

Adaptive Oblivious Transfer with Access Control for Branching Programs

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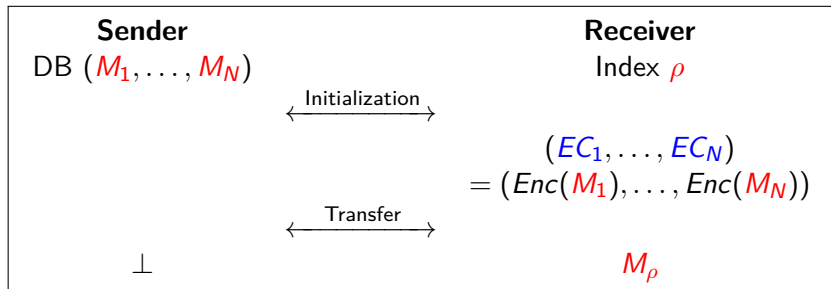


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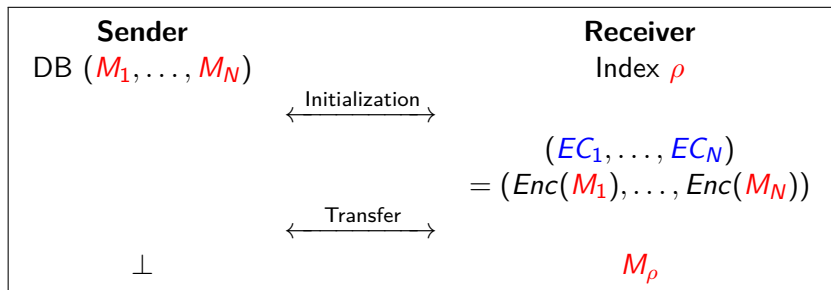


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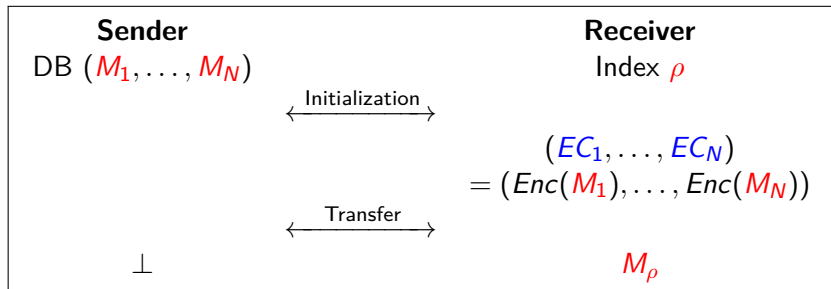


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- ▶ **Adaptive** OT: receiver adaptively obtains k messages [NP93]
 - Usage: Sensitive DB (DNA, financial data, ...).

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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

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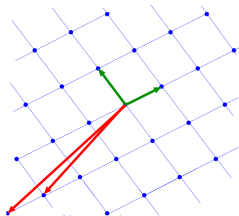
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Why?

- ▶ 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

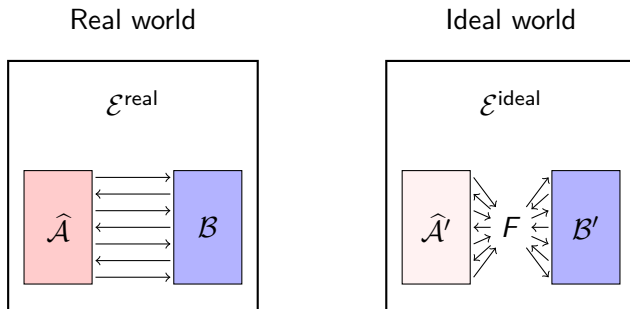
$$\left(\begin{array}{c} m \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbf{A} \\ \uparrow \\ n \end{array} \right), \mathbf{A} \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e}$$

$\mathbf{s} \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^n$ $\mathbf{e}$ small error

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

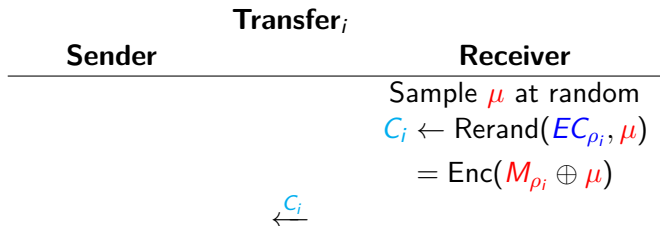
For any cheating $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$, there exists $\hat{\mathcal{A}}'$ s.t.



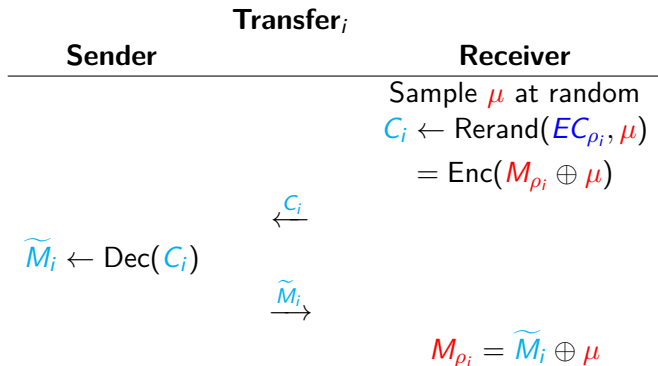
$$\text{View}(\mathcal{E}^{\text{real}}) \approx_s \text{View}(\mathcal{E}^{\text{ideal}})$$

- Strictly stronger security model than indistinguishability-based one

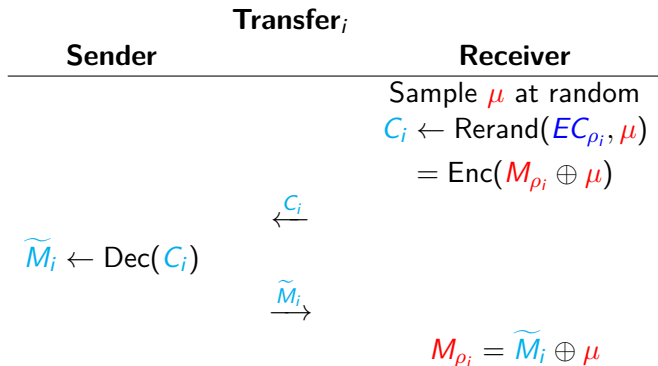
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+ Zero-knowledge proofs compatible with the
PKE (Keygen, Enc, Dec, Rerand)

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Smudging [\[AJL+12\]](#)

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

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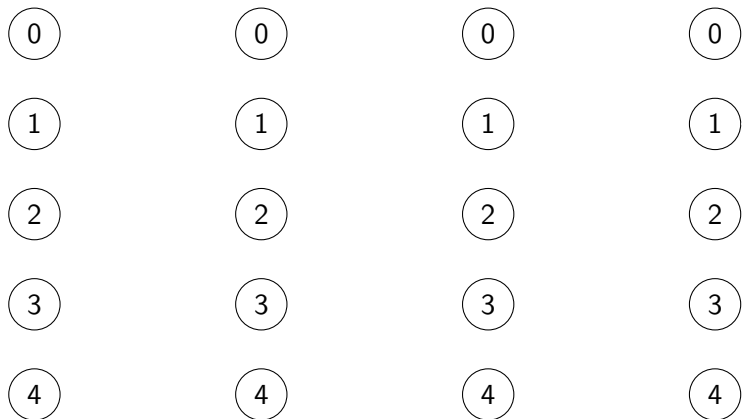
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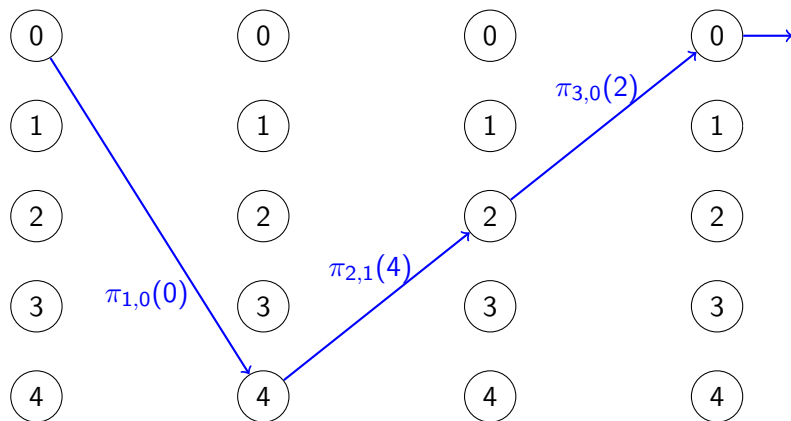
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Here: access policy made of **branching program** (BP).

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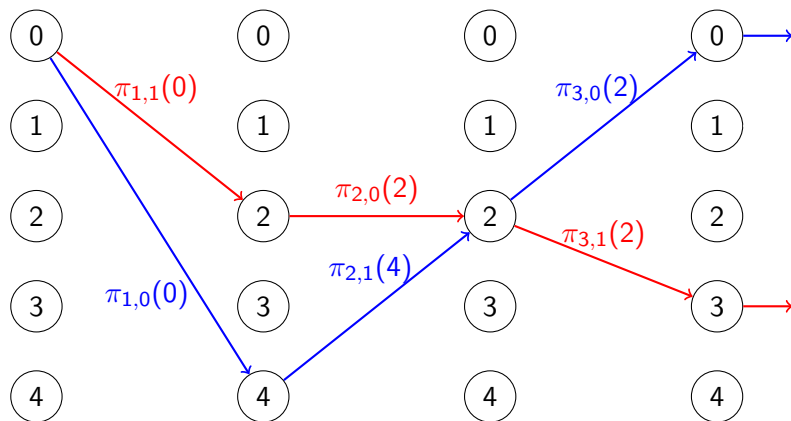


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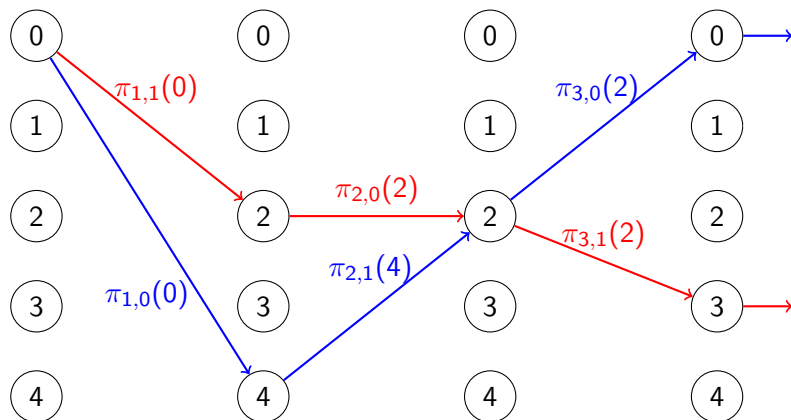
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[Barr86]: polynomially-long BP
 are equivalent to NC^1

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► Statements over BP interact well with Stern's protocol [Ste93].

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$$\mathbf{z}_{BP} = (d_{1,1}, \dots, d_{1,\delta_\kappa}, \dots, d_{L,1}, \dots, d_{L,\delta_\kappa}, \pi_{1,0}(0), \dots, \pi_{1,0}(4), \pi_{1,1}(0), \dots, \pi_{1,1}(4), \dots, \pi_{L,0}(0), \dots, \pi_{L,0}(4), \pi_{L,1}(0), \dots, \pi_{L,1}(4)) \in [0, 4]^\zeta$$

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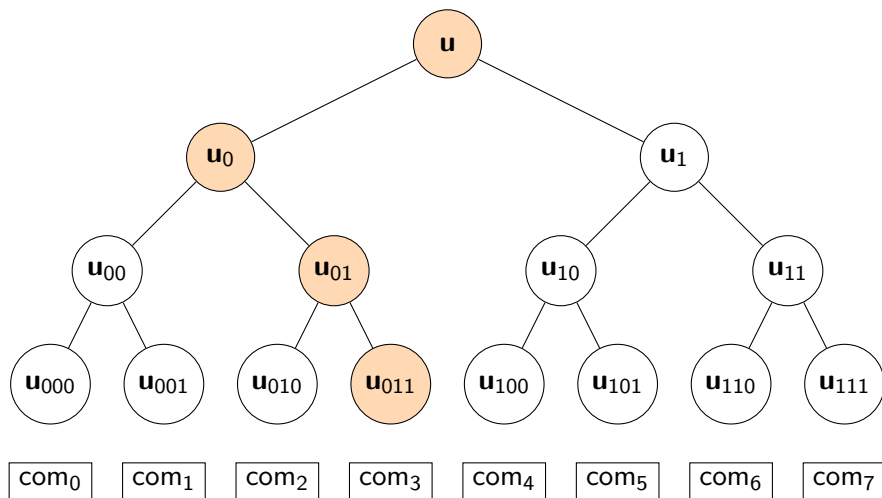
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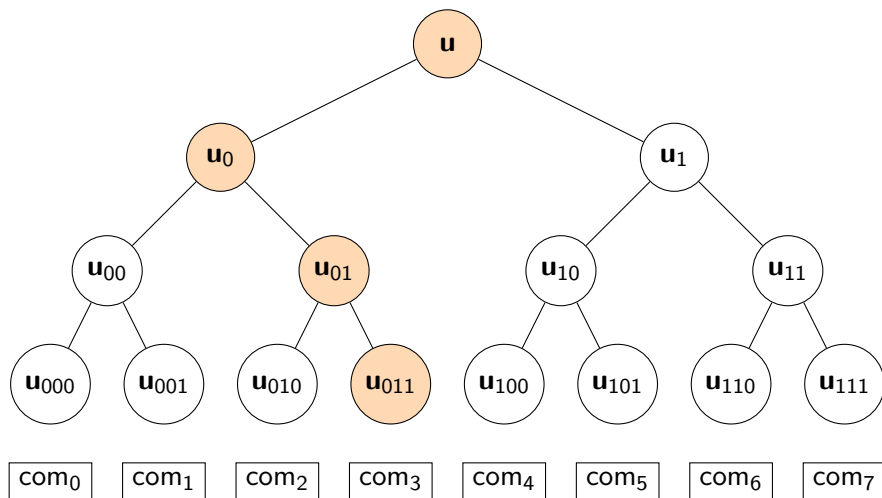
Our idea: use binary-search $\rightarrow O(L \cdot \log(\kappa))$

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

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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, LLN^{MW}16]

Our Construction

Ingredients

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

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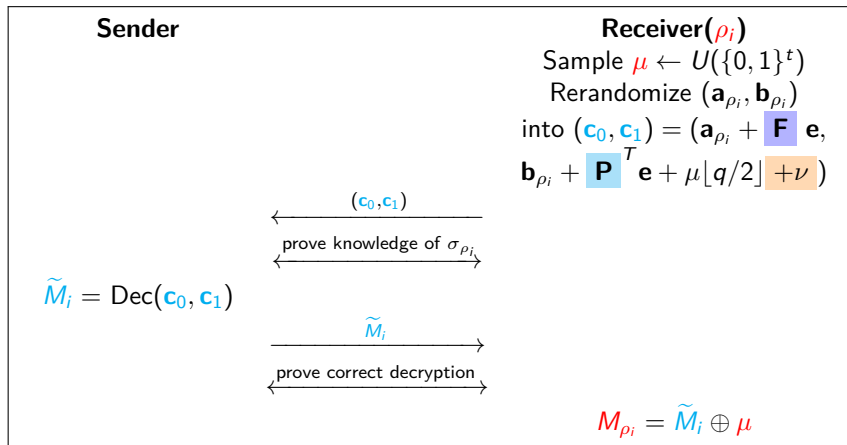
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Sender sends $(\text{VK}_{sig}, (\text{F}, \text{P}), EC_i)$ to the receiver and proves that everything was done correctly.

Sender keeps the previous information and (S, E) .

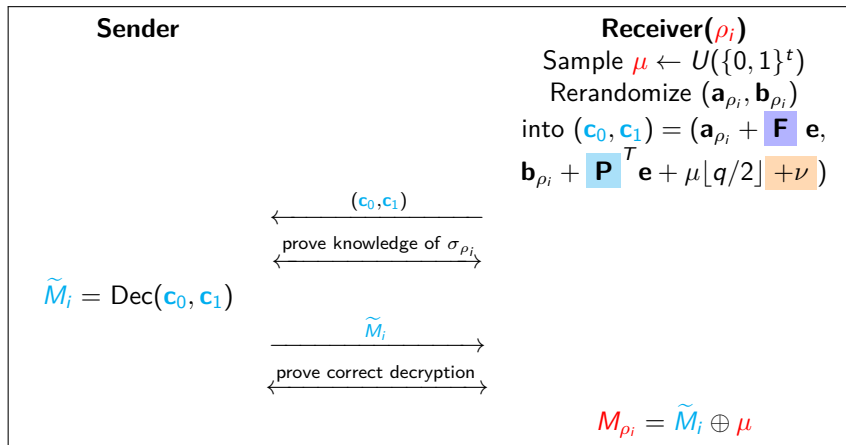
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- ▶ Our scheme is proven secure in the standard model
 - In the ROM: optimizations using NIWI proofs [\[FS86\]](#)

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:

- ▶ Get rid of the smudging technique

Questions?

