

Fully Homomorphic Encryption

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What Are You Searching For?

The Google logo is displayed in its characteristic multi-colored font: blue 'G', red 'o', yellow 'o', blue 'g', green 'l', and red 'e'.

We know

A search input field with a vertical cursor on the left and a microphone icon on the right.

Google Search

I'm Feeling Lucky

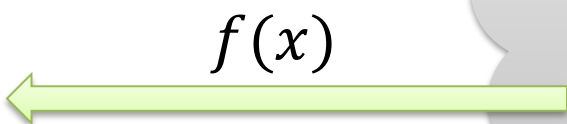
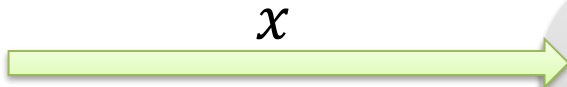
Medical information, navigation, email, business information, other personal information...

Want privacy!

Outsourcing Computation

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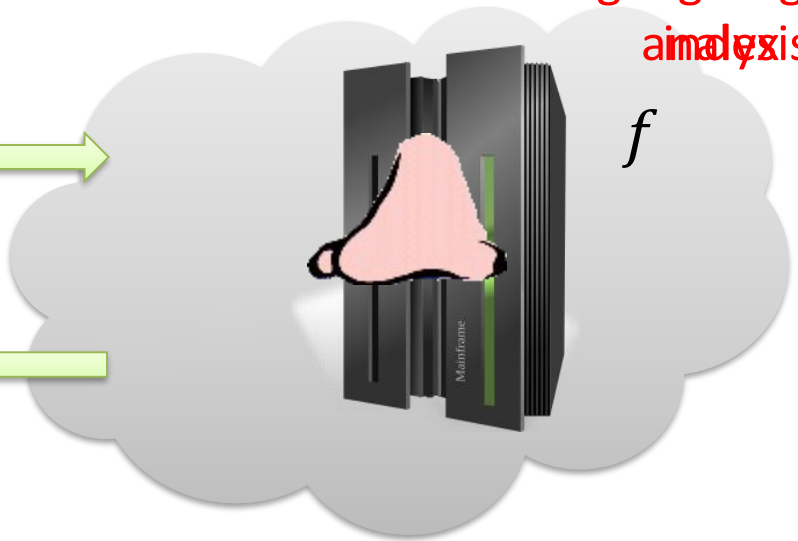
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What if x is private?

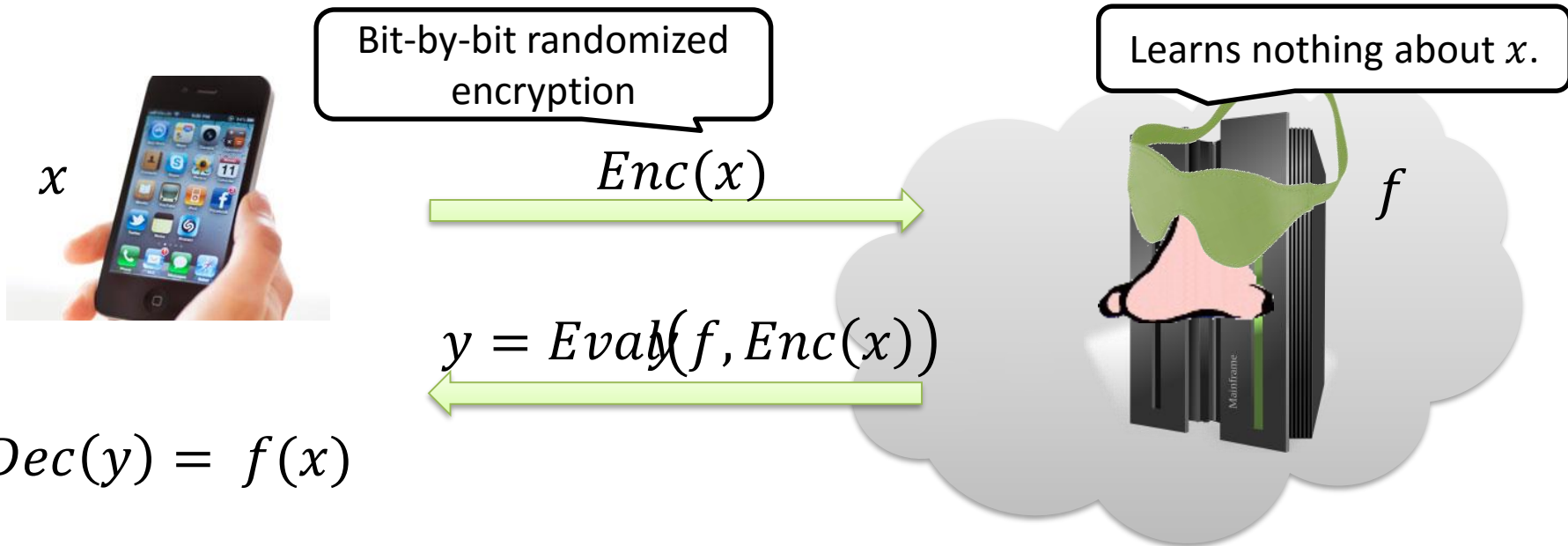
How to Keep Private From the Cloud

We promise we wont look at your data. Honest!



We want real protection.

Fully Homomorphic Encryption (FHE)



Fully Homomorphic = Homomorphism for **any** efficient f

Homomorphic
 $f, Enc(x)$

computational model: f given as circuit

Goal: $Eval$ for **universal** set of gates
($NAND(x,y)=1-xy$)

Some Applications



In the cloud:

- Private outsourcing of computation.
- Near-optimal private outsourcing of storage (single-server PIR). [G09,BV11b]
- Verifiable outsourcing (delegation). [GGP11,CKV11,KRR13,KRR15]
- Private machine learning in the cloud. [GLN12,HW13]

Secure multiparty computation:

- Low-communication multiparty computation. [AJLTVW12,LTV12]
- More efficient MPC. [BDOZ11,DPSZ12,DKLPSS12]

Primitives:

- Succinct argument systems. [GLR11,DFH11,BCCT11,BC12,BCCT12,BCGT13,...]
- General functional encryption. [GKPVZ12]
- Indistinguishability obfuscation for all circuits. [GGHRSW13]

Making Crypto History

A FULLY HOMOMORPHIC ENCRYPTION SCHEME

A DISSERTATION
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Craig Gentry
September 2009

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addition [RSA78, R79, GM82,
99, R05].

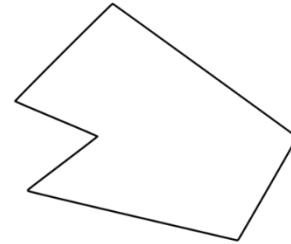
on + 1 multiplication
5, GHV10].

variants [SYY99, IP07,
0].

... is it even possible?

FHE Challenges

Understanding.



Security.

- Cryptographic assumptions.
- Security notions.



Efficiency.

- Size of keys/ciphertexts.
- Time overhead for Eval.
- Computational model.



Constructing (Somewhat) Homomorphic Encryption

Basic Idea: Find scheme s.t.

$$c \approx m + 2e$$

Diagram illustrating the basic idea of homomorphic encryption. The equation $c \approx m + 2e$ is shown. Arrows point from the labels below to the variables: "ciphertext" points to c , "message" points to m , and "small (even) noise" points to e . A red arrow points from the text "secret algebraic equivalence e.g. (mod p) for secret p" to the approximation symbol \approx .

Add/multiply ciphertexts \Rightarrow Add/multiply messages

Security?

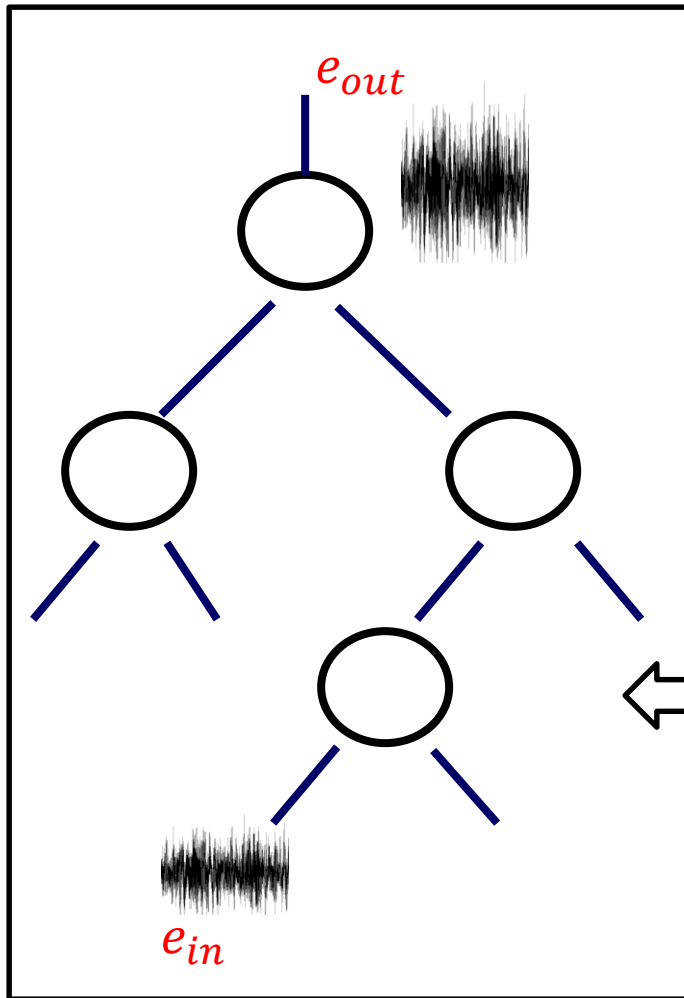
Noise grows with homomorphic evaluation –
must not grow “too much”!

In the example above: $|e_{mult}| \approx |e_{in}|^2$

Noise in Homomorphic Evaluation

Noise grows during homomorphic evaluation

Depth d



$$|e_{out}| \leq E^{2^d}$$

...

$$|e_{i+1}| \leq |e_i|^2$$

$$|e_{in}| \leq E$$

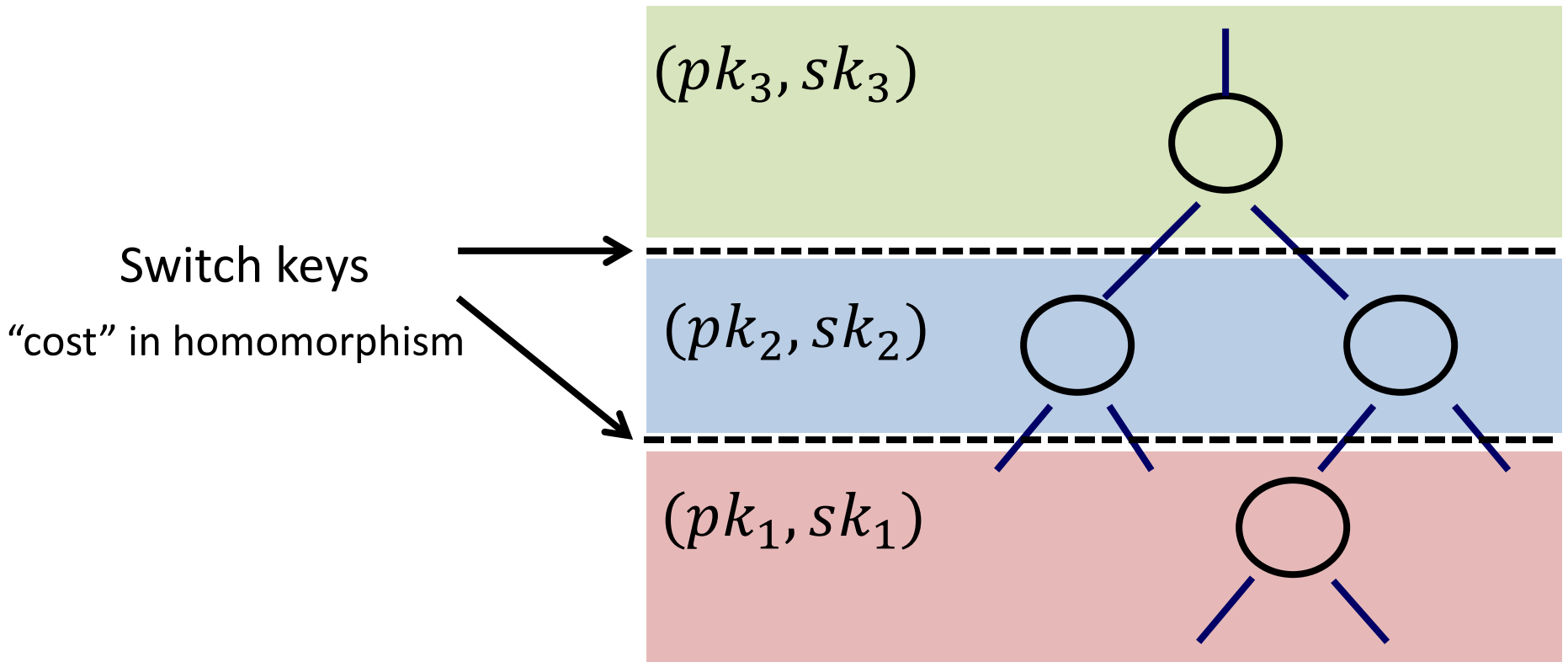
Some of the Progress Since 2009

- From ad-hoc assumption to worst-case lattice assumption [BV11b,BGV12,BV14].
 - As secure as any other encryption scheme.
- Noise is down to $|e_{mult}| \approx k \cdot |e_{in}|$ [BGV12,B12,GSW13,BV14].
 - $|e_{out}| \leq k^d \cdot E$ (instead of E^{2^d}).
 - “Leveled” FHE.
- Using polynomial rings to improve efficiency [G09,SV10,BV11a,BGV12,GHS12a,GHS12b,GHS12c,GHPS13,AP13].
- “Batching” many messages in single ciphertext [SV10,BGV12,GHS12a,GHS12b,GHS12c,HS15].
- But still need “bootstrapping” to get full homomorphism...

Bootstrapping [G09]

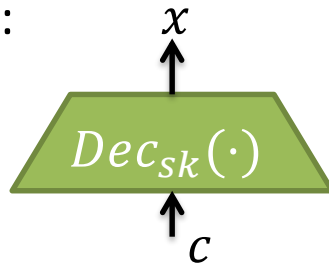
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How to extend its homomorphic capability?

Idea: Do a few operations, then “switch” to a new instance

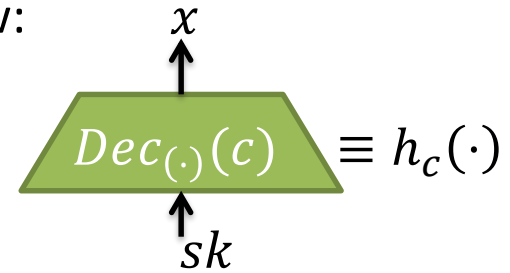


How to Switch Keys

Decryption circuit:



Dual view:



$$h_c(sk) = Dec_{sk}(c) = x$$

given c , server can compute circuit for $h_c(\cdot)$

Apply $h_c(\cdot)$ **homomorphically** on sk ! $aux = Enc_{pk'}(sk)$

$$\begin{aligned} Eval_{pk'}(h_c, aux) &= Eval_{pk'}(h_c, Enc_{pk'}(sk)) \\ &= Enc_{pk'}(h_c(sk)) = Enc_{pk'}(Dec_{sk}(c)) \\ &= Enc_{pk'}(x) \end{aligned}$$

hom. capacity of output:

$$d_{hom} - d_{h_c} = d_{hom} - d_{dec}$$

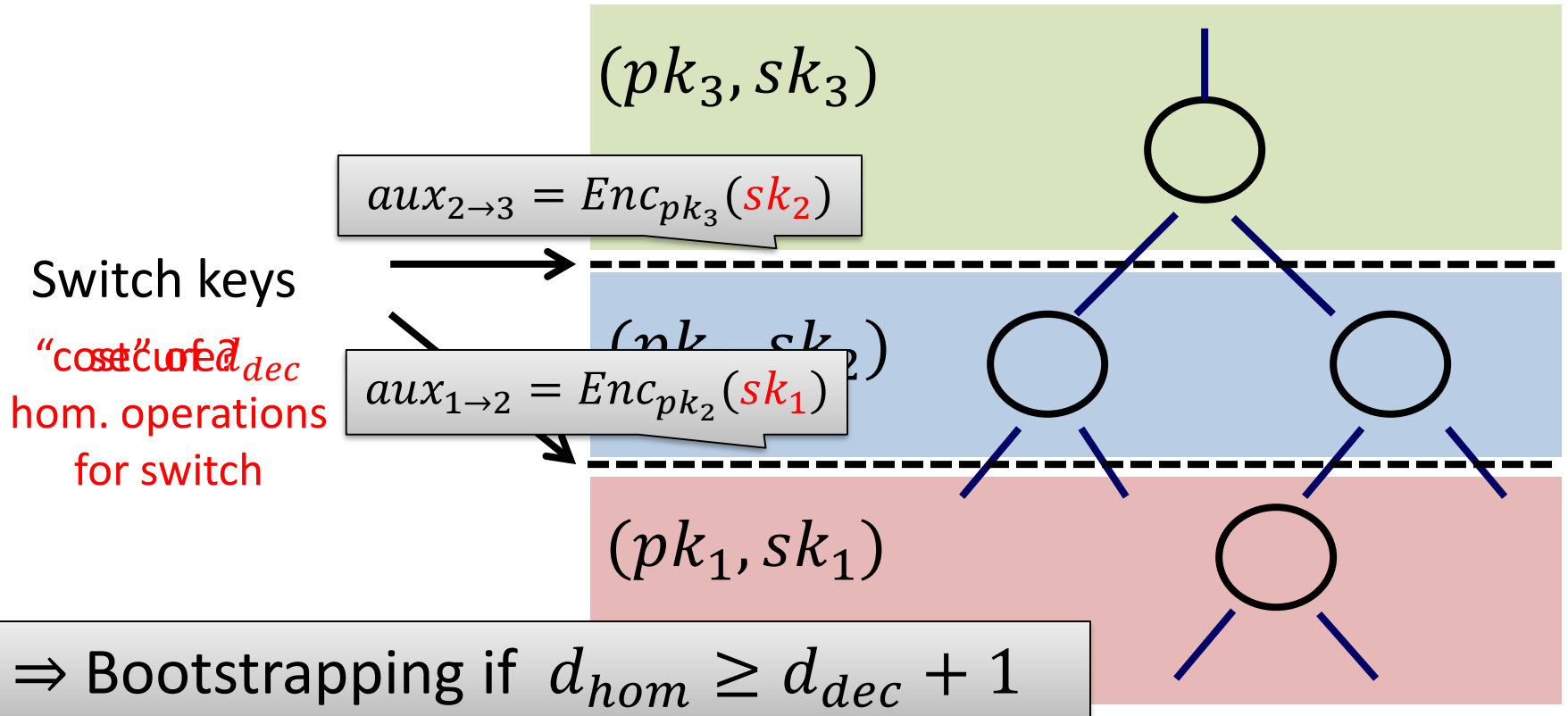
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How to extend

Downside: Need to generate many keys...

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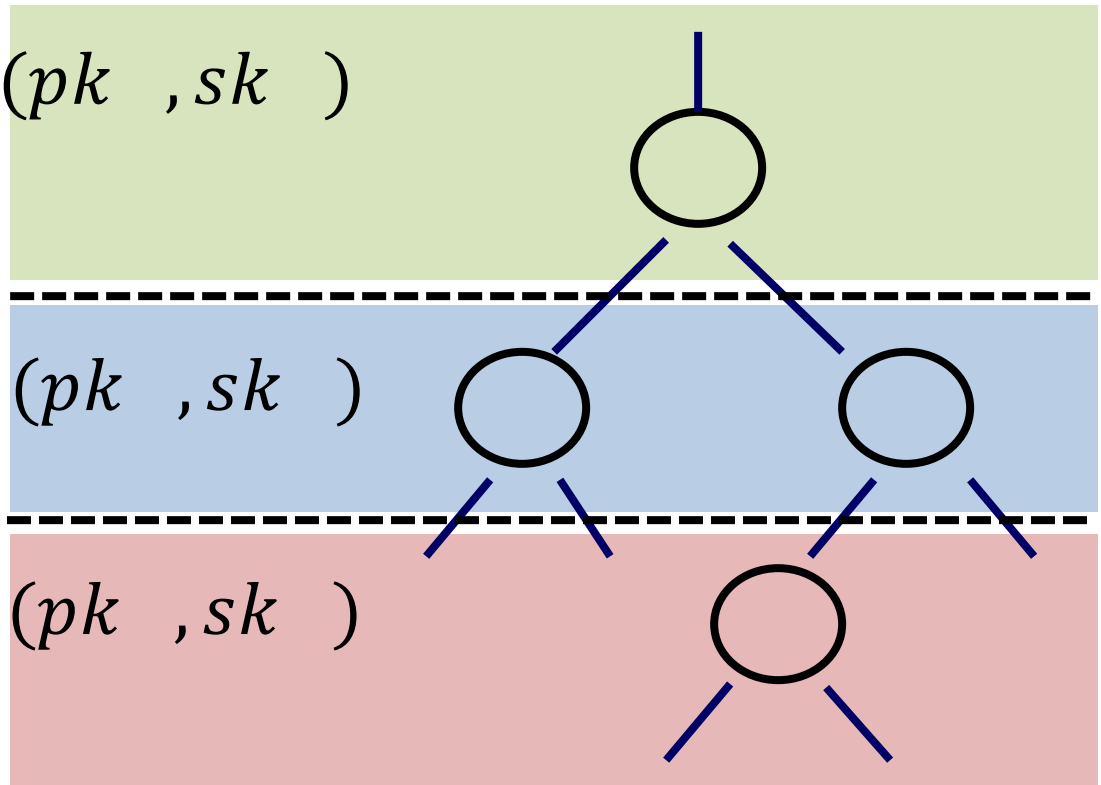
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$$aux = Enc_{pk}(sk)$$

(pk, sk)



switch from key to itself!

functionality of
switching works

circular security
required

(Some) Public Implementations of FHE

- HElib (IBM/NYU)
 - Ring-LWE (ideal-lattice) scheme of [BGV12], optimizations of [GHS12a]
 - <https://github.com/shaih/HElib>
- “Stanford FHE”
 - LWE scheme of [B12] with optimizations
 - <http://cs.stanford.edu/~dwu4/fhe.html>
- FHEW (UCSD)
 - Ring-LWE scheme of [DM14], built upon approximate eigenvector approach of [GSW13,BV14,AP14]
 - No batching but very fast bootstrapping
 - <https://github.com/lucas/FHEW>

So Where is That Homomorphic Google Search?

- Circuit model = huge overhead.
 - Inherent? Need to touch all elements to not leak.
- Bootstrapping is expensive.
 - No known alternative for deep computations.
- Memory requirements are huge (GBs).
 - Large ciphertexts, long keys.
 - Can “batch” to reduce overhead.

Thank You!