

Physical Randomness Extractors

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[Heninger+]

How can we be sure it's random?

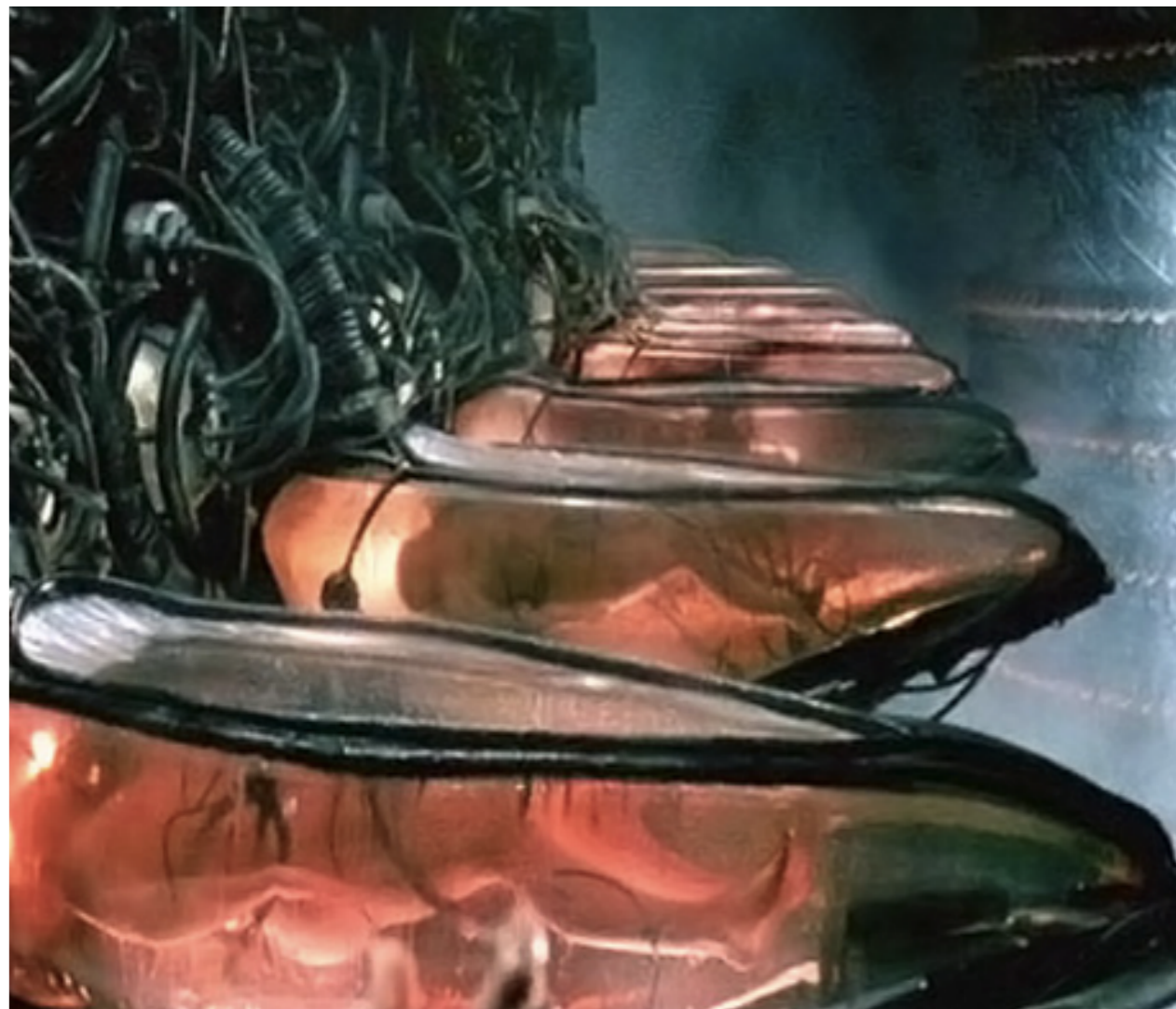


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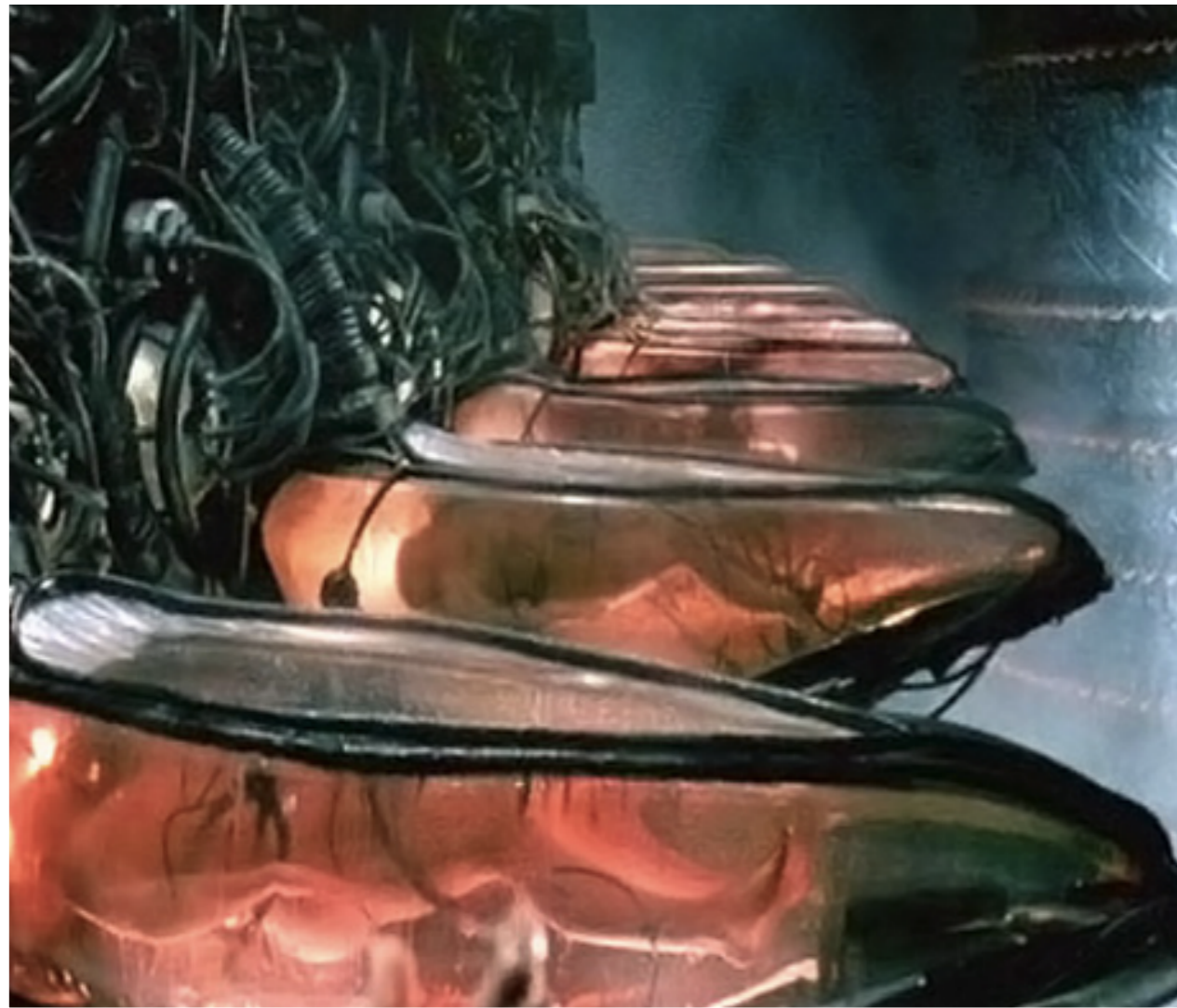
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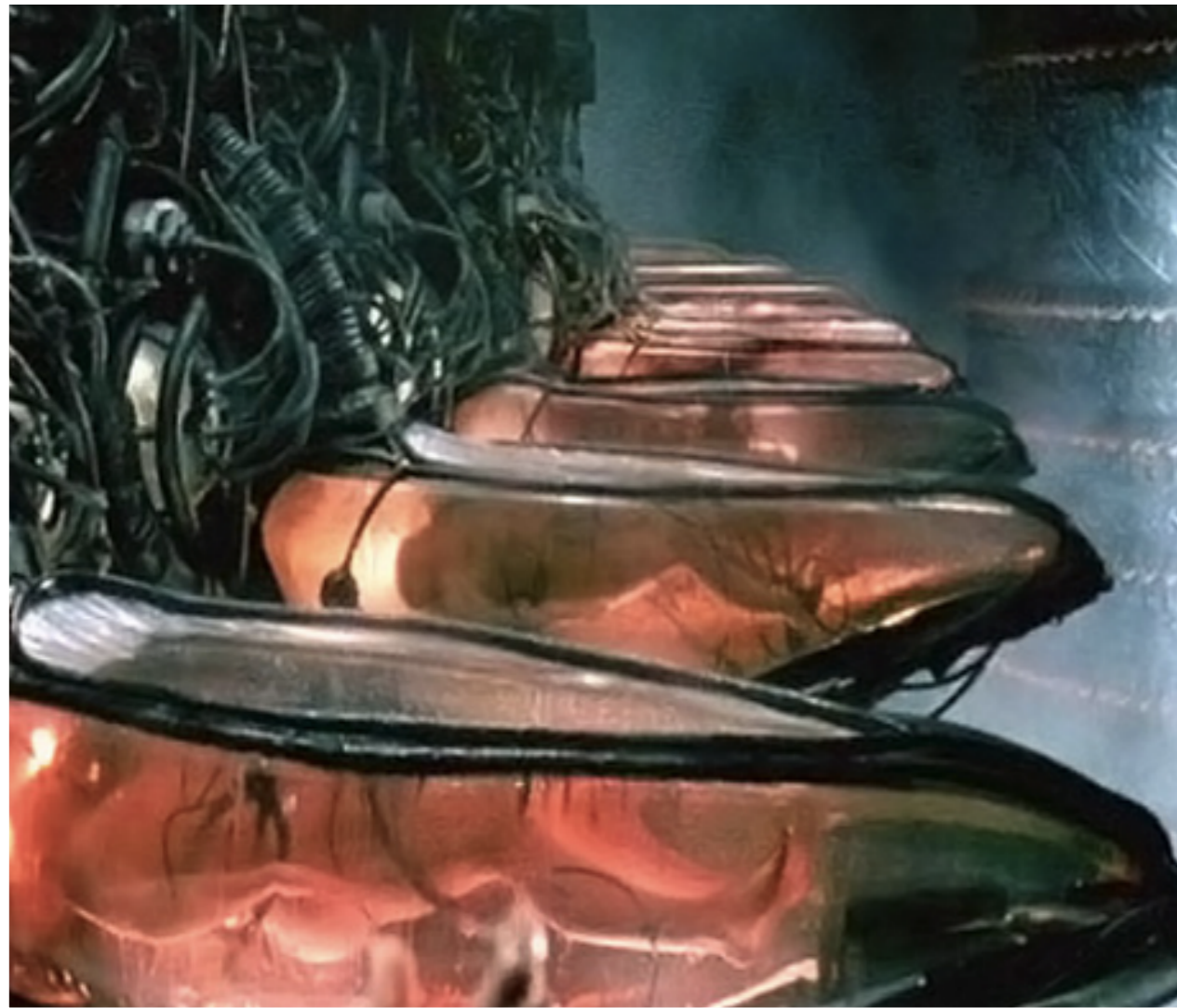
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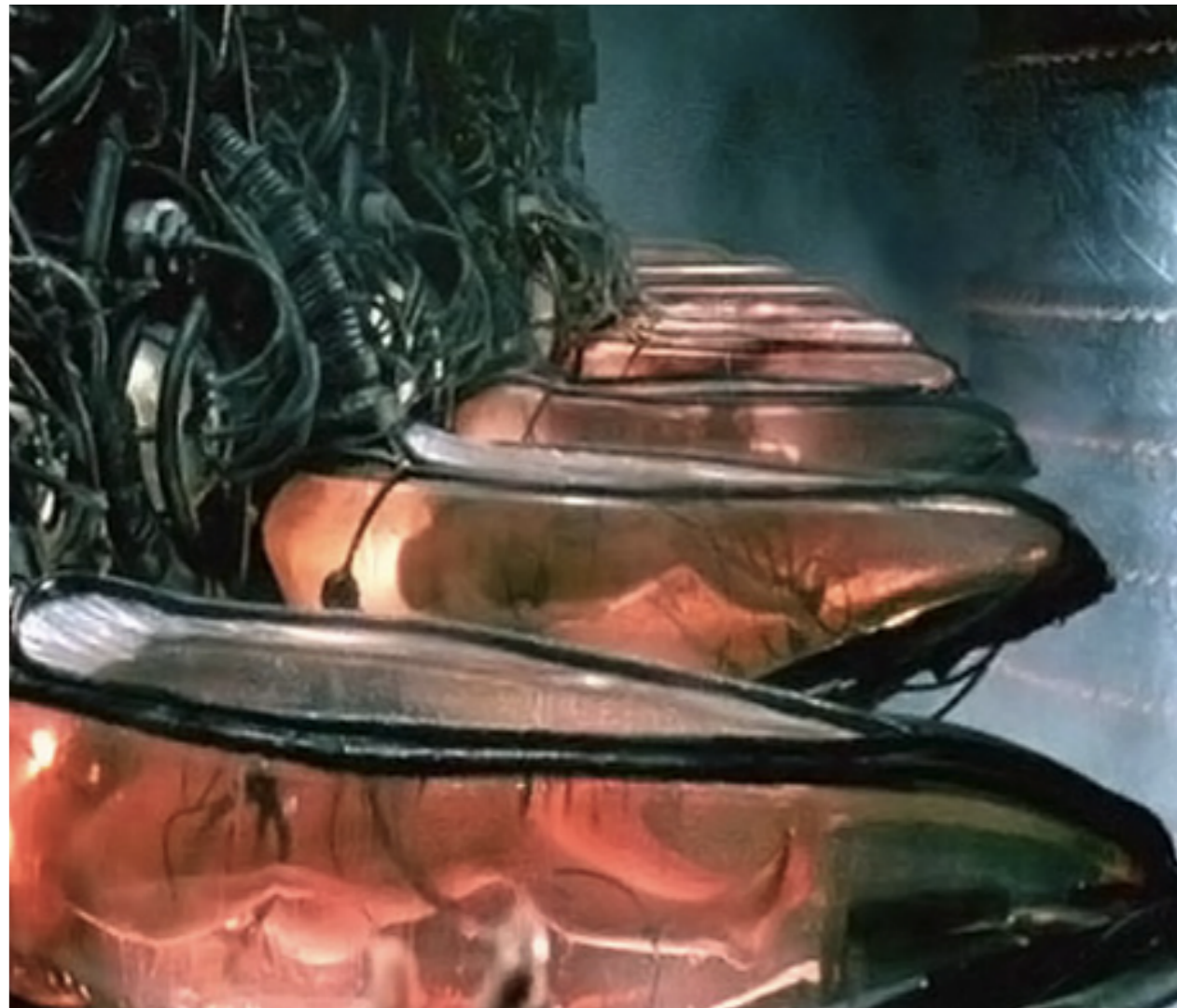
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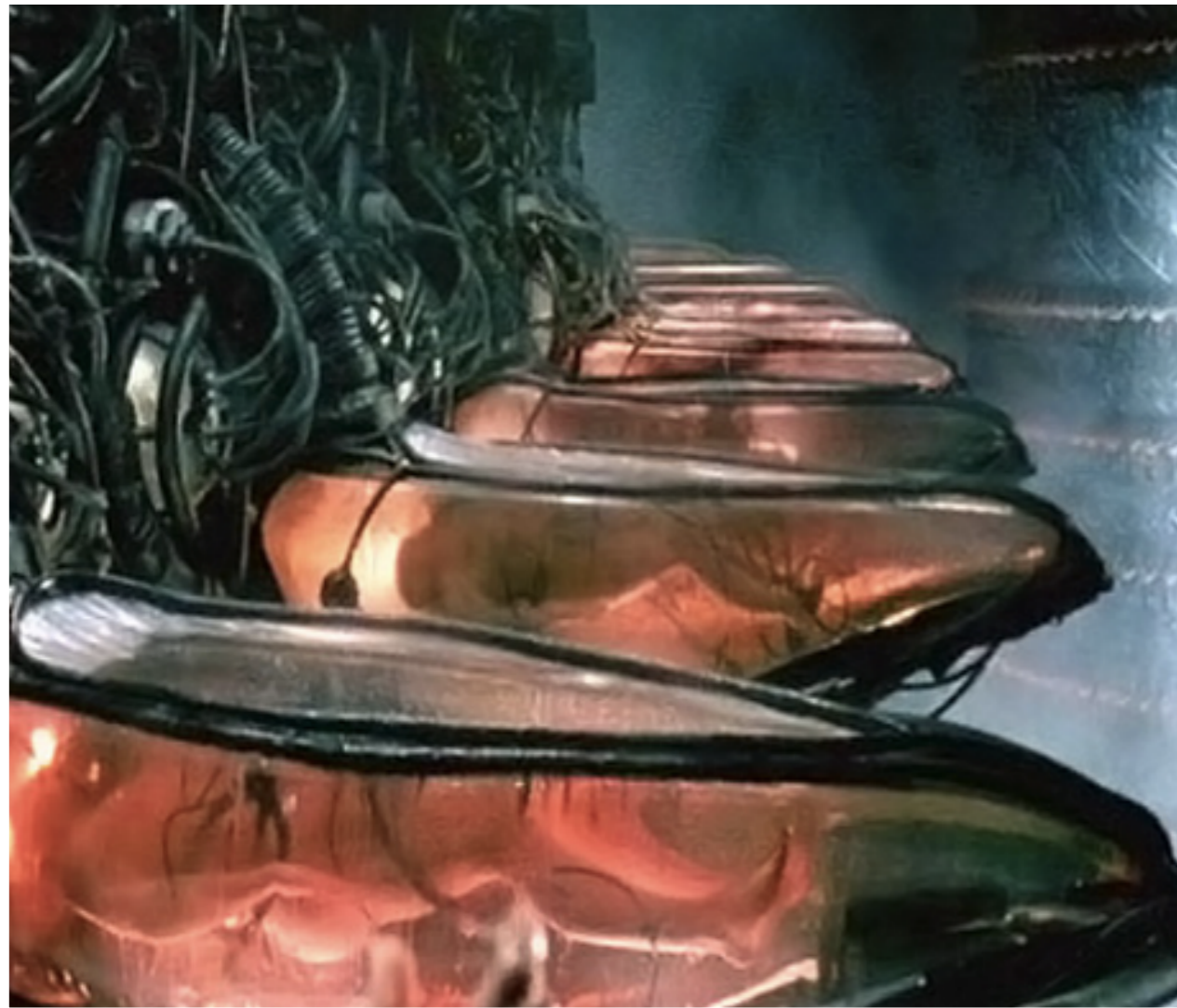
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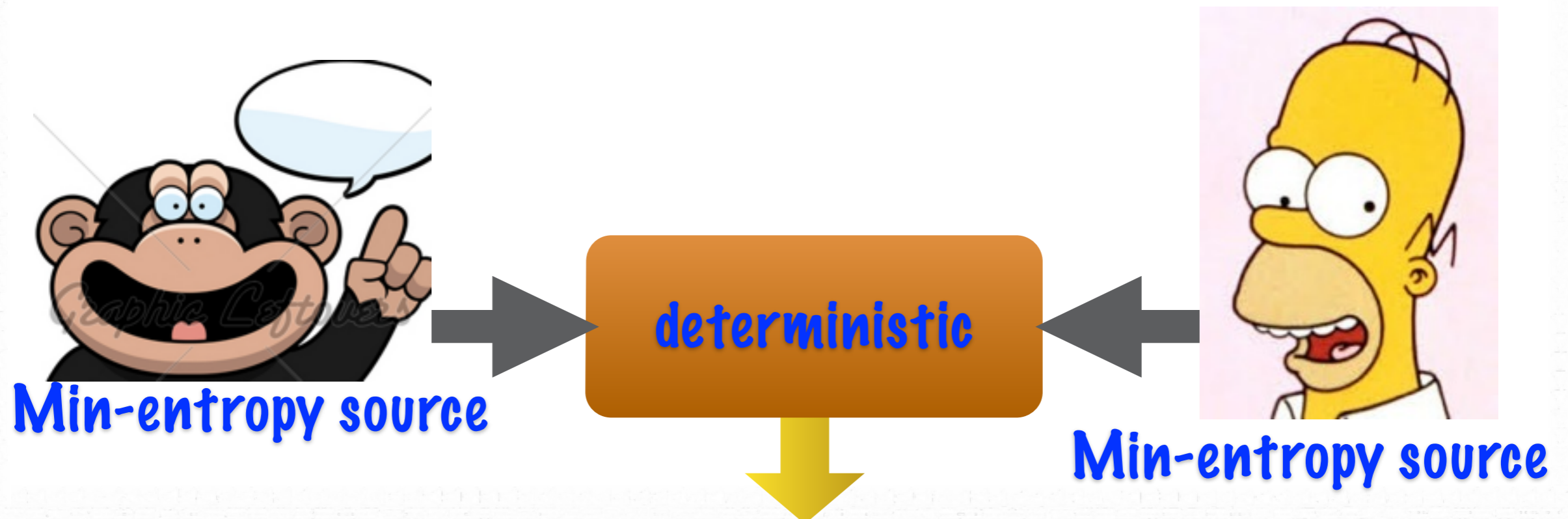
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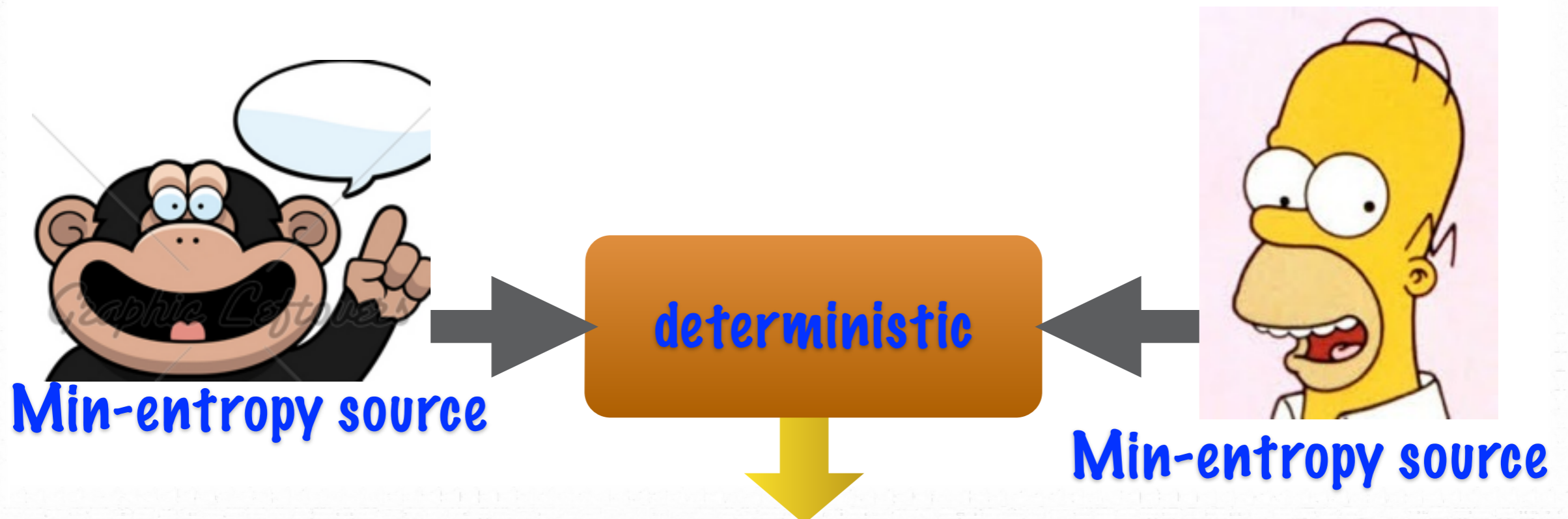
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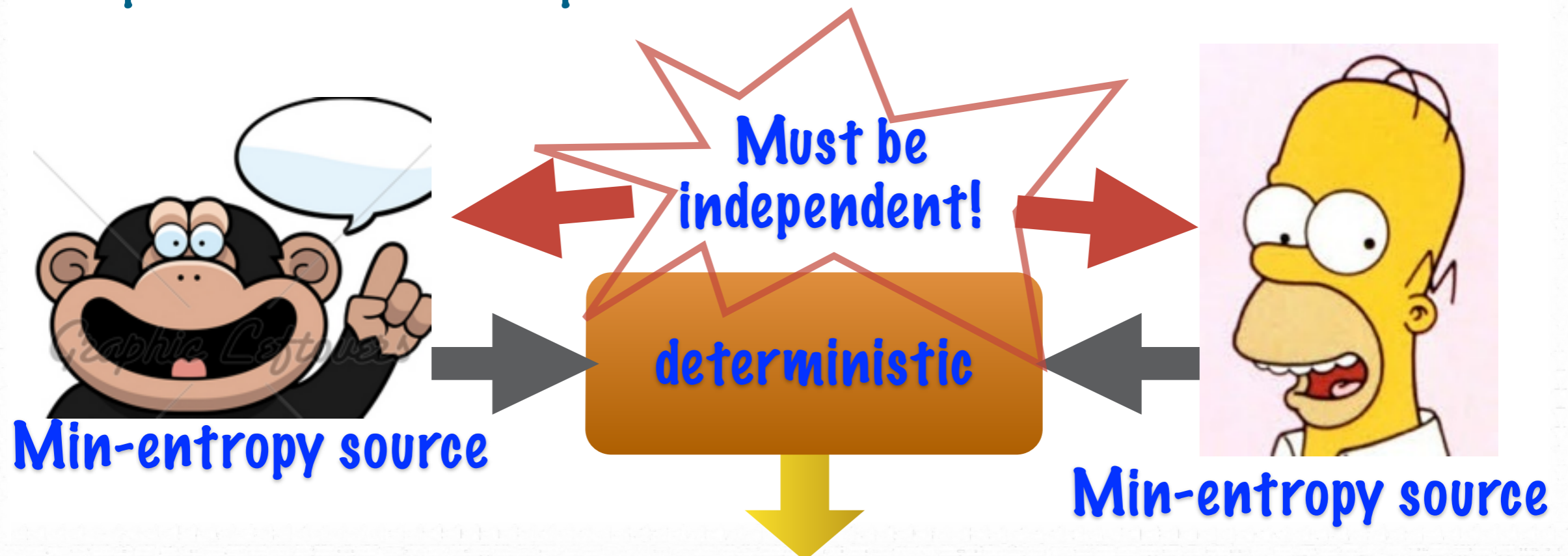
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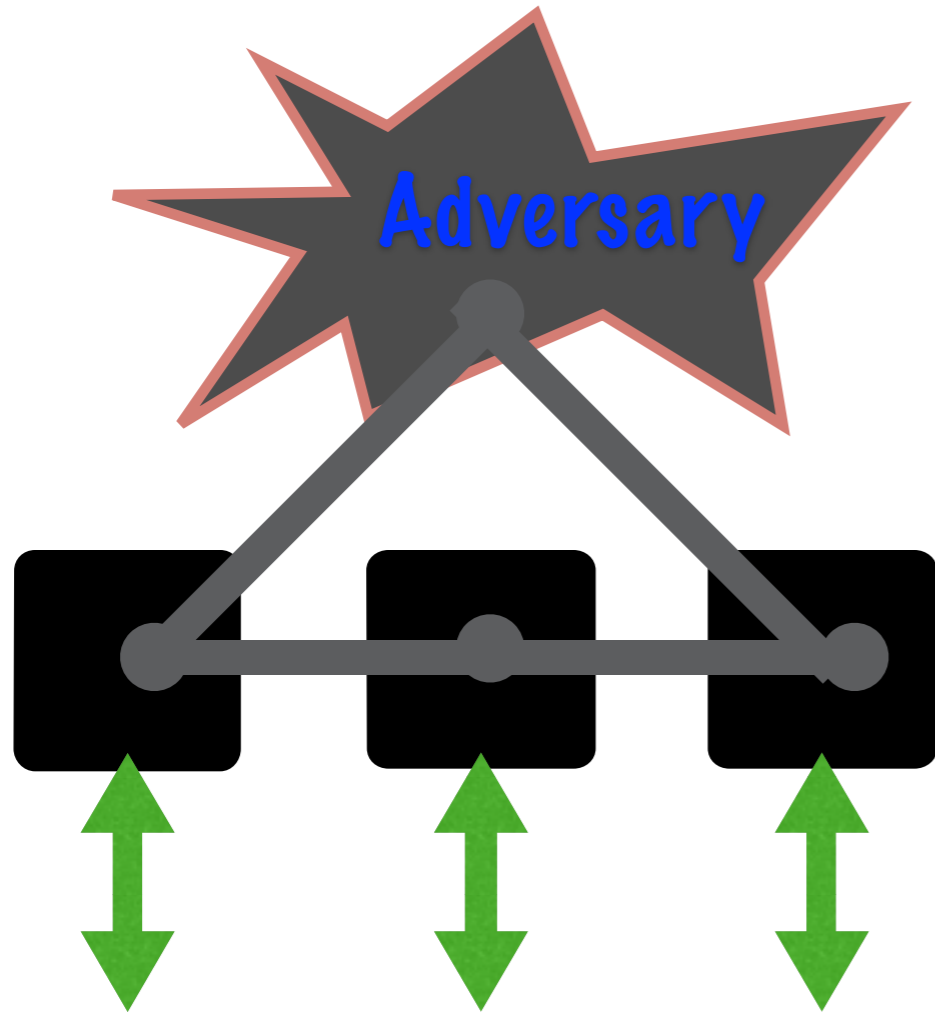
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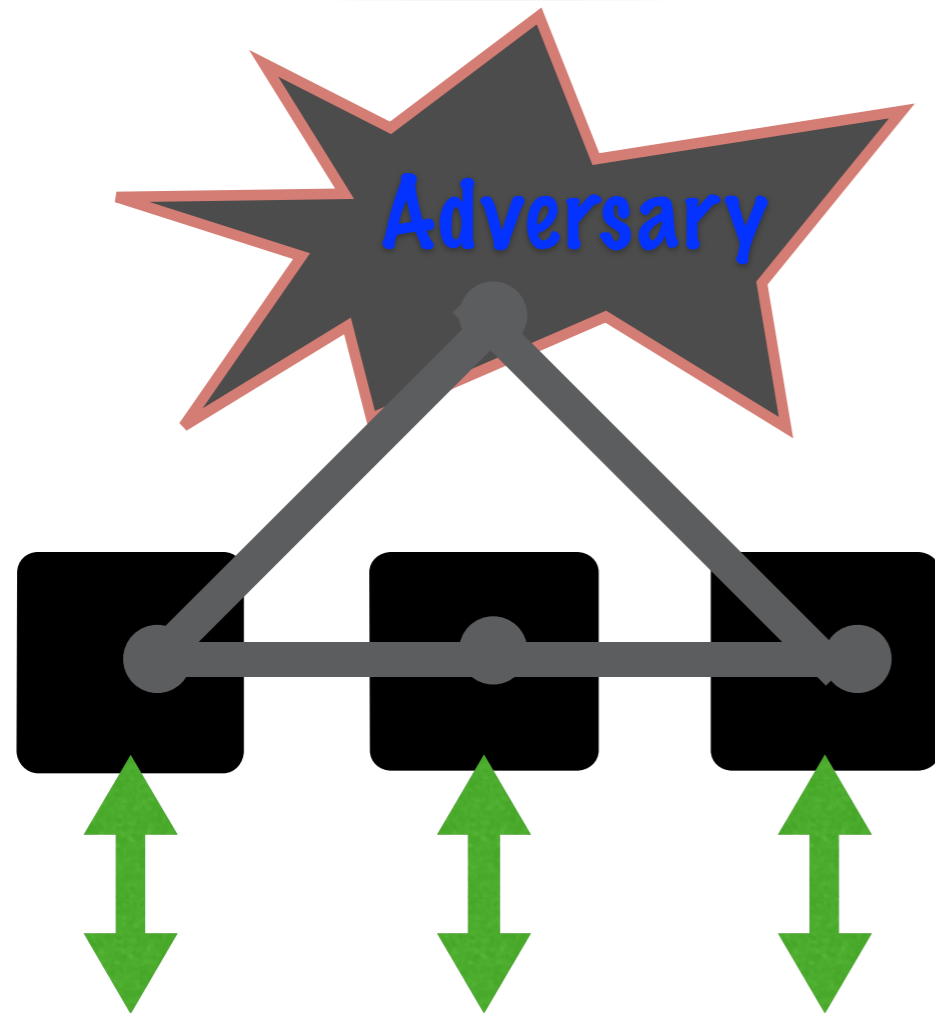
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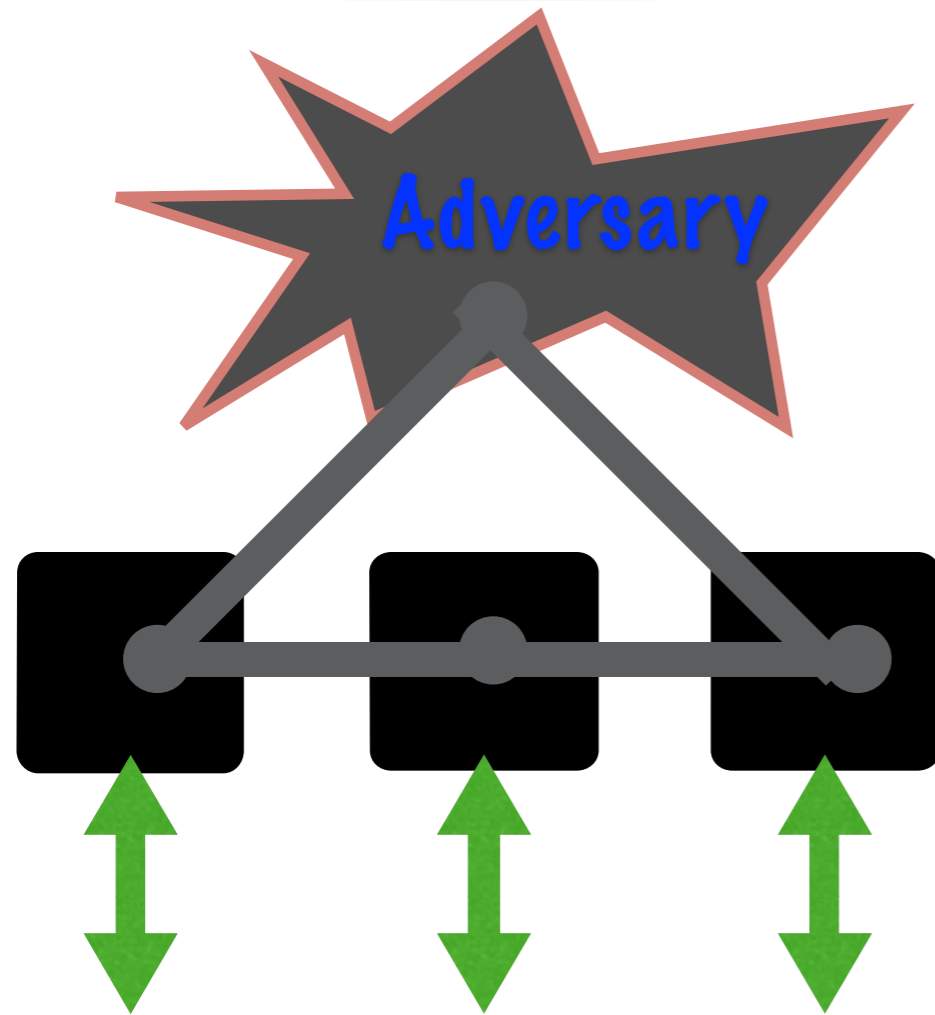
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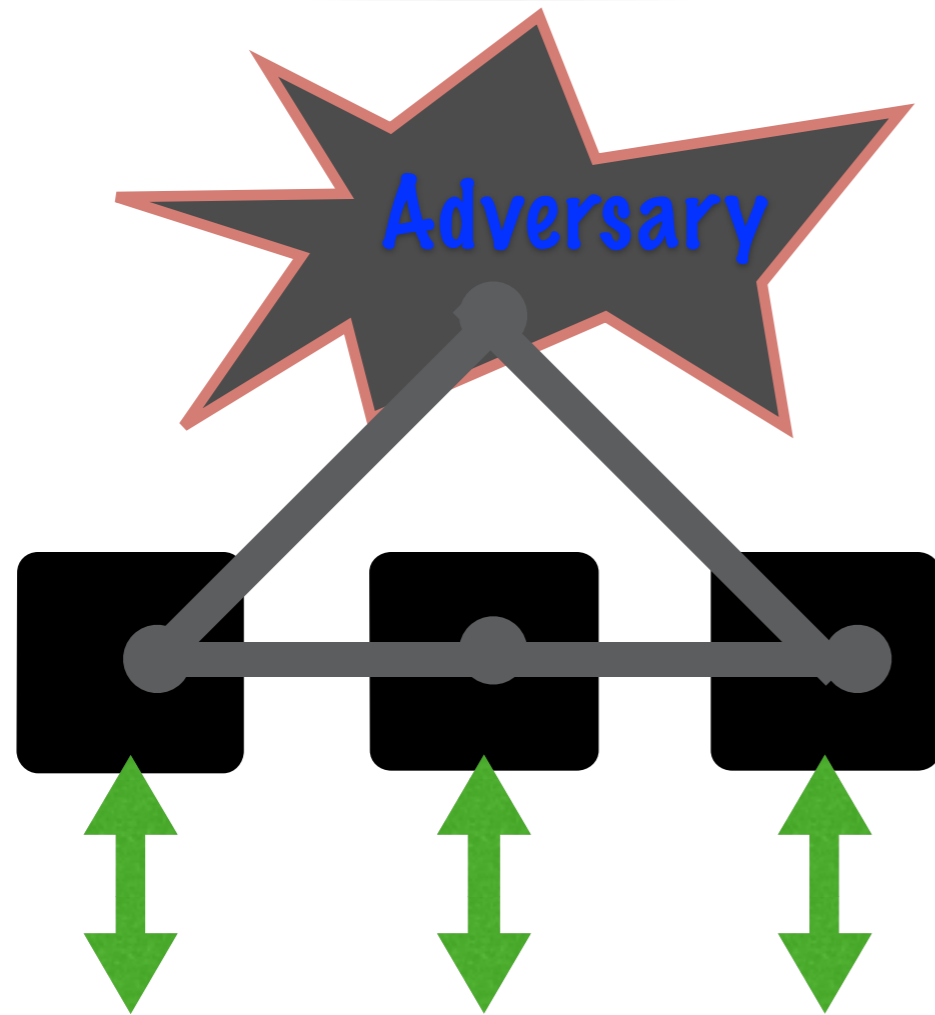
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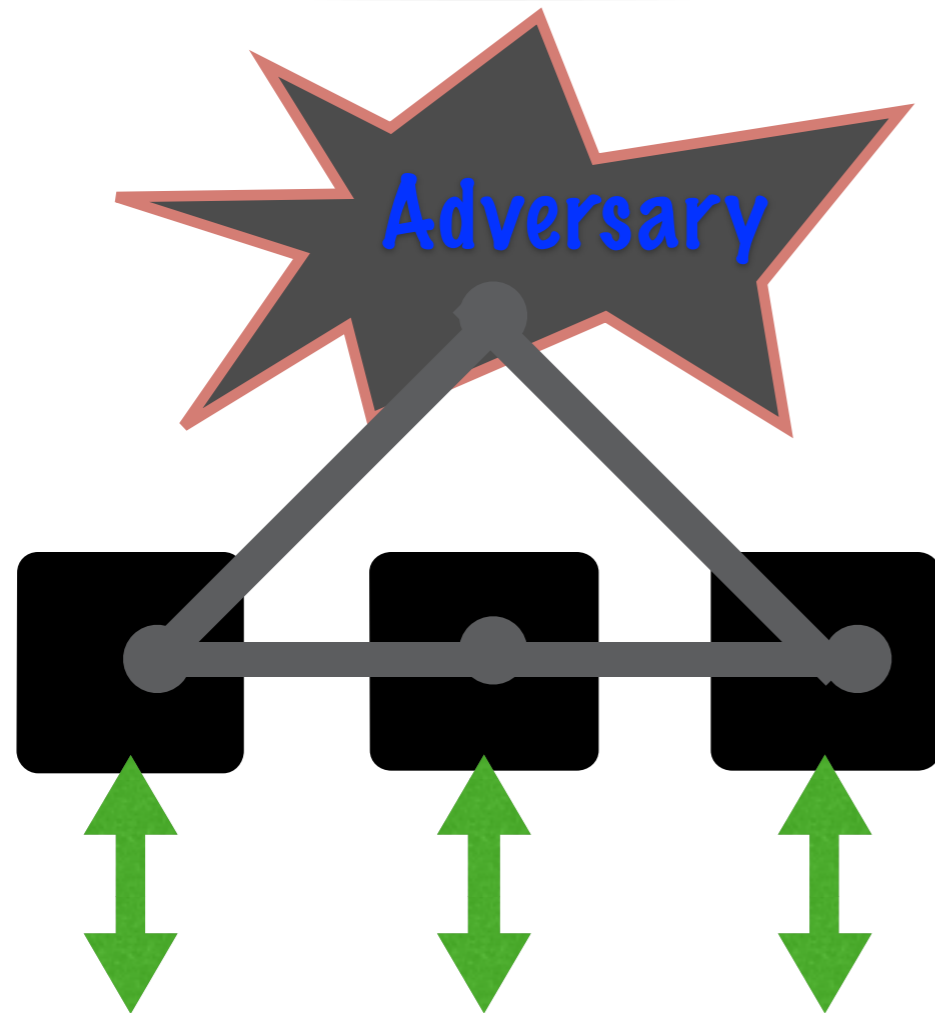
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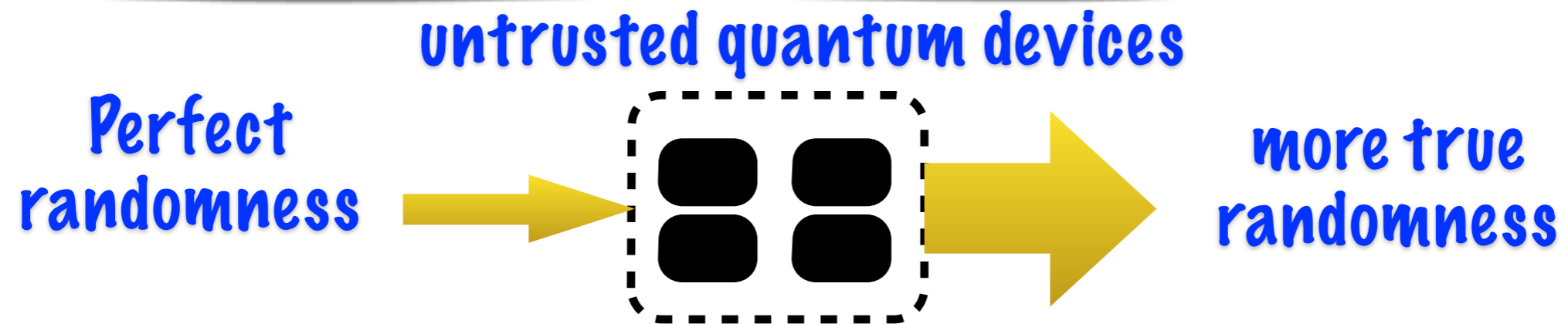
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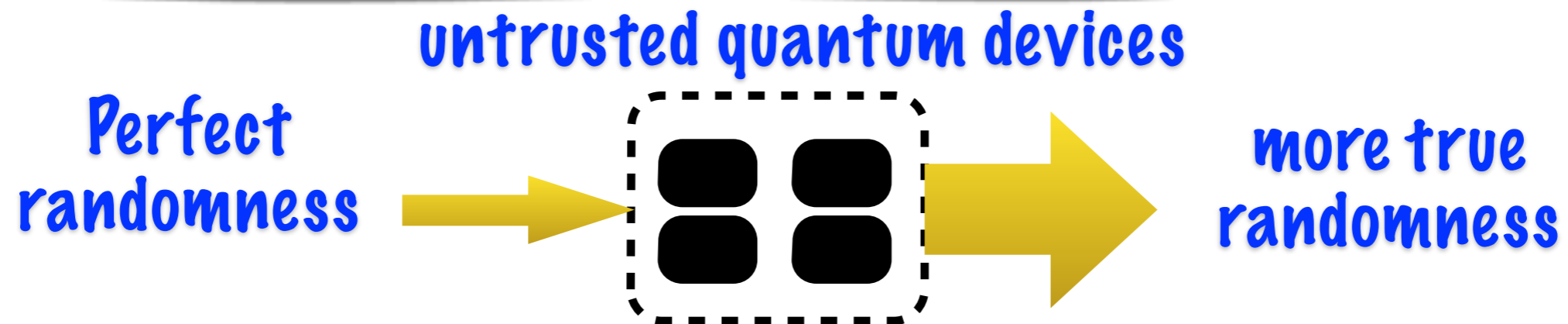
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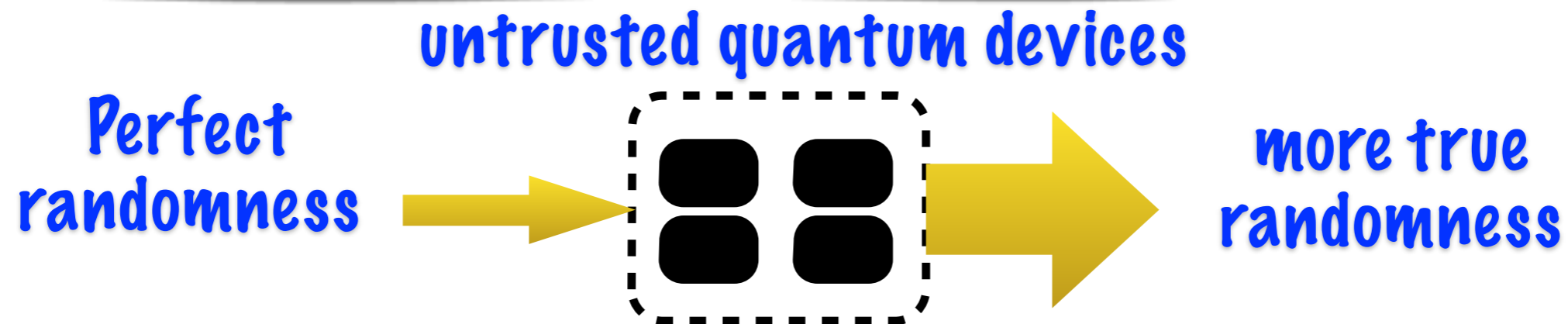


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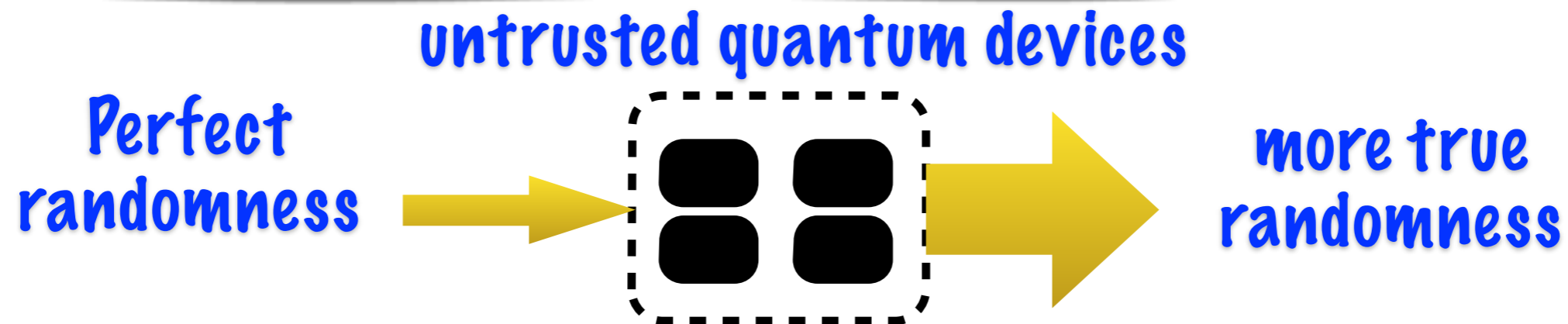
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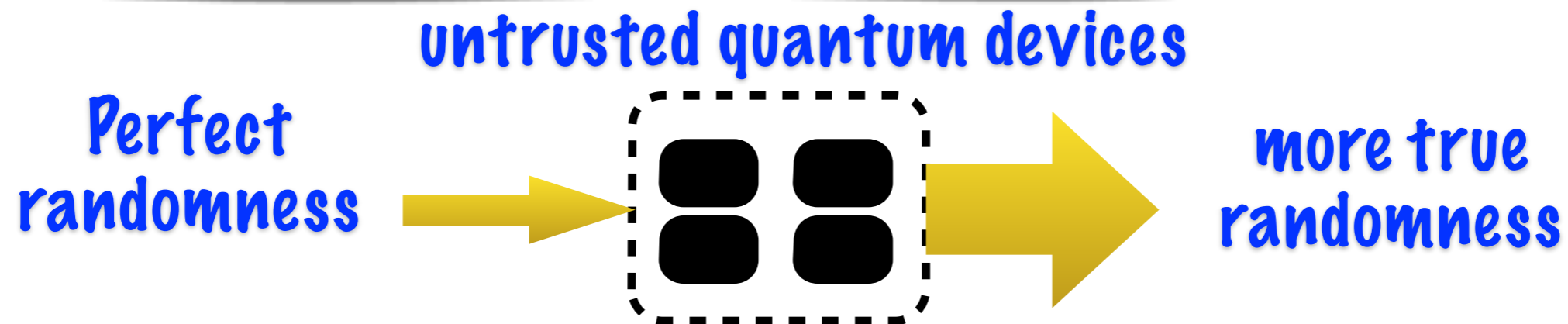
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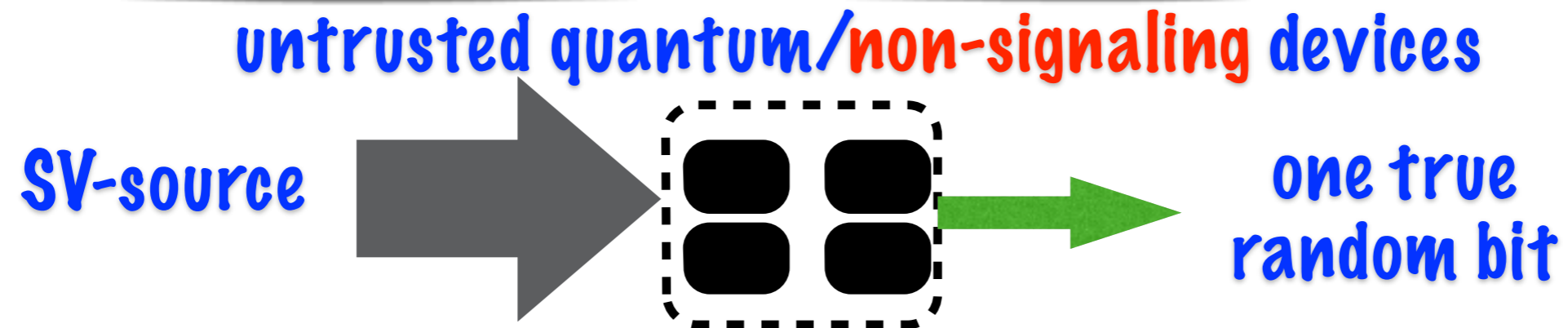
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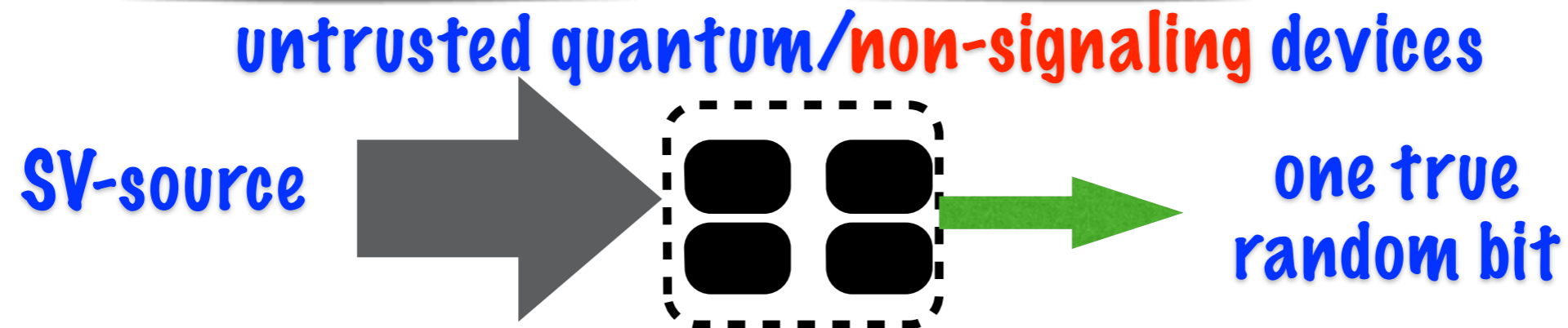
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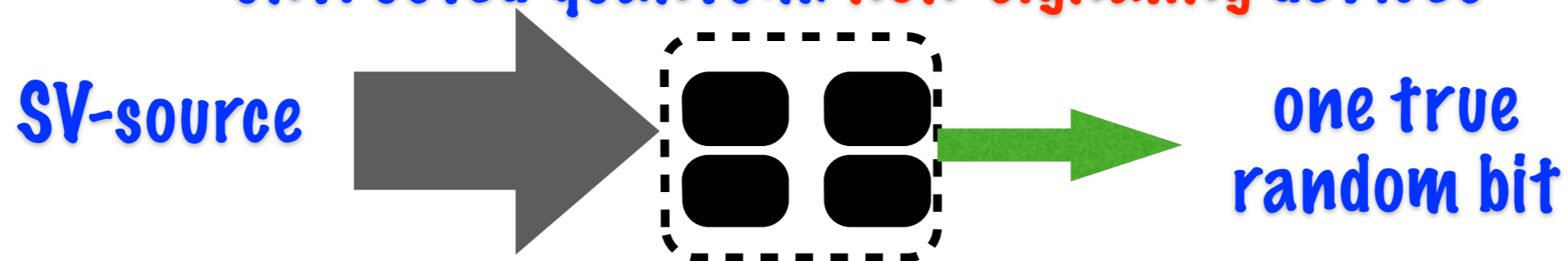
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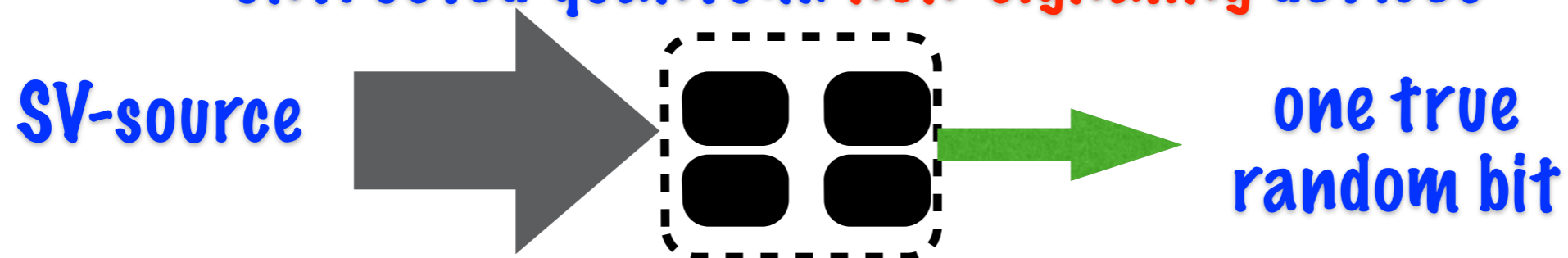


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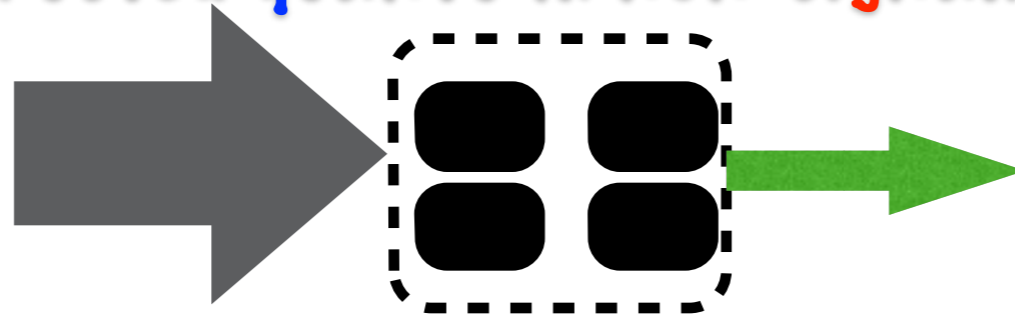
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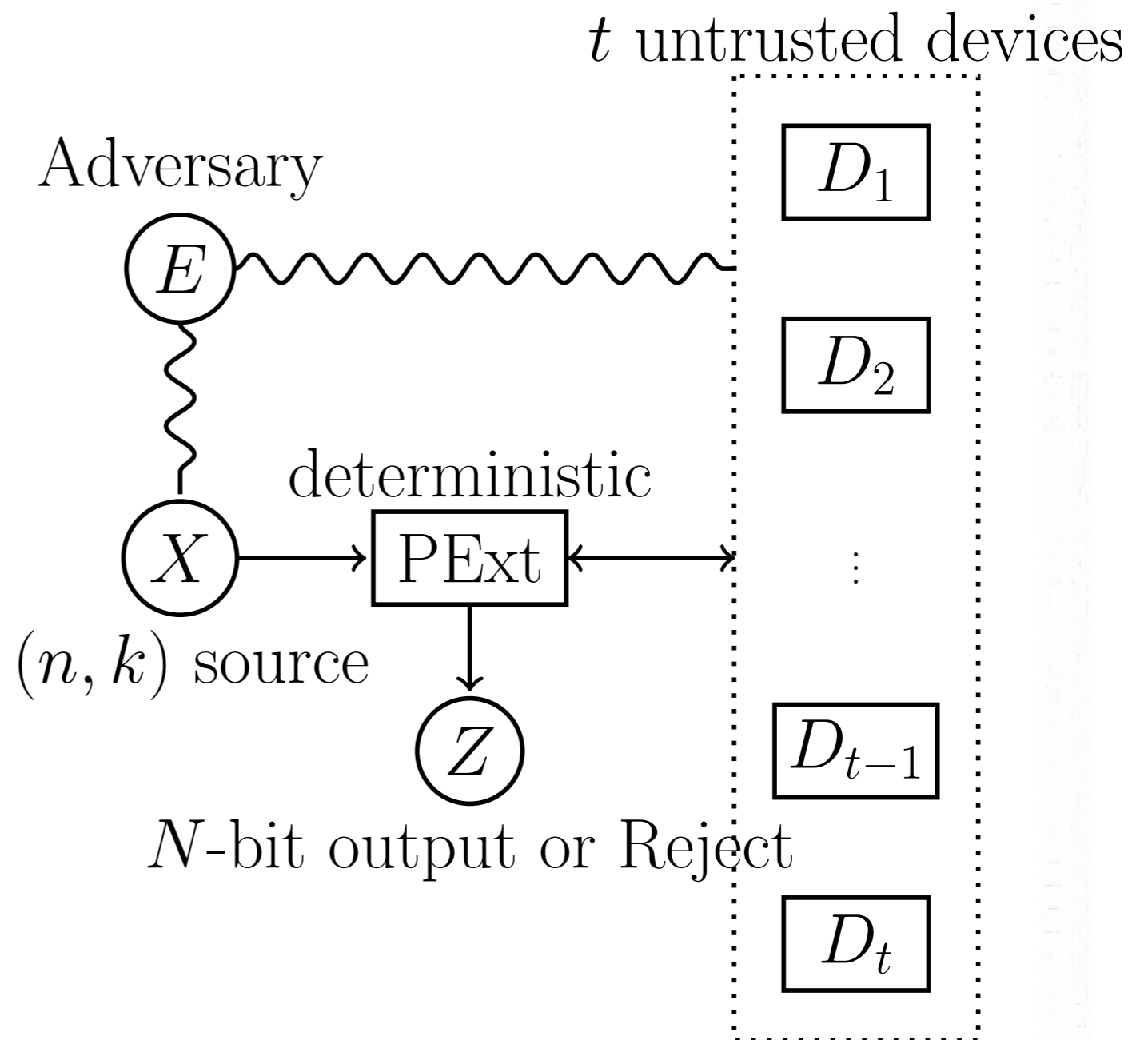


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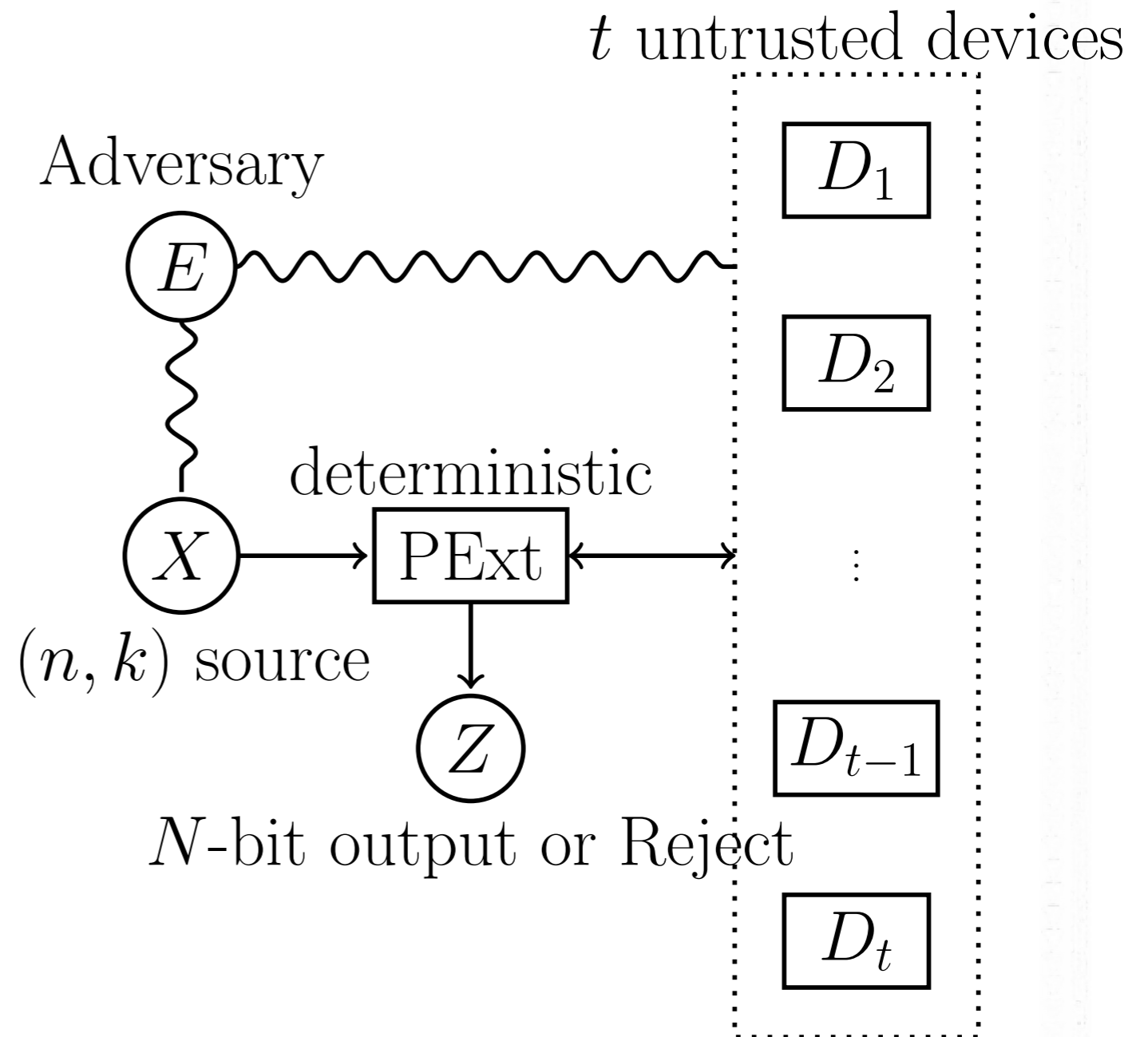
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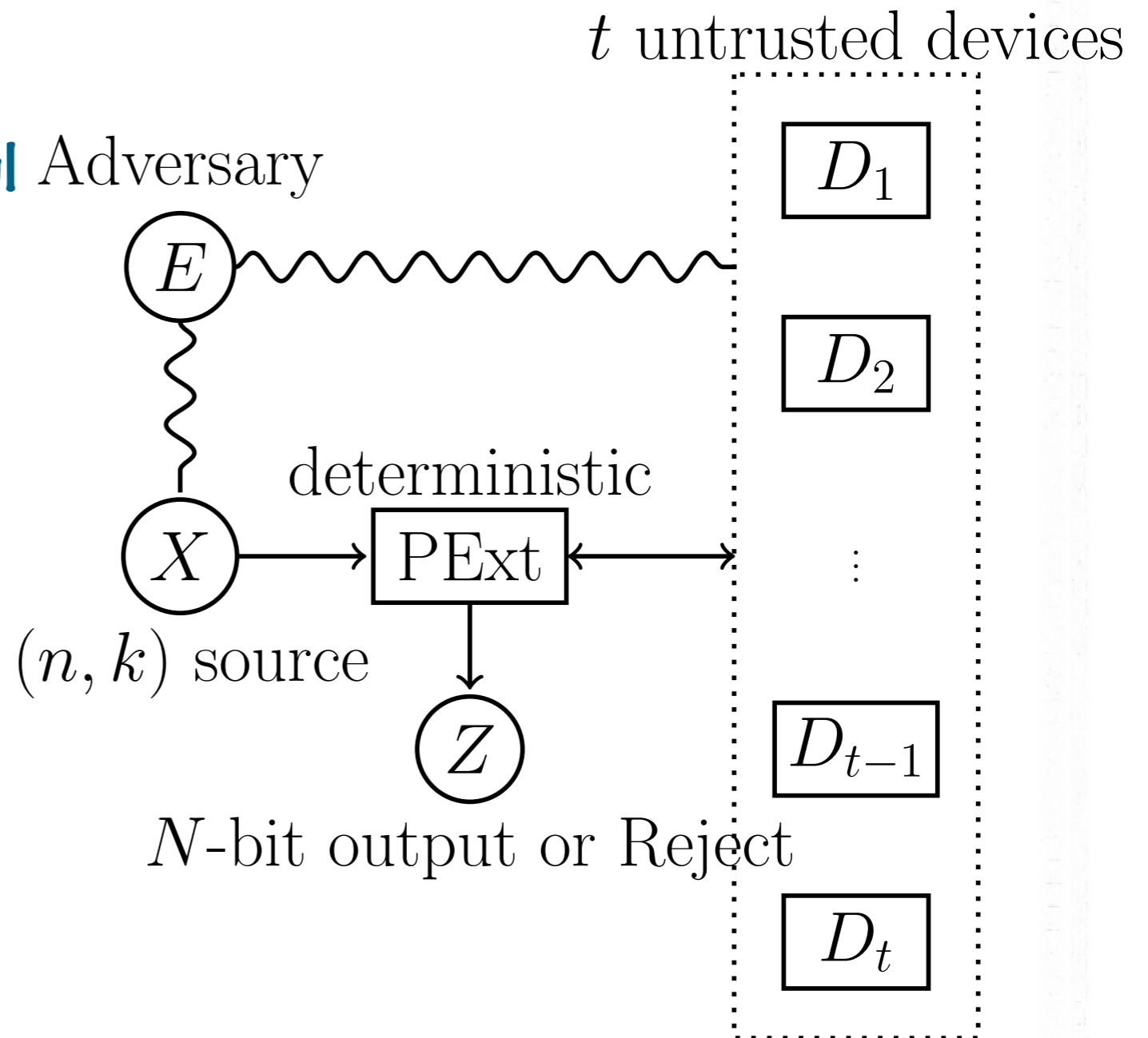
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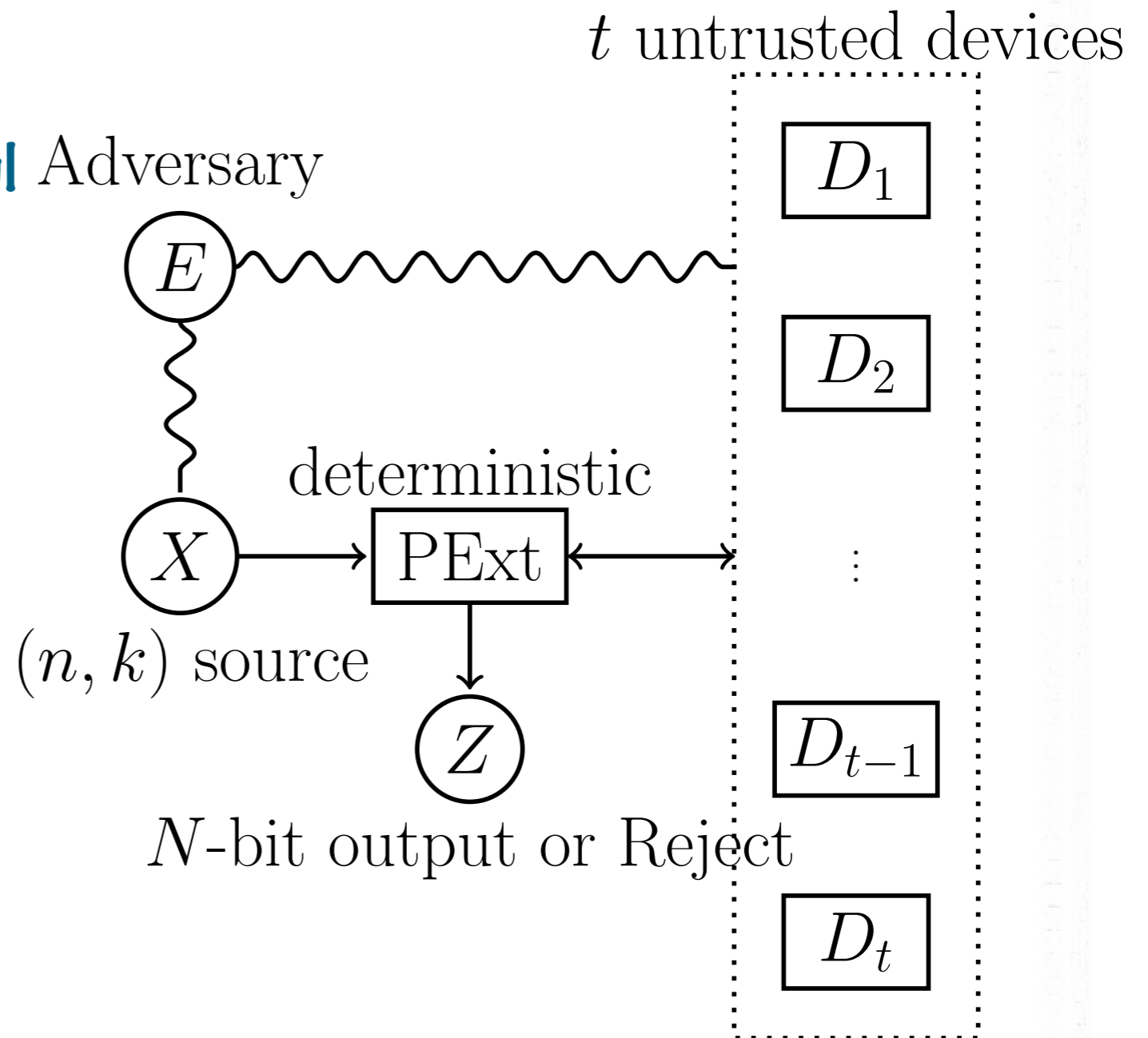
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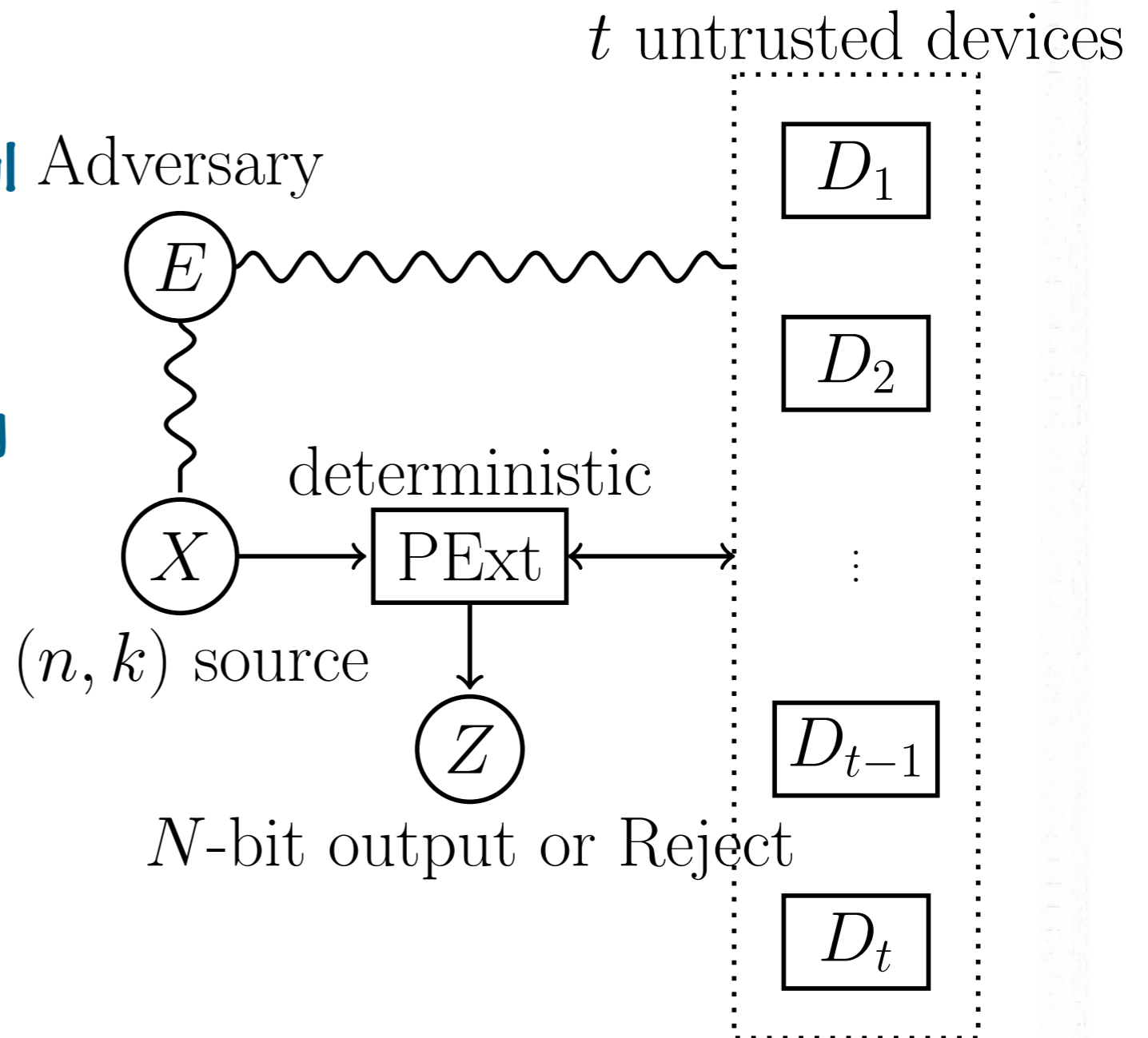
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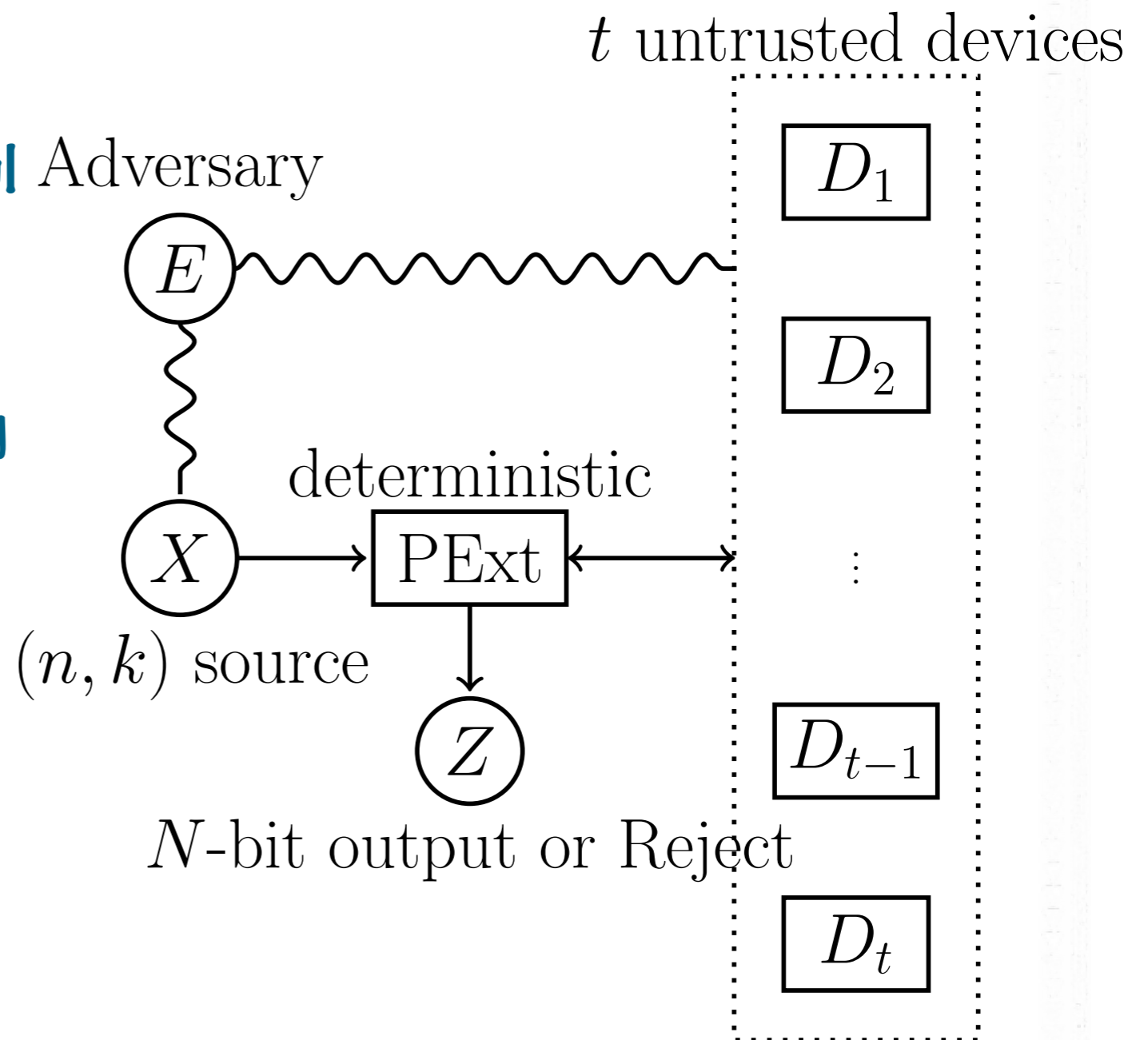
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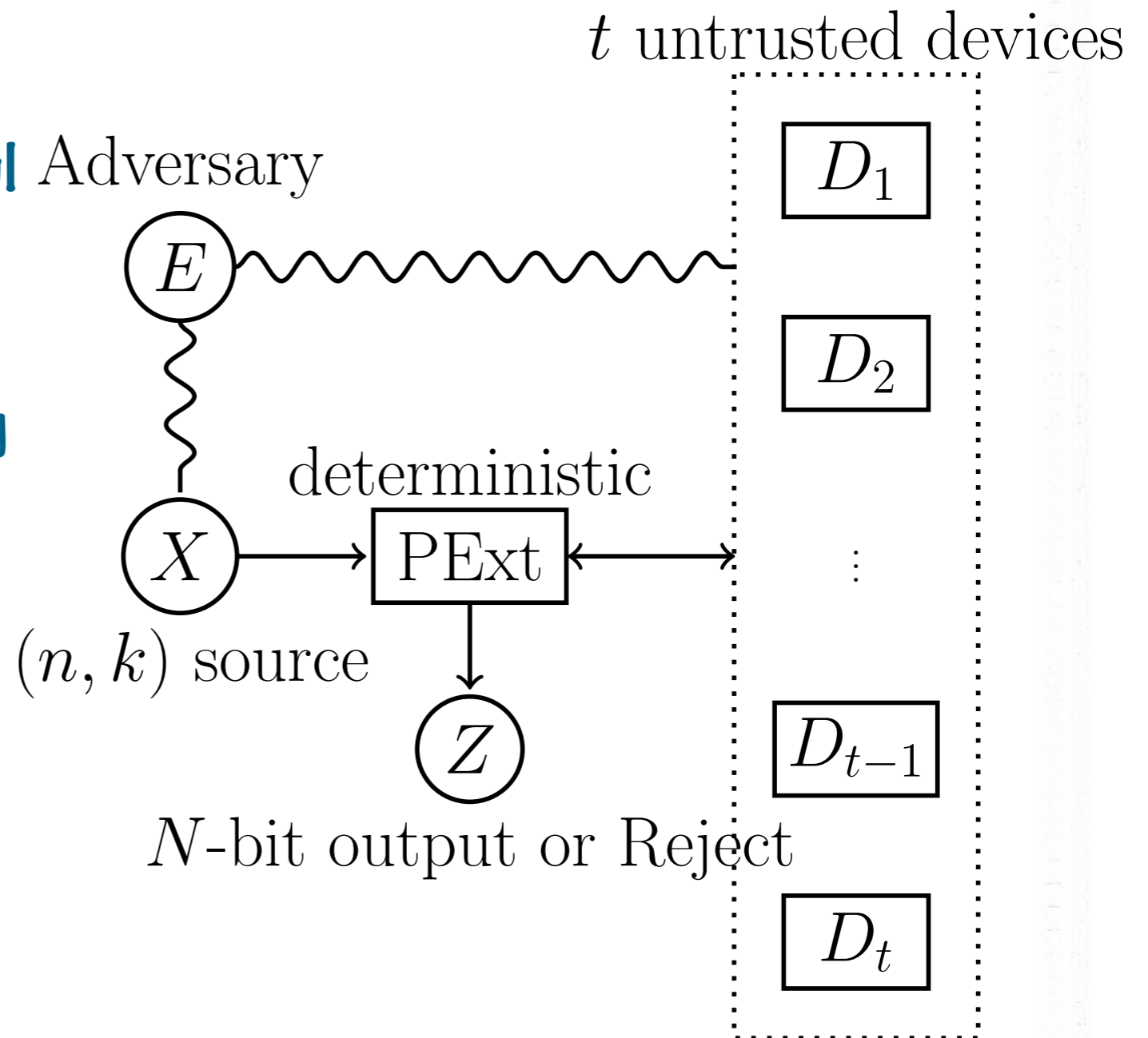
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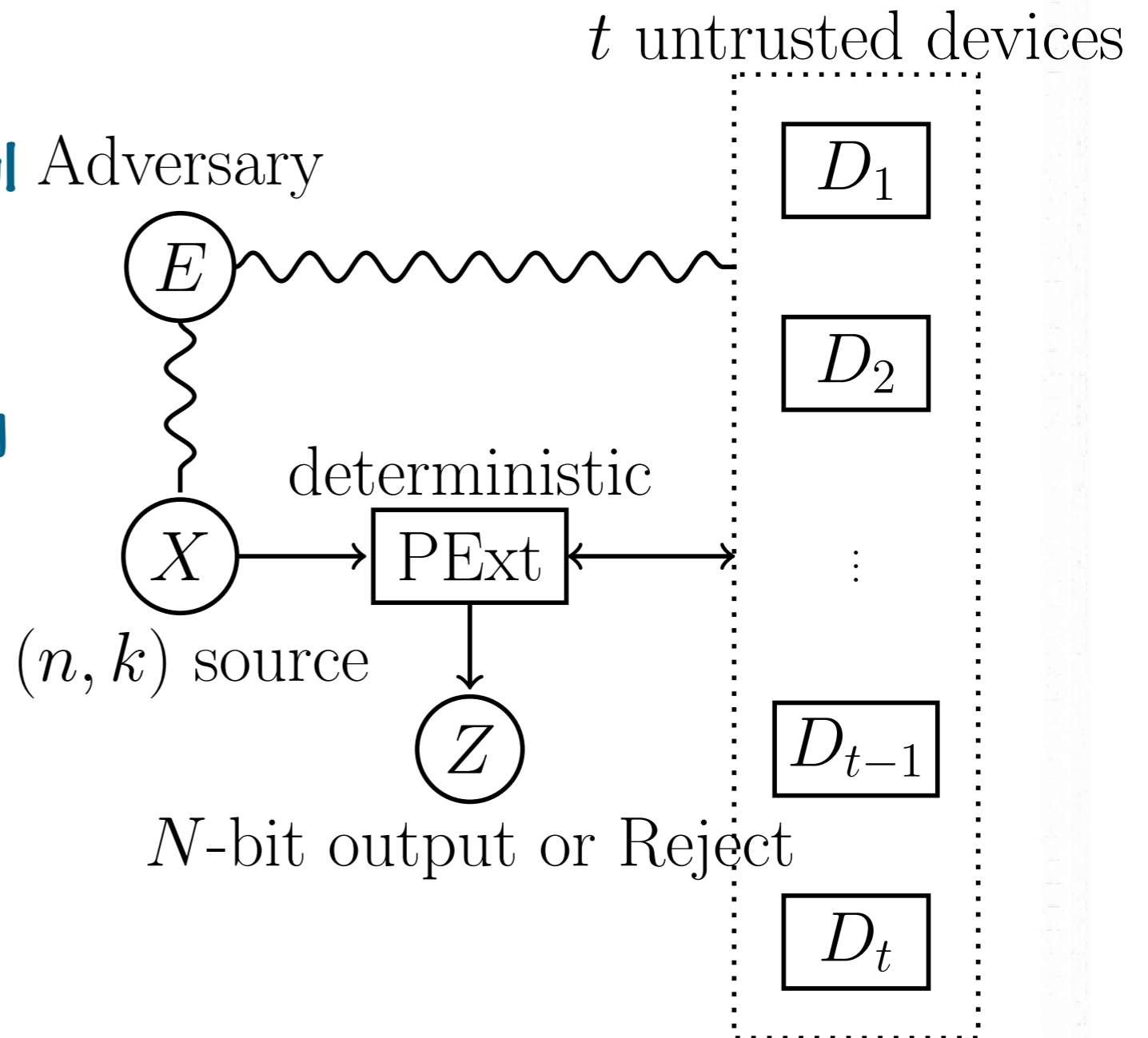
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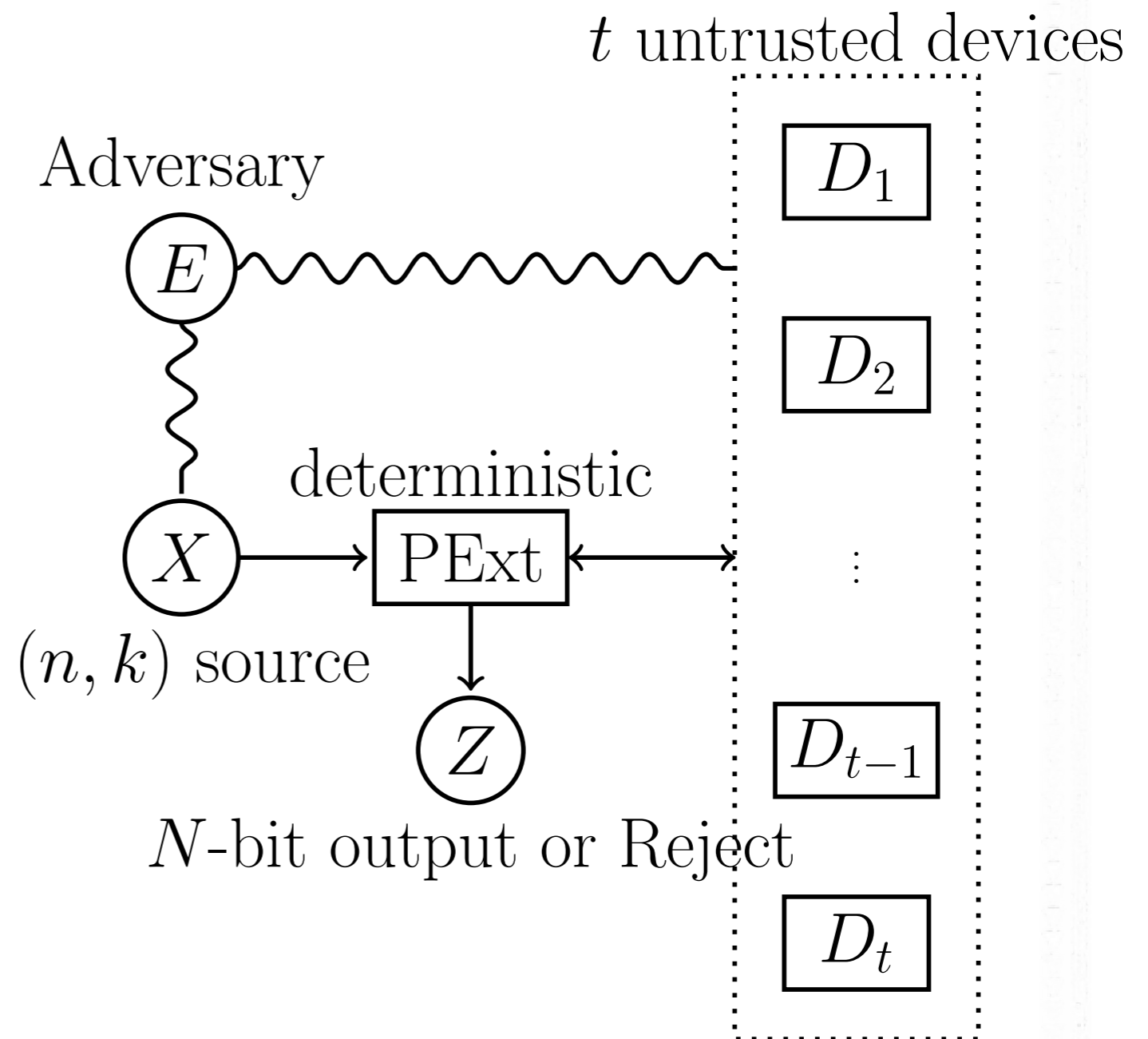
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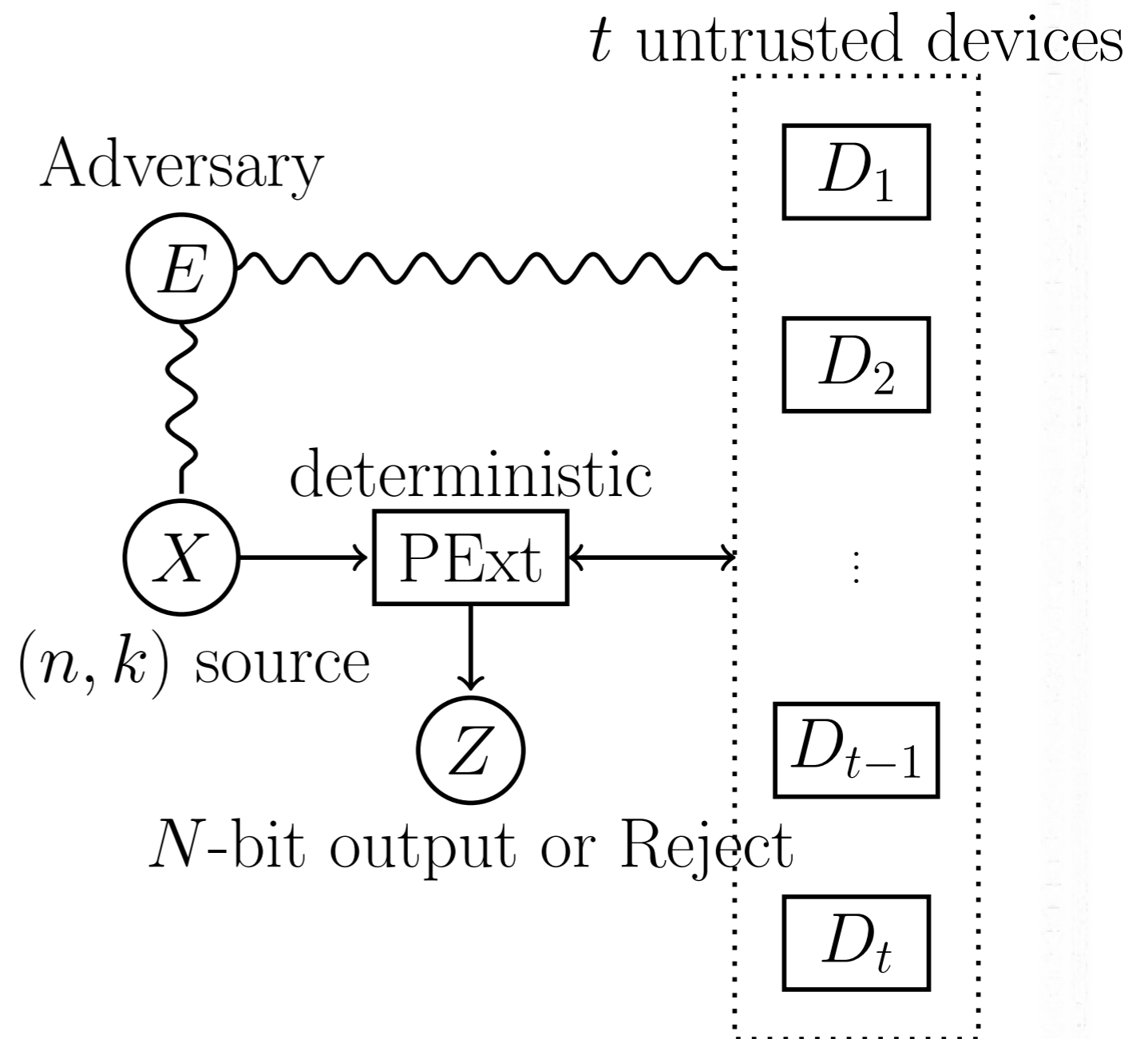
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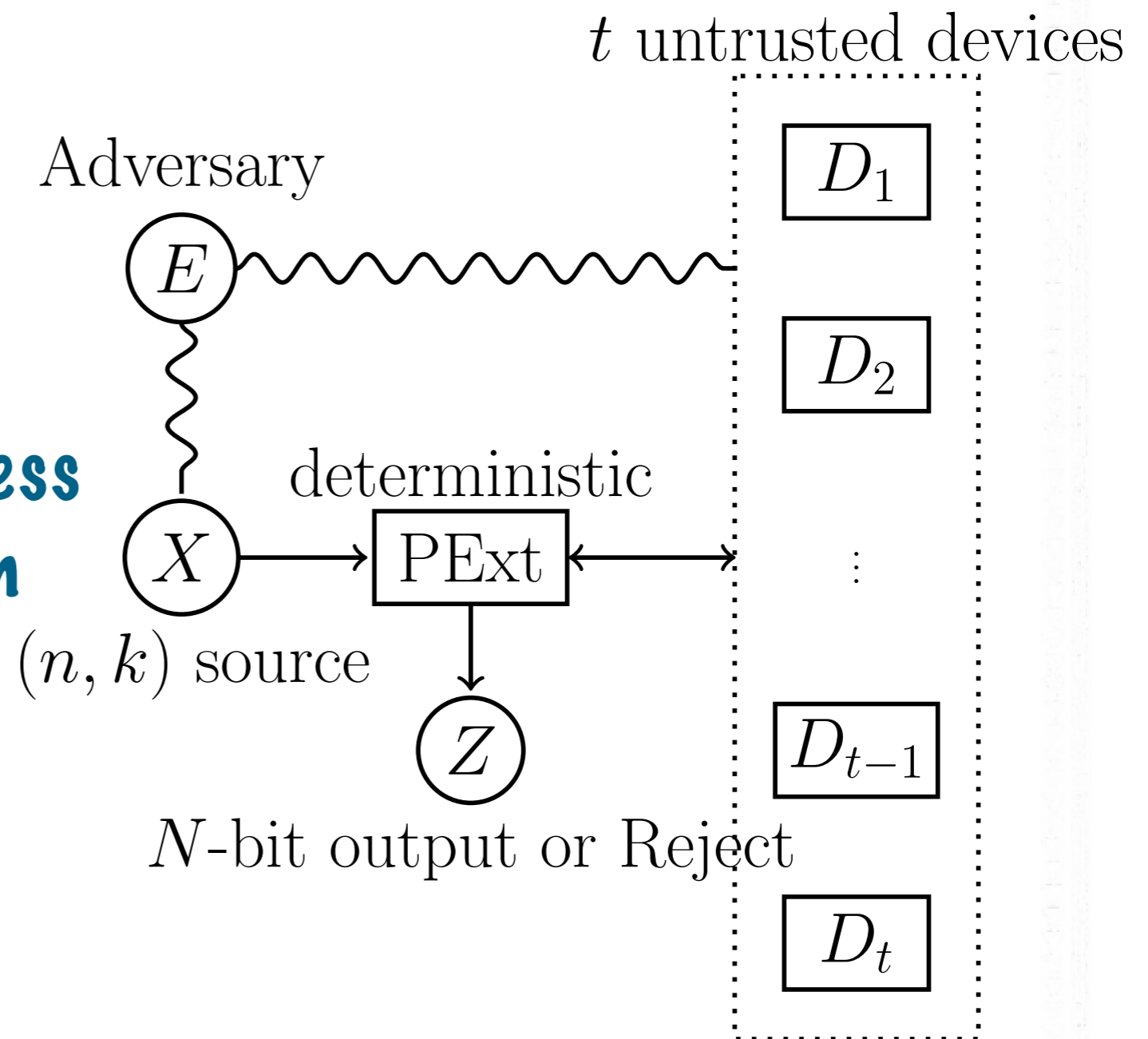
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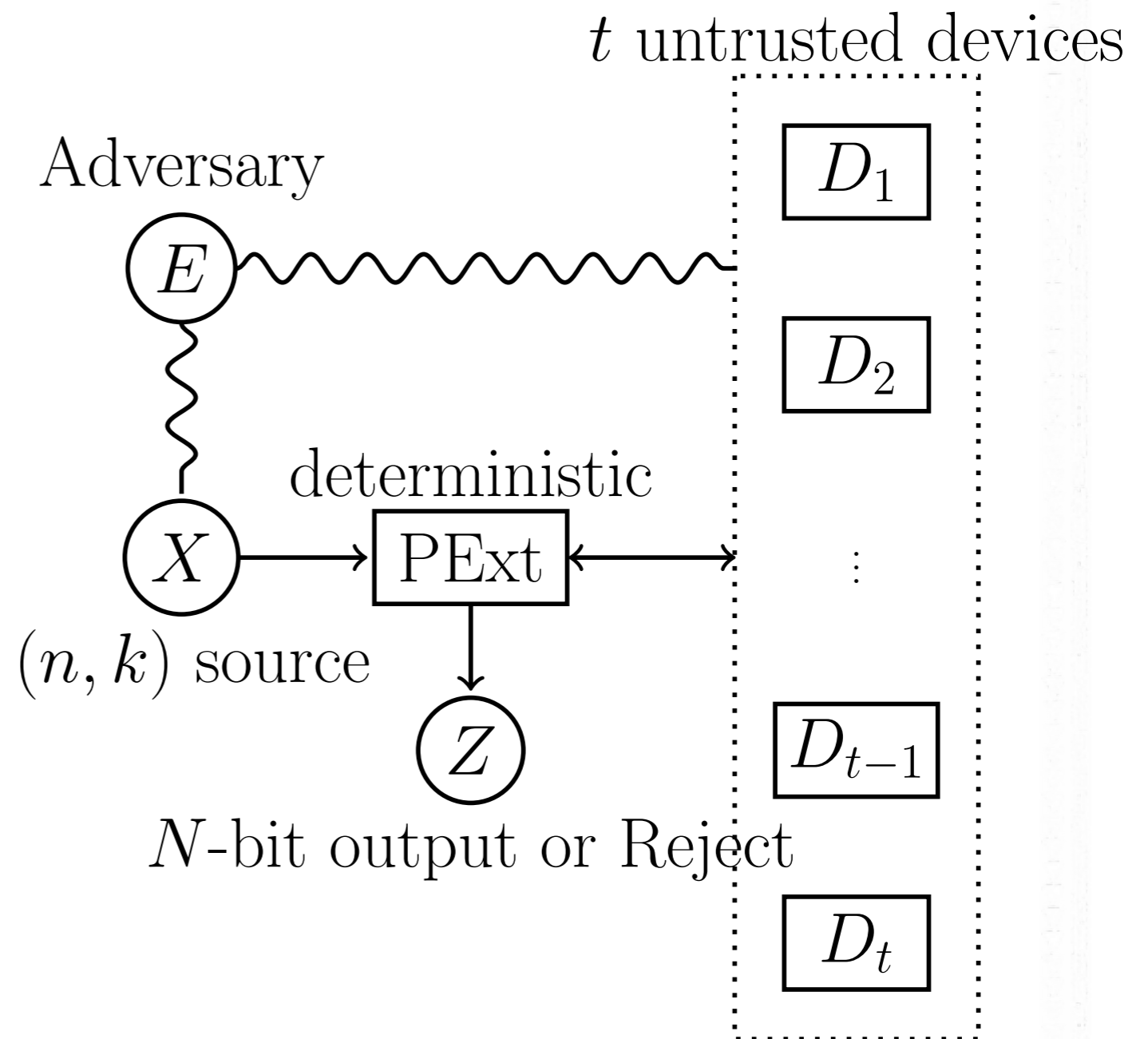
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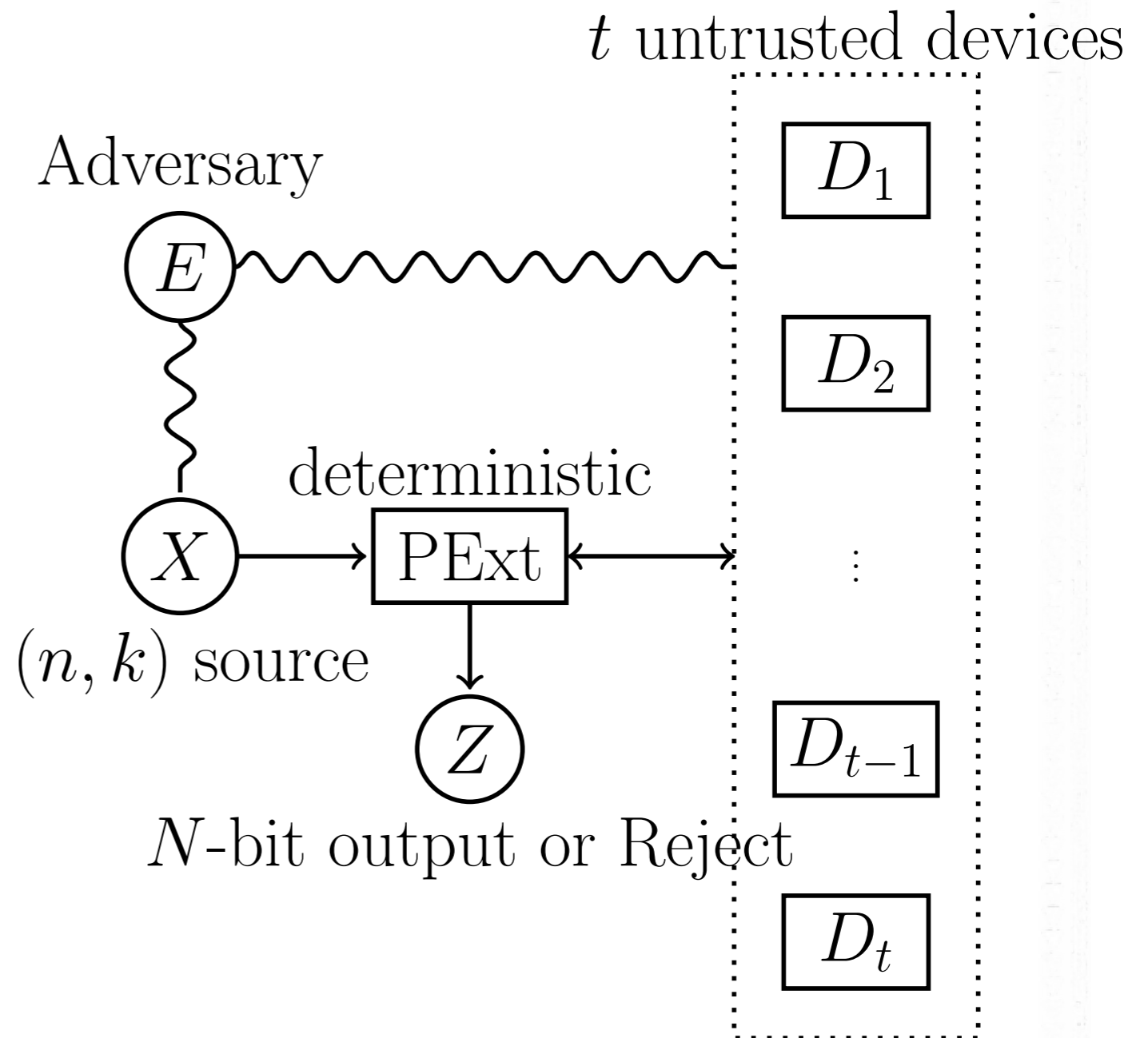
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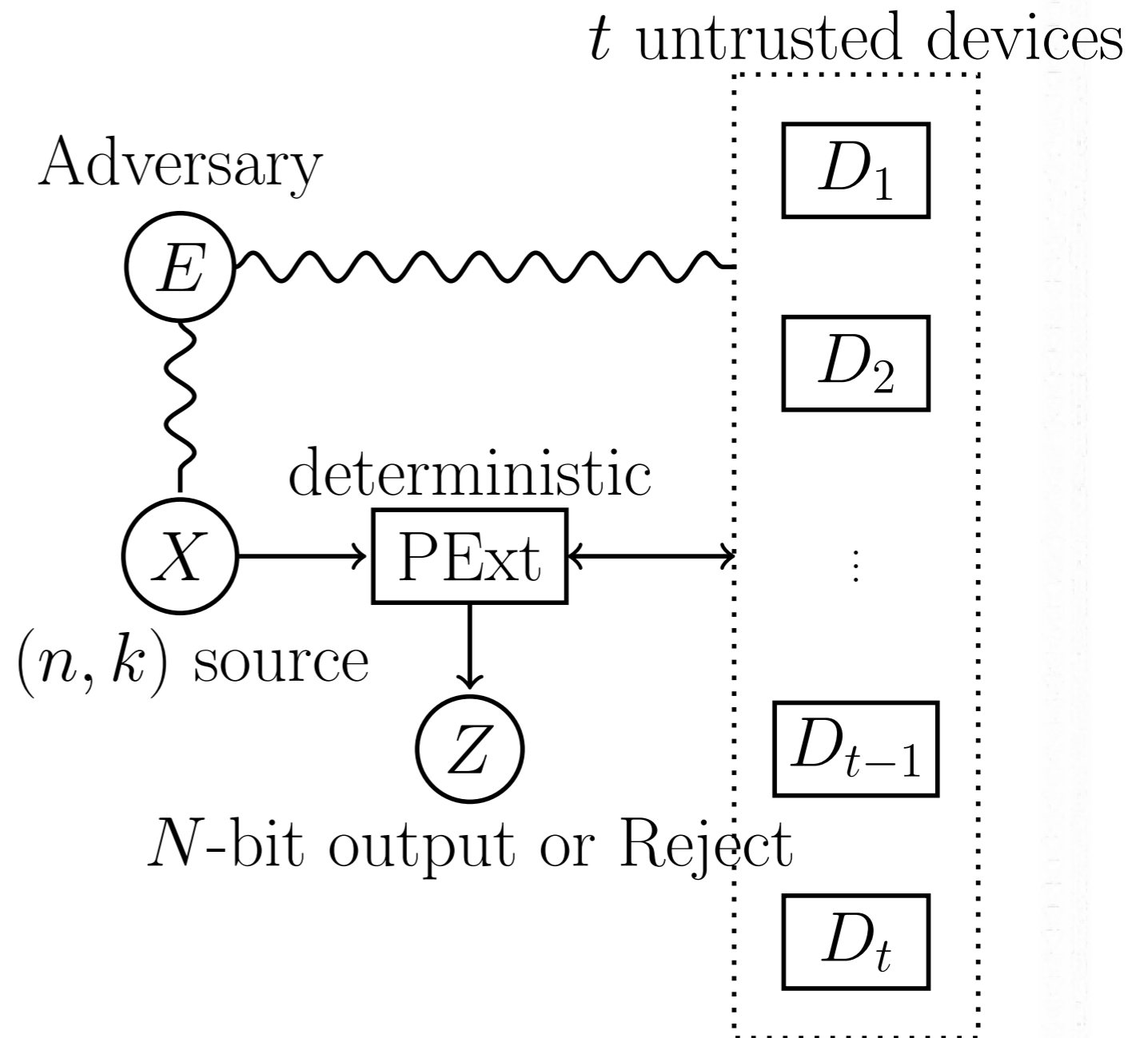
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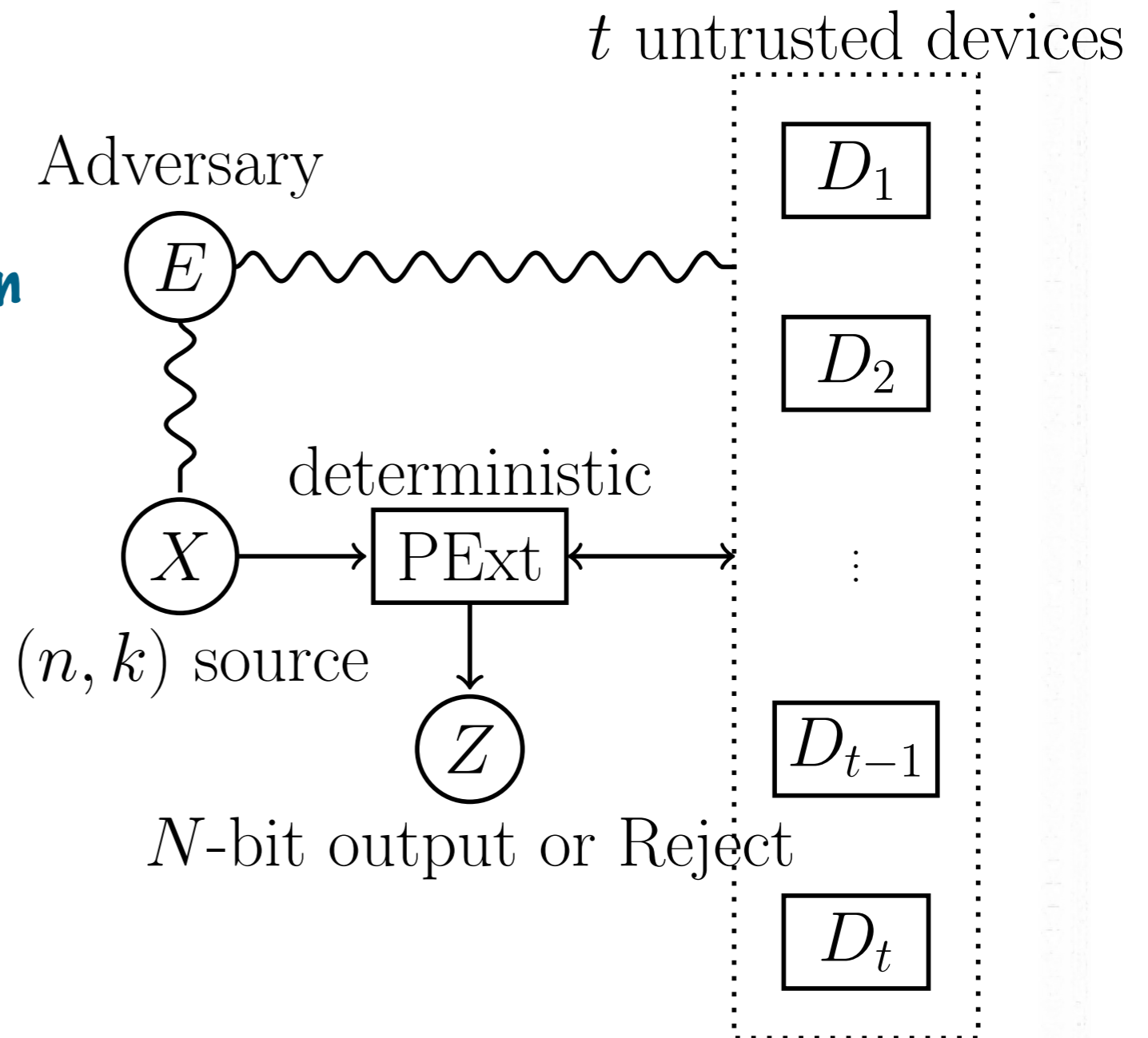
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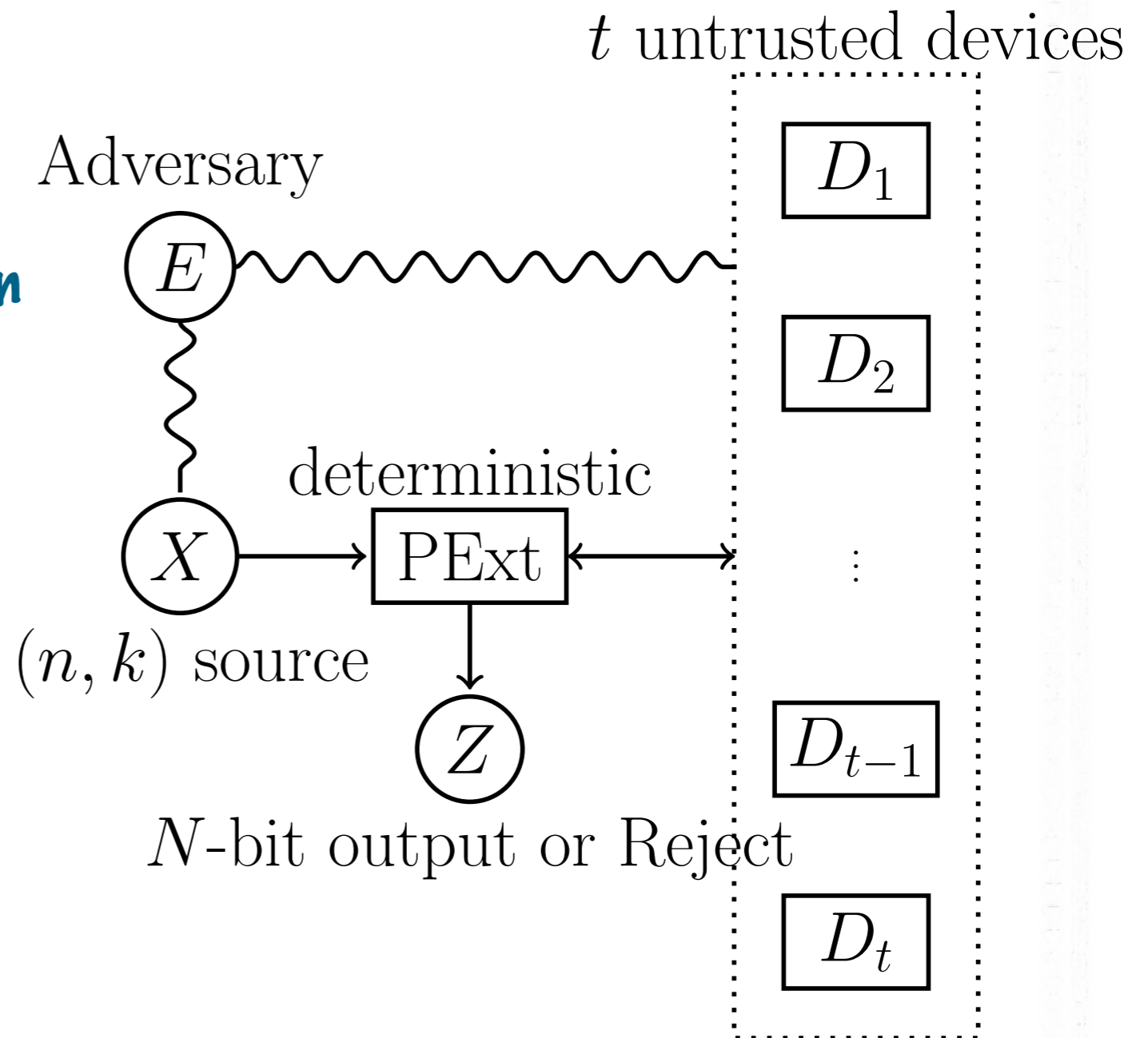
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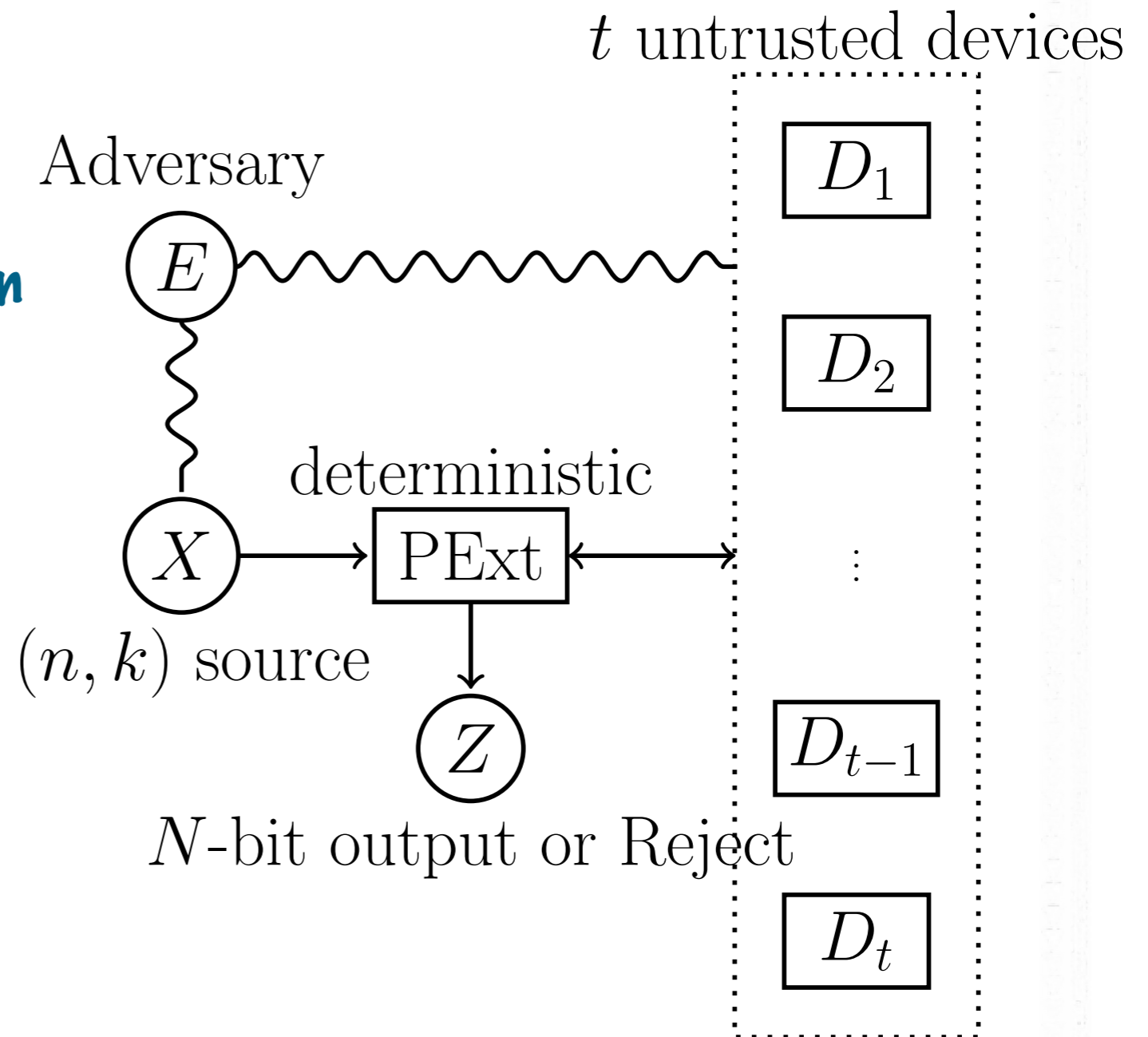
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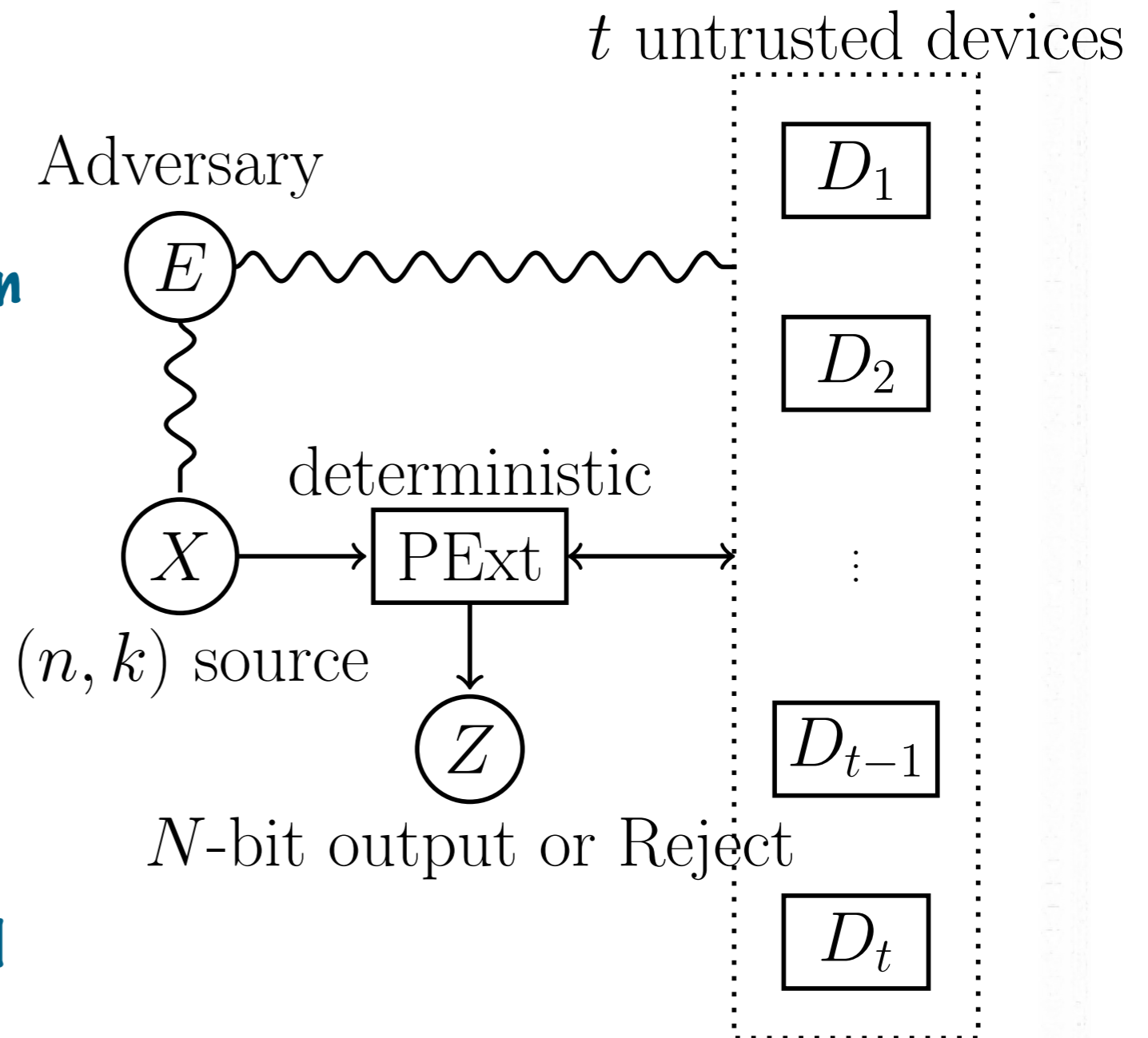
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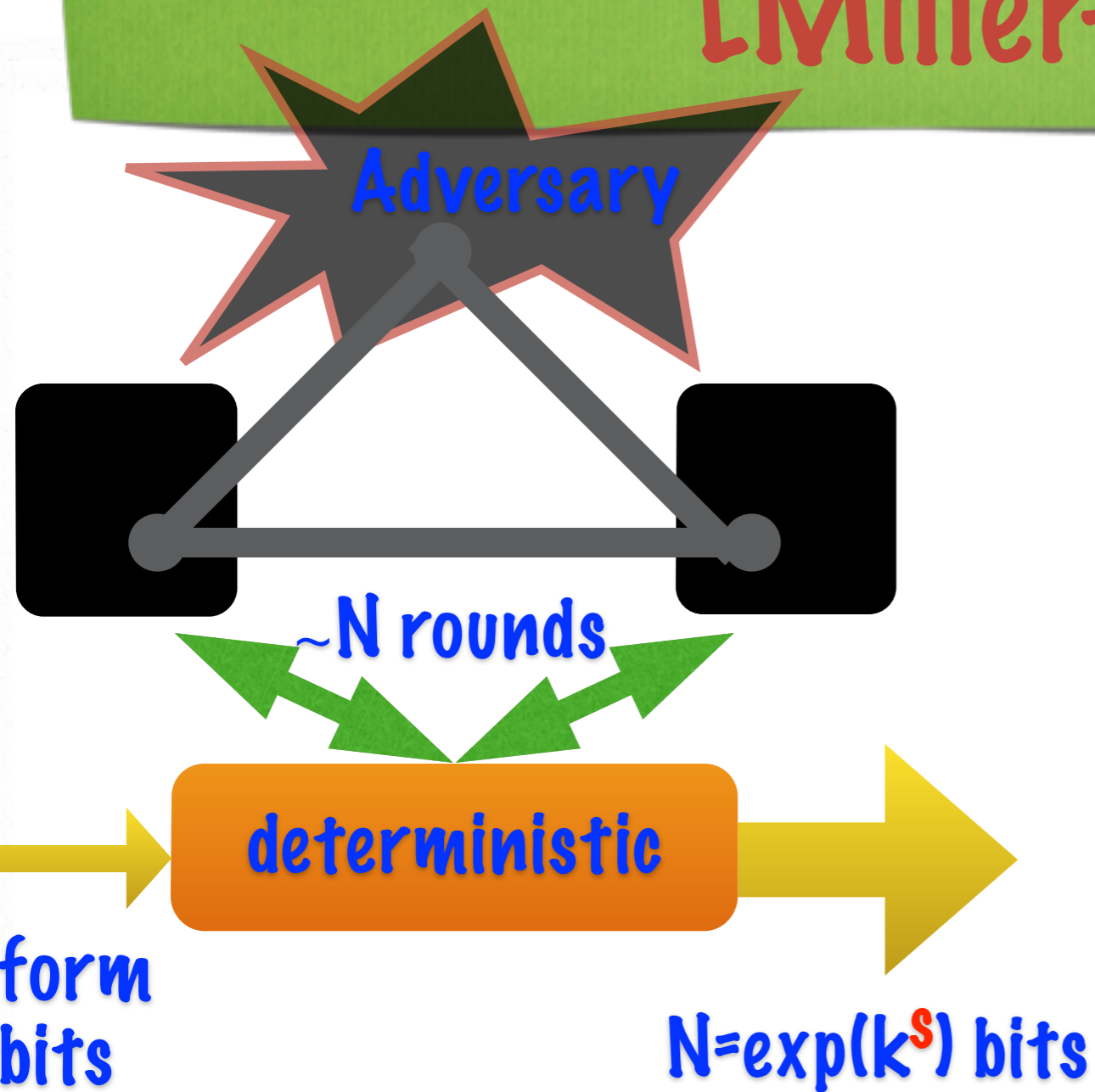


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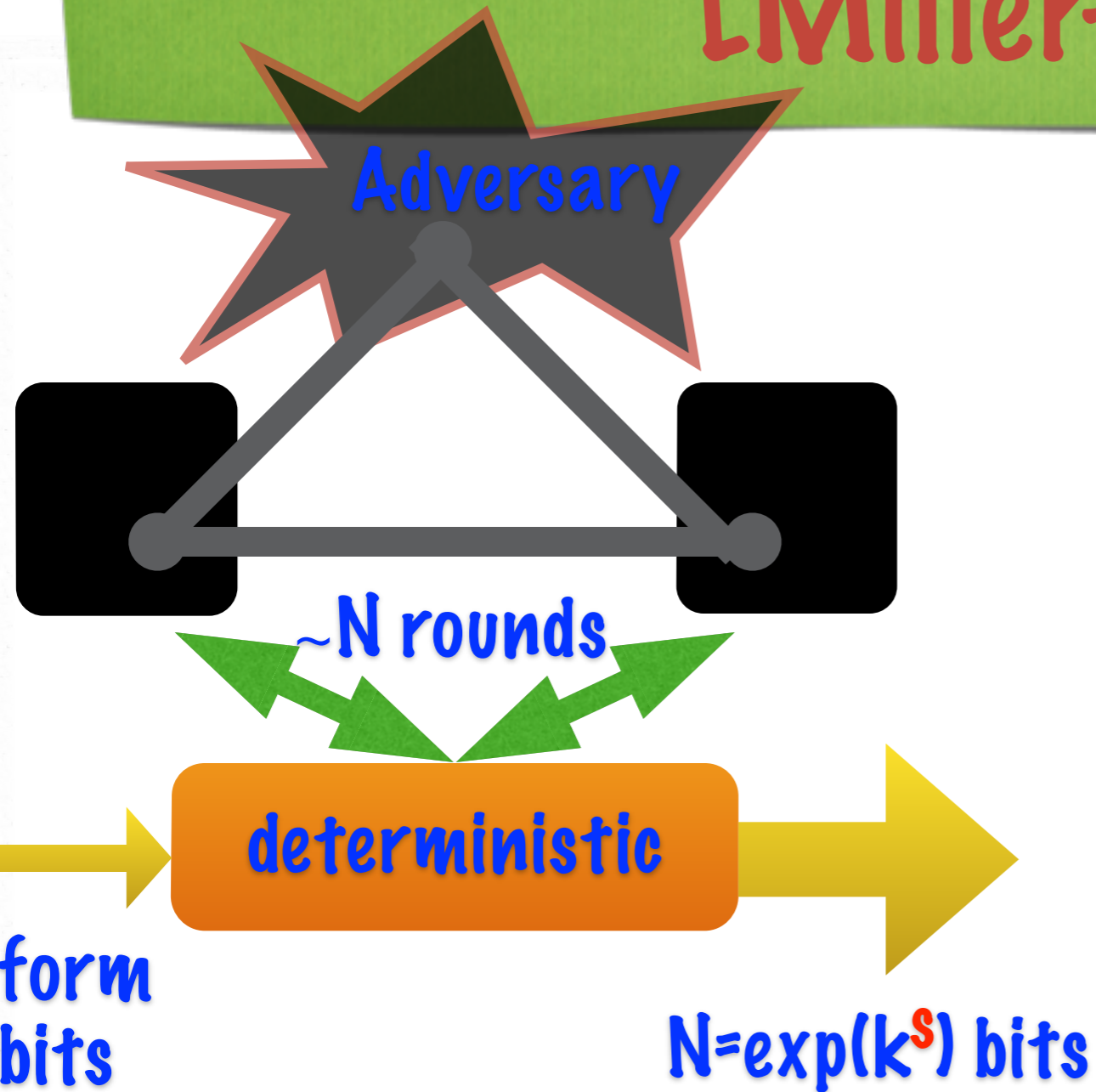
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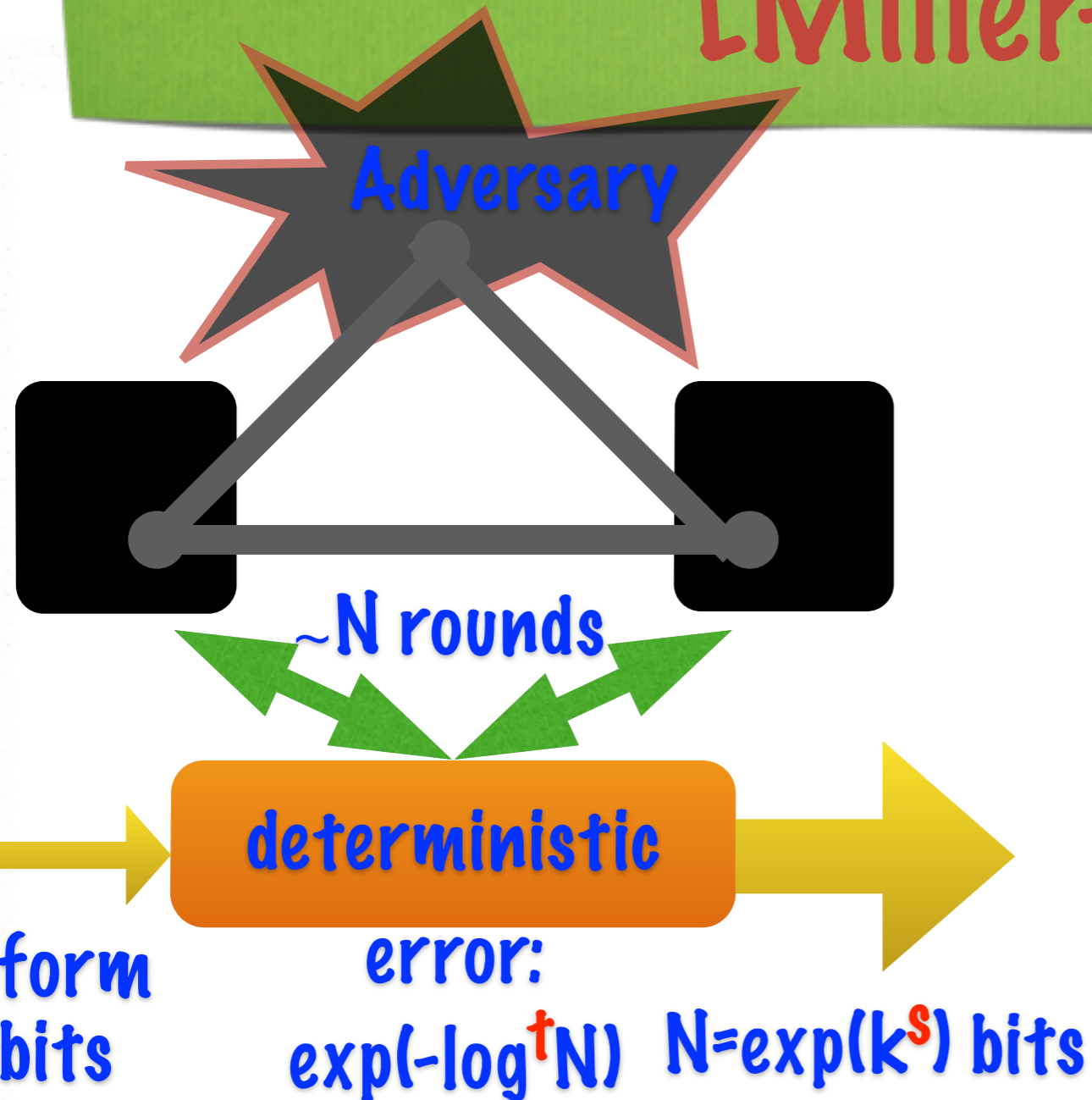
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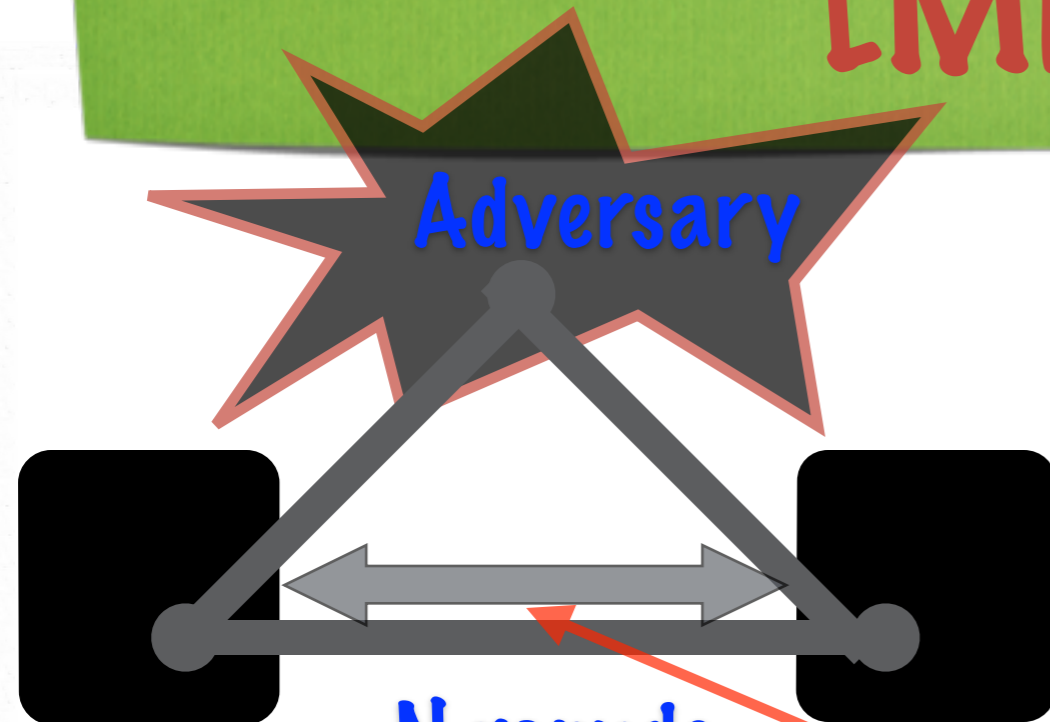
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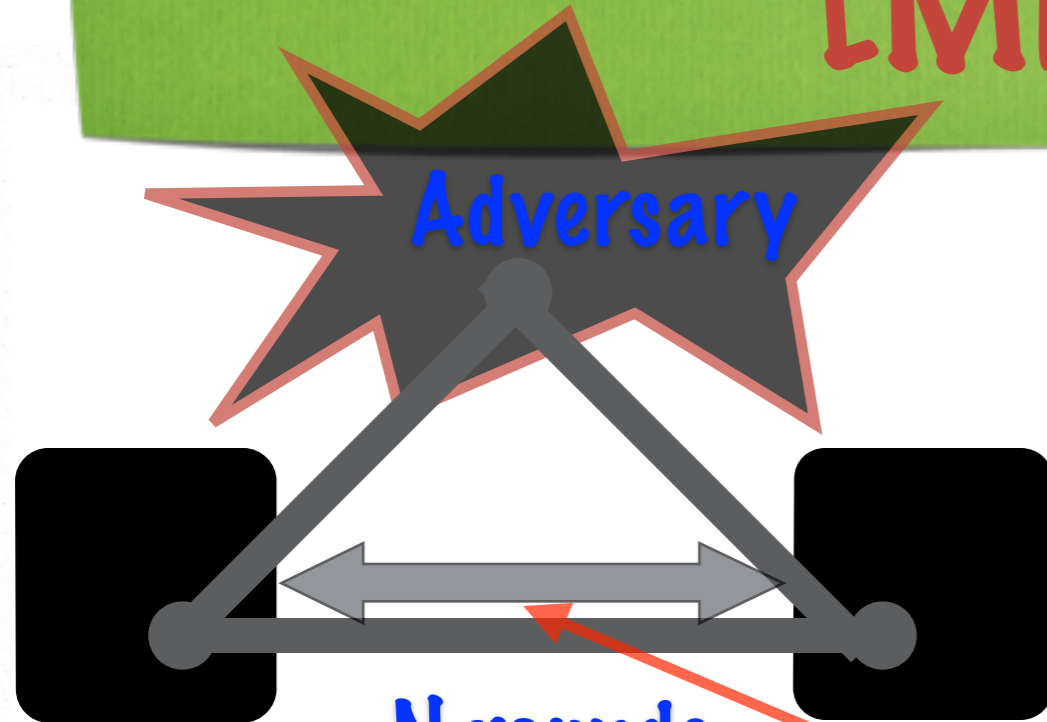
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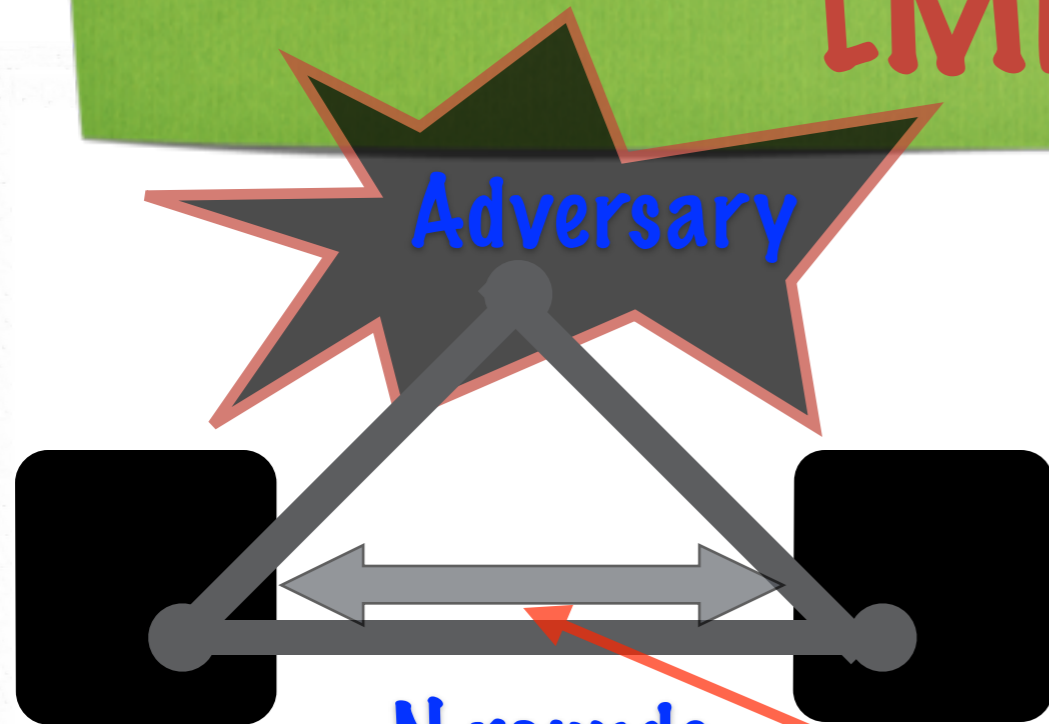
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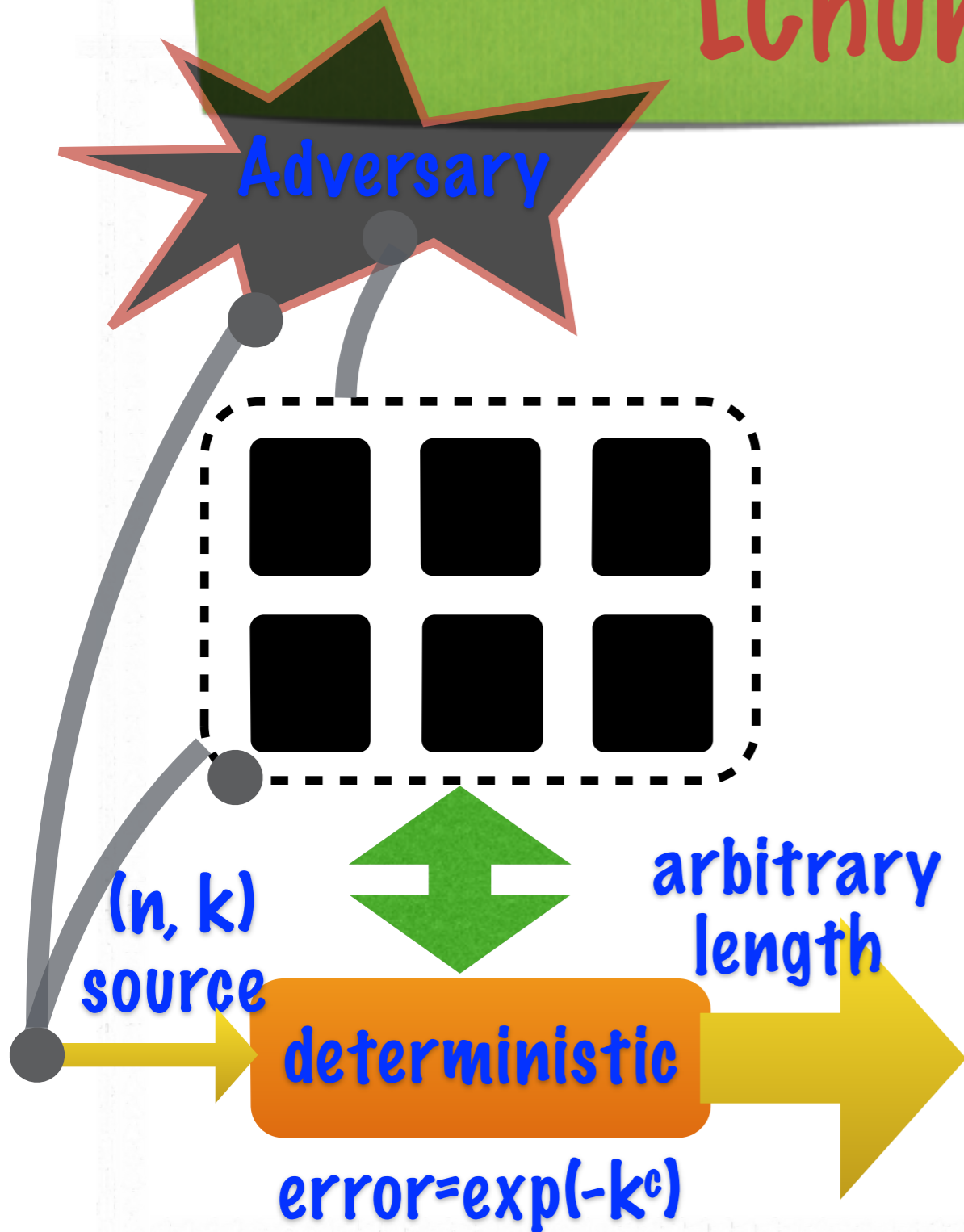
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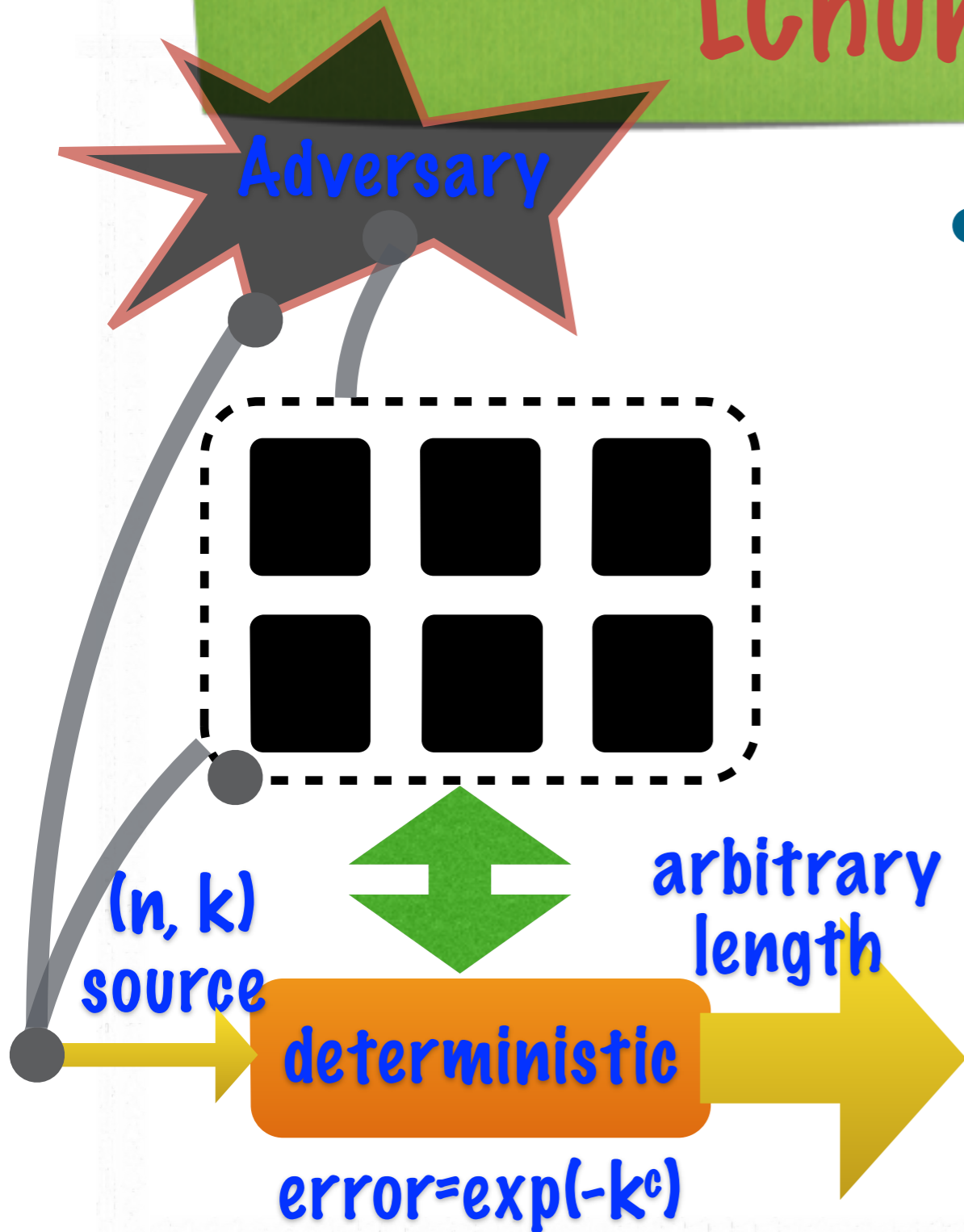


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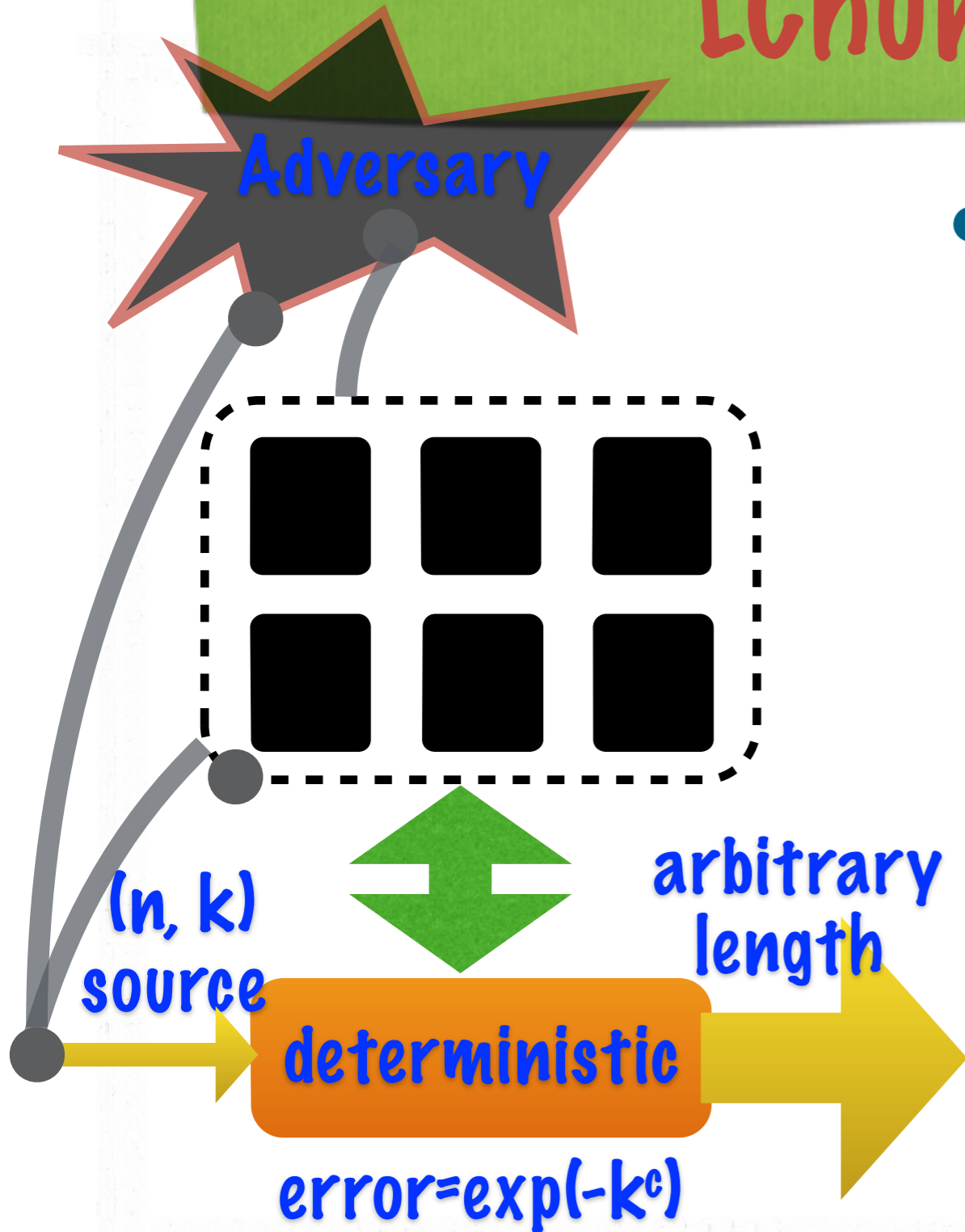


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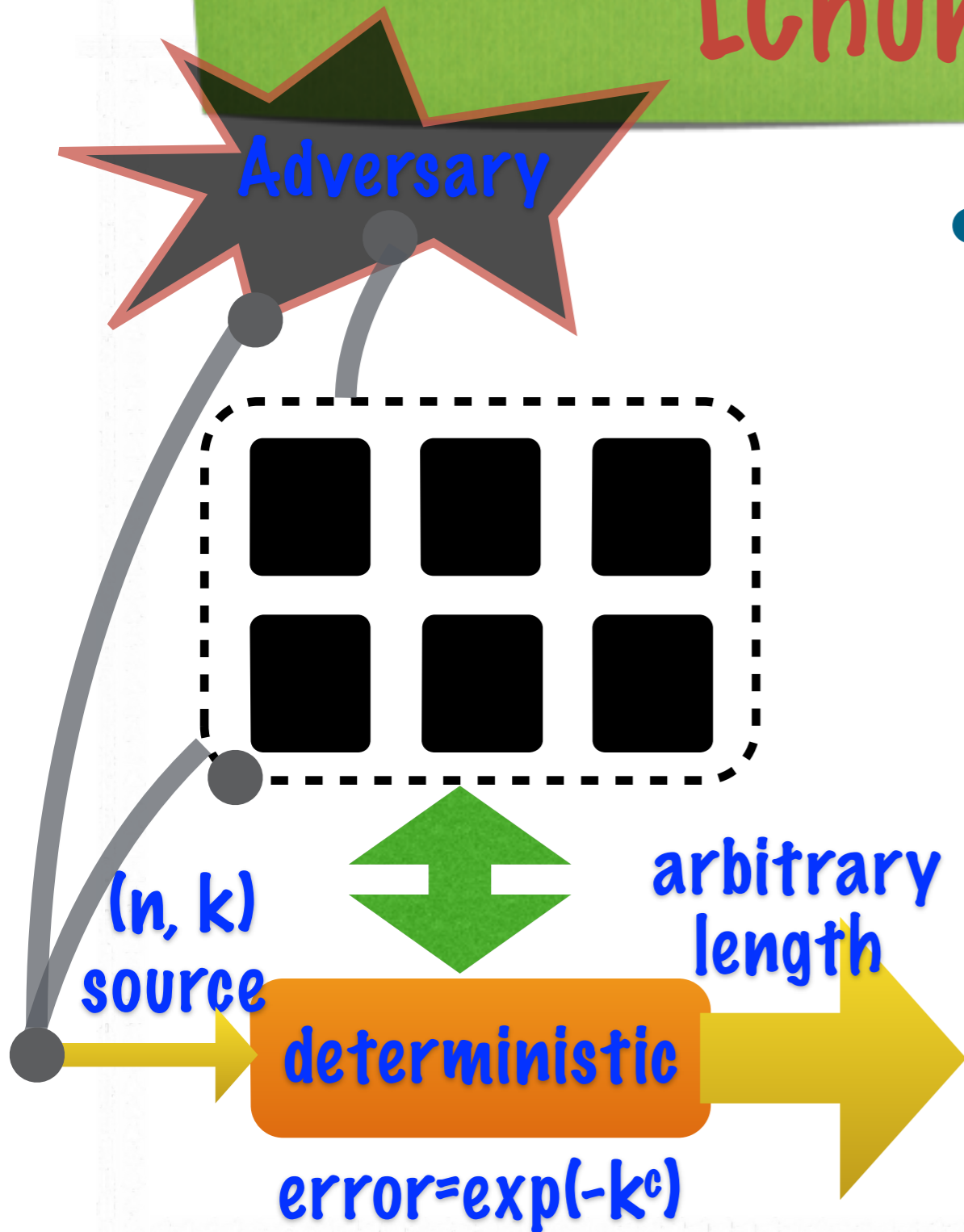
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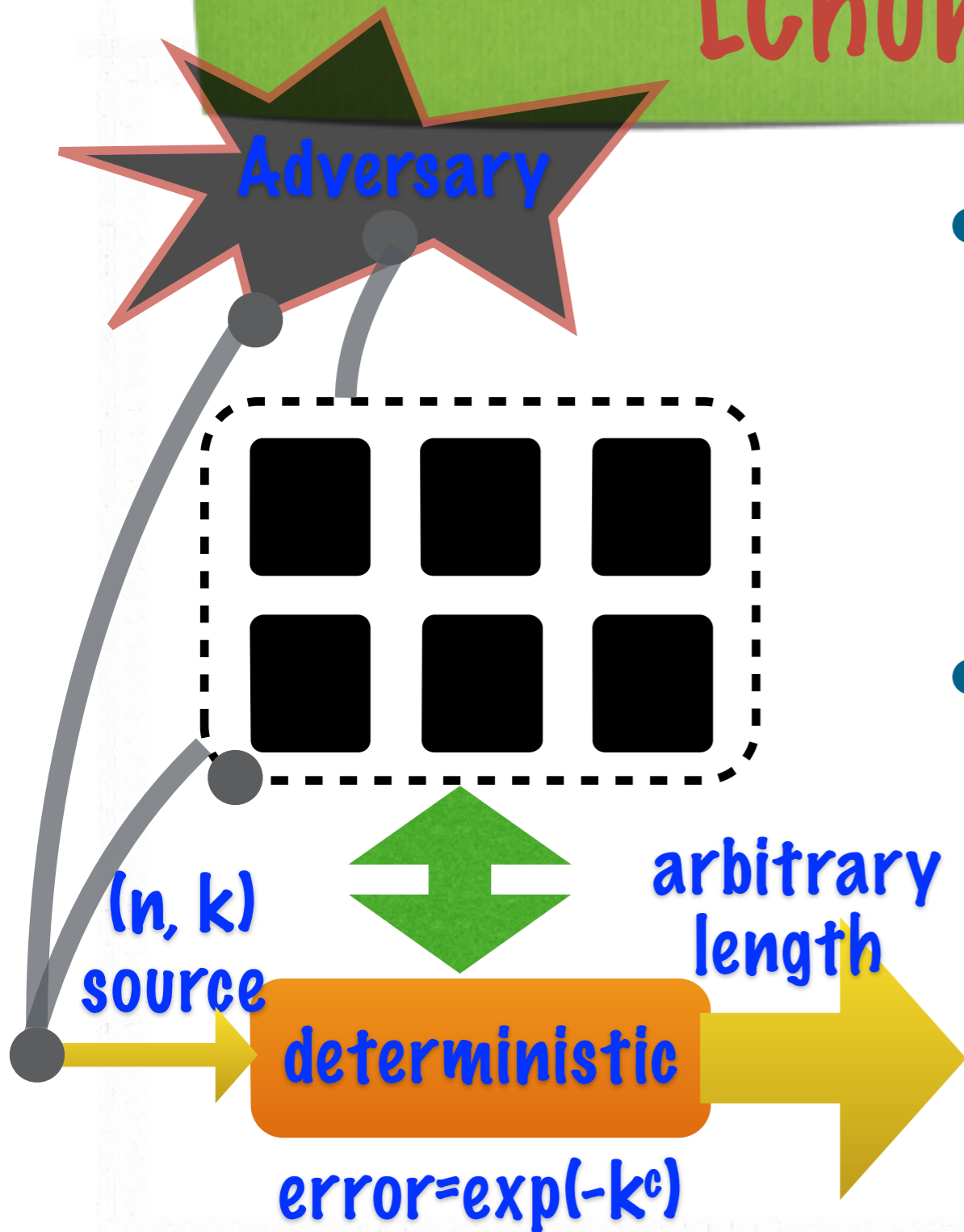
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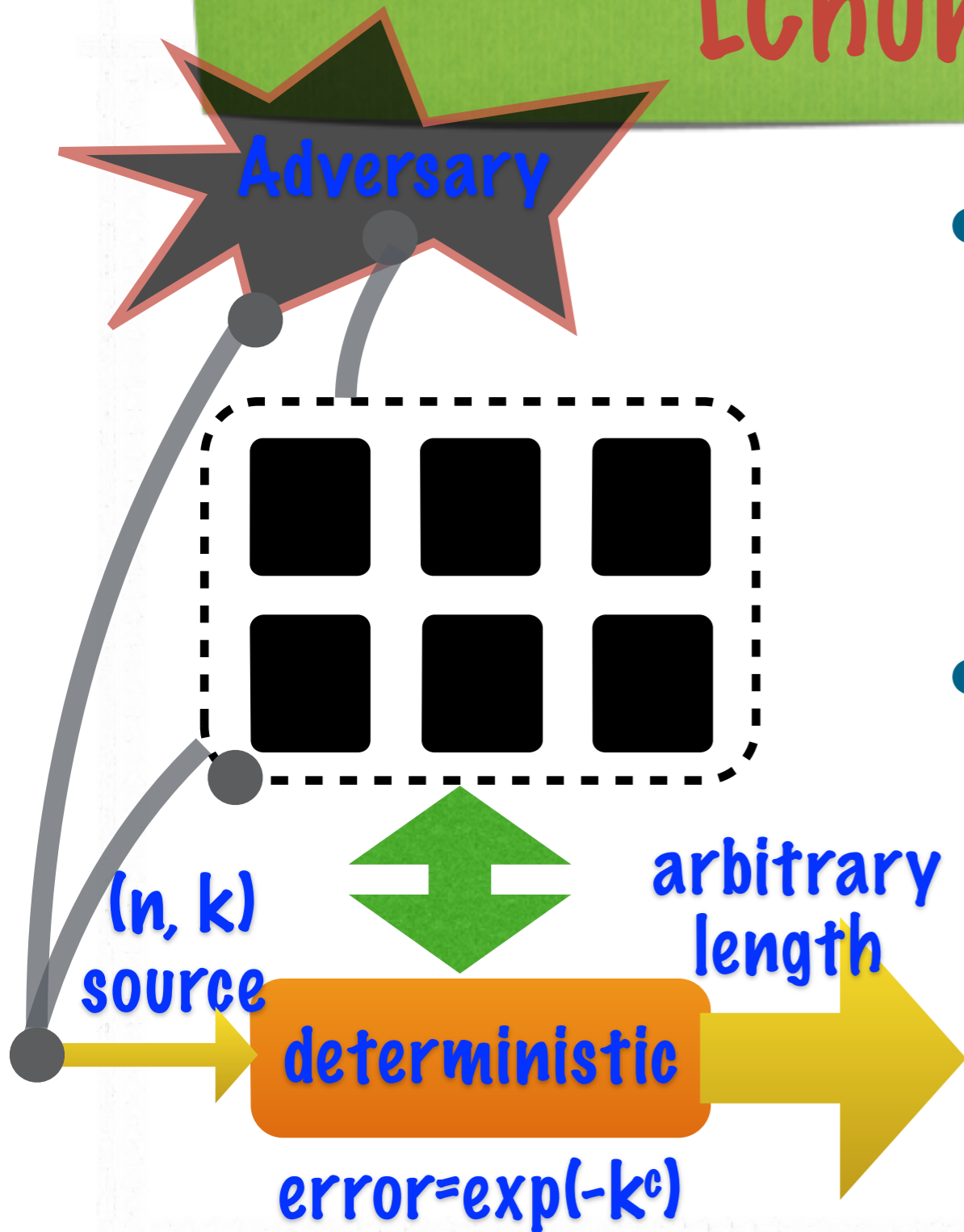
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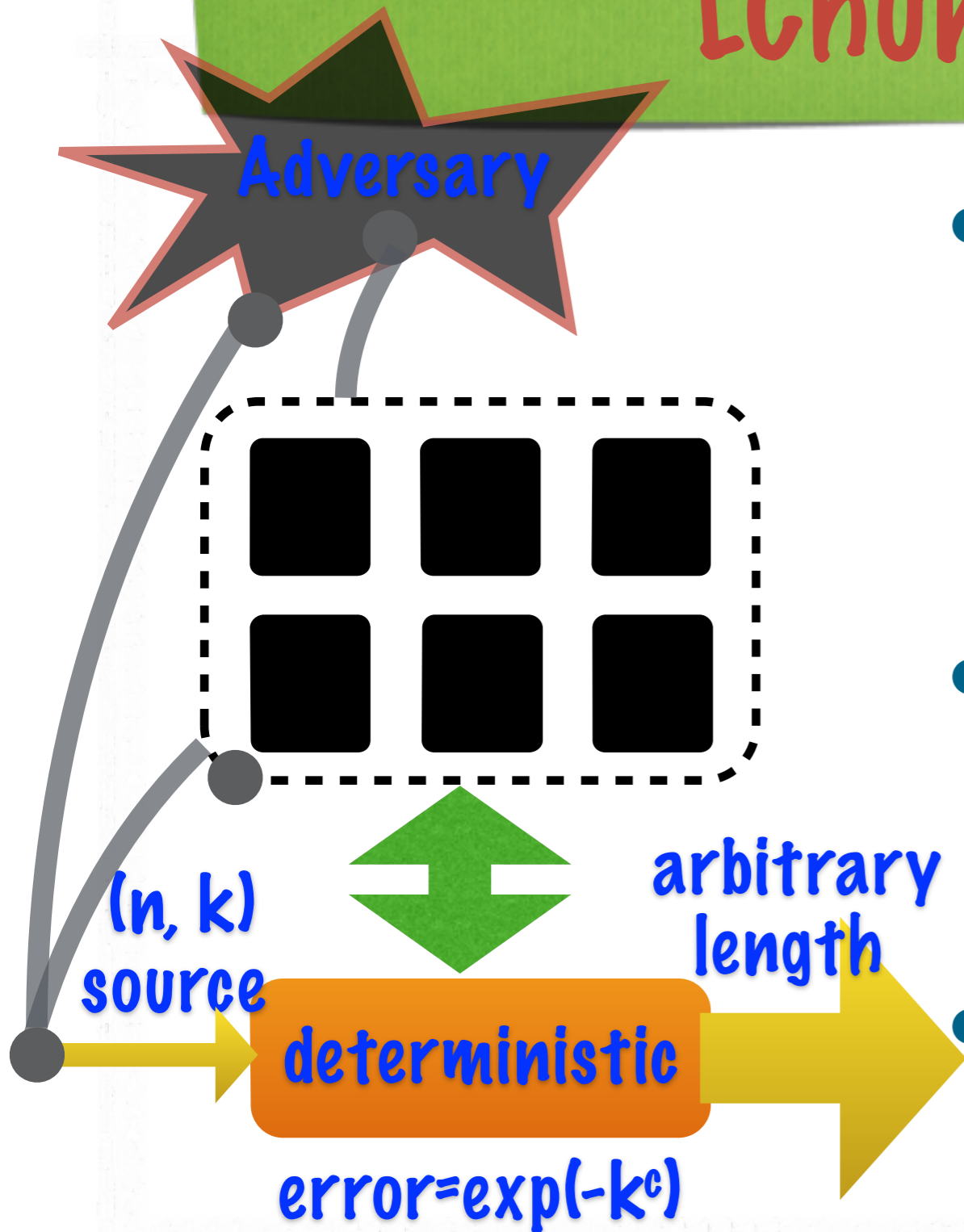
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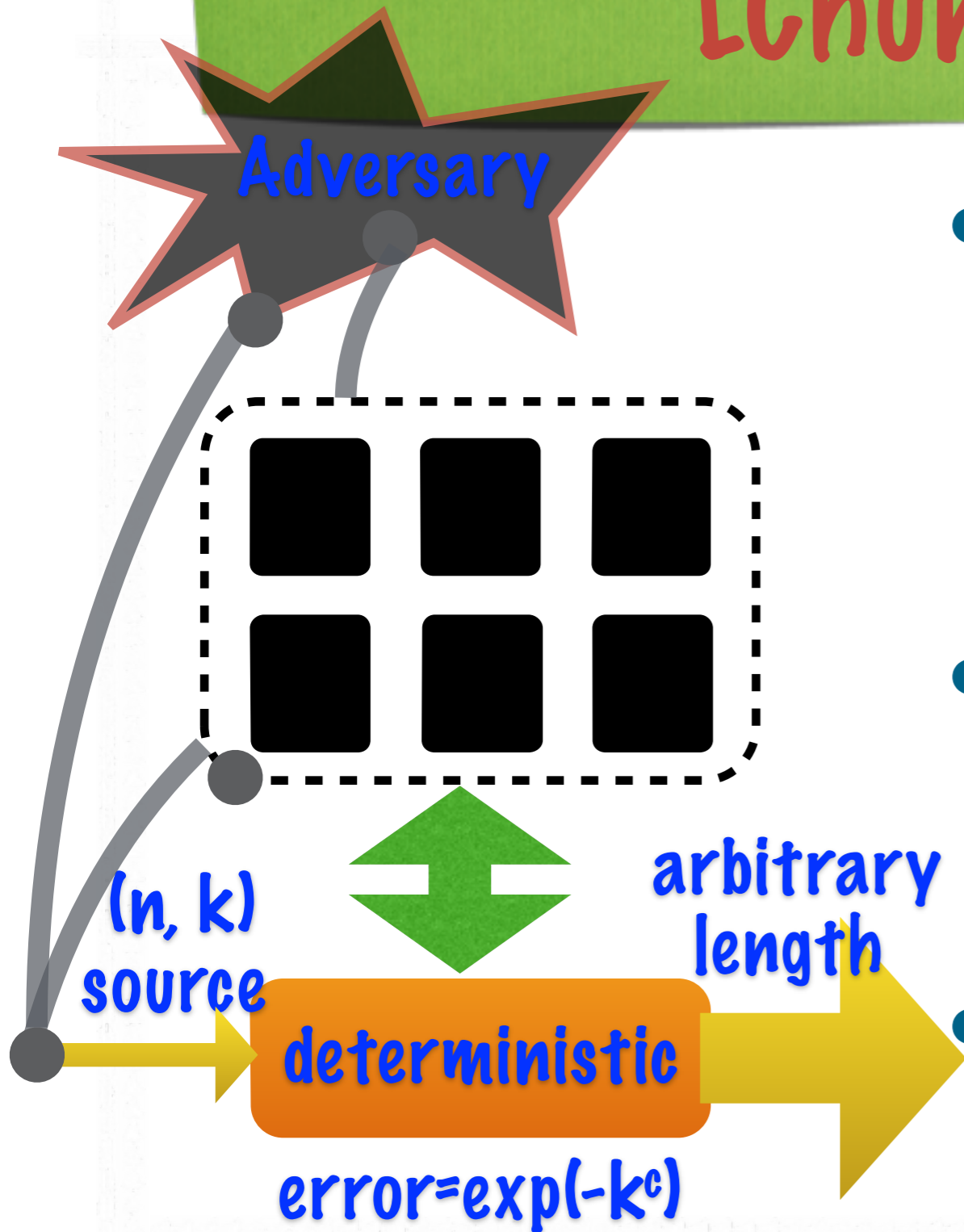
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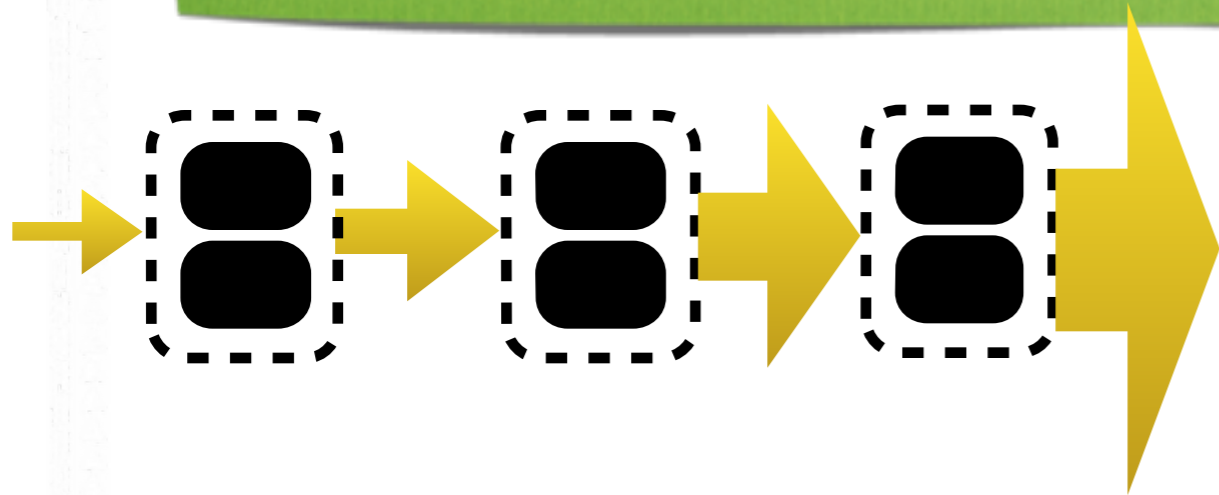
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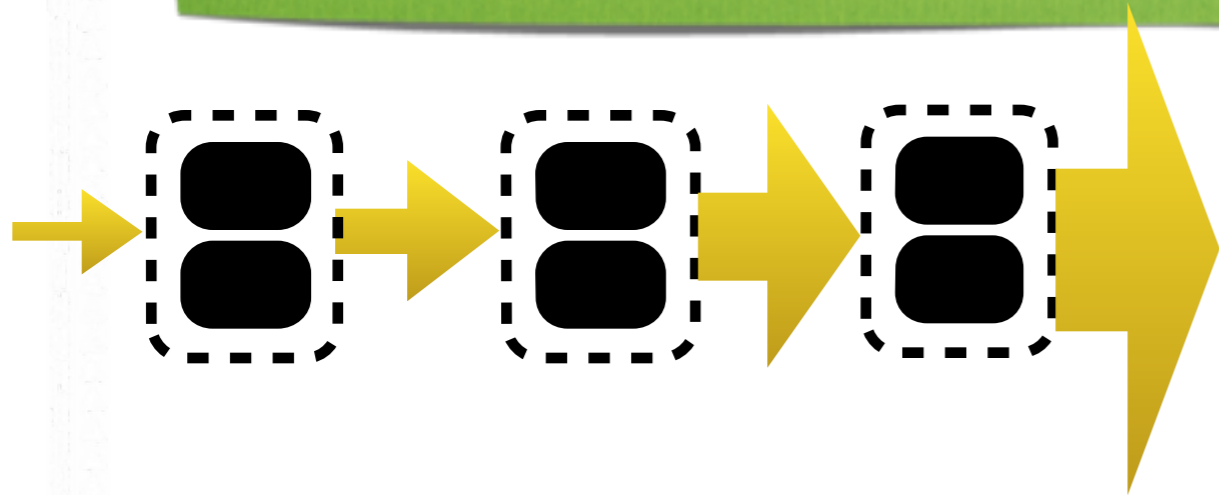
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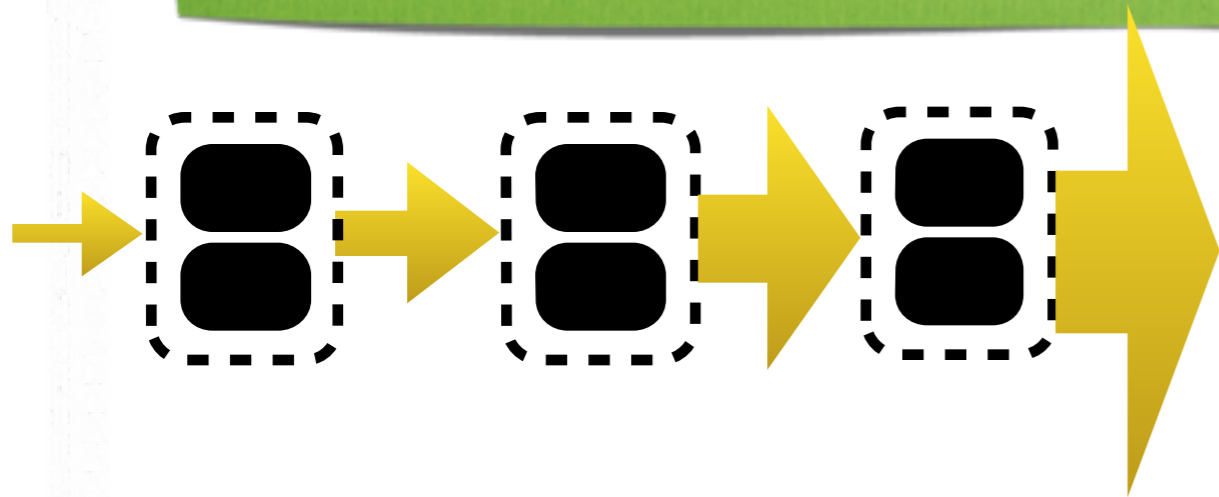


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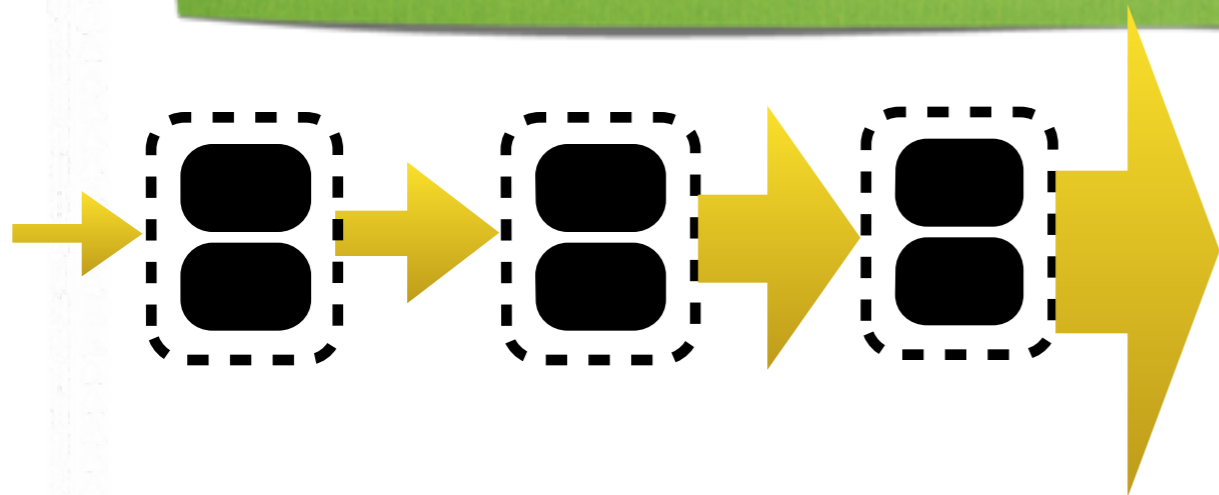
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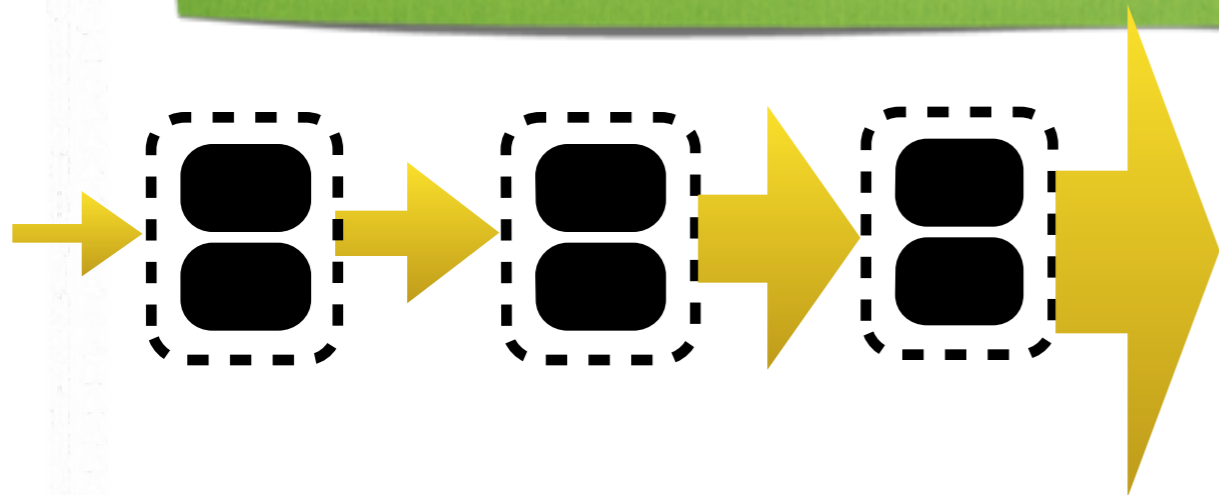
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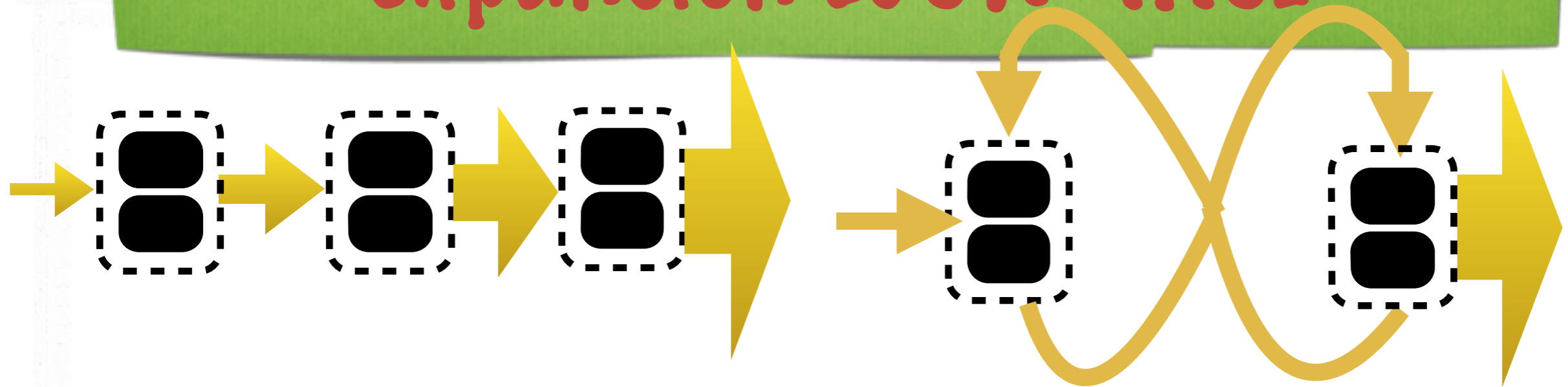
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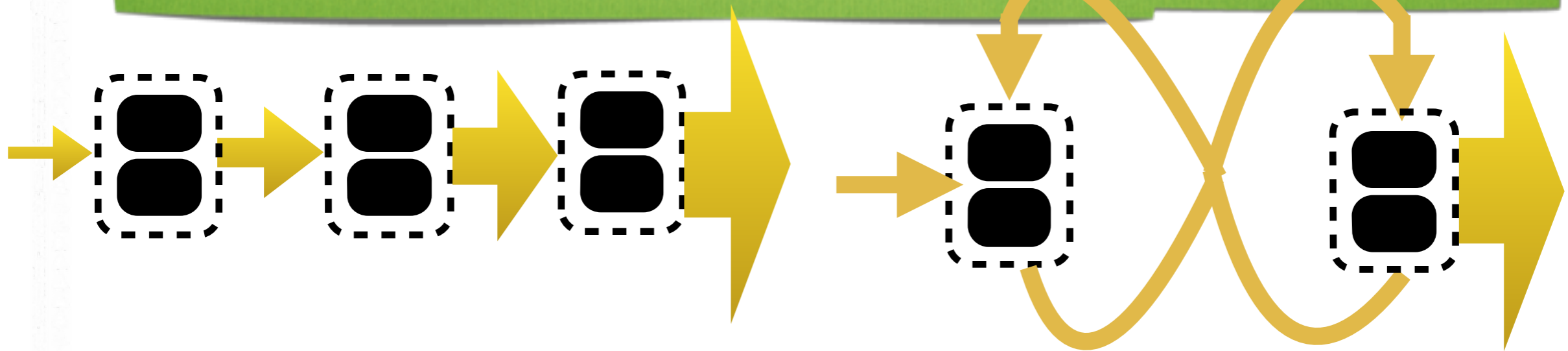
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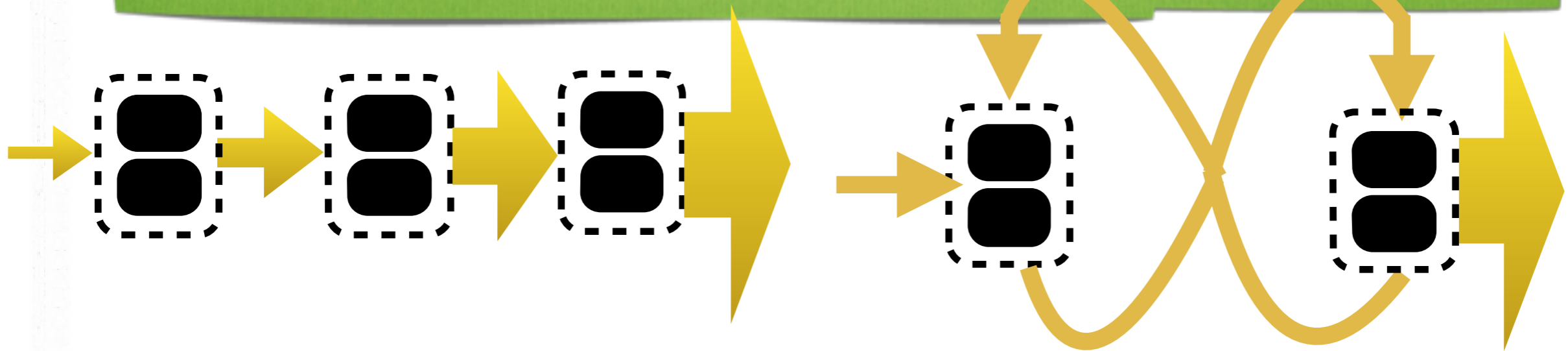
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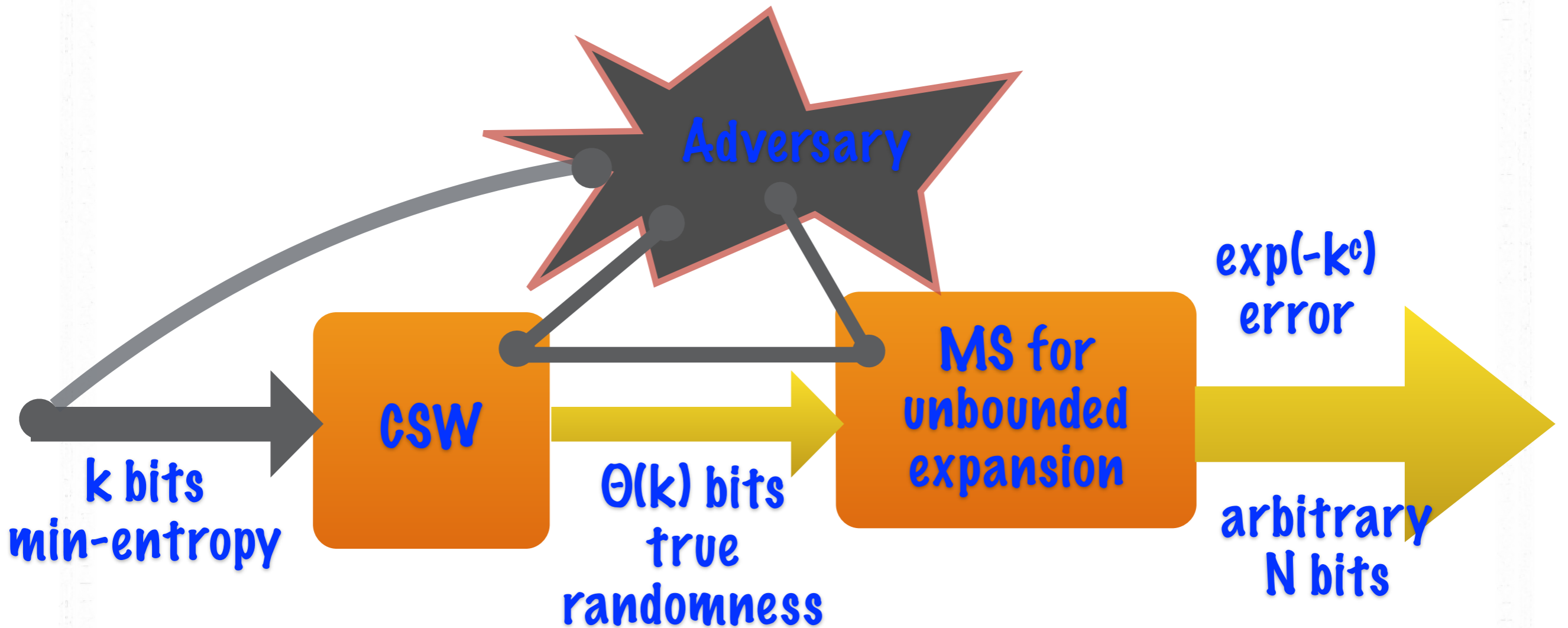


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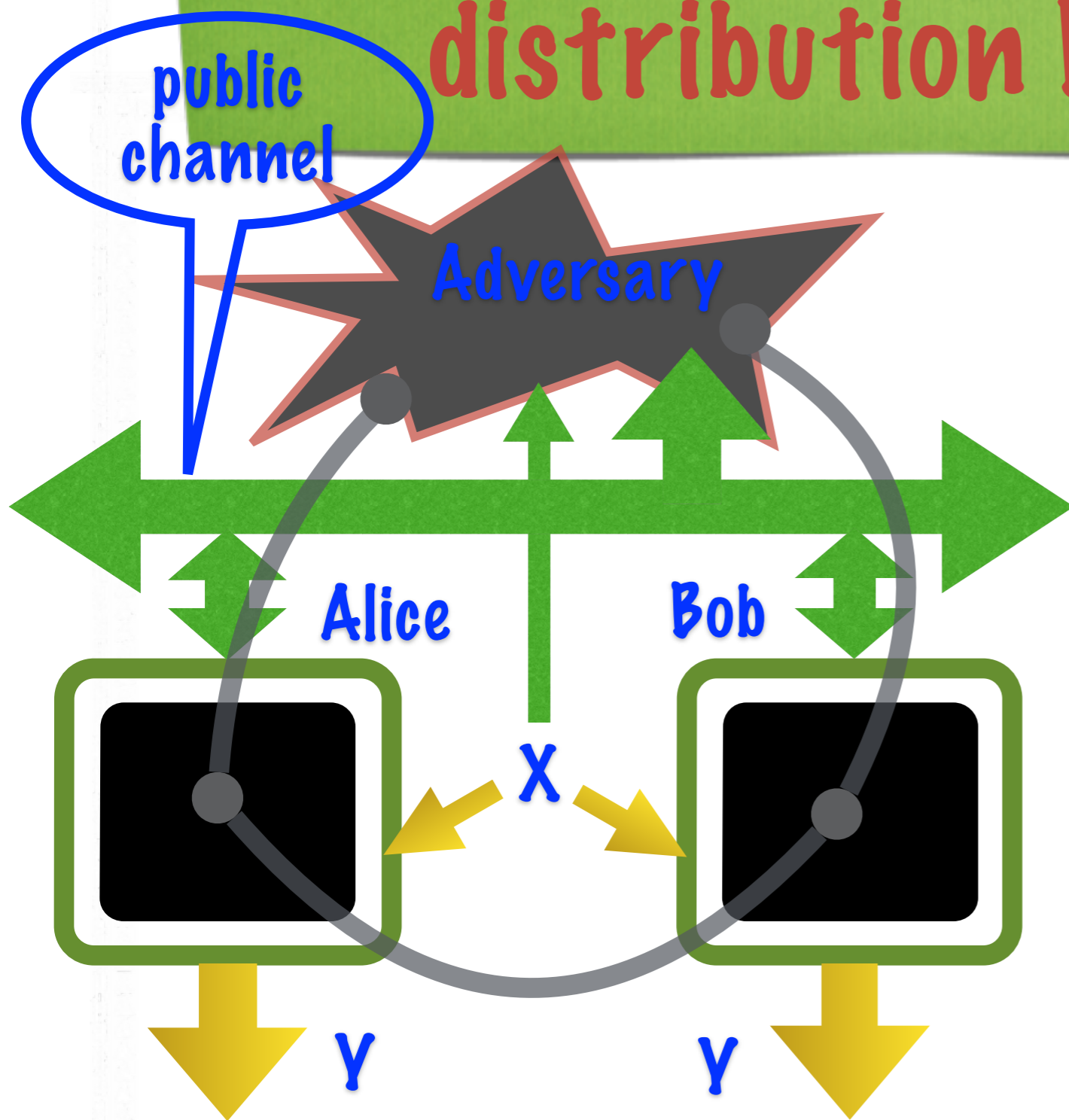


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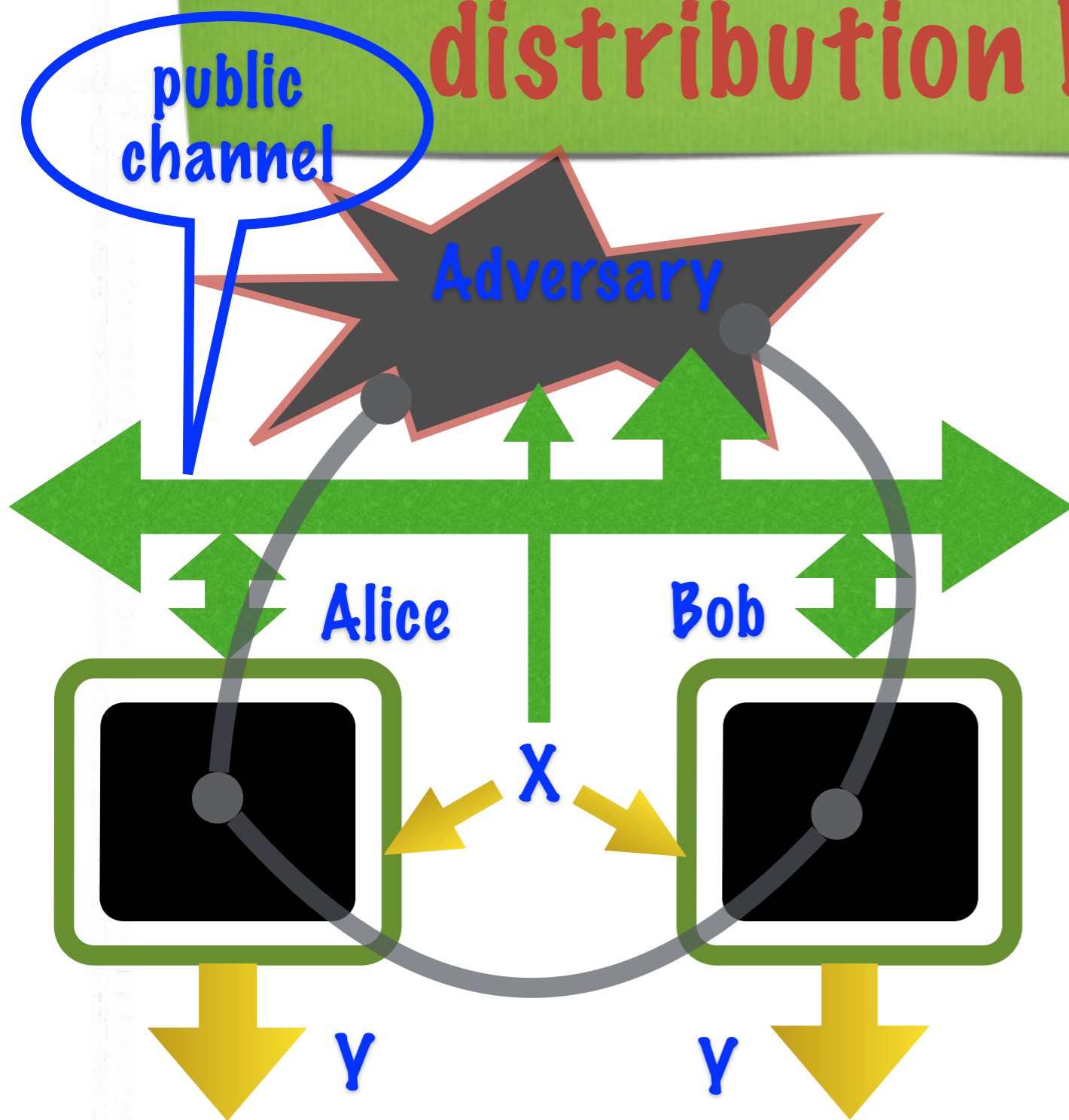
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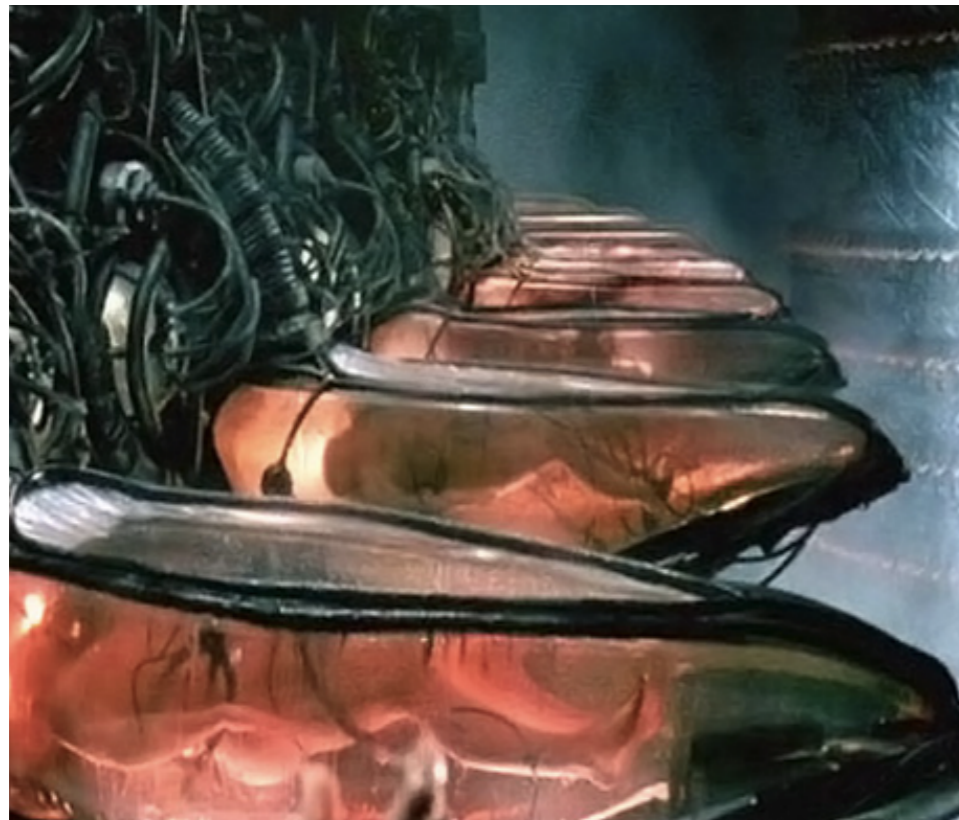
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[Colbeck-Renner'12, Gallego+'13, CSW'14]



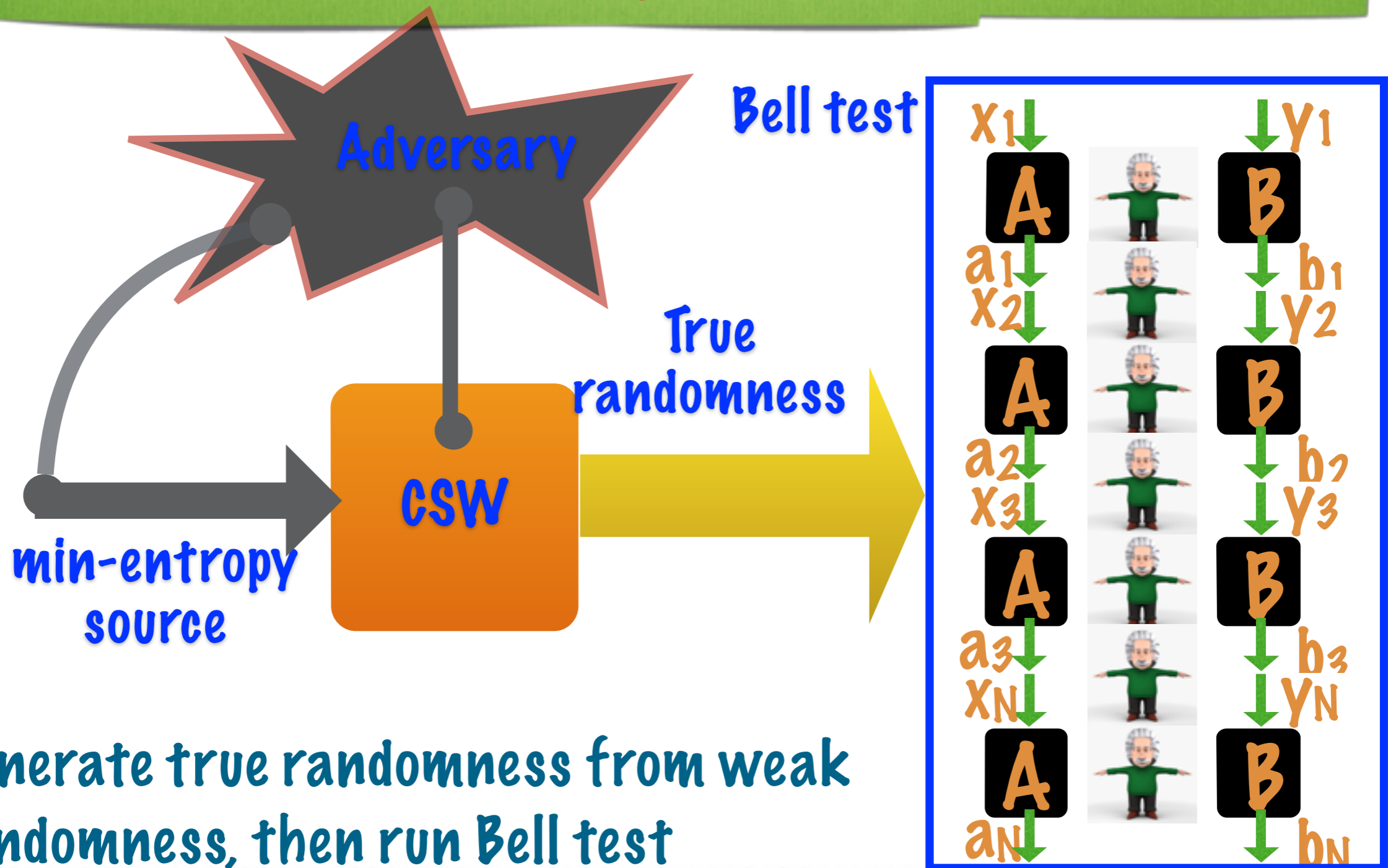
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True randomness in Nature either does not exist or exist in almost perfect quality and unbounded quantity

Untrusted-device protocols

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Model and Results::physical interpretation

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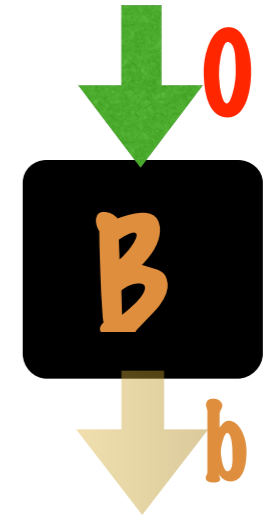
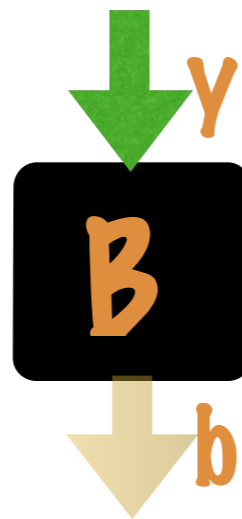


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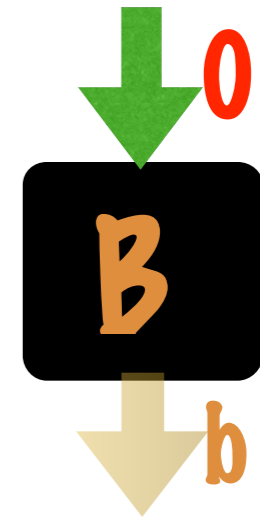
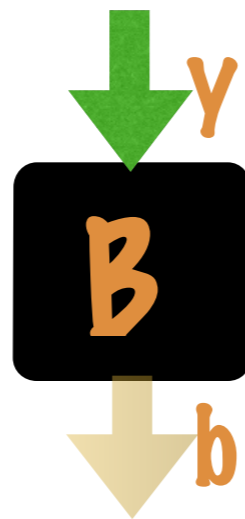
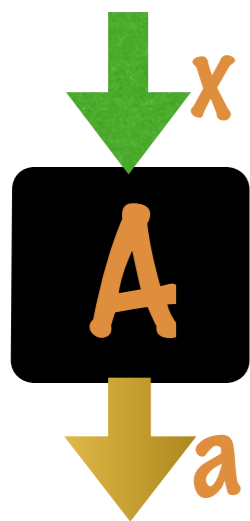


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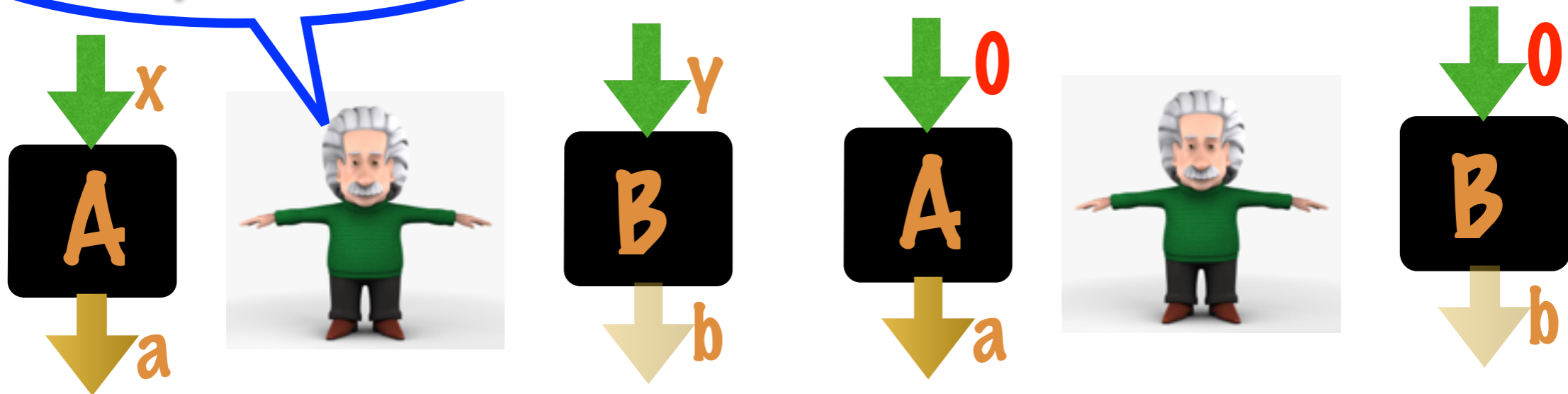
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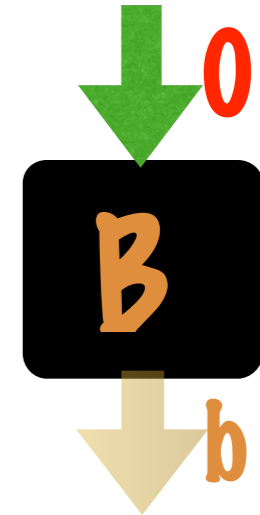
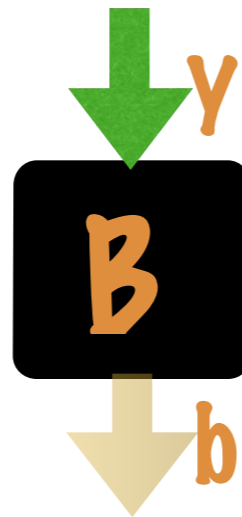
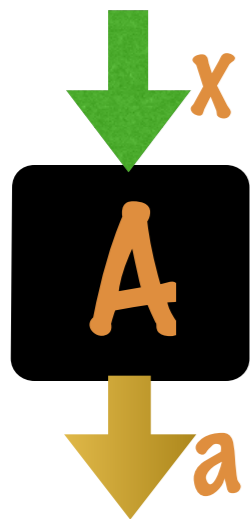
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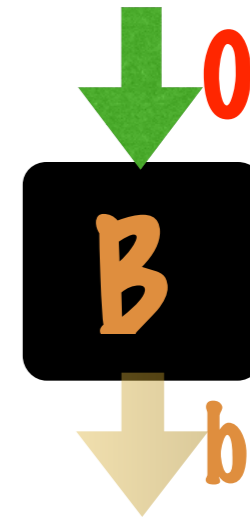
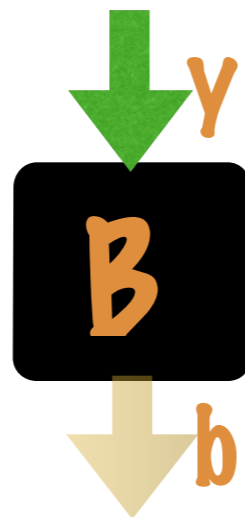
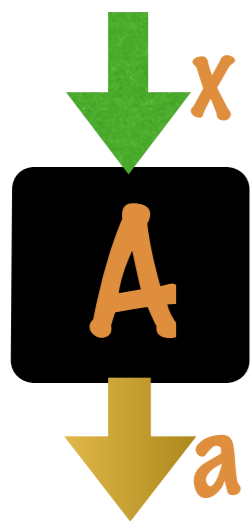
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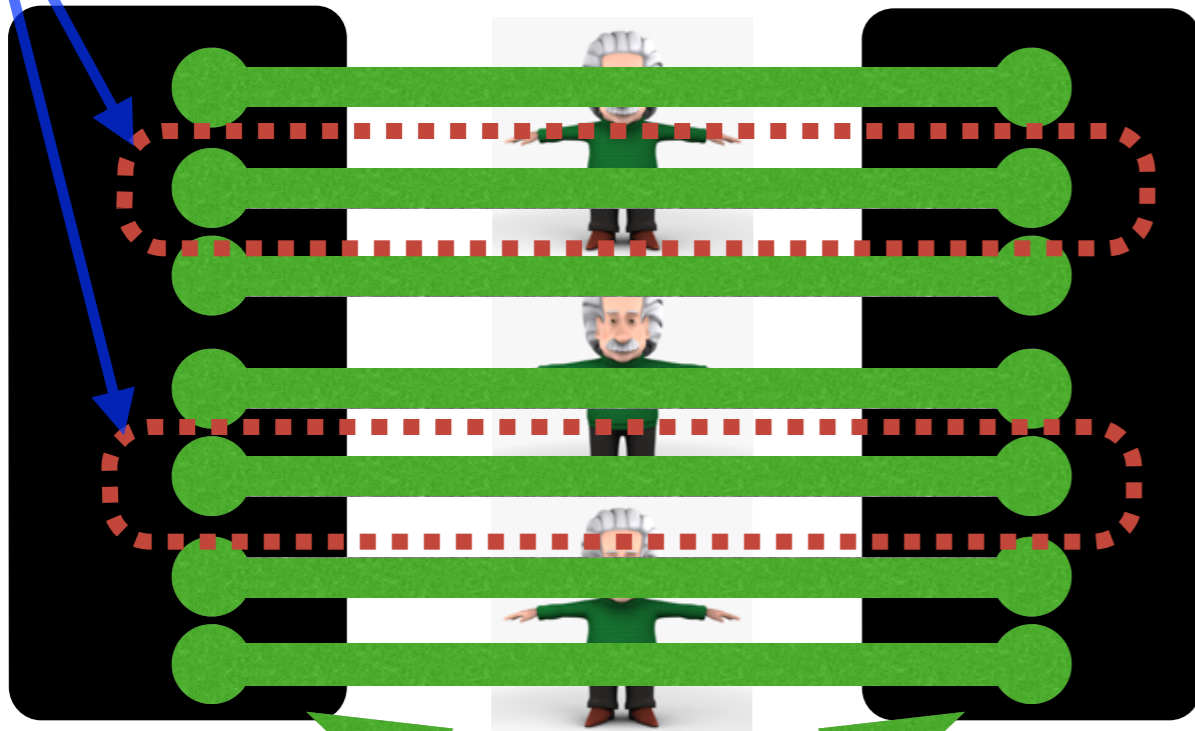
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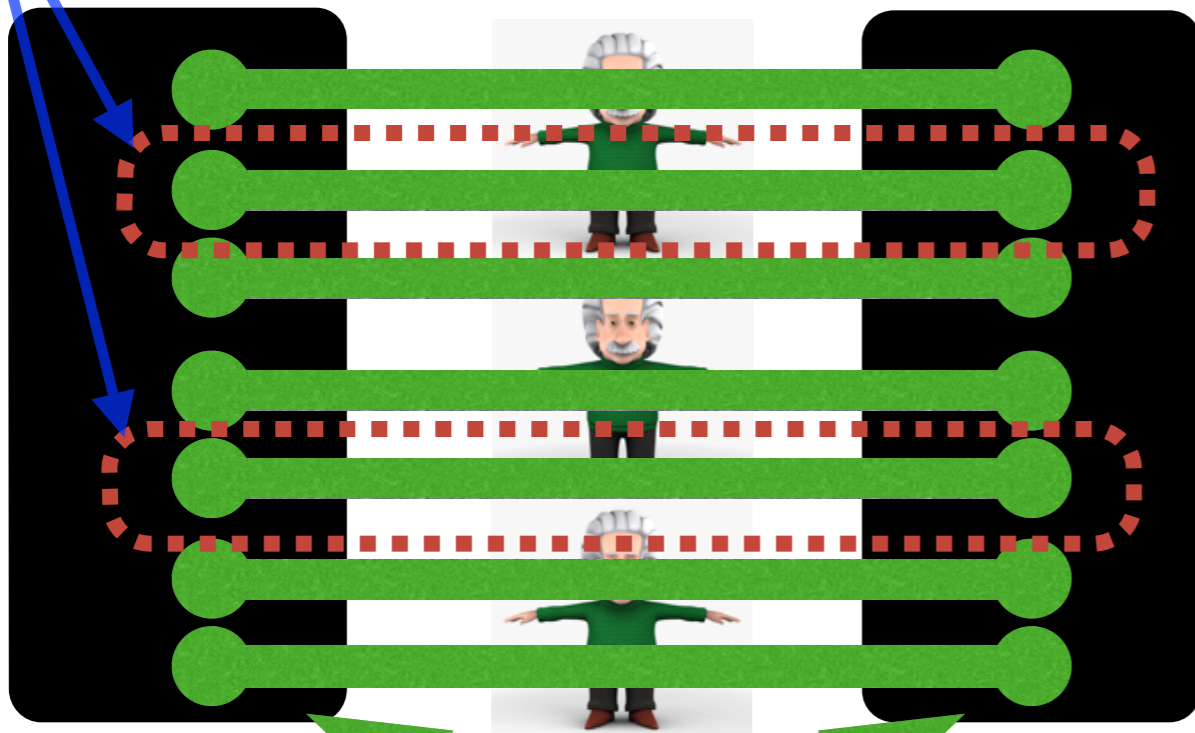
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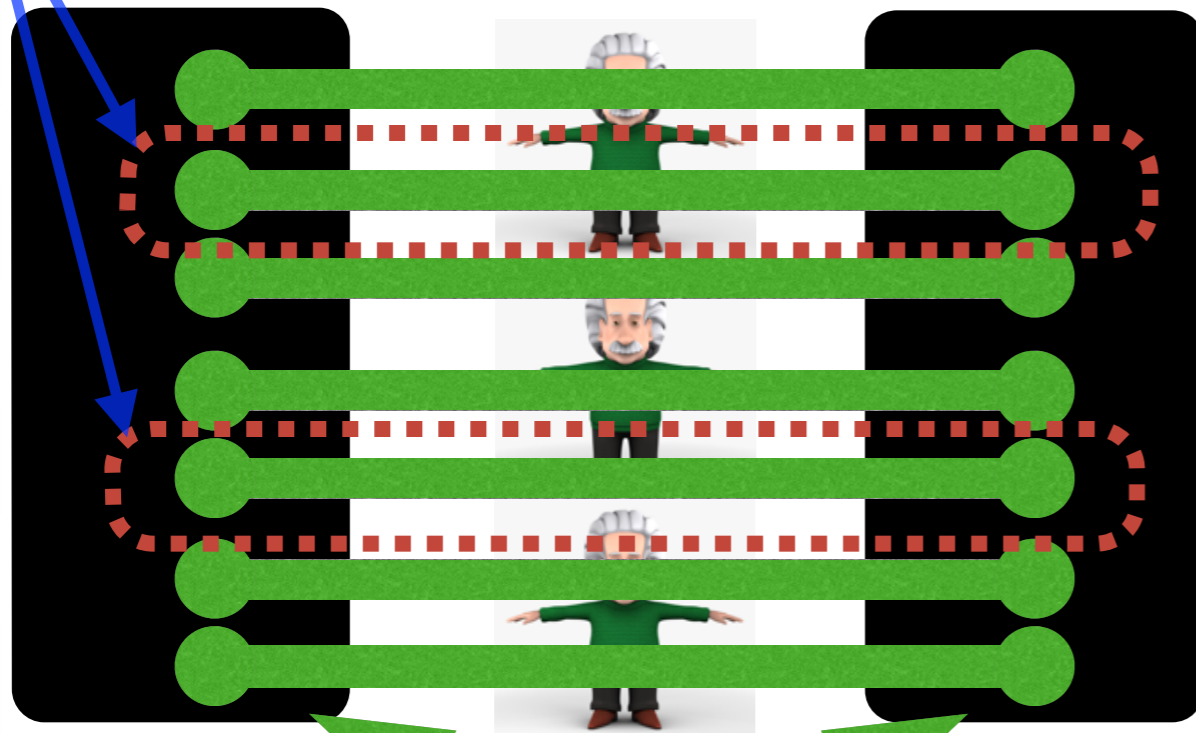
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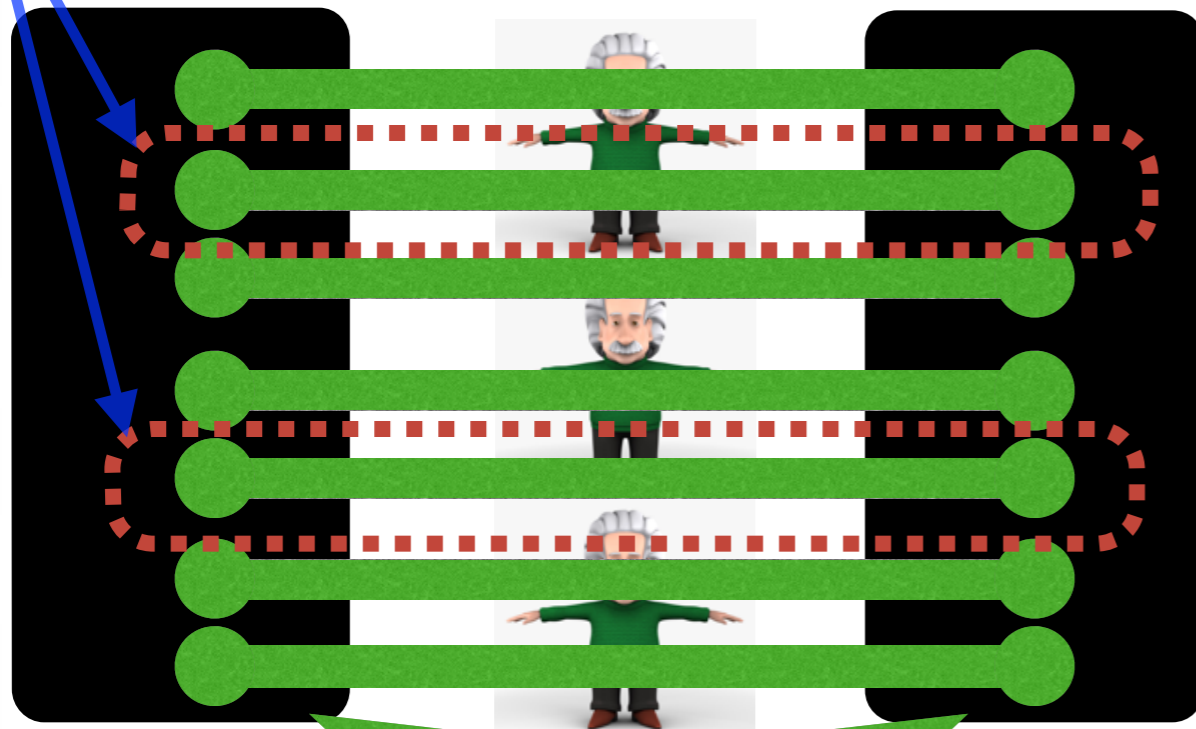
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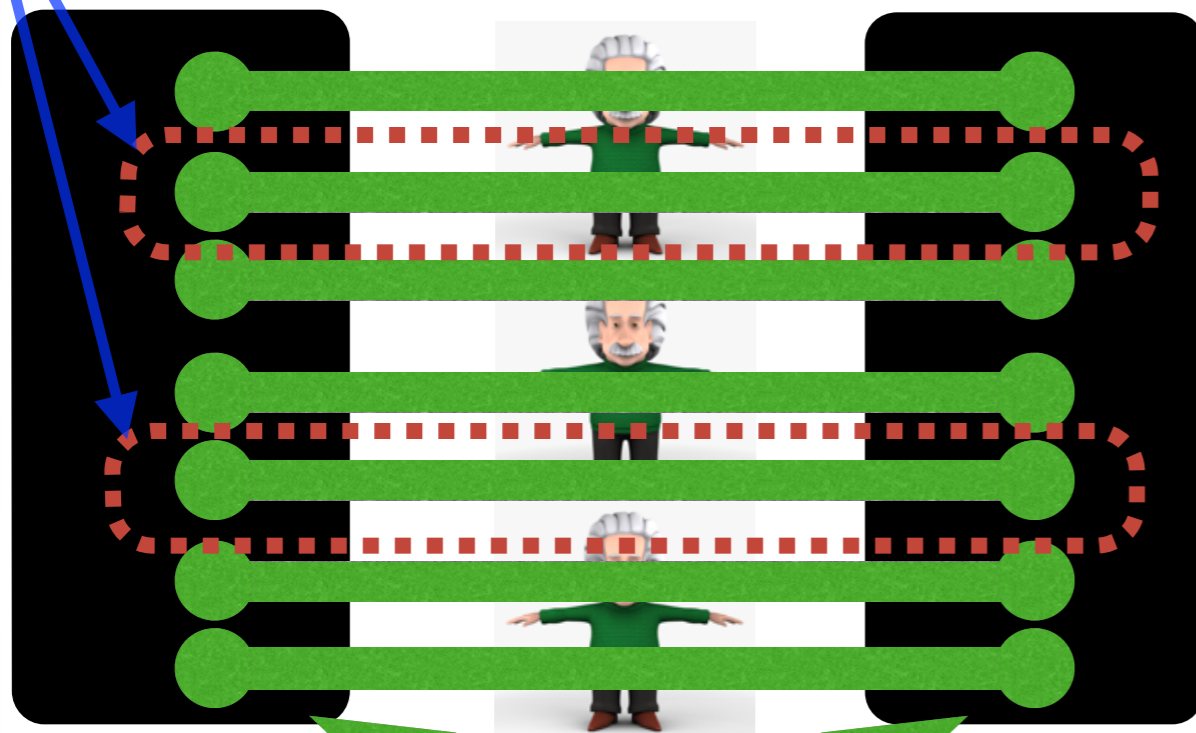
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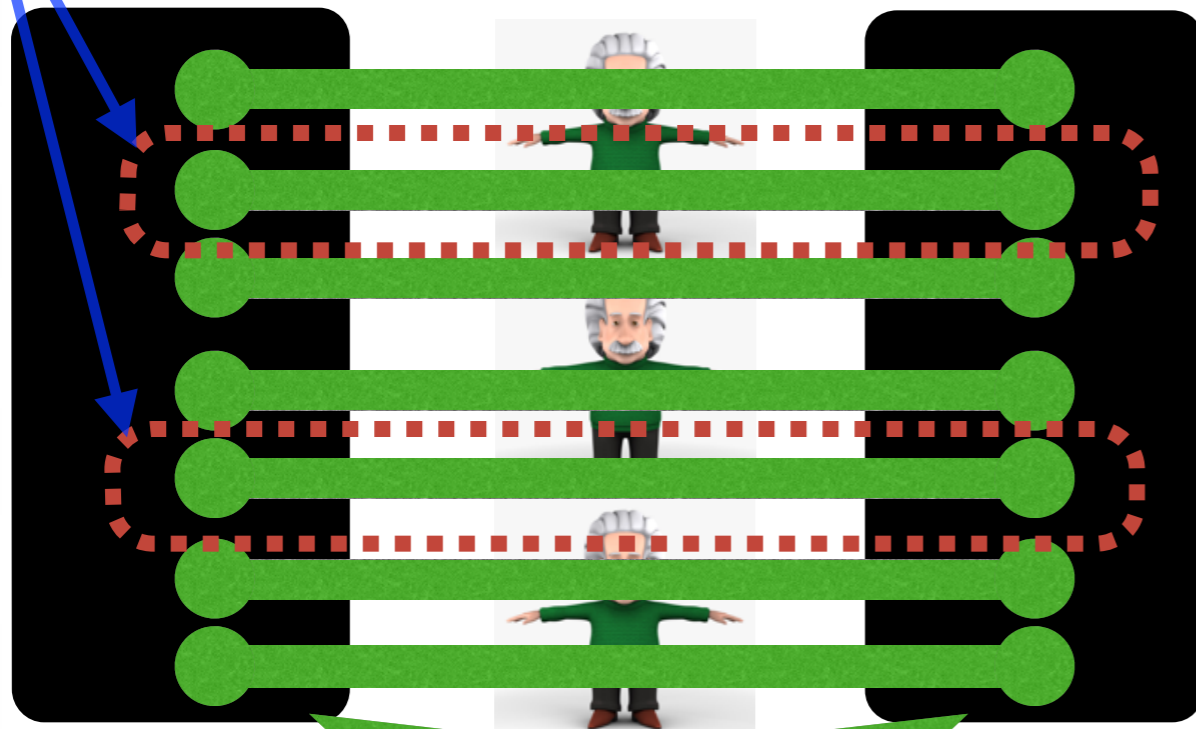
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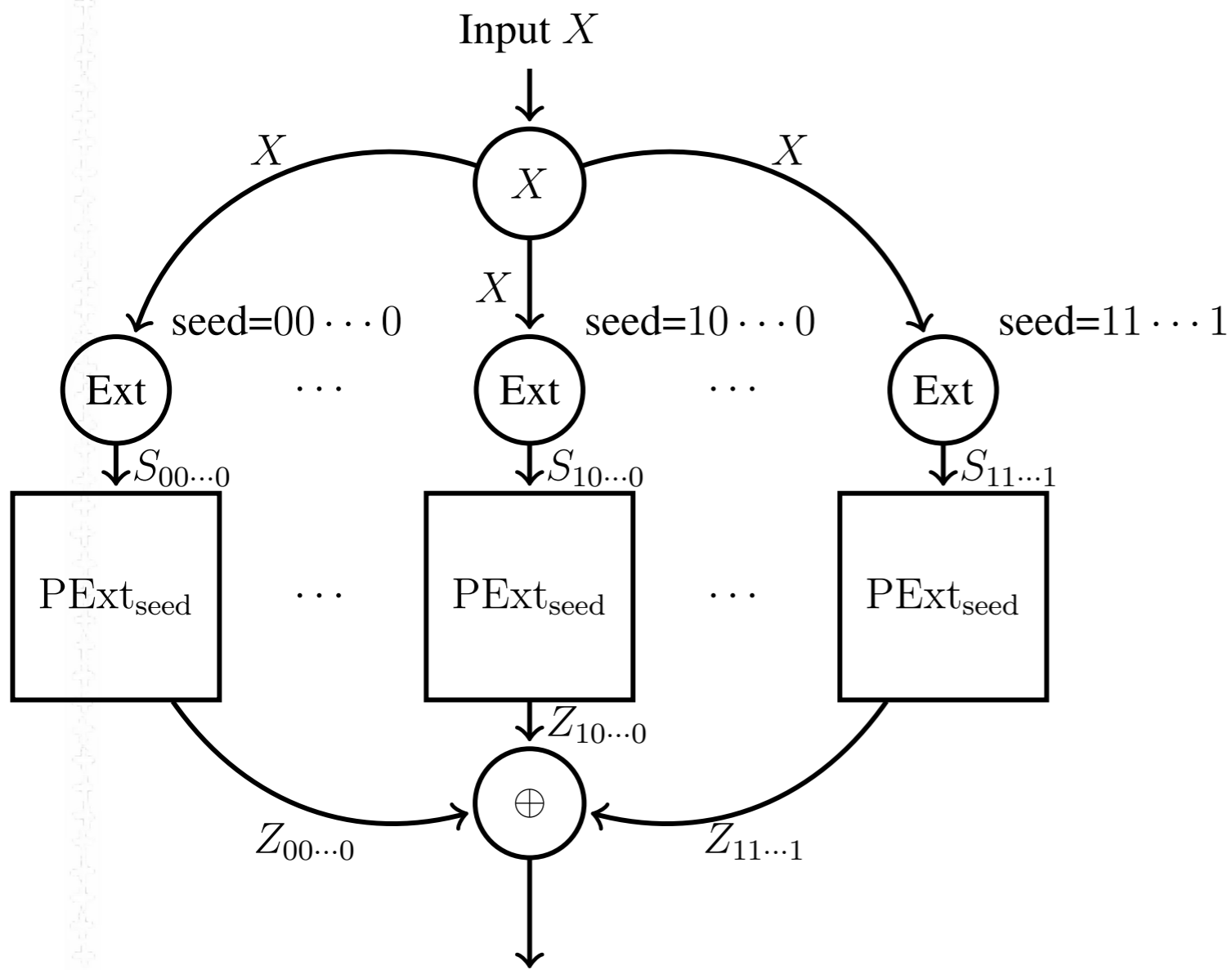
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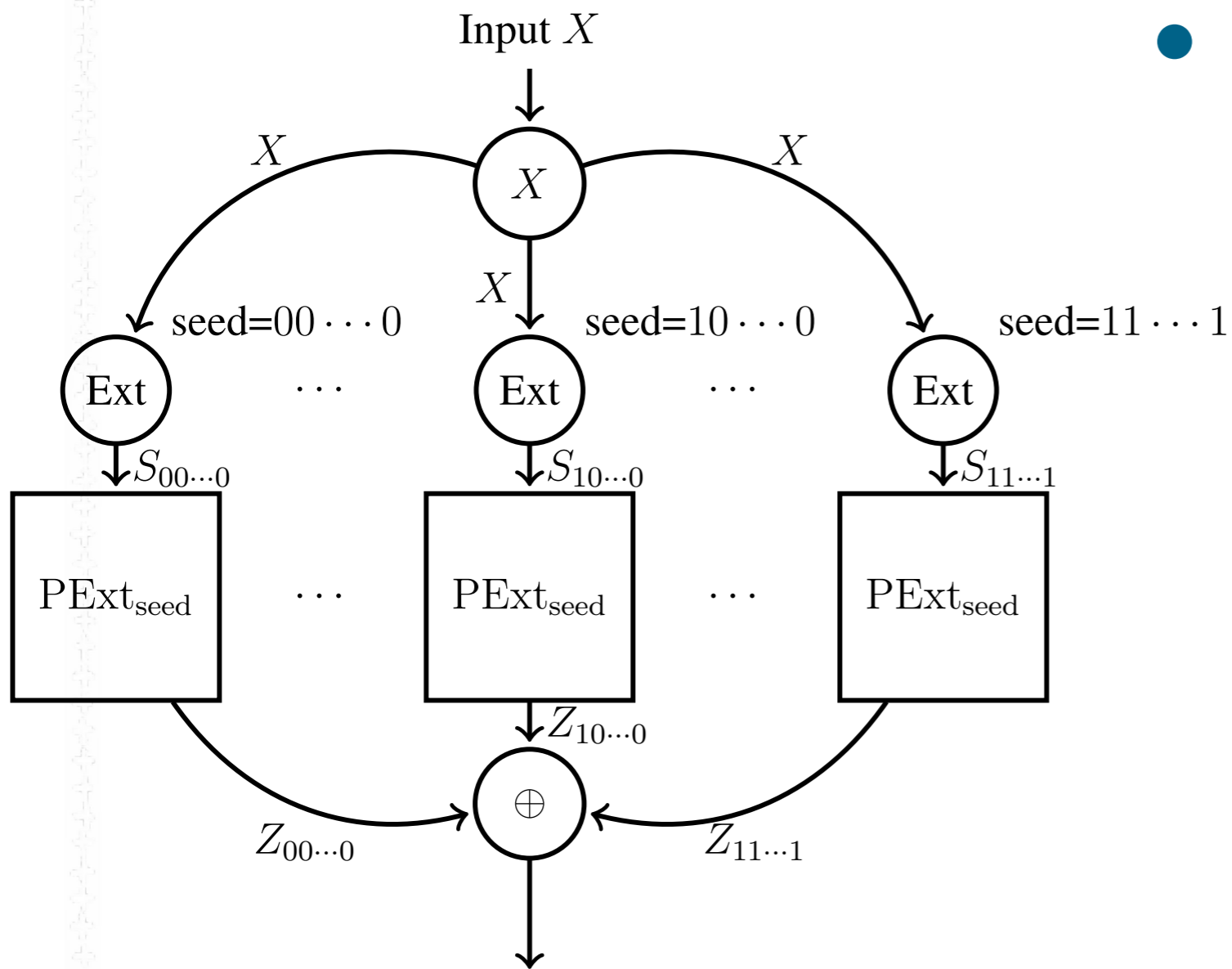


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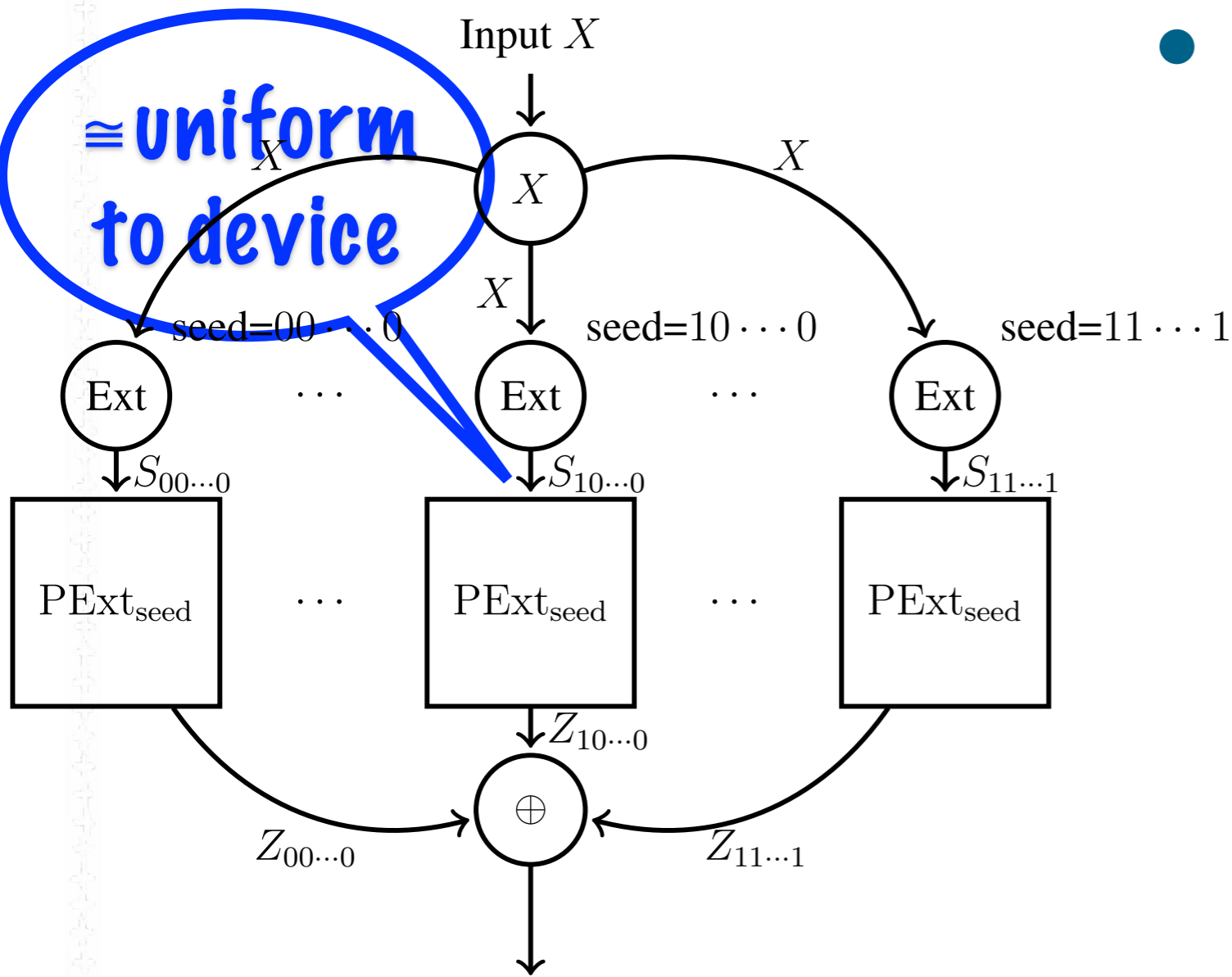
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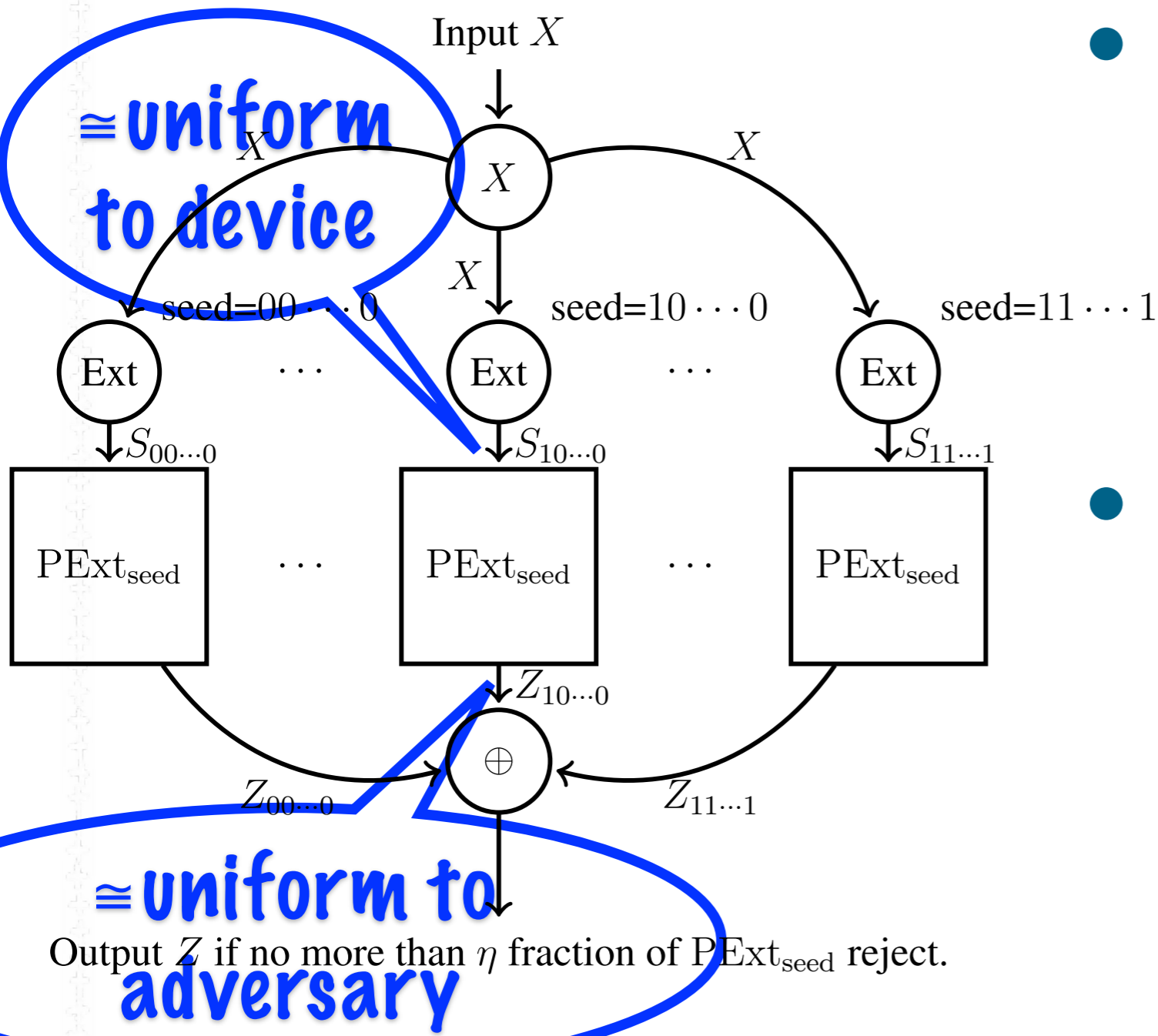


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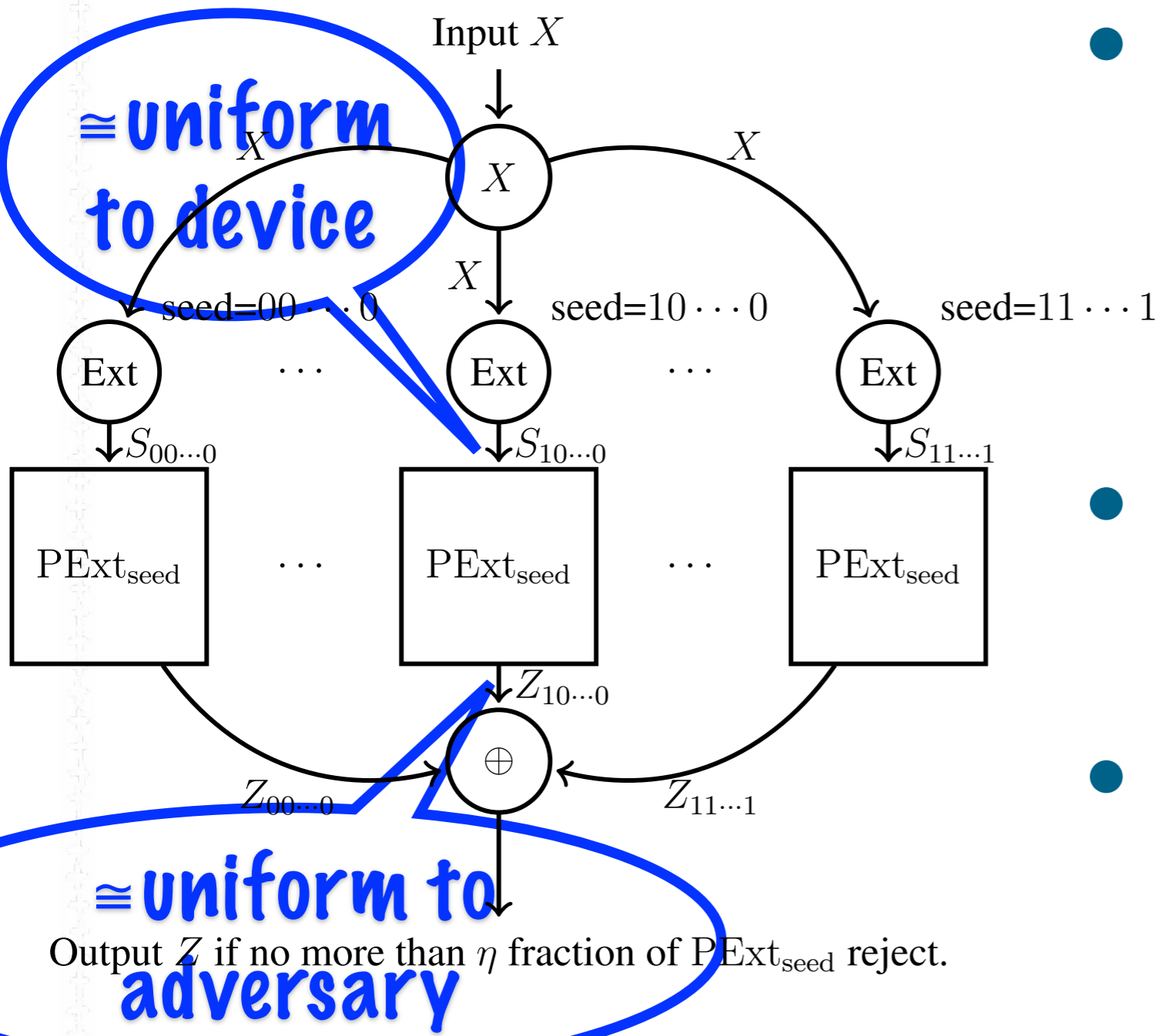
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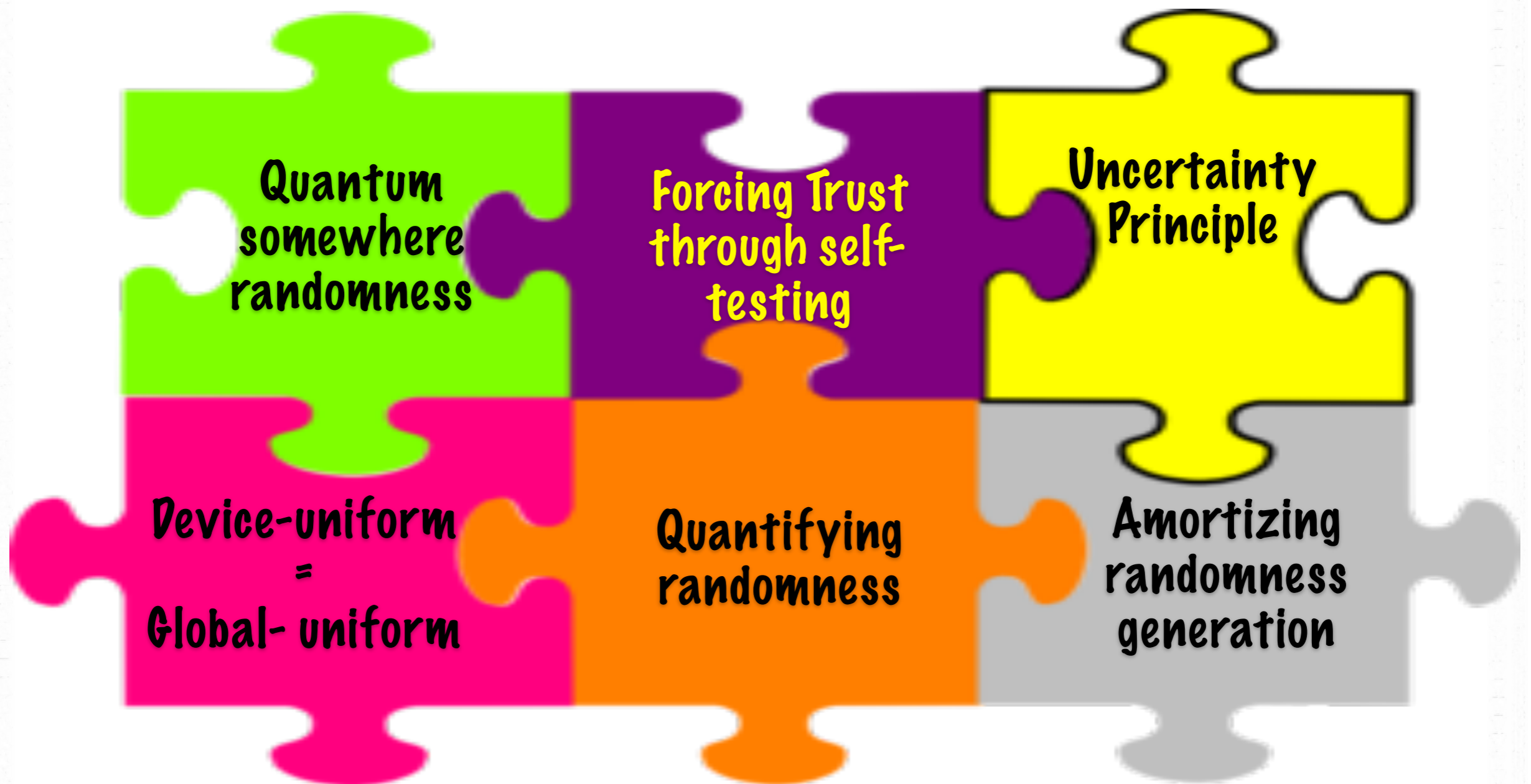
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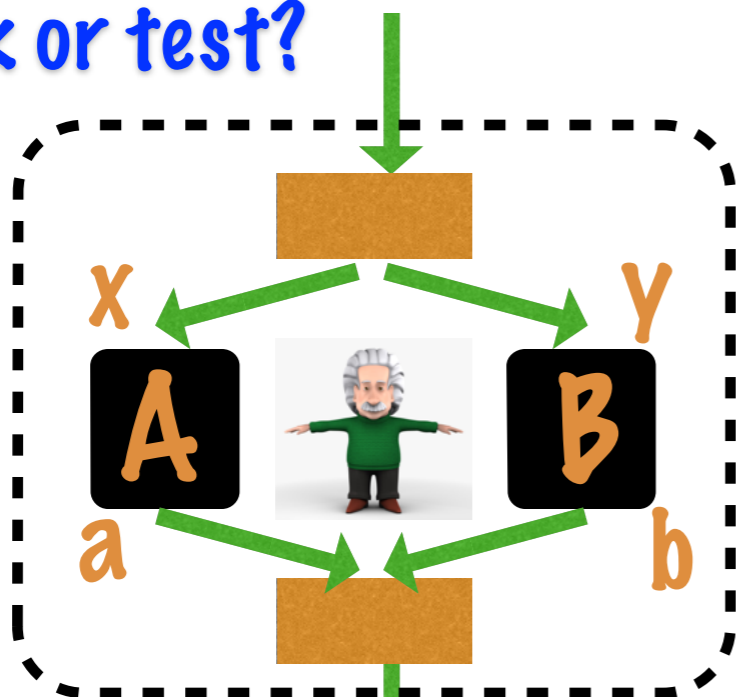
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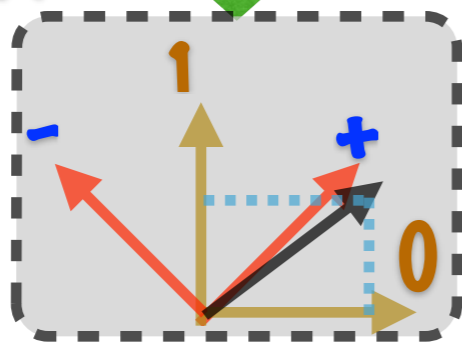
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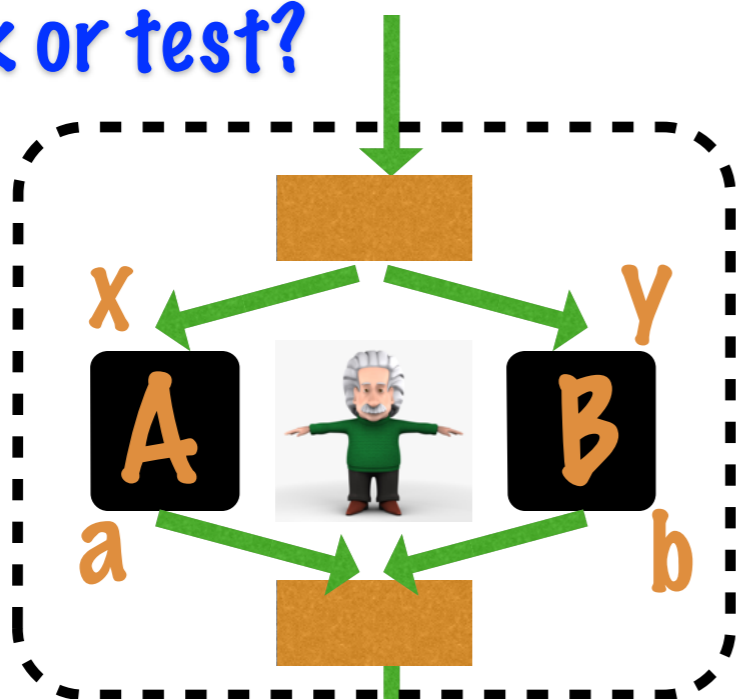


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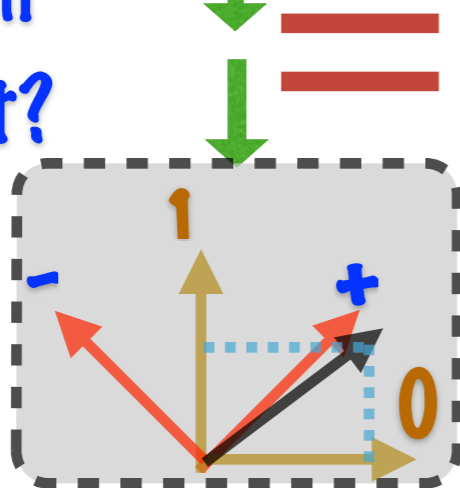
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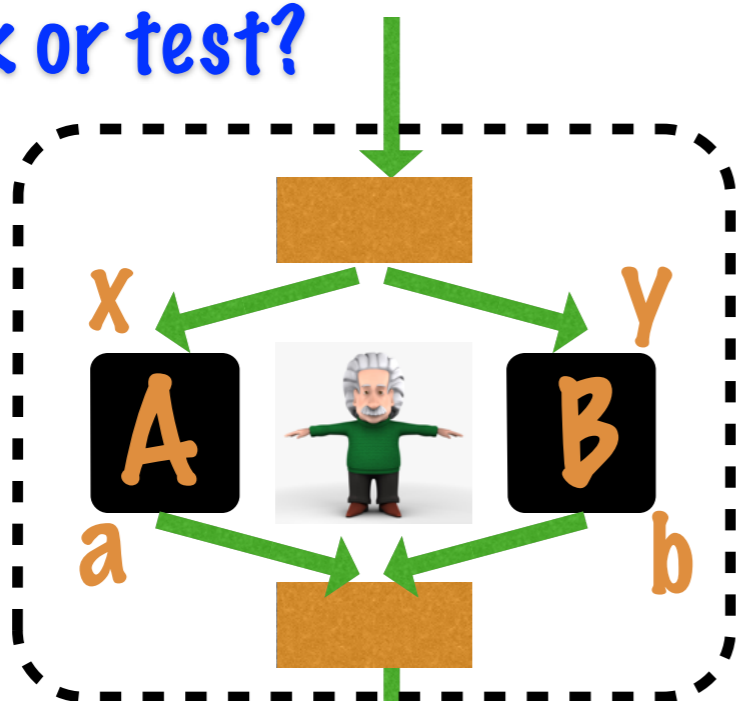


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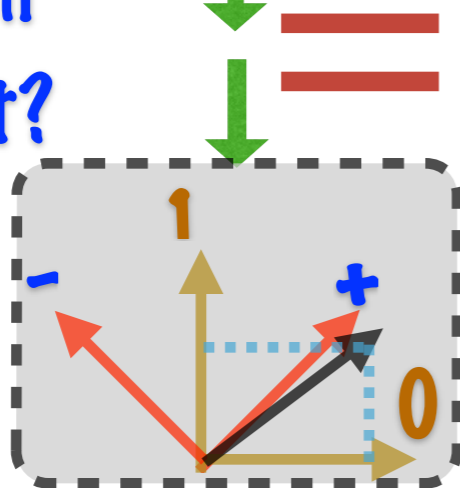
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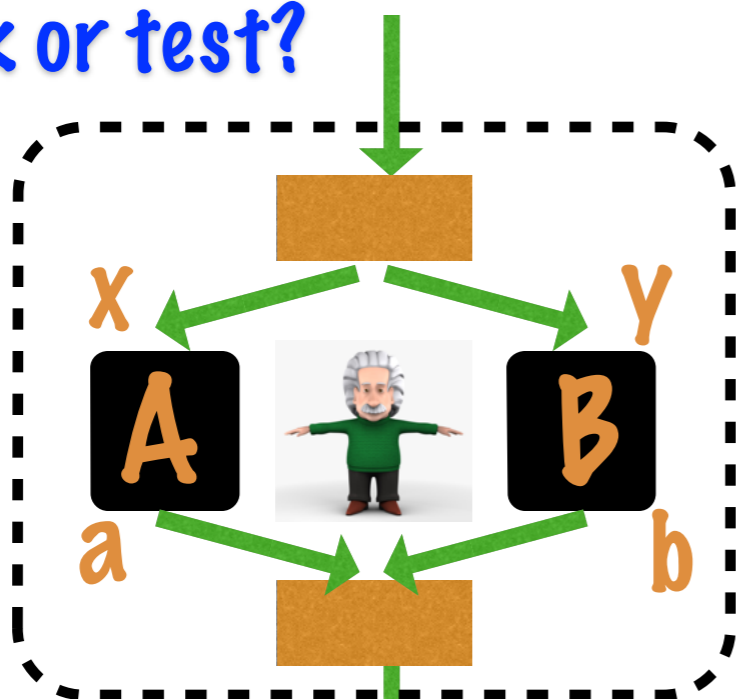
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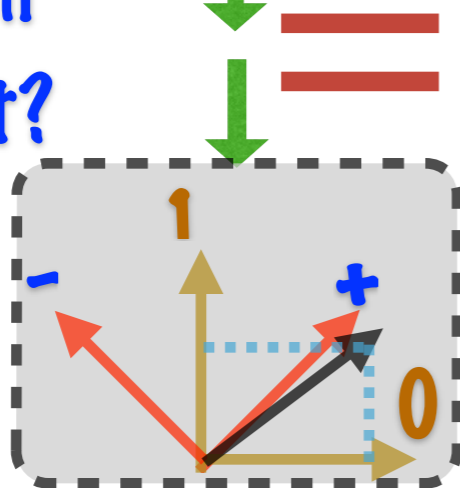
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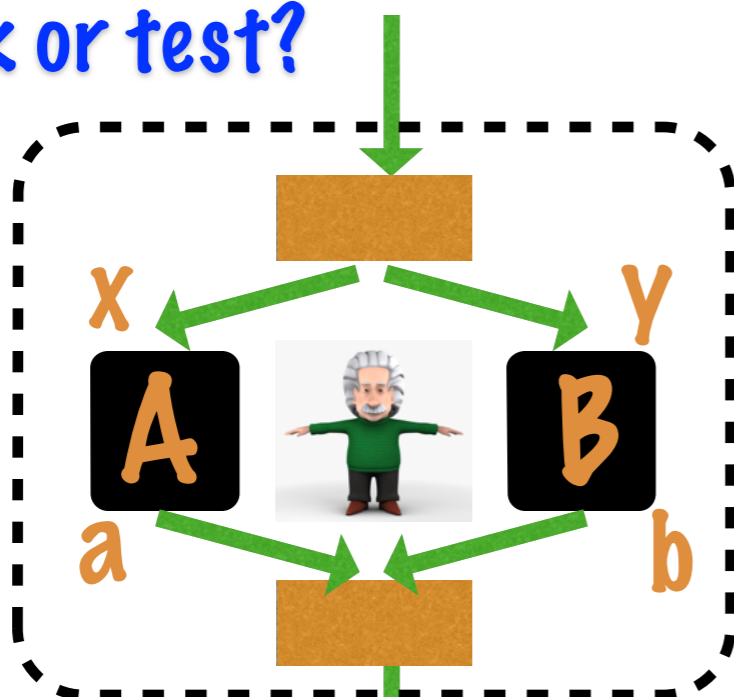
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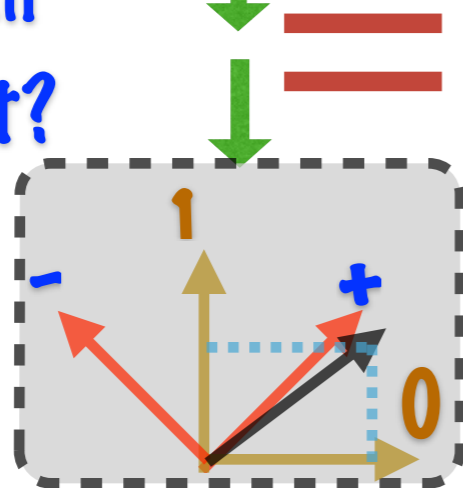
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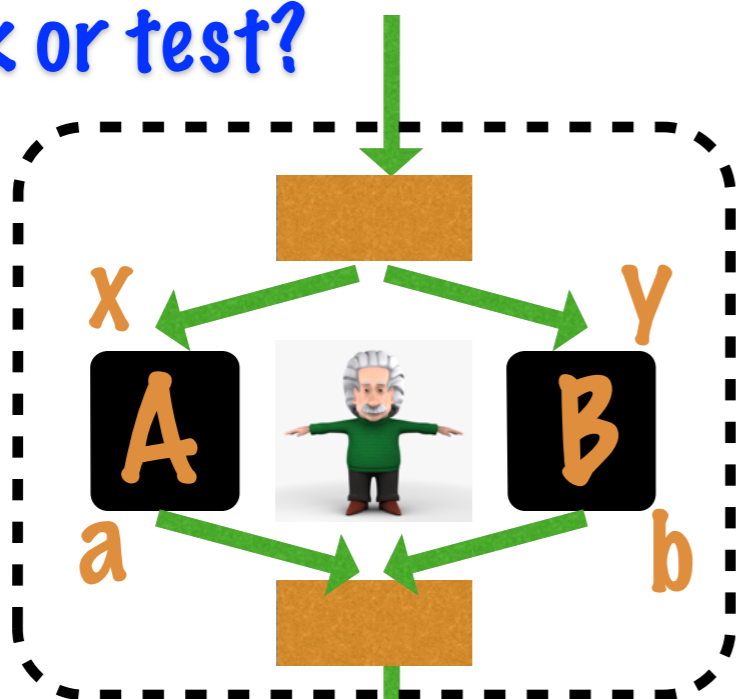
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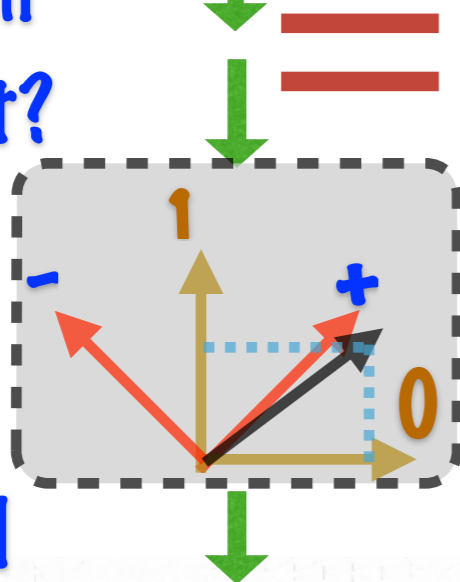
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“Randomness capacity” of untrusted-devices

- What quantifies the maximum amount of extractible randomness from (non-communicating) untrusted devices?
- All published proofs require linear amount of entanglement
- Is entanglement really needed?!

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Maximum noise tolerable: the boundaries between quantum-classical-no security

- What is the maximum level of imperfection allowed for ensuring quantum security?
 - Trivial upper bound: quantum-classical gap
 - Another trivial but better (?) bound: quantum - OPT when output is deterministic
- Is there a range of noise values that provide classical security but not quantum security?

Open problems

Maximum output bit rate under noise

- A more quantitative version of the previous question; important for practical use
- Two ways to improve the rate under noise based on Miller-Shi
 - Improve the trust coefficient
 - Method for computing the optimal trust coefficient?
 - Improve the Schatten norm uncertainty principle

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What are the most general class of games allowed?

- Anything having a quantum-classical gap?
- Kochen-Specker games?

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 - As a function of the source, output, and error parameters
 - Trevisan's extractor [De et. al.'12]: $\log^2(n/\epsilon) \log(m)$
 - Just $O(\log(n/\epsilon))$?

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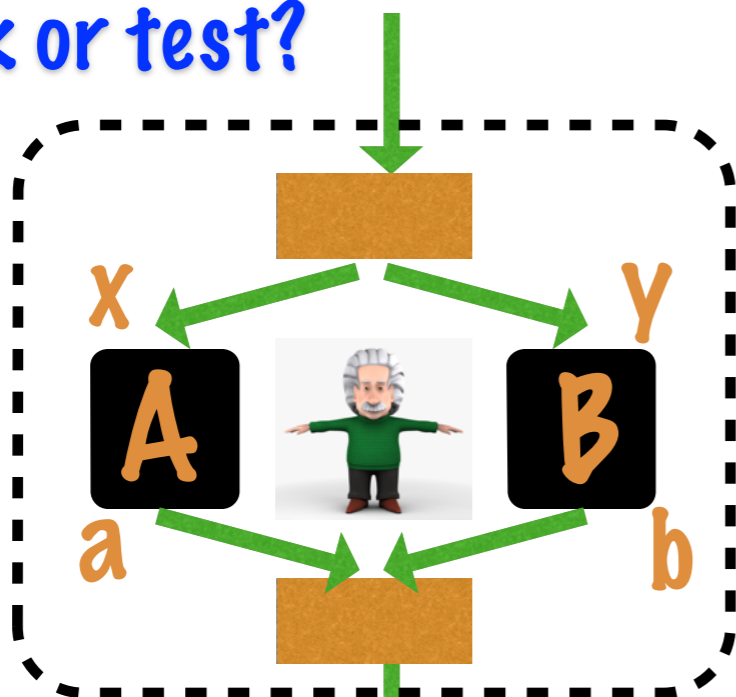
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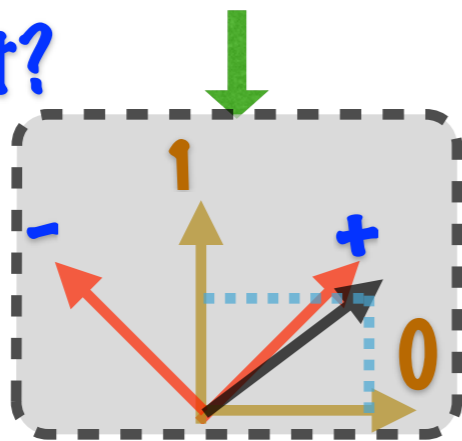
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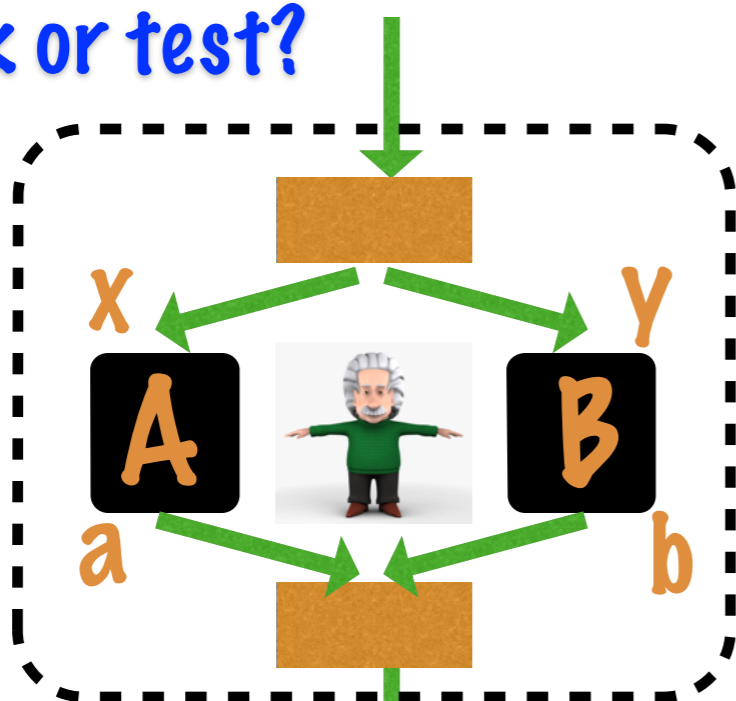


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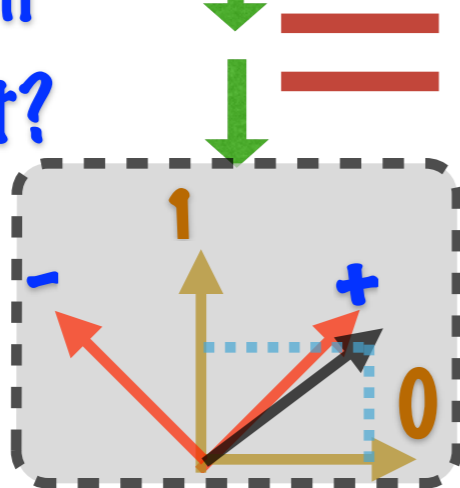
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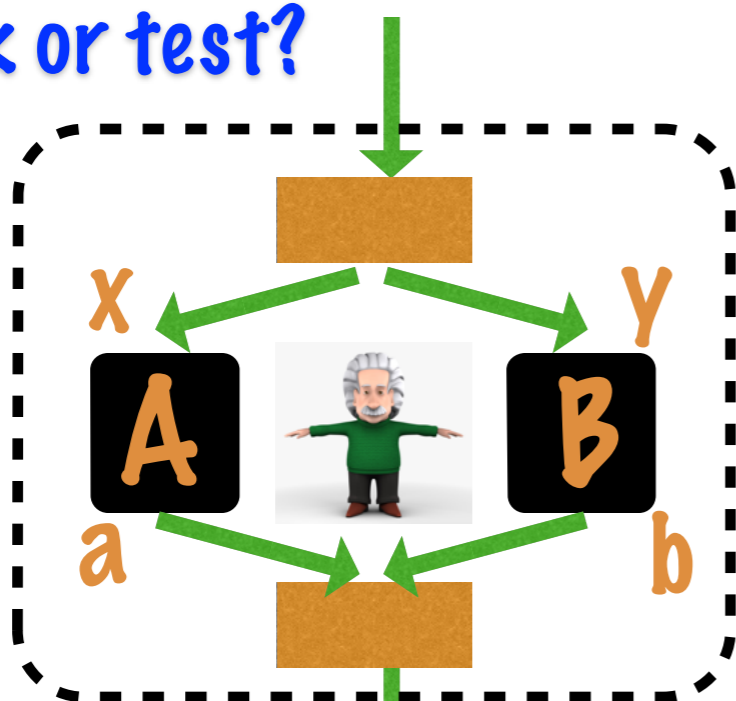


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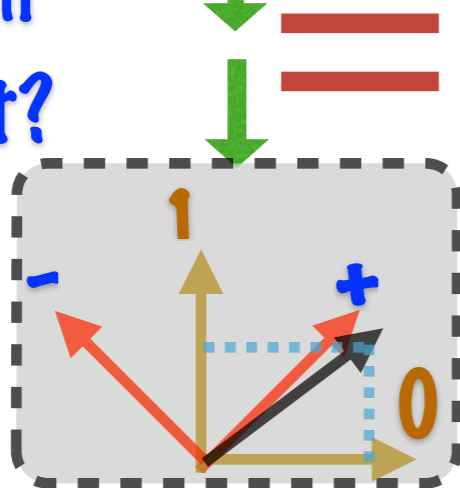
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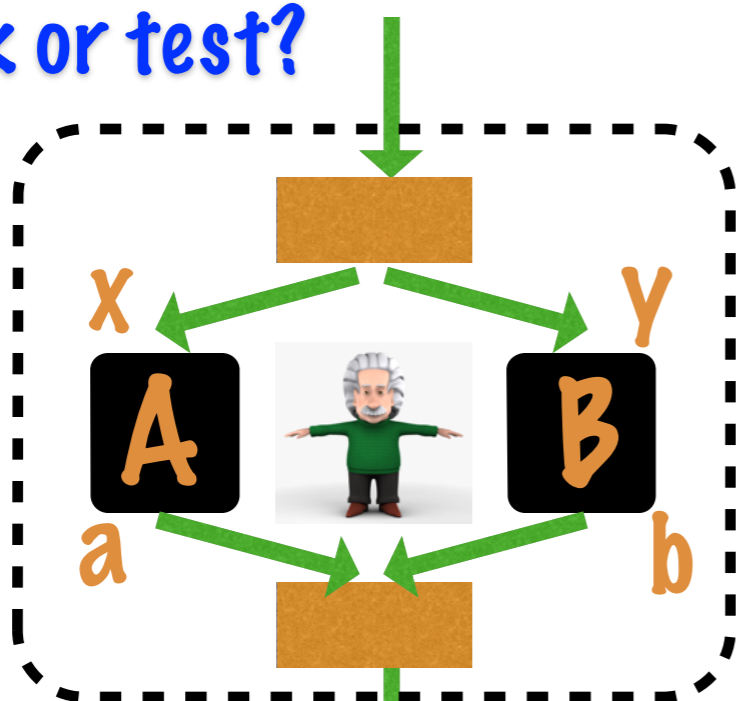
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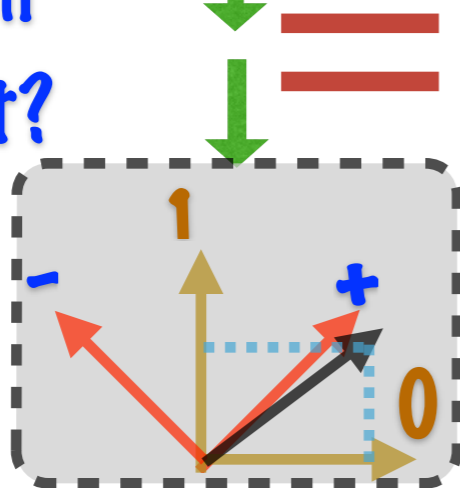
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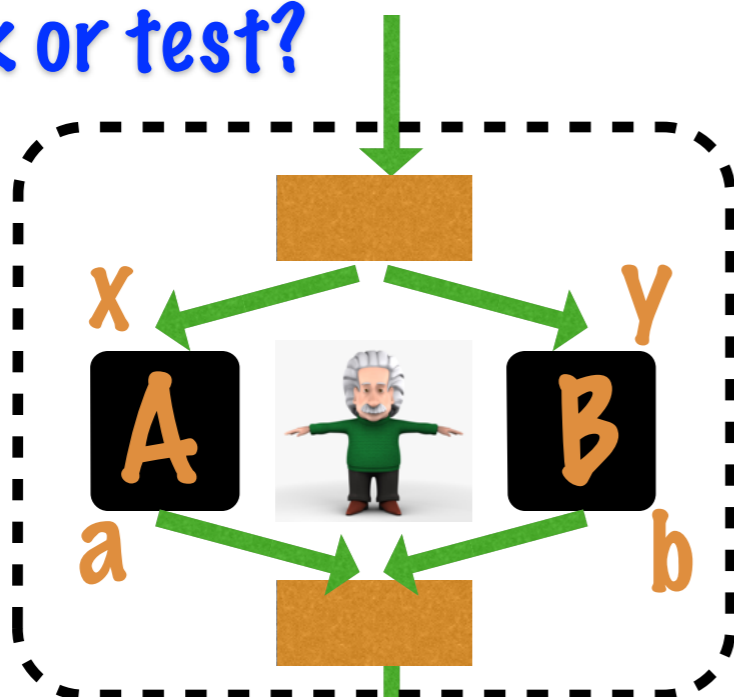
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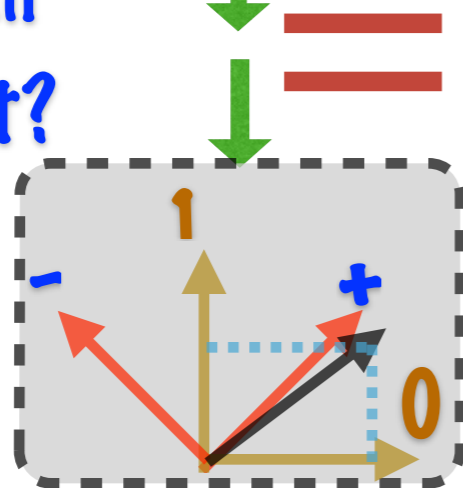
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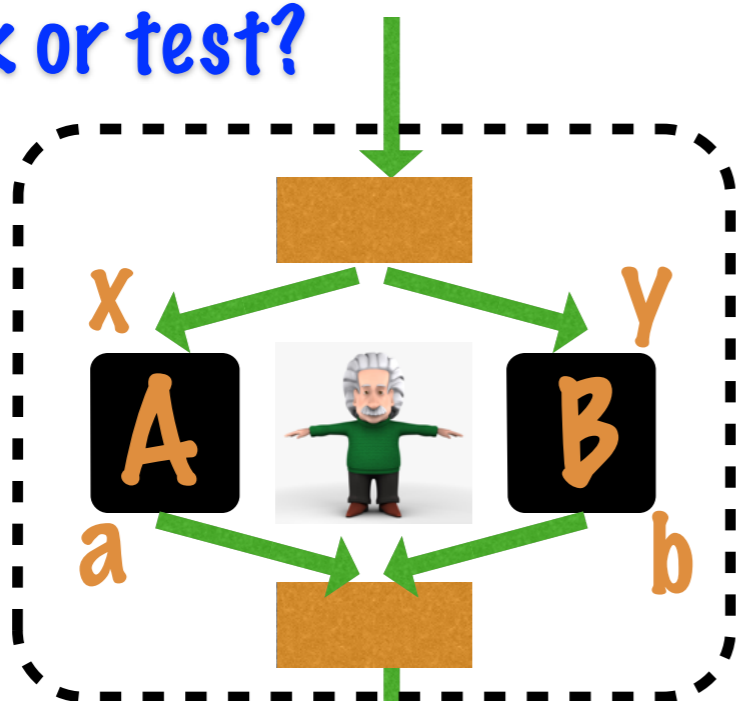
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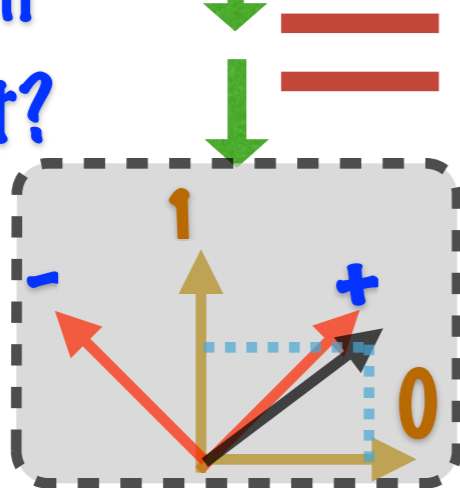
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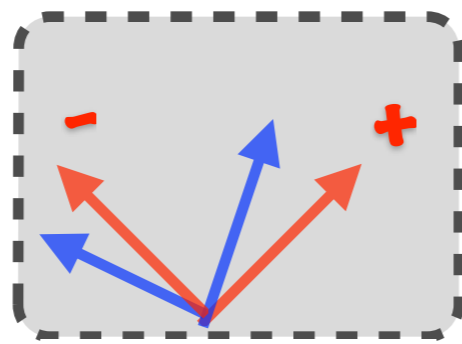
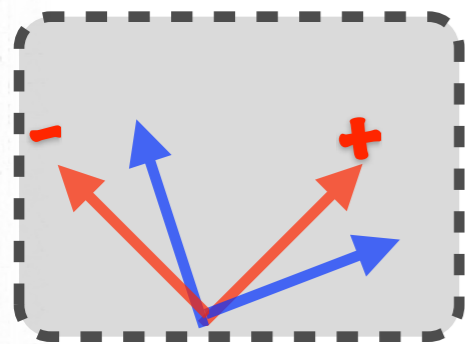
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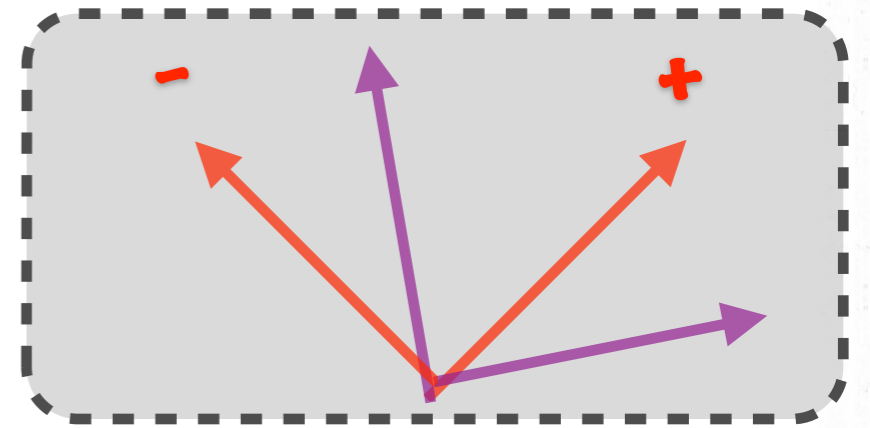
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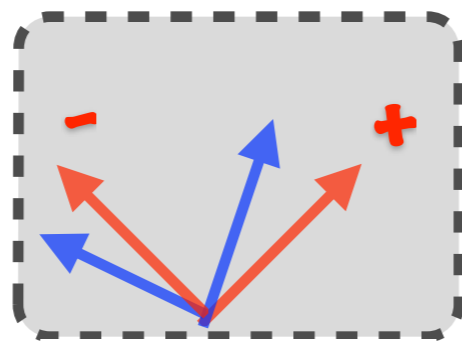
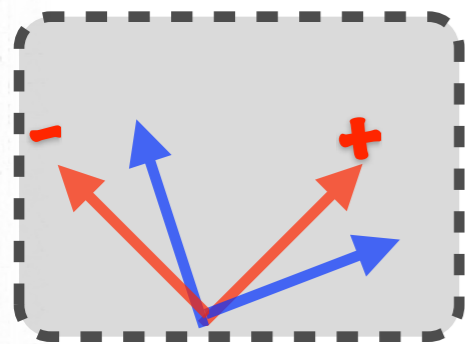


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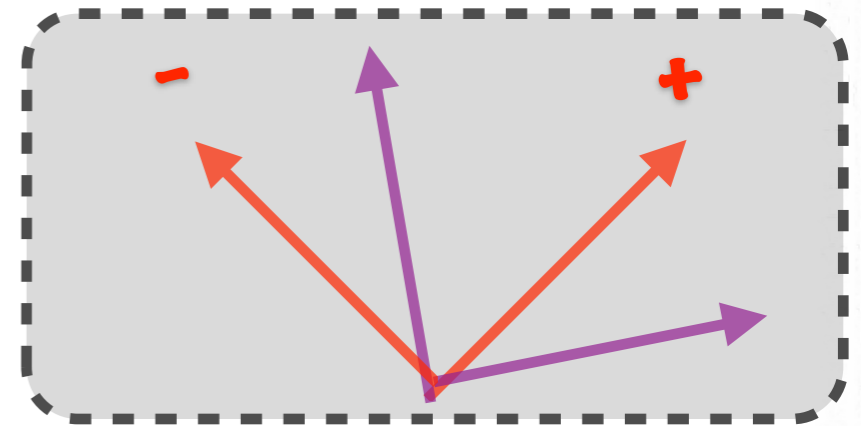
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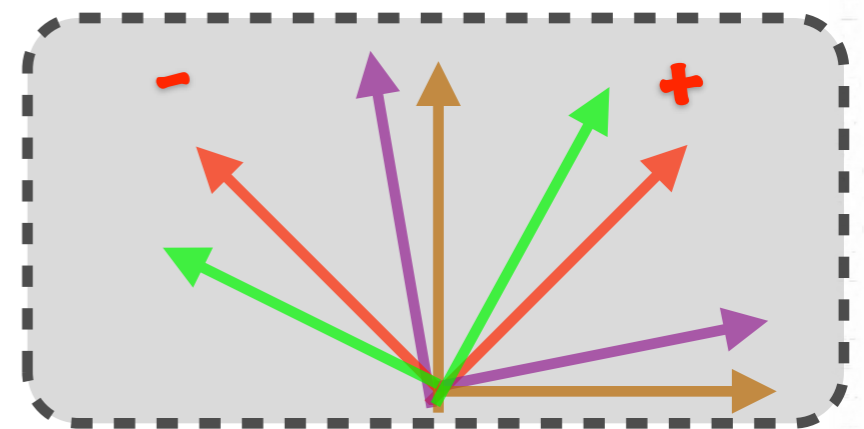
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- Largest v : trust coefficient

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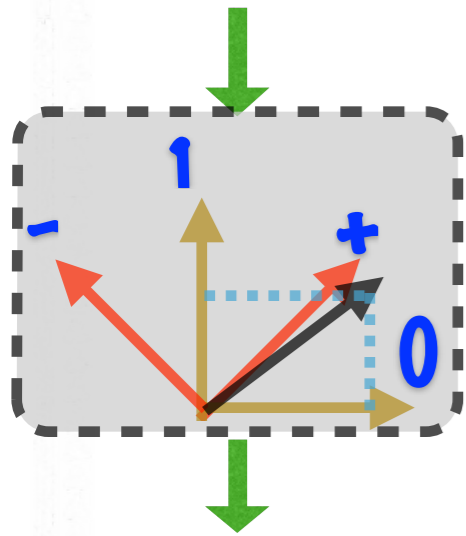
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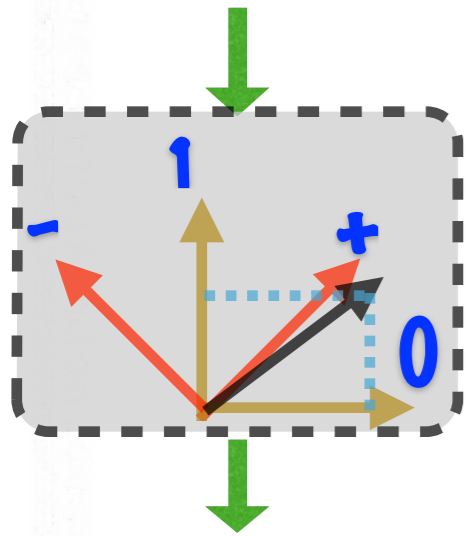
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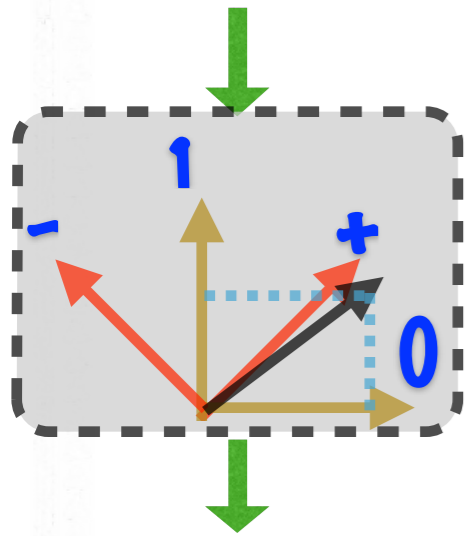


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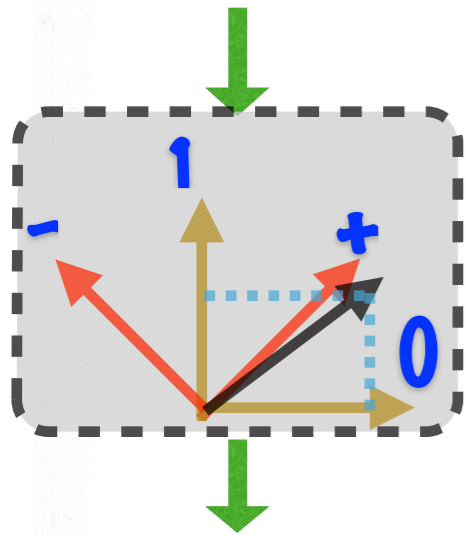
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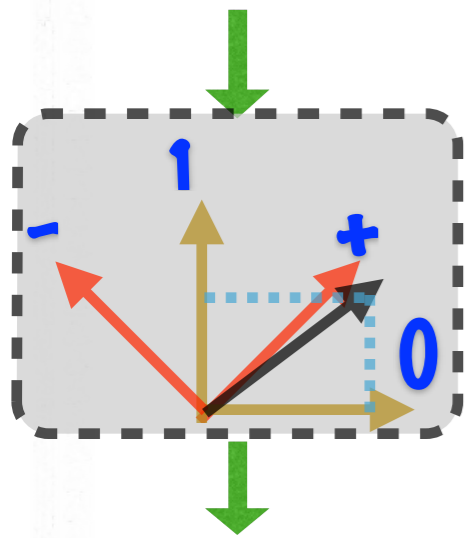
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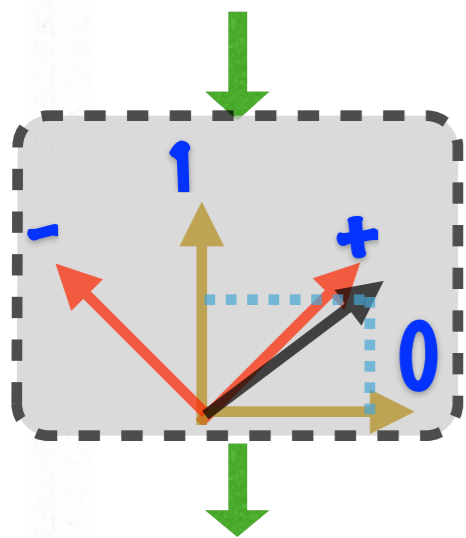
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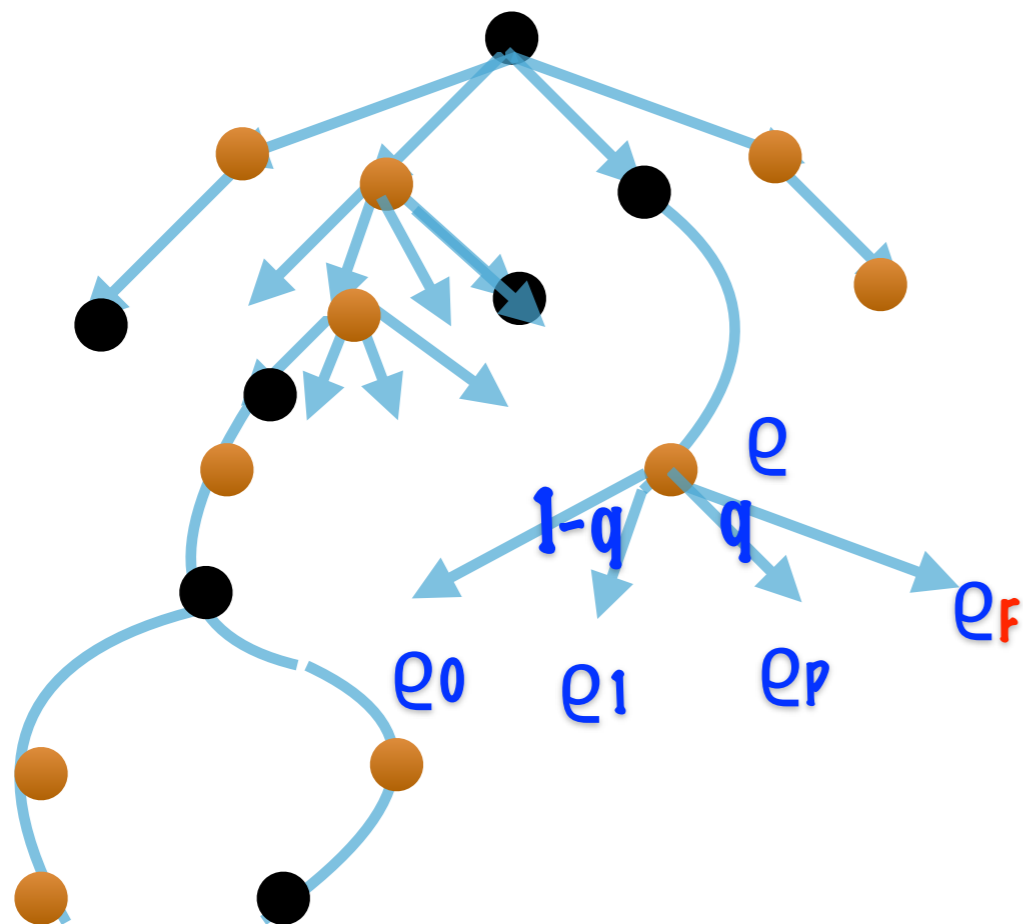
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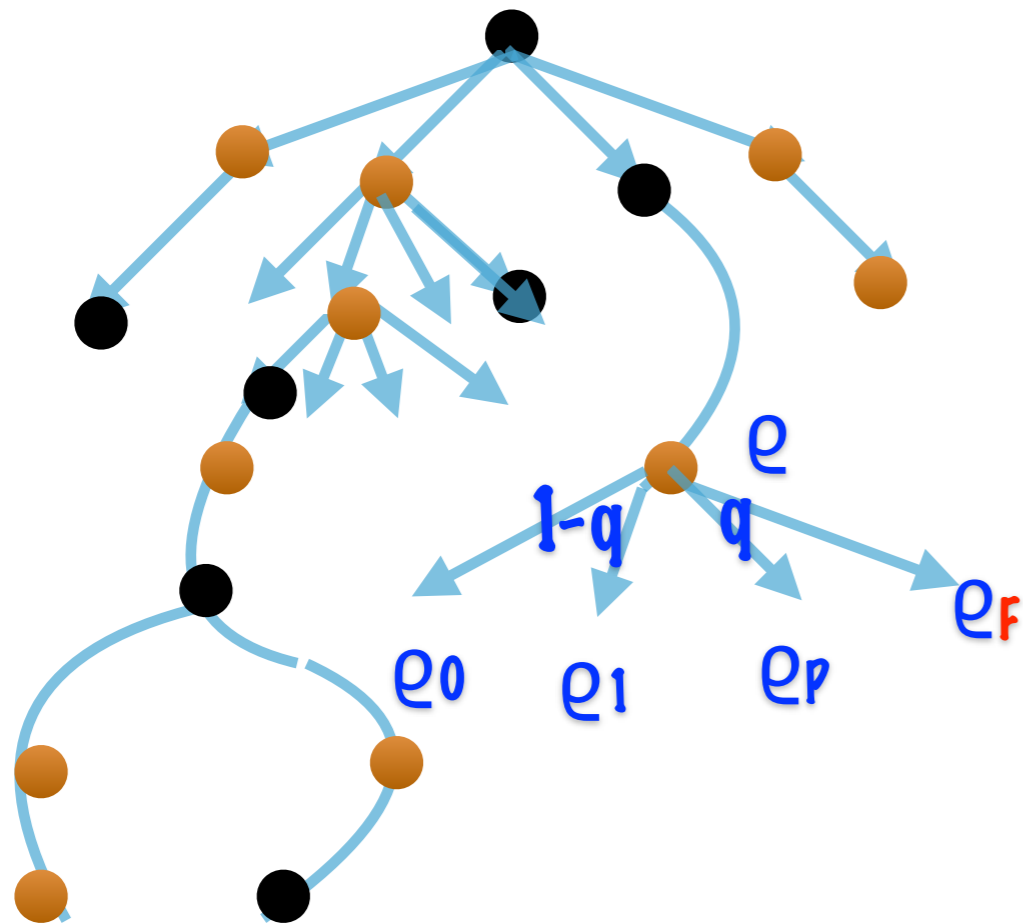
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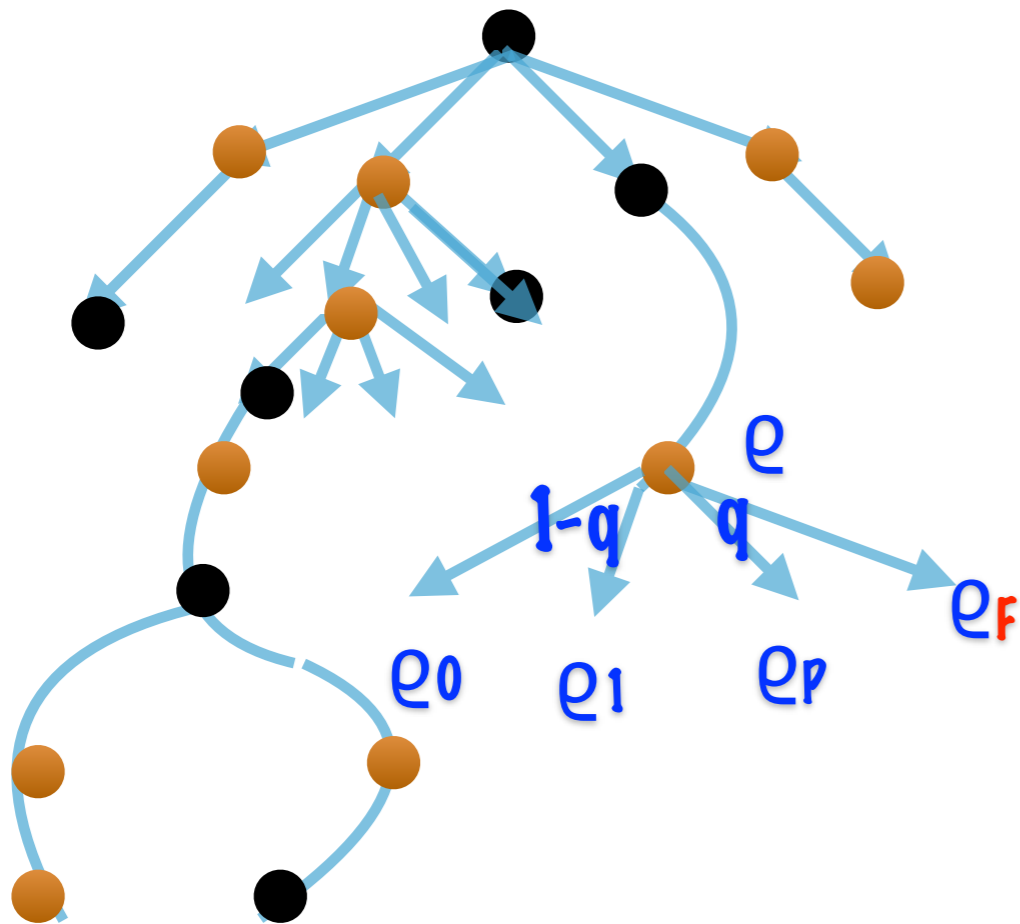
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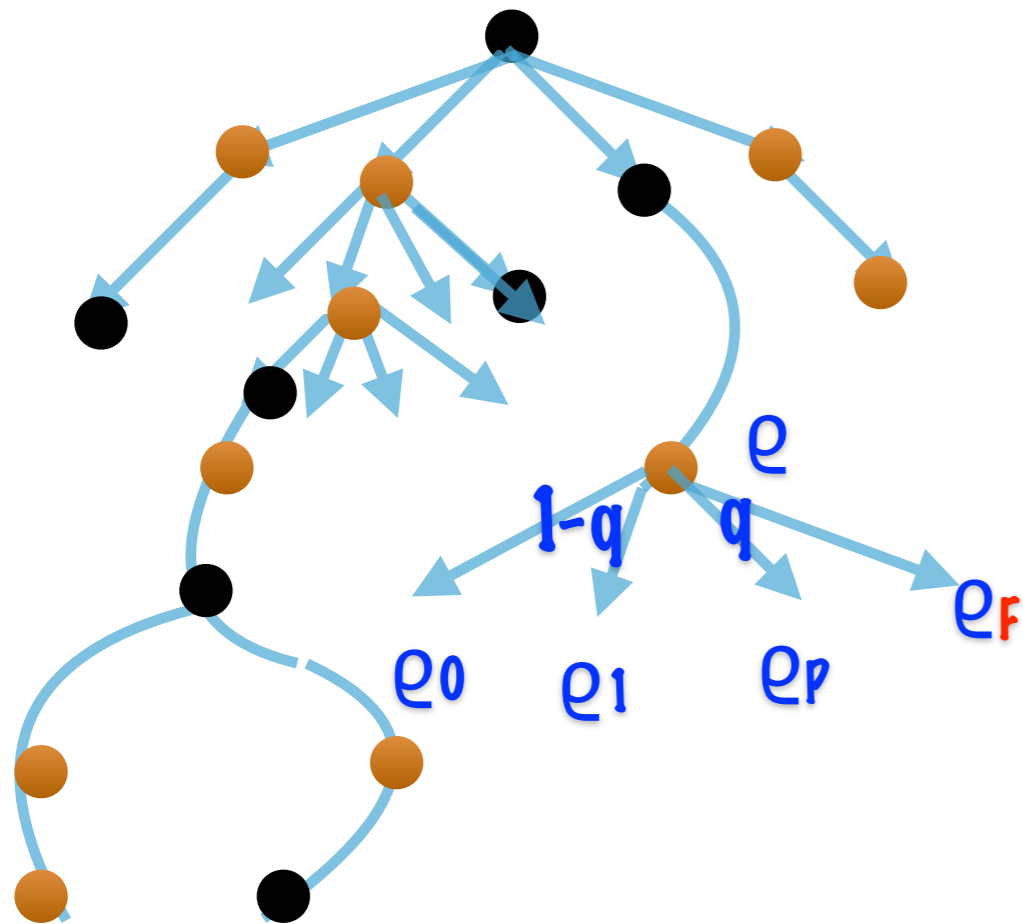
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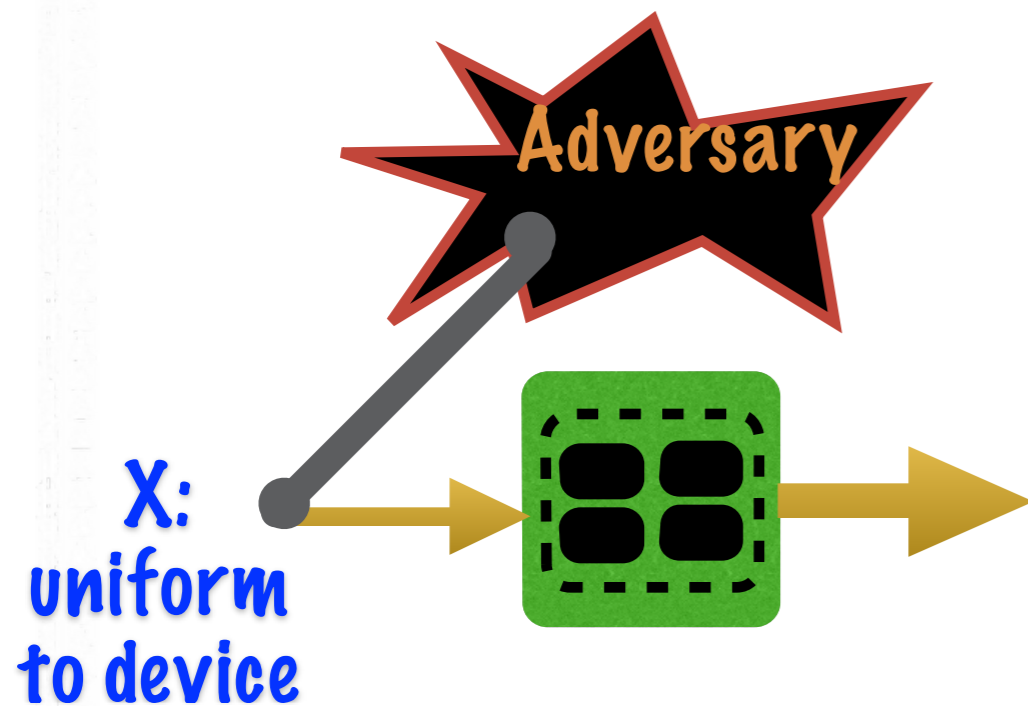
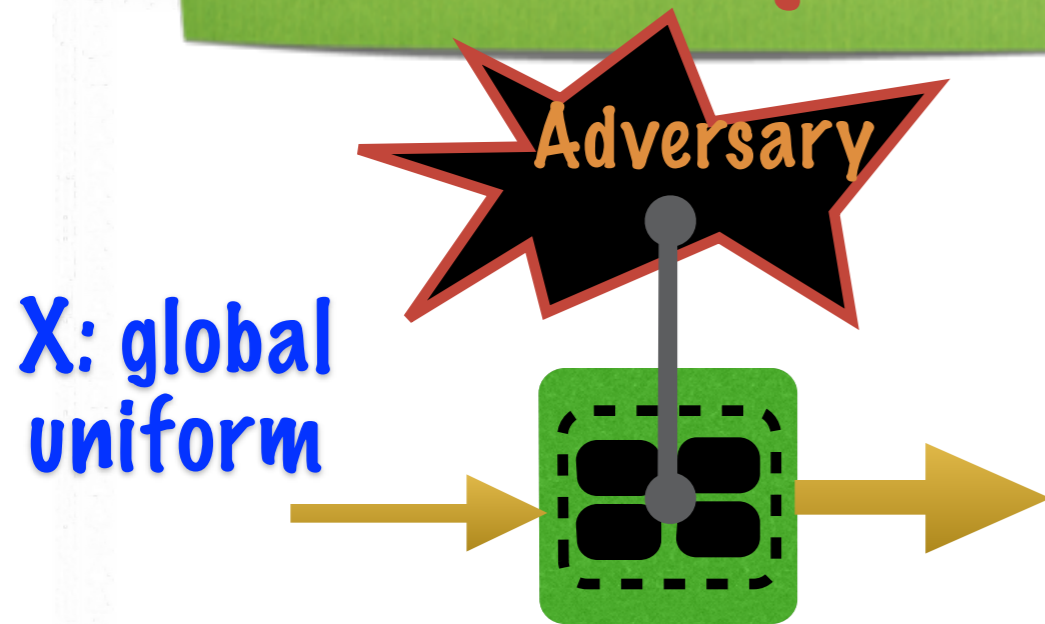
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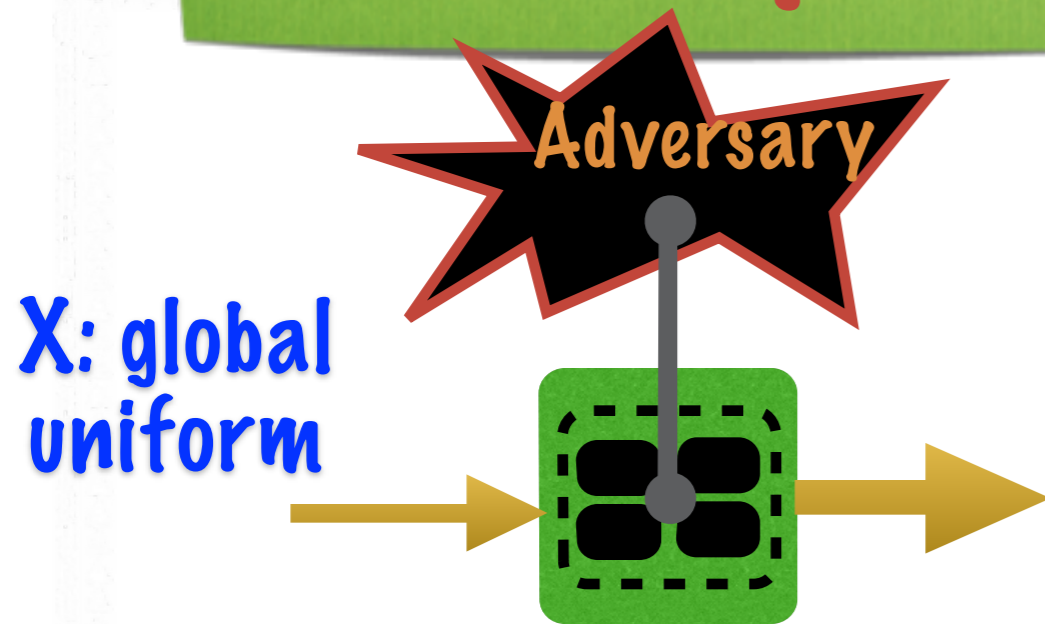
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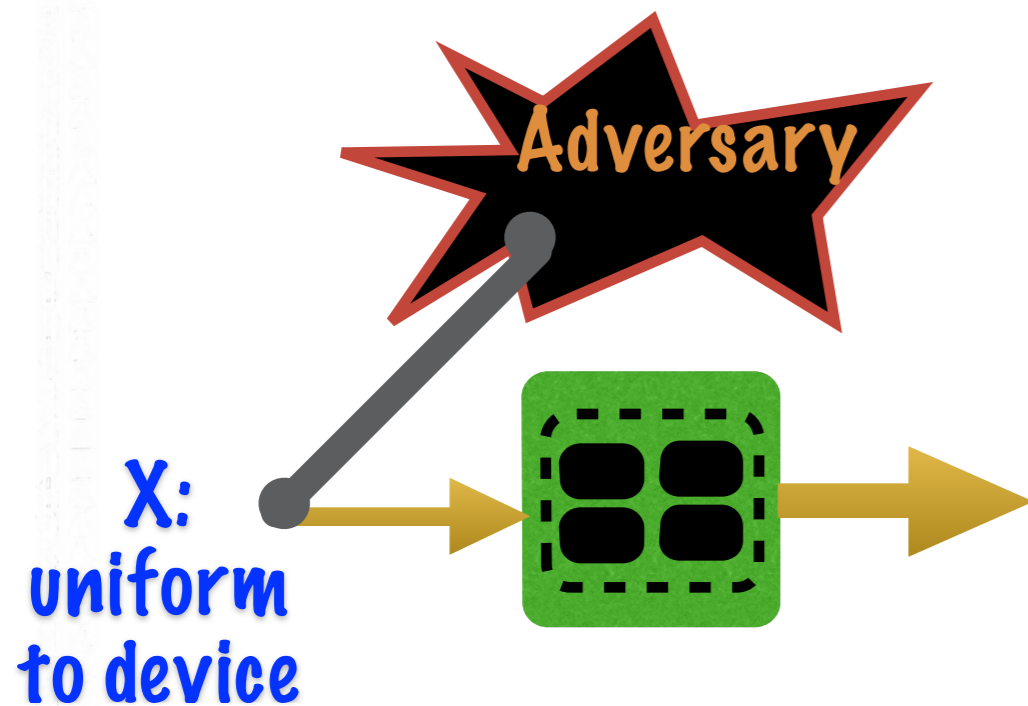


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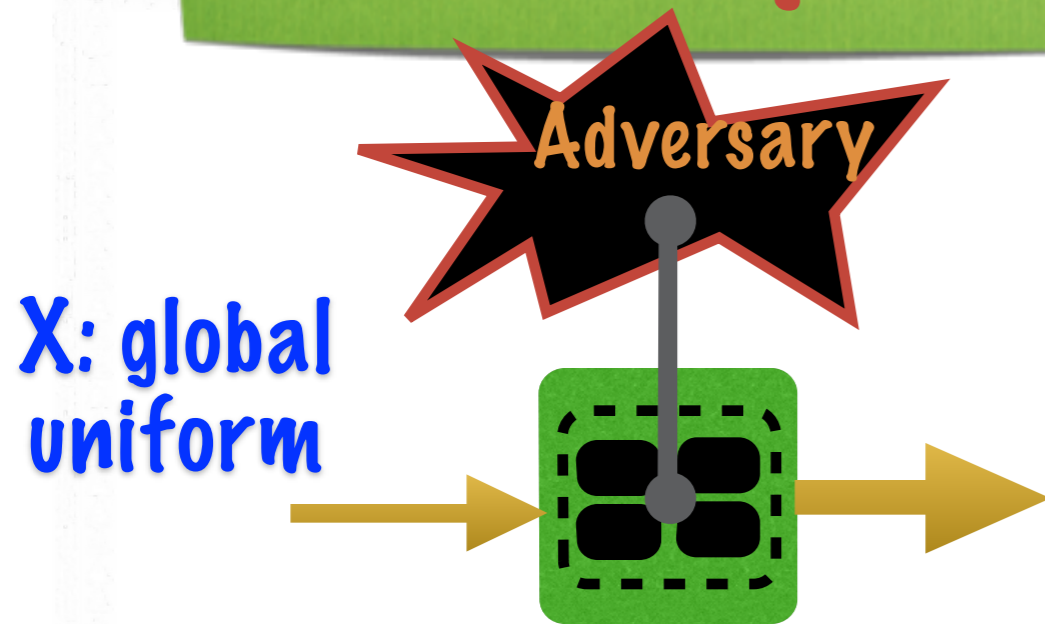


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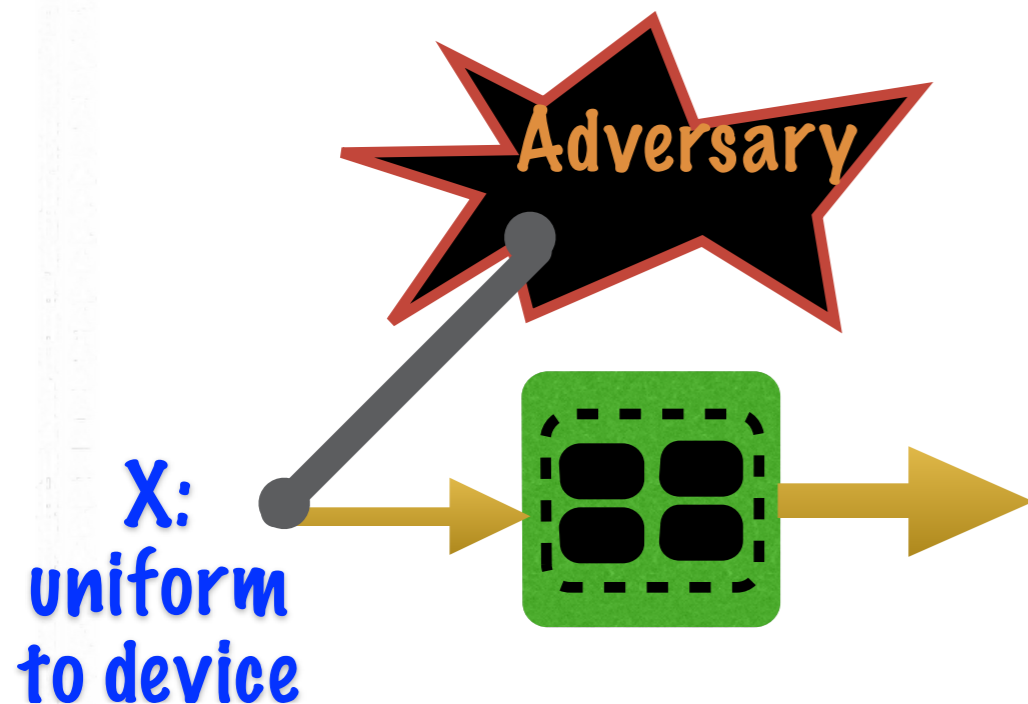
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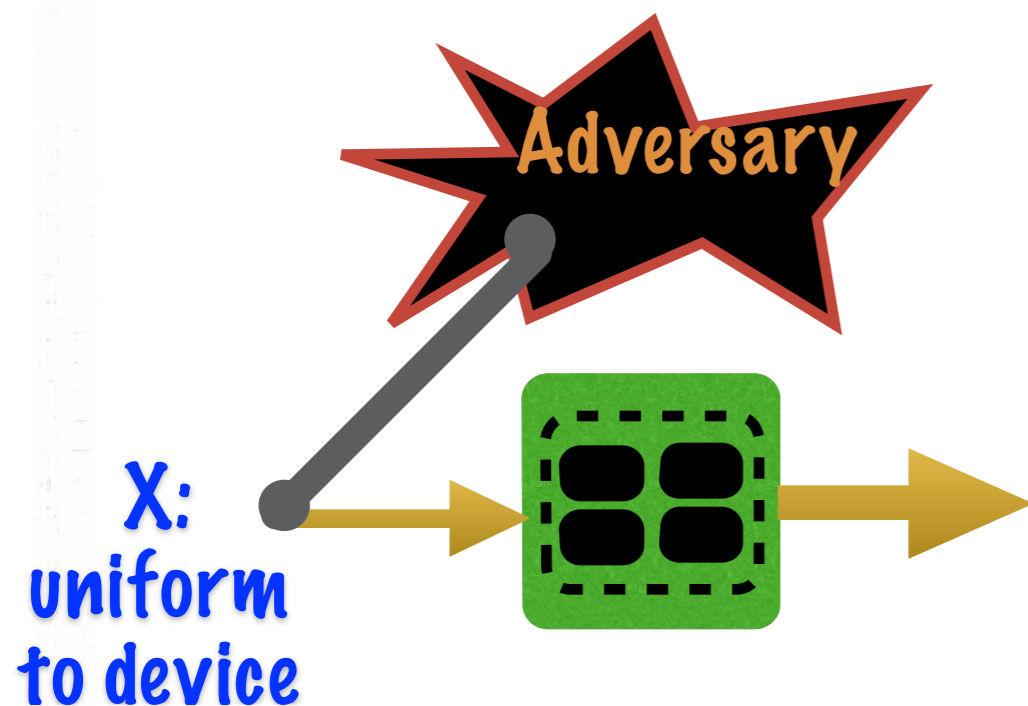
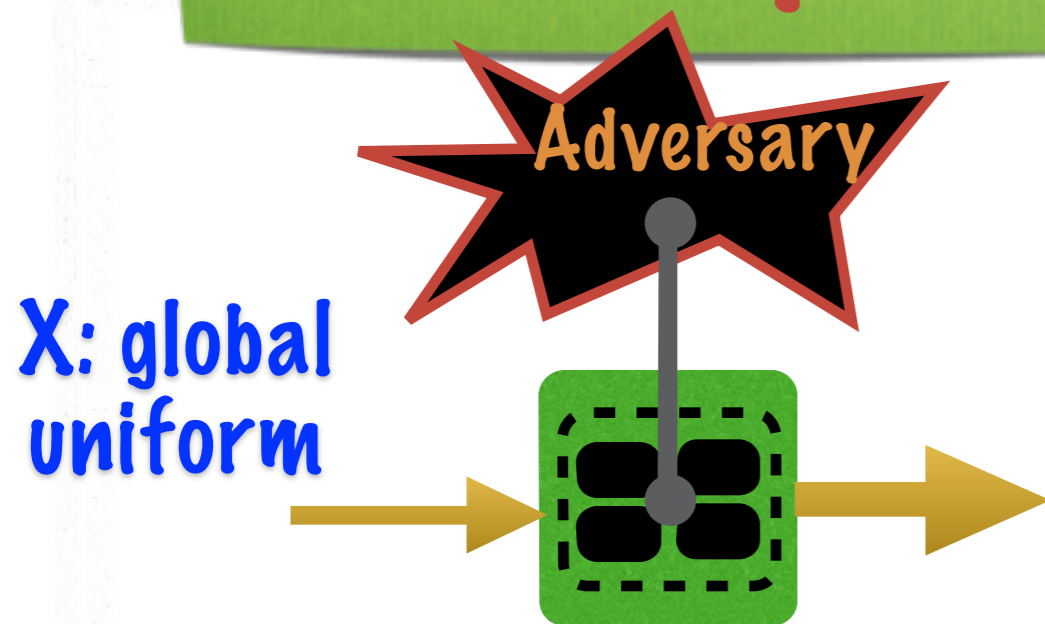
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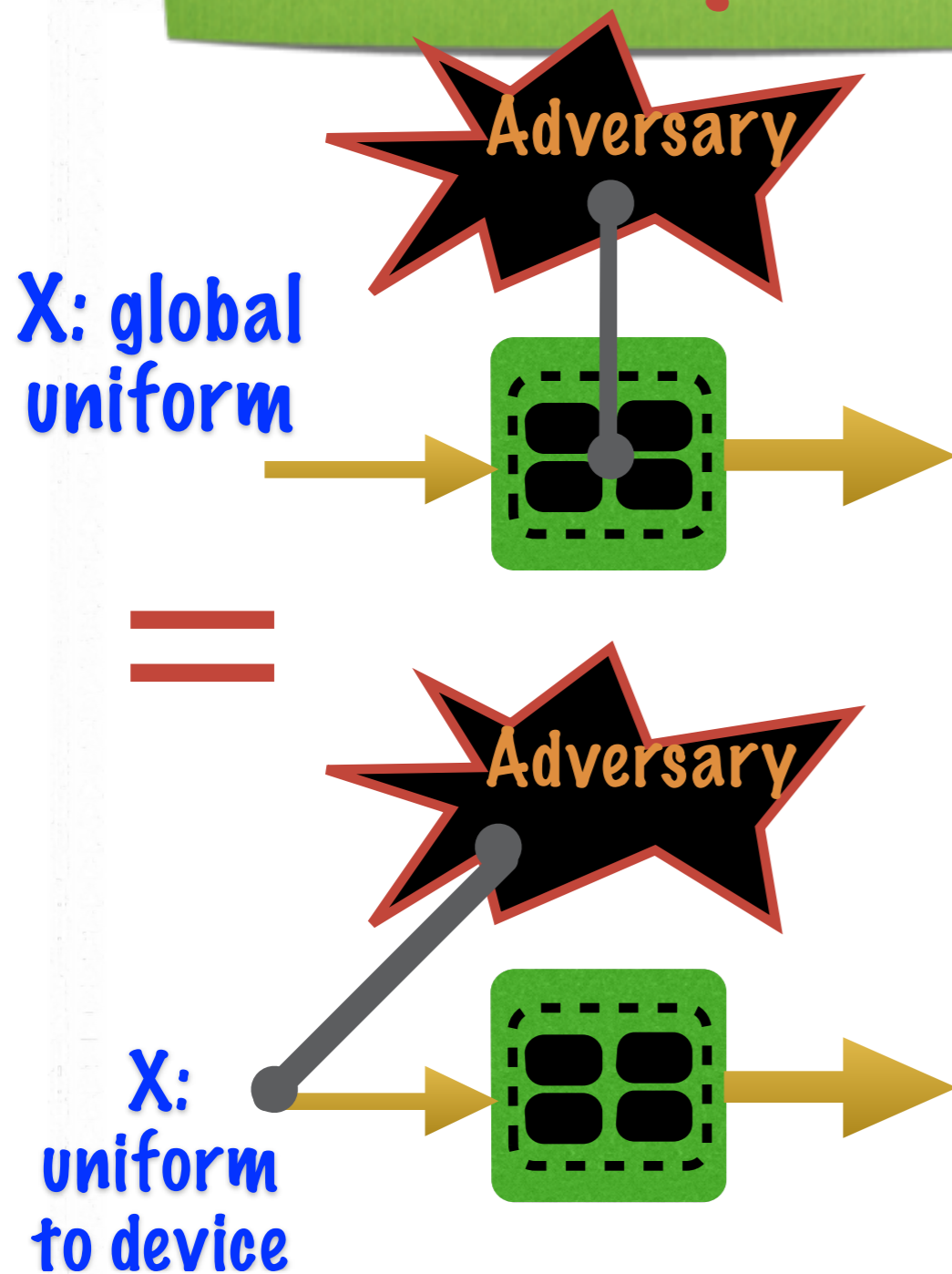
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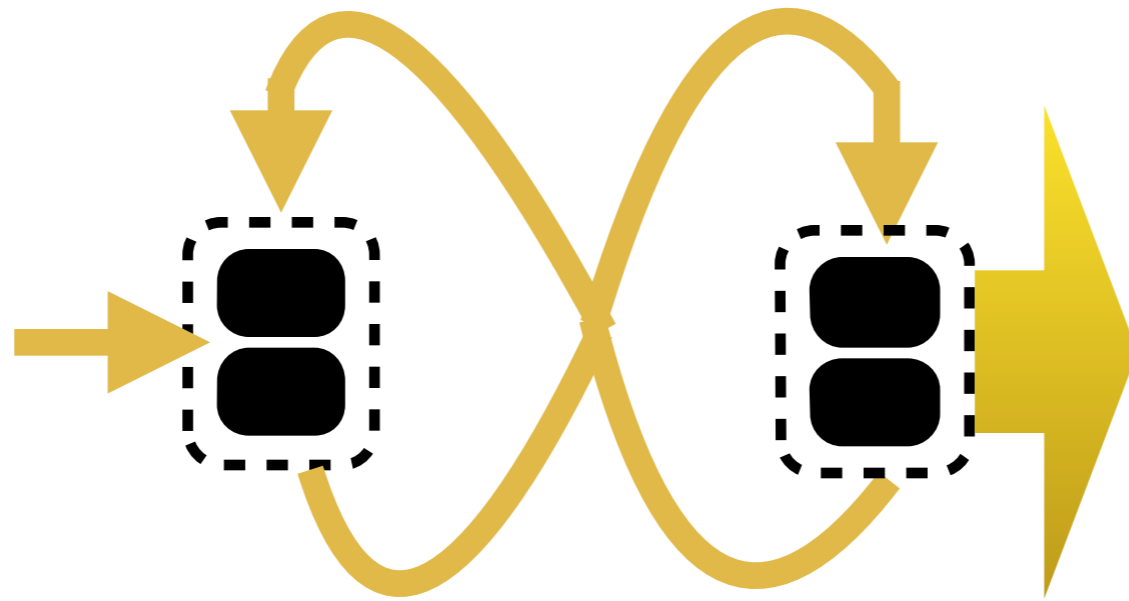
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