

Online/Offline OR Composition of Σ -Protocols

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Proofs of Knowledge (PoKs)

A fundamental crypto tool with many applications

- ◆ Identification Schemes
- ◆ Simulation-Based Security
- ◆ E-Voting Systems
- ◆ ...

Useful in cryptography when the witness is protected: Witness Indistinguishable (**WI**), Witness Hiding (**WH**), Zero Knowledge (**ZK**)

e.g., prove knowledge of one thing **OR** another thing **OR** ...

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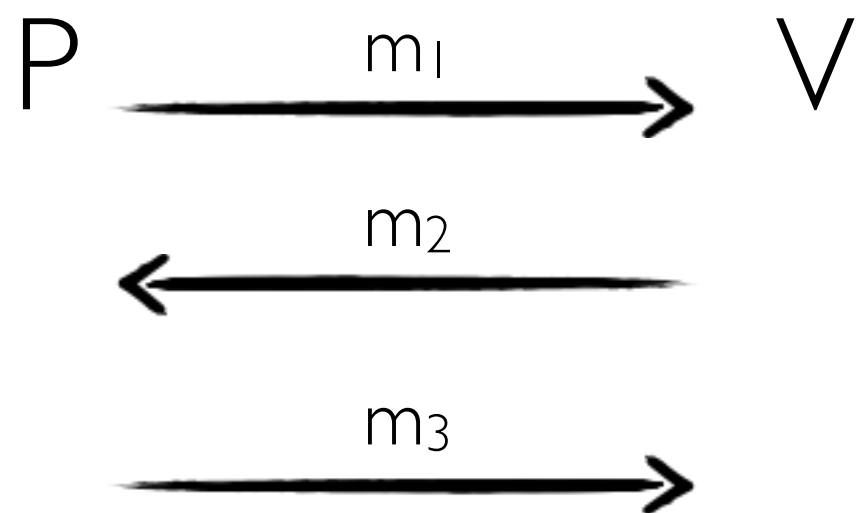
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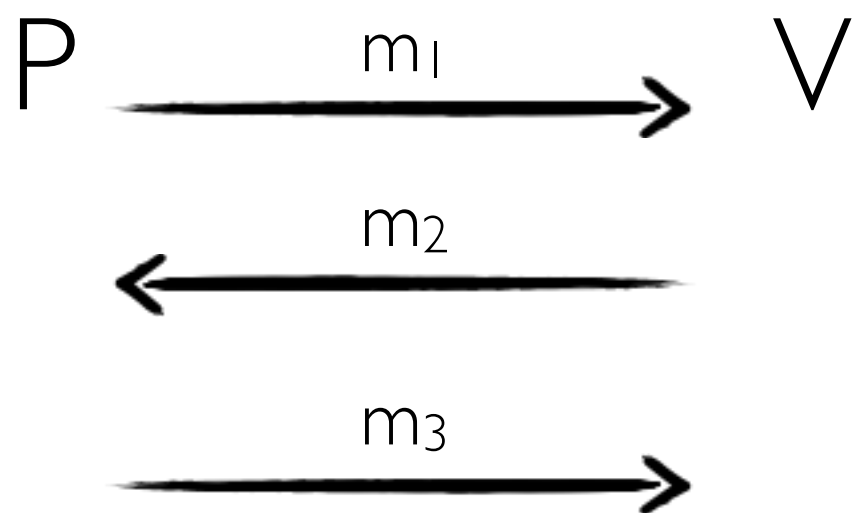
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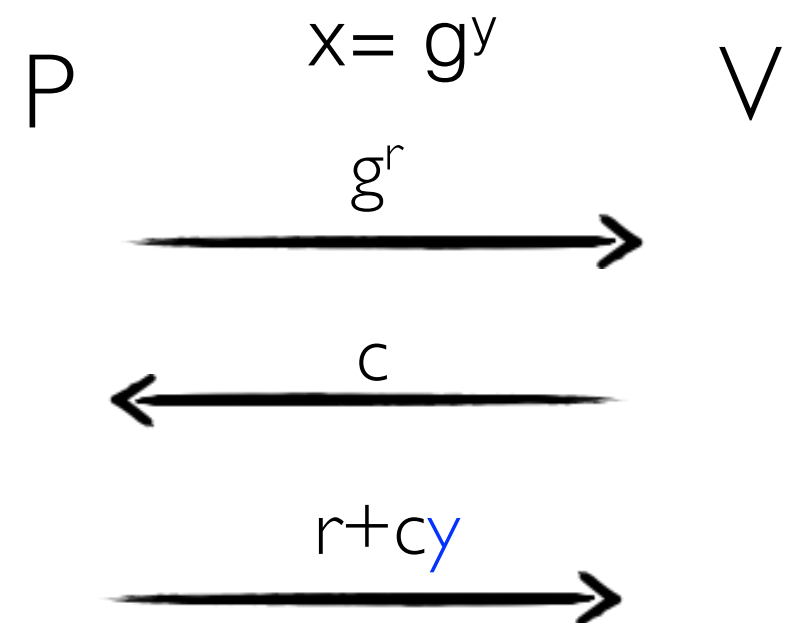


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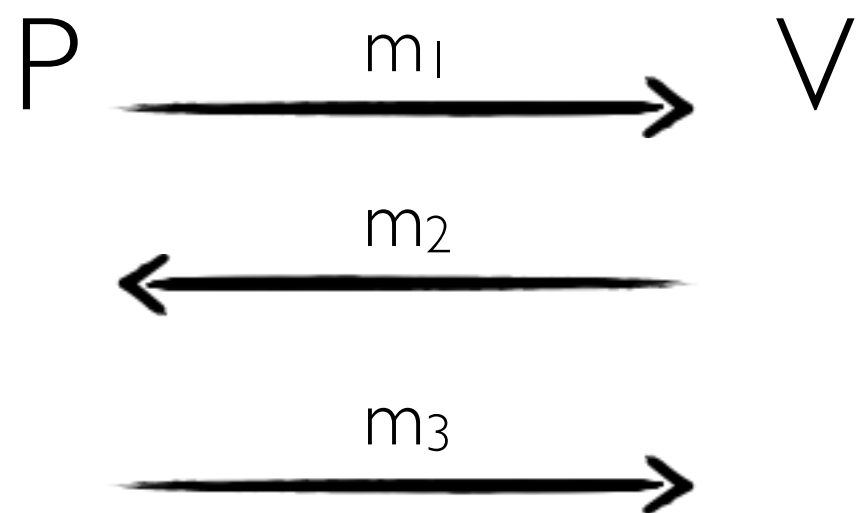
Observation: [LS90] and [Schnorr89] need the theorem and witness only in the last round

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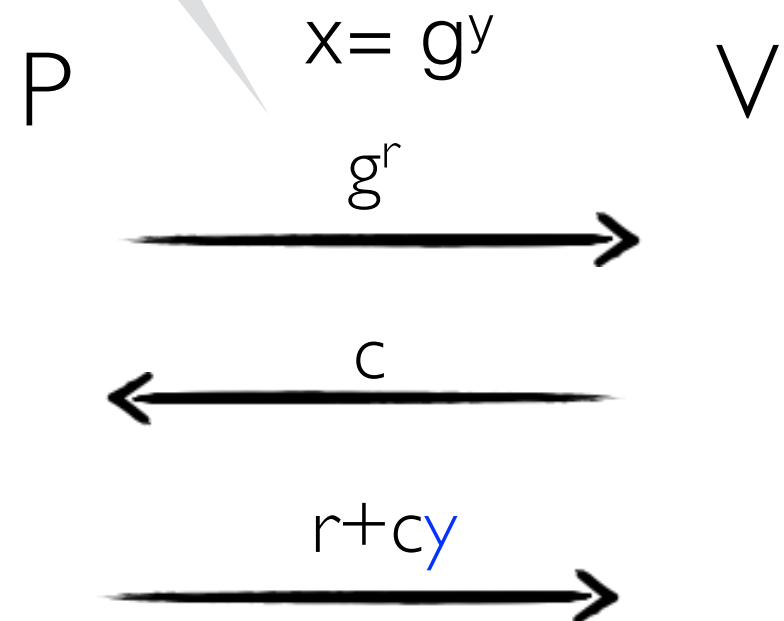
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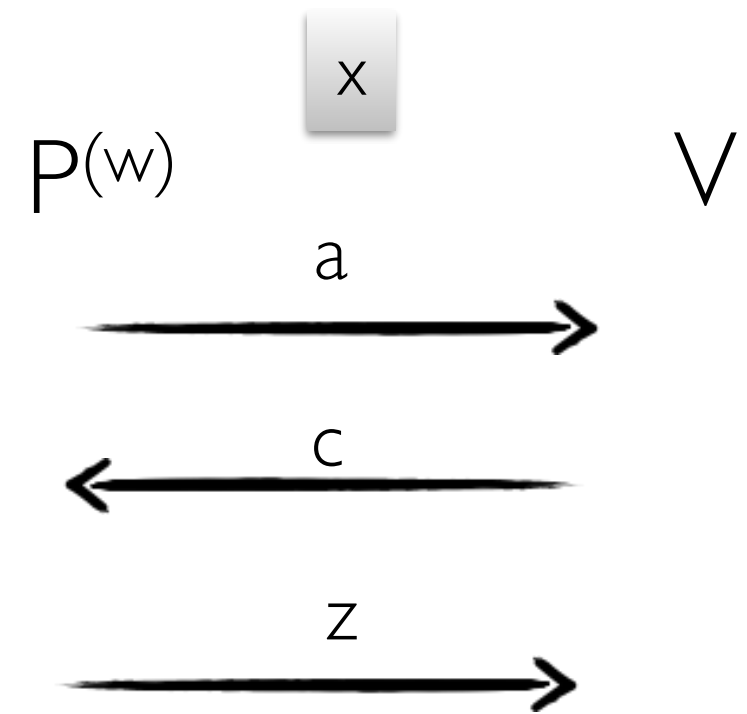
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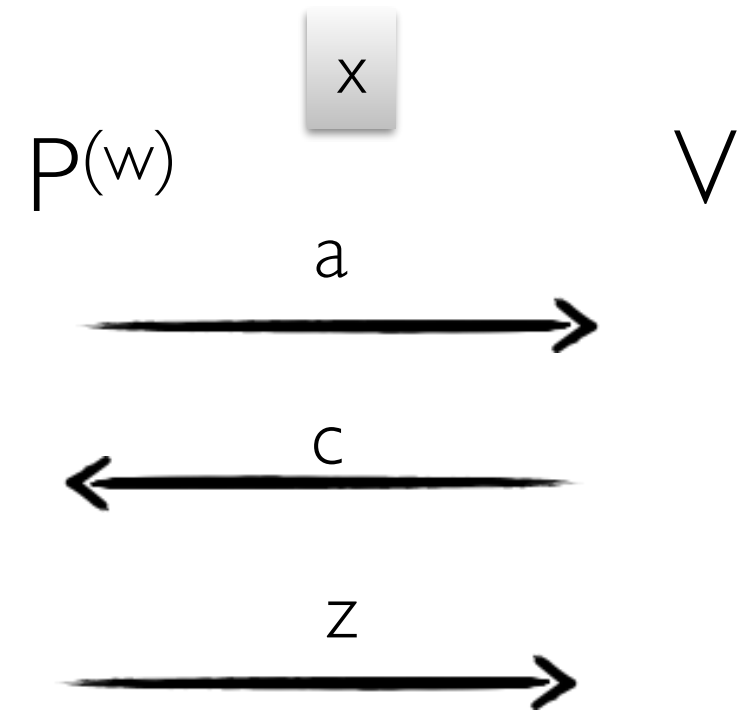


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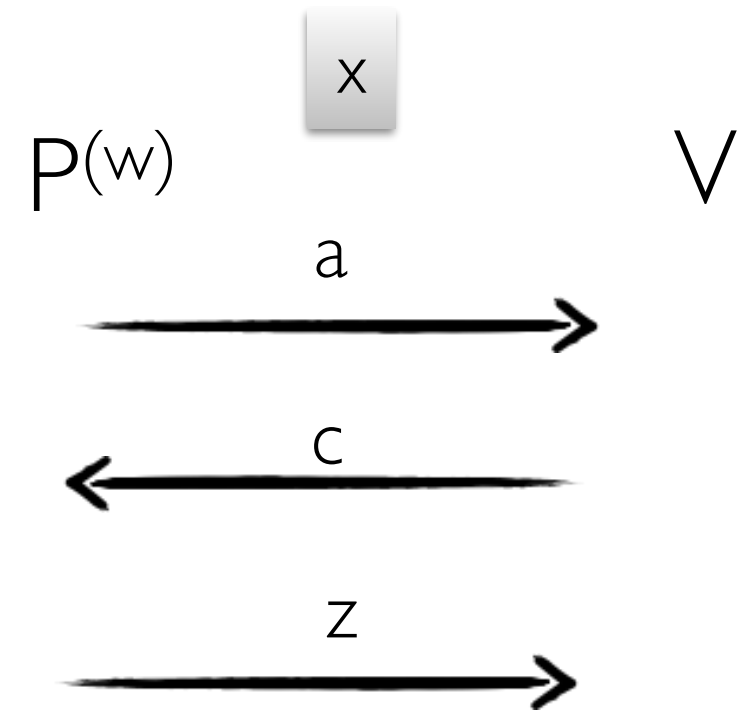
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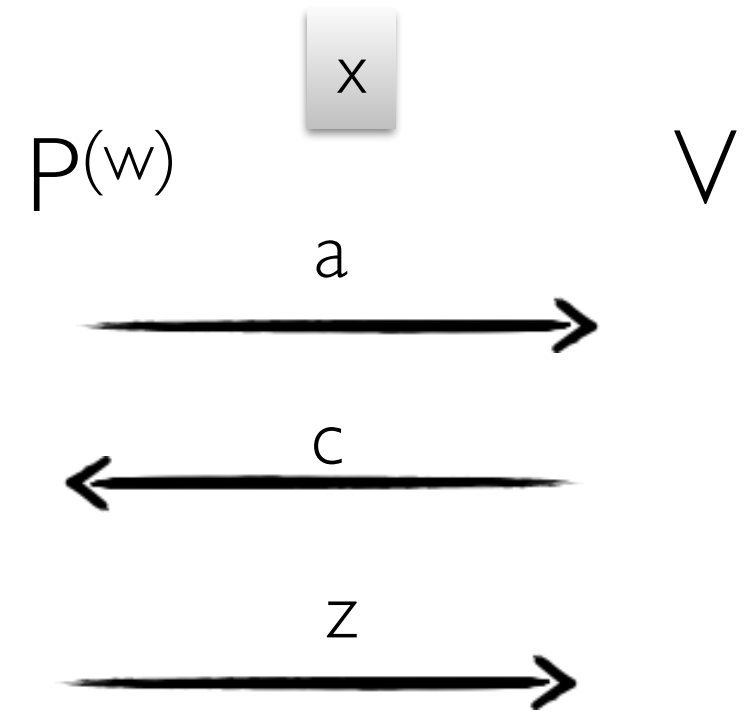
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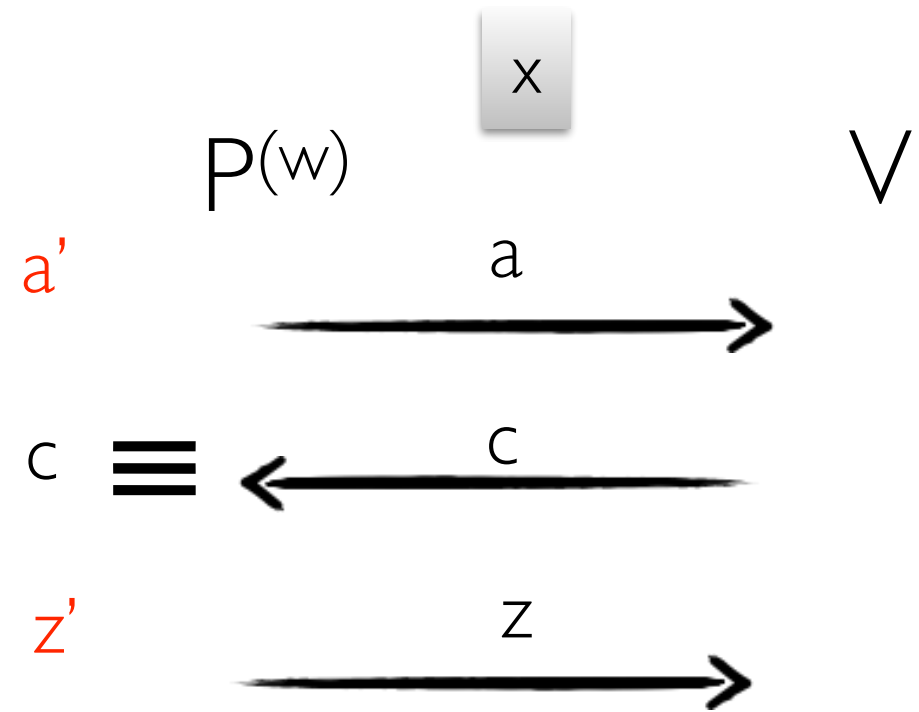
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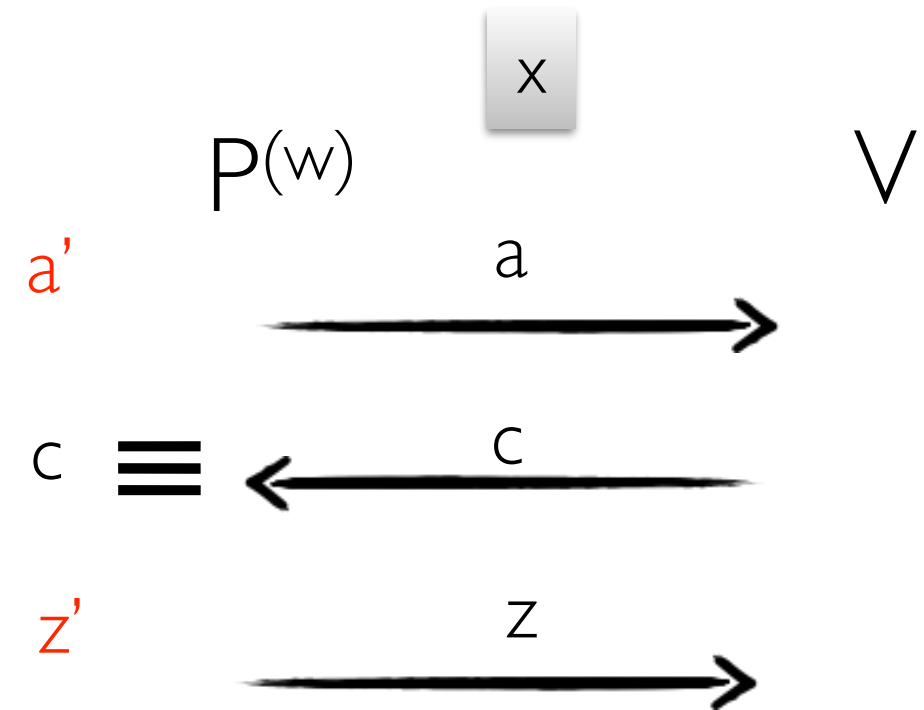


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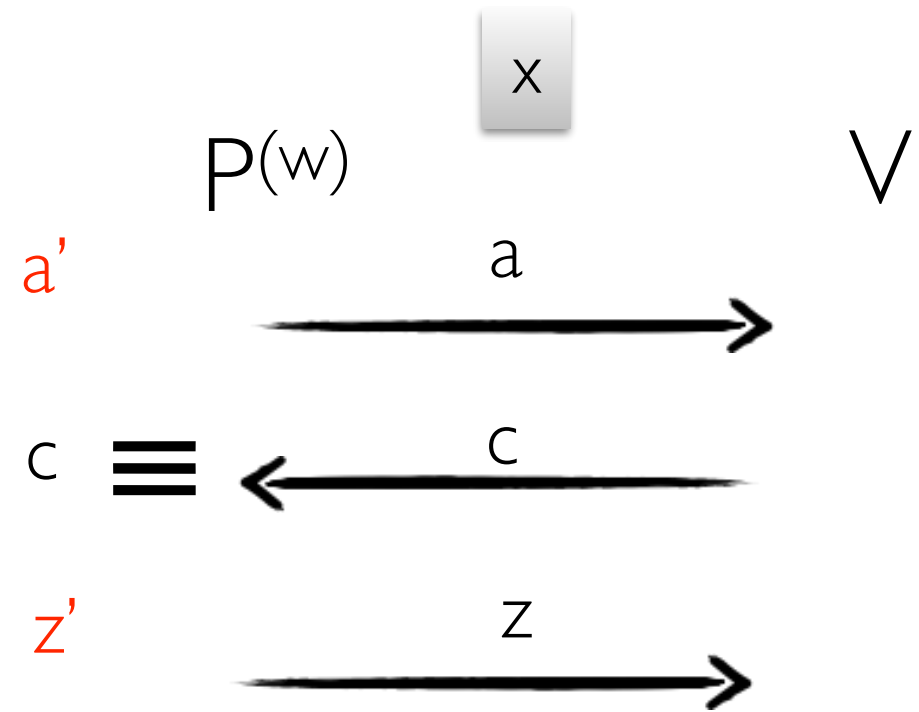


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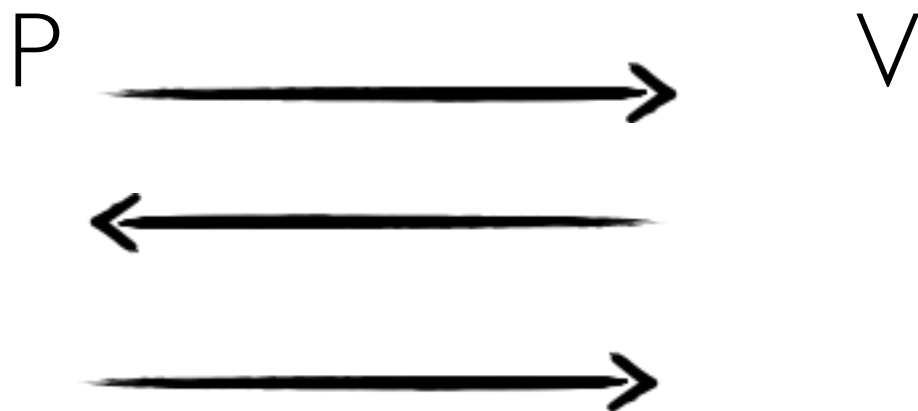
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In both cases you get 3 rounds, WI and PoK

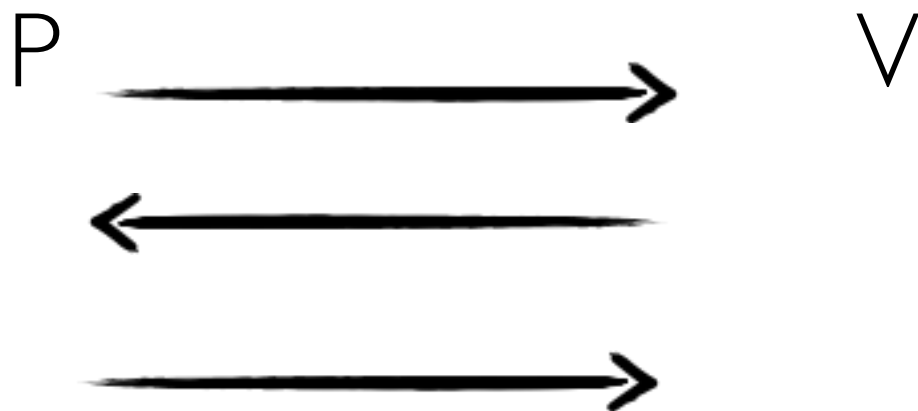
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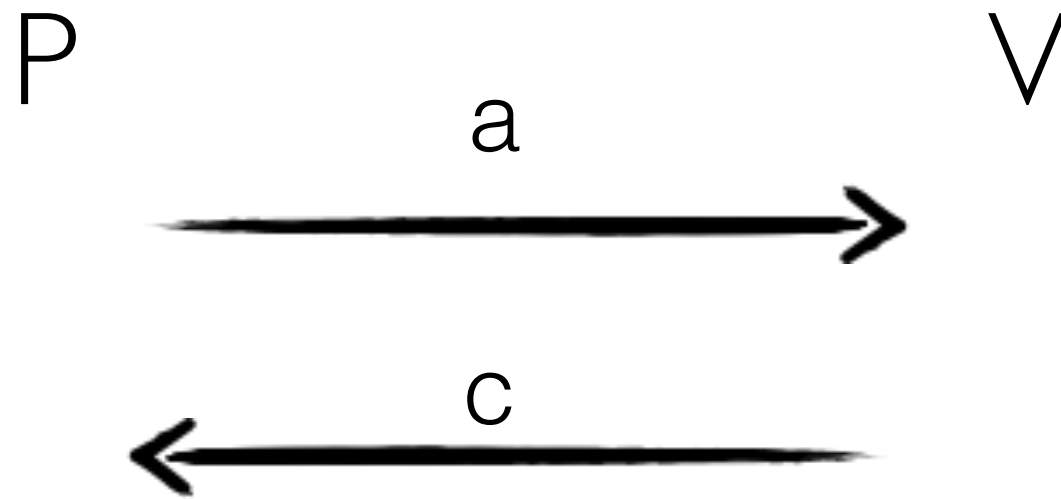
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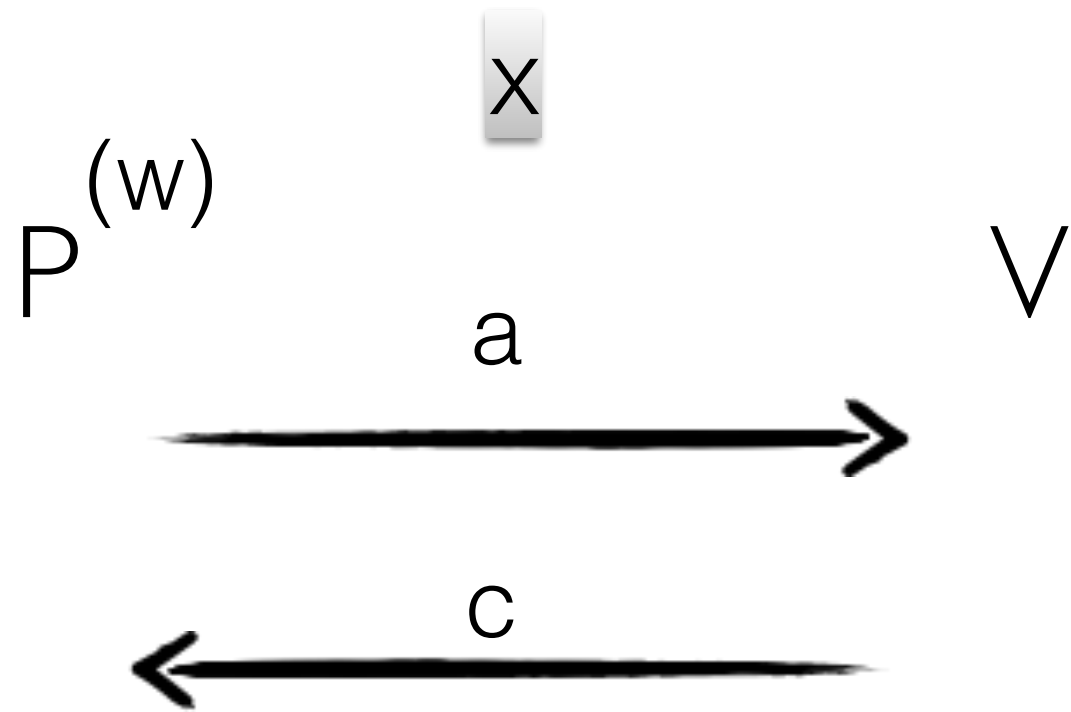
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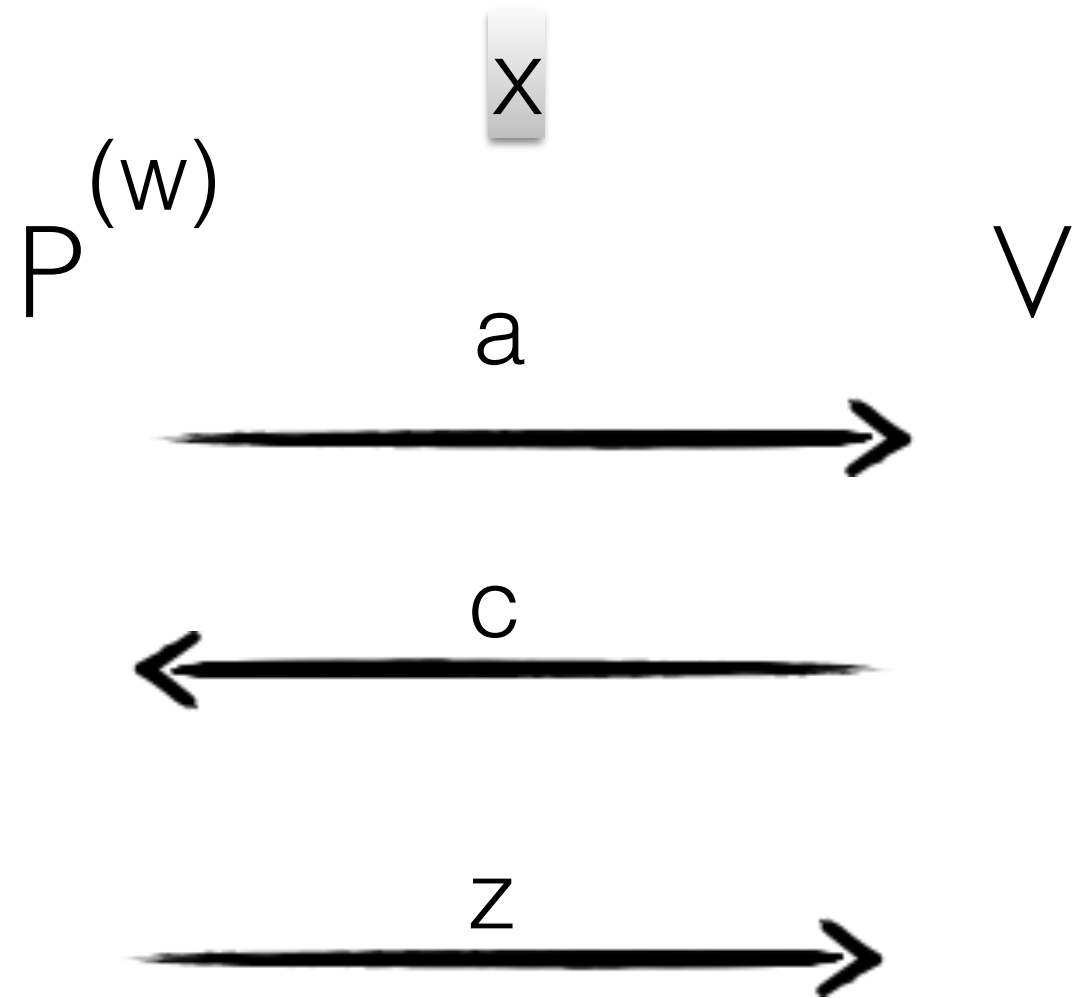
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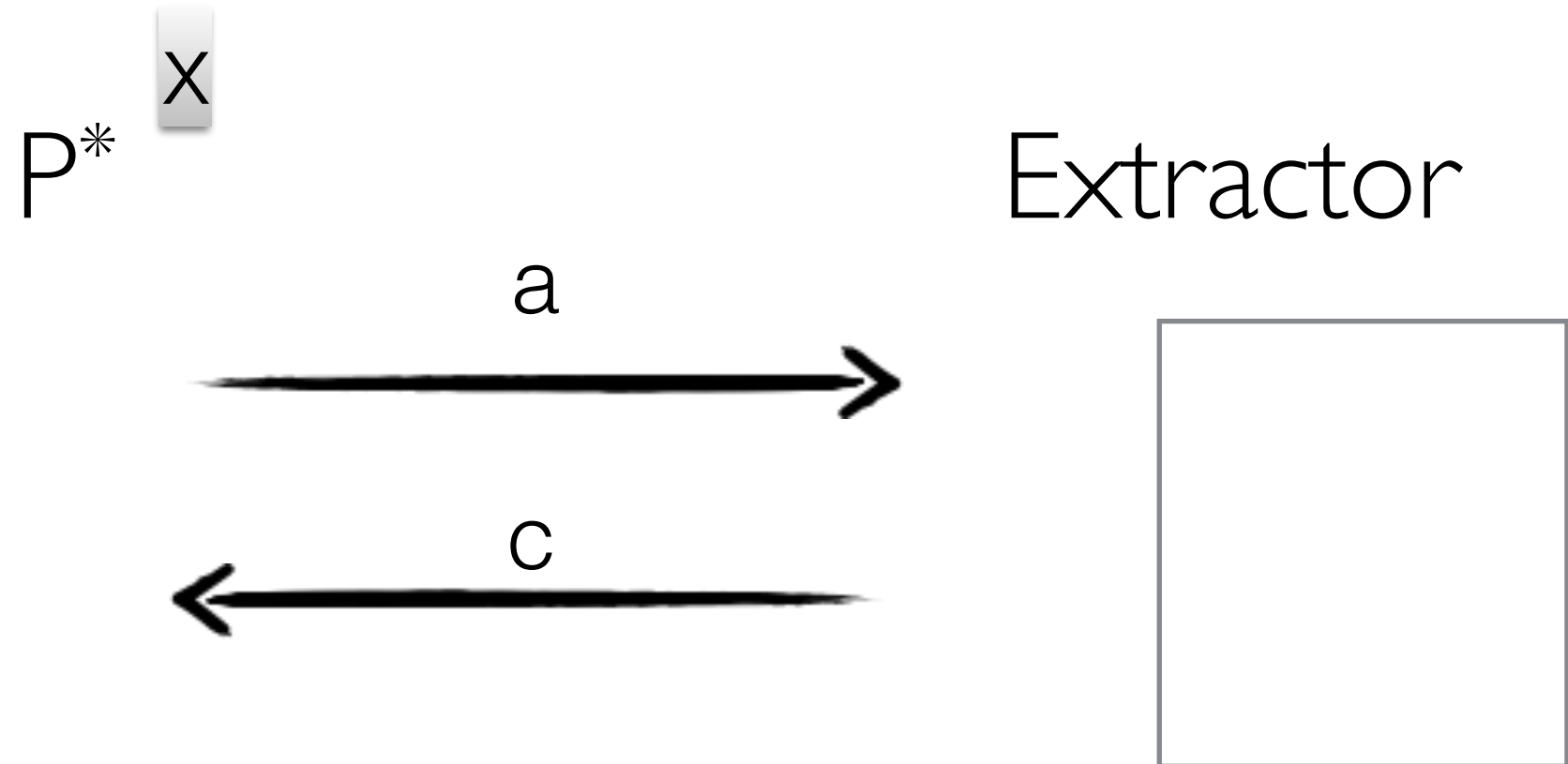
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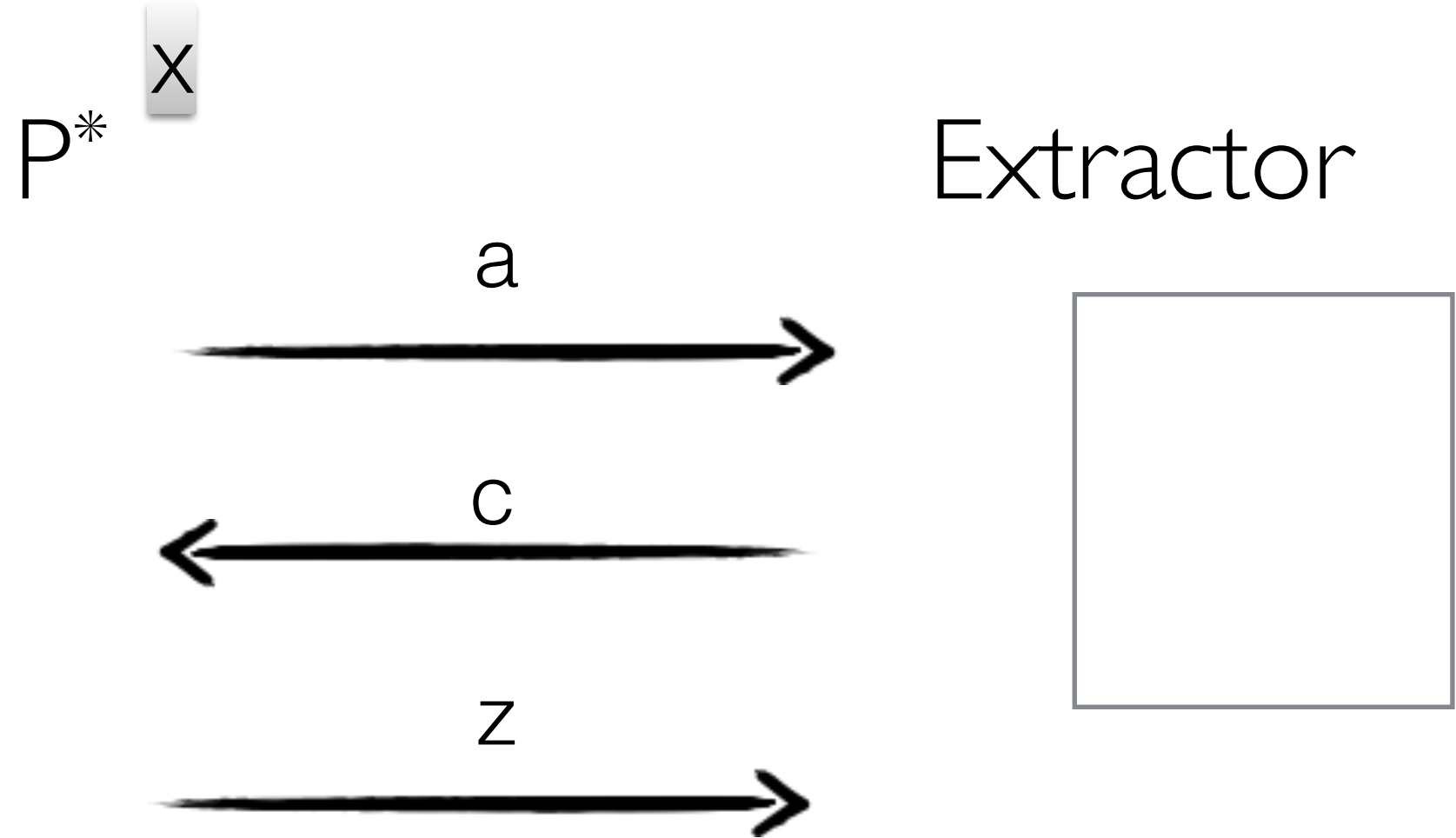
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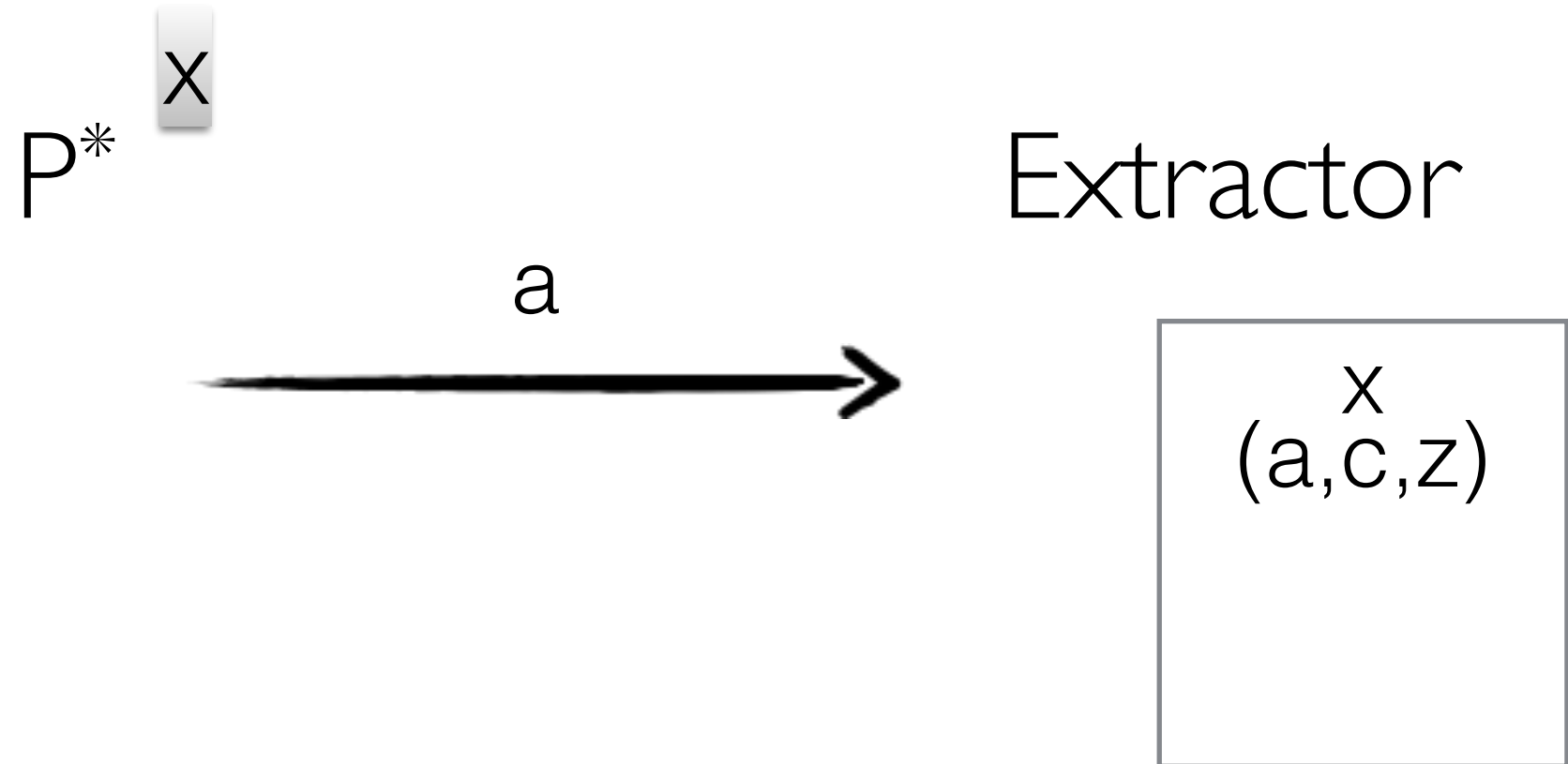
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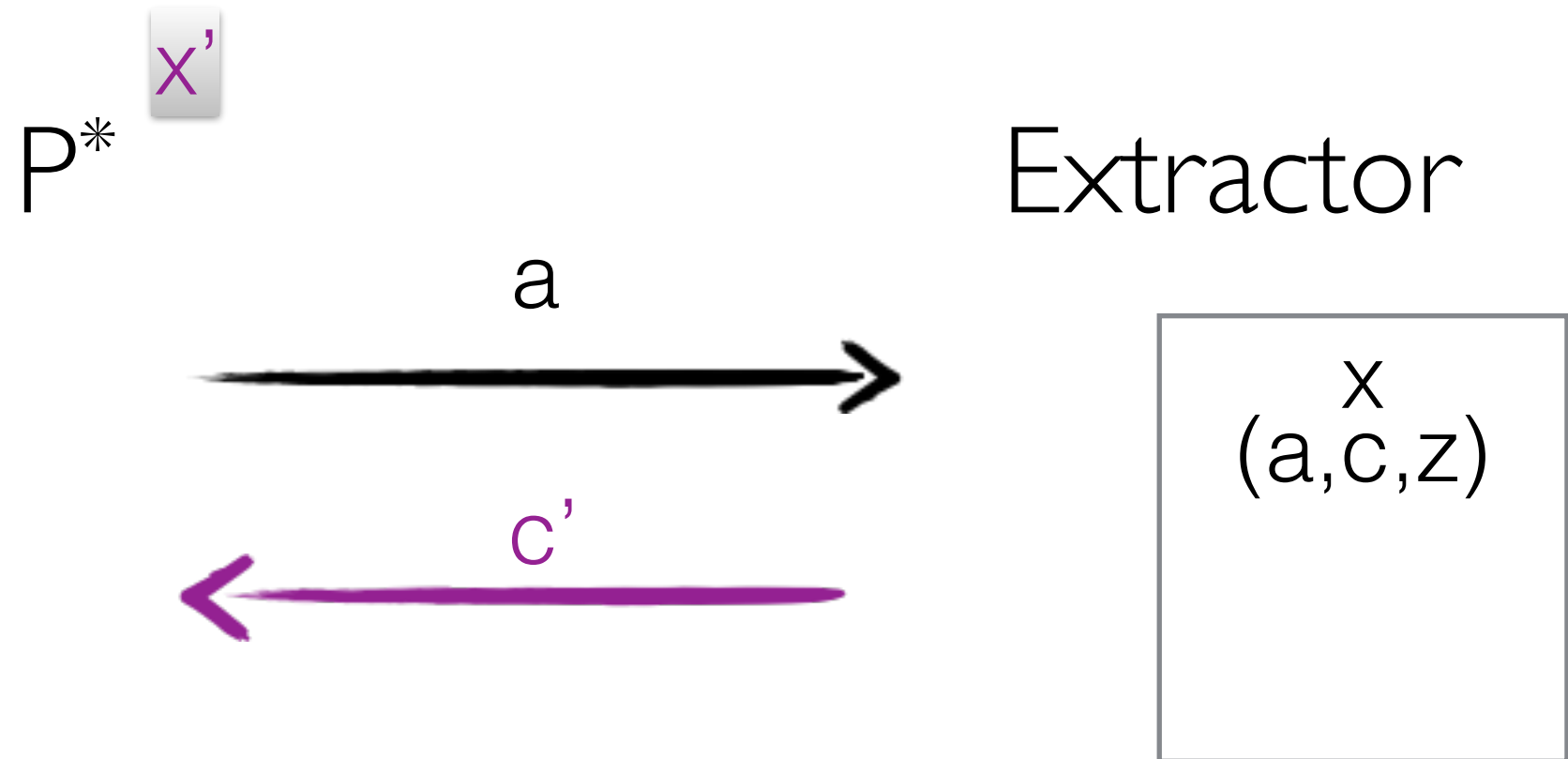
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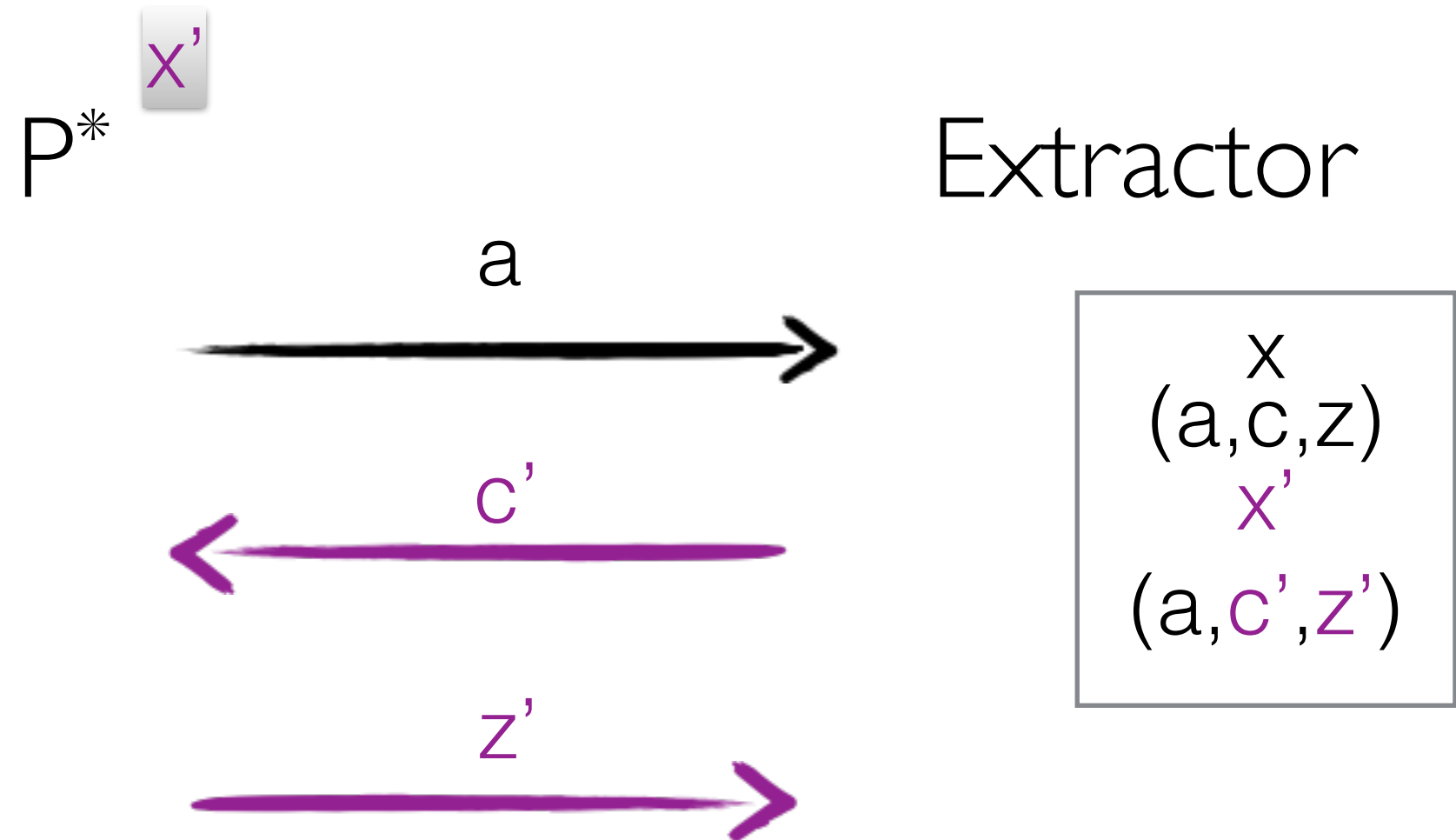
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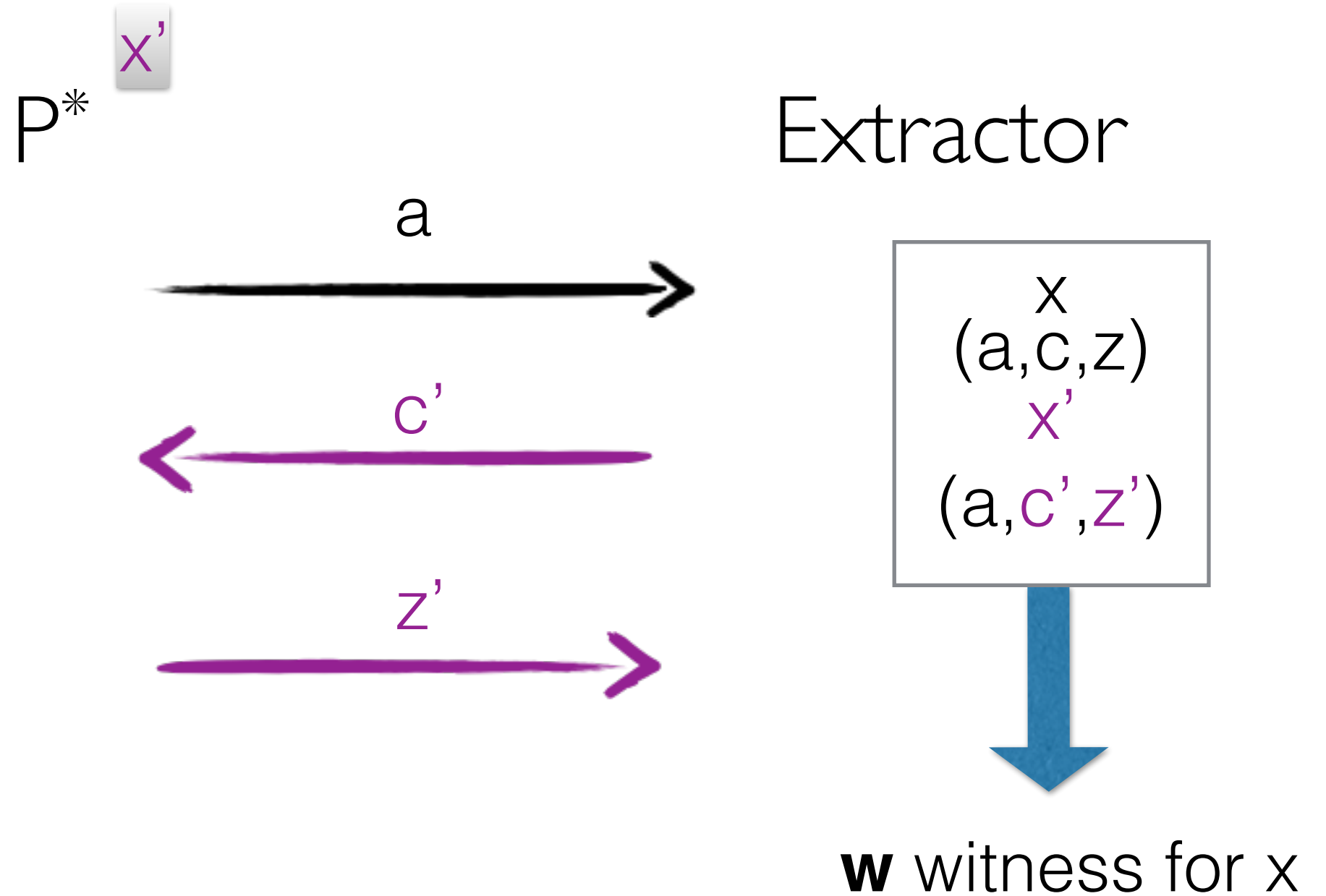
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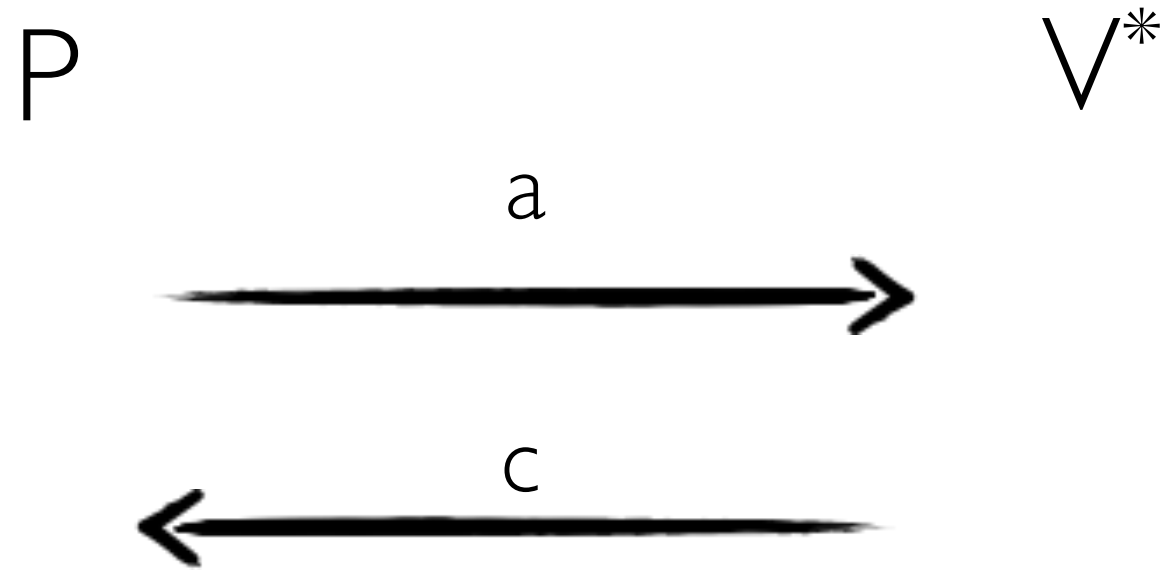
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$P^{(w_b)}$

(x, w_1, w_2)

V^*

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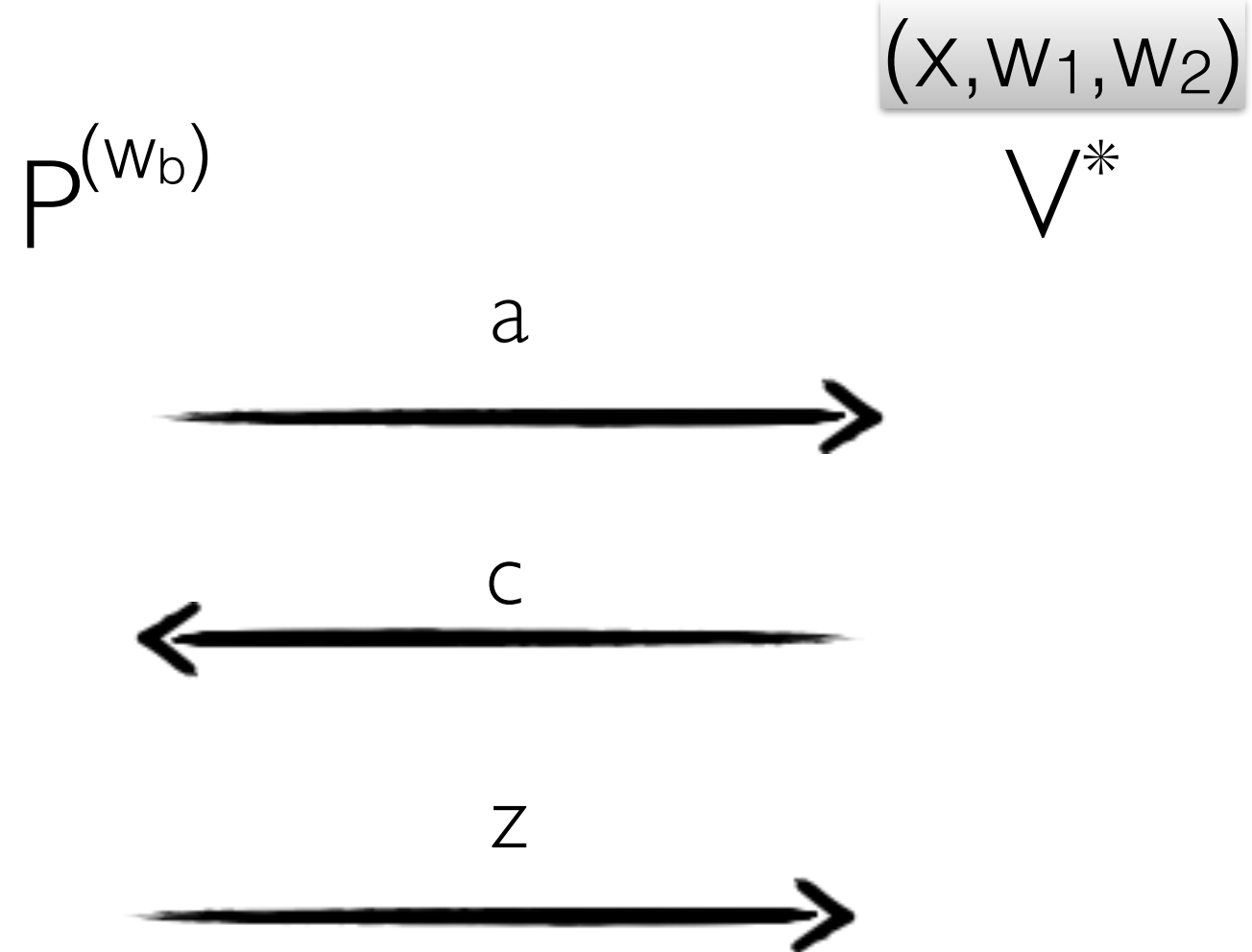


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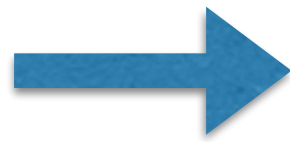
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Recently Delayed-Input completeness is widely used

[GMPP16 – tomorrow], [Kiayias0Z15 – CCS15], [BBKPV16 – eprint]...

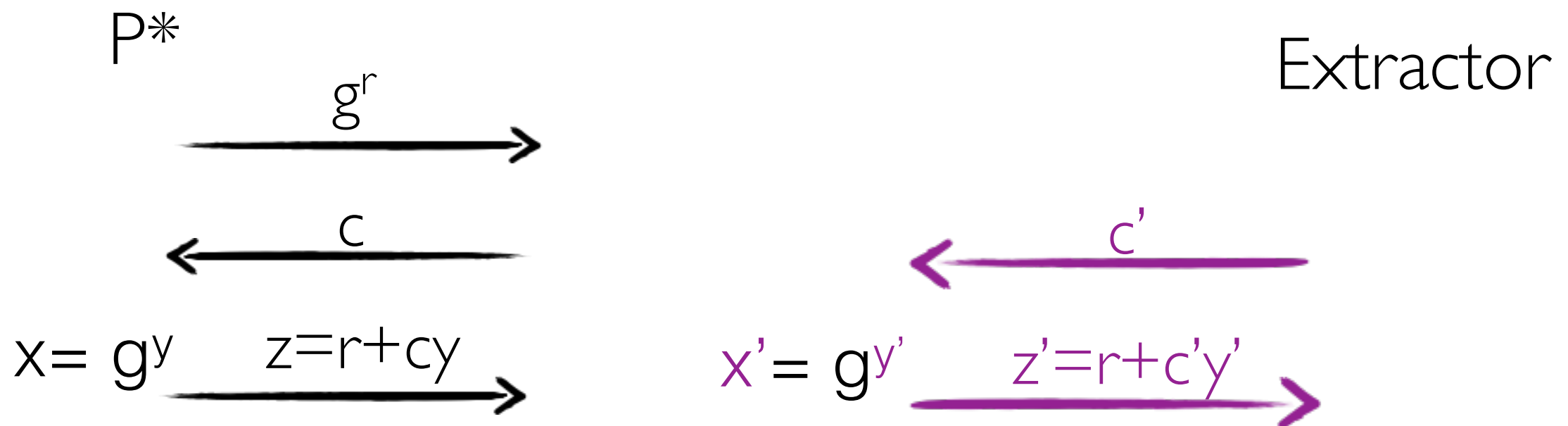
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Our First Result: from PoK to Adaptive-Input PoK

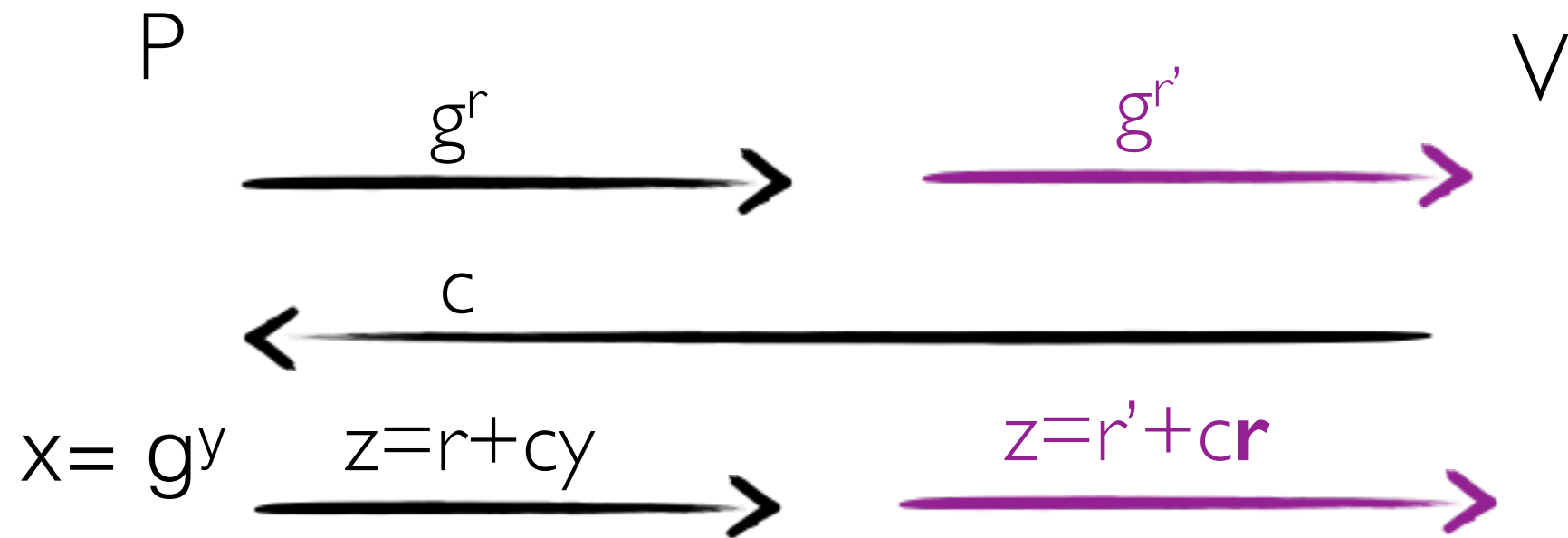
Σ -Protocols (in general) are not Adaptive-Input PoK



Issue observed in [[BernhardPereiraWarinschi12](#)] about the weak Fiat-Shamir transform

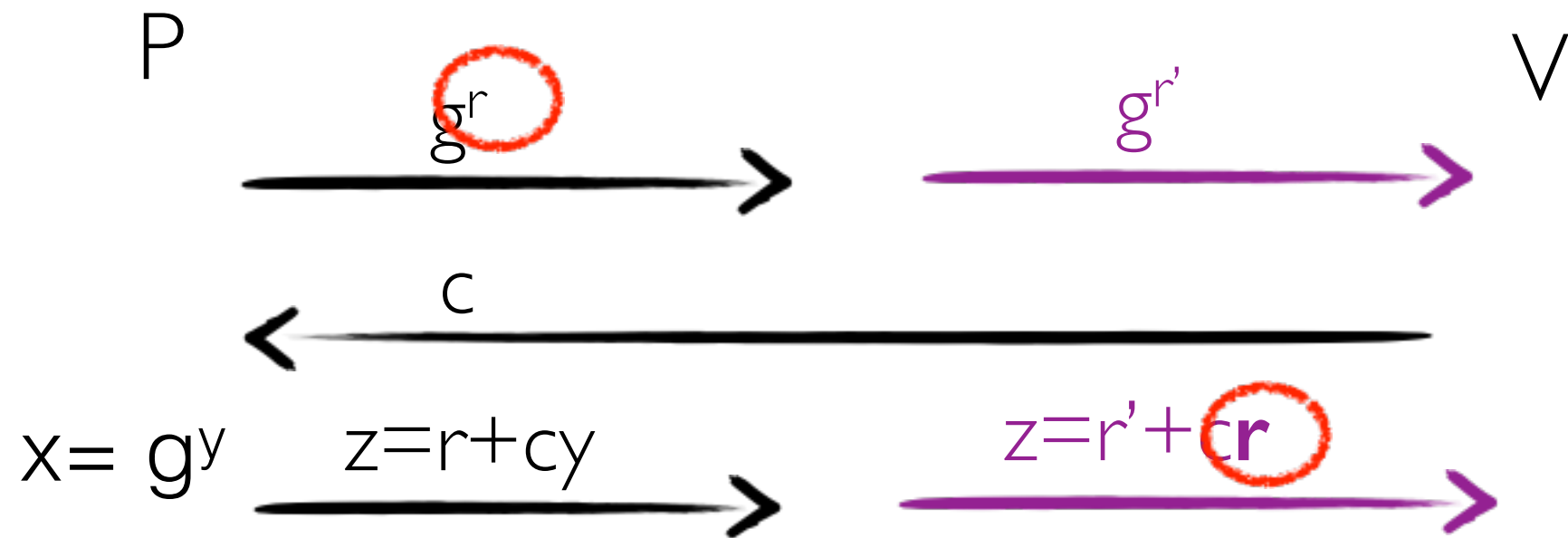
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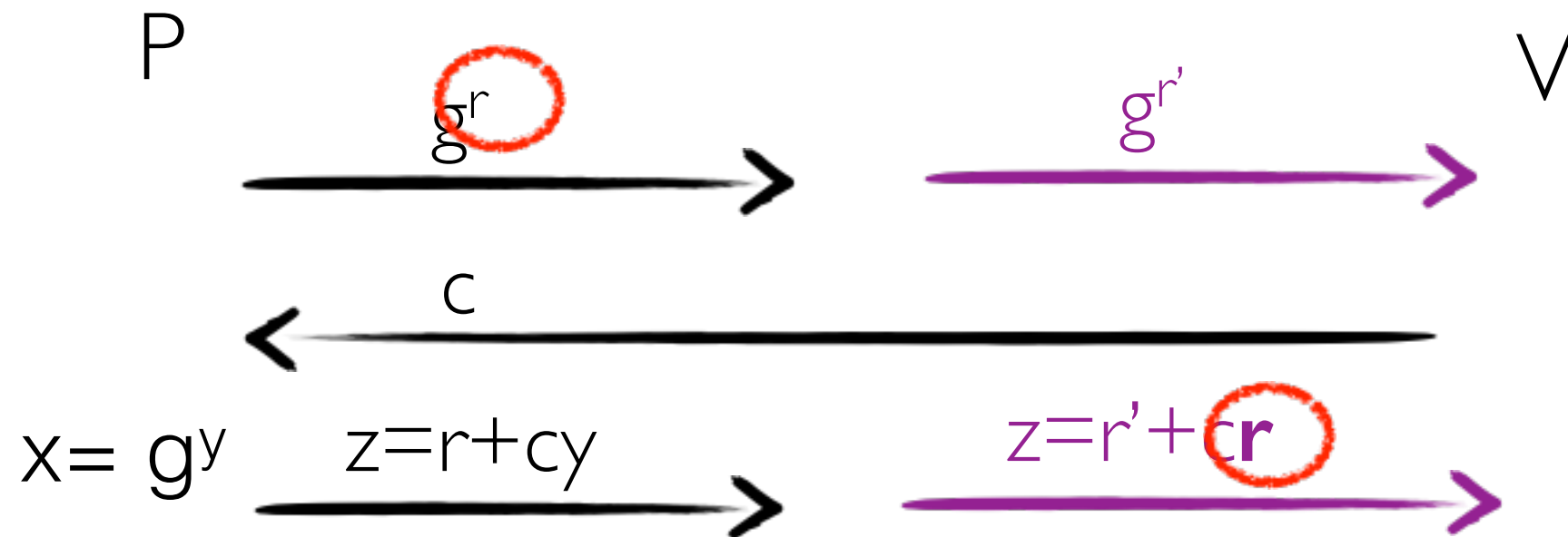
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Our transform applies to the class described in
[Cramer96, Maurer15, CramerDamgard98]

e.g. Schnorr, Guillou–Quisquater, Diffie–Hellman, Multiplication proof for pedersen commitments, ...

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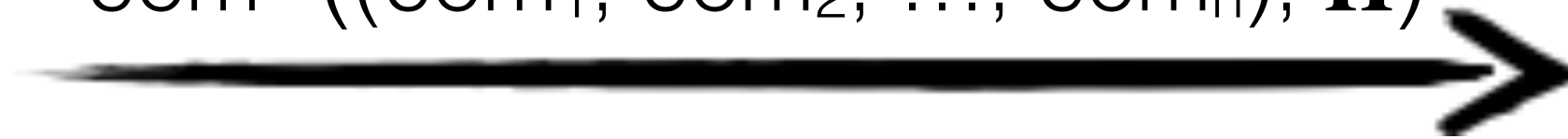
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| [CDS94] | / | / | / | k out of n^* | Entire protocol |
| [CPSSV16] | / | Semi-Delayed Input | 1 out of 2 (1 adaptive) | k out of n^* | Entire protocol |
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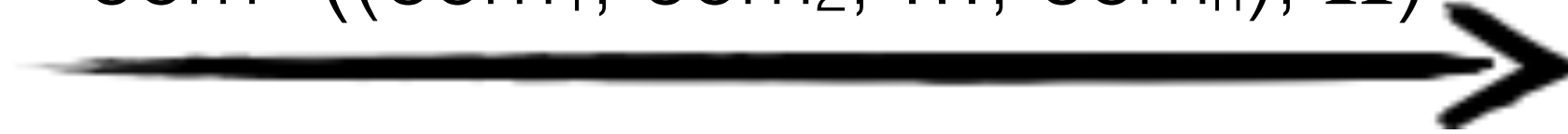
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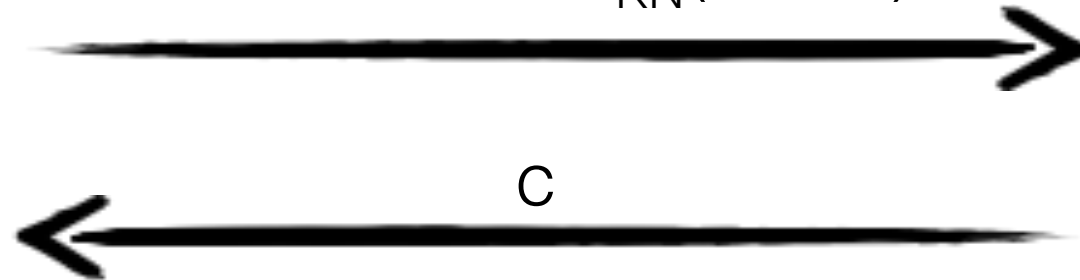
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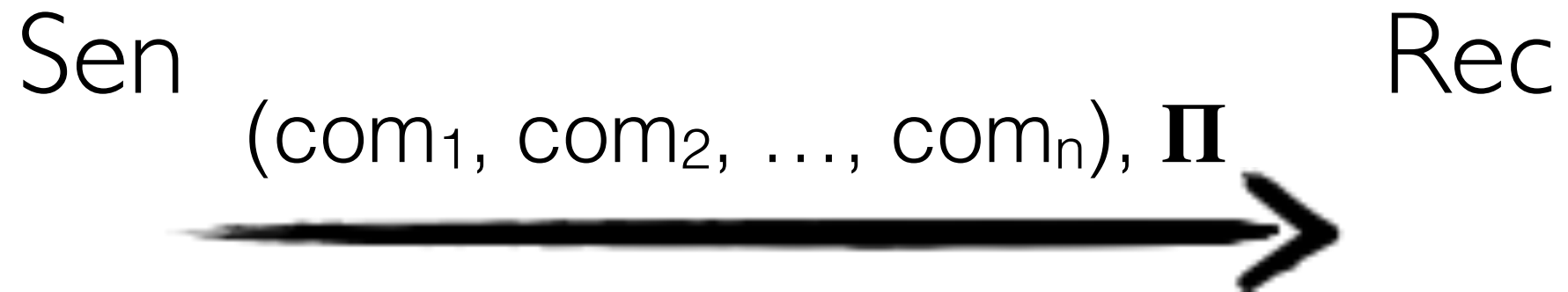
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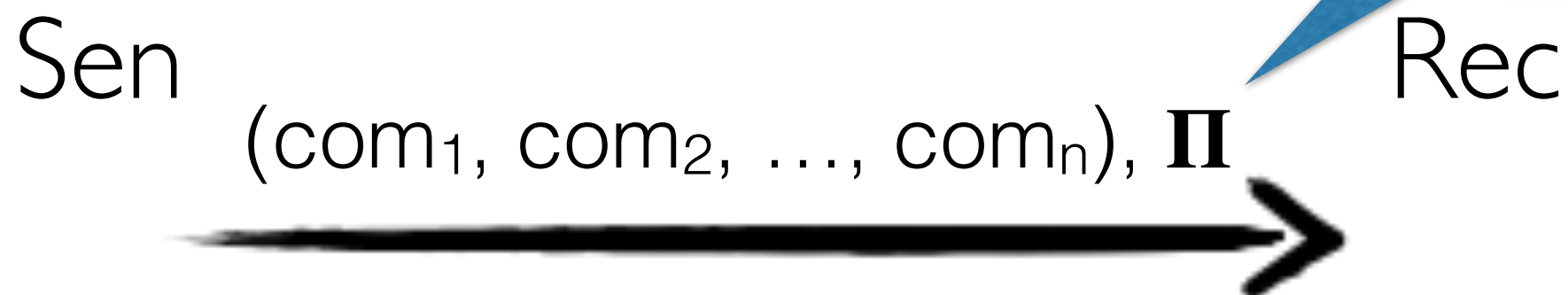
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Constructions of IDTC follow directly from known constructions of Trapdoor Commitments from Σ -Protocols [Dam10, HL10, DN02]

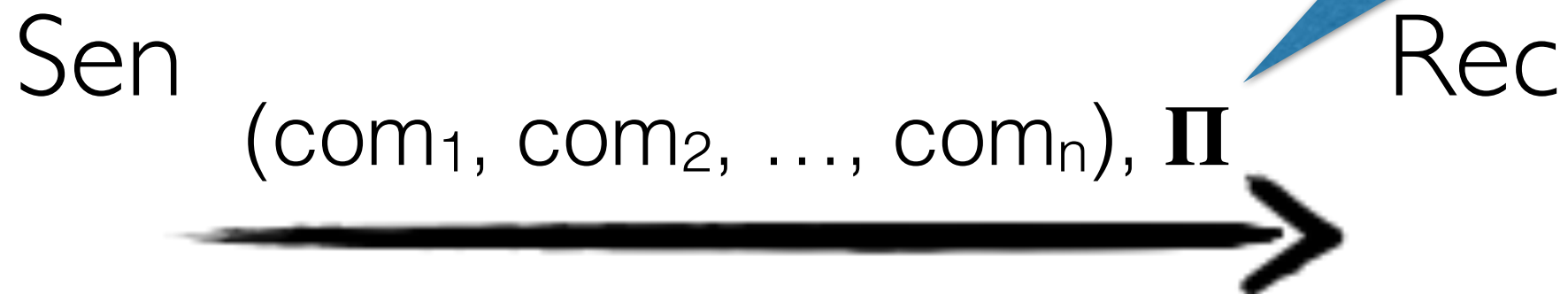
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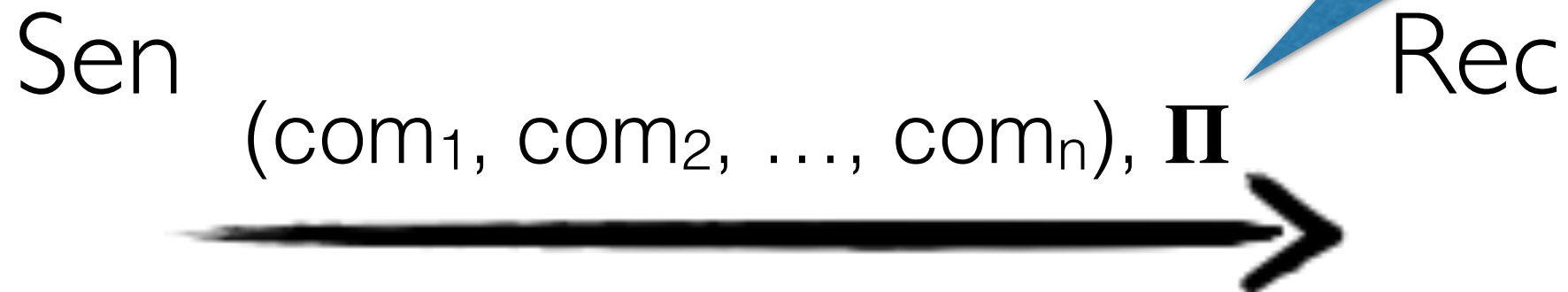


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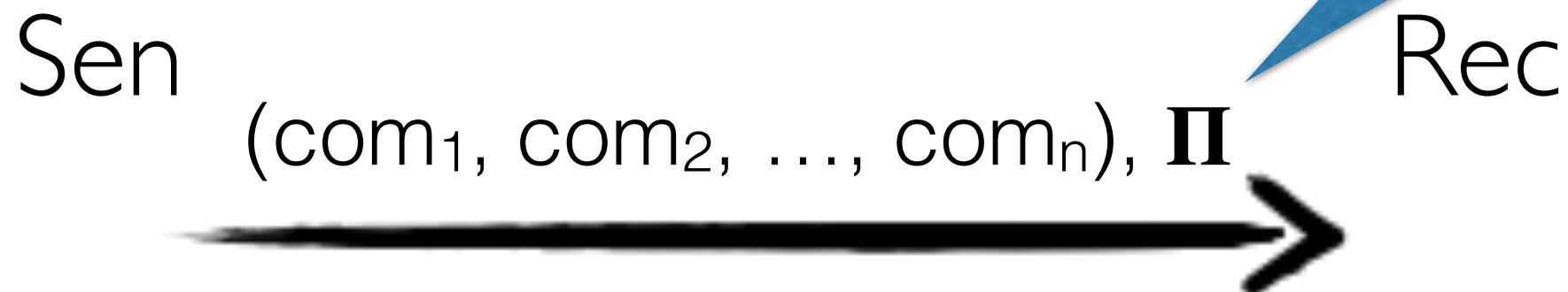
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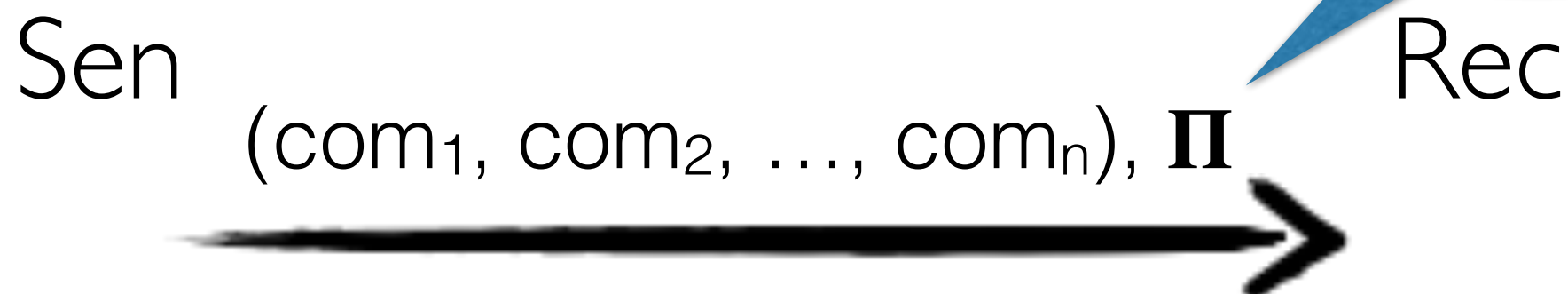
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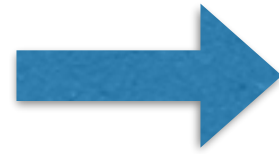
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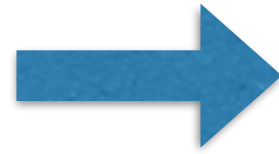


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More Results of Our Work

- ◆ Our previous construction works for any (\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{n})
- ◆ In the paper you can also find a construction that works for different NP-relations (e.g. $\mathbf{R}_{D\log}$ or \mathbf{R}_{DH}) (This construction is non-trivial and uses as a sub-protocol the construction showed before)
- ◆ We give also a compiler that transform a Σ -Protocol (belonging to the class described in [[Cra96](#), [Mau15](#), [CD98](#)]) in an **Adaptive-Input PoK**
- ◆ **Open problem**
 - Is it possible to extend adaptive PoK to a larger class of Σ -Protocols?

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