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**Foundations of Cryptography**  
**Lecture 25**

**$O(1)$ -Round  
Two-Party Computation**

# Secure Two-Party Computation

Input:  $x$



Alice



Input:  $y$



Bob

- Alice and Bob want to compute  $F(x, y)$ .

## Semi-honest Security:

Parties should not learn anything more than their inputs and  $F(x, y)$ .

# Secure Two-Party Computation

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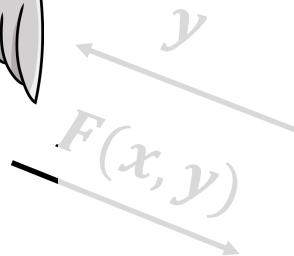
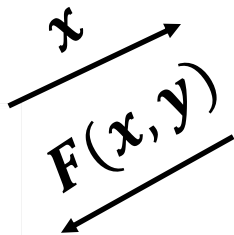
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# Secure MPC

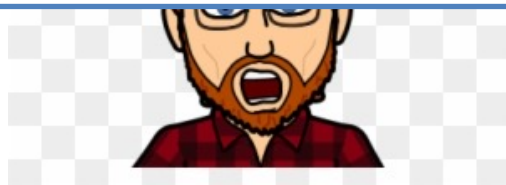
***Theorem*** [Goldreich-Micali-Wigderson'87]:

OT can solve *any* multi-party computation problem.

***One year before '87...***

***Theorem (Yao'86):***

**OT+OWF** solve *any* **two**-party computation problem.



# Secure 2PC from OT

- **Constant Round!!**
- Groundbreaking generic solution
- Inspired GMW'87 and more
- **Beyond secure computation**
  - Computing on encrypted data
  - **Secure function evaluation**
  - Parallel cryptography
  - ...
  - **Garbling as Randomized Encoding of functions [IK'00,IK'02,AIK'04,AIK'06]...**



# Secure Function Evaluation

Alice's private input is  $C: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow x$

Bob's private input is  $x$

Goal: Compute  $C(x)$

Q: Is  $iO$  a solution?

A: depends...

 SFE needs interaction

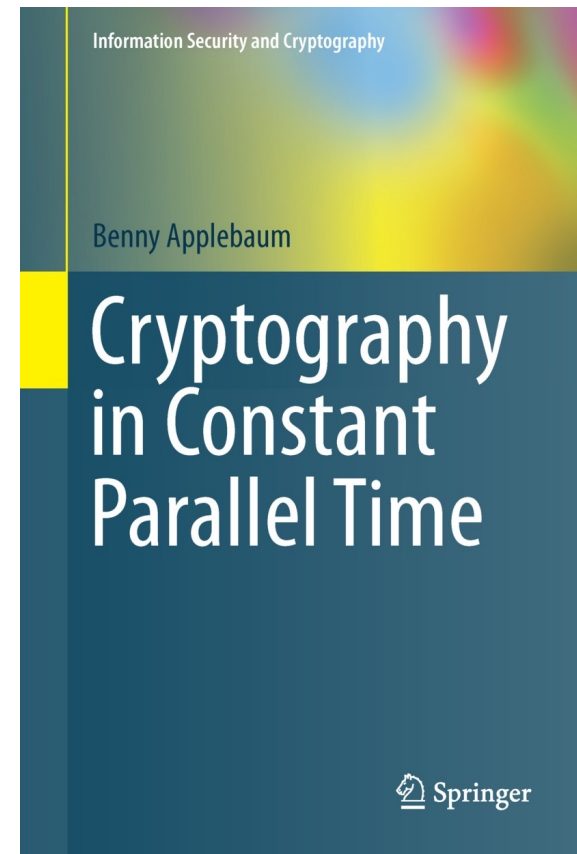
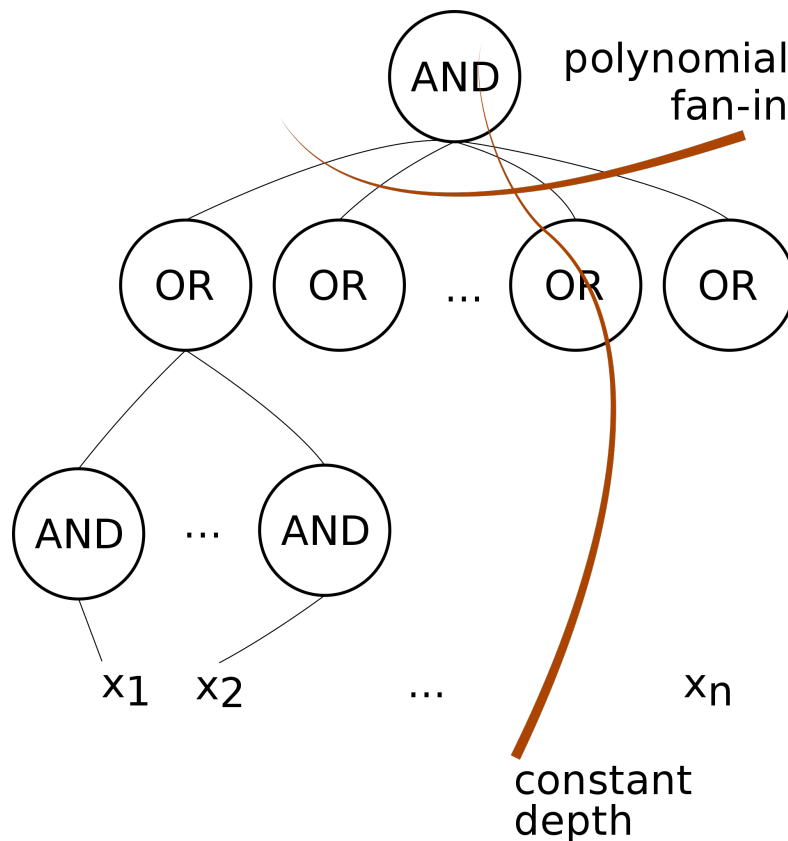
 But SFE gives one-time evaluation *only*.

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# Parallel Cryptography

Can we do super-fast cryptography?



# Complexity of the 2-party solution

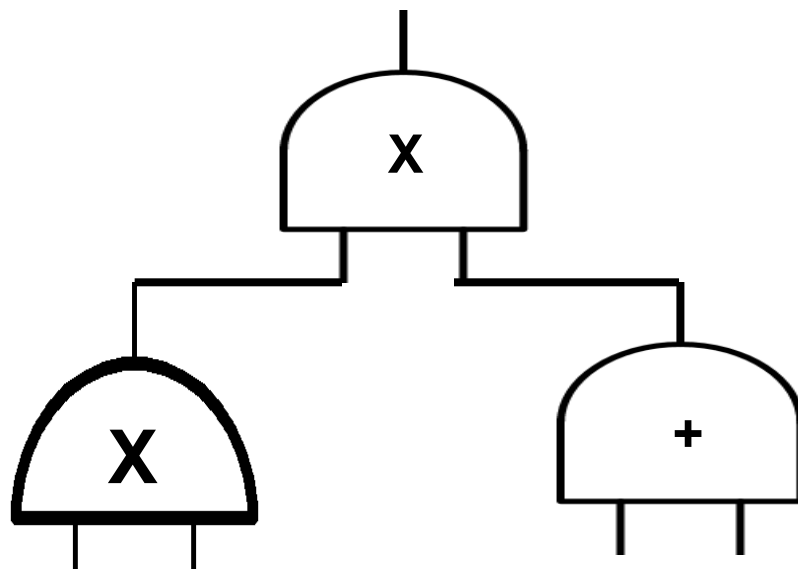
$f$  computed by circuit  $C$

$$C(x, y): \{0,1\}^n \times \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^m$$

2PC efficiency	GMW'87	Garbled Circuit
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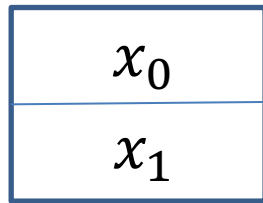
# How to Compute Arbitrary Functions

For us, programs = functions = Boolean circuits with XOR ( $+ \text{ mod } 2$ ) and AND ( $\times \text{ mod } 2$ ) gates.



*Goal:* Compute every gate without knowing what the inputs and outputs are

# Tool: Oblivious Transfer (OT)



Sender



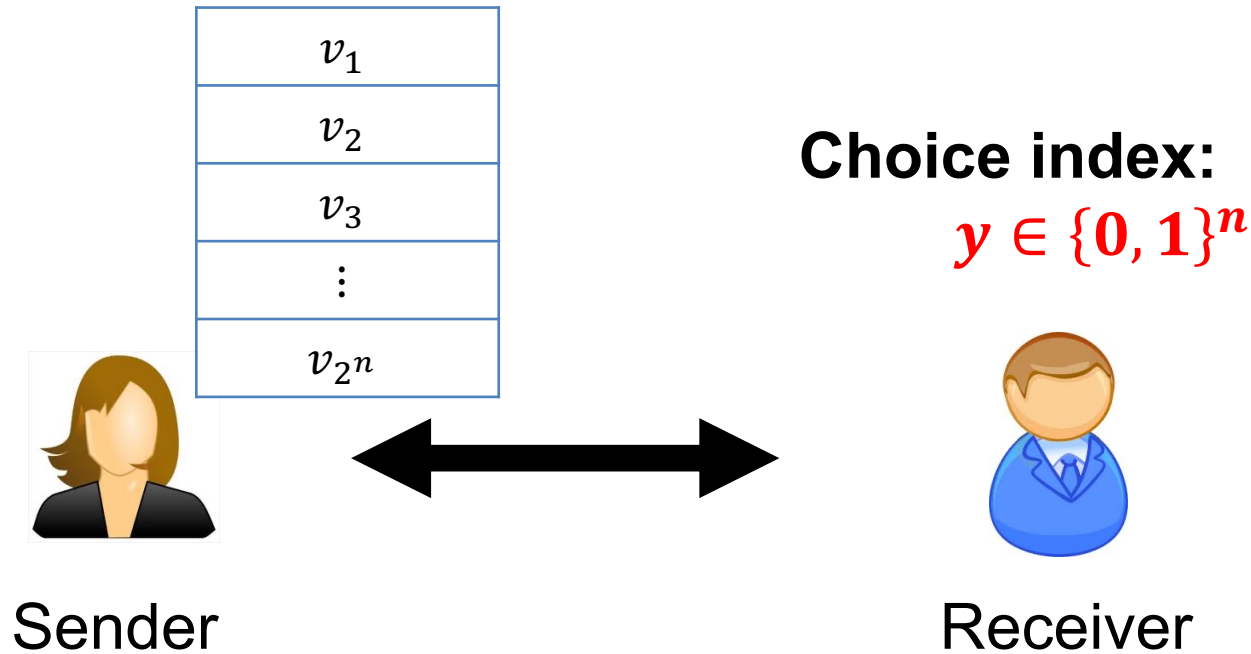
Choice bit:  $b$



Receiver

- Sender holds two bits  $x_0$  and  $x_1$ .
- Receiver holds a choice bit  $b$ .
- Receiver should learn  $x_b$ , sender should learn nothing.

# What if we have 1-out-of- $2^n$ OT?



Sender holds  $2^n$  bits

= PIR except we also require that receiver learns nothing but  $x_y$ .

- Receiver should learn  $x_y$ , sender should learn nothing.

# OT on Truth table?

Input:  $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$

$f(x, \mathbf{0}^n)$
$f(x, \mathbf{0}^{n-1}\mathbf{1})$
$f(x, \mathbf{0}^{n-2}\mathbf{1}\mathbf{0})$
$\vdots$
$f(x, \mathbf{1}^n)$

Input:  $y \in \{0, 1\}^n$



Alice



Bob

Gate-by-gate on circuit of  $f$ !

- itself is already inefficient!

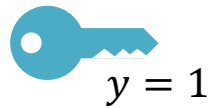
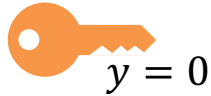


Instead of deriving the OT-by-OT protocol of GMW'87...

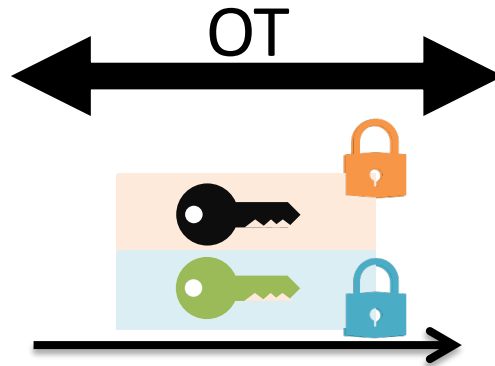
## **Fun with Lockboxes**

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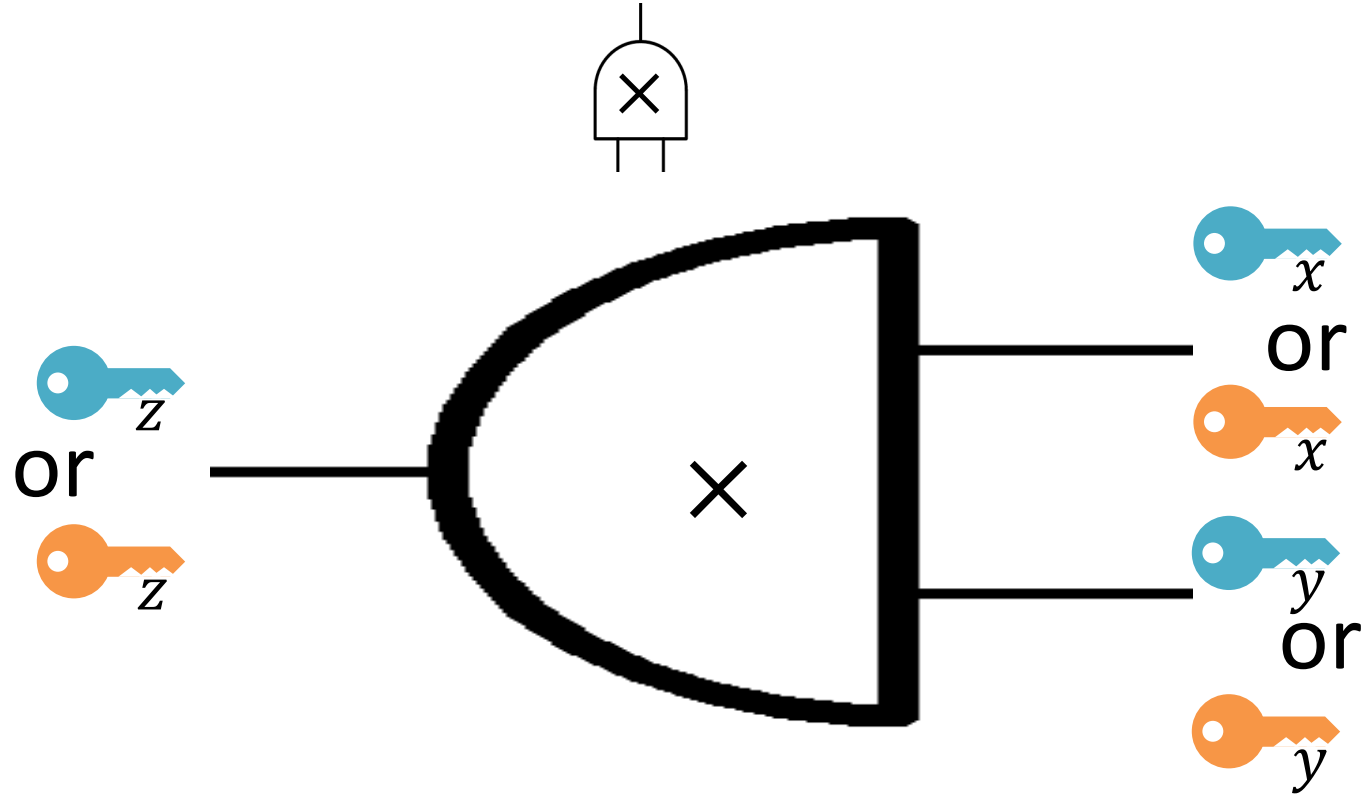


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Possession of  or  is information!

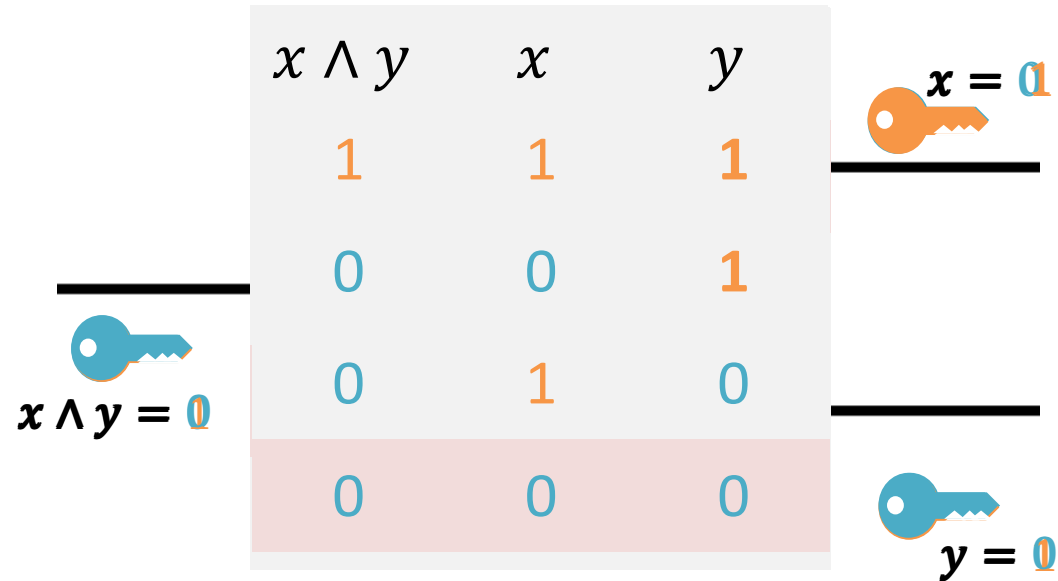
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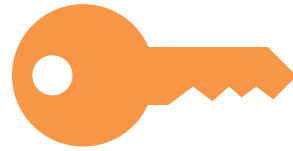
• Blue/orange means 1/0, but keys on different wires, even with same colors, are different



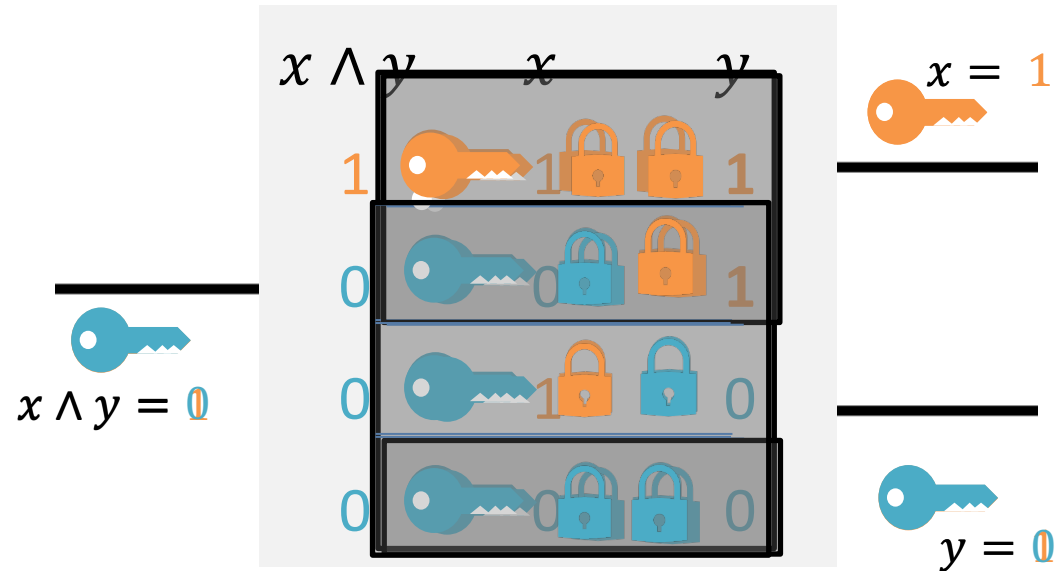
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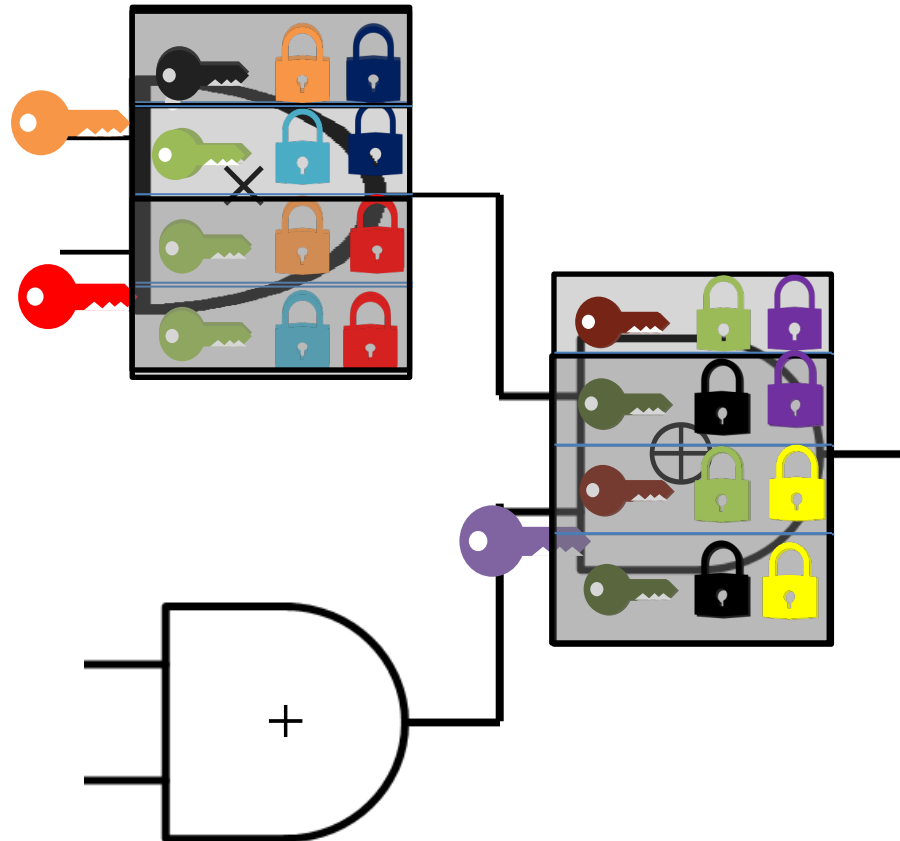


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# Garbled Evaluation

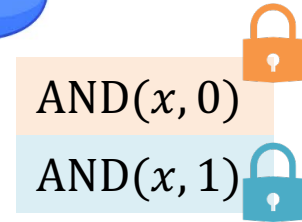
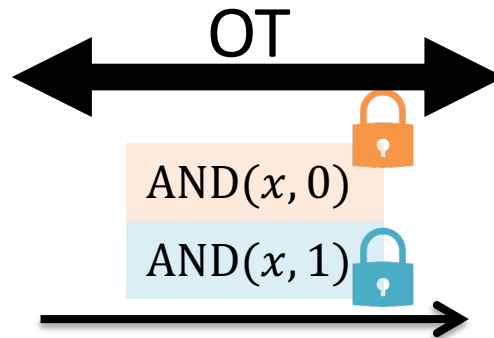
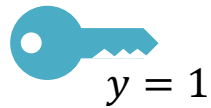
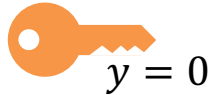


# **Crypto Lockboxes**

# Crypto 2PC

Input:  $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$

Input:  $y \in \{0, 1\}^m$



- Alice puts results in IND-CPA encryption
- Bob gets key via some crypto OT mechanism
- Bob tries to open both boxes using the key he received.

What about last point?



# Tool: *Special* CPA Encryption

CPA-secure secret-key encryption (Gen, Enc, Dec) that satisfies

- 1. Elusive range** --- Let  $k \leftarrow_R \text{Gen}(1^n)$ . Any p.p.t. adversary  $A$  cannot generate ciphertext encrypted under  $k$ , w/o  $k$ .
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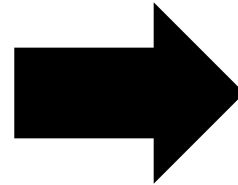
Construction:

Let  $F_k: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{2n}$  be a PRF,

$$E_k(m; r) := F_k(r) \oplus (m || 0^n).$$

# Crypto Lockboxes

$x$	$y$	$z$
1	1	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
0	0	0



Garbled gate

$E_{k_x^1}(E_{k_y^1}(k_z^1))$
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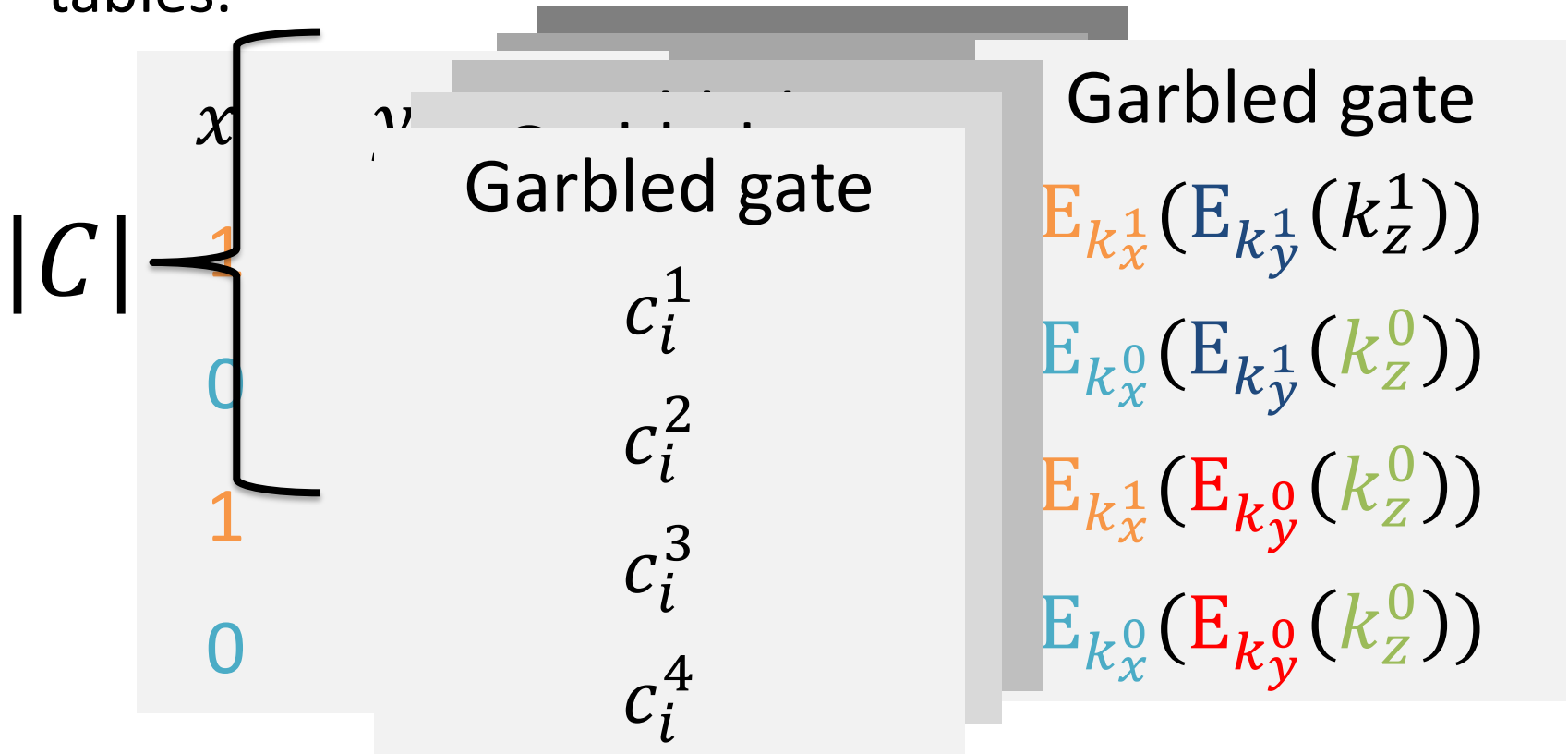
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# Protocol Sketch

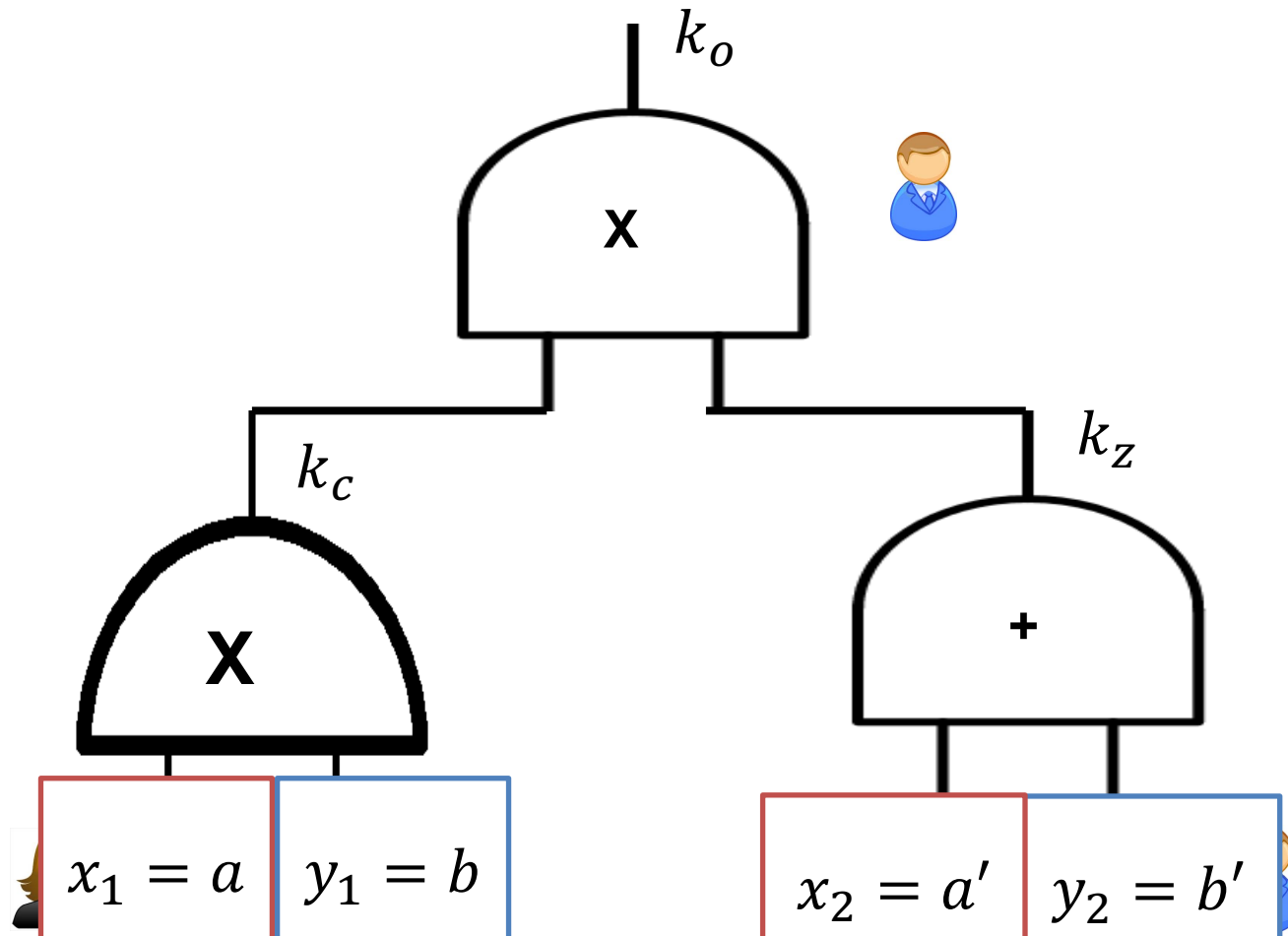
# Yao's protocol: Garbling

- *Keys generation*: For each wire  $w$  of  $C$ , Alice generates a pair of keys  $k_w^0, k_w^1$ .
- *Gate Garbling*: For each gate  $z \leftarrow G(x, y)$ , compute the tables.



# Yao's protocol: Evaluator Bob

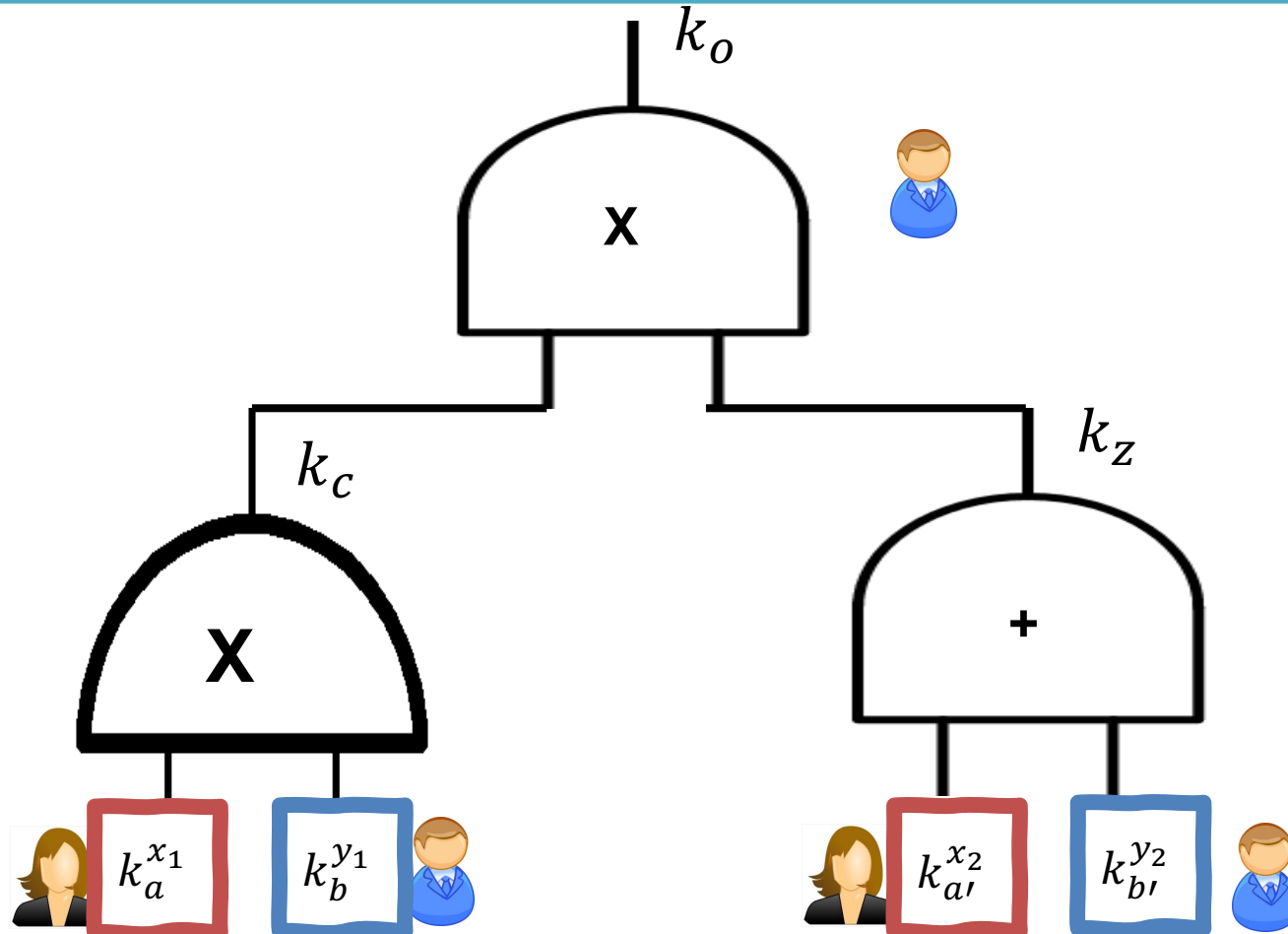
*Key Invariant:* For each wire  $w$  of the circuit, Bob can obtain exactly one of the two keys from  $k_w^0, k_w^1$ .



# Yao's protocol: Evaluator Bob

*Base case:*

- Alice's input  $x_i \in \{0,1\}$ : Alice send the correct key  $k_i^{x_i}$ .
- Bob's input  $y_i \in \{0,1\}$ : they runs OT on  $((k_i^0, k_i^1), y_i)$ .



# Yao's protocol: Evaluator Bob

*Inductive step:*

Assume: Bob has one key for each input wire

- Bob can get exactly one key for the output wire by trying all four ciph

$$k_o^{(x_1+x_2)(x_1 \wedge x_2)}$$

## Efficiently verifiable range

$\text{Check}(1^n, k, c) \in \{0,1\}$  checks if

$c$  is encrypted under  $k$ .





# Evaluating One Gate

*Inductive step:*

Oops..

This procedure, as-is, is actually insecure.

trying all four ciphertexts.

**Recall:**

**Given**  $k_x^{b_x}$ ,  $k_y^{b_y}$ ,

➤ Try all four rows  
to obtain  $k_z^{b_x \wedge b_y}$

Garbled gate

$$E_{k_x^1}(E_{k_y^1}(k_z^1))$$

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# Reconstructing Output

*Key Invariant:* For each wire of the circuit, Bob can obtain exactly one of the two keys associated with each wire.



After evaluation, Bob learns  $k_o \in \{k_o^0, k_o^1\}$ .

➤ Bob simply asks Alice if  $k_o$  is  $k_o^0$  or  $k_o^1$ .

$$k_o^{(x_1+x_2)(x_1 \wedge x_2)}$$

Can we avoid this final round?



# **Garbling as a Standalone Tool**

# Q: Difference with $iO$ ?

- **Input:** Boolean circuit  $C: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$
- **Output:** Garbled circuit  $G(C)$  and input labels  $\{(L_1^0, L_1^1), \dots, (L_n^0, L_n^1)\}$



**Goal:** Given  $G(C)$  and  $L_1^{x_1}, \dots, L_n^{x_n}$

- It is possible to compute  $C(x_1 \dots x_n)$
- It is not possible to learn any additional information other than size of circuit or input

For example, for  $x = 010$ , labels are  $L_1^0, L_2^1, L_3^0$

# 2PC Using Garbled Circuits

Input will be  $x, y$

Common input:  $C: \{0,1\}^{2n} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$



Input:  $x \in \{0,1\}^n$

Compute  $G(C)$  and labels  $\{(L_i^0, L_i^1)\}_{i \in [2n]}$

Garbled circuit  $G(C)$

Input labels  $L_1^{x_1}, \dots, L_n^{x_n}$  for  $x$



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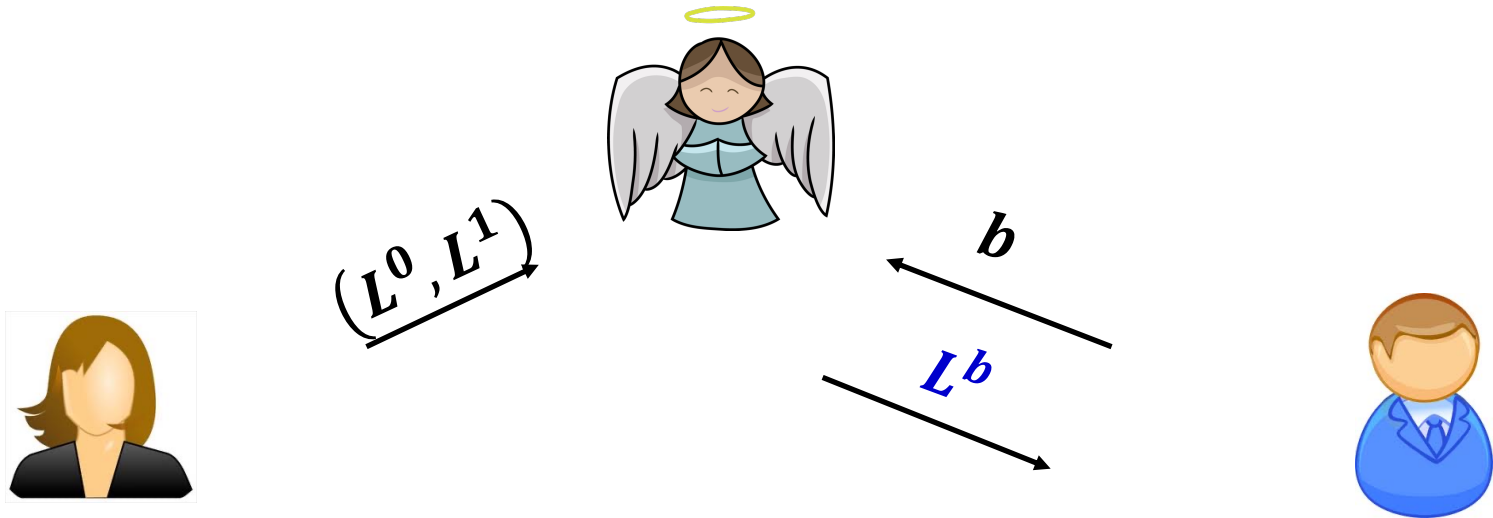
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# Simulation Proof Sketch

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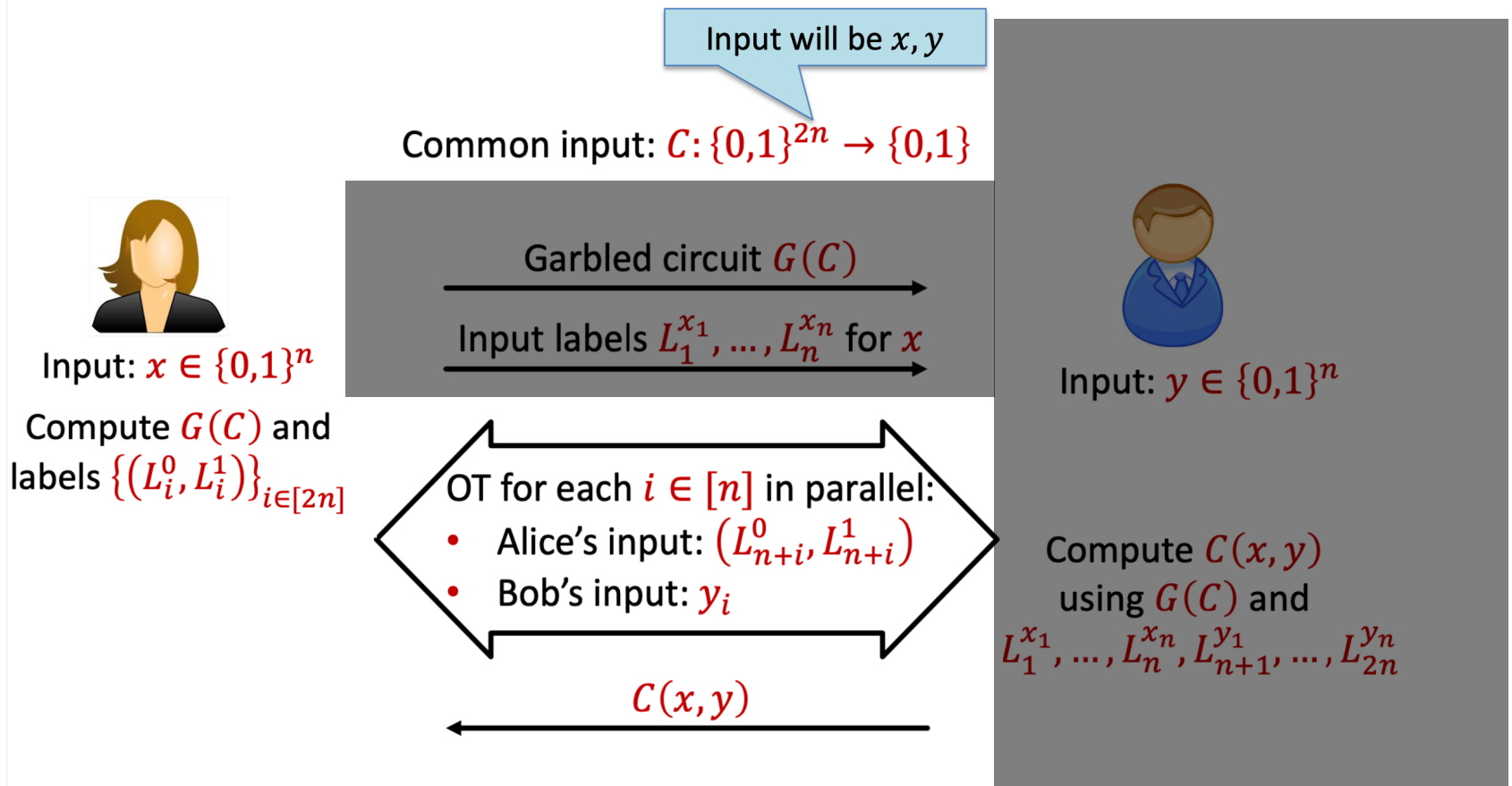
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- Implemented by secure simulatable OT.



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Alice's View

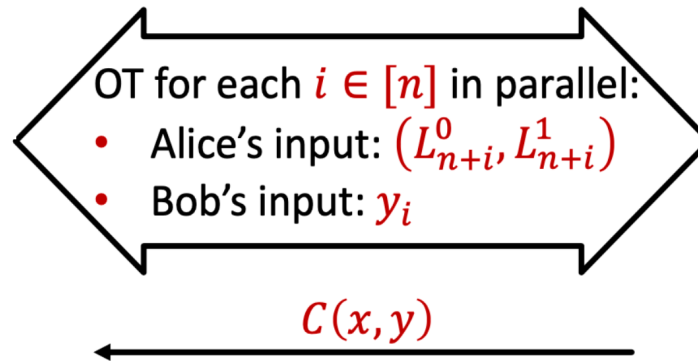
- OT transcripts
- $C(x, y)$



$\text{Sim}(C, x, f(x, y)) :$

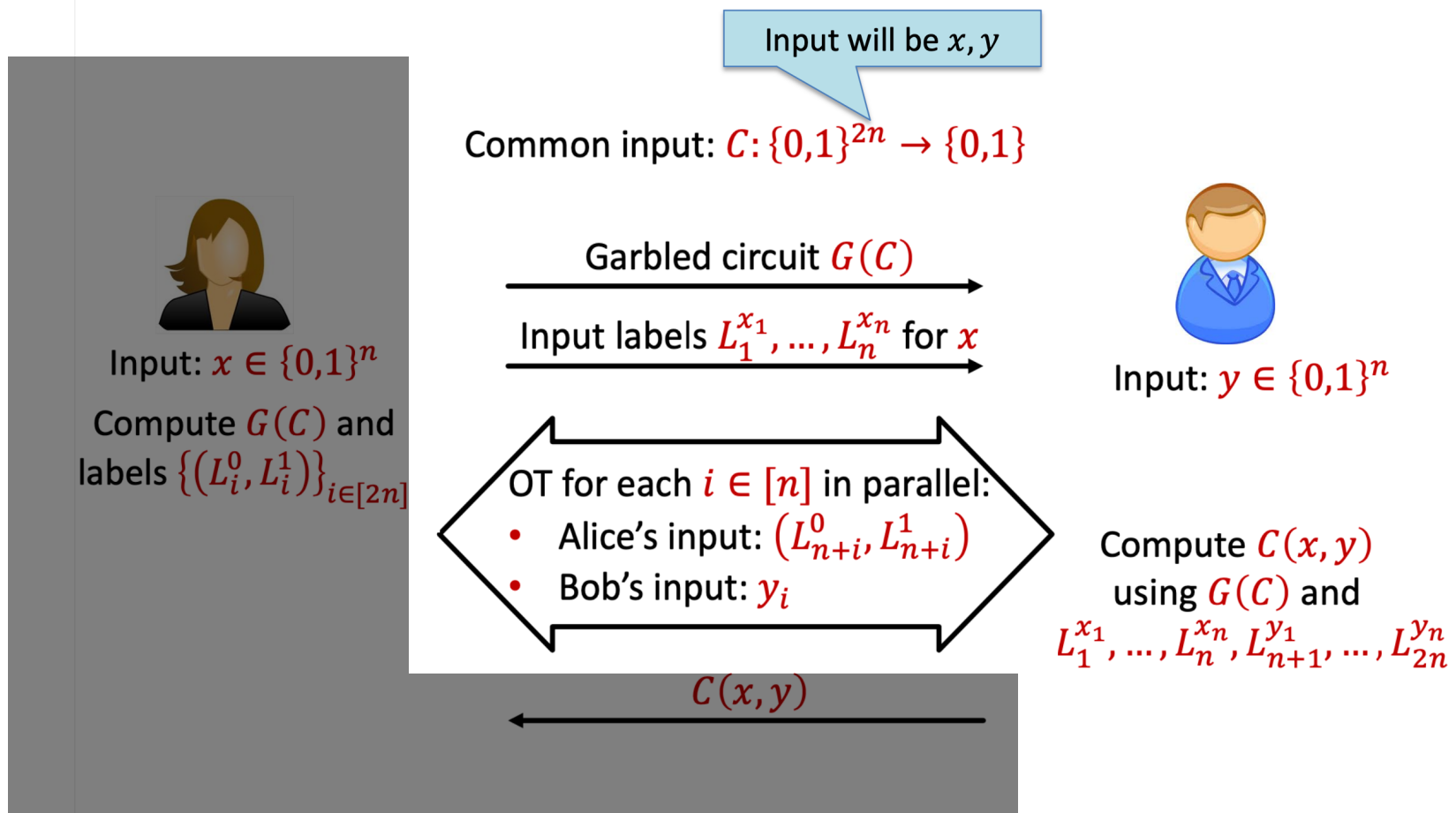
Output

$\{\{\text{Sim}_{\text{OT}}^A(L_{n+i}^0, L_{n+i}^1)\}_i$   
 $f(x, y)\}$



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# Simulating Bob

OT Simulation:

$$\text{View}_{\text{OT}}^B \approx \text{Sim}_{\text{OT}}^B(1^n, y_i, L_{n+i}^{y_i}).$$



OT for each  $i \in [n]$  in parallel:

- Alice's input:  $(L_{n+i}^0, L_{n+i}^1)$
- Bob's input:  $y_i$

Assume we already simulated  $L_{n+i}^B$  with the correct distribution.

# Simulating Bob

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# Step 1: Generate Dummy Labels

- *Label generation*: For each wire  $w$  of  $C$ , generates a pair of keys  $L_w^0, L_w^1$ .
- *Label simulation*: For all input wire  $i$ , let  $\widetilde{L}_i^{x_i} := L_i^0$ .

## Sanity Check:

This replacement is fine because keys are randomly generated.

# Step 2.a: Simulate Fake Gates

- *Garbled gate simulation*: Replace intermediate ciphertexts with junks.

$\sigma \cdot$

Garbled gate

$$\begin{matrix} E_{L_x^1}(E_{L_y^1}(L_z^1)) \\ E_{L_x^0}(E_{L_y^1}(L_z^0)) \\ E_{L_x^1}(E_{L_y^0}(L_z^0)) \\ E_{L_x^0}(E_{L_y^0}(L_z^0)) \end{matrix} \approx \tau \cdot$$

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- the rows are randomly permuted ( $\sigma, \tau \in Perm([4])$ )
- only a random row can be decrypted
- the junk entries are w.h.p. non-decryptable.

# Step 2.b: Simulate Output

- *Generate the following decoding table*

Output label	Decoded result
$L_o^0$	$C(x, y)$
$L_o^1$	$1 - C(x, y)$

**Sanity Check:** This is fine because the label  $L_o^0$  might as well be encoding  $1$ .

input labels  $L_1, \dots, L_n$  for  $x$

Input:  $y \in \{0,1\}^n$




# Simulating Bob

Bob's View

- Wire labels
- Garbled tables
- Final decoding table
- OT transcripts

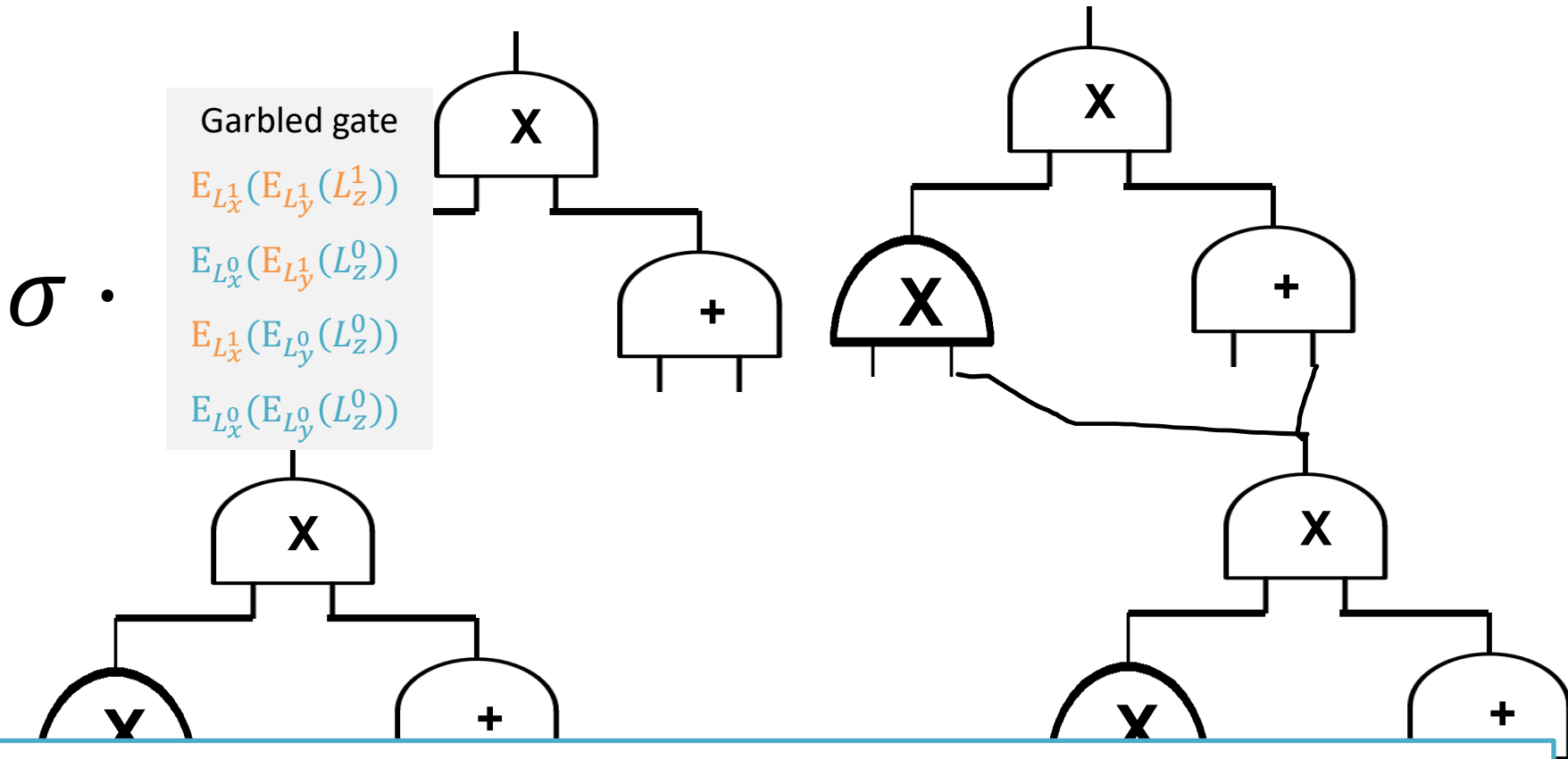


$\text{Sim}(C, y, f(x, y)) :$

- Simulate labels
- $\text{Sim}_{\text{OT}}^B(L_y^{yi})$  
- Simulate garbled gates
- Simulate final decoding table.

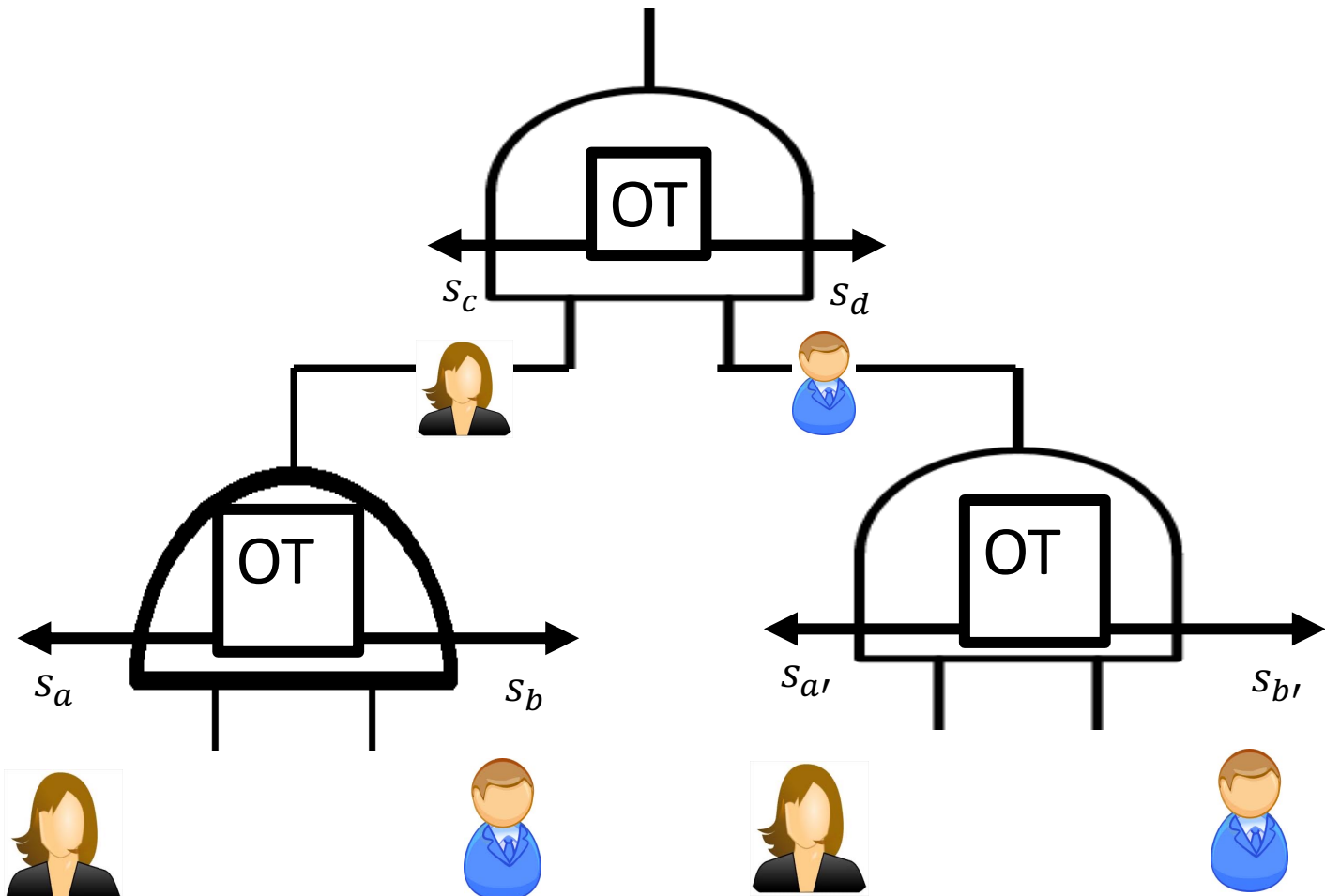
**Efficiency**

# Garbling is parallelizable



**Parallelism:** Each garbled gate is computed locally (only depends on  $(L_x^0, L_x^1)$ ,  $(L_y^0, L_y^1)$ ,  $(L_z^0, L_z^1)$ , generated at the very beginning).

# Why is GMW sequential?



**Sequentiality:** Input to next OT is output from previous OT.

# Garbled-circuit 2PC

$f$  computed by circuit  $C$

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# Optimization 1: Free XOR trick

In GMW or BGW, linear (XOR) gates are free (no communication).

Can we say something for Garbled circuits?

**Theorem [Kolesnikov, Schneider'08]:** If we generate labels *carefully*, then there is no need to send garbled XOR tables.



**Observation:** do not use so much randomness.

# Optimization 1: Free XOR trick

**Rough intuition:**

**Acceptable correlations of labels:**

- Pick global  $R$ , a random value hidden from evaluator
- Generate non-XOR-output wire  $w$  subject to

$$L_w^b = L_w^{1-b} \oplus R$$

Now if  $z = x \oplus y$ , we define  $L_z = L_x \oplus L_y$ .

$$1. L_z^1 = L_x^0 \oplus L_y^1 = L_x^0 \oplus L_y^0 \oplus R = L_x^1 \oplus L_y^0.$$

$$2. L_z^0 = L_x^1 \oplus L_y^0 = L_x^1 \oplus L_y^1 \oplus R = L_x^0 \oplus L_y^1.$$



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# Optimization 2: Half-Gates

**Half-gate trick [Zahur, Rosulek, Evans'15]:** Keeping XOR gates free, AND gate can be 2 ct each.

technique	size per gate		calls to $H$ per gate			
	XOR	AND	generator		evaluator	
			XOR	AND	XOR	AND
classical [31]	4	4	4	4	4	4
point-permute [3]	4	4	4	4	1	1
row reduction (GRR3) [27]	3	3	4	4	1	1
row reduction (GRR2) [28]	2	2	4	4	1	1
free XOR + GRR3 [20]	0	3	0	4	0	1
flexOR [19]	{0, 1, 2}	2	{0, 2, 4}	4	{0, 1, 2}	1
<b>half gates [this work]</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	0	4	0	2

**Table 1.** Optimizations of garbled circuits. Size is number of “ciphertexts” (multiples of  $k$  bits).



# Optimization 3: Beyond Half-Gates

**Slicing & Dicing [Rosulek, Roy'21]:** Keeping XOR gates free, AND gate can be 1.5 ct plus 5 bits each.

scheme	GC size ( $\kappa$ bits / gate)		calls to $H$ per gate				assump.
	AND	XOR	garbler		evaluator		
	AND	XOR	AND	XOR	AND	XOR	
unoptimized textbook Yao	8	8	4	4	2.5	2.5	PRF
Yao + point-permute [BMR90]	4	4	4	4	1	1	PRF
4 $\rightarrow$ 3 row reduction [NPS99]	3	3	4	4	1	1	PRF
4 $\rightarrow$ 2 row reduction [PSSW09]	2	2	4	4	1	1	PRF
free-XOR [KS08]	3	0	4	0	1	0	CCR
fleXOR [KMR14]	2	{0, 1, 2}	4	{0, 2, 4}	1	{0, 1, 2}	CCR
half-gates [ZRE15]	2	0	4	0	2	0	CCR
[GLNP15]	2	1	4	3	2	1.5	PRF
<b>ours</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0</b>	$\leq 6$	0	$\leq 3$	0	CCR

Credit: Table taken from proceedings version of [RR'21].

# Malicious Alice

**What can a malicious garbler do?**

# Simple Generic Defense Cut-and-choose

## *Rough sketch:*

- Alice commits to  $q$  garbled gates and the randomness in generating them.
- Bob opens all but one instances, including all the labels, and check that gates are garbled correctly; if not, abort.
- Use the unopened GC to compute.

**Note:** Use of commitment is crucial:

**How do we get soundness error:  $2^{-\Omega(q)}$ ?**

# Malicious Bob

**What can a malicious evaluator do?**

**Next class:  
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