

1 / p-Secure Multiparty Computation without Honest Majority and the Best of Both Worlds

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Our Results in a Glance

- ▶ We explore $1/p$ -secure multiparty protocols **without** an honest majority
- ▶ Positive result:
 - $1/p$ -secure protocols for **constant** number of parties for computing any function with polynomial-sized range tolerating any number of corrupt parties
- ▶ Impossibility result:
 - There is no general $1/p$ -secure protocol for **non-constant** number of parties
- ▶ Best of both worlds:
 - A single protocol that
 - ▶ Honest majority \rightarrow Full security
 - ▶ No honest majority $\rightarrow 1/p$ -security

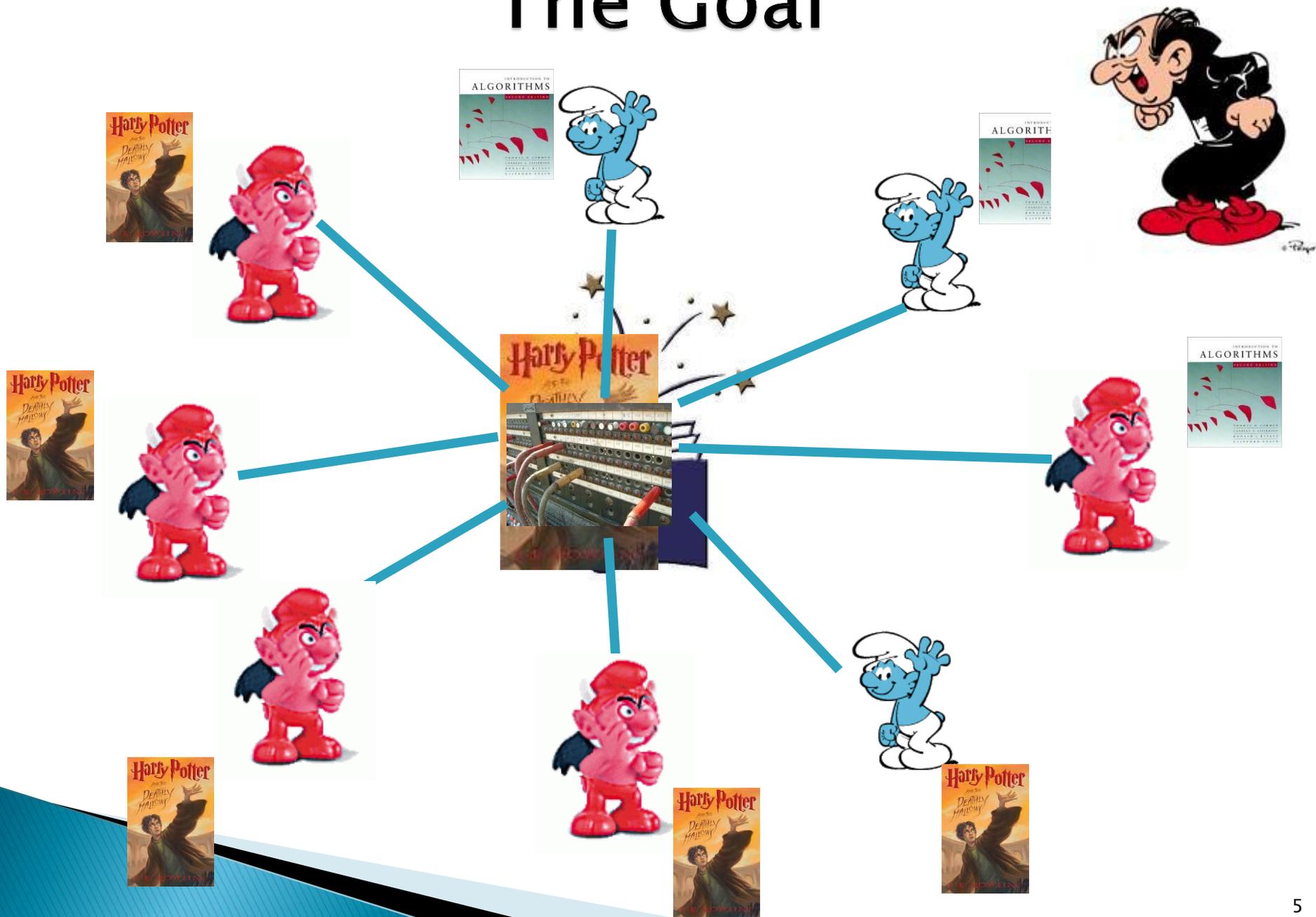
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A Motivating Story



The Goal



The Model

- ▶ m parties
- ▶ r -round protocol
 - $r = \text{poly}(\text{security parameter})$
- ▶ Adversary:
 - Polynomial time
 - Malicious – corrupts and controls some of the parties
 - Rushing adversary
 - In each round:
 - Sees all messages of honest parties
 - Chooses and sends messages on behalf of malicious parties
 - Can depend on the messages of honest parties
 - More realistic than simulations channels
- ▶ Broadcast channel

Security Definitions

- ▶ The security definitions involve a comparison between two worlds:

Ideal World

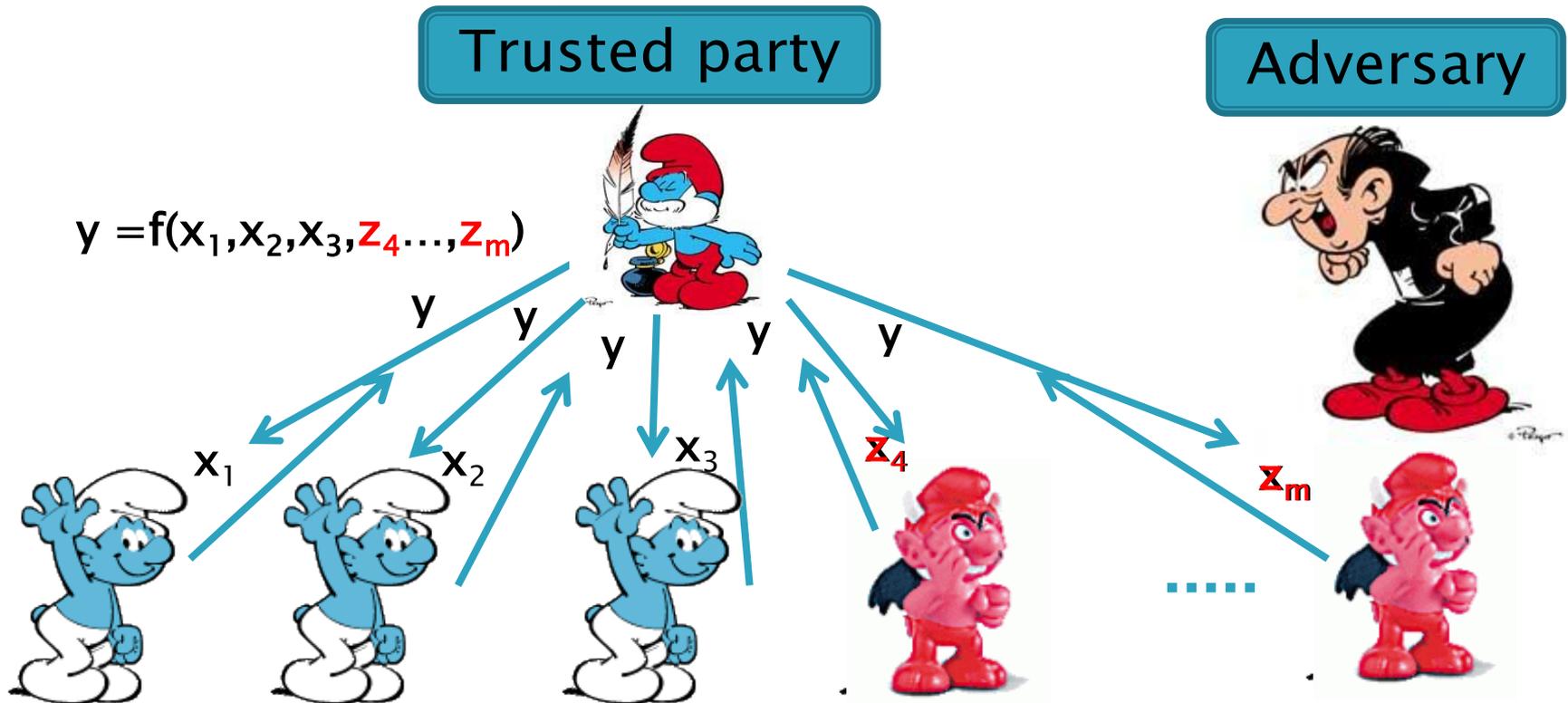
There is a trusted party that helps with the computation



Real World

The protocol

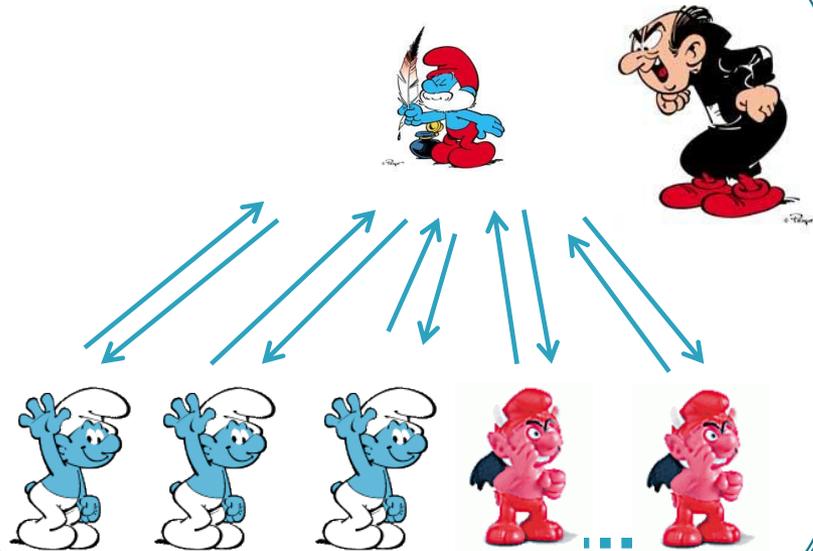
Ideal Computation of a Function



- ▶ Guarantees many nice properties:
Privacy, correctness, and **Fairness**
(fairness = corrupt parties get the output \Rightarrow
the honest parties get the output)

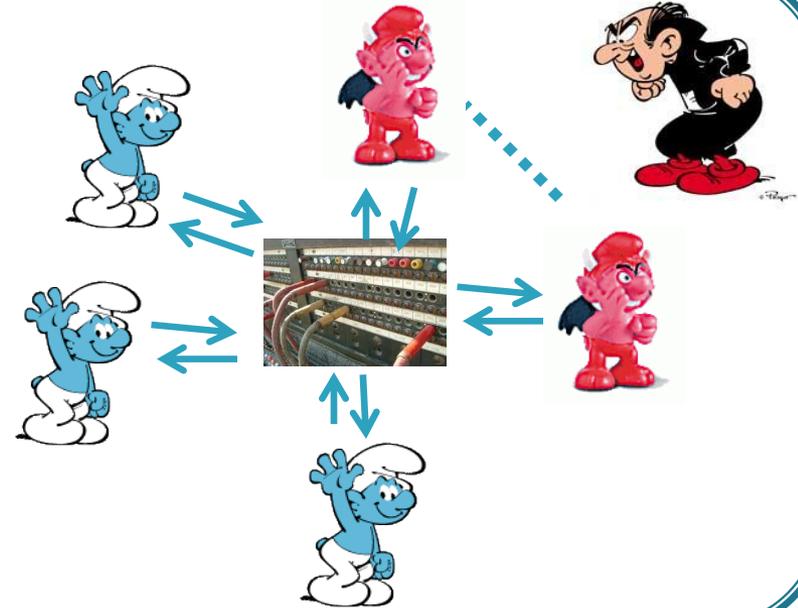
Secure Computation – Full Security

Ideal World



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Real World



Security Requirement:

No REAL world adversary can do more harm than IDEAL world adversary

Is Full Security Achievable?

- ▶ [GoldreichMicaliWigderson87]: Any polynomial-time F can be computed with full security **with** an honest majority
- ▶ [Cleave86]: Any r -round m -party coin-tossing protocol has bias $\Omega(1/r)$ **without** an honest majority
- ▶ Conclusion: impossible to achieve full security **without** an honest majority for general functionalities

What Can Be Achieved Without an Honest Majority ?

- ▶ [GMW87]: Security-with-abort
 - Achieved without an honest majority
 - Does not provide **ANY** fairness!!
 - The adversary can learn the output, while the honest parties learn nothing

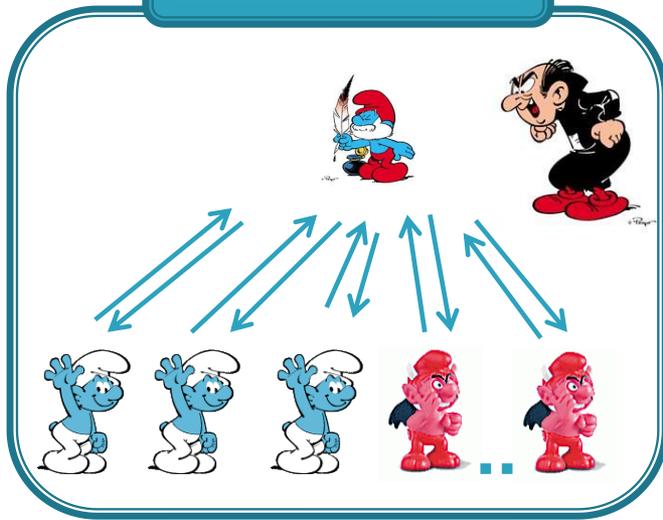
Can we get reasonable fairness without honest majority?



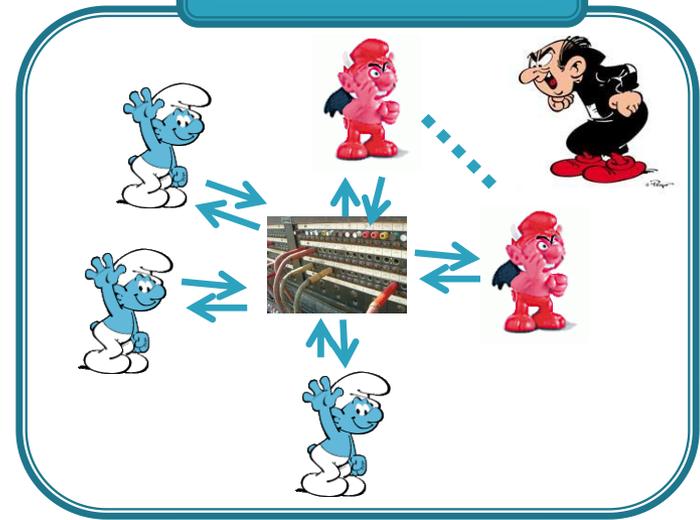
1 / p-Security [Gordon, Katz 2010]

- ▶ Compare the previous two worlds:

Ideal World



Real World



- ▶ Full security – REAL fully emulates IDEAL
- ▶ 1 / p-security – REAL emulates IDEAL within “computational distance” of at most 1 / p

1 / p-Secure 2-Party Computation [GK10]

- ▶ For every function F , where the size of domain or range is polynomial, there exists a 1 / p-secure 2-party protocol
 - For every polynomial p
- ▶ Impossibility: Domain or range have to be polynomial

GK: Can this result be extended to the multiparty case?

YES! NO!

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Our Main Result

Theorem: For every function F , where

1. Number of parties m is constant
2. Size of range of F is polynomial

Informally: We constructed
there exists a $1/p$ -secure protocol that
tolerates up to $m-1$ corrupt parties

- For every polynomial p

**$1/p$ -secure protocols for
constant number of parties**

Also when

1. No. of corrupt parties $< 2m/3$
2. F is deterministic & size of domain of F is constant
3. $m = O(\log \log n)$

An Impossibility Result

- ▶ Special case of possibility result: There exists a $1/p$ -secure protocol when
 - m is constant
 - F is deterministic
 - $|\text{Domain}|$ of each party is polynomial
- ▶ Impossibility: Such protocol is not possible when m is non-constant
 - Explains why $m=O(1)$ in our result

Best of Both Worlds

- ▶ [GMW 87]: Any polynomial-time F can be computed by a protocol with full security with an honest majority
- ▶ If there is no honest majority, the above protocol does not guarantee any security

▶ Goal: Single protocol that achieves

- ▶ Honest majority \rightarrow
- ▶ No honest majority (fallback)

Total disaster !!!

▶ [IshaiKatz] suggested security

- ▶ Do not



[Petrank]: Defined the problem and achieving several models of fallback

above goal (for some good reasons)

Our Results: $1/p$ -Security is Possible as a Fallback

- Informally:**
- ▶ For every function F for m parties, if
 1. Both the domain and the range are polynomial
 2. m is constantthen, there exists a (single) protocol
 - ▶ Honest majority \rightarrow Full security
 - ▶ No honest majority $\rightarrow 1/p$ -security
 - ▶ This is best of both worlds!
 - ▶ Secure-with-abort is not possible as a fallback [IKKLP]
 - ▶ Strong motivation for $1/p$ -security

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The Structure of Our Protocol

- ▶ The protocol has 2 steps:
 - Preprocessing step
 - r rounds of interaction
- ▶ Preprocessing: The parties execute a secure-with-abort protocol:
 - The parties input their inputs
 - Receive a set of shares and signed **messages** for executing an r -round protocol
- ▶ Rounds of Interaction: There are r rounds, in each round:
 - Each party broadcasts its **message**
 - Each subset of parties learns a value
 - The value is used if other parties abort

The Structure of Our Protocol (2)

- ▶ There is a special round, called i^*
 - After round i^* , each subset of parties receives the actual output of F
 - Before round i^* , each subset of parties receives a value that depends only on its inputs
- ▶ To cause “computational distance”, the adversary must guess i^*
- ▶ The value of i^* is concealed
- ▶ This structure was used in previous constructions:
[IKLP06, Katz06, GK06, GHKL06, MNS09, GK10, BOO10, ...]

New Challenges and New Ideas

- ▶ How to conceal the value of i^* in a multiparty setting?
- ▶ How to deal with any possible abort of any subset?
- ▶ Some of the solutions:
 - The information is shared in a few layers of secret sharing
 - After an abort, the remaining parties execute a protocol
 - This protocol has to conceal i^*

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* Some restriction might apply

The Future

NEXT EXIT 

Open Problems

- ▶ Is there a $1/p$ -secure protocol for F with non-constant number of parties and polynomial-sized range and domain?
- ▶ Are there more efficient $1/p$ -secure protocols?
- ▶ Can we guarantee full-privacy and partial fairness in secure multiparty computation without an honest majority?
 - $1/p$ security: With prob. $1/p$ privacy can be totally lost
 - Maybe suggest new definitions?

Thank you !

