

Title: Device-independent quantum key distribution

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Abstract: Even though the security of quantum key distribution has been rigorously proven, most practical schemes can be attacked and broken. These attacks make use of imperfections of the physical devices used for their implementation. Since current security proofs assume that the physical devices' exact and complete specification is known, they do not hold for this scenario. The goal of device-independent quantum key distribution is to show security without making any assumptions about the internal working of the devices. In this talk, I will first explain the assumptions 'traditional' security proofs make and why they are problematic. Then, I will discuss how the violation of Bell inequalities can be used to show security even when a large part of the physical devices is untrusted.

Device-Independent Quantum Key Distribution

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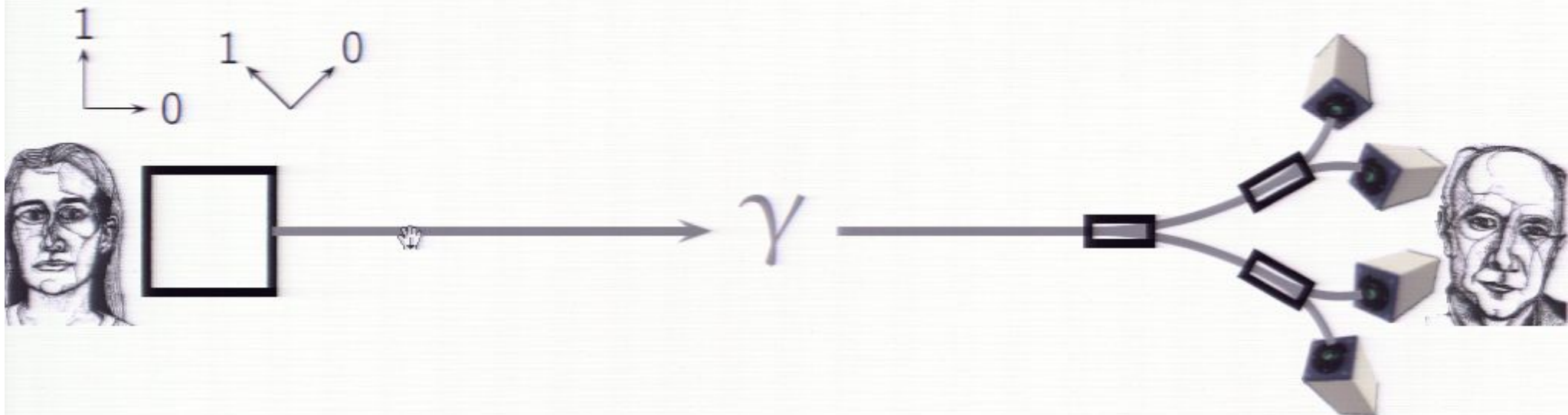
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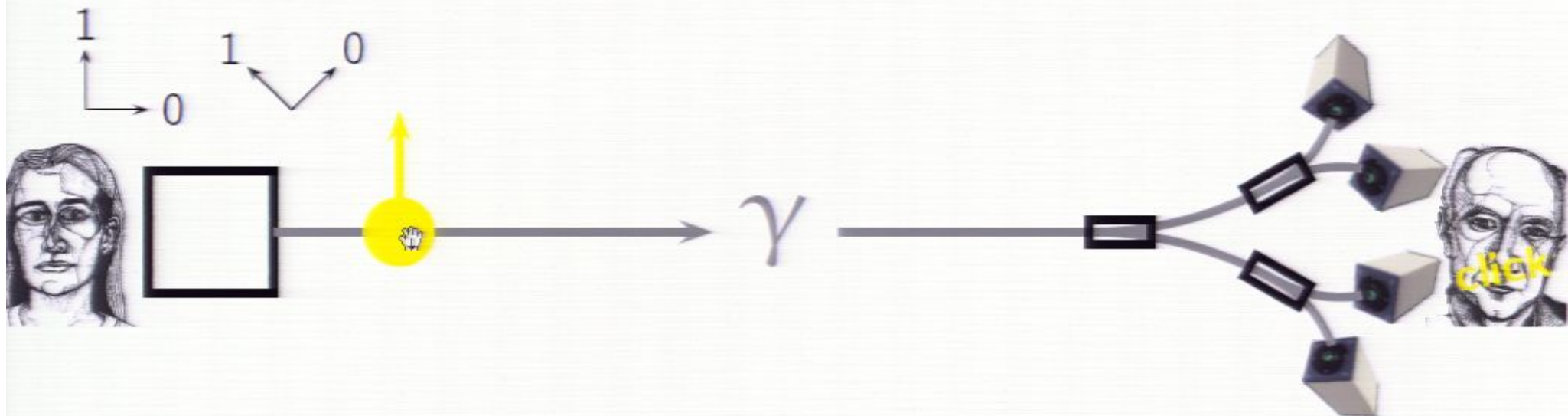
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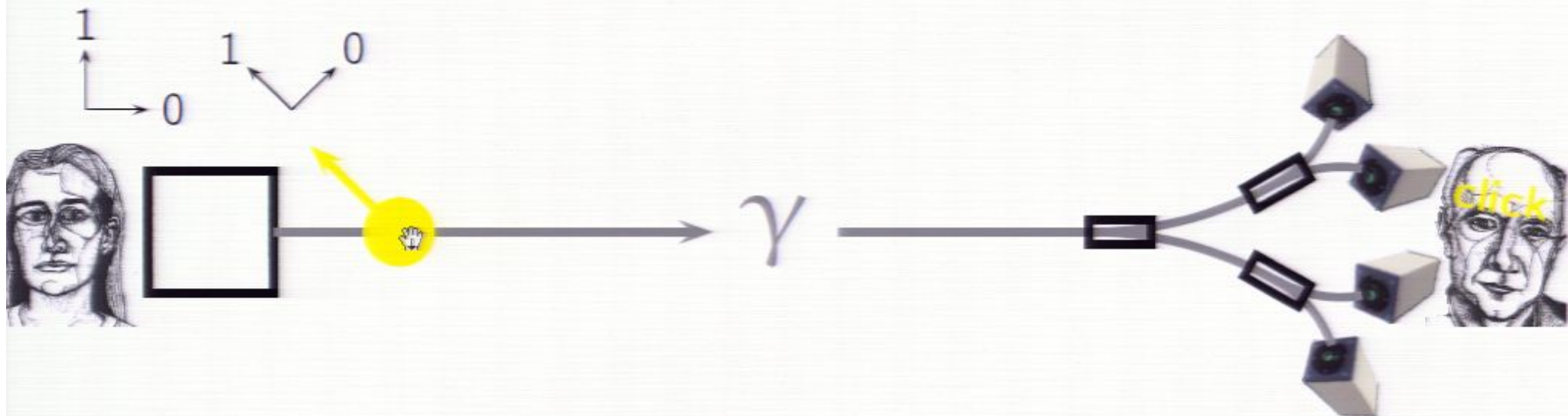
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basis	×					
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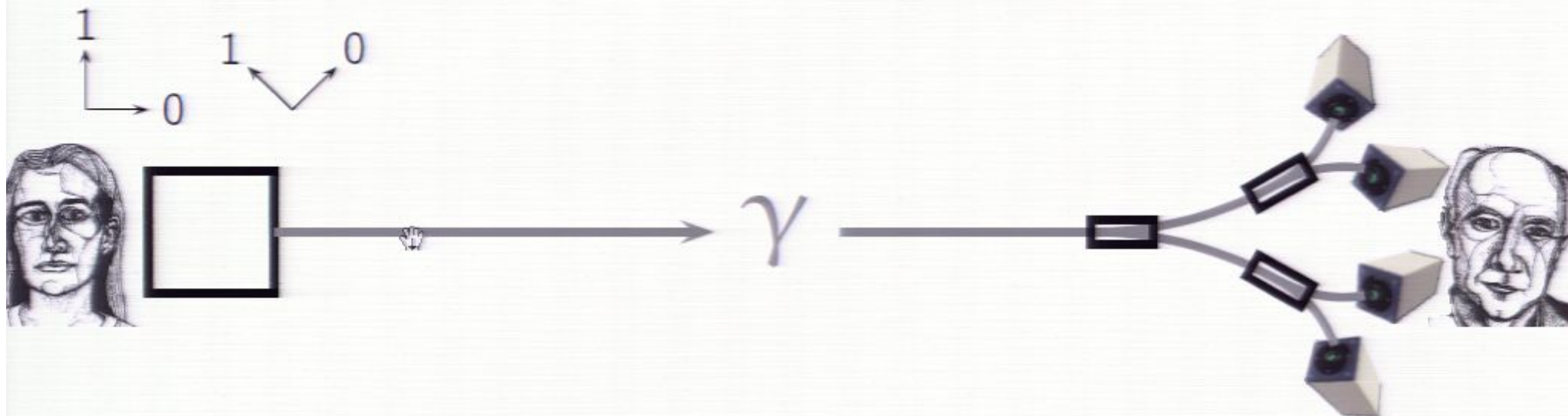
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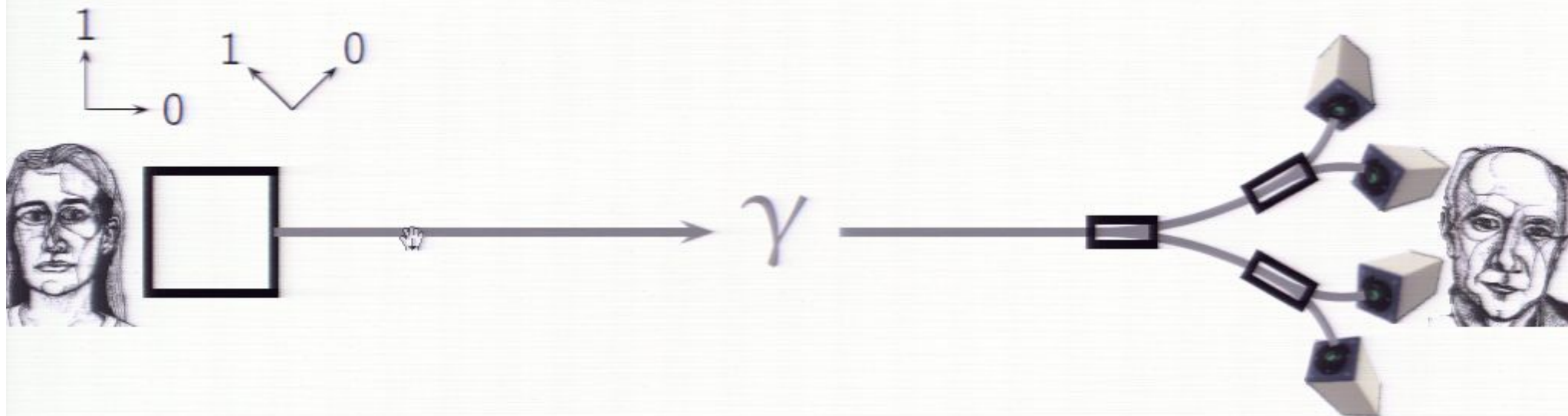




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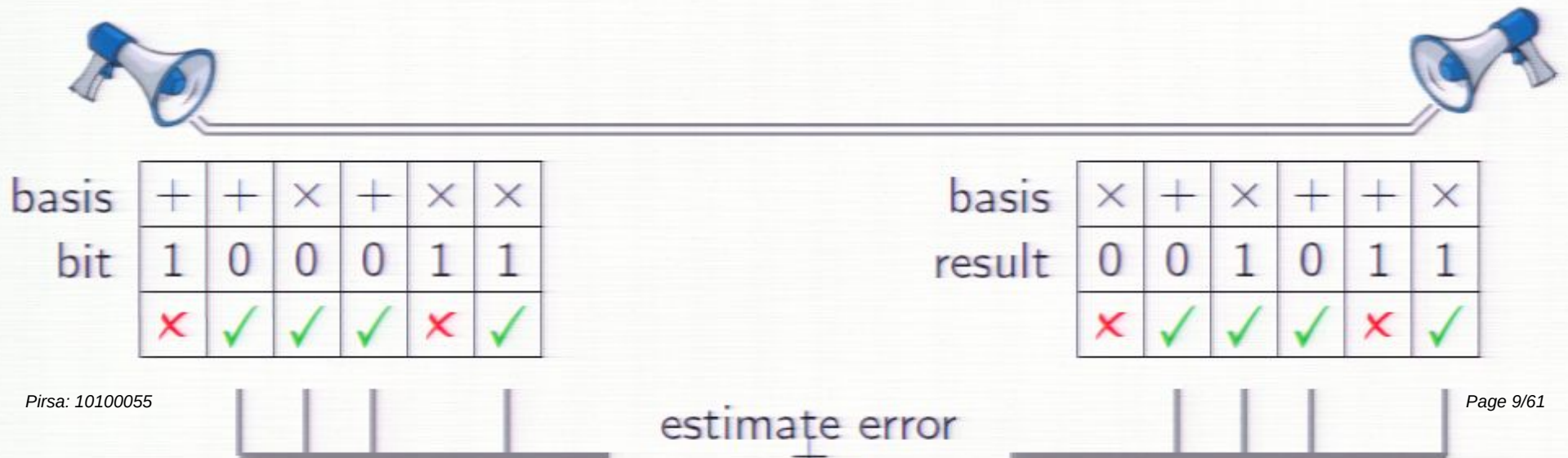
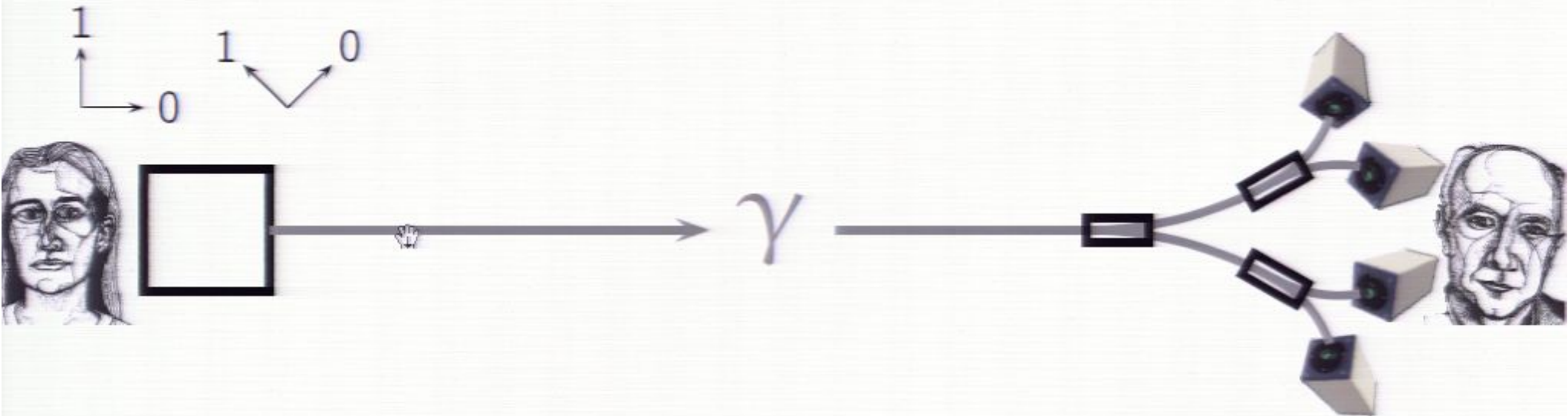
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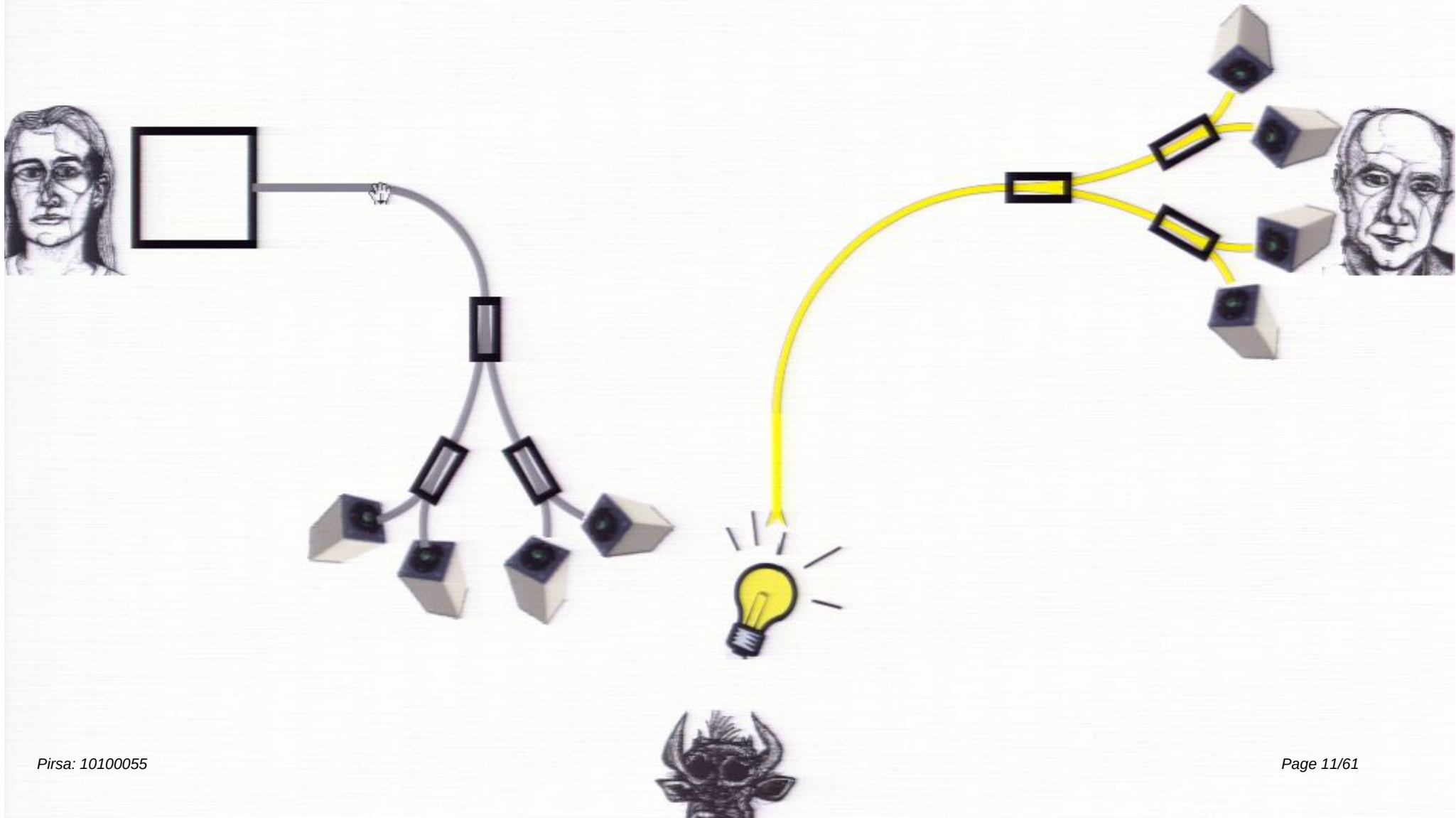
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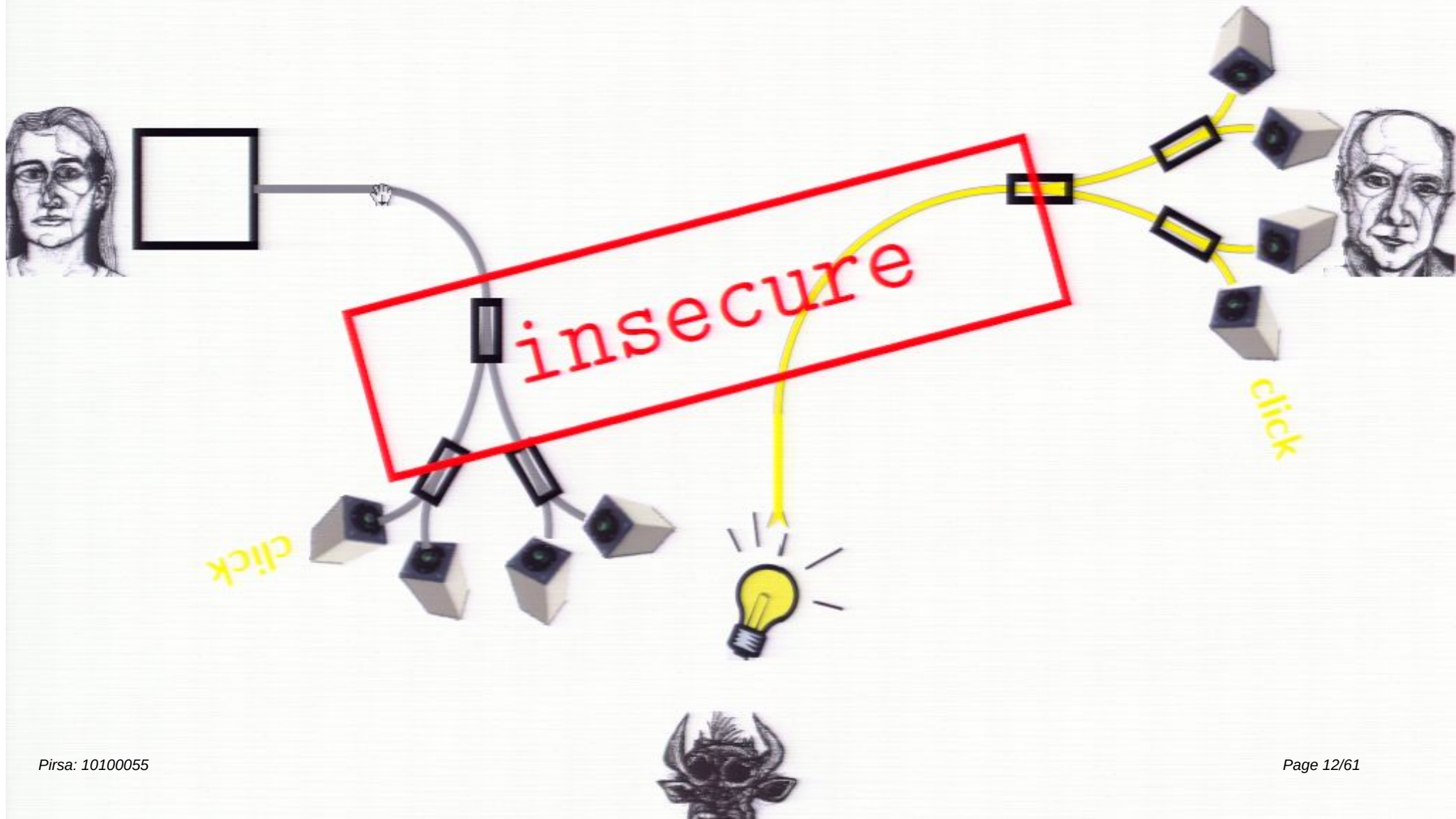
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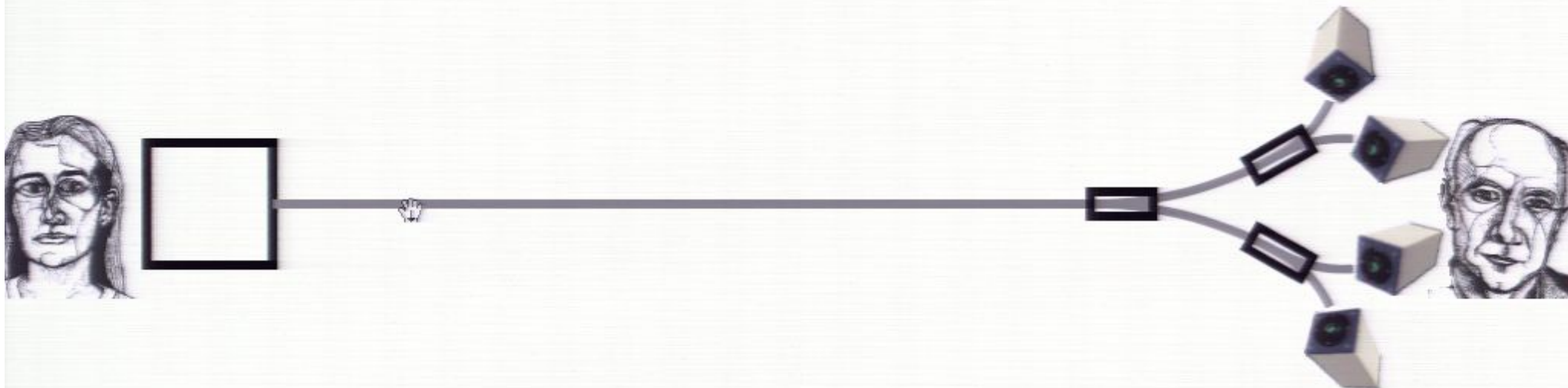
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Assumptions in Quantum Key Distribution



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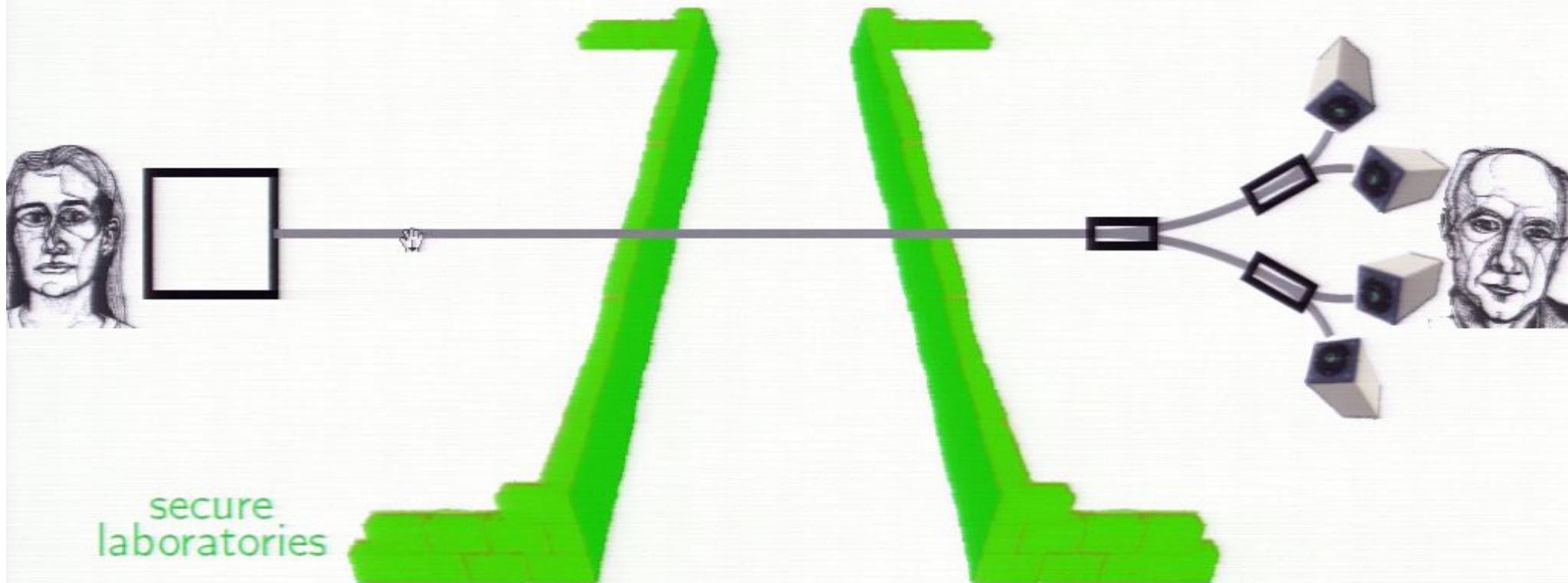
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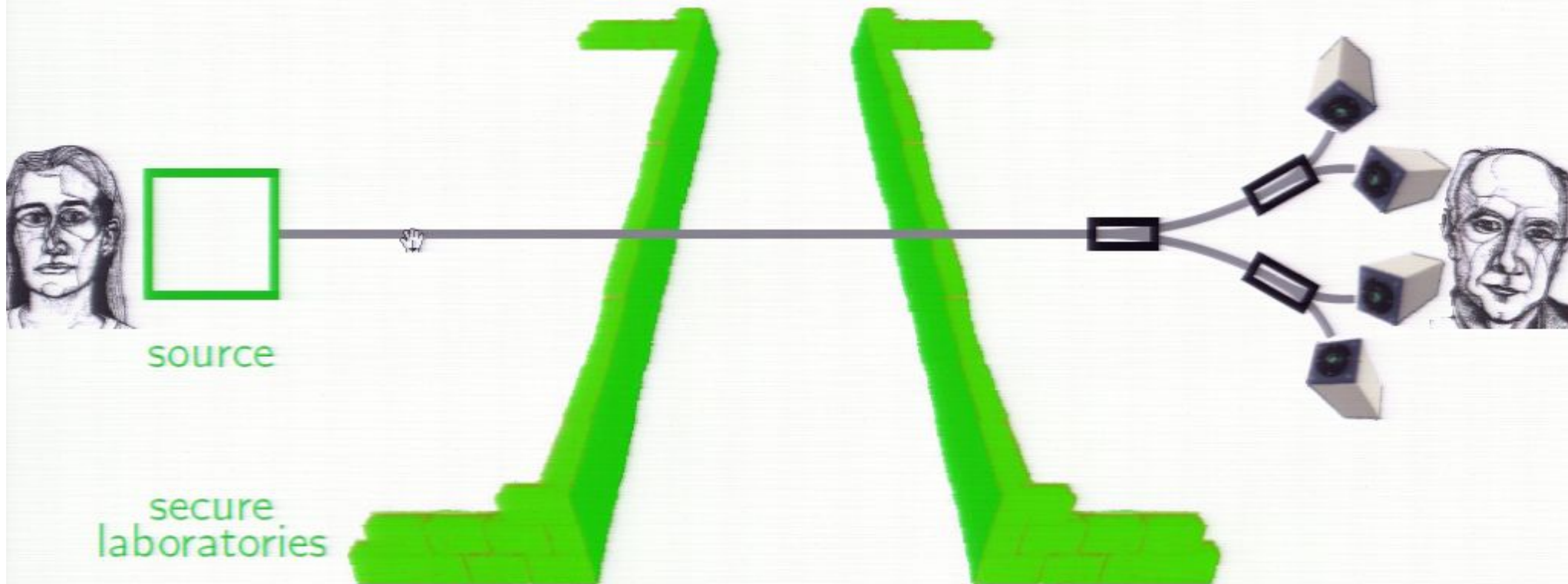
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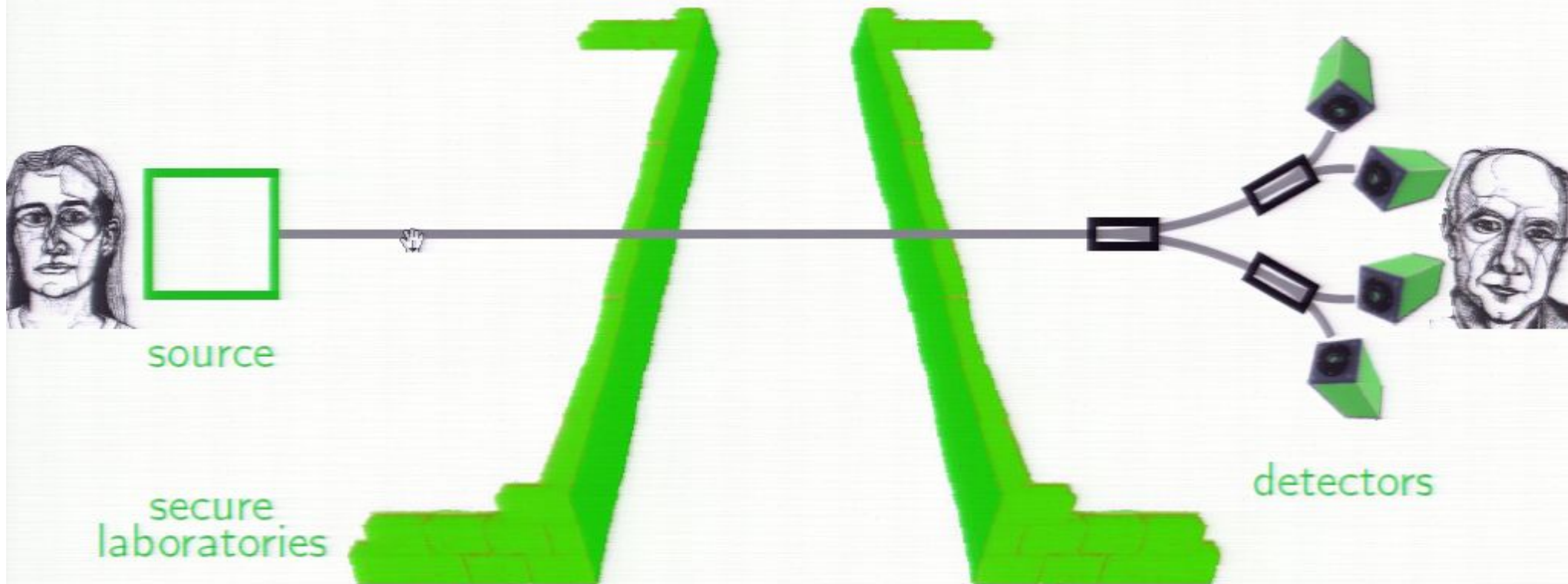
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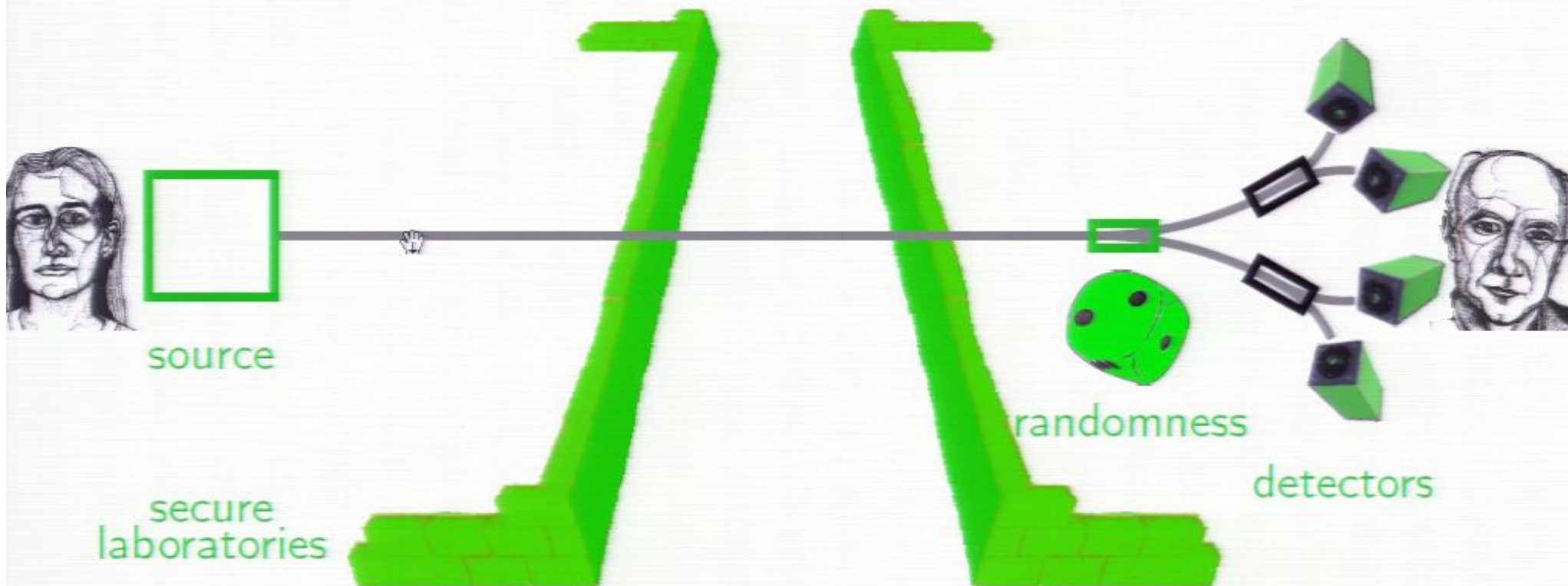
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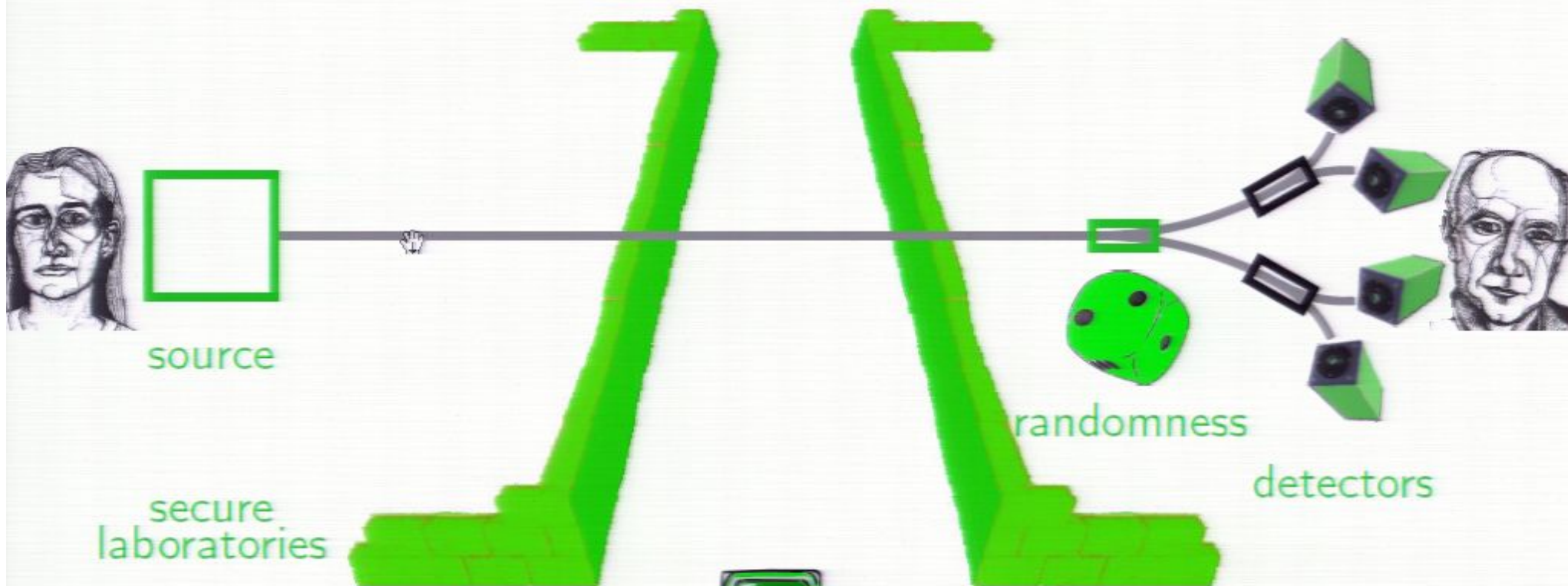
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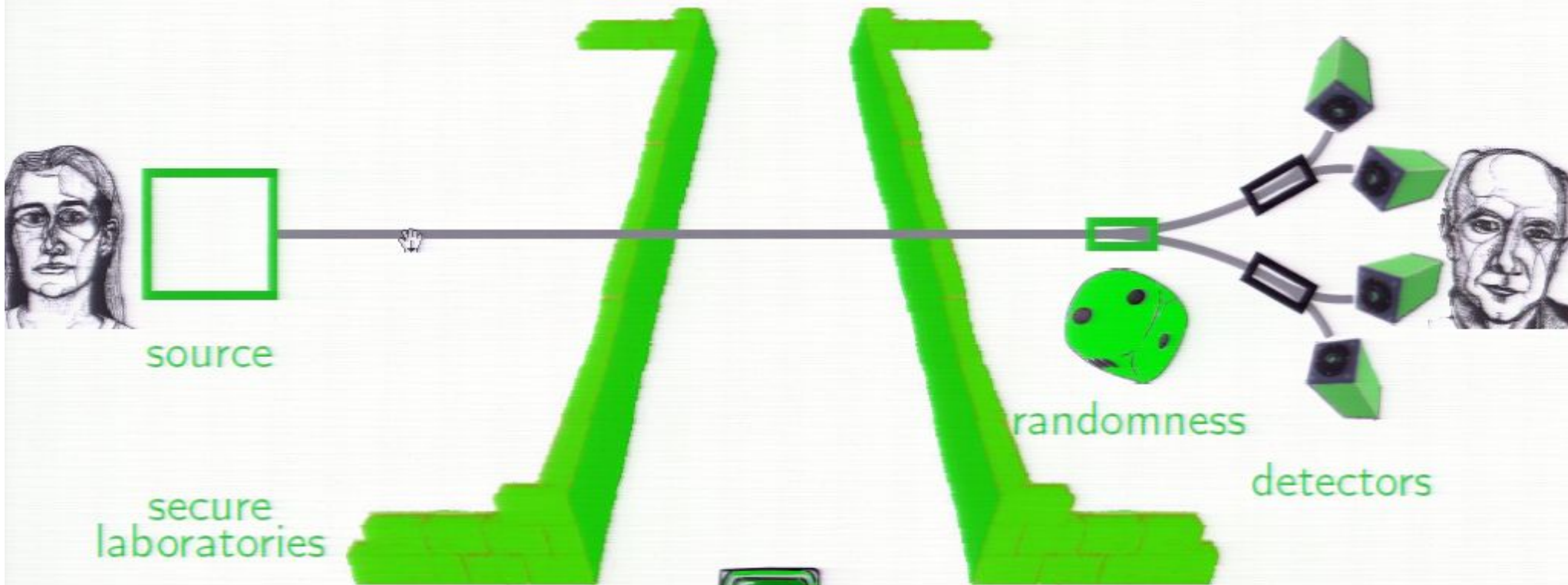
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classical computation

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Countermeasures



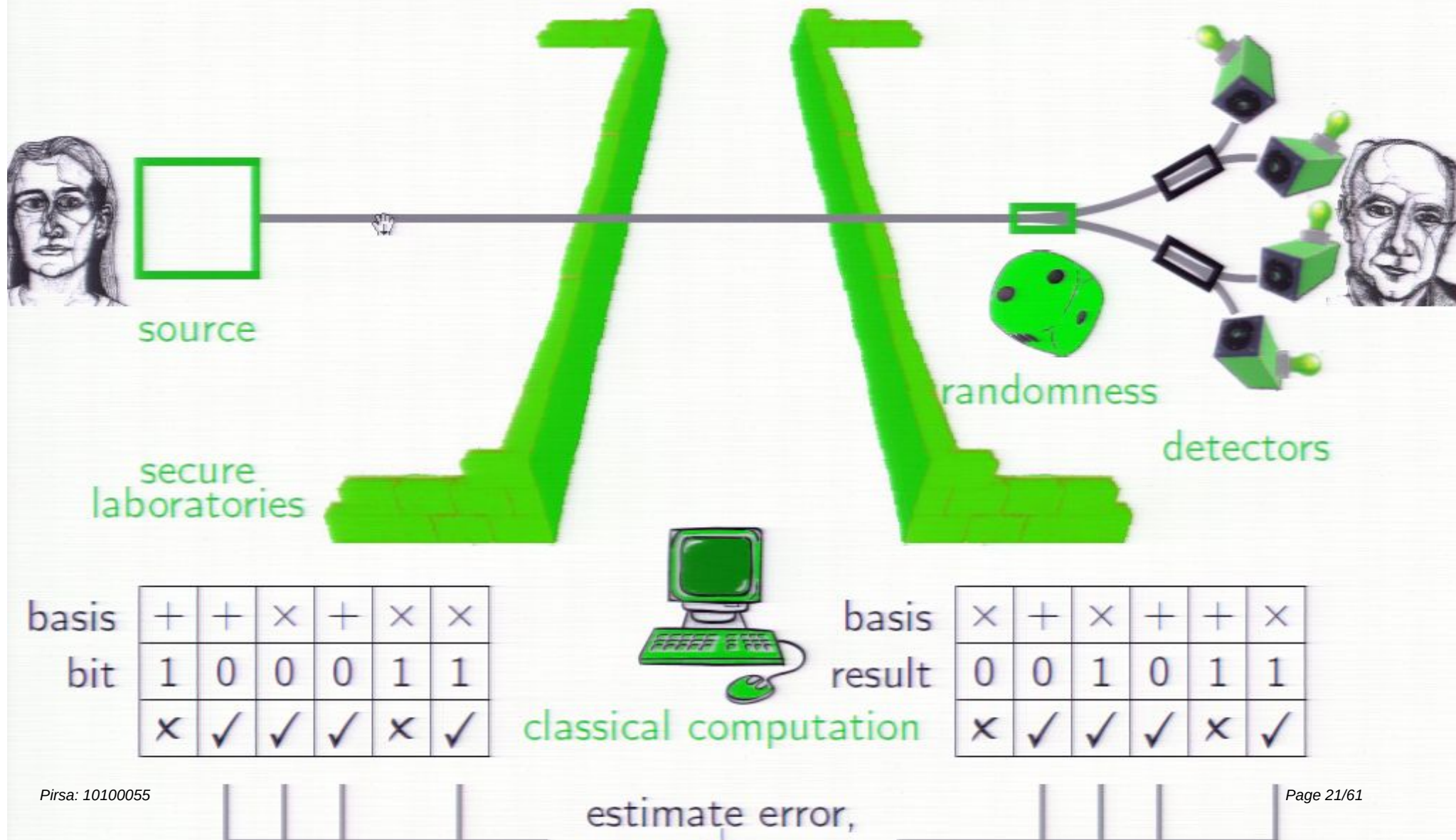
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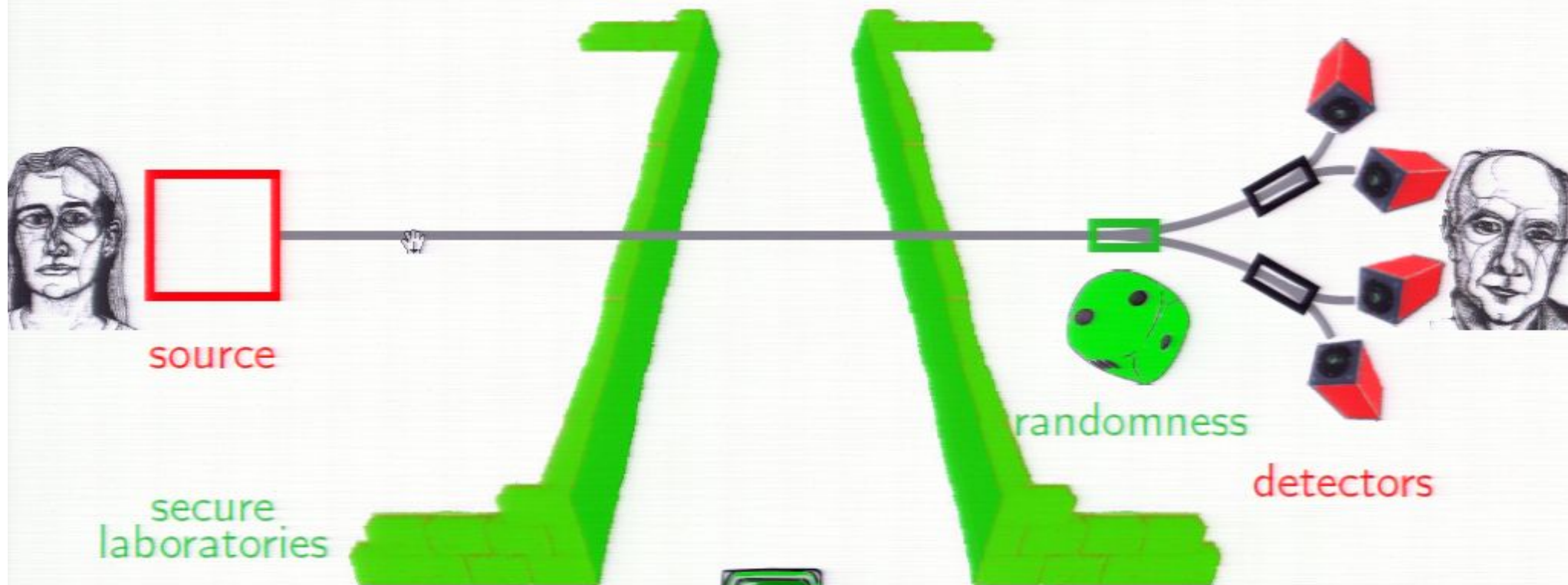
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Countermeasures



Countermeasures: Device-Independent QKD



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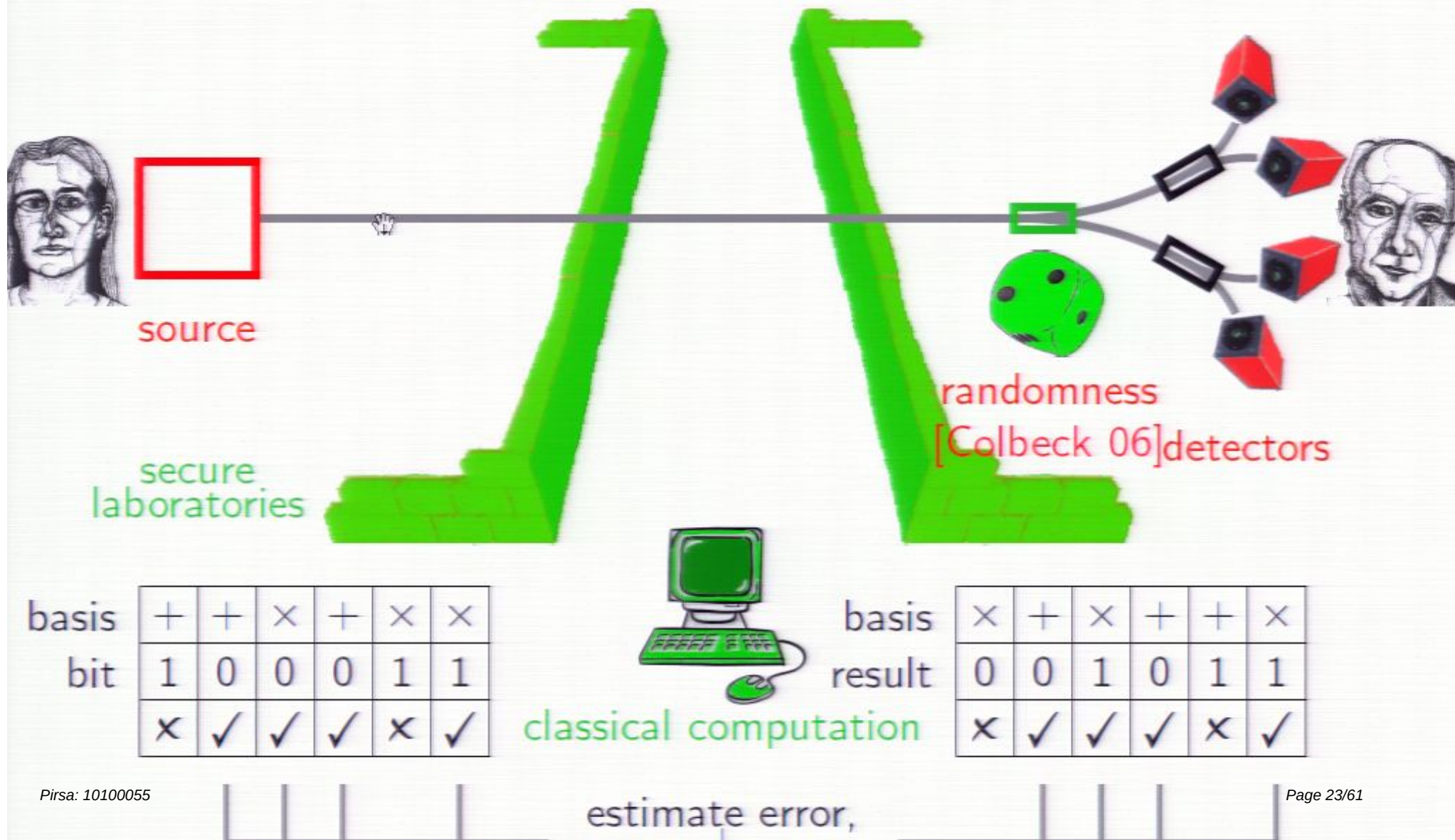


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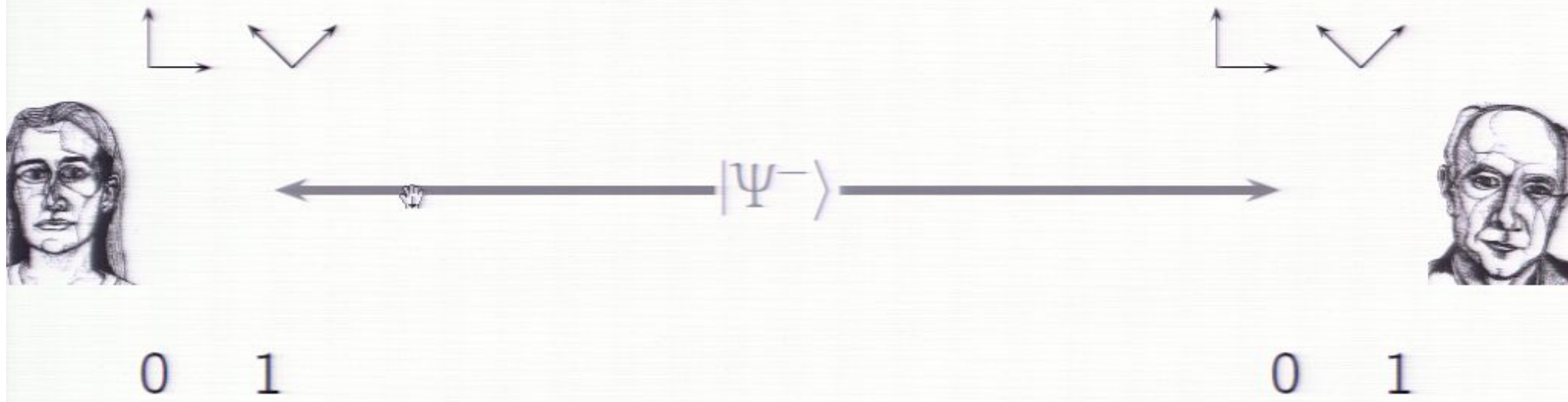
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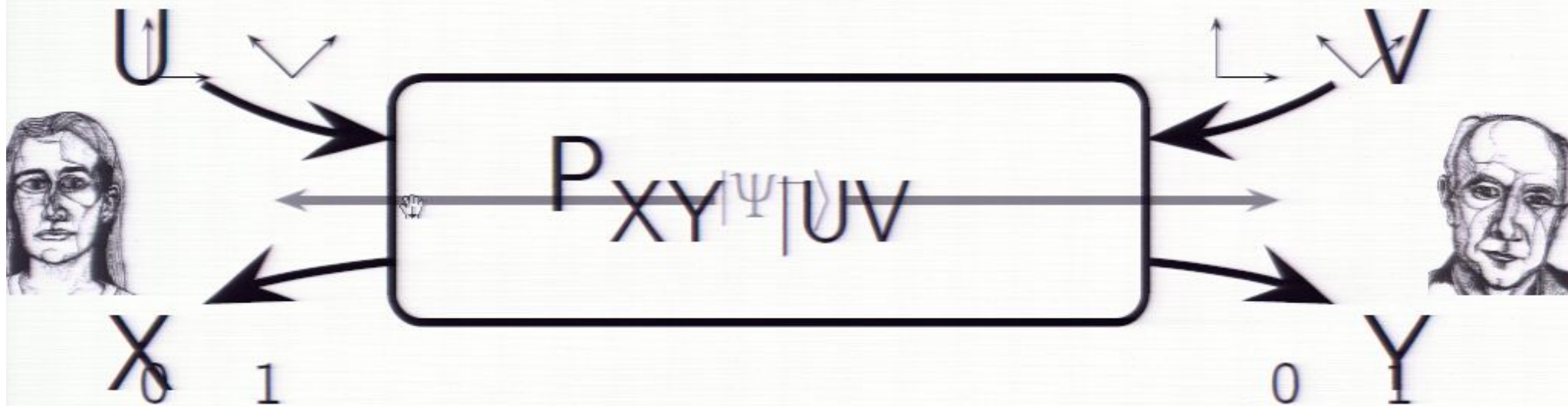
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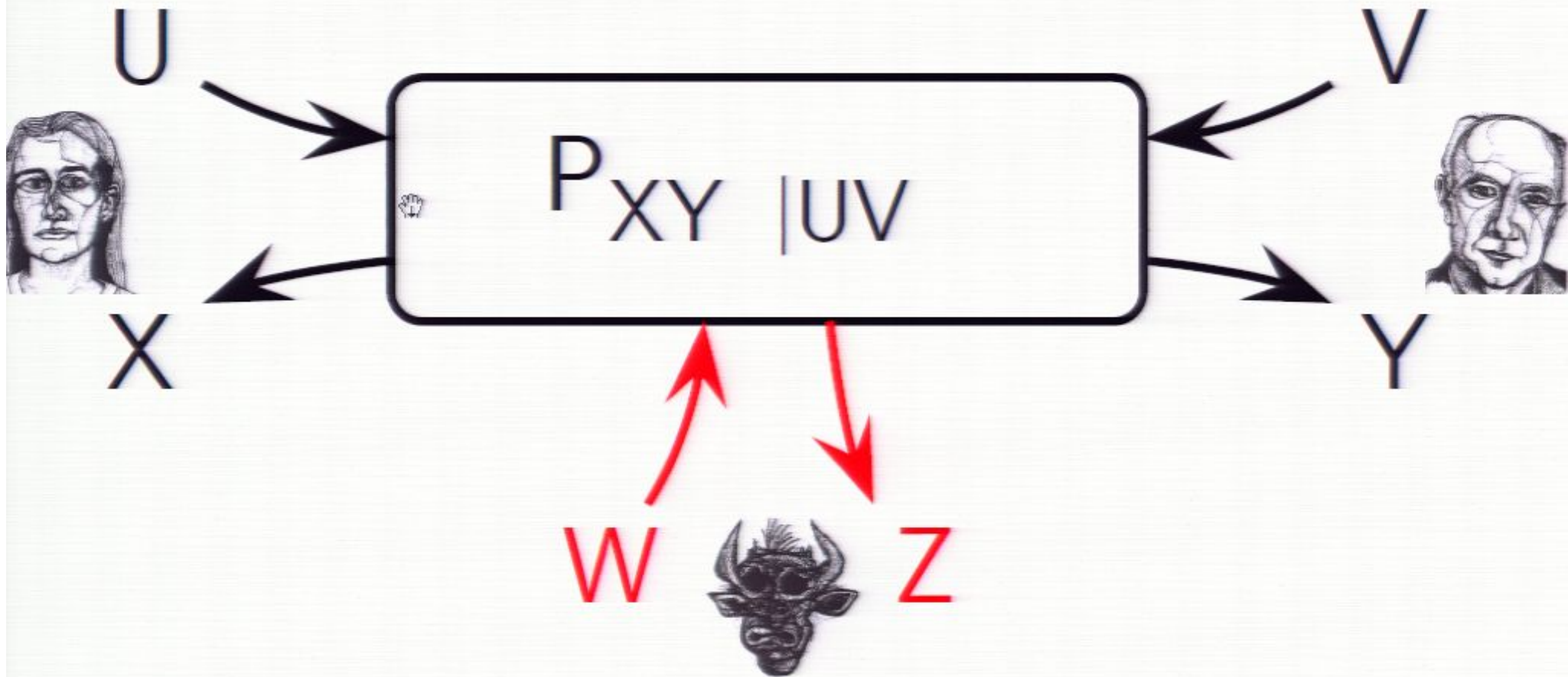
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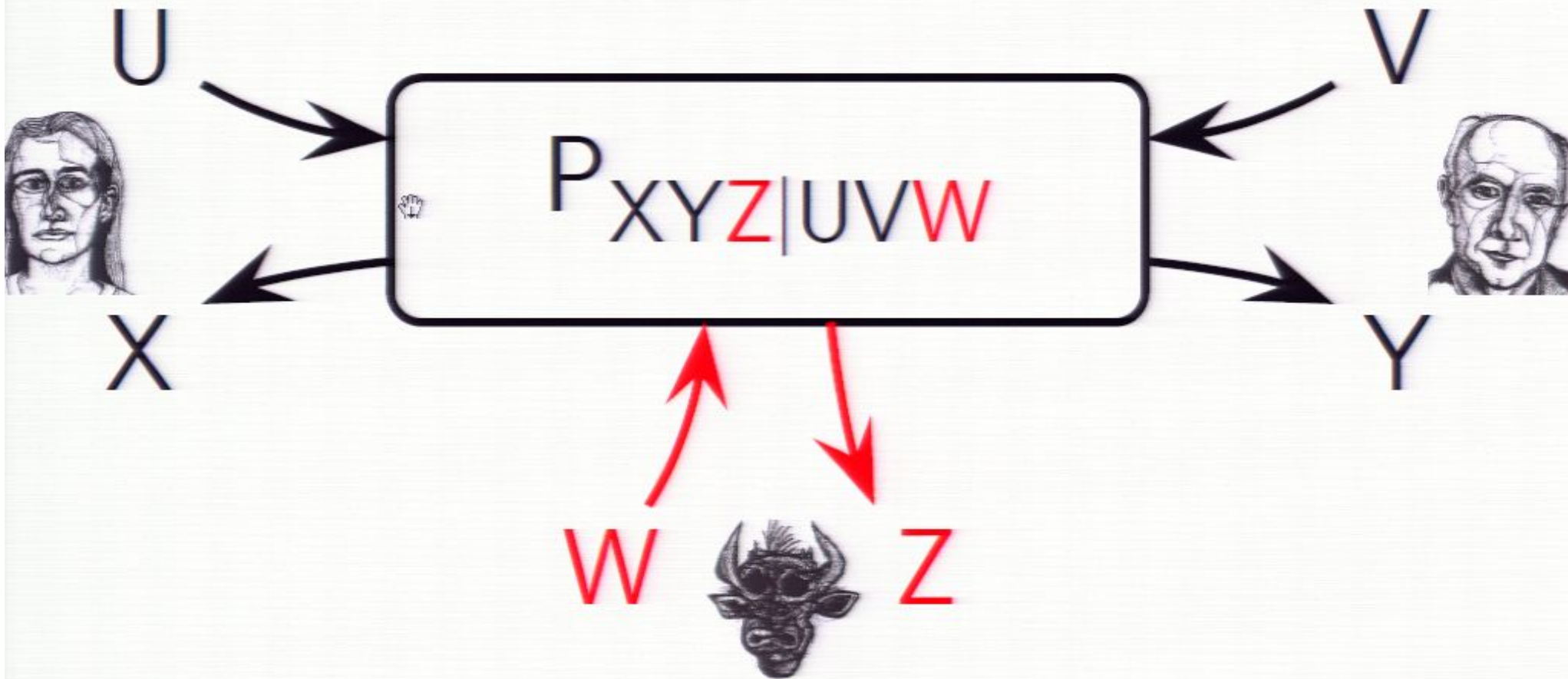
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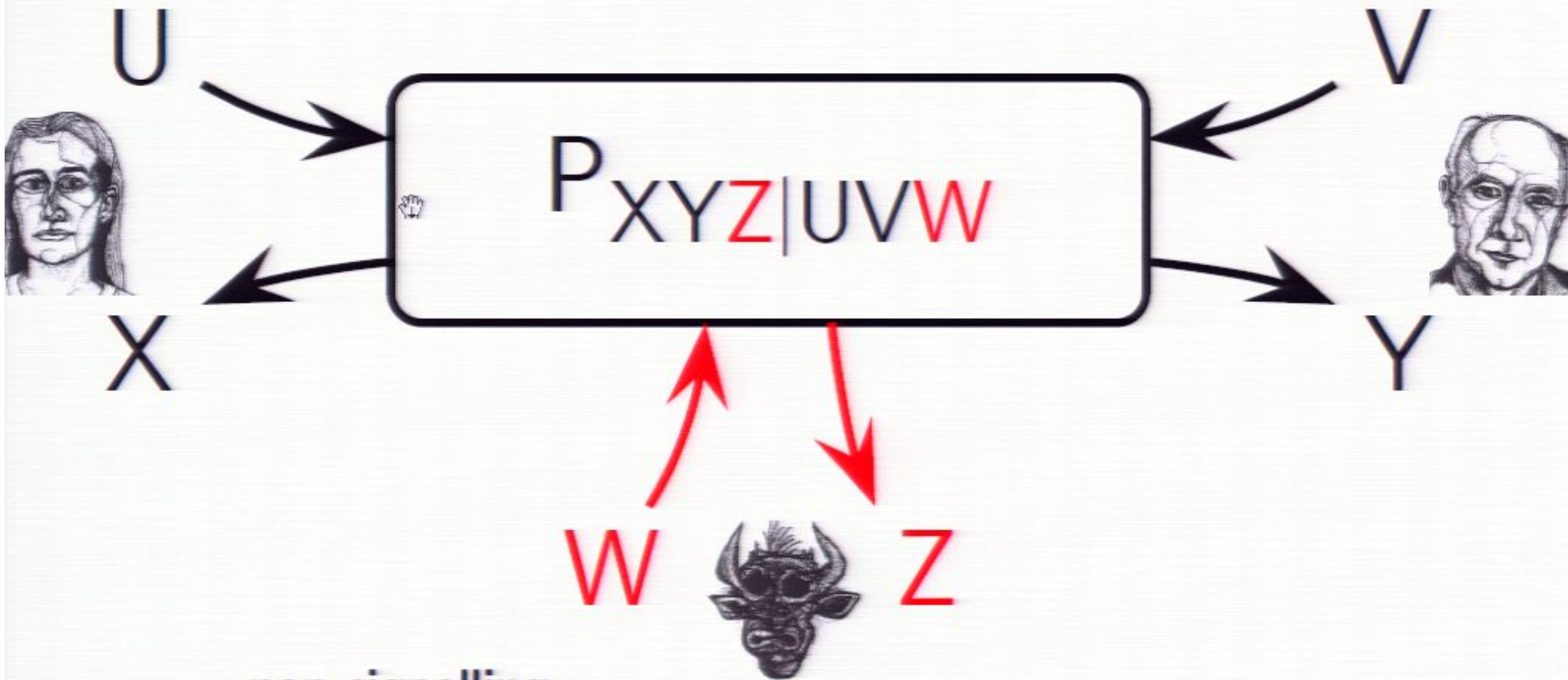
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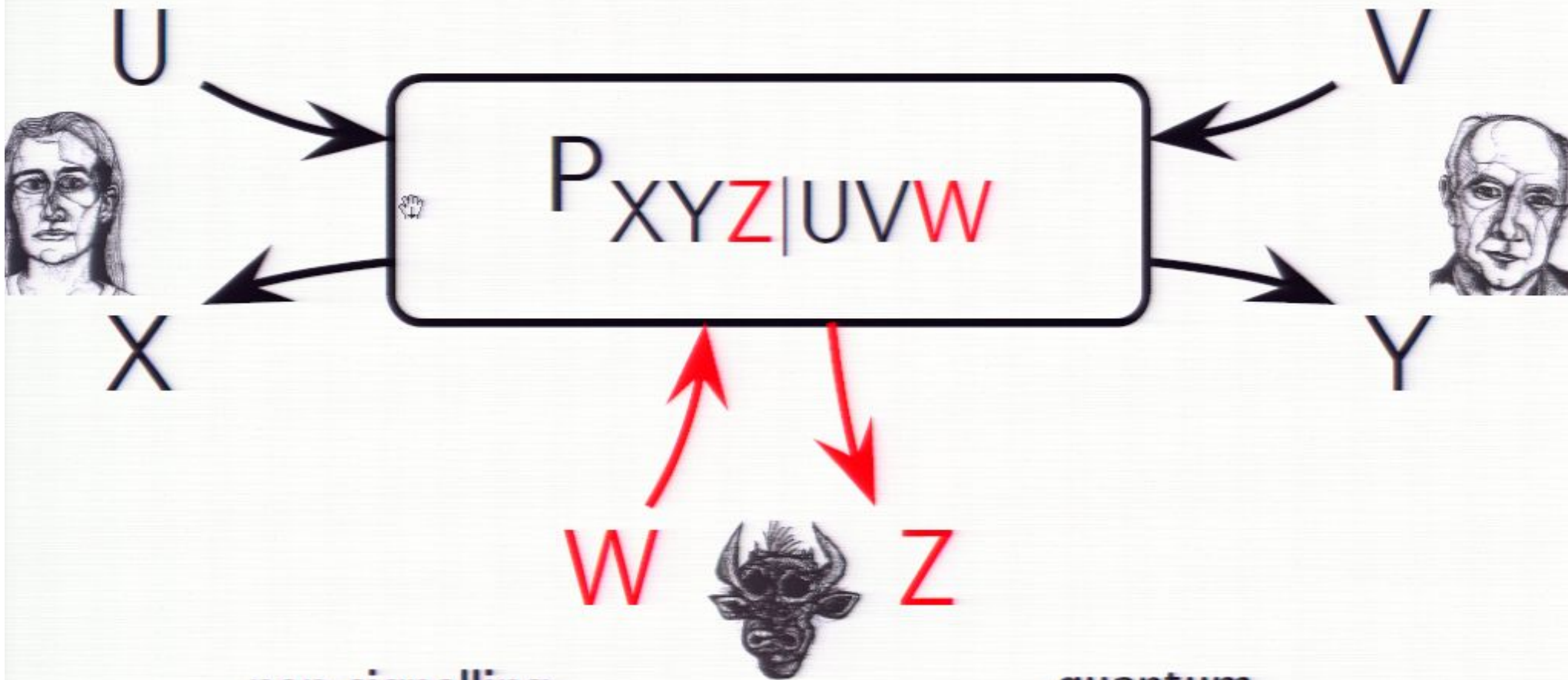
non-signalling

no message transmission

via physical device

[Barrett Hardy Kent 05]

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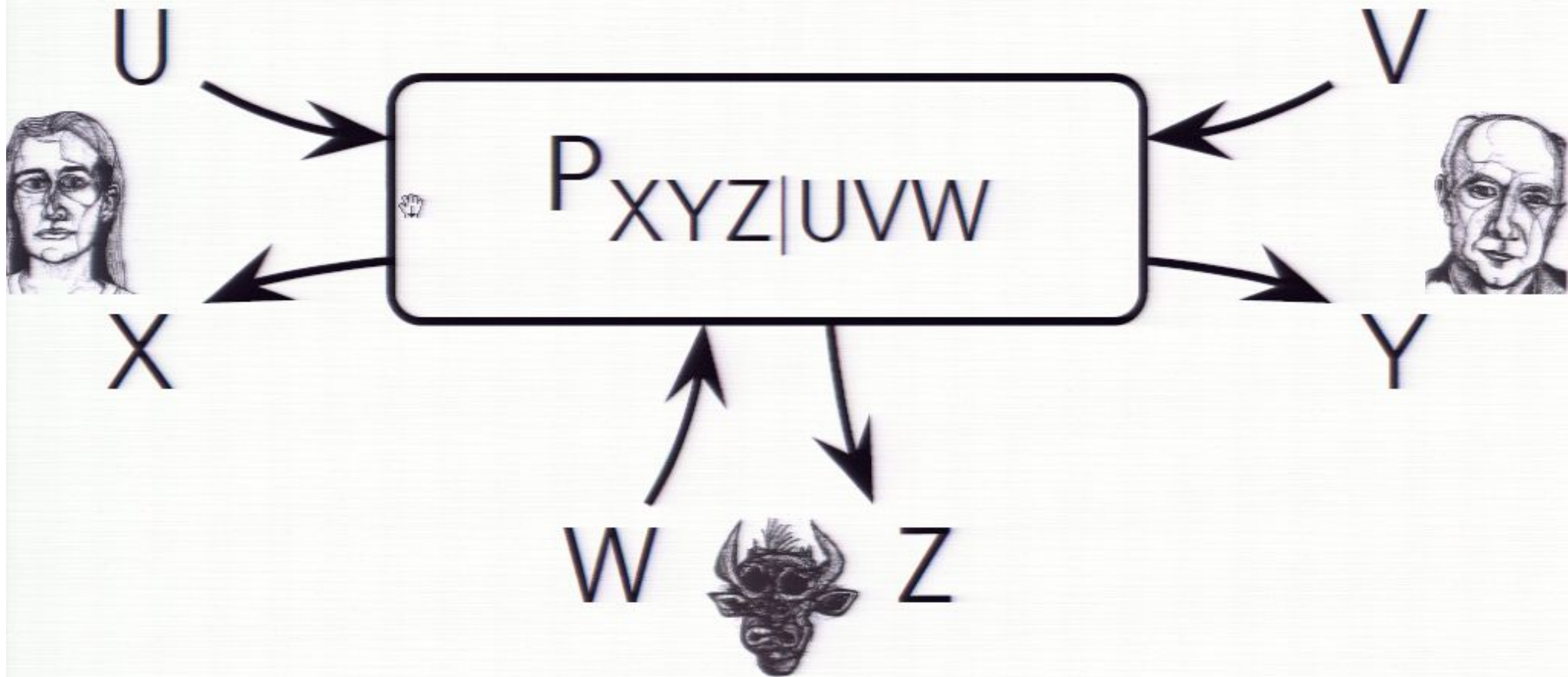
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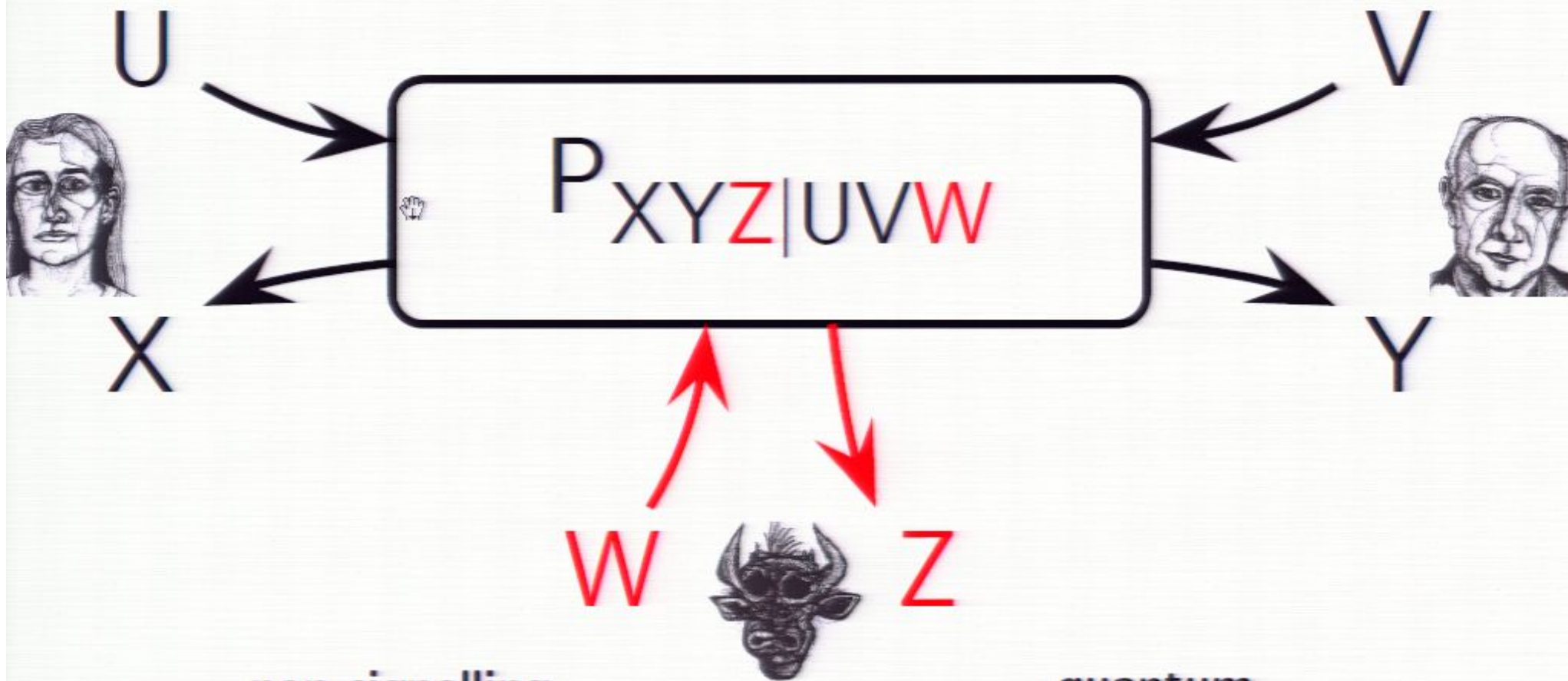
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measuring a quantum state

[Mayers Yao 98]

Modelling Attacks



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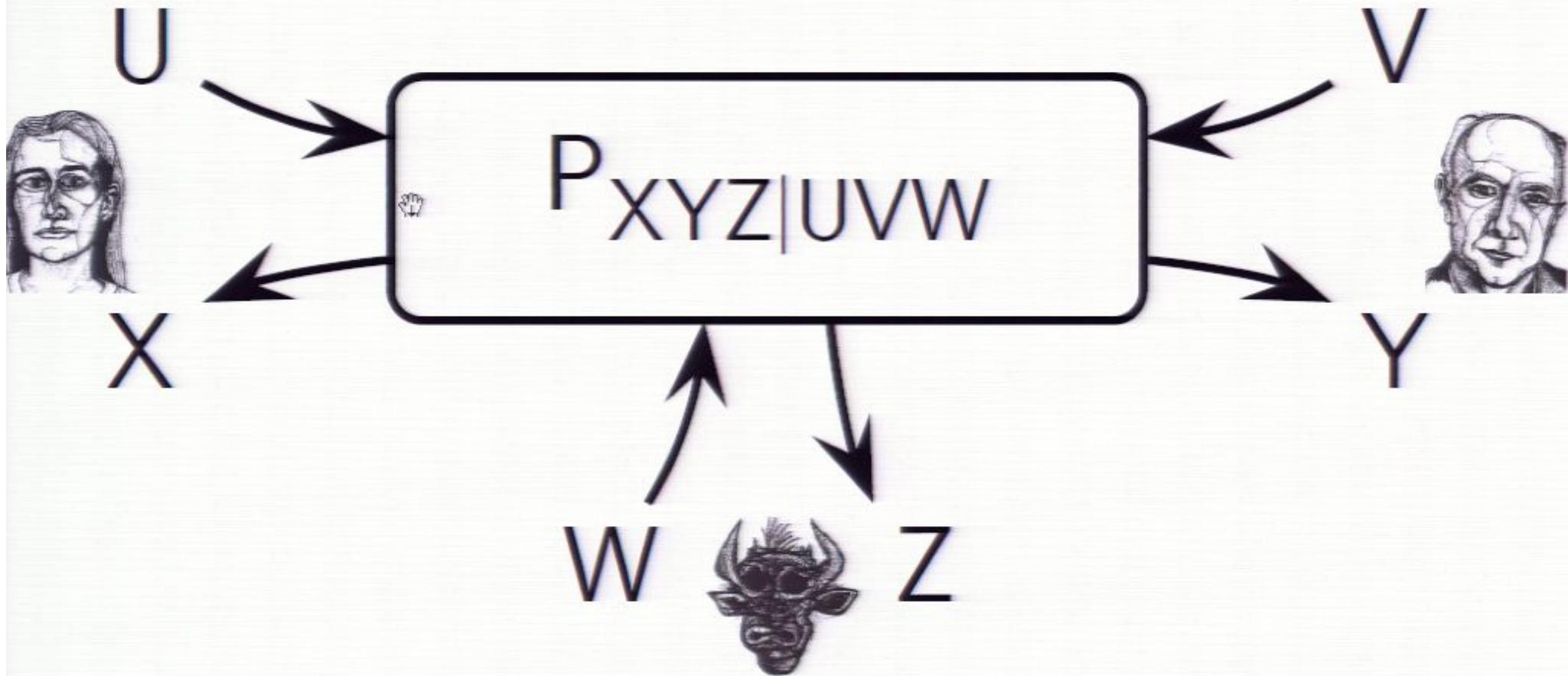
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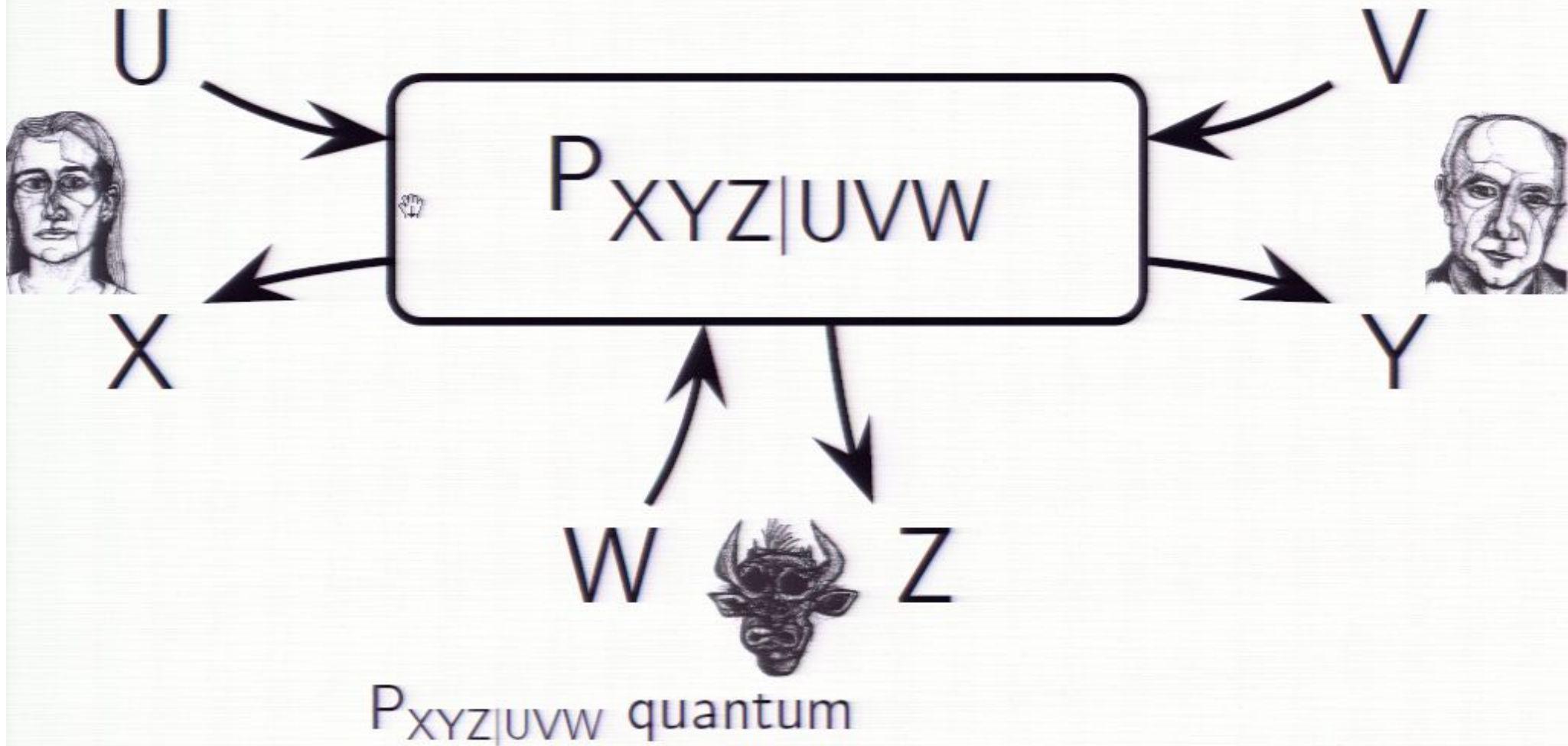
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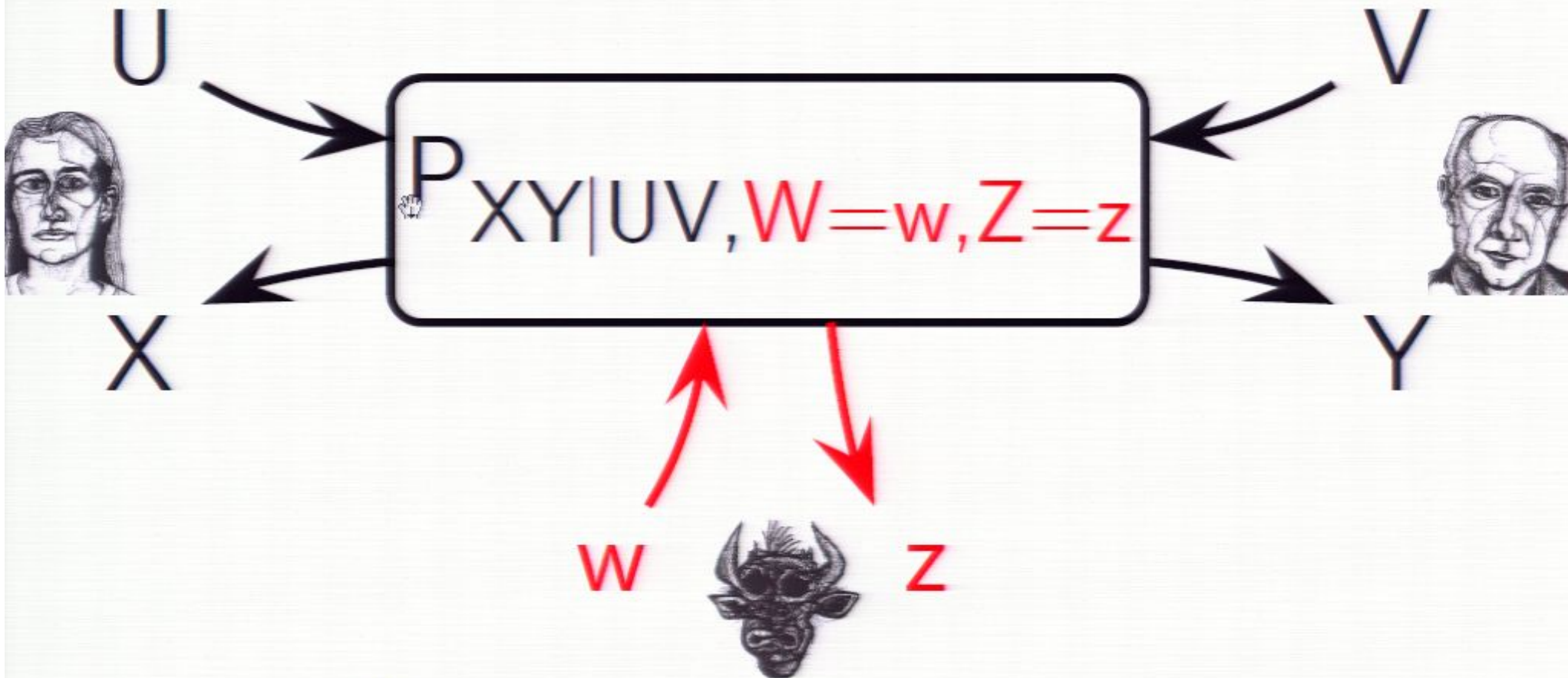
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$P_{XYZ|UVW}$ quantum

$\Rightarrow P_{XY|UV,W=w,Z=z}$ quantum

Modelling Attacks

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \end{array} = p^{z_0} \cdot \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 2} \end{array} + p^{z_1} \cdot \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 3} \end{array}$$

The diagrams consist of rectangular boxes with four arrows pointing towards them from the left and right sides. The first box is empty. The second box contains the text z_0 in red. The third box contains the text z_1 in red.

$$P_{XY|UV} = p(z_0|w) \cdot \underset{\text{quantum}}{P_{XY|UV, W=w, Z=z_0}} + p(z_1|w) \cdot \underset{\text{quantum}}{P_{XY|UV, W=w, Z=z_1}}$$

Modelling Attacks

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$$\text{max: } P(X=z)$$

$$\text{s.t.: } \sum_z P_{XY|UV, W=w, Z=z} = P_{XY|UV}$$

$$P_{XY|UV, W=w, Z=z} \text{ quantum}$$

Modelling Attacks

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$$P_{XY|UV} = p(z_0|w) \cdot \underset{\substack{\text{quantum} \\ \text{SDP}}}{P_{XY|UV, W=w, Z=z_0}} + p(z_1|w) \cdot \underset{\text{quantum}}{P_{XY|UV, W=w, Z=z_1}}$$

[Navascués, Pironio, Acín 07]

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Modelling Attacks

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$$P_{XY|UV} = p(z_0|w) \cdot P_{XY|UV, W=w, Z=z_0} + p(z_1|w) \cdot P_{XY|UV, W=w, Z=z_1}$$

~~quantum~~

SDP

quantum

[Navascués, Pironio, Acín 07]

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{max:} & b^T \cdot \Gamma \\ \text{s.t.:} & A \cdot \Gamma = c \\ & \Gamma \succeq 0 \end{array}$$

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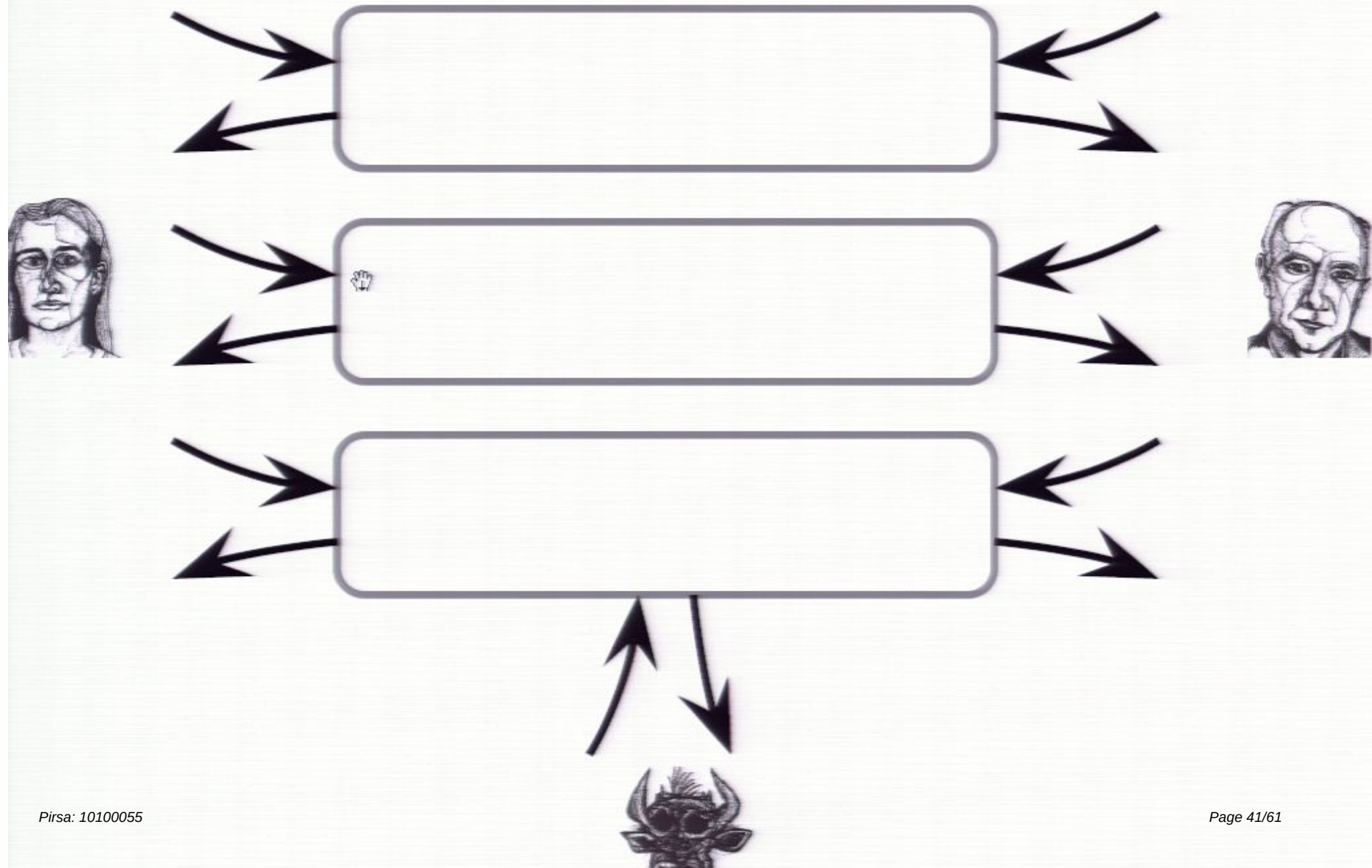
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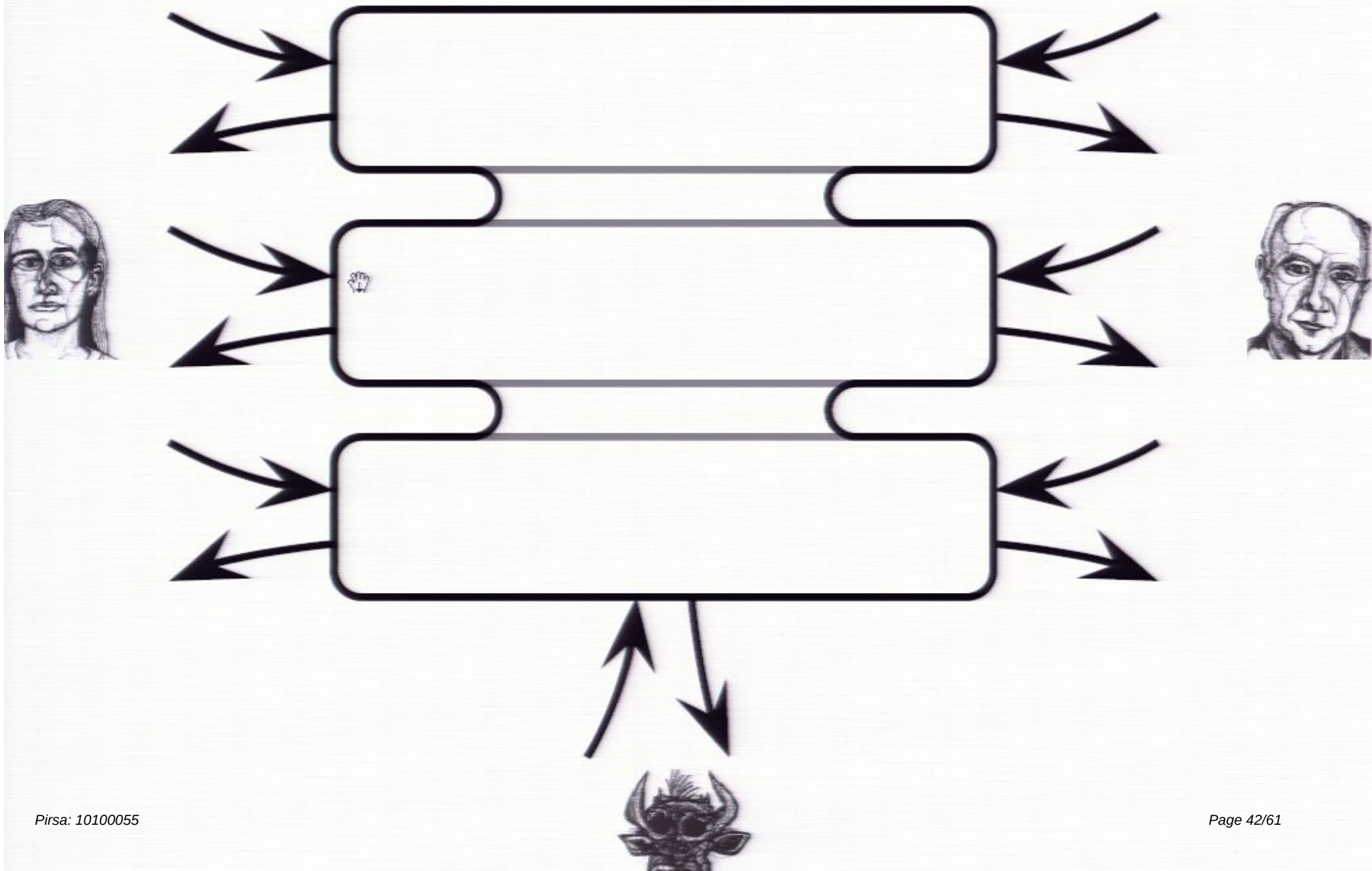
$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{min:} & c^T \cdot \lambda \\ \text{s.t.:} & A^T \cdot \lambda \preceq b \end{array}$$

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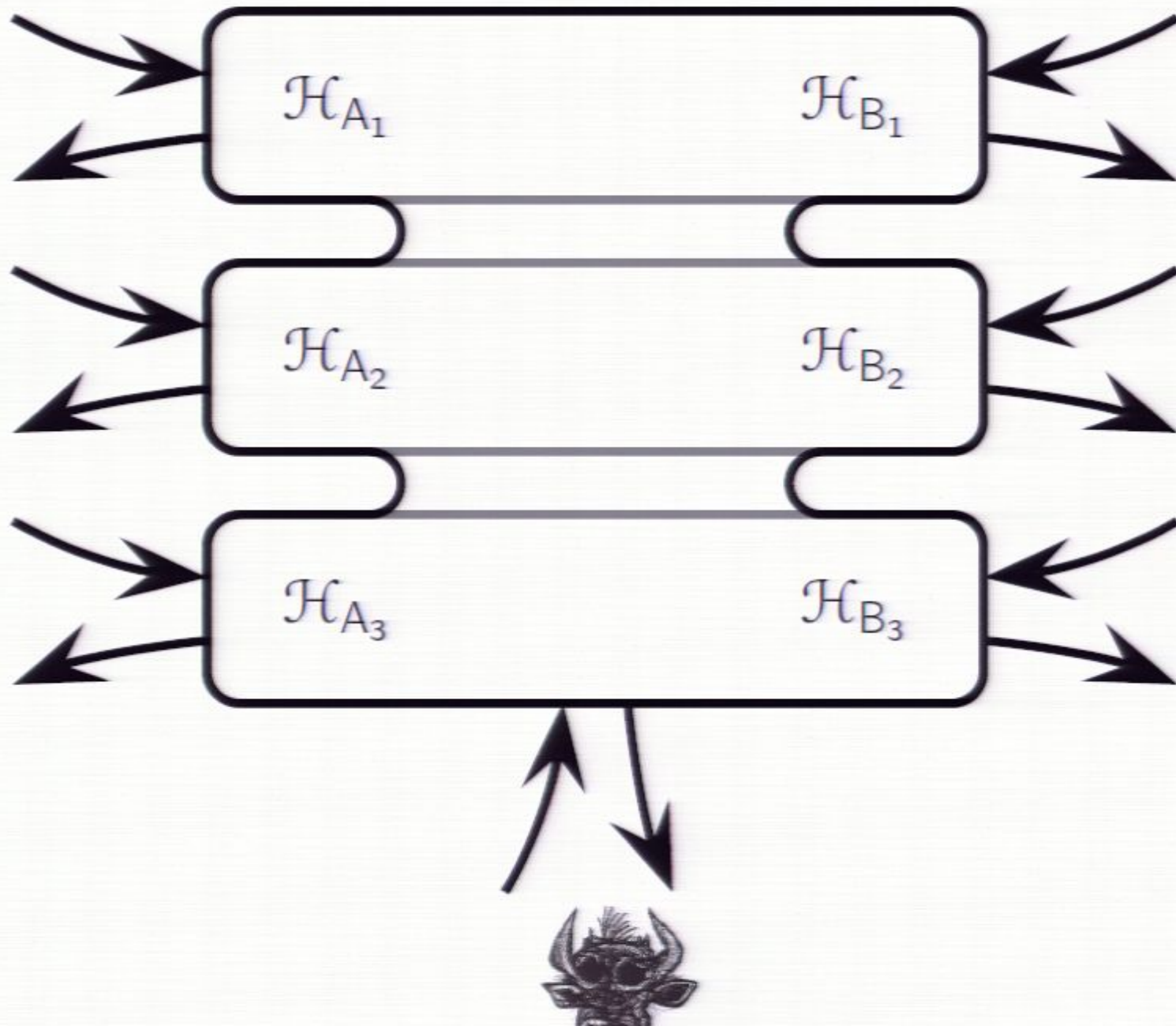
Coherent Attacks



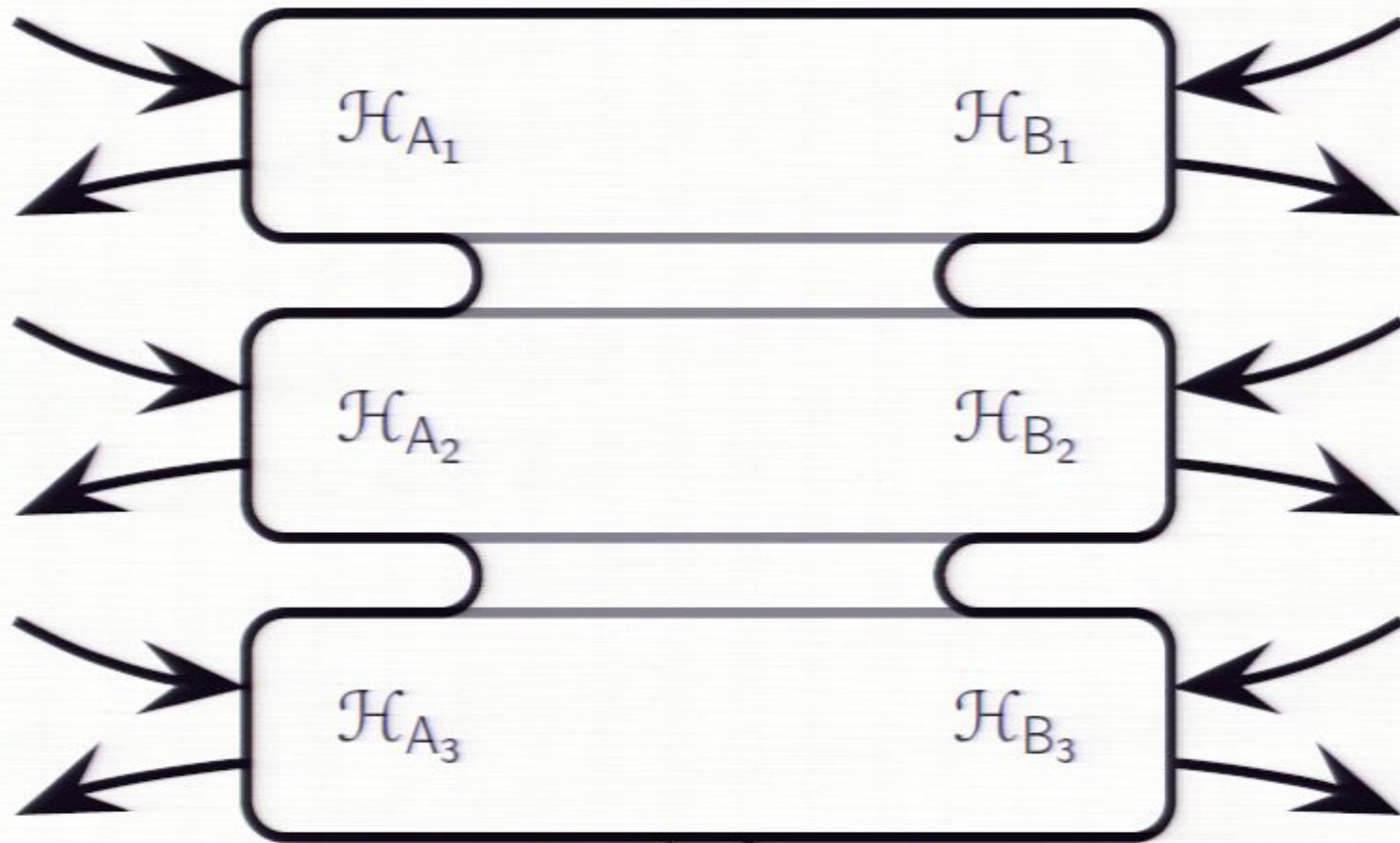
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Condition: measurements
on different
subsystems commute

Attacks on Several Systems

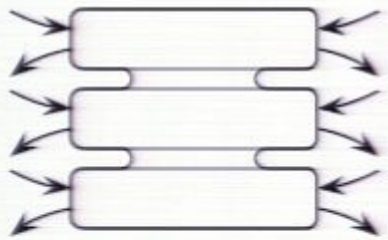


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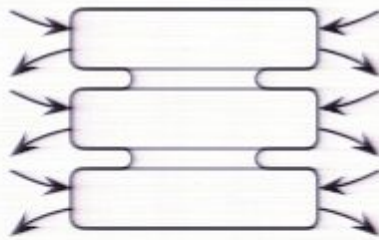
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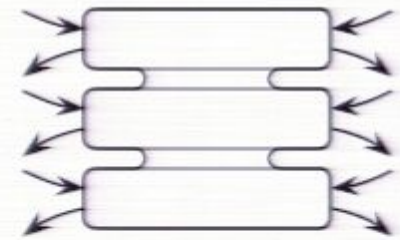
Attacks on Several Systems



$$= p^{z_0}.$$



$$+ p^{z_1}.$$

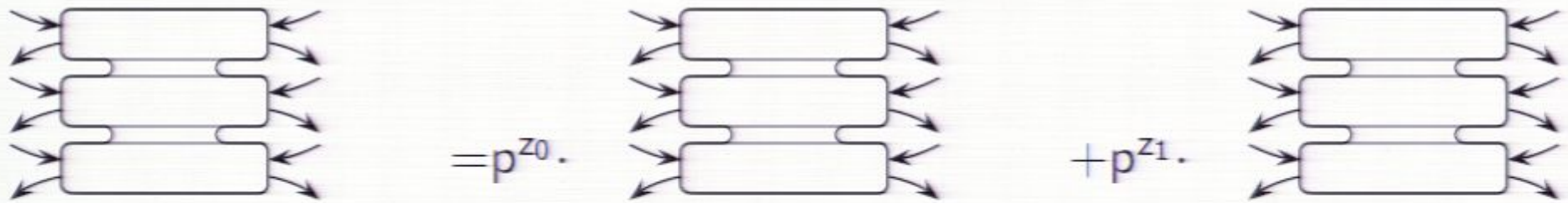


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Attacks on Several Systems



Condition
[HR 10]

$$\begin{aligned} \max: & \quad b^{\top \otimes n} \cdot \Gamma \\ \text{s.t.}: & \quad A^{\otimes n} \cdot \Gamma = c^{\otimes n} \\ & \quad \Gamma \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$P_{\text{guess}} \leq$$

$$P_{\text{guess single}}^n =$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min: & \quad c^{\top \otimes n} \cdot \lambda^{\otimes n} \\ \text{s.t.}: & \quad A^{\top \otimes n} \cdot \lambda^{\otimes n} \preceq b^{\otimes n} \end{aligned}$$

Protocol



Protocol



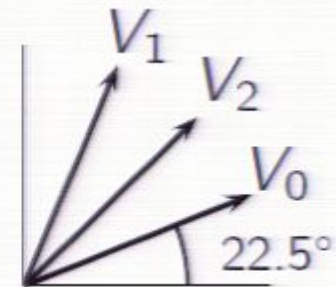
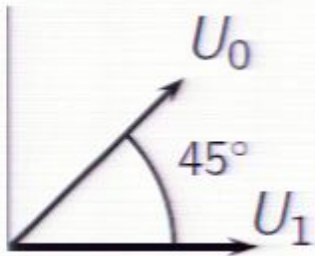
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Protocol



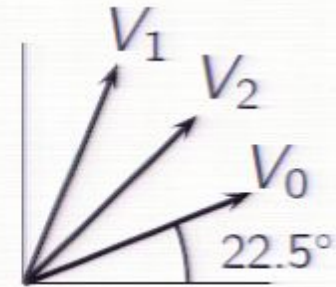
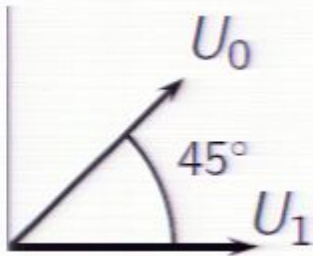
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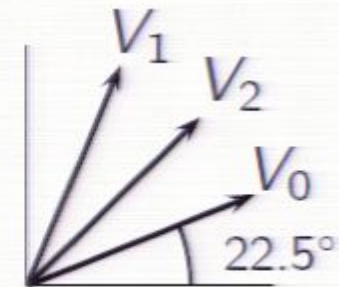
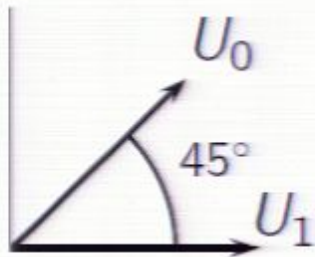
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estimate $P_{\text{guess single}}$ and error δ

Protocol



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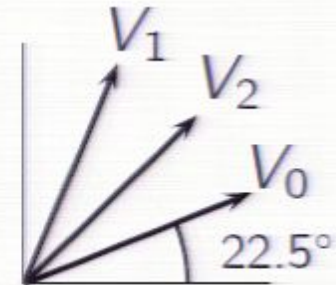
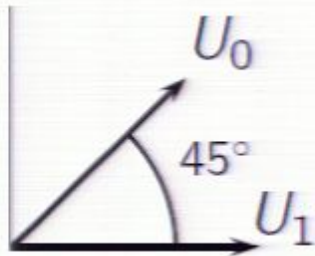
estimate $P_{\text{guess single}}$ and error δ

R [BS93, ILL89]: $m = f(X) \xrightarrow{m, f, |m| = n \cdot h(\delta)} Y' = f(X)$

Protocol



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$$



E:

estimate $P_{\text{guess single}}$ and error δ

R [BS93,ILL89]: $m=f(X) \xrightarrow{m, f, |m|=n \cdot h(\delta)} Y'=f(X)$

A [RK05]: $s=f'(X) \xrightarrow{f'} s'=f'(Y')$

Conclusion and Open questions

Device-independent QKD possible under additional condition on subsystems

- coherent attack $\approx$ individual attack
- secure against the most general adversary
- composable security

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