

Lattice-Based zk-SNARKs from Square Span Programs

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Intuition



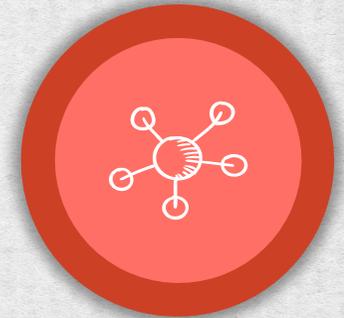
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Security

Security Model
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Motivation



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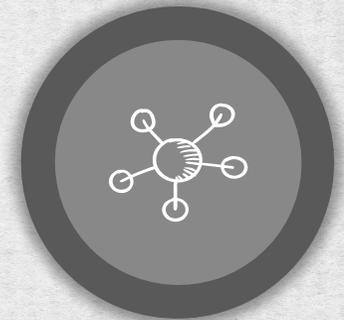
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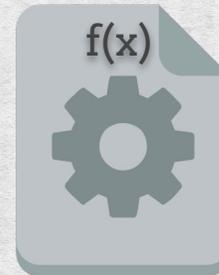


Security

Cryptography in the Cloud



Privacy



Integrity

Authenticity

Cryptography

Much of the cryptography used today offers security properties for **data** and **communication**.

Aspects in information security:

- **data confidentiality**
- **authentication**
- **data integrity**

what about computations?



Delegated Computation



Client

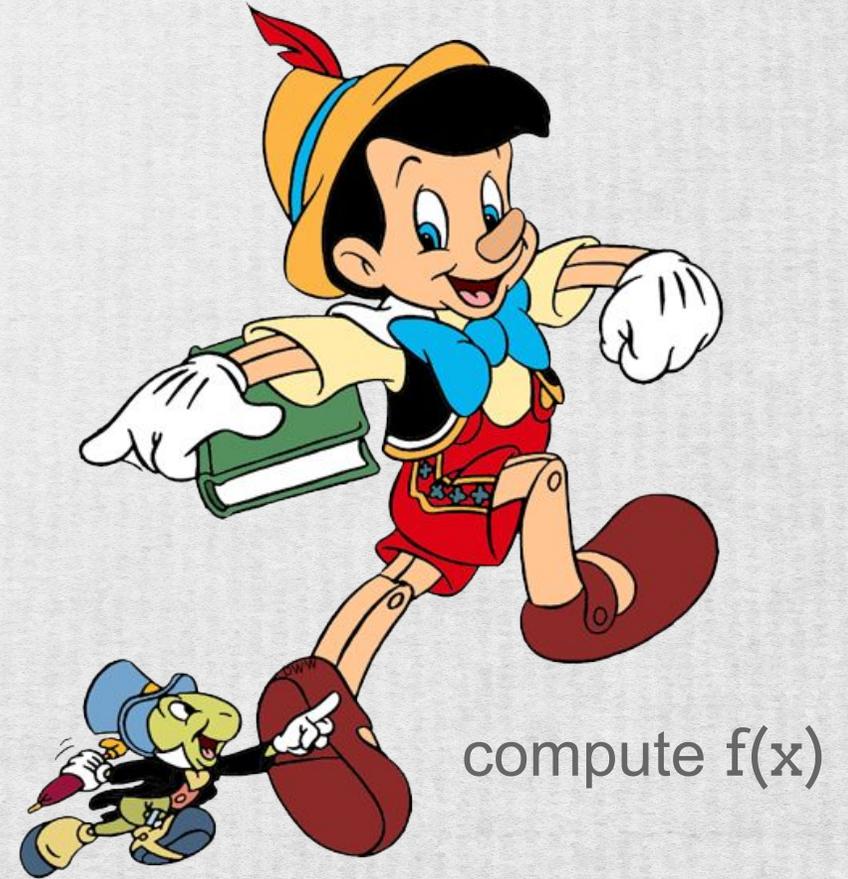


Worker

Delegated Computation



Client



compute $f(x)$

Worker

Delegated Computation



Client

“I have the
result $\mathbf{y}=f(\mathbf{x})$ ”



Worker

Unreliable worker



Client

$$y^* \neq f(x)$$



Corrupted
Worker

Ask for a proof



Client
Verifier

Verify π

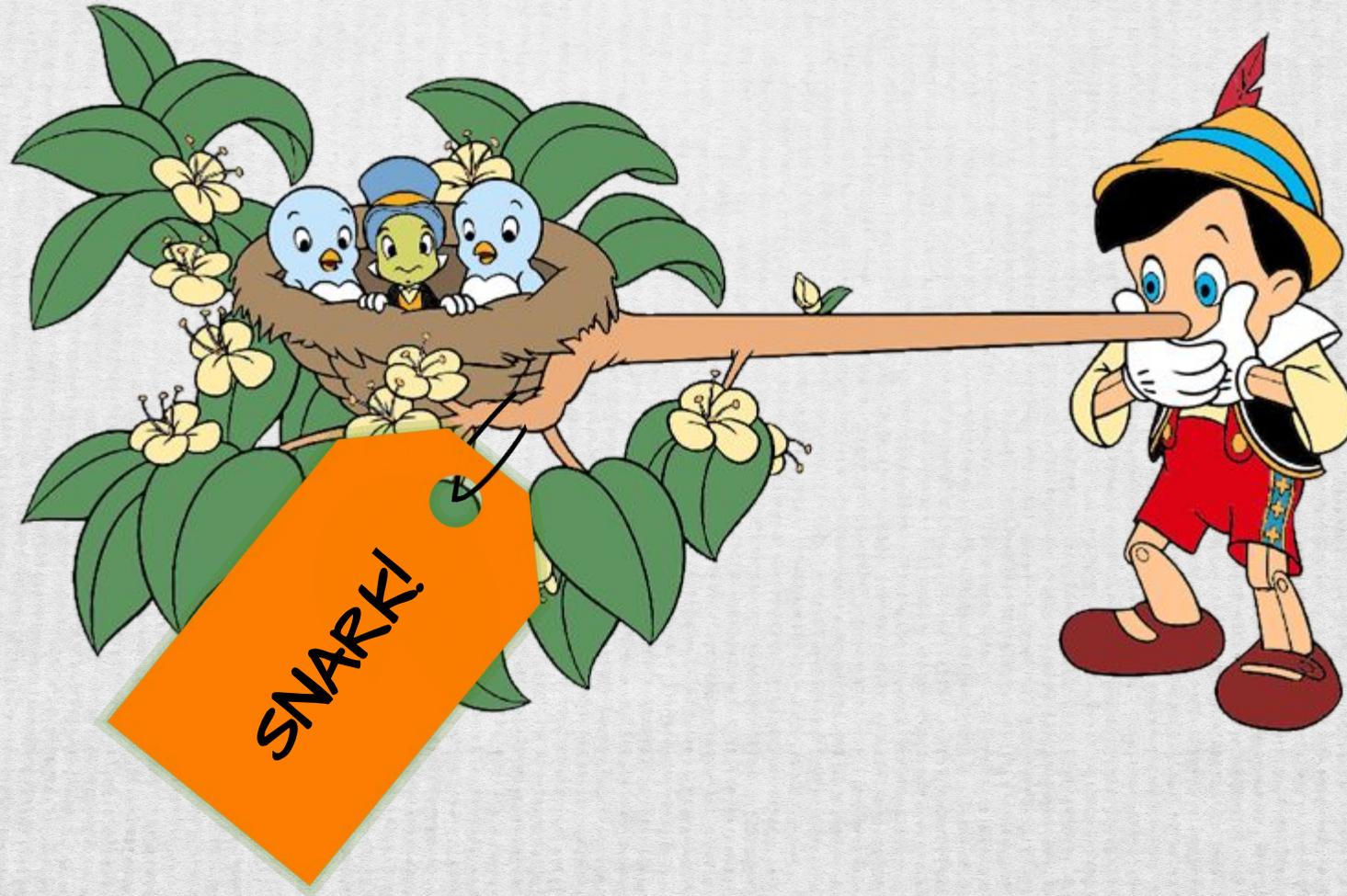
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Proof π



Worker
Prover

Integrity for Computation



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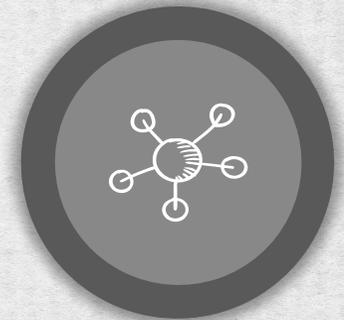


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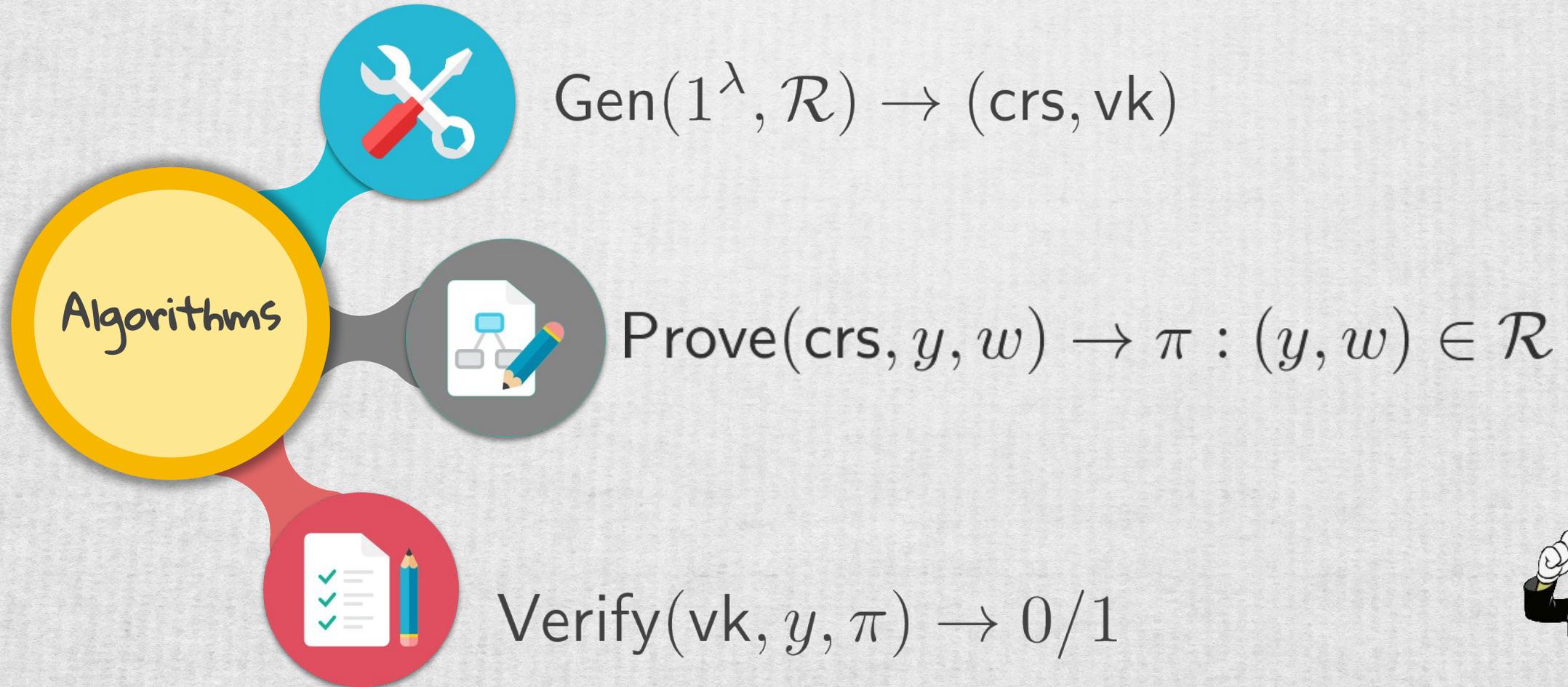


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Proof Systems: Since 1980s

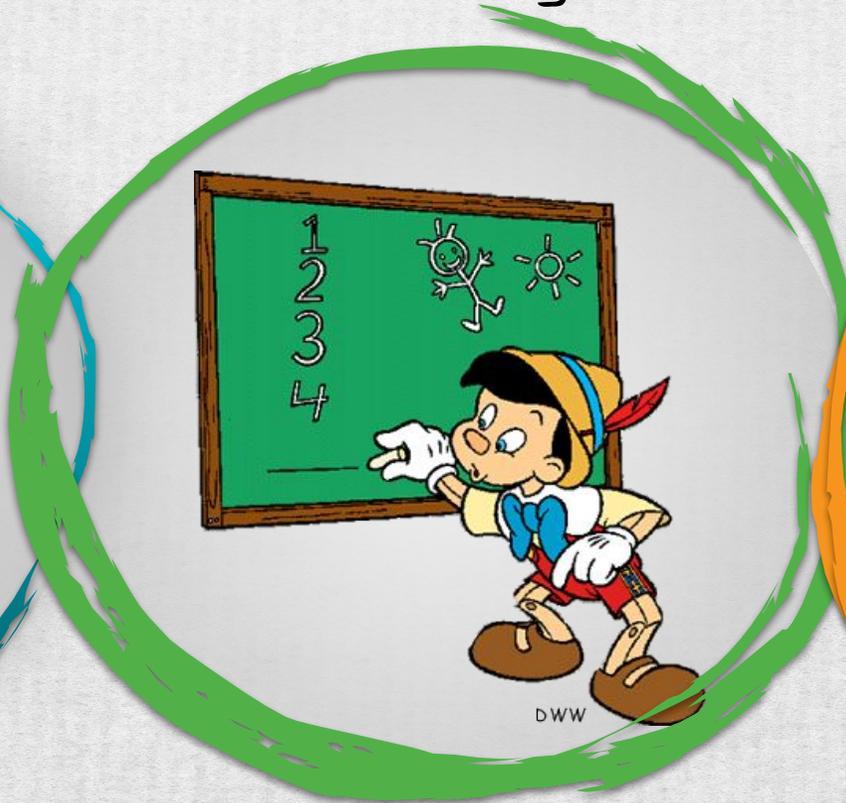


Properties for the Proof

Zero-Knowledge



Proof of Knowledge



Succinct



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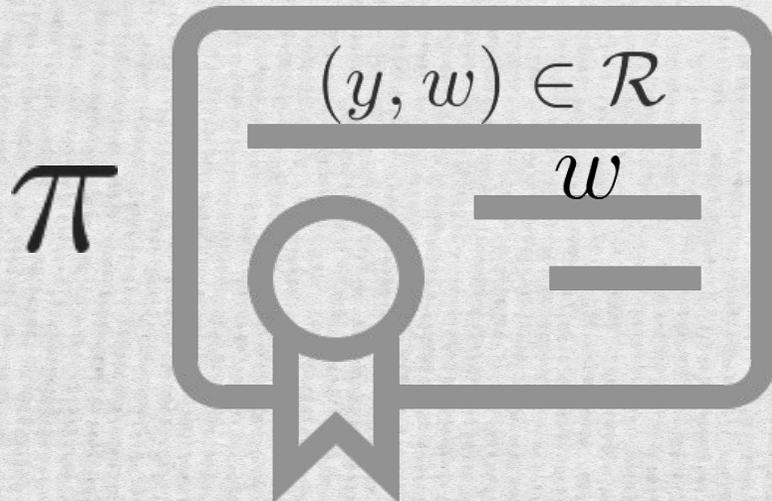
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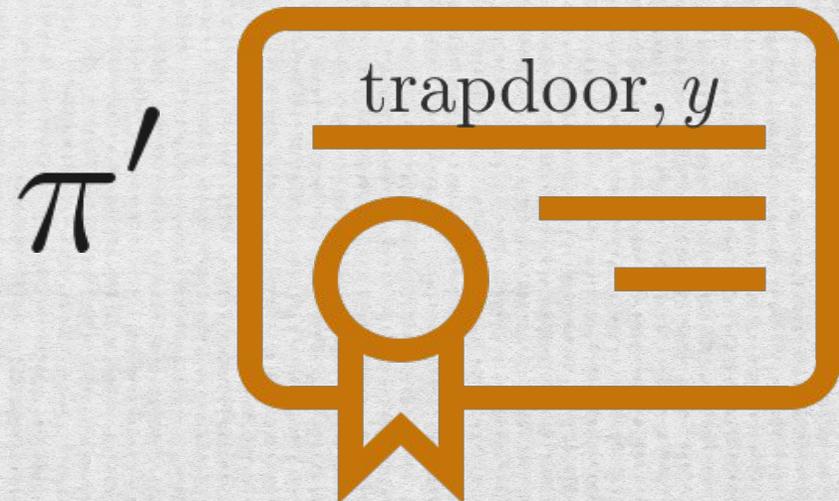
Prover



Simulator



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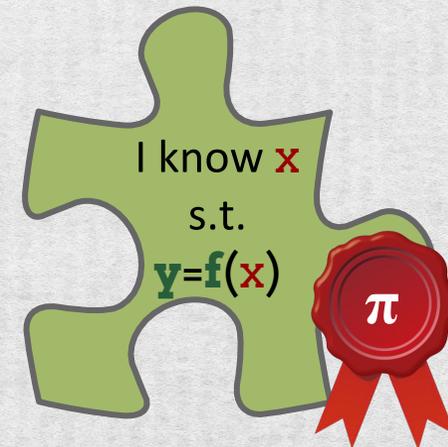
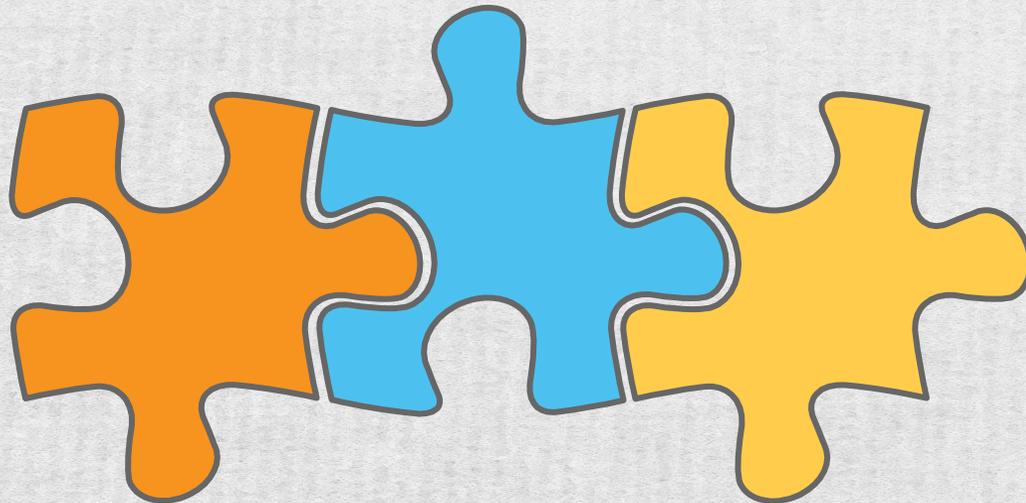


Proofs in Confidential Transactions

Key Properties for usage in Distributed Protocols

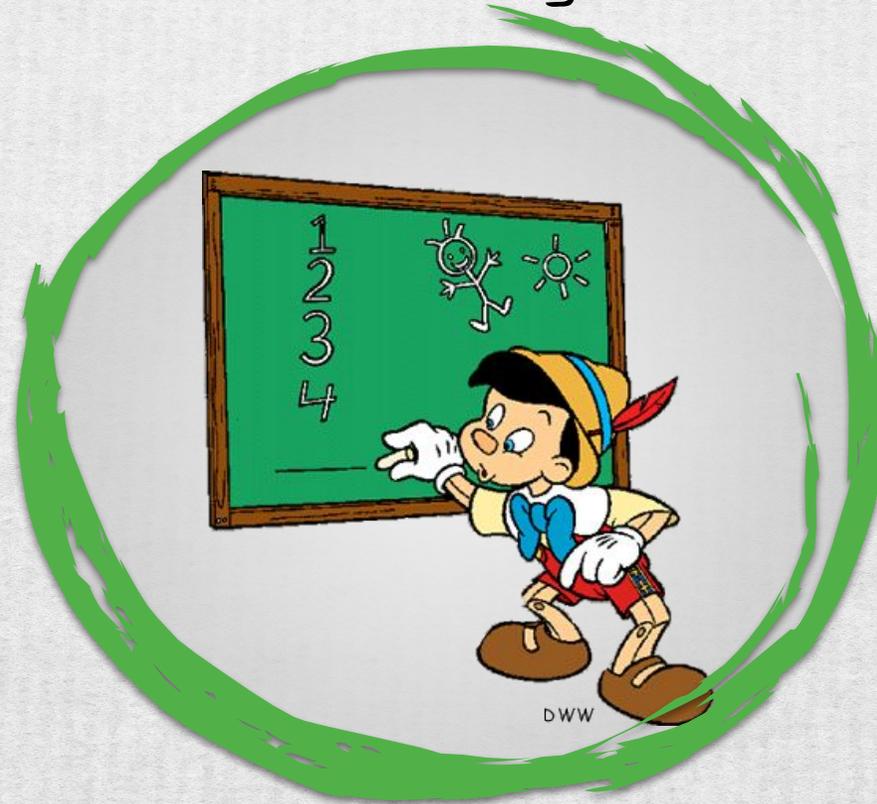
Private Blockchain

- **zero knowledge**
- **proof of knowledge**
- non-interactivity
- publicly verifiable
- succinctness



Properties for the Proof

Proof of
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Argument of Knowledge

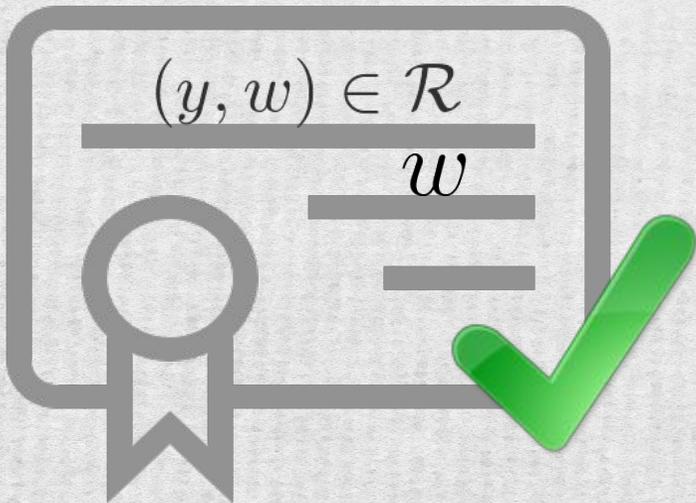
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Adversary

π



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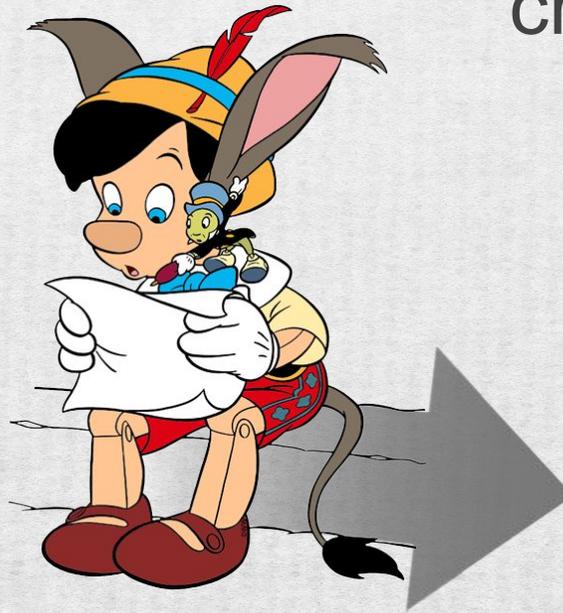
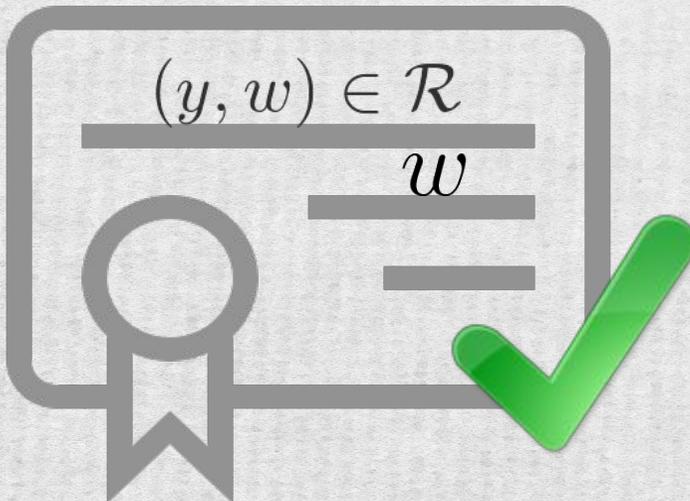
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extractor

π



SNARK: Succinct Non-Interactive ARgument of Knowledge



Implementations: Pinocchio, Geppetto

Pinocchio:
Nearly Practical
Verifiable
Computation

Bryan Parno,
Jon Howell,
Craig Gentry,
Mariana Raykova



Geppetto: versatile
verifiable
Computation

Craig Costello,
Cédric Fournet,
Jon Howell,
Markulf Kohlweiss,
Benjamin Kreuter, Michael
Naehrig
Bryan Parno,
Samee Zahur

Quantum Attacks

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- publicly-verifiable (only CRS)
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Post-Quantum zk-SNARKs:

- based on **lattice assumptions**
- designated-verifiable (*vk*)
- zero-knowledge



Construction



**Proof
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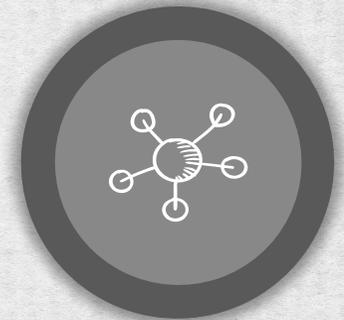


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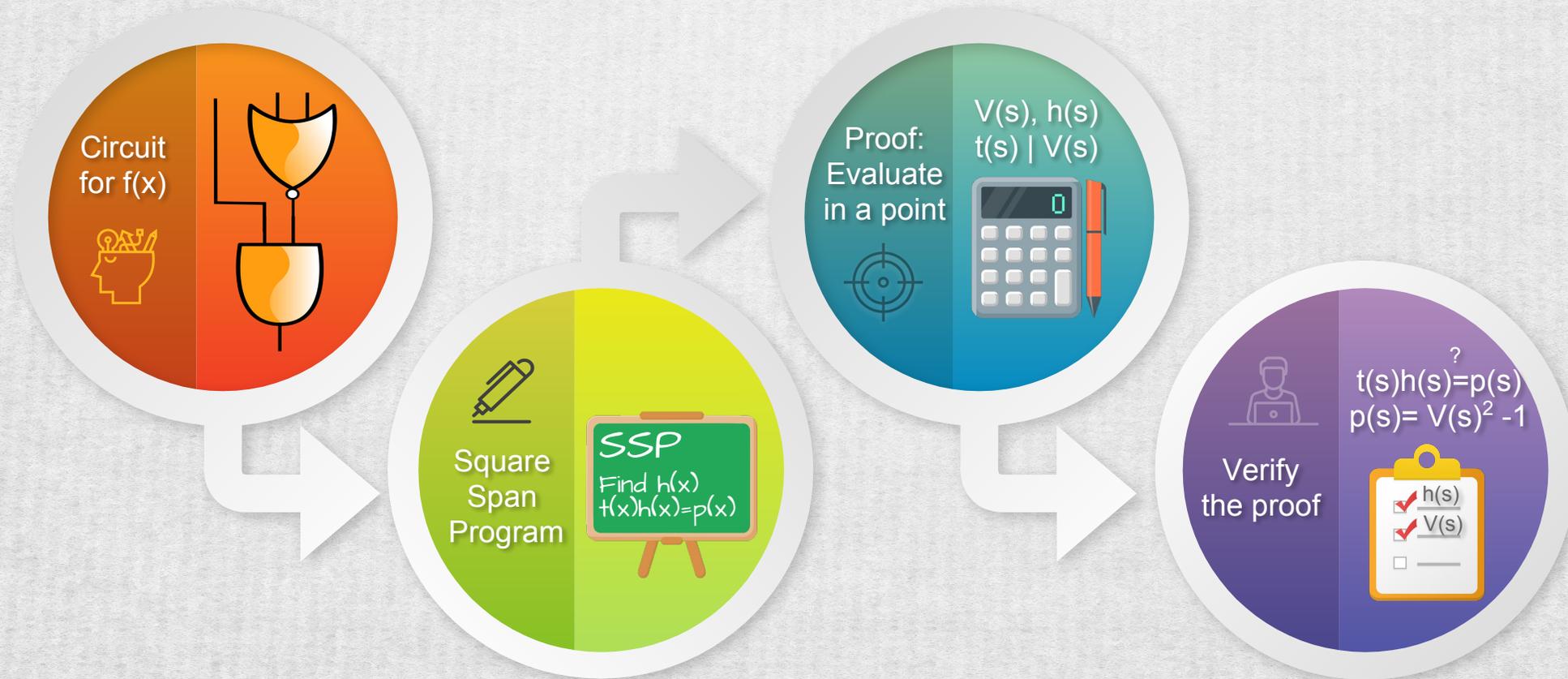
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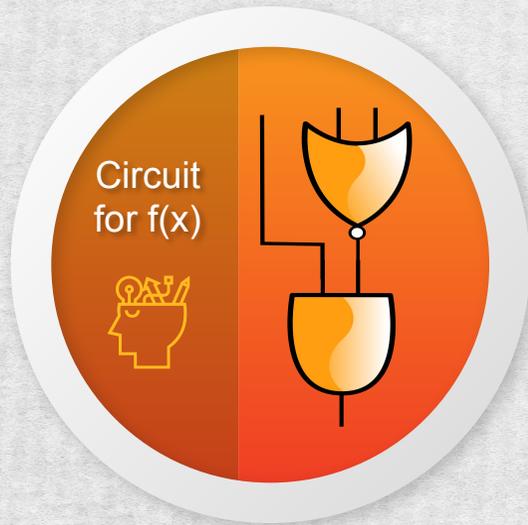


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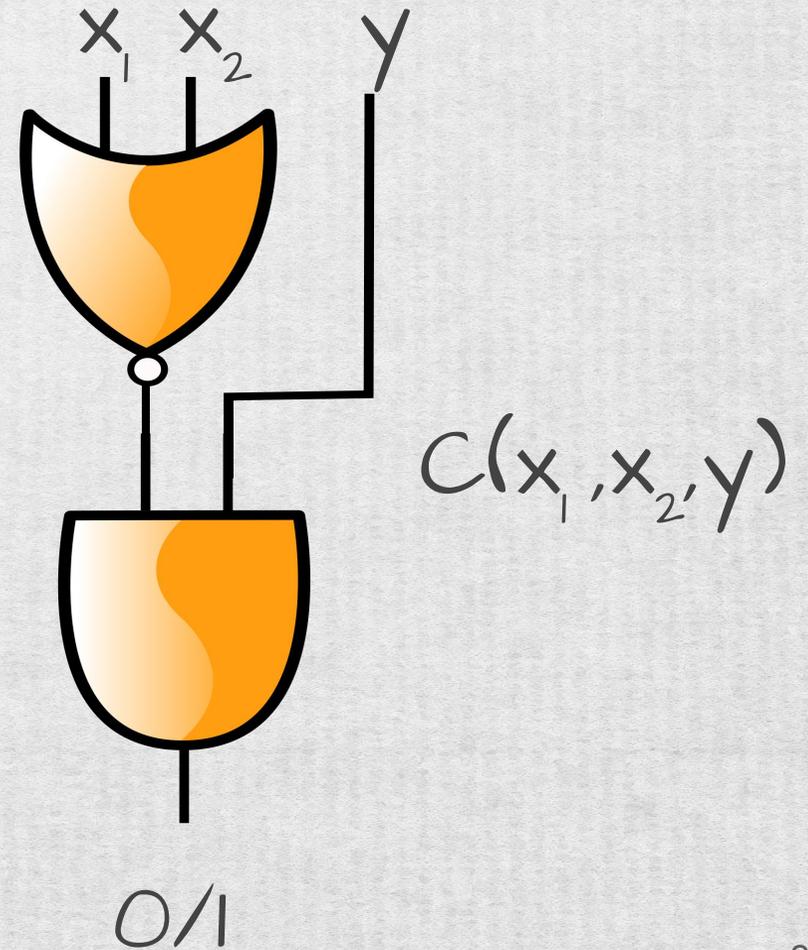
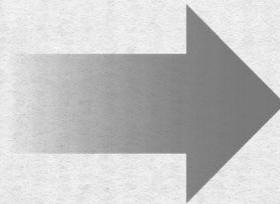
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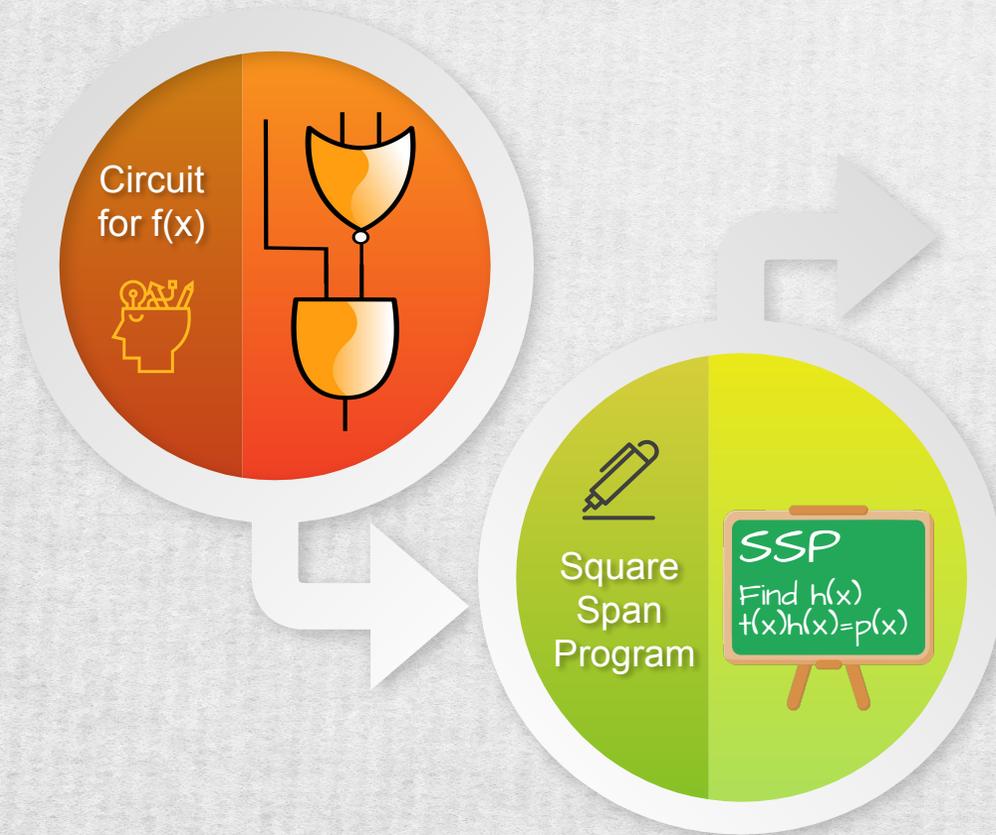
Circuit Satisfiability Problem



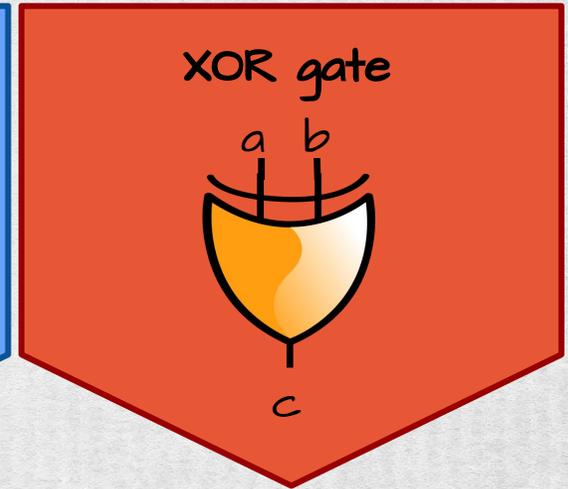
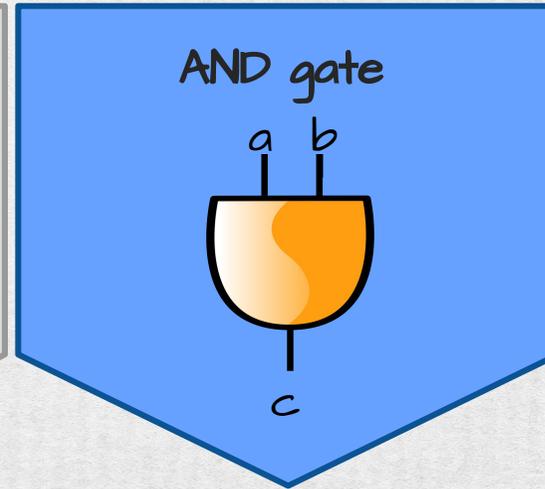
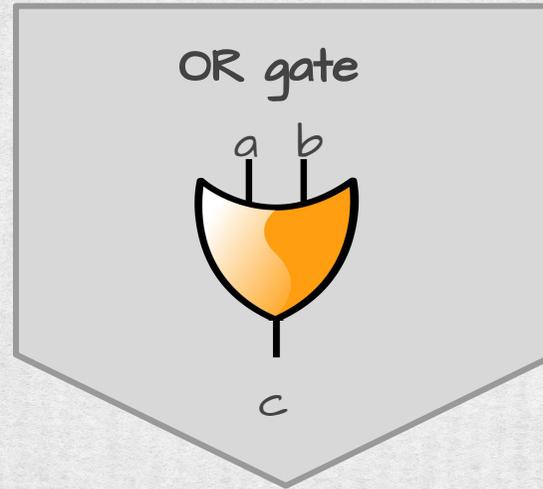
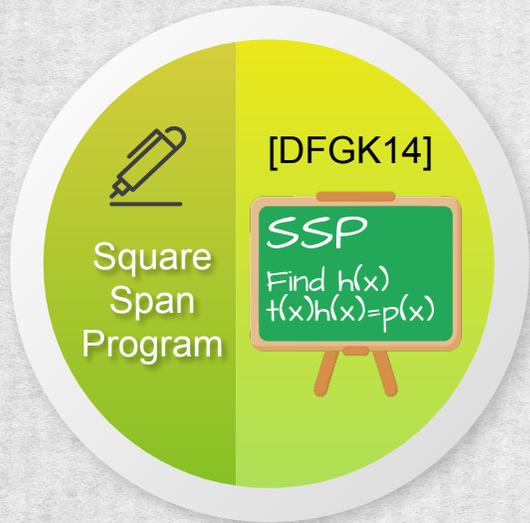
$$f(x_1, x_2) = y$$



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Step 1. Linearization of logic gates

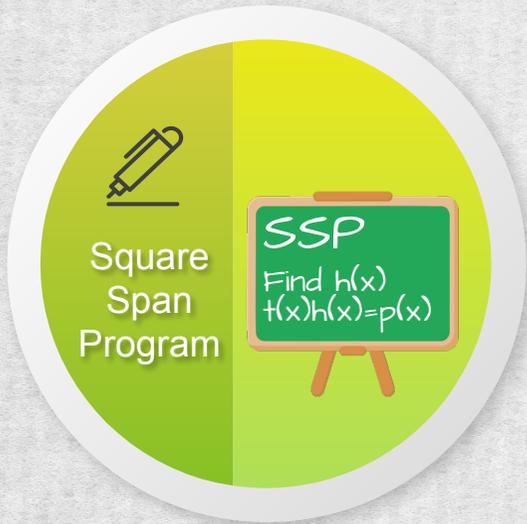


a b c	a b c	a b c
0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
0 1 1	0 1 0	0 1 1
1 0 1	1 0 0	1 0 1
1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 0
$-a - b + 2c \in \{0,1\}$	$a + b - 2c \in \{0,1\}$	$a + b + c \in \{0,2\}$

Step 2. Matrix equation for circuit

OR gate	AND gate	XOR gate	Output gate = 1	Entries = bits
$-a - b + 2c \in \{0,1\}$	$a + b - 2c \in \{0,1\}$	$a + b + c \in \{0,2\}$	$3 - 3c \in \{0,1\}$	$2a, 2b \in \{0,2\}$

$$\alpha a + \beta b + \gamma c + \delta \in \{0,2\}$$



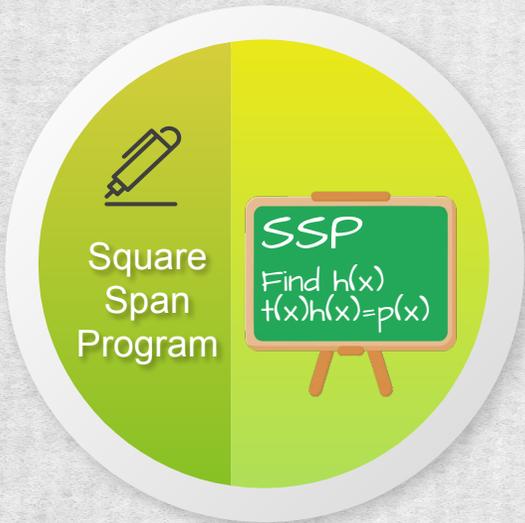
$$V A + \delta \in \{0,2\}^d$$

$$\left(V A + \delta \right) \circ \left(V A + \delta - 2 \right) = 0$$

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$$\left[\begin{array}{c} V \\ A \end{array} + \delta \right] \circ \left[\begin{array}{c} V \\ A \end{array} + \delta - 2 \right] = 0$$

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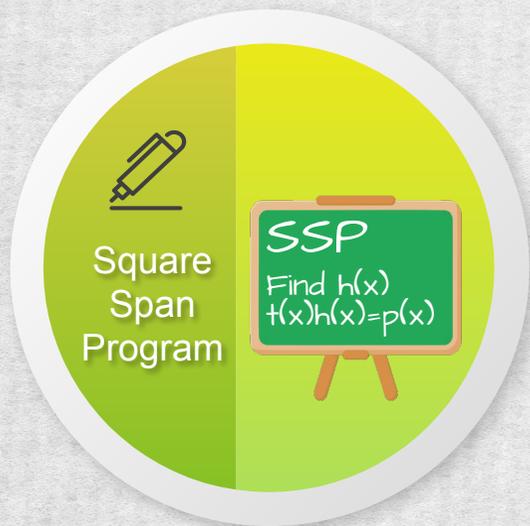
Step 3. Polynomial Interpolation

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} \boxed{V} & \boxed{A} & \boxed{\delta - 1} \end{array} \right) \circ \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} \boxed{V} & \boxed{A} & \boxed{\delta - 1} \end{array} \right) = \boxed{1}$$

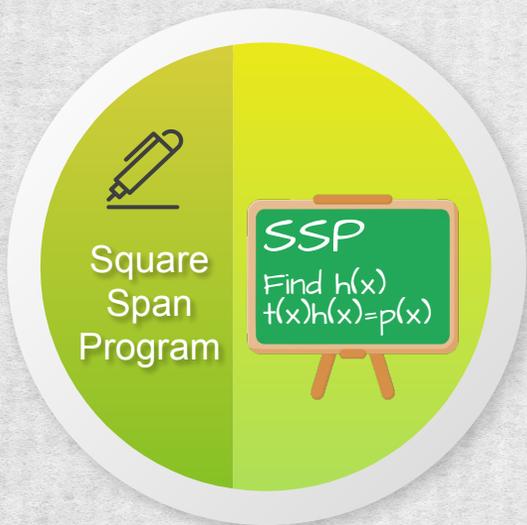
↓ $\forall \{r_j\} \in \mathbb{F}^d$

$$\left(v_0(r_j) + \sum_{i=1}^m a_i v_i(r_j) \right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$v_0(r_j) = \delta_j - 1 \qquad v_i(r_j) = V_{ji}$$



Step 4. Polynomial Problem SSP



$$\left(v_0(r_j) + \sum_{i=1}^m a_i v_i(r_j) \right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\downarrow \forall \{r_j\} \in \mathbb{F}^d$$

$$\prod_{j=1}^d (x - r_j) \mid \left(v_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m a_i v_i(x) \right)^2 - 1$$

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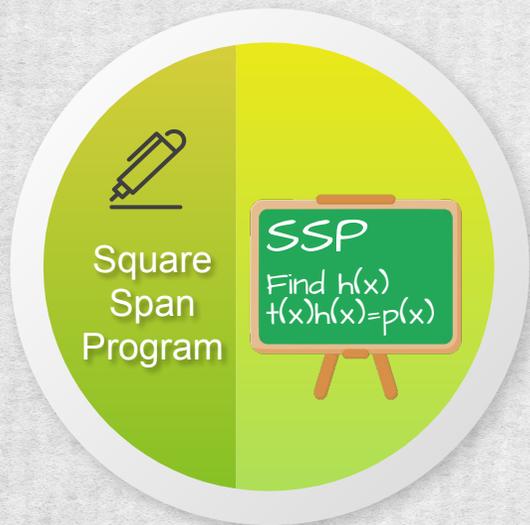
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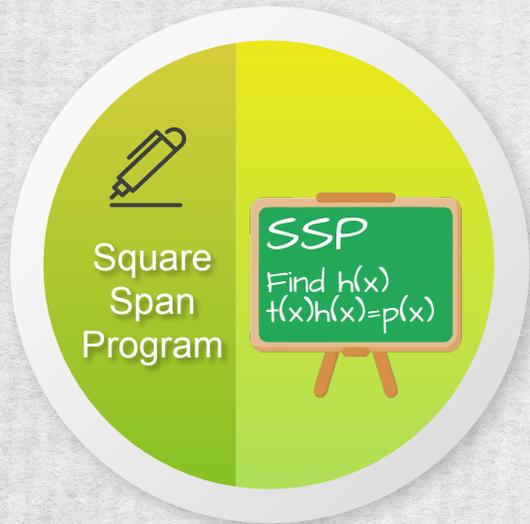
$$t(x) \mid V(x)^2 - 1$$

$$V(x) = v_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m a_i v_i(x)$$

$$t(x) = \prod_{j=1}^d (x - r_j)$$



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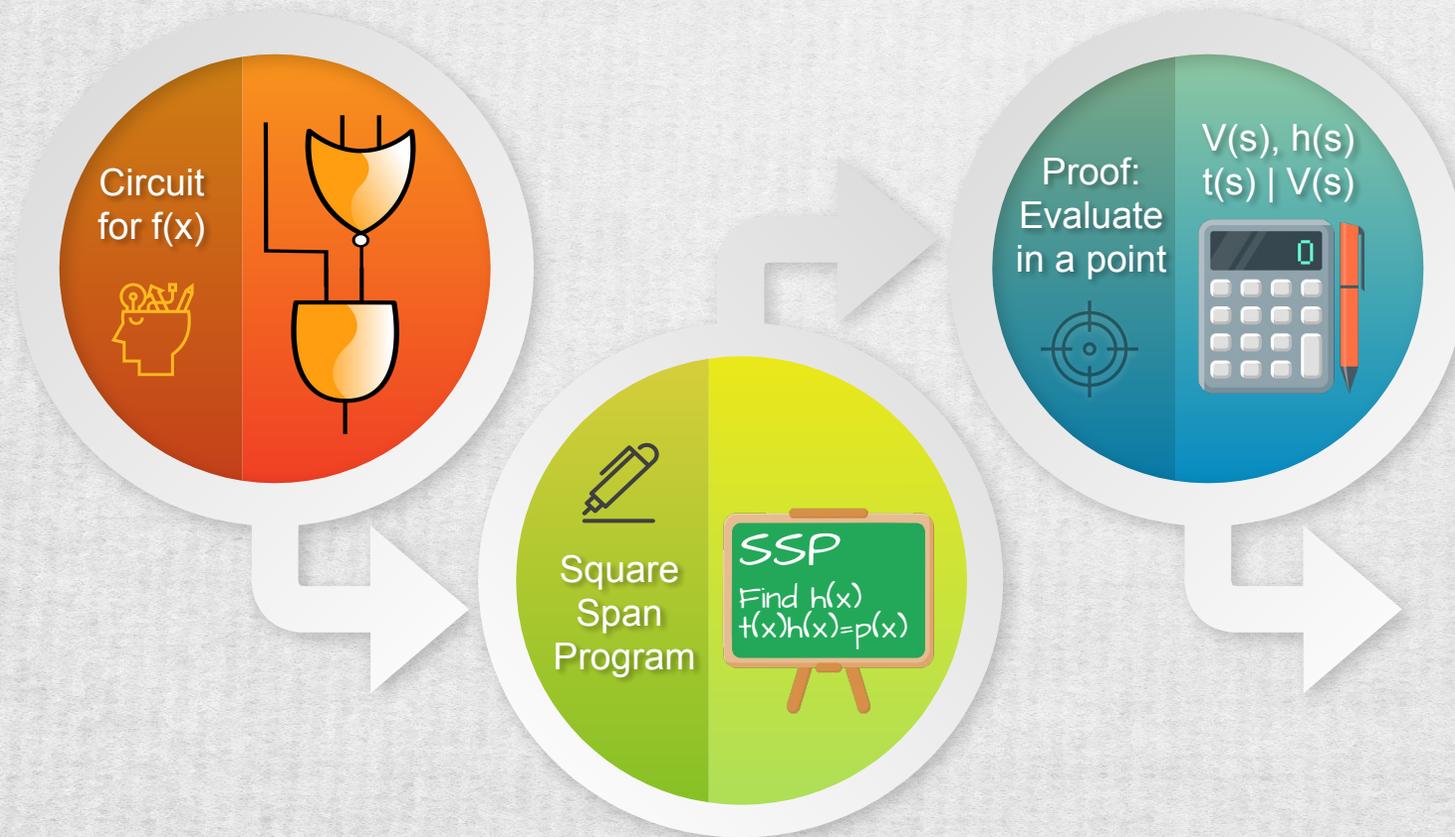
SSP

For $\{v_i(x)\}_{i=1,m}$, $t(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$
find $V(x), h(x)$ such that

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$$t(x)h(x) = V(x)^2 - 1$$

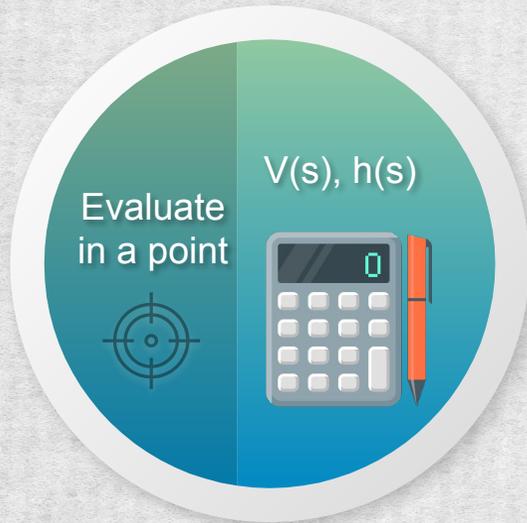
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Proving on top of SSP: Idea



$$V(x), h(x) = ?$$
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Prover. Has to find 2 polynomials that satisfy the conditions of the SSP problem.

degree of each polynomial = **size** of the Circuit

Send all the coefficients to the Verifier...

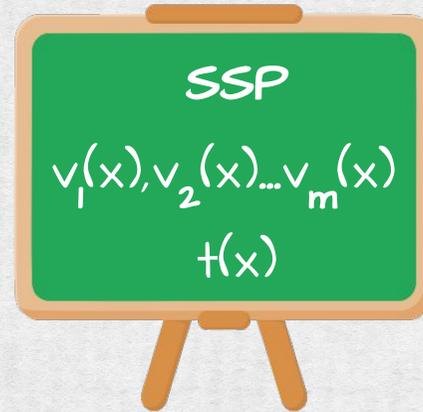
Size of the proof = TOO Large!!!

Succinct Proof

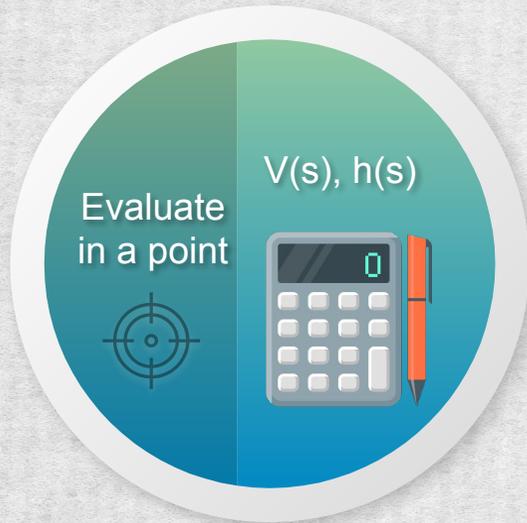
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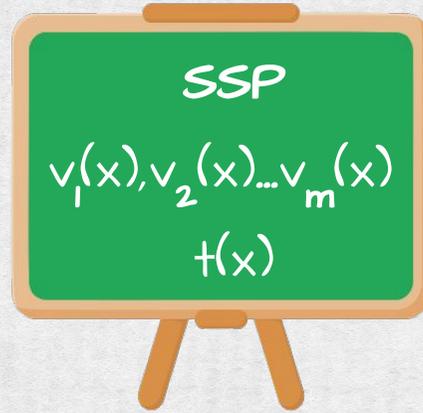
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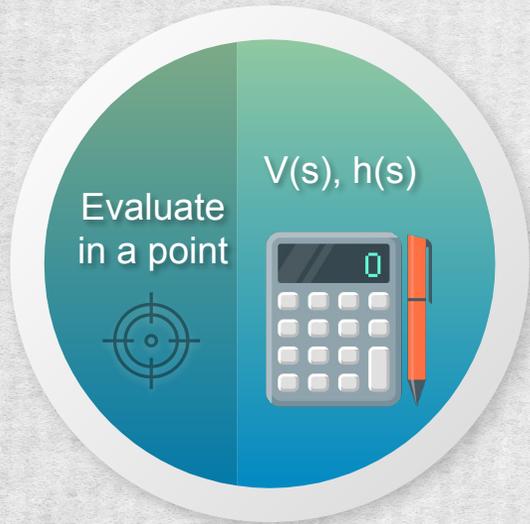
Prover: Evaluate the solution (the two polynomials) in a random unknown point s

Preprocessing: Publish all necessary powers of s (hidden from the **Prover**)

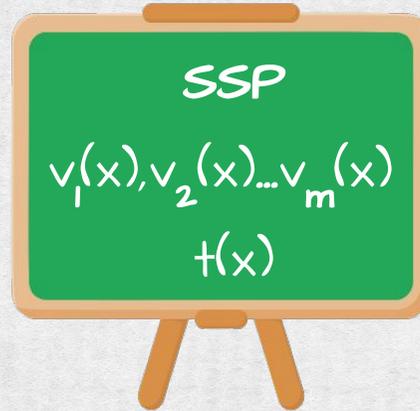
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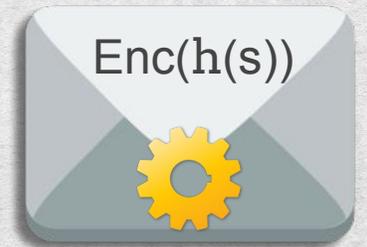
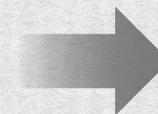
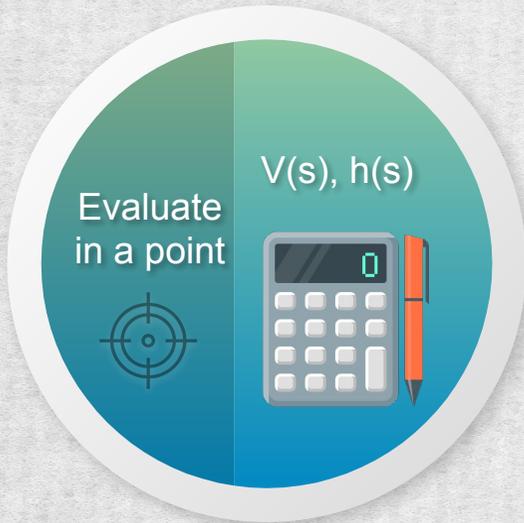
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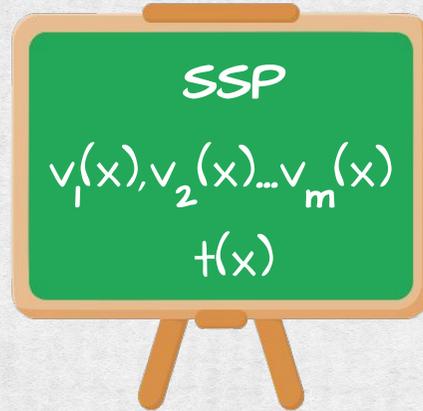


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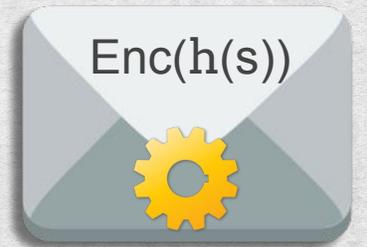
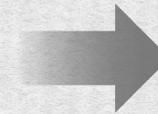
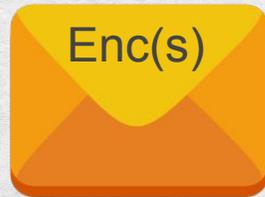
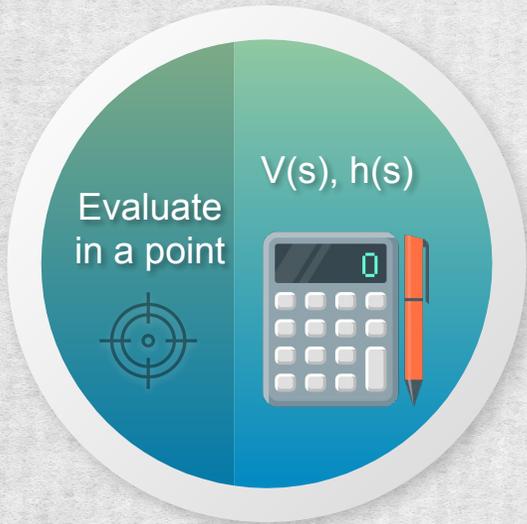


$$= \text{Enc}(\sum h_i s^i)$$

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Encoding:

- *linearly* homomorphic

$$\text{Enc}(\sum h_j s^j) = \sum_j h_j \text{Enc}(s^j)$$

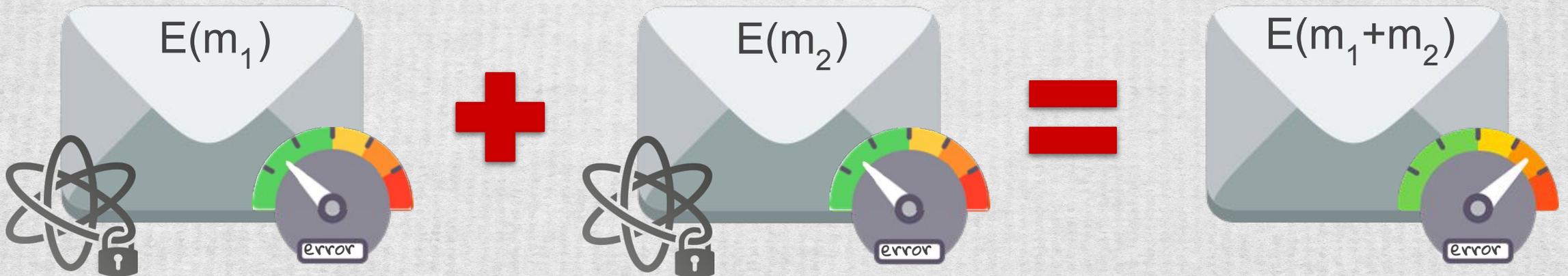
Lattice-based Encodings: Regev Encryption Scheme

Encryption: $E_{\vec{s}}(m) = (-\vec{a}, \vec{a}\vec{s} + pe + m), e \in \chi$

Decryption: $D_{\vec{s}}((\vec{c}_0, c_1)) = \vec{c}_0 \cdot \vec{s} + c_1 \pmod{p}$

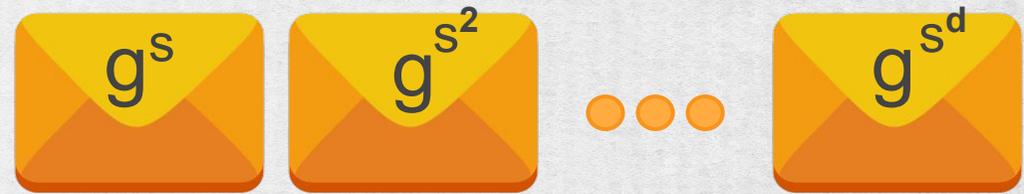


$$E_{\vec{s}}(m_1) + E_{\vec{s}}(m_2) = (-\vec{a}_1 - \vec{a}_2, (\vec{a}_1 + \vec{a}_1)\vec{s} + p(e_1 + e_2) + m_1 + m_2)$$



Discrete Log Encoding

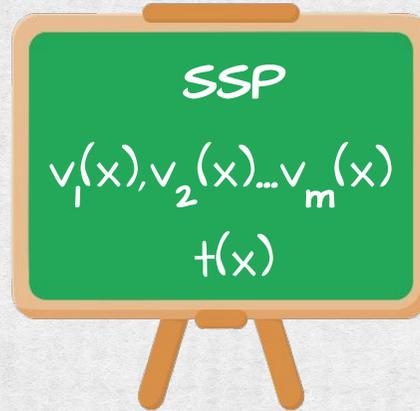
$$\begin{aligned} \langle g \rangle &= \mathbb{G}, \langle \tilde{g} \rangle = \tilde{\mathbb{G}} \\ Enc(s) &= g^s & e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} &\rightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{G}} \\ & & e(g^a, g^b) &= \tilde{g}^{ab} \end{aligned}$$



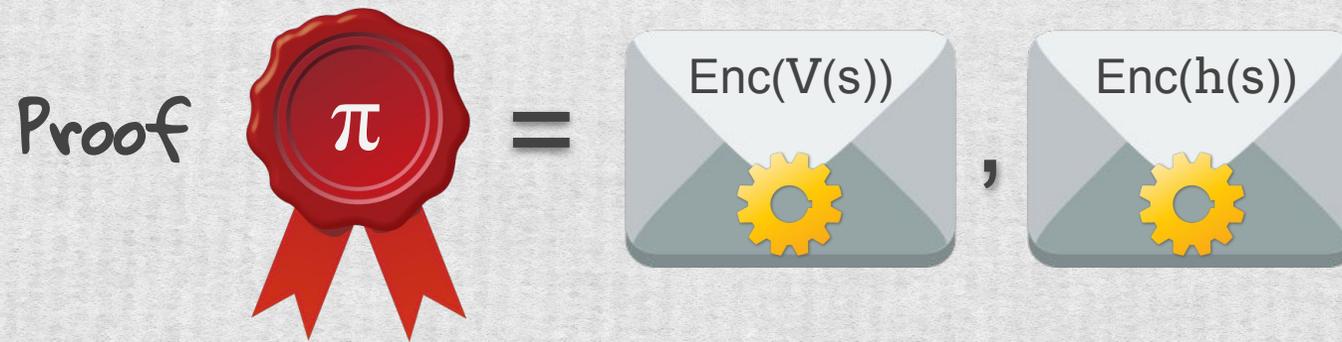
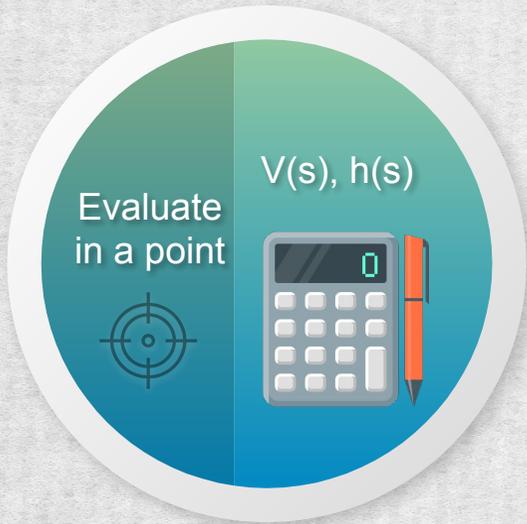
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$$Enc(p(s)) = g^{p(s)} = g^{\sum_i p_i s^i} = \prod (g^{s^i})^{p_i}$$

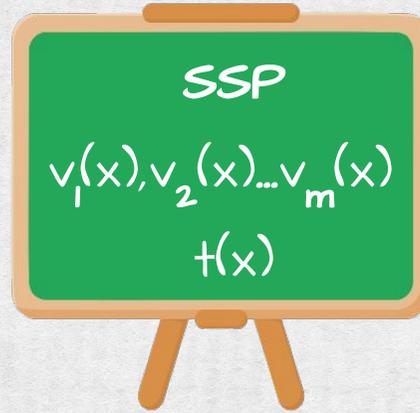
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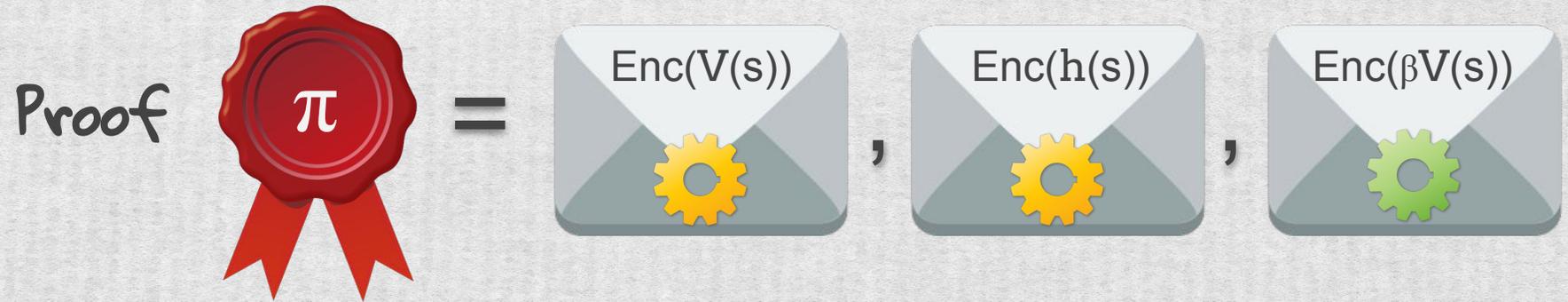
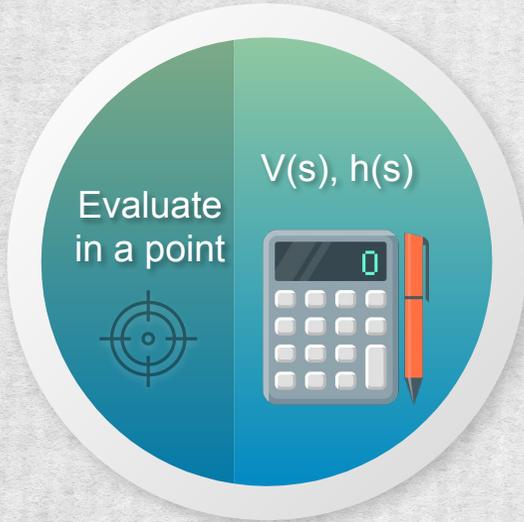
Span Property



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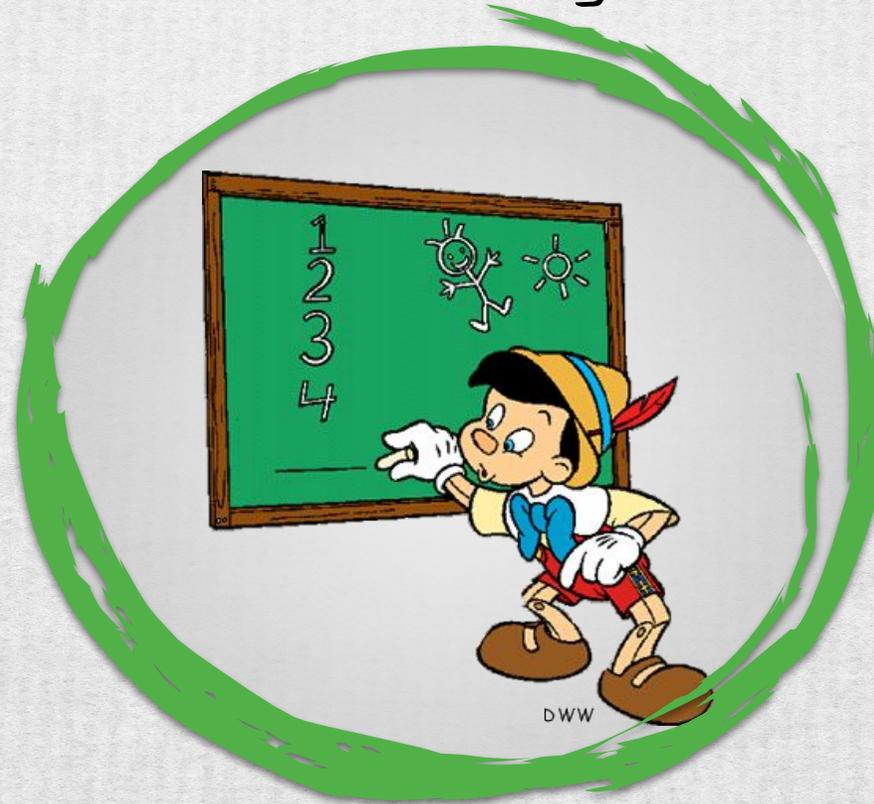
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Not an Argument of Knowledge! Extractability?

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Knowledge



DWW

Argument of Knowledge

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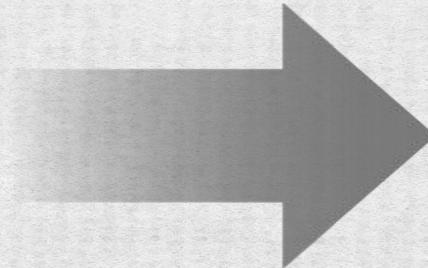
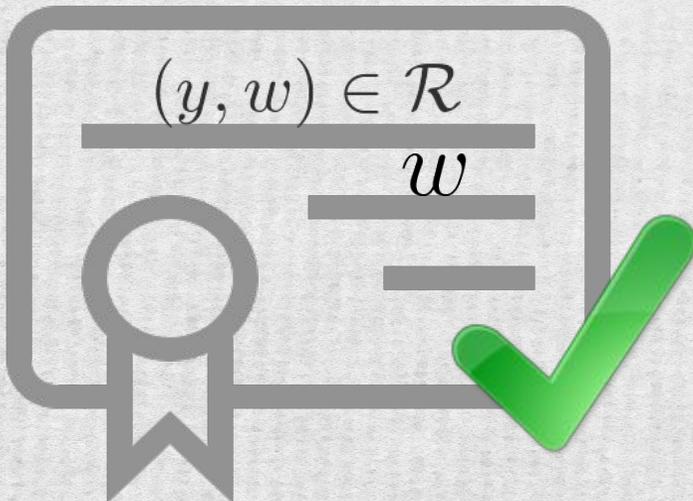
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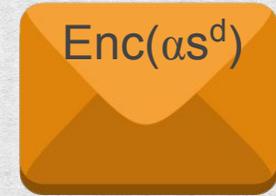
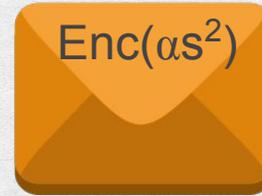
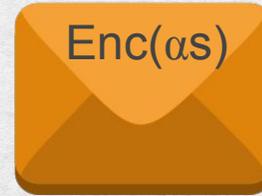
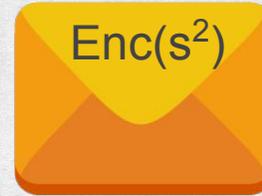
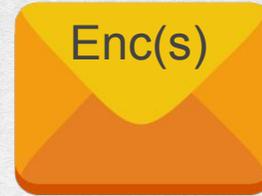
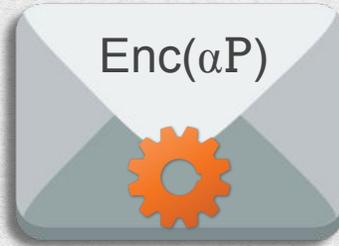
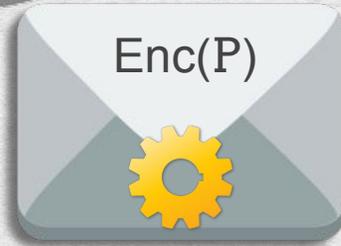
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Assumption PKE: Power Knowledge of Exponent



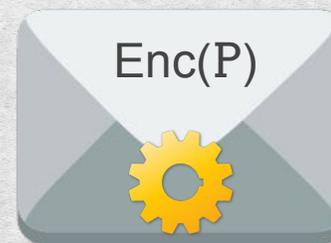
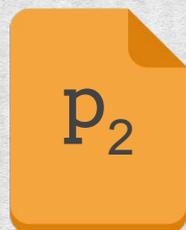
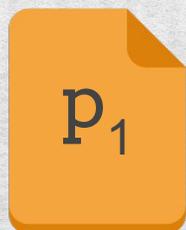
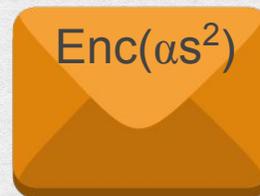
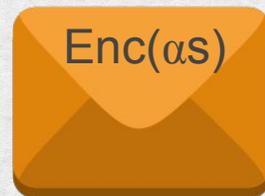
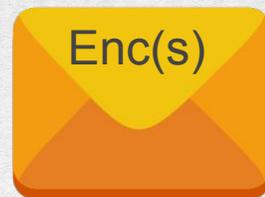
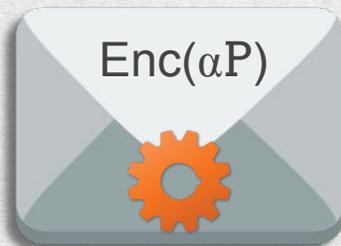
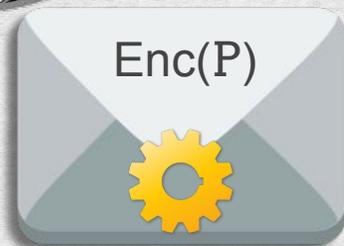
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Assumption PKE: Power Knowledge of Exponent



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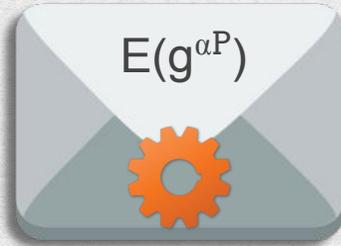
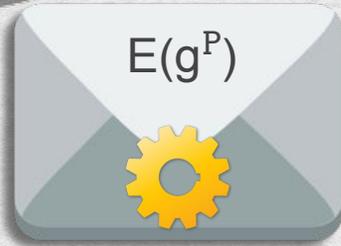


$$= \text{Enc}(\sum p_i s^i)$$

Assumption on Discrete Log Encoding



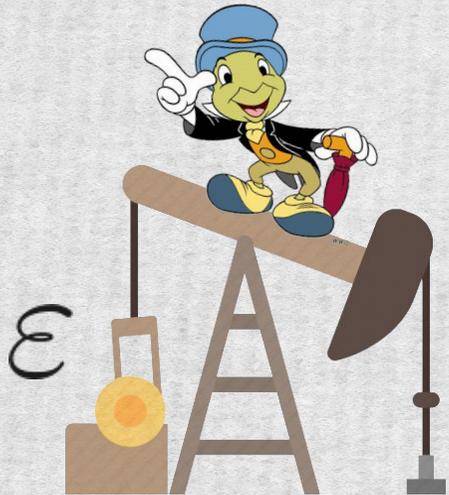
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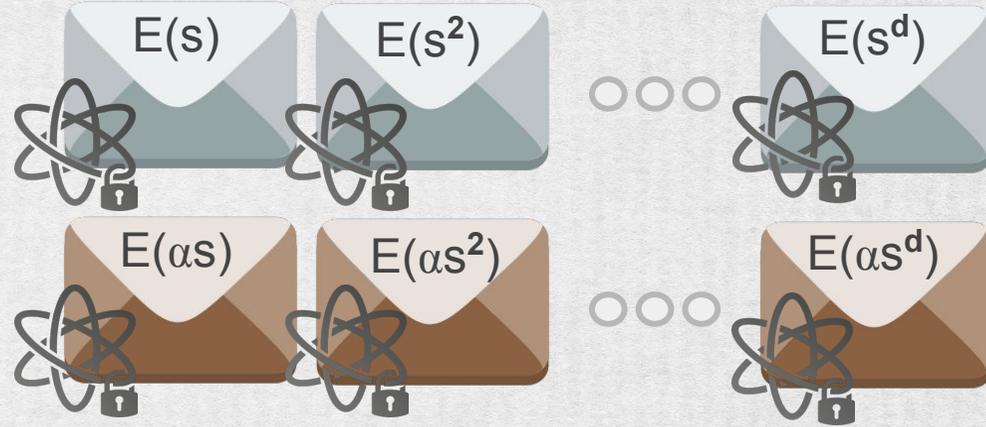
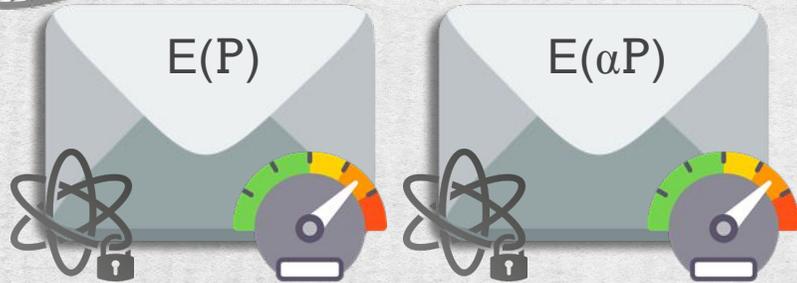


$$= g^{\sum p_i s^i}$$

Assumptions on Lattice Encodings

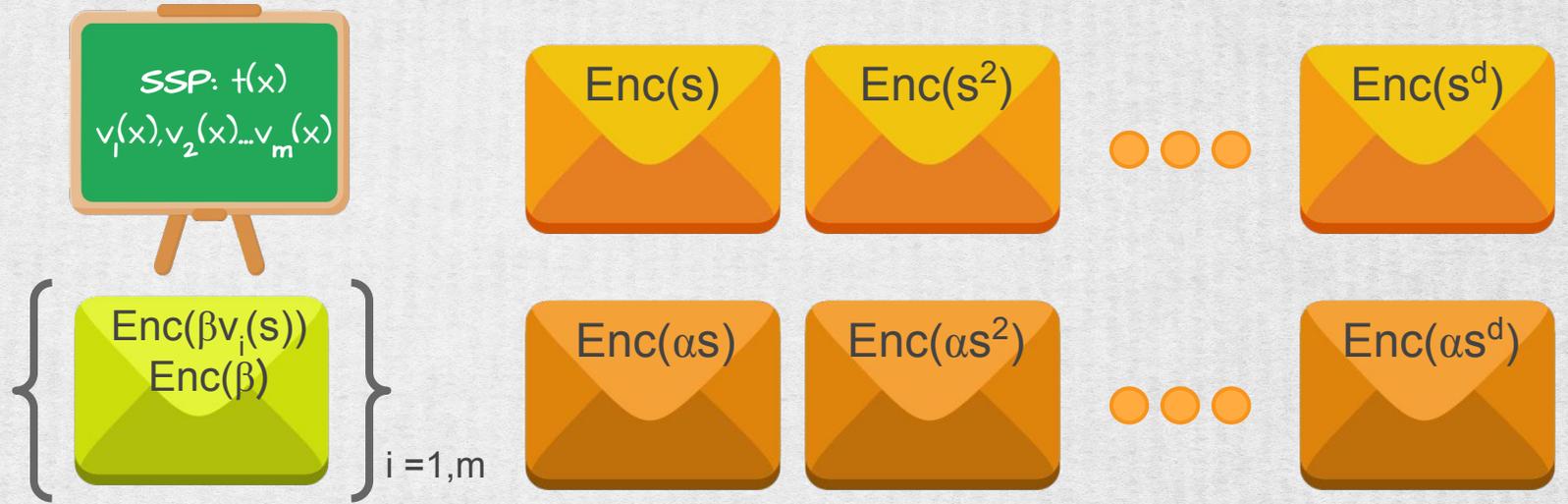
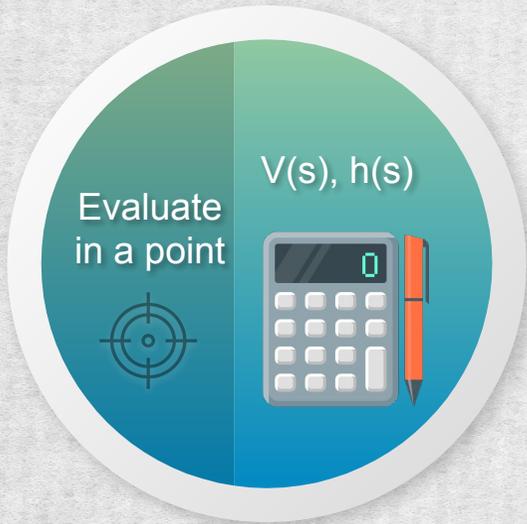


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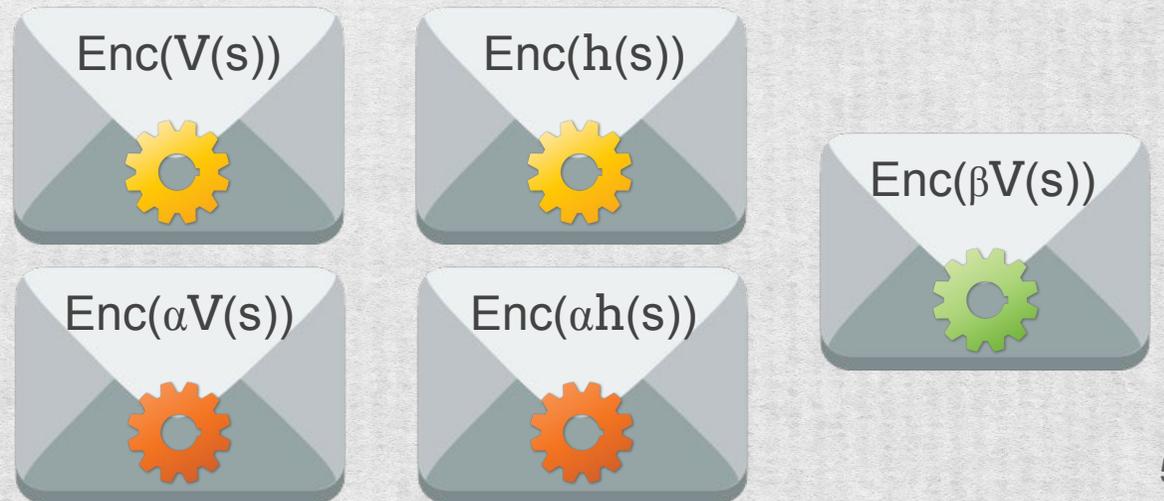


$$= E\left(\sum p_i s^i\right)$$

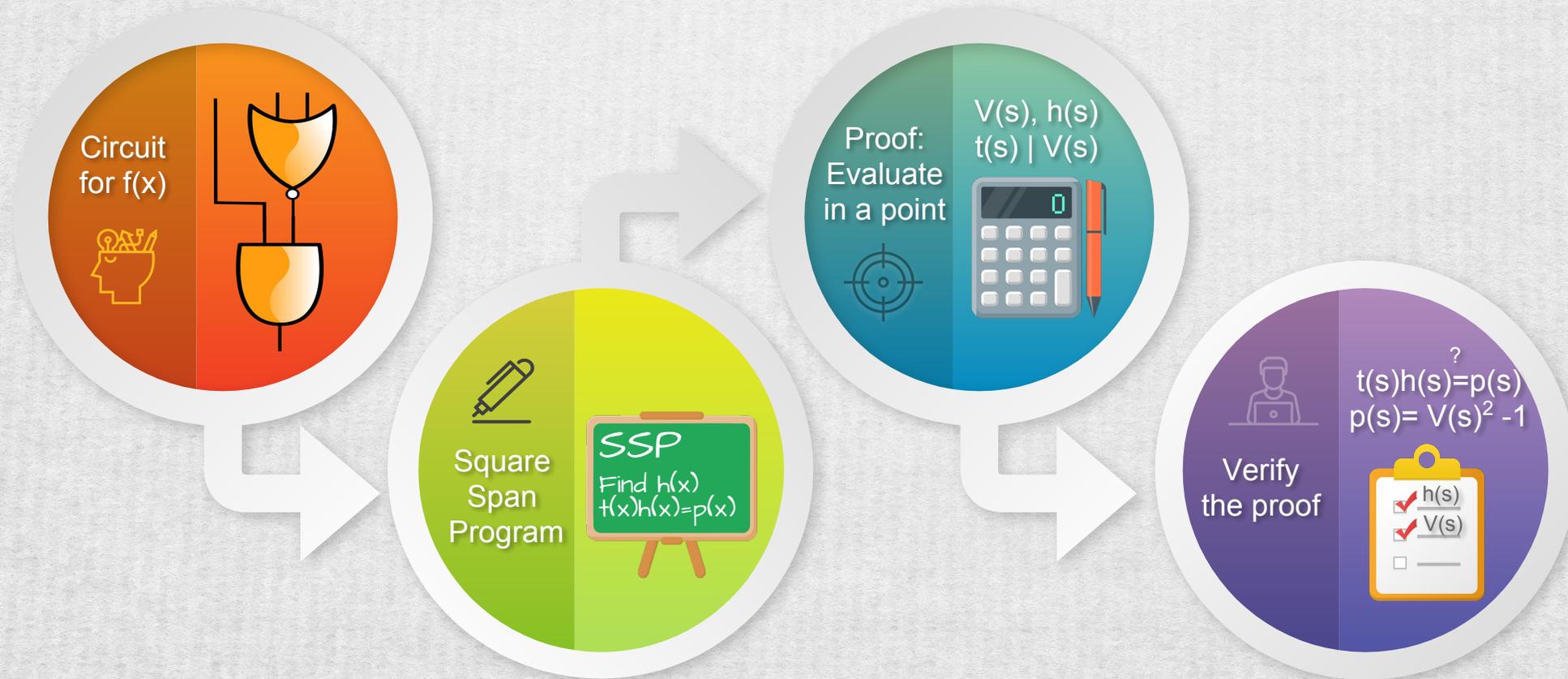
Setup and Proof



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SNARK: overview of Toolchain



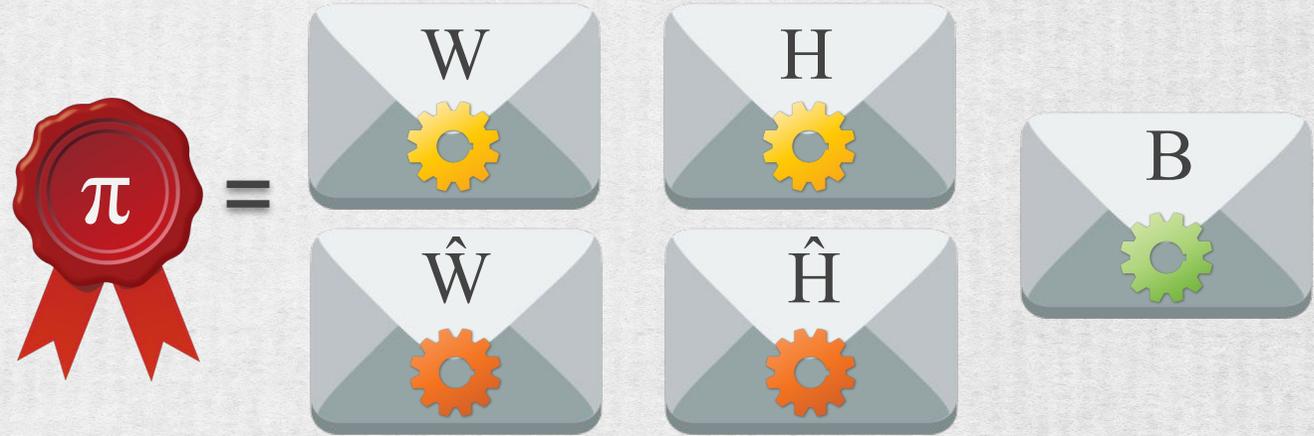
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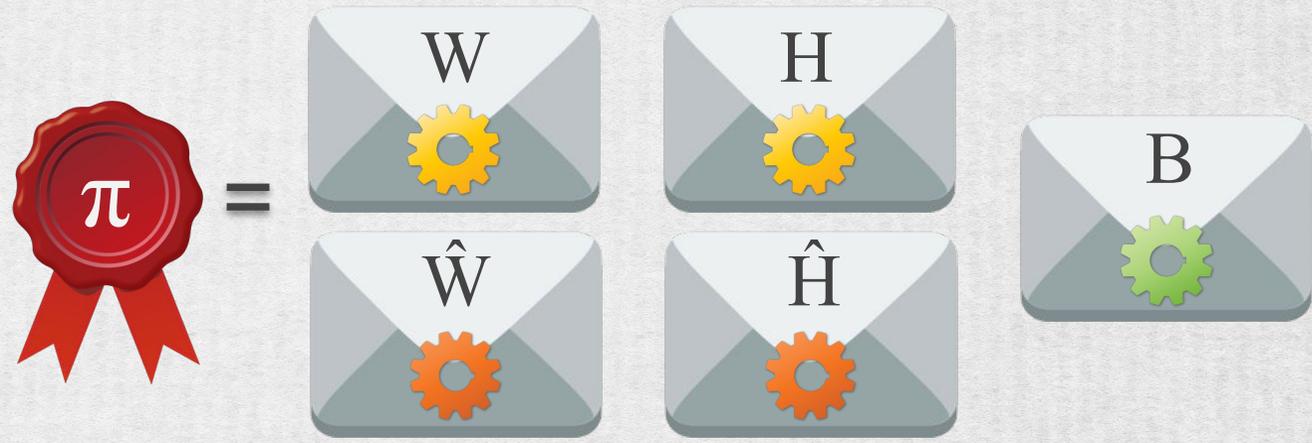
Proving on top of SSP: verifier



Verifier 



Proving on top of SSP: verifier



Verifier ?



Proving on top of SSP: verifier

Verifier 



Verify the proof

$t(s)h(s) \stackrel{?}{=} p(s)$

- $h(s)$
- $V(s)$
- _____

Encoding:

- *linearly* homomorphic
- quadratic root detection
- image verification



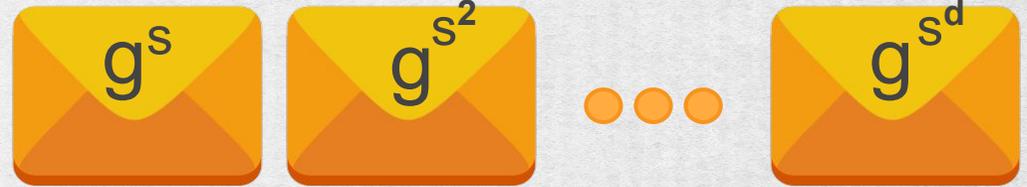
Discrete Logarithm Encoding

$$Enc(s) = g^s$$

$$\langle g \rangle = \mathbb{G}, \langle \tilde{g} \rangle = \tilde{\mathbb{G}}$$

$$e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{G}}$$

$$e(g^a, g^b) = \tilde{g}^{ab}$$



Quadratic root detection

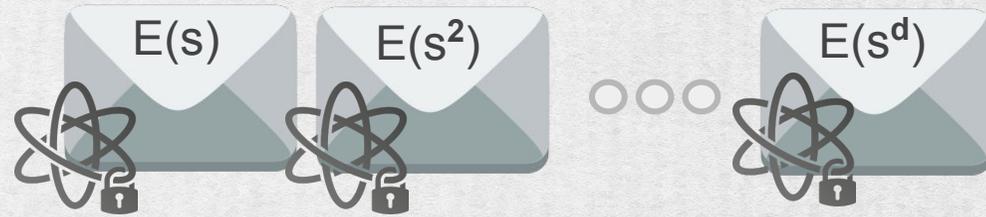
$$t(s)h(s) \stackrel{?}{=} p(s)$$

$$e(g^{t(s)}, g^{h(s)}) \stackrel{?}{=} e(g^{p(s)}, g)$$

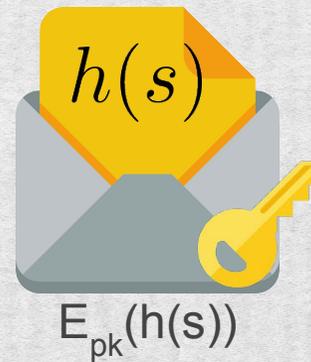
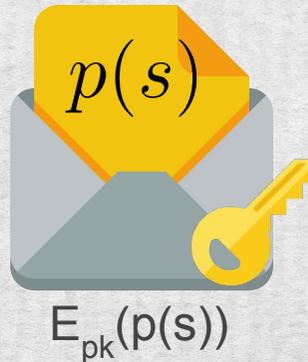
Encryption Encoding

Encryption: $E(m) = c$

Decryption: $D(c) = m$



Quadratic root detection



$$t(s)h(s) \stackrel{?}{=} p(s)$$

Motivation



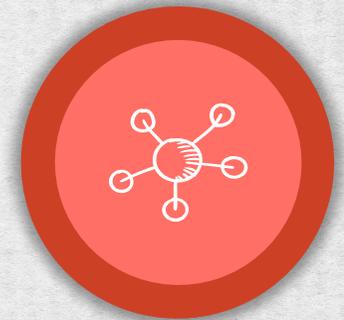
**Proof
Systems**



SNARKs



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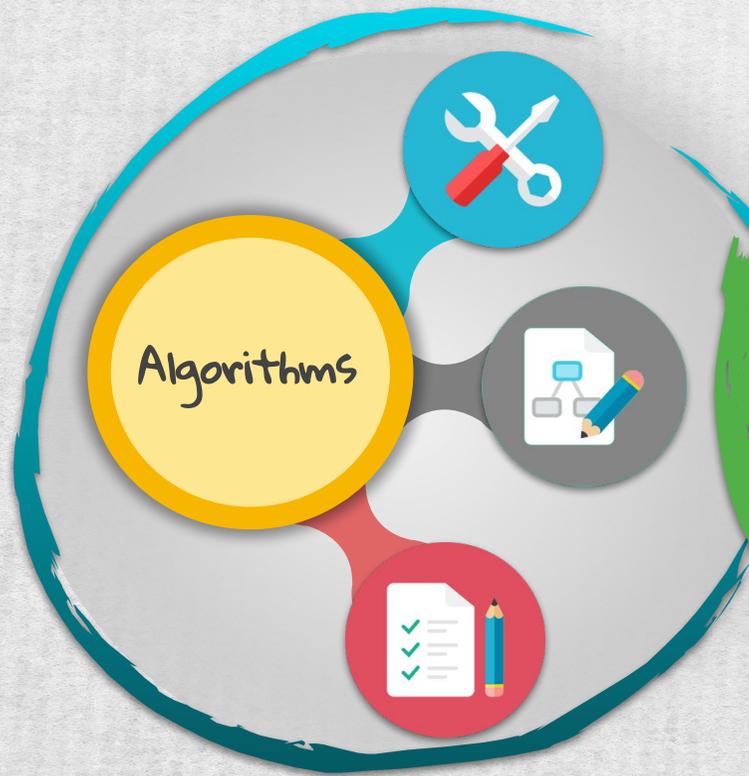


Security

Security Model
Cheating Prover
Assumptions
Security
Reduction

Formal Construction and Security

Protocol



Assumptions

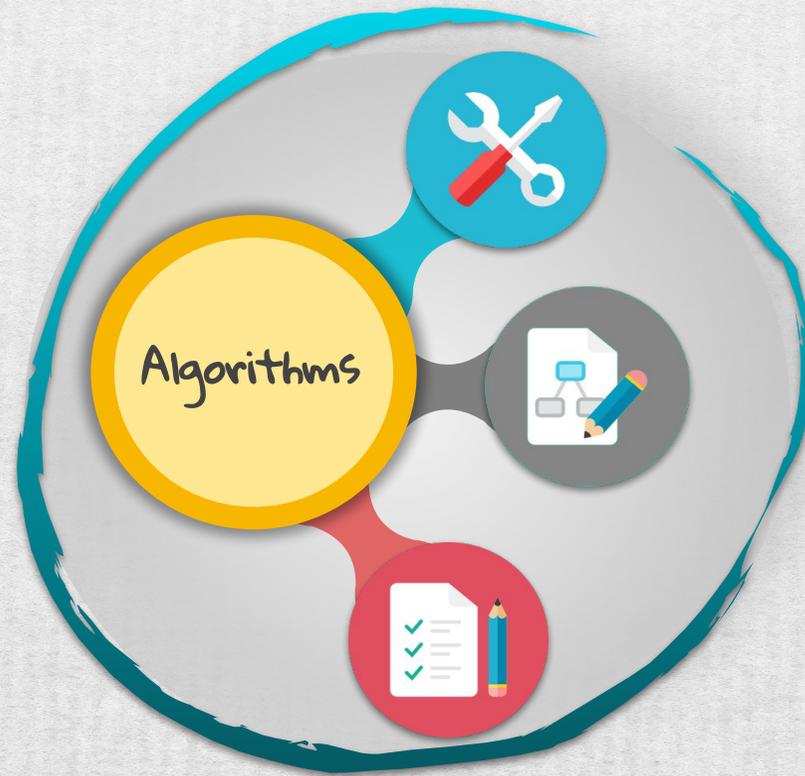


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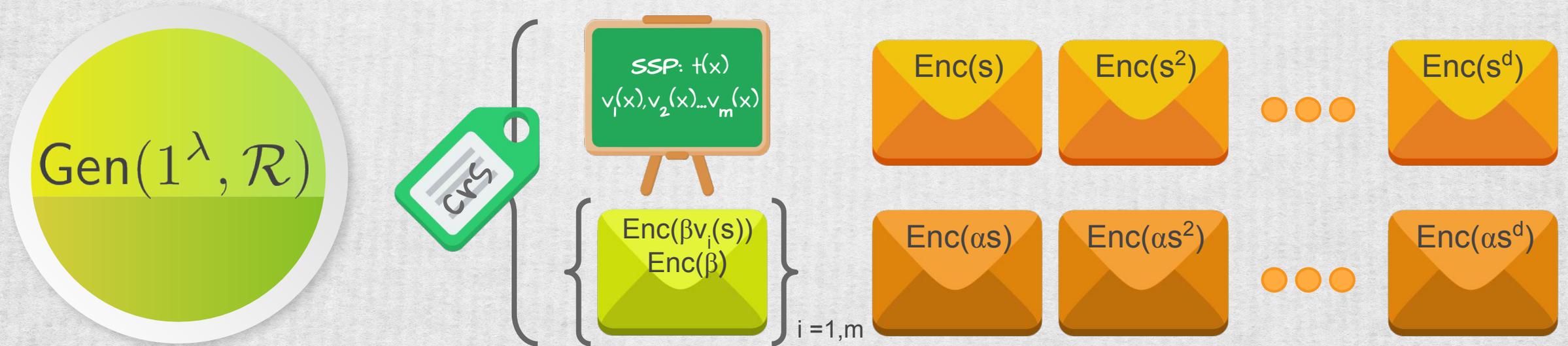


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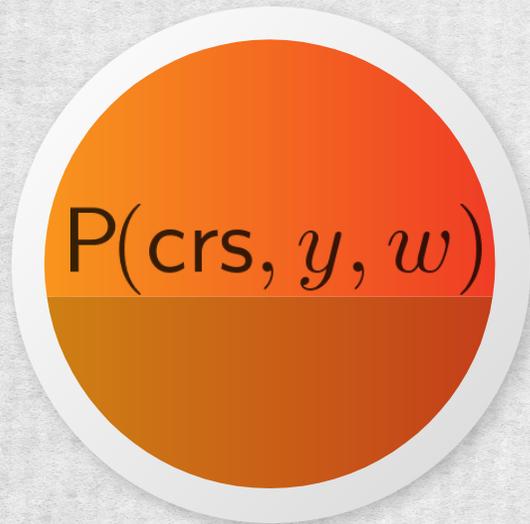
Protocol



Setup Algorithm



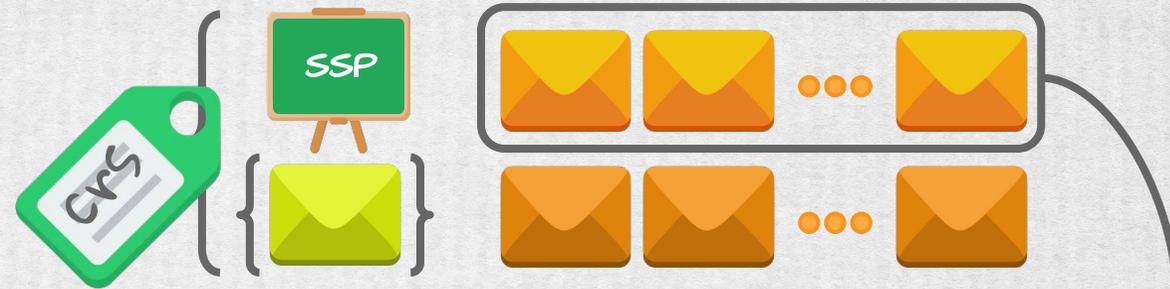
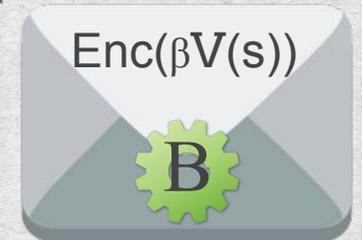
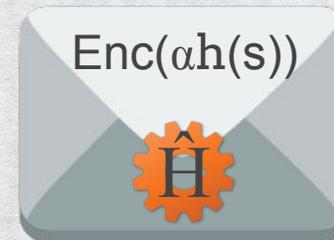
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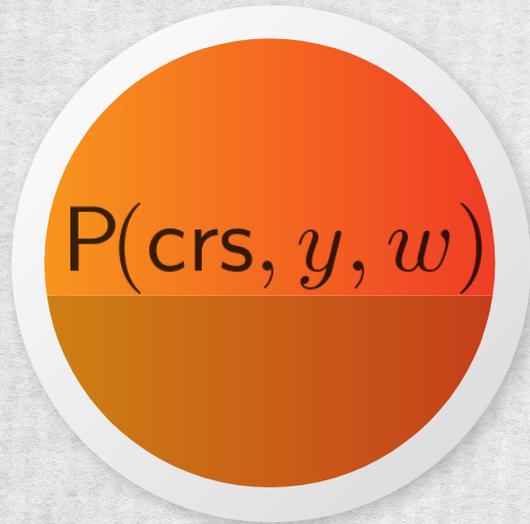
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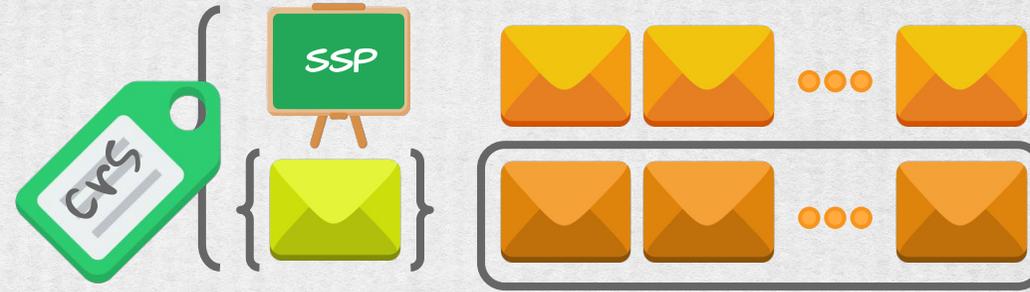
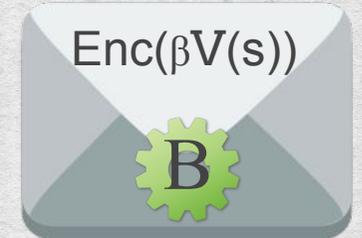
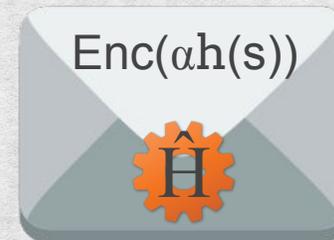
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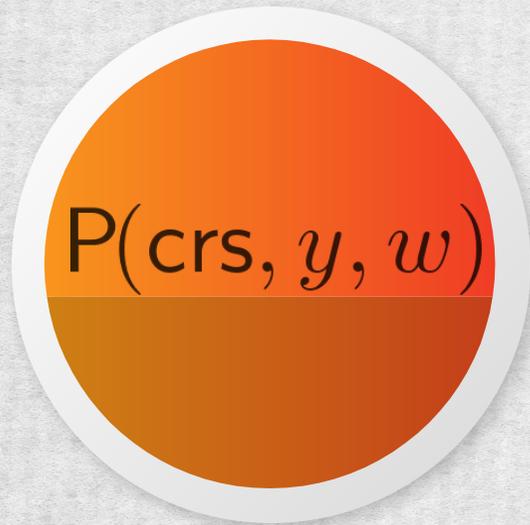
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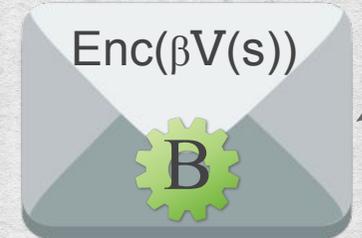
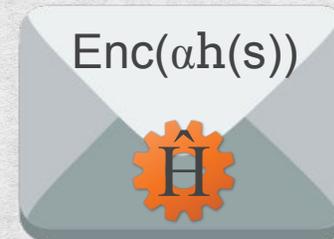
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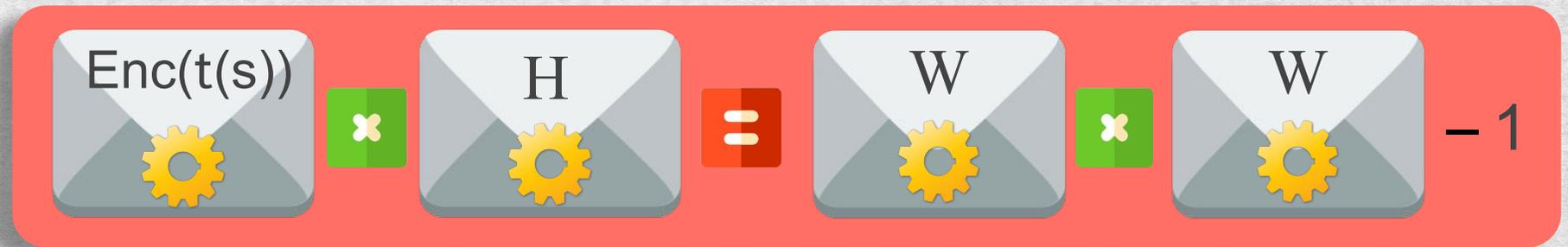
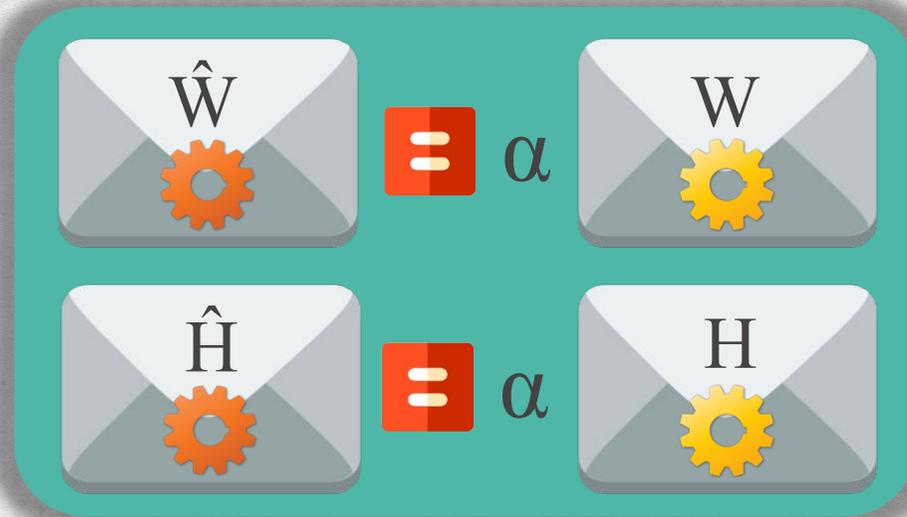
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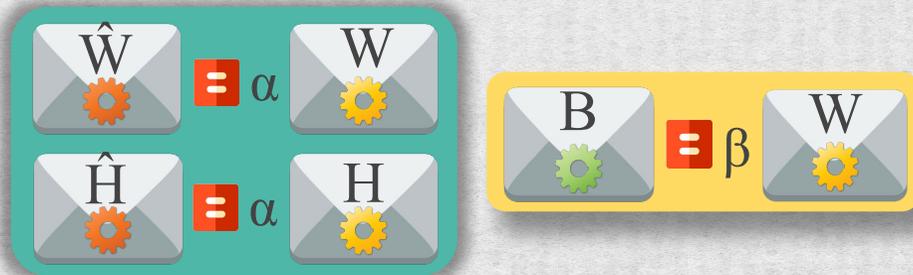
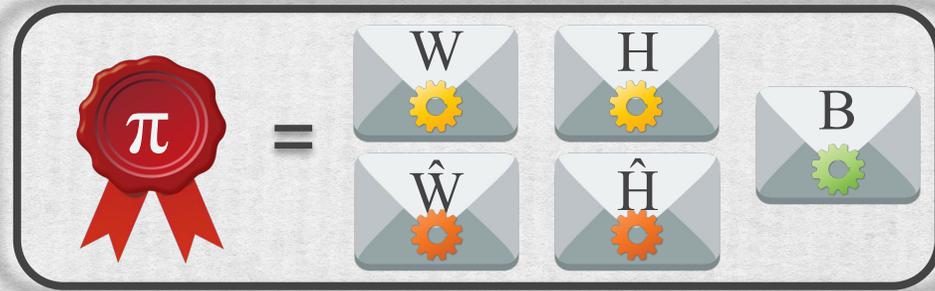
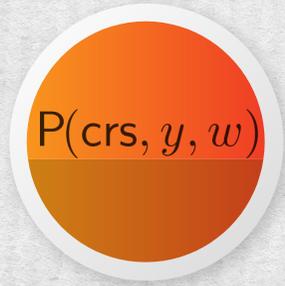
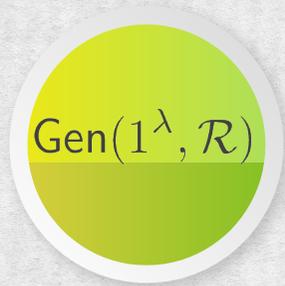
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Verifier Algorithm



Review of the Protocol (Algorithms)



Cheating Strategy

Security



Security Reduction in Cryptography

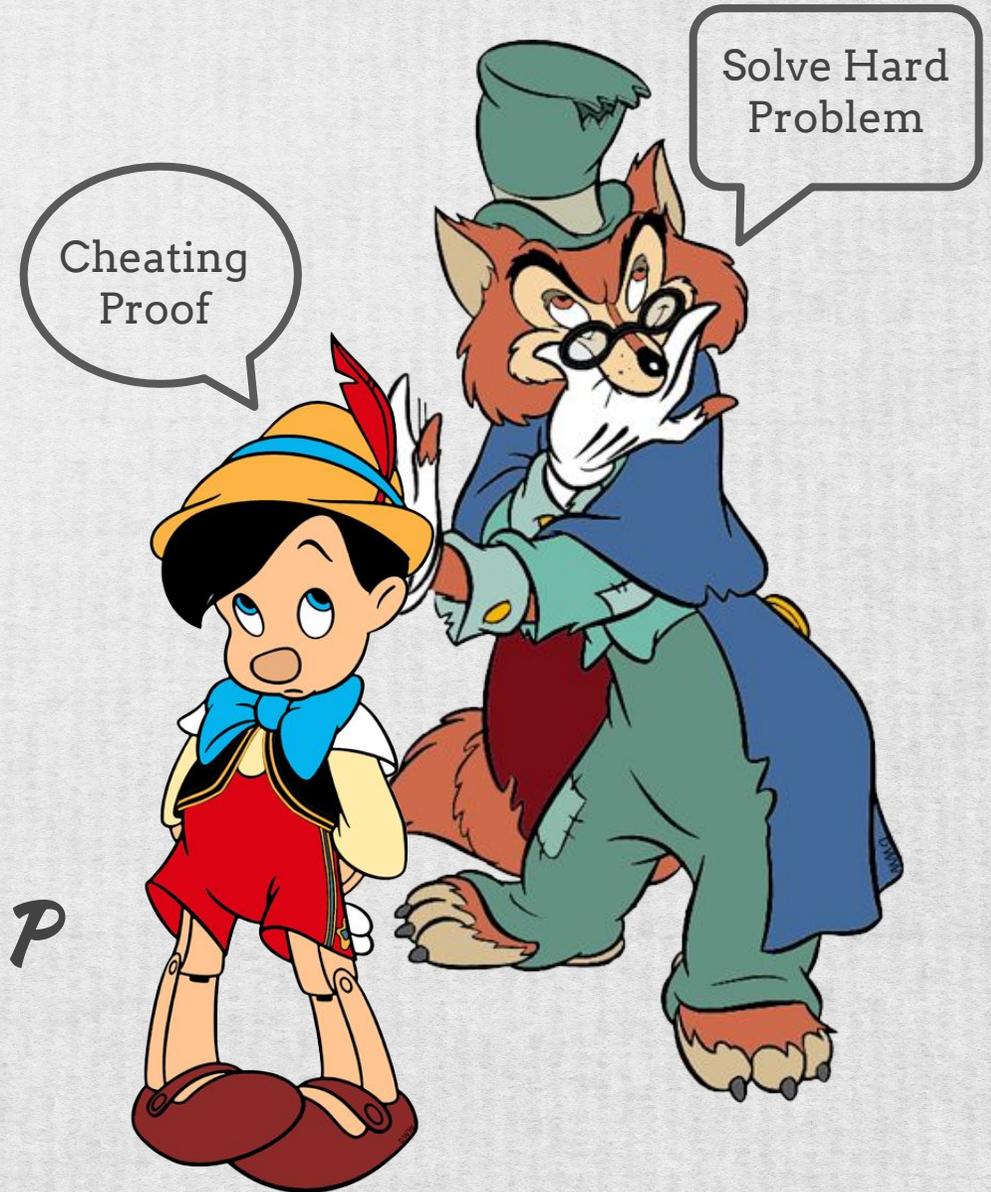
- **Reduction:**

Assuming \mathcal{P} is hard \rightarrow Protocol security

- **Contraposition:**

Breaking the protocol \rightarrow Solution for \mathcal{P}

Successful Adversary \rightarrow Solution for \mathcal{P}



Security Reduction



**Assumption
(Hard Problem)**

input



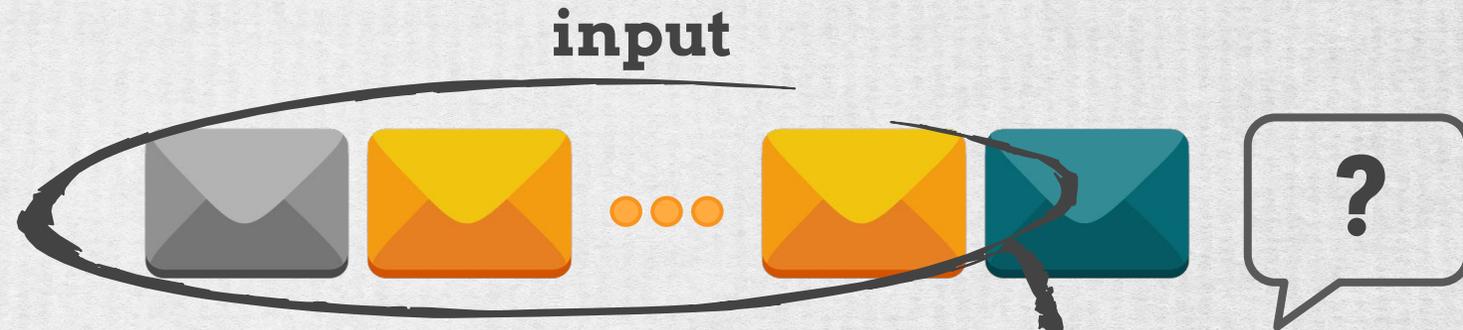
**Cheating
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Security Reduction



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Security Reduction

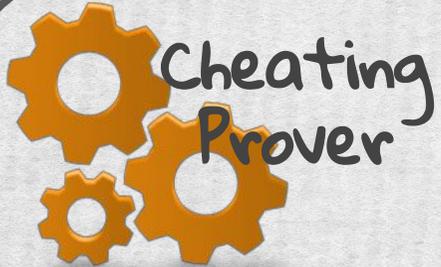


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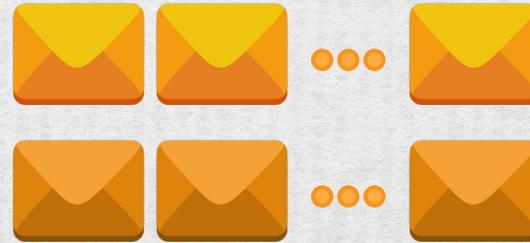
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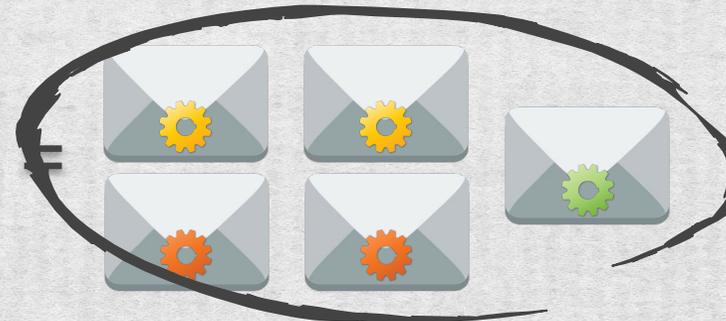
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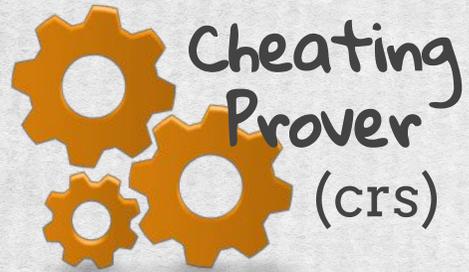
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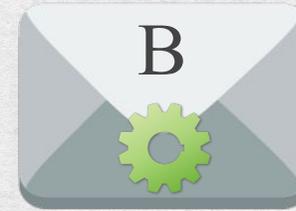
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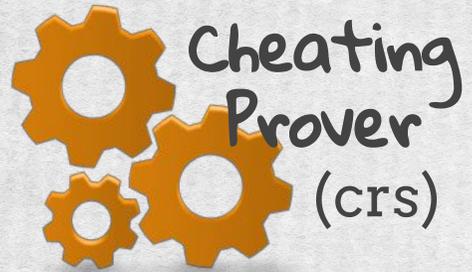
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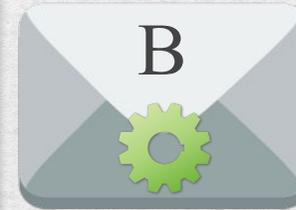
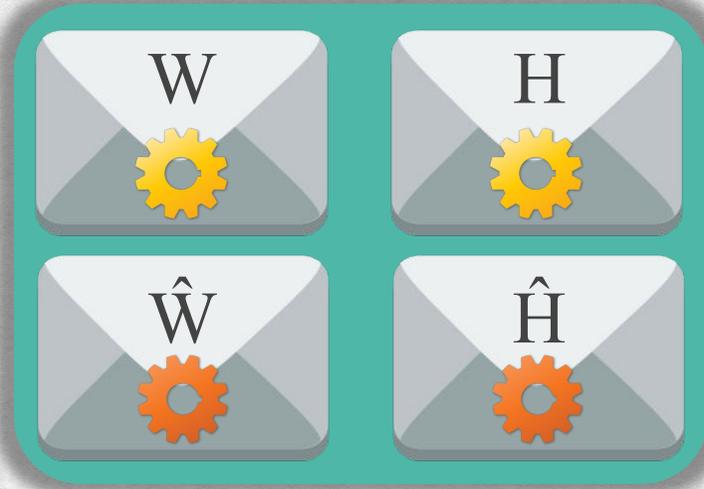
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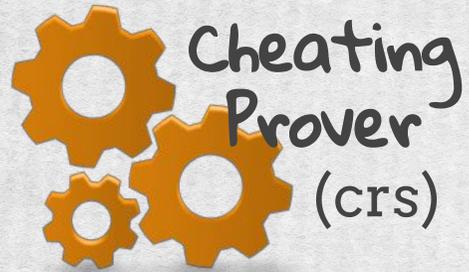
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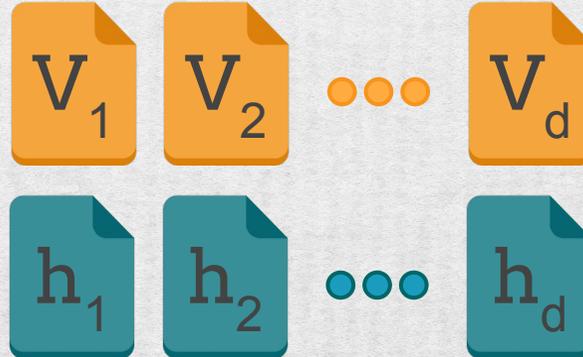
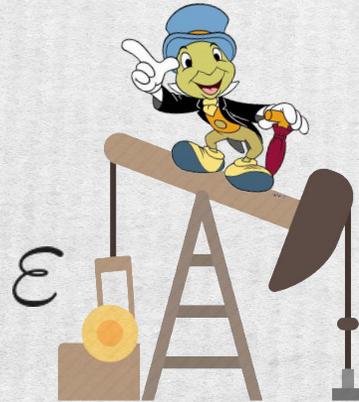
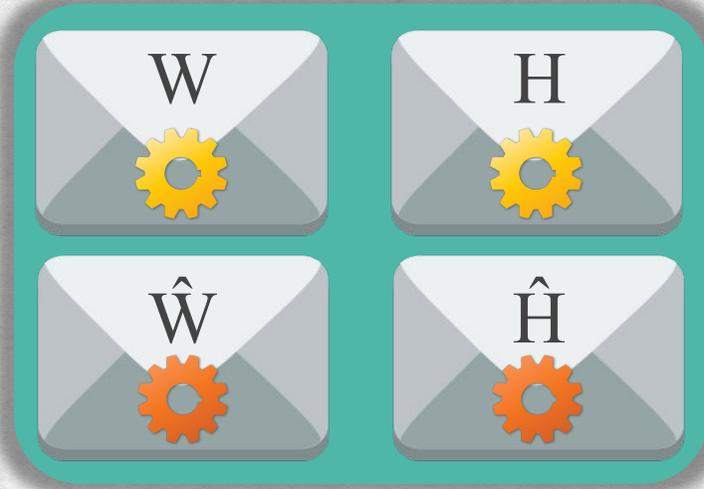
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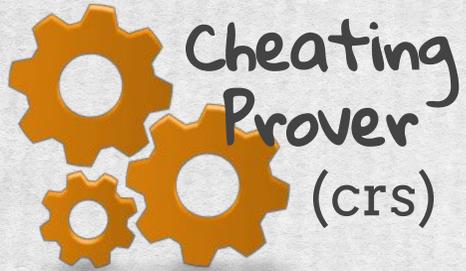
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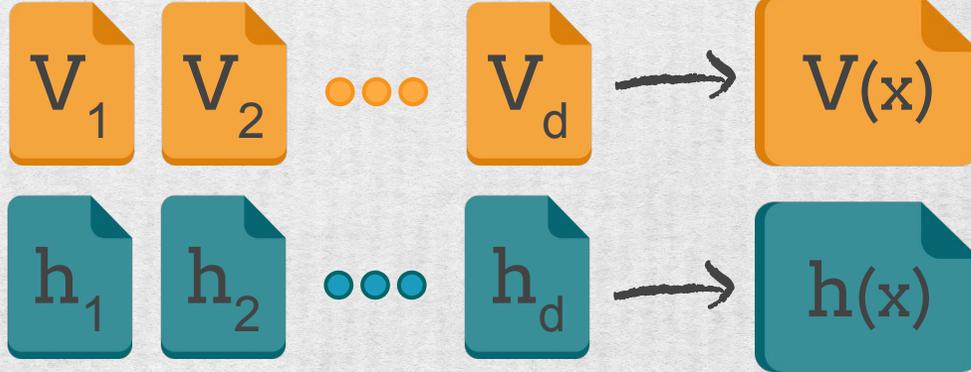
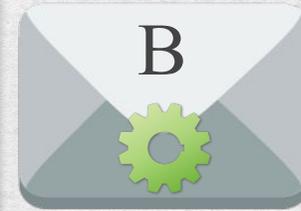
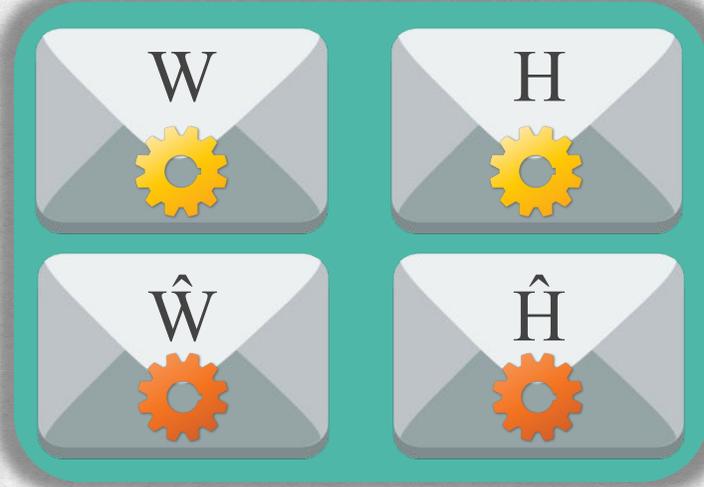
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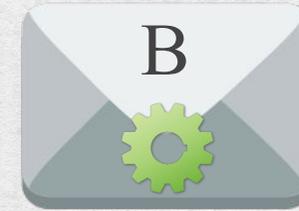
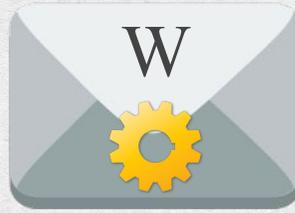
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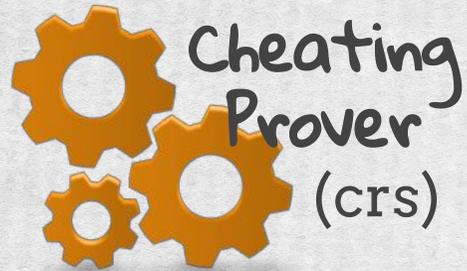
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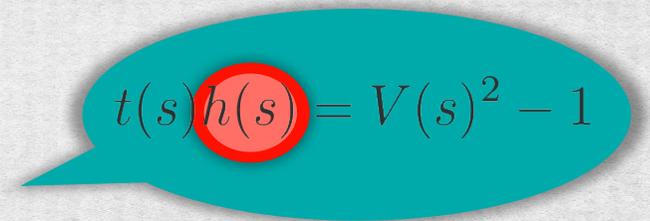
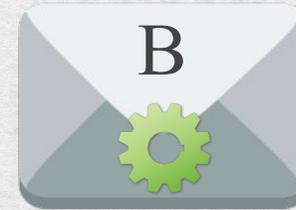
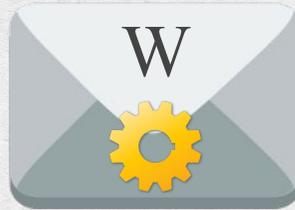
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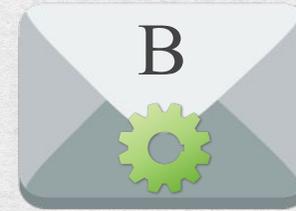
- $t(x)h(x) \neq V^2(x) - 1$, but



Invalid linear combination



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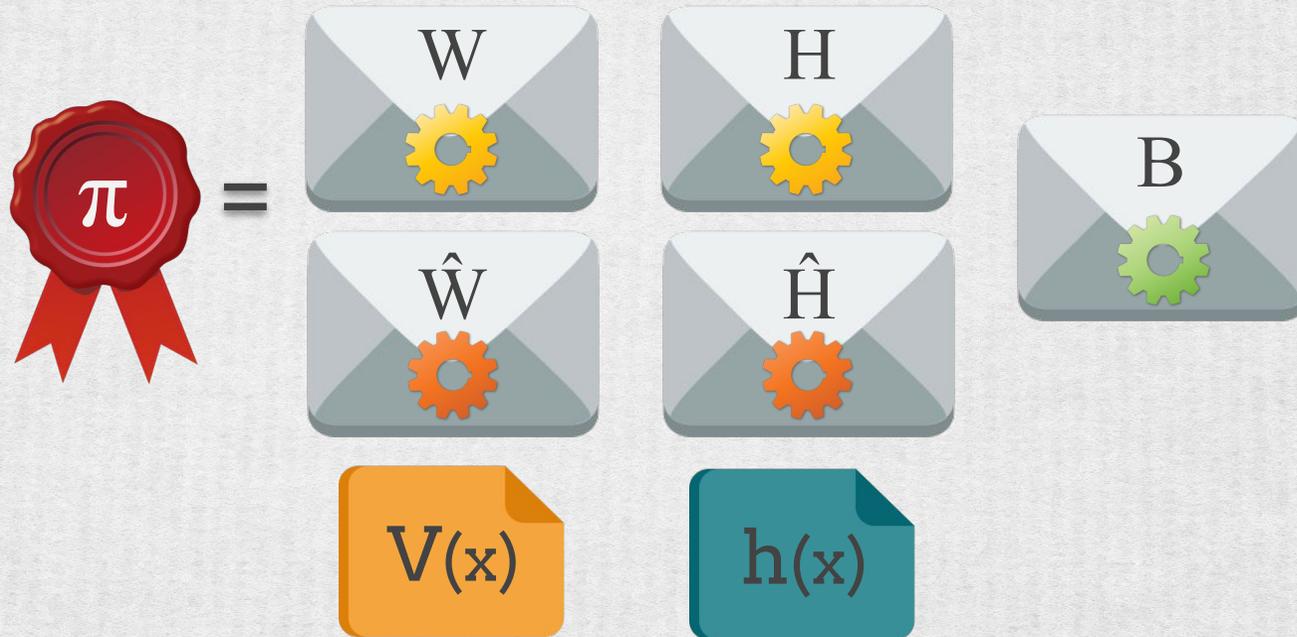
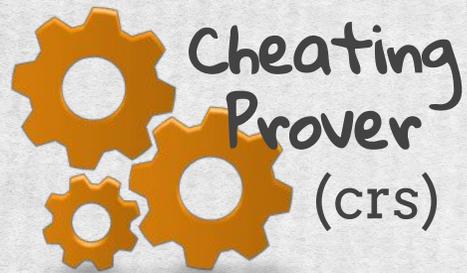
$$V(s) = v_0(s) + \sum_{i=1}^m a_i v_i(s)$$

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Prover unable to compute higher degree polynomials



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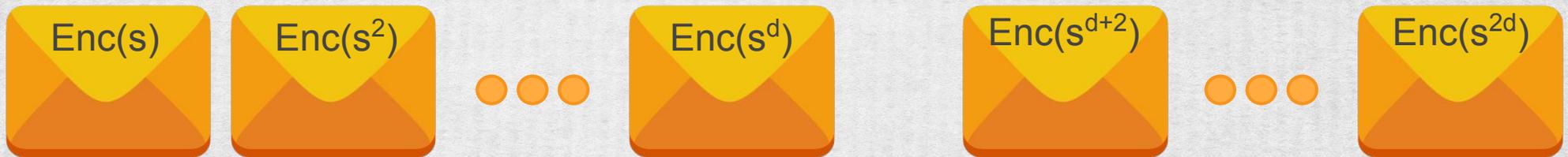
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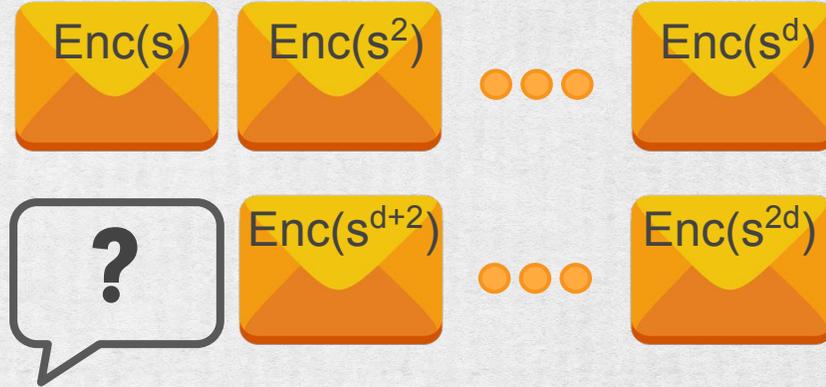
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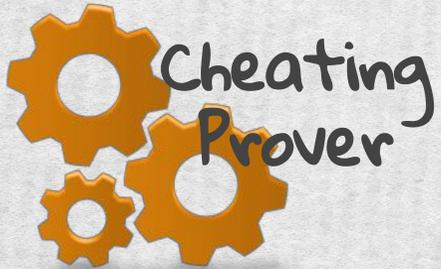
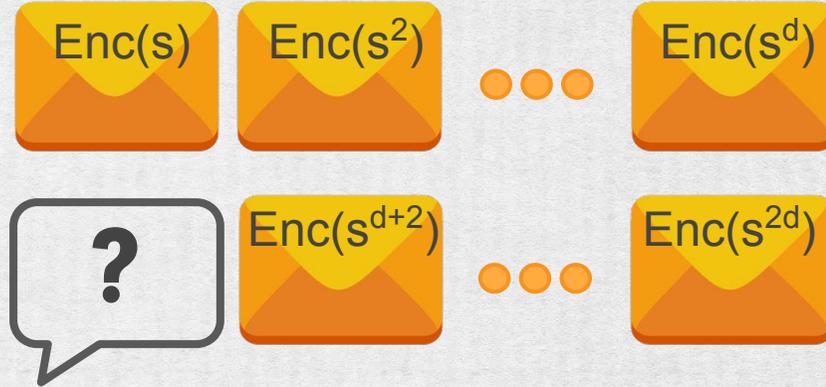
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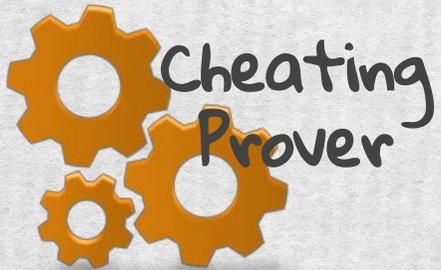
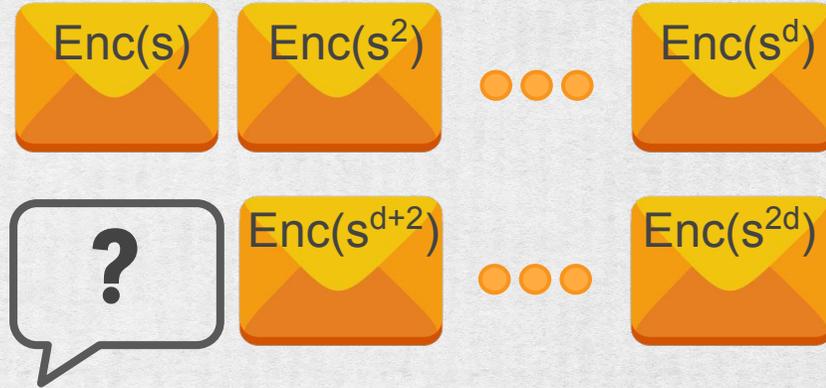
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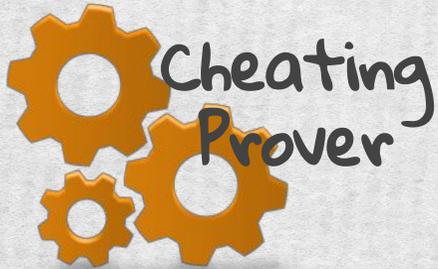
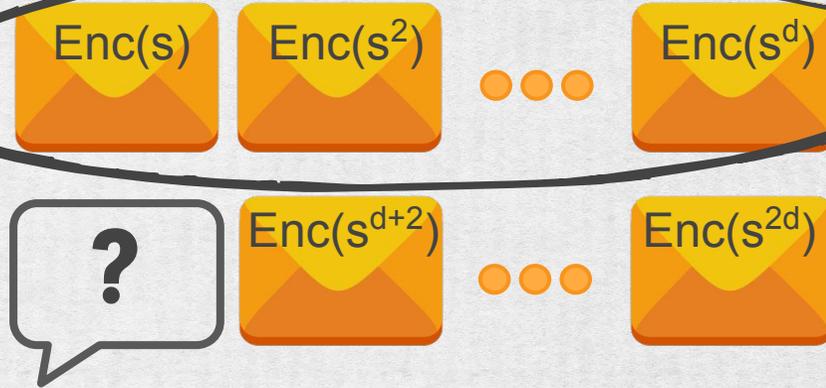
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...

Enc(s^d)

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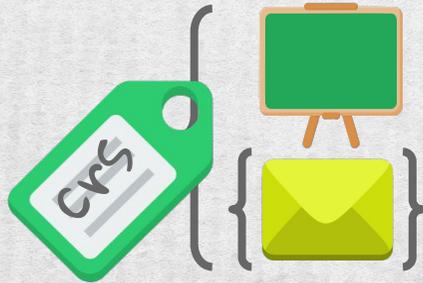
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× α

Cheating Prover



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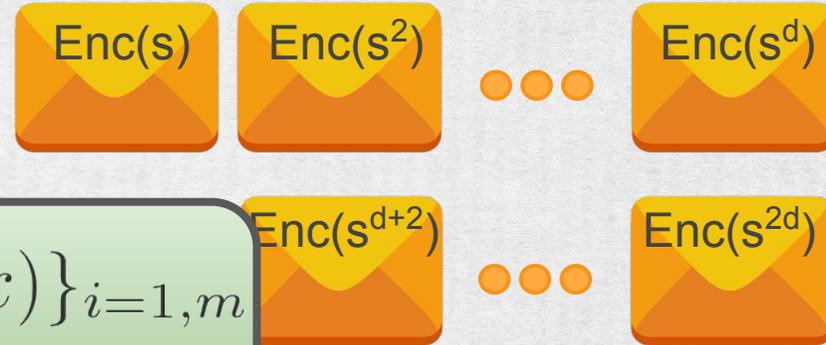
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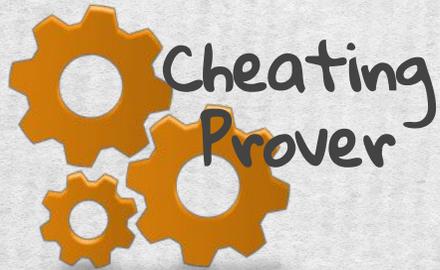
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$\{v_i(x)\}_{i=1,m}$
 $t(x)$



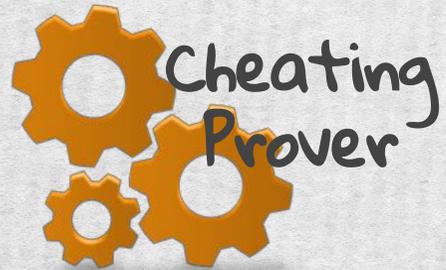
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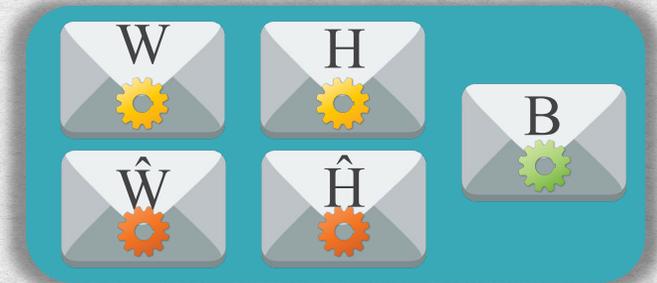
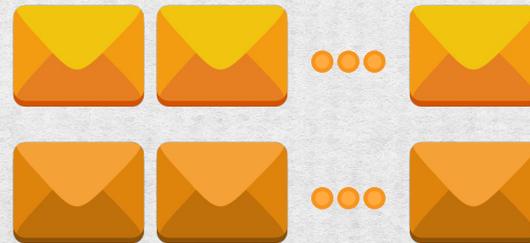
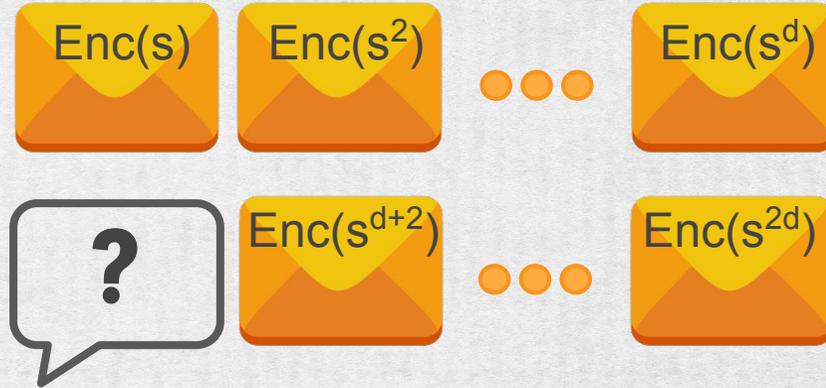
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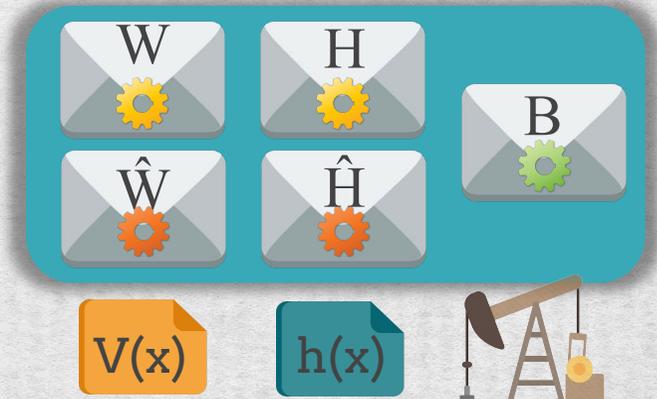
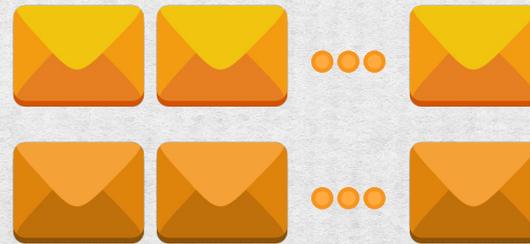
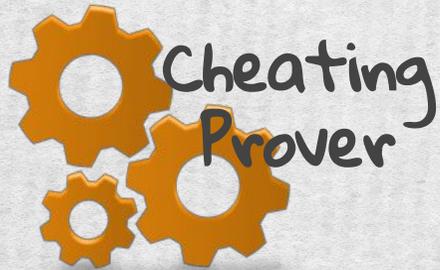
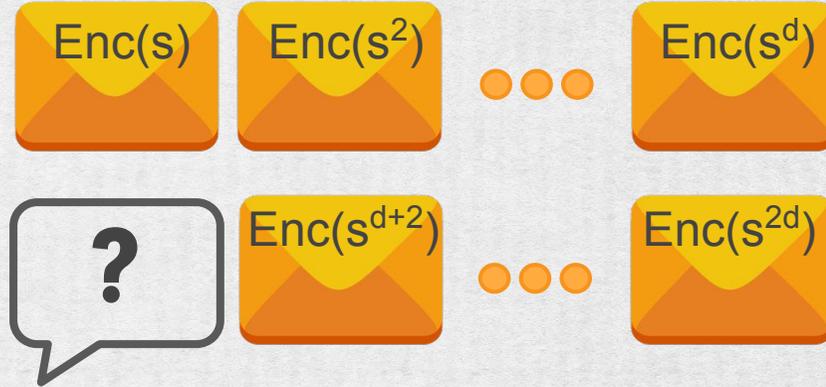
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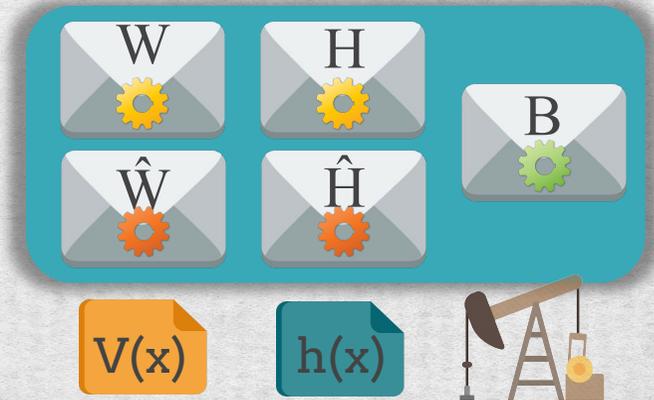
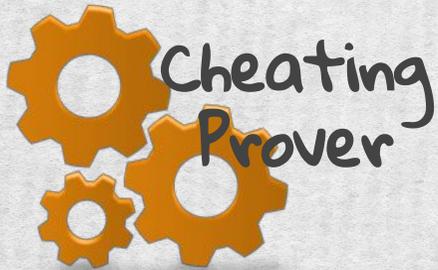
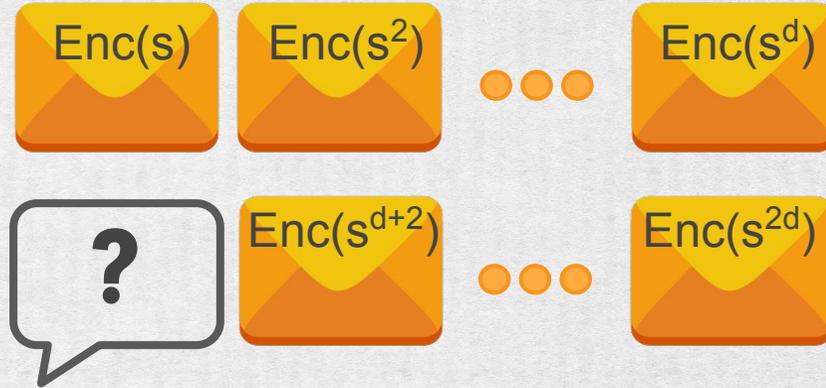
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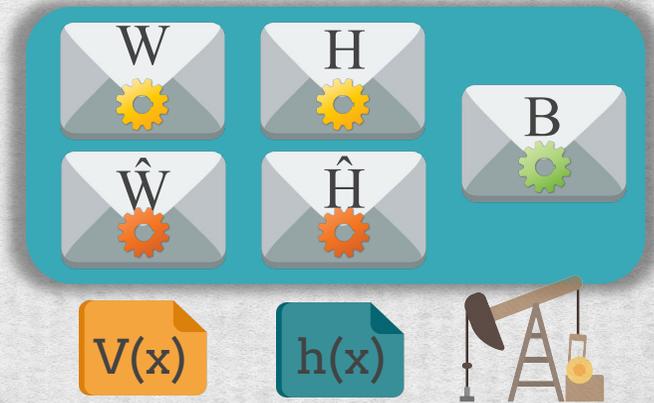
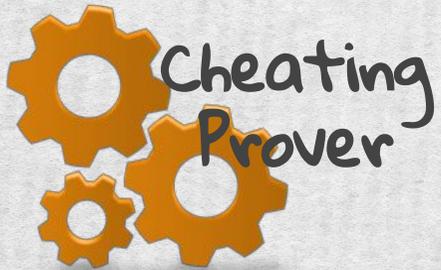
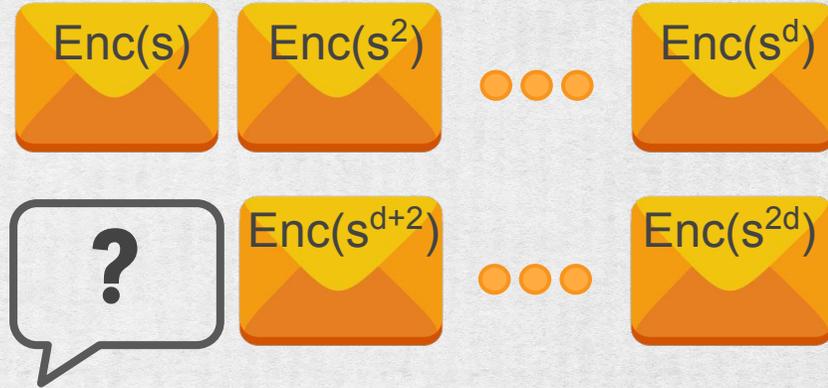


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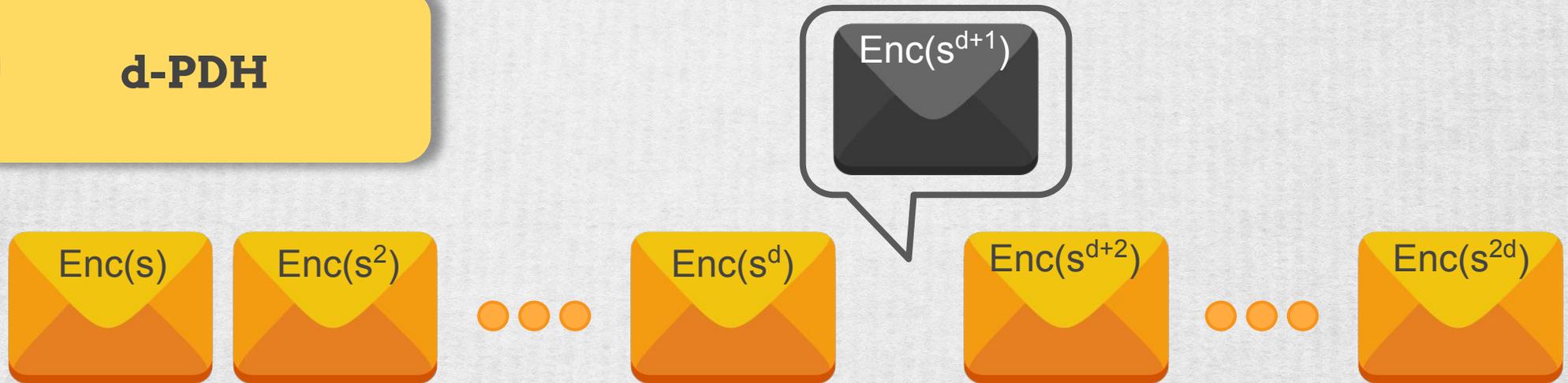


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Implementation: Mangiafuoco

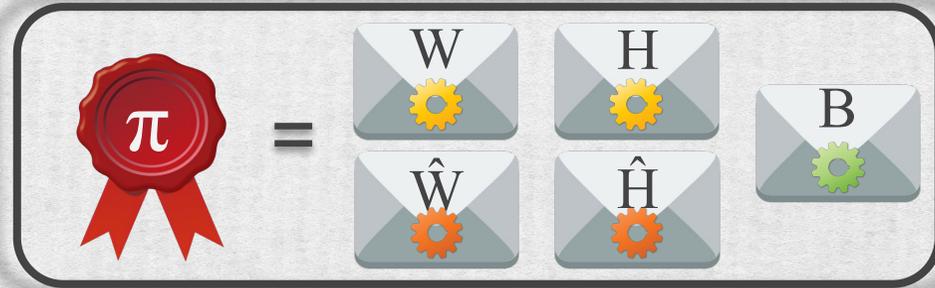


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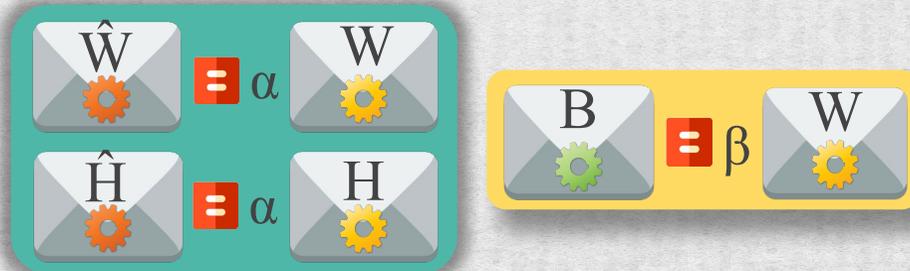
$$\text{Gen}(1^\lambda, \mathcal{R})$$



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$$V(\text{vk}, y, \pi)$$

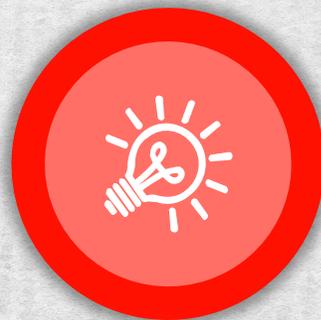


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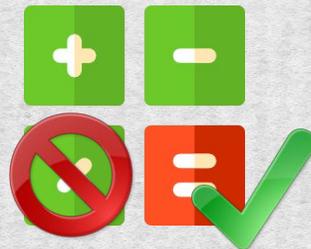
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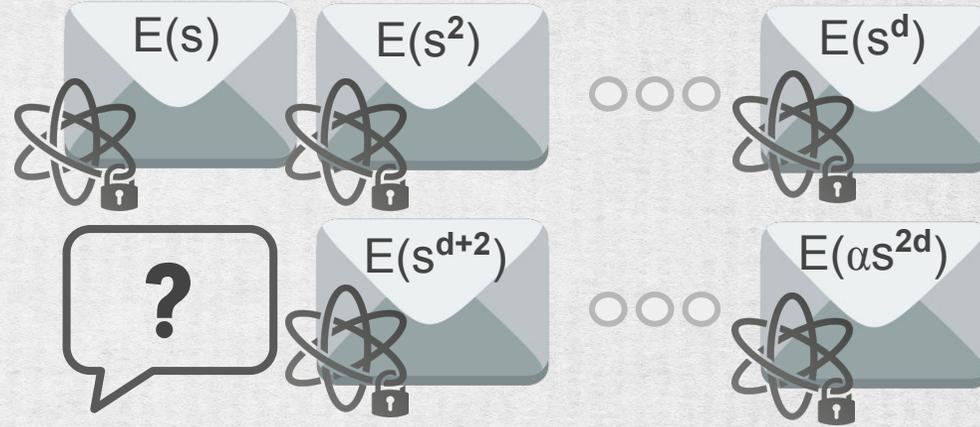
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Technical Aspects

