



Multi-Key Homomorphic Signatures Unforgeable under Insider Corruption

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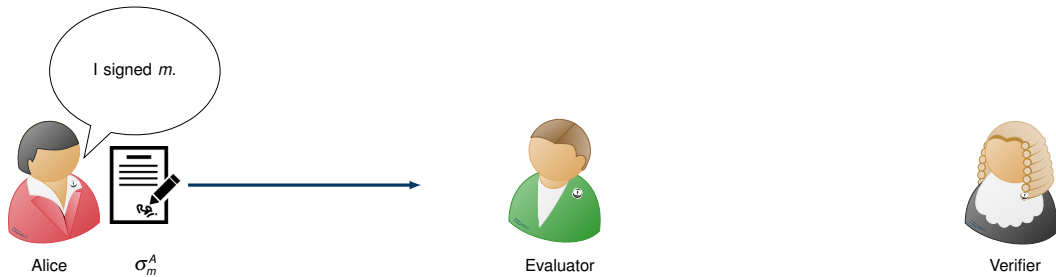
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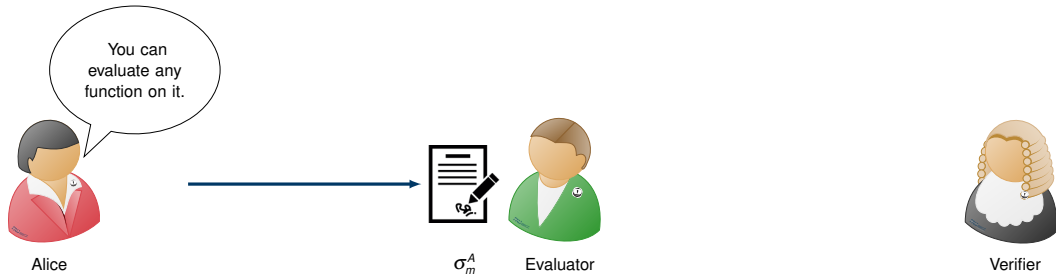
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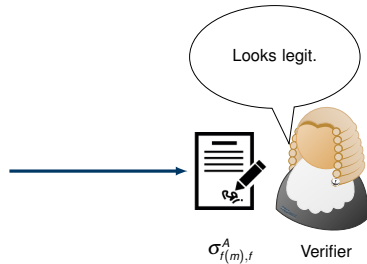
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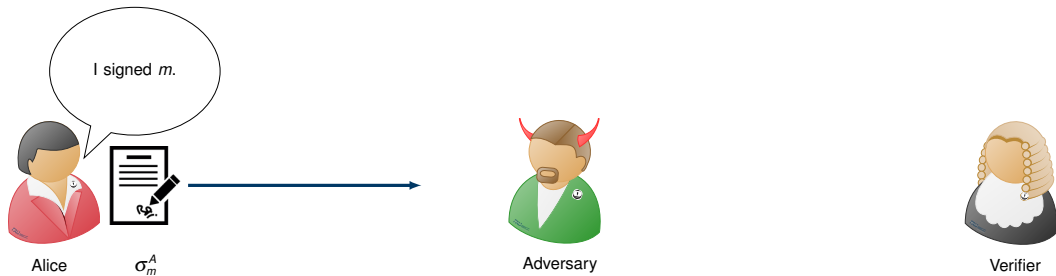
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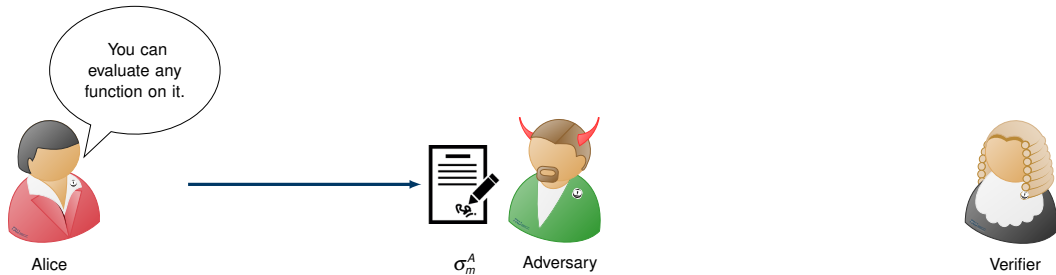
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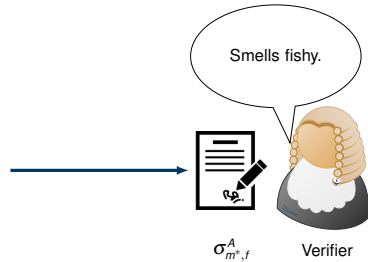
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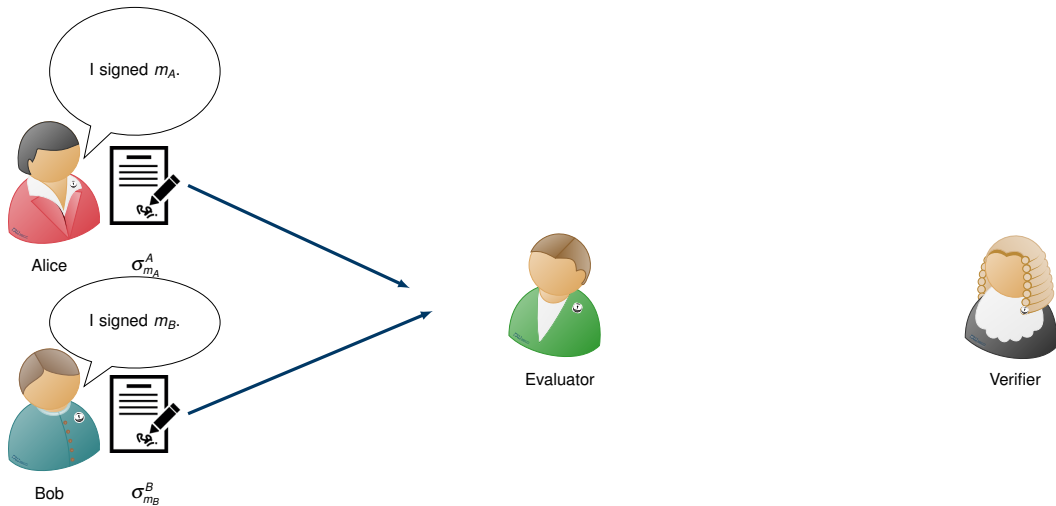
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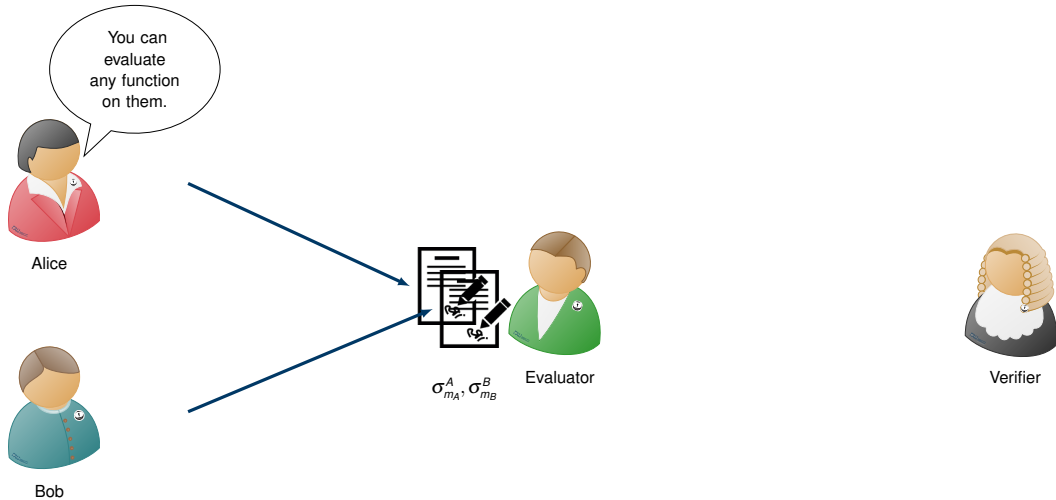
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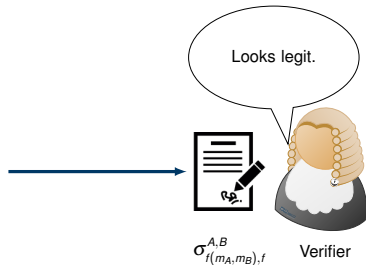
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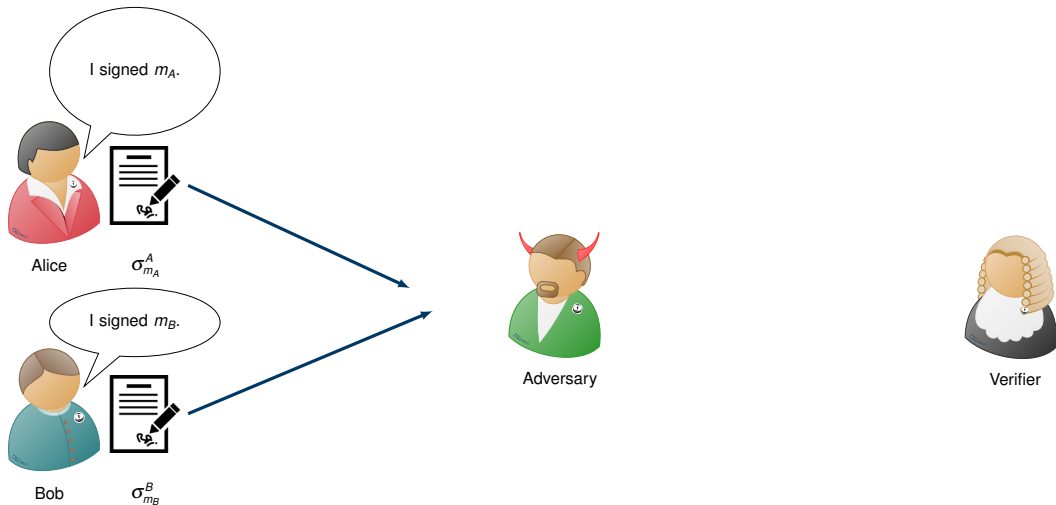
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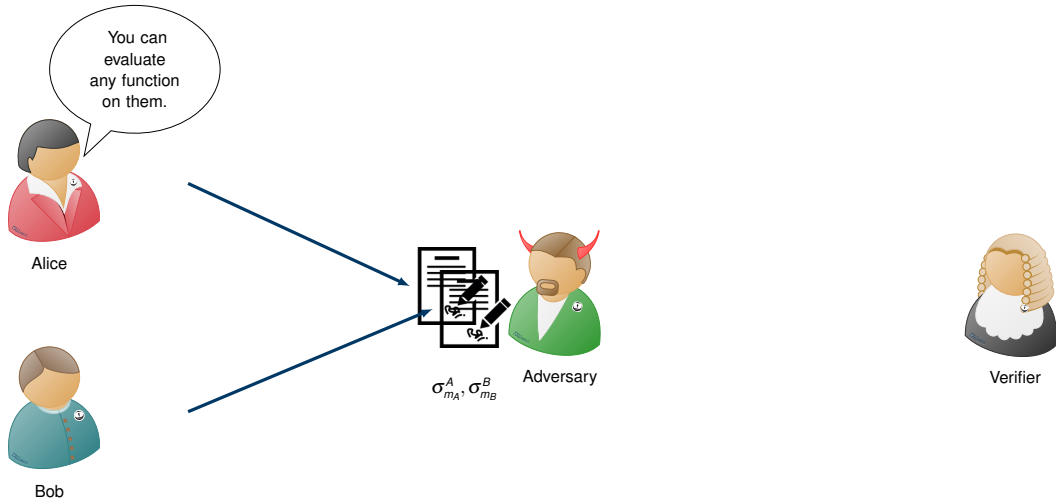
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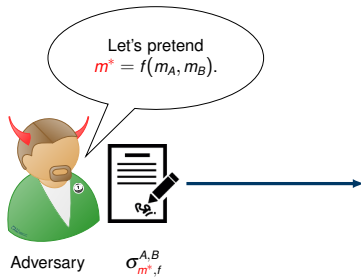
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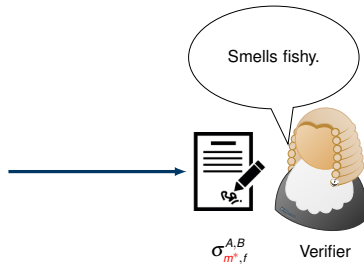
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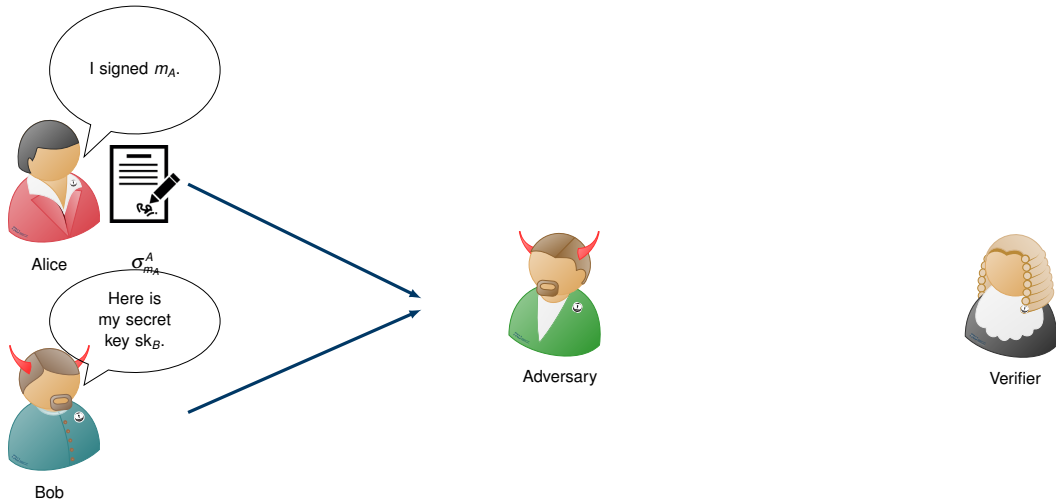
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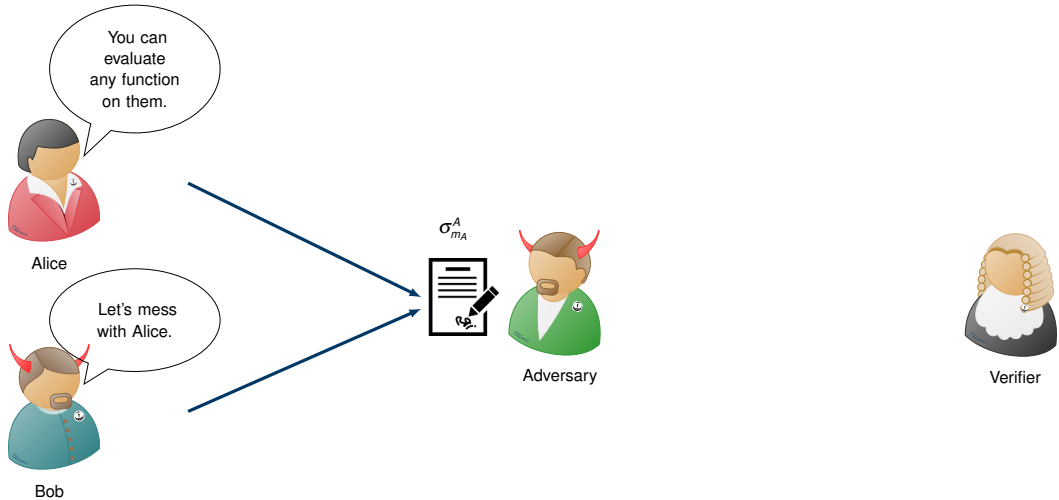
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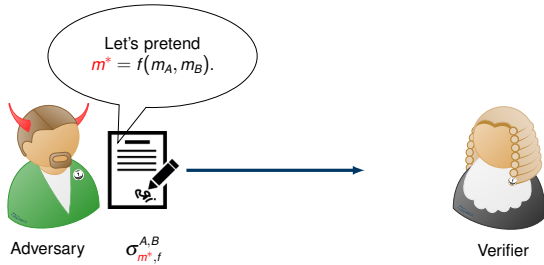
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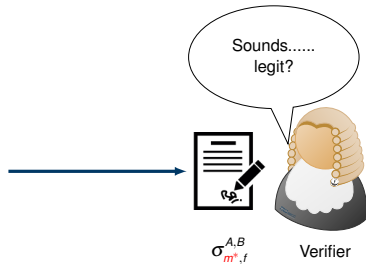
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Remark

- The definition still makes sense even with one key, i.e., $k = 1$.
- It means that even the signer cannot produce $\sigma_{m,f}$ for m not in the range of f .

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- C : Unsatisfiable Boolean circuit
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Other Properties of (Multi-key) Homomorphic Signatures

(Weakly) Context-Hiding $\sigma_{f(m),f}$ reveals nothing about m .

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Preliminary: zk-(O-)SNARG/Ks

Argument systems which allow a prover to prove to the verifier:

There exists a witness w such that the relation $R(x, w) = 1$ holds for the statement x .

zero-knowledge : Proofs reveal nothing about witnesses.

Oracle : Sound even if the prover has access to certain (e.g., signing) oracles.

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Non-Interactive : The prover only sends 1 message to the verifier.

ARGuments : The system is computationally sound.

ARGuments of Knowledge : There exists an extractor which extracts witnesses from provers.

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