

# On algorithms for solving Euclidean lattice problems in cryptography

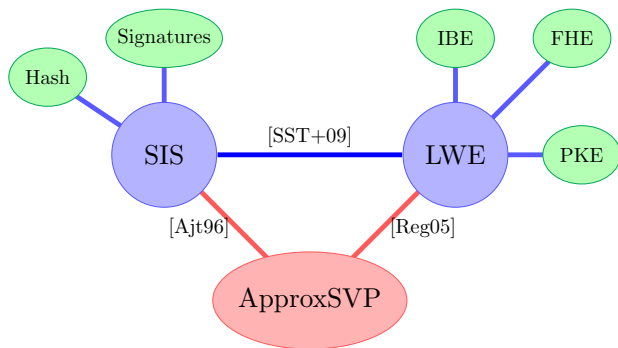
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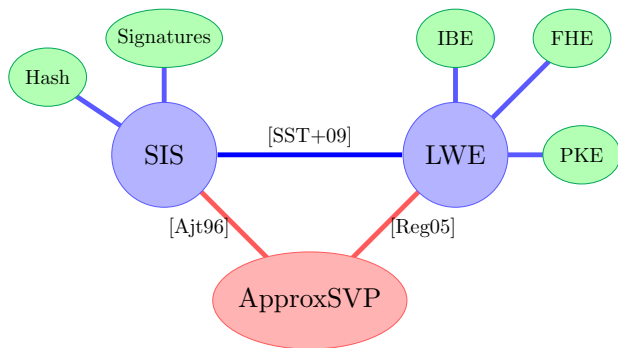
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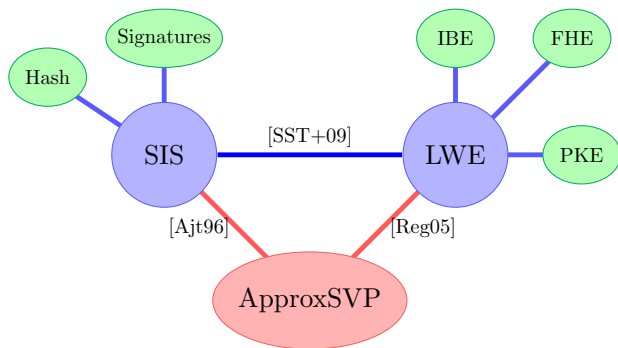
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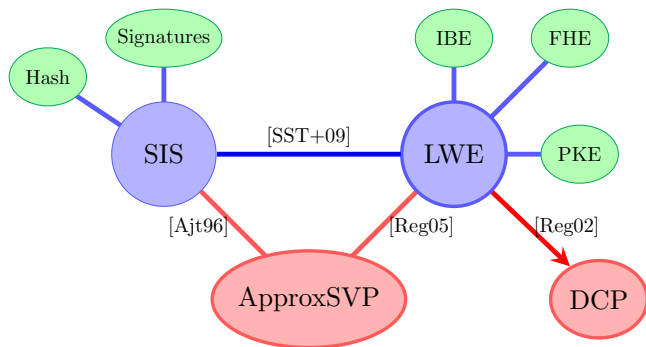
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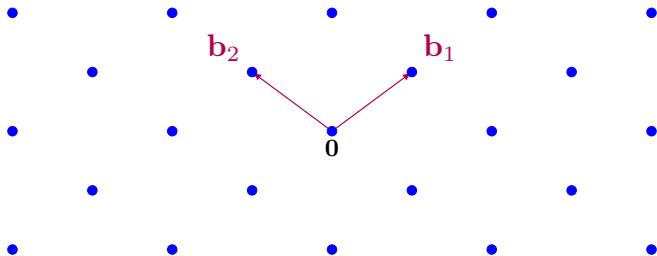
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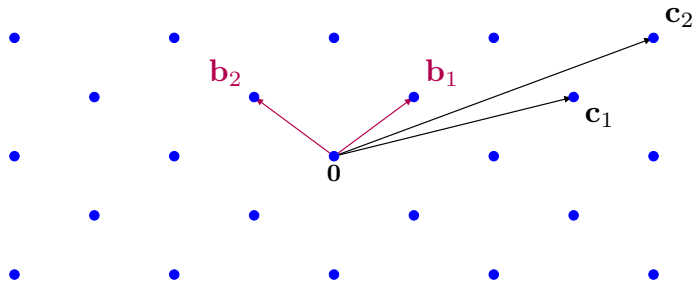
## Part I: **The Approximate Shortest Vector Problem and lattice reduction algorithms.**



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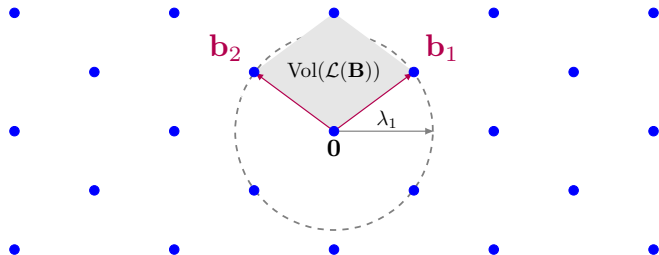
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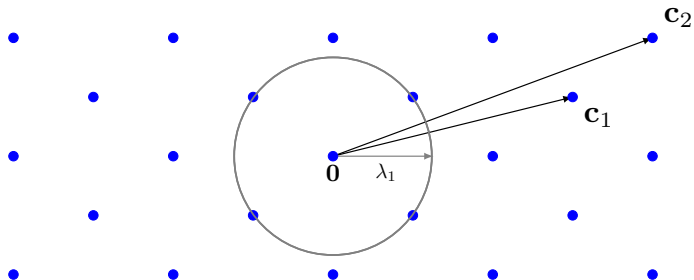
## First minimum

$$\lambda_1(\mathcal{L}) = \min\{\|\mathbf{b}\| : \mathbf{b} \in \mathcal{L} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}\}.$$

## Volume of lattice

$$\text{Vol}(\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})) = \sqrt{\det(\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B})} \text{ for any basis } \mathbf{B}.$$

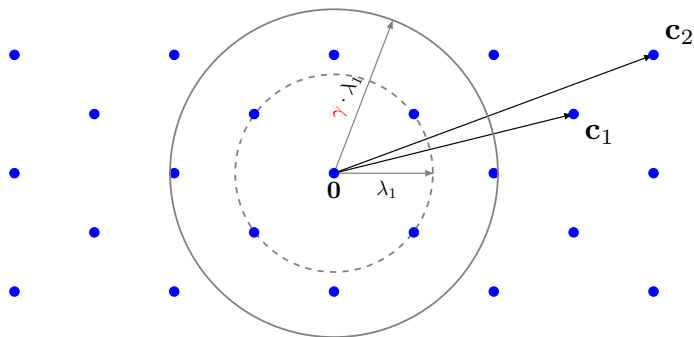
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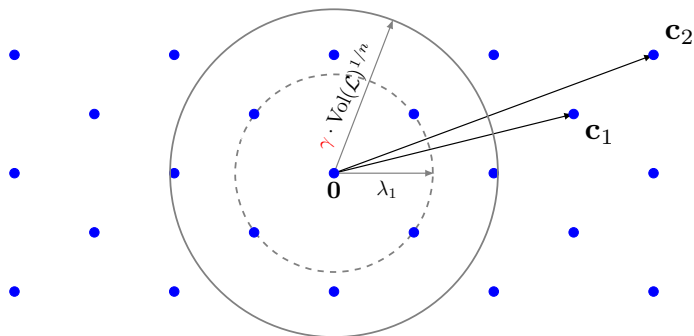
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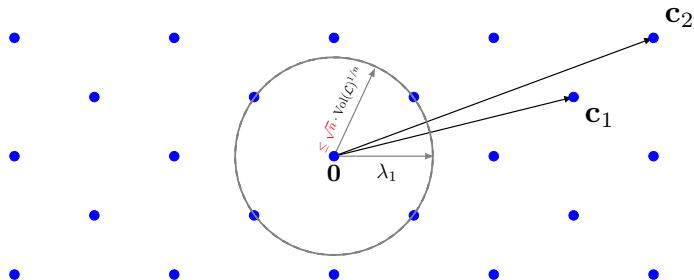
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Minkowski's theorem:  $\text{SVP} \Rightarrow \sqrt{n}\text{-HSVP}$ .  
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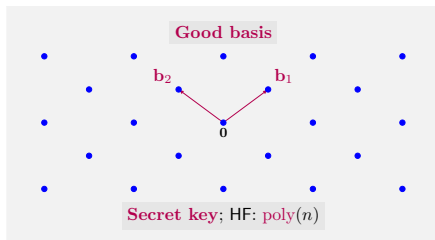
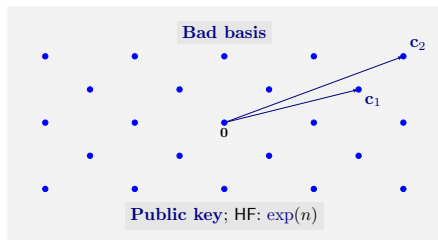
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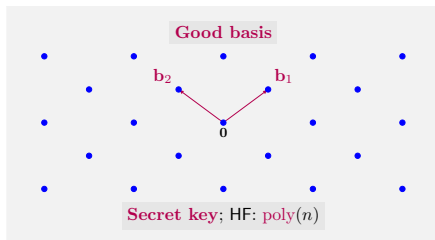
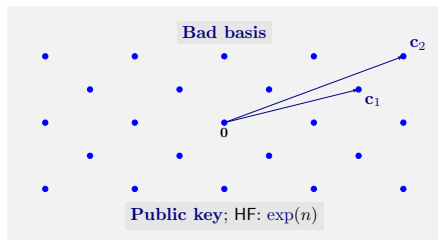


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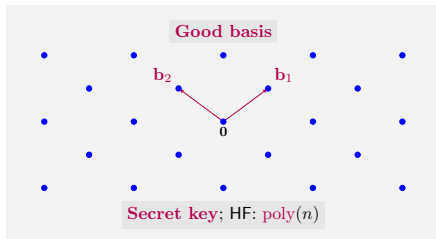
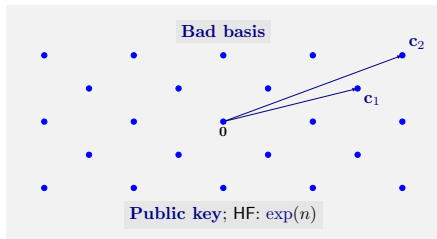
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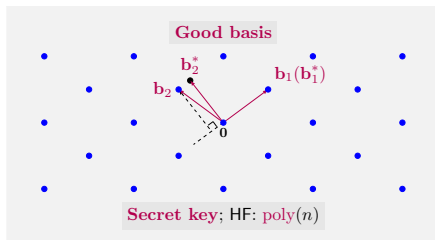
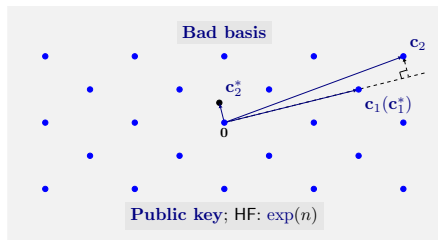
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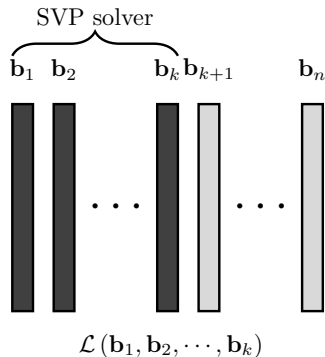
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A matrix  $\mathbf{B}^* = (\mathbf{b}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n^*)$  is the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization of  $\mathbf{B}$ ,

if  $\mathbf{b}_i^* = \mathbf{b}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mu_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_j^*$ , where  $\mu_{i,j} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{b}_i, \mathbf{b}_j^* \rangle}{\|\mathbf{b}_j^*\|^2}$ .

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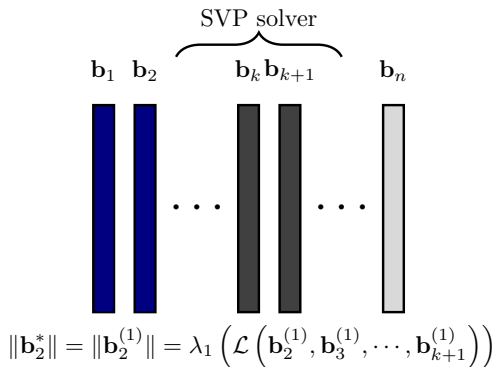
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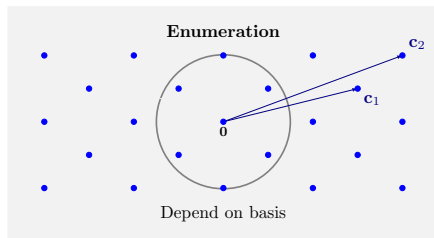
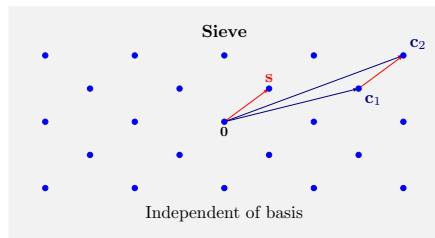
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- ▶ [HPS11]: poly(n) tours are sufficient to approximate the reduced basis produced by the (full) BKZ.

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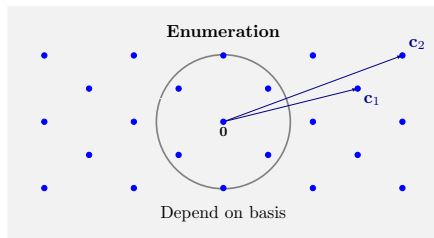
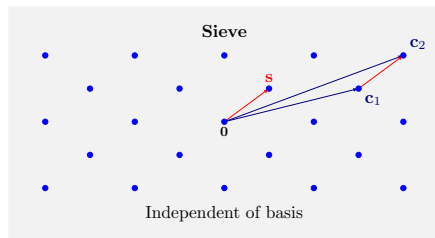


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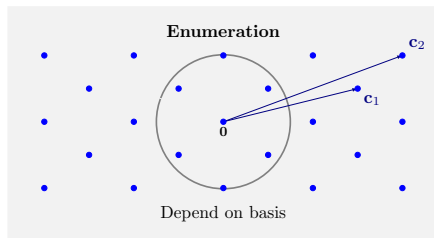
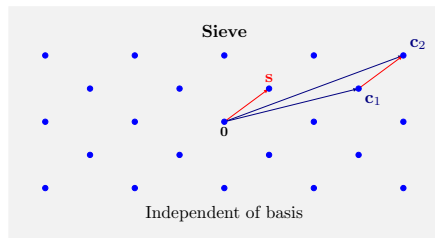
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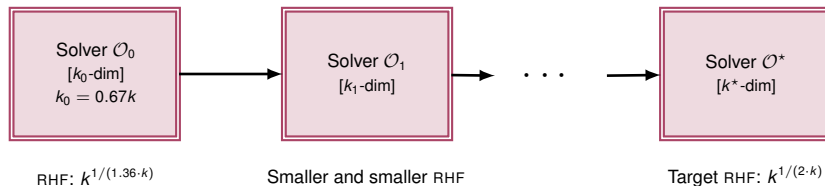
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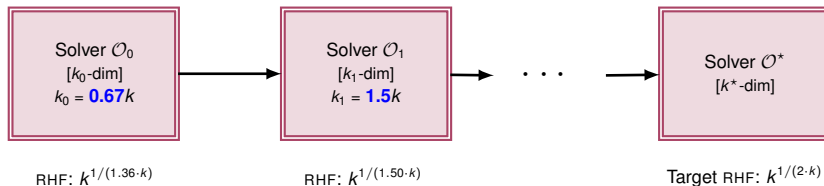
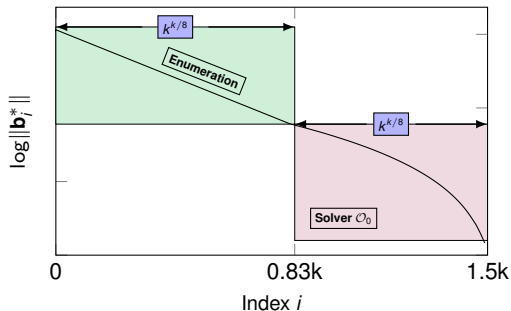
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- ▶ Start from a smaller  $k_0 = k \cdot 2e/8 (\approx 0.67k)$  as  $k_0^{k_0/(2e)} \leq k^{k/8}$ .
- ▶  $k_0$ -dim SVP (by Minkowski's theorem)  
⇒ For  $k_0$ -dim lattice, reach HF:  $\sqrt{k_0}$  and RHF:  $\sqrt{k_0}^{1/(k_0-1)} \approx k^{1/(1.36 \cdot k)}$ .



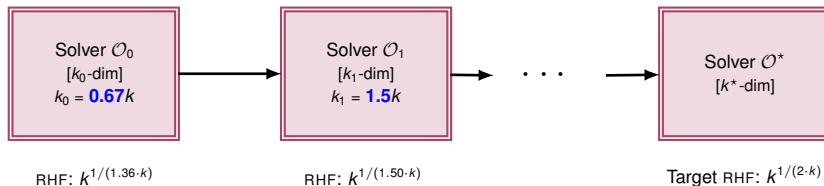
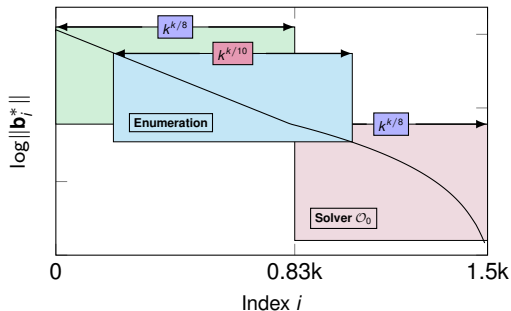
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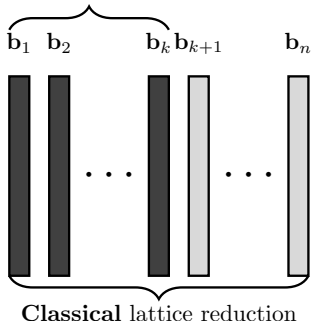
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- ▶ Enumeration and Sieve are the two most efficient SVP candidates for lattice reduction.
- ▶ The current cross-over point between enumeration-based and sieve-based lattice reduction algorithms is:
  - ⇒ **unknown** ( $o(k)$  is unknown for quantum sieve).
- ▶ Open: enumeration is relevant for cryptanalysis or not.

# Have we fully made use of the quantum computation?

Quantum SVP solver



- ▶ **Quantum SVP solver:** Quantum manipulation of classical data;
- ▶ Lattice reduction: ApproxSVP  $\leq$  SVP.

## Part II: **The Learning With Errors problem and (Extended-)Dihedral Coset Problem.**

(Recall: ApproxSVP is equivalent to LWE.)



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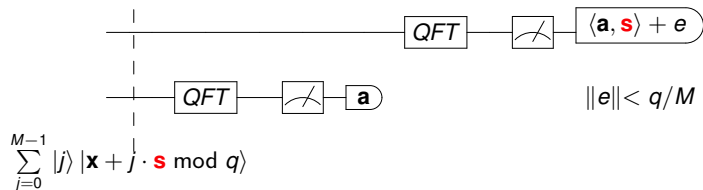
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Main result in [BKSW18]:

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► This actually generalizes the Shor's period-finding algorithm.

1. Given  $f$  a periodic function, we can prepare EDCP sample with  $M = q$ ;
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Q: Find separation between DCP and EDCP or prove they are equivalent.

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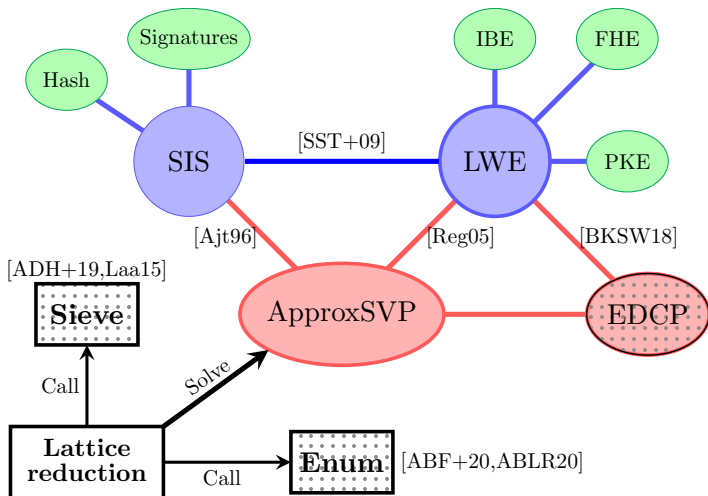
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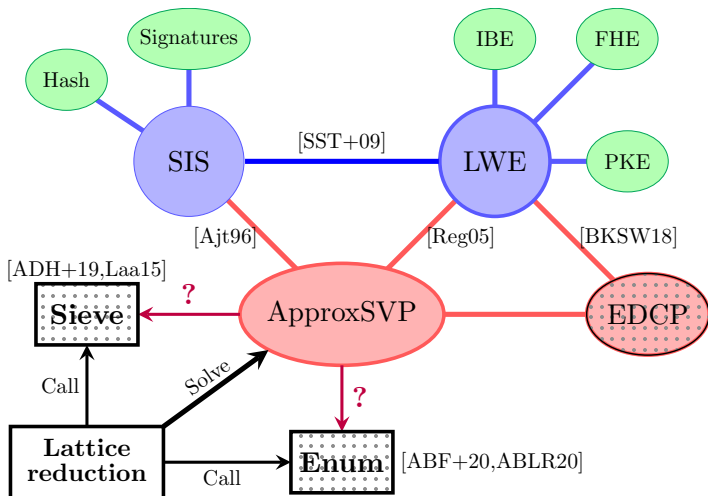
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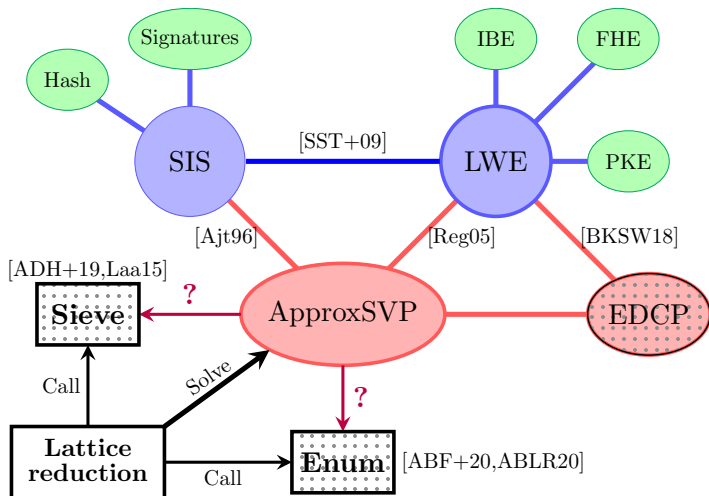
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