

CRYPTOGRAPHY

(lecture 7)

Literature:

“A Graduate Course in Applied Cryptography” (ch **13.3, 19.3, 8.10.2** until pg324)

“A note on blind signature schemes” by Matthew Green

“Blind Signatures for Untraceable Payments” by David Chaum, “Digital Signatures” by Tibor Jager

“Lecture Notes on Cryptographic Protocols” by Schoenmakers (ch **8.0,8.1,8.2**)

“Group Signatures: Authentication with Privacy” (ch **1.1.1, 1.2, 1.3.0, 1.3.1, 1.4, 1.5.0, 1.5.1, 1.5.2, 1.5.3, 1.6.4)**

“The Mathematics of Elliptic Curve Cryptography” (on Canvas)

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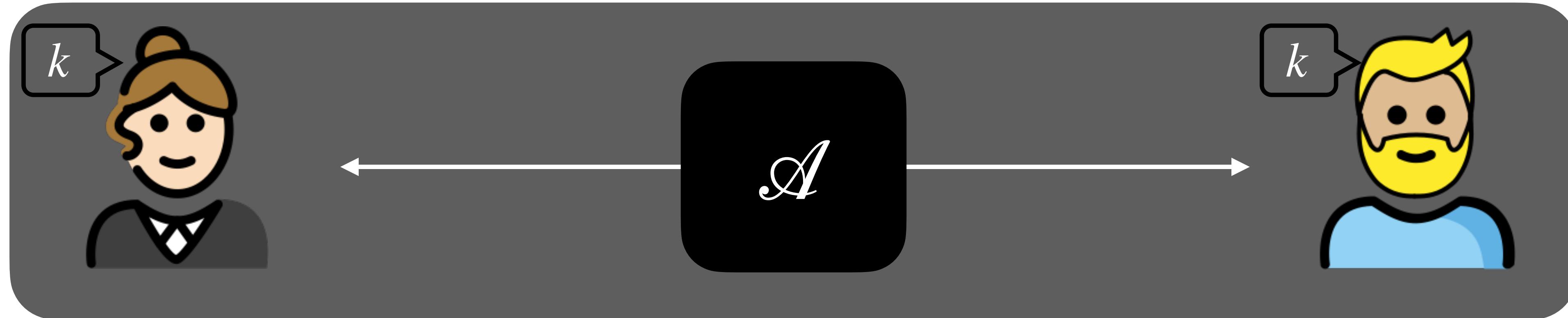
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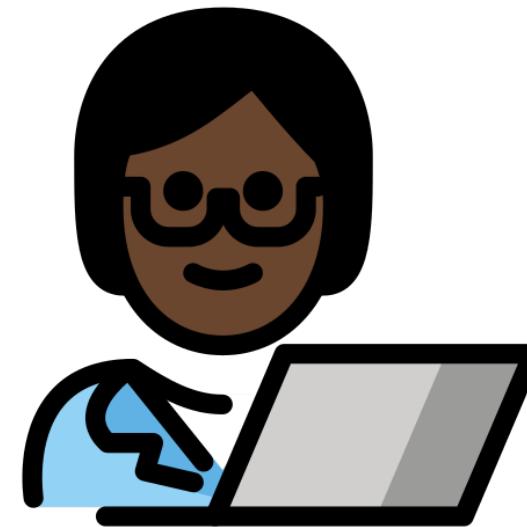
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Authenticating the Source of Information Over the Internet



Problem: if both Alice and Bob know k , then cryptographically they are the same person. Bob cannot convince a third party that Alice has produced something (e.g. a MAC) that requires the knowledge of k . *Whatever Alices produces, Bob can produce it as well!*



With **public key cryptography** Alice is the only one to know sk . If she uses it to do something that is (computationally) impossible to do without sk , then everyone can be convinced she did it.

Digital Signature - Syntax

Definition: Digital Signature

A digital signature scheme is a triple of PPT algorithms ($KeyGen$, $Sign$, Ver) defined as follows:

- $KeyGen(n) \rightarrow (\text{pk}, \text{sk})$ is a probabilistic key generation algorithm
- $Sign(\text{sk}, m) \rightarrow \sigma$ is a (possibly) probabilistic algorithm that outputs a signature σ for a message m
- $Ver(\text{pk}, m, \sigma)$ is a deterministic algorithm that returns ‘1’ (accept) if σ is considered valid for m against pk , or ‘0’ (reject) otherwise.

Correctness

For all key pairs $(\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \leftarrow KeyGen(n)$ it holds that: $Ver(\text{pk}, m, Sign(\text{sk}, m)) = 1$

$$Pr[Ver(\text{pk}, m, \sigma) = 1 | \sigma \leftarrow Sign(\text{sk}, m)] = 1$$

Towards a Security Notion for Digital Signatures

\mathcal{A}

Adversary's Power and Knowledge

Key-Only Attack: \mathcal{A} knows only the signer's pk , and therefore only has the capability of checking the validity of signatures of messages

Known Signature Attack: \mathcal{A} knows pk and sees message/signature pairs chosen and produced by the legal signer

Chosen Message Attack: \mathcal{A} knows pk and can ask the signer to sign a number of messages of the adversary's choice.

Adversary's Goal

Existential Forgery: \mathcal{A} succeeds in creating a valid signature of a new message (never seen before)

Strong Forgery: \mathcal{A} succeeds in creating a valid signature of some message of \mathcal{A} 's choice
and the signature is different from any signature seen by \mathcal{A}

Universal Forgery: \mathcal{A} is able to generate a valid signature for *any* message (but ignores sk)

Total Break: \mathcal{A} can compute the signer's secret key sk



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The recipe for a good security notion:

1. Choose a *realistic* adversary (PPT, Quantum...)
2. Give to \mathcal{A} the strongest starting knowledge
3. Select the weakest damage to the cryptosystem
4. DONE!



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Towards a Security Notion for Digital Signatures

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Chosen Message Attack: \mathcal{A} knows pk and can ask the signer to sign a number of messages of the adversary's choice. (*this is our standard*)

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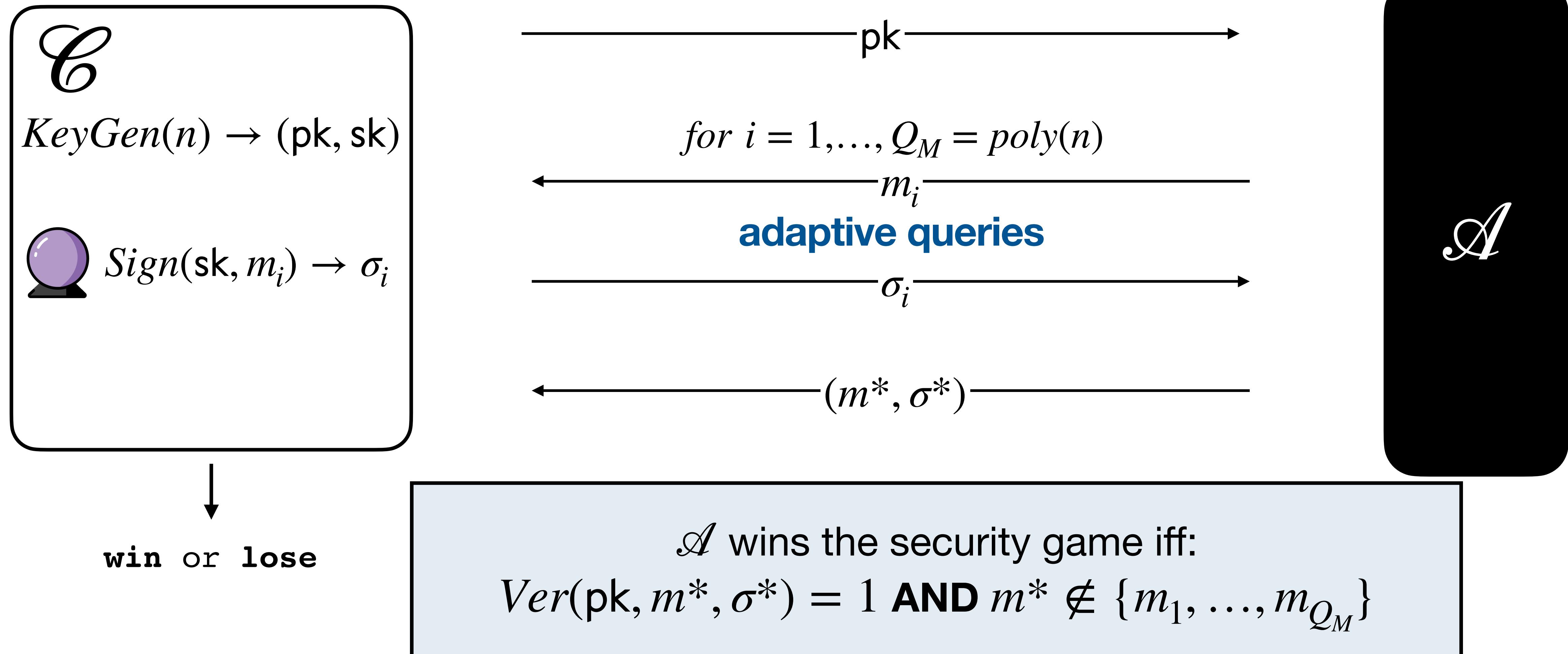
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Existential Unforgeability Under Chosen Message Attack (EUF-CMA)

Aim: quantify the \mathcal{A} 's likelihood in forging a valid signature σ^* for a *new* message m^*



Secure Signature

A Digital Signature Scheme is said to be **secure** (unforgeable under chosen message attack) if **for all efficient** adversaries the probability that \mathcal{A} **wins** the EUF-CMA security game is **negligible**. Formally,

$$\Pr[Ver(\text{pk}, m^*, \sigma^*) = 1 \mid (m^*, \sigma^*) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{O}_{\text{sk}}^{\text{Sign}}}(\text{pk}) \wedge m^* \notin \{m_i\}_{i=1}^{Q_M}] \leq negl(n)$$

Textbook RSA Signature Scheme

KeyGen (*sec.par*) \Rightarrow (*sk*, *pk*)

Pick: p, q two distinct *sec.par*-bit long primes

Compute: $N = p \cdot q$, and e, d s.t. $e \cdot d = 1 \pmod{\Phi(N)}$

sk = (N , d)

pk = (N , e)

Sign (*sk*, *m*) \Rightarrow σ

The message is m in \mathbb{Z}_N

Compute: $\sigma = m^d \pmod{N}$



Is this construction EUF-CMA secure?

[No! Because RSA is **homomorphic**]

Ver (*pk*, *m*, σ) \Rightarrow {0, 1}

Check: $m = \sigma^e \pmod{N}$?

The RSA-FDH Signature Scheme

KeyGen ($\text{sec}.\text{par}$) \Rightarrow (sk , pk)

Pick: p, q two distinct $\text{sec}.\text{par}$ -bit long primes

Compute: $N = p \cdot q$, and e, d s.t. $e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{\Phi(N)}$

$\text{sk} = (N, d)$

$\text{pk} = (N, e)$

Sign (sk , msg) \Rightarrow σ

Hash the message: $H(\text{msg}) = h$

Compute: $\sigma = h^d \pmod{N}$

Verify (pk , msg , σ) $\Rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

Hash the message: $H(\text{msg}) = h$

Check: $h = \sigma^e \pmod{N}$



Can we use sha256?

[No! We need a long-output hash function
full domain hash (FDH), N~2048bits]

A More General Look: the Hash-and-Sign Paradigm

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Full Domain Hash + One-Way Trapdoor Permutation = Secure Digital Signature

$\text{Sig.KeyGen} : OWTF.KeyGen(n) \rightarrow (\text{pk}, \text{sk})$

$\text{Sig.Sign}(\text{sk}, \text{msg}) : I(\text{sk}, H(\text{msg})) = \sigma$

$\text{Sig.Ver}(\text{pk}, \text{msg}, \sigma) : \text{test } F(\text{pk}, \sigma) = H(\text{msg}) ?$

Security Proof

The RSA-FDH signature scheme is EUF-CMA secure in the Random Oracle Model under the RSA assumption **[given (N,e,c) find m such that $cd = m \text{ mod } N$]**.



The hash function H is modelled as if it was a truly random function \mathcal{O}

How do we prove security? As in Module1, proof by contradiction.

Reasoning: if \mathcal{A} breaks the EUF-CMA security of RSA-FDH with non-negligible probability, then we can build a new adversary (called *reduction*) \mathcal{B} that uses \mathcal{A} to break the RSA assumption, with non-negligible probability.

Proof: the Reduction

\mathcal{B}

simultaneously acts as attacker against the RSA problem and
as challenger in the EUF-CMA security game with \mathcal{A}

RSA challenger

\mathcal{C}

RSA setting:

$$N = pq$$

$$ed \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(N)}$$

$$c \leftarrow \$\mathbb{Z}_N^*$$

$\xrightarrow{-} (N, e, c) \xrightarrow{-}$

$\xleftarrow{-} \tilde{m}^* \xrightarrow{-}$

Answering R.O. queries

Give consistent replies.

For a new message $(m_j, \cdot, \cdot) \notin L$

$$r_j \leftarrow \$\mathbb{Z}_N^*$$

With probability f: $h_j \leftarrow r_j^e \pmod{N}$

With probability (1-f): $h_j \leftarrow c \cdot r_j^e \pmod{N}$

Store (m_j, h_j, r_j) in L , return h_j

$\xrightarrow{-} \text{pk} = (N, e) \xrightarrow{-}$

$\xleftarrow{-} m_j \text{ (R.O.)-} \xrightarrow{-} h_j \xrightarrow{-}$

Answering Signing queries

If $(m_i, \cdot, \cdot) \notin L$: call R.O.

If $(m_i, \cdot, \cdot) \in L$: check:

if $h_i = r_i^e \pmod{N}$: return $\sigma_i = r_i$

if $h_i = c \cdot r_i^e \pmod{N}$: Abort

$\xleftarrow{-} m_i \xrightarrow{-}$

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$\xleftarrow{-} m_j$ (R.O.)

$\xrightarrow{-} h_j$

$\xleftarrow{-} m_i$

$\xrightarrow{-} \sigma_i$

If there exists an index i s.t.

1) $H(m^*) = h_i = c \cdot (r_i)^e \pmod{N}$

And

2) $\text{Ver}(\text{pk}, m^*, \sigma^*) = 1$

Return to \mathcal{C} : $\tilde{m}^* = \sigma^* \cdot r_i^{-1} \pmod{N}$

$\xleftarrow{-} (m^*, \sigma^*)$

\mathcal{A}

Proof: Finalising the Reasoning

Now we have a full description of the reduction \mathcal{B} . We need to prove a few properties:

1) \mathcal{B} perfectly simulates the EUF-CMA game to \mathcal{A} :

- The values h_j returned by \mathcal{B} look random  because $r_j \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_N^*$

- The signatures σ_i look proper  because when \mathcal{B} does not abort, $\sigma_i = r_i$ and

2) \mathcal{B} 's output is correct. $H(m_i) = h_i = r_i^e \pmod{N}$. So $\sigma_i^e = r_i^e = H(m) \pmod{N}$

 because $Ver(\text{pk}, m^*, \sigma^*) = 1$ iff $(\sigma^*)^e = H(m^*) = c \cdot r_i^e = (c^d \cdot r_i)^e \pmod{N}$ iff $\sigma^* = c^d \cdot r_i$

(Proof: Cleaning the Details - Not Needed for the Exam)

3) \mathcal{B} does not abort with probability f^{Q_M} .

5) If \mathcal{B} works (i.e., it does not abort), then \mathcal{B} can use \mathcal{A} 's forgery to break RSA (invert the encryption) with probability $1-f$.

5) If \mathcal{A} succeeds with non-negligible probability δ then \mathcal{B} succeeds with non-negligible probability

$$(1 - f) \cdot f^{Q_M} \cdot \delta$$

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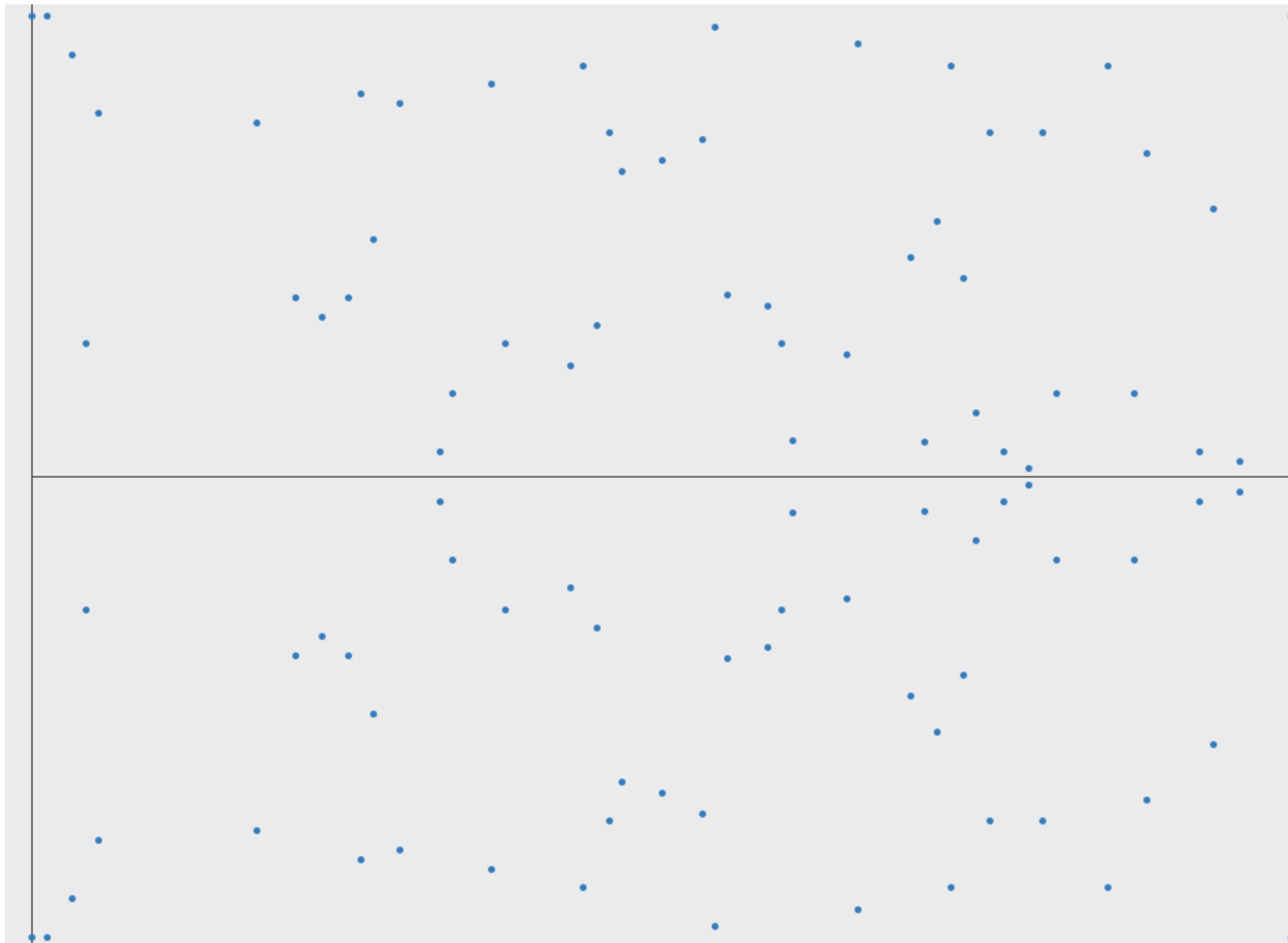
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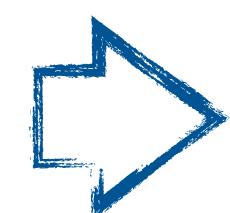
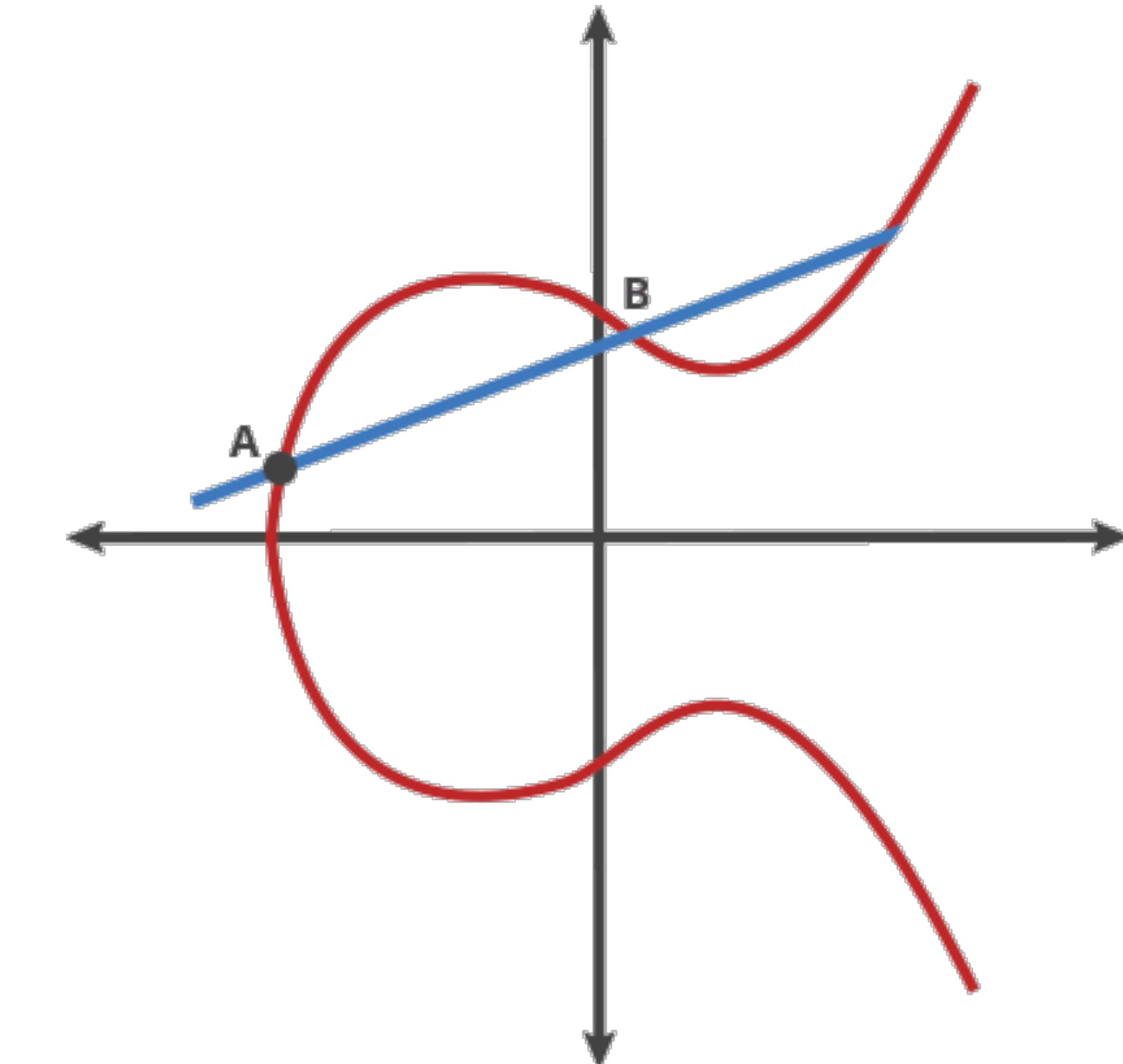
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ECDSA - Background on Elliptic Curve Cryptography

$$y^2 = x^3 - x + 1 \pmod{97}$$



$$y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$$



*Elliptic curves have a **group** structure*

ECDSA - Algorithms

KeyGen (sec.par) \Rightarrow (sk, pk)

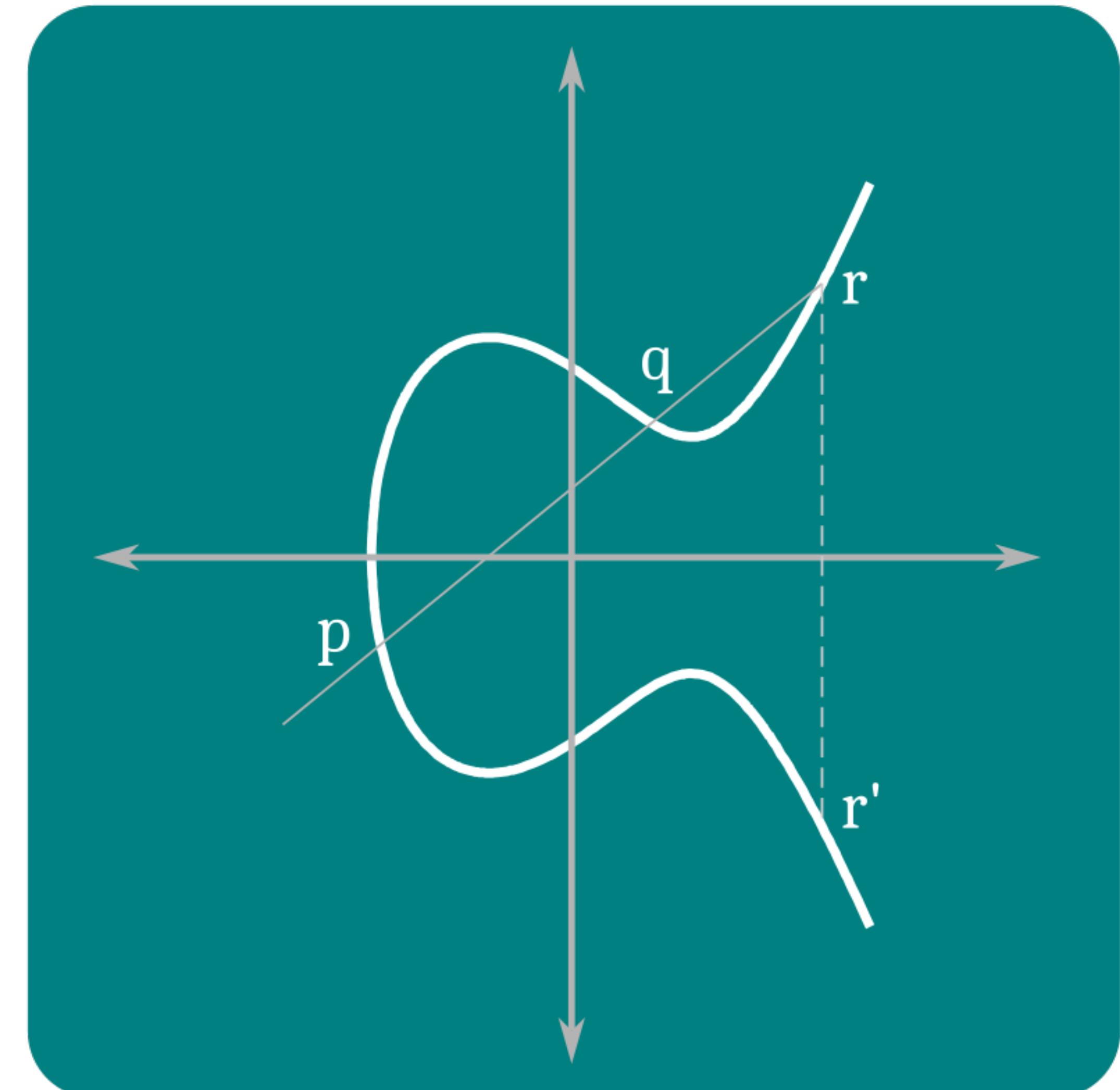
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d ←$ [ 0 ... n-1 ]  
sk = d  
pk = Q = d*G
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Sign (sk, msg) \Rightarrow sgn

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k ←$ [ 0 ... n-1 ]  
R = k*G  
r = R_x mod n  
z = sha256(msg)  
s = inv(k) · (z + d · r) mod n  
sgn = (r, s)
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Verify (pk, msg, sgn) \Rightarrow {0, 1}

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z = sha256(msg)  
T = [z · inv(s) mod n]*G  
P = [inv(s)*r mod n]*Q  
if R == T+P return 1  
else return 0
```



ECDSA - the Good

- ★ Shorter keys and better security than the RSA signature scheme
- ★ Non malleable
- ★ IoT friendly
- ★ In wide adoption (TLS, DigiCert (Symantec), Sectigo (Comodo) ...)

ECDSA - the Bad

PS3 hacked through poor cryptography implementation

A group of hackers named fail0verflow revealed in a presentation how they ...

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repeated nonce attack Bonus 2

:(what happens if the same nonce k is used to sign two different messages?

$k \leftarrow \$ \in [0 \dots n-1]$

$R = k * G$

$r = R_x \bmod n$

$z = \text{sha256}(\text{msg})$

$s = \text{inv}(k) \cdot (z + d \cdot r) \bmod n$

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Android bug batters Bitcoin wallets

Old flaw, new problem

Richard Chirgwin

Mon 12 Aug 2013 // 00:43 UTC

What now?

EdDSA

LadderLeak: Side-channel security flaws exploited to break ECDSA cryptography

Charlie Osborne 28 May 2020 at 14:07 UTC

Updated: 28 June 2021 at 09:05 UTC

Check out [this blog](#) for comparison between ECDSA and EdDSA ('conclusions' gives a very good summary)

Advanced Properties for Digital Signatures

Group Signatures

Attribute-Based Signatures

Threshold Signatures

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Group Signatures

group manager



signers / group
members

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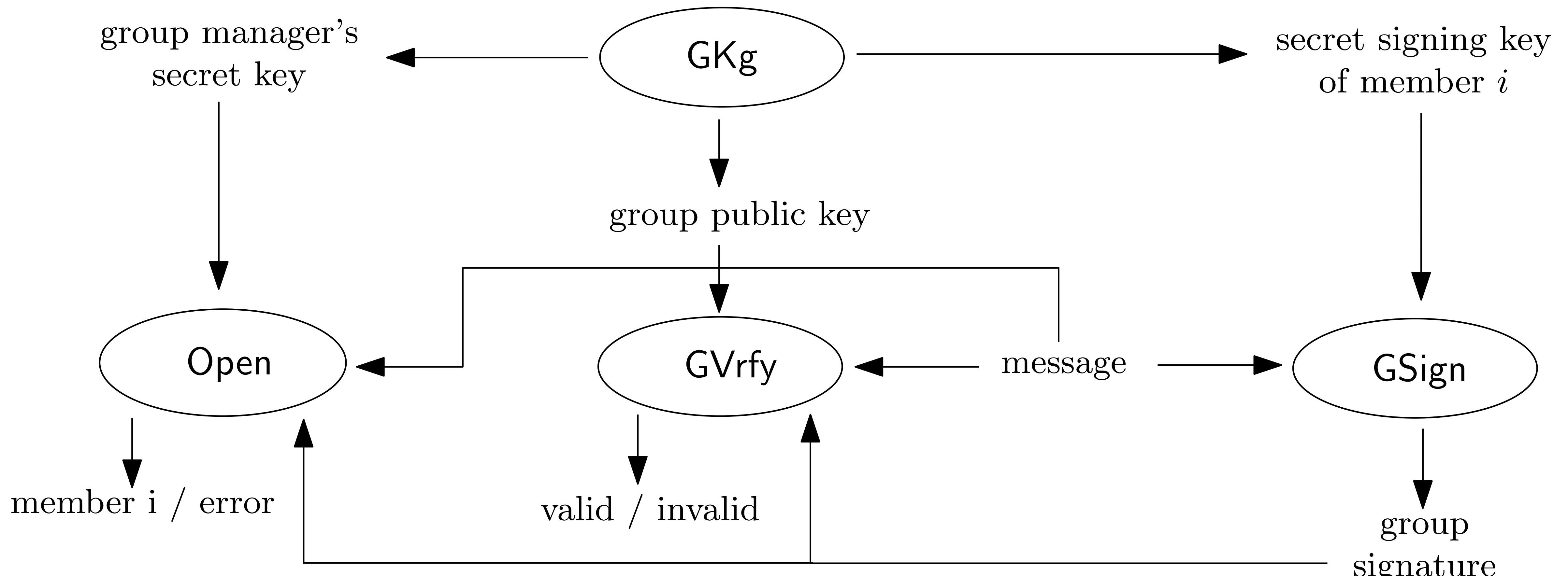


Figure 1.1.: Static Group Signatures



Blind Signatures

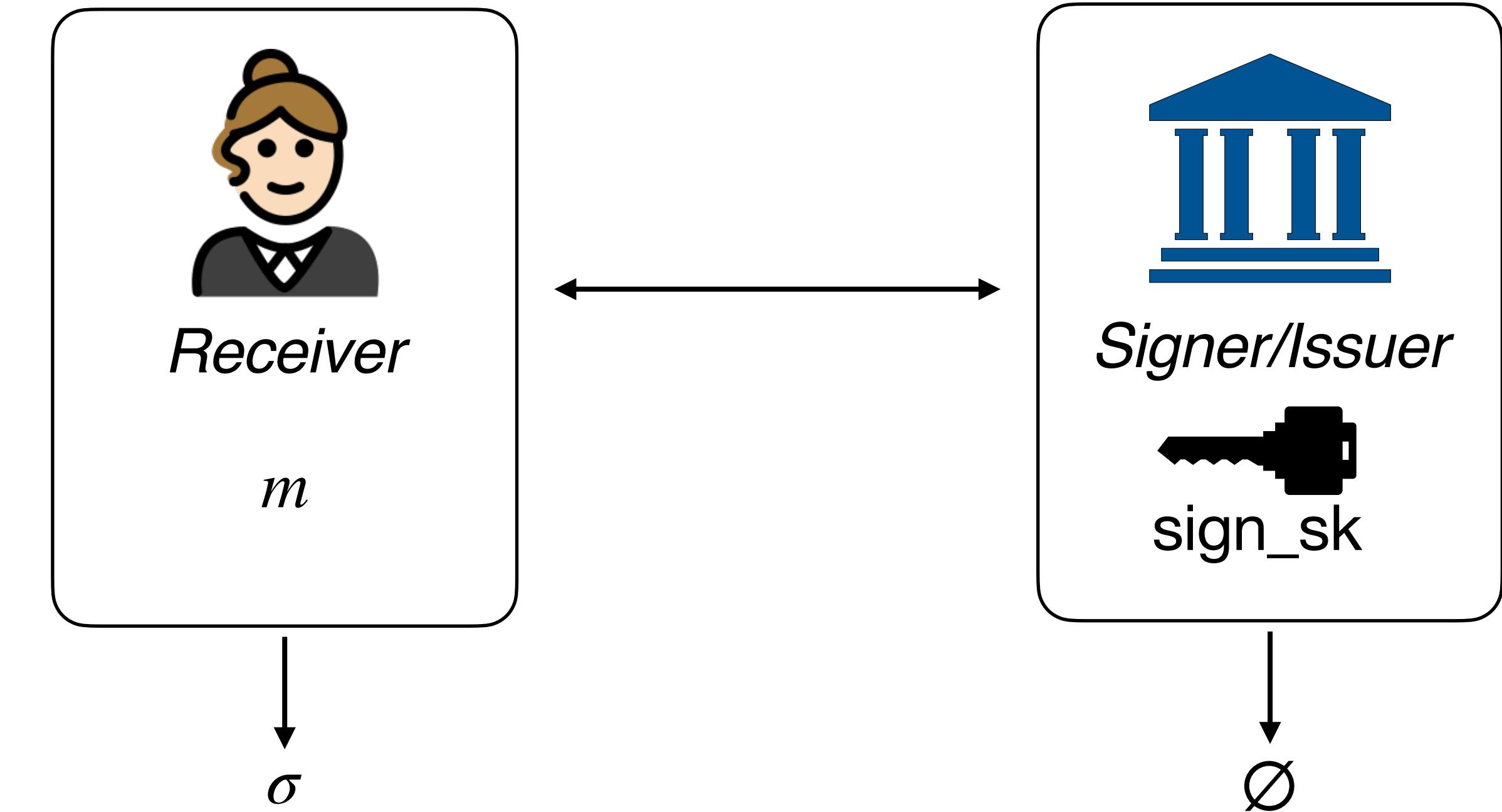
Blind Signatures

Definition: Blind Signature

A blind signature scheme is a signature scheme where the signing algorithm algorithms $Sign$ is replaced by an *interactive protocol* run between a signer/issuer (S) and a receiver (R).

The protocol starts with R who has as input a message m , and S who has as input a secret key sk .

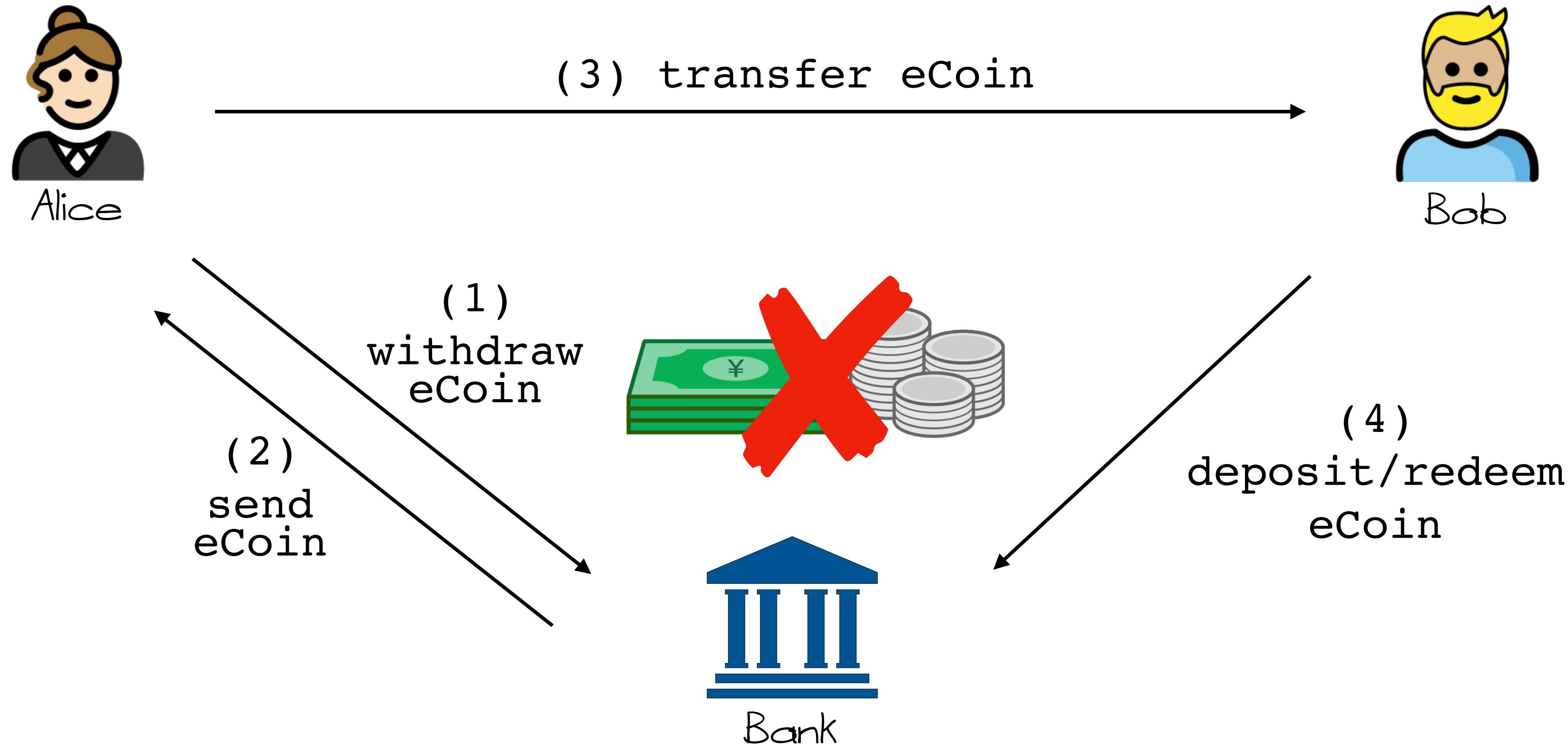
At the end of the interaction R obtains a signature σ on m , and S learns nothing about m or σ .



where can this be useful?

untraceable electronic payment system
attribute-based credentials [ABC, lecture 12 by Victor]

Chaum's Untraceable eCash System



Property Wishlist

1. Only the Bank can generate eCoins
2. Users cannot double spend eCoins (money cloning)
3. eCoins should be untraceable, like physical cash

1. How To Make Sure Only the Bank Creates eCoins?



Solution: eCoin is a bit string together with a digital signature generated using the Bank's sk
unforgeability ensures that \mathcal{A} cannot generate eCoins

2. How To Prevent Double Spending?

Easy option:

report to the bank every eCoin ever spent (upon payment the eCoin loses its value, the bank produces a new eCoin of the appropriate value for the seller) does this work?

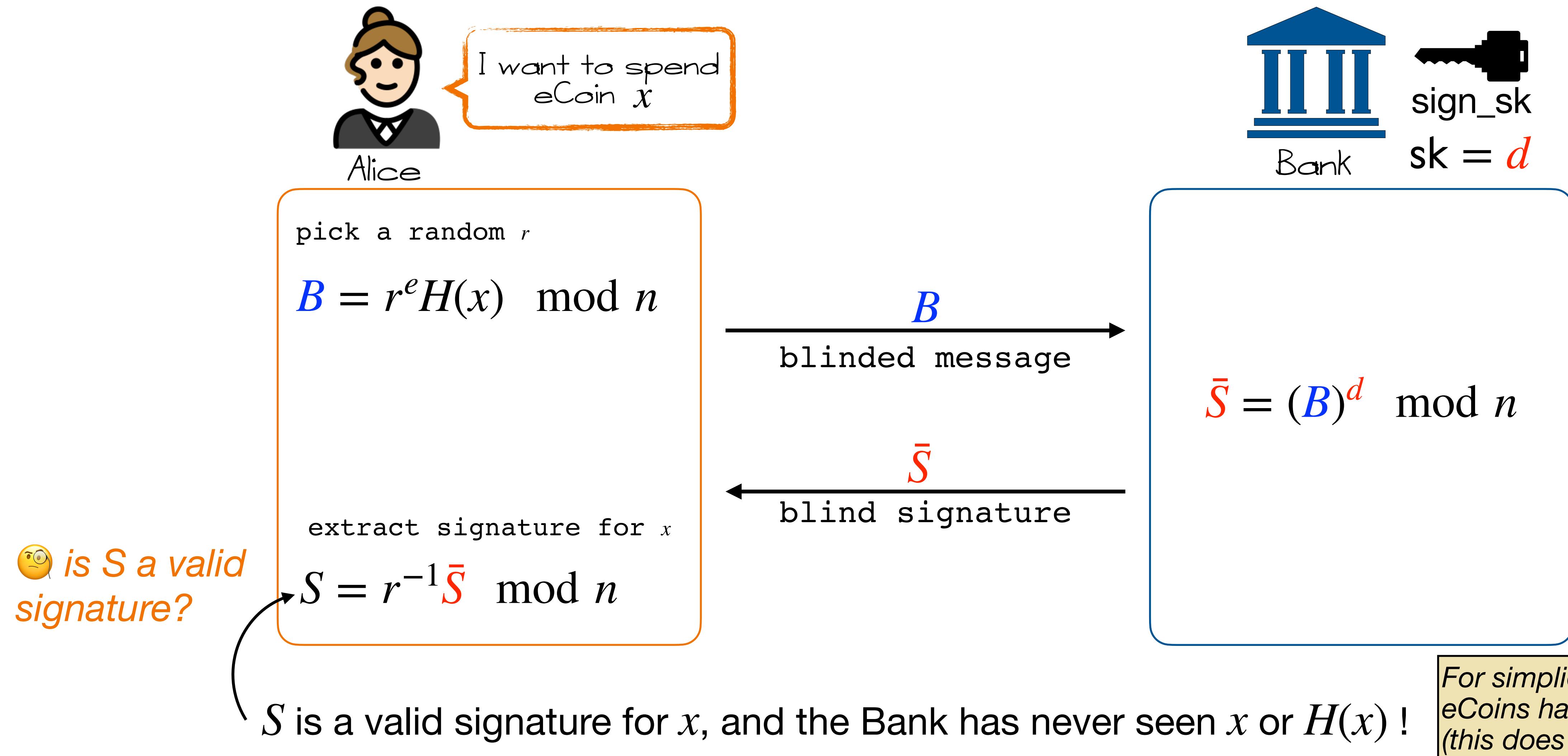
A *better* option:

remove buyer anonymity only if (s)he attempts to double spend a eCoin (blind signatures)

2&3 Prevent Double Spending and Keep eCoins Untraceable

Aim: the Bank should be able to sign an eCoin, **without knowing what eCoin it is**

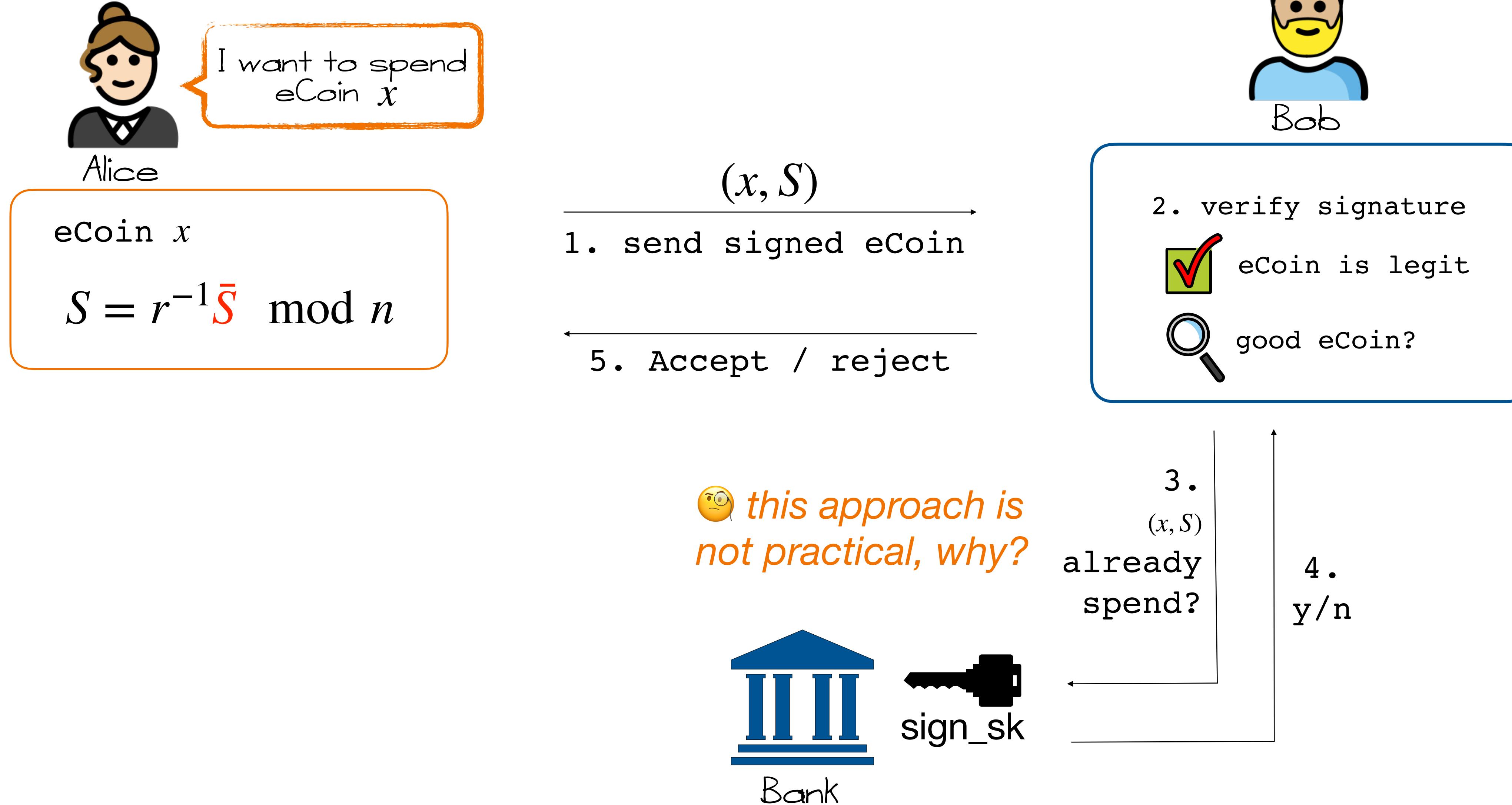
The eCoin withdrawal procedure with RSA (blind) signatures



For simplicity assume all eCoins have value 1 (this does not mean $x=1$)

2&3 Prevent Double Spending and Keep eCoins Untraceable

Spending and Redeeming eCoins



A Better Untraceable eCash Protocol - Withdrawal

Aim: Alice loses her anonymity (ID_A gets disclosed) if and only if she tries to spend the same coin twice

 ID_A

cut and
choose
technique



pick $2k$ 4-tuples of random numbers:

$$\{a_i, b_i, c_i, r_i\}_{i=1}^{2k}$$

let: $x_i = h(a_i, b_i)$

$$y_i = h(a_i \oplus ID_A, c_i)$$

compute:

$$B_i = r_i^e h(x_i, y_i) \bmod n$$

reveal the asked values

extract a signature s for the coin $x = \prod_{i \notin I} h(x_i, y_i)$:

$$S = r^{-1} \bar{S} \bmod n$$

B_1, \dots, B_{2k}
blinded values

I
indexes to check

$\{a_i, b_i, c_i, r_i\}_{i \in I}$
reveal values

\bar{S}



probabilistically verify that Alice has put her identity in every blinded value using the **Cut-and-Choose technique**

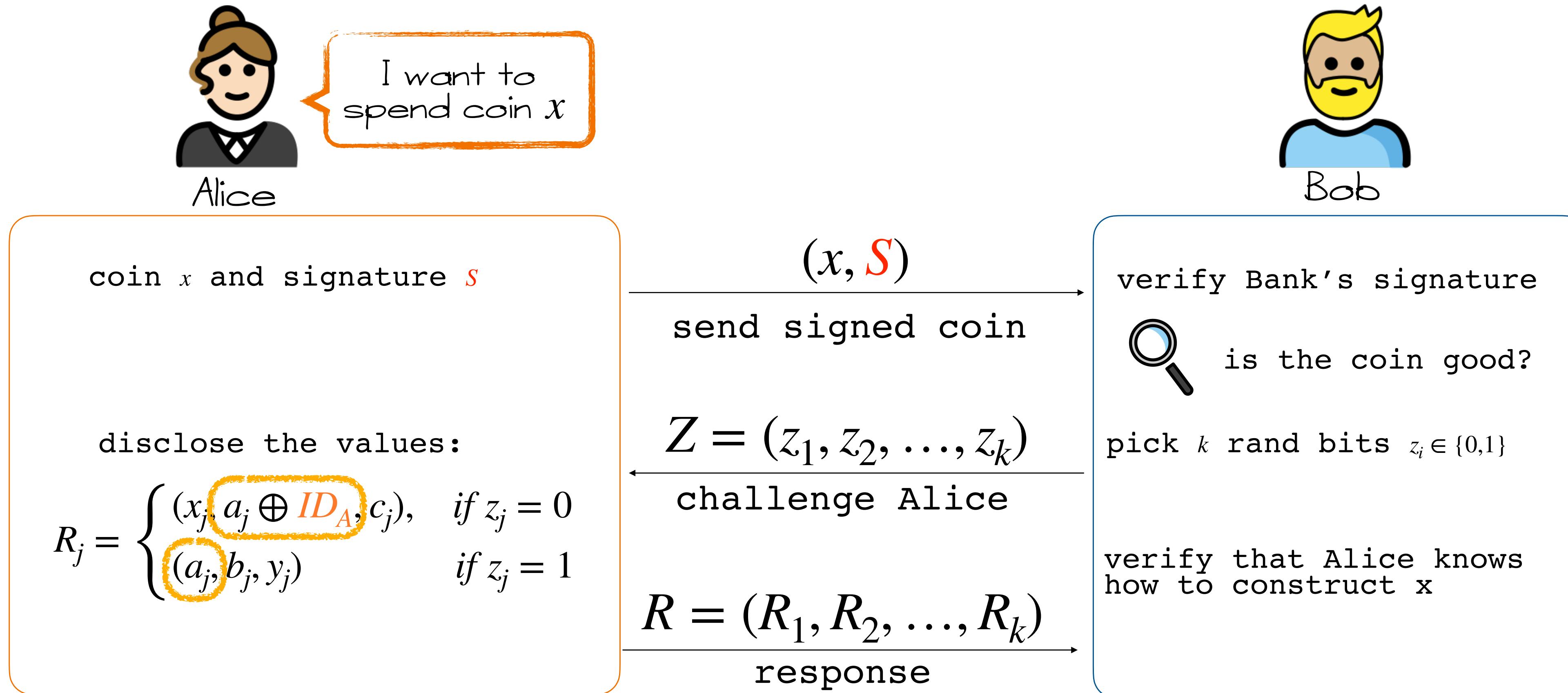
pick k random indexes:

$$I = \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k\}$$

re-compute the B_i for $i \in I$ and check that they contain ID_A . If Alice did not cheat, sign the blind value on the unblinded indexes:

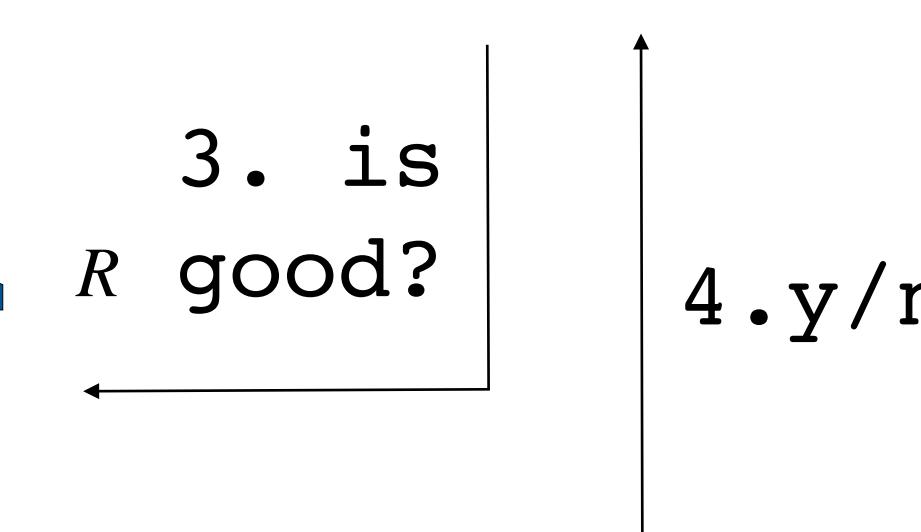
$$\bar{S} = (\prod_{i \notin I} B_i)^d \bmod n$$

A Better Untraceable eCash Protocol - Spending



if Alice tries to spend the same coin twice
then with high probability $Z \neq Z'$ so

$$\exists j, z_j = 0, z'_j = 1$$



$R_j \oplus R'_j = a_j \oplus ID_A \oplus a_j = ID_A \Rightarrow$ Alice loses her anonymity to the Bank