

# **Watermarking Cryptographic Functionalities from Standard Lattice Assumptions**

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    /* Set up the socket */
    /* ... */

    /* Do something with the socket, e.g. send/receive data or close it */
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    /* If watermark is present, then destroy the program */
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- for all  $i$ :  $C_i(x) \neq C'(x)$  on a noticeable fraction of inputs  $x$
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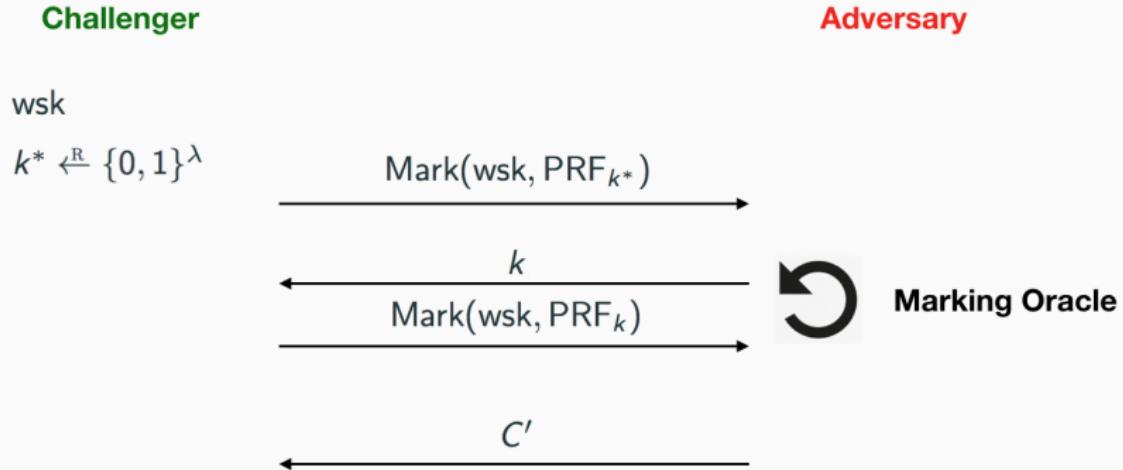
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**This work:** Focus on watermarking **PRFs** [CHNVW16, BLW17].

Enables watermarking of symmetric primitives built from PRFs (e.g., encryption, MACs, etc.)

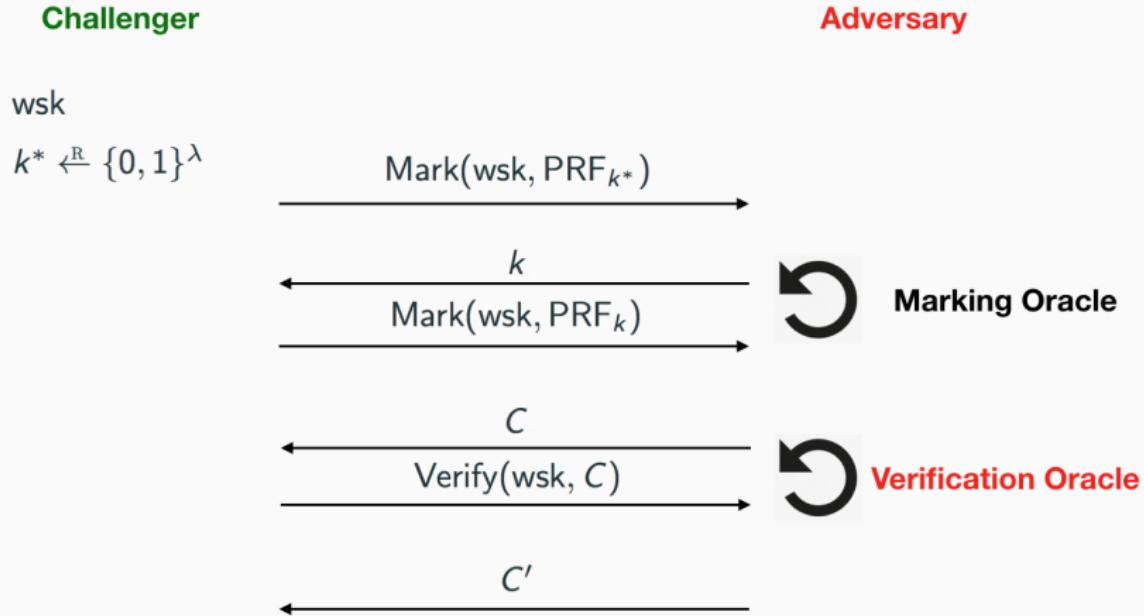
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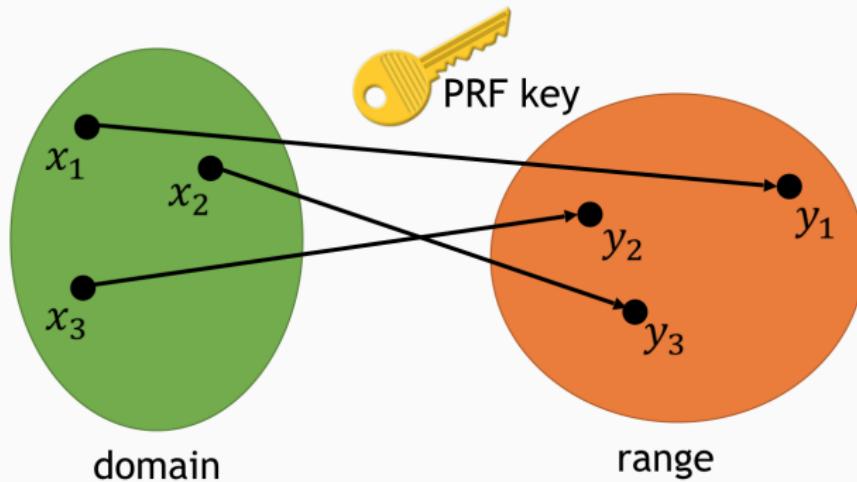
# Main Results

Construct watermarking scheme for PRFs satisfying  
*(weaker)* unremovability security definition (and unforgeability)  
from LWE

## Previous works:

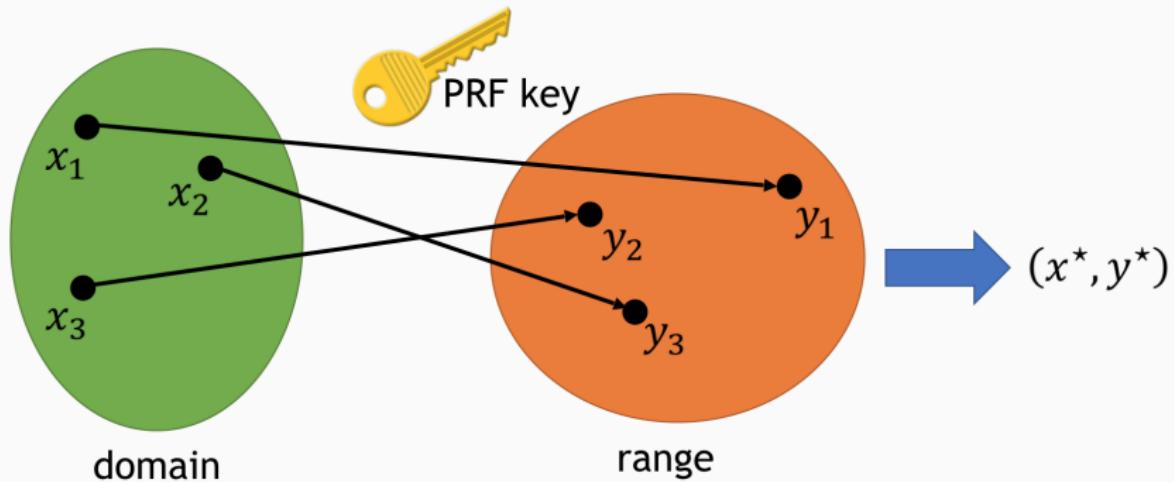
- [CHNVW16]: *(publicly verifiable)* unremovability from iO
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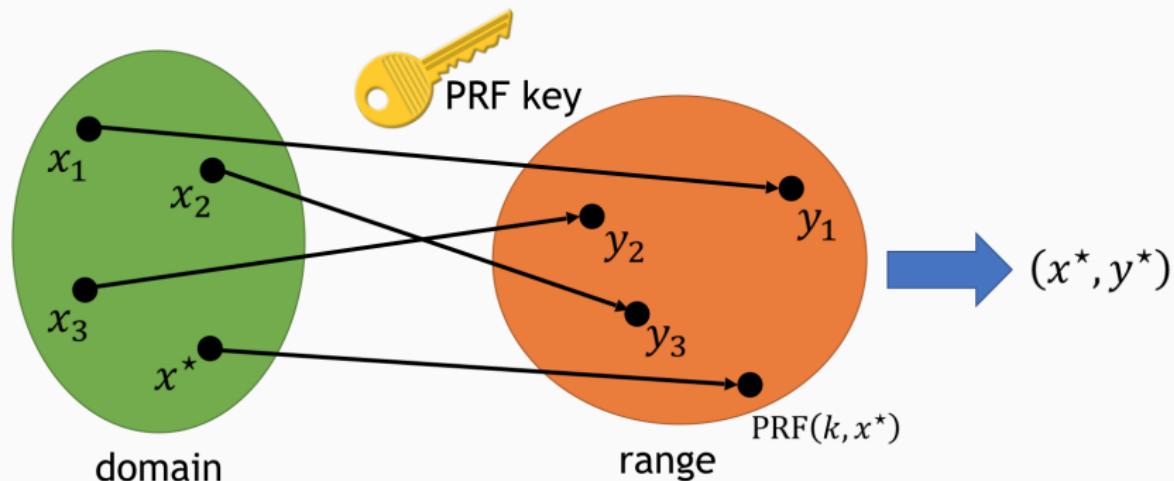
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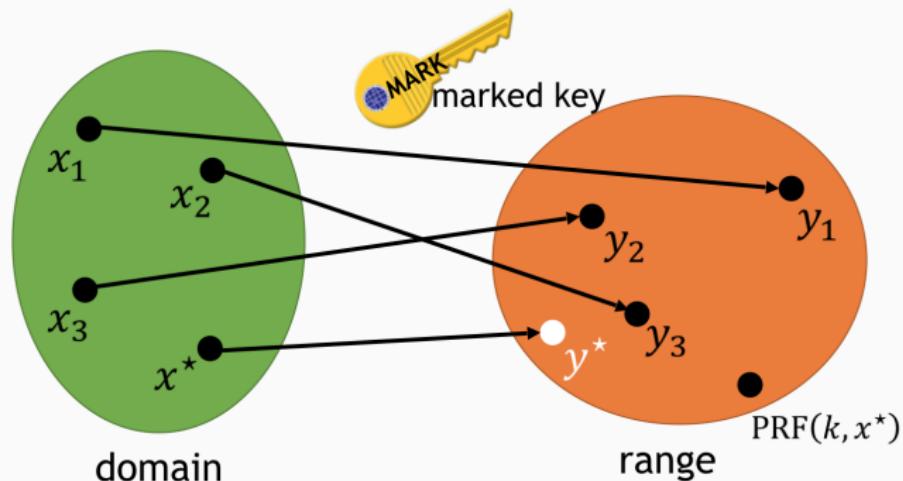
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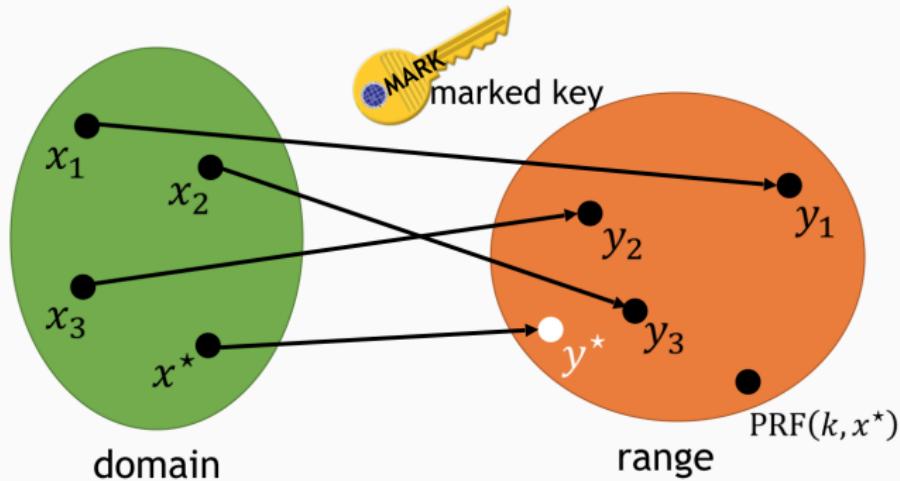
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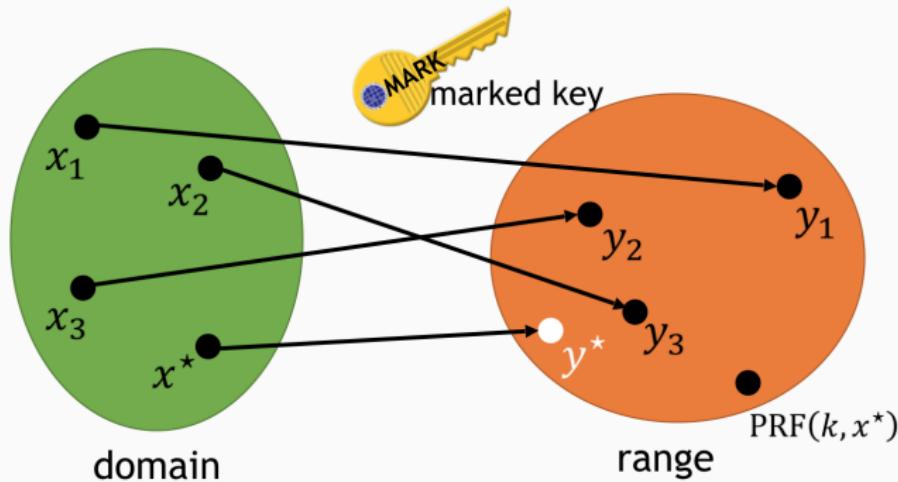
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**Functionality-preserving:** Function differs at a single point

**Unremovable:** As long as adversary cannot tell that  $(x^*, y^*)$  is “special”

Obfuscated program:

$P_{(x^*,y^*)}(x)$ :

- if  $x = x^*$ , output  $y^*$
- else, output  $\text{PRF}(k, x)$

**Prior solutions:** Use obfuscation to hide  $(x^*, y^*)$

Obfuscated program has PRF embedded inside and outputs  $\text{PRF}(k, x)$  on all inputs  $x \neq x^*$  and  $y^*$  when  $x = x^*$

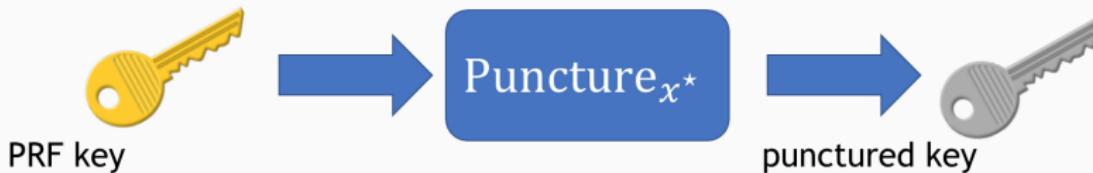
**Question:** How can we implement the blueprint just from **LWE**?

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Watermarked PRF implements PRF at all but a single point

Structurally very similar to a puncturable PRF [BW13, BGI13, KPTZ13]

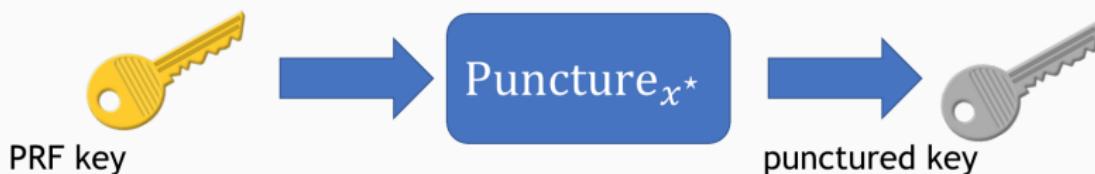
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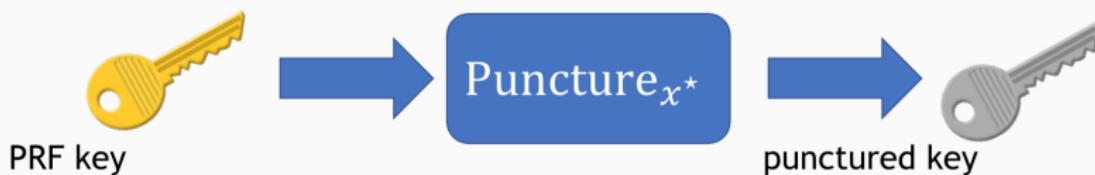


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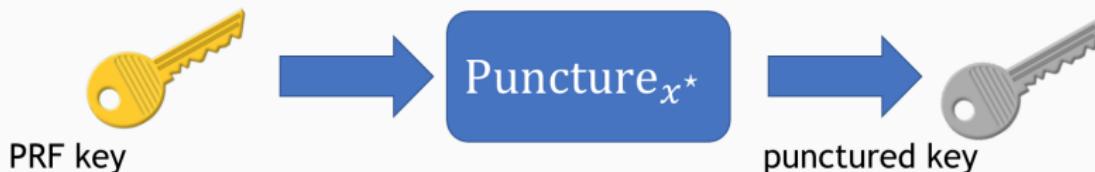
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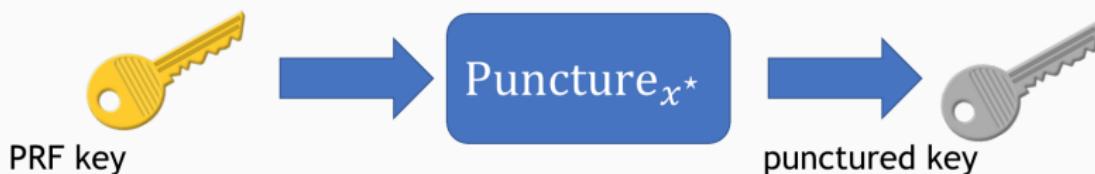
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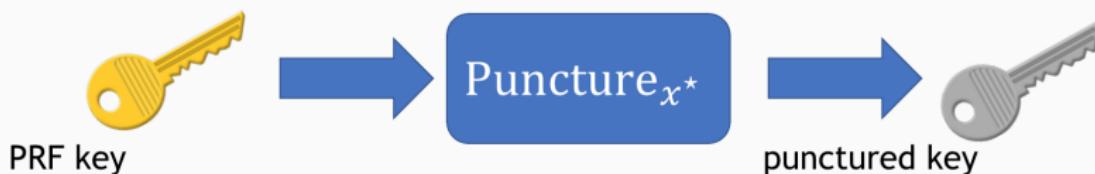


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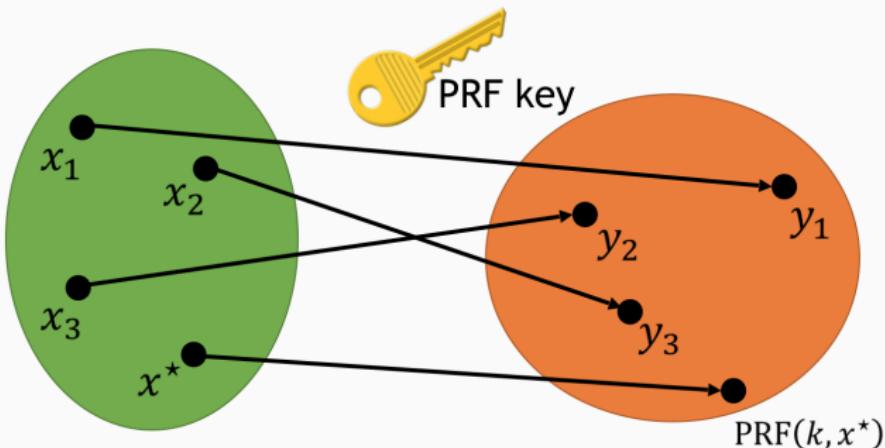
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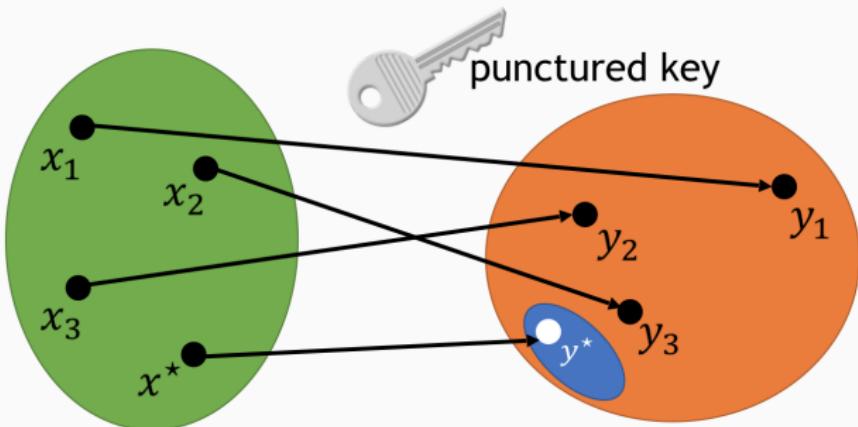
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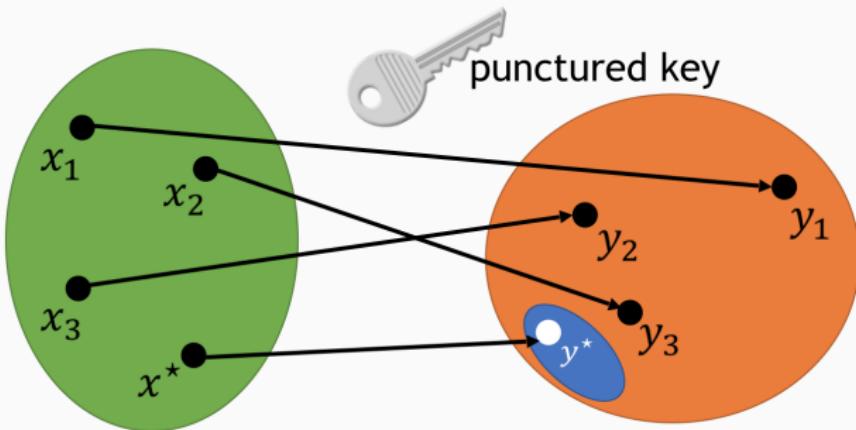
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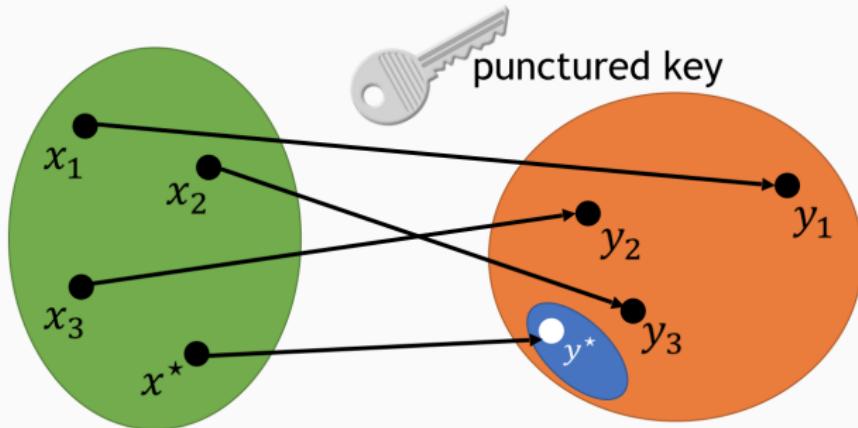
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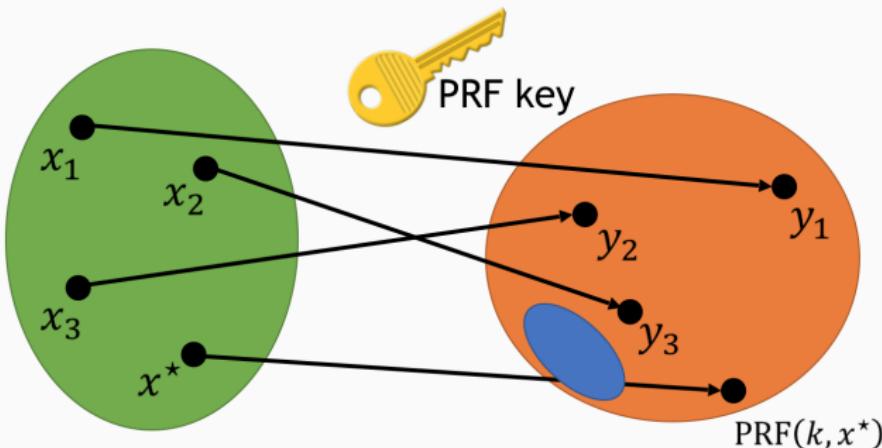
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Sets satisfying such properties are called **translucent** [CDNO97]

- Values in special set looks **indistinguishable** from a **random value** (without secret testing key)
- Indistinguishable even through it is **easy to sample** values from the set

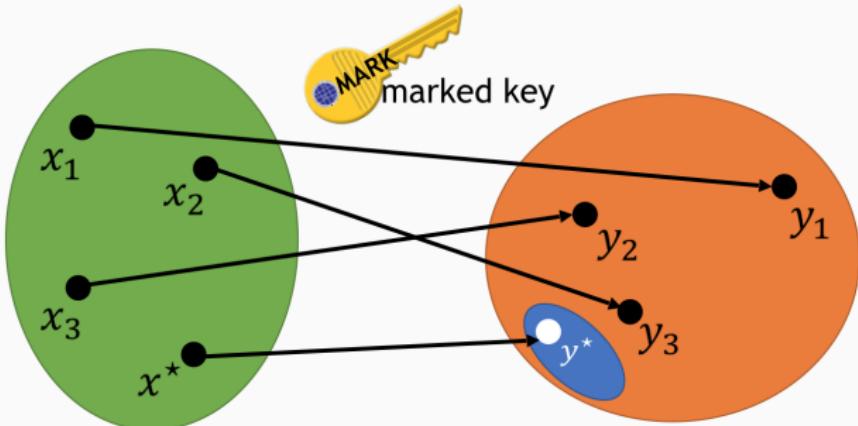
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- Test points  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_d$
- Testing key for private translucent PRF

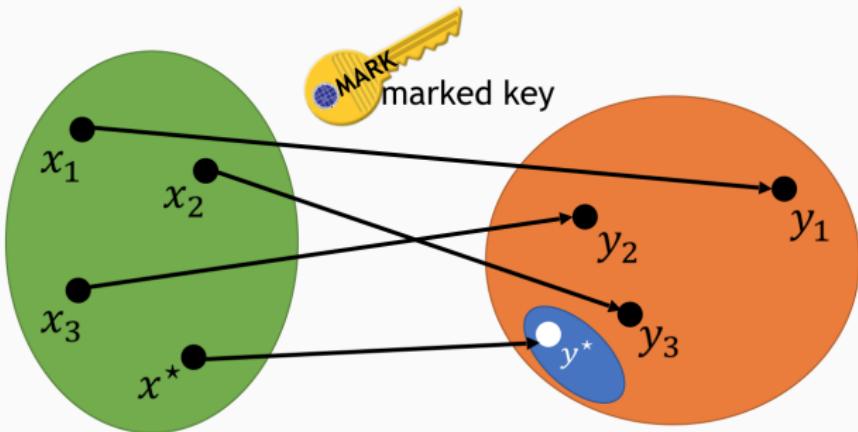
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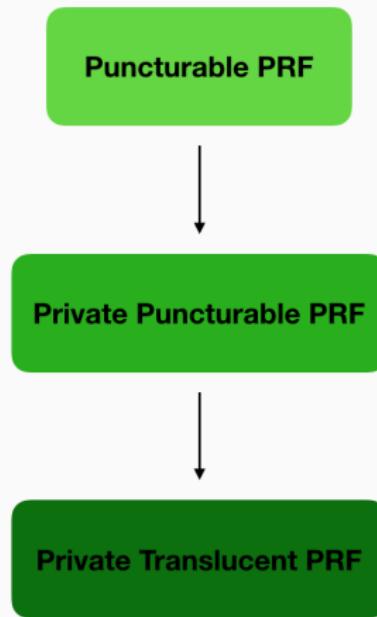
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# **Constructing Private Translucent PRFs from Lattices**

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# Road Map



# Learning with Errors [Reg05]

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**Question**: What is a suitable way to **derive**  $\mathbf{A}_x$ ?

## Gadget matrix [MP12]

Gadget matrix  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times m}$

There is an efficiently computable function  $\mathbf{G}^{-1}(\cdot)$  such that:

- $\mathbf{G}^{-1} : \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times m} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{m \times m}$
- for all  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times m}$ :

$$\mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{G}^{-1}(\mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{C}$$

Implementation:

- $\mathbf{G}^{-1}$  is the *bit decomposition* function
- $\mathbf{G}$  consists of *powers-of-2*

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**Multiplication:** To compute  $x_i \cdot x_j$

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$$\text{eq}_{x,i}(\mathbf{c}, w_i) = \begin{cases} w_i & x = \mathbf{c} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Constrained key evaluation at  $\mathbf{c}$ :

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⋮

$$\mathbf{s}^T (\mathbf{A}_{\text{IP} \circ \text{Eval}_{\text{eq}_{x,N}}} + w_N \cdot \mathbf{G}_N) + \text{noise}$$

Choose  $w_1, \dots, w_N$  such that

$$\mathbf{D} = \sum_{i \in [N]} \mathbf{A}_{\text{IP} \circ \text{Eval}_{\text{eq}_{x,i}}} + \sum_{i \in [N]} w_i \cdot \mathbf{G}_i$$

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$$[\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{D}]_p$$

Watermark key includes short vector  $\mathbf{w}$  such that

$$\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$$

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