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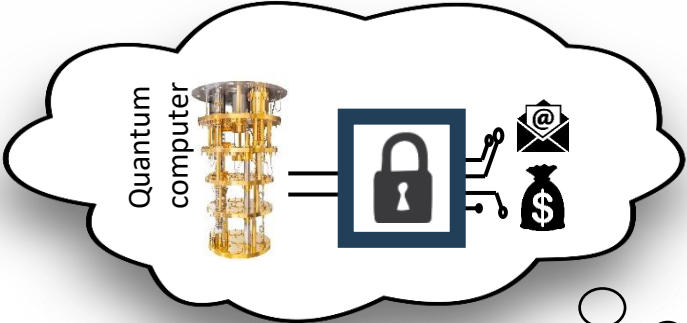
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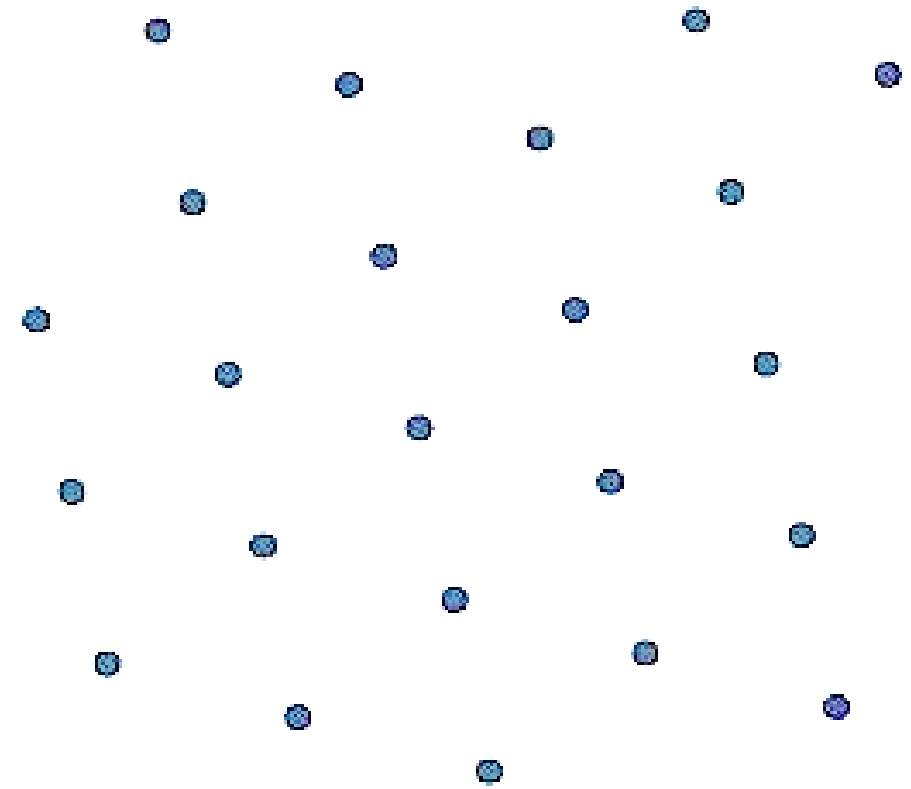
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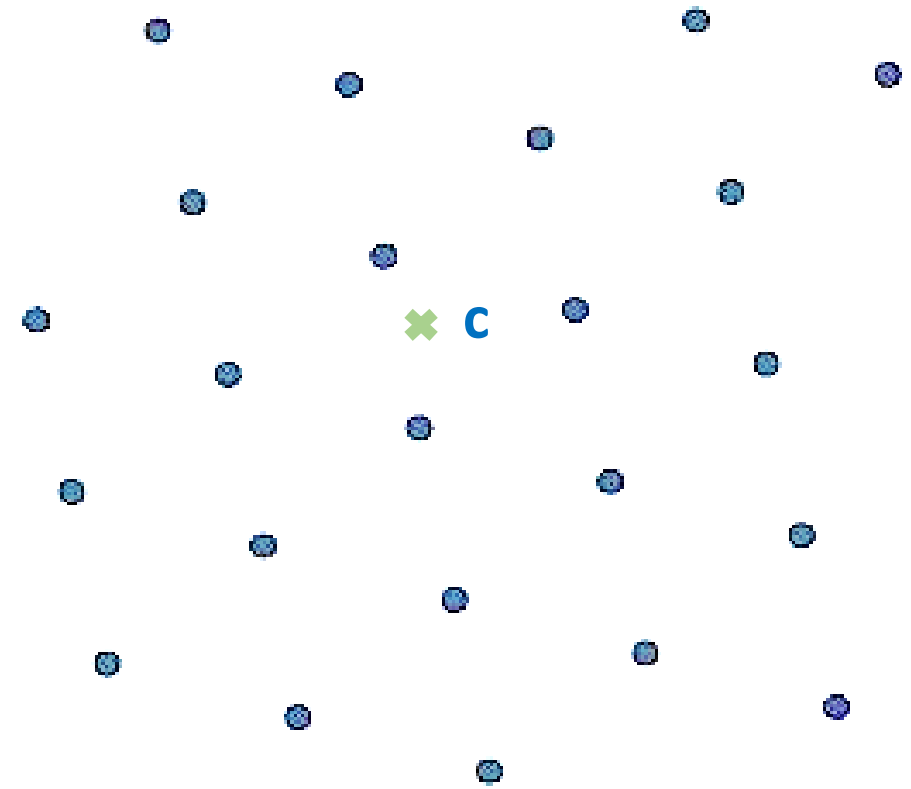


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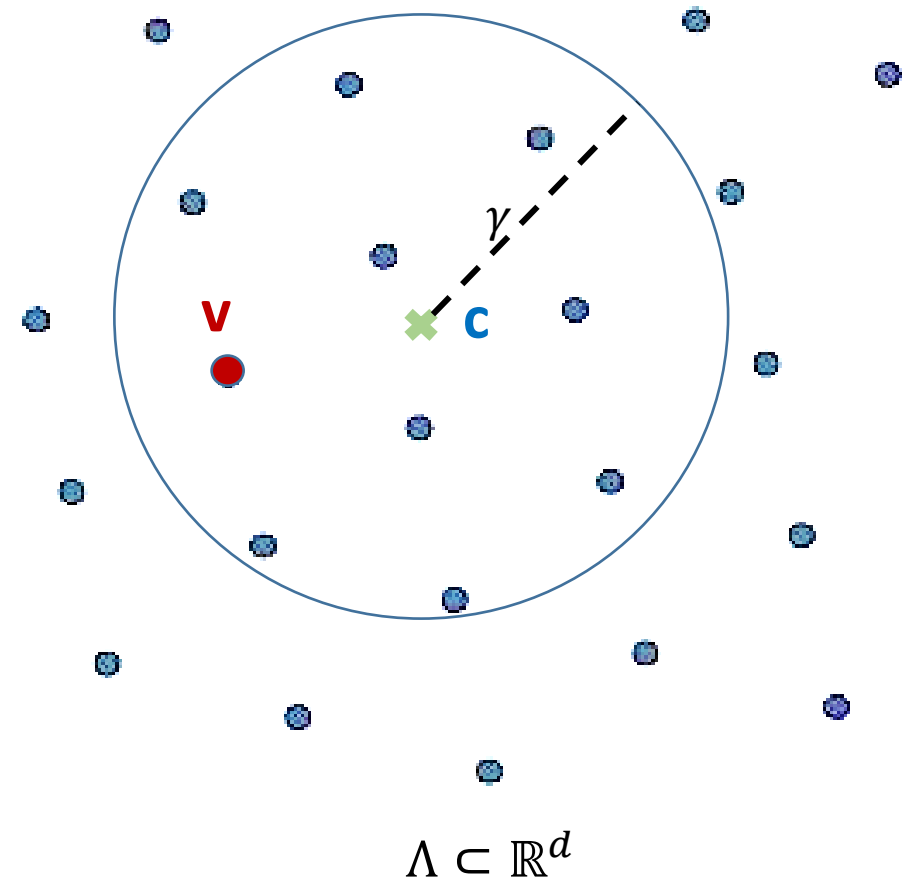


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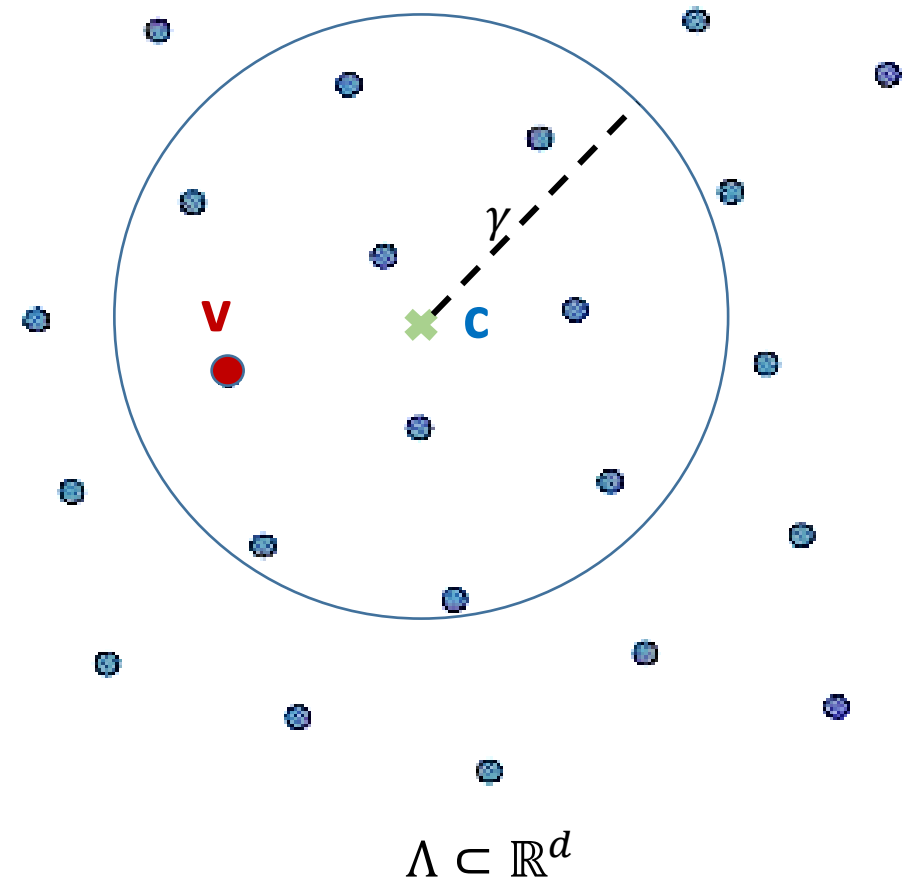
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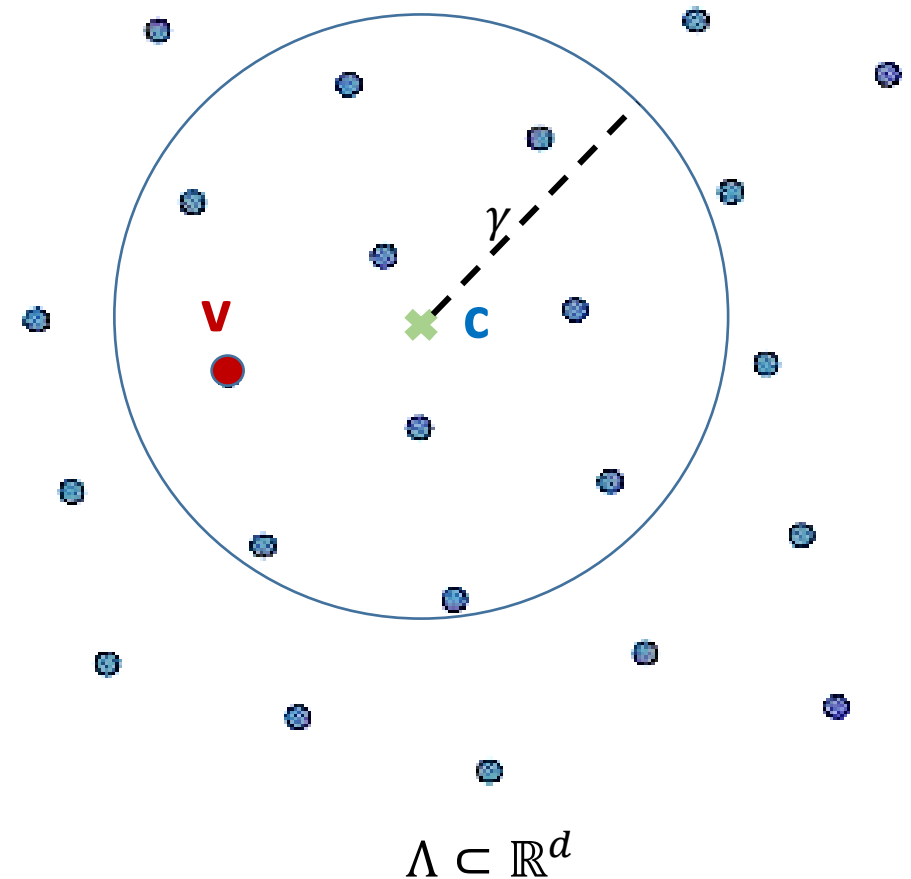
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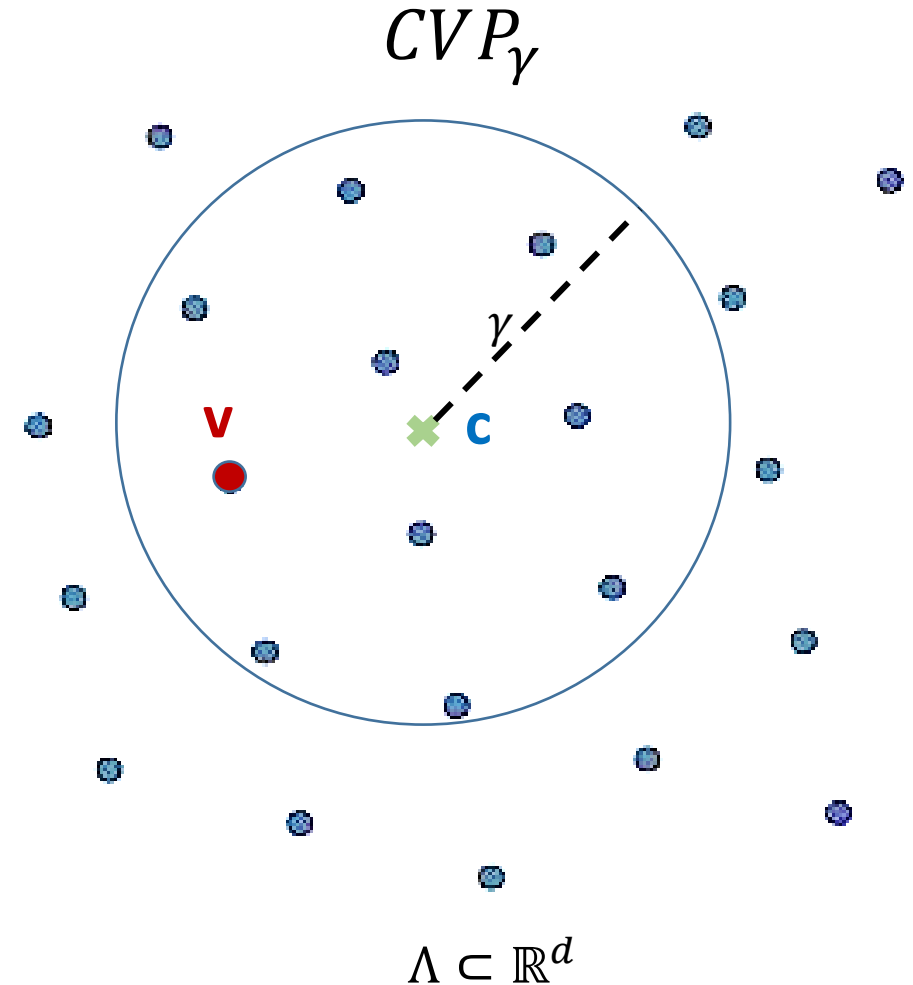
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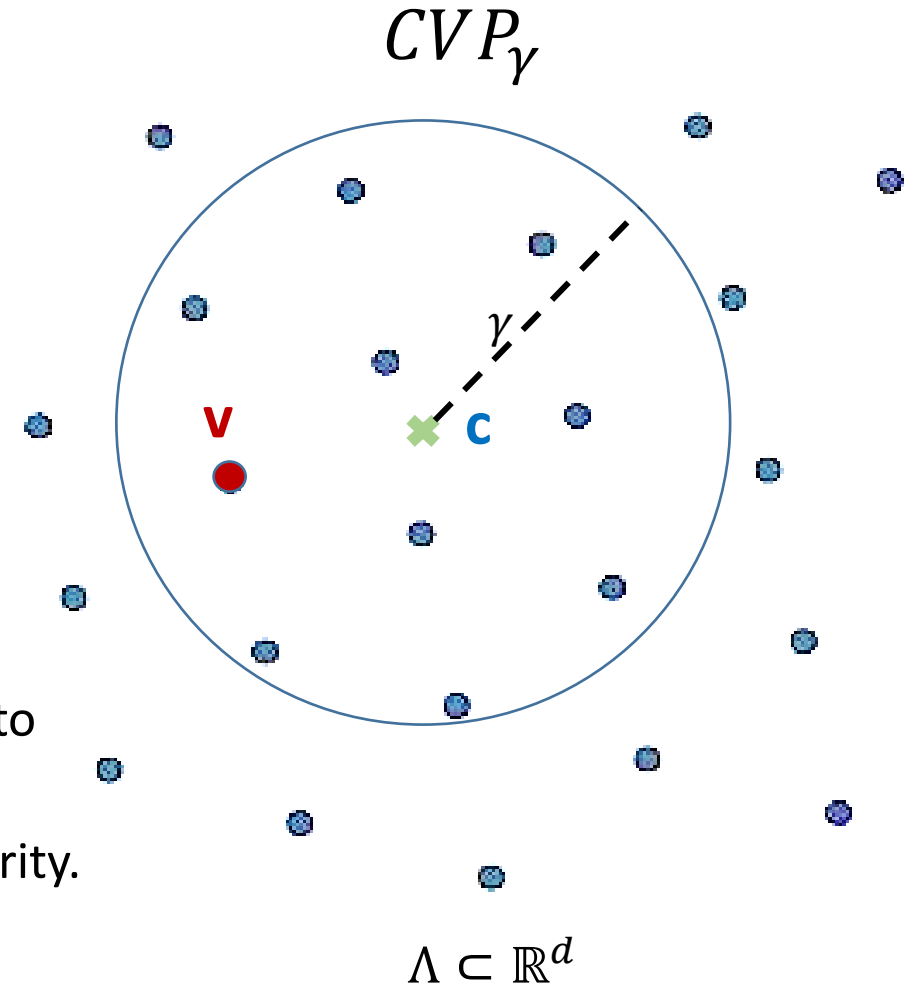
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Remarks:

- › **Security** : related to Close Vector Problem (CVP) hard to solve without \mathbf{sk} .
- › Smaller $\text{DiscreteGaussianSampler}(\mathbf{sk}, \cdot)$: better security.
- need \mathbf{sk} of « good quality ».



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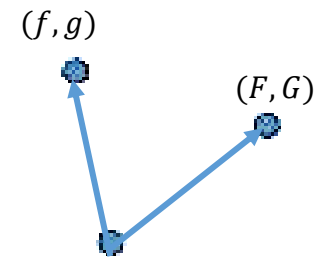
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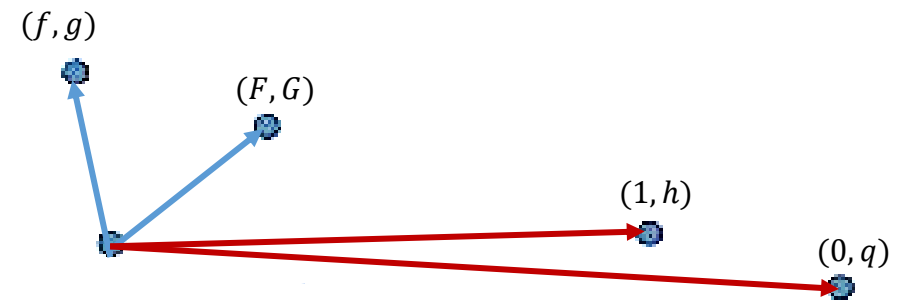
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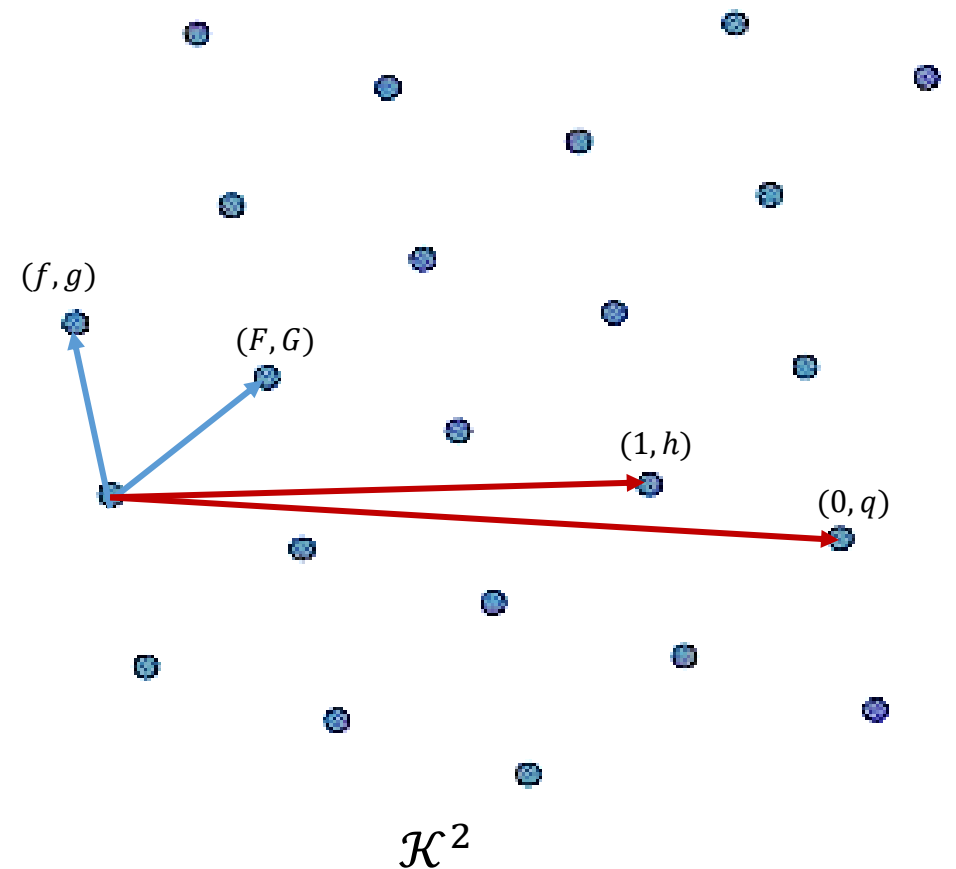
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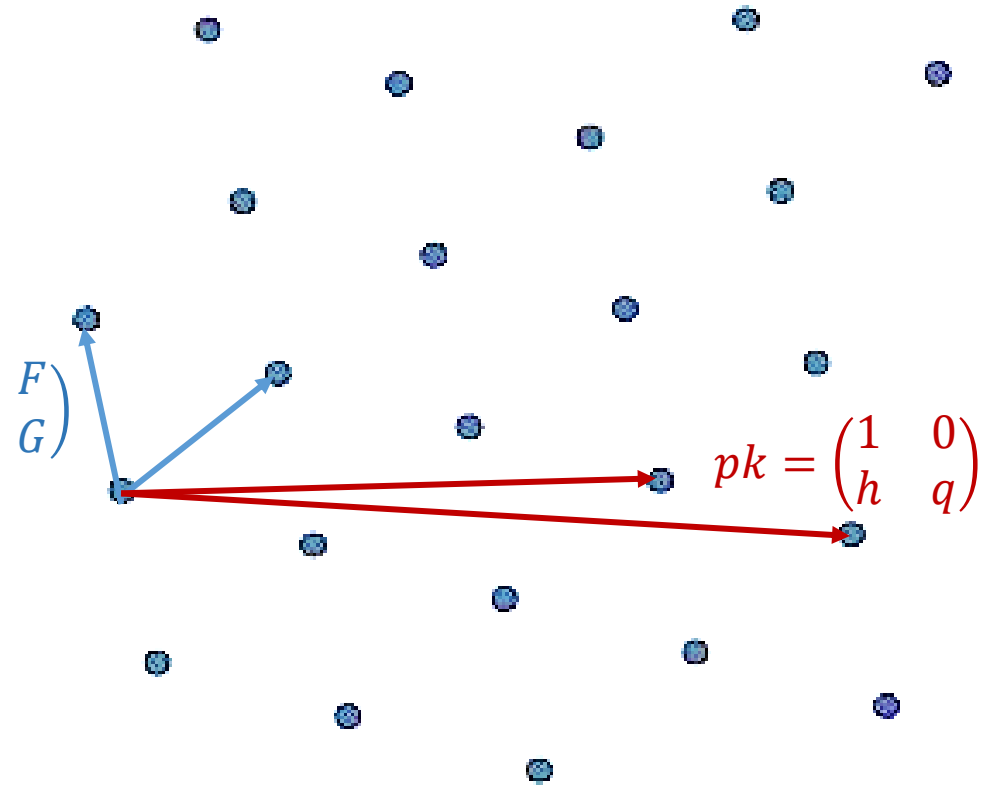
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- The secret key sk is the trapdoor.

NTRU *Trapdoor* generation

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$$pk = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ h & q \end{pmatrix}$$

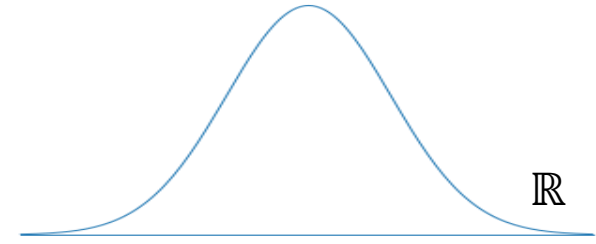


$$\Lambda_{NTRU} \subset \mathbb{Z}^{2n}$$

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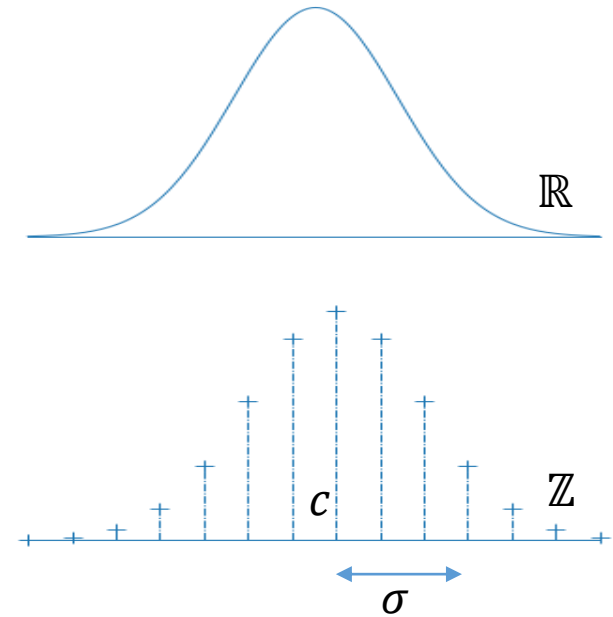
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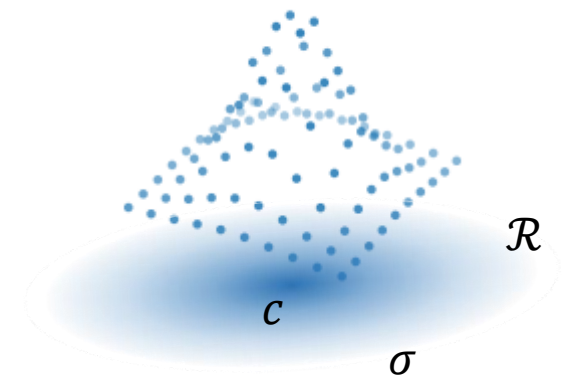
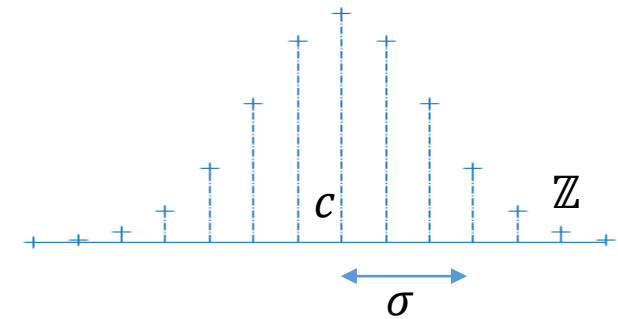
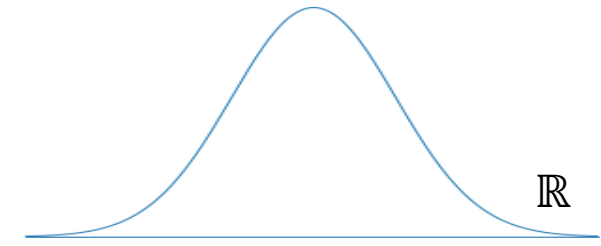
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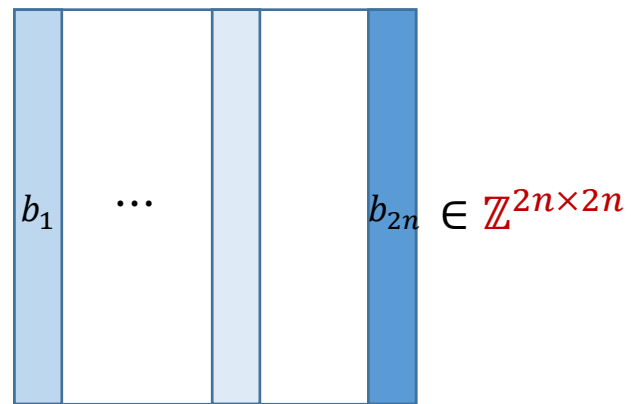
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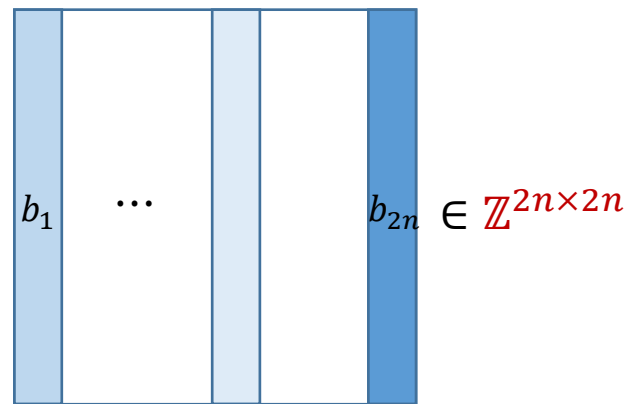
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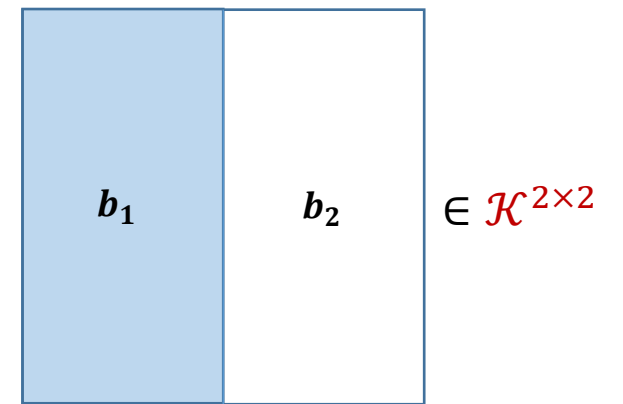
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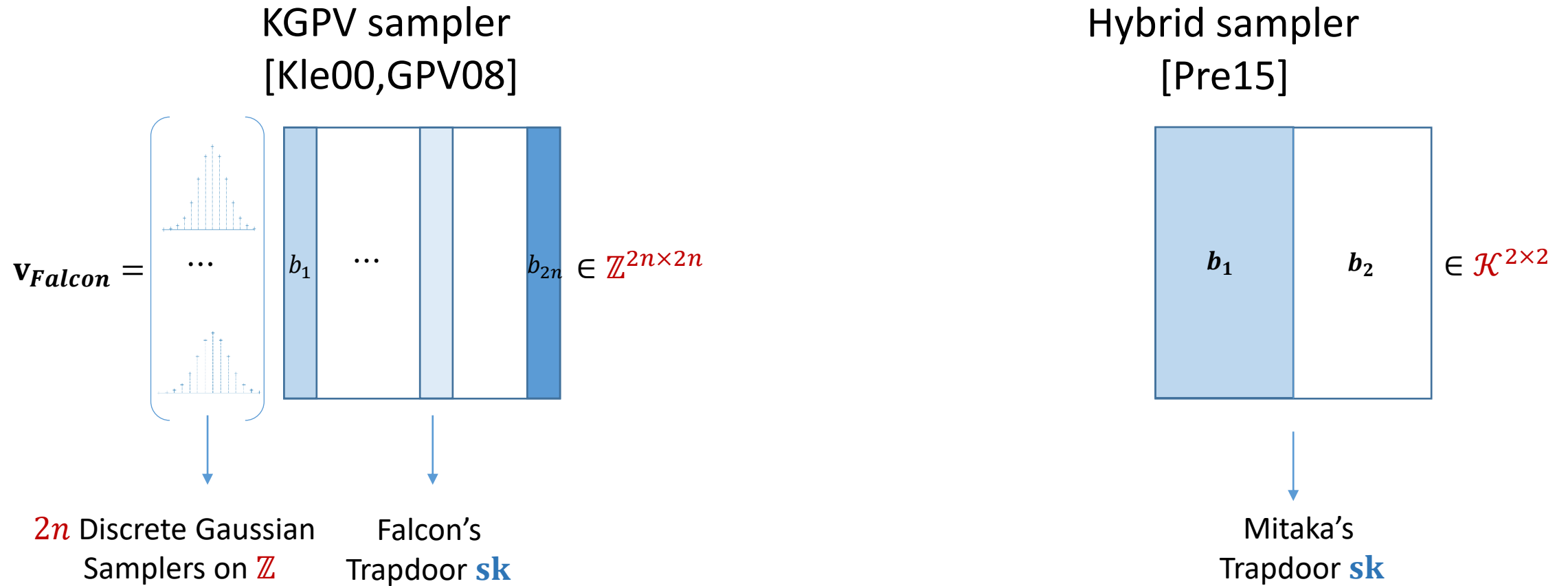
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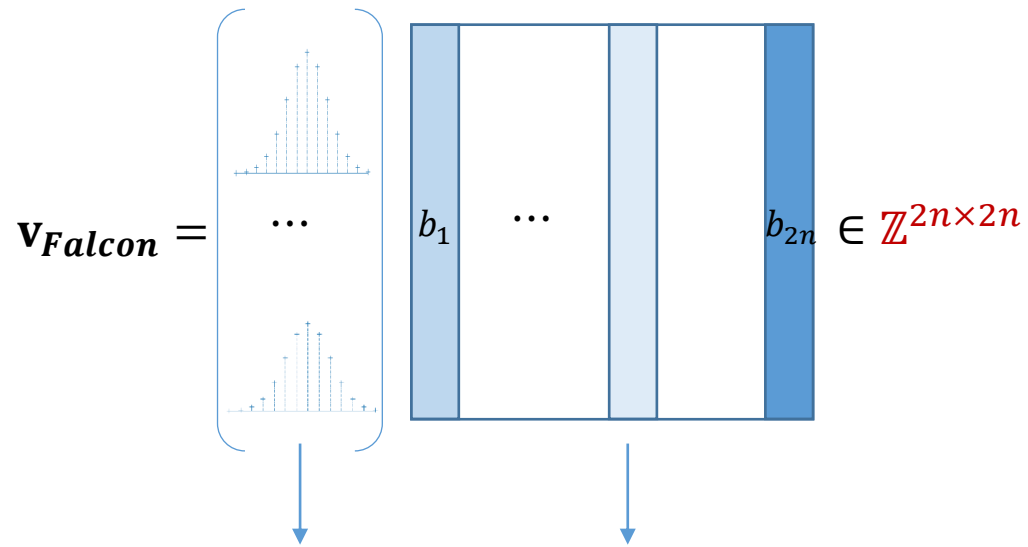
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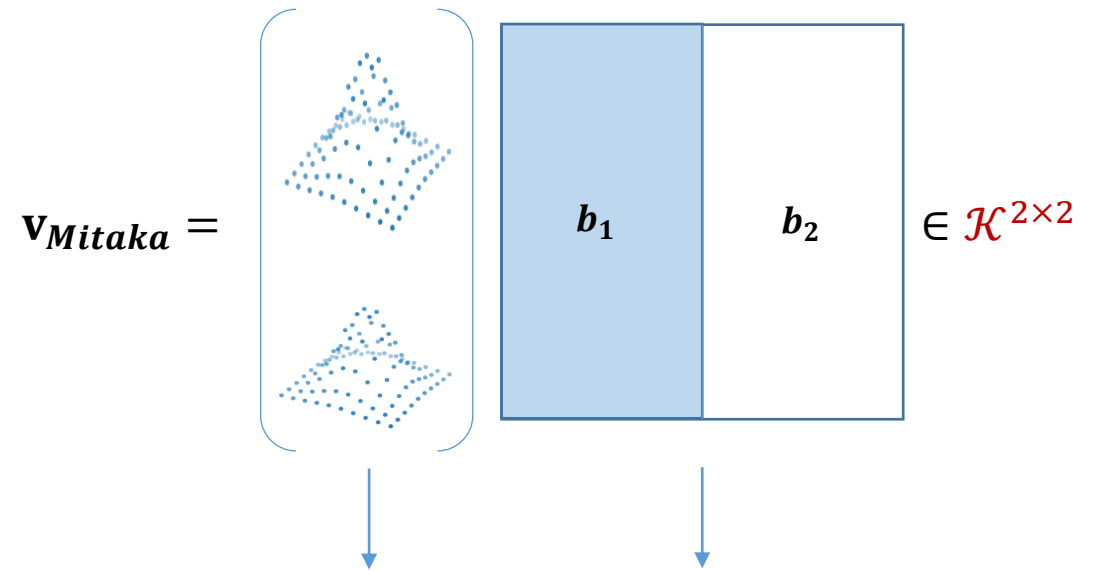
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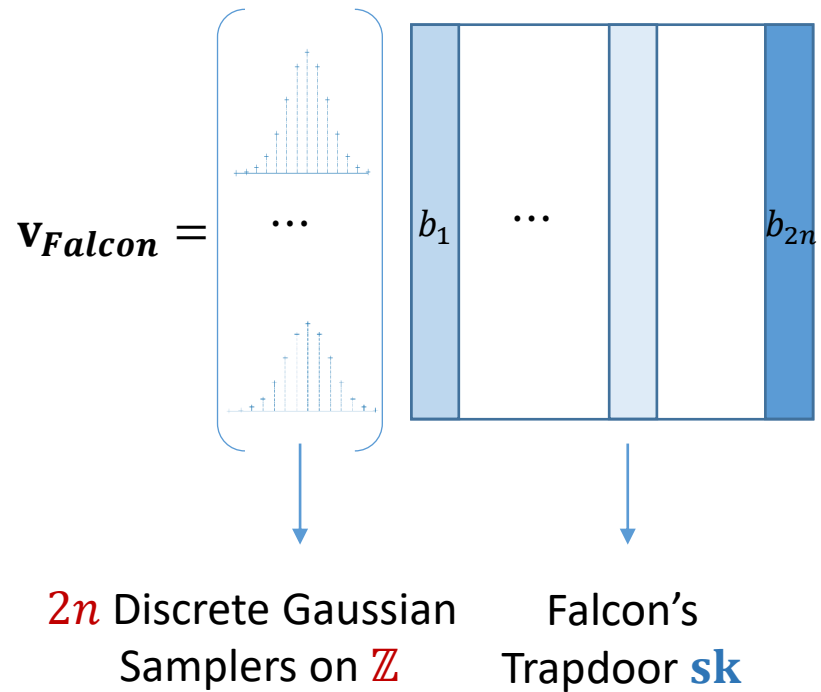
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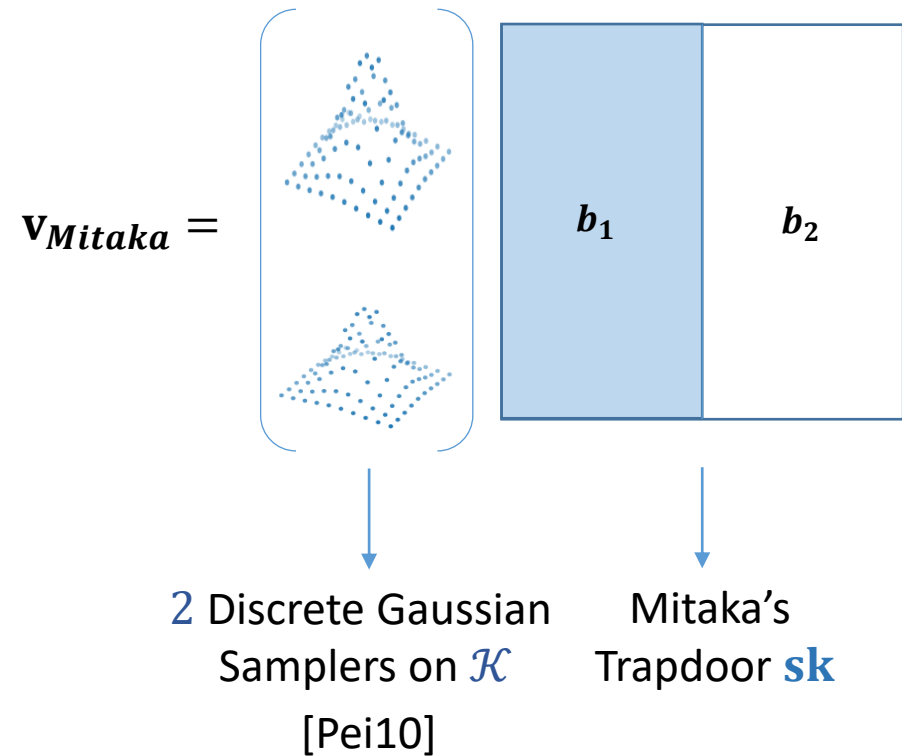
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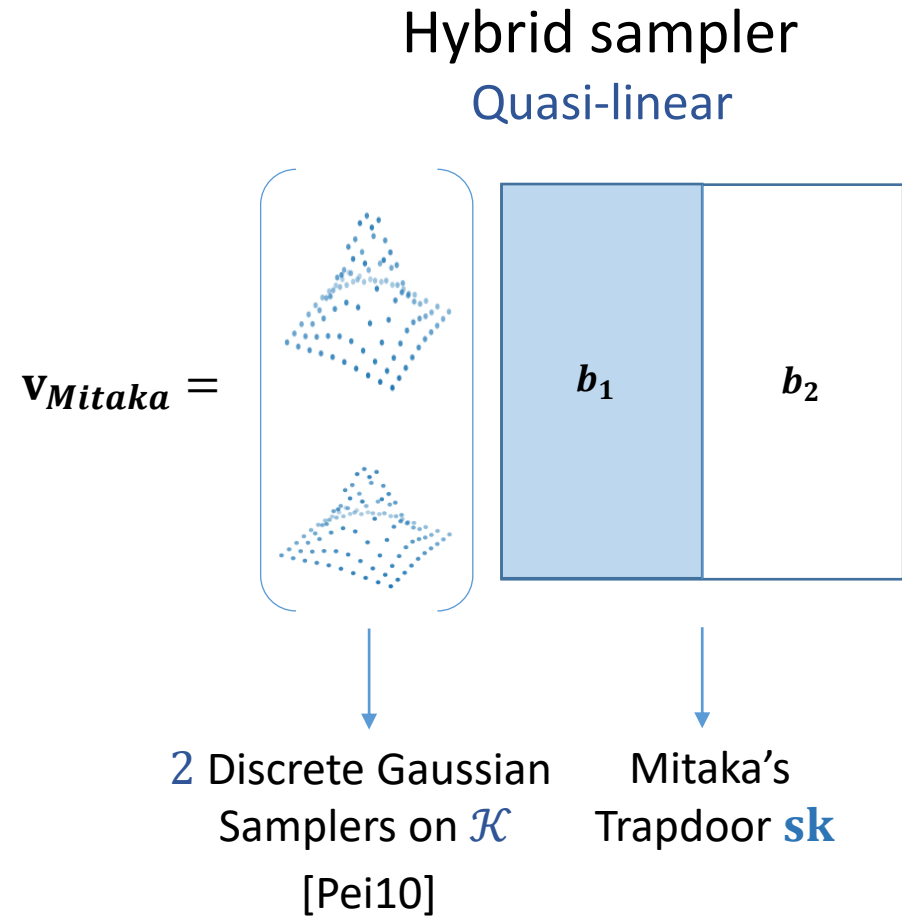
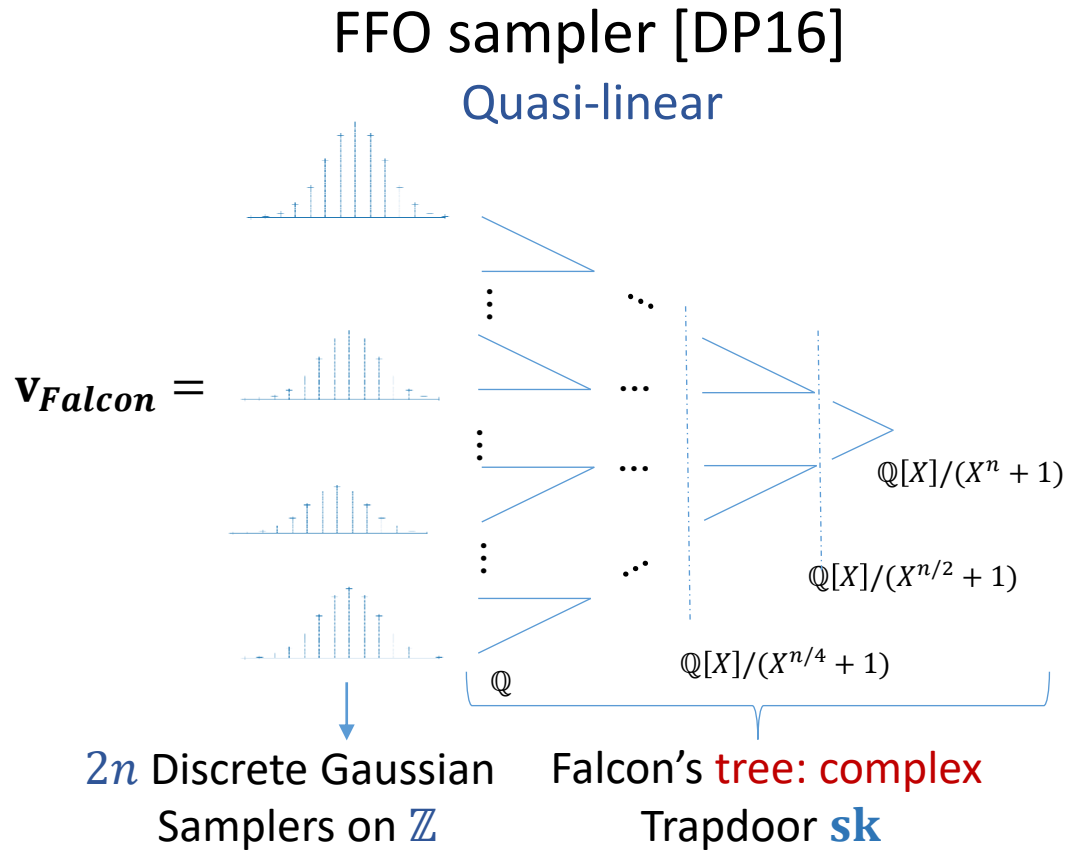
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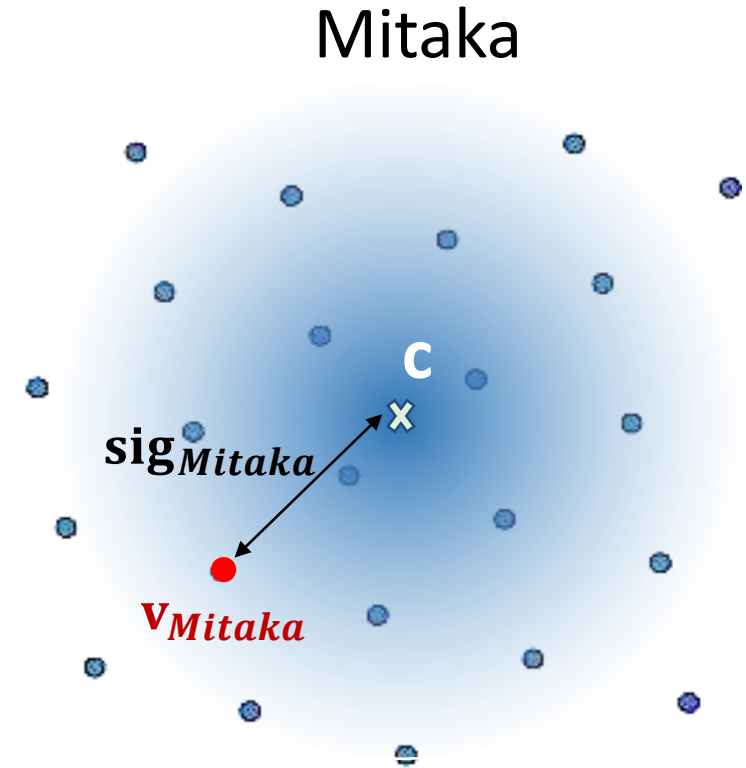
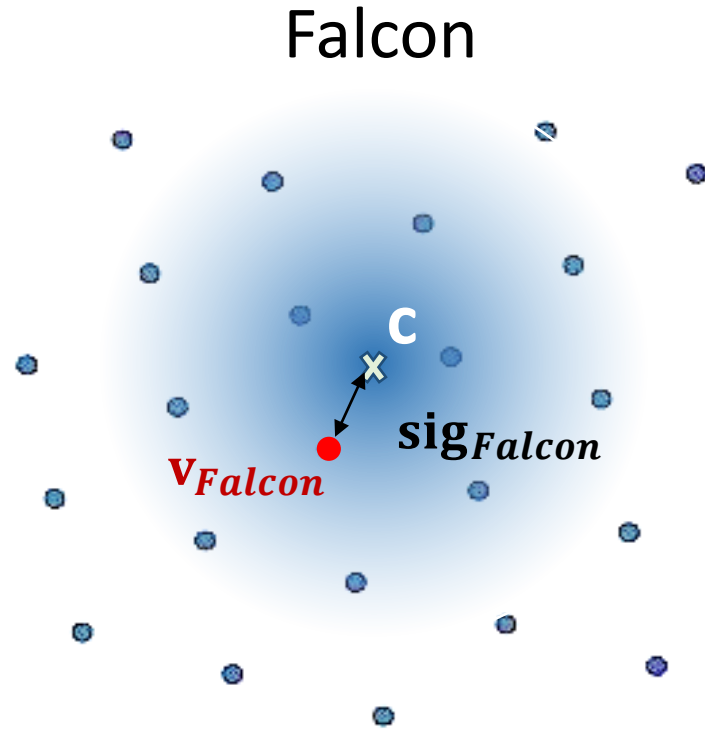
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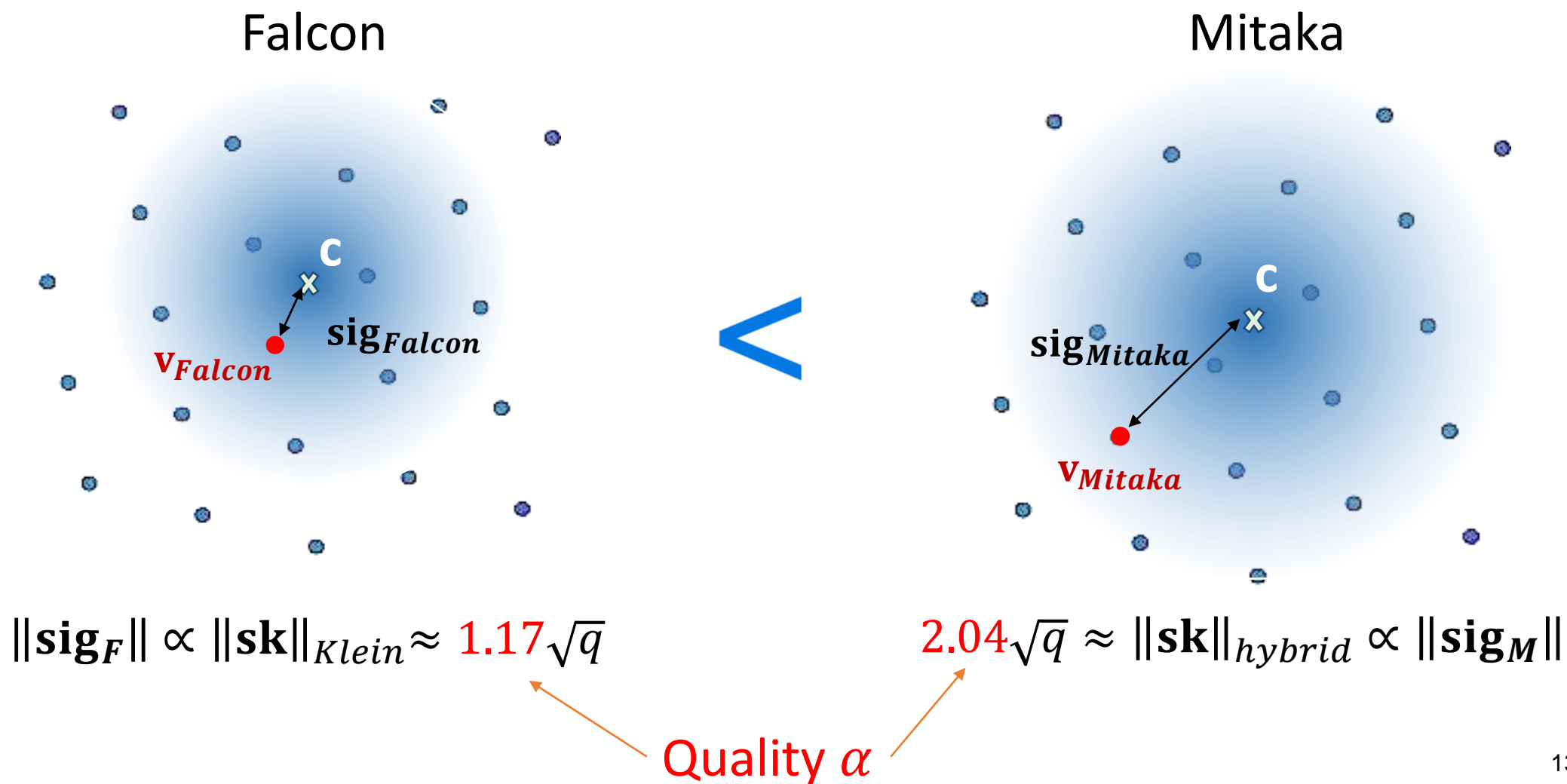
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$$\|\mathbf{sig}_F\| \propto \|\mathbf{sk}\|_{Klein} \approx 1.17\sqrt{q}$$

$$2.04\sqrt{q} \approx \|\mathbf{sk}\|_{hybrid} \propto \|\mathbf{sig}_M\|$$

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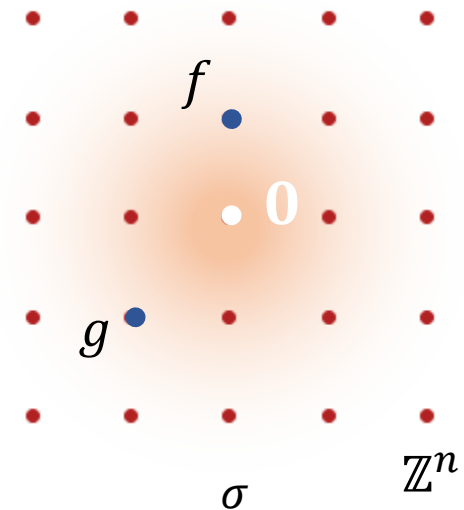
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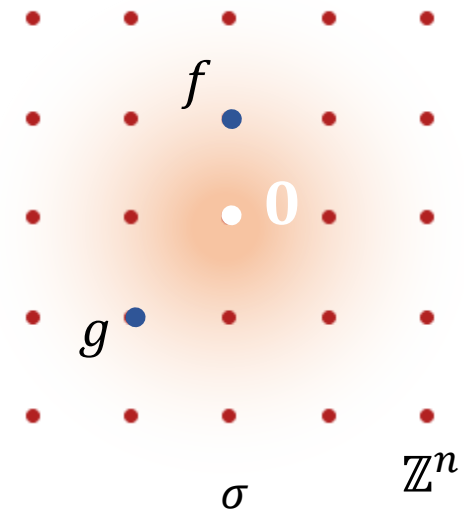
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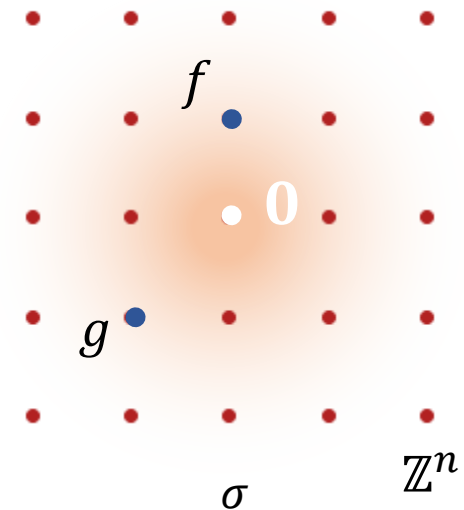
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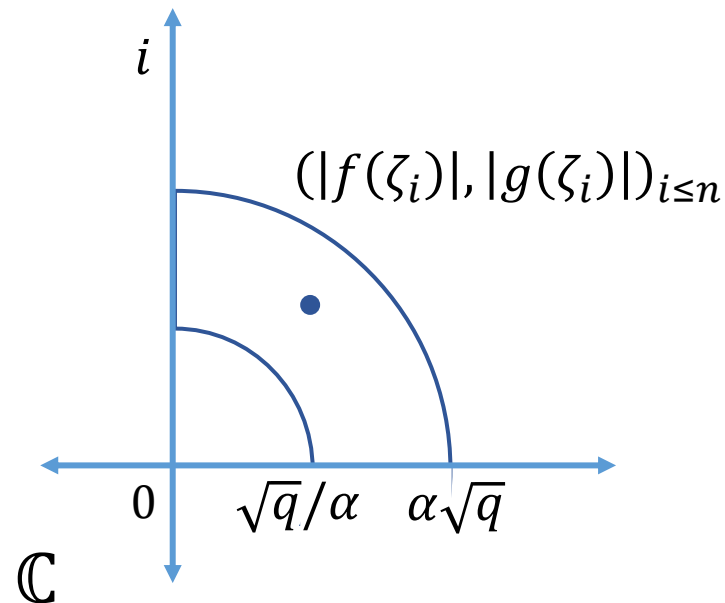
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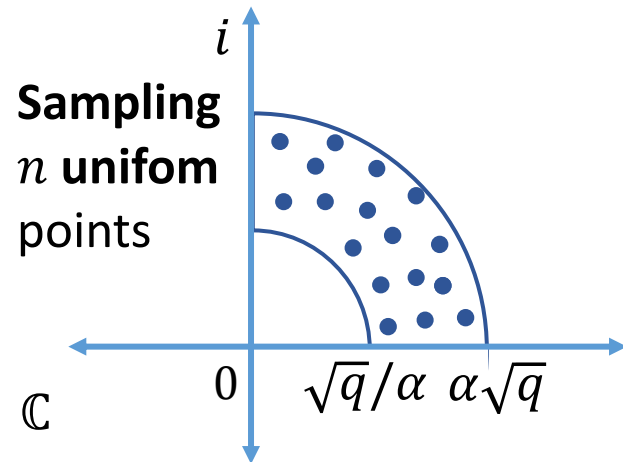
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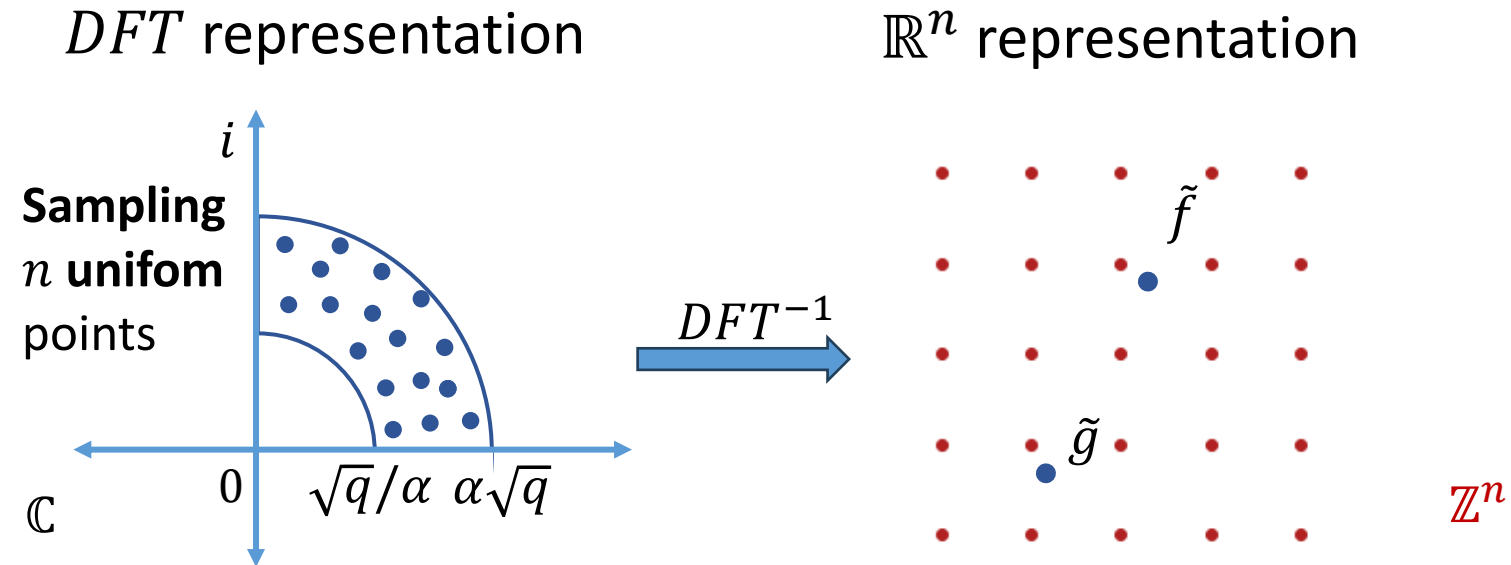


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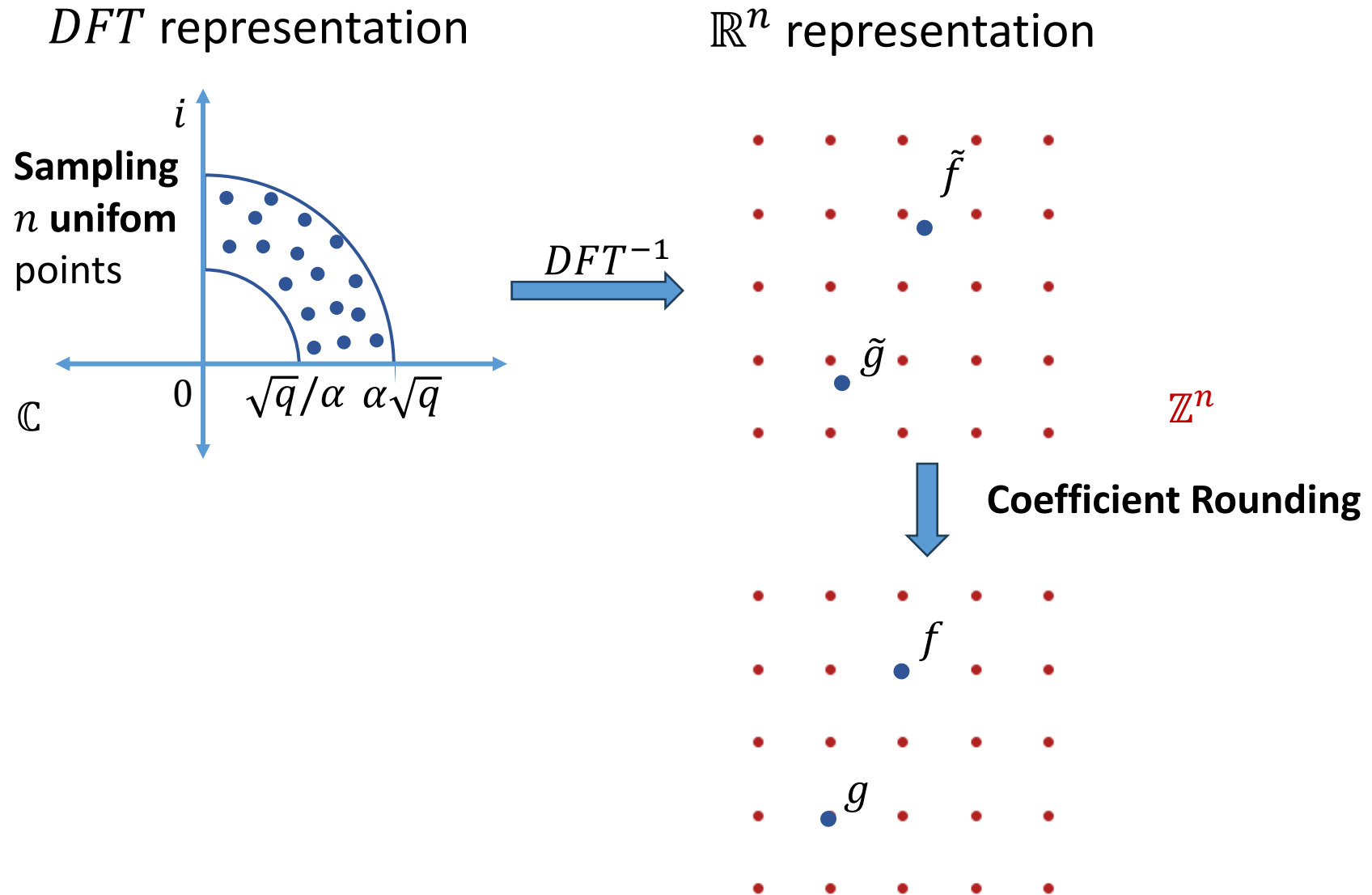
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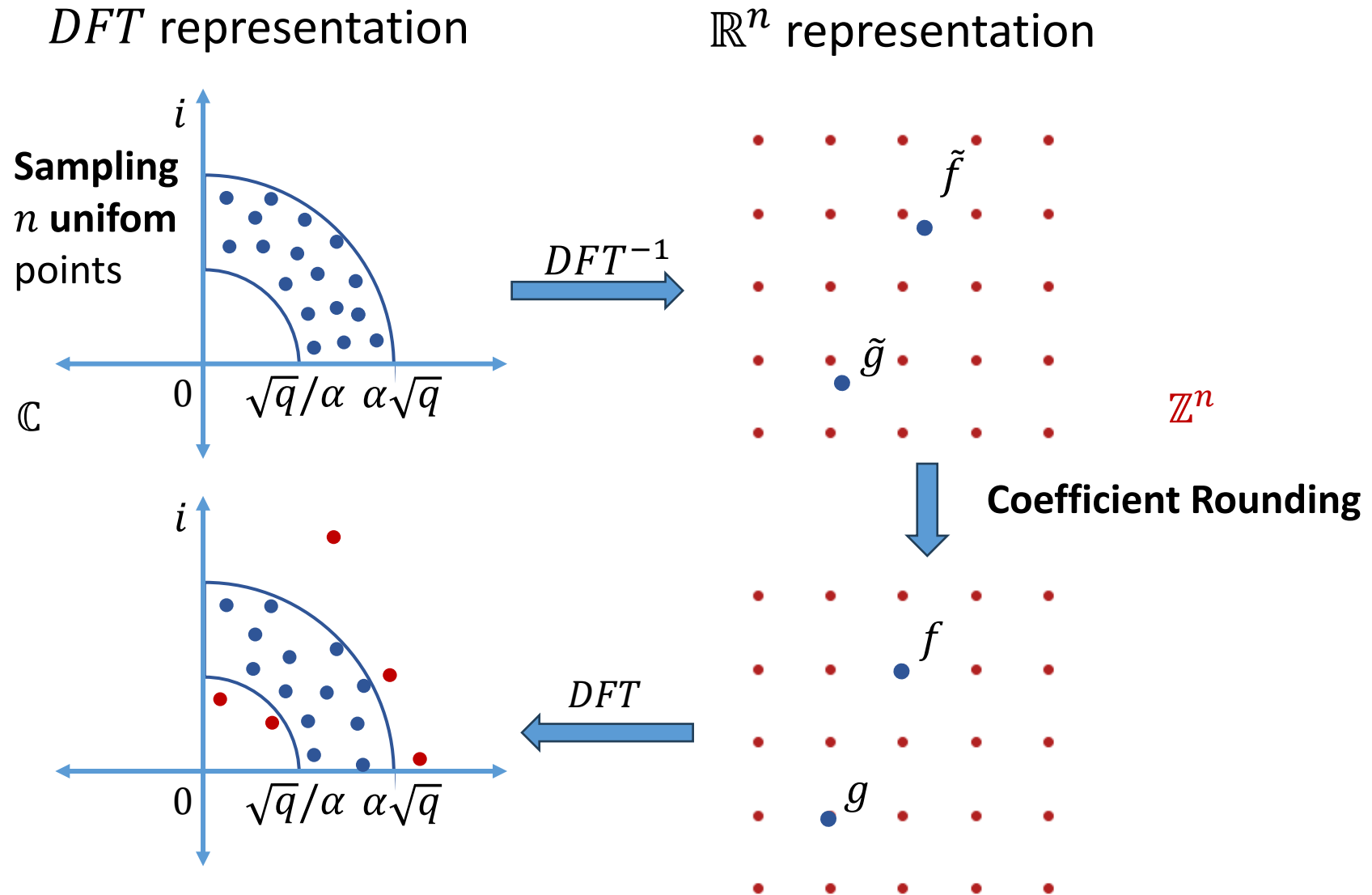
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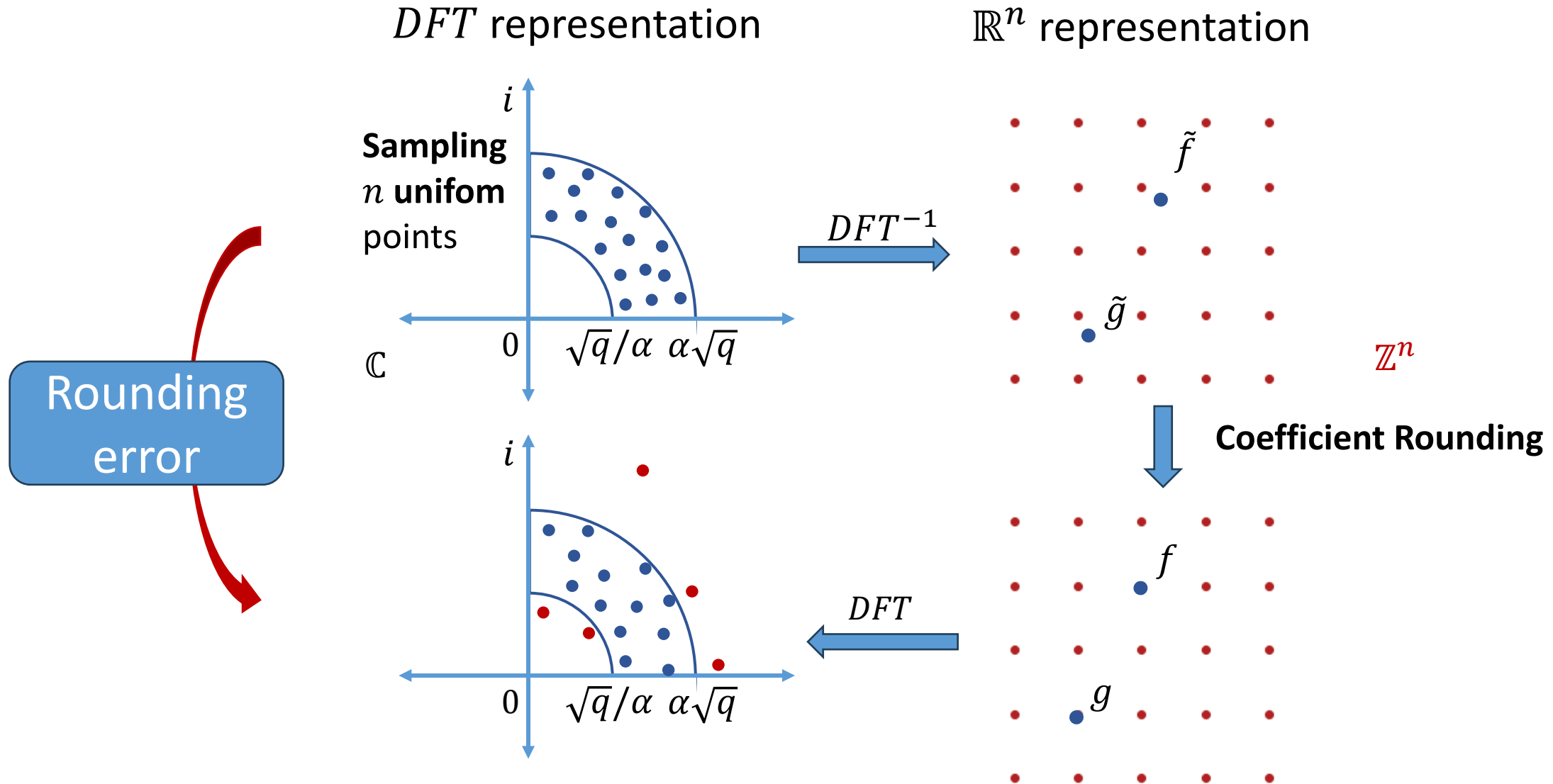
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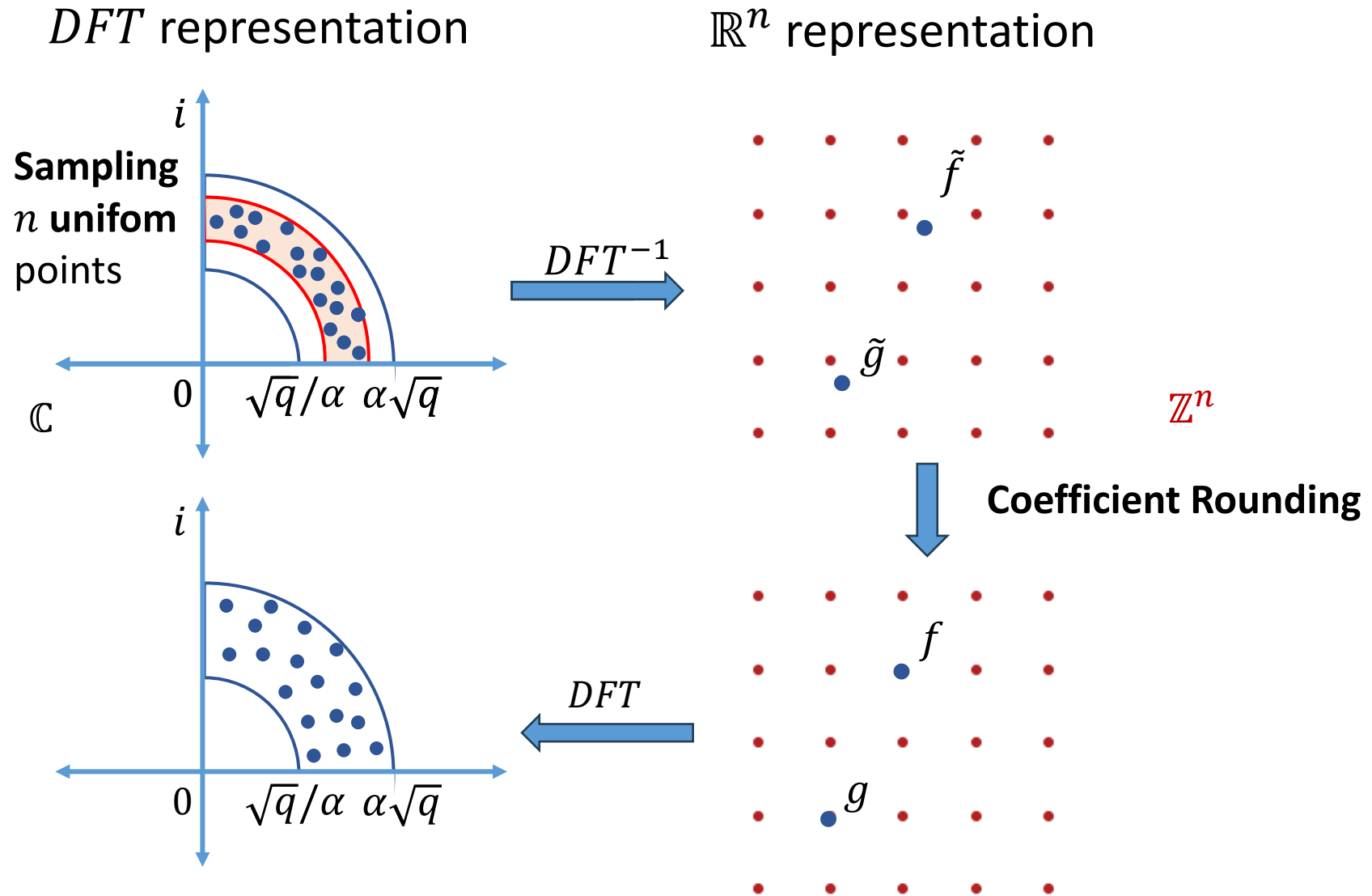


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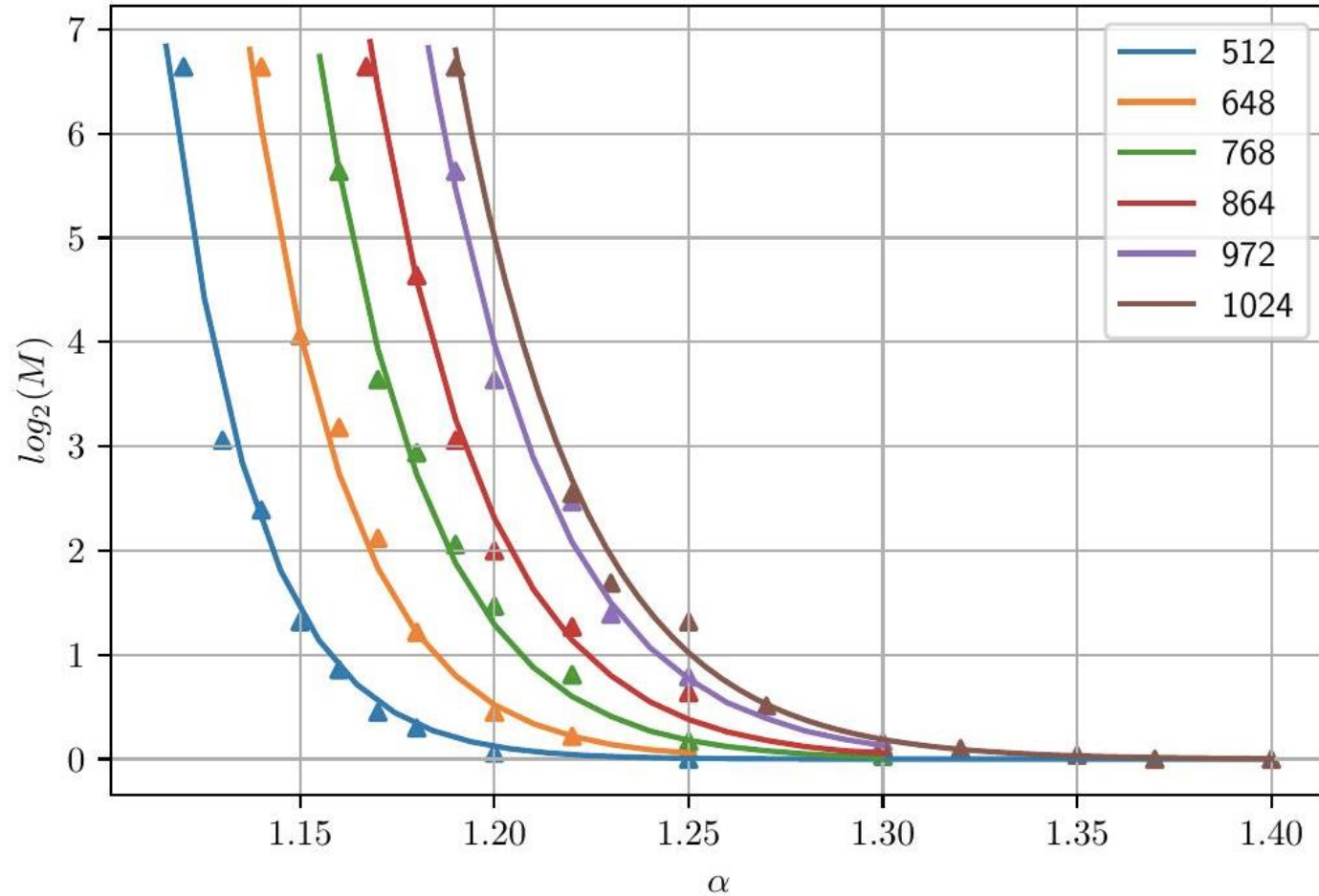


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Rounding error analysed and controlled



Quality/repetition in ANTRAG



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*We do not need too small α to obtain the level NIST V of security.

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3-smooth dimensions

n	648 ($2^3 \cdot 3^4$)			768 ($2^8 \cdot 3$)			864 ($2^5 \cdot 3^3$)			972 ($2^2 \cdot 3^5$)		
q	12289	3889	9721	12289	3329	18433	12289	3727	10369	12289	4373	17497
α	1.17	1.32	1.19	1.19	1.39	1.16	1.21	1.40	1.23	1.22	1.40	1.18
Repetitions	4	4	4	3	4	3	3	4	3	4	4	4
Classical/Quantum Security (bits)	166/ 151	159/ 144	164/ 149	196/ 178	192/ 174	195/ 177	222/ 201	220/ 200	222/ 201	251/ 227	254/ 230	250/ 227
Signature size (bytes)	808	747	796	952	883	977	1069	1000	1058	1701	1580	1225

Versatility with security!

Perspectives

- Antrag is integrated in the signature Solmae submitted at KPQC (Solmae = Antrag + Hybrid Sampler) (ongoing)
- More optimizations in Antrag's design (ongoing)
 - › Annulus -> Circle sampling?
 - › Integrating new rejection sampling technique
 - › Full-fledged implementation?

Thank you!