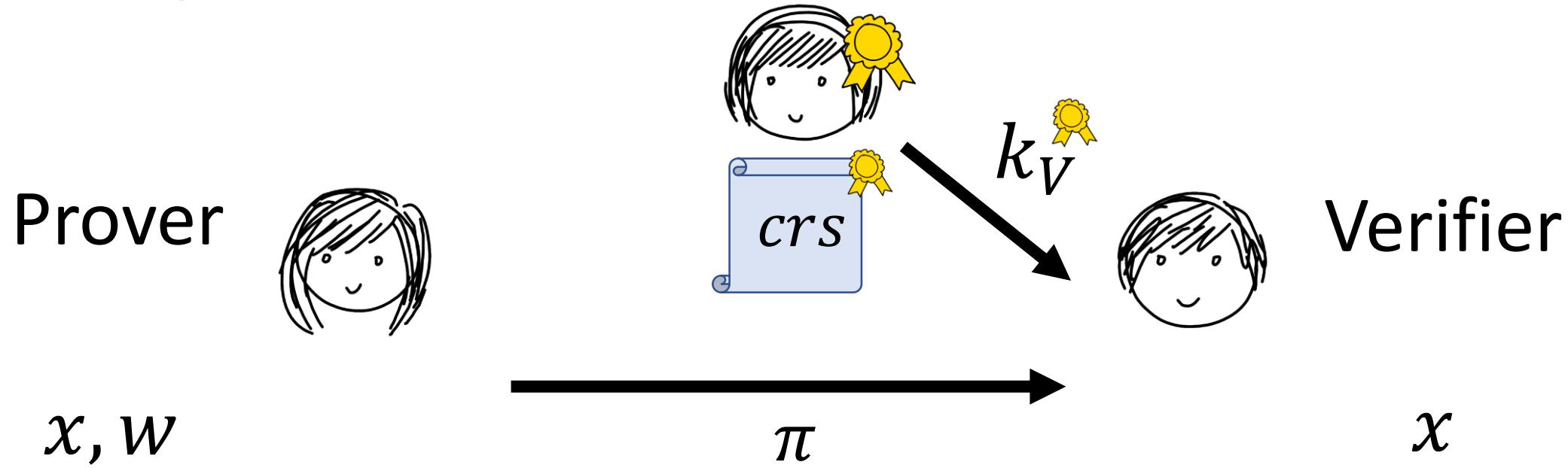
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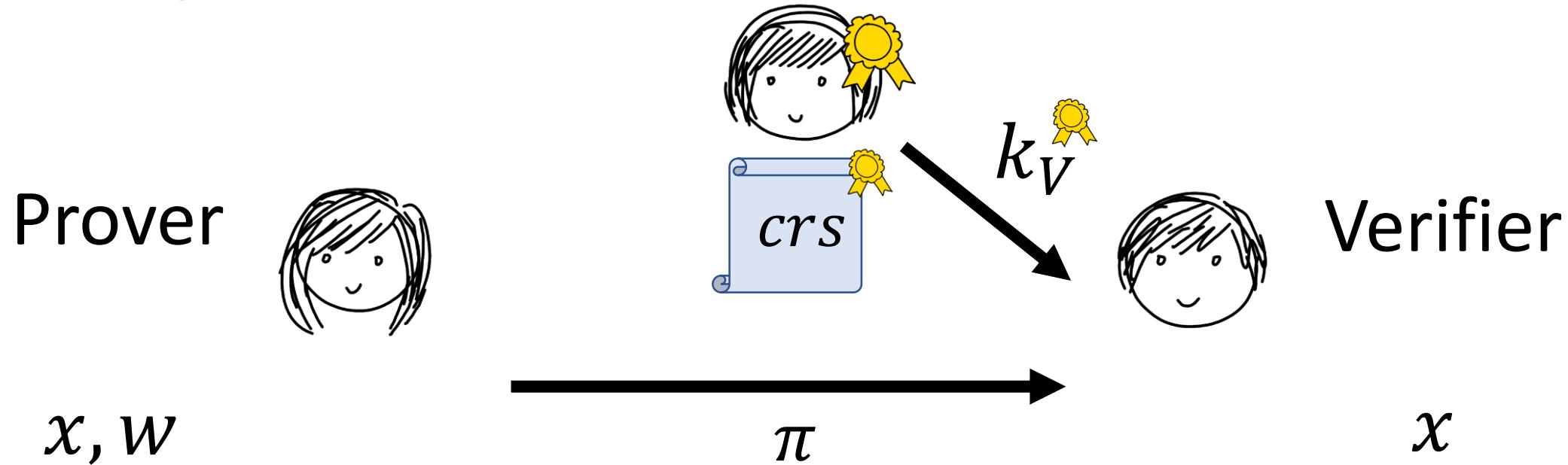
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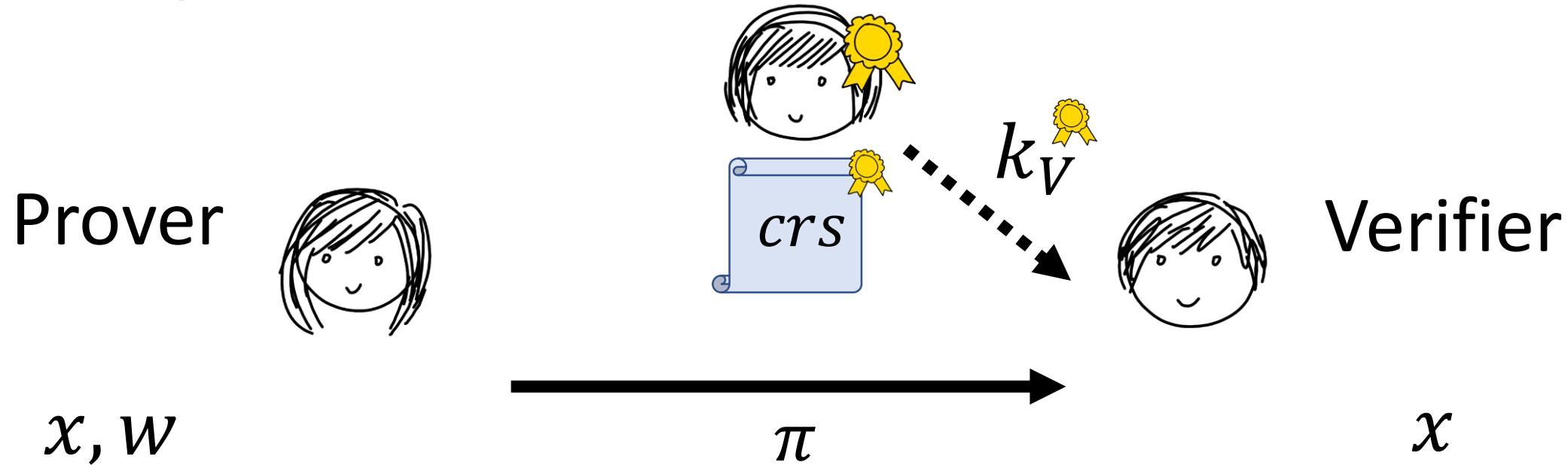
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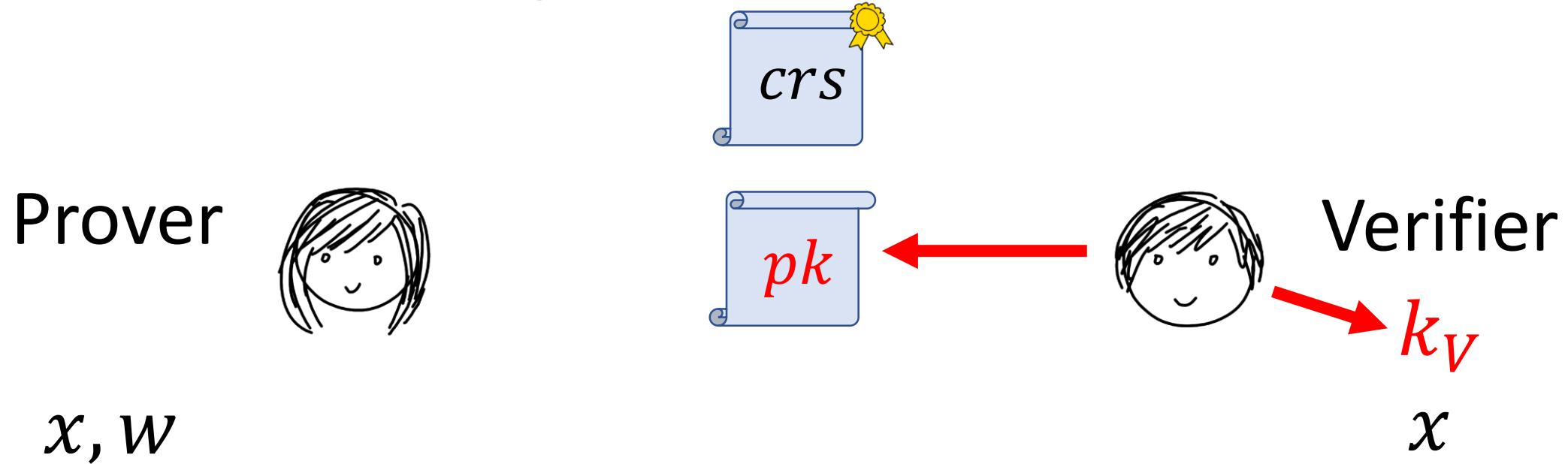
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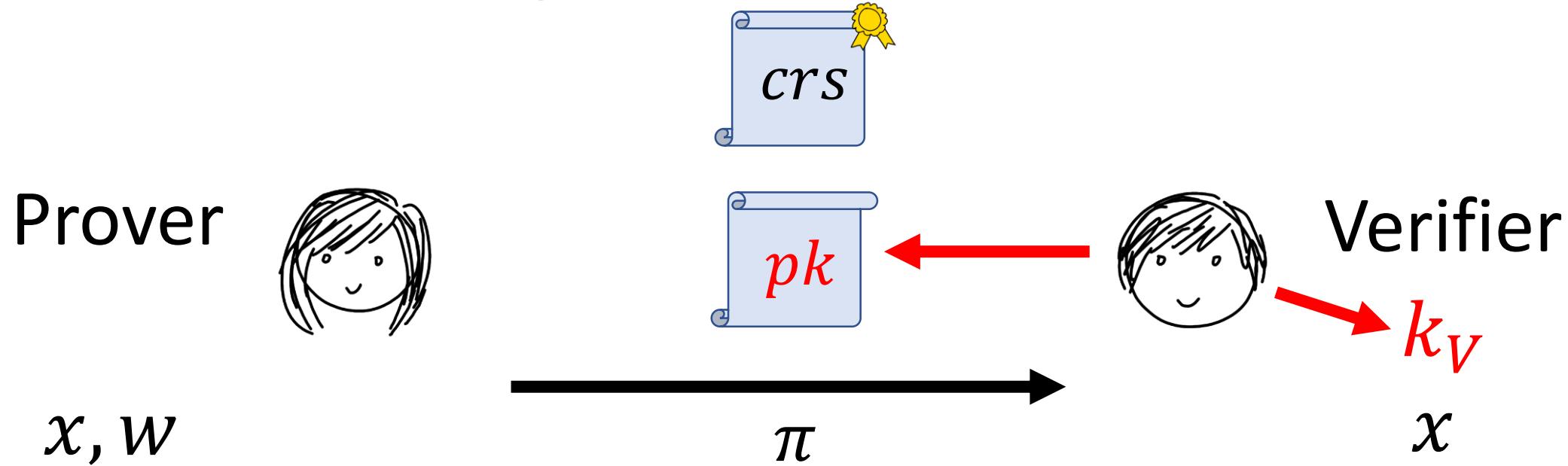
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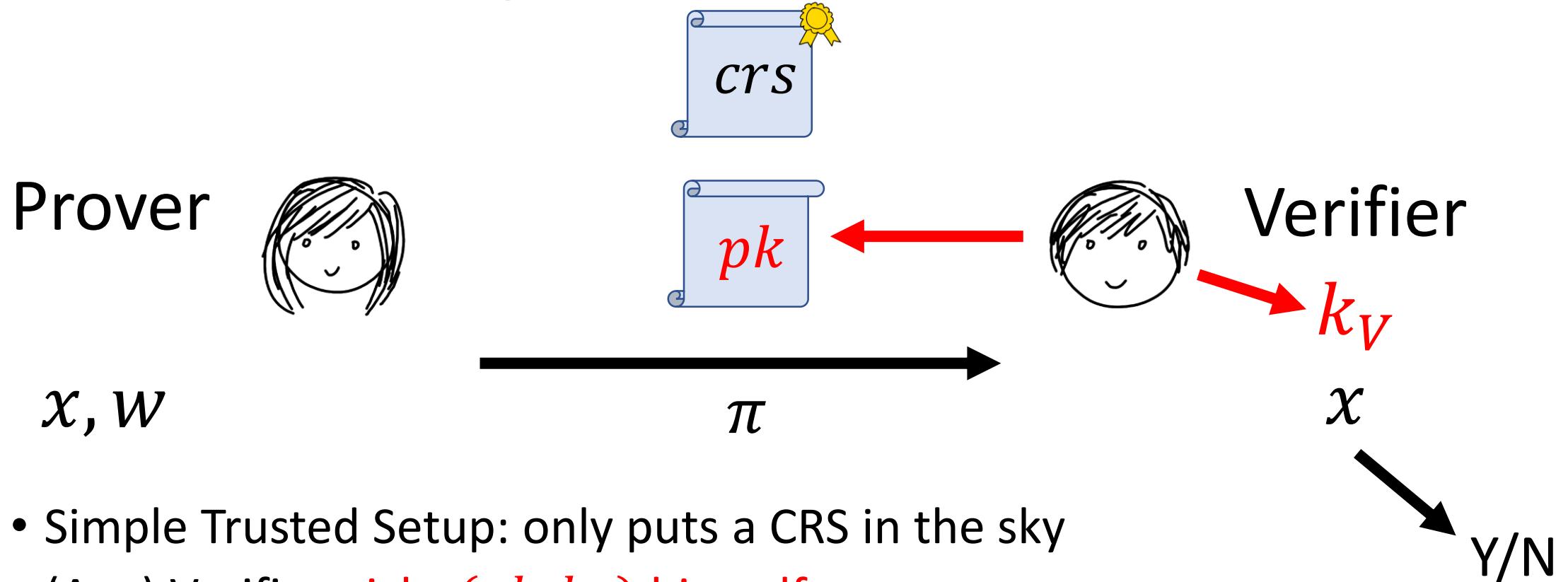
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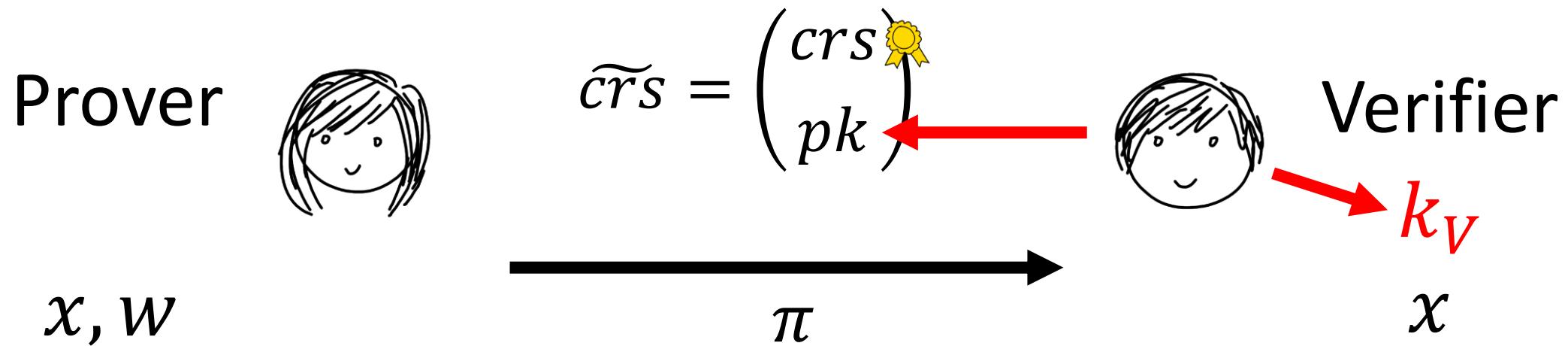
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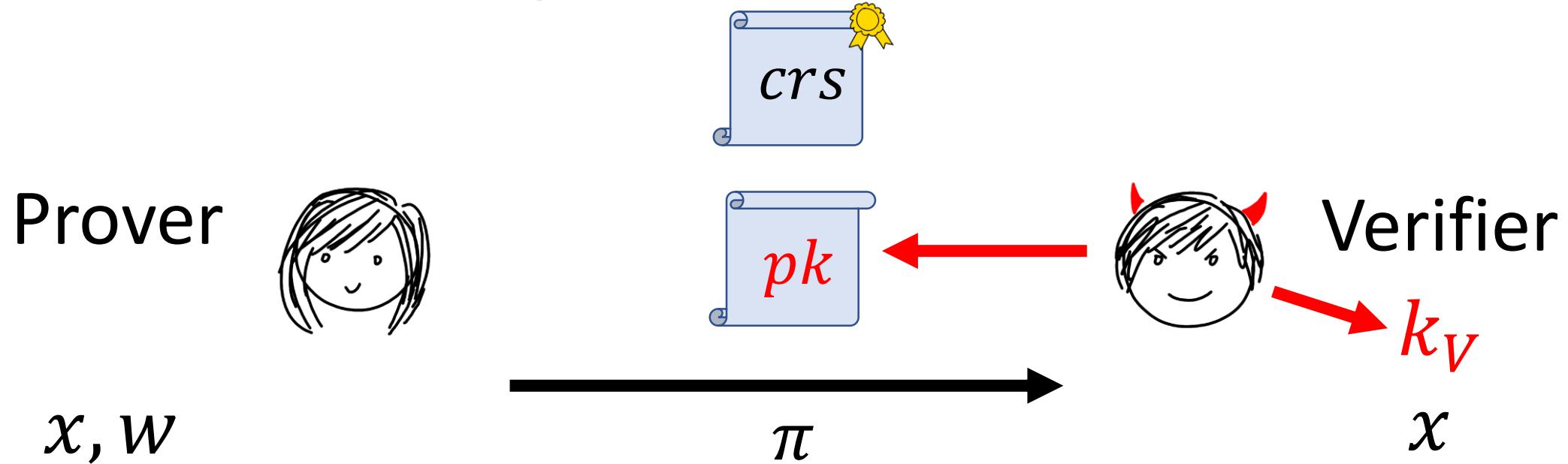
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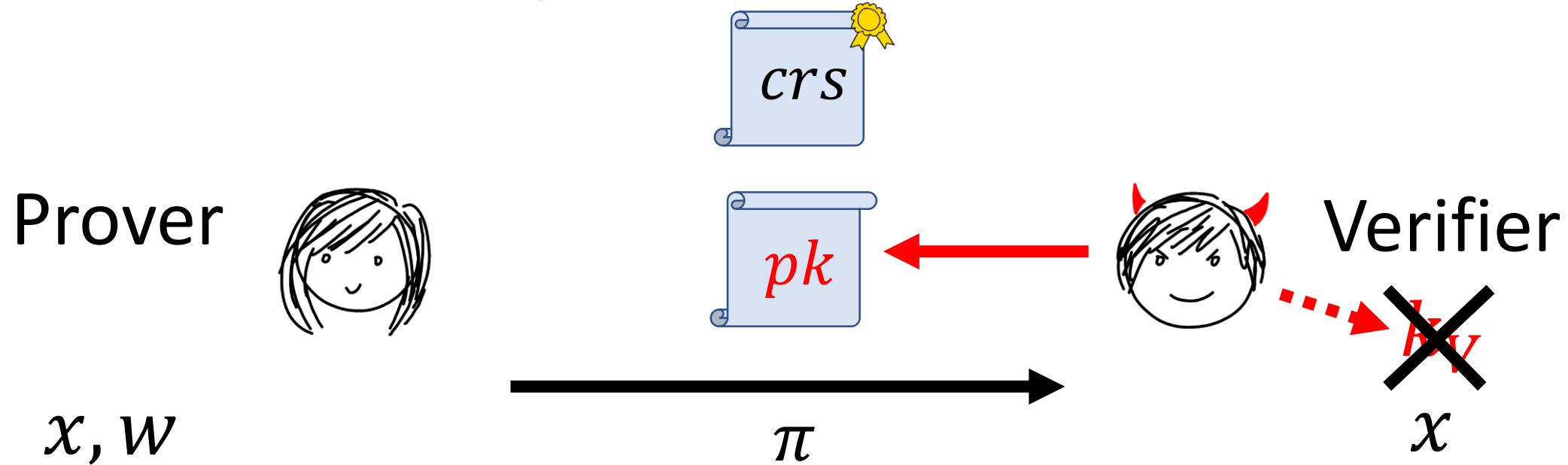
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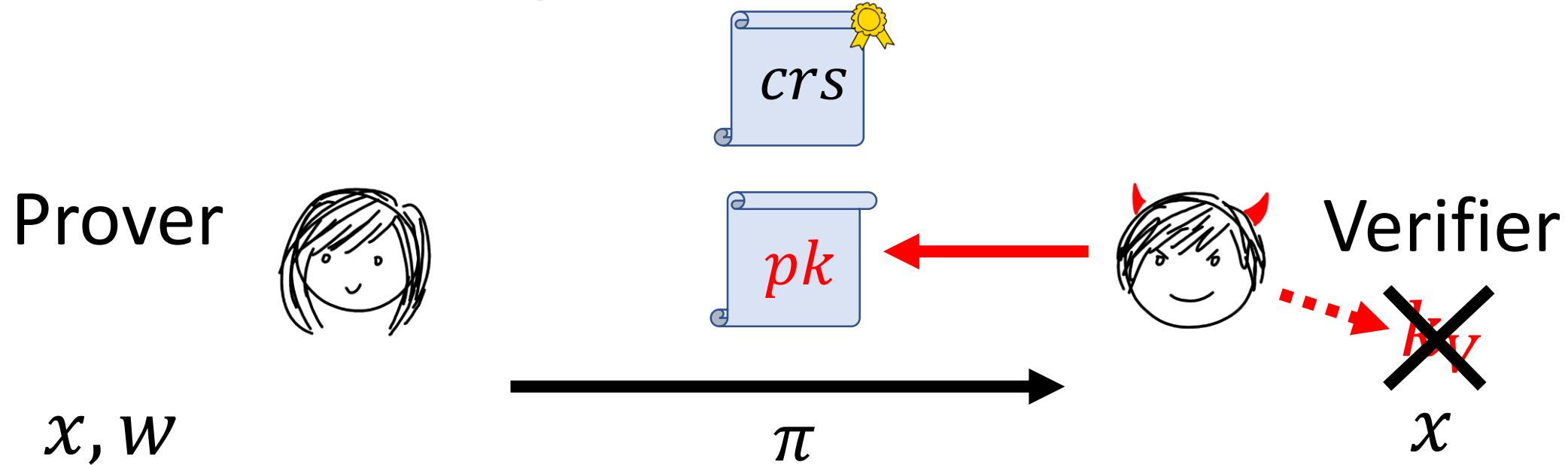
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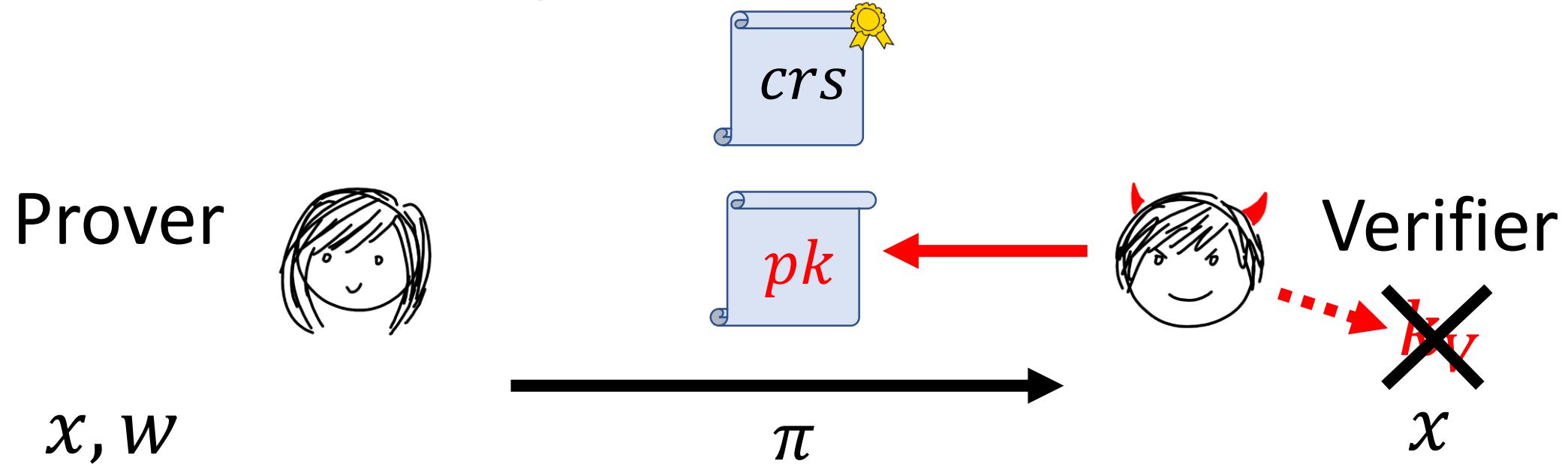
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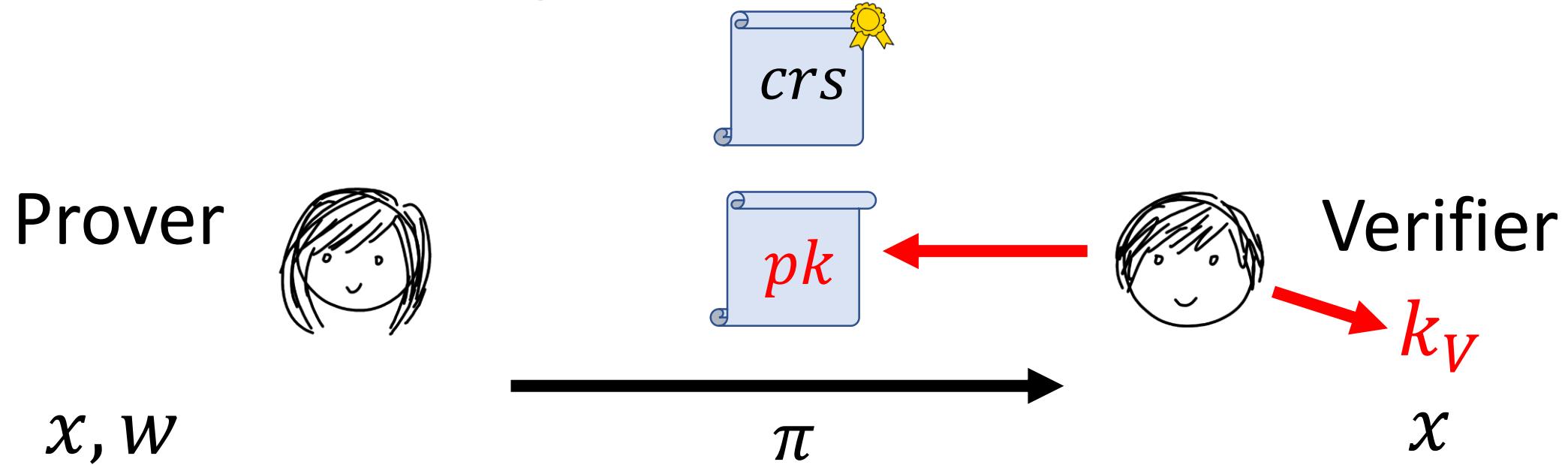


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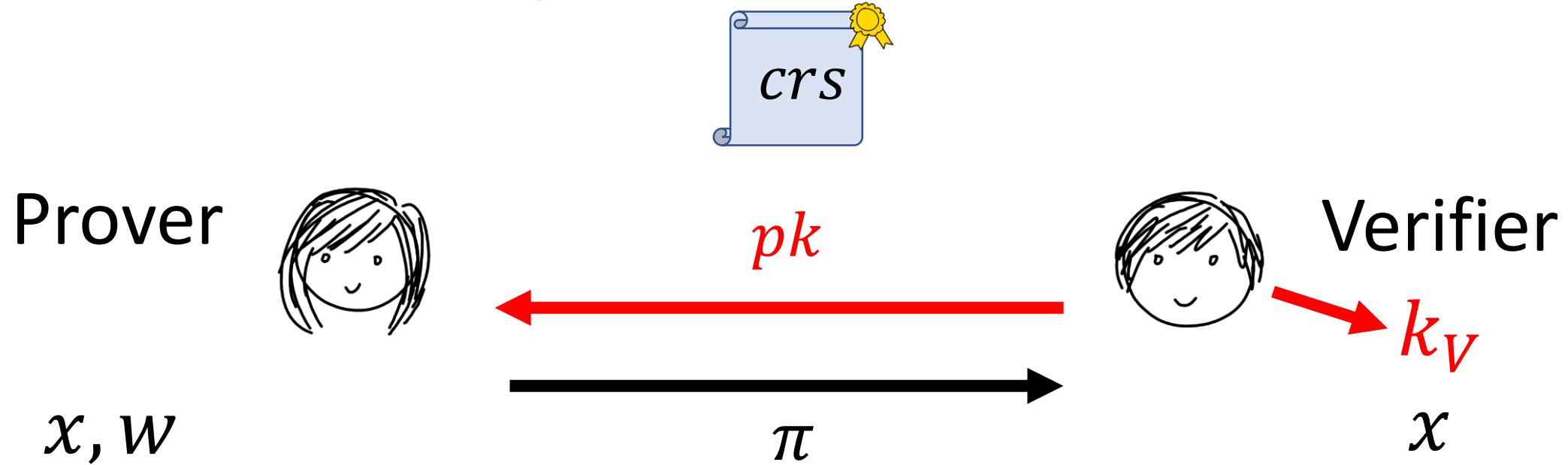


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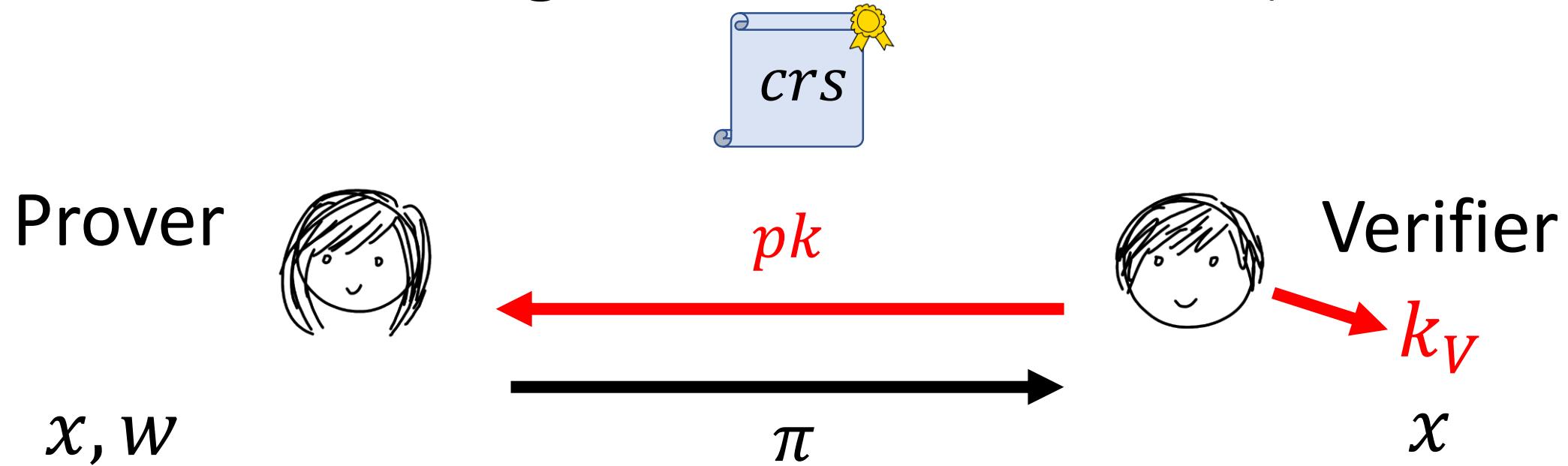


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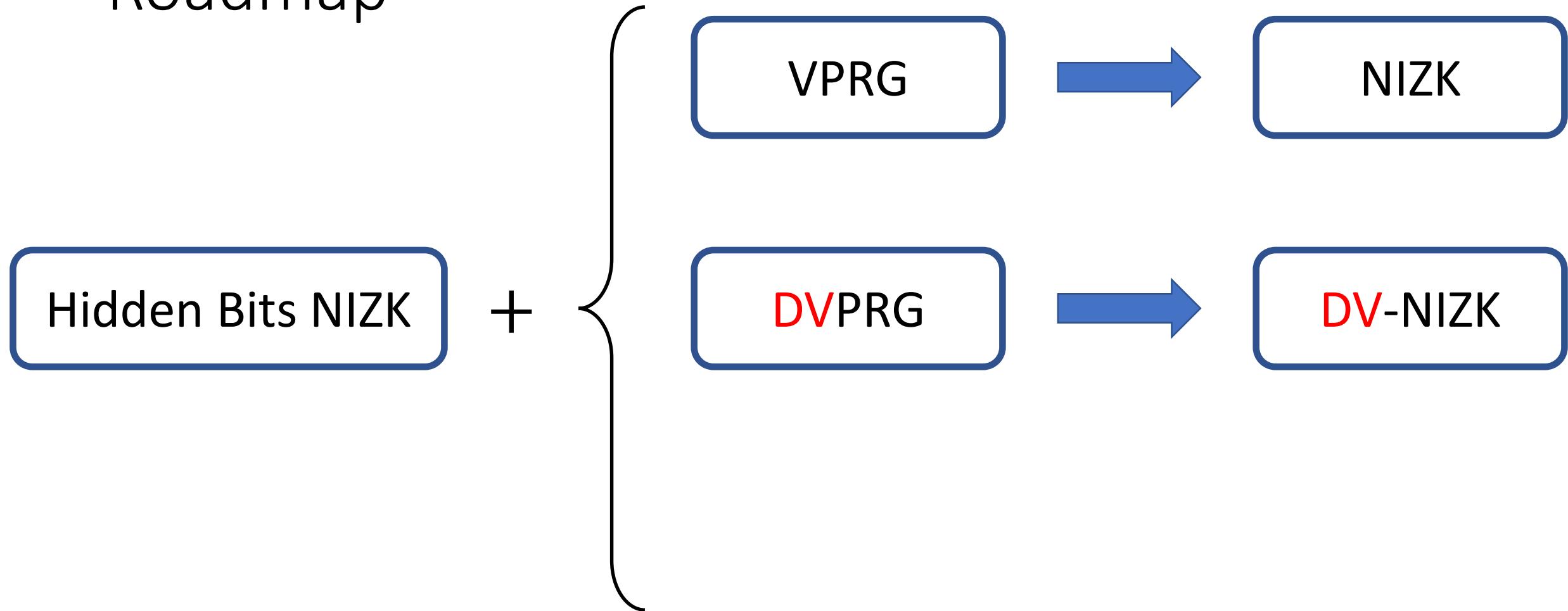


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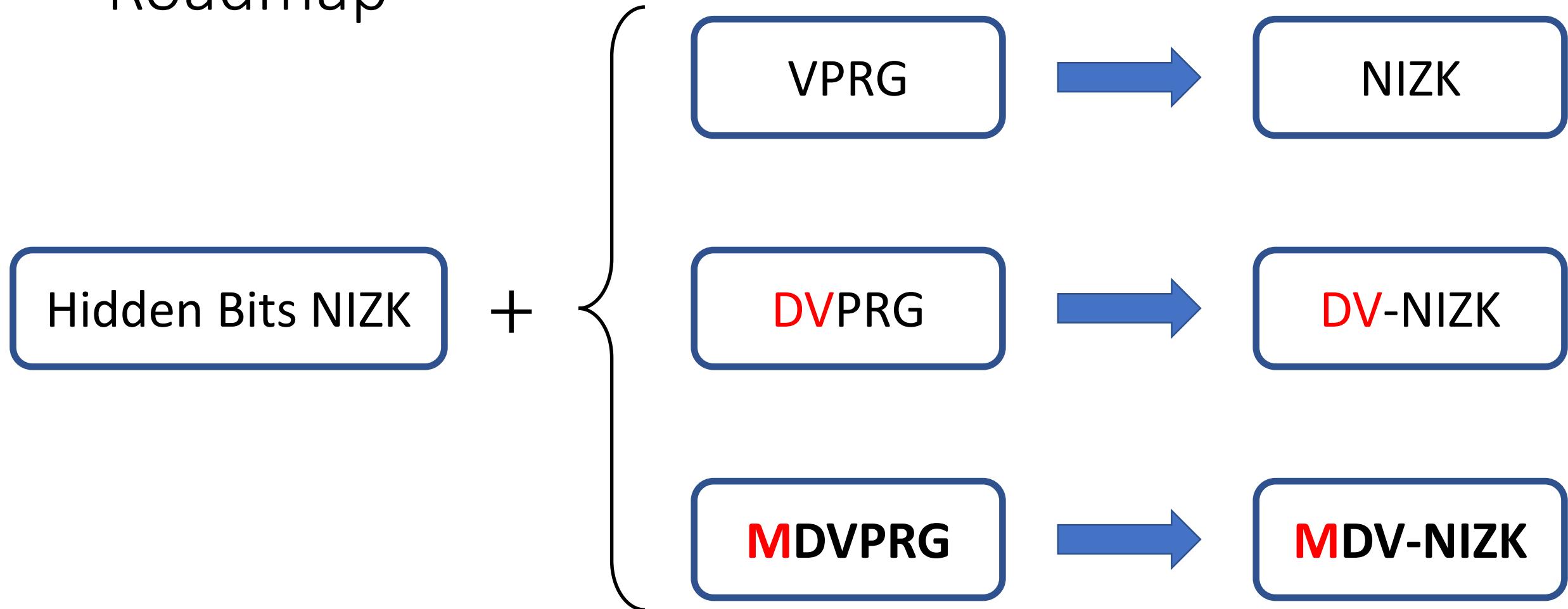
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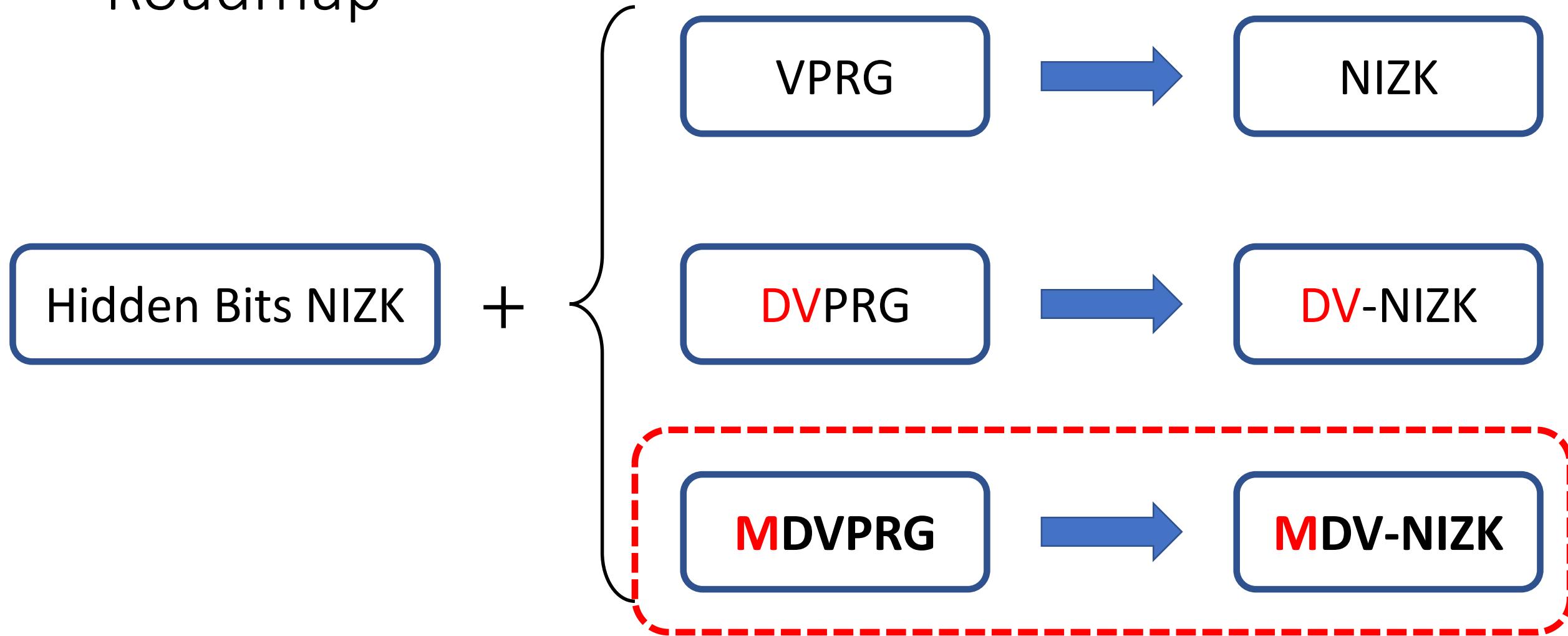
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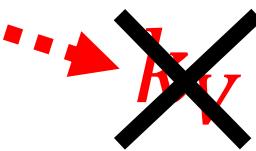
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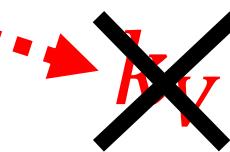
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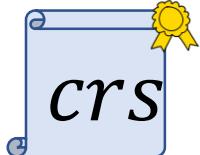

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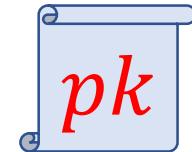


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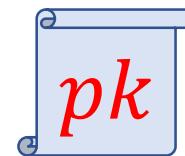
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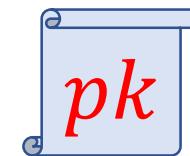
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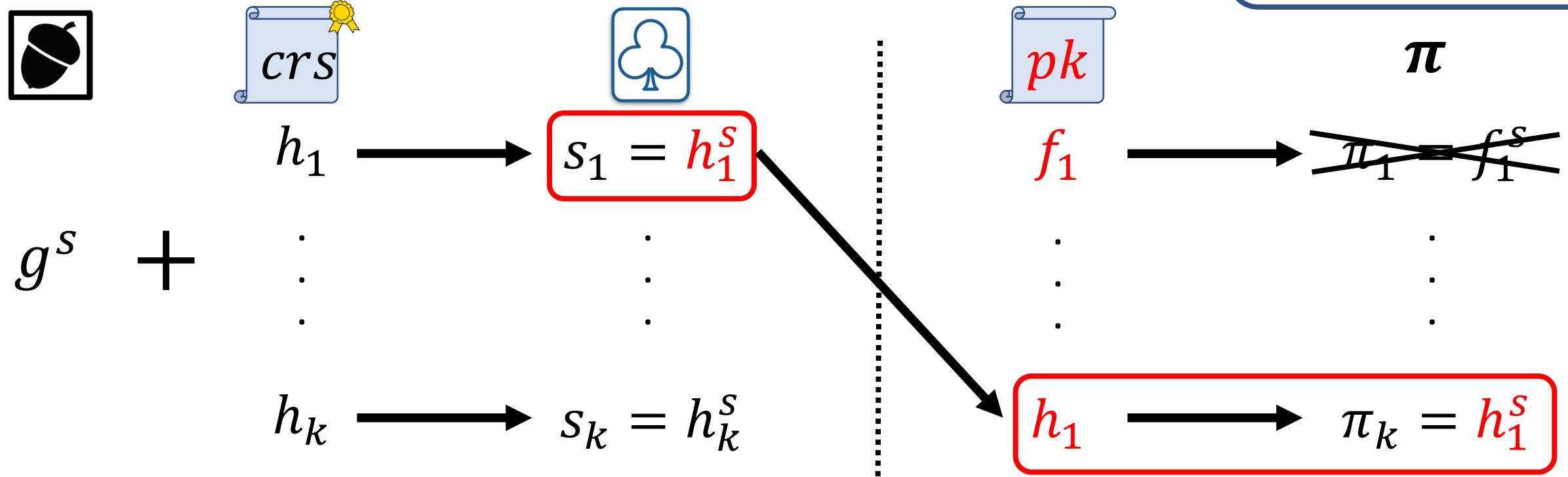
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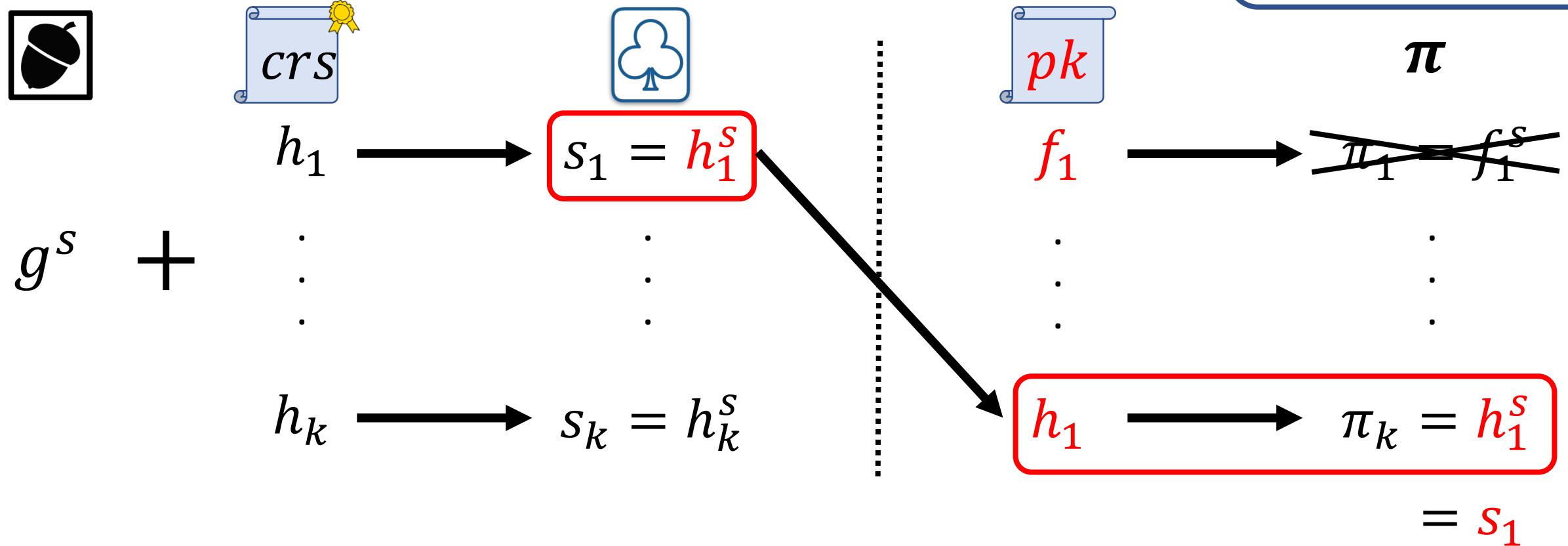
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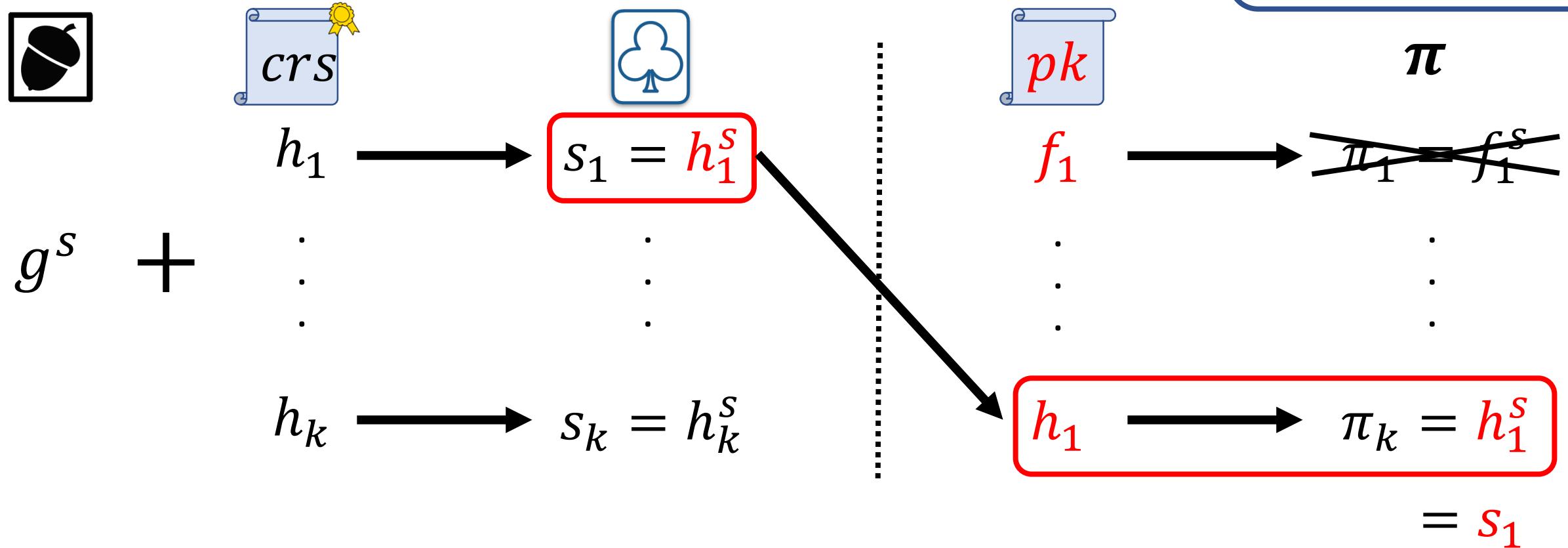
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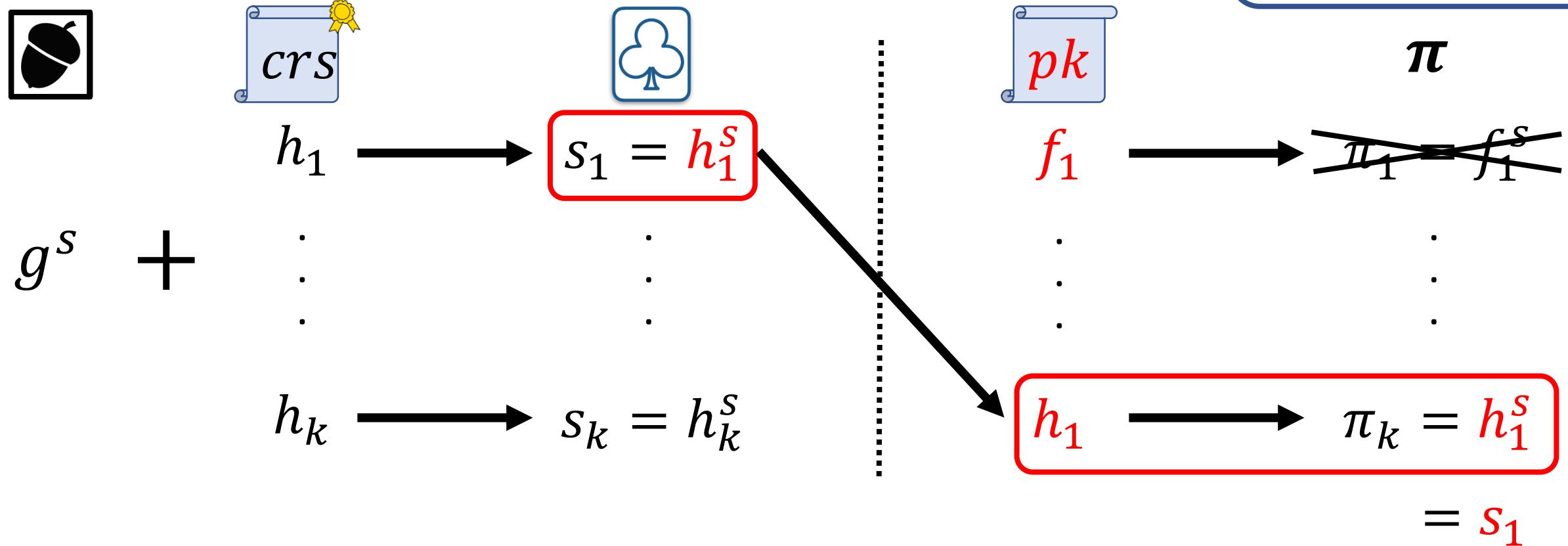
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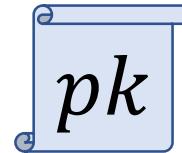
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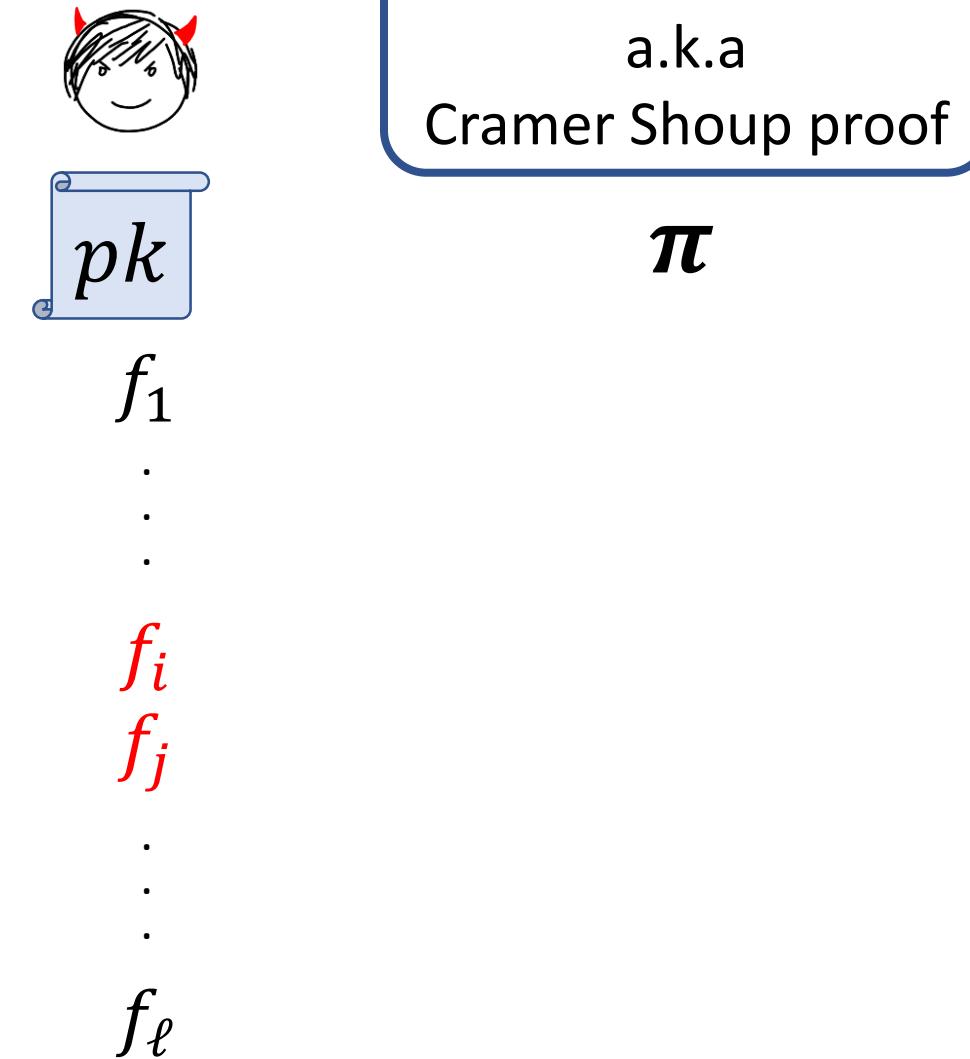
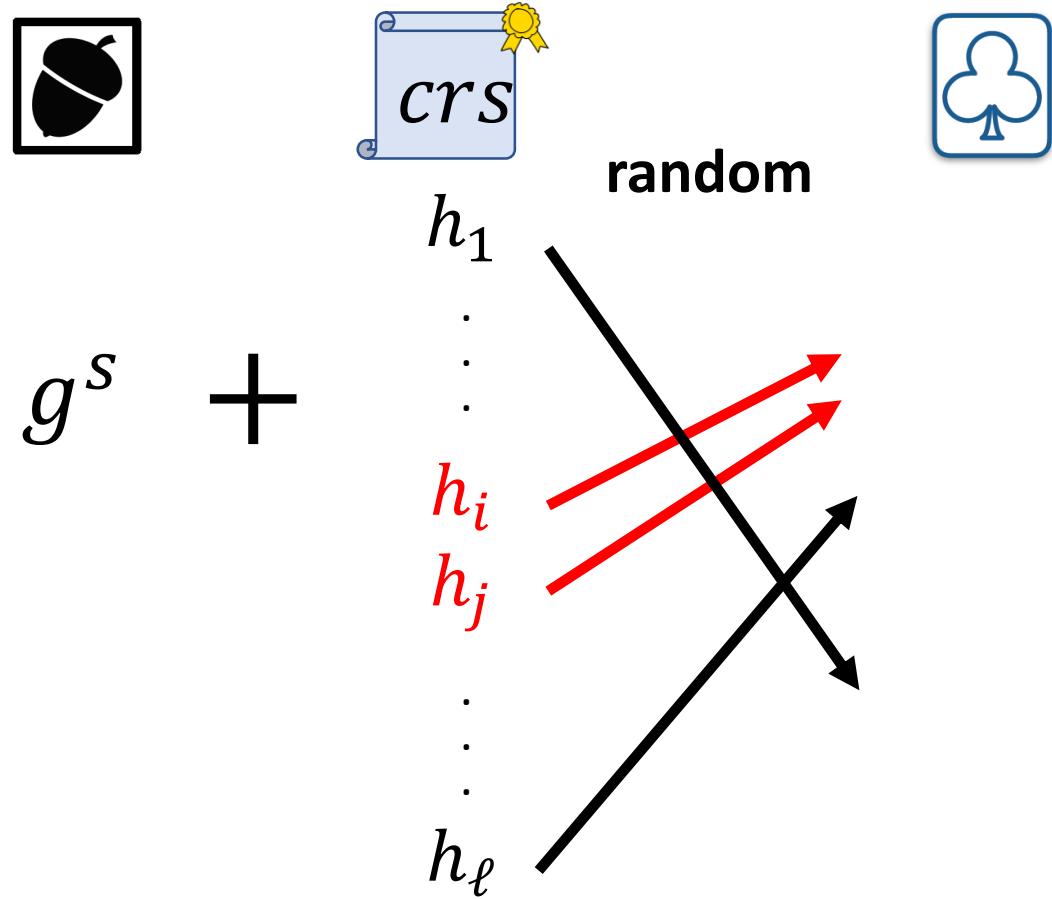

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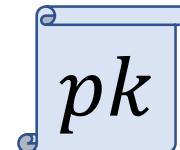
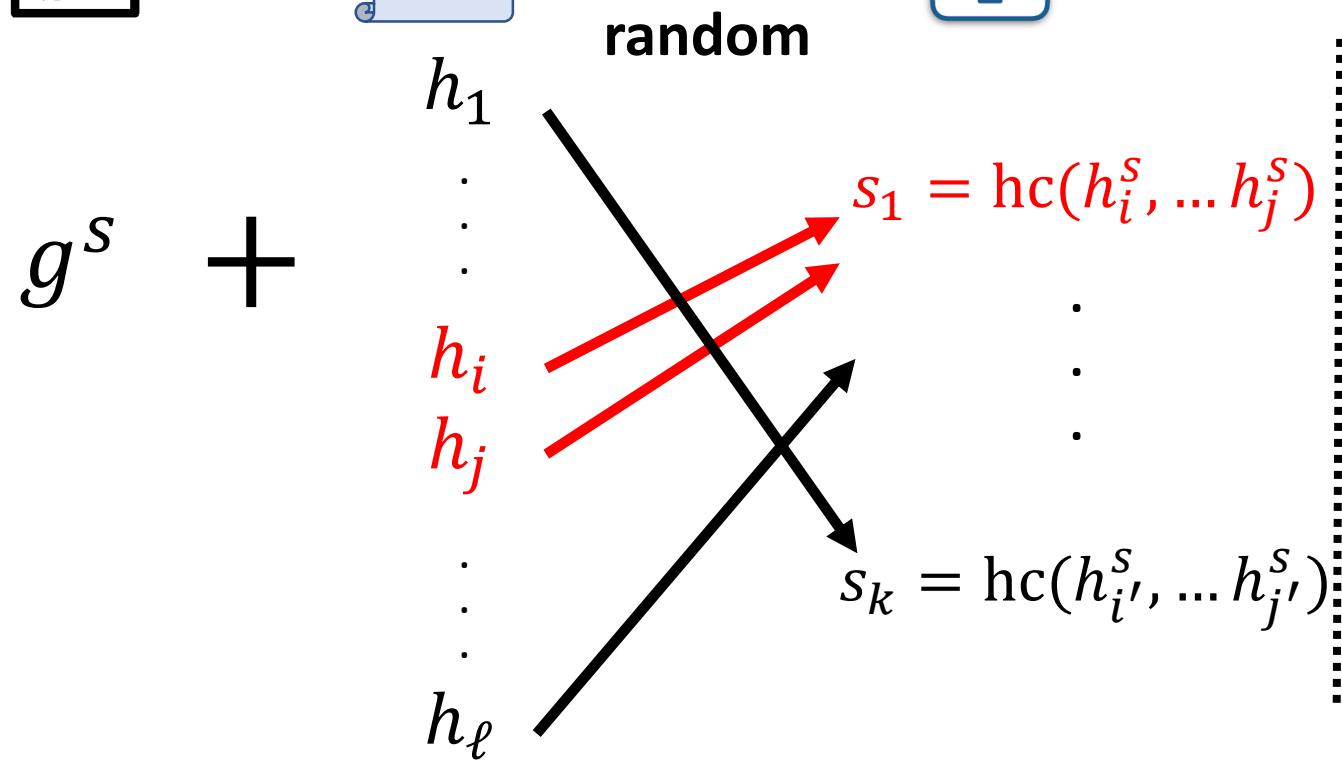


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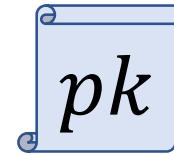
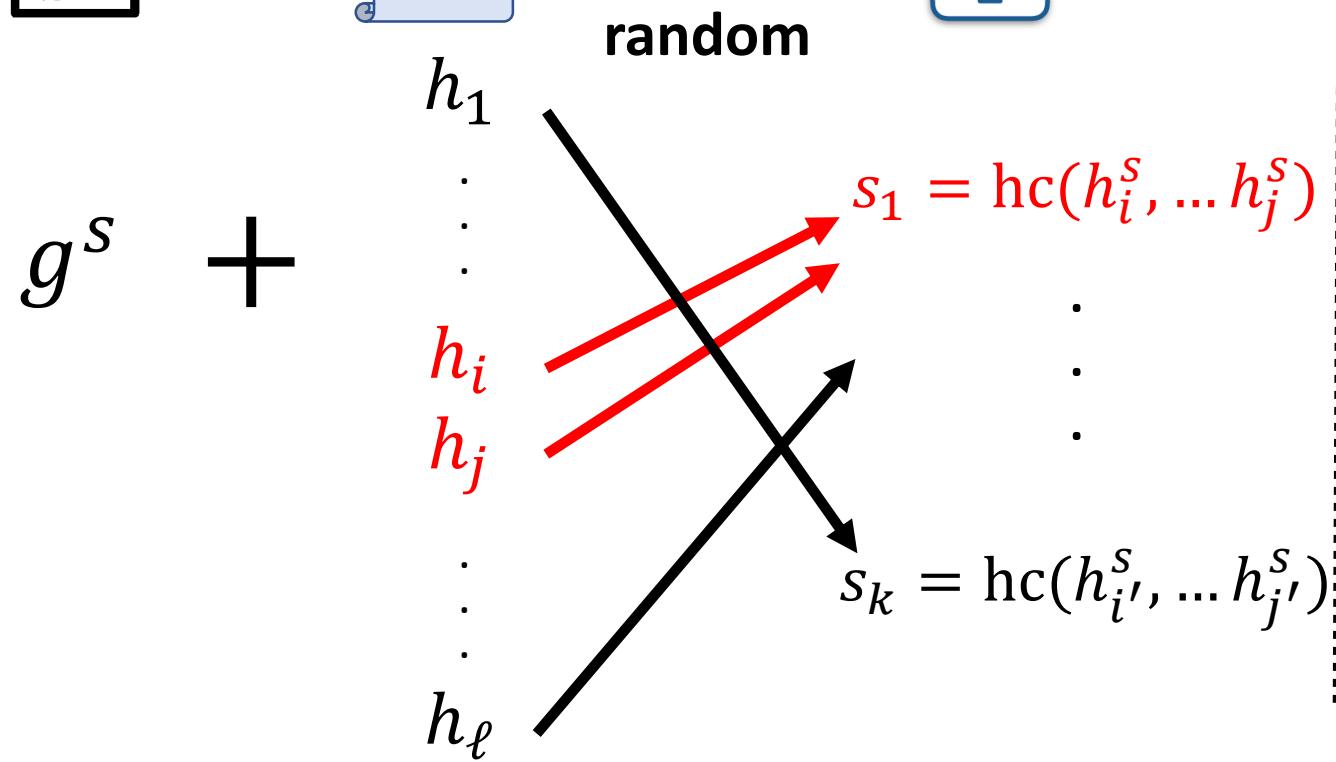
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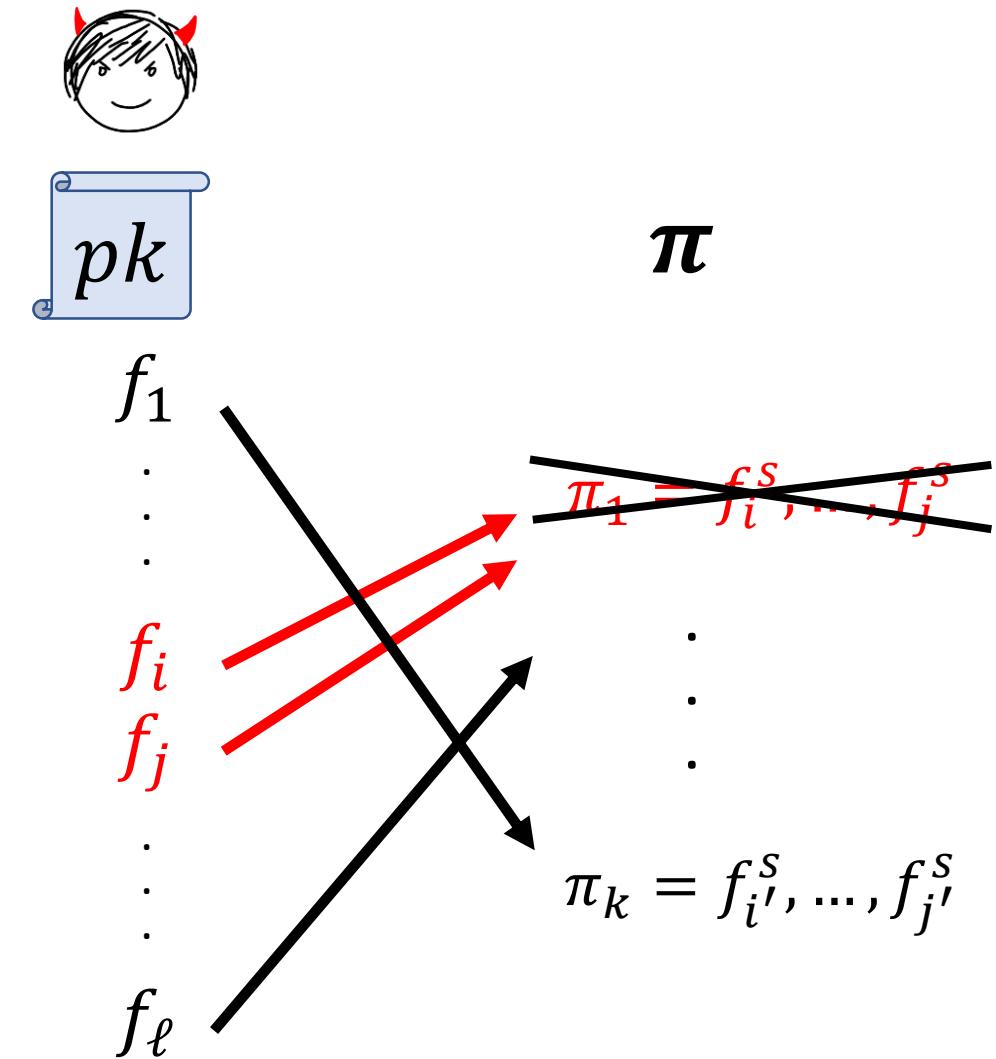
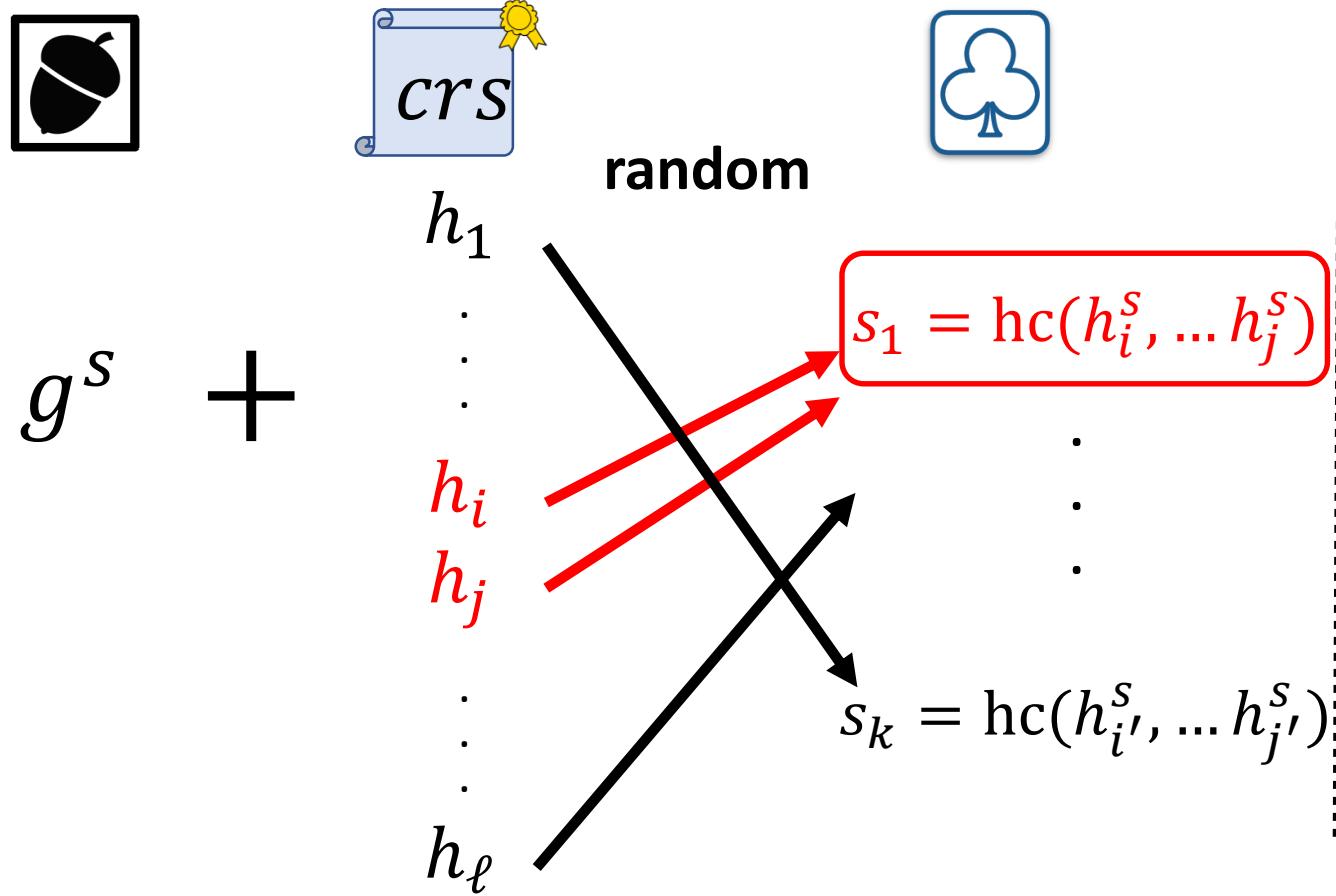
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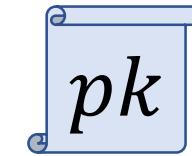
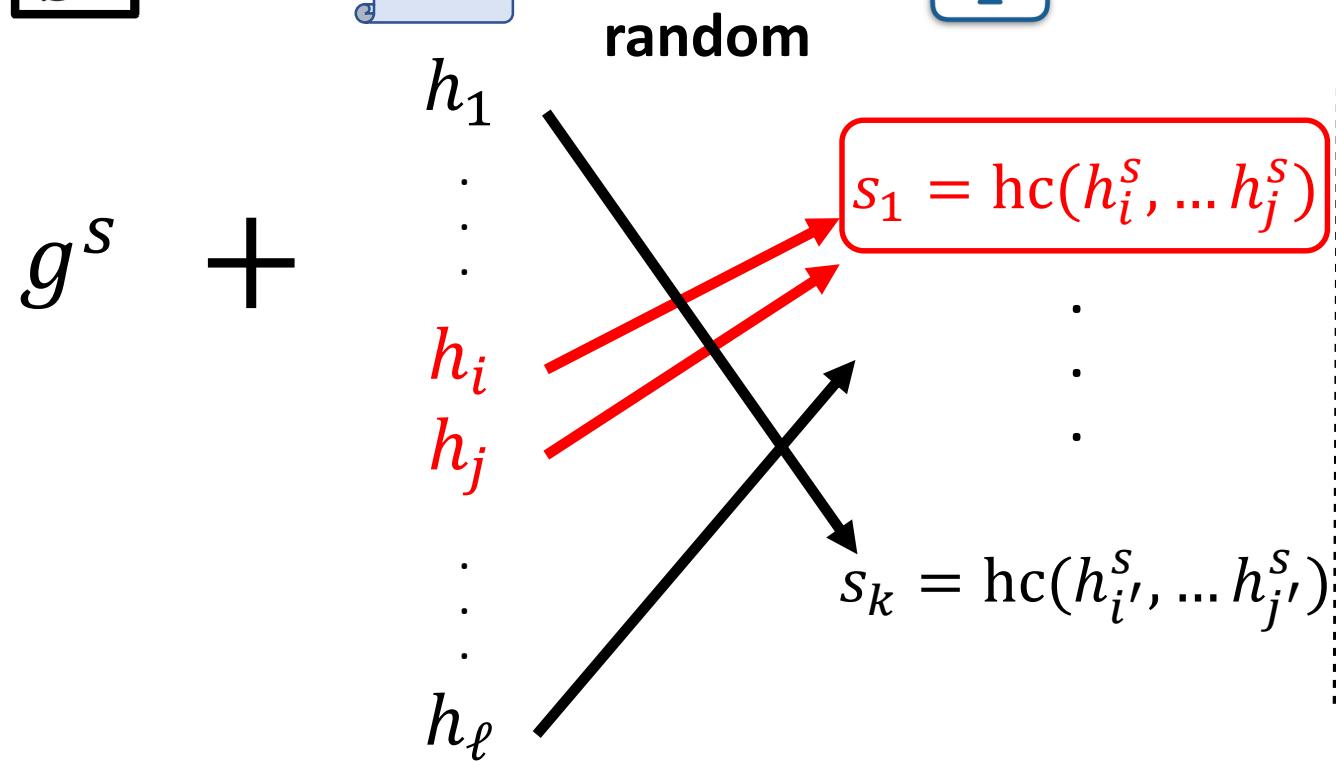
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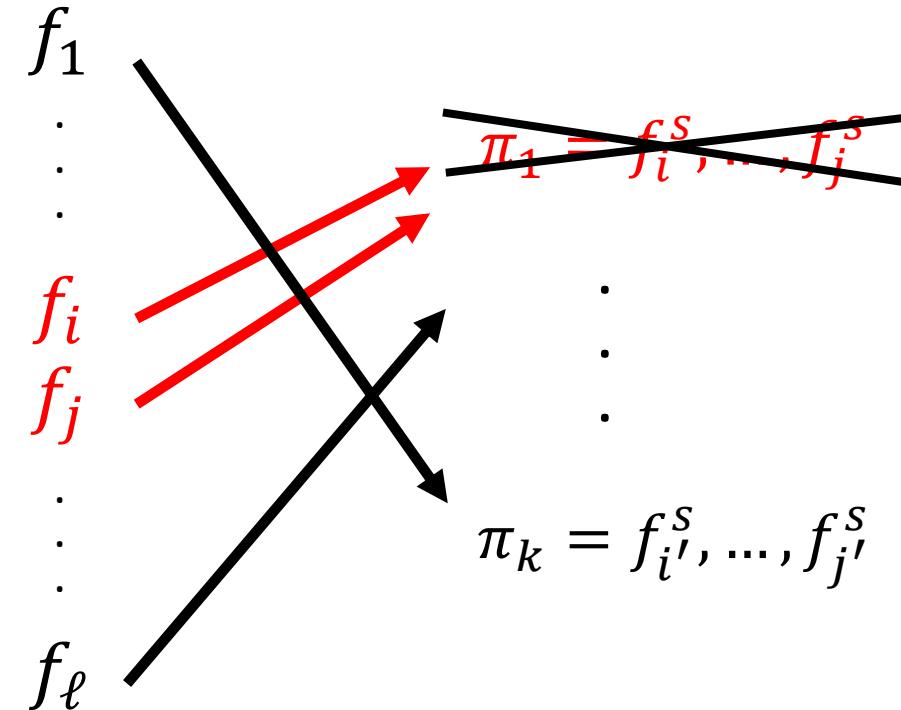
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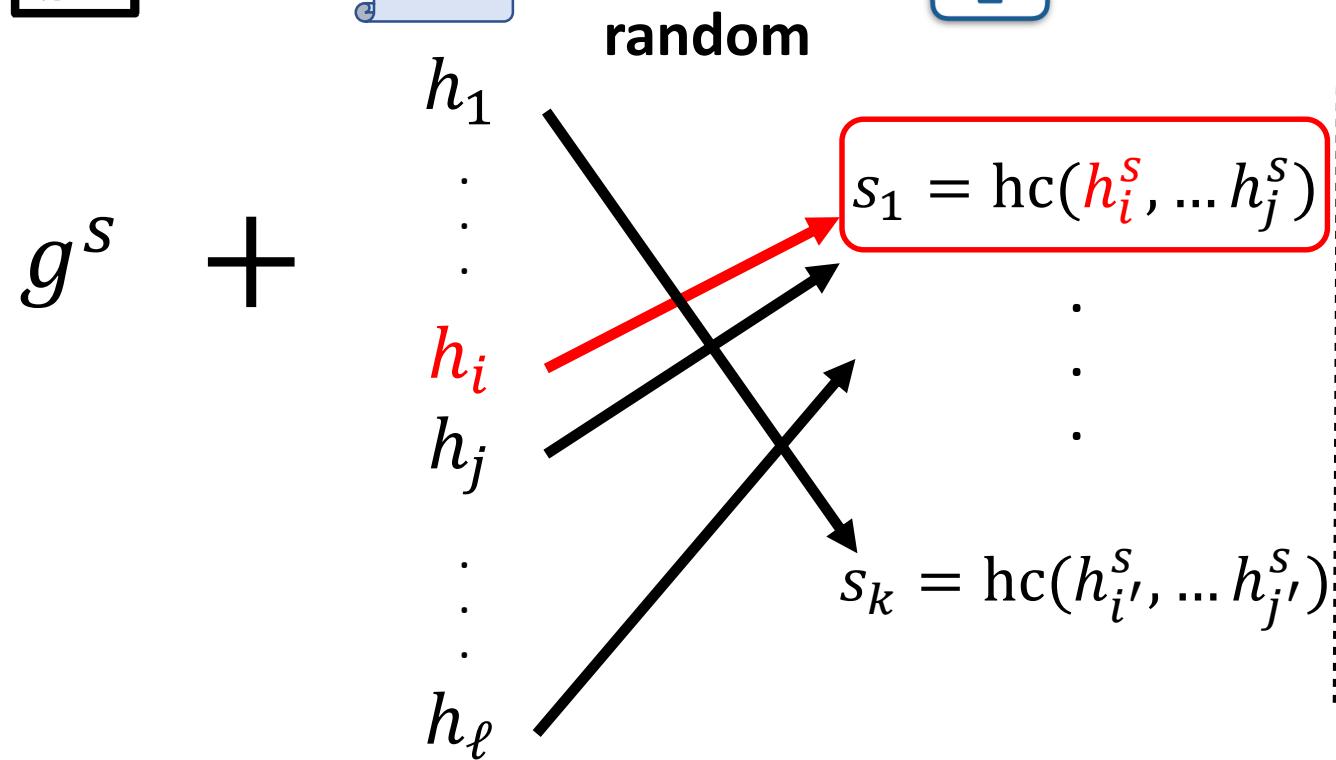


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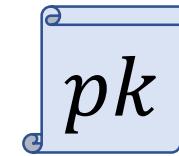


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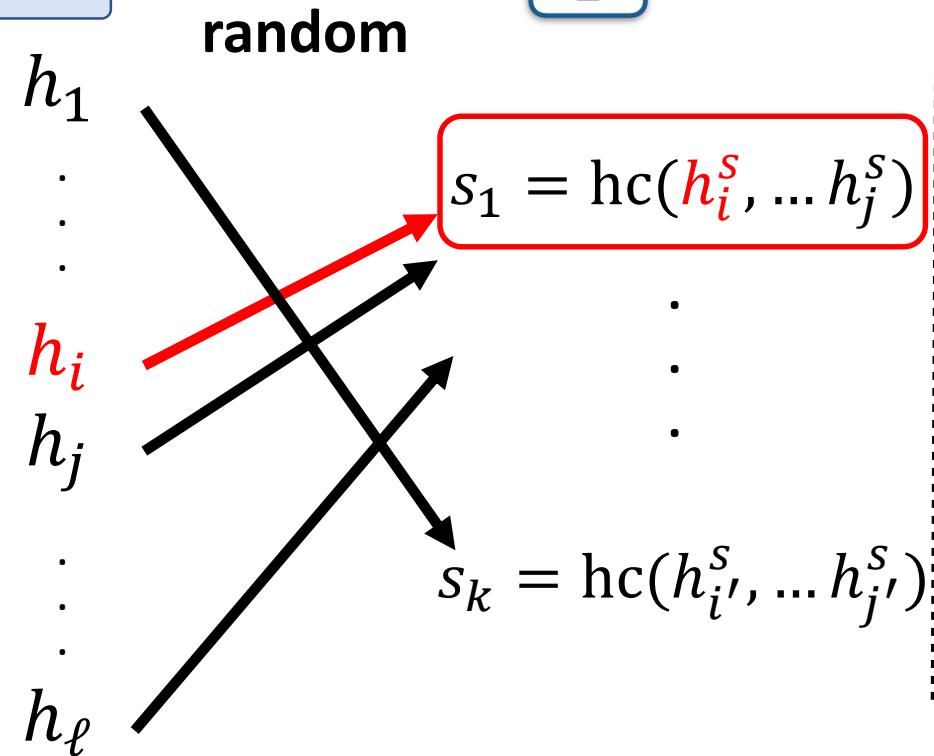
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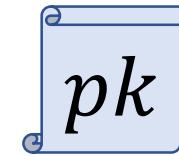
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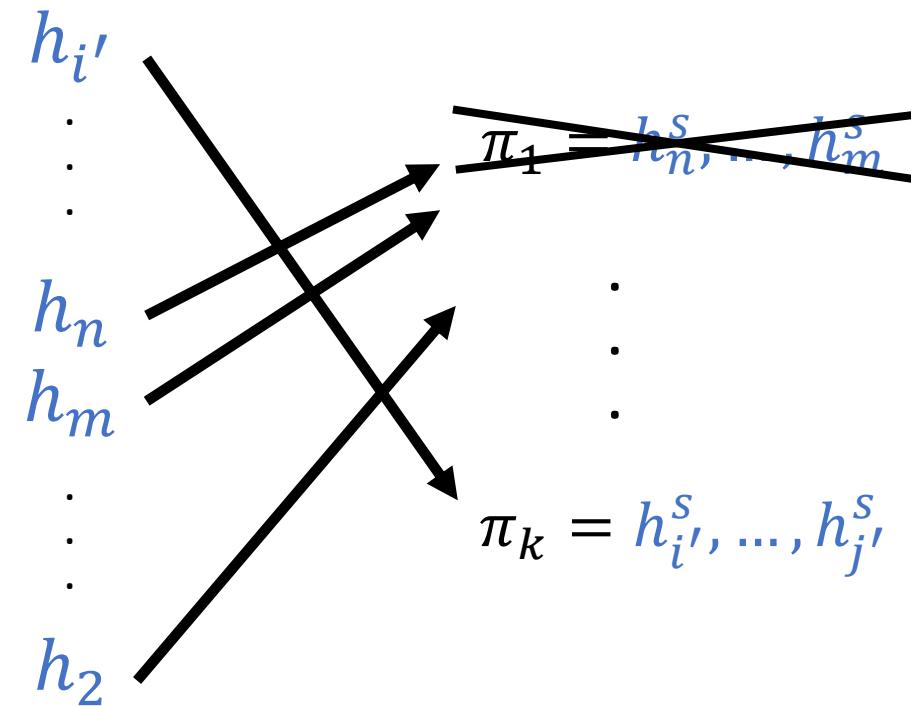
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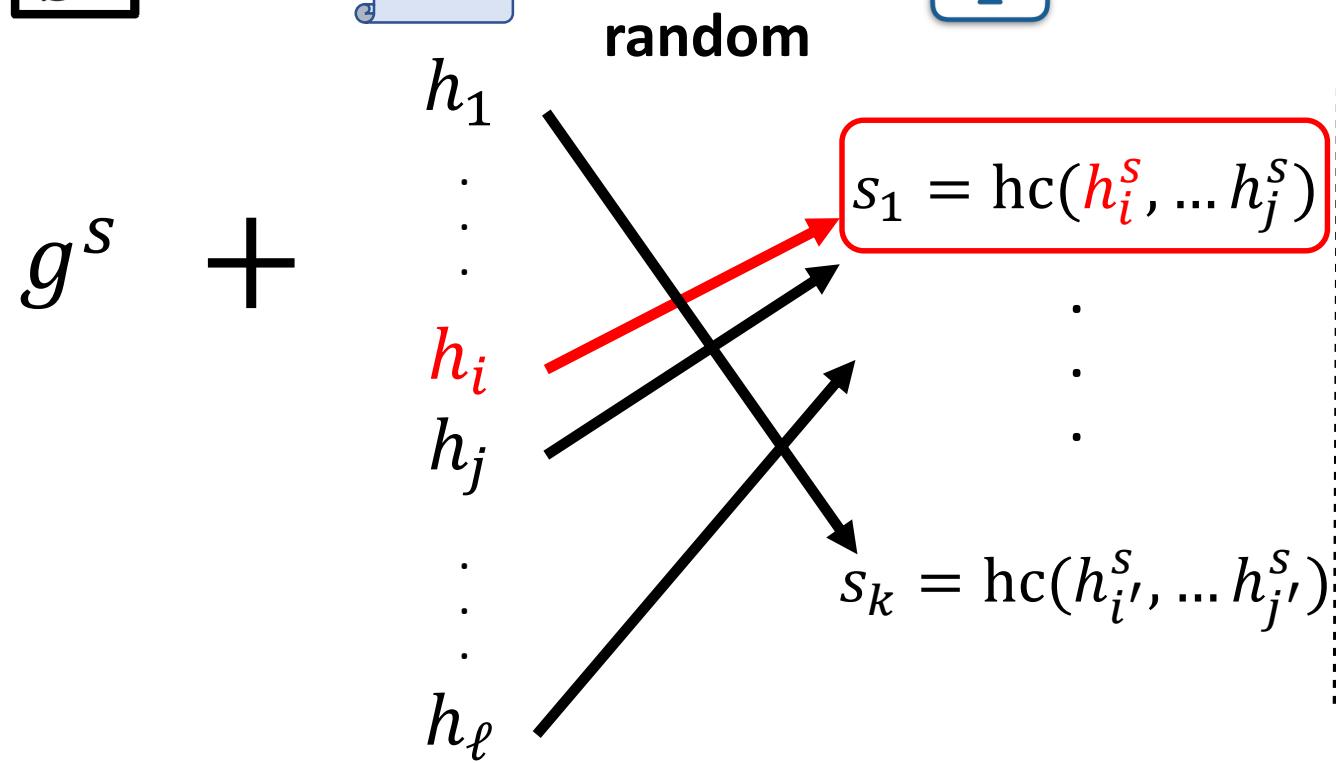


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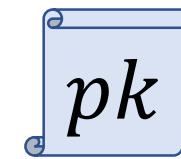


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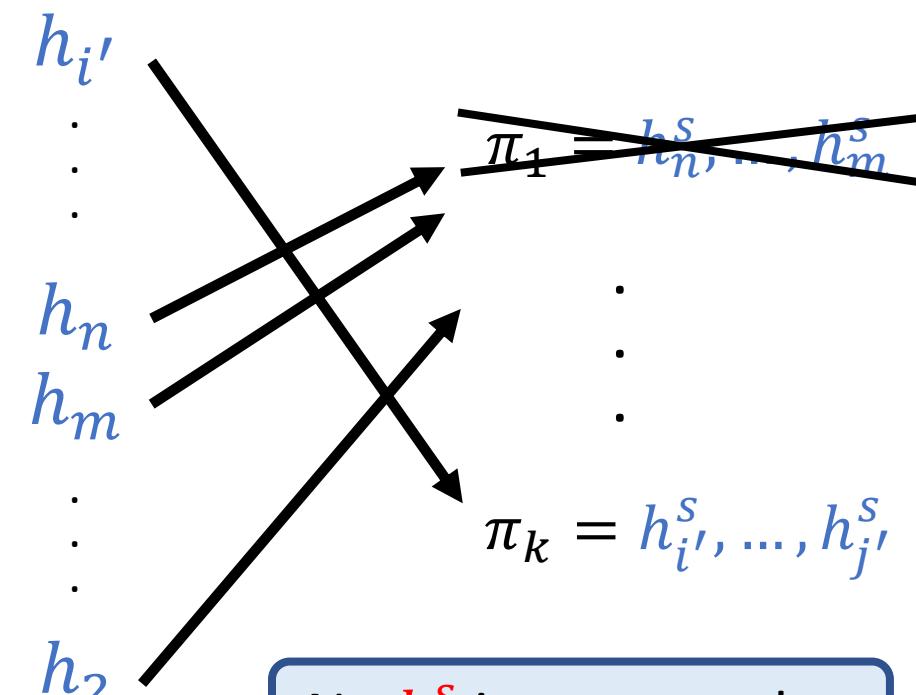
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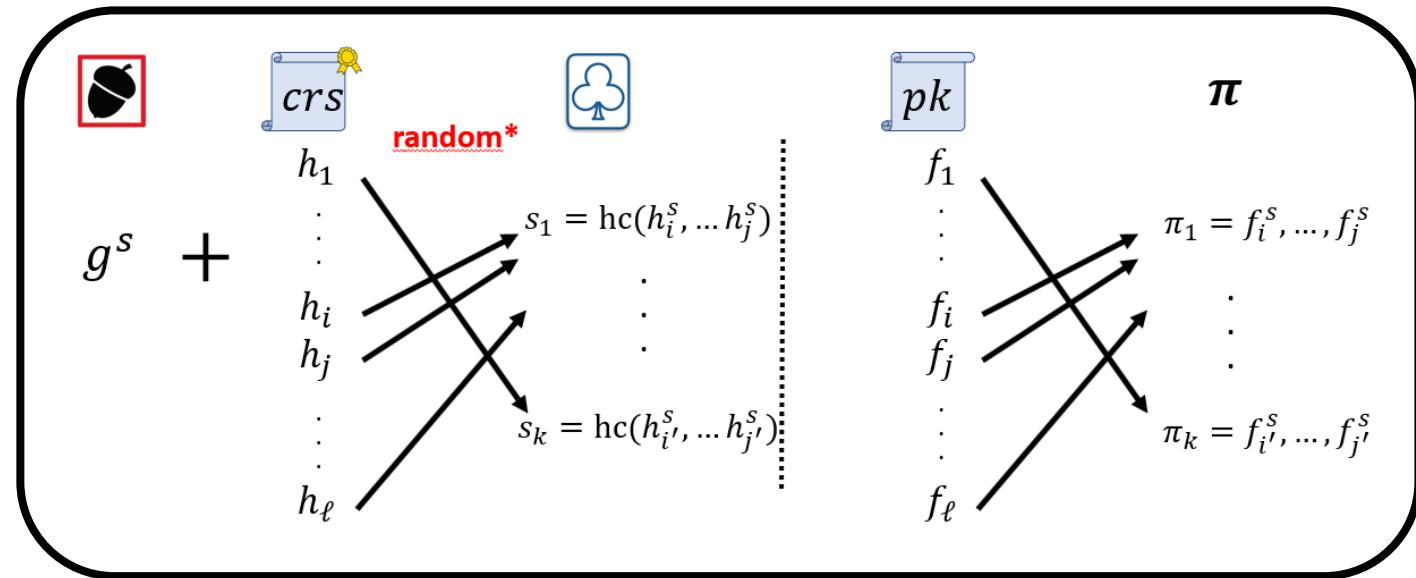
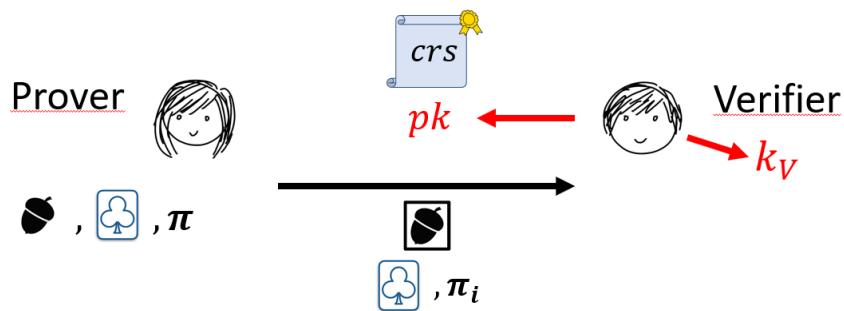
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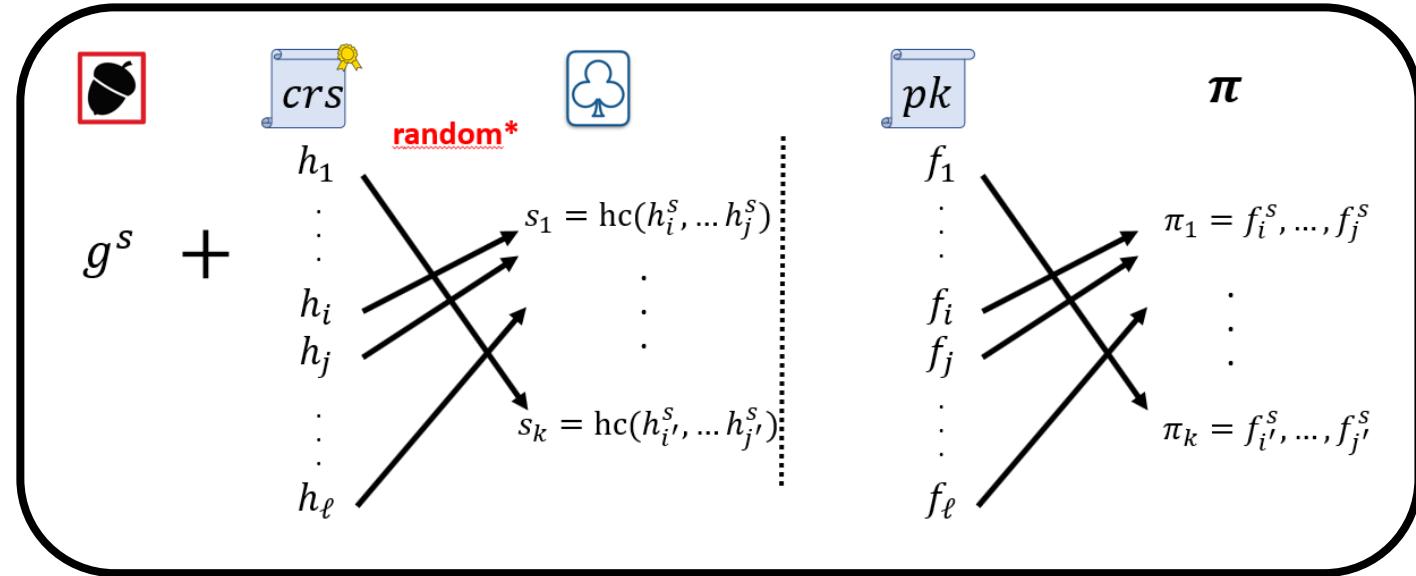
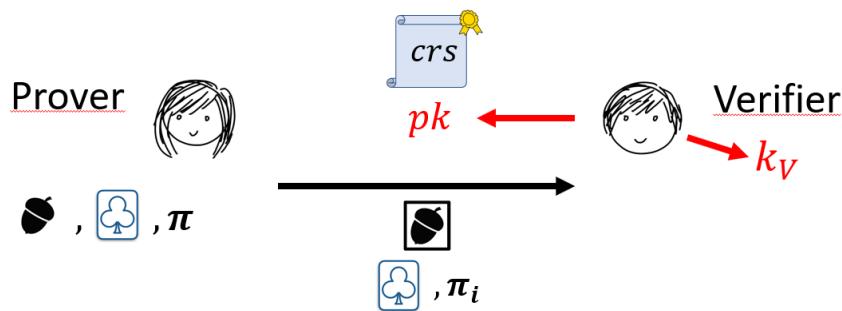
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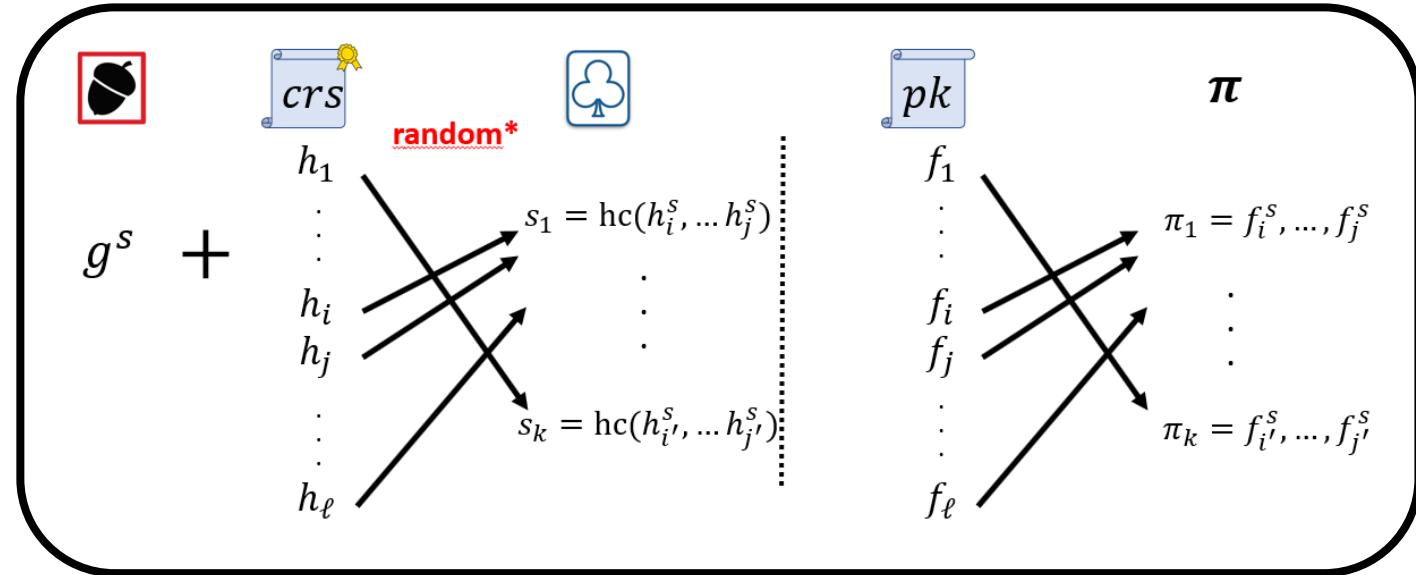
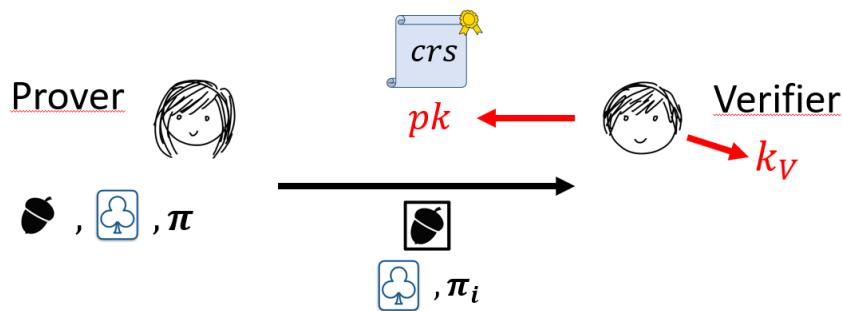


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# Motivation

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NIZK with  
NP relation

(\*iO, FH)



## This Work

(DP, PP)-NIZKs based on **falsifiable pairing/paring-free group assumptions** with proof size  $|C| + \text{poly}(\lambda)$ .

Without

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$\pi$

A large black arrow pointing from left to right, labeled with the Greek letter  $\pi$  above it.

Verifier  $x$



Proving Key  $k_P$

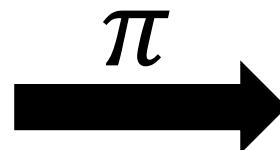
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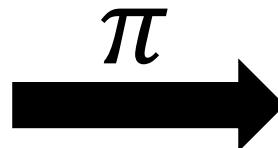
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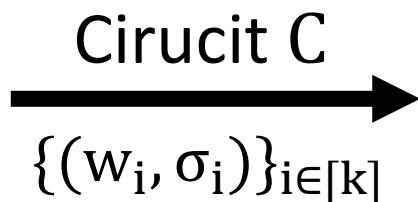
- Result of [KimWu18@Crypto]

Any **context-hiding homomorphic signatures/MACs**  
(HomSig/MAC) can be converted into **DP/PP-NIZKs**.

# HomSig/MAC in a Nutshell

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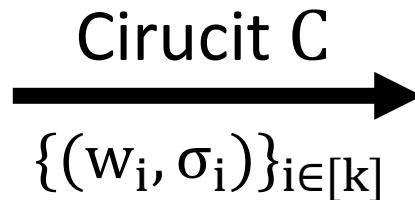


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If  $|\sigma_C| = \text{poly}(\lambda)$  for  $\forall C \in \mathbf{NC}^1$ ,  
then  $|\pi| = |C| + \text{poly}(\lambda)$  by  
[KimWu18].

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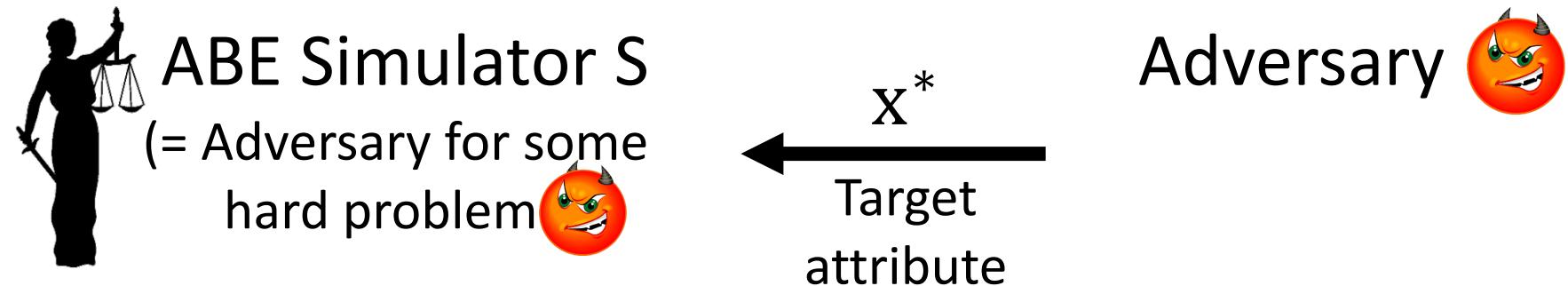
**Compact HomSig for NC<sup>1</sup> based on a non-static Diffie-Hellman type assumption.**

## Core Idea:

- View the **simulator** used in certain **Key-Policy ABE** security proofs as **HomSigs**.
- Construct Key-Policy ABE with **constant-sized secret-keys** from non-static DH type assumptions building on [RW13, AC16, AC17].

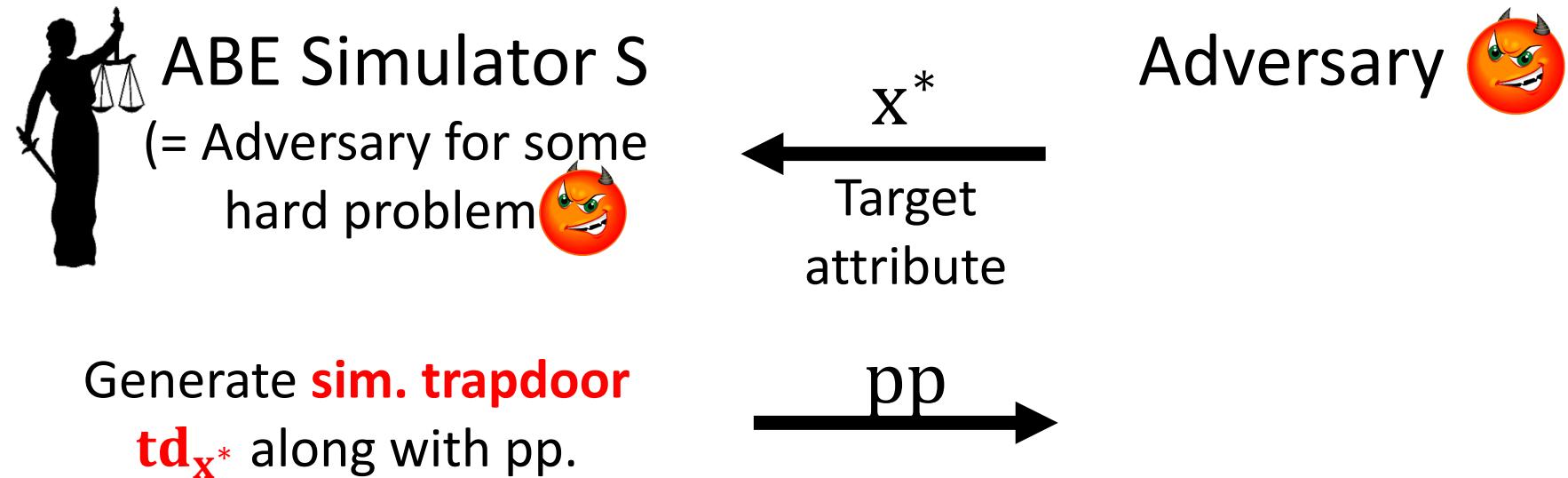
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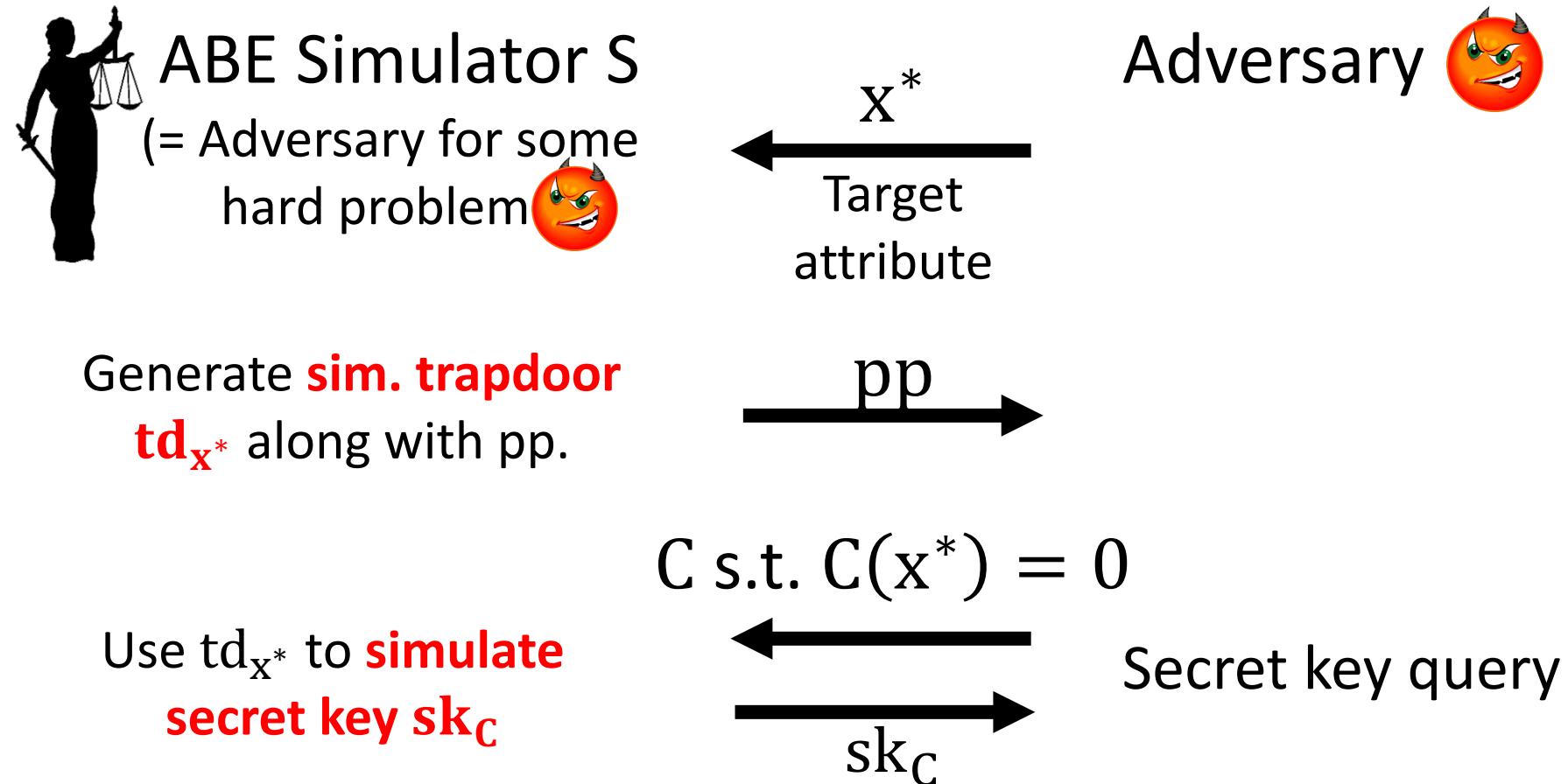
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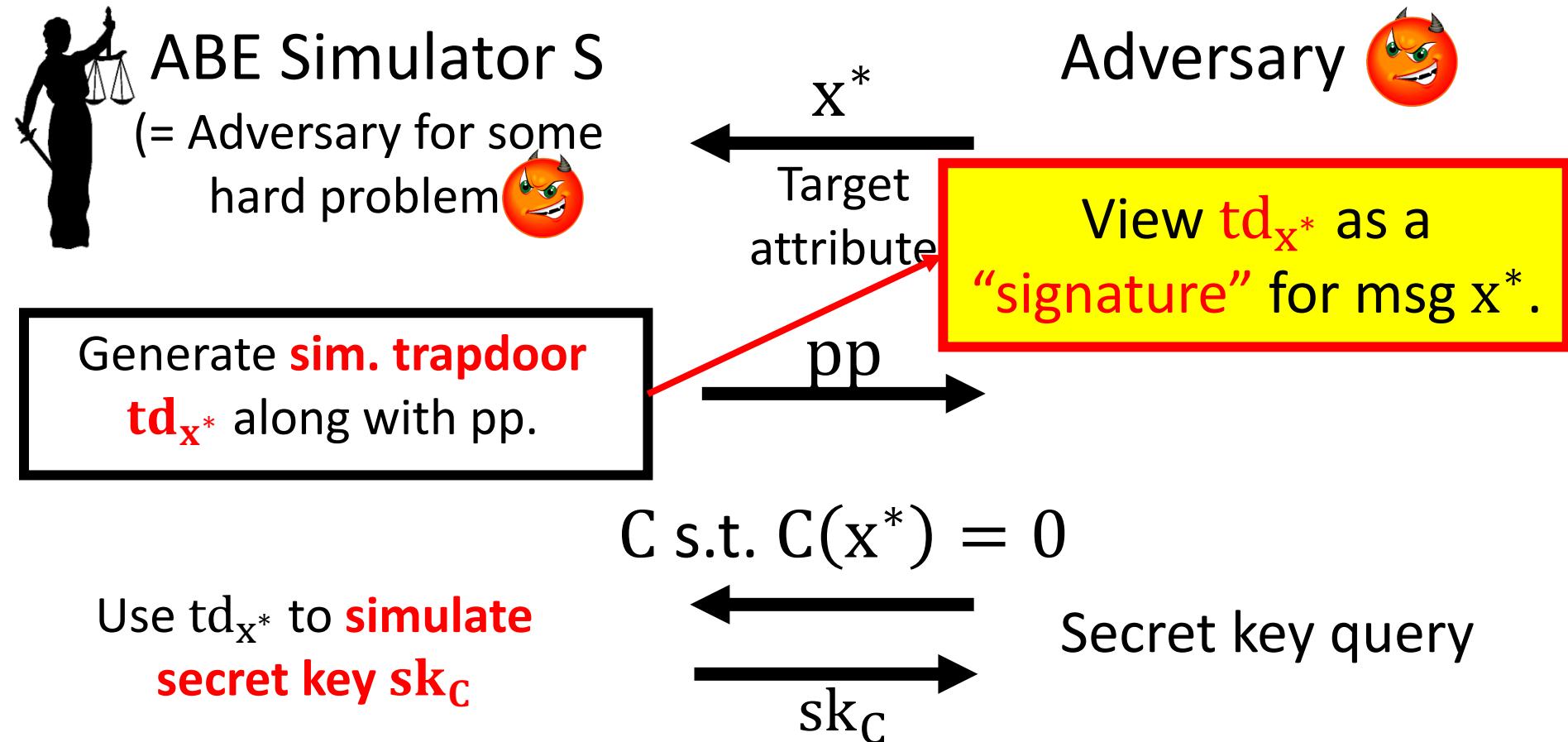
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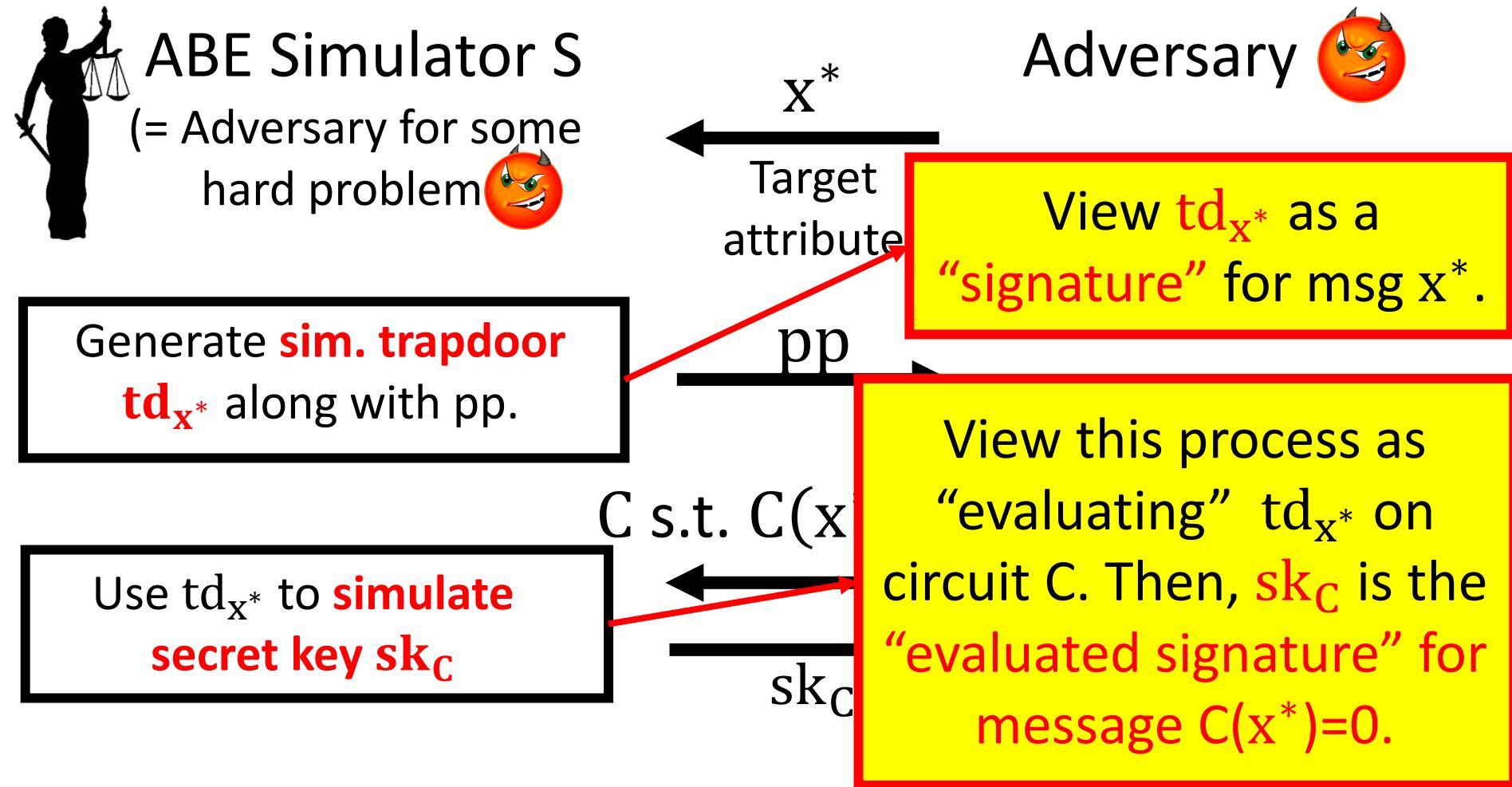
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# Result 2: New HomMAC ( $\Rightarrow$ PP-NIZK)

**Compact HomMAC for arithmetic circuits of  
poly. bounded degree based on DDH.**

\*Includes  $\text{NC}^1$ !!

Core Idea:

- Transform the non-context-hiding HomMAC by [CatFio18@JoC] into a **context-hiding** HomMAC using (extractable) **FE for inner products (IPFE)**.
- Instantiate with **DDH-based** (extractable) **IPFE** by [AgrLibSte16@Crypto]

\* Since we need the “extractable” feature, the LWE-based IPFE of [AgrLibSte16] cannot be used.

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## Use FE for inner products!

- ① Modify SigEval to output an encryption:

$\text{ct} \leftarrow \text{IPFE}.\text{Enc}(\text{mpk}, (c_1, \dots, c_D))$

- ② Include  $\text{sk}_{\text{IP}} \leftarrow \text{IPFE}.\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, (s, \dots, s^D))$  in secret key and change VerifyEval to check:

$$f(\mathbf{r}) \stackrel{?}{=} z + \text{IPFE}.\text{Dec}(\text{sk}_{\text{IP}}, \text{ct})$$

# Questions??

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## Designated-Verifier Pseudorandom Generators, and their Applications

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## Reusable Designated-Verifier NIZKs for all NP from CDH

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