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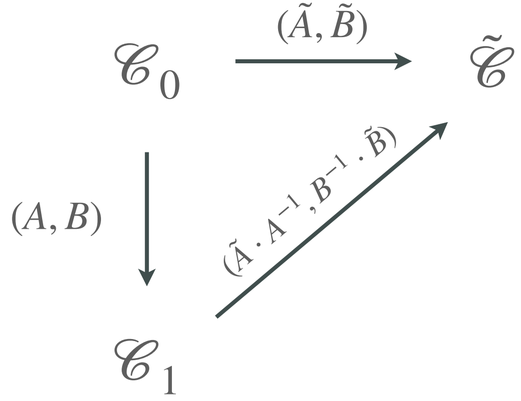

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CHALLENGE

- Pick a bit $b \in \{0,1\}$

RESPONSE

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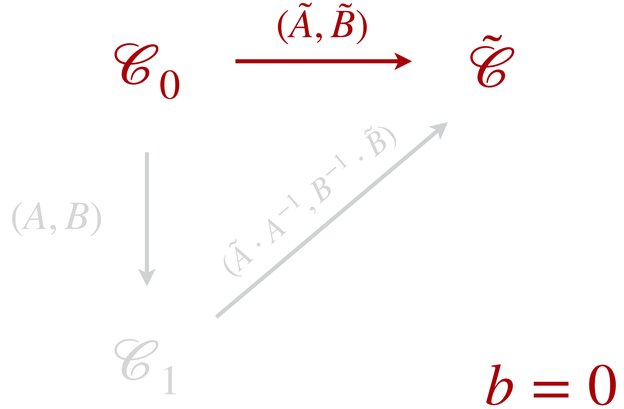

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