

# Sécurité Exacte des Schémas de Signature Forward-Secure

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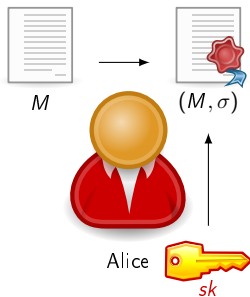
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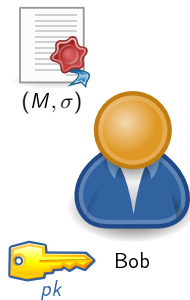
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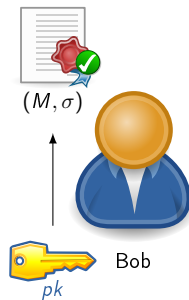
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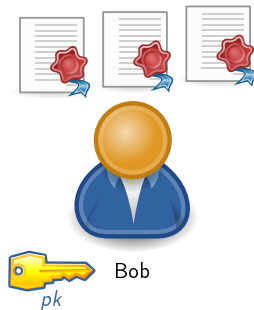


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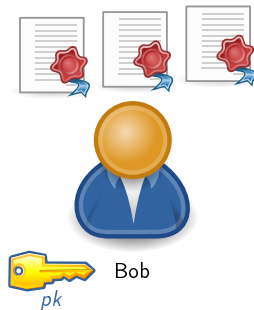
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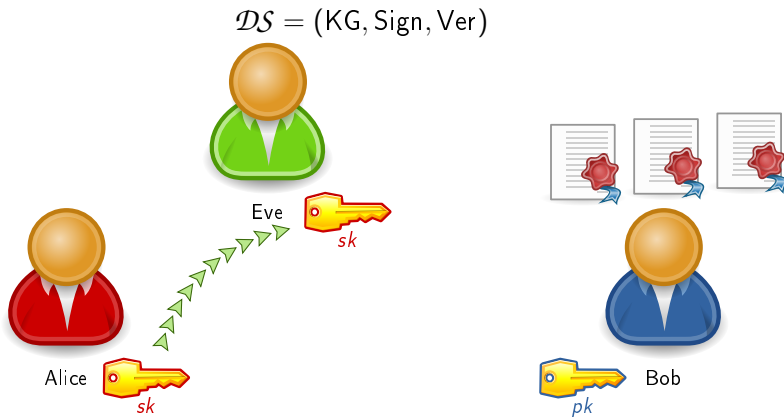


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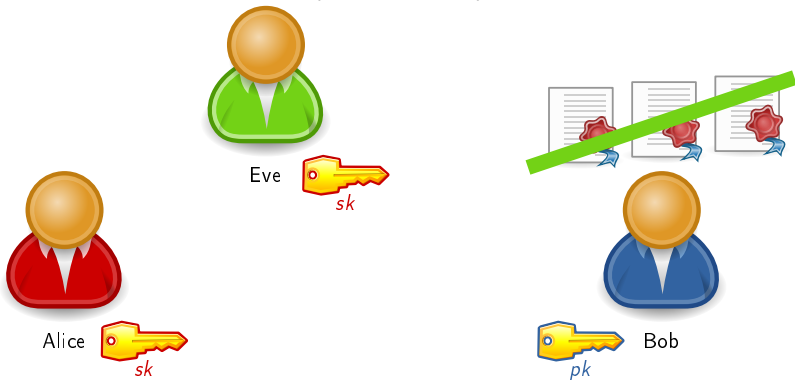


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- key lifetime divided in  $T$  periods,
- a secret key  $sk_i$  for each period  $i$ ,
- the same public key  $pk$  for all periods,
- $sk_i$  can sign messages for period  $\geq i$ .

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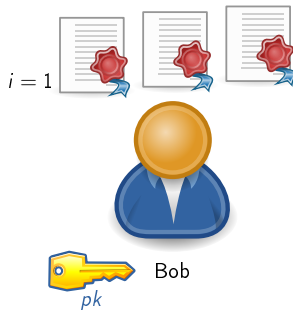
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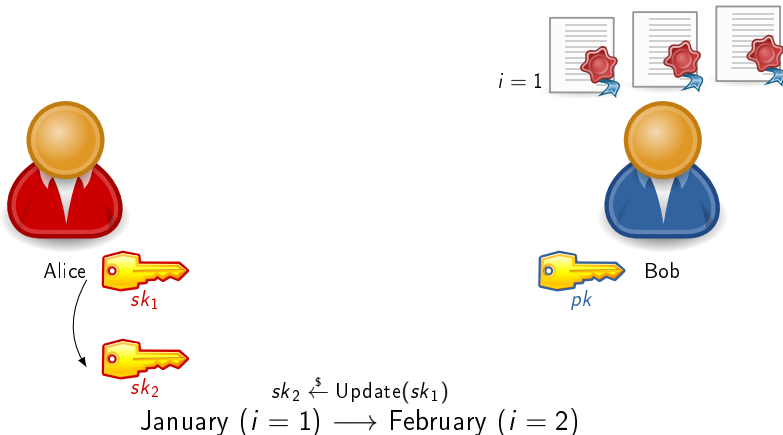
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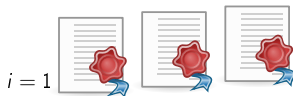


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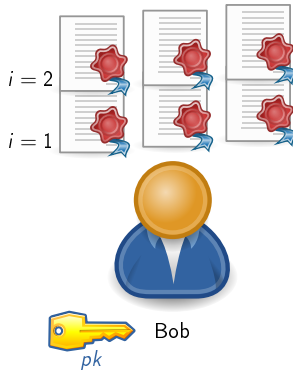
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 $pk$ February ( $i = 2$ )

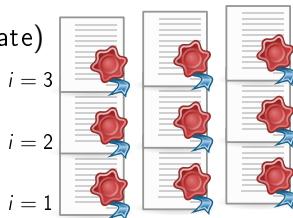
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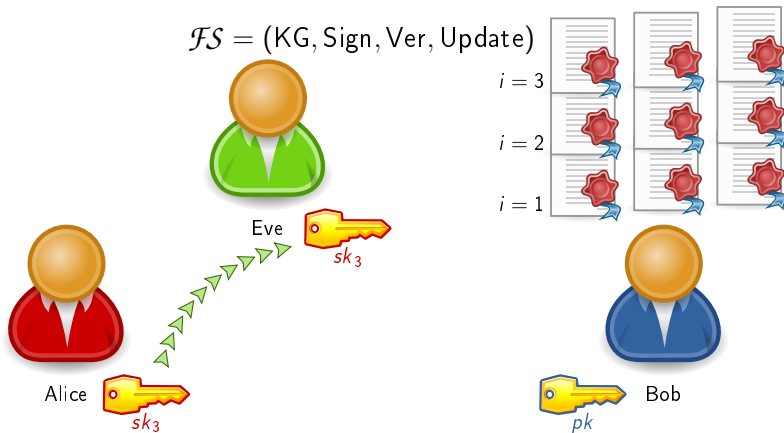


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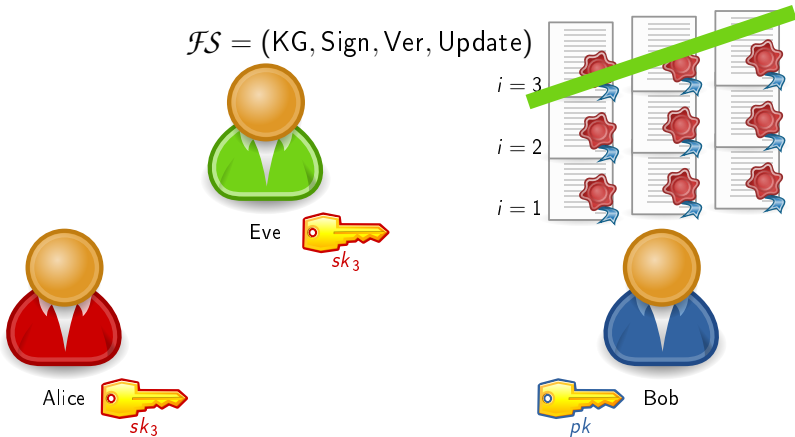
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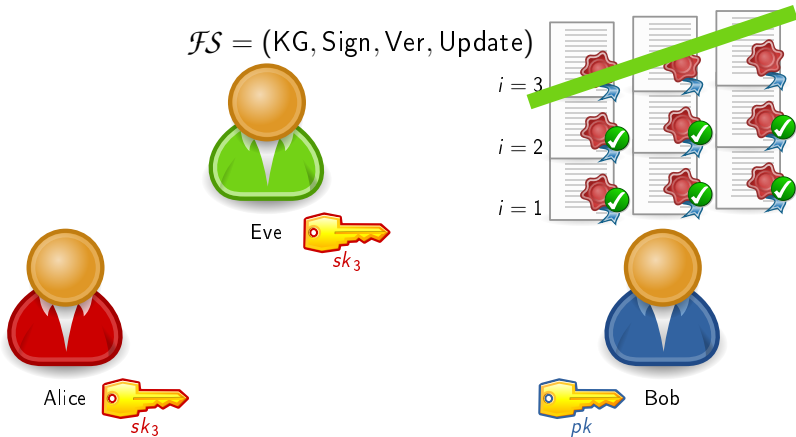
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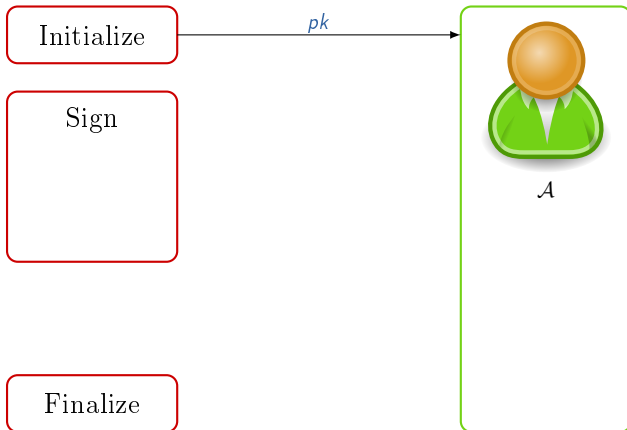
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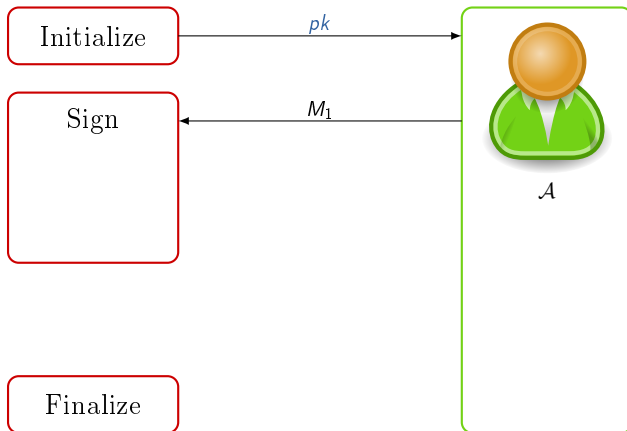


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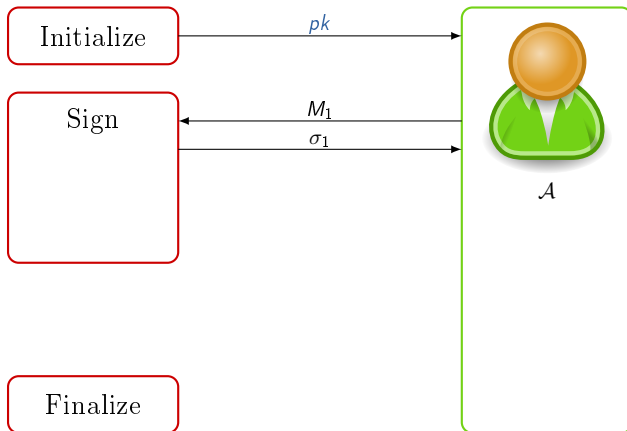


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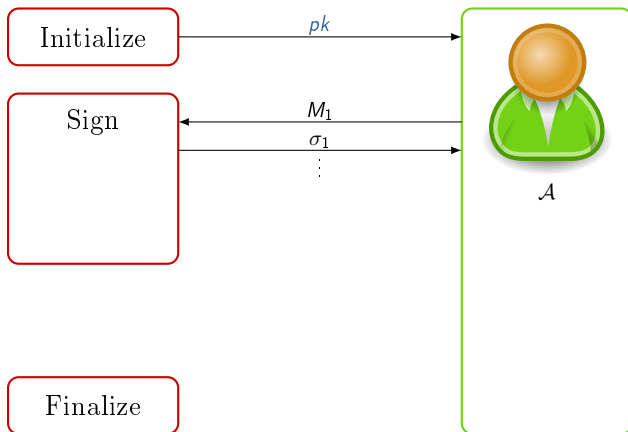




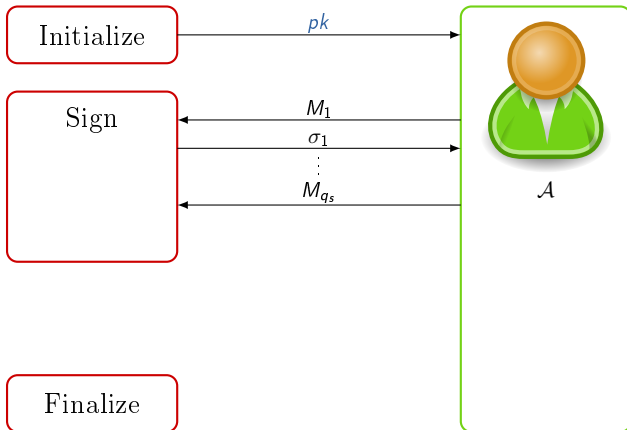
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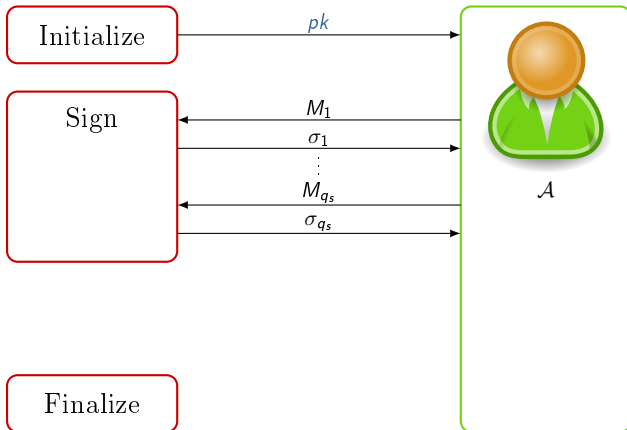
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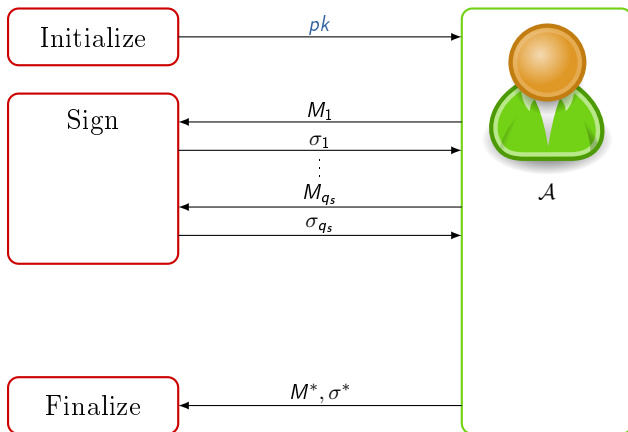
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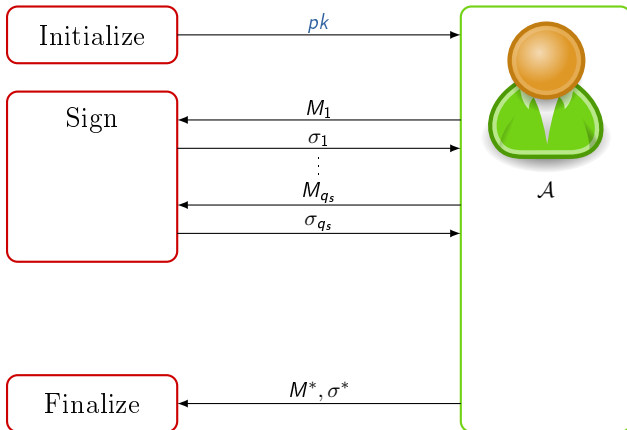
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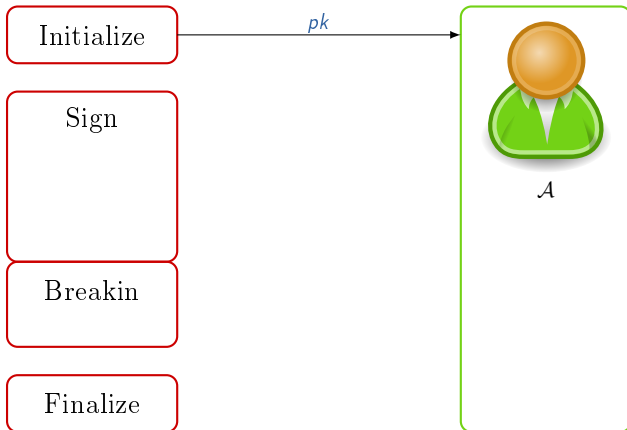


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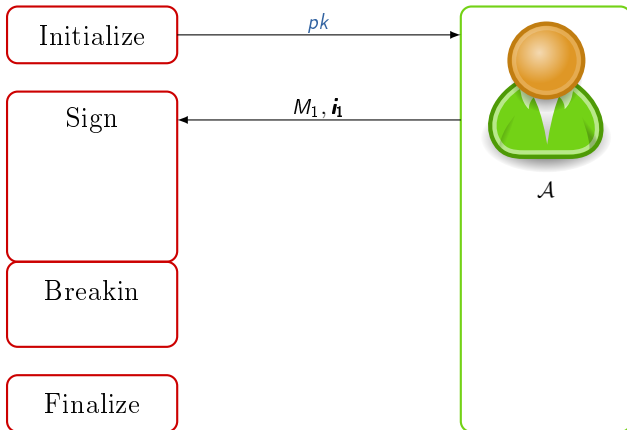
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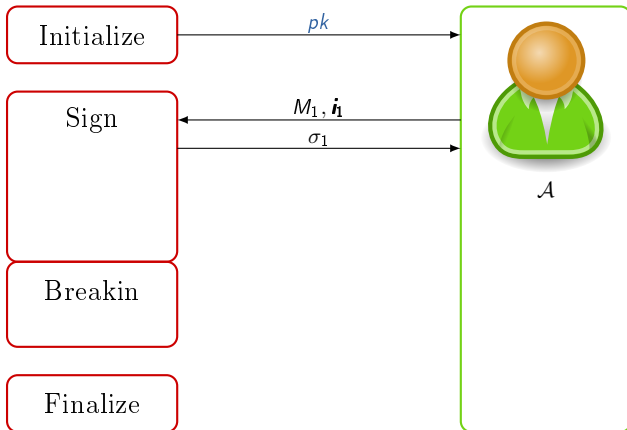


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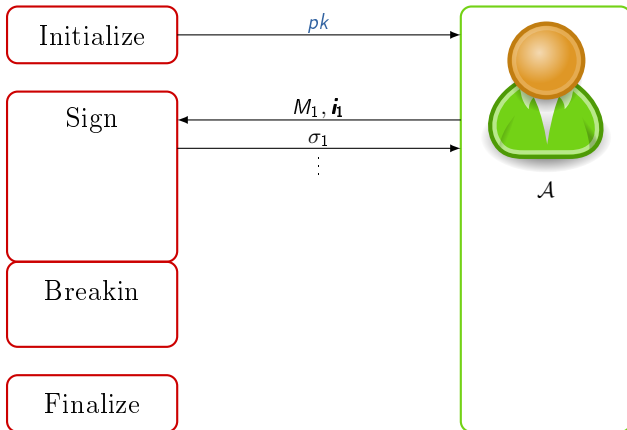




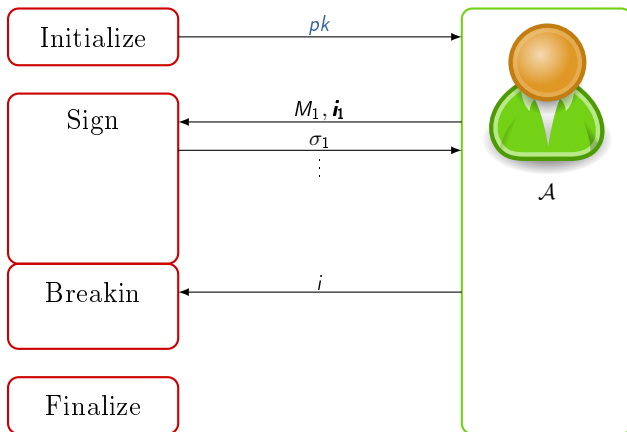
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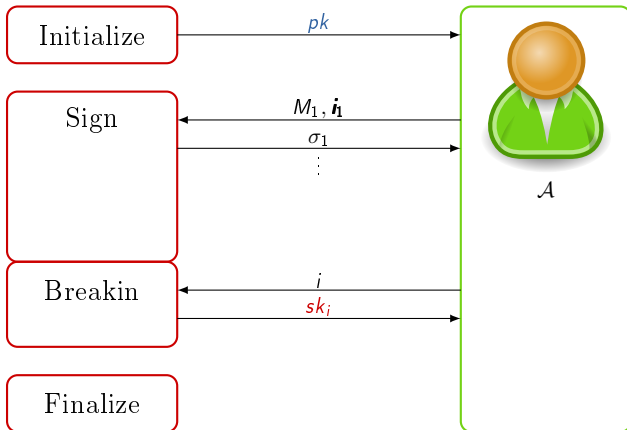
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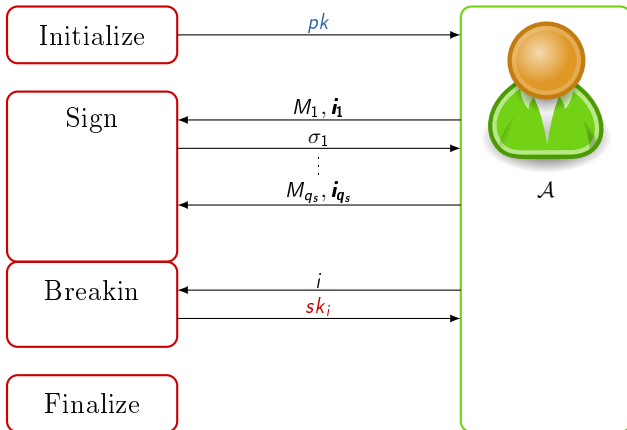
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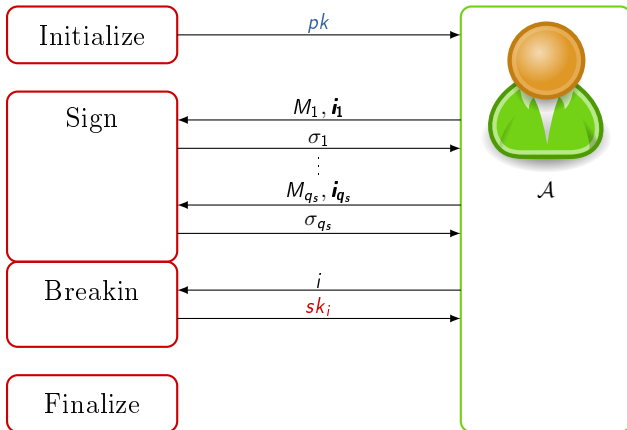
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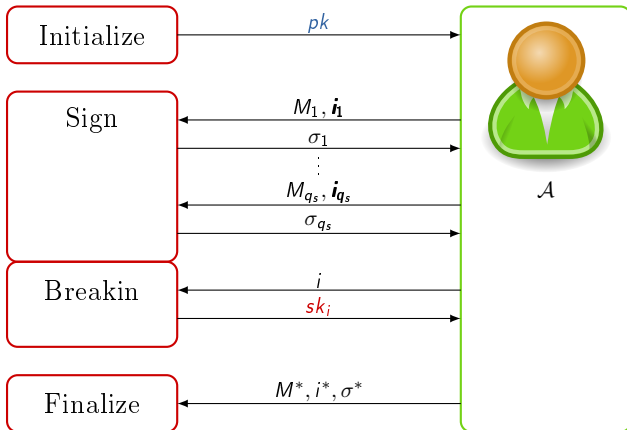
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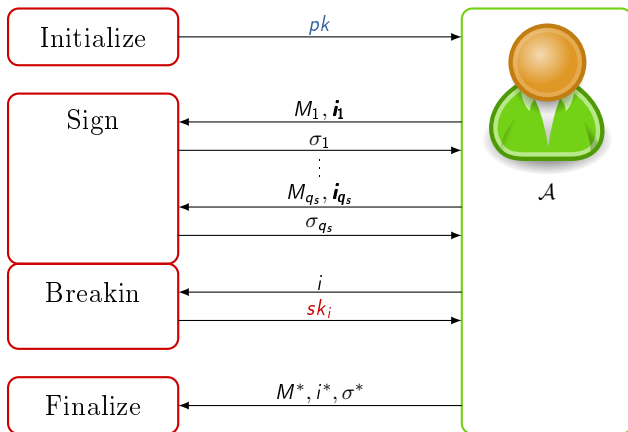
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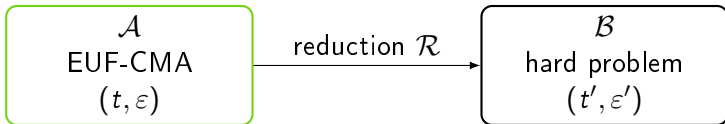
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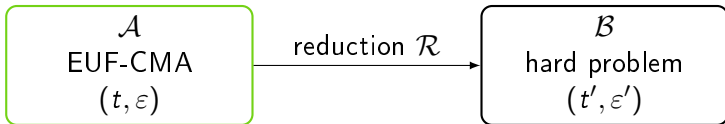
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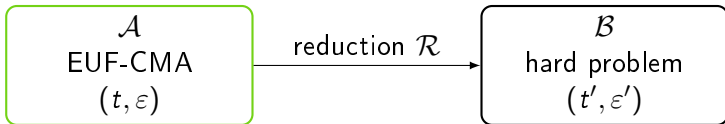


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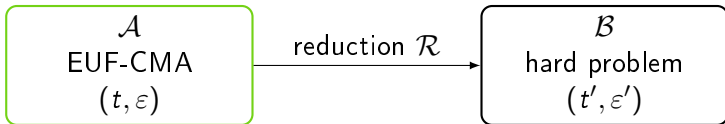
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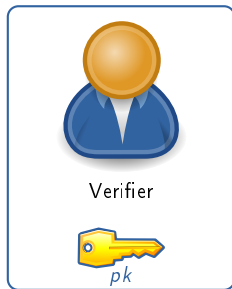
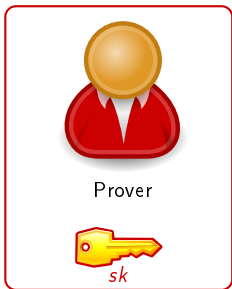
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# Contributions

- practical forward-secure scheme constructions
  - with tighter reductions than previous “similar” schemes: loss a factor  $T$  instead of  $Tq_h$  ( $q_h \approx 2^{80}$ ),
  - more efficient than previous schemes (for most aspects),
- optimality of above mentioned reductions and first fully tight forward-secure schemes.

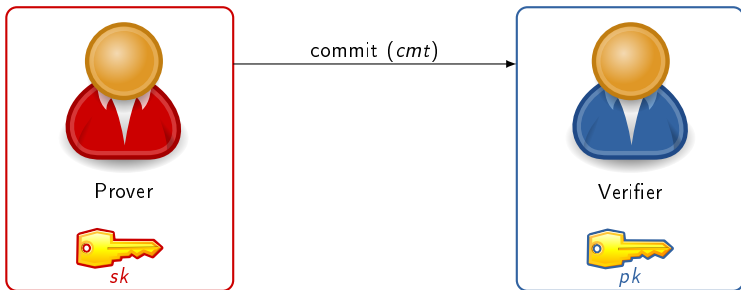
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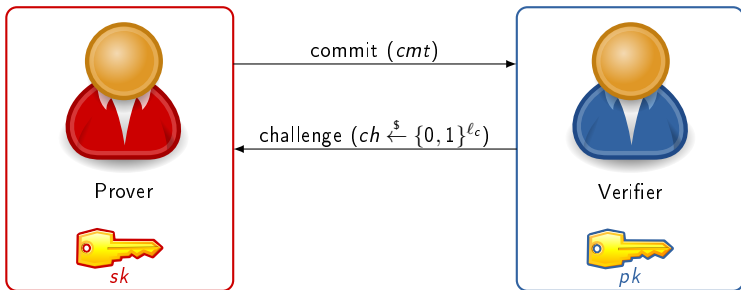
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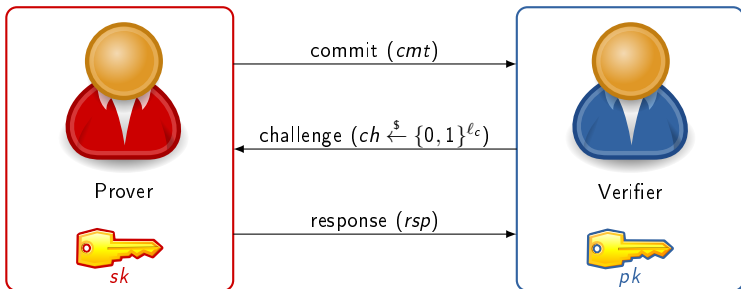
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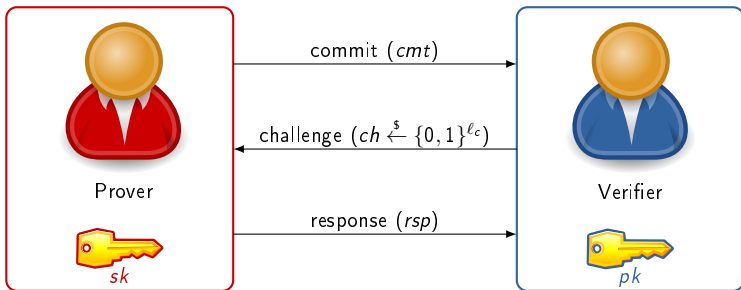
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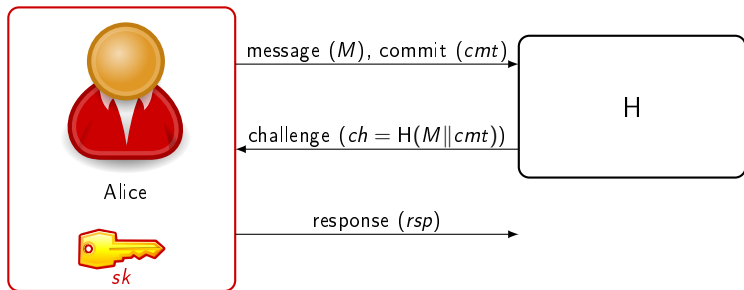
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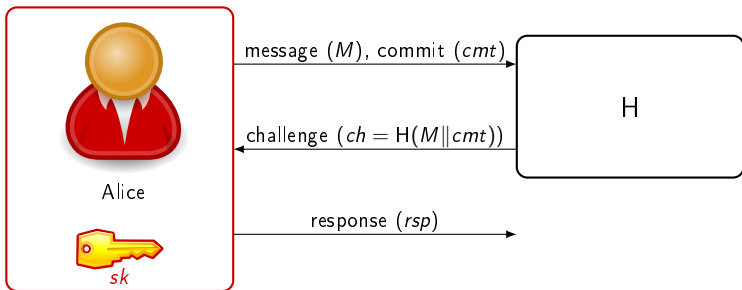
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  - **tight**.

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Key indistinguishability  $\rightarrow$  existential unforgeability.



# Contributions

- extension of the notion of lossy identification scheme to key-evolving lossy identification scheme, which can be transformed into forward-secure signature schemes,
- generic key-evolving lossy identification scheme using factoring based-problems with tight reductions (for key indistinguishability),
- efficient instantiations of this generic scheme (more efficient than previous schemes for most aspects).

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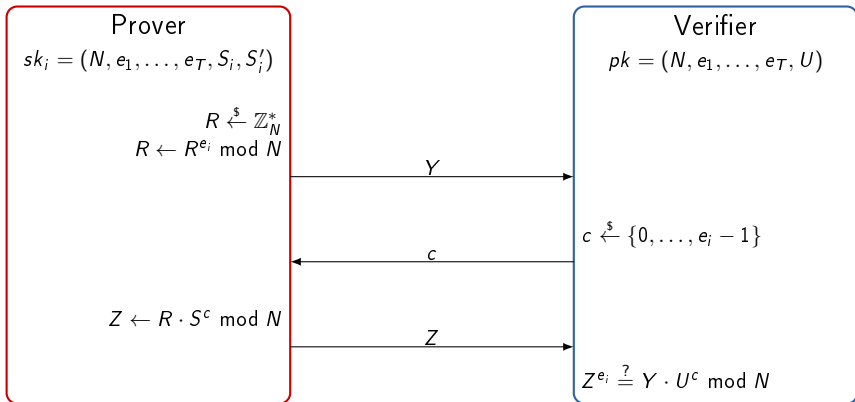
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Lossy **key-evolving** identification schemes:

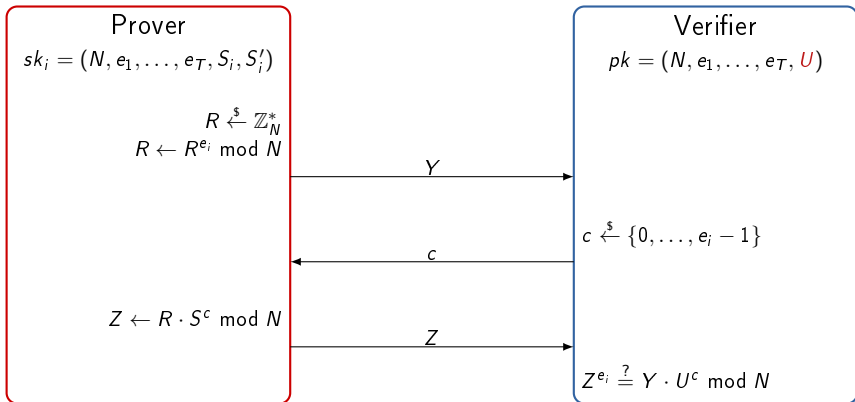
- the secret key changes at each time period,
- the lossy key generation algorithm takes as input a period  $i$  and outputs  $(pk, sk_{i+1})$ ,
- if  $pk$  is lossy for period  $i$ , no adversary can impersonate a prover for period  $i$  with public key  $pk$ .

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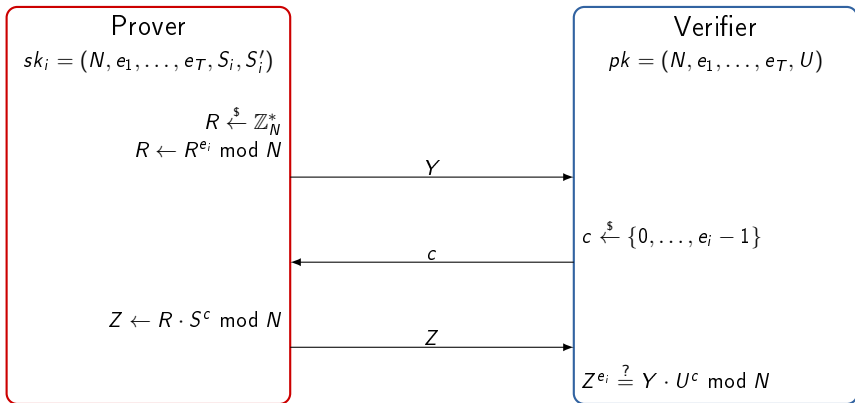
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- $sk_{i+1} \xleftarrow{\$} \text{Update}(sk_i)$
- $S'_{i+1} = S'^{e_i}_i \bmod N$
- $S_i = S'^{e_{i+2} \dots e_T}_{i+1} \bmod N$



# Analysis of our Variant of the Itkis-Reyzin Scheme

- Comparison with the Itkis and Reyzin scheme [IR01]:
  - roughly same key length, same key generation time, same or better update time,
  - + signing:  $9\times$  faster, verifying:  $6\times$  faster, signature:  $3\times$  shorter.
  
- Comparison with the MMM scheme [MMM02]:
  - $T\times$  slower key generation and update,
  - roughly same signing time,
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# Optimality of Reductions

## Theorem (approximate statement)

For any **key-verifiable** forward-secure scheme, any (black-box) reduction loses at least a factor  $T$ .

A forward-secure scheme is **key-verifiable**, if there exist a set  $V$  of bit strings such that:

- all secret keys are in  $V$ ,
- membership can be tested in polynomial time,
- all bit strings of  $V$  can be used as secret keys and yield statistically indistinguishable signatures.

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Yes ! We construct the first<sup>1</sup> fully tight forward-secure scheme.

## Idea

- consider a fully tight EUF-MUC signature scheme  $\mathcal{DS}$ ,
  - EUF-MUC: extension of EUF-CMA to multiple public keys (with corruptions),
- use one key pair of  $\mathcal{DS}$  per period,
- if  $\mathcal{DS}$  is  $(t, \epsilon)$ -EUF-MUC, the associated forward-secure scheme is about  $(t, \epsilon)$ -existentially-forward-secure.

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<sup>1</sup>as far as we know

# Constructing a Fully Tight EUF-MUC Signature Scheme

## Idea

- scheme with multiple secret keys for a given public key,
- all secret keys are indistinguishable (even given access to signatures),
- the reduction knows one secret key for each public key,
- if the adversary creates a signature with another secret key, the reduction can solve a hard problem.

## Example of scheme

- public key: perfectly hiding commitment of a random value  $X$ ,
- signature: non-interactive proof of knowledge of  $X$  (labeled by the message  $M$ ).

Thank you for your attention !

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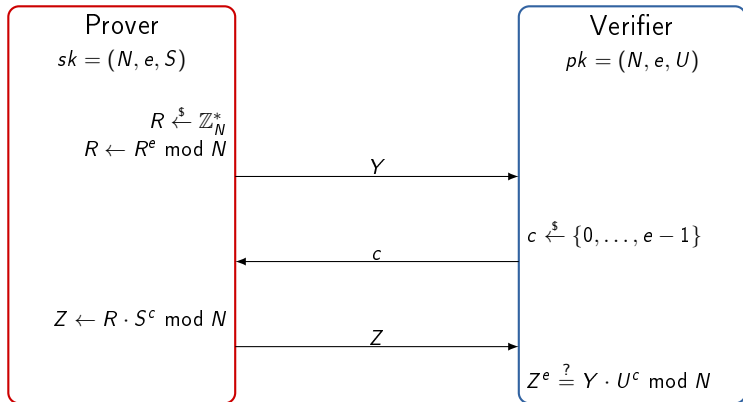
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# Guillou-Quisquater Identification Scheme



$N = pq$ , with  $p, q$  two  $l/2$ -bit primes,  
 $e$  is a  $l/8$ -bit prime, coprime with  $\phi(N) = (p-1)(q-1)$ ,  
 $U = S^e \bmod N$

## Our Variant of Itkis and Reyzin Scheme

Based on the  $\phi$ -hiding assumption.

Comparison with the Itkis and Reyzin scheme [IR01]:

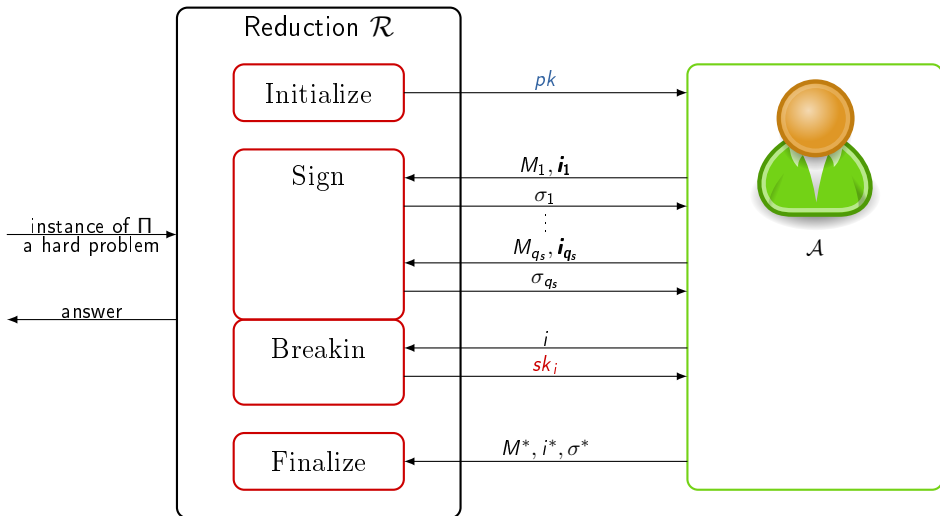
- roughly same key length, same key generation time, same or better update time,
- + signing:  $9\times$  faster, verifying:  $6\times$  faster, signature:  $3\times$  shorter.

Comparison with the MMM scheme [MMM02]:

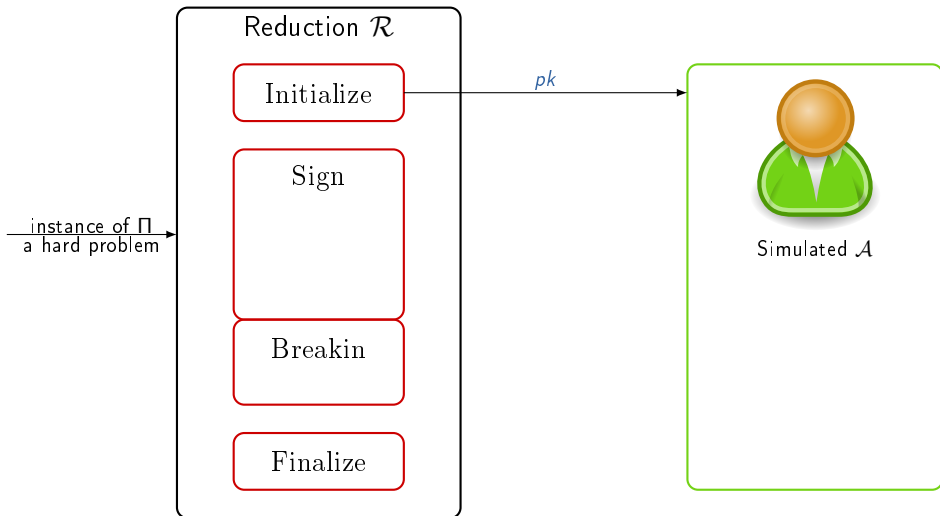
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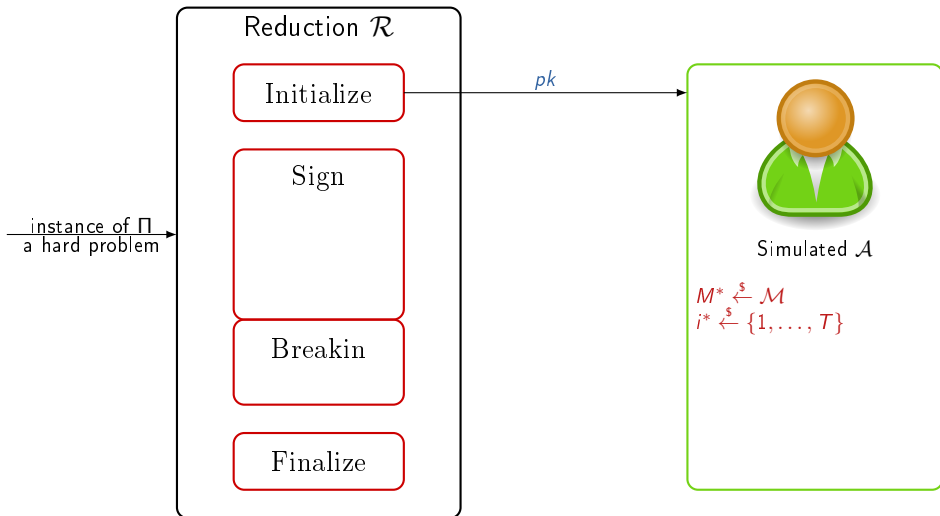
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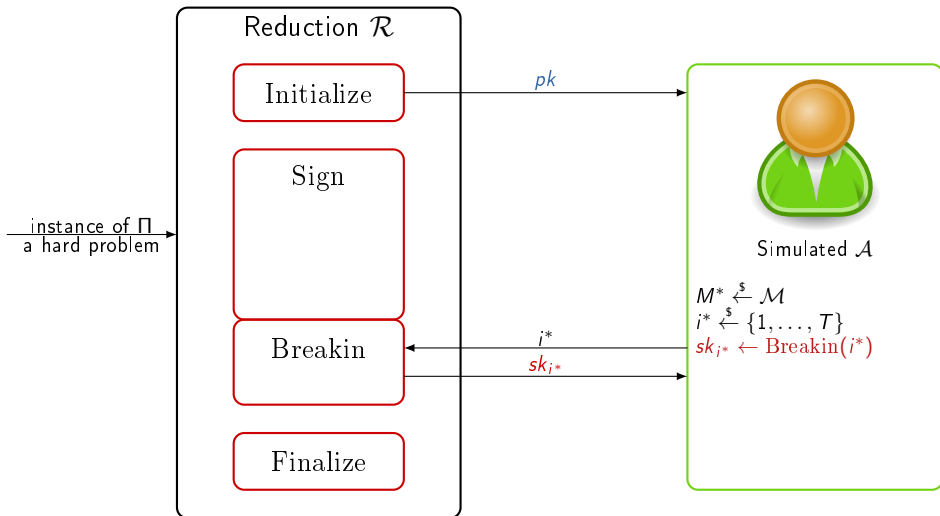
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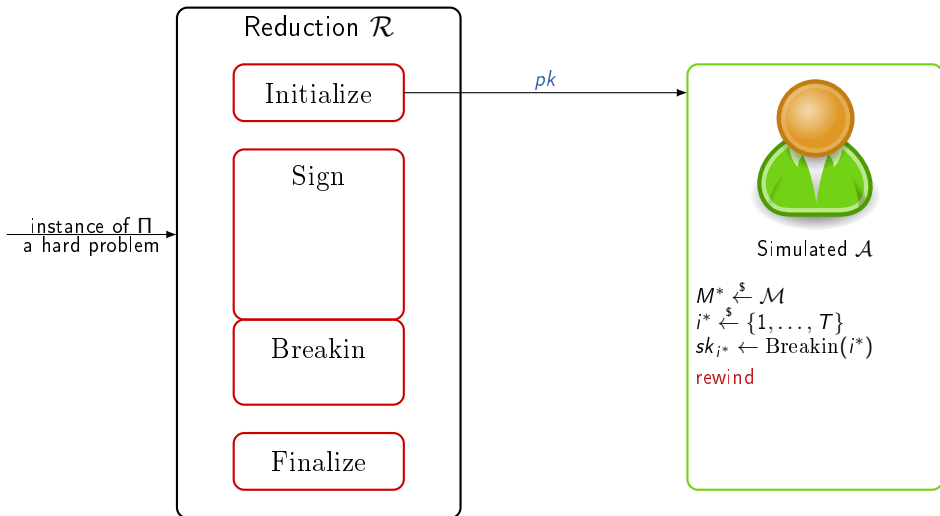
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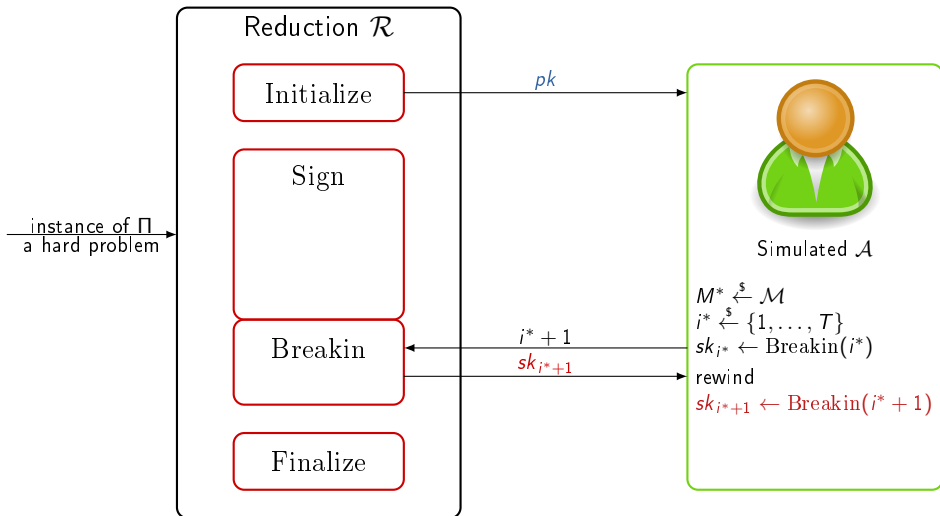
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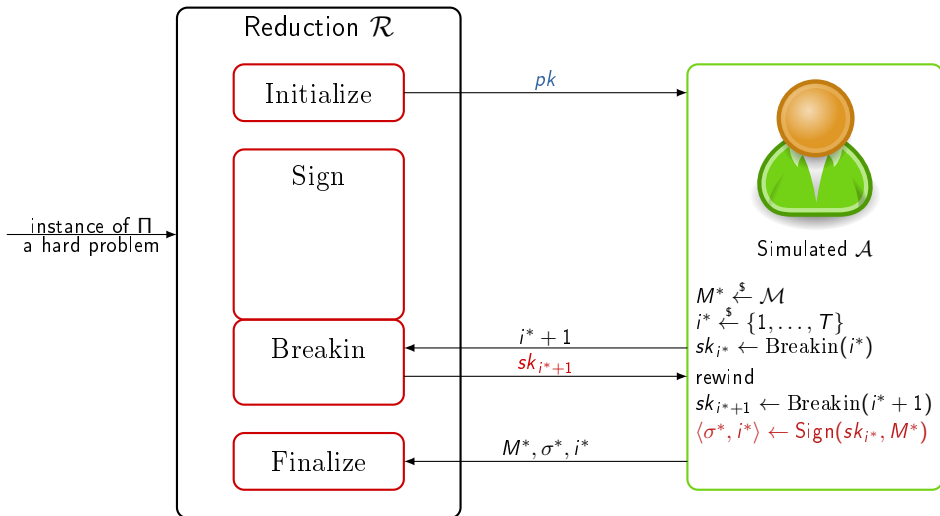


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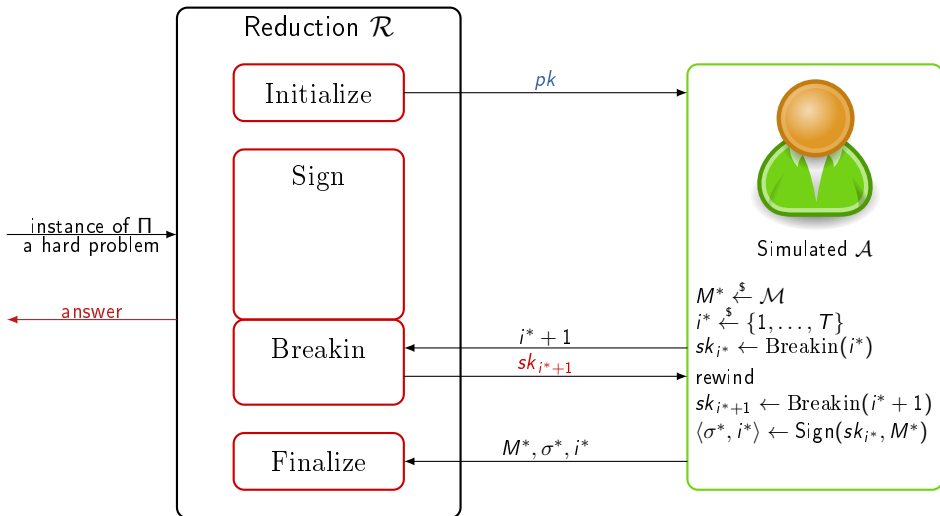




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### Proof idea.

The reduction can only distinguish our simulated  $\mathcal{A}$  from a real adversary if  $sk_{i^*}$  is invalid and  $sk_{i^*+1}$  is valid. We can show it happens at most with probability  $1/T$ . □

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## Corollary

For any key-verifiable forward-secure scheme, there does not exist fully tight black-box reduction.