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Cryptographic Primitives

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What are cryptographic primitives?

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Importance to Quantum Information

Is it secure in the quantum setting?

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Can we do better in the quantum setting?

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This Talk: Overview

- Basics of Secure Multi Party Computation
- Oblivious Transfer (OT)
- Bit Commitment (BC)
- Coin Flip (CF)

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Secure Multi Party Computation (MPC)

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- How to use the primitive?



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Anything the Adv can do in the protocol, he could also do with g.

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Online / Universal Composability (UC) [Canetti 01]



Offline / Sequential Composability [Beaver 92, Canetti 96]

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Quantum Lifting Theorem: [Unruh10]

Classical UC implies Quantum UC.

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Attention: Also the simulator must be semi-honest!

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Semi-Honest Model:

OT required.



- Real vs. Ideal
- UC (Online) / Sequential (Offline)
- Classical UC \Rightarrow Quantum UC

Further reading:

D. Unruh: "Universally Composable Quantum Multi-Party Computation", arXiv:0910.2912

S. Fehr, C. Schaffner: "Composing Quantum Protocols in a Classical Environment", arXiv:0804.1059

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Oblivious Transfer - Model



Note: OT does not allow input delay!

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Oblivious Transfer Impossibility (Classically)

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Boils down to:

If Bob doesn't leak his input c, but learns the output x_c , then Alice must send both x_0 and x_1 .



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Wiesner: Invented OT to be implemented by a quantum protocol!





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Impossibility of Quantum OT - Purified Protocol



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Impossibility of Quantum OT [Lo97]

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Stronger: Bob can also get x_0 , apply $U^{BB'}$, and get x_1 .

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What if we are given a small number of OTs? Can we make n + 1 from n? OTs?

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Impossibility of Extending OT [Winkler W. 10]

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Note: Bound is weaker than in the classical setting.

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We need Additional Assumptions

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Bounded/Noisy Quantum Storage Model:

Adversary does not have an unlimited, perfect quantum storage.

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OT in the Bounded Quantum Storage Model [...,DFRSS07]



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OT in the Bounded Quantum Storage Model [...,DFRSS07]



Proof: Uncertainty relation + privacy amplification.

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[Ishai Prabhakaran Sahai 08]: Use an MPC-in-the-head.



- OT: Simple + Useful.
- Creating / Extending OT is impossible.
- OT is possible in BQS model.

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First formally defined in [Bennett Brassard Crépeau 88]

aka: Commitment, Commitment Scheme, Commit-and-Open, Commit-and-Reveal, . . . CF

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Basic Idea:

- Use a protocol very similar to the BQSM-protocol from before.
- Bob commits to all his measurement basis and outcome.
- Cut-And-Choose: Alice asks Bob to open a small subset and checks.



- Quantum BC is impossible.
- $OT \rightarrow BC$.
- Quantum: $BC \rightarrow OT$.

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Introduced by [Blum 81]



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Alice can refuse to open!

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But we can also abort here!



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Unfair, because Alice can **SELECTIVELY** abort. E.g., for y = 0. But should we care! We then know that she is cheating!

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Summary Coin Flip

- Three types: fair CF, (unfair) SCF, WCF.
- BC \rightarrow SCF.
- Quantum WCF possible, others not.
- Optimal quantum SCF achieved by classical protocol using WCF.

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Last Slide

Some interesting open problems:

- Efficiency bounds for WCF.
- [Cleve 86] in quantum setting.
- Improve OT impossibility bounds.
- Q/C bounds for fair (non-aborting) coin flip.
- Improve OT protocols: many bit-OT instead of one string-OT.

Thanks.