# Ring Switching and Bootstrapping FHE 

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## Agenda

(1) A homomorphic encryption tool: ring switching
(2) An application: (practical!) bootstrapping FHE in $\tilde{O}(\lambda)$ time

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## So What?

- "Fresh" ciphertexts need small noise $\Rightarrow$ large ring degree for security.
- Noise increases as we do homomorphic operations, so we can securely switch to smaller ring dimension, yielding smaller ciphertexts and faster operations.
- Also important for minimizing complexity of decryption for bootstrapping (cf. "dimension reduction" [BV'11]).
- We'll see another cool application later...


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