# Homomorphic Signatures for Polynomial Functions 

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Verification computes a linear map
$\Rightarrow$ adding signatures corresponds to adding messages.

What if $\mathbb{Z}^{n}$ has a ring structure and $\Lambda_{1}, \Lambda_{2}$ are ideal lattices?
Then verification computes a ring homomorphism
$\Rightarrow$ adding or multiplying signatures corresponds to adding or multiplying messages.

- Same construction now authenticates polynomial functions on messages.
- Length of signature vector grows with polynomial degree $\Rightarrow$ degree must be bounded to ensure security.

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(1) $\tau^{*}$ not obtained in response to a query, or
(2) $\tau^{*}=\tau$ for query $\left(m_{1}, \ldots, m_{k}\right)$, and $m^{*} \neq f\left(m_{1}, \ldots, m_{k}\right)$.

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- Polynomial system: use ideal lattices proposed for homomorphic encryption [SV10].

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