

# Fully Homomorphic Encryption over the Integers

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# The Goal

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I want to delegate processing of my data,  
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# Application: Cloud Computing

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I want to delegate processing of my data, without giving away access to it.

- ❑ Storing my files on the cloud
    - Encrypt them to protect my information
    - Later, I want to retrieve the files containing “cloud” within 5 words of “computing”.
      - Cloud should return only these (encrypted) files, without knowing the key
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# Computing on Encrypted Data

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- ❑ Separating processing from access via encryption:
    - I will encrypt my stuff before sending it to the cloud
    - They will apply their processing on the encrypted data, send me back the processed result
    - I will decrypt the result and get my answer
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# Application: Private Google Search

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I want to delegate processing of my data, without giving away access to it.

- ❑ Private Internet search
    - Encrypt my query, send to Google
      - Google cannot “see” my query, since it does not know my key
    - I still want to get the same results
      - Results would be encrypted too
  - ❑ Privacy combo: Encrypted query on encrypted data
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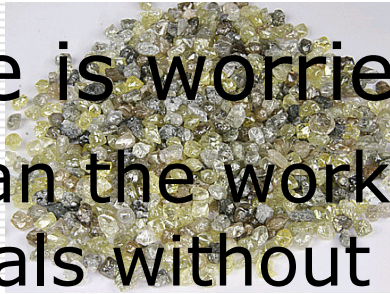
# An Analogy: Alice's Jewelry Store

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❑ Alice's workers need to assemble raw materials into jewelry

❑ But Alice is worried about theft

How can the workers process the raw materials without having access to them?



# An Analogy: Alice's Jewelry Store

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- ❑ Alice puts materials in locked glove box
  - For which only she has the key
- ❑ Workers assemble jewelry in the box
- ❑ Alice unlocks box to get "results"



# The Analogy

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- ❑ **Encrypt**: putting things inside the box
    - Anyone can do this (imagine a mail-drop)
    - $c_i \leftarrow \text{Enc}(m_i)$
  - ❑ **Decrypt**: Taking things out of the box
    - Only Alice can do it, requires the key
    - $m^* \leftarrow \text{Dec}(c^*)$
  - ❑ **Process**: Assembling the jewelry
    - Anyone can do it, computing on ciphertext
    - $c^* \leftarrow \text{Process}(c_1, \dots, c_n)$
  - ❑  $m^* = \text{Dec}(c^*)$  is “the ring”, made from “raw materials”  $m_i$
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# Public-key Encryption

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- Three procedures: **KeyGen**, **Enc**, **Dec**
    - $(sk, pk) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(\$)$ 
      - Generate random public/secret key-pair
    - $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}_{pk}(m)$ 
      - Encrypt a message with the public key
    - $m \leftarrow \text{Dec}_{sk}(c)$ 
      - Decrypt a ciphertext with the secret key
  
  - E.g., RSA:  $c \leftarrow m^e \bmod N$ ,  $m \leftarrow c^d \bmod N$ 
    - $(N, e)$  public key,  $d$  secret key
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# Homomorphic Public-key Encryption

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□ Another procedure: **Eval** (for Evaluate)

■  $c^* \leftarrow \text{Eval}(\text{pk}, f, c_1, \dots, c_t)$

function

Encryption of  $f(m_1, \dots, m_t)$ .  
I.e.,  $\text{Dec}(\text{sk}, c) = f(m_1, \dots, m_t)$

Encryptions of  
inputs  $m_1, \dots, m_t$  to  $f$

- No info about  $m_1, \dots, m_t, f(m_1, \dots, m_t)$  is leaked
  - $f(m_1, \dots, m_t)$  is the “ring” made from raw materials  $m_1, \dots, m_t$  inside the encryption box
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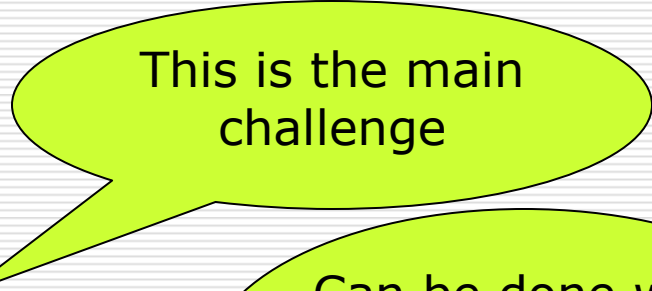
# Can we do it?

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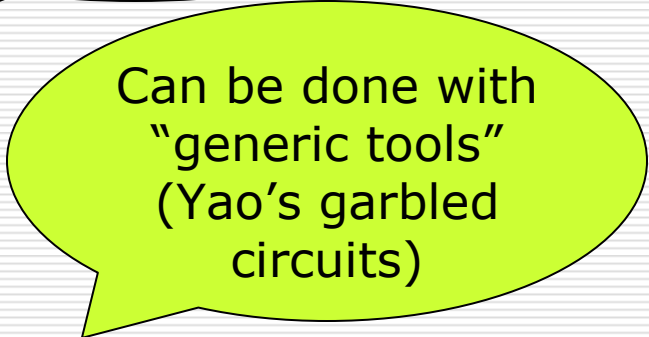
- As described so far, sure..
  - $(\Pi, c_1, \dots, c_n) = c^* \leftarrow \text{Eval}_{pk}(\Pi, c_1, \dots, c_n)$
  - $\text{Dec}_{sk}(c^*)$  decrypts individual  $c_i$ 's, apply  $\Pi$(the workers do nothing, Alice assembles the jewelry by herself)

Of course, this is cheating:

- We want  $c^*$  to remain small
  - independent of the size of  $\Pi$
  - “Compact” homomorphic encryption
- We may also want  $\Pi$  to remain secret



This is the main challenge



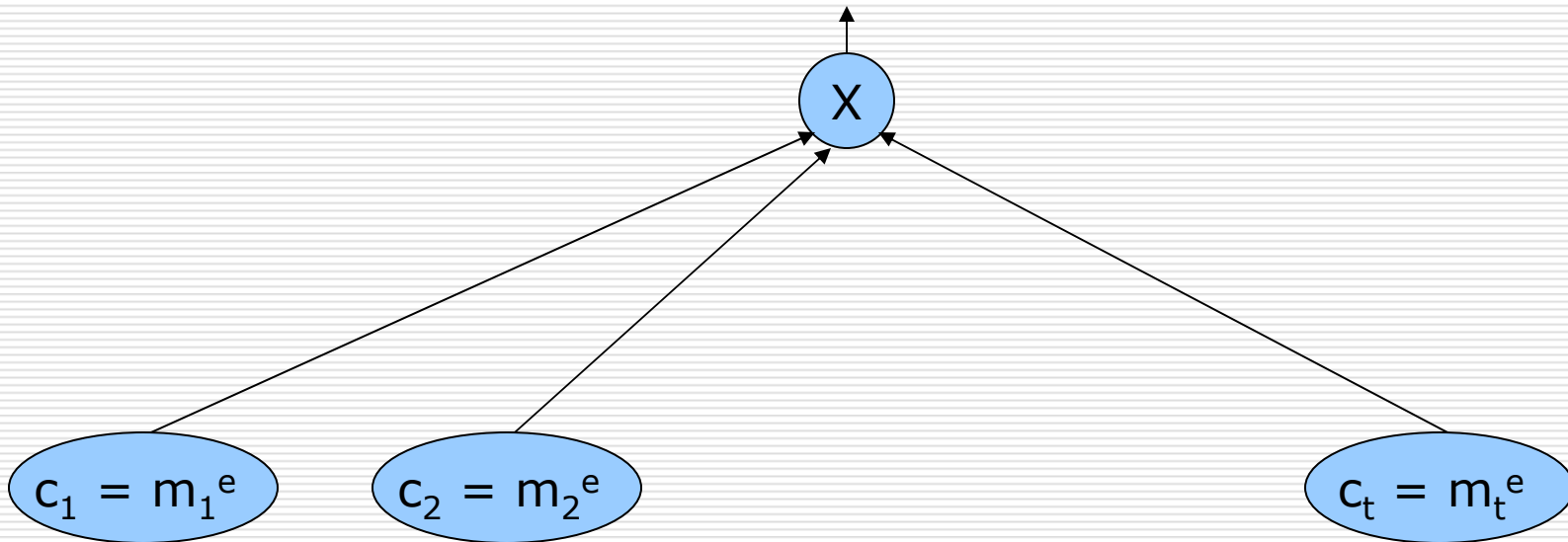
Can be done with “generic tools” (Yao’s garbled circuits)

# Previous Schemes

$$c \leftarrow \text{Eval}(\text{pk}, f, c_1, \dots, c_t),$$
$$\text{Dec}(\text{sk}, c) = f(m_1, \dots, m_t)$$

- ❑ Only “somewhat homomorphic”
  - Can only handle some functions  $f$
- ❑ RSA works for MULT function (mod  $N$ )

$$c = c_1 \times \dots \times c_t = (m_1 \times \dots \times m_t)^e \pmod{N}$$



# “Somewhat Homomorphic” Schemes

- ❑ RSA, ElGamal work for MULT mod N
  - ❑ GoMi, Paillier work for XOR, ADD
  - ❑ BGN05 works for quadratic formulas
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# Schemes with large ciphertext

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- ❑ SYY99 works for shallow fan-in-2 circuits
    - $c^*$  grows exponentially with the depth of  $f$
  - ❑ IsPe07 works for branching program
    - $c^*$  grows with length of program
  - ❑ AMGH08 for low-degree polynomials
    - $c^*$  grows exponentially with degree
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# Connection with 2-party computation

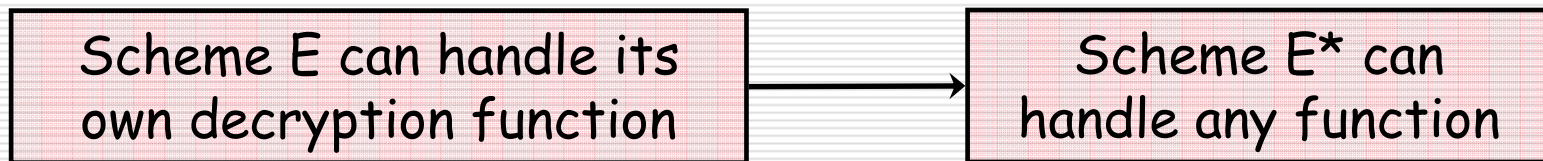
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- Can get “homomorphic encryption” from certain protocols for 2-party secure function evaluation
    - E.g., Yao86
  - But size of  $c^*$ , complexity of decryption, more than complexity of the function  $f$ 
    - Think of Alice assembling the ring herself
  - These are solving a different problem
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# A Recent Breakthrough

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- Gentry09: A bootstrapping technique



- Gentry also described a candidate "bootstrappable" scheme
    - Based on ideal lattices
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# The Current Work

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- A second “bootstrappable” scheme
    - Very simple: using only modular arithmetic
  - Security is based on the hardness of finding “approximate-GCD”
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# Outline

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1. Homomorphic symmetric encryption
  - Very simple
2. Turning it into public-key encryption
  - Result is “almost bootstrappable”
3. Making it bootstrappable
  - Similar to Gentry’09
4. Security
5. Gentry’s bootstrapping technique

As much as  
we have time

Not today

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# A homomorphic symmetric encryption

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- ❑ Shared secret key: odd number  $p$
- ❑ To encrypt a bit  $m$ :
  - Choose at random small  $r$ , large  $q$
  - Output  $c = m + 2r + pq$ 
    - Ciphertext is close to a multiple of  $p$
    - $m = \text{LSB}$  of distance to nearest multiple of  $p$
- ❑ To decrypt  $c$ :
  - Output  $m = (c \bmod p) \bmod 2$ 
    - $m = c - p \cdot [c/p] \bmod 2$
    - $= c - [c/p] \bmod 2$
    - $= \text{LSB}(c) \text{ XOR } \text{LSB}([c/p])$

The "noise"

Noise much smaller than  $p$

# Homomorphic Public-Key Encryption

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- ❑ Secret key is an odd  $p$  as before
- ❑ Public key is many “encryptions of 0”
  - $x_i = [q_i p + 2r_i]_{x_0}$  for  $i=1,2,\dots,t$
- ❑  $Enc_{pk}(m) = [\text{subset-sum}(x_i\text{'s}) + m]_{x_0}$
- ❑  $Dec_{sk}(c) = (c \bmod p) \bmod 2$

# Why is this homomorphic?

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□ Basically because:

- If you add or multiply two near-multiples of  $p$ , you get another near multiple of  $p$ ...

# Why is this homomorphic?

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□  $c_1 = q_1p + 2r_1 + m_1, \quad c_2 = q_2p + 2r_2 + m_2$

□  $c_1 + c_2 = (q_1 + q_2)p + 2(r_1 + r_2) + (m_1 + m_2)$

Distance to nearest multiple of p

■  $2(r_1 + r_2) + (m_1 + m_2)$  still much smaller than p

→  $c_1 + c_2 \pmod p = 2(r_1 + r_2) + (m_1 + m_2)$

□  $c_1 \times c_2 = (c_1q_2 + q_1c_2 - q_1q_2)p$   
+  $2(2r_1r_2 + r_1m_2 + m_1r_2) + m_1m_2$

■  $2(2r_1r_2 + \dots)$  still much smaller than p

→  $c_1 \times c_2 \pmod p = 2(2r_1r_2 + \dots) + m_1m_2$

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# Why is this homomorphic?

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- $c_1 = m_1 + 2r_1 + q_1p, \dots, c_t = m_t + 2r_t + q_t p$
- Let  $f$  be a multivariate poly with integer coefficients (sequence of +’s and x’s)
- Let  $c = \text{Eval}_{pk}(f, c_1, \dots, c_t) = f(c_1, \dots, c_t)$ 
  - Suppose this noise is much smaller than  $p$
  - $f(c_1, \dots, c_t) = f(m_1 + 2r_1, \dots, m_t + 2r_t) + qp$   
 $= f(m_1, \dots, m_t) + 2r + qp$
  - Then  $(c \bmod p) \bmod 2 = f(m_1, \dots, m_t) \bmod 2$

That’s what we want!

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# How homomorphic is this?

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- Can keep adding and multiplying until the “noise term” grows larger than  $p/2$ 
    - Noise doubles on addition, squares on multiplication
    - Multiplying  $d$  ciphertexts  $\rightarrow$  noise of size  $\sim 2^{dn}$
  - We choose  $r \sim 2^n$ ,  $p \sim 2^{n^2}$  (and  $q \sim 2^{n^5}$ )
    - Can compute polynomials of degree  $n$  before the noise grows too large
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# Keeping it small

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- The ciphertext's bit-length doubles with every multiplication
    - The original ciphertext already has  $n^6$  bits
    - After  $\sim \log n$  multiplications we get  $\sim n^7$  bits
  - We can keep the bit-length at  $n^6$  by adding more "encryption of zero"
    - $|y_1| = n^6 + 1, |y_2| = n^6 + 2, \dots, |y_m| = 2n^6$
    - Whenever the ciphertext length grows, set  $c' = c \bmod y_m \bmod y_{m-1} \dots \bmod y_1$
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# Bootstrappable yet?

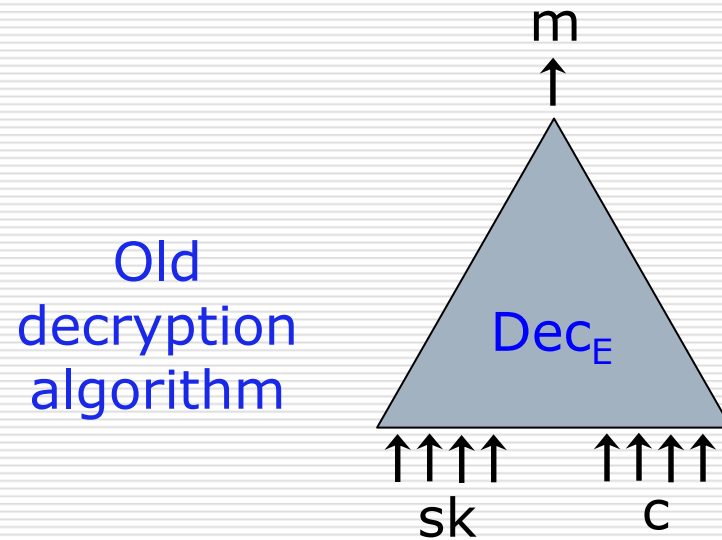
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- ❑ Almost, but not quite:
- ❑ Decryption is  $m = \text{LSB}(c) \oplus \text{LSB}([c/p])$ 
  - Computing  $[c/p]$  takes degree  $O(n)$
  - But  $O()$  is more than one (maybe 7??)
    - Integer  $c$  has  $\sim n^5$  bits
  - Our scheme only supports degree  $\leq n$
- ❑ To get a bootstrappable scheme, use Gentry09 technique to “squash the decryption circuit” 

$c/p$ , rounded to nearest integer

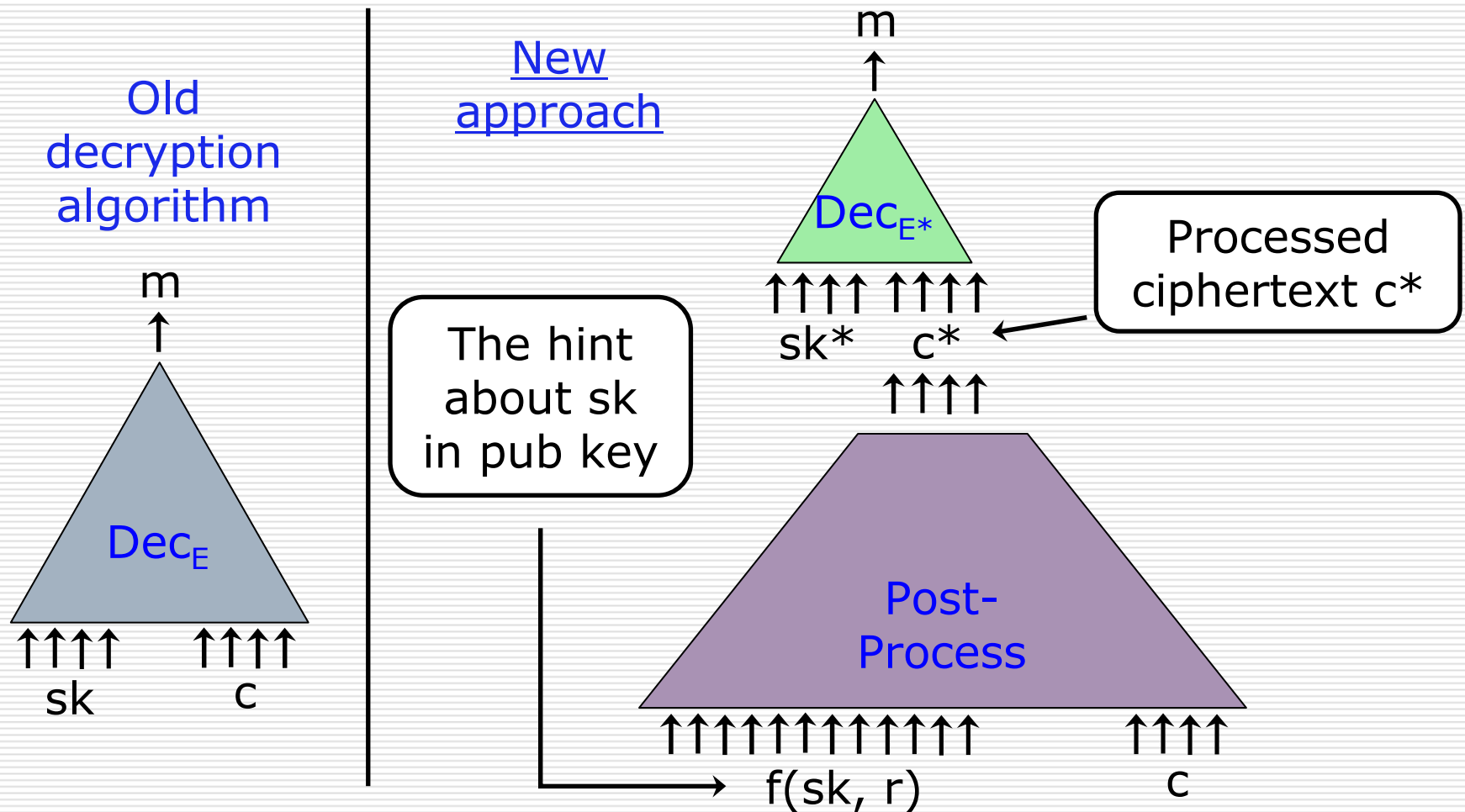
# How do we “simplify” decryption?

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- ❑ Idea: Add to public key another “hint” about  $sk$ 
    - Of course, hint should not break secrecy of encryption
  - ❑ With hint, anyone can post-process the ciphertext, leaving less work for  $Dec_{E^*}$  to do
  - ❑ This idea is used in server-aided cryptography.
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Hint in pub key lets anyone post-process the ciphertext, leaving less work for  $Dec_{E^*}$  to do.

# Squashing the decryption circuit

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- Add to public key many real numbers
    - $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_t \in [0, 2]$  (with “sufficient precision”)
    - $\exists$  sparse set  $S$  for which  $\sum_{i \in S} d_i = 1/p \pmod{2}$
  - **Enc, Eval** output  $\psi_i = c \times d_i \pmod{2}$ ,  $i=1, \dots, t$ 
    - Together with  $c$  itself
  - New secret key is bit-vector  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_t$ 
    - $\sigma_i = 1$  if  $i \in S$ ,  $\sigma_i = 0$  otherwise
  - New **Dec**( $c$ ) is  $c - [\sum_i \sigma_i \psi_i] \pmod{2}$ 
    - Can be computed with a “low-degree circuit” because  $S$  is sparse
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# A Different Way to Add Numbers

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$$\square \text{Dec}_{E^*}(s,c) = \text{LSB}(c) \text{ XOR } \text{LSB}([\Sigma_i \overbrace{\sigma_i \psi_i}^{a_i}])$$

$a_i$ 's in binary representation

$a_{1,0}$	$a_{1,-1}$	...	$a_{1,-\log t}$
$a_{2,0}$	$a_{2,-1}$	...	$a_{2,-\log t}$
$a_{3,0}$	$a_{3,-1}$	...	$a_{3,-\log t}$
$a_{4,0}$	$a_{4,-1}$	...	$a_{4,-\log t}$
$a_{5,0}$	$a_{5,-1}$	...	$a_{5,-\log t}$
...	...	...	...
$a_{t,0}$	$a_{t,-1}$	...	$a_{t,-\log t}$

Our problem:  $t$  is large (e.g.  $n^6$ )

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# A Different Way to Add Numbers

Let  $b_0$  be the binary rep of Hamming weight

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$a_{4,0}$	$a_{4,-1}$	...	$a_{4,-\log t}$
$a_{5,0}$	$a_{5,-1}$	...	$a_{5,-\log t}$
...	...	...	...
$a_{t,0}$	$a_{t,-1}$	...	$a_{t,-\log t}$

$b_{0,\log t}$	...	$b_{0,1}$	$b_{0,0}$			

# A Different Way to Add Numbers

Let  $b_{-1}$  be the binary rep of Hamming weight

$a_{1,0}$	$a_{1,-1}$	...	$a_{1,-\log t}$
$a_{2,0}$	$a_{2,-1}$	...	$a_{2,-\log t}$
$a_{3,0}$	$a_{3,-1}$	...	$a_{3,-\log t}$
$a_{4,0}$	$a_{4,-1}$	...	$a_{4,-\log t}$
$a_{5,0}$	$a_{5,-1}$	...	$a_{5,-\log t}$
...	...	...	...
$a_{t,0}$	$a_{t,-1}$	...	$a_{n,-\log t}$

$b_{0,\log t}$	...	$b_{0,1}$	$b_{0,0}$			
	$b_{-1,\log t}$	...	$b_{-1,1}$	$b_{-1,0}$		



# A Different Way to Add Numbers

Let  $b_{-\log t}$  be the binary rep of Hamming weight

$a_{1,0}$	$a_{1,-1}$	...	$a_{1,-\log t}$
$a_{2,0}$	$a_{2,-1}$	...	$a_{2,-\log t}$
$a_{3,0}$	$a_{3,-1}$	...	$a_{3,-\log t}$
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$a_{5,0}$	$a_{5,-1}$	...	$a_{5,-\log t}$
...	...	...	...
$a_{t,0}$	$a_{t,-1}$	...	$a_{t,-\log t}$

$b_{0,\log t}$	...	$b_{0,1}$	$b_{0,0}$			
	$b_{-1,\log t}$	...	$b_{-1,1}$	$b_{-1,0}$		
		...	...	...	...	
			$b_{-\log t,\log t}$	...	$b_{-\log t,1}$	$b_{-\log t,0}$

# A Different Way to Add Numbers

Only  $\log t$  numbers with  $\log t$  bits of precision. Easy to handle.

$a_{1,0}$	$a_{1,-1}$	...	$a_{1,-\log t}$
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$b_{0,\log t}$	...	$b_{0,1}$	$b_{0,0}$			
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		...	...	...	...	
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# Computing Sparse Hamming Wgt.

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0	0	...	0
...	...	...	...
$a_{t,0}$	$a_{t,-1}$	...	$a_{t,-\log t}$

# Computing Sparse Hamming Wgt.


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- Binary representation of the Hamming weight of  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_t) \in \{0, 1\}^t$ 
  - The  $i$ 'th bit of  $\text{HW}(\mathbf{a})$  is  $e_{2^i}(\mathbf{a}) \bmod 2$
  - $e_k$  is elementary symmetric poly of degree  $k$ 
    - Sum of all products of  $k$  bits
- We know *a priori* that weight  $\leq |S|$ 
  - $\rightarrow$  Only need upto  $e_{2^{\lceil \log |S| \rceil}}(\mathbf{a})$
  - $\rightarrow$  Polynomials of degree upto  $|S|$
- Set  $|S| \sim n$ , then  $E^*$  is bootstrappable.



# Security

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- The approximate-GCD problem:
    - Input: integers  $w_0, w_1, \dots, w_t$ 
      - Chosen as  $w_i = q_i p + r_i$  for a secret odd  $p$
      - $p \in_{\$} [0, P], q_i \in_{\$} [0, Q], r_i \in_{\$} [0, R]$  (with  $R \ll P \ll Q$ )
    - Task: find  $p$
  - Thm: If we can distinguish  $\text{Enc}(0)/\text{Enc}(1)$  for some  $p$ , then we can find that  $p$ 
    - Roughly: the LSB of  $r_i$  is a “hard core bit” 
    - ➔ Scheme is secure if approx-GCD is hard
  - Is approx-GCD really a hard problem?
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# Hard-core-bit theorem

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## A. The approximate-GCD problem:

- Input:  $w_i = q_i p + r_i$  ( $i=0, \dots, t$ )
  - $p \in_{\$} [0, P]$ ,  $q_i \in_{\$} [0, Q]$ ,  $r_i \in_{\$} [0, R']$  (with  $R' \ll P \ll Q$ )
- Task: find  $p$

## B. The cryptosystem

- Input:  $x_i = q_i p + 2r_i$  ( $i=0, \dots, t$ ),  $c = qp + 2r + m$ 
  - $p \in_{\$} [0, P]$ ,  $q_i \in_{\$} [0, Q]$ ,  $r_i \in_{\$} [0, R]$  (with  $R \ll P \ll Q$ )
- Task: distinguish  $m=0$  from  $m=1$

□ Thm: Solution to B  $\rightarrow$  solution to A

- small caveat:  $R'$  smaller than  $R$
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# Proof outline

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- Input:  $w_i = q_i p + r_i$  ( $i=1, \dots, t$ )
  - Use the  $w_i$ 's to form a public key
    - This is where we need  $R' > R$
  - Amplify the distinguishing advantage
    - From any noticeable  $\varepsilon$  to almost 1
  - Use reliable distinguisher to learn  $q_t$ 
    - Using the binary GCD procedure
  - Finally  $p = \text{round}(w_t/q_t)$
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# Use the $w_i$ 's to form a public key

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- We have  $w_i = q_i p + r_i$ , need  $x_i = q_i' p + 2r_i'$ 
    - Setting  $x_i = 2w_i$  yields wrong distribution
  - Reorder  $w_i$ 's so  $w_0$  is the largest one
    - Check that  $w_0$  is odd, else abort
    - Also hope that  $q_0$  is odd (else may fail to find  $p$ )
      - $w_0$  odd,  $q_0$  odd  $\rightarrow r_0$  is even
  - $x_0 = w_0 + 2\rho_0$ ,  $x_i = (2w_i + 2\rho_i) \bmod w_0$  for  $i > 0$ 
    - The  $\rho_i$ 's are random  $< R$
  - Correctness:
    1.  $r_i + \rho_i$  distributed almost identically to  $\rho_i$ 
      - Since  $R > R'$  by a super-polynomial factor
    2.  $2q_i \bmod q_0$  is random in  $[q_0]$
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# Amplify the distinguishing advantage

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- Given an integer  $z = qp + r$ , with  $r < R'$ :  
Set  $c = [z + m + 2\rho + \text{subset-sum}(x_i\text{'s})] \bmod x_0$ 
    - For random  $\rho < R$ , random bit  $m$
  - $c$  is a random ciphertext wrt the  $x_i$ 's
    - $\rho > r_i$ 's, so  $\rho + r_i$ 's distributed like  $\rho$
    - $(\text{subset-sum}(q_i)\text{'s} \bmod q_0)$  random in  $[q_0]$
  - $c \bmod p \bmod 2 = r + m \bmod 2$ 
    - A guess for  $c \bmod p \bmod 2 \rightarrow$  vote for  $r \bmod 2$
  - Choose many random  $c$ 's, take majority
    - Noticeable advantage  $\rightarrow$  Reliable  $r \bmod 2$
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# Use reliable distinguisher to learn $q_t'$

- From  $z = qp + r$ , can get  $r \bmod 2$ 
  - Note:  $z = q + r \bmod 2$  (since  $p$  is odd)
  - So  $(q \bmod 2) = (r \bmod 2) \oplus (z \bmod 2)$

- Given  $z_1, z_2$ , both near multiples of  $p$

Binary-GCD

- Get  $b_i := q_i \bmod 2$ , if  $z_1 < z_2$  swap them
- If  $b_1 = b_2 = 1$ , set  $z_1 := z_1 - z_2$ ,  $b_1 := b_1 - b_2$ 
  - At least one of the  $b_i$ 's must be zero now
- For any  $b_i = 0$  set  $z_i := \text{floor}(z_i/2)$ 
  - new- $q_i = \text{old-}q_i/2$
- Repeat until one  $z_i$  is zero, output the other

$$z = (2s)p + r \rightarrow z/2 = sp + r/2$$
$$\rightarrow \text{floor}(z/2) = sp + \text{floor}(r/2)$$

## Use reliable distinguisher to learn $q_t$


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- $z_i = q_i p + r_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $z' := \text{Binary-GCD}(z_1, z_2)$ 
  - Then  $z' = \text{GCD}^*(q_1, q_2) \cdot p + r'$  The odd part of the GCD
  - For random  $q_1, q_2$ ,  $\Pr[\text{GCD}(q_1, q_2) = 1] \sim 0.6$
- Try (say)  $z' := \text{Binary-GCD}(w_t, w_{t-1})$ 
  - Hope that  $z' = 1 \cdot p + r$ 
    - Else try again with  $\text{Binary-GCD}(z', w_{t-2})$ , etc.
- Run  $\text{Binary-GCD}(w_t, z')$ 
  - The  $b_2$  bits spell out the bits of  $q_t$
- Once you learn  $q_t$  then
  - $\text{round}(w_t/q_t) = p + \text{round}(r_t/q_t) = p$



# Hardness of Approximate-GCD

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- Several lattice-based approaches for solving approximate-GCD
    - Related to Simultaneous Diophantine Approximation (SDA) 
    - Studied in [Hawgrave-Graham01]
      - We considered some extensions of his attacks
  - All run out of steam when  $|q_i| > |p|^2$ 
    - In our case  $|p| \sim n^2$ ,  $|q_i| \sim n^5 \gg |p|^2$
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# Relation to SDA

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- $x_i = q_i p + r_i$  ( $r_i \ll p \ll q_i$ ),  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ 
    - $y_i = x_i/x_0 = (q_i p + r_i)/(q_0 p + r_0)$   
 $= (q_i + (r_i/p))/(q_0 + (r_0/p))$ 
      - $= (q_i + s_i)/q_0$ , with  $s_i \sim r_i/p \ll 1$
    - $y_1, y_2, \dots$  is an instance of SDA
      - $q_0$  is a denominator that approximates all  $y_i$ 's
  - Use Lagarias's algorithm to try and solve this SDA instance
    - Find  $q_0$ , then  $p = \text{round}(x_0/q_0)$
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# Lagarias's SDA algorithm

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□ Consider the rows of this matrix  $B$ :

■ They span  $\dim-(t+1)$  lattice

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} R & x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_t \\ & -x_0 & & & \\ & & -x_0 & & \\ & & & \dots & \\ & & & & -x_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

□  $\langle q_0, q_1, \dots, q_t \rangle \cdot B$  is short

■ 1<sup>st</sup> entry:  $q_0 R < Q \cdot R$

■  $i^{\text{th}}$  entry ( $i > 1$ ):  $q_0(q_i p + r_i) - q_i(q_0 p + r_0) = q_0 r_i - q_i r_0$

➤ Less than  $Q \cdot R$  in absolute value

➔ Total size less than  $Q \cdot R \cdot \sqrt{t}$

➤ vs. size  $\sim Q \cdot P$  (or more) for the basis vectors

□ Hopefully we will find it with a lattice-reduction algorithm (LLL or variants)

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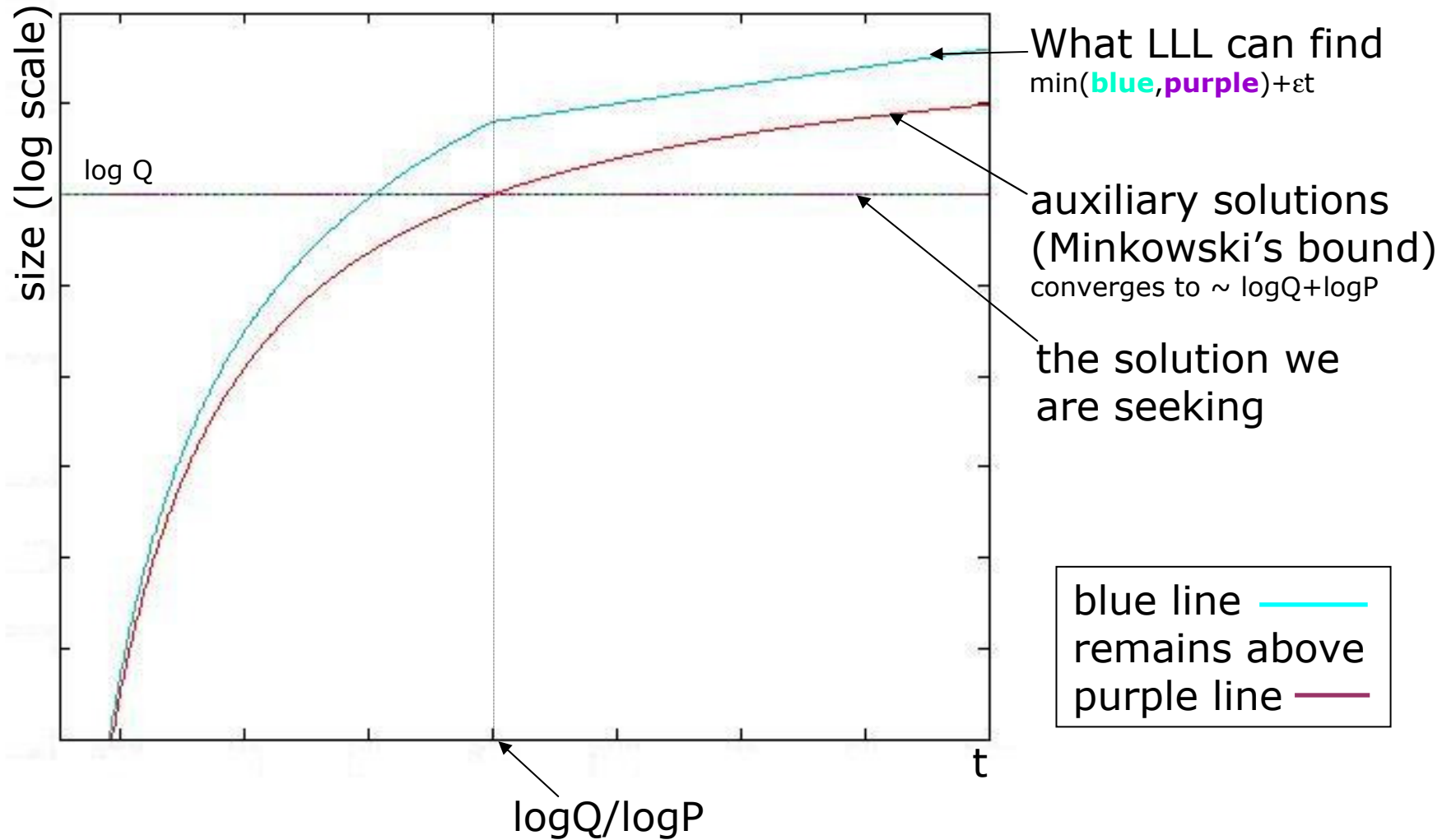
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# Will this algorithm succeed?

- Is  $\langle q_0, q_1, \dots, q_t \rangle \cdot B$  shortest in lattice?
  - Is it shorter than  $\sqrt{t} \cdot \det(B)^{1/t+1}$ ? Minkowski bound
    - $\det(B)$  is small-ish (due to  $R$  in the corner)
  - Need  $((QP)^t R)^{1/t+1} > QR$ 
    - $\Leftrightarrow t+1 > (\log Q + \log P - \log R) / (\log P - \log R)$
    - $\sim \log Q / \log P$
- $\log Q = \omega(\log^2 P) \rightarrow$  need  $t = \omega(\log P)$
- Quality of LLL & co. degrades with  $t$ 
  - Only finds vectors of size  $\sim 2^{t/2} \cdot \text{shortest}$ 
    - or  $2^{t/2} \rightarrow 2^{\epsilon t}$  for any constant  $\epsilon > 0$
  - $t = \omega(\log P) \rightarrow 2^{\epsilon t} \cdot QR > \det(B)^{1/t+1}$
  - Contemporary lattice reduction is not strong enough



# Why this algorithm fails



# Conclusions

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- ❑ Fully Homomorphic Encryption is a very powerful tool
  - ❑ Gentry09 gives first feasibility result
    - Showing that it can be done “in principle”
  - ❑ We describe a “conceptually simpler” scheme, using only modular arithmetic
  - ❑ What about efficiency?
    - Computation, ciphertext-expansion are polynomial, but a rather large one...
  - ❑ Improving efficiency is an open problem
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# Extra credit

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- ❑ The hard-core-bit theorem
  - ❑ Connection between approximate-GCD and simultaneous Diophantine approx.
  - ❑ Gentry's technique for "squashing" the decryption circuit
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Thank you

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