

Rotatable Zero Knowledge Sets

Post Compromise Secure Auditable Dictionaries with
application to Key Transparency

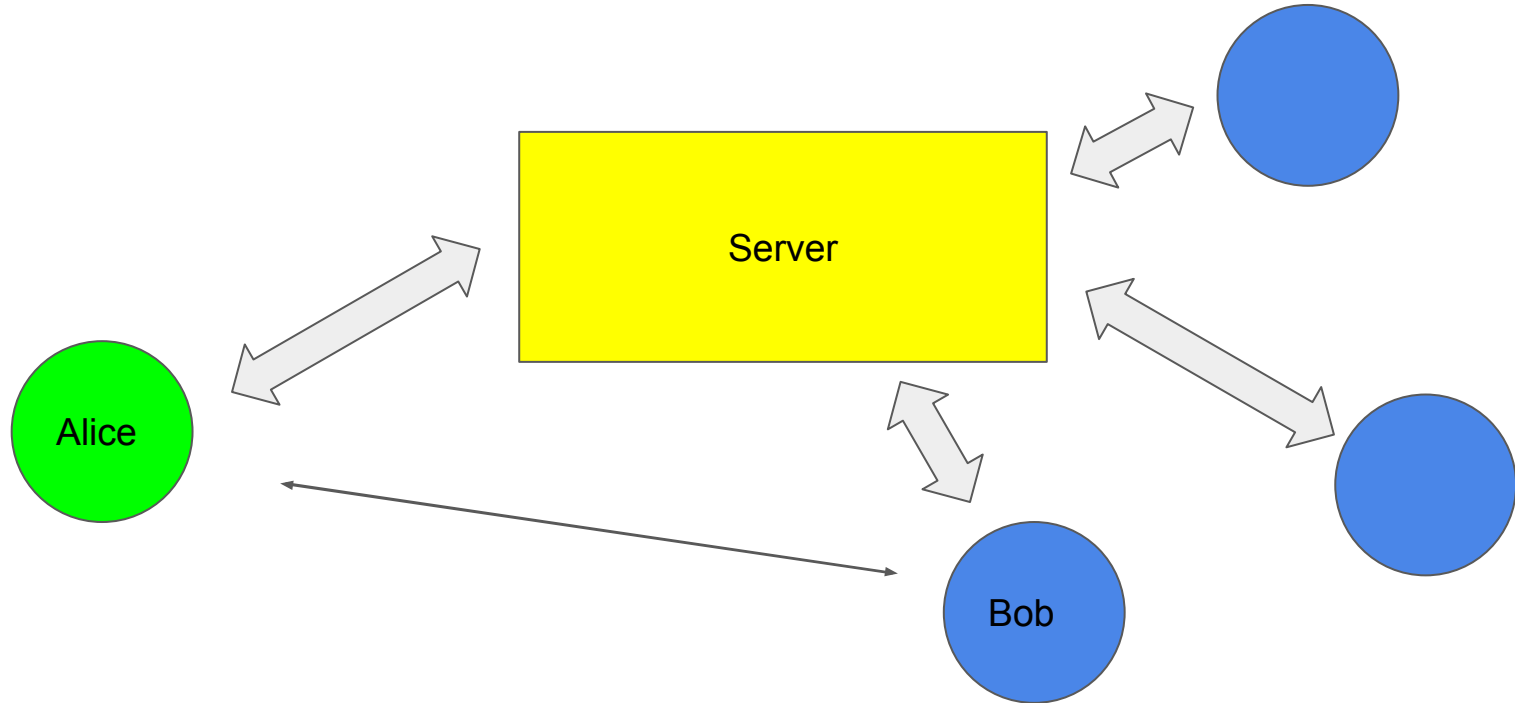
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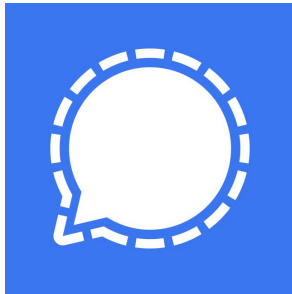
Outline

- Motivation (E2EE, Key Transparency, Authenticated Dictionaries)
- Definition of underlying primitive (Rotatable Verifiable Random Function)
- RVRF construction
- Sketch of RVRF zero knowledge proof
- Open Questions

End-to-End Encrypted (E2EE) Communication Systems



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Key Transparency/Auditable Dictionaries

Users can verify their public key is stored correctly using proof π and commitment **com**

Alice	MIIBCg
Bob	6Sj/6L
Carol	+xGZ/w



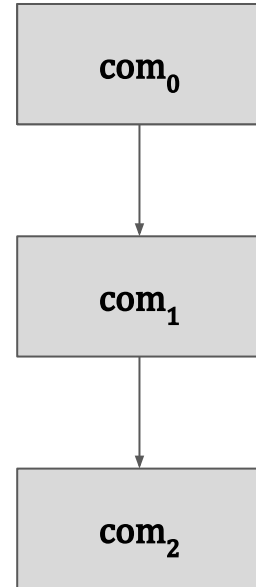
Identity



pk

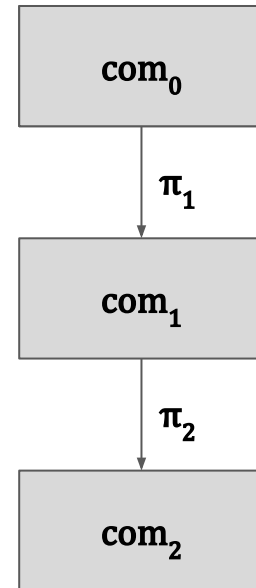
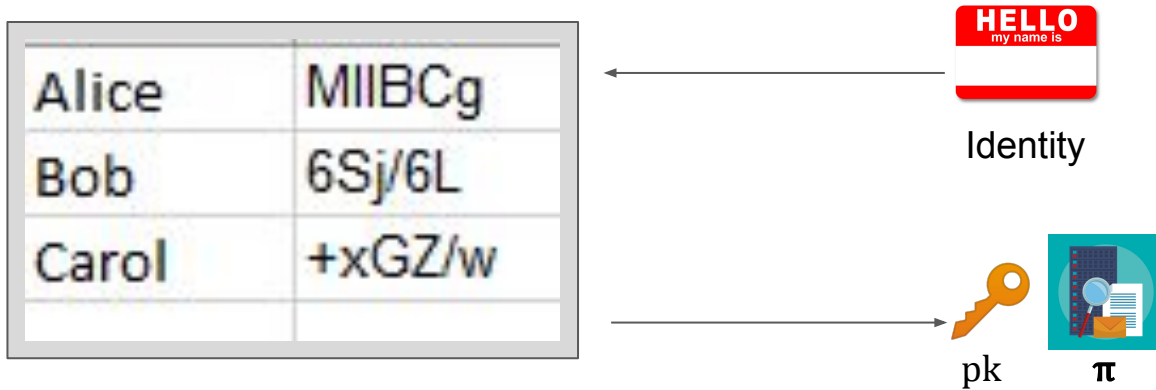


π

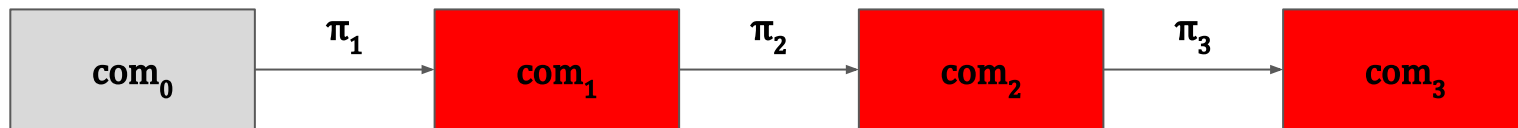
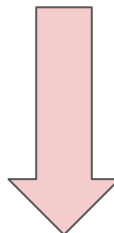
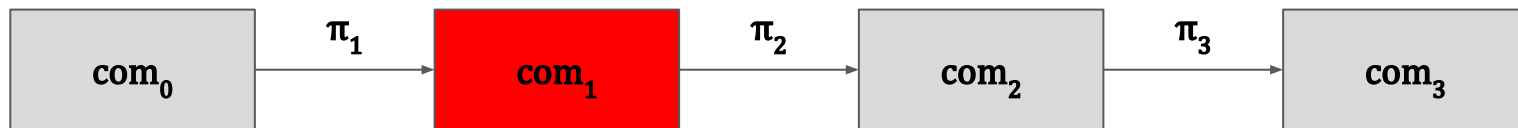


Key Transparency/Auditable Dictionaries

Auditors can verify commitments are updated correctly using π_i



Privacy Totally Lost on Corruption



Our Contribution

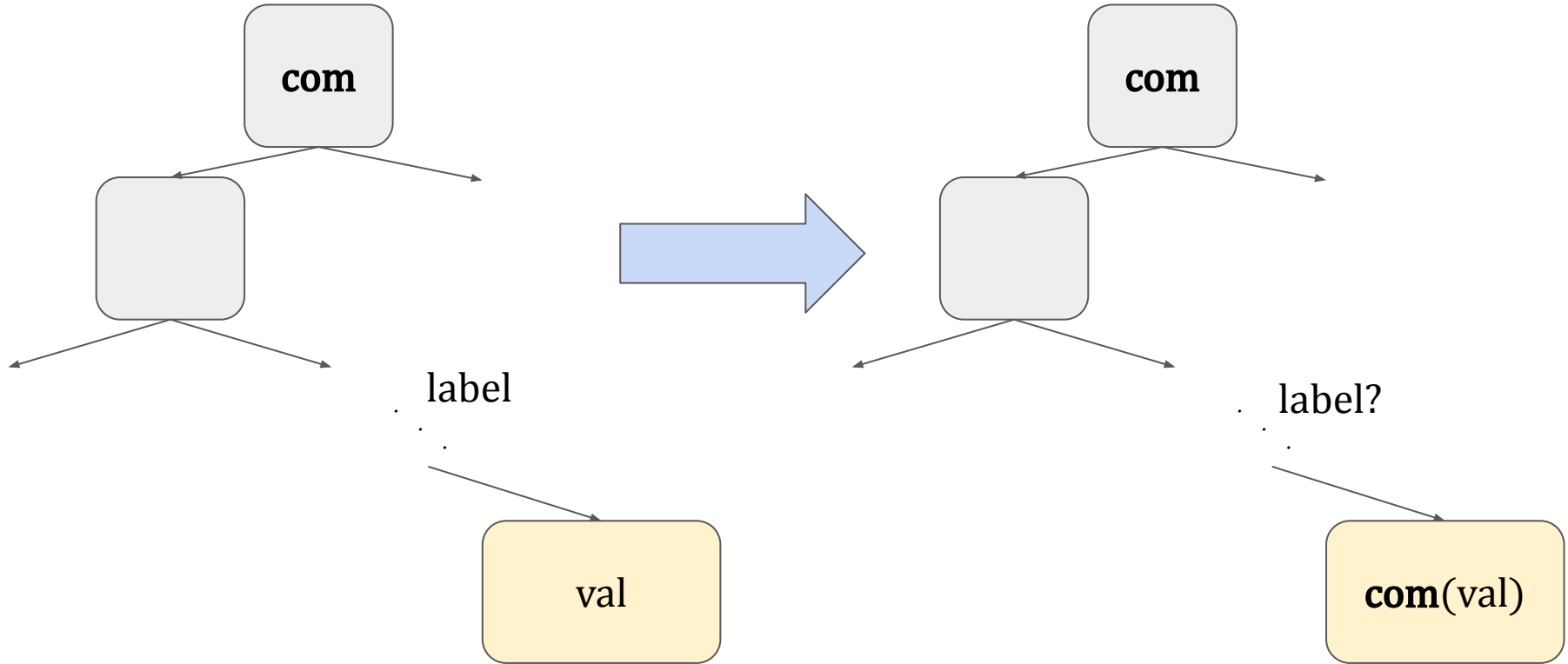
Post-Compromise Security (PCS)

Modeling: Rotatable Zero Knowledge Sets (RZKS)

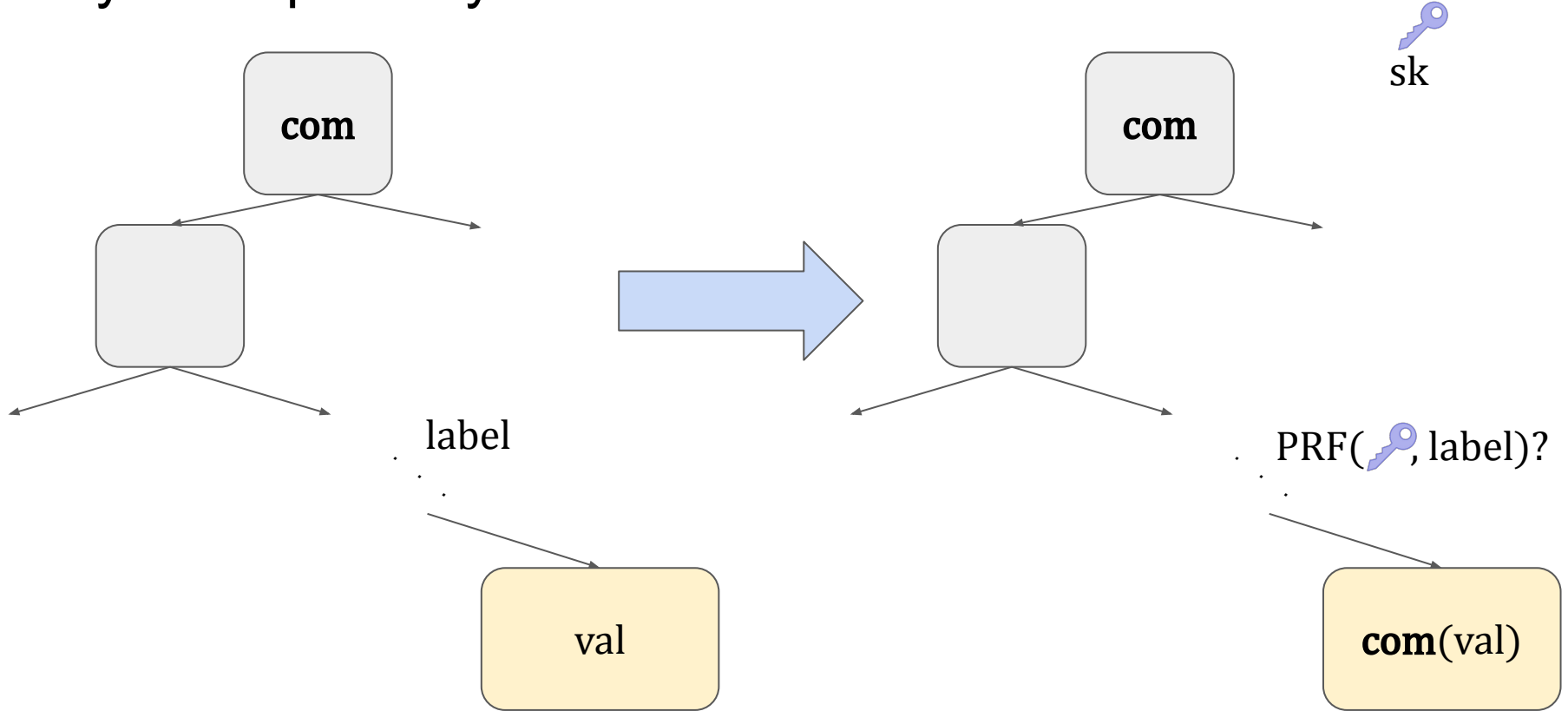
Rotatable Verifiable Random Functions (RVRF)

(Also: extension proofs, stronger soundness)

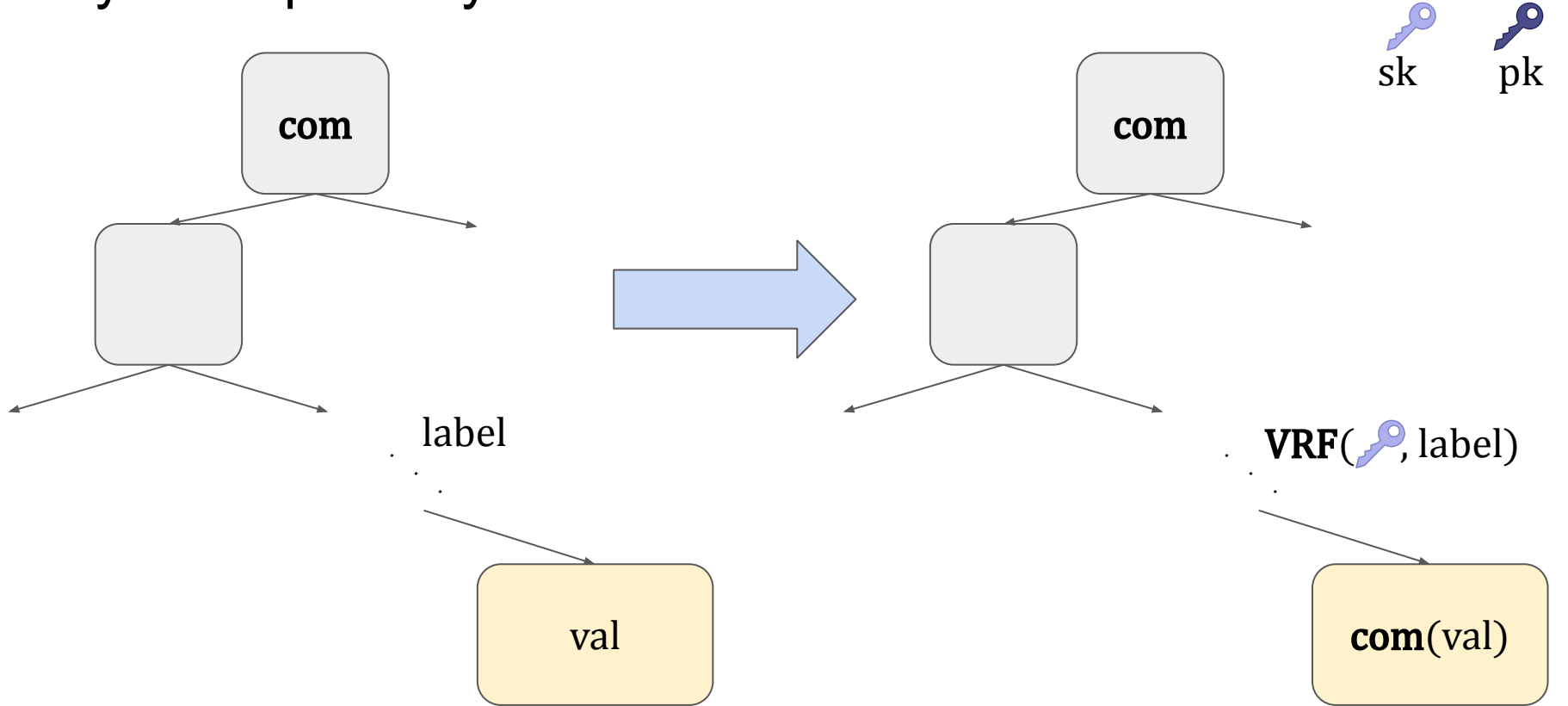
Key Transparency - SEEMless





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VRF

KeyGen \rightarrow  


sk

pk

Query(, x) \rightarrow (, π)

Verify(, x, y, π) \rightarrow 0/1

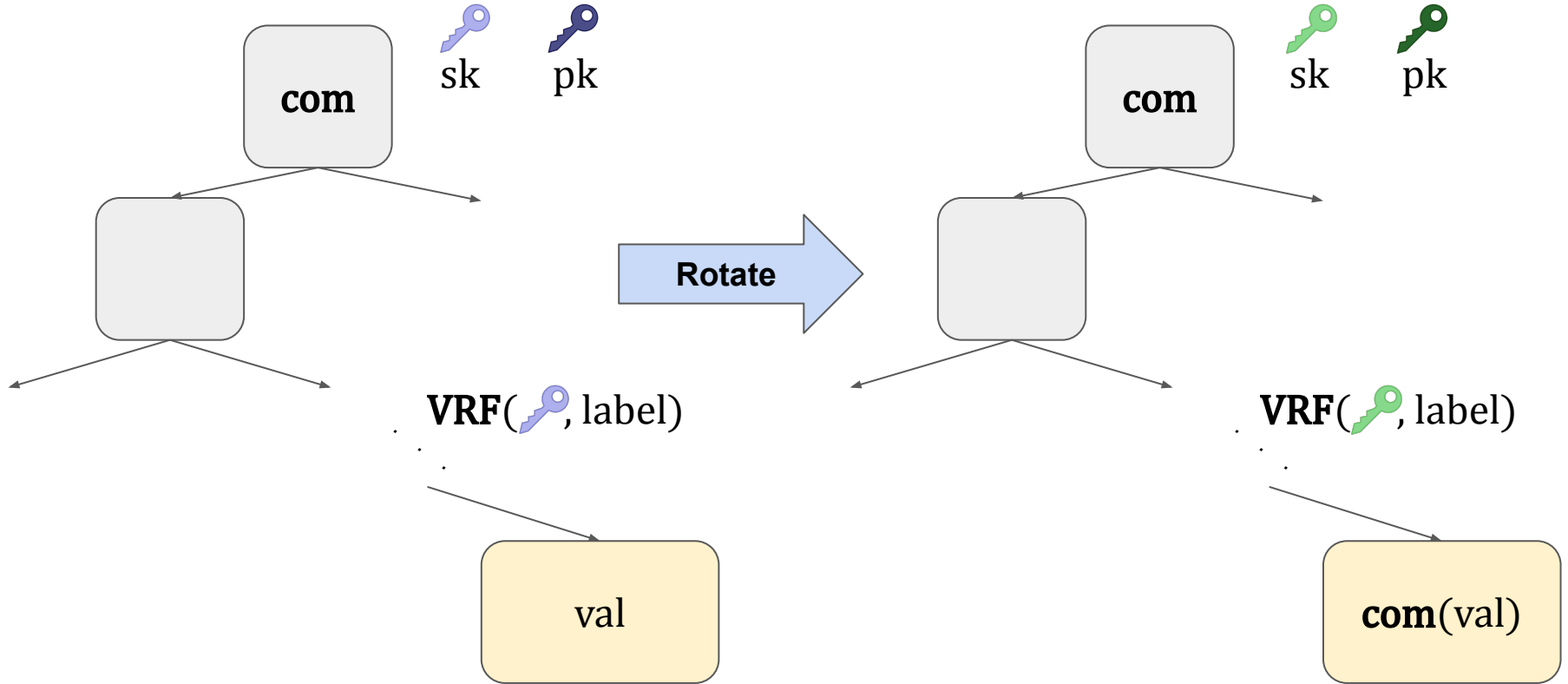
Uniqueness:

Verify \rightarrow 1 iff y = 

Pseudorandomness

 looks random

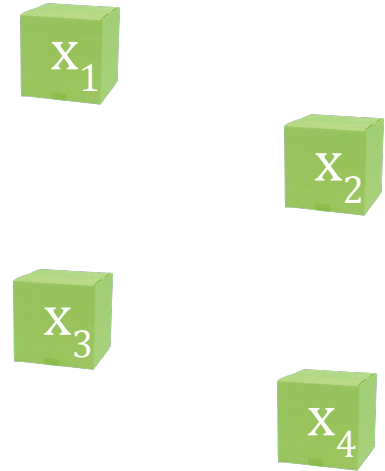
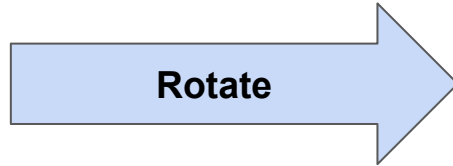
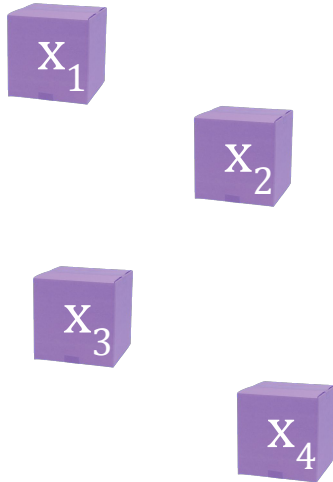
Key Rotation





Rotatable VRF



$$\text{X} = \text{VRF}(\text{key}, x)$$

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Rotatable VRF



KeyGen \rightarrow  , 
sk , pk

Query(, x) \rightarrow ( x , π)

Verify(, x, y, π) \rightarrow 0/1

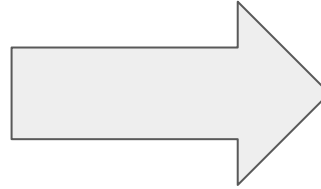
Rotate(, x_1, \dots, x_k) \rightarrow  ,  , π_{rot}
sk , pk , π_{rot}

VerRotate(, , $y_1, \dots, y_k, y_1', \dots, y_k'$) \rightarrow 0/1

VerRotate \rightarrow 1 iff $y_i =$  x_i and $y_i' =$  x_i

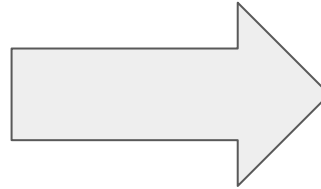
Rotatable VRF Security

Uniqueness



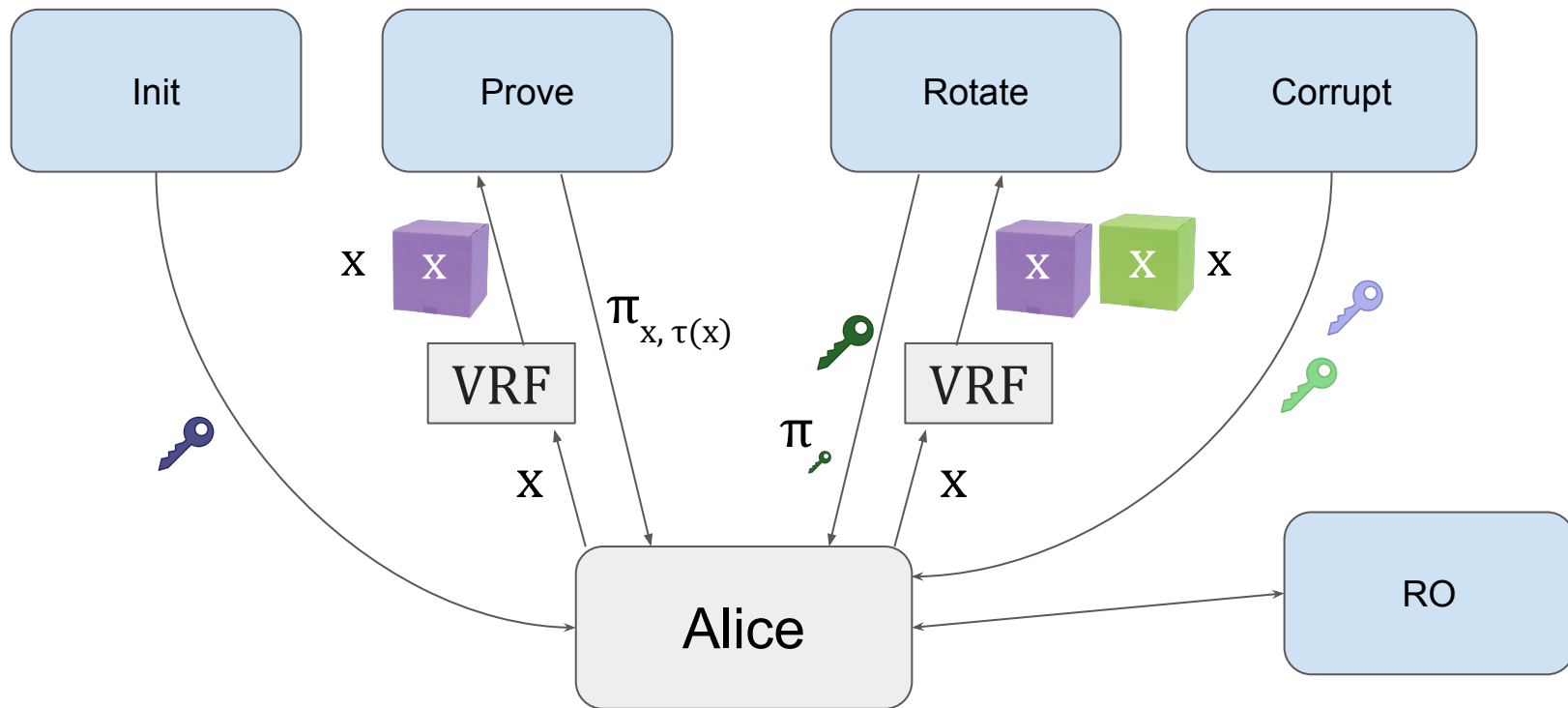
Extractability

Pseudorandomness

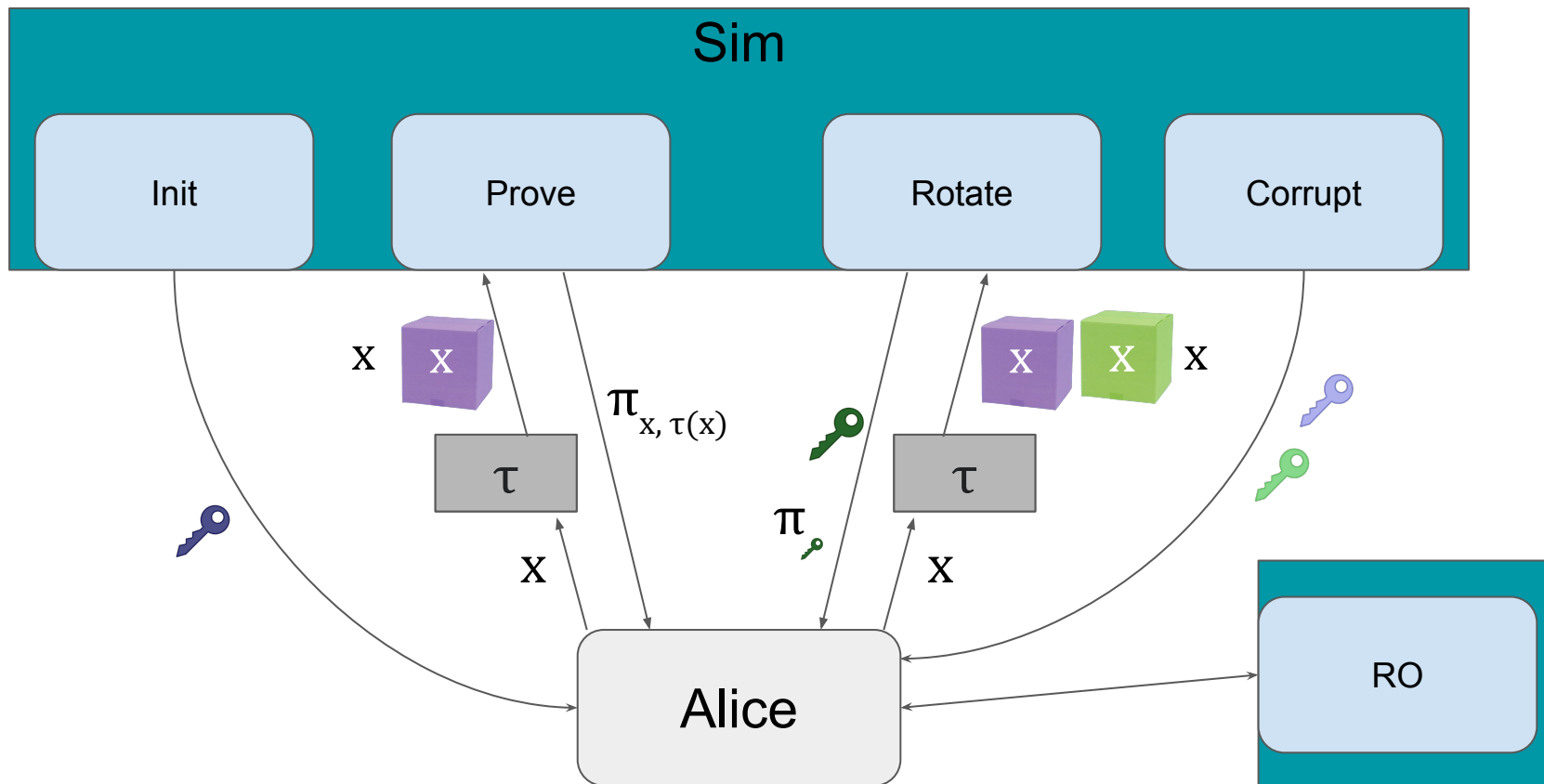


Zero-Knowledge

Rotatable VRF Security - Zero Knowledge



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DDH Tuples

(g, h, g^a, h^a)

[ChaumPederson93]: ZK proof

Standard VRF [GRPV22]

$F : M \rightarrow G$ (random oracle)

g (group generator)

KeyGen \rightarrow sk, pk = g^{sk}

VRF(sk, x) = $F(x)^{\text{sk}}$

Standard VRF - Query

$$pk = g^{sk} \text{ and } VRF(sk, x) = F(x)^{sk}$$

Query(sk, x):

$$y = VRF(sk, x),$$

$\pi = \text{proof}(g, F(x), pk, y)$ is a DDH-tuple

Why?

$$pk = g^{sk} \longrightarrow y = F(x)^{sk}$$

Standard VRF - Rotate?

$$pk = g^{sk} \text{ and } VRF(sk, x) = F(x)^{sk}$$

Rotate(sk, x):

Choose random exponent a_{sk}

$$sk * a_{sk} \rightarrow sk'$$

$$g^{sk'} = pk^a \rightarrow pk'$$

Rotatable VRF - Rotate

$$pk = g^{sk} \text{ and } VRF(sk, x) = F(x)^{sk}$$

Rotate(sk, x):

$$sk' = sk * a, pk' = pk^a, y = VRF(sk, x), y' = VRF(sk, x')$$

$\pi = \text{proof}(pk, y, pk', y')$ is a DDH-tuple

Why?

$$y = VRF(sk, x), pk' = pk^a \implies y' = y^a = F(x)^{sk * a} = VRF(sk', x)$$

Rotatable VRF - Zero Knowledge

Ignoring rotations:

DDH Assumption + programmable ROM \rightarrow Zero Knowledge

Idea: program $F(x)$ so $y = F(x)^{sk}$

Rotatable VRF - Zero Knowledge

With corruptions:

$pk = g^{sk}$ commits to sk !

If we give (pk, pk') , commit to (sk, sk')

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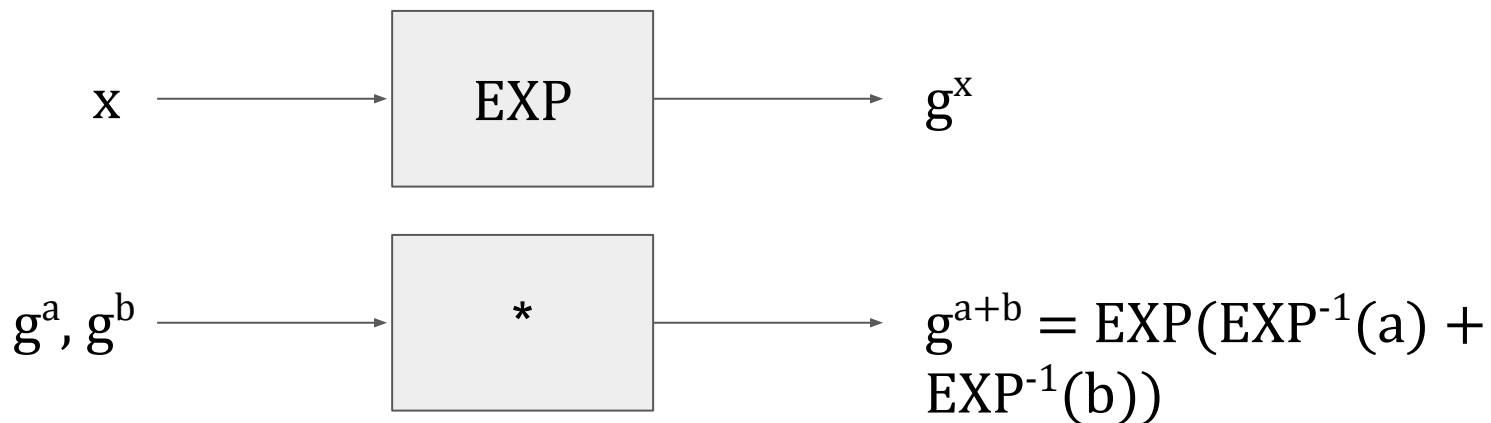
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May be impossible! But does it lead to an attack? **LIKELY NOT**

Rotatable VRFs - Zero Knowledge

Solution: Stronger idealized models

Shoup's Generic Group Model (GGM)



Rotatable VRFs - Zero Knowledge

Key trick: in GGM, giving $pk = g^{sk}$ does not commit to sk .

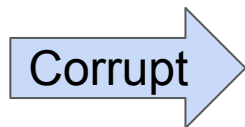
Don't need to define discrete logs until corruption

Rotatable VRFs - Zero Knowledge (Lazy GGM)

Query	Group Element	Discrete Log
$F(x)$	7314153	B_x
pk_1	1531678	A_1
pk_2	9817532	$A_1 * A_2$
$VRF_1(x)$	1253278	$B_x * A_1$
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$2 * pk_1 * VRF_1(x)$	4732814	$155 + 102 * B_x$

Future Work

1. Do we need GGM in order to achieve RZKS/rotatable VRFs?
Why or why not?
2. Can we use similar GGM programming techniques on other “non-committing” primitives?
3. RZKS auditors verify “append-only” property here. Are there other useful properties auditors could verify using similar techniques?