Protecting Yao from Malicious Attacks





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- Can open/check a garbled circuit or use it for evaluation, not both!



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- How to actually do this without introducing new security flaws?



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- Evaluate *several circuits* \Rightarrow what if some of them disagree?
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- Need another way to deal with disagreeing outputs!



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[ShelatShen11]: To ensure $Pr[Adv wins] < 2^{-s}$:

- Generate ~ 3.12 s circuits (replication factor)
- Open random subset of =60% of circuits
- ▶ For *s* = 40: generate 125 circuits and check 75

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Can arrange for y to be **committed** before H is chosen

- Can use simple 2-universal function H
- ► Example: *H*(*y*) = multiplication by random (public) 0/1-matrix
 - \Rightarrow computation of *H* free using Free-XOR garbling

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Selective failure attack: Garbler sends bad input wire labels

- ... conditioned on receiver's OT choice bits (her private input!)
- E.g.: junk wire label \Leftrightarrow first bit of x is 1

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Analysis:

- ► Garbler "poisons" < k OTs ⇒ evaluator failure probability independent of x</p>
- Garbler "poisons" $\geq k$ OTs \Rightarrow evaluator failure probability $\geq 1 2^{-k}$

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Cheating punishment: details



- Auxiliary secure computation uses majority-cut-and-choose
- Auxiliary computation depends only on input length of f
- Many many many optimizations to make aux computation small
- Must ensure **same input** *y* to both main & aux computations
- Evaluator can learn f(x, y) in two ways, but can't reveal which!





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• With only *s* circuits, $Pr[Adv wins] \le 2^{-s}$ (vs. > 3*s* circuits)

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- Malicious Bob can't make Alice accept incorrect output!



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$$\begin{bmatrix} z_1 \end{bmatrix}_B, \begin{bmatrix} z_2 \end{bmatrix}_B, \dots \\ S_A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} z_i \end{bmatrix}_{A,B} \right\}_i$$

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 - \Rightarrow PSI output identifies the "correct" z_i

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"dual-ex+PSI" summary

s garbled circuits in each direction (can be done simultaneously)

Adversary cannot violate output correctness

Adversary learns a single bit with probability 2^{-s} – only when:

- All opened circuits are correct
- All evaluated circuits are incorrect

Example: only 10 circuits for 0.1% chance of single-bit leakage

all other security properties hold with overwhelming probability

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- for security $1/2^s$, need $2 + O(s/\log N)$ circuits per execution
- example: N = 1024, $s = 40 \implies$ only 4 circuits per execution

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Other approaches:

- LEGO: [NielsenOrlandi09,FJNNO13,FJNT15] cut-and-choose on individual gates, not circuits
 - Replication factor $2 + O(s/\log N)$ but now N = # gates
 - Extra costs needed to connect gates together
- DUPLO: [KolesnikovNielsenRosulekTrieuTrifiletti17] cut-and-choose on medium-size components (between single gate and entire circuit)
- Pool: [ZhuHuangCassel17] maintain large fixed-size collection of garbled circuits to support unlimited number of evaluations