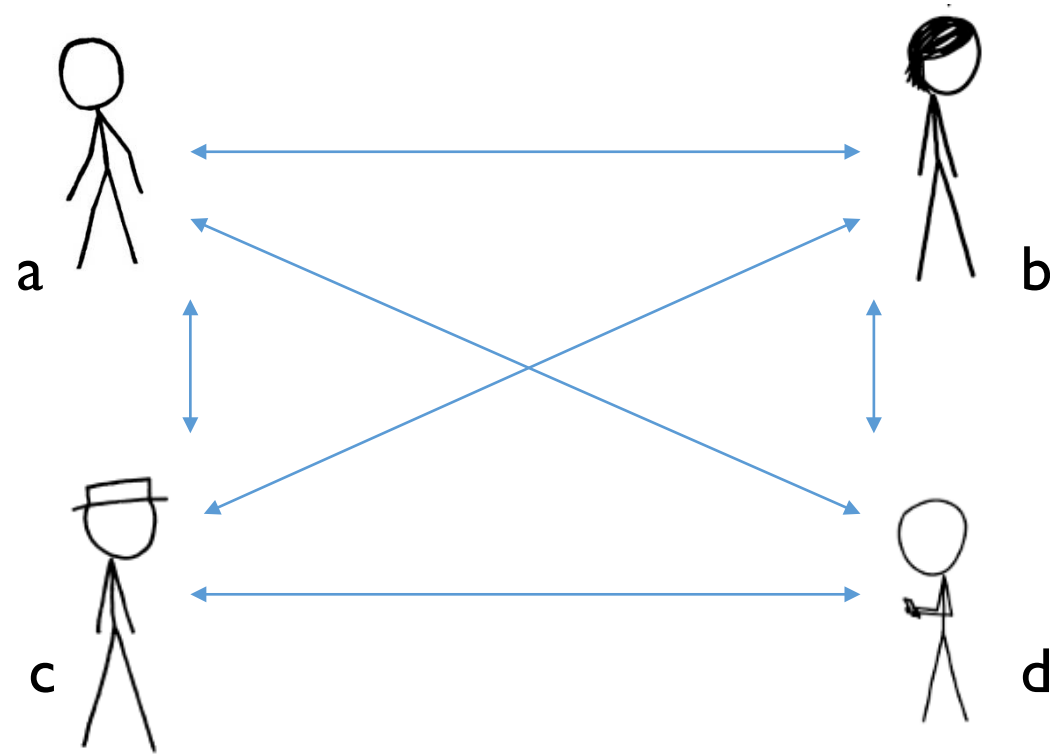


Efficient MPC From Syndrome Decoding

Or: Honey, I Shrunk the Keys

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Secure Multi-Party Computation



Goal: Compute $f(a,b,c,d)$

Properties of secure computation protocols

- Computational model: Boolean/arithmetic circuits, RAM
- Adversary model:
 - **Passive** (semi-honest) or **active** (malicious)
 - **Threshold t** (number of corrupted parties)
- Efficiency:
 - Round/communication complexity
 - Computation

MPC setting in this talk

Main focus:

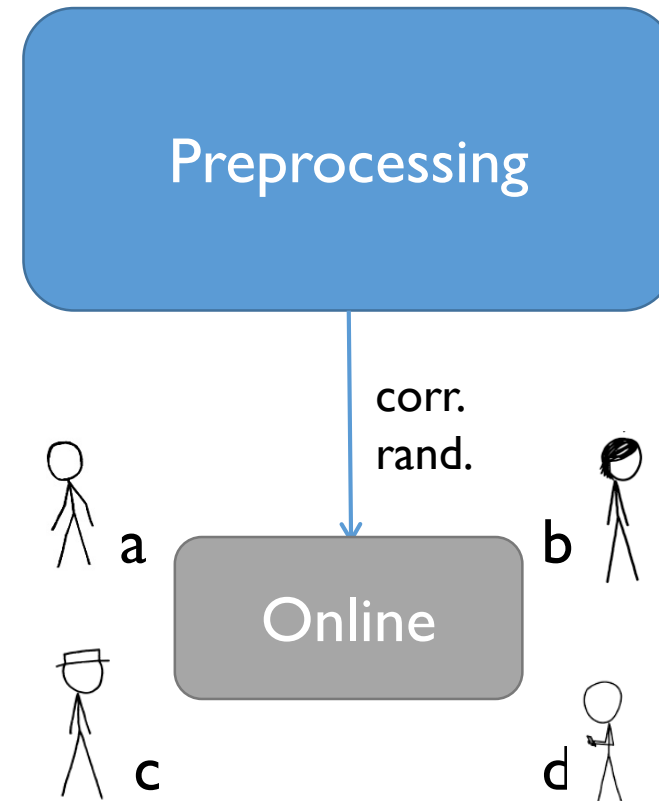
- Concrete efficiency for large numbers of parties (e.g. n in 10s, 100s)

Adversary:

- Static, passive
- Dishonest majority ($t > n/2$)

Model of Computation:

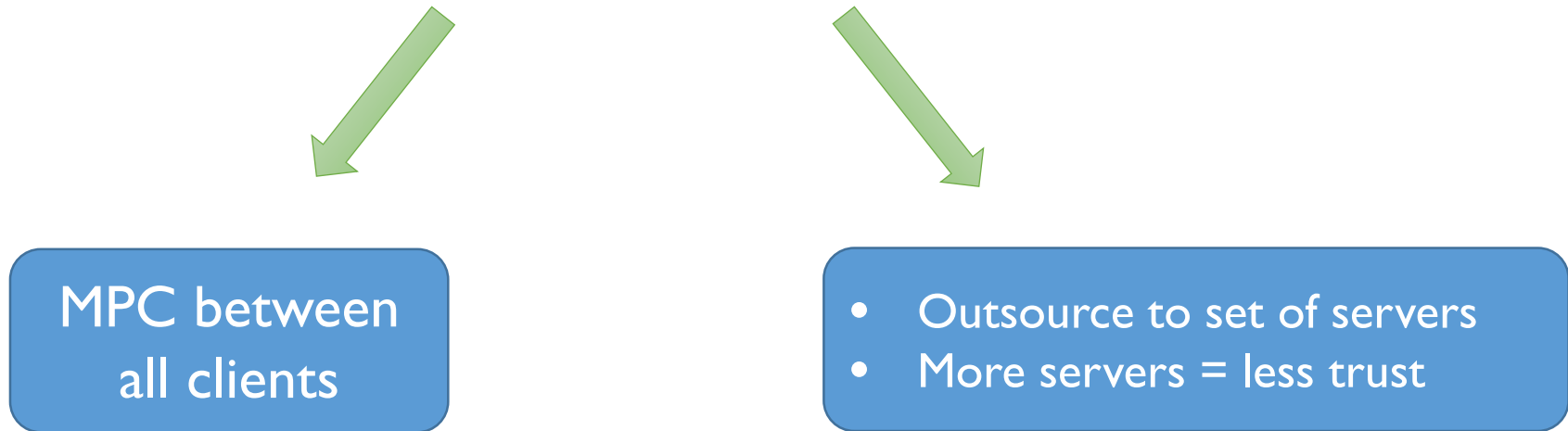
- Boolean circuits
- Preprocessing phase



Motivation for large-scale, dishonest majority MPC

Large number of clients/users want to aggregate data, statistical analysis, surveys etc.

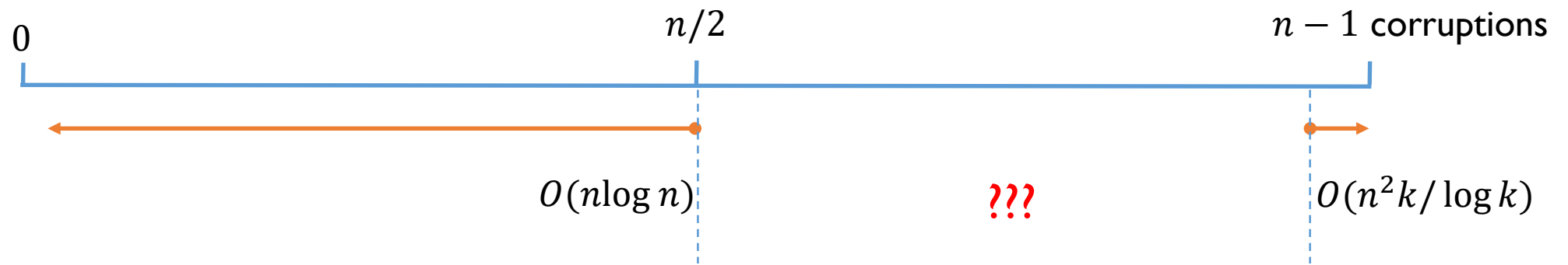
- E.g. statistics on Tor network activity, blockchain miners, app users etc.



Main question

Can we trade off the **number of corrupt parties** for a more efficient, **practical** protocol?

Corruption thresholds vs communication complexity of *practical* MPC

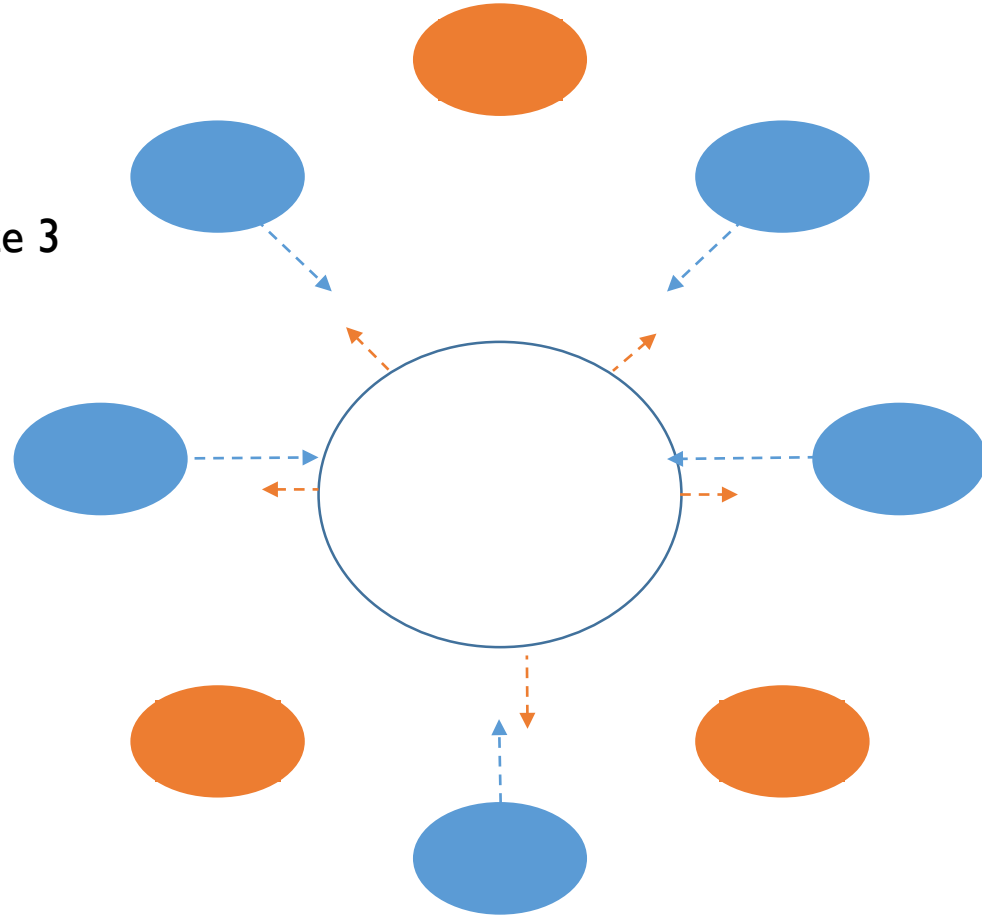


n parties, security k
Passive corruptions
Boolean circuits

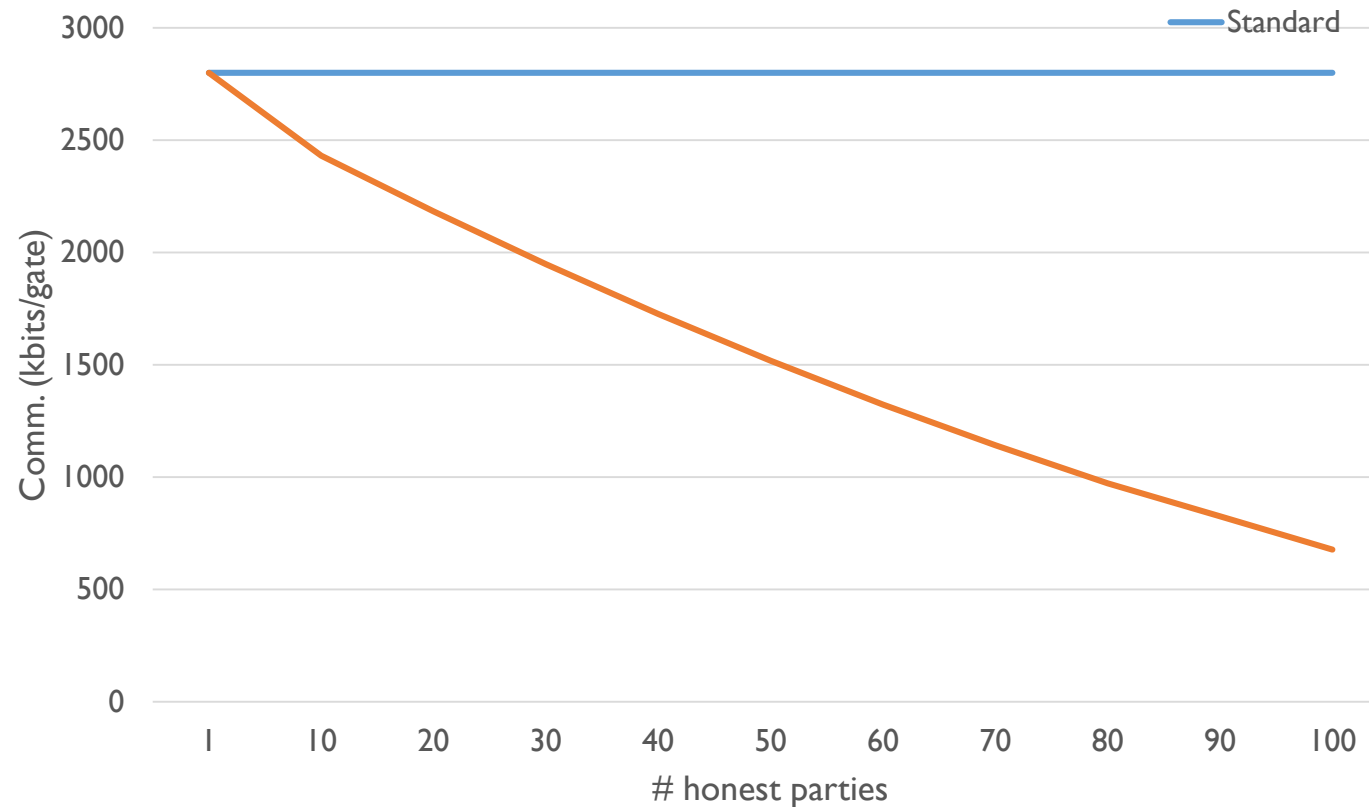
Naive committee-based approach for t corruption

2 corruptions:

- Choose committee of size 3



Savings from naive committee approach with 200 parties and GMW protocol



variant of GMW by [Dessouky Koushanfar Sadeghi Schneider Zeitouni Zohner 17]

An asymptotically better approach using random committees

[Bracha '87]

- Suppose $t = \epsilon n$ for constant $\epsilon \in (0,1)$
- Sample **random committee** C of size k
 - C runs threshold- $(n - 1)$ MPC protocol
 - Complexity: $O(k^3)$ per AND gate
- $\Pr[C \text{ is all corrupt}]$ is $\binom{t}{k} / \binom{n}{k}$
 - $\text{negl}(k)$ for large enough n
 - k can be **independent** of n

Can we do better? What about for smaller n ?

New approach: short keys for secure computation

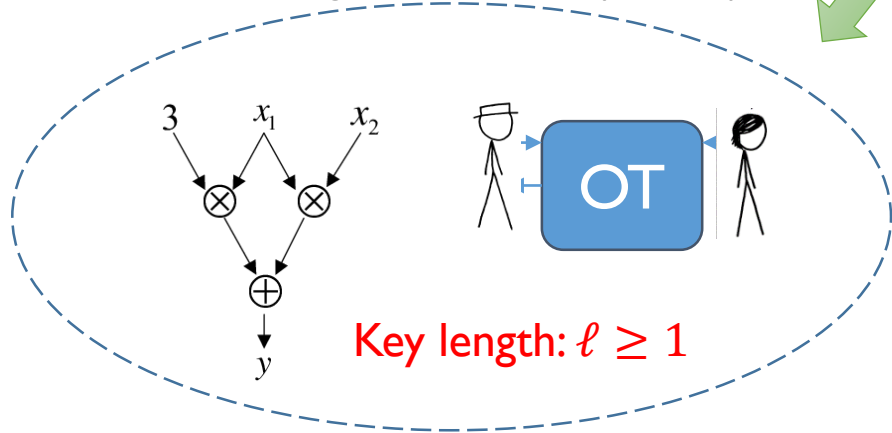
- Key idea:
 - “Weaken” existing protocol for $n - 1$ corruptions by **shrinking** secret keys
 - Rely on **concatenation** of all honest parties’ keys for security



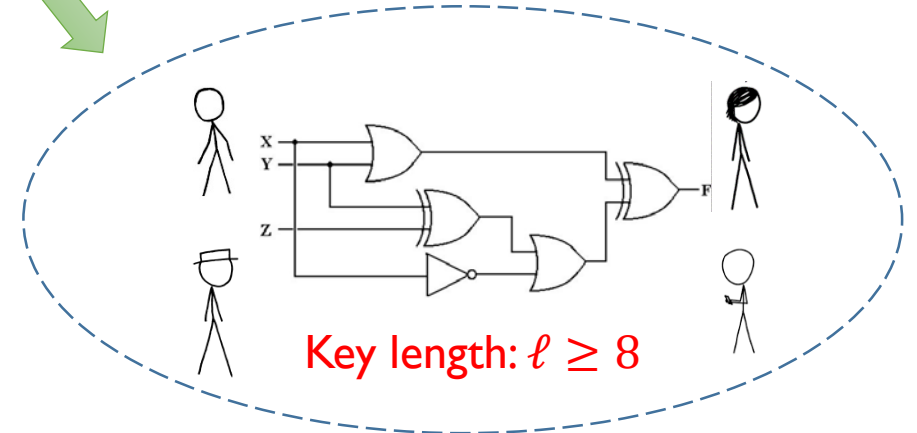
New MPC protocols with short keys and fewer corruptions

Short keys

Secret-sharing based MPC (GMW)



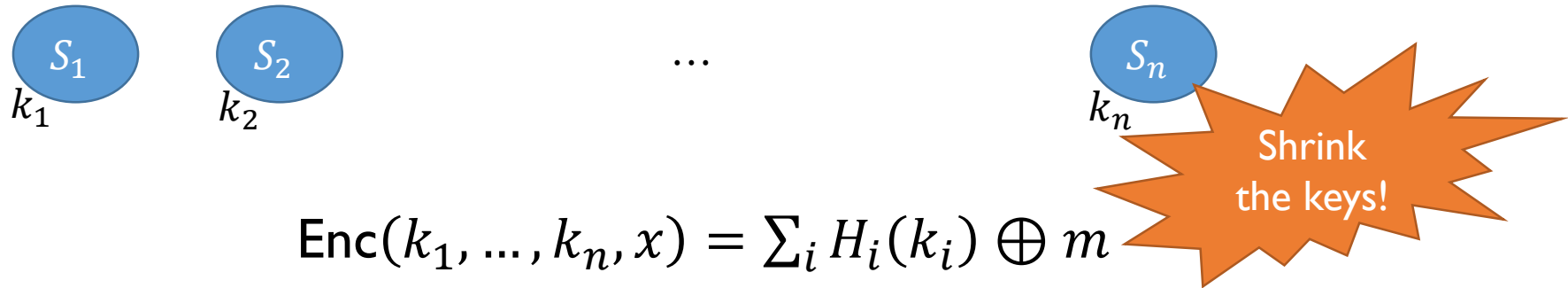
Multi-party garbled circuits (BMR)



More honesty \Rightarrow shorter keys \Rightarrow more efficiency

Toy example: simple distributed encryption scheme

- Key distributed across n servers



$$\text{Enc}(k_1, \dots, k_n, x) = \sum_i H_i(k_i) \oplus m$$

- Hard to guess m if at least one $k_i \in \{0,1\}^\lambda$ is unknown
- What is h keys are unknown?
 - Can k_i be smaller?

Why should this work?

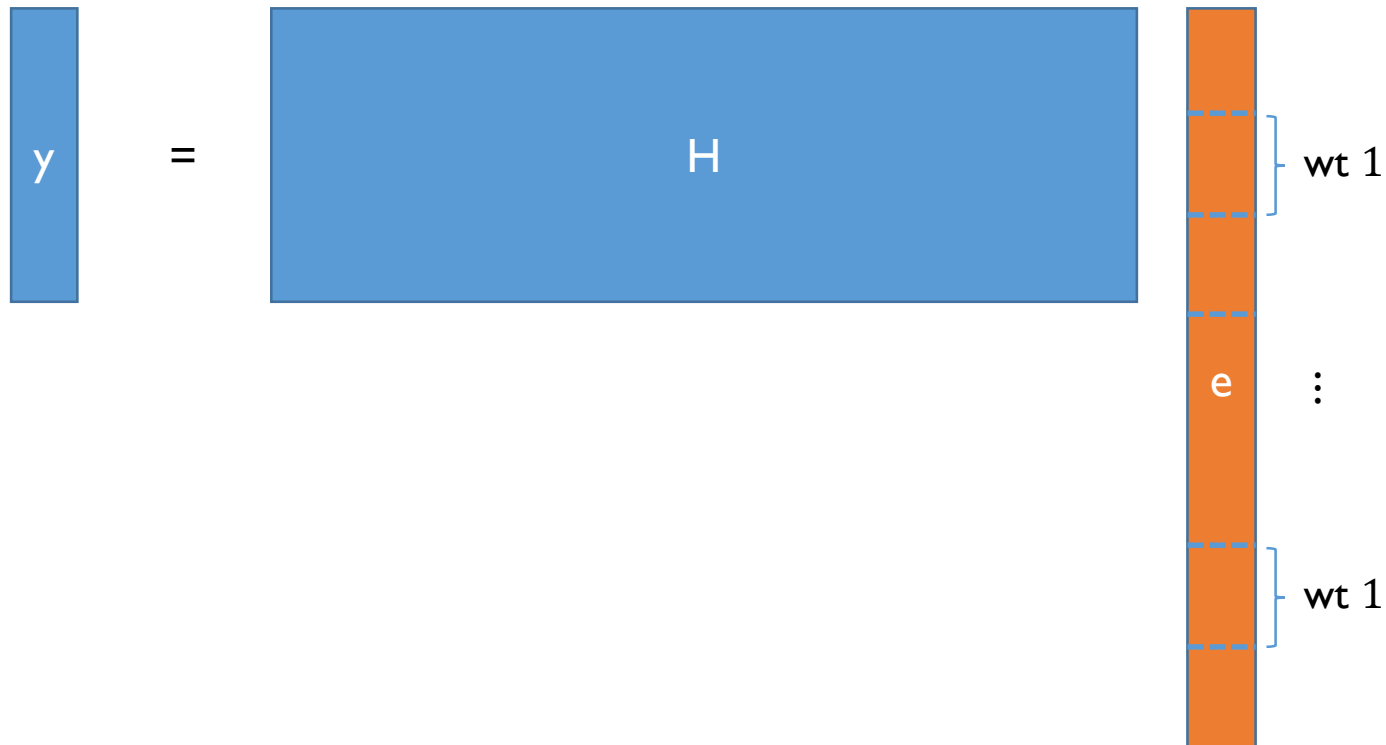
- Let $H_i: \{0,1\}^\ell \rightarrow \{0,1\}^r$ be a hash function
- Want

$$\sum_{i=1}^n H_i(k_i)$$

to be pseudorandom when $k_i \leftarrow \{0,1\}^\ell$ and h keys are unknown

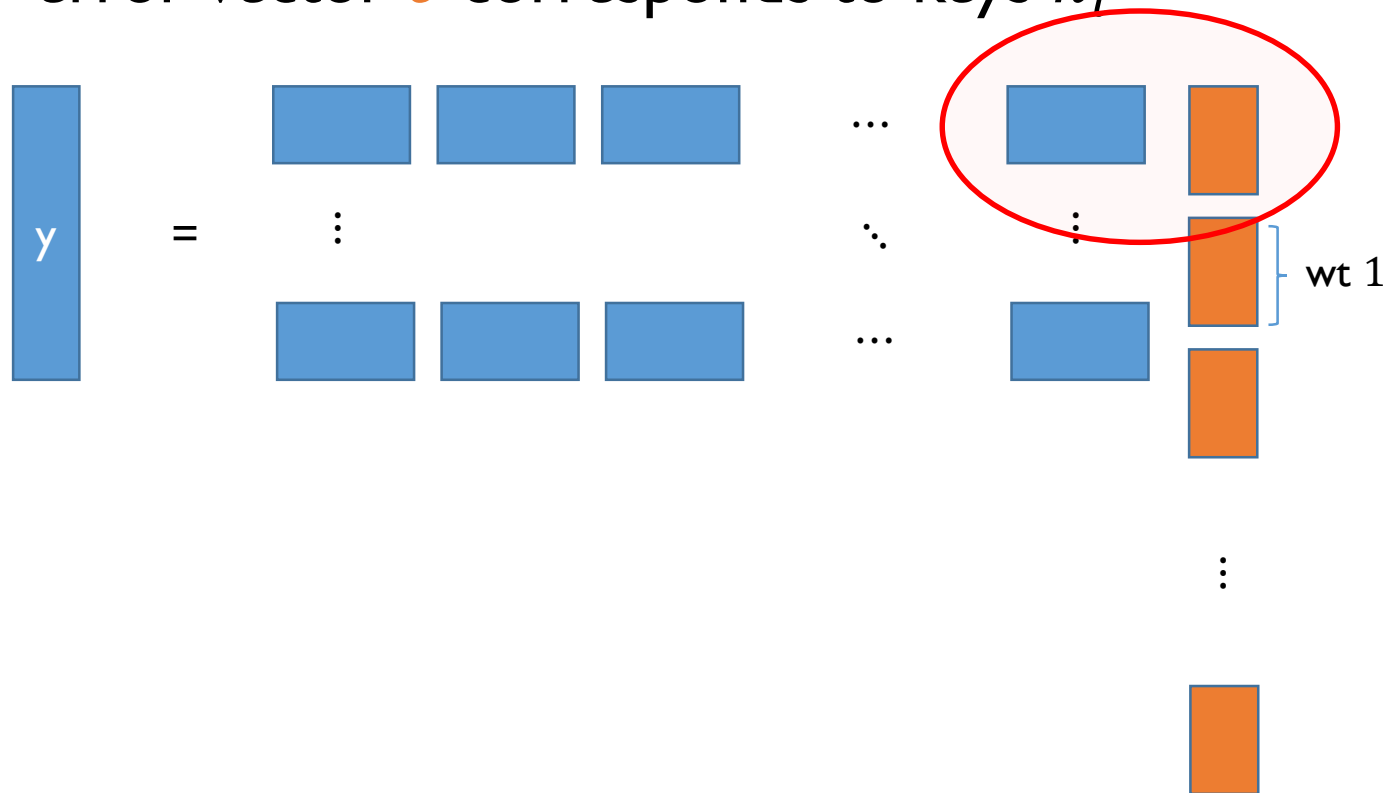
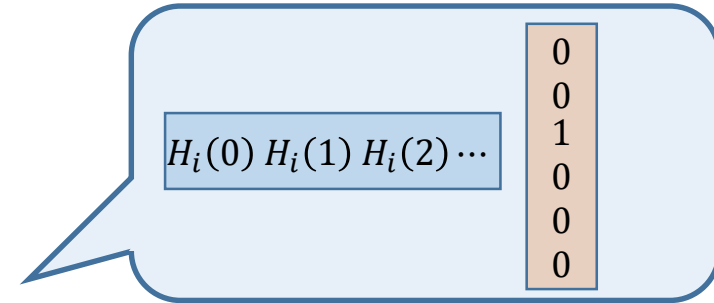
Regular syndrome decoding problem

- Sample random $H \in \{0,1\}^{r \times m}$, and regular $e \in \{0,1\}^m$ of weight h
- Given H and $y = He$, find e .



Equivalence of sum of hashes and regular syndrome decoding

- Fill columns of $H \in \{0,1\}^{r \times m}$ with all hash values $H_i(j)$
- Regular error vector e corresponds to keys k_i



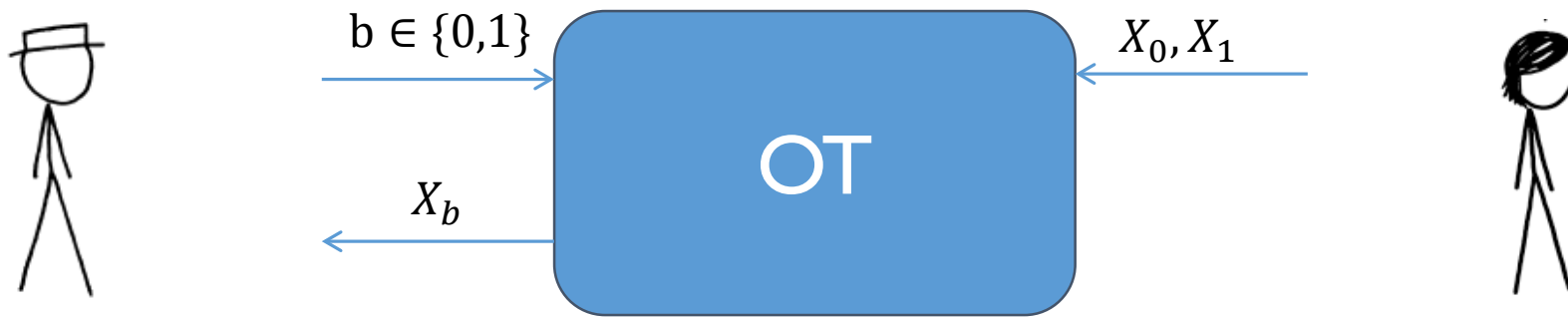
Hardness of regular syndrome decoding

- Parameters:
 - Key length ℓ , # keys h , output length r
- Used for SHA-3 candidate FSB [Augot Finiasz Sendrier 03]
 - Not much easier than syndrome decoding \Leftrightarrow LPN
- Search-to-decision reduction
(finding e as hard as distinguishing He from random)
- **Statistically hard** for small r /large h

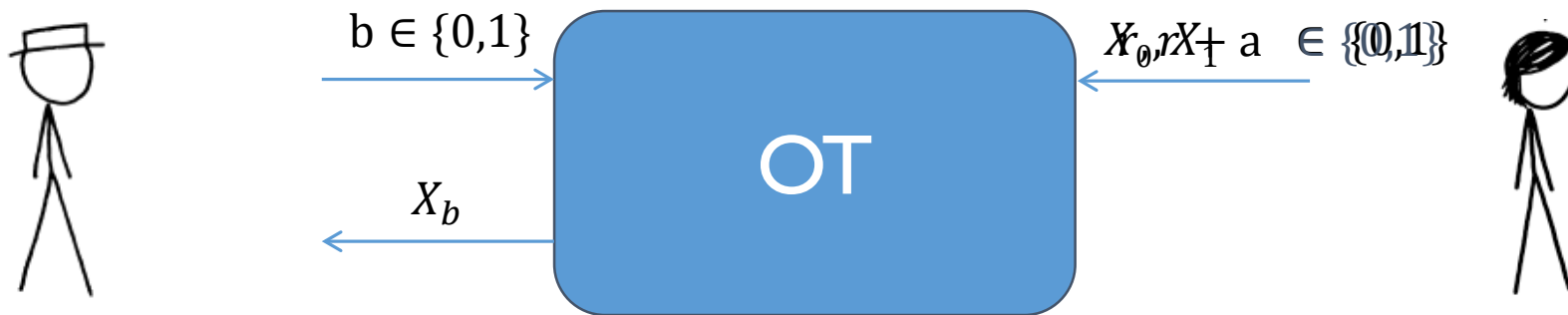
Protocol I: GMW-style MPC based on OT extension with short keys

[Goldreich Micali Wigderson '87]

1-out-of-2 Oblivious Transfer



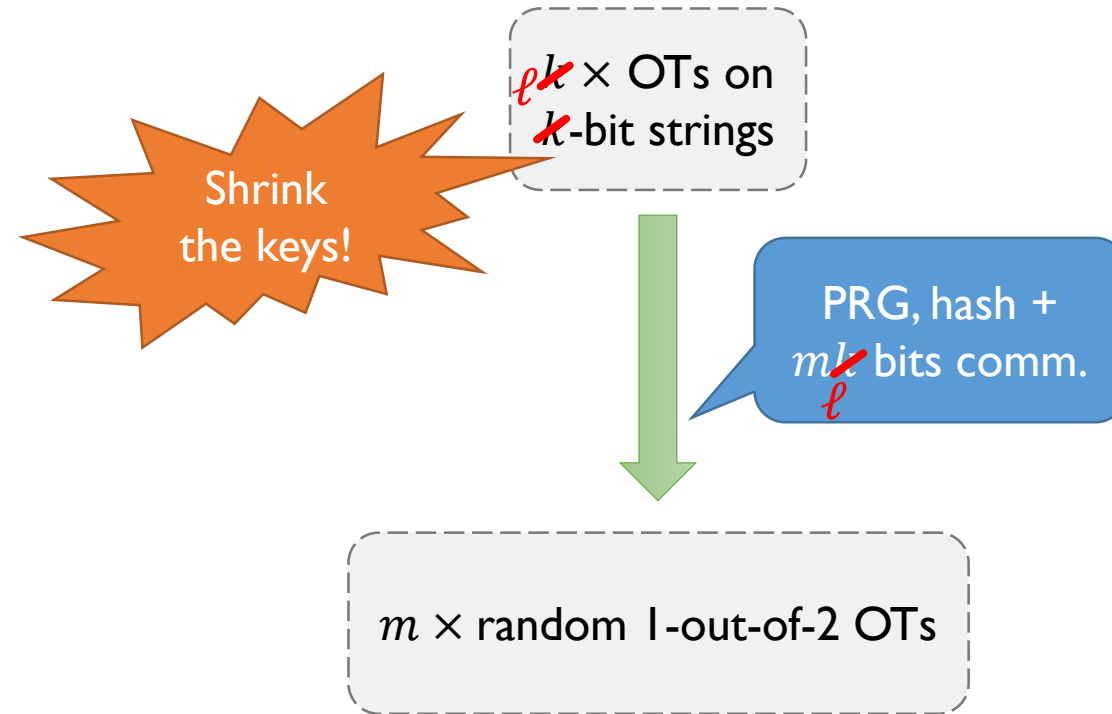
1-out-of-2 Oblivious Transfer gives secret-shared multiplication



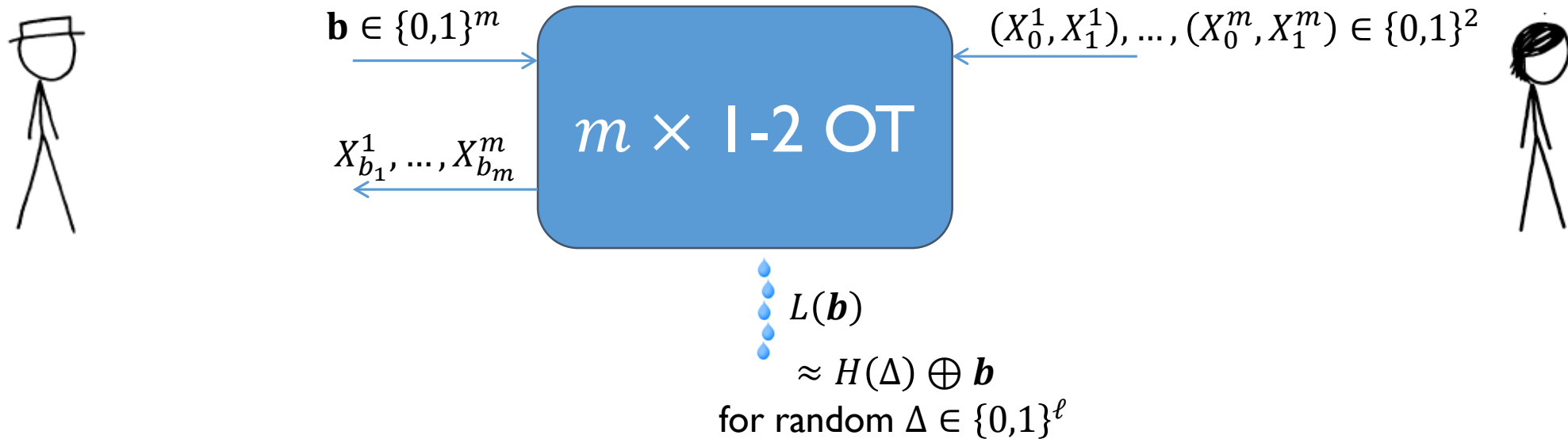
$$\begin{aligned} &= (1-ab) \cdot X_0 + b \cdot X_1 \\ &= \underbrace{X_0}_r + b \cdot \underbrace{(X_1 - X_0)}_a \end{aligned}$$

“IKNP” OT extension technique: converting k “seed” OTs into $m \gg k$ OTs

[Ishai Kilian Nissim Petrank 03]

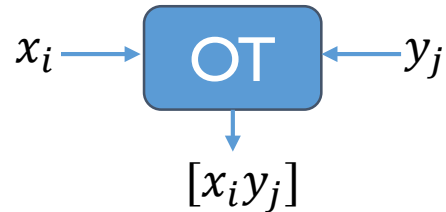


OT extension with short keys and leakage



Using leaky OT for GMW-style MPC

- First attempt: see what happens
 - Multiply shared $[x]$ and $[y]$ with GMW
 - Every pair (P_i, P_j) :



- Compute $[xy]$ from

$$xy = (x_1 + \dots + x_n)(y_1 + \dots + y_n) = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_i y_j + \dots + x_n y_n$$

Problem: leakage on x_i with **every** corrupt party P_j
 \Rightarrow whp x_i **leaks entirely** if enough corruptions

Using leaky OT for GMW-style MPC

- Second attempt: rerandomize shares before multiplying
 - P_i inputs $(x_i + s_{ij})$ instead of x_i
for random $s_{ij} \in \{0,1\}$
such that $\sum_i s_{ij} = 0$

$$(x_1 + s_{11})y_1 + \dots + (x_i + s_{ij})y_j + \dots + (x_n + s_{nn})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= xy \\ &+ (s_{11} + \dots + s_{n1})y_1 \\ &\quad \dots \\ &+ (s_{1n} + \dots + s_{nn})y_n \quad = xy \end{aligned}$$

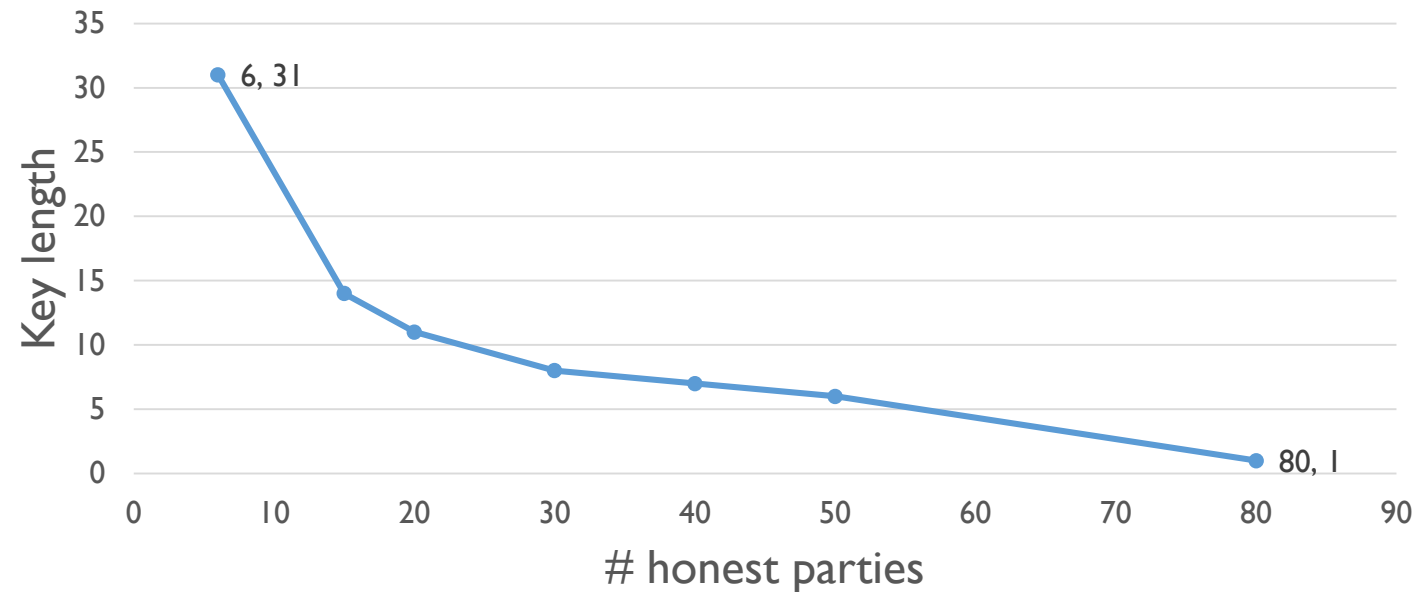
What about the leakage?

- All inputs with leakage **masked** by shares of zero
- Only need to consider **sum** of all leakage on secret $x = \sum_i x_i$
- Leakage is equivalent to:

$$\sum_i H(i, \Delta_i) + x$$

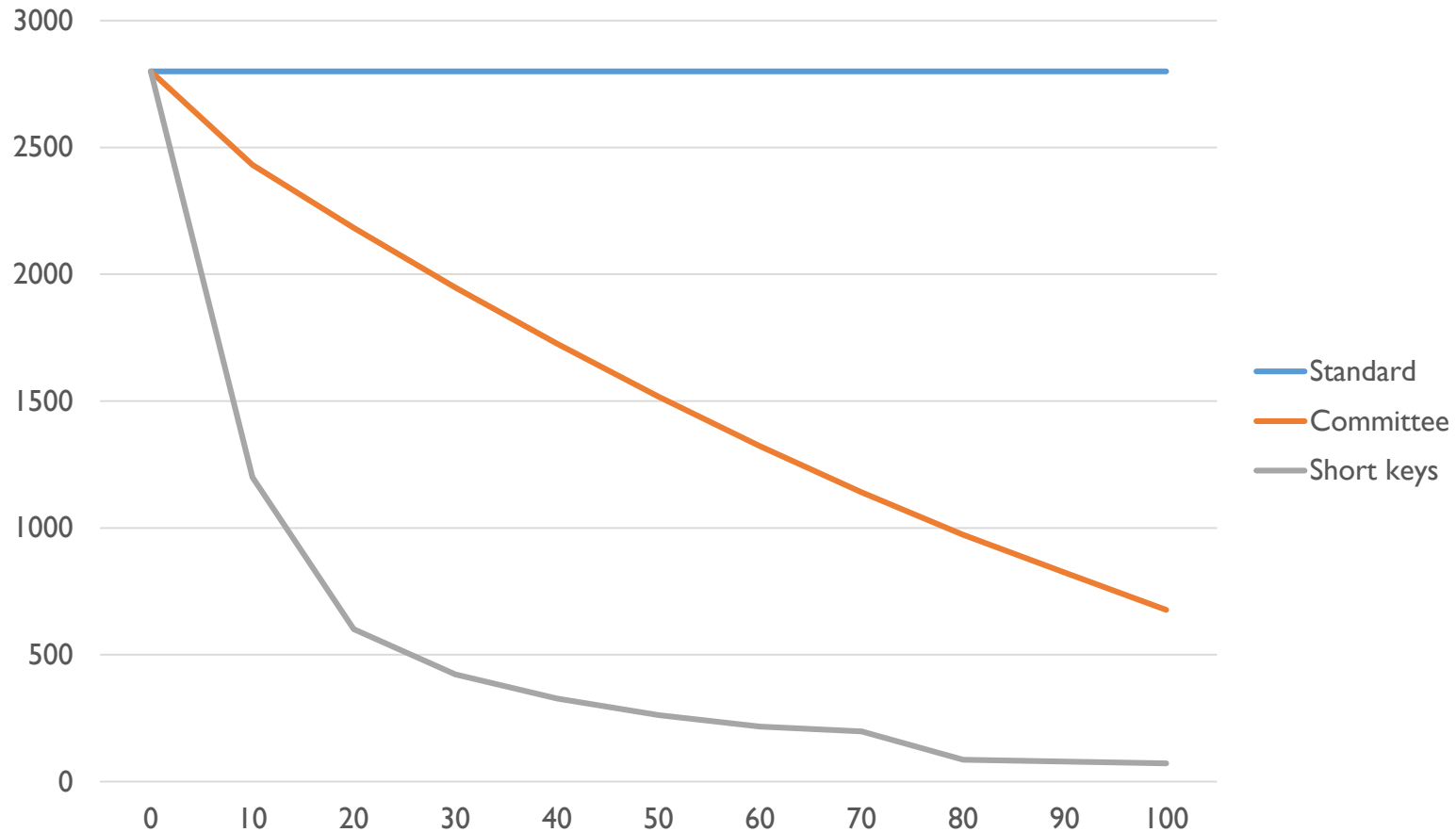
Pseudorandom by **regular syndrome decoding** assumption

Parameters and efficiency of GMW-based protocol



- Typically, each key can be used for $r = 300-500$ triples
- **1-bit keys** when $h > s + r$ (e.g. $s = 40$ for stat. security)
 - Triple cost $\approx 3nt$ bits comm.
 - Assumes OT + OWF only (no RSD) vs $O(n^2k / \log k)$ for full-threshold

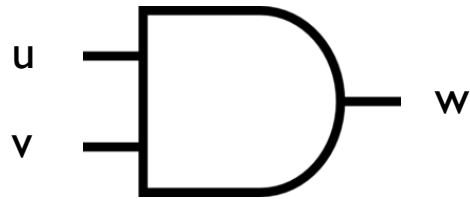
Reduction in communication from GMW with short keys (200 parties)



Protocol 2: BMR-based MPC based on multi-party garbled circuits with short keys

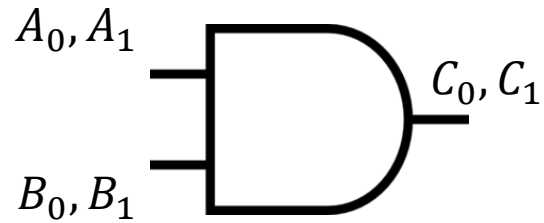
[Beaver Micali Rogaway '90]

Garbling an AND gate with Yao



u	v	w
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Garbling an AND gate with Yao



$$E_{A_0, B_0}(C_0)$$

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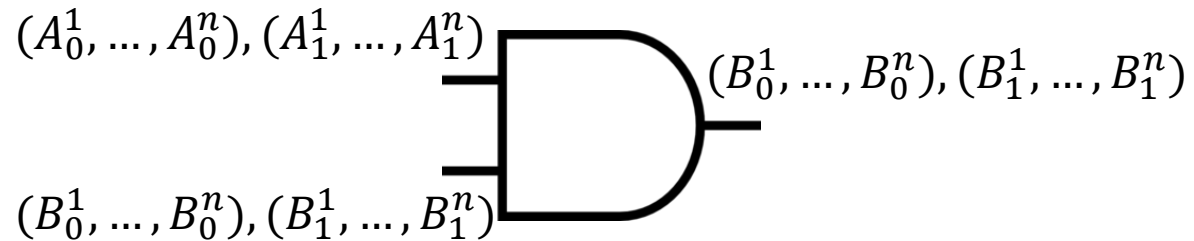
$$E_{A_1, B_0}(C_0)$$

$$E_{A_1, B_1}(C_1)$$

- Pick two random keys for each wire
- Encrypt the truth table of each gate
- Randomly **permute** entries
- **Invariant:** evaluator learns **one** key per wire throughout the circuit

Multi-party garbled circuits

[Beaver Micali Rogaway90]



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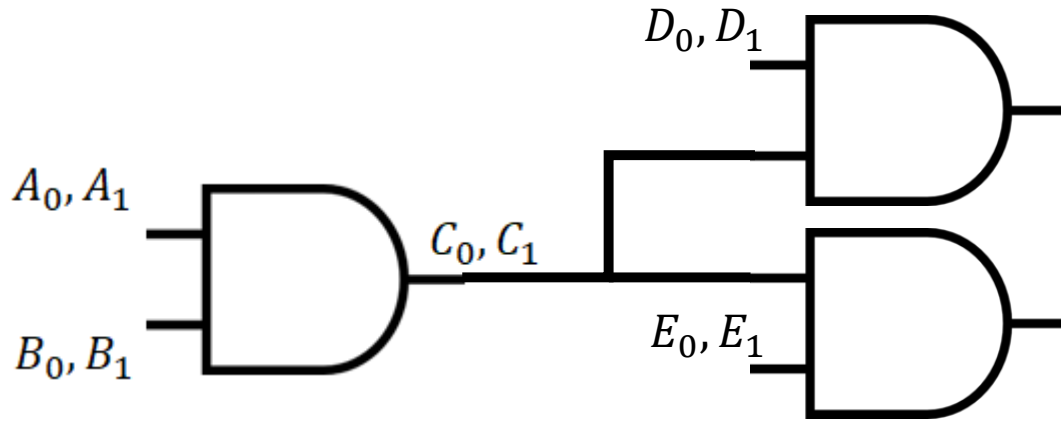
Shrink
the keys!

Each P_i gets $A_0^i, A_1^i \in \{0,1\}^{\ell}$ etc

Use distributed encryption:
$$E_{A,B}(C) = H(1 \parallel A^1 \parallel B^1) \oplus \dots \oplus H(n \parallel A^n \parallel B^n) \oplus (C^1, \dots, C^n)$$

For hash function $H : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{nk}$

BMR with short keys: a few technical challenges



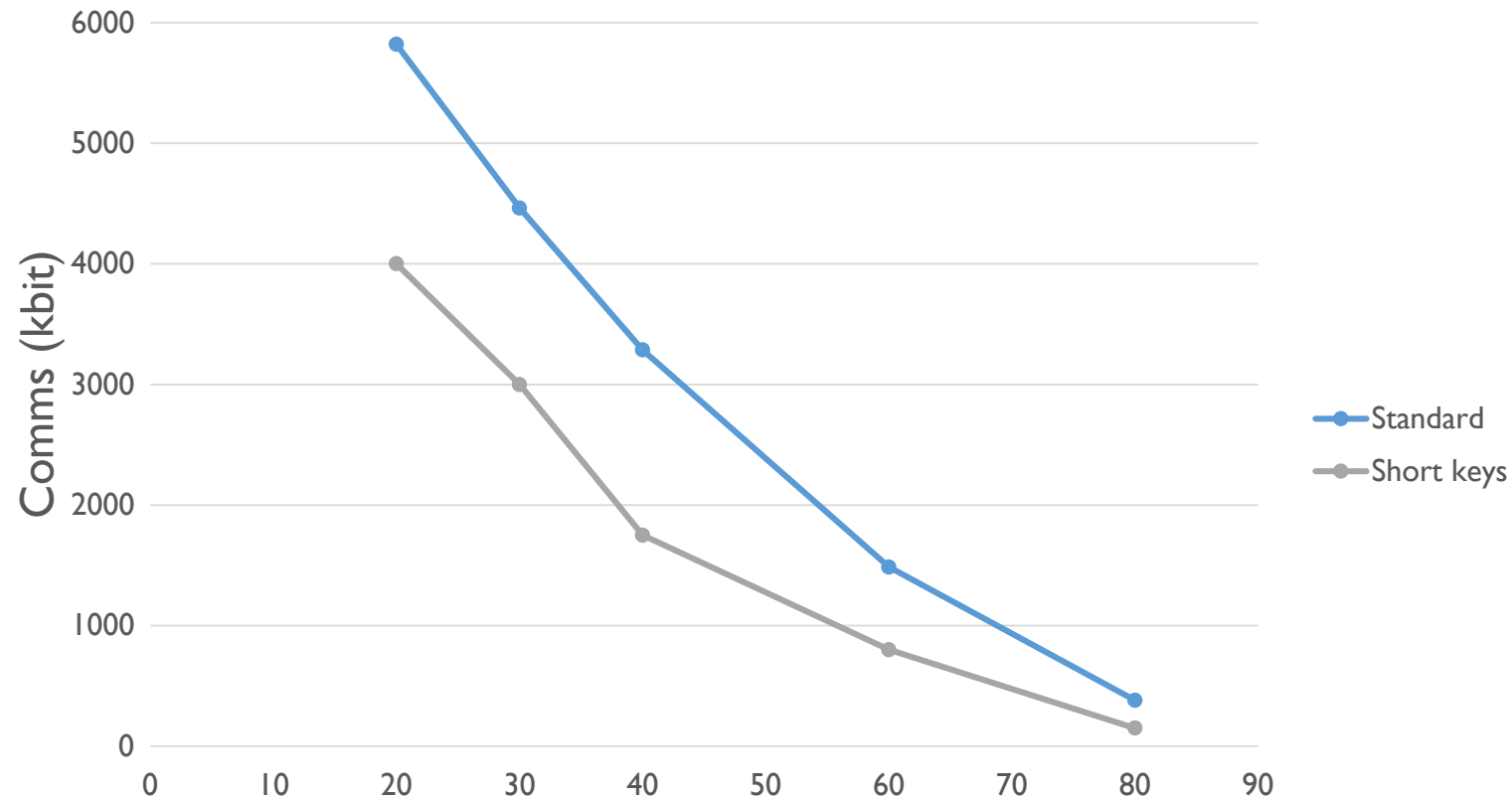
- Reusing keys reduces security in regular syndrome decoding
- Problem for:
 - High fan-out
 - Free-xor
- Solution:
 - Splitter gates [Tate Xu 03] – can be garbled for free
 - Local free-XOR offsets

BMR with short keys: pros and cons

- Garbled AND gate:
 - $4n\ell + 1$ bits vs $4nk$ bits previously
 - ℓ as small as 8
- Preprocessing phase:
 - Less communication using short keys
- Online phase:
 - $O(\frac{n^2\ell}{k})$ hash evaluations per garbled gate, vs $O(n^2)$ previously*
 - Need splitter gates: ≈ 1 splitter per (XOR/AND) gate

*or $O(1)$ using DDH/LWE [Ben-Efraim Lindell Omri 17]

Communication cost of garbling an AND gate (200 parties)



Comparison with [Ben-Efraim Lindell Omri 16] # honest parties

Conclusion and future directions

- New technique for **distributing trust** in MPC
- More efficient protocols for 20+ parties
 - Also helps **large-scale** protocols with **random committees**

Future challenges:

- Active security
 - Information-theoretic MACs with short keys
- Arithmetic circuits
- Adaptive security
- Optimizations, cryptanalysis