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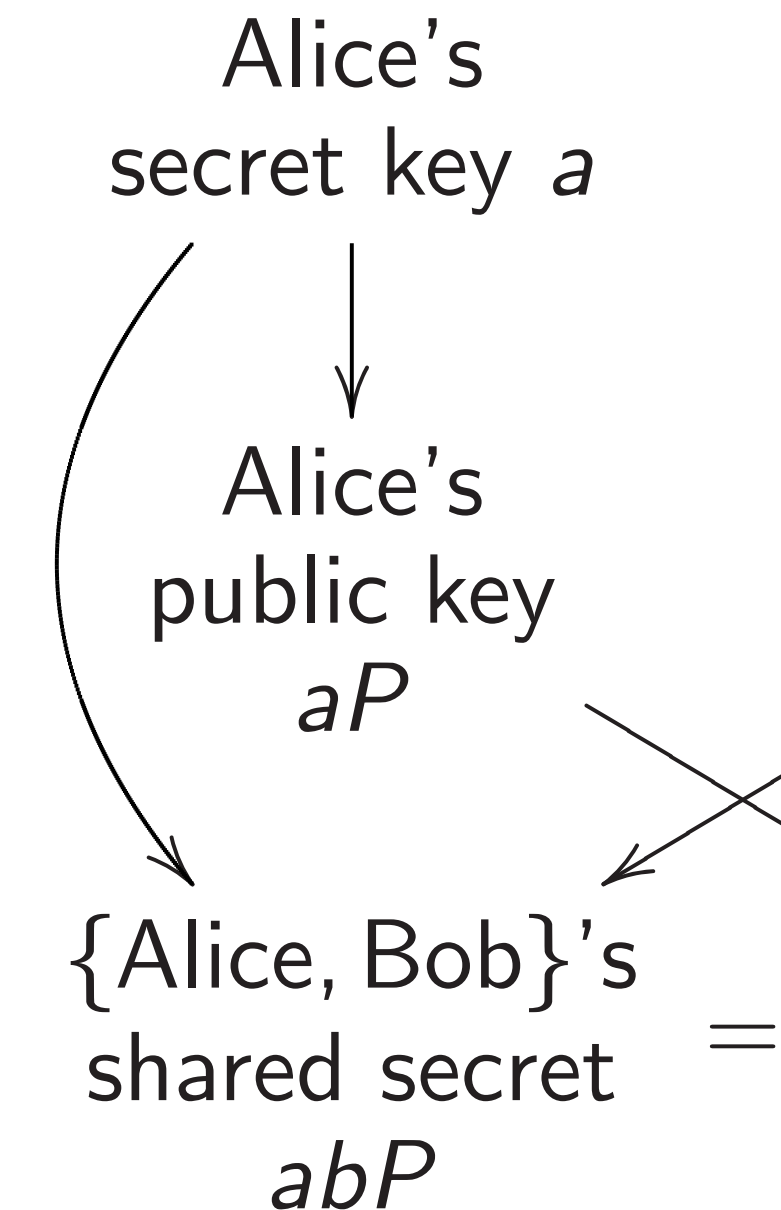
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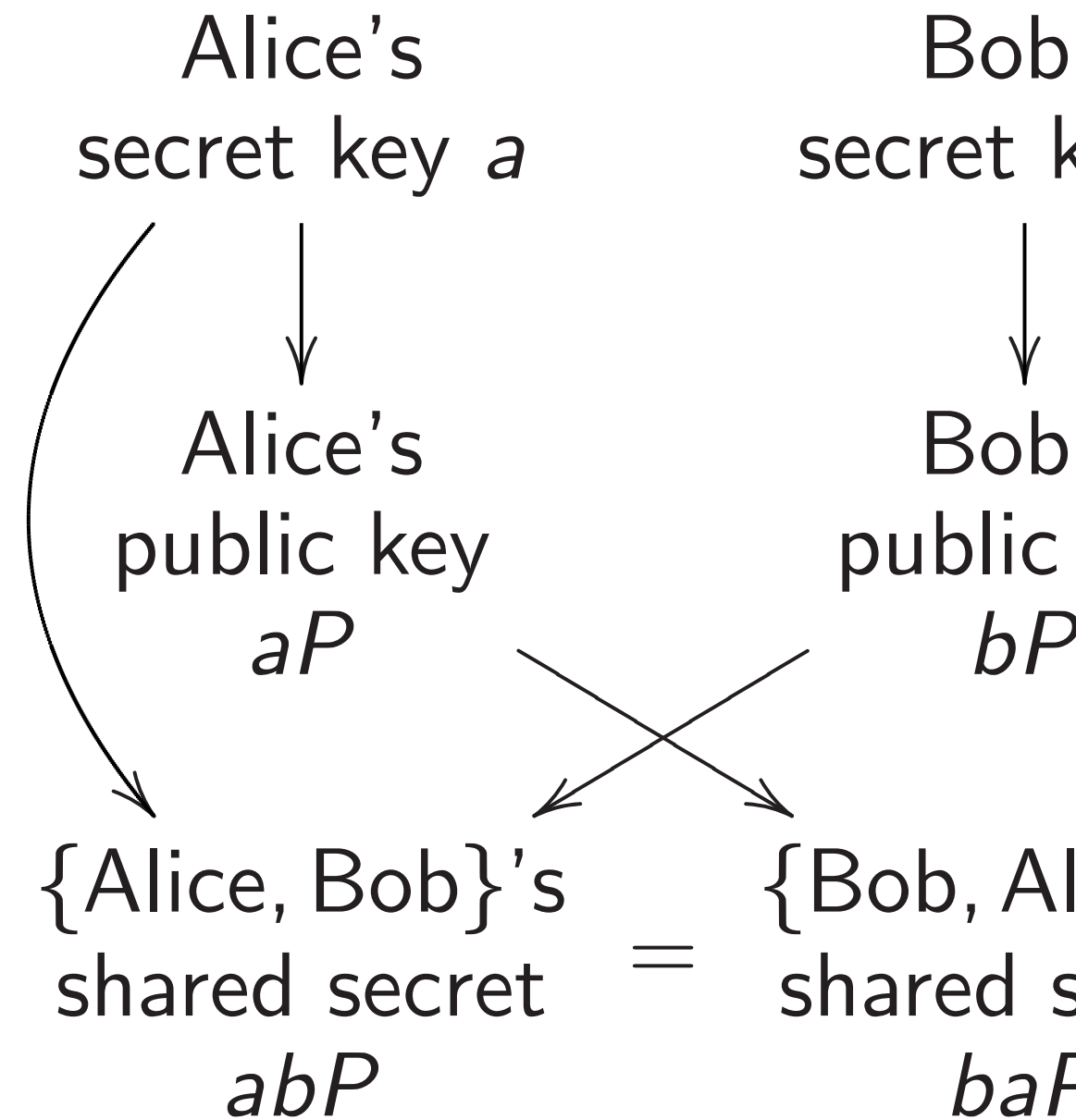
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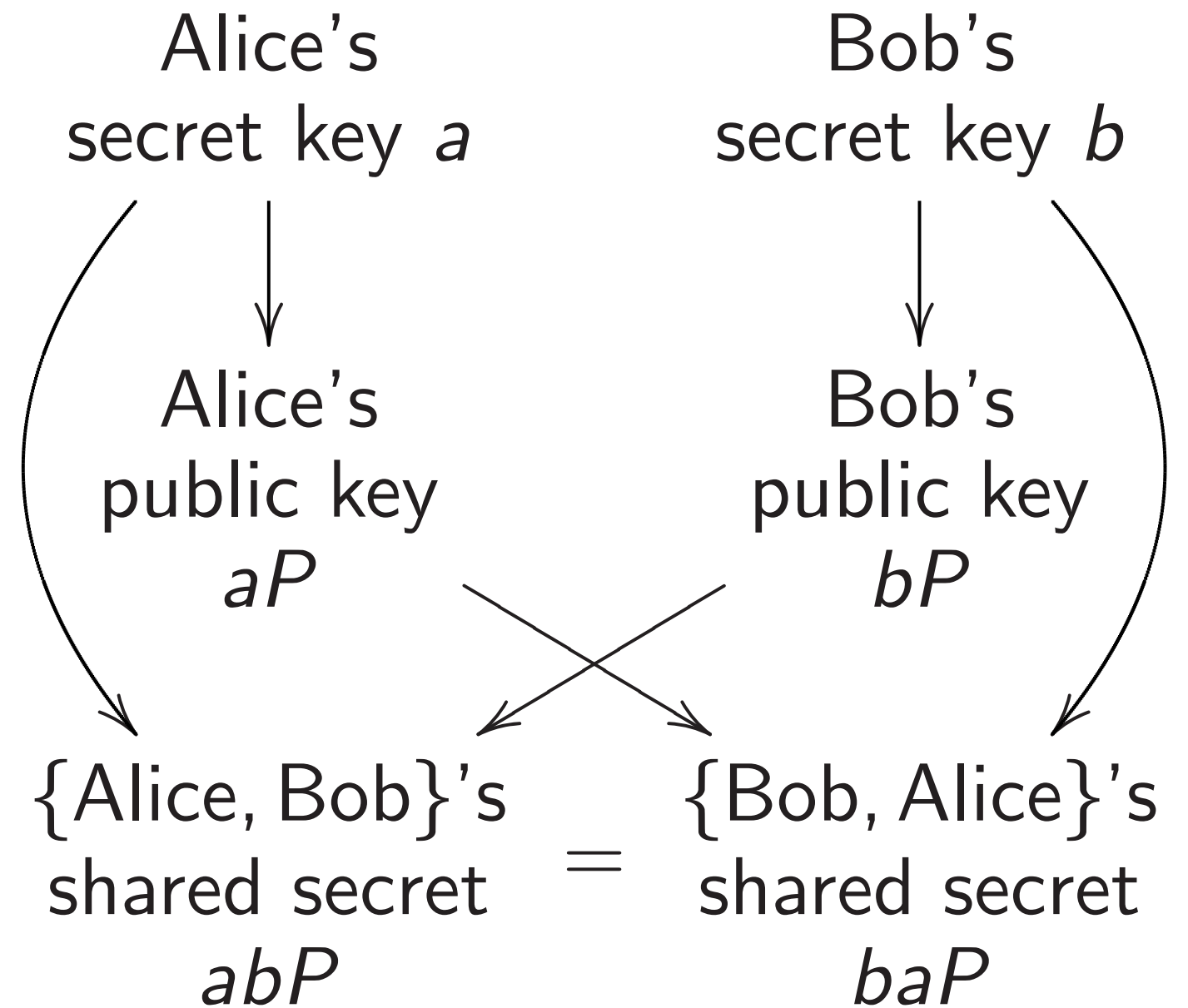
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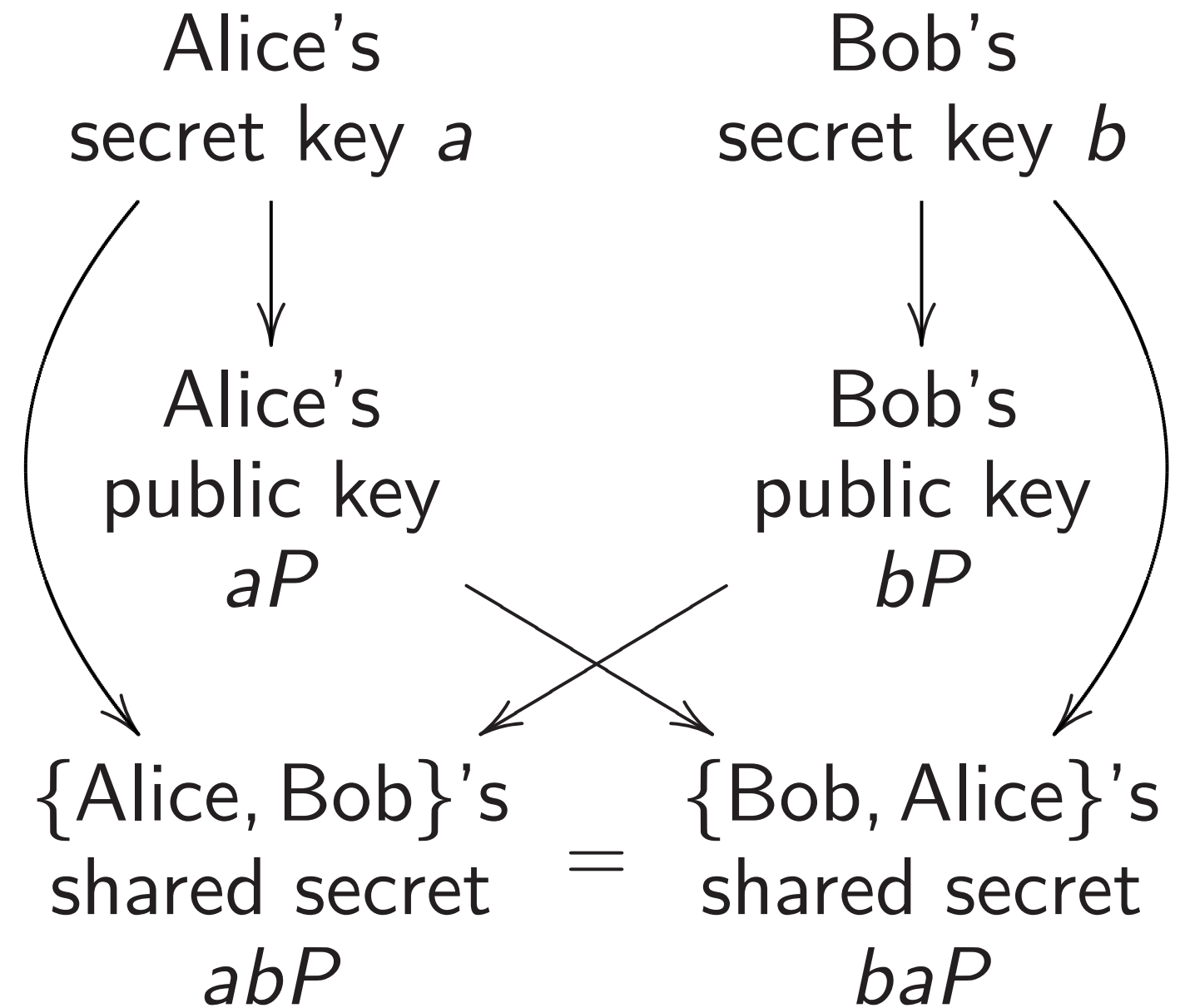
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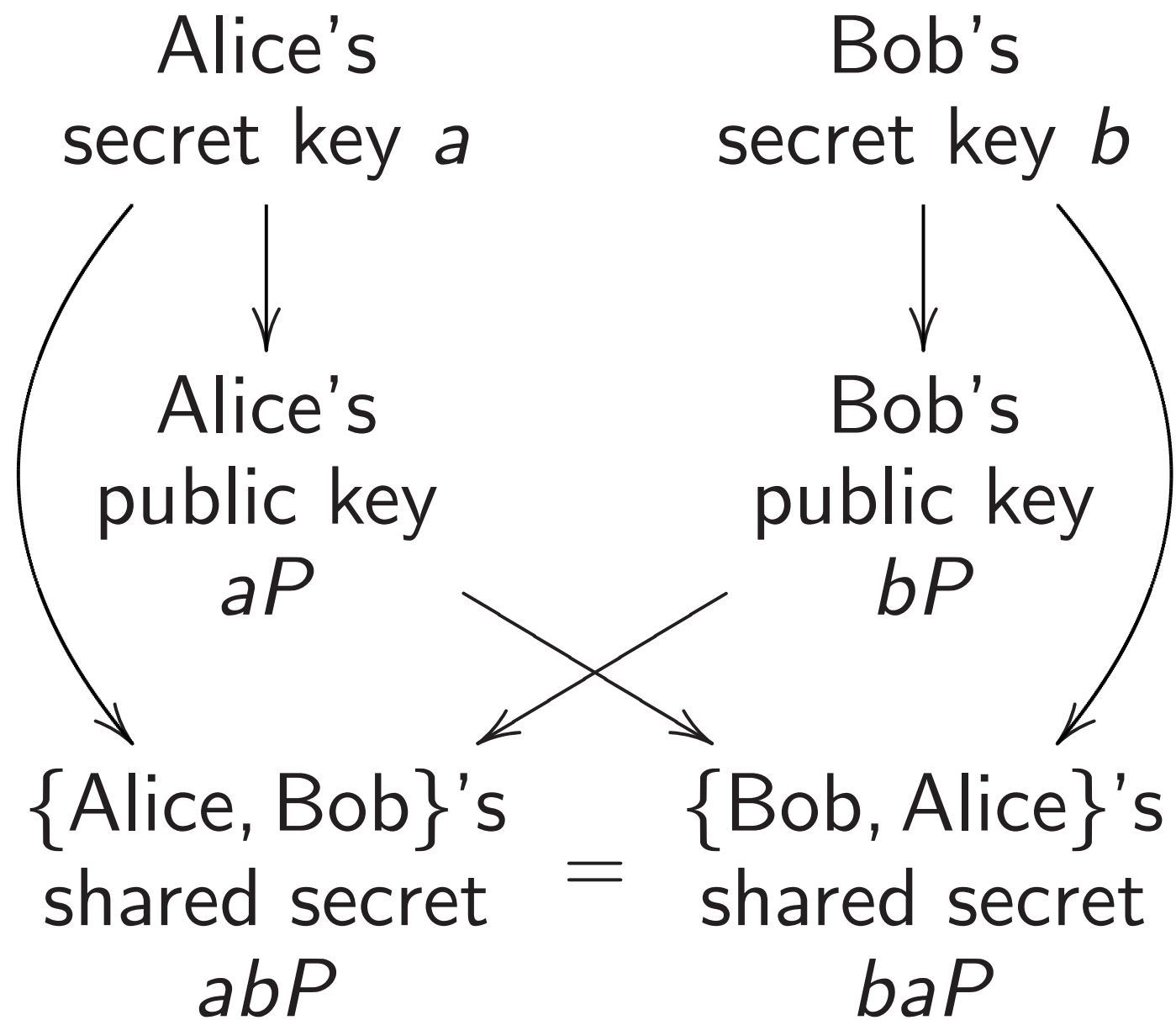
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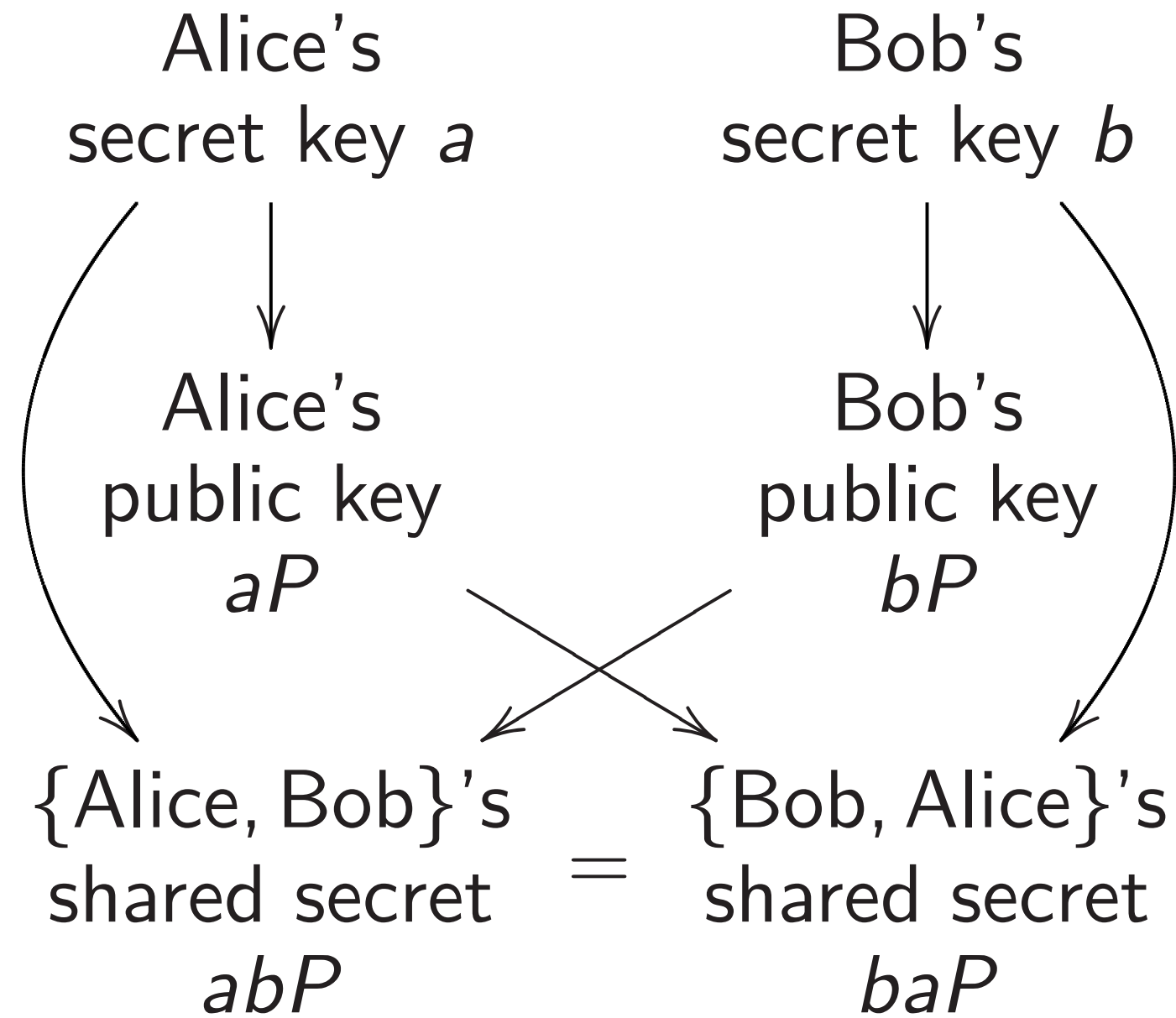
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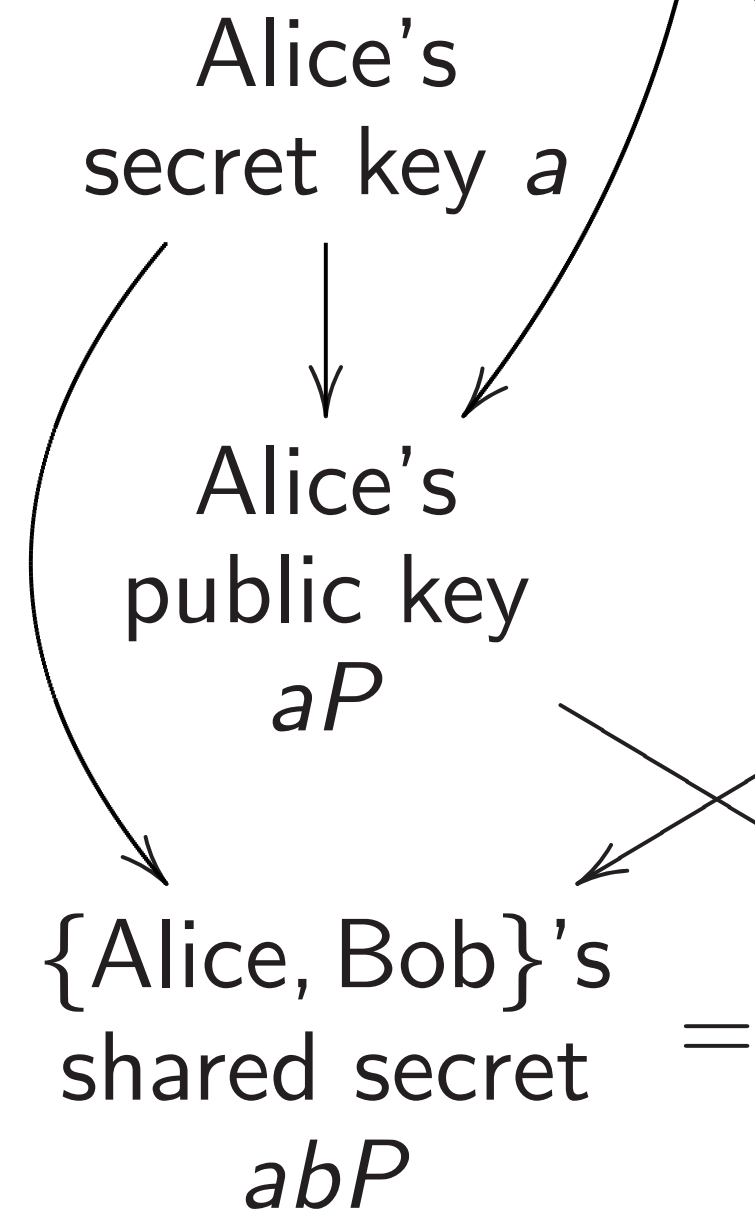
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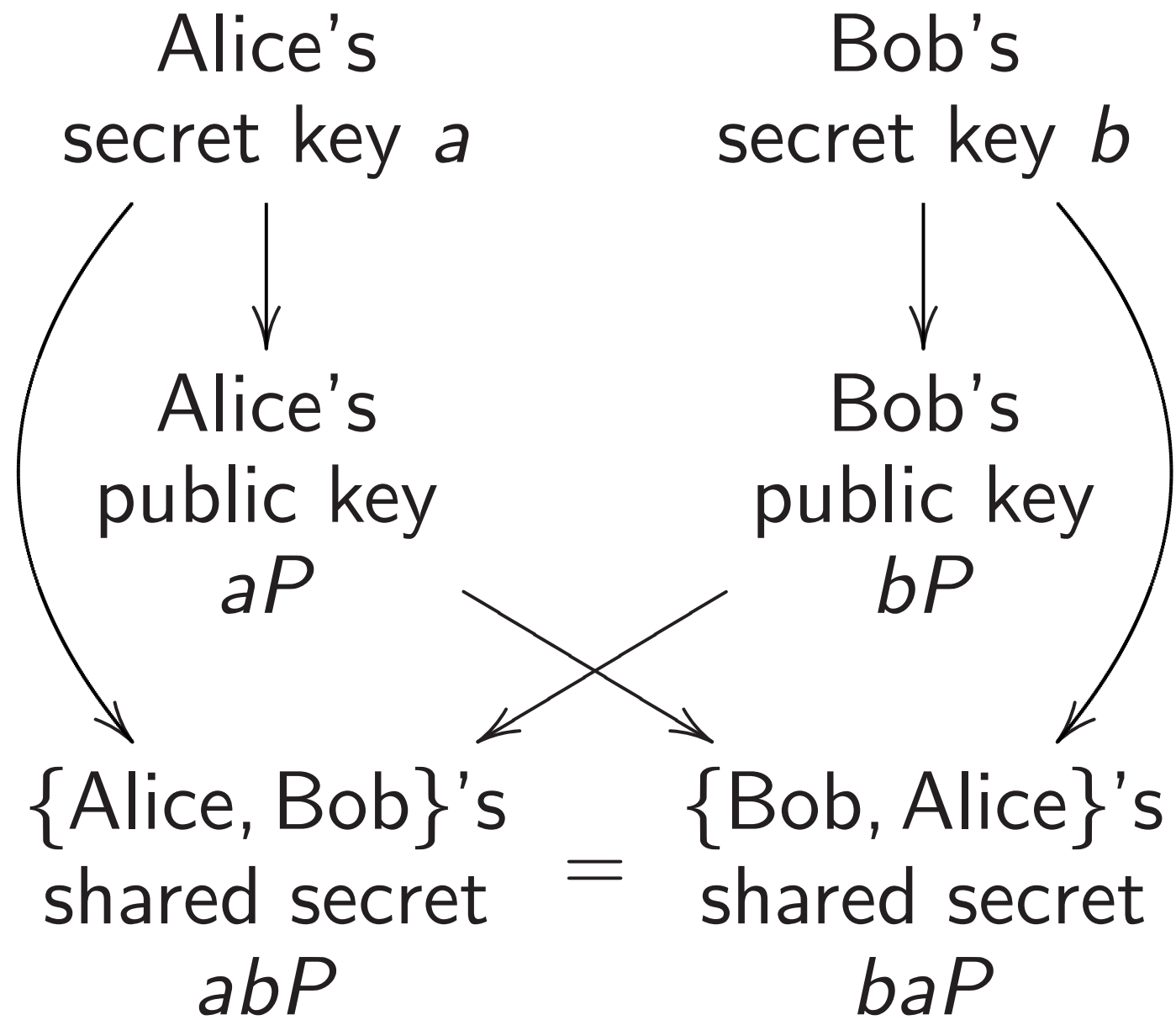
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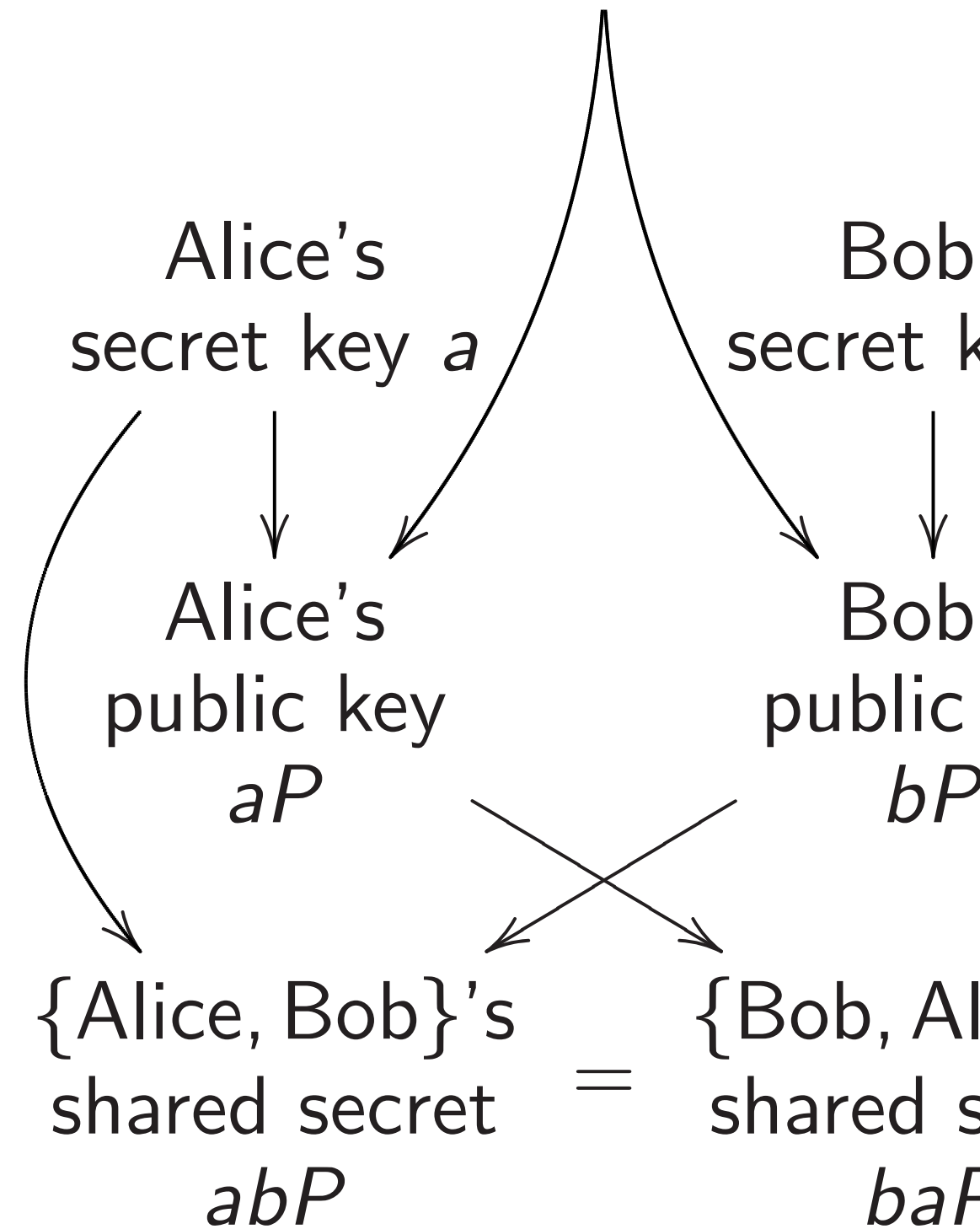
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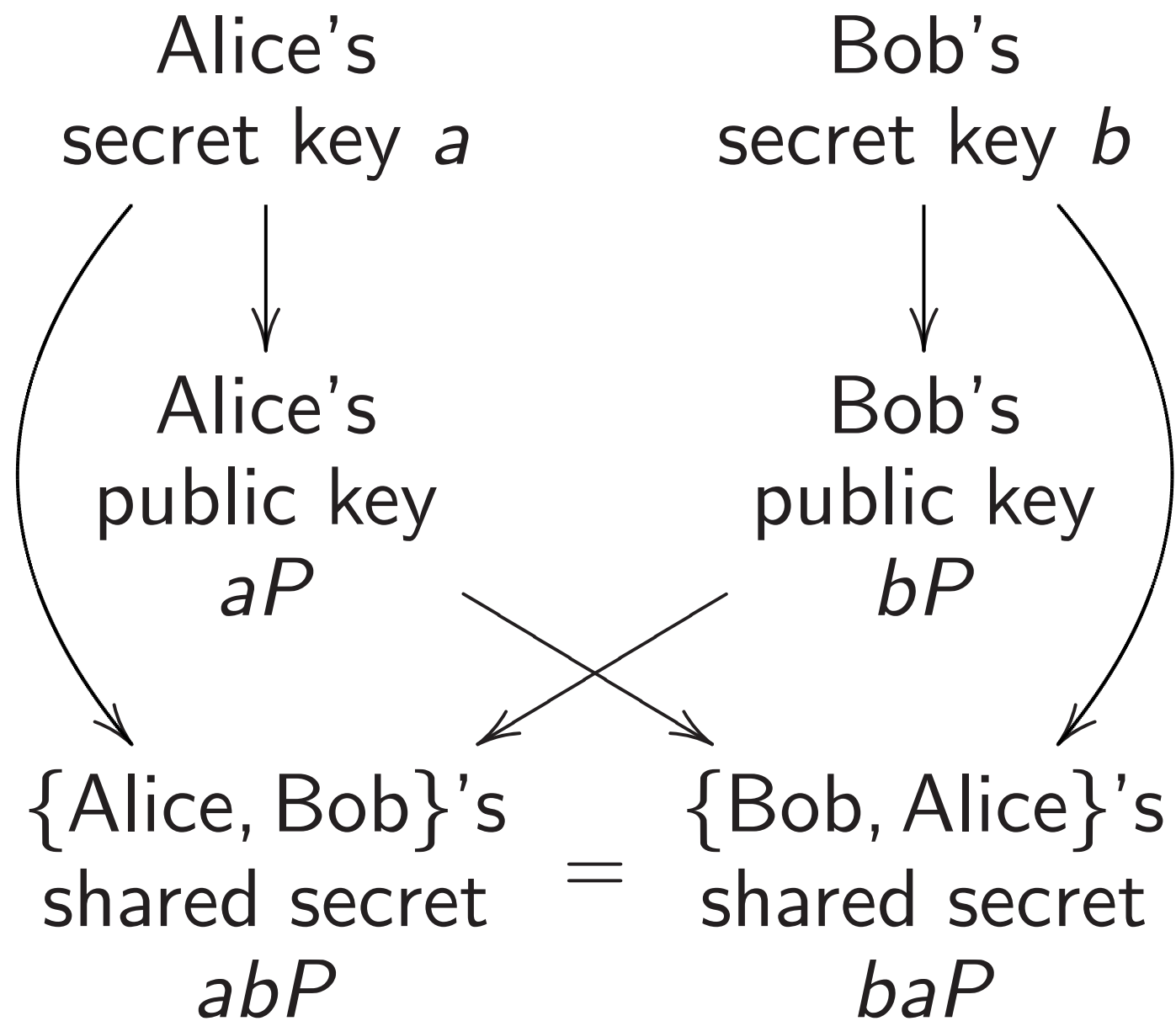
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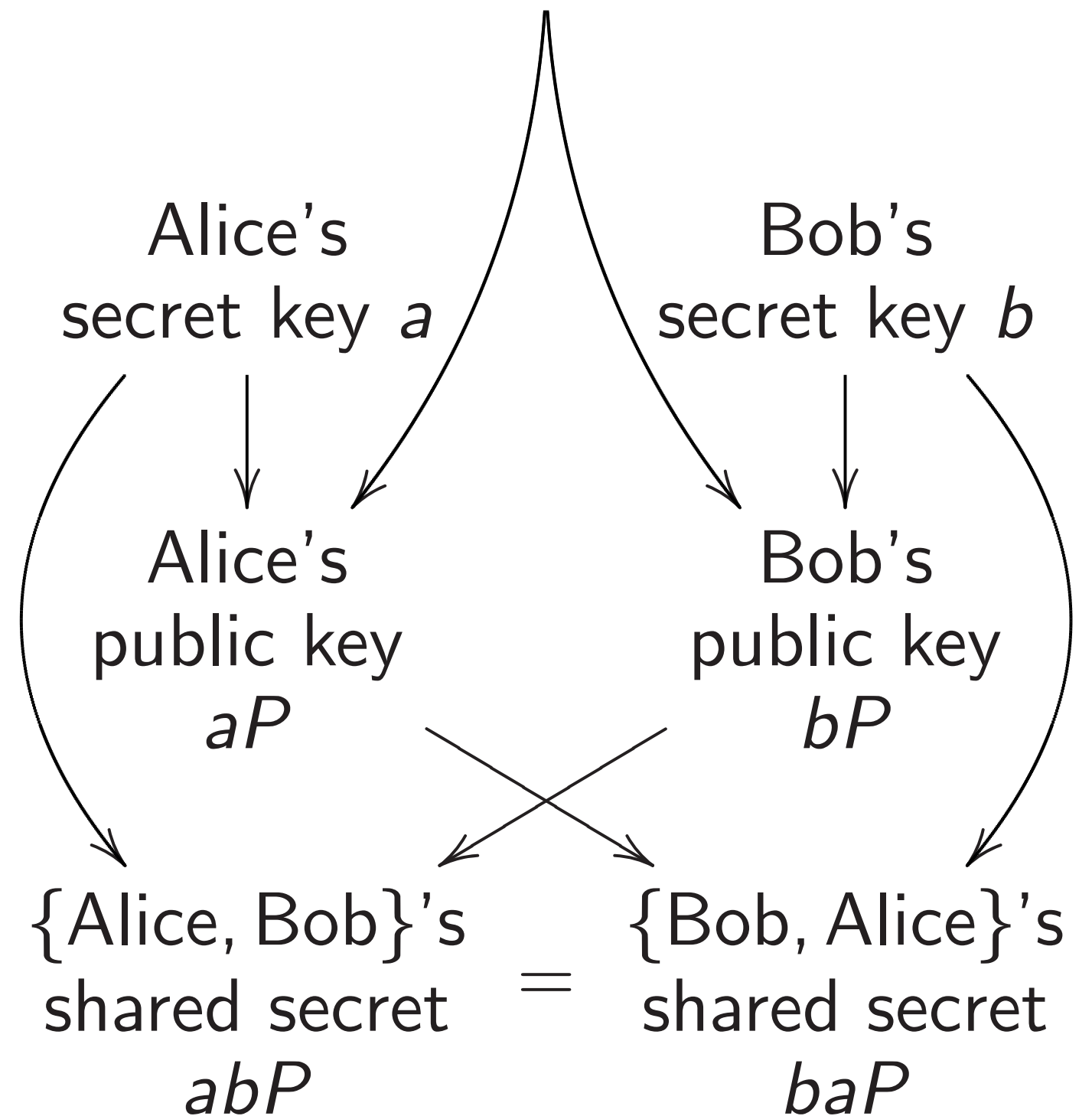
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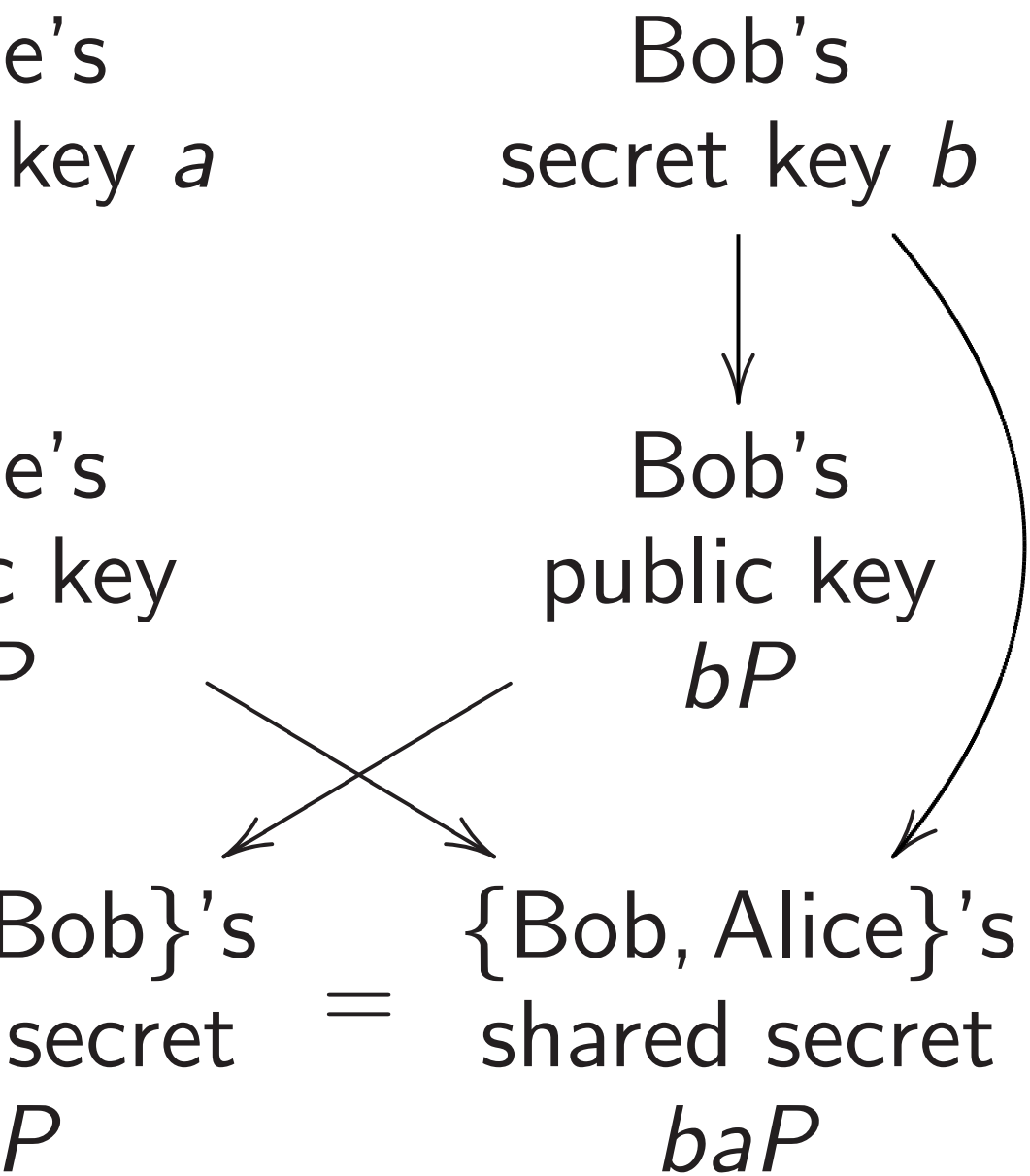


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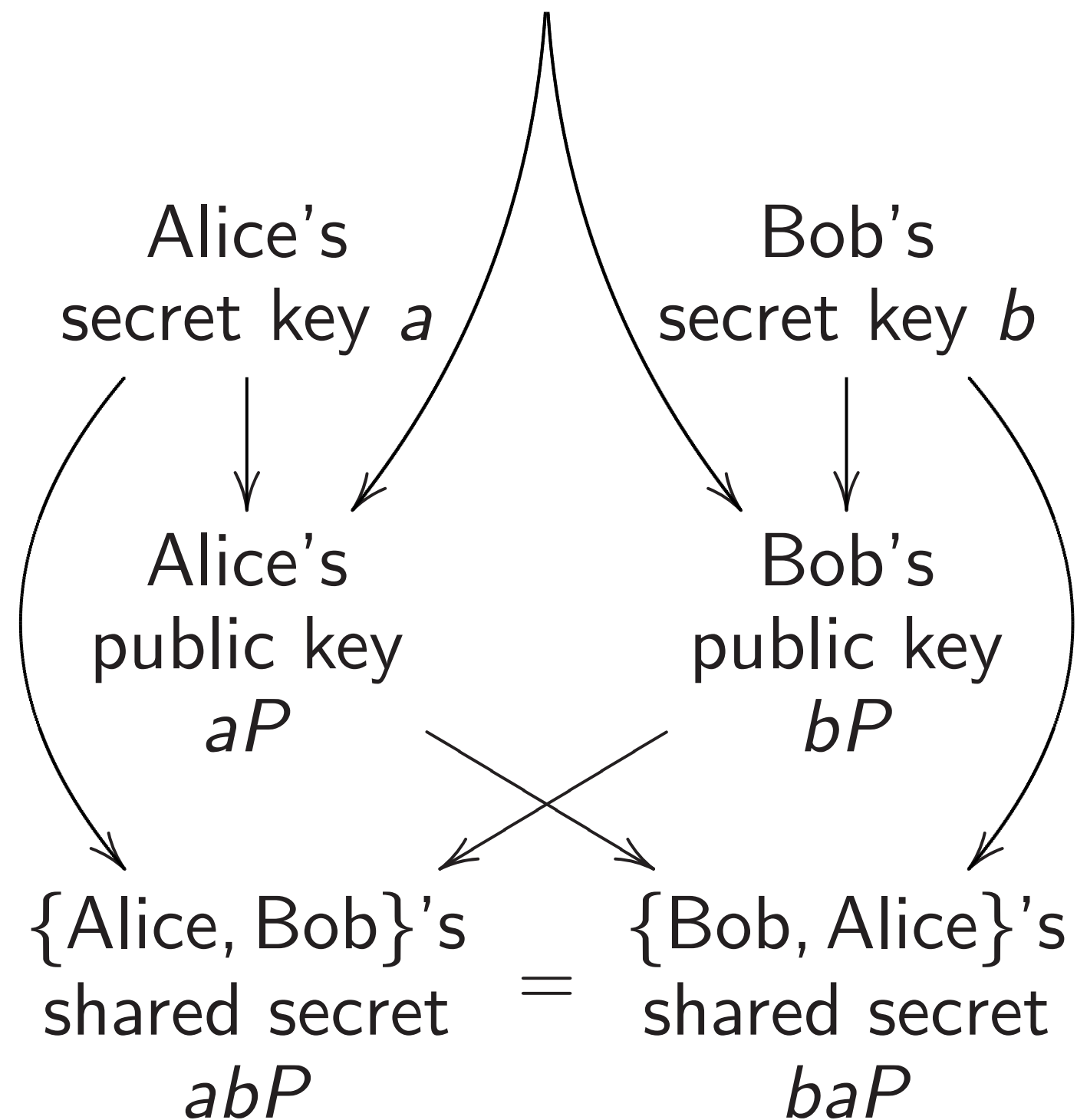
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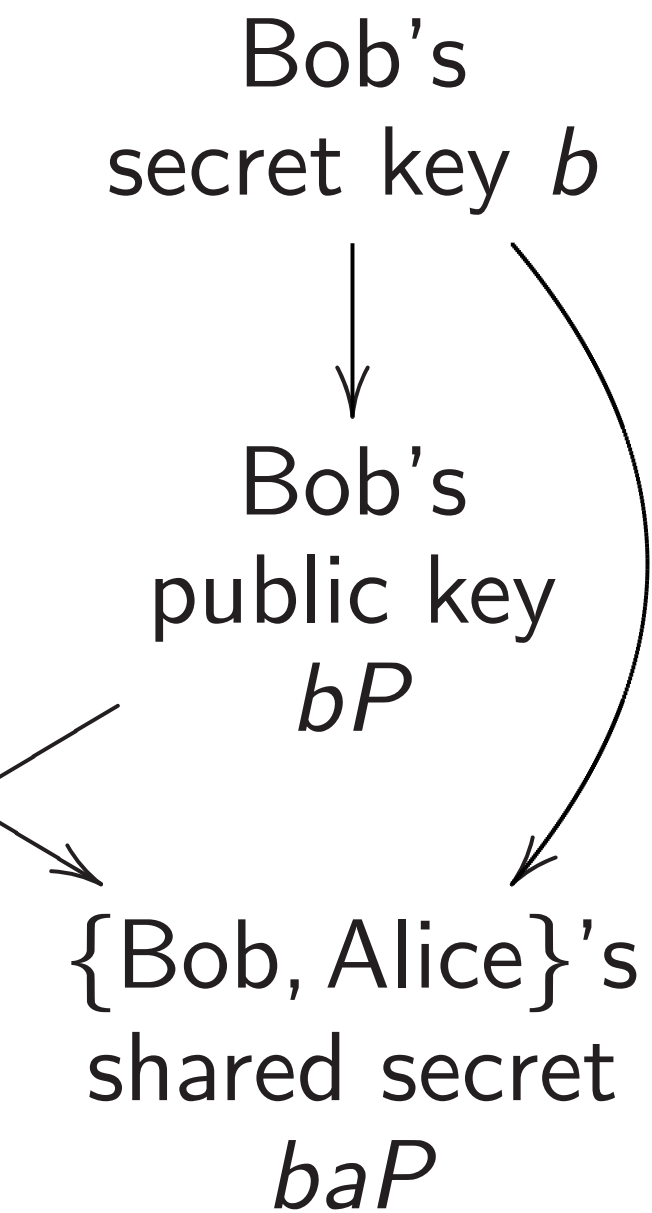
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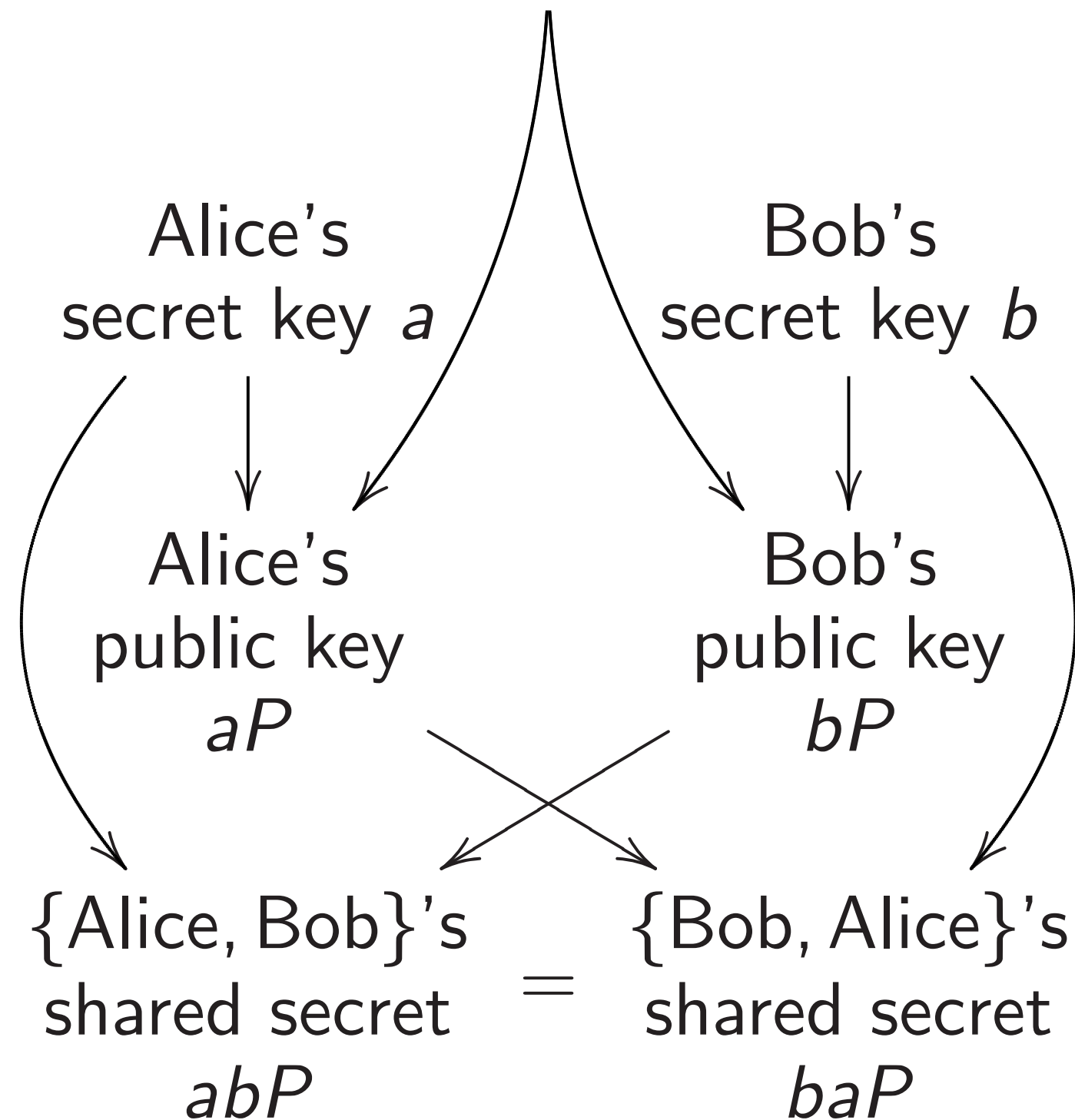
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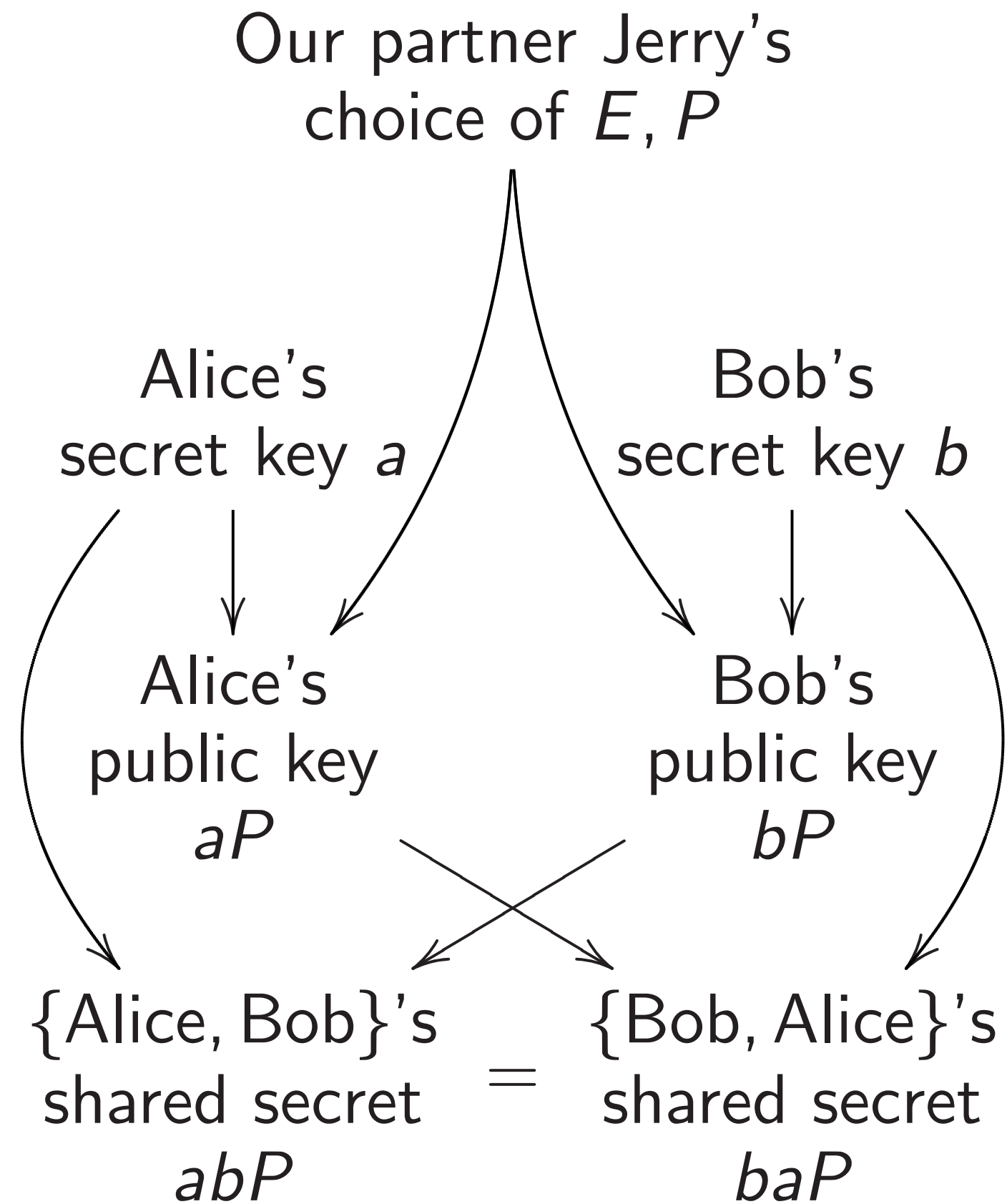
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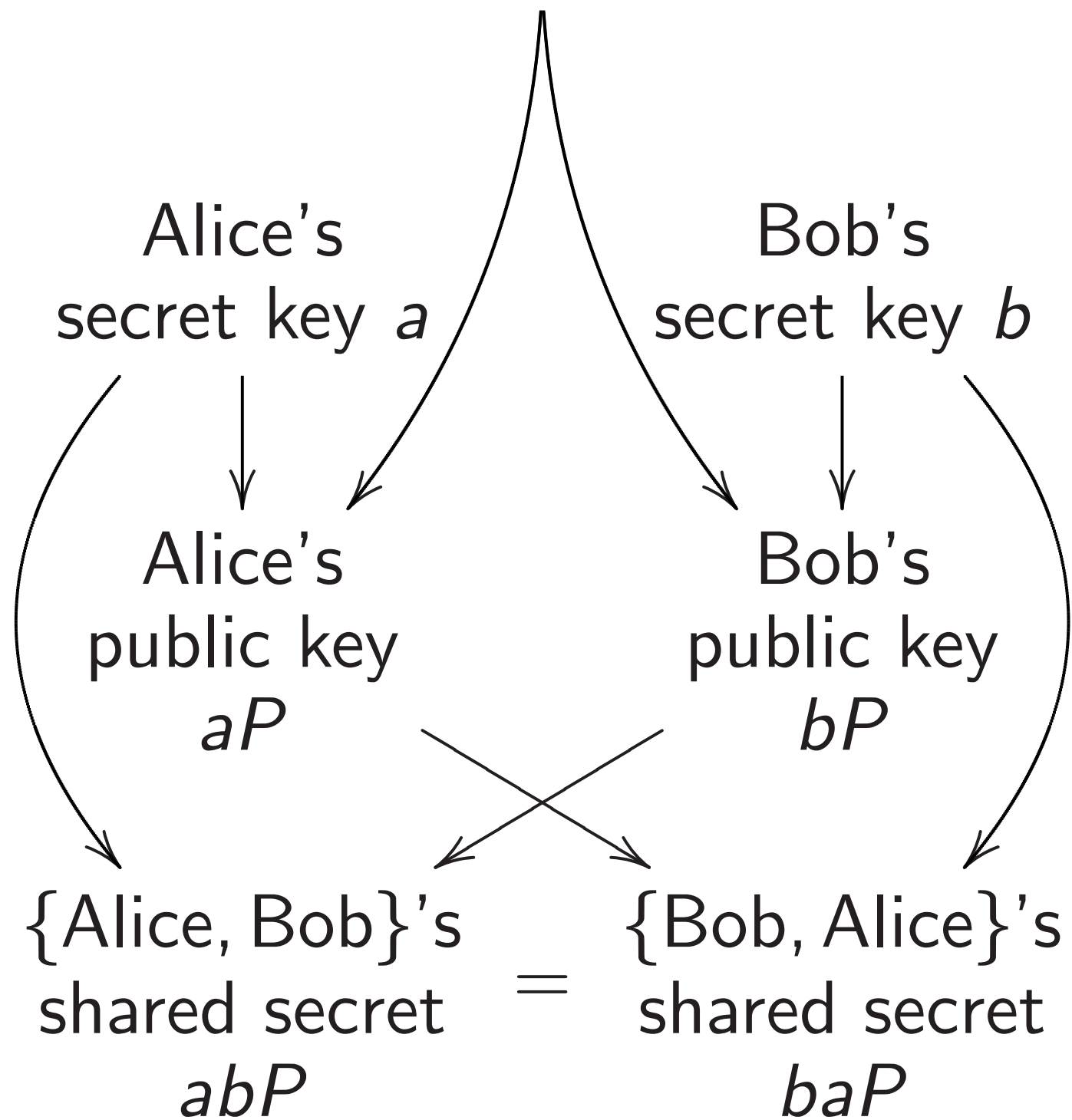
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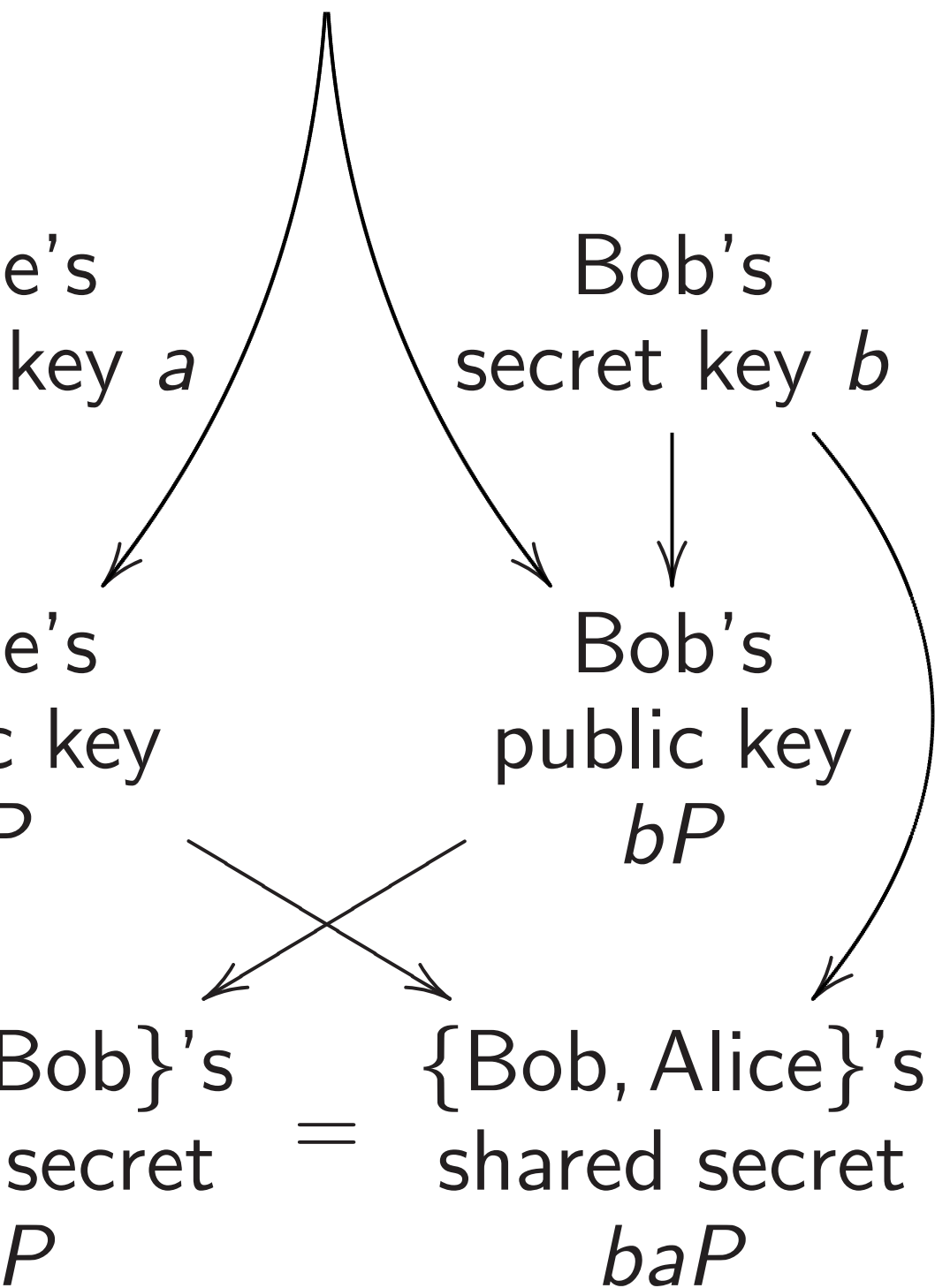
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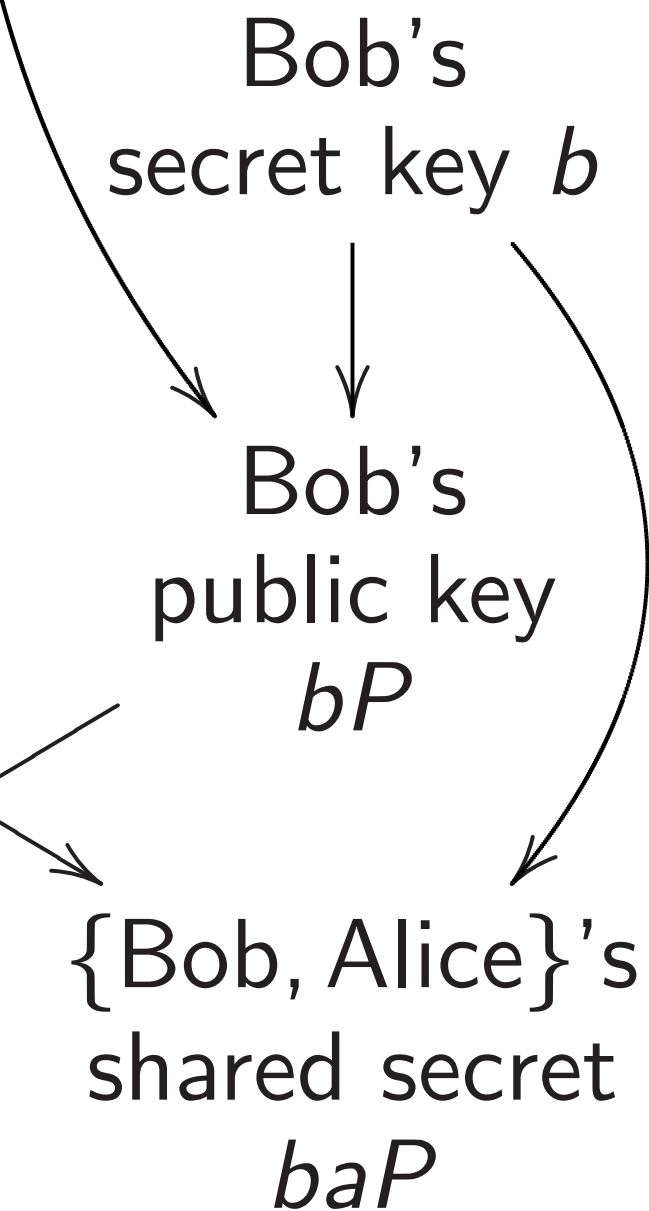
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## One final example

2005 Brainpool standard:

“The choice of the seeds from which the [NIST] curve parameters have been derived is not motivated leaving an essential part of the security analysis open.

... **Verifiably pseudo-random.**

The [Brainpool] curves shall be generated in a pseudo-random manner using seeds that are generated in a systematic and comprehensive way.”

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import hashlib
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seedbytes = 20

p = 0xD7C134AA264366862A18302575D1D787B09F075797DA89F57EC8C0FF
k = GF(p); R.<x> = k[]

def secure(A,B):
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def int2str(seed,bytes):
    return ''.join([chr((seed//256^i)%256) for i in reversed(range(bytes))])

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def update(seed):
    return int2str(str2int(seed) + 1,len(seed))

def fullhash(seed):
    return str2int(hash(seed) + hash(update(seed))) % 2^223

def real2str(seed,bytes):
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Next slide: a procedure that **does** generate the standard Brainpool curve.

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S = nums[2*seedby
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        if not k(B).i
    if not secure(A
    print 'p',hex(p
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def secure(A,B):
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    return ''.join([chr(255-ord(s)) for s in seed])

def real2str(seed,bytes):
    return int2str(Integer(RealField(8*bytes)(seed)*256^bytes),bytes)

sizeofint = 4
nums = real2str(cos(1),seedbytes - sizeofint)
for counter in xrange(0,256^sizeofint):
    S = int2str(counter,sizeofint) + nums
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    A = str2int(hash(S))
    B = str2int(hash(T))
    if secure(A,B):
        print 'p',hex(p).upper()
        print 'A',hex(A).upper()
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        break
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import simplesha3
hash = simplesha3.sha3512

p = 2^224 - 2^96 + 1
k = GF(p)
seedbytes = 20

def secure(A,B):
    n = EllipticCurve([k(A),k(B)]).cardinality()
    return (n.is_prime() and (2*p+2-n).is_prime()
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Output: 7144BA12CE8A0C3BEFA053EDB



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```

Output: 7144BA12CE8A0C3BEFA053EDBADA55...

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Output: 7144BA12CE8A0C3BEFA053EDBADA55...

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Output: 7144BA12CE8A0C3BEFA053ED**BADA55**...

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See [bada55.cr.yp.to](http://bada55.cr.yp.to) for much more: full paper; scripts; detailed Brainpool analysis; manipulating “minimal” primes and curves (Microsoft “NUMS”); manipulating security criteria.