# Introduction to Secure Multi-Party Computation

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### **Secure Multi-Party Computation**

- Requirements
  - o n actors with private data  $x_1, x_2, ... x_n$
  - $\circ$  compute  $F(x_1, x_2, \dots x_n)$
  - o don't leak any other information
  - no trusted third parties
- Applications
  - Distributed voting
  - Private bidding and auctions

#### Do you have more money?

- Don't leak any other information
- No trusted third-party



you, a multi-millionaire



Does Alice have more money? Effectively:  $A \ge B$ 

- Assume  $A, B \in \{1, 2, ... 10\}$
- Alice has public RSA key (e, n) and private (d, n)



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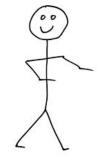
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If  $A \ge B$ , then 0 added, so

$$W_B = X_B \mod p = x \mod p$$

 $\leftarrow$  result 1 iff A ≥ B



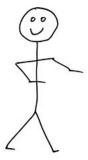
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- Correctness
  - ∘ result is 1 iff  $A \ge B$
- Security
  - Alice learns random number m
  - Bob learns random prime *p*
  - $\circ$  Bob learns  $W_1 \dots W_{10}$ 
    - Bob can't calculate  $X_i$  except when i = B, so Bob can't calculate other  $W_i$
    - Bob can't recover  $X_i$  from  $W_i$  due to loss of information with mod p

- Assumptions
  - Actors will follow protocol
  - Actors won't lie about wealth
  - Actors won't broadcast their wealth
- Ideal vs. Real World
  - Ideal has a trusted third-party
  - Real world must mimic ideal level of security

### **Oblivious Transfer (OT)**

- Alice offers *n* messages, Bob selects and receives one
  - o Alice doesn't know which Bob chose
  - Bob doesn't know the other messages
  - Without loss of generality, we will assume single-bit messages





Alice, has  $b_1, b_2, \dots b_n$ 

Bob, wants  $b_i$ 



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- compute  $(c_1, \dots c_n) = (B_f(f^{-1}(y_1)), \dots B_f(f^{-1}(y_n))) c_i = B_f(x_i)$
- compute  $(d_1, ... d_n) = (b_1 \oplus c_1, ... b_n \oplus c_n) d_i = b_i \oplus x_i$ looks random  $(d_1, ... d_n) \rightarrow$



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• result = 
$$d_i \oplus x_i$$
 result =  $b_i$ 



- Correctness
  - o result is b;
- Security
  - Alice learns  $(y_1, ..., y_n)$  which all look random
  - Alice doesn't learn anything about i
  - Bob learns  $(d_1, ... d_n)$  which all look random except  $d_i$
  - $\triangleright$  Bob can't calculate any other  $b_i$ 

    - xor with random loses all information

- Alice and Bob have private inputs x and y respectively
- Want to compute boolean function F(x, y)



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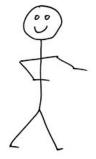
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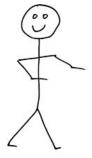
- Consider  $F(x, y) = x \wedge y$ 
  - Alice has x = 0: F(0, y) doesn't leak y
  - Bob has y = 0: F(x, 0) doesn't leak x
  - Alice has x = 1: F(1, y) leaks y
  - Holds up to security of ideal world



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- Single-gate, single-bit boolean functions only
  - o Otherwise Alice would gain information at each individual OT



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- Alice and Bob have private inputs x and y respectively
- Want to compute boolean function F(x, y) where F consists of multiple gates and x and y are multiple bits
  - Each step will consider a single gate with single-bit inputs f(a, b)
     with the output encoded







$$a = 0.3_1$$
 $a = 1: S_2$ 
 $S_1 \quad E_1(p) \quad S_3 \quad E_3(q)$ 

S <sub>1</sub>	E <sub>1</sub> (p)	<b>S</b> <sub>3</sub>	E <sub>3</sub> (q)
S <sub>1</sub>	E <sub>1</sub> (s)	<b>S</b> <sub>4</sub>	E <sub>4</sub> (t)
S <sub>2</sub>	E <sub>2</sub> (m)	<b>S</b> <sub>3</sub>	E <sub>3</sub> (n)
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Alice, has a

create encryption schemes 
$$S_1 = (E_1, D_1)$$
 to  $S_6$ 

- randomly select p, s, m, and u
- randomly assign S<sub>3</sub> and S<sub>4</sub> complimentary bits
- randomly assign  $\rm S_5$  and  $\rm S_6$  complimentary bits
- create table for f(a, b)

b = 0:  $S_3$ b = 1:  $S_4$   $\leftarrow$  table with rows permass  $\leftarrow$  D<sub>3</sub> or D<sub>4</sub> dependent on b  $\leftarrow$  table with rows permuted and no private values

Example: 
$$F(a, b) = a \land b$$
  
 $p \oplus q = D_5$   $(0 \land 0 = 0)$   
 $s \oplus t = D_5$   $(0 \land 1 = 0)$   
 $m \oplus n = D_5$   $(1 \land 0 = 0)$   
 $u \oplus v = D_6$   $(1 \land 1 = 1)$ 



$$a = 0: S_{1}$$

$$a = 1: S_{2}$$

$$S_{1} \quad E_{1}(p) \quad S_{3} \quad E_{3}(q)$$

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$$S_{2} \quad E_{2}(m) \quad S_{3} \quad E_{3}(n)$$

$$S_{2} \quad E_{2}(u) \quad S_{4} \quad E_{4}(v)$$

 $E_2(\mathbf{u})$ 

Alice, has a

**0**: S<sub>5</sub>

**1**: S<sub>6</sub>

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Bob, has b

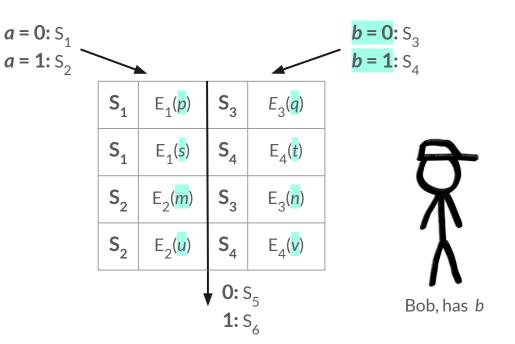
- use the pair of decryption keys to decode the pair of values *k*, *l* in a row
- $D_i = k \oplus l D_i = D_5 \text{ or } D_6$
- result = 0 if D<sub>5</sub>, 1 otherwise result = f(a, b)

 $result \rightarrow \\$ 

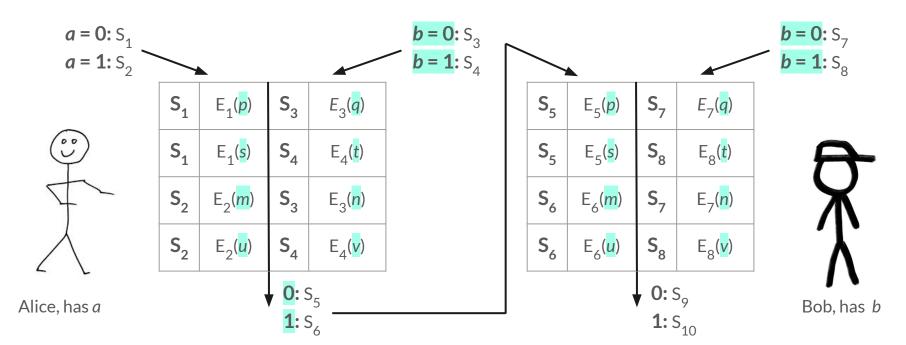


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- combine single-bit, single-gate steps
  - keep intermediate output assignments private
  - Use intermediate outputs as inputs



- Correctness
  - $\circ$  result of each step is f(x, y)
    - final result is F(a, b)
  - $\circ$  any boolean function can be composed with  $\wedge$  and  $\neg$
- Security
  - Alice learns either  $D_3$  or  $D_4$ , uncorrelated with b
  - Alice learns only  $D_1$  or  $D_2$ , according to a
  - $\circ$  Alice can only compute either  $D_5$  or  $D_6$  with both k and l
    - xor with random renders partial information useless
  - Alice doesn't learn intermediate outputs because correlation is private
  - Bob learns only the final result
  - o Bob doesn't learn intermediate outputs because no information transfer

## **Secure Multi-Party Computation**

- Recap
  - we've shown any boolean function can be securely computed
  - constraints two actors, passive adversaries
- Goldreich, Micali, and Widgerson proved completeness for *n* actors
  - o can have malicious adversaries provided at least n/2 are honest

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