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## Master Thesis

# Homomorphic Encryption for Biometric Information Protection

### OBJECTIVES & GOALS:

Biometric data is considered sensitive data and requires to be stored irreversible, unlinkable, and renewable according to the standard ISO/IEC 24745 on biometric information protection. Homomorphic encryption allows to perform operations on the ciphertext that directly affect the plaintext. This can be used to compute the distance between two biometric templates in the encrypted domain without revealing the sensitive data.

### TASKS:

- Select a suitable encryption scheme
- Prepare biometric templates for encryption
- Benchmark computational efficiency in the encrypted domain

### PREREQUISITES:

- High motivation and creativity
- Strong interest in research
- Programming experience

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