

Data oblivious programming

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What is it (Data Oblivious Programming)?

Fancy name for no changing computation behaviour on sensitive data:

- Branching (if-else)
- Evaluating sensitive data resulting in access addresses



Example IF-ELSE

```
if (x > y) a = b;  
else a = c;
```

```
cond = x > y;  
a = cond * b + !cond * c;
```



Example IF

```
if (x > y) a = b;
```

```
cond = x > y;  
a = cond * b + !cond * a;
```



Example WHILE

```
sum = i = 0;  
while (i < n) sum += arr[i++];
```

```
sum = i = 0;  
while (i < maxIter) sum += (i < n) * arr[i++];
```



Example []

```
int a[10];
```

```
int i=3;
```

```
int b = a[i];
```

```
Secure b = 0;
```

```
Secure i = 3;
```

```
for( int j=0; j<10; j++ ) b += a[j]*(i==j);
```



Problem 1

```
int a[10] = {...};
```

?

```
int b = MIN;
```

```
for( int x : a) if( x>b) b=x;
```



Problem 1 solution

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```
for( sec x : a )
```

```
{
```

```
    k=x>b;
```

```
    b=k*x+(1-k)*b
```

```
}
```




Problem 2

```
int a[10] = {...};
```

?

```
int b1 = MIN, b2=MIN;
```

```
for( int x : a) if( x>=b1) { b1=x; b2=b1; }
```

```
else if (x>b2) b2=x;
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Problem 2 solution

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else if (x>b2) b2=x;
```

```
for( sec x : a ){
```

```
    k1 = x>b1; k2=x>b2;
```

```
    t1=k1*x+(1-k1)*b1
```

```
    t2=k1*k2*b1+k2*(1-k1)*x+(1-
```

```
    k2)*b2;
```

```
    b1=t1; b2=t2;
```

```
}
```

