Embedding Secure Multiparty Computations into C++



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What is Secure Multiparty Computations?

• What it is?

Problem

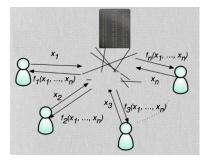


Figure: Source: http://www.cs.columbia.edu/~mariana/noncollude.htm

• Why is useful?



Related work

- Various variables for executing the programs
- Languages designed for these kind of problems
 - Wysteria
 - Fairplay
 - Ansi C.



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Generalize classes and functions

```
template <typename T>
bool greater(T a, T b) {
   return a > b ? true : false;
}
```



Templates and meta-programming

- Turing complete
- Discovered by accident

```
template <int n>
struct factorial {
enum { value = n * factorial < n - 1>::value };
};
template <>
struct factorial <0> {
enum { value = 1 };
};
```



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Basics of meta-programming

Variables

```
const int x = 2;
enum { y = 14 };
```

C++ Template Meta-programming

- Functions
 - Definition

```
template <typename x, int y>
struct doSomething{};
```

Implementation and specializations

```
template <int y>
struct doSomething <int>{
    static const int result = y*2;
};
template <int y>
struct doSomething <float >{
    static const float result = y*202;
};
```



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What was the plan?

Problem

- What we needed?
 - Needed compile time verification of the user code
- How can we do that?
 - Create a Domain Specific Language
- What about the boolean translation?
 - Can be handled during run time



Specification of the DSL

- Variables
 - SMCvalue [bool or int]
 - sharedSMCvalue [bool or int]
 - forSMCvalue [bool or int]
 - idSMCvalue [used only to store ids]
- Statements
 - Plus, Minus [in: int, out: int]
 - Greater, Lesser, And, Or...
 - Set
 - Sequence
 - If then else
 - For
 - Return



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Syntax of the DSL

- Based on the languages that we did in class
- It is a bit awkward for someone without template experience

```
typedef SMCvalue <int, 1> s1;
typedef SMCvalue <int, 2> s2;
If < Greater < s1, s2 > , Ret < Ip < s2 > > , Ret < Id < s2 > > >
```

```
typedef SMCvalue <int, 1> s1;
typedef SMCvalue <int, 2> s2;
typedef sharedSMCvalue <int, 1> sh1;
Seq <
    Set < sh1 , s1 > ,
    Tf <
         Greater < sh1, s2>,
         Ret < Id < s1 > >.
         Ret < Id < s2> >
    >
```



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```
typedef mySMCvalue <int, 1> s1;
typedef SMCvalue <int, 2> s2;
typedef sharedSMCvalue <int, 1> sh1;
s1 v1;
s2 v2;
v1.value = 2;
v1.ip = myip;
v2.ip = hisip;
typedef Seq<
    Set < sh1 , s1 > ,
    If <
         Greater < sh1, s2>,
         Ret < Id < s1 > >.
         Ret < Id < s2> >
    >
> func;
int idOfWinner = wrapper<func>(v1, v2);
```



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We need an Environment handler

```
template <typename Name, int Value, typename Env>
struct Binding {
    . . .
} ;
typedef Binding < int, 2,
           Binding < float, 3, EmptyEnv >> Env;
template < typename Name, int Value, typename Env>
struct EnvLookup <Name, Binding <Name, Value, Env>>
{ static const int res = Value; };
template < typename Name, typename Name2,
          int Value2, typename Env>
struct EnvLookup < Name, Binding < Name2, Value2, Env >> {
  static const int res=EnvLookup < Name, Env >:: res;
```



Implementation

We followed the left side first eval approach

```
template <typename Exp, typename Env, bool
   IsReturnLegal >
struct Eval {};
template <typename Expr1, typename Expr2>
struct Plus {};
template <typename Expr1, typename Expr2,
         typename Env, bool IsReturnLegal>
struct Eval < Plus < Expr1 , Expr2 > , Env , IsReturnLegal >
```



Errors

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During run-time we are certain that the code is correct

C++ Template Meta-programming

All Errors are generated during compile time!

```
SMC_lang.hpp:214:9: error: static assertion failed:
   After Id there must be an SMVvalue!
         static_assert(!std::is_same < Expr1, Expr1 > ::
             value, "After Id there must be an
             SMVvalue!");
```



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Real Error

```
In file included from main.cpp:7:0:
SMC_lang hpp: In instantiation of 'static constexpr decltype(auto) Eval<Ret<Id<
     Expr1> >, Env, true >:: result() [with Expr1 = Greater < SMC value < int, 1>,
     SMCvalue<int . 1> >: Env = Binding<SMCvalue<int . 1>, 1. Binding<SMCvalue<int
     . 2>. 2. EmptvEnv> >l':
SMC_lang.hpp:135:48: required from 'static constexpr decltype(auto) Eval<If<
     Cond. Then. Else >, Env, IsReturnLegal >::result() [with Cond = Greater<
     SMCvalue<int. 1>. SMCvalue<int. 2> >: Then = Ret<Id<Greater<SMCvalue<int.
     1>, SMCvalue<int, 1>>>>; Else = Ret<Id<SMCvalue<int, 2>>>; Env =
     Binding < SMC value < int , 1 > , 1 , Binding < SMC value < int , 2 > , 2 , Empty Env > ; bool
      IsReturnLegal = truel'
SMC_abstract.hpp:146:43: required from 'std::string wrapper(Args ...) [with
     Expr = If < Greater < SMCvalue < int , 1>, SMCvalue < int , 2> >, Ret < Id < Greater <
     SMCvalue < int. 1 > . SMCvalue < int. 1 > > > . Ret < Id < SMCvalue < int. 2 > > > :
     Args = \{SMCvalue < int, 1>, SMCvalue < int, 2>\}; std::string = std::
     basic_string < char > ]'
main.cpp:44:28:
                  required from here
SMC_lang.hpp:214:9: error: static assertion failed: After Id there must be an
     SMV value!
         static_assert(!std::is_same<Expr1,Expr1>::value, "After Id there must
              be an SMVvalue!"):
```



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Conclusion

- C++ meta-programming is very strange and difficult to learn
- You can use meta-programming for anything
- Maybe not the best approach

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- Future work
 - Add the boolean translation
 - Find a way to create better errors



Questions?



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