

### **Lecture: IT-Security**

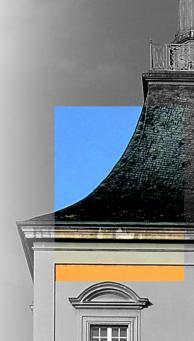
Anonymization & Secure Multi-Party-Computation

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### **About me**

2013-2017 Bachelor Computer Science in Bonn 2017-2020 Master Computer Science in Bonn 2016-2020 Tutor "Logik und diskrete Strukturen" Tutor .. Reaktive Sicherheir Tutor "IT-Sicherheit" Since 2020 Researcher WG IT-Security Project "WACHMANN" Project "BNTrAlnee" Project "DARIA" Project "PEKI"



**Definition** The right of individuals to protect their personal lifes & matters from the outside world and to determine which information about itself should be known to others

(Westin & Kasem-Madani)



**Definition** Any information relating to an identified or identifiable (Name, Address, ...) natural person



### Principles of personal data processing

- Lawfulness, fairness and transparency
- Purpose limitation
- Data minimization
- Accuracy of processed data
- Storage limitation
- Integrity and confidentiality

# Attribute Types



- Identify an in individual directly
- Examples
  - Name
  - Address
  - Identity number



### UNIVERSITÄT BONN Quasi-Identifiers

- Population U
- Table T with attributes  $A_i$ :  $T(A_1,...,A_n)$
- Forward function:  $f_v:U\to T$
- Backward funcion:  $f_r: T \to U'$ ,  $U' \subseteq U$
- **Definition**

A Quasi-Identifier  $Q_T$  is a subset of attributes  $(A_i,...,A_k)\subseteq (A_1,...,A_n)$ , which are sufficient to identify an

individual:  $f_r(f_v(p_i[Q_T])) = p_i$ 



### UNIVERSITÄT BONN Sensitive Attributes

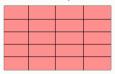
- Attributes whose values are considered sensitive somehow and are worth to be protected
- Examples:
  - Salary
  - Disease
  - ...

**Privacy Threats** 



### Membership disclosure

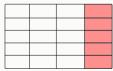
- The attacker gains information about whether data concerning an individual is contained in a data set
- Means not necessarily leakage of more information (e.g. sensitive attributes)
- Threat relies on leakage of meta information
  - E.g. data set is about cancer patients





#### Attribute disclosure

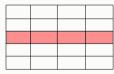
- Leakage of sensitive attributes
- May cause discomfort or harm to affected individuals
  - Illnesses or political convictions
  - Attribute disclosure is possible without matching an individual to a record (We will see this later)





### UNIVERSITÄT BONN Identity disclosure

- The attacker is able to match an individual to a record of the data set
- Result: Leakage of all attribute values





### **Anonymization: Attacker Models**

#### Prosecutor

- Intends to gain information about a specific individual
- Assumption: Knows that the individual is contained in the dataset

#### Journalist

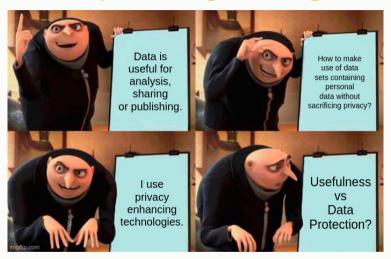
- Intends to gain information about a specific individual
- Assumption: No background knowledge whether the individual is contained in the dataset

#### Marketer

- Intends to re-identify a large number of individuals
- Constraint: An Attack is only considered successful if a larger fraction of the individuals is re-identified



### Privacy enhancing technologies





### **Pseudonymization**

- Personal data may no longer be attributed to individuals
  - without the use of additional information
  - which must be kept separately
  - where technical or organizational measures ensure that no reidentification is possible
- Effort for reidentification is relatively high

- "information which does not relate to an identified or identifiable natural person"
- "personal data rendered anonymous in such a manner that the data subject is not or no longer identifiable"
- Effort for reidentification is excessively high
- Anonymous data is not personal data anymore, thus the GDPR needs not to be accounted

**Anonymization** 

## **Anonymization**

Anonymization techniques



### **Masking Methods**

- Perturbative Methods
- Non-Perturbative Methods
- Synthetic data



### **Perturbative Methods**

- Alter the attribute values in a way that the new data set may contain erroneous information
- E.g. add noise following a normal distribution
- Age = 23, Noise =  $4 \rightarrow$  Age = 27



### Non-Perturbative Methods

- Replace attribute values with less specific than incorrect values
- Detail reduction
- E.g. Interval, statistical values (mean, ...)
- Age =  $23 \rightarrow Age = [20-25]$



- Replace attribute values by artificially created values
- May be based on a model of the real data



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### **Perturbative: Microaggregation**

- Replace a group of values with a summary statistic, e.g. mean
- Clustering possible (replace values by centroid)
- Univariate: Microaggregation per attribute (no k-anonymity ensured)
- Multivariate: Microaggregation for multiple (all) attributes at once
  - Ensures k-anonymity for unpartitioned data if all attributes were considered in the process
- For numerical data types



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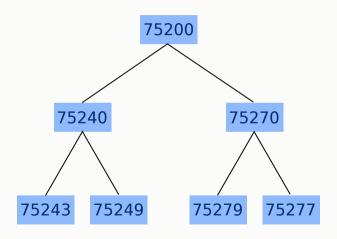


### Non-Perturbative: Generalization

- In the original table, every attribute value is as specific as possible
  - Values are called to be in the ground domain
- Generalizing attribute values means making them less specific
- Generalization hierarchies may be defined
- Global vs local recoding
  - Global recoding: All occurrences of a value are replaced by the same generalized value
  - Local recoding: Values are replaced by generalizations based on their respective subset they belong to



### UNIVERSITÄT BONN Generalization hierarchy





### **Non-Perturbative: Suppression**

- Remove data completely from the table
- May be used to adapt the necessary level of generalization
- Outliers may be removed if they would cause a very high generalization level

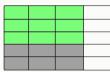
## **Anonymization**

Anonymization - Quality criteria



**Definition** In a released dataset, every unique combination of values of quasi-identifiers must occur for at least k individuals

These groups of at least k entries are called equivalence classes





### **Question** How to turn this dataset k-anonymous?

Name	Gender	Age	Zip Code	Illness
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- Is this the end of privacy breaks?
- Unfortunately no



### k-Anonymity: Unsorted Matching Attack

- Entries in published datasets have an order
- Different published k-anonymous versions of the original table may be linked
- The linked (combined) table may destroy the k-anonymity
- Solution: Mix the entries of a table before publishment



# k-Anonymity: Unsorted Matching Attack

Gende	er Zip Code	Gender	Zip Code	Gender	Zip Code
m	63455	*	63455	m	634**
d	63455	*	63455	d	634**
m	63439	*	63439	m	634**
d	63439	*	63439	d	634**
f	63455	*	63455	f	634**
f	63439	*	63439	f	634**

Original table

**Publication one** 

**Publication two** 

- Previous attack: Only quasi-identifiers in table
- Real world: More attributes than quasi-identifiers
- Every published table may reveal additional information, even when fulfilling k-anonymity
- The linked (combined) table may destroy the k-anonymity
- ${\color{red} \bullet}$  Solution: Consider all attributes of a published table T as a quasi-identifier or base publishments on T



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 $T_2$ 



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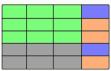
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Combined table



**Definition:** An equivalence class is said to fulfill l-diversity if at least l "well-represented"values for each sensitive attribute occur in it.

A table is said to meet the l-diversity requirement if all its equivalence classes are l-diverse.





# l-Diversity: "Well-represented"?

- Distinct *l*-diversity
- Entropy *l*-diversity
- Recursive (c, l)-diversity



## UNIVERSITÄT BONN Distinct l-diversity

For distinct l-diversity "well-represented" means that there are at least l different values for a sensitive attribute in each equivalence class.



## UNIVERSITÄT BONN Entropy l-diversity

• Entropy of an equvalence class E is defined as

$$Entropy(E) = -\sum_{s \in S} p(E, s)log(p(E, s))$$

- S: Domain of sensitive attribute
- p(E,s): fraction of records in E with sensitive attribute s
- To fulfill the "well-represented" property, each equivalence class must have  $Entropy(E) \ge log(l)$



## UNIVERSITÄT BONN Recursive (c,l)-diversity

- Most frequent value should not occur too often
- Less frequent values should not occur too rarely
- (c, l)-diversity(E) is fulfilled if the following inequality holds

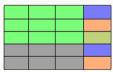
$$r_1 < c(r_l, r_{l+1}, ..., r_m)$$

- m: number of values in an equivalence class
- $r_i, 1 \leq r_i \leq m$  number of occurences of the ith most frequent value in E
- (c,l)-diversity holds for the whole table if it holds for all its equivalence classes



**Definition:** An equivalence class is said to fulfill t-closeness if the distributions of sensitive attributes in this class and the whole table differ by at least t.

A table is said to meet the t-closeness requirement if all its equivalence classes are t-close.





#### **Beyond** *t*-Closeness

- *k*-map
- Average Risk
- Population Uniqueness
- Sample Uniqueness
- $\delta$ -disclosure privacy
- $\beta$ -likeness
- $\beta$ -prensence
- Profitability
- Differential privacy

# Secure Multiparty Computation



#### UNIVERSITÄT BONN Millionaire's Problem







#### Millionaire's Problem

2 millionaires



- Question: Who is richer?
- Constraint: No additional information about their wealth should be leaked



# Secure Multiparty Computation (MPC)

- m parties  $P_i$  would like to compute a joint function  $f(x_1, x_2, ..., x_m)$
- $P_i$  knows its own value  $x_i$
- Goal: Jointly compute the function by communicating among each other without learning private information of other parties
- Secure Two-Party Computation (2PC): m=2



#### Millionaire's Problem: Yao's solution

- Alice has a millions & Bob has b millions
- -1 < a, b < 10
- M: Set of all non-negative integers
- $Q_N$ : Set of all 1-1 onto functions from M to M
- ullet  $E_a$ : Public key of Alice, generated by choosing a random element from  $Q_N$
- Protocol for deciding whether a < b?</p>



#### Millionaire's Problem: Yao's solution





- Pick a random N-bit Integer x
- $k = E_a(x)$

$$y_u = D_a(k-b+u), u = 1, 2, ..., 10$$

- p= random prime of  $\frac{N}{2}$  bits
- - If all  $z_u$  differ by at least 2 break
  - Else start again with another p

$$m_i=z_1,z_2,...,z_a,z_a+1,z_{a+1}+1,...z_{10}+1$$
 , p, all numbers are mod  $p$ 

k - b + 1

- If  $m_b = x \bmod p$ ,  $a \ge b$
- Else a < b



## Millionaire's Problem: Yao's solution

- Specially fitted solution
- Solutions for other MPC problems?
- Flexibility?



#### UNIVERSITÄT BONN Attacker Models

#### Semi-honest

- Outputs, computations and sent messages are as given by the original protocol
- May use its own & received knowledge to compute more than required
- Tries to infer more knowledge than it should gain
- ⇒Violates mainly privacy constraints

#### Malicious

- May arbitrarily deviate from the given protocol
- May violate privacy constraints & alter the outcome of the protocol



# UNIVERSITÄT BONN 1-out-of-2 Oblivious transfer

- Alice owns two secret messages  $M_1, M_2$
- Bob should receive exactly one, either  $M_1$  or  $M_2$  such that
- Alice does not know which message  $M_i$  Bob received
- 1-out-of-2 Oblivious transfer is denoted as  $OT_2^1$
- Further protocols for  $OT_n^1$  and  $OT_n^k$  exist



# UNIVERSITÄT BONN $OT_2^1$ protocol based on RSA

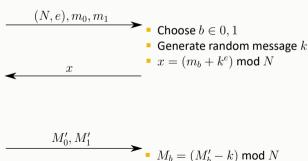




#### 

 Generate two random messages m<sub>0</sub>, m<sub>1</sub>

•  $k_0 = (x - m_0)^d \mod N$ •  $k_1 = (x - m_1)^d \mod N$ •  $M_0' = (M_0 + k_0) \mod N$ •  $M_1' = (M_1 + k_1) \mod N$ 



# **Secure Multiparty Computation**

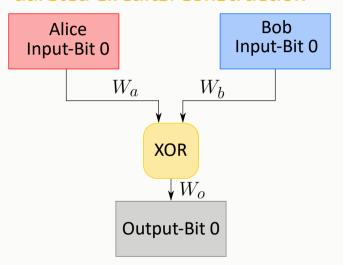
**Garbled Circuits** 



- 2 parties: Alice & Bob (called Garbler & Evaluator)
- Would like to compute a shared function
- With secret inputs each
- Model the function as boolean circuit
- ~> Gates connected by wires
- ~ Circuit is mutually known

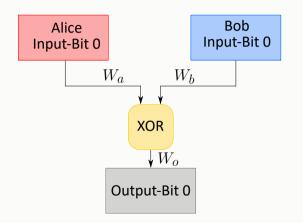


#### **Garbled Circuits: Construction**





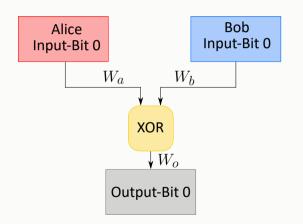
#### **Garbled Circuits: Truth table**



$W_a$	$W_b$	$W_o$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0



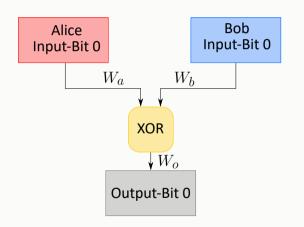
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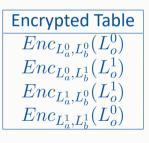


$W_a$	$W_b$	$W_o$
$L_a^0$	$L_b^0$	$L_o^0$
$L_a^0$	$L_b^1$	$L_o^1$
$L_a^{\widetilde{1}}$	$L_b^{0}$	$L_o^1$
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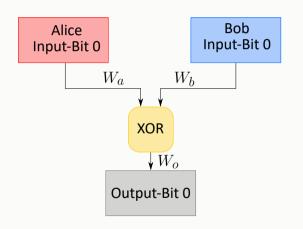
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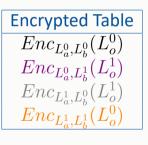






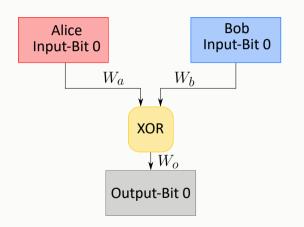
#### **Garbled Circuits: Encryption**







#### **Garbled Circuits: Garbling**



#### **Garbled Table**

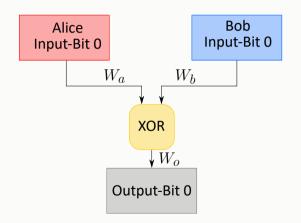
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 $Enc_{L_a^1,L_b^1}(L_o^0)$ 

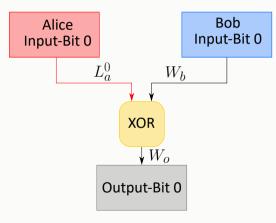
 $Enc_{L_{a}^{0},L_{b}^{0}}(L_{o}^{1})$   $Enc_{L_{a}^{0},L_{b}^{0}}(L_{o}^{0})$ 

- Construct the function as a boolean circuit.
- Construct the truth tables for each gate
- Generate a label for each possible state at each wire
- Encrypt the output-wire labels with the input-wire labels
- Garble the encrypted tables
- Share the garbled circuit & the Garbler's input labels with the Evaluator



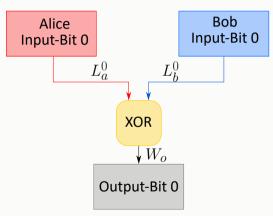






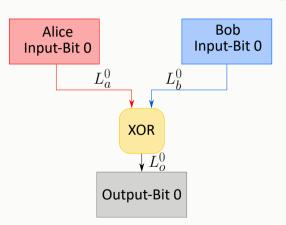
• Bob knows the input label of Alice  $L_a^0$  but not the real value as it is randomly generated





 Bob gets to know the label of its own input from Alice via oblivious transfer





Bob decrypts the garbled table from top to bottom (whereby incorrect decryptions may be detected) until he has decrypted the correct row and gets to know the resulting label

Garbled Table
$Enc_{L_{a}^{1},L_{b}^{0}}(L_{o}^{1})$
$Enc_{L_{a}^{1},L_{b}^{1}}(L_{o}^{0})$
$Enc_{L_{a}^{0},L_{b}^{1}}(L_{o}^{1})$
$Enc_{L_{a}^{0},L_{b}^{0}}(L_{o}^{0})$



#### **Garbled Circuits: Results**

- The result can either be
  - Taken as an input into another gate or
  - Taken as an output bit of the circuit
- Bob shares the output bits with Alice who knows the assignment to the real values
- As specified by the semi-honest model, Alice shares the result with Bob

## **Secure Multiparty Computation**

**Performance Optimizations** 



	Rows			$\mathit{Enc} ext{-calls}$							
Technique		NOWS		G	iarble	Εv	valuator				
	AND	XOR	NOT	AND	XOR	NOT	AND	XOR	NOT		
classical	4	4	2	4	4	2	4	4	2		



#### **Point & Permute**

- Problem: In the worst case, the correct label can be found in the last row of the garbled table
- Inefficient due to up to 3 useless decryption operations
- How to make the decryption process more efficient?
- ~> Point & Permute



#### **Point & Permute**

- For each Wire  ${\cal W}_w$  two labels will be generated:  $L^0_w$  &  $L^1_w$
- In point & permute the labels are genarated as follows  $L_w^{0,s_w^0}$  &  $L_w^{1,s_w^1}$
- $s_w^0 \in \{0,1\}$  is called the sorting bit & is chosen randomly
- $s_w^1 = s_w^0 \oplus 1$
- Instead of shuffling the table it will be sorted by the random bits
- Bob may immediately find the correct line to decrypt
- No security loss as the sorting bit is independent of a real value



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point-and-permute	4	4	2	4	4	2	1	1	1	



#### **Garbled Row Reduction**

- Based on point & permute
- Top row of a garbled table is known as it is sorted by the sorting bits
- Choose the output label in the top row such that it results in a zero-bitstring with length  ${\cal N}$
- As the top row of the resulting garbled table is known to be 0 it does not need to be transmitted to Bob
- Transmitted table size is reduced by 1 for each gate



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$GRR_3$	3	3	1	4	4	2	1	1	1	

- Altered generation of wire labels
- XOR gates are evaluated without a garbled table (for free)
- $L_a^0, L_b^0, R \in_R \{0, 1\}^N$
- $L_o^0 = L_a^0 \oplus L_b^0$
- $L_i^1 = L_i^0 \oplus R \forall i \in \{a, b, o\}$

#### Free-XOR: Proof

• 
$$L_o^0 = L_a^0 \oplus L_b^0 = (L_a^0 \oplus R) \oplus (L_b^0 \oplus R) = L_a^1 \oplus L_b^1$$

• 
$$L_o^1 = L_o^0 \oplus R = L_a^0 \oplus (L_b^0 \oplus R) = L_a^0 \oplus L_b^1 = (L_a^0 \oplus R) \oplus L_b^0 = L_a^1 \oplus L_b^0$$



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free-XOR	4	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	
GRR <sub>3</sub> + free-XOR	3	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	

# **Secure Multiparty Computation**

Implementation



- Format for representing garbled circuits
- All gate types supported
- Each lines describes a wire of types input, gate, output
- All non input wires: gate arity, truth table, inputs []



- No performance improvements
- Implemented in Java
- Circuits can be defined by a Secure Function Definition Language (SFDL) Program which has been developed for use in Fairplay and is C-like
- A SFDL Compiler compiles the program to an optimized Secure Hardware Definition Language (SHDL) Circuit
- Fairplay offers 4 different OT implementations

- Alice and Bob must be started in separate consoles
- Both get the SHDL circuit and a random seed, Alice get the hostname of Bob additionally, Bob the OT variants indicator number
- For both, the input must be read in via the console
- Second file describing inputs and outputs



#### **Bristol Fashion Format**

- Format for representing garbled circuits
- AND, XOR, NOT and more supported
- First row: No of gates & no of wires
- Second row: No of input values & no of input wires for each value
- Third row: No of output values & no of output wires per value
- Gates: No of inputs & no of outputs & numbers of input wires & number of output wire & gate type



- JIGG implements point-and-permute & free-XOR
- Circuits are represented in the Bristol-format
- Macro-Assembler allows to reuse small circuits in bigger ones



- Three parties must be executed: Server, Alice & Bob
- Server must be started once and will run in a listening mode
- Alice and Bob will connect to it, so all of them need to get a common port
- Alice and Bob get their inputs + the circuit





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