

CS 65500

Advanced Cryptography

Lecture 19: Function Secret Sharing

Instructor: Aarushi Goel
Spring 2025

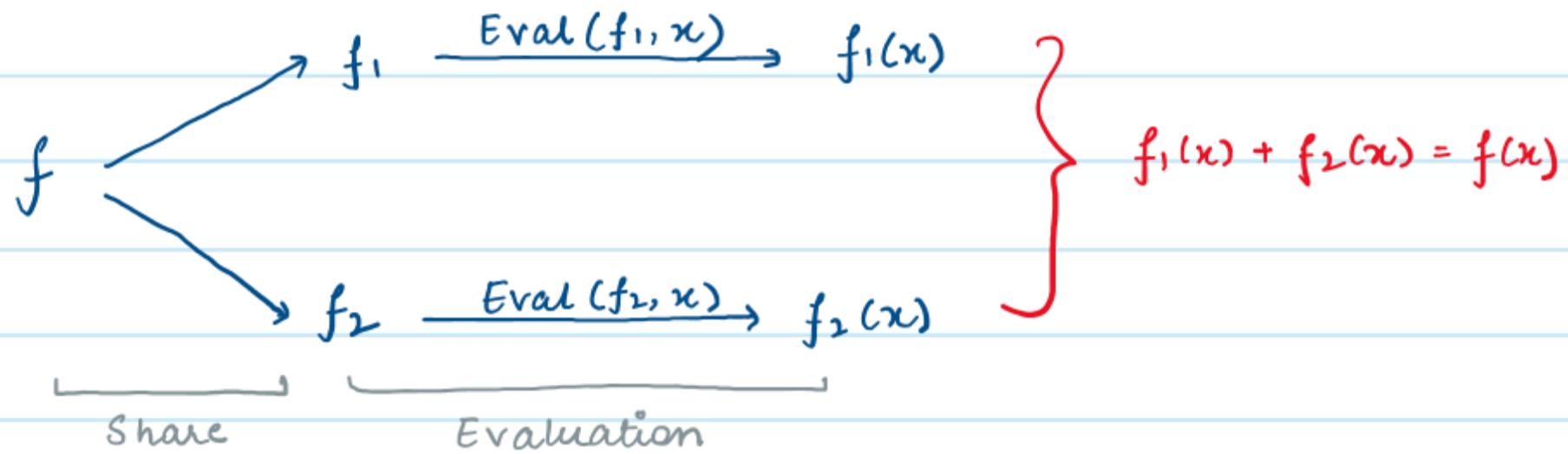
Agenda

- Function Secret Sharing
- Motivation
- Distributed Point Function

Secret Sharing Inputs vs Functions

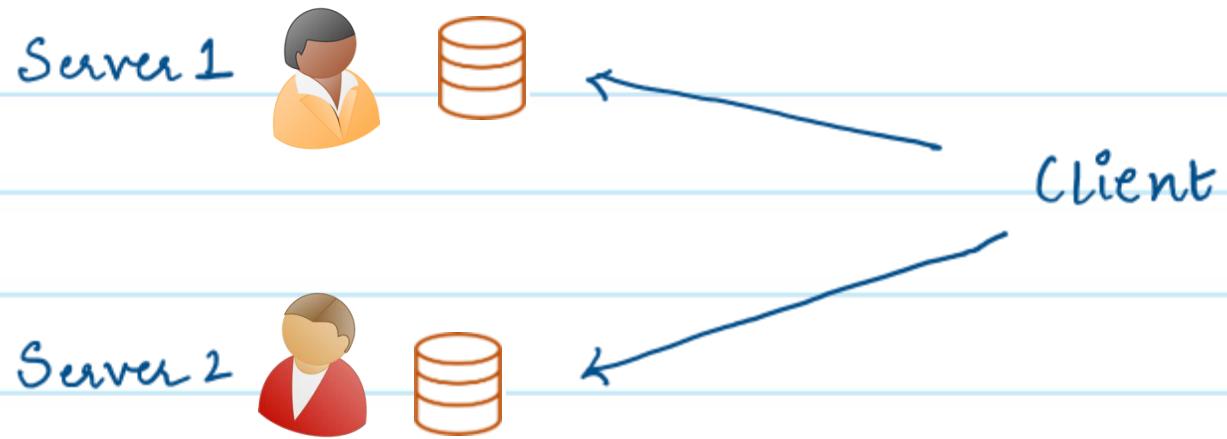
- So far, we have seen how a dealer can secret share an input amongst mutually distrustful parties.
- When using a linear secret sharing scheme, given secret shares of inputs, parties can non-interactively obtain secret shares of any linear combinations of the inputs.
- Today we are going to discuss a dual notion of *function secret sharing* (FSS)
- FSS enables a dealer to secret share a function amongst mutually distrustful parties
- Given secret shares of the function, the parties should be able to non-interactively compute shares of the output of this function on any common input.

Function Secret Sharing



- Function f is secret shared, input x is common.
- Each f_i should hide necessary information about f .
- Trivial Solution: Additive secret share each entry in the truth table of f . However this will result in shares that are linear in the domain size
- Challenge: Design FSS where shares are sublinear in the domain size.

Private Database Queries



Let's assume both servers hold a copy of a database. The client wants to query this database without revealing the query attributes (but revealing the query structure is okay!)

Example: Database contains the list of all the restaurants in west Lafayette.

Client wants to get a COUNT of *vegetarian*, *Greek* restaurants in the city.

OK with
revealing

should remain hidden

Query: COUNT(column) where $x_1=v_1$, $x_2=v_2$

↓
vegetarian

→ Greek

- We can define a predicate f_{y_1, y_2} such that $f_{y_1, y_2}(x_1, x_2) = 1$ iff $x_1=y_1$, and $x_2=y_2$, and 0 otherwise.
- The client can use FSS to compute shares of f_{y_1, y_2} and send them to the servers.
- The servers can use FSS shares and evaluate on all entries in the database. Sum these evaluations $z_i = \sum_j f_{y_1, y_2}(x_1^j, x_2^j)$ & send the sum to the client.
- Client computes: $z_1 + z_2 = \sum_j f_{y_1, y_2}(x_1^j, x_2^j)$.

A similar approach can be used to compute other statistical queries.

Function Secret Sharing for a Point Function

- Point Functions are of the form:

$$f_{(v_1, \dots, v_n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_1 = v_1, \dots, x_n = v_n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

we can simplify this to :

$$f_y(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x=y \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- FSS for point functions is called a *distributed point function* (DPF)

- DPFs are very useful in various secure computation applications.

(we will see one such application in
the next class)

Defining Two-Party Distributed Point Function

Let $f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow G$ be a point function.

Definition: A two-party DPF scheme is defined by PPT algorithms (Gen, Eval):

- * Gen($1^\lambda, f$): On input f and the security parameter 1^λ , it outputs shares f_1, f_2 .
- * Eval(i, f_i, x): On input $i \in [2]$, share f_i and input $x \in \{0,1\}^n$, it outputs $y_i \in G$

These algorithms must satisfy the following properties:

- Correctness: For any point function $f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow G$ and any input $x \in \{0,1\}^n$, if $f_1, f_2 \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^\lambda, f)$, then $\Pr[\text{Eval}(1, f_1, x) + \text{Eval}(2, f_2, x) = f(x)] = 1$
- Security: For any point functions g, h , and any $i \in [2]$, the following distributions are computationally indistinguishable:

$$\{ g_i | (g_1, g_2) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^\lambda, g) \}$$

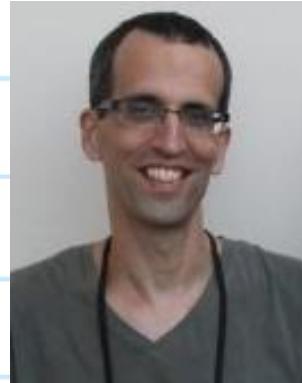
$$\{ h_i | (h_1, h_2) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^\lambda, h) \}$$

Construction of DPFs.

- We can build 2-party DPFs from DWFs.
- Most efficient known construction of 2-party DPFs yields shares of size polylog in the domain size.
- Today: We will discuss a simpler construction where shares are of size square root in the domain size.
- Both of these constructions are by:



Elette Boyle



Niv Gilboa



Yuval Ishai

Construction of DPFs.

Let N be the size of the domain. For simplicity let's consider point functions of the form $f_y: [N] \rightarrow \{0,1\}$. Let $\ell = \sqrt{N}$

1. Let us start by listing all the domain elements in an $\ell \times \ell$ size matrix

1	- - -	- - -	ℓ
$\ell+1$	- - -	- - -	2ℓ
:	- - -	- - -	:
:	- - -	- - -	N
:	- - -	- - -	:
	- - -	- - -	

$\ell \times \ell$

1	- - -	- - -	ℓ
$\ell+1$	- - -	- - -	2ℓ
:	- - -	- - -	:
:	- - -	- - -	N
:	- - -	- - -	:
	- - -	- - -	

$\ell \times \ell$

1	- - -	- - -	ℓ
$\ell+1$	- - -	- - -	2ℓ
:	- - -	- - -	:
:	- - -	- - -	N
:	- - -	- - -	:
	- - -	- - -	

1	- - -	- - -	ℓ
$\ell+1$	- - -	- - -	2ℓ
:	- - -	- - -	:
:	- - -	- - -	N
:	- - -	- - -	:
	- - -	- - -	

Let the $(i^*, j^*)^{th}$ element in this matrix be
the input on which $f_y()$ outputs 1.

(We know that $f_y()$ outputs 0 on all other inputs)

2. Let $\text{PRG}: \{0,1\}^\ell \rightarrow \{0,1\}^\ell$ be a pseudorandom generator. We will sample a PRG seed s_i for each row $i \in [\ell]$.
3. Starting Idea: Each FSS share f_i will consist of all the seeds s_1, \dots, s_ℓ . For evaluating on any input x , determine its corresponding location (i, j) in the matrix, then compute $\text{PRG}(s_i)$ & output the j^{th} bit.

For each $i \neq i^*$: Observe that both parties will compute the same shares: $\text{Eval}(1, f_1, x) = \text{Eval}(2, f_2, x) = \text{PRG}_i(s_i)[j]$.
⇒ They compute shares of 0, which is what we want.

For row i^* : For the input corresponding to location (i^*, j^*) in the matrix, we want parties to be able to compute additive secret shares of 1, not 0. But for inputs corresponding to all other (i^*, j) , $j \neq j^*$, we still want parties to be able to compute additive shares of 0.

⇒ The approach described on the previous slide does not work!

Modification:

- Share f_1 will consist of all seeds s_1, \dots, s_k → Share f_2 will consist of the same seeds except s_{i^*} will be replaced with a random independently sampled s'_{i^*}
- In addition to these seeds, both parties also get a correction word w , such that $\text{PRG}(s_{i^*}) \oplus \text{PRG}(s'_{i^*}) \oplus w = e_{j^*}$
 e_{j^} is a length bit string that is 0 everywhere except at position j^* .*
- During evaluation, we want this correction word to be used only when $i = i^*$. But this must be done in a manner that does not reveal i^* to either party.

Final Construction:

- **Gen(i^* , f_y):** Let the location corresponding to y in the matrix be (i^*, j^*) .
 $\forall i \in [u]$, sample $s_i \xleftarrow{S} \{0, 1\}^{\lambda}$, sample another $s'_i \xleftarrow{S} \{0, 1\}^{\lambda}$.
 $\forall i \in [u]$, sample bits $b_1, \dots, b_u \xleftarrow{S} \{0, 1\}$.
 Compute: $w = \text{PRG}(s_i) \oplus \text{PRG}(s'_i) \oplus e_{j^*}$
 * Share f_1 : $(s_1, \dots, s_u, w, b_1, \dots, b_u)$.
 * Share f_2 : $(s_1, \dots, s'_i, \dots, s_u, w, b_1, \dots, (1-b_i), \dots, b_u)$.
- **Eval(i, f_i, x):** Let (i, j) be the location corresponding to input x .
 output $y_i = (\text{PRG}(s_i) \oplus b_i \cdot w)[j]$

Correctness: Depending on (i, j) corresponding to x , we consider the following cases:

1) $i \neq i^*$: $y_1 = (\text{PRG}(s_i) \oplus b_i \cdot w)[j]$

$$y_2 = (\text{PRG}(s_i) \oplus b_i \cdot w)[j]$$

$$y_1 \oplus y_2 = 0 = f_y(x)$$

2) $i = i^*, j \neq j^*$: $y_1 = (\text{PRG}(s_{i^*}) \oplus b_{i^*} \cdot w)[j]$

$$y_2 = (\text{PRG}(s_{i^*}') \oplus (1 - b_{i^*}) \cdot w)[j]$$

$$y_1 \oplus y_2 = (\text{PRG}(s_{i^*}) \oplus \text{PRG}(s_{i^*}') \oplus w)[j] = c_{j^*}[j]$$

3) $i = i^*, j = j^*$: $y_1 = (\text{PRG}(s_{i^*}) \oplus b_{i^*} \cdot w)[j^*]$

$$y_2 = (\text{PRG}(s_{i^*}') \oplus (1 - b_{i^*}) \cdot w)[j^*]$$

$$y_1 \oplus y_2 = (\text{PRG}(s_{i^*}) \oplus \text{PRG}(s_{i^*}') \oplus w)[j^*] = c_{j^*}[j^*] = 1$$

Security: We want to show that each share f_i , hides y (or equivalently i^*, j^*)

1. $f_1 = (s_1, \dots, s_\ell, w, b_1, \dots, b_\ell)$

uniform \downarrow uniform | i^* remains hidden.

$$w = \text{PRG}_1(s_i^*) \oplus \underbrace{\text{PRG}_1(s_i^{*\dagger})}_{\text{PRG}_1(s_i^*)} \oplus e_j^*$$

Since this party does not get $s_i^{*\dagger}$, $\text{PRG}_1(s_i^{*\dagger})$ acts as a one-time pad for masking e_j^* . Hence j^* remains hidden.

2. $f_2 = (s_1, \dots, s_{i^*}, \dots, s_\ell, w, b_1, \dots, (1-b_{i^*}), \dots, b_\ell)$

similar argument as above