

# Outsourcing Private RAM Computation



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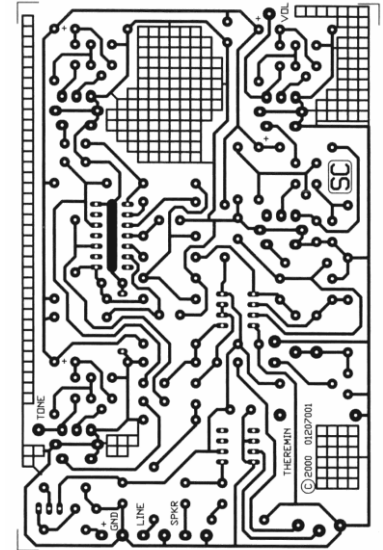
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# Private Outsourcing

- Client wants to leverage resources of a powerful server to compute  $f(x)$  without revealing  $x$ .
- Efficiency Requirements:
  - Client works **much less** than computing  $f(x)$
  - Server does **about as much** work as computing  $f(x)$

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  - RAM complexity  $\ll$  circuit complexity ( $T$  vs.  $T^2$ )
  - For programs where “data resides in memory”, the gap can be fully exponential (e.g., Google search).
- Note: using **ORAM**, can run computation on **outsourced data** where **client & server work as hard as the RAM**.

# Our Work

- First constructions that allow private outsourcing of RAM computation.
  - **Client** work  $\approx$  input size  $|x|$ .
  - **Server** work  $\approx$  RAM run time of  $f(x)$ .

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- “basic” construction from *iO*
  - Client does one-time preprocessing for a program, then can outsource many independent computations for cheap.
- “best case” construction from a variant of *diO*.
  - Client can also outsource a large database.  
Each computation can read/write to the database.
  - No pre-processing for the program.

# “Reusable Garbled RAM”

- Program  $P$   $\rightarrow$  Garbled  $\tilde{P}$ 
  - Client “preprocessing” can be related to RAM run-time of  $P$ .
- Input  $x$   $\rightarrow$  Garbled  $\tilde{x}$ 
  - Client “online work” related only to  $|x|$
- Garbled  $\tilde{P} + \tilde{x}$   $\rightarrow$   $P(x)$  and nothing more
  - Server work related to RAM run-time of  $P$ .
- **Prior Work: “one-time” garbled RAM. [LO13,GHLORW14]**
  - One garbled input per garbled program. Not useful for outsourcing.
- **New: “reusable” garbled RAM.**
  - Many garbled inputs for the same garbled program.

# Our Approach

- Combination of:
  - “One-time Garbled RAM” [LO13,GHLORW’14]
  - “Reusable garbled circuits” [GKPVZ’13]
- **Idea:** Create a reusable garbled circuit that gets  $x$  computes a fresh one-time garbled RAM:  $\tilde{P}, \tilde{x}$



# Main Difficulty

Need to garble circuit with **small input**, **huge output**

Want to have **small garbled inputs**.

- Not achieved by known constructions [GKPVZ13].
- Show: **not possible** with **simulation-based security**.
- **New:** make due with weaker notions of security for garbled circuits: “**distributional indistinguishability**”
- **New:** constructions of such reusable garbled circuits with “right efficiency” based on obfuscation.
  - **Open Problem:** weaker assumptions!

Thank You!

Don't turn me into a  
circuit!

