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How Fair is Your Protocol?

A Utility-based Approach to Protocol Optimality

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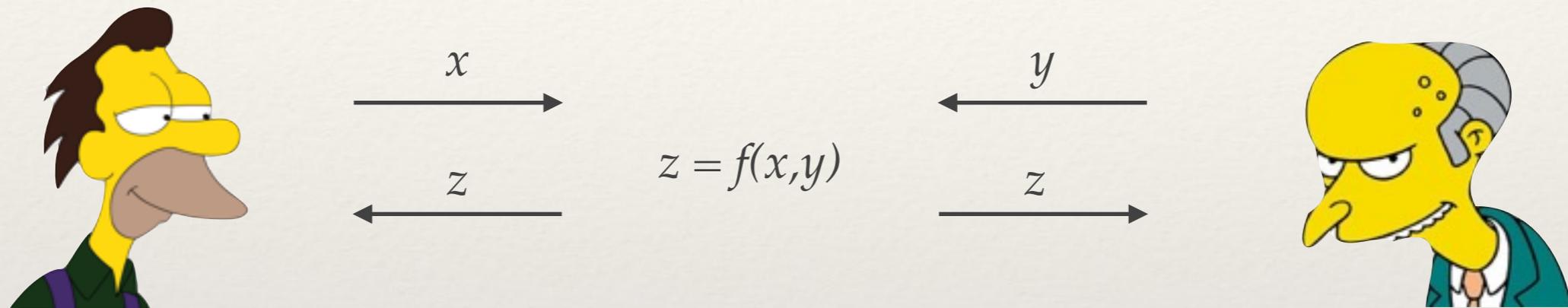
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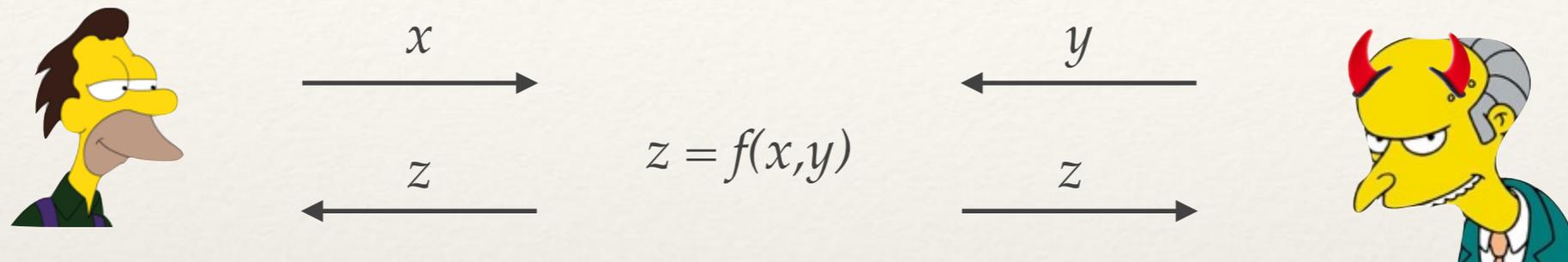
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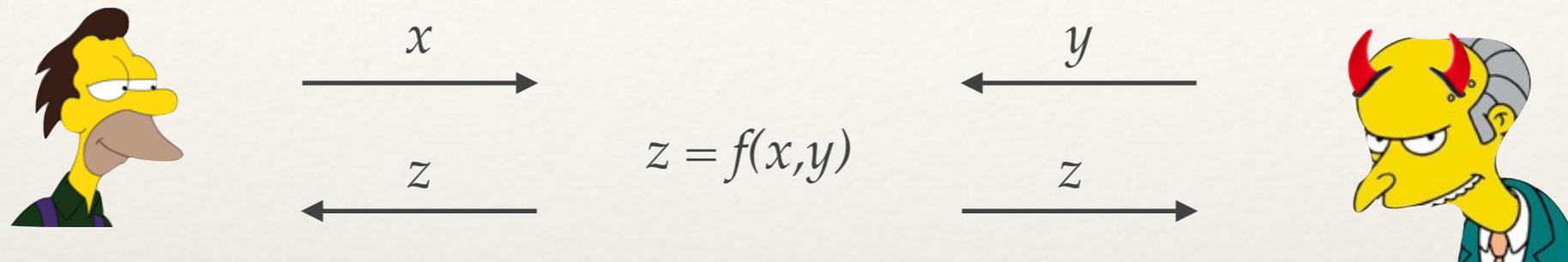
- “if one party learns the output, the other party also learns it,”
- generally impossible in 2PC [Cleve, STOC’86].

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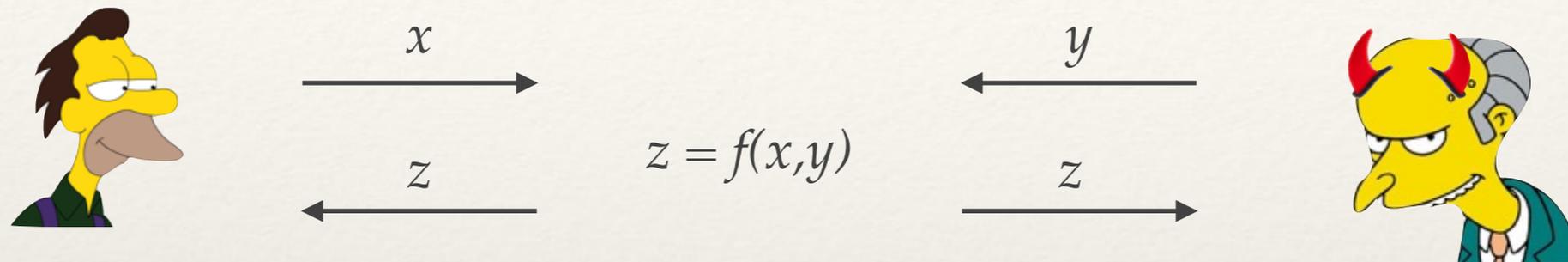
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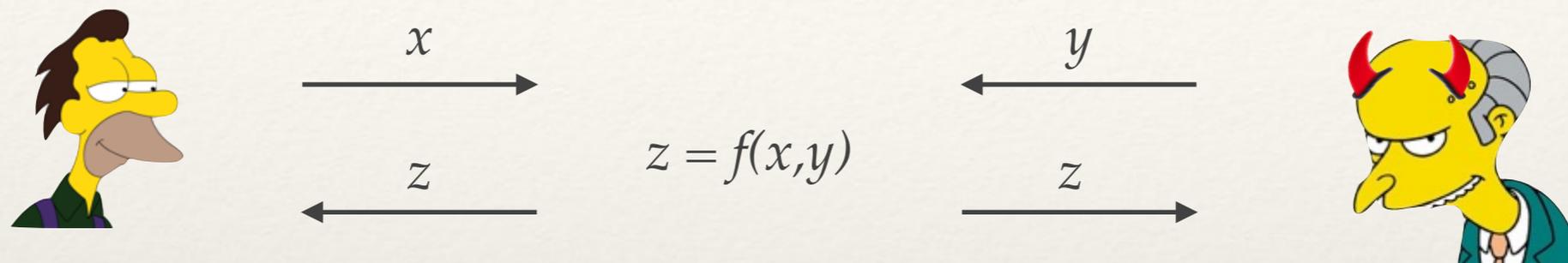


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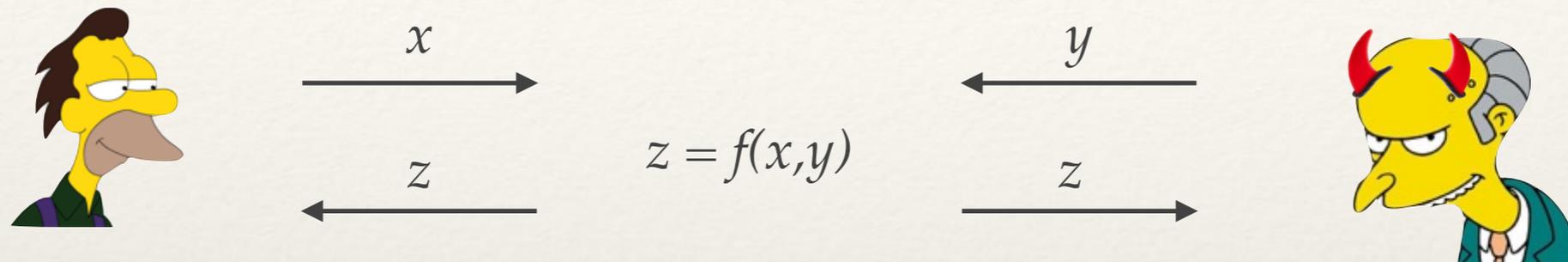
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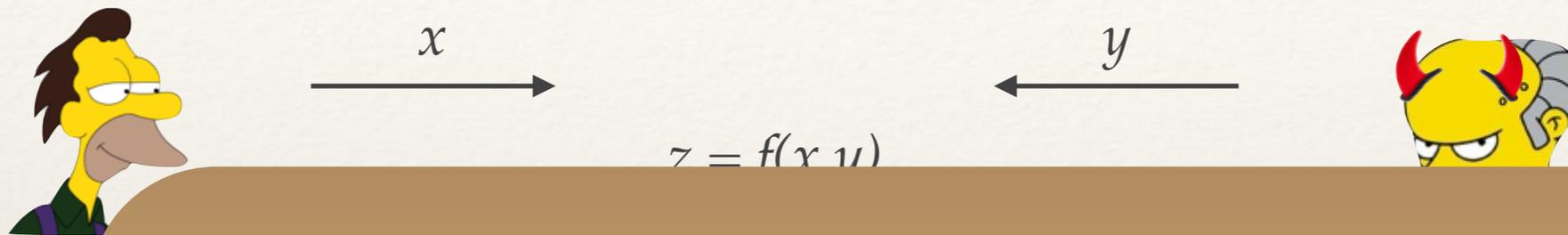
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Protocol comparison and optimality:

- the utilities for the individual outcomes define an expected payoff for each adversarial strategy,
- a protocol is *better* (fairer) if the expected payoff of the *best* adversarial strategy is smaller.

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Other Relaxed Notions of Fairness

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Rational Protocol Design



Protocol Designer

Protocol π



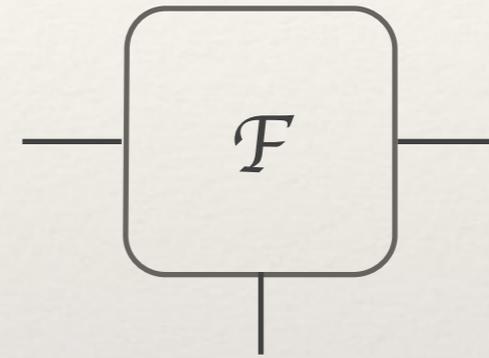
Adversary strategy for π



Attacker

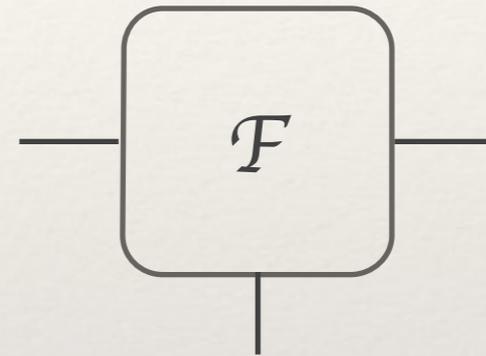
- Two-move “meta” game,
- zero-sum: $u_D = -u_A$,
- ϵ -subgame-perfect equilibrium.

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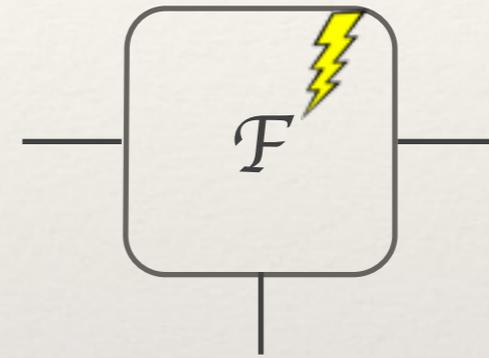
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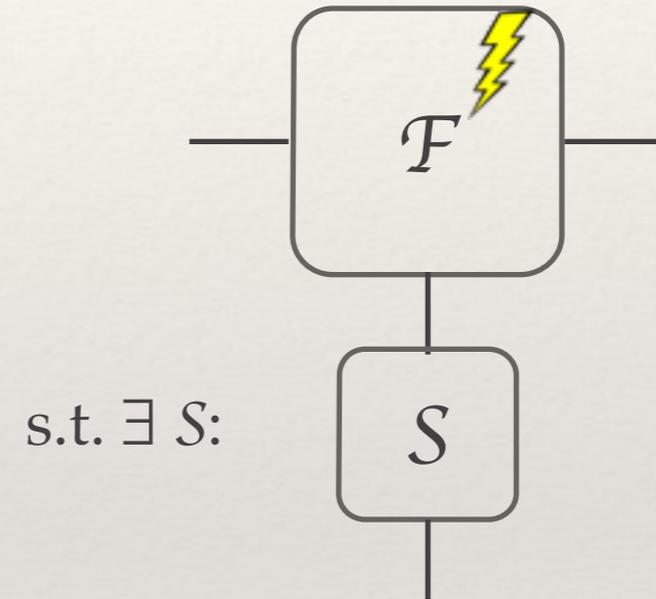
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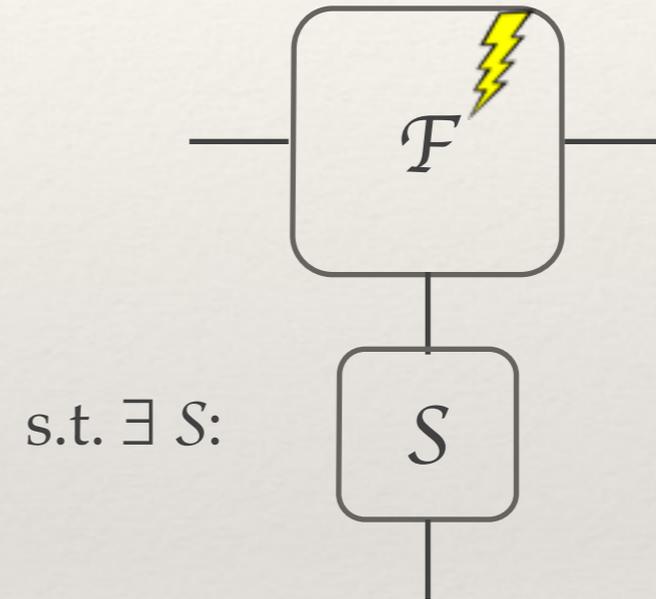
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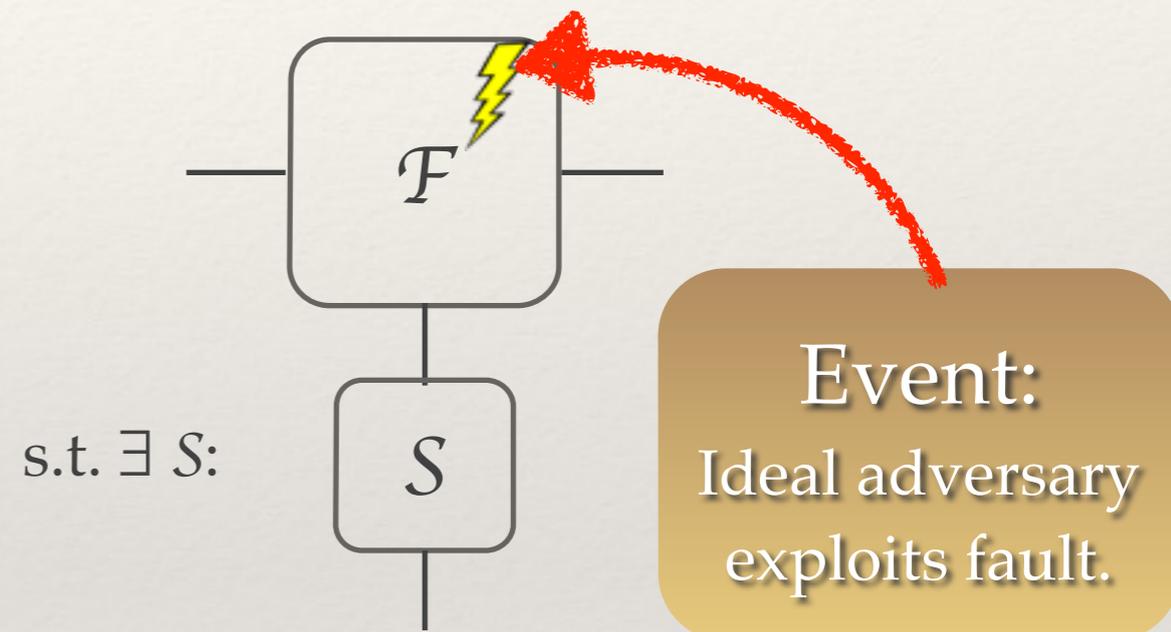
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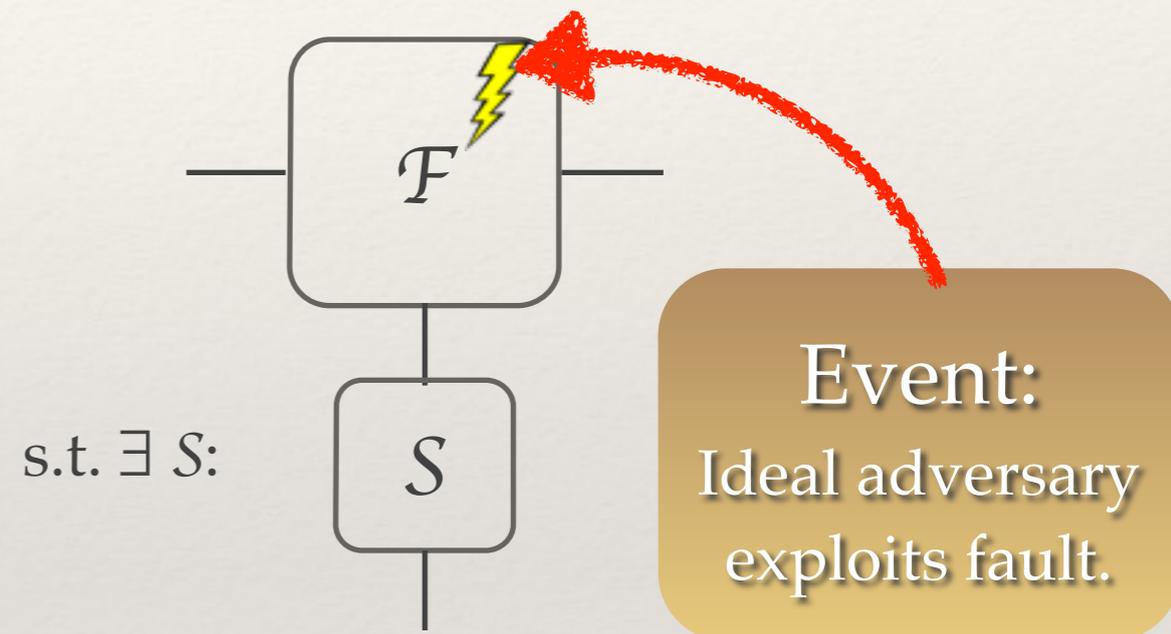


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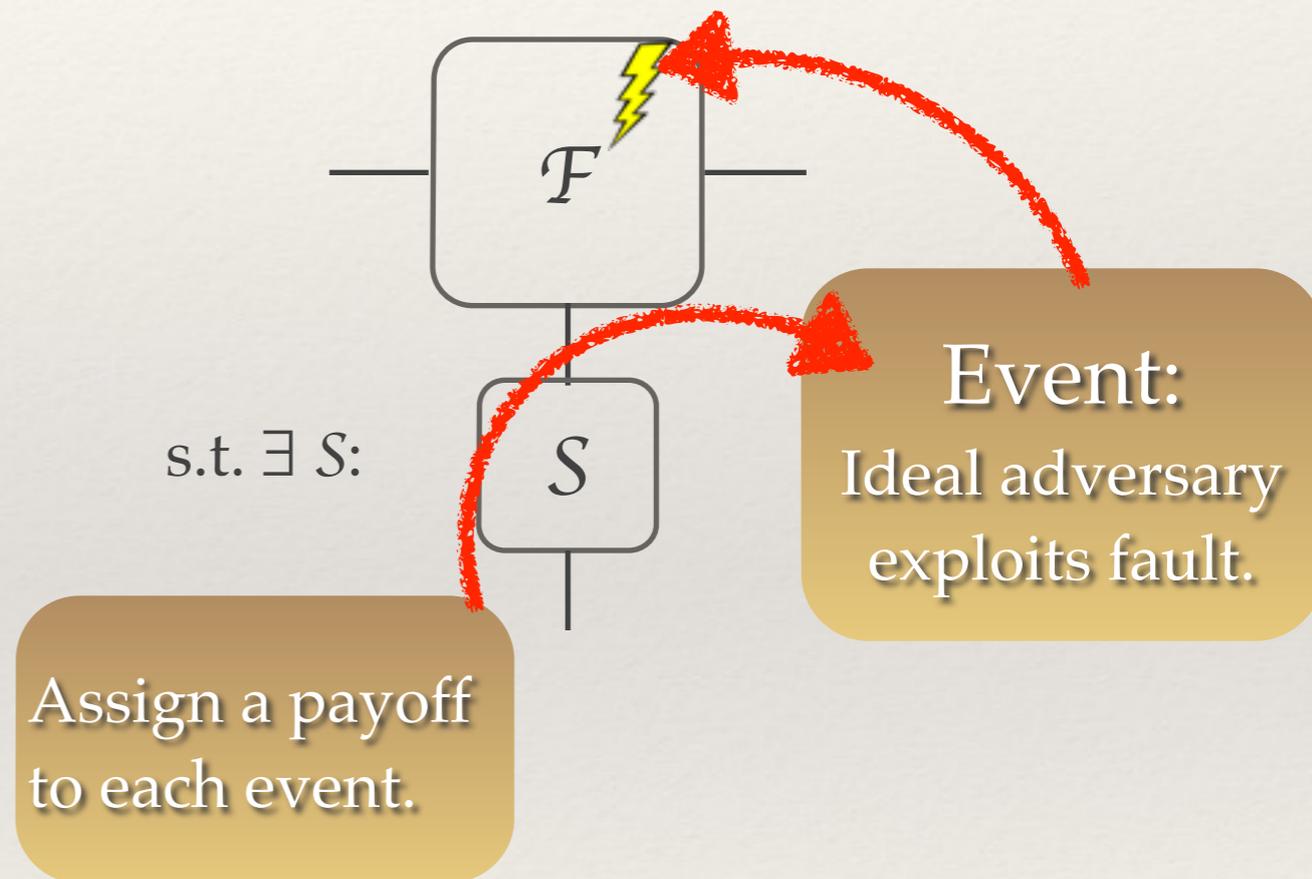


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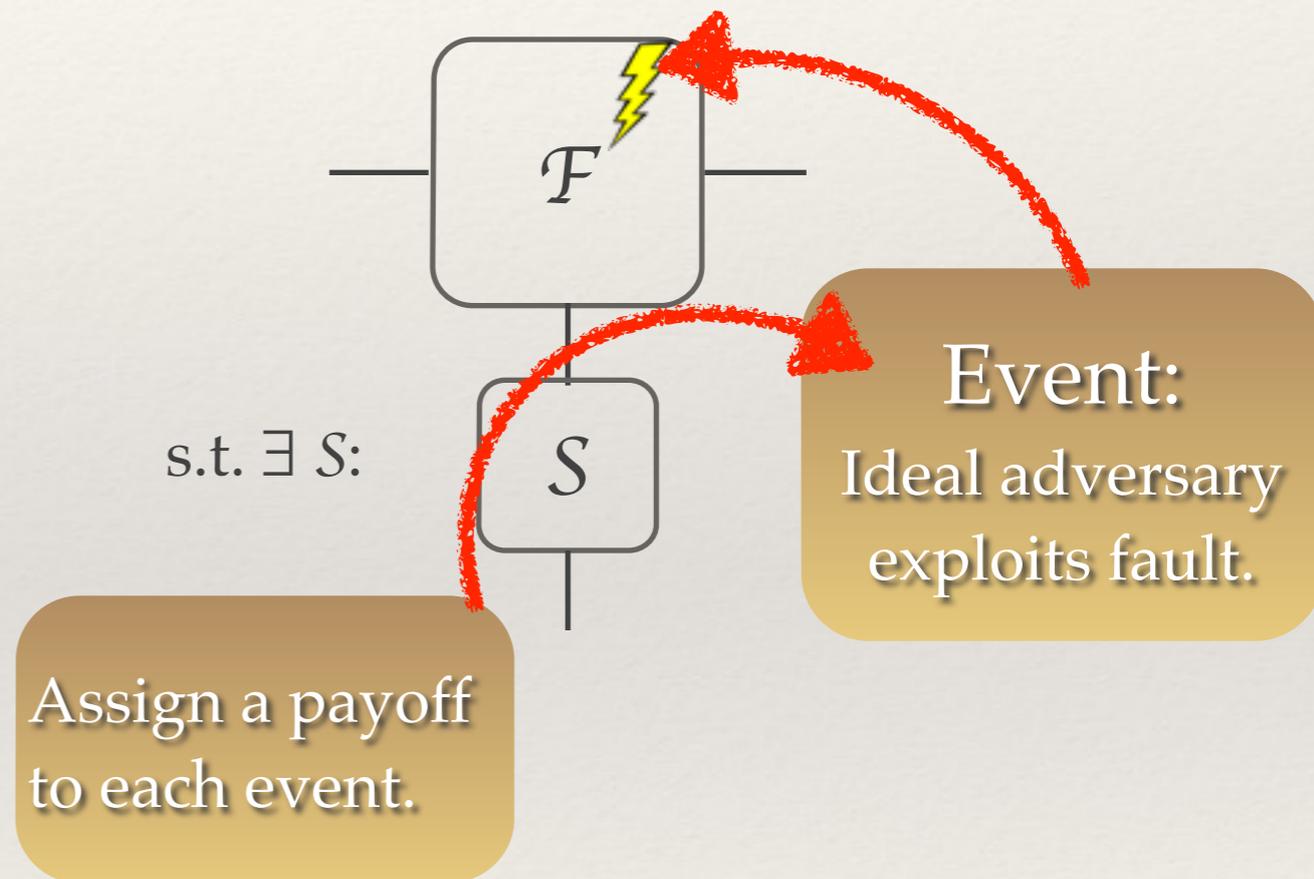


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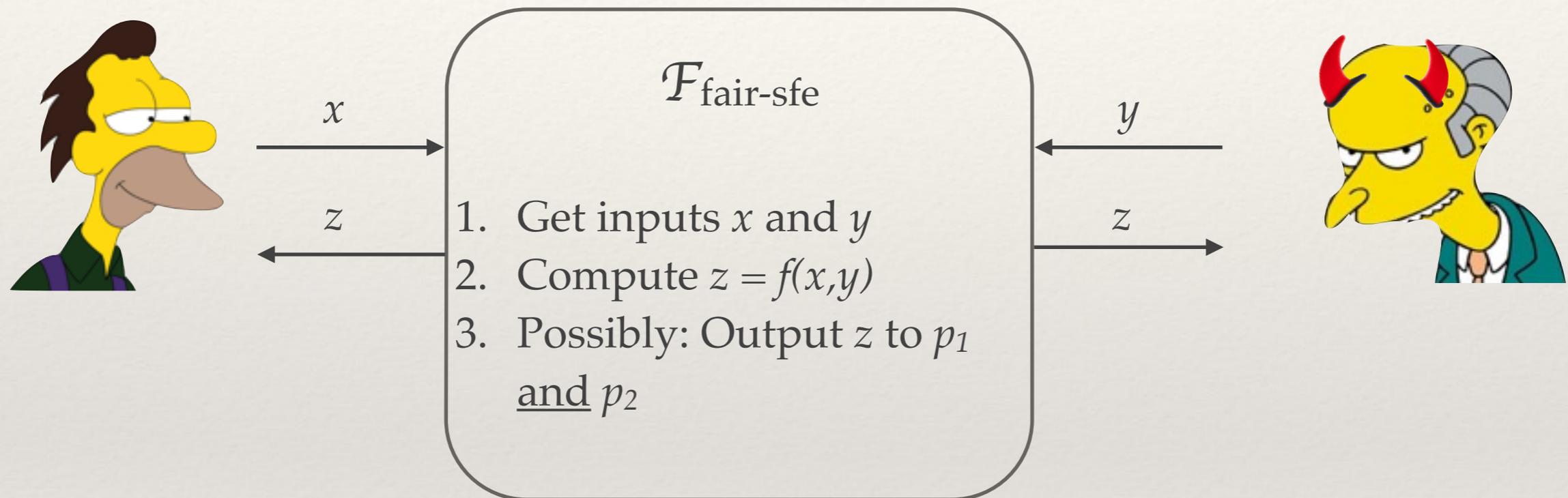
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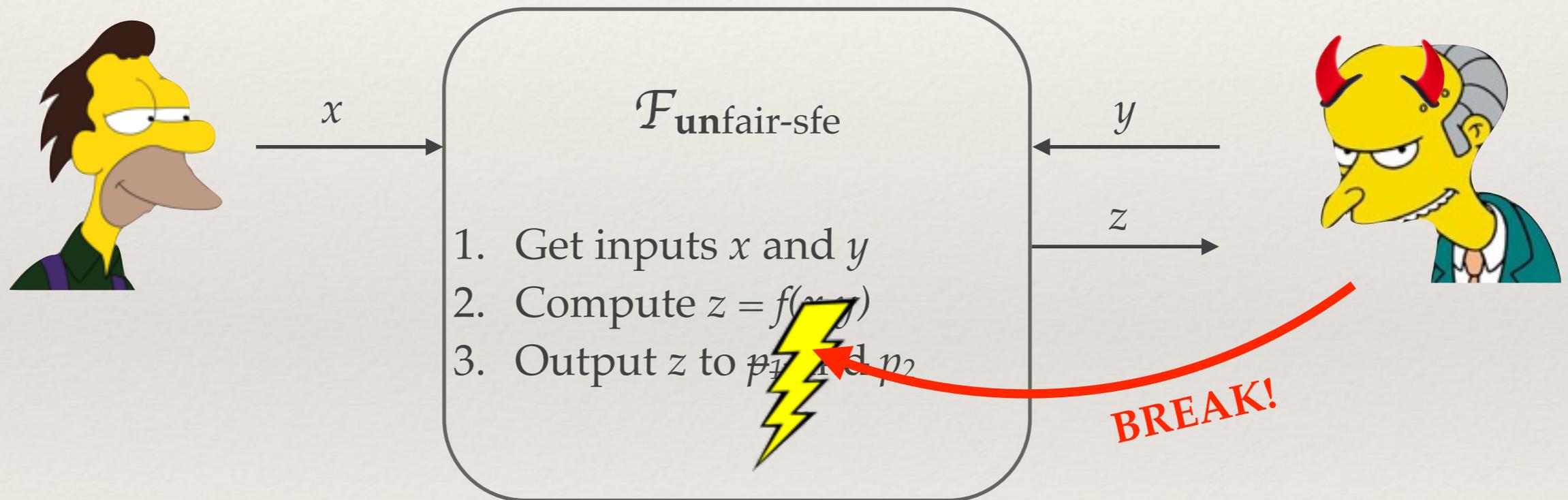
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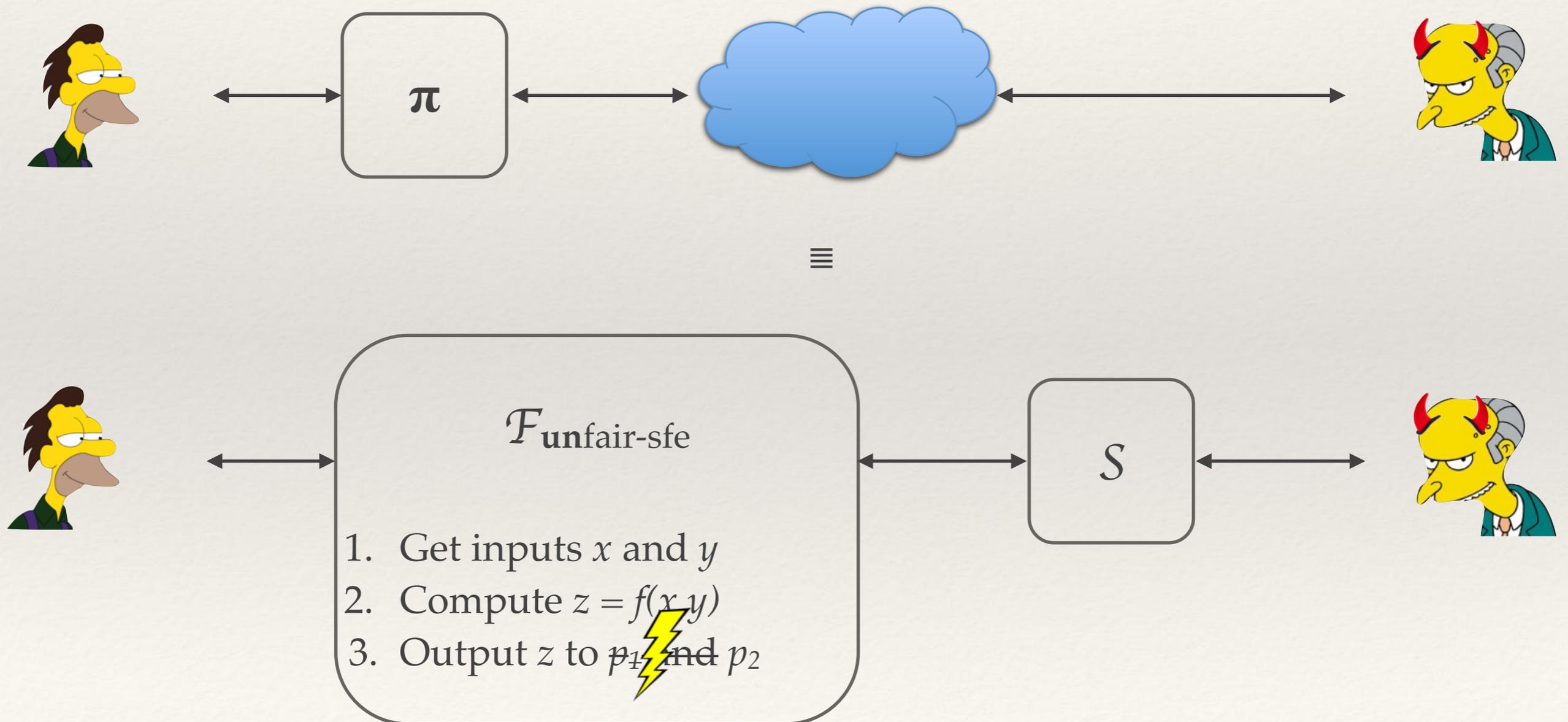
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Defining Fairness (3)

The protocol π realizes $\mathcal{F}_{\text{unfair-sfe}}$, i.e., there is S :



Defining Fairness (4)

Step 2: Define events in the *ideal* execution:

(a) Neither party gets the output: E_{00} , payoff γ_{00}

(b) Only honest party gets the output: E_{01} , payoff γ_{01}

(c) Only corrupted party gets the output: E_{10} , payoff γ_{10}

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Defining Fairness (5)

Step 3: Define the expected payoff for each S :

$$\text{payoff}(S) = \sum_{i,j \in \{0,1\}} \Pr(E_{ij}) \cdot \gamma_{ij}$$

The payoff of an adversary is the expected payoff of the *best* simulator:

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- secure w/o fairness (based on underlying SFE and repeat before leaking output)
- the simulator chooses i^* uniformly at random

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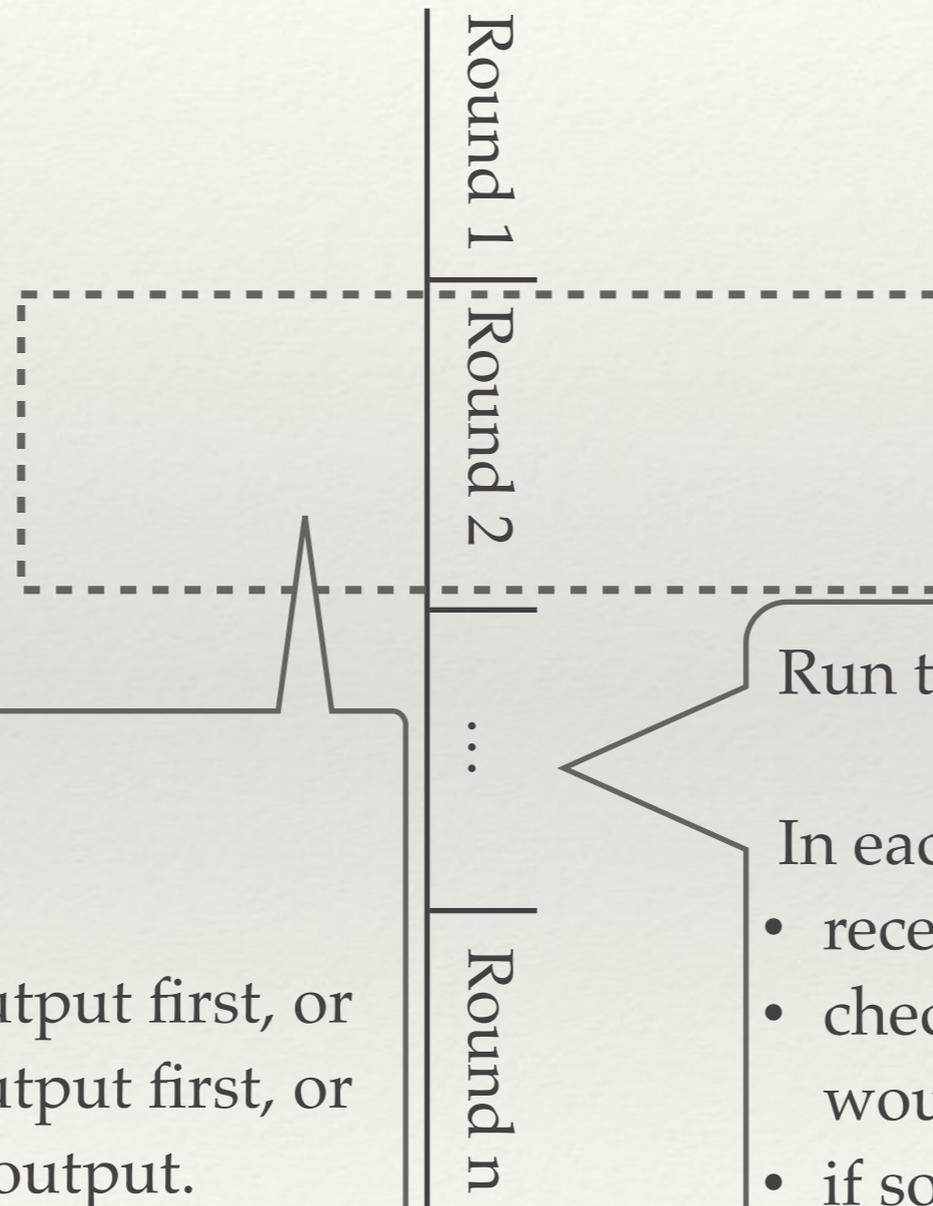
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Round 1

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- a protocol can be improved by never outputting to both in the same round
- at least one party is *first* with probability at least $1/2$

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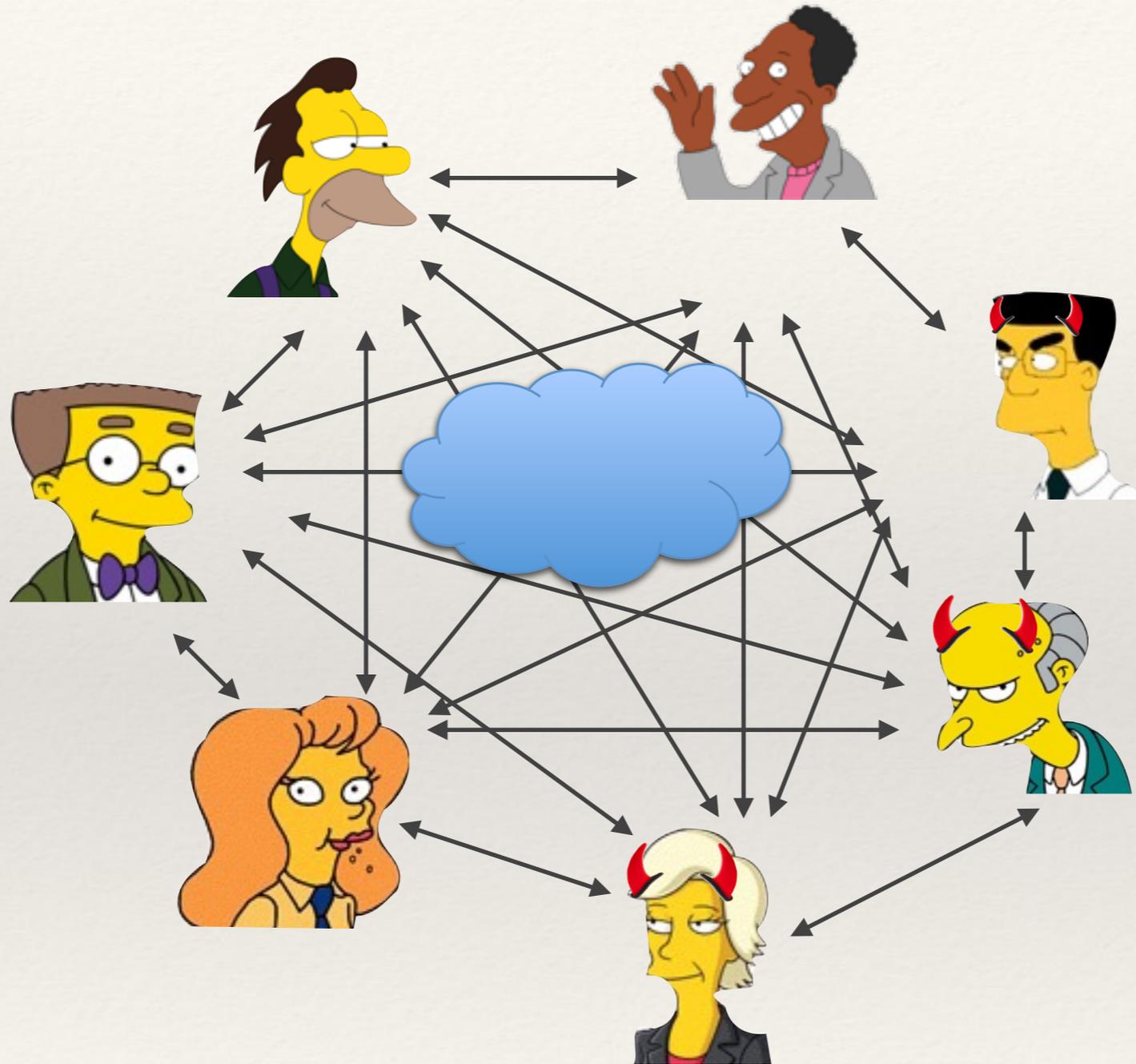
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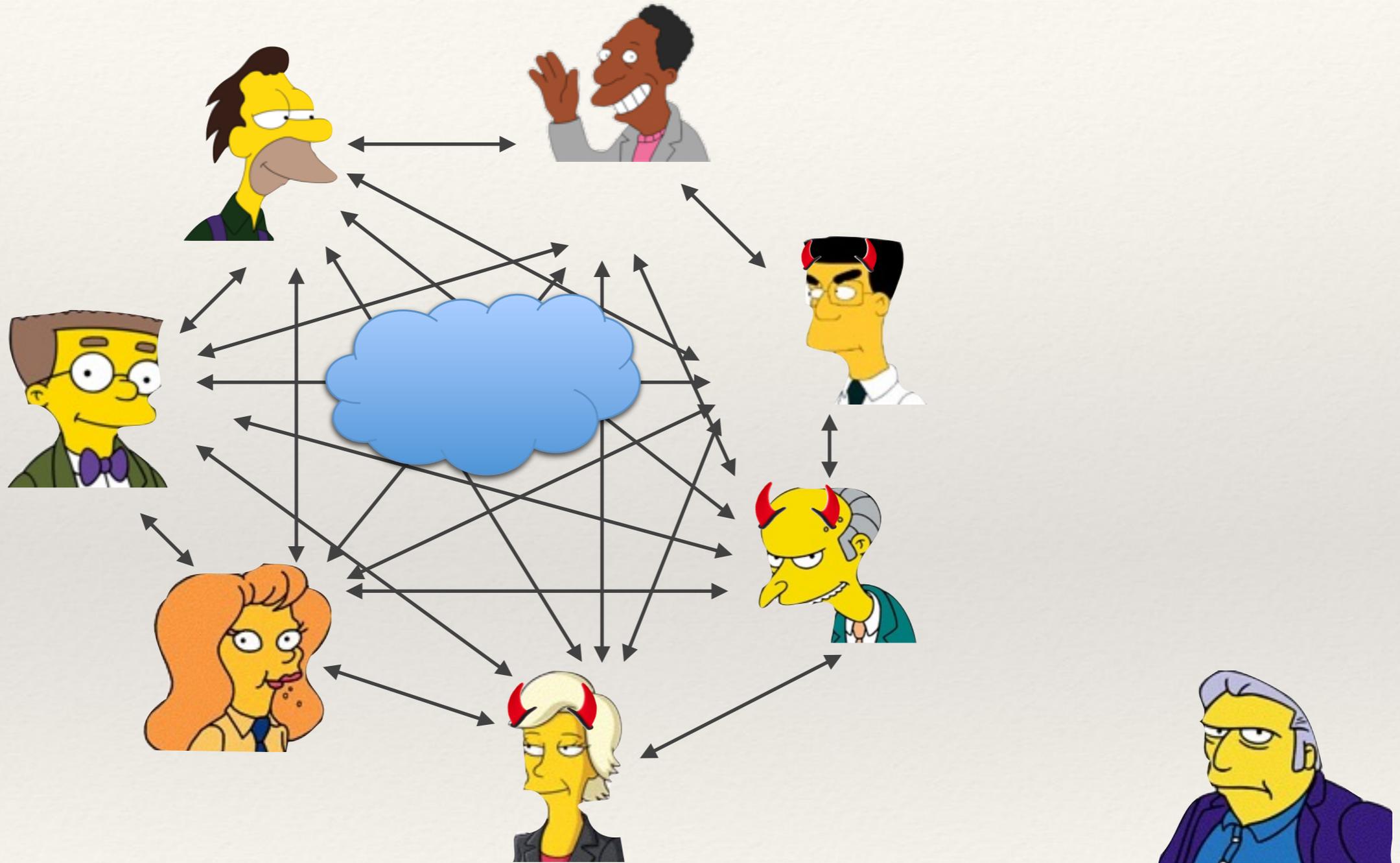
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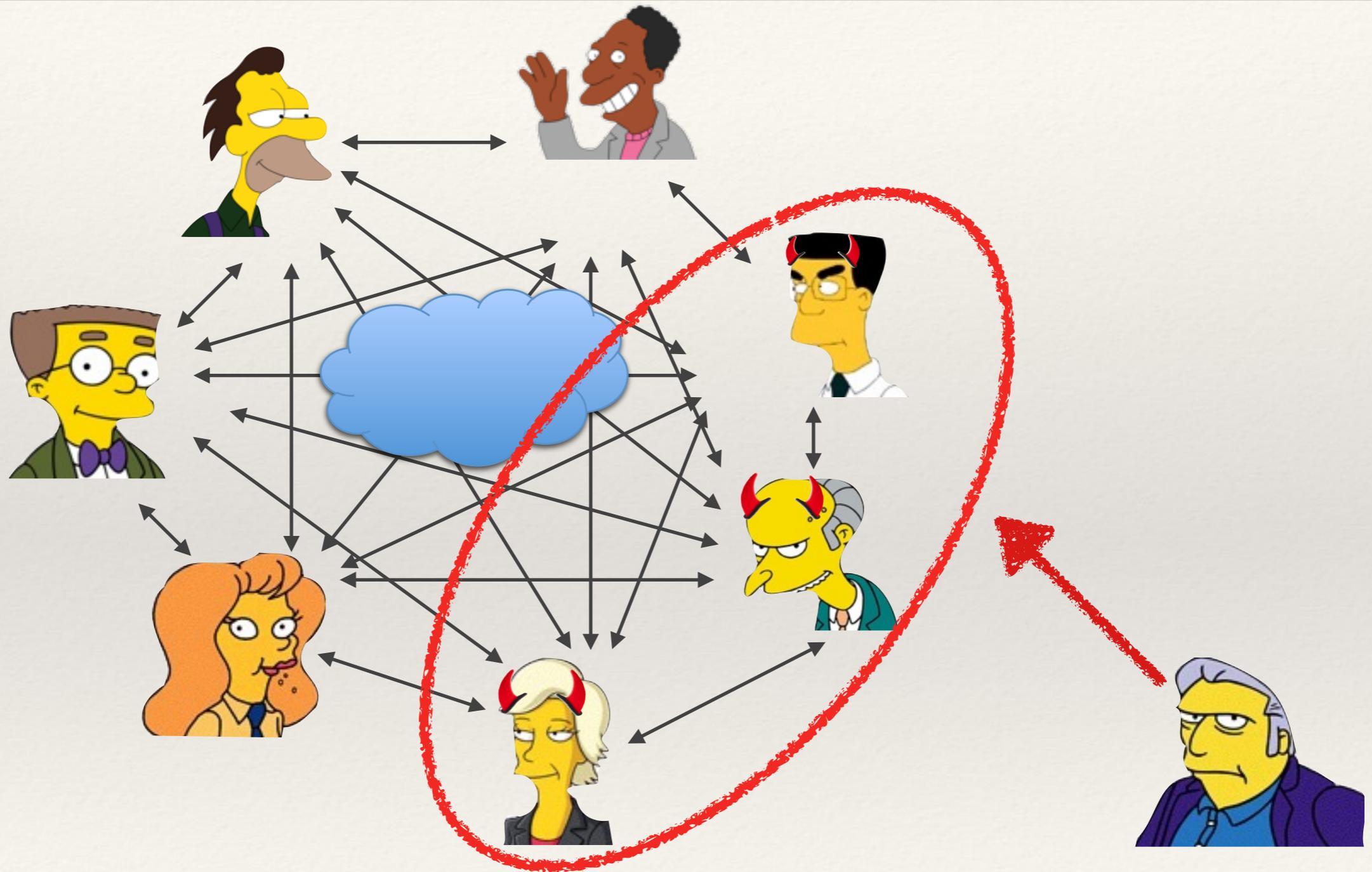
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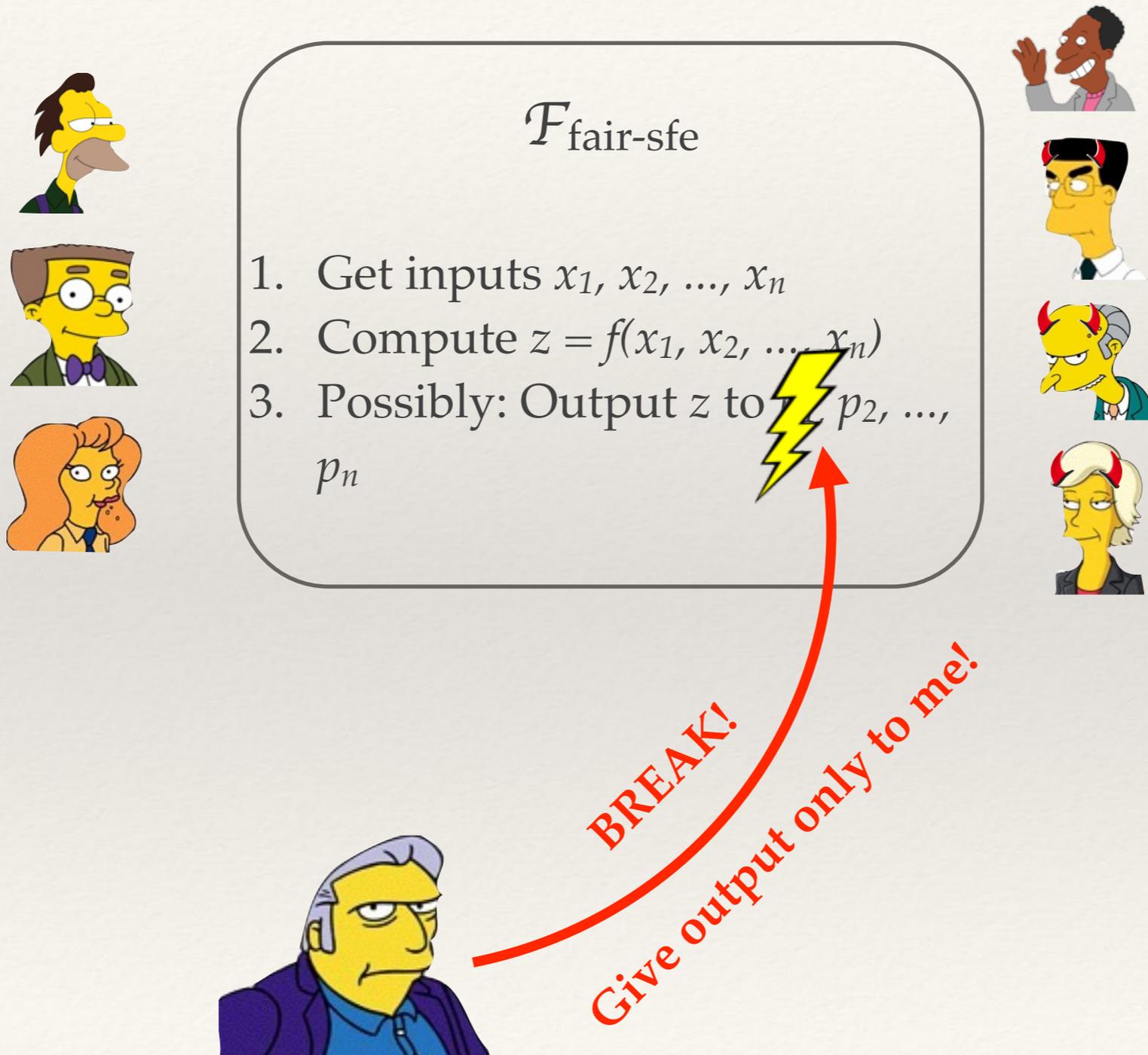


$\mathcal{F}_{\text{fair-sfe}}$

1. Get inputs x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n
2. Compute $z = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
3. Possibly: Output z to p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n



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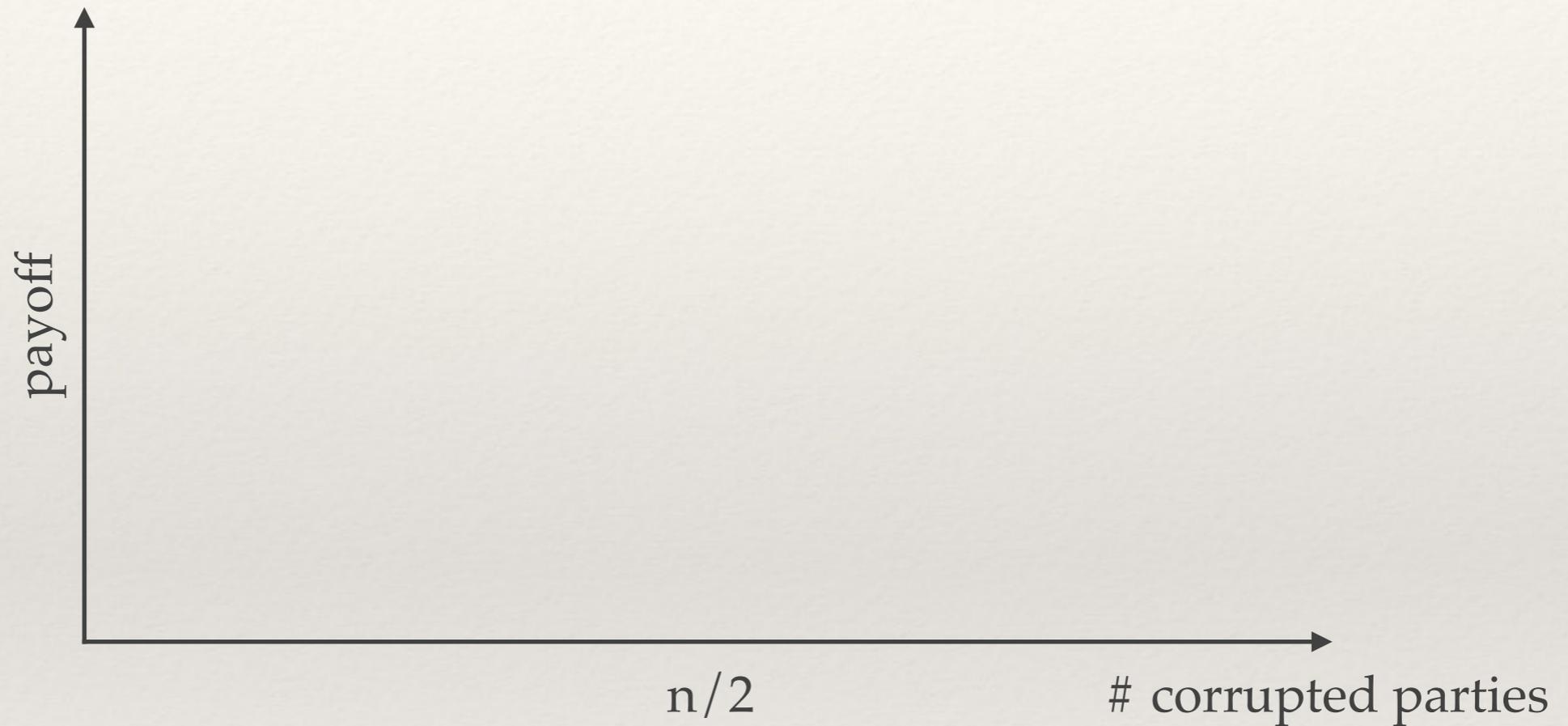
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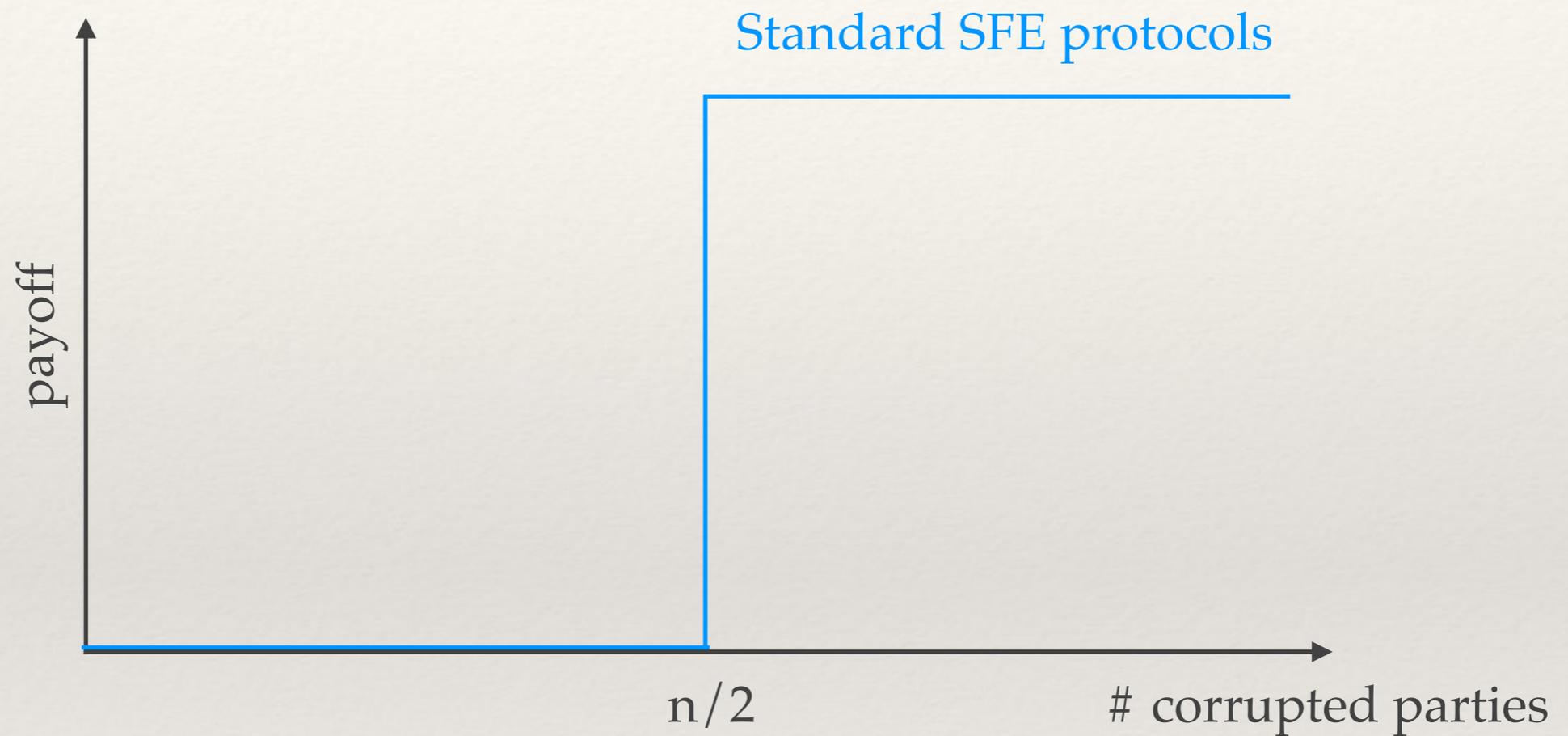
- A. No party gets the output: E_{00} , payoff γ_{00}
- B. Exactly all honest parties get the output: E_{01} , payoff γ_{01}
- C. Not all honest parties, but some corrupted party gets the output: E_{10} , payoff γ_{10}
- D. All honest parties and some corrupted party get the output: E_{11} , payoff γ_{11}

Here: stronger condition $\gamma_{01} < \gamma_{00} < \gamma_{11} < \gamma_{10}$.

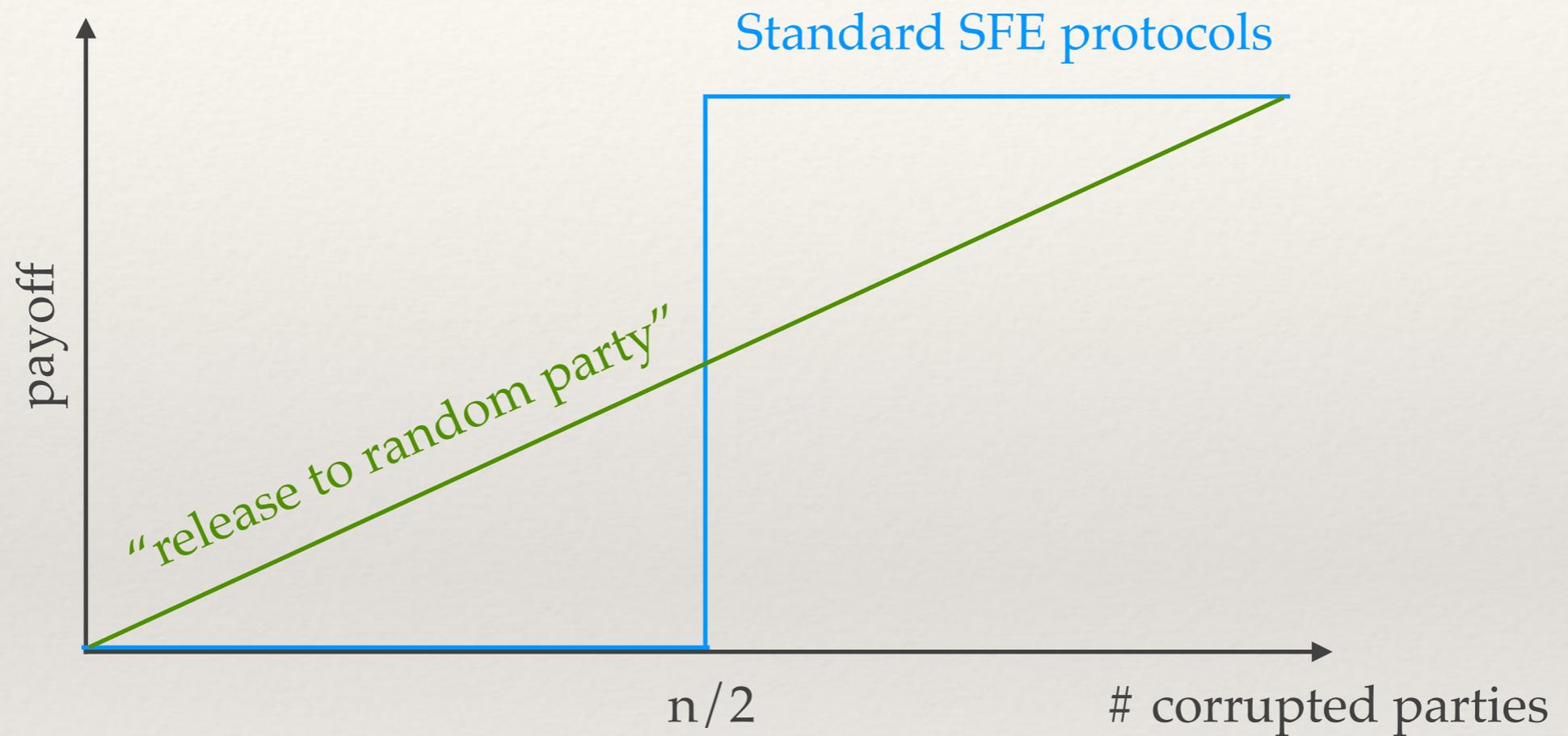
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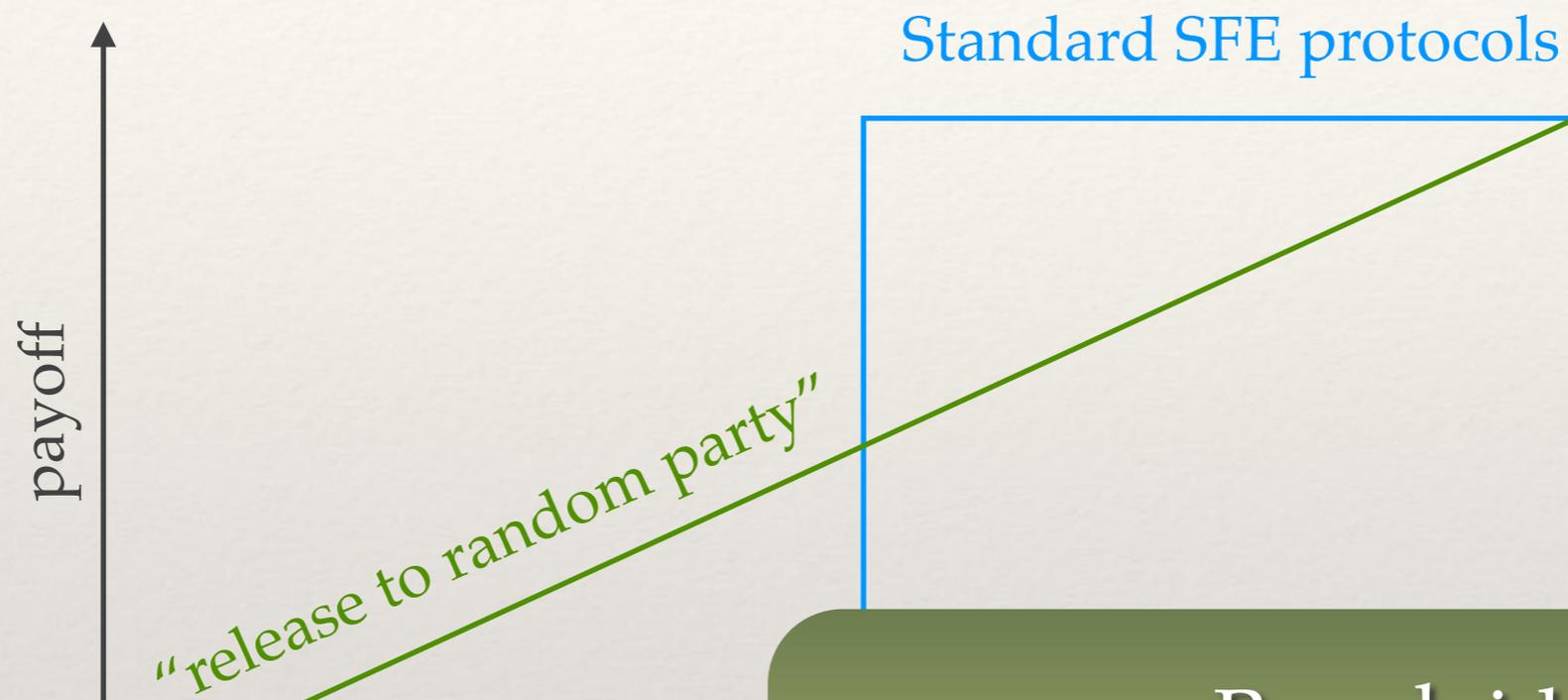
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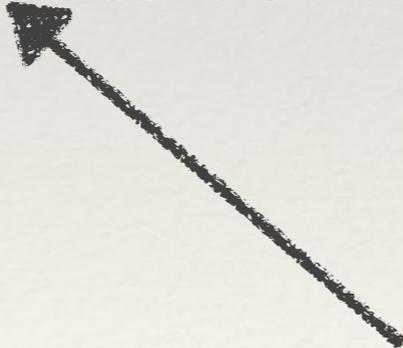
Rough idea:
Give the output to some party,
let him distribute.

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 - ❖ Not closely related, after all...
- ❖ $1/p$ -Security [Gordon-Katz, 2010]
 - ❖ Similar (quantitative) guarantee,
 - ❖ protocols for functions with small domain or range,
 - ❖ formally more relaxed definition.

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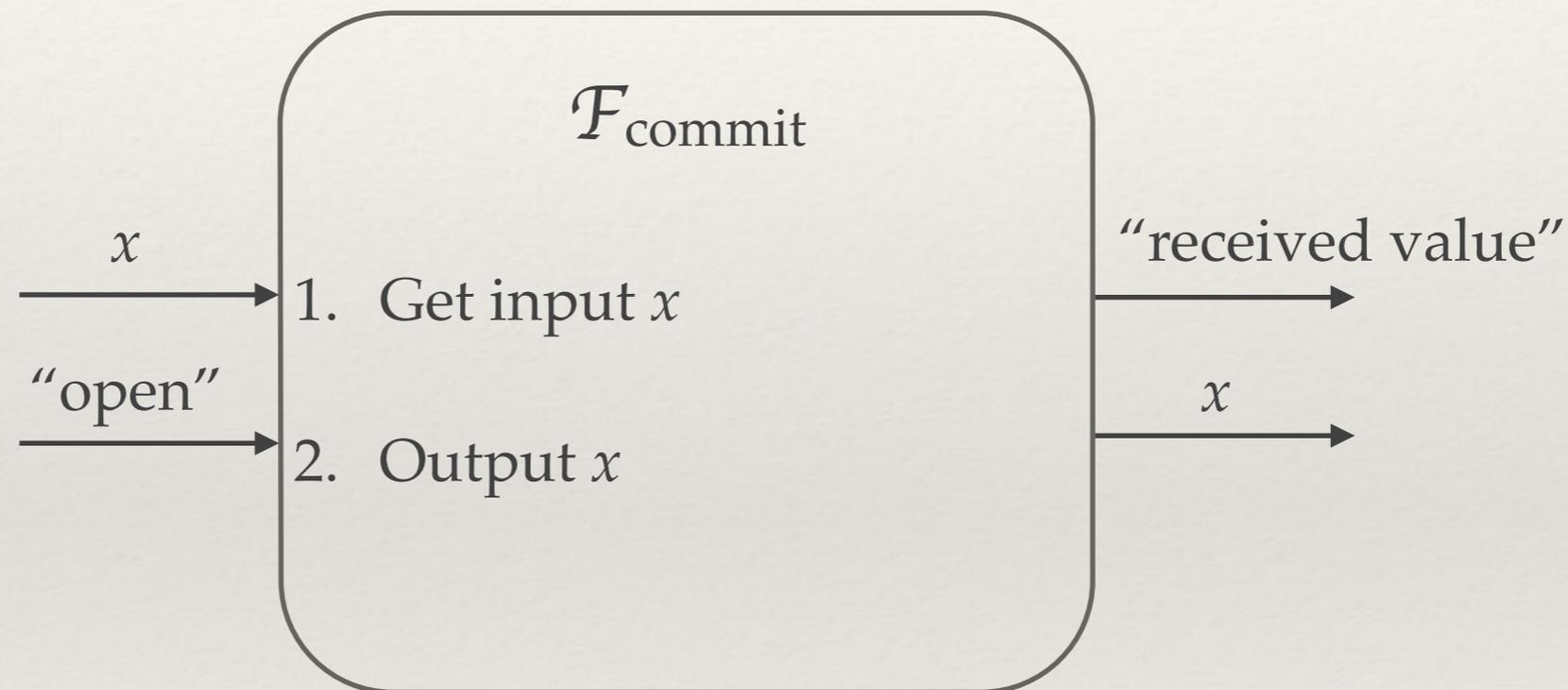
- ❖ General framework (beyond fairness),
- ❖ supports composition (via the underlying framework),
- ❖ generalizes to reactive functionalities (follow-up).



cf. Ranjit's talk

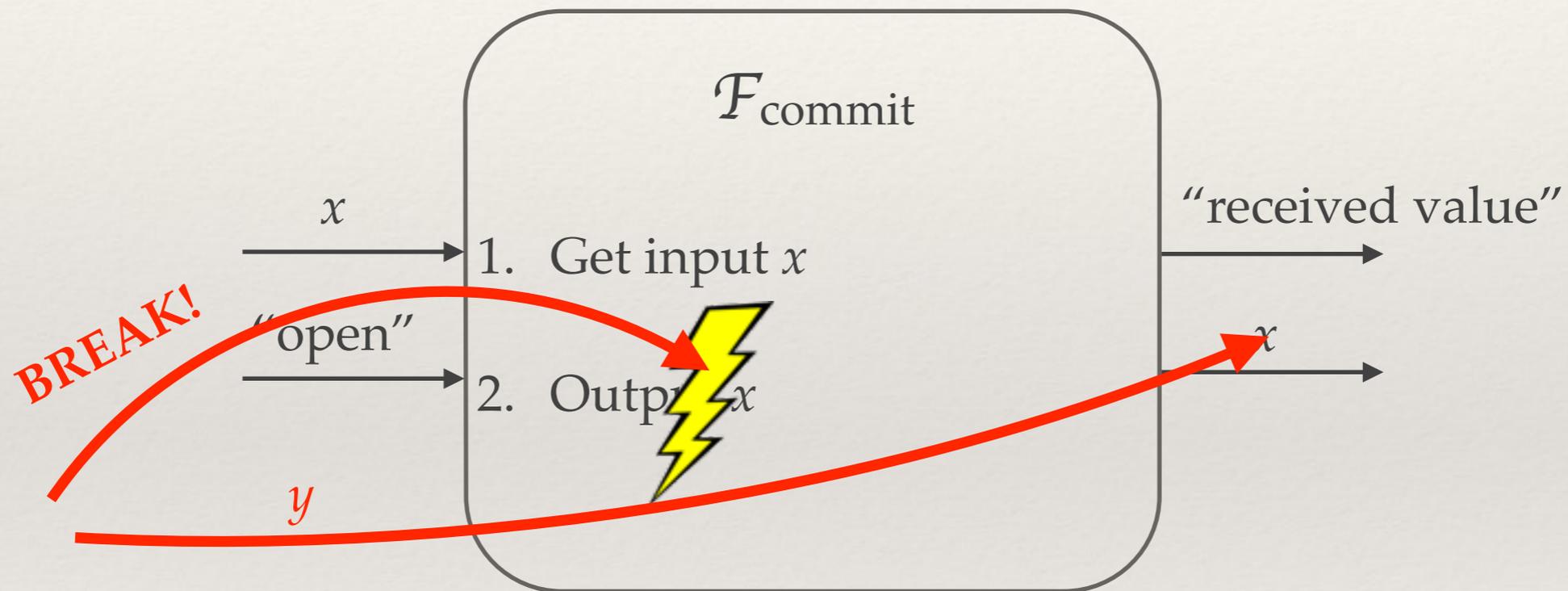
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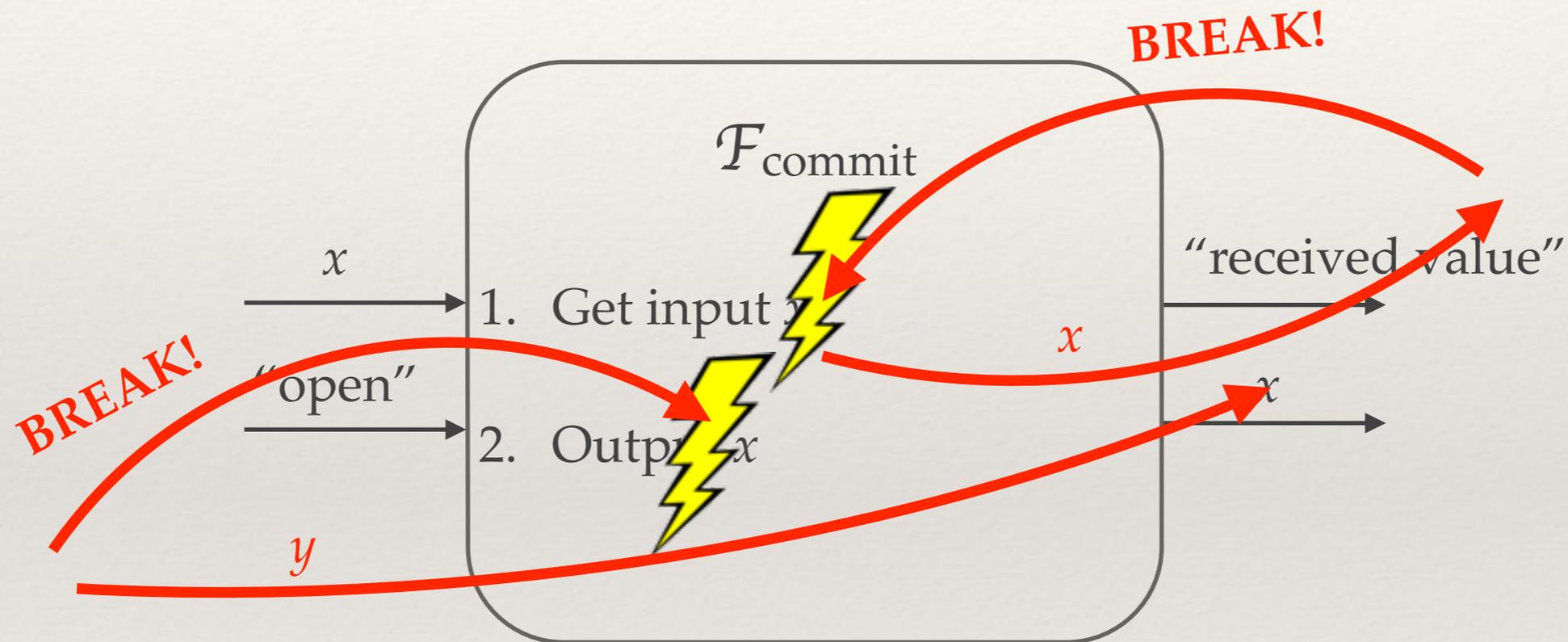
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Summary

- ❖ RPD is a general framework capturing incentives,
- ❖ idea: build the best protocol w.r.t. the incentives,
- ❖ we showed optimal protocols for fairness in SFE.
- ❖ Follow-up: Reactive functionalities.