

Homomorphic Encryption with CCA Security

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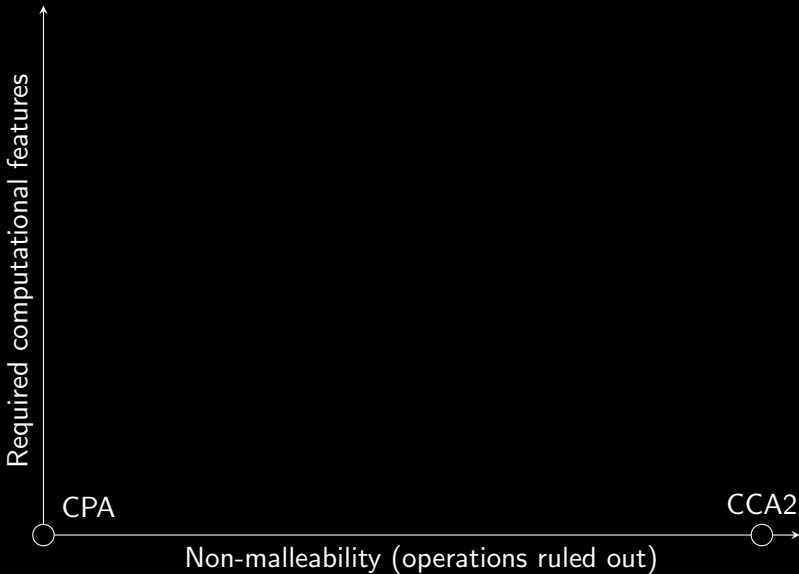
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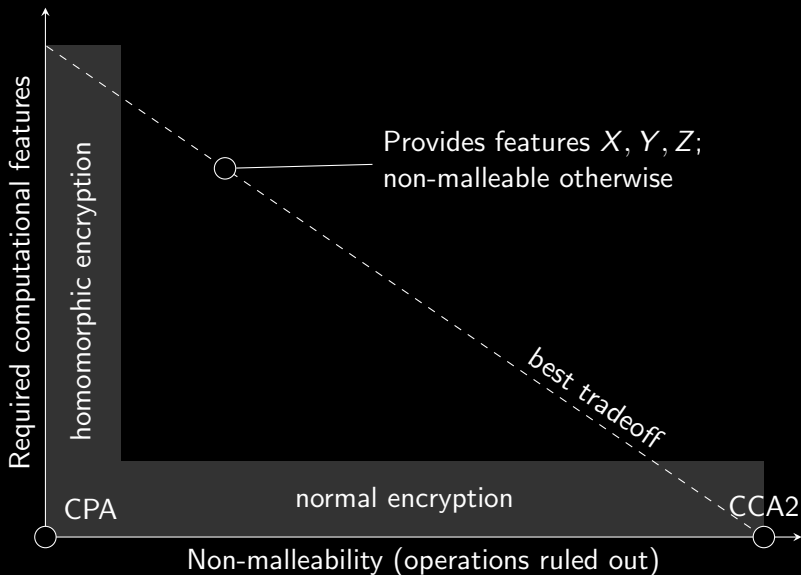
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- ▶ Address problem in context of **homomorphic encryption**
- ▶ New general-purpose non-malleability definition
- ▶ New family of constructions

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- ▶ Infeasible to change $\text{Enc}(\alpha)$ into $\text{Enc}(\alpha^k)$
- ▶ Infeasible to change $\text{Enc}(\alpha), \text{Enc}(\beta)$ into $\text{Enc}(\alpha\beta)$

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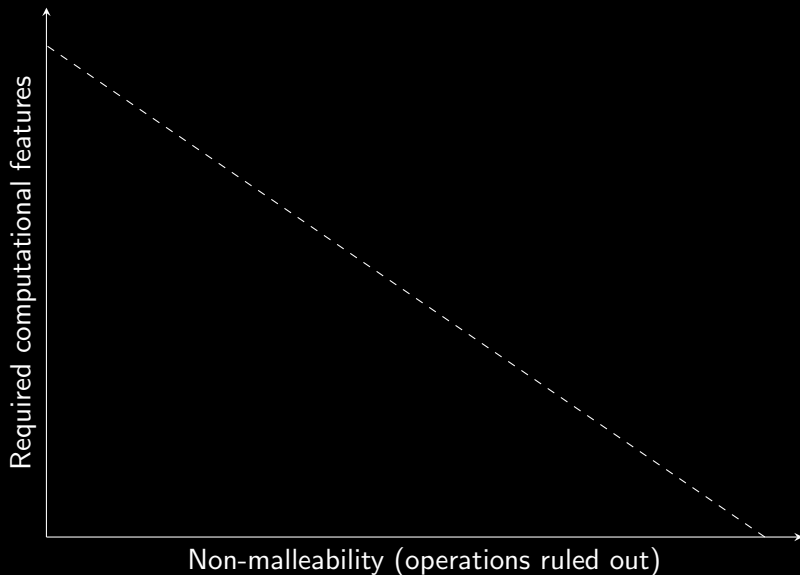
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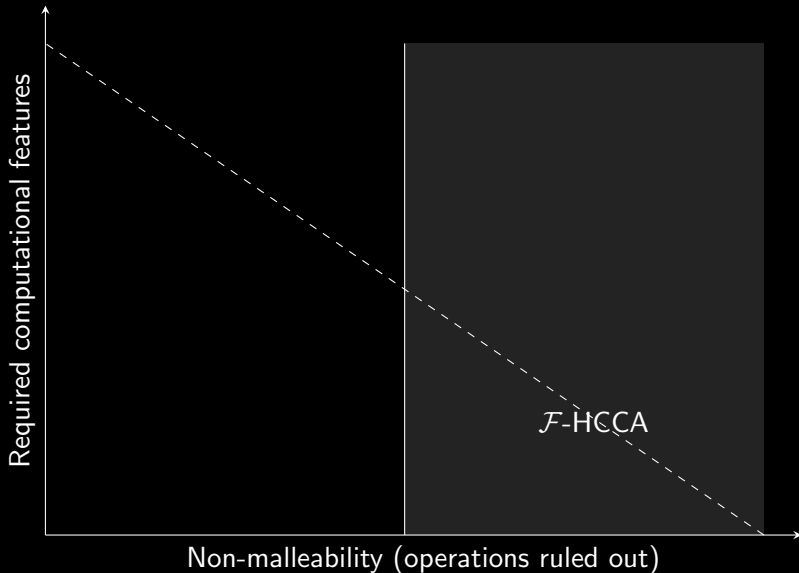
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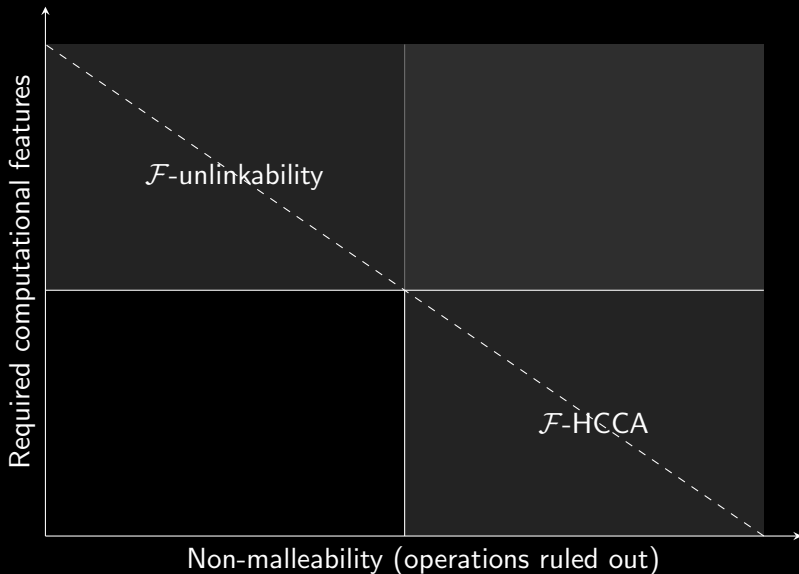
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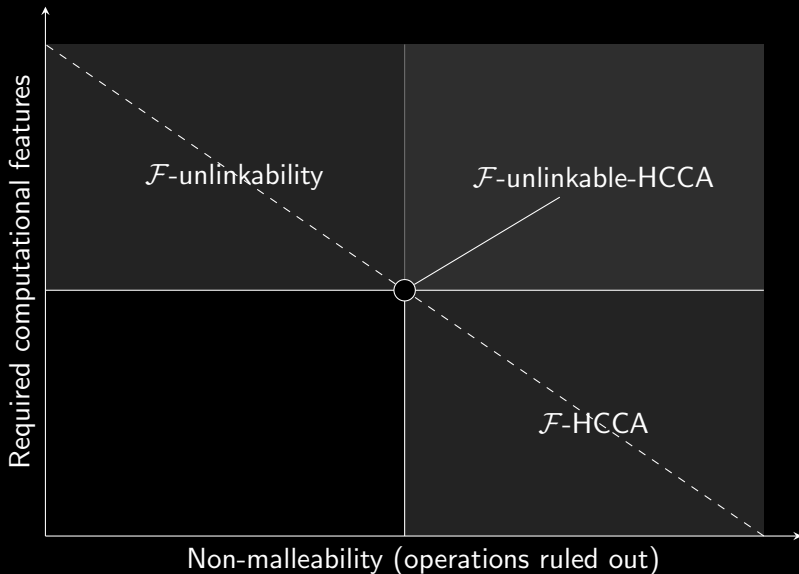
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RCCA: C' is derivative iff $\text{Dec}(C') = \text{Dec}(C)$ [CKN03]

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Extraction procedure determines how C' derived from C .

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Disclaimer:

- ▶ Oracles for RigEnc and RigExtract should be provided, too.

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Theorem

CCA, gCCA, RCCA are all special cases of HCCA

In each of these cases:

- ▶ The only allowed transformation is identity function
- ▶ RigEnc simply uses Enc honestly

HCCA more expressive when its full power is used.

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In our UC functionality:, parties post messages, represented as “formal ciphertexts”

Message privacy: Formal ciphertexts reveal nothing; only recipient can obtain underlying message

Homomorphic feature: Anyone can generate a “derived post” by giving f and existing ciphertext

Unlinkability: Same internal behavior for both kinds of posts

Non-malleability: No one can use unauthorized f

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Proof.

Encapsulate CCA scheme inside *any* unlinkable HCCA scheme

- ▶ New scheme inherits outer unlinkability
- ▶ Inner CCA scheme “cancels” everything except identity function



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Example instantiations:

- ▶ Allow all group operations in \mathcal{G}^n
- ▶ Allow only “scalar multiplication” of vectors:

$$(m_1, \dots, m_n) \mapsto (f \cdot m_1, \dots, f \cdot m_n)$$

- ▶ Allow group operations only on particular components – other components non-malleable
- ▶ Allow only identity function (Rerandomizable RCCA)

Construction

Our construction significantly generalizes rerandomizable RCCA scheme of [PR07].

- ▶ Obtain [PR07] scheme as special case
- ▶ Uses techniques from [G⁺04,CS01].

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Our construction is unlinkable & HCCA-secure under DDH assumption in 2 groups of related size.

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Our contributions:

- ▶ New definitions for case of unary homomorphic encryption
- ▶ Justify definitions by relating to existing ones
- ▶ Family of constructions that achieve definitions

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“Key-activated” homomorphic encryption:

- ▶ Scheme is CCA secure . . .
- ▶ . . . unless you have a token that “activates” only selected homomorphic features.

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