

Verifiable Secret Sharing from Symmetric Key Cryptography with Improved Optimistic Complexity

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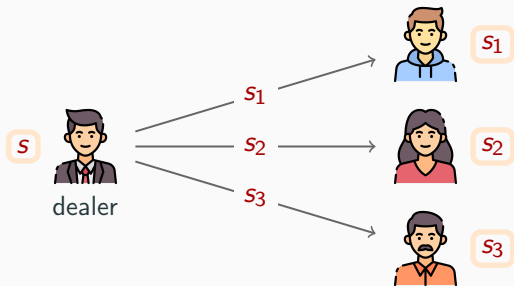
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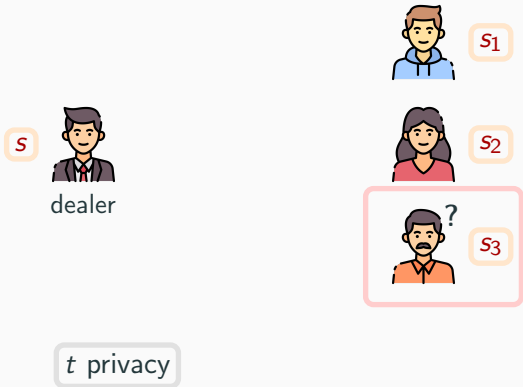
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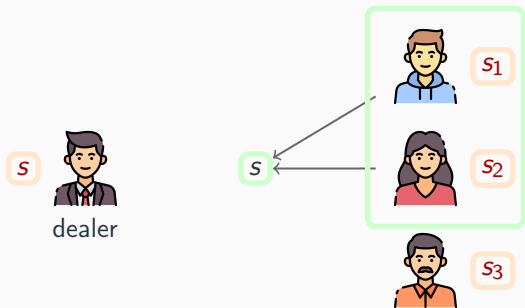
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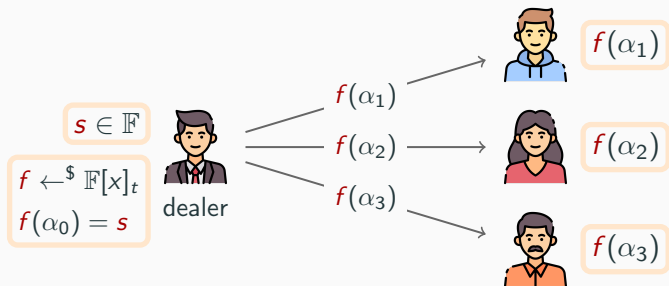
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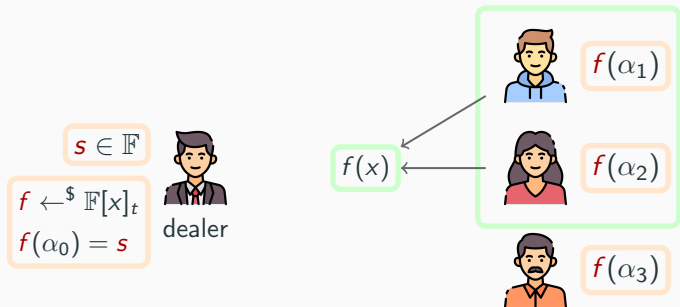
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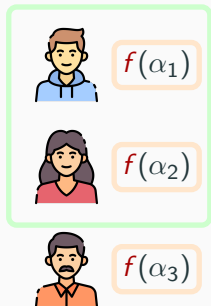
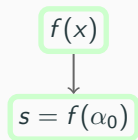
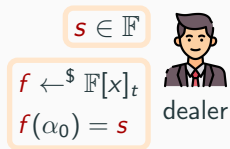
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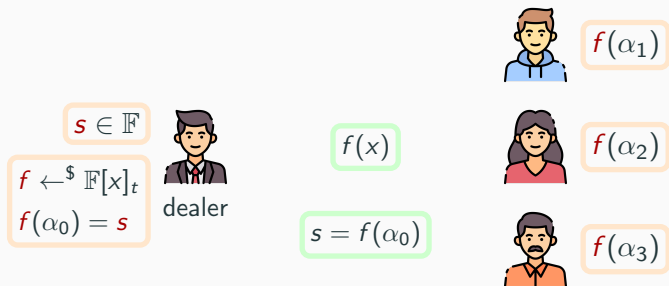
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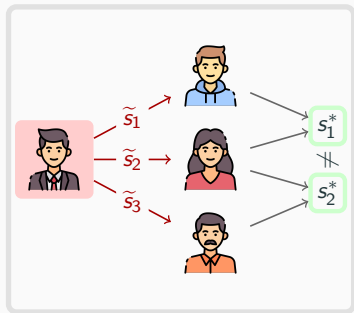
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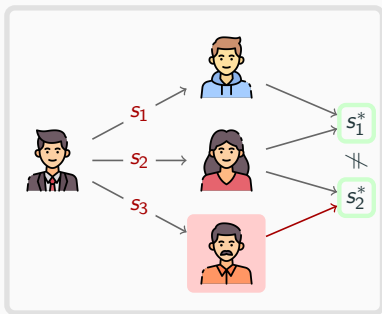
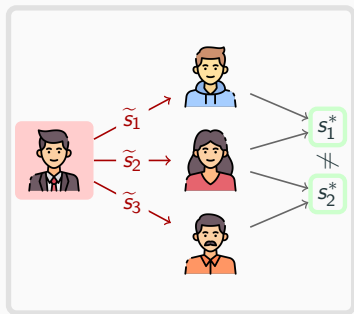
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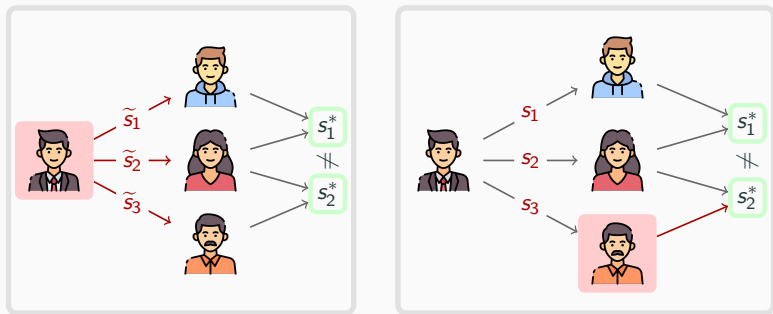
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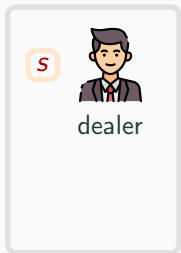
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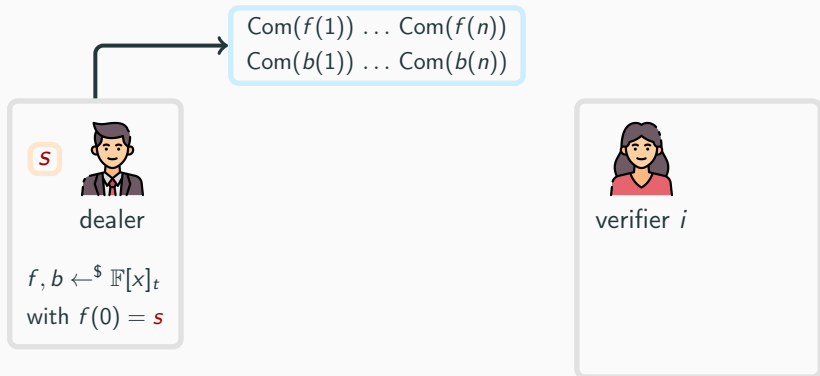
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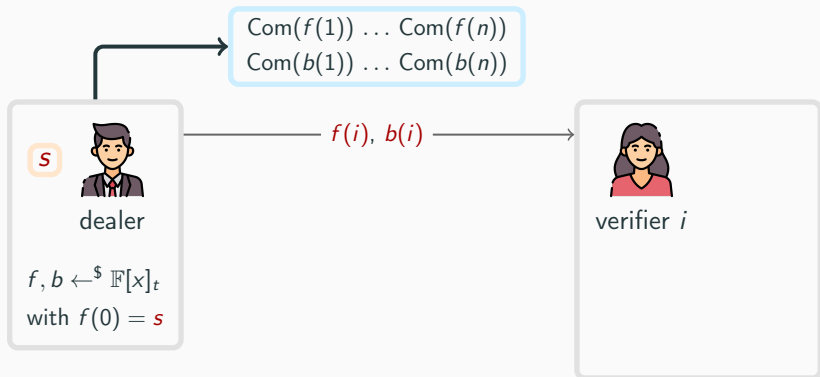


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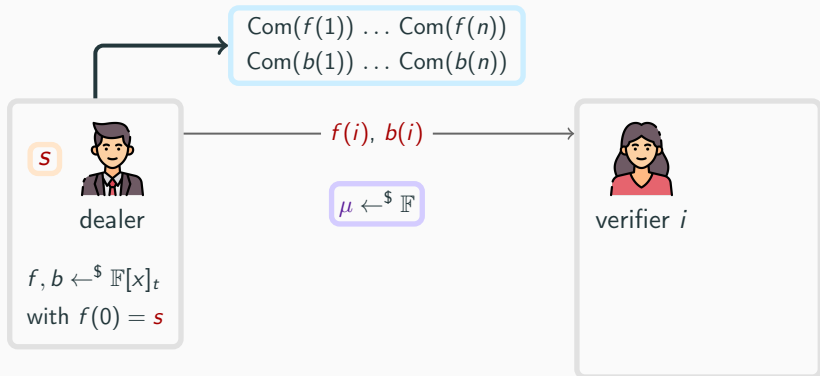
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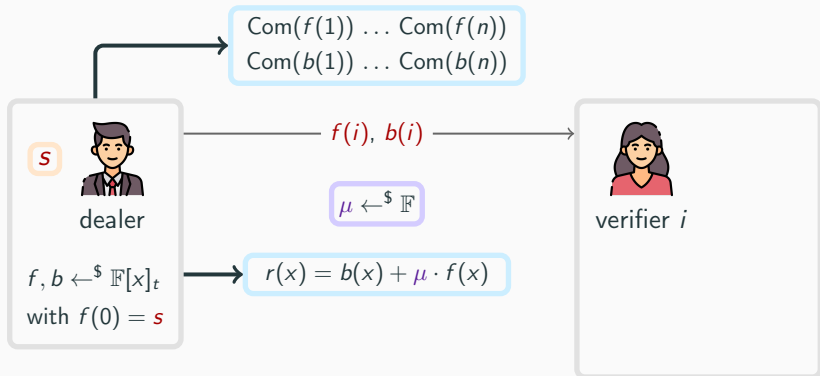
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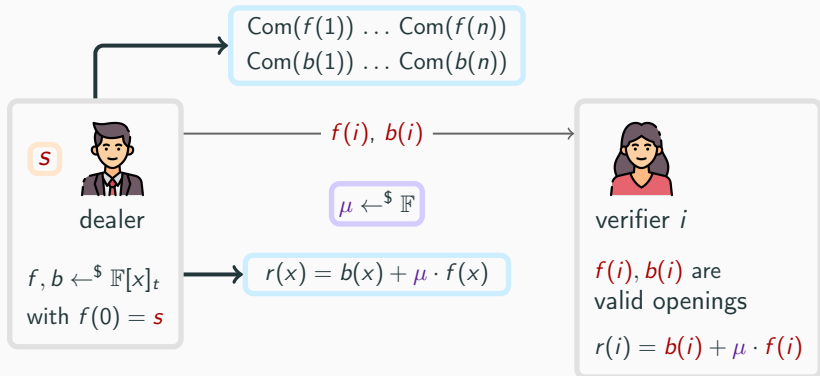
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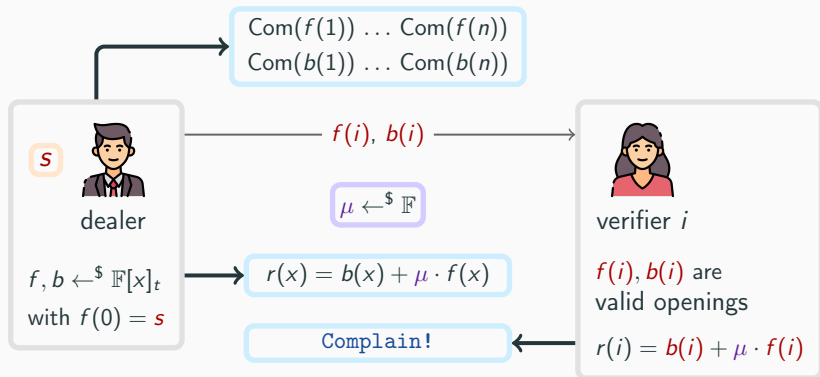
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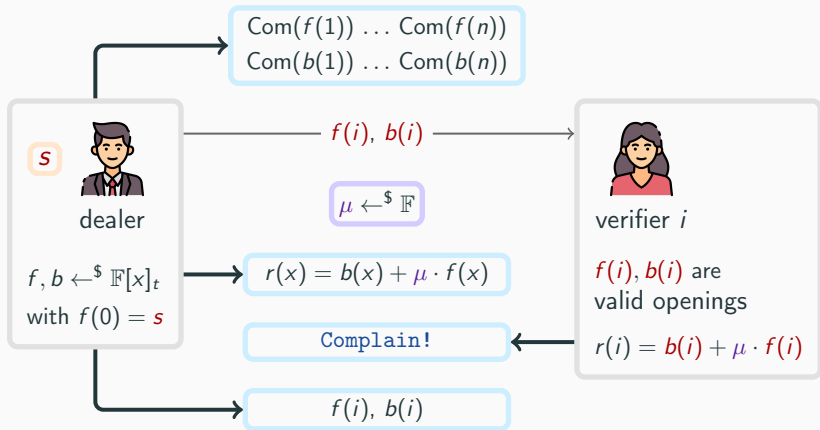
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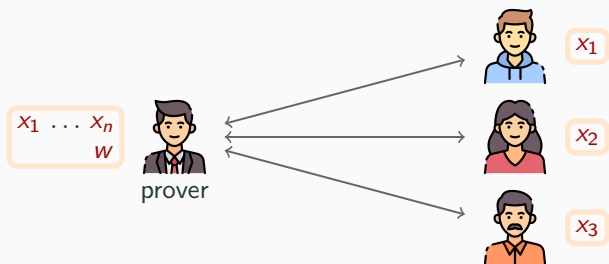
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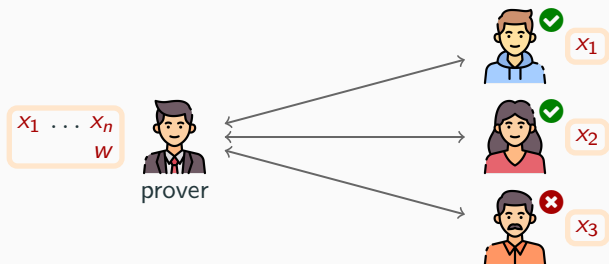


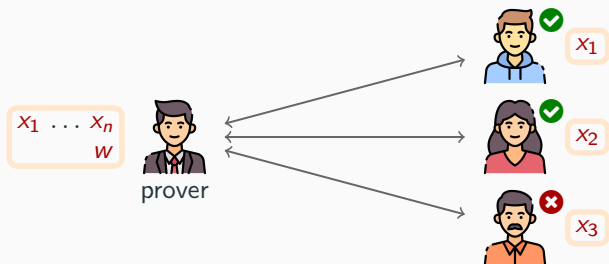
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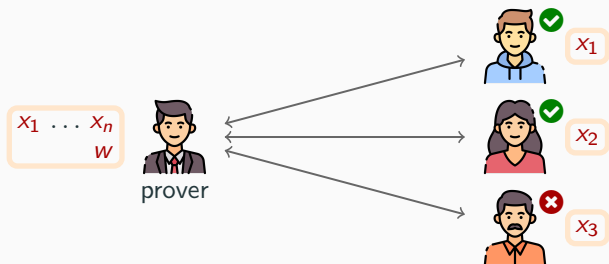
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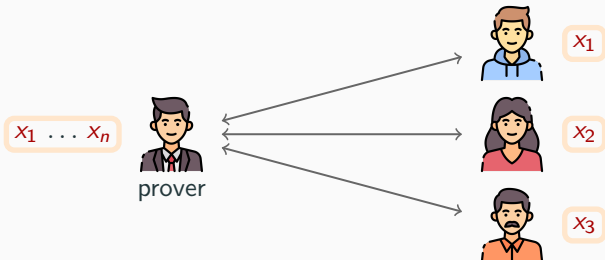
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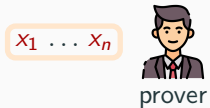
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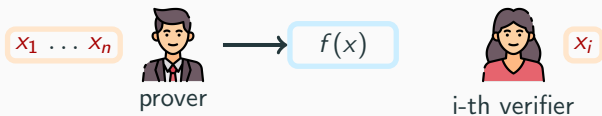


Relation: $(x_1 \dots x_n) \in \mathcal{R}_d$ if there exists $f \in \mathbb{F}[x]$ with $\deg(f) \leq d$ and $f(\alpha_i) = x_i$

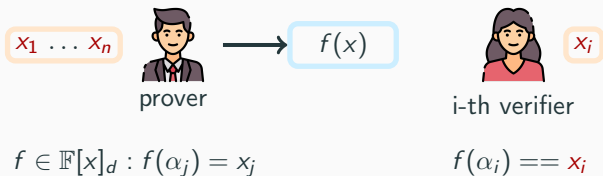


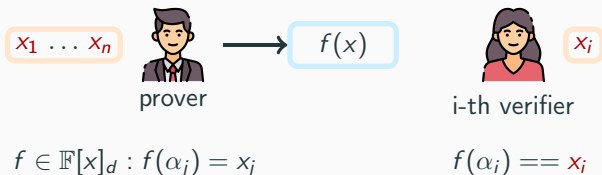


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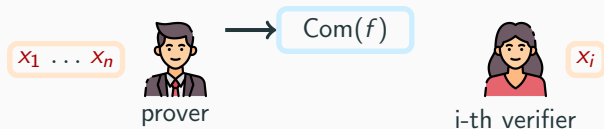
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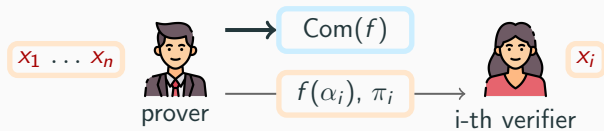
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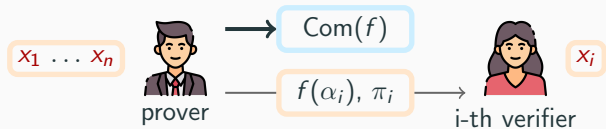
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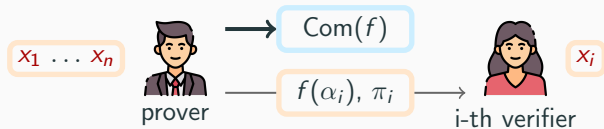
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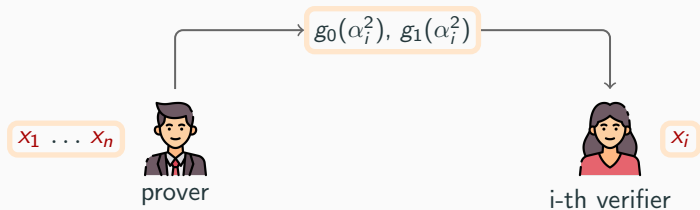
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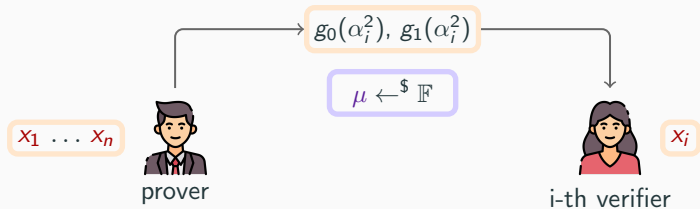
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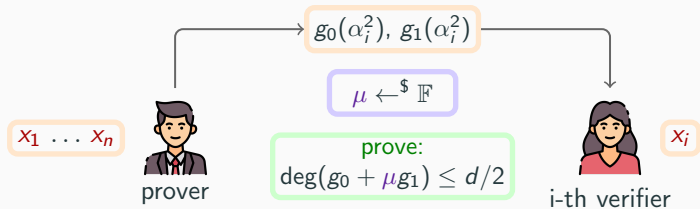
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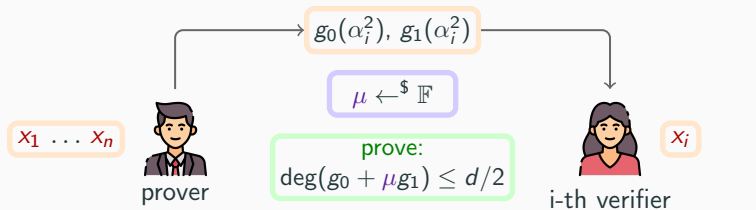
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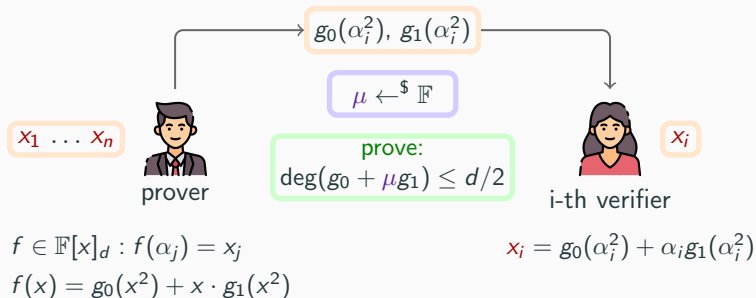
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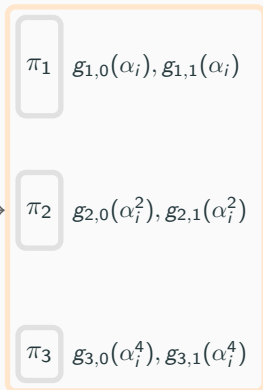
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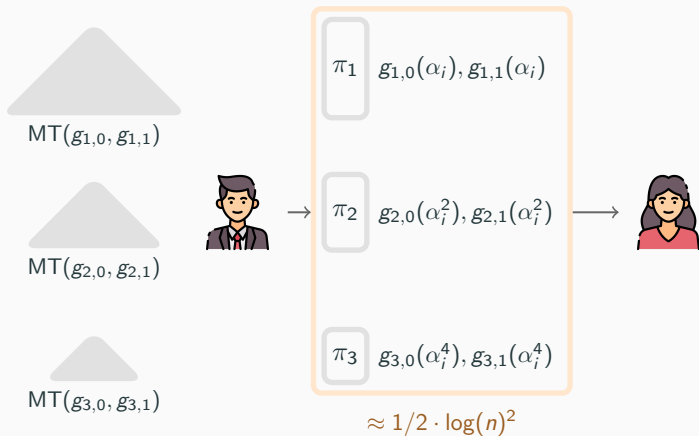
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Conclusion

We presented a new (3-round) **VSS** in the **ROM** secure against $t < n/2$ corruptions with:

- **Sublinear** verifier's **download** and **computational** complexity in the best case.
- **Comparable costs** with state of the art VSS [[ABCP23](#)] in the worst case.

Thanks for your attention!