Secure Multi-Party Computation A Quick Introduction

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Using data without sharing?

Hospitals which can't share their patient records with anyone

But want to learn from the combined data





ML

algorithm

Secure Function Evaluation

 X_1

 X_2

A general problem

To compute a function of private inputs without revealing information about the inputs

Beyond what is revealed by the function (X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)

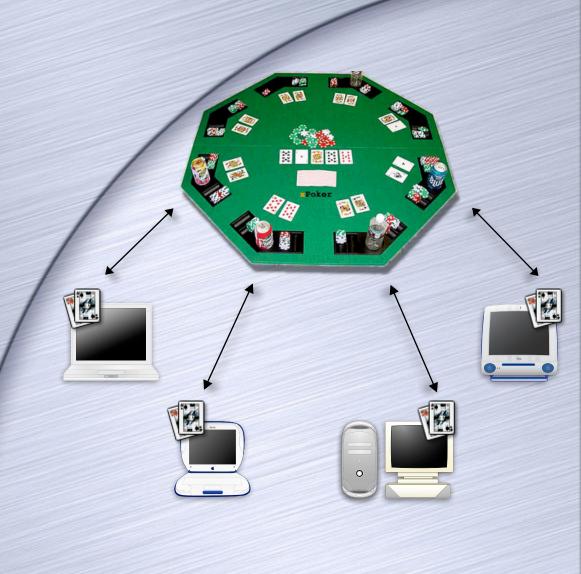
 X_4

 X_3

Poker With No Dealer?

Need to ensure

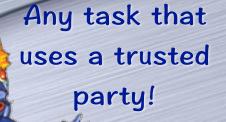
- Cards are shuffled and dealt correctly
- Complete secrecy
- No "cheating" by players, even if they collude
- No universally trusted dealer



The Ambitious Goal

Without any trusted party, securely do
 Distributed Machine Learning
 E-commerc Network G
 E-voting
 Secure fun
 Multi-Party

Secure Multi-Party Computation (MPC)



Emulating Trusted Computation

- Encryption/Authentication allow us to emulate a trusted channel
- Secure MPC: to emulate a source of trusted computation
 - Trusted means it will not "leak" a party's information to others
 - And it will not cheat in the computation
- A tool for mutually distrusting parties to collaborate

Mental Poker



Adi Shamir, Ronald L. Rivest and Leonard M. Adleman

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ABSTRACT

Can two potentially dishonest players play a fair game of poker without using any cards—for example, over the phone? This paper provides the following answers:

- **1** No. (Rigorous mathematical proof supplied.)
- **2** Yes. (Correct and complete protocol given.)

This Tutorial

What does it mean to be secure? How does one do MPC? 🛛 Warm up Some classical protocols for computing "general" functions (will focus on passive corruption) **GMW BGW**

Yao's Garbled CircuitsGlimpses of various concepts

What does it mean to be Secure?

Terminology

Protocol: Instructions to the (honest) parties on what messages to send to whom based on input/local randomness and messages received so far.

The next-message function

Functionality: What we are aiming to achieve

Specified as the program of a trusted party



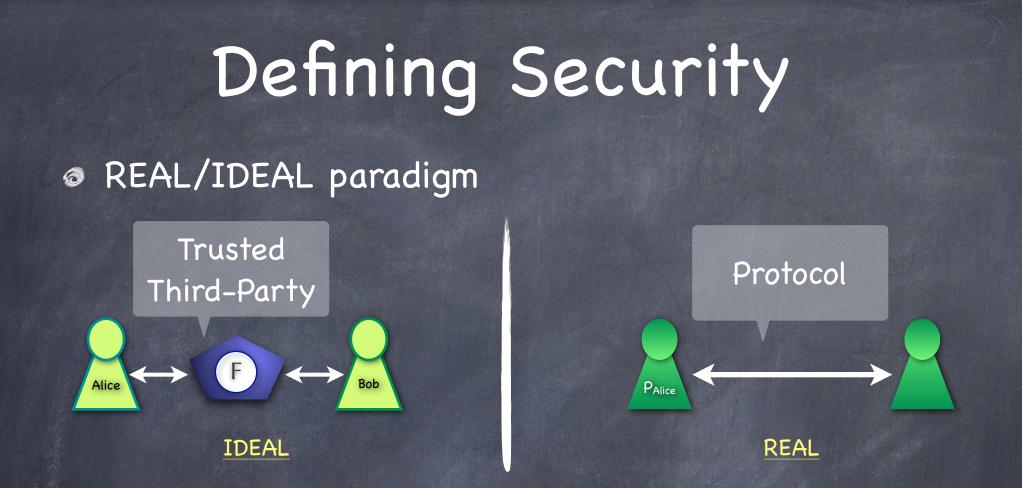
Security Issues to Consider

Protocol may leak a party's secrets

- Clearly an issue
- Even if we trust everyone not to cheat in our protocol (i.e., honest-but-curious)

Also, a <u>liability</u> for a party if extra information reaches it (e.g., in medical data mining)

- Protocol may give adversary illegitimate influence on the outcome
 - Say in poker, if adversary can influence hands dealt
 - In auction, if adversary can choose its bid to just beat the others'



Security guarantee: Whatever an adversary can do in the REAL world, an adversary could have done the same in the IDEAL world

Can't blame the protocol for anything undesirable

Adversary

REAL-adversary can <u>corrupt</u> any set of players

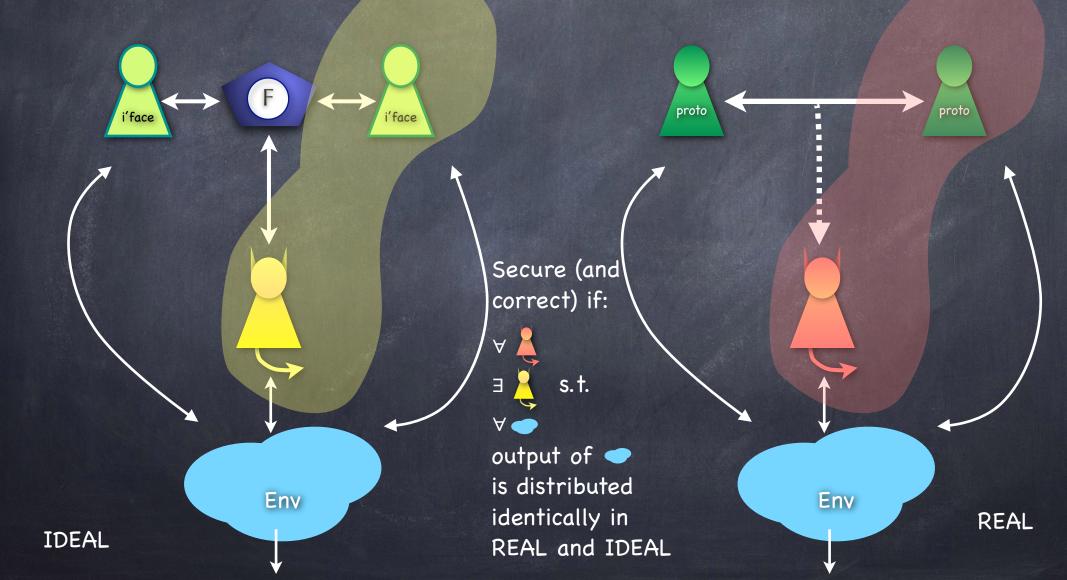
IDEAL-adversary should corrupt the same set of players

More sophisticated notion: adaptive adversary which corrupts players dynamically during/after the execution

We'll stick to static adversaries

Passive vs. Active adversary: Passive adversary gets only read access to the internal state of the corrupted players. Active adversary overwrites their state and program.

Universally Composable [Canetti'01] Defining Security



(Some) Security Models

OUC security: Standard simulation-based security model

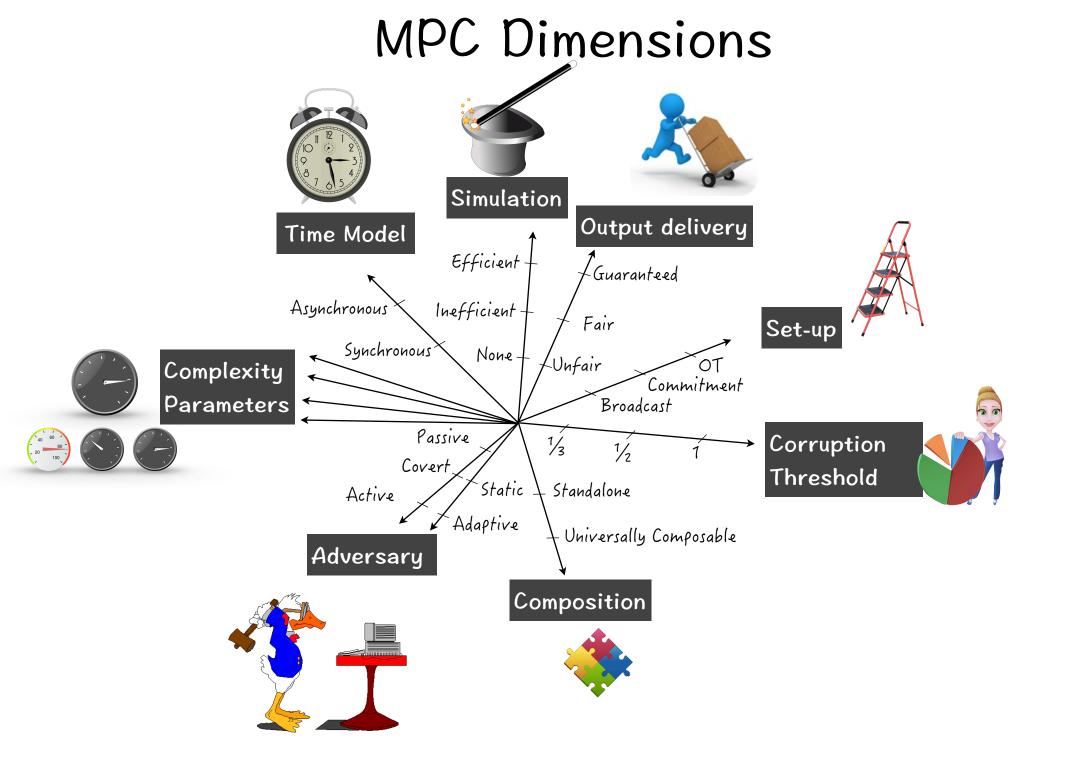
- Passive (a.k.a honest-but-curious) adversary: where corrupt parties stick to the protocol (but we don't want to trust them with information)
- Honest-majority security: adversary can corrupt only a strict minority of parties. (Not useful when only two parties involved)
- Standalone security: environment is not "live": interacts with the adversary before and after (but not during) the protocol
- Functionality-specific non-simulation-based definitions: usually leave out subtle attacks (e.g. malleability related attacks)
- Protocols using a trusted party for some basic functionality (a.k.a. setup)
- Angel-UC (UC + a helpful oracle for adversary in the ideal world)

Is MPC Possible?

Can we securely realize <u>every</u> functionality?

No & Yes!

Univ. Composable Angel-UC Standalone Passive	All subsets corruptible	Honest Majority
Computationally Unbounded (No Setup)	No	
Computationally Unbounded with Setup	Yes	Yes
Computationally Bounded (PPT) (No Setup)	No Yes Yes Yes	



Doing MPC Warm Up

A simple example

- An auction, with Alice and Bob bidding
- Ø Rules:
 - A bid is an integer in the range [0,100]
 - Alice can bid only even integers and Bob odd integers
 - Person with the higher bid wins
- Goal: find out the winning bid (winner & amount) without revealing anything more about the losing bid (beyond what is revealed by the winning bid)

A simple example

Secure protocol:

- Count down from 100
- At each even round Alice announces whether her bid equals the current count; at each odd round Bob does the same
- Stop if a party says yes
- Dutch flower auction
- Perfectly secure against active adversary as well
 Standalone. Not UC.



A second example

 n parties would like to sum up their inputs (integers in a certain range)

Each party should learn only the final output and their own input (and anything that can be inferred from those two)

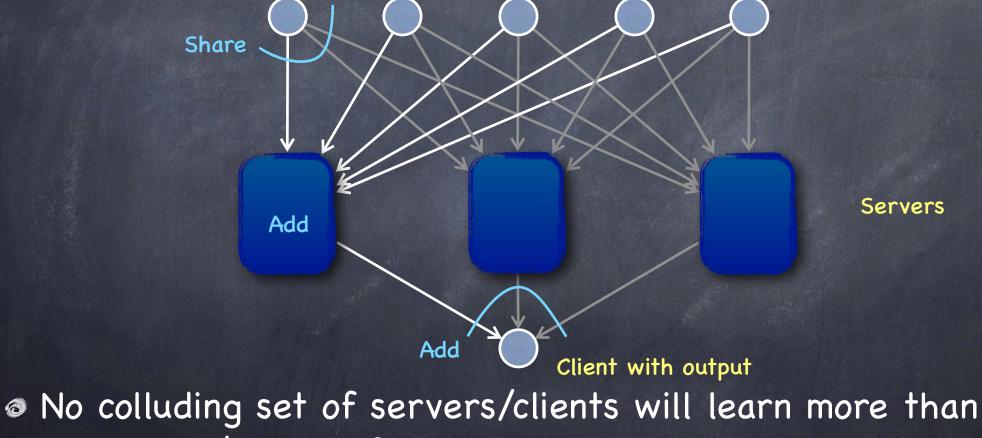
Protocol idea: use <u>additive secret sharing</u>

Additive Secret Sharing

- Fix any "secret" s (all elements from a finite group)
- Let a, b be uniformly random conditioned on
 s = a + b.
 - @ e.g., pick a uniformly at random, set b = s a
- Seach of a, b by itself carries no information about s
- Generalises to multiple shares: a_1, \dots, a_n uniformly random conditioned on $s = a_1 + \dots + a_n$
 - Any subset of up to n-1 shares has no information about s

A second example

Summation, secure against a passive adversary Clients with inputs



the inputs/output of the clients in the collusion, provided that at least one server stays out of the collusion

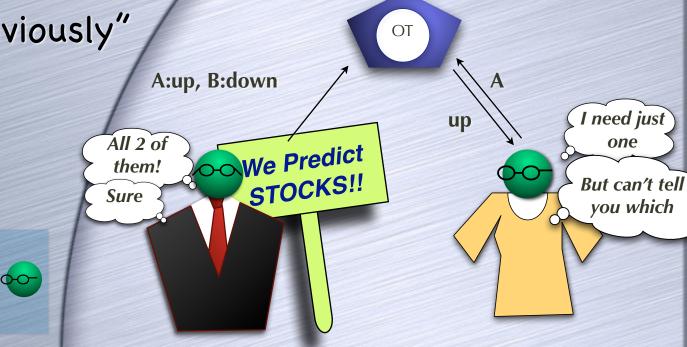
Oblivious Transfer

Pick one out of two, without revealing which

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Intuitive property: transfer partial information "obliviously"

X



IDEAL World

An OT Protocol (passive corruption) • Using a (special) encryption

PKE in which one can sample a public-key without knowing secret-key

C1-b inscrutable to a passive corrupt receiver

Sender learns nothing about b

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 $c_0 = Enc(x_0, PK_0) \checkmark$ $c_1 = Enc(x_1, PK_1)$

X0,X1

PK₀, **PK**₁

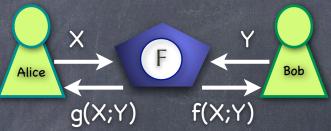
C0,C1

 $(SK_{b}, PK_{b}) \leftarrow KeyGen$ Sample PK_{1-b}

 $x_b = Dec(c_b; SK_b)$

2-Party SFE

- Secure Function Evaluation (SFE) IDEAL:
 - Trusted party takes (X;Y). Outputs f(X;Y) to Bob



- party knows r (beyond what is revealed by output)
- OT is an instance of a (deterministic) 2-party SFE
 - $(x_0, x_1; b) = none; f(x_0, x_1; b) = x_b$
 - Single-Output SFE: only one party gets any output

2-Party SFE

- Can <u>reduce</u> any SFE (even randomized) to a single-output deterministic SFE
 - If (X, M, r₁; Y, r₂) = (g(X; Y; r₁⊕r₂)⊕M, f(X; Y; r₁⊕r₂)). Compute f'(X, M, r₁; Y, r₂) with random M, r₁, r₂
 - Bob sends g(X, Y; $r_1 \oplus r_2$) ⊕ M to Alice
 - Passive secure
 - Generalizes to active security and more than 2 parties
- Can reduce any single-output deterministic SFE to OT!

"Completeness" of OT

 Can reduce any single-output deterministic SFE to OT!
 For passive security Proof of concept for 2 parties: An inefficient reduction Basic GMW": Information-theoretic reduction to OT Yao's garbled circuit for 2 parties (later today) In fact, OT is complete even for active security 0

"Completeness" of OT:
 Proof of Concept
 Single-output 2-party function f

Alice (who knows x, but not y) prepares a table for f(x,·) with N = 2^{|y|} entries (one for each y)

Bob uses y to decide which entry in the table to pick up using 1-out-of-N OT (without learning the other entries)

Bob learns only f(x,y) (in addition to y). Alice learns nothing beyond x.

Problem: N is exponentially large in |y|

1-out-of-N OT

$f((x_1,...,x_N); i) = (\bot; x_i)$

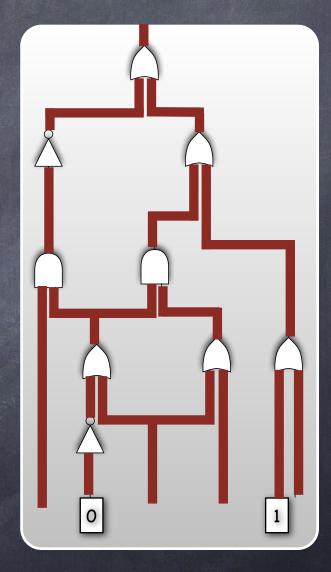
For passive security: simply run N copies of 1-out-of-2 OT, with inputs for jth instance being (0,x_j; b_j) where b_j = 1 iff j=i

Aside: active security easily achievable too using a randomized protocol using N-1 copies of 1-out-of-2 OT Doing MPC Basic GMW

Functions as Circuits

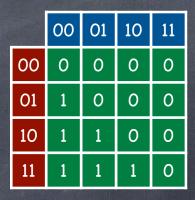
Directed acyclic graph

- Nodes: AND, OR, NOT, CONST gates, inputs, output(s)
- Sedges: Boolean valued wires
- Each wire comes out of a unique gate, but a wire might fan-out
- Can evaluate wires according to a topologically sorted order of gates they come out of
- Arithmetic circuits: Wire values from a field and the gates are addition/multiplication



Functions as Circuits

- e.g.: OR (single gate, 2 input bits, 1 bit output)
- e.g.: X > Y for two bit inputs X=x1x0, Y=y1y0: (x1 ∧ ¬y1) ∨ (¬(x1 ⊕ y1) ∧ (x0 ∧ ¬y0)
- Can directly convert a truth-table into a circuit, but circuit size exponential in input size



- Can convert any ("efficient") program into a ("small") circuit
- Interesting problems already given as succinct programs/circuits

Basic GMW

- Adapted from the famous Goldreich-Micali-Wigderson (1987) protocol (due to Goldreich-Vainish, Haber-Micali,...)
- Efficient passive secure MPC based on OT, without any other computational assumptions
 - Section Sec
- Idea: Computing on additively secret-shared values
 - Will write [s]_i to denote shares of s, so that
 s = [s]₁ + ··· + [s]_m for m-way sharing
 - Start with m=2

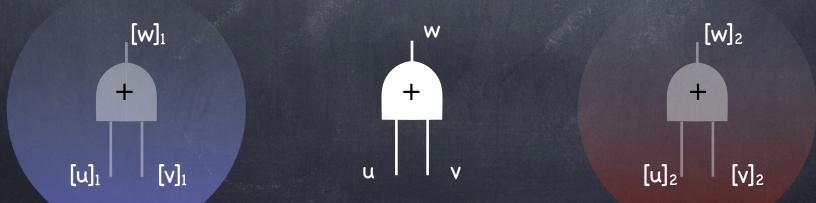
Computing on Shares

 \oslash Let gates be + & \times over any field

SOR & AND for Boolean circuits (field GF(2))

Plan: shares of each wire value will be computed, with Alice holding one share and Bob the other. At the end, Alice sends her share of output wire to Bob.

 $w = u + v : Each one locally computes <math> [w]_i = [u]_i + [v]_i$

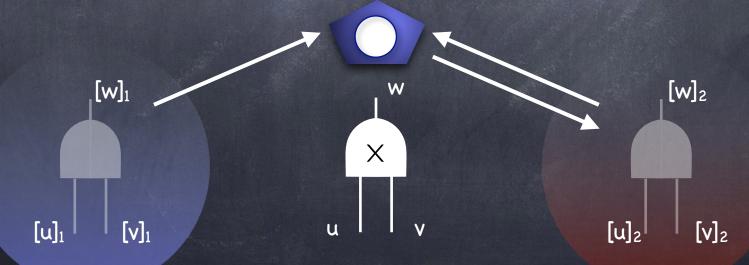


Computing on Shares

• What about $w = u \times v$?

- Alice picks [w]₁. Can let Bob compute [w]₂ using the naive (proof-of-concept) protocol

Note: Bob's input is ([u]₂,[v]₂). Over the binary field, this requires a single 1-out-of-4 OT.



GMW: many parties

- \odot m-way sharing: s = [s]₁ +...+ [s]_m
- Addition, local as before

Allows security against arbitrary number of corruptions

- Multiplication: For w = u × v
 [w]₁ +..+ [w]_m = ([u]₁ +..+ [u]_m) × ([v]₁ +..+ [v]_m)
 - Party i computes [u]_i[v]_i
 - For every pair (i,j), i≠j, Party i picks random a_{ij} and lets Party j securely compute b_{ij} s.t. a_{ij} + b_{ij} = [u]_i[v]_j using the naive protocol (a single 1-out-of-2 OT)
 - Party i sets $[w]_i = [u]_i[v]_i + \Sigma_j (a_{ij} + b_{ji})$

Levels of Security						
	Unlimited Corruption	Hone Major				
Passive	"GMW" protocol (given OT)					
Active	Unfair ?	Fair	r Full			

Levels of Security

O Unfair

- Adversary can cause honest parties to abort (not receive output) but get its own output
- In fact, it can decide which honest parties abort after seeing its own output

Fair

Adversary can cause everyone to abort, but then it will not see its own output

Full

Guaranteed Output Delivery

Fairness and Guaranteed Output Delivery possible in general only with honest majority

GMW against active corruption

- Original GMW approach: Use Zero Knowledge proofs to force the parties to run the protocol honestly
 - Needs (passive-secure) OT to be implemented using a protocol
- Kilian/IPS: Direct information-theoretic reduction to OT
- Alternate construction: information-theoretic reduction to OT, starting from passive-secure GMW

Passive-Secure GMW: Closer Look

- Multiplication: $[w]_1 + [w]_2 = ([u]_1 + [u]_2) \times ([v]_1 + [v]_2)$
- Computing shares a_{12} , b_{12} s.t. $a_{12} + b_{12} = [u]_1 \cdot [v]_2$:
 - Alice picks a₁₂ and sends (-a₁₂, [u]₁-a₁₂) to OT.
 Bob sends [v]₂ to OT.
 - What if Alice sends arbitrary (x,y) to OT? Effectively, setting a₁₂ = -x, [u]₁' = y-x.
 - And what Bob sends to OT is [v]₂'
- i.e., arbitrary behaviour of Alice & Bob while sharing [u]₁·[v]₂
 correspond to them locally changing their shares [u]₁ and [v]₂

Passive-Secure GMW: Closer Look

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- Arbitrary behaviour of Alice while sharing [u]₁·[v]₂ and [u]₂·[v]₁ corresponds to her locally changing her shares of u and v
 - Alice changing her share from $[u]_1$ to $[u]_1'$ is effectively changing u to $u + \Delta_u$, where $\Delta_u = [u]_1' - [u]_1$ depends only on her own view
- Over all effect: a corrupt party can arbitrarily add Δ_u and Δ_v to wires u and v before multiplication
- Also, can add deltas to all input and output wires

Active-Secure Variant of Basic GMW

- Any active attack on Basic GMW protocol corresponds to an additive attack on the wires of the circuit
- Idea: "Compile" the circuit such that any additive attack amounts to error (w.h.p.), resulting in random output
- Additive Manipulation Detecting (AMD) circuits
 - Extension of AMD codes
 - e.g. encode x as a vector (x, r, xr) where r is random from a large field. Additive attacks (without knowing r) detected unless (x+δ₁)(r+δ₂) = (xr+δ₃): i.e., δ₁·r + x·δ₂ + δ₁·δ₂ = δ₃. Unlikely unless δ₁ = 0.

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	Unlimited Corruption	Honest Majority *BGW" protocol (no setup/computational hardness)		
Passive	"GMW" protocol (given OT)			
Active	Unfair via AMD circuits		Fair	Full

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Doing MPC Basic BGW

BGW

Protocol by Ben-Or, Goldwasser, Wigderson. We will first look at the simpler setting of passive corruption.

- Passive secure MPC for arithmetic circuits (over large enough fields) assuming honest majority, but without any computational assumptions or setup
- Idea: Computing on secret-shared values
 - Shamir secret-sharing: threshold, linear secretsharing, also allowing multiplication

Threshold Secret-Sharing

(n,t)-secret-sharing

Divide a message m into n shares s1,...,sn, such that
any t shares are enough to reconstruct the secret
up to t-1 shares have no information about the secret
Additive secret-sharing is (n,n) secret-sharing

e.g., (s₁,...,s_{t-1}) has the same distribution for every m in the message space

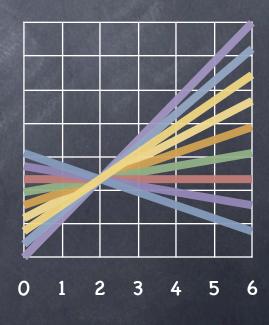
Threshold Secret-Sharing

- First, (n,2) secret-sharing
- Message-space = share-space = F, a field (e.g. integers mod a prime)

solution for $r \cdot a_i + m = d$, for

every value of d

- Share(m): pick random r. Let $s_i = r \cdot a_i + m$ (for i=1,...,n < |F|)
- Since ai⁻¹ exists, exactly one
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- Geometric "interpretation
 - Sharing picks a random "line" y = f(x), such that f(0) = m. Shares $s_i = f(a_i)$.
 - s_i is independent of m: exactly one line passing through (a_i,s_i) and (0,m') for any secret m'
 - But can reconstruct the line from two points!



a_i are n distinct,

non-zero field elements

Threshold Secret-Sharing

(n,t) secret-sharing in a field F

Shamir Secret-Sharing

- Generalizing the geometric/algebraic view: instead of lines, use polynomials
 - Share(m): Pick a random degree t-1 polynomial f(X), such that f(0) = m. Shares are s_i = f(a_i).
 - Random polynomial with f(0) = m: $c_0 + c_1X + c_2X^2 + ... + c_{t-1}X^{t-1}$ by picking $c_0 = m$ and $c_1, ..., c_{t-1}$ at random.
 - Reconstruct(s_1, \dots, s_t): Lagrange interpolation to find $m = c_0$

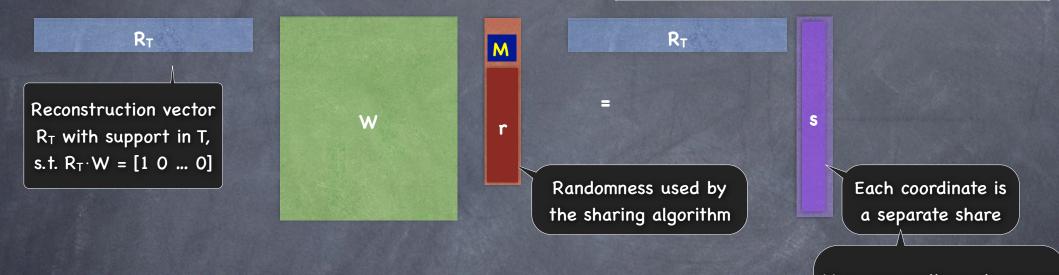
Need t points to reconstruct the polynomial. Given t-1 points, out of |F|^{t-1} polynomials passing through (0,m') (for any m') there is exactly one that passes through the t-1 points

Is a "Linear Secret-Sharing Scheme"

Linear Secret-Sharing

Another look at additive secret-sharing

Working with a commutative group here. Multiplication by ±1 and 0 well-defined in a group. But more broadly, we shall consider a field.

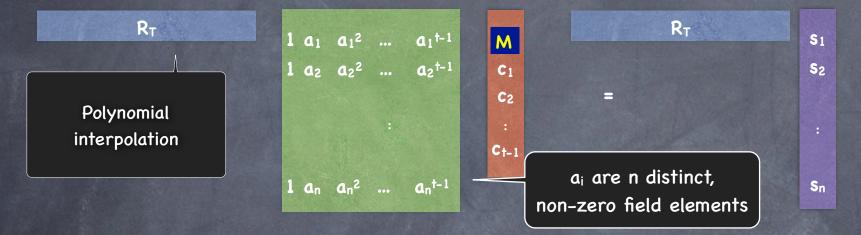


More generally, a share can have multiple coordinates

Linear Secret-Sharing over a field: message and shares are field elements
 Reconstruction by a set T ⊆ [n] : <u>solve</u> the message from given shares
 i.e., solve W_T $\begin{bmatrix} M \\ r \end{bmatrix} = s_T$ for M

Linearity of Shamir Secret-Sharing

Shamir's scheme is a linear secret-sharing scheme



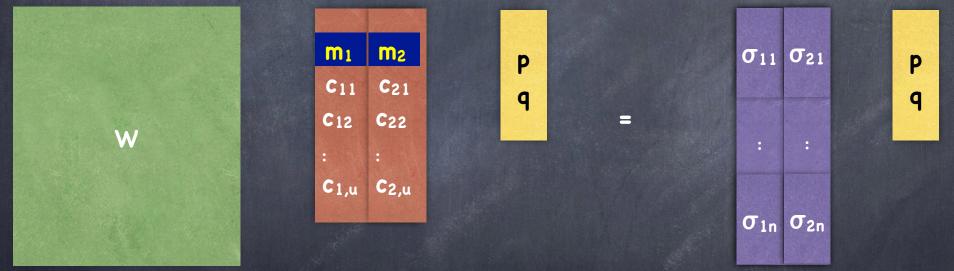
Which sets T ⊆ [n] can reconstruct? i.e., T s.t. W_T spans [1 0 ... 0]?
 W_T spans [1 0 ... 0] iff |T| ≥ t

The second property of the second problem \mathbb{T}^+ of the sec

For |T| < t, can add a row [1 0 ... 0] and (optionally) more rows of the form [1 a a²... a[†]] to get a Vandermonde matrix. So [1 0 ... 0] is independent of the rows of W_T

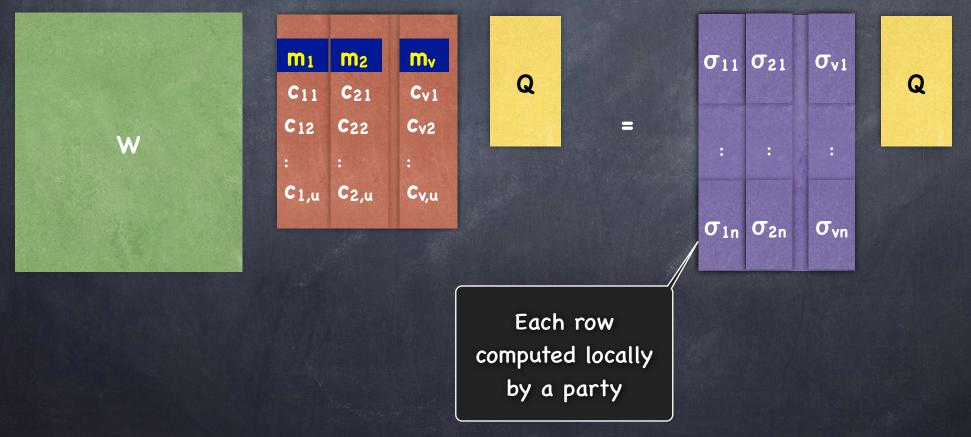
Secrecy: guaranteed for any linear secret-sharing scheme





Then for any p,q \in F, shares of $p \cdot m_1 + q \cdot m_2$ can be computed <u>locally</u> by each party i as $\sigma_i = p \cdot \sigma_{1i} + q \cdot \sigma_{2i}$





BGW

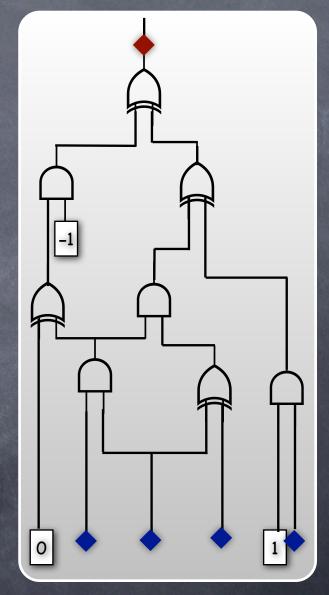
- Wire values will be kept linearly secretshared among all servers
- Each input value is secret-shared among the servers by the input client "owning" the input gate
- Linear operations computed by each server on its shares, locally (no communication)

Shares of x, y \rightarrow Shares of ax+by

Multiplication will involve communication

Coming up

 Output gate evaluation: servers send their shares to the output client owning the gate



Passive-Secure BGW

- Question: How to go from shares(x), shares(y) to shares(x \cdot y) securely?
- Idea 1: Use multiplicative structure of Shamir secret-sharing
 - For polynomials, multiplication commutes with evaluation:
 (f·g)(x) = f(x)·g(x)
 - In particular, to get a polynomial h with h(0)= f(0)·g(0), simply define h = f·g. Shares h(x) can be computed as f(x)·g(x)
 - But note: h has a higher degree!
 - Problem 1: If original degree ≥ N/2, can't reconstruct the product even if all servers reveal their new shares
 - Solution: Use degree d < N/2 (limits to d < N/2 corruption)</p>
 - Problem 2: Can't continue protocol after one multiplication

Passive-Secure BGW

- Problem: If x, y shared using a degree d polynomial, x · y is shared using a degree 2d polynomial
- Solution: Bring it back to the original secret-sharing scheme!
 Share switching (coming up)
- Note: All N servers together should be able to linearly reconstruct the degree-2d sharing
 - Start with N > 2d

≤ (N-1)/2

 Can tolerate only up to d (< N/2) corrupt servers (and any number of corrupt clients)

Switching Schemes

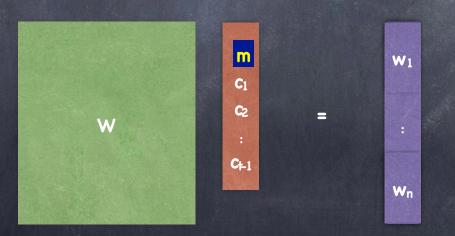
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 Ø Share each w_i using scheme Z: (σ_{i1},...,σ_{in})← Z.Share(w_i)
 Ø Locally each party j reconstructs using scheme W: z_j ← W.Recon (σ_{1j},...,σ_{nj})



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σ_1	1 σ ₂₁		σ_{v1}
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σ1	$n \sigma_{2n}$		σ_{vn}

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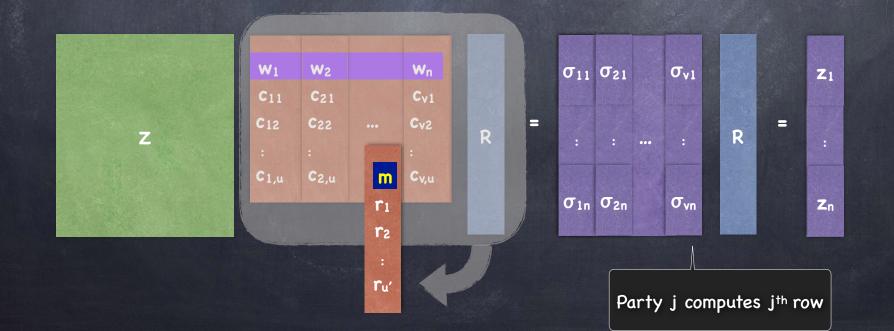
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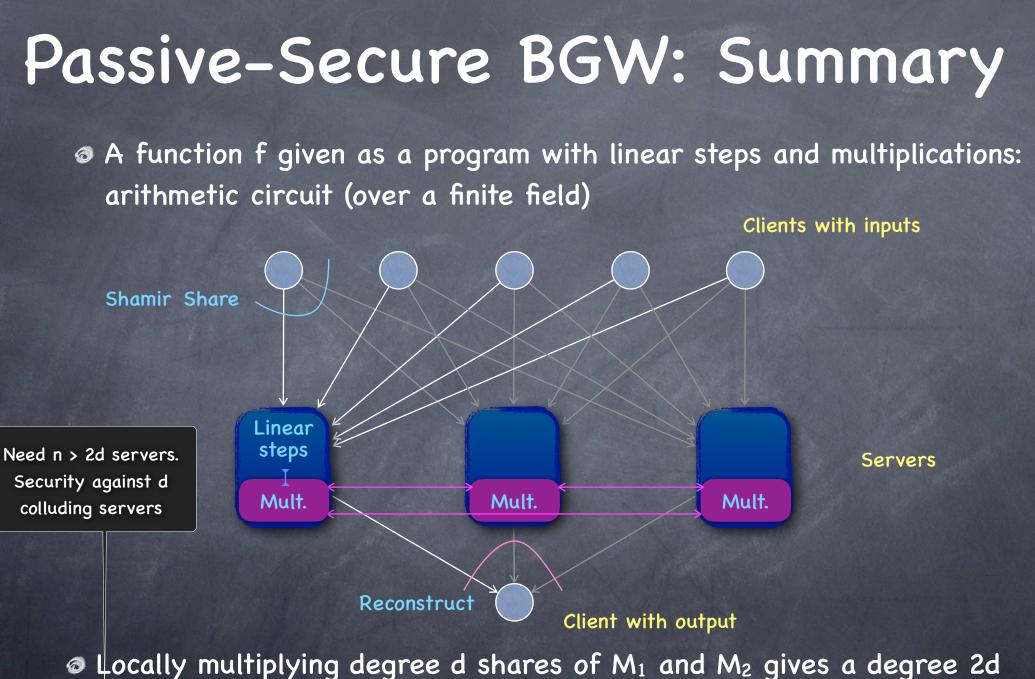
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Share of $M_1 \cdot M_2$. Then <u>switch back</u> to a fresh degree 2d shares of M_1 and M_2 gives a degree 2d share of $M_1 \cdot M_2$. Then <u>switch back</u> to a fresh degree d sharing (involves communicating degree d shares of degree 2d shares)

Passive-Secure BGW: Security

- First consider the protocol till just before output reconstruction
- We want that the adversary learns nothing about the honest parties' inputs
 - The only messages received are from <u>fresh</u> degree d secret sharings (even in the multiplication step), even though the messages being shared are not uniform
 - To the adversary, this appears as uniform random shares

Passive-Secure BGW: Security

- First consider the protocol till just before output reconstruction
 Adversary learns nothing about the honest parties' inputs
- Now consider the output reconstruction step as well
- Observation: Enough to show security against an adversary who actually corrupts the maximum allowed number of servers, d
 - Consider the messages received by the adversary for each output wire it owns
 - Fully determined by the d shares it already has and the output value (which it is allowed to learn)
 - So entire view determined by own inputs, the random values from the computation phase, and own outputs

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Unlimited Corruption

Honest Majority

 Passive
 "GMW"
 "BGW" protocol (no setup/computational hardness)

 Active
 Unfair
 Fair
 Full

 via AMD circuits
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Fair Honest-Majority MPC

Tool: Error-Correcting Secret-Sharing (ECSS)

- a.k.a. robust secret-sharing
- Allows reconstruction as long as a majority of the shares submitted are correct
 - e.g., Mutually authenticating shares (using statistical MACs). To reconstruct, look for a clique of size n/2 of mutually consistent shares.

Fair Honest-Majority MPC

- Share inputs using ECSS
- Run unfair protocol to obtain ECSS shares of output
- If no abort, each honest party broadcasts OK
- If all say OK, then send ECSS shares for reconstruction
- Adversary can cause abort for all parties, <u>but without knowing its</u> <u>own outputs</u>. Cannot change output by corrupting < n/2 parties.</p>
 - Note: requires broadcast to be fully secure (guaranteed output delivery). Possible to implement when < n/3 corrupt parties

Full Security

- The main difficulty, compared to active-secure MPC, is in identifying who cheated
- Not possible to exactly identify one cheating party
 - e.g., [P₁ sends garbage to P₂ over a private link] =
 [P₂ discards what P₁ sent, replacing it with garbage]
- Can hope to identify a set of 2 parties, at least one of which is corrupt
- id_{1/2}-abort-security: Either all honest parties get output, or they agree on a set of parties, at least half of which are corrupt

Full Security

 \odot Assume we have $id_{1/2}$ -abort-secure protocol for general functions

Requires additional techniques, involving consistency checks and complaining if the checks fail (omitted)

ECSS share inputs

Run a id_{1/2}-abort-secure protocol to obtain ECSS shares of outputs

If abort/error, <u>eliminate</u> the identified set (who reshare their inputs among active players). Repeat.

If no abort, send shares for reconstruction

Note: honest majority maintained among active parties

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	Unlimited Corruption		Honest Majority	
Passive	"GMW" protocol (given OT)	"BGW" protocol (no setup/computational hardness)		
	Un	fair	Fair	Full
Active	via AMD c	circuits	via <u>error-</u> <u>correcting</u> <u>secret-</u> <u>sharing</u>	via identification <u>&</u> elimination

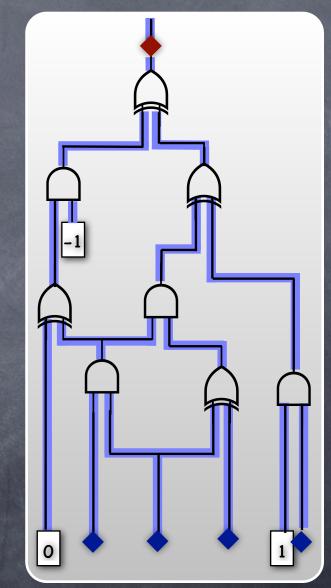
Doing MPC Yao's Garbled Circuit

Functions as Circuits

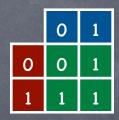
Directed acyclic graph

Recall

- Nodes: multiplication and addition gates, constant gates, inputs, output(s)
- Edges: wires carrying values from F
- Each wire comes out of a unique gate, but a wire might fan-out
- Can evaluate wires according to a topologically sorted order of gates they come out of



2-Party MPC for General Circuits

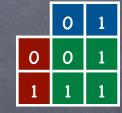


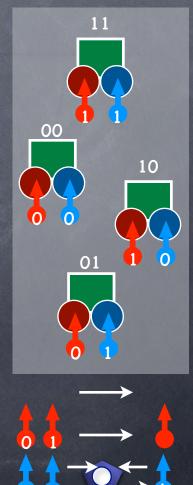
General": evaluate any arbitrary (boolean) circuit

- One-sided output: both parties give inputs, only one party gets outputs
- Seither party maybe corrupted passively
- Consider evaluating OR (single gate circuit)
 - Alice holds x=a, Bob has y=b; Bob should get OR(x,y)

A Physical Protocol

- Alice prepares 4 boxes B_{xy} corresponding to 4 possible input scenarios, and 4 padlocks/keys K_{x=0}, K_{x=1}, K_{y=0} and K_{y=1}
- Inside B_{xy=ab} she places the bit OR(a,b) and locks it with two padlocks K_{x=a} and K_{y=b} (need to open both to open the box)
- She un-labels the four boxes and sends them in random order to Bob. Also sends the key K_{x=a} (labeled only as K_x).
 - So far Bob gets no information
- Bob "obliviously picks up" K_{y=b}, and tries the two keys K_x,K_y on the four boxes. For one box both locks open and he gets the output.

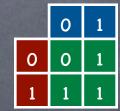




A Physical Protocol

Secure?

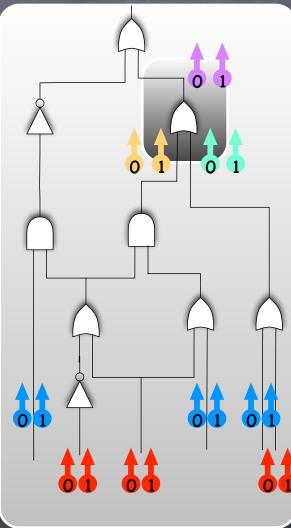
- For curious Alice: only influence from Bob is when he picks up his key K_{y=b}
 - But this is done "obliviously", so she learns nothing
- For curious Bob: What he sees is predictable (i.e., can be simulated), given the final outcome
 - What Bob sees: His key opens K_y in two boxes, Alice's opens K_x in two boxes; only one random box fully opens. It has the outcome.
 - Note when y=1, cases x=0 and x=1 appear same



Larger Circuits

Idea: For each gate in the circuit Alice will prepare locked boxes, but will use it to keep keys for the next gate

For each wire w in the circuit (i.e., input wires, or output of a gate) pick 2 keys K_{w=0} and K_{w=1}



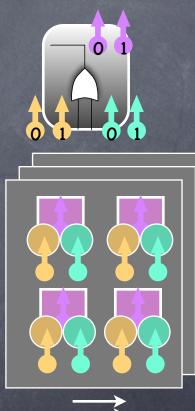
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 For each gate G with input wires (u,v) and output wire w, prepare 4 boxes B_{uv} and place K_{w=G(a,b)} inside box B_{uv=ab}. Lock B_{uv=ab} with keys K_{u=a} and K_{v=b}

Give to Bob: Boxes for each gate, one key for each of Alice's input wires

Obliviously: one key for each of Bob's input wiresBoxes for output gates have values instead of keys



Larger Circuits

Evaluation: Bob gets one key for each input wire of a gate, opens one box for the gate, gets one key for the output wire, and proceeds

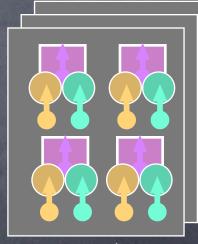
Gets output from a box for the output gate

Security similar to before

Curious Alice sees nothing

Bob can simulate his view given final output: Bob could prepare boxes and keys (stuffing unopenable boxes arbitrarily); for an output gate, place the output bit in the box that opens





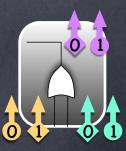
Garbled Circuit

- That was too physical!
- Yao's Garbled circuit: boxes/keys replaced by Symmetric Key Encryption (specifically, using a <u>Pseudorandom Function</u> or <u>PRF</u>)
 - Enc_κ(m) = PRF_κ(index) ⊕ m, where index is a wire index
 (distinct for different wires fanning-out of the same gate)
 - Double lock: Enc_{Kx}(Enc_{Ky}(m))
 - PRF in practice: a block-cipher, like AES
- Uses Oblivious Transfer for strings: For passive security, can just repeat bit-OT several times to transfer longer keys

Garbled Circuit

One issue when using encryption instead of locks

- Given four doubly locked boxes (in random order) and two keys, we simply tried opening all locks until one box fully opened
- With encryption, cannot quite tell if a box opened or not! Outcome of decryption looks random in either case.
- Simple solution: encode the keys so that wrong decryption does not result in outputs that look like valid encoding of keys
- Better solution: For each wire, the 0 & 1 keys have distinct "shape" labels, assigned at random. Each locked box marked with the shape of the two keys needed to unlock it.



Defining MPC

A simple example

- Recall the Dutch flower auction protocol
 - Count down from 100
 - At each even round Alice announces whether her bid equals the current count; at each odd round Bob does the same
 - Stop if a party says yes
- Perfectly secure against active adversary as well
 But is that ideal enough?



Attack on

Dutch Flower Auction

Alice and Bob are taking part in two auctions

- Alice's goal: ensure that Bob wins at least one auction with some bid z, and the winning bid in the other auction $\in \{z, z-1\}$
- Easy in the protocol: run the two protocols lockstep. Wait till Bob says yes in one. Done if Bob says yes in the other simultaneously. Else Alice will say yes in the next round.
- Why is this an attack?
 - Impossible for Alice to ensure this in IDEAL!

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Dutch Flower Auction

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- Impossible to ensure this in IDEAL!
- Alice can get a result in one session, before running the other. But what should she submit as her input x in the first one?
 - Trouble if x≠0, because she could win (i.e., z-1=x) and Bob's input in the other session may be ≠ x+1
 - Trouble if x=0, because Bob could win with input 1 (i.e., z=1) and in the other session his input > 1

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 - Concurrent composition: multiple sessions (typically of the same protocol) are active at the same time, and the adversary can coordinate its actions across the sessions

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Subroutines

A "REAL" protocol in which parties access (another) IDEAL protocol

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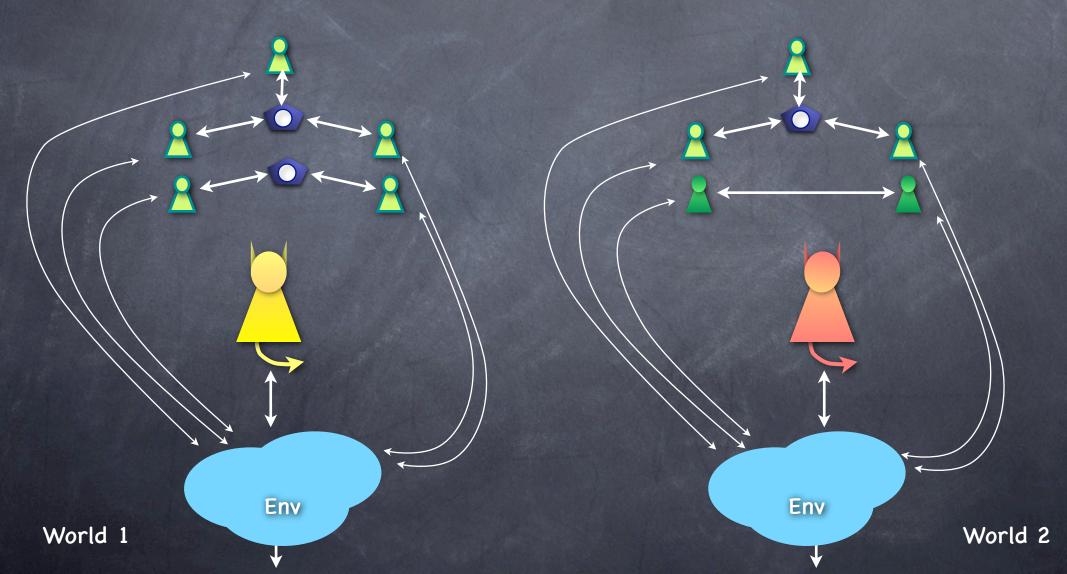
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 - Concurrent composition: multiple sessions (typically of the same protocol) are active at the same time, and the adversary can coordinate its actions across the sessions
 Also, subroutine calls
 - Universal composition: Executed in an arbitrary environment which may include other protocol sessions (possibly calling this session as a subroutine). Live communication between environment and adversary.

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Replace protocol 2^{2} with 2^{2} which is as secure, etc.

Hope: resulting system is as secure as the one we started with

Env

World 4

World 1

Start from world A (think "IDEAL")

Repeat (for any poly number of times):

For some 2 "protocols" (that possibly make use of ideal functionalities) I and R such that R is as secure as I, substitute an I-session by an R-session

Say we obtain world B (think "REAL")

OUC Theorem: Then world B is as secure as world A

Gives a modular implementation of the IDEAL world