# Session 2: The Yao and BMR Protocols for Secure Computation

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### The Yao and BMR Protocols

- Yao presented the first protocol for secure (two-party) computation
- Yao's protocol was followed by several protocols for the multi-party setting
  - Goldreich-Micali-Wigderson (GMW)
  - Ben Or-Goldwasser-Wigderson (BGW), Chaum-Crepeau-Damgård (CCD)
- Beaver-Micali-Rogaway (BMR) presented a multiparty protocol using a similar approach to Yao's, and with only O(1) communication rounds.

# **Yao's Protocol**



## **Yao's Protocol**

# A protocol for general secure two-party computation

- Constant number of rounds
- The basic protocol is secure only for semi-honest adversaries
- Many applications of the methodology beyond secure computation

#### General secure computation

- Can securely compute any functionality
- Based on a representation of the functionality as a Boolean circuit

# Representing functions as Boolean circuits???

- In some cases the circuits are small
  - Adding numbers
  - Comparing numbers
  - Multiplying numbers?
  - Computing AES?
  - Working with indirect addressing (A[i]) ?

 We can efficiently do secure computation of millions and billions of gates

## **Basic ideas**

#### A plain circuit is evaluated by

- Setting values to its input gates
- For each gate, computing the value of the outgoing wire as a function of the wires going into the gate

#### Secure computation:

No party should learn the values of any internal wires

#### Yao's protocol

 A compiler which takes a circuit and transforms it to a circuit which hides all information but the final output

### **Outline**

#### Garbled circuit

- An encrypted circuit together with a pair of keys (k<sub>0</sub>,k<sub>1</sub>) for every wire so that for any gate, given one key on every input wire:
  - It is possible to compute the key of the corresponding gate output
  - It is impossible to learn anything else

#### Tool: oblivious transfer

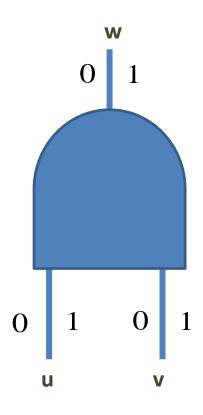
- Input: sender has x<sub>0</sub>,x<sub>1</sub>; receiver has b
- Receiver obtains x<sub>b</sub> only
- Sender learns nothing

### **A Garbled Circuit**

- For the entire circuit, assign independent random values/keys to each wire (key  $k_0$  for 0, key  $k_1$  for 1)
  - These keys are also called "garbled values"

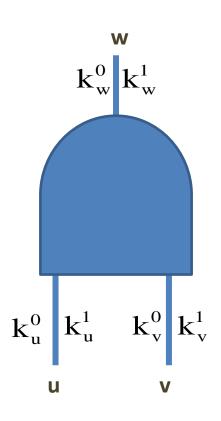
 Encrypt each gate, so that given one key for each input wire, can compute the appropriate key on the output wire

## **An AND Gate**



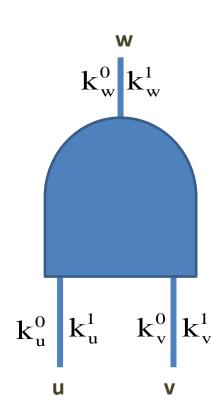
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0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

#### **An AND Gate with Garbled Values**



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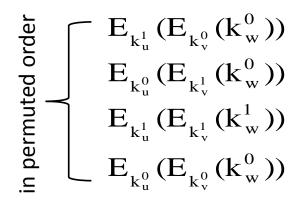
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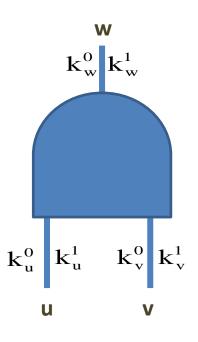
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### A Garbled AND Gate

The actual garbled gate



- Given K<sub>u</sub><sup>0</sup> and K<sub>v</sub><sup>1</sup> can obtain only K<sub>w</sub><sup>0</sup>
- Furthermore, since the order of the rows is permuted, the party has no idea if it obtained the 0 or 1 key

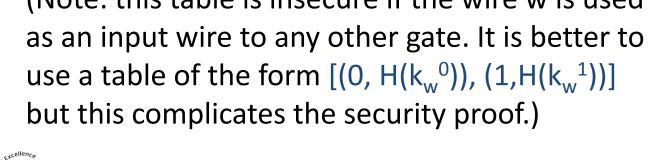


# **Output Translation**

- If the gate is an output gate, also need to provide the "decryption" of the output wire
- Output translation table:

$$[(0,k_w^0),(1,k_w^1)]$$

(Note: this table is insecure if the wire w is used use a table of the form  $[(0, H(k_w^0)), (1, H(k_w^1))]$ but this complicates the security proof.)



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## **Constructing a Garbled Circuit**

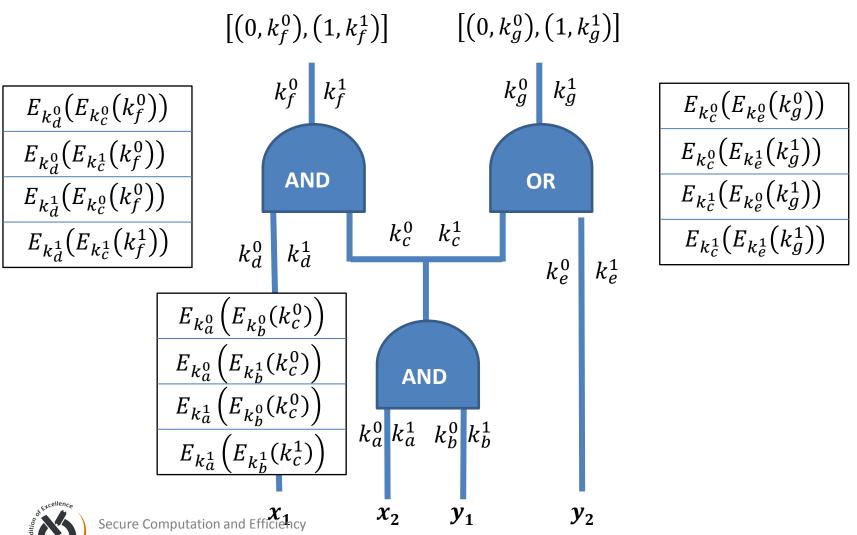
#### Given a Boolean circuit

- Assign garbled values to all wires
- Construct garbled gates using the garbled values

#### Central property:

- Given a garbled value for each input wire, can compute the entire circuit, and obtain garbled values for the output wires
- Given a translation table for the output wires, can obtain output
- Nothing but the final output is learned!

# **An Example Circuit**



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# **Computing a Garbled Circuit**

- How does the party computing the circuit know that it decrypted the "correct" entry?
  - A gate table has four entries in permuted order
  - The keys known to the evaluator can decrypt only a single entry, but symmetric encryption may decrypt "correctly" even with incorrect keys
- Two possibilities (actually many...)
  - Add redundant zeroes to the plaintext; only correct keys give redundant block
  - Add a bit to signal which ciphertext to decrypt

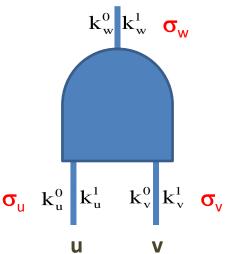
# **Computing a Garbled Circuit**

#### Option 1:

- Encryption:  $E_K(m) = [r, F_K(r) \oplus (m | 0^n)]$
- By the pseudo-randomness of **F**, the probability of obtaining **O**<sup>n</sup> with an incorrect **K** is negligible any drawbacks?

#### Option 2:

For every wire, choose a random signal bit together with the keys



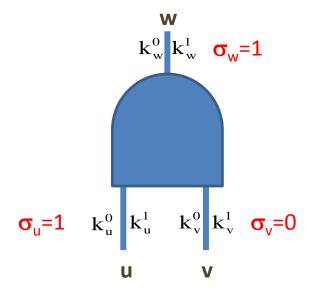
- Each wire has an "internal value" bit which must be kept secret
- It also has an "external value" bit which the evaluator can see
- External value is equal to (internal value xor signal bit)



# Computing a Garbled Circuit with a Signal Bit

# • The actual garbled gate

table ordered  $(0,0) \to E_{k_u^1} (E_{k_v^0} (k_w^0 \parallel 1))$  ordered based  $(0,1) \to E_{k_u^1} (E_{k_v^1} (k_w^1 \parallel 0))$  on  $(1,0) \to E_{k_u^0} (E_{k_v^0} (k_w^0 \parallel 1))$  external  $(1,1) \to E_{k_u^0} (E_{k_v^1} (k_w^0 \parallel 1))$  values



#### Advantage

 Evaluator knows external values and therefore which entry to decrypt. Computing the circuit requires just two decryptions per gate (rather than an average of 5 if 0<sup>n</sup> is appended to plaintext)

# Yao's protocol

- P<sub>1</sub> sends to P<sub>2</sub>
  - Tables encoding each circuit gate.
  - The keys corresponding to P₁'s input values.
- If P<sub>2</sub> gets the keys corresponding to its input values, it can compute the output of the circuit, and nothing else.
  - Why can't P<sub>1</sub> provide P<sub>2</sub> with the keys corresponding to both 0 and 1 for P<sub>2</sub>'s input wires?

# Yao's protocol

- For every wire i of P<sub>2</sub>'s input:
  - The parties run an OT protocol
  - $-P_2$ 's input is her input bit  $(y_i)$ .
  - $-P_1$ 's input is  $k_i^0, k_i^1$
  - P<sub>2</sub> learns k<sub>i</sub><sup>yi</sup>
- The OTs for all input wires can be run in parallel.
- Afterwards P<sub>1</sub> can compute the circuit by itself.

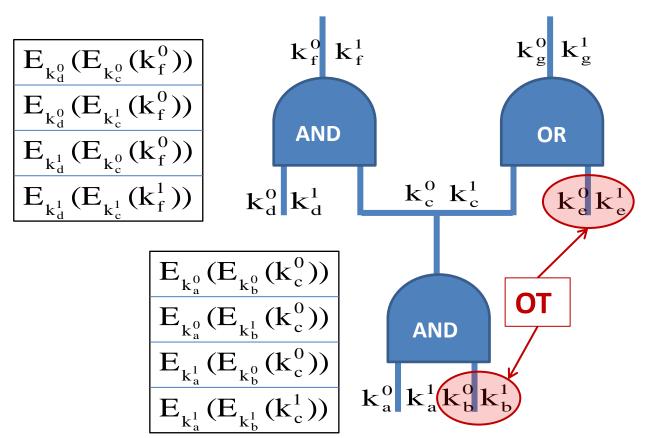
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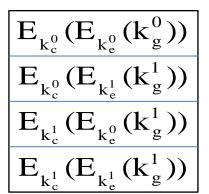
- Input: x and y of length n
- P<sub>1</sub> generates a garbled circuit G(C)
  - $-\mathbf{k_L^0},\mathbf{k_L^1}$  are the keys on wire  $\mathbf{w_L}$
  - Let  $w_1,...,w_n$  be the input wires of  $P_1$  and  $w_{n+1},...,w_{2n}$  be the input wires of  $P_2$
- P<sub>1</sub> sends to P<sub>2</sub> G(C) and the strings k<sub>1</sub><sup>x<sub>1</sub></sup>,..., k<sub>n</sub><sup>x<sub>n</sub></sup>
- P<sub>1</sub> and P<sub>2</sub> run n OTs in parallel
  - $P_1$  inputs  $(\mathbf{k_{n+i}}^0, \mathbf{k_{n+i}}^1)$
  - $-P_2$  inputs  $\mathbf{y_i}$
- Given all keys, P<sub>2</sub> computes G(C) and obtains C(x,y)
  - P<sub>2</sub> sends result to P<sub>1</sub>

# The Example Circuit

(input wires  $P_1 = d_1$ ;  $P_2 = b_2$ )

$$[(0, k_f^0), (1, k_f^1)] \qquad [(0, k_g^0), (1, k_g^1)]$$







# **Double-Encryption Security**

- Need to formally prove that given 4
   encryptions of a garbled gate and only 2 keys
  - Nothing is learned beyond one output
- Actually, in order to simulate the protocol, we need something stronger
- Notation:
  - Double encryption:  $\overline{E}(k_u, k_v, m) = E_{k_u}(E_{k_v}(m))$
  - Oracles:  $\overline{E}(\cdot, k_v, \cdot), \overline{E}(k_u, \cdot, \cdot)$

# **Double-Encryption Security**

#### $\mathsf{Expt}^{\mathsf{double}}_{\mathcal{A}}(n, \sigma)$

- The adversary A is invoked upon input 1<sup>n</sup> and outputs two keys k<sub>0</sub> and k<sub>1</sub> of length n and two triples of messages (x<sub>0</sub>, y<sub>0</sub>, z<sub>0</sub>) and (x<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>1</sub>, z<sub>1</sub>) where all messages are of the same length.
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- A outputs a bit b and this is taken as the output of the experiment.

Enabling A to access these oracles gives it more power

The encryption is secure if the adversary cannot identify which one of the two triples as encrypted

- P<sub>1</sub>'s view consists only of the messages it receives in the oblivious transfers
- In the OT-hybrid model, P<sub>1</sub> receives no messages in the oblivious transfers
- Simulation:
  - Generate an empty transcript

#### More difficult case

- Need to construct a fake garbled circuit G(C') that looks indistinguishable to G(C)
- Simulated view contains keys to input wires andG(C')
- -G(C') together with the keys computes f(x,y)
- But the simulator does not know x, so cannot generate a real garbled circuit

#### The simulator

- Given  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ , construct a fake garbled circuit  $\mathbf{G}'(\mathbf{C})$  that always outputs  $\mathbf{z}$ 
  - Do this by choosing wire keys as usual, but encrypting the same output key in all ciphertexts, e.g.

$$\begin{split} E_{k_{u}^{1}}(E_{k_{v}^{0}}(k_{w}^{0})) & E_{k_{u}^{1}}(E_{k_{v}^{1}}(k_{w}^{0})) \\ E_{k_{u}^{0}}(E_{k_{v}^{1}}(k_{w}^{0})) & E_{k_{u}^{0}}(E_{k_{v}^{0}}(k_{w}^{0})) \end{split}$$

 This ensures that no matter the input, the same known garbled values on the output wires are received

#### Simulator (continued)

- Simulation of output translation tables
  - Let k,k' be the keys on the i<sup>th</sup> output wire; let k be the key encrypted in all 4 entries of the gate which outputs this wire
  - If z<sub>i</sub> = 0, write [(0,k),(1,k')]
  - If z<sub>i</sub> = 1, write [(0,k'),(1,k)]
- Simulation of input keys phase
  - Input wires associated with P<sub>1</sub>'s input: send any one of the two keys on the wire
  - Input wires associated with P<sub>2</sub>'s input: simulate output of OT to be any one of the two keys on the wire

- Need to prove that the simulation is indistinguishable from the real execution
- First step modify simulator as follows
  - Given circuit inputs x and y (just for the sake of the proof), label all keys on the wires as <u>active</u> or <u>inactive</u>
    - <u>active</u>: key is obtained on this wire upon inputs (x,y)
    - <u>inactive</u>: key is not obtained on wire upon inputs (x,y)
  - Make sure that the single key encrypted in each gate is the <u>active</u> one
- This simulation is identical to the previous one

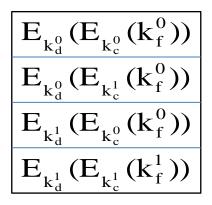
- Proven by a hybrid argument
  - Consider a garbled circuit  $G_1(C)$  for which:
    - The first L gates are generated as in the (alternative) simulation
    - The rest of the gates are generated honestly
- Claim: G<sub>L-1</sub>(C) is indistinguishable from G<sub>L</sub>(C)
- Proof:
  - Difference is in L<sup>th</sup> gate
  - Intuition: use indistinguishability of encryptions to say that cannot distinguish real garbled gate from one where the same active key is encrypted in all entries

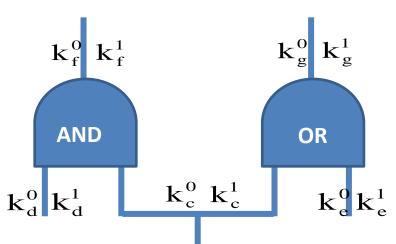
- Observation L<sup>th</sup> gate
  - The encryption under both active keys is identical in both cases
  - The difference is encryptions where one or both of the keys are inactive keys
    - Must show that these three encryptions are indistinguishable from the encryptions in real execution
- The problem
  - The inactive keys in this gate may appear in other gates as well
    - We needed the oracles to generate these other encryptions...

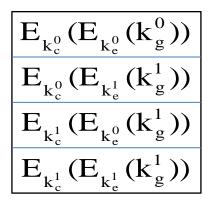
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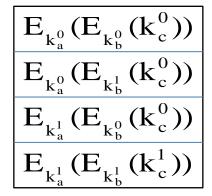
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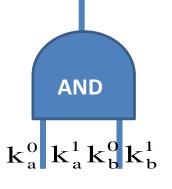
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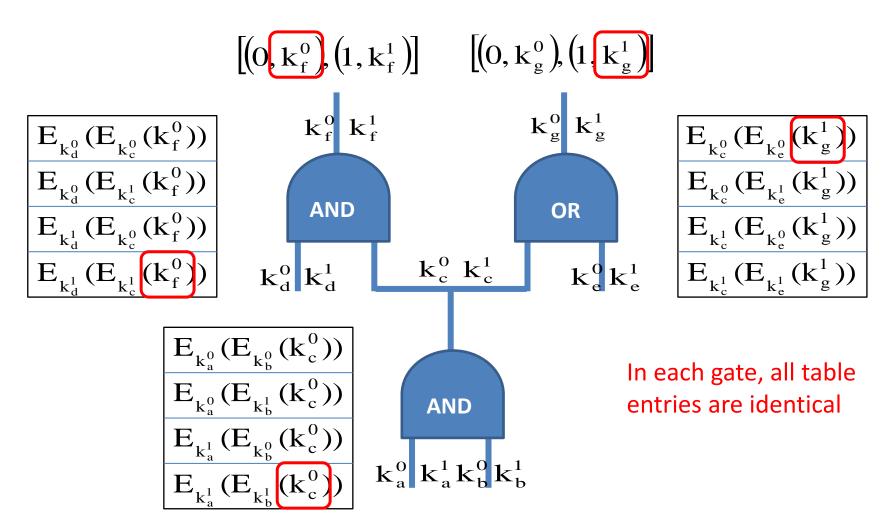








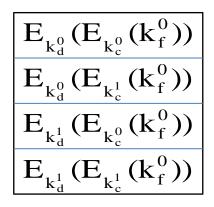
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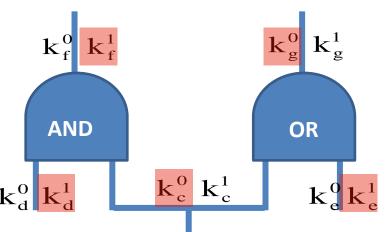


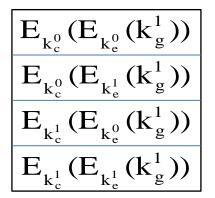
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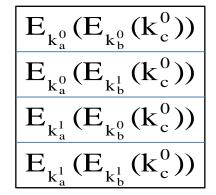
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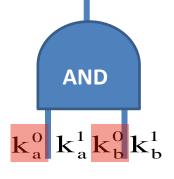






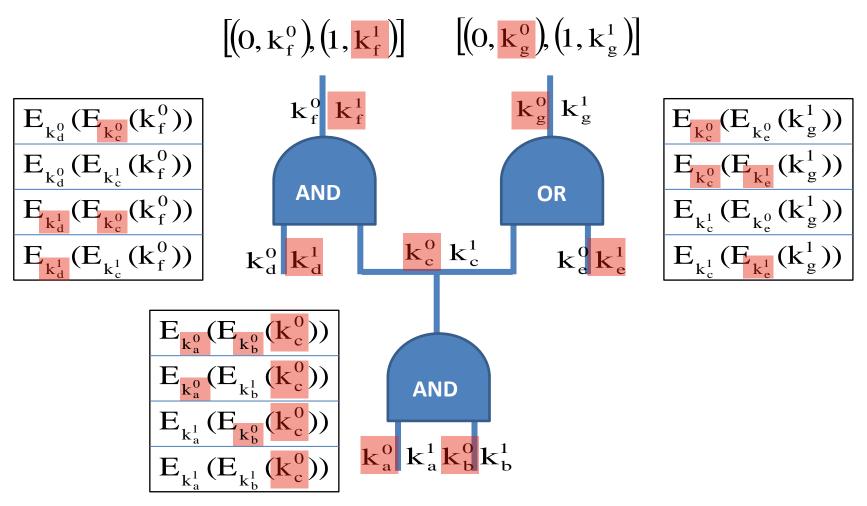




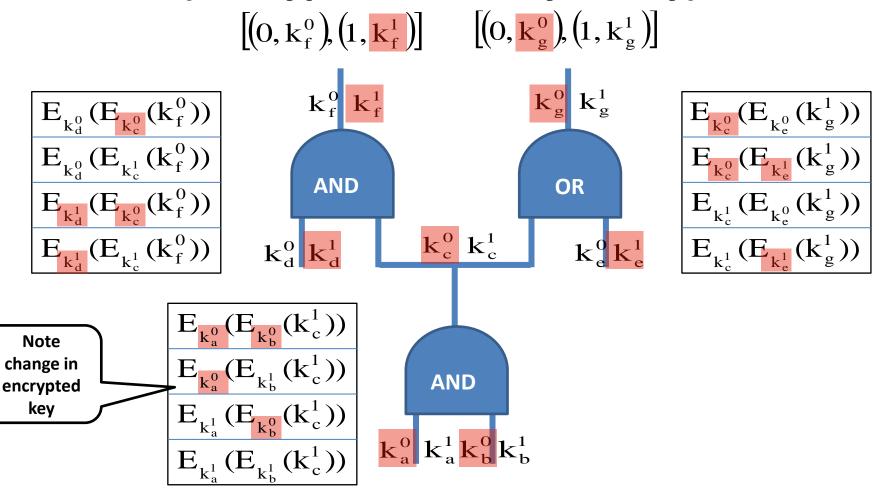


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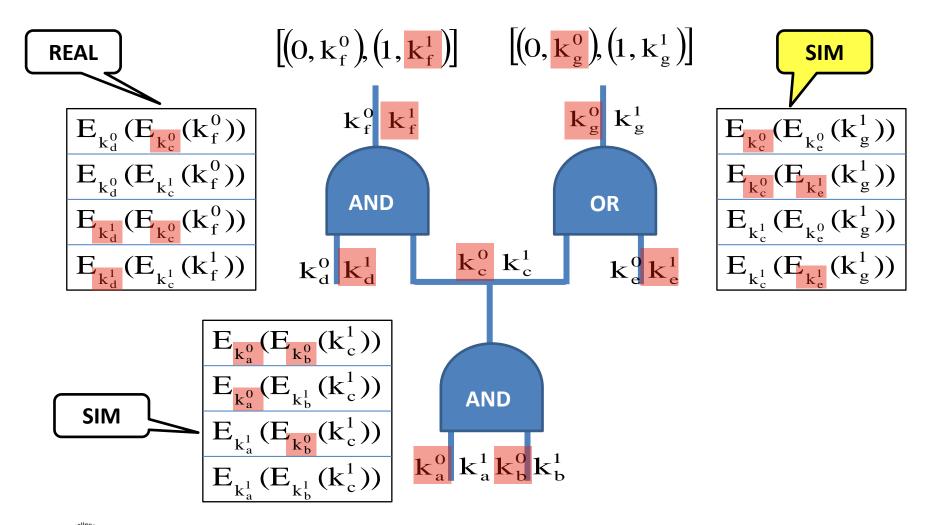
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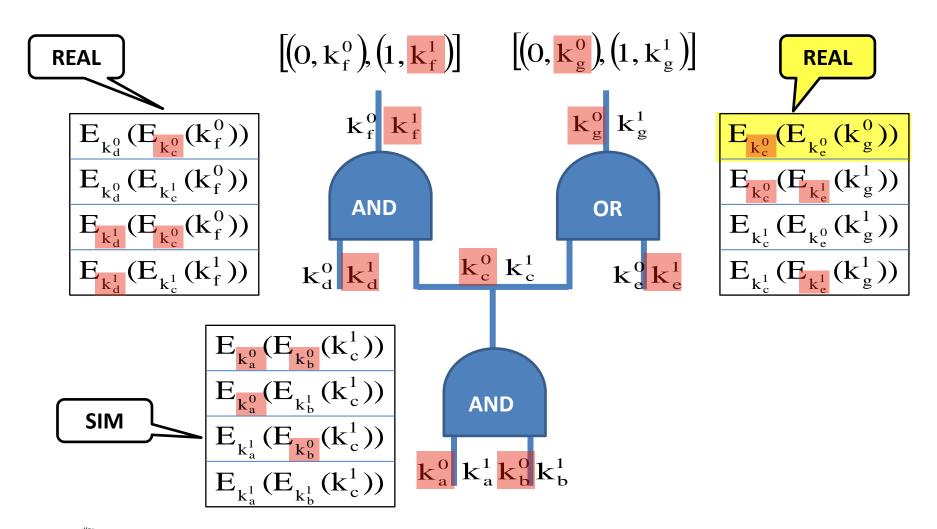
# Modify Simulator (Encrypt Active Keys Only)



## **Hybrid on OR Gate – Simulated OR**



## **Hybrid on OR Gate – Real OR**



#### What's the Difference

- In the simulated OR case, the inactive key  ${\bf k_c}^0$  encrypts the key  ${\bf k_g}^1$
- In the real OR case, the inactive key  $k_c^0$  encrypts the key  $k_g^0$
- Indistinguishability follows from the indistingushability of encryptions under the inactive key  $\mathbf{k}_c^{\ 0}$

#### **Proving Indistinguishability**

 Follows from the indistingushability of encryptions under the inactive key k<sub>c</sub><sup>0</sup>

#### The good news

– Key  $\mathbf{k_c}^0$  is not encrypted anywhere (as data) because prior gates are simulated

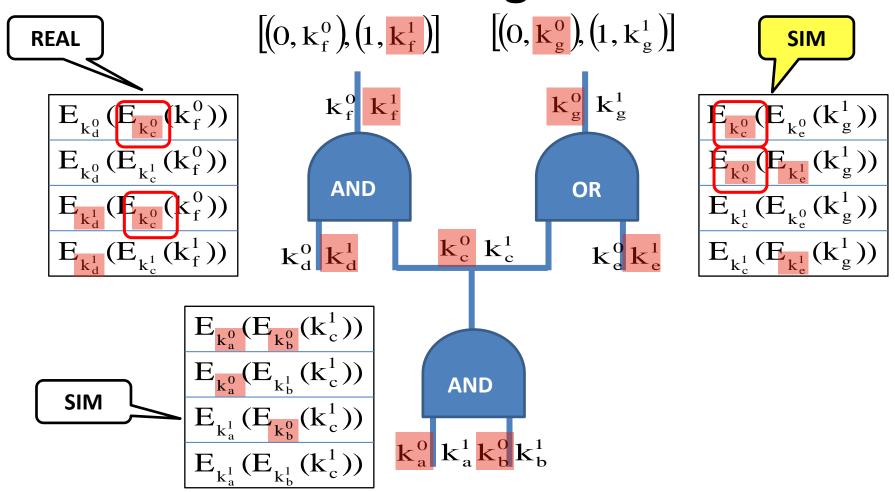
#### The bad news

– The key  $k_c^0$  needs to be used to construct the real AND gate for the hybrid

#### The solution

The special double-encryption CPA game

# The problem: inactive key used in another gate



#### **Double-Encryption Security**

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  - Can use oracle to generate the REAL AND gate

#### **Proof of Security – P<sub>2</sub> is Corrupted**

 Since each gate-replacement is indistinguishable, using a hybrid argument we have that the distributions are indistinguishable (see paper for details)

QED



#### **Efficiency**

- 2-4 rounds (depending on OT and if one party or both parties receive output)
- |y| oblivious transfers
- 8|C| symmetric encryptions to generate circuit and 2|C| to compute it (using the signal bit)
- For a circuit of 33,000 gates, about 528 Kbytes with 128bit AES encryption

#### **Malicious Adversaries**

- Assume that the OT is secure for malicious adv:
  - A corrupted  $P_1$  cannot learn **anything** (it receives no messages in the protocol, in the hybrid-OT model)
    - Thus, we have privacy
  - We can prove full security for the case of a corrupted P<sub>2</sub>
- This can be useful, but...
  - This does not ensure that the parties compute the required functionality
  - E.g., consider P<sub>1</sub> that builds circuit so that if P<sub>2</sub>'s first bit is
     0, the circuit doesn't decrypt
    - If P<sub>1</sub> can detect this in the real world, privacy is lost
  - Proving full security against a malicious P1 is hard



#### **The BMR Protocol**



# The BMR protocol

- Beaver-Micali-Rogaway
- A multi-party version of Yao's protocol
- Works in O(1) communication rounds, regardless of the depth of the Boolean circuit. (The GMW,BGW, CCD protocol have O(d) rounds)
  - D. Beaver, S. Micali and P. Rogaway, "The round complexity of secure protocols", 1990.
  - A. Ben-David, N. Nisan and B. Pinkas, "FairplayMP A System for Secure Multi-Party Computation", 2010.



#### The BMR protocol: the basic idea

- Two random seeds (aka keys, garbled values)
  are set for every wire of the Boolean circuit:
  - Each seed is a concatenation of seeds generated by all players and secretly shared among them.
- The parties securely compute together a 4x1 table for every gate (in parallel):
  - Given a 0/1 seed to each of the two input wires,
     the table reveals the seed of the resulting value of the output wire.



## **Encoding Gates**

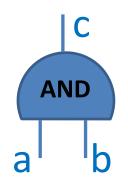
- Wire a has seeds  $s_{a,1}^0$ ,  $s_{a,1}^1$ ,...,  $s_{a,n}^0$ ,  $s_{a,n}^1$  of parties  $P_1$ ,..., $P_n$ .
- Every wire has similar seeds.
- Each wire has a secret bit  $\lambda$ . If  $\lambda_a=0$  then  $s_{a,i}^{\ 0}$  corresponds to an internal value of 0 and  $s_{a,i}^{\ 1}$  corresponds to an internal value of 1. Otherwise  $s_{a,i}^{\ 0}$  corresponds to 1 and  $s_{a,i}^{\ 1}$  to 0.
- The  $\lambda$  values are random and shared between the parties, so no one knows to which internal value the 0 seeds correspond.



AND

# **Encoding Gates**

- Suppose that  $\lambda_a=0$ ,  $\lambda_b=1$  and  $\lambda_c=0$ .
- The seeds  $s_{a,1}^{0}$ ,...,  $s_{a,n}^{0}$  and  $s_{b,1}^{0}$ ,...,  $s_{b,n}^{0}$ 
  - Correspond to internal values of a=0, b=1, and consequently to c=0.
  - Since  $\lambda_c$ =0 they will encrypt the corresponding seeds of wire c,  $s_{c,1}^0$ ,...,  $s_{c,n}^0$
- Can similarly decide which seed of wire c must be encrypted by each combination of the seeds of wires a,b.





# **Encoding Gates**

- For each gate, the table encrypting the outputs of the gate is a function of
  - $-\lambda_a=0$ ,  $\lambda_b=1$ ,  $\lambda_c=0$  (these values are shared by the parties)
  - The seeds  $s_{a,1}^{0}$ ,  $s_{a,1}^{1}$ ,...,  $s_{a,n}^{0}$ ,  $s_{a,n}^{1}$ ,  $s_{b,1}^{0}$ ,  $s_{b,1}^{1}$ ,...,  $s_{b,n}^{0}$ ,  $s_{b,n}^{1}$ , and  $s_{c,1}^{0}$ ,  $s_{c,1}^{1}$ ,...,  $s_{c,n}^{0}$ ,  $s_{c,n}^{1}$
  - Gate type (AND, OR, etc.)
- The size of this function is independent of the circuit size
- The parties can run a secure computation to compute the table (using, e.g., GMW etc.)



# The BMR protocol

- Offline: The parties securely compute together a 4x1 table for every gate (in parallel for all gates):
  - This is essentially a secure computation of the table
  - All tables are computed in parallel. Therefore overall O(1) rounds.
  - This is the main bottleneck of the BMR protocol (FairplayMP optimizes this computation).
- Online: Given the tables and the seeds of the input values, compute the circuit as in Yao.



## Summary

- Can compute any functionality securely in presence of semi-honest adversaries.
- The Yao and BMR protocols are efficient, for circuits that are not too large.
- Obtaining security against malicious adversaries is hard.

