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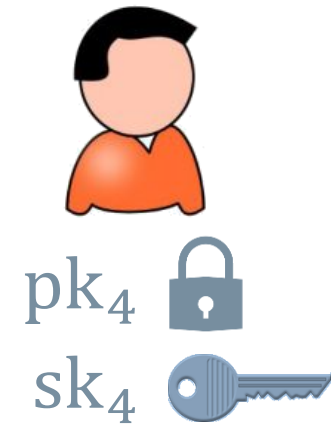
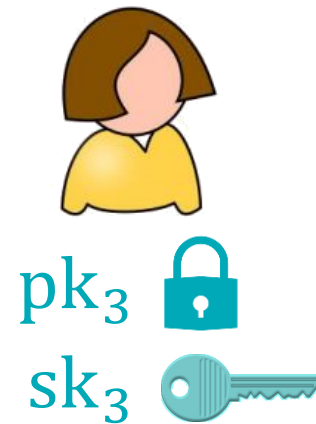
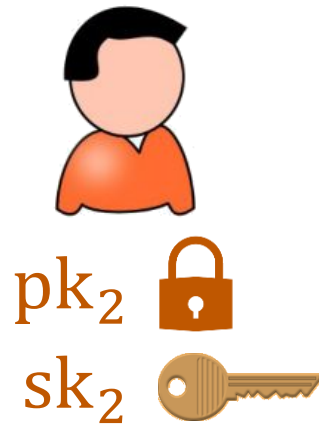
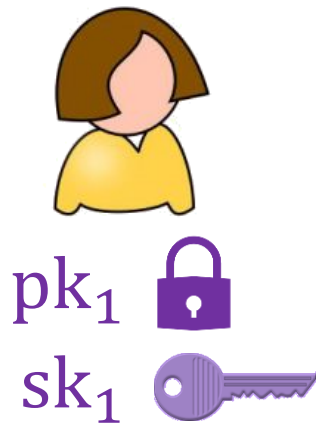
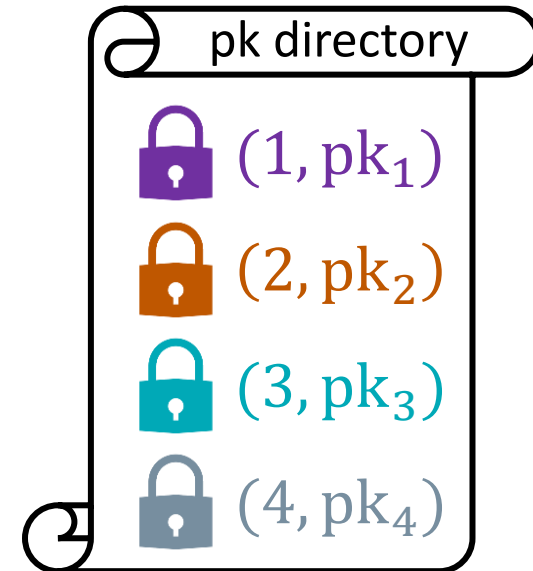
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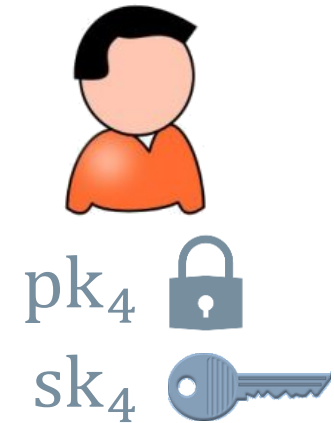
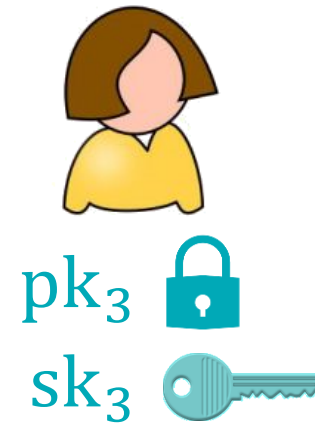
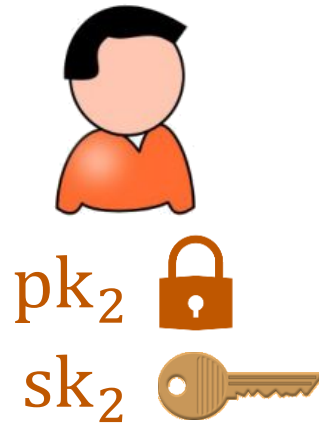
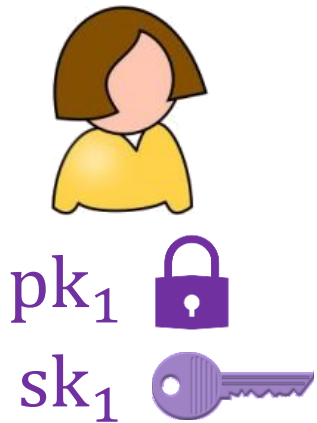
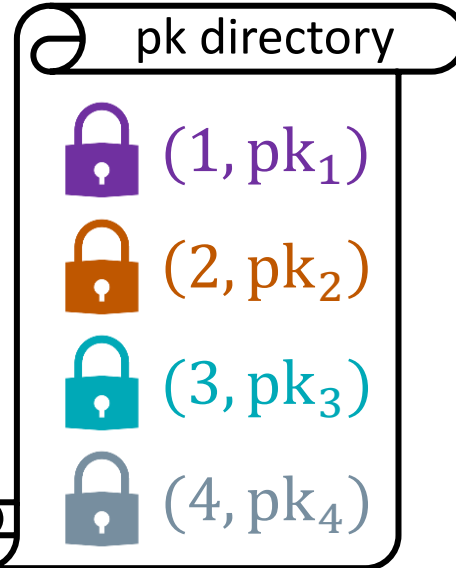
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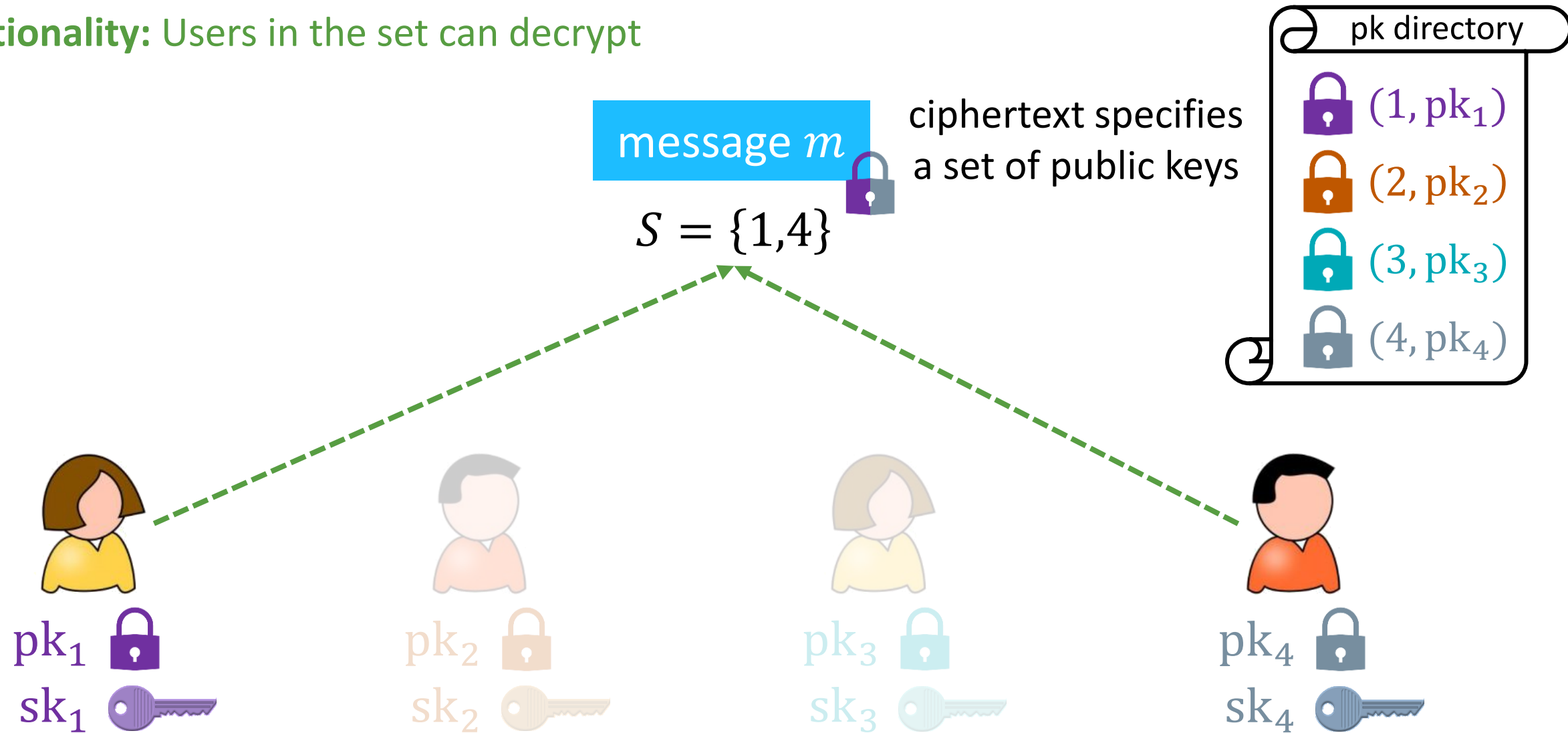
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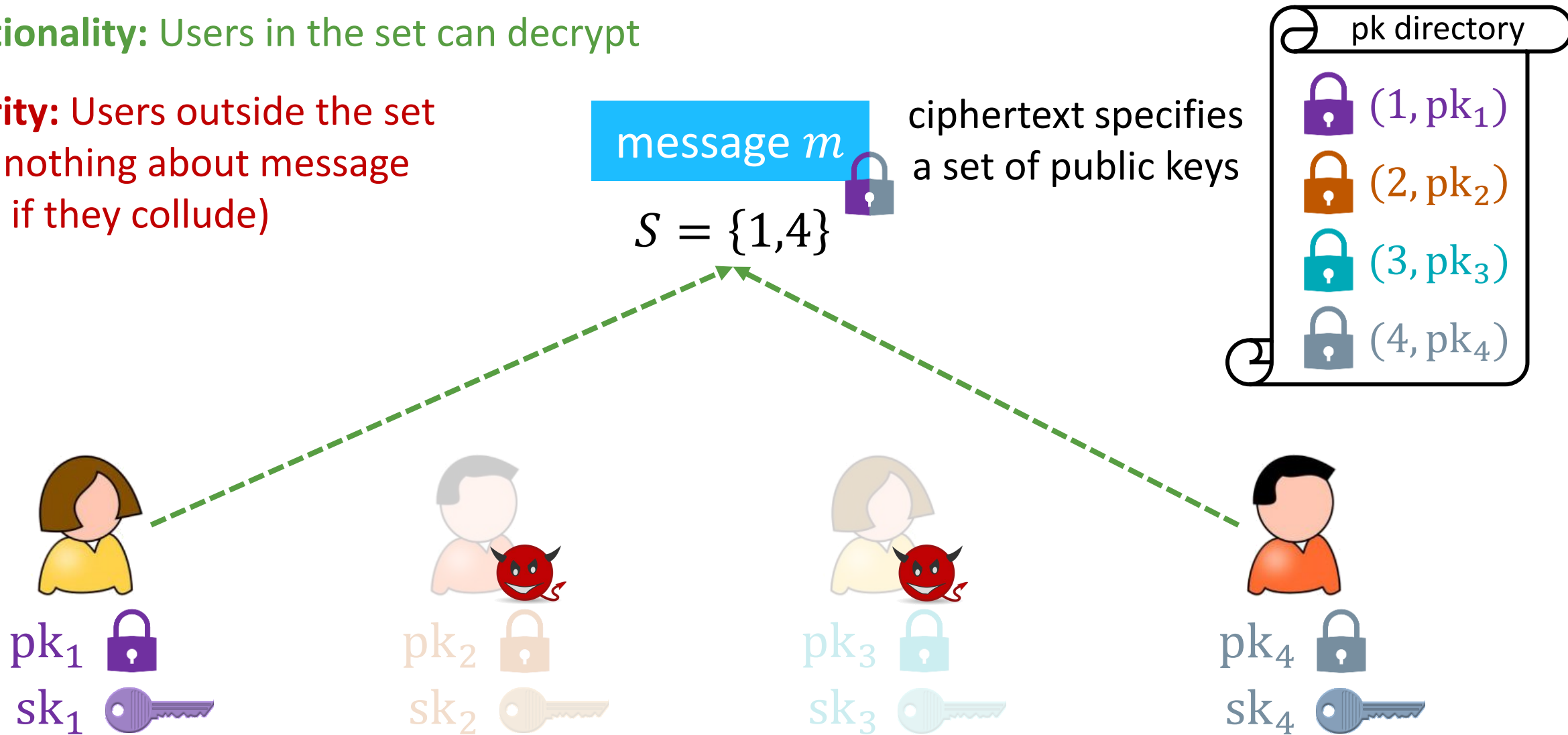


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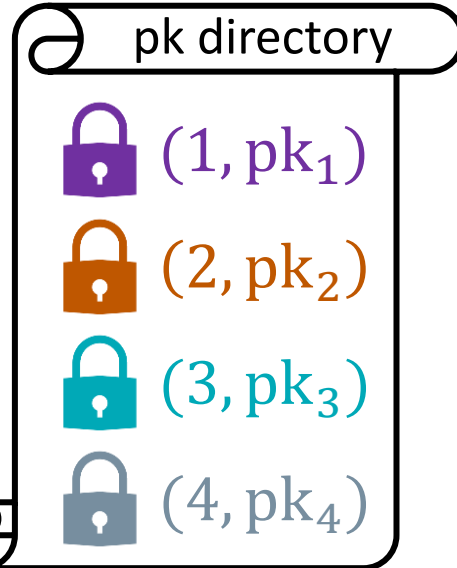
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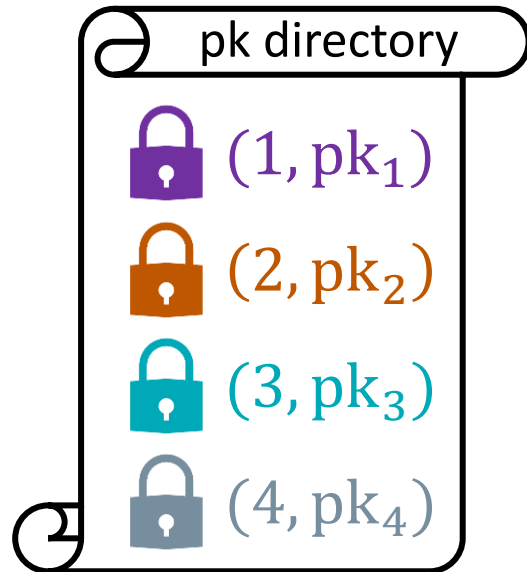
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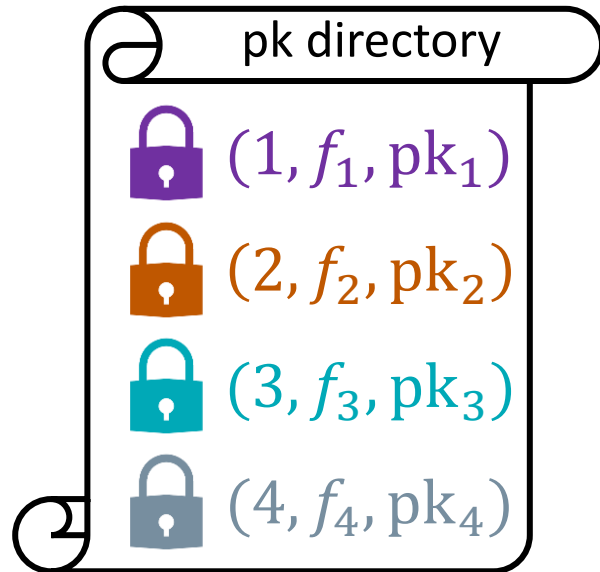
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- Trustless version of traditional broadcast encryption [FN93]
- DBE implies traditional broadcast encryption with a long public key

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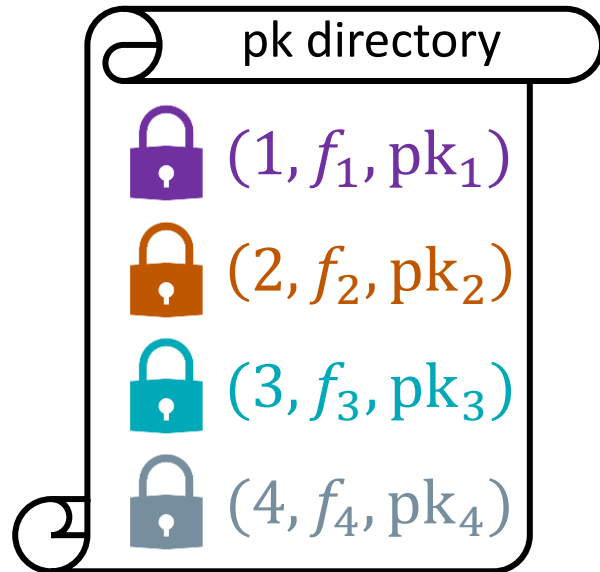
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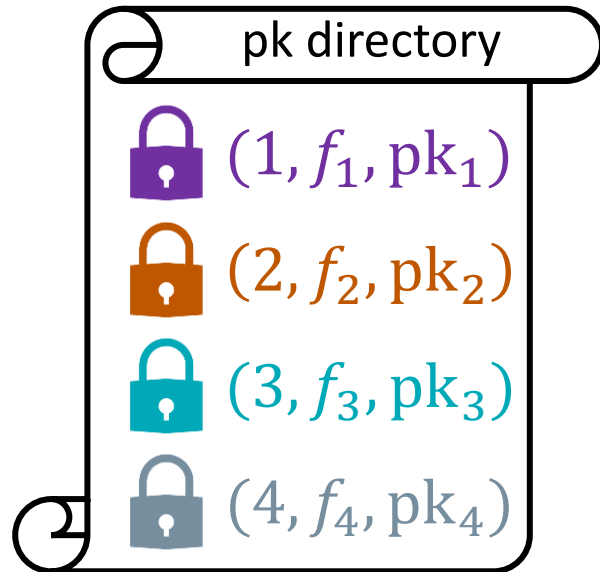
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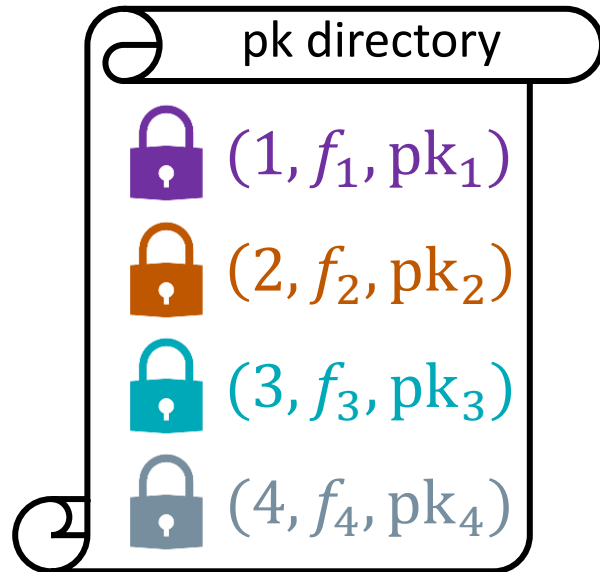
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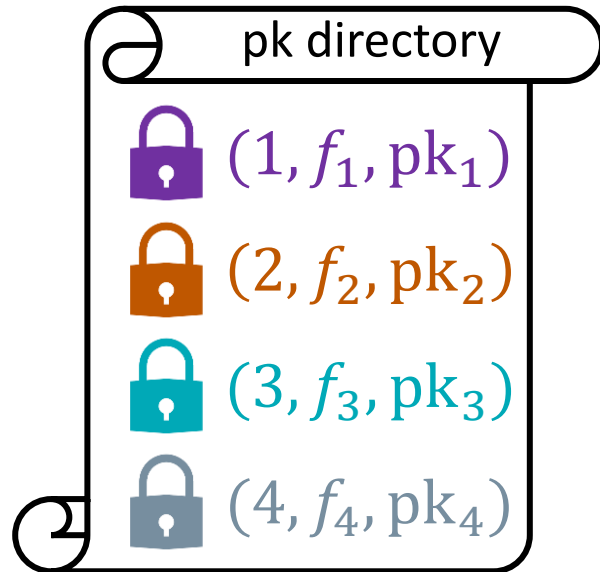
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User set is fixed but encryption/decryption time scales at least linearly with N !

Registered ABE

[GHMR18, HLWW23]



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$\text{Encrypt}(\text{mpk}, x, m) \rightarrow \text{ct}$

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ABE without a central authority

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Can we do more from lattice assumptions?

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Level of efficiency only known from iO previously!

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In the lattice setting, ciphertexts often have components of the form:

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What if M is chosen adversarially?

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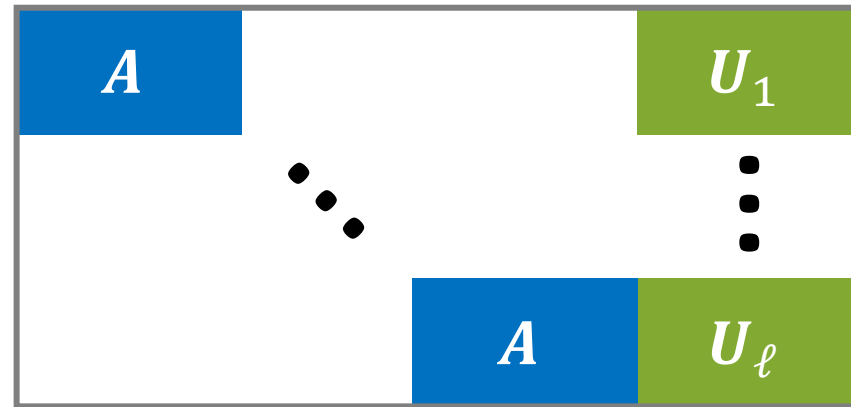
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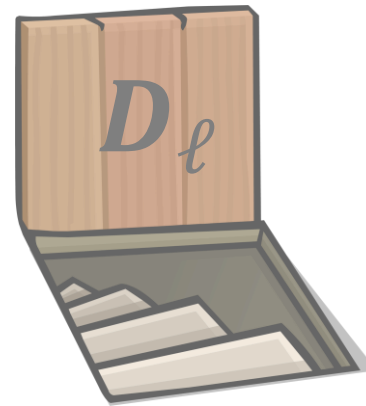
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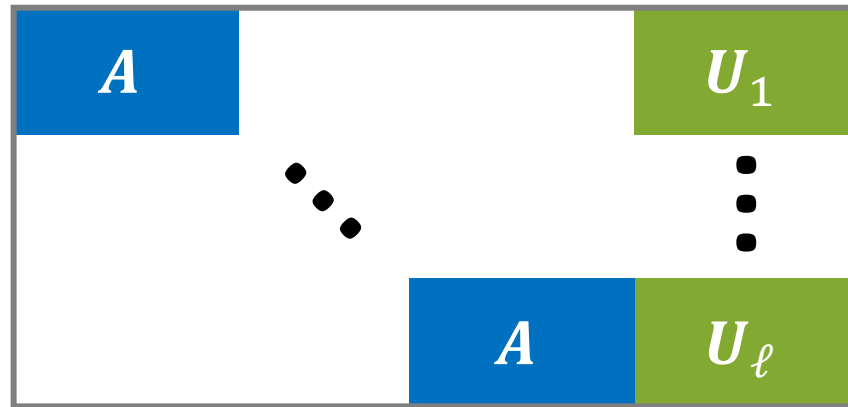
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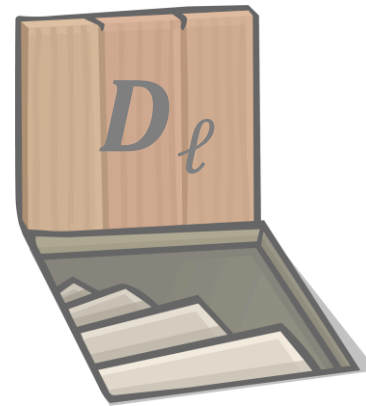
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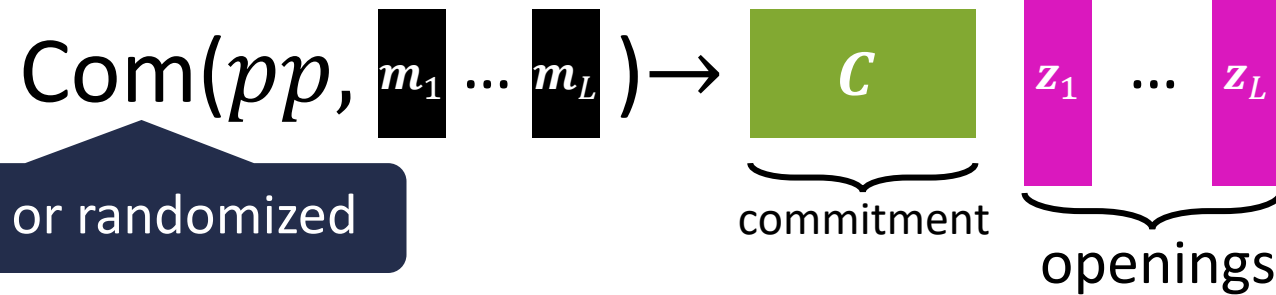
Instantiations

- BASIS [WW23]: A is uniform, U_i is structured
- Succinct LWE [Wee24]: A is uniform, U_i is uniform
- Decomposed LWE [AMR25]: A is structured, U_i is uniform, trapdoor is *public*

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Can view this as an algebraic version of the witness encryption approach in [FWW23]

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Public Parameters

pp_{com}



includes A, v_i

deterministic commitment

[Wee25] has fixed-size

public parameters!

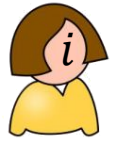
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can efficiently commit to exponential
number of vectors if poly many are nonzero

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public and low-norm

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public

dual-Regev ciphertext under pk_i

Extending to Registered ABE [CHW25]

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- Aggregation/Encryption does the following:
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- To decrypt, registered user i can use the local opening at position i to derive an encryption of the message under their combined public key and decrypt using their secret key iff the policy check passes

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Given additionally a vector d , there exists a **low-norm** vector $h_{B,f,x,d} = H_{B,f,x} G^{-1}(d)$ such that:

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grows with ℓ but can be compressed via [Wee25]

Registered ABE For Unbounded Users [WW25]

can be derived from random oracle

Pub

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d_i

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Also includes NIZK PoK of y_i

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s^T

C_{all}

s^T

p

masks b

commit to $p + t_j$ at position $j \in [N]$

Noise omitted

Registered ABE For Unbounded Users [WW25]

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Recall:

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$h = h_{B,f,x,d}$ is low-norm

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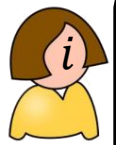
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if and only if $f_i(x) = 0$

Public Key

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$=$

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$$s^T (B - x^T \otimes G)$$

Noise omitted

$$\text{For all } i \in [N]: C_{\text{all}} v_i = p + t_i - A z_i$$

$$s^T C_{\text{all}} v_i \approx s^T p + s^T t_i - s^T A z_i$$

$$\underbrace{s^T C_{\text{all}} v_i + s^T A z_i}_{\text{public}} \approx \underbrace{s^T p + s^T t_i}_{\text{dual-Regev ciphertext under } pk_i}$$

public

dual-Regev ciphertext under pk_i

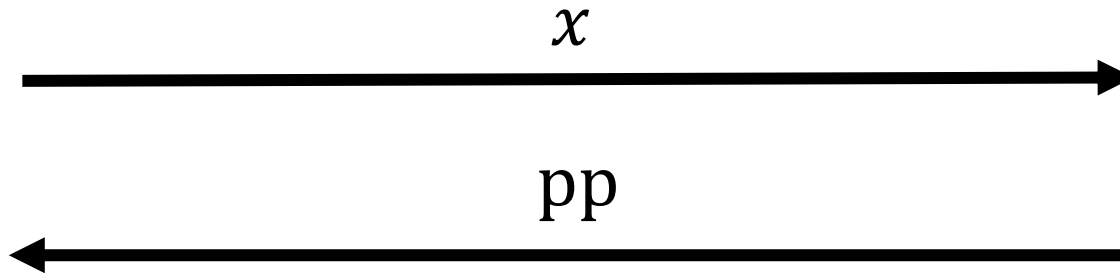
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Challenger



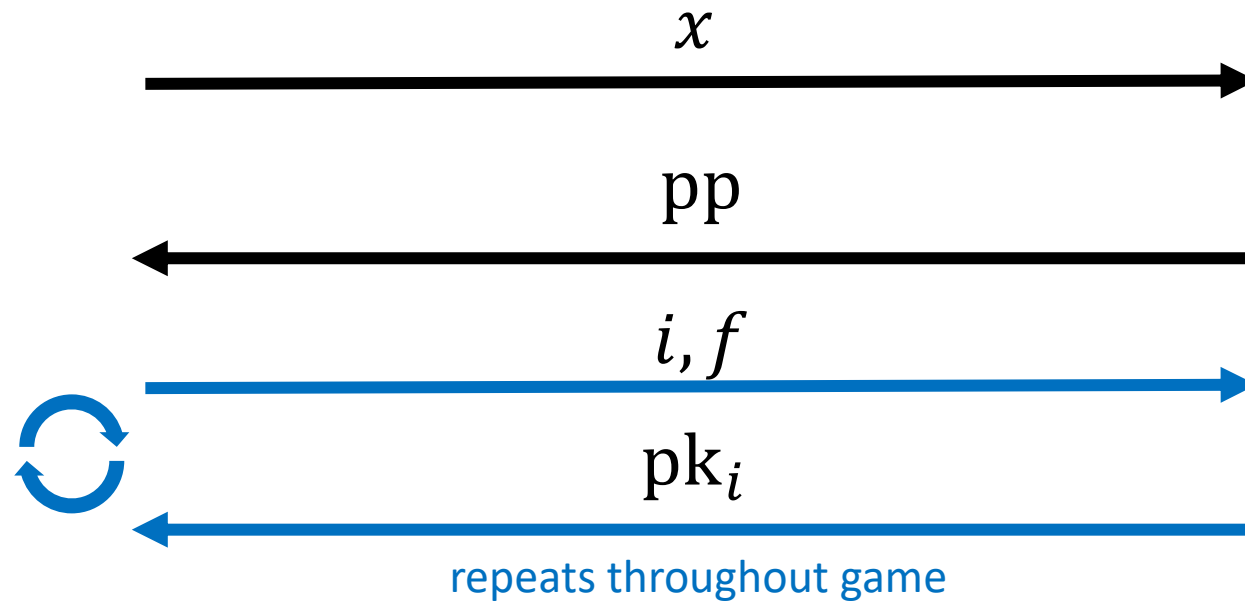
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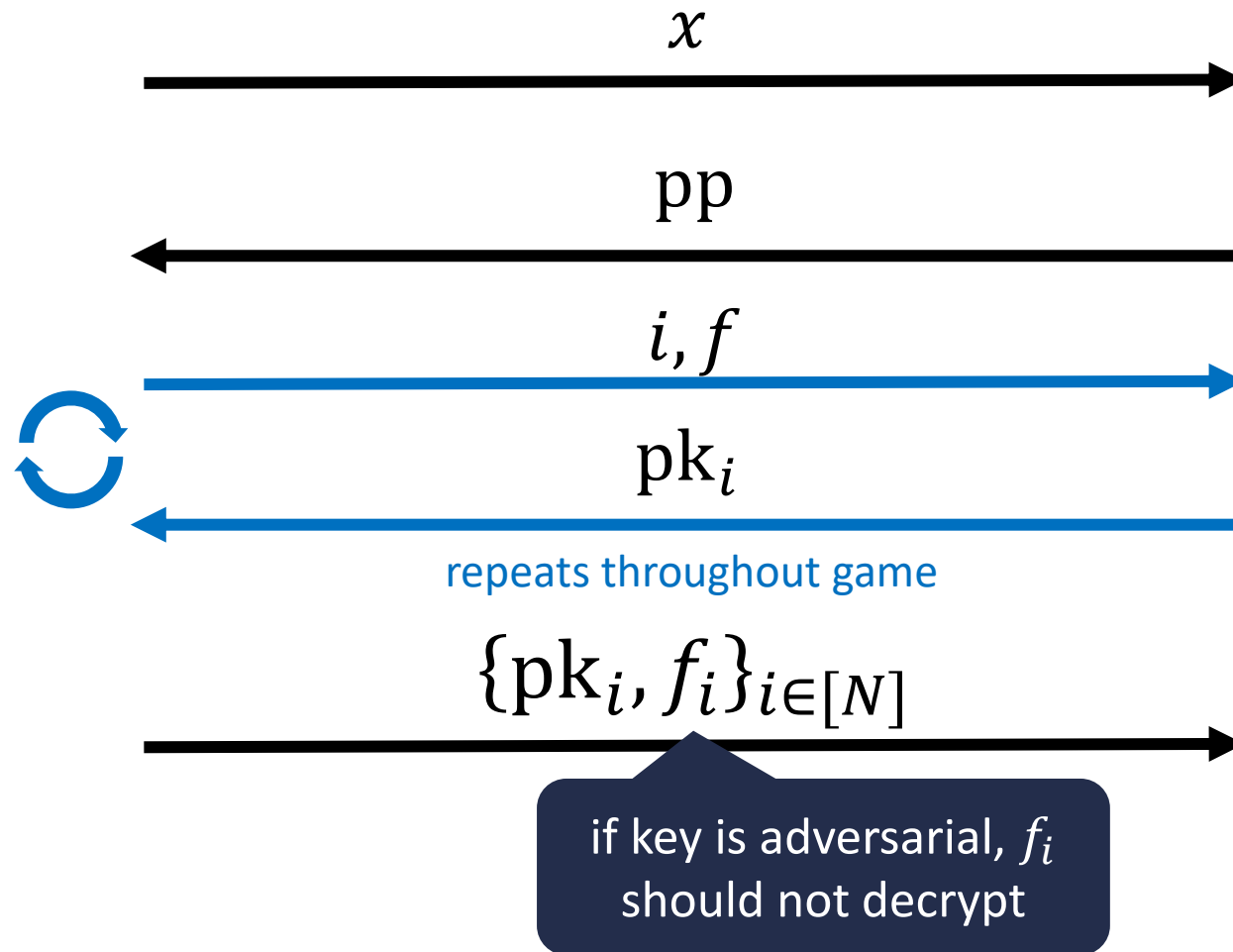
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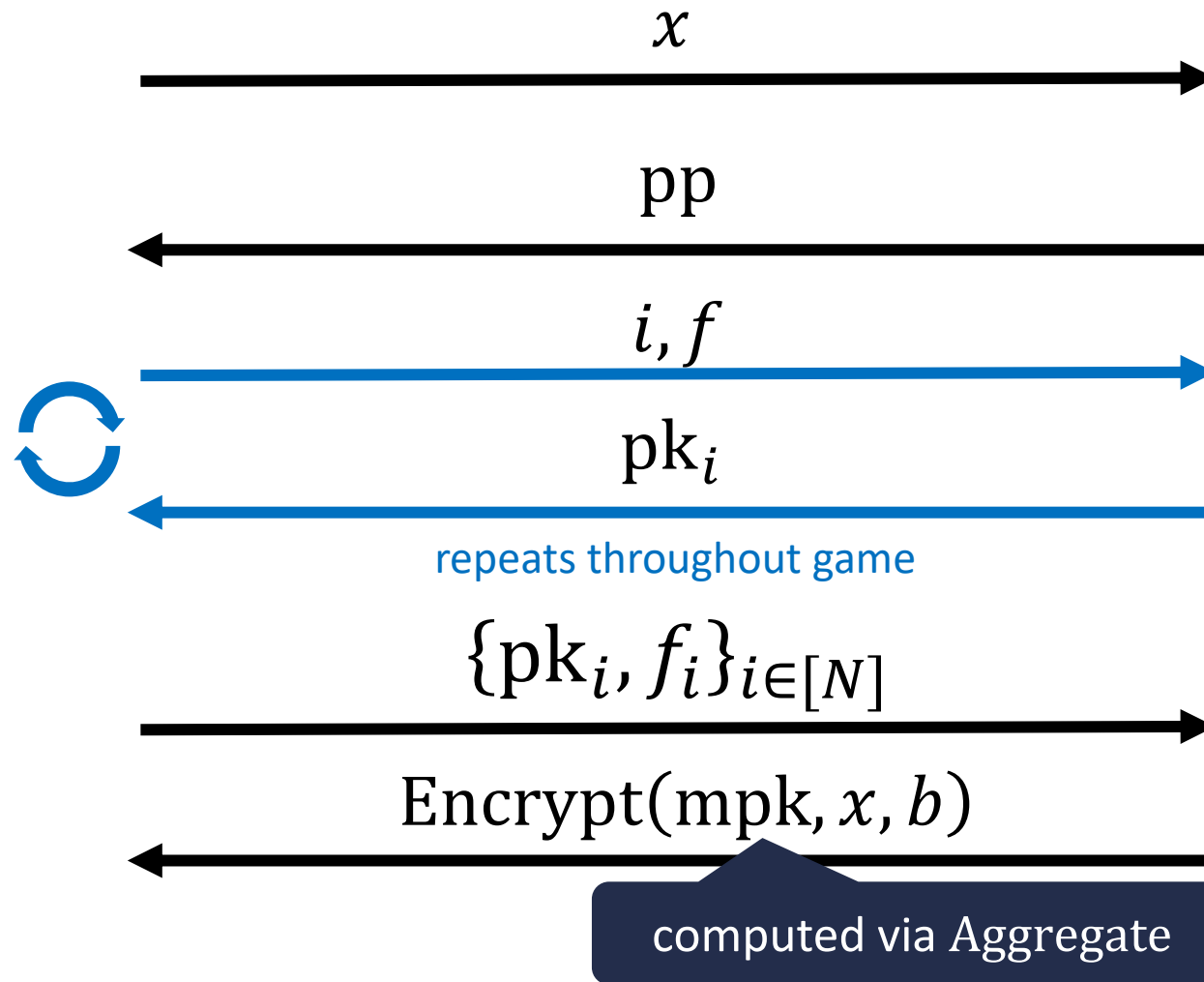
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challenge bit $b \in \{0,1\}$
sampled randomly

Proving Security [CHW25]

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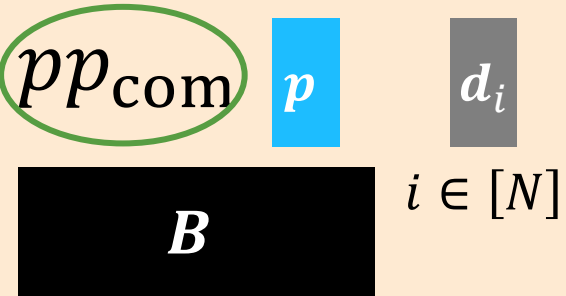
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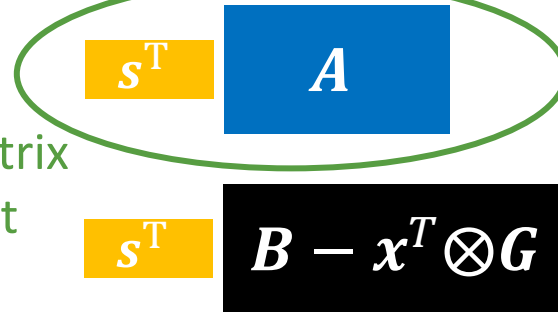
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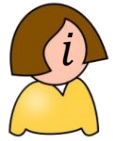
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commits vectors t_j chosen
by the adversary!

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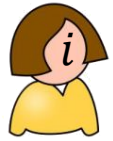
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Techniques also work for adaptively-secure DBE in the ROM

Open Problems

- Proving security from plain LWE
- Removing the random oracle from registered ABE or adaptively-secure DBE
- Cryptanalysis and more applications of succinct/decomposed LWE

Thanks for listening!

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