



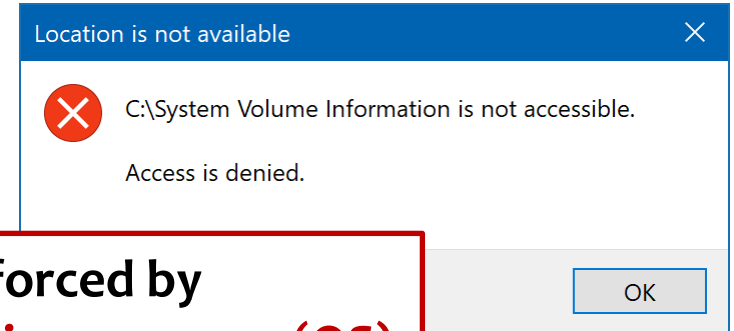
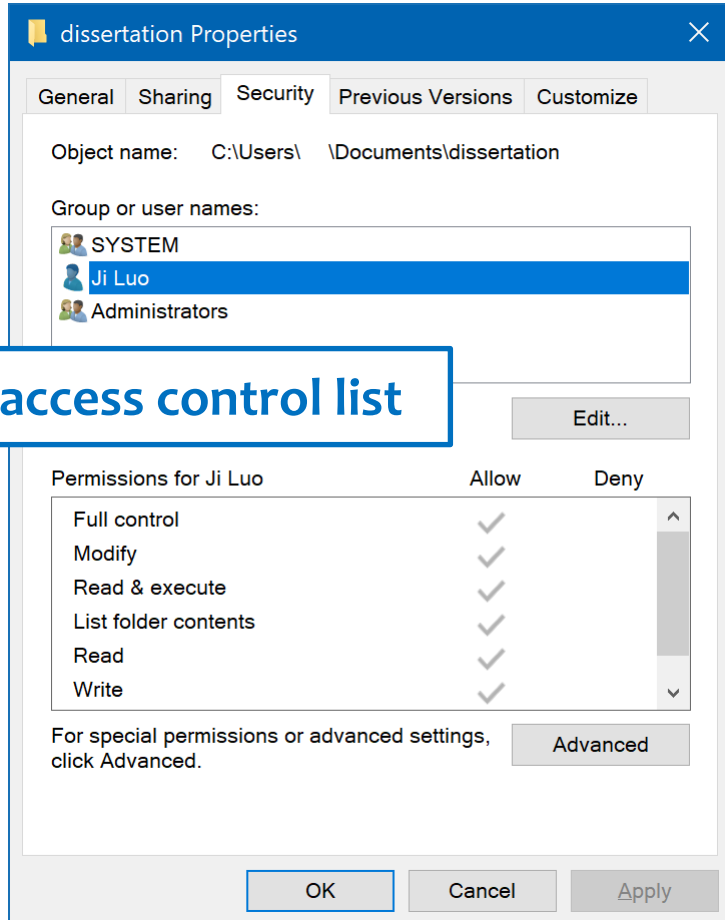
New Frontiers of Attribute-Based Encryption via a General Paradigm and More

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Attribute-Based Encryption [SW05,GPSW06]

= access control, enforced by cryptography



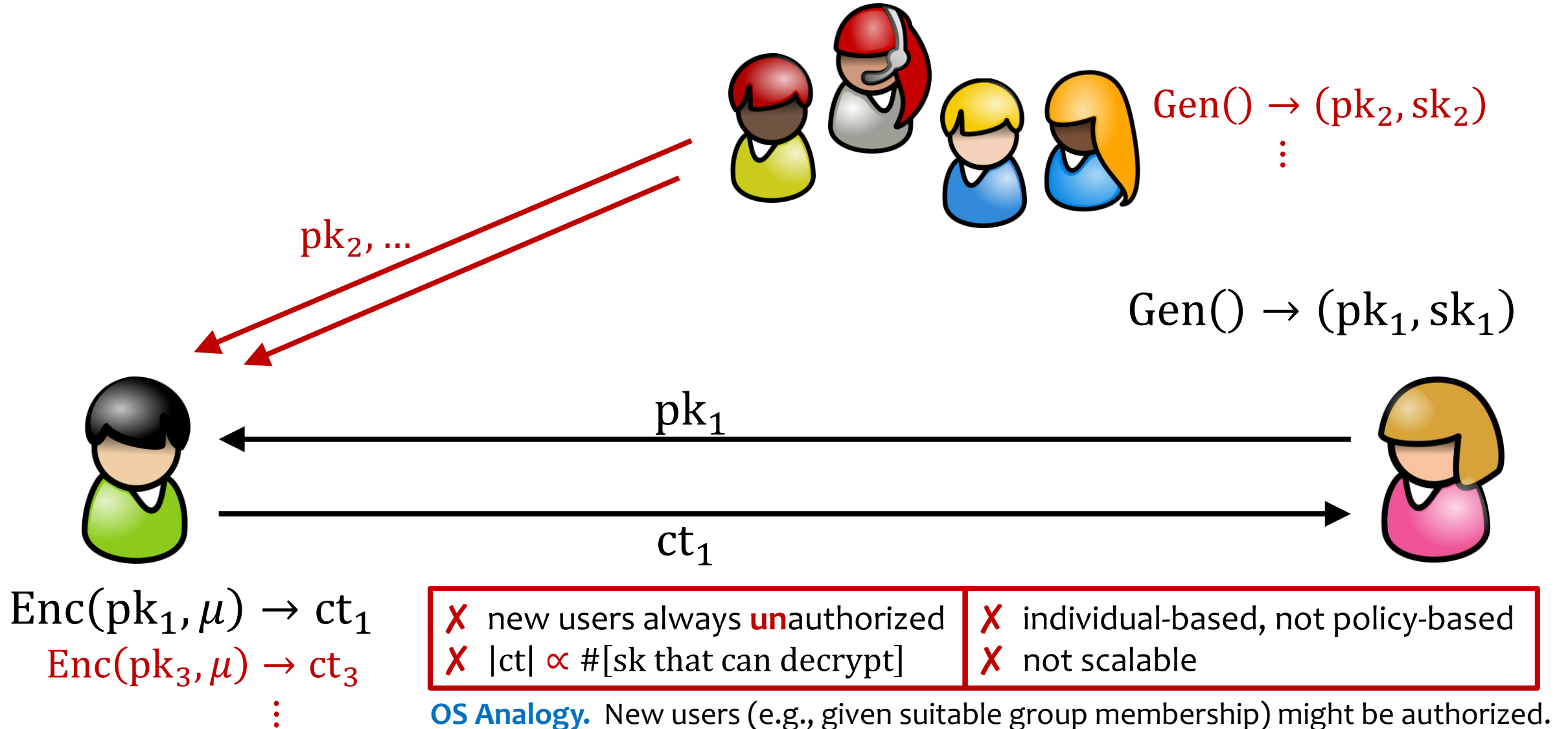
only enforced by
checks in programs (OS)

rwX rwX rwX
= permission bits

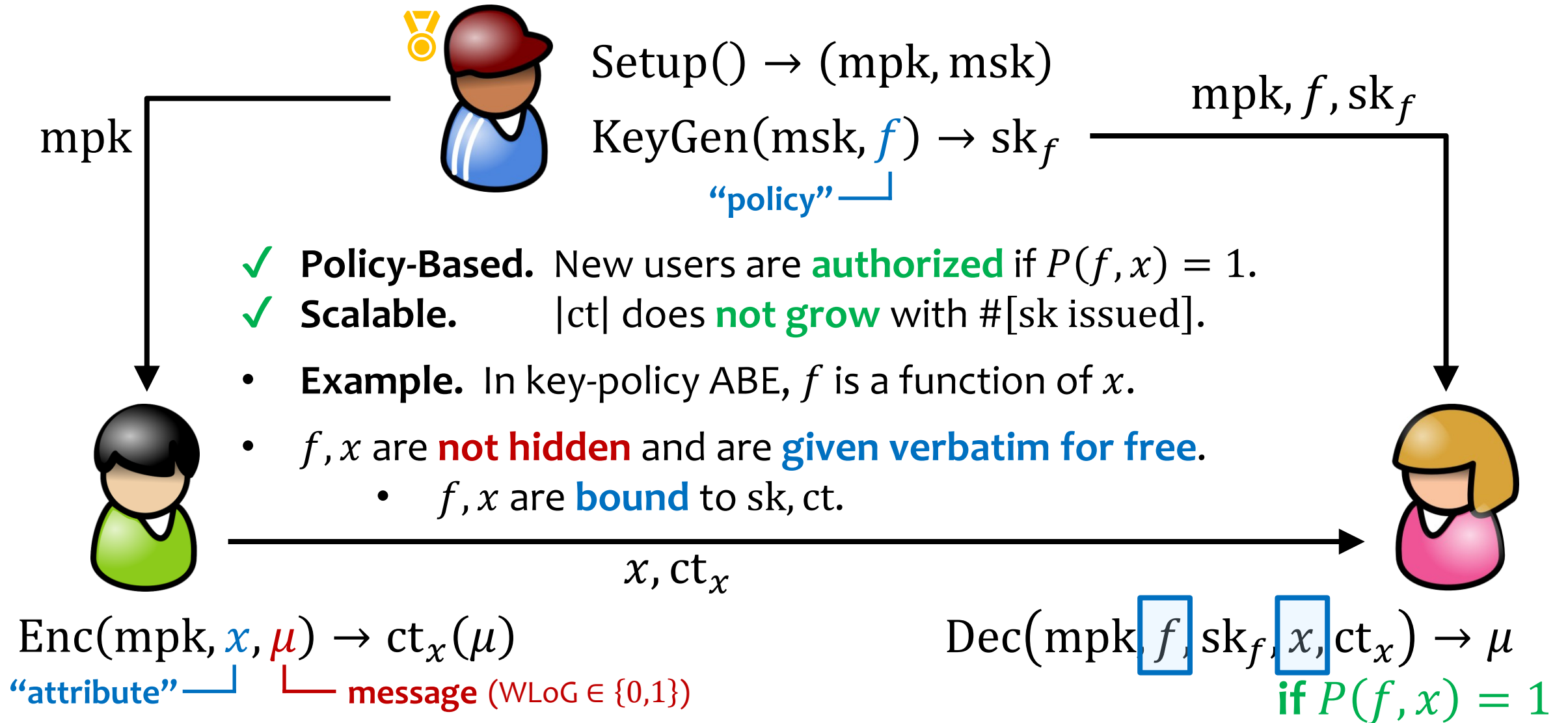
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drwxr-xr-x BMaps-MMaps/
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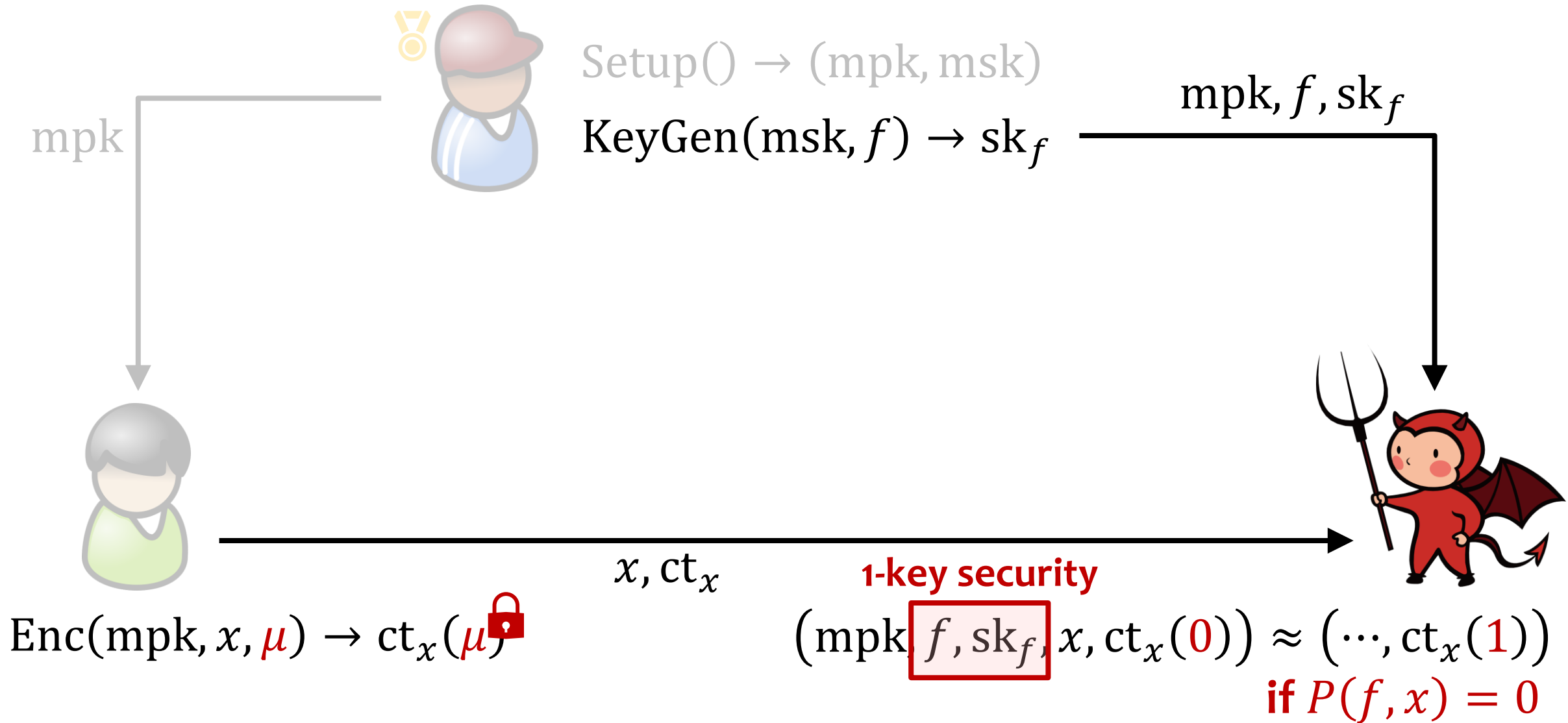
What about PKE for Access Control?



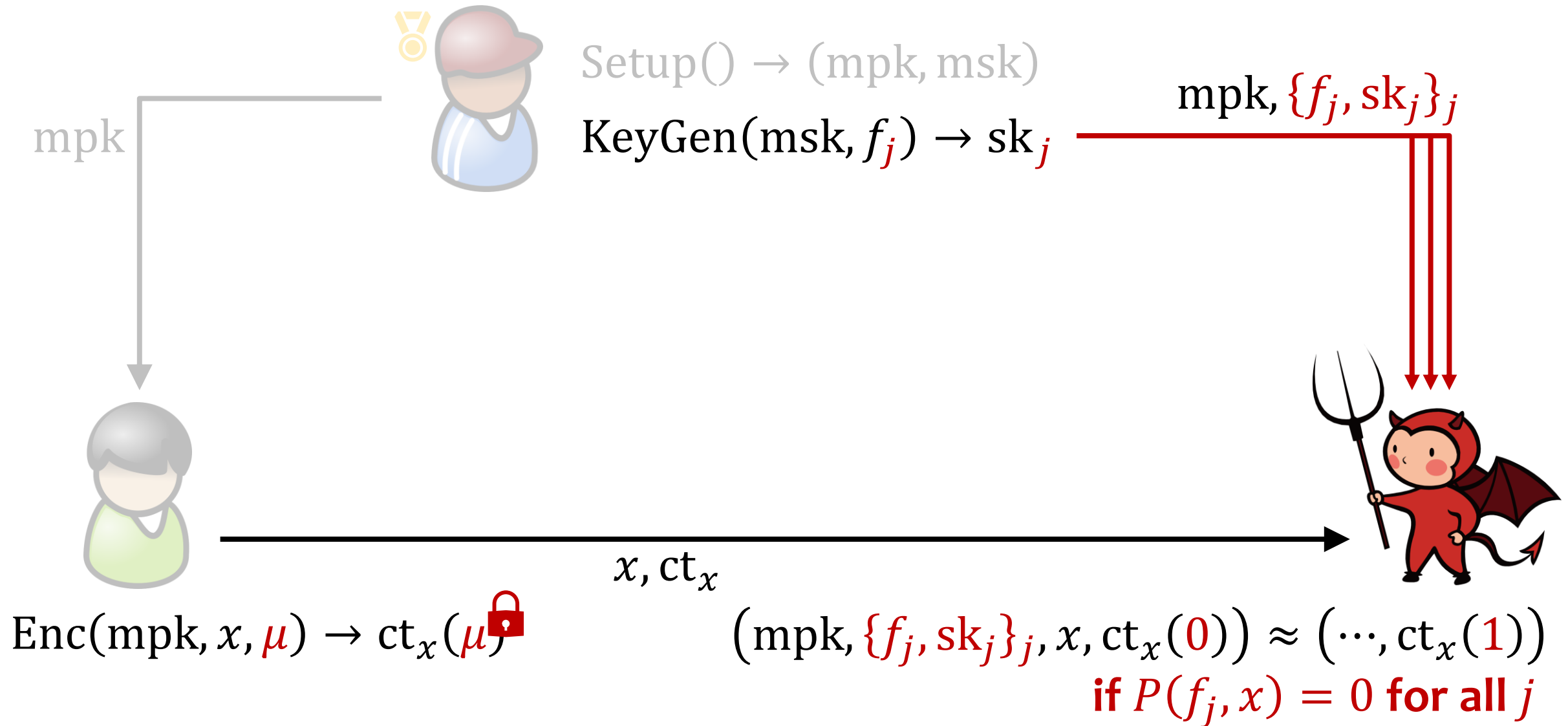
Syntax and Correctness of ABE



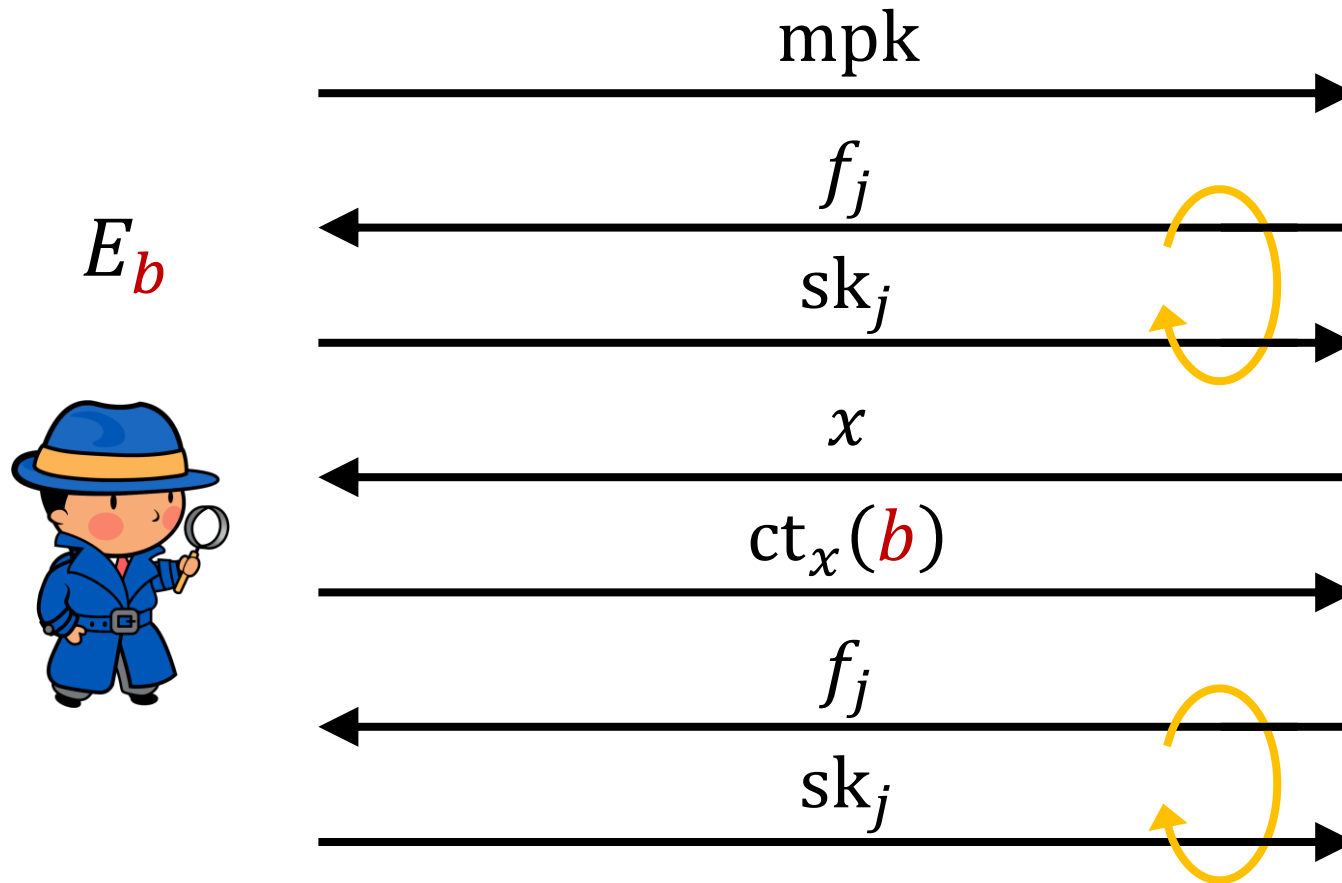
Security of ABE



Security of ABE – Collusion Resistance

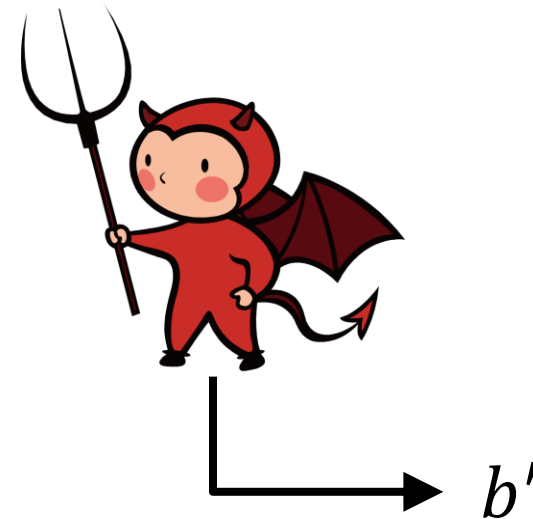


Security of ABE – Formal Definition



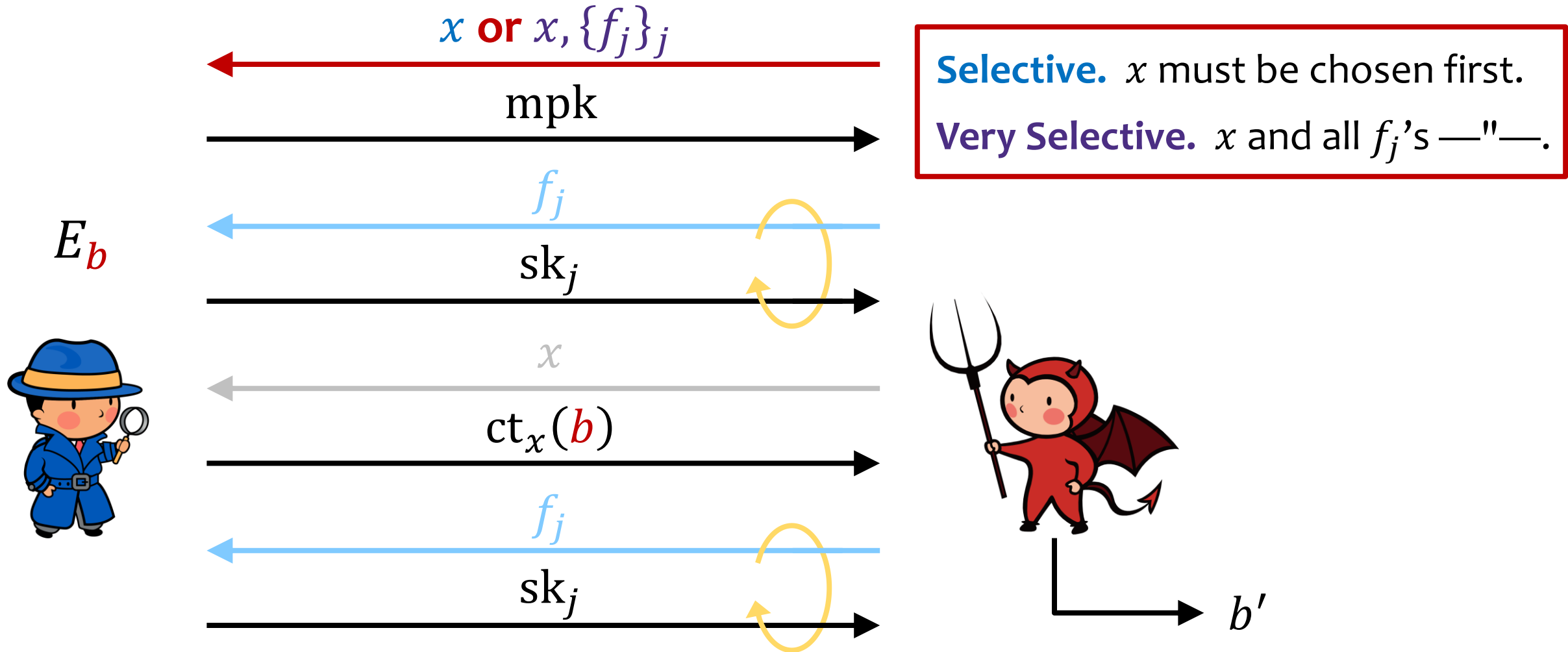
Adaptive Security.

- f_j depends on $mpk, sk_{<j}$
- x —"—" $mpk, sk_{<J_1}$
- f_j —"—" $mpk, sk_{<j}, ct$

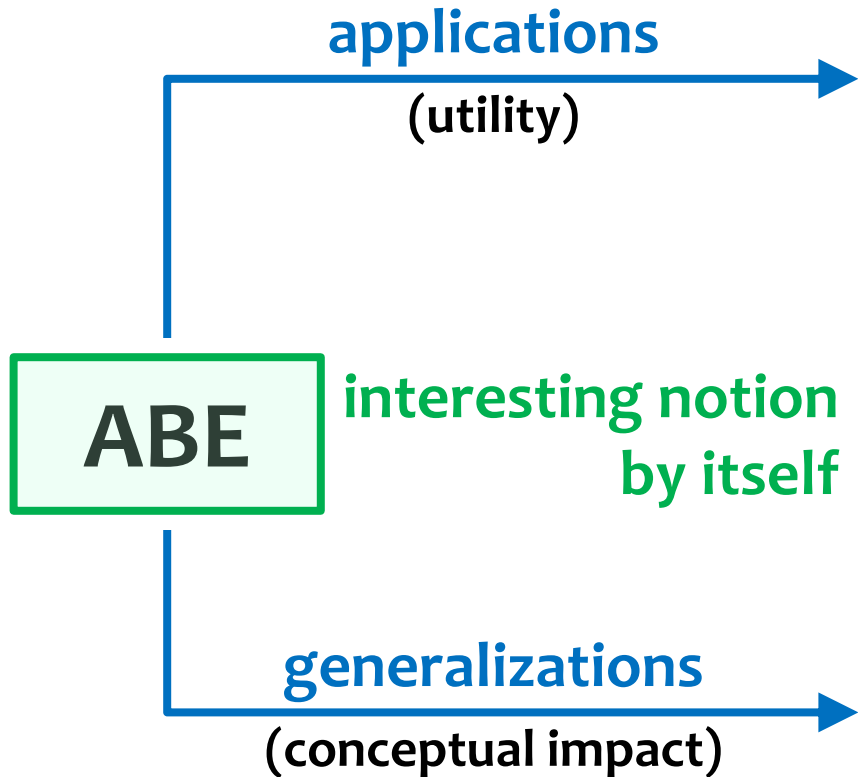


Security. $E_0 \approx E_1$ under the constraint of $P(f_j, x) = 0$ for all j .

Security of ABE – Weaker Notions



Why Study ABE?



- access control
 - audit logs [[GPSWo6](#)] medical records [[APGLPR11](#)]
 - private key distribution in cloud [[Cloudflare17](#)]
 - verifiable delegated computation [[PRV11](#)]
 - non-trivial witness encryption [[BJKPW17](#)]
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- decentralization [[Co7](#),[Ayy22](#),[HLWW22](#)]
 - multi-authority/input or registered
 - stronger functionality [[SBCSP07](#),[BWo7](#),[BSW11](#)]
 - predicate / functional encryption
 - ↑ connection to obfuscation [[GGHRSW13](#),[BV15](#),[AJ15](#)]

Pursuit of **Ends** – Desirata of ABE

Expressive. Supports rich class of policies.

circuits > formulae

RAM > TM > DFA

Succinct. Short mpk, sk, ct.

Recall $\text{Dec}(\text{mpk}, f, \boxed{\text{sk}_f}, x, \boxed{\text{ct}_x})$.
does **not** have to
fully encode f, x

succinct

sk, ct **bound** to f, x (**not hiding**)

- think hash / signature
- possible that $|\text{sk}| < |f|, |\text{ct}| < |x|$

affects baseline

Efficient. Fast Dec (and Setup, KeyGen, Enc).

$T_P = \text{baseline for } T_{\text{Dec}}$

These objectives are intertwined $\mathcal{P}!$

Strong Security. Adaptive > selective > very selective.

Weak Assumptions. Falsifiable > non-falsifiable.
Static > adversary-dependent (q -type).

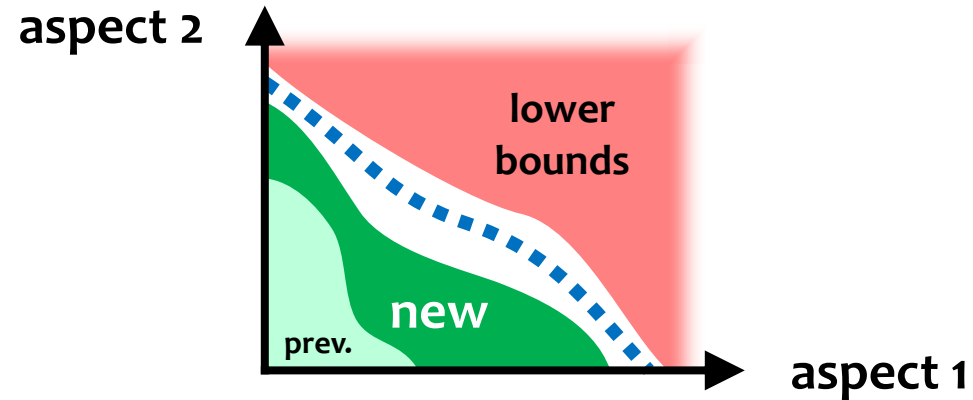
conceivable trade-off

- same construction
- proofs of **different** assumption \Rightarrow security

Pursuit of Ends – Multi-Objective Optimization

Expressive

Succinct



Goal. Characterize **curve of Pareto optimality**.

Push the Frontier. Construct new schemes.

- **better** than previous in **at least one** aspect
(wishful) better in **many** aspects
- some aspects are more prioritized
(expressive, succinct)

Efficient

Strong Security

Weak Assumptions

Encircle the Boundary. Prove trade-off lower bounds.

Pursuit of Means

Designing ABE schemes is... **not easy!**

general paradigm / framework?

WANTED

- modular** – redistribute complexities
- powerful** – new results
- versatile** – flexible assumptions

Previously...

dual system encryption [W09] + refinements

- pair encoding [A14]
- predicate encoding [W14]

two-to-one recoding [GVW13]

key-homomorphic encryption [BGGHNSVV14]

- ❑ born for adaptive security
- ⚠ only instantiated with pairing
- ⚠ heavy in algebra details
- ⚠ new results only from lattices
- ⚠ too few instantiations

Organization

New Frontiers of Attribute-Based Encryption
via a **General Paradigm** and **More**

Part I. **General Paradigm** ($\text{ABE} \Leftarrow \text{IPFE} \circ \text{Garbling}$)

- 4 instantiations
[[LL20a](#), [LL20b](#), [LLL22](#), [HLL24](#)]

Part II. **More**

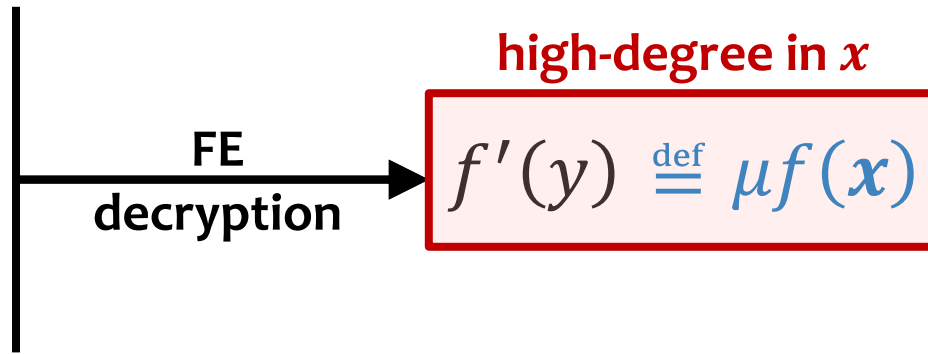
- ABE for circuits of unbounded depth from lattices
[[HLL23](#)]
- first systematic study of
optimal succinctness and efficiency for ABE
[[JLL23](#), [L24](#)]

Part I. General Paradigm

Somewhat technical, but less so than the sum of all those separate talks.

ABE \Leftarrow Functional Encryption

$$\text{sk}_f = \text{fsk}(f')$$



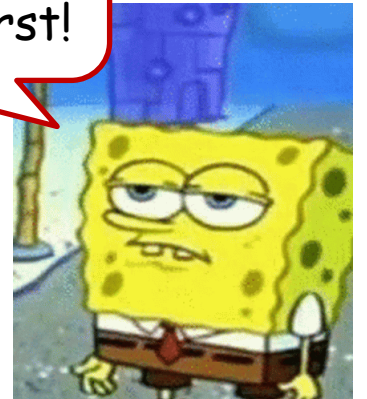
$$\text{ct}_x(\mu) = \text{fct}(y) \quad y = (x, \mu)$$

Idea.

- Decompose into two phases (low-degree + high-degree).
- Use **FE** on **low-degree** only.

To solve this problem, simply solve that **harder** problem first!

FE Security. Hides everything about y beyond $f'(y)$.



Linear Garbling (Roughly) [Y82,Y86,AIK11,IW14]

1. $\text{Garble}(f, \delta) \rightarrow (L_1, \dots, L_m)$
 - affine (low-degree) functions of x (label functions)
 - coefficients (L 's) contain δ , randomness

Protect δ , randomness? Protect this process!

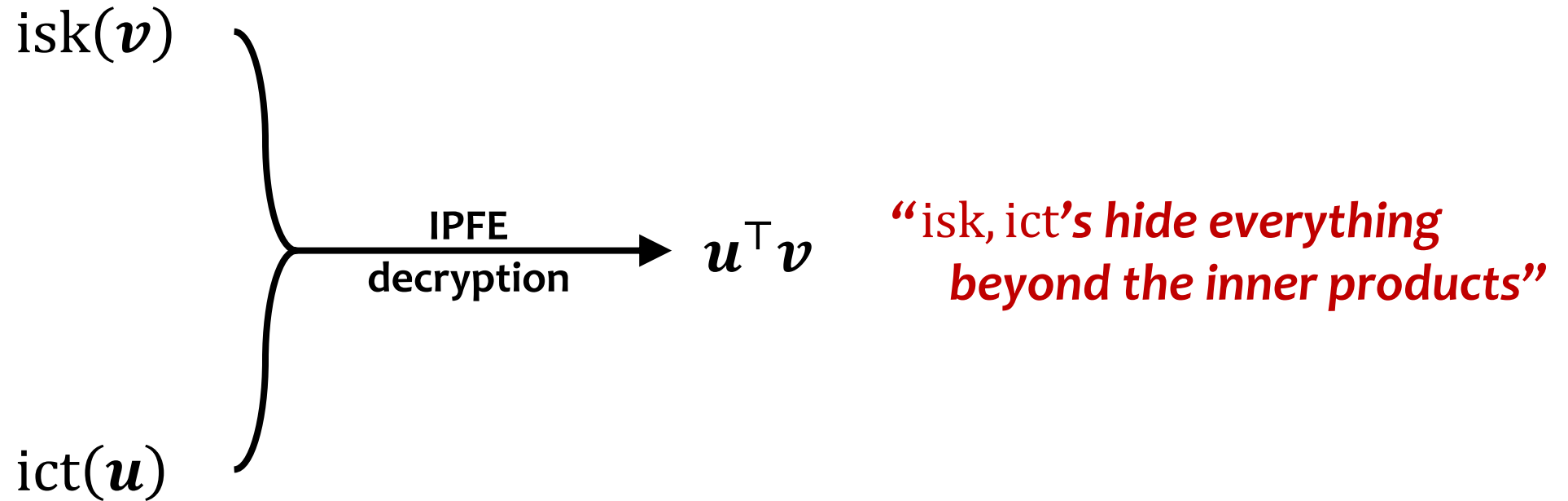
2. $\ell_1 = L_1(\mathbf{x}) = \langle (1, \mathbf{x}), L_1 \rangle, \dots, \ell_m = L_m(\mathbf{x}) = \langle (1, \mathbf{x}), L_m \rangle$
 - labels

not hidden

3. $\text{Eval}(f, \mathbf{x}, \ell_1, \dots, \ell_m) \rightarrow \delta f(\mathbf{x})$
 - high-degree in x

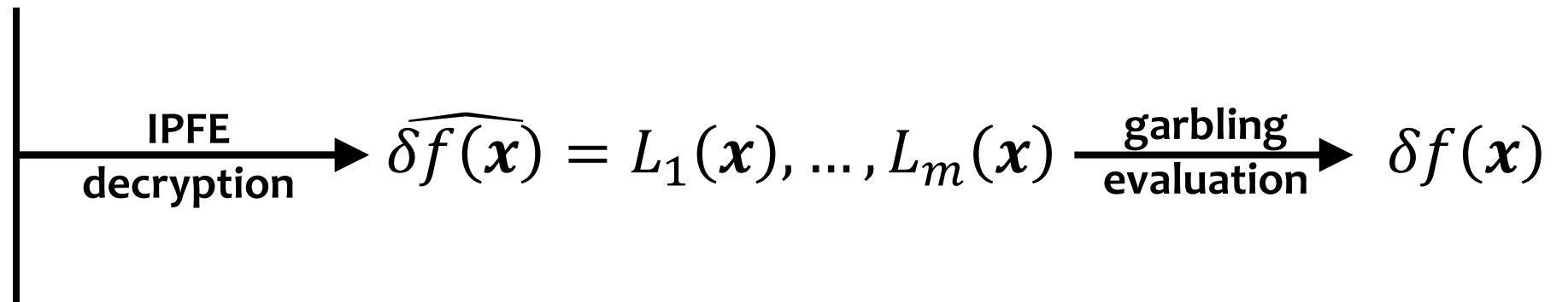
*“ ℓ 's reveal nothing
about δ beyond $\delta f(\mathbf{x})$ ”*

Inner-Product FE (Roughly) [ABDP15]



ABE \Leftarrow IPFE \circ Garbling

$$\text{sk}_f = \text{isk}(L_1), \dots, \text{isk}(L_m) \text{ (for } \delta \text{)}$$



$$\text{ct}_x(\mu) = \text{ict}(1, x), \boxed{\delta \oplus \mu}$$

remove OTP
when $f(x) = 1$

Composition of Security. (wishful)

- IPFE – only labels revealed
- garbling – only $\delta f(x)$ revealed
- δ is OTP for μ when $f(x) = 0$



formalize properties
that compose well



Security composition is tricky
and sensitive to formalism.

Pairing Groups

- G_1, G_2, G_T groups of order p (prime)
 $G_i = \langle g_i \rangle$, additive, $\llbracket a \rrbracket_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ag_i$
- $e: G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_T$ non-degenerate bilinear map
 $e(ag_1, bg_2) = abg_T$, $\llbracket a \rrbracket_1 \llbracket b \rrbracket_2 = \llbracket ab \rrbracket_T$

What is it good for cryptography?

Pairing = one-time, controlled multiplication.

✓ **Easy** $(\llbracket a \rrbracket_1, b) \mapsto \llbracket ab \rrbracket_1$ and $(\llbracket a \rrbracket_1, \llbracket b \rrbracket_2) \mapsto \llbracket ab \rrbracket_T$.

DDH. $\llbracket a, b, ab \rrbracket_1 \approx \llbracket a, b, c \rrbracket_1$ for $a, b, c \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_p$.

✗ **Hard** $(\llbracket a \rrbracket_1, \llbracket b \rrbracket_1) \mapsto \llbracket ab \rrbracket_T$.

- Provides **some** protection for x in $\llbracket x \rrbracket_i$.
- Builds **IPFE** (**full** protection).

IPFE in [LL20a]

Pairing-Based.

Recall. Garbling Eval after IPFE Dec.

only linear operations with $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_T$?

$$\text{Dec}(\text{isk}(\llbracket \mathbf{v} \rrbracket_2), \text{ict}(\llbracket \mathbf{u} \rrbracket_1)) = \llbracket \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{v} \rrbracket_T$$

Function-Hiding.* (hides \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})

Fact. Such IPFE can be built from k -Lin (standard, static assumption). [ALS16, W17, LV16, L17]

$$(\text{impk}, \{\text{isk}(\mathbf{v}_{j0})\}_j, \{\text{ict}(\mathbf{u}_{i0})\}_i) \approx (\text{impk}, \{\text{isk}(\mathbf{v}_{j1})\}_j, \{\text{ict}(\mathbf{u}_{i1})\}_i)$$

Can compute $I \times J$ inner products $\mathbf{u}_{i?}^\top \mathbf{v}_{j?}$.

if $\mathbf{u}_{i0}^\top \mathbf{v}_{j0} = \mathbf{u}_{i1}^\top \mathbf{v}_{j1}$ for all i, j .

* not the full story, but good enough for now

Garbling in [LL20a]

More Linear Properties.

1. $\text{Garble}(f, \delta; \mathbf{r}) \rightarrow (L_1, \dots, L_m)$
linear in (δ, \mathbf{r})
2. $\ell_j = \langle (1, \mathbf{x}), L_j \rangle$
3. $\text{Eval}(f, \mathbf{x}, \ell_1, \dots, \ell_m)$
linear in (ℓ_1, \dots, ℓ_m)

Fact. Such garbling for arithmetic branching programs (ABP) exists. [IK00, IK02, IW14]

ABP = determinant of certain matrices

Security.* (distribution of ℓ_1, \dots, ℓ_m)

Point. This leads to **localized** label simulation.

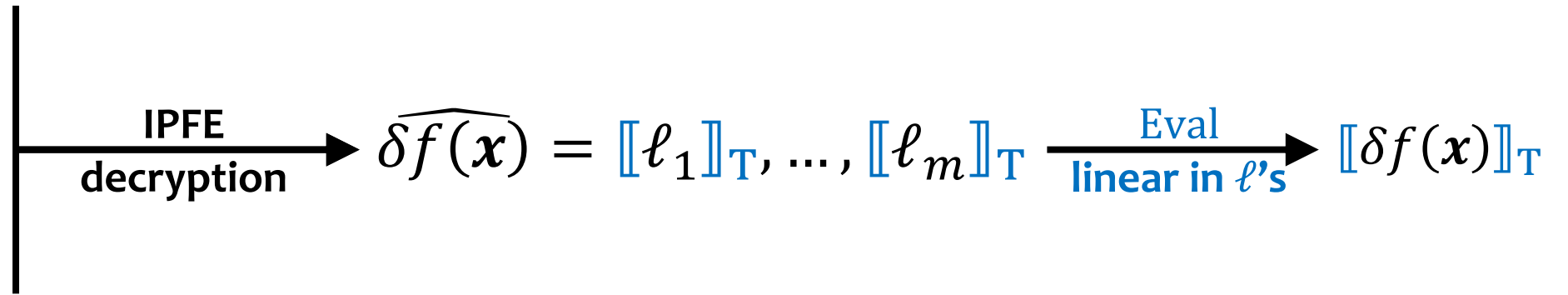
1. ℓ_2, \dots, ℓ_m are jointly random.
2. ℓ_1 is uniquely determined by $f, \mathbf{x}, \delta f(\mathbf{x}), \ell_2, \dots, \ell_m$
due to **evaluation correctness**, i.e.,
$$\text{Eval}(f, \mathbf{x}, \ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_m) = \delta f(\mathbf{x}),$$

a linear constraint on ℓ_1 .

* not the full story, but good enough for now

Instantiating the Paradigm in [LL20a]

$$\text{sk}_f = \text{isk}(\llbracket L_1 \rrbracket_2), \dots, \text{isk}(\llbracket L_m \rrbracket_2)$$



$$\text{ct}_x(\mu) = \text{ict}(\llbracket 1, \mathbf{x} \rrbracket_1)$$

Selective Security in [LL20a]

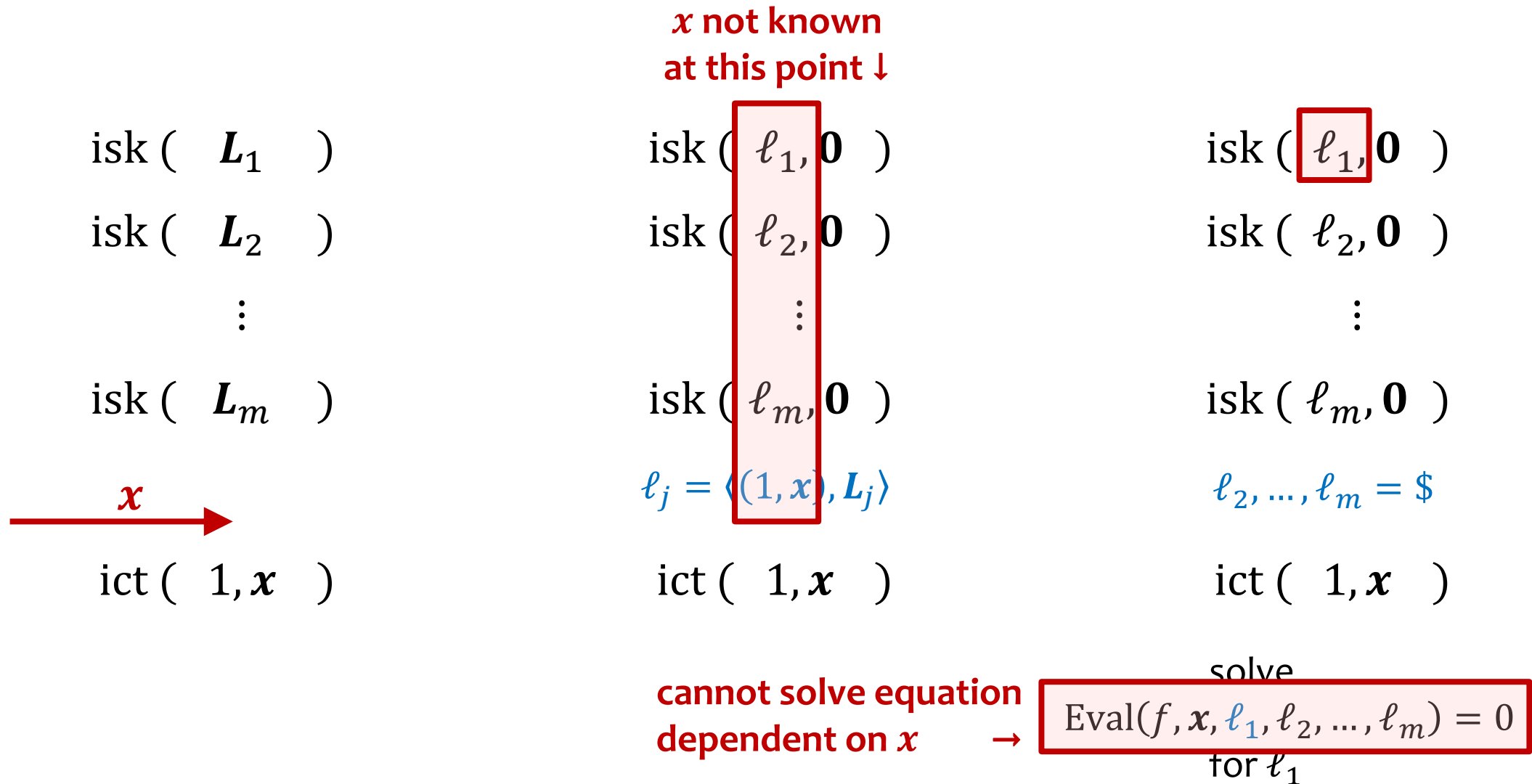
✓ independent of δ

$\text{ict} ((1, \mathbf{x}))$	<p>IPFE</p> \approx	$\text{ict} ((1, \mathbf{x}))$	<p>garbling</p> \equiv	$\text{ict} ((1, \mathbf{x}))$
$\text{isk} (L_1)$		$\text{isk} (\ell_1, \mathbf{0})$		$\text{isk} (\ell_1, \mathbf{0})$
$\text{isk} (L_2)$		$\text{isk} (\ell_2, \mathbf{0})$		$\text{isk} (\ell_2, \mathbf{0})$
\vdots		\vdots		\vdots
$\text{isk} (L_m)$		$\text{isk} (\ell_m, \mathbf{0})$		$\text{isk} (\ell_m, \mathbf{0})$

$$\ell_j = \langle (1, \mathbf{x}), L_j \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\ell_2, \dots, \ell_m = \$ \\
 &\text{solve} \\
 &\text{Eval}(f, \mathbf{x}, \ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_m) = \delta f(\mathbf{x}) \\
 &\text{for } \ell_1 \quad \quad \quad = 0 \text{ (constraint)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem with Adaptive Security in [LL20a]



Fixing Adaptive Security in [LL20a]

✓ can be generated
✓ independent of δ

isk (L_1 0)

isk (L_2 0)

\vdots

isk (L_m 0)

many steps *
 \approx

isk (0, 0 1)

isk (ℓ_2 , 0 0)

\vdots

isk (ℓ_m , 0 0)

$\ell_2, \dots, \ell_m = \$$



ict (1, x 0)

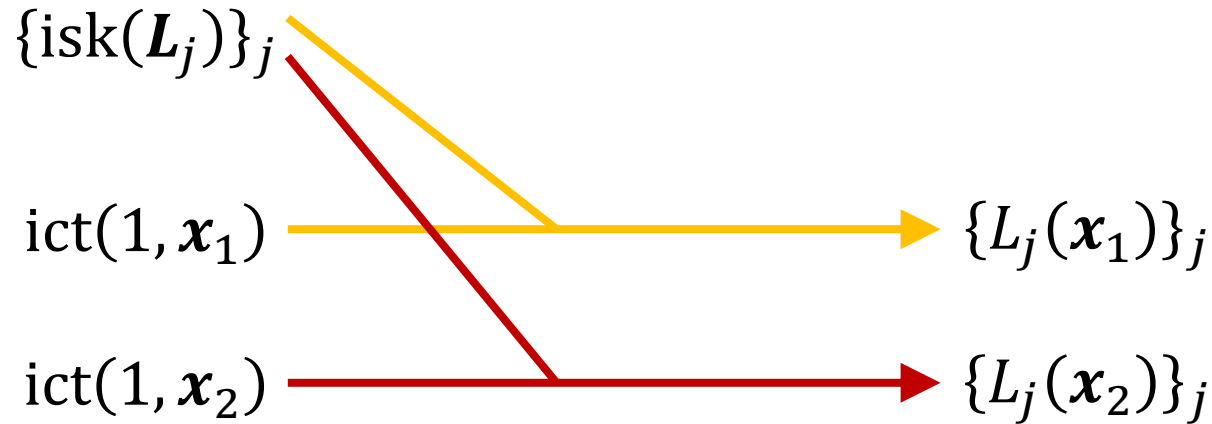
ict (1, x ℓ_1)

solve

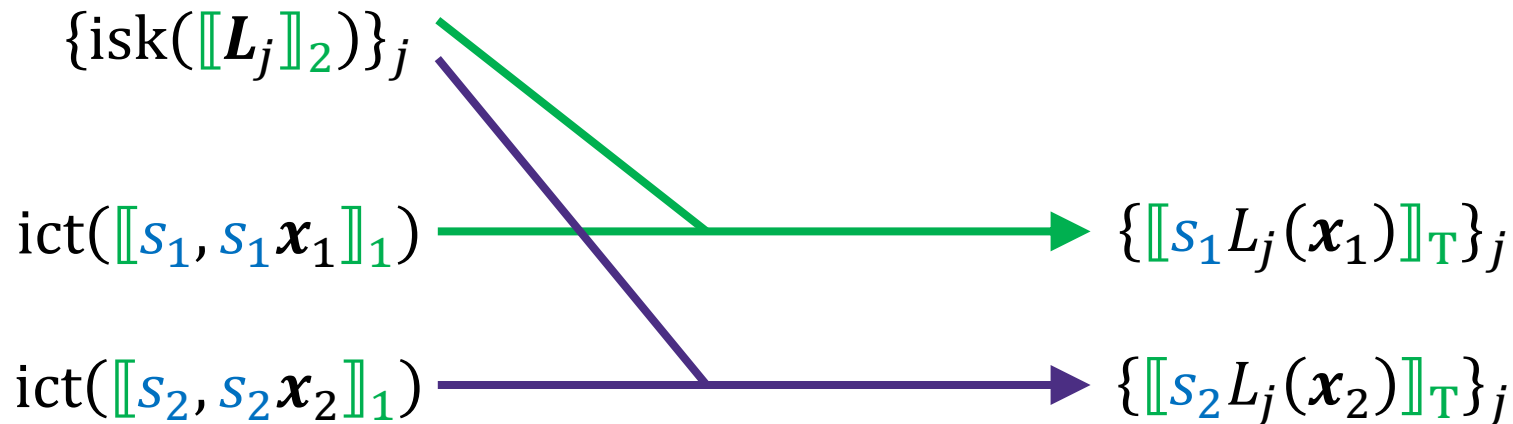
Eval($f, x, \ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_m$) = 0
for ℓ_1

* untold part of garbling security

Multi-Ciphertext Security in [L20a]



✗ Garbling security breaks if label functions are reused!



✓ DDH ensures $\{L_j, \{s_i L_j\}_i\}_j$ looks fresh in group.

ABE for Uniform in [LL20a]

Previous. input length of f is fixed (non-uniform model)

Now. more flexible (e.g., NFA)

- sk_Γ for regular expression Γ
(works with **all possible** input length)
- ct_x for input string x
(works with **all possible** reg.exp. size)

Same Paradigm.

- garbling for **NFA, NL**
- use IPFE to compute garbling
- **proof** guided by same idea
simple idea, complex execution,
IPFE helpful in managing proof

Tweaks. garbling size $\Theta(|\Gamma| \cdot |x|)$

- $sk = \Theta(|\Gamma|)$ many isk 's
 - $ct = \Theta(|x|)$ many ict 's
- make **every pair** of decryption useful!

Achievements of [LL20a]

ABE for Non-Uniform. ABP, adaptive, standard assumptions.

- **Previous.** puts bound on program size upon Setup [LOSTW10],
or non-adaptive [GSPW06],
or non-standard assumptions [LW12].
- **Previous, Concurrent.**
for Boolean formula / branching programs [KW19,GW20].

ABE for Uniform. (N)L, (linear-size) N/DFA, adaptive, standard assumptions.

- **Previous.** for DFA,
non-adaptive or large components or non-standard assumptions
[W12,A14,AMY19,GWW19].
- **Concurrent.** [GW20]
for DFA, same achievements;
for NFA, non-adaptive.

* comparison only with pairing-based schemes

Power of Paradigm Exhibited by [LL20a]

one method solving **many** open problems (pairing-based)

- adaptive ABE for arithmetic computation / DFA
- ABE for NFA

almost the **end game** of adaptive standard ABE from pairing

- small remaining gap between selective/adaptive ABE (arithmetic **span** program vs ABP)
- **still the only** known adaptive ABE for NFA, L, NL (for ABP, improved in [LL20b])

X Size of garbling with our security notion is tightly related to ABP size. [Luo20汉]

reused in the **future**

- next-up in this talk
- same IPFE / garbling used for AB-FE for ABP, L [DP21,DPT22]

Remember Succinctness?

$$|sk_f| < |f|?$$

$$sk_f = isk(L_1), \dots, isk(L_m)$$

- has $m = |f|$ objects (isk's)
- has $\geq m$ bits of (garbling) randomness

must hide garbling randomness

$$|ct_x| < |x|?$$

$$ct_x(\mu) = ict(1, x)$$

- IPFE (hiding) security $\Rightarrow |ict| \geq |x|$

nothing to hide

IPFE

\approx

(x then f)

$$isk(\ell_1, \mathbf{0}), \dots, isk(\ell_m, \mathbf{0})$$

(non-hiding – more difficult for proof)

use non-hiding isk to *bind* to x

$$ict(1, x)$$

no hiding required
for “ x then f ” case

Using IPFE with Succinct Keys

$$\text{ct}_f(\mu) = \text{ict}(L_1), \dots, \text{ict}(L_m)$$

$$\text{ict}(0, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}), \\ \text{ict}(\ell_2, \mathbf{0}), \dots, \text{ict}(\ell_m, \mathbf{0})$$



$$\text{sk}_x = \text{isk}(1, x)$$

✓ $|\text{isk}| = 0(1)$

⚠ no hiding

□ CP-1-ABE

many steps?

\approx

(f then x)

Two values hardwired during proof.

$$\text{isk}(1, x, \ell_1)$$

cannot hardwire ℓ_1
by changing vector

Solution. IPFE with *simulation security*.
(stronger formulation compatible with proof)

IPFE with Simulation Security

impk $\{ \text{isk} (\mathbf{v}_j) \}$ $\text{ict} (\mathbf{u})$ $\{ \text{isk} (\mathbf{v}_j) \}$	\approx	$\widetilde{\text{impk}}$ $\{ \widetilde{\text{isk}} (\mathbf{v}_j \mid \overbrace{\perp}^{\text{input to simulator}}) \}$ $\widetilde{\text{ict}} (\perp \mid \{ \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{v}_j \}_{j < J_1})$ $\{ \widetilde{\text{isk}} (\mathbf{v}_j \mid \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{v}_j) \}$	<p>At every moment,^(adaptive) input to simulator is whatever is intended to be revealed.</p>
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Constructions. [LL20b]

- Generically from any selectively secure IPFE.
- Direct by modifying [ALS16] (better efficiency).

Stronger Formulation. [LL20b]

1. Can simulate up to T ciphertexts.

(T tunable at Setup, affects component sizes)

2. Can **do/undo** simulation for any ict **in the presence of other** $\widetilde{\text{ict}}$'s.

Using Simulation-Secure IPFE in [LL20b]

$$\text{ct}_f(\mu) = \text{ict}(\mathbf{L}_1), \dots, \text{ict}(\mathbf{L}_m)$$

$$\widetilde{\text{ict}}(\perp|\perp), \\ \text{ict}(\ell_2, \mathbf{0}), \dots, \text{ict}(\ell_m, \mathbf{0})$$



many steps



(f then x)

$$\text{sk}_x = \text{isk}(1, x)$$

$$\widetilde{\text{isk}}(1, x|\ell_1)$$

✓ $|\text{isk}| = O(T)$ with $T = 2$

□ CP-1-ABE

Multi-key security? KP-ABE?

- CP-1-ABE + dual system [W09] \Rightarrow KP-ABE
- KP-ABE \Rightarrow KP-1-ABE (trivial)
- KP-1-ABE + dual system \Rightarrow CP-ABE*

* a factor of 2 shaved off in sizes compared to usual implementation of dual system, somehow...

Summary of [LL20b]

Achievements in Succinct ABE. ABP, adaptive, standard assumptions.

- **Part with x is Succinct.** ct_x in KP-ABE, sk_x in CP-ABE.
- **Previous.** only (natively) for Boolean computation, non-adaptive or non-standard assumptions [A16,ZGTCLQC16].
- **Concurrent.**
for Boolean formulae [AT20]
only 1 fewer group element in ct for KP.

What about the Paradigm? (not fully within paradigm)

- **“Ablation Study” of Roles of IPFE.** By comparing [LL20a] with literature...
computing garbling (new IPFE);
rerandomizing garbling (dual system).
- **Learn in Abstraction, Improve by Breaking It.**
paradigm = bridge to reach the goal?



Moving Beyond Noiseless Garbling

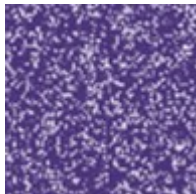
Part with x is Succinct. ct_x in KP-ABE, sk_x in CP-ABE.

Part with f ?

Fact. Size of noiseless linear garbling tightly related to span program size [B84,M87,BDHM92,KW93] (linear algebraic computation, **low-depth**).

Noiseless

- cannot make f -part **succinct**
- does not handle **high** depth



Let's try allowing noises!

Attribute Encoding from Lattices [BGGHNSVV14,GV15]

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}_{|x|}) \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times |x|m} \xrightarrow[\text{for circuit } C]{\text{EvalC}} \mathbf{A}_C \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times m}$$

m

n

$$\mathbf{s}^\top (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{x} \otimes \mathbf{G}) + \mathbf{e}^\top \xrightarrow[\text{for } C \text{ and } \mathbf{x}]{\text{EvalCX}} \mathbf{s}^\top (\mathbf{A}_C - C(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{G}) + \mathbf{e}_C^\top$$

m

\uparrow
 $= (\mathbf{s}^\top (\mathbf{A}_1 - \mathbf{x}[1] \cdot \mathbf{G}) + \mathbf{e}_1^\top, \dots)$

- **homomorphic** encoding
- sizes depend on depth d of C ,
not size
- noise growth is **exponential** in d

* What is \mathbf{G} ?

Some fixed, publicly known matrix – details not needed for now.

Noisy Linear Garbling from Attribute Encoding

Public Parameters. A , short z

Think binary x .

Labels. $s^\top (A - x \otimes G) + e^\top = \underline{s^\top (A - x \otimes G)} = c^\top$ (wavy = noises)

Evaluation.

1. $c^\top \xrightarrow{\text{EvalCX}} \underline{s^\top (A_c - C(x) \cdot G)} = c_c^\top$

2. output $c_c^\top z$

$$= \underline{s^\top A_c z} - C(x) \cdot \underline{s^\top G z} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bullet \text{ } C(x) = 0, \text{ then just the secret} \\ \bullet \text{ } C(x) = 1, \text{ then } \underline{s^\top G z} \text{ is OTP to hide secret}^* \end{array} \right.$$

Changes.

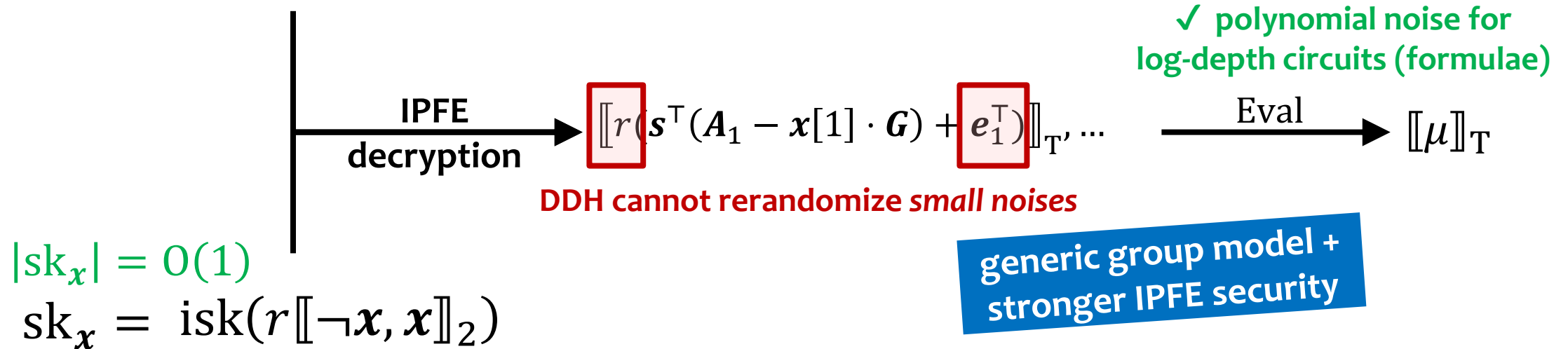
- “ $P(C, x) = \neg C(x)$ ” – recover secret when $C(x) = 0$
- secret is $\underline{s^\top A_c z}$

* not the full story, but good enough for now

Using Noisy Linear Garbling in [LL22]

$$|ct_f| = O(|x|^2) < |f|$$

$$ct_f(\mu) = \text{ict}(\llbracket s^\top A_1 + e_1^\top, s^\top (A_1 - G) + e_1^\top \rrbracket_1), \dots$$



- selects $\underline{s^\top A_1}$ or $\underline{s^\top (A_1 - G)}$ etc.
- DDH-style rerandomization with r

Generic Group Model [S97,Mo5]

Standard Model.

- arbitrary computation on group element represented in bits
- certain computational problem is hard

Generic Group Model. intuitive although strong

- only operations via group-theoretic interfaces
 - addition, negation, zero-testing
 - pairing

more control of adversarial behavior
⇒ easier to write proofs

- (equivalently) adversary capability
= zero-test any linear function of $(\llbracket 1, \mathbf{w}_1 \rrbracket_1 \otimes \llbracket 1, \mathbf{w}_2 \rrbracket_2, \llbracket \mathbf{w}_T \rrbracket_T)$



Saw $w_1 = \llbracket a \rrbracket_1, w_2 = \llbracket b \rrbracket_2, w_T = \llbracket c \rrbracket_T$.
Define $L(r, s) = r - s$. Ask $L(\mathbf{w}_1 \otimes \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_T) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$.

Yes/no. (Tests whether $ab = c$.)



Very Strong IPFE Simulation Security of [LL22]

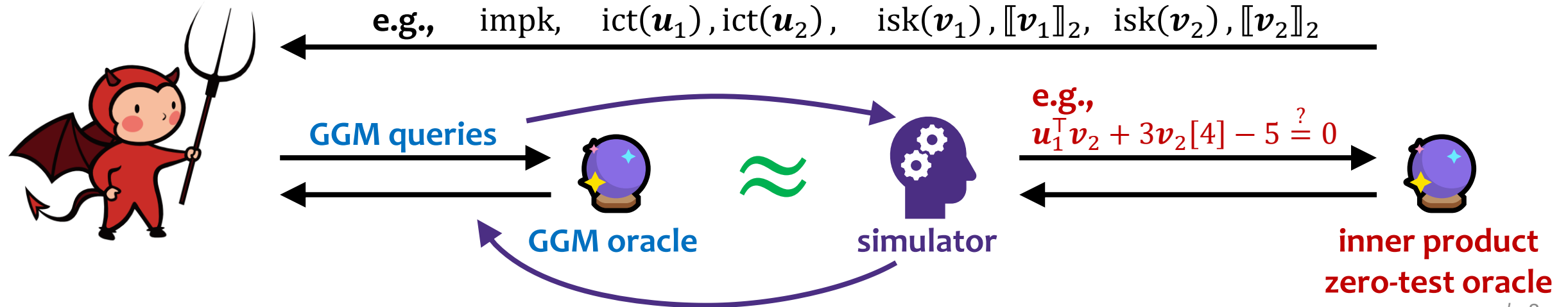
Generic Group Model.

“All you can do is to **zero-test** linear functions of **pairing results** (and target group elements).”

IPFE Simulation in GGM.

“All you can do is to **zero-test** linear functions of **inner products** (and key vectors).”

- ✓ proven for [ABDP15]
- ✓ rerandomization with r now **works**



Summary of [LL22]

Doubly Succinct CP-ABE. for Boolean **formulae** (log-depth circuits)

- $|\text{sk}_x| = O(1) < |\mathbf{x}|$ and $|\text{ct}_f| = O(|\mathbf{x}|^2) < |f|$
- **first** ABE with non-trivial **double** succinctness
- **Previous.** [AY20] CP-ABE from pairing + lattices
[AWY20] —"— with [LL20a] IPFE (not **doubly** succinct)

More Succinct KP-ABE. for Boolean **circuits** with $|\text{sk}_c| = O(1)$

- **Previous.** [BGGHNSVV14] with $|\text{sk}_c| = \text{poly}(d)$
- **Later.** [CW23] from just LWE

Versality of Paradigm. Can **combine** pairing and lattices.

Lattices, not Pairing

Why **not** pairing?

- not post-quantum secure
- noise must be polynomially bounded

Learning with Errors (LWE).

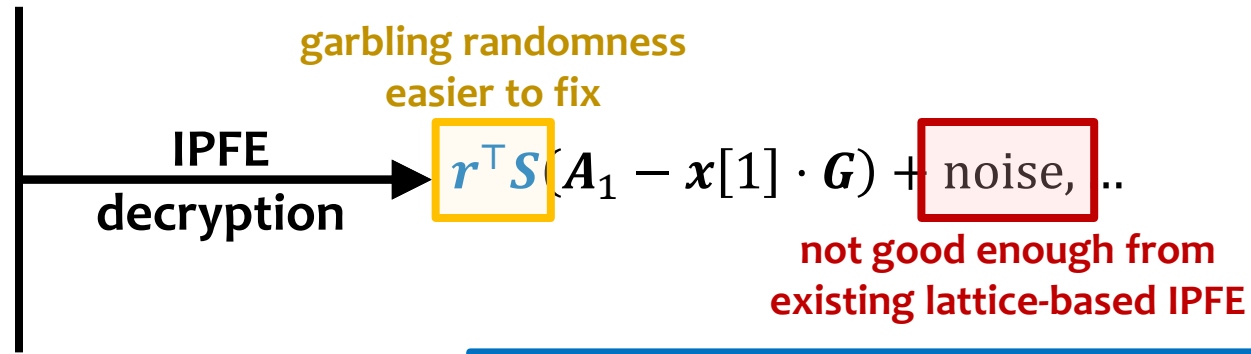
$$\begin{array}{c} \textcolor{blue}{A}, \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline n & m \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \textcolor{red}{s}^T \textcolor{blue}{A} + \textcolor{green}{e}^T \\ \begin{array}{|c|} \hline n \\ \hline \end{array} \times \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline n & m \\ \hline \end{array} \\ + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline m \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$\approx \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \text{protection for } s & \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \textcolor{blue}{A}, \$$$

- presumably post-quantum
- OK with somewhat large noise
- ✓ builds some IPFE
- ✗ IPFE insufficient for ABE

Rerandomization with Lattice-Based IPFE

$$\text{ct}_f(\mu) = \text{ict}(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{A}_1 - \mathbf{G})), \dots$$



$$\text{sk}_x = \text{isk}(r^\top(\neg x, x))$$

Goal. lattice-based IPFE giving good noises

Lattice Trapdoors [MP12] and Evasive LWE [W22,T22]

$$“K = B^{-1}(P)”$$

trapdoor of B = information about B for solving $BK = P$ for **small** K , given any P

$$(s^T B + e^T) \cdot B^{-1}(P) = s^T P + e^T K$$

$$\underline{s^T B} \cdot B^{-1}(P) = \underline{s^T P}$$

- controlled multiplication
- makes LWE fail
(no protection for s)

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{s^T B} \cdot B^{-1}(0) \text{ small} \\ \$ \cdot B^{-1}(0) \text{ random} \end{array}$$

Evasive LWE. (conditional protection for s)

“The **only meaningful way** to use $B^{-1}(P)$ is to **multiply it to** $\underline{s^T B}$ and ignore noise correlation.”

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{if} & (B, P, s^T B + e_B^T, s^T P + e_P^T) \approx (B, P, \$, \$) \\ \text{then} & (B, P, s^T B + e_B^T, B^{-1}(P)) \approx (B, P, \$, B^{-1}(P)) \end{array}$$

Evasive LWE and Evasive IPFE [HLL24]

IPFE (full protection) \Leftarrow **Pairing.**
controlled multiplication
DDH or GGM.
some protection

Lattice Trapdoor.
controlled multiplication
LWE + Evasive LWE.
some protection

Corporate needs you to find the differences between this picture and this picture.

They're the same picture.

\Rightarrow Evasive IPFE

suffices for ABE *

Functionality.

$$\text{Dec}(\text{impk}, \mathbf{v}, \text{isk}(\mathbf{v}), \text{ict}(\mathbf{u})) = \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{v} + e_{\text{Dec}}$$

Security.

$I \times J$ fresh noises

$$\text{if } \{\mathbf{u}_i^\top \mathbf{v}_j + e_{ij}\}_{ij} \approx \{\$ \}_{ij}$$

then

$$(\text{impk}, \{\mathbf{v}_j, \text{isk}(\mathbf{v}_j)\}_j, \{\text{ict}(\mathbf{u}_i)\}_i) \approx (\text{impk}, \{\mathbf{v}_j, \text{isk}(\mathbf{v}_j)\}_j, \{\text{ict}(\$)\}_i)$$

* not the full story, but good enough for now

Achievements of [HLL24]

Lattice-Based CP-ABE. for circuits (using garbling from [BGGHNSVV14])

- from LWE + evasive LWE
- **Previous.** [BV20] no security proof
[W22] from LWE + tensor LWE + evasive LWE

ABE for Uniform. for DFA, L (using garbling from [LL20a])

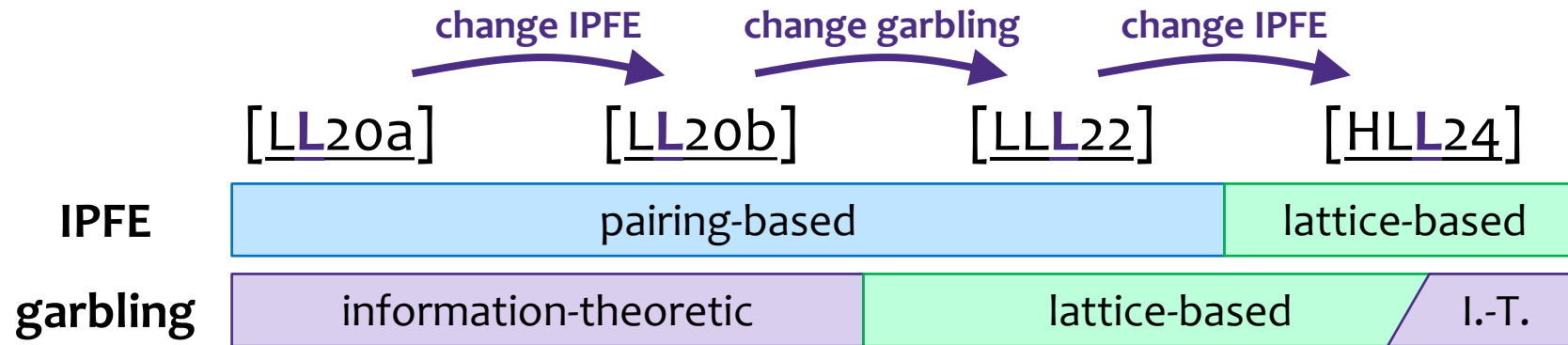
- **first** lattice-based public-key ABE for uniform
- **Previous.** [AS17,W22] against bounded collusion
[AMY19] secret-key ABE for NFA
[W22] no security proof

Summary of Paradigm

ABE \Leftarrow IPFE \circ Garbling

Composition of Security.

- IPFE – only rerandomized garblings revealed
- assumption – garblings are properly rerandomized
- garbling – secret/message hidden if unauthorized



- Modular.** Hides most *raw* usage of computational assumptions into IPFE and garbling security.
- Powerful.** Achieves various ABE with **better** properties.
- Versatile.** Works with pairing, lattice, or pairing + lattice.

Open Questions from Part I

- Gap between **selective/adaptive** ABE from **static** pairing assumptions
(arithmetic span program vs ABP)
- **CP**-ABE for circuits from **falsifiable** lattice assumptions
- ABE for **DFA** from **falsifiable** lattice assumptions
(Evasive LWE is non-falsifiable.)

Part II. More

Nothing technical now,
just the results and the messages.

Bounded and Unbounded (KP-ABE)

Recall. $s^\top (A - x \otimes G) + \mathbf{e}^\top \xrightarrow{\text{EvalCX}} s^\top (A_C - C(x) \cdot G) + \mathbf{e}_C^\top$
noise growth **exponential** in depth d of C

computation in \mathbb{Z}_q – only works when $d = O(\log q)$

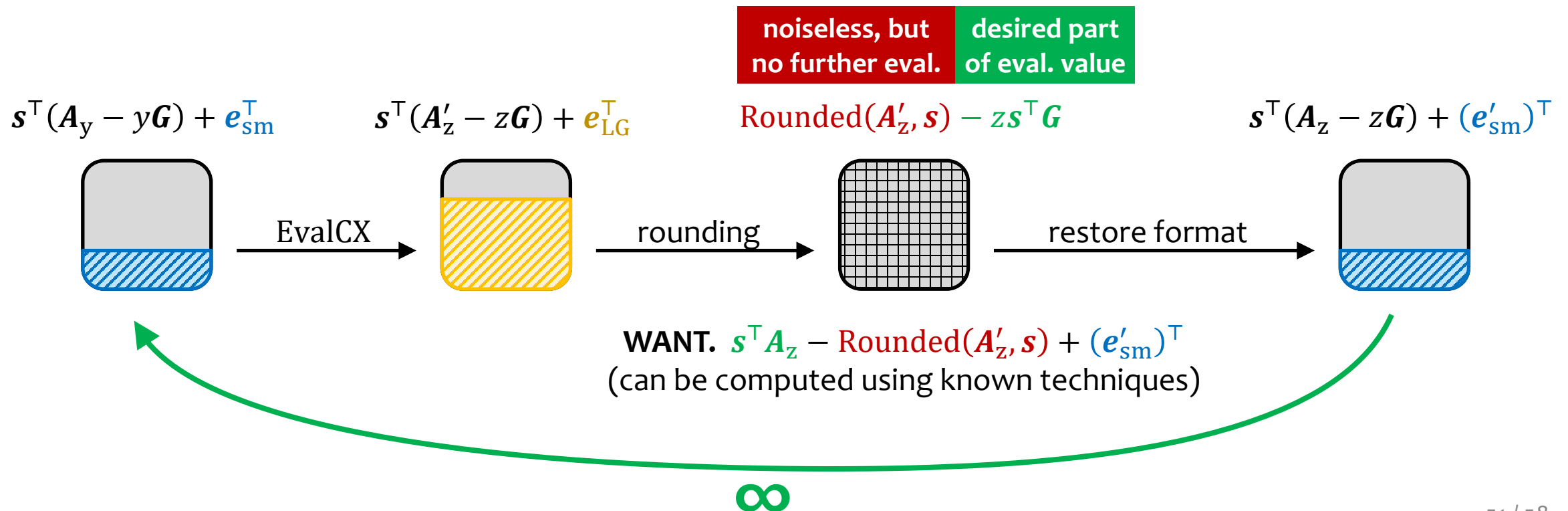
- q is often chosen upon Setup.
- q **must** be chosen upon Enc.
 - ct_x contains elements in \mathbb{Z}_q (attribute encoding).
 - This forces $d \leq |\text{ct}|$,
so ct_x **cannot** work with sk_C if $d > |\text{ct}|$,
even if $C(x) = 0$.
 - “ ct_x places an upper bound on d ,” (**depth-bounded**)
even though x **has nothing to do with d** .

WANT. No upper bound on d from mpk, ct (“**depth-unbounded**”).

Unbounded Evaluation for Attribute Encoding

Idea. (similar to *fully homomorphic encryption*)

- Start from *somewhat small* noise.
- Perform some evaluation. Noise becomes *somewhat large*.
- **Reduce noise** to *somewhat small* before it *overflows*.
- Rinse and repeat.



Achievements and Open Questions [HLL23]

KP-ABE for circuits of unbounded depth.

- long-standing open problem
- from circular LWE + evasive circular LWE (circular = encrypt \mathbf{s} using \mathbf{s})
- **Previous.** [BGGHNSVV14] for bounded depth
- **Concurrent.** [CW23] for bounded depth with $|\text{sk}_C| = O(1)$

Related Primitives. (with depth bound removed, from circular LWE)

Open Questions. depth-unbounded KP-ABE
from **falsifiable** (no “evasive”) lattice assumptions

Dream and Actual Versions of ABE [JLL23]

Previous. ABE for **ABP**, **NL**, **circuits**...

ABE for RAM (best model for real-world programs)

$$|\text{sk}_f| = O(1)$$

$$|\text{ct}_x| = O(1)$$

$$T_{\text{Dec}} = O(T_{\text{RAM},f,x}) \quad \text{possible that } T_{\text{RAM},f,x} < |x| \quad (\text{think binary search})$$

from functional encryption for circuits
with *arbitrarily bad* efficiency... \downarrow

$ \text{sk}_f $	$ \text{ct}_x $	T_{Dec}
$O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(T + f + x)$
$ f + O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(T + x)$
$O(1)$	$ x + O(1)$	$O(T + f)$
$ f + O(1)$	$ x + O(1)$	$O(T)$

*Are we (am I) stupid,
or is it some necessary evil?*

YOU CAN (NOT) OPTIMIZE [L24]

Theorem. For any secure ABE supporting $P(f = i, x = \mathbf{R}) = \mathbf{R}[i]$, it holds that

$$|\text{ct}_x| \cdot T_{\text{Dec}} = \Omega(|x|).$$

Similar trade-off lower bound holds between $|\text{sk}_f|$ and T_{Dec} .

\Rightarrow Schemes of [JLL23] are **Pareto-optimal**.

Fact. Schemes of [JLL23] can be modified into

$$|\text{sk}_f| = |f|^\alpha + O(1), \quad |\text{ct}_x| = |x|^\beta + O(1),$$

$$T_{\text{Dec}} = O(T \times (|f|^{1-\alpha} + |x|^{1-\beta})),$$

for any constants $0 < \alpha, \beta < 1$.

\Rightarrow The trade-off lower bound is **tight** for $T = O(1)$.

Achievements of [JL23,L24]

New Agenda.

- multi-objective optimization
- quest for Pareto-optimality

Trade-Off Lower Bounds for ABE.

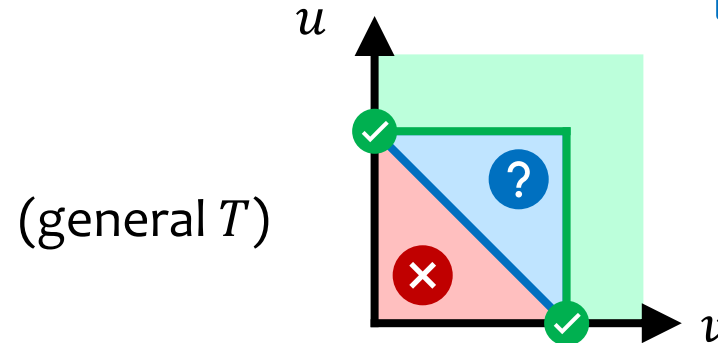
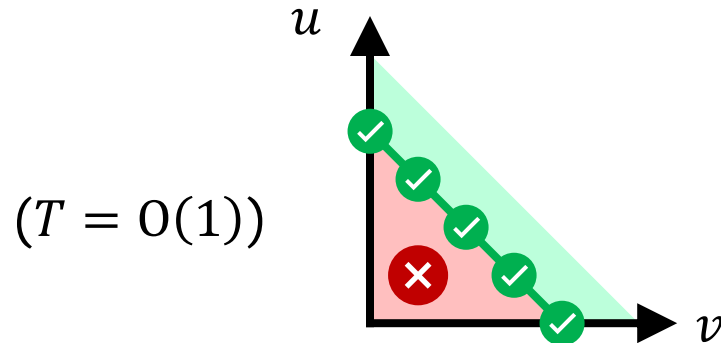
- first such bounds
- **Message.** Maybe succinctness is not worth it
if we must pay dearly for each decryption?

Constructions.

- down-to-constant optimization
- Pareto-optimal

Open Questions from [JLL23, L24]

- fully pin down the Pareto frontier for general T



$$|ct_x| = O(|x|^u)$$
$$T_{\text{Dec}} = O(T + |x|^v + \dots)$$

- Is “ f, x verbatim for free” the correct cost model?

$$\text{Dec}(\text{mpk}, \text{sk}'_f, \text{ct}'_x)$$

from verbatim-for-free model. $\text{ct}'_x = (x, \text{ct}_x)$

cannot achieve $T_{\text{Dec}} = O(T)$ with $|\text{ct}'_x| = |x| + O(1)$.

other implementation achieving the goal? (ct'_x encoding x in some clever way)

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