

# Dually Computable Cryptographic Accumulators and Their Application to Attribute-Based Encryption

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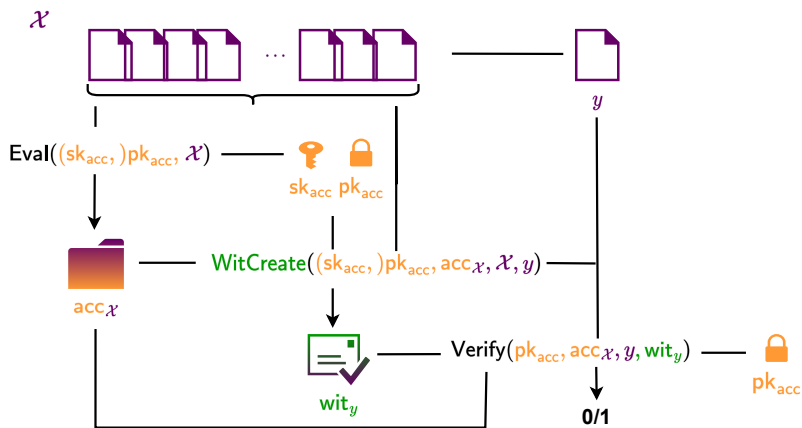
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## Cryptographic Accumulators [Bd94]

- ▶ Introduced in 1994 by Benaloh and De Mare
- ▶ Compact representation of a set
  
- ▶ Membership proof for one element ...
- ▶ ... that cannot be forged
  
- ▶ RSA-based, pairing-based, lattice-based constructions
  
- ▶ Several applications:
  - ★ timestamping
  - ★ (anonymous) credentials
  - ★ ecash
  - ★ ...

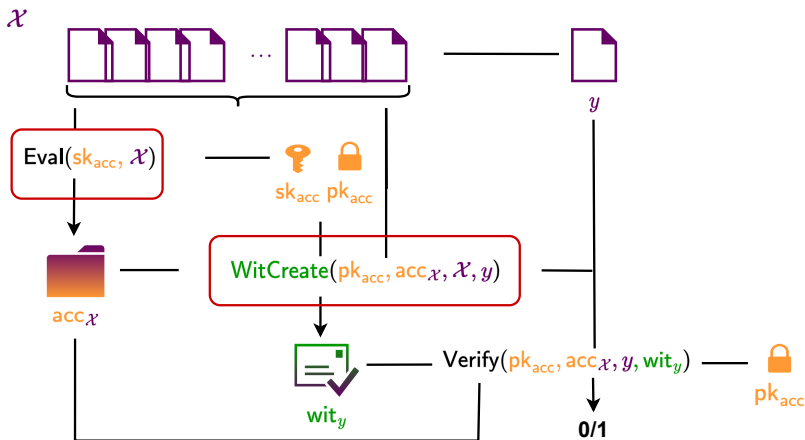
Never used for **encryption**

# Asymmetric Accumulators [Bd94, DHS15]



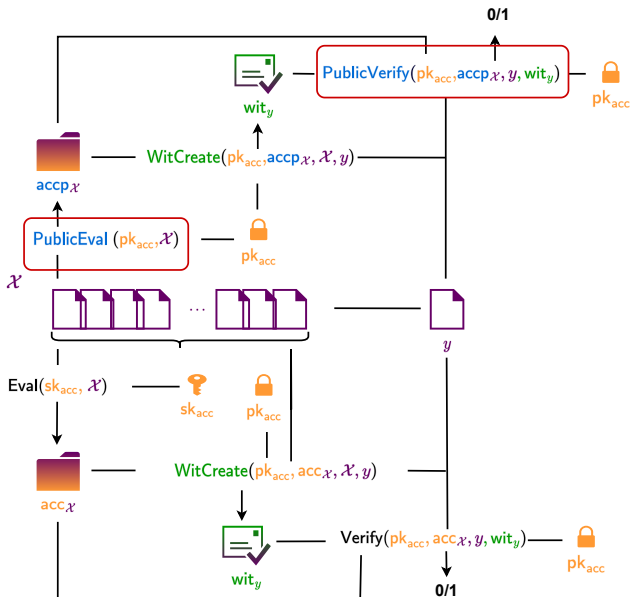
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# Special Type of Accumulator



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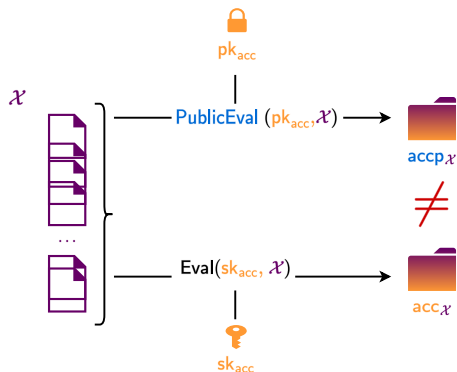
# New Functionality: Dually Computable



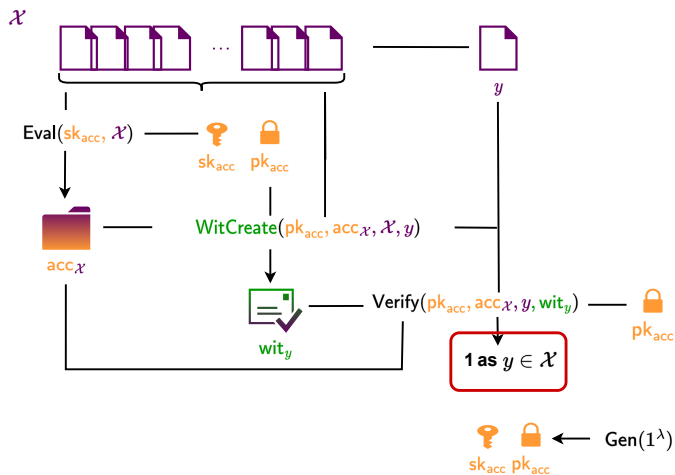
# Sizes Requirements And Distinguishability

**Sizes requirements:**  $|acc_x|$  and  $|wit_y|$  are **small** as for any accumulator

**Distinguishability:**

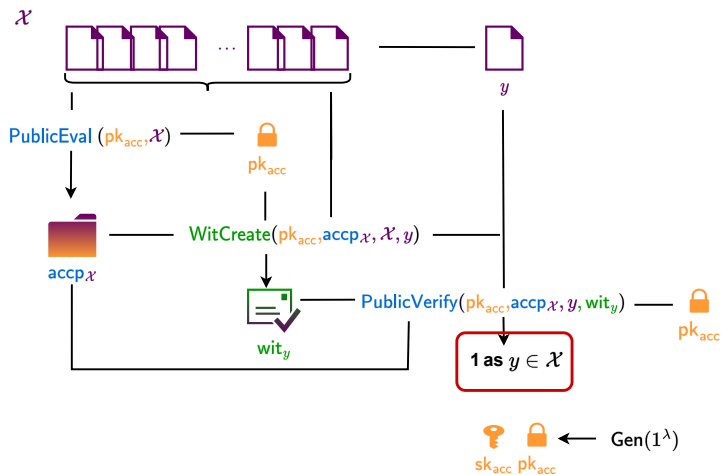


# Correctness

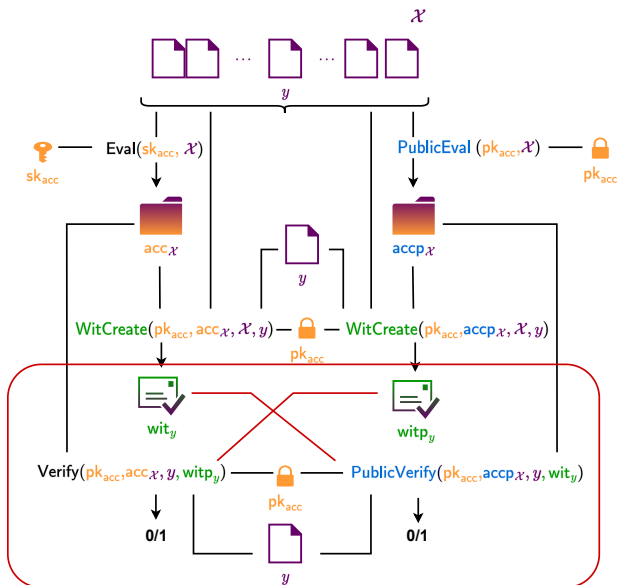




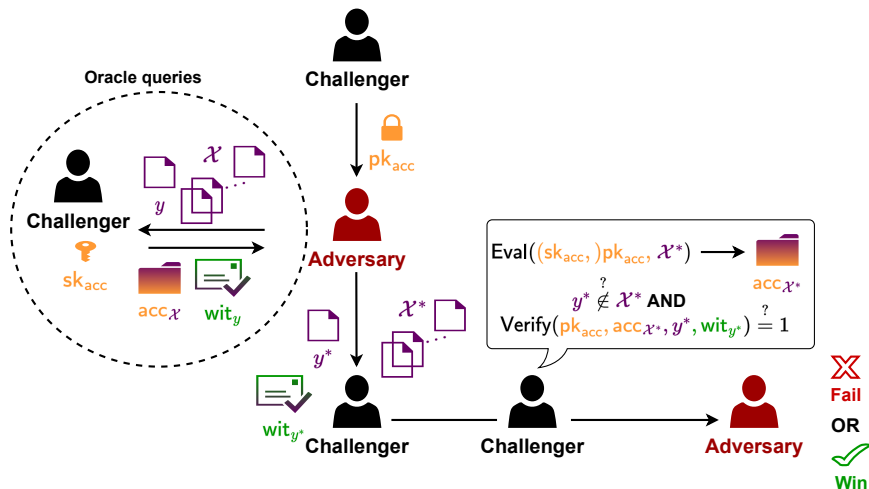
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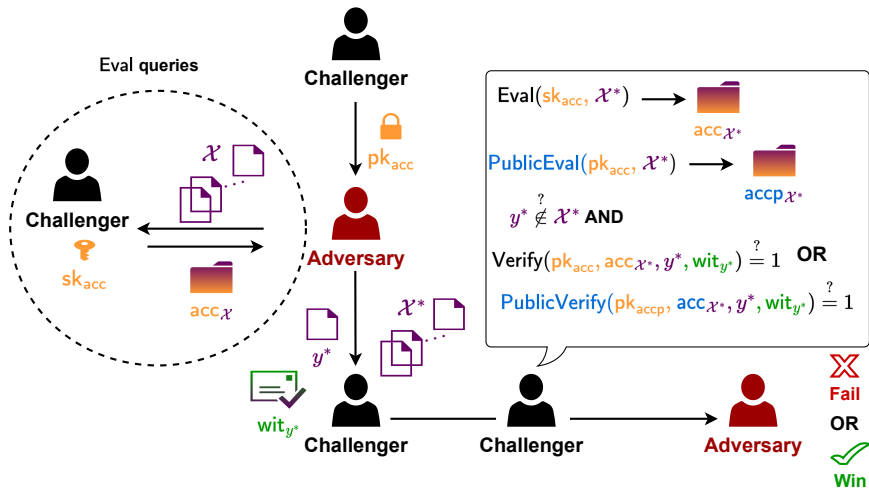
# Correctness of Duality



# Asymmetric Cryptographic Accumulator Security: Collision Resistance



# Dually Computable Accumulator Security: Dual Collision Resistance



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# Mathematical Background

## Asymmetric bilinear pairing:

- $\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2, \mathbb{G}_T$  cyclic (multiplicative) groups of order  $p$  (prime)
- $\mathbb{G}_1 = \langle g_1 \rangle, \mathbb{G}_2 = \langle g_2 \rangle$
- $e : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$  a function s.t.:
  - ▶  $e(g_1^a, g_2^b) = e(g_1, g_2)^{ab}$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  (*bilinear*)
  - ▶  $e(g_1, g_2) \neq 1$ ,  $1$ : identity element in  $\mathbb{G}_T$  (*non-degenerate*)
  - ▶  $e(X, Y)$  efficiently computable  $\forall X \in \mathbb{G}_1, Y \in \mathbb{G}_2$  (*efficiently computable*)

## Asymmetric bilinear pairing groups:

- $\Gamma = (p, \mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2, \mathbb{G}_T, g_1, g_2, e)$  as above
- and efficient algorithm to decide membership of the groups

# Mathematical Background

## Dual Pairing Vector Spaces (DPVS)

[CLL<sup>+</sup>13]

- Prime  $p$  and a fixed (constant) dimension  $n$
- Asymmetric bilinear pairing group  $\Gamma = (p, \mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2, \mathbb{G}_T, g_1, g_2, e)$
- $\mathbb{D} = (\mathbf{d}_1, \dots, \mathbf{d}_n)$  and  $\mathbb{D}^* = (\mathbf{d}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{d}_n^*)$  of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^n$  two random bases
- **Dual orthonormal**, meaning that
  - ▶  $\mathbf{d}_i \cdot \mathbf{d}_j^* = 0 \pmod{p}$  whenever  $i \neq j$ ,
  - ▶  $\mathbf{d}_i \cdot \mathbf{d}_i^* = \psi \pmod{p}$  for all  $i$ ,where  $\psi$  is a uniformly random element of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$
- Generated by algorithm  $\text{Dual}(\mathbb{Z}_p^n)$

*In our setting:*  $n = 2$ ,  $\mathbb{D} = (\mathbf{d}_1, \mathbf{d}_2)$  and  $\mathbb{D}^* = (\mathbf{d}_1^*, \mathbf{d}_2^*)$ :  $\mathbf{d}_1 \cdot \mathbf{d}_2^* = 0$  and  $\mathbf{d}_1 \cdot \mathbf{d}_1^* = \psi$

*Note:* elements of  $\mathbb{D}, \mathbb{D}^*$  are **vectors**

# Pairings and Vectors & Characteristic Polynomial

- $g_i \in \mathbb{G}_i$  group element for  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}$  two vectors of length  $\ell$
- $g_i^{\mathbf{v}} := (g_i^{v_1}, \dots, g_i^{v_\ell})$
- $g_i^{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}} = g_i^\alpha$ , where  $\alpha = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 \cdot v_1 + u_2 \cdot v_2 + \dots + u_\ell \cdot v_\ell$

- $$e(g_1^{\mathbf{u}}, g_2^{\mathbf{v}}) := \prod_{i=1}^{\ell} e(g_1^{u_i}, g_2^{v_i}) = e(g_1, g_2)^{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}$$

- For set  $\mathcal{X}$ :

characteristic polynomial 
$$\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{X}}[Z] = \prod_{x \in \mathcal{X}} (x + Z) = \sum_{i=0}^{|\mathcal{X}|} a_i \cdot Z^i$$



# Our Dually Computable Accumulator

[Ngu05]'s pairing-based accumulator + DPVS of dimension 2

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- $e(g_1^{d_1}, \text{acc}_x) \stackrel{?}{=} e(g_1^{d_2 y} \cdot g_1^{d_2 s}, \text{wit}_y)$  *Public Verification*

# All Properties Are Satisfied

- **Correctness:** [Ngu05]'s correctness + DVPS

$$e(g_1^{d_2^{y+s}}, \text{wit}_y) = e(g_1^{d_2^{\text{Ch}_{\{y\}}(s)}}, g_2^{d_2^{*\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{X} \setminus \{y\}}(s)}}) = e(g_1, g_2)^{\psi_{\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{X}}(s)}},$$

and  $e(\text{acc}_{\mathcal{X}}, g_2^{d_1^*}) = e(g_1, g_2)^{\psi_{\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{X}}(s)}} = e(g_1^{d_1}, \text{accp}_{\mathcal{X}})$

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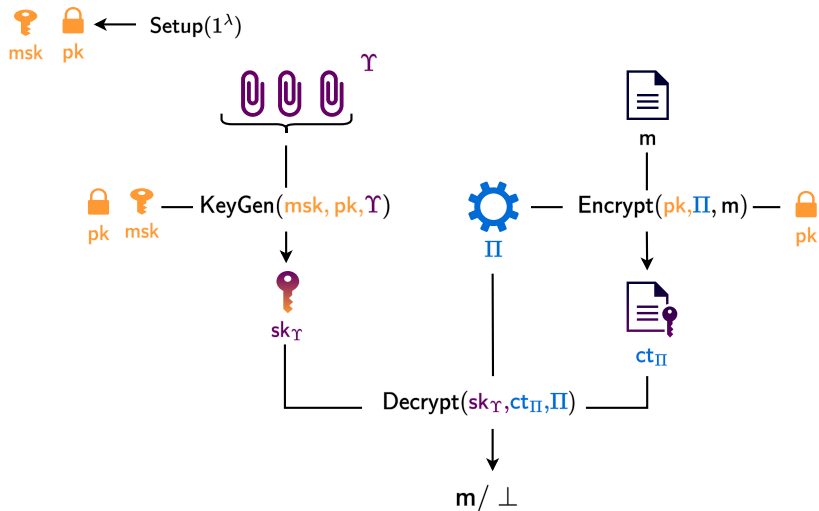
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- **Dual collision resistance:** from *q-Strong Bilinear Diffie Hellman* assumption, as Nguyen's scheme

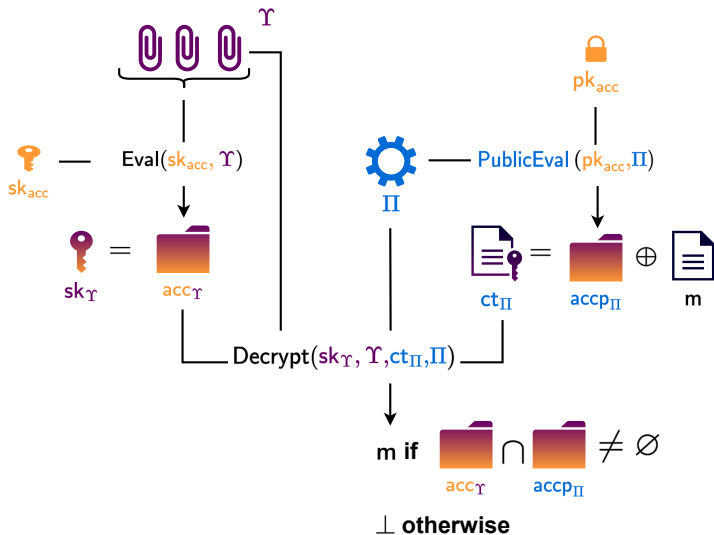
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# Ciphertext Policy Attribute-Based Encryption (CP-ABE)



# CP-ABE from Dually Computable Accumulators





# Access Policies and Accumulators: an Example

- Access policies: **disjunctions of conjunctions**
- $\mathcal{H} : \{\text{set of attributes}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$ , hash function
- $\Pi = (a_1 \wedge a_3) \vee a_4$
- $\mathcal{Y} = \{\mathcal{H}(\{a_1, a_3\}), \mathcal{H}(\{a_4\})\}$
- $\text{accp}_\Pi \leftarrow \text{PublicEval}(\text{pk}_{\text{acc}}, \mathcal{Y})$
- $\Upsilon = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$
- $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathcal{H}(\{a_i\}_{i=1}^3), \mathcal{H}(\{a_i, a_j\}_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3}), \mathcal{H}(\{a_1, a_2, a_3\})\}$
- $\text{acc}_\Upsilon \leftarrow \text{Eval}(\text{sk}_{\text{acc}}, \mathcal{X})$
- $\mathcal{H}(\{a_1, a_3\}) \in \text{acc}_\Upsilon \cap \text{accp}_\Pi$  and  $\{a_1, a_3\}$  satisfies  $\Pi$

# Our CP-ABE

- Combination of previous idea + our dually computable accumulator
- Intersection of two accumulators: more details in the paper
- Advantages:
  - ▶ Constant size ciphertext
  - ▶ Constant size secret key
- Drawbacks:
  - ▶ Public key size exponential
  - ▶ No generic construction
  - ▶ Simple access policies

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# Conclusion

## Our contributions

- Improvement of accumulator state of the art
- Introduction of **dually computable** accumulators
- Construction of a dually computable accumulator
- **New application of accumulators: encryption**
- Improvement of attribute-based encryption state of the art


## Futur works

- Reducing our CP-ABE public key size
- Developing generic construction of ABE from dually computable accumulators
- Dealing with fine-grained access policies


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