

# EVE: An Efficient Implementation of Homomorphic Encryption on Integer Vectors

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# Introduction to Homomorphic Encryption

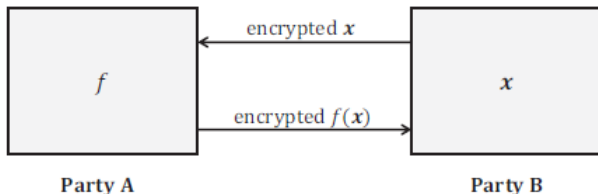


Figure: Most common usage of homomorphic encryption schemes

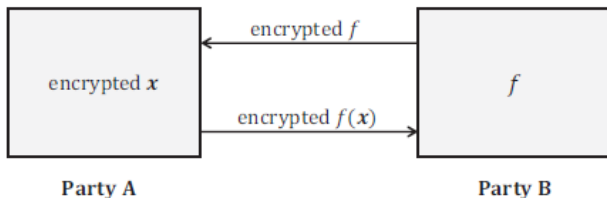


Figure: EVE, the homomorphic encryption scheme considered in our project

# Overview of EVE: Supported Operations

## Fundamental Operations:

- Encrypt:  $\mathbf{c} = E_S(\mathbf{x})$
- Decrypt:  $\mathbf{x} = D_S(\mathbf{c})$
- Switching secret keys from  $S$  to  $S'$

## Supported Operations on Integer Vectors:

- Addition of two vectors:  $\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2$
- Linear transformation:  $G\mathbf{x}$
- Weighted inner product of two vectors:  $\mathbf{x}_1^T H \mathbf{x}_2$

Can compose these operations to support arbitrary integer polynomials

# Details of Fundamental Operations

Encrypt  $\mathbf{x}$  with secret key  $S$ :

- Choose  $\mathbf{c}$  such that  $S\mathbf{c} = w\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}$

Decrypt  $\mathbf{c}$  with  $S$ :

- $\mathbf{x} = \left\lceil \frac{S\mathbf{c}}{w} \right\rceil$

Key switching from  $S$  to  $S' = [I, T]$ :

- Want  $S'\mathbf{c}' = S\mathbf{c}$
- Want key-switch matrix  $M$  such that  $S'M = S + E$
- $M = \begin{pmatrix} -TA + S + E \\ A \end{pmatrix}$  for random matrix  $A$ , random noise matrix  $E$
- Then  $\mathbf{c}' = M\mathbf{c}$

# Details of the Three Supported Operations

Addition:  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2$ :

- Let  $\mathbf{c}' = \mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2$
- So  $S\mathbf{c}' = w(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2) + (\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2)$

Linear Transformation:  $\mathbf{x}' = G\mathbf{x}$

- Note  $GS\mathbf{c} = wG\mathbf{x} + G\mathbf{e}$
- Hence  $E_S(\mathbf{x}) = E_{GS}(G\mathbf{x})$
- So  $\mathbf{c}' = \mathbf{c}$  and decrypt with  $S' = GS$

# Details of the Three Supported Operations (con'd)

Weighted Inner Product:  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x}_1^T H \mathbf{x}_2$

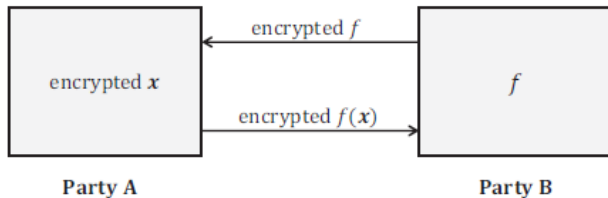
- Let  $S' = \text{vec}(S^T H S)^T$
- Let  $\mathbf{c}' = \left\lceil \frac{\text{vec}(\mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{c}_2^T)}{w} \right\rceil$
- Note  $(S \mathbf{c}_1)^T H (S \mathbf{c}_2) = w^2 (\mathbf{x}_1^T H \mathbf{x}_2) + (w \mathbf{x}_1^T H \mathbf{e}_2 + w \mathbf{e}_1^T H \mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{e}_1^T H \mathbf{e}_2)$
- So  $S' \mathbf{c}' = w (\mathbf{x}_1^T H \mathbf{x}_2) + \mathbf{e}'$

# Secrecy in the Scheme

- Clients (Party B) calculate key-switch matrices based on operation  $f$
- Server (Party A) performs the operation without knowing  $f$
- Relies on key-switch matrices being indistinguishable from random

## Learning with Error Problem (LWE)

Given  $S$  and  $M$ , solving  $S'M = S + E$  to find  $S'$  is hard



# Applications

- In each application, we have:
  - ▶ Server with data (can be encrypted with  $S$ , known to the client)
  - ▶ Client that wants to learn a function of the data
- Effective when server has a lot of data, and results are small



# Applications

- Search
  - ▶ Server has (encrypted) feature vectors for our data
  - ▶ Client wants to score each item to rank them
- Classification
  - ▶ Can run any polynomial classifier on the server's data (e.g. naive bayes, SVMs with polynomial kernels)
- Feature extraction
  - ▶ We can generalize classification to give a low-dimensional representation of data vectors, which will conserve bandwidth over simply querying all the files.

- We implemented the scheme, and two applications:
  - ▶ Private search on encrypted data  
(using TF-IDF relevance on common words)
  - ▶ Spam classification (using a naive-bayes model)
- Server has encrypted word counts of 3500 common words for 200 Enron emails
- Server can't learn our queries, or even distinguish between each type

# Live Demo!



# Conclusions

- In our demo, scheme is slow due mainly to our lack of optimization.
- No overhead in addition
- Multiplicative overhead in linear transformations and inner products equal to the number of bits involved.
  - ▶ (Note as given, inner products is slow, but we can combine this with a linear transformation step to reduce the work.)
- This scheme compares well to fully homomorphic encryption by limiting scope of computation.
  - ▶ Benchmarks give that HELib achieves 500 multiplications per second for small integers, orders of magnitude worse than our slowdown.