

# Efficient attacks and real-world provable security

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- I used to believe that community’s lack of interest was due to nepotism and intrigue.
- Now I understand that it’s because proof had “turgid notation and ‘game hopping’”.

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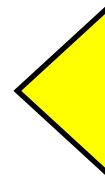
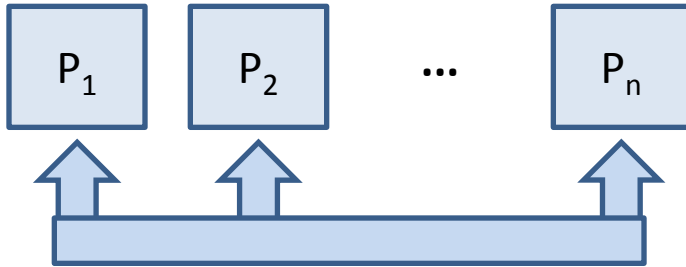
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Theorem There is no black-box construction that produces anything good from war with a non-negligible probability (assuming a separation between mortals and divine creatures).

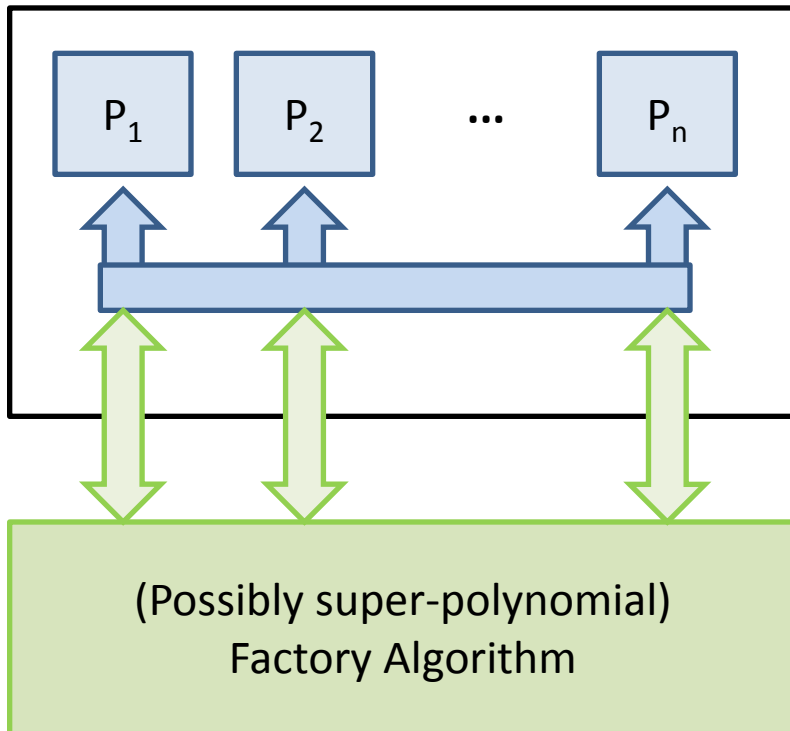
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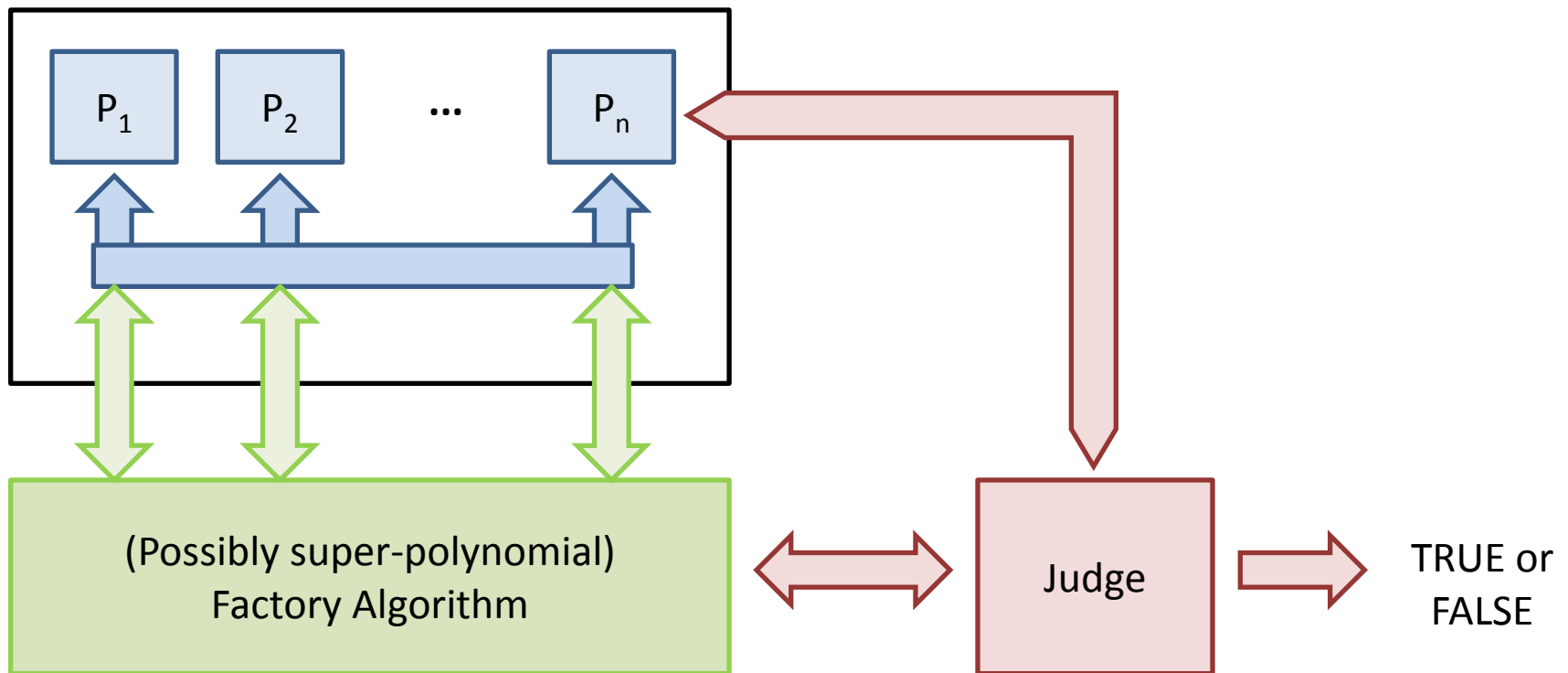
War An  $n$ -party multiparty protocol that is designed to output  $n-1$  parties.

( $n > 1$  – no suicide here).

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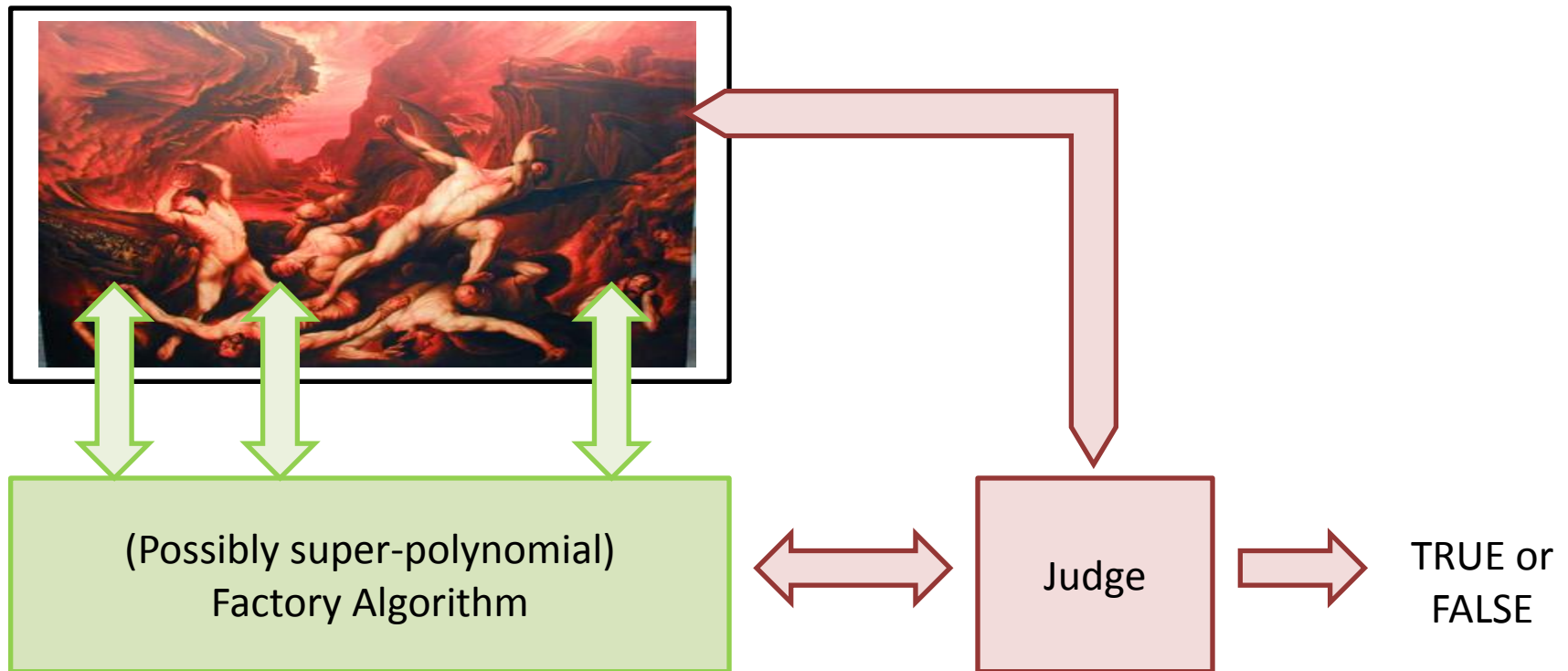
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- Profiteer model – judge can interact with all parties.
- Factory output declared “good” if there exists a PPT judge will output TRUE.

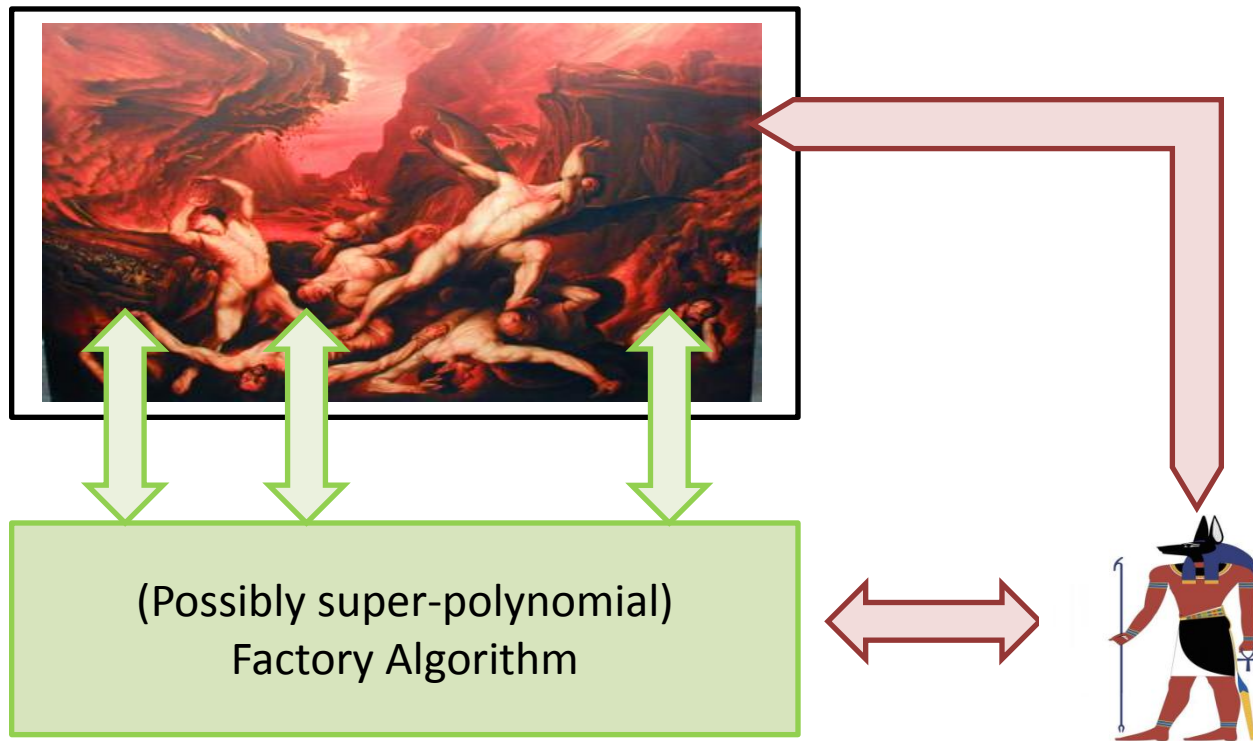


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- Using our assumption that divine creatures exist, we can replace the arbitrary war with an ideal war, i.e. Armageddon.

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- The judge will now output TRUE with negligible probability because there is only a negligible chance of a judge surviving any form of divine intervention.



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- High performance experiments are in progress and are scheduled to finish (assuming no power outages) on December 21<sup>st</sup> 2012.