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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An encryption processing apparatus processing a ciphertext is disclosed. The ciphertext is a fully homomorphic ciphertext that has a value with an error as a plaintext associated with an integer and that enables an operation between integers without decryption. The encryption processing apparatus includes a processor which executes the following processes. The processor applies a first polynomial to a first ciphertext to obtain a second ciphertext, the first polynomial being configured to be able to select an operation result in units smaller than a divided region used as one plaintext symbol corresponding to the first ciphertext in a range. The processor further convers two or more of plaintext symbols corresponding to the second ciphertext to the same one plaintext symbol by applying a second polynomial to the second ciphertext, to obtain a third ciphertext corresponding to an operation result of a predetermined operation.

