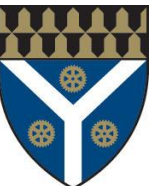




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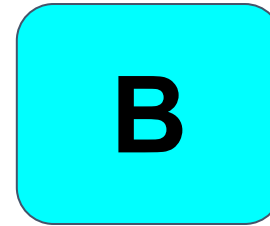
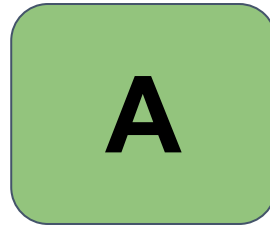
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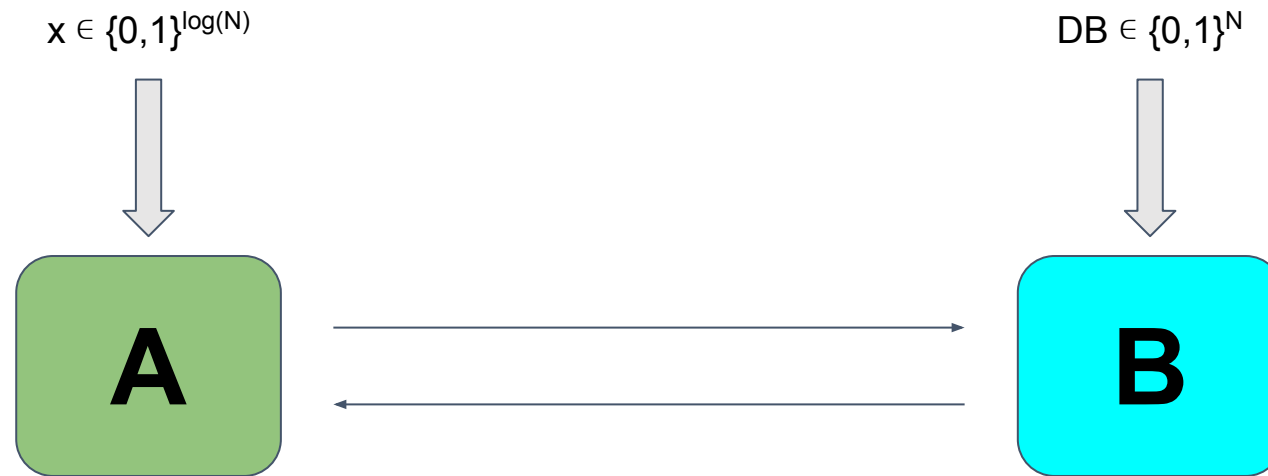
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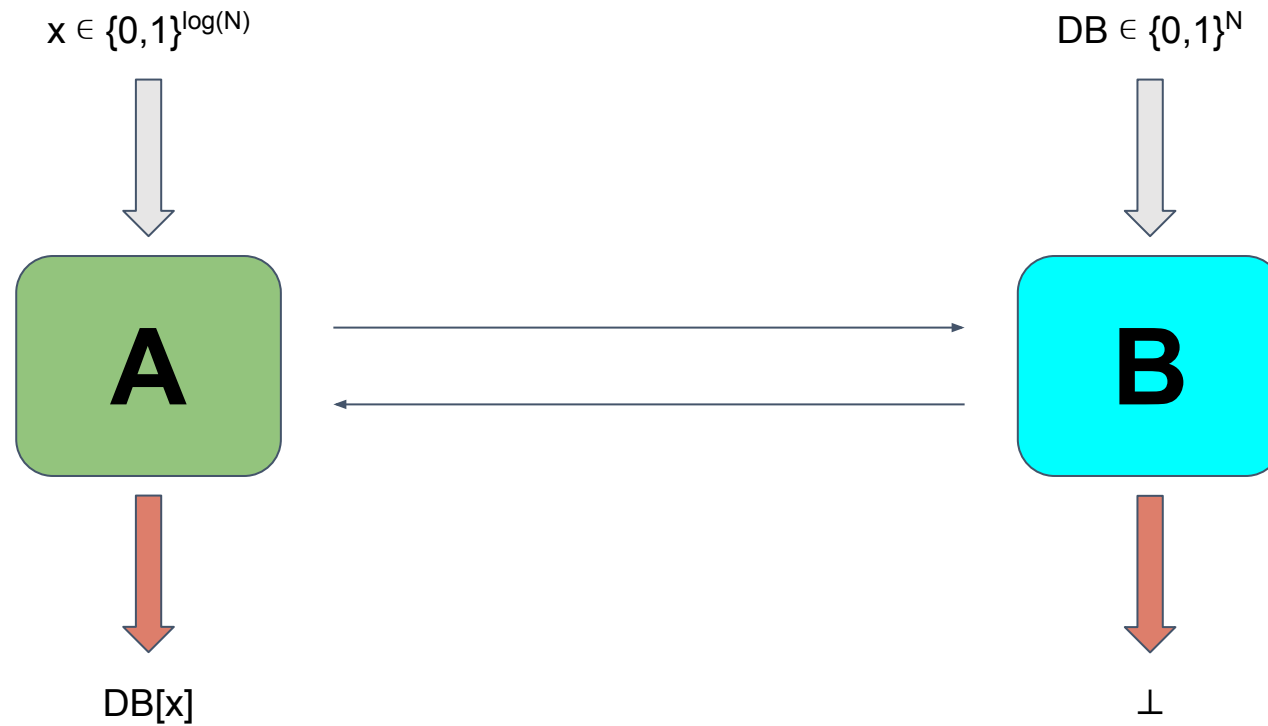
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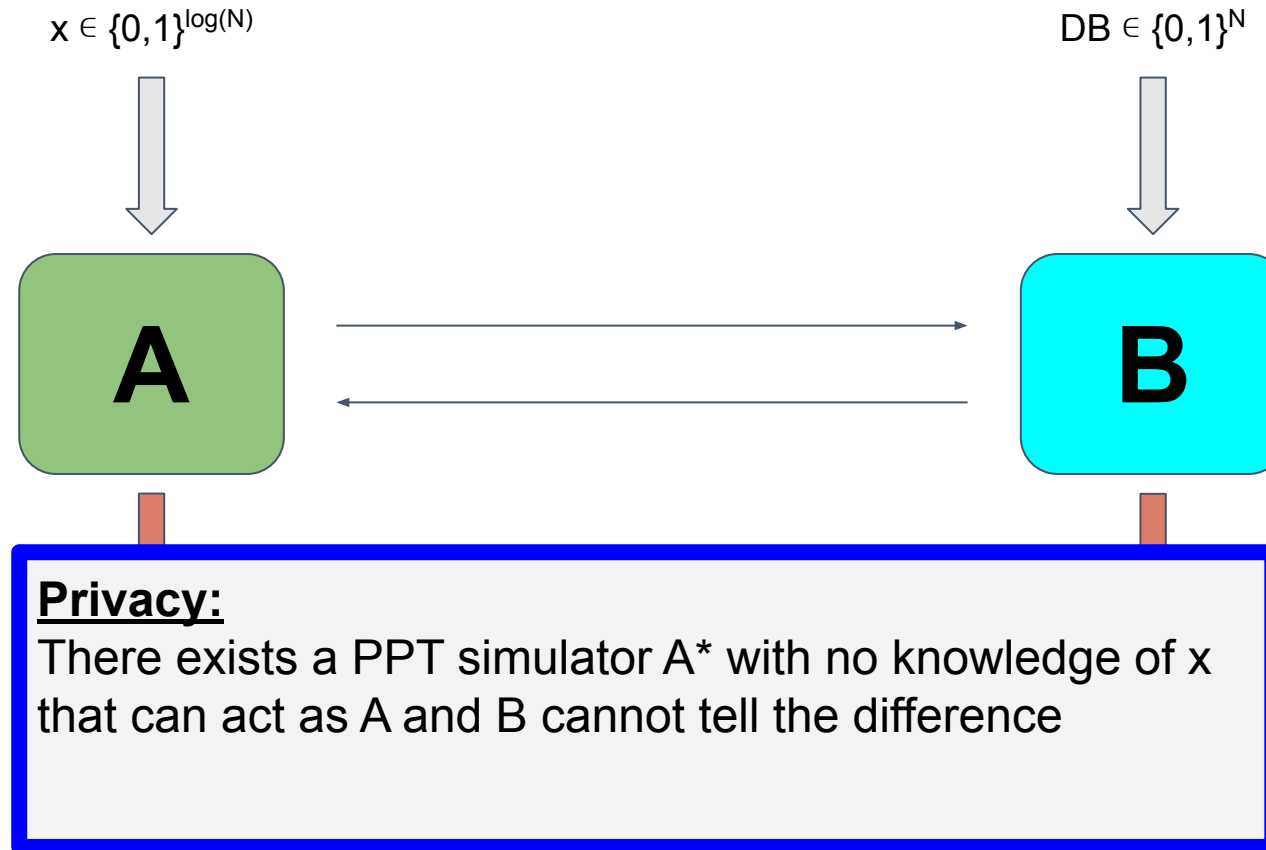
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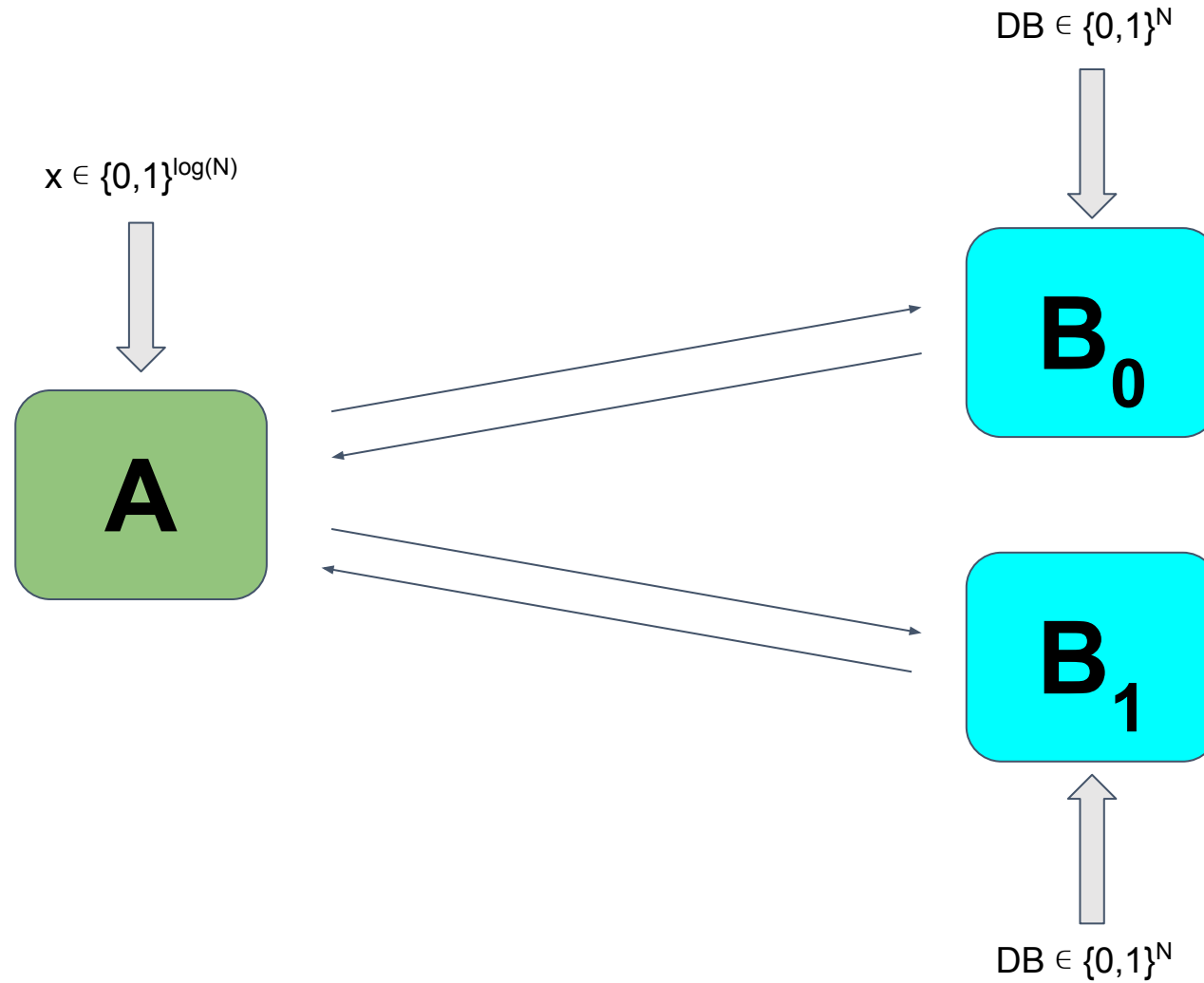
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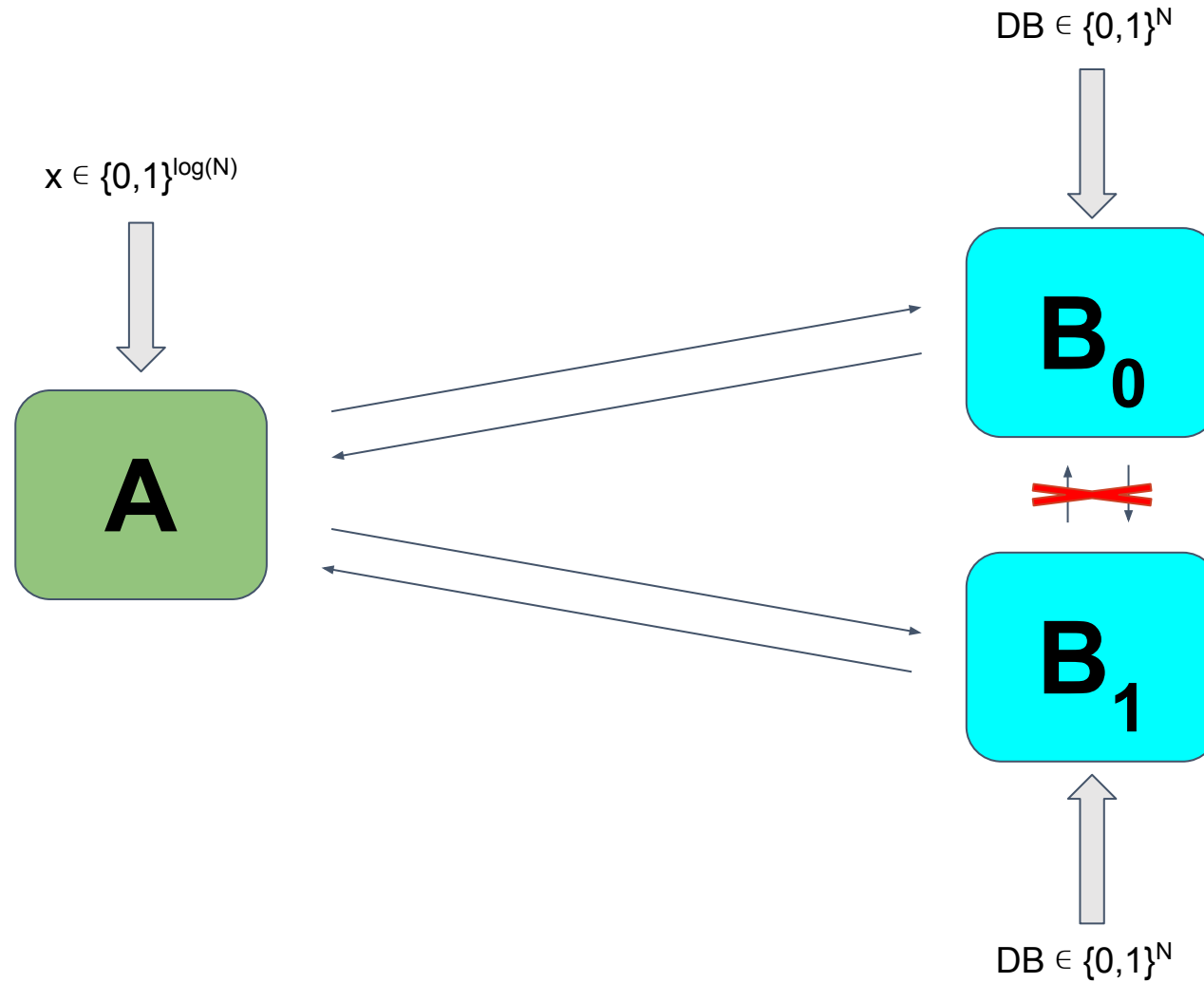


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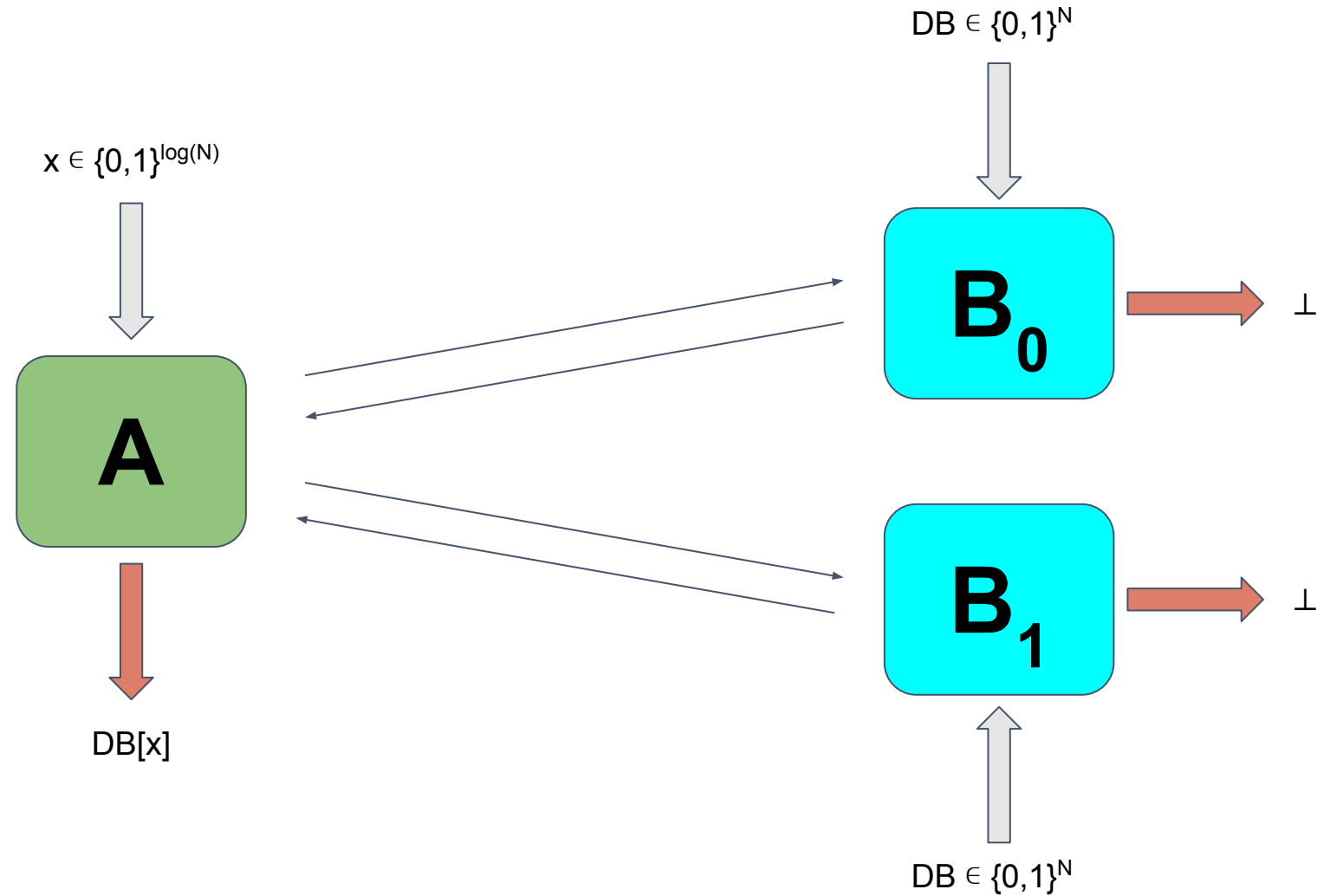


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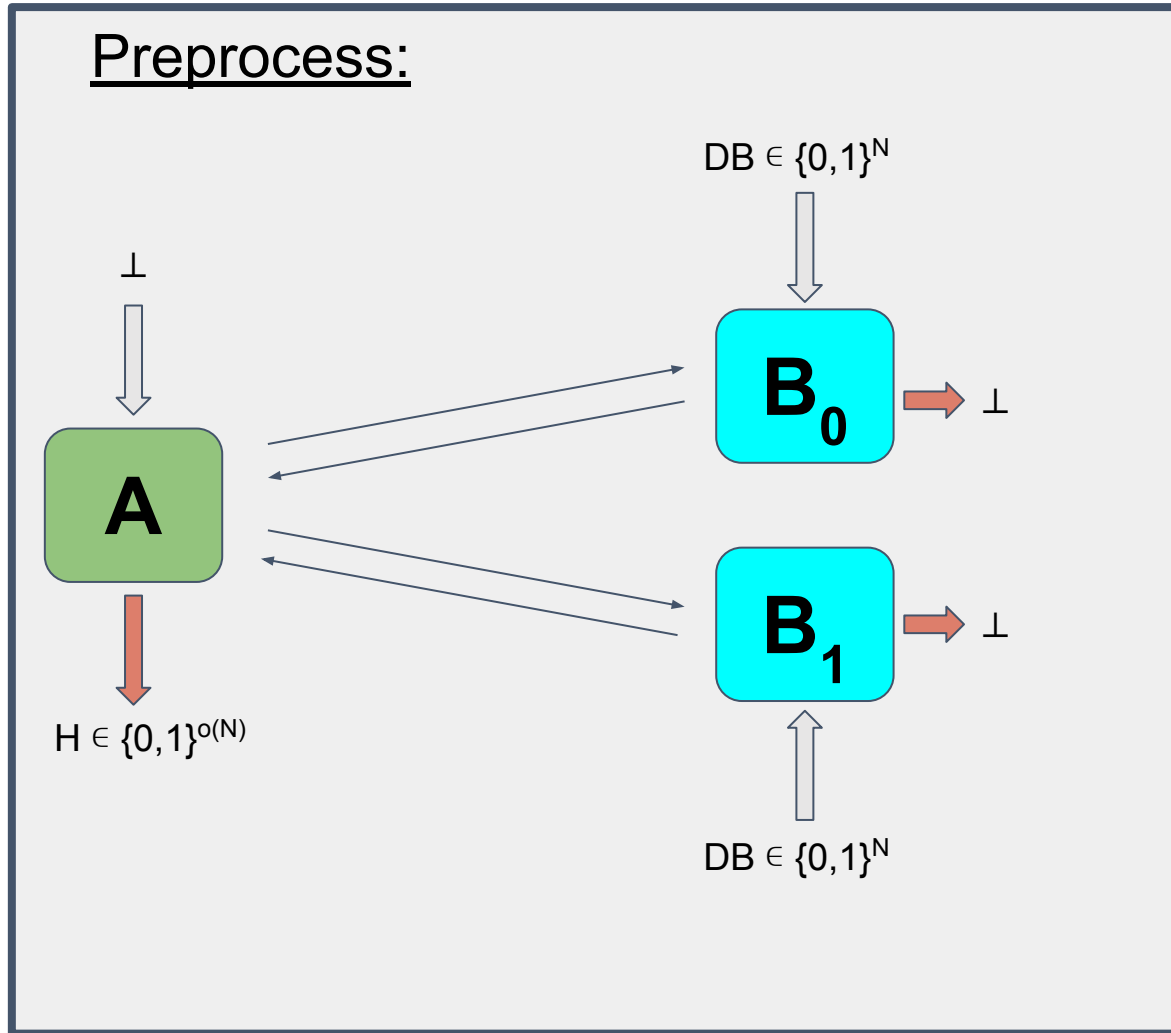




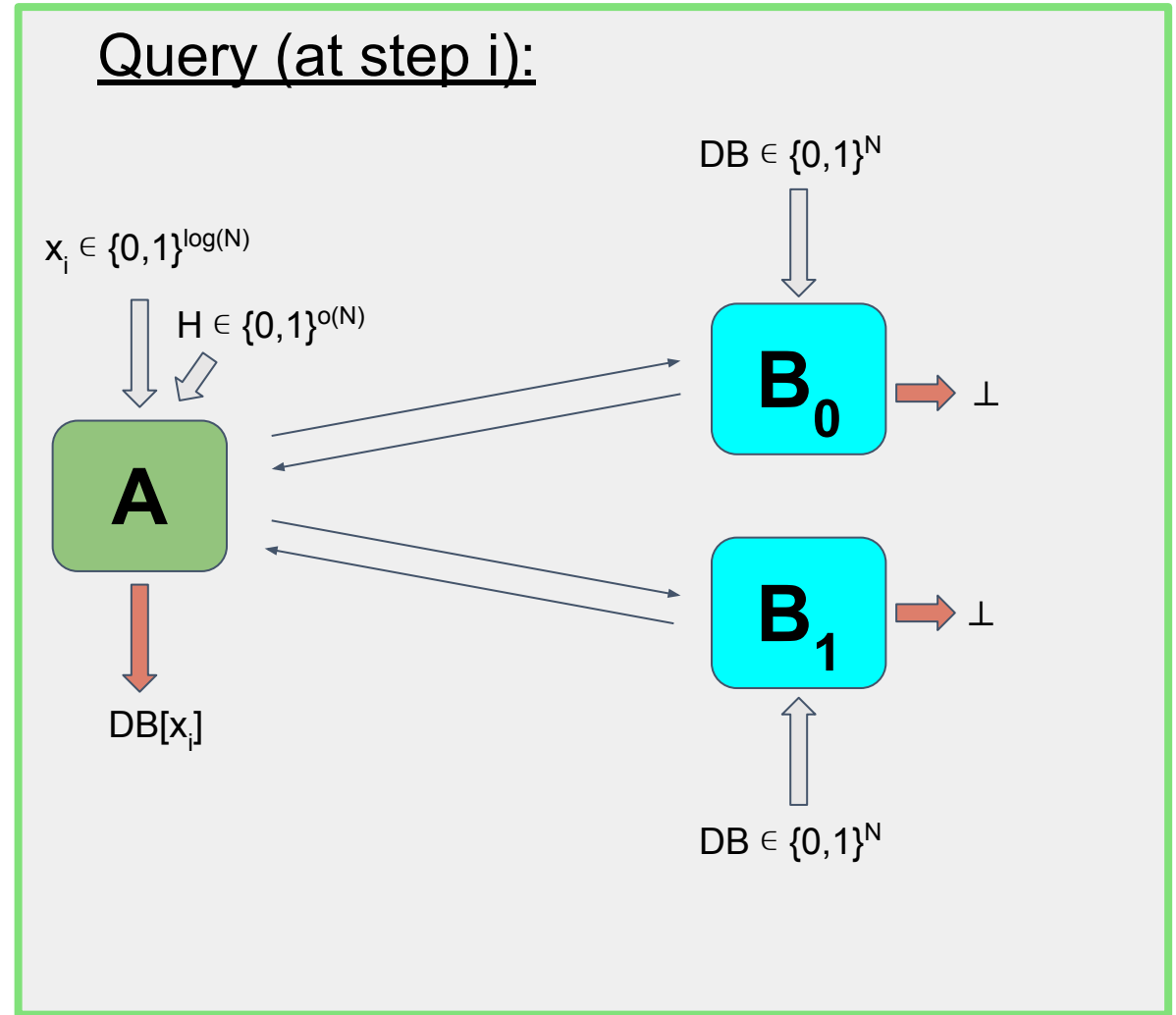
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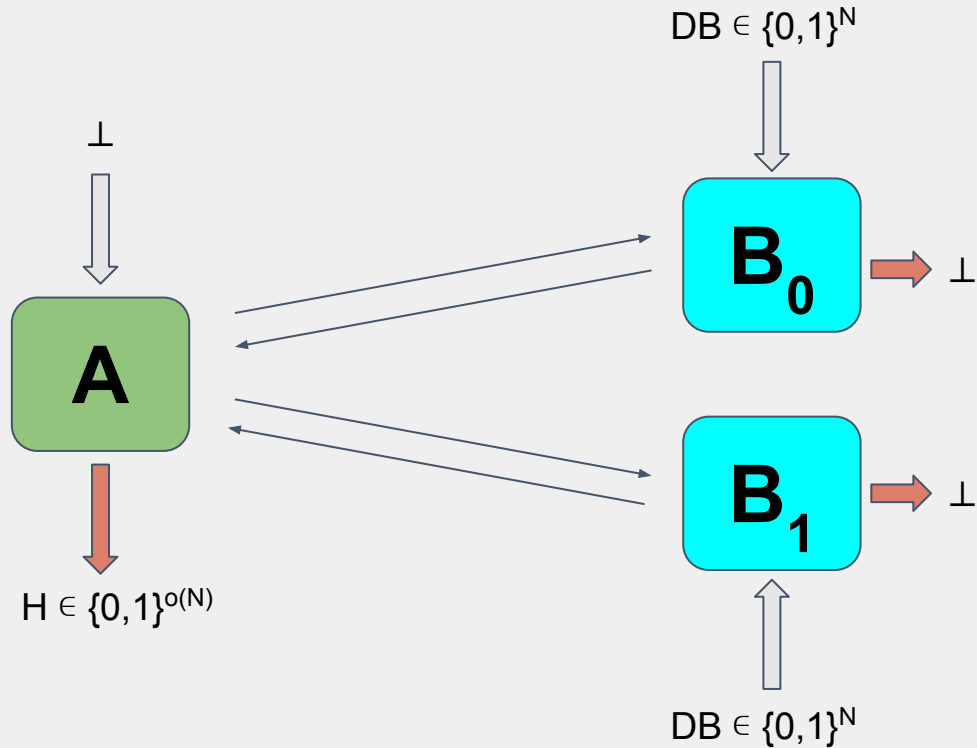


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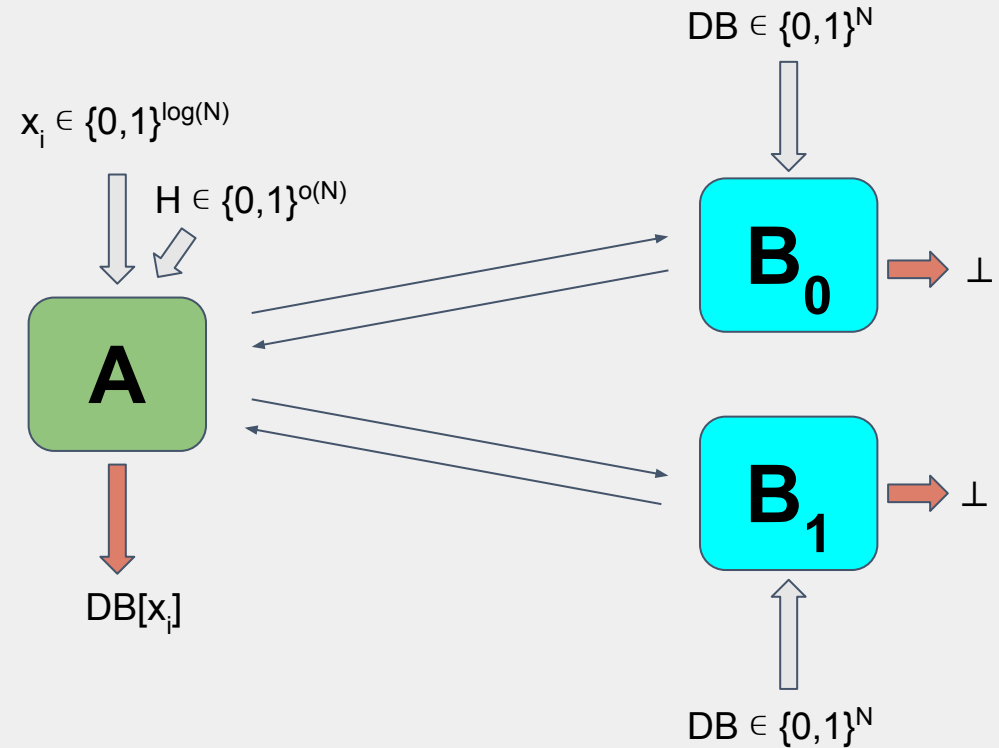


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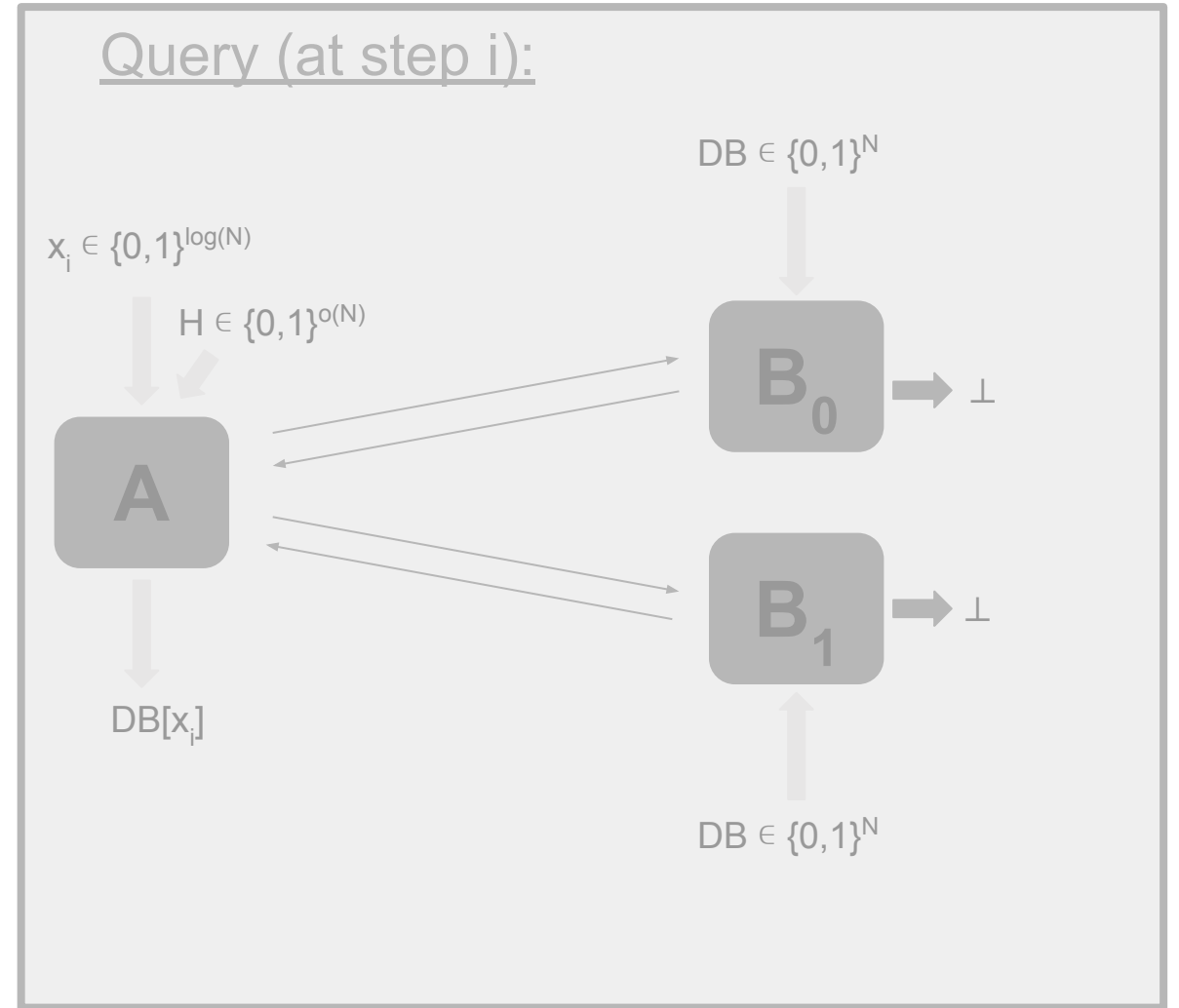
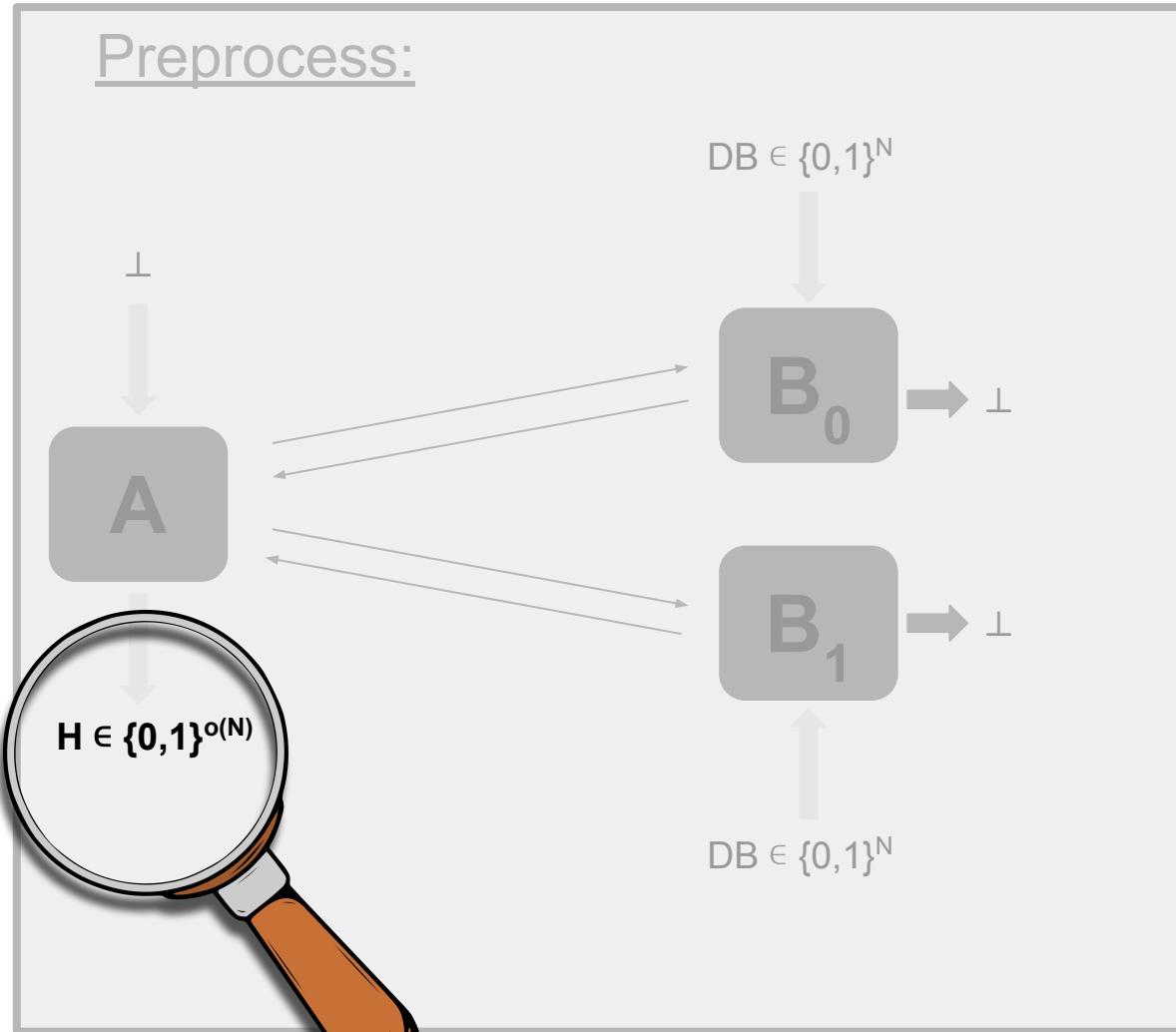
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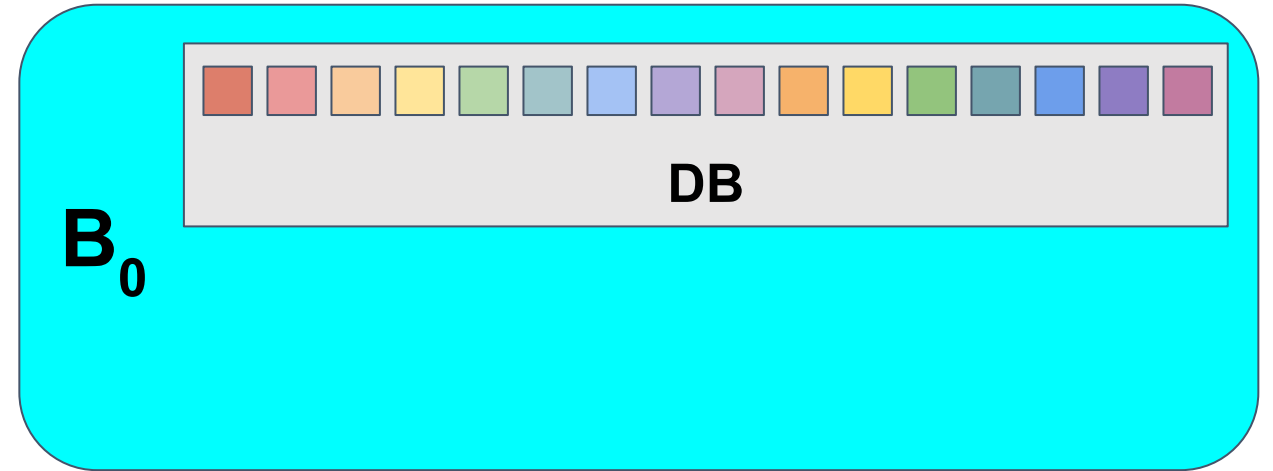
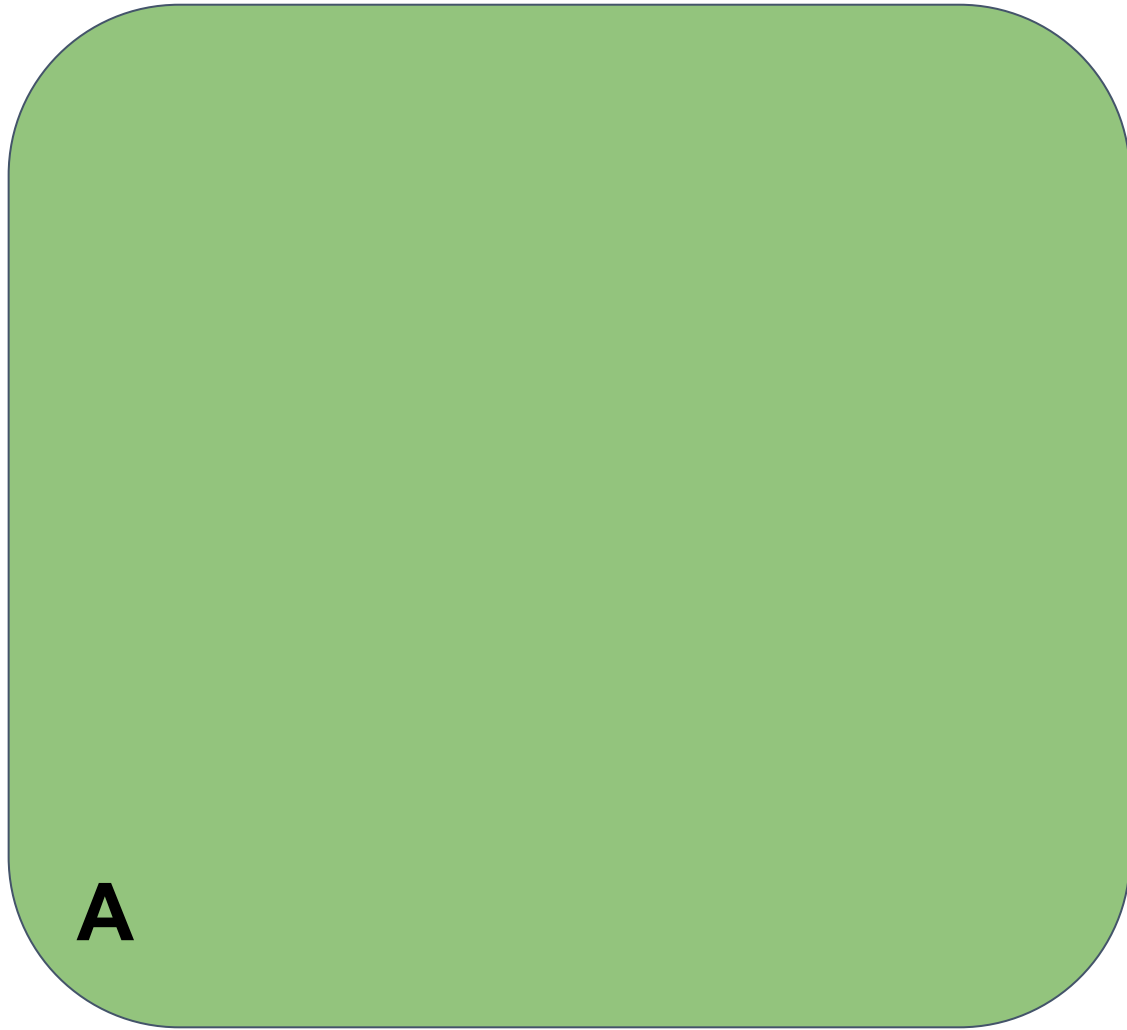


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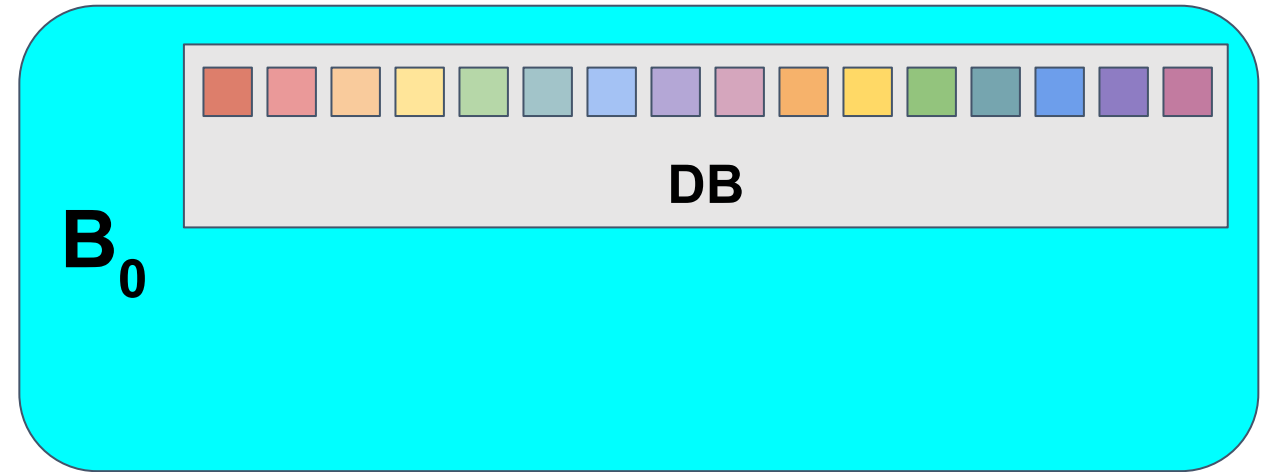
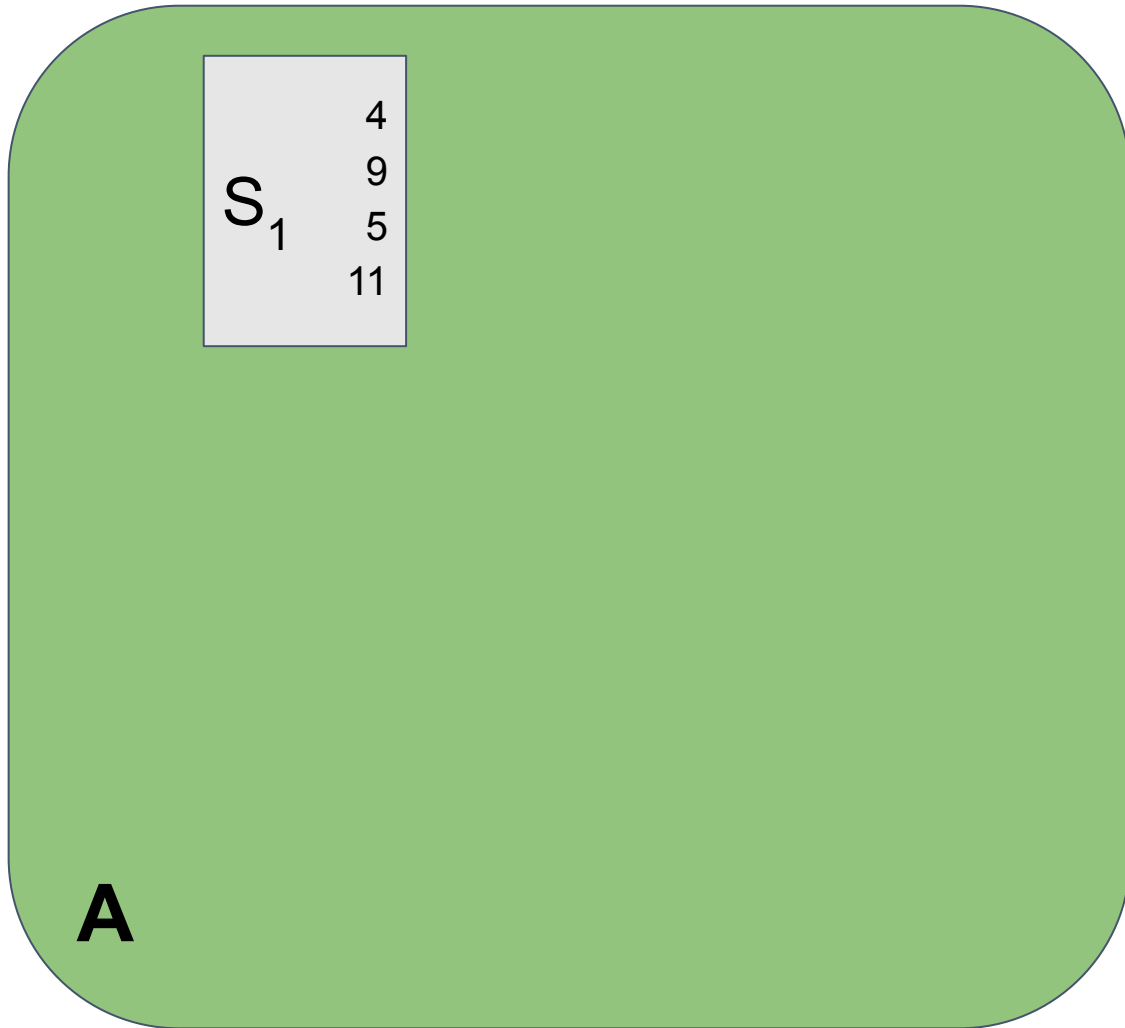
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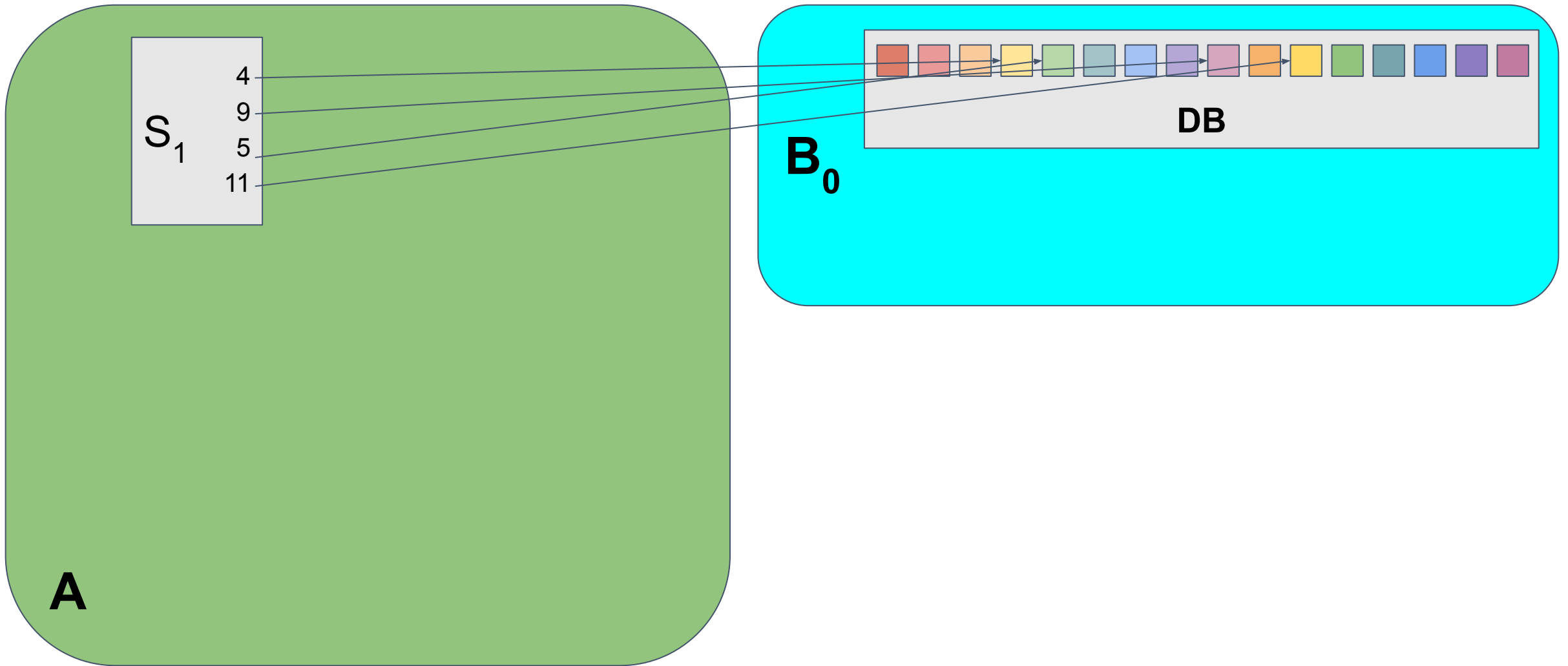
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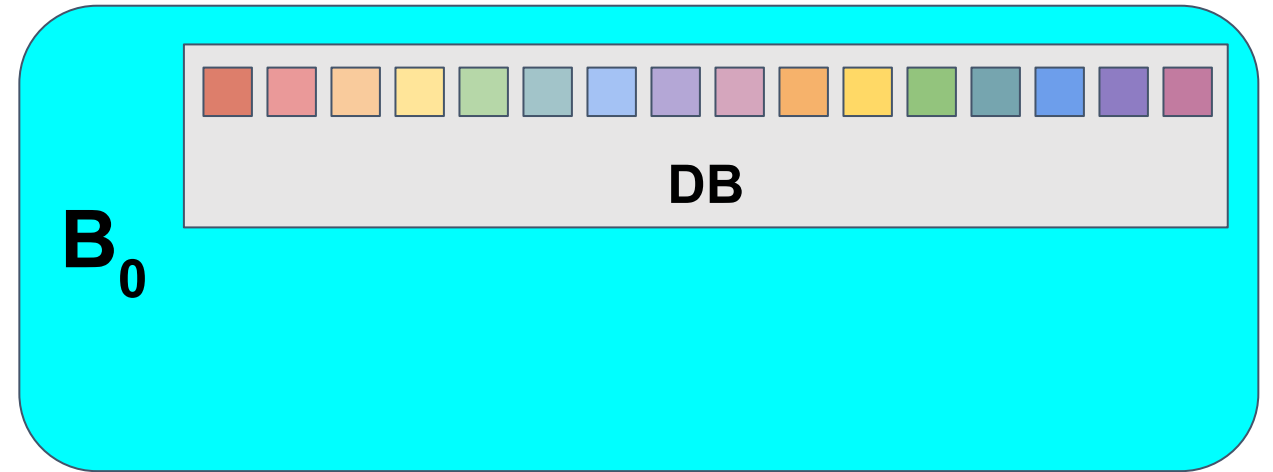
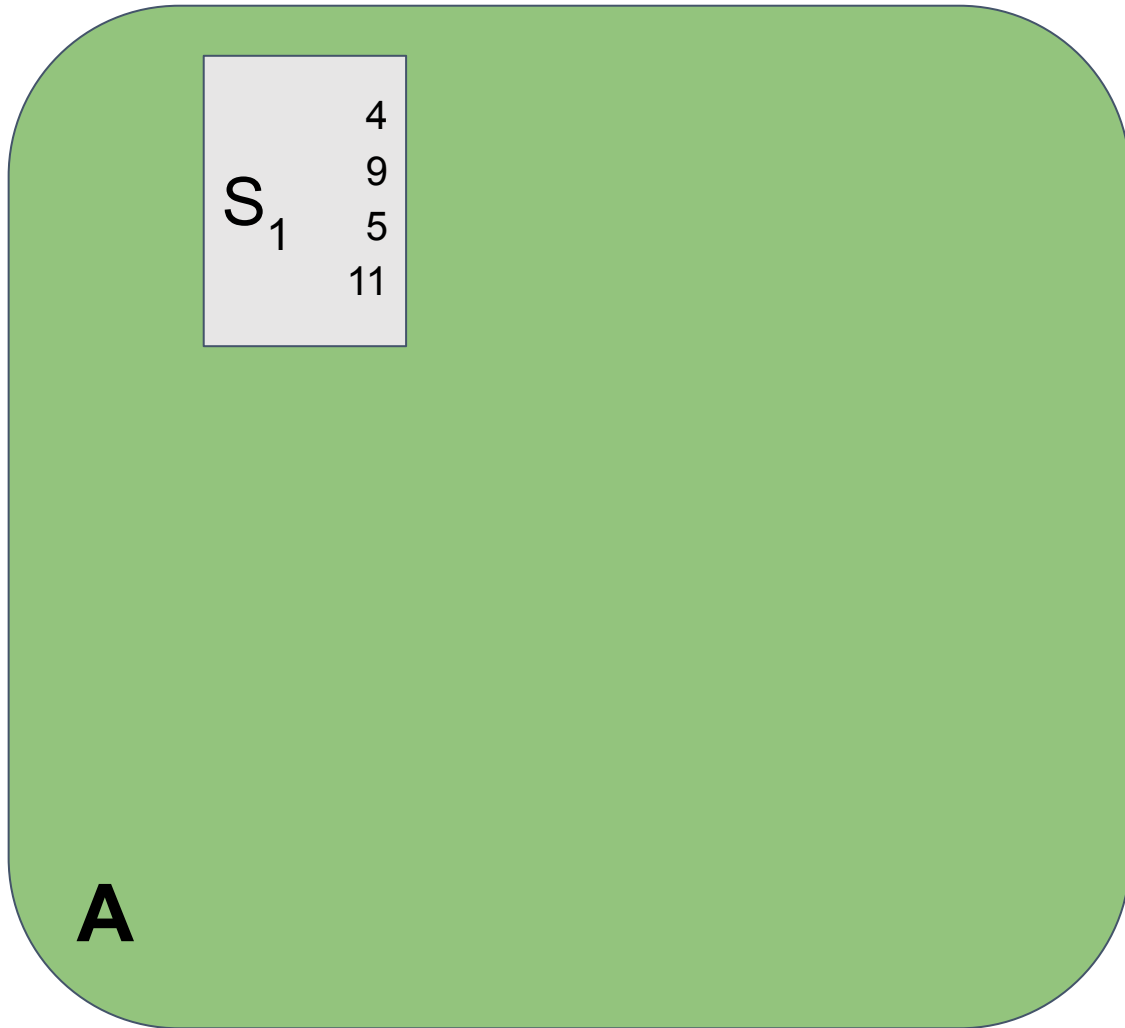
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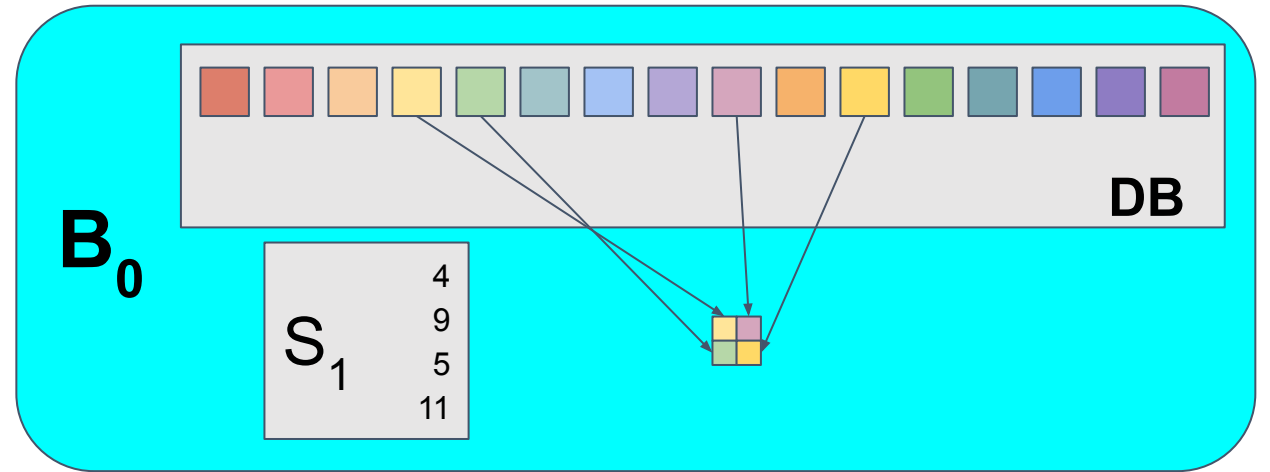
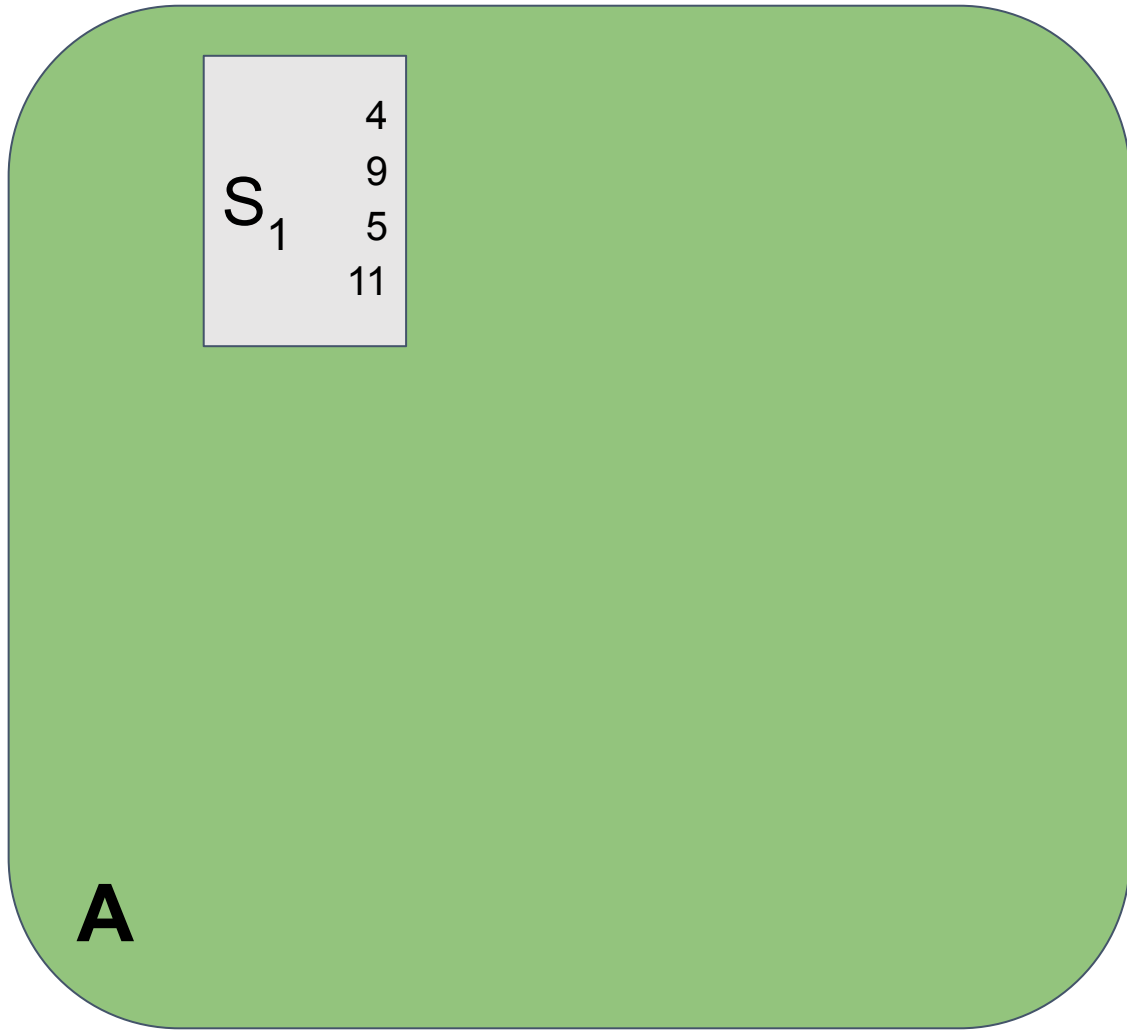


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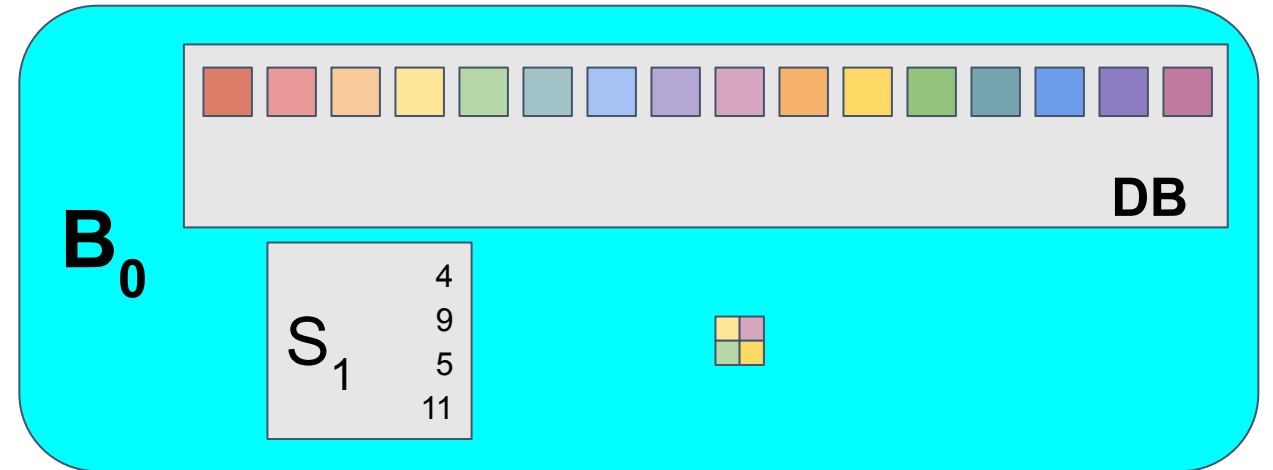
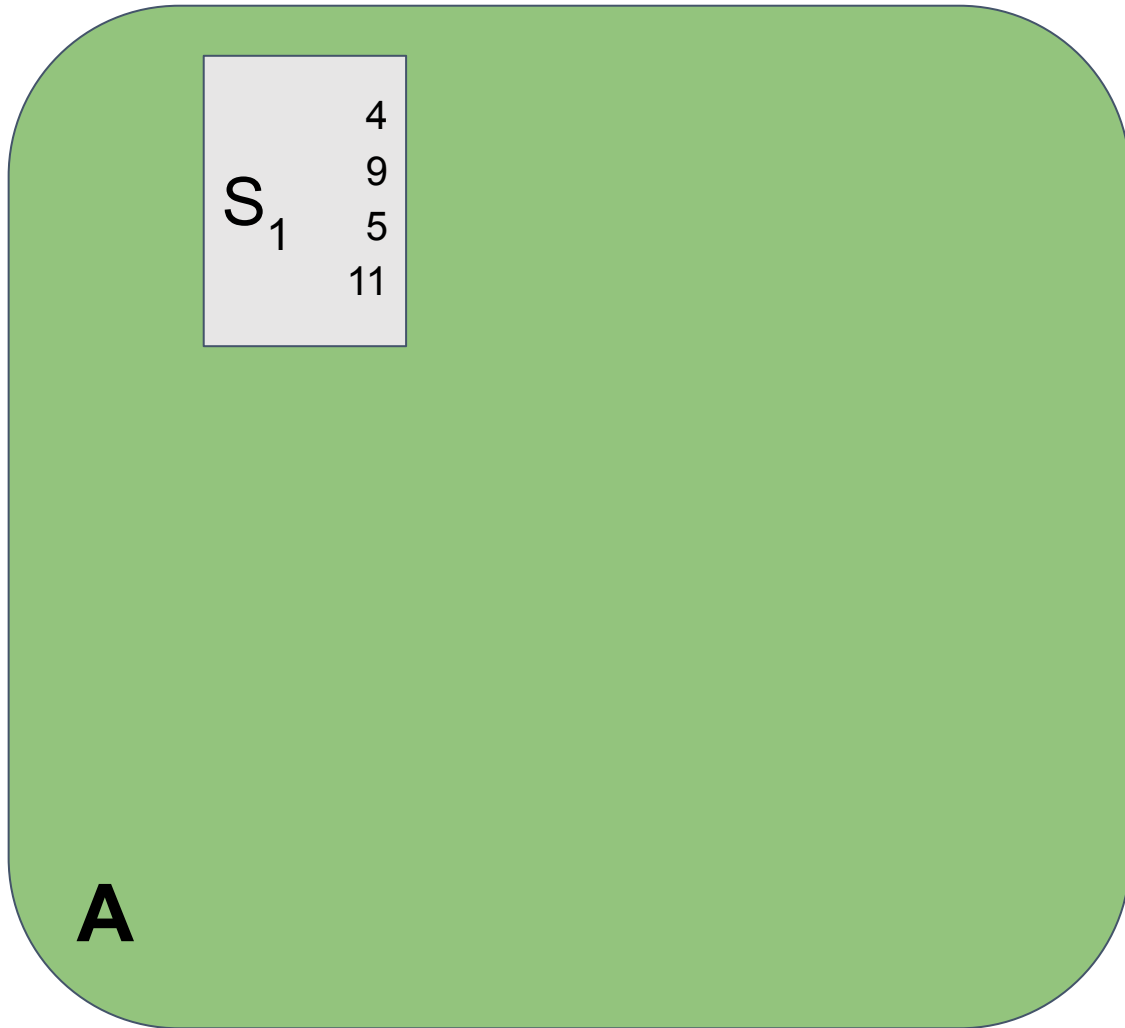


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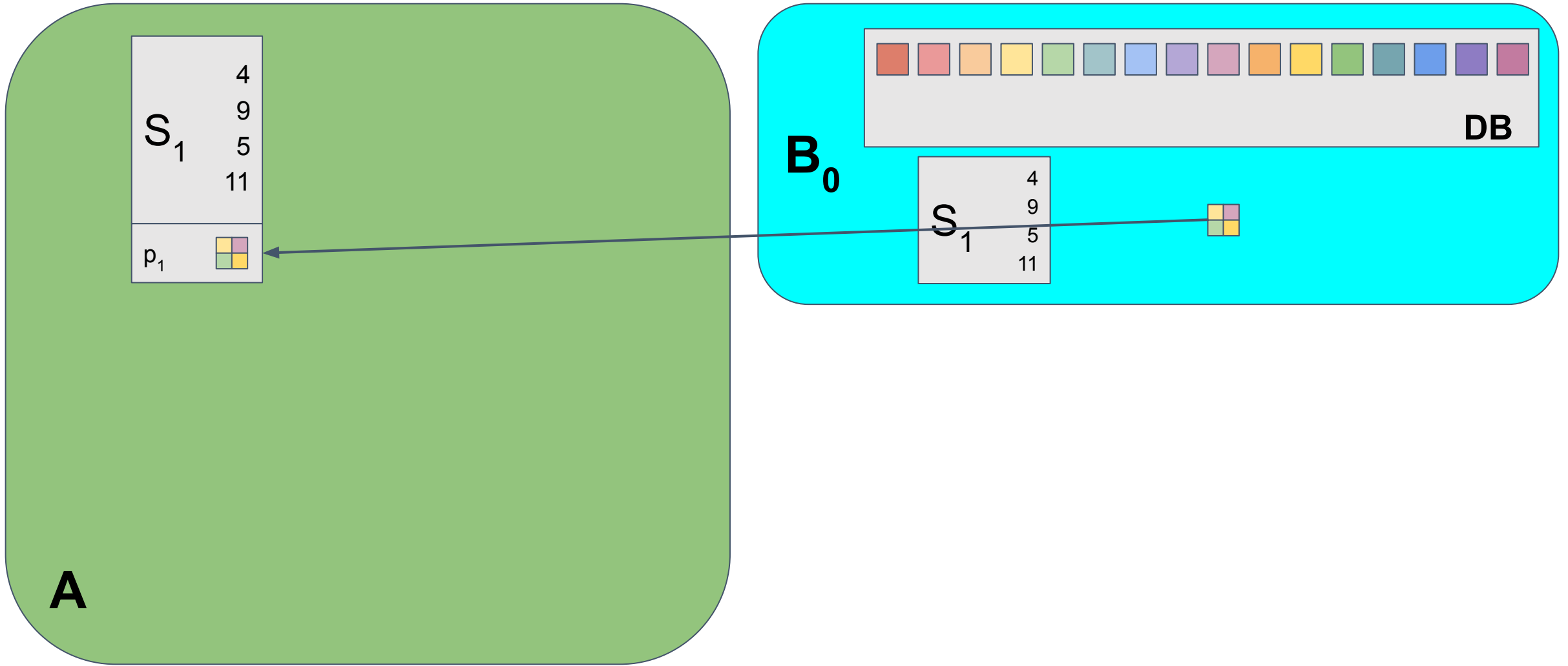


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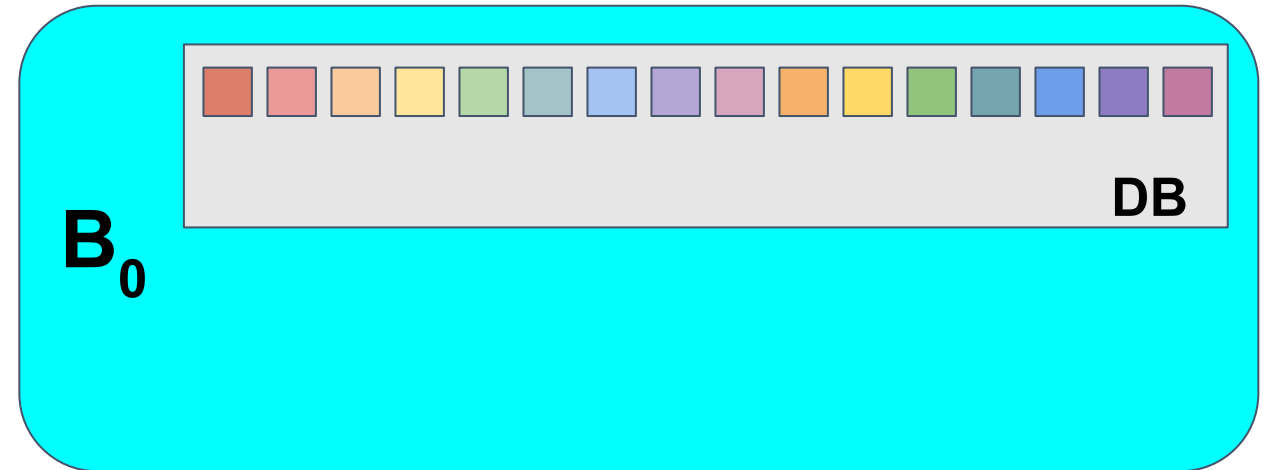
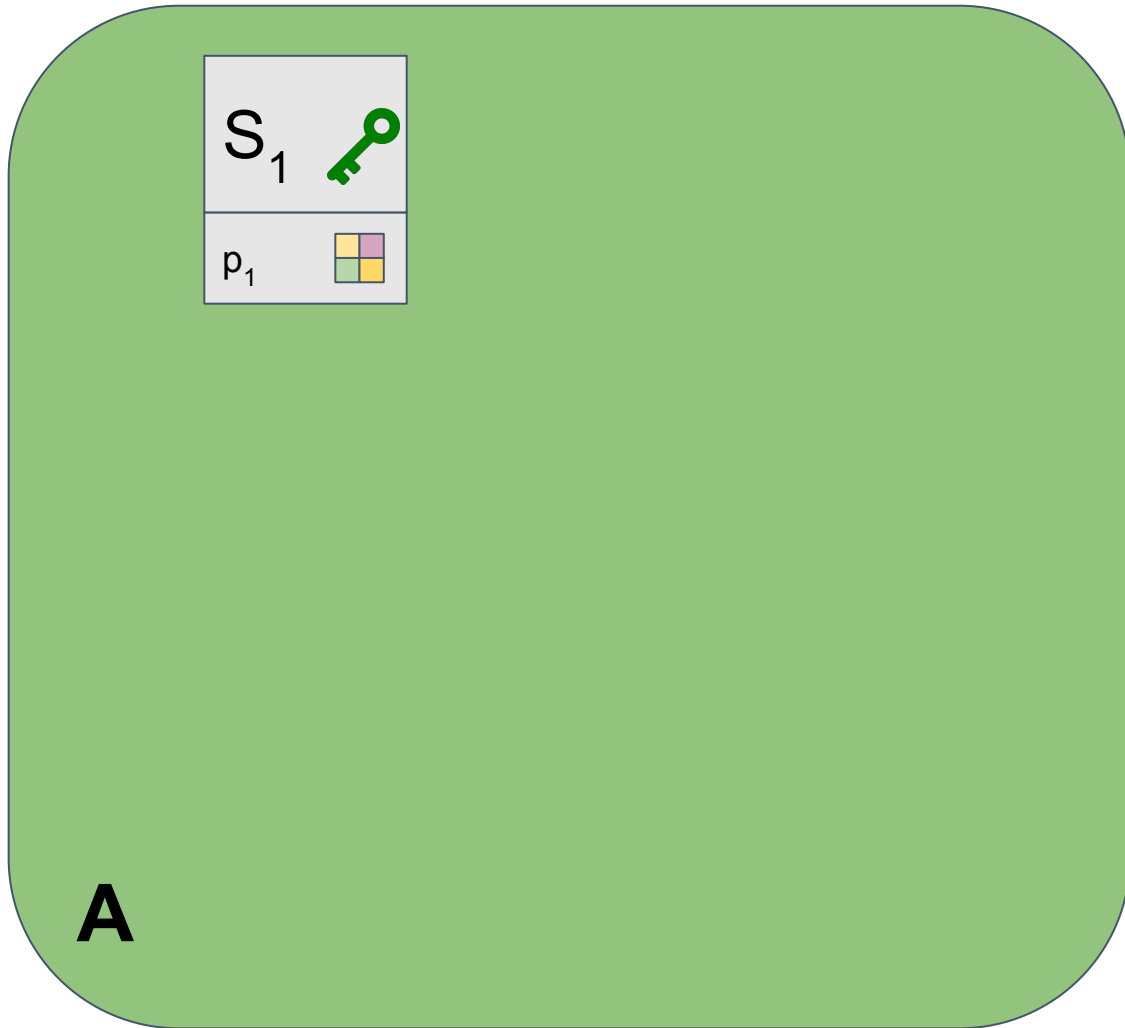


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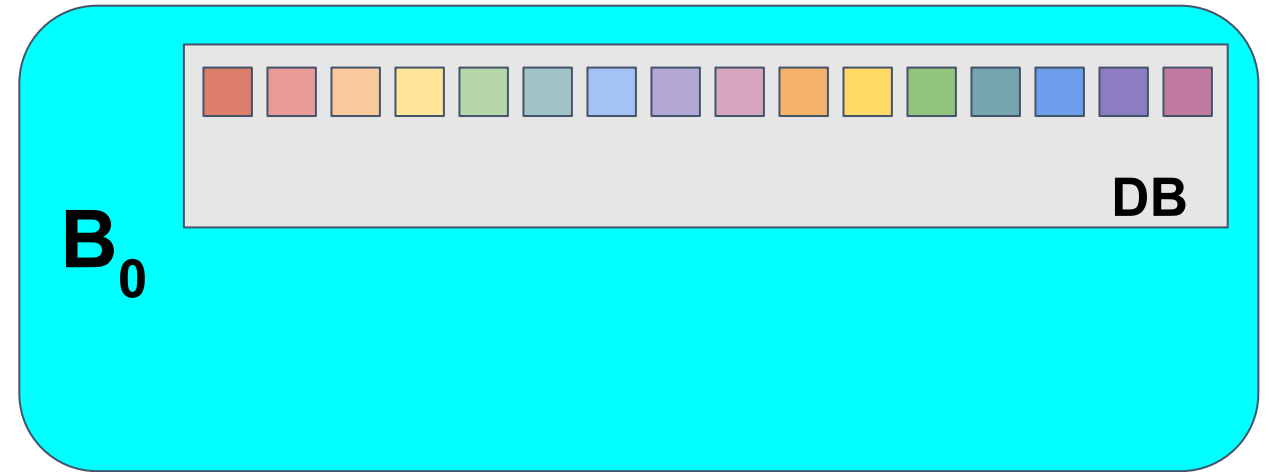
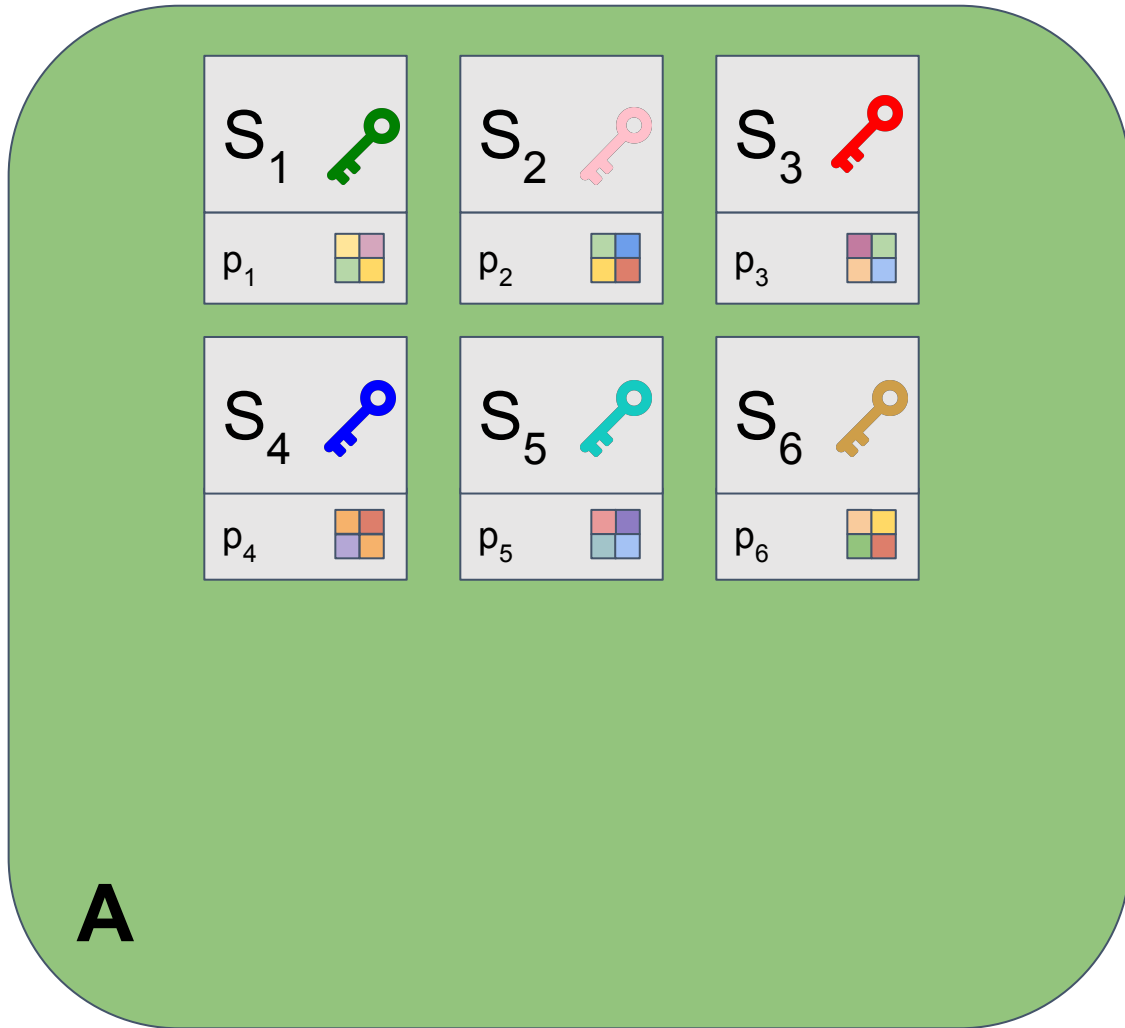


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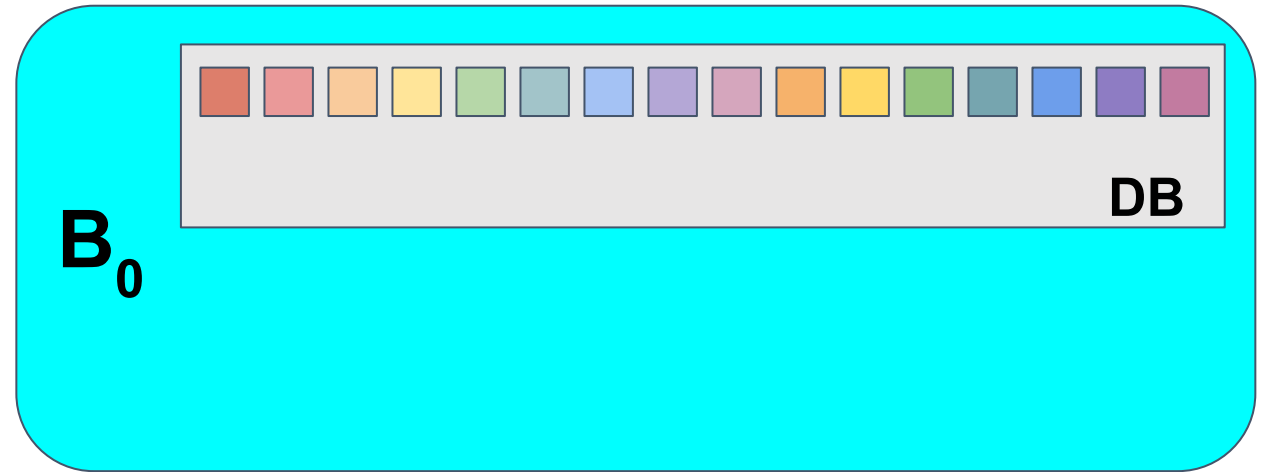
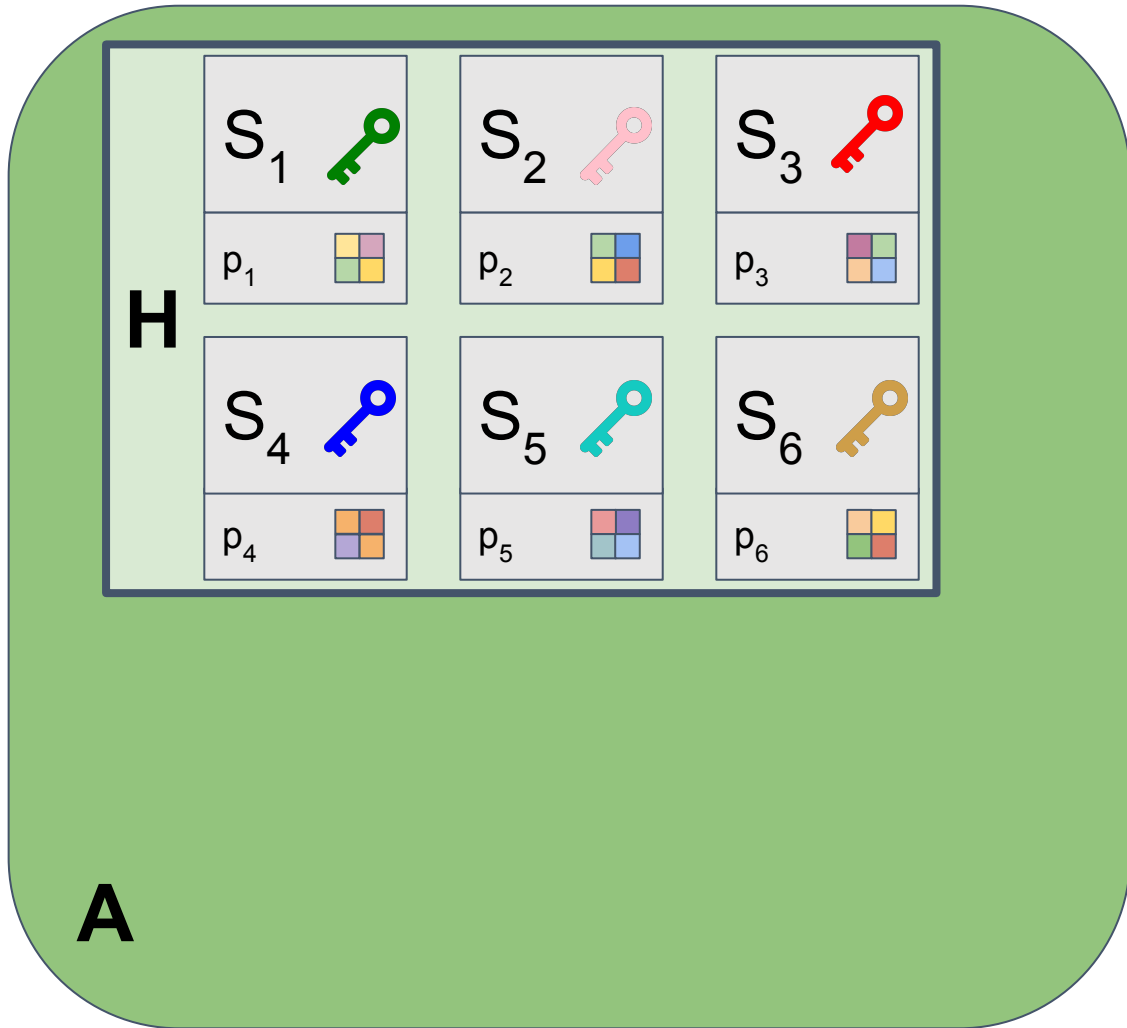
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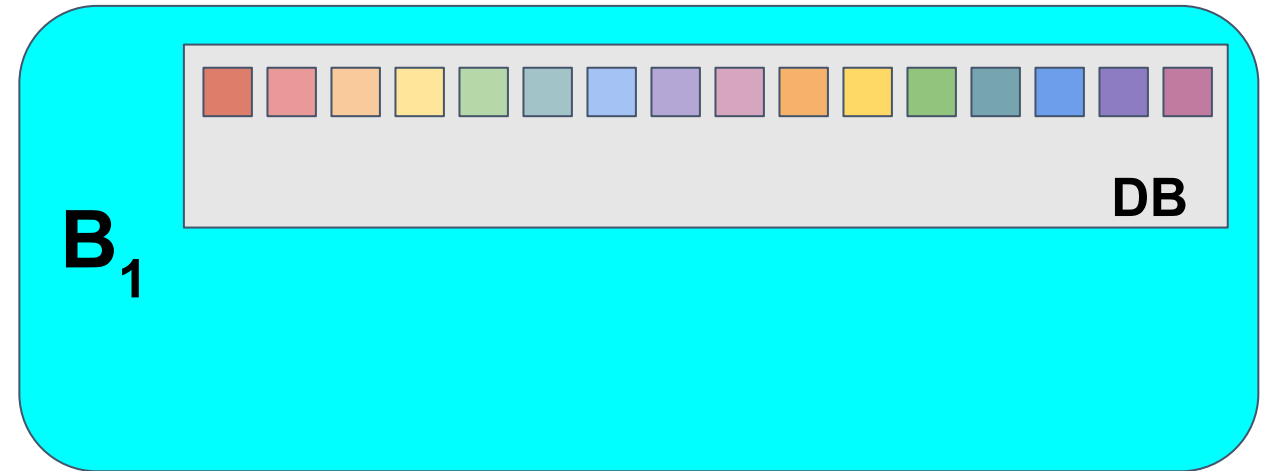
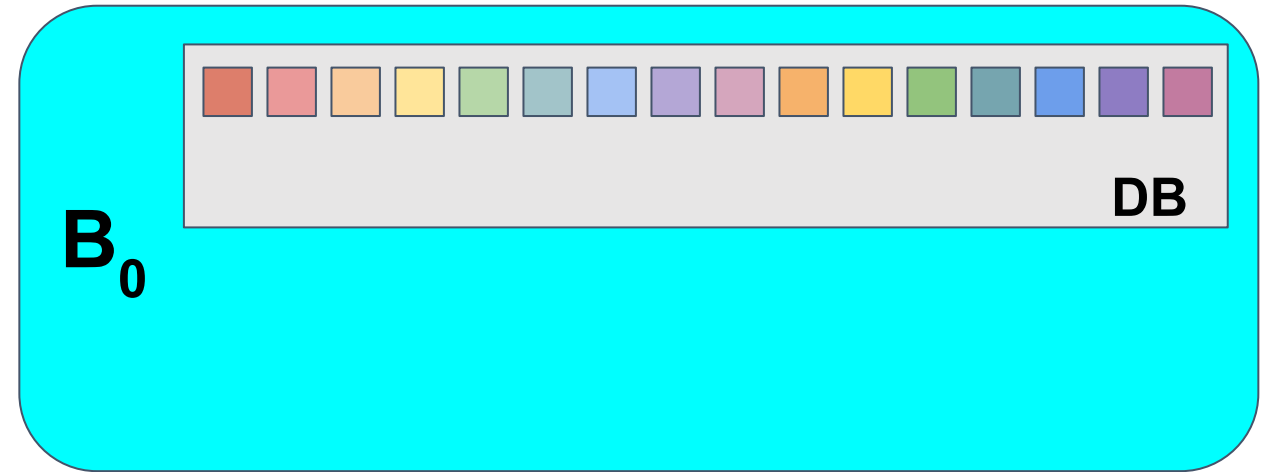
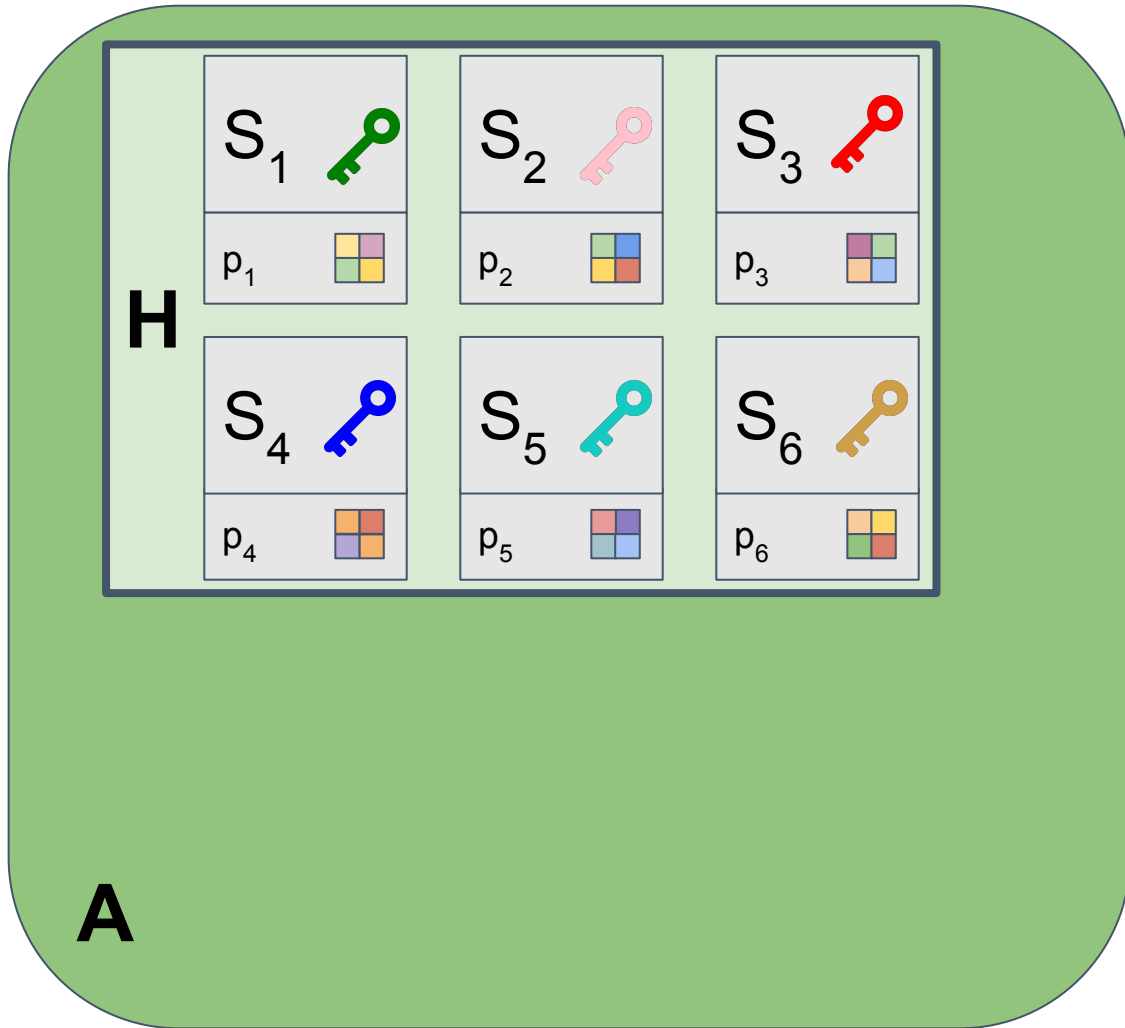
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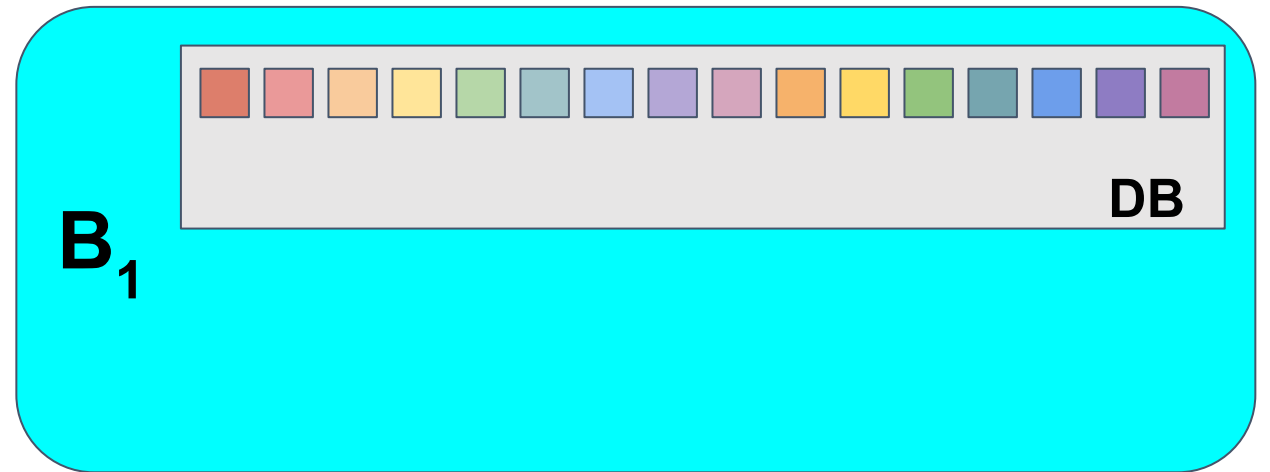
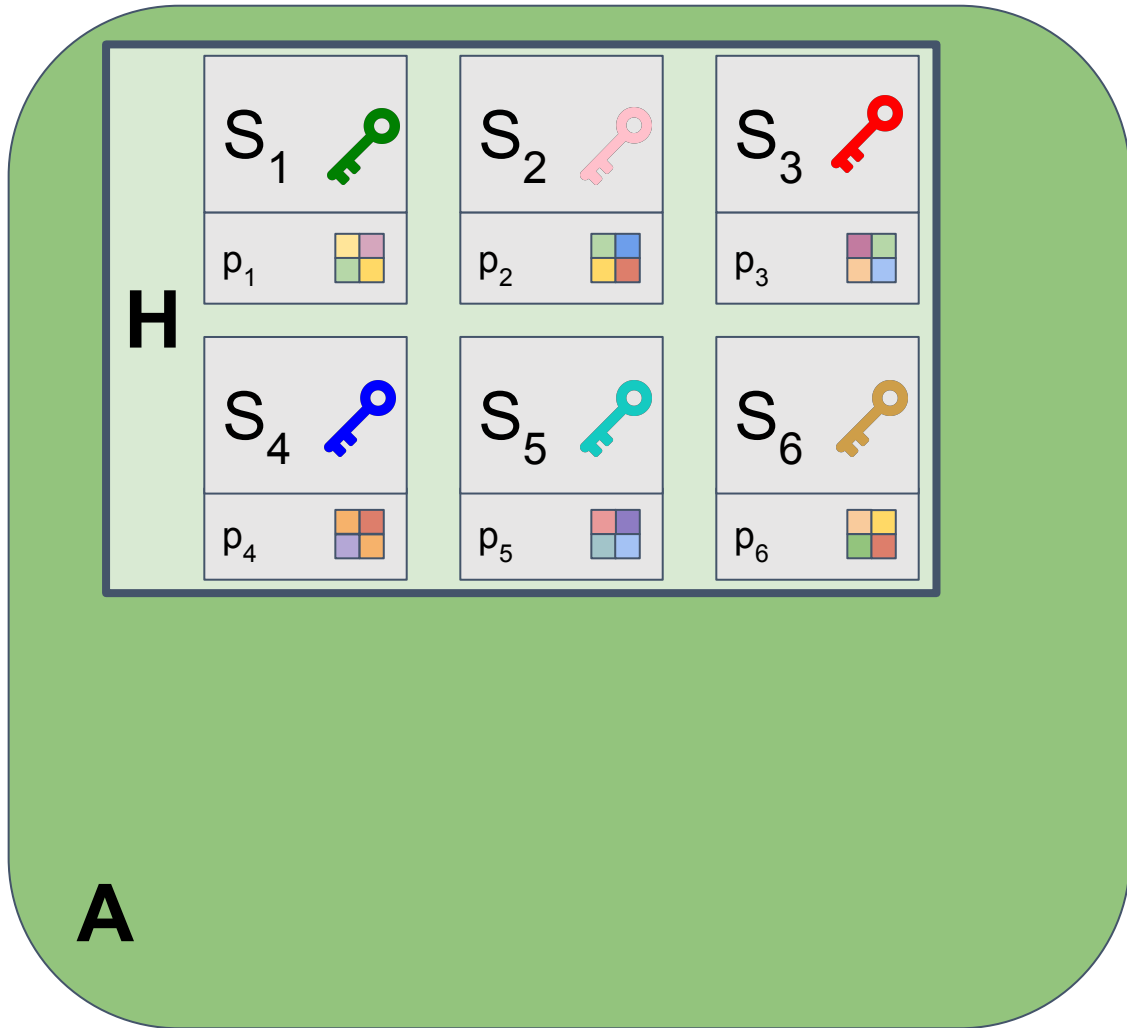


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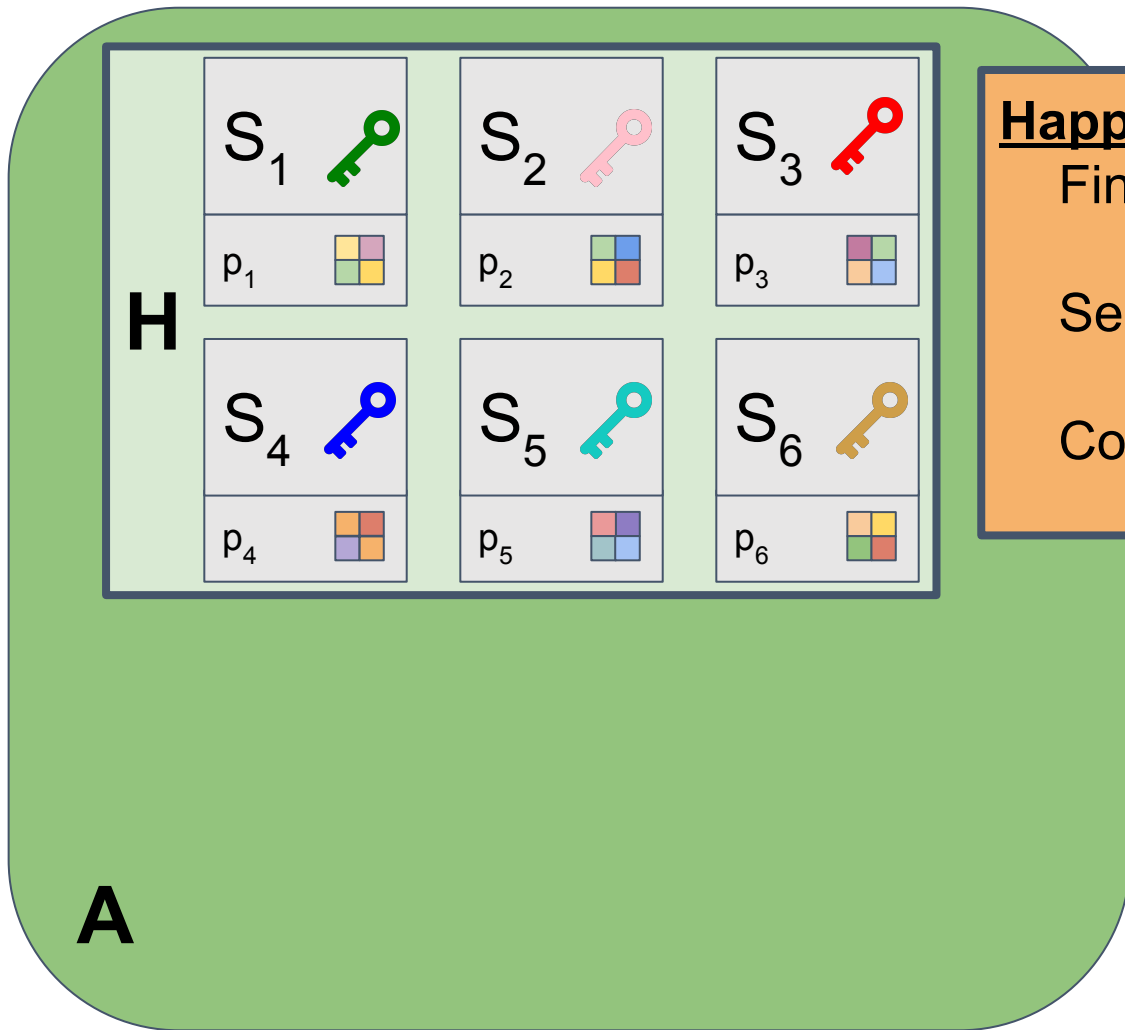




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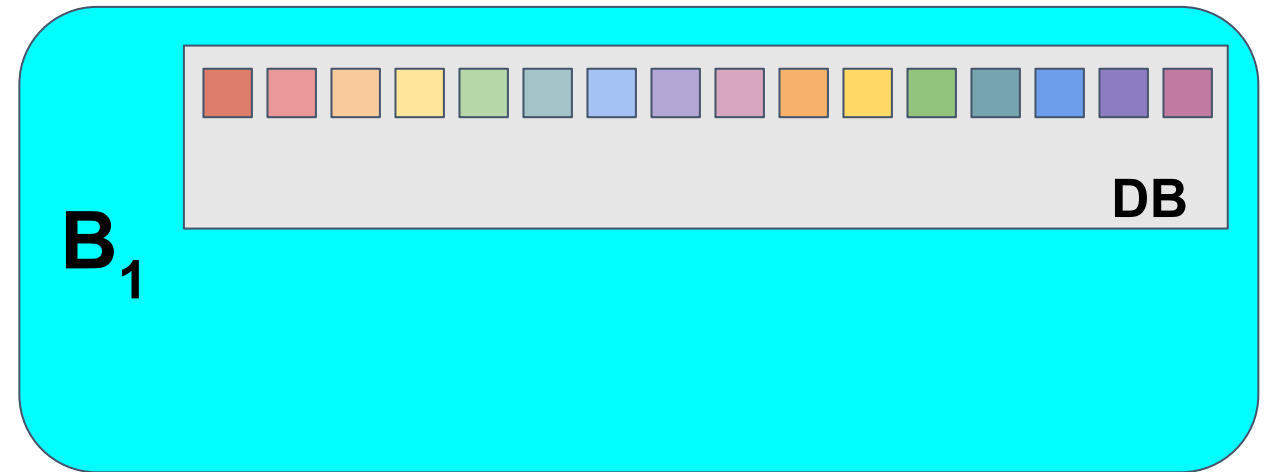


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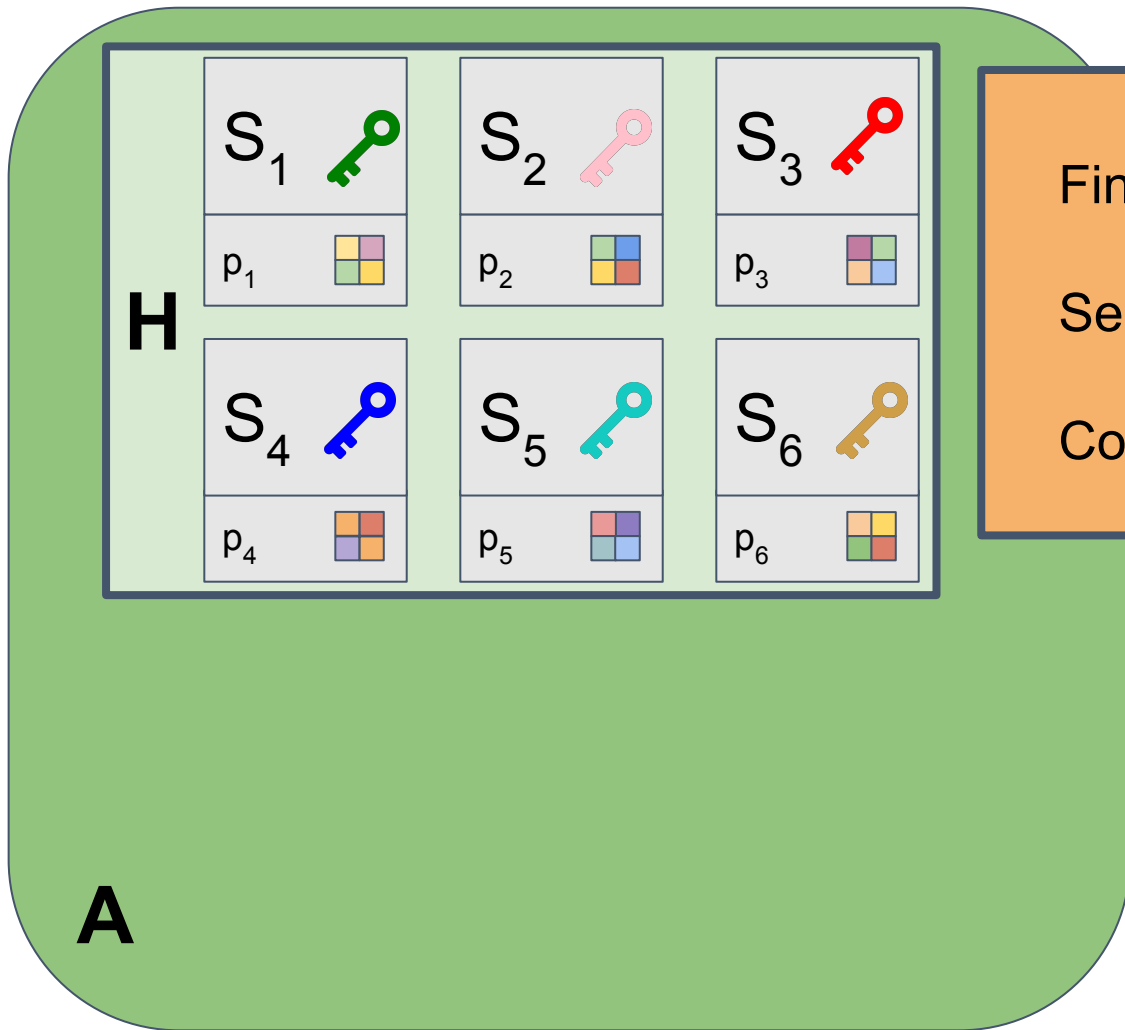
Find  $(S, p)$  in **H** such that  $x \in S$

Send to  $B_1$   $S \setminus \{x\}$ , get back xor of elements  $p'$

Compute  $DB[x] = p \oplus p'$



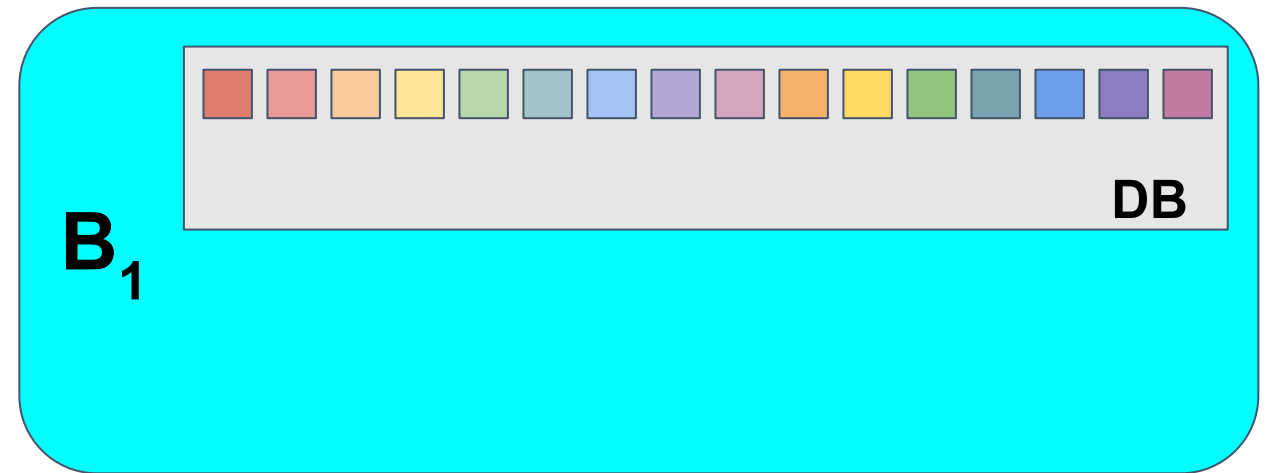
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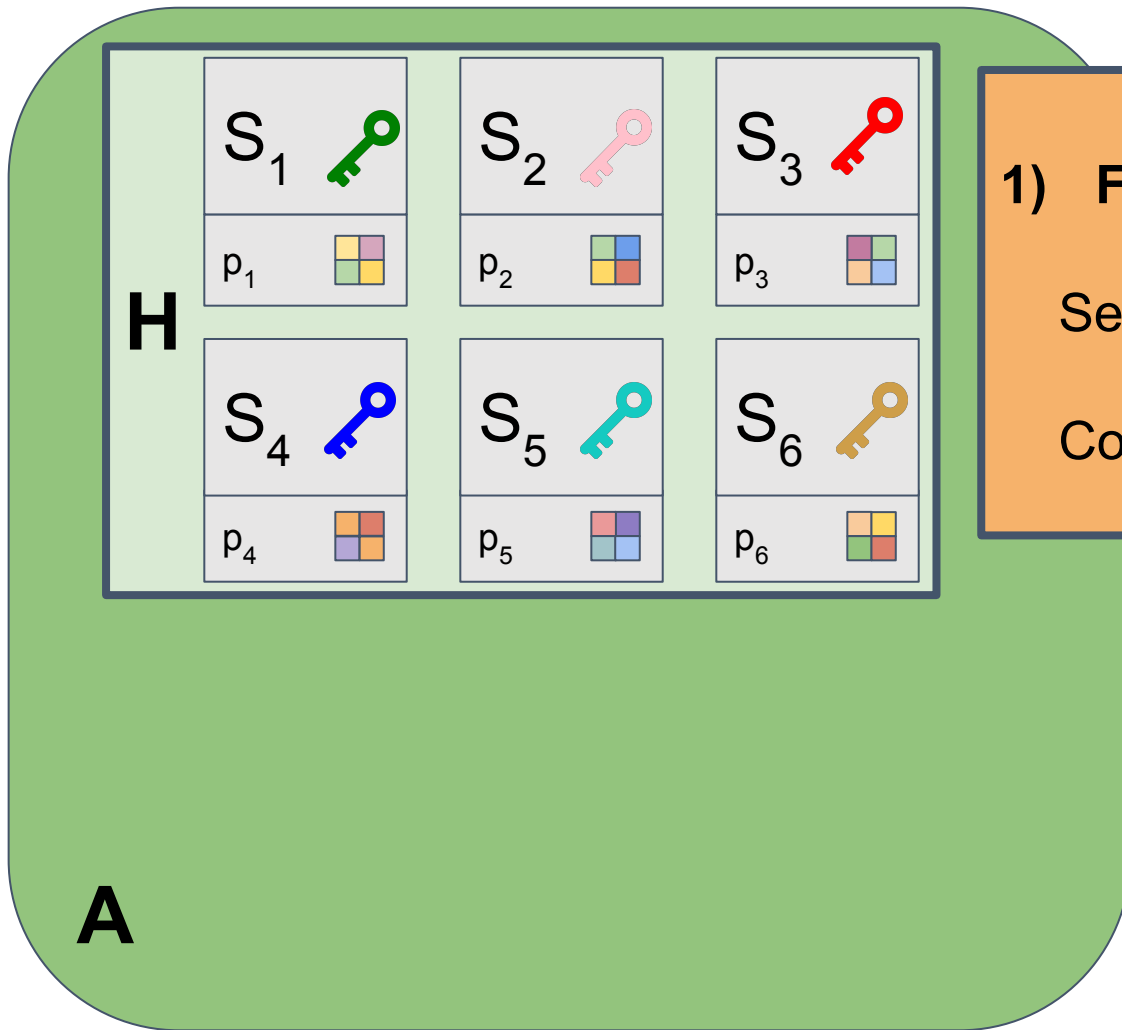
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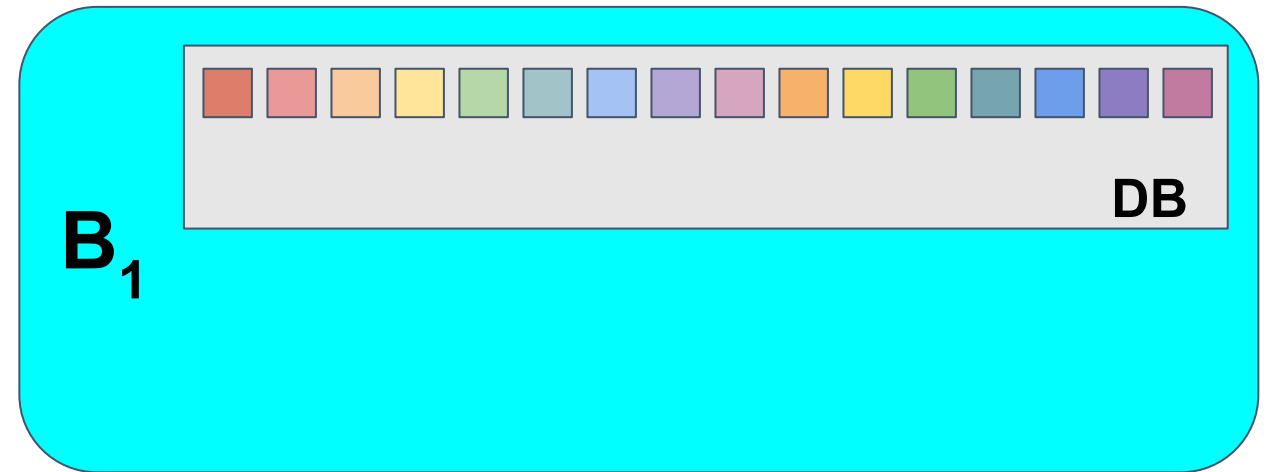
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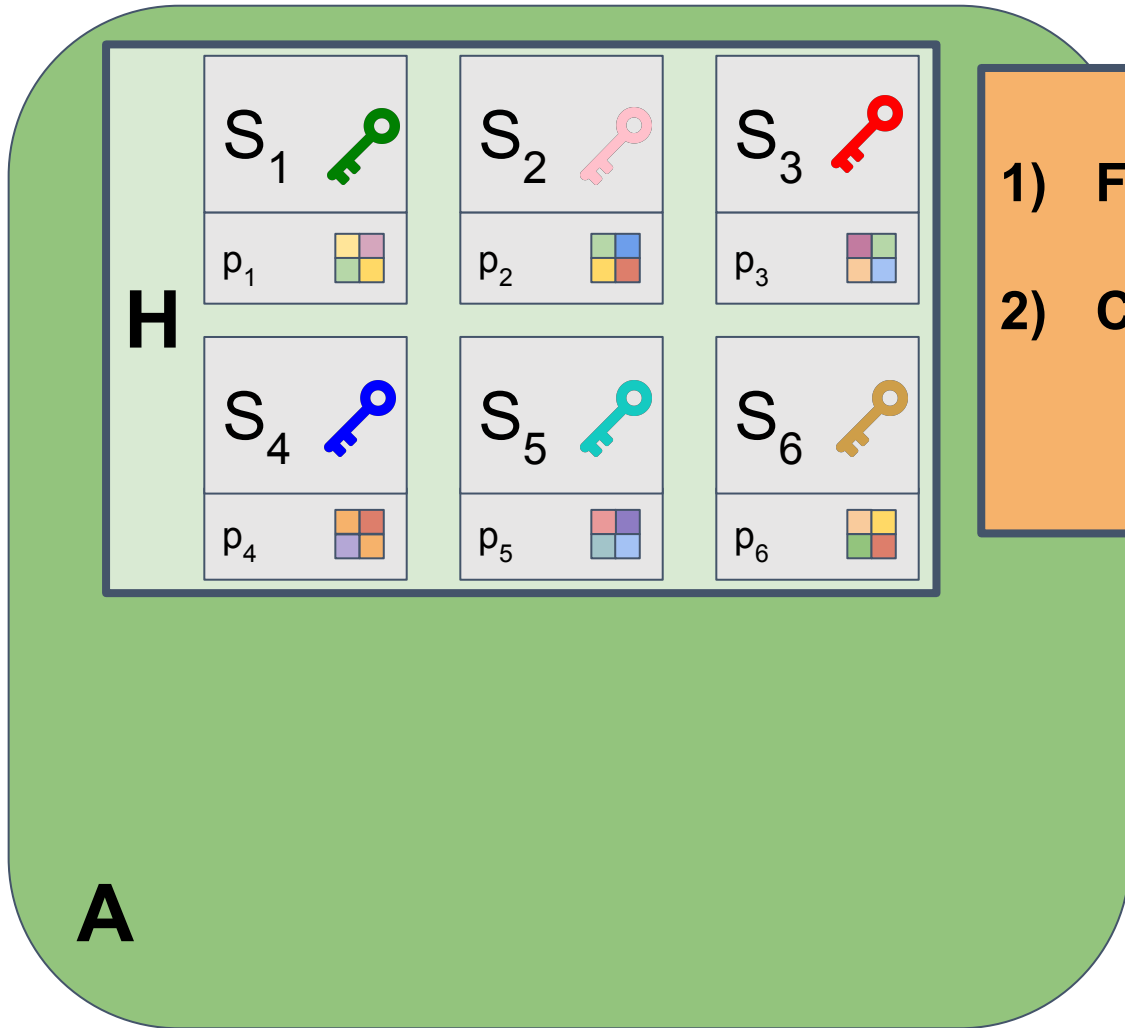
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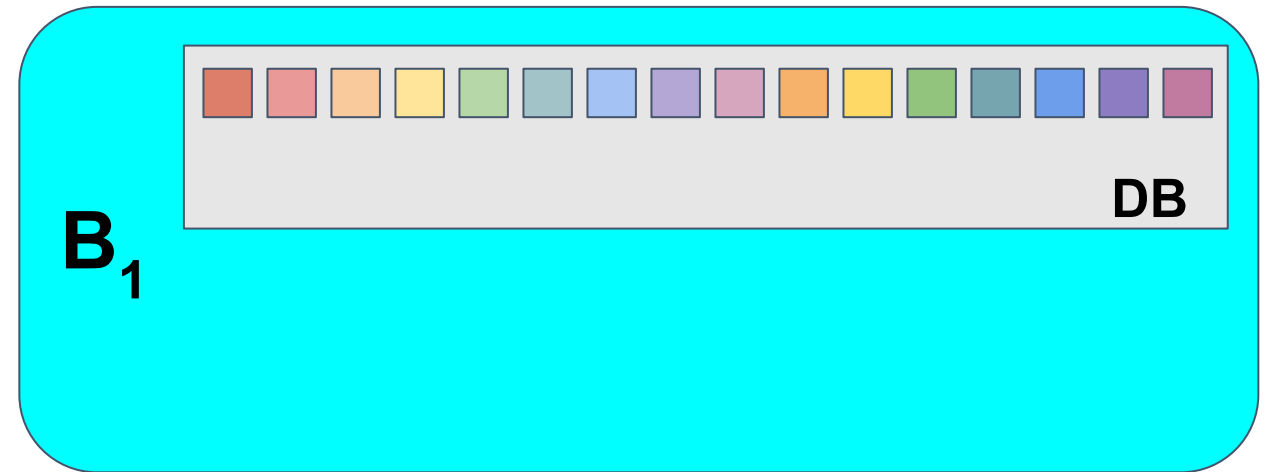
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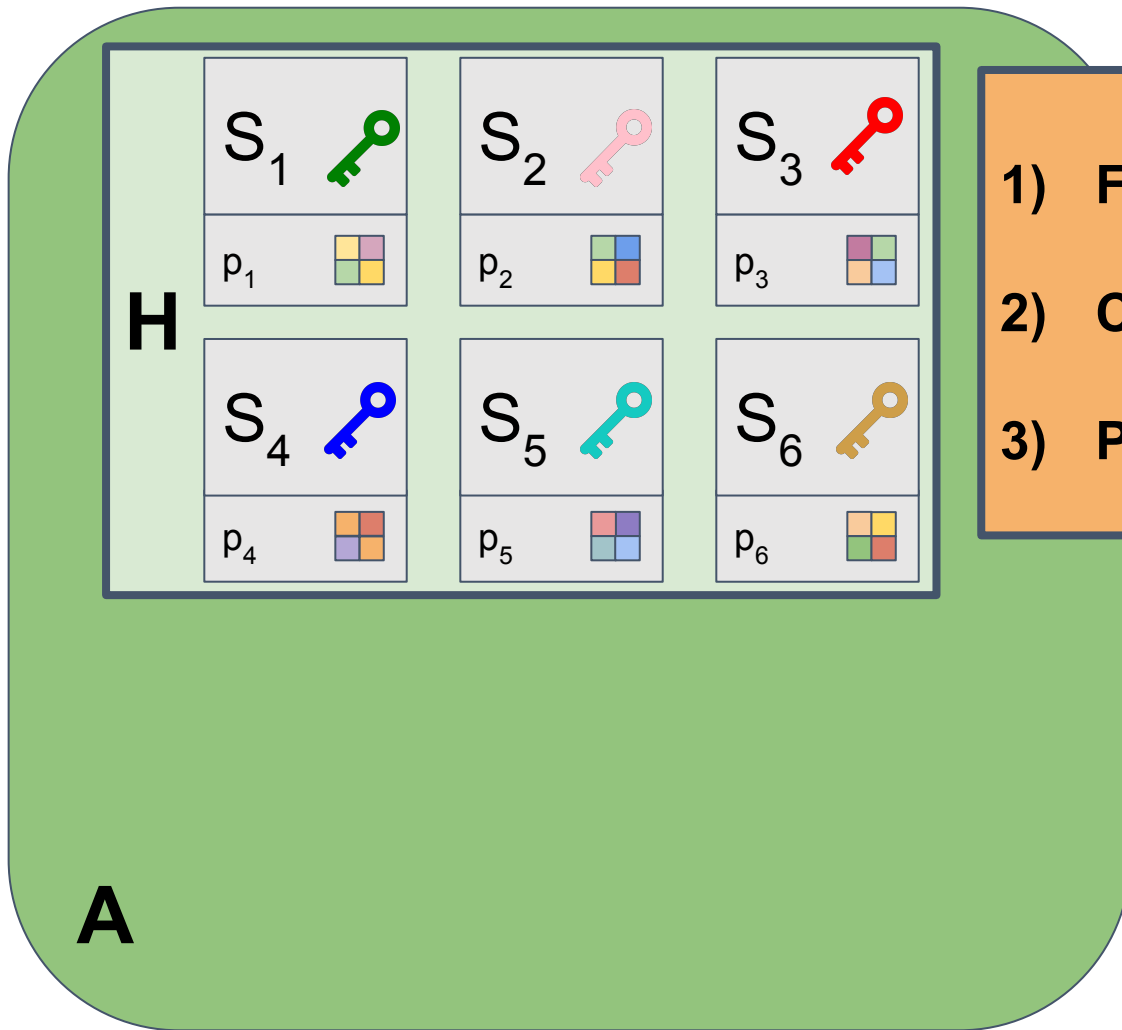
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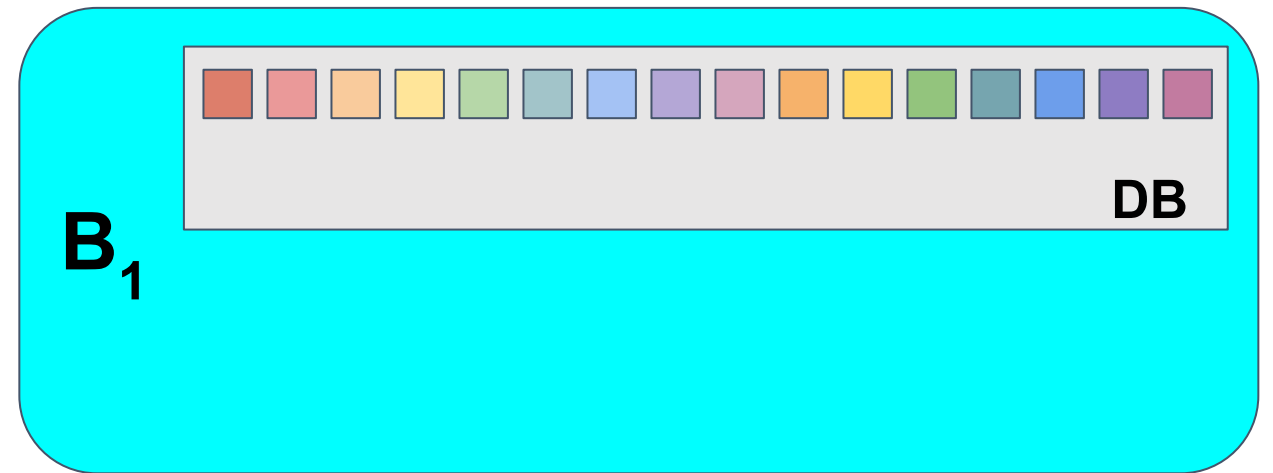
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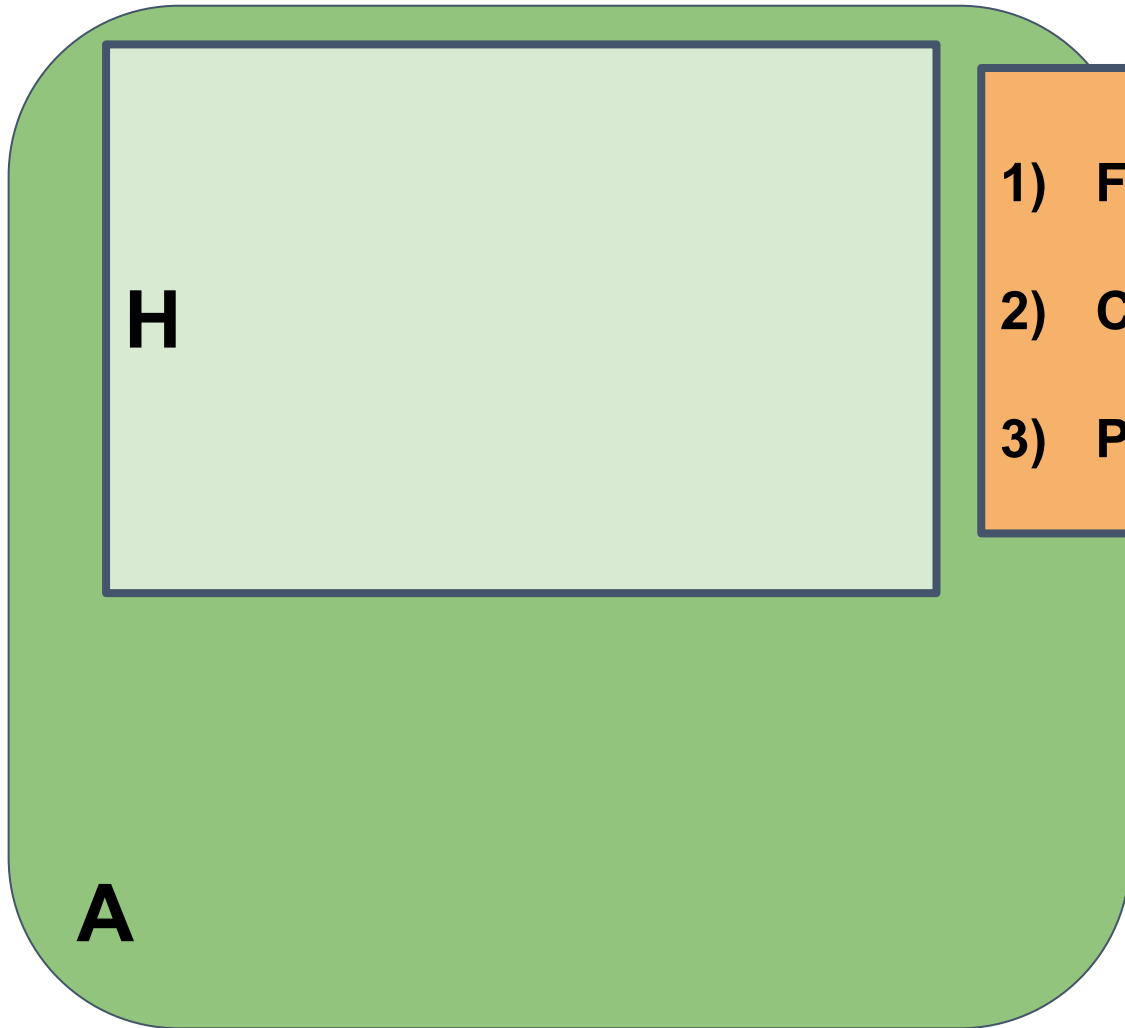


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- 3) Practical

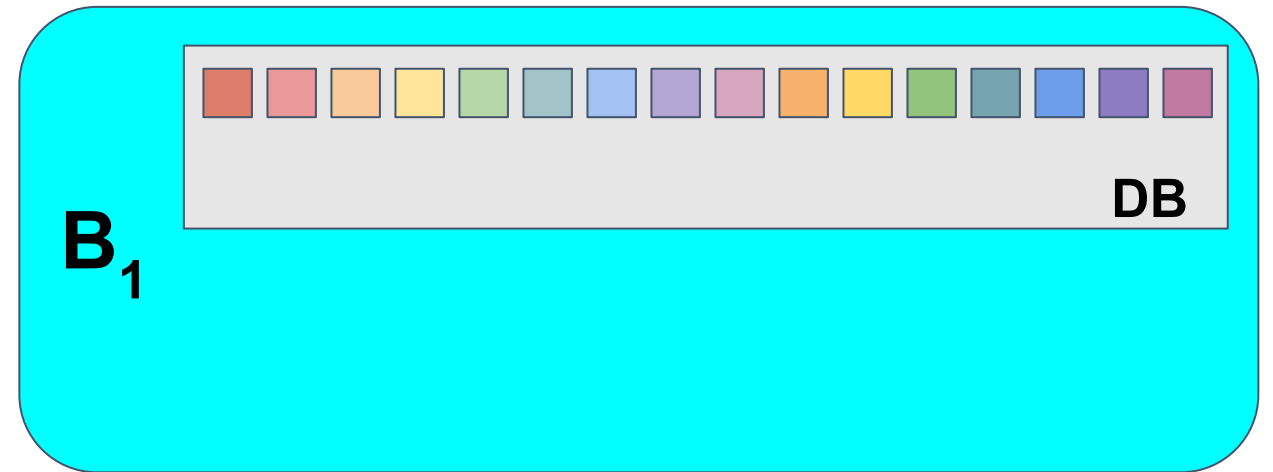


# Modifying Client's Hint

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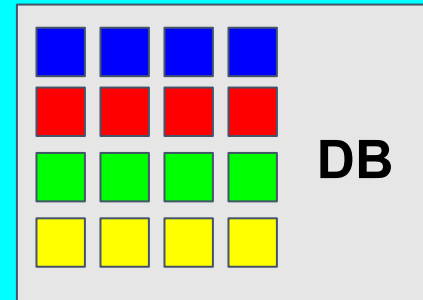
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**H**

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**A**

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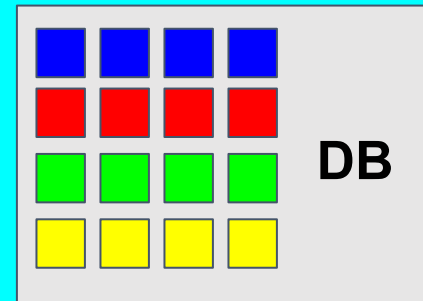
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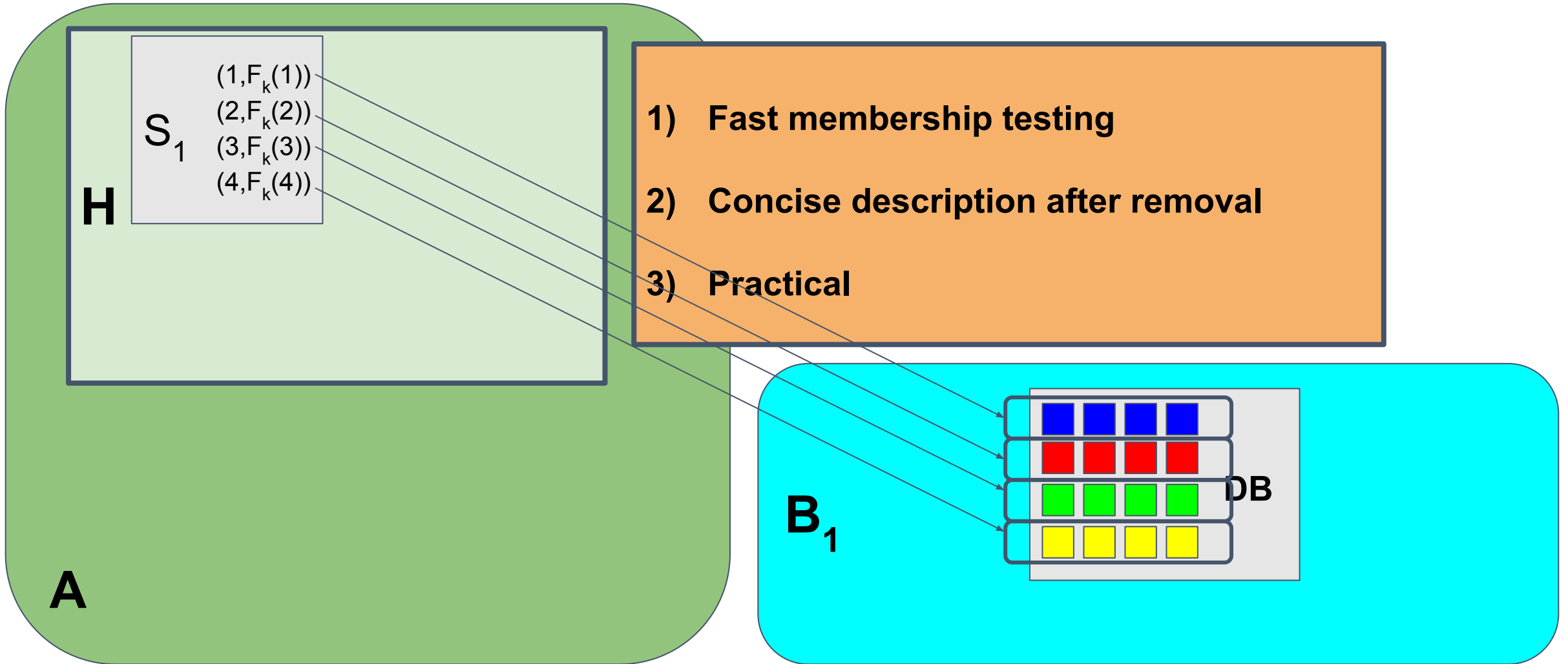
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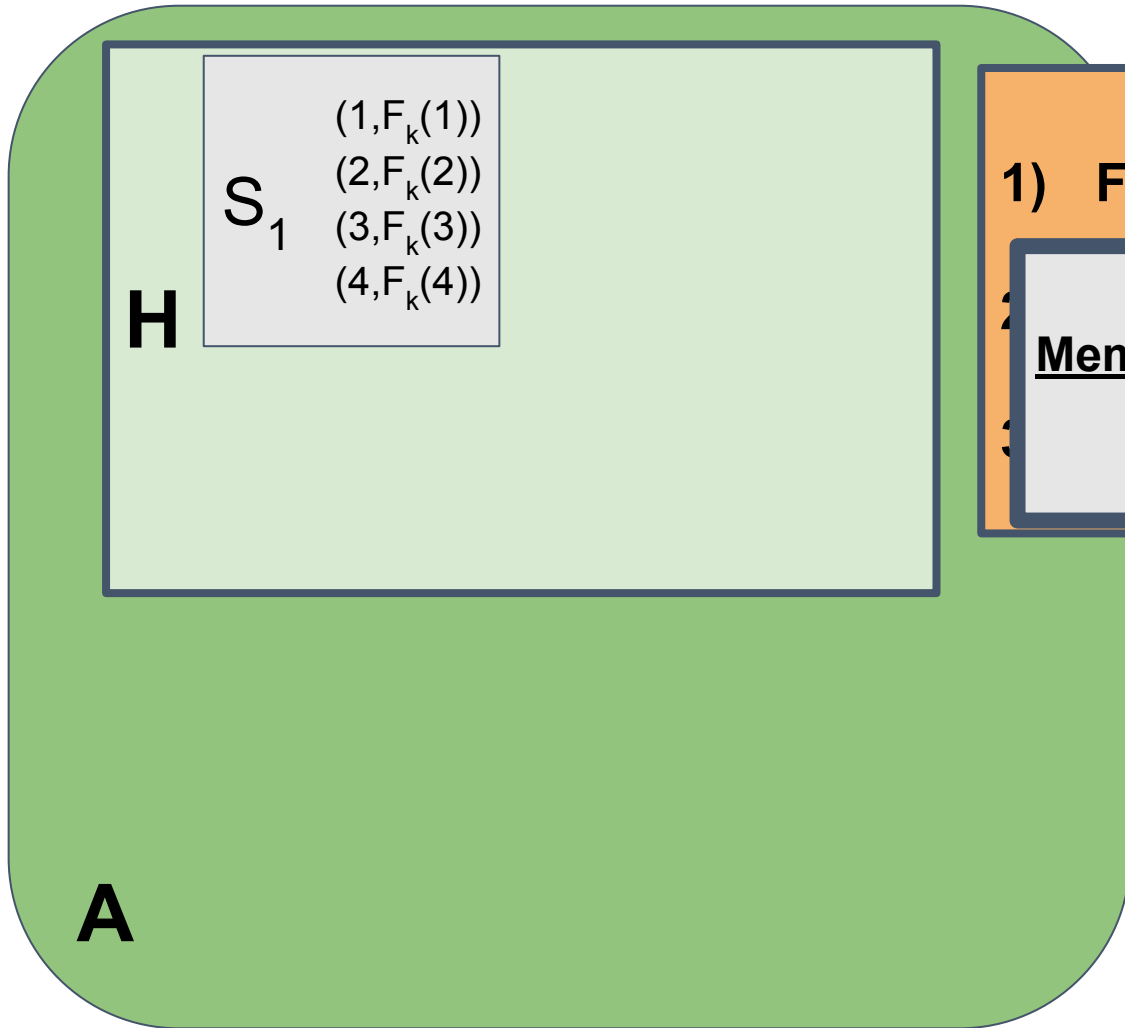
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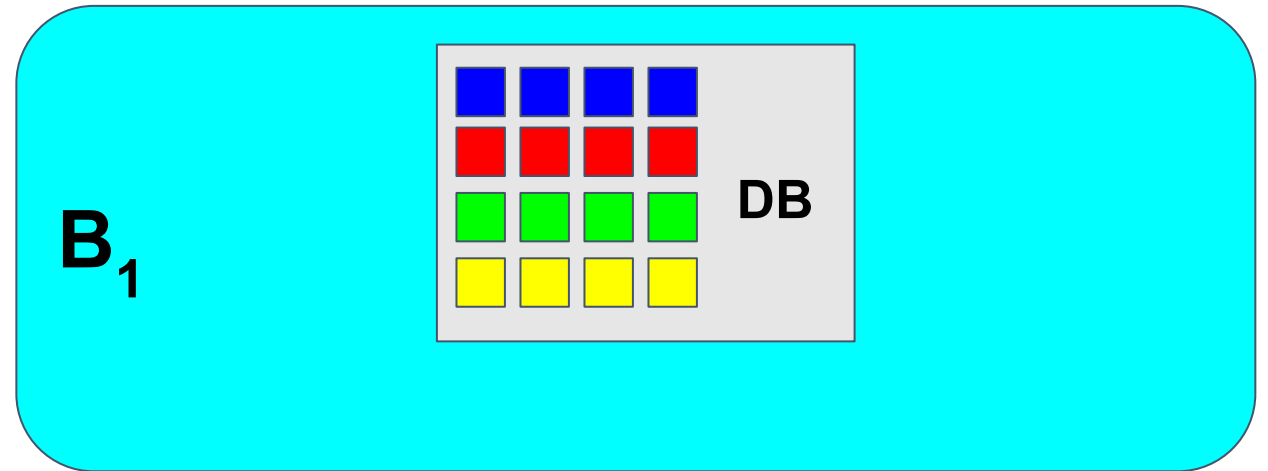


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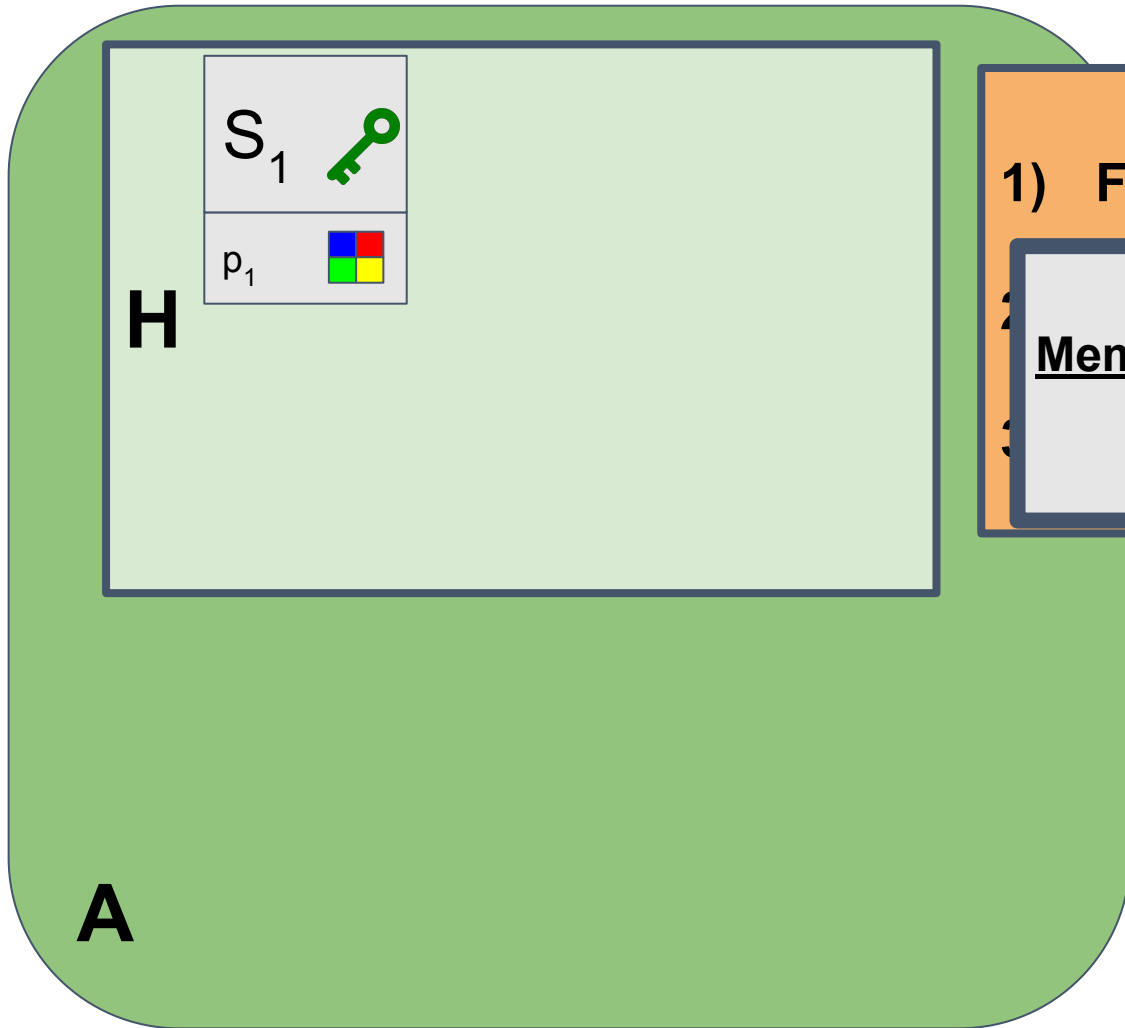


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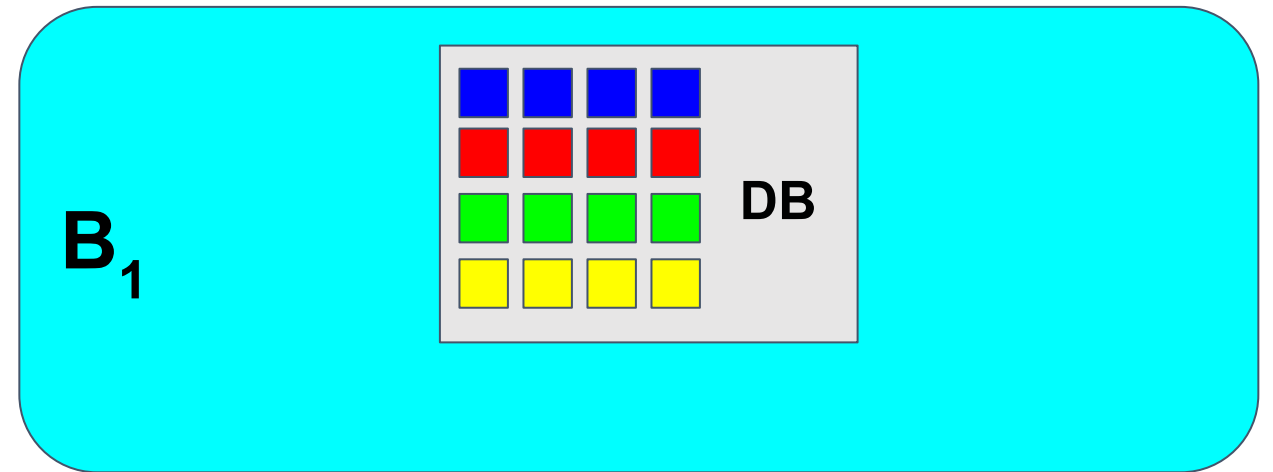


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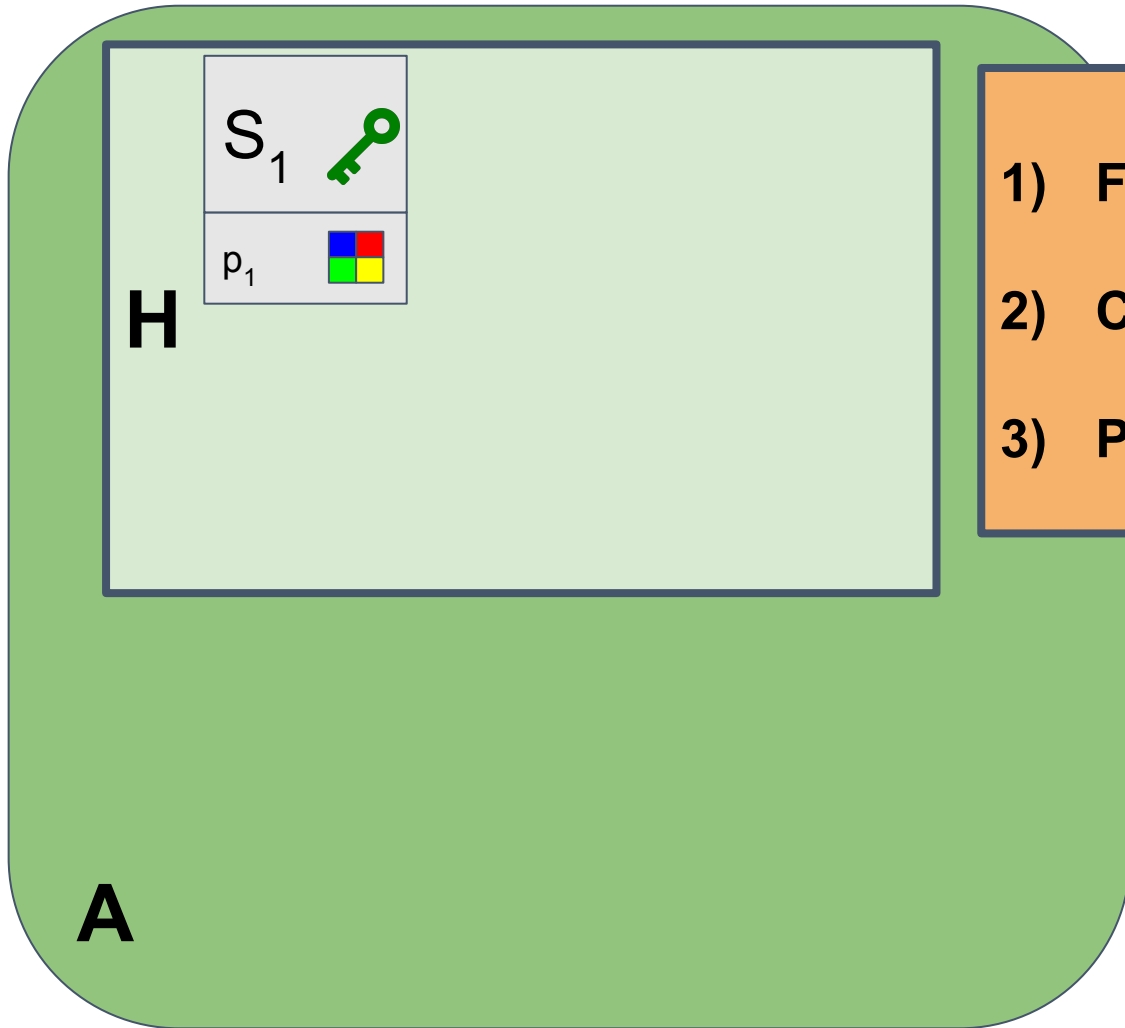


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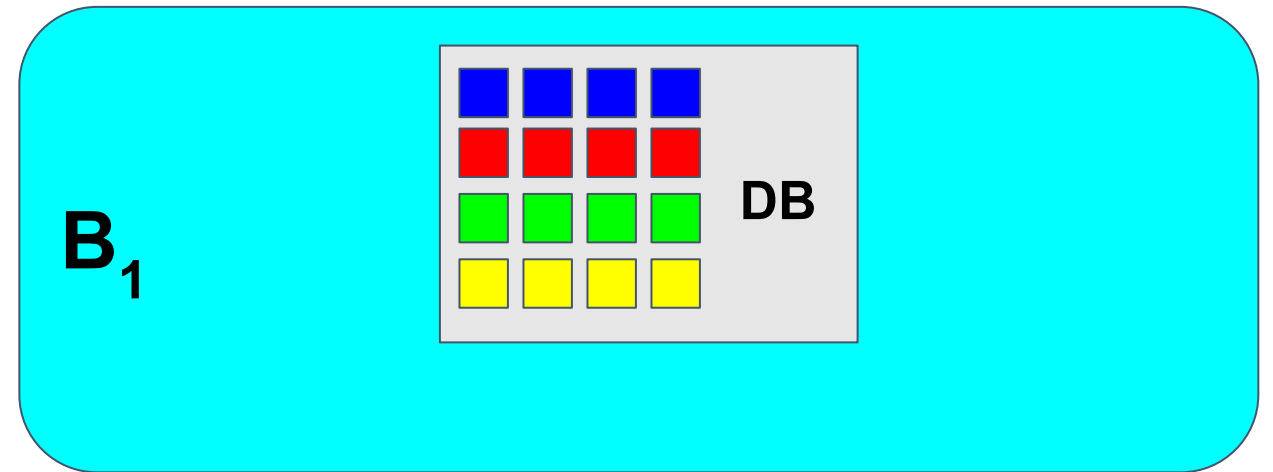
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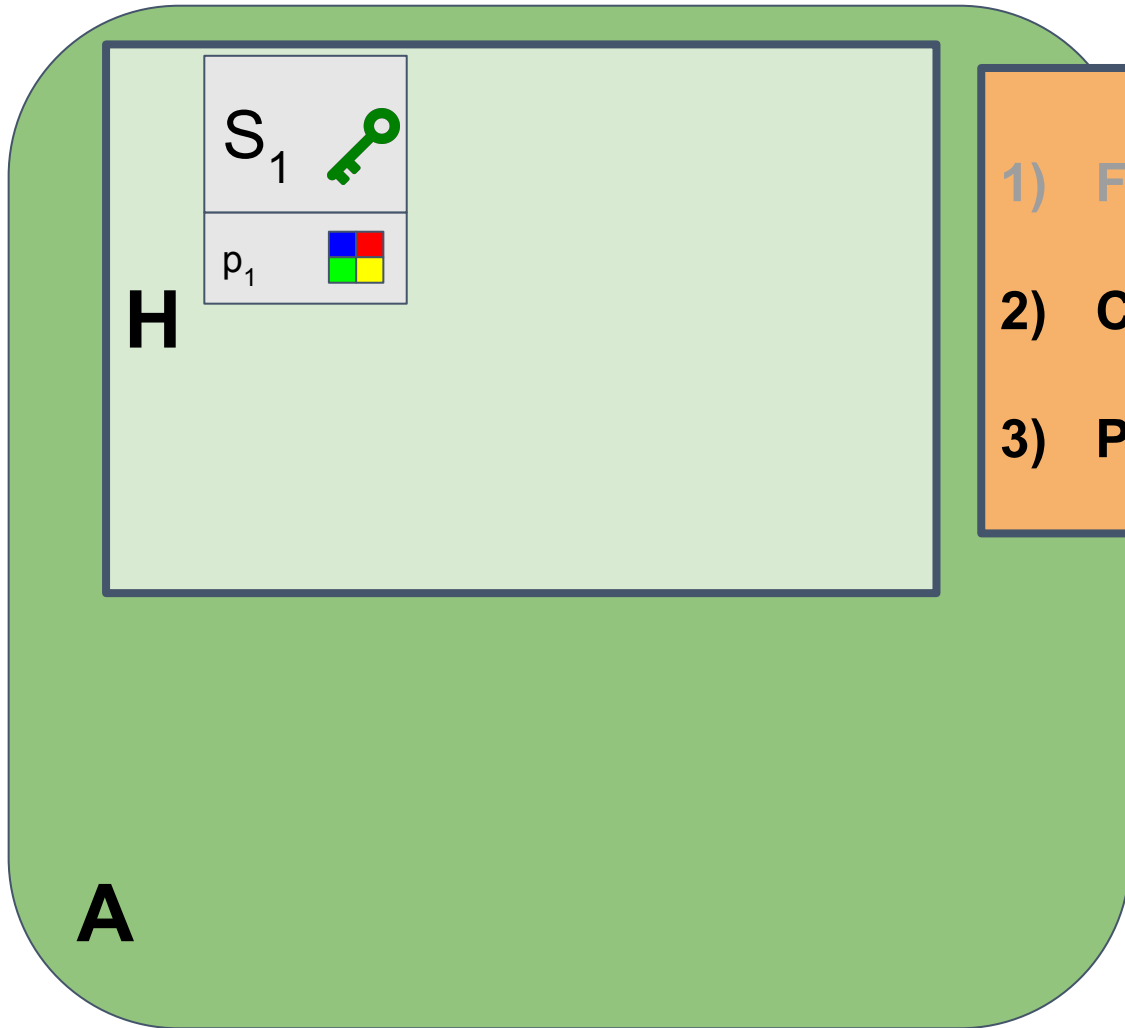
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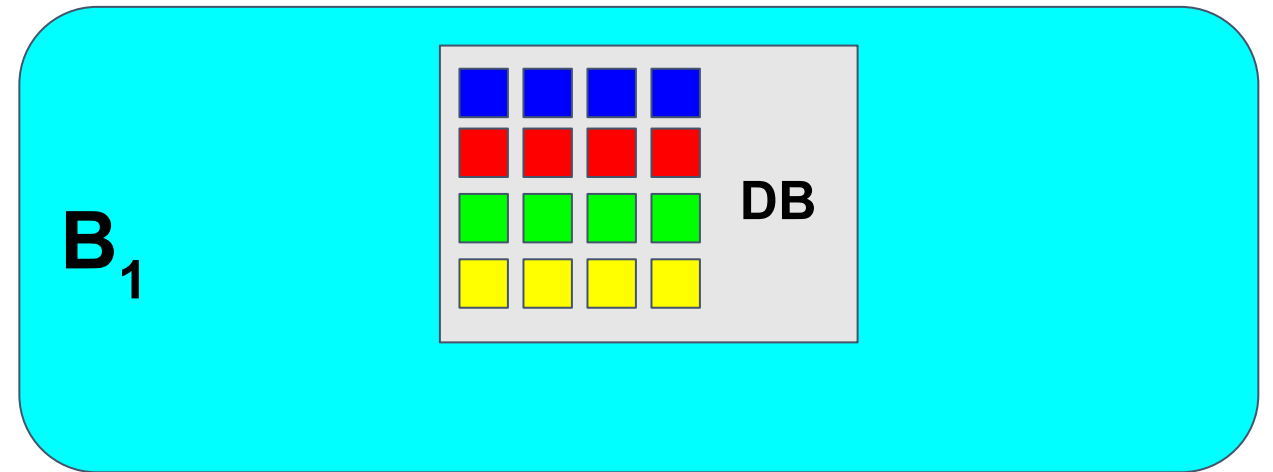
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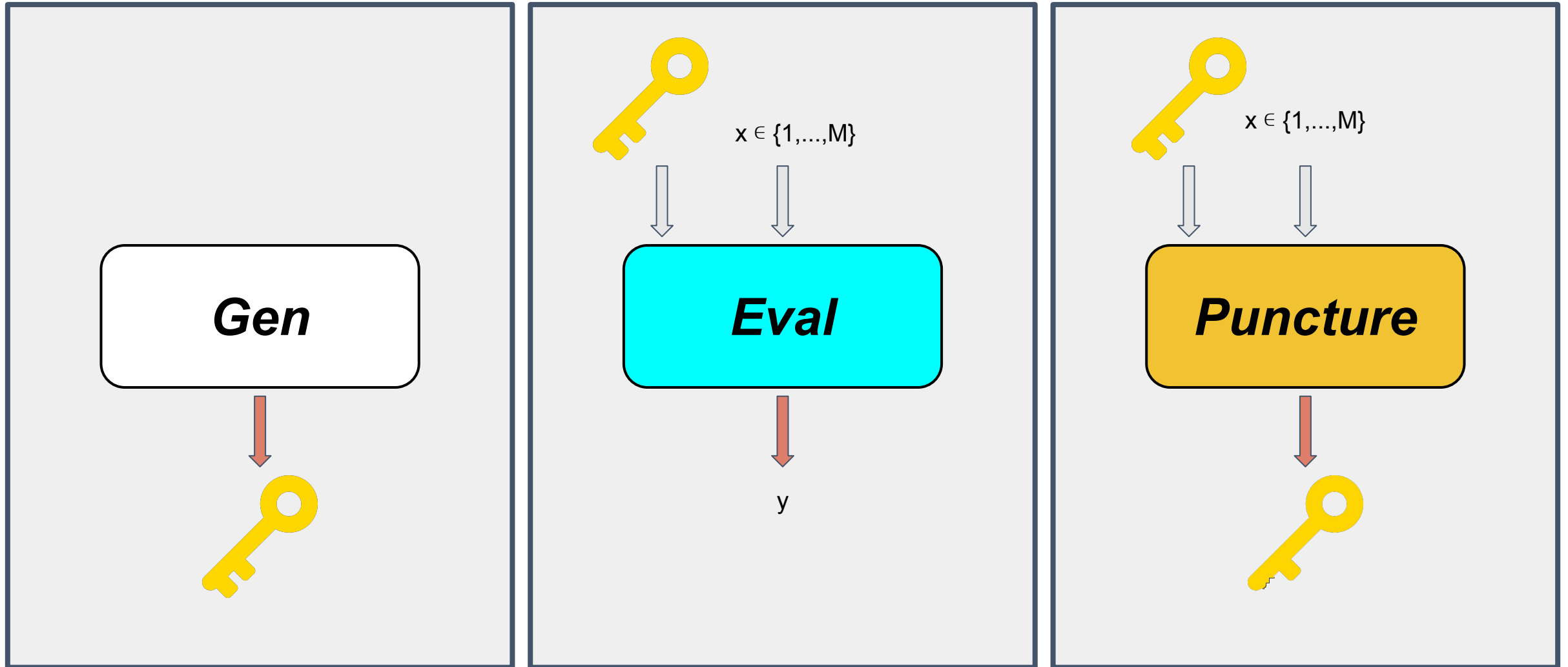
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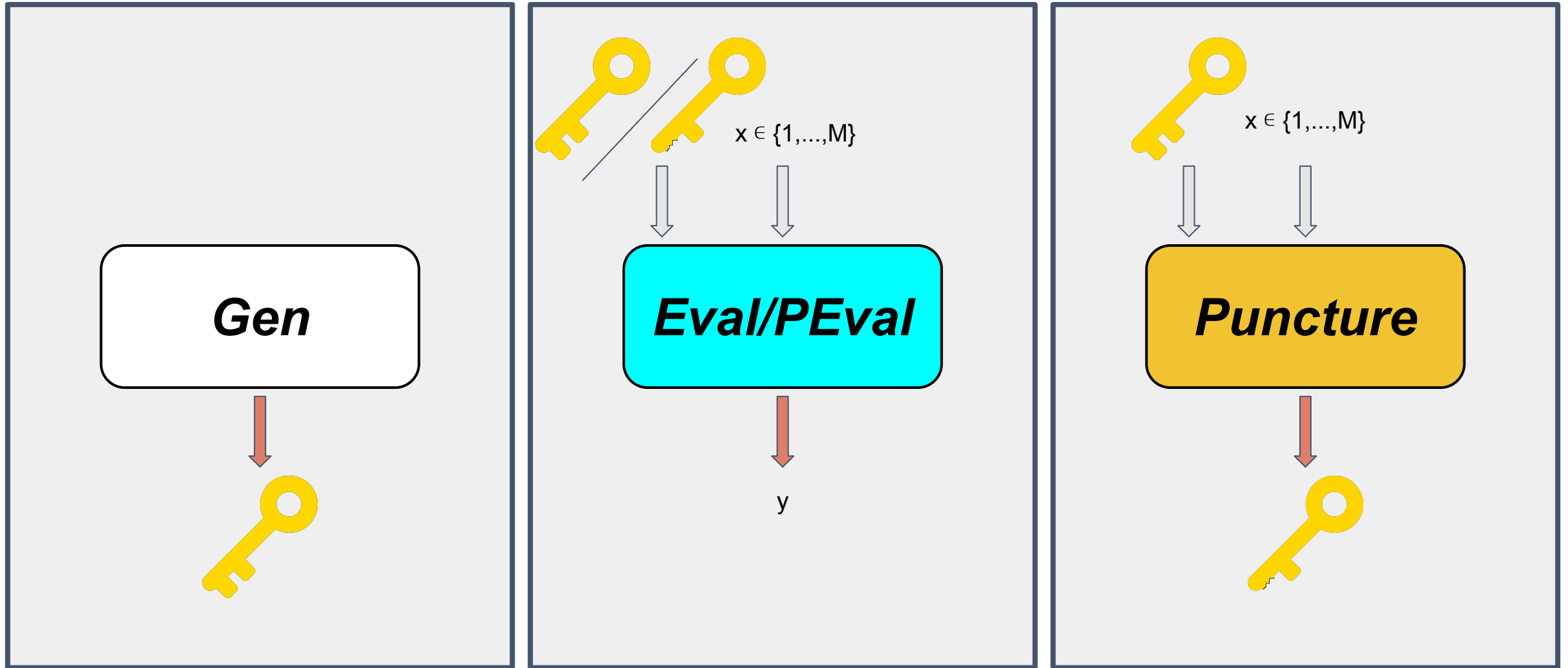
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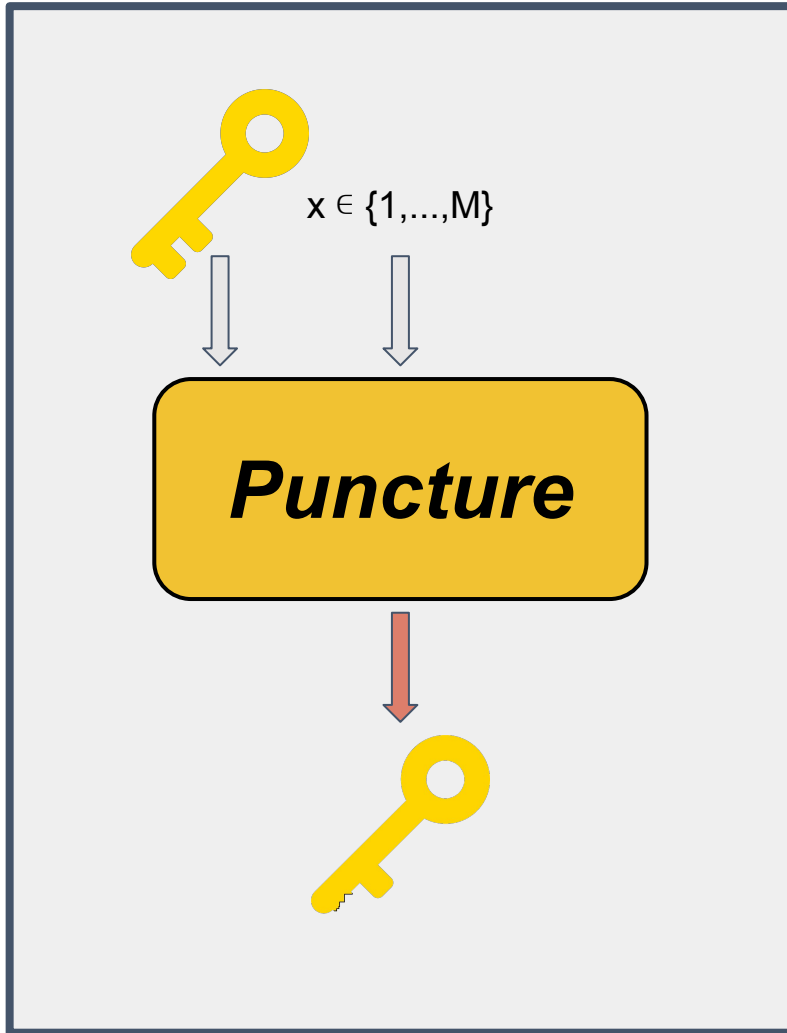


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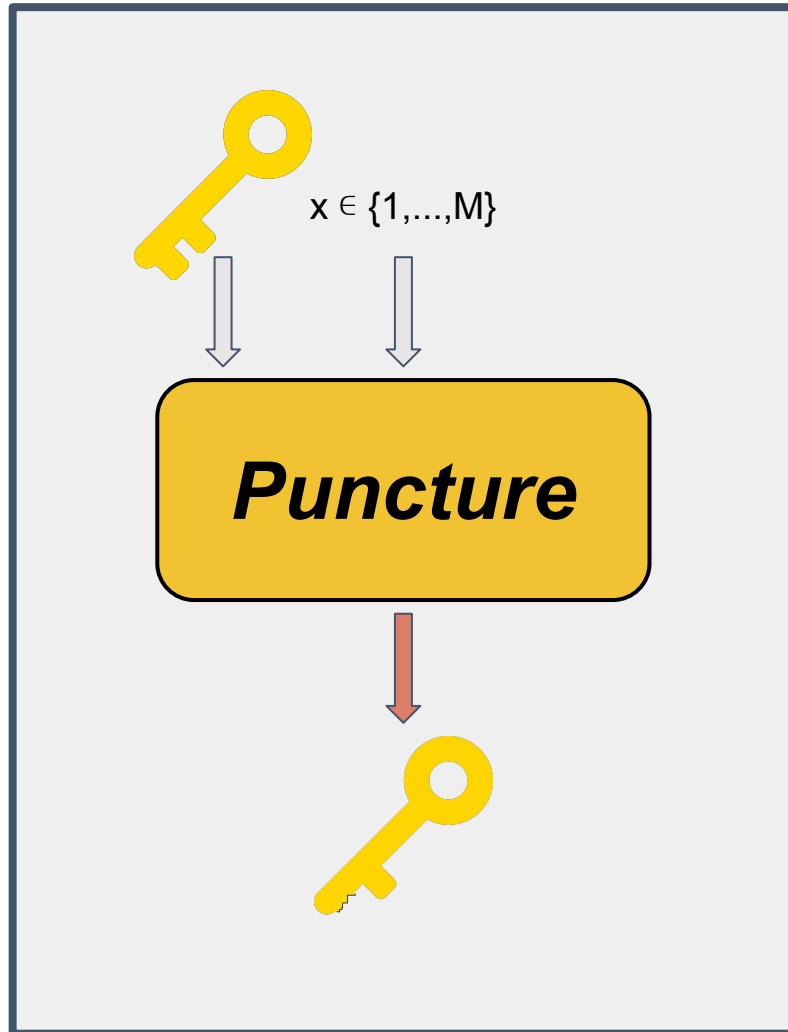
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For any input  $x' \neq x$ , punctured key evaluates to same output as original key

# Puncture on Puncturable PRF [BW '13, KPTZ '13, BGI '14, ...]



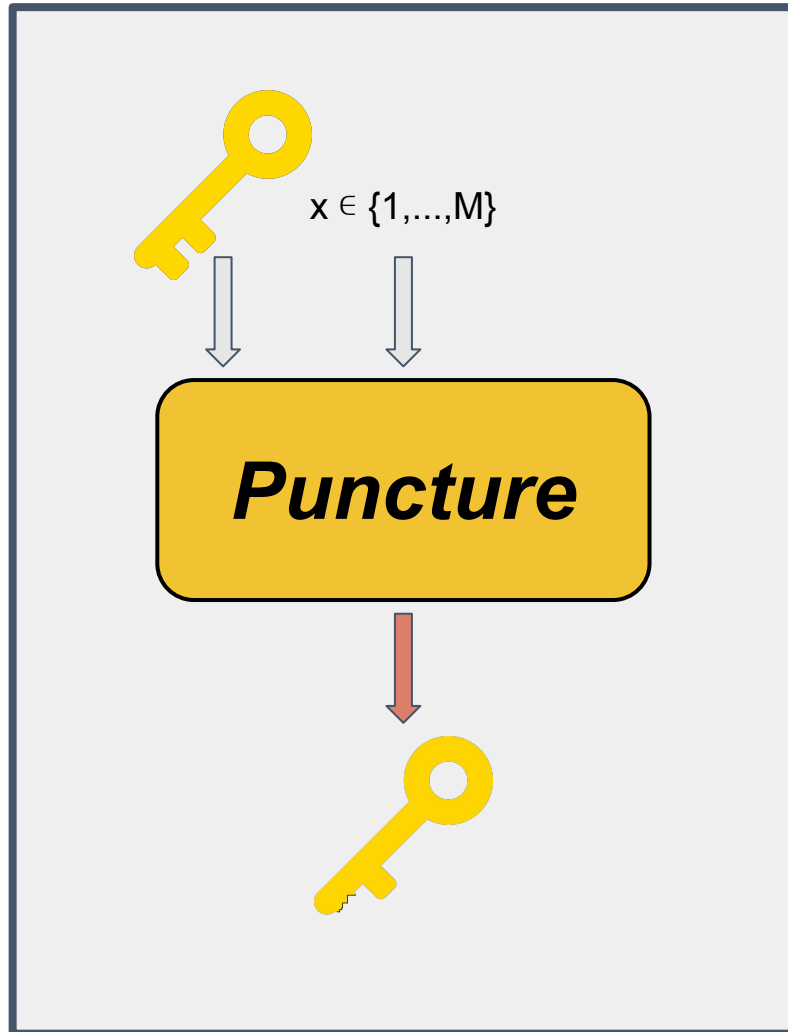
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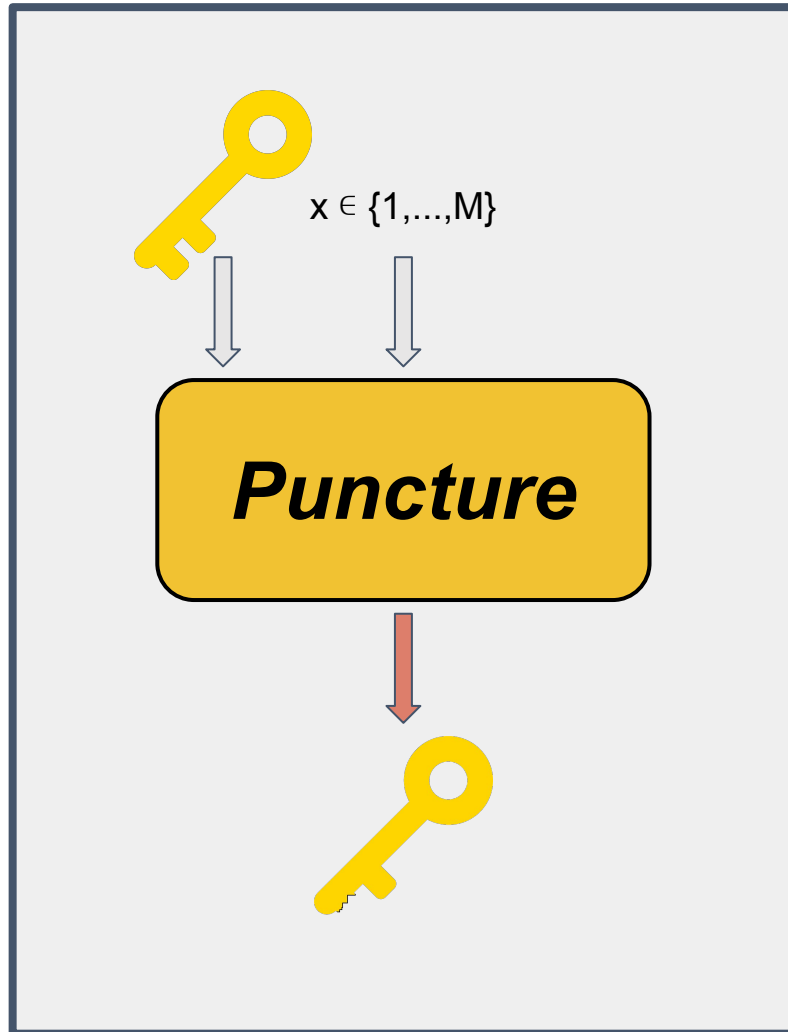
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**Recall:** if  $x = (i, j)$  and sets are made of tuples  $(i, F_k(i))$ , if we send to  $\mathbf{B}_0$   $k' \leftarrow \text{Puncture}(k, i)$ , it hides  $F_k(i)$  but *does not hide*  $i$

# Puncture on **Privately** Puncturable PRF [BLW '15, BKM '17, CC '17, ...]



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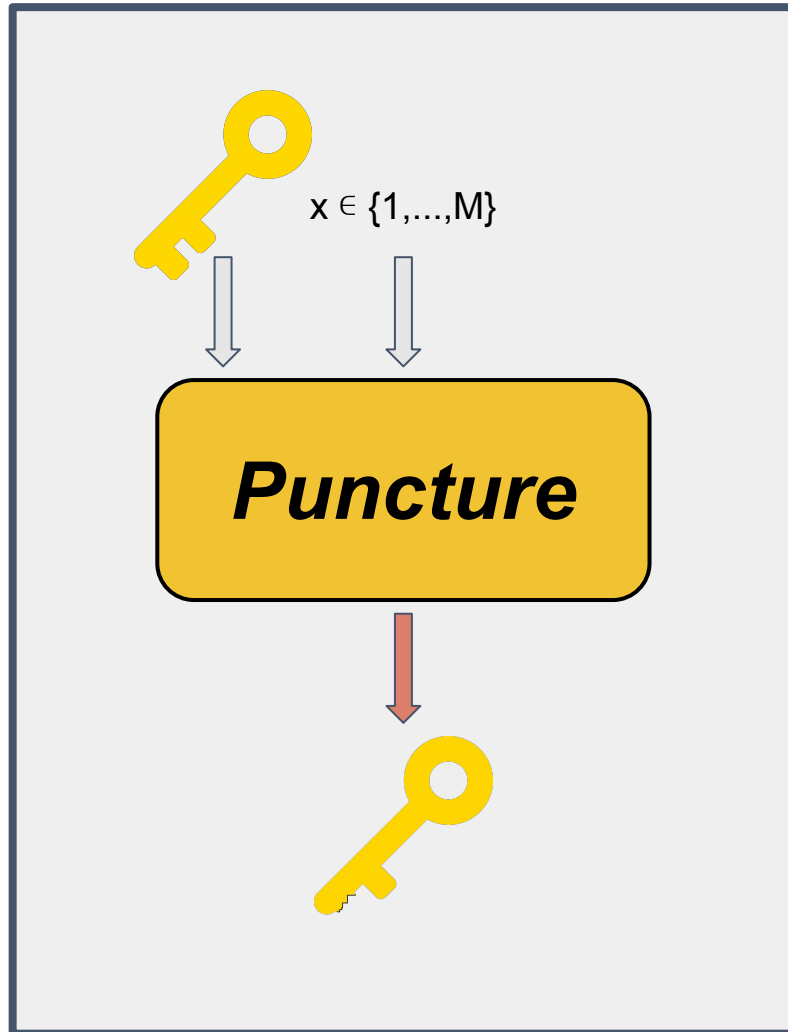
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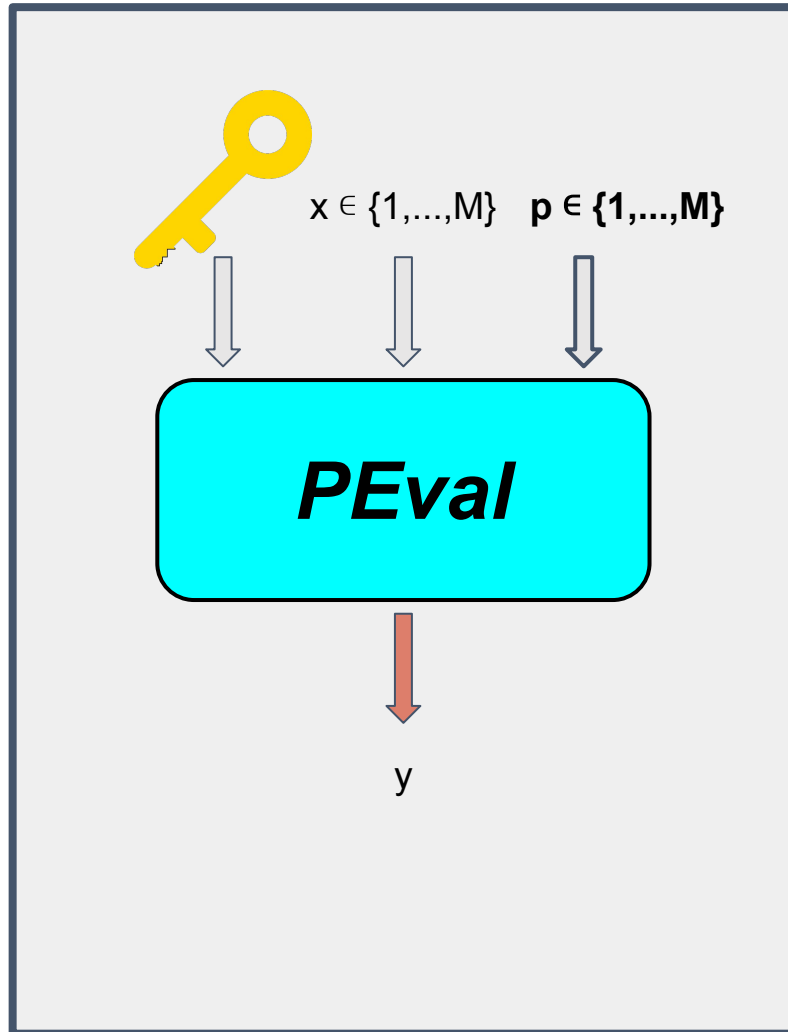
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[SACM '21]: First construction of sublinear time, polylog bandwidth PIR, using ppPRFs

# Weak Privately Puncturable PRF



## Weak Correctness:

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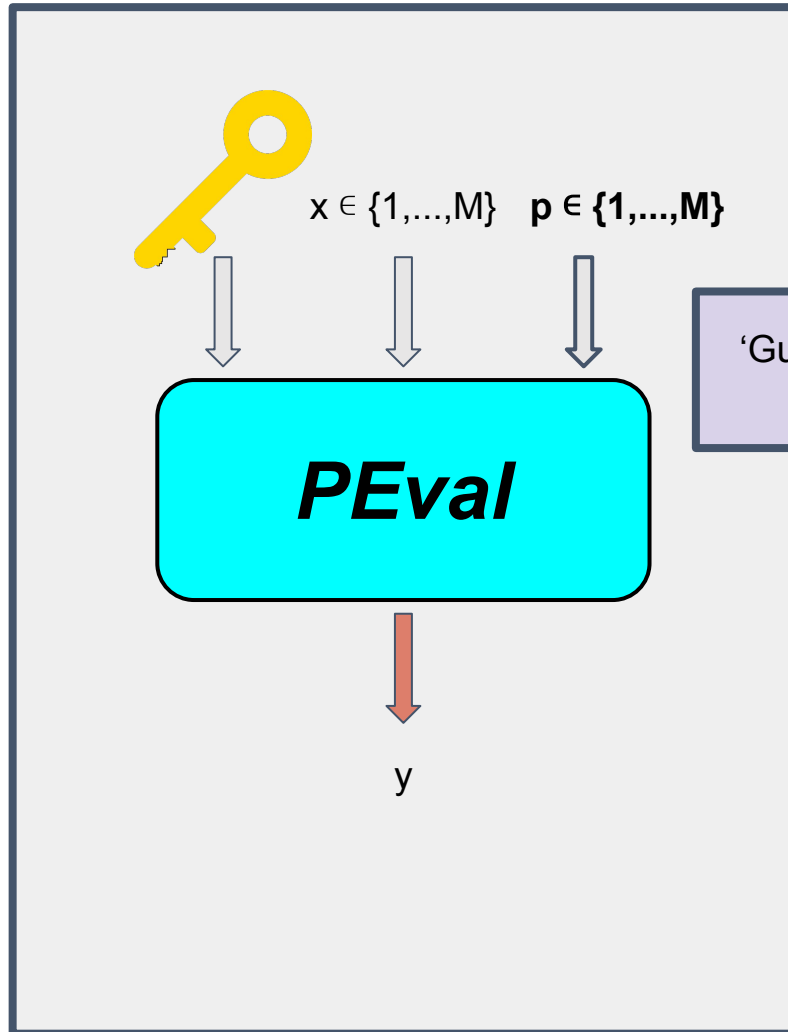
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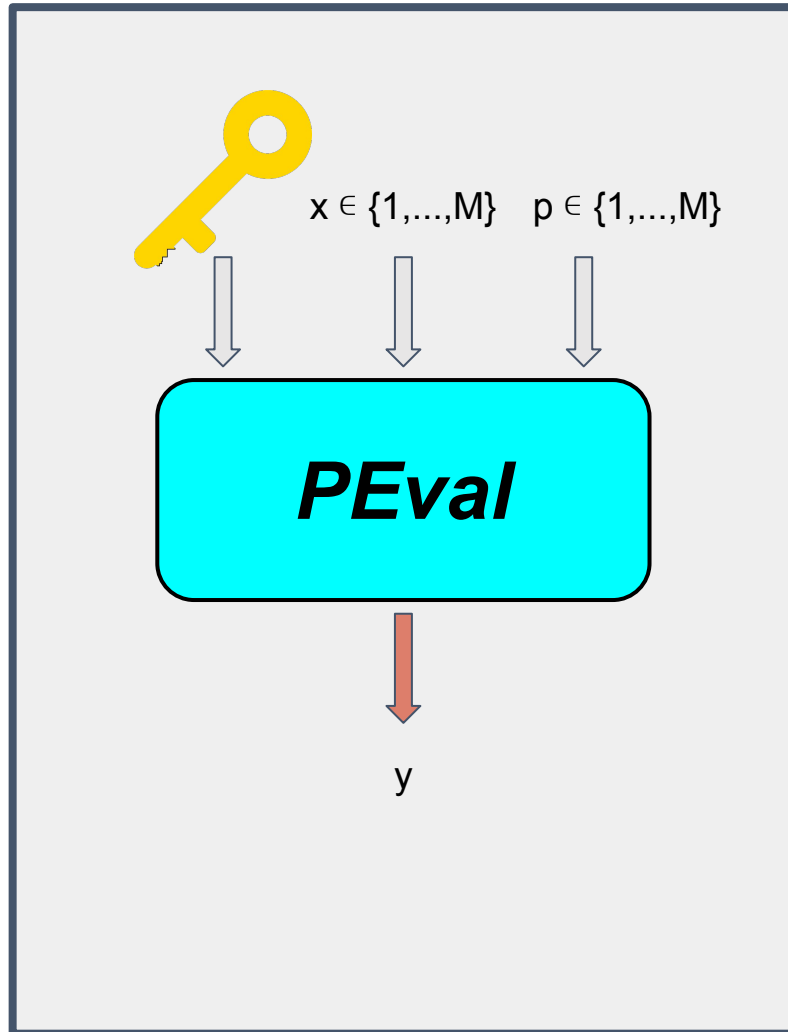
'Guess' of point that was punctured

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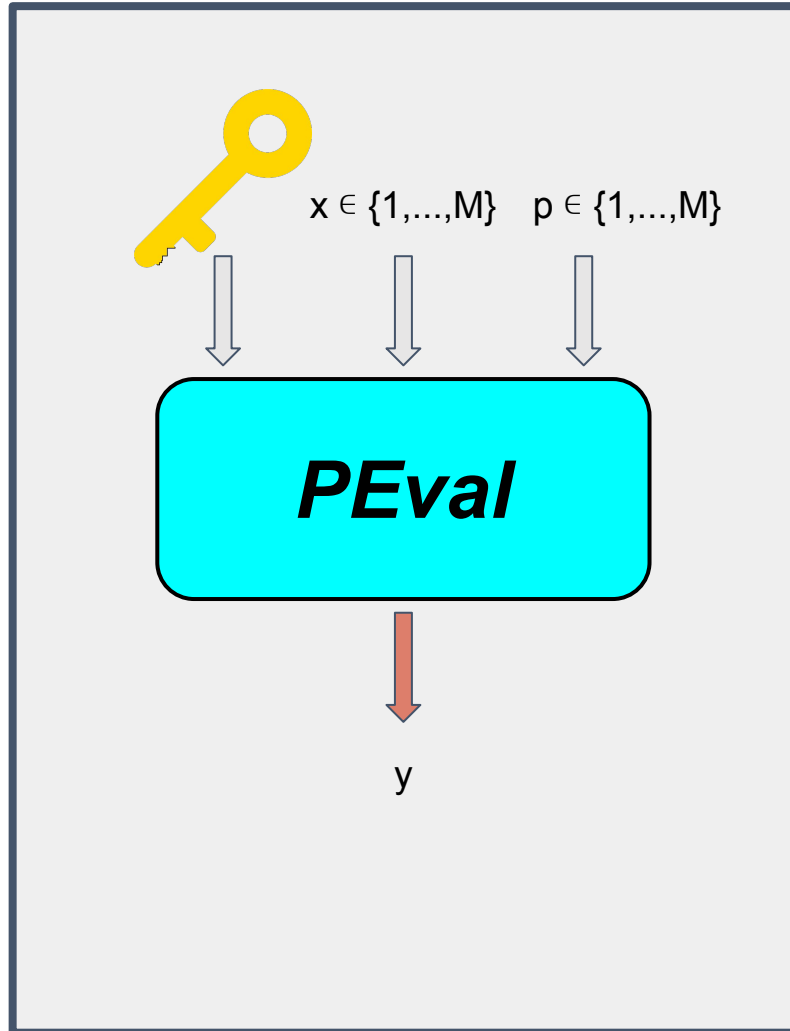
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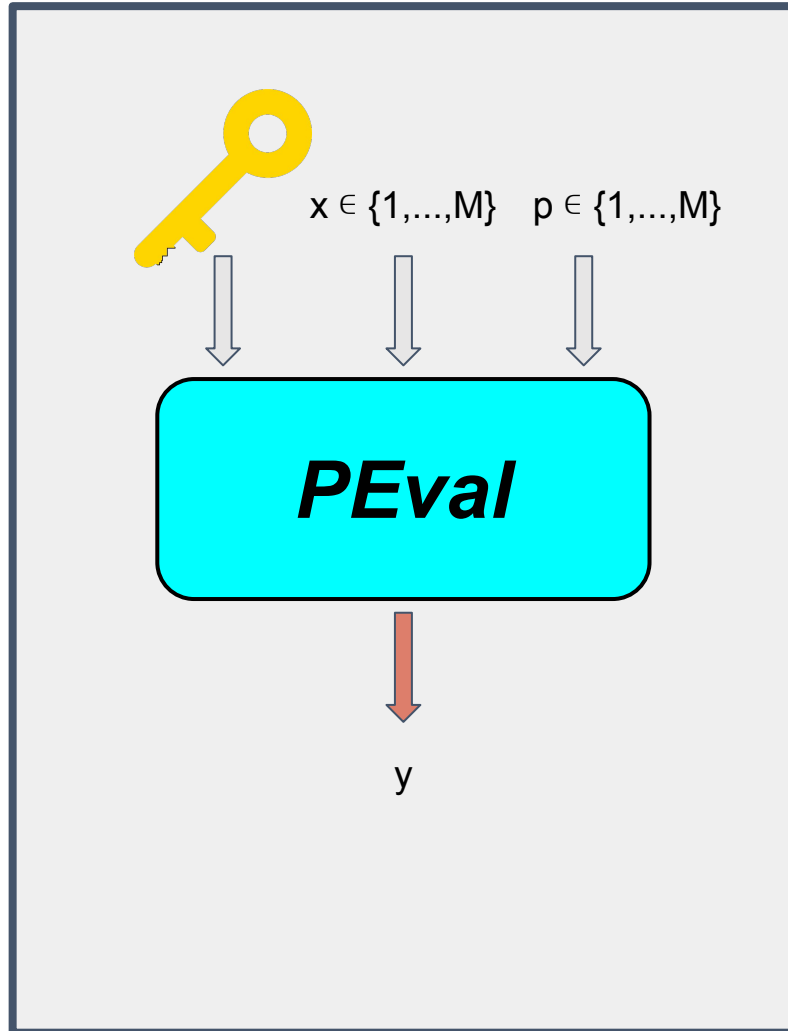
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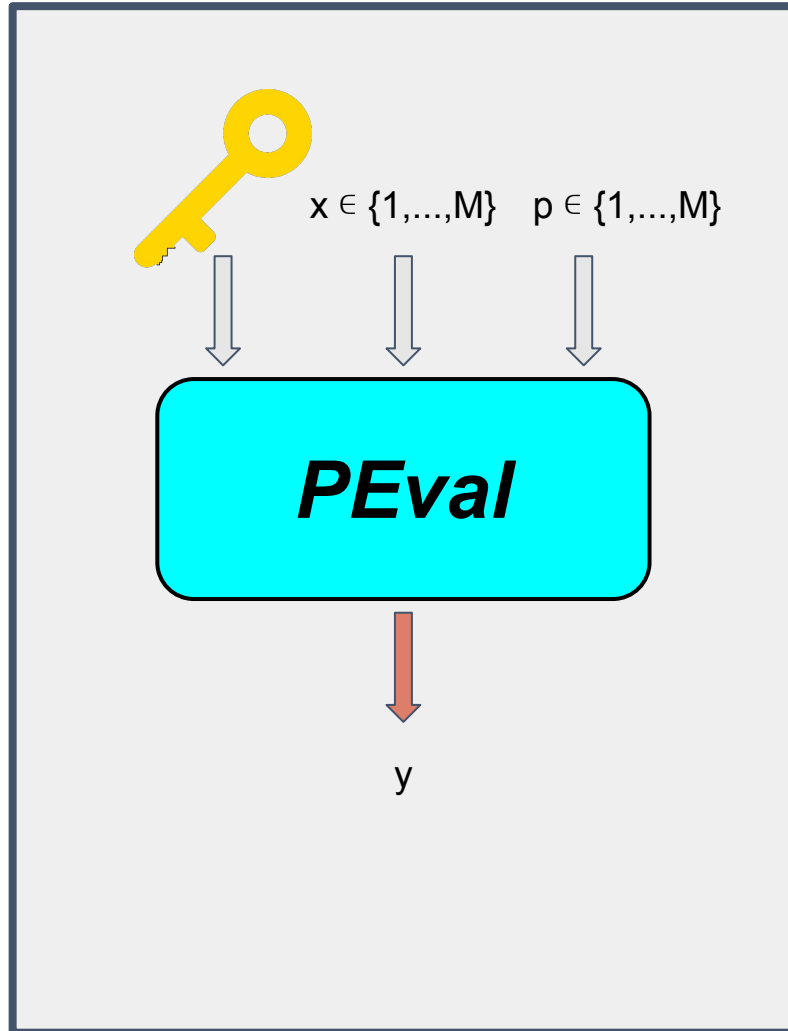
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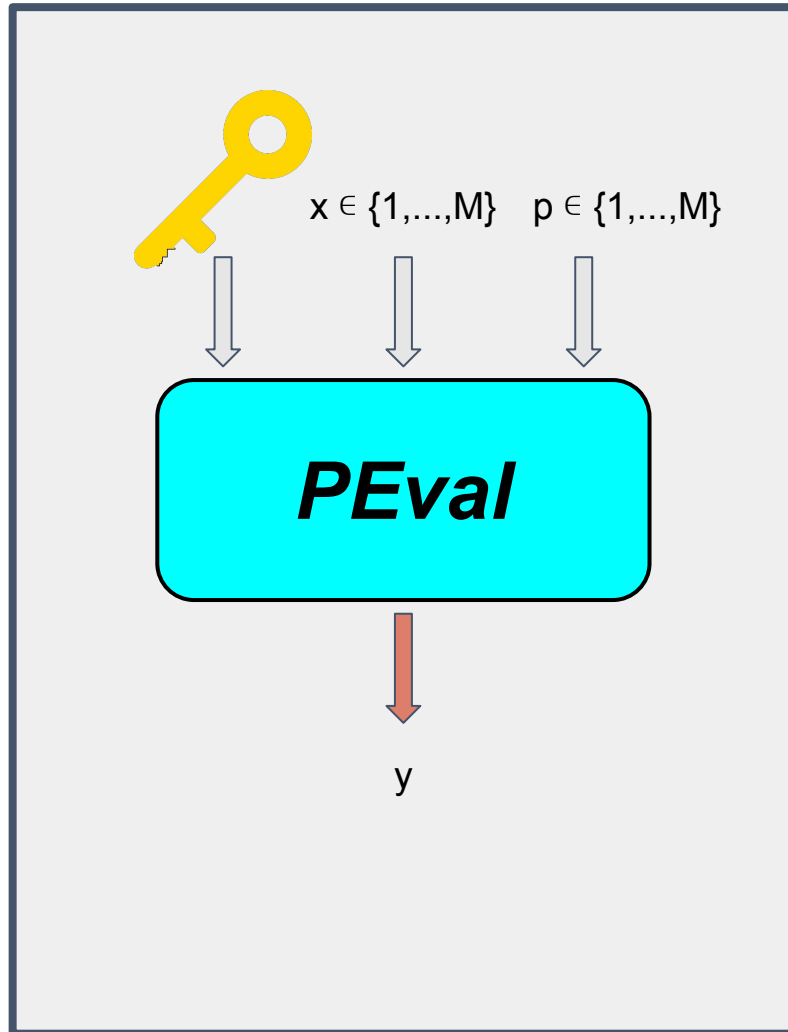
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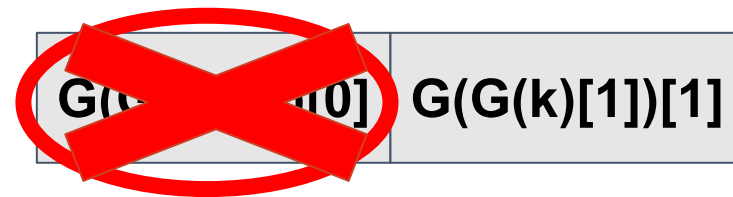
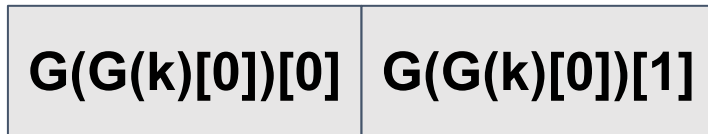
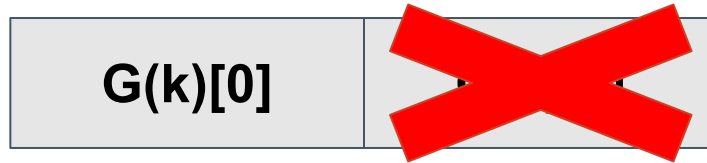
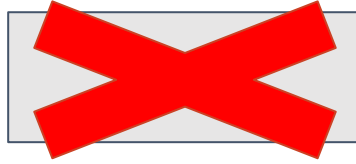
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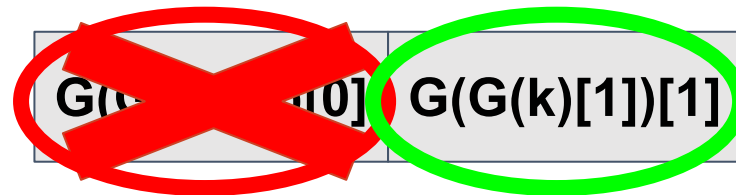
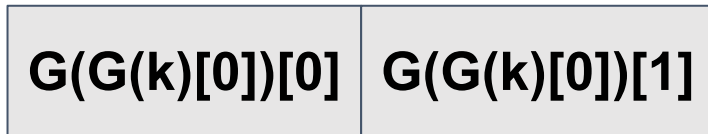
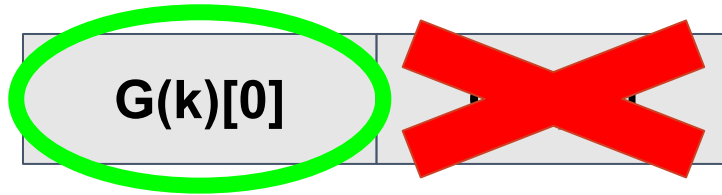
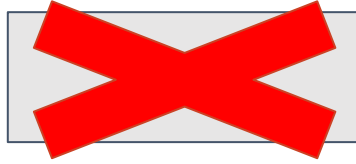
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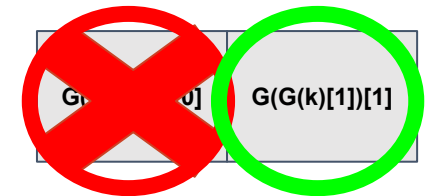
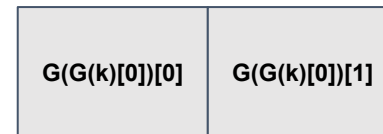
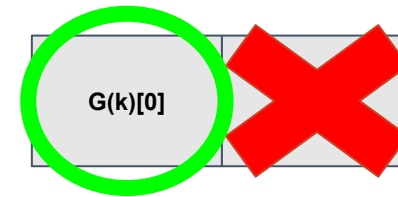
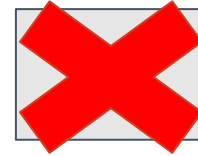
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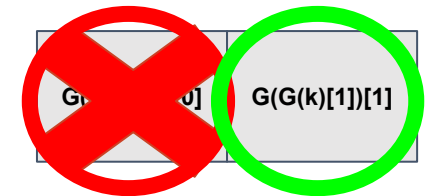
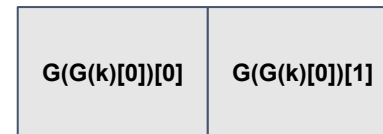
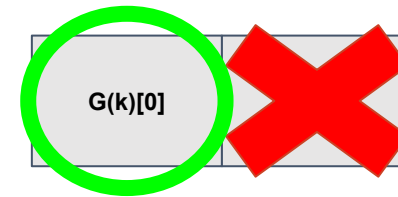
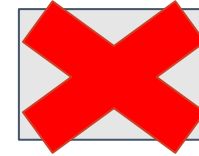
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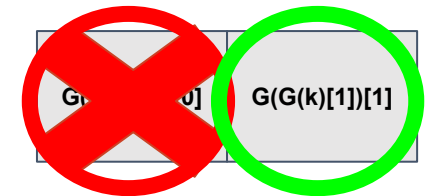
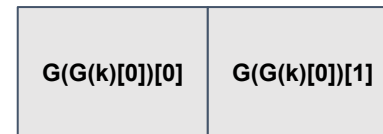
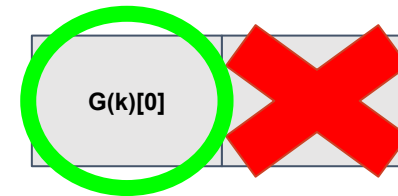
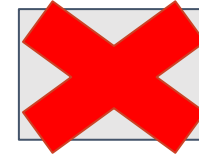


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index punctured

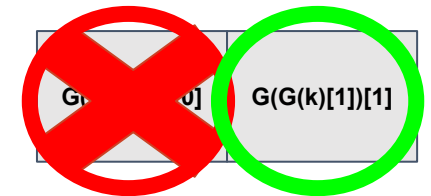
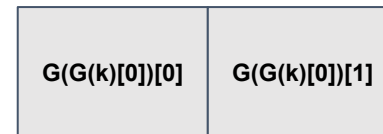
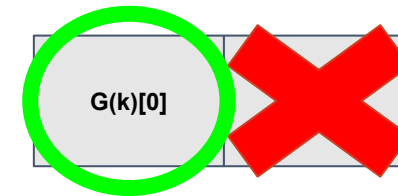
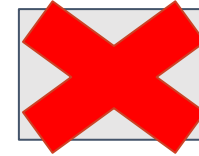
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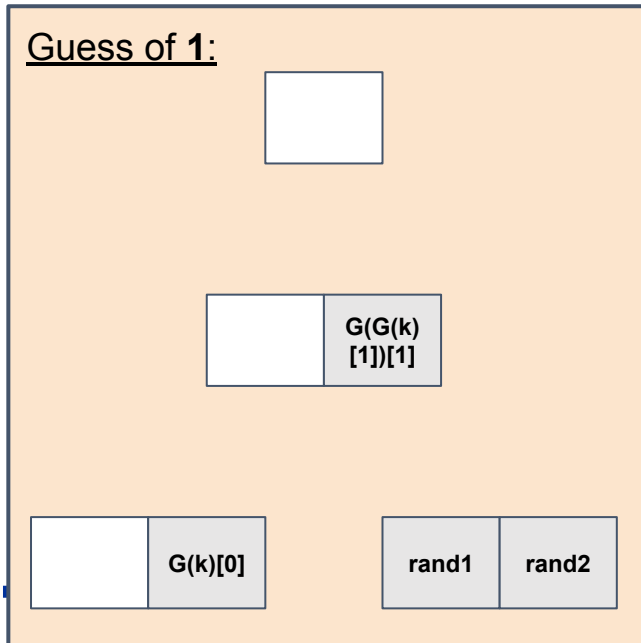
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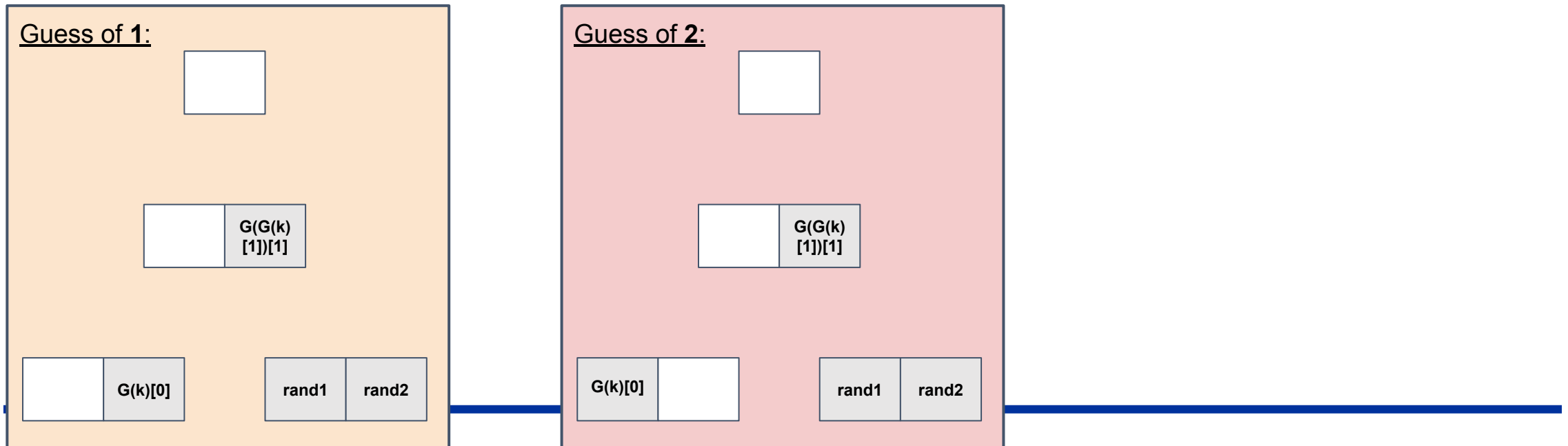


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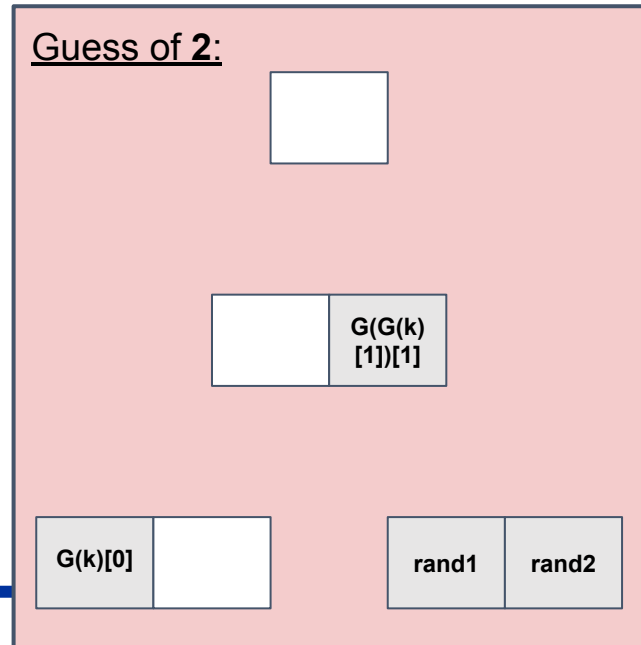
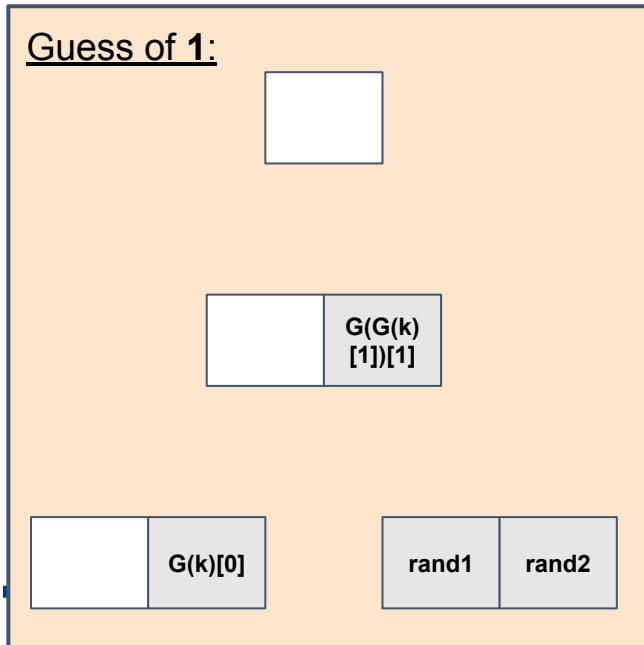
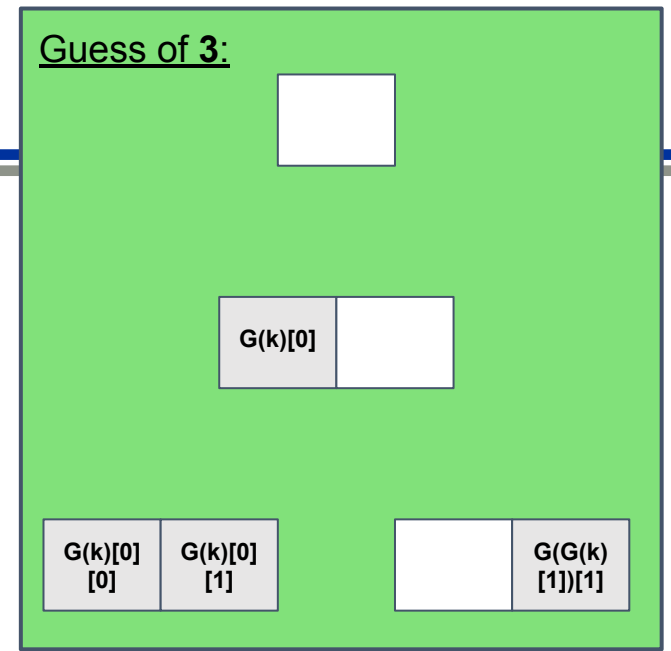


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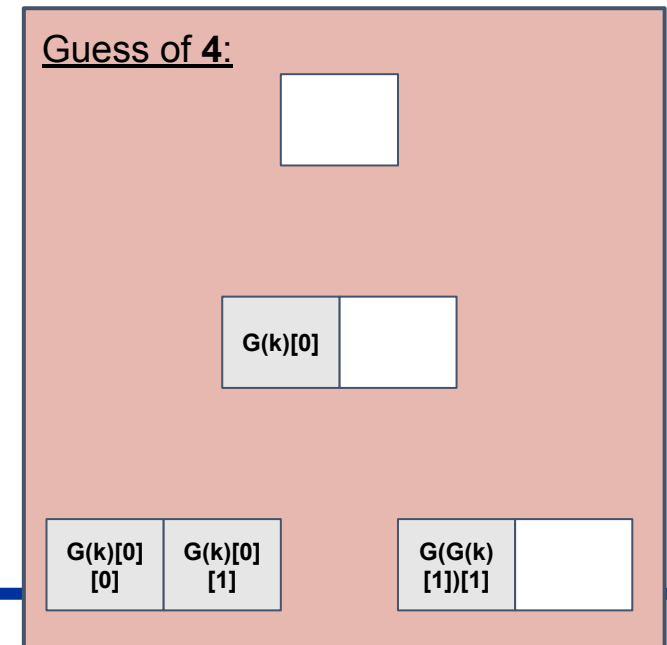
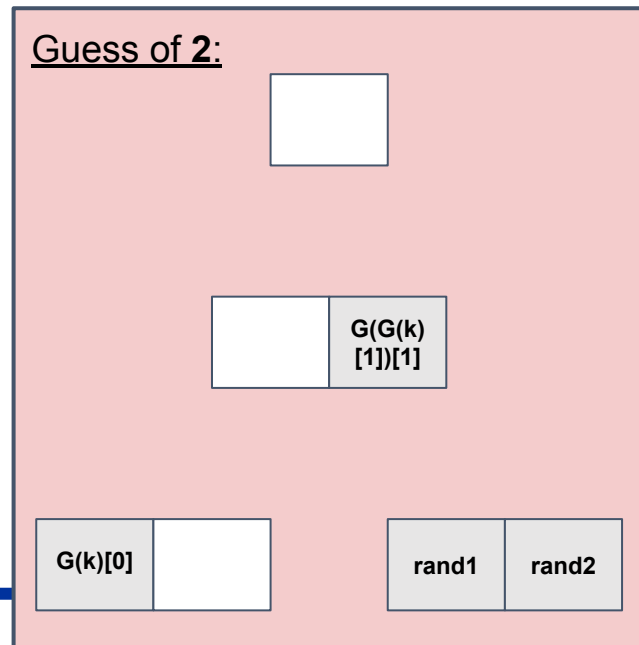
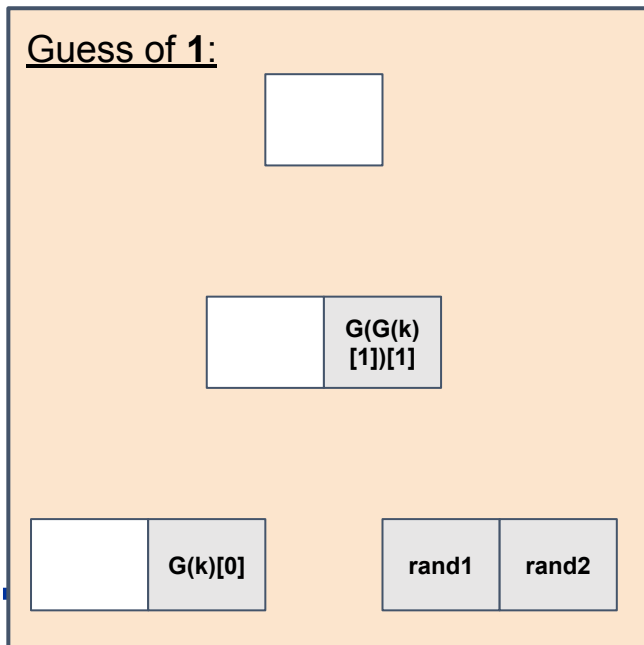
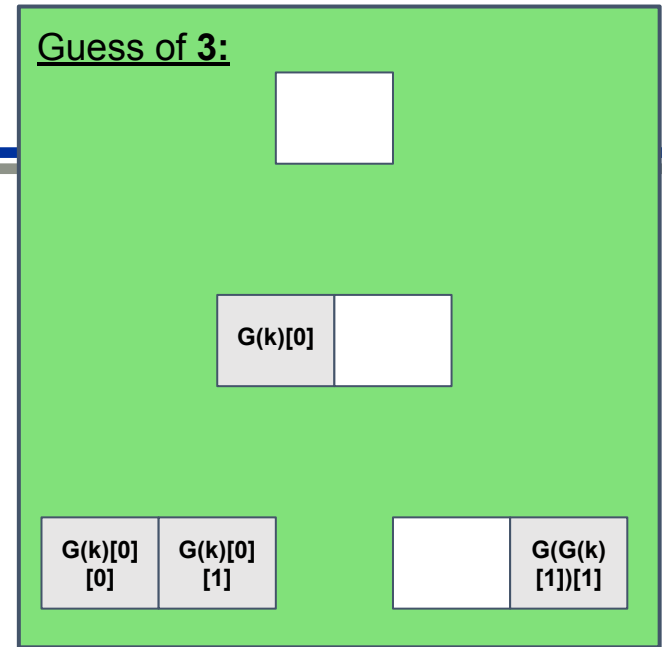


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# TreePIR

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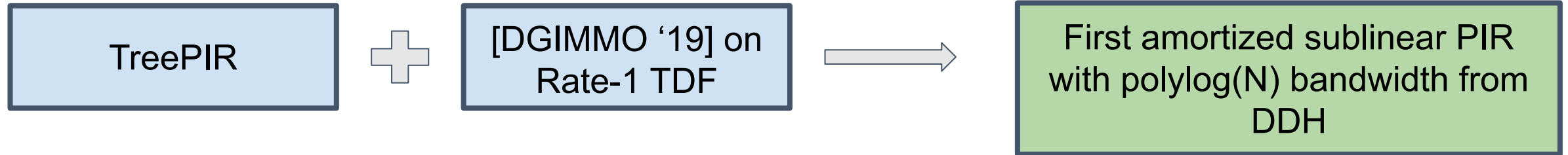


Database of  $2^{32}$  bit entries

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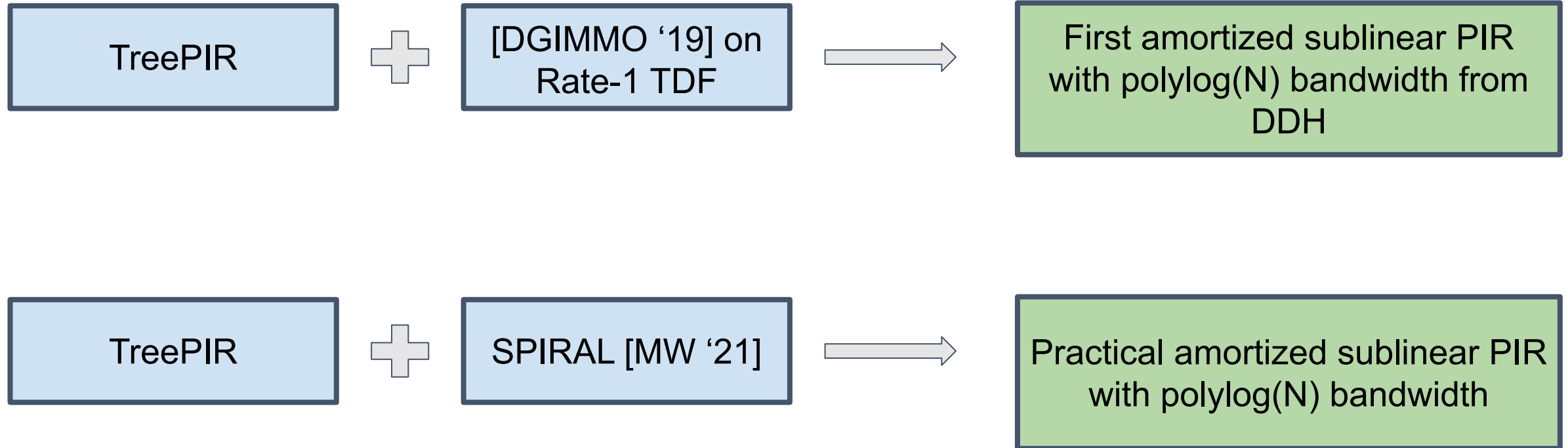
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# New works building on TreePIR

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- Piano: Extremely Simple, Single-Server PIR with Sublinear Server Computation [ZLTS '23] (to appear IEEE S&P '24)
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