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Secure Computation

EWSCS, Lecture 3

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What we learned this morning

- If you can **securely compute random multiplications**, you can compute any function.
- This lecture: **Oblivious Transfer** (*or how to compute random multiplications modulo 2*)
 - Definition and simple reductions
 - OT Extension
 - OT from PKE+
 - NaorPinkas OT
 - PVW OT



What we learned this morning



How to compute $[z]=[xy]$?

Alice, Bob should compute

$$z_A + z_B = (x_A + x_B)(y_A + y_B)$$

$$= x_A y_A + x_B y_A + x_A y_B + x_B y_B$$

Alice can
compute this

Bob can
compute this

How do we
compute this?

On the use of computational assumptions

- How much can we ask users to trust crypto?
 1. **Necessary** (one way functions are needed for symmetric crypto, public key crypto is probably needed for 2PC)
 2. **We must believe that some problems are hard** (e.g., breaking RSA or breaking AES). But we should not ask for more trust than needed!
 3. Construct complex systems based on well studied assumptions. Then prove (via reduction), that ***any adv that can break property X of system S can be used to solve computational problem P.***
 4. **If we believe problem P to be hard, then we conclude that system S has property X.**

The Crypto Toolbox



Weaker assumption

Stronger assumption

OTP >> SKE >> PKE >> FHE >> Obfuscation

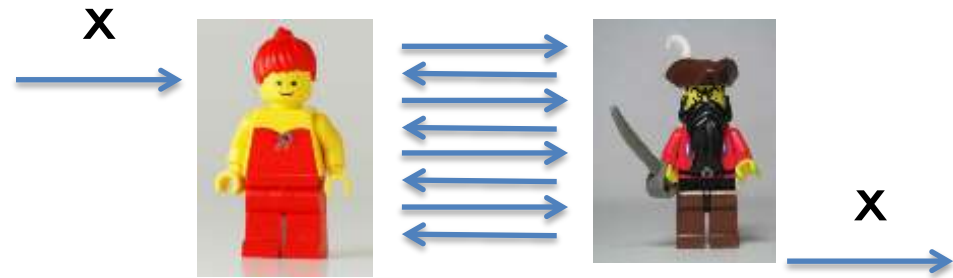
More efficient



Less efficient

REDUCTION PROOF

- **If:** an adversary can break the security (e.g., learn the secret input x)
- **Then:** use this adversary as a subroutine to break the security of RSA
- **But:** we believe RSA is hard
- **So:** the protocol must be secure



Oblivious Transfer

Bits or strings...



- **Receiver** learns just one message
- **Sender** does not learn which one
- **OT is a fundamental cryptographic primitive**
 - **Necessary and sufficient for MPC**
 - Can be also instantiated using non crypto assumptions (noise, quantum)

The Crypto Toolbox

OT \approx PKE



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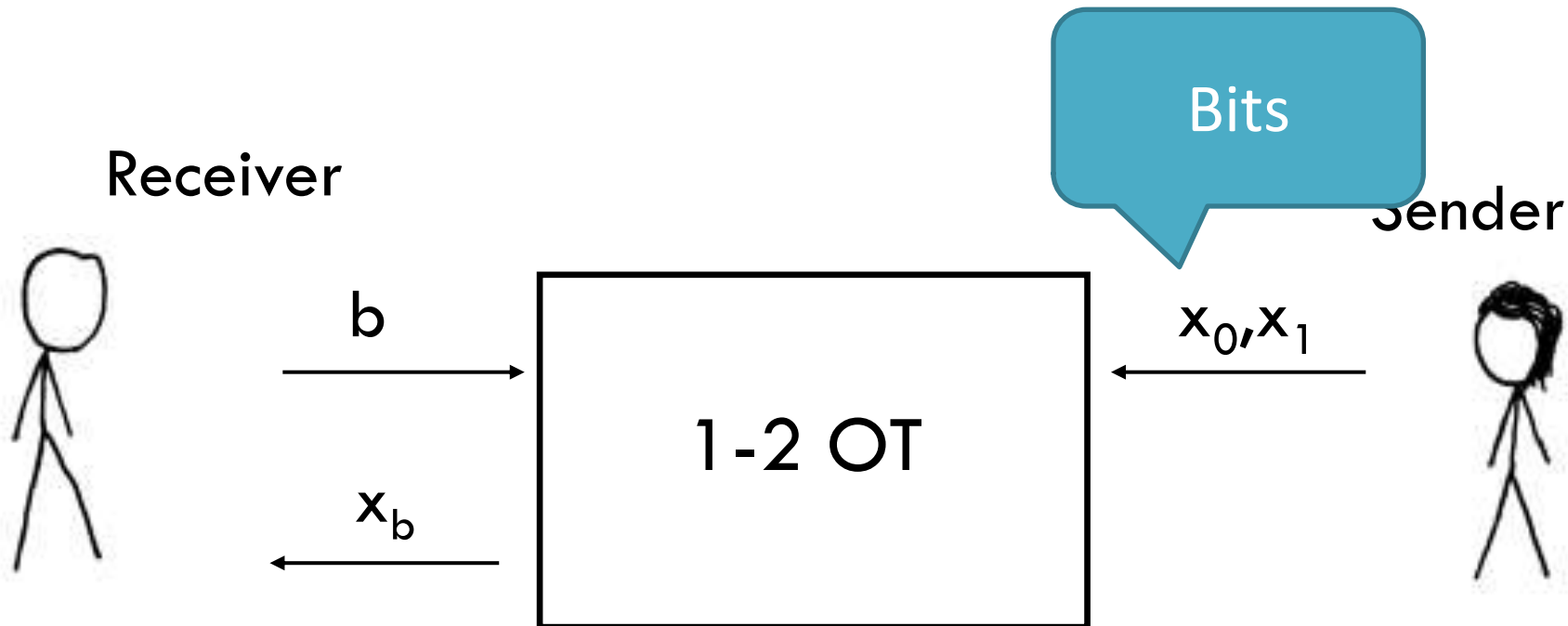
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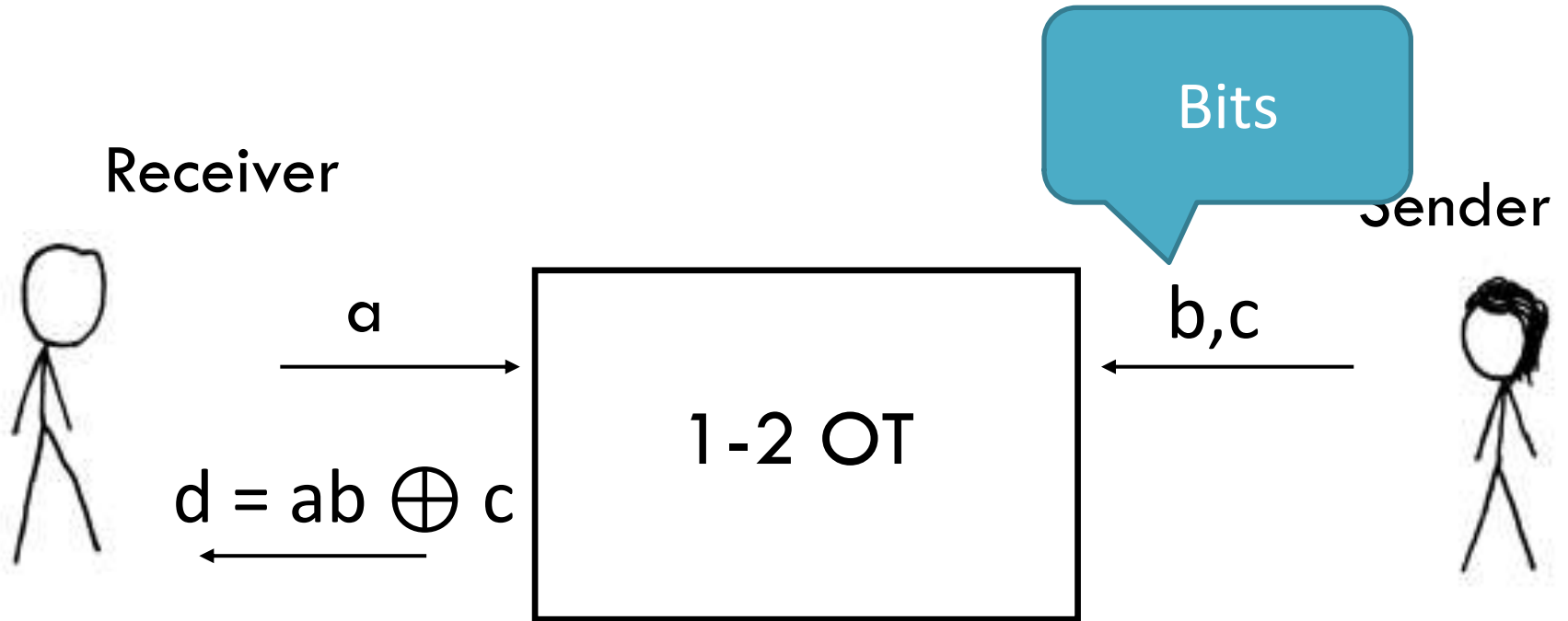
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Simple properties of Oblivious Transfer

OT = shared AND



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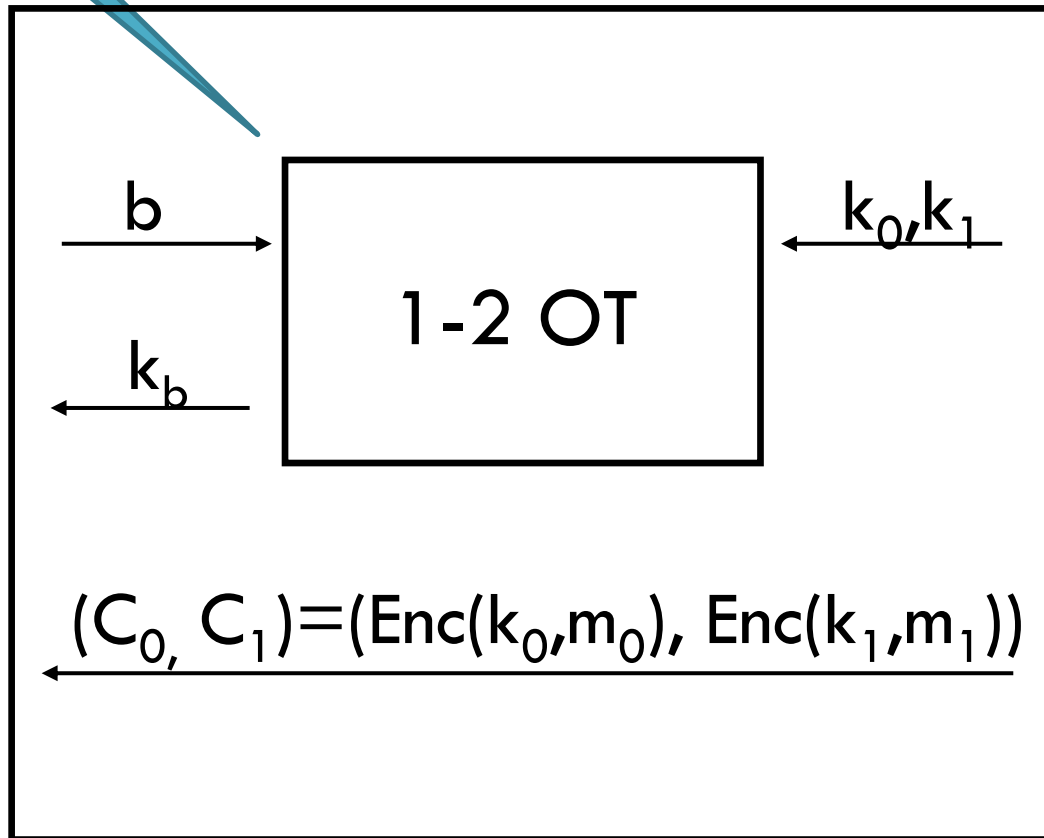
k-bit strings

Stretching OT

poly(k)-bit strings

Receiver

Sender



$$m_b = \text{Dec}(k_b, C_b)$$

Random OT = OT

Receiver

Sender



b

m_0, m_1

c, r_c

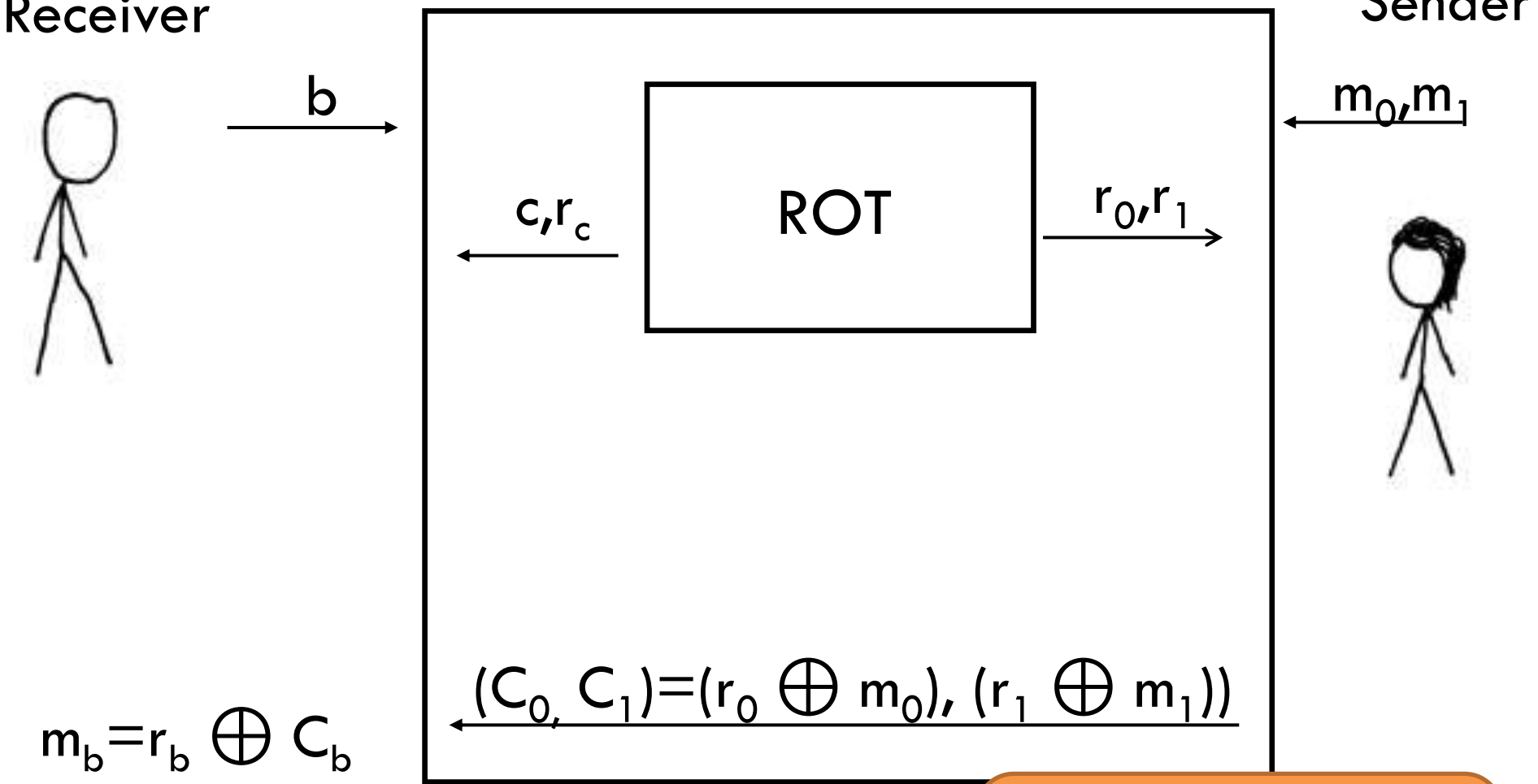
ROT

r_0, r_1

$(C_0, C_1) = (r_0 \oplus m_0, r_1 \oplus m_1)$

$m_b = r_b \oplus C_b$

if $b=c$

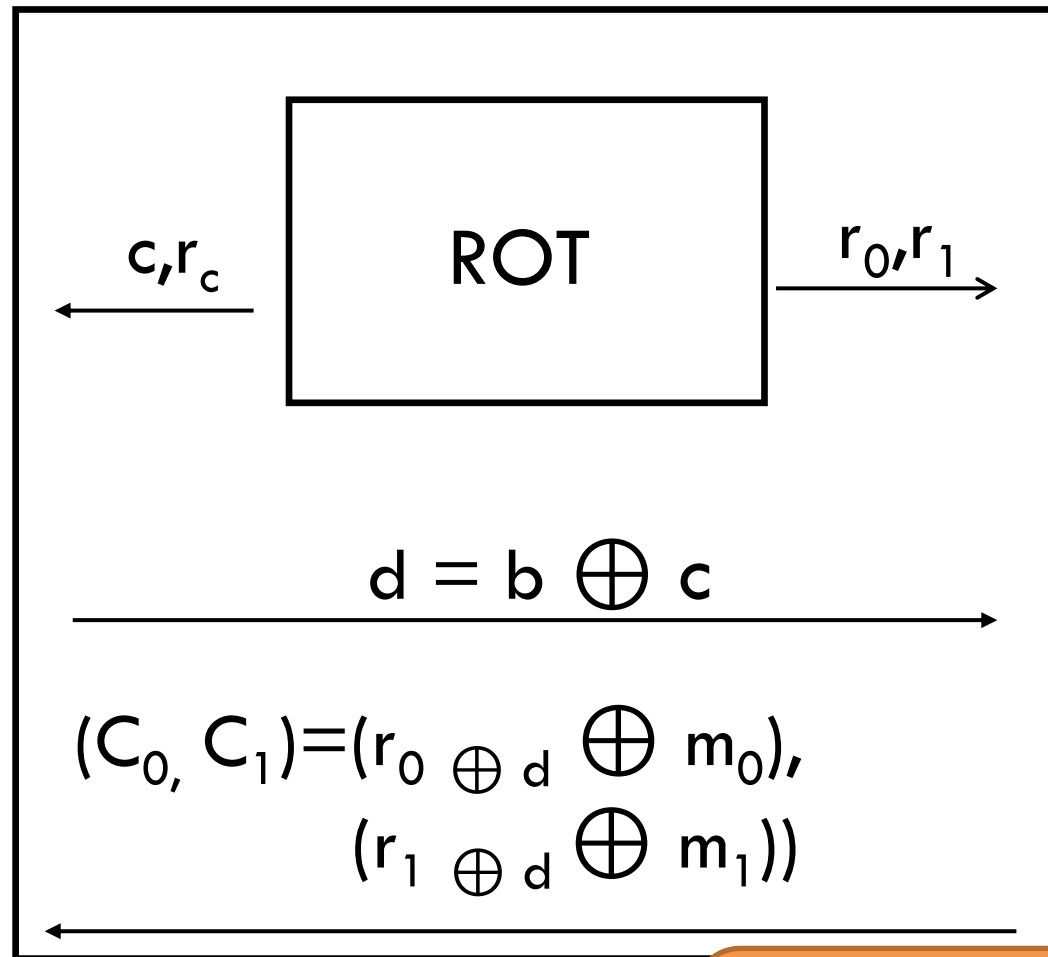


Random OT = OT

Receiver



b



Sender

m_0, m_1



c, r_c

ROT

r_0, r_1

$$d = b \oplus c$$

$$(C_0, C_1) = (r_0 \oplus d \oplus m_0, r_1 \oplus d \oplus m_1)$$

$$m_b = r_c \oplus C_b$$

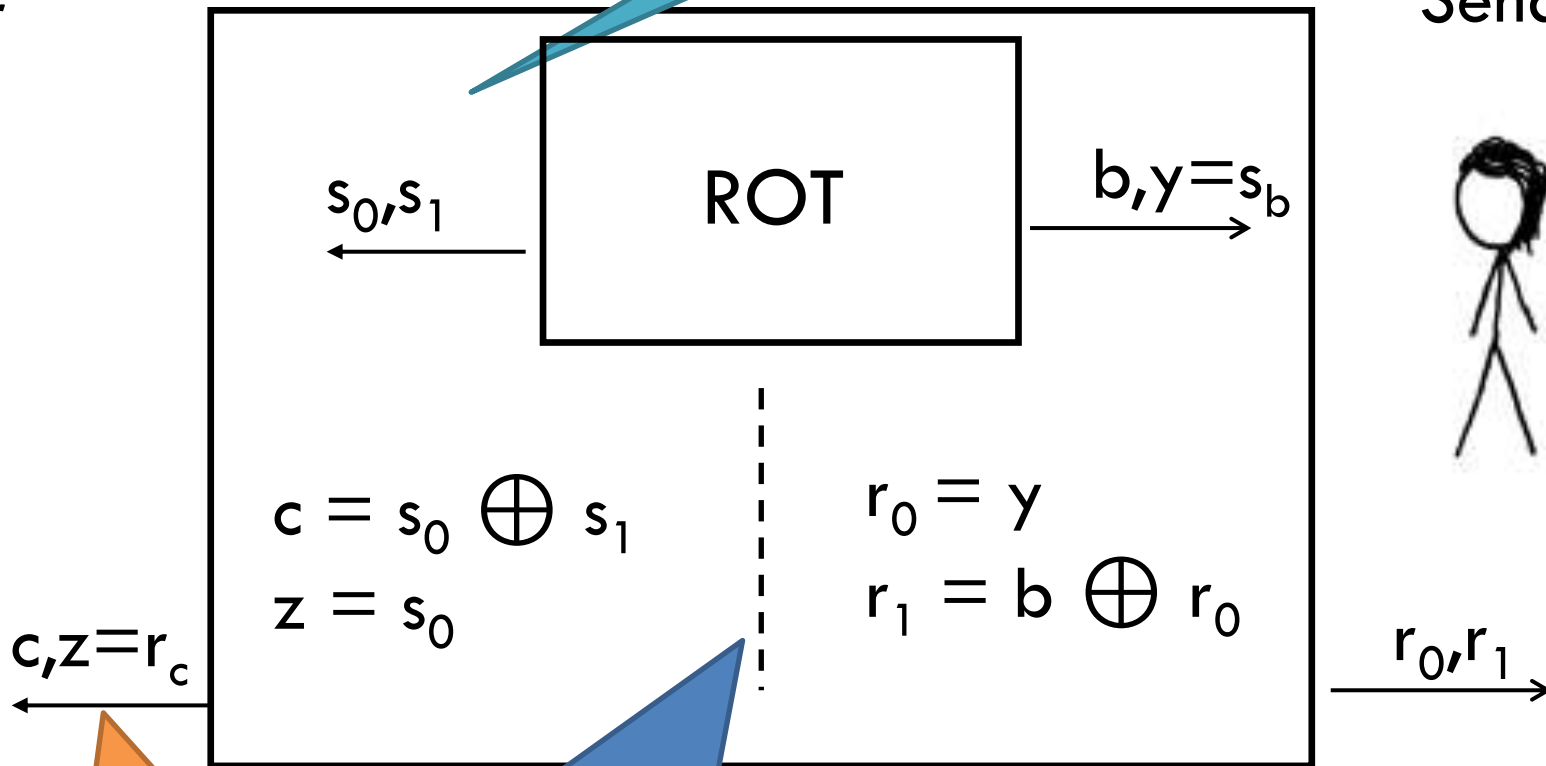
Exercise: check that it works!

(R)OT is symmetric

bits

Receiver

Sender



Exercise: check that it works

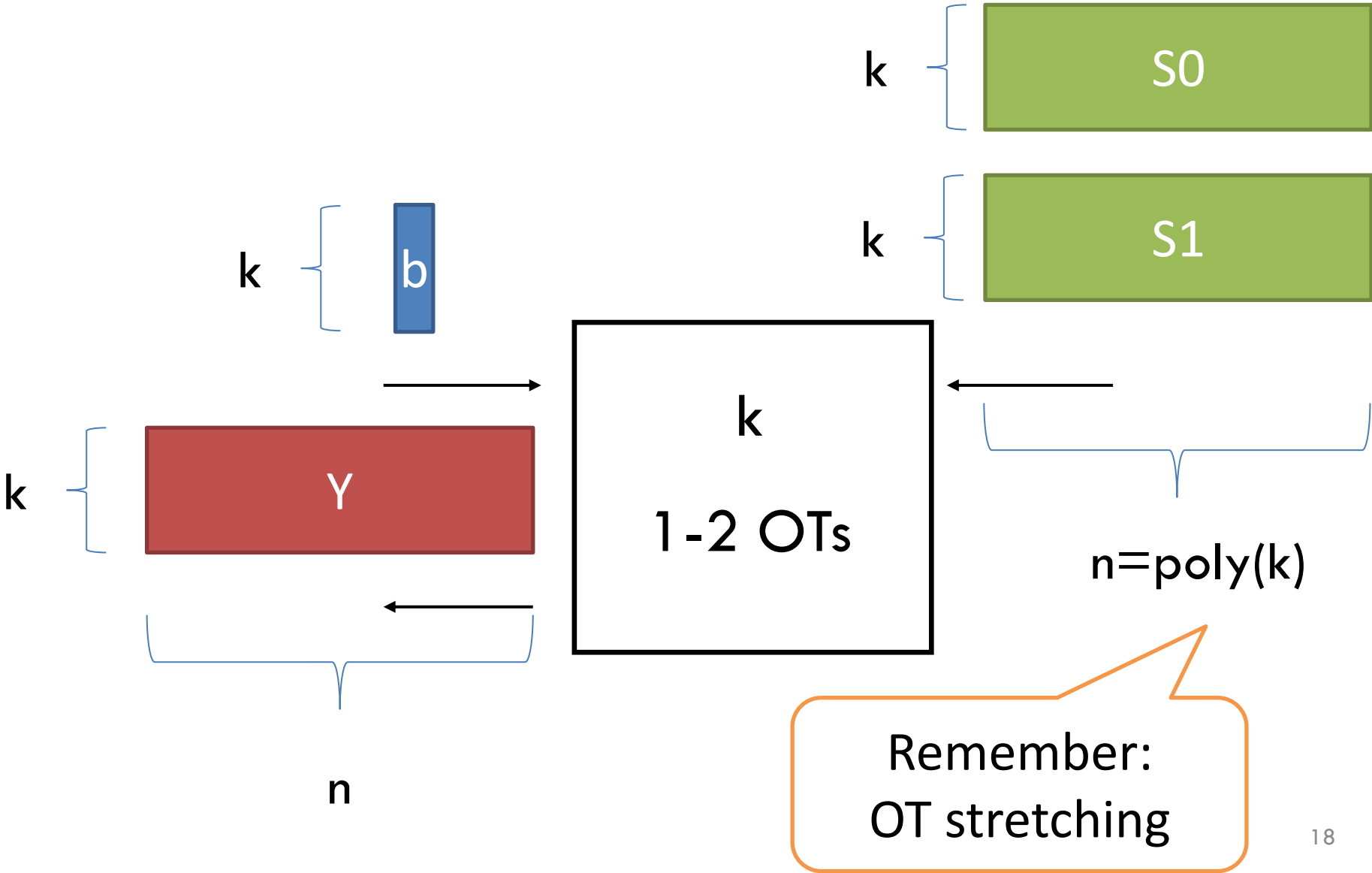
No communication!

OT Extension (passive security)

OT Extension

- OT provably requires public-key primitives.
- OT extension is the OT analogue of hybrid encryption
 - $(RSA(pk,k), AES(k,m))$
- **Start from k “real” OTs \rightarrow Extend them to $\text{poly}(k)$ OTs using only few symmetric primitives (PRG/hash function) per generated OT**

OT Extension, Pictorially

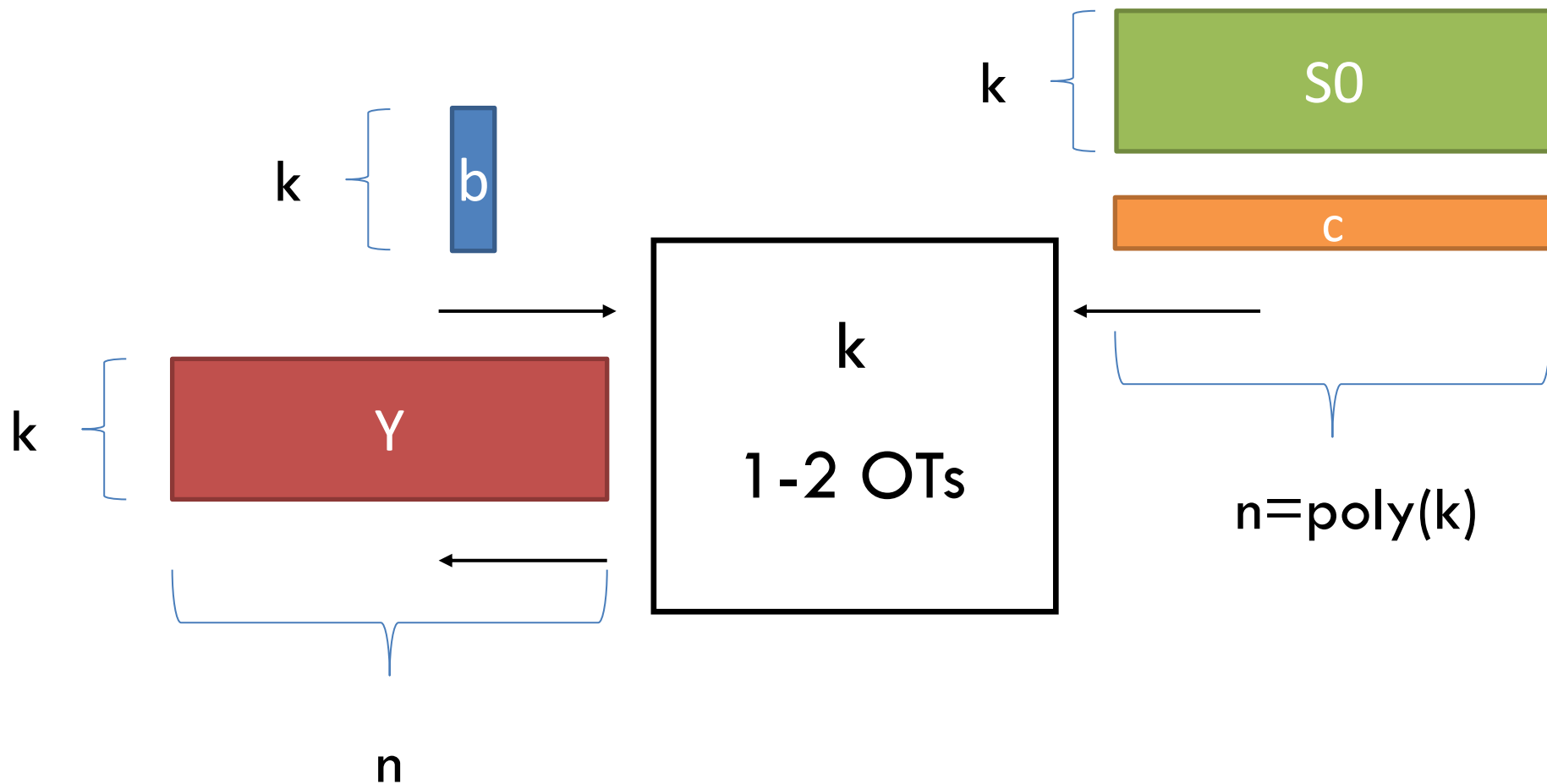


Condition for OT extension



Problem for active security!

OT Extension, Pictorially



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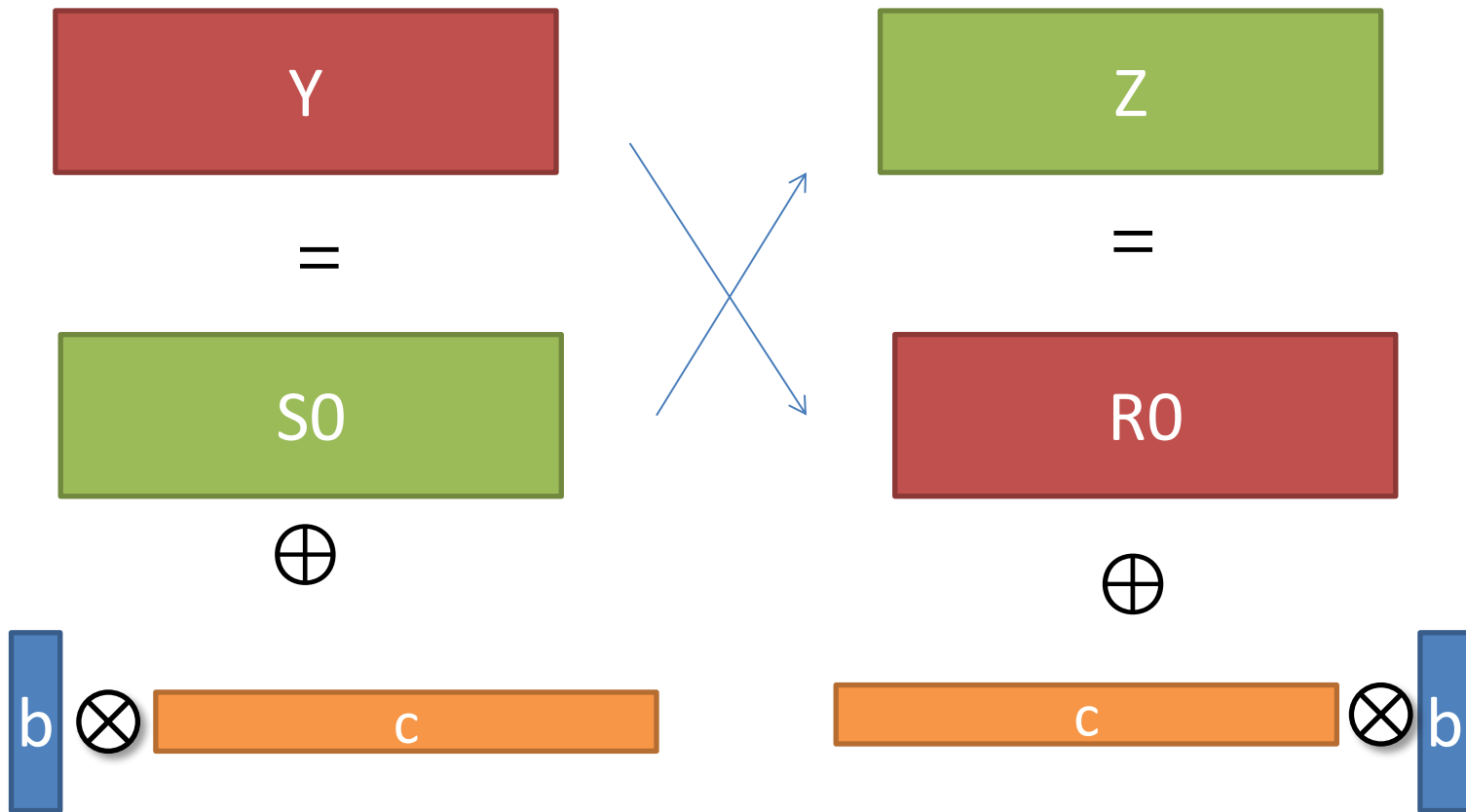
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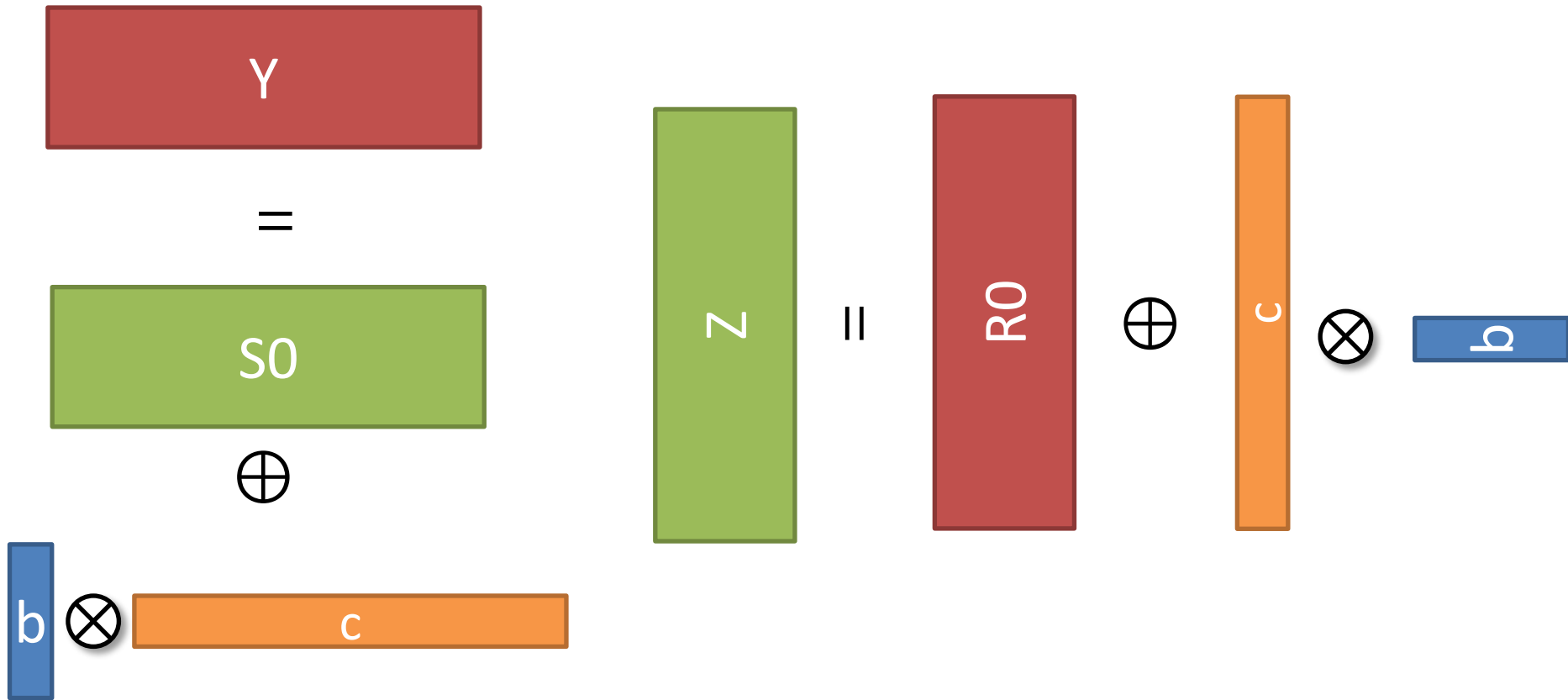
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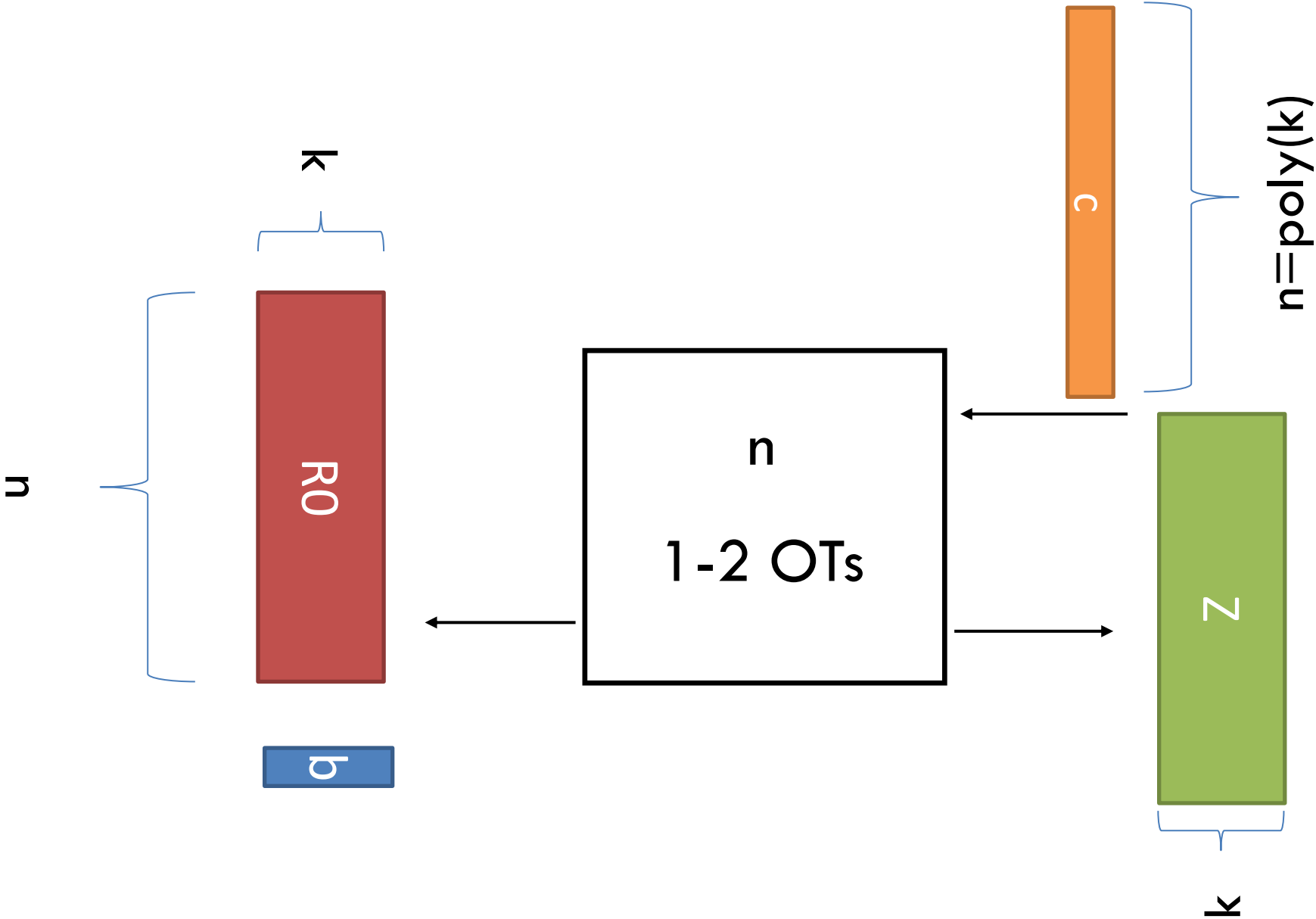
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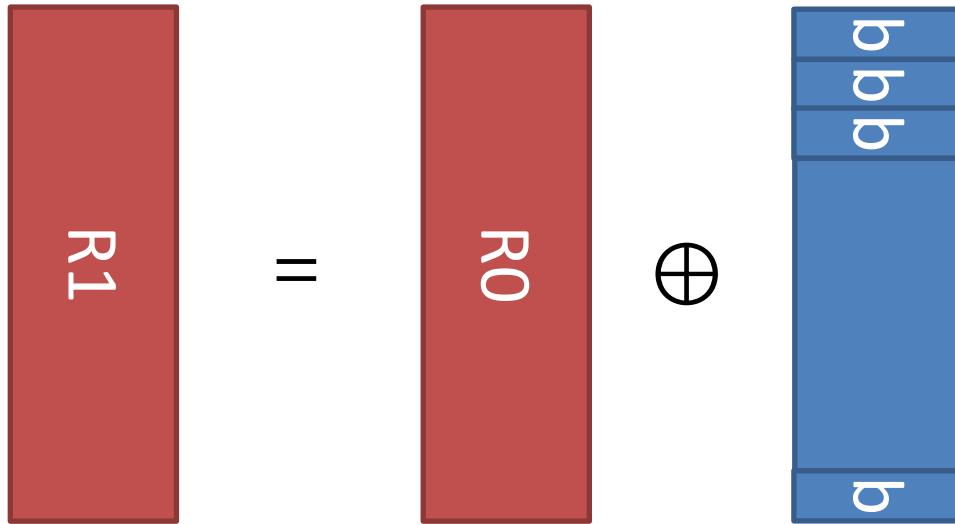
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OT Extension, Pictorially



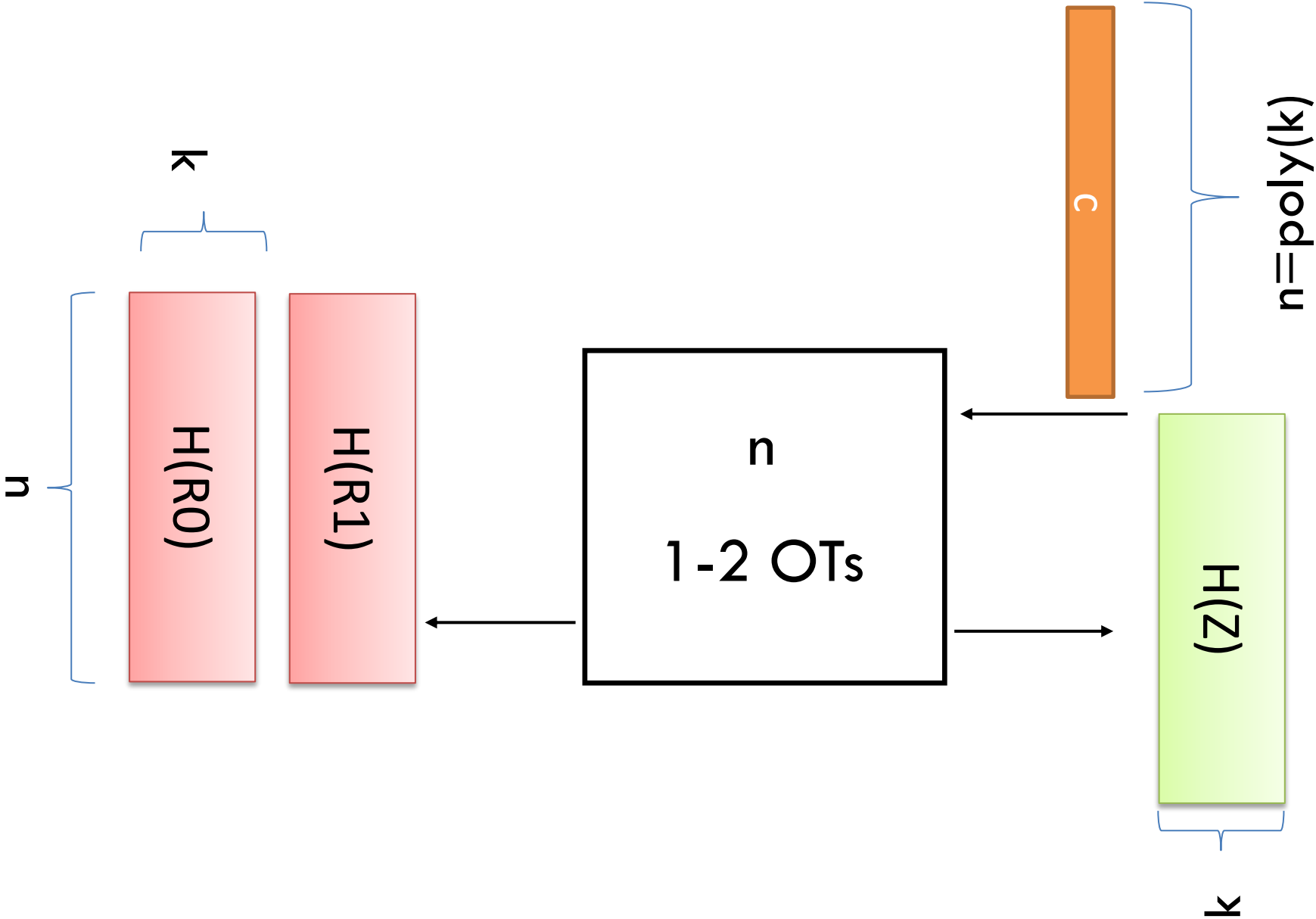
Defining R1



Finishing UP

- R_0, R_1 are not really random (strongly correlated)
- **Compute** (for each of the n rows)
 - $T_0 = H(R_0), T_1 = H(R_1)$
- Using a **correlation robust hash function** H s.t.
 - $\{X_0, \dots, X_n, H(X_0 \oplus R), \dots, H(X_n \oplus R)\}$
 - $\{X_0, \dots, X_n, Y_0, \dots, Y_n\}$ // (X_i 's, Y_i 's random)
- Are computationally **indistinguishable**

OT Extension, Pictorially



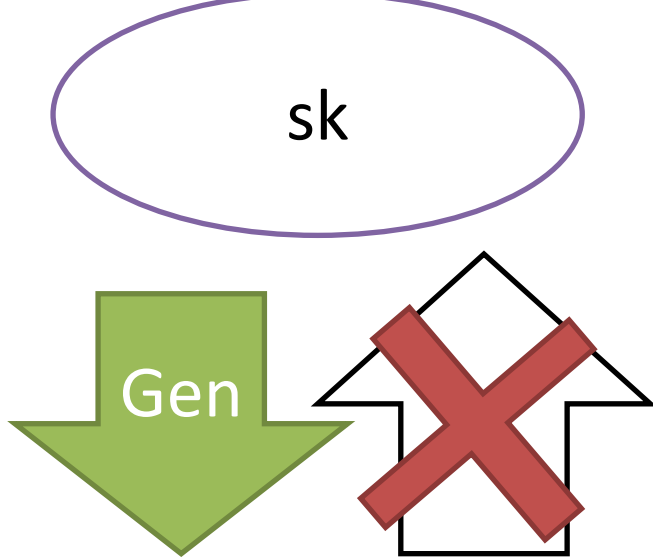
Recap

1. Start with k **1-2 OT** for strings of length k
 2. **Stretch them** to length $n = \text{poly}(k)$ using a PRG
 3. Set each pair of messages s_0^i, s_1^i s.t., $s_0^i \oplus s_1^i = c$
 4. **Turn your head** (s/r swap roles)
 5. The bits of c are the new **choice bits**
 6. The new messages are of the form $r_0^j, r_1^j = r_0^j \oplus b$
 7. Break the correlation: $t_0^j = H(r_0^j), t_1^j = H(r_1^j)$
- **Not secure against active adversaries**

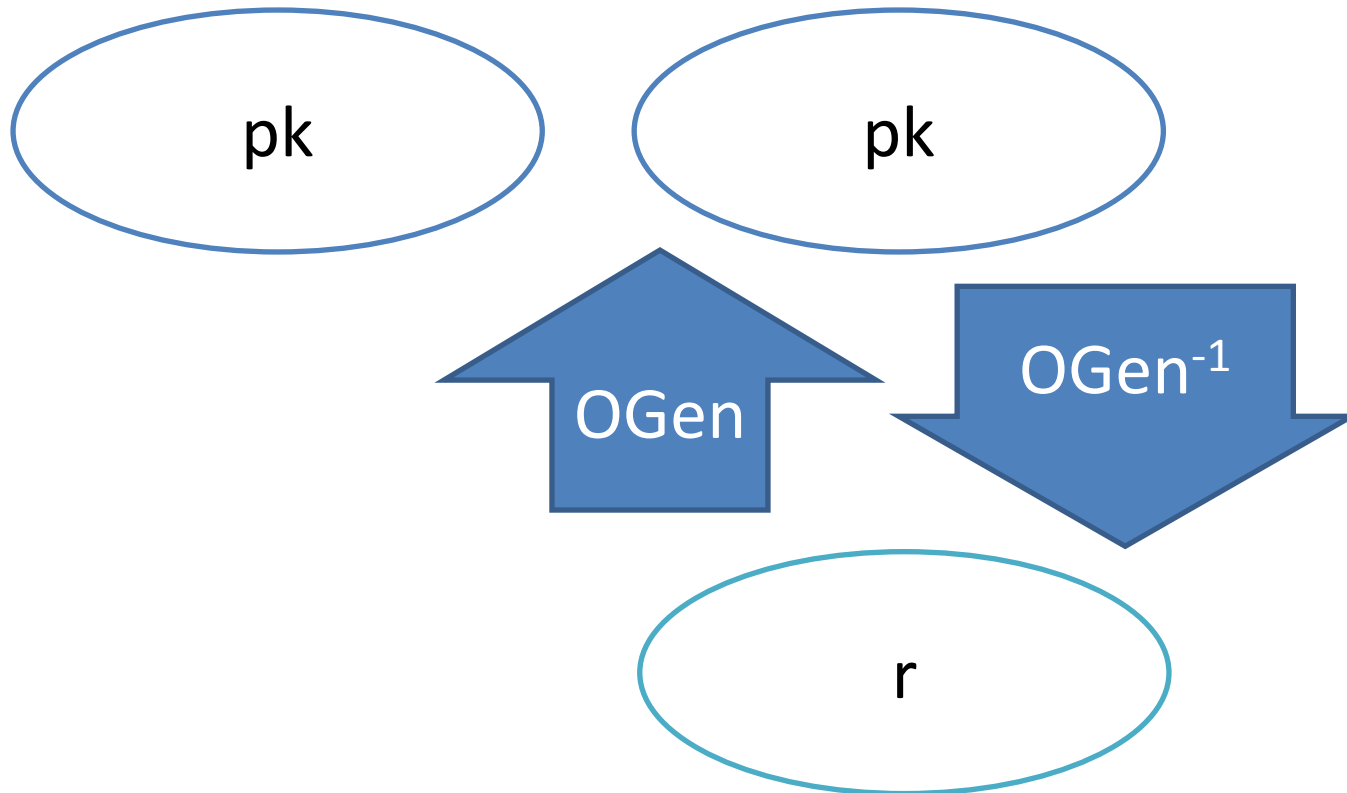
How to construct OT

OT from PKE+

- Take a PKE ($\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec}$)
 - $\text{Gen} \rightarrow (\text{pk}, \text{sk})$
 - $\text{Enc}(\text{pk}, m) \rightarrow C$
 - $\text{Dec}(\text{sk}, C) \rightarrow m$
 - **“IND-CPA Security”**
 $(\text{pk}, \text{Enc}(\text{pk}, m)) \sim (\text{pk}, \text{Enc}(\text{pk}, r))$
- Augmented with $(\text{OGen}, \text{OGen}^{-1})$
 - $\text{OGen}(r) \rightarrow \text{pk}$
 - $\text{OGen}(\text{pk}) \rightarrow r$
 - $\text{pk}^{\text{OGen}} \sim \text{pk}^{\text{Gen}}$



The idea: it should be possible to generate “good looking” public keys without learning the secret key



OT from PKE+

- **Receiver** (with choice bit b)
 - Compute $pk_b, sk \leftarrow \text{Gen}$
 - Compute $pk_{1-b} \leftarrow \text{Ogen}$
 - Send pk_0, pk_1
- **Sender** (with messages m_0, m_1)
 - Encrypt $C_0 = E(pk_0, m_0), C_1 = E(pk_1, m_1)$
- **Receiver**
 - $m_b = \text{Dec}(sk, C_b)$
- **What can go wrong?**

Discrete Log (additive notation)

- $\langle G \rangle$ group of order p (prime) generated by G
 - **DL**: given H it is hard to compute x s.t. $xG=H$
 - **CDH**: given (G, aG, bG) it is hard to compute abG
 - **DDH** given (G, aG, bG, cG) it is hard to decide if $c=ab$
- ElGamal Encryption
 - **Gen** $\rightarrow (G, H=xG)$
 - **Enc** $(pk, m) \rightarrow (rG, rH + m)$
 - **Dec** $(sk, C, D) \rightarrow D - xC$
- *In “many” groups it is possible to sample uniform H (without learning DL)*

***Exercise: we do not know how to
sample RSA public keys obliviously.
But ciphertexts can.
Can you build an OT protocol from
RSA?***



Naor Pinkas OT

- Sender
 - Choose random F
- Receiver (with choice bit b)
 - Pick $H_b = xG$
 - $H_{1-b} = F - H_b$
 - Send H_0
- Sender (with messages m_0, m_1)
 - Compute $H_1 = F - H_0$
 - Encrypt $\text{Enc}(H_0, m_0), \text{Enc}(H_1, m_1)$

//idea: hard to compute DL of both H_0, H_1
(but cannot simulate)