

# Securely Outsourcing Garbled Circuit Evaluation

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# SMC on mobile devices

- Mobile devices loaded with private and context-sensitive information and applications that use this information
- Secure Multiparty Computation (SMC) allows computation over encrypted inputs
- Highly constrained system resources (memory, power, processing, communication)



# Why don't we have mobile SMC?

- The dominant construction, garbled circuits, require too much memory and processing power
- Special purpose protocols can be optimized, but no efficient general purpose techniques
- Wish: an efficient mobile two-party SMC scheme that generalizes to any function

# Leveraging the cloud?

- Kreuter et al. provide an efficient way to perform maliciously secure SMC in large servers
- Assuming a device has a connection to a cloud service, can the expensive computation associated with garbled circuits be outsourced?
- We cannot simply trust the cloud.



# Outsourcing Garbled Circuit Evaluation

- Setting: A limited mobile device (Alice) communicating with a web server (Bob). Alice also has access to a cloud service (Cloud).
- Goal: Alice and Bob securely compute a two-party function using garbled circuits. We consider the case where Bob generates the circuit and Alice evaluates.
- Security:
  - Preserve input and output privacy from both the other party and the cloud
  - Security in the malicious setting.

## Our construction

- Begin with malicious secure technique developed by Kreuter et al.
- Adapt consistency checks such that Alice and Bob are assured that *all* parties are behaving
- Add "Outsourced Oblivious Transfer" construction to preserve mobile bandwidth



- 5 stages:
  - Circuit construction and validity check
  - OOT
  - Generator input consistency check
  - Circuit evaluation in the cloud
  - Output check and delivery









Alice (evaluator)





# Security

- We retain all the security checks from Kreuter et al. to preserve security in:
  - Garbled circuits
  - Input consistency between evaluation circuits
  - Output integrity and majority check
  - OOT
- Formal proofs of malicious security in our tech report

**Definition 1** A protocol securely computes a function f if there exists a set of probabilistic polynomial-time (PPT) simulators  $\{Sim_i\}_{i \in [3]}$  such that for all PPT adversaries  $(A_1, ..., A_3)$ , x, z, and for all  $i \in [3]$ :

 $\{REAL^{(i)}(k,x;r)\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}} \stackrel{c}{\approx} \{IDEAL^{(i)}(k,x;r)\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ 

Where  $S = (S_1, ..., S_3)$ ,  $S_i = Sim_i(A_i)$ , and r is random and uniform.

## Side note: collusion

- We prohibit collusion between the cloud and either party
  - Our OT construction breaks if Alice + cloud collude
  - The garbled circuit security breaks if Bob + cloud collude
- Kamara et al. notes that an outsourcing scheme with collusion implies an SFE scheme where one party performs sub-linear work w.r.t. circuit size.
- Realistic scenario: cloud service must preserve security and business reputation



#### Implementation

- Testbed
  - Dell R610 servers, dual 6-core Intel Xeon, 32 GB RAM
  - Galaxy Nexus, dual core I.2 GHz, I GB RAM
  - 802.11n (54 Mbps), Internal VLAN (1 Gbps)
- Test apps
  - Millionaire's Problem
  - Edit Distance
  - Set Intersection
  - ► AES-128

# Results: Edit Distance Execution Time

#### Total runtime

#### Phase runtimes



98.9% speedup

# Results: Edit Distance Bandwidth

#### Total bandwidth



# Results: Edit Distance Over Multiple Circuits

#### Phase runtimes



# Case study: large circuits

- Examined RSA-128 circuit used by Kreuter et al.
- Developed privacy-preserving navigation application
  - Alice inputs a start and end point, Bob inputs outages in a road system. The area map is publicly available
  - The circuit performs Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm to determine the shortest path from start to finish avoiding outages
  - The circuit returns the route to Alice.
  - Considered graphs of 20, 50, 100 nodes
- Testbed: 64 cores, I TB memory

# Privacy-Preserving Navigation



## Case study: results

- Run some of the largest circuits ever publicly evaluated from a mobile device
- Dijkstra's over 100 nodes > 2 billion gates un-optimized
- Evaluation times (128 circuits):
  - I00 nodes ~ 42 minutes
  - 20 nodes ~ 100 seconds

# Conclusion

- Costly SMC operations can be outsourced to the cloud securely
- We develop a new OOT protocol to allow outsourced garbled circuit evaluation
- Experimental results show significant performance gains over evaluating directly from the device

