

# Oblivious Polynomial Evaluation and Secure Set-Intersection from Algebraic PRFs TCC 2015

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# Pseudorandom Functions (PRFs)

- PRF is indistinguishable from a **random function**

**PRF:**

Let  $k \leftarrow \{0,1\}^n$

Given  $x$  output  $F_k(x)$

$\approx$

**Random function:**

Let  $R: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$

Given  $x$  output  $R(x)$

- Adversary makes polynomial number of queries

# Algebraic PRFs [BGV11]

- PRFs with Abelian group range
- Support fast batch PRFs evaluation given the PRF key
- Originally introduced in the context of verifiable delegation of polynomial evaluation

# Algebraic PRFs [BGV11]

**Closed form efficiency:**

$$\text{CFEval}_{h,z}(x,k) = \prod_{i=0}^l [\text{PRF}_k(z_i)]^{h_i(x)}$$

Running time of CFeval is **sublinear** in  $l$

Special case:  $z = (0, \dots, d)$  and  $h_i(x) = x^i$

# Algebraic PRFs [BGV11]

○ Implementations in prime order groups:

• **Strong DDH:**

$$\left| \Pr \left[ D \left( G, p, g, g^x, g^{x^2}, \dots, g^{x^d} \right) \right] - \left[ D(G, p, g, g^{x_1}, g^{x_2}, \dots, g^{x_d}) \right] \right| \leq \text{negl}(\cdot)$$

$$\text{PRF}_k(x) = g^{k_0 k_1^x}$$

• **DDH (Naor-Reingold):**

$$\text{PRF}_k(x_1, \dots, x_m) = g^{k_0 \prod_{i=1}^m k_i^{x_i}}$$

# Algebraic PRFs [BGV11]

## ○ Strong DDH

- CEEval with **constant** overhead follows from the identity:

$$\sum_{i=0}^d k_0 k_1^i x^i = \frac{k_0 (k_1^{d+1} x^{d+1} - 1)}{k_1 x - 1}$$

## ○ DDH [NR]

- CEEval with **log d** overhead follows from the identity:

$$\sum_{j=0}^d k_0 \prod_{i=1}^{j+1} k_i^{x_i} = k_0 (1+k_1 x)(1+k_2 x^2) \cdots (1+k_{\log d} x^d)$$

# Verifiable Polynomial Evaluation

## [BGV11]

**Setup:** The client stores  $Q(\cdot) = (q_0, \dots, q_d)$  together with  $(F_k(\mathbf{0})g^{aq_0}, \dots, F_k(\mathbf{d})g^{aq_d}) = (g^{r_0+aq_0}, \dots, g^{r_d+aq_d})$

**Evaluation:** Given  $\mathbf{x}$ , the server returns  $Q(\mathbf{x})$  and  $g^{\sum_i (r_i + aq_i)x^i}$

**Verification:** Given  $Q(\mathbf{x})$  and proof  $\mathbf{w}$  check that

$$\mathbf{w} = g^{\sum_i r_i x^i + aQ(\mathbf{x})}$$

- Computing  $g^{\sum_i r_i x^i}$  requires **sublinear** time in  $\mathbf{d}$  given the PRF key
- The protocol is not private

# Oblivious Polynomial Evaluation (OPE)

Sender



Receiver



<b>Inputs:</b>	$Q(\cdot) = (q_0, \dots, q_d)$	$x$
<b>Outputs:</b>	—	$Q(x)$



# Oblivious Polynomial Evaluation (OPE)

- Very useful building block:
  - RSA key generation [Gil99]
  - Approximation of Taylor series [LP02]
  - Set-intersection [FNP04]
  - Oblivious keyword search [FIPR05]
  - Secure equality of strings [NP06]
  - Data entanglement [ADDV12]

**Prior maliciously secure work uses cut-and-choose  
or somewhat homomorphic SIMD approach**

# OPE from Algebraic PRFs

- **Our results:**

  - OPE in the exponent with malicious security

- **Two phases protocol:**

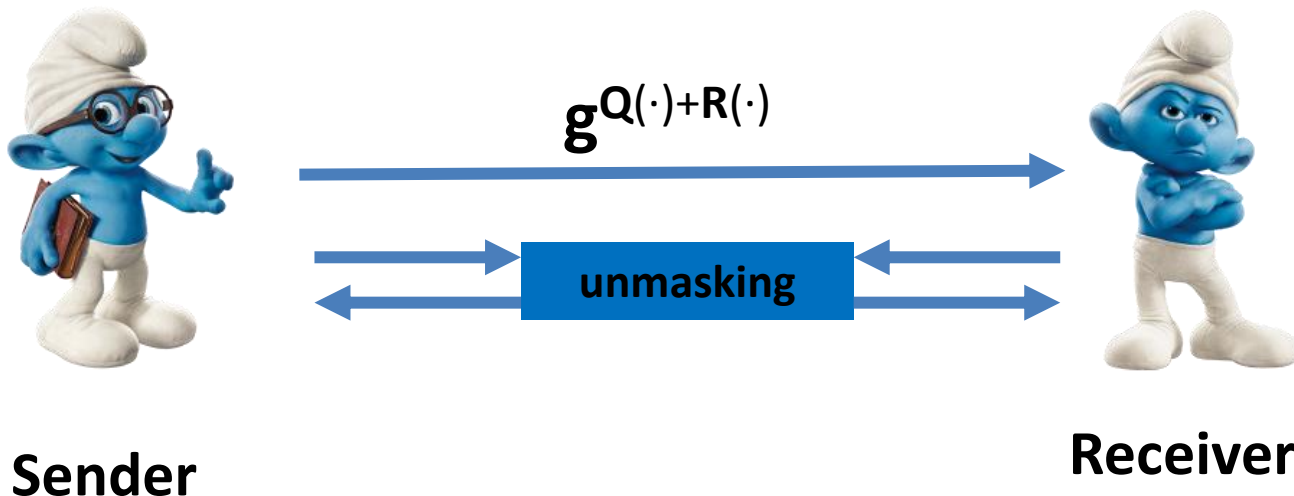
1. Use algebraic PRFs to mask the sender's polynomial
2. Unmask the evaluated masked polynomial

# OPE from Algebraic PRFs

**Masking:** Given input  $\mathbf{g}^{Q(\cdot)} = (g^{q_0}, \dots, g^{q_d})$  the sender sends the masked polynomial

$$\mathbf{g}^{Q(\cdot)+R(\cdot)} = (g^{q_0+r_0}, \dots, g^{q_d+r_d})$$

**Unmasking:** The receiver computes  $\mathbf{g}^{Q(x)+R(x)}$  and the parties compute  $\mathbf{g}^{R(x)}$



# OPE from Algebraic PRFs

- Unmasking requires computing  $g^{\sum_i r_i x^i}$  which can be carried out in **sublinear time in  $d$**
- Overhead:
  - **$d+1$**  exponentiations in masking phase
  - **$O(1)/O(\log d)$**  exponentiations in unmasking phase

# Secure Set-Intersection

Sender



Receiver



<b>Inputs:</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>Outputs:</b>	<b>—</b>	<b><math>X \cap Y</math></b>

# Secure Set-Intersection

- Intensively studied due to many applications [FNP04,KS05,DSMRY09,**JL09**,JL10,HL10,**HN12**]
- Two common approaches in the plain model:
  - Oblivious polynomial evaluation [FNP04]
  - Oblivious PRF evaluation [FIPR05,LP10]

# Set-Intersection - The OPE Approach

1. On input  $(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_m)$ , sender masks polynomial  $Q(\mathbf{t}) = (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{t}) \cdots (\mathbf{x}_m - \mathbf{t})$  and sends  $\mathbf{g}^{Q(\mathbf{t})+R(\mathbf{t})}$
  2. For each  $\mathbf{y} \in Y$ 
    - Receiver evaluates  $\mathbf{g}^{Q(\mathbf{y})+R(\mathbf{y})}$
    - The parties “unmask” the result by verifying whether  $\mathbf{g}^{Q(\mathbf{y})+R(\mathbf{y})} = \mathbf{g}^{R(\mathbf{y})}$
- Overhead is  $|\mathbf{X}| \cdot |\mathbf{Y}|$
- Reduce overhead using hash functions

# Set-Intersection - The OPE Approach and Hash Functions

- Split the set into bins
  - Receiver evaluates a small degree poly each time
  - Easy to evaluate a polynomial of a particular bin
- Correctness:
  - Sender proves that the polynomials are correct, potentially can use zero polynomials or too many elements
  - Receiver proves that it uses the same input when more than one hash is used



# Set-Intersection - The OPE Approach and Hash Functions

- Overhead:

- $O(m_x + m_y \log \log m_x)$  under **d-strong** assumption
- $O(m_x + m_y \log m_x)$  under **DDH** assumption  
Better than [HN12]!

# Set-Intersection - The Oblivious PRF Approach

- The **oblivious PRF** functionality:

Sender



Receiver



<b>Inputs:</b>	<b><math>k</math></b>	<b><math>x</math></b>
<b>Outputs:</b>	<b>—</b>	<b><math>F_k(x)</math></b>

# Set-Intersection - The Oblivious PRF Approach

- First phase: sender picks PRF key  $k$  and sends  $F_k(x)$  for all  $x \in X$
- Second phase: parties run oblivious PRF, receiver learns  $F_k(y)$  for all  $y \in Y$

Requires **committed** oblivious PRF!

# Set-Intersection - The Committed Oblivious PRF Approach

The committed oblivious PRF functionality:

Sender



Receiver



<b>Inputs:</b>	$k$	$x_1, \dots, x_n$
<b>Outputs:</b>	—	$F_k(x_1), \dots, F_k(x_n)$

# Set-Intersection - The Committed Oblivious PRF Approach

- Algebraic PRFs easily imply committed PRFs
  - Use same protocols for unmasking
- One particular example is a simple committed Naor-Reingold PRF
  - Prior to that, no simple committed protocol

# Set-Intersection - The Committed Oblivious PRF Approach

## ○ Overhead:

- $O(m_x + m_y)$  under strong-DDH assumption  
Same as [JL09] but for prime order groups  
No setup (CRS)  
Proof complexity is independent of PRF domain
- $O((m_x + m_y) \log(m_x + m_y))$  under DDH assumption

# Future Research

- Use algebraic PRFs for more applications
- Construct new algebraic PRFs for large domains
  
- Recent related work:
  - Aggregate Pseudorandom Functions and Connections to Learning  
Aloni Cohen and Shafi Goldwasser and Vinod Vaikuntanathan