

# Laconic Function Evaluation, Functional Encryption and Obfuscation for RAMs with Sublinear Computation

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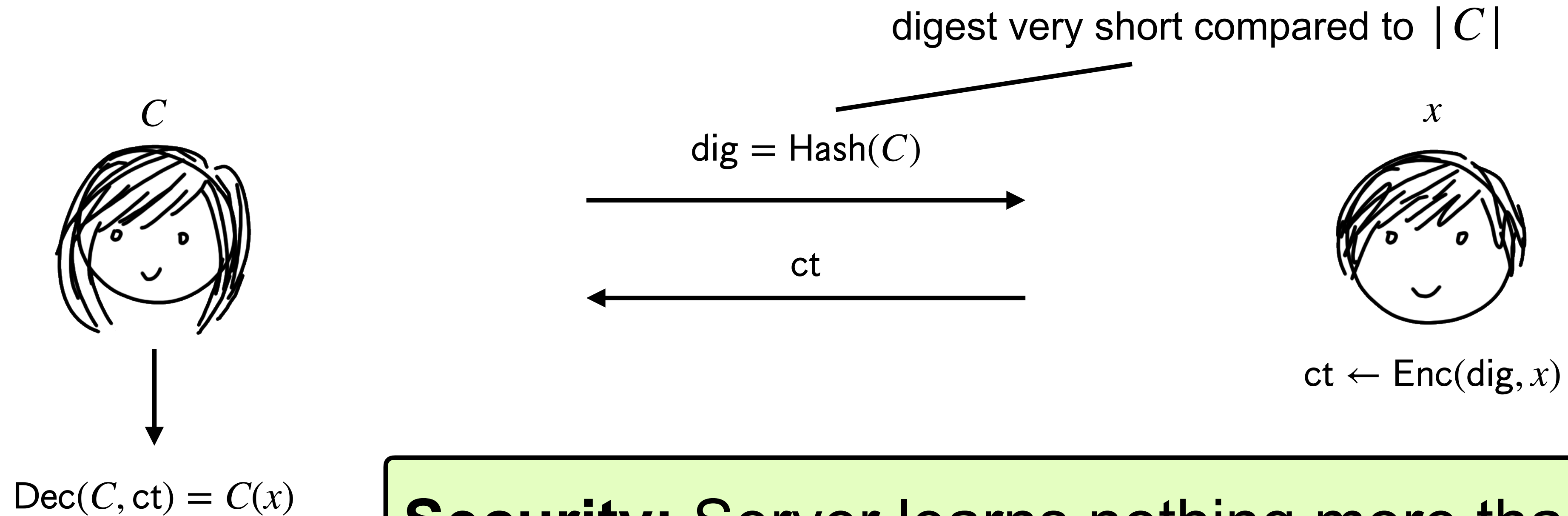
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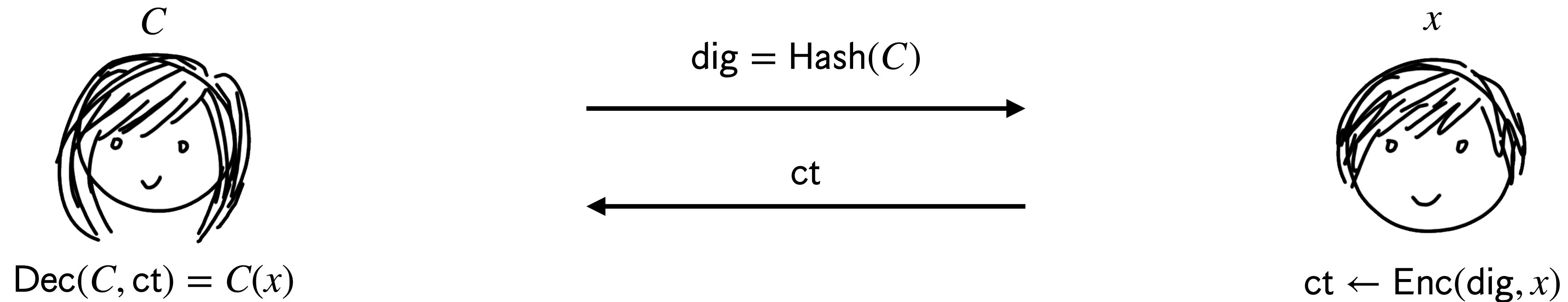
\* in CRS model, CRS hidden



**Security:** Server learns nothing more than  $C(x)$

**Like FHE:** 2-round 2PC where Server does the computational work  
**But “flipped”:** Server learns the output (instead of Client)

# Laconic Function Evaluation (LFE)



## Prior work:

- [Quach-Wee-Wichs'17]: LFE for circuits from LWE
- [Döttling-Gajland-Malavolta'23]: LFE for TMs from iO + SSB

**Problem:** Server computation is at least linear in inputs!

\*suppressing  $\text{poly}(\lambda)$  and  
polylog factors

# LFE for RAMs

Some fixed RAM program  
(e.g. universal)

Prep run time:  $|y|^{1+\varepsilon}$

**Goal:** output RAM computation  $P(x, y)$   
 $P(x, y)$  has RAM runtime  $T$

$y \xrightarrow{\text{Prep}} \tilde{y}$



$\text{Dec}(\tilde{y}, \text{ct}) = P(x, y)$

Dec run time:  $T$

$\text{dig} = \text{Hash}(\tilde{y})$

$\text{ct}$

$x$



Enc run time:  $|x| + \text{X}$

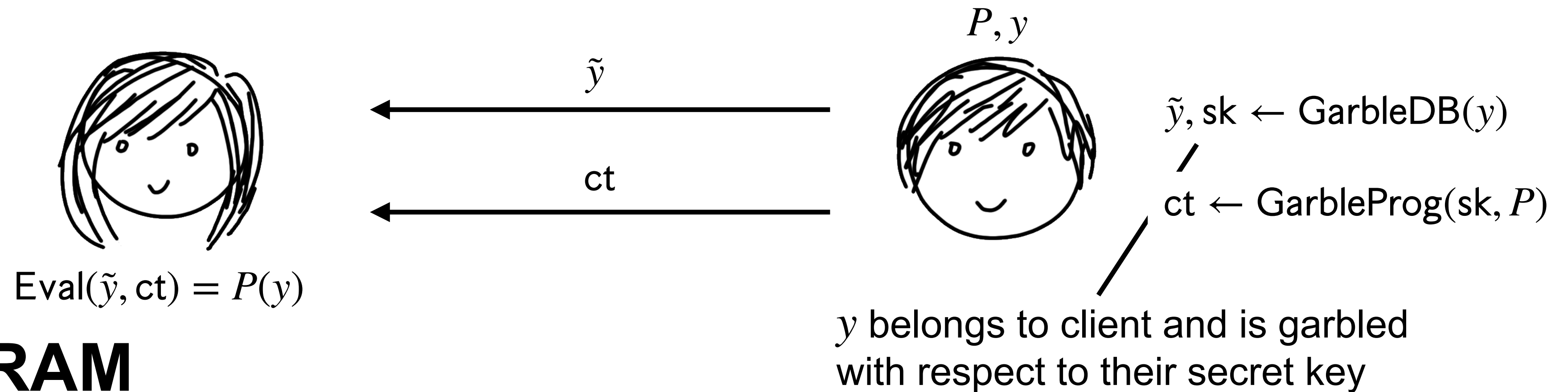
$\text{ct} \leftarrow \text{Enc}(\text{dig}, x)$

**Main Result:** We build LFE for RAMs assuming RingLWE

Additionally assuming iO, get Enc run time just  $|x|$

**Main challenge:** Privately accessing the public database  $y$

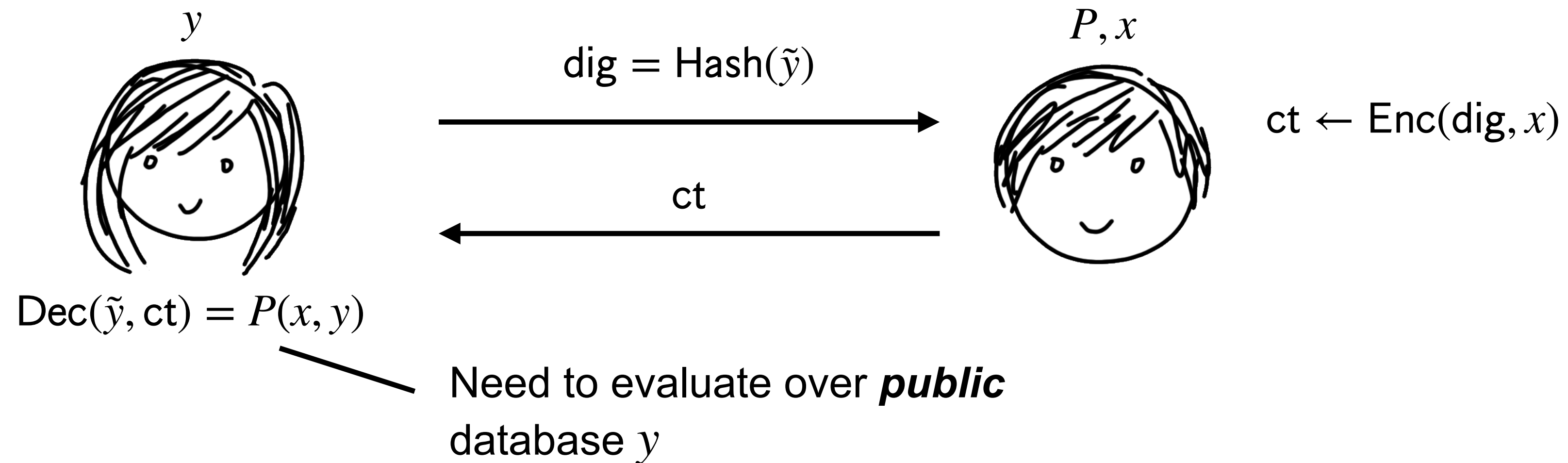
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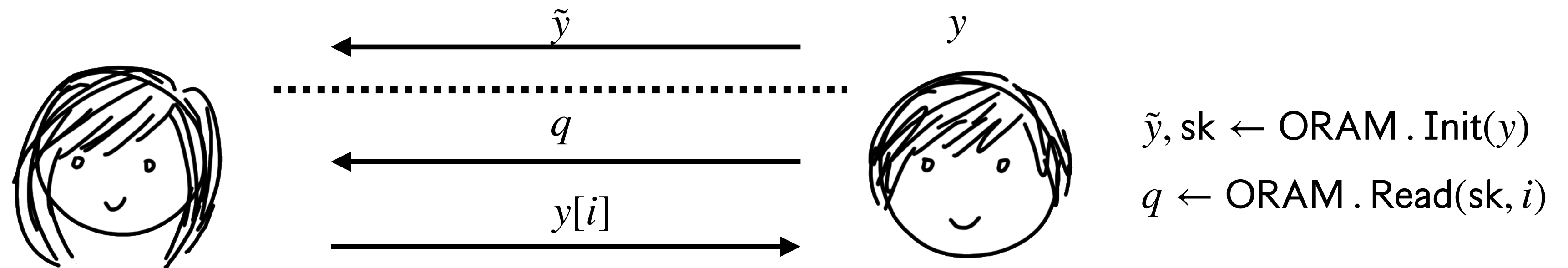
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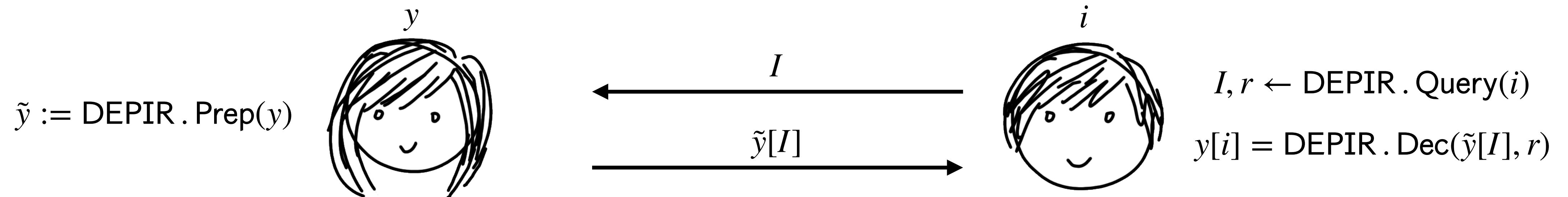


# DEPIR vs ORAM



**ORAM** — Private database, requires client secret key

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**DEPIR** — Public database, public deterministic preprocessing



**Prior Work:** [Lin-M-Wichs'23] build DEPIR from RingLWE



# Construction template

We follow the general template for constructing Garbled RAM

1. Construct “UMA” secure version
  - Security only protects *internal state* not the *memory access pattern*

**For LFE:** Crucially need UMA version to allow public database

2. Upgrade to full security
  - Protect access pattern with ORAM + **DEPIR**

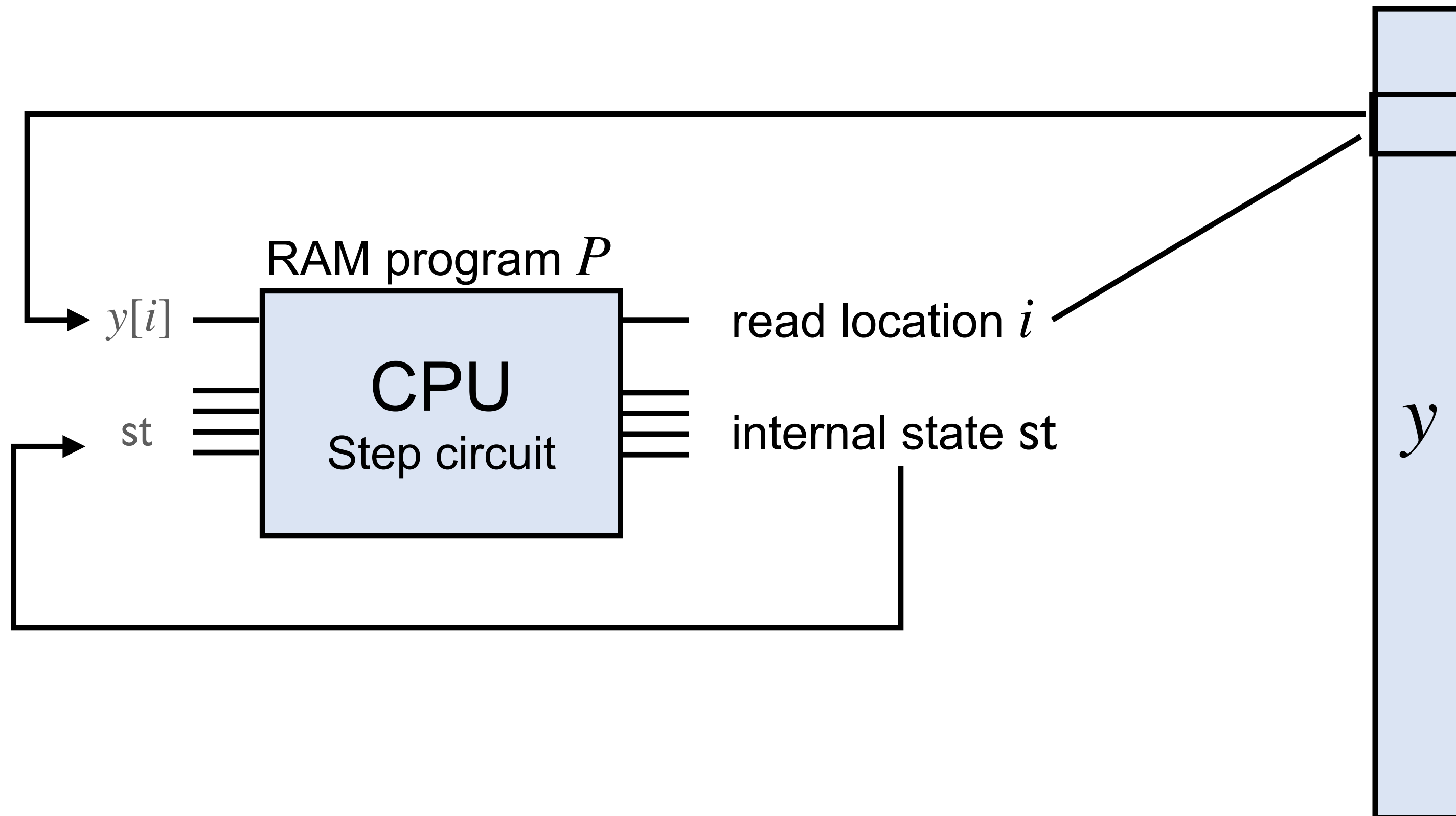
3. For strong efficiency: Use iO to obfuscate the client’s encryption procedure and offload to server

Requires careful argument and special ORAM construction

# UMA secure RAM-LFE

RAM-NISC from [Cho-Döttling-Garg-Gupta-Miao-Polychroniadou'17]

**Building blocks:** Laconic Oblivious Transfer + Garbled circuits

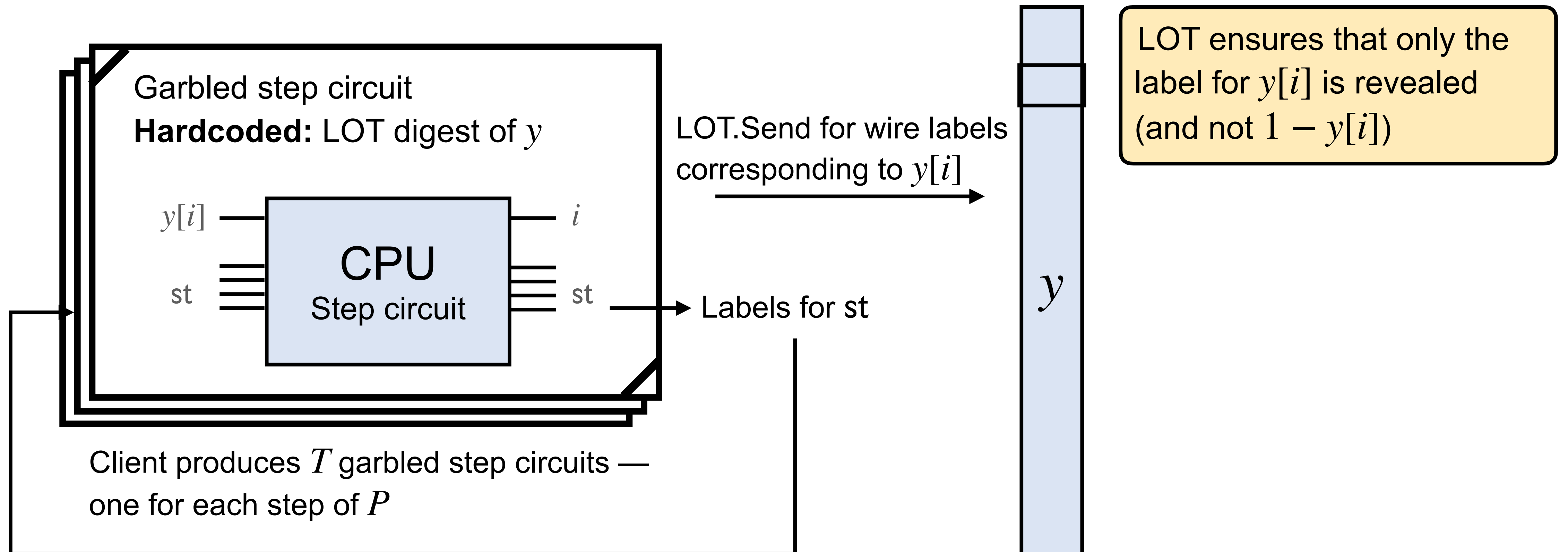




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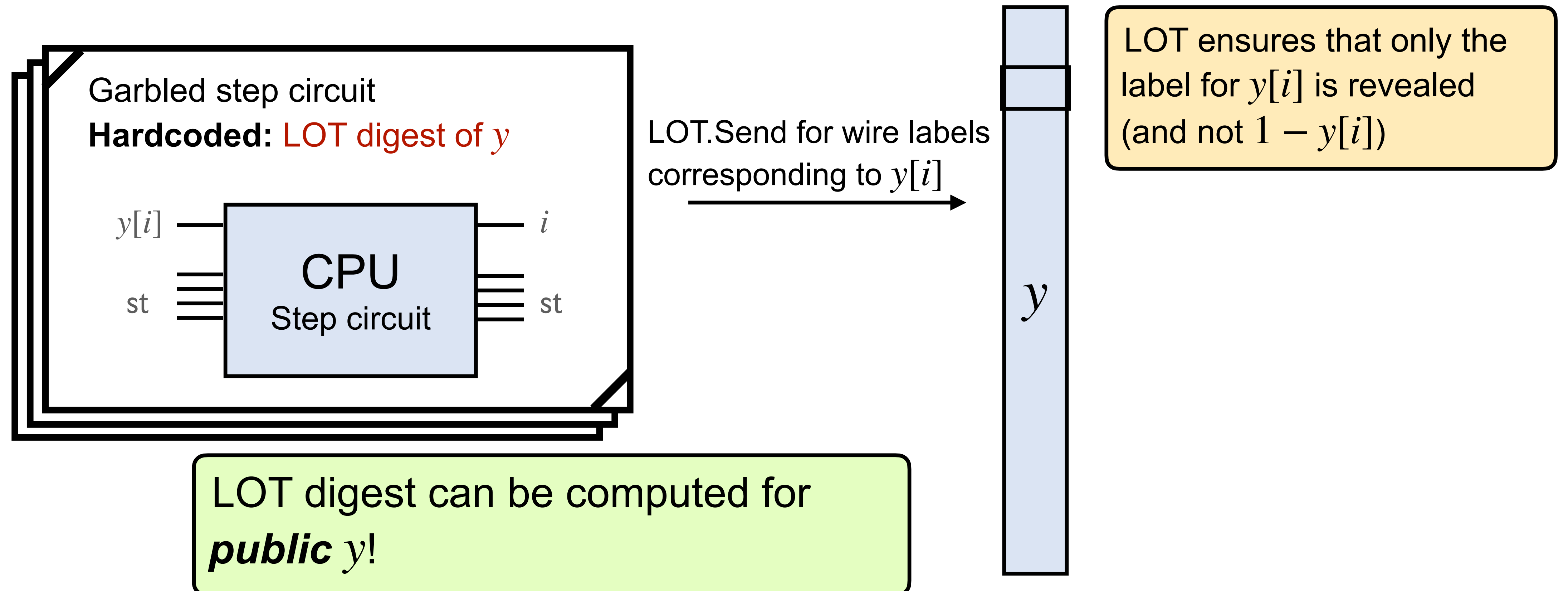
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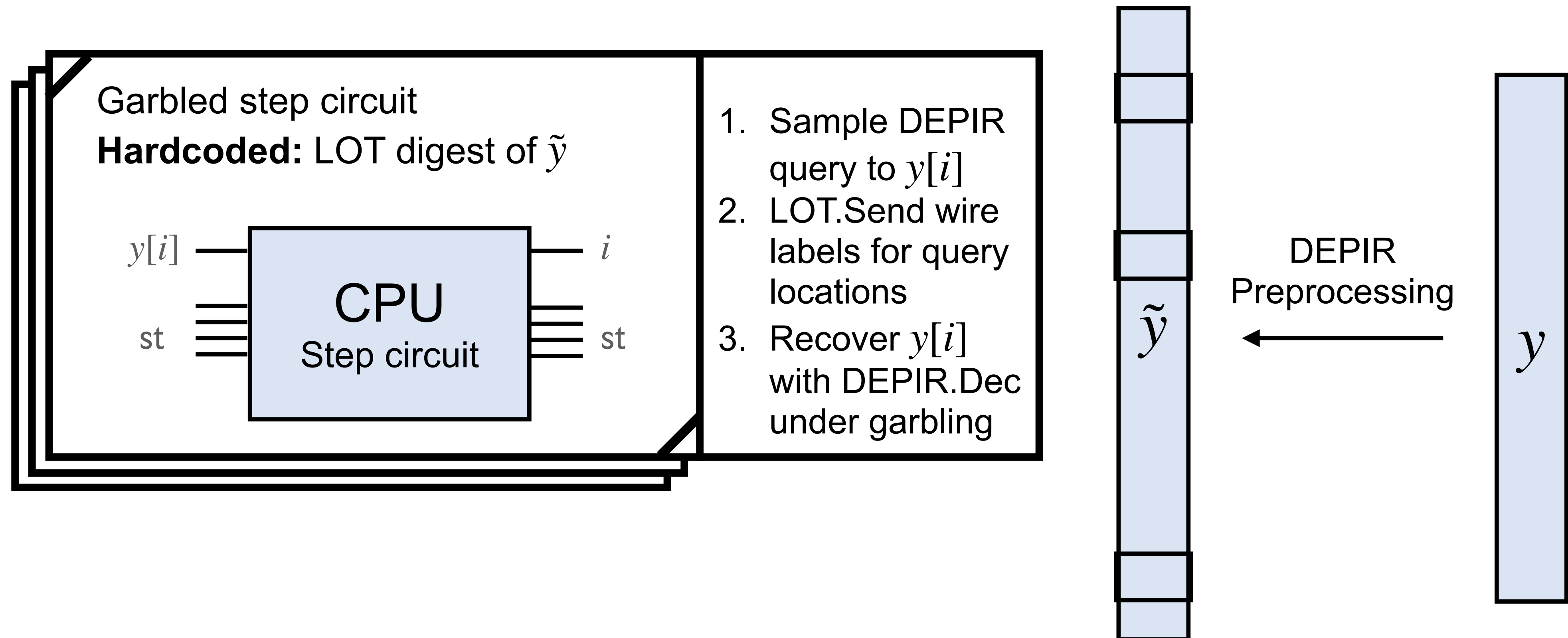
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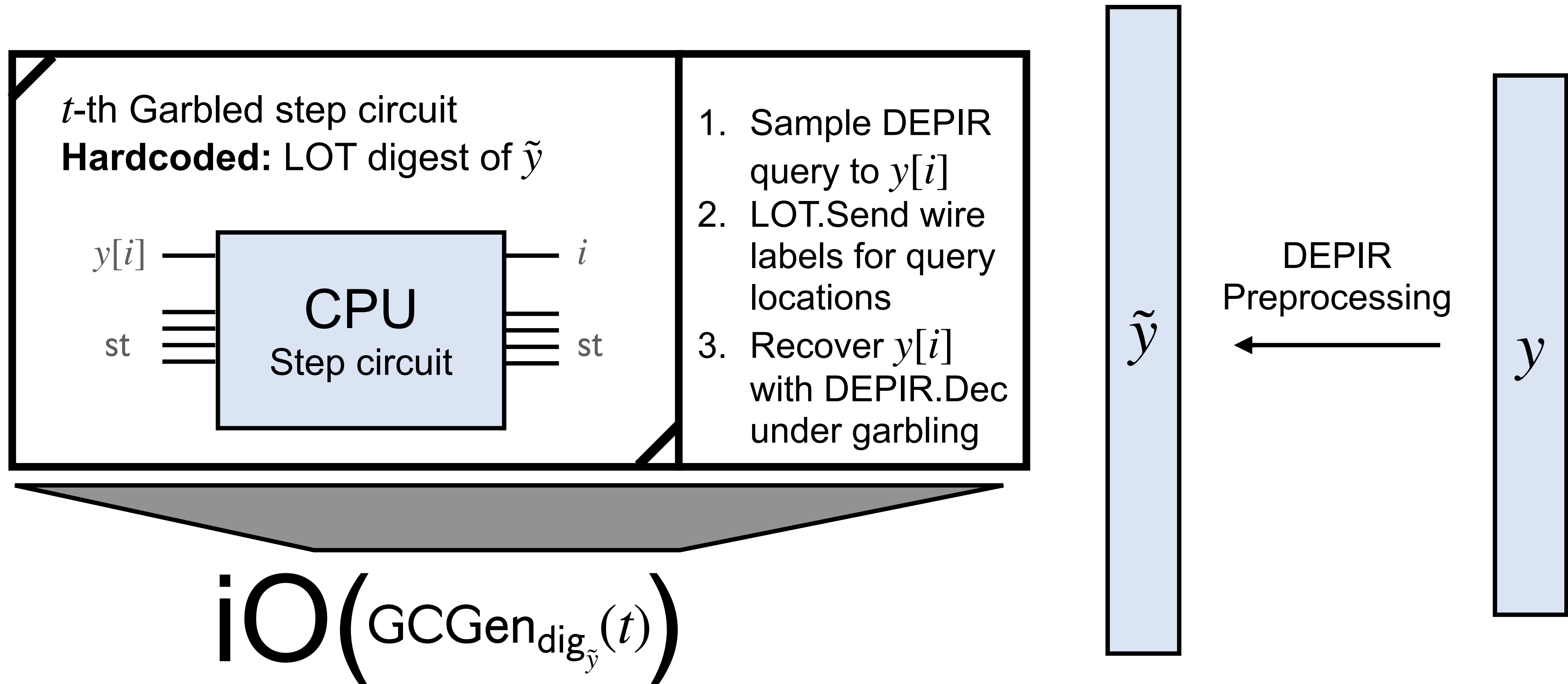


# Full security with DEPIR

+ ORAM for the client's database  $x$



# Strong Efficiency with iO



# Additional Results

**Result:** We build (multi-key) functional encryption for RAMs

- Each secret key associated to large database  $y$
- Decryption recovers  $P(x, y)$  in sublinear time in  $|x|, |y|$

Assumptions: FE for circuits + RingLWE

**Prior work:** [ACFQ'22] only allows short secret keys

**Result:** We build iO for RAMs

- Given  $(P, y)$ , obfuscate the program  $P(\cdot, y)$
- Evaluation can be sublinear in  $|y|$

Assumptions: iO for circuits + RingLWE

**Prior work:** [BCGHJLPTV'18] doesn't allow sublinear runtime

# Thank you!

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