

# Secure two-party Computation

*Oblivious Transfer and Secure Function  
Evaluation*

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# Secure Multi Party Computation

- \*  $m$  parties want to jointly compute the function  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$
- \* Each  $P_i$  contributes  $x_i$
- \* Can it be done?
  - \* Without releasing no other information ( $x_i$ ) except the result
  - \* What is the computational complexity
  - \* What is the communication complexity
- \* Generalization
  - \* Each party has its own function
  - \* But requires input from all other
- \* Using a trusted third party is not acceptable

# The millionaire problem

- \* Yao 1982
- \* Two millionaires want to find out who is richer
  - \* Without revealing their fortunes
- \* A case of SMP:
  - \*  $m=2$  (*Alice and Bob*)
  - \*  $f(a, b, ) = \text{if } a < b \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } 0$
  - \*  $a, b$  are bounded in range 1 to  $n$

# Yao's First Solution

## \* **Bob**

- \* 'creates'  $n$  identical boxes
- \* selects a number and puts it in box number  $b$
- \* Fills the rest of the boxes randomly

## \* **Alice**

- \* Receives the boxes and opens all of them
- \* Leaves the first  $a$  boxes unchanged
- \* Increments the rest  $n - a$
- \* Sends them to Bob

## \* **Bob** reviews the boxes

- \* **If his number is unchanged, Alice is richer**
- \* **If his number is incremented, Bob is richer**

### **Problems**

Exponential Number Of Boxes  
Somebody deviates from the protocol

# Exchange of secrets

- \* Alice and Bob want to exchange secrets  $s_a, s_b$  (without a TTP)
- \* Problems
  - \* Cheating:
    - \* Receive but not send or send invalid
  - \* Timing:
    - \* The exchange must be simultaneous
- \* Any EOS protocol is problematic
  - \*  $s_a = f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$
  - \*  $s_b = g(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$
  - \* There is a  $k$  such that  $s_A$  can be computed from  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k$  but  $s_B$  cannot be computed from  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{k-1}$

# Oblivious transfer

- \* **Solution:**

- \* Construct an EOS protocol such that if Bob knows  $s_a$ , Alice can construct  $s_b$ .

- \* **(Real world) assumptions:**

- \* Alice will find out if Bob learns her secret
- \* Use of an invalid secret will make it useless

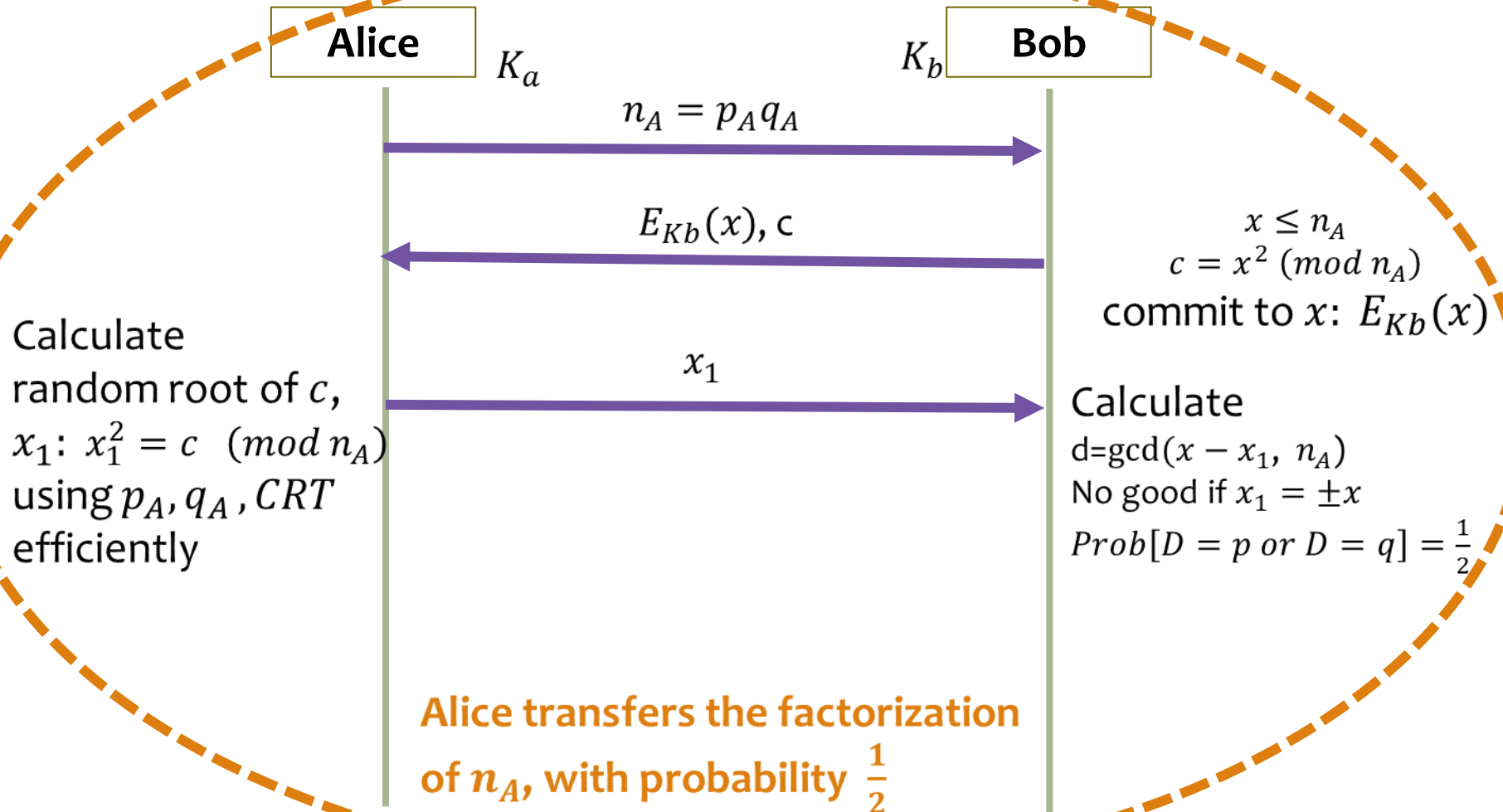
- \* **Primitive: Oblivious Transfer**

- \* The sender of a message does not know if the recipient received the information or not

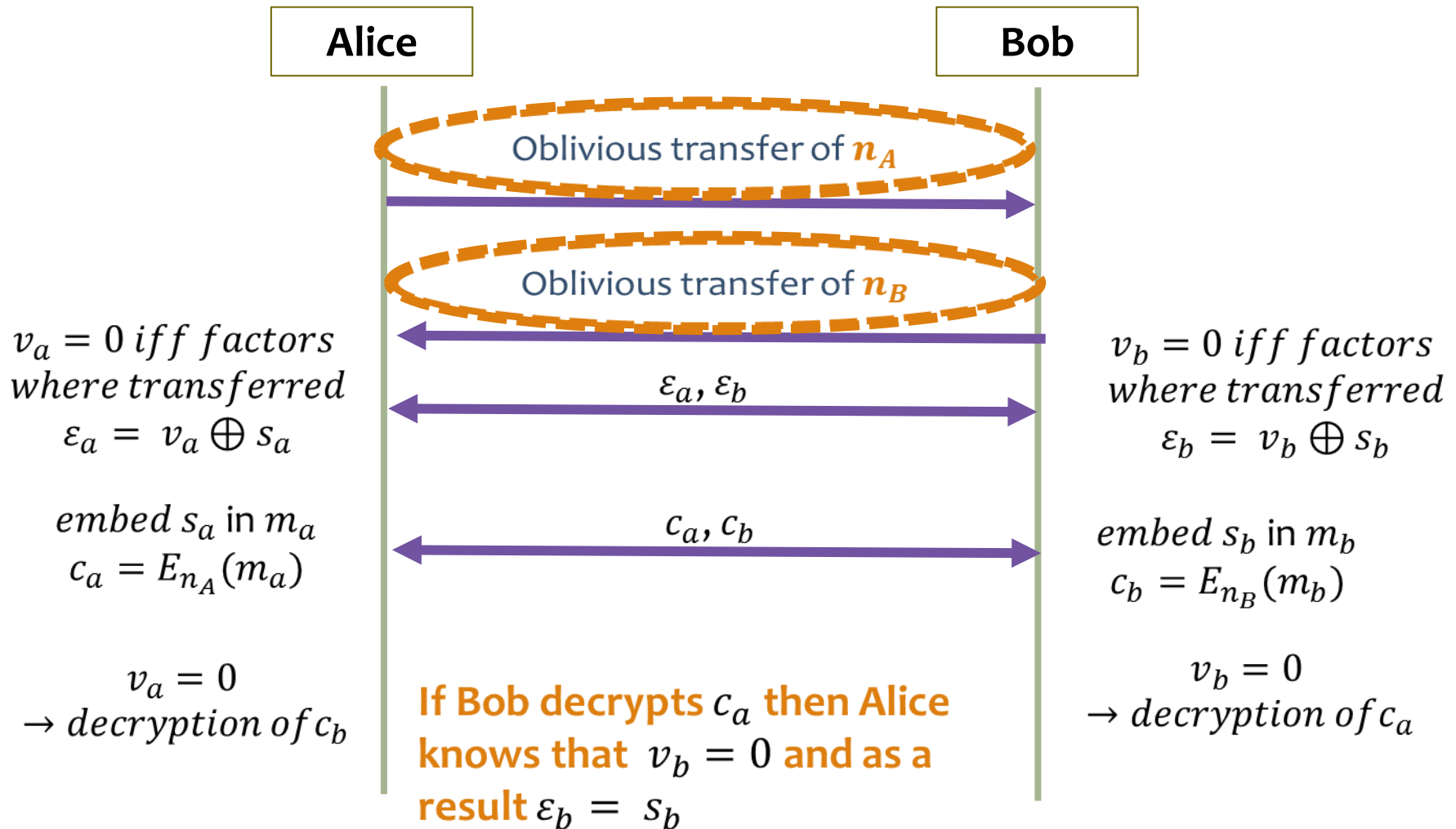
- \* **First implementation:**

- \* Quadratic residues (Rabin)

# Rabin's Protocol for OT



# Rabin's Protocol for EOS



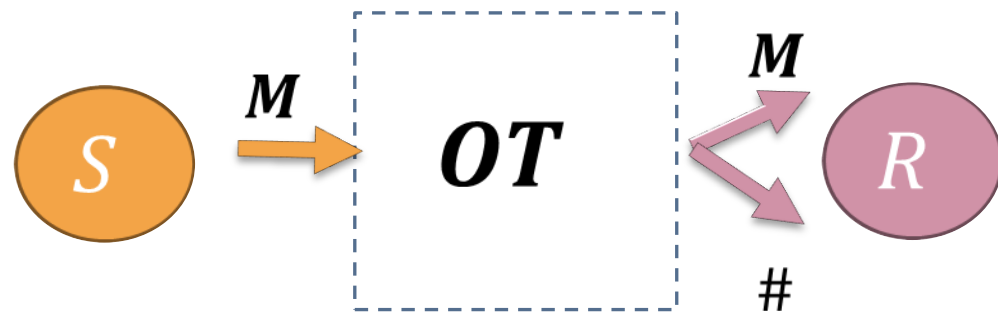


# Formalisation

(Even, Goldreich, Lempel)

An oblivious transfer  $OT(S, R, M)$  of a message  $M$  is a protocol by which a sender  $S$ , transfers to a receiver  $R$  the message  $M$  st:

- $R$  gets  $M$  with probability  $\frac{1}{2}$
- The a-posteriori probability that  $R$  got  $M$  for  $S$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$
- If  $R$  does not receive the message he gains no helpful partial information
- Any attempt from  $S$  to deviate from the protocol is detected by  $R$
- Formalisation of a noisy wire



# 1-out-of-2 Oblivious Transfer

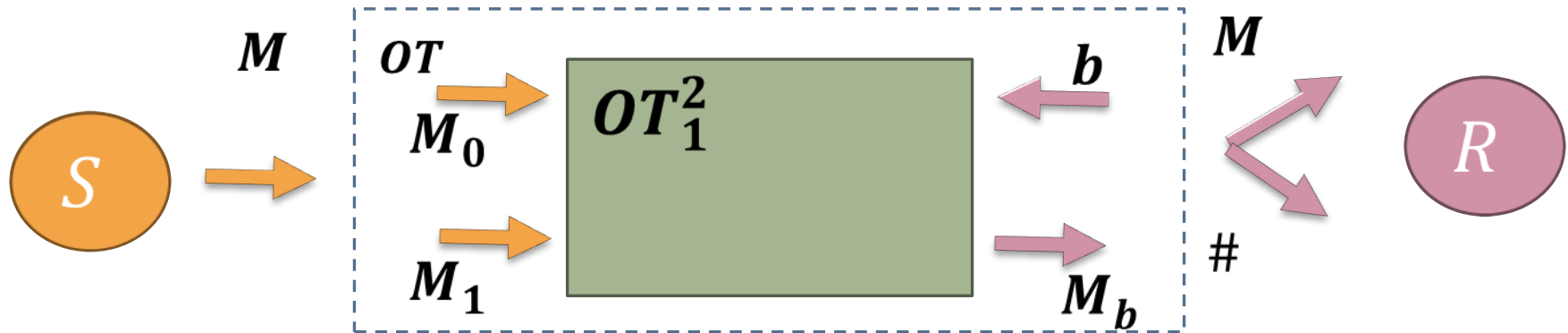
$*OT_1^2(S, R, M_0, M_1)$ : A protocol by which a sender  $S$  transfers ignorantly to a receiver  $R$  one message out of two.

$R$  selects which message to receive without  $S$



**Result:**  $OT$  and  $OT_1^2$  are equivalent

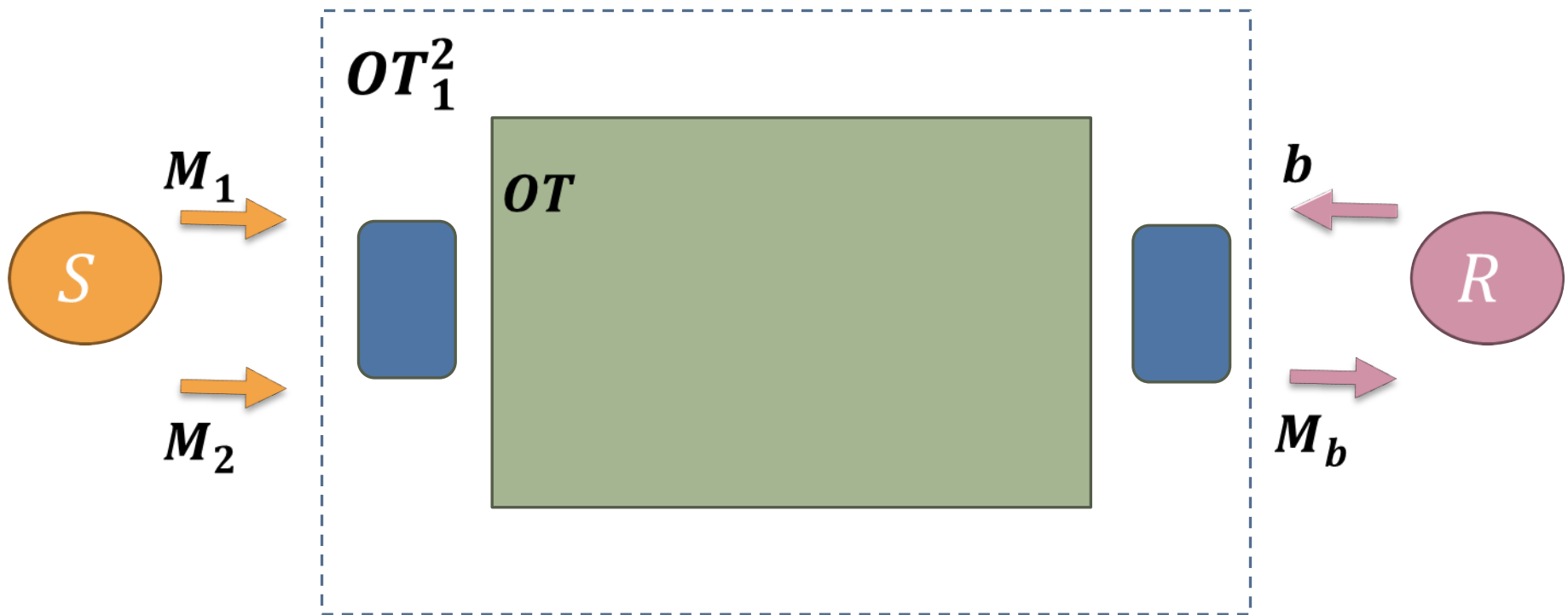
# $OT$ from $OT_1^2$ (EGL)



- \*  $S$  wants to transmit  $M$  with probability  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $R$
- \*  $OT$  machine flips bits  $M_0$ ,  $M_1$  and  $b$ .

# $OT_1^2$ from $OT$ (Crepeau)

- \* *Random OT (R-OT)*: OT with transfer probability  $p$
- \*  $OT_1^2$  can be implemented using  $R-OT(OT)$



# $OT_1^2$ from $OT$ (Crepeau)

- \* The OT protocol is applied on bit vector  $\vec{s}$ .
  - \* Objective: Transfer  $\approx n$
  - \*  $|\vec{s}| = 3n$
- \*  $R$  inputs selector bit  $b$ 
  - \* It is replaced with 2 sets of indices of length  $n$ 
    - \*  $I_b$ : The positions in  $\vec{s}$  where the transfer succeeded
    - \*  $I_{1-b}$ : Random Positions in  $\vec{s}$
- \*  $S$  sends  $(M_0, M_1)$ 
  - \*  $M_b(\bigoplus_{i \in I_b} \vec{s}_i)$  is actually sent for  $b = 0, 1$

# $OT_1^2$ from $OT$ (Crepeau, 1998)

## \* **Analysis**

- \*  $I_b$  can be found wvhp
- \*  $I_{1-b}$  contains at least one position where OT failed wvhp
- \* OT Failure  $\Rightarrow$  XOR calculation Failure
- \* **Exactly one of them can be calculated**
- \* Exactly one of  $M_0, M_1$  can be transferred
- \* We have  $OT_1^2$

# Other flavors

- \* 1-out-of- $N$  oblivious transfer  $OT_1^n$ 
  - \*  $S$  has  $M_1, M_2, \dots, M_N$
  - \*  $R$  selects  $i$  and receives  $M_i$
  - \*  $S$  does not learn  $i$
  - \*  $R$  does not learn  $M_{j, j \neq i}$
- \*  $k$ -out-of- $N$  oblivious transfer  $OT_k^n$ 
  - \* Simultaneously receive  $k$  messages
- \*  $k$ -out-of- $N$  adaptive oblivious transfer  $OT_k^n$ 
  - \* Successive oblivious transfers
  - \* Selection at each stage depends on messages previously received
- \* Constructed using  $OT_2^2$

# Generic Implementation of $OT_1^2$

- \*  $S, R$  agree on a  $PKCS (K, E, D)$  where  $M = C$  (eg. RSA)
- \*  $S, R$  are semi-honest
- \* Objective: Obliviously transmit  $\mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{m}_1$
- \*  $R$  generates 2 random strings  $\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1$
- \* To obtain  $\mathbf{m}_0$ :
  - \*  $R$  sends  $(\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}_0), \mathbf{x}_1)$
  - \*  $S$  decrypts  $(\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}_0)), \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}_1)) = (\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}_1))$
  - \*  $S$  applies XOR to tuple  $(\mathbf{m}_0 \oplus \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{m}_1 \oplus \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}_1))$
  - \*  $R$  retrieves  $\mathbf{m}_0$  by XORing again  
 $(\mathbf{m}_0 \oplus \mathbf{x}_0 \oplus \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{m}_1 \oplus \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}_1) \oplus \mathbf{x}_1)$



# OT and SFE: Yao's construction

- \* Oblivious transfer implies secure function evaluation
- \* Use oblivious transfer to compute any function  $f$ 
  - \* Express  $f$  as a circuit  $\mathcal{C}$
  - \* Construct a protocol that computes  $\mathcal{C}$ 
    - \* Parties provide inputs
    - \* They only learn the output
    - \* All intermediate values are never revealed
      - \* Random inputs
      - \* Random outputs
    - \* **Garbled** truth tables
- \* Security against semi – honest (passive) players

# An OR Gate with OT

- $S$  contributes  $s$  and  $R$  contributes  $r$
- **Step 1:  $S$  transforms truth table**
  - selects random permutations  $v: \{0,1\} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$
  - Applies permutations to truth table
  - Selects 4 encryption-decryption functions  $(E_0^S, D_0^S), (E_1^S, D_1^S), (E_0^R, D_0^R), (E_1^R, D_1^R)$
  - Applies encryption functions to the result according to the position
  - Send the table and  $v_r$  to the  $R$

$s$	$r$	$s \text{ OR } r$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

$s$	$r$	$s \text{ OR } r$
$v_s(0)$	$v_r(0)$	$E_{v_s(0)}^S(E_{v_r(0)}^R(0))$
$v_s(0)$	$v_r(1)$	$E_{v_s(0)}^S(E_{v_r(1)}^R(1))$
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# An OR Gate with OT (2)

- \* **Step 2: S computes its part**

- \*  $v_S(s)$

- \* Sends  $(v_S(s), D_{v_S(s)}^S)$

- \* **Step 3: R computes its part**

- \*  $v_R(r)$

- \* In order to decrypt  $D_{v_R(r)}^R$  is required

- \* How to get it without revealing  $v_R(r)$ ?

- \*  $OT_1^2(S, R, D_0^R, D_1^R)$

s	r	s OR r
$v_s(0)$	$v_r(0)$	$E_{v_s(0)}^S(E_{v_r(0)}^R(0))$
$v_s(0)$	$v_r(1)$	$E_{v_s(0)}^S(E_{v_r(1)}^R(1))$
$v_s(1)$	$v_r(0)$	$E_{v_s(1)}^S(E_{v_r(0)}^R(1))$
$v_s(1)$	$v_r(1)$	$E_{v_s(1)}^S(E_{v_r(1)}^R(1))$

**Finally:** Peel off the desired row

$$D_{v_R(r)}^R(D_{v_S(0)}^S(E_{v_S(0)}^S(E_{v_R(1)}^R(1))))$$

and informs R

**Question:** Why not send both  $D_0^R, D_1^R$ ?

# In reality ...

- \* The rows of the table are randomly permuted
- \* The result is a random permutation as well
- \* **View everything as keys (6 keys / gate)**

s	r	s OR r	Computation
$k_0^S$	$k_0^R$	$k_0^{OR}$	$E_{k_0^S}(E_{k_0^R}(k_0^{OR}))$
$k_0^S$	$k_1^R$	$k_1^{OR}$	$E_{k_0^S}(E_{k_1^R}(k_1^{OR}))$
$k_1^S$	$k_0^R$	$k_1^{OR}$	$E_{k_1^S}(E_{k_0^R}(k_1^{OR}))$
$k_1^S$	$k_1^R$	$k_1^{OR}$	$E_{k_1^S}(E_{k_1^R}(k_1^{OR}))$

# Building up the circuit

- \* After computing each gate  $g$ , both  $S, R$  have access to  $k_x^g$
- \* This is used as input to another gate
- \* The output gates will contain the circuit's output  $w_i$
- \* Each digit is decrypted using output tables
- \*  $S$  constructs the circuit
  - \* In case of multiple inputs, copy the key
  - \* In case of multiple outputs, same output key
- \*  $R$  uses oblivious transfer for each bit of its input
- \* And computes the result
- \* Complexity:
  - \* Computation:  $O(|C|)$  - 6 keys per gate / 8 encryptions per gate / 2 decryptions per gate
  - \* Communication:  $O(|C|)$  Round complexity: constant
- \* Proof of security and correctness (*Lindell, Pinkas 2006*)

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