Lattices in cryptography: cryptanalysis, constructions and reductions

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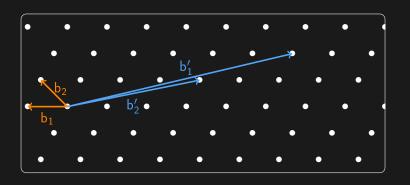
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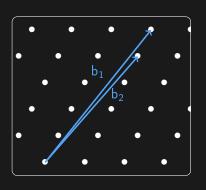
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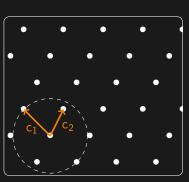
- $\mathcal{L} = \{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \mathsf{b}_i \mid \forall i, x_i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a lattice
- $lackbox{ } (\mathsf{b}_1,\ldots,\mathsf{b}_n)=:B\in\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{R}) \text{ is a basis } (\mathsf{not} \ \mathsf{unique})$

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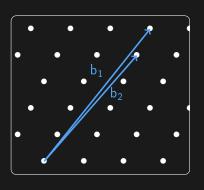


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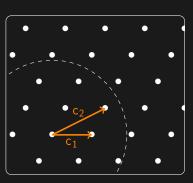
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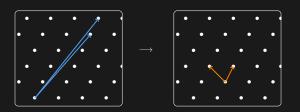
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Approximate short basis problem

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Lattice reduction algorithms



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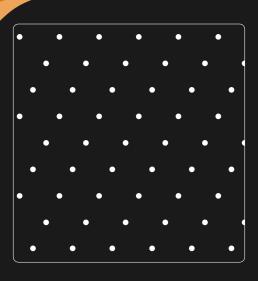
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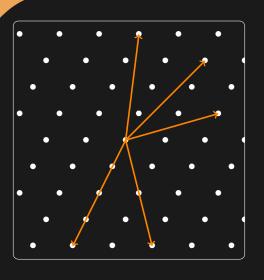
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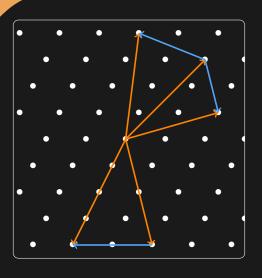
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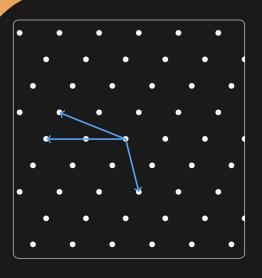
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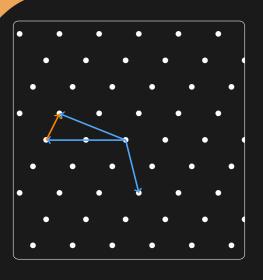


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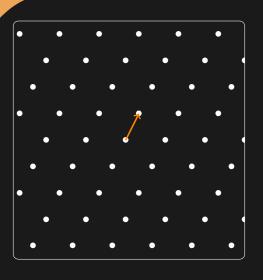


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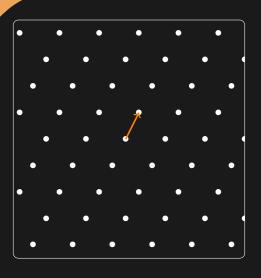


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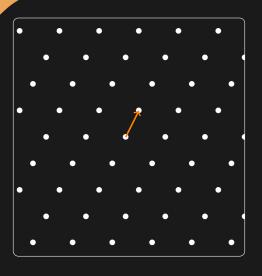
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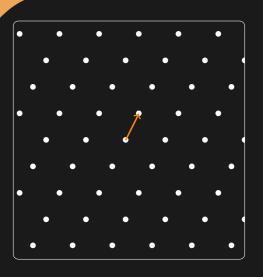
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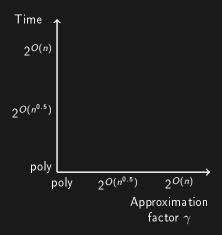
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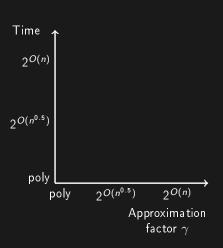
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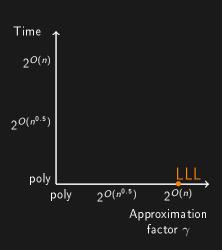
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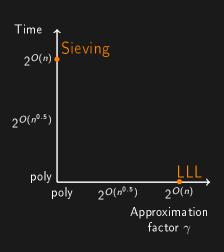


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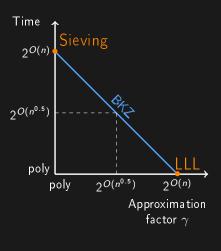
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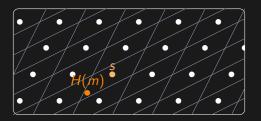
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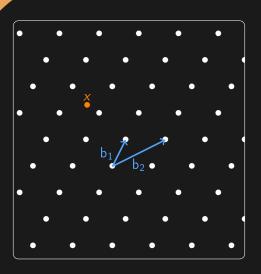
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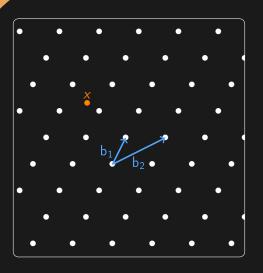
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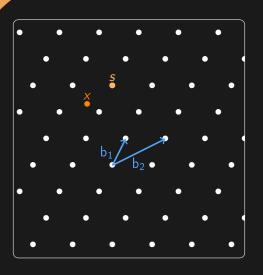




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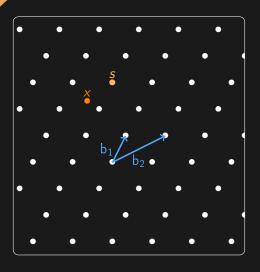
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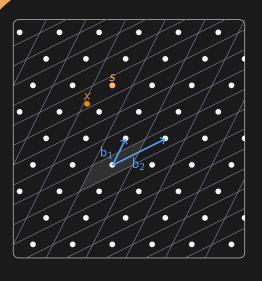
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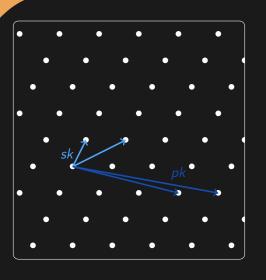
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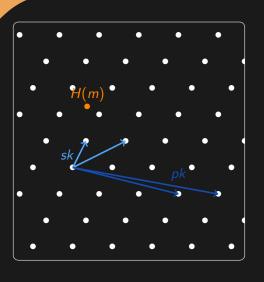
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$$=\left\{x_1b_1+x_2b_2\,\Big|\,|x_i|\leq \frac{1}{2}\right\}$$



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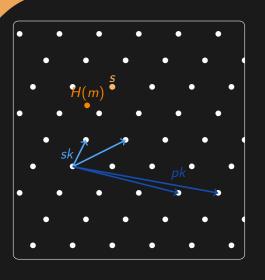


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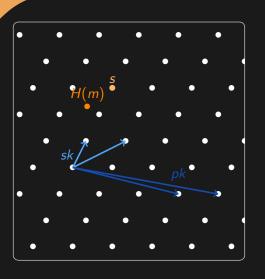


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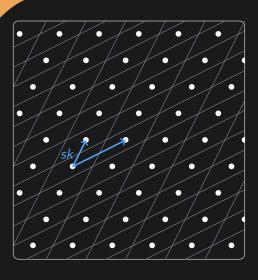
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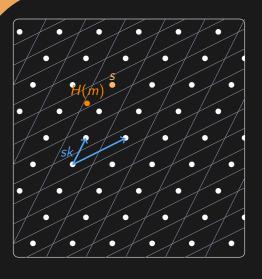
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Verify(s, pk):

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- lacksquare check that H(m)-s is small



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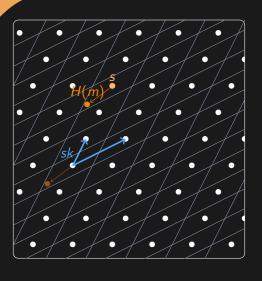


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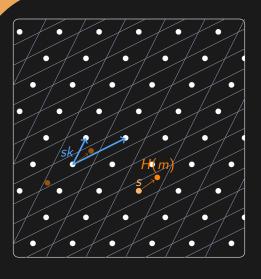
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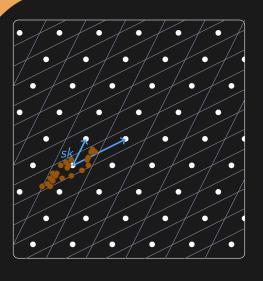
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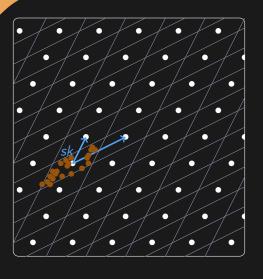
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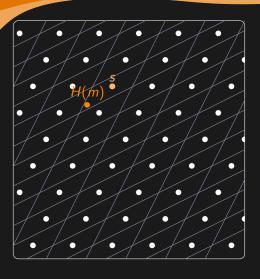
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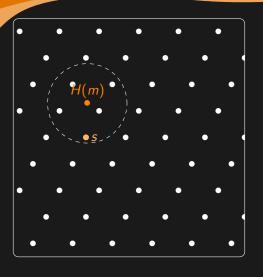
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From the shape of the parallelepiped, one can recover the short basis



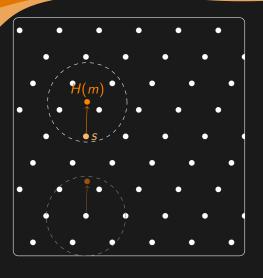
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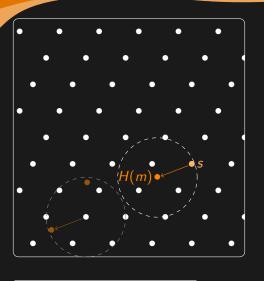
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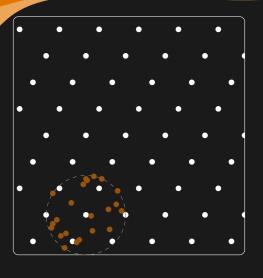
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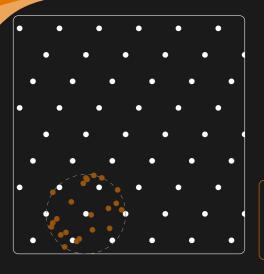
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Lemma: if an adversary can forge signatures, then she can recover a short basis of \mathcal{L} using only pk (in the ROM)

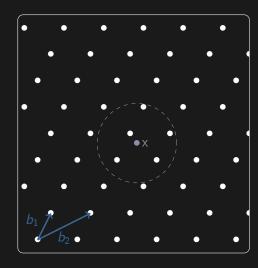
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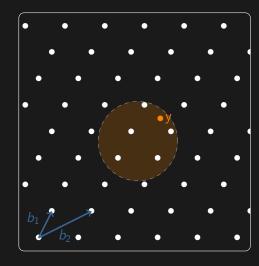
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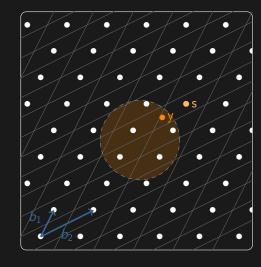


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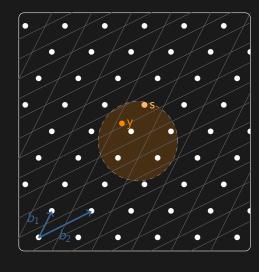


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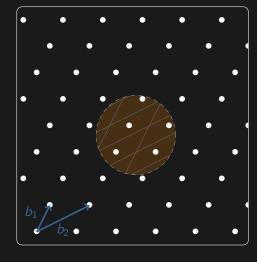


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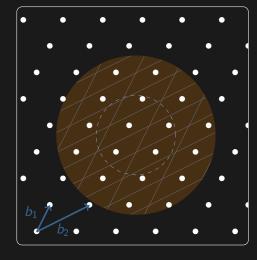
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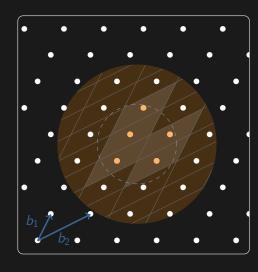
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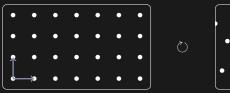


Summary

Hash-and-sign signature scheme:

- requires a lattice \mathcal{L} + a short basis B_s + a bad basis B_p ;
- ightharpoonup provably secure if recovering a short basis from B_p is hard.

How to generate a hard lattice?





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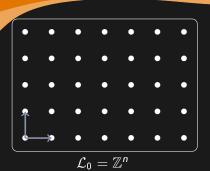
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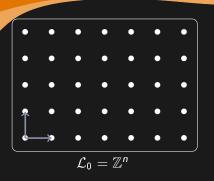
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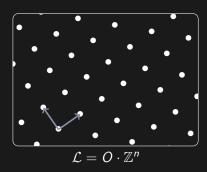


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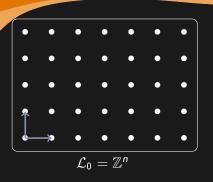


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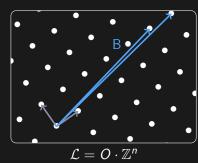
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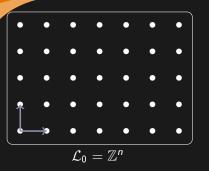
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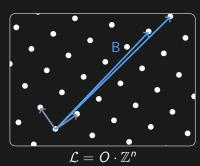
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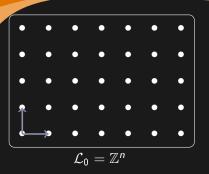


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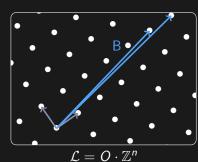
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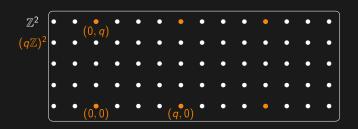
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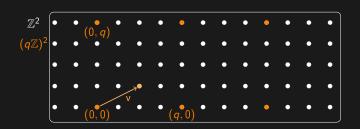
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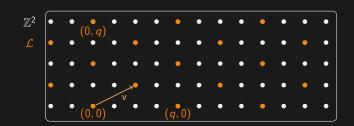
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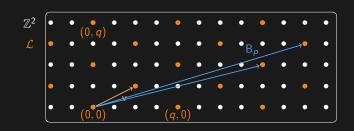
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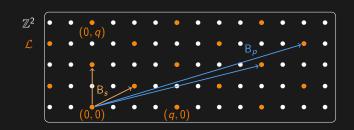
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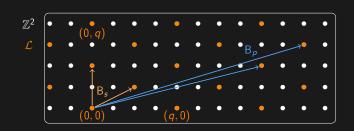
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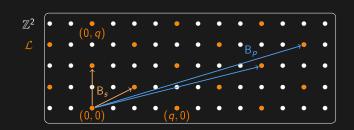
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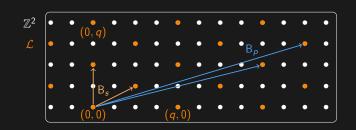
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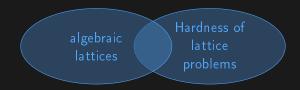
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