

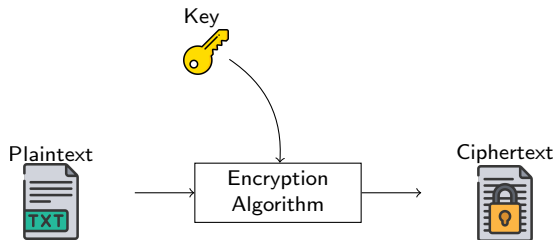
Masked Circuit Compiler in the Cardinal Random Probing Composability Framework

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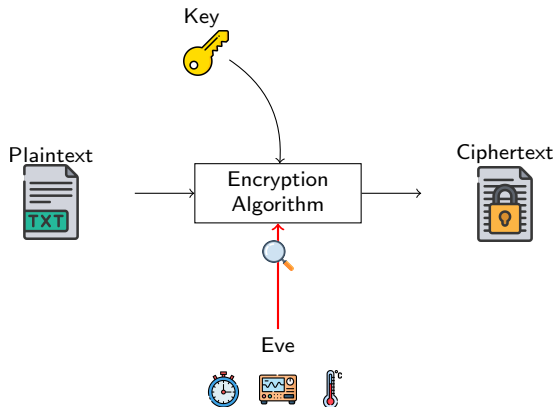
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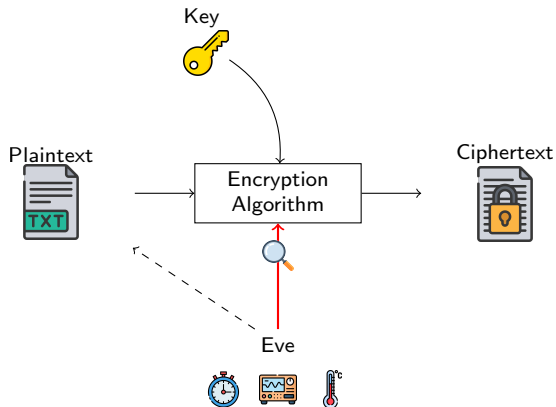
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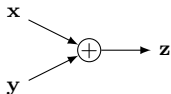


Masking countermeasure

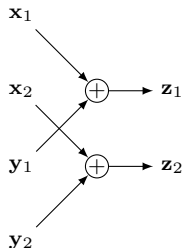
- ▶ Replace a sensitive value x of the Algorithm by a tuple $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.
- ▶ Any set of $(n - 1)$ shares is independent from x .
- ▶ Arithmetic masking :

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

- Operations on sensitive values $\implies$ Operations on their respective shares.

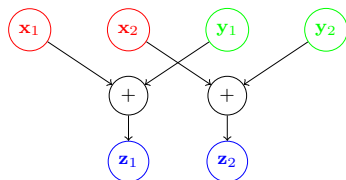


(a) Non masked version



(b) Masked version with 2 shares.

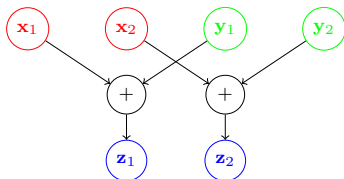
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- ▶ Directed acyclic graph.
- ▶ Vertex : Arithmetic gate or input/output share.
- ▶ Edge : Wire of the circuit.

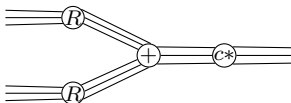
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- ▶ Every wires leak its value with a probability $p \in [0, 1]$.
- ▶ Secure if there is a negligible probability ($\leq \varepsilon$) to get information on the secrets.

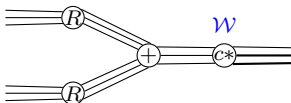
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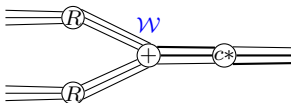
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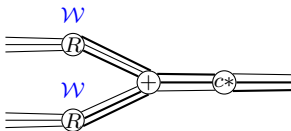
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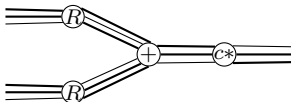
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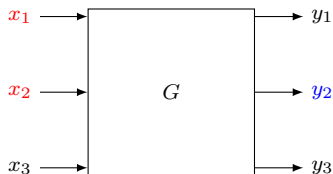


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General Random Probing Composability

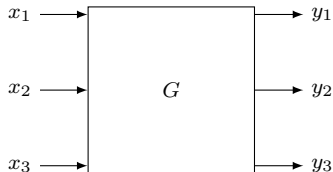
- ▶ **Probe Distribution Table :** $\varepsilon_J(I)$ = Upper bound on the probability that we requires the set I of input shares to simulate the internal leakages and the output shares in a set J .
- ▶ **Example :**



$I \backslash J$	$\emptyset$	$\{y_1\}$	$\{y_2\}$	$\{y_3\}$	$\{y_1, y_2\}$	$\{y_1, y_3\}$	$\{y_2, y_3\}$	$\{y_1, y_2, y_3\}$
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Cardinal Random Probing Composability

- ▶ $\varepsilon_{t_{out}}(t_{in})$ = Upper Bound on the probability that we requires t_{in} input shares to simulate the internal leakages and t_{out} output shares.



$t_{in} \backslash t_{out}$	0	1	2	3
0				
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2				
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Tradeoffs between the security notions

- ▶ Tighter security Bounds : General RPC $>$ Cardinal RPC $>$ Threshold RPC.
- ▶ Verification Complexity : General RPC $<$ Cardinal RPC $<$ Threshold RPC.

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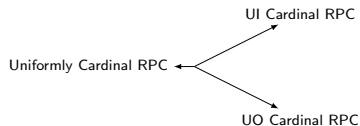
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Our contribution

- ▶ Revisit the notion of uniformly cardinal RPC.
- ▶ Method to transform any gadget satisfying cardinal/general RPC into a uniformly cardinal RPC.
- ▶ Design a non-linear multiplication gadget and prove its (uniformly) cardinal RPC security.
- ▶ Design a compiler, apply it to the AES circuit, and compare it to state-of-the-art methods in terms of the achievable security-performance trade-off RPC security

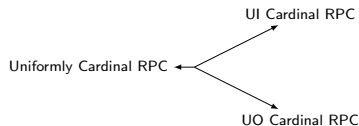
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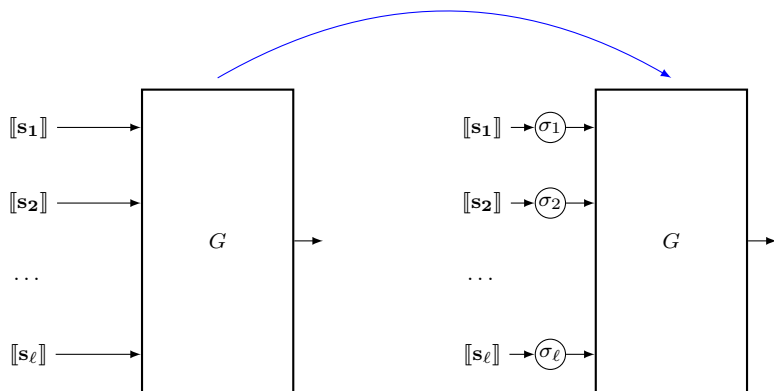
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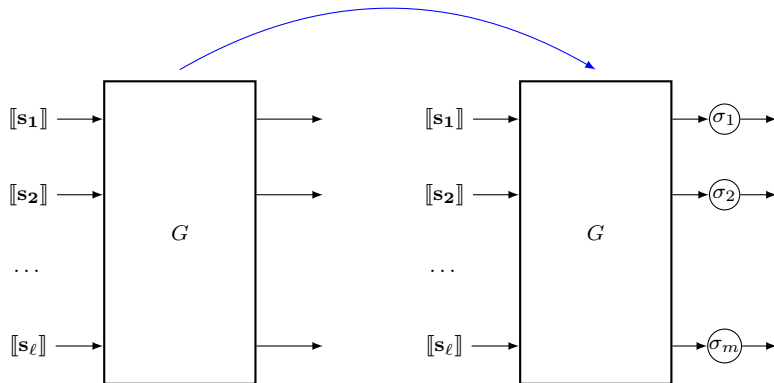
Put a gadget UI cardinal RPC

Transformation into UI cardinal RPC gadget

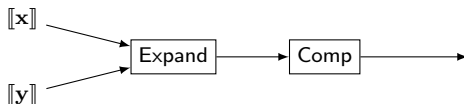


Put a gadget UO cardinal RPC

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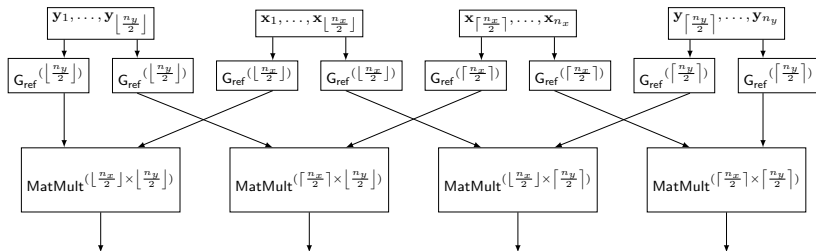


Multiplication gadget

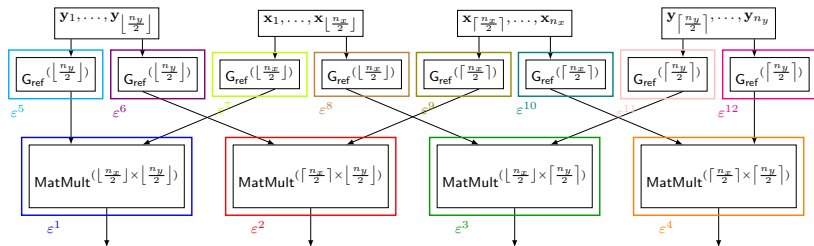


- ▶ Expand : From two n -sharing, compute the cross product $x_i \cdot y_j$ to obtain a n^2 sharing.
- ▶ Comp : Transform a n^2 -sharing into a n -sharing.

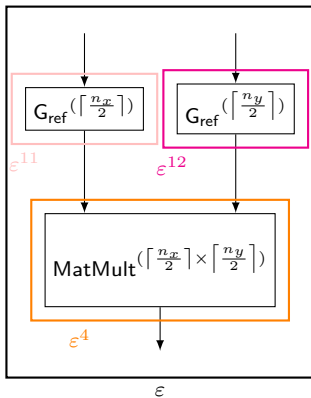
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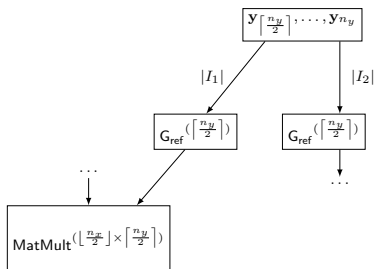


Expand : MatMultSym- Branch



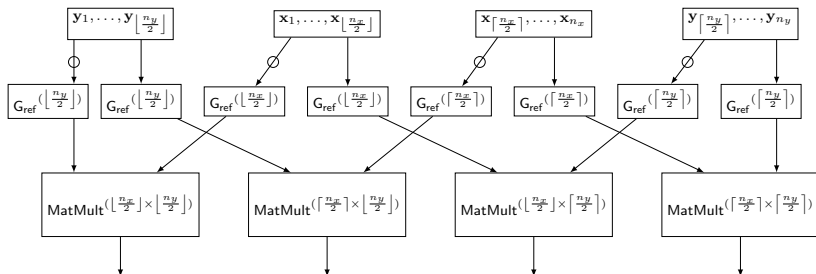
$$\varepsilon_j(i_1, i_2) = \sum_{\ell_1=0}^n \sum_{\ell_2=0}^n \varepsilon^{11}_{\ell_1}(i_1) \cdot \varepsilon^{12}_{\ell_2}(i_2) \cdot \varepsilon^4_j(\ell_1, \ell_2)$$

Expand : MatMultSym- Drawbacks

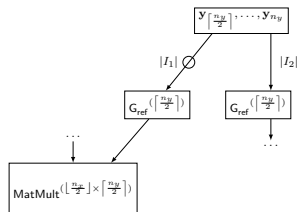


- ▶ $|I_1|$ required shares for the simulation of the first branch.
- ▶ $|I_2|$ required shares for the simulation of the second branch.
- ▶ **No informations** on $|I_1 \cup I_2|$.
- ▶ Must consider the worst case: $|I_1 \cup I_2| = \min(n, |I_1| + |I_2|)$.
- ▶ **Looser Bounds**

Expand : UnifMatMult



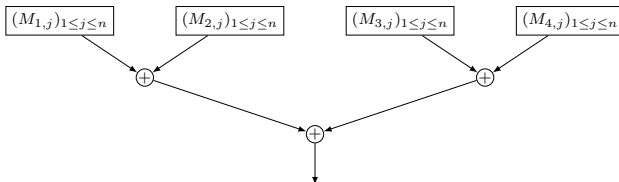
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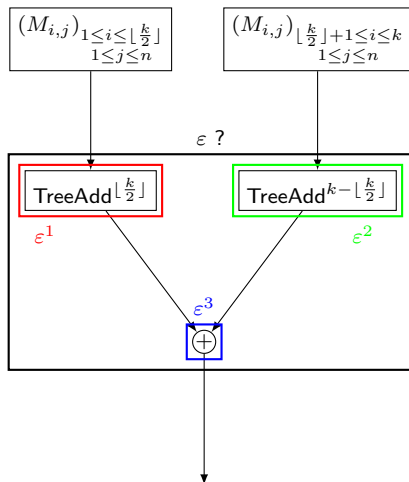
- **Informations** on $|I_1 \cup I_2|$.
- $\mathbb{P}(|I_1 \cup I_2| = \ell, |I_1| = \ell_1, |I_2| = \ell_2) = \frac{\binom{\ell_1}{\ell_1 + \ell_2 - \ell} \cdot \binom{n - \ell_1}{\ell - \ell_1}}{\binom{n}{\ell_2}}$
- **Tighter Bounds**

Comp : TreeAdd

- ▶ Transform a n^2 sharing into a n -sharing
- ▶ Tree of n -share gadget addition.
- ▶ Example with $n = 4$, and a $(M_{i,j})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq n \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$ the n^2 -sharing :

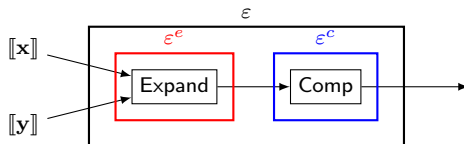


Comp : TreeAdd



$$\epsilon_j(i) = \sum_{\epsilon^1_{\ell_1} i_1 + i_2 = i} \sum_{\ell_1=0}^n \sum_{\ell_2=0}^n \epsilon^2_{\ell_2}(i_2) \cdot \epsilon^3_j(\ell_1, \ell_2)$$

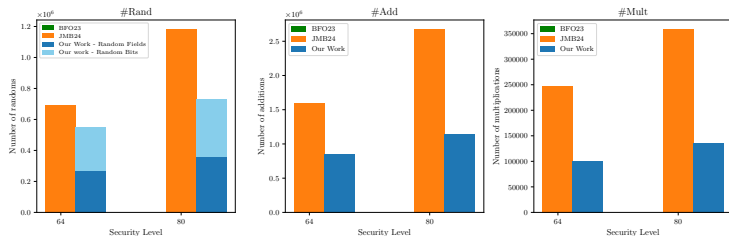
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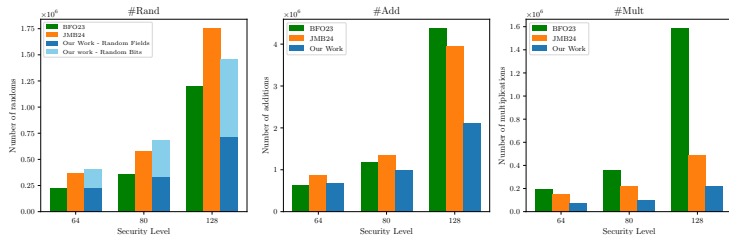
$$\varepsilon_j(i_{\mathbf{x}}, i_{\mathbf{y}}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{n^2} \varepsilon^e_{\ell}(i_{\mathbf{x}}, i_{\mathbf{y}}) \cdot \varepsilon^c_j(\ell)$$

- ▶ Linear Gadgets : $\text{Add}^\gamma, \text{cMult}^\gamma, \text{cAdd}^\gamma \rightarrow$ Known cardinal RPC envelopes.
- ▶ Squaring Gadget : In case $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}_{2^k}$, $\text{Sq}^\gamma \rightarrow$ Known cardinal RPC security envelopes.
- ▶ Non Linear Gadget : Multiplication gadget used with UnifMatMult $\rightarrow$ Now known cardinal RPC security envelopes.

AES Results



(a) $p = 2^{-16}$



(b) $p = 2^{-20}$

Thank You for your attention !