

# Revisiting Generic Conversion from Non-Adaptive to Adaptively Secure IBS: Tightness and an Extension

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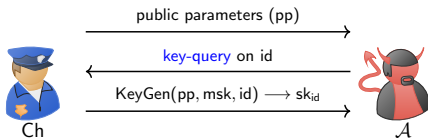
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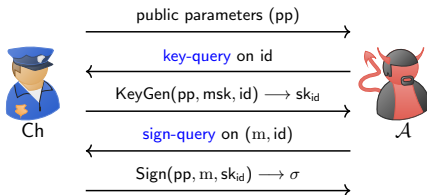
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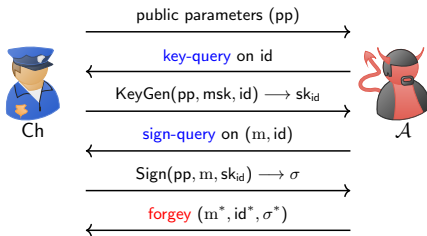
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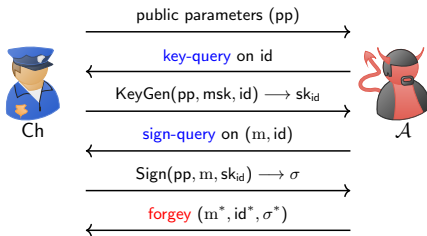
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- According to the definition of IBS, a user with identity  $\text{id}$  generates signatures on  $(\text{id}, \text{m})$  for different messages  $\text{m}$  using the **same private key**  $\text{sk}_{\text{id}}$ , and this environment is **correctly captured by the EU-ID-CMA model [BNN04, LPLL20]**.

# Non-Adaptive Model: EUF-naCMA

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- Note that tightly secure cryptographic schemes offer **better concrete security** assurance than their non-tight counterparts.
- Zhang et al. (2019) proposed a generic construction of IBS using two digital signatures: one secure in the single-user setting and the other in the multi-user setting.
- Later, Lee et al. (2020) showed that the same construction achieves **tight security in the EUF-ID-CMA model**.
- However, the construction is **not efficient** as each signature includes the underlying public key.



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**Note:** The above result has recently been extended (SPMC-ACNS23) to the **QROM**.

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## Issue in EUF-ID-CMA-PW

- ❶ For answering two (or more) signing queries on the same identity but for different messages, a **fresh key is generated each time**.
- ❷ When  $\mathcal{A}$  makes a sign query followed by a key query on the same identity, the returned signing key is **different** from the one used to generate the signature.

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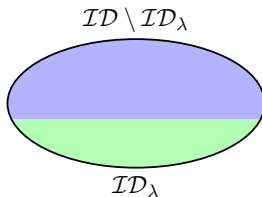
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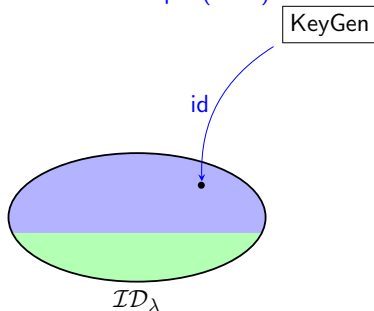
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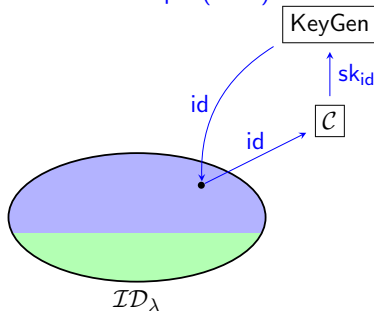
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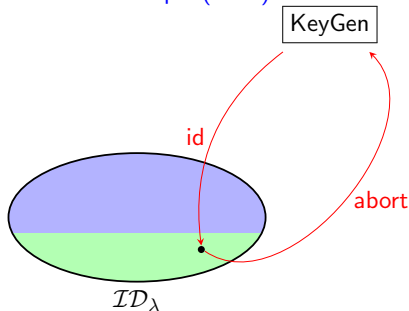
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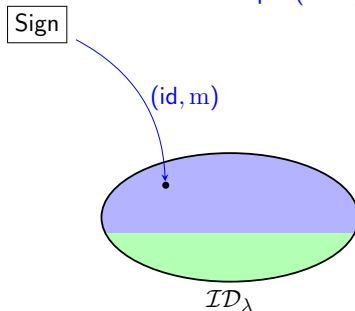
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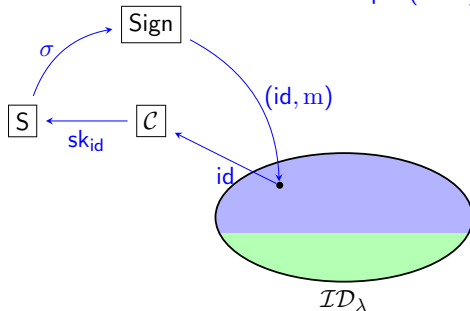
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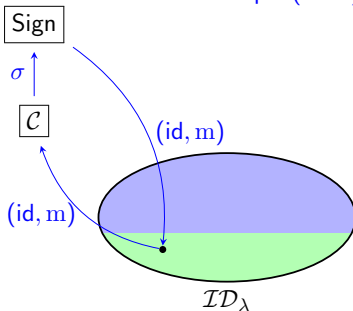
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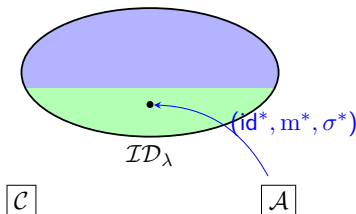
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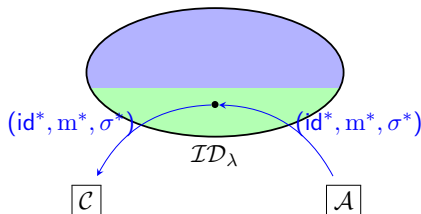
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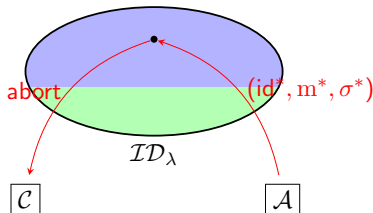
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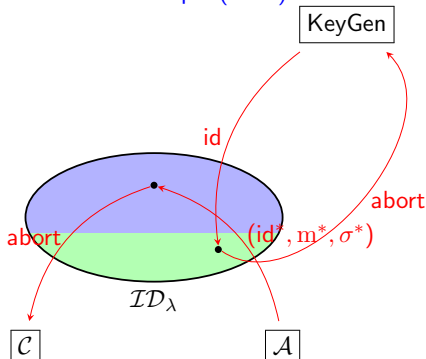
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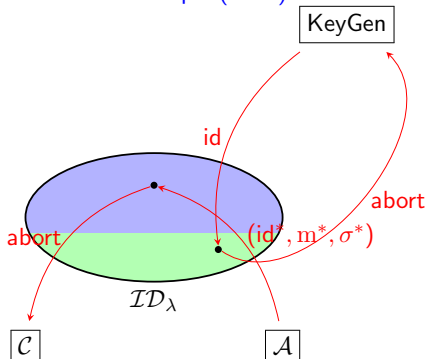
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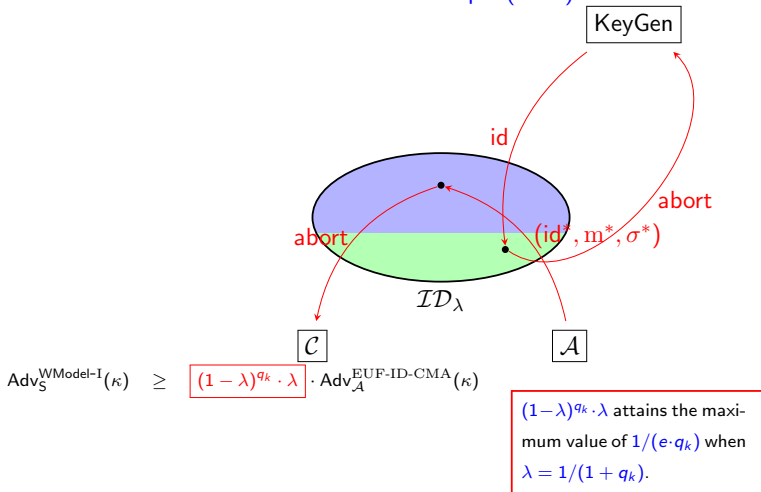
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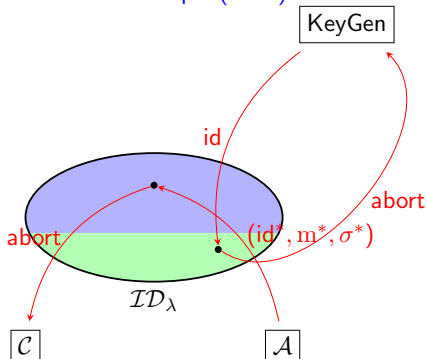
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