

# Errata to MPC Course

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## **Abstract**

Basic notes on MPC.

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# 1 Secure $N$ -party Computation

It's probably worth reiterating some of the formalisms of these definitions with a bit more lucidity, just as a simple reference and as some sort of illumination.

## 1.1 Real World Instantiation

In the real world,  $N$  parties have inputs  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , an agreed-upon function  $f : (x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (y_1, \dots, y_n)$  and they follow a protocol  $\Pi$  which gives them the set of *party outputs*  $\text{OUT}_{\Pi}(\lambda, \mathbf{x}) := (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ . Assume that  $t$  of these parties are controlled by the adversary; define the *view*  $\text{VIEW}_{\Pi, \mathcal{A}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x})$  to be the set of all inputs of corrupted parties, along with messages exchanged that the adversary has sent, received, or eavesdropped-upon.

⇒ **Definition 1.1** (Real World Distribution). *The real-world output  $\text{REAL}_{\Pi, \mathcal{A}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x})$  is defined as the tuple*

$$\text{REAL}_{\Pi, \mathcal{A}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x}) := (\text{OUT}_{\Pi}(\lambda, \mathbf{x}), \text{VIEW}_{\Pi, \mathcal{A}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x})).$$

## 1.2 Ideal World Instantiation

In the ideal world, there is no protocol, only a functionality  $\mathcal{F}$  which takes in inputs from each party, computes the output  $f$ , and returns  $(f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n))$  to the parties. The output,  $\text{OUT}_{\mathcal{F}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x})$  is the same – the output of the parties after the protocol execution – while instead of the *view* (which is, of course, not identical to that of the actual ideal-world ‘protocol’ execution; a protocol could be multi-round), there is the *view of a simulator* (a ‘fake’ adversary which works in the ideal world, but has access to the inputs of the real adversary), which is the output of the simulator on any given execution.

⇒ **Definition 1.2** (Ideal World Distribution). *The ideal-world output  $\text{IDEAL}_{\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{S}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x})$  is defined as the tuple*

$$\text{IDEAL}_{\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{S}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x}) := (\text{OUT}_{\mathcal{F}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x}), \text{VIEW}_{\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{S}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x})).$$

Note that these distributions are *joint* distributions.

## 1.3 Secure $N$ -Party Protocol

⇒ **Definition 1.3** ( $t$ -Privacy of a Protocol). *An  $N$ -Party protocol  $\Pi$  is considered  $t$ -private if for any PPT adversary that corrupts  $t$  of the parties, there exists a PPT simulator such that*

$$\{\text{IDEAL}_{\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{S}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x})\} \equiv \{\text{REAL}_{\Pi, \mathcal{A}}(\lambda, \mathbf{x})\}.$$

**Remark.** There's two examples here of the non-privacy of a protocol. One of them is a function which takes no inputs and outputs a random  $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$  to one of the parties,

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say  $P_0$ . The protocol in which  $P_1$  samples a bit and sends it to  $P_0$  is not secure since if  $P_1$  is corrupted, the view of the adversary is different; it has the bit  $b$  in it. Similarly, if a functionality takes no input and outputs  $pq, (p + q)$  to the parties, then, again, the protocol in which  $P_0$  chooses  $p, q$  and sends  $p + q$  is insecure since it learns the numbers  $p$  and  $q$ .

## 2 Oblivious Transfer

Oblivious Transfer is a simple MPC functionality parametrized by a selection of sender inputs and a receiver index.

**Parameters:** The sender  $S$  has a selection of  $N$  input strings  $(m_0, \dots, m_{N-1})$ , while the receiver  $R$  has an index  $i \in [N]$ .  
**Outputs:**  $S$  receives nothing while  $R$  receives  $m_i$ .

Figure 1: 1-out-of- $N$  Oblivious Transfer.

### 2.1 Protocol for 1-out-of-2 OT

We now demonstrate a simple protocol for 1-out-of-2 OT [EGL85]. We begin with a CPA-secure encryption scheme  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$ , and define the notion of oblivious sampling.

⇒ **Definition 2.1** (PKE with Obviously Sampleable Encryption Key). *An encryption scheme  $(\text{Gen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec})$  has obviously sampleable public keys if there exist algorithms  $\text{Samp}$  and  $\text{pkSamp}$  such that*

- $\{\text{Samp}(1^\lambda)\}$  is computationally indistinguishable from  $\{\text{pk} : (\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \xleftarrow{\$} \text{Gen}(1^\lambda)\}$ .
- $\{(\text{pk}, r) : r \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^\lambda, \text{pk} \leftarrow \text{Samp}(1^\lambda; r)\}$  is computationally indistinguishable from  $\{(\text{pk}, r) : (\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \xleftarrow{\$} \text{Gen}, r \leftarrow \text{pkSim}(\text{pk})\}$ .

The protocol proceeds as follows.

- Receiver runs  $(\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^\lambda)$  and  $\text{pk}' \leftarrow \text{Samp}(1^\lambda)$  and sets  $\text{pk}_b = \text{pk}$ , and  $\text{pk}_{1-b} = \text{pk}'$ .
- Receiver sends  $\text{pk}_0$  and  $\text{pk}_1$ .
- Sender encrypts  $c_i = \text{Enc}_{\text{pk}_i}(m_i)$ .
- Sender sends  $c_0, c_1$ .
- Receiver decrypts  $m_b = \text{Dec}_{\text{sk}_b}(c_b)$ .

Figure 2: 1-out-of-2 Oblivious Transfer from obviously sampleable PKE.

### 2.2 Assumptions Underlying OT

Unfortunately, it is not known how oblivious transfer can be constructed from symmetric-key primitives. In particular, we can show that black-box constructions of oblivious transfer from OWFs is impossible.

⇒ **Theorem 2.1** (Black-Box Separation of OT and OWEs). *There is no construction of Oblivious Transfer that makes black-box use of One-Way Functions.*

*Proof.* We will show that Any Oblivious Transfer protocol implies a Key Exchange Protocol. The result then follows from [IR89], which separates key exchange from all one-way functions.

The KE protocol is very simple:

1.  $P_0$  samples  $r \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^\lambda$  and sends  $(r, 0^\lambda)$  to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{OT}}$ .
2.  $P_1$  sends 0 to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{OT}}$ .
3.  $P_1$  receives  $r$ .

We claim that this is a secure key exchange. The proof proceeds by hybrid argument: first, the above protocol is indistinguishable to an outside observer from a hybrid in which  $P_1$  inputs 1 instead of 0 by receiver security, and secondly it is indistinguishable from a hybrid in which  $P_0$  inputs  $(0^\lambda, 0^\lambda)$  instead by sender security. However, this second hybrid is (information-theoretically) independent of  $r$ , and it follows that the eavesdropper cannot gain any information about  $r$ , and we are done.  $\square$

## 2.3 OT in the Correlated Randomness Model

We now consider the correlated randomness model, where at the beginning of the protocol both  $P_0$  and  $P_1$  are given random strings  $r_0$  and  $r_1$  by a trusted party such that they satisfy some correlation. In particular, we will show how to obtain OT from a set of *random OTs*.

⇒ **Definition 2.2** (Random OTs). *We say that two parties  $P_0$  and  $P_1$  possess random OT correlations if party  $P_0$  (the sender) possesses  $(\tilde{m}_0, \tilde{m}_1) \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^{2\lambda}$  and party  $P_1$  (the receiver) possesses  $(\vec{b}, (\tilde{m}_{b_i})_{i \in \lambda}) \in \{0, 1\}^{2\lambda}$  where  $\vec{b} \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^\lambda$ .*

The above definition formalizes this idea of  $P_0$  and  $P_1$  having ‘random OT correlations,’ i.e.  $P_0$  has random sender inputs and  $P_1$  has random receiver inputs and outputs. We now see how this can be utilized to get OT.

**Parameters:**  $P_0$  has input bits  $(m_0, m_1)$ , while  $P_1$  has input bit  $s$ .

**Correlations:**  $P_0$  has random bits  $(\tilde{m}_0, \tilde{m}_1)$ , while  $P_1$  has random bits  $(b, \tilde{m}_b)$ .

**Protocol:**

1.  $P_1$  sends  $b \oplus s$  to  $P_0$ .
2.  $P_0$  replies with  $(r_0, r_1) := (m_0 \oplus \tilde{m}_{b \oplus s}, m_1 \oplus \tilde{m}_{1 \oplus b \oplus s})$ .

Figure 3: OT from Random OT.

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Correctness of the above protocol follows from simple considerations: if  $s = 0$ , then  $b \oplus s = b$ , and in this case  $P_1$  can decrypt the string  $r_0$  since it knows  $\tilde{m}_b$ . If  $s = 1$ , then  $b \oplus s = b \oplus 1$ , and in this case  $P_1$  can decrypt  $r_1$  since it knows  $\tilde{m}_{b \oplus s \oplus 1} = \tilde{m}_b$ .

### 3 Modifications to OT

We first construct two variants of OT that provide the additional property of *information-theoretic* security against the receiver.

#### 3.1 Information-Theoretically Secure OT

- Sender samples  $(\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^n)$  and sends  $\text{pk}$  to receiver.
- Receiver samples  $s_0, s_1 \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$  and sets  $c_b = \text{Enc}_{\text{pk}}(s_b)$  and  $c_{1-b} \leftarrow \text{Samp}$ , and sends  $c_0, c_1$  to sender.
- Sender sets  $s_i = \text{Dec}_{\text{sk}}(c_i)$  and sends  $x_i \oplus s_i$ .
- Receiver computes

$$x_b = s_b \oplus (s_b \oplus x_b).$$

Figure 4: Variant of OT.

Informally, the security against sender is dependent on the (computational) indistinguishability of determining  $c_{1-b}$  from an honestly sampled encryption and on the security of the encryption scheme, while the security against the receiver is information-theoretic since it cannot determine  $s_1$ .

We see another variant of OT, secure under the DDH assumption.

- Receiver samples  $r \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$  and sets  $(h_0, h_1) = (g_0^r, g_1^{r+b})$ . It sends  $(h_0, h_1)$ .
- Sender samples  $a_0, b_0, a_1, b_1 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$  and sets

$$c_i = (g_0^{a_i} g_1^{b_i}, h_0^{a_i} h_1^{b_i} / (i \cdot g_1^{b_i}) x_i)$$

and sends  $(c_0, c_1)$ .

- Receiver parses  $c_b$  as  $(c^1, c^2)$  and computes  $x_b = c^2 / (c^1)^r$ .

Figure 5: Variant of OT secure assuming DDH.

#### 3.2 Dual-Mode Cryptosystem

A dual-mode cryptosystem serves as a generic ‘toggling’ mechanism to achieve information-theoretic OT against the sender or the receiver. A strict definition of dual-mode cryptosystem is given in [PVW08], along with a generic technique that realizes the OT functionality.

Intuitively, a dual-mode cryptosystem is a hybrid cryptosystem that has two modes: a messy mode and a decryption mode. It has several features:



1. The cryptosystem is initialized with a trusted setup that produces a pair  $(\text{crs}, t)$  where  $\text{crs}$  is the common random string and  $t$  is the trapdoor.
2. Whether the system is in messy or decryption mode is decided during setup. Given a  $\text{crs}$ , the adversary cannot tell which mode the system is operating in.
3. There are two encryption branches. **KeyGen** takes the branch  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}$  as input, and produces a general  $\text{pk}$  and an  $\text{sk}$  that corresponds to the particular branch.
4. During encryption, a branch  $b$  is specified as input.  $b$  could be or could not be  $\sigma$ .
5. **Messy Mode:** In this mode if branch  $b \neq \sigma$ , an encryption is lossy; all information about the plaintext is lost (if encrypted on  $b = \sigma$ , then it is a normal encryption). Given  $t$ , it is possible to obtain the  $\sigma$  that corresponds to  $\text{pk}$ .
6. **Decryption Mode:** In this mode, both branches are decryptable; however, you need the trapdoor to find a key tuple  $(\text{pk}, \text{sk}_0, \text{sk}_1)$  which allows you to decrypt. Furthermore,  $(\text{pk}, \text{sk}_\sigma)$  are statistically indistinguishable from  $\text{KeyGen}(\sigma)$ .

We can now proceed with a formalism.

$\Rightarrow$  **Definition 3.1** (Dual Mode Cryptosystem). *A dual-mode cryptosystem with message space  $\{0, 1\}^\ell$  consists of a tuple of probabilistic algorithms  $(\text{Setup}, \text{KeyGen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec}, \text{FindMessy}, \text{TrapKeyGen})$  that have the following properties.*

- $\text{Setup}(1^\lambda, \mu) \rightarrow (\text{crs}, t)$ .  $\mu$  refers to the mode.
- $\text{KeyGen}(\sigma) \rightarrow (\text{pk}, \text{sk})$ . If in messy mode,  $\text{sk}$  corresponds to the branch  $\sigma$ .
- $\text{Enc}(\text{pk}, b, m) \rightarrow c$ .  $b$  is the branch.
- $\text{Dec}(\text{sk}, c) \rightarrow m$ .
- $\text{FindMessy}(t, \text{pk}) \rightarrow b$ . Given the trapdoor (and a possibly malformed public key), the output is the messy branch of  $\text{pk}$ .
- $\text{TrapKeyGen}(t) \rightarrow (\text{pk}, \text{sk}_0, \text{sk}_1)$ . Outputs a key tuple which allows you to encrypt/decrypt on both branches.

### 3.2.1 OT From Dual-Mode Cryptosystem

We now consider the OT of [PVW08], which almost trivially follows from the definition of the DMC. The protocol can be set up in either mode. In messy mode, the receiver security is computational and the sender is statistical; in decryption mode, the security properties are reversed.

**Security.** We see briefly how this scheme provides security.

- In messy mode,  $y_\sigma$  is a correct encryption of  $m_\sigma$ , but  $y_{1-\sigma}$  is statistically unrelated to  $m_{1-\sigma}$ . Thus the receiver gets no information about  $m_{1-\sigma}$  at all. The receiver has computational security since  $\text{pk}$  computationally hides  $\sigma$ .

**Parameters:**  $S$  has input  $(m_0, m_1) \in \{0, 1\}^\ell$ , while receiver  $R$  has input  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}$ . Suppose that the system is setup in mode  $\mu$ .

**Protocol:**

1. Both  $S$  and  $R$  query  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{crs}}^\mu$  with the appropriate session ID to get the same **crs** (neither of them receive  $t$ ).
2.  $R$  computes  $(\text{pk}, \text{sk}) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(\sigma)$  and sends **pk** to  $S$ .
3.  $S$  gets **pk** and computes  $y_b \leftarrow \text{Enc}(\text{pk}, b, m_b)$  and sends it to  $R$ .
4.  $R$  decrypts  $\text{Dec}(\text{sk}, y_\sigma)$  to obtain  $m_\sigma$ .

Figure 6: Two-Round OT from a Dual-Mode Cryptosystem.

- In decryption mode, the trapdoor allows the production of a public key which is statistically indistinguishable from a  $\text{KeyGen}(\sigma)$  output, so **pk** statistically hides  $\sigma$ . However, sender security is computational, since a ‘true’ decryption key exists (the one output by  $t$ ).

### 3.2.2 Assumptions for Dual-Mode Cryptosystem

A dual-mode cryptosystem can be constructed based on **DDH**, **DCR**, **QR** and **LWE**. Information about the constructions is in [PVW08]. In particular, the construction based on **DDH** mimics the OT of Figure 5.

## 3.3 Extending the Usefulness of OT

We now look at two techniques which allow subtle (more useful) variants of OT.

### 3.3.1 Domain Extension

This technique allows us to obtain OT for  $\ell$ -bit strings from OT for  $\lambda$ -bit strings. Note that  $\lambda$  is the security parameter – hence, it has to be a reasonable key length.

- Sender samples  $k_0, k_1 \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^\lambda$  and sends it to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{OT}}$ .
- Receiver sends  $b$  to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{OT}}$  and receives  $k_b$ .
- Sender sends  $c_i = \text{Enc}_{k_i}(m_i)$  for each  $i \in \{0, 1\}$ .
- Receiver decrypts  $m_b = \text{Dec}_{k_b}(c_b)$ .

Figure 7: OT Domain Extension.

### 3.3.2 1-out-of- $N$ OT from 1-out-of-2 OT

For simplicity, we can assume  $N = 2^k$  for some  $k$ . Suppose that the receiver wants  $m_\alpha$  for some  $|\alpha| = k$ .

- Sender samples  $k_i^b$  for  $b \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $i \in [k]$ , and submits  $(k_i^0, k_i^1)$  to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{OT}}$ .
- Receiver sends  $\alpha_i$  to the  $i$ th OT.
- Sender sets

$$c_\beta = m_\beta \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^k F_{k_{\beta_i}}(\beta)$$

and sends each  $c_\beta$ .

- Receiver decrypts  $m_\alpha = c_\alpha \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^k F_{k_{\alpha_i}}(\alpha)$ .

Figure 8: 1-out-of- $N$  OT from 1-out-of-2 OT.

## 4 OT Extension

As we have seen, it is possible to perform OT of strings of long length using OT for strings of shorter length and a PRG. We will now answer the question of whether it's possible to perform a greater *number* of OTs using a fewer number of OTs.

### 4.1 IKNP OT Extension

In this section we will describe the IKNP OT Extension protocol from [IKNP03]. The protocol works by extending  $\lambda$  pairs of  $m$ -bit OT to  $m$  pairs of  $\ell$ -bit OT. A full description is below. We note by  $\mathbf{OT}_b^a$  an  $a$ -pairs  $b$ -bit OT functionality.

**Parameters:** The Sender holds  $m$  pairs of  $\ell$ -bit strings  $\{(m_{i,b})\}$ . The receiver holds  $m$  selection bits  $r = (r_1, \dots, r_m)$ .  $H : [m] \times \{0, 1\}^\lambda \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^\ell$  is a random oracle.

**Protocol:**

- Sender selects  $s \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^\lambda$  and sends it to  $\mathbf{OT}_m^\lambda$  (as the receiver).
- Receiver selects a random matrix

$$T = (T_1 \quad T_2 \quad \dots \quad T_\lambda)_{m \times \lambda} = \begin{pmatrix} T^1 \\ T^2 \\ \vdots \\ T^m \end{pmatrix}_{m \times \lambda}$$

and sends the inputs  $\{(T_i, r \oplus T_i)\}_{i \in [\lambda]}$  to  $\mathbf{OT}_m^\lambda$  (as the sender).

- Denote by  $Q$  the matrix received by the sender, which is

$$Q = (Q_1 \quad Q_2 \quad \dots \quad Q_\lambda)_{m \times \lambda} = \begin{pmatrix} Q^1 \\ Q^2 \\ \vdots \\ Q^m \end{pmatrix}_{m \times \lambda}$$

- Sender sends

$$(y_{j,0}, y_{j,1}) = (x_{j,0} \oplus H(j, Q^j), x_{j,1} \oplus H(j, Q^j \oplus s)).$$

- For each  $1 \leq j \leq m$ , receiver outputs  $y_{j,r_j} \oplus H(j, T^j)$ .

Figure 9: The IKNP OT Extension Protocol.

**Correctness.** We will now see why this protocol works. Consider  $r_i = 0$  for some  $i$ . It follows that  $(r_i)_{j \in [\lambda]} \oplus T^i = T^i$ , and so  $T^i = Q^i$  (regardless of whatever  $s$  was). It

immediately follows that  $H(j, T^j) = H(j, Q^j)$ .

On the other hand, if  $r_i = 1$ , then  $Q^i = (s \cdot r) \oplus T^j = s \oplus T^j$ . Correctness follows similarly.

**Discussion.** The protocol provides perfect security against a semi-honest (even malicious) sender and statistical security against a semi-honest receiver. The protocol is instantiated with a random oracle, but can be instantiated with a weaker primitive called a *correlation-robust hash function*.

⇒ **Definition 4.1** (Correlation Robustness). *An efficiently computable function  $h : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is said to be correlation robust if for any polynomial  $q(\cdot)$  and PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  there exists a negligible function  $\epsilon(\cdot)$  such that*

$$|\Pr[\mathcal{A}(t_1, \dots, t_m, h(t_1 \oplus s), \dots, h(t_m \oplus s)) = 1] - \Pr[\mathcal{A}(U_{(\lambda+1)m}) = 1]| \leq \epsilon(\lambda)$$

where  $m \leq q(\lambda)$ . The probability is taken over random and independent choices of  $s, t_i \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^\lambda$  for  $i \in [m]$ .

The authors also modify the scheme to achieve full security against a malicious receiver through a cut-and-choose mechanism, in which the receiver and the sender execute  $k$  instances of the (committed) protocol in parallel and the sender randomly checks whether a certain number of instances were correctly performed (and aborts otherwise).

**Parameters.** The above protocol is secure as long as  $m = 2^{o(\lambda)}$ . Note that if, say,  $m = 2^\lambda$ , then the security of the correlation-robust hash function breaks down since this allows a ‘repeat’, i.e.  $H(j, Q^j \oplus s)$  will be called twice for some value of  $j$ . We will see the impossibility of  $2^{\Omega(\lambda)}$ -pairs OT extension in Minicrypt along with other impossibility results below. This concludes that the protocol is asymptotically optimal.

**Improvements.** [BCG<sup>+</sup>19] achieves  $n$  pairs using  $\log n$  OTs and the (computational) LPN (Learning Parity with Noise) assumption. [Roy22] presents a practical improvement on the protocol.

## 4.2 Feasibility of OT Extension

The protocol of [IKNP03] is not the only OT Extension protocol. Before this, [Bea96] showed that  $k$  OTs can be extended to  $k^c$  OTs making a non-black box use of a one way function. The protocol of [IKNP03] can gain up to superpolynomial OTs with a black-box use of an OWF, but makes use of a Random Oracle.

**Open Problem.** Is there a protocol for (subexponential) OT extension that makes black-box use of a One Way Function without a random oracle?

[LZ13] study the feasibility of OT Extension, and prove the following results.

⇒ **Theorem 4.1** (Information-Theoretic OT Extension). *If there exists an OT extension protocol from  $n$  to  $n + 1$  (with security in the presence of static semi-honest adversaries), then there exist one-way functions.*

This proves that OT cannot be extended information-theoretically. Note that while the protocol of [IKNP03] does not make explicit use of an OWF, it does use a random oracle (which implies OT extension).

⇒ **Theorem 4.2** (Adaptively Secure OT Extension). *If there exists an OT extension protocol from  $n$  to  $n + 1$  that is secure in the presence of adaptive semi-honest adversaries, then there exists an oblivious transfer protocol that is secure in the presence of static semi-honest adversaries.*

This proves that any adaptive OT extension protocol involves constructing statically secure OT extension from scratch. The problem of constructing adaptively secure OT extension was solved in [BPRS17], though their protocol uses public-key cryptography.

⇒ **Theorem 4.3** (Extending Logarithmic OTs). *If there exists an OT extension protocol from  $f(n) = O(\log n)$  to  $f(n) + 1$  that is secure in the presence of static malicious adversaries, then there exists an OT protocol that is secure in the presence of static malicious adversaries.*

This proves that any OT extension protocol that have exponential extension must make use of an exponential number of OTs itself.

#### 4.2.1 OT Extension Implies One-Way Functions

We now provide a sketch of the proof of Theorem 4.1, as given in [LZ13].

⇒ **Lemma 4.1** (OT Extension with Polynomial Stretch). *Let  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be any polynomially-bounded function, and let  $n$  be the security parameter. If there exists a protocol  $\pi$  that is an OT-extension from  $f(n)$  to  $f(n) + 1$  that is secure in the presence of adaptive, malicious adversaries, then for every polynomial  $p(\cdot)$  there exists an OT-extension protocol from  $f(n)$  to  $p(n)$  that is secure in the presence of adaptive malicious adversaries.*

*Proof.* We begin by noting that any OT-extension protocol  $\pi$  can be converted into an extension protocol  $\pi'$  in two phases:

- **Ideal OT:** In this phase, the parties make  $f(n)$  calls to an ideal OT.
- **Computation:** In this phase, the parties use the OT calls from the previous phase to get  $f(n) + 1$  OTs.

The protocol to get  $p(n)$  OTs is simple: first, use the OTs from the first round to get  $f(n) + 1$  OTs, and then *reuse* them  $p(n)$ -many times to get  $p(n)$  OTs (each invocation adds one additional OT). The formal proof proceeds by hybrid argument. □

We will now use this fact in order to generate two polynomial-time constructable probability ensembles that are *statistically* distinguishable but *computationally* indistinguishable. The existence of such ensembles is equivalent to a one-way function, shown by [Gol90]. In particular, Goldreich shows that the existence of pseudorandom generators is equivalent to the existence of such ensembles.

*Proof Sketch of Theorem 4.1.* Let  $\pi$  be an  $n \rightarrow 2n + 1$  OT-extension. Consider the random variables  $X_0, X_1, X'_0, X'_1, \Sigma$ , where

- $\Sigma \in \{0, 1\}^{2n+1}$  is a uniformly distributed string (representing the receiver's input).
- $X_i, X'_i \in \{0, 1\}^{2n+1}$  are uniformly distributed under the constraint that  $X_{\Sigma^i}^i = X'_{\Sigma^i}^i$  (representing the possible sender inputs – if  $\Sigma^i$  is  $b$ , then  $X_b$  and  $X'_b$  agree on the  $i$ th bit, otherwise they are independent).

Let  $\text{TRANS}^\pi(x_0, x_1, \sigma)$  be the transcript of  $\pi$  on the sender inputs  $x_0$  and  $x_1$  and on receiver input  $\sigma$  (the transcript does *not* contain inputs to the ideal OT functionality, however). Define the probability ensembles

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{E}_n^0 &= (X_0, X_1, \Sigma, \text{TRANS}^\pi(X_0, X_1, \Sigma)) \\ \mathcal{E}_n^1 &= (X'_0, X'_1, \bar{\Sigma}, \text{TRANS}^\pi(X_0, X_1, \Sigma))\end{aligned}$$

The key idea is this: these ensembles must be *computationally* indistinguishable since the receiver should be completely unable to distinguish whether  $X_i$  or  $X'_i$  was used given the transcript, since otherwise receiver security of the OT will be violated. Similarly,  $\Sigma$  should be indistinguishable from  $\bar{\Sigma}$ , since the sender security will be violated. Note that the first 3 elements are indistinguishable simply by construction. The non-trivial computational indistinguishability is that of the transcript.

Note, however, that the transcript must be *statistically* distinct. This is because the transcript *has* to contain some meaningful information about the input distributions – the only way this is impossible is if *all* information were communicated by the ideal OT that is executed as a subprotocol. But this cannot be the case, since only  $n$  instances of OT were carried out; some information about the other  $n+1$  has to be contained in this transcript. This provides an intuitive reason why the two are statistically indistinguishable.  $\square$

The full proof is contained in Section 3 of [LZ13].

## 5 The GMW Protocol

We now consider the first generic protocol for multi-party computation of arbitrary circuits, introduced by Goldreich, Micali and Wigderson in [MGW87] and [Gol04]. At any given time, the protocol proceeds with both parties having shares of the value of the circuit wires. At the end, the parties have shares of the output wire labels, and they can broadcast them.

### 5.1 The Protocol

The protocol proceeds in stages. Suppose that  $P_0$ 's input is  $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$  and  $P_1$ 's input is  $y \in \{0, 1\}^m$ . Furthermore, we consider each gate to have two input wires.

1.  $P_0$  samples  $r \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^n$  and sets its share of the input to be  $x \oplus r$ , and sends  $r$  to  $P_1$ .  $P_1$  does the same with a random string  $s \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^m$ .
2. When encountering gate  $C$  with input wire labels  $w_i$  and  $w_j$ ,  $P_0$  holds shares  $s_i^0$  and  $s_j^0$  and  $P_1$  holds shares  $s_i^1$  and  $s_j^1$  with

$$s_c^b \oplus s_c^{1-b} = w_c$$

for  $c \in \{i, j\}$ .

3.  $P_0$  and  $P_1$  perform a **GateEVAL** and obtain shares  $s_k^0$  and  $s_k^1$  for output wire  $w_k$ .
4. Once the parties obtain shares of all the output gates, they broadcast these shares and reconstruct them to get the values of the output wires.

Figure 10: The GMW Protocol for secure computation of arbitrary circuits.

We now formalize the **GateEVAL** subprotocol that allows the parties to generate output shares of a gate.

#### 5.1.1 NOT Gate

A NOT gate only has one input, so assume that the parties hold  $s_i^0$  and  $s_i^1$  as input shares. Before the protocol, the parties agree that  $P_0$  will flip its input bit to  $\overline{s_i^0}$ , which is a share of the output.

#### 5.1.2 XOR Gate

Note that the output of an XOR gate can be rearranged as in the following:



$$\begin{aligned}
w_k &= w_i \oplus w_j \\
&= (s_i^0 \oplus s_i^1) \oplus (s_j^0 \oplus s_j^1) \\
&= (s_i^0 \oplus s_j^0) \oplus (s_i^1 \oplus s_j^1)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $P_b$  can simply set  $s_k^b := s_i^b \oplus s_j^b$ .

### 5.1.3 AND Gate

The **GateEVALs** for the **NOT** and the **XOR** gate were non-interactive, and hence revealed no information about their shares to the other party. However, this is not the case with the **AND** gate. The evaluation of this gate proceeds as follows.

First,  $P_0$  calculates the value of  $w_k$  for all possible inputs of  $P_1$ . Set  $S(a, b)$  to be the value of  $w_k$  given  $s_i^1 = a$  and  $s_j^1 = b$ . Then  $P_0$  samples  $r \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}$  and sets  $s_k^0 = r$ . It sends

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} r \oplus S(0, 0) \\ r \oplus S(0, 1) \\ r \oplus S(1, 0) \\ r \oplus S(1, 1) \end{pmatrix}$$

as input to  $\mathcal{F}_{1\text{-out-of-4-OT}}$  as the sender.  $P_1$  sends  $s = (s_i^1, s_j^1)$  as receiver input, and sets  $s_k^1$  as the OT output.

Note that by the security properties of OT,  $P_0$  receives no information about  $P_1$ 's share, while  $P_1$  obtains no information about  $P_0$ 's share since the output has a random mask.

## 6 Garbled Circuits

## A List of Assumptions

We provide here a lookup table for a list of common assumptions.

### A.1 Assumptions Based on Discrete-Log

### A.2 Assumptions based on Reciprocity

### A.3 Assumptions based on Coding

### A.4 Assumptions based on Lattices

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