

Correlated Pseudorandomness from the Hardness of Quasi-Abelian Decoding

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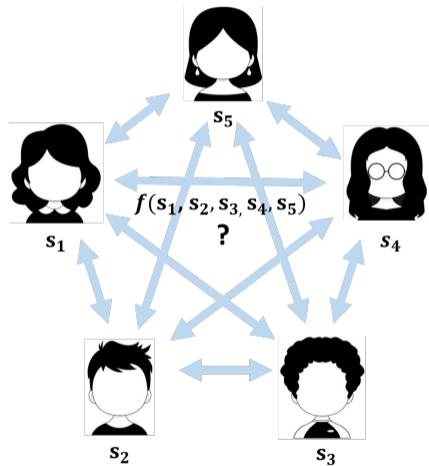
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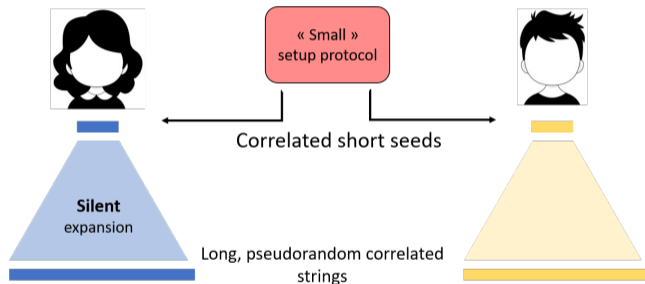
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- Oblivious Linear Evaluation $\alpha = (u, v), \beta = (\Delta, w = \Delta \cdot u + v)$.
Can be rewritten as: $\alpha = (u, \llbracket \Delta \cdot u \rrbracket_0), \beta = (\Delta, \llbracket \Delta \cdot u \rrbracket_1)$

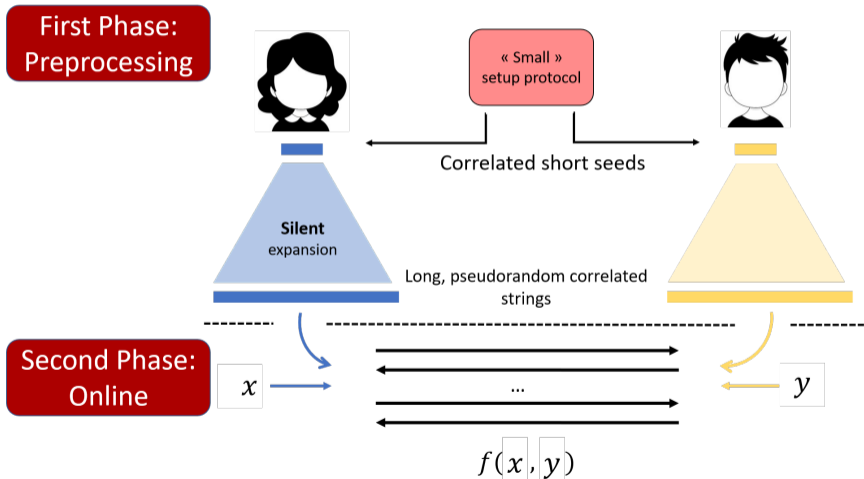
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A PCG is a functionality that shares short correlated seeds with the parties, and that the parties can locally extend into long strings of the target correlation.



MPC with Silent Preprocessing



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A first solution [BCG⁺20]

Solution for producing n instances of OLE [BCG⁺20]

- Choose a polynomial P that splits into $n = \deg(P)$ linear factors
- Build a PCG for a single OLE over $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{F}_q[X]/(P(X))$
- Use the Chinese Remainder Theorem to convert this unique OLE, into n OLE correlation over \mathbb{F}_q .
- Security relies on the ring Ring Syndrome Decoding assumption.

Some limitations of the construction:

- If we want to produce n correlations, we should have $|\mathbb{F}_q| > n$. Hence the construction works only over large fields.
- Conditions on P ? The choice of P matters for security: how to choose it?

Our Contribution

Introduction of Quasi-Abelian Syndrome Decoding.

- Broad family of possible instantiations
- Rich structure that allows stronger security foundations

We identify some group algebras \mathcal{R} such that:

- They support fast operations.
- They are isomorphic to a product of n copies of \mathbb{F}_q for $q > 2$.
- They have a canonical notion of sparsity.

Group Algebras and Quasi-Abelian Codes

We define a Group Algebra, for a finite abelian group G of formal sums $\mathbb{F}_q[G] := \left\{ \sum_{g \in G} a_g g \mid a_g \in \mathbb{F}_q \right\}$.

Some examples:

- Let $G = \{1\}$ be the trivial group with one element. Then the group algebra $\mathbb{F}_q[G]$ is isomorphic to the finite field \mathbb{F}_q
- Let $G = \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ be the cyclic group with n elements. When q is coprime to n , $\mathbb{F}_q[G] \simeq \mathbb{F}_q[X]/(X^n - 1)$. This can be generalize :

$$\mathbb{F}_q[\mathbb{Z}/d_1\mathbb{Z} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}/d_r\mathbb{Z}] \simeq \mathbb{F}_q[X_1, \cdots, X_r]/(X_1^{d_1} - 1, \cdots, X_r^{d_r} - 1).$$

Group Algebras and Quasi-Abelian Codes

Given a matrix

$$\mathbf{\Gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_{1,1} & \cdots & \gamma_{1,\ell} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \gamma_{k,1} & \cdots & \gamma_{k,\ell} \end{pmatrix} \in (\mathbb{F}_q[G])^{k \times \ell},$$

a *Quasi-Abelian-G* group code defined by $\mathbf{\Gamma}$ is

$$C = \{\mathbf{m}\mathbf{\Gamma} \mid \mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_k) \in (\mathbb{F}_q[G])^k\},$$

Quasi-Abelian Codes examples

Some examples

- if $G = \{1\}$ then any linear code is a quasi-G code.
- if $G = \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$, and q is coprime to n . If we assume that $k = 1$ and $l = 2$ then a quasi- $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ code of index 2 is defined over \mathbb{F}_q by a double-circulant generator matrix:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} a_0 & a_1 & \dots & a_{n-1} & b_0 & b_1 & \dots & b_{n-1} \\ a_{n-1} & a_0 & \dots & a_{n-2} & b_{n-1} & b_0 & \dots & b_{n-2} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & \vdots & & & \vdots \\ a_1 & a_{n-1} & \dots & a_0 & b_1 & b_{n-1} & \dots & b_0 \end{array} \right).$$

This exactly a standard quasi-cyclic code with block length n .

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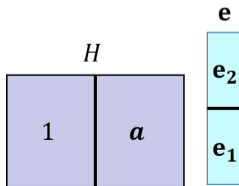
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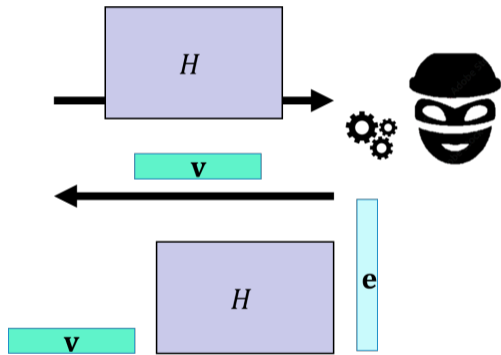
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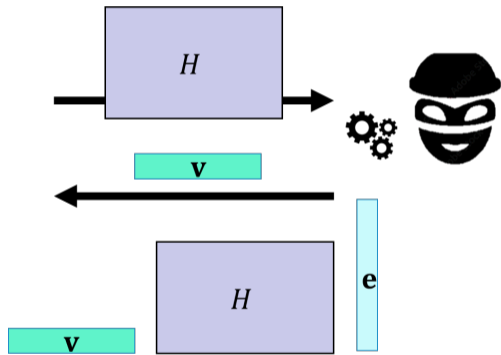
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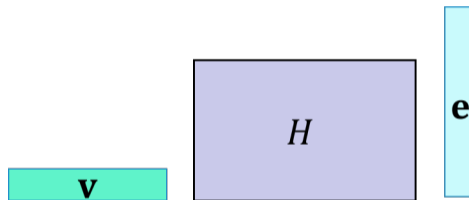
Resistance against linear attacks

Attacks	Linear?
Gaussian elimination	✓
Statistical decoding	✓
Information set decoding	✓
BKW	✓
Algebraic attack	✗

Table: Linearity of classical attacks

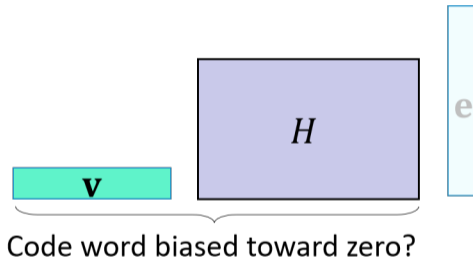
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- Resistance against linear attacks can be shown by analyzing the minimum distance of the code generated by the rows of H .

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Theorem (Fan and Lin, 2015)

Let G be a finite abelian group, and let $(C_\ell)_\ell$ be a sequence of random quasi- G codes of length $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ and rate $r \in (0, 1)$. Let $\delta \in (0, 1 - \frac{1}{q})$. Then,

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \Pr \left(\frac{d_{\min}(C_\ell)}{|G|} > \delta \ell \right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r < 1 - h_q(\delta); \\ 0 & \text{if } r > 1 - h_q(\delta); \end{cases}$$

and the convergence is exponentially fast.

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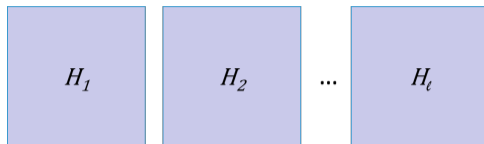


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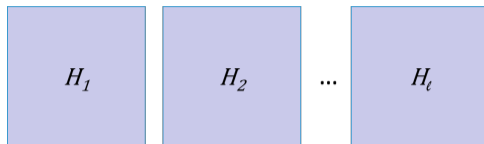


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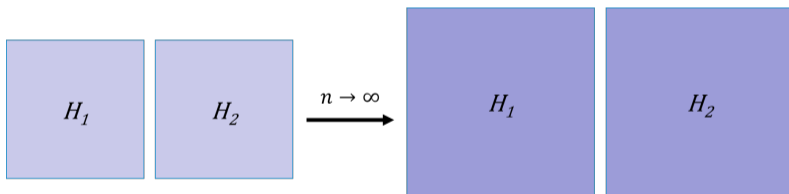


Figure: What we would like

- Open problem: Can we prove the same result when we fix the number of blocks but their size grows?

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- The product of two sparse elements remains sparse \rightarrow Can be succinctly distributed using FSS.

Function Secret Sharing (FSS)[BGI15]

For functions that are mainly zero, one can succinctly share the function f into

$$f = f_1 + f_2$$

Enables to split sparse multiplication of the form $e_0 \cdot e_1$.

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Open problems and perspectives

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- Extend Fan and Lin to a fixed number of blocks.
- Find a solution for $q = 2$.

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