

# Strong Conditional Oblivious Transfer and Computing on Intervals



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# Motivation for the Greater Than Predicate

HAHA!! I'll set  
 $y := x - 0.01$



A: I would like to buy tickets to Cheju Island.

B: My prices are so low, I cannot tell them!  
Tell me how much money you have ( $x$ ), and if  
it's more than my price ( $y$ ), I'd sell it to you for  $y$ .



A: We better securely evaluate Greater Than (GT).

GT Uses:

- Auction systems
- Secure database mining
- Computational Geometry

# [ Previous work on GT ]

- Yao's Two Millionaires
- Yao's Garbled Circuit
  - Rogaway, 1991
  - Naor, Pinkas, Sumner, 1999
  - Lindell, Pinkas, 2004
- Sander, Young, Yung, 1999
- Fischlin, 2001
- Many others

# [ Our Model ]

A: Let's do it in **one round** – I hate waiting!



B: Let's be **Semi-Honest**.

That means we will not deviate from our protocol. We can, however, try to learn things we aren't supposed to by observing our communication.



A: Also, I will have **unlimited computation power**.

B: That sounds complicated. Most efficient solutions won't work (e.g. garbled circuit).

# Tools – Homomorphic Encryption

Encryption scheme, such that:

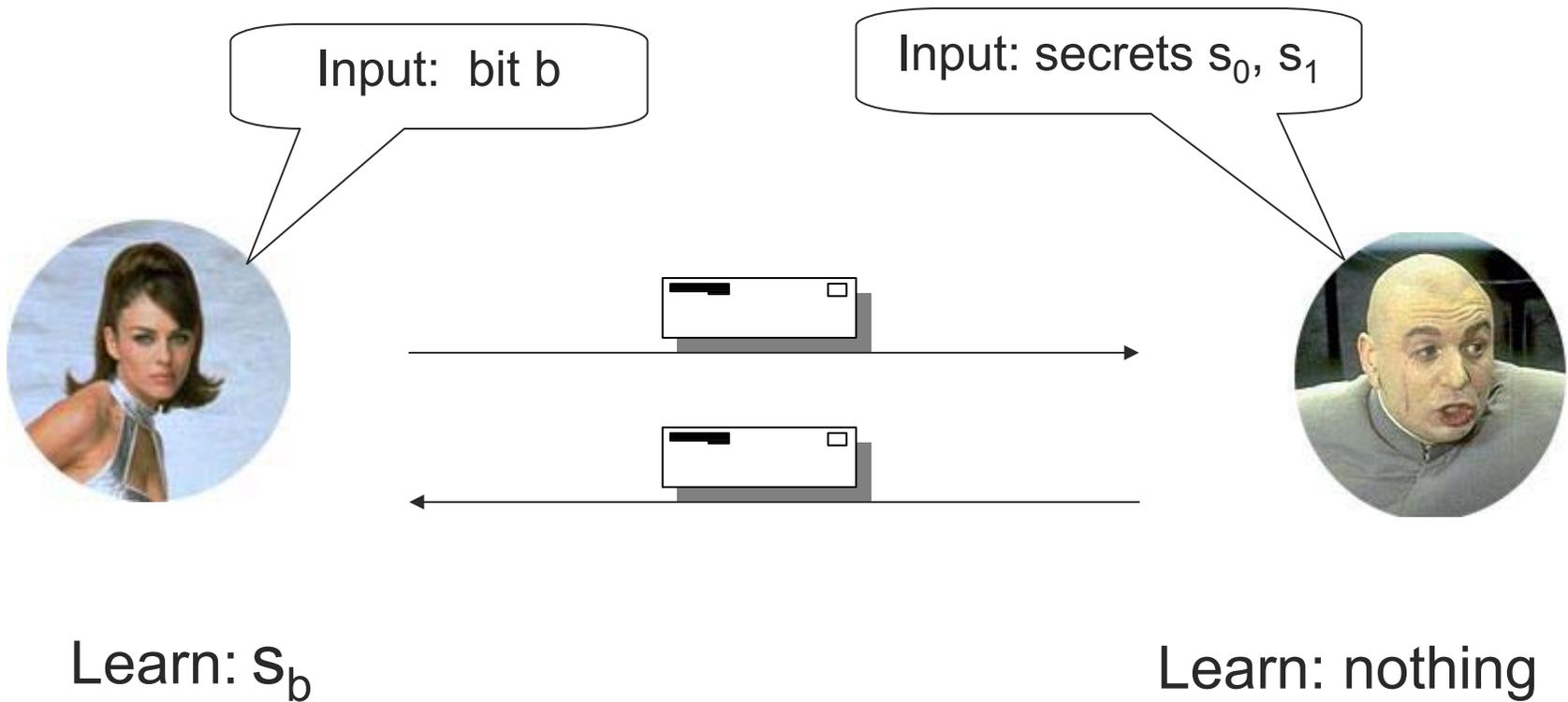
Given  $E(m_1)$ ,  $E(m_2)$  and public key,  
allows to compute  $E(m_1 \otimes m_2)$

We will need:

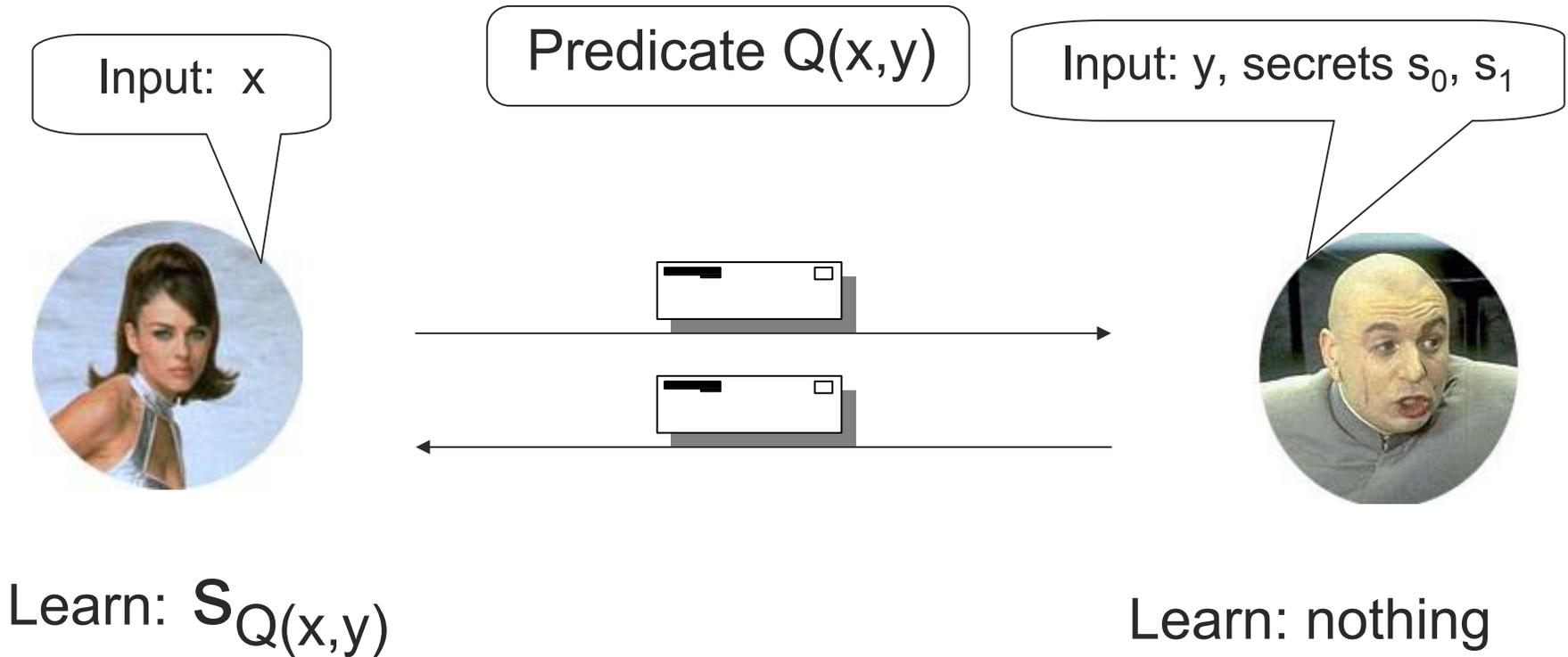
- Additively homomorphic ( $\otimes = +$ ) schemes
- Large plaintext group

The Paillier scheme satisfies our requirements

# [ Oblivious Transfer (OT) ]



# [ Strong Conditional OT (SCOT) ]



# [ Q-SCOT ]

Is a generalization of:

- COT of Di Crescenzo, Ostrovsky, Rajagopalan, 1999
- OT
- Secure evaluation of  $Q(x,y)$

# The GT-SCOT Protocol



$x_1, \dots, x_n$

pub, pri

$x_1, \dots, x_n$  pub



$s_0, s_1, y_1, \dots, y_n$

$x_1, \dots, x_n$  pub

$$d = x_1 - y_1, \dots, x_n - y_n$$

$$f = x_1 \oplus y_1, \dots, x_n \oplus y_n$$

$$x \oplus y = (x - y)^2 = x - 2xy + y$$

$$f = 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ \dots$$

$$\gamma = 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 9 \ 19 \ 38 \ \dots$$

$$\gamma^{-1} = -1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 3 \ 8 \ 18 \ 37 \ \dots$$

$$r(\gamma^{-1}) = r_1 r_2 \ 0 \ r_3 \ r_4 r_5 \ r_6 \ r_7 \ \dots$$

$$d + r(\gamma^{-1}) = t_1 \ t_2 \ d_i \ t_3 \ t_4 t_5 \ t_6 \ t_7 \ \dots$$

$$\gamma: \gamma_0 = 0, \gamma_i = 2\gamma_{i-1} + f_i$$

$$\delta: \delta_i = d_i + r_i (\gamma_i - 1)$$

$$\mu: \mu_i = \frac{1}{2} ((s_1 - s_0)\delta_i + s_1 + s_0)$$

$\pi(\mu)$

$\downarrow s_j$



$\pi(\mu)$

# Interval-SCOT



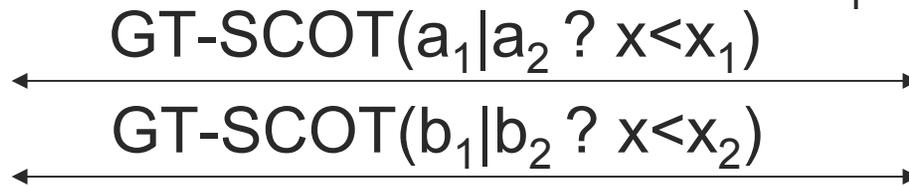
$x$

$$x_1, x_2, s_0, s_1 \in D_S$$



$$s_0 = a_1 + b_1 = a_2 + b_2$$

$$s_1 = a_2 + b_1$$



↓  $a_i + b_j$

# [ Union of Intervals-SCOT ]



$x$

$I_1, \dots, I_k, s_0, s_1 \in D_S$



$$s_1 = \sum_i s_{i1}$$

$$s_1 - s_0 = s_{i1} - s_{i0}$$

I-SCOT( $s_{11} | s_{10} ? x \in I_1$ )



I-SCOT( $s_{k1} | s_{k0} ? x \in I_k$ )



$\downarrow \sum_i s_i ?$

# Conclusions

- General and composable definition of SCOT
- SCOT solutions (GT, I, UI)
  - Simple and composable
  - Orders of magnitude improvement in communication (loss in computational efficiency in some cases)
  - Especially efficient for transferring larger secrets ( e.g.  $\approx 1000$  bits )

# [ Resource Comparison ]

Protocol	GT predicate		$c$ -bit GT-SCOT, $c < \log N$		$k$ -UI-SCOT	
	mod. mult.	comm.	mod. mult.	comm.	mod. mult.	comm.
F01	$8n\lambda$	$\lambda n \log N$	$32nc\lambda$	$4nc\lambda \log N$	$64kn\lambda^2$	$8kn\lambda^2 \log N$
DOR99	$8n$	$4n \log N$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
our work	$16n \log N$	$4n \log N$	$20n \log N$	$4n \log N$	$40kn \log N$	$8kn \log N$