

DECISION PROCEDURE FOR TRACE EQUIVALENCE

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CONTEXT

■ Cryptographic protocols

Most communications take place over a **public network**



Cryptographic protocols

- small programs designed to secure communication (e.g. secrecy)
- use cryptographic primitives (e.g. encryption, signature)

It important to verify their security

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- Anonymity, Privacy, Receipt-Freeness, ...

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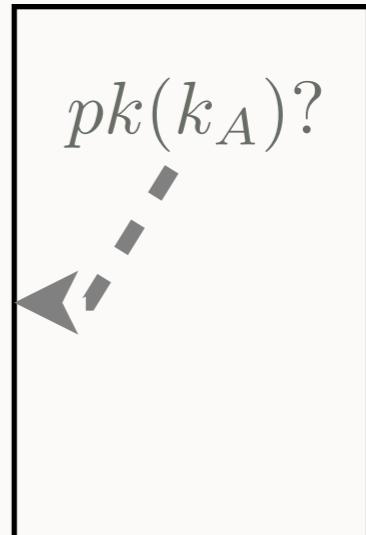
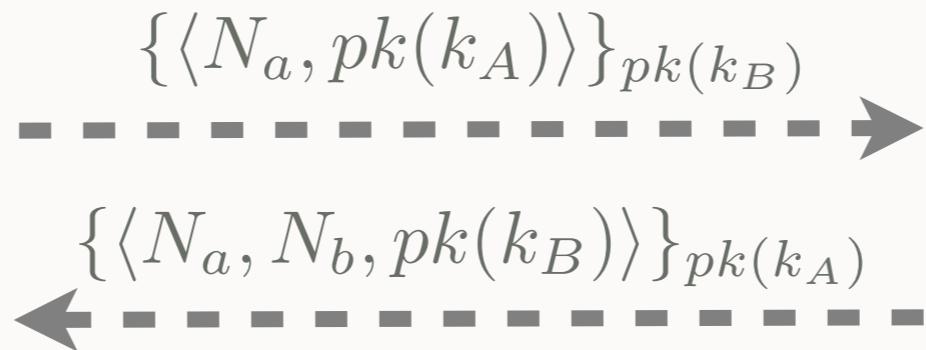
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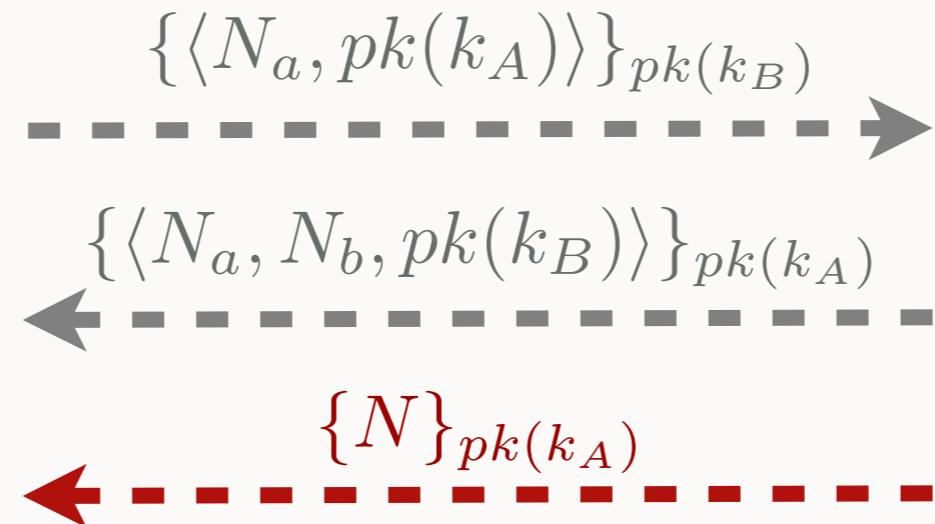
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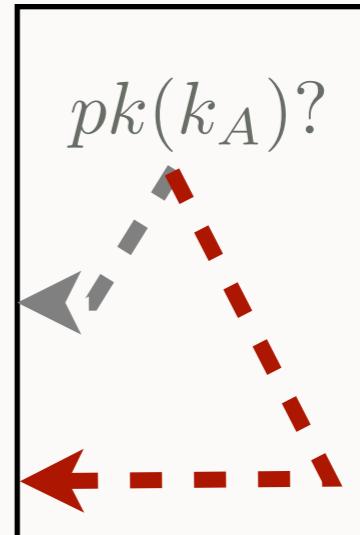
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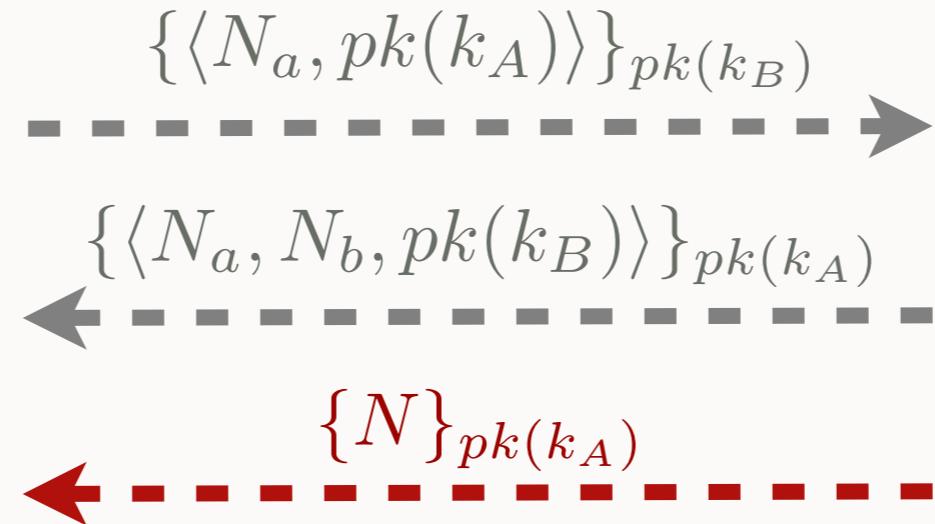
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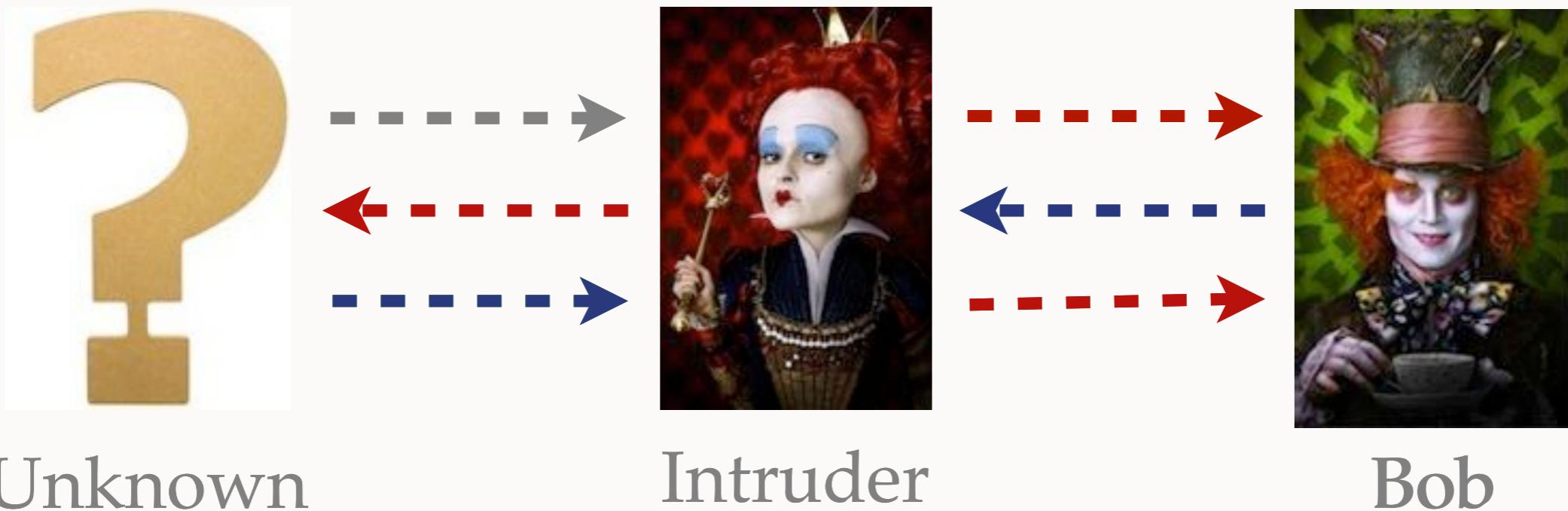


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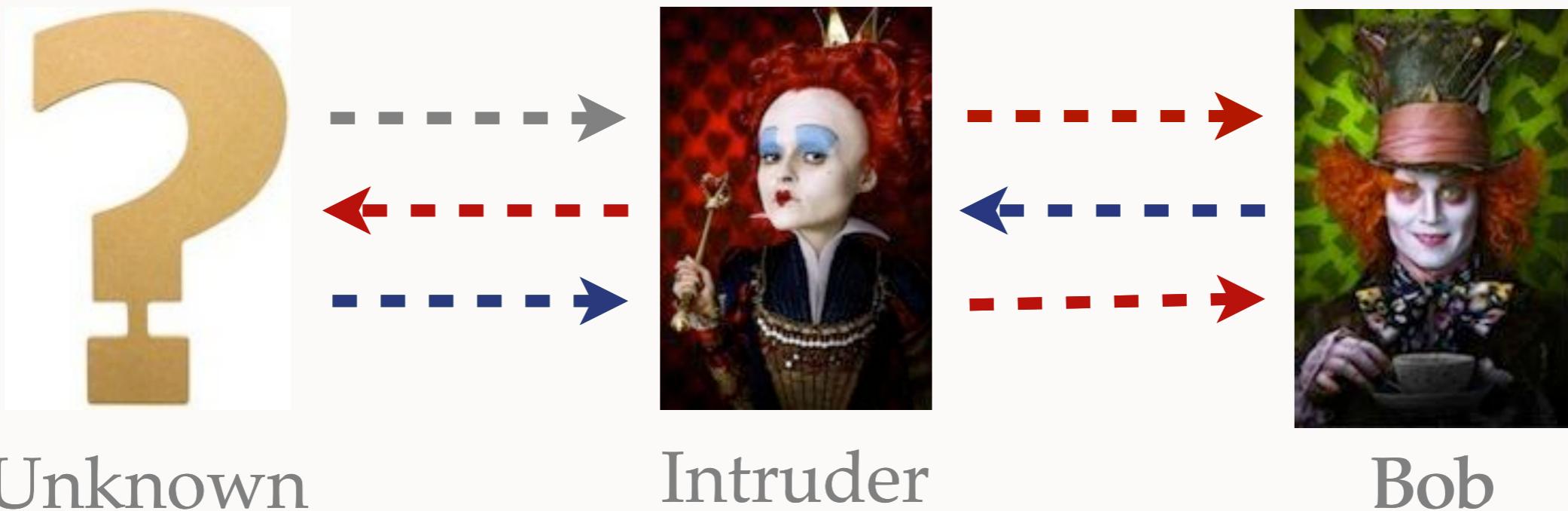
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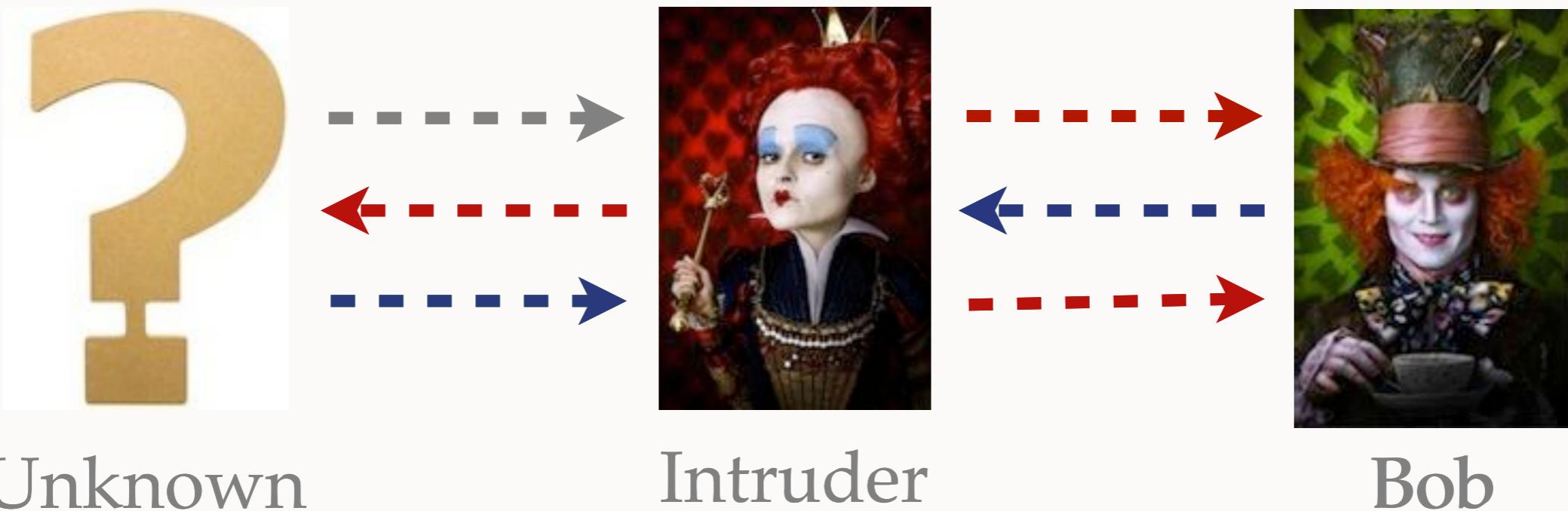
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Can the intruder deduce the unknown's identity ?

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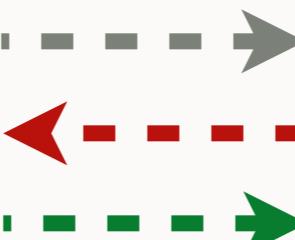
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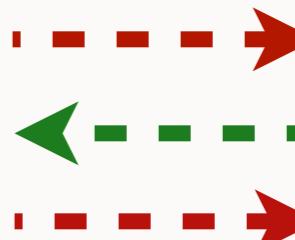
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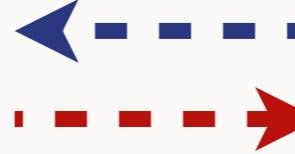
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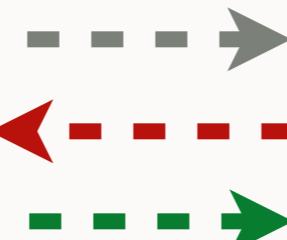
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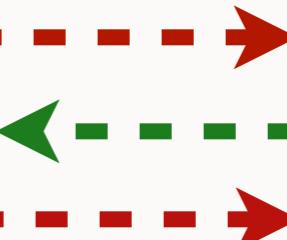
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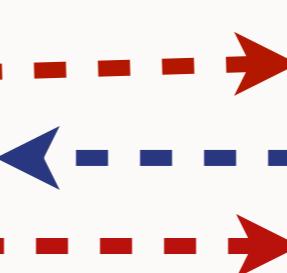
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Can the intruder distinguish the two situations ?

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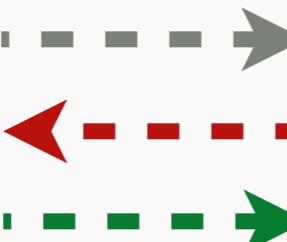
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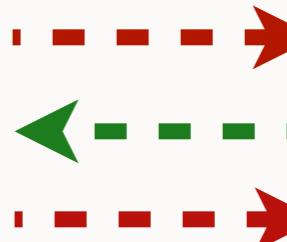
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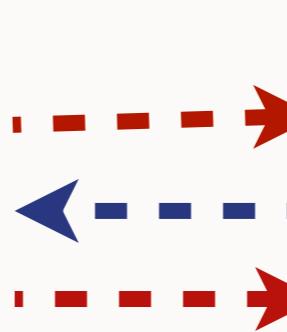
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Trace Equivalence

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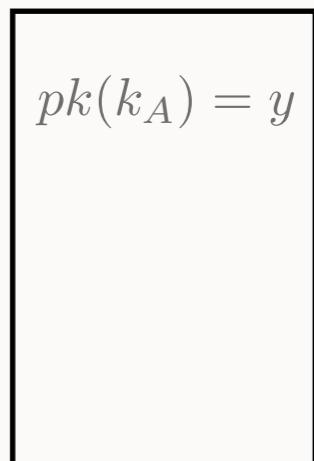
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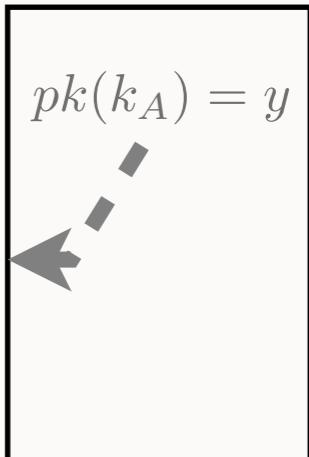
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$\{\langle x, N_b, pk(k_B) \rangle\}_y$



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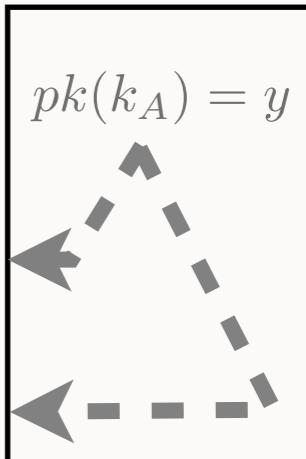
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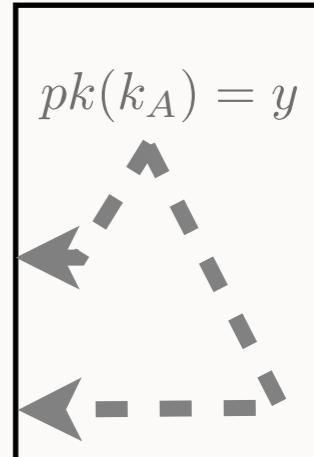
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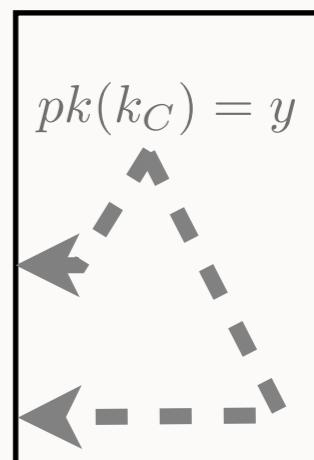
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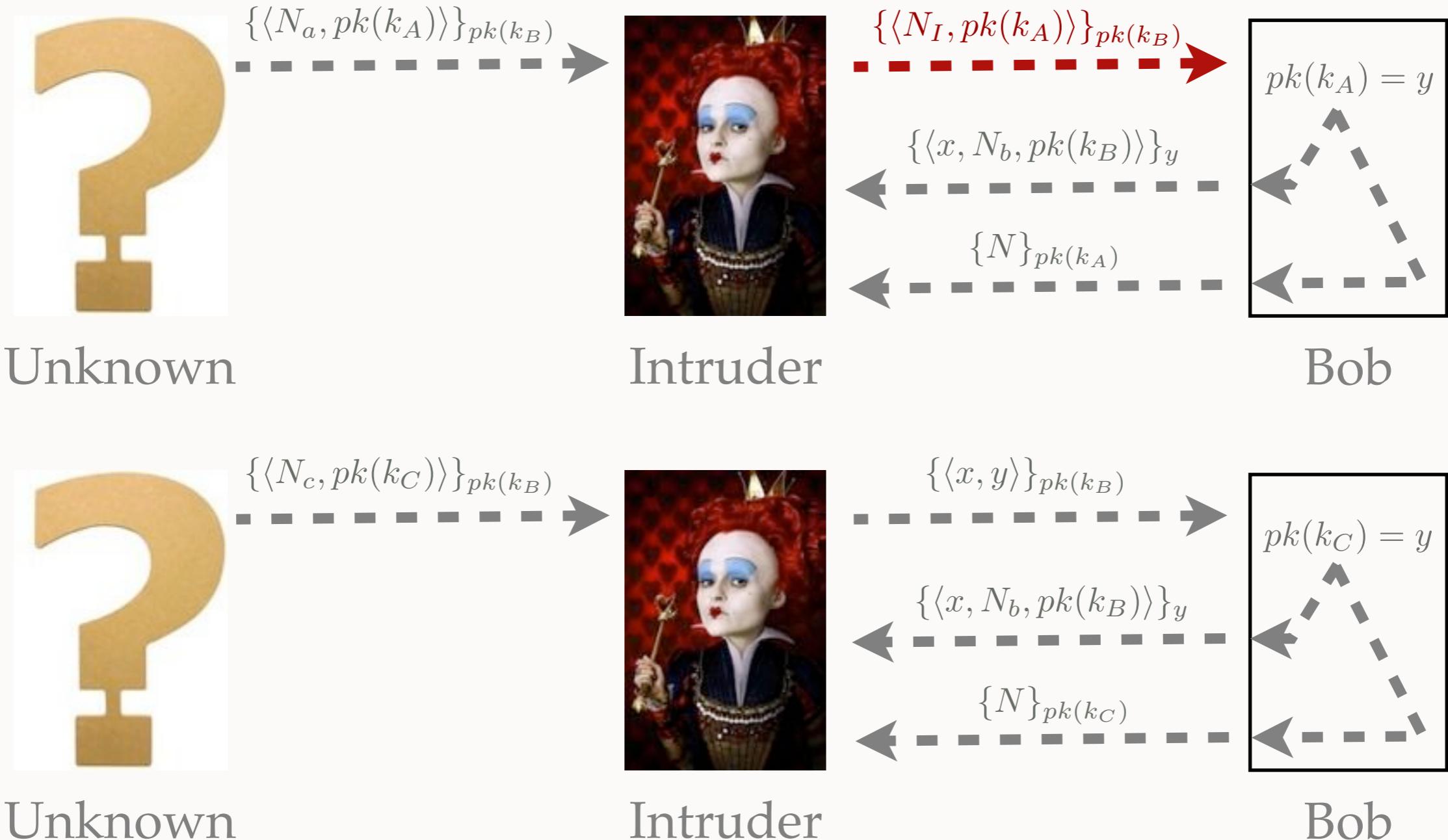
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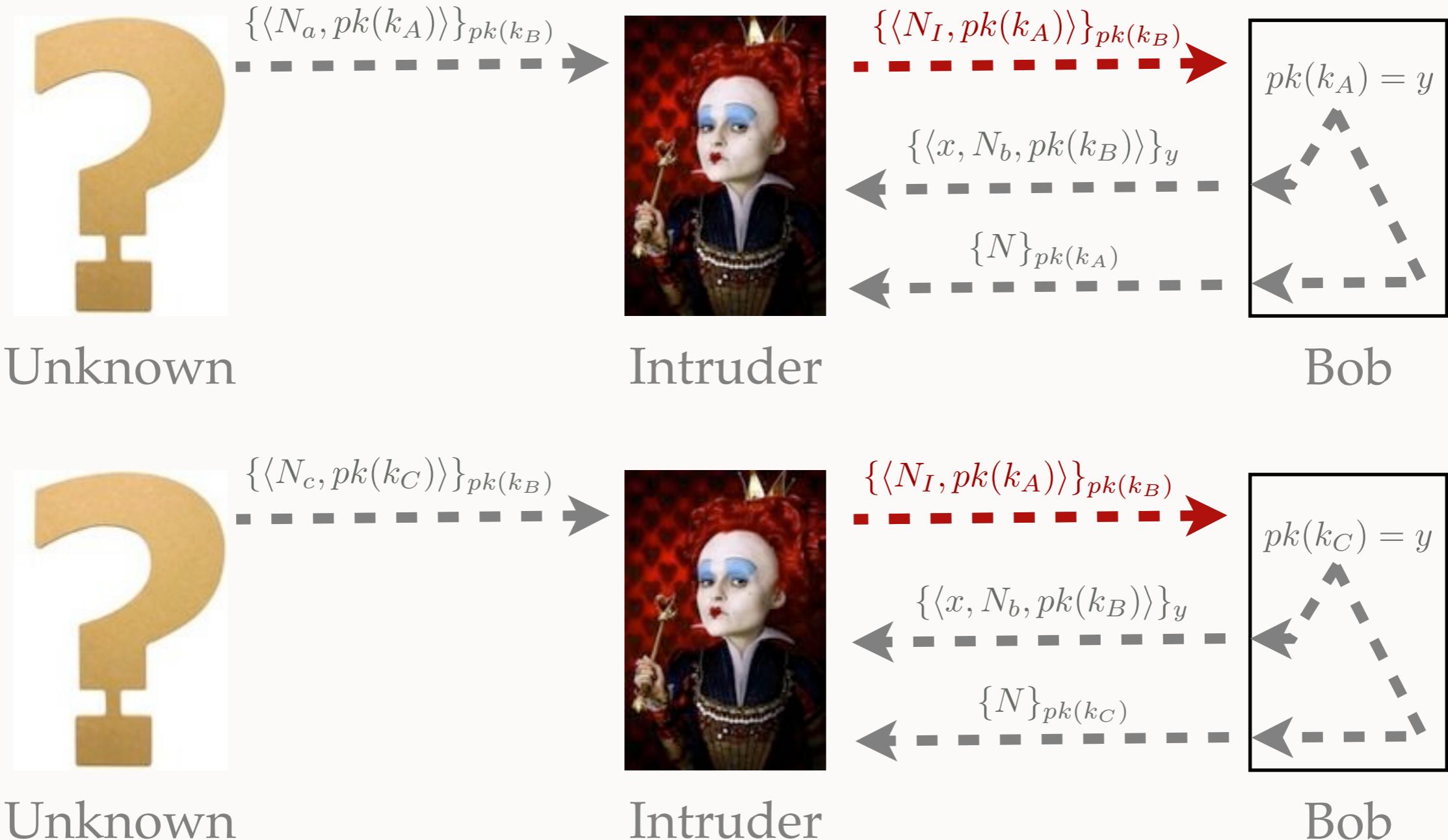
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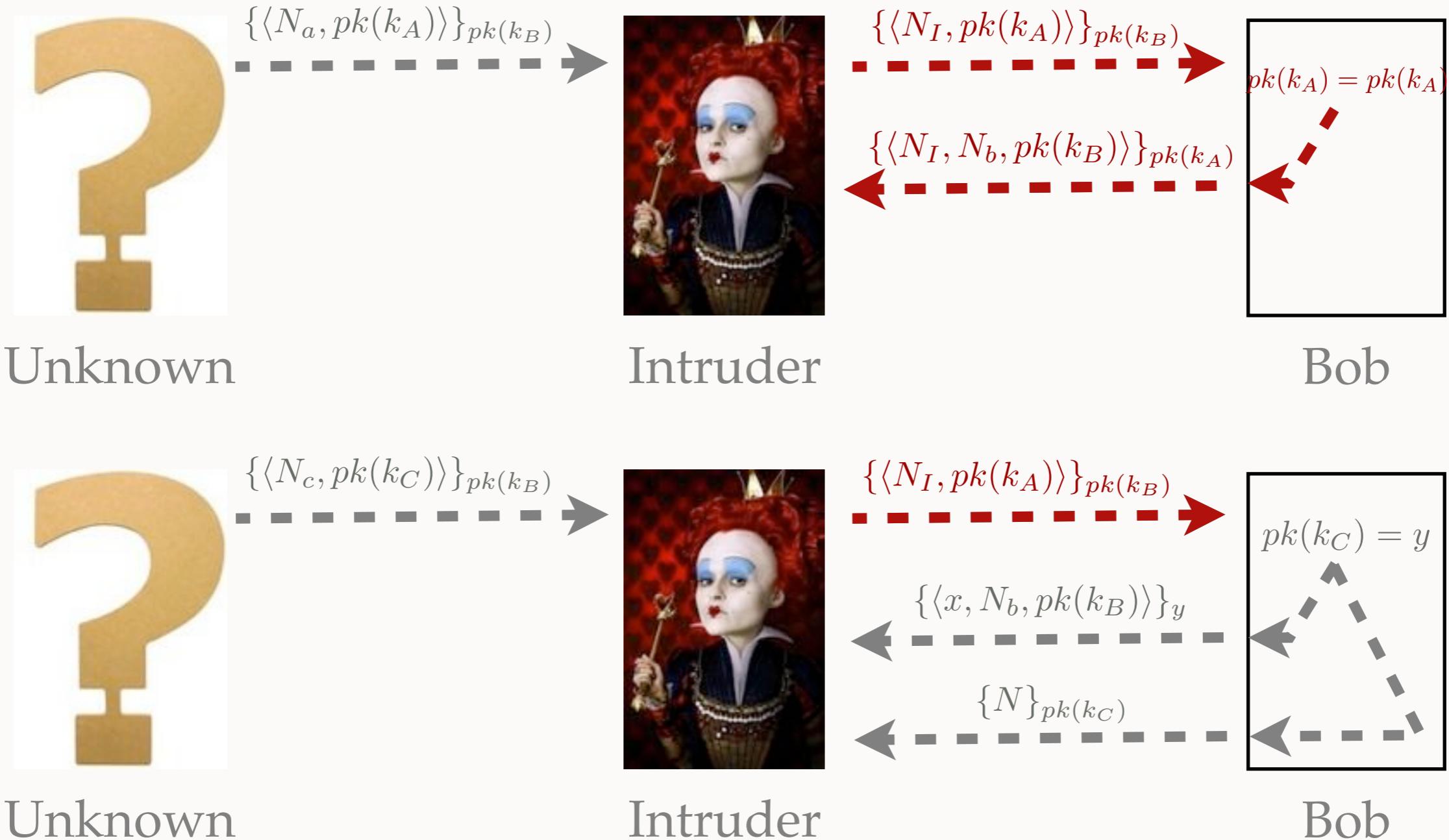
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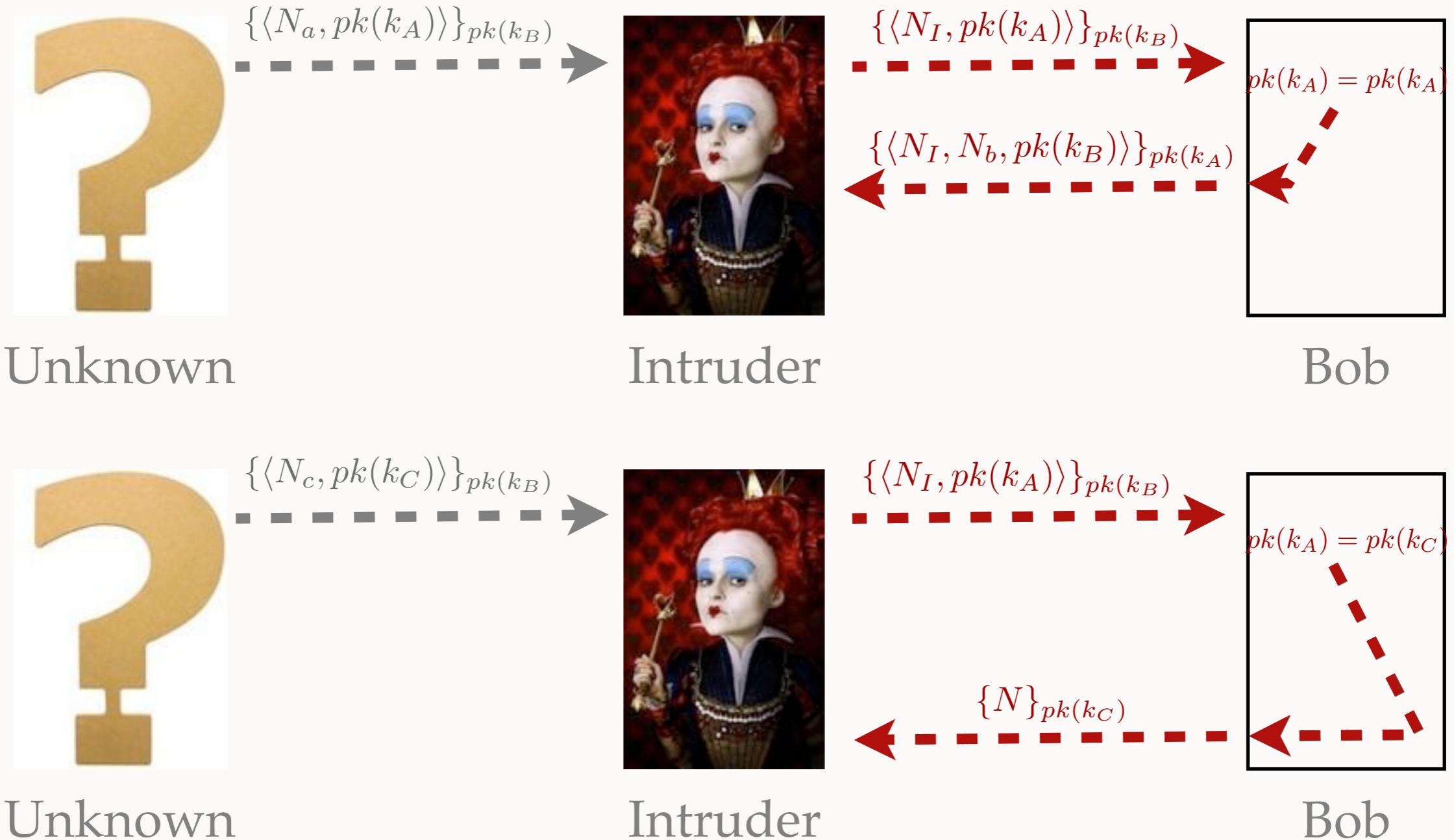
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PREVIOUS WORKS

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- M. Baudet. *Sécurité des protocoles cryptographiques : aspects logiques et calculatoires.* Phd thesis
- B. Blanchet, M. Abadi, and C. Fournet. *Automated verification of selected equivalences for security protocols.*
→ Tool : B. Blanchet, *ProVerif*

Trace equivalence for simple processes without else branches

- V. Cortier and S. Delaune. *A method for proving observational equivalence.*

CONTRIBUTION

Decision procedure for verification of trace equivalence

- Infinitely many traces are represented by symbolic constraint system
 - + Protocol possibly non-determinist and with non trivial else branches
 - + Private channels
 - Fixed set of cryptographic primitives : symmetric and asymmetric encryption, pairing and signature
 - Bounded number of sessions (no replication in the process algebra)

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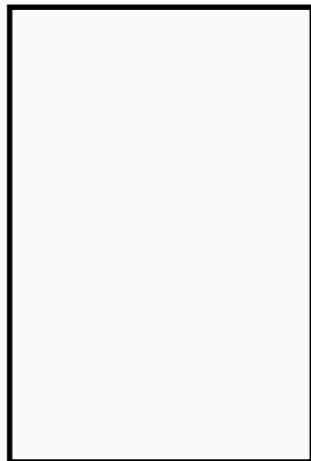
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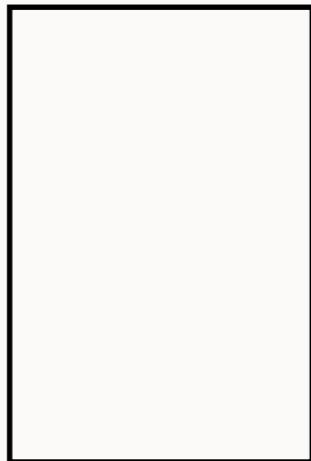
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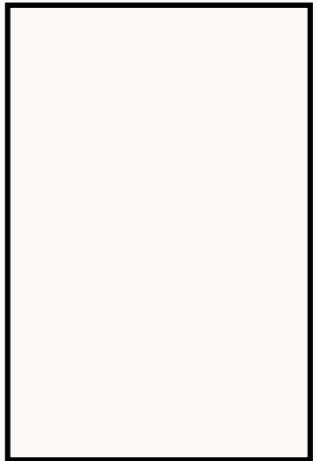


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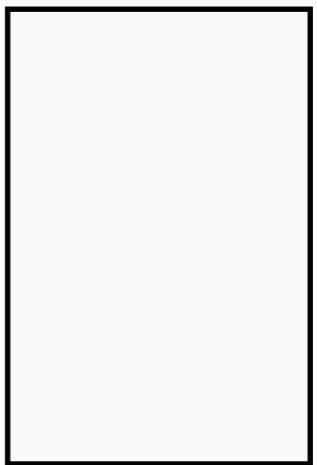
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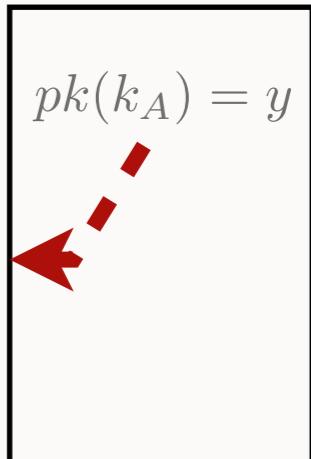
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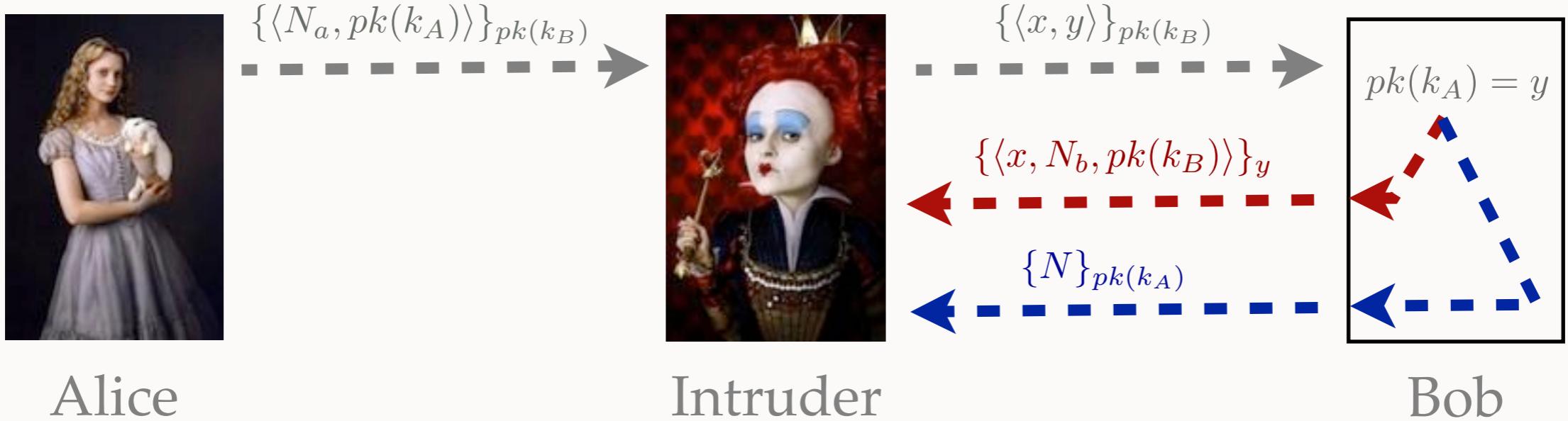
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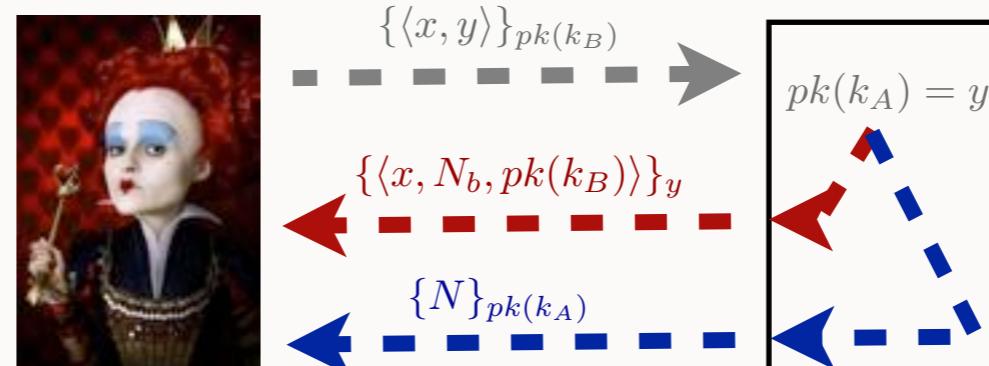
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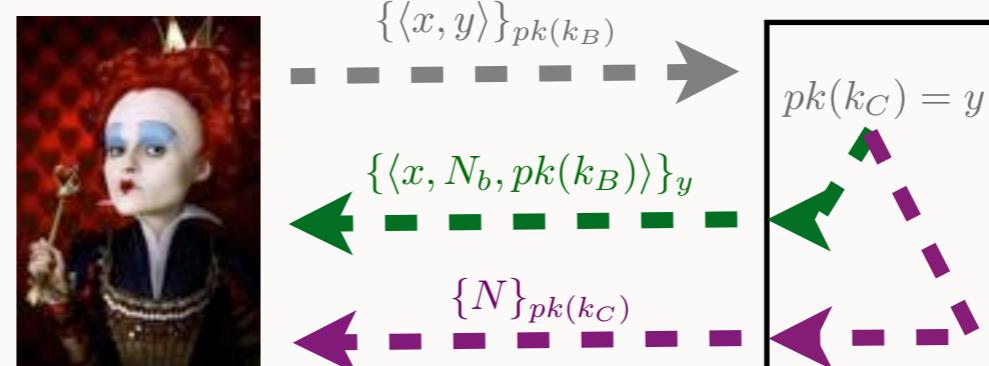
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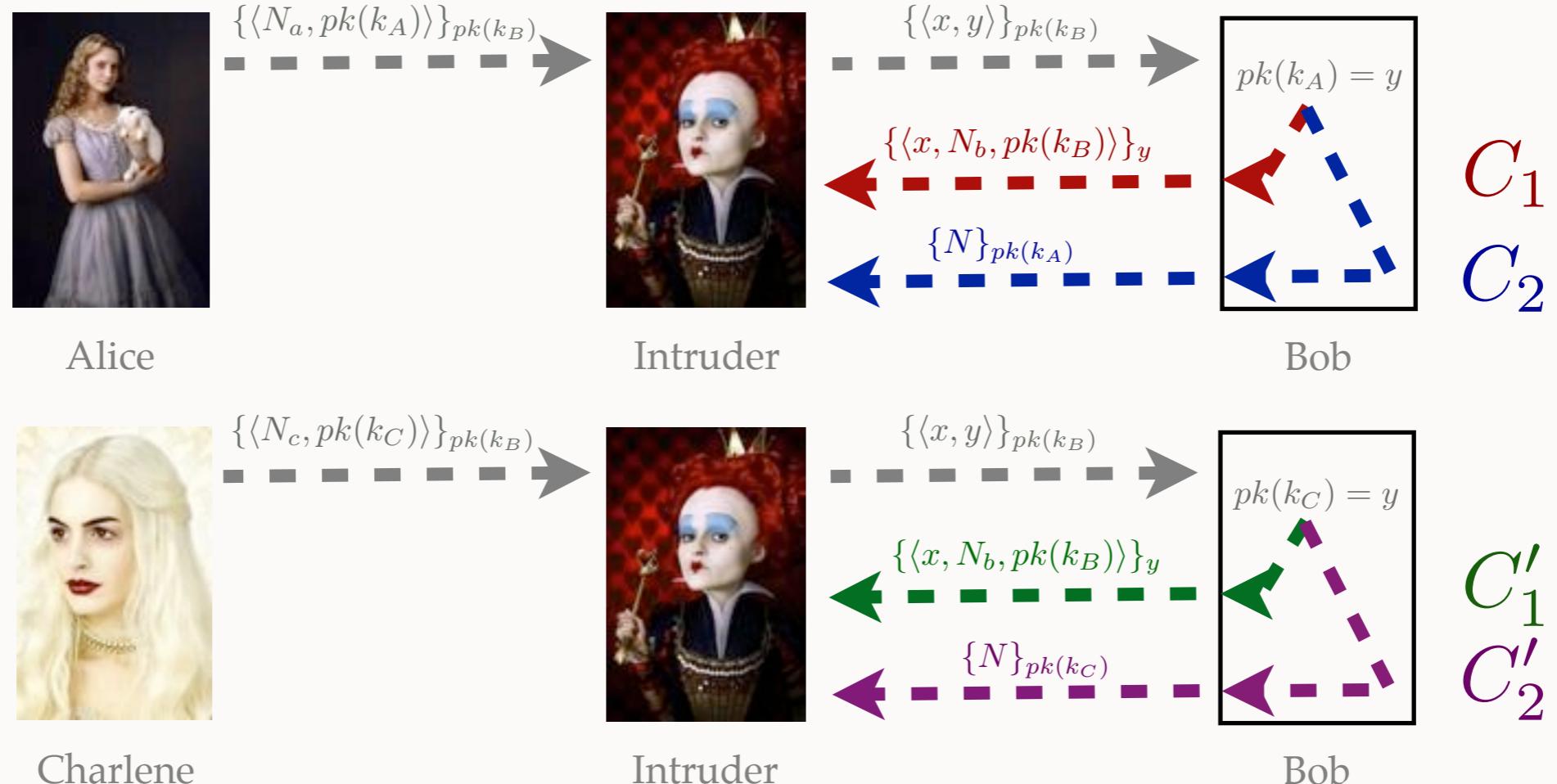


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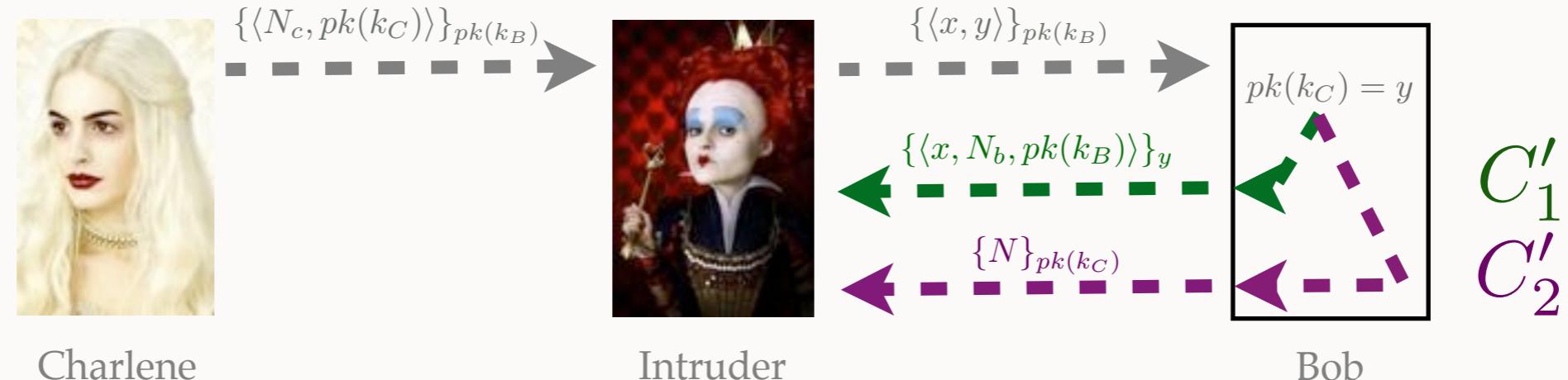
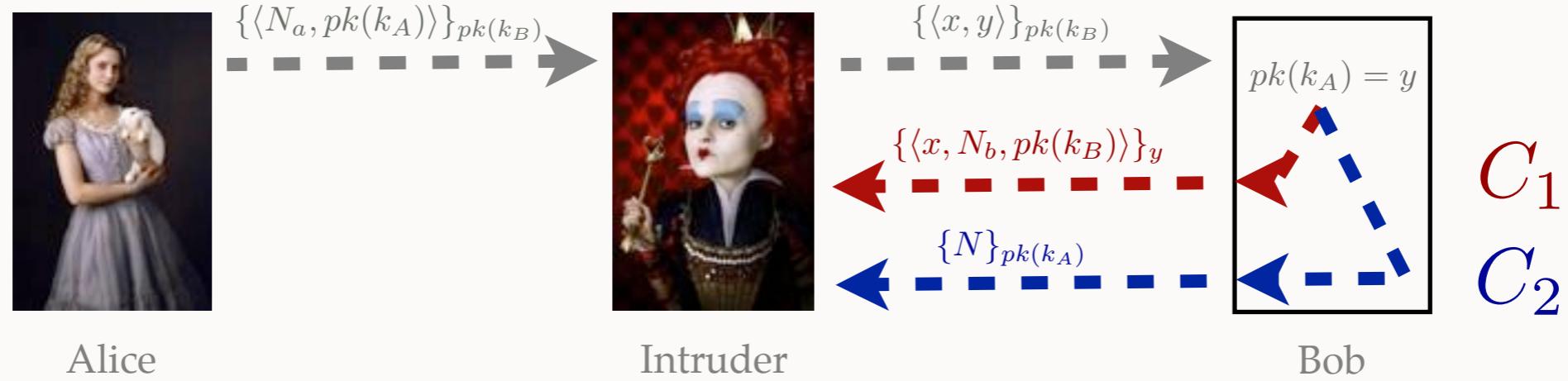
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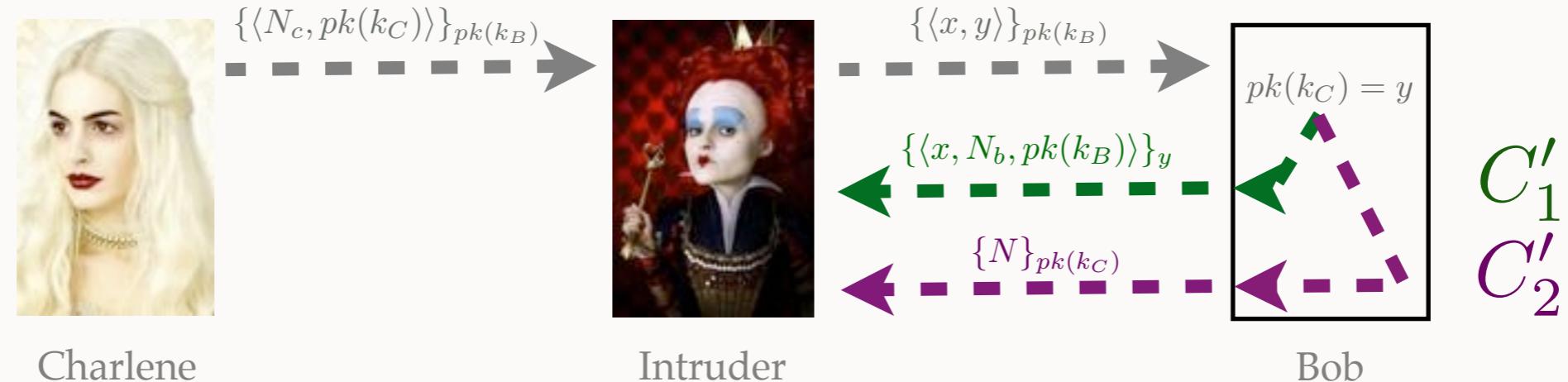
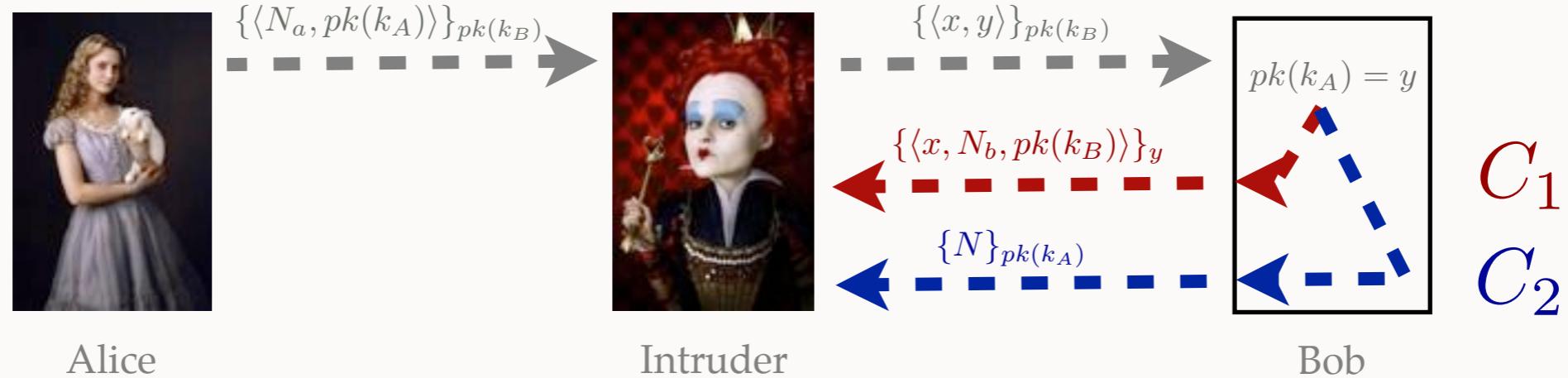
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$$\{C_1; C_2\} \approx \{C'_1; C'_2\}$$

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Symbolic equivalence between sets of constraint systems

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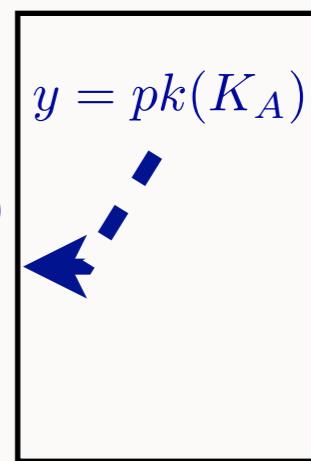


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$$\{\langle N_c, pk(k_C) \rangle\}_{pk(k_B)}$$

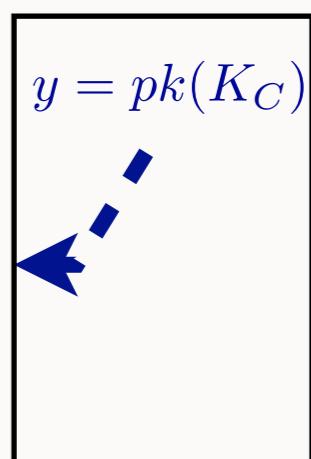


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C'_1
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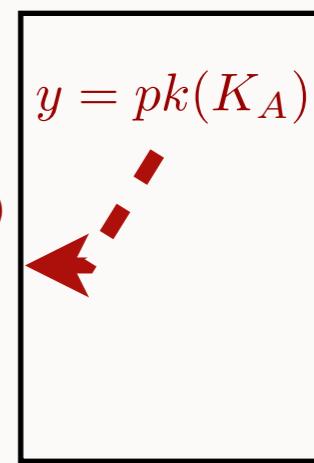
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Intruder

$$\{\langle N_I, pk(k_A) \rangle\}_{pk(k_B)}$$

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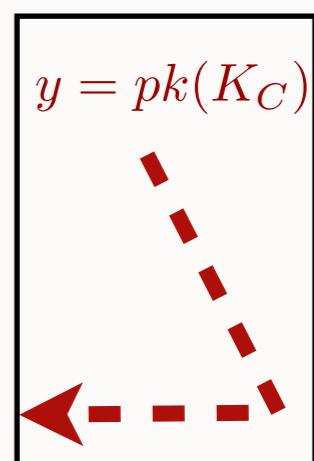
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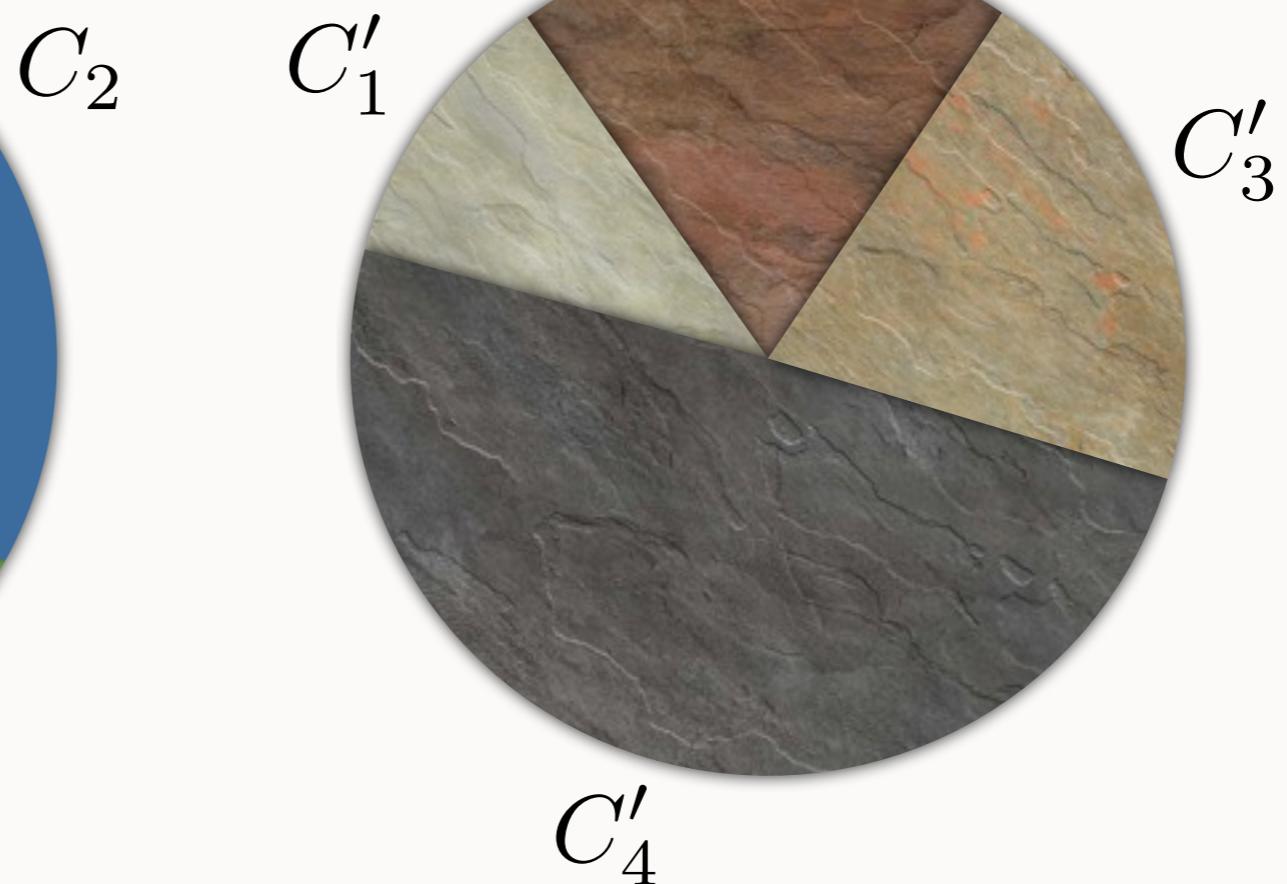
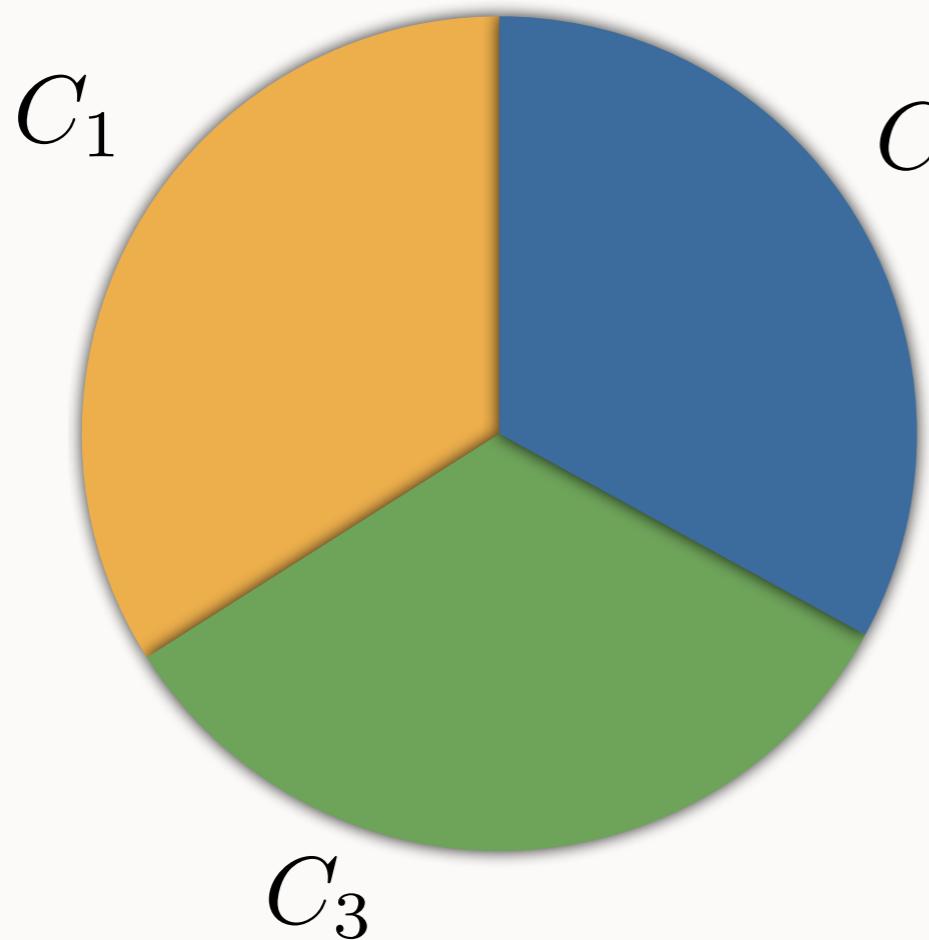


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$$S = \{C_1; C_2; C_3\}$$

$$S' = \{C'_1; C'_2; C'_3; C'_4\}$$

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■ Previous works on constraint system

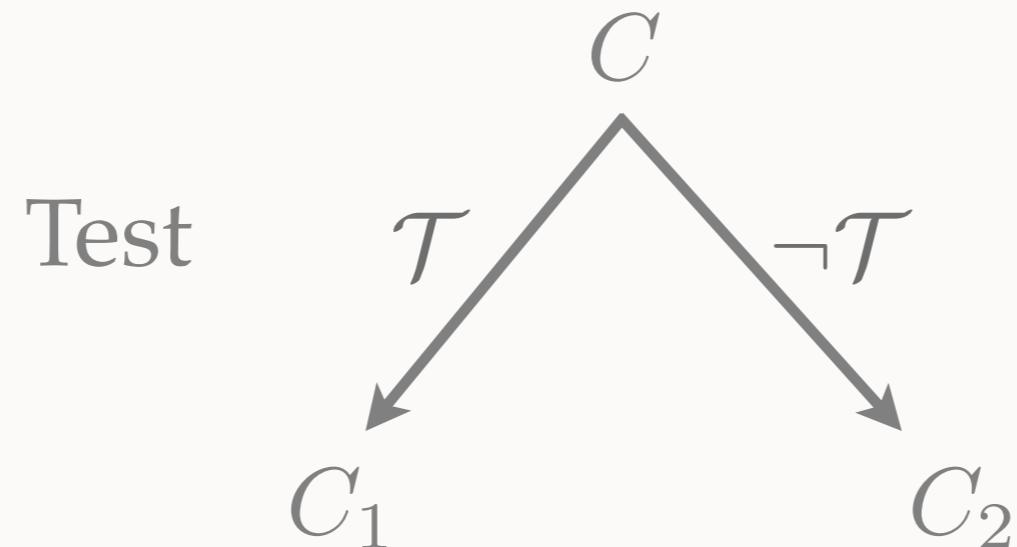
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Focus on :

- symbolic equivalence between two constraint systems (All)
- positive constraint system (no disequations) (All)
- subterm convergent equational theory (1,2 & 3)
- more restricted equational theory (4 & 5)

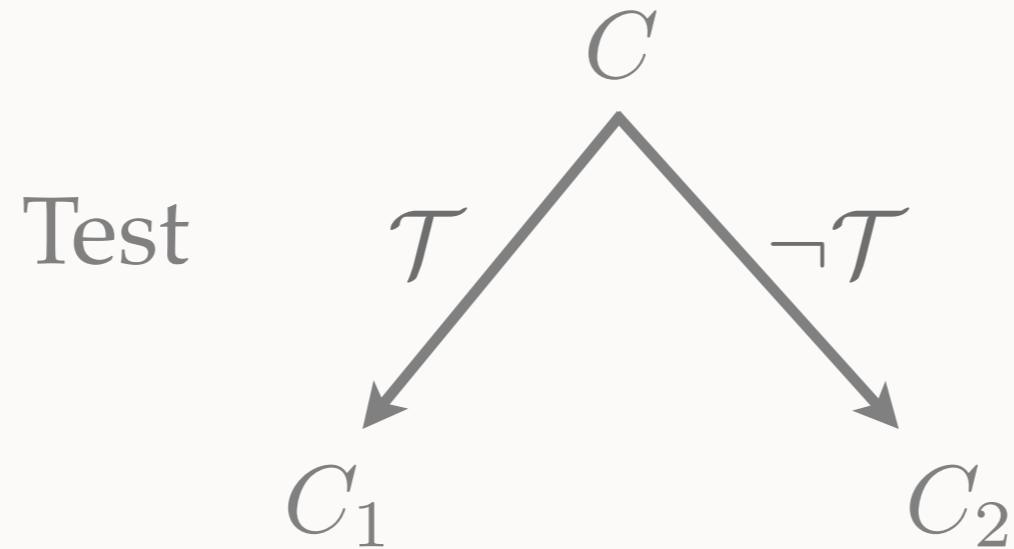
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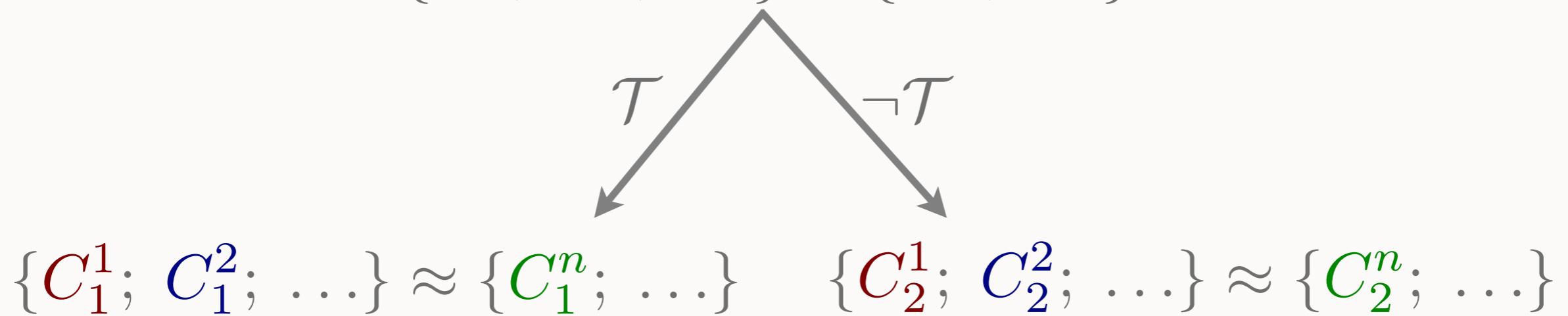
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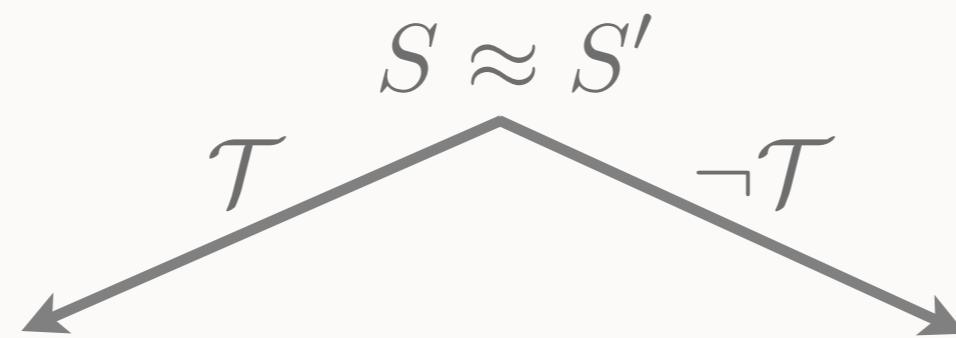
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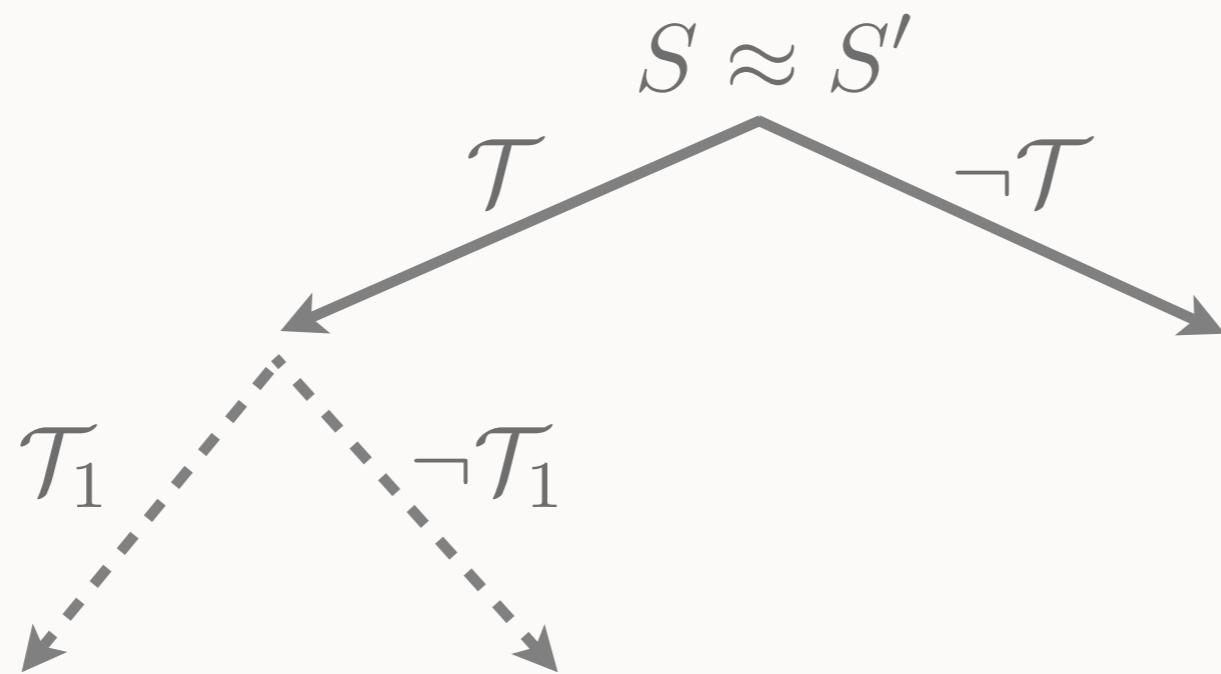
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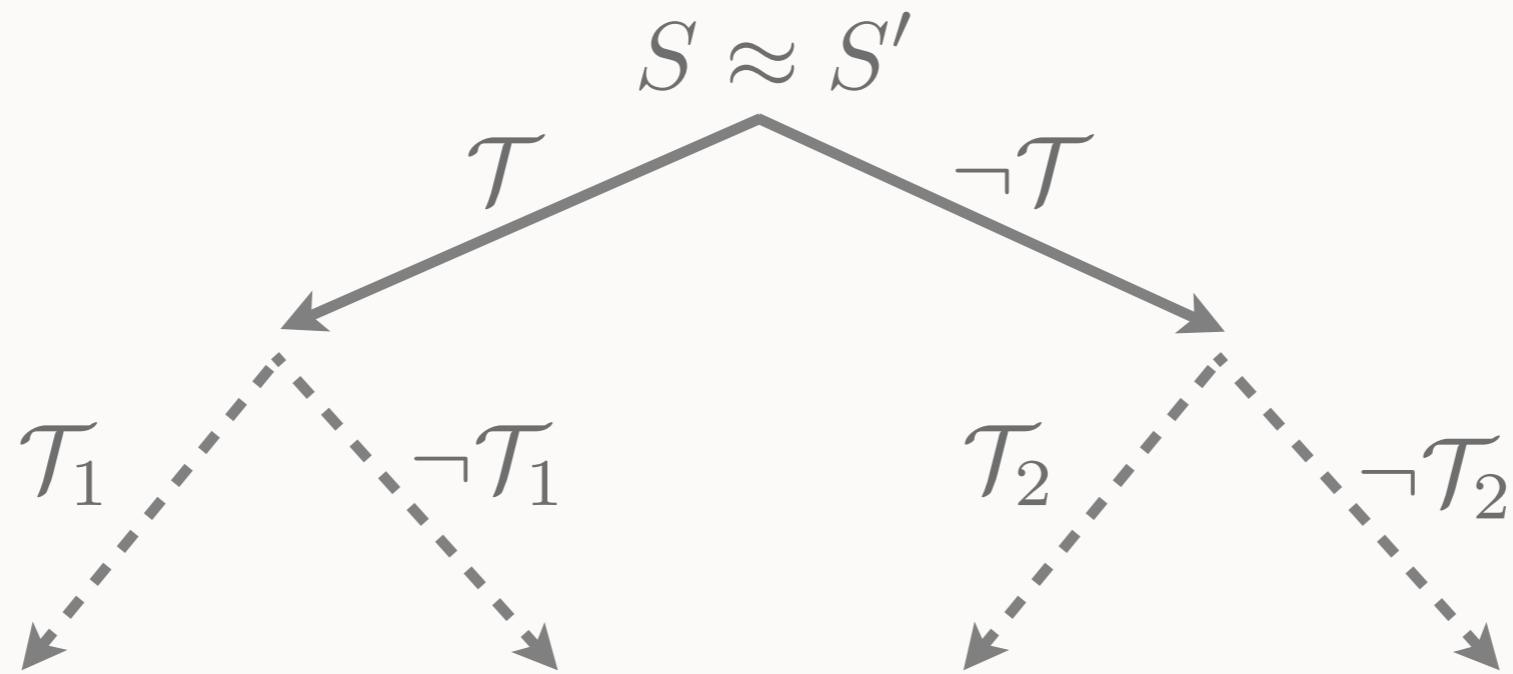
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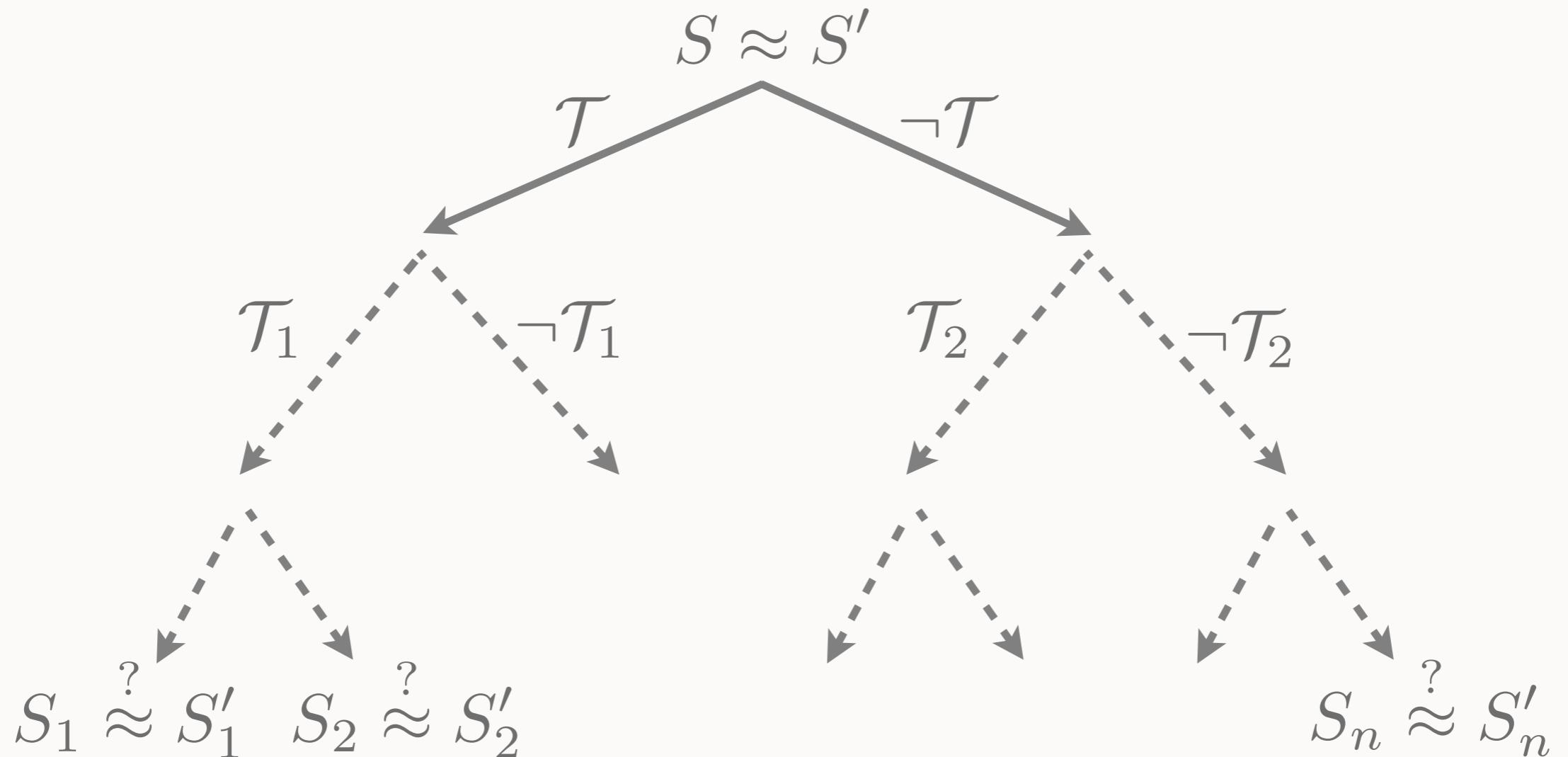
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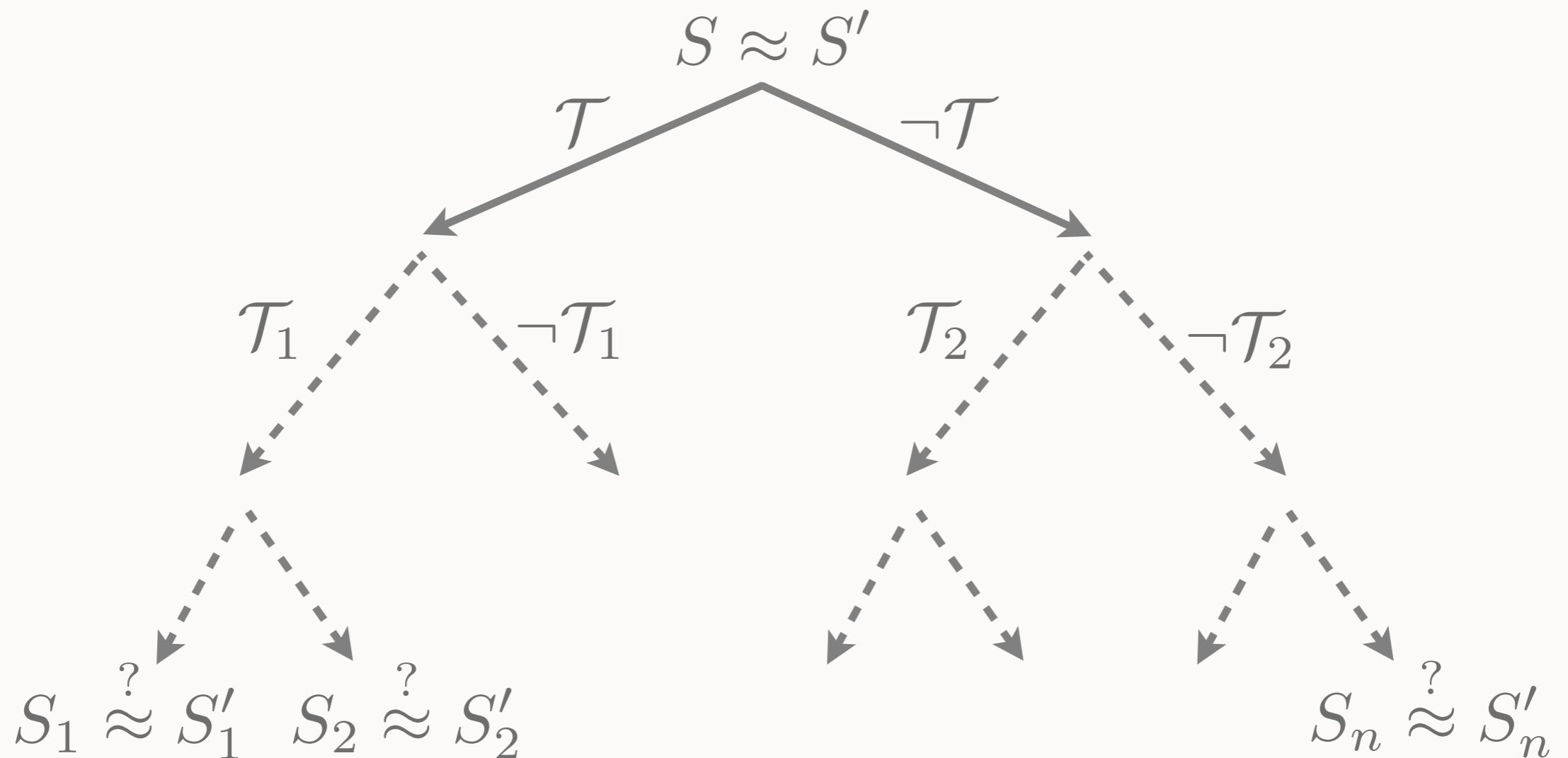
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The application of the rules creates a binary tree where each node is a pair of sets of constraint systems

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The symbolic equivalence is syntactically decided on each leaf

THE ALGORITHM

■ The solved form difficulties

- Existence of solutions (Reachability)

$$\boxed{m_1, \dots, m_n \vdash x}$$
$$m_1, \dots, m_n, \dots, m_{n'} \vdash y$$

- Matching solutions (including disequations)

$$\boxed{a, b \vdash x}$$
$$a, b, c \vdash y$$
$$x \neq y$$

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$$x \neq f(y)$$

- Static equivalence

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The strategy terminates

FUTURE WORK

■ Contribution

Decision procedure for trace equivalence

- Infinitely many traces are represented by symbolic constraint system
 - + Protocol possibly non-determinist and with non trivial else branches
 - + Private channels
- Fixed set of cryptographic primitives : symmetric and asymmetric encryption, pairing and signature
- Bounded number of sessions (no replication in the process algebra)

■ Future work

- Experiment shows that the implementation is not efficient enough
- More cryptographic primitives
- Link with ProVerif

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$$a, b \vdash x_1$$

$$D : a, b \vdash x_2$$

$$a, b \vdash y$$

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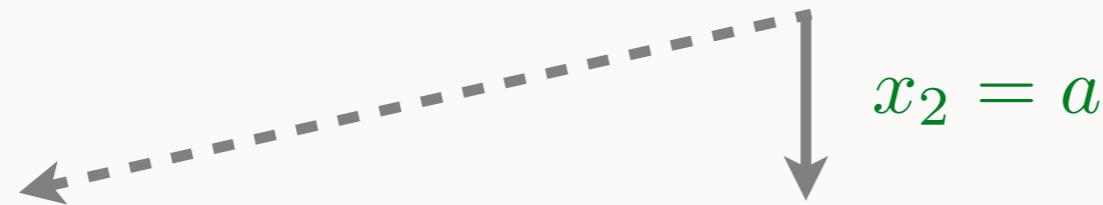
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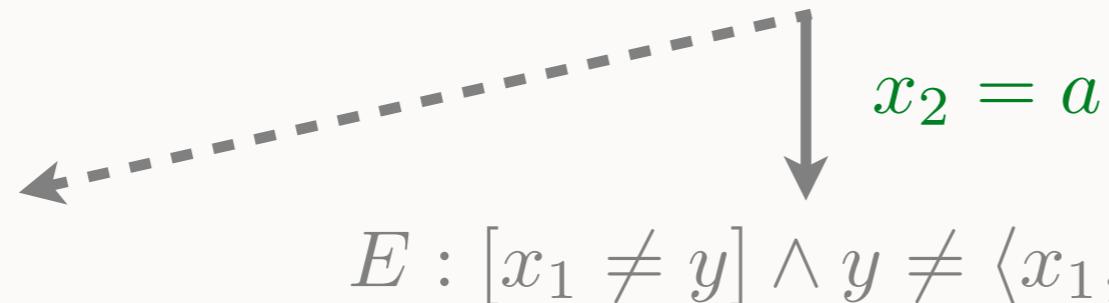
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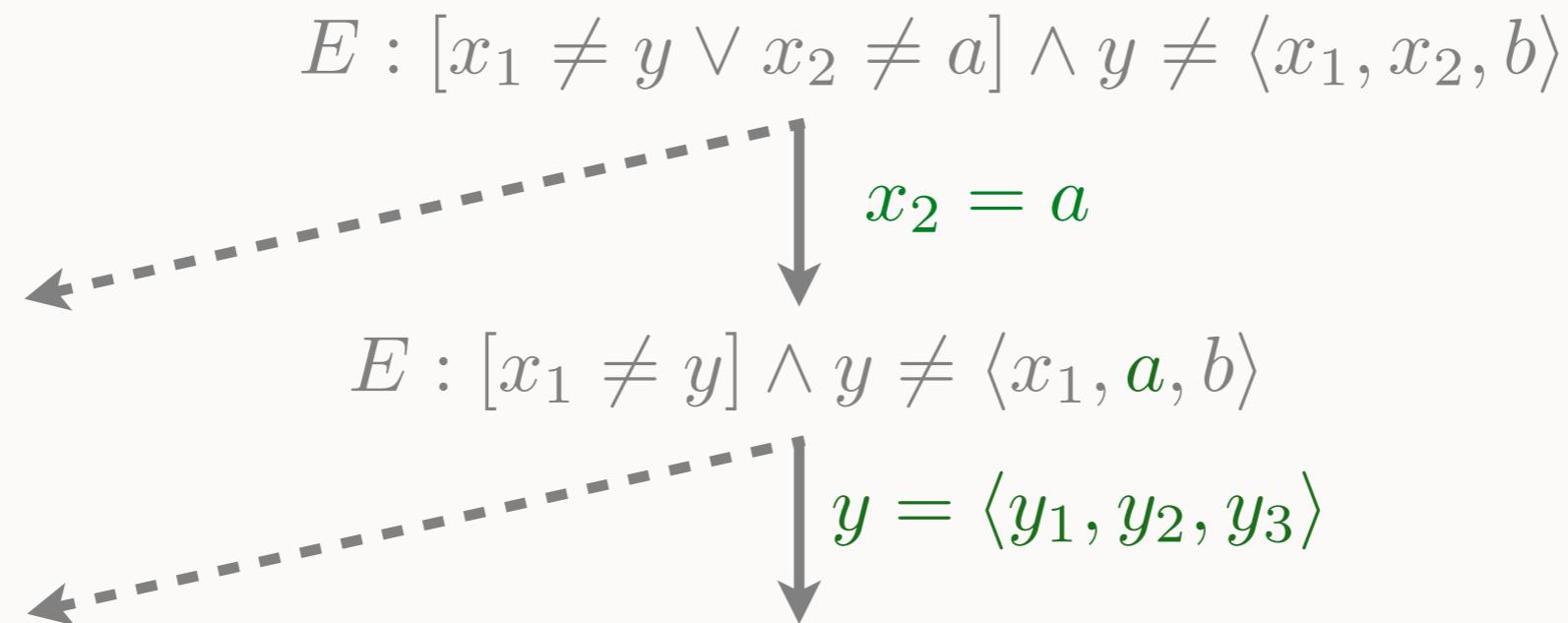
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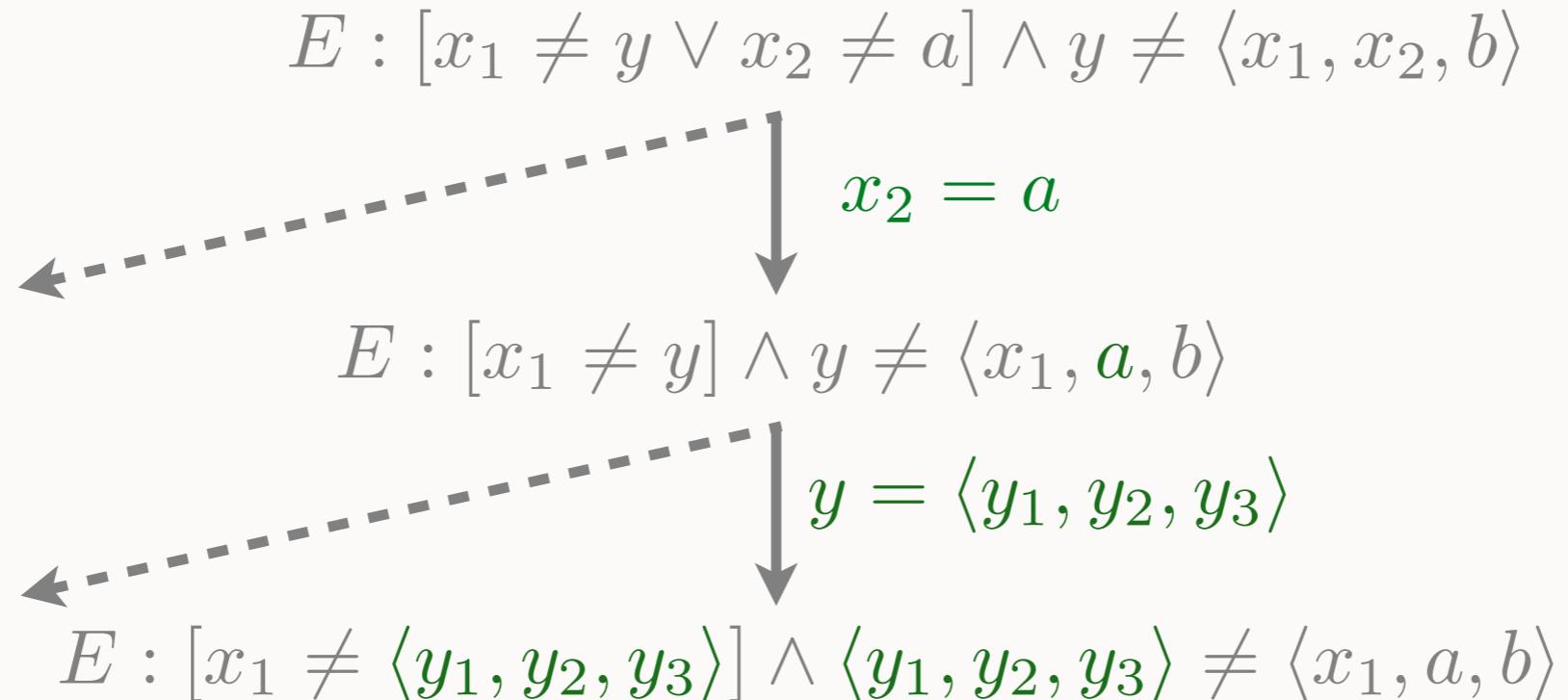
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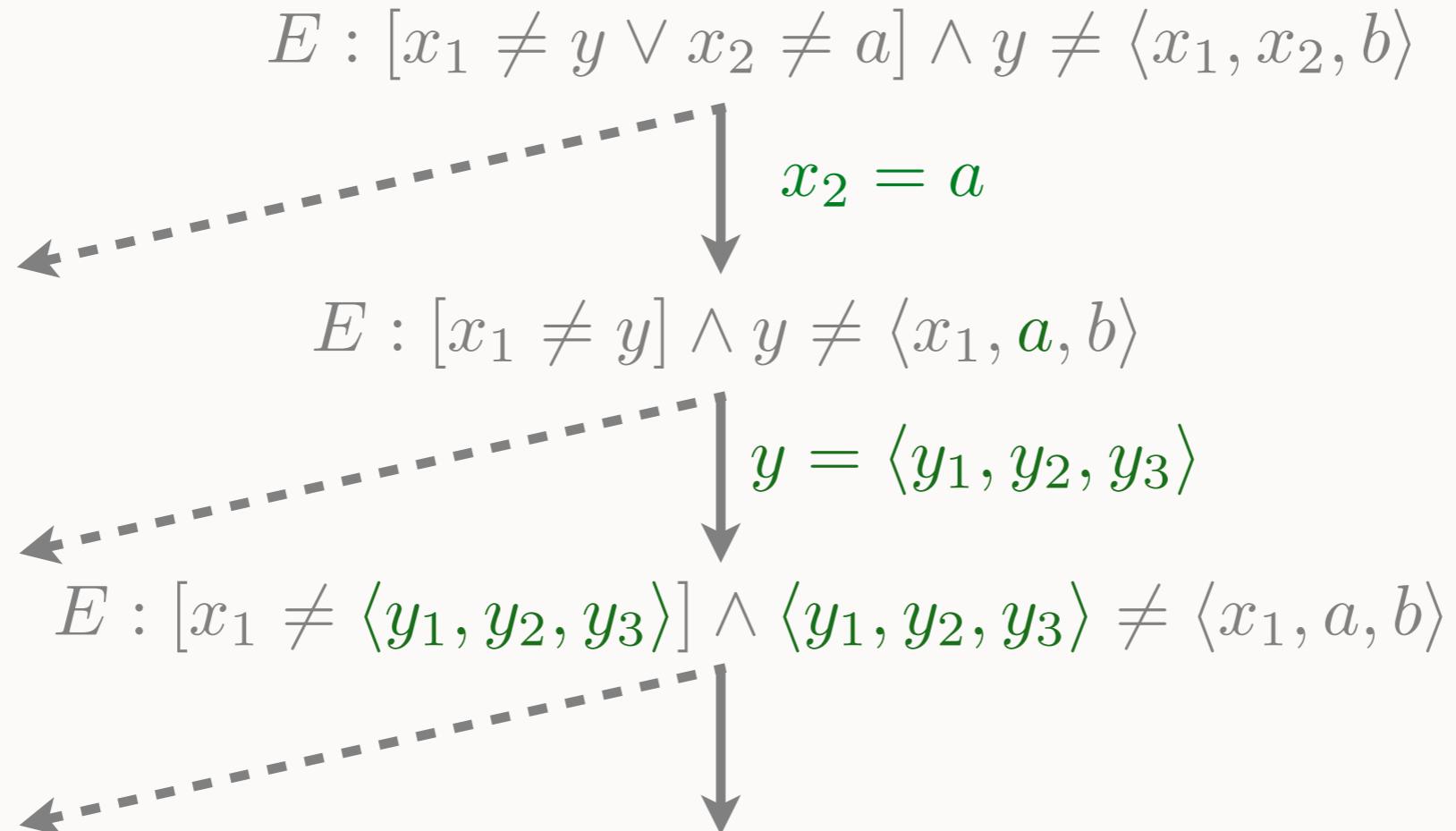
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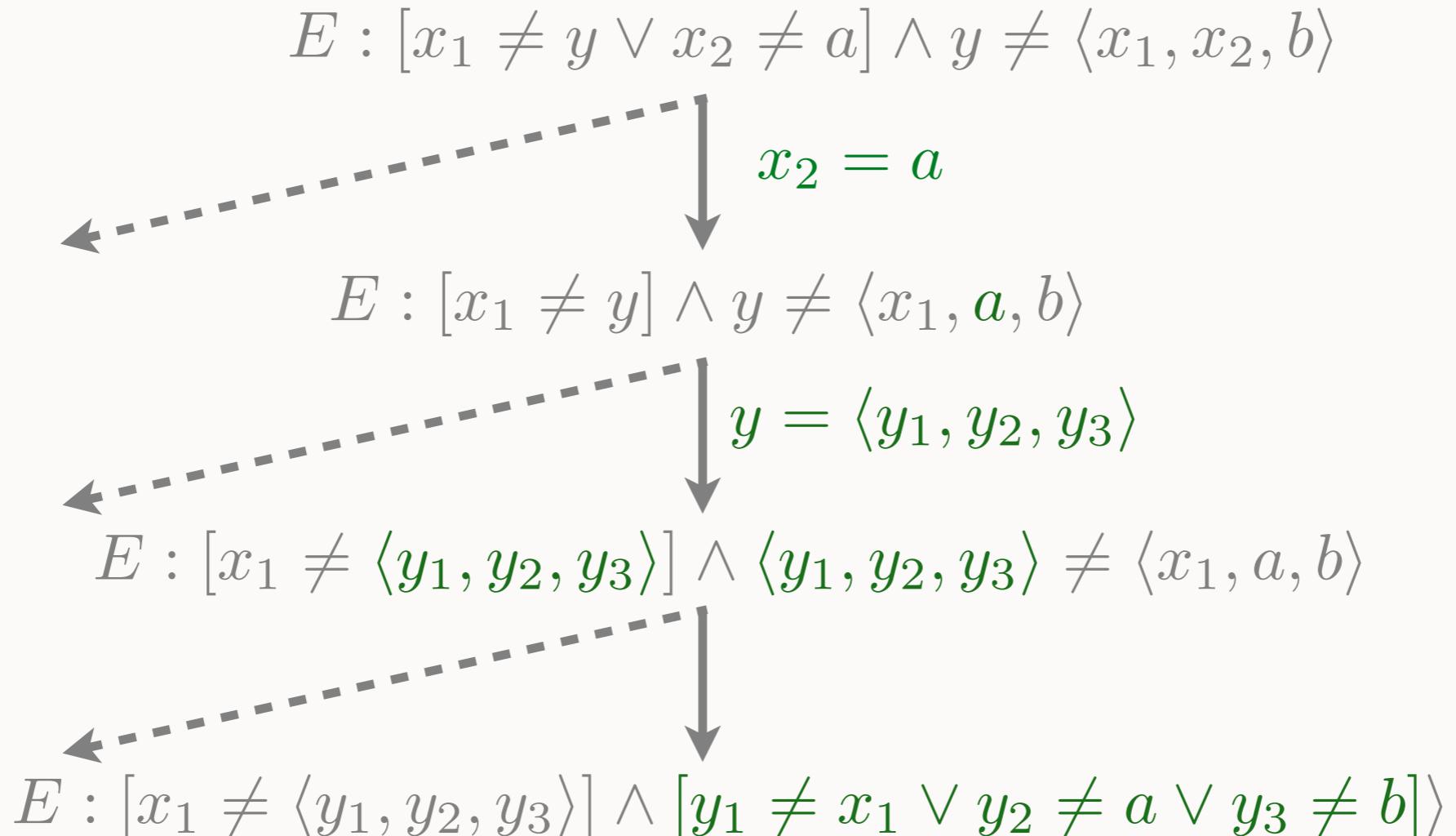
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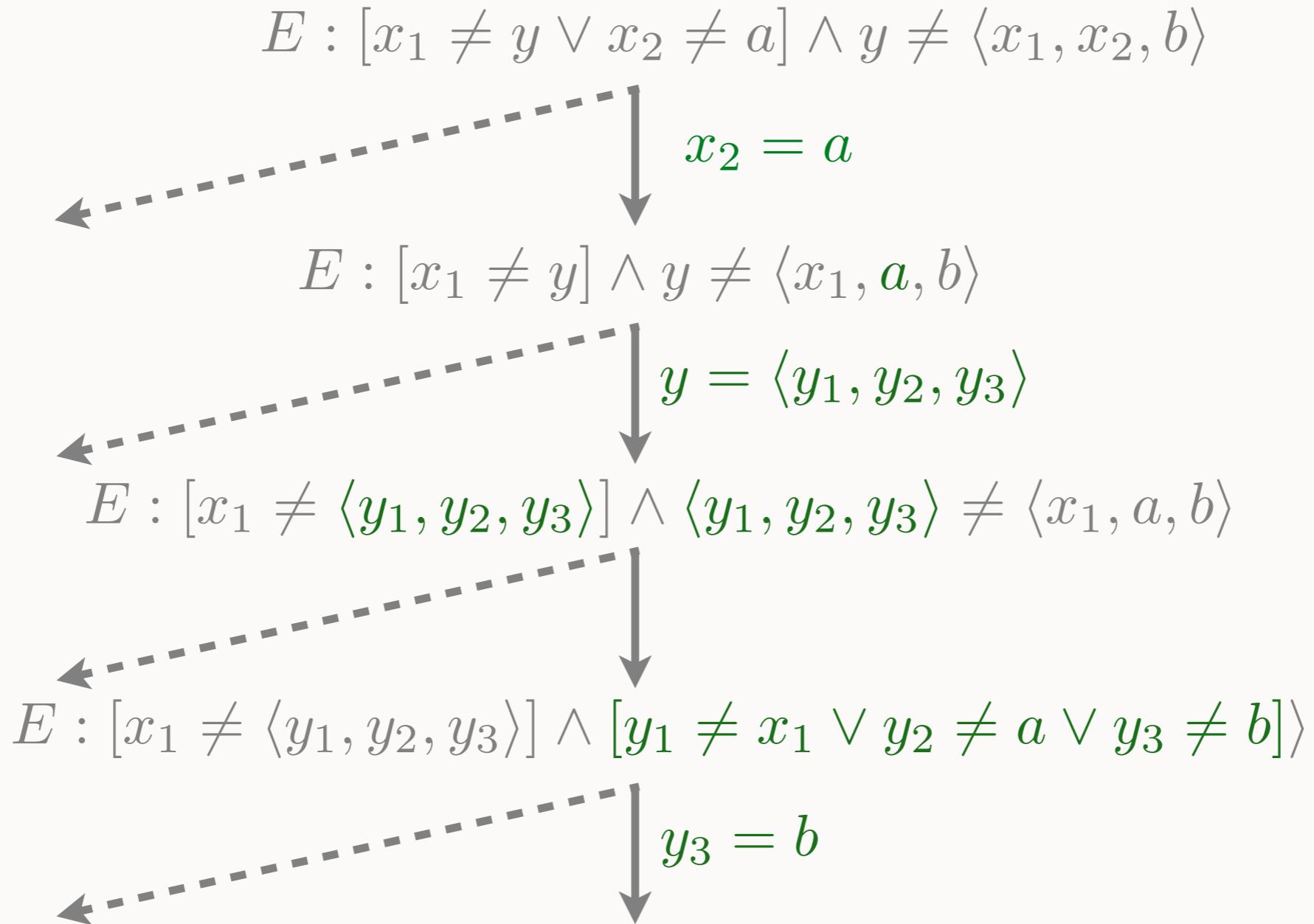
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