#### Introduction to Secure Multiparty Computation and SPDZ Protocol

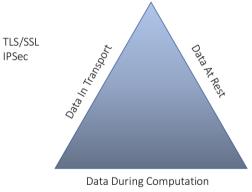
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#### Roadmap

- 1. Short Introduction to Secure MPC
- 2. Honest-majority LSSS-MPC
- 3. Dishonest-majority LSSS-MPC: The SPDZ protocol
- 4. 2-party Yao garbled circuit

### Modern cryptography



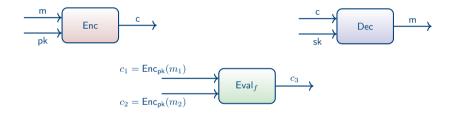
Hard disk encryption Database encryption HSM key storage

# Modern cryptography



# COED - Fully homomorphic encryption

**Homomorphic encryption scheme** allows computation on ciphertexts. It support three (main) operations



 $\mathsf{Dec}_{\mathsf{sk}}\big(\mathsf{Eval}_f(\mathsf{ek}, c_1, c_2)\big) = f(m_1, m_2)$ 

# COED - Fully homomorphic encryption

In FHE the parties encrypt their data, a server computes the function in the encrypted domain, a designated party gets the output



- Still rather slow in computation
- Relatively cheap in communication
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#### FHE - Recent developments

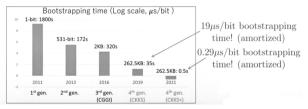


"I don't think we'll see anyone using Gentry's solution in our lifetimes."

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\* HE is getting faster 8 times every year

e.g. Bootstrapping time: the most time-consuming operation in HE

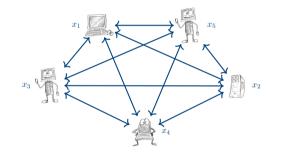


# COED - Secure multiparty computation

- While FHE allows computation to be performed on encrypted data held on a single server, MPC allows computation on data that is split across multiple servers
- MPC is well researched subfield of cryptography
  - Research began in the late 1980s
  - Thousands of research papers
  - MPC is now a very active applied area of research

# COED - Secure multiparty computation

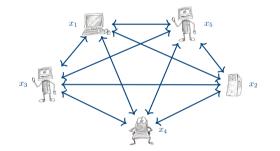
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- Correctness: Parties obtain the correct output
- **Privacy**: Only the output is learned (and nothing else)

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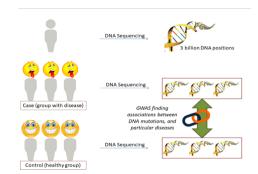
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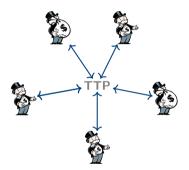
- Fast computation
- Expensive in communication
- Enables a number of applications

# **COED** - Applications

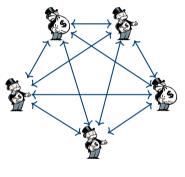
- The classic millionaires' problem
- Joint genome studies
- Studies on linked databases
- Outsourcing computation to the cloud
- Collaborative network anomaly detection
- Financial reporting in a consortium
- Securing cryptographic keys
- Statistics
- . . .



#### Secure multiparty computation

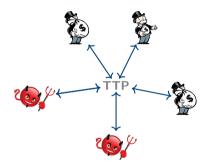


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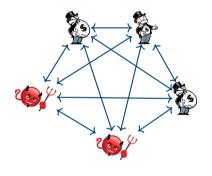


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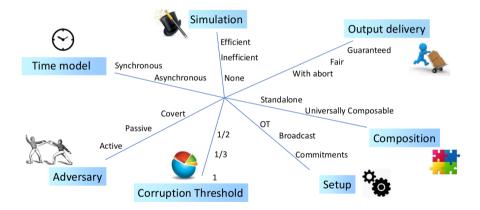


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**Real world** 

#### MPC dimensions



# MPC dimensions

Computational model: Boolean/arithmetic circuit

#### Adversarial behaviour:

- Passive (semi-honest), i.e. adversary correctly running the protocol cannot learn anything
- Active (malicious), i.e. adversary arbitrary deviating from the protocol cannot learn anything

Number of corruptions: corruption threshold, honest/dishonest majority

Efficiency: round/communication/computation complexity

Security: information-theoretic, statistical, computational

#### MPC with a honest majority - Feasibility

Let n be the number of parties and t the number of parties that can be corrupt

- For t < n/3 secure multiparty protocols with guaranteed output delivery can be achieved for any function with **computational security** assuming a synchronous point-to-point network with authenticated channels and with **information-theoretic security** assuming the channels are also private.
- For t < n/2 secure multiparty protocols with guaranteed output delivery can be achieved for any function with **computational and information-theoretic security**, assuming that the parties also have access to a broadcast channel.

### MPC with a dishonest majority - Feasibility

- For  $t \geq n/2$  computationally secure multiparty protocols without guaranteed output delivery can be achieved

However, we can still have very efficient protocols

# The two main paradigms for secure MPC

# GMW

- Interaction at every gate (LSSS)
  - Support both arithmetic and Boolean computation
  - Very low bandwidth, good in the LAN setting
- Number of rounds depends on circuit depth

# YAO

- Garbled circuit
  - Better suited for Boolean circuits
  - Requires significant bandwidth, faster on slower networks, like the Internet
- Small constant number of rounds, independent of circuit depth

LSSS



#### Reed–Solomon Codes

Consider the set of polynomials of degree less than or equal to t over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ 

$$\mathbb{P} = \{f_0 + f_1 \cdot X + \dots + f_t \cdot X^t : f_i \in \mathbb{F}_q\}.$$

This defines the set of code-words in our code, equal to  $q^{t+1}$ .

The actual code words are given by

$$\mathcal{C} = \{ (f(1), f(2), \dots, f(n)) : f \in \mathbb{P} \}.$$

Think of f as the message and  $c \in C$  as the codeword.

- There is redundancy in this representation
- $(t+1) \cdot \log_2 q$  bits of information are represented by  $n \cdot \log_2 q$  bits.

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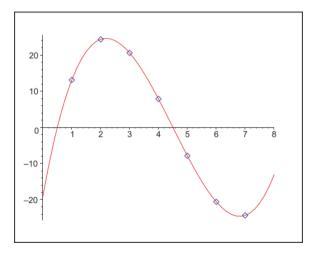


Figure: Cubic function evaluated at seven points

#### LSSS with an honest majority - SSS

We can use Reed-Solomon codes to define a secret sharing scheme.

A Reed–Solomon code is defined by two integers (n, t) with t < n.

We map secrets  $s \in \mathbb{F}_q$  to the set  $\mathbb{P}$  by associating a polynomial with the secret given by the constant term

For n parties we then distribute the shares as the elements of the code word

• So party i gets  $s_i = f(i)$  for  $1 \le i \le n$ .

Secret reconstruction is via

$$s \leftarrow f(0) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} s_i \cdot \delta_i(0).$$

Actually any t + 1 parties can recover the secret.

#### Reed-Solomon Codes: Data Recovery

This can be done via Lagrange interpolation

Take the values

$$\delta_i(X) \leftarrow \prod_{1 \le j \le n, i \ne j} \left(\frac{X-j}{i-j}\right), \quad 1 \le i \le n.$$

Note that we have the following properties, for all i,

- $\delta_i(i) = 1.$
- $\delta_i(j) = 0$ , if  $i \neq j$ .
- $\deg \delta_i(X) = n 1.$

Lagrange interpolation takes the values  $s_i$  and computes

$$f(X) \leftarrow \sum_{i=1}^{n} s_i \cdot \delta_i(X).$$

A set of honest parties do not reveal their shares to anyone unless they want to.

A passive adversary controlling a subset A wants to learn the secret from the honest parties.

- This means  $t \ge |A|$  to ensure privacy.
- Shamir is said to be a threshold secret sharing scheme
- If  $|A| \leq t$  the adversary learns nothing at all about the secret.

The number of honest parties must be able to recover the secret, so we have

 $n - |A| > t \ge |A|$ 

i.e.

$$|A| < n/2.$$

An active adversary is one which will lie about its shares

• In order for the honest parties to recover the wrong secret

To protect against this we use the error correcting property of Reed-Solomon codes.

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- There exists an efficient decoding algorithm that corrects up to  $\frac{n-t-1}{2}$  errors.
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- If we do not abort (we do not detect any errors), then we can recover the secret
- If we abort we do not know who cheated.

If we receive n shares and t < n/3 we can know if someone is lying, but we do not need to abort.

• We use the error-correction property to recover the correct shares for everyone, work out who is cheating, and recover the secret.

If we receive only t+1 shares we can reconstruct a secret, but not necessarily the correct one.

• We can also reconstruct the shares which are consistent for all parties who did not send us their shares.

In this case, if we had a lot of such openings to check,

- · For each opening reconstruct the share vector
- Hash the share vector into a running hash function
- Compare the hash value with all other parties later on.

Thus if we are opening a lot of values, each party only needs to communicate with t+1 other parties, and not all n.

#### Honest-majority MPC with Shamir's secret sharing scheme

**Input:** The input data  $(i, \langle r \rangle, r)$  is trivial:

- Party i generates an r value and distributed it to all parties
- If they distribute something invalid, then this will be detected later.
- If they distribute something not equal to r, then only they are affected in the end:
  - Either they will input an incorrect value into the MPC engine
  - Or they will not get the output they expect

Linear gate: Locally (Shamir's secret sharing is linear)

 $a \cdot \langle s \rangle + \langle r \rangle = \langle a \cdot s + r \rangle$ 

#### Non-linear gate: ???

#### Schur Product

- Suppose each party i holds a vector of shares  $\mathbf{s}_i$  for each secret s
  - In Shamir this a single value.
- The Schur product of two such sharings

 $(\mathbf{s}_1,\ldots,\mathbf{s}_n)$  and  $(\mathbf{s}_1',\ldots,\mathbf{s}_n')$ 

is the local tensor of each parties

 $\mathbf{s}_i \otimes \mathbf{s}'_i.$ 

- $\mathbf{s}_i \otimes \mathbf{s}_i'$  is a vector of length  $n \cdot (n+1)/2$
- In the case of Shamir this just means locally multiply the shares together to get one share.

#### Honest-majority MPC with Shamir's secret sharing scheme

- Given s and s' shared by polynomials f and f' of degree t.
- The Schur product held by party i is  $f(i) \cdot f'(i)$ .
- $s \cdot s'$  is shared by the polynomial  $g = f \cdot f'$  of degree  $2 \cdot t$
- The shares of g are  $g(i) = f(i) \cdot f'(i)$ .
- Since  $2 \cdot t < n$  the Lagrange coefficients give us how to express  $s \cdot s'$  in terms of a linear combination of the g(i).

#### **Multiplication Shamir**

- We have  $s_i = f(i)$  and  $s'_i = f'(i)$  sharing s and s'.
- Parties form the Schur products locally  $\hat{s}_i = s_i \cdot s'_i$ .

We know, as t < n/2, that there exists  $\lambda_i$  such that

$$s \cdot s' = \lambda_1 \cdot \widehat{s}_1 + \ldots + \lambda_n \cdot \widehat{s}_n.$$

• Parties now compute  $u_i=\lambda_i\cdot \hat{s_i},$  so we actually have a full threshold sharing of the product

$$s \cdot s' = u_1 + \ldots + u_n.$$

#### Multiplication Shamir

• Party i now creates a sharing of  $u_i$  and sends the shares to each party.

That is

- Party i generates a polynomial  $g_i(X)$  of degree t such that  $g_i(0) = u_i$ .
- Party *i* sends party *j* the value  $g_i(j)$ .

The resulting sharing of  $u_i$  we call  $\langle u_i \rangle$ .

- All parties can then compute a Shamir sharing of degree t of the product  $s\cdot s'$  by computing the linear function

$$\langle s \cdot s' \rangle = \langle u_1 \rangle + \ldots + \langle u_n \rangle$$

locally.

#### Passive Multiplication Protocol

Maurer's protocol gives a passive multiplication protocol:

Step 1: Form the Schur product of the parties shares.

- Step 2: Express the product as a sum of the local Schur products.
- Step 3: Reshare the resulting full threshold sharing.
- **Step 4:** Recombine the resulting shares locally.

In Step 3 an adversarial party could lie, resulting in a potentially invalid sharing, or a sharing of the wrong value in the final output.

#### Why it is not active secure?

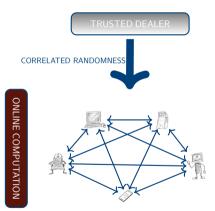
• Need to check that the multiplication gates are correctly evaluated

#### The dishonest-majority case

SPDZ setting:

- Dishonest majority: up to n-1 corruptions, requires computational assumption
- · Active security: Security with abort, no fairness
- Arithmetic circuits: tipically  $\mathbb{F}_p,$  with large p, but can also handle Boolean circuits, rings etc
- What does 'SPDZ' stand for? [Damgärd, Pastro, Smart, Zakarias '12], there are many subsequent works with improvements and variants

# MPC with preprocessing



# LSSS MPC - Notation

- Every secret values  $x \in \mathbb{F}$  in the computation is secret-shared among the parties.
- We consider an additive-secret sharing scheme



 $x_3$ 

such that  $x = \sum_i x_i$  and party  $P_i$  holds the share  $x_i$ .

- $\langle x \rangle$ -representation
- Note the values x is unknown to the parties
- To reconstruct the value x all the shares are needed

# LSSS - Linear computation

• The scheme is linear, so linear operations are local

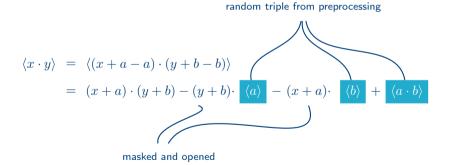
 $\langle x\rangle+\langle y\rangle=\langle x+y\rangle$ 

$$a\cdot \langle x\rangle = \langle a\cdot x\rangle$$

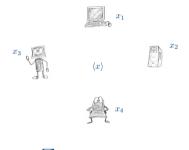
• We can compute any linear function on shared values

# LSSS - Multiplication

- Input multiplication gate:  $\langle x 
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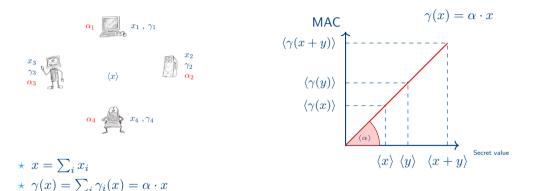


What if parties don't follow the protocol?



 $\begin{array}{l} \star \ x = \sum_{i} x_{i} \\ \star \ \gamma(x) = \sum_{i} \gamma_{i}(x) = \alpha \cdot x \end{array}$ 

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# New online evaluation [DPSZ12, SPeeDZ])

- $\langle x \rangle = \{x_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{P}}$ , such that  $\sum_i x_i = x$
- $[x] = \{\langle x \rangle, \langle \alpha \rangle, \langle \gamma \rangle \}_{i \in \mathcal{P}}$ , such that  $\gamma = \alpha \cdot x$  in  $\mathbb F$
- 1. Input values using [x]-representation
- 2. Evaluate the circuit gate by bate using the linearity of  $[\cdot]$  and Beaver's trick for multiplication, with openings^1
- 3. Do a batch check of MACs
- 4. If the check passes, reconstruct the output opening the output values

# Checking the openings

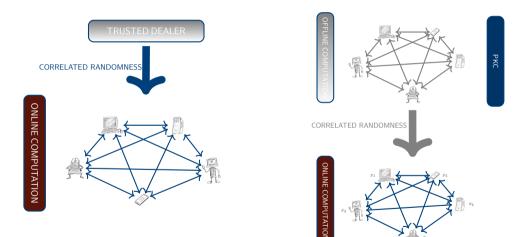
We need to check the MAC every time a value is opened Check the MAC relation without revealing  $\alpha$ 

- A corrupt party  $P_i$  sends  $x'_i = x_i + \delta$
- Each party reconstruct  $x + \delta$
- Each party  $P_j$ ,  $s_j = \alpha_j \cdot (x + \delta) \gamma_j$
- Parties compute  $\sum_i s_i = \alpha(x+\delta) \gamma(x) = \alpha \cdot \delta$

The check passes if  $\sum_i s_i = 0$ . If  $\delta \neq 0$ , the adversary has to guess  $\alpha$ .

• Adversary wins with probability  $\frac{1}{|\mathbb{F}|}$ 

## Implementing the trusted dealer - Preprocessing



 $\star$  Main goal of the preprocessing is to generate [a], [b], [ab] = [c]

We need a **threshold homomorphic encryption scheme**  $\mathcal{E} = (KeyGen(\cdot), Enc_{pk}(\cdot), DistDec_{sk}(\cdot), Eval_{pk}(\cdot))$  such that:

- 1. Homomorphic Operations: O(n) additions and 1 multiplication
- 2. KeyGen $(1^{\lambda})$  returns a public key pk and a secret-shared private key  $\langle sk \rangle$
- 3. A distributed decryption protocol such that  $Dist Dec_{sk}(Enc(a))$  returns either a or  $\langle a \rangle$



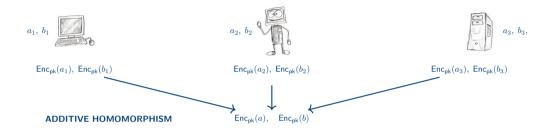
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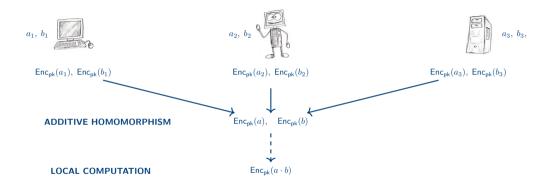


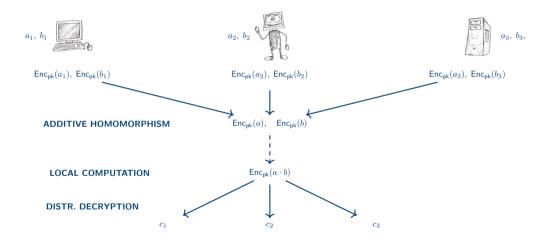
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#### Passive triple generation

- 1.  $P_i$  samples  $a_i, b_i, c'_i$  and broadcasts  $Enc(a_i), Enc(b_i), Enc(c'_i)$
- 2. All parties compute:
  - $Enc(a) = \sum_{i} Enc(a_{i}) \quad Enc(b) = \sum_{i} Enc(b_{i}) \quad Enc(c') = \sum_{i} Enc(c_{i})$
  - $Enc(d) = \mathsf{Mult}(Enc(a), Enc(b)) Enc(c')$
  - $d = \mathsf{DistDec}(d)$
- 3.  $P_1$  outputs  $a_1, b_1, c'_1 + d$  and each  $P_i$  outputs  $a_i, b_i, c'_i, i > 1$
- 4. Add MACs with the same procedure

# Efficiency by batch computation [SV2011]

- Usually BGV (Brakerski et al. 2011) encryption scheme
- $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{Z}[X]/(\Phi_m(X))$ , where  $\deg(\Phi_m(X)) = \phi(m) = N$
- $\mathcal{R}_p = R/pR = \mathbb{Z}_p[X]/(\Phi_m(X))$ , m and p coprime

$$\implies \Phi_m(X) \equiv \prod_{i=1}^r F_i(X) \pmod{p}$$

• Each  $F_i(X)$  has degree  $d = \phi(m)/r = N/r$ 

 $\mathcal{R}_p \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[X]/(F_1(X)) \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p[X]/(F_r(X)) \cong \mathbb{F}_{p^d} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{F}_{p^d}$ 

# Batch computation



• We can have up to  $\boldsymbol{N}$  isomorphisms

 $\psi_i : \mathbb{Z}_p[X]/F_i(X) \to \mathbb{F}_p$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  we can represent N plaintext elements of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  as a single element in  $R_p$ .

# Active security

#### • Zero-knowledge proof of plaintext knowledge

- Ensure ciphertexts are correctly generated
- Whenever  $P_i$  sends  $Enc(a_i)$ , prove knowledge of  $a_i$  and randomness

#### • Triple verification

- Even with ZK proofs, may be additive errors in  $\langle c \rangle$  due to DistDec
- Sacrifice one triple, to check another

# Improvements (this is not exaustive)

- + ZK: Needs to run in large batches for efficiency and are computationally expensive  $(\approx 40\%)$ 
  - Overdrive [KPR18] and TopGear [BCS19]
- Local distributed decryption: this works only for the 2-party case ("Local rounding" of  $\langle c_0 + c_1 s \rangle$  gives a sharing of  $\langle m \rangle$ )
- Linear communication [GHM22]: this protocol is similar to SPDZ, except the step for computing a verified sum, where it is shown a mechanism to amortize the cost over multiple sums achieving linear communication when |C| > n. Match the O(n) complexity of passive protocols.

# Yao's Garbled Circuits

### Yao's garbled circuits

We consider the case of two party passively secure computation

We assume two parties who want to compute a function  $(y_1, y_2) = f(x_1, x_2)$ 

- Party  $P_1$  holds  $x_1$  and wants to learn  $y_1$
- Party  $P_2$  holds  $x_2$  and wants to learn  $y_2$

Party  $P_1$  does not want  $P_2$  to learn  $x_1$ , and vice versa.

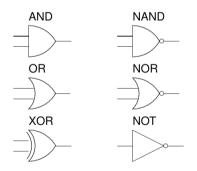
The oldest and simplest way of achieving this is via Yao's Garbled Circuits

• Which are surprisingly fast these days

We first describe the circuit construction mechanism, then we will build a protocol.

# Garbled circuits: simple version

We take the function  $\boldsymbol{f}$  are write it as a boolean circuit



Our aim is to "encrypt" each gate.

### Wire values

- Each wire  $w_i$  in the circuit can have two values on it 0 or 1
- We assign two (symmetric) keys  $k_i^0$  and  $k_i^1$  to each wire value on each wire.
- Every gate G can be represented by a function with two input wires and one output wire

 $w_k = G(w_i, w_j)$ 

- Note: "NOT" gates can be "folded" into the following output gate.

We go through an example of how to encrypt an AND gate

$w_i$	$w_j$	$w_k$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

When someone evaluates the gate we want them to learn the wire key

$w_i$	$w_j$	$w_k$	m
0	0	0	$k_k^0$
0	1	0	$k_k^0$
1	0	0	$k_k^{\widetilde{0}}$
1	1	1	$k_k^{\widetilde{1}}$

Now we encrypt this message with the wire keys associated to  $w_i$  and  $w_j$ .

• We assume an IND-CCA two key symmetric encryption function  $E_{k,k'}(m)$ .

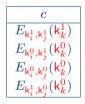
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0	1	0	$E_{k^0_i,k^1_j}(k^0_k)$
1	0	0	$E_{k_i^1,k_j^0}(k_k^0)$
1	1	1	$E_{k_i^1,k_j^1}(k_k^1)$

We now create a random permutation of the table

$w_i$	$w_j$	$w_k$	c
1	1	1	$E_{k_{i}^{1},k_{j}^{1}}(k_{k}^{1})$
0	1	0	$E_{k^0_i,k^1_j}(k^0_k)$
0	0	0	$E_{k^0_i,k^0_j}(k^0_k)$
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We then just keep the ciphertext columns

• This table is called a Garbled Gate.

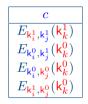


So each gate in the circuit has four ciphertexts associated to it.

# Gate evaluation

- Gate evaluation occurs as follows:
- Suppose the party learns the wire label value for the zero value on wire i and the one value on wire j.
  - They learn  $k_i^0$  and  $k_j^1$ .
  - Note they do not know wire i is zero and wire j is one.
- Using these values they can decrypt only one row of the table
  - They try all rows, but only one actually decrypts
  - This is why we needed an IND-CCA scheme, as it rejects invalid ciphertexts.

# Gate evaluation



We can only decrypt the second row.

Hence, we learn  $k_k^0$ , but we have no idea it corresponds to the zero value on the output wire.

# Garbled circuit

Given a function

$$y = F(x)$$

expressed as a boolean circuit for F the entire garbled circuit is the following values

- The garbled table for every gate in F.
- The "wire label table" for every possible input bit
- The "wire label table" for every possible output bit

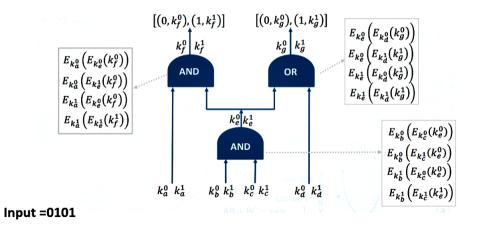
Suppose the input wires are wire numbers  $0, \ldots, t$ .

The input wire label table is then the values

 $(i, \mathsf{k}_i^0, \mathsf{k}_i^1).$ 

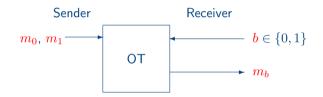
Same for the output wire label table.

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# **Oblivious transfer**

Before giving Yao's MPC protocol we need another cryptographic tool



- We now have the building blocks for Yao's two party protocol.
- We first assume that the function is of the form

 $(y_1, y_2) = F(x_1, x_2)$ 

where

- $-x_1$  (resp.  $y_1$ ) is party one's input (resp. output)
- $-x_2$  (resp.  $y_2$ ) is party two's input (resp. output)

We now give a passively secure protocol (so having only a passively secure OT is OK).

**Step 1**: Party one (the circuit garbler) creates a garbled circuit for F

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(G, (I_1, I_2), (O_1, O_2))
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where

- G is the set of garbled gates
- $I_1$  is the input wire label table for party one.
- $I_2$  is the input wire label table for party two
- $O_1$  is the output wire label table for party one.
- $O_2$  is the output wire label table for party two.

Step 2:

The circuit garbler sends G to party two.

The circuit garbler also sends the values in  $I_1$  corresponding to its input to the function

- So if the garbler wants to input bit b on wire w then it sends to party one the value  $k_w^b$ .
- This reveals nothing about the actual input, as  $k_w^b$  is a random key.

The circuit garbler also sends the table  $O_2$  over to party two.

Step 3:

The parties now execute at OT protocol.

• One for each input wire w for player two.

Party two,  $P_2$ , acts as the receiver with input bit the input he wants for the function.

 $P_1$  acts as the sender with the two "messages"

$$m_0 = \mathsf{k}^{\mathsf{0}}_{w}$$
 and  $m_1 = \mathsf{k}^{\mathsf{1}}_{w}$ .

So if  $P_2$  had input bit 0 he would learn  $k_w^0$  but not  $k_w^1$ .

Step 4:

The receiver (the circuit evaluator) can now evaluate the garbled circuit to get the garbled output wire labels.

Using  $O_2$  the receiver can now decode his output to the value  $y_2$ .

The receiver then sends the rest of the output wire labels back to  $P_1$ .

**Step 5:**  $P_1$  can decode his output value  $y_1$  using this data and the table  $O_1$ .

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