

# FOLEAGE: $\mathbb{F}_4$ -OLE-Based MPC for Boolean Circuits

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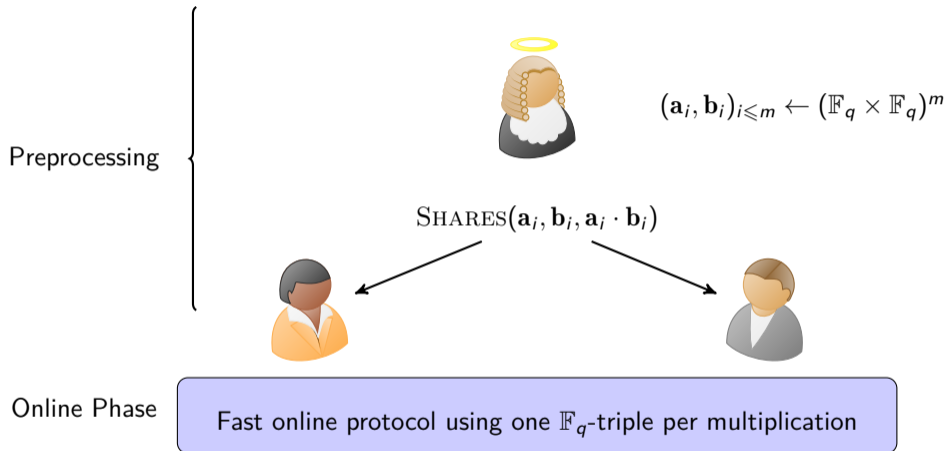
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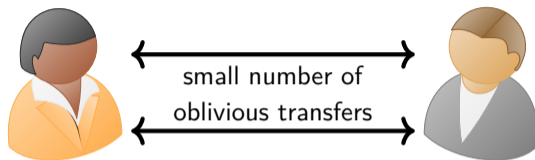


# MPC in the Correlated Randomness Model



How to efficiently distribute  $m$  ( $\approx 2^{30}$ ) random multiplication triples?

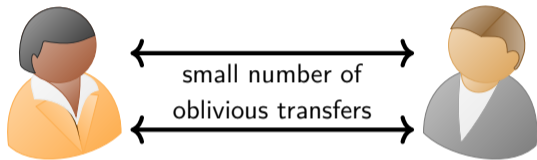
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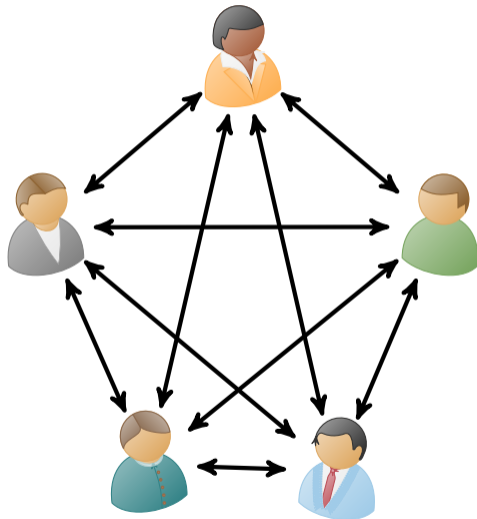
**OT Extension** (e.g. [IKNP03]):

Cheap symmetric cryptography to generate tons of OT.

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Communication scales as  $\Omega(m \cdot N^2)$  for  $m$  triples. ❌



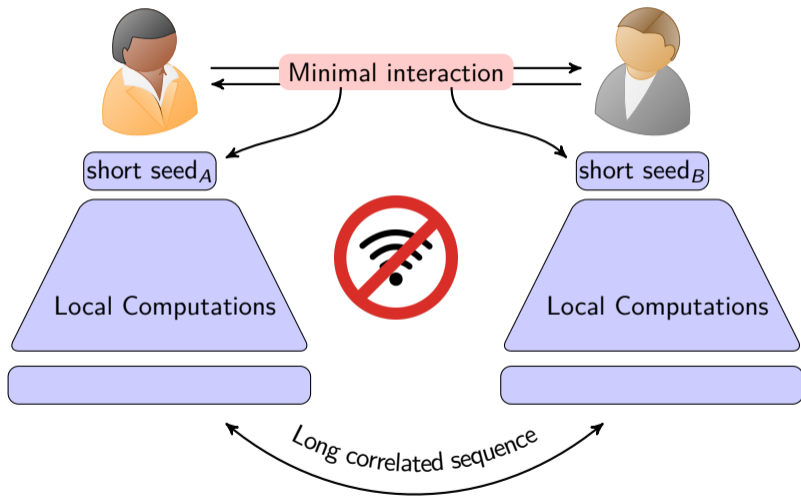
# Practical Secure Computation over Large Fields

- SPDZ protocol leverages (somewhat) homomorphic encryption to scale as  $O(m \cdot N)$ .
- Overdrive [KPR18]: Good concrete efficiency ( $\approx 10^5$  triples per second). ✓
- Only available over large fields. ✗

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Damgård, Pastro, Smart, Zakarias - *MPC from somewhat homomorphic encryption* - CRYPTO 2012  
Keller, Pastro, and Rotaru - *Overdrive: Making SPDZ great again* - EUROCRYPT 2018

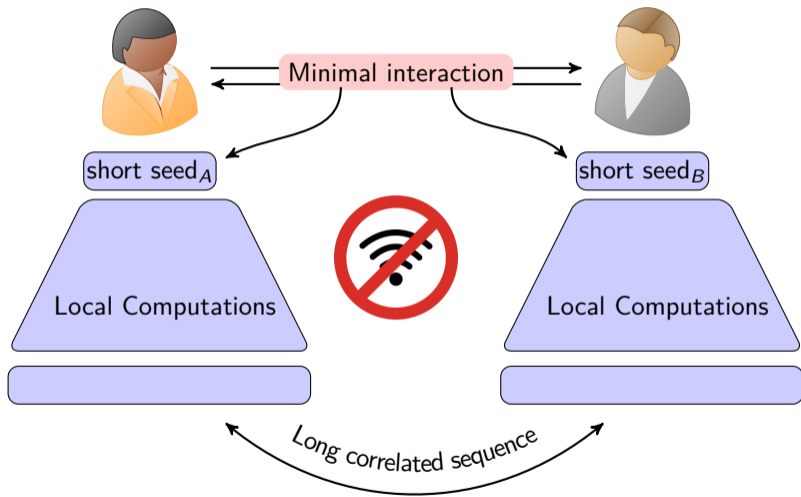
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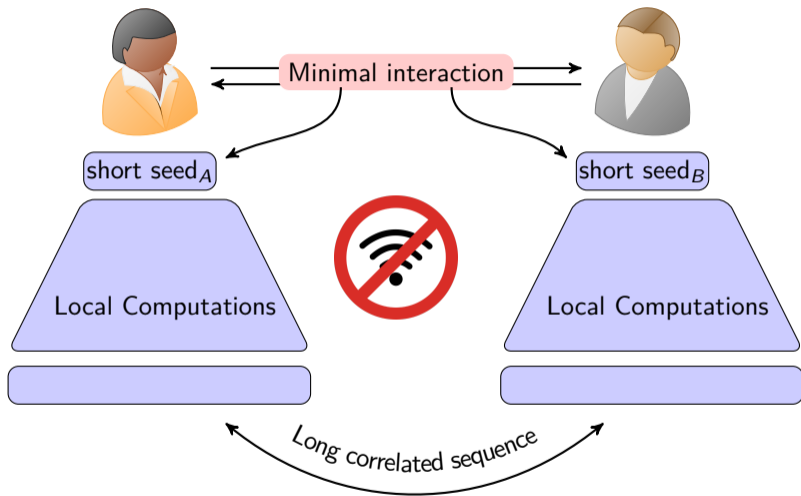


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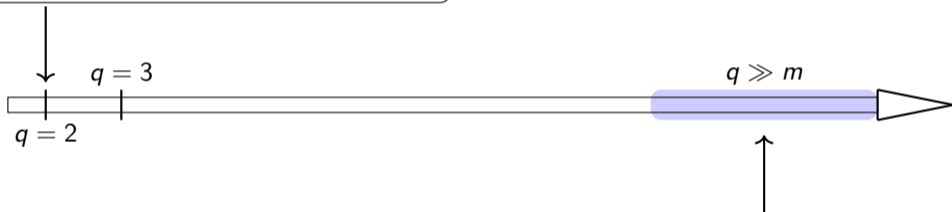
**Silent OT extensions.**

L. Roy - *SoftSpokenOT: Quieter OT extension from small-field silent VOLE in the minicrypt model* - CRYPTO 2022  
Raghuraman, Rindal, Tanguy - *Expand-convolute codes for PCGs from LPN* - CRYPTO 2023



# Landscape of Correlation Generators

- [BCGKS19, Roy22, RRT23]:  $O(\log m)$  communication.
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Can we do better  
than  $\Omega(N^2 m)$ ?

Practical efficiency?

- [BCCD23]:  $O(\log m \cdot N^2)$
- $\approx 10^5$  triples per second (estimated).
- $q > 3$ .

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# This Work: Best of Both Worlds

- **Silent preprocessing:**  
 $O(\log m)$  communication
- $\approx 12.3 \cdot 10^6$  triples per second.
- **Small** seeds.

2-party

- **Almost silent preprocessing:**  
 $O(\log m \cdot N^2) + m \cdot N$  communication.
- **Very low** computational overhead.
- **Parallelization** up to  $2 \cdot (N - 1)$  processors.
- **Faster** than Overdrive for  $N \gtrsim 400$ .
- **Optimizations** of independent interest.

N-party

- Novel protocol for computing **Boolean** circuits based on  $\mathbb{F}_4$  precomputations, both for **two-party** and **N-party** settings.
- Low communication, low computational overhead.

$\mathbb{F}_4$ oleage

# Performance Comparison

	Communication	localhost	LAN	WAN
<b>Multi-party setting (<math>N = 10</math>)</b>				
SoftSpoken ( $k = 2$ )	134 GB	342s	1192s	12207s
SoftSpoken ( $k = 4$ )	67 GB	405s	596s	6104s
SoftSpoken ( $k = 8$ )	34 GB	1900s	<b>1900s</b> *298s	3052s
RRT	6.3 GB	2619s	<b>2619s</b> *50.3s	<b>2619s</b> *515s
$\mathbb{F}_4$ OLEAGE	0.7 GB	1463s	<b>1463s</b> *5.6s	<b>1463s</b> *57.9s
<b>Two-party setting (<math>N = 2</math>)</b>				
SoftSpoken ( $k = 2$ )	15 GB	38s	119s	1221s
SoftSpoken ( $k = 4$ )	7.5 GB	45s	60s	610s
SoftSpoken ( $k = 8$ )	3.7 GB	211s	<b>211s</b>	<b>211s</b>
RRT	258 KB	292s	<b>292s</b>	<b>292s</b>
$\mathbb{F}_4$ OLEAGE	33.5 MB	81s	<b>81s</b>	<b>81s</b>

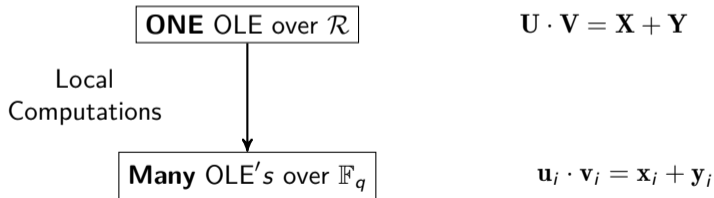
**red:** Bottleneck = local computations

# A Framework for Programmable PCGs for $\mathbb{F}_q$ -OLEs

**Goal.** Generate a lot of OLE's over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

**Wishful thinking.** Take a ring  $\mathcal{R} \simeq \mathbb{F}_q \times \cdots \times \mathbb{F}_q$

⚠ Not all rings  $\mathcal{R}$  are secure.



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**Example:**  $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{F}_q[X]/(F(X))$  with  $F$  split.

ONE OLE over  $\mathcal{R}$

Local  
Computations

Many OLE's over  $\mathbb{F}_q$

$\mathbf{e}$  and  $\mathbf{f}$  are **sparse**

$$\mathbf{U} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{e}_u + \mathbf{f}_u \approx \$$$

$$\mathbf{V} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{e}_v + \mathbf{f}_v \approx \$$$

$$\mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}$$

$$\mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{a}^2 \mathbf{e}_u \mathbf{e}_v + \mathbf{f}_u \mathbf{f}_v + \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{e}_u \mathbf{f}_v + \mathbf{e}_v \mathbf{f}_u)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{y}_i$$

Cross-products are *sparse-ish*  $\rightarrow$   
Sharing via sums of *Distributed  
Point Functions* (DPF) [BG16]

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## Other Choice of Ring: Group Algebras

Finite abelian group  $G$ .

$$\mathbb{F}_q[G] = \left\{ \sum_{g \in G} a_g g \mid a_g \in \mathbb{F}_q \right\} \simeq \mathbb{F}_q^{|G|} \quad \text{also written as} \quad \left\{ \sum_{g \in G} a_g X^g \mid a_g \in \mathbb{F}_q \right\}$$

- $G = \{1\} \Rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q[G] = \mathbb{F}_q$ .
- $G = \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q[G] = \mathbb{F}_q[X]/(X^n - 1)$
- $G = \mathbb{Z}/d_1\mathbb{Z} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}/d_t\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q[G] = \mathbb{F}_q[X_1, \dots, X_t]/(X_1^{d_1} - 1, \dots, X_t^{d_t} - 1)$
- $G = (\mathbb{Z}/(q-1)\mathbb{Z})^t = \mathbb{F}_q[X_1, \dots, X_t]/(X_i^{q-1} - 1) \simeq \mathbb{F}_q^{(q-1)^t} \implies$  Key to work over small fields.

Pseudorandomness of the OLE: **Quasi-Abelian Syndrome Decoding** assumption.

# A Programmable PCG for OLE over $\mathbb{F}_4$

Set  $G = (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^t$  and  $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{F}_4[G] = \mathbb{F}_4[X_1, \dots, X_t]/(X_i^3 - 1)$   
**Seed Generation:** Sample random **sparse**  $e_i, f_j$  from  $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{F}_4[G]$ .  
Compute  $\text{SHARES}(e_i f_j)$  via *Function Secret Sharing*.  
**Distributed Setup:** Doerner & shelat protocol.



$$\text{SEED}_A = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{e}_u, \mathbf{f}_u, \text{SHARES}(e_i f_j))$$



Locally compute  $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{a}e_u + \mathbf{f}_u$  and  $\text{SHARE}(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{V})$   
 $\Rightarrow$  OLE's over  $\mathbb{F}_4$  via evaluation over  $(\mathbb{F}_4^\times)^t$ .



$$\text{SEED}_B = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{e}_v, \mathbf{f}_v, \text{SHARES}(e_i f_j))$$



Locally compute  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{a}e_v + \mathbf{f}_v$  and  $\text{SHARE}(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{V})$   
 $\Rightarrow$  OLE's over  $\mathbb{F}_4$  via evaluation over  $(\mathbb{F}_4^\times)^t$ .

**This paper: Blazingly fast** implementation with **FFT** in  $\mathbb{F}_4[G]$ !



# Optimization: Almost-Silent N-party Computation of Boolean Circuits

Let  $(\llbracket \mathbf{a} \rrbracket, \llbracket \mathbf{b} \rrbracket, \llbracket \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \rrbracket)$  be an  $\mathbb{F}_4$ -Beaver triple.

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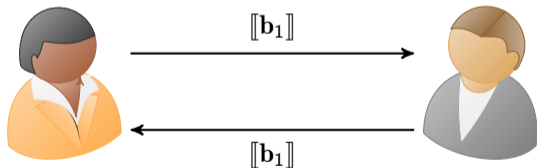
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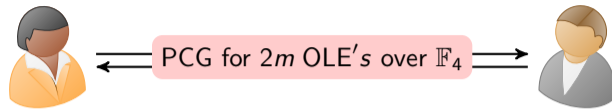


$(\llbracket \mathbf{a}_0 \rrbracket, \llbracket \mathbf{a}_1 \rrbracket, \llbracket \mathbf{c}_0 \rrbracket + \mathbf{b}_1 \llbracket \mathbf{a}_1 \rrbracket)$   
is a **valid**  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -Beaver triple!

Single bit of communication per party.

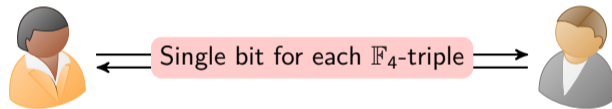
# Wrapping Up

Preprocessing



$O(\log(m))$  for each pair of parties.

Silent expansion to get  $m$  Beaver triples over  $\mathbb{F}_4$



Each party broadcasts a single bit per triple.

Local computation of  $m$   $\mathbb{F}_2$ -triples

Online Phase

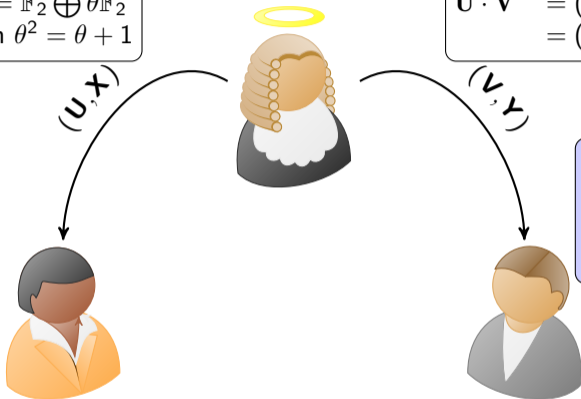
Fast online protocol using one  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -triple per AND gate

# Improvement for 2-Party Computation

$$\mathbb{F}_4 = \mathbb{F}_2 \oplus \theta \mathbb{F}_2$$

with  $\theta^2 = \theta + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{V} &= (\mathbf{U}_0 \mathbf{V}_0 + \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{V}_1) + \theta \cdot (\mathbf{U}_0 \mathbf{V}_1 + \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{V}_0 + \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{V}_1) \\ &= (\mathbf{X}_0 + \mathbf{Y}_0) + \theta \cdot (\mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{Y}_1) \in \mathbb{F}_4 \end{aligned}$$



$$\mathbf{Z}_A + \mathbf{Z}_B = (\mathbf{U}_0 + \mathbf{V}_1) \cdot (\mathbf{U}_1 + \mathbf{V}_0) \in \mathbb{F}_2$$

A **single**  $\mathbb{F}_4$ -OLE yields one  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -Beaver triple.  
2-party  $\mathbb{F}_2$  Beaver triple is **silent**!

Doesn't extend to more than 2-parties

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{U} &= \mathbf{U}_0 + \theta \cdot \mathbf{U}_1 \\ \mathbf{X} &= \mathbf{X}_0 + \theta \cdot \mathbf{X}_1 \end{aligned}$$

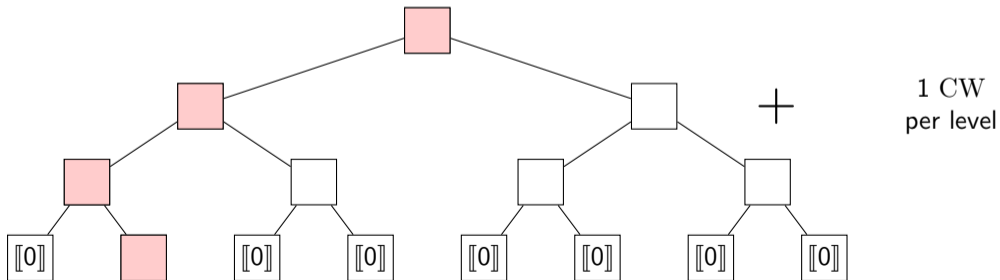
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V} &= \mathbf{V}_0 + \theta \cdot \mathbf{V}_1 \\ \mathbf{Y} &= \mathbf{Y}_0 + \theta \cdot \mathbf{Y}_1 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\mathbf{Z}_B \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{V}_0 \mathbf{V}_1 + \mathbf{Y}_0 \in \mathbb{F}_2$$

# PCG Seed Generation: 2-party DPF ([BGI15, BGI16, Ds17])

- GGM trees representing shares of a unit vector. Consistency is ensured by using (public) Correction Words.
- **Doerner and shelat protocol**: Distributed generation when the parties hold a **binary additive sharing** of the special path.
- Extension to  $t$ -sparse vectors:  $t$ -fold repetition and sum the point functions.



# Optimization of the PCG Distributed Seed Generation

We need to create DPF for product of sparse elements  $e_i \cdot e_j \in \mathbb{F}_4[X_1, \dots, X_t]/(X_1^3 - 1, \dots, X_t^3 - 1)$ .

A monomial in  $e_i \cdot e_j$  is of the form  $\mathbf{X}^{p_i} \cdot \mathbf{X}^{p_j} = \mathbf{X}^{p_i + p_j \bmod 3}$  where  $p_i, p_j \in (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^n$  held by different parties:  $\implies$  the parties natively hold **ternary shares** of the noisy positions!

Previous constructions would run an additional protocol to turn it into binary additive sharing.

# Sharing Vectors over $\mathbb{F}_3$ : Ternary DPF

- We adapt the DPF construction with using **ternary** trees.
- Adaptation of Doerner-shelat, making use of  $\binom{3}{1}$  – OT and 3 CW per level.

- Native ternary sharing of the error positions  $\implies$  **saves half** the total number of OT and rounds.
- Expansion of the seed becomes 20% faster because of flatter tree.
- Number of rounds reduced from  $\log_2\left(\frac{|G|}{t}\right)$  to  $\log_3\left(\frac{|G|}{t}\right)$ .

- Uses  $\binom{3}{1}$  – OT instead of  $\binom{2}{1}$  – OT.
- PCG seed size  $1.5\times$  larger.

# PCG Evaluation Optimization

FFT in  $\mathbb{F}_4[G]$  is **extremely fast**. The bottleneck in seed expansion is the evaluation of  $(c \cdot t)^2$  DPFs.

We can benefit from standard optimizations of DPF:

- **Regular noise**: Error vectors split into  $t$  unit vectors of length  $\frac{|G|}{t}$   
⇒ **reduces evaluation domain**.
- **Early termination** technique [BGI16] for **small** output domain ( $\mathbb{F}_4$  vs  $\lambda$ -bit field):  
⇒  $64\times$  speedup!



**FOLEAGE** in short:

- Very efficient for large Boolean circuits, and up to  $N \approx 400$  parties.
- Several layers of optimizations: algorithmic, protocol and implementation.
- Script for selecting QASD parameters.

**Questions:** Improving the ternary DPF? Truly efficient silent precomputation for Boolean circuits?



<https://github.com/sachaservan/FOLEAGE-PCG>



<https://ia.cr/2024/429>

**Thank You!**

# The Security Assumption: Quasi-Abelian Syndrome Decoding

**The QASD assumption:** Given a target weight  $t$ , and a compression factor  $c$ , it should hold that

$$((\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{c-1}), \sum_{i=1}^{c-1} \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{e}_i + \mathbf{e}_0) \approx ((\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{c-1}), \mathbf{u}^{\text{unif}})$$

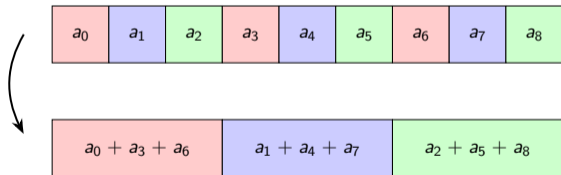
where  $\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{u} \leftarrow \mathbb{F}_q[G]$  and  $\mathbf{e}_j$  are  $c$  random  $t$ -sparse elements of  $\mathbb{F}_q[G]$ .

- Good minimum distance\*  $\Rightarrow$  resistance to all attacks from the linear test framework.
- Search-to-Decision reduction [BCCD23] and the search variant has been studied in algebraic coding theory for 50 years.

# Concrete Analysis: Folding Attacks

Code-based analogue corresponds to **Folding attacks**, with respect to a subgroup  $H$  of  $G$ .

$$\pi_H: \begin{cases} \mathbb{F}_q[G] & \longrightarrow \\ \sum_{g \in G} a_g g & \longmapsto \sum_{\bar{g} \in G/H} \left( \sum_{h \in H} a_{g+h} \right) \bar{g}. \end{cases}$$



- Fold along random subgroups until we get an easy instance (exponentially small probability).
- **This paper:** Precise **analysis** of these attacks and provides a script to determine secure parameters.