

Public-Key Generation with Verifiable Randomness

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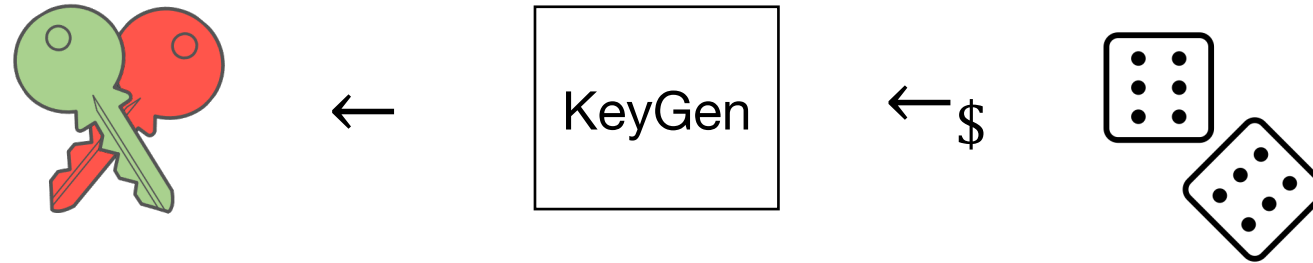
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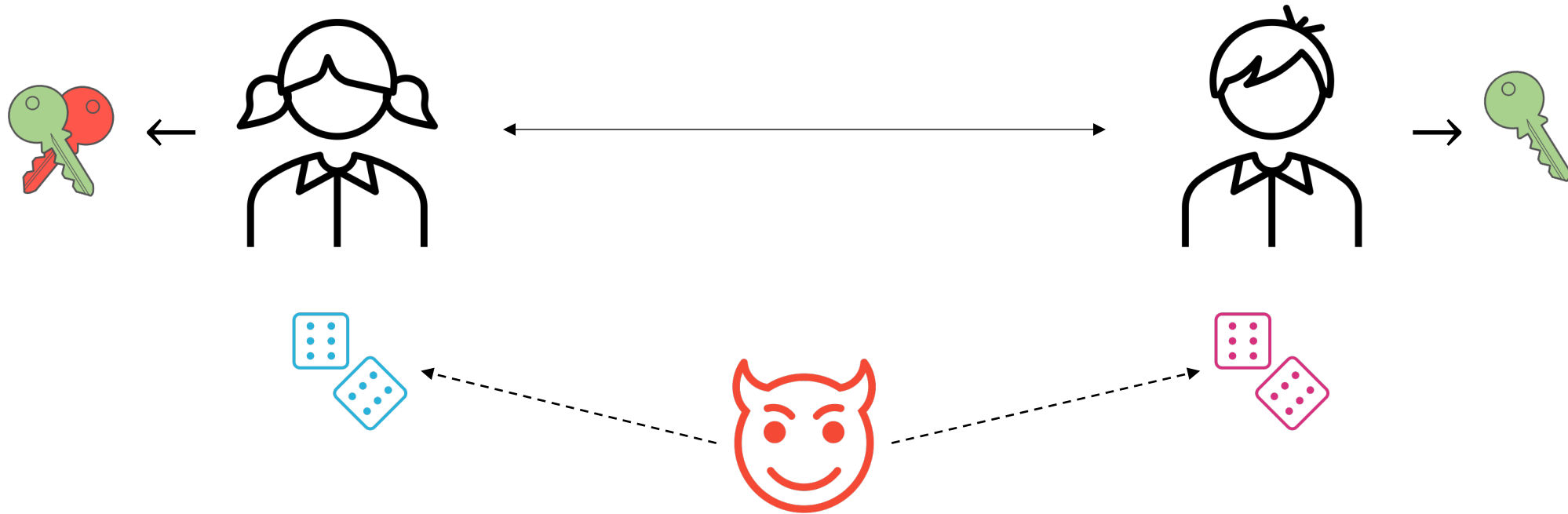
Randomness in Key Generation



- True randomness (if it exists) is expensive
- [LHABKW12] 0.5% of RSA keys on the internet shared common primes
- [HDWH12] cause: low-entropy TLS and SSH keys generated at boot time
- [NSSKNM17] ROCA vulnerability: efficiently recovers (factoring-based) private keys from public ones – Estonian and Slovakian smartcards compromised

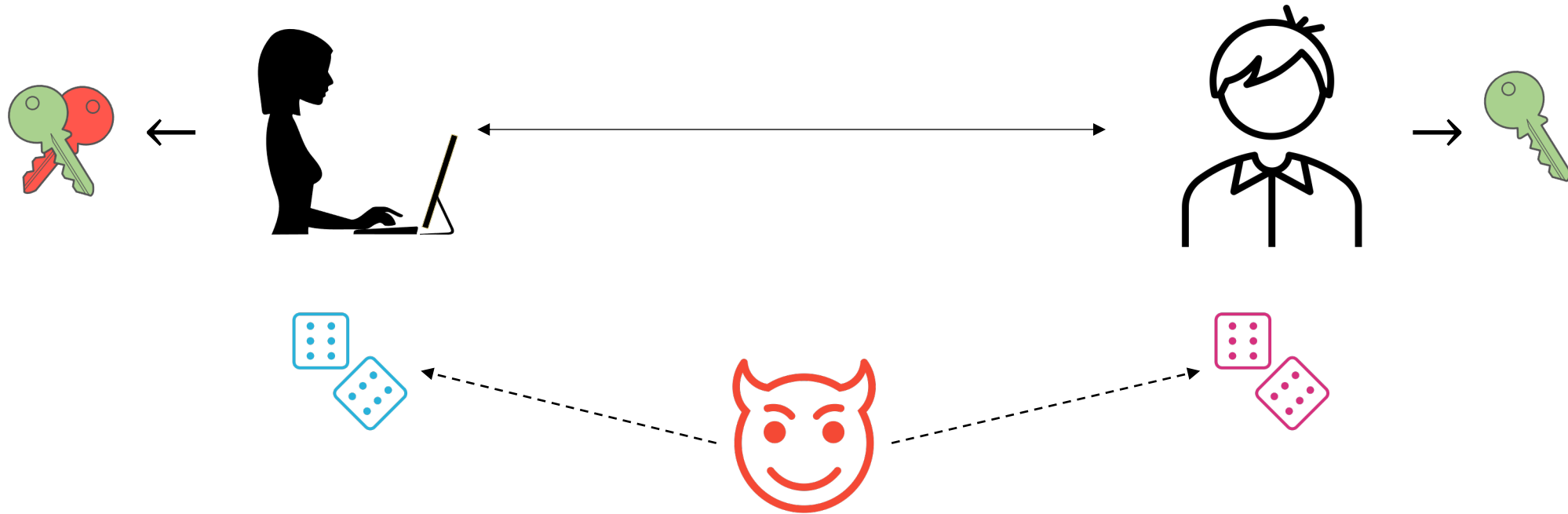
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Juels and Guajardo, PKC 2002



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Goal: certify to the *end user* that her key was generated with high-entropy randomness



How to Certify Randomness in KeyGen – Requirements

1. Alice has high-entropy randomness \Rightarrow Bob has no info about sk
2. Alice or Bob has high-entropy randomness \Rightarrow No adversary (other than Bob) has more info about sk than with KG
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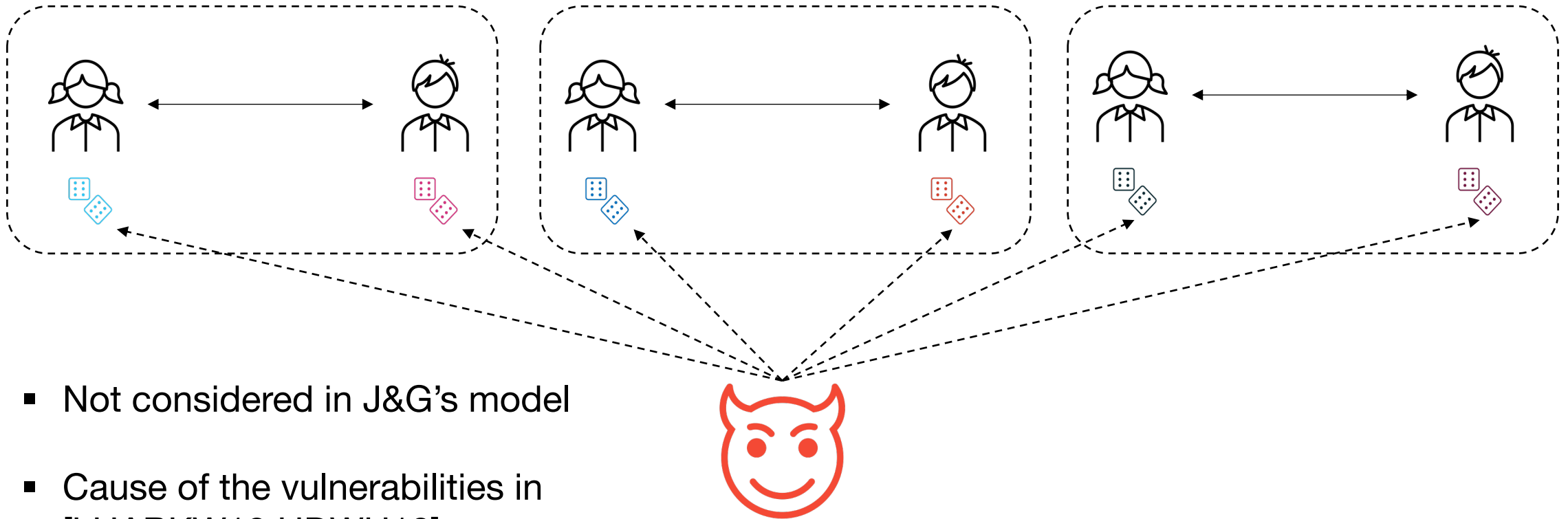
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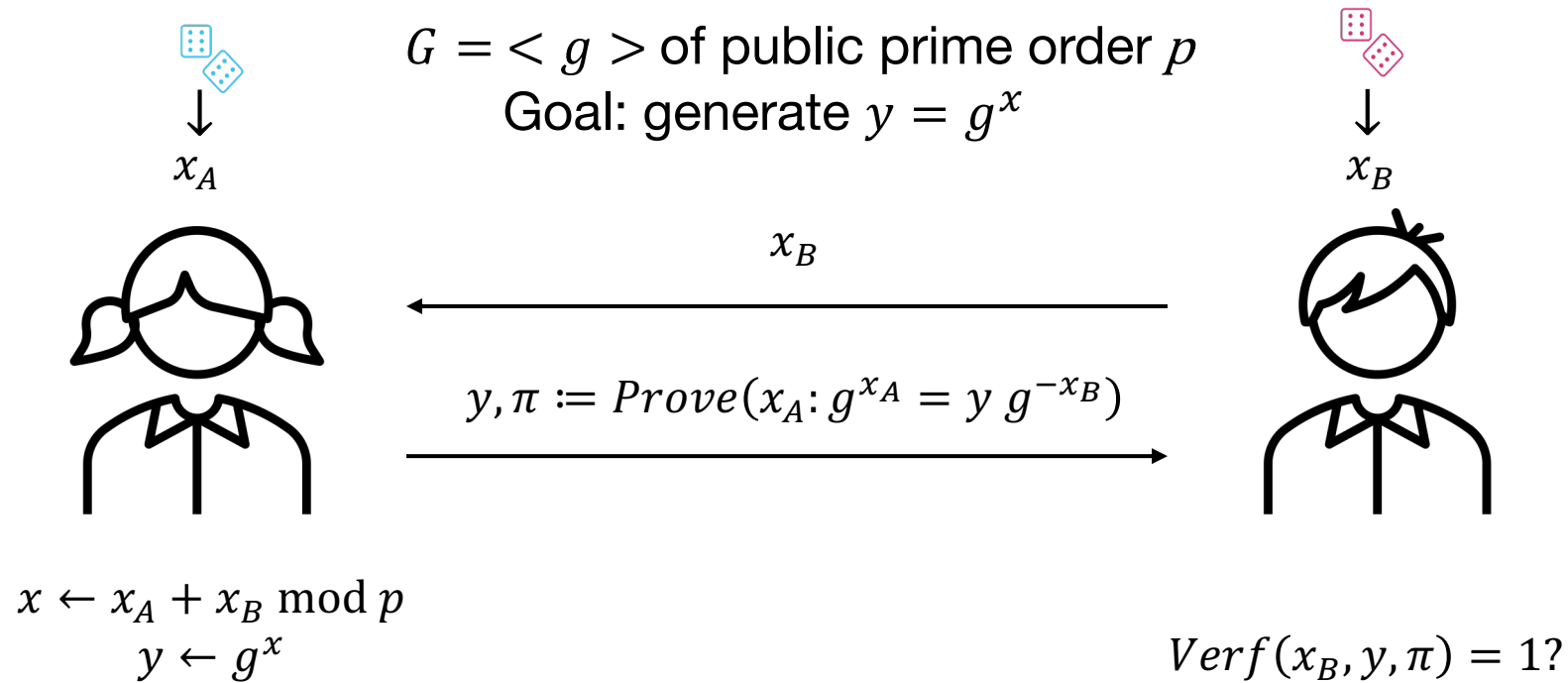
With J&G's protocol, $\log(\lambda)$ bit-capacity channels possible

Multi-Sessions with Correlated Randomness

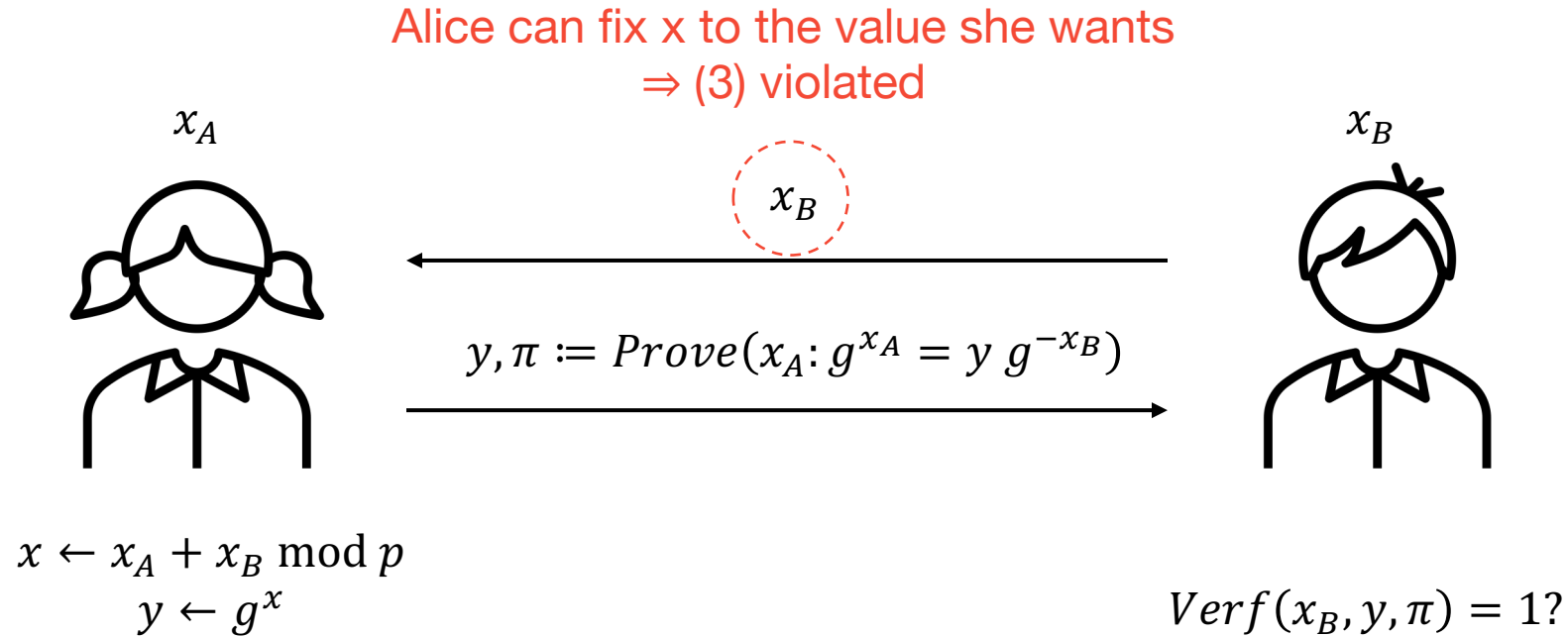


- Not considered in J&G's model
- Cause of the vulnerabilities in [LHABKW12,HDWH12]

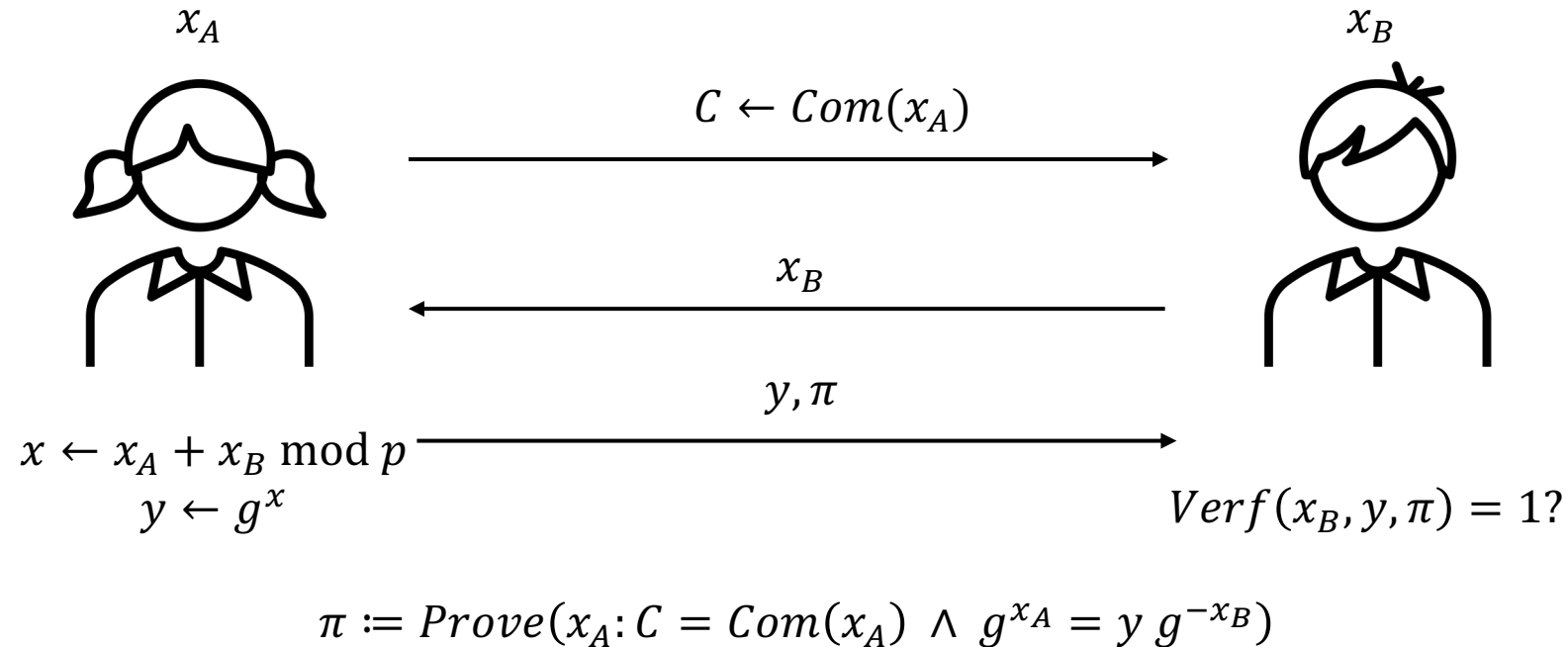
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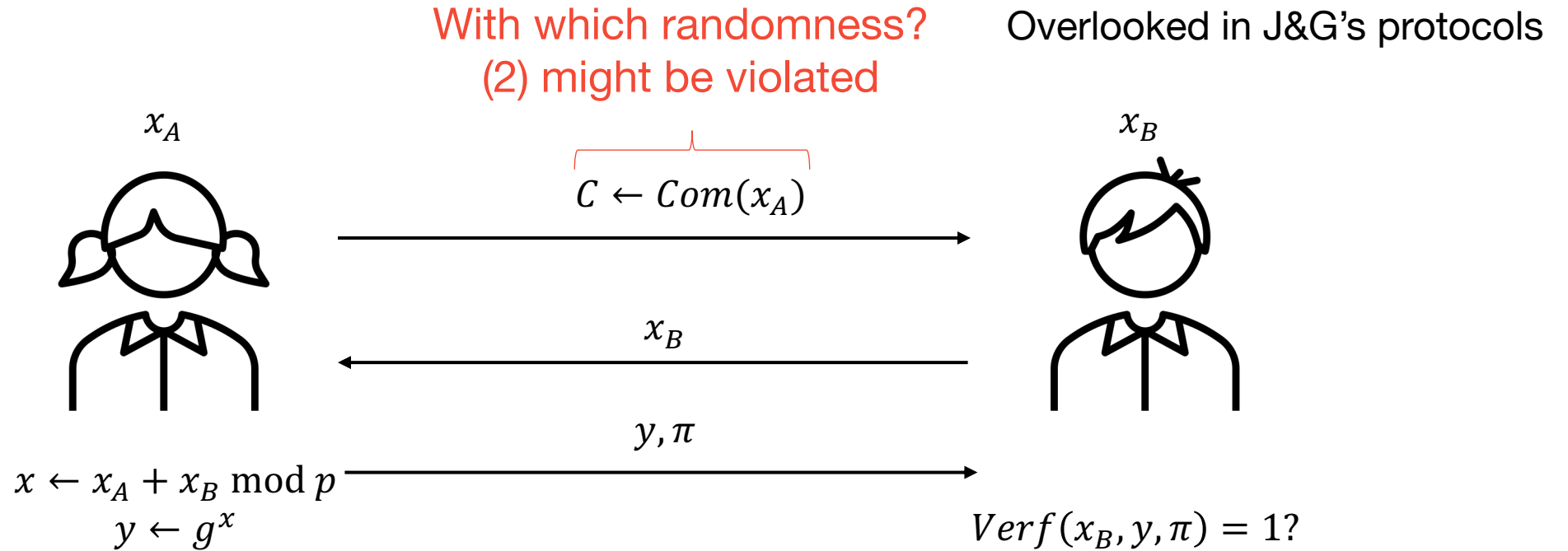
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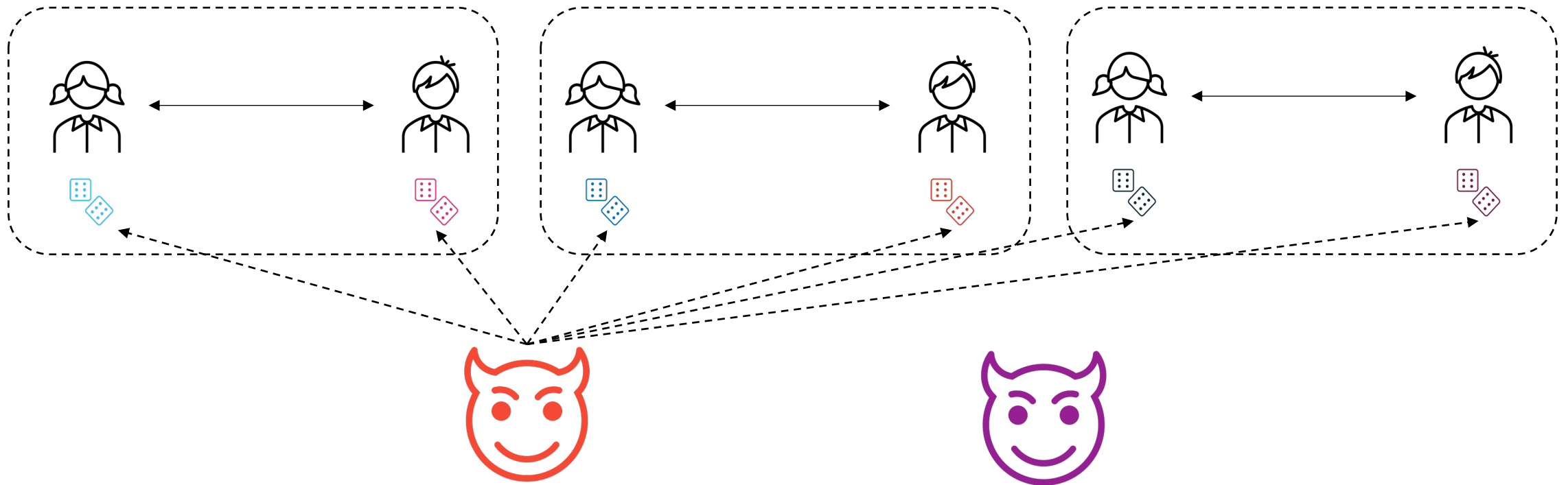
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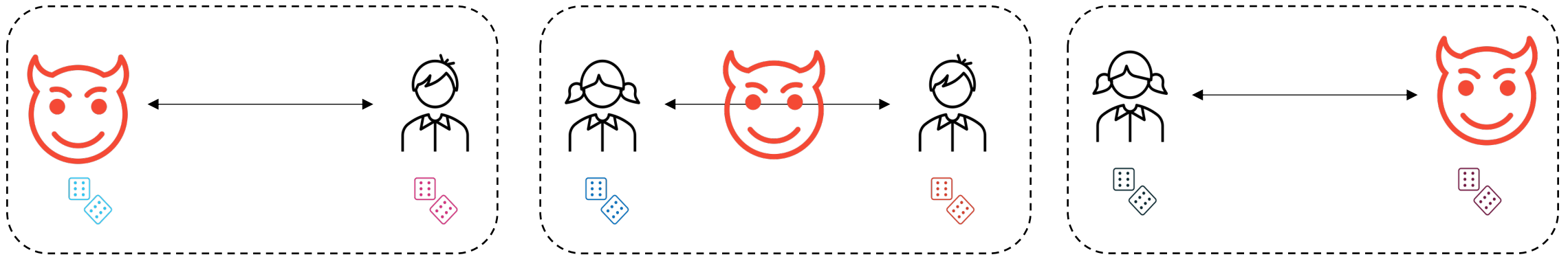
$$\pi := \text{Prove}(x_A: C = \text{Com}(x_A) \wedge g^{x_A} = y g^{-x_B})$$

With which randomness?
(2) might be violated

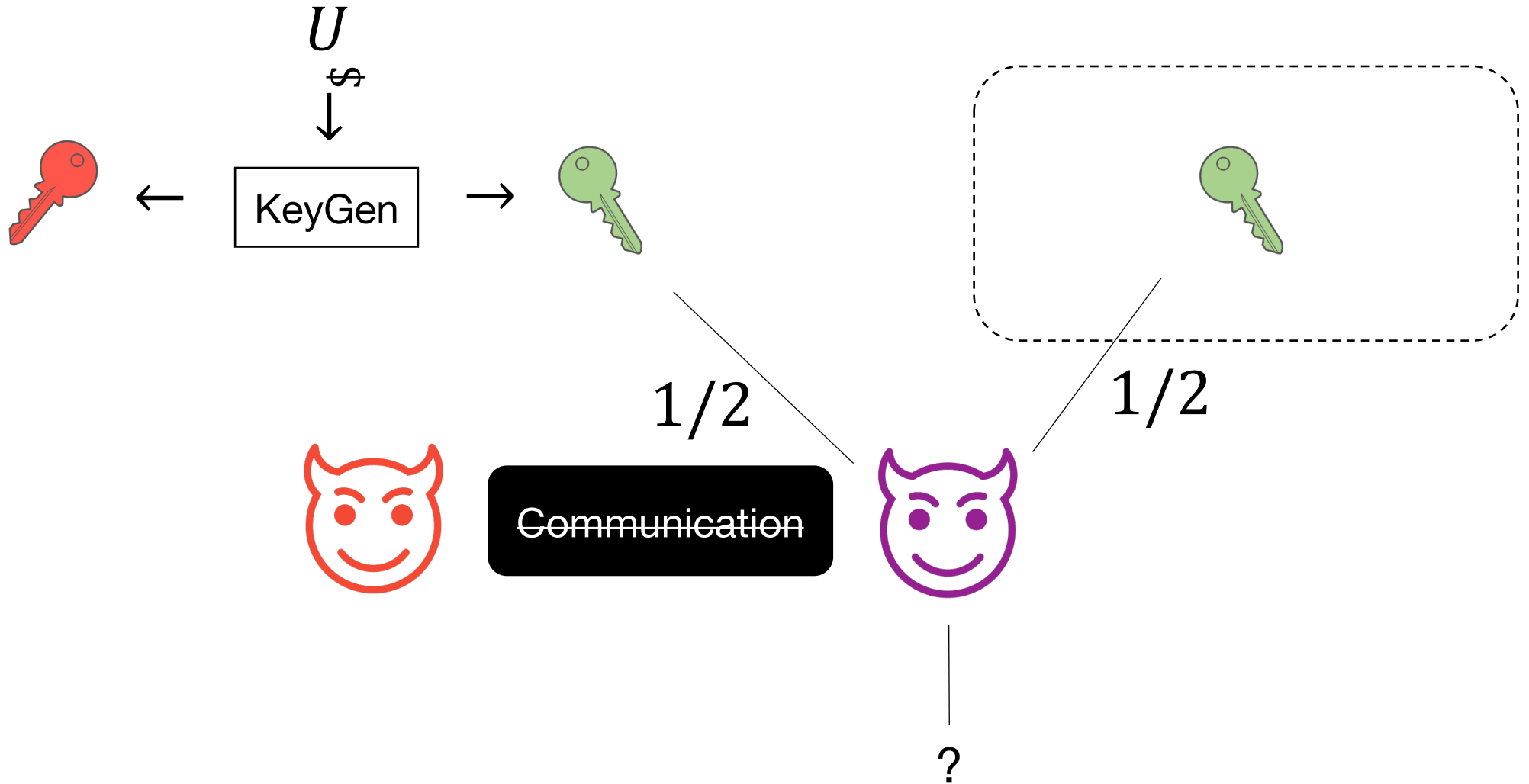
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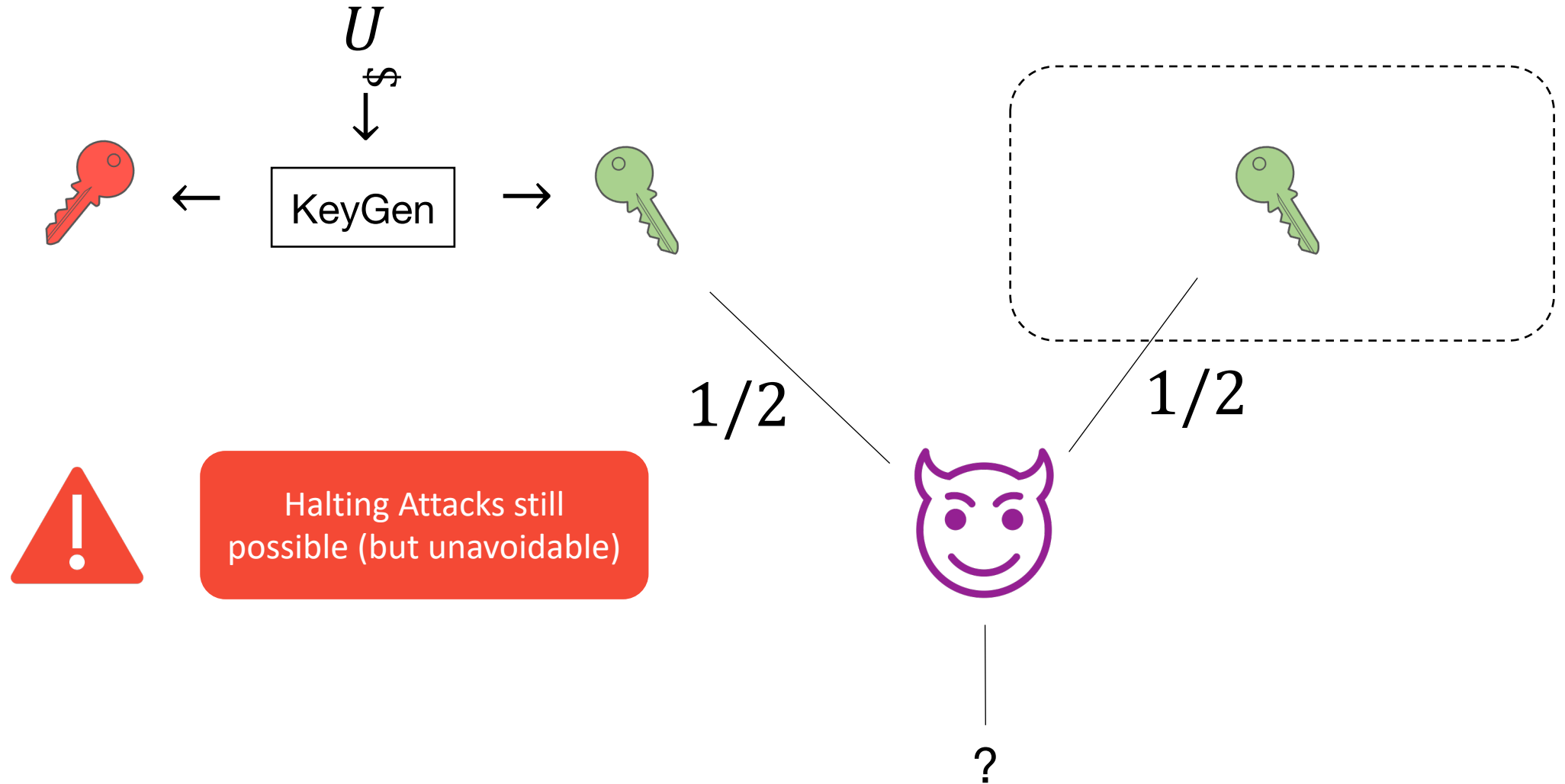
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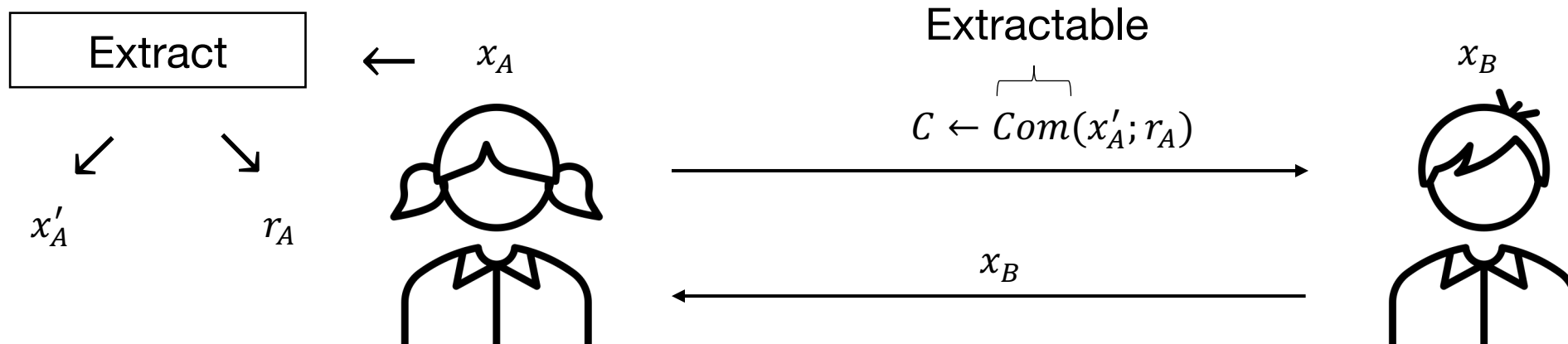


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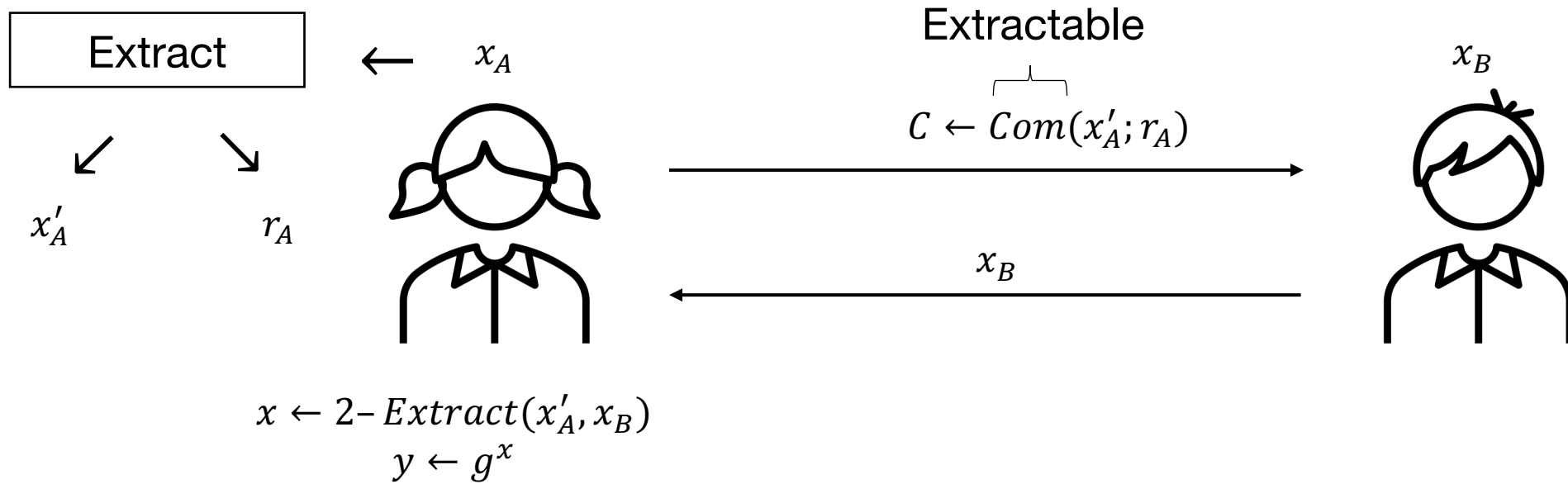
$G = \langle g \rangle$ of public prime order p
Goal: generate $y = g^x$



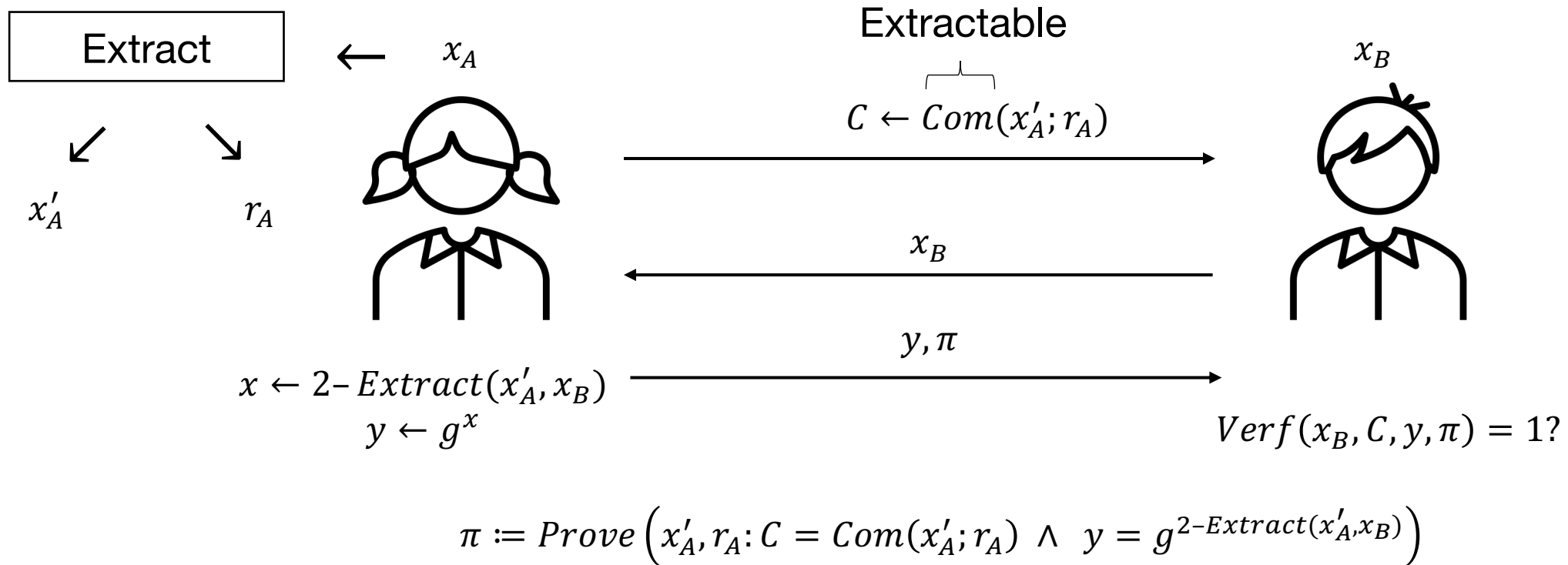
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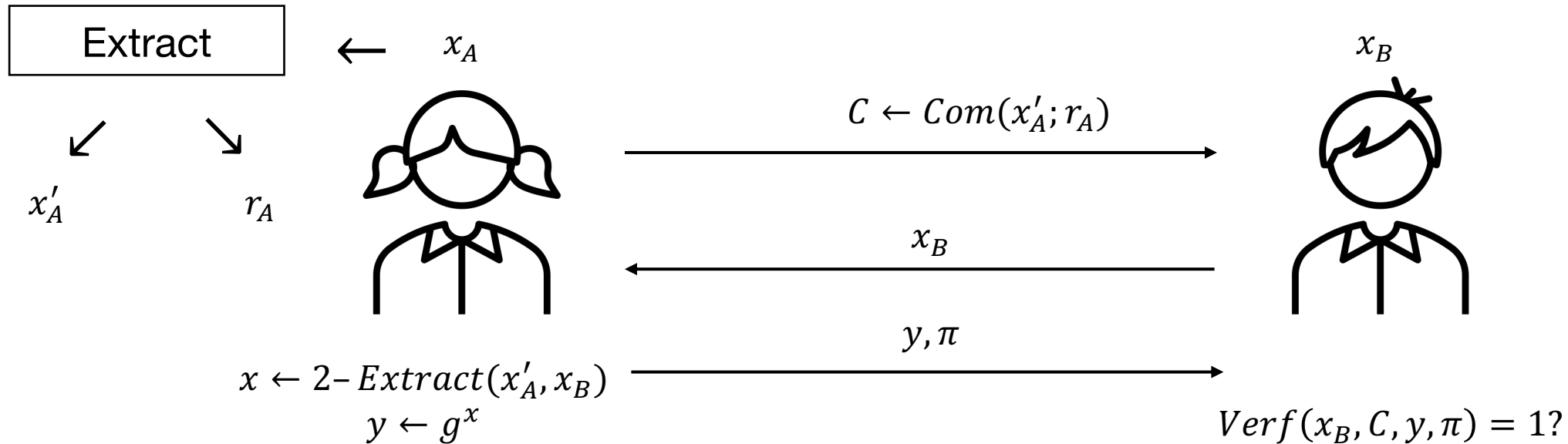


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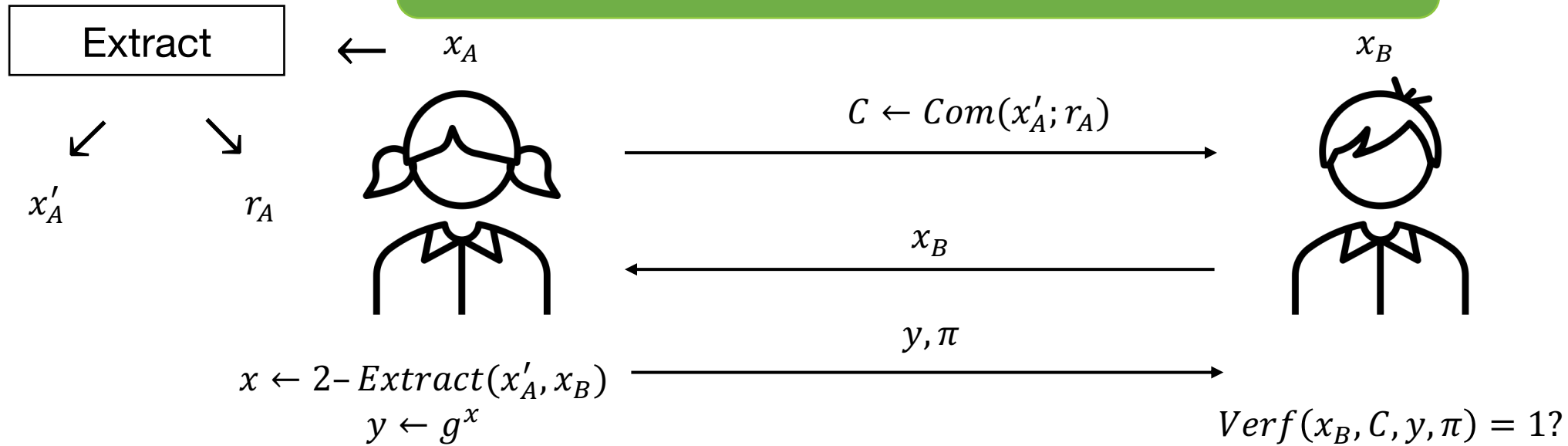
Deterministic extractors for all sources do not exist



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Ideas can be generalized to all probabilistic circuits



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$$[2^{b-1}; 2^b]$$

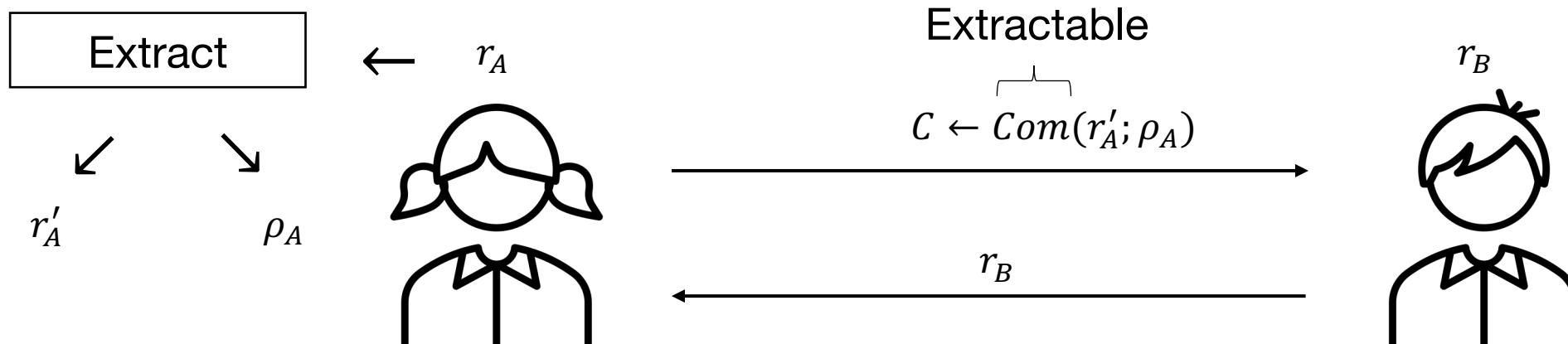
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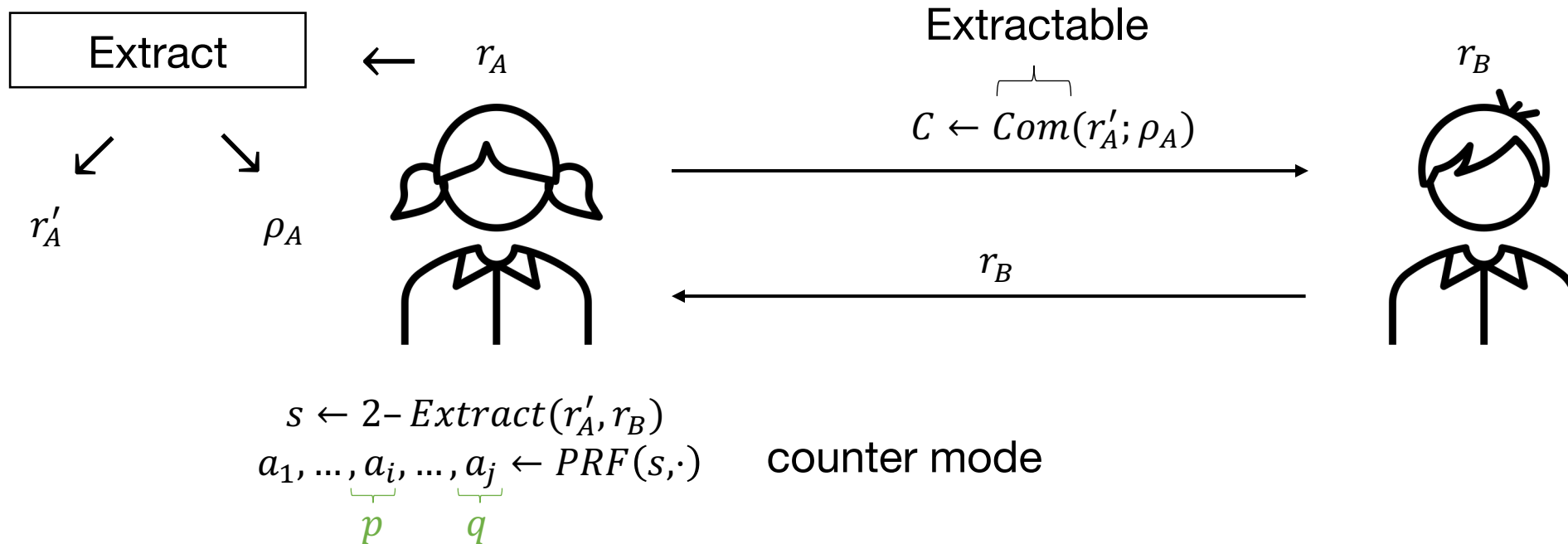
Potentially some additional conditions, e.g., safe

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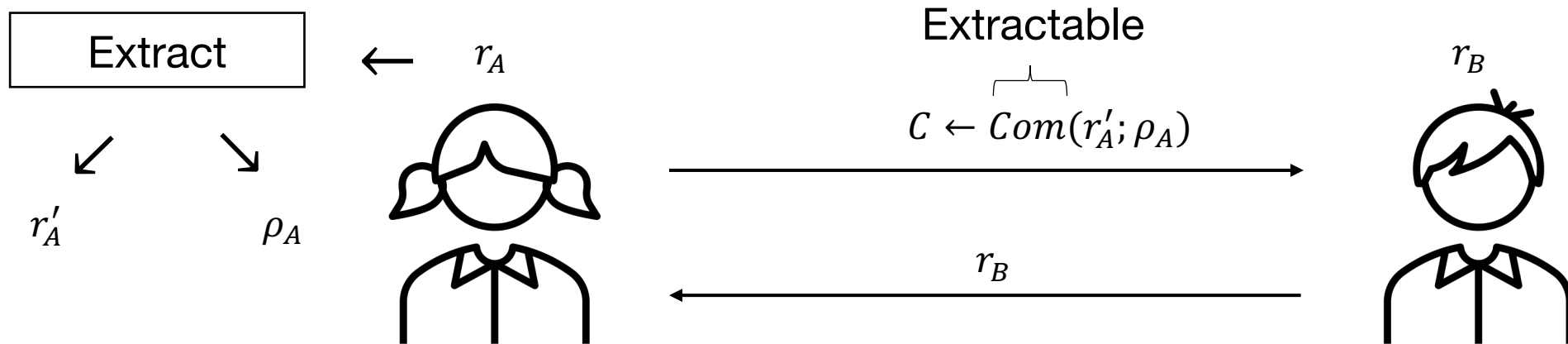


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First two primes that pass *PrimeTest*

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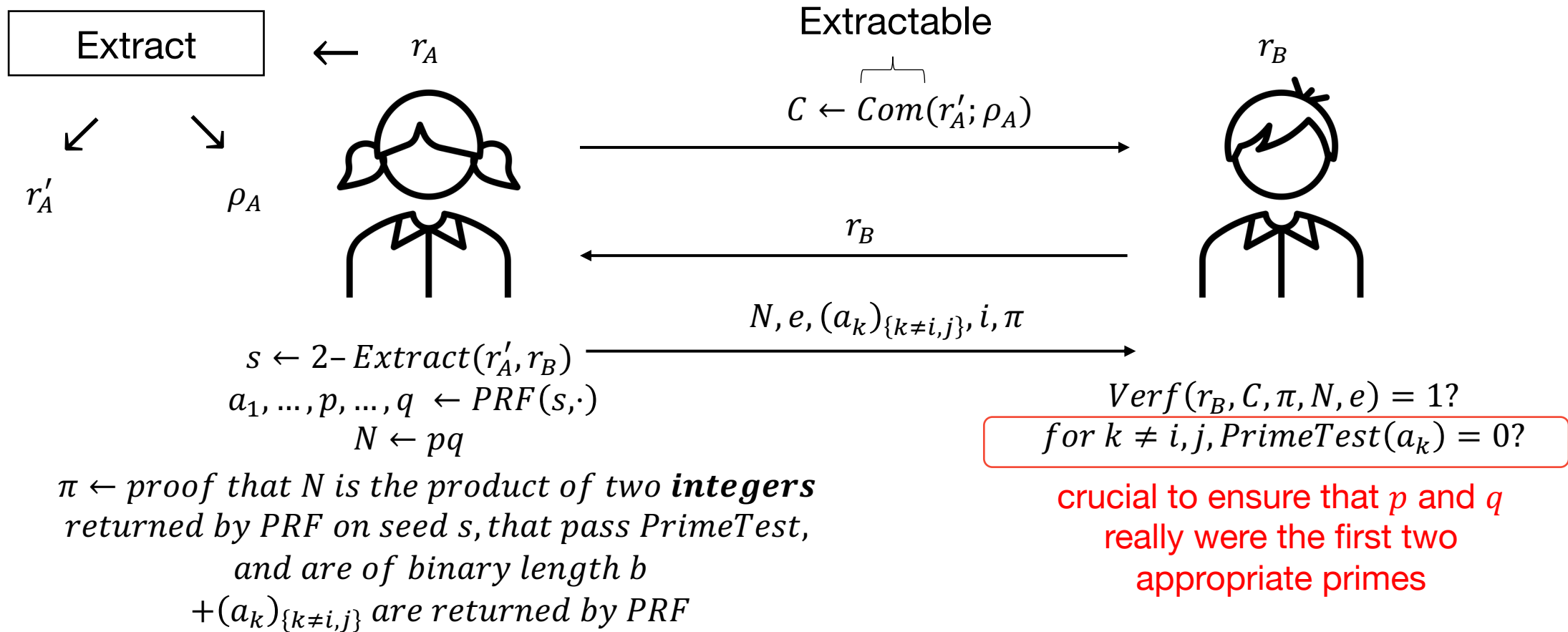
$$s \leftarrow 2\text{-Extract}(r'_A, r_B)$$

$$a_1, \dots, p, \dots, q \leftarrow \text{PRF}(s, \cdot)$$

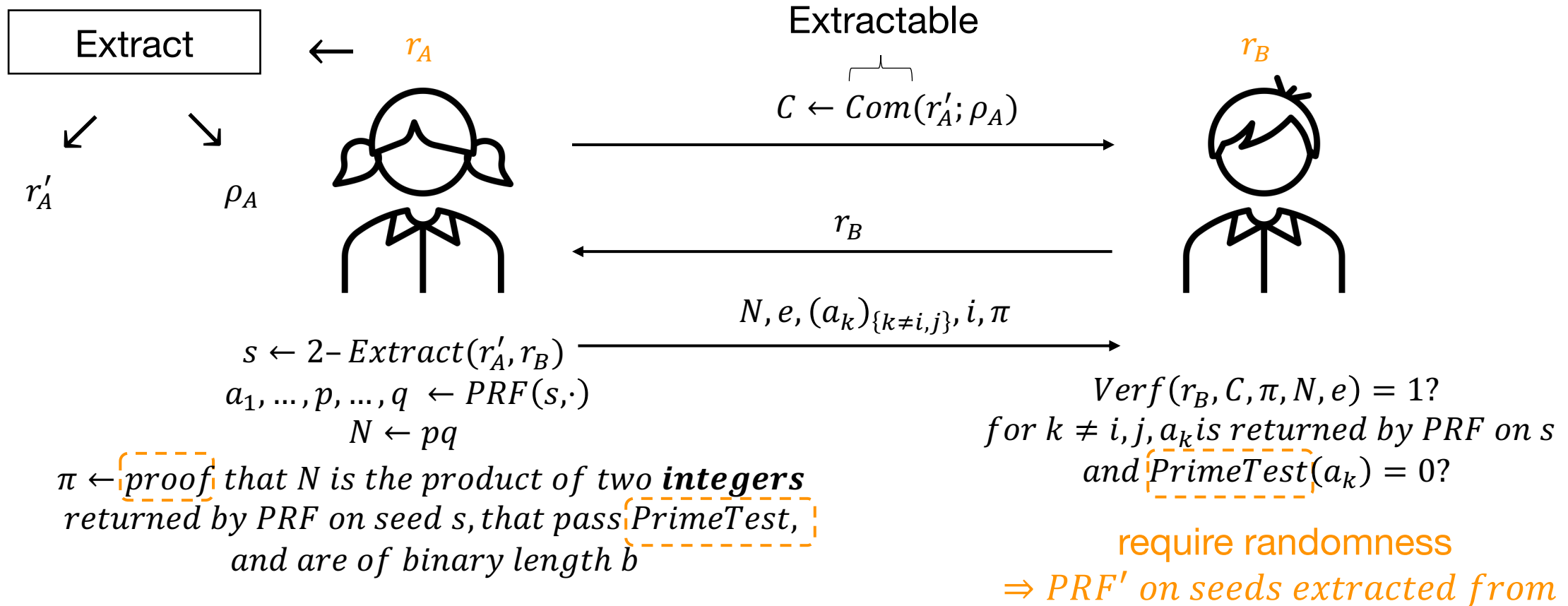
$$N \leftarrow pq$$

$\pi \leftarrow$ proof that N is the product of two **integers**
 returned by PRF on seed s , that pass PrimeTest,
 and are of binary length b

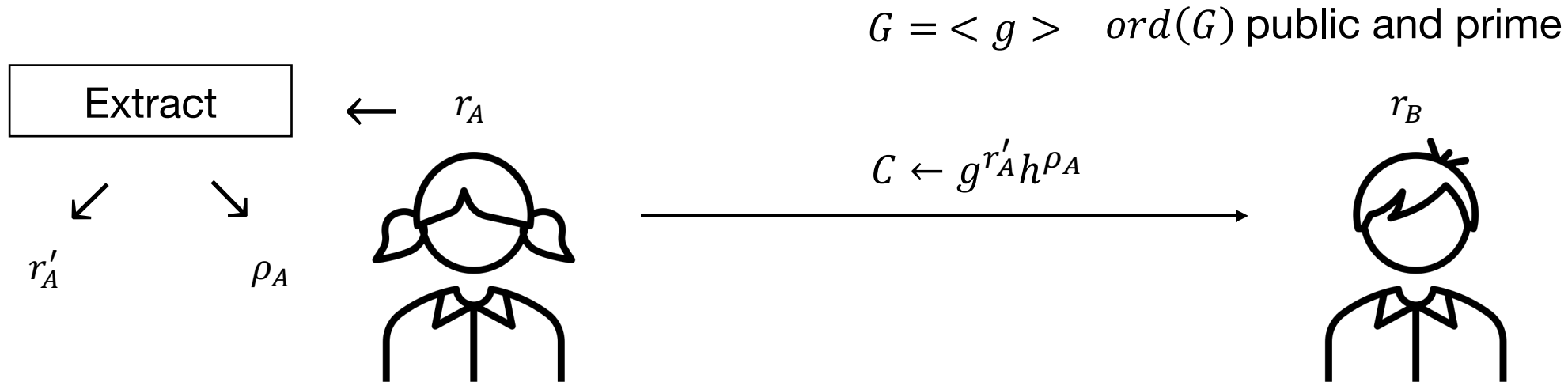
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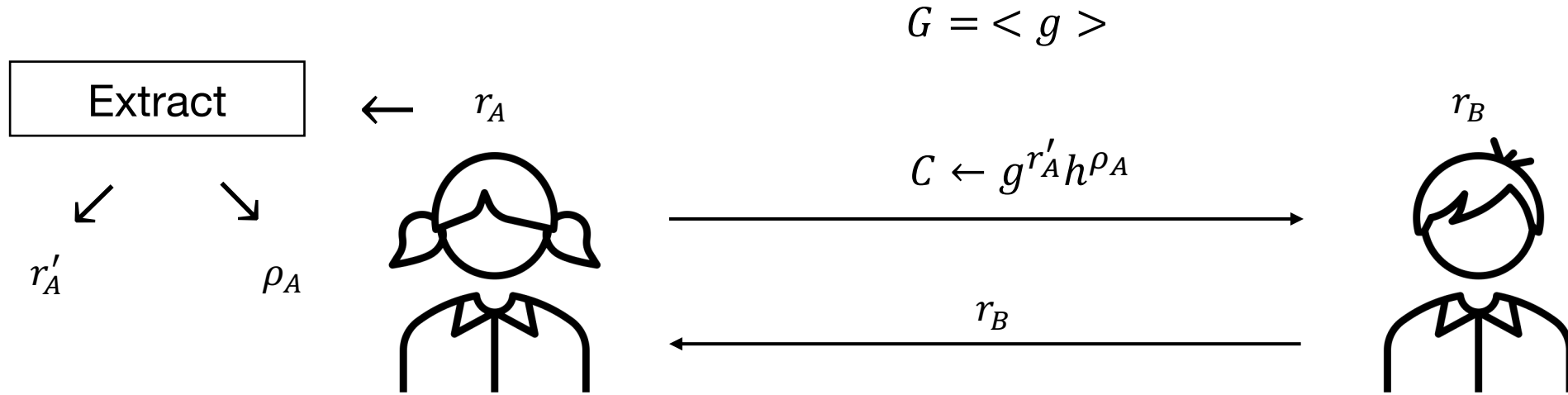
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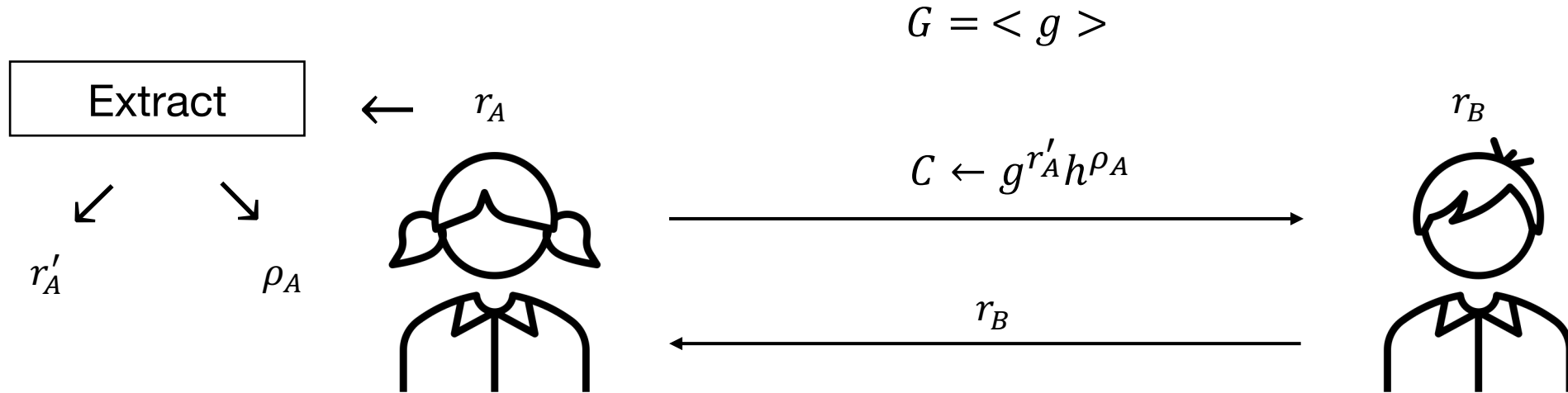


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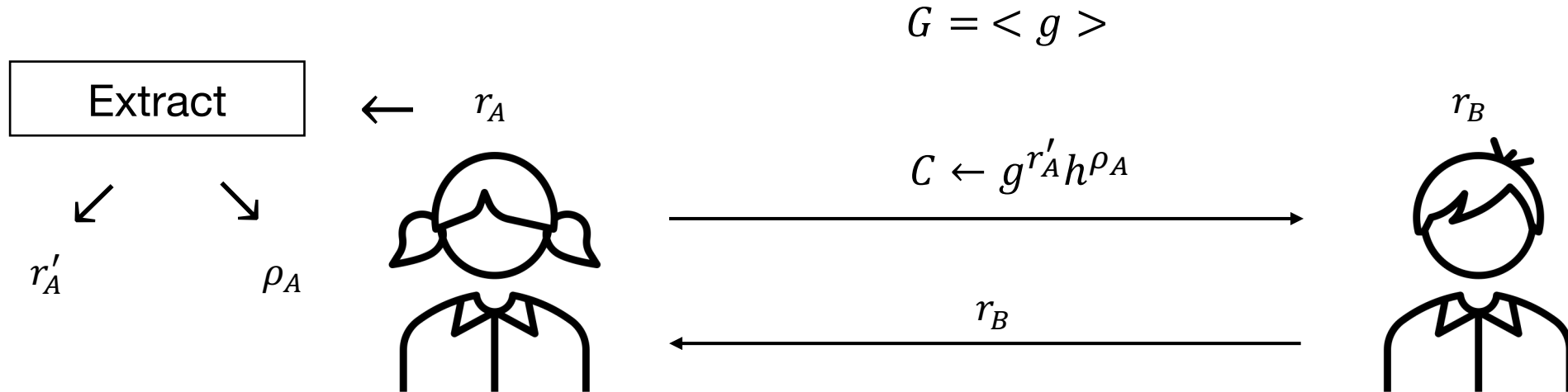
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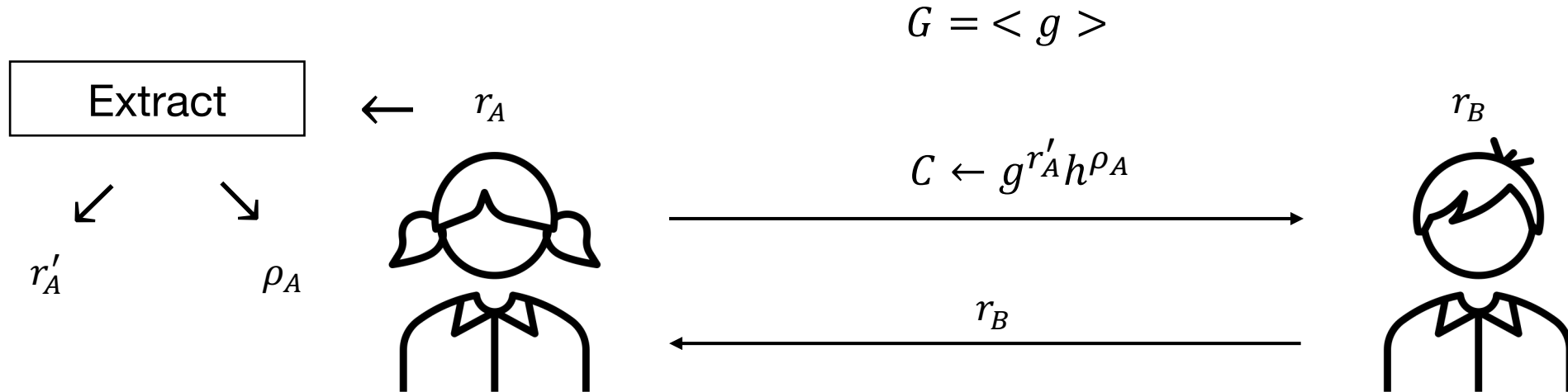


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In π , compute $P \leftarrow g^p h^{r_p}$ and $Q \leftarrow g^q h^{r_q}$

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\approx proving knowledge of x s.t. $y = g^{a^x}$
i.e., a “double discrete logarithm”

Double Discrete Logarithm $y = g^{a^x}$

- Introduced by Stadler at EUROCRYPT'96 for VSS
- Later used to build GS [CS97], e-cash [CG07], credentials [CGM12]
- Only method known so far to prove knowledge of DDLogs in ZK had $\Omega(\log \text{ord}(G))$ (prover) communication complexity because of $\{0,1\}$ challenges
- Using “Bulletproofs” [BBBPWM18] for arithmetic circuits, our proof has $O(\log \log \text{ord}(G))$ communication complexity

$$G = \langle g \rangle, y = g^{a^x}$$

$$x = \sum_{0 \leq i \leq n} x_i 2^i, \text{ with } x_i \in \{0,1\}$$

$$a^x = \prod_{0 \leq i \leq n} (a^{2^i})^{x_i} = \prod_{0 \leq i \leq n} a_i \bmod \text{ord}(G), \text{ with } a_i \in \{1, a^{2^i}\}$$

$$y = g^{\prod_i a_i}$$

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over \mathbb{Z} (instead of $\mathbb{Z}_{ord(G)}$)

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$$(\text{over } \mathbb{Z}_{ord(G)}) \quad a_L \circ a_R = a_O \text{ and } W_L a_L + W_R a_R + W_O a_O = W_V [a^x] + C$$

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- Can one devise a more realistic model in which
 - entropy is accumulated,
 - sources are not independent of the extractors? [CDKT19]