

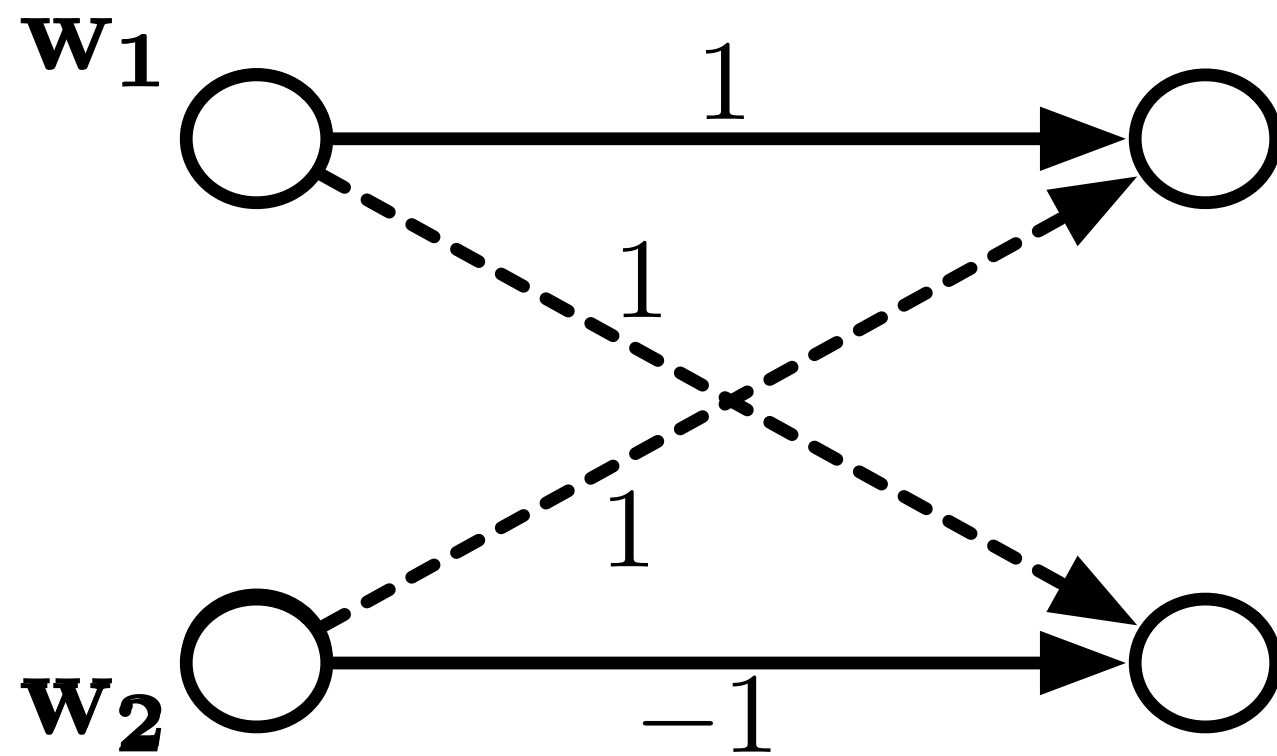
# Inverse Compute-and-Forward: Extracting Messages from Simultaneously Transmitted Equations

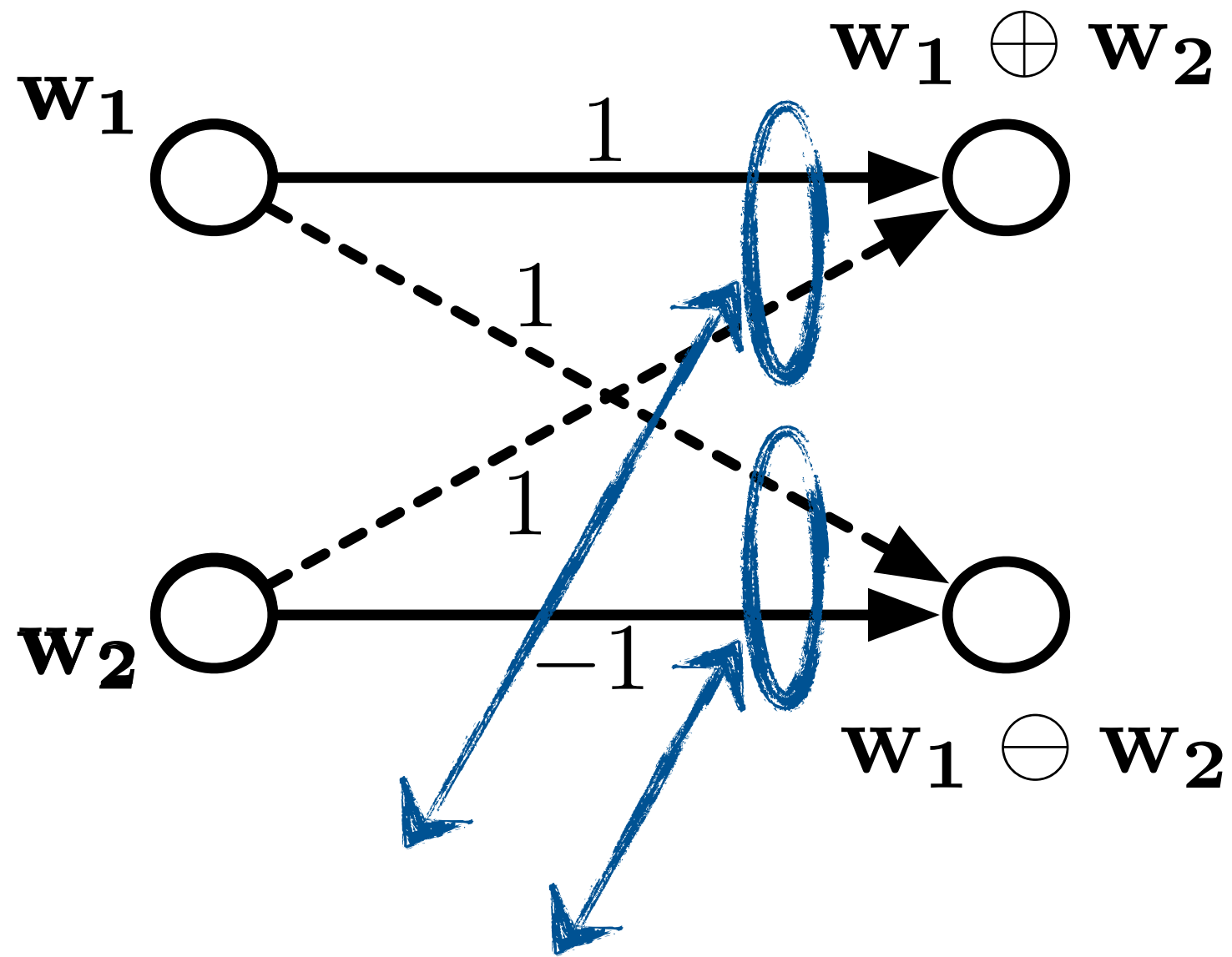
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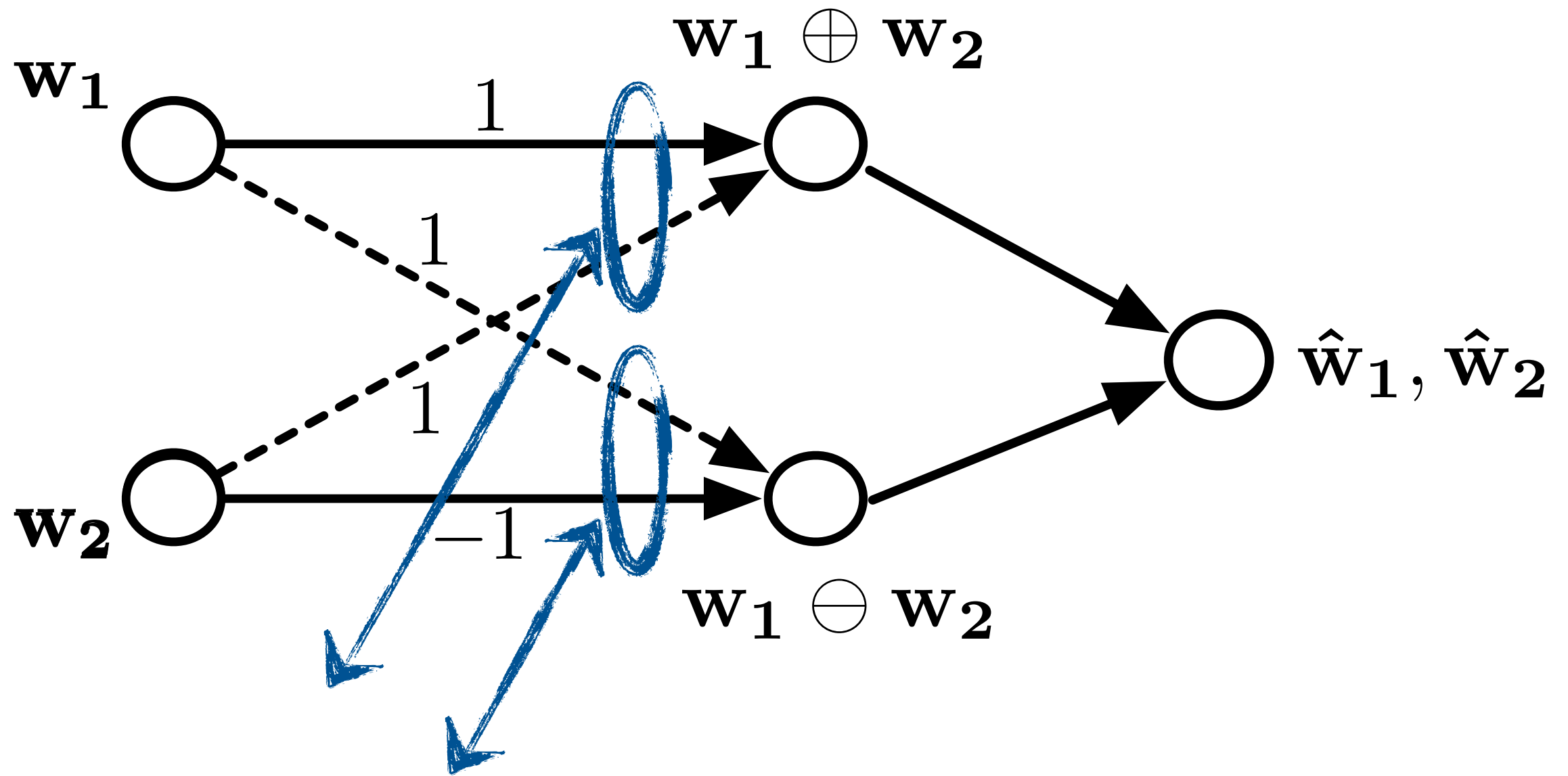
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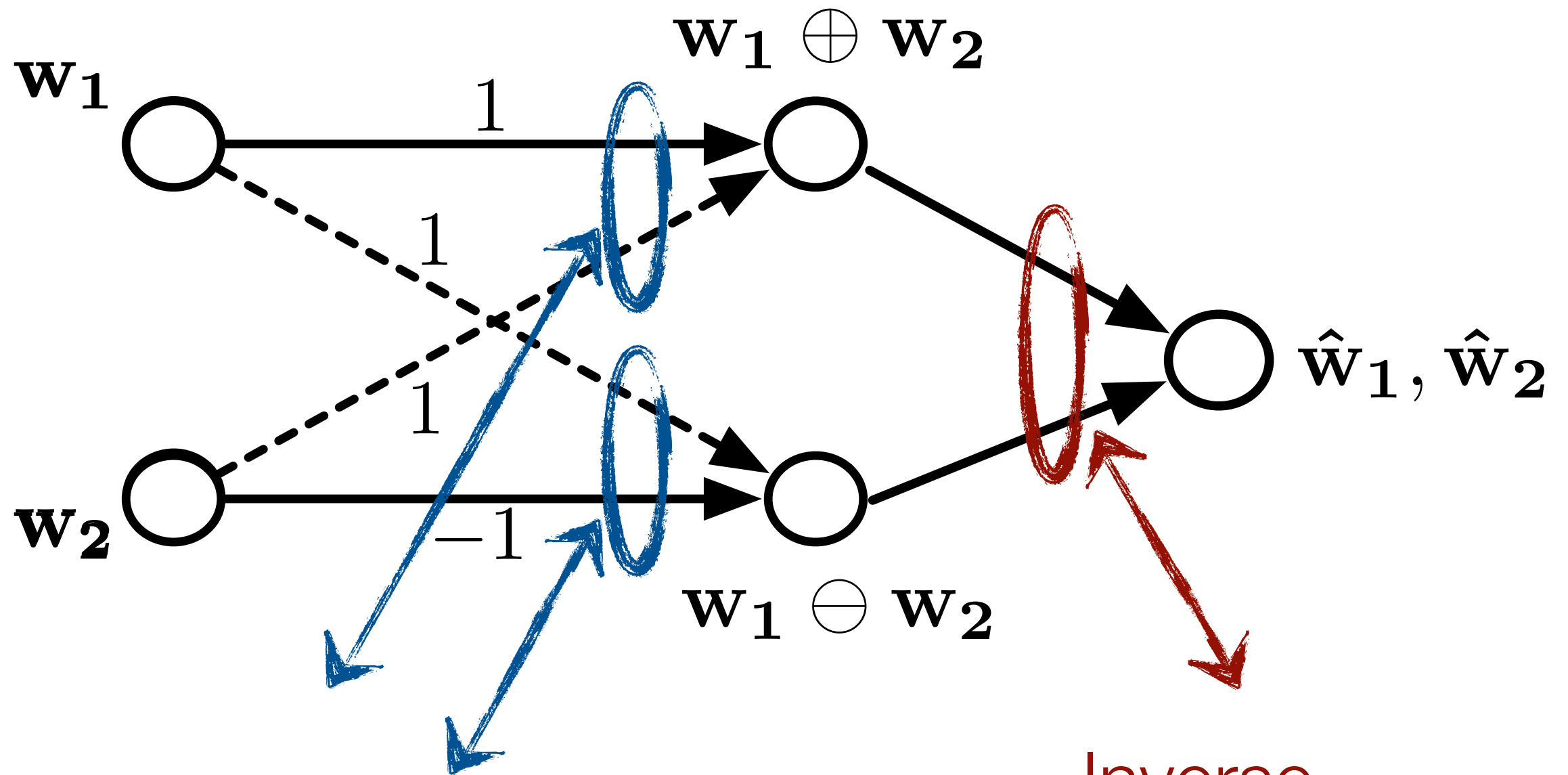
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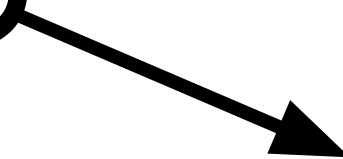
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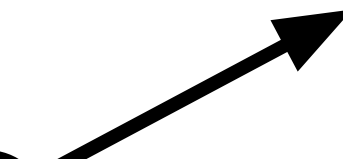
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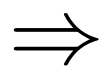
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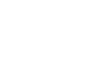
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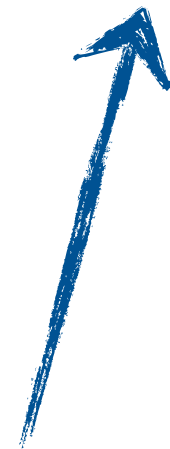
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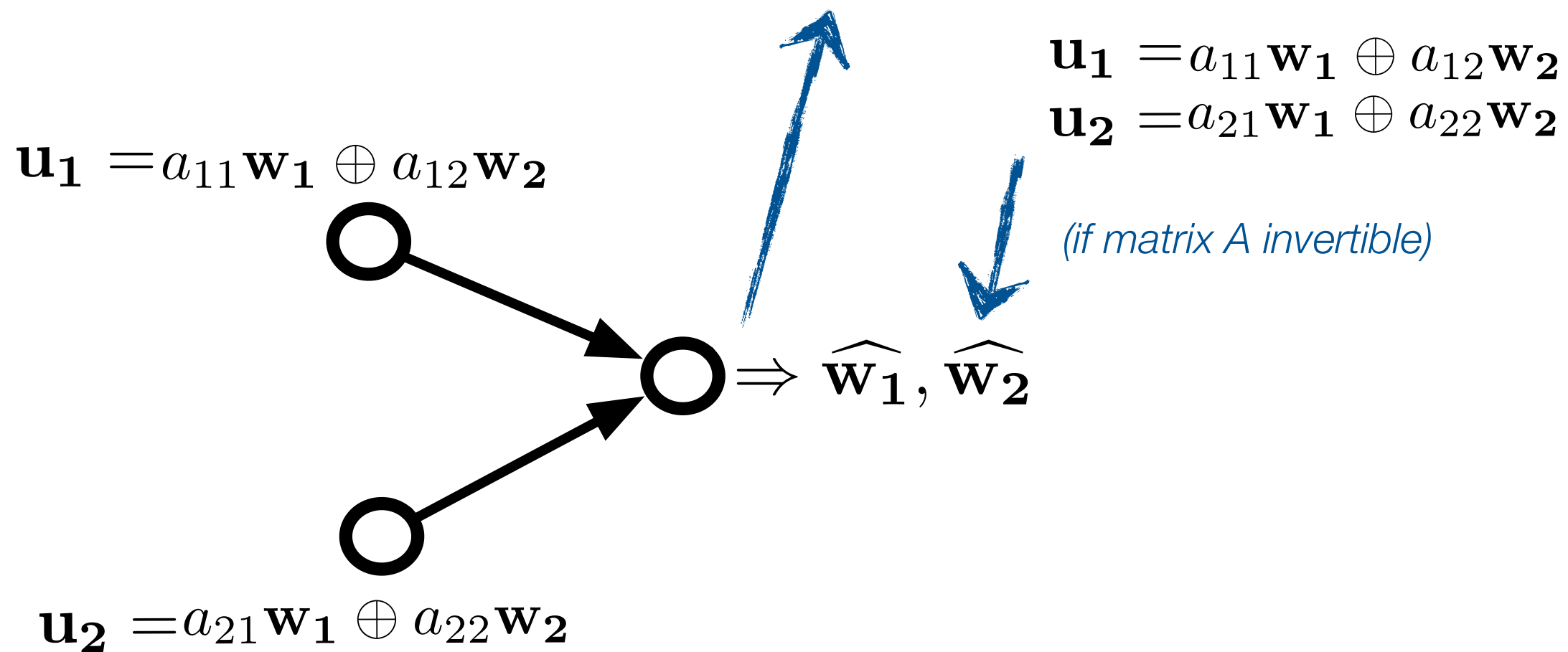




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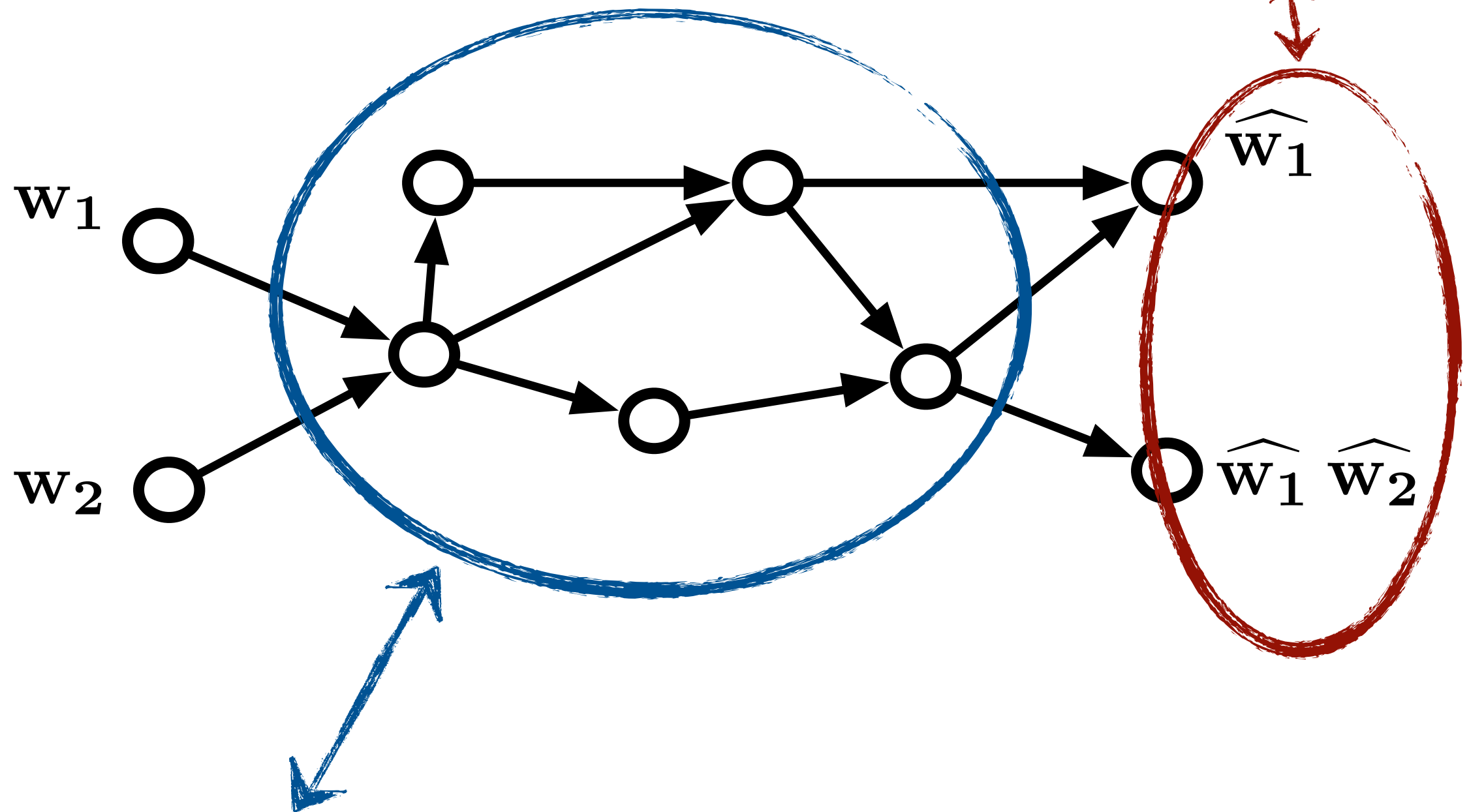
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*(allowable equations or MAC  
with common messages)*

## Option 2: extract directly over the air!

**Combine for a unified rate region!**

Inverse  
Compute and forward to  
extract messages



Compute and forward to decode  $a\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus b\mathbf{w}_2$

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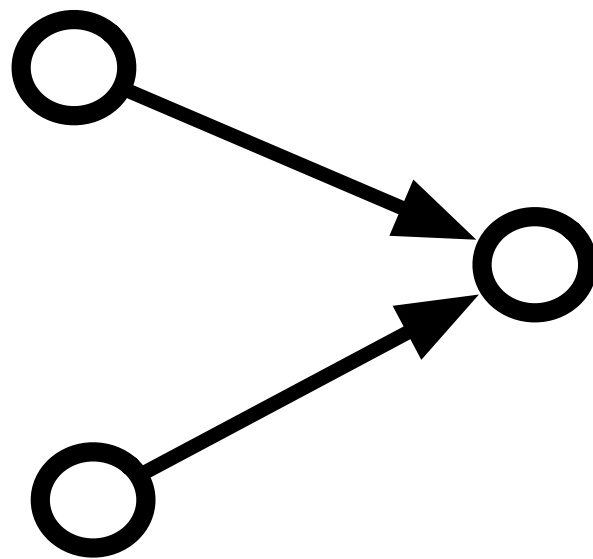
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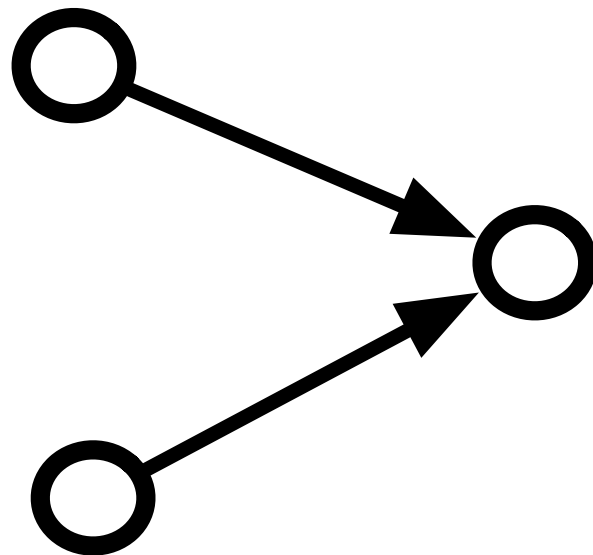
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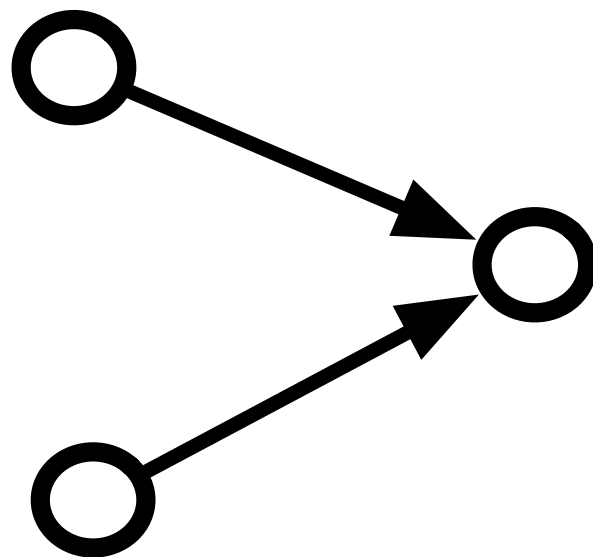
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- $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$  is full rank over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

- $\oplus$  denotes finite field addition

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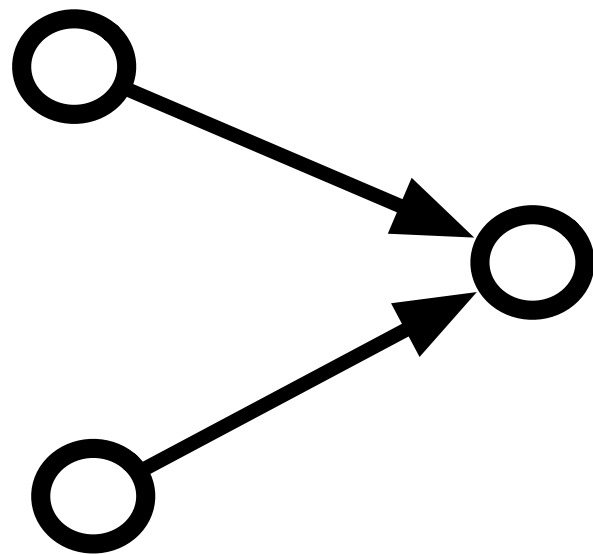
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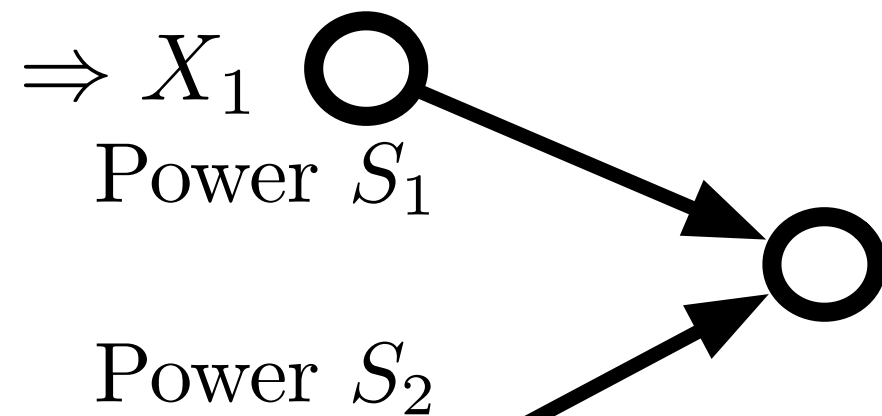


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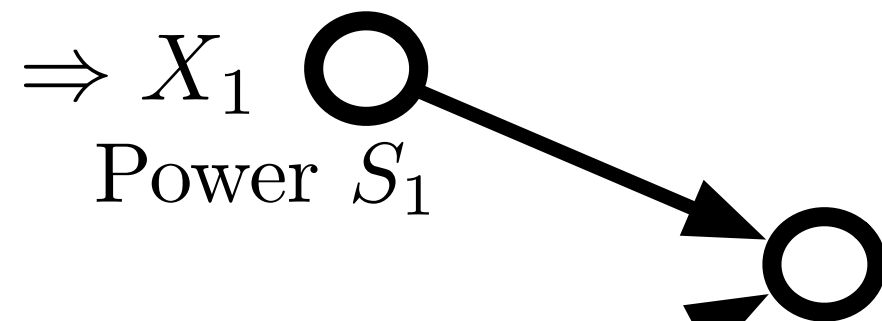
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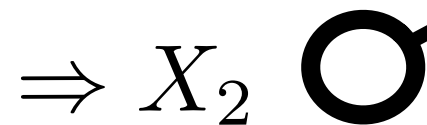
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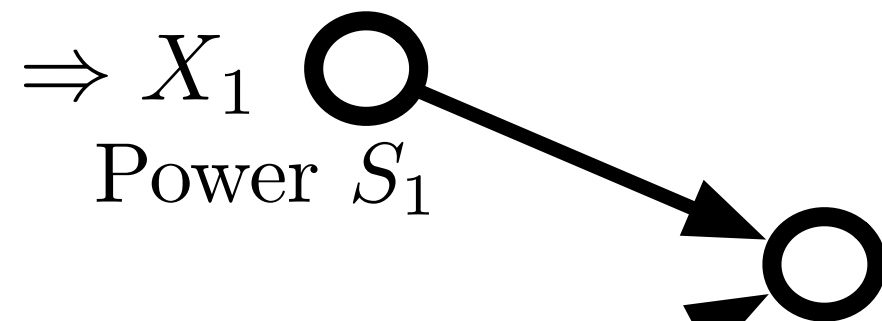
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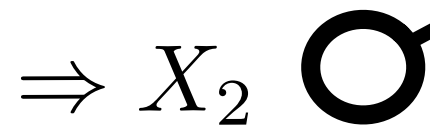
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$$\Pr((\hat{\mathbf{w}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{w}}_2) \neq (\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2)) < \epsilon .$$



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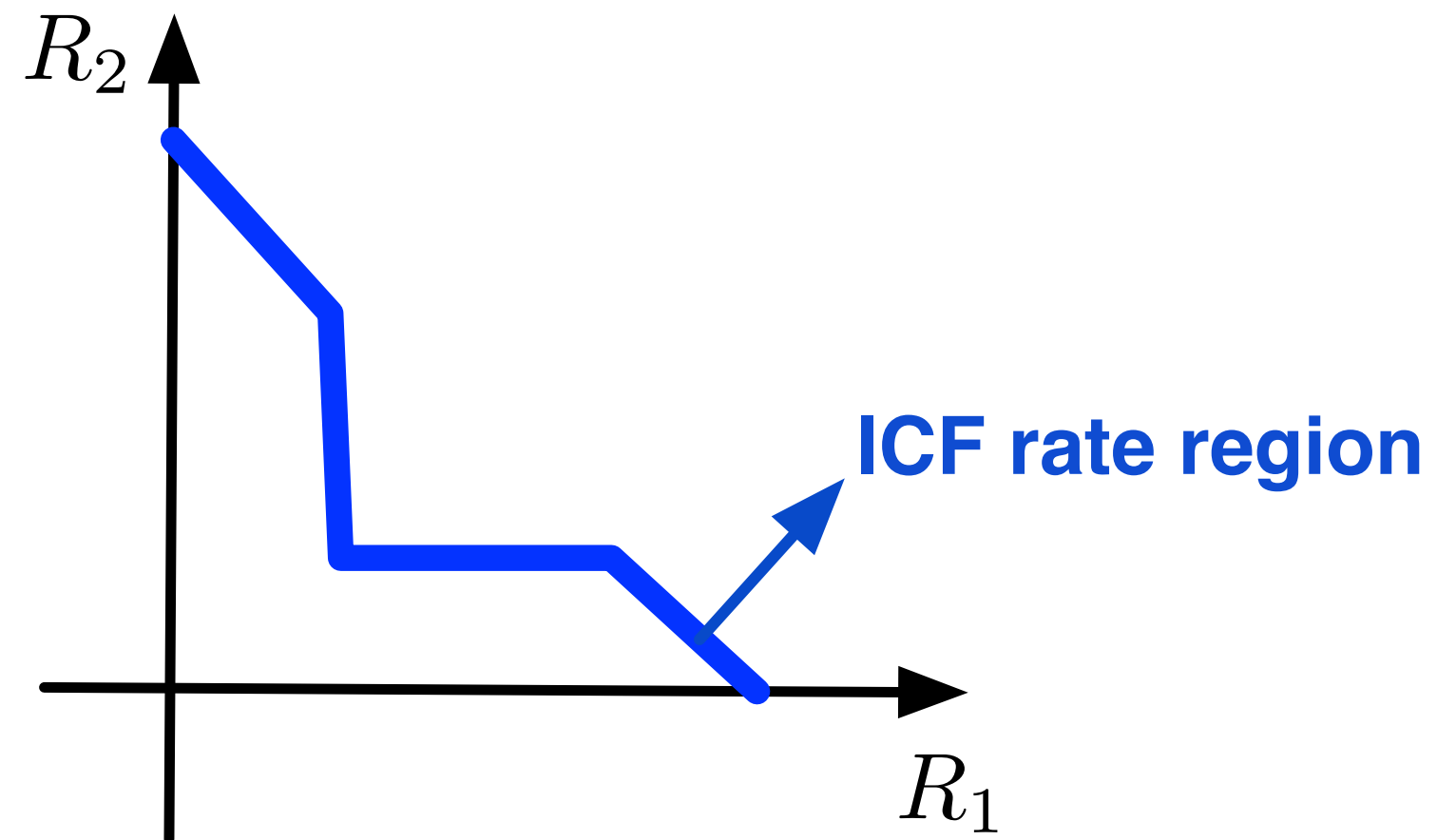
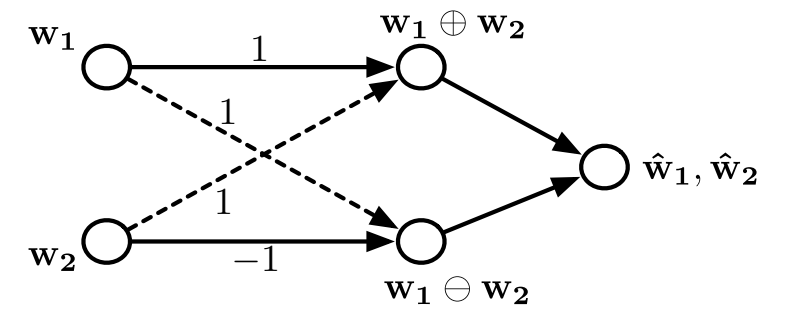
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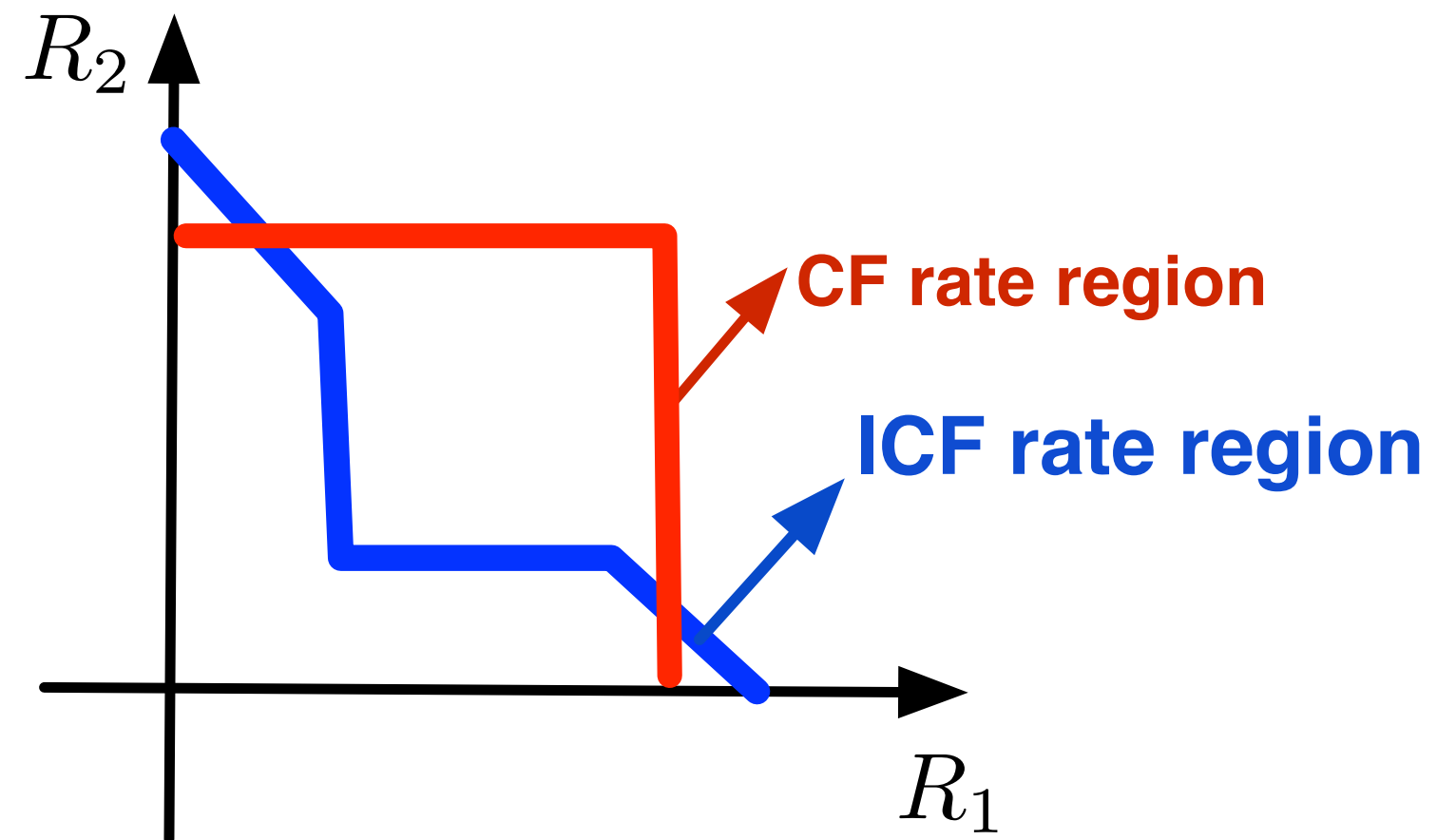
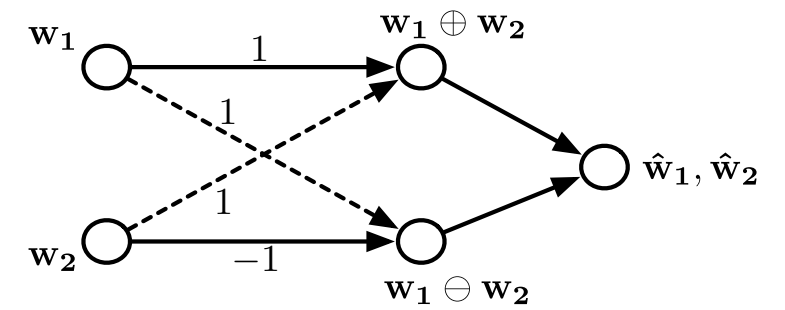
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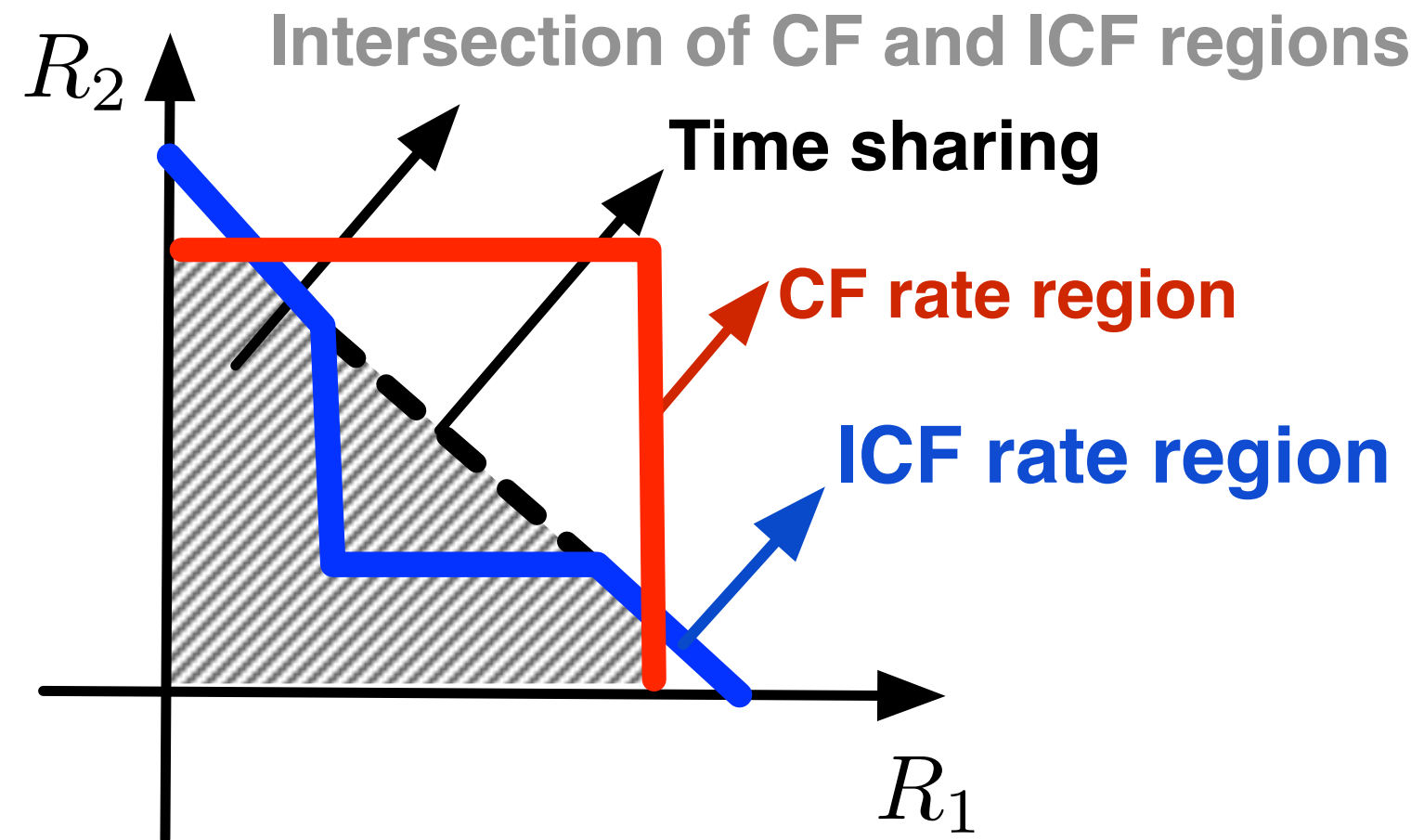
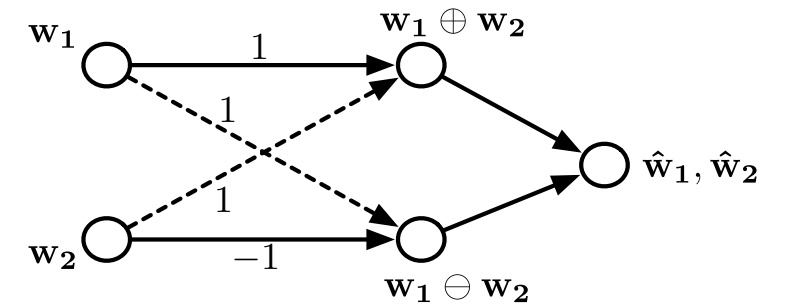
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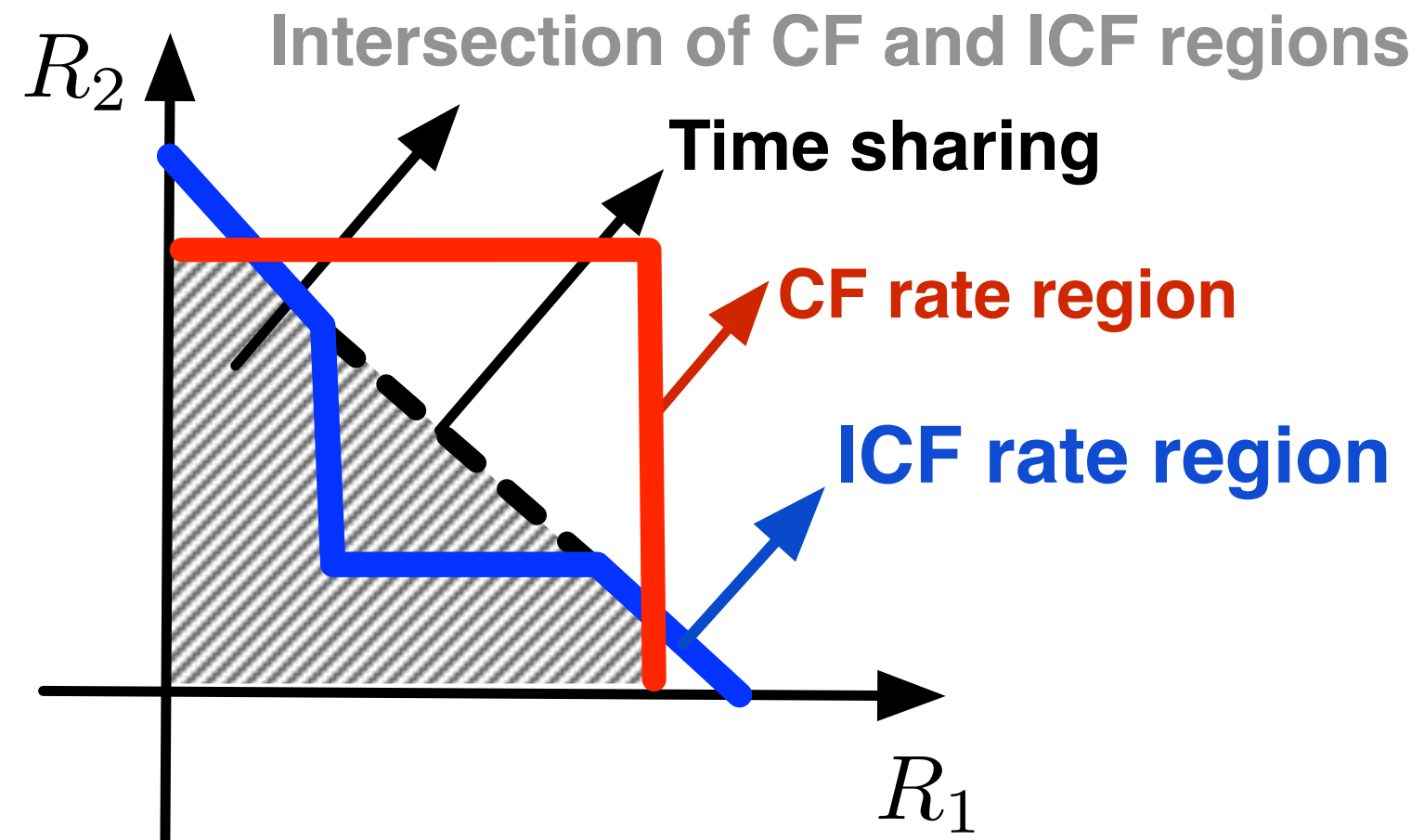
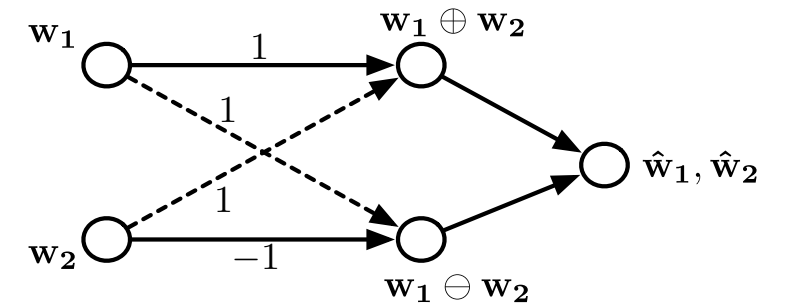
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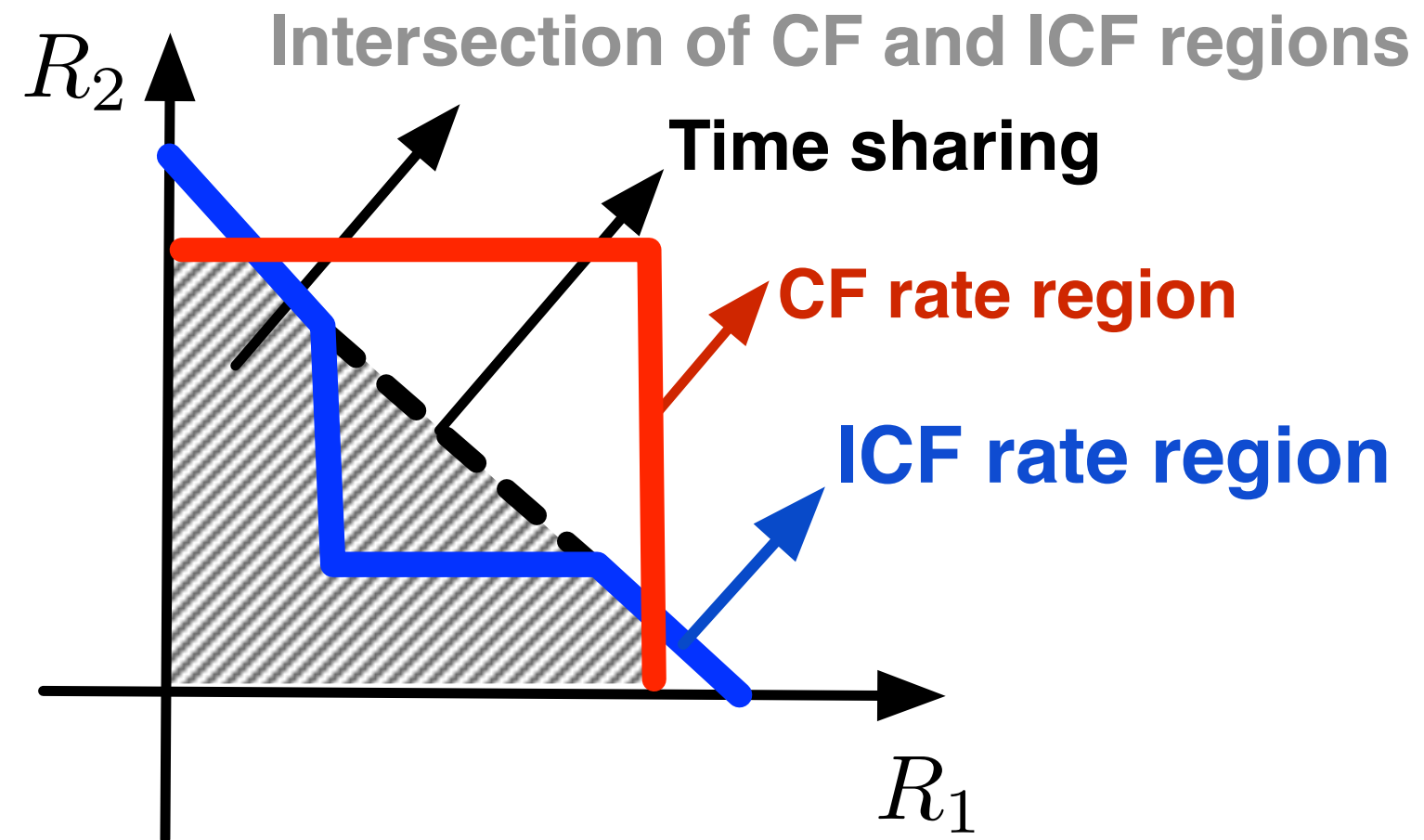
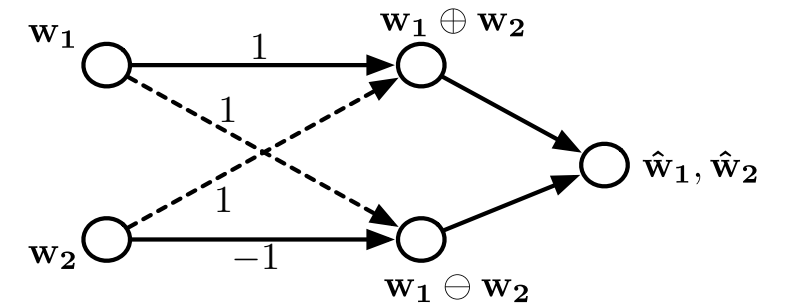


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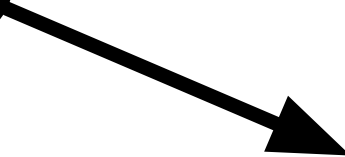


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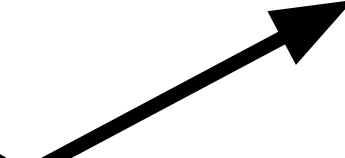
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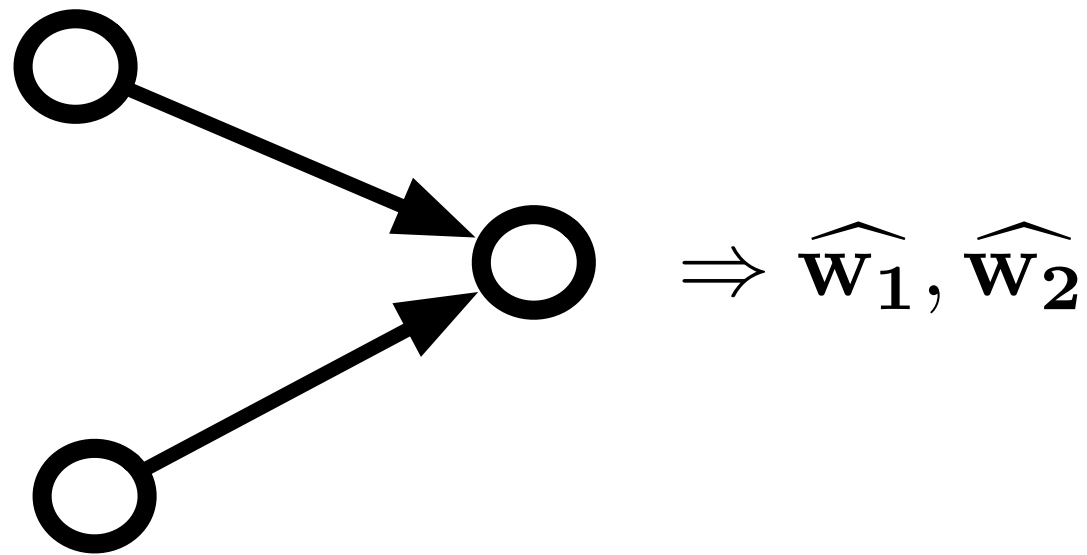
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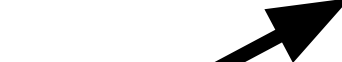
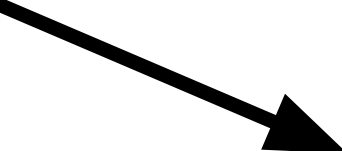


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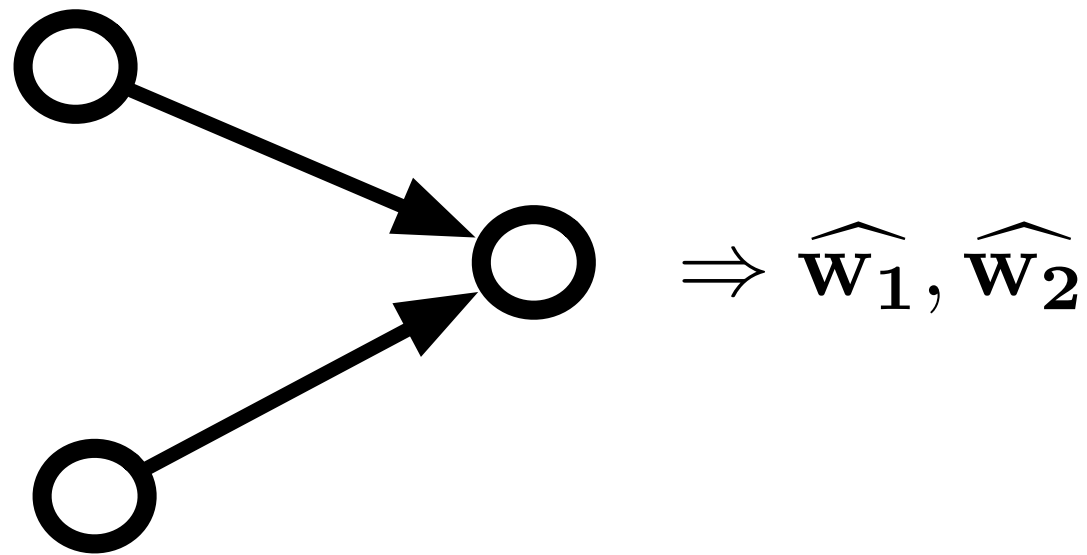


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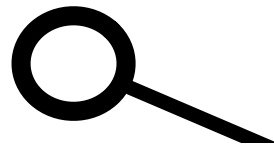


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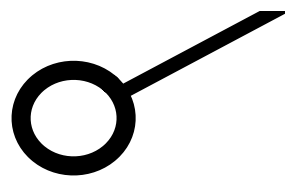
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**Key idea: if one equation is fixed, limits the number of possibilities of the other!**



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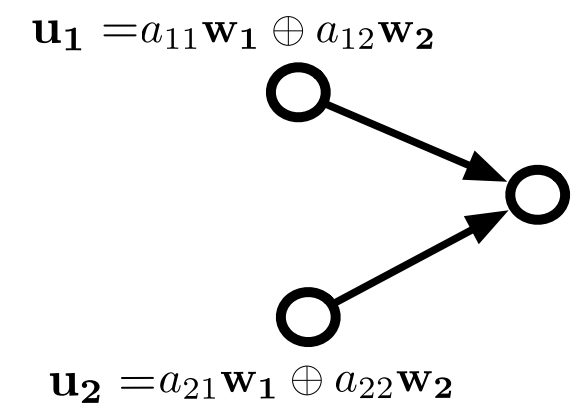
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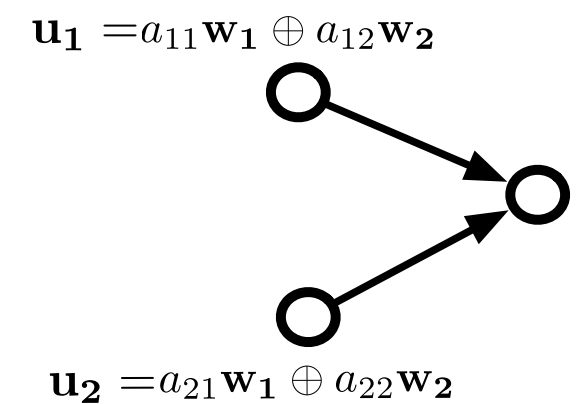
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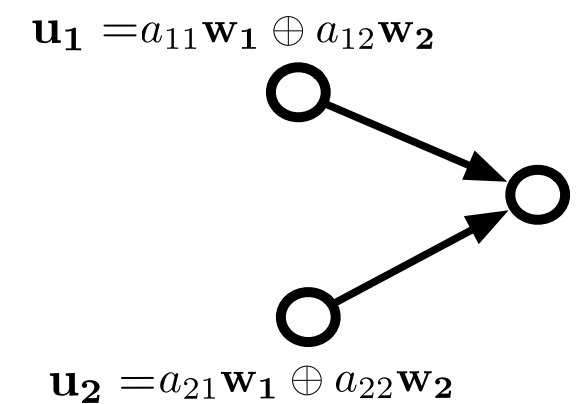


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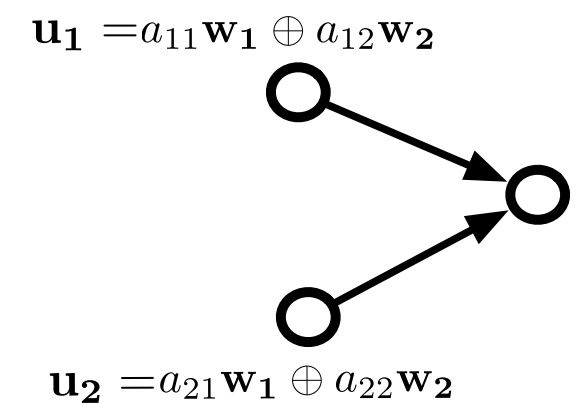
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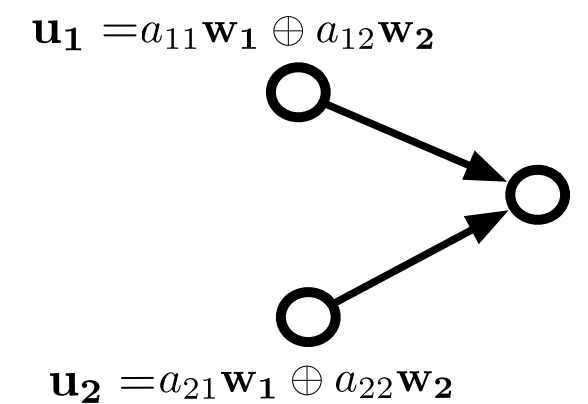
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**Count the number of  
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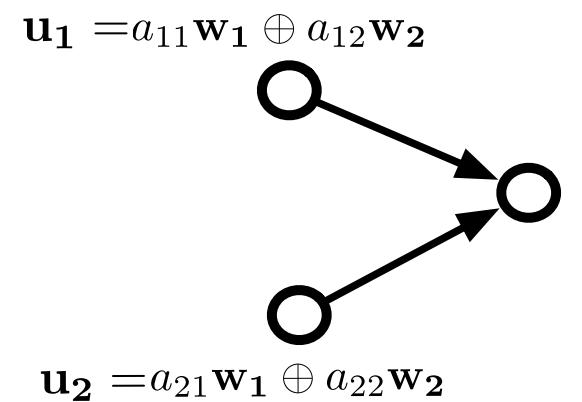
# Cardinality Lemma



$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1, U_2) = \left\{ (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2) : \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{u}_1 = a_{11}\mathbf{w}_1 + a_{12}\mathbf{w}_2, \\ \mathbf{u}_2 = a_{21}\mathbf{w}_1 + a_{22}\mathbf{w}_2, \text{ for some } \mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2 \end{array} \right\}.$$

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$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1, U_2) = \left\{ (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2) : \begin{aligned} &\mathbf{u}_1 = a_{11}\mathbf{w}_1 + a_{12}\mathbf{w}_2, \\ &\mathbf{u}_2 = a_{21}\mathbf{w}_1 + a_{22}\mathbf{w}_2, \text{ for some } \mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2 \end{aligned} \right\}.$$

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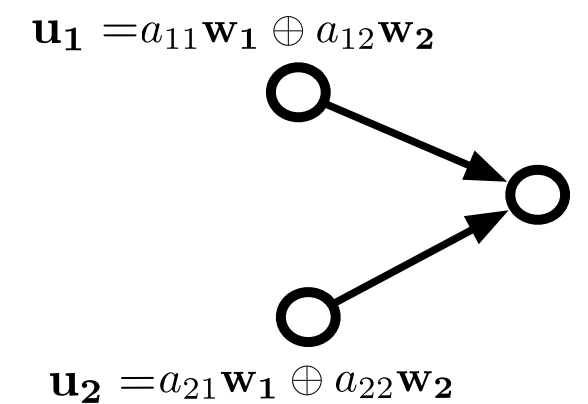
**Cardinality lemma.** The set of allowable equations  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1, U_2)$  and the set of conditionally allowable equations  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_\ell | \mathbf{u}_m)$  have the following cardinalities:

$$|\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1, U_2)| = 2^{n(R_1 + R_2)}$$

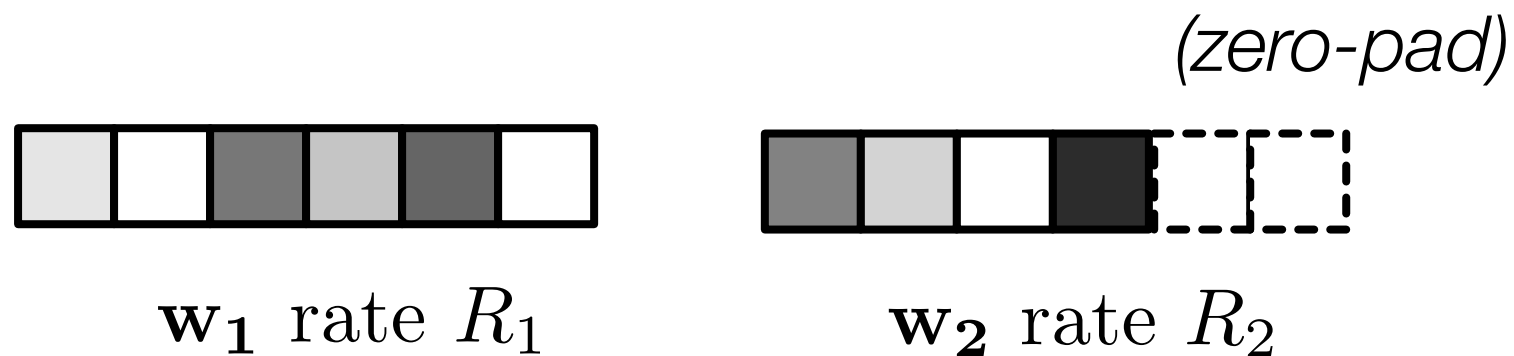
$$|\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1 | \mathbf{u}_2)| = 2^{nR_{\text{MIN}}}$$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_2 | \mathbf{u}_1)| = 2^{nR_{\text{MIN}}}.$$

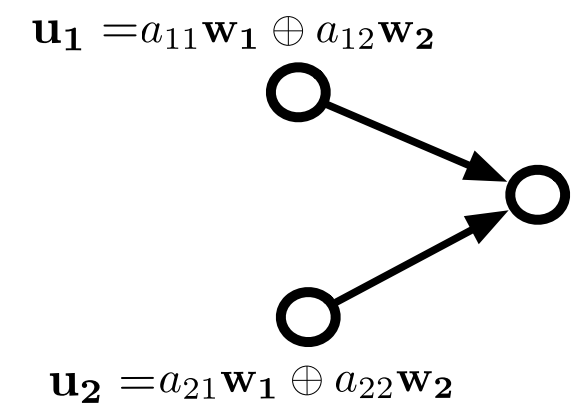
# Proof of Cardinality Lemma



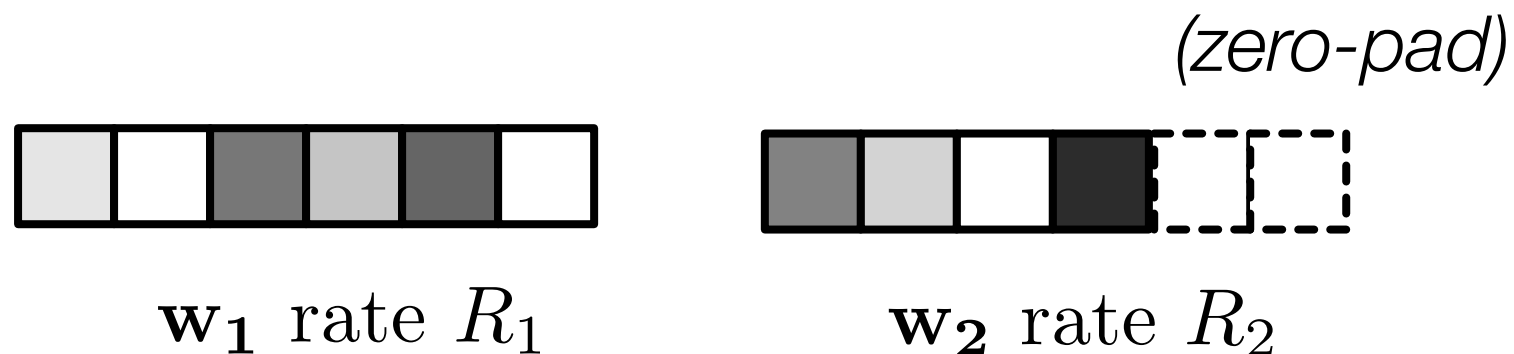
- $|\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1, U_2)| = 2^{n(R_1 + R_2)}$  as  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{w}_1 \\ \mathbf{w}_2 \end{bmatrix}$



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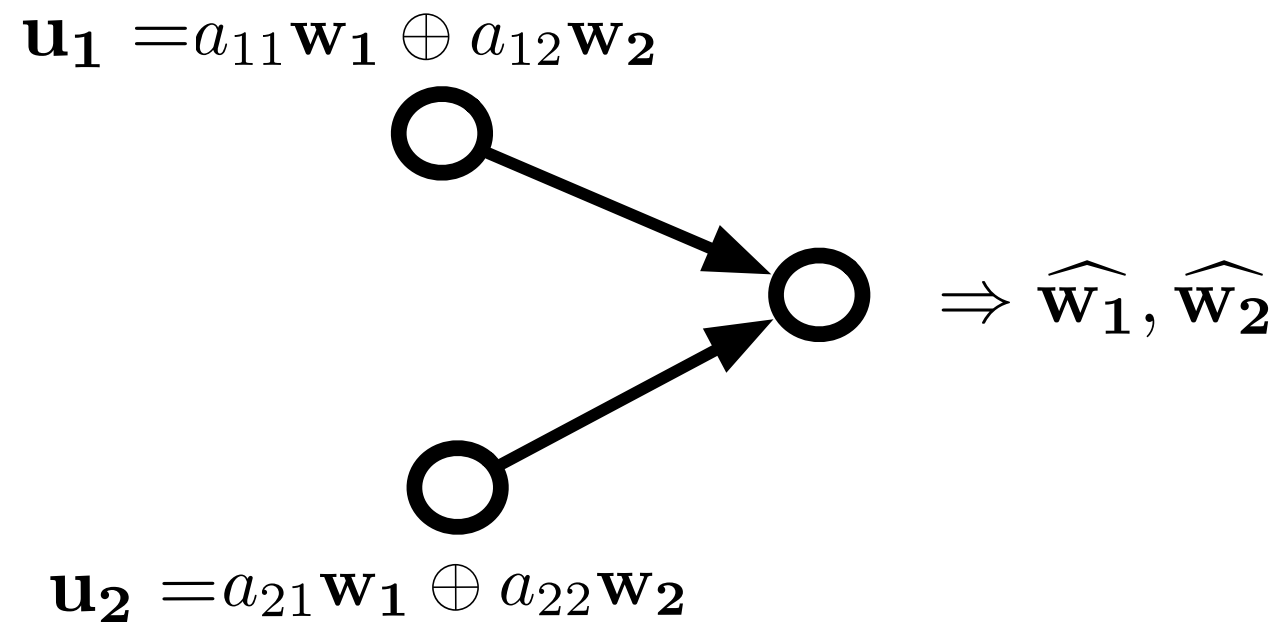


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- $|\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1|\mathbf{u}_2)| = 2^{n \min(R_1, R_2)}$ . Assume WLOG  $R_1 > R_2$ .  
Each  $\mathbf{w}_2$  has *one*  $\mathbf{w}_1$  such that  $a_{21}\mathbf{w}_1 + a_{22}\mathbf{w}_2 = \mathbf{u}_2$ .  
Since  $\mathbf{u}_1 \perp \mathbf{u}_2 \Rightarrow 2^{nR_2}$  solutions.



# Approach 1: allowable equations

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$$\min(R_1, R_2) < \min(C(S_1), C(S_2))$$

$$R_1 + R_2 < C(S_1 + S_2).$$

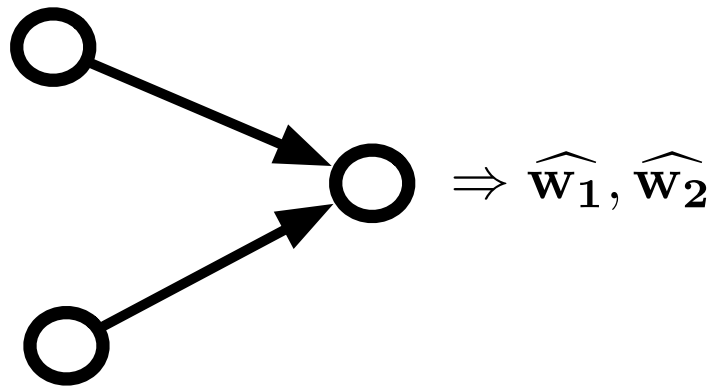
$$P_e \leq \epsilon + |\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1|\mathbf{0})|2^{-n(I(X_1;Y|X_2)-\epsilon)} + |\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_2|\mathbf{0})|2^{-n(I(X_2;Y|X_1)-\epsilon)} + |\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1, U_2)|2^{-n(I(X_1, X_2;Y)-\epsilon)}$$

$$= \epsilon + 2^{nR_{\text{MIN}}}2^{-n(I(X_1;Y|X_2)-\epsilon)} + 2^{nR_{\text{MIN}}}2^{-n(I(X_2;Y|X_1)-\epsilon)} + 2^{n(R_1+R_2)}2^{-n(I(X_1, X_2;Y)-\epsilon)}.$$

# What if coefficients are zero?

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$$\mathbf{u}_1 = a_{11}\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus a_{12}\mathbf{w}_2$$



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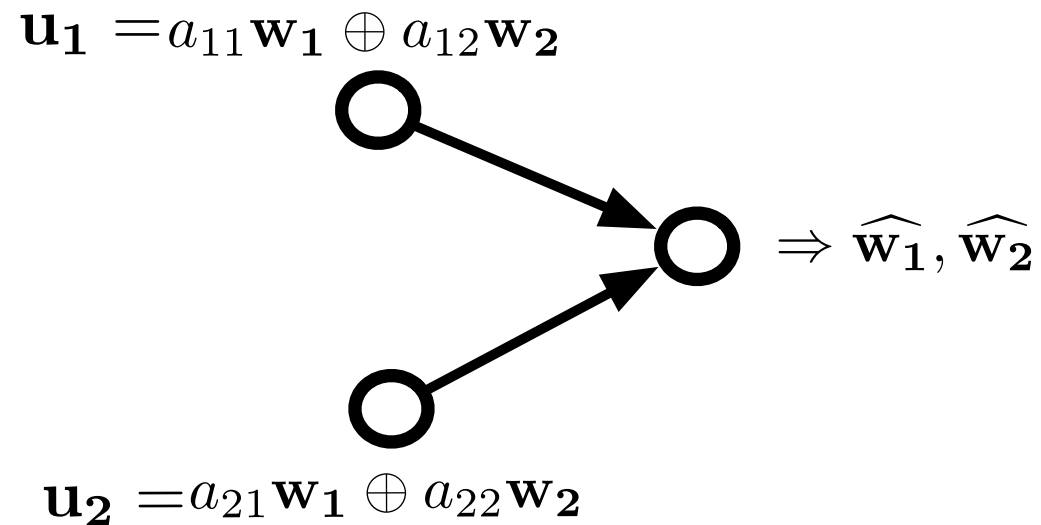
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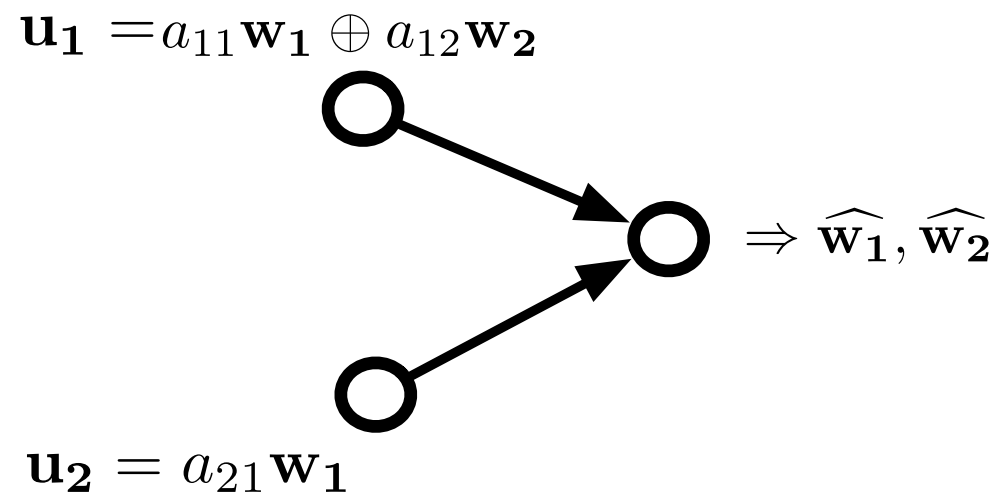
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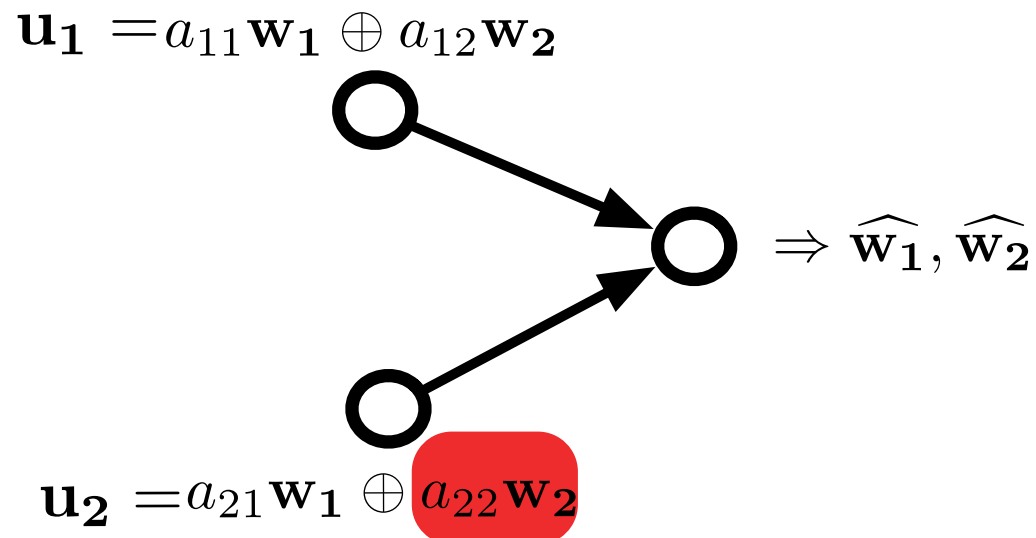


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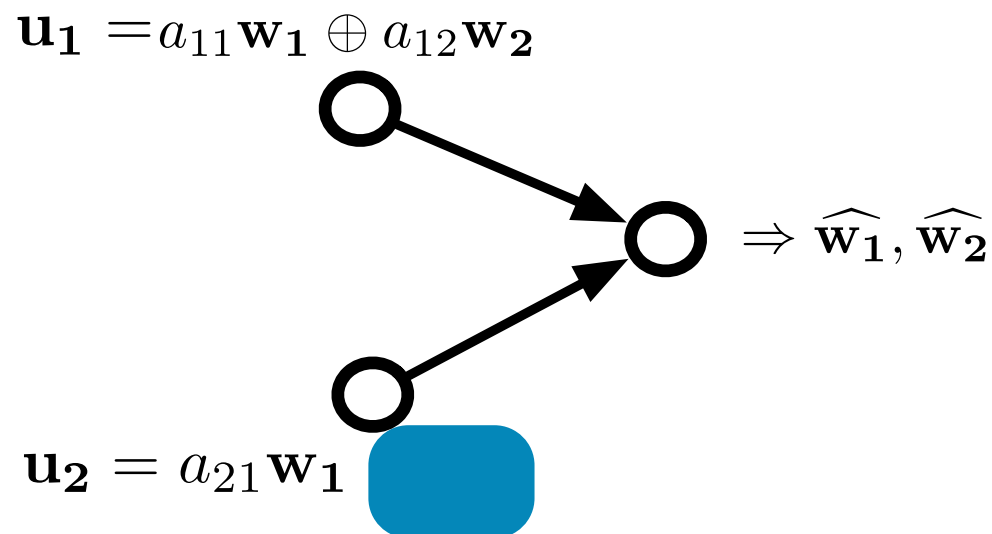
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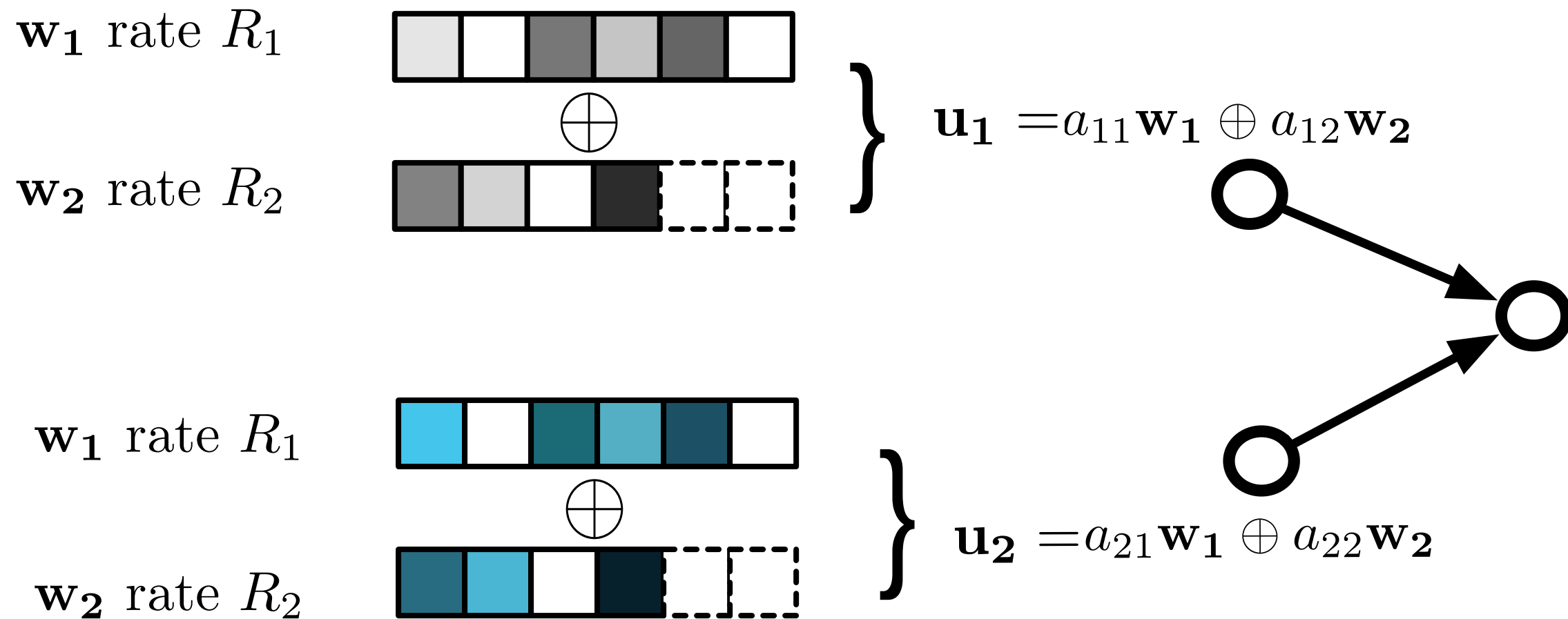


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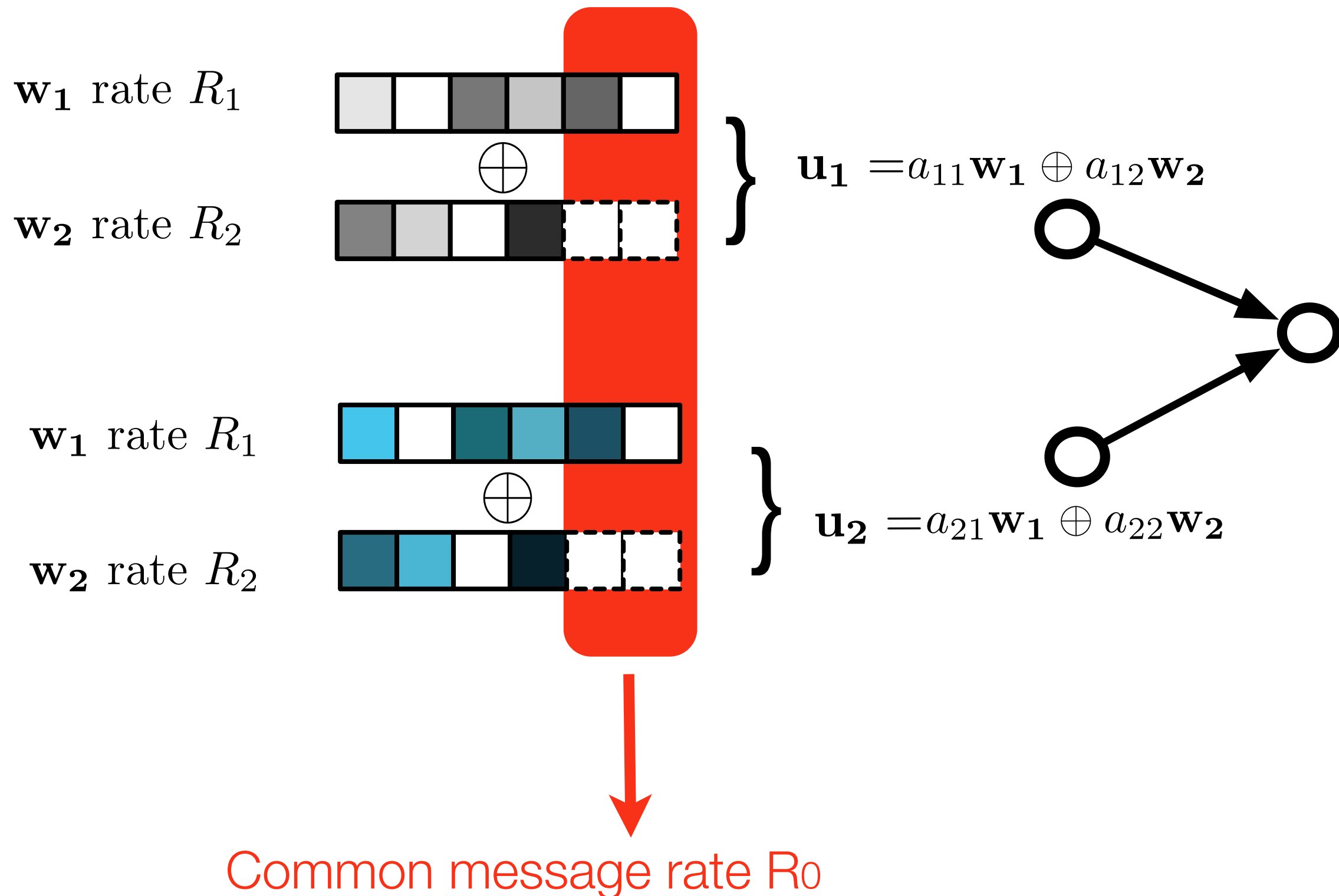
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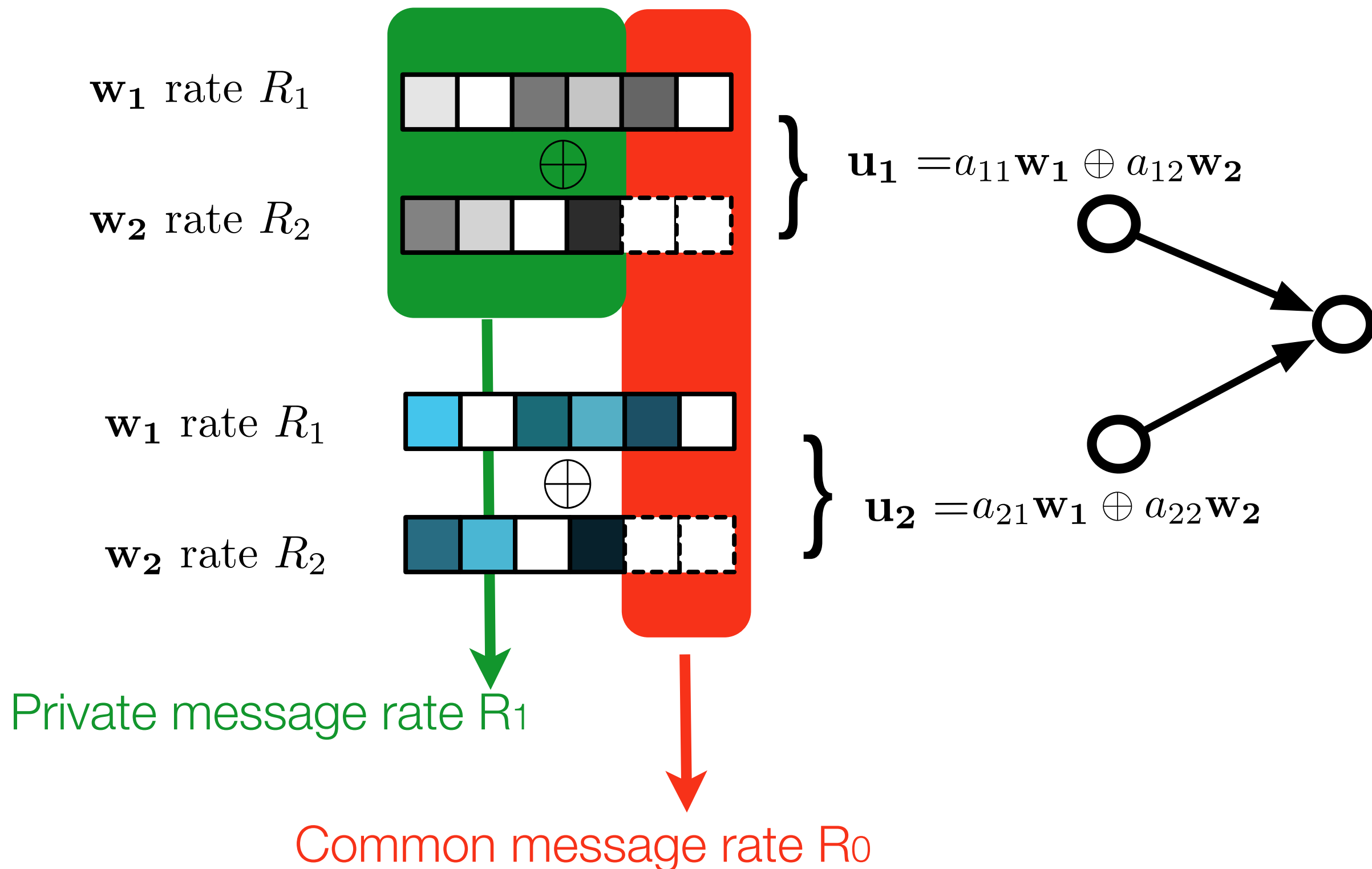
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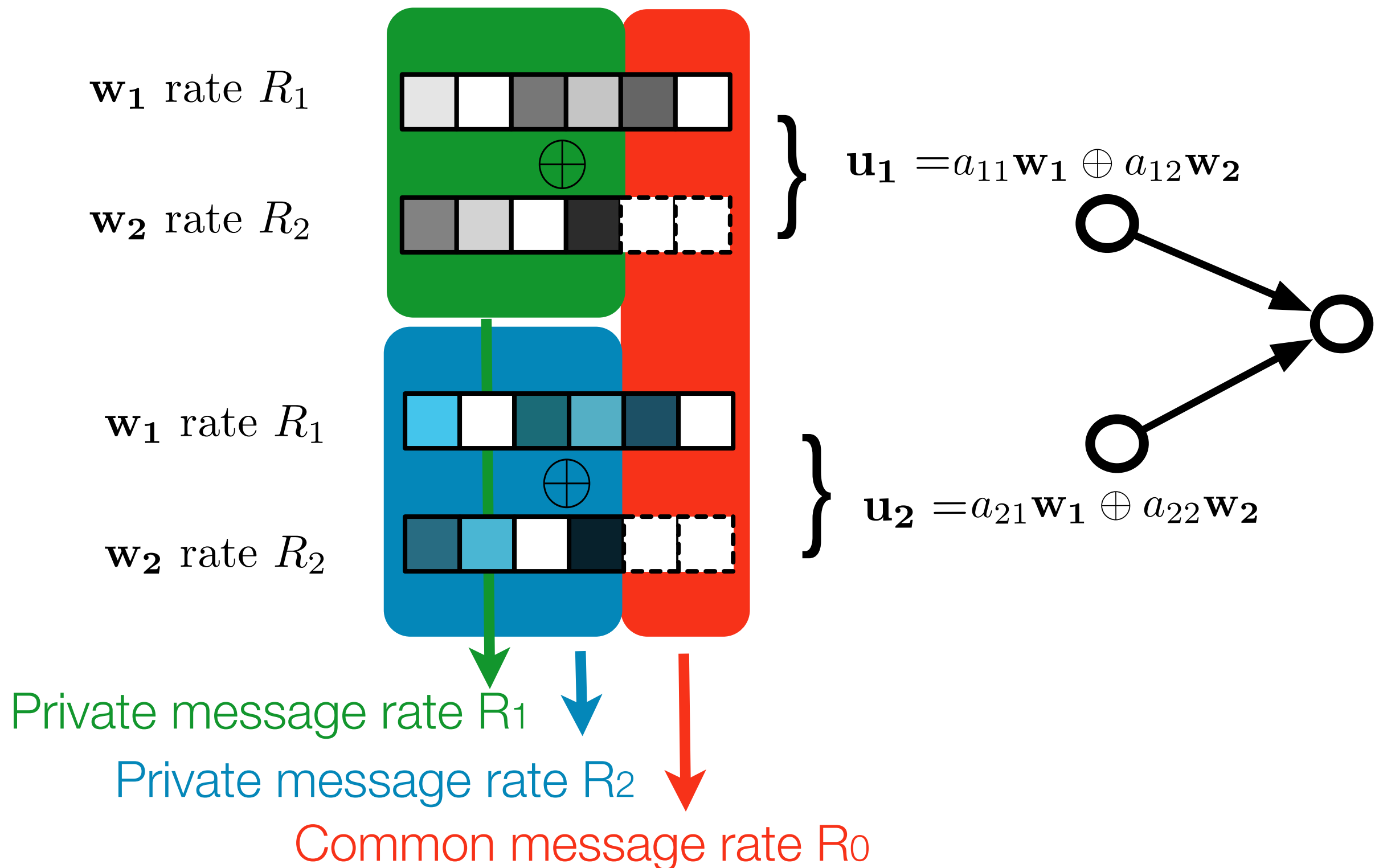
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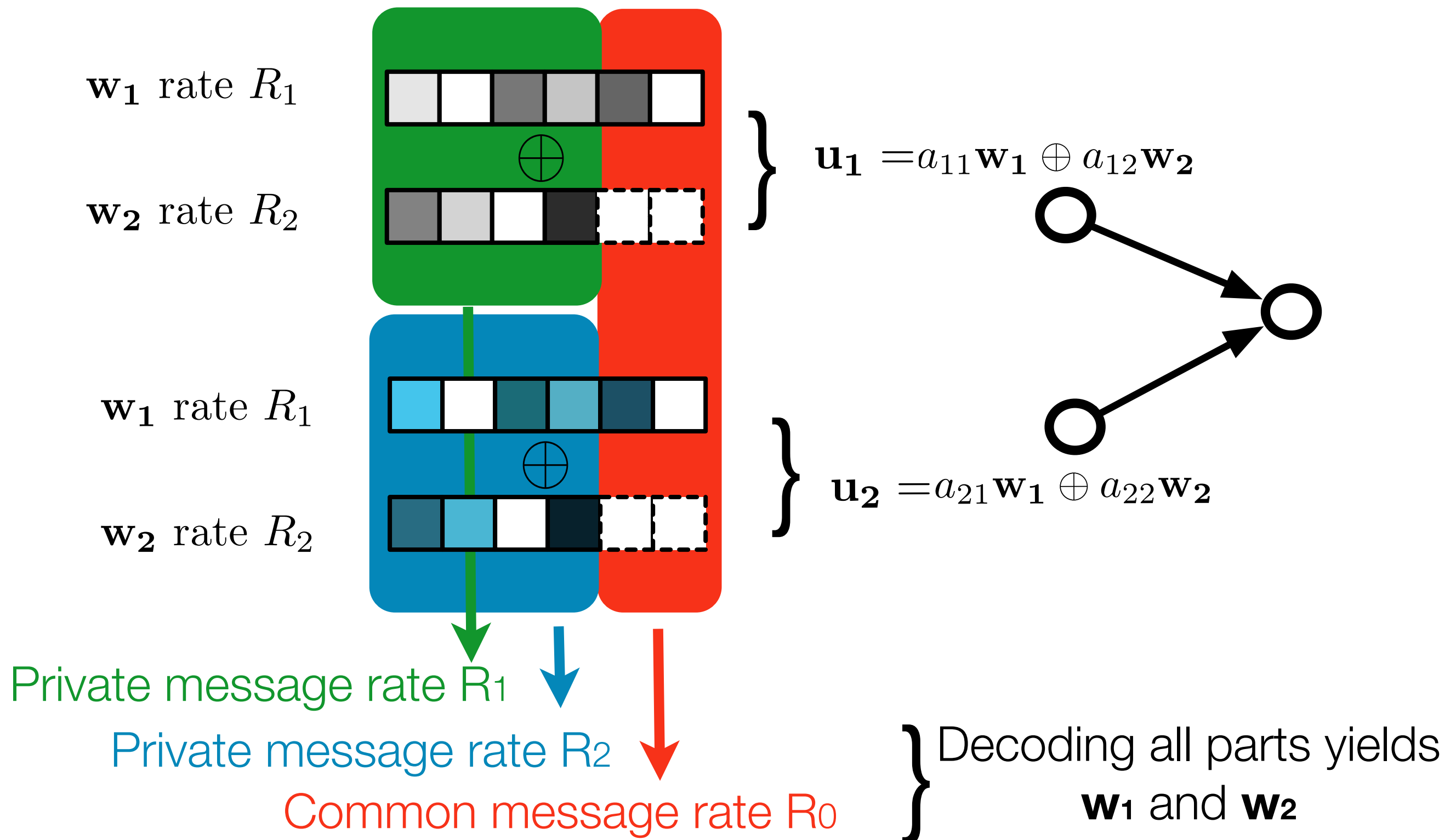
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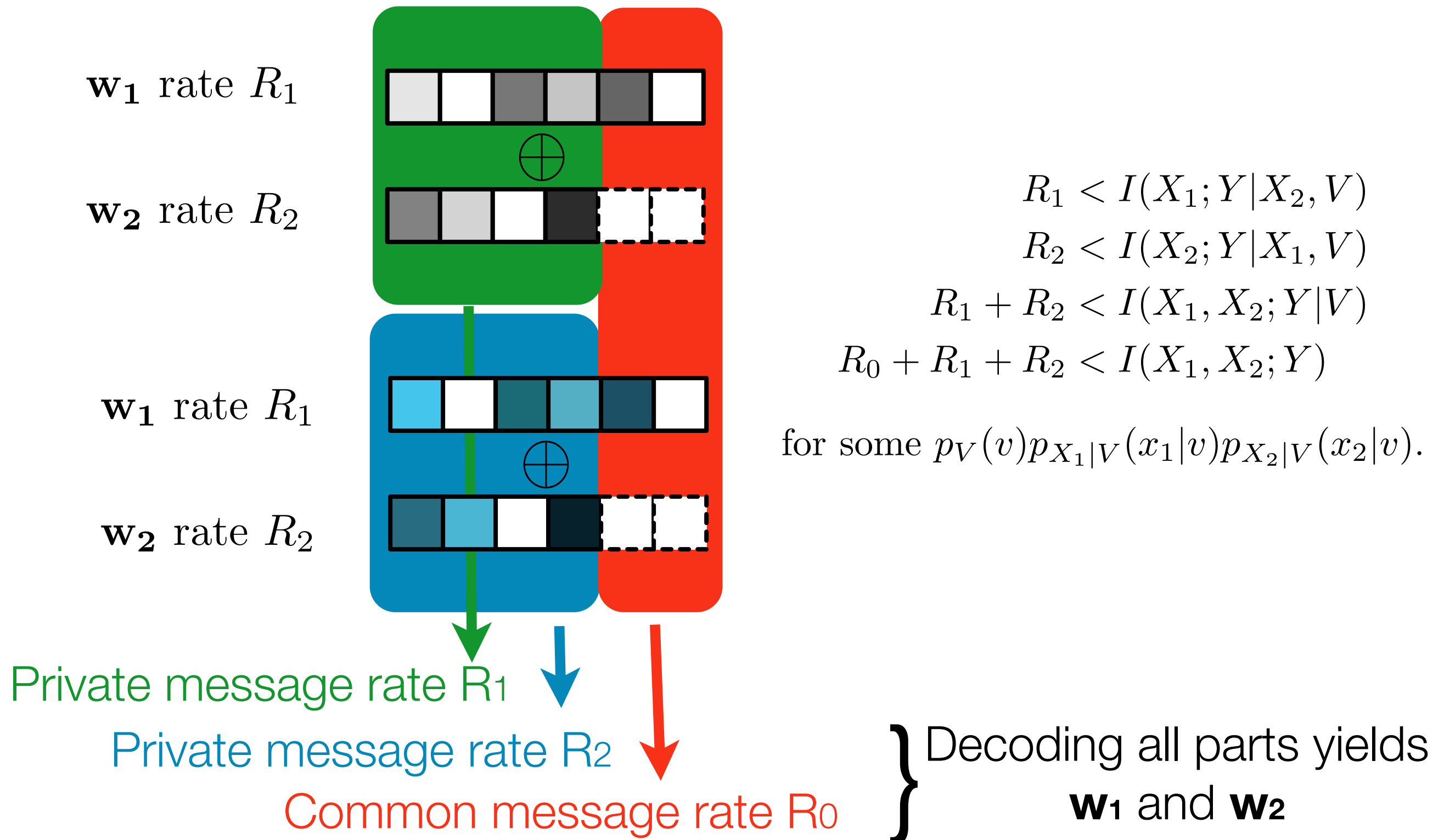
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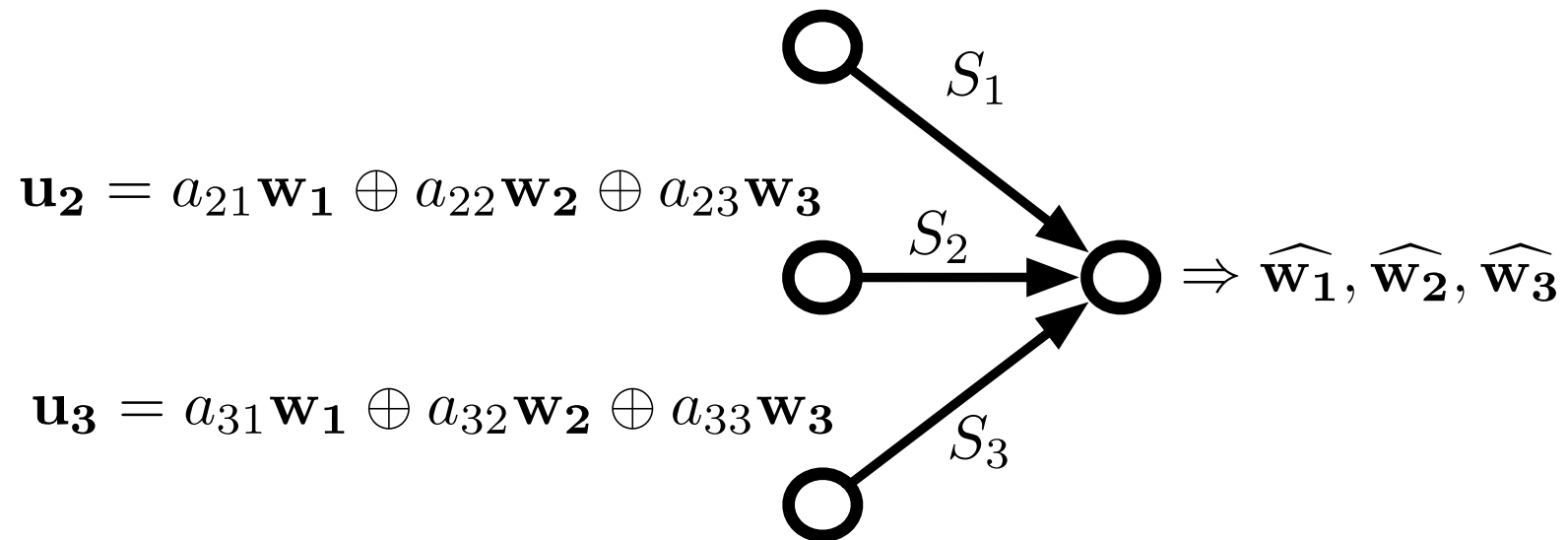
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# Beyond 2 users - allowable equations

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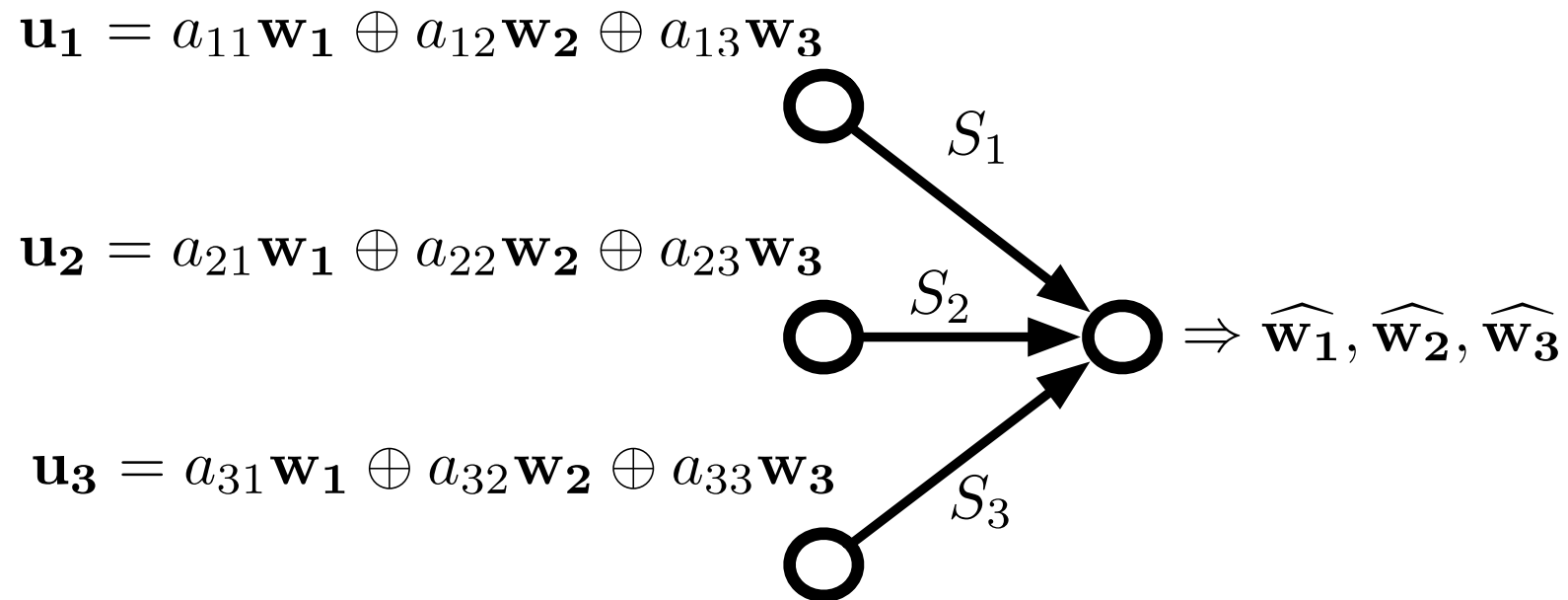


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# Beyond 2 users - allowable equations

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$$|\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{A}}(U_1, U_2, U_3)| = 2^{n(R_1 + R_2 + R_3)}$$

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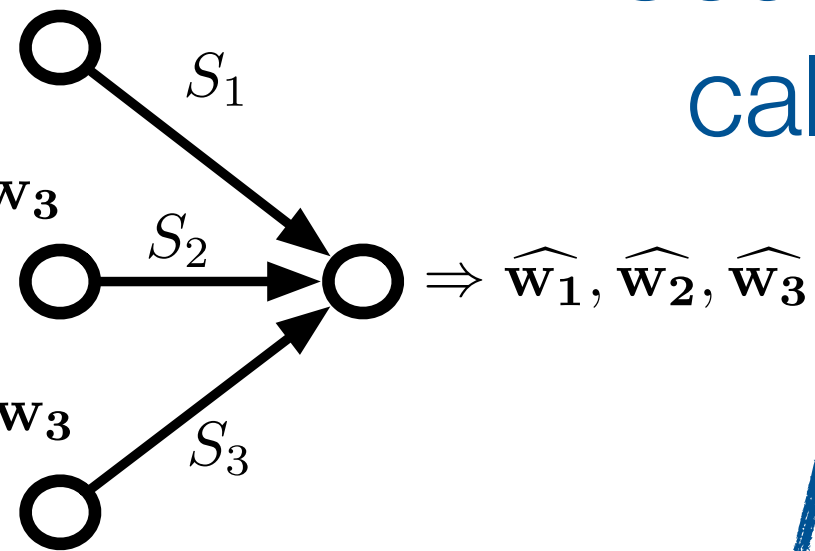
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# Beyond 2 users - allowable equations

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Use in MAC  $P_e$  calculations

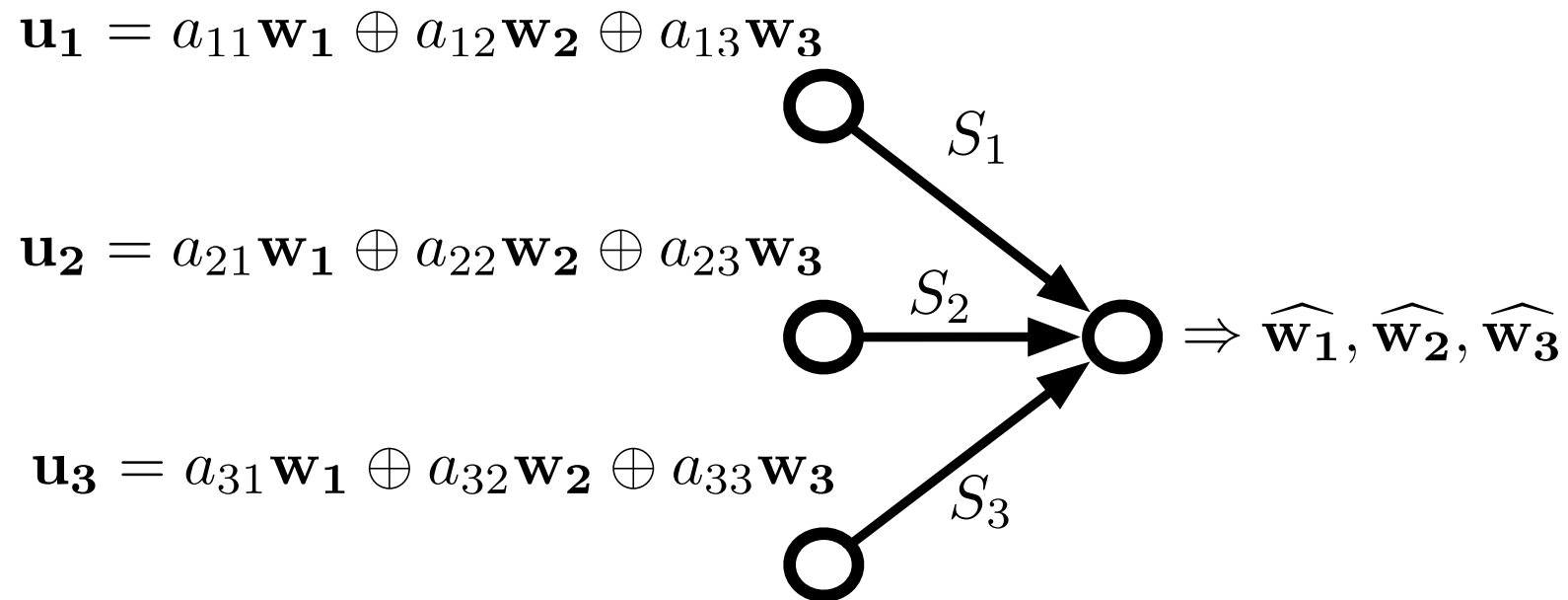
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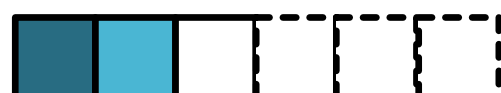
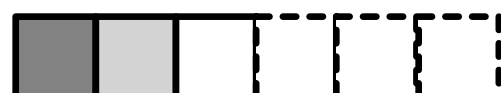


$$R_{\text{MIN}} \leq \min\{C(S_1), C(S_2), C(S_3)\}$$

$$R_{\text{MIN}} + R_{\text{MID}} \leq \min\{C(S_1 + S_2), C(S_1 + S_3), C(S_2 + S_3)\}$$

$$R_{\text{MIN}} + R_{\text{MID}} + R_{\text{MAX}} \leq C(S_1 + S_2 + S_3)$$

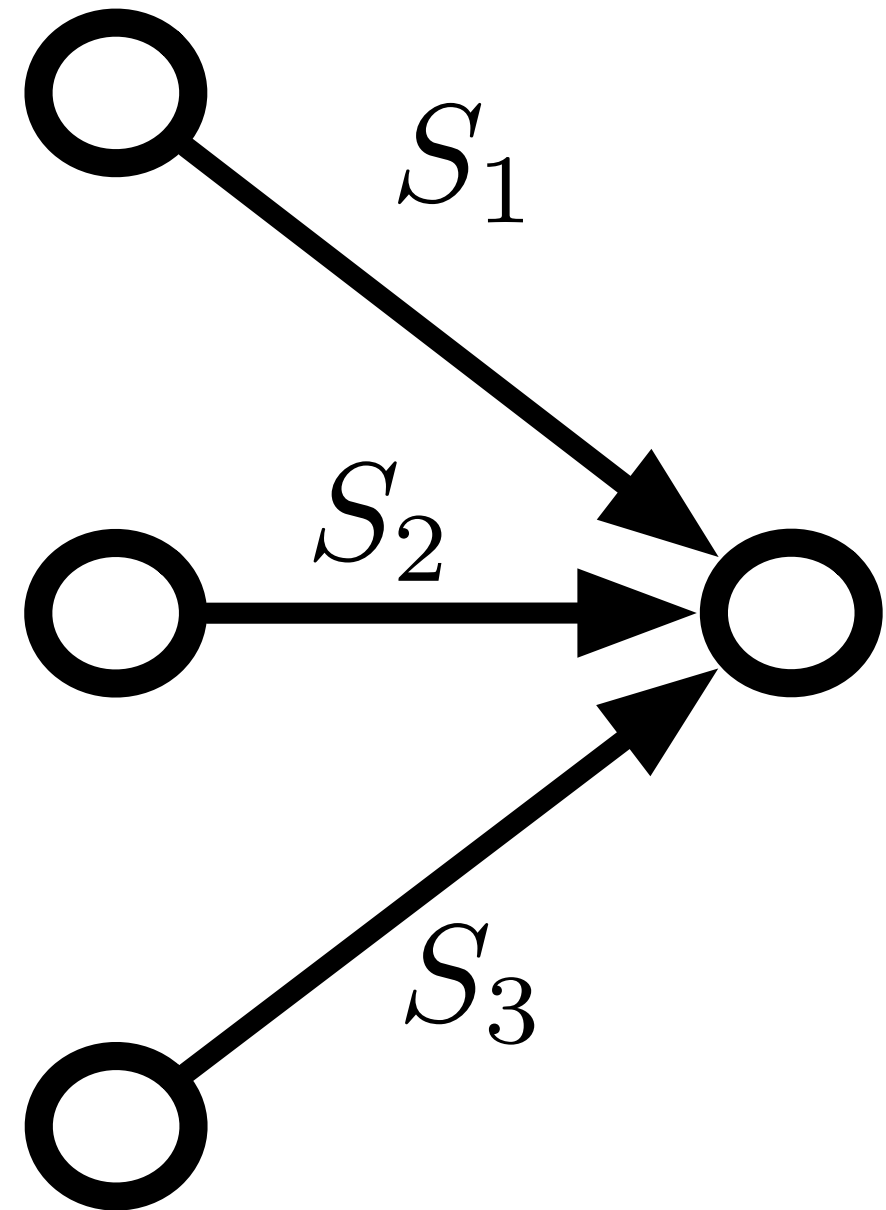
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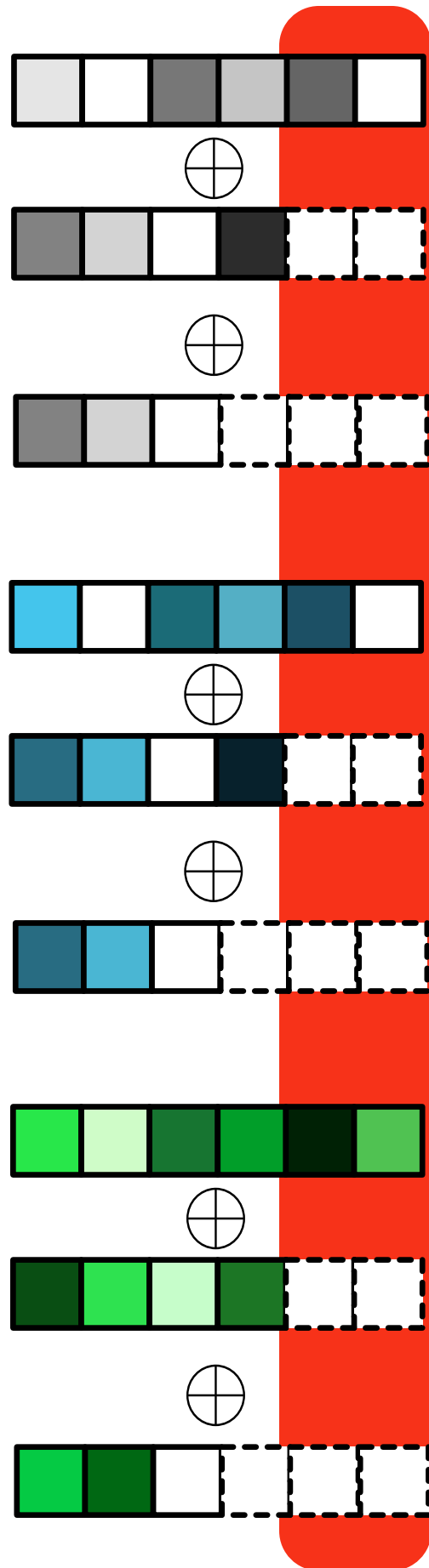
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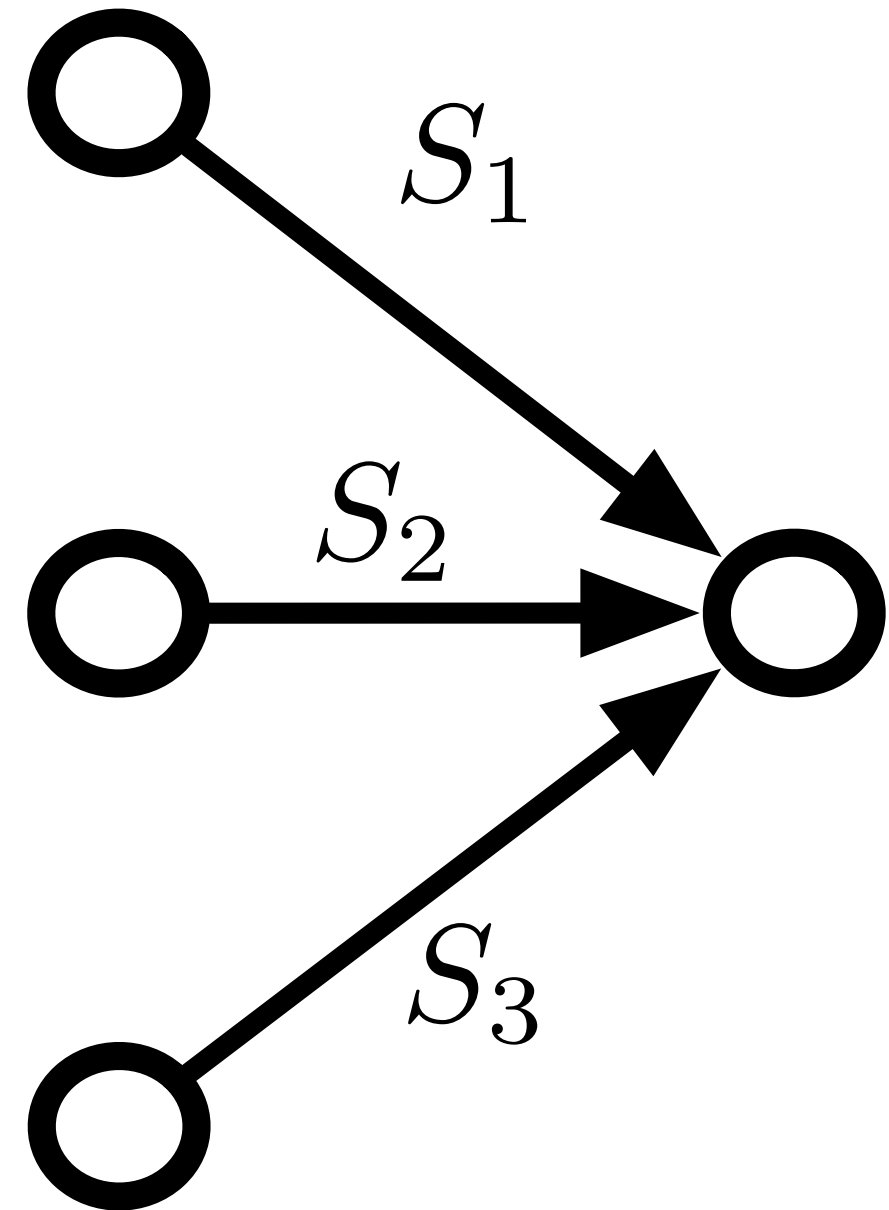
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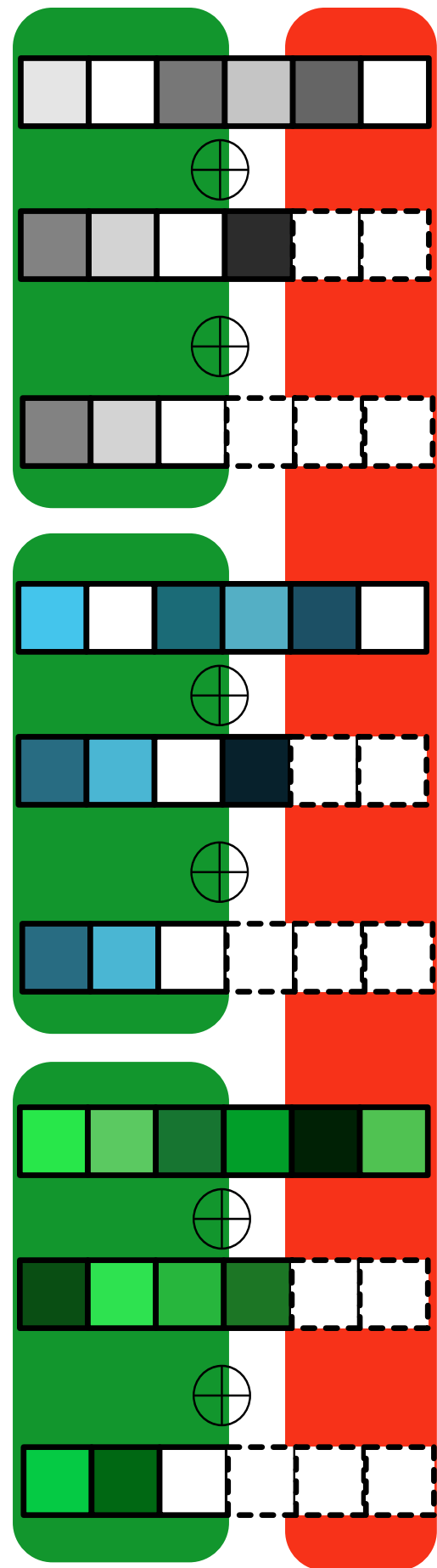
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Common message

# Beyond 2 users - MAC with common messages



→ Private message

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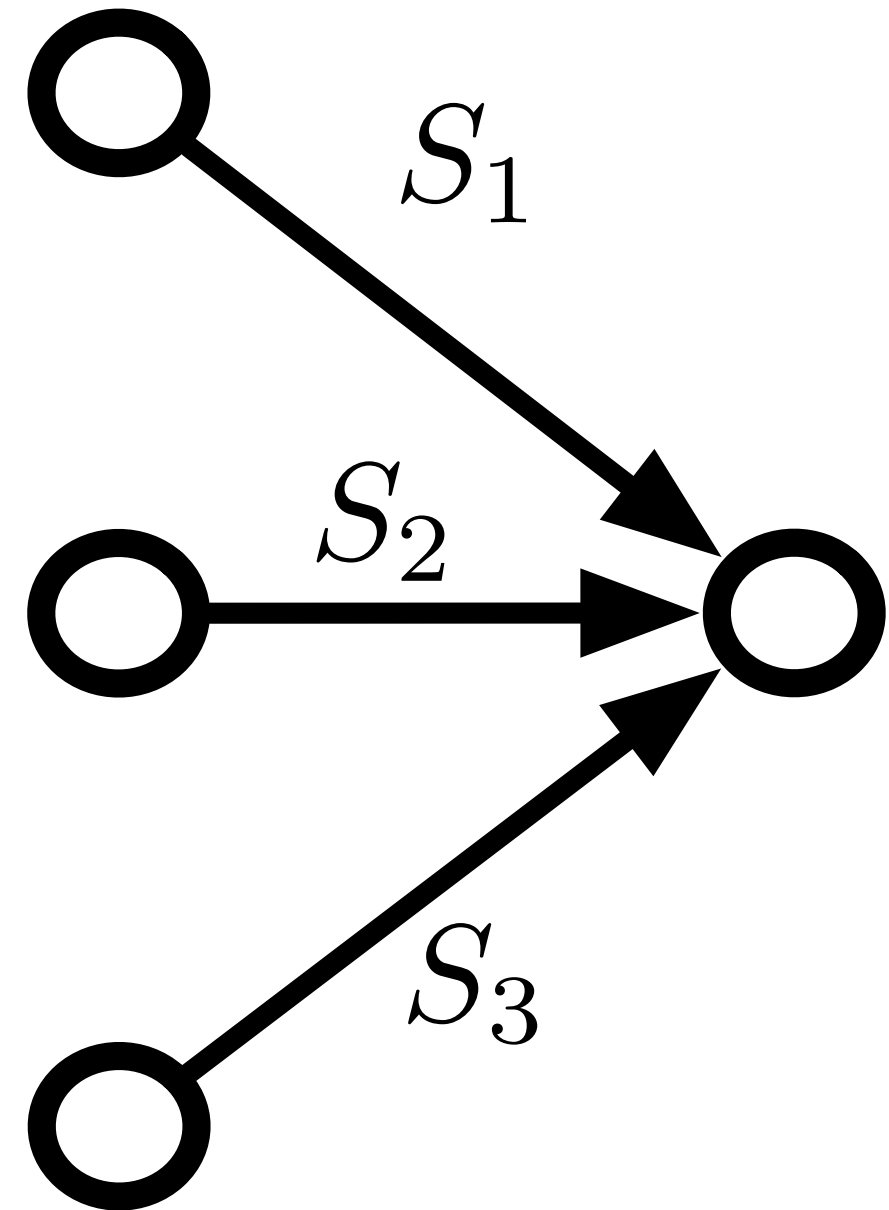
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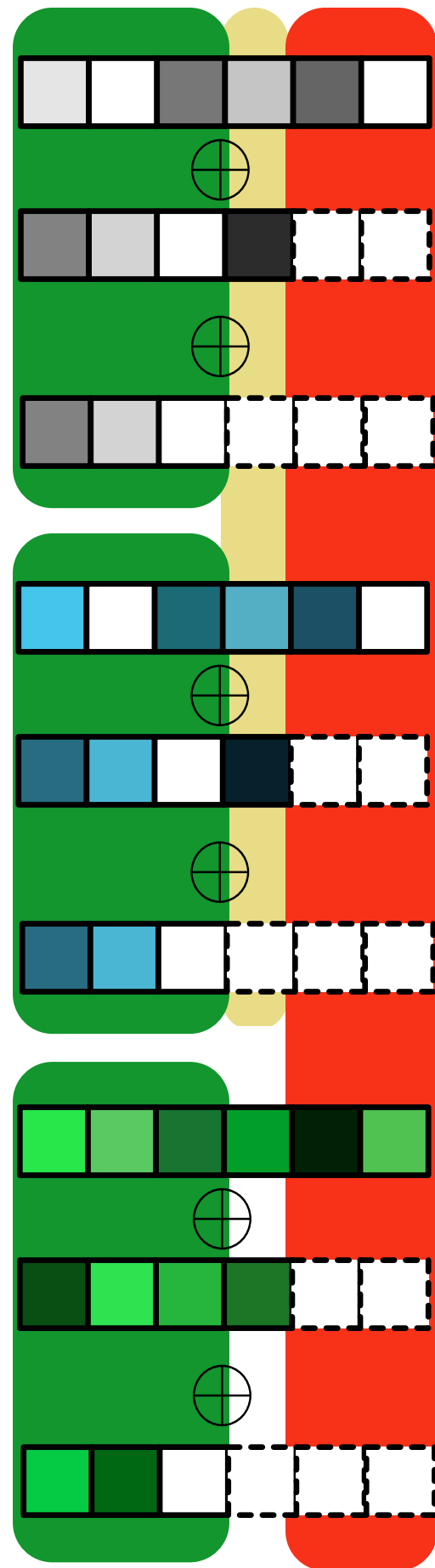
→ Private message

$$\mathbf{u}_3 = a_{31}\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus a_{32}\mathbf{w}_2 \oplus a_{33}\mathbf{w}_3$$

→ Common message



# Beyond 2 users - MAC with common messages



→ Private message

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = a_{11}\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus a_{12}\mathbf{w}_2 \oplus a_{13}\mathbf{w}_3$$

→ Common message (1,2)

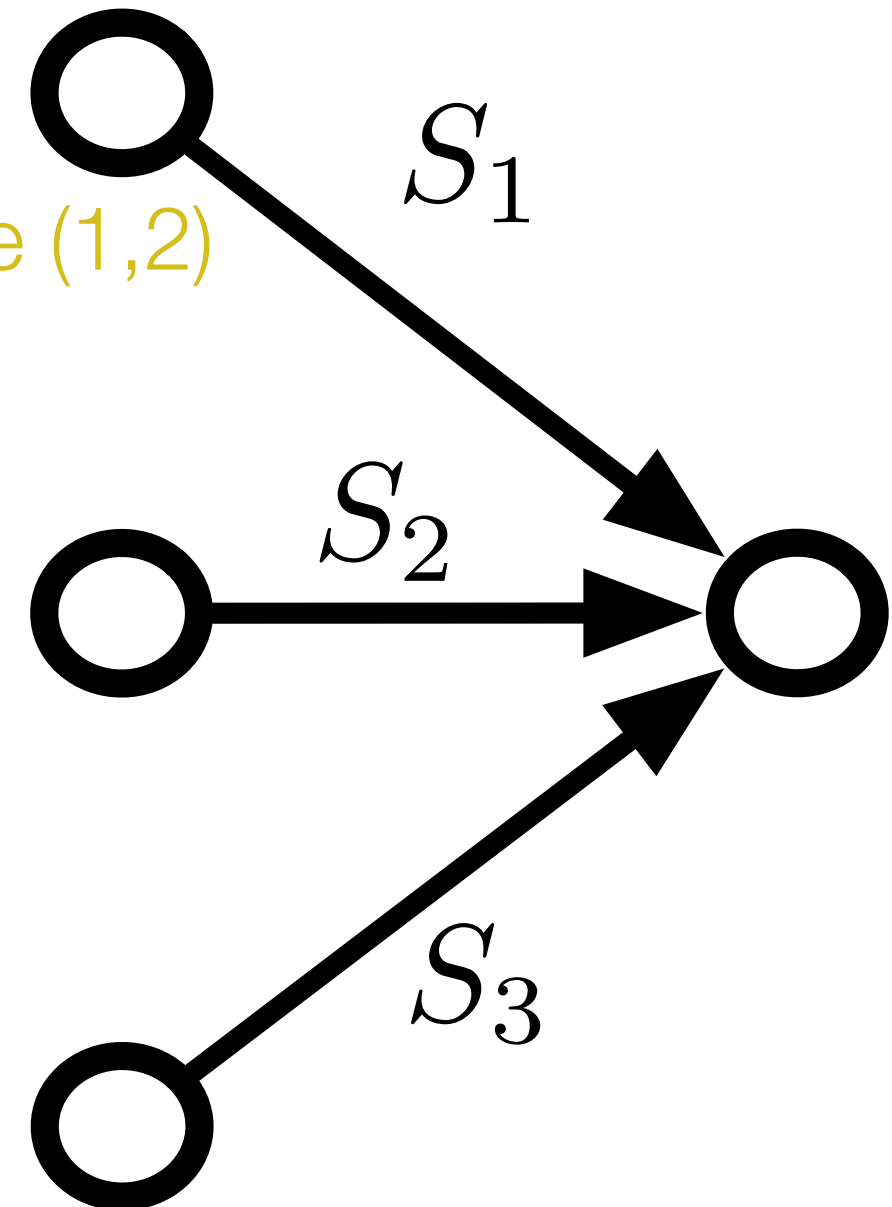
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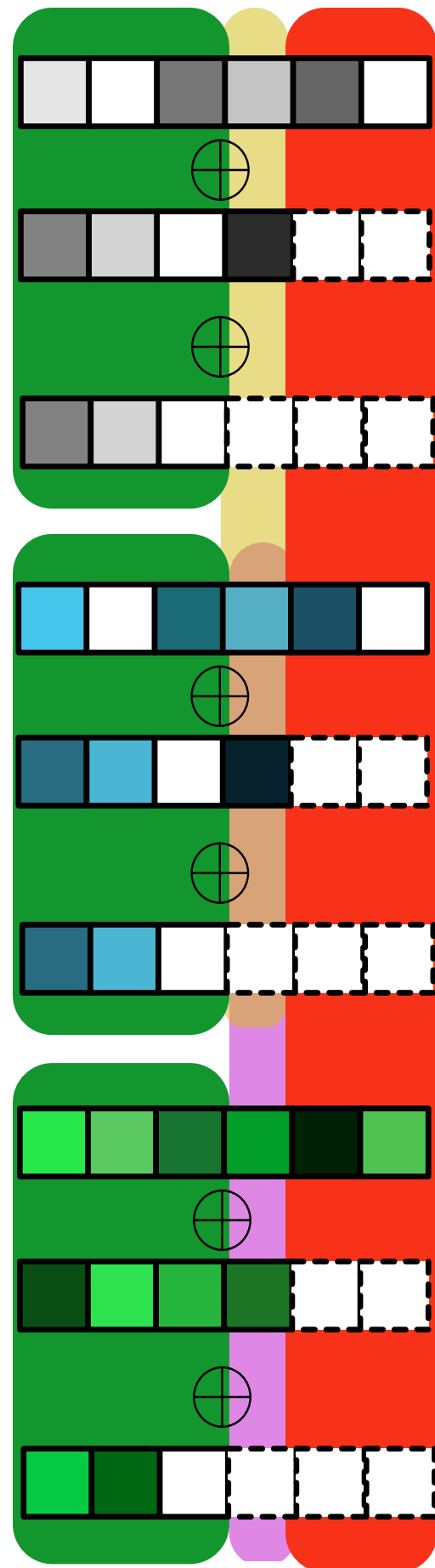
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→ Common message





# Beyond 2 users - MAC with common messages



Private message

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Common message (1,2)

Private message

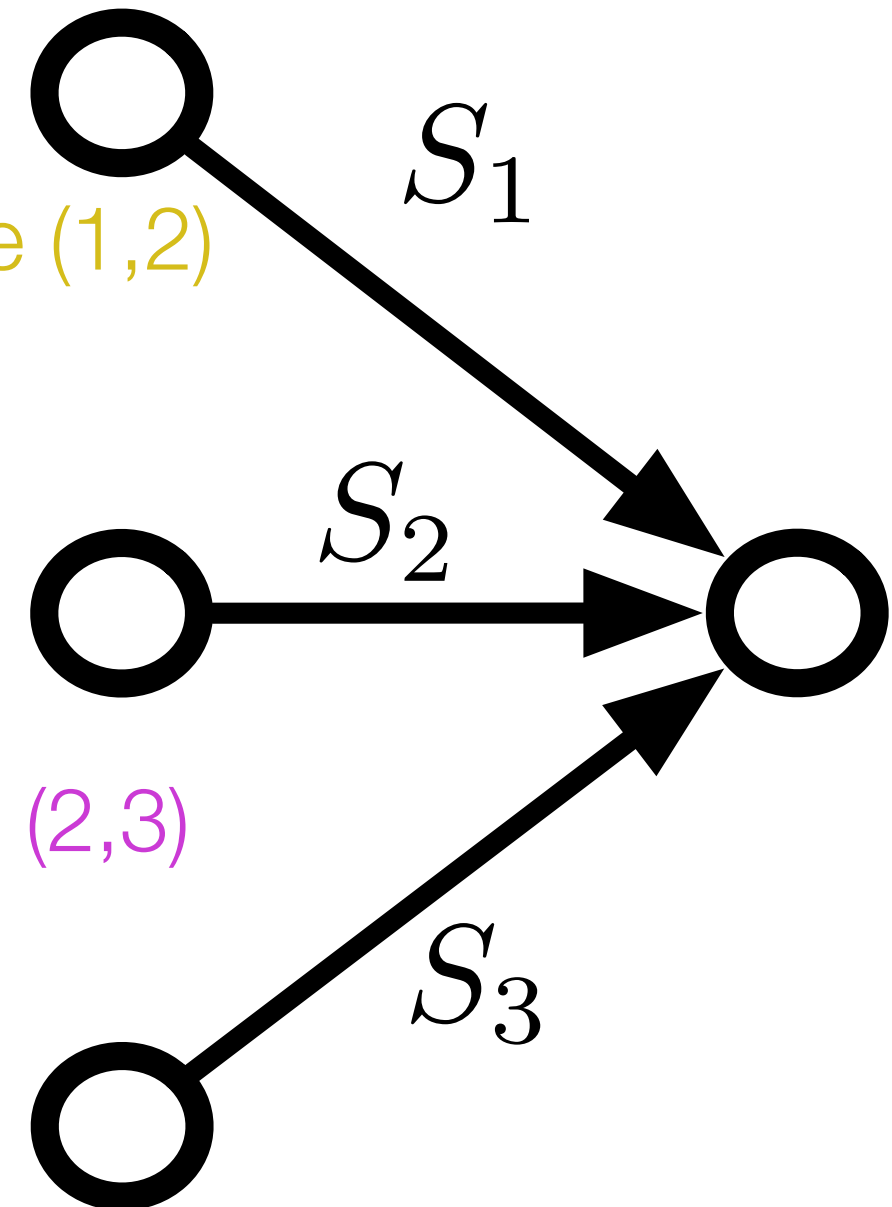
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Common message (2,3)

Private message

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Common message



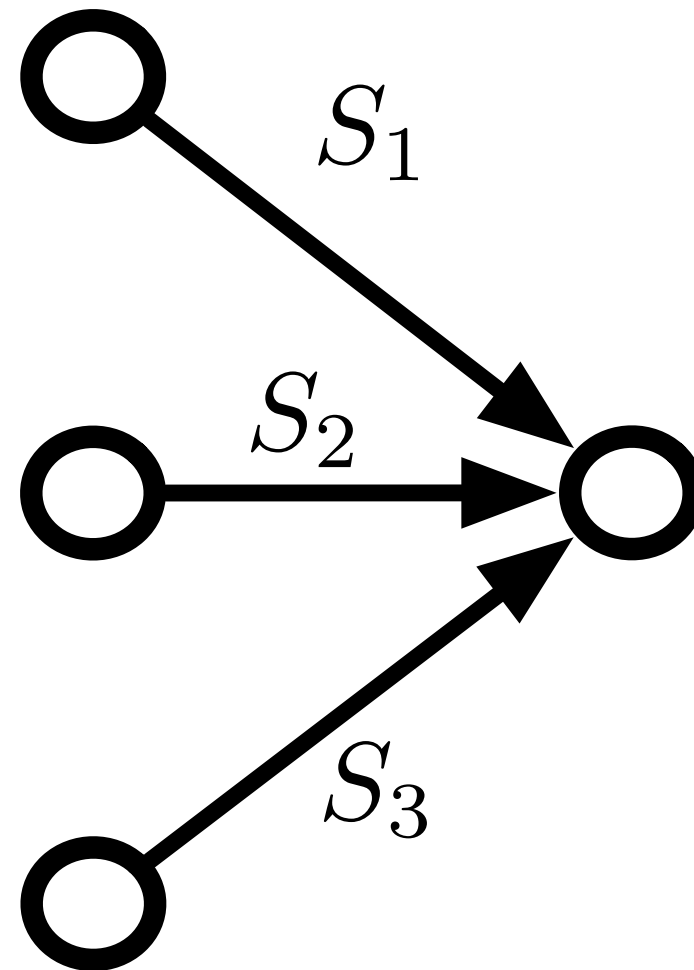
# Beyond 2 users - Message and equation alignment

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$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2 \oplus \mathbf{w}_3$$

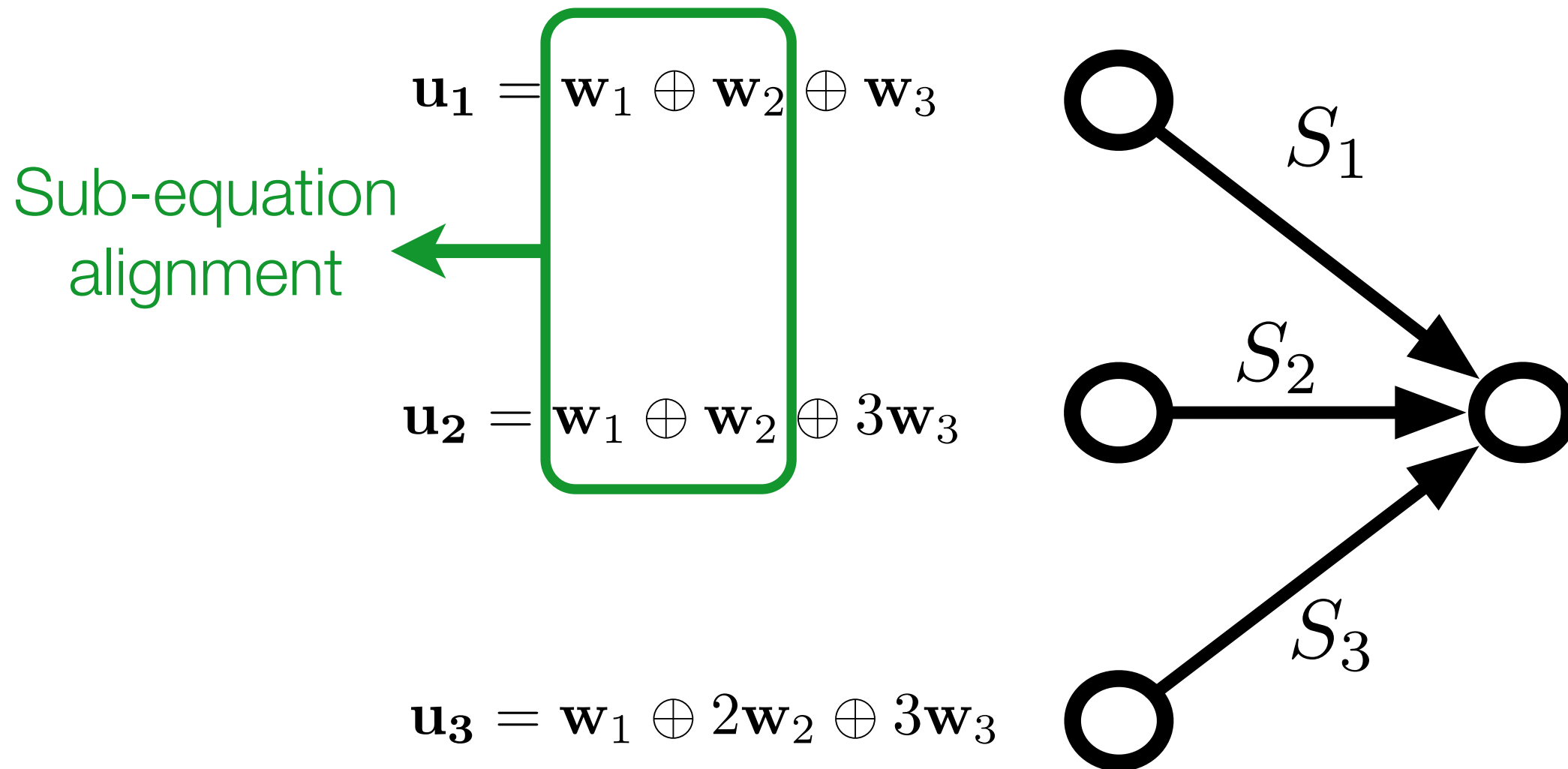
$$\mathbf{u}_2 = \mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2 \oplus 3\mathbf{w}_3$$

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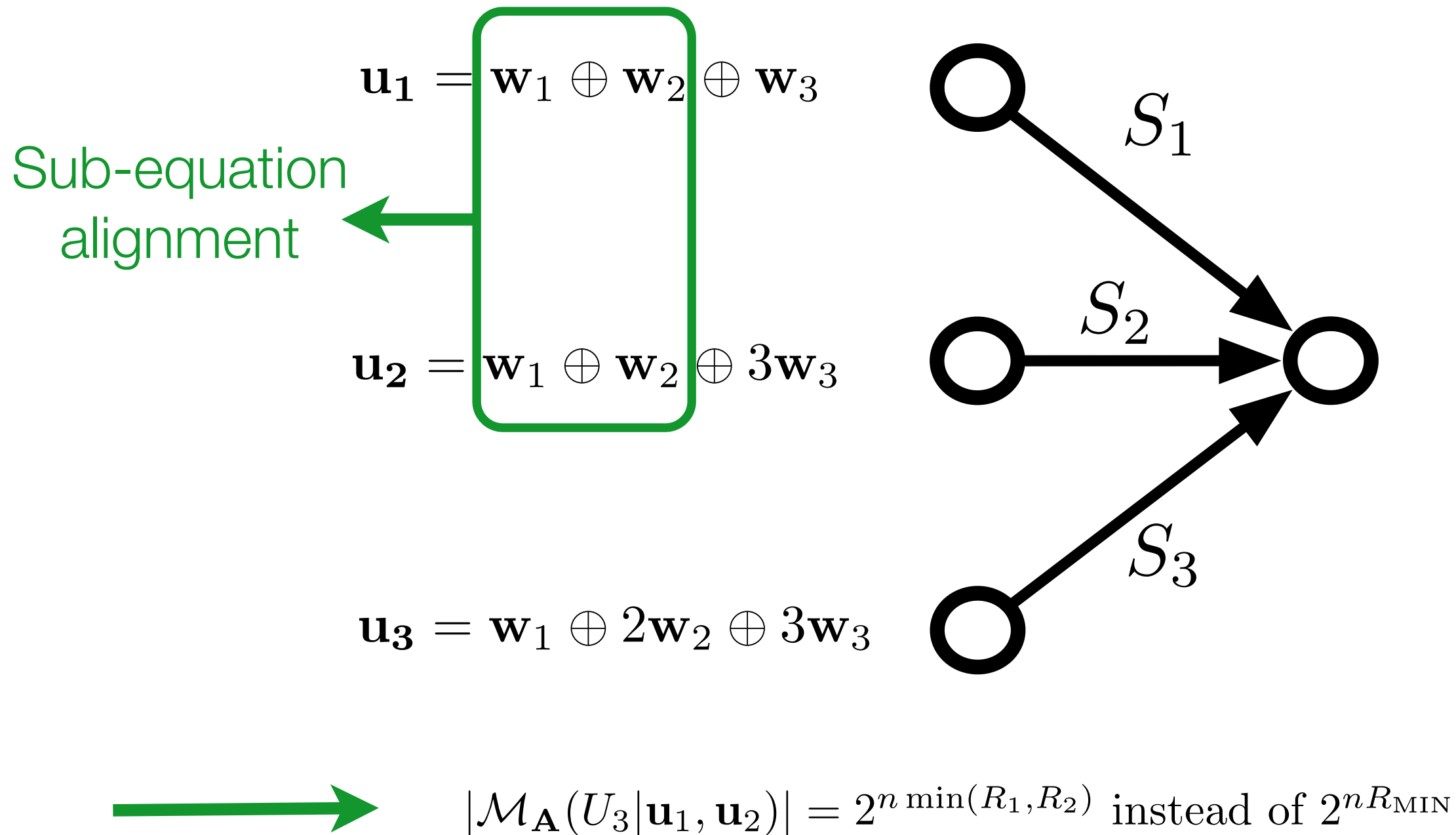


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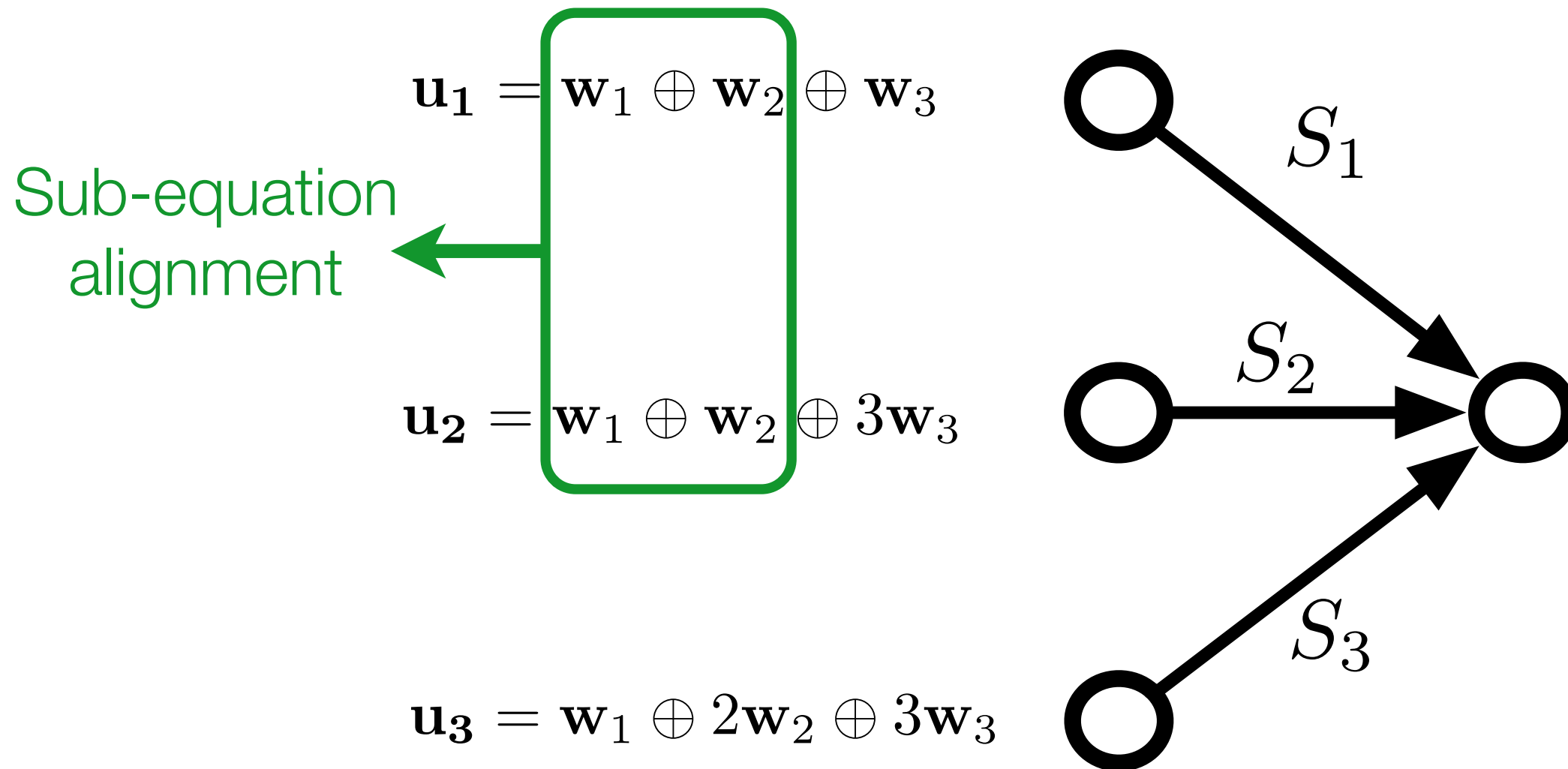
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# Beyond 2 users - Message and equation alignment



# Beyond 2 users - Message and equation alignment



→  $|\mathcal{M}_A(U_3|\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2)| = 2^{n \min(R_1, R_2)}$  instead of  $2^{n R_{\text{MIN}}}$

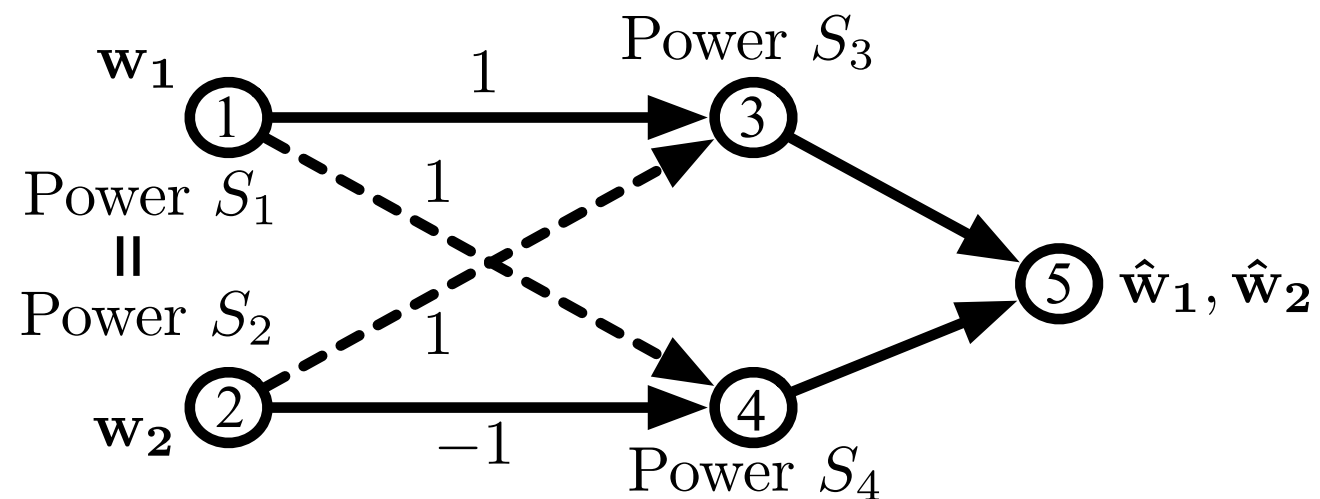
→ Changes region!

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# Case study: exploiting interference



CF

$$R_1 < \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1}{2} + S \right),$$

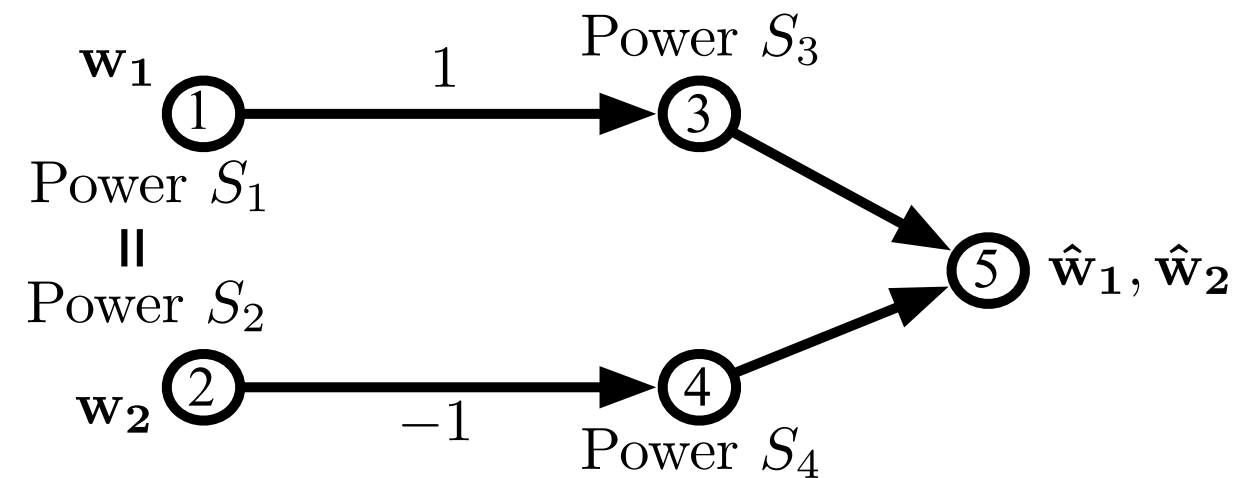
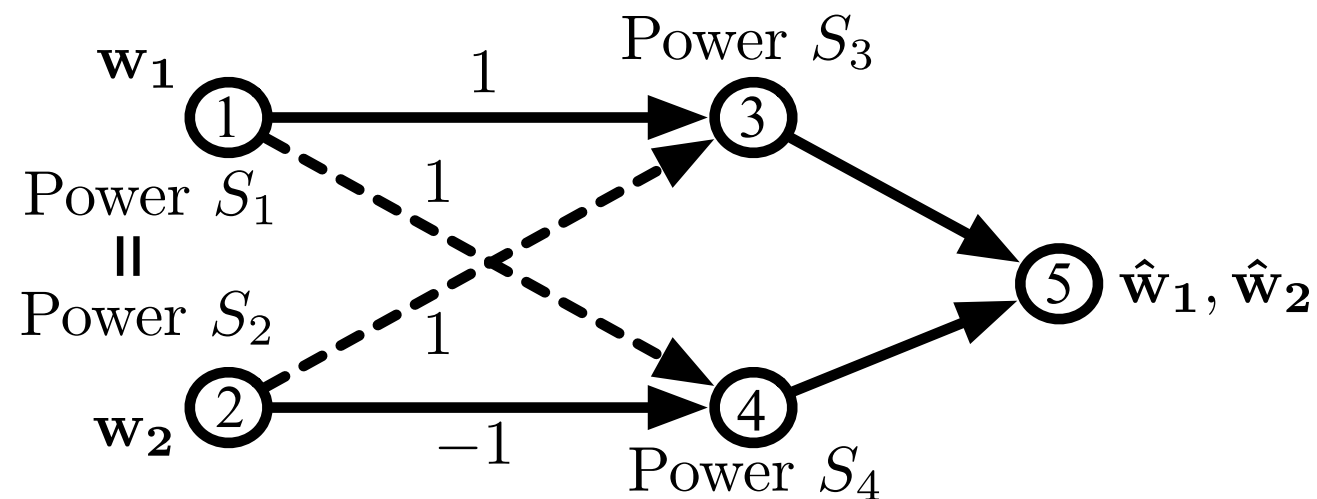
$$R_2 < \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1}{2} + S \right),$$

$$\min(R_1, R_2) < \min \left( \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + S_3), \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + S_4) \right)$$

$$R_1 + R_2 < \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + S_3 + S_4).$$

ICF

# Case study: exploiting interference



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ICF

No interference

$$R_1 < \min \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + S), \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + S_3) \right\}$$

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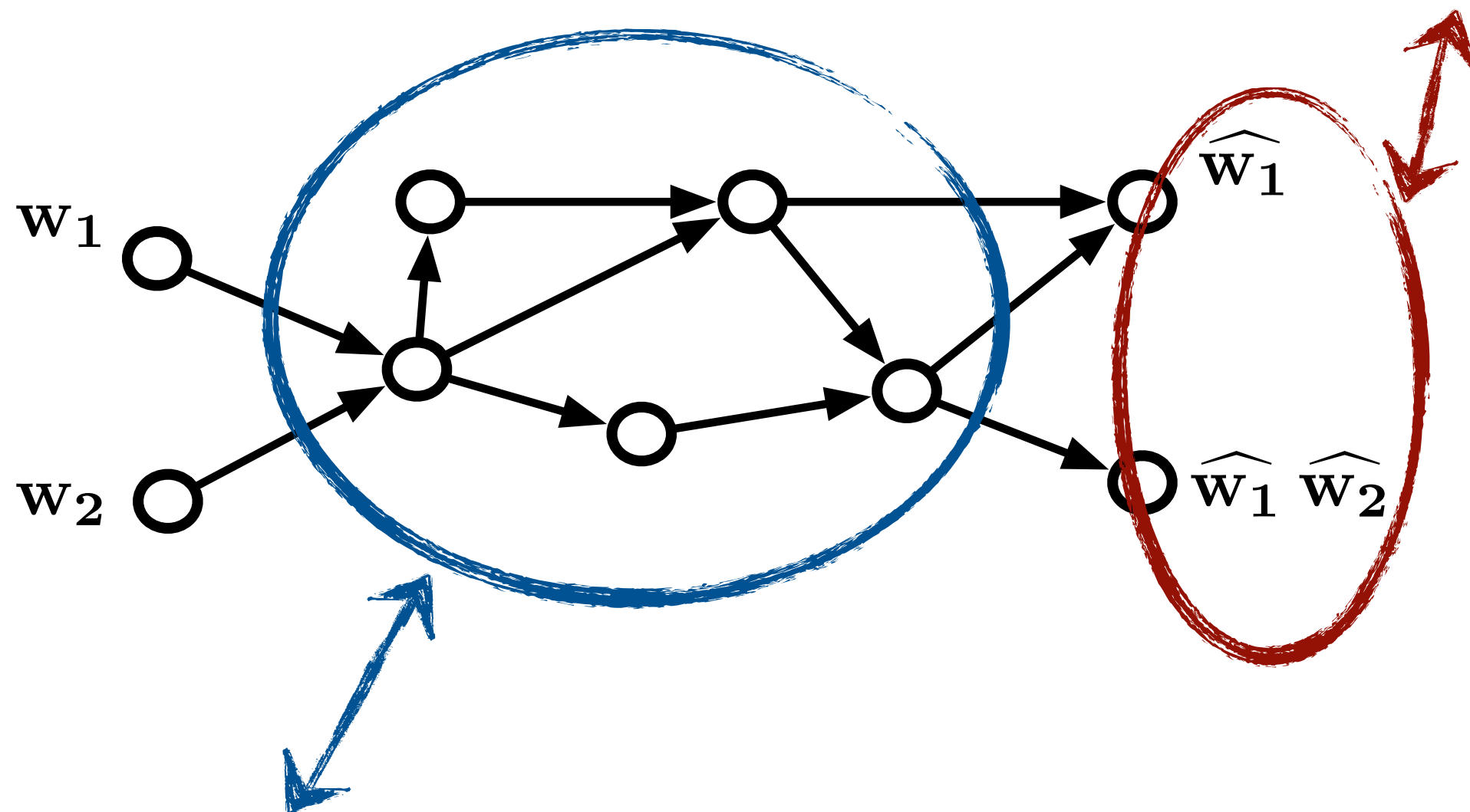
$$R_1 + R_2 < \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + S_3 + S_4).$$



# Conclusion

**Combine for a unified rate region!**

Inverse  
Compute and forward to  
extract messages



Compute and forward to decode  $a\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus b\mathbf{w}_2$

