

hashes, MACs, and diffie-hellman

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 - problem with developing your own crypto

general questions, concerns, etc.

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reminder: cryptography

- why?
 - secure communication
- goals:
 - confidentiality: adversary cannot read messages
 - integrity: adversary cannot change messages
 - authenticity: message is from the claimed author

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 - correctness, efficiency, security—remember these?

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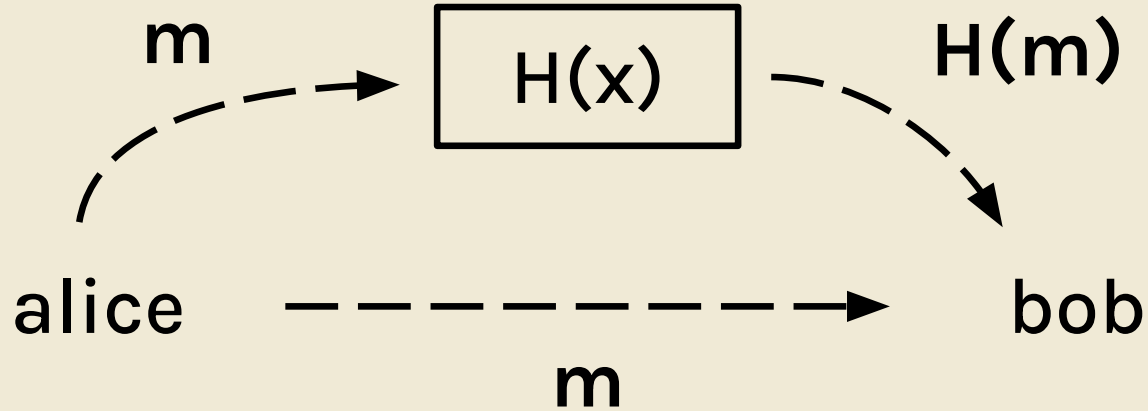
hashes in real life

- MD5 (128 bits): broken
- SHA-1 (160 bits): broken
- SHA-2 (256, 384, 512 bits): some variants vulnerable to length extension attack
- SHA-3/Keccak (256, 384, 512 bits): current standard

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- can hashes provide integrity?
 - if the sent hash remains unmodified

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if the message is tampered with (and $H(m)$ isn't),
Bob can compute $H(m)$ himself and make sure it
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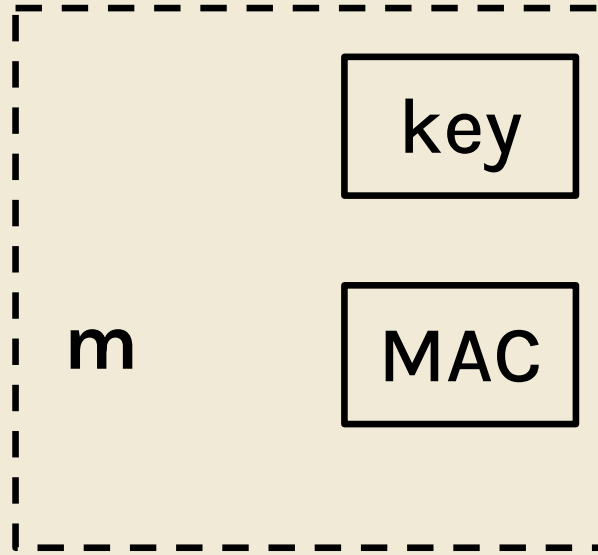
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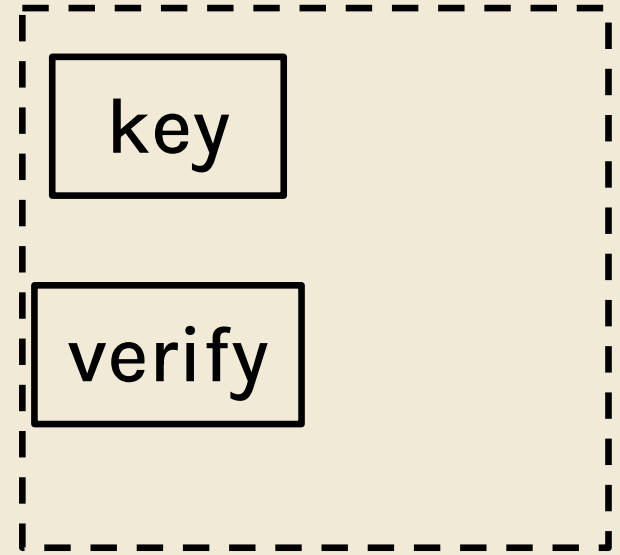
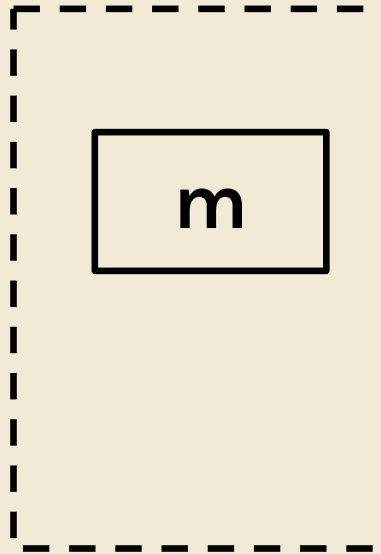
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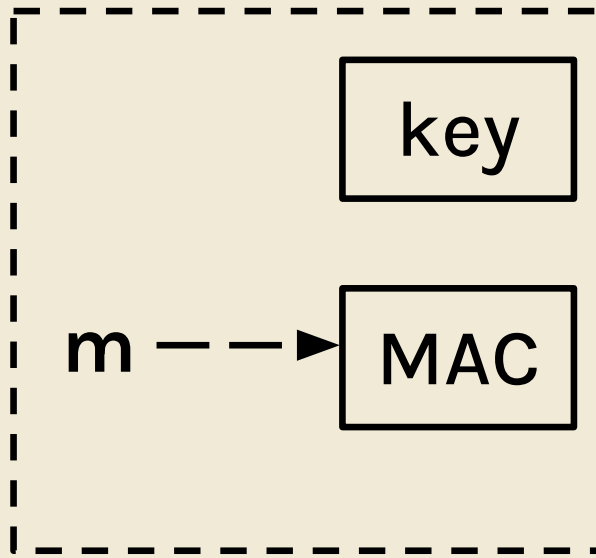
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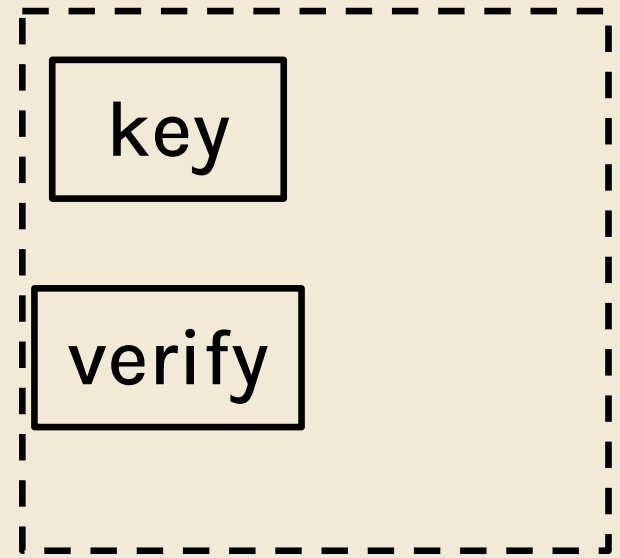
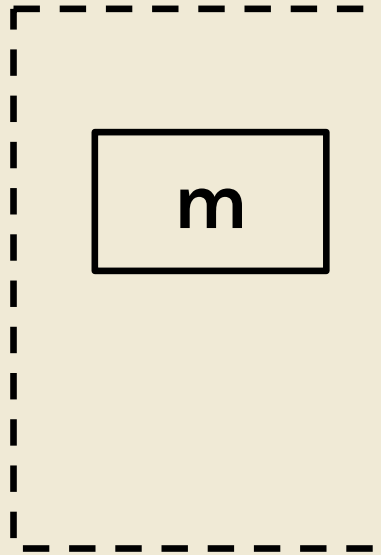
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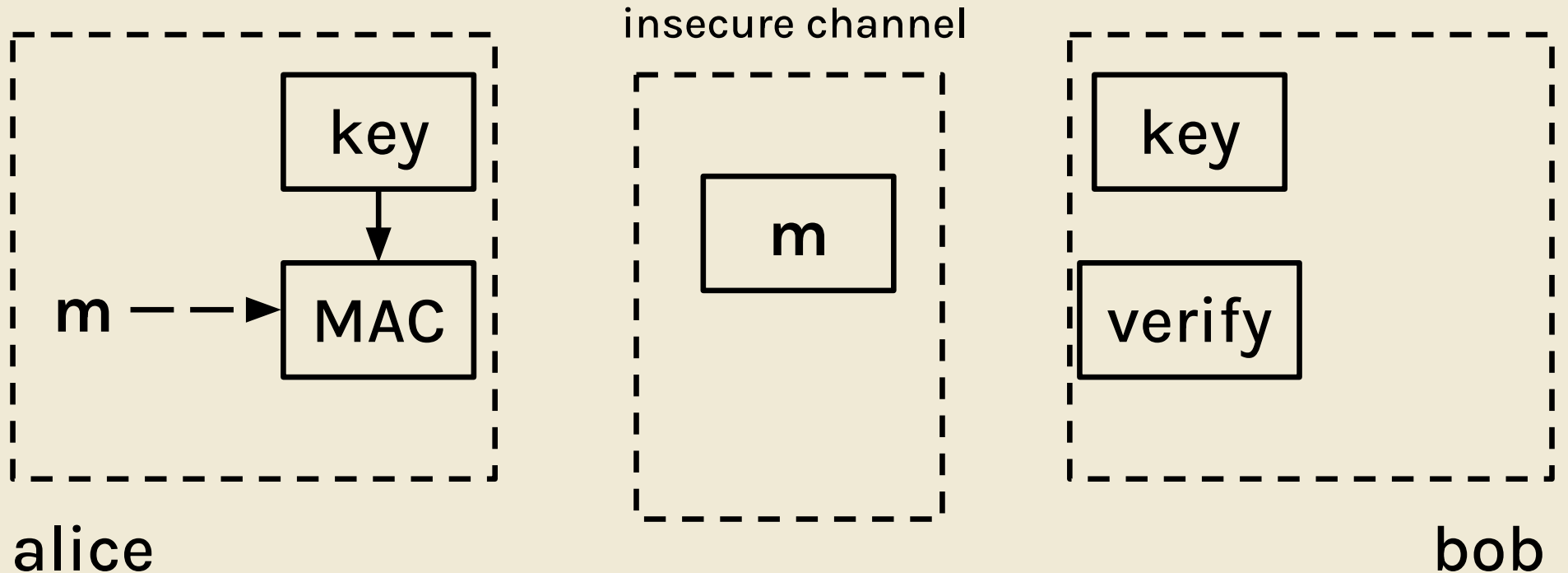
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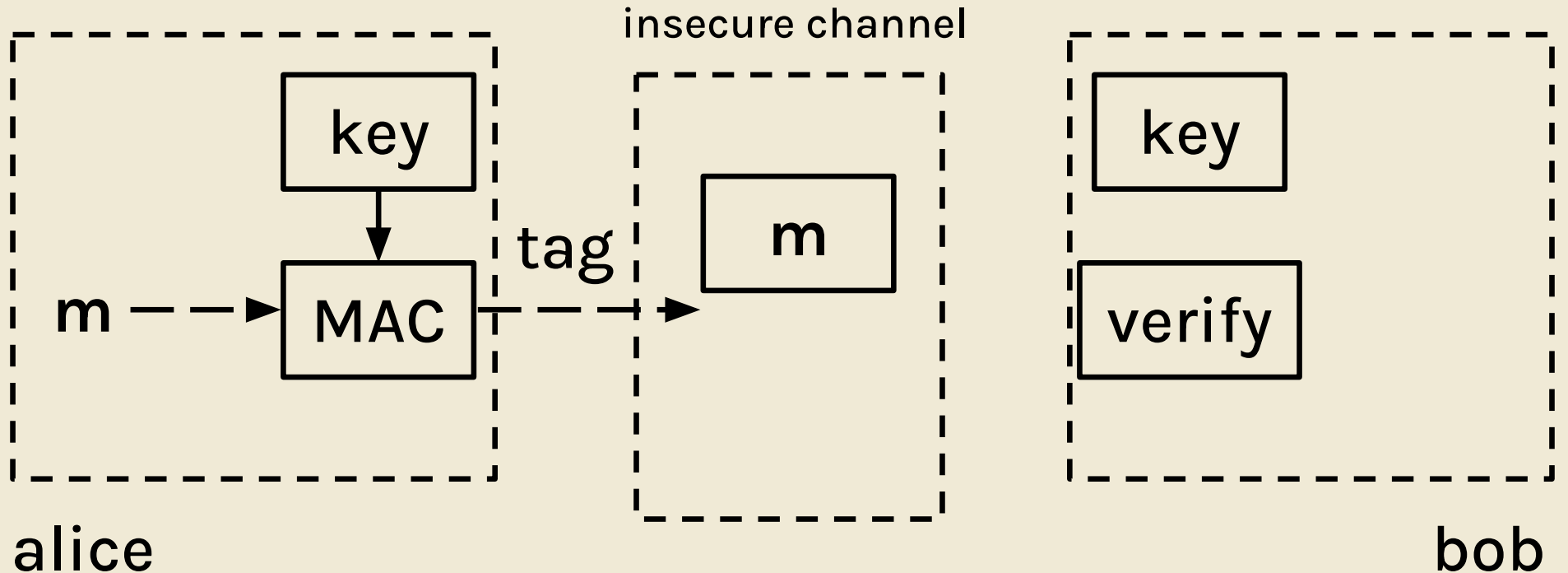
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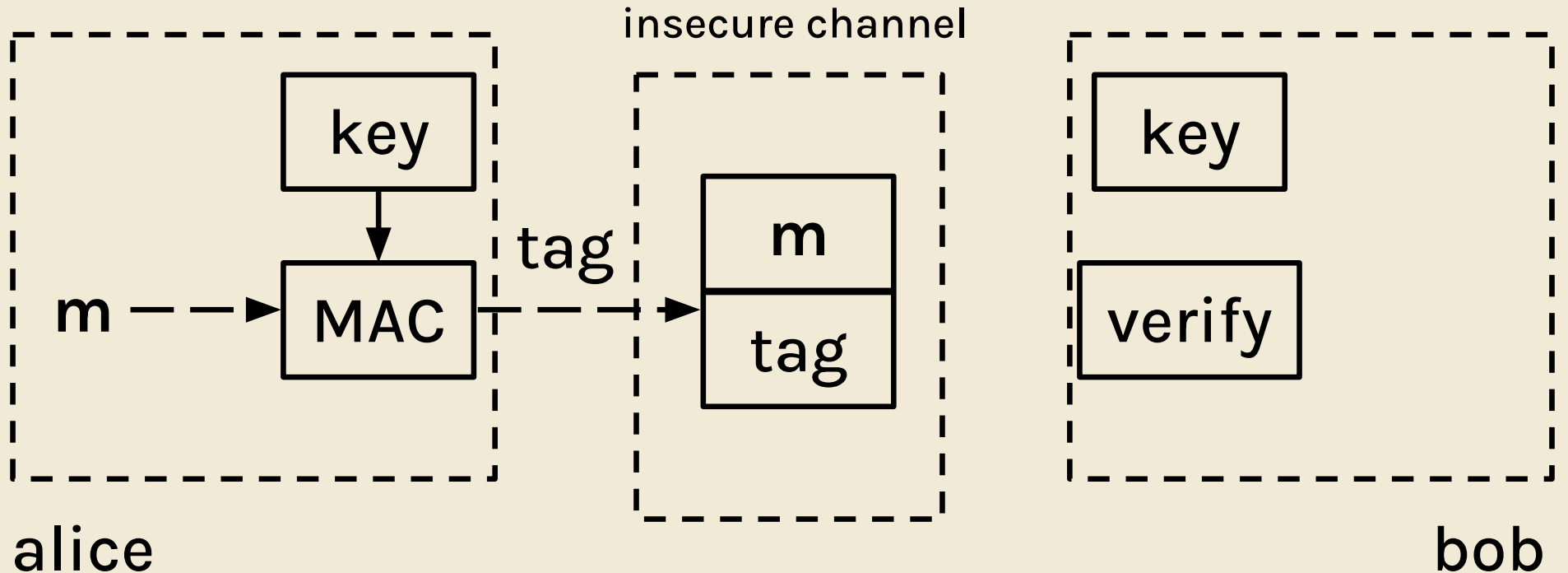
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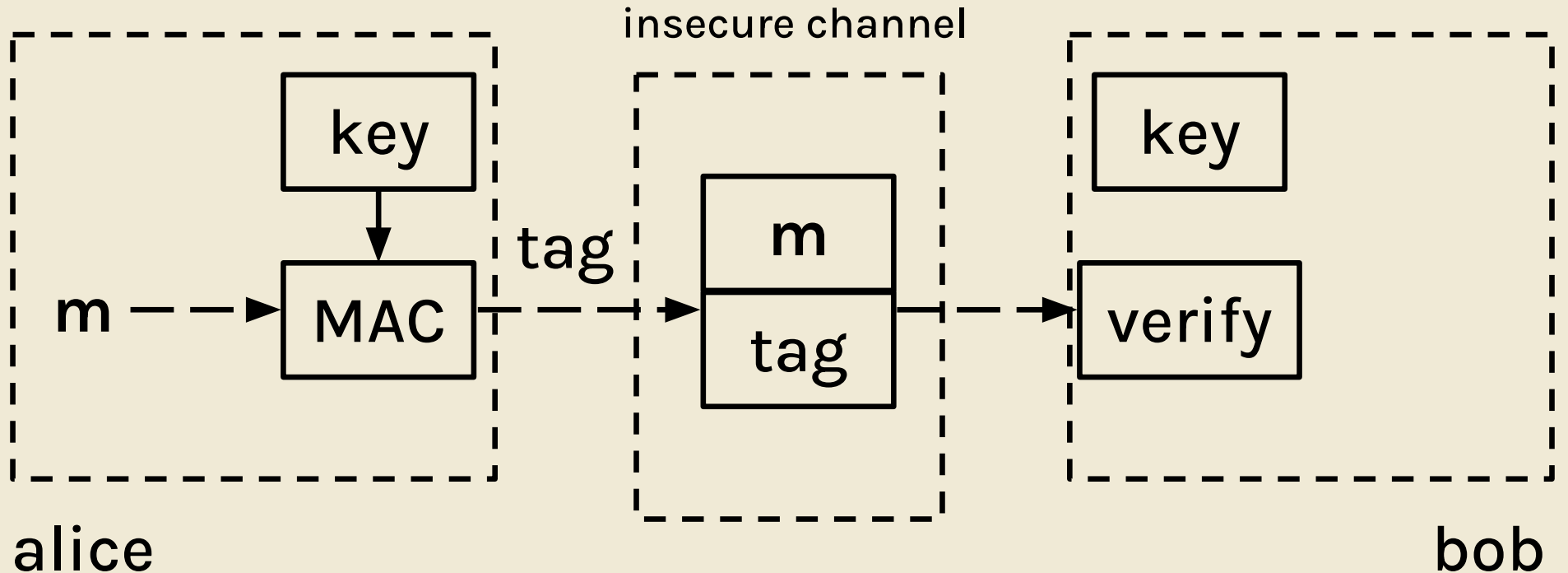
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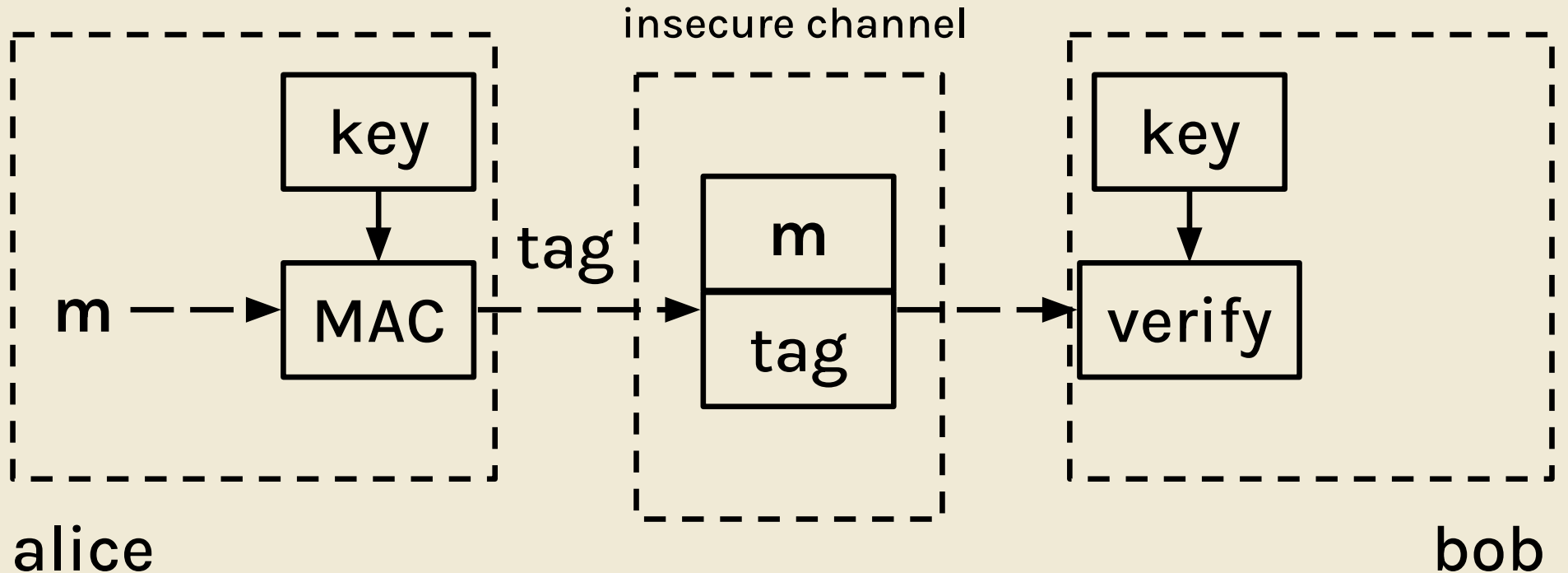
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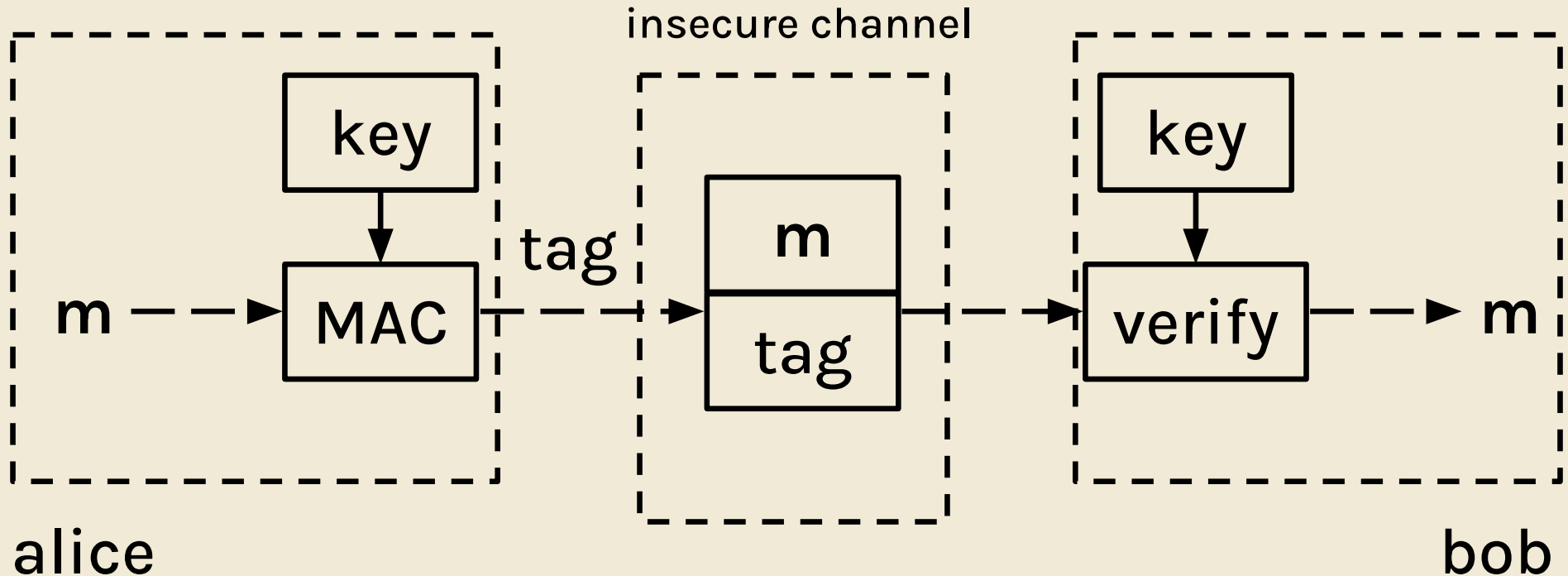
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- $\text{KeyGen}() \rightarrow K$: generate a key K
- $\text{MAC}(K, M) \rightarrow T$: generate tag T for message M using key K
 - inputs: secret key and arbitrary-length message
 - output: a fixed-length tag on the message

properties of MACs

- correctness: determinism
- efficiency: computing MACs should be efficient
- security: EU-CPA (existentially unforgeable under chosen plaintext attack)
 - attacker cannot create a valid tag on a message without the key

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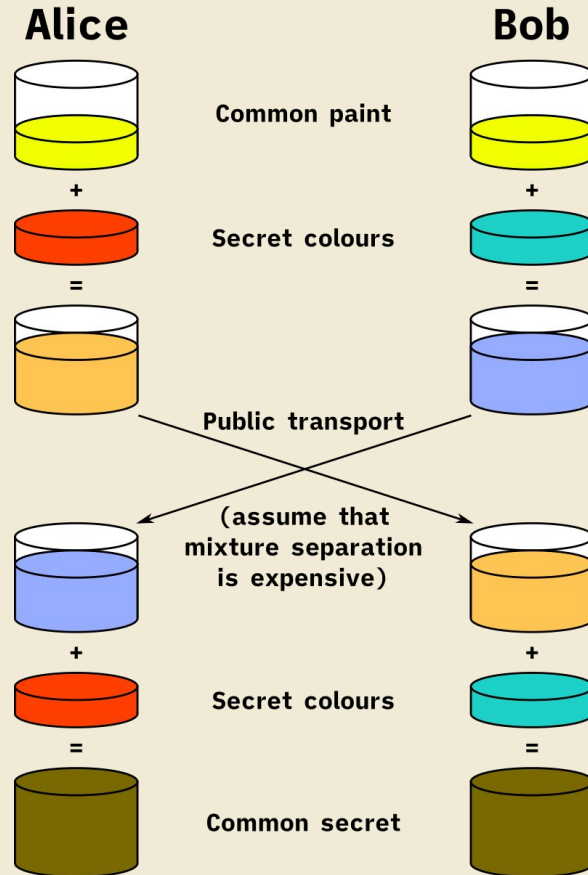
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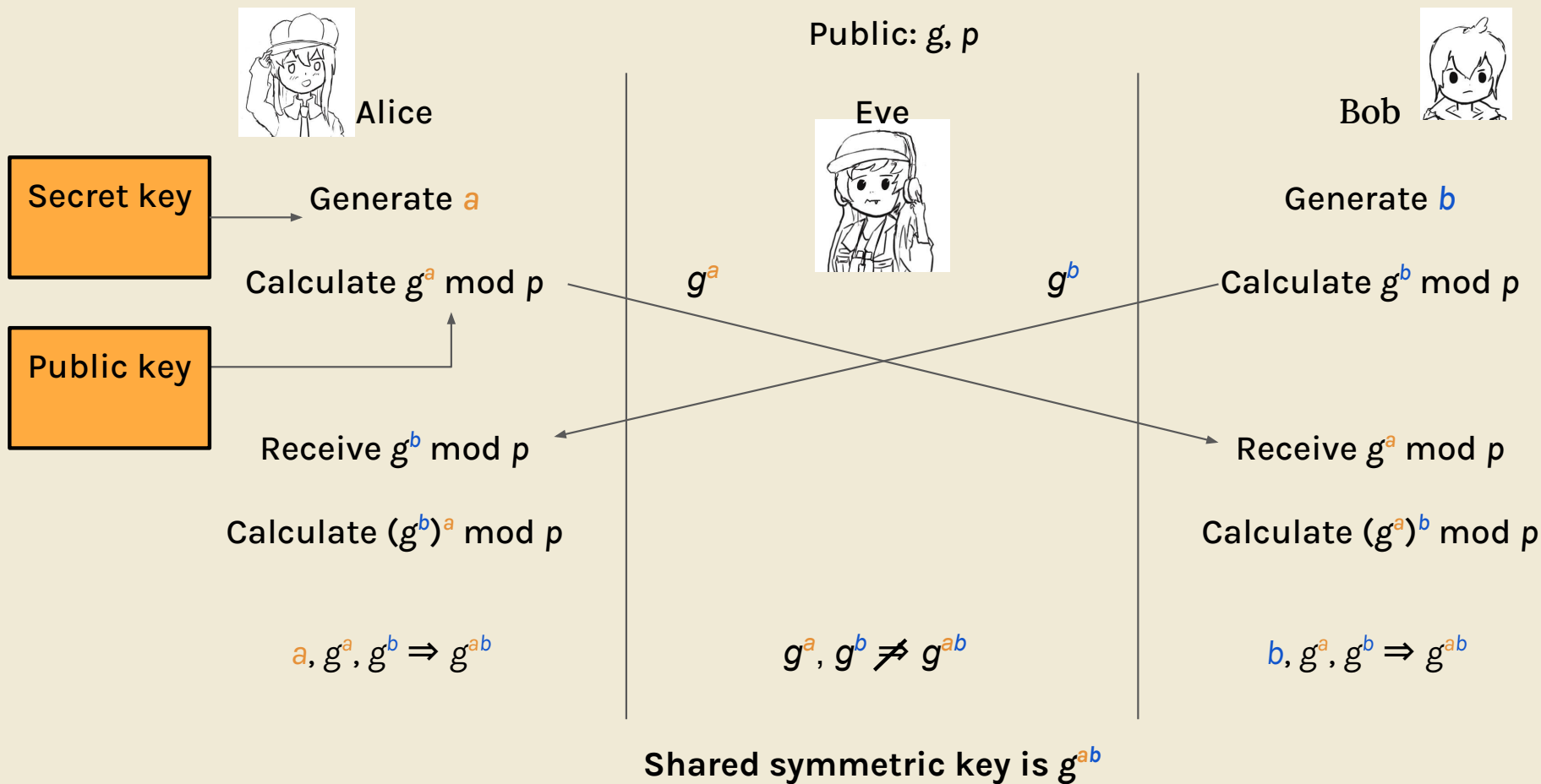
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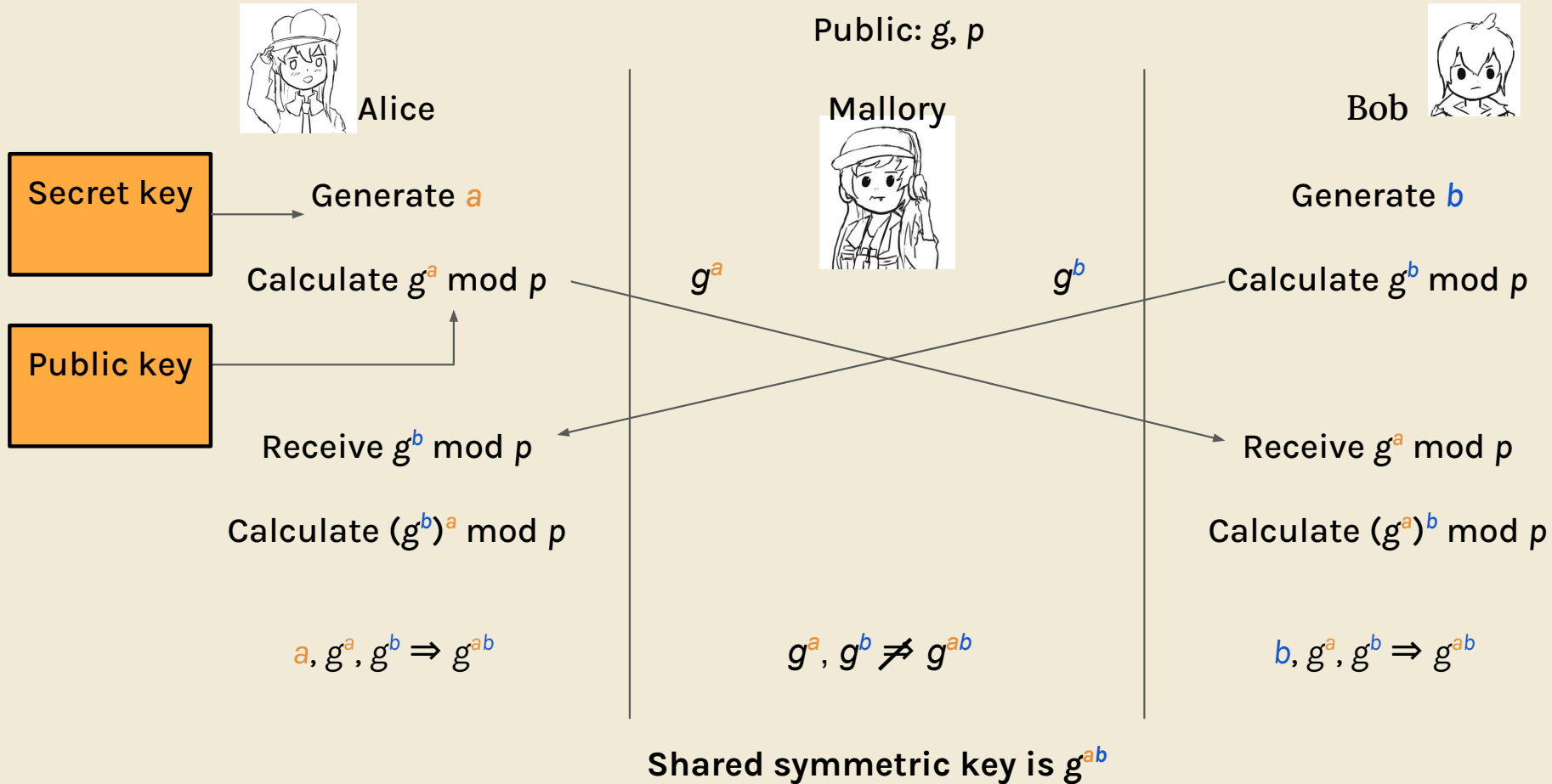
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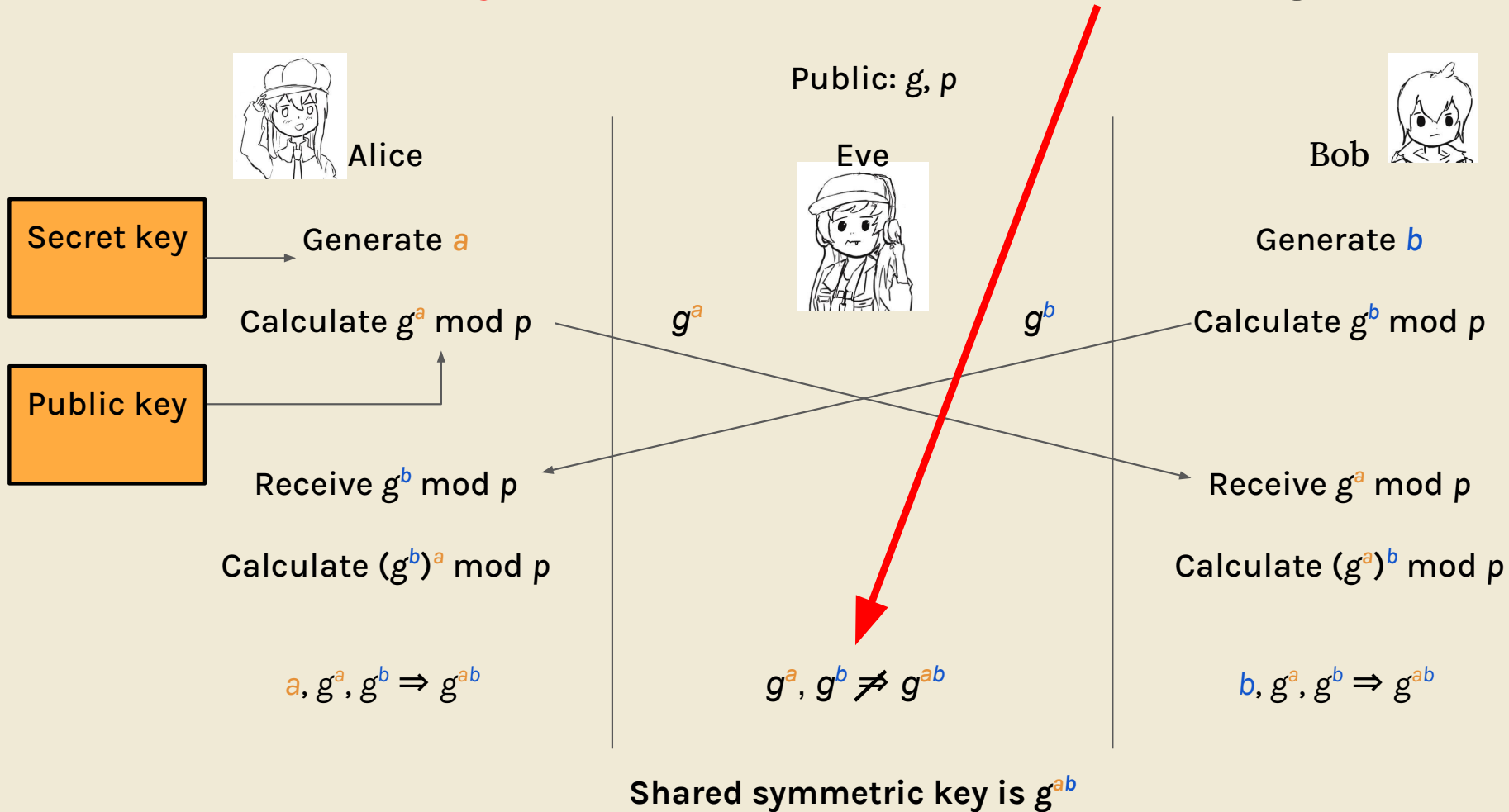
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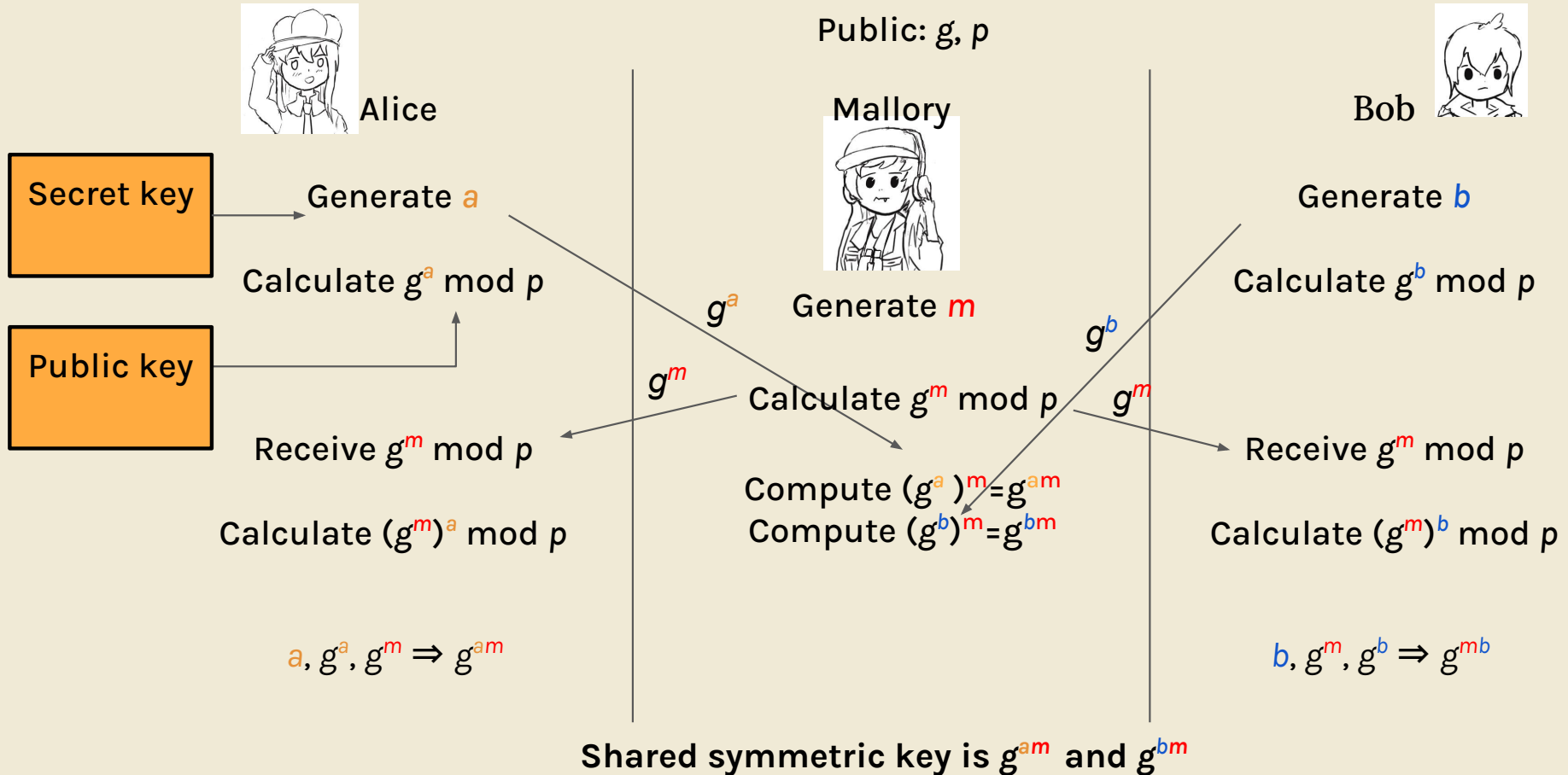
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worksheet
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