

CS409m: Introduction to Cryptography

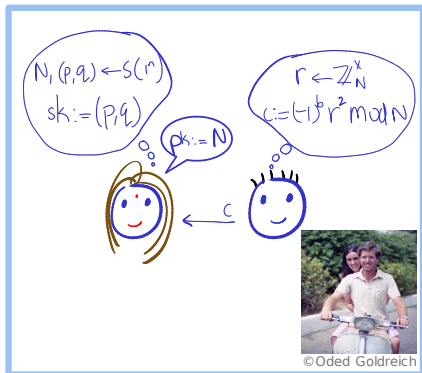
Lecture 15 (08/Oct/25)

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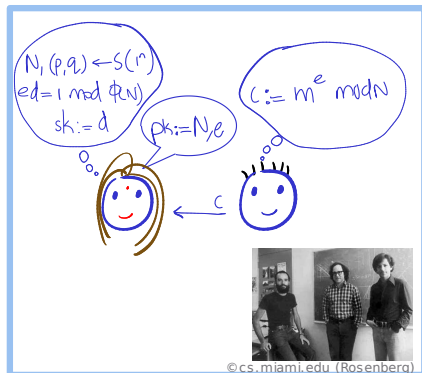
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Goldwasser-Micali PKE



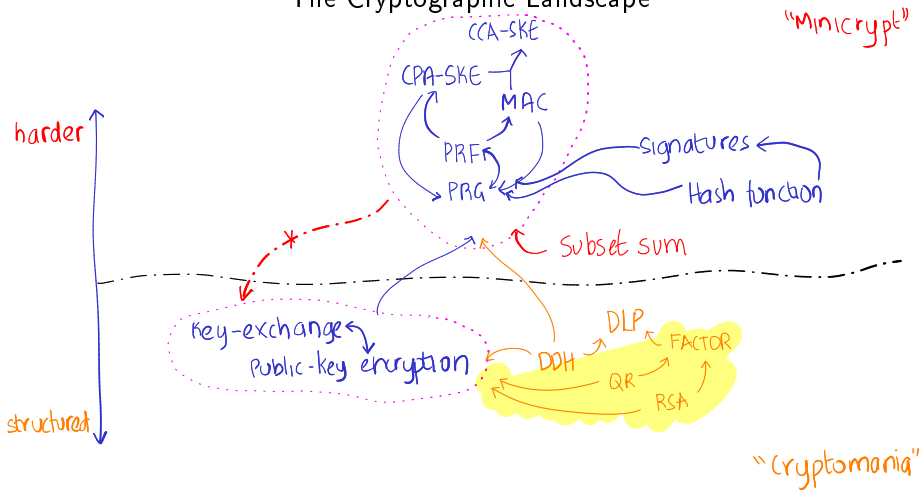
RSA PKE



Algebraic setting: multiplication modulo *semiprime* (RSA group)

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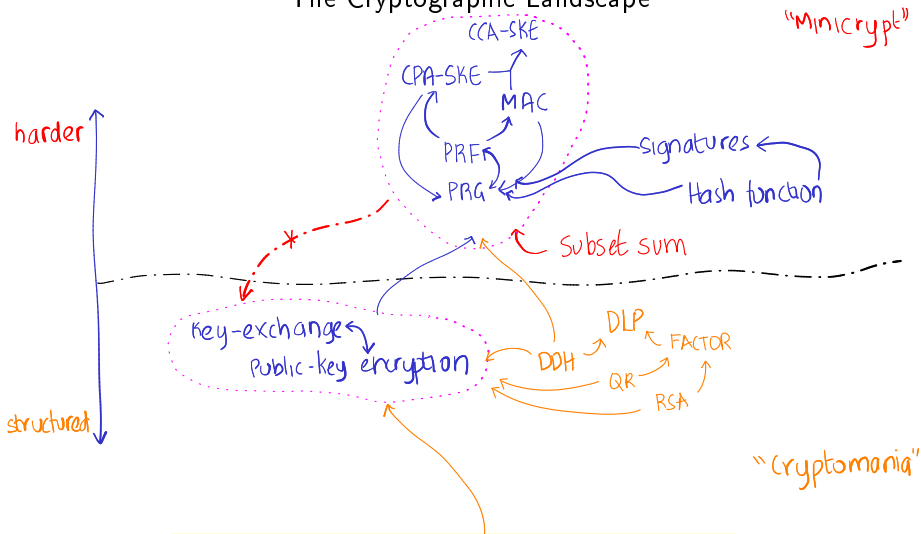
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Hardness assumptions: integer factoring, QR and RSA

Other Algebraic Settings

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Elliptic curves, lattices, isogenies, class groups...

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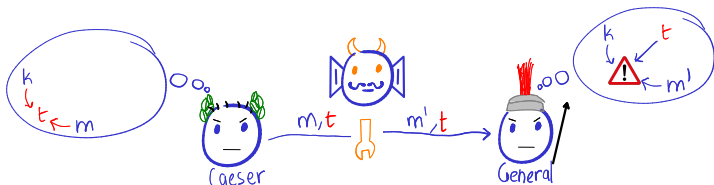


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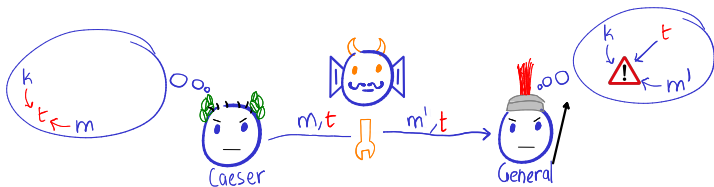
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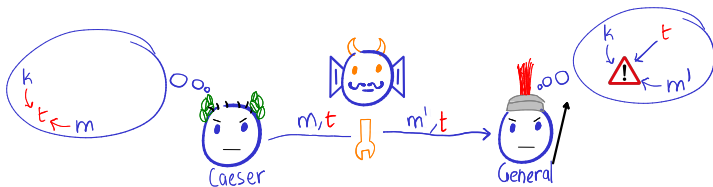
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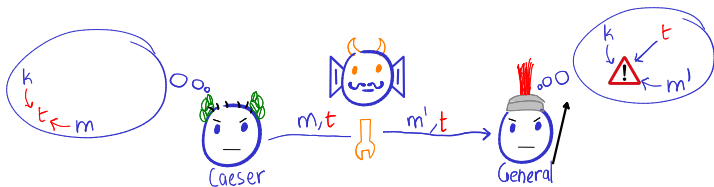


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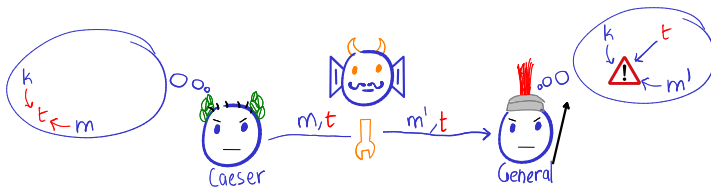


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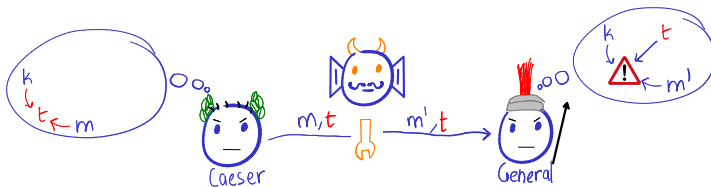


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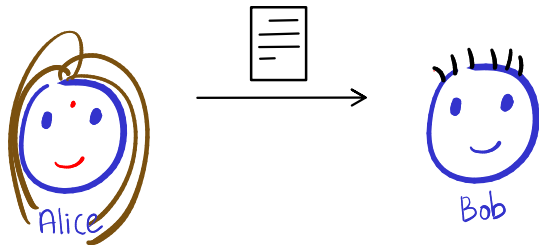
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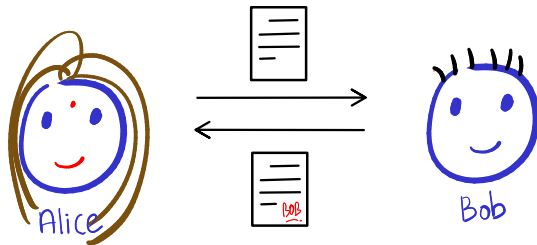
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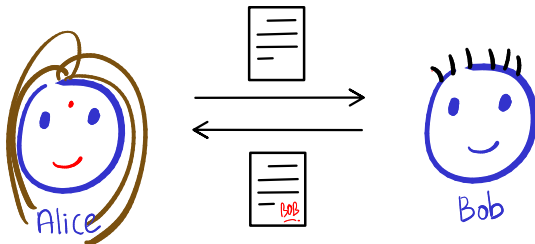
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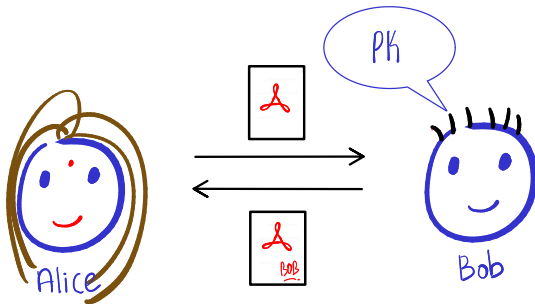
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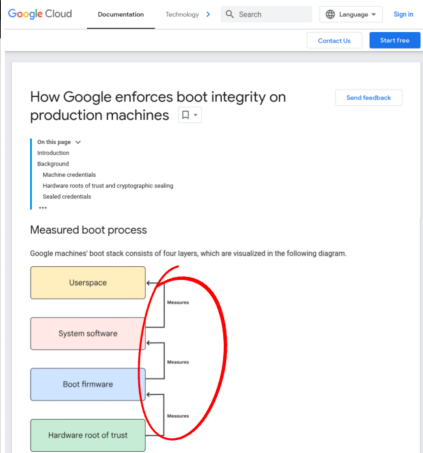
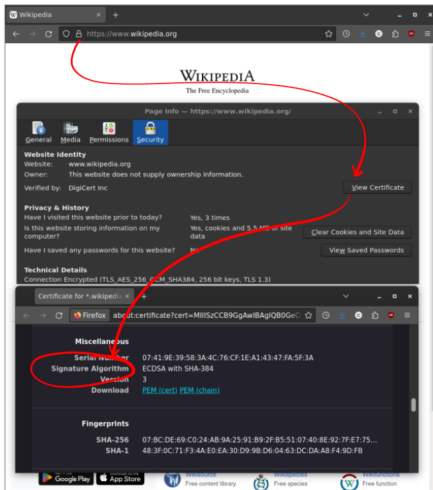
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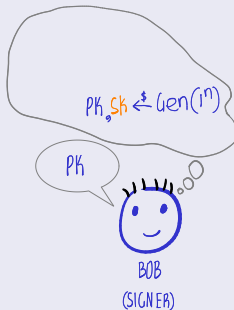


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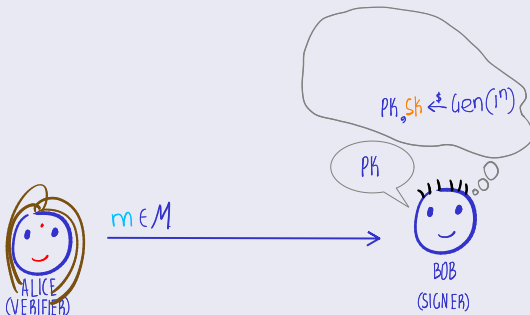


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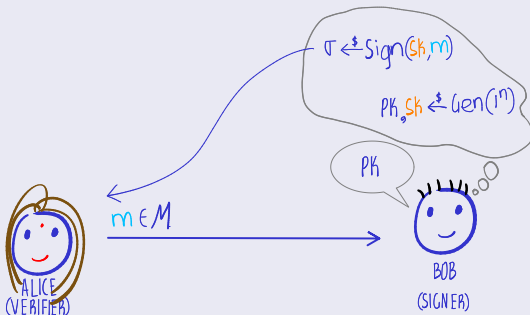


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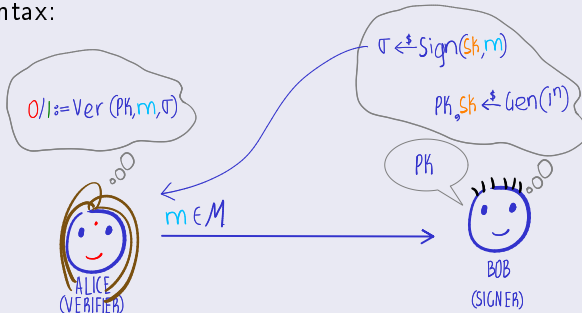


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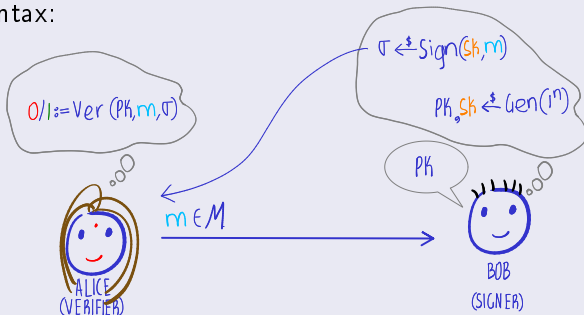


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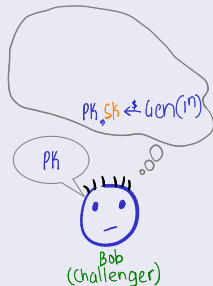
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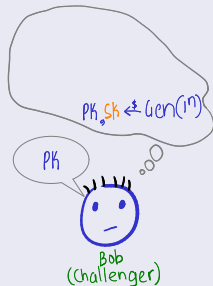


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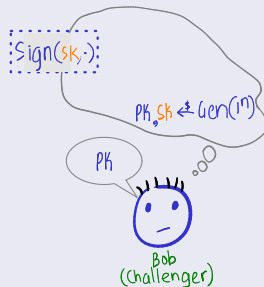


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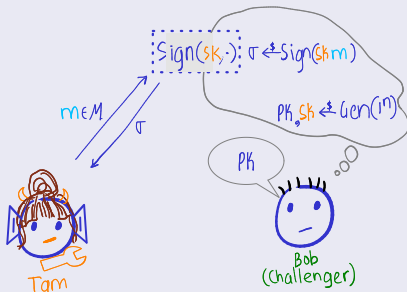


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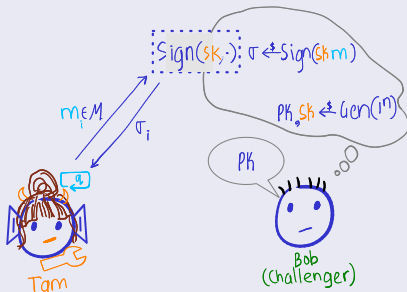


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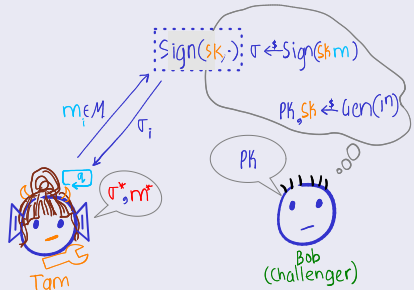
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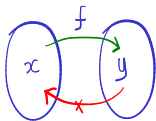
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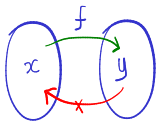
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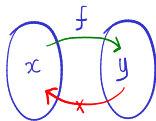
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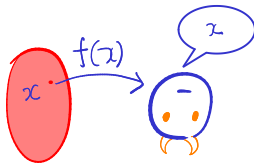
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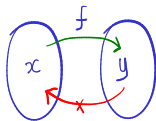
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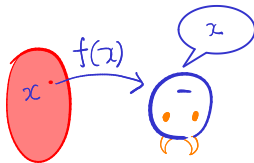
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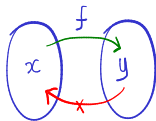
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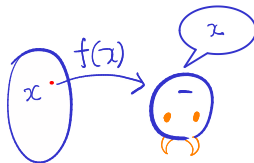
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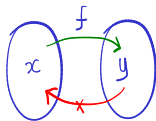
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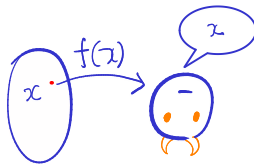
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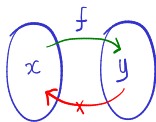
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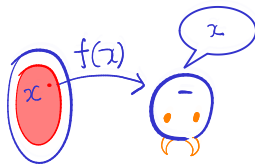
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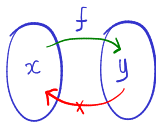
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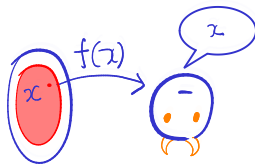
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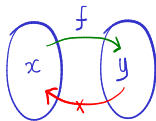
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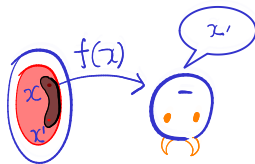
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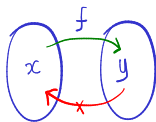
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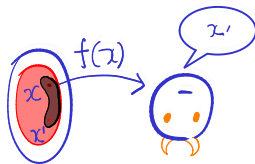
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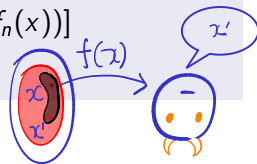
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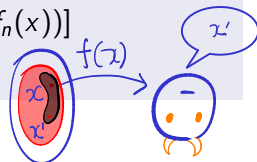
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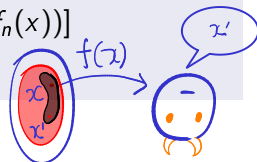
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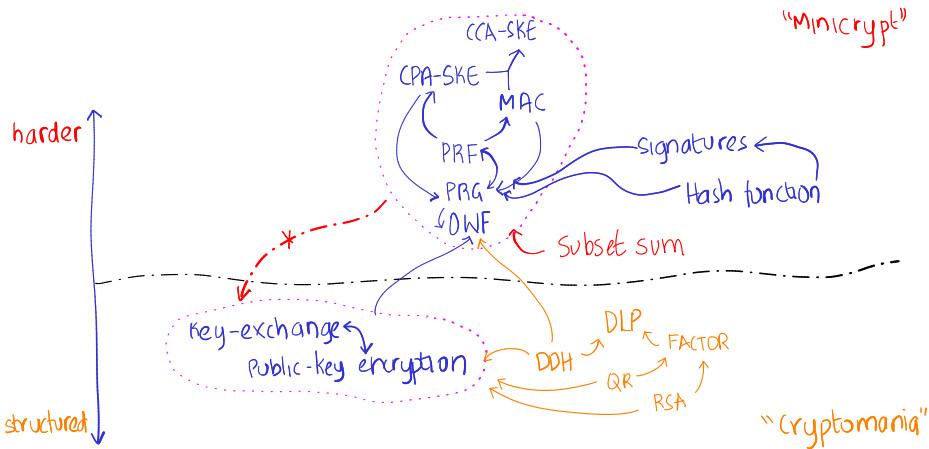
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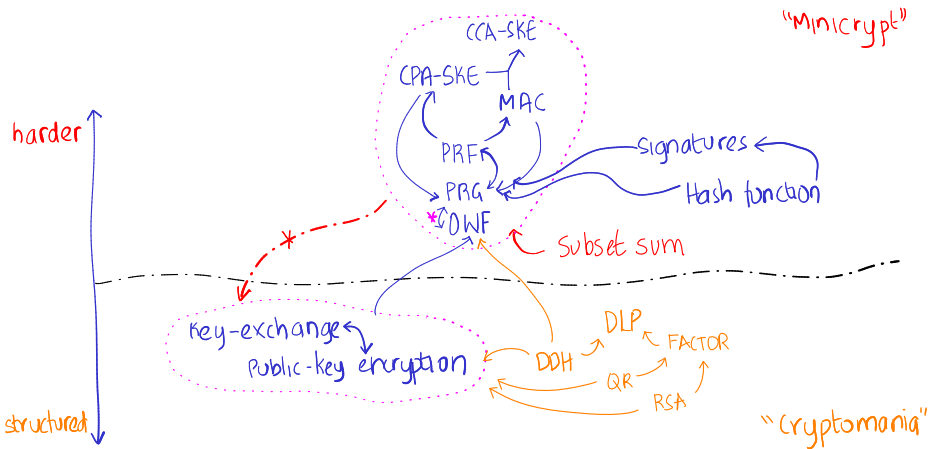
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Digital Signature



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★ Proof technique: plug and pray ★

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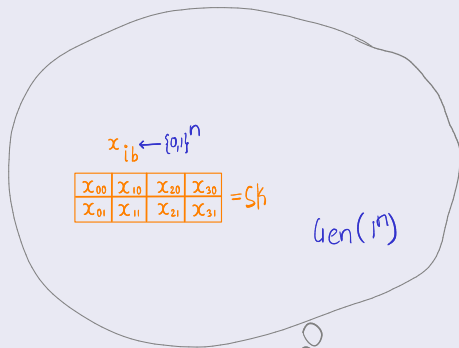
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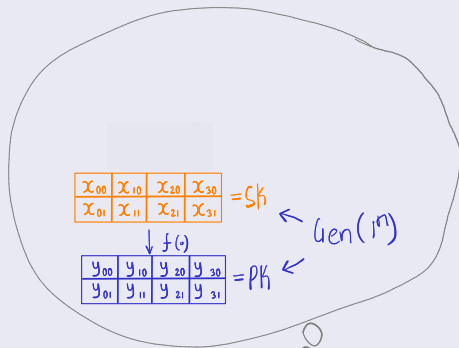


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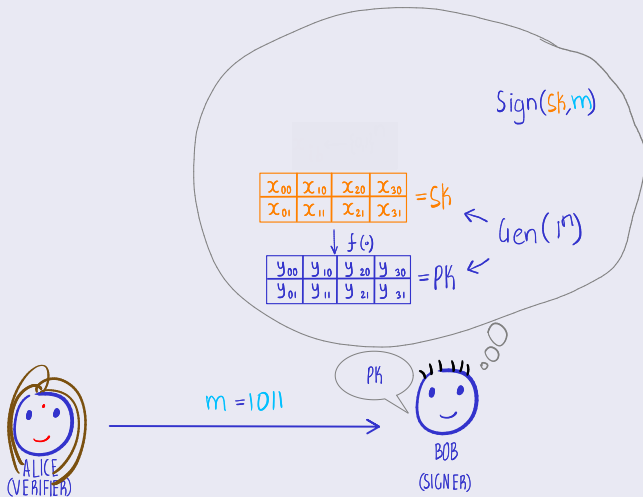
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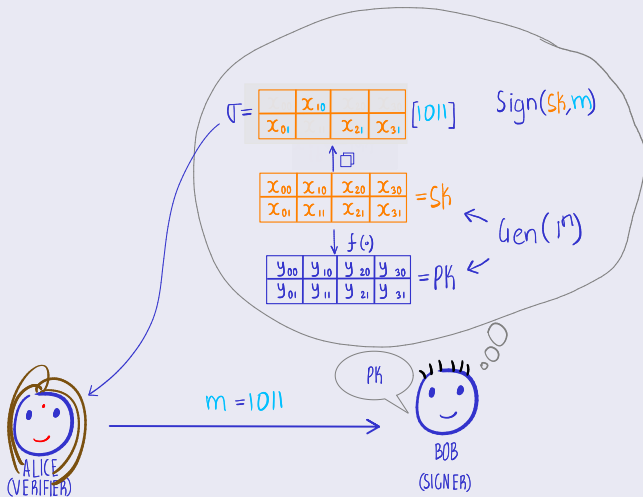
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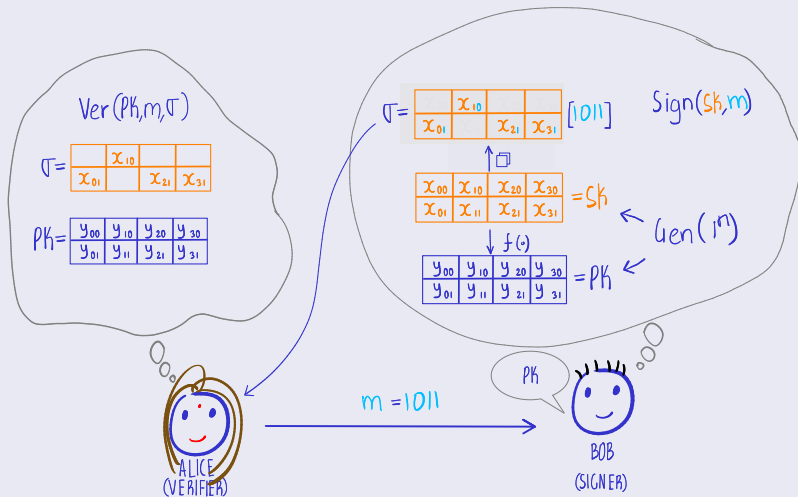
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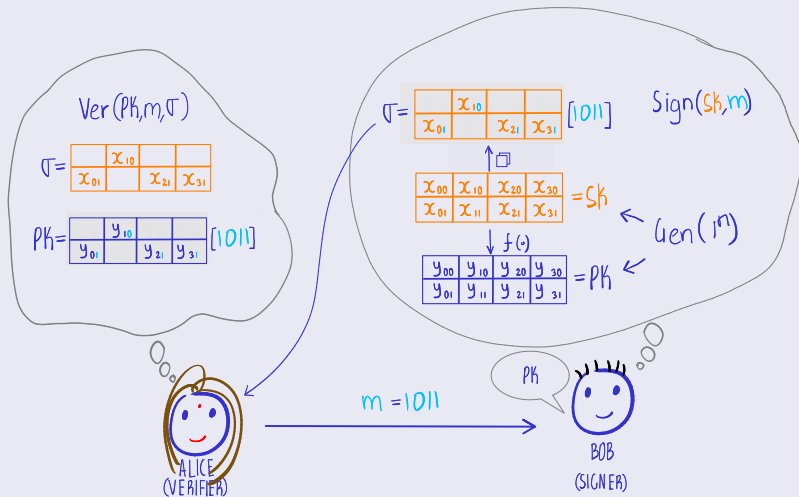
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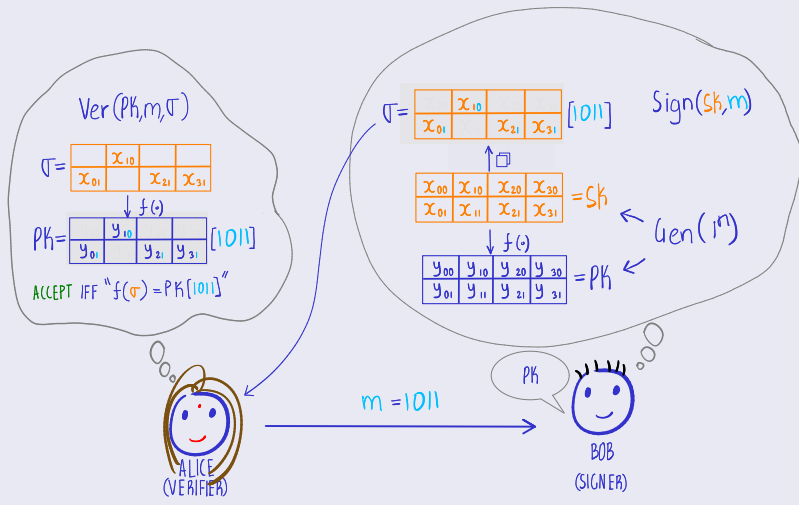
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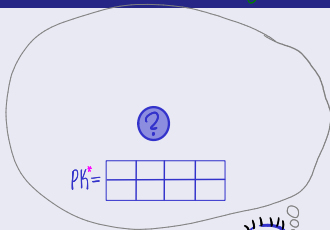


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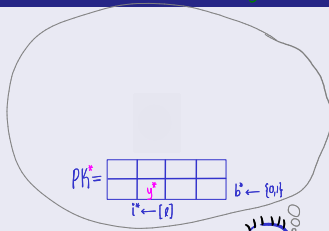


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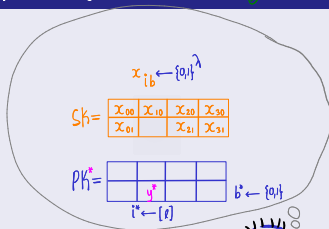


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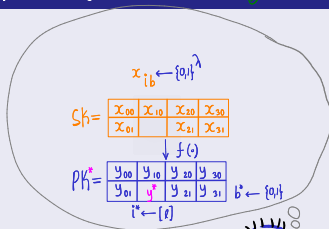


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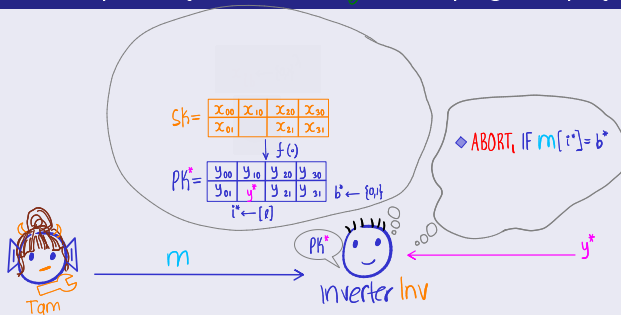


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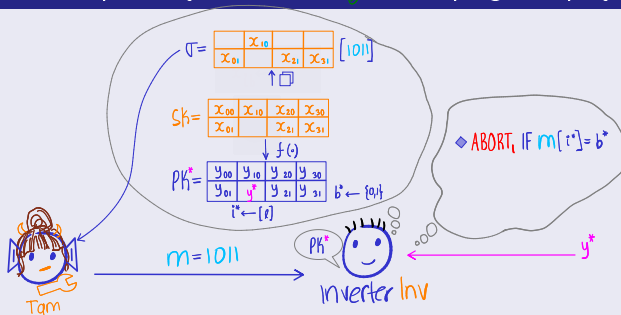


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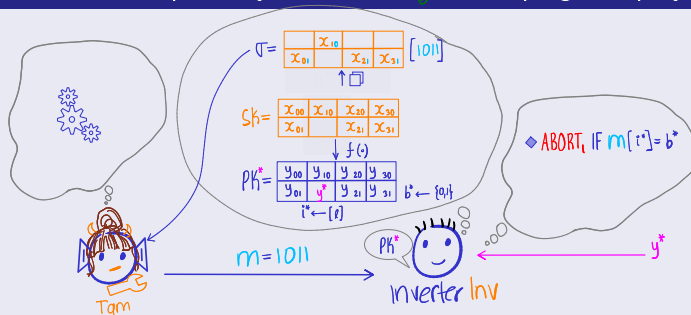


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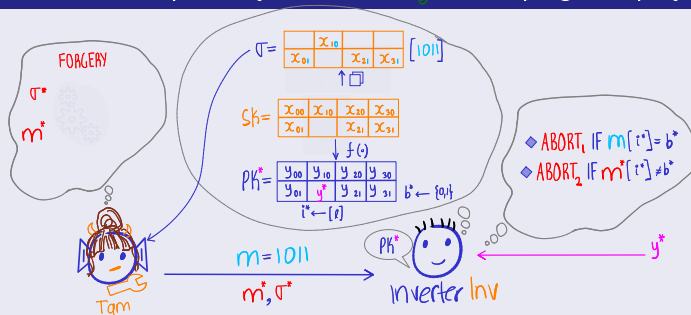


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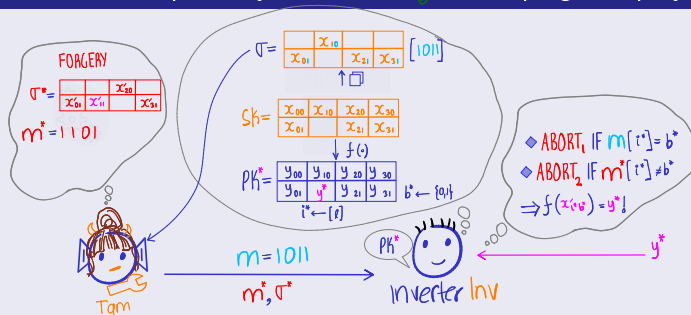


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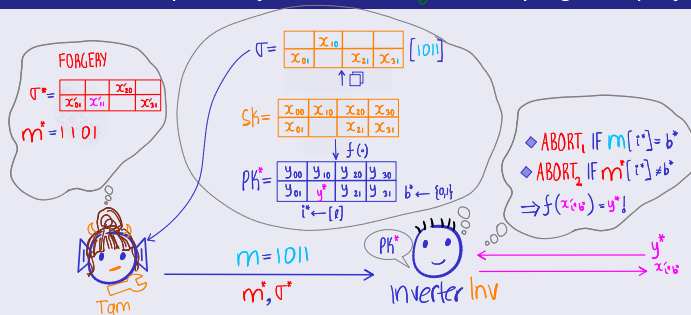


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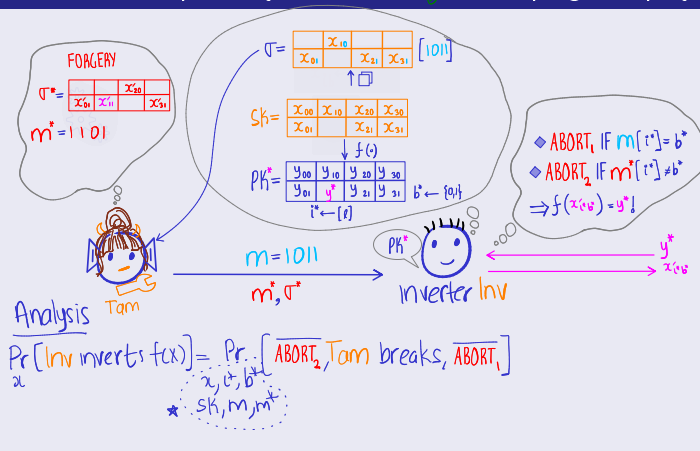


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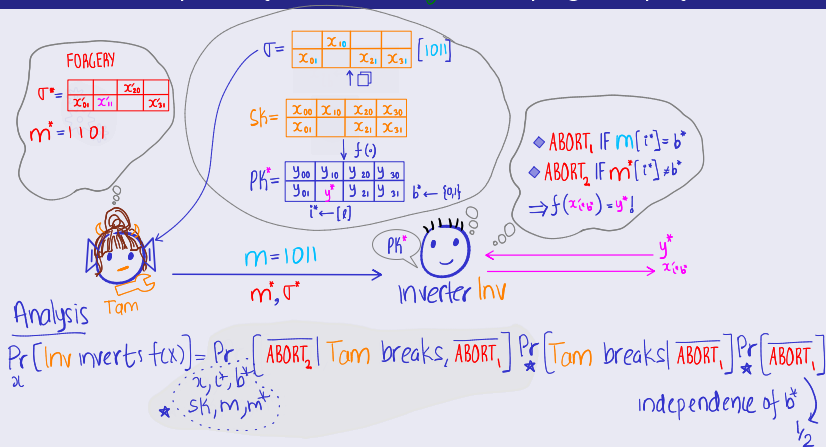


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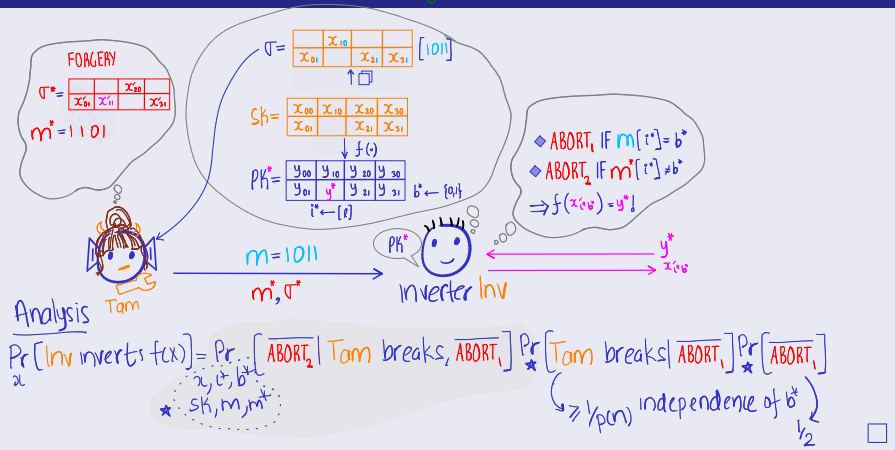


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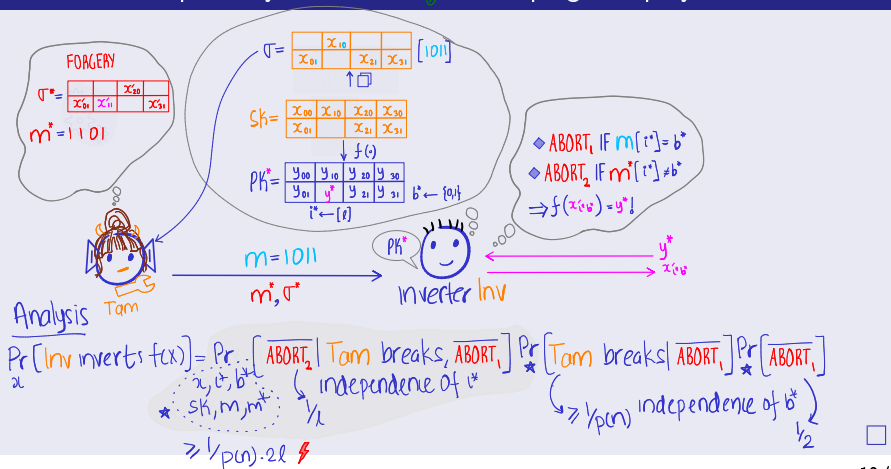


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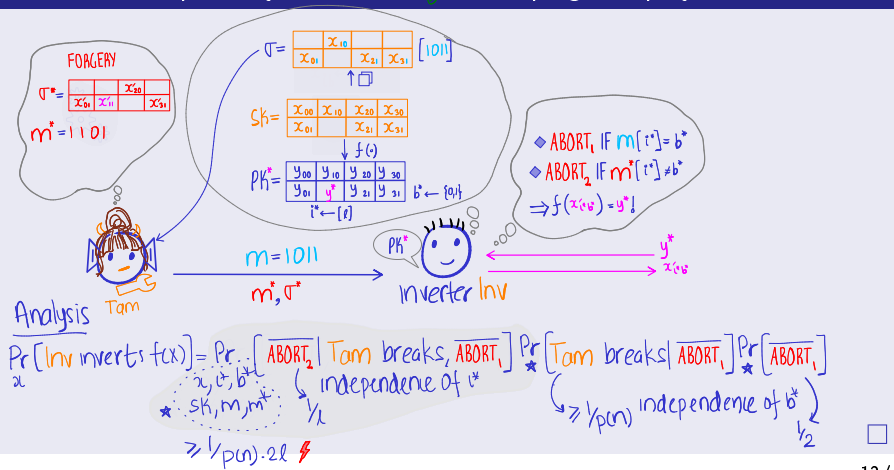
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