## **On Instantiating Unleveled Fully-Homomorphic Signatures from Falsifiable Assumptions**

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[GVW15] is an FHS based on lattices (SIS) which is levelled. Correctness preserved up to a maximal noise bound  $B_{noise}$ .





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## No bootstrapping equivalent for FHS.







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# FHS—The Model

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Succinctness: size of evaluated  $\sigma^*$  should not depend on *n*. Succinctness: size of circuit verification key  $vk_C$  should not depend on |C|. Precomputation of  $vk_C$  can be done for the circuits of interest depending on the application.

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# FHS—Composability Bob







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$$FHS . Sign(sk, C_{k}(m_{1}...m_{n}))$$

$$k \text{ inputs to } F$$

$$G(m_{1}...m_{n}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} F(C_{1}(m_{1}...m_{n}) \dots C_{k}(m_{1}...m_{n}))$$

Unbounded number of composable operations. Relative to the original  $m_1 \dots m_n$ .

































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Arbitrary labels  $\tau \in \{0,1\}^*$ .

Single-data to multi-data can be achieved using a generic transformation due to [GVW15]. Bound *n* can also be removed using ROM techniques due to [GVW15].

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Our goal: fully homomorphic signatures for <u>unbounded-depth</u> circuits in the standard model.

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Example of unfalsifiable assumptions: knowledge-assumptions (knowledge of discrete log)





## **Building Block: Indistinguishability Obfuscation (iO)**

## Obfuscation: functionality of a program is hidden. but it can still be executed.



# Indistinguishability Obfuscation (iO)





## Works on any circuits $C_0$ and $C_1$ , such that $C_0(x) = C_1(x)$ for all inputs x.

The obfuscations  $C_0^*$  and  $C_1^*$  are computationally indistinguishable



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A recent line of works builds IO from falsifiable assumptions.



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### Non-Interactive Zero-Knowledge Proofs (NIZKs)

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# NP language $(x, w) \in \mathscr{L}$

Both parties have access to the CRS, generated in an honest setup phase.



Interaction consists of only one message.



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### How to compute $\pi'$

### Witness is the randomness r' of ct.

### extract $r_b$ from $\pi_b$ using td<sub>ext</sub>

compute r' as  $r' = FHE \cdot EvalRand_{pk,sk}(r_0, r_1)$ 

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Simply compute an FHE ciphertext by generating r and ct = FHE. Enc(m; r).

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  - Hybrid argument where  $ct_i$  are encryptions of 0 and  $\pi_i$  are simulated proofs using  $td_{sim}$ .



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Many more technical problems to overcome, for details check out the paper.





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LWE + iO (subexp)



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**Questions?** 



### Roadmap

- Fully-Homomorphic Encryption, Signatures and Bootstrapping.
- Defining Fully-Homomorphic Signatures.
- State of the Art.
- Preliminaries: iO and NIZKs.
- How to use iO.
- Technical Ideas towards an FHS construction.
- Conclusion.





Operations happen modulo a bound parameter B. LWE-based schemes: every homomorphic operation increases the noise level. Correctness preserved up to a maximal noise bound  $B_{noise}$ .

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