Key Exchange with Tight (Full) Forward Secrecy via Key Confirmation

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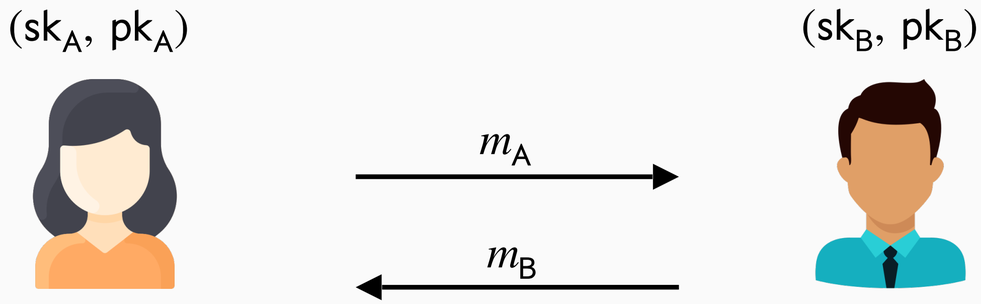

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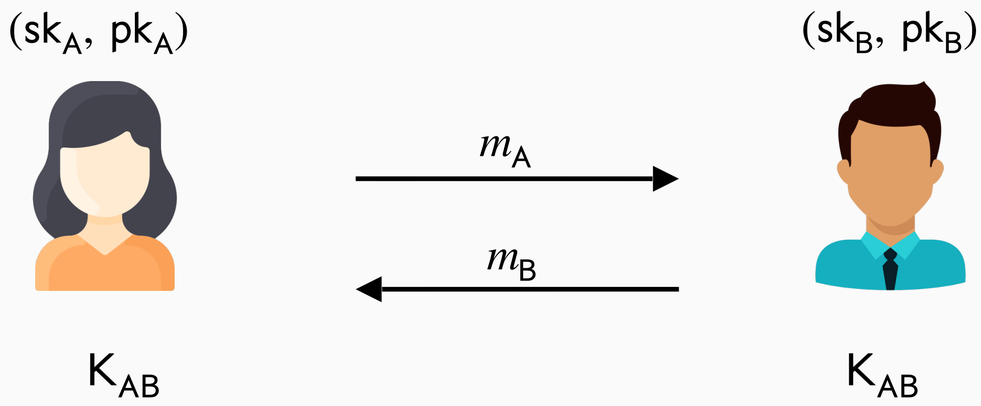

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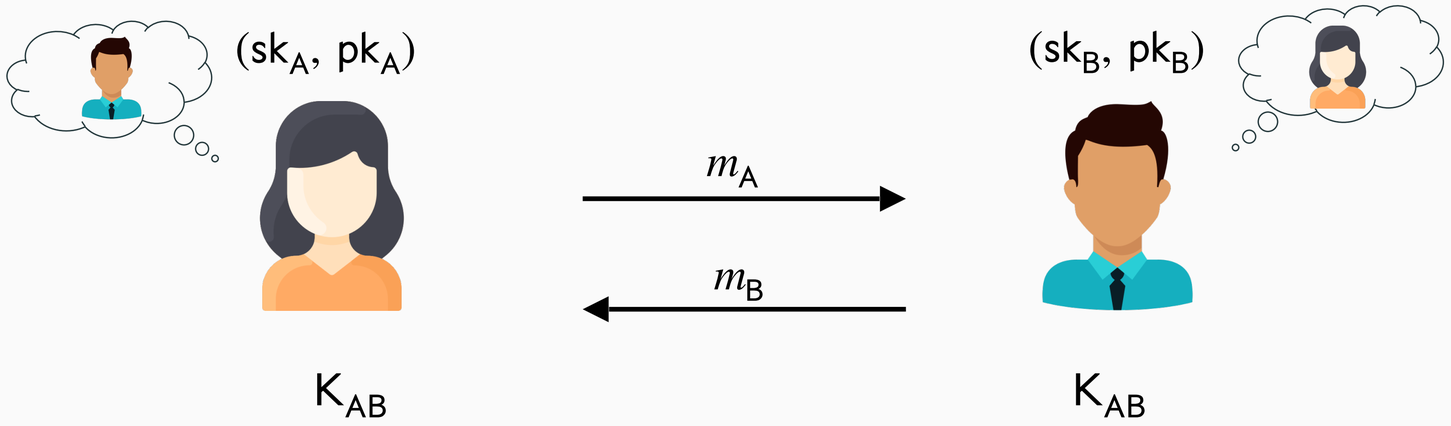

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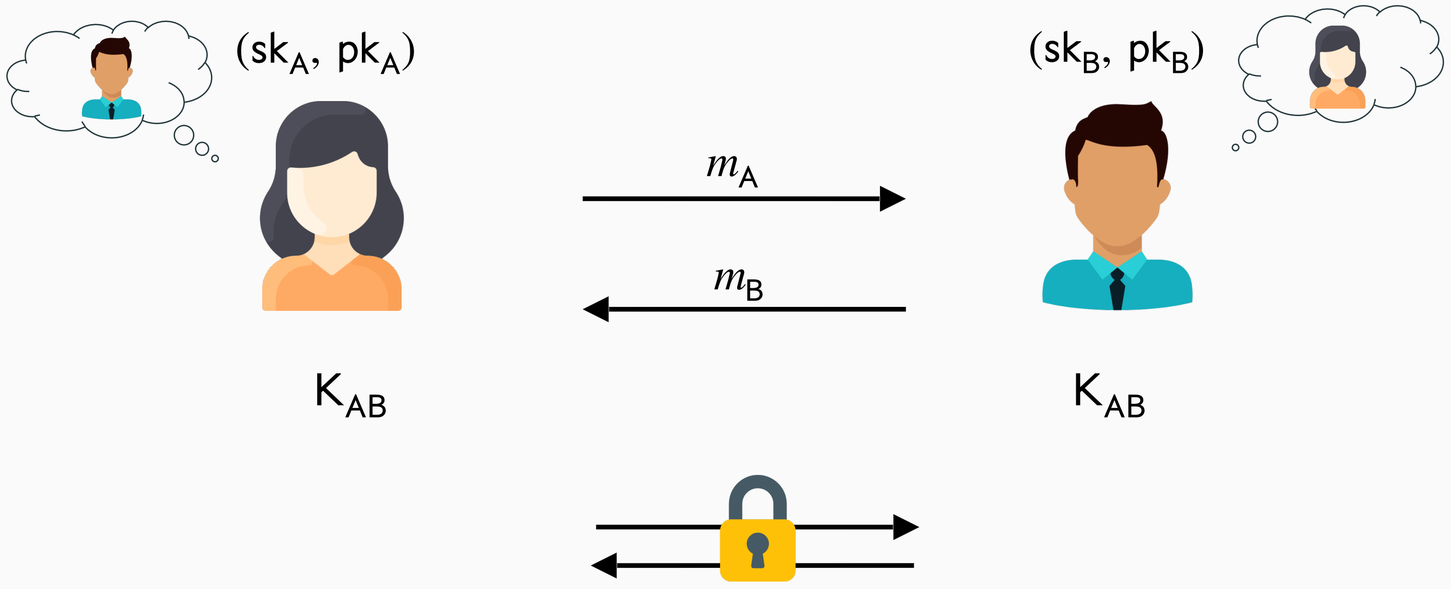

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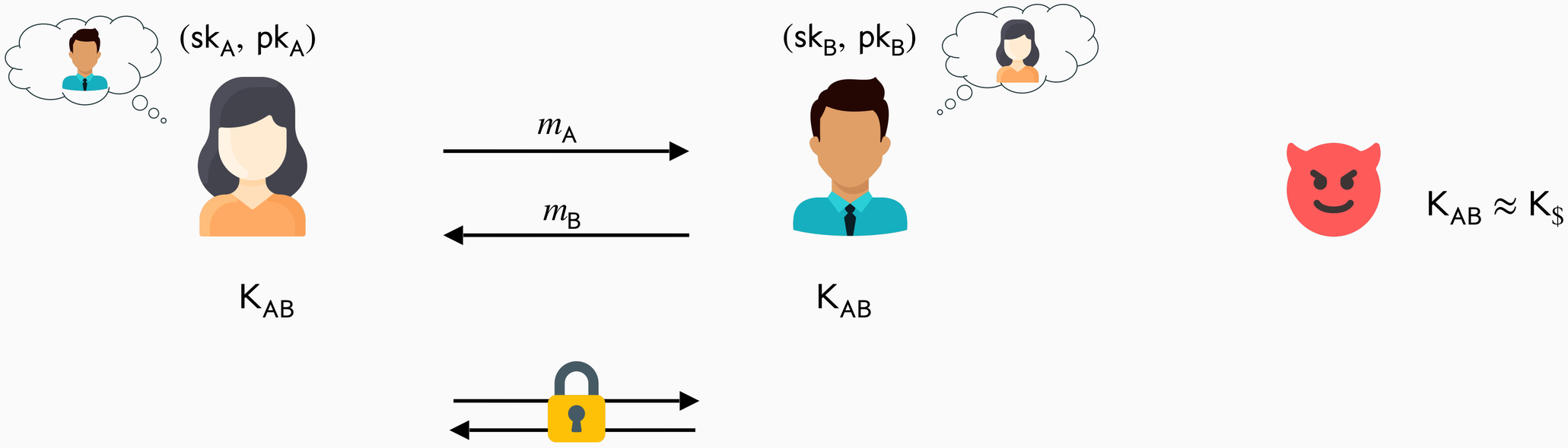

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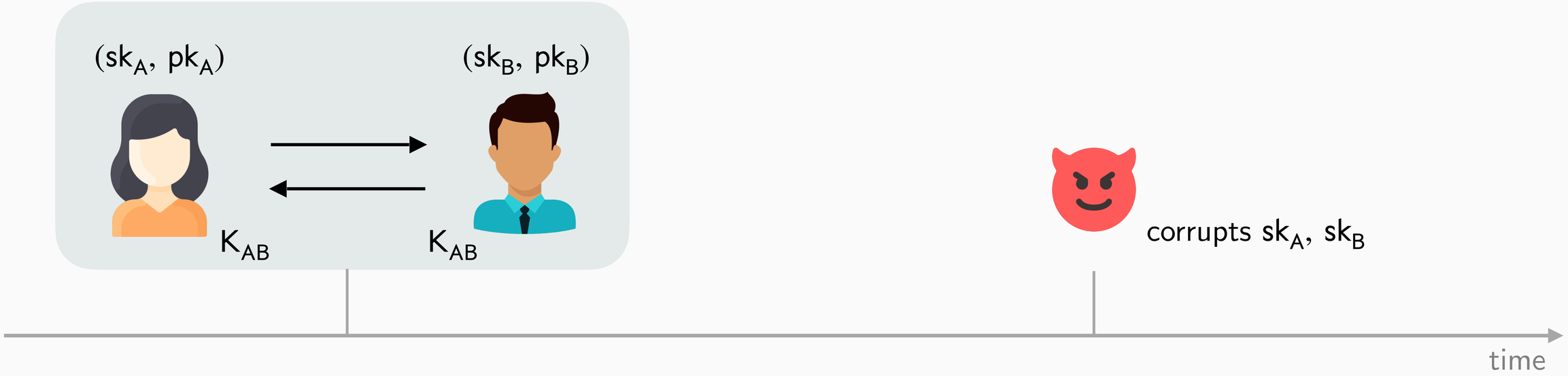

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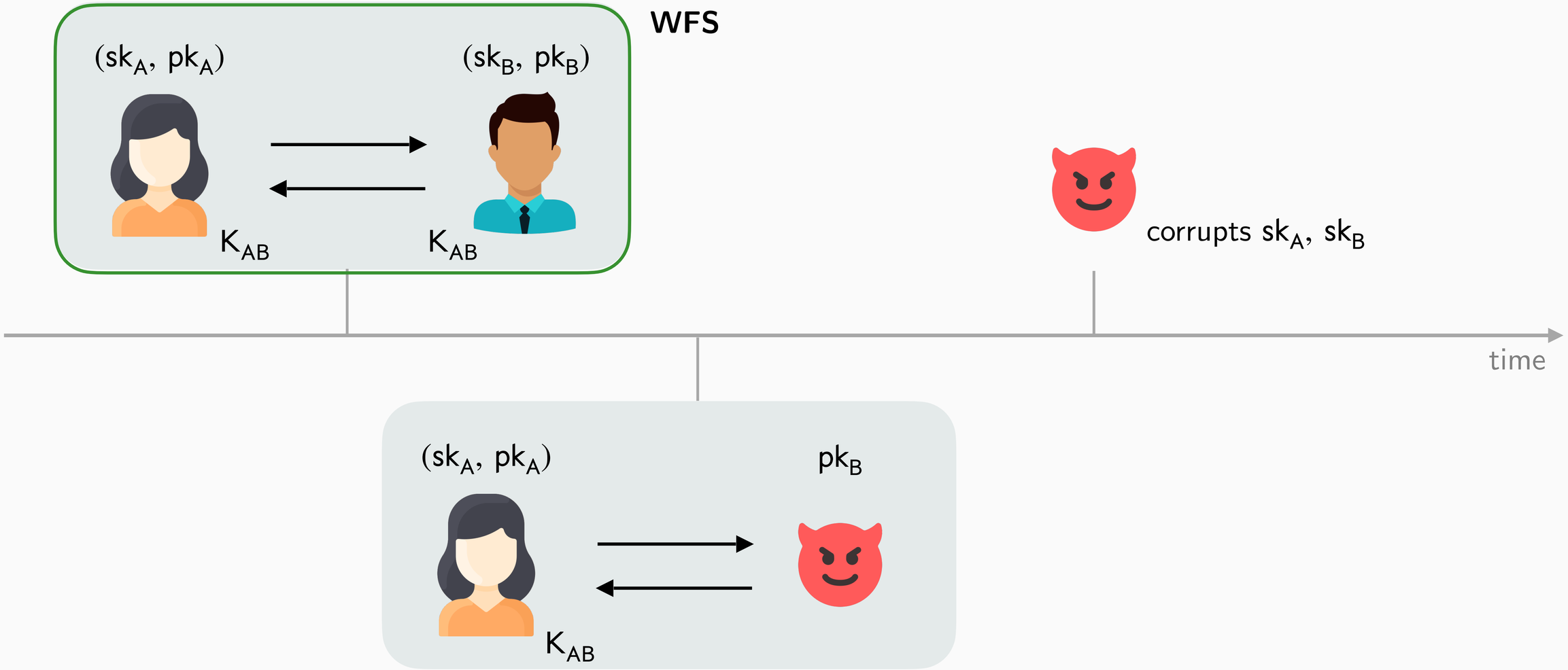

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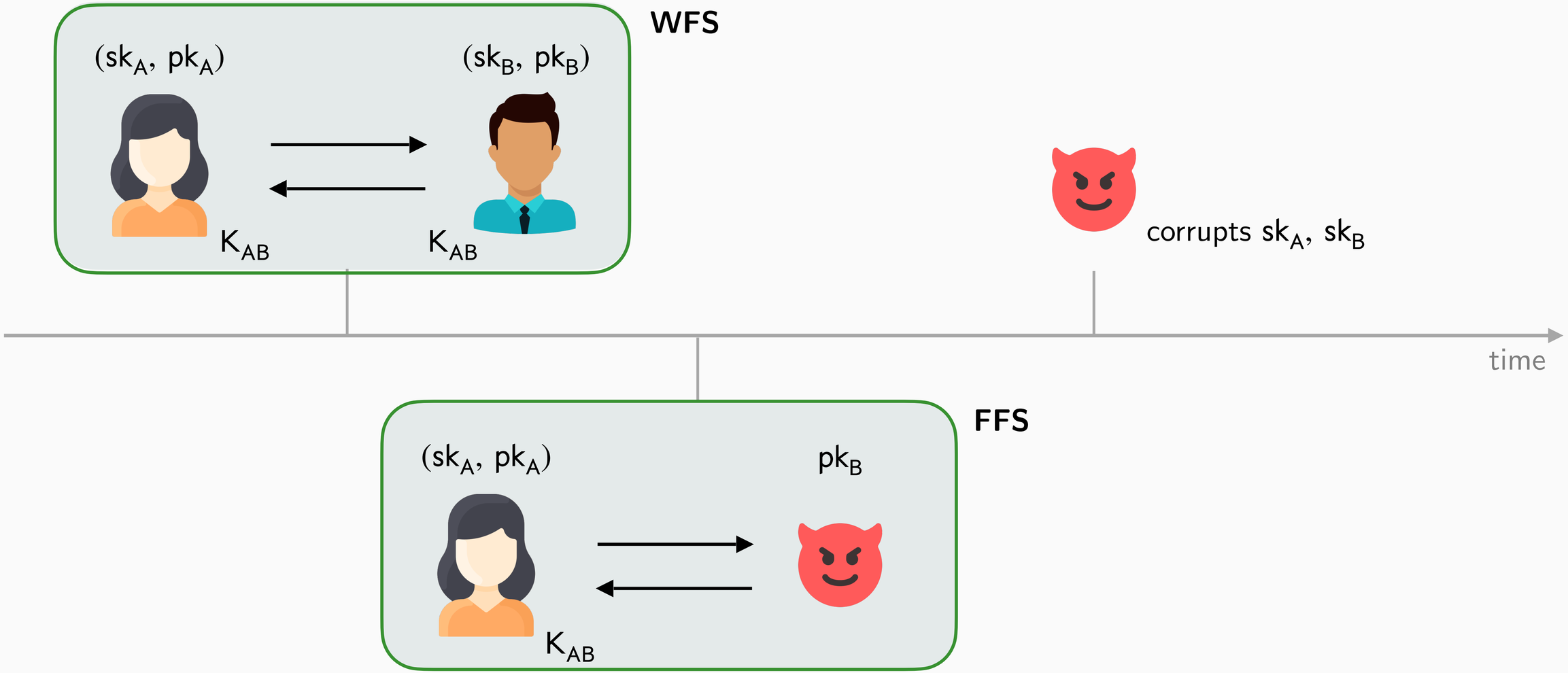

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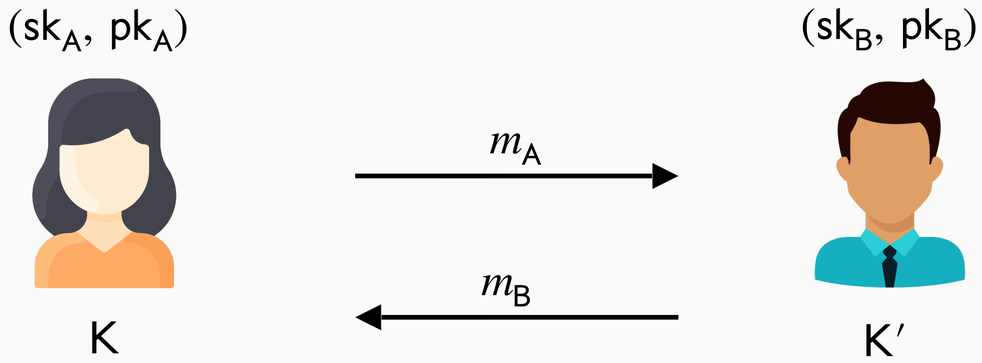

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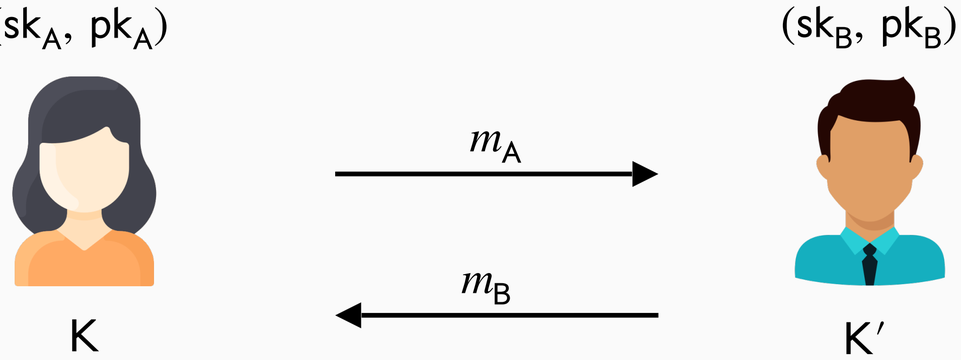

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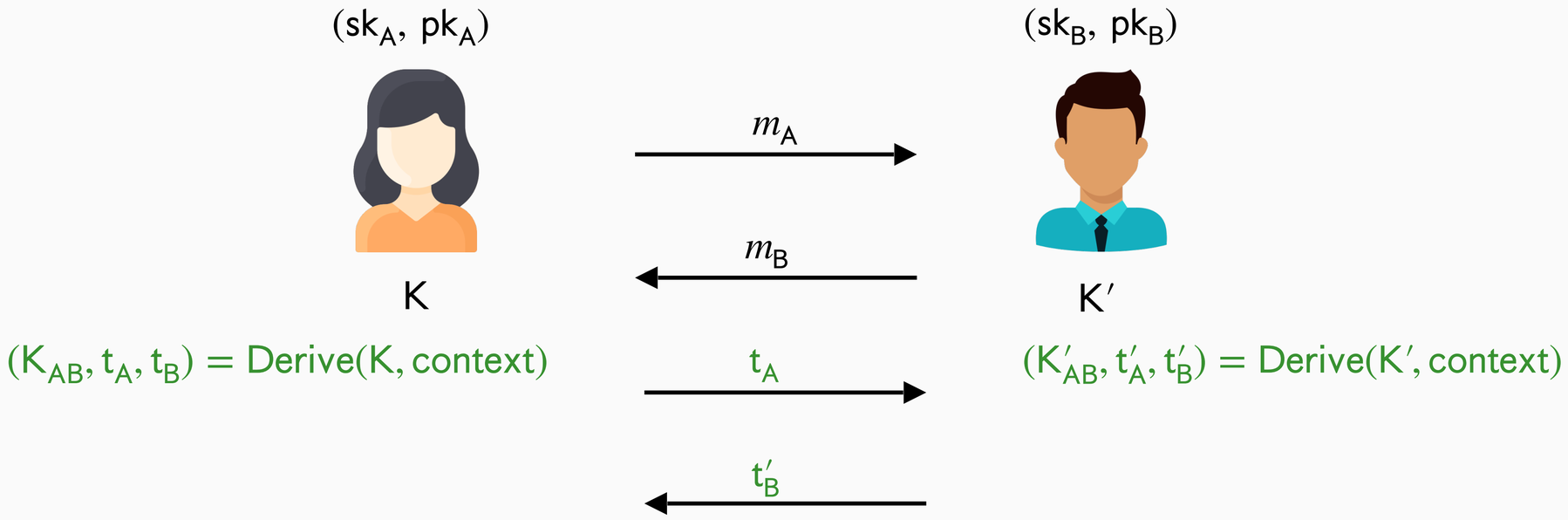

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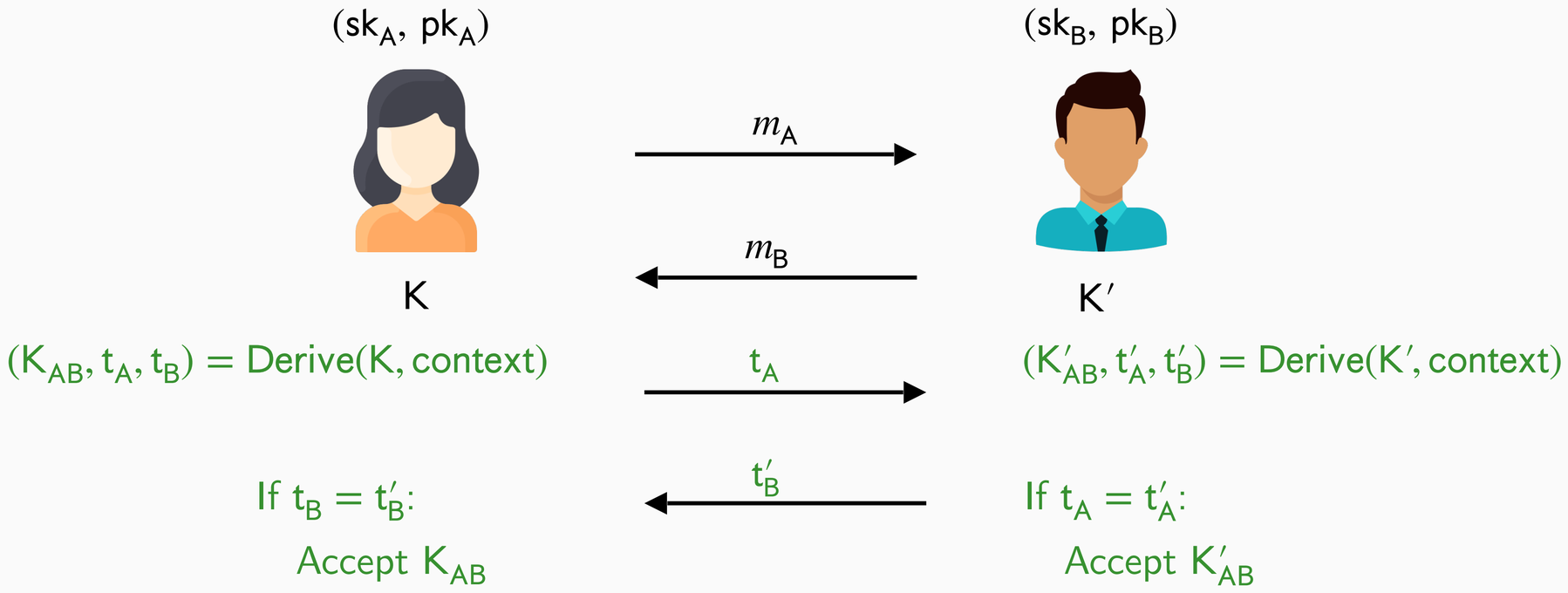

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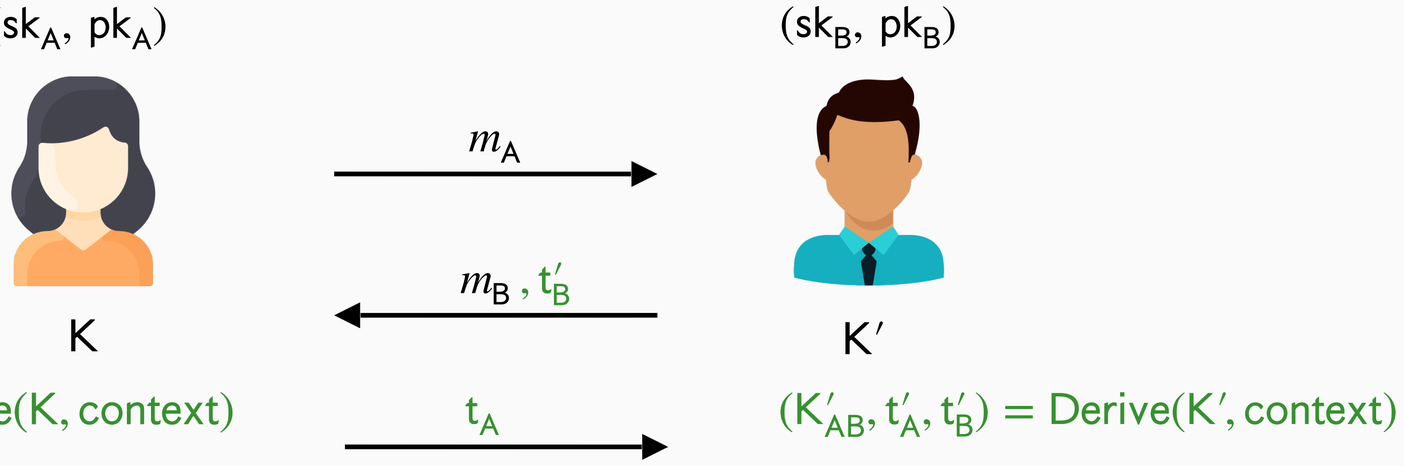

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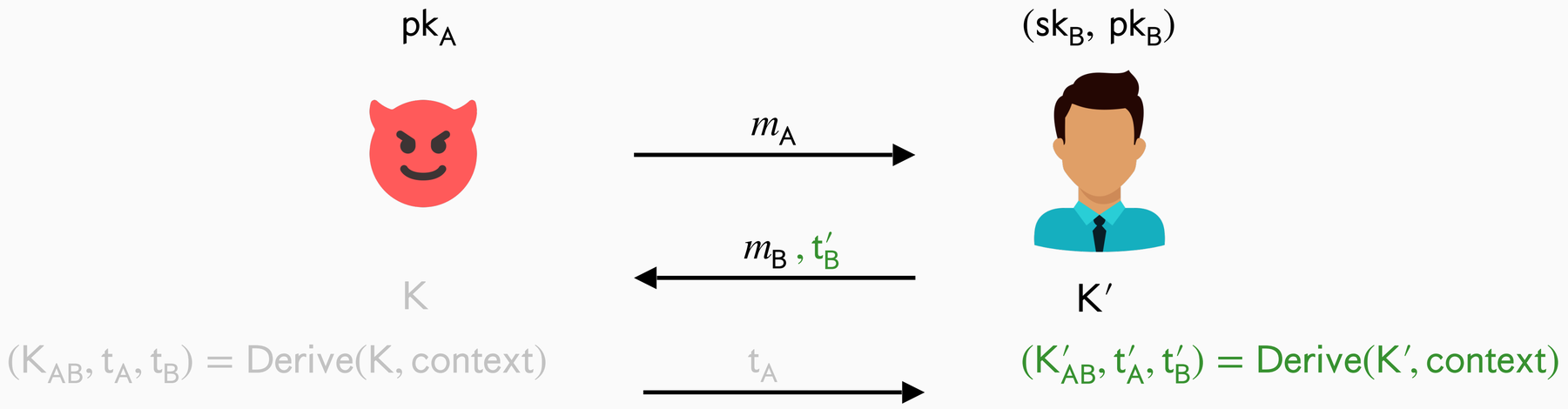

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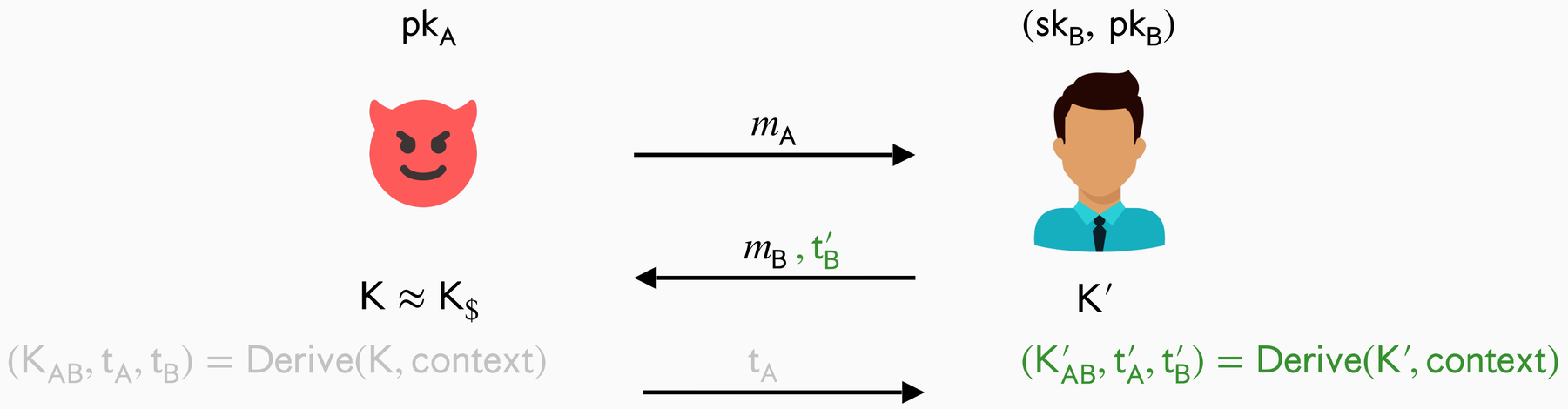

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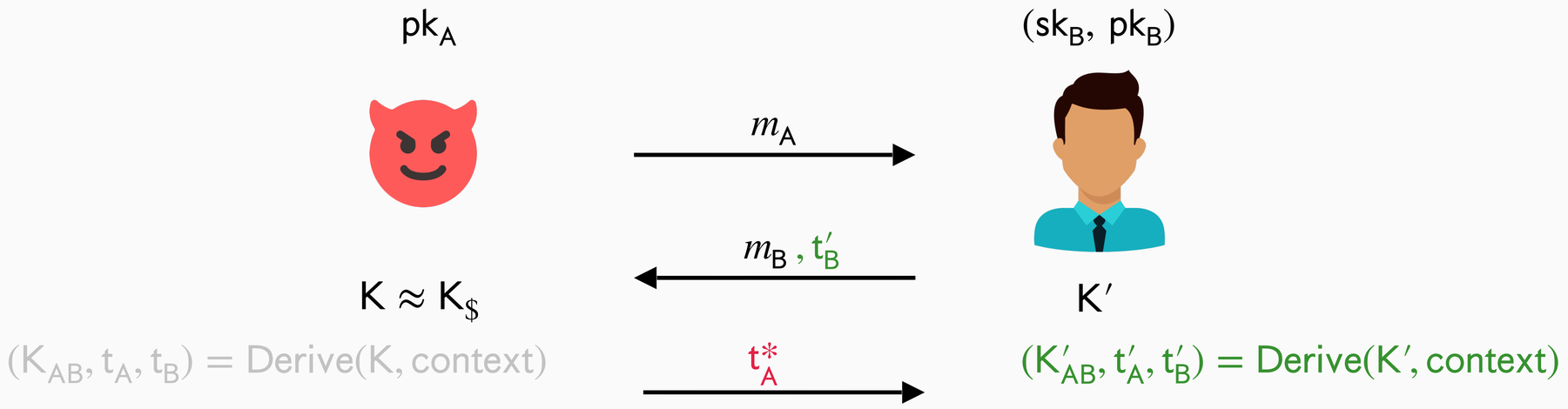

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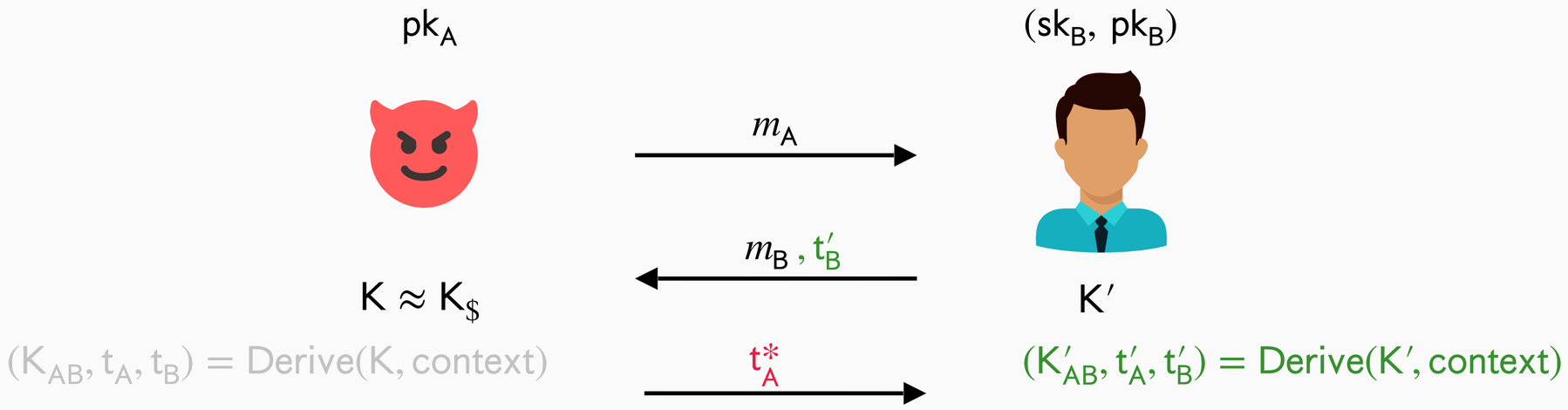

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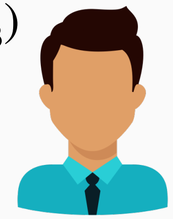
(sk_B, pk_B) 

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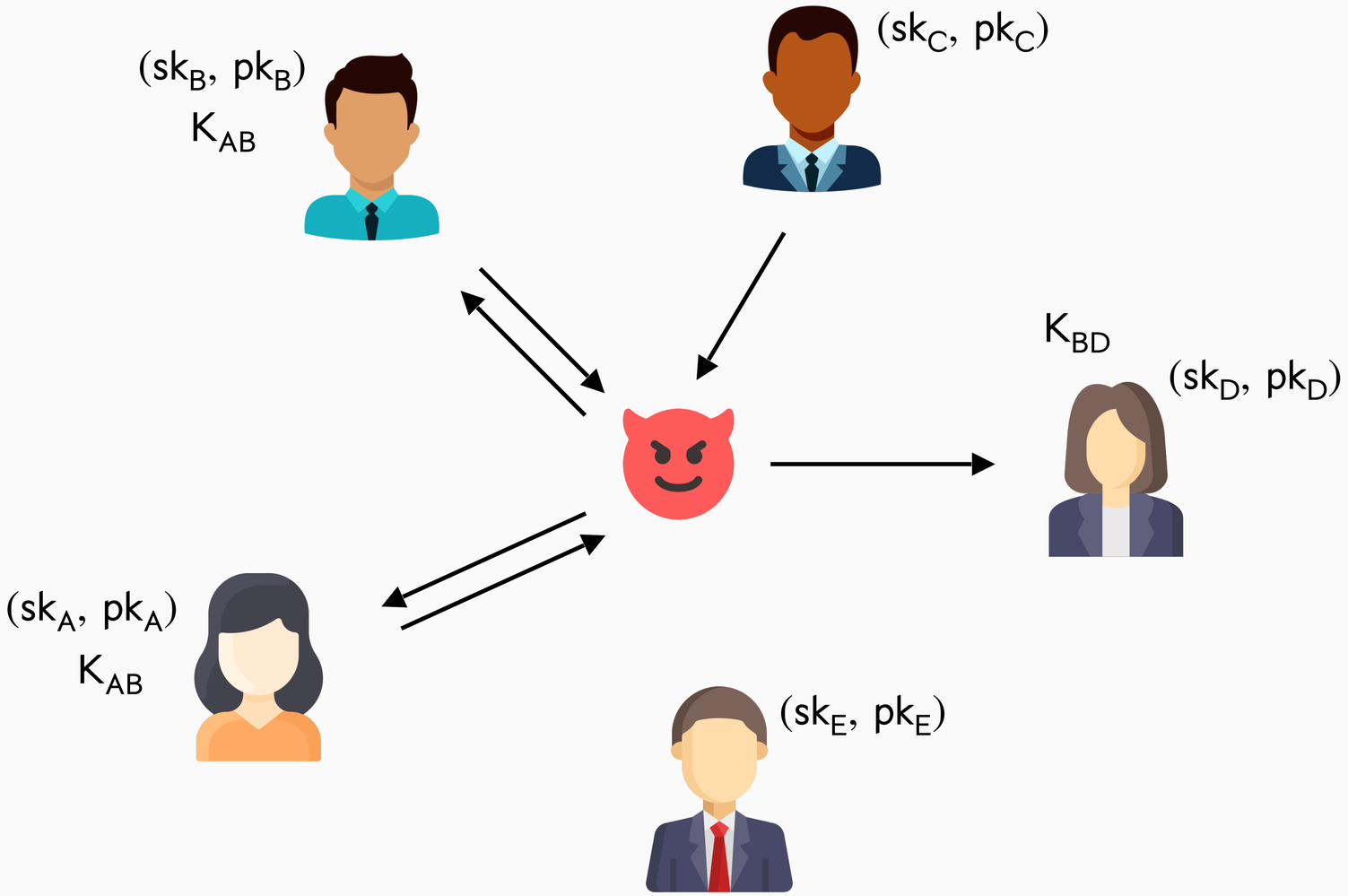

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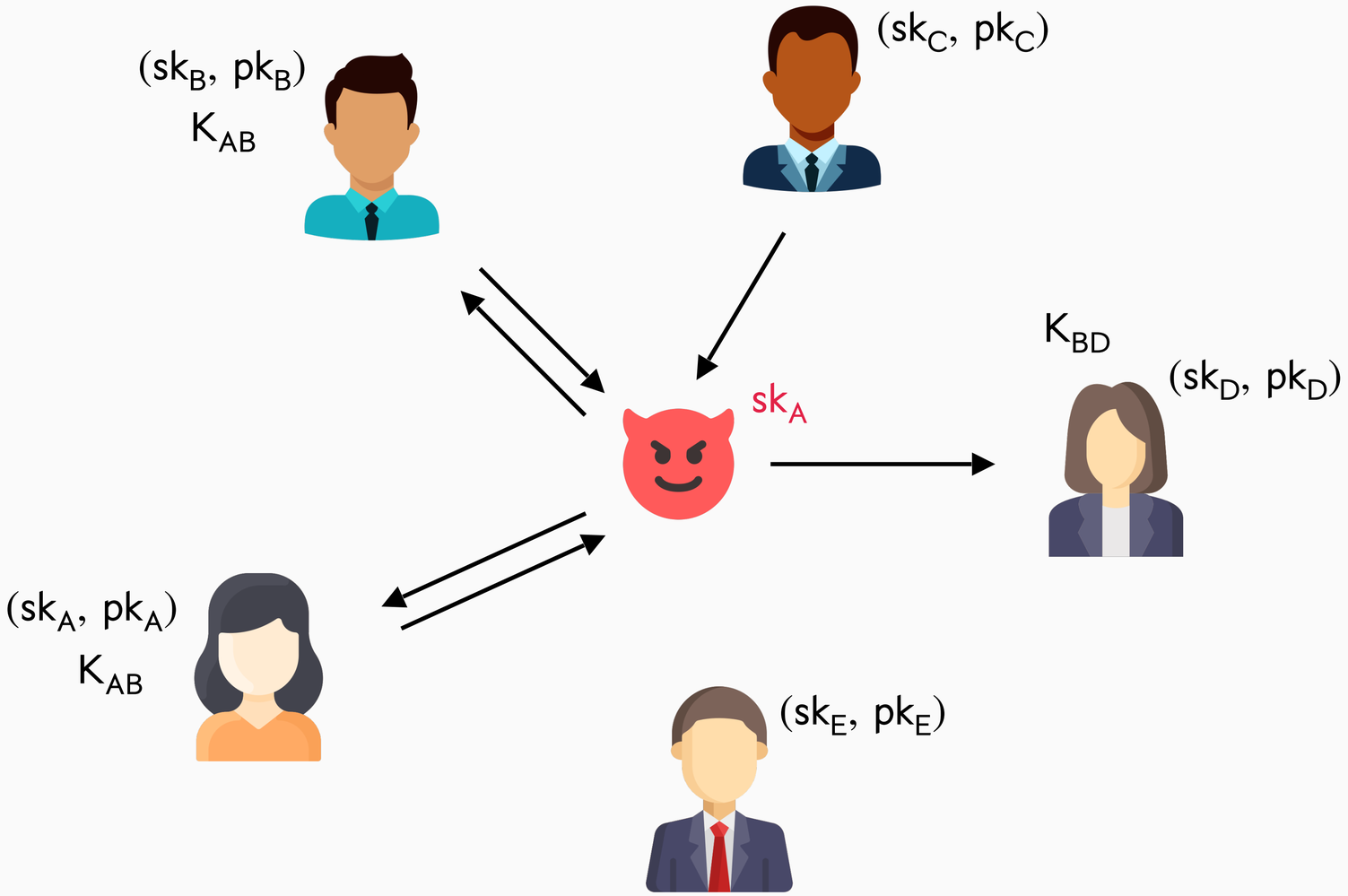

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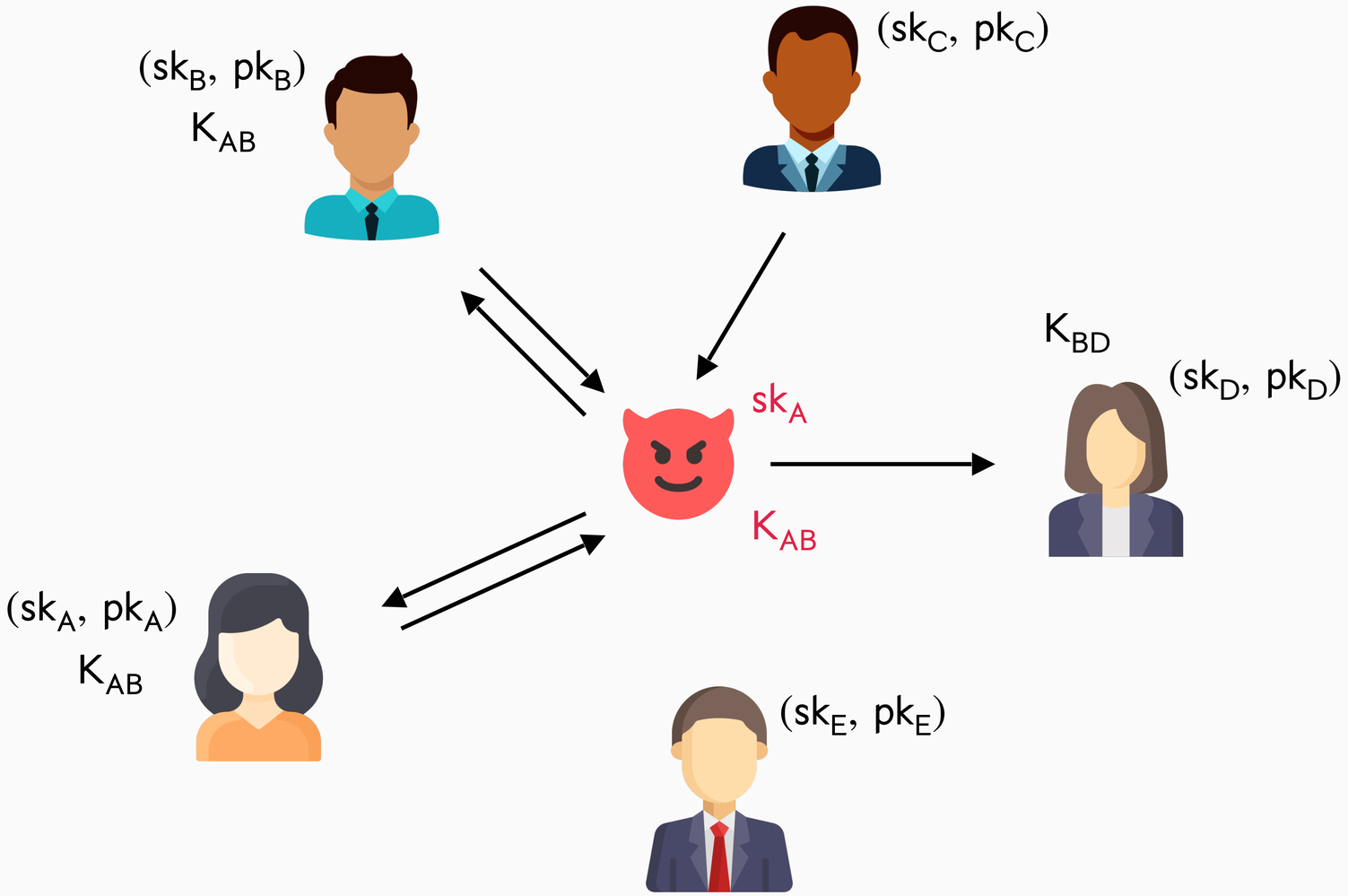

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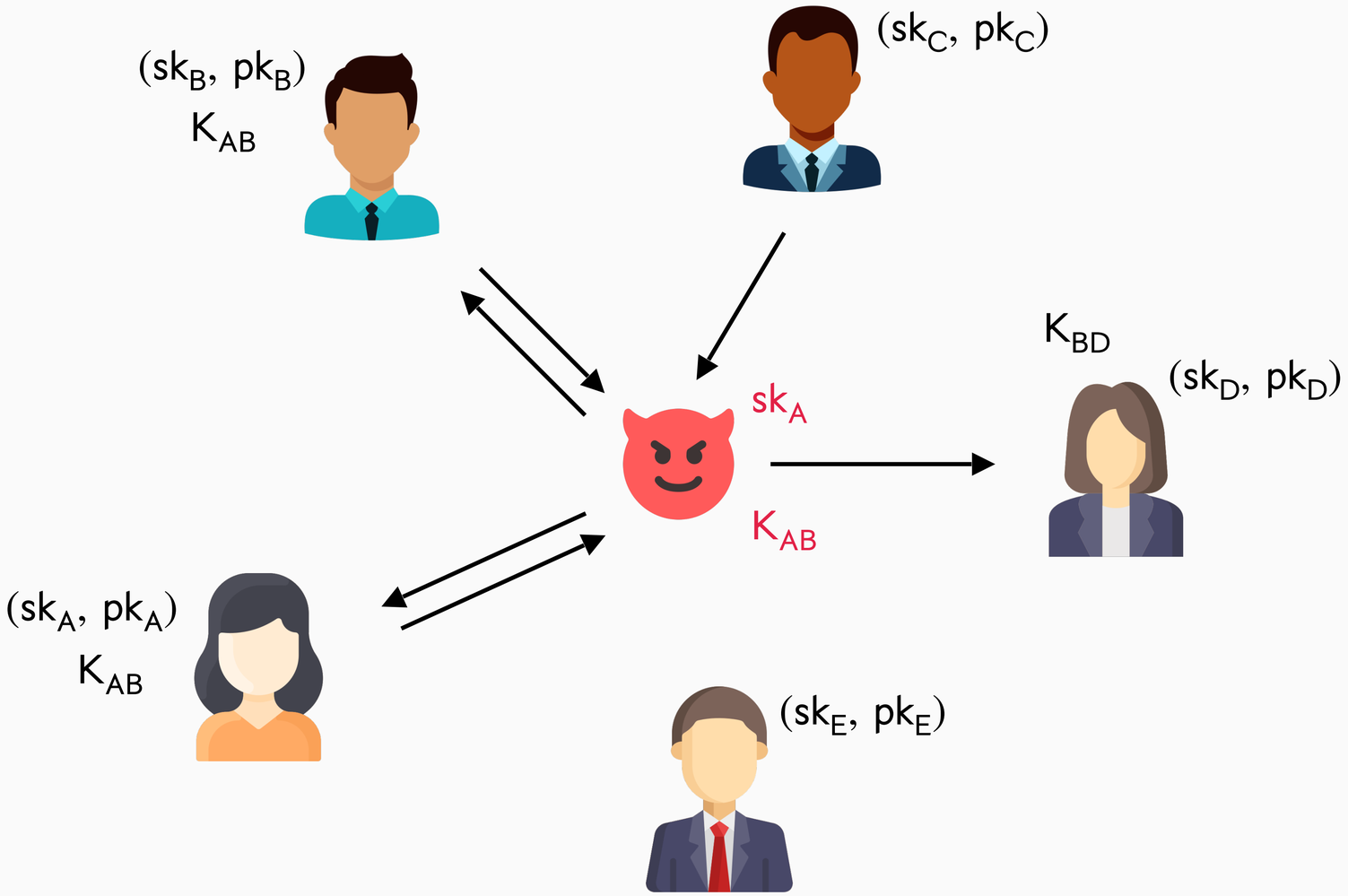

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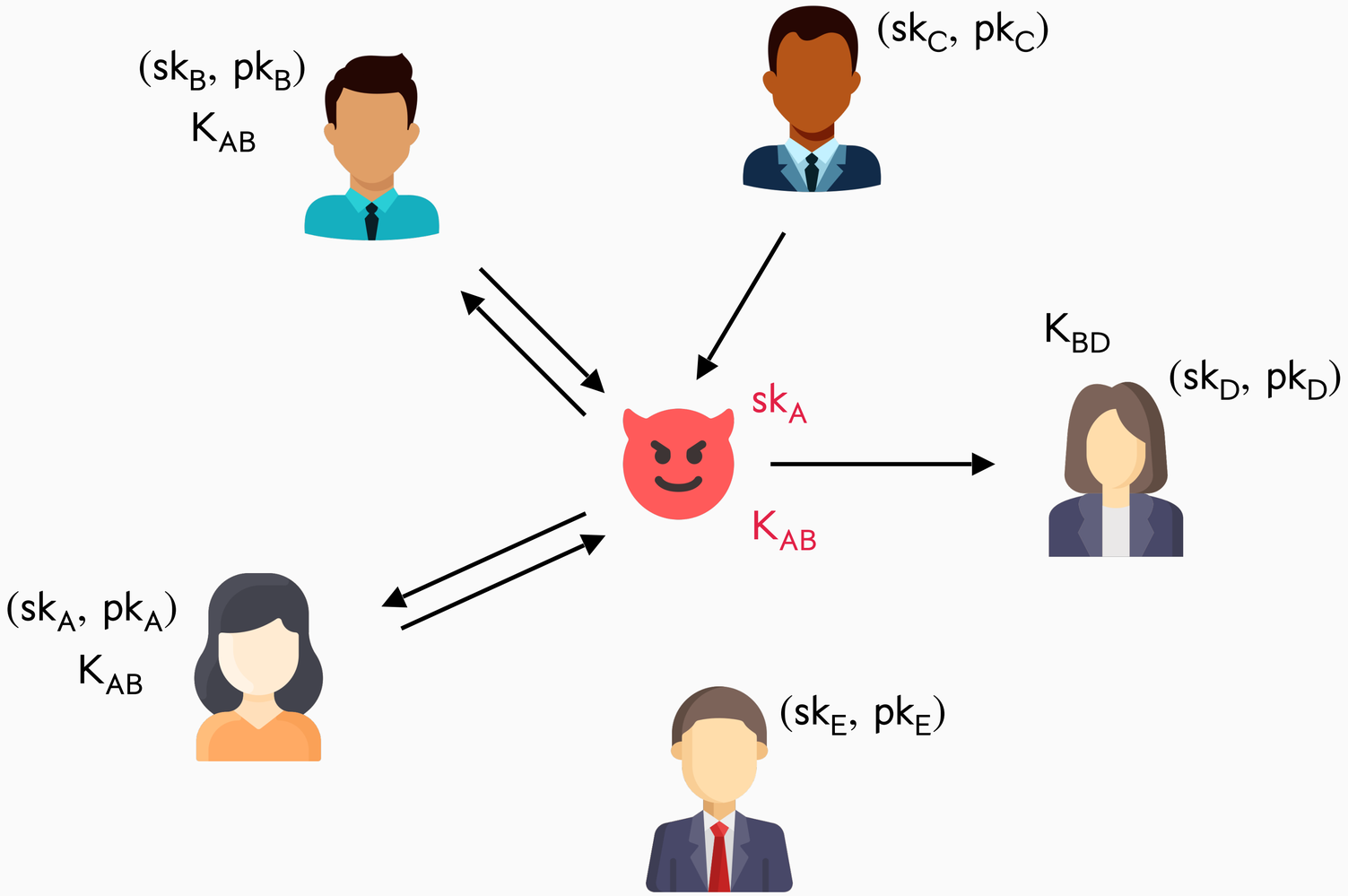

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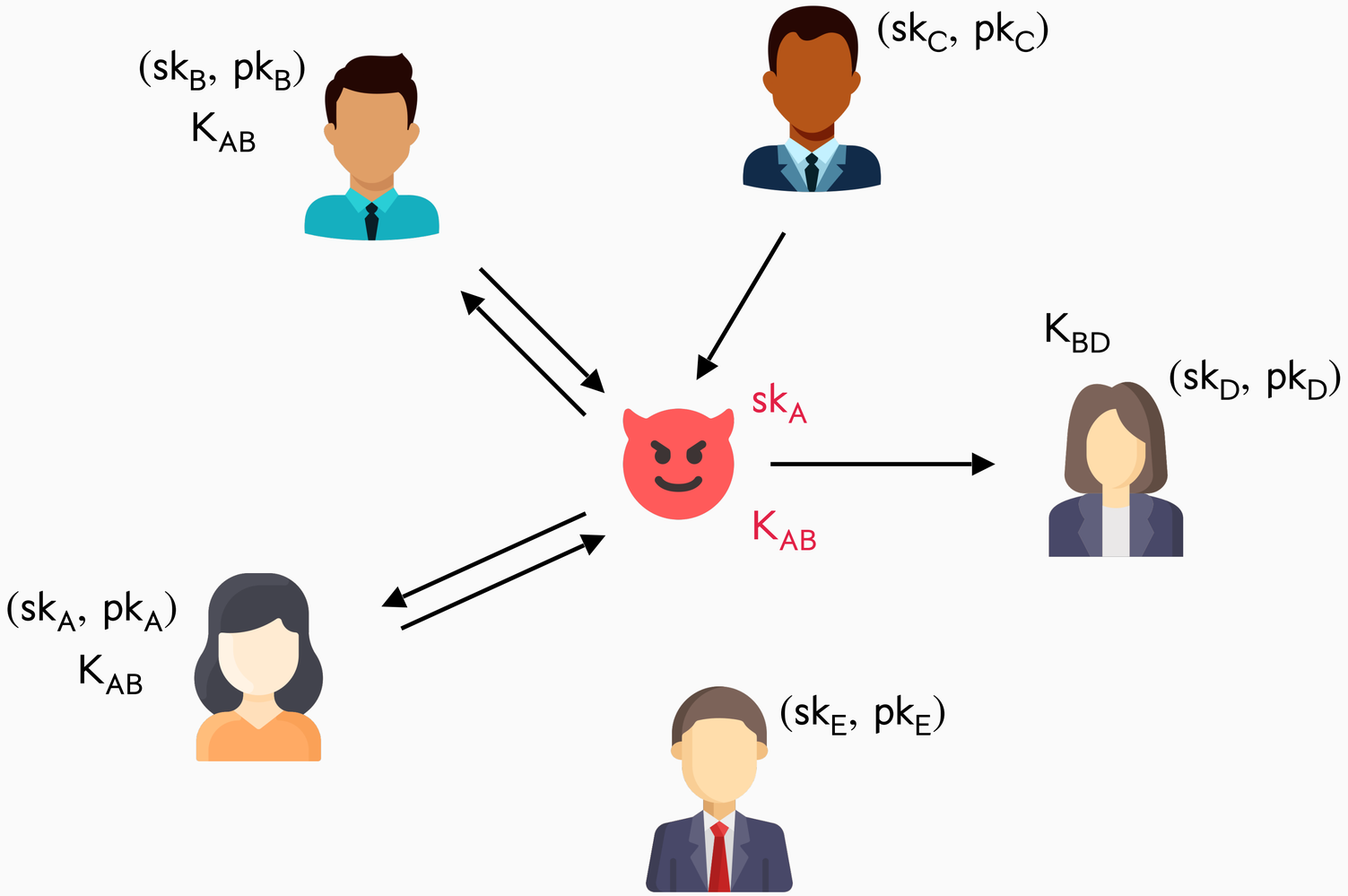

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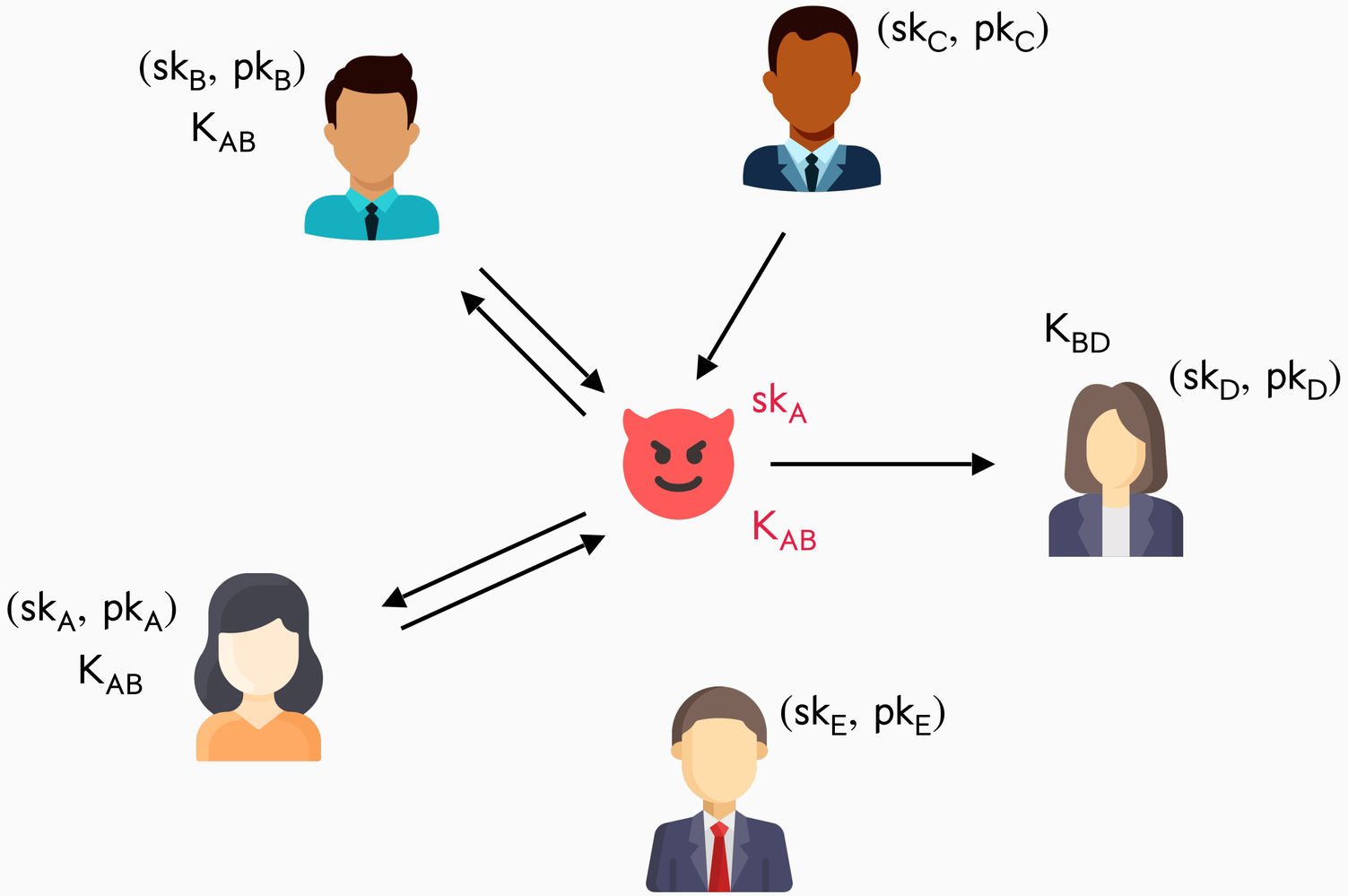

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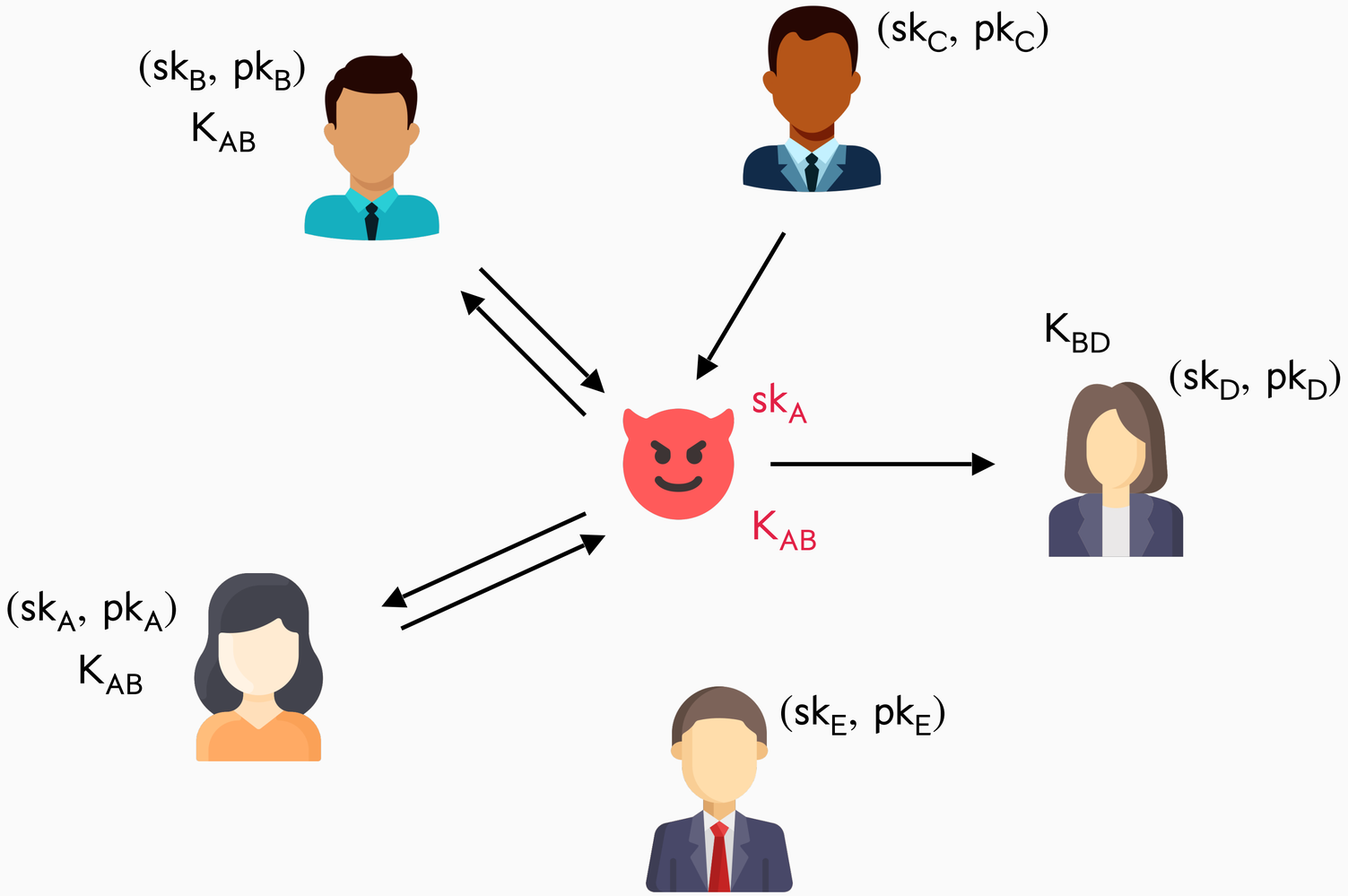

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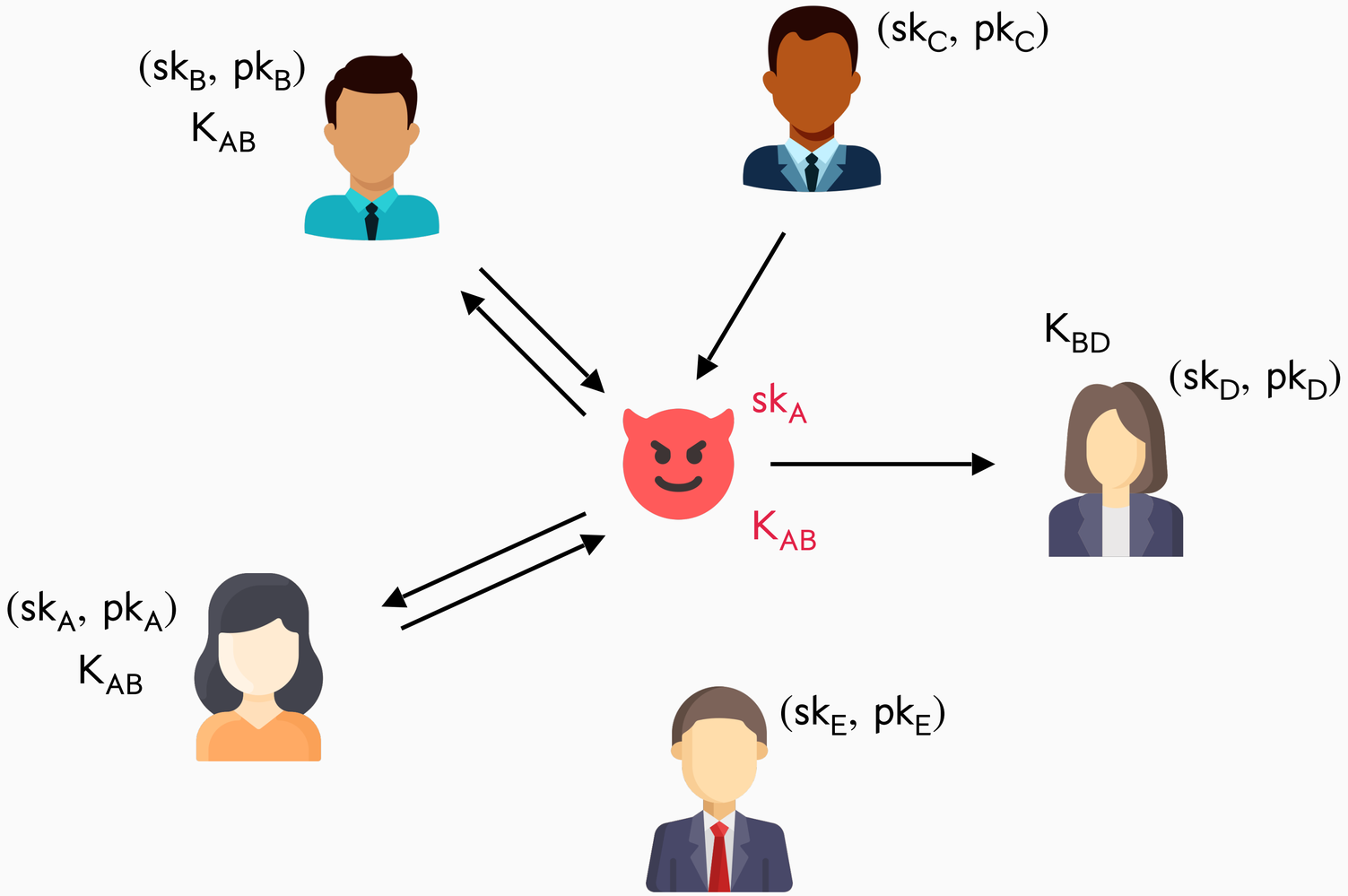

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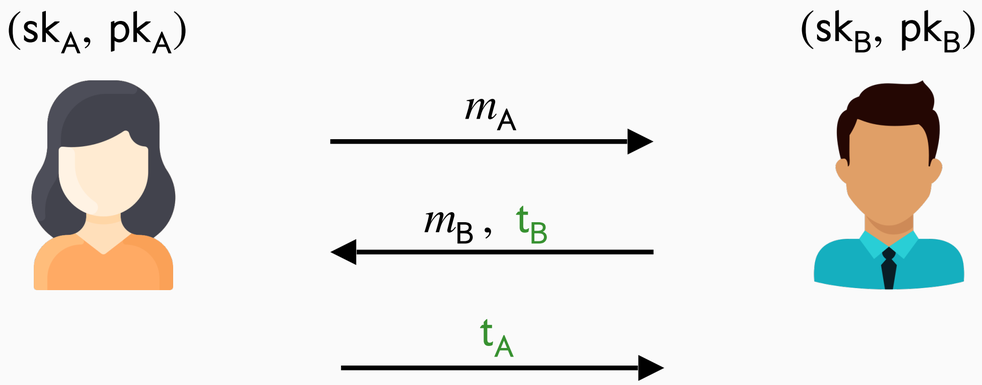

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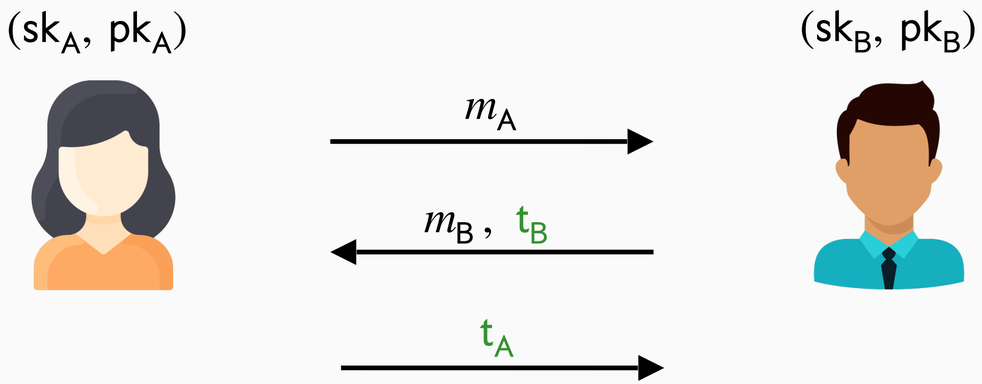

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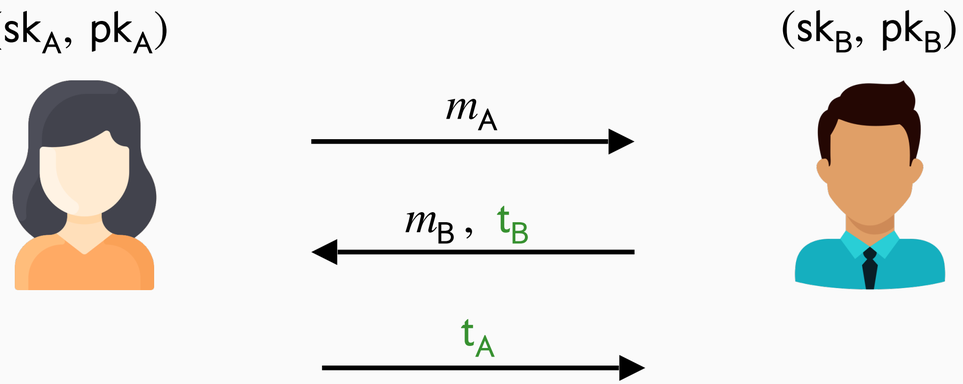

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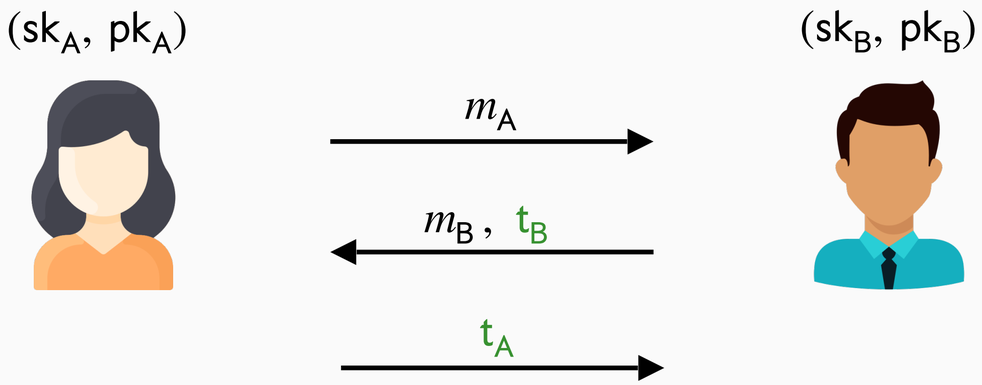

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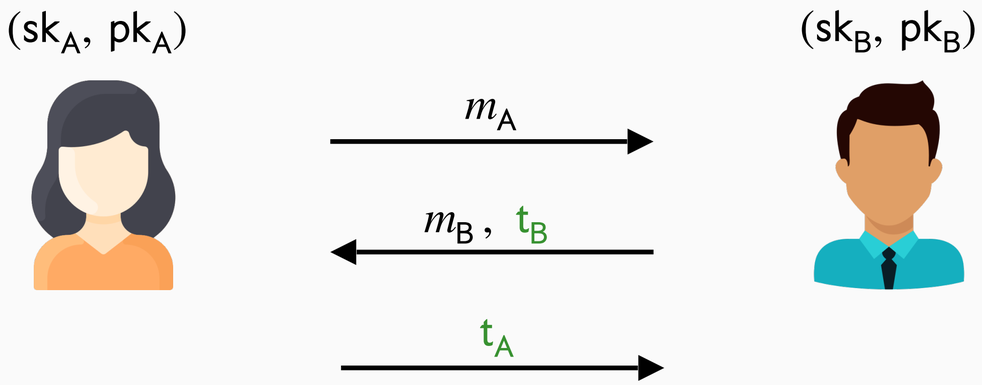

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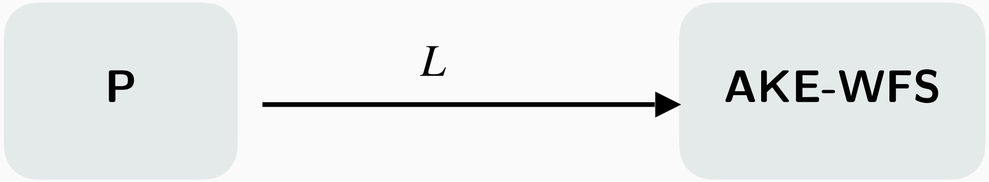

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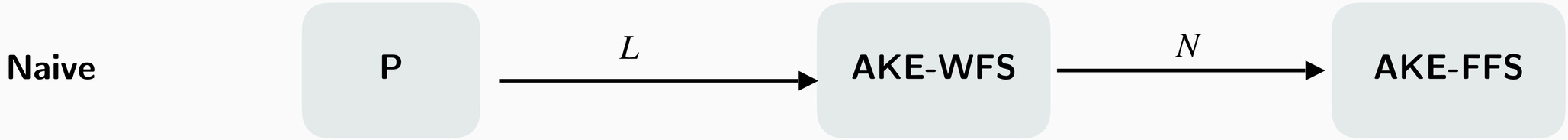

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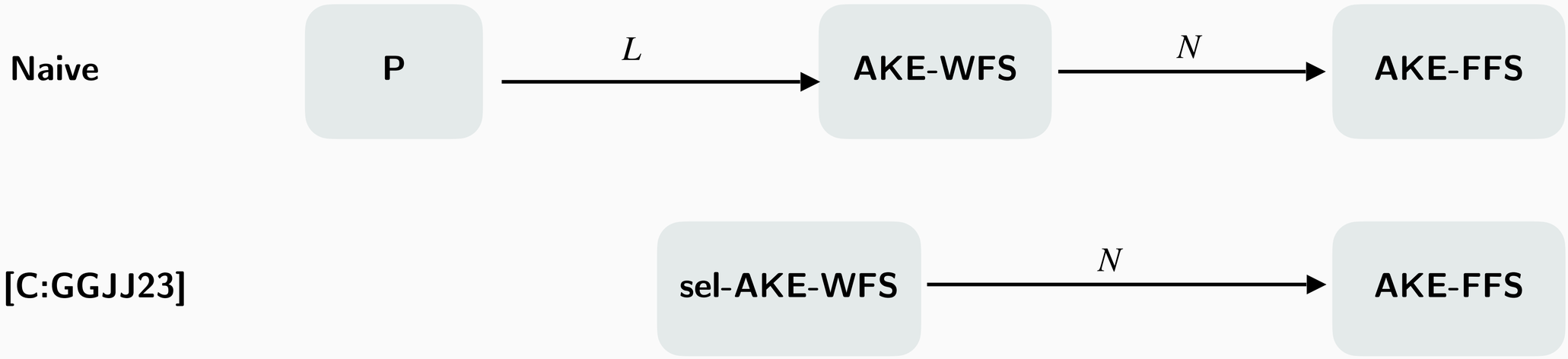

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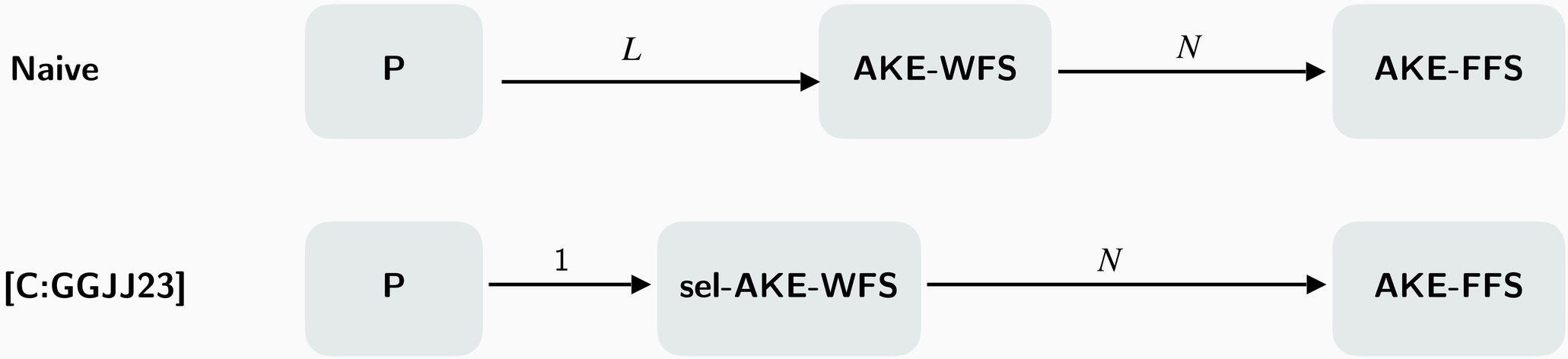

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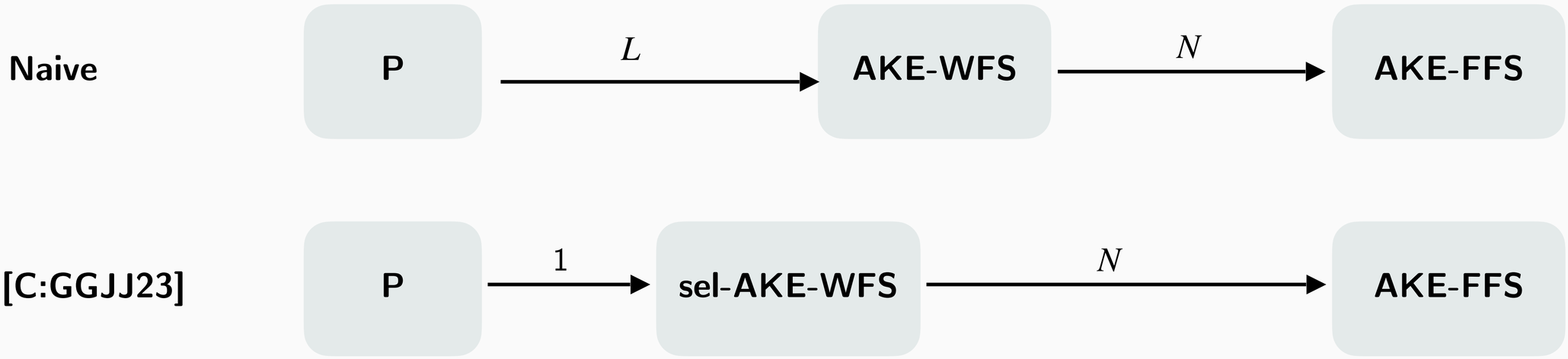

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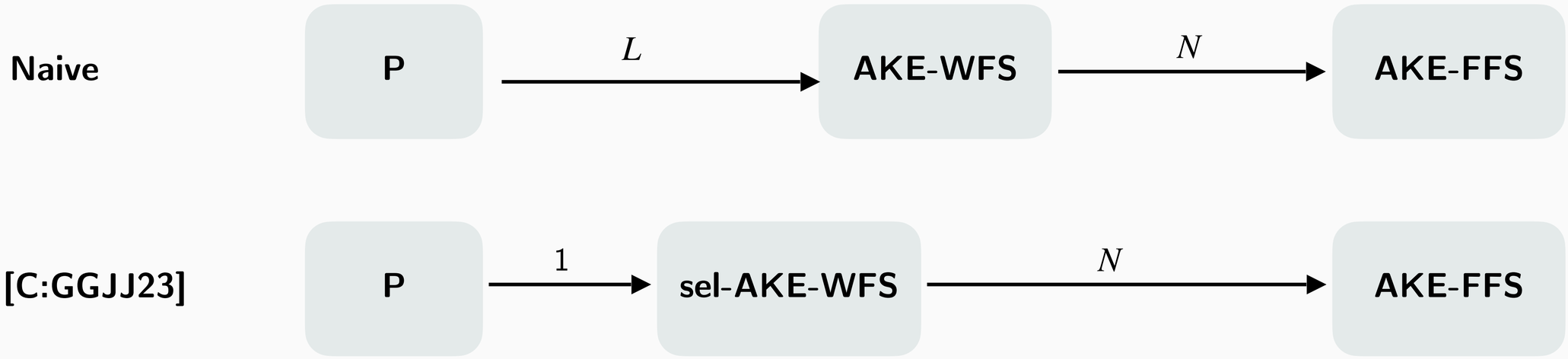

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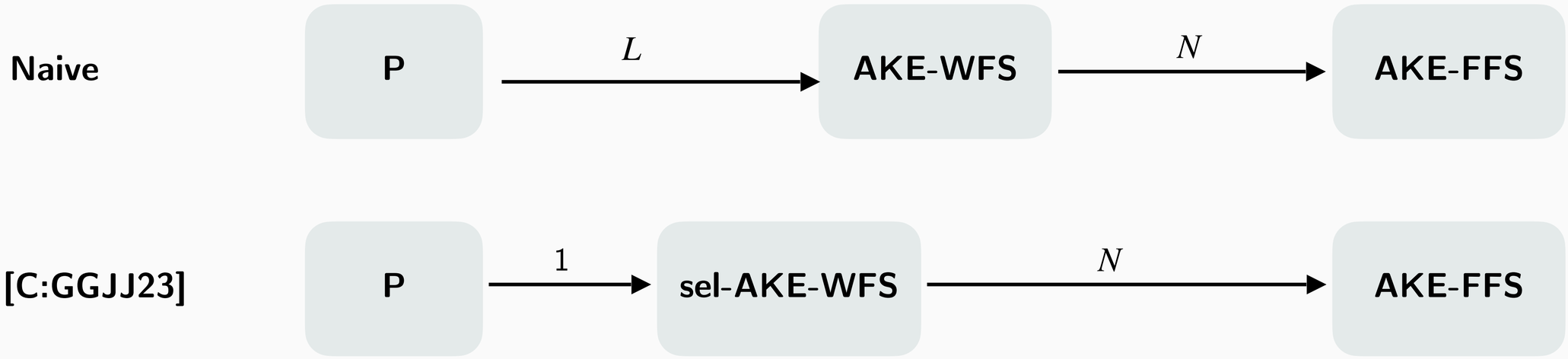

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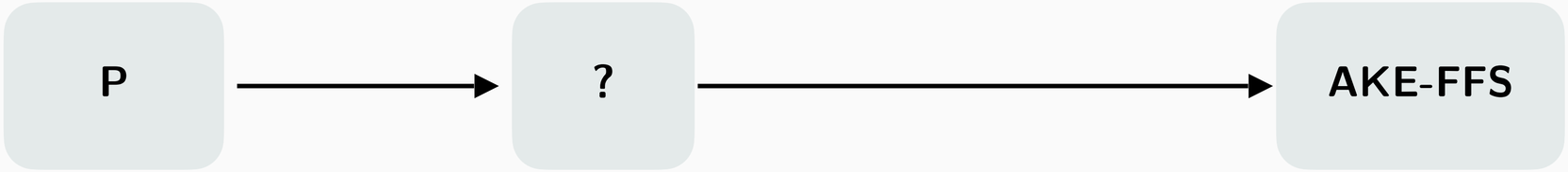

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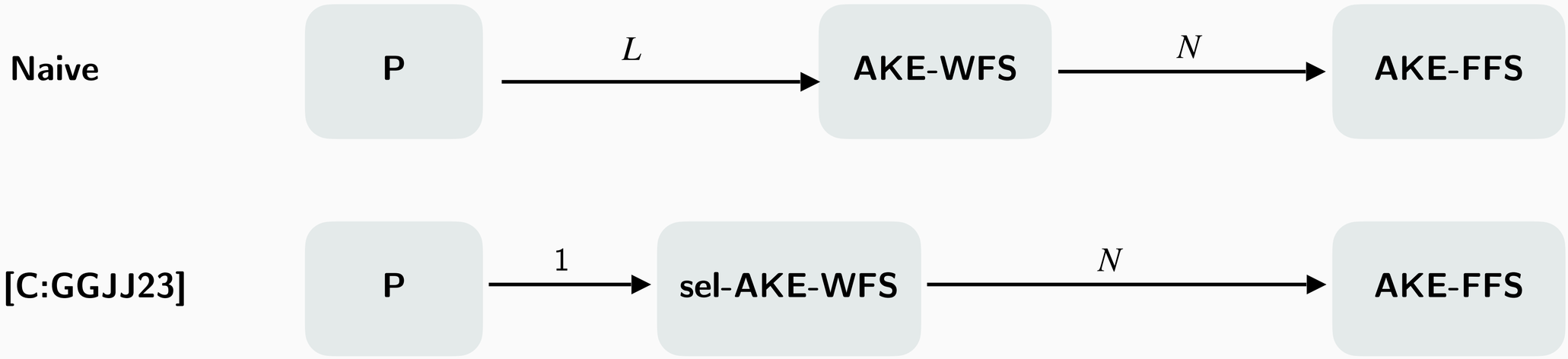

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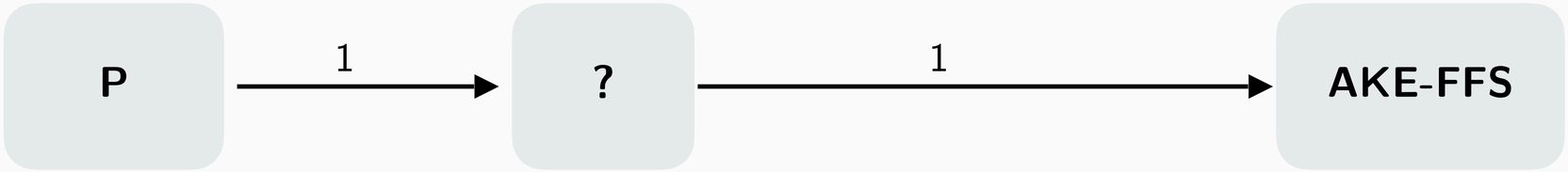

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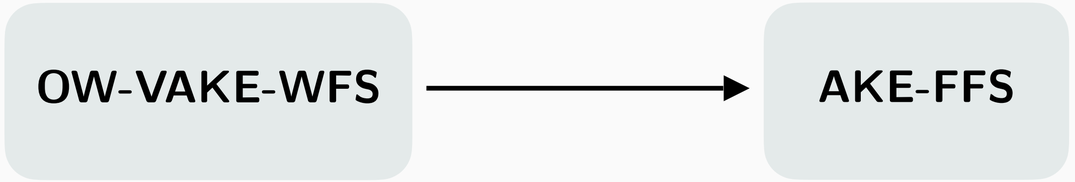

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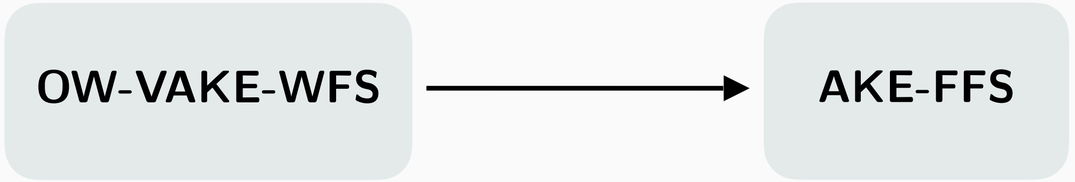

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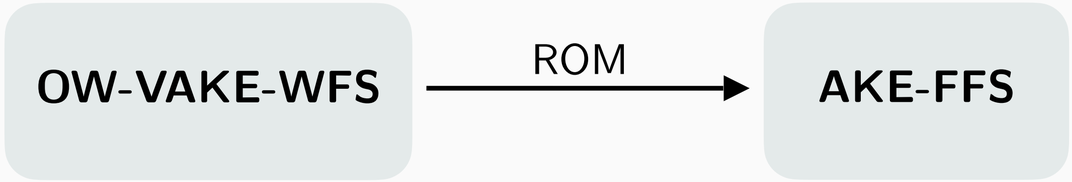

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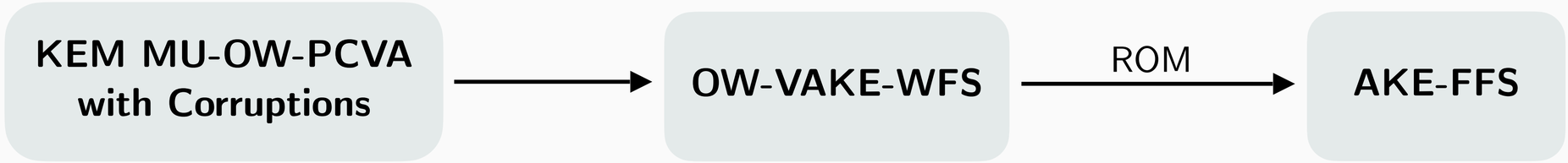

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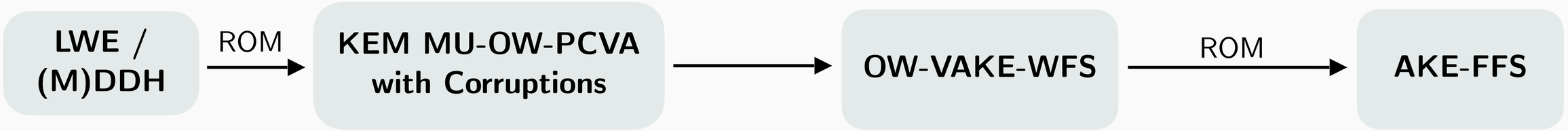

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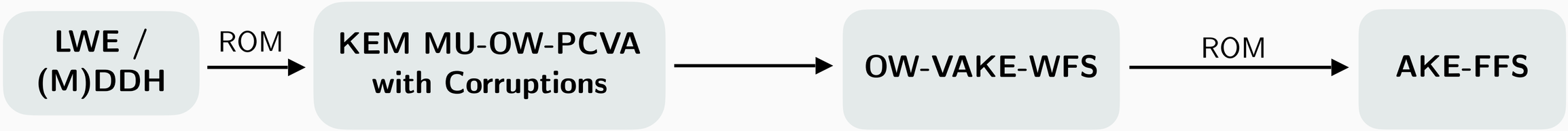

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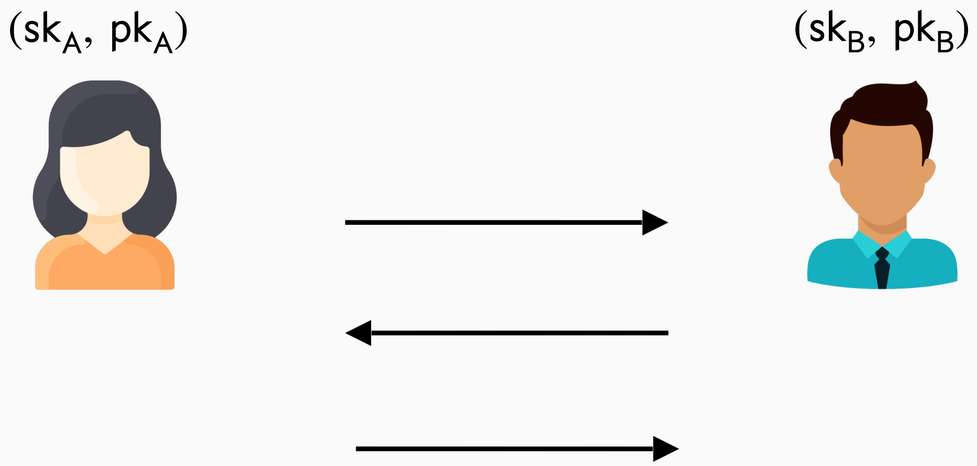

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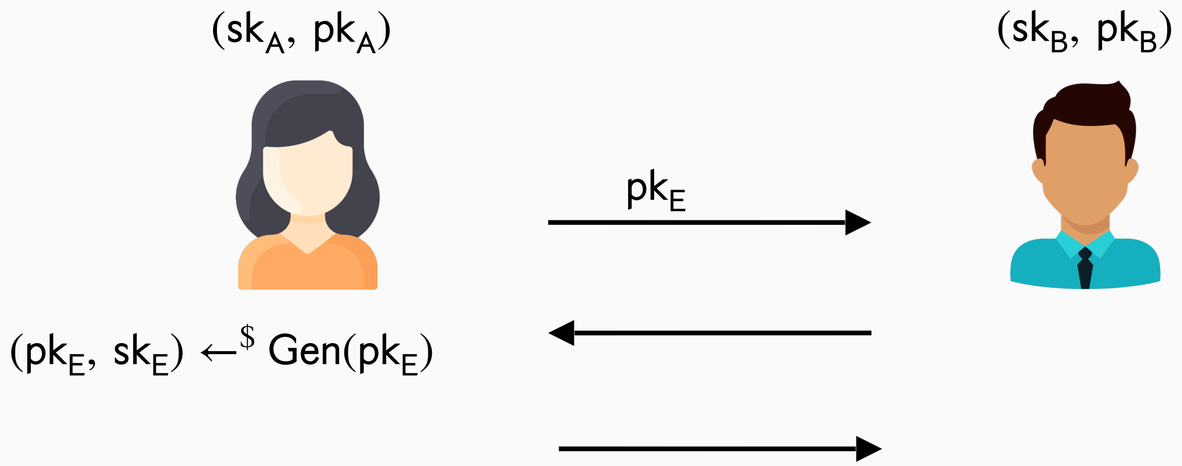

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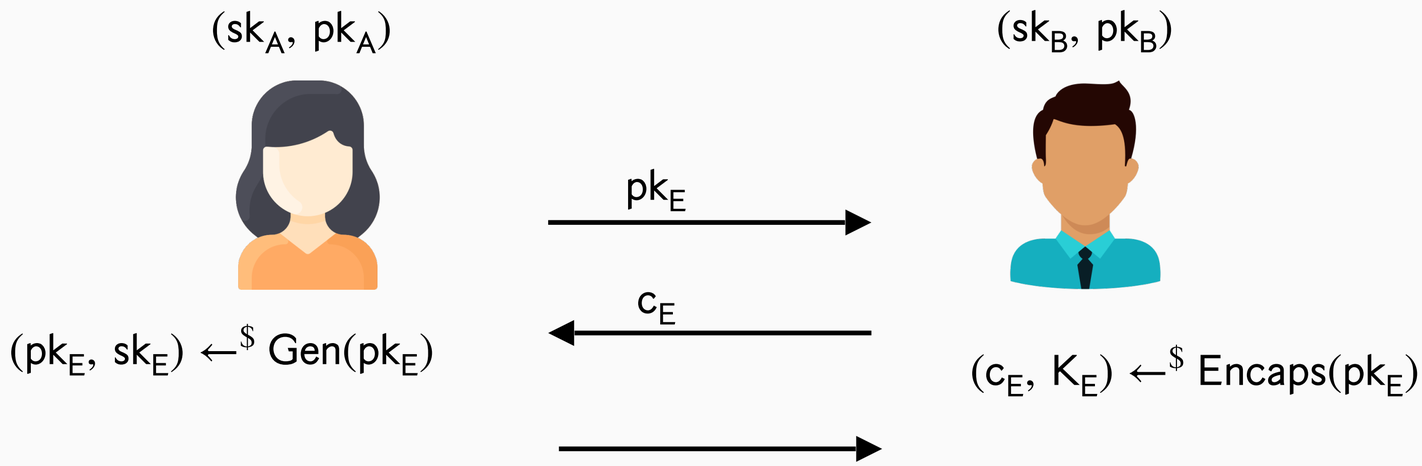

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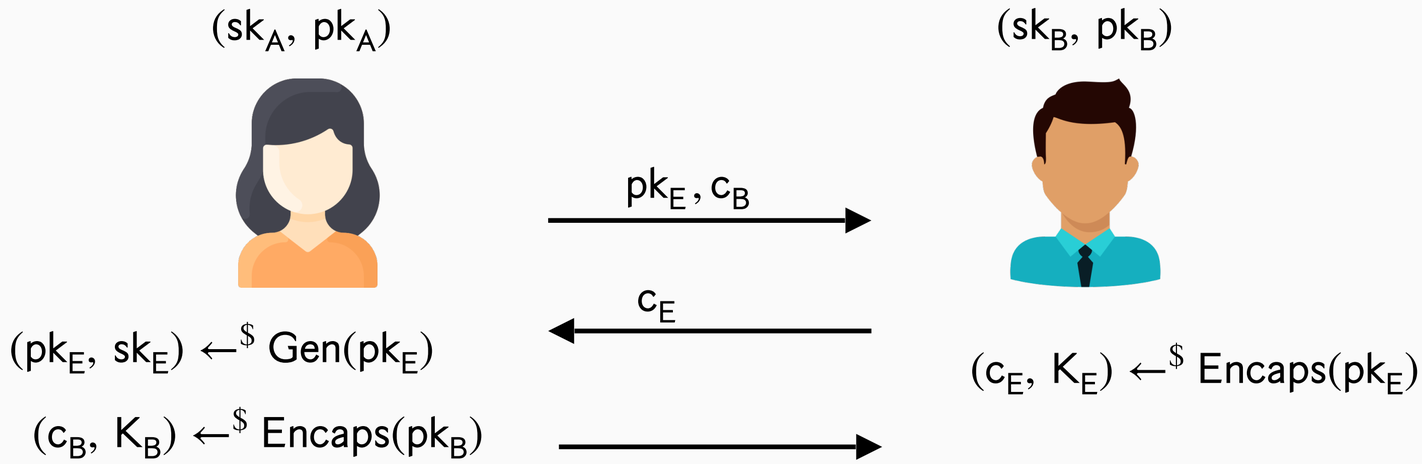

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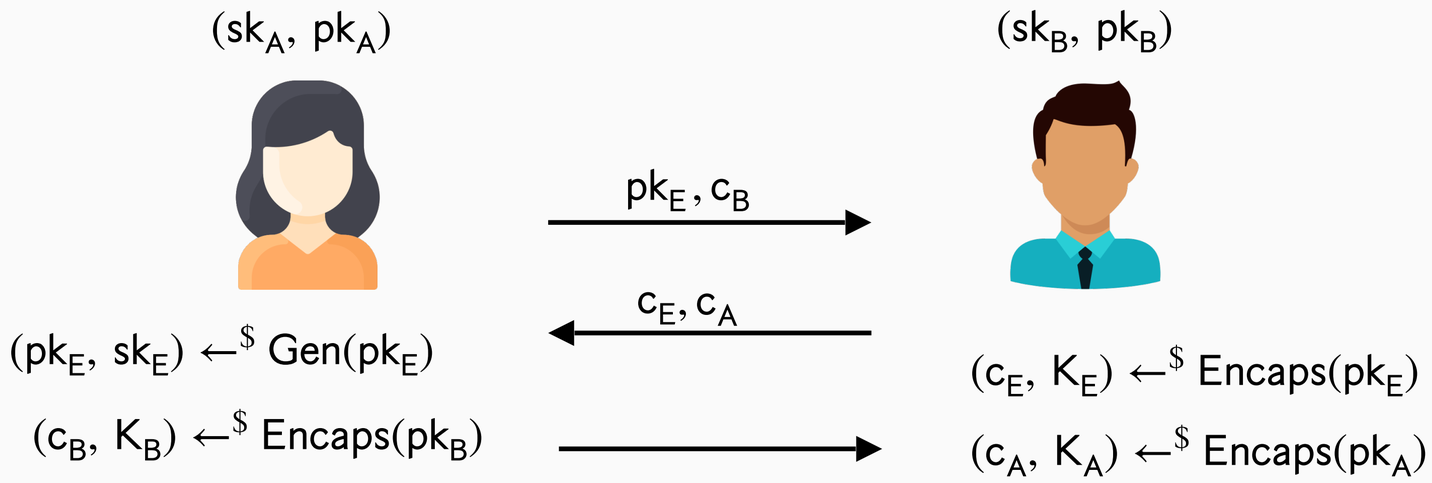

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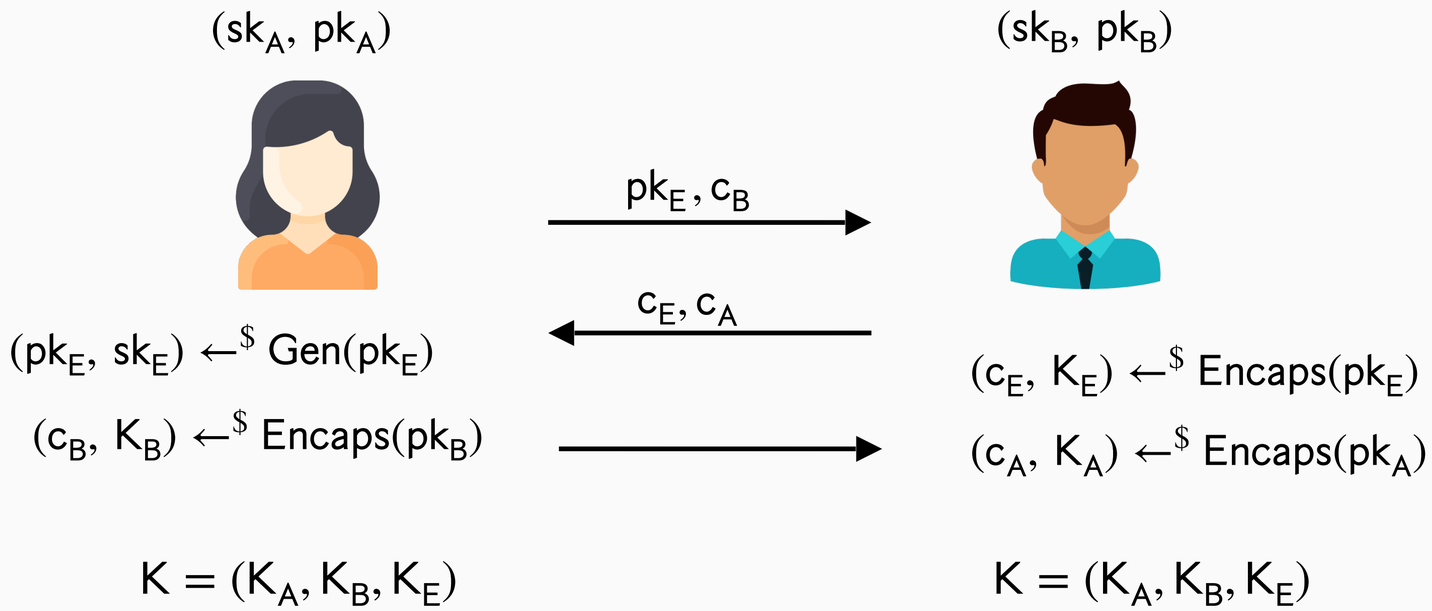

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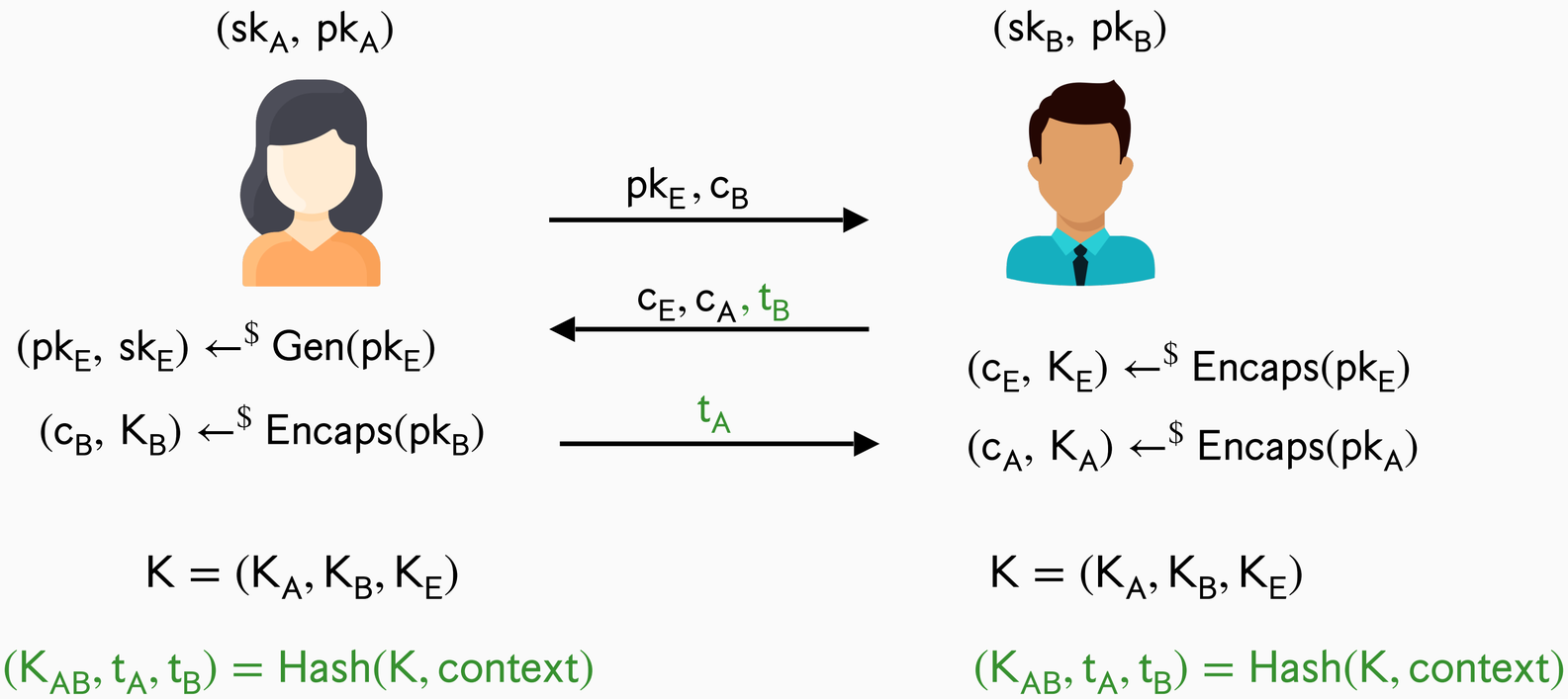

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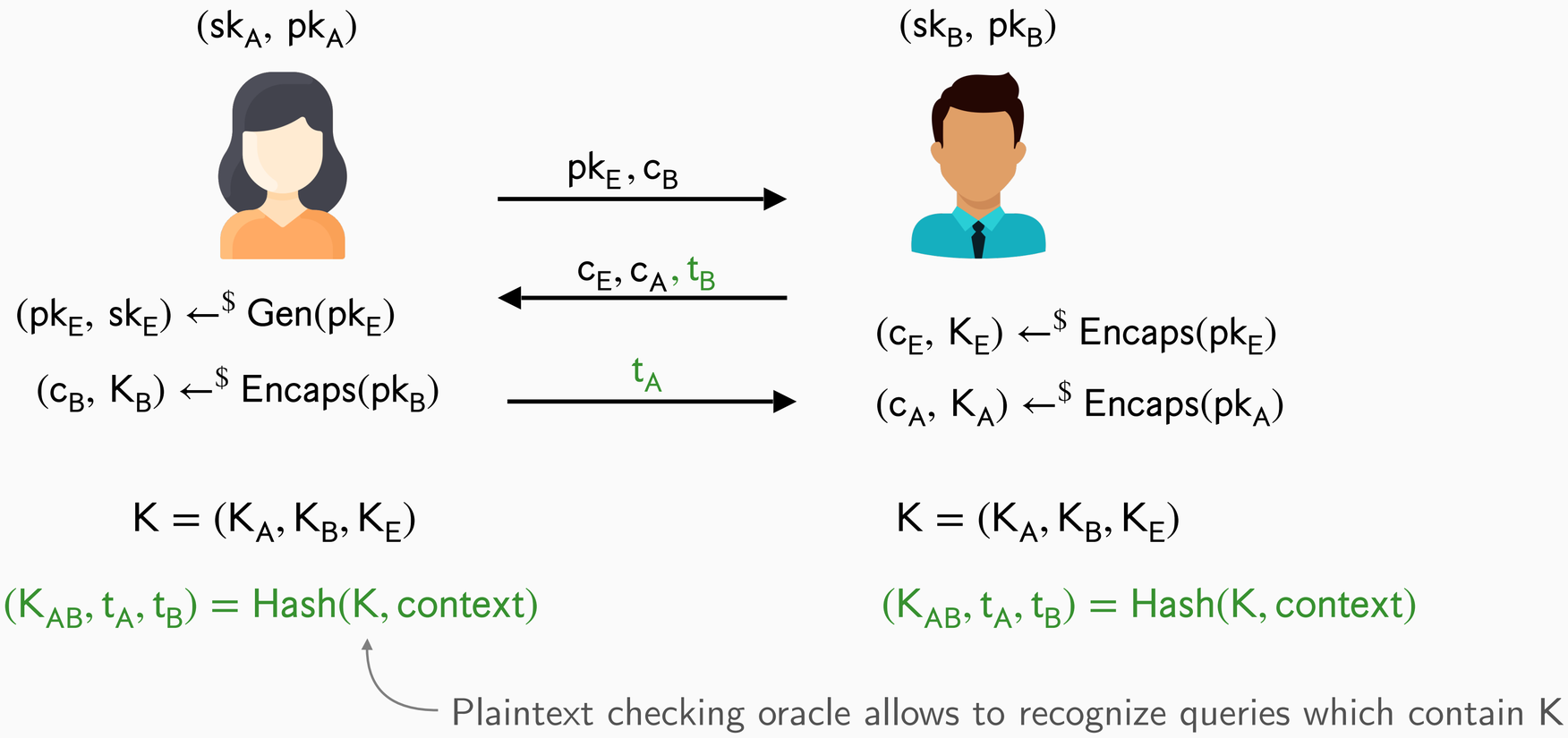

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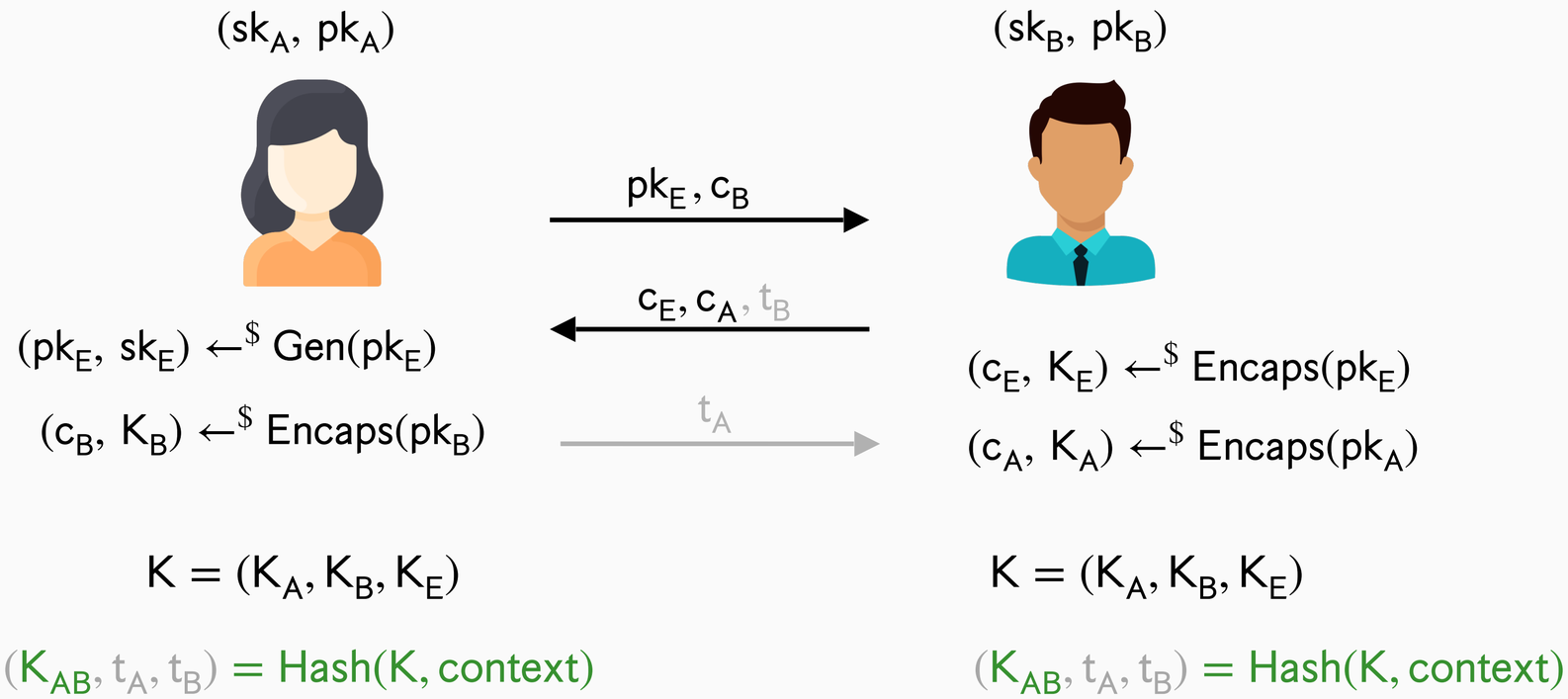

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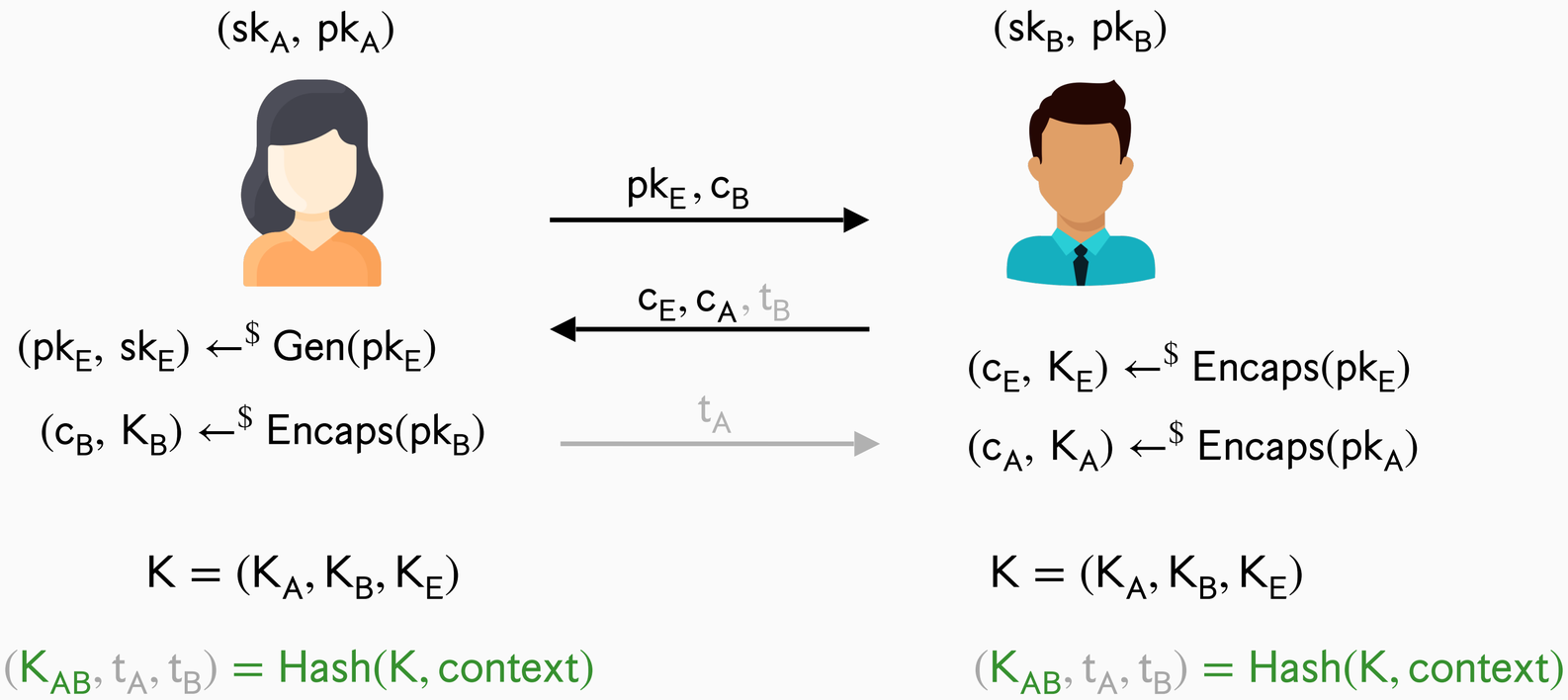

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