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MPyC – Python Package for Secure Multiparty Computation

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Where innovation starts

Usability

The word "Usability" is displayed in a playful, hand-drawn font. Each letter is a different color and is being held up by a hand from below. The colors are: U (red), s (yellow), a (blue), b (green), i (red), l (yellow), i (blue), t (red), y (teal). The hands are of various skin tones, suggesting a diverse group of people. The background is plain white.

“Love Game” for Alice and Bob

Bert den Boer, Eurocrypt '89

Alice's rule:

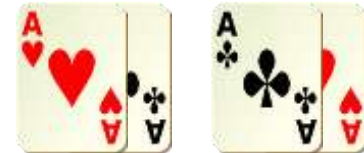


for “yes” for “no”

separator:



Bob's rule:



for “yes” for “no”

Suppose Alice thinks “yes”



Suppose Bob thinks “yes”



Alice and Bob make a random cut and open the deck ...

Matching without embarrassments

Match!



No match



No match

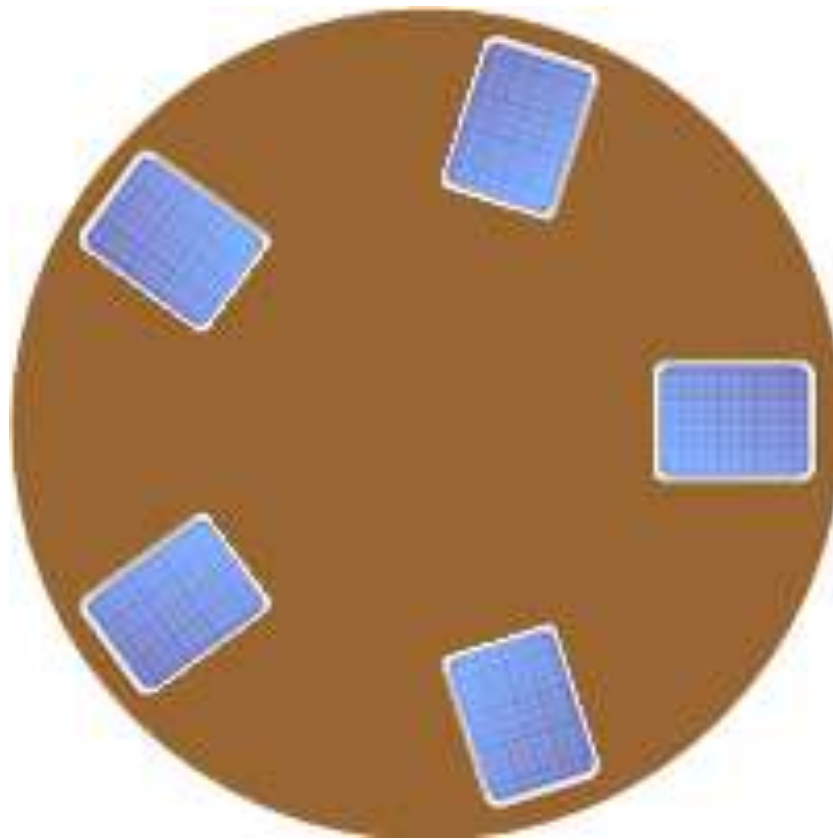


No match



same
up to
rotation

Random cut of five-card deck



Tom Verhoeff's crypto gadget

The screenshot shows a web-based interface for a cryptographic gadget. On the left side, there are controls for two users: 'alice' and 'bob', each with a question mark icon and 'yes'/'no' buttons. Below these is a vertical slider labeled 'match' and a 'peek' checkbox. The main area contains the text 'slide down the match slider' and a diagram of a yellow fan-shaped piece with two blue semi-circles. Below this, two identical pieces are shown joined together, forming a larger yellow shape with a blue path through the center.

alice ? yes no

bob ? yes no

match

peek

slide down the match slider

Wolfram Demonstrations Project

demonstrations.wolfram.com

demonstrations.wolfram.com/ZeroKnowledgeMatchmaker

MPyC – MPC in Python

Python – widely used programming language

- platform-independent
- high-level, simple and readable
- free, open-source, tons of applications
- popular for data mining & machine learning

MPyC – open-source Python package for MPC

- **secure types** to operate on secret-shared values
- passive adversary, honest majority
- **asynchronous evaluation** of underlying protocols
 - special coroutines: no explicit callbacks
- transparent communication between parties

VIFF → TUEVIFF → MPyC

- VIFF – Virtual Ideal Functionality Framework viff.dk
 - PhD project **Martin Geisler**, Aarhus University
 - VIFF 1.0 released Dec. 2009 (0.1 released Oct. 2007)
 - contains **many fundamental ideas**
 - **Marcel Keller** also made ‘boost’ version
- Tomas Toft introduced VIFF at TUE as a Postdoc
- TUEVIFF – local “fork” at TU Eindhoven
 - developed with my postdocs and PhD students
 - Frank Blom, Niek Bouman, **Sebastiaan de Hoogh**,
Mikkel Krøigaard, **Meilof Veeningen**, Niels de Vreede
 - also used for assignments and MSc thesis projects

MPC implementation projects @TUE

- Linear Programming, incl. **fixed-point numbers**
Sebastiaan de Hoogh
- ID3 decision trees *Ping Chen, Sebastiaan de Hoogh*
- Shuffle / QuickSort / ORAM *Niels de Vreede*
- DNA sequence alignment
Sakina Asadova, Meilof Veeningen
- Verifiable MPC – Trinocchio, Geppetri, incl. **intro of inline-callbacks**
Meilof Veeningen
- Linear algebra / ridge analysis
Frank Blom, Niek Bouman, Niels de Vreede
- Convolutional Neural Networks *Harm Campmans*

MPyC main features

- *m*-party computation, up to *t* passive corruptions
 - $m \geq 1$ and $0 \leq t \leq (m-1)/2$
 - $m = 1, t = 0$: *normal computation*
 - $m > 1, t = 0$: *parallel computation*
- **Secure types: secint, secfxp, secfld**
 - overloaded operators +, -, *, /, ==, <
 - input/output methods
 - hides (pseudorandom) secret-sharing
- **Asynchronous computation via MPyC coroutines**
 - **no explicit callbacks at all – not go to “callback hell”**
 - natural control flow

MPyC coroutines

- Python coroutine uses **async/await** syntax, like in many other programming languages
- MPyC coroutine: special kind of Python coroutine

@mpc.coroutine

async def mul(a, b) -> **secint**:

 a, b = **await** gather_shares(a, b)

 c = reshare(a * b)

 return c

MPyC decorator

MPyC return type

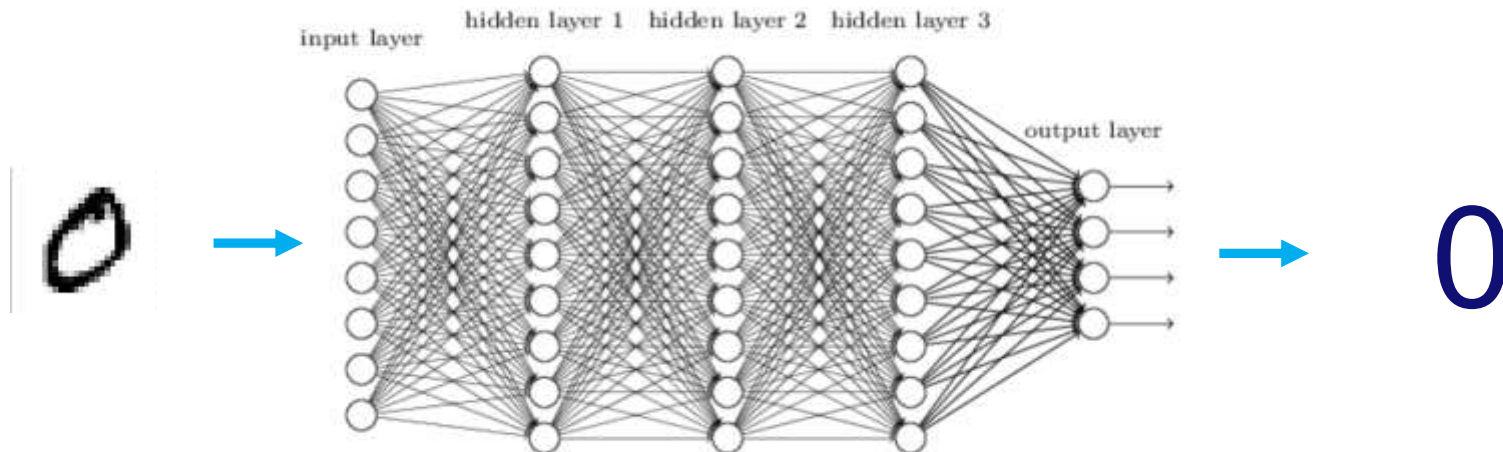
suspends execution

asynchronous call

- Call to **async mul()** returns immediately with **secint** object containing **empty placeholder**.
- Evaluation of expression $(s*t) + (u*v) * (w+x) * y * z$:
 - first creates tree with empty placeholders
 - then starts filling in these placeholders

Demos at github.com/lschoe/mpyc

- **Secure sorting**
 - from sorting networks
- **Secret Santa**
 - random permutation without fixed-points
- **Convolutional neural network for MNIST dataset**
 - recognizing hand-written digits 0,1,2,...,9



Conclusion

- **MPyC: standard Python**
- **Small footprint: easier verification of framework**
- **Balance usability and efficiency for**
 - rapid prototyping, executable specification
 - educational purposes, e.g.,
 - teaching secure/oblivious programming
 - explaining how MPC works – look inside MPyC
- **Some next steps:**
 - secure numpy arrays
 - transparent secret indexing
- **See github.com/lschoe/mpyc**

H2020 EU-projects



soda-project.eu



privilege-project.eu

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