

Adaptive Oblivious Transfer with Access Control from Lattice Assumptions

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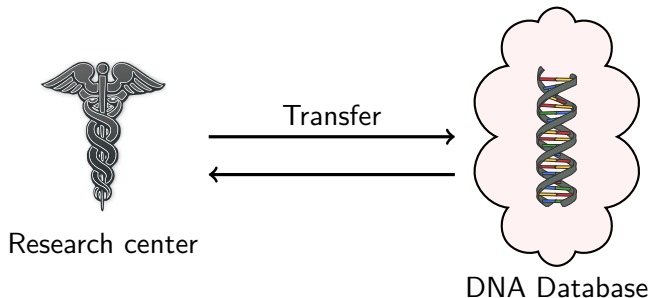
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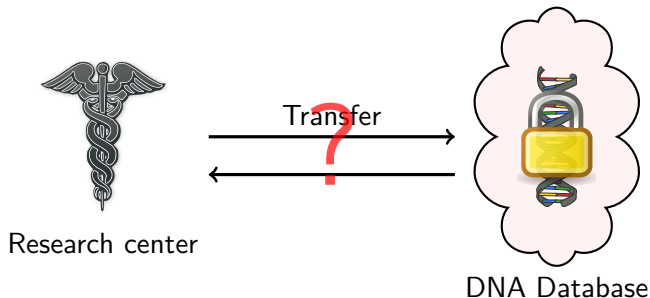
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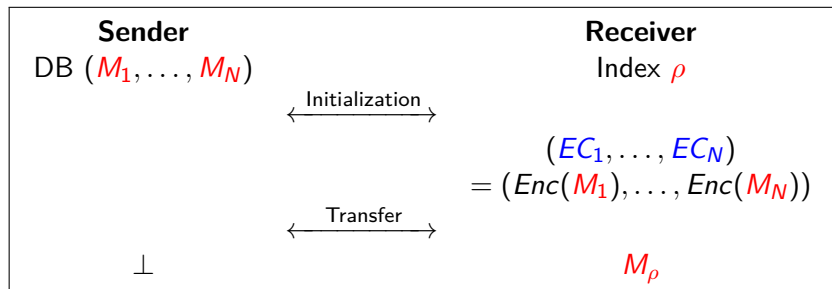
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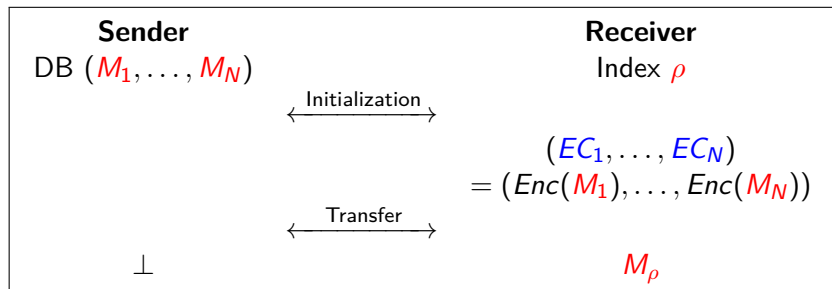


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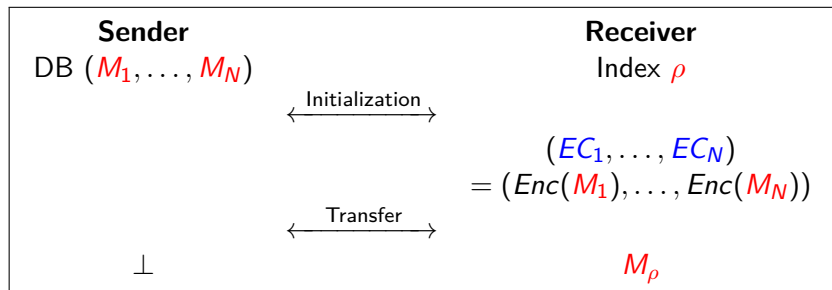


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- ▶ **Adaptive** OT: receiver adaptively obtains k messages [NP93]
 - Usage: Sensitive DB (DNA, financial data, ...).

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► From FHE + OPRF, or PIR, or ad-hoc pairing assumptions. . .

No fully simulatable adaptive OT with access control from lattice assumptions

Lattice

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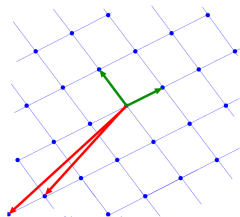
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Why?

- ▶ Simple and asymptotically efficient;
- ▶ **Still** conjectured quantum-resistant;
- ▶ Connection between average-case and worst-case problems;
- ▶ Powerful functionalities (e.g., FHE).

→ Finding a short non-zero vector in a lattice is hard.

Hardness Assumptions: SIS and LWE [Ajt96, Reg05]

Parameters: n dimension, $m \geq n$, q modulus.

For $\mathbf{A} \leftarrow \mathcal{U}(\mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n})$:

Small Integer Solution

$$\mathbf{x} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0} [q]$$

Goal: Given $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n}$, find $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^m \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$ small

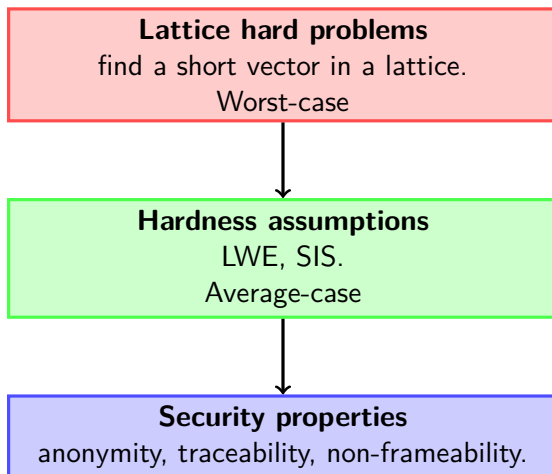
Learning With Errors

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} m \\ \mathbf{A} \end{array}, \mathbf{A} \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e} \right)$$

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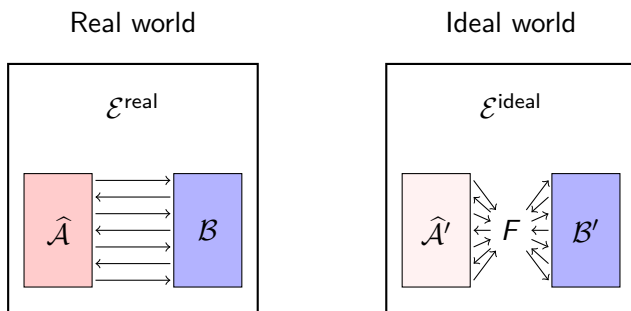
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Provable Security



Full Simulation Model [\[Can01\]](#)

For any cheating $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$, there exists $\hat{\mathcal{A}}'$ s.t.



$$\text{View}(\mathcal{E}^{\text{real}}) \approx_s \text{View}(\mathcal{E}^{\text{ideal}})$$

- ▶ Strictly stronger security model than indistinguishability-based one

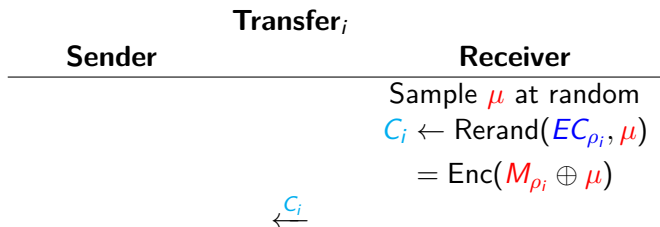
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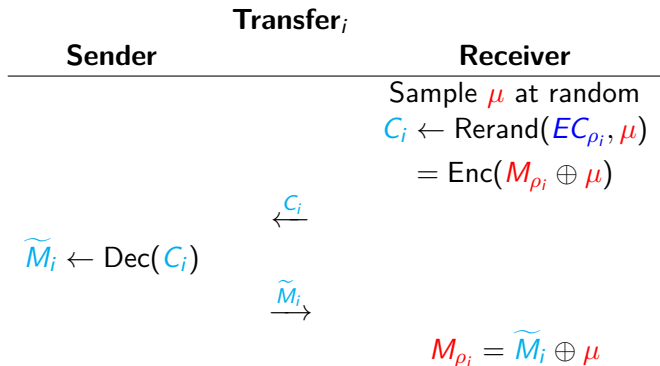
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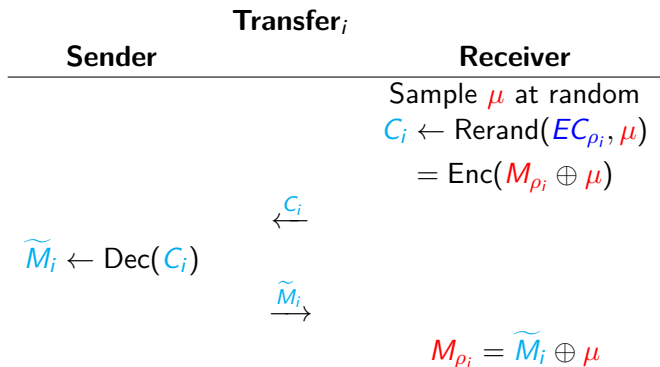
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PKE (Keygen, Enc, Dec, Rerand)

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Solution: Flood the noise with ν s.t. $\|\nu\| \gg B_\chi$.

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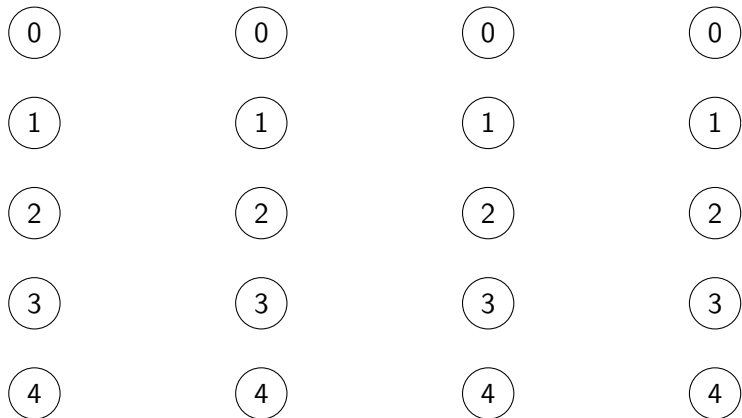
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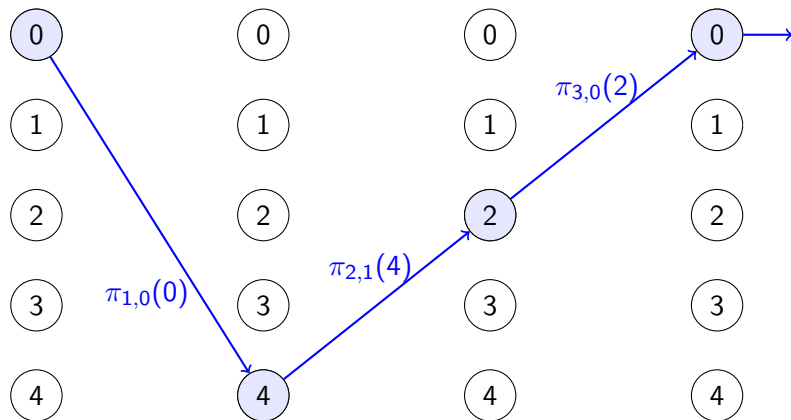
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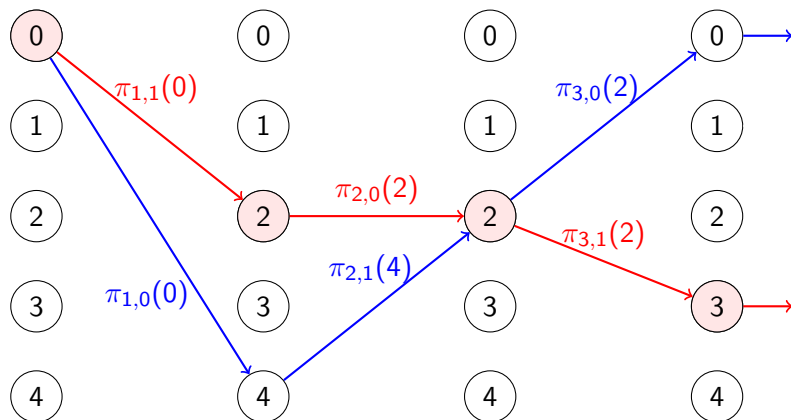


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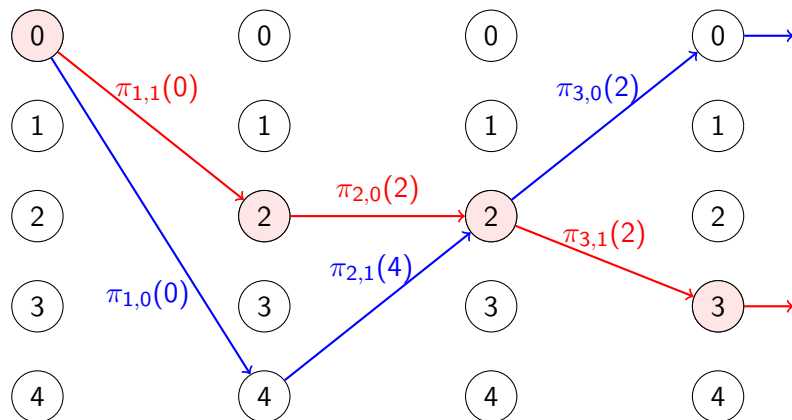
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[Barr86]: polynomially-long BP
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This work: Make BP's statements work with Stern's proofs [Ste93]

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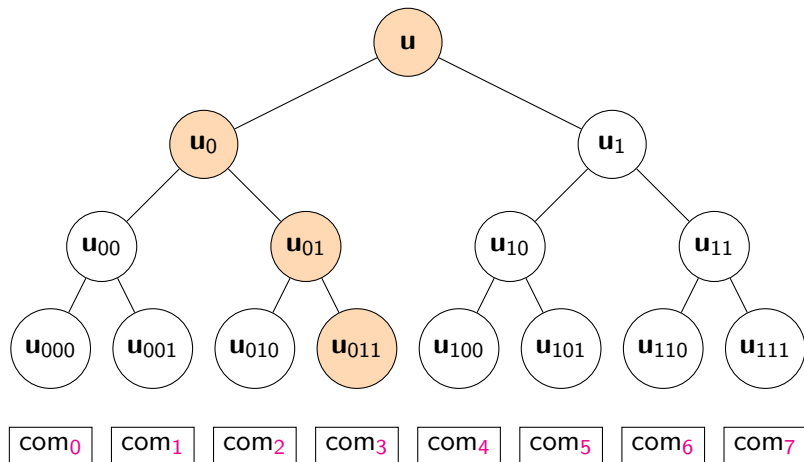
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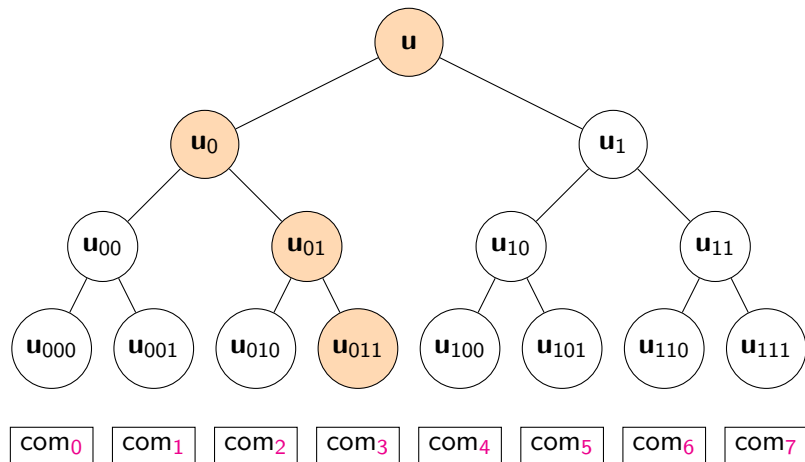
Our idea: use binary-search $\rightarrow O(L \cdot \log(\kappa))$

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$com_i = Com(x_i) \rightarrow$ correct binary search \Rightarrow knowledge of $x_{var(\theta)}$

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- ▶ **Binding** property: once sealed, a value cannot be changed
- ▶ **Hiding** property: nobody is able tell what is inside the box without the key

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- ▶ Non interactive variant exists: NIZK proofs
- ▶ Random-Oracle Model: transform from ZK to NIZK [FS86]
- ▶ Standard Model: Groth-Sahai for pairing-based crypto [GS08]

Zero-Knowledge Proofs for Lattices

No equivalent of Groth-Sahai proofs!

Reason

Lattices propose less algebraic structure than pairing groups.

Two main proof systems in lattice-based cryptography:

Lyubashevky like [Lyu09]: On Ring-LWE, concise but not expressive.
Algebraic

Stern like [Ste93]: On LWE, heavy but expressive.
Combinatorial

Both are interactive.

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[KTX08]: $\text{mod } 2 \rightarrow \text{mod } q$

[LNSW13]: Extends Stern's protocol for SIS and LWE statements

Recent uses of Stern-like protocols in lattice-based crypto:

[LNW15, LLNW16, LLNMW16]

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We use a SIS-based construction from Asiacrypt'16 [\[LLNMW16\]](#).

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Ingredients

- ▶ The assisted decryption technique
- ▶ A simplification of [LLNMW16]'s signatures as certificates
- ▶ Access control using BP
- ▶ WI proofs *à la* Stern

Our Adaptive Oblivious Transfer Construction

Initialization

Sender side:

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2. Compute $((\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{E}), (\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{P})) \leftarrow Regev.keygen(1^\lambda)$
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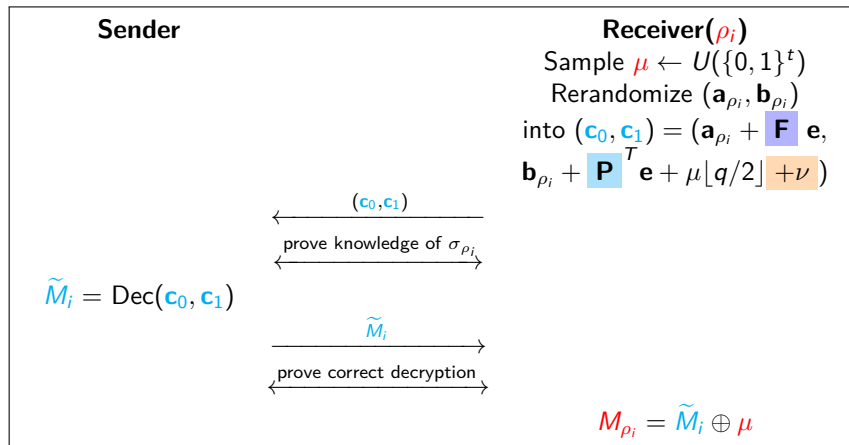
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- ▶ Our scheme is proven secure in the standard model
 - In the ROM: optimizations using NIWI proofs [\[FS86\]](#)

Comparison

Adaptive OT with Access Control

Protocol	Initialization Cost	Transfer Cost	Assumptions	Policies	Private Policies	Security
CDN09	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda \cdot N)$	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda) \cdot \text{Poly}(\lambda)$	q -type	Conj.	✗	Full-Sim
CDNZ11	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda \cdot N)$	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda) \cdot \text{Poly}(\lambda)$	q -type + XDDH	Conj.	✓	Full-Sim
ACDN13	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda \cdot N)$	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda) \cdot \text{Poly}(\lambda)$	DLIN + SXDH	Conj.	✗	UC
ZAW+10	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda \cdot N)$	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda)$	CP-ABE + q -type	NC ¹	✗	Full-Sim
CDEN12	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda \cdot N)$	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda \log N) + \text{Poly}(\lambda)$	CP-ABE + GGM	CNF ⁻	✓	Full-Sim
Ours	$\mathcal{O}(\lambda \cdot N)$	$\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}(\lambda \log N) + \text{Poly}(\lambda)$	LWE + SIS	NC ¹	✗	Full-Sim

CNF⁻ is a restricted version of CNF: $\text{AP}(EC) = \bigwedge_i \bigvee_j x_{i,j}$ where each $x_{i,j}$ belongs to a given category C_i (e.g. {Surgeon, Nurse, Administrative}).

Conclusion

- ▶ First AC-OT in the lattice setting that handles expressive statements (NC^1)
- ▶ Rely on LWE with superpolynomial modulus
- ▶ Proved in the full simulation model

Possible improvements:

- ▶ Remove smudging

