

# Silence Laboratories

## 1 Dynamic Secret Sharing

**Lagrange coefficients.** Let  $P(\cdot)$  be a polynomial of degree  $t$  and let  $T$  be a set of  $t + 1$  points  $(x_i, y_i)_{i \in T}$  then for every  $x$  we have  $P(x) = \sum_{i \in T} y_i \cdot \ell_i(x)$ , where  $\ell_i(x) = \prod_{j \in T, j \neq i} \frac{j-x}{j-i}$ .

For a set of  $t + 1$  points,  $T$ , we define  $\lambda_{i,T} = \ell_i(0) = \prod_{j \in T, j \neq i} \frac{j}{j-i}$ . Then,  $P(0) = \sum_{i \in T} y_i \cdot \lambda_{i,T}$ .

**Problem statement.** There are two sets of parties, the old group are the  $P_i$ 's and new group are the  $P'_i$ 's, as follows.

- Old group: There are  $n$  parties:  $P_i, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . The parties have a Shamir sharing of a secret  $x$ , namely, each  $P_i$  holds  $s_i$  such that there exists a degree- $t$  polynomial  $P$  with  $P(i) = s_i$  for all  $i$ , and  $P(0) = x$ .
- The group element  $X = x \cdot G$  is public, as well as all  $X_i$ 's, where  $X_i = s_i \cdot G$ . Let  $T$  be set of  $t + 1$  points, then  $X = \sum \lambda_{i,T} \cdot X_i = (\sum \lambda_{i,T} \cdot s_i) \cdot G = x \cdot G$ .
- New group: There are  $m$  parties  $P_i, i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$  who wish to obtain shares  $s'_i$  such that there exists a degree- $t'$  polynomial  $Q$  with  $Q(i) = s_i$  for all  $i$ , and  $Q(0) = x$ .

### Generic solution with semi-honest parties

1. Choose a committee of  $t + 1$  parties from the old group. Without loss of generality, let them be  $P_1, \dots, P_{t+1}$ .
2. Let  $\lambda_i^x, i \in \{1, \dots, t+1\}$ , be the Lagrange coefficients for computing  $P(x)$ , that is,  $P(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{t+1} \lambda_i^x \cdot s_i$ .
3. Each party  $P_i, i \in \{1, \dots, t+1\}$ , picks a random degree  $t'$  polynomial  $Q_i$ , such that  $Q_i(0) = s_i$ , and sends  $s'^j_i = Q_i(j)$  to party  $P'_j, j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ .
4. Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
 x = P(0) &= \sum_{i=1}^{t+1} \lambda_i^0 \cdot s_i = \sum_{i=1}^{t+1} \lambda_i^0 \cdot Q_i(0) = \sum_{i=1}^{t+1} \lambda_i^0 \cdot \left( \sum_{j \in M} \lambda_{j,M}^0 \cdot s'^j_i \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{t+1} \sum_{j \in M} \lambda_i^0 \cdot \lambda_{j,M}^0 \cdot s'^j_i \\
 &= \sum_{j \in M} \lambda_{j,M}^0 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{t+1} \lambda_i^0 \cdot s'^j_i
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $M \subset \{1, \dots, m\}$  is some set of size  $t' + 1$ , and  $\lambda_{j,M}^0$  is the Lagrange coefficient associated with  $P_j$  when evaluating  $Q_i(0)$  using the points of parties in  $M$ .

Thus, since  $s_i = Q_i(0)$  is linearly shared among  $P'_1, \dots, P'_m$ , each party  $P'_j$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ , computes its final share

$$s'_j = \sum_{i=1}^{t+1} \lambda_i^0 \cdot s'^j_i$$

The new shares  $s'_j$  are correct since for every subset  $M \subset \{1, \dots, m\}$  of size  $t' + 1$ , the below equation holds:

$$\sum_{j \in M} \lambda_{j,M}^0 \cdot s'_j = \sum_{j \in M} \lambda_{j,M}^0 \cdot \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t+1} \lambda_i^0 \cdot s'^j_i \right)$$

**Extending to malicious parties.** This requires each party  $P_1, \dots, P_{t+1}$  to generate  $Q_i$  as above (such that  $Q_i(0) = s_i$ ) and secret share  $s_i$  in a publicly verifiable manner. See here for PVSS: [eprint.iacr.org/2004/201.pdf](https://eprint.iacr.org/2004/201.pdf).

### (2/3) to (3/5) Parties Threshold Modification

1. Let the parties be.  $\{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$ . Let x coordinates of  $\{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$  be  $x_1, x_2, x_3$
2. Let the modified quorum for (3/5) be  $\{P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5\}$  parties. Let x coordinates of  $\{P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5\}$  be  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5$ . Here  $n=5$  and  $t'=3$
3. Choose a committee of 2 parties from the old group. Let them be  $\Delta = \{P_1, P_2\}$ .
4. Let x coordinates of  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  respectively
5. Each player  $P_1$  AND  $P_2$  does the following:
 

Selects a random polynomial  $g_1(x)$  and  $g_2(x)$  respectively of degree at most 2 ( $t' - 1$ ) such that  $g_1(0)=f(x_1)$   $g_2(0) = f(x_2)$

  - [i]  $P_1$  generates shares on  $g_1(x)$  for  $P_1 : g_{1,1} = g_1(x_1)$
  - [ii]  $P_1$  generates shares on  $g_1(x)$  for  $P_2 : g_{1,2} = g_1(x_2)$  and communicates  $g_{1,2}$  to  $P_2$ .  $P_1$  generates shares on  $g_1(x)$  for  $P_3 : g_{1,3} = g_1(x_3)$  and communicates  $g_{1,3}$  to  $P_3$  and so on it generates  $g_{1,4}$  for  $P_4$  and  $g_{1,5}$  for  $P_5$
  - [iii]  $P_2$  generates shares on  $g_2(x)$  for  $P_2 : g_{2,2} = g_2(x_2)$
  - [iv]  $P_2$  generates shares on  $g_2(x)$  for  $P_1 : g_{2,1} = g_2(x_1)$  and communicates  $g_{2,1}$  to  $P_1$ .  $P_2$  generates shares on  $g_2(x)$  for  $P_3 : g_{2,3} = g_2(x_3)$  and communicates  $g_{2,3}$  to  $P_3$  and so on it generates  $g_{2,4}$  for  $P_4$  and  $g_{2,5}$  for  $P_5$
6. Each player  $P_1, P_2$  does the following:
  - [i] Generates public constants  $\gamma_1^\Delta$  and  $\gamma_2^\Delta$  for  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  respectively:

$$\gamma_1^\Delta = \frac{x_2}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$\gamma_2^\Delta = \frac{x_1}{x_1 - x_2}$$

7. Each player  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  does the following:

- [i] Erases their old shares
- [ii]  $P_1$  computes his new shares

$$\Phi_1 = \gamma_1^\Delta \times g_{1,1} + \gamma_2^\Delta \times g_{2,1}$$

[iii]  $P_2$  computes his shares:

$$\Phi_2 = \gamma_1^\Delta \times g_{2,2} + \gamma_2^\Delta \times g_{1,2}$$

[iv]  $P_3$  computes his new share

$$\Phi_3 = \gamma_1^\Delta \times g_{1,3} + \gamma_2^\Delta \times g_{2,3}$$

[iv]  $P_4$  computes his new share

$$\Phi_3 = \gamma_1^\Delta \times g_{1,4} + \gamma_2^\Delta \times g_{2,4}$$

[v]  $P_5$  computes his new share

$$\Phi_3 = \gamma_1^\Delta \times g_{1,5} + \gamma_2^\Delta \times g_{2,5}$$

### (2/3) Parties Secret Recovery

1. The set  $\Delta'$  contains at least  $t'$  members.  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  recover the secret using Lagrange interpolation method

$$secret = (\gamma_1^{\Delta'} \times \Phi_1) + (\gamma_2^{\Delta'} \times \Phi_2) + (\gamma_3^{\Delta'} \times \Phi_3)$$

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## 2 Weighted Threshold SS

**Setting.** There are  $N$  parties:  $P_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ . Each party is associated with a weight; party  $P_i$  is associated with weight  $w^i \in \mathbb{N}$ . There is a threshold weight  $W \in \mathbb{N}$  and we assume that  $w^i < W$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ . The threshold weight  $W$  can be represented by an  $\ell$ -bit integer:  $W = W_{\ell-1}W_{\ell-2} \dots W_0$ . Similarly, the  $i$ -th party's weight can be represented by an  $\ell$ -bit integer  $w^i = w_{\ell-1}^i w_{\ell-2}^i \dots w_0^i$ .

Let  $B = \{i \in \{1, \dots, N\} \mid W_i = 1\}$  be the set of indices for which the threshold weight  $W$ 's bit representation is 1, and let  $|B|$  be this set's size.

Let  $C_j = \{i \in \{1, \dots, N\} \mid w_j^i = 1\}$  be the set of indices of parties  $P_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$  whose weight's  $j$ -th bit is 1, and let  $|C_j|$  be this set's size.

**Direction.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{F}$  be the secret, the dealer do as follows:

1. pick random  $x_i \in \mathbb{F}$  for all  $i \in B$  and set  $x_i = 0$  such that  $\sum_{i=0}^{\ell-1} x_i = x$ . That is, this is a  $|B|$ -out-of- $|B|$  sharing of  $x$ .
2. pick a random  $y_i \in \mathbb{F}$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, \ell - 1\}$
3. deal  $y_1$  using a 2-out-of- $|C_0|$  secret sharing and hand a share to each party  $P_i$  where  $i \in C_0$  (recall that  $C_0$  represent the set of parties who hold a weight with the 0-bit equal 1).
4. for  $i \in \{2, \dots, \ell - 1\}$ , generate a degree-1 polynomial, by interpolating points  $(\alpha_i, y_i), (\beta_i, y_{i-1})$ , deal  $y_i$  using a 2-out-of- $|C_{i-1}|$  sharing, and hand a share to each party  $P_i$  where  $i \in C_{i-1}$ .