

How to Use Indistinguishability Obfuscation: Deniable Encryption, and More

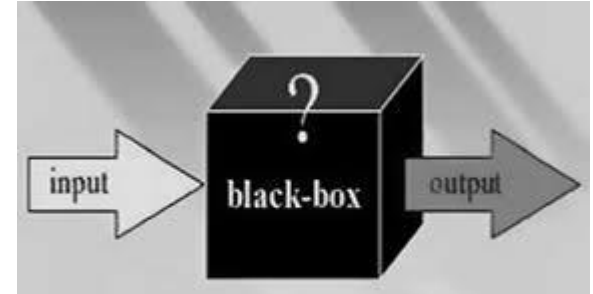
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Two Notions[BGIRSVY01]



❑ Black Box Obfuscation

Learn no more than oracle interaction

Natural, easy to use, but impossible for *some* functions

❑ Indistinguishability Obfuscation

Cannot tell two equivalent circuits apart

E.g. $a(b+c)$ vs. $ab + ac$

Application is less immediate

Candidate! [GGHRSW13]

Vision: IO as hub for cryptography

Standard Assumption (e.g. LWE) (w/complexity leveraging?)



Indistinguishability
Obfuscation



"Most" of cryptography

Result 1: Building up crypto

Indistinguishability
Obfuscation

+ OWFs



PKE, short signatures, NIZK, OT, TDF, CCA-PKE

Punctured Programming:

Surgically remove key elements w/o changing input/output

Uses Confined PRFs [BW13,BGI13,KPTZ13]

Result 2: Deniable Encryption [CDN097]

Claim a different message, even if attacker demands your random coins

MIT 1998



OMG NSYNC is kewl



“Hidden Trigger” Technique

Make any existing key deniable