Asymptotically Optimal and Concretely Fast UC Commitments From Any Linear Error Correcting Codes

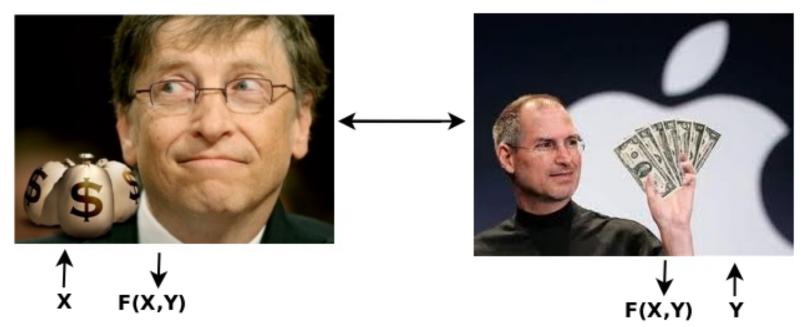
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Commitment Schemes



Why are commitments cool?

The Millionaires' Problem

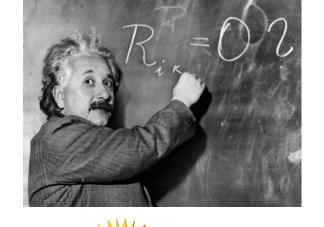


- In the UC framework commitments are complete [CLOS02]
- Basic building blocks in many different protocols.

What do we do in theory?

- Optimal communication
- Additively Homomorphic
- Optimal computation





No need for general secret sharing

How do we do it?



Basic Structure

Setup Phase: Create efficient watchlists!



- Independent of the length or number of commitments
- Online Phase (commit/open):



- No public key operations!
- Only an error correcting code and a PRG are needed!
- Round optimal!

What do we do in practice?

Online Phase:



2 Encodings: 1.5 μs

VS.

[Lindell11,BCPV13] -> 22 exponentiations: 8250 μs

Practical scheme runs 5500 times faster

Practical Trade Offs...

No additive homomorphism.



Setup phase cost:

796 OTs

8756 exponentiations using [PVW08]

398 [Lindell11,BCPV13] commitments

THANK YOU!

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