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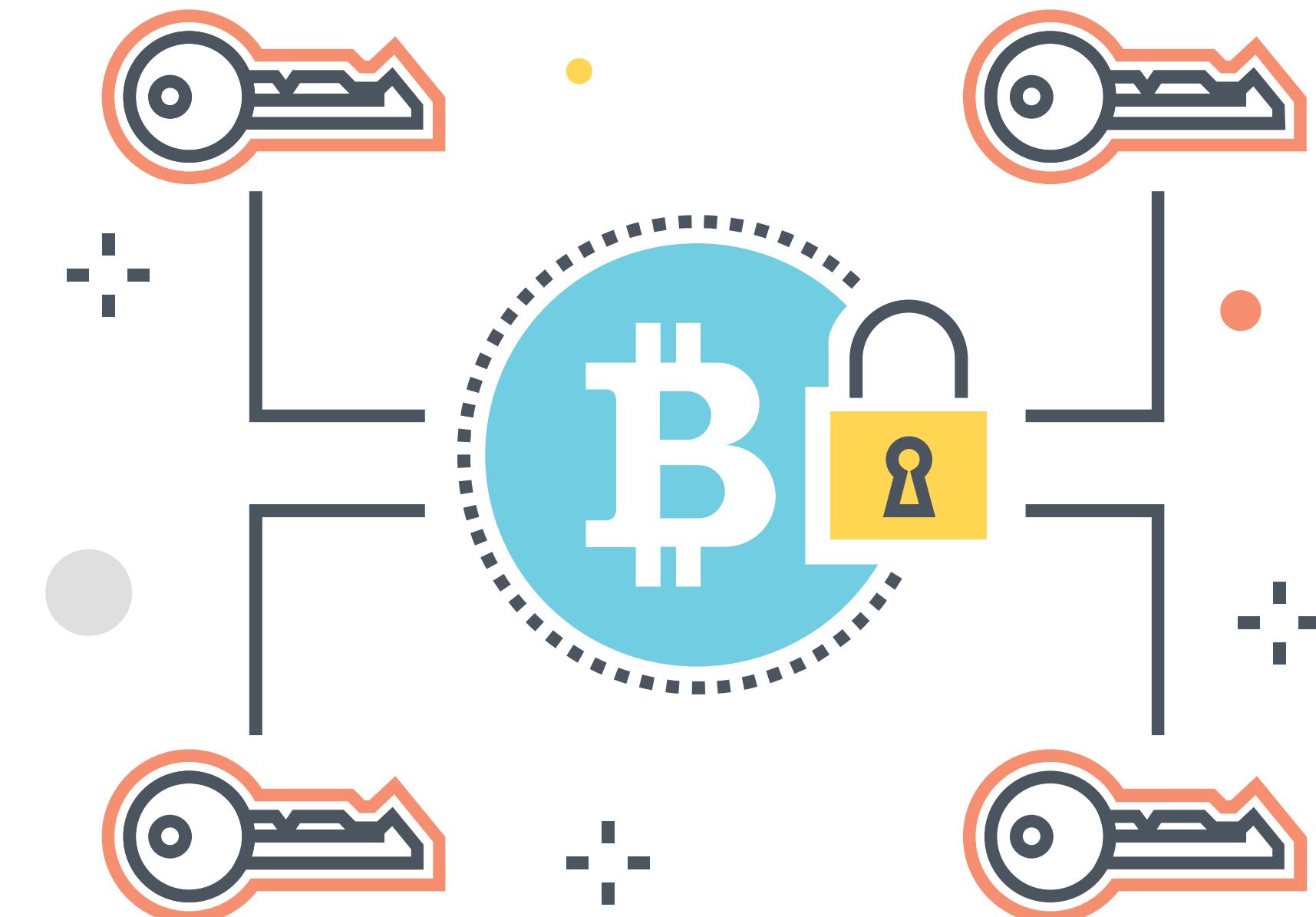
Flexible Round-Optimized Schnorr Threshold Signatures

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Multi-Party Signatures

Overview

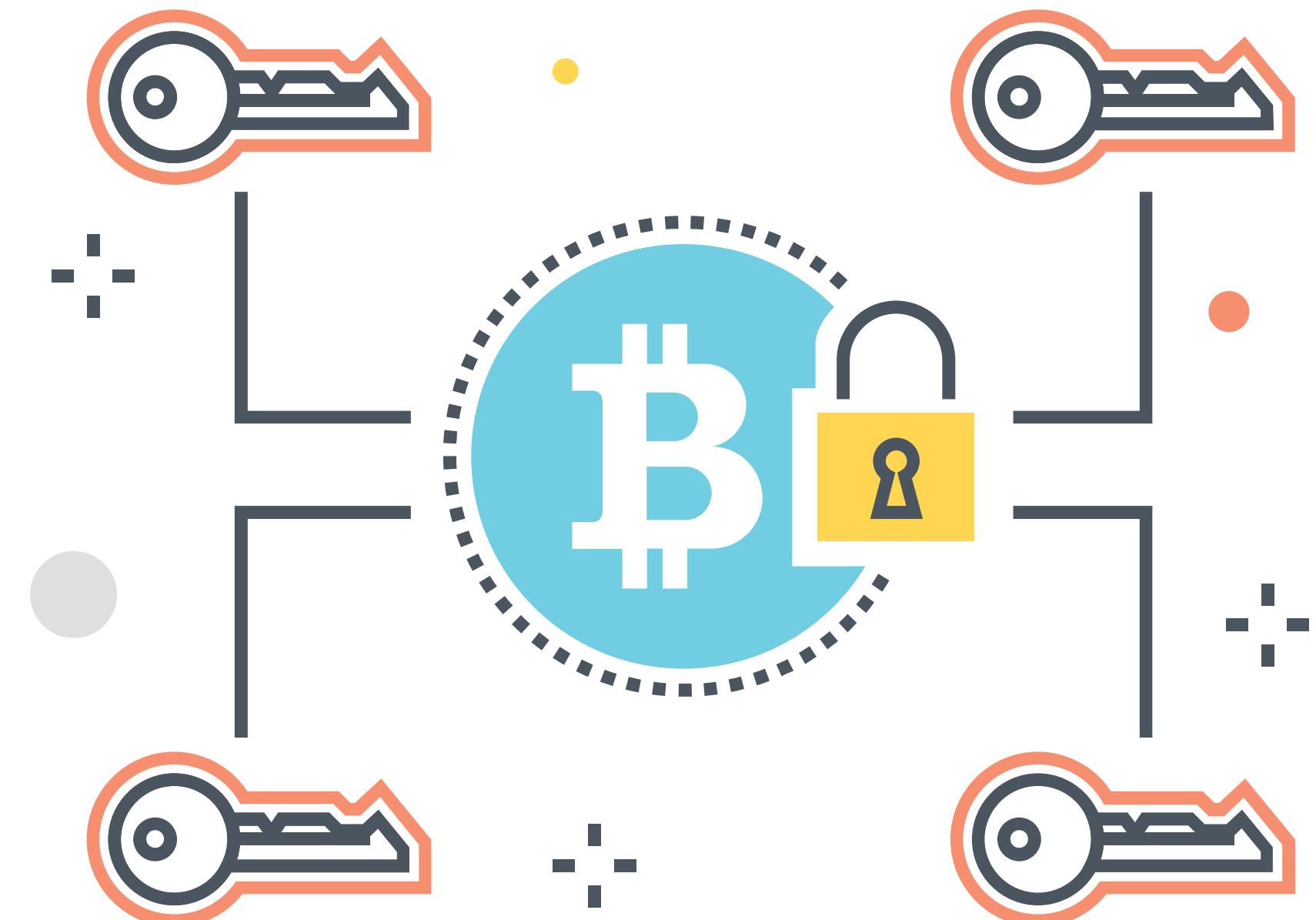
- Benefits
 - segregating access
 - joint accounts
 - escrow
 - role separation
 - security
 - no single point of failure



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Scripts and Signatures

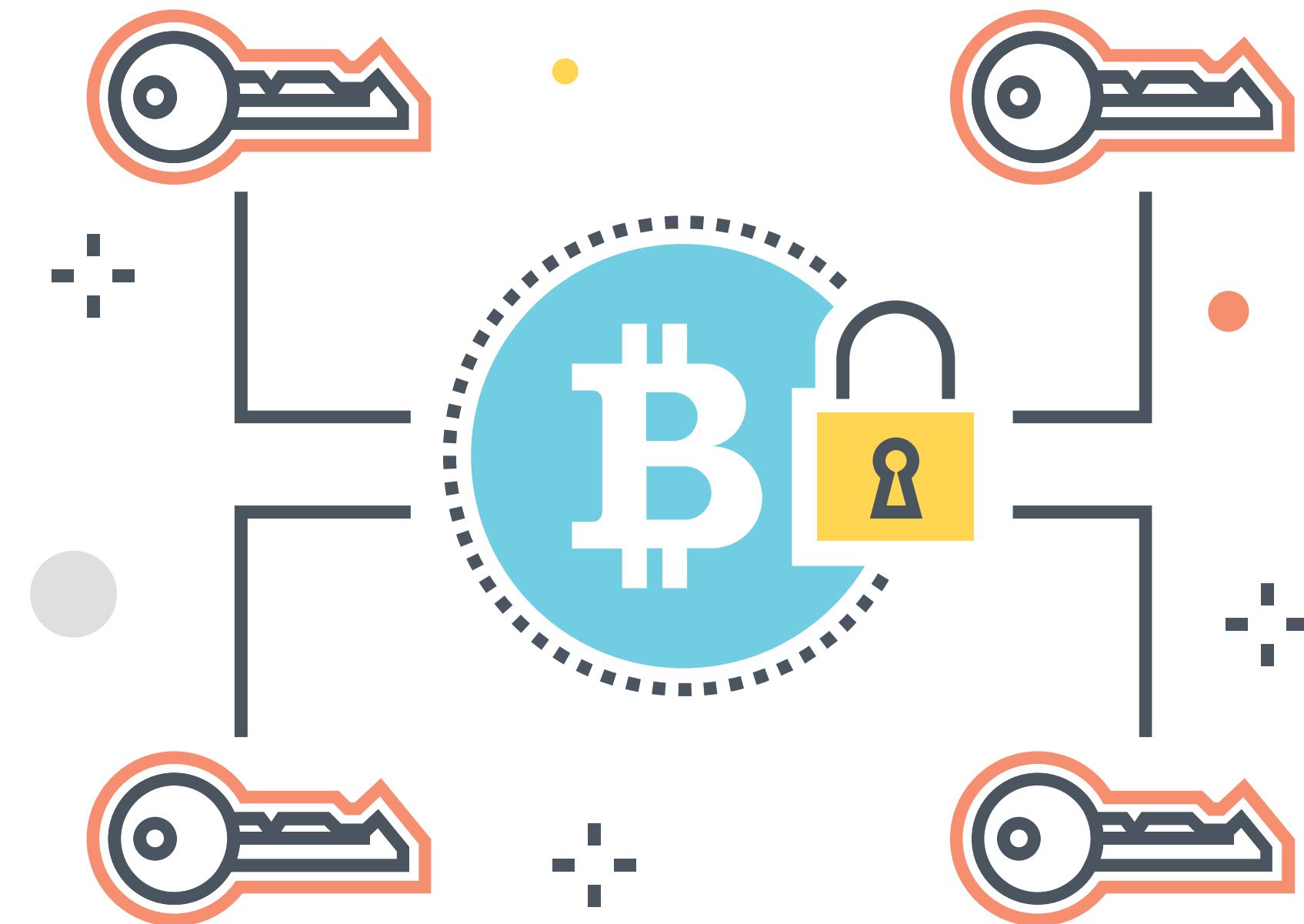
- On-Chain Script Verification
 - information about scheme leaks when output is spent
 - explicit verification data must be stored
- Off-Chain Signature Construction
 - indistinguishable from a single-party signature
 - only a single signature must be stored for verification



Multi-Party Signatures

ECDSA and Schnorr

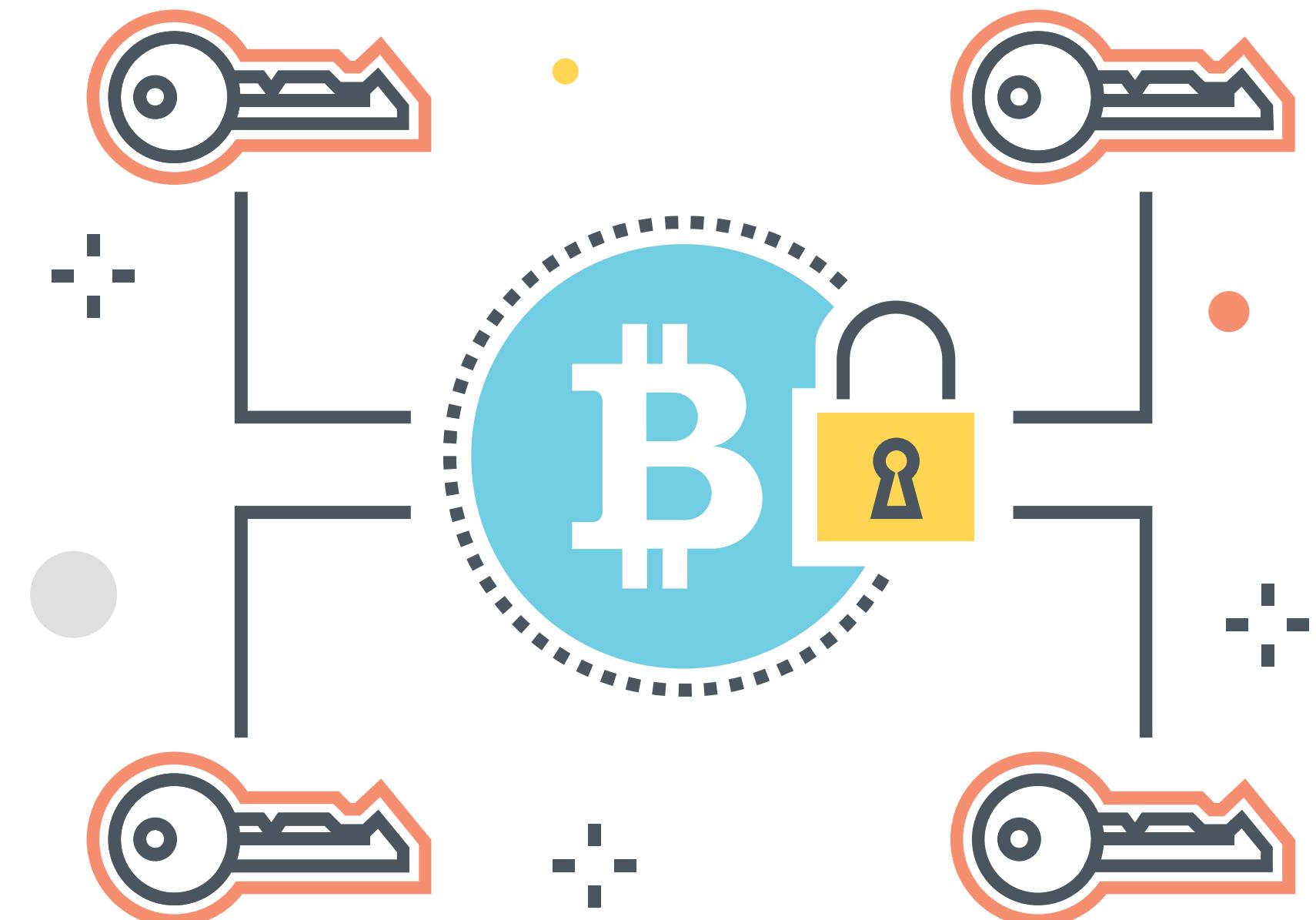
- ECDSA
 - non-linear signature
 - complex protocols with new cryptographic assumptions and large number of rounds
- Schnorr
 - linear signature
 - simpler protocols with no new assumptions
 - requires Taproot



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Multi-Signatures and Threshold Signatures

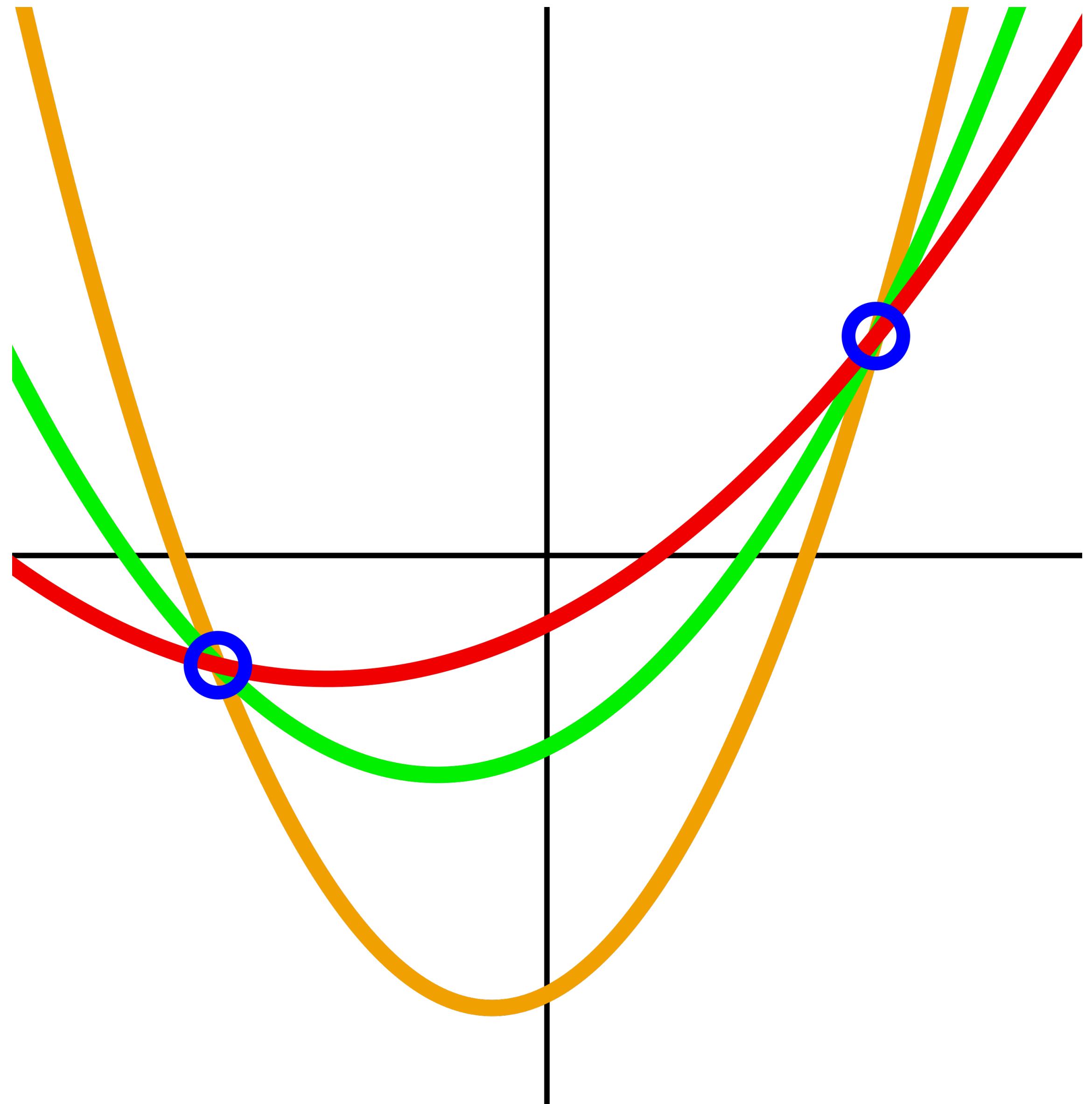
- Multi-Signatures
 - n-of-n
 - non-interactive key generation
 - MuSig/MuSig2
- Threshold Signatures
 - t-of-n
 - interactive key generation
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Schnorr Threshold Signatures

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- 2 points determine a unique line (1 degree polynomial: $y = Ax^0 + Bx^1$)
- 3 points determine a unique parabola (2 degree polynomial: $y = Ax^0 + Bx^1 + Cx^2$)
- every set of n points uniquely determine a polynomial with degree $n - 1$



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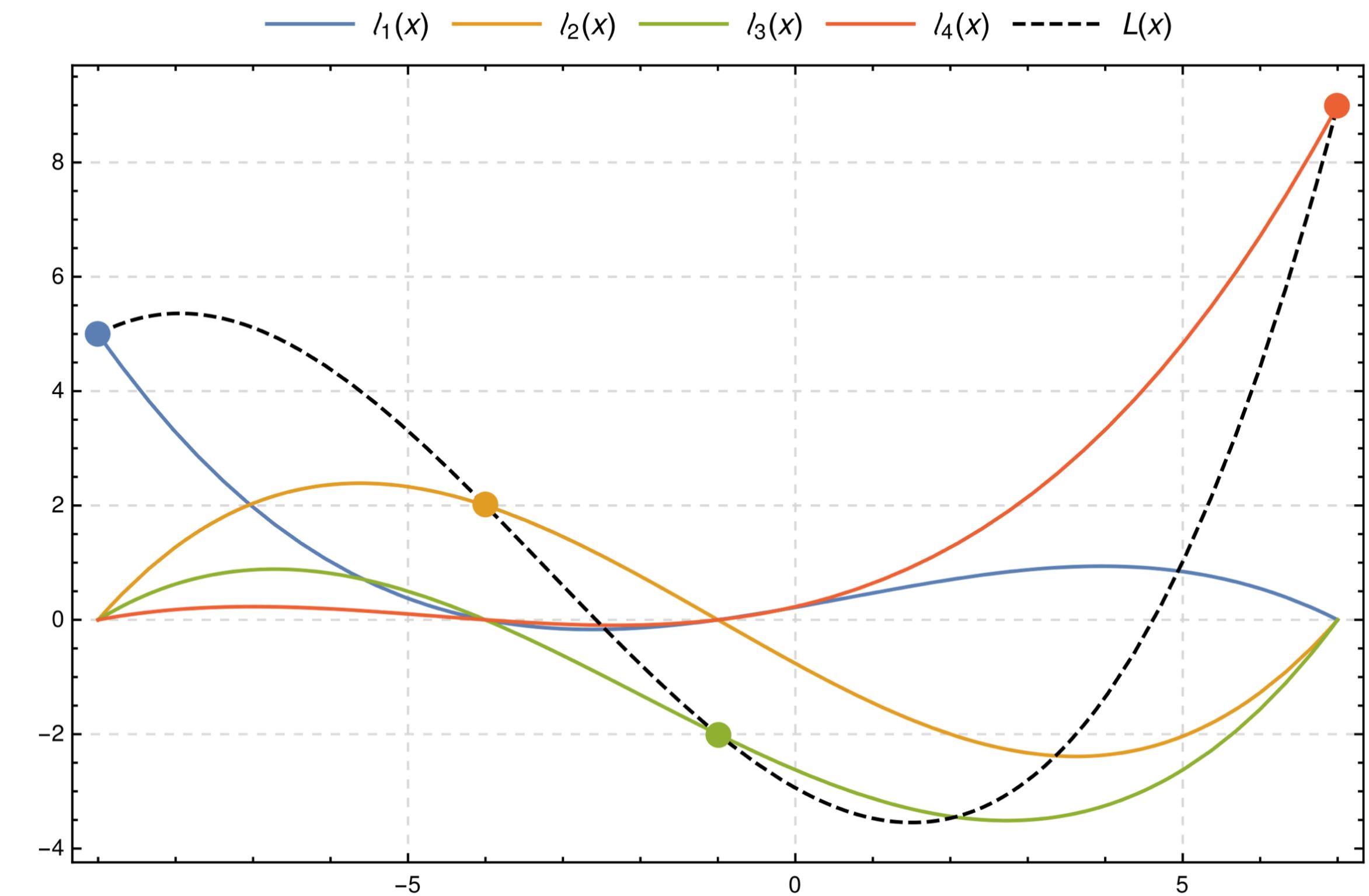
Lagrange Polynomial Interpolation

- for each point, derive a linear equation in which the x value of that point returns 1 and the x value of any other point returns 0 (a Lagrange polynomial)

$$\ell_j(x) := \prod_{\substack{0 \leq m \leq k \\ m \neq j}} \frac{x - x_m}{x_j - x_m}$$

$$\ell_j(x_i) = \prod_{m \neq j} \frac{x_i - x_m}{x_j - x_m} = \frac{(x_i - x_0)}{(x_j - x_0)} \cdots \frac{(x_i - x_i)}{(x_j - x_i)} \cdots \frac{(x_i - x_k)}{(x_j - x_k)} = 0$$

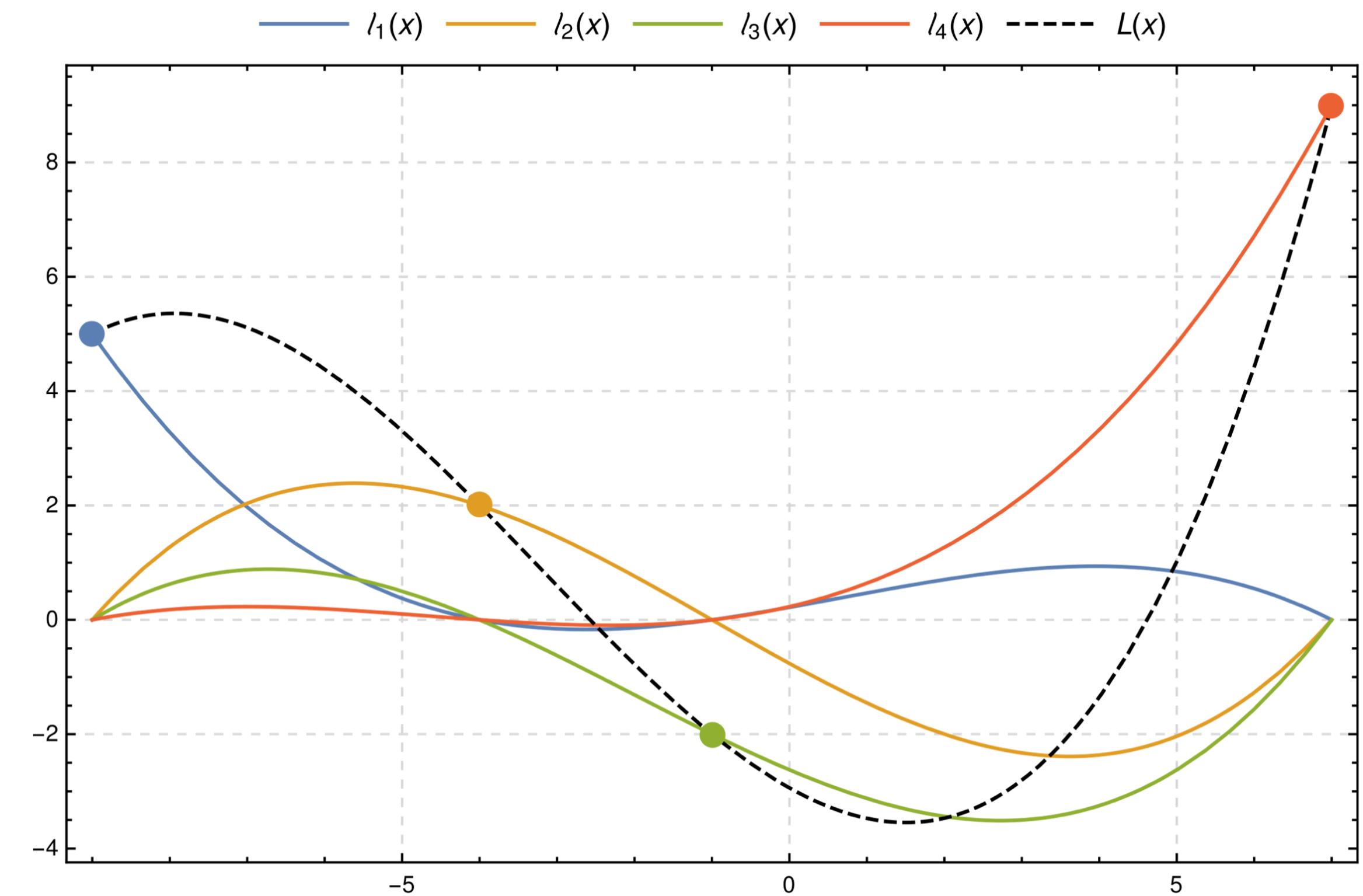
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Lagrange Polynomial Interpolation

- the interpolated polynomial is the sum of each Lagrange polynomial multiplied by the respective y values for each point
- for each point, this polynomial will return the y value when provided the x value (because each Lagrange polynomial will return 0 when another point is provided, and 1 when the same point is provided)



$$\ell_j(x_i) = \prod_{m \neq j} \frac{x_i - x_m}{x_j - x_m} = \frac{(x_i - x_0)}{(x_j - x_0)} \cdots \frac{(x_i - x_i)}{(x_j - x_i)} \cdots \frac{(x_i - x_k)}{(x_j - x_k)} = 0$$

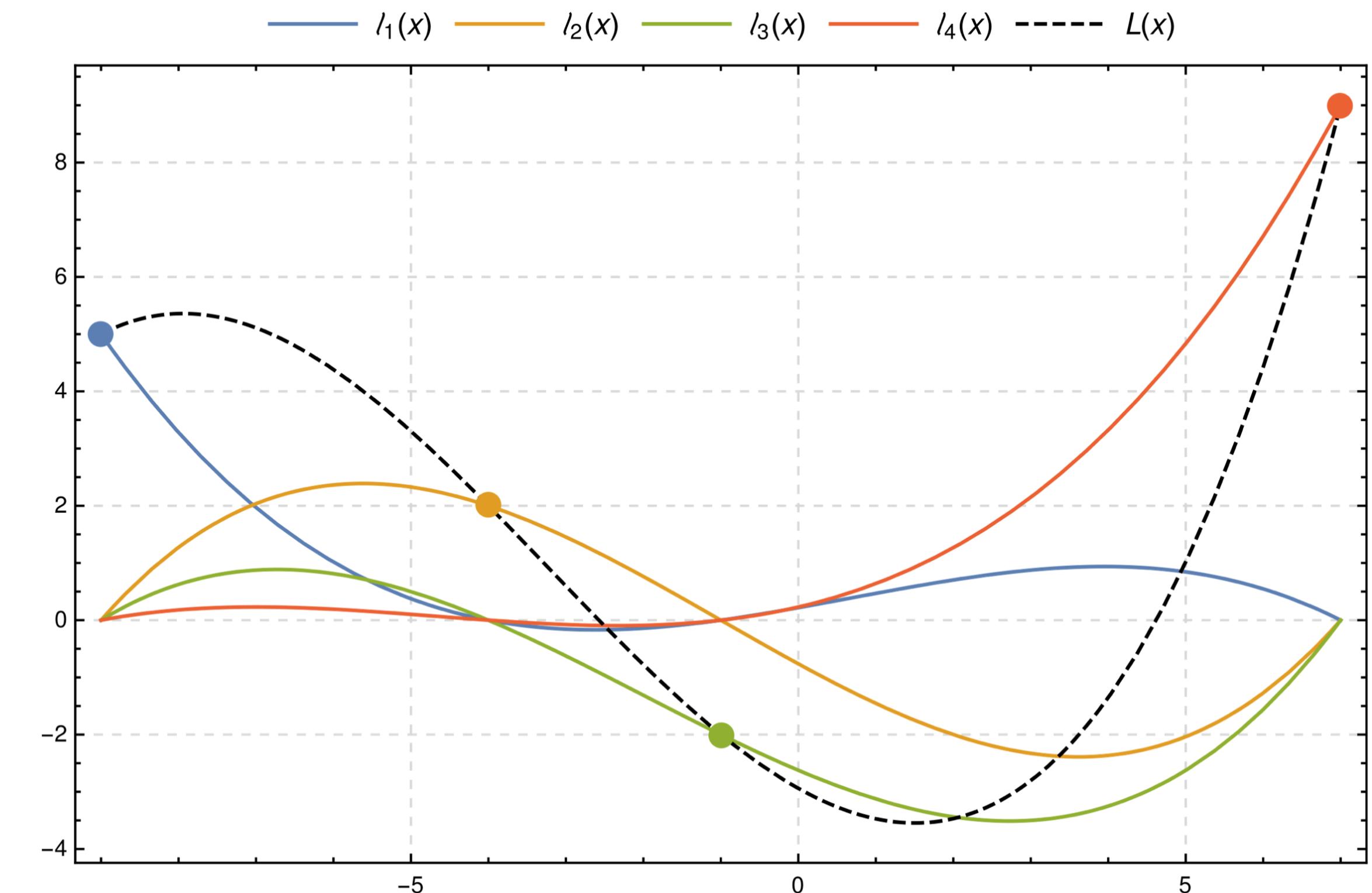
$$\ell_j(x_j) := \prod_{m \neq j} \frac{x_j - x_m}{x_j - x_m} = 1$$

$$L(x) := \sum_{j=0}^k y_j \ell_j(x)$$

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- if we are only interested in interpolating the first coefficient, rather than the entire polynomial, we can compute a Lagrange coefficient for each point, and the sum of a threshold of y values multiplied by their respective Lagrange coefficients will derive the first coefficient
- this gives a coefficient for each share that can be computed by reference to the index (x value) for each share



$$\ell_j(x) := \prod_{\substack{0 \leq m \leq k \\ m \neq j}} \frac{x - x_m}{x_j - x_m}$$

$$f(0) = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} y_j \prod_{\substack{m=0 \\ m \neq j}}^{k-1} \frac{x_m}{x_m - x_j}$$

$a_0 := 23$

$$(a_1, \dots, a_{t-1}) \xleftarrow{\$} Z_q$$

$(23, 42)$

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} a_j x^j$$

$$f(x) = 23x^0 + 42x^1$$

$f(1) = 46$

$f(2) = 69$

$f(3) = 92$

$$f(0) = \sum_{i=1}^t \lambda_i \cdot f(x_i)$$

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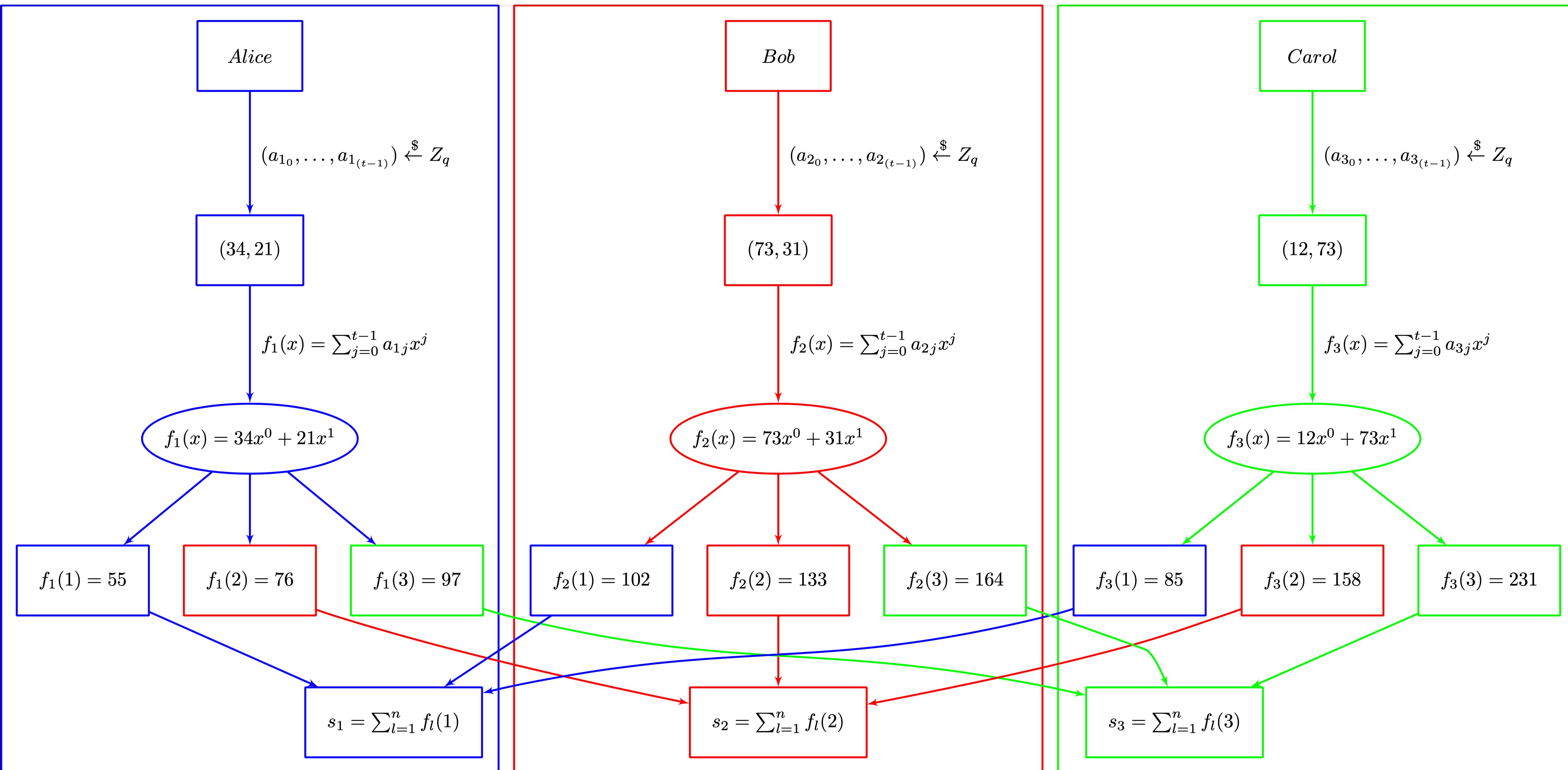
$$f_1(x) = 34x^0 + 21x^1$$

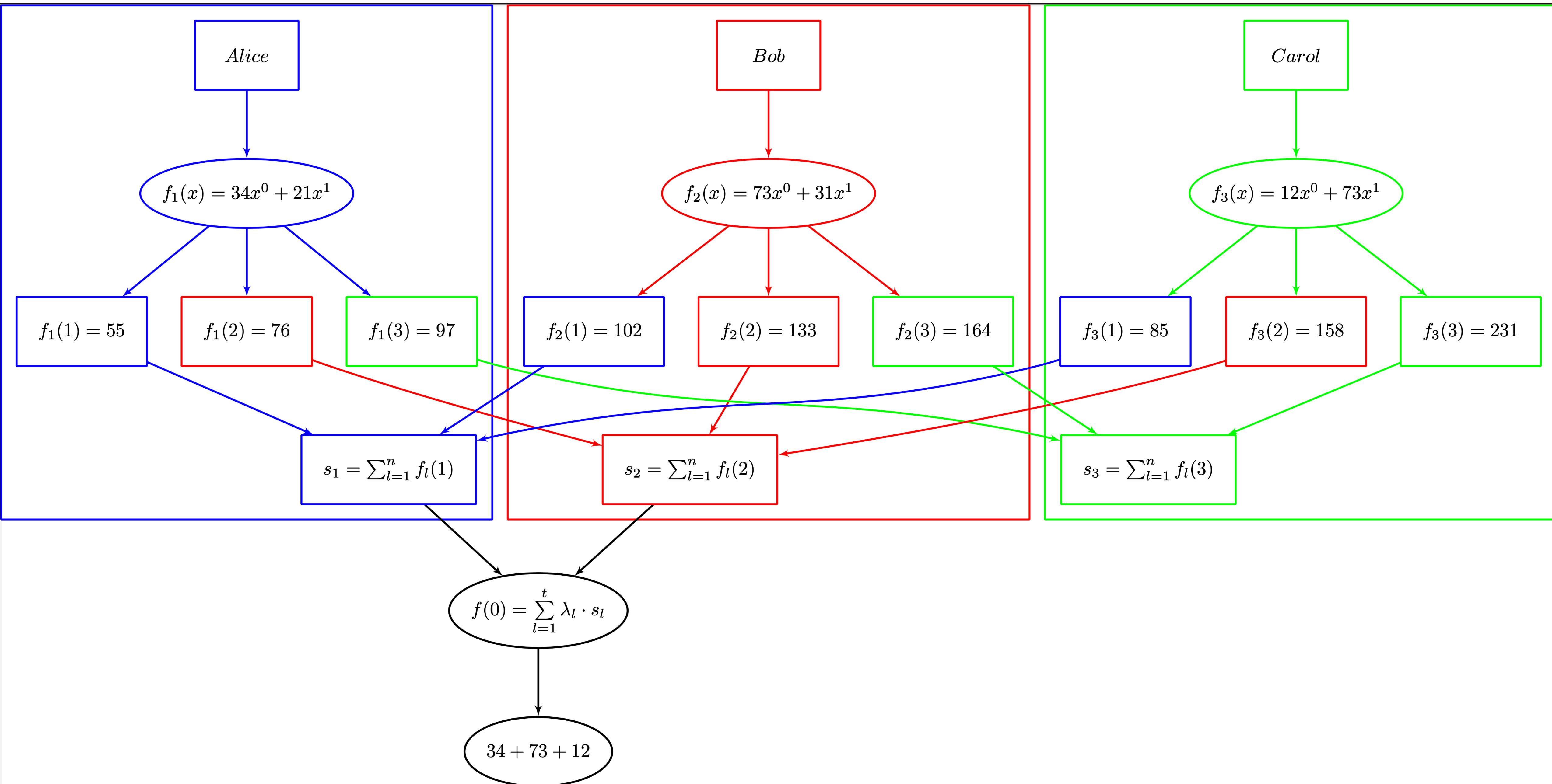
$$f_2(x) = 73x^0 + 31x^1$$

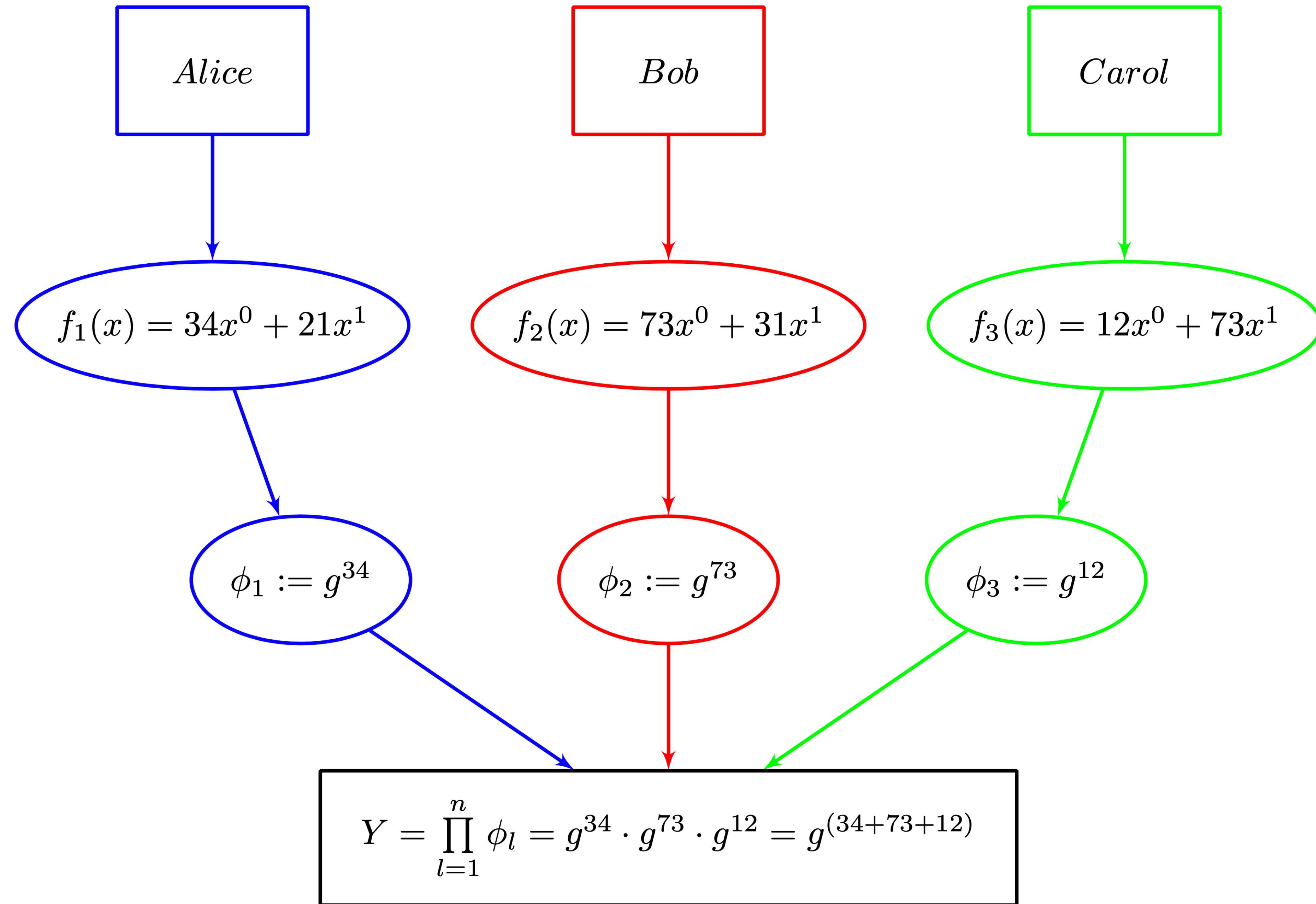
$$f_1(1) = 55$$

$$f_2(1) = 104$$

$$f'(1) = 55 + 104 = f_1(1) + f_2(1) = (34 + 73)1^0 + (21 + 31)1^1$$







Schnorr Signature

$$s = r + cx$$

