

# *Leakage Squeezing Revisited*



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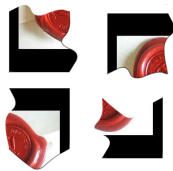
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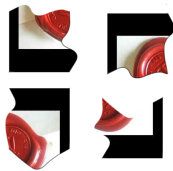
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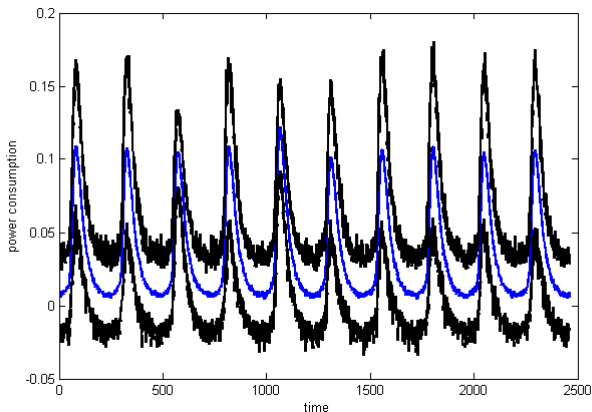
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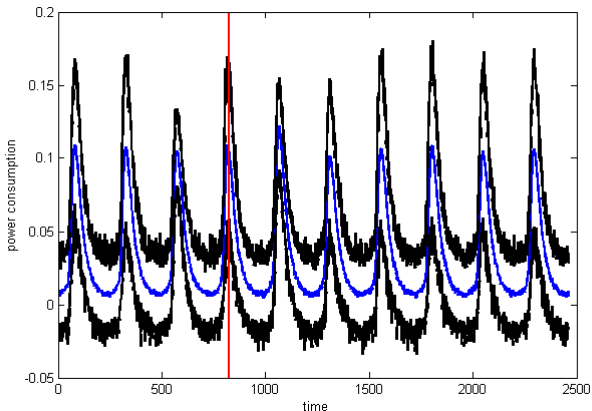
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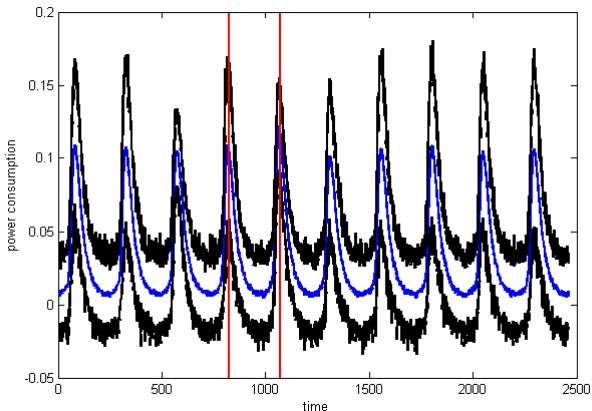
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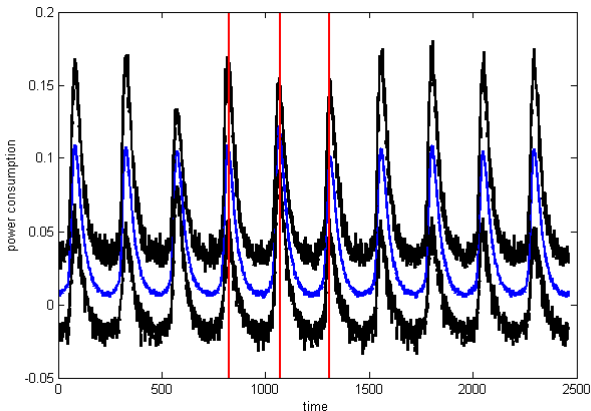
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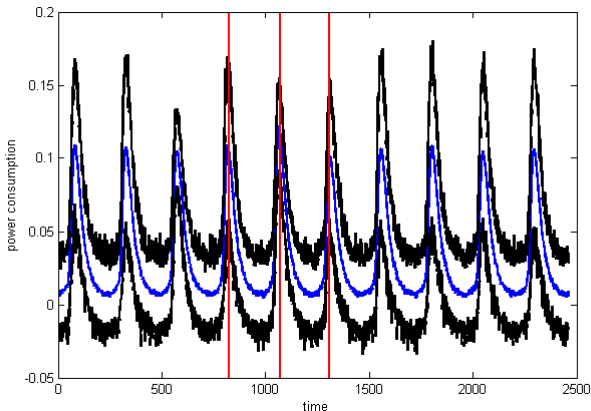
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# Motivation

- ▷ Masking security holds if all masks are uniformly distributed  $\Rightarrow$  strong randomness requirements in masked implementation. Leakage squeezing proposes to reduce the amount of entropy (i.e. the number of masks).
- ▷ Less masks can lead to more efficient implementation
- ▷ Preserved security order under two conditions:
  - Unidimensional leakage.
  - Linear leakage.



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## Target

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$C_{16} = \{0x10, 0x1f, 0x26, 0x29, 0x43, 0x4c, 0x75, 0x7a, 0x85, 0x8a, 0xb3, 0xbc, 0xd6, 0xd9, 0xe0, 0xef\}$  [BCG13]. Univariate security of order 3, if linear leakage.



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For uniform masking, polynomial leakage does not mix different shares. It has thus no incidence on security order.



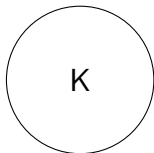
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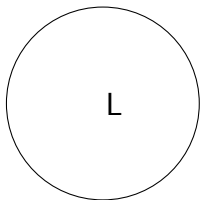
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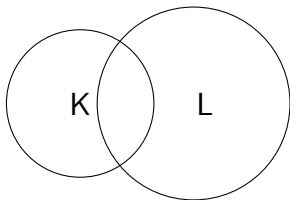


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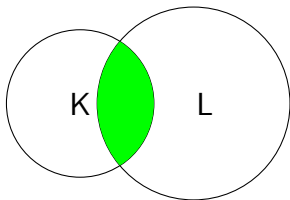


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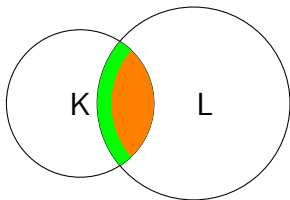


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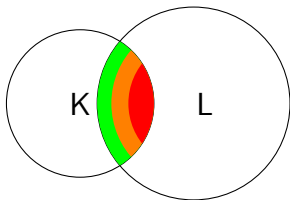


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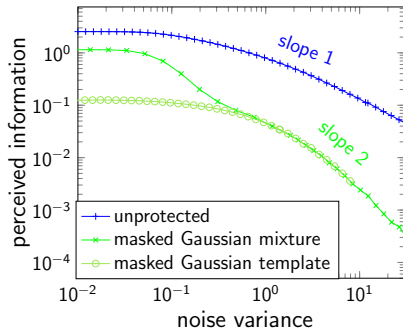


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- ▷ Security analysis.  
Resistance against nowadays adversary.



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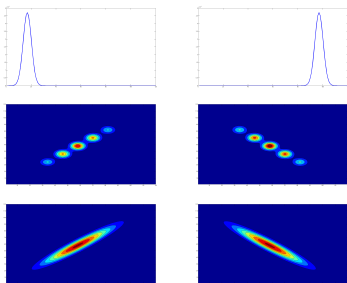
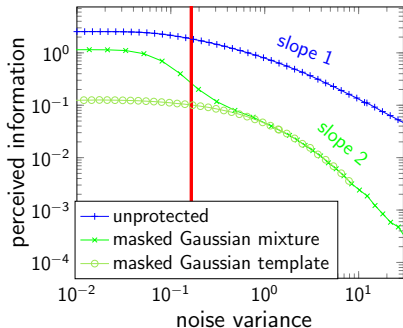


Information analysis can help to find the order of the smallest informative moment.

$$E((X + \sigma^2)^d)$$



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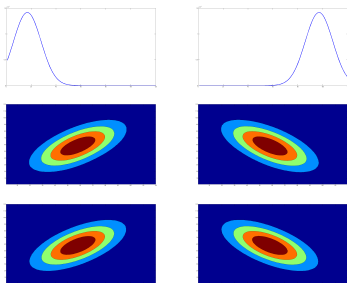
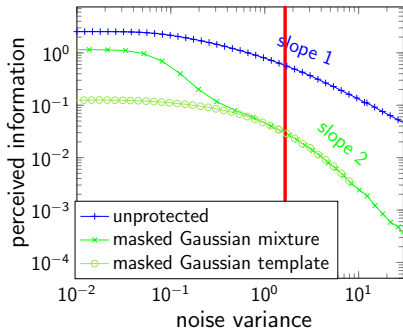
For unprotected device mean are different.

For protected device mean are equals but covariance are different.

Having the full distribution can help to discriminate keys  
⇒ information in higher order.



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For unprotected device difference is still in the mean.  
For protected full distribution and Gaussian template model are close  $\Rightarrow$  few information in higher order.





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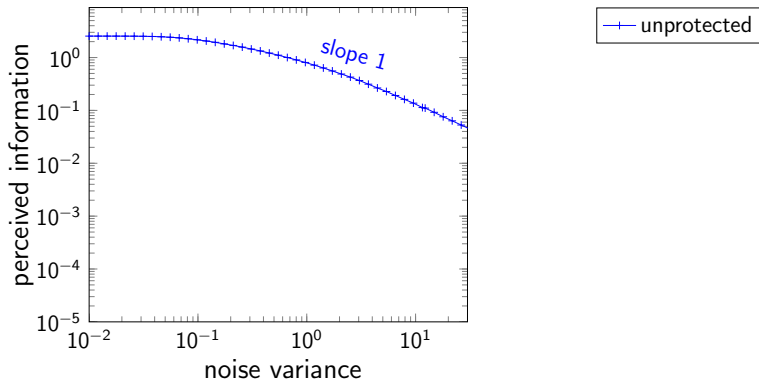
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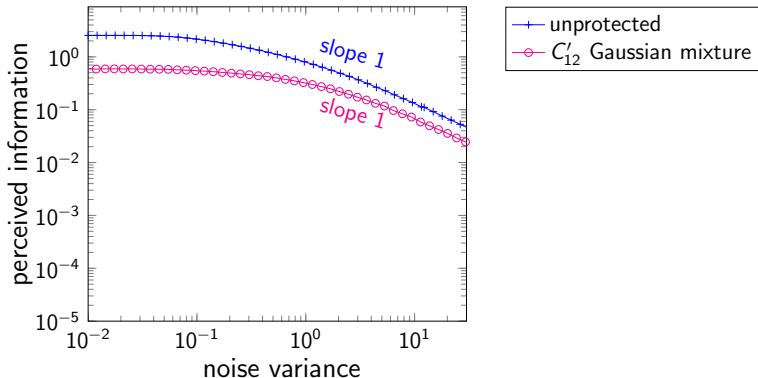
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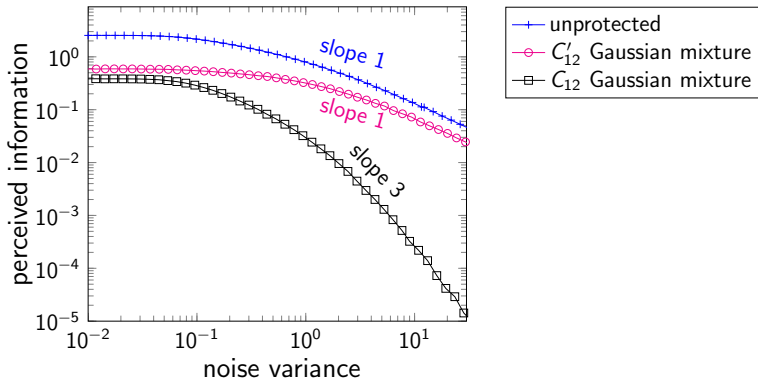
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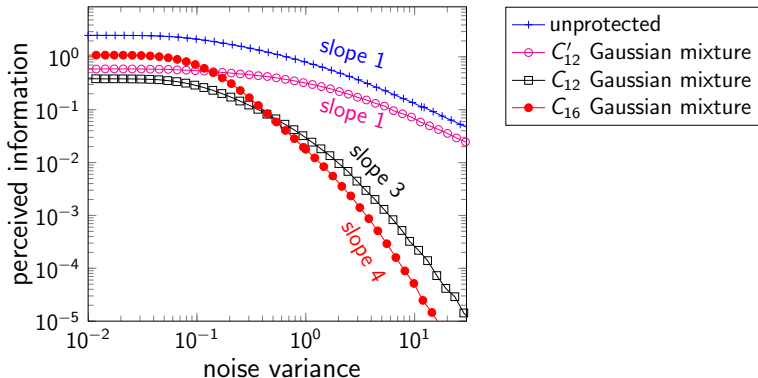
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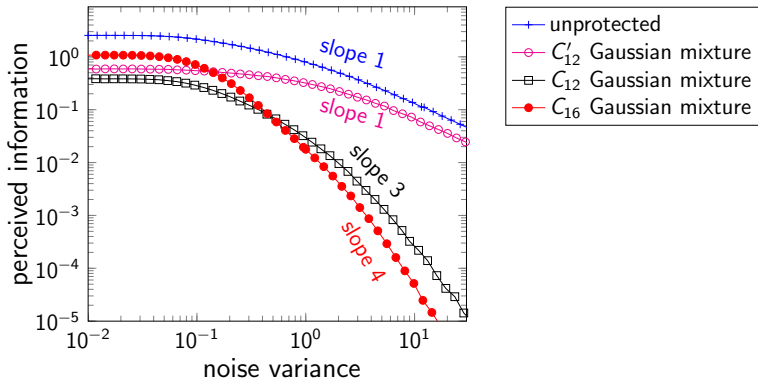
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Such an attack is impossible for masking with 256 masks.  
Since only 1 share is observed.



## Conclusion classical Hypothesis

- ▷  $C_{12}$ : information in 3<sup>rd</sup> moment
- ▷  $C_{16}$ : information in 4<sup>th</sup> moment

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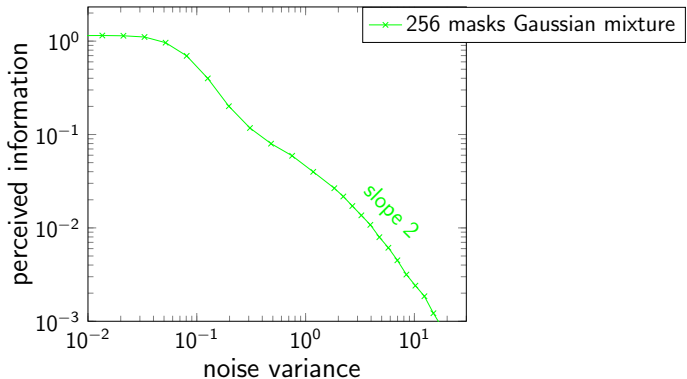
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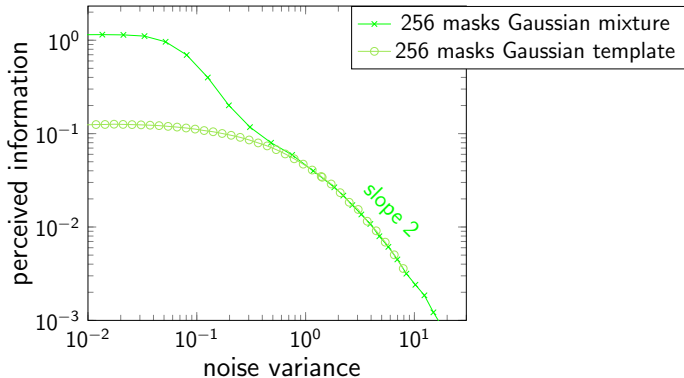
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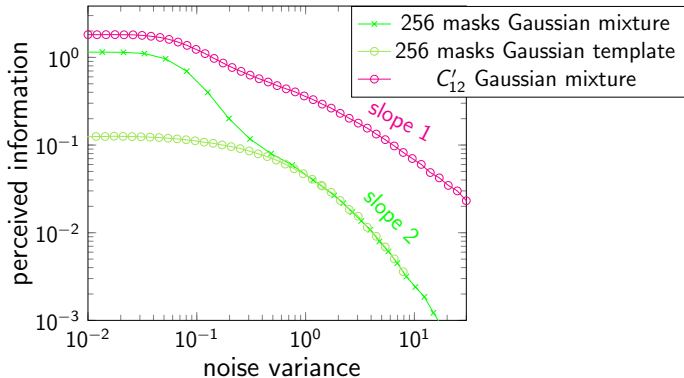
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Using Gaussian mixture allows us to obtain more information for low noise.  $\exists$  useful information in higher moments that gradually vanishes as noise increasing.



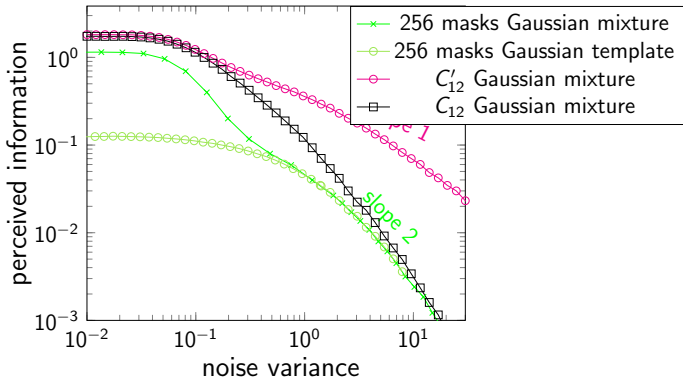
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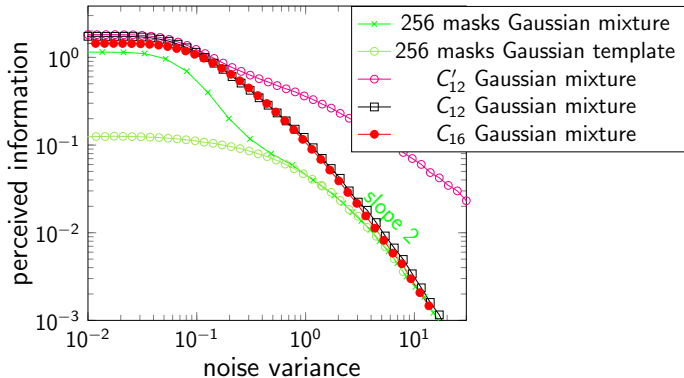
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## *Conclusion adversarial condition*

- ▷  $C_{12}$ : information in  $2^{nd}$  moment
- ▷  $C_{16}$ : information in  $2^{nd}$  moment
- ▷ uniform masking: information in  $2^{nd}$  moment

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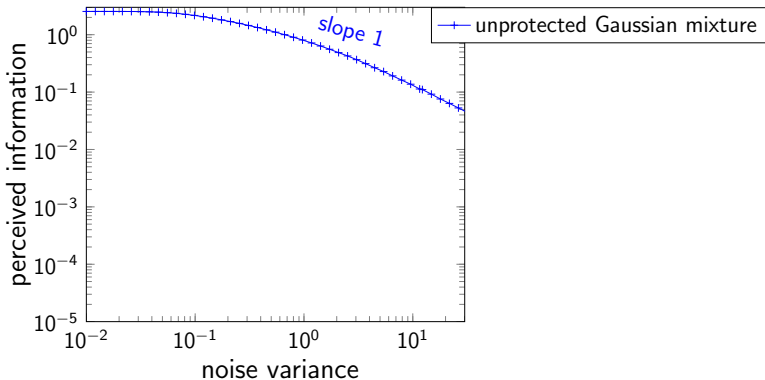
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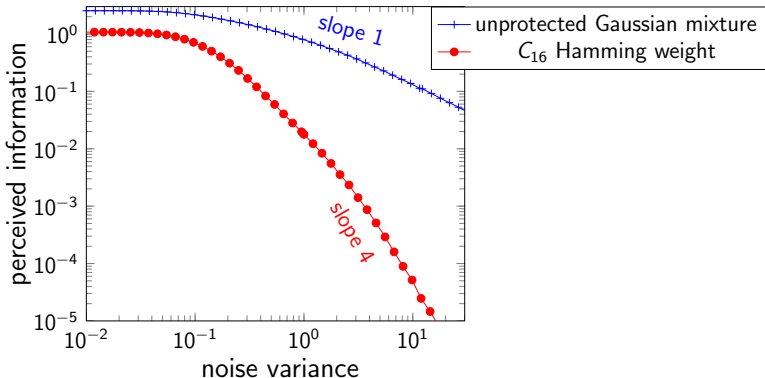
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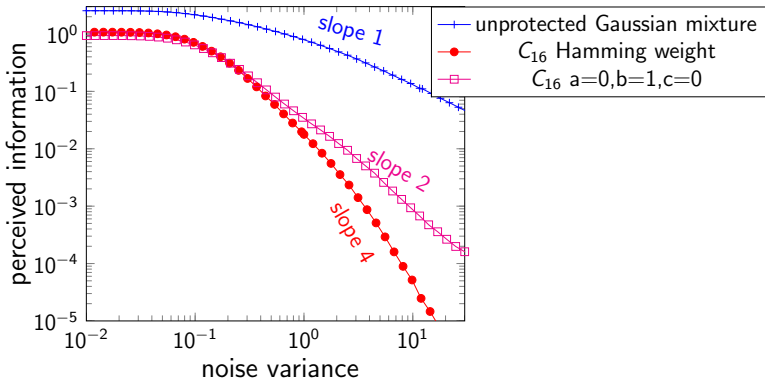
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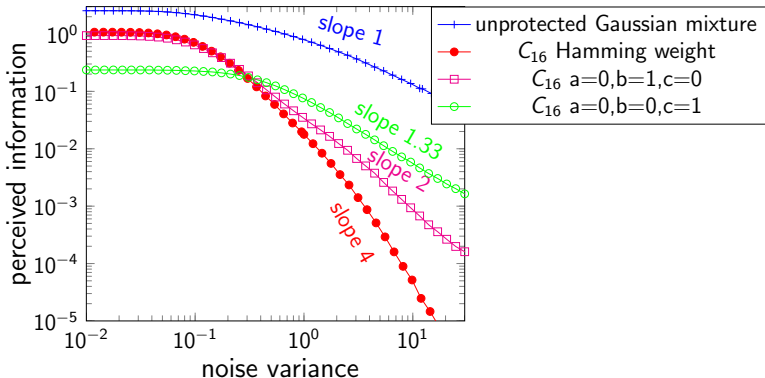
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## Conclusion physical condition

- ▷ Security order decreases with the degree of the polynomial  $\text{deg}_p$ .
- ▷ If the security for linear leakage function is of order  $d$  then the security order becomes  $d' = d/\text{deg}_p$

$$E((X)^d) = E((X^{\text{deg}_p})^{d'})$$

- ▷ No impact for uniform masking.

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Reduction of the slope depending on the degree of the leakage function:(





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