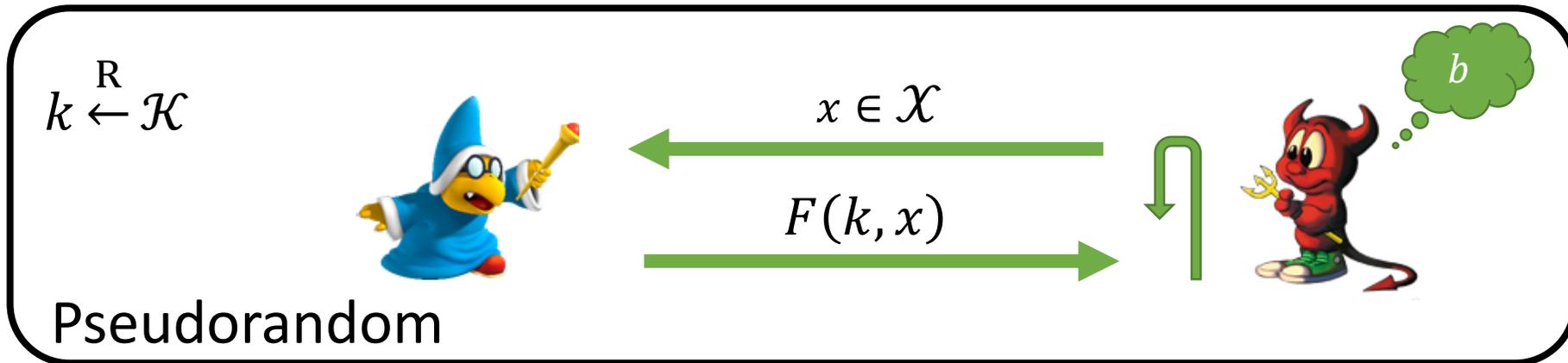


# Constrained Keys for Invertible Pseudorandom Functions

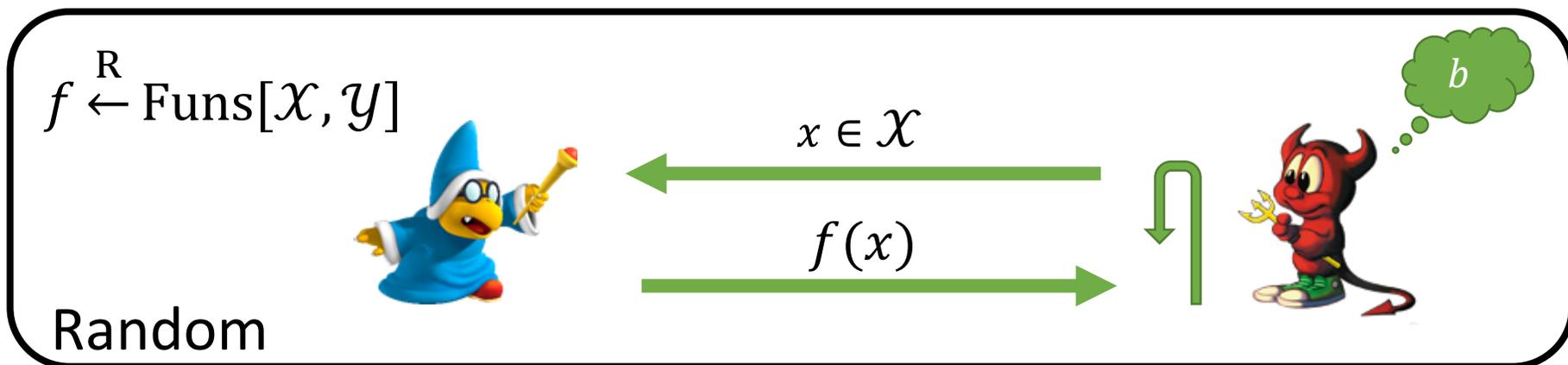
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# Pseudorandom Functions (PRFs) [GGM84]



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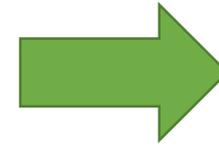
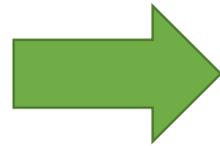
$$F: \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$$

# Constrained PRFs [BW13, BGI13, KPTZ13]

Constrained PRF: PRF with additional “constrain” functionality



PRF key



Constrained key

$$F: \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$$

Can be used to evaluate at all points  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  where  $C(x) = 1$

# Constrained PRFs [BW13, BGI13, KPTZ13]



**Correctness**: constrained evaluation at  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  where  $C(x) = 1$  yields PRF value at  $x$

**Security**: PRF value at points  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  where  $C(x) = 0$  are indistinguishable from random *given* the constrained key

# Constrained PRFs [BW13, BGI13, KPTZ13]



Many applications:

- Punctured programming paradigm [SW14]
- Identity-based key exchange, broadcast encryption [BW13]

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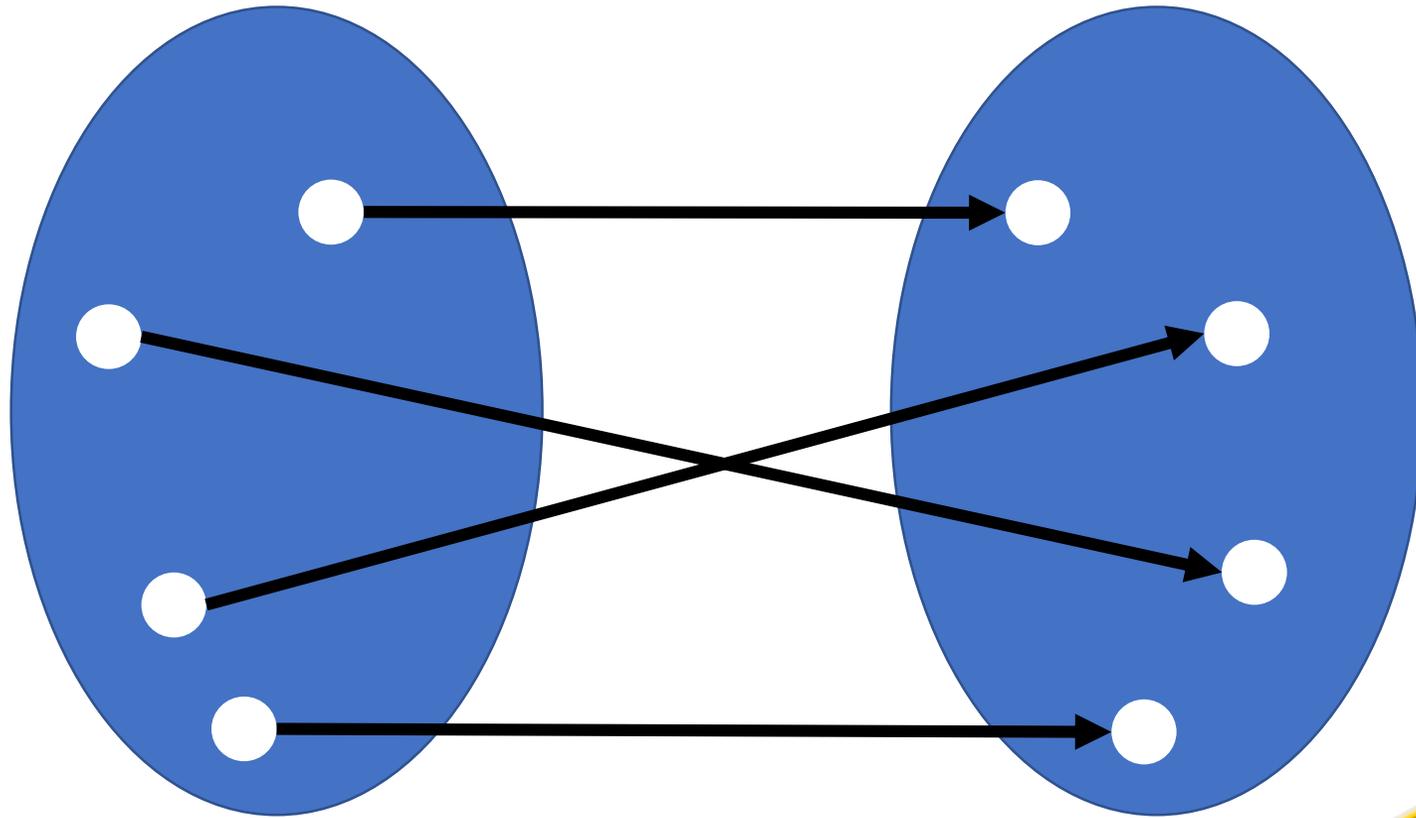
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*Can we constrain other cryptographic primitives,  
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# Our Results

- Constrained PRPs for many natural classes of constraints *do not exist*
- However, the relaxed notion of a constrained *invertible pseudorandom function* (IPF) do exist

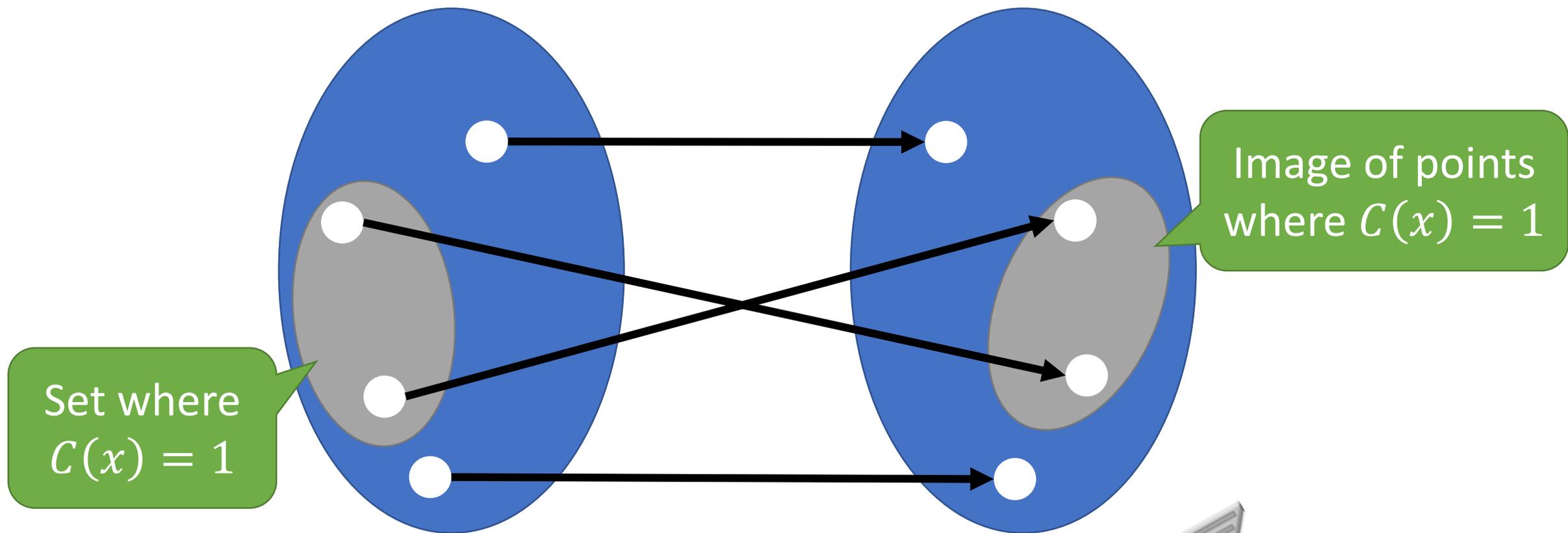
# Pseudorandom Permutations (PRPs)



$F(k, \cdot)$  implements a permutation over  $\mathcal{X}$

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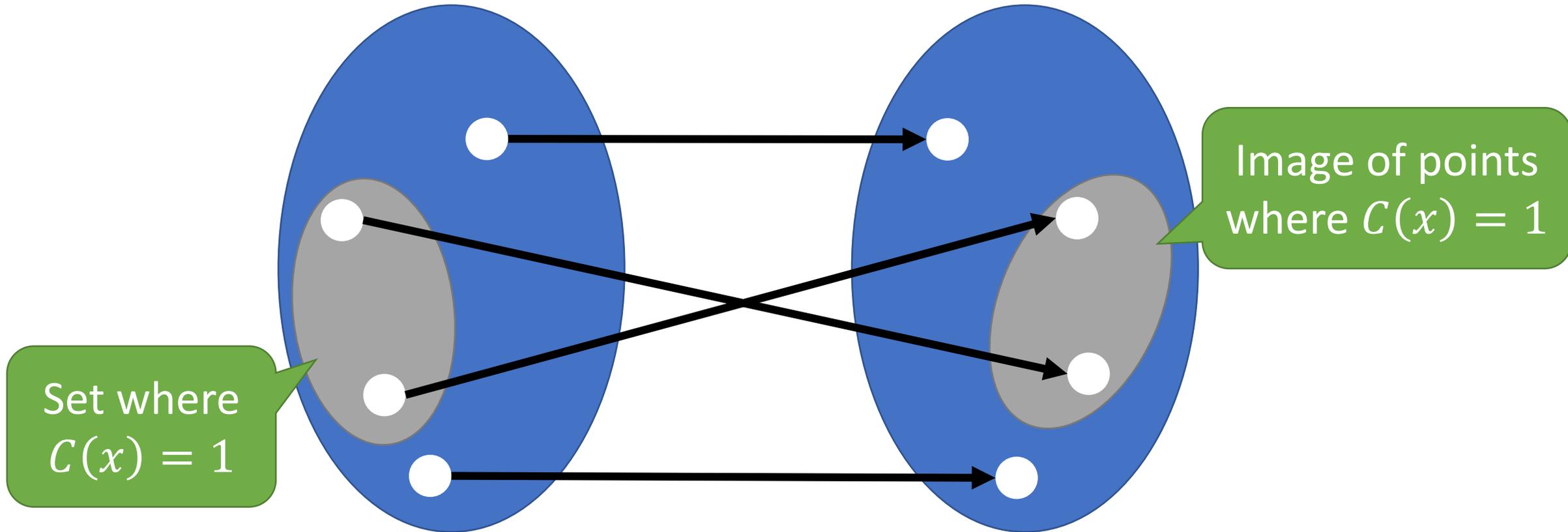
# Constrained PRPs



Constrained key enables forward and backward evaluation

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# Constrained PRPs



## Correctness:

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# Constrained PRP Security

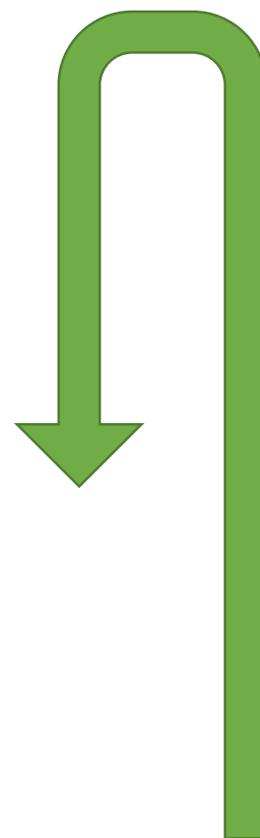
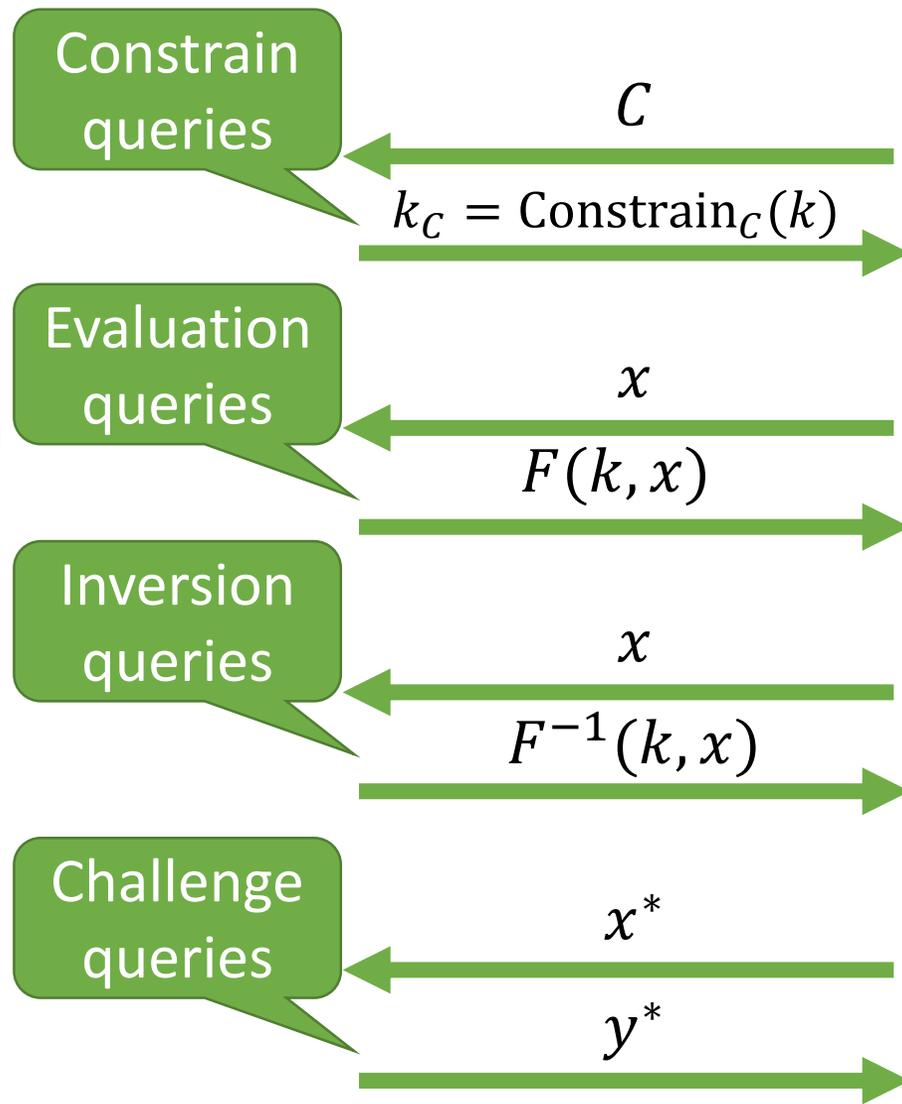
$$k \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}$$

$$f \stackrel{R}{\leftarrow} \text{Perm}[\mathcal{X}]$$



Challenger

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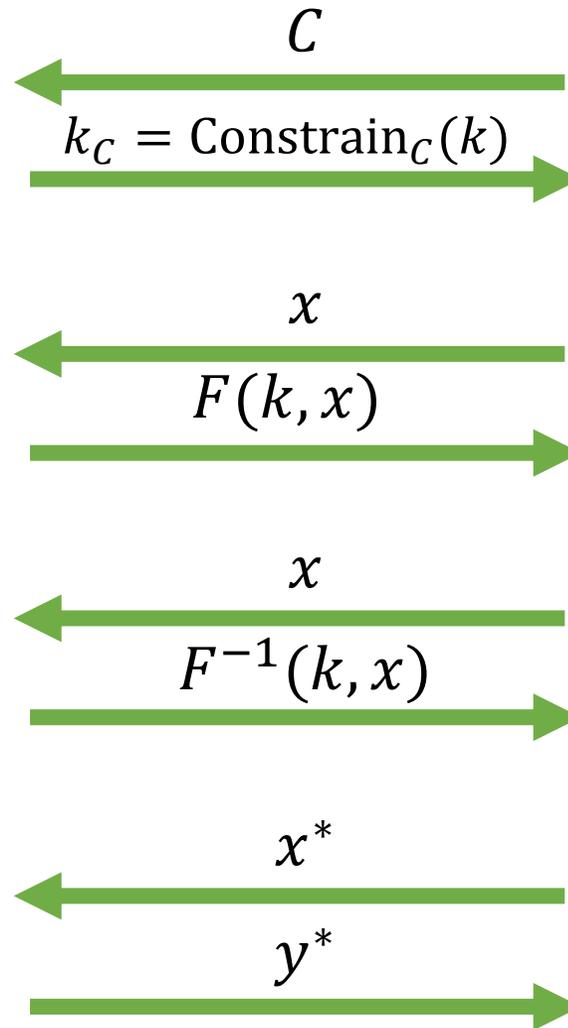
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Random:  $y^* = f(x^*)$   
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# Constrained PRP Security

Admissibility conditions:

- $C(x^*) = 0$
- No evaluation queries on  $x^*$
- No inversion queries on  $y^*$



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# Constrained PRP Lower Bound

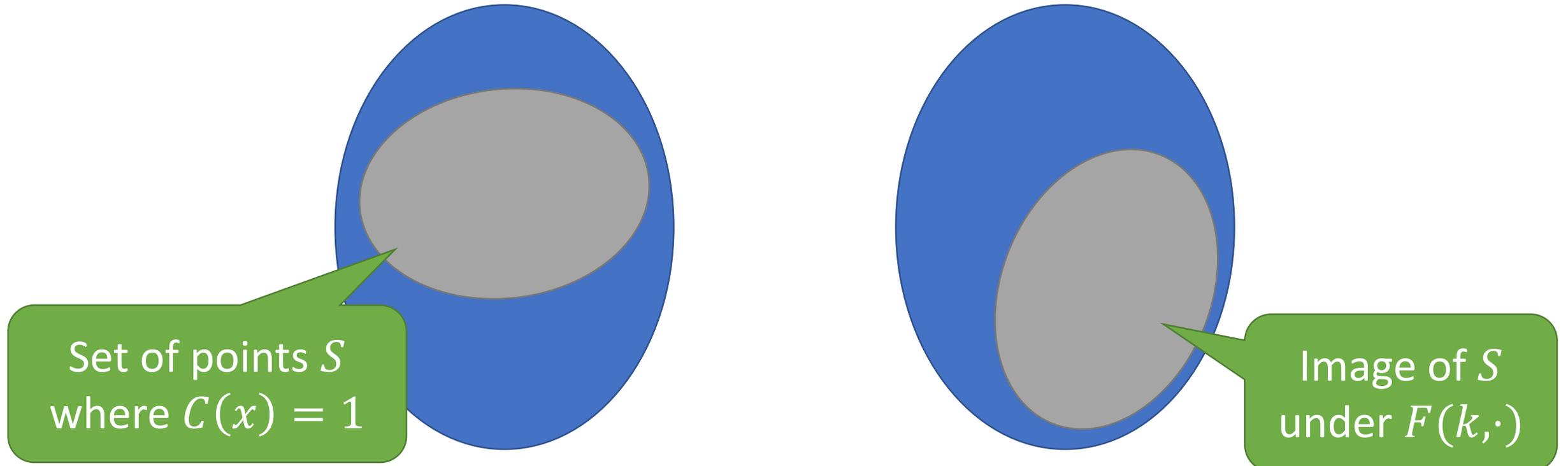
**Warm-up:** constrained PRPs on polynomial-size domains cannot satisfy constrained security

Concretely: evaluate PRP at  $x$  and issue challenge query for  $x^* \neq x$

- Pseudorandom case:  $F(k, x^*) \neq F(k, x)$
- Random case:  $f(x^*) = F(k, x)$  with probability  $1/|\mathcal{X}|$

# Constrained PRP Lower Bound

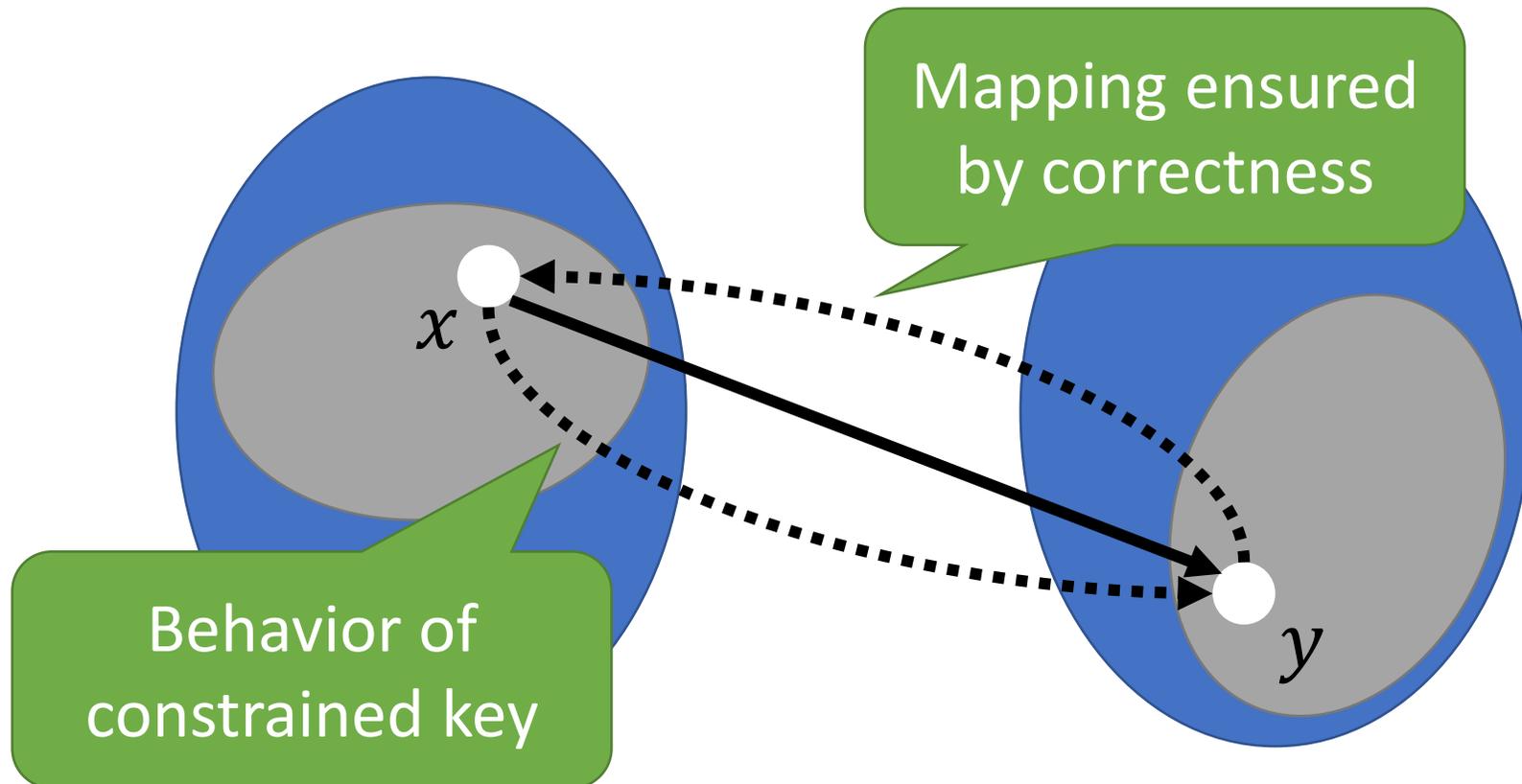
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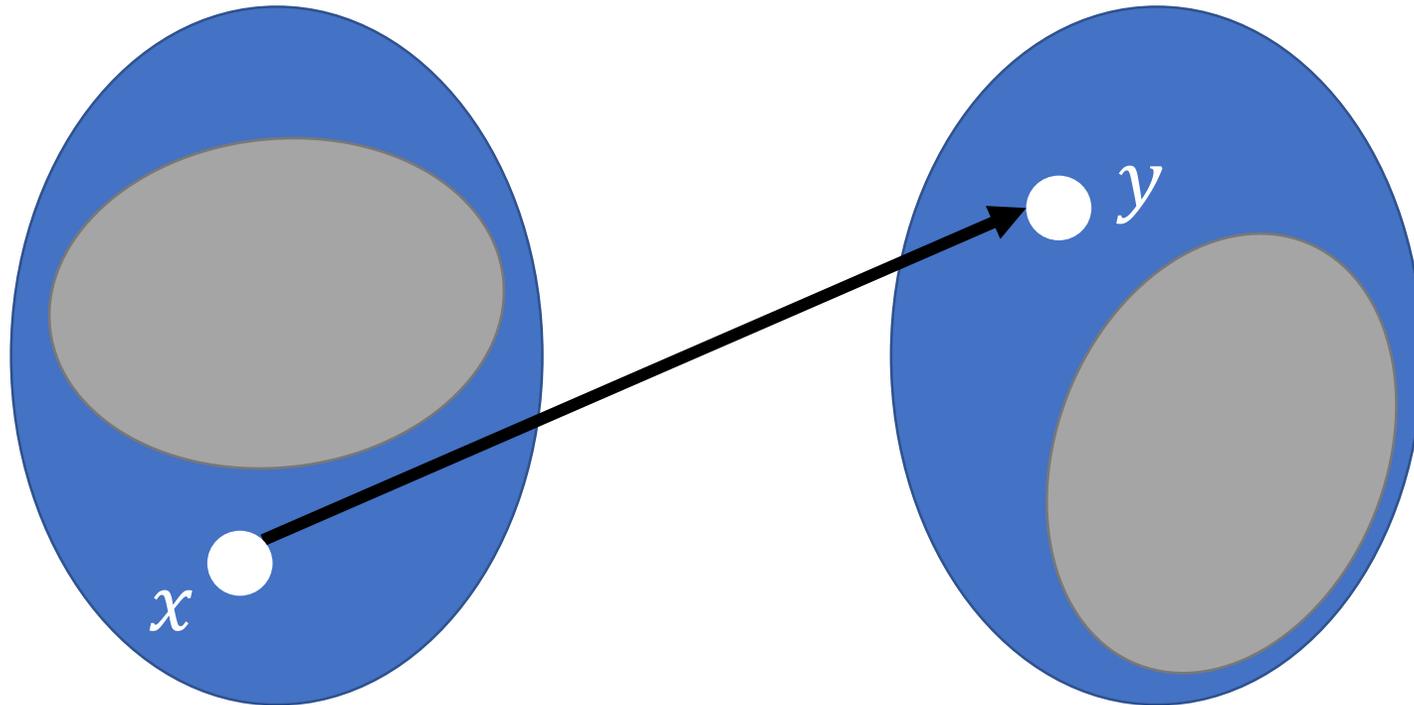
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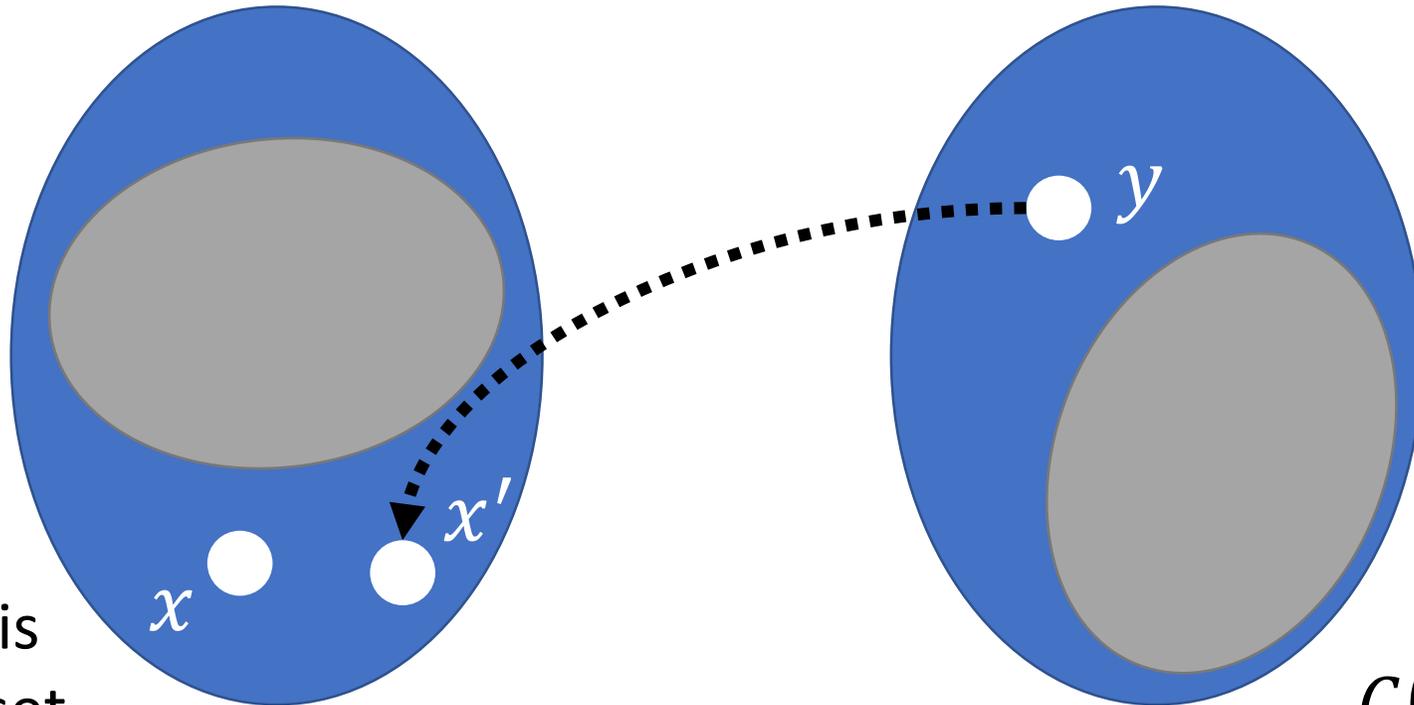
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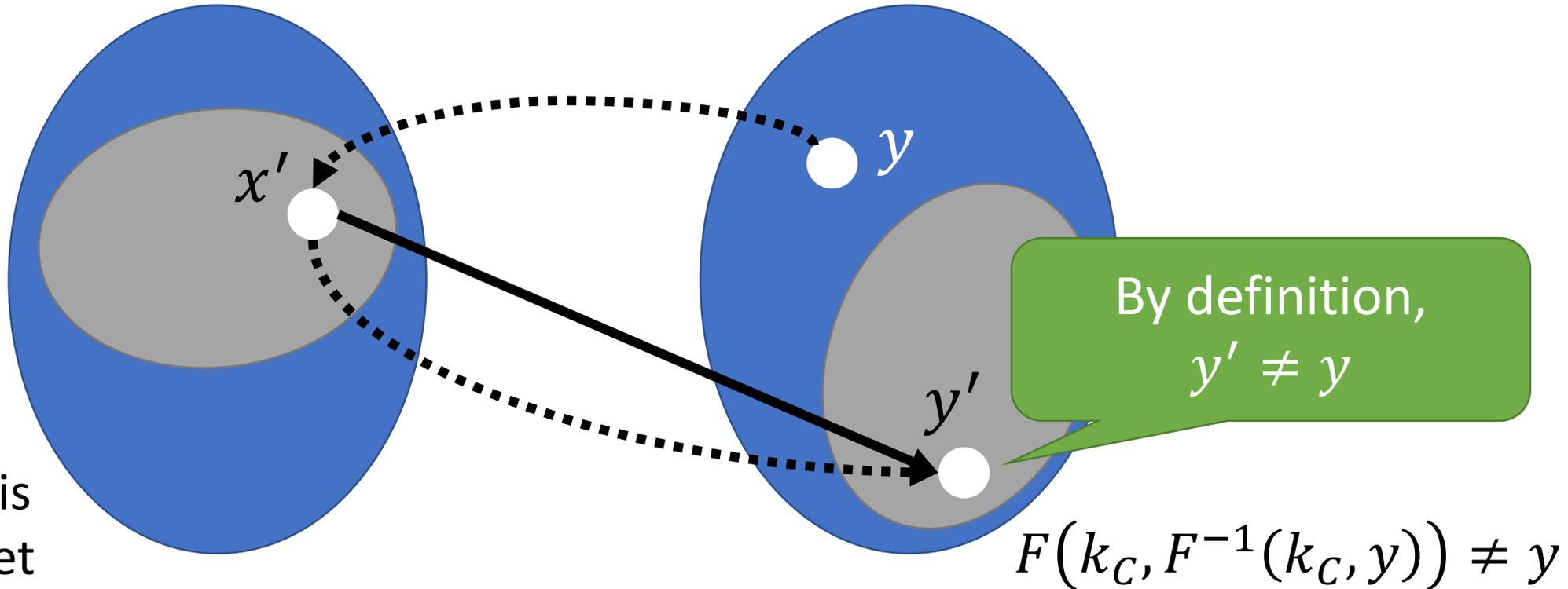
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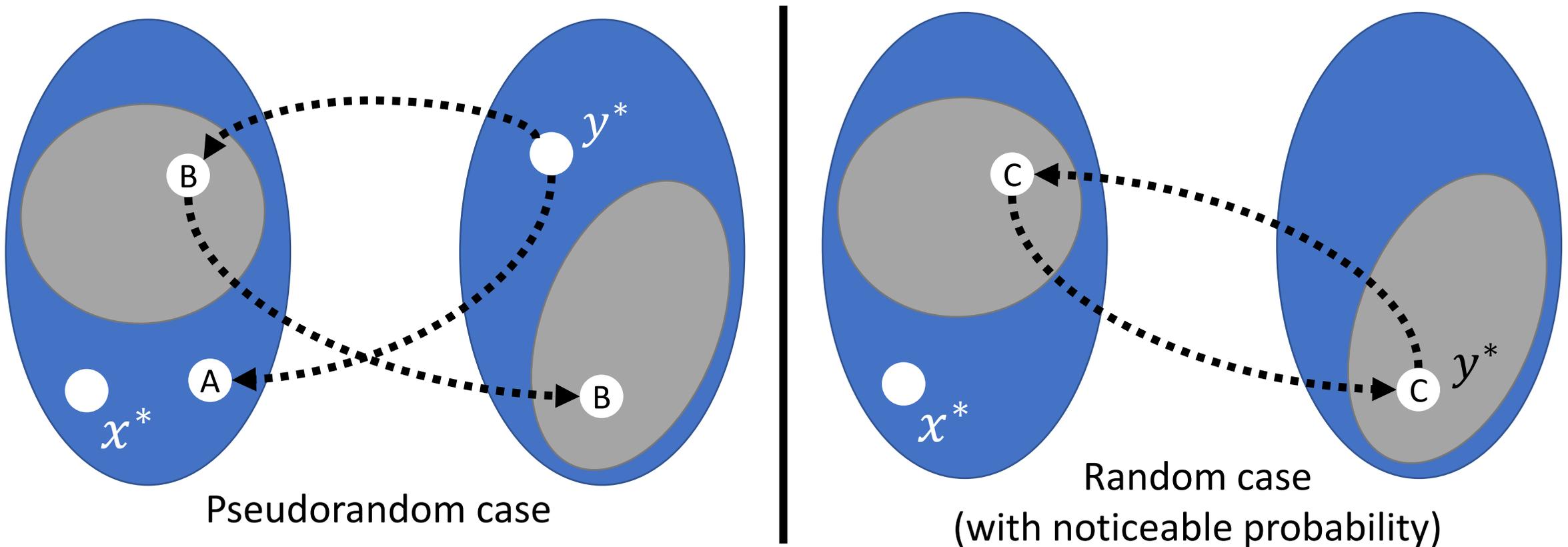
If  $y$  is not the image of an allowed point, then either

$$C(F^{-1}(k_C, y)) = 0 \text{ or } F(k_C, F^{-1}(k_C, y)) \neq y$$



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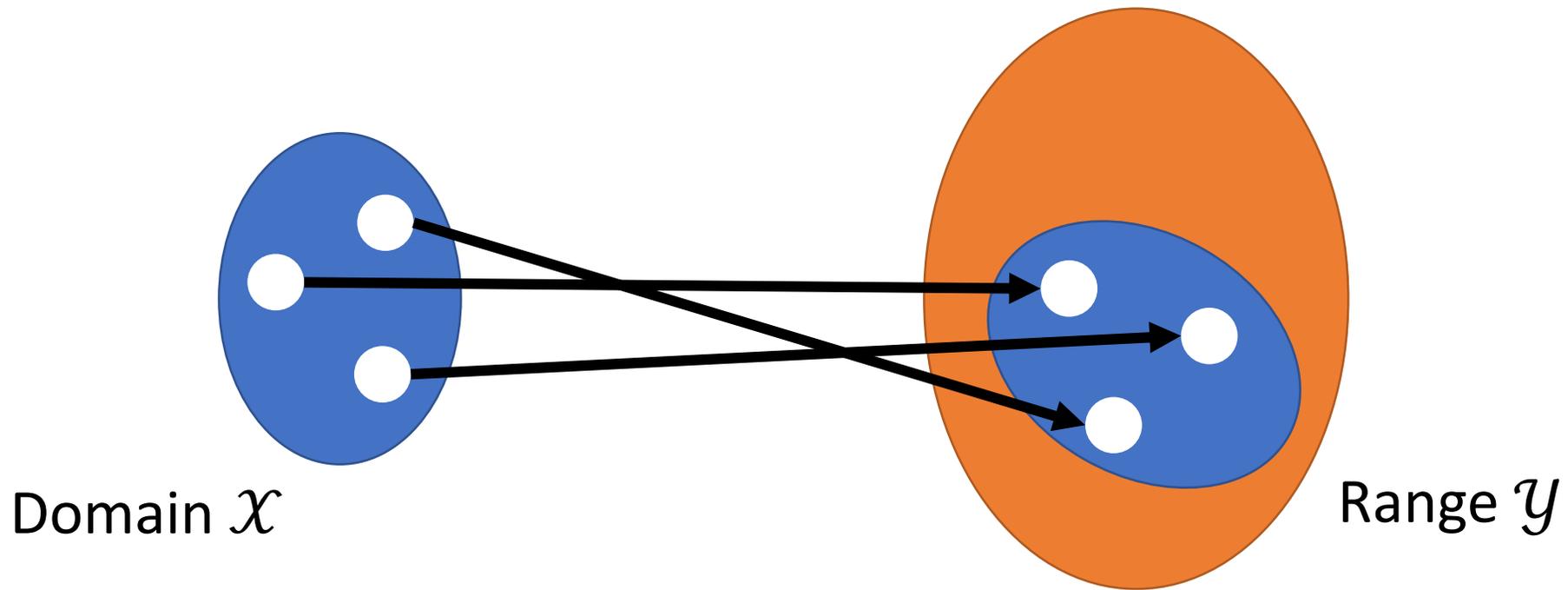
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Puncturable PRPs  
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**Open Question:** Do prefix-constrained PRPs (where prefix is  $\omega(\log \lambda)$  bits) exist?

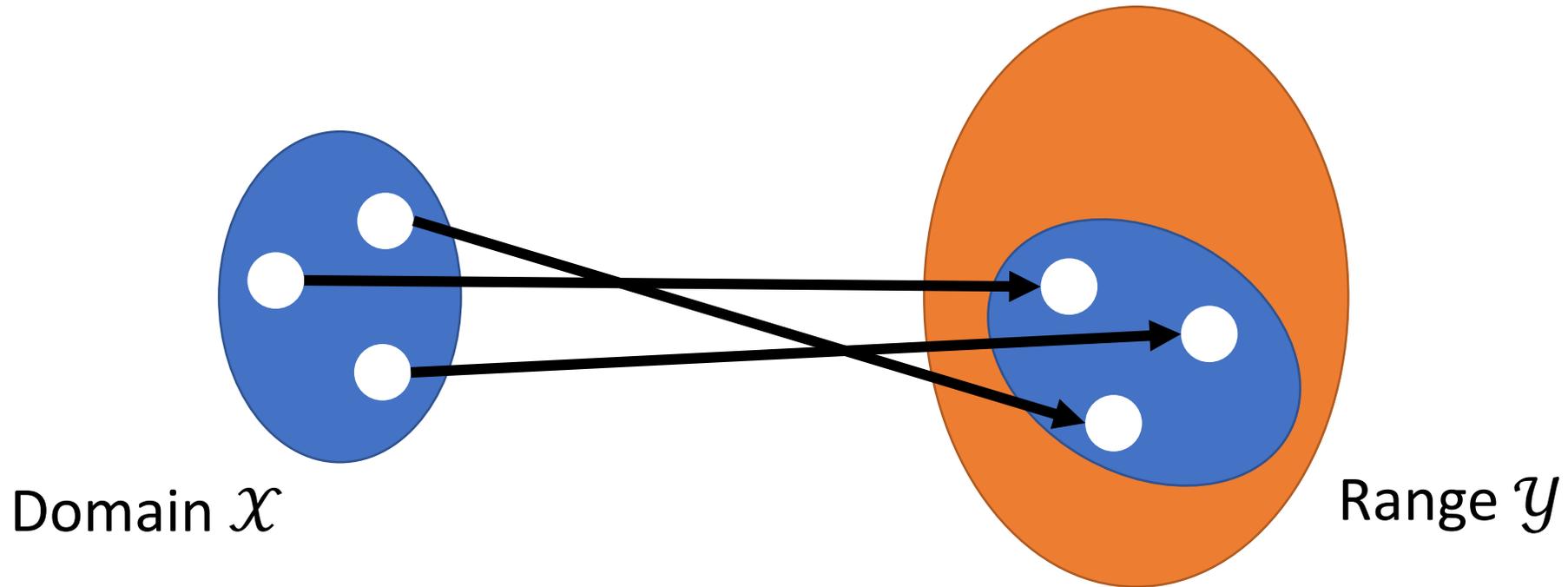
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**Relaxation:** Allow range to be *much larger* than the domain

# Invertible Pseudorandom Functions (IPFs)



An IPF  $F: \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  satisfies the following properties:

- $F(k, \cdot)$  is injective for all  $k \in \mathcal{K}$
- There exists an efficiently computable inverse  $F^{-1}: \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X} \cup \{\perp\}$
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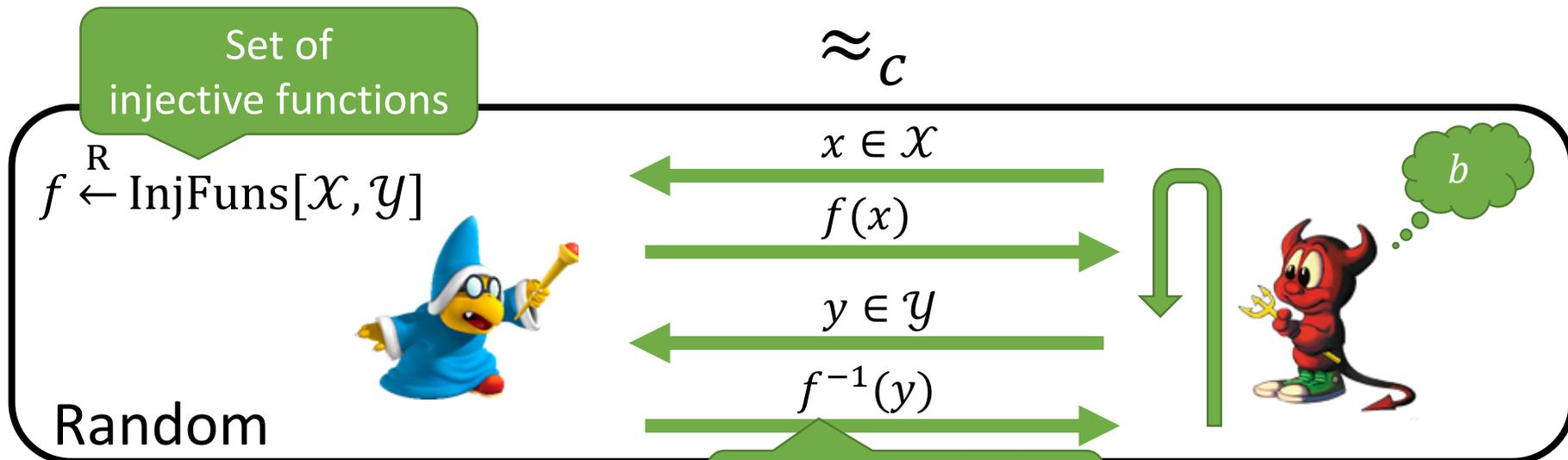
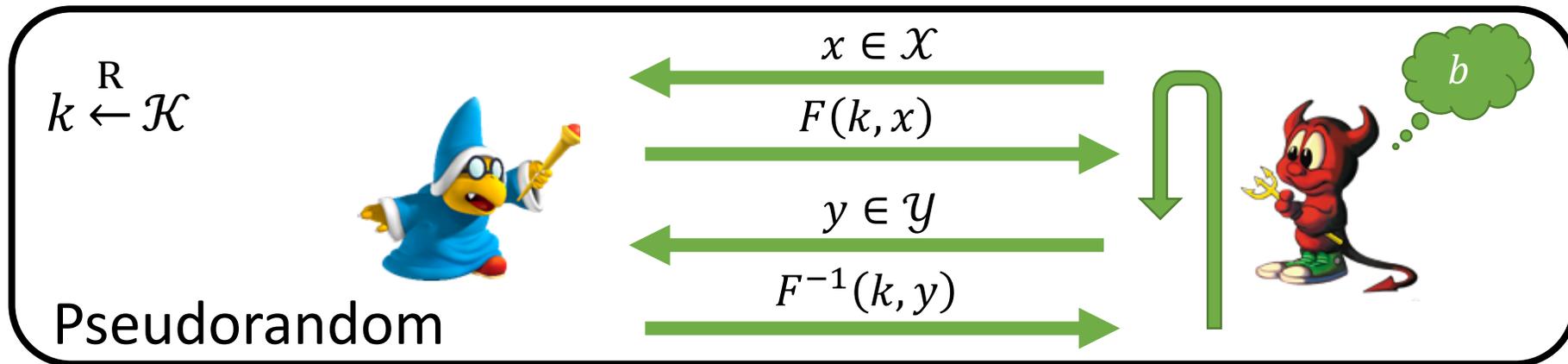
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IPFs are closely related to the notion of deterministic authenticated encryption (DAE) [RS06].  
IPFs can be used to build DAE, so our constrained IPF constructions imply constrained DAE.

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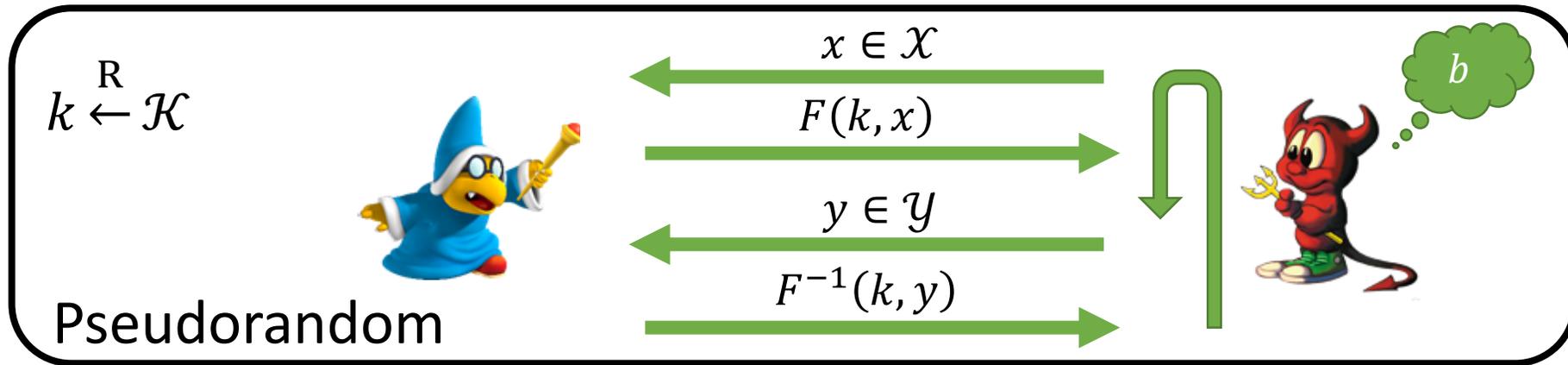
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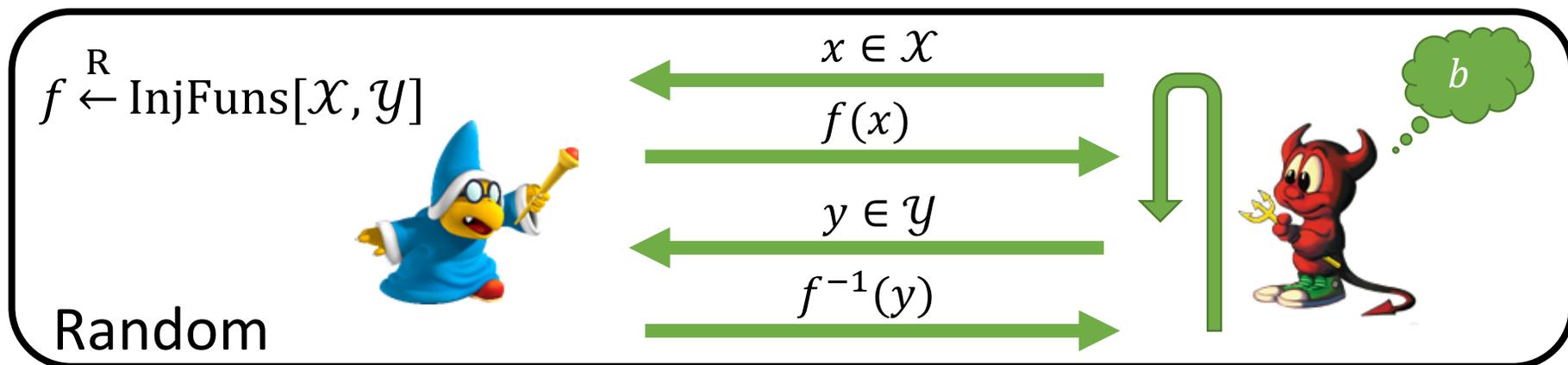
Outputs  $\perp$  if  $y$  has no inverse under  $f$

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# Invertible Pseudorandom Functions (IPFs)



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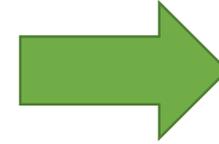
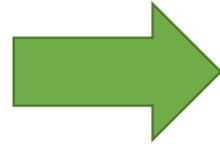
When  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$ , security definition is equivalent to that for a strong PRP

# Constrained IPFs

Direct generalization of constrained PRFs



IPF key

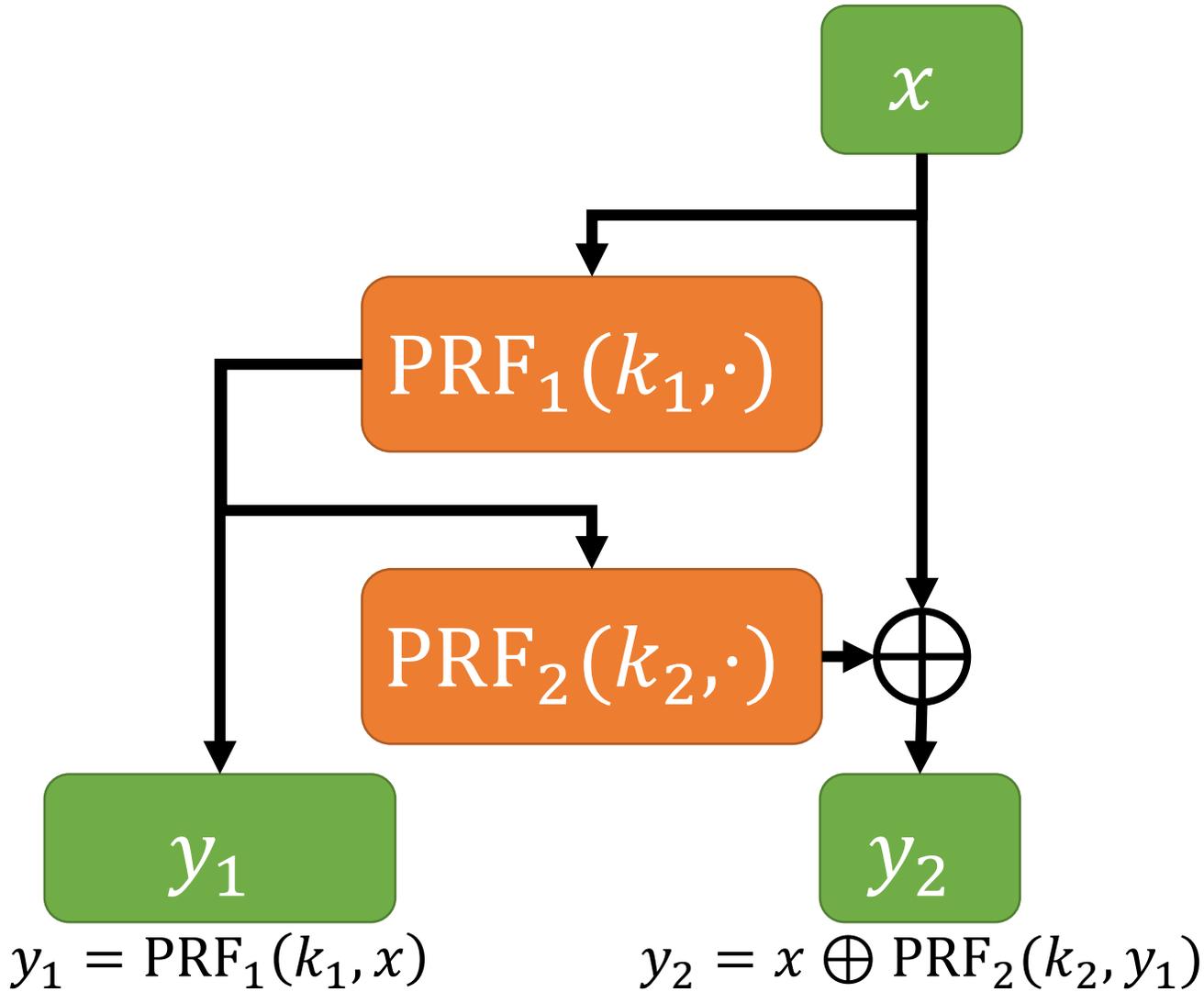


Constrained key

Can be used to evaluate at all points  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  where  $C(x) = 1$  and invert at all points  $y$  whenever  $y = F(k, x)$  for some  $x$  where  $C(x) = 1$

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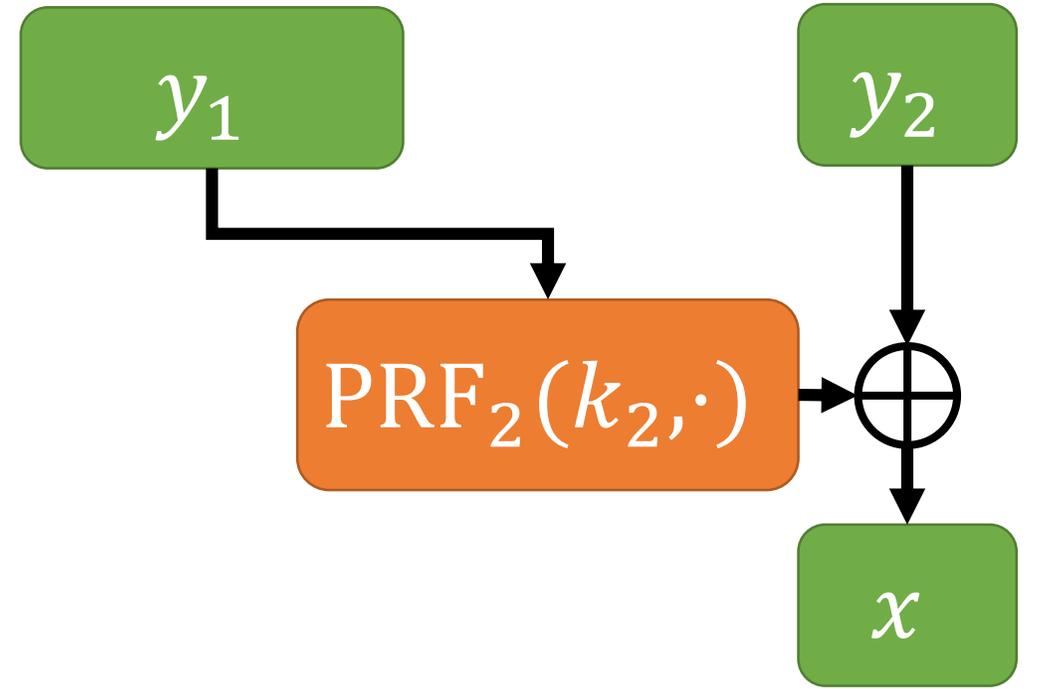
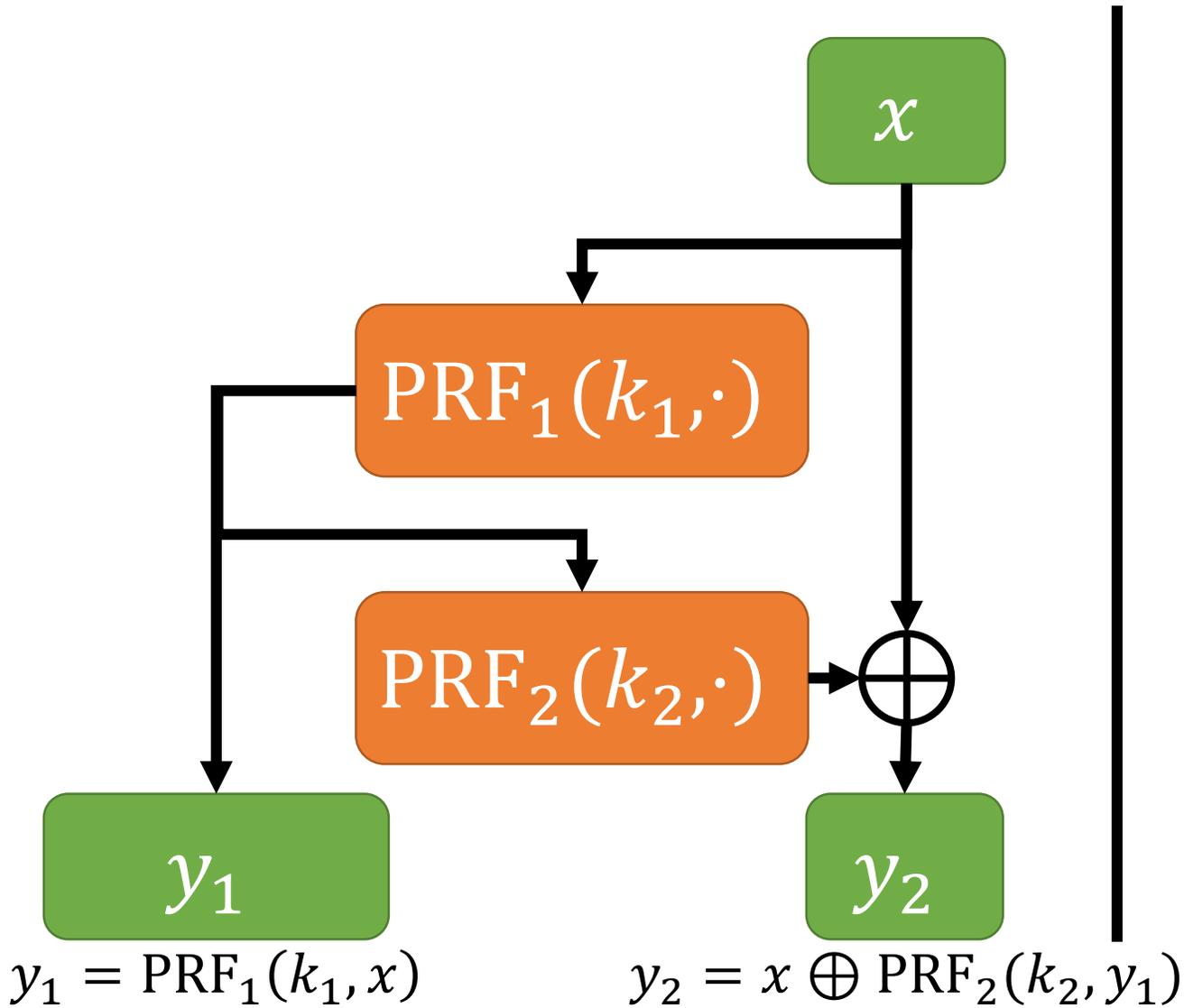
# A Puncturable IPF



**Starting point:** DAE construction called synthetic IV (SIV) [RS06]

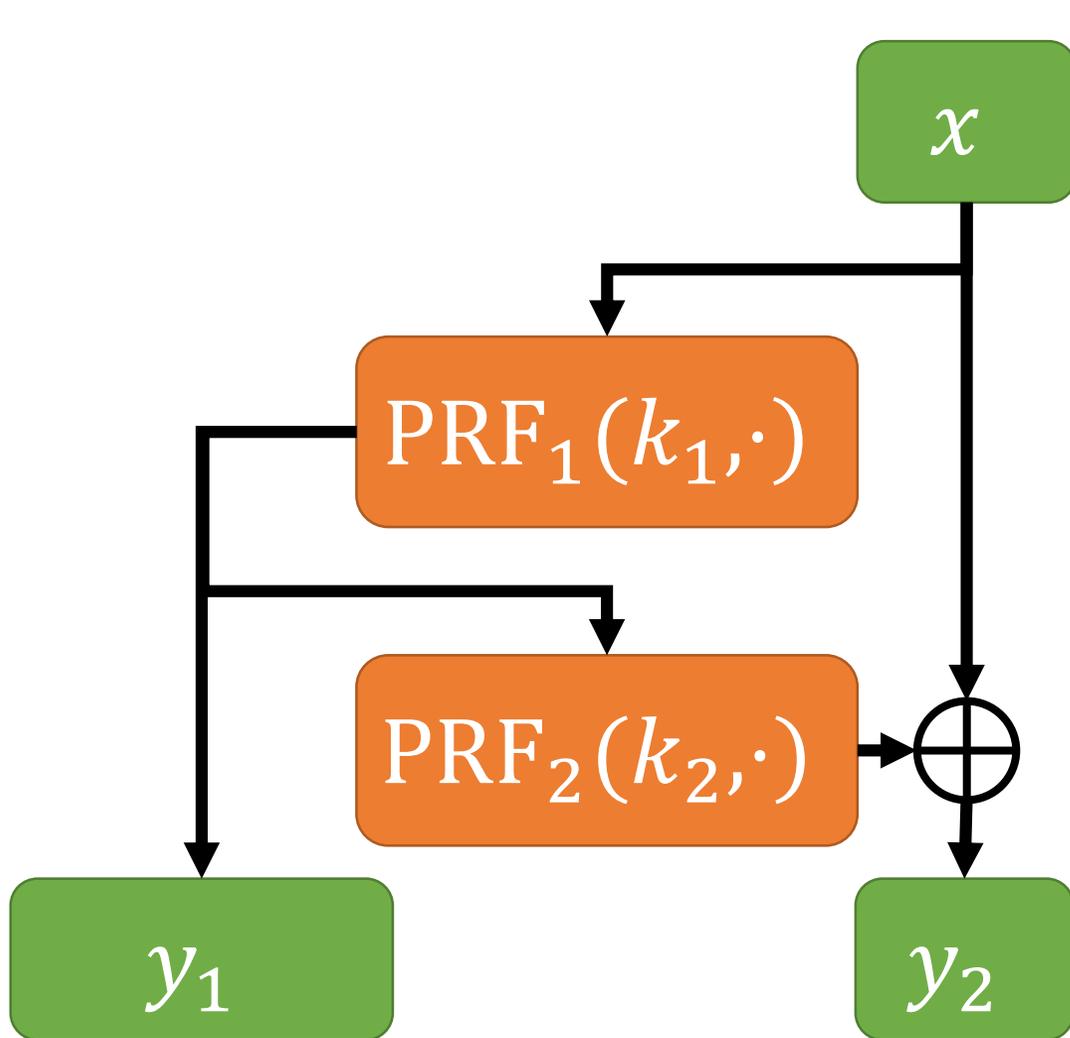
Can also be viewed as an unbalanced Feistel network (with one block set to all 0s)

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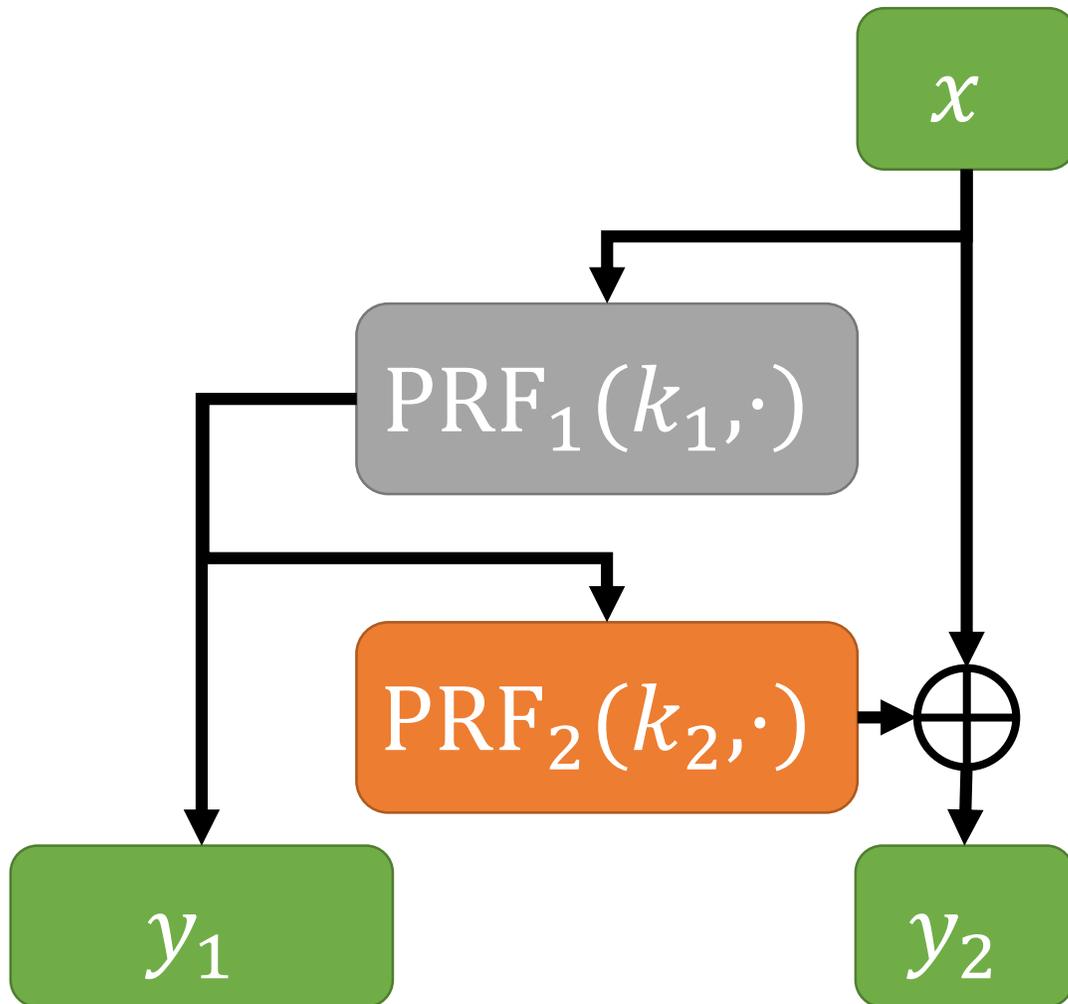
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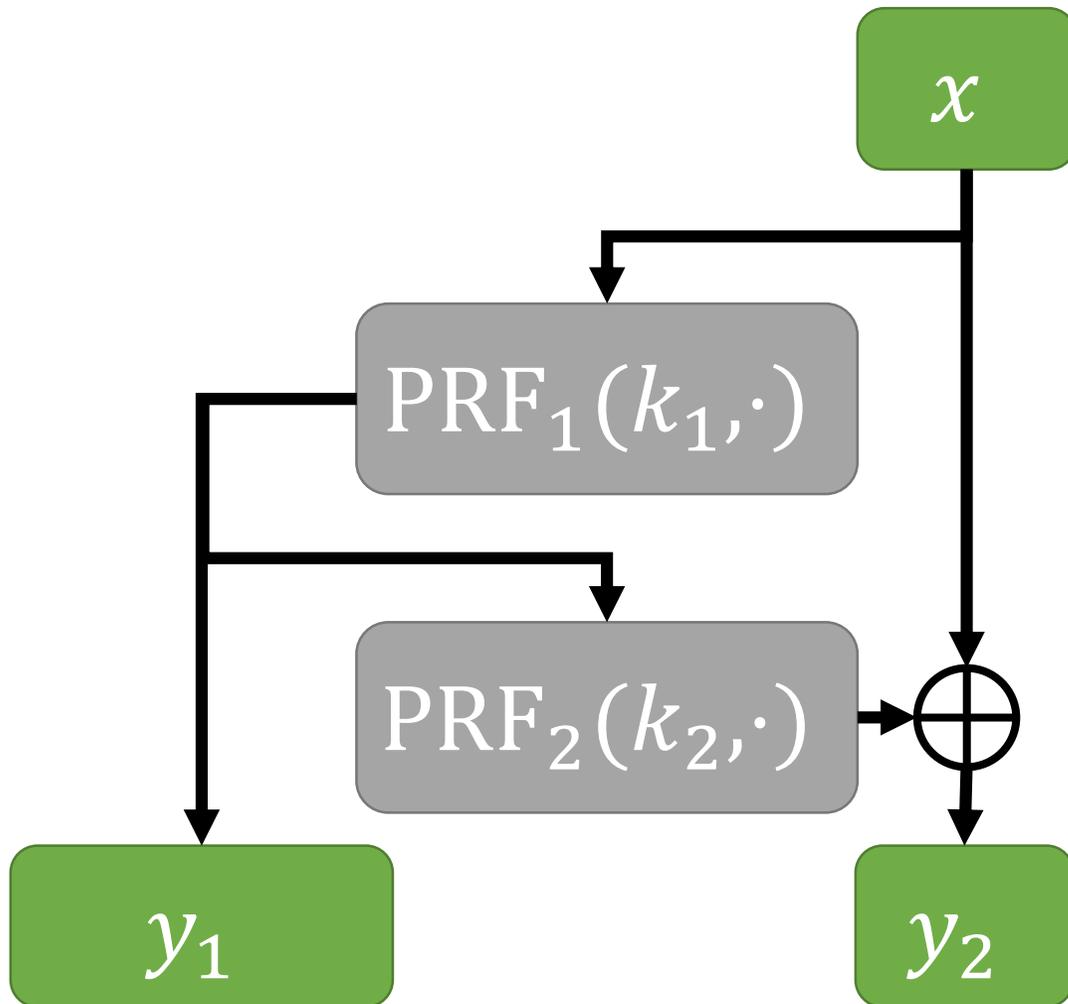


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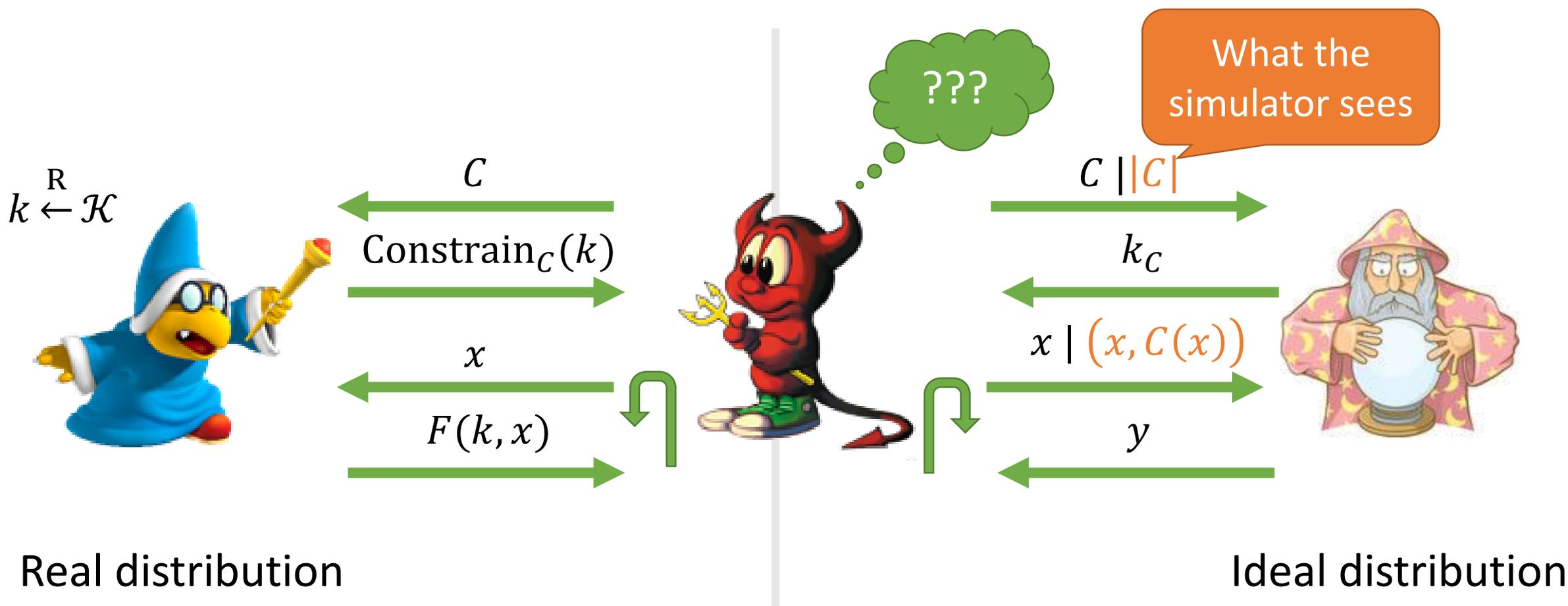
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Second attempt: also puncture  $k_2$  at  
 $y_1^* = \text{PRF}_1(k_1, x^*)$

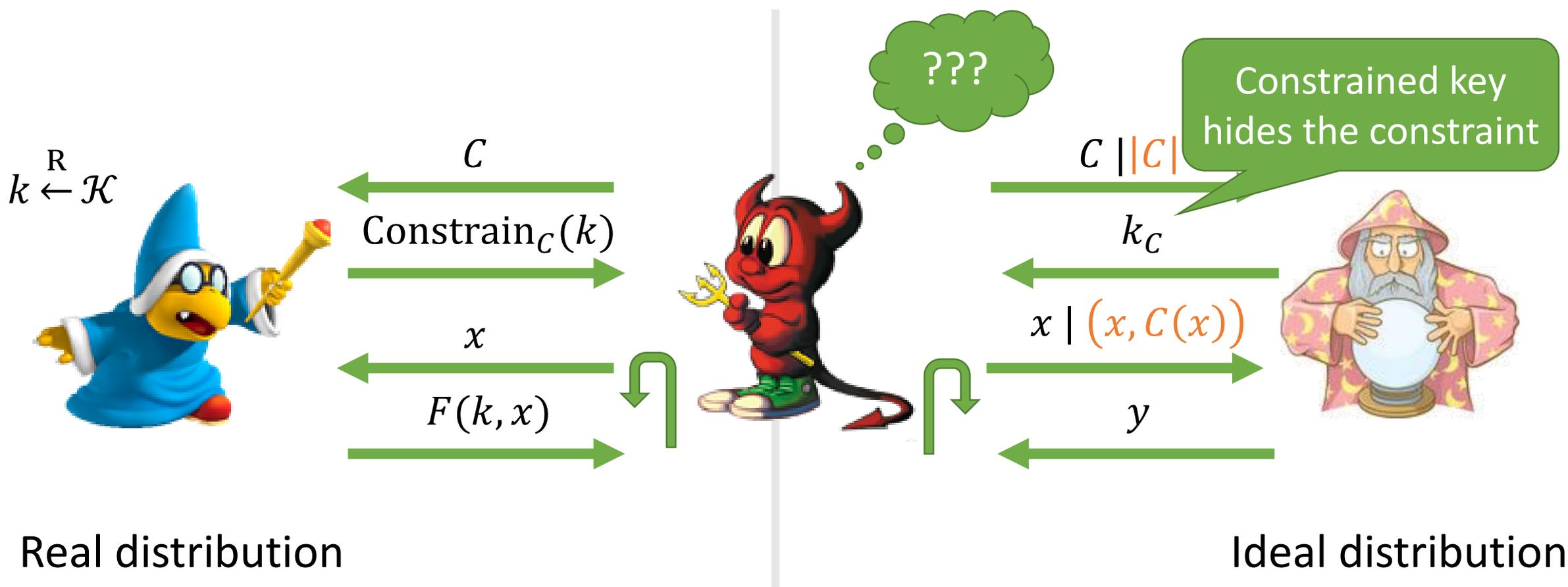
Punctured key  
reveals punctured  
point!

# Private Constrained PRFs [BLW17, BKM17, CC17, BTVW17]



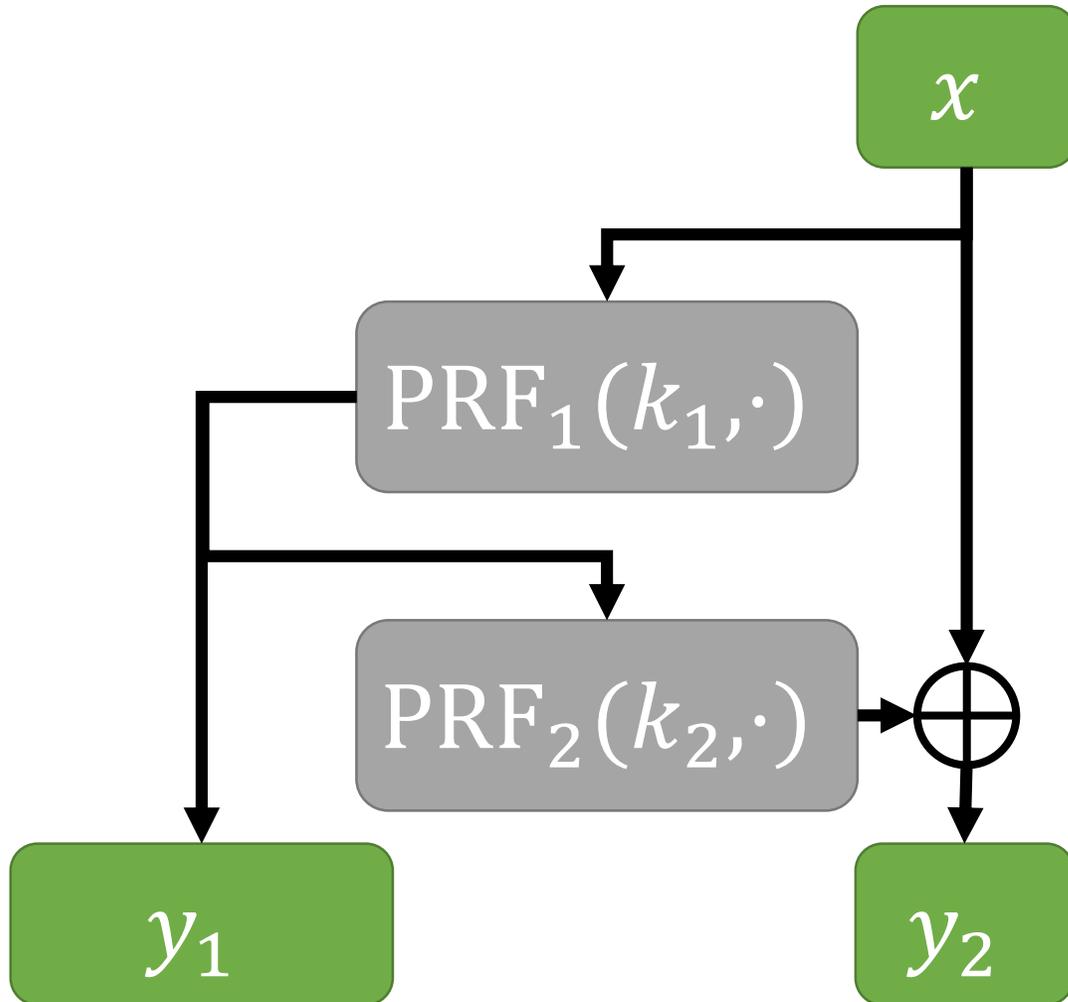
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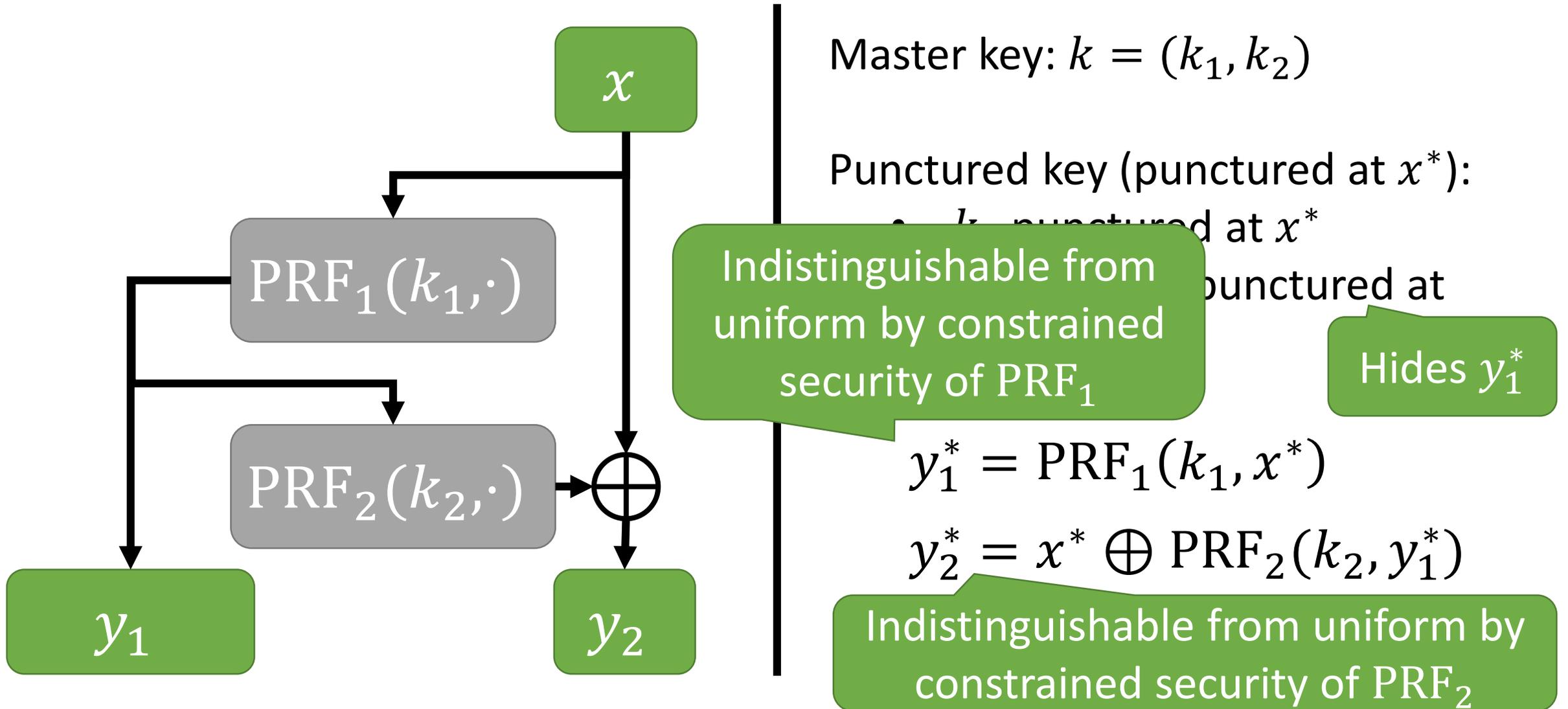
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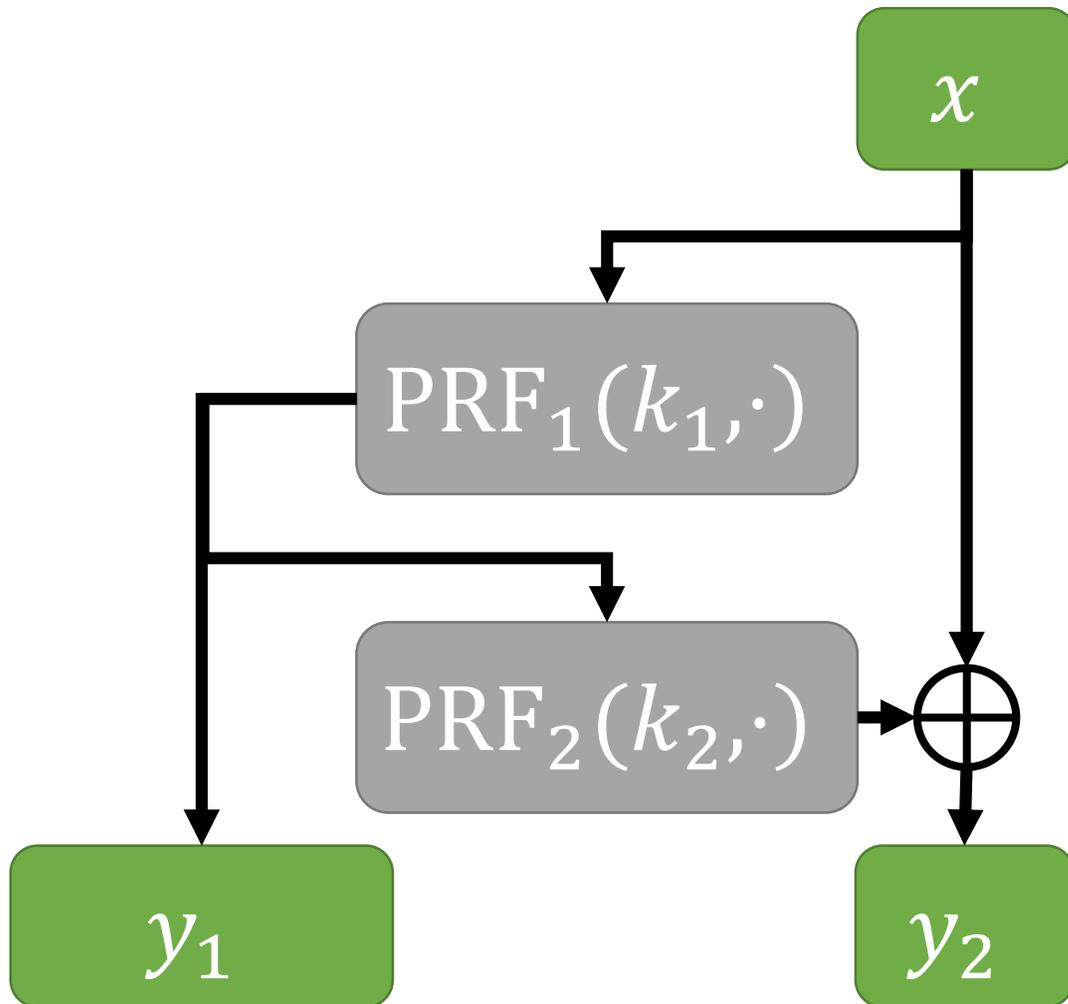
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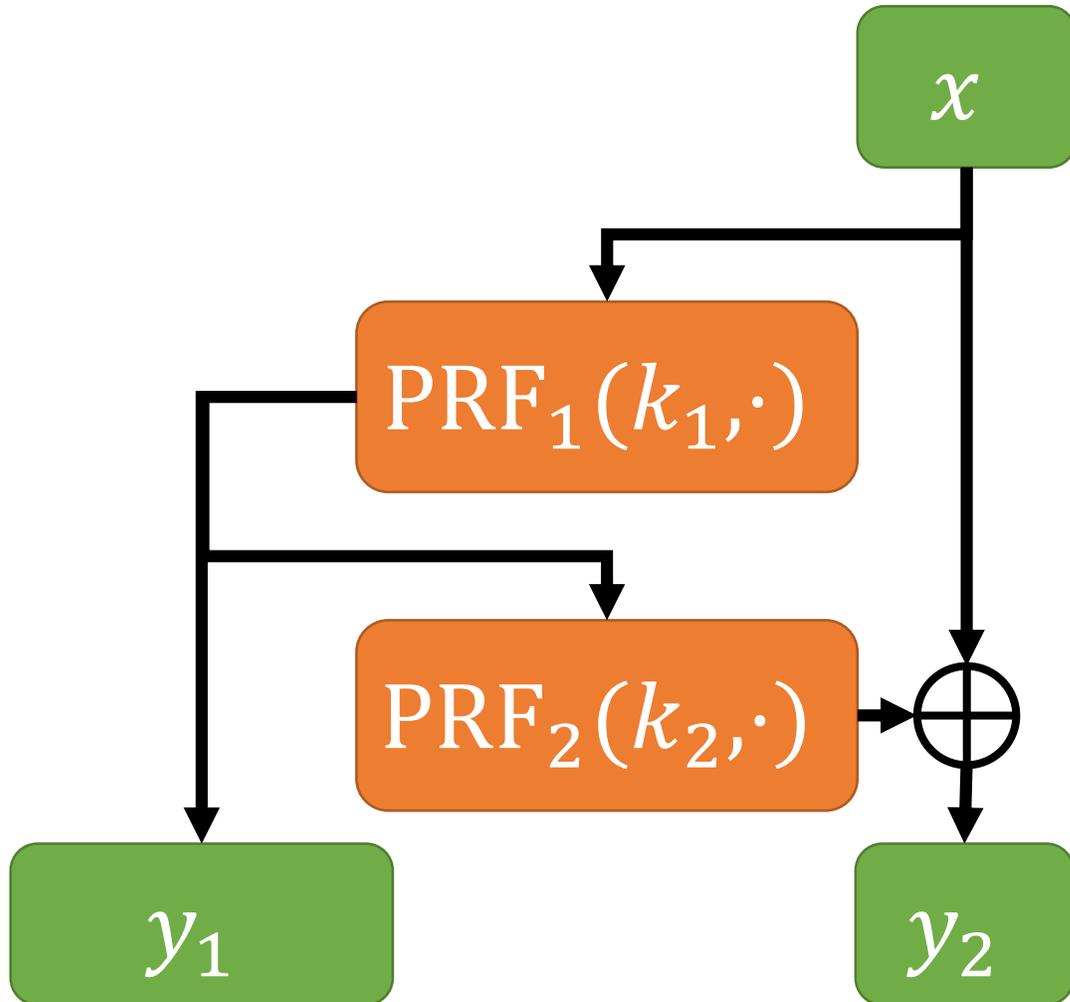
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Can be instantiated from standard lattice assumptions [BKM17, CC17, BTVW17]

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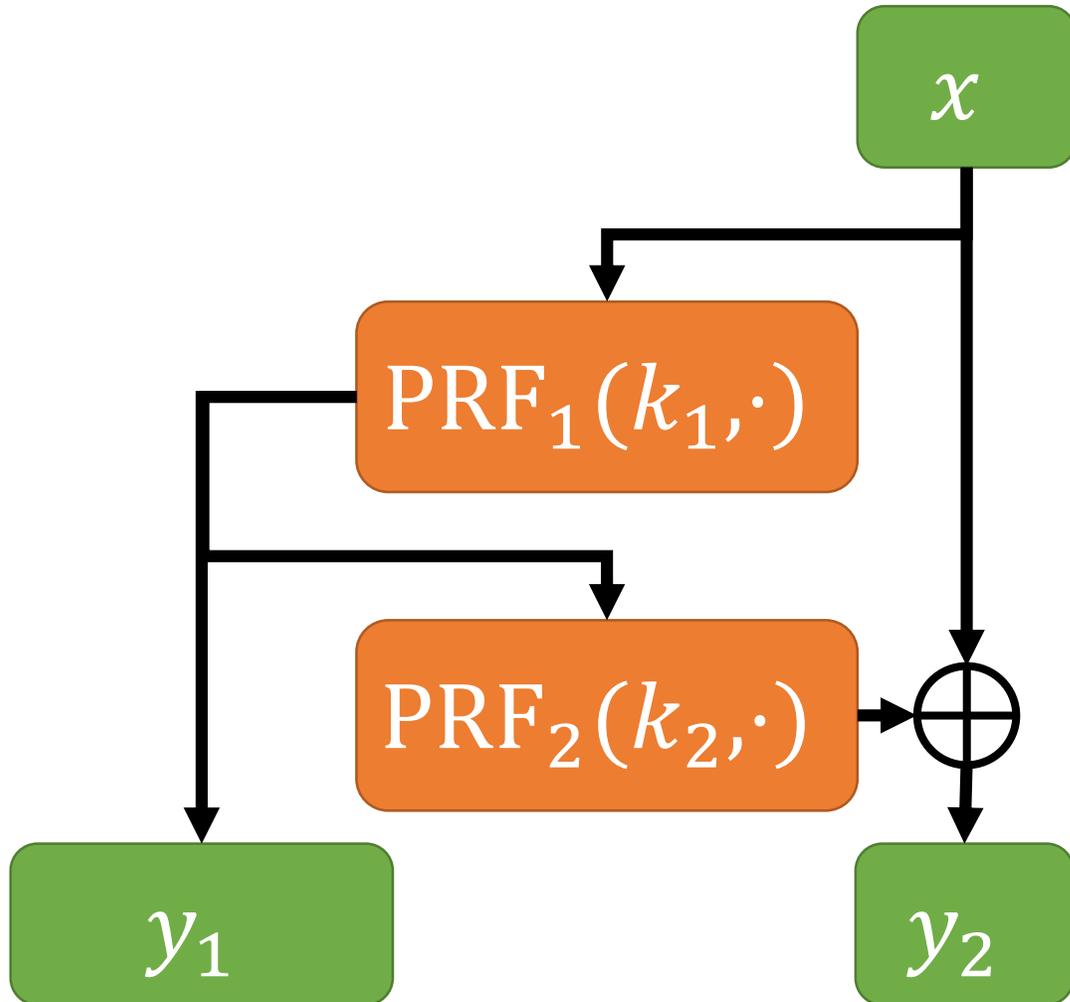
For puncturing at  $x^*$ :

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To constrain to circuit  $C$ :

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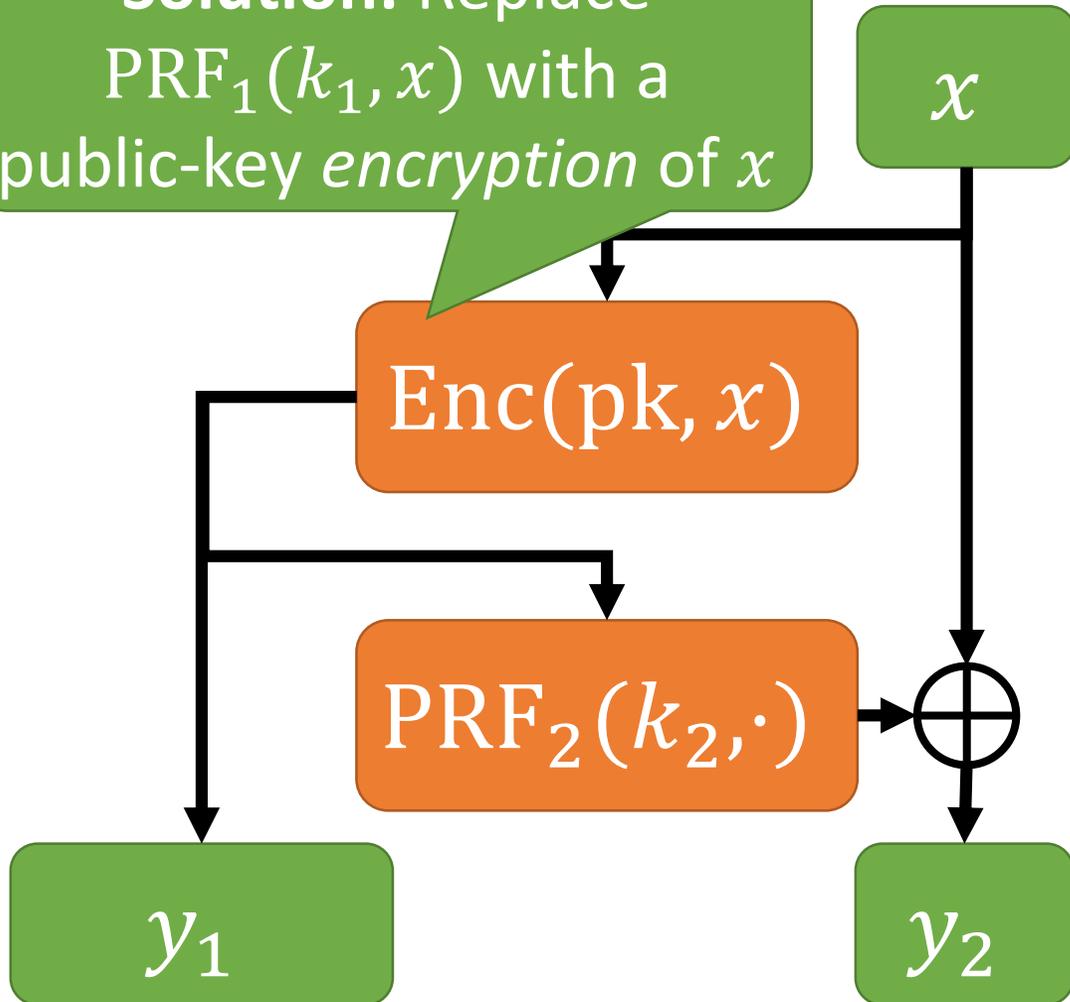
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To compute

- This set does not have a simple description unless  $\text{PRF}_1$  is efficiently invertible
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# Circuit-Constrained IPFs

**Solution:** Replace  $\text{PRF}_1(k_1, x)$  with a public-key *encryption* of  $x$

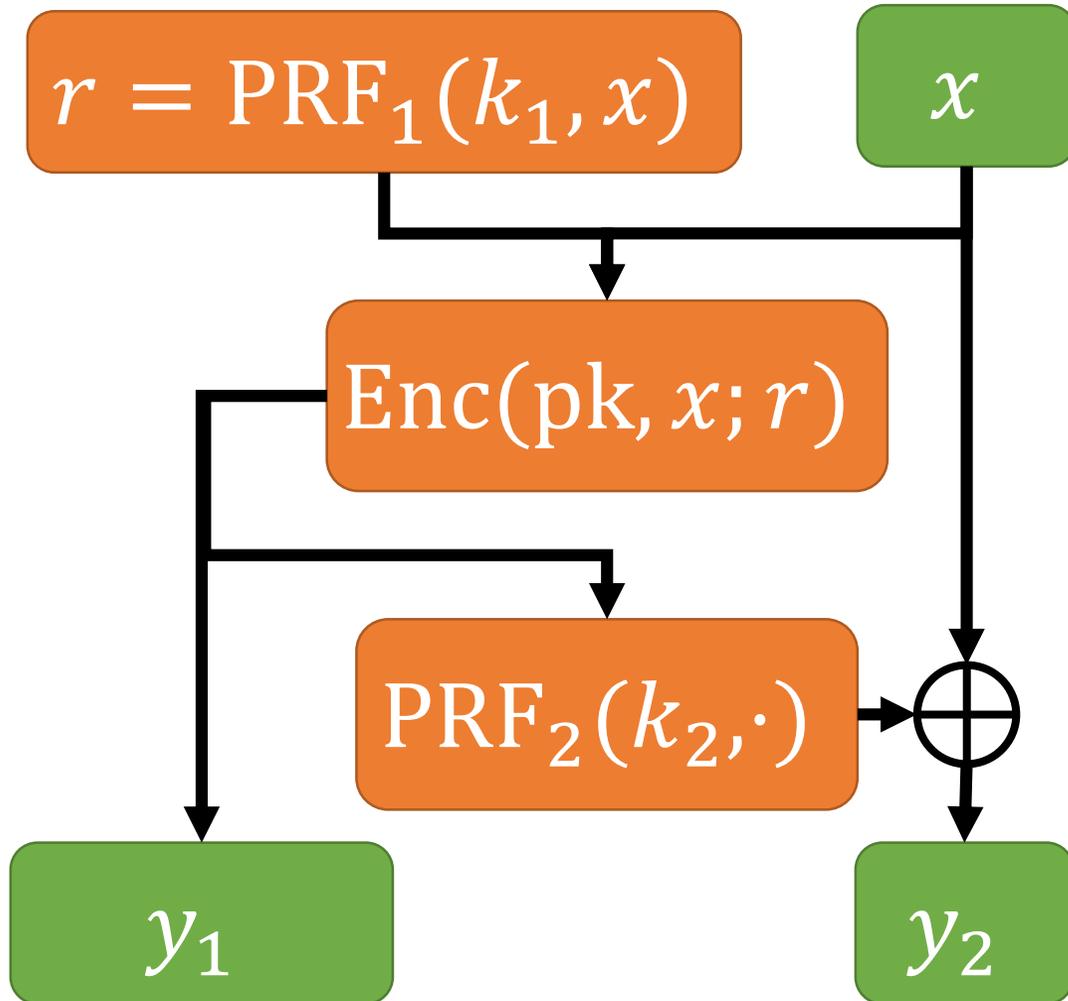


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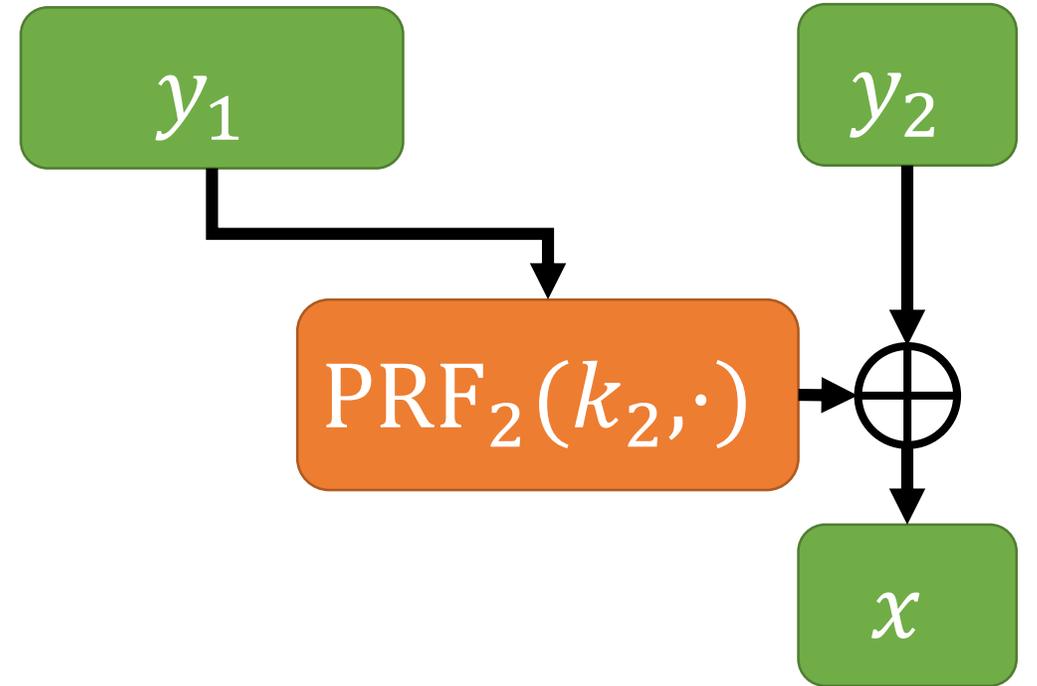
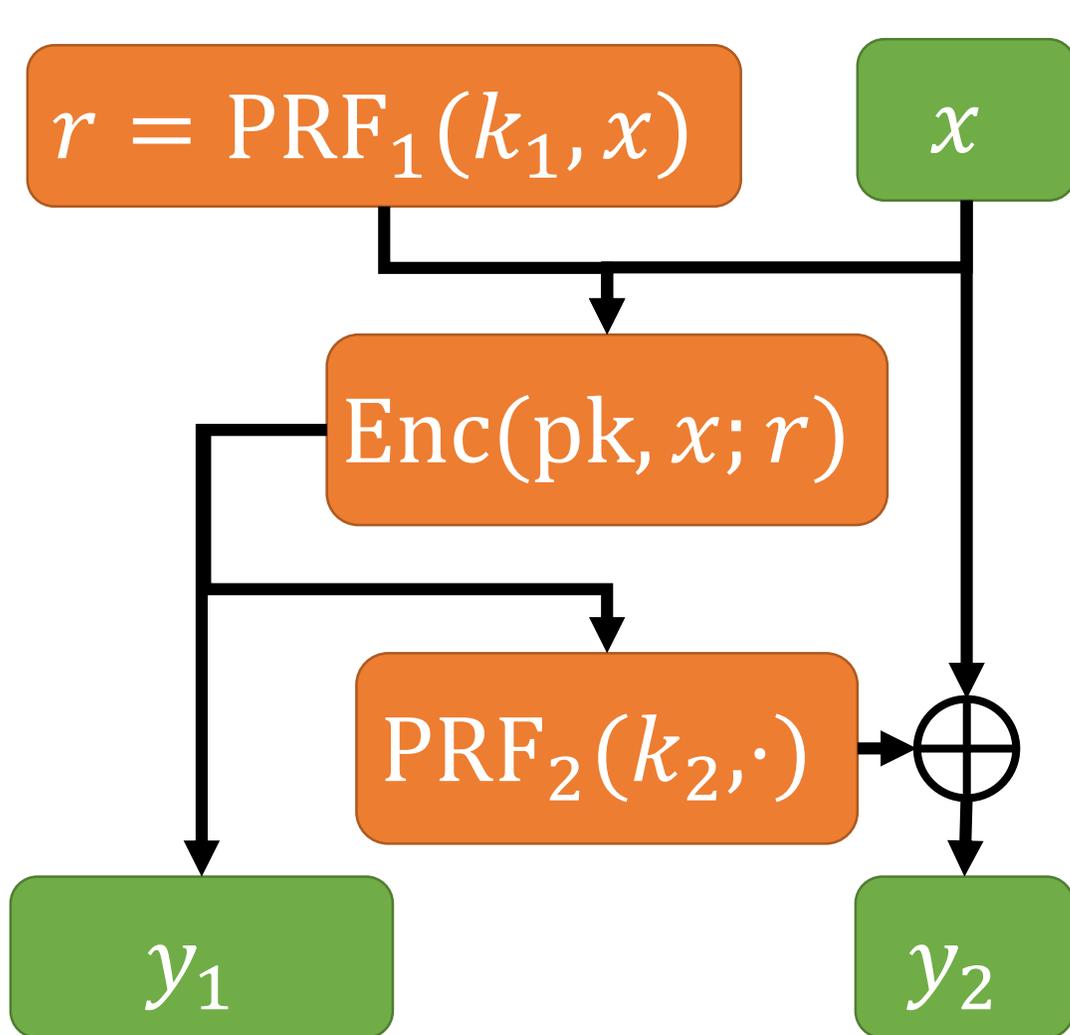
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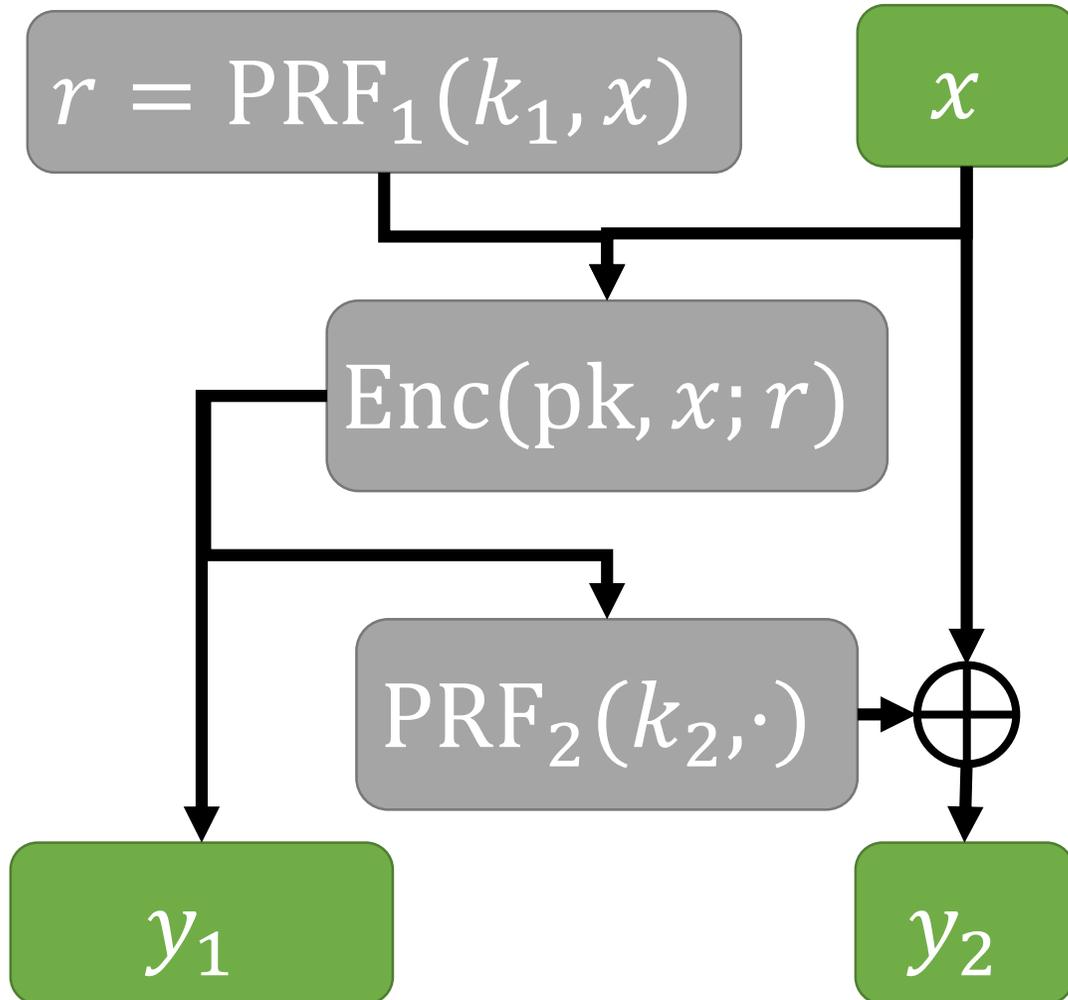
**Solution:** derive encryption randomness from constrained PRF

# Circuit-Constrained IPFs



Verify  $y_1 = \text{Enc}(\text{pk}, x; r)$  where  $r = \text{PRF}_1(k_1, x)$  and output  $\perp$  if  $y_1 \neq \text{Enc}(\text{pk}, x; r)$

# Circuit-Constrained IPFs



Master key:  $k = (\text{pk}, \text{sk}, k_1, k_2)$

Constrained key for a circuit  $C$ :

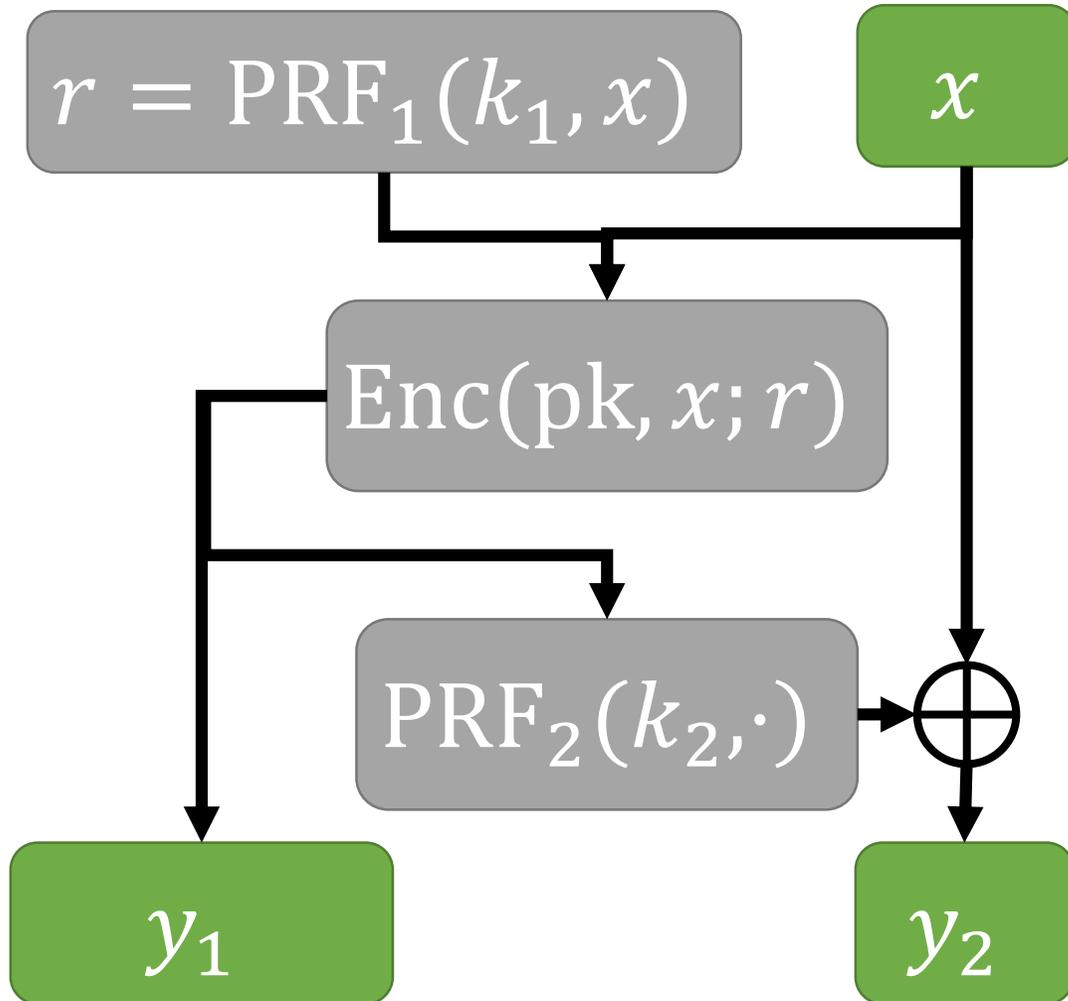
- public key  $\text{pk}$
- $k_1$  constrained to  $C$
- $k_2$  *privately* constrained to following circuit:

**Hard-wired:**  $\text{sk}$  and  $C$

**On input  $\text{ct}$ :**

- Let  $x \leftarrow \text{Dec}(\text{sk}, \text{ct})$
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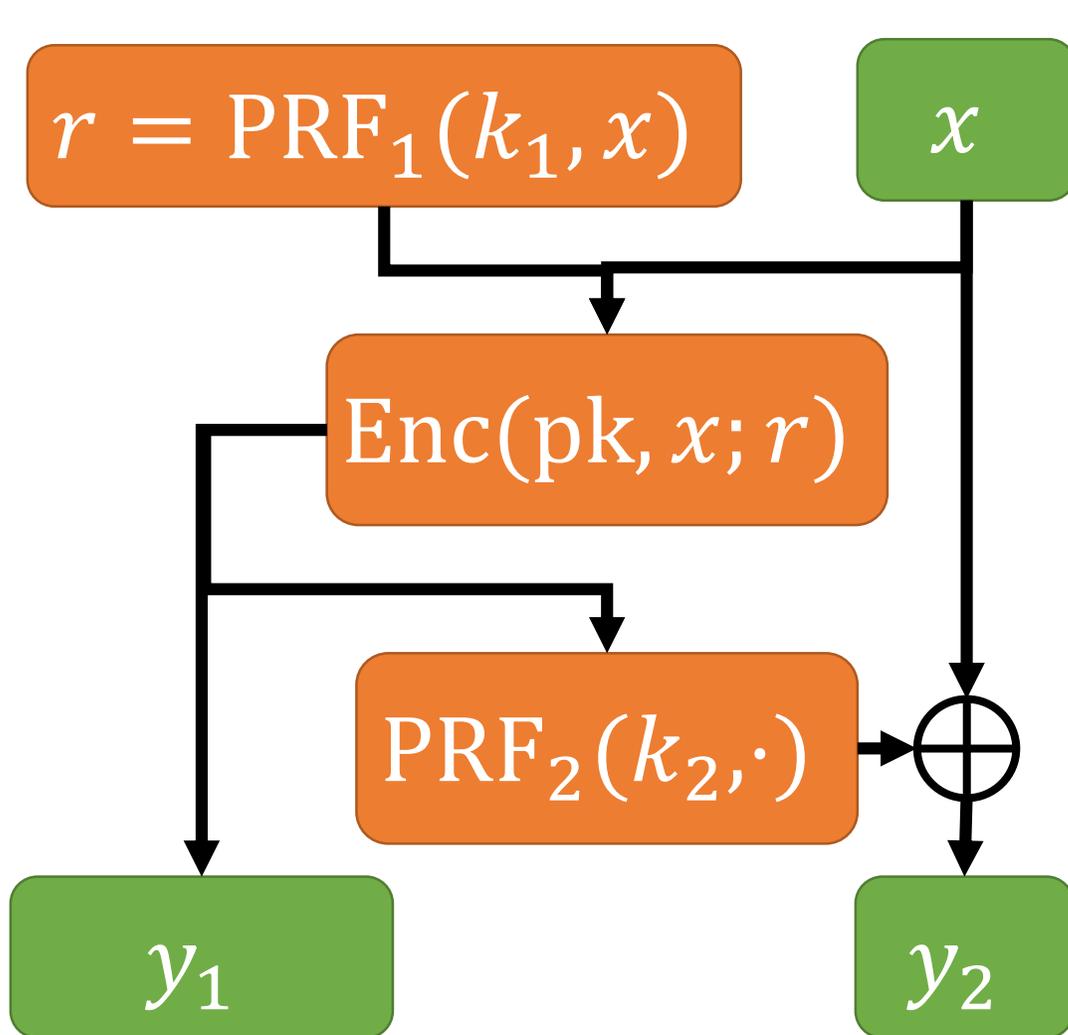
Privacy is essential to hide the secret key (the inversion trapdoor)

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# Circuit-Constrained IPFs



Construction is a (single-key) secure circuit-constrained IPF if

- $\text{PRF}_1$  is a circuit-constrained PRF
- $\text{PRF}_2$  is a private circuit-constrained PRF
- $(\text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  is a CCA-secure public-key encryption scheme

All primitives can be instantiated from standard lattice assumptions

[See paper for security analysis]

# Conclusions

*Can we constrain other cryptographic primitives, such as pseudorandom permutations (PRPs)?*

- Constrained PRPs for many natural classes of constraints *do not exist*
- Circuit-constrained *invertible pseudorandom functions* (IPFs) where the range is superpolynomially larger than the domain can be constructed from lattices

# Open Problems

Can we construct constrained **PRPs** for sufficiently restrictive constraint classes (e.g., prefix-constrained PRPs)?

Can we construct a multi-key circuit-constrained IPF from standard assumptions?

**Thank you!**

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