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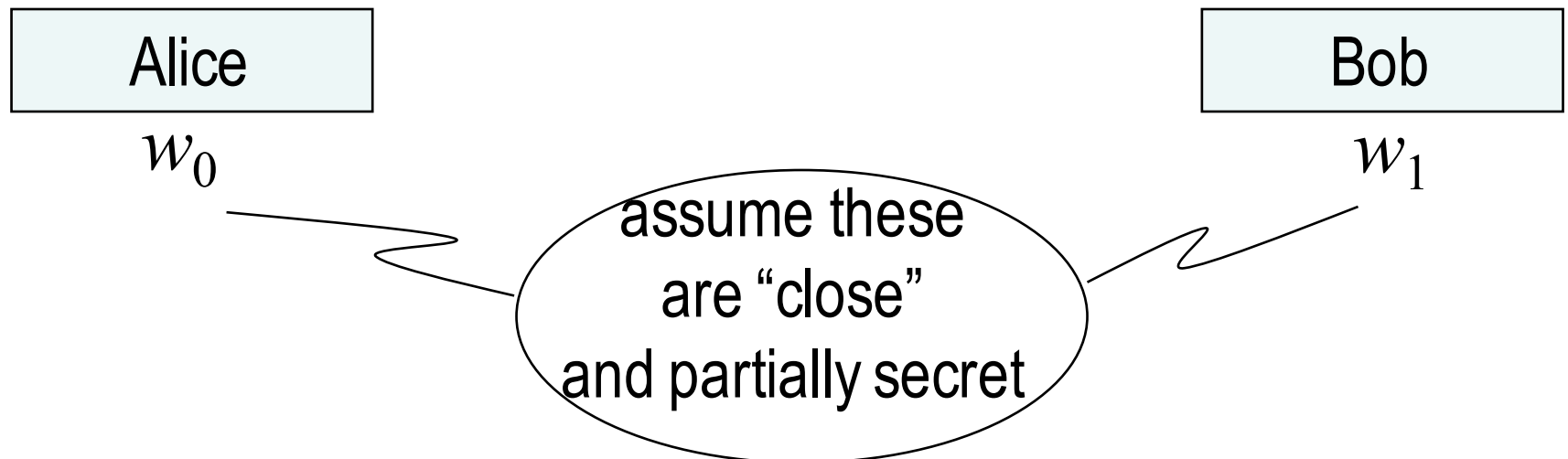
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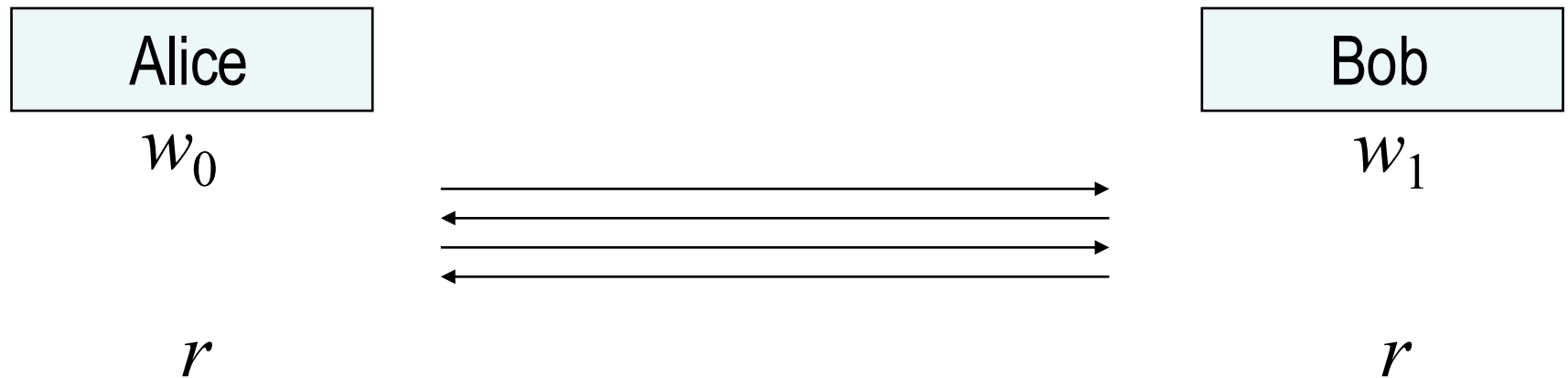
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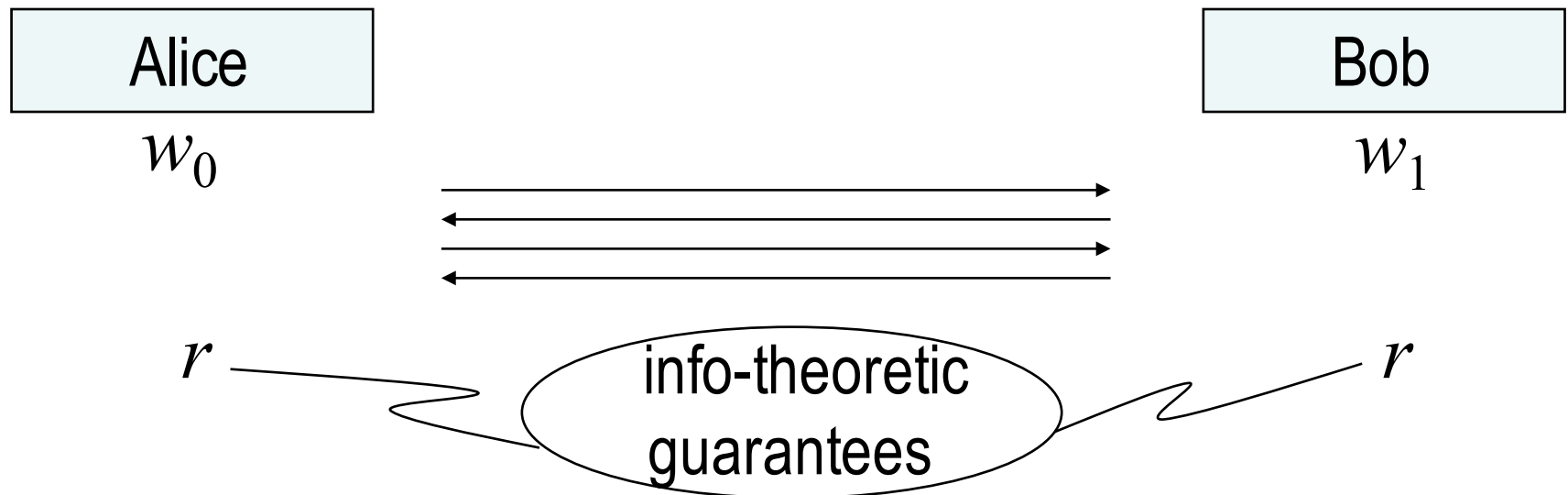
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Key Agreement from Close Secrets



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How do we get here?

- Alice and Bob have a partially secret and partially noisy channel between them [Wyner 1975]
- Alice and Bob are running quantum key distribution
- Alice and Bob listen to a noisy beacon
- Alice and Bob are two cell phones shaken together
- Alice knows Bob's iris scan

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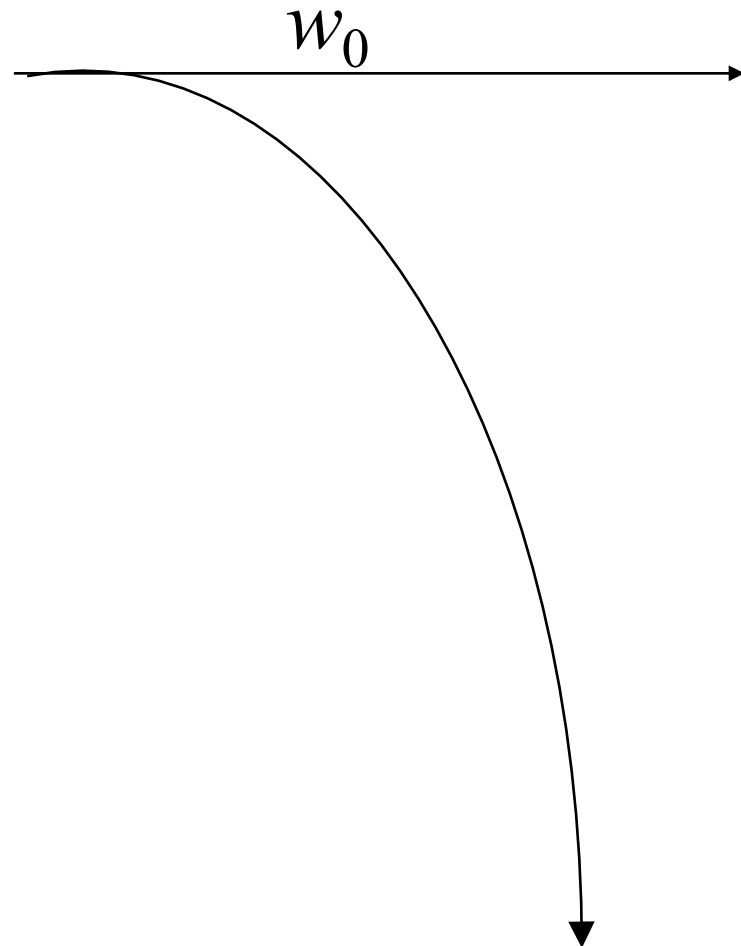
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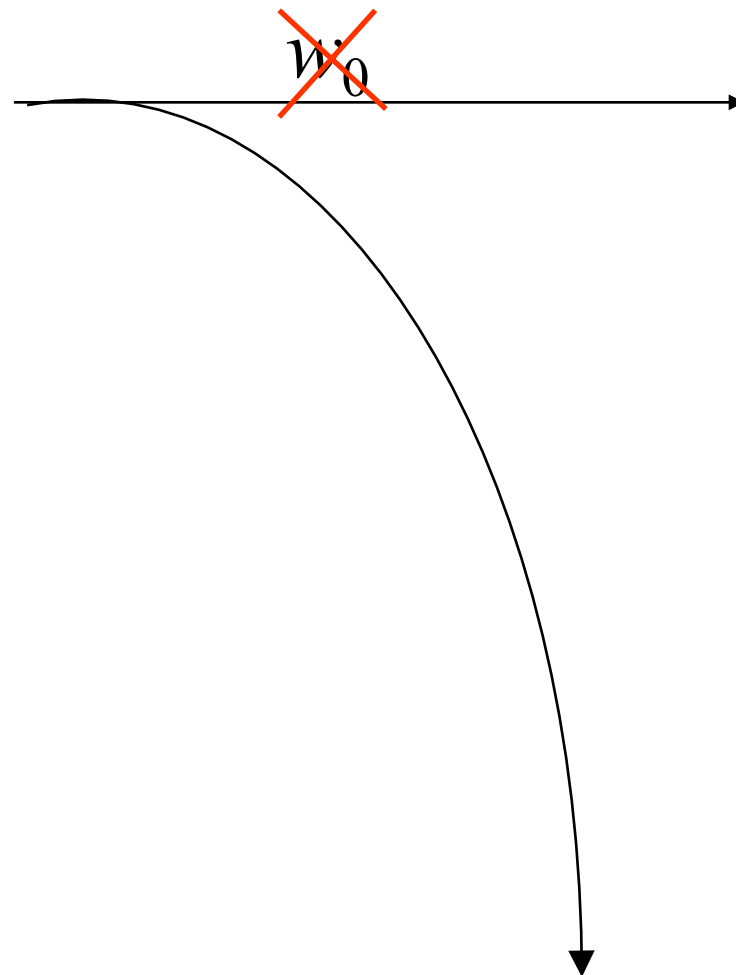
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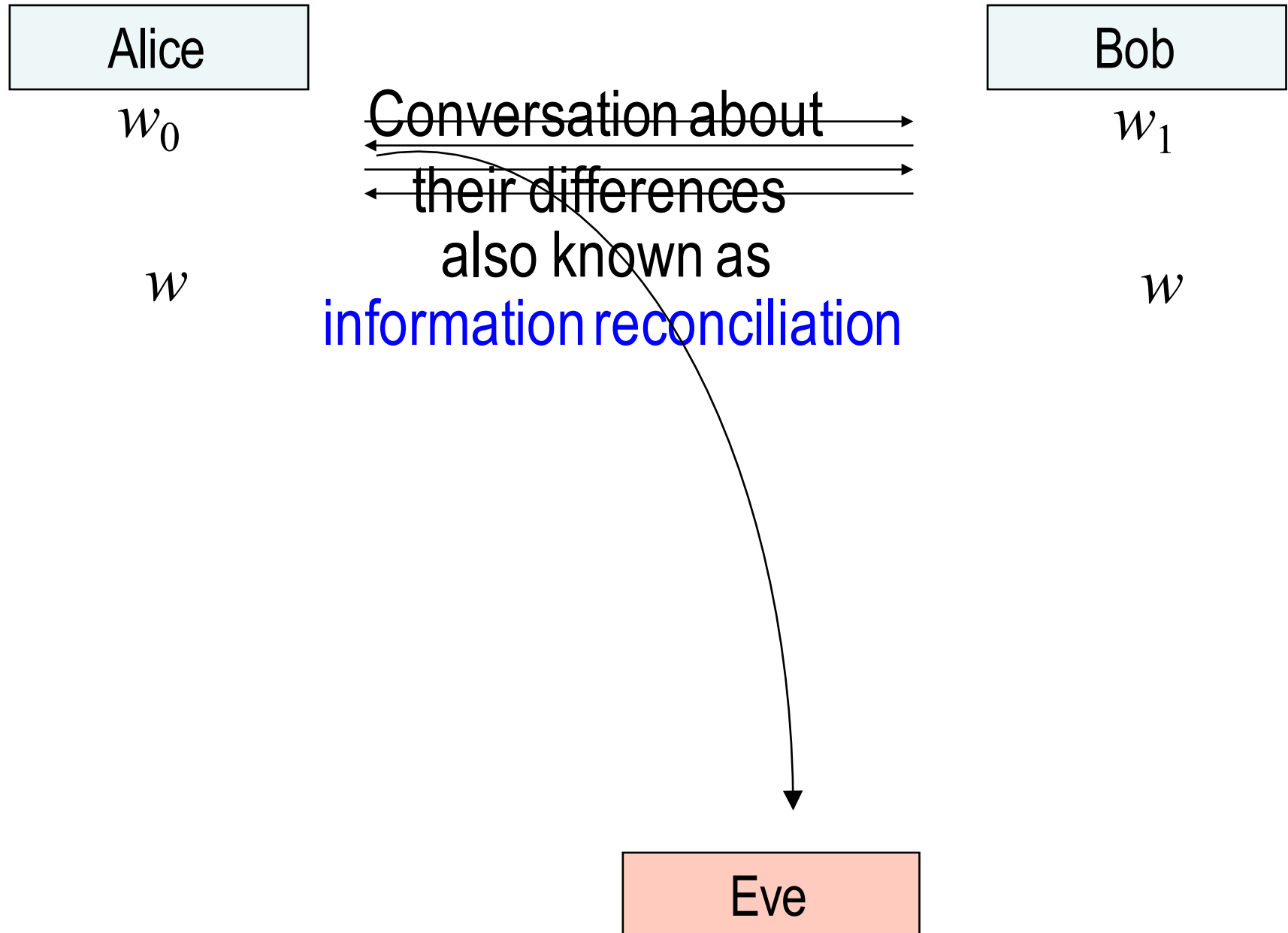
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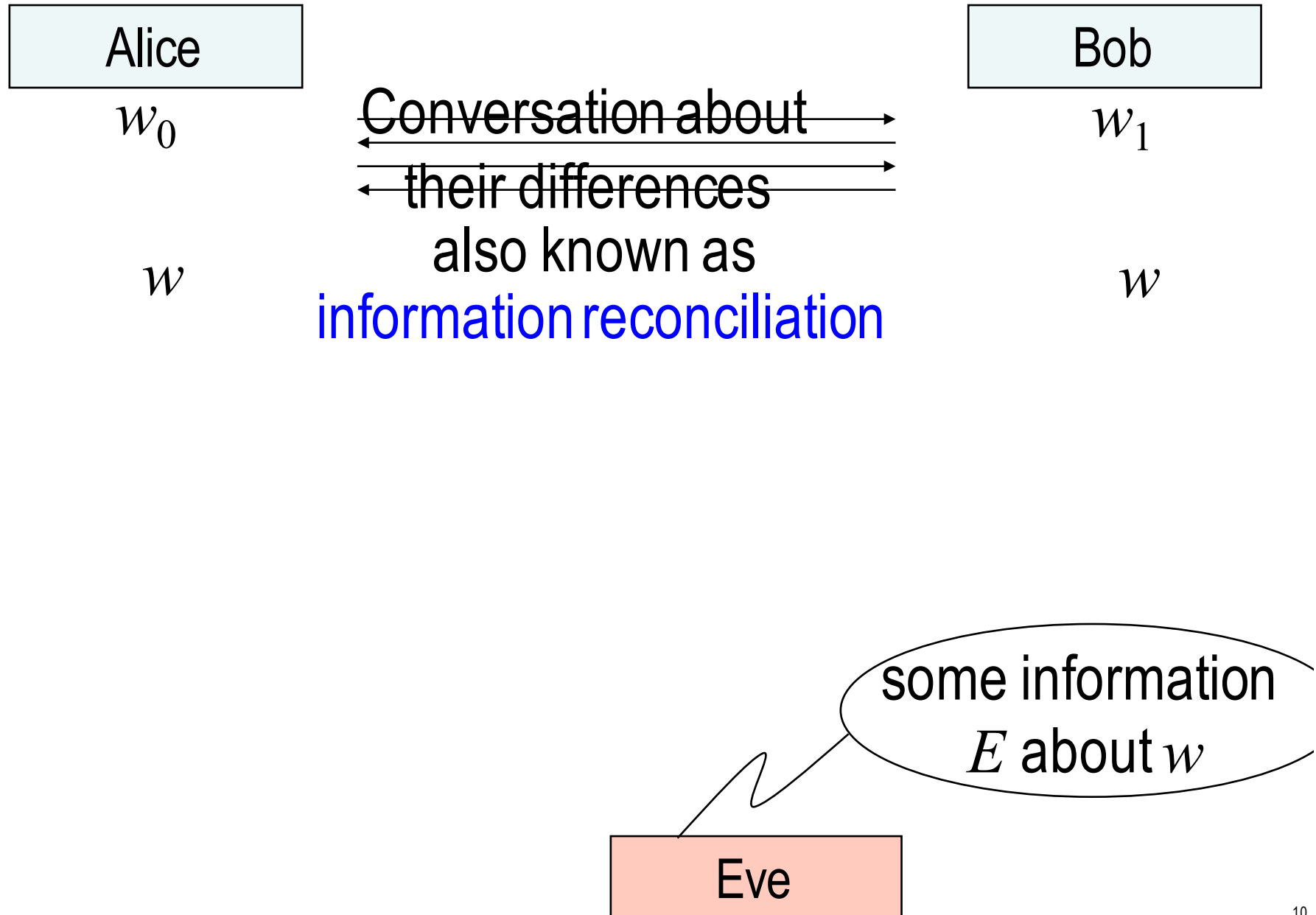


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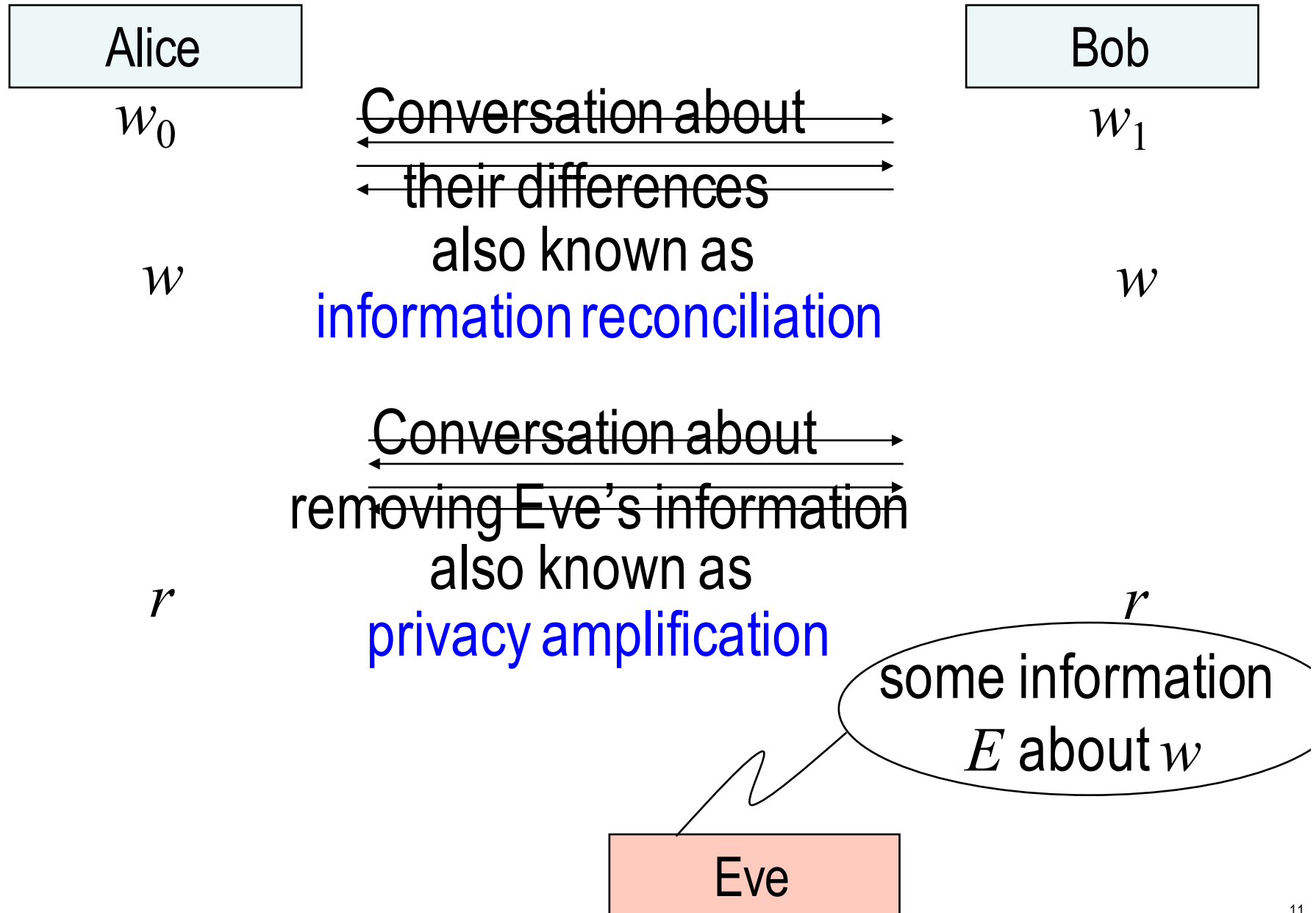
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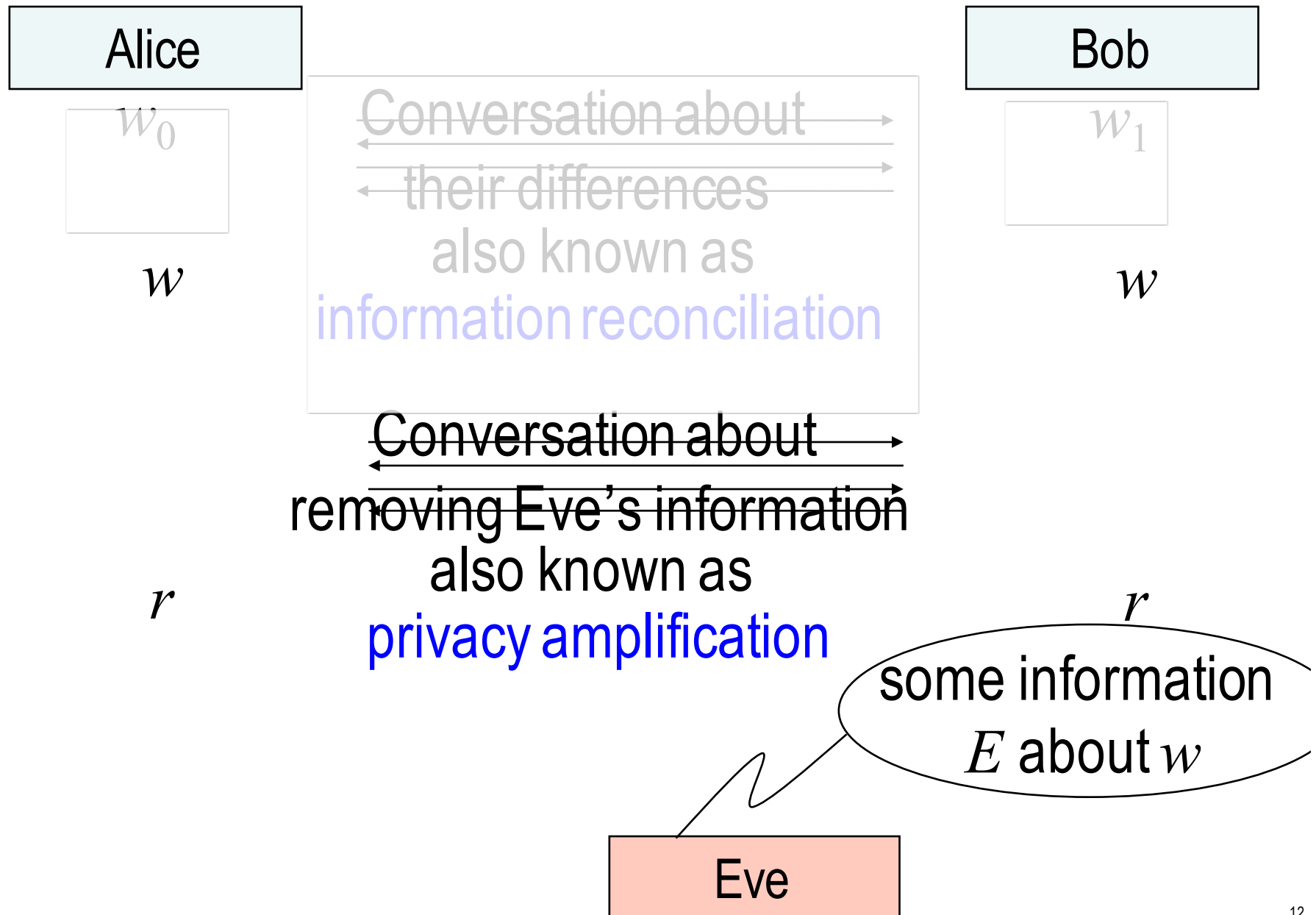
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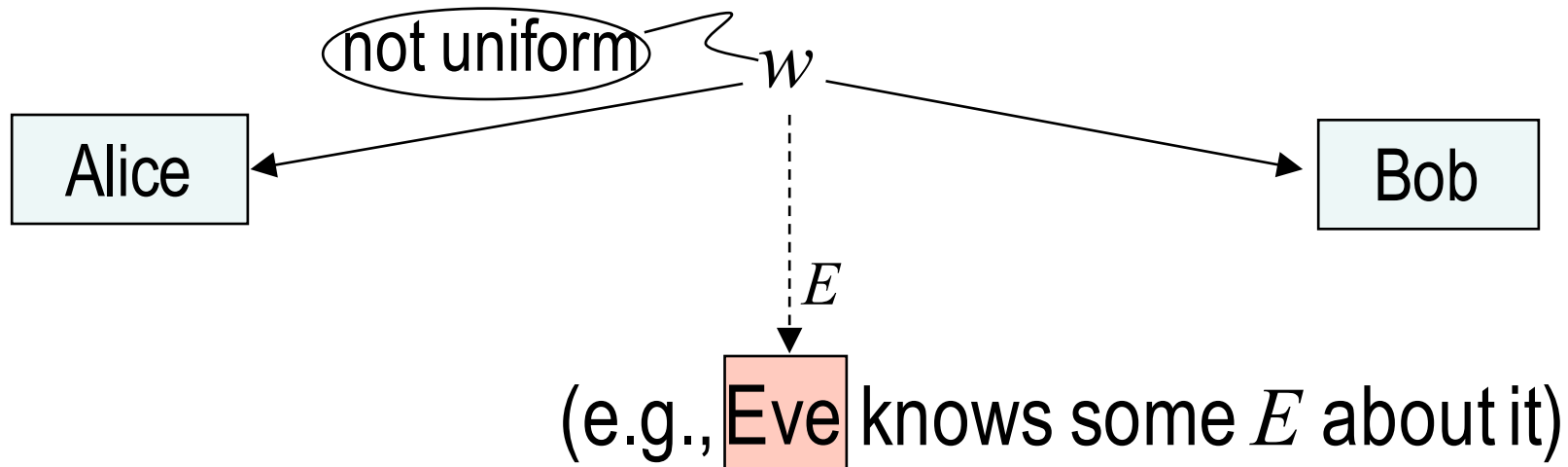
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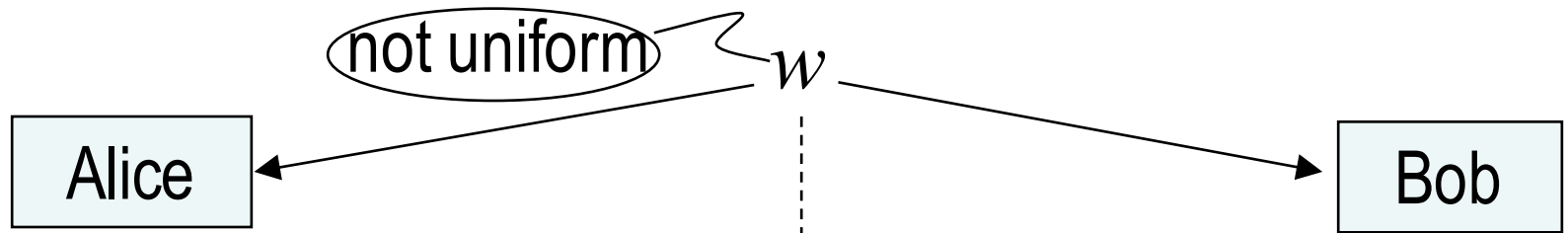


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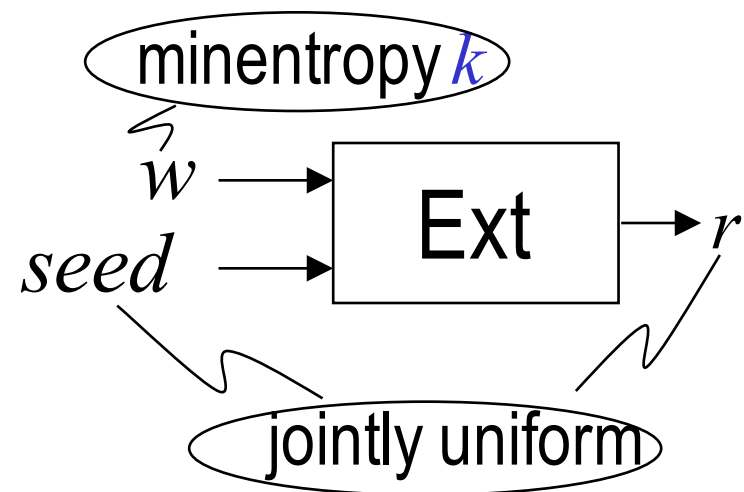
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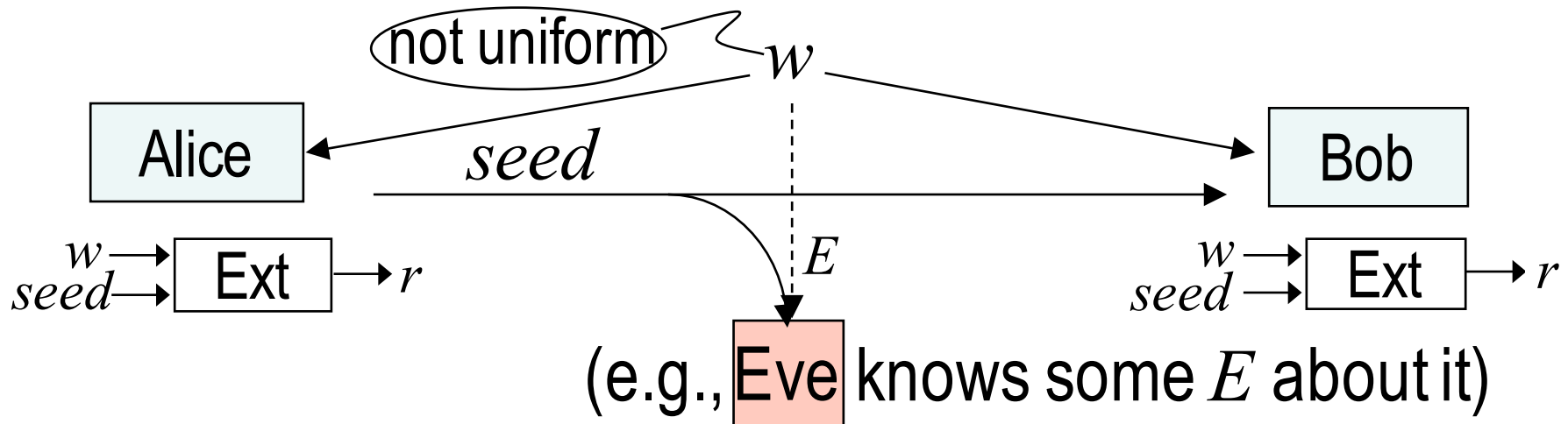
(e.g., **Eve** knows some E about it)

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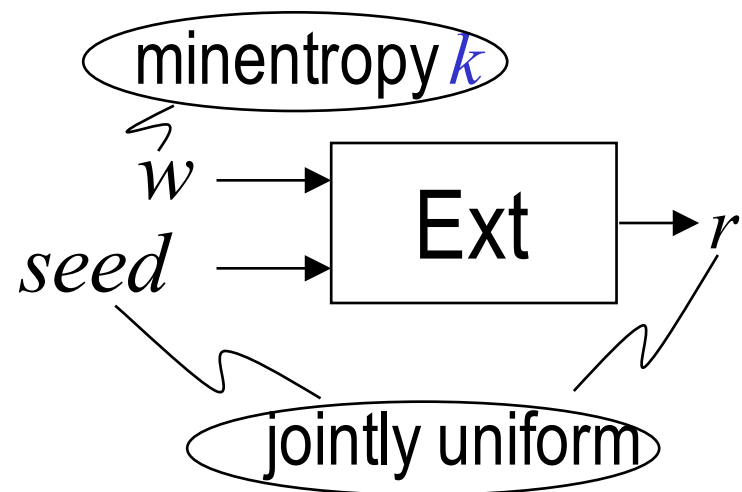


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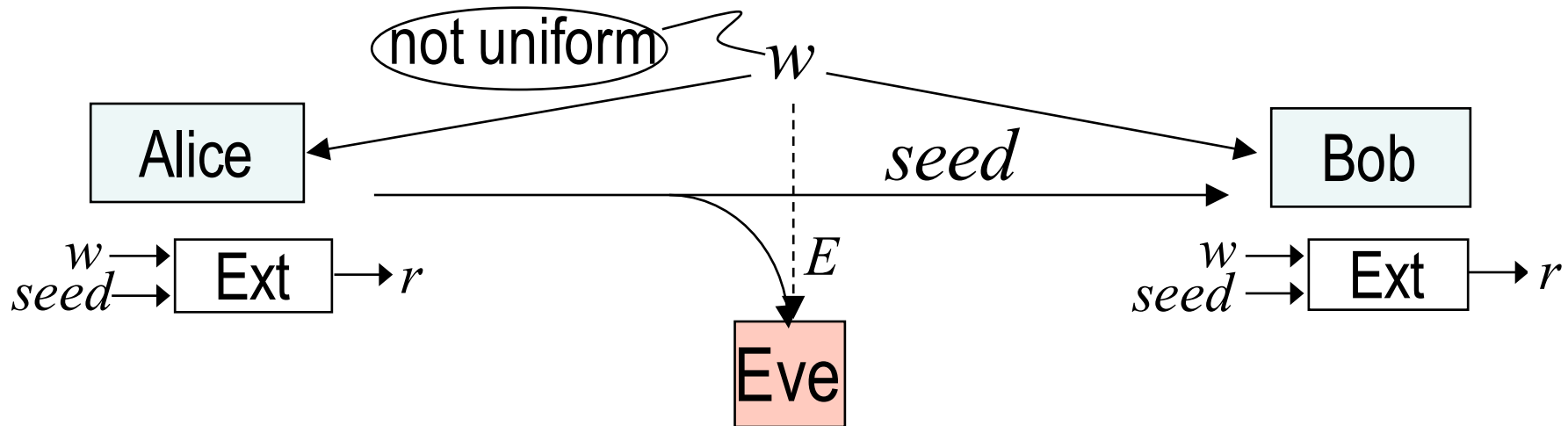


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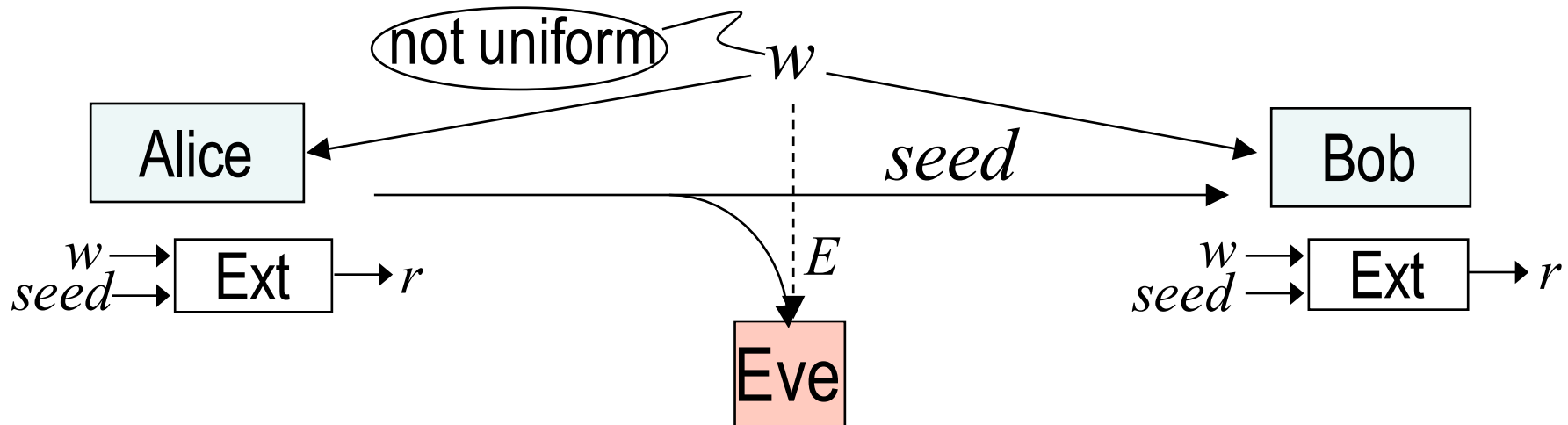


If average min-entropy $H_{\min}(W|E)$ is sufficiently high, and Ext is an average-case strong extractor, this works!

Using universal hashing:

If $H_{\min}(W|E) \geq k$, we get $(R, Seed, E) \approx_{\varepsilon} (U_m, Seed, E)$
for $m = k - 2 \log(1/\varepsilon)$

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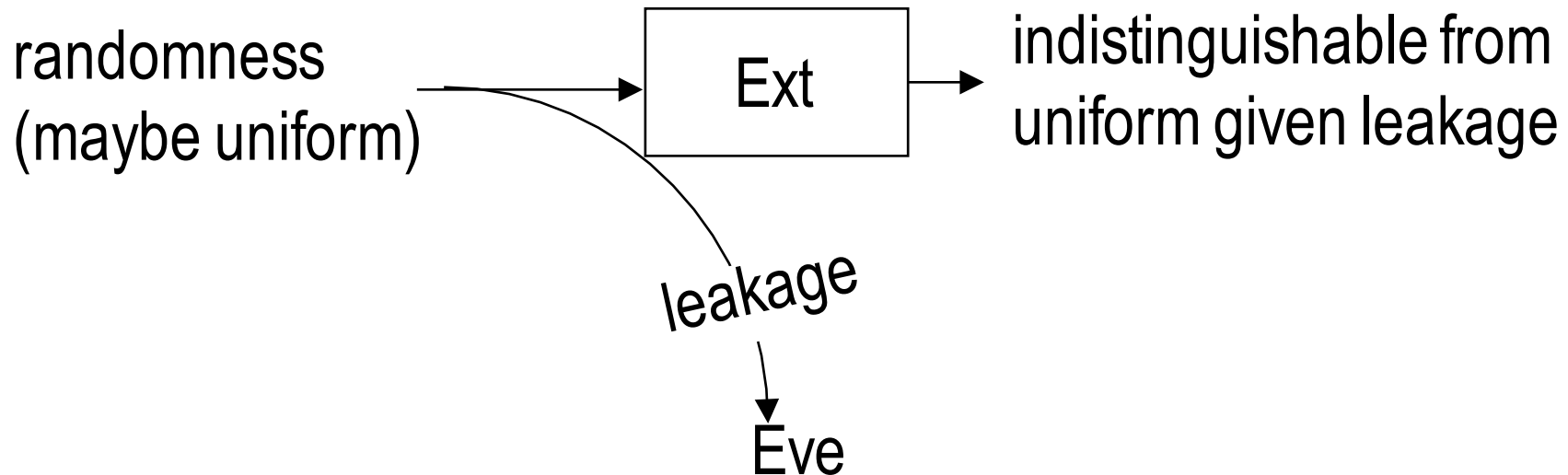
- Early work for specific distributions of w and classes of Eve's knowledge, motivated by quantum key agreement
- [Ozarow-Wyner 84]: nonconstructive solution
- [Bennett-Brassard-Robert 85]: universal hashing for any Eve's knowledge
- Early analysis used Shannon entropy for W as an input assumption and low mutual information between E and R as an output guarantee. Problem: Shannon entropy and mutual information are not great for security
- [Maurer 93, Bennett-Brassard-Crépeau-Maurer 95]: modern security notions

note the two views of extractors

[Santha-Vazirani]:

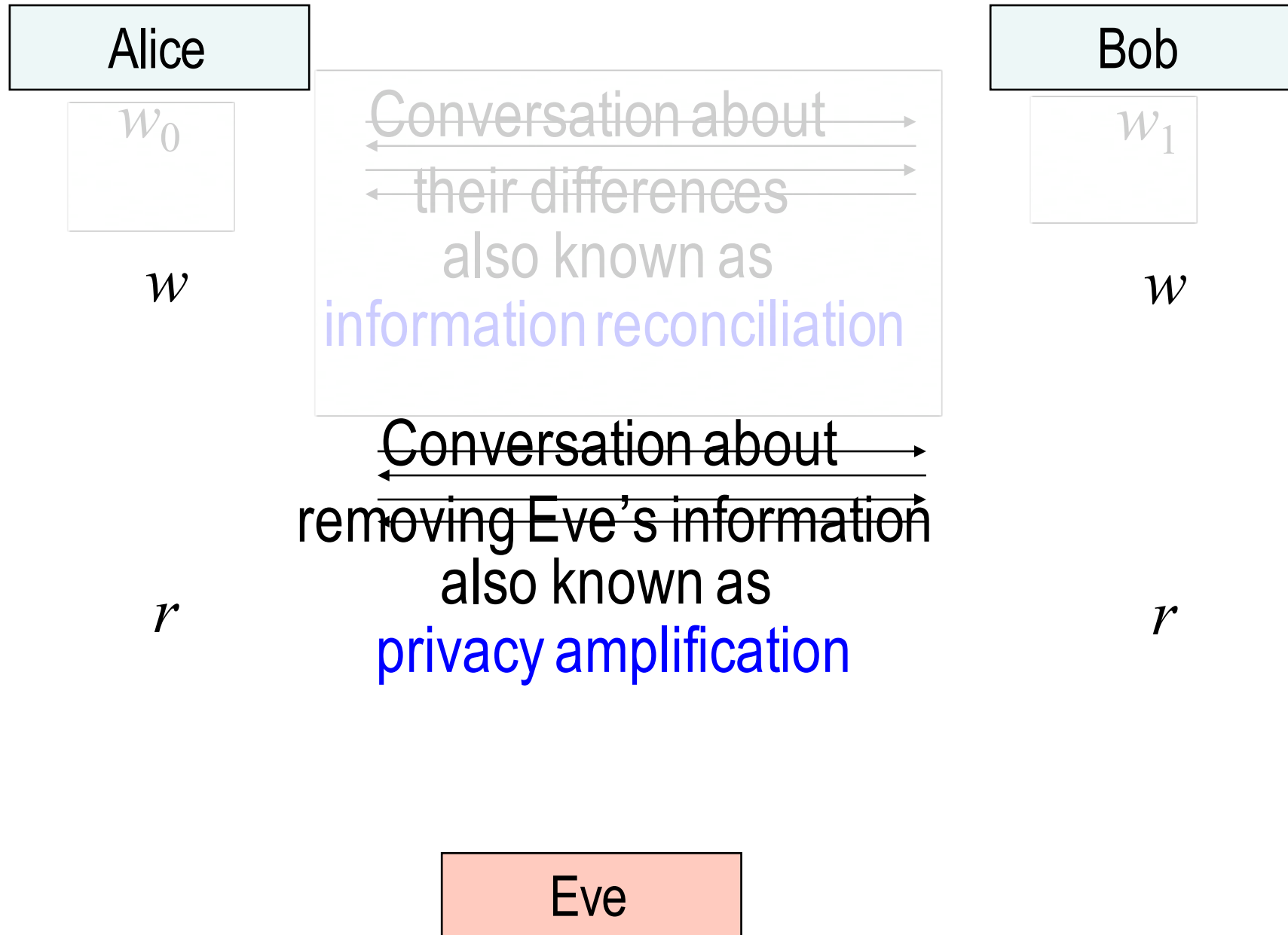


[Wyner]:



The equivalence of these two views wasn't obvious at first

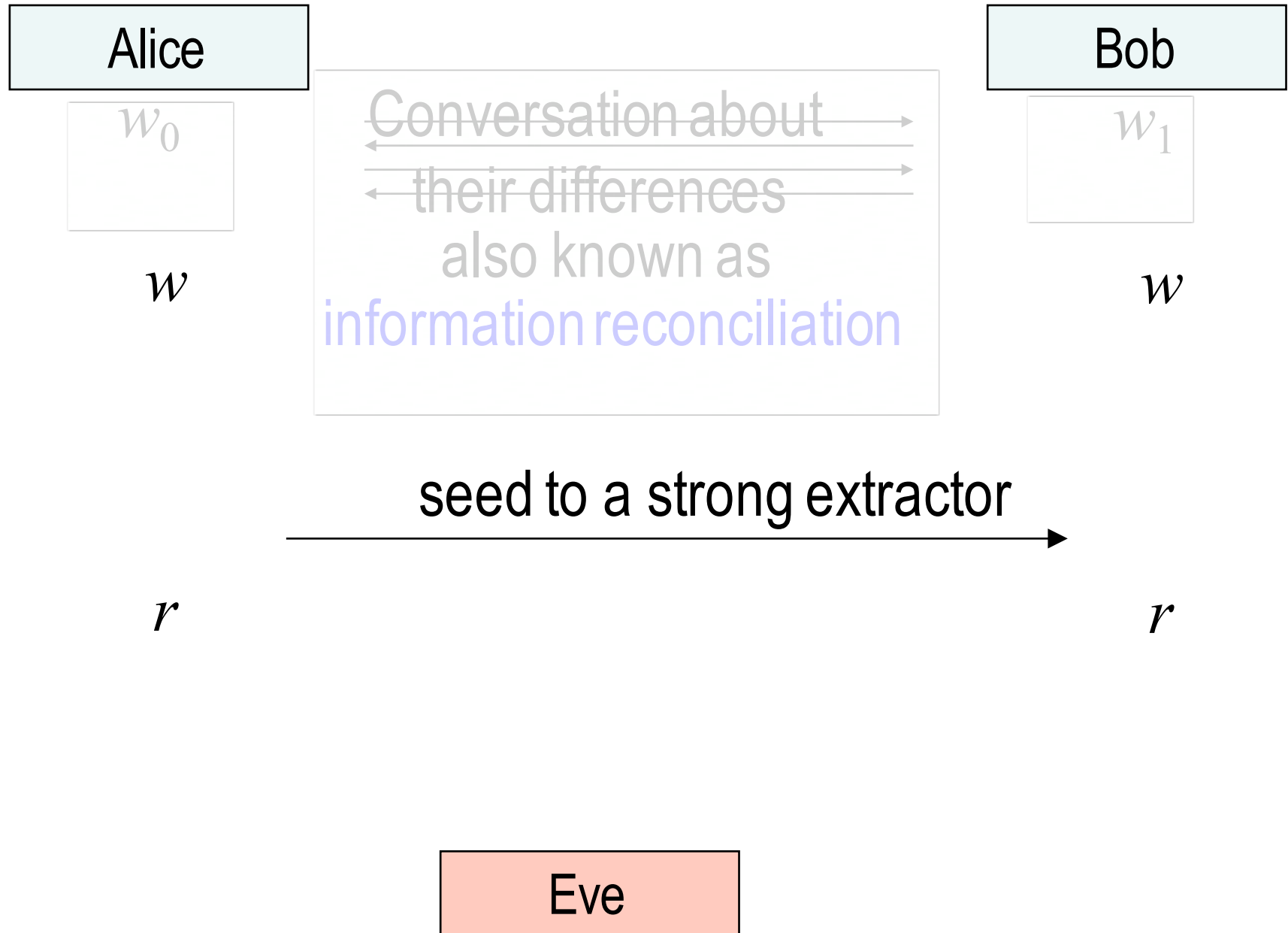
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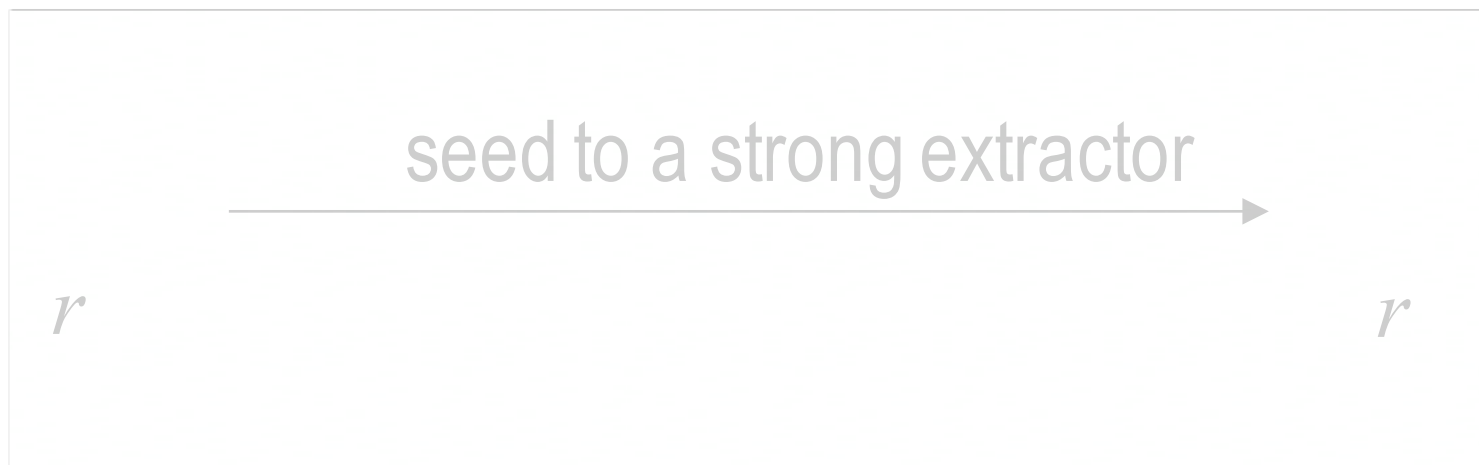
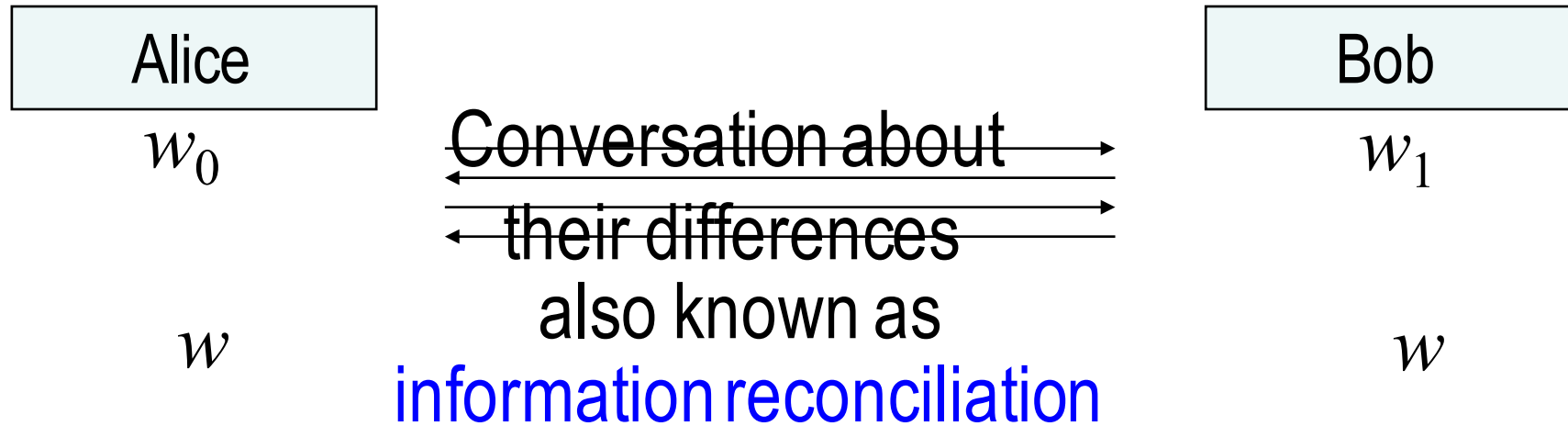
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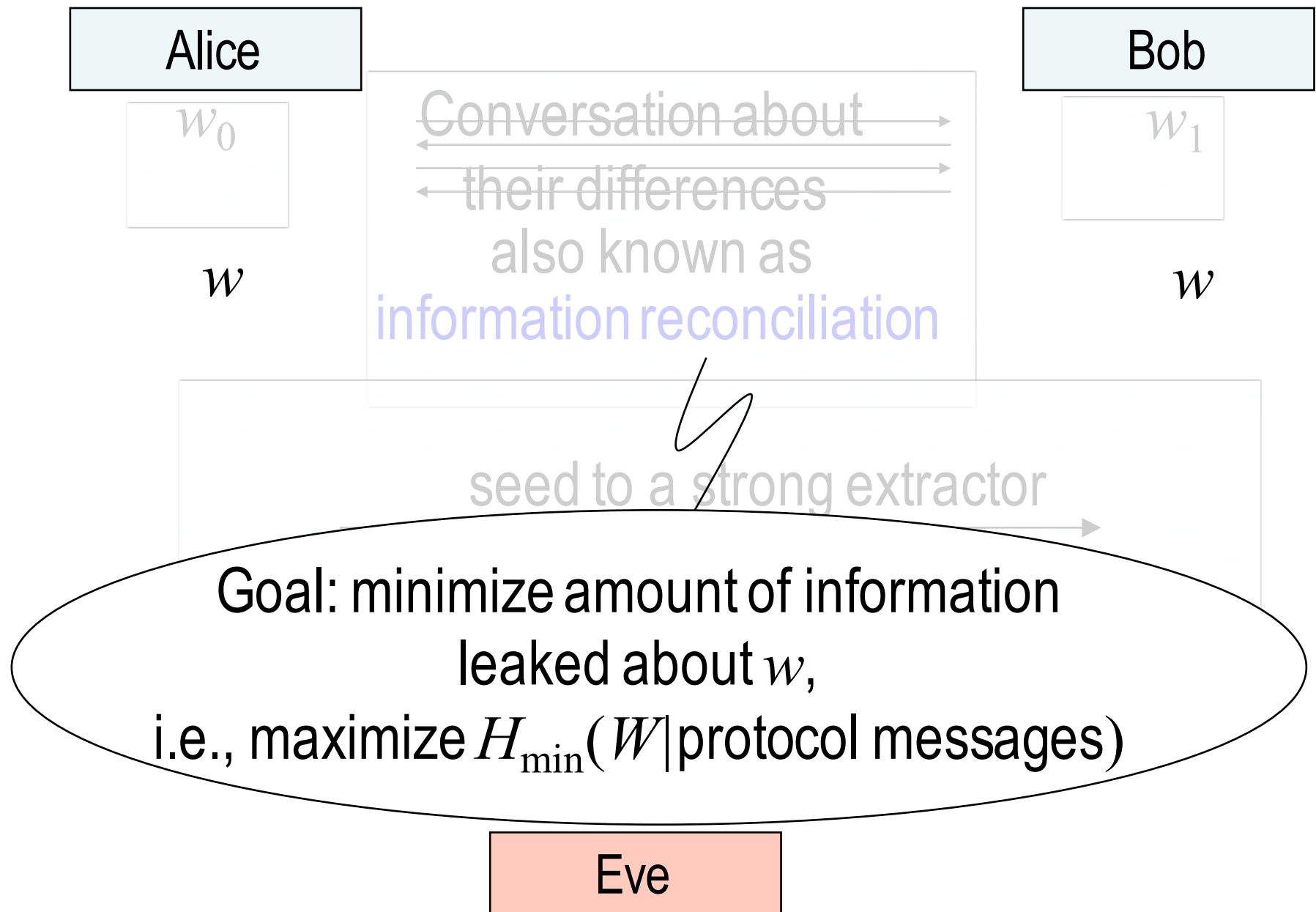


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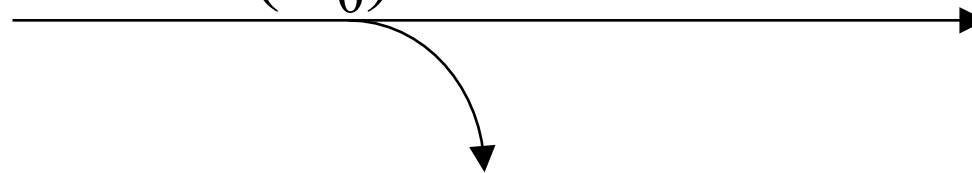
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Aside: chain rule for H_{\min}

Def: $H_{\max}(E) = \log |\{e \mid \Pr[E = e] > 0\}| = \log |\text{support}(E)|$

Lemma: $H_{\min}(X \mid E) \geq H_{\min}(X, E) - H_{\max}(E)$

Proof: Reduction. Suppose $\Pr_{(x,e)} [A(e) \rightarrow x] = p$.

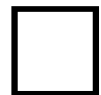
Let $B =$ pick a uniform g support(E); output $(A(g), g)$

$$\Pr_{(x,e)} [B \rightarrow (x,e)] \geq \Pr_{(x,e,g)} [e=g \text{ and } A(g) \rightarrow x]$$

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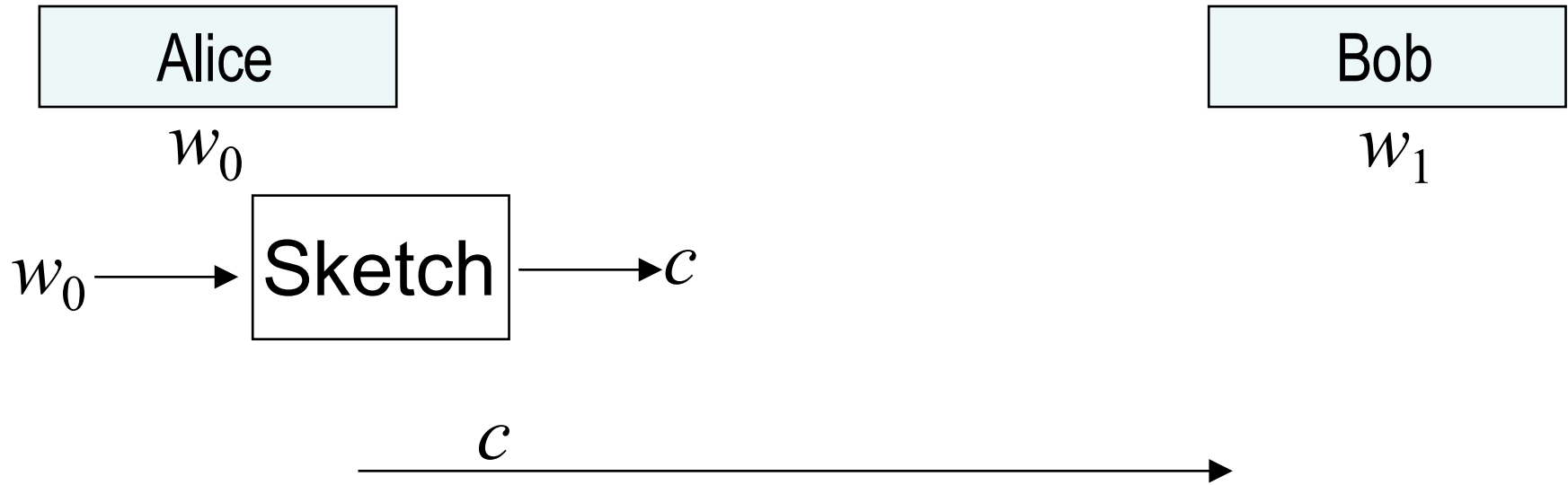
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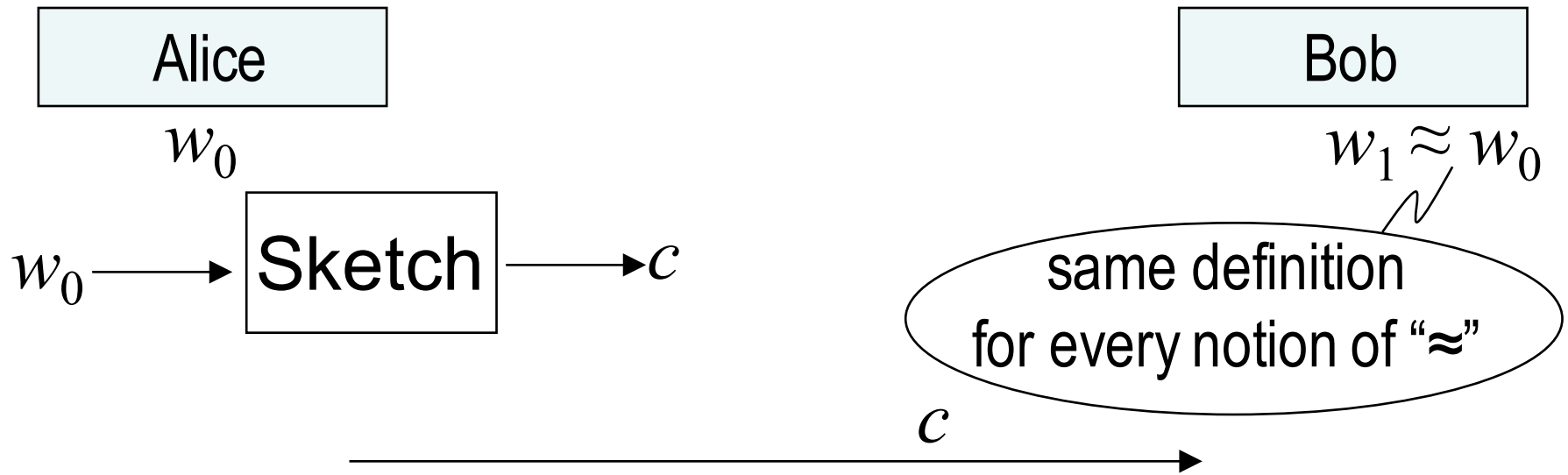


Lemma: $H_{\min}(X \mid E_1, E_2) \geq H_{\min}(X, E_2 \mid E_1) - H_{\max}(E_2)$

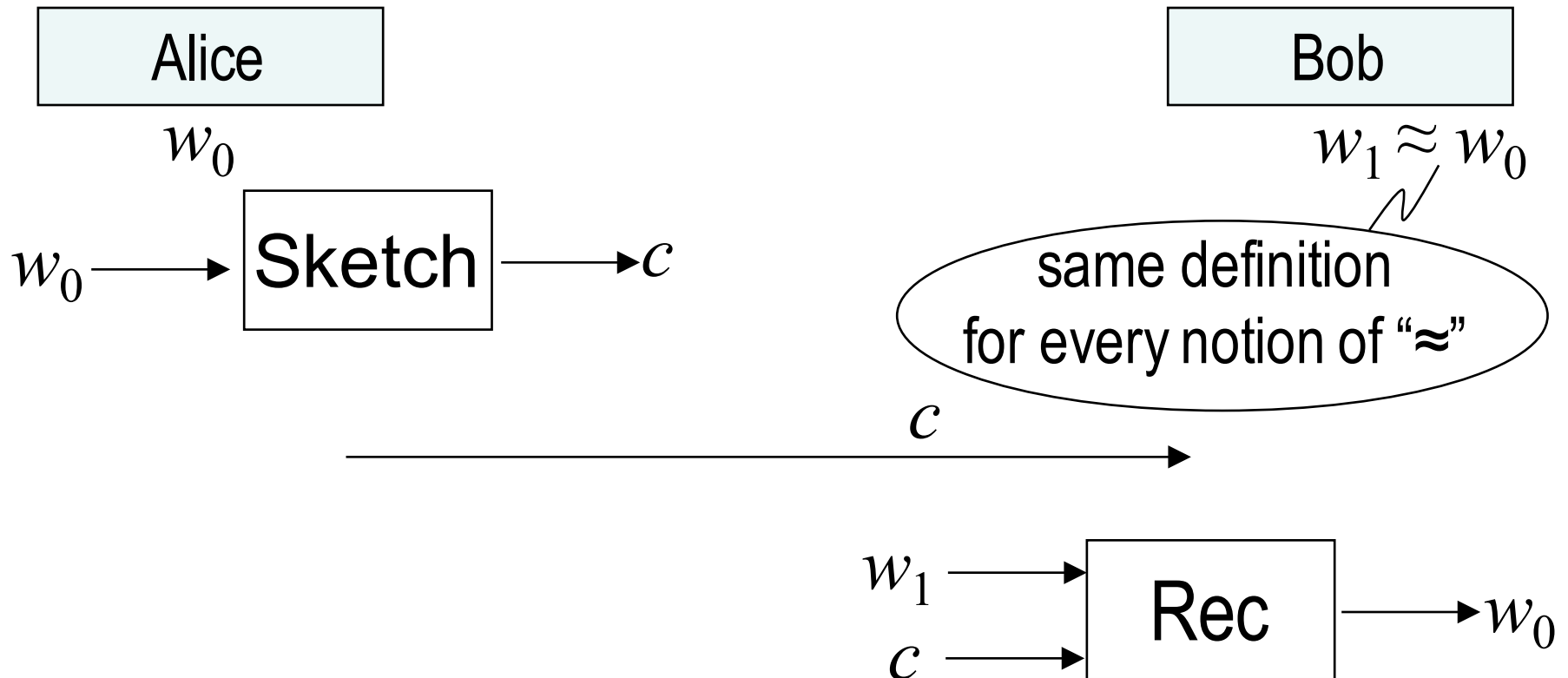
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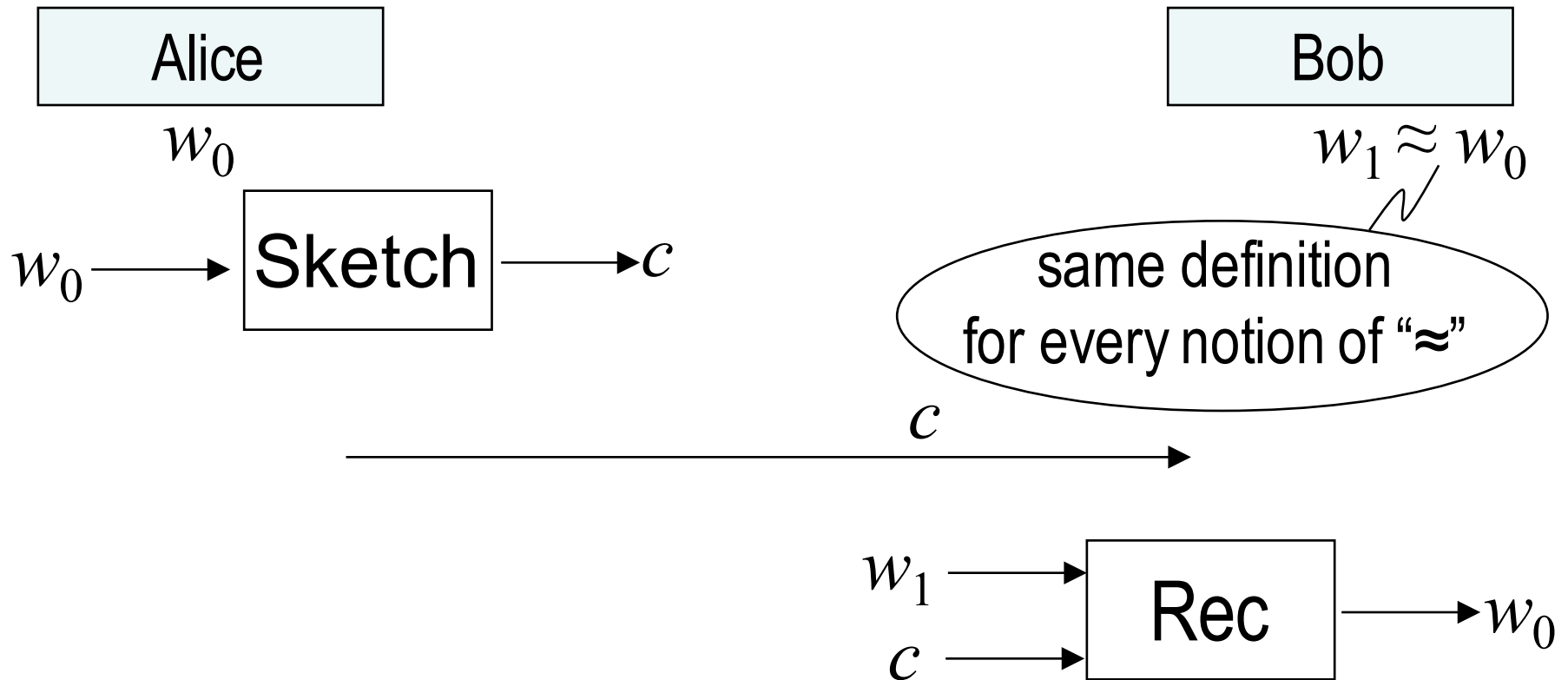
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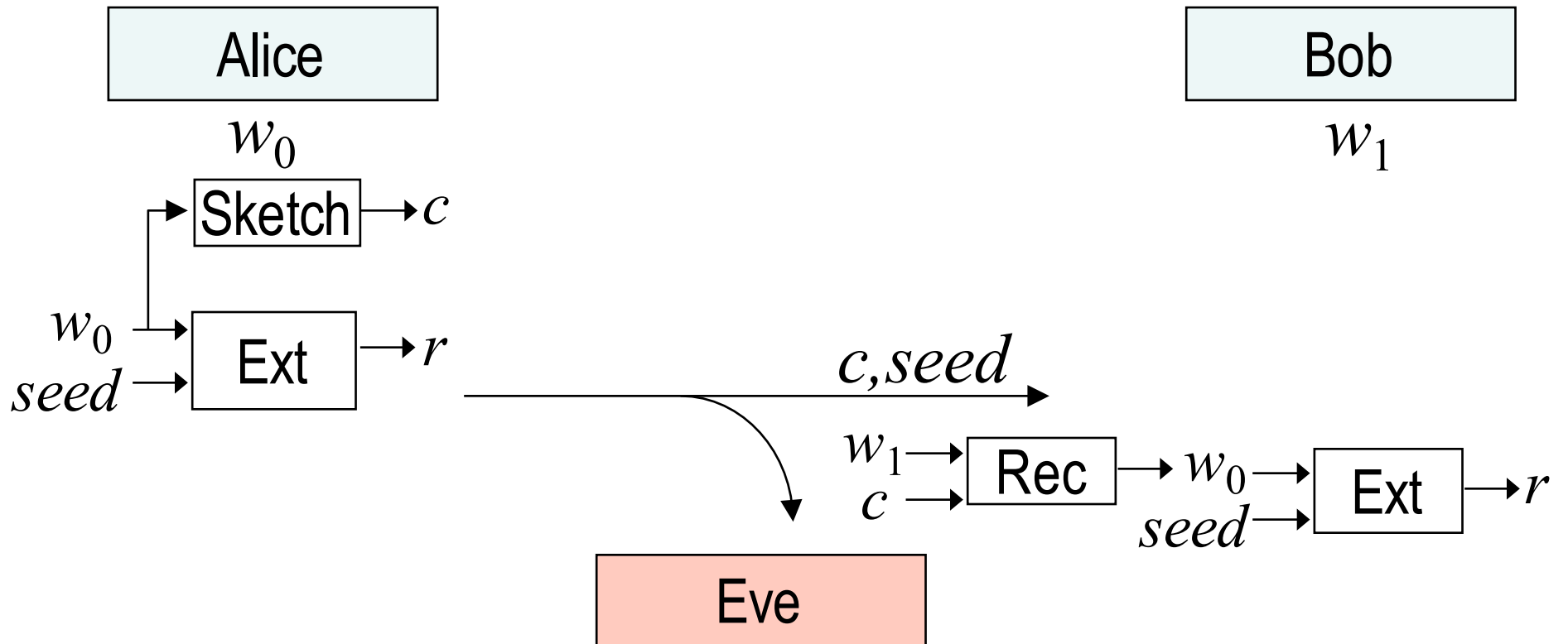
Def [Dodis-Ostrovsky-R-Smith 04]:

(Sketch, Rec) is a $(k, k - l)$ -secure sketch if

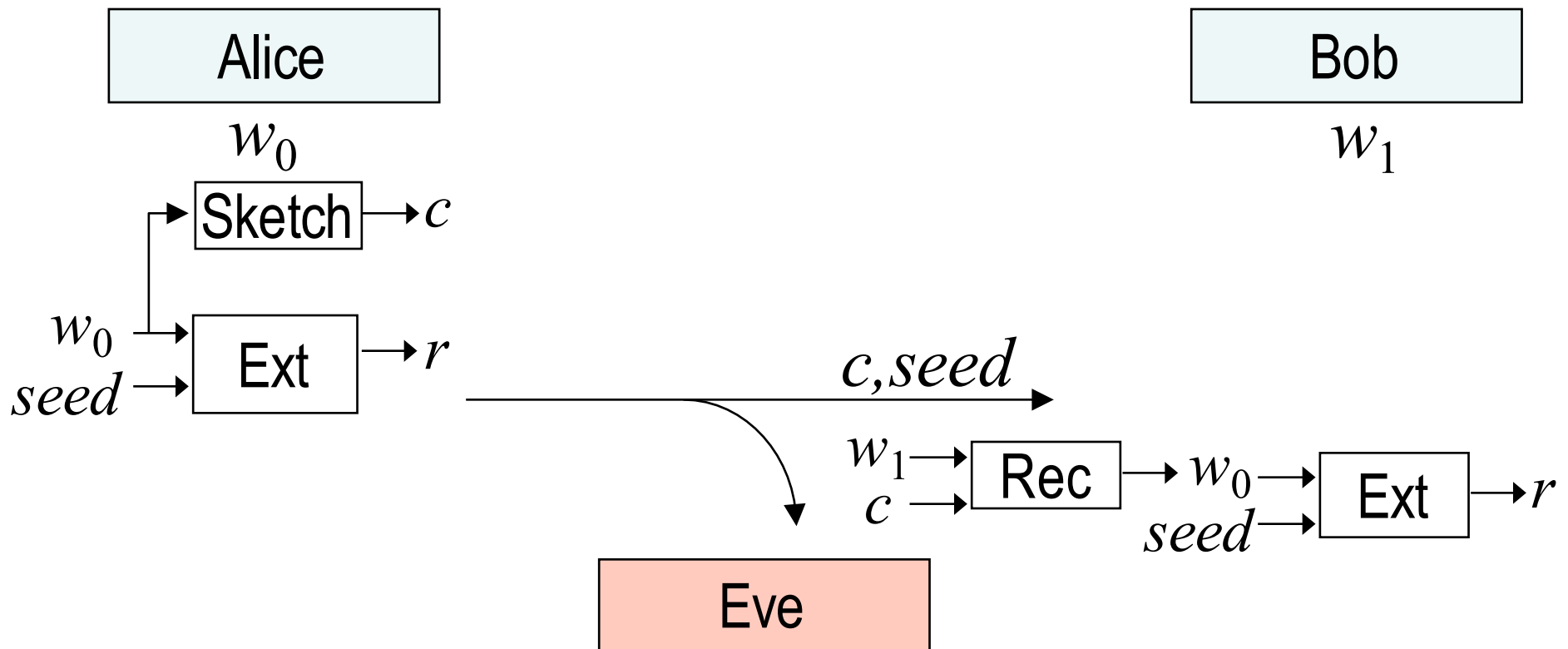
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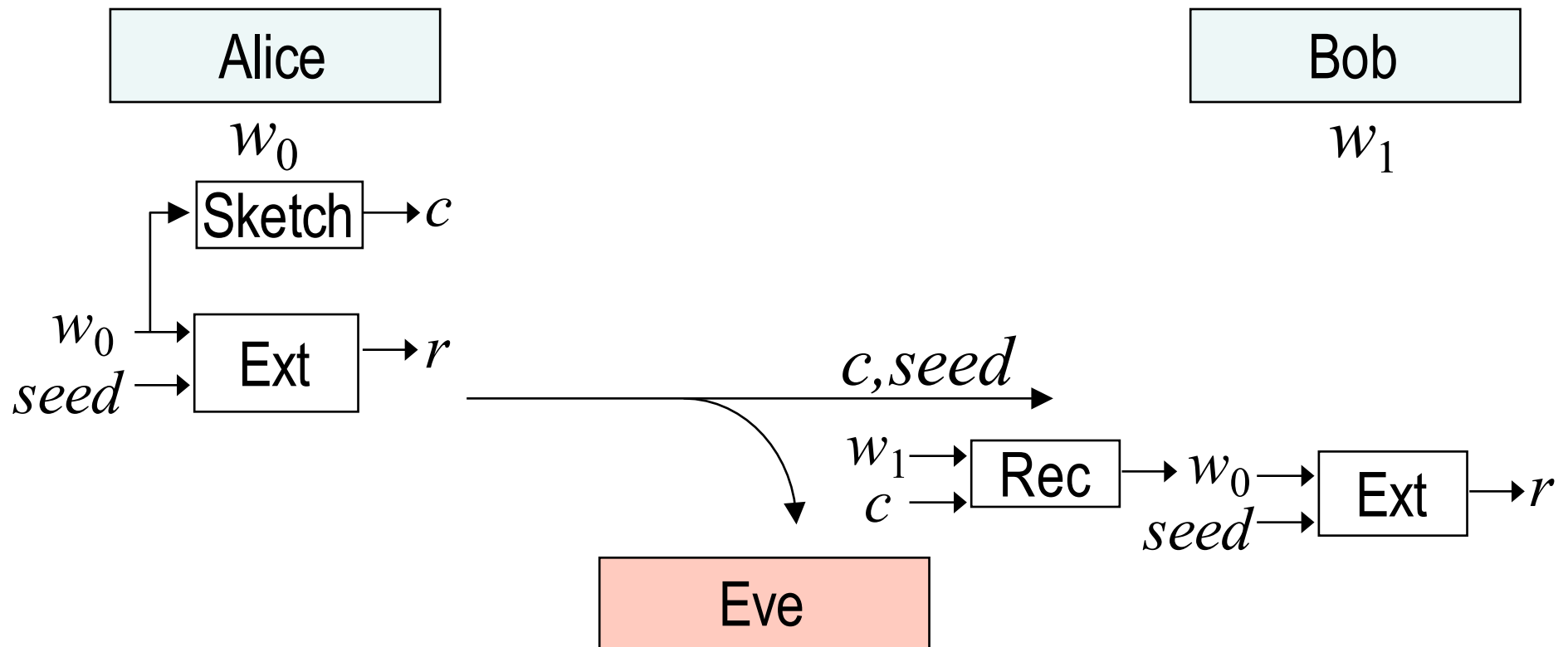


$$H_{\min}(W_0 | E) \geq k \Rightarrow H_{\min}(W_0 | E, \text{Sketch}(W_0)) \geq k - l$$

$$(k - l, \varepsilon)\text{-Ext} \Rightarrow (R, C, \text{Seed}, E) \approx_{\varepsilon} (U_m, C, \text{Seed}, E)$$

Thus can get $m = k - l - 2 \log(1/\varepsilon)$

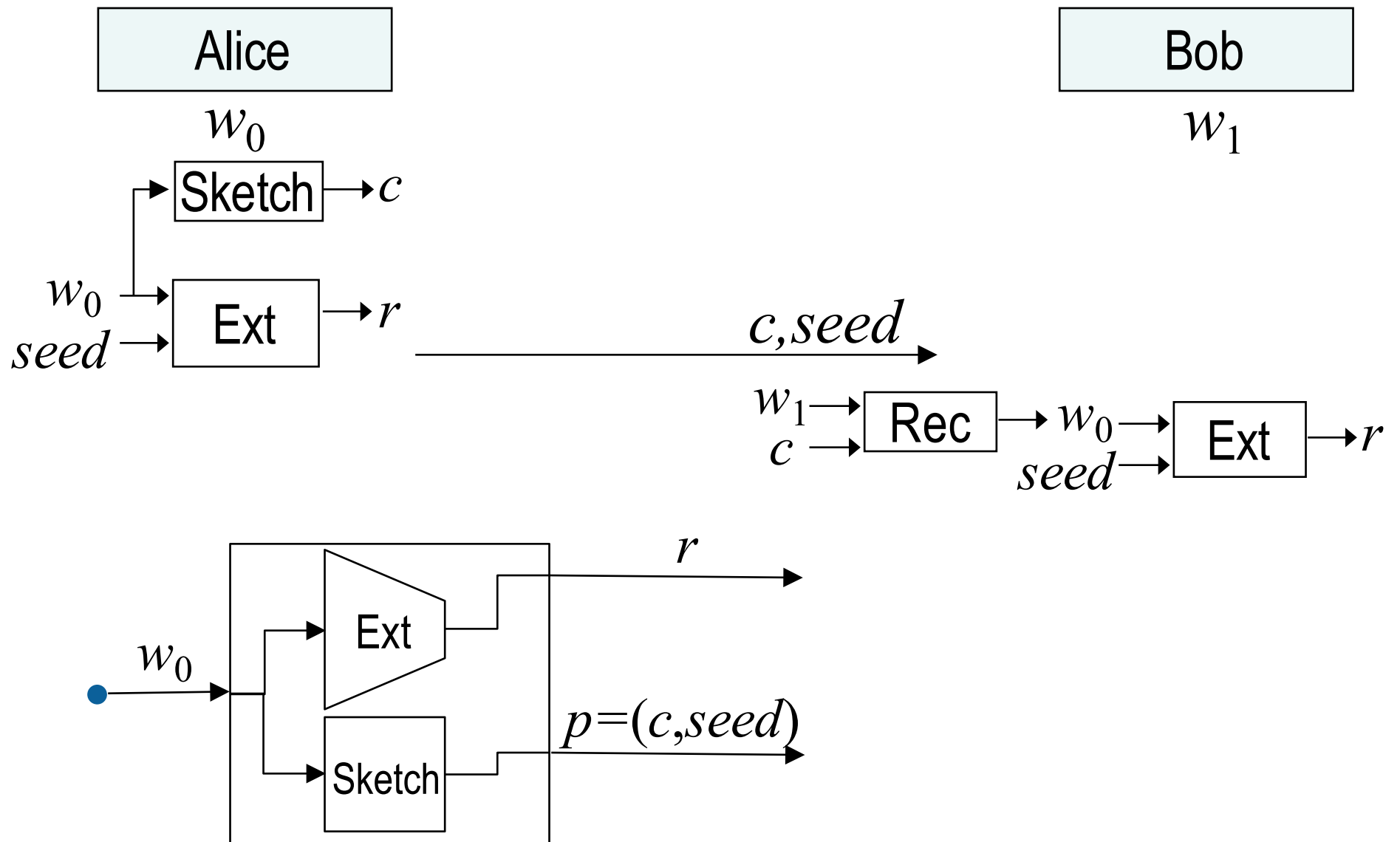
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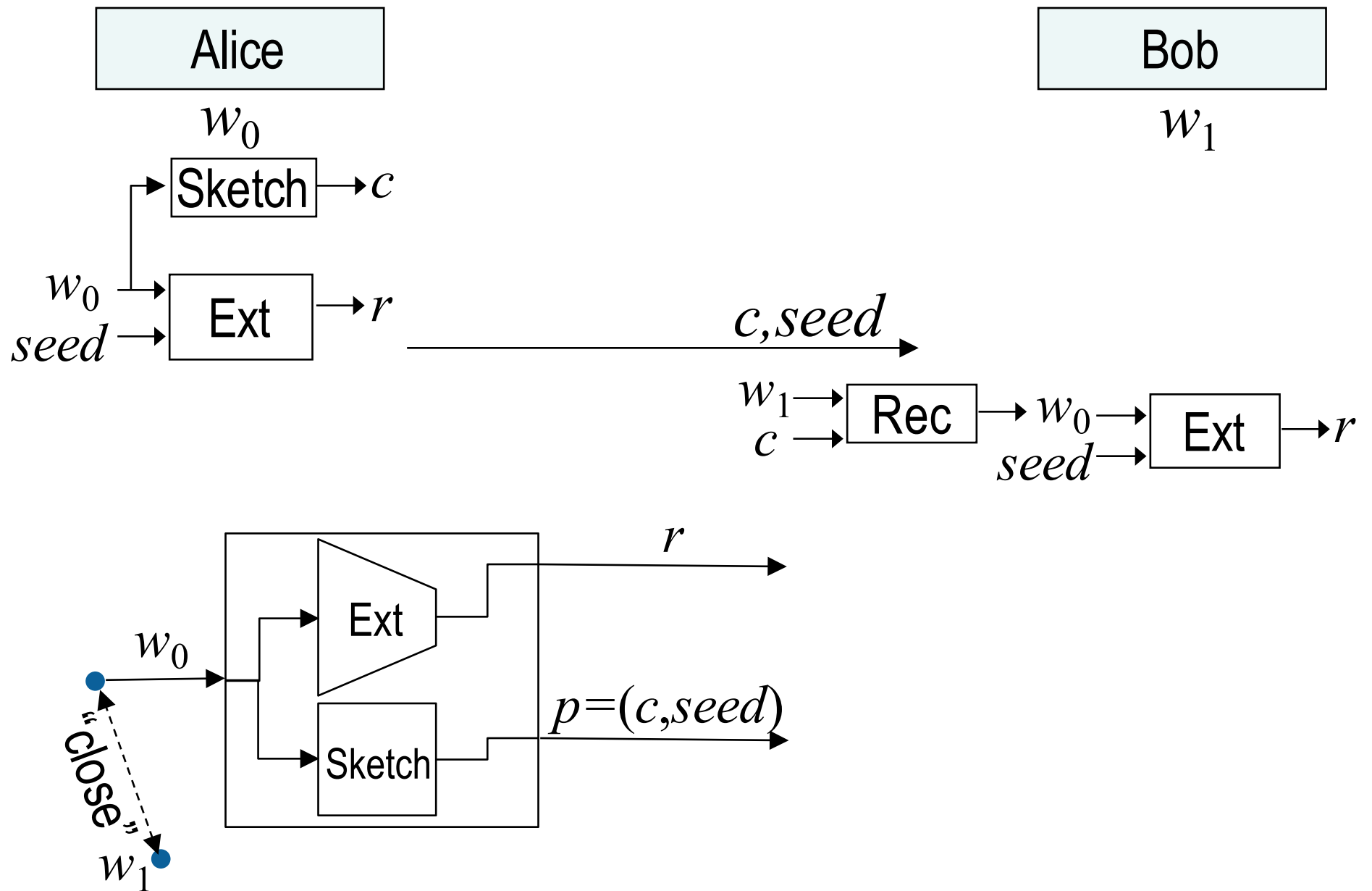
All in one message!

Let's take another view of what we've built...

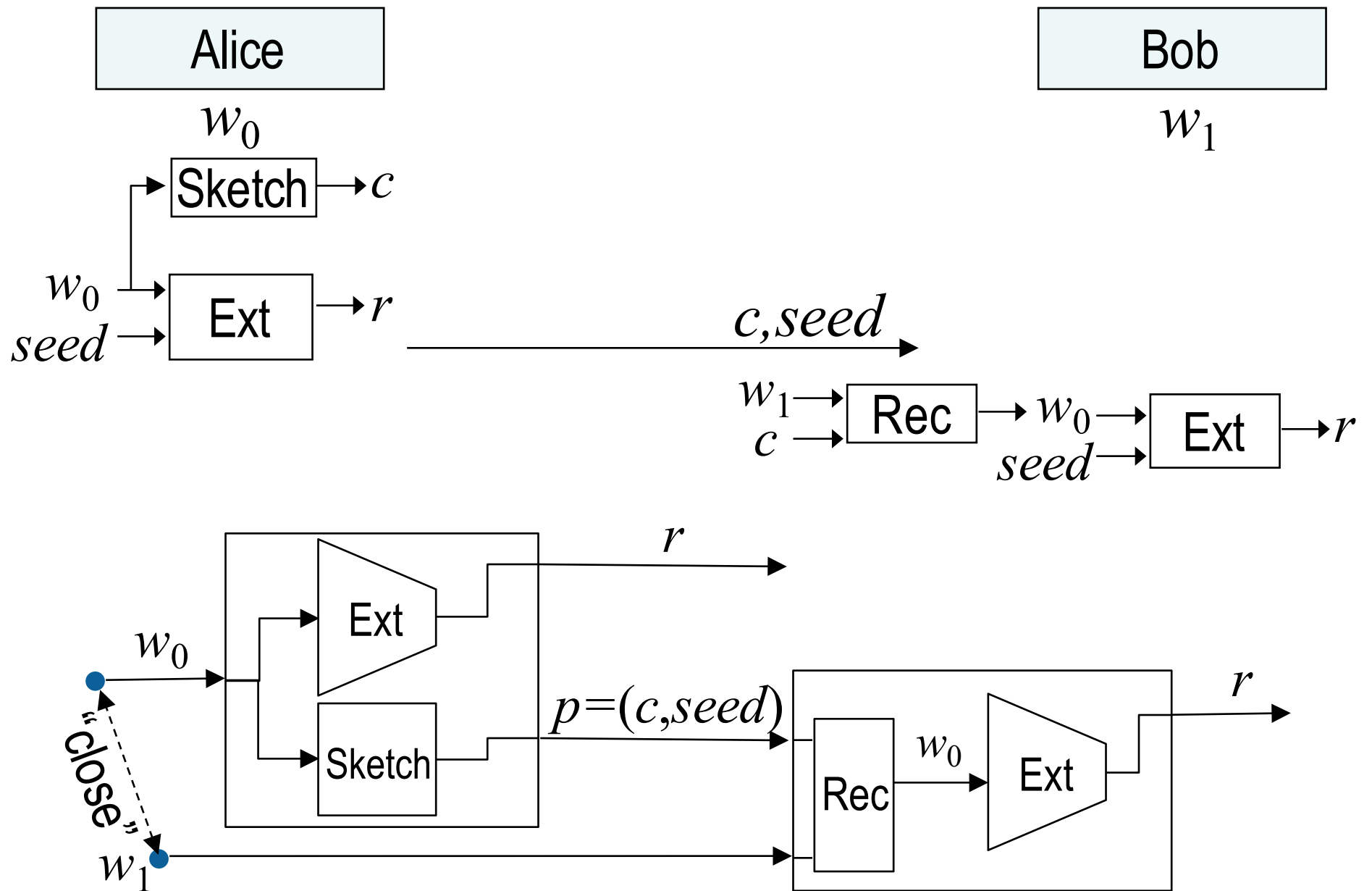
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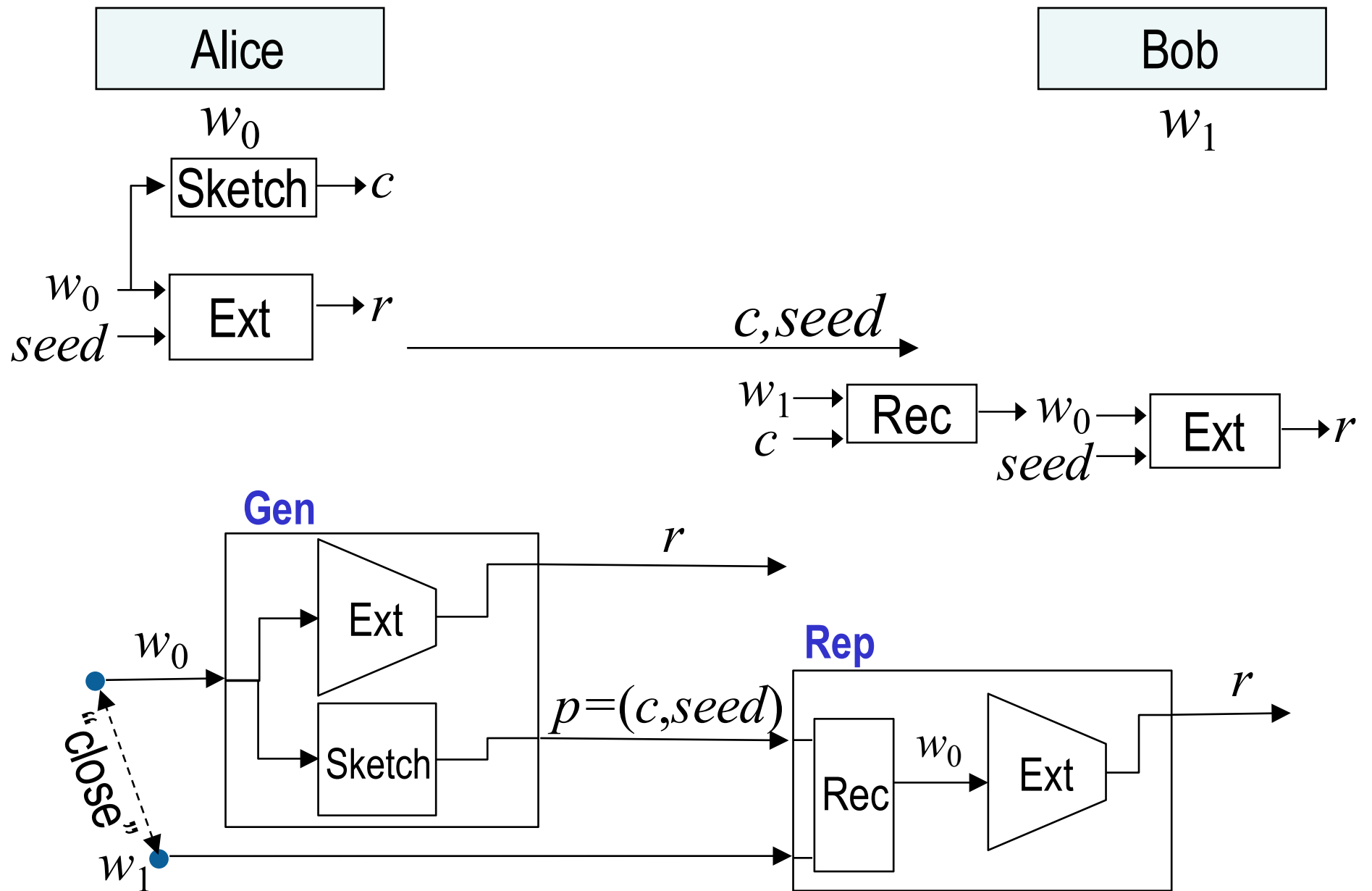
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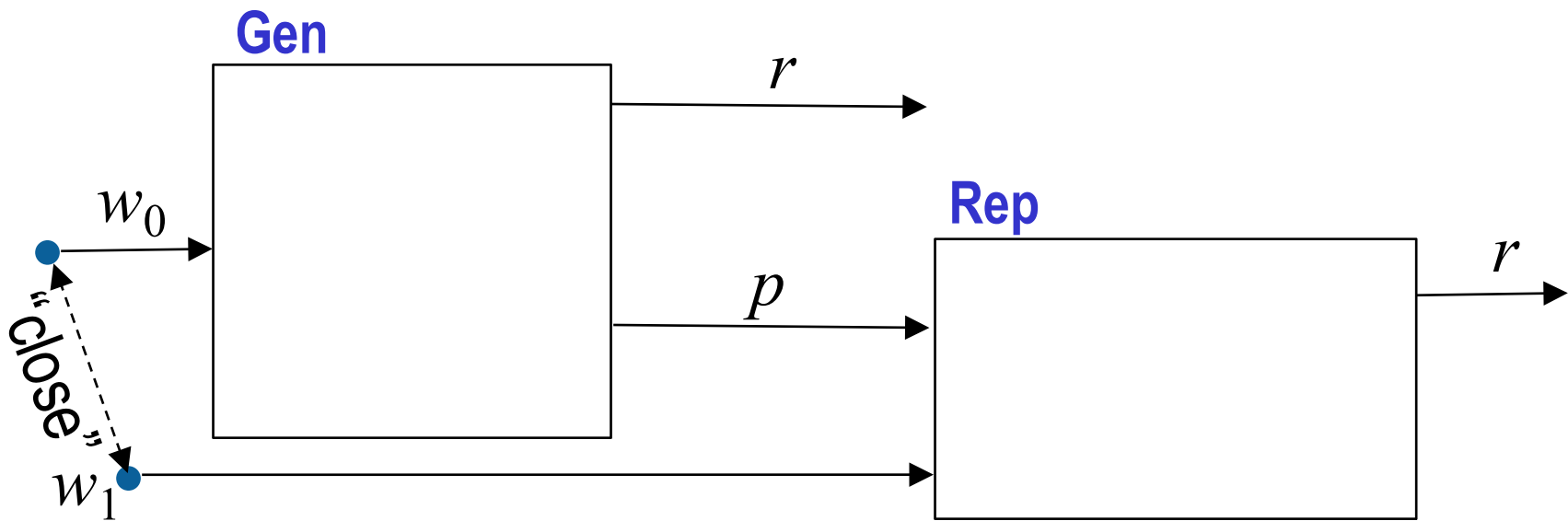
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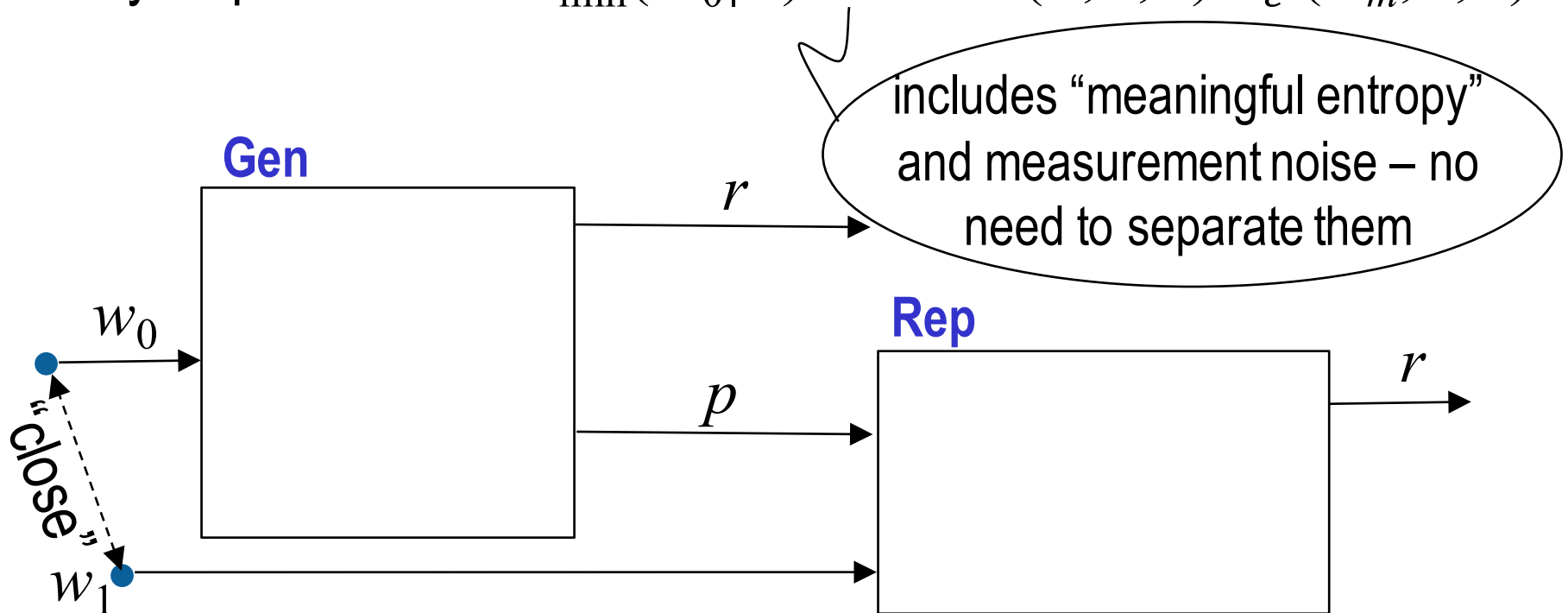
Fuzzy Extractors

Single message information reconciliation + privacy amplification
= fuzzy extractor [Dodis-Ostrovsky-R-Smith 04]

Definition of fuzzy extractors:

Functionality requirement: if w_0 and w_1 are close, then Rep gets r

Security requirement: if $H_{\min}(W_0|E) \geq k$ then $(R,P,E) \approx_{\epsilon} (U_m,P,E)$



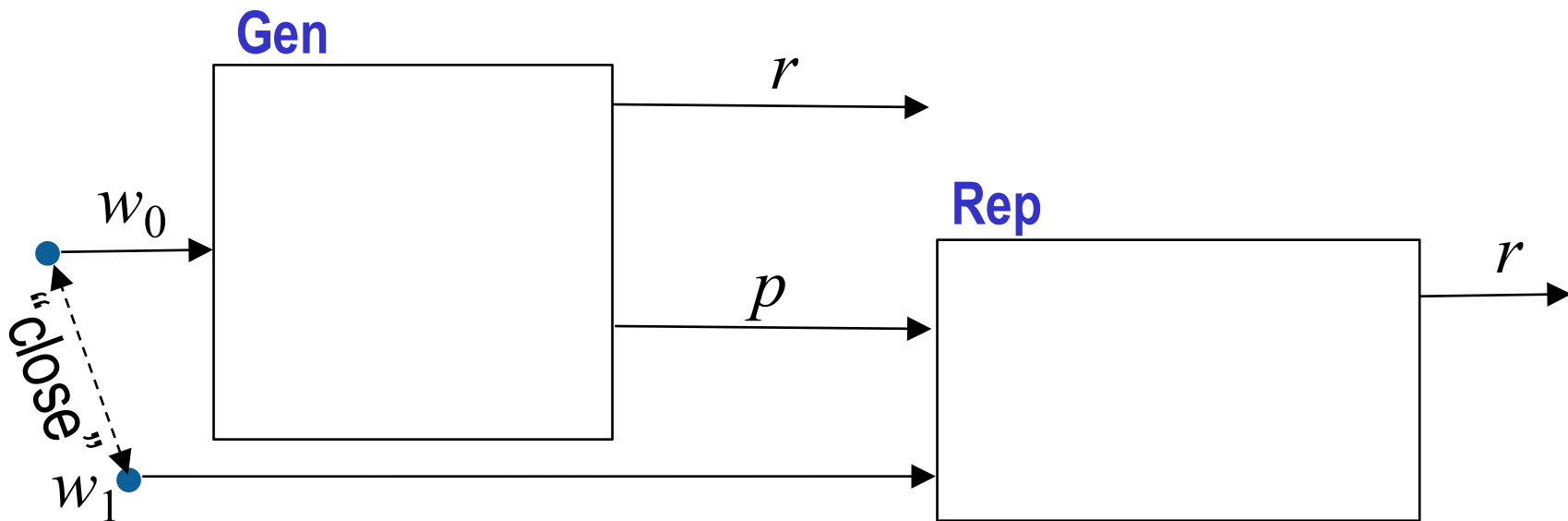
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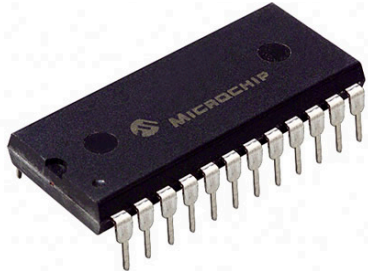
Can think of other constructions (not sketch+extract, computational)
[Canetti-Fuller-Paneth-R.-Smith Eurocrypt '15]

Single message p can be sent into the future!



Advantages of single-message protocols

Physically Unclonable Functions (PUFs)



Biometric Data



High-entropy sources are often noisy

- Initial reading $w_0 \neq$ later reading reading w_1 , but is close

Fuzzy Extractor can derive a stable,
cryptographically strong output

- At initial enrollment of w_0 , use Gen, store p
- All subsequent readings $w_1, w_2 \dots$ map to same output using Rep

Use r for any crypto scheme—e.g., a key to encrypt your sensitive data

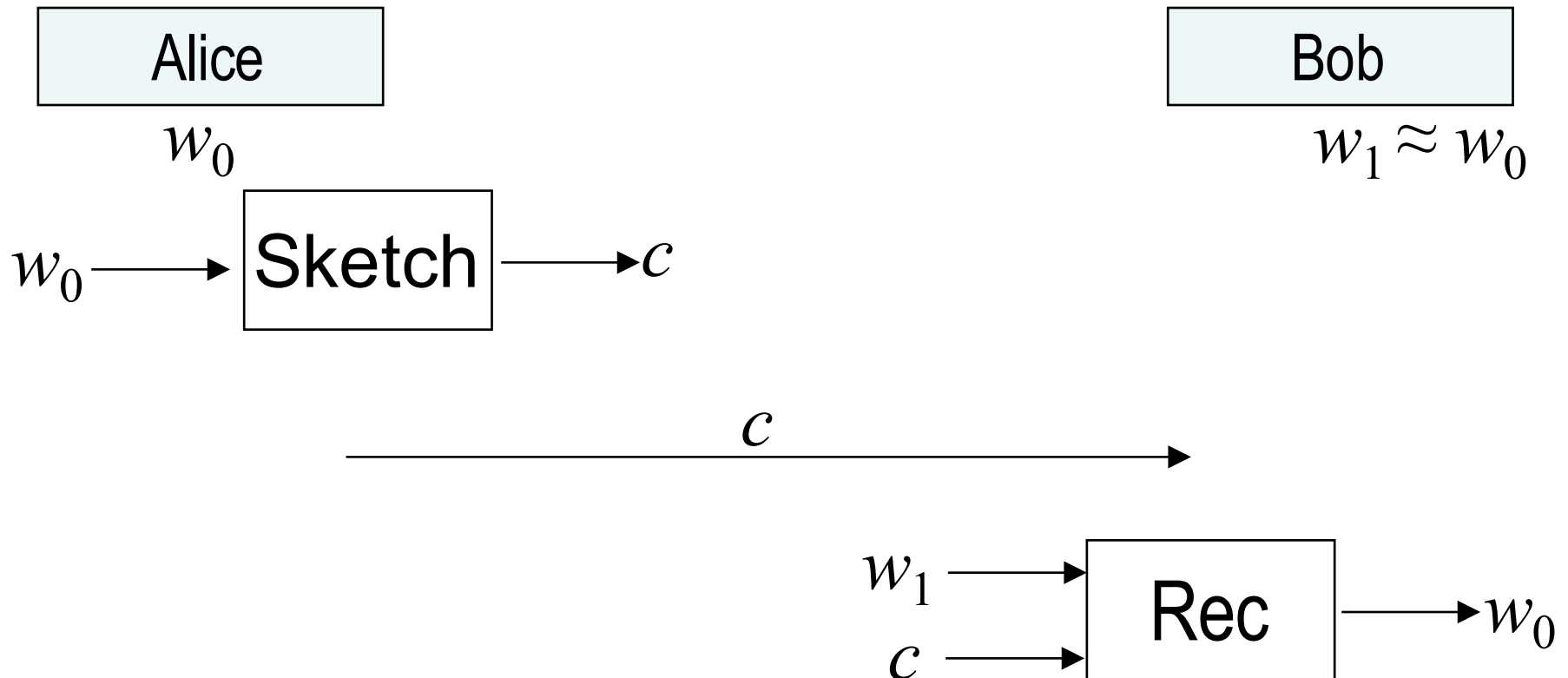
- E.g., self-enforcing, rather than server-enforced, authorization

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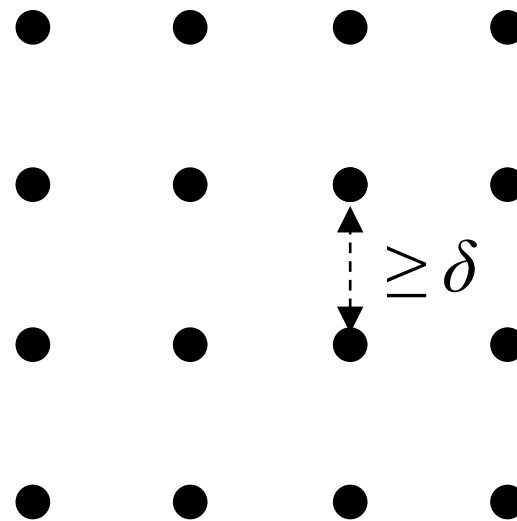
Focus for now: \approx means Hamming distance

(w_0 and w_1 are strings over $\text{GF}(q)$ that differ in $\leq t$ positions)

background: error-correcting codes

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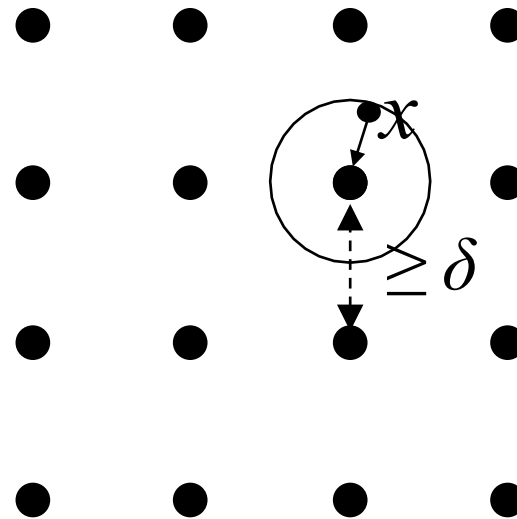
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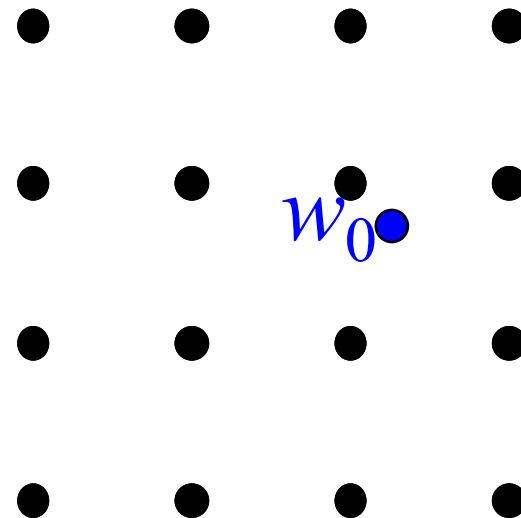
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- Think of decoding x as finding nearest codeword
- Efficiency of decoding and parameters n, μ, δ depend on the code



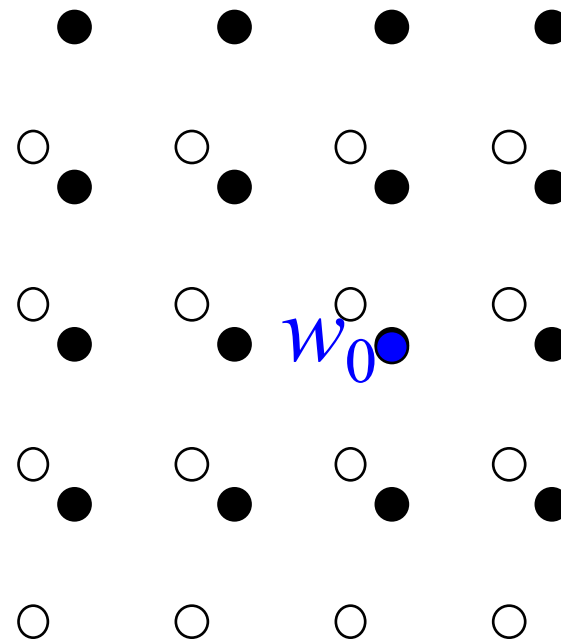
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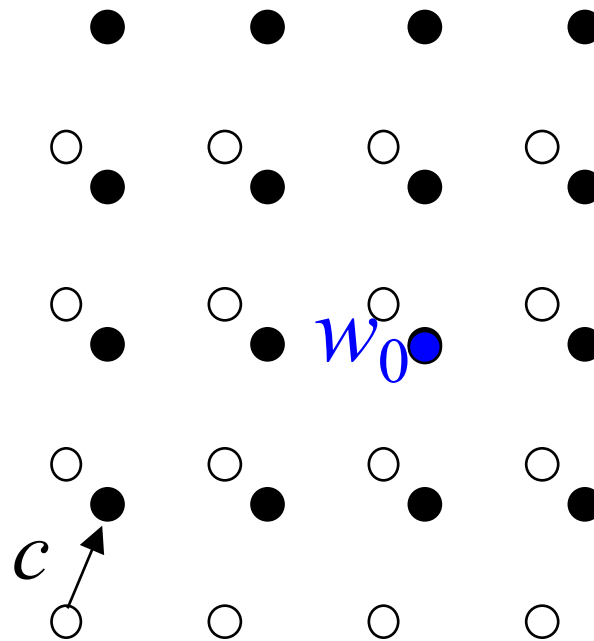
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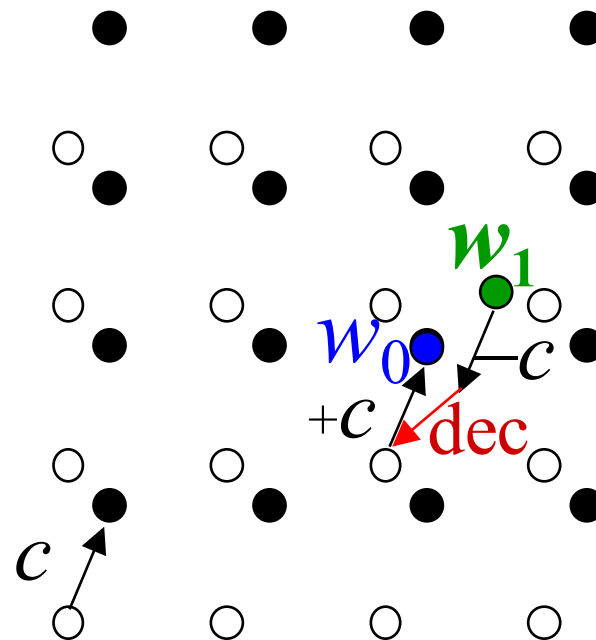
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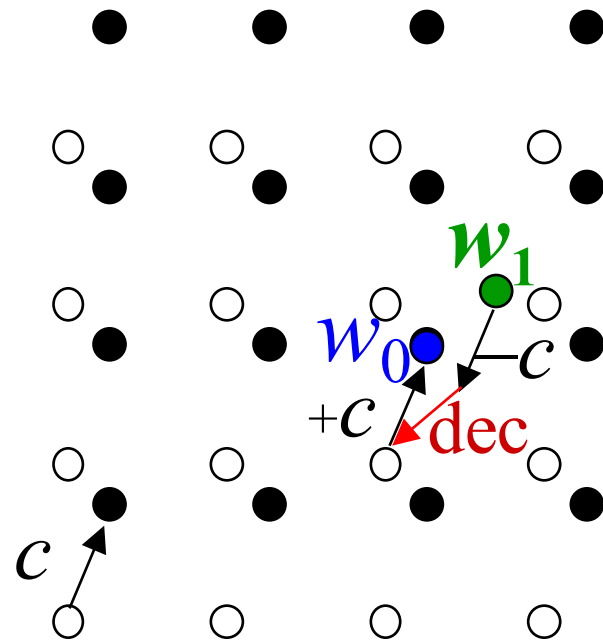
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- Another view:
 w_0 is a one-time-pad
for a message that's been
encoded with the error-correcting code, so w_1 can decrypt



security analysis

$(n, \mu, \delta)_q$ code $\text{GF}(q)^\mu \rightarrow \text{GF}(q)^n$

$c = w_0$ – random codeword

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\min}(W_0 | E, C) &\geq H_{\min}(W_0, C | E) - H_{\max}(C) = \\ &= H_{\min}(W_0, C | E) - n \log q \\ &= H_{\min}(W_0 | E) + \mu \log q - n \log q \\ &= H_{\min}(W_0 | E) - (n - \mu) \log q \end{aligned}$$


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$c =$ uniform choice from $\{w_0 - \text{Ker } H\}$

Observe that $\{w_0 - \text{Ker } H\} = \{x: Hx = Hw_0\}$

(l.h.s. \subseteq r.h.s. by multiplication by H)

(l.h.s. \supseteq r.h.s. because $x = w_0 - (w_0 - x)$)

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Thus, $\text{Sketch}(w_0)$ can send Hw_0 (called “syndrome of w_0 ”)

and Rec can sample x by solving linear equations

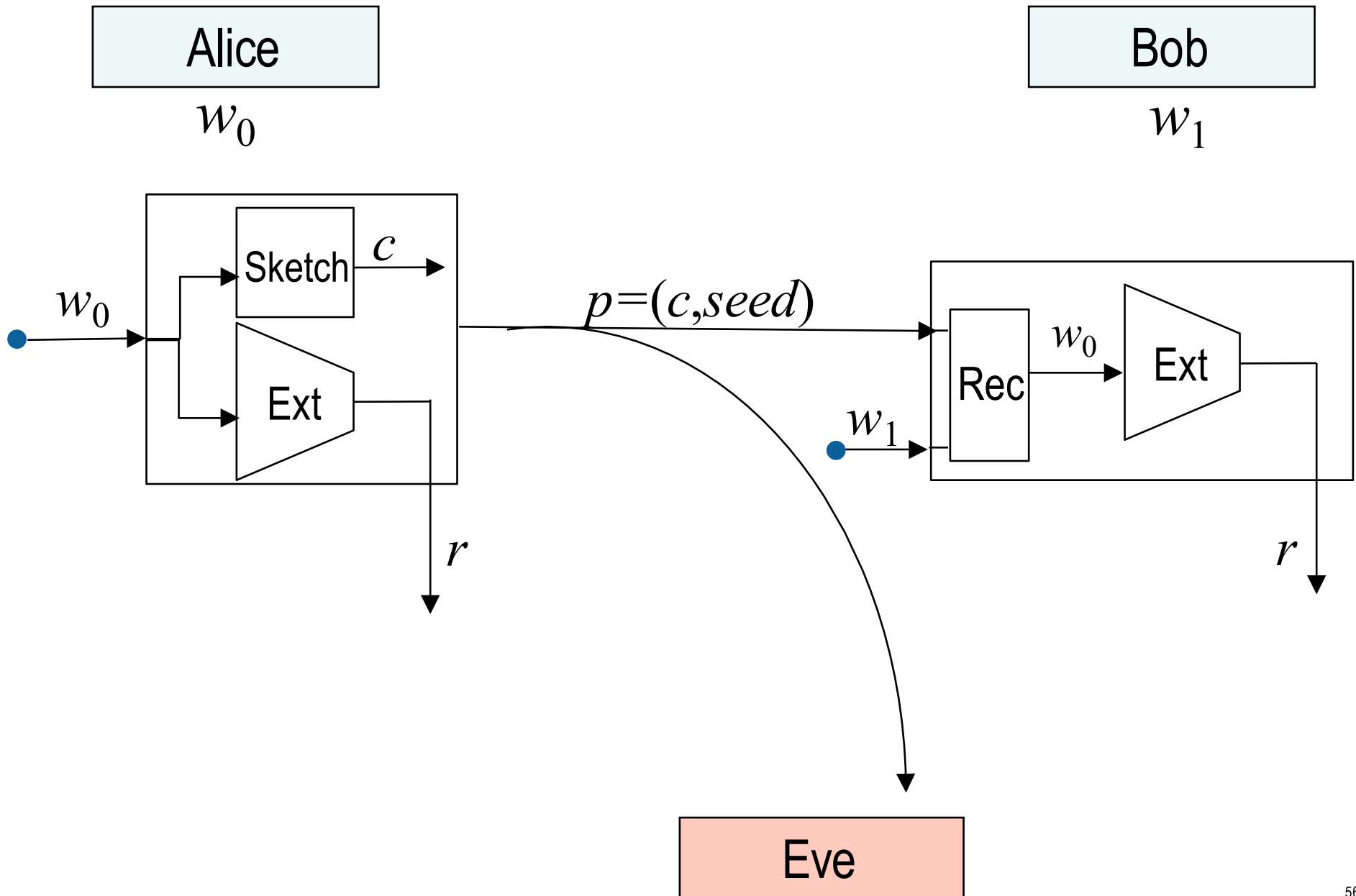
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syndrome or code-offset construction

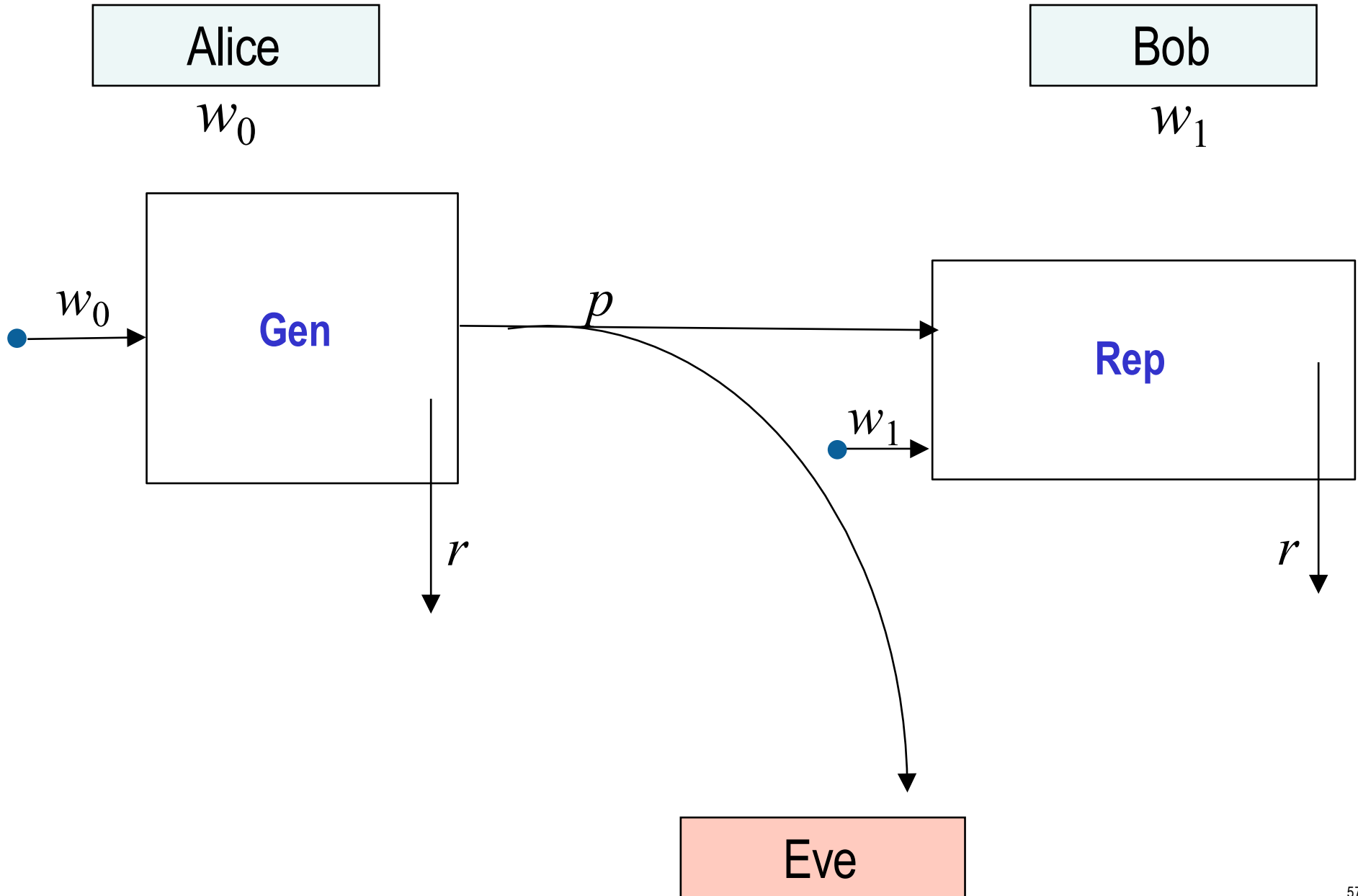
Sketch(w) = Hw OR Sketch(w) = w – random codeword

- If ECC μ symbols $\rightarrow n$ symbols and has distance δ :
 - Correct $\delta/2$ errors; entropy loss $l = n - \mu$ symbols
 - Higher error-tolerance means higher entropy loss (trade error-tolerance for security)
 - Can be viewed as redundant one-time pad
 - Hard to improve without losing generality (e.g., working only for some distributions of inputs, for example,
[Yu et al. CHES 2011, Fuller et al. Asiacrypt 2016, Woodage et al. Crypto 2017])
- Construction is old but keeps being rediscovered
 - [Bennett-Brassard-Robert 1985] (from systematic codes),
 - [Bennet-Brassard-Crépeau-Skubiszewska 1991] (syndrome),
 - [Juels-Watenberg 2002] (code-offset)

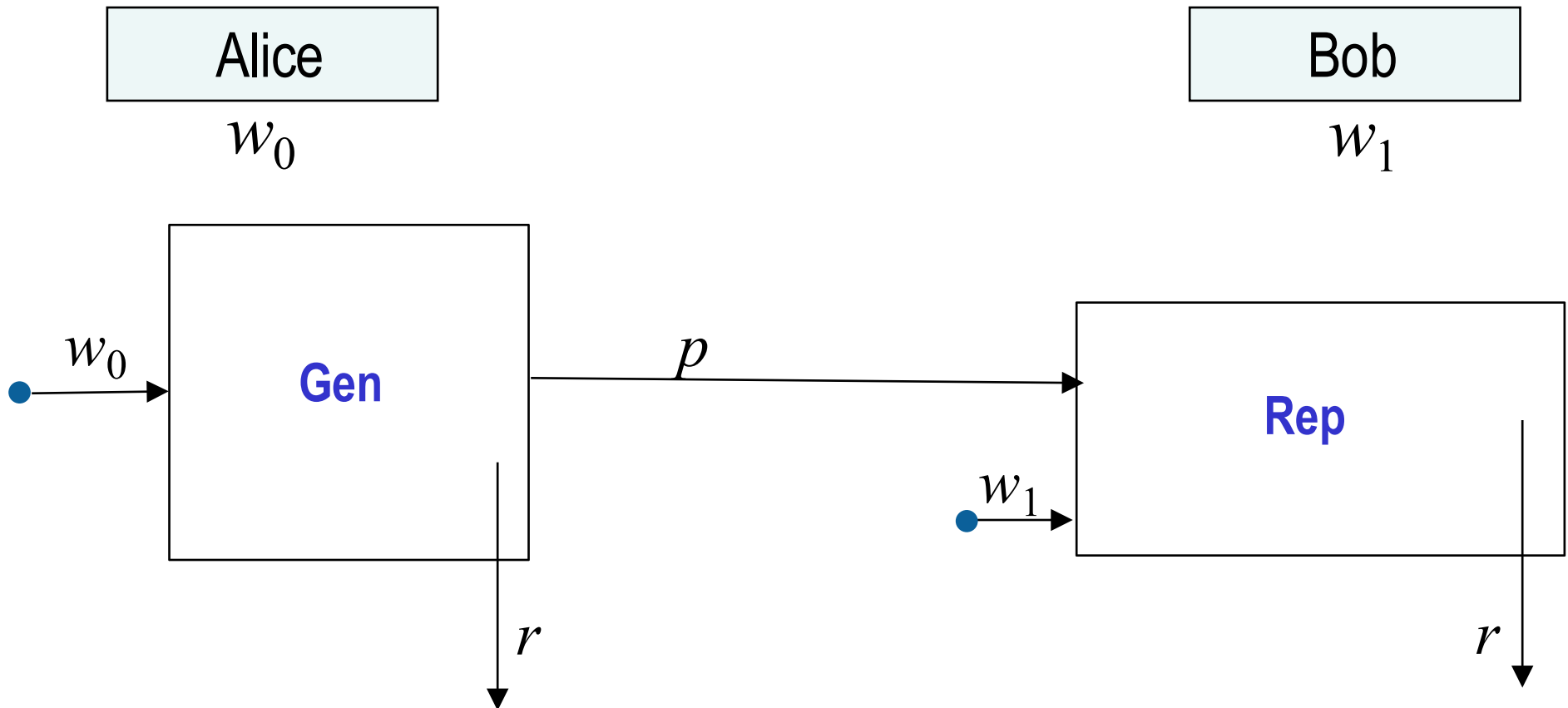
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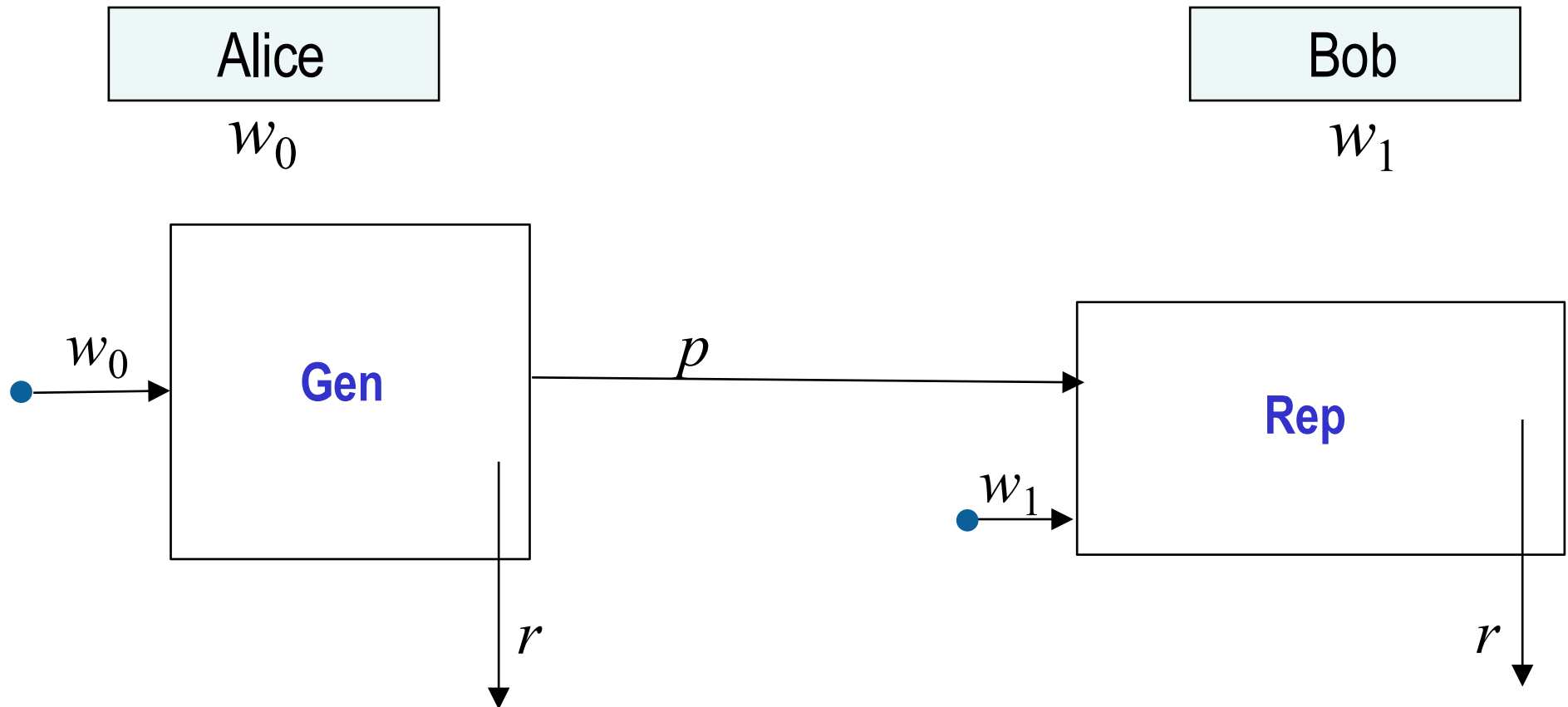


- Fuzzy extractors exist for other distances besides Hamming, including set difference, edit distance, point-set distance
- Some make specific assumptions on input distribution, some are computational rather than info-theoretic

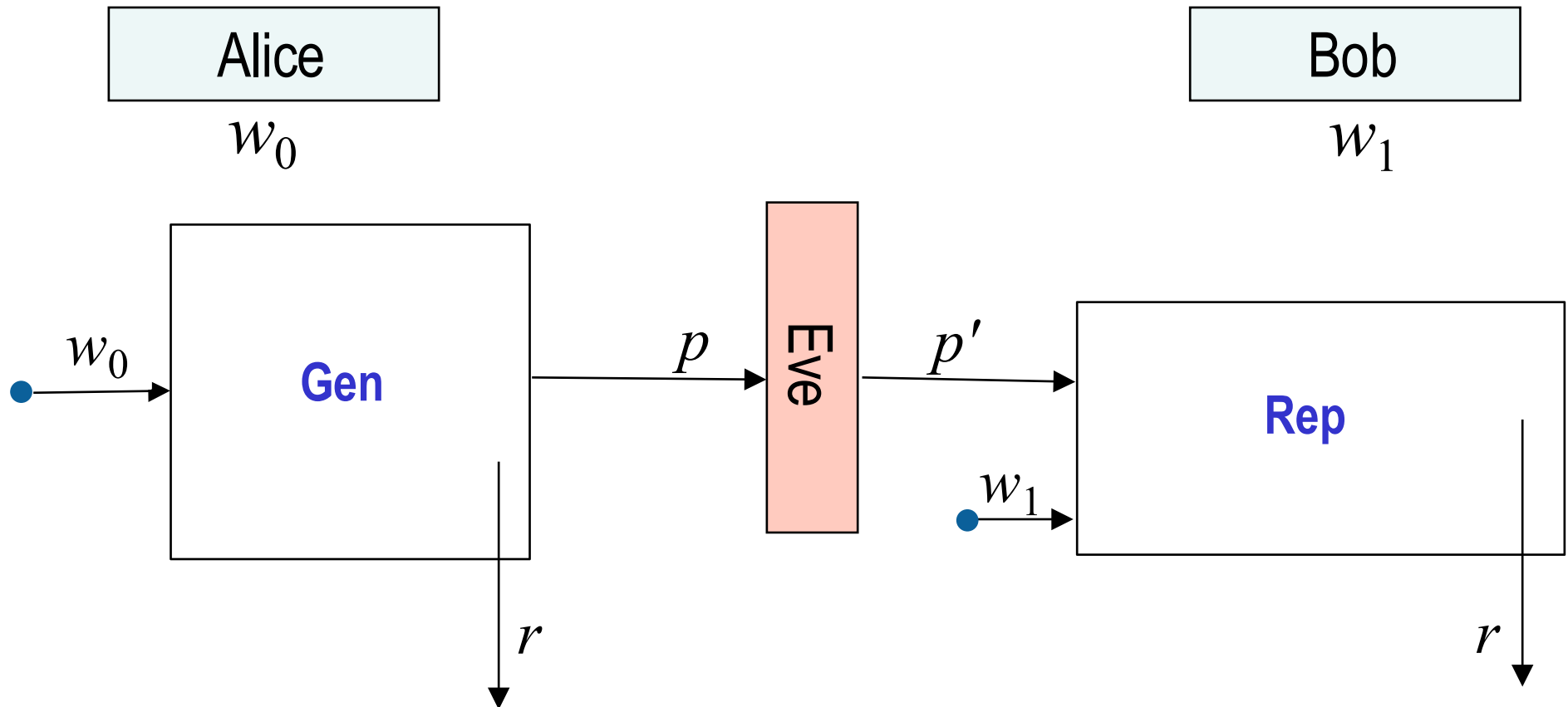
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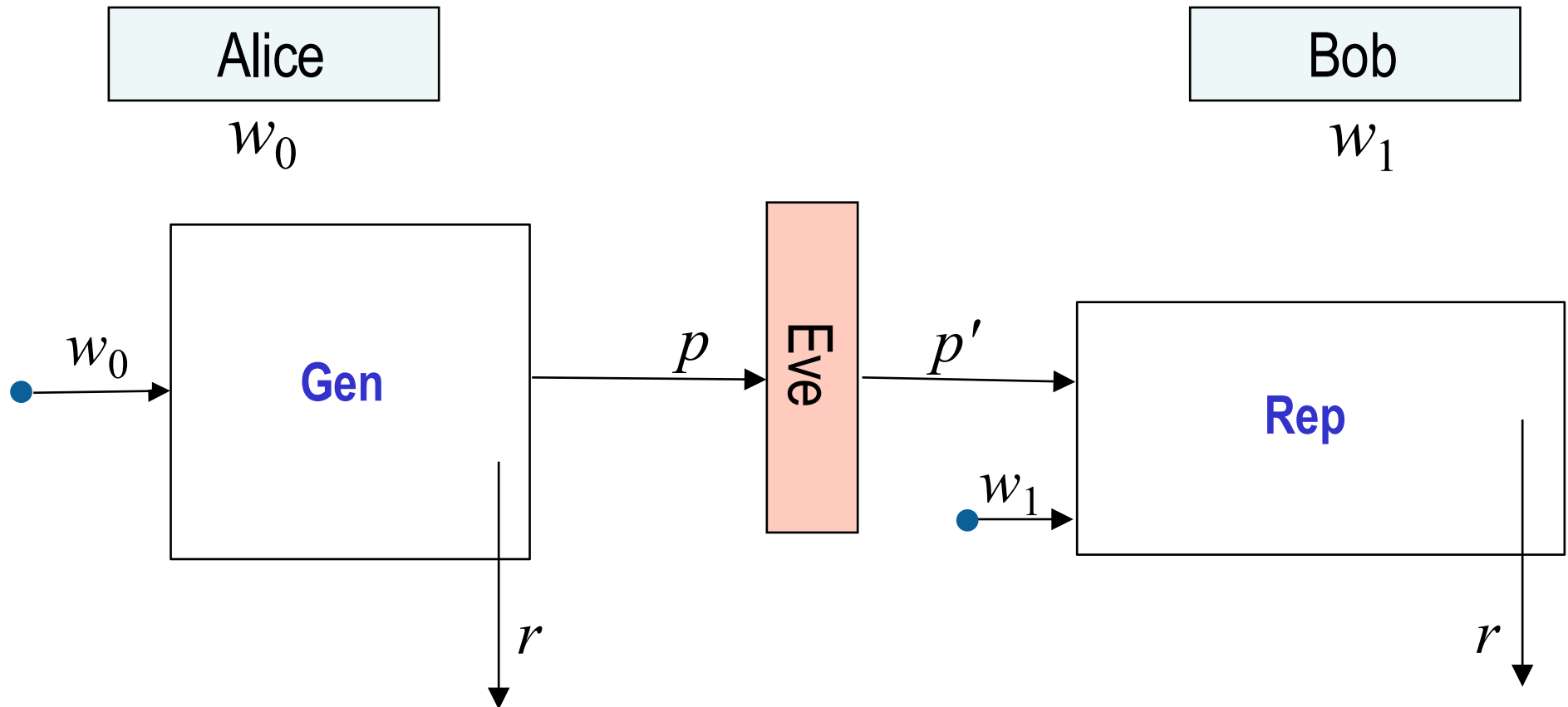
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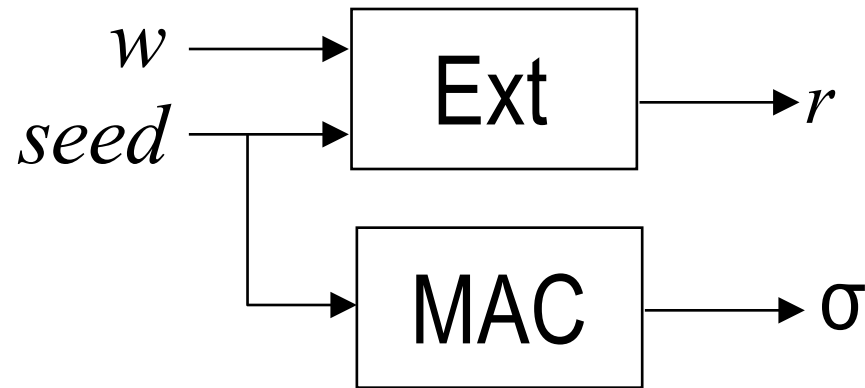


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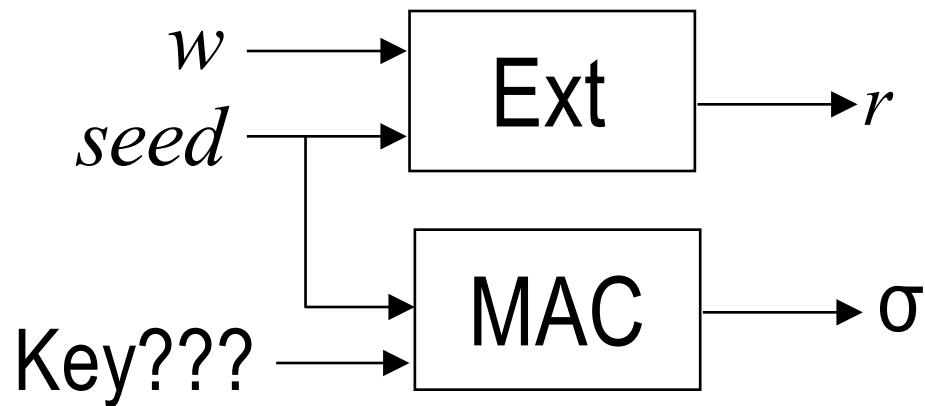


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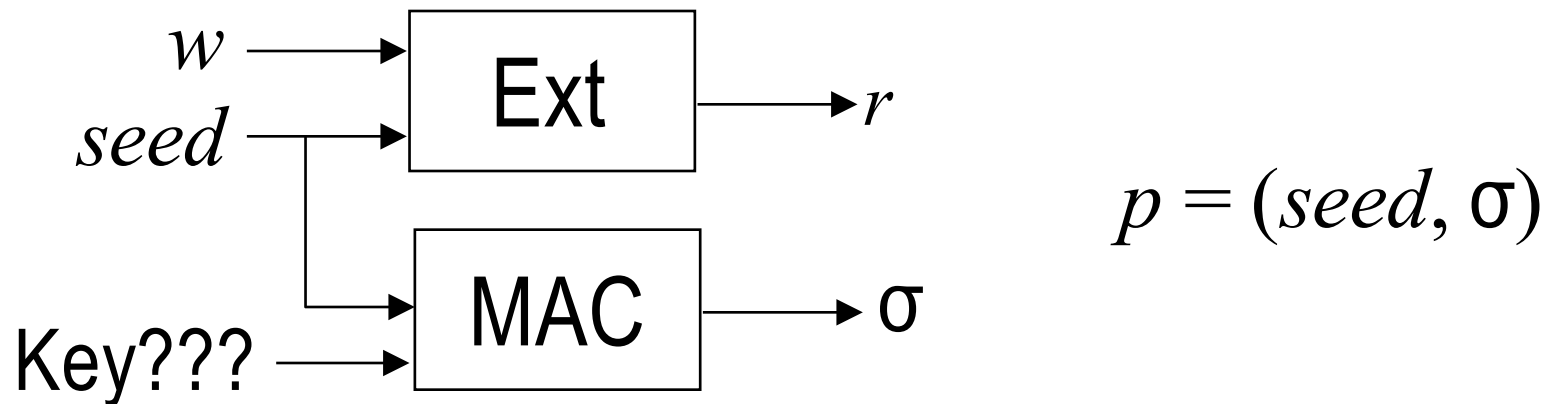


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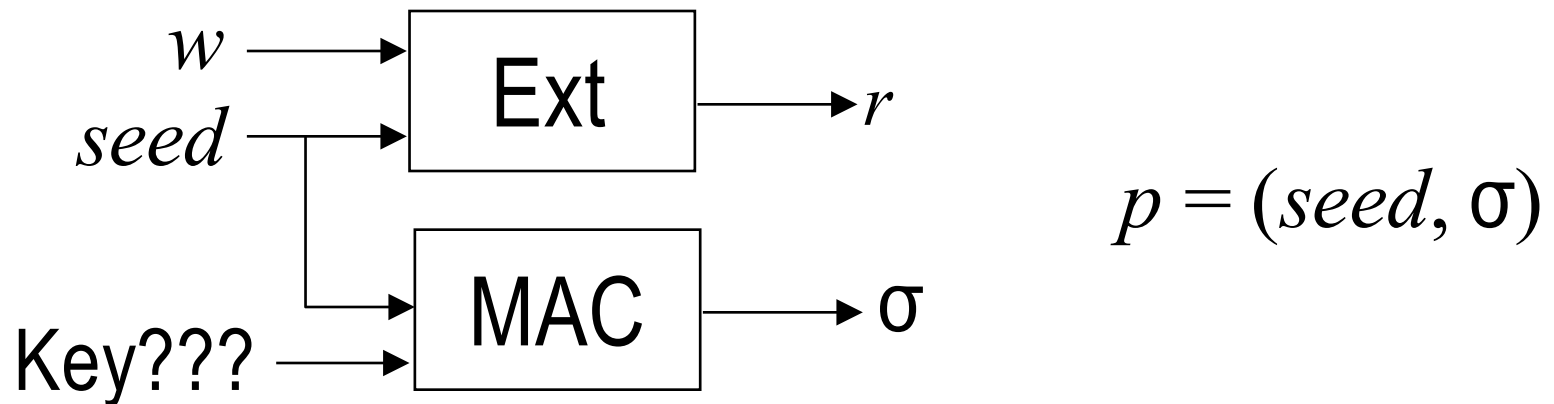


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Circularity!

$seed$ extracts from w
 w authenticates $seed$

background: XOR-universal functions and MACs

- Define $f_a(\cdot)$ with v -bit outputs to be XOR-universal if
$$(\forall i \neq j, y) \Pr_a [f_a(i) \oplus f_a(j) = y] = 1/2^v$$
- Fact: $f_a(i) = ai$ is XOR-universal (b/c linear + uniform)
- Define $\text{MAC}_\kappa(\cdot)$ to be a δ -secure one-time message authentication code (MAC) if $\Pr[\text{Eve wins}]$ is at most δ :
 - Pick a random κ ; ask Eve for i and give Eve $\sigma_i = \text{MAC}_\kappa(i)$
 - Eve wins by outputting $j \neq i$ and $\sigma_j = \text{MAC}_\kappa(j)$
- Claim: if $f_a(\cdot)$ is XOR-universal then
$$\text{MAC}_{a,b}(i) = f_a(i) \oplus b$$
 is a $1/2^v$ secure MAC
 - Proof: guessing $\sigma_j \Leftrightarrow$ guessing $f_a(i) \oplus f_a(j)$, but b hides a
- Thus $\text{MAC}_{a,b}(i) = ai + b$ is a $1/2^v$ -secure MAC ($|a|=|b|=|i|=v$)

background: MACs with imperfect keys

- $\Pr[\text{Eve wins}] = \mathbb{E}_{\kappa \text{ chosen uniformly}} \Pr[\text{Eve wins for key} = \kappa] \leq \delta$
- What if κ is not uniform but has min-entropy k ?

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{\kappa \text{ chosen from some entropy-}k \text{ distribution}} f(\kappa) &= \sum f(\kappa) \Pr[\kappa] \\ \text{(because } f \text{ is nonnegative)} &\leq \sum f(\kappa) 2^{-k} \\ &= 2^{|\kappa|-k} \sum f(\kappa) 2^{-|\kappa|} \\ &= 2^{|\kappa|-k} \mathbb{E}_{\kappa \text{ chosen uniformly}} f(\kappa) \\ &= 2^{|\kappa|-k} \delta \end{aligned}$$

- Security gets reduced by entropy deficiency!
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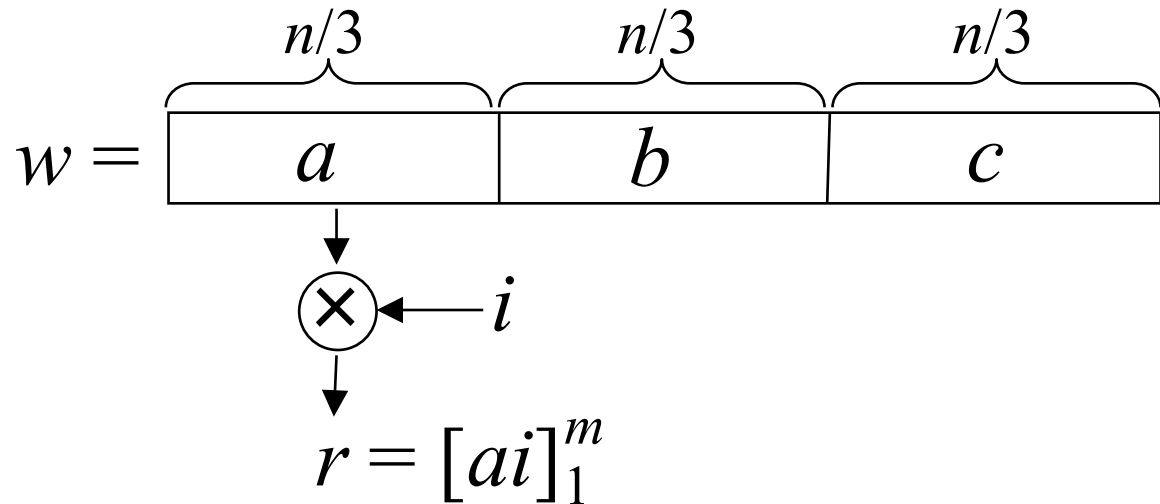
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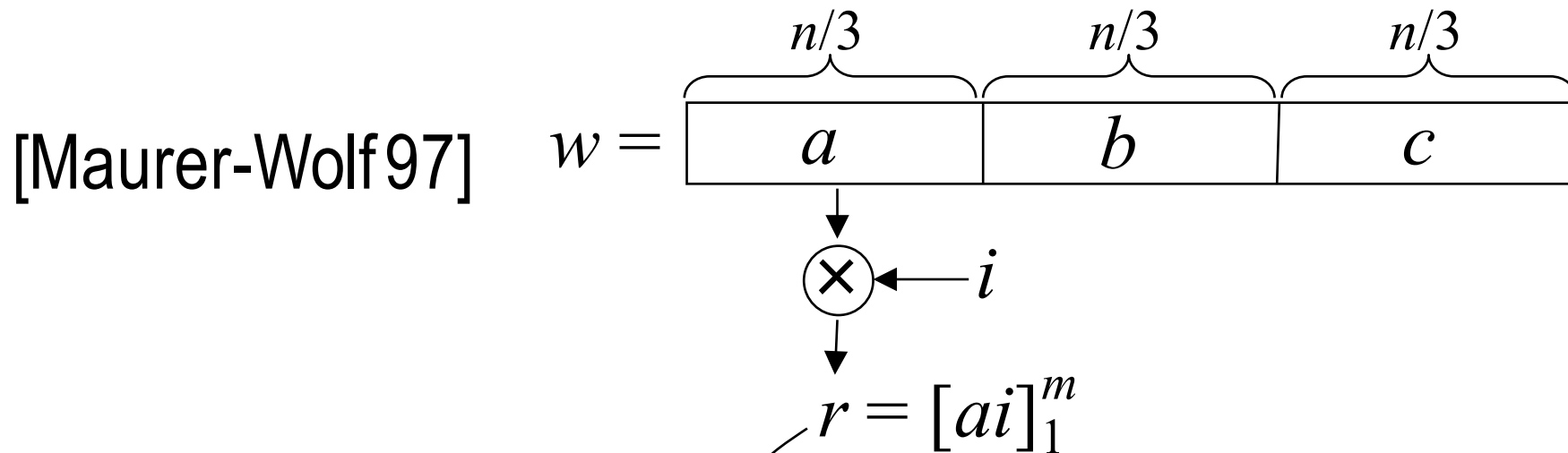
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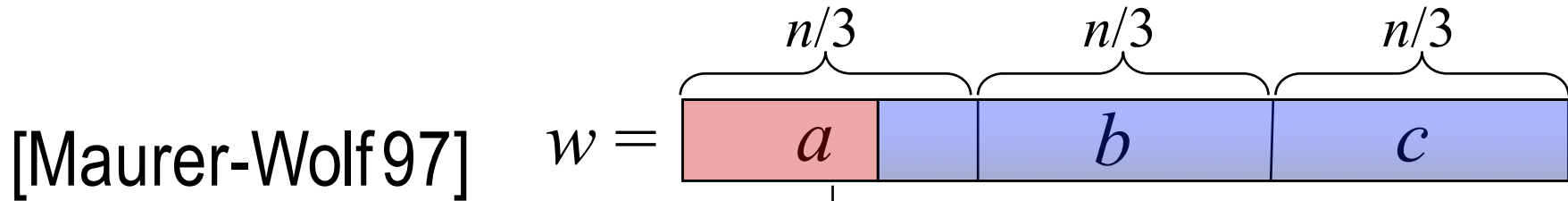


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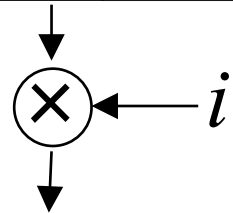
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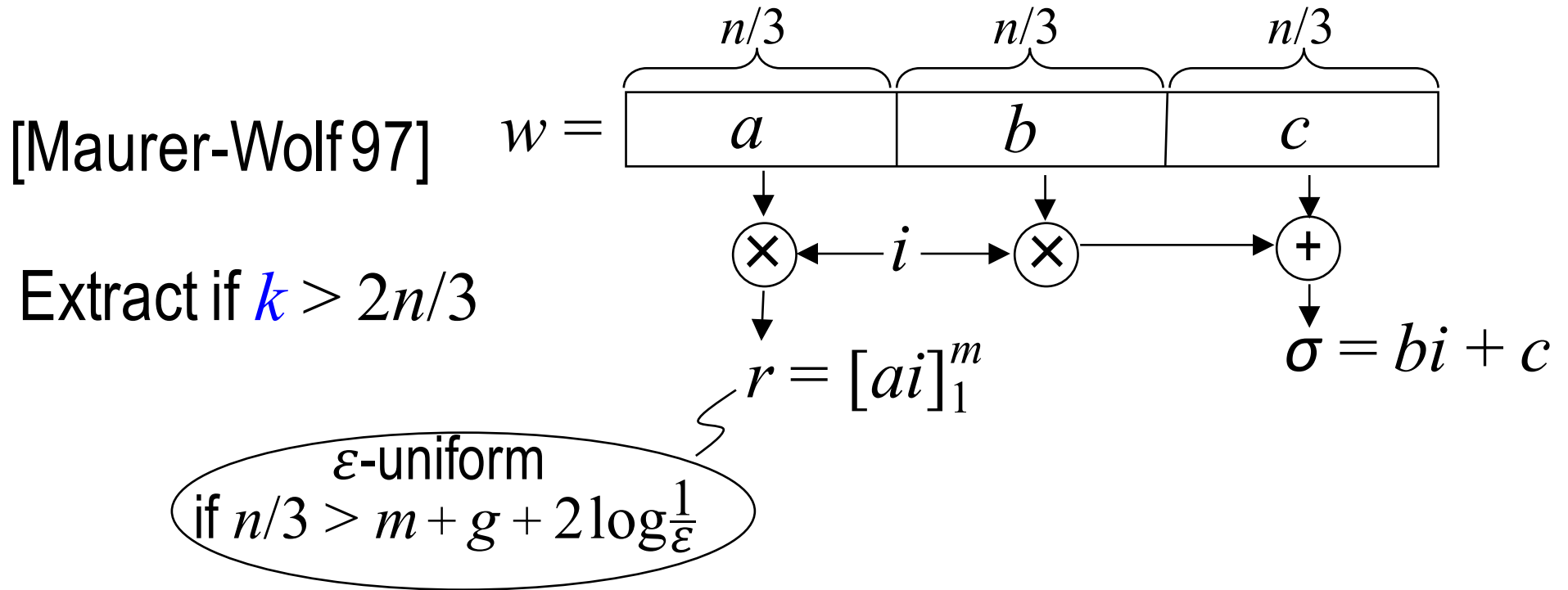
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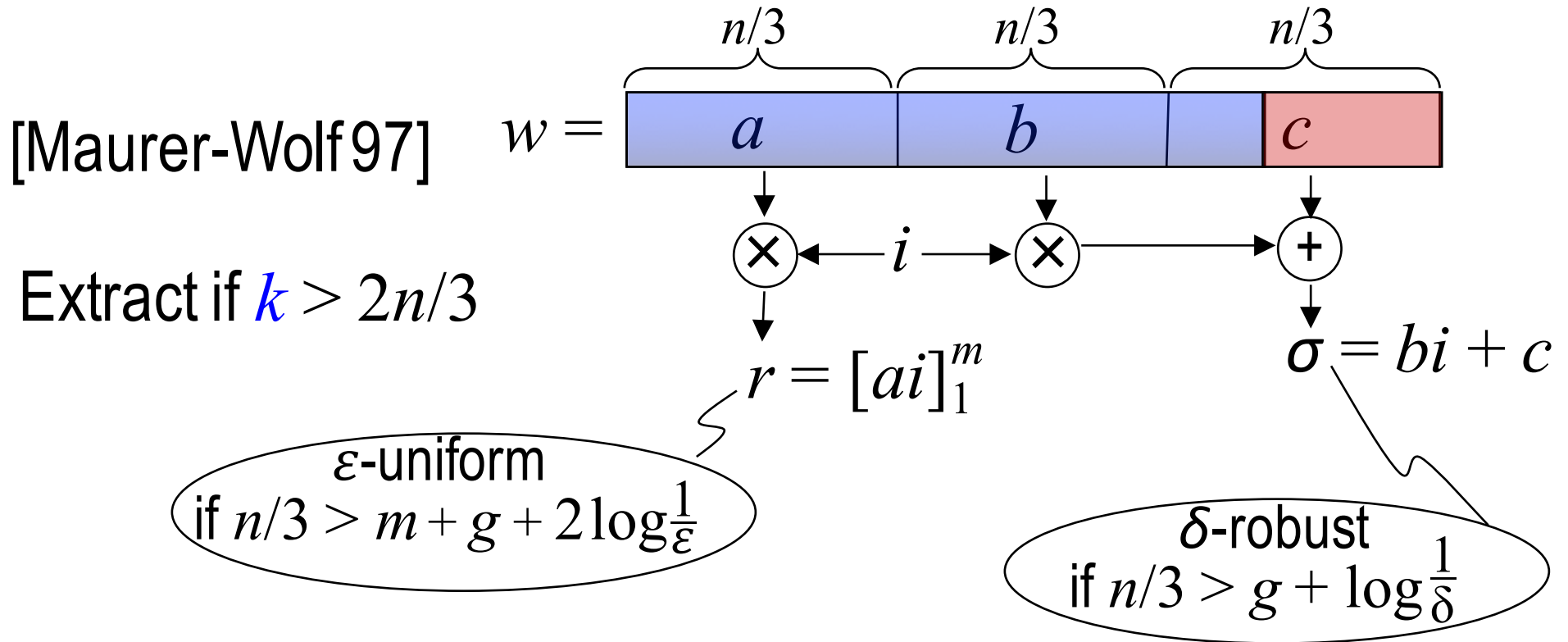
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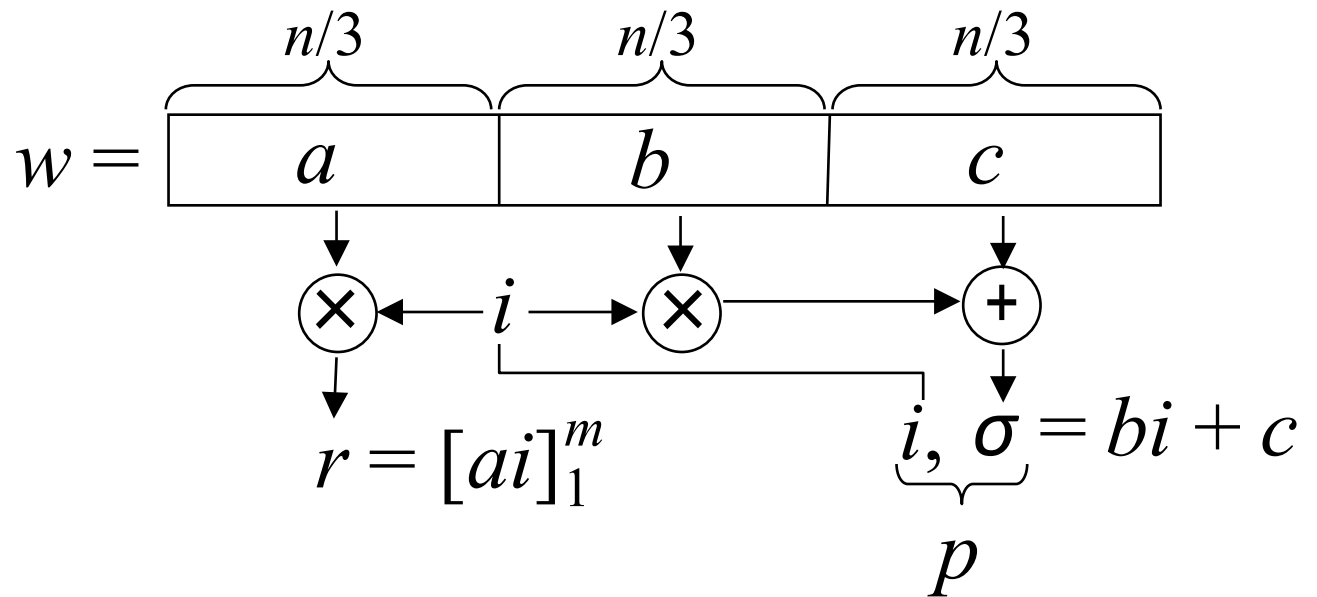


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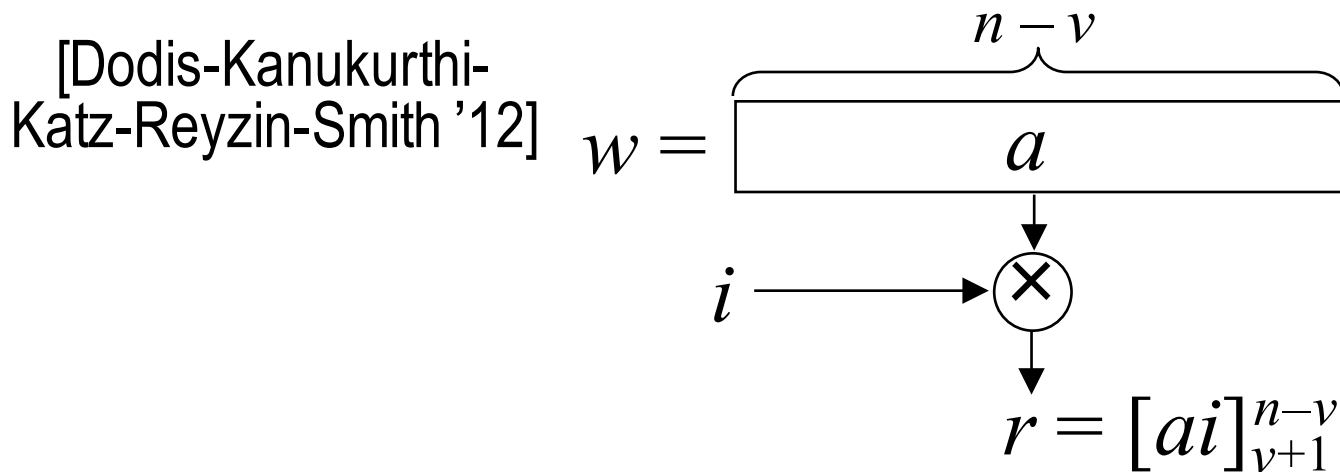
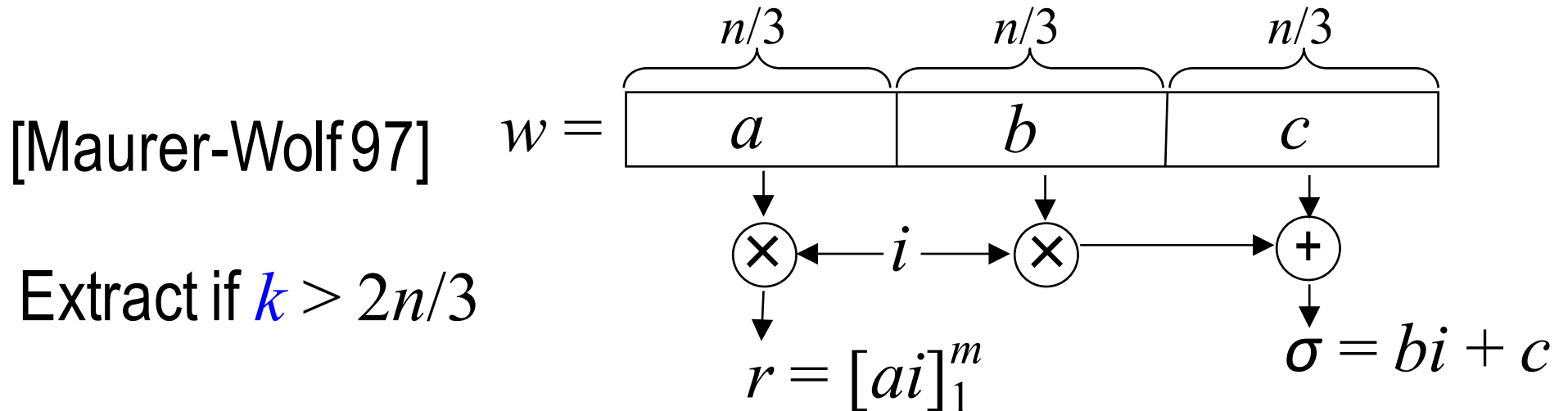


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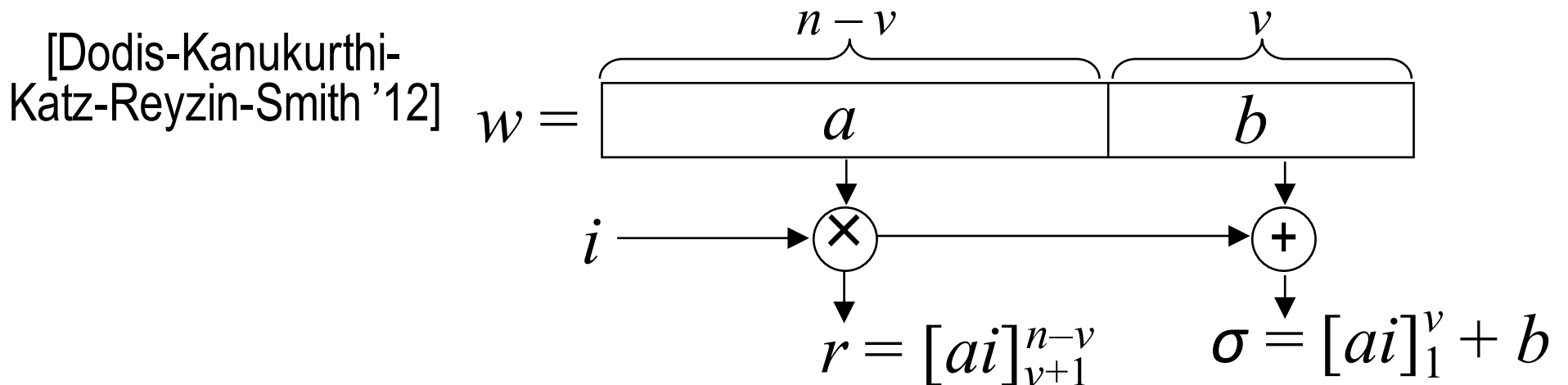
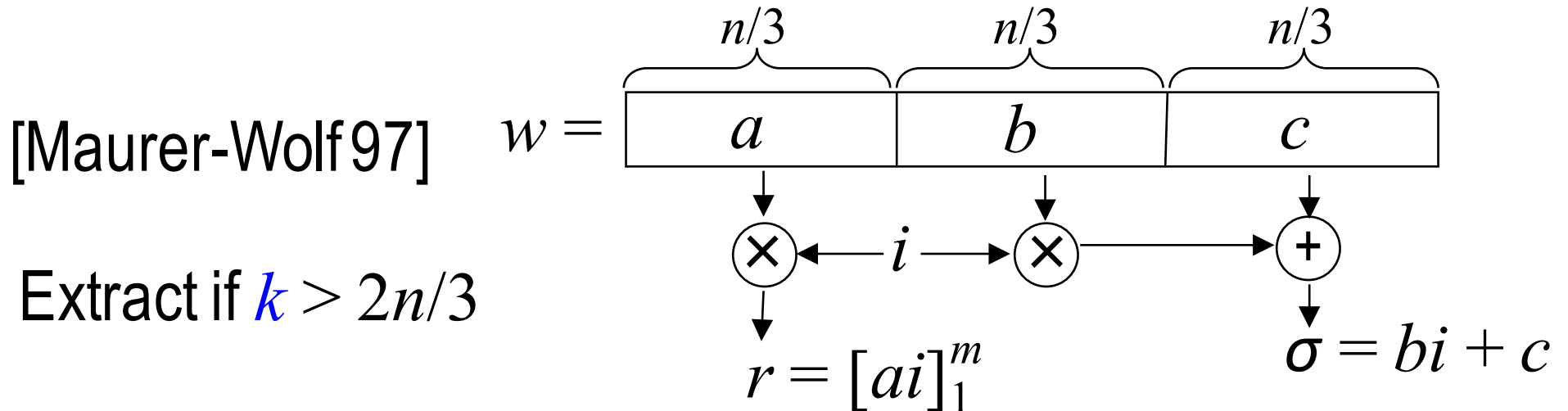
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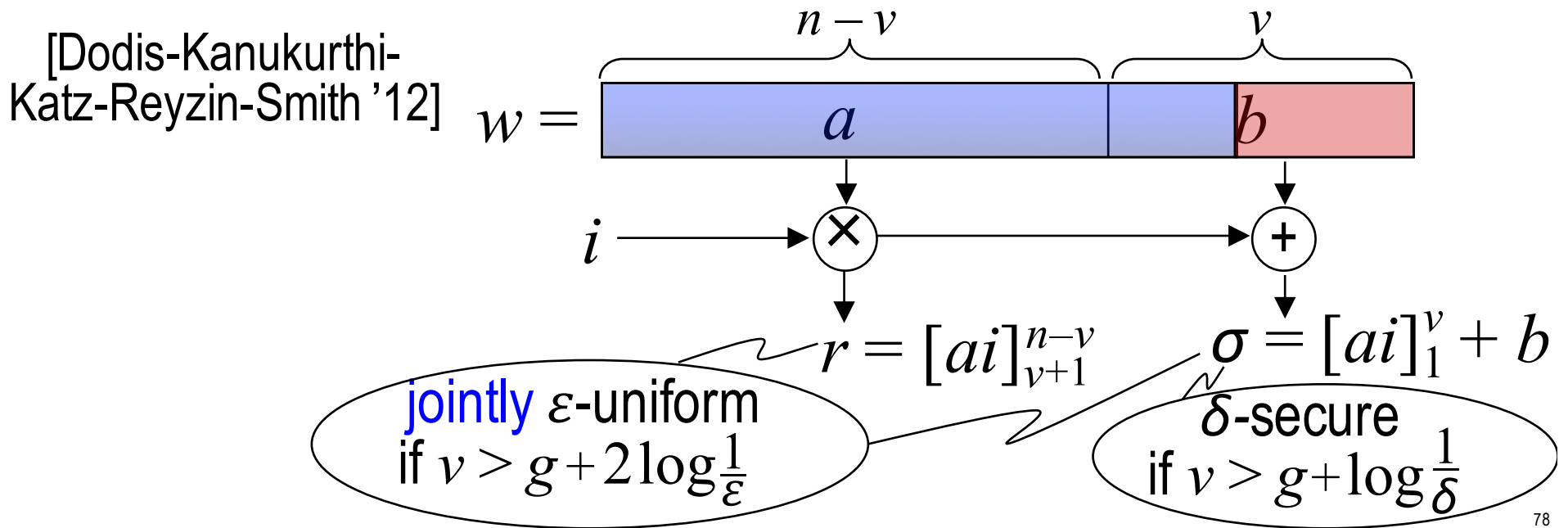
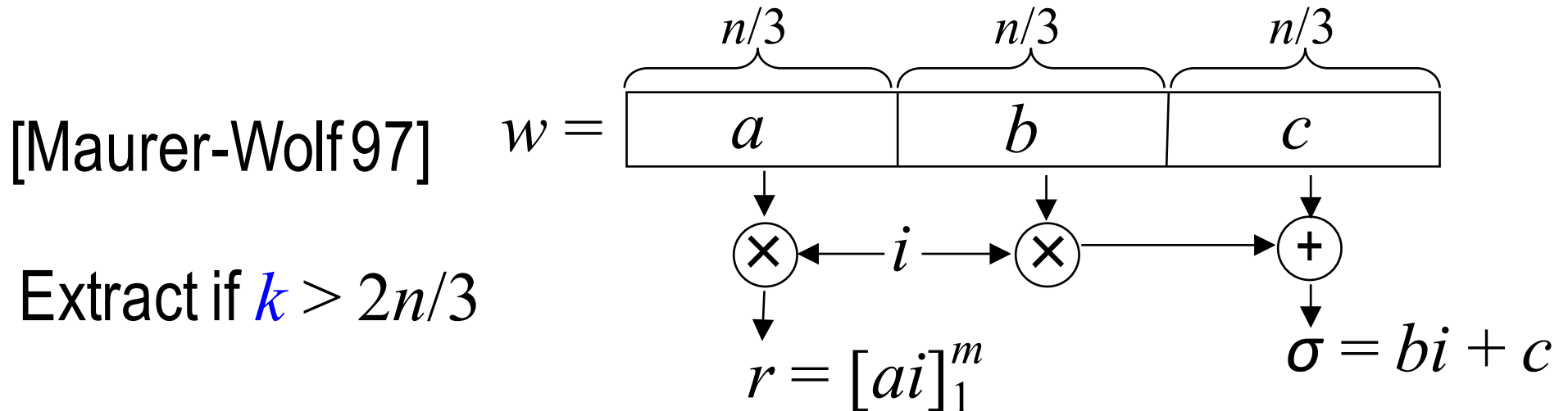
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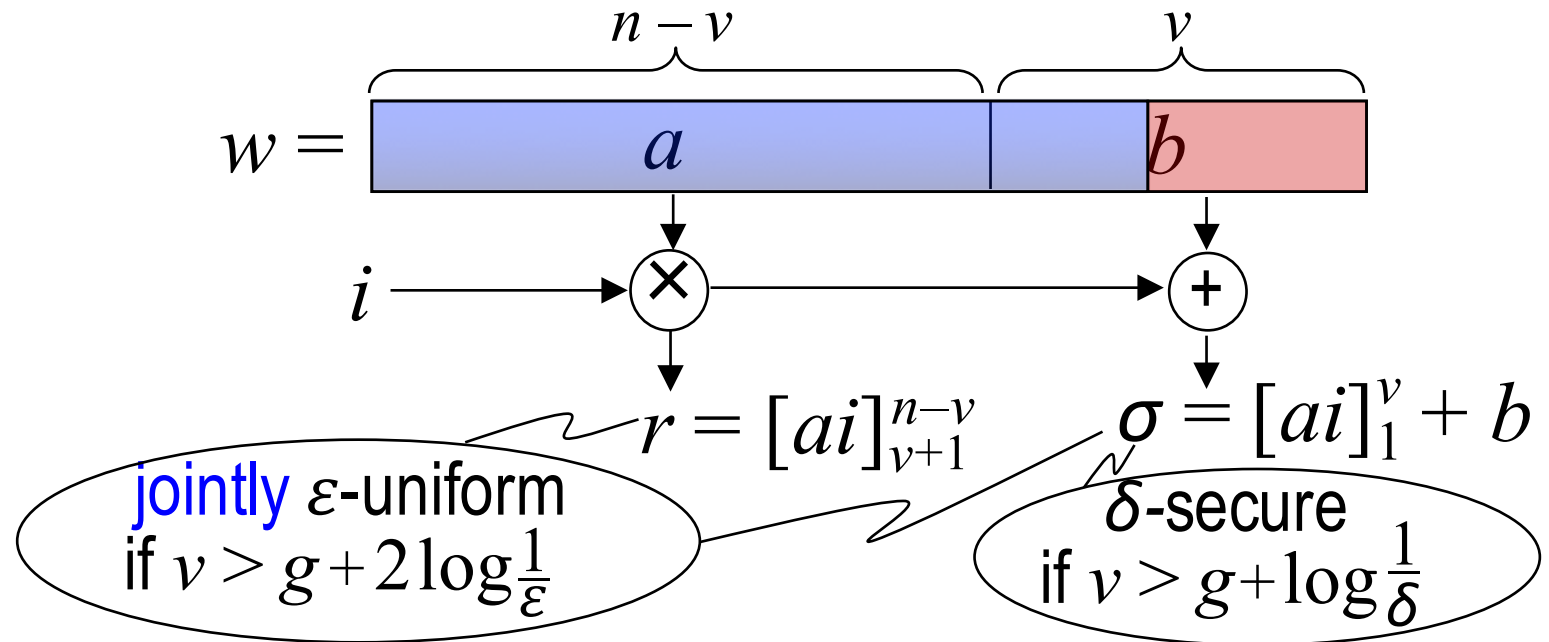
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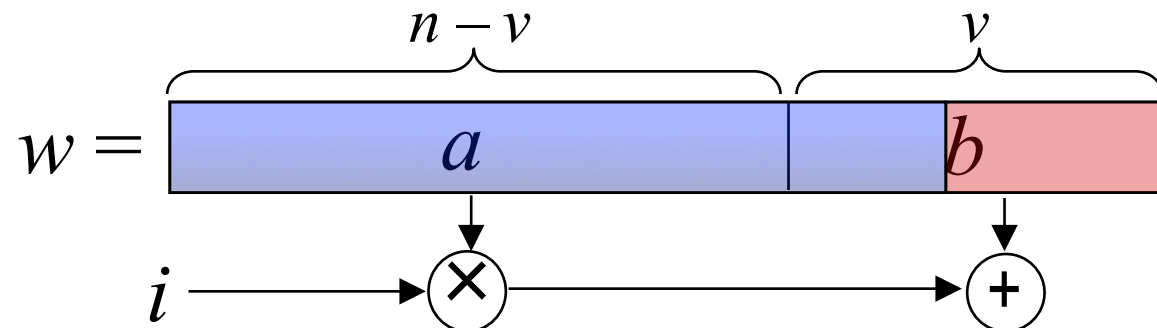


Analysis:

- Extraction: $(R, \sigma) = ai + b$ is a universal hash family (few collisions)
(i is the key, $w = (a, b)$ is the input) [ok by leftover hash lemma]
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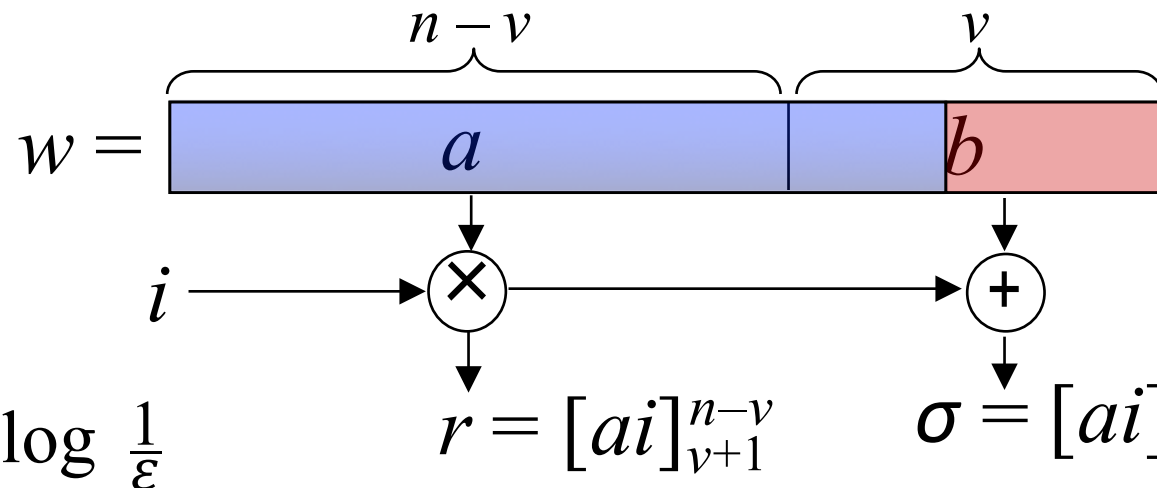
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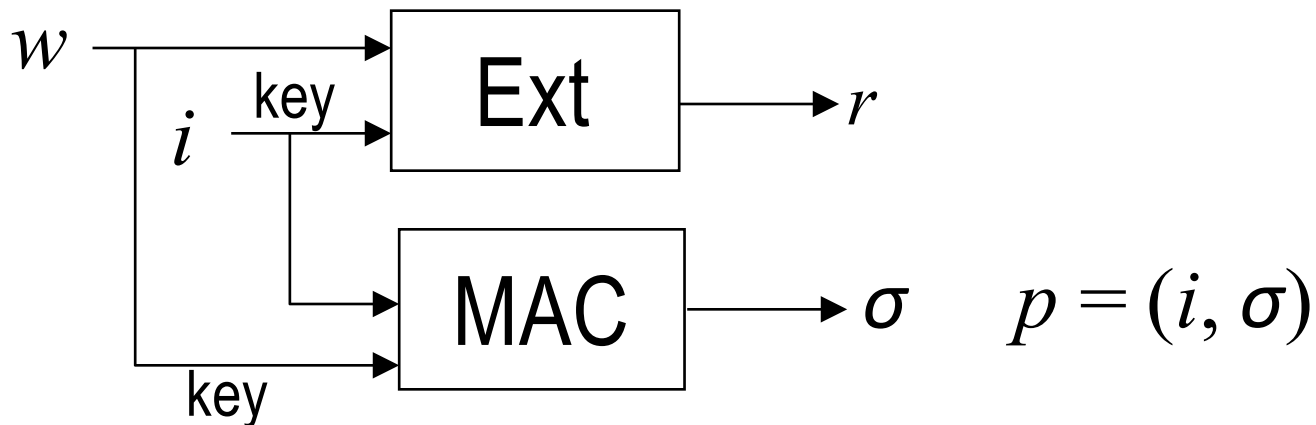
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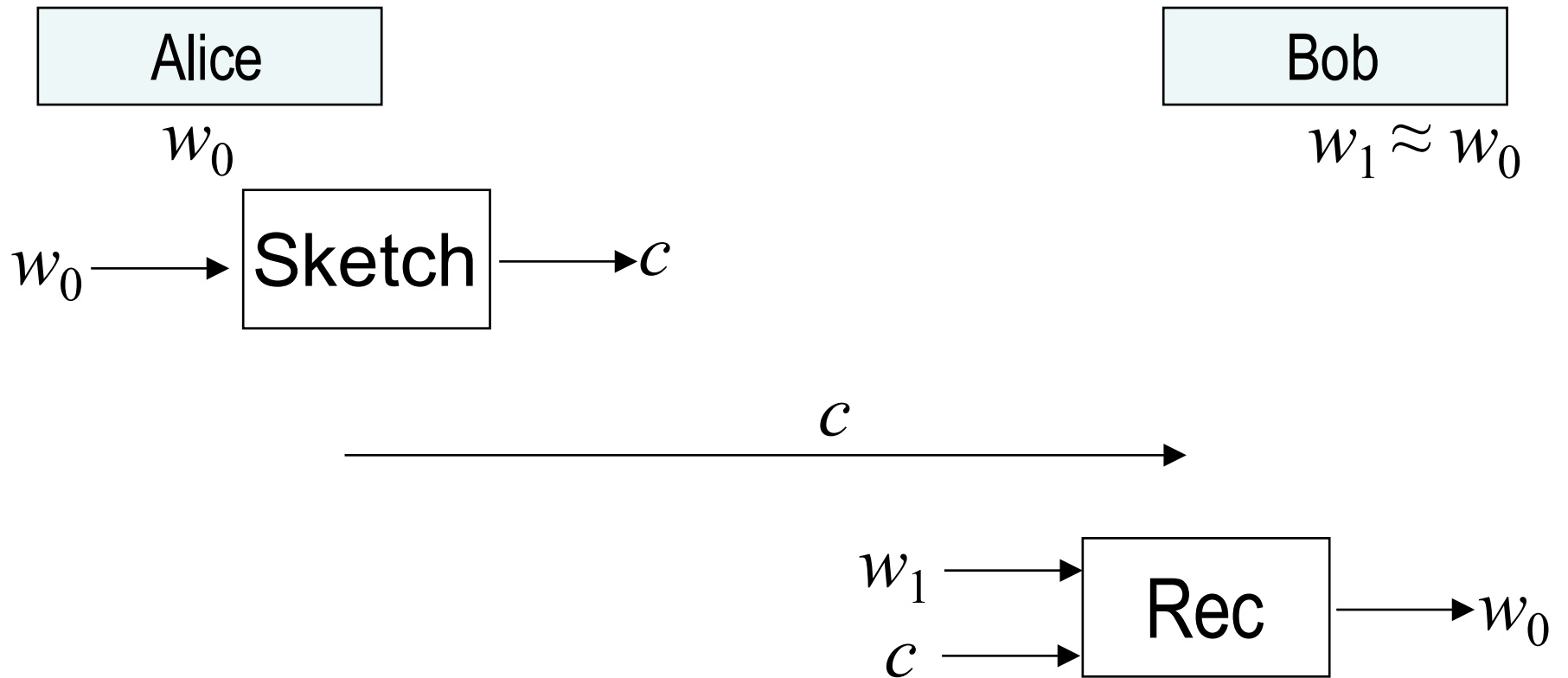
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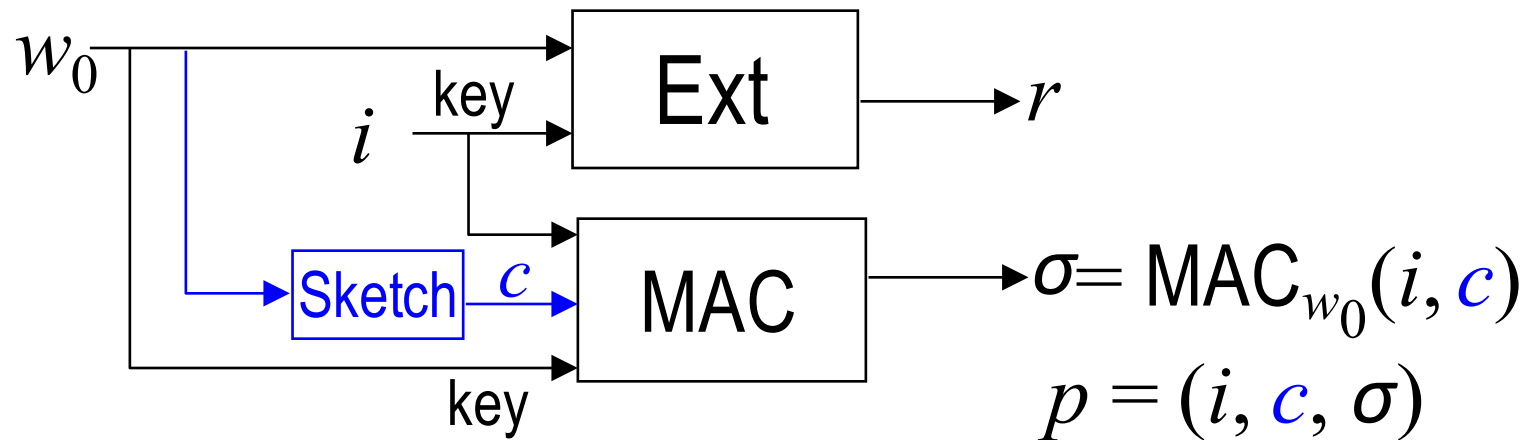
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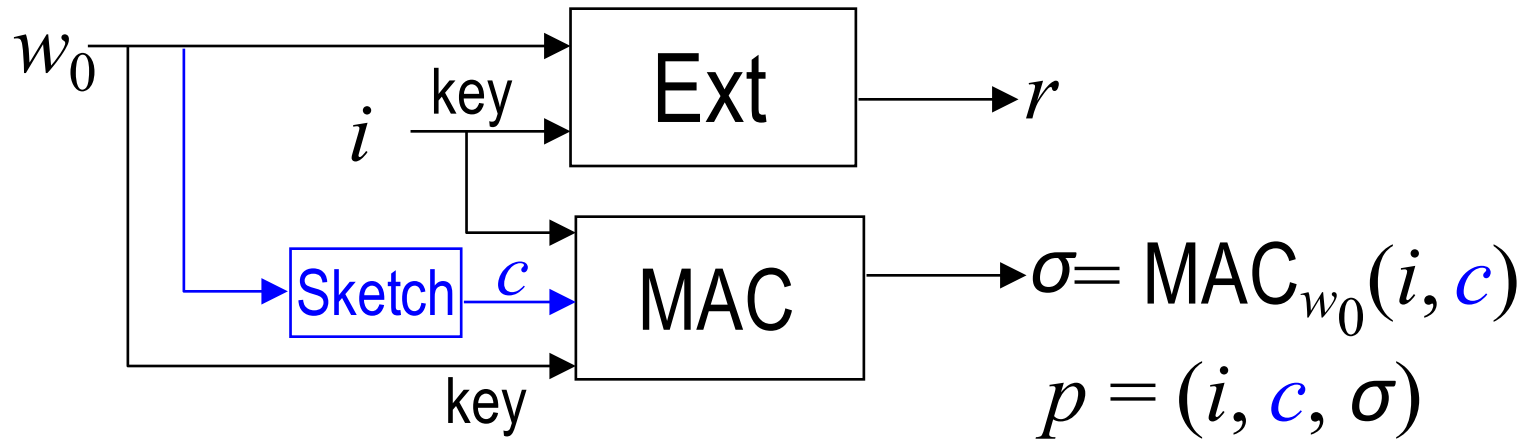


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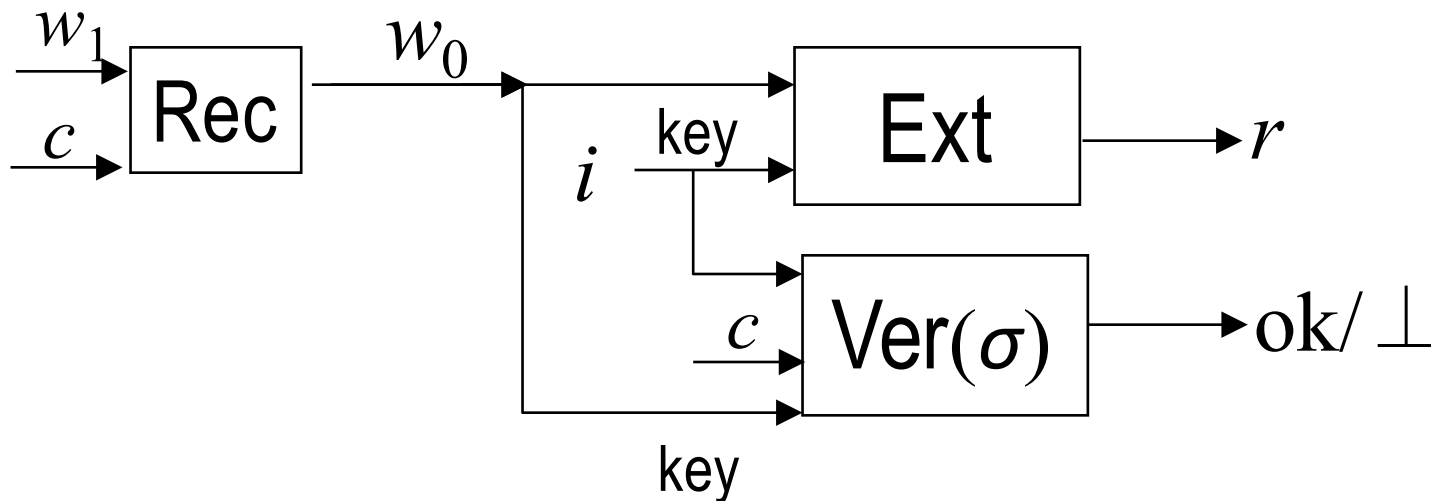
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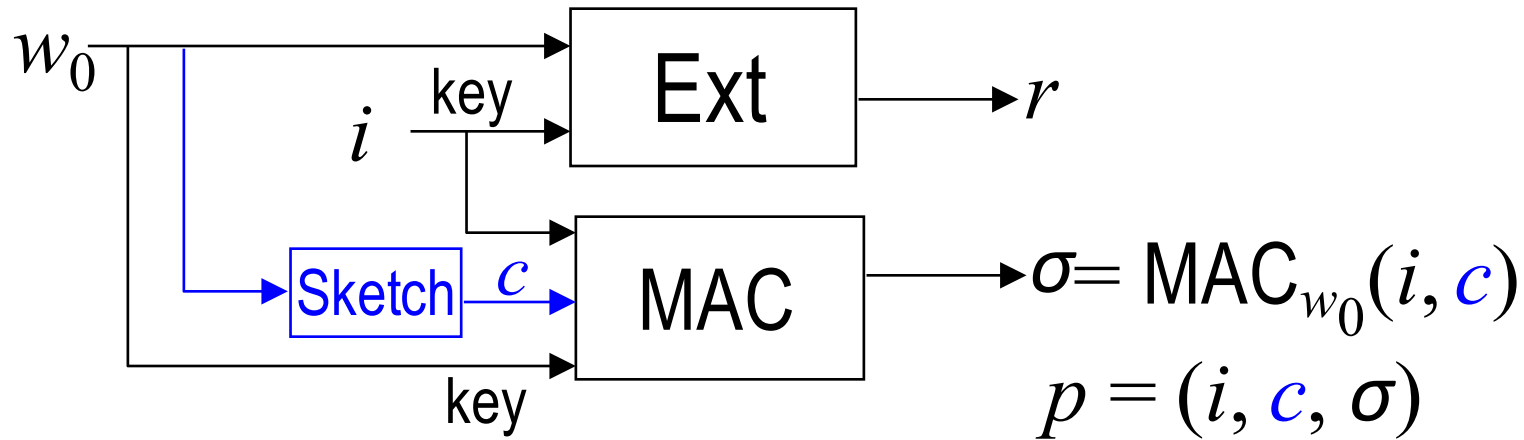


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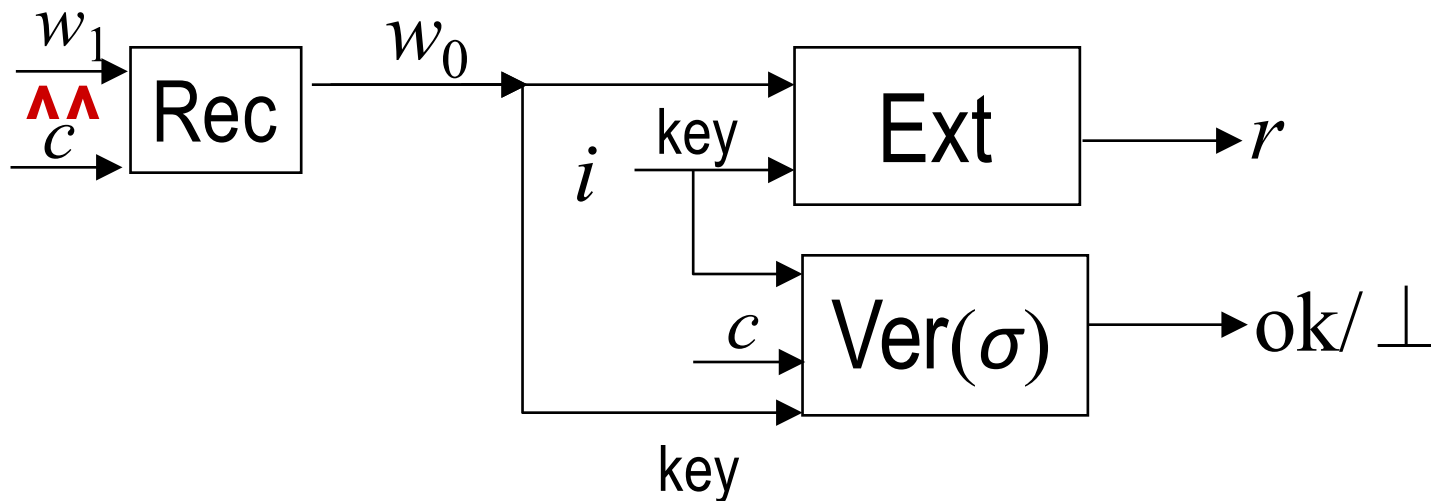


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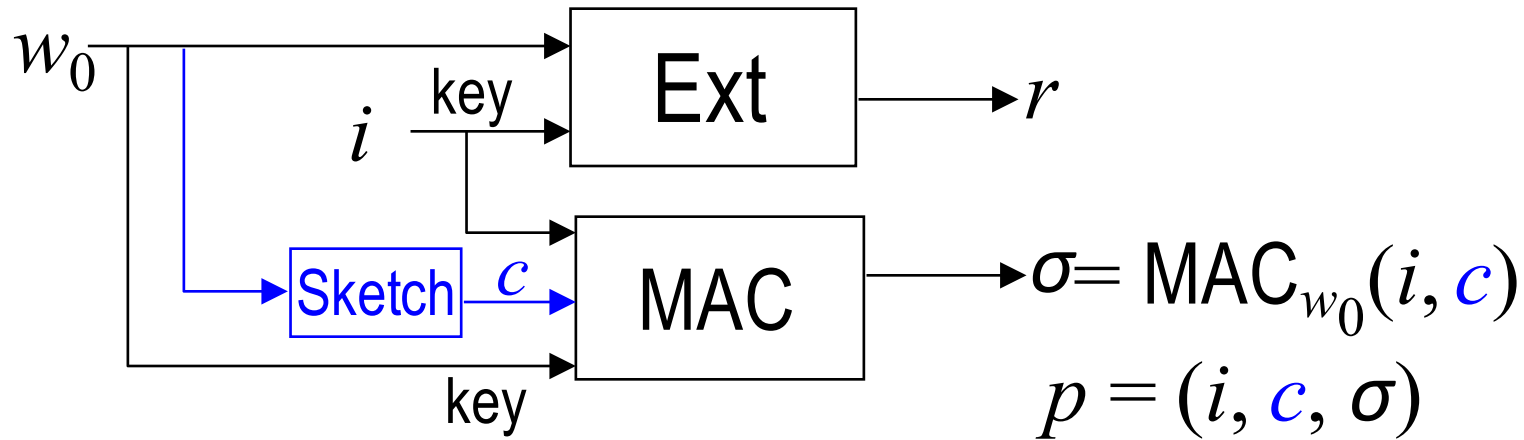


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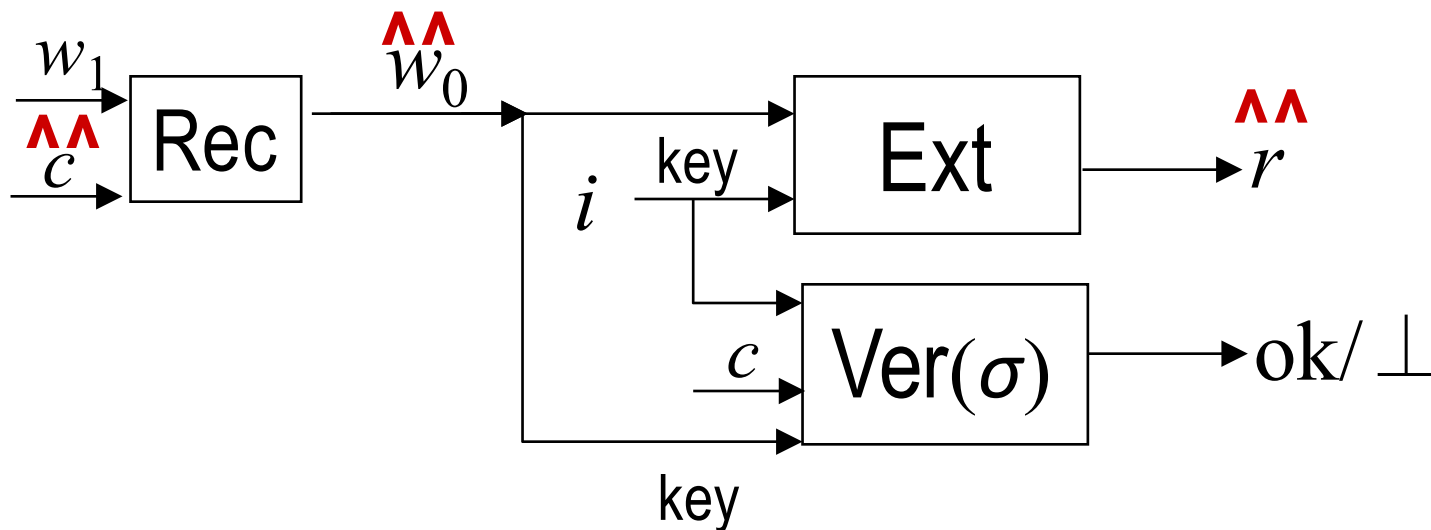


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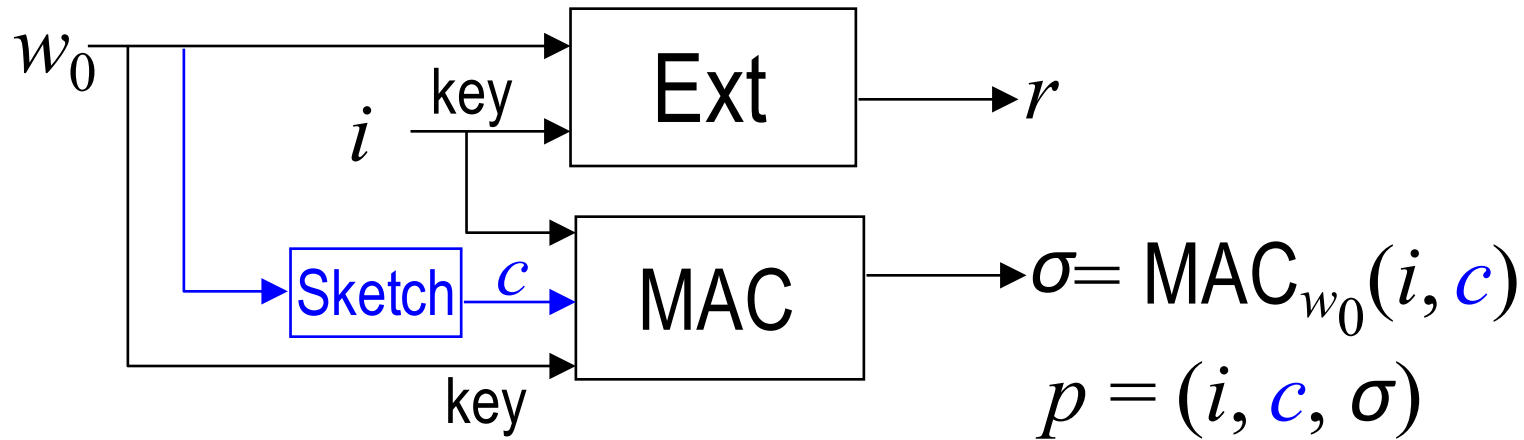


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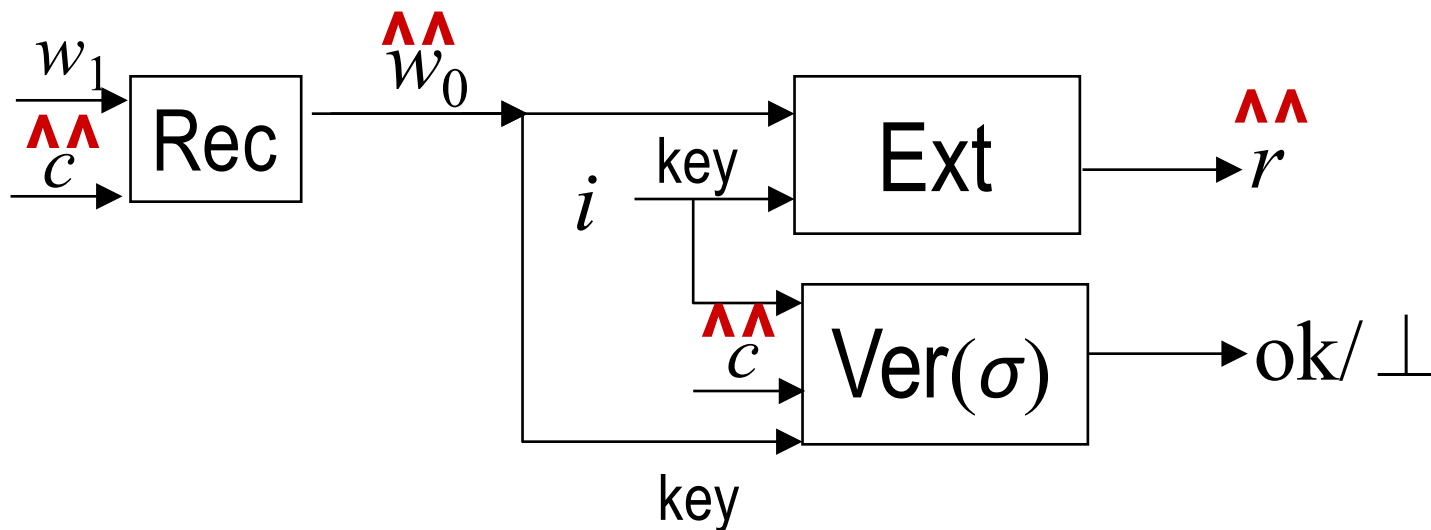


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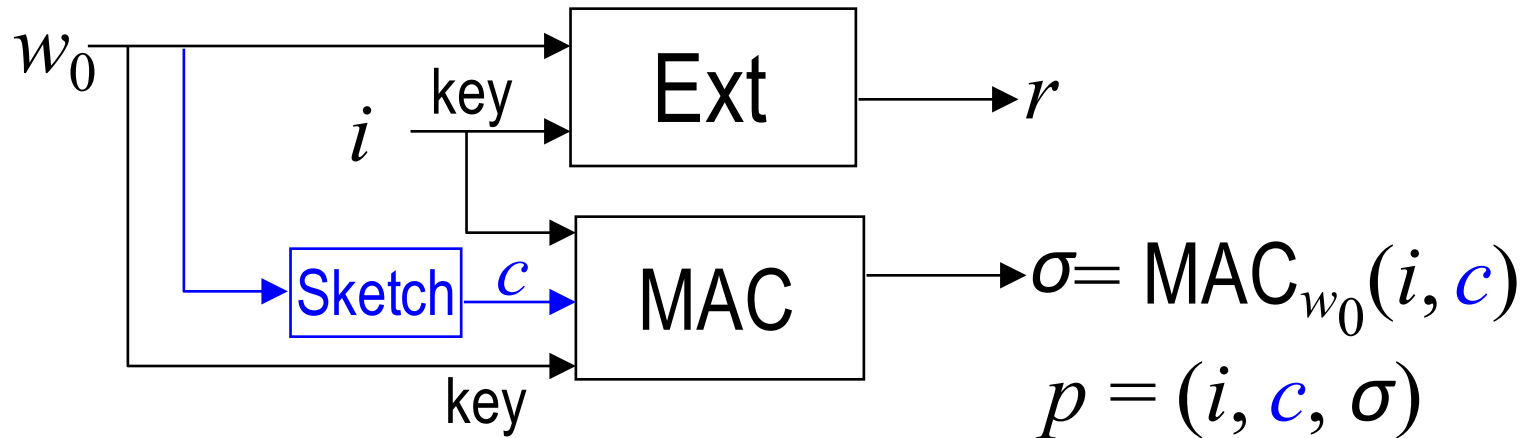


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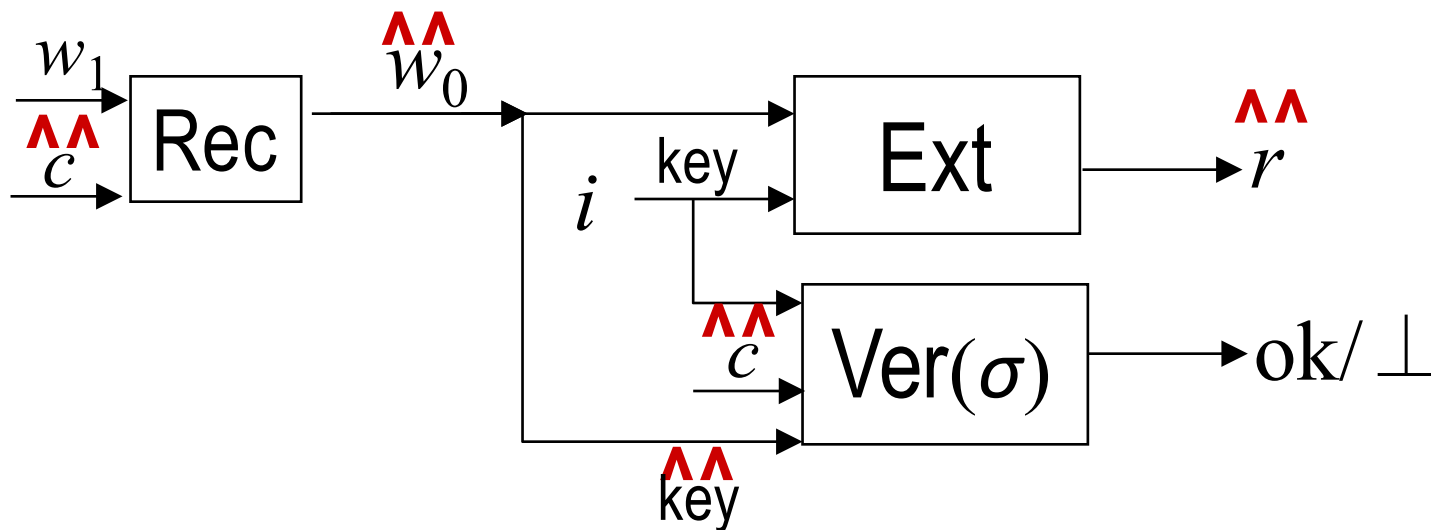


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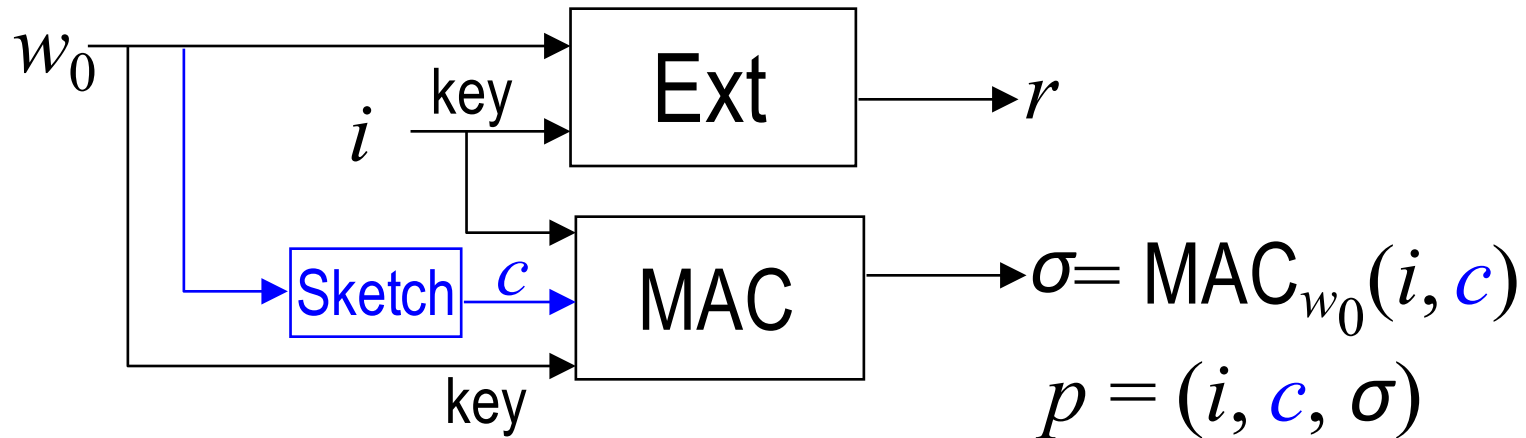


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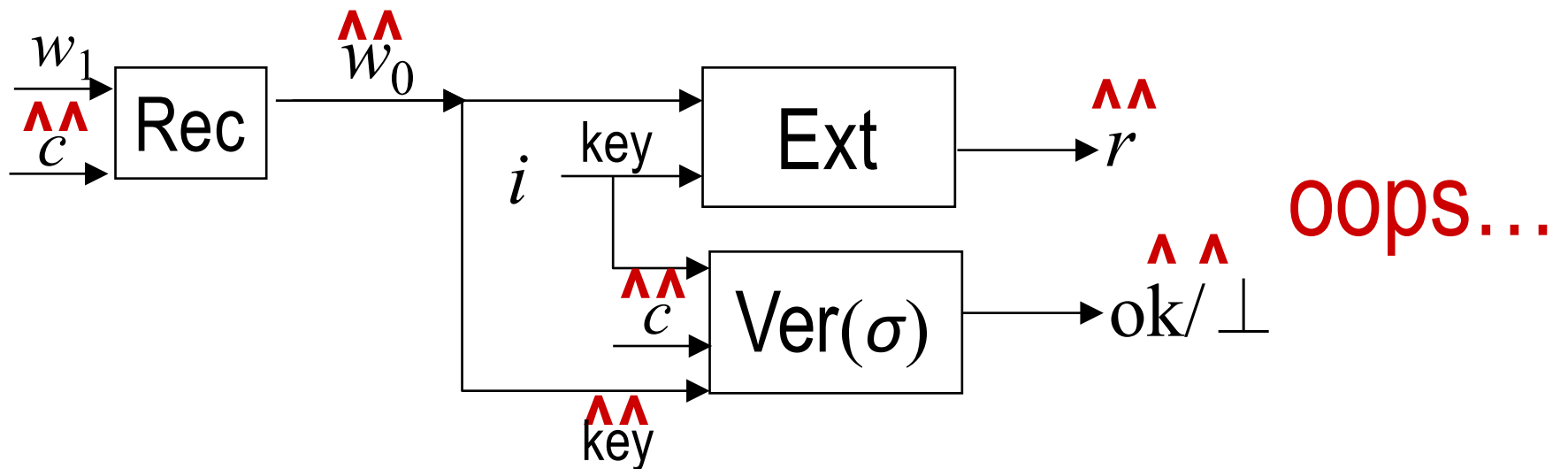


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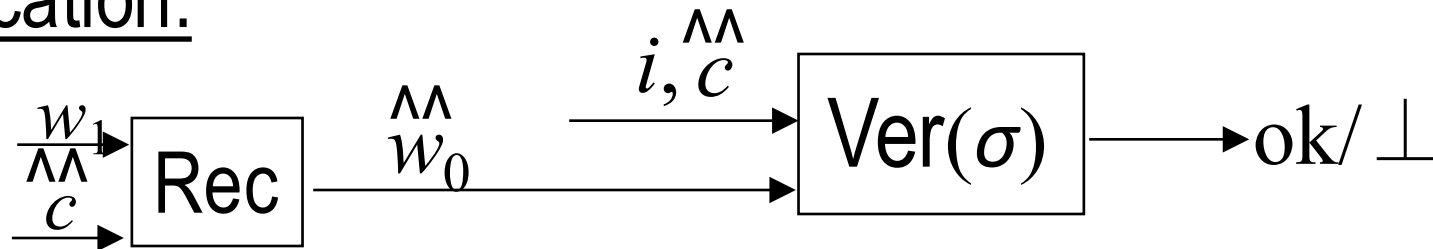
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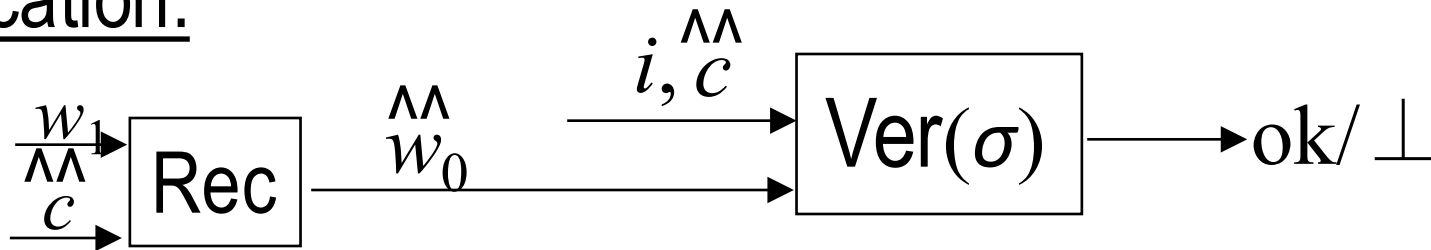
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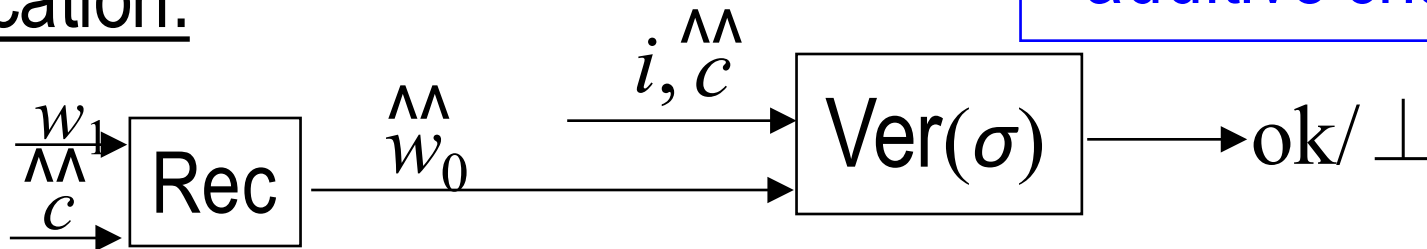
Authentication Generalization [Padro et al. '05] if i is public

$$\sigma = \text{MAC}_w(i, c) = \text{AMD-Code}(a, c) + b$$

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Code that detects additive change

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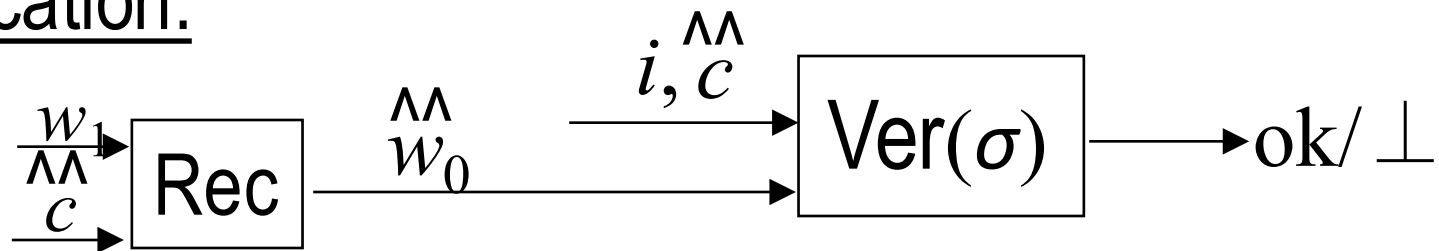
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Authentication [Alternative](#) [Boyen et al. '05]

$$\sigma = \text{MAC}_w(i, c) = \text{RandomOracle}(w, i, c)$$

Advantage: works even when $H_{\min}(w) < n/2$

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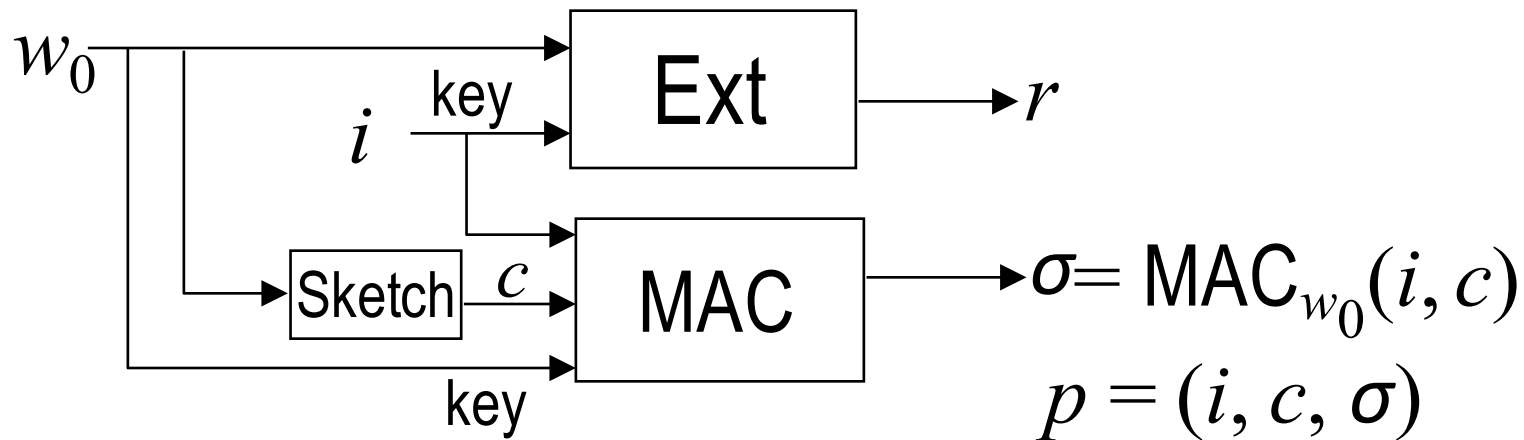


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Recall: without errors, extract $k - g - 2 \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

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k decreases, g increases \Rightarrow
lose $2l$

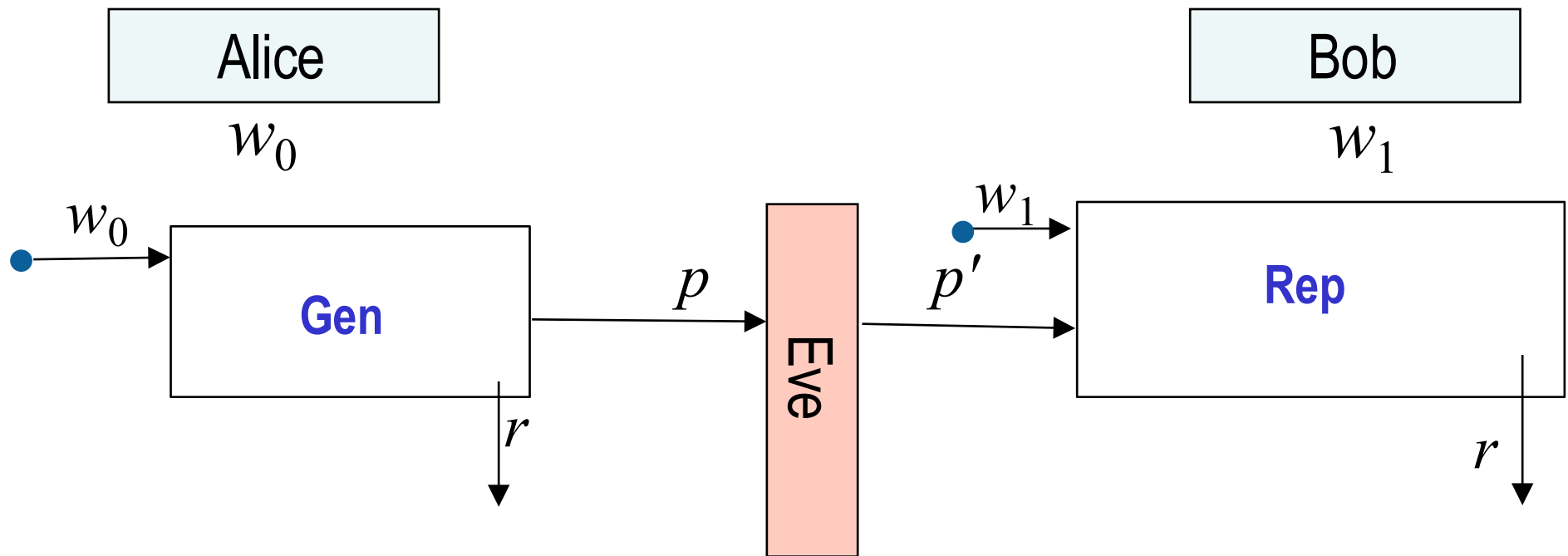
Can't avoid decreasing k , but can avoid increasing g

$c = \text{Sketch}(w_0)$ is linear. Let $d = \text{Sketch}^\perp(w_0)$.

$|d| = |w| - l$, but d has entropy $k - l$. Use d instead of w_0 .

Result: extract $k - l - g - 2 \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

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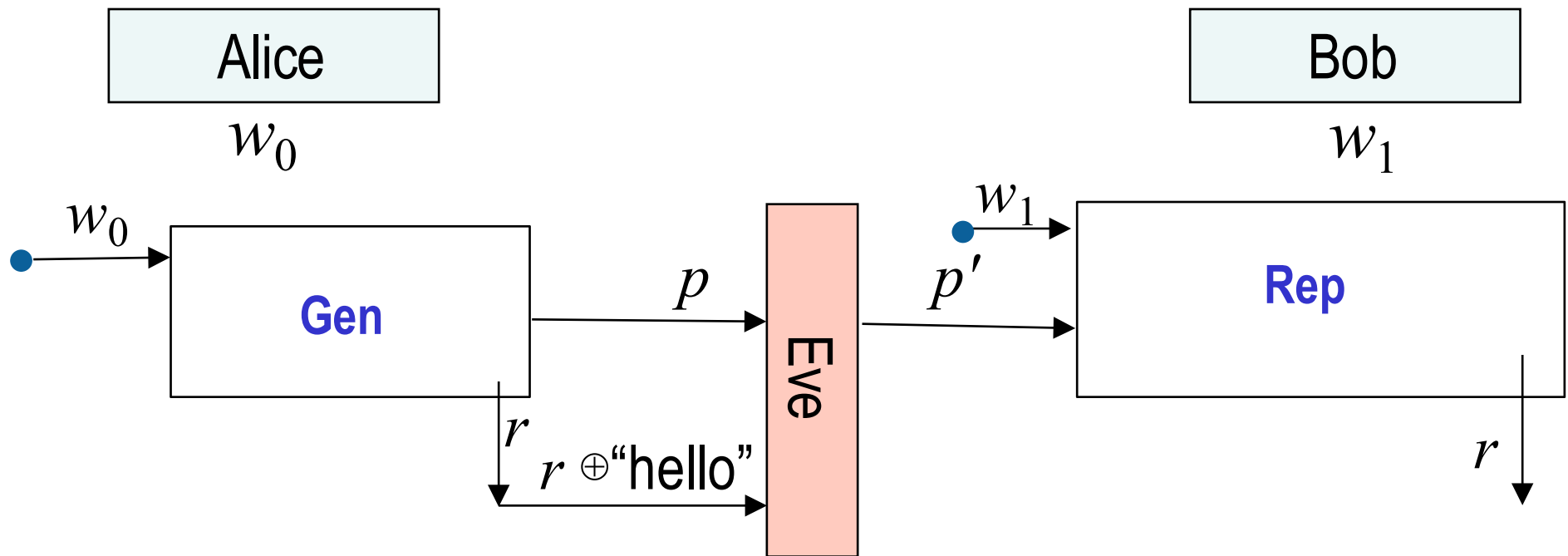


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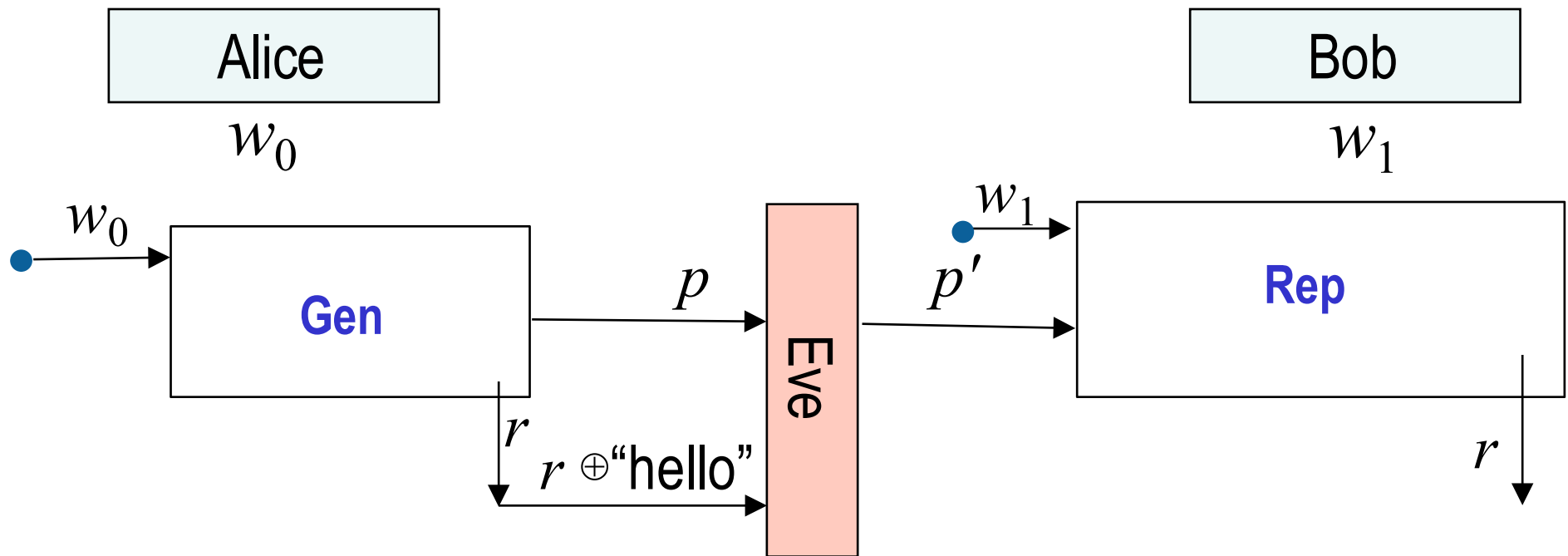


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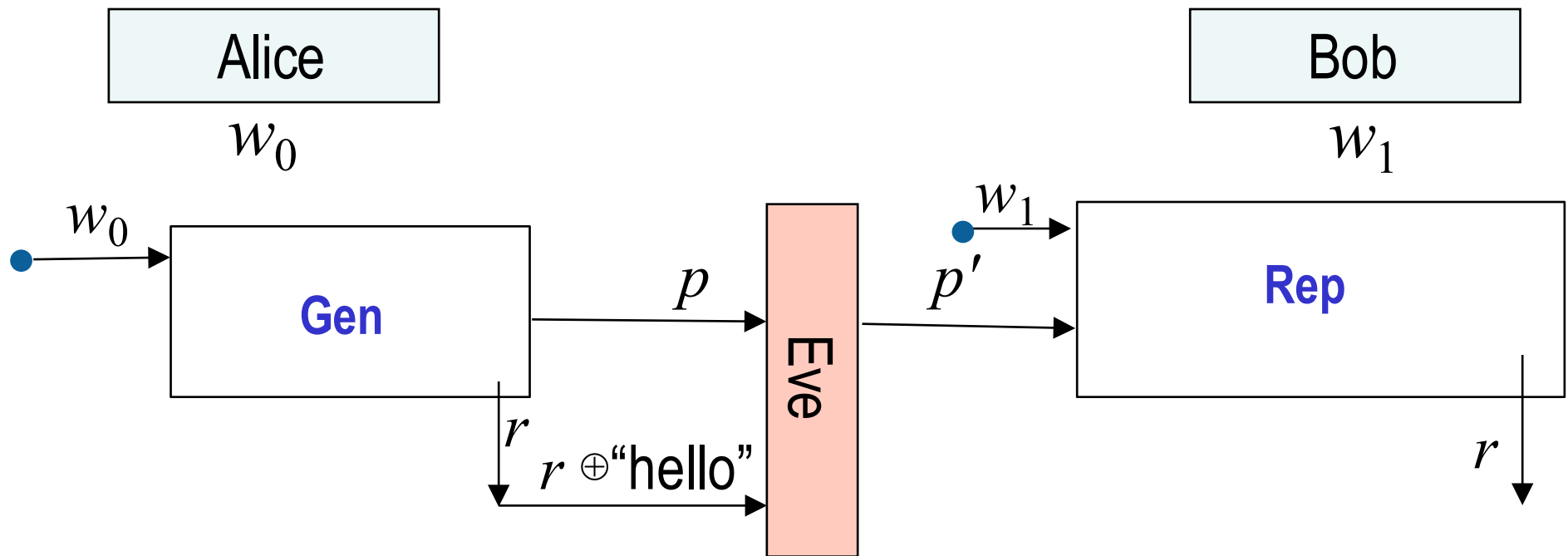
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Post-application robustness



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Robustness:

[DKKRS12]: a similar construction extracts about $(k-l-g)/2$
(half as much as pre-application)

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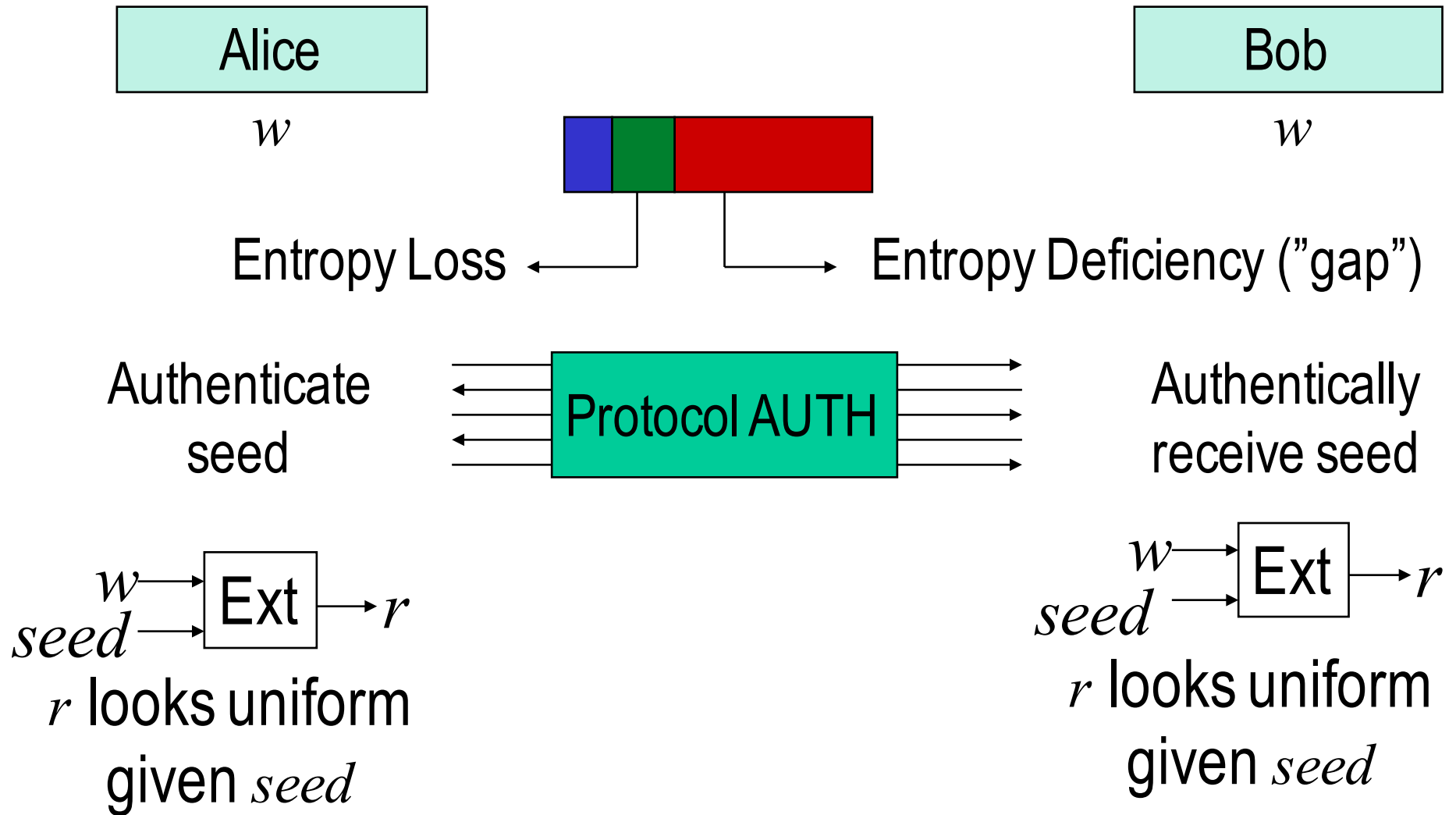
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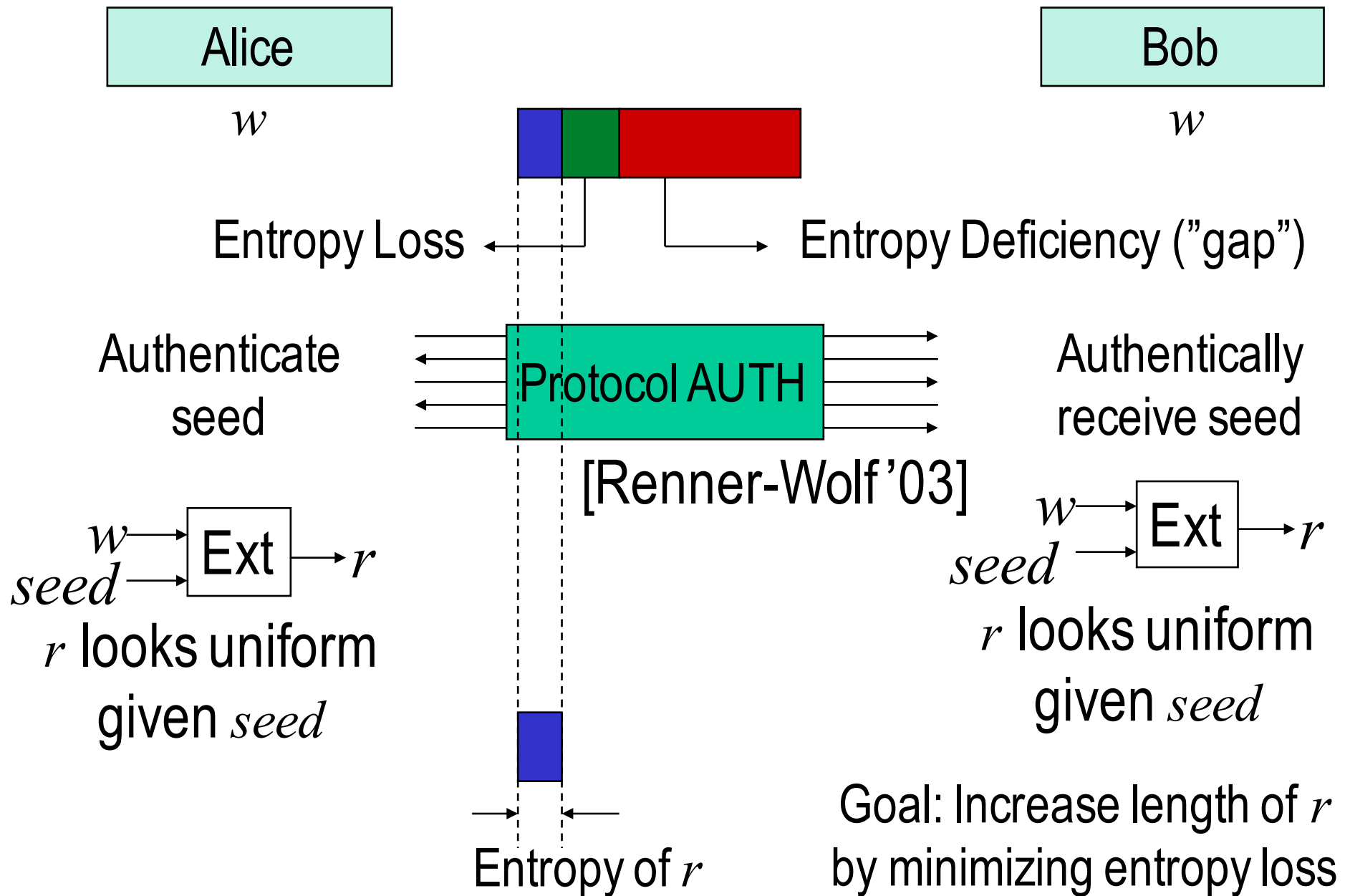


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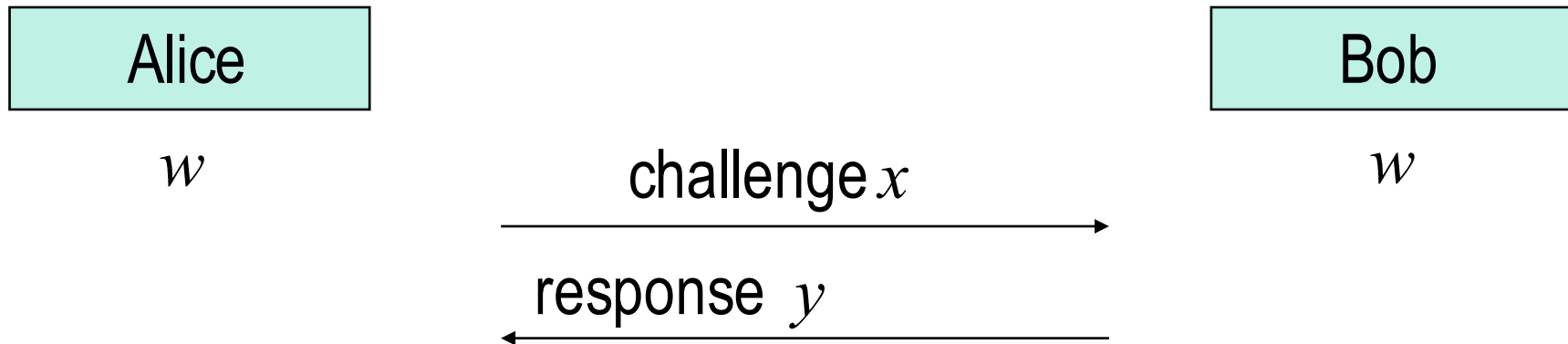
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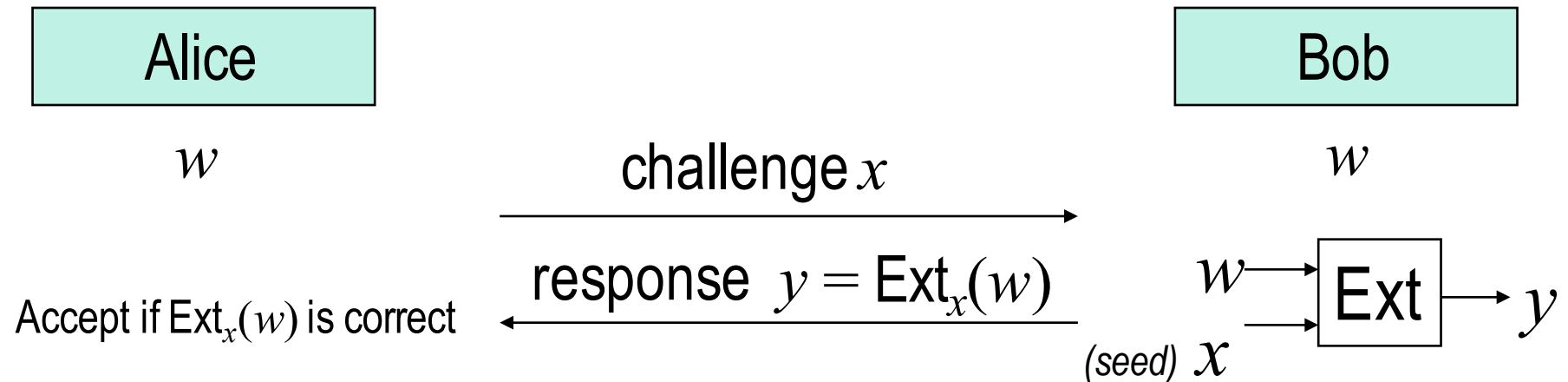
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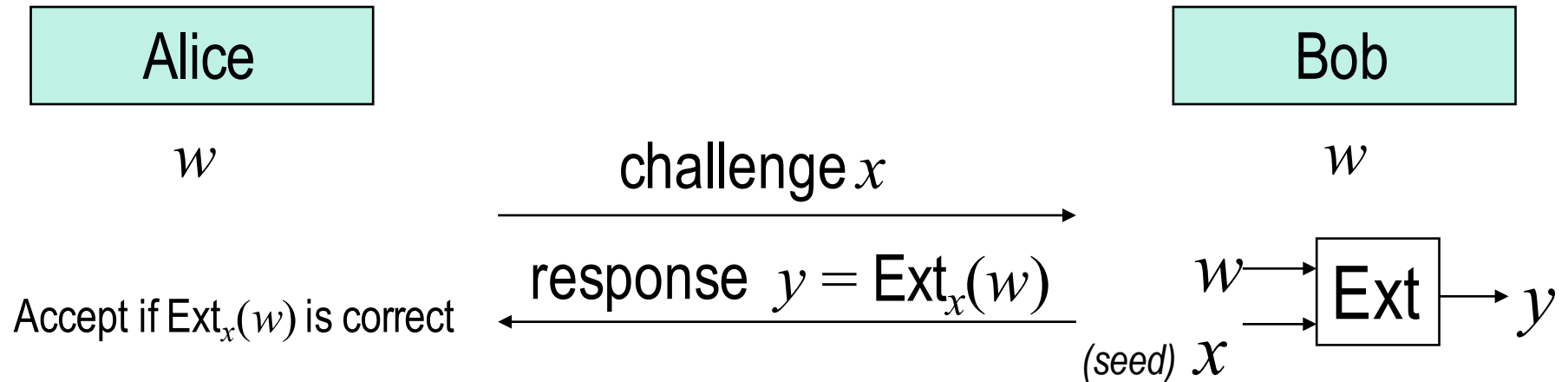
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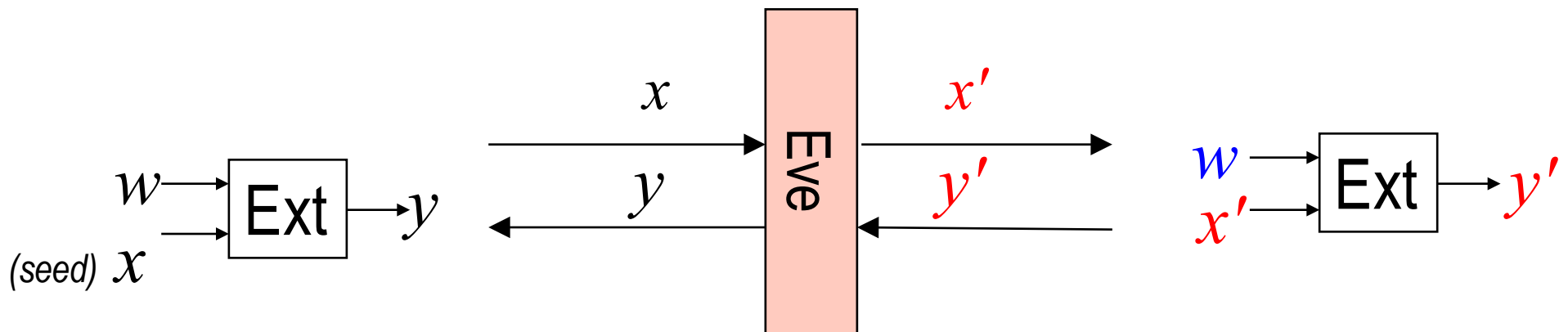
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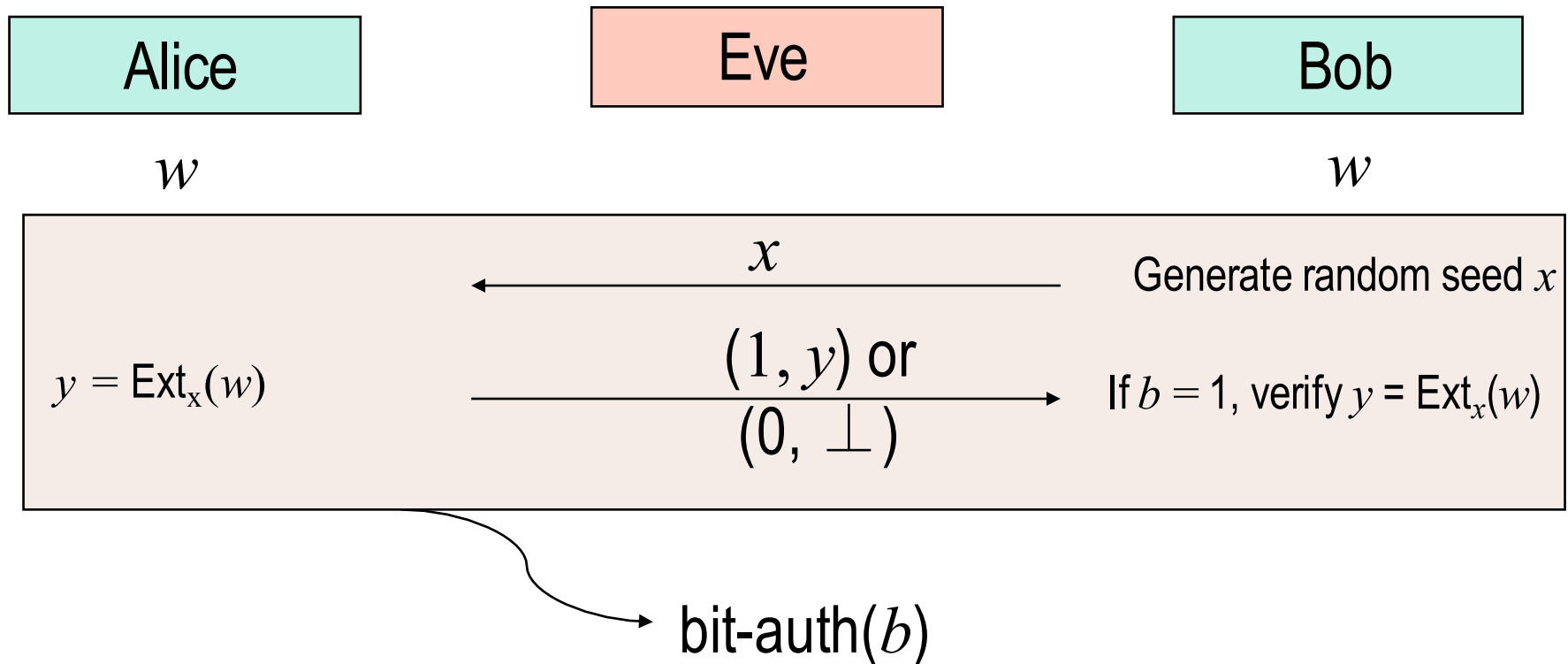


Note: Active attack doesn't help Eve defeat liveness test



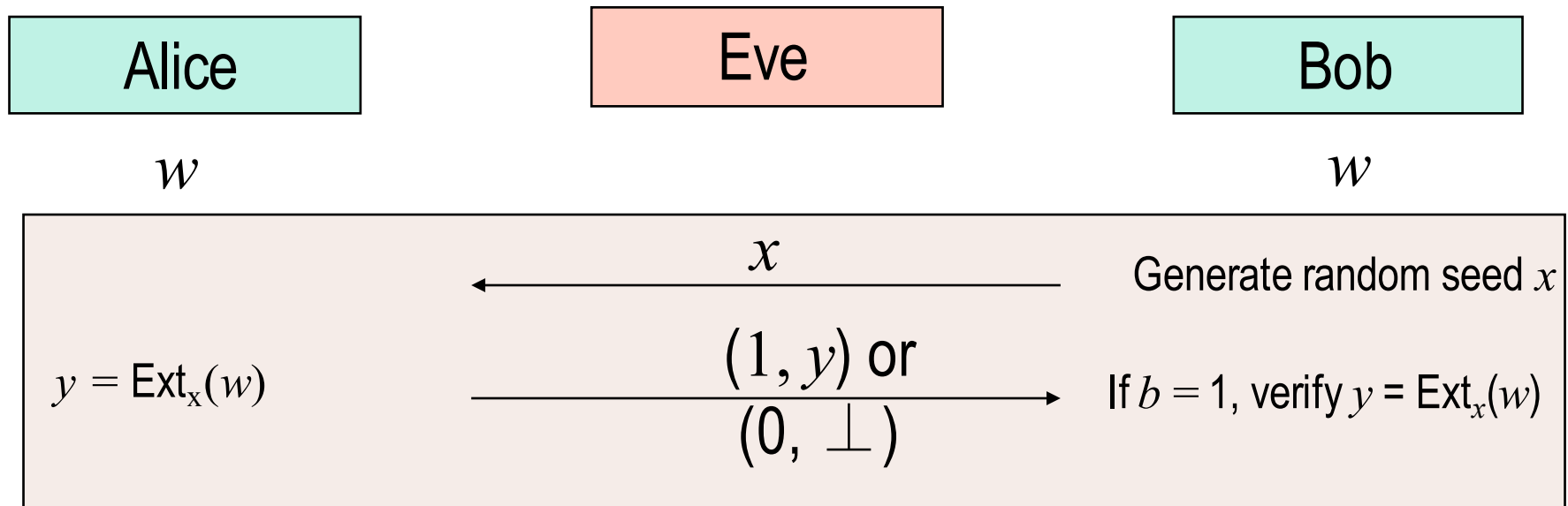
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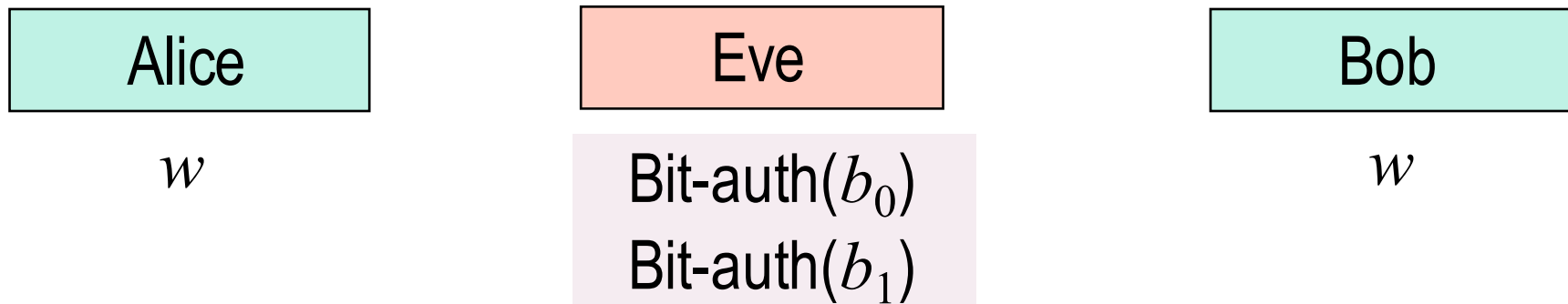
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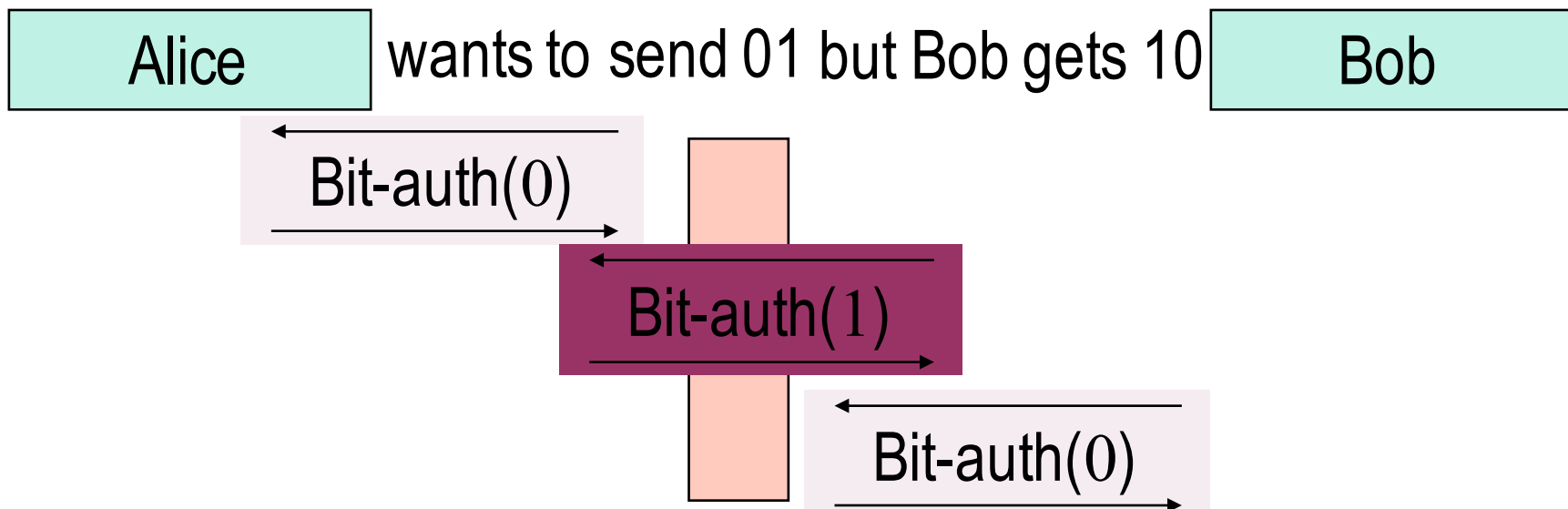
bit-auth(b)

- Problem: Eve can't change 0 to 1, but can change 1 to 0
- Solution: make the string balanced (#0s = #1s)

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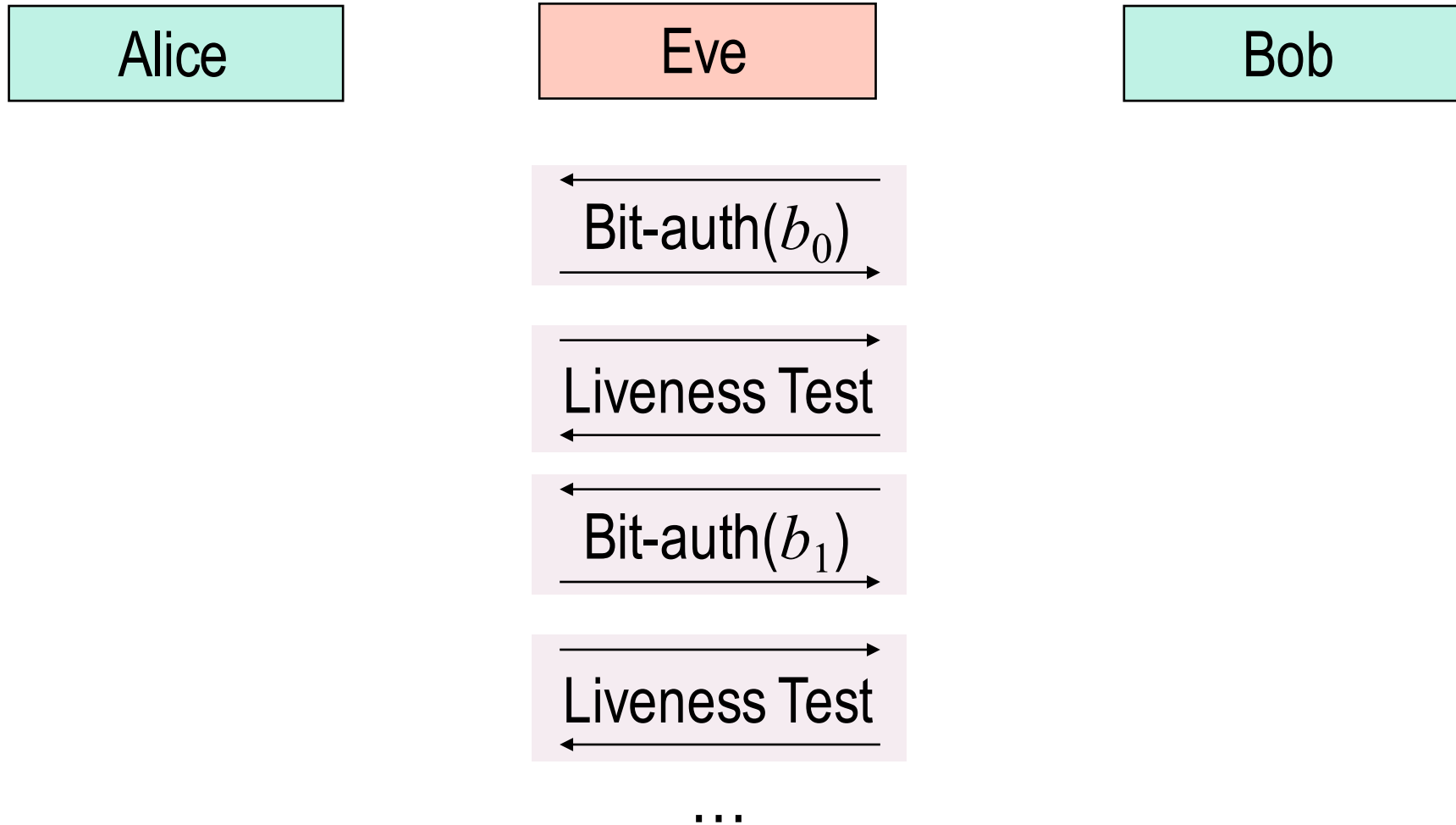


- Problem: **Eve can delete any bit (and insert a 0 bit)**



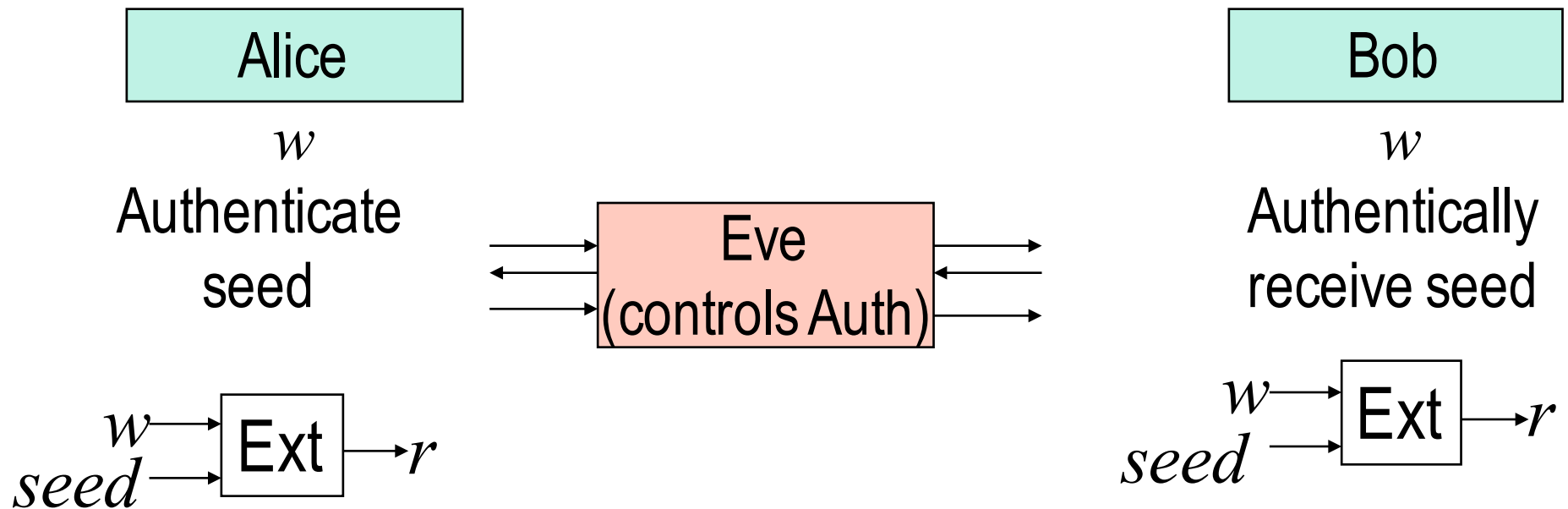
- Solution: add a liveness test after each bit to check that Bob got it

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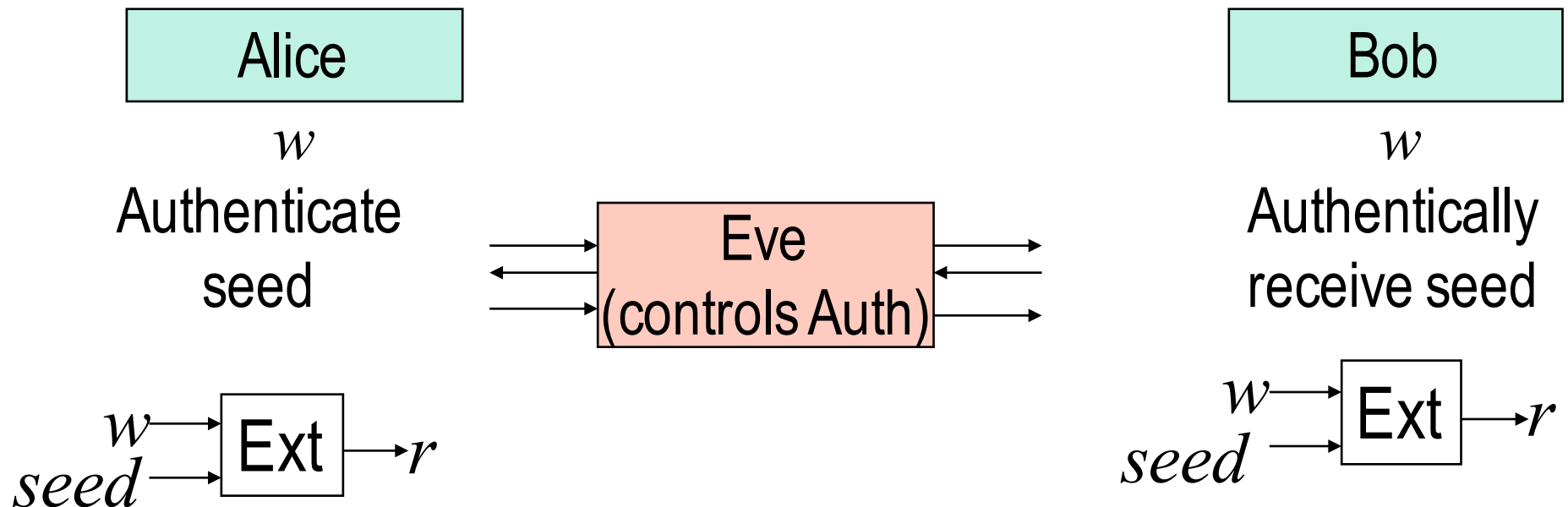
For $2^{-\delta}$ -security, each Ext output needs $\approx \delta$ bits. Loss $\approx 1.5 |\text{seed}| \delta$

Privacy Amplification



- Does r look uniform given $seed$?
- Need: $seed$ independent of w
- **Problem:** Active Eve can play with AUTH to learn something correlated to $seed$ during AUTH
- **Solution:** If $|r| > 2|Auth|$, then r is $>$ half entropic
- Use r as MAC key to authenticate the actual (fresh!) $seed'$

Privacy Amplification



- Total entropy loss (after some improvements from [Kanukurthi-Reyzin 2009]): about $\delta^2/2$
- Theoretical improvement to $O(\delta)$ in [Chandran-Kanukurthi-Ostrovsky-Reyzin 2014] (but for practical values of δ , constants make it worse than $\delta^2/2$)

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Information Reconciliation

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w_0

$c = \text{Sketch}(w_0)$

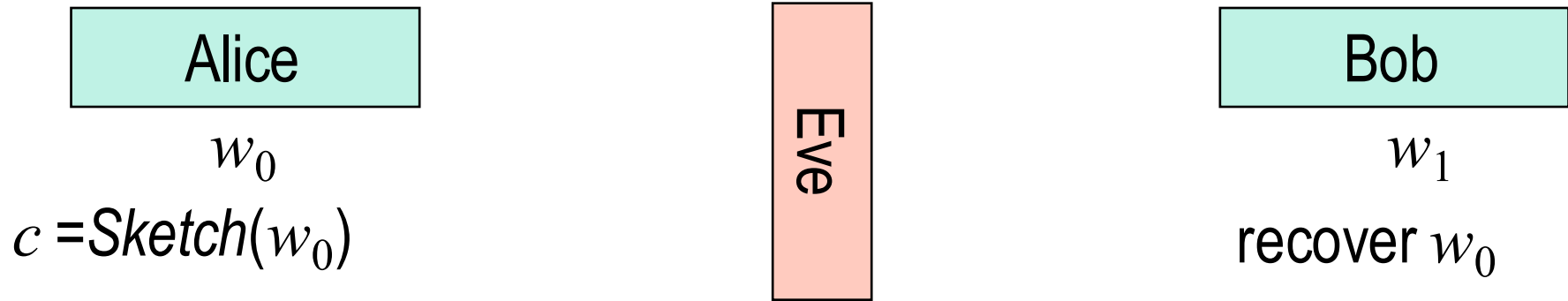
Eve

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w_1

recover w_0

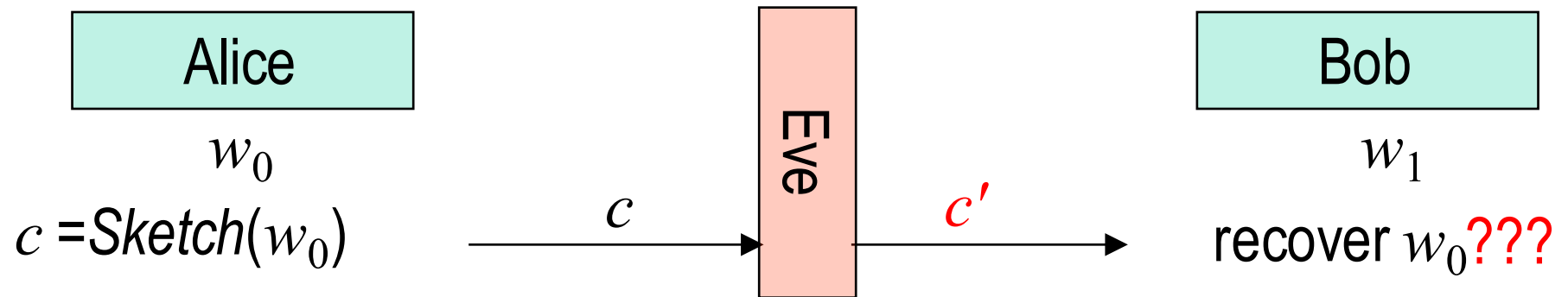
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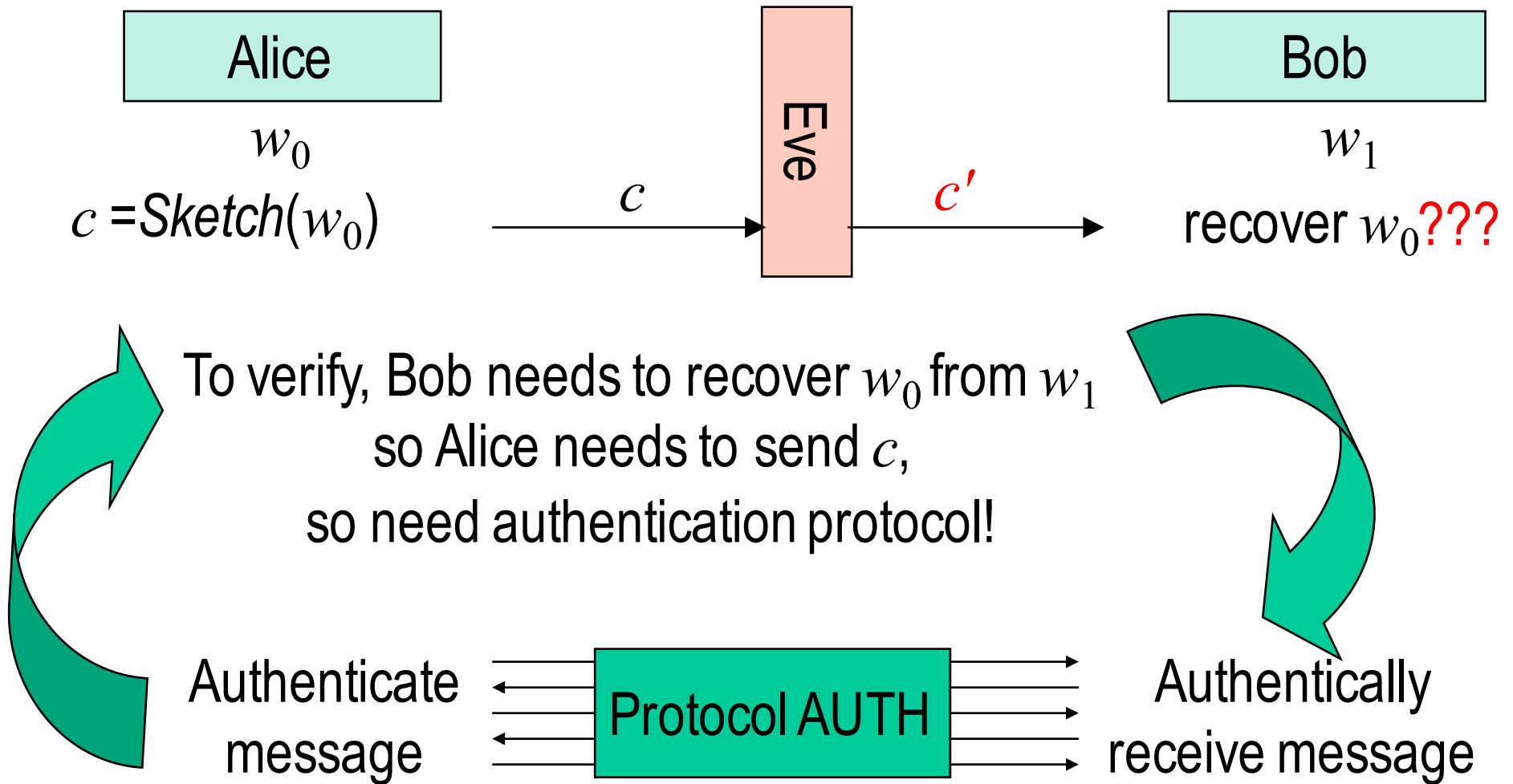
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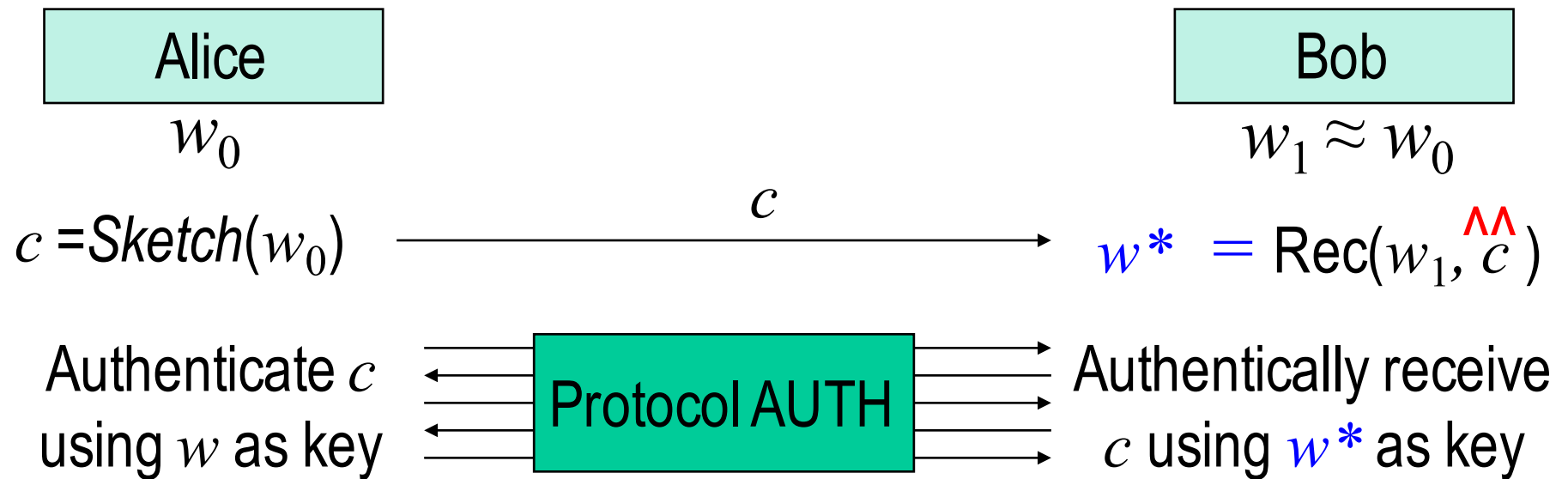
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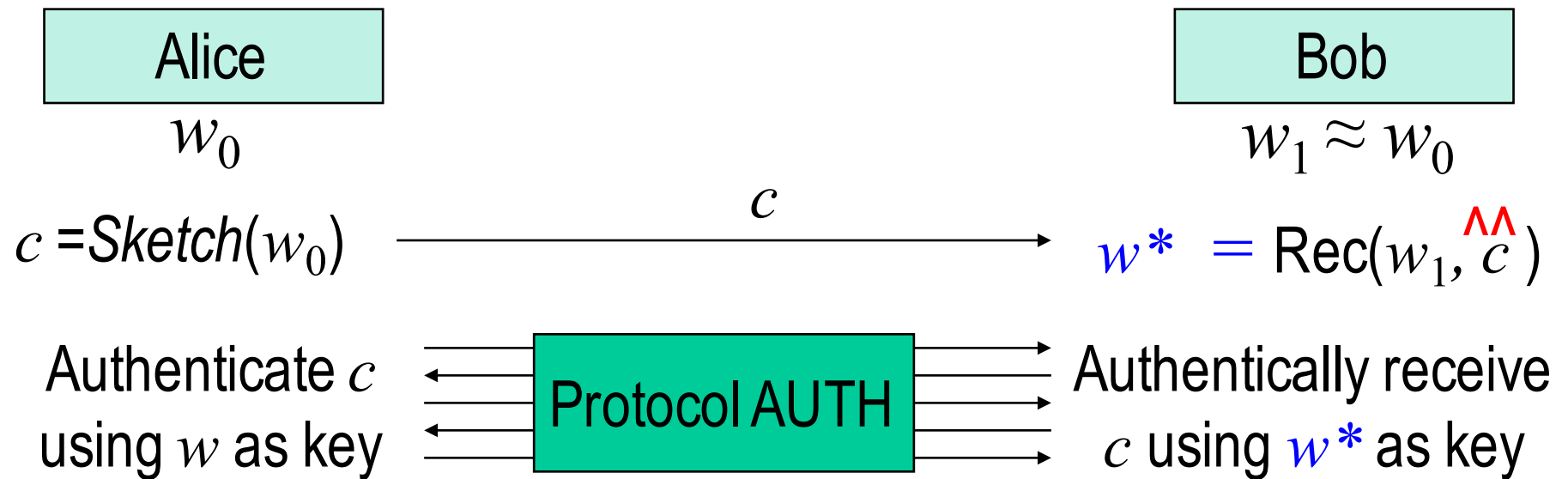


Attempt 1: Error-Tolerant Authentication



- Alice runs Auth using w_0 as key and Bob runs Auth using w^* key
- **Auth Guarantees:** For Eve to change even a single bit of the message authenticated, she needs to respond to an extractor query. (Either $\text{Ext}_x(w)$ or $\text{Ext}_x(w^*)$).
- If Bob runs protocol Auth on w^* (of high entropy, which Rec provides), Eve cannot change the message authenticated.

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Problem: Even if Eve's errors constitute a small fraction of w , Auth will lose more entropy than length of w

Attempt 2: Error-Tolerant Authentication

Alice

w_0

Bob

$w_1 \approx w_0$

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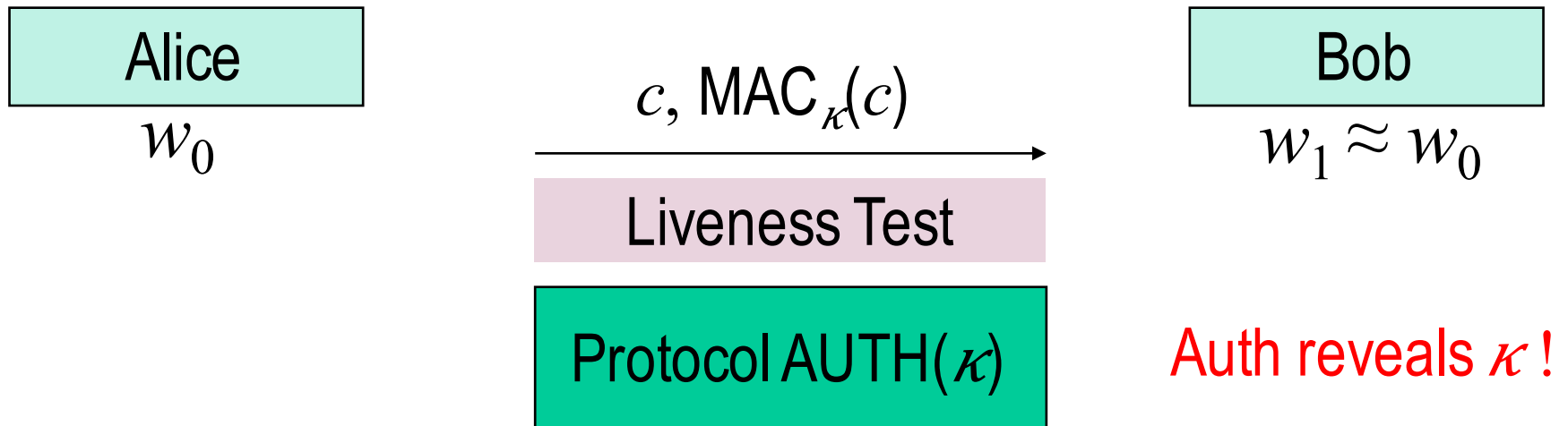
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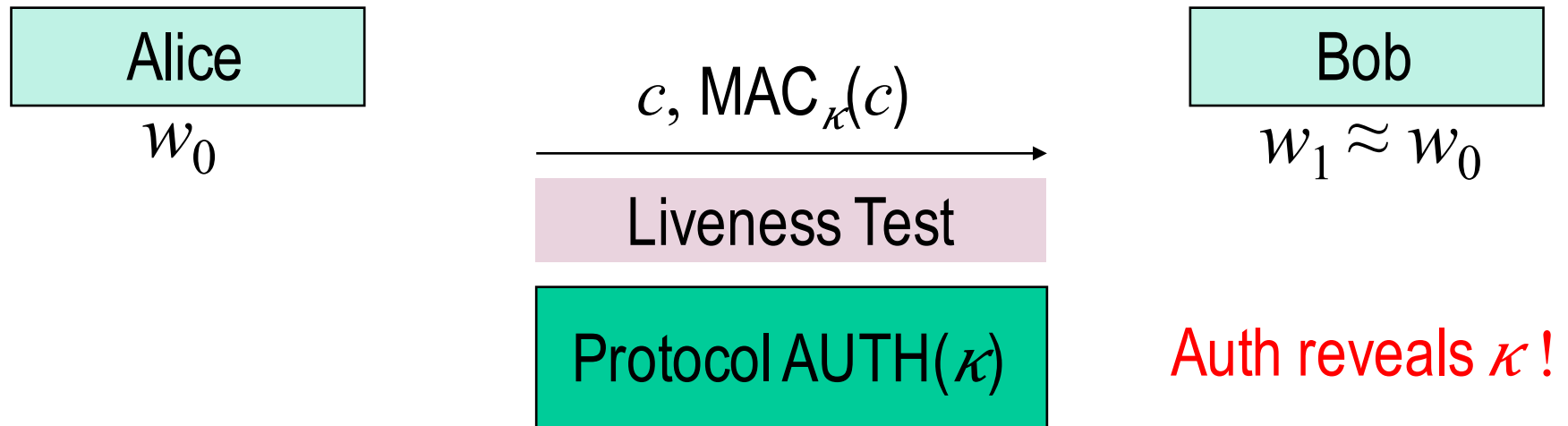
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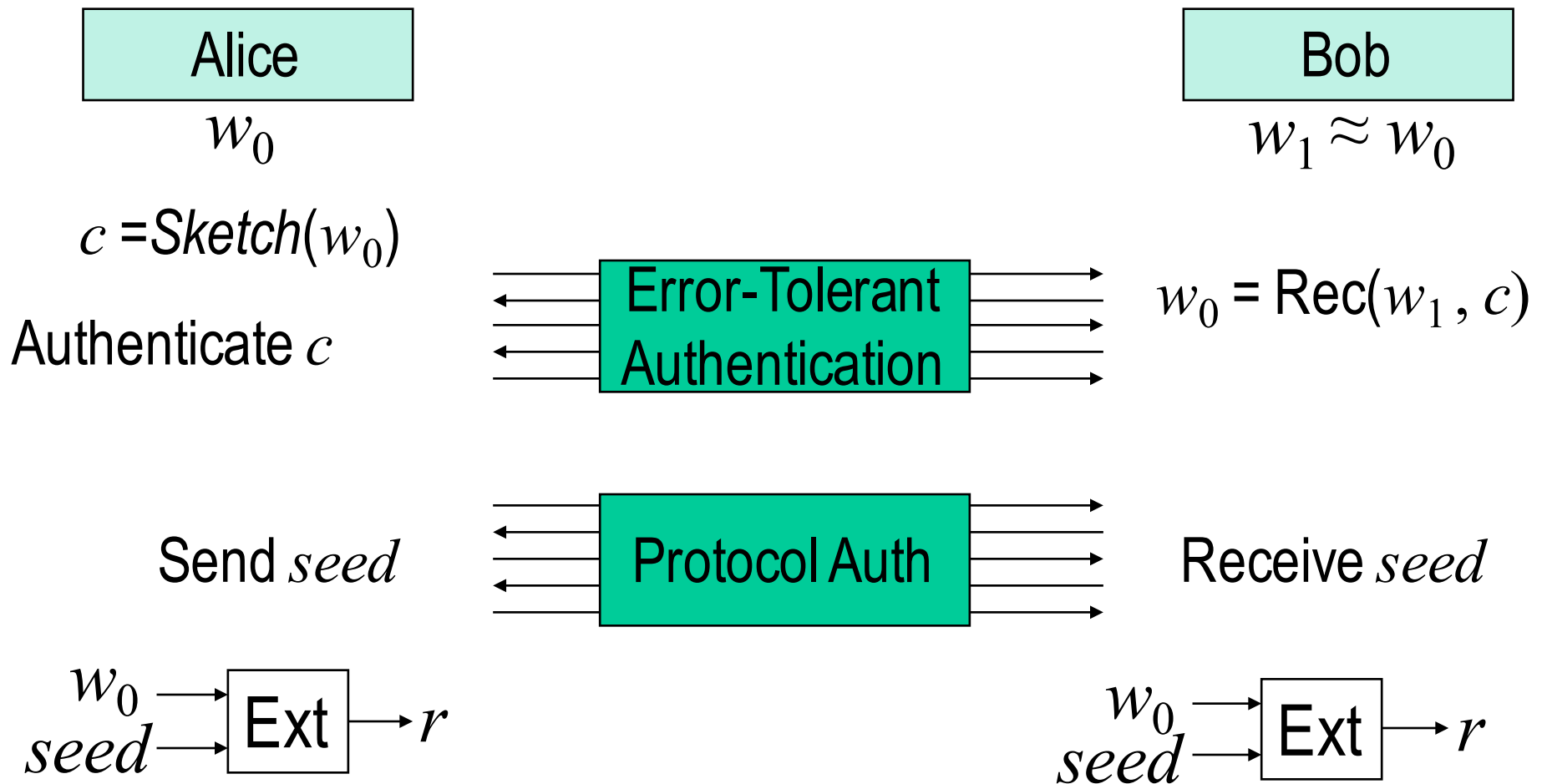


By the time Eve learns κ , it is too late for Eve to come up with forgery!

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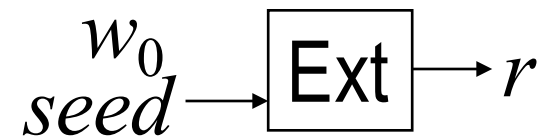
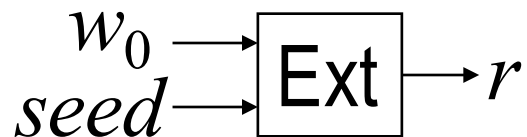
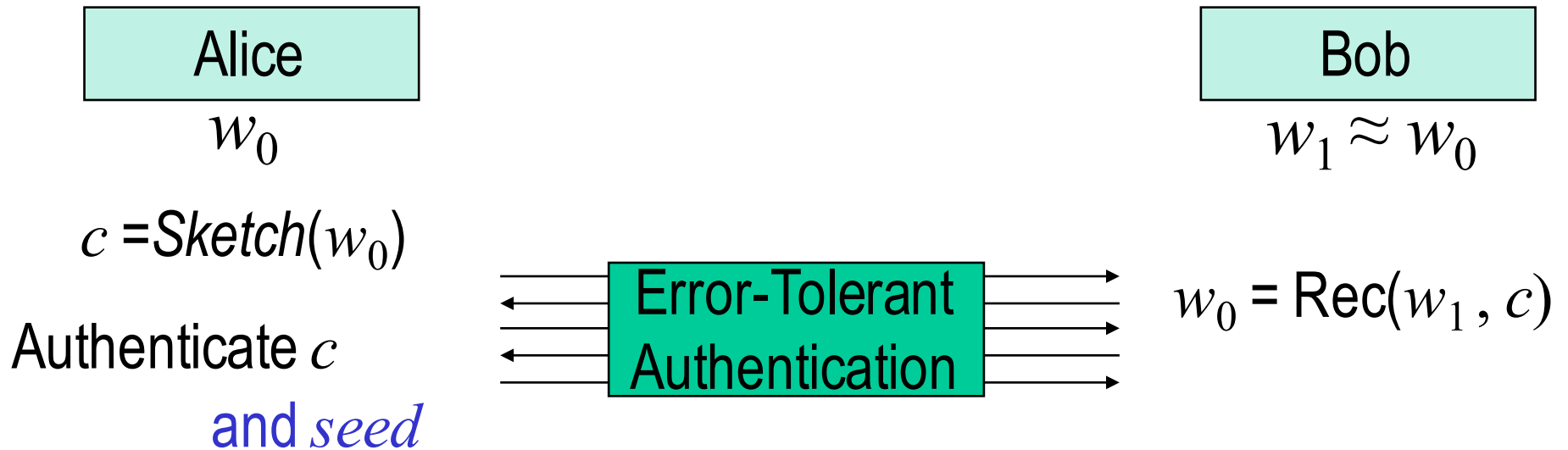
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