

# HOW TO SOLVE ANY PROTOCOL PROBLEM

(OR HOW TO PLAY  
ANY MENTAL GAME)

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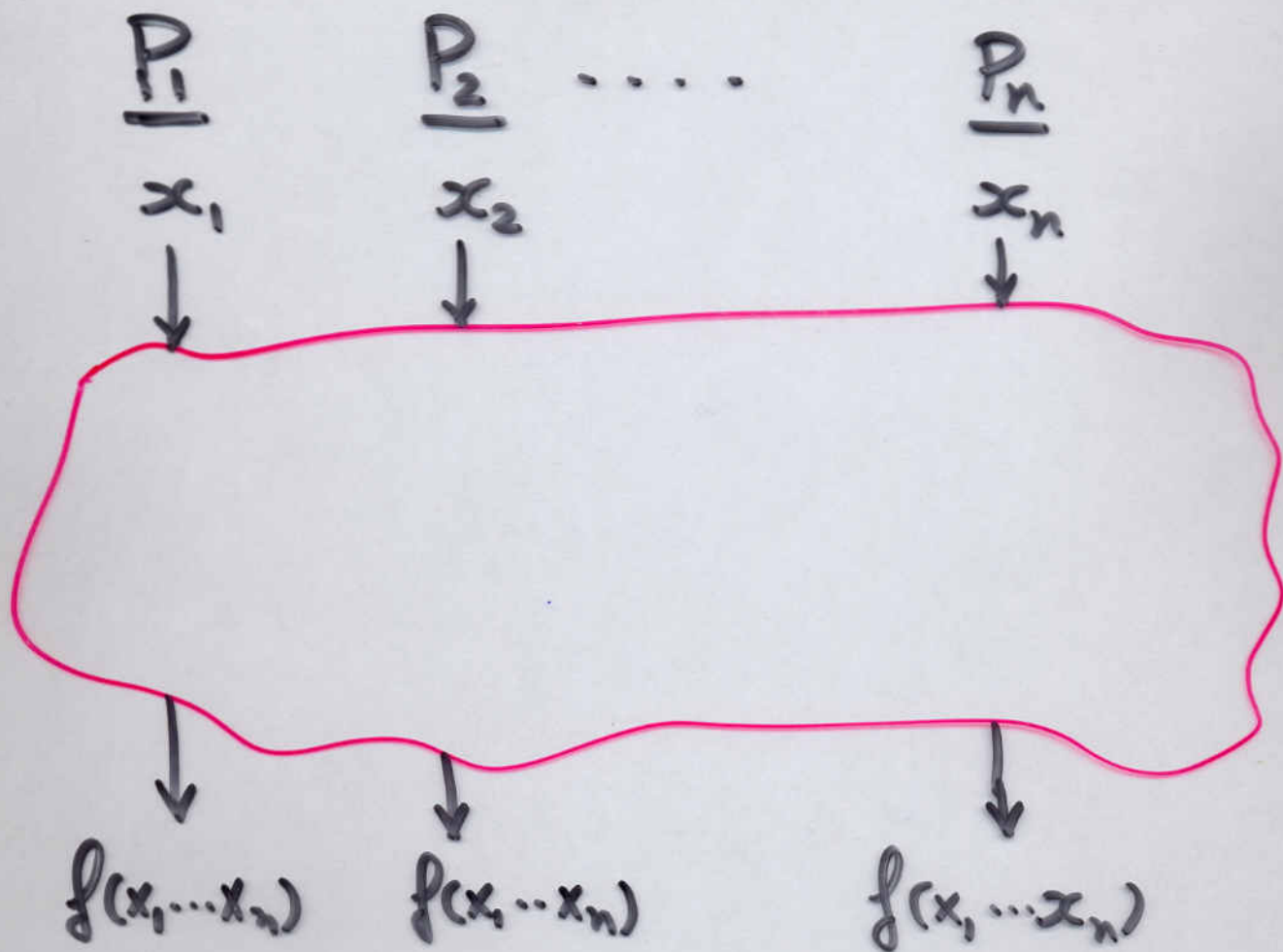
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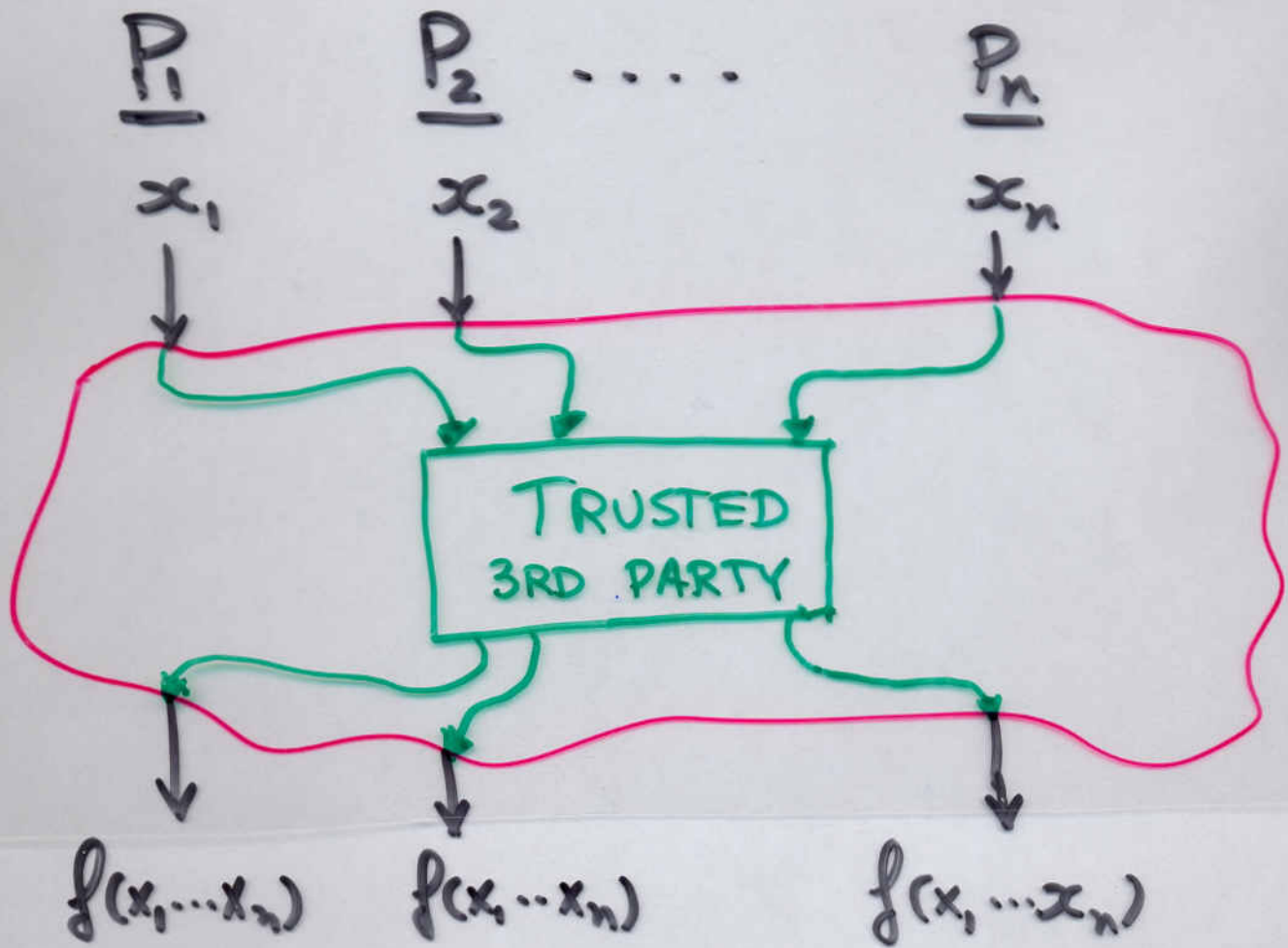
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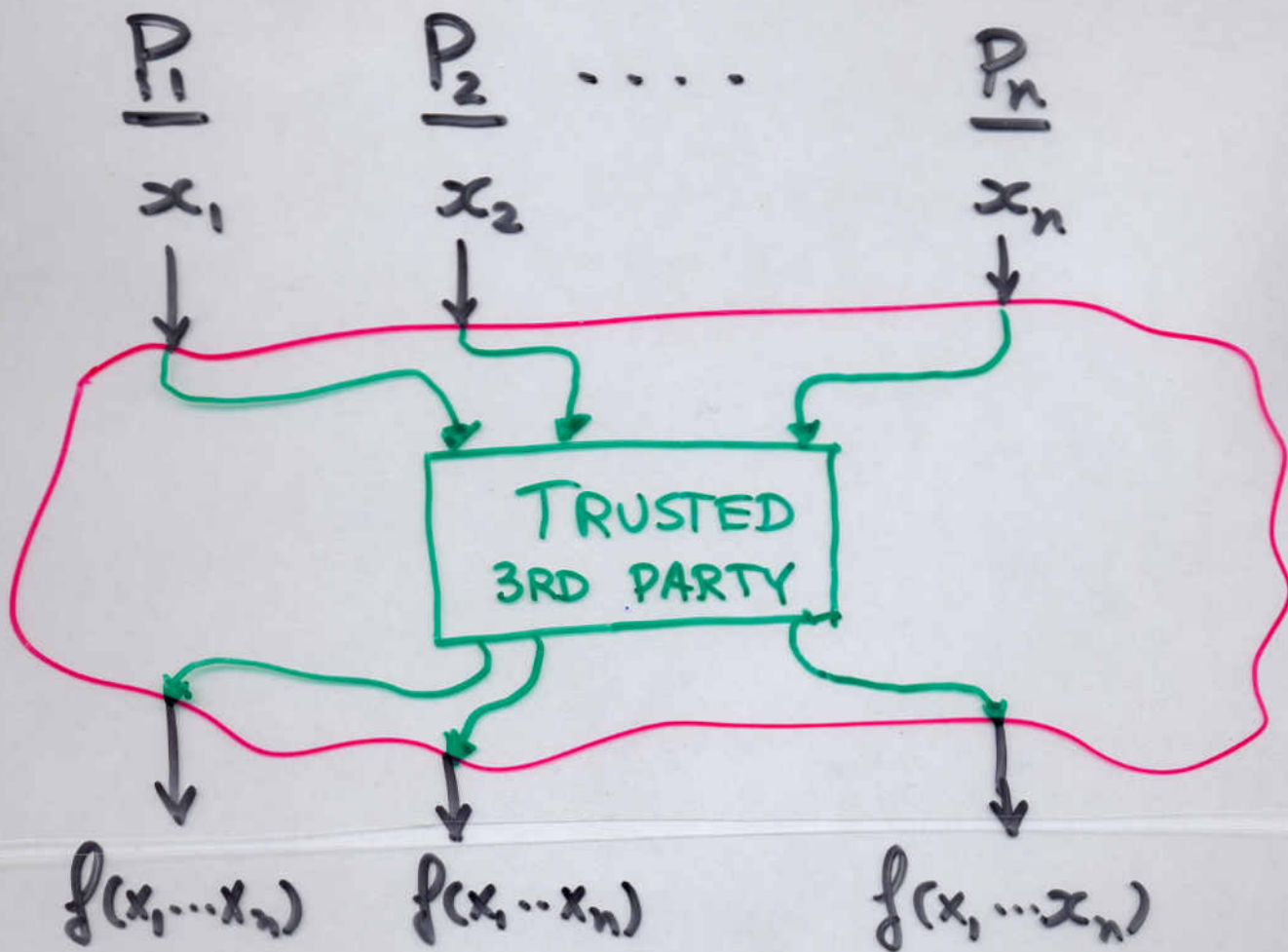
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ISSUES { (1) CORRECTNESS  $\rightarrow$  { • SIM. COMMIT.  
• FORCING PROPER EXEC.  
(2) PRIVACY

# FORMAL SETTING - PRELIMINARIES

- A PROTOCOL PROBLEM IS AN  $n$ -ARY FUNCTION,  $f$ .
- MODEL (FOR SOLUTIONS)  
A COMPUTATION IS CALLED EFFICIENT IF IT IS COMPLETED IN TIME POLYNOMIAL IN THE COMPLEXITY OF  $f$ .
- A SOLUTION TO THE PROTOCOL PROBLEM  $f$  IS AN EFFICIENT PROTOCOL GUARANTEEING "SIMULTANEOUS COMMITMENT", "CORRECTNESS", AND "PRIVACY" IN PRESENCE OF  $\leq n/2$  FAULTY BUT FEASIBLE PROCESSORS.

## FORMAL SETTING - ESSENCE

A SOLUTION TO THE PROTOCOL PROBLEM  $\{$   
IS AN EFFICIENT FAULT-TOLERANT PROTOCOL  
GUARANTEEING (W.R.T  $< n/2$  FEASIBLE FAULTS):

(1) SIMULTANEOUS COMMITMENT TO  
INITIAL VALUES.

(2) (CORRESPONDINGLY) CORRECT  
OUTPUT VALUES.

(3) MAXIMUM PRIVACY OF THE  
INITIAL VALUES.

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EXAMPLE

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

[Coh.]

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IF FACTORING INTEGERS IS INFEASIBLE  
THEN OUR ASSUMPTION HOLDS.



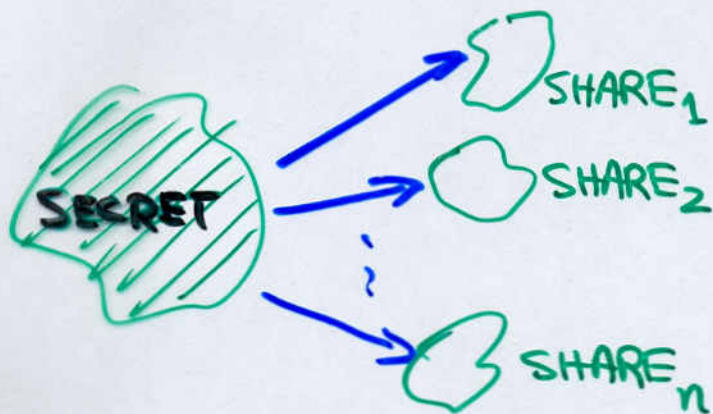
# OUR PROTOCOL-GENERATOR

- (INDEPENDENT OF THE PROBLEM, )  
OUTPUTS A FAULT-TOLERANT PROTOCOL  
FOR SIMULTANEOUS COMMITMENT.
- (1) CONSTRUCT A PROTOCOL, FOR  
"SEMI-HONEST" PLAYERS,  
ACHIEVING MAX. PRIVACY.
- (2) COMPILE THIS PROTOCOL TO  
MAKE IT FAULT-TOLERANT,  
PRESERVING CORRECTNESS & PRIVACY.

# 1ST - SIMULTANEOUS COMMITMENT

- A KEY NOTION:

## SECRET SHARING (SS)



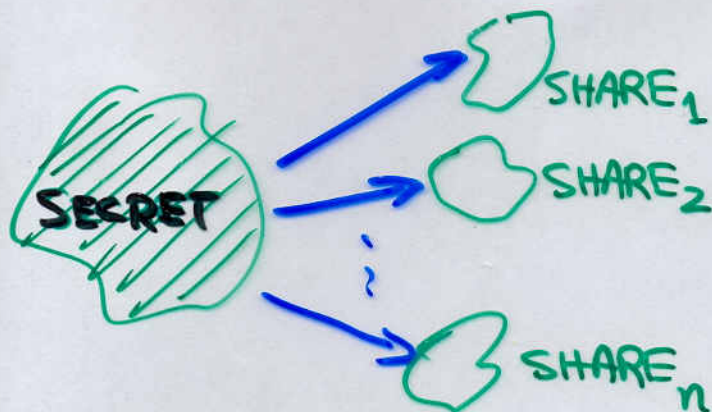
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[CGMA]

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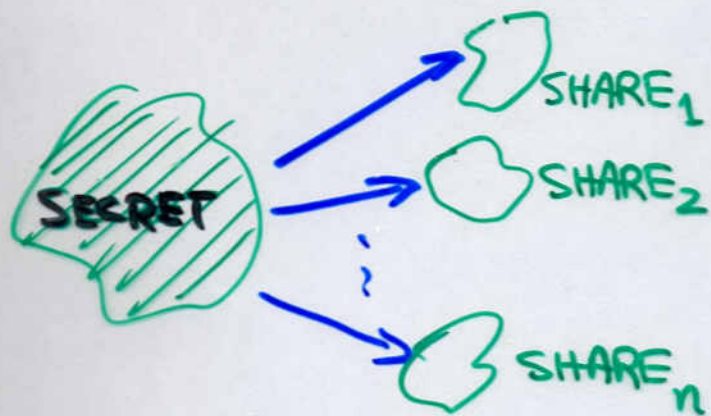
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## 2ND - MAX. PRIVACY FOR "SEMI-HONEST"

- WHAT IS A SEMI-HONEST PARTY?

EXECUTES PROTOCOL PROPERLY,  
BUT RECORDS ALL  
INTERMEDIATE RESULTS.

- A MAX. PRIVACY PROTOCOL FOR  $f$

WHATEVER CAN BE EFFICIENTLY  
COMPUTED AFTER PARTICIPATING  
(SEMI-HONESTLY) IN THE PROTOCOL

||?

WHATEVER CAN BE COMPUTED  
FROM THE PRIVATE INPUTS & OUTPUTS.

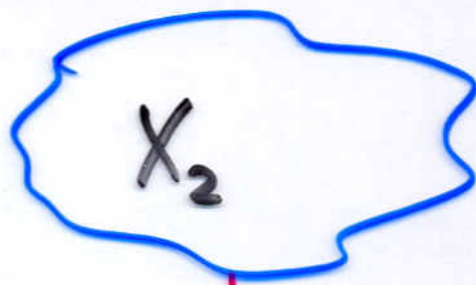
- HOW TO CONSTRUCT A MAX. PRIVACY PROTOCOL?  
*evidence of this work*

# POLYNOMIAL INDISTINGUISHABILITY

[YAO] [GM]



$$P_1 \triangleq \text{Prob}(T(X_1)=1)$$



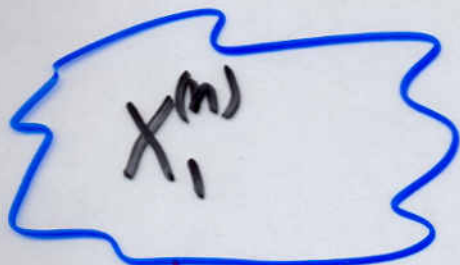
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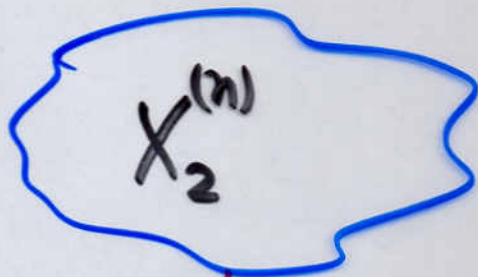


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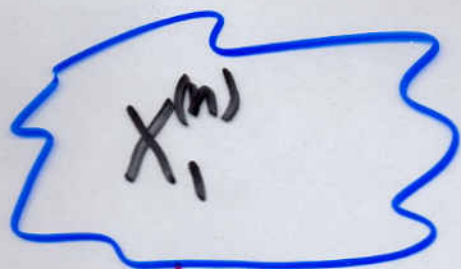
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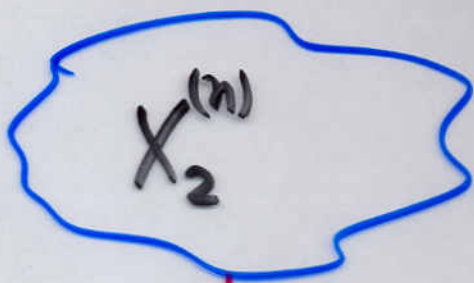
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**T DOES NOT DISTINGUISH IF**

$$\forall c > 0, |P_1^{(n)} - P_2^{(n)}| < n^{-c}$$

$\forall$   
n LARGE  
ENOUGH

$X_1 = \{X_1^{(n)}\}$  &  $X_2 = \{X_2^{(n)}\}$  ARE

POLYNOMIALLY INDISTINGUISHABLE

IF  $\forall$  PROB. POLY-TIME T  
CANNOT DISTINGUISH THEM.



### 3RD - FORCING SEMI-HONEST BEHAVIOUR

- IDEA: "APPEND" TO EACH MESSAGE

A ZERO-KNOWLEDGE PROOF

THAT IT IS COMPUTED PROPERLY.

- A ZERO-KNOWLEDGE PROOF IS

A "CONVINCING ARGUMENT" THAT YIELDS

NOTHING BUTS THE VALIDITY OF STATEMENT.

- ZERO-KNOWLEDGE PROOFS EXIST

FOR EVERY NP-STATEMENT [GMW],

AND THAT'S ALL WE NEED!

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- DETAILS (FOR EXPERTS ONLY):

(1) TO DEAL WITH RANDOMIZED PROTOCOLS

WE USE DISTRIBUTED COIN-FLIPPING,

WHICH IS IMPLEMENTED USING SIM. COMMIT.

(2) WE NEED AND HAVE

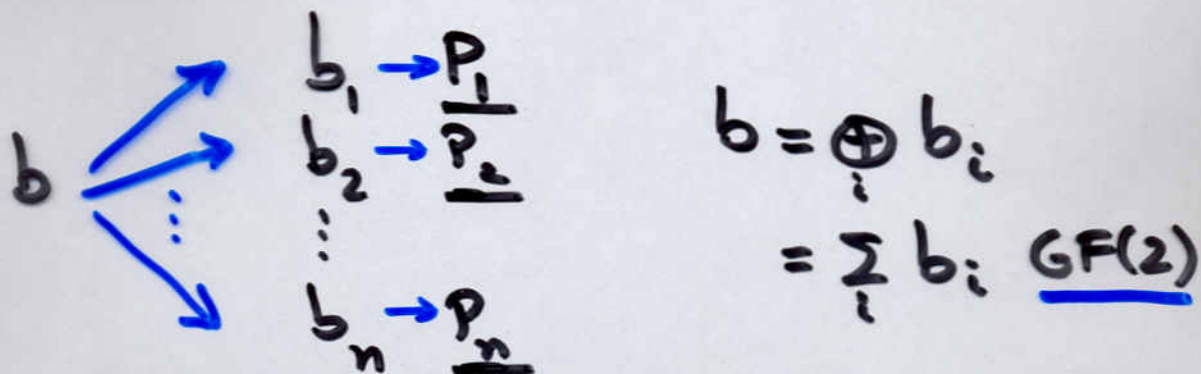
AUXILIARY-INPUT ZK PROOFS

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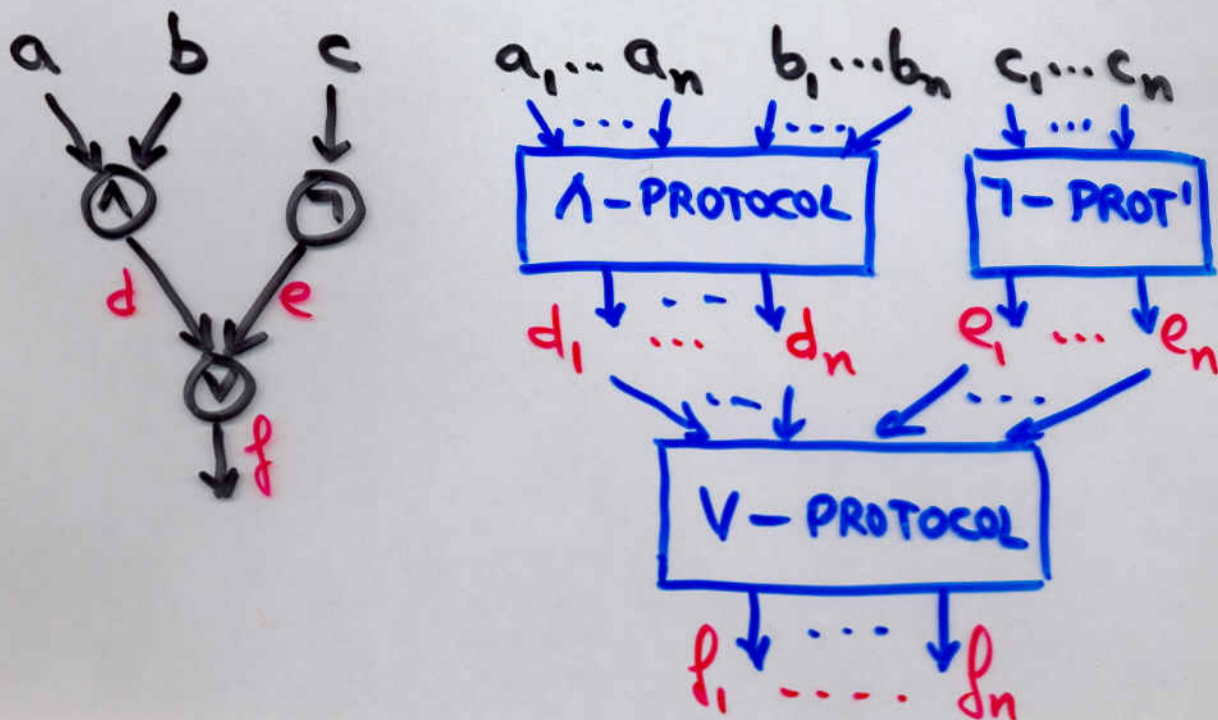
# MAX. PRIVACY PROTOCOLS FOR SEMI-HONEST

- **IDEA:** "DISTRIBUTED SIMULATION" OF BOOLEAN CIRCUIT EVALUATION.

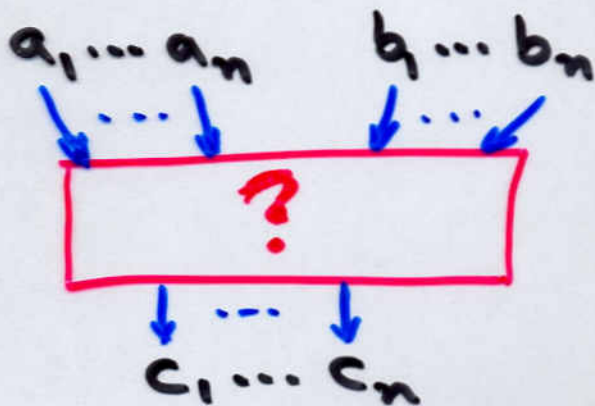
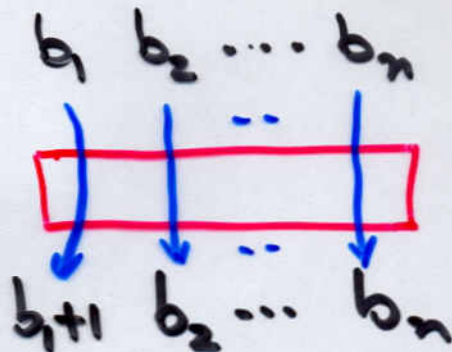
- "SHARING" A PRIVATE INPUT



- THE "SIMULATION"

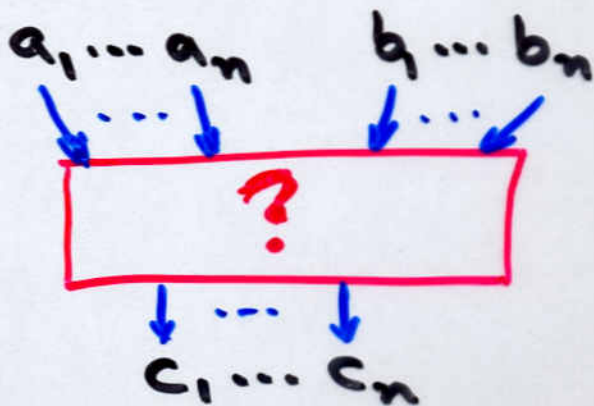
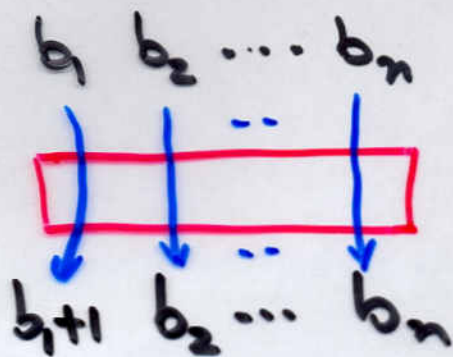


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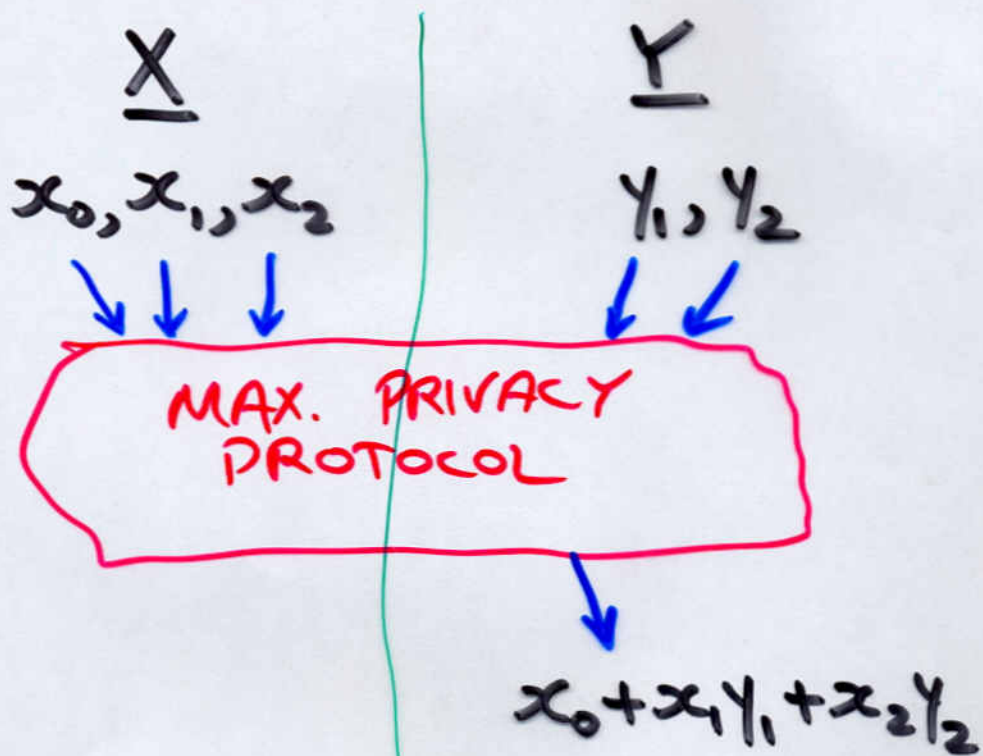
S.T.  $\sum c_i = (\sum a_i) \cdot (\sum b_i)$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \underbrace{a_i \cdot b_i}_{c_i^{(i)}} + \sum_{i < j} \underbrace{(a_i \cdot b_j + a_j \cdot b_i)}_{c_i^{(j)} + c_j^{(i)}}$$

easy!                      how?

# A MAX. PRIVACY PROTOCOL FOR $x_1y_1 + x_2y_2$

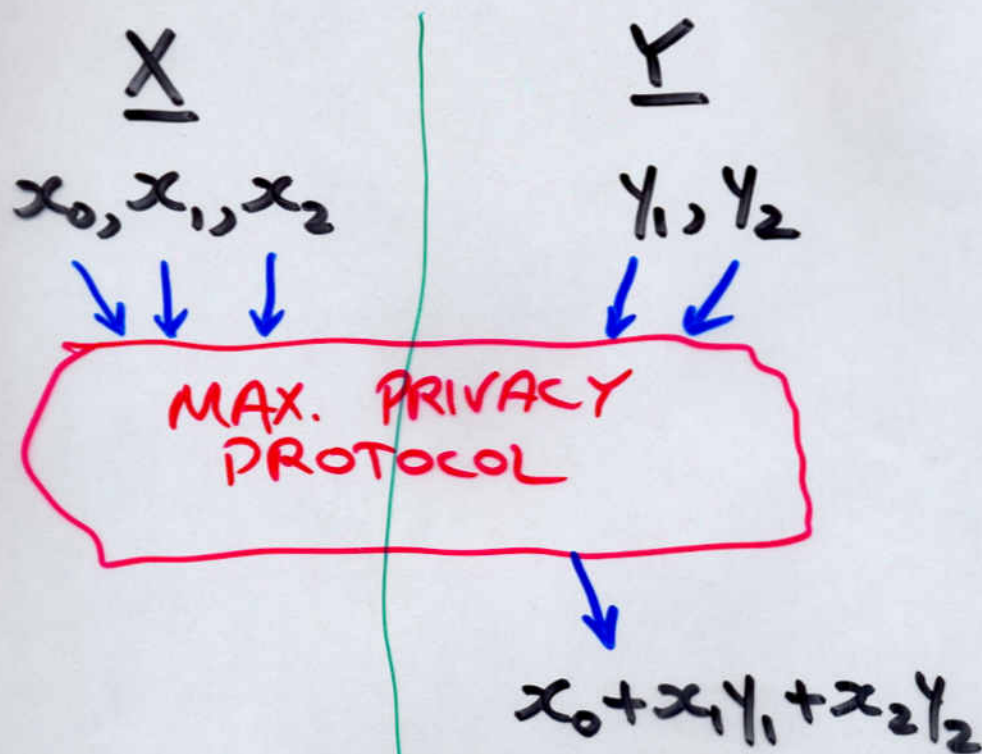
- WHAT WE NEED



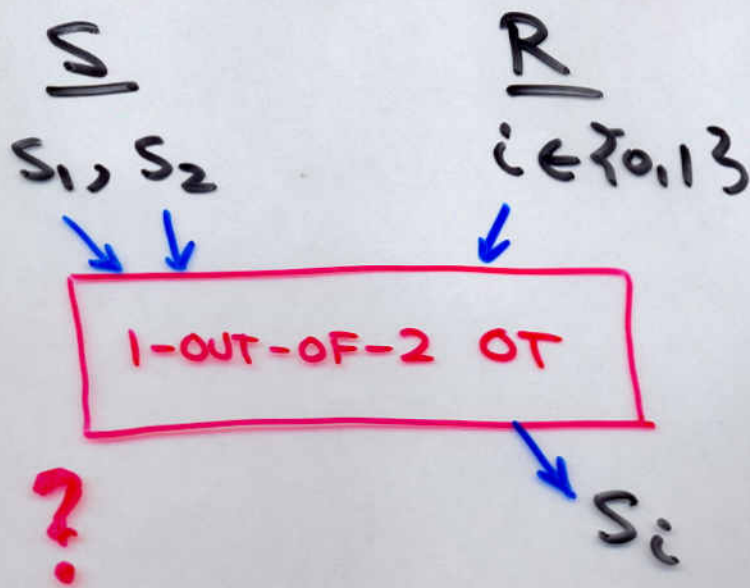
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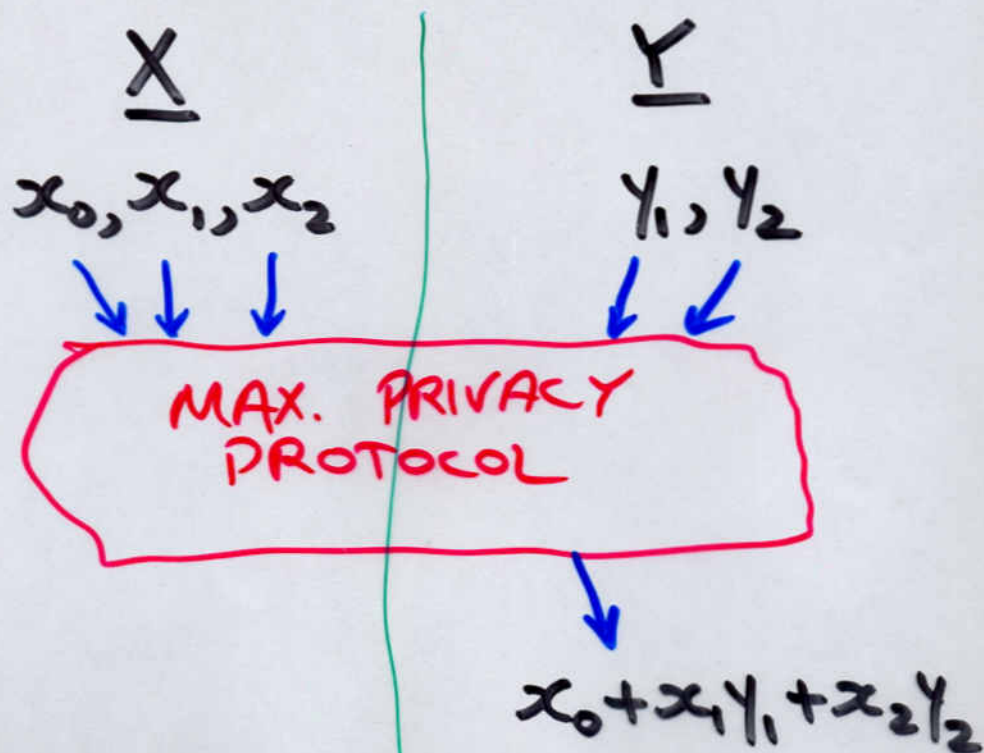


## • REDUCTION TO 1-OUT-OF-2 OT [EGL]



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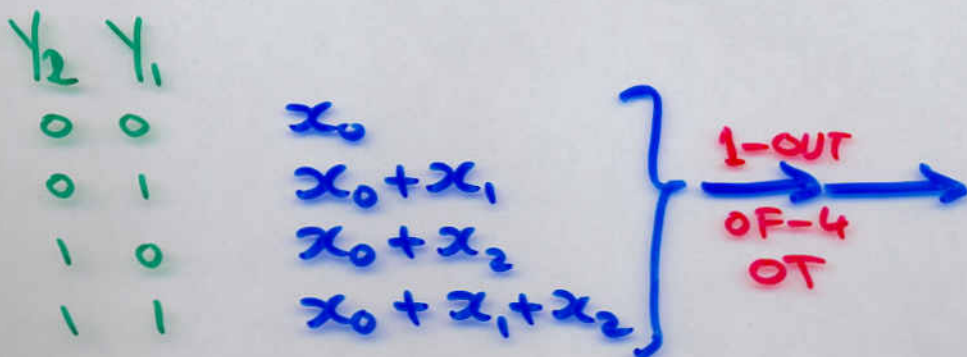
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## • REDUCTION TO 1-OUT-OF-4 OT

$\underline{X} : x_0, x_1, y_2$

$\underline{Y} : y_1, y_2$





# IMPLEMENTING 1-OUT-OF-2 OT

S  
secret bits  $s_1, s_2$

R  
interested in  $i \in \{1, 2\}$

CHOOSE  $f_T$   
(+  $b_T$ )

$f_T$

$$r_1, r_2 \in_R \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$r'_j \equiv \begin{cases} f_T(r_j) & j=i \\ r_j & \text{OTHERWISE} \end{cases}$$

$(r'_1, r'_2)$

$$r''_j \leftarrow f_T^{-1}(r'_j)$$

$$s'_j \leftarrow s_j \oplus b_T(r''_j)$$

$$s_i \leftarrow s'_i \oplus b_T(r_i)$$

BUT

$$s_{i+1} = s'_{i+1} \oplus b_T(f_T^{-1}(r_{i+1}))$$

REMAINS UNPREDICTABLE.

## SUMMING UP

THM: EVERY PROTOCOL PROBLEM  
HAS A SOLUTION.

FURTHERMORE,

A SOLUTION CAN BE FOUND  
EFFICIENTLY!

# A GAME (OF INCOMPLETE INFORMATION)

[von NEUMANN & MORGENSTERN]

$S$

STATES OF THE GAME

$K_i: S \rightarrow S_i$

KNOWLEDGE FUNCTIONS

$M$

POSSIBLE MOVES

$\mu_i: S_i \rightarrow M$

STRATEGIES

$\delta: S \times M \rightarrow S$

TRANSITION FUNCTION

$g: S \rightarrow V$

PAYOFF FUNCTION

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- How to SELECT AN OPTIMAL STRATEGY?

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$S$  STATES OF THE GAME

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- HOW TO IMPLEMENT A GAME ?

## SPECIAL CASES :

(1) A PROTOCOL PROBLEM

(2) A GENERALIZED PROTOCOL PROBLEM

(WITH ON-LINE EXT. INPUTS)

• INIT STATE =  $\emptyset$

• MOVES = INPUTS

# IMPLEMENTING A COMPUTABLE GAME

- COMMIT TO A MOVE
- DISTRIBUTIVELY COMPUTE THE NEXT STATE.
- DISTRIBUTIVELY COMPUTE PARTIAL INFORMATION (FOR EACH PLAYER!)
- DISTRIBUTIVELY COMPUTE THE FINAL PAYOFF.

Repeat  
(as long as  
the game  
continues)

# SUMMARY

- GENERAL RESULTS (OBTAINED)
  - HOW TO SOLVE ANY PROTOCOL PROBLEM.
  - HOW TO PLAY ANY GAME.
- THE COST (TO BE REDUCED)
  - PASSING TO CIRCUIT MODEL
    - PRAM  $\rightarrow$  CIRCUIT (~~TM  $\rightarrow$  CIRCUIT~~)
    - WORK WITH BOUNDED DEGREE NETWORK?
  - $\Theta(n^2)$  COMMUNICATION PER EACH ELEMENTARY STEP.
    - ANOTHER MODEL?
    - AMORTIZE?
  - ZK PROOFS ON EACH MESSAGE
    - POSTPONE PROOFS TO THE END, GET RID OF OT.