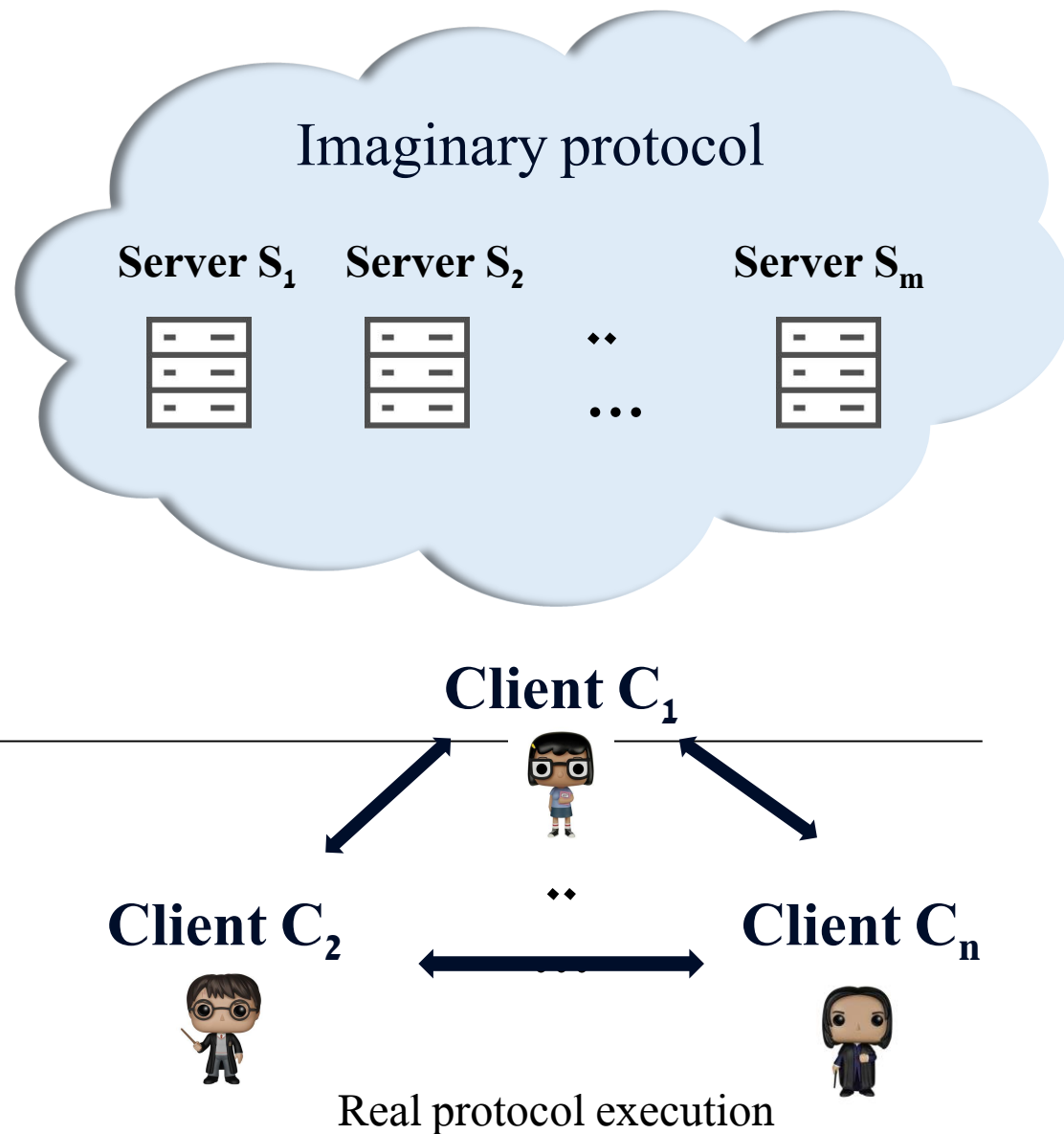




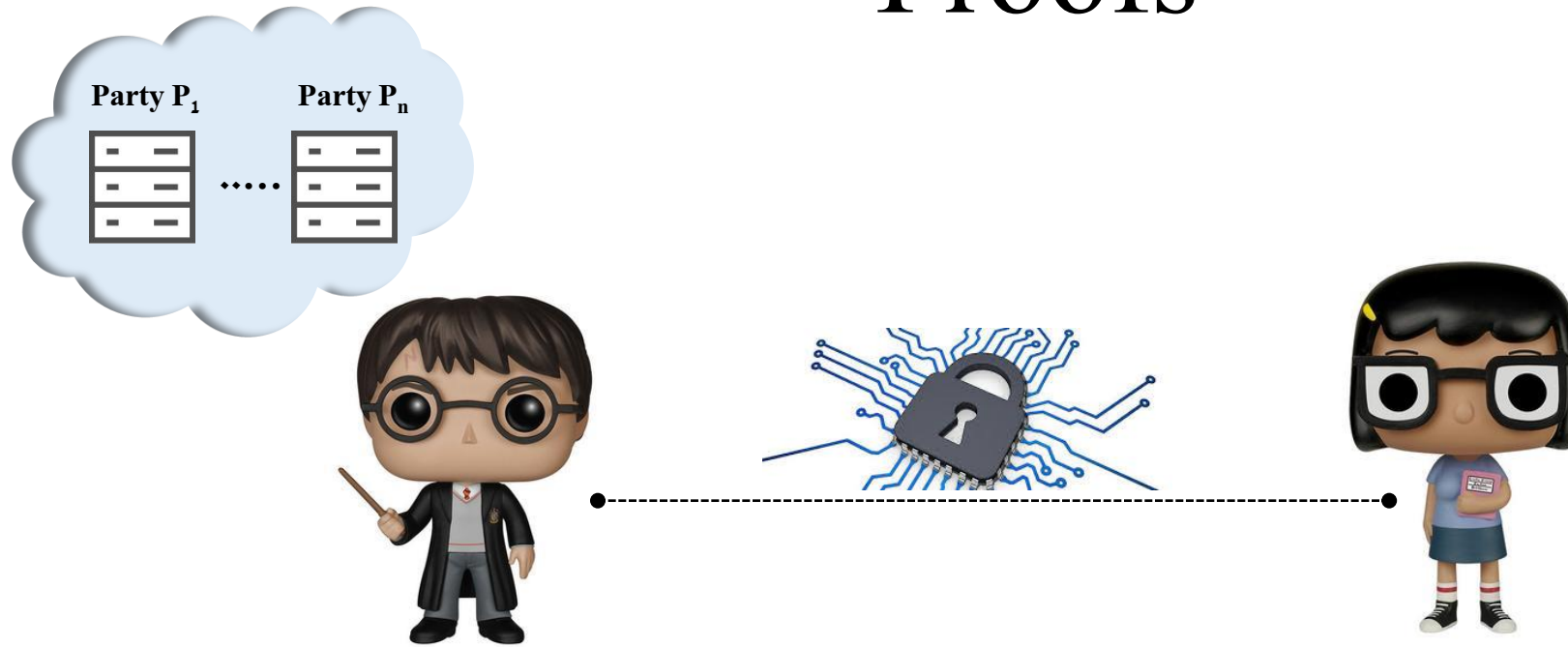
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# Practical Instances of MPC-in-the-Head

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# Practical Instances of Zero-Knowledge Proofs



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No setup

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Short Proofs

Fast Verification

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**ZKBoo: Faster Zero-Knowledge for Boolean Circuits [GMO15]**

**Post-Quantum Zero-Knowledge and Signatures from Symmetric-Key Primitives (ZKB++) [CDGORRSZ17]**

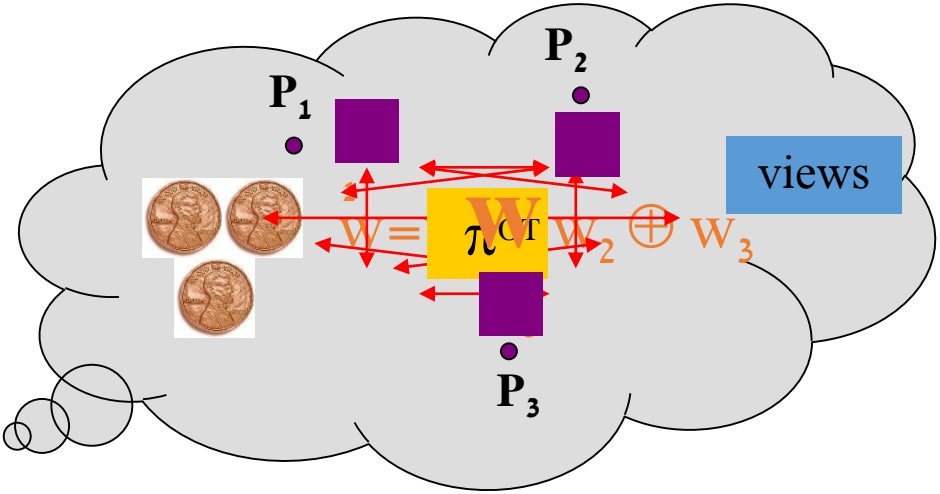
# Zero-Knowledge Proofs - A Reminder

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- Goal: ZK proof for an NP-relation  $R(x, w)$
- Towards using MPC:
  - Define n-party functionality
$$g(x; w_1, \dots, w_n) = R(x, w_1 \oplus \dots \oplus w_n)$$
- Use OT-based MPC
  - Security in semi-honest model
  - Simple consistency check for dishonest majority when  $n > 2$

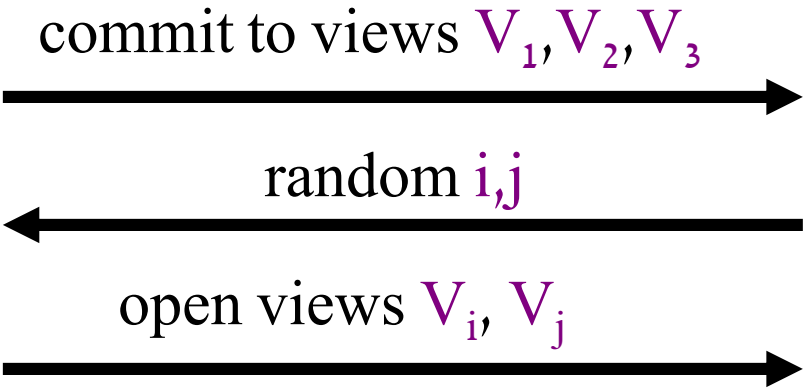
# Zero-Knowledge from 3-Party GMW [IKOS07,GMO15]

**Prover**



Use 3-party GMW protocol  $\pi^{OT}$  for  
 $g(x; w_1, w_2, w_3) = R(x, w_1 \oplus w_2 \oplus w_3)$

**Verifier**



accept iff output=1  
 &  
 $V_i, V_j$  are consistent  
 Soundness error  $\leq 2/3$

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Everything Linear

# **Ligero: Lightweight Sublinear Arguments Without a Trusted Setup [AHIV17]**

# Main Result

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## Sublinear ZK arguments without trusted setup

- Simple, concretely efficient
- Symmetric-crypto only (eg, SHA256)
- Post-Quantum Secure

First “**sublinear**” arguments for **NP** that avoid both **complex PCP** machinery and **public-key** crypto



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Concretely:

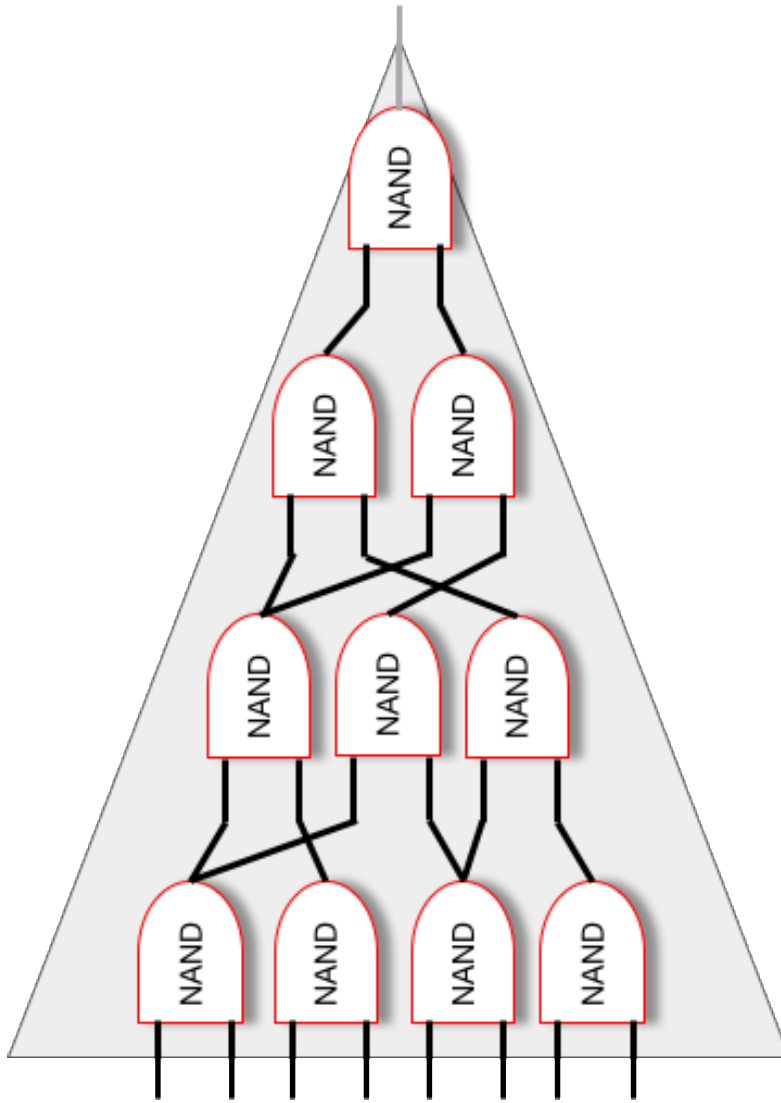
- **40-bit security:** comm. is  $0.5\sqrt{|C|}$  kb in the Boolean case
- **80-bit security:** **Non-interactive** via Fiat-Shamir
- Can handle **Boolean** or **arithmetic circuits**
- Prover computation: Merkle Tree ( $O(\sqrt{|C|})$  leaves) +  
 $O(\sqrt{|C|})$  FFT's of  $O(\sqrt{|C|})$  evaluations

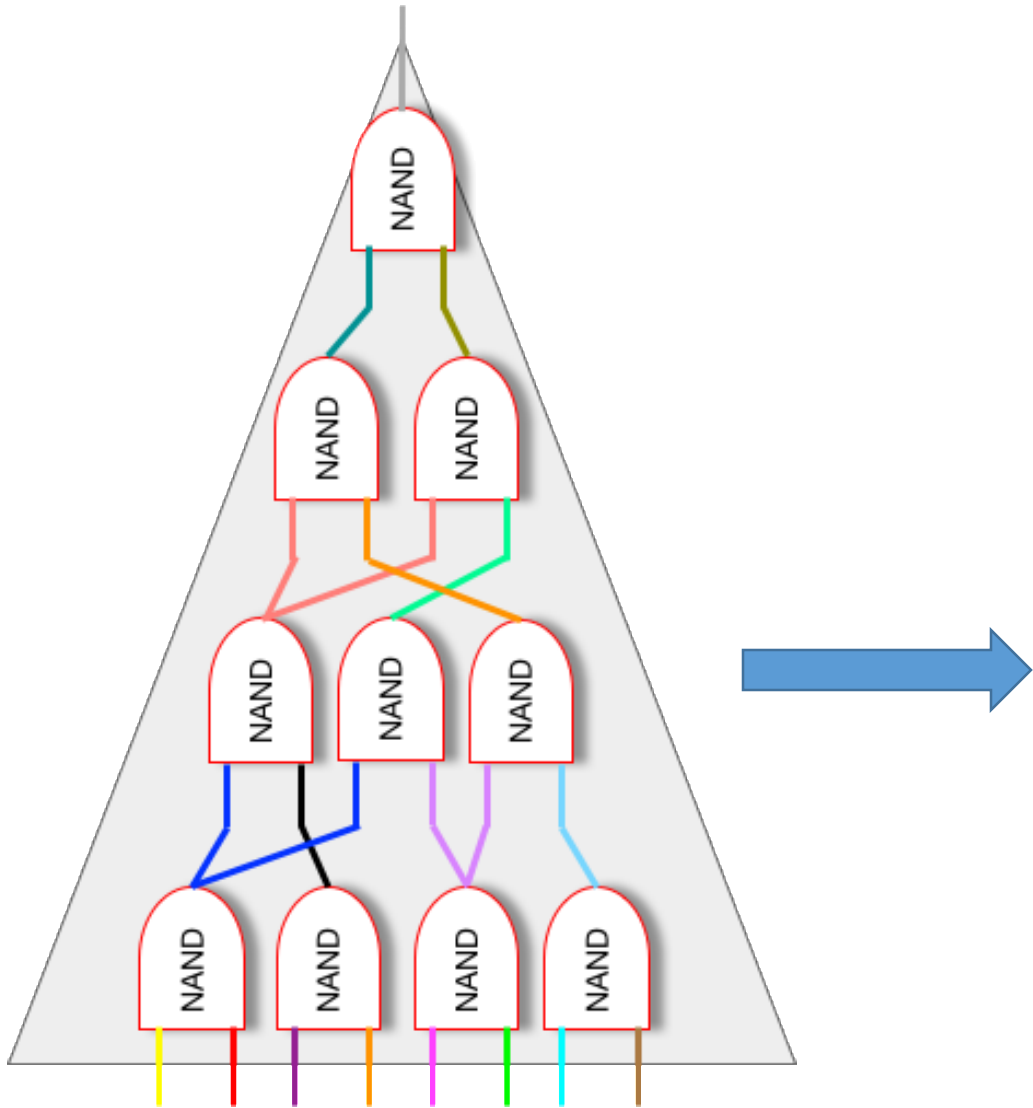
Eg, SHA256 certification with 40-bit security:

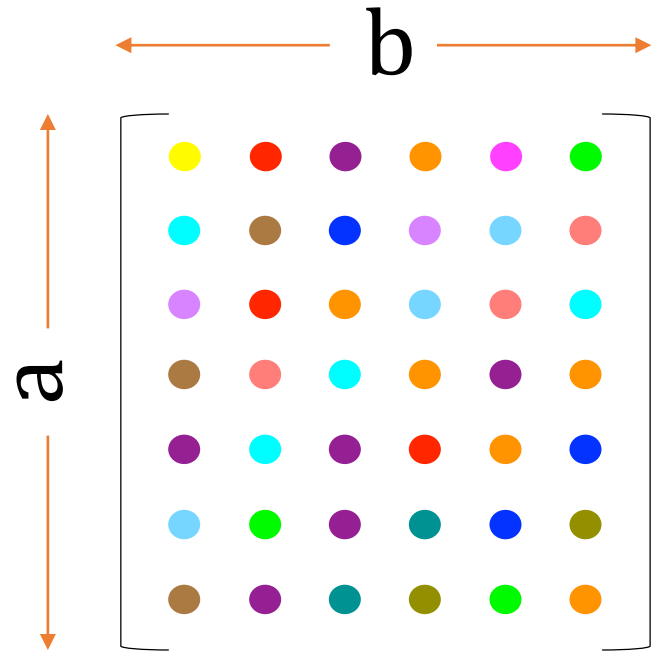
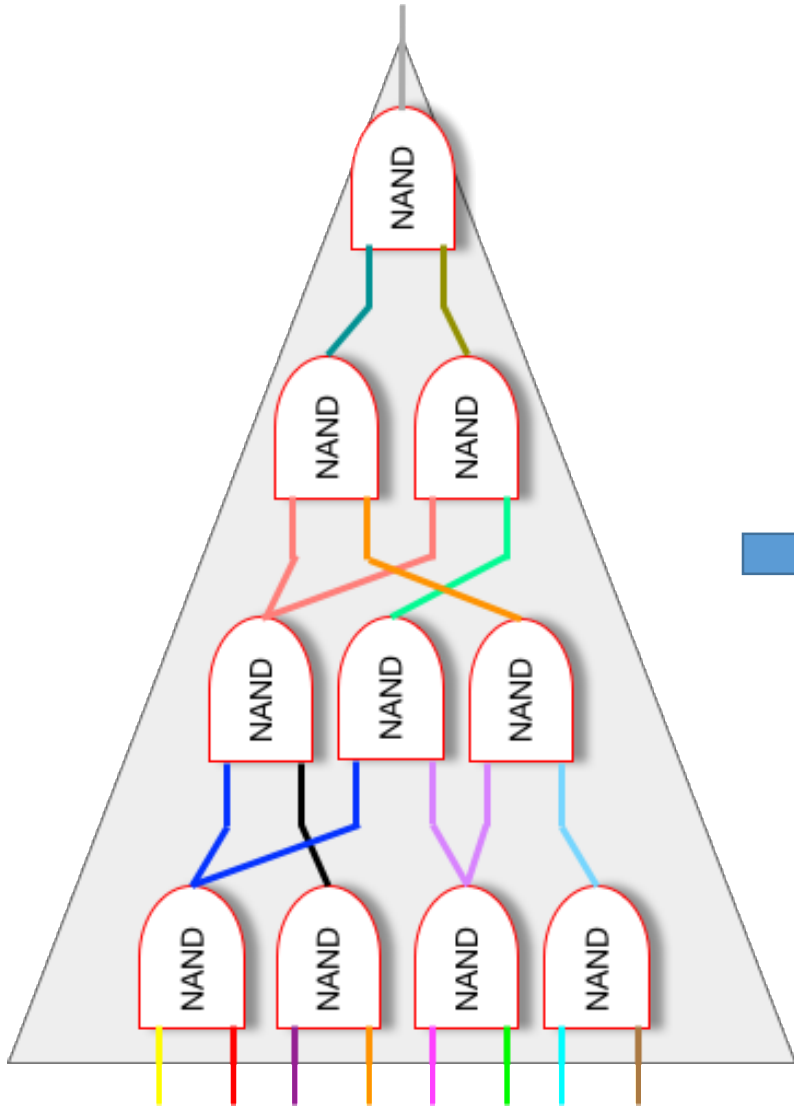
i.e. For statement  $y$ , prover proves knowledge of  $x$  such that  $\text{SHA256}(x) = y$

	Linear PCP [Pinocchio]	ZKBoo/++ [CDGORRSZ17]	<b>Ligero</b>
Communication	~ bytes	200 KB	<b>34 KB</b>
Prover time	mins	~33ms	<b>140ms</b>
Verif. time	<10ms	~38ms	<b>60ms</b>
Asymptotic Communication	~ bytes	$O( C )$	$O(\sqrt{ C })$
Trusted Setup	YES	NO	<b>NO</b>
Amortization	NA	NO	<b>YES</b>

# Proof Schematic

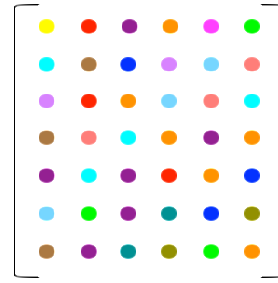
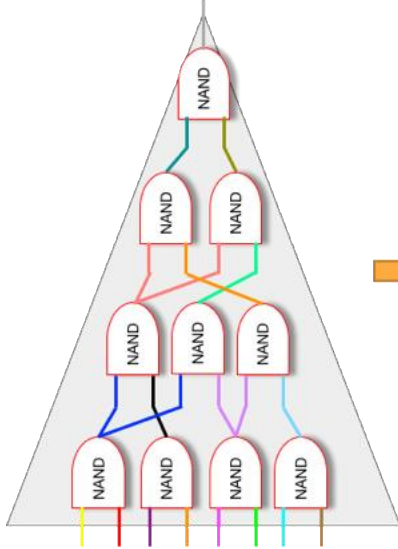




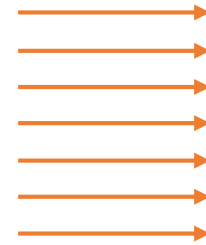


$$a \cdot b \geq X \cdot \#gates$$

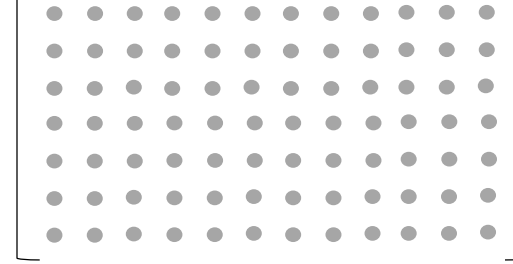
Boolean:  $X = 2$ , AND/XOR  
 Arithmetic:  $X = 3$ , AND



ENCODE



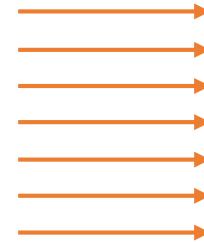
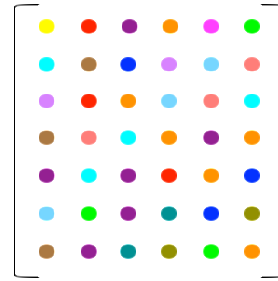
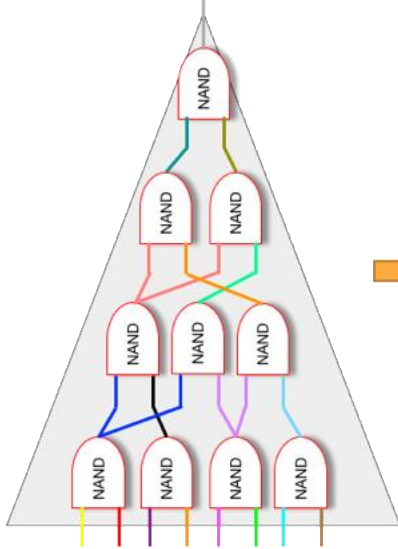
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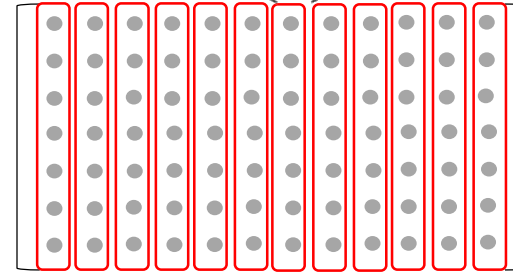
**Prover**



**Verifier**



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Root(■)



$f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots$

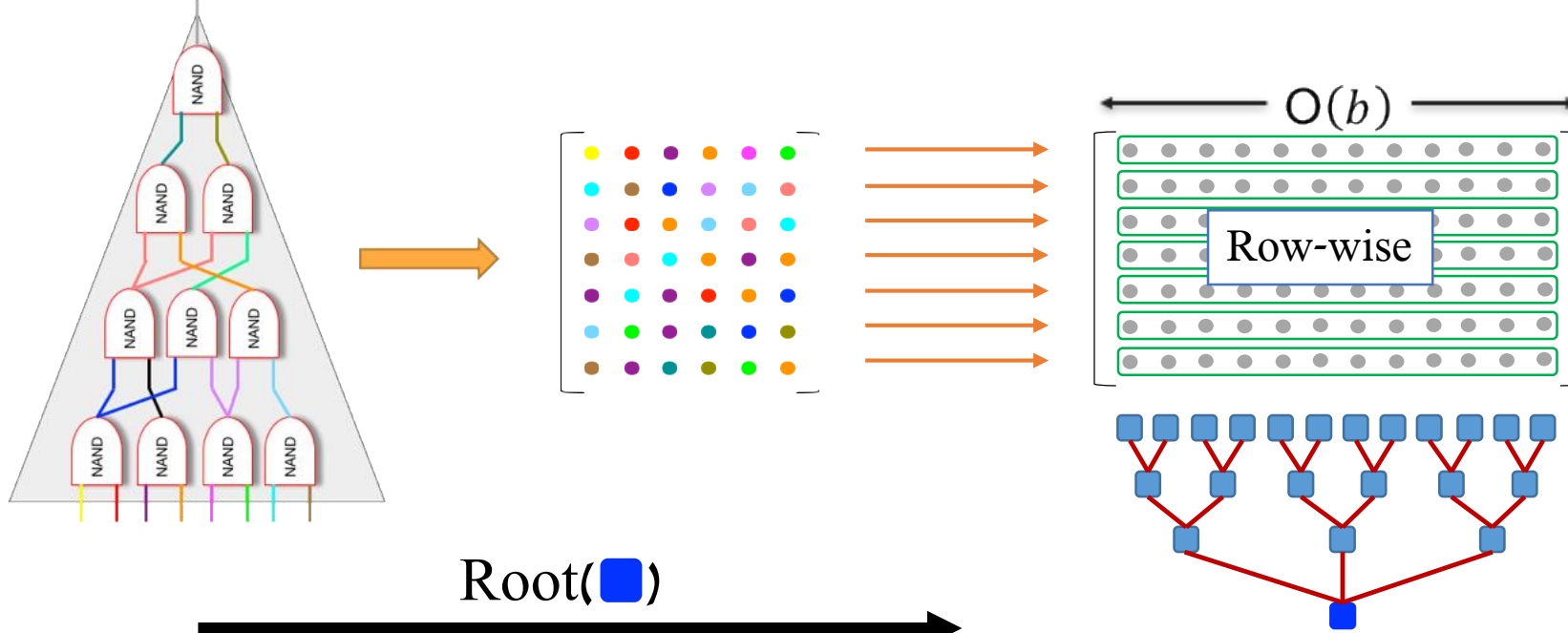


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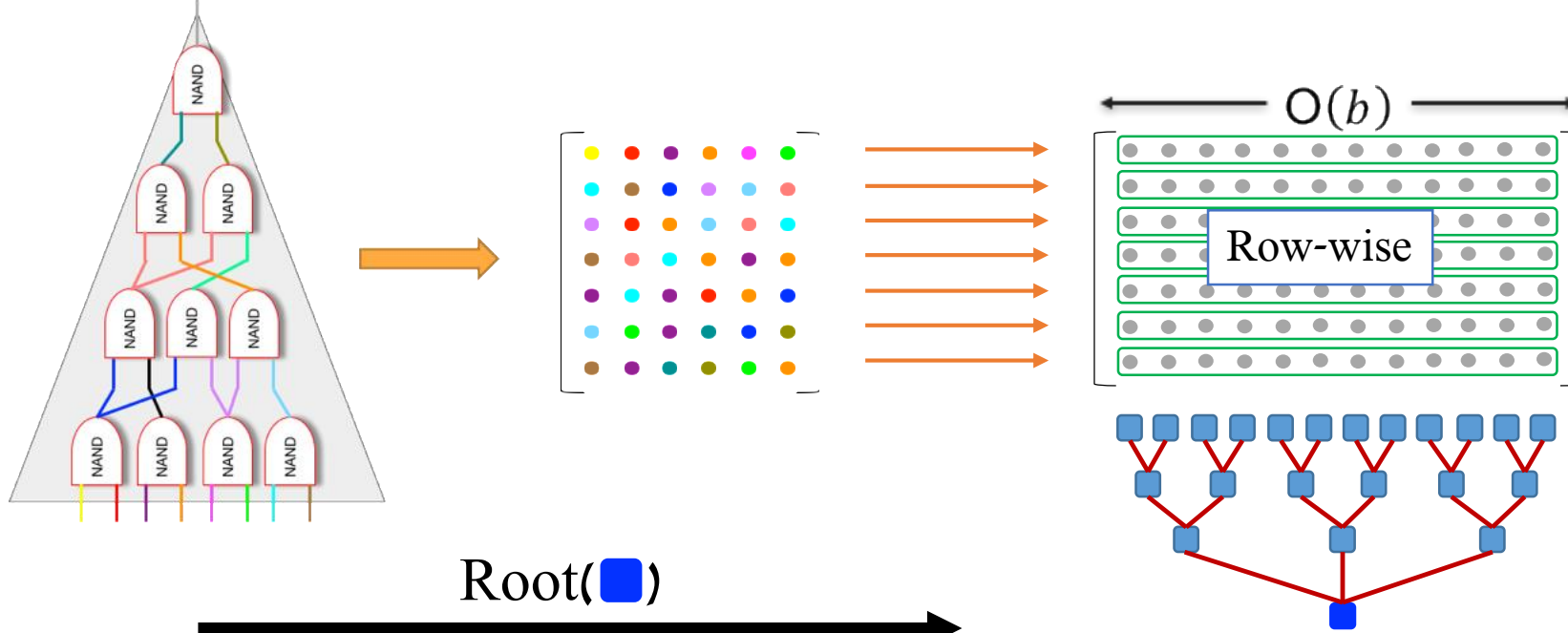
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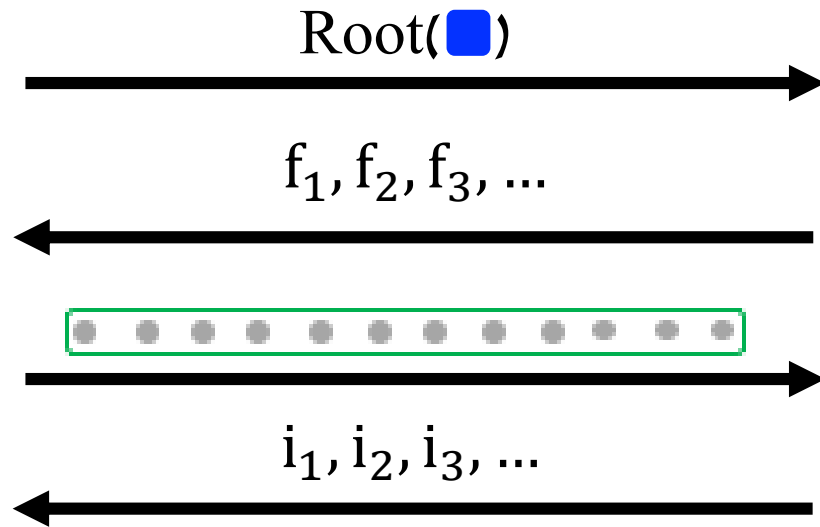


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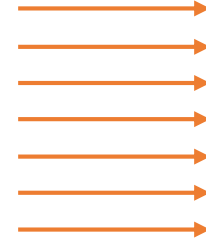
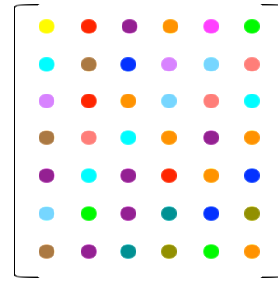
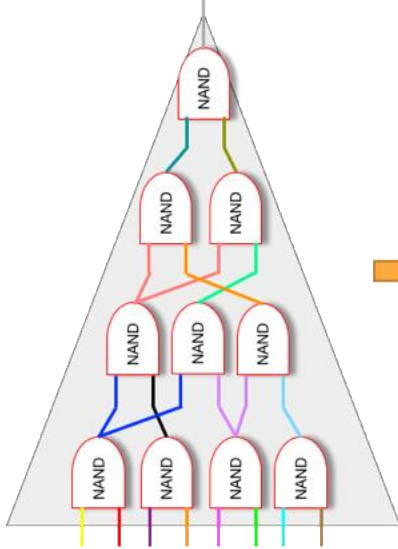
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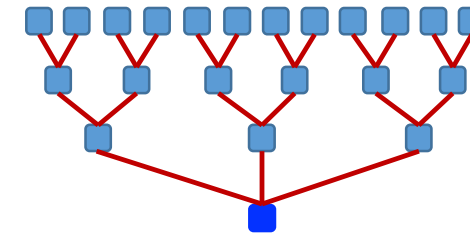
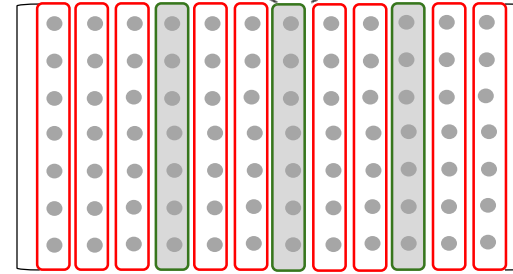
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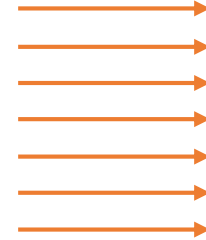
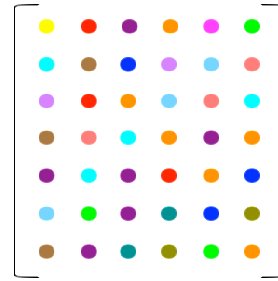
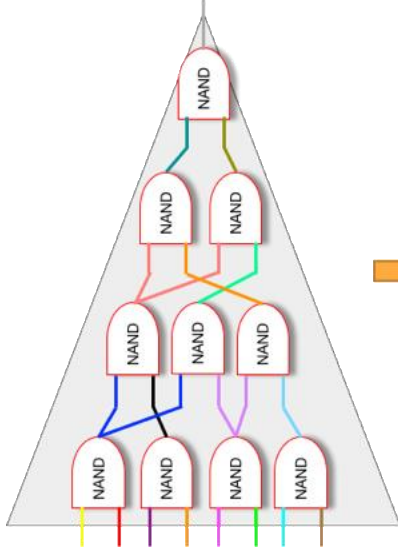
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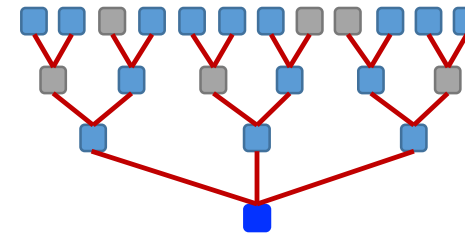
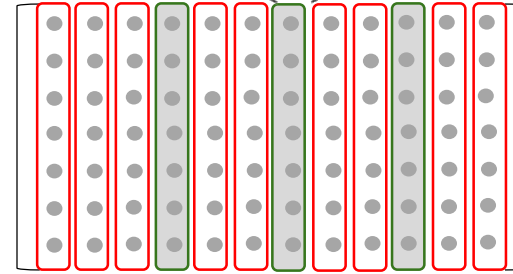
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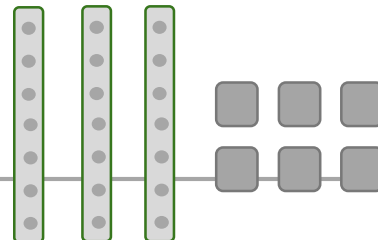
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Proof Length:  
 $O(b + \kappa \cdot a)$   
 Computation:  
 $O(a)$  FFTs of  $O(b)$

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High level approach: use **MPC in the head** [IKOS07]

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Can the communication be sublinear?

Communication complexity of (i.t.) MPC  $>$  circuit size



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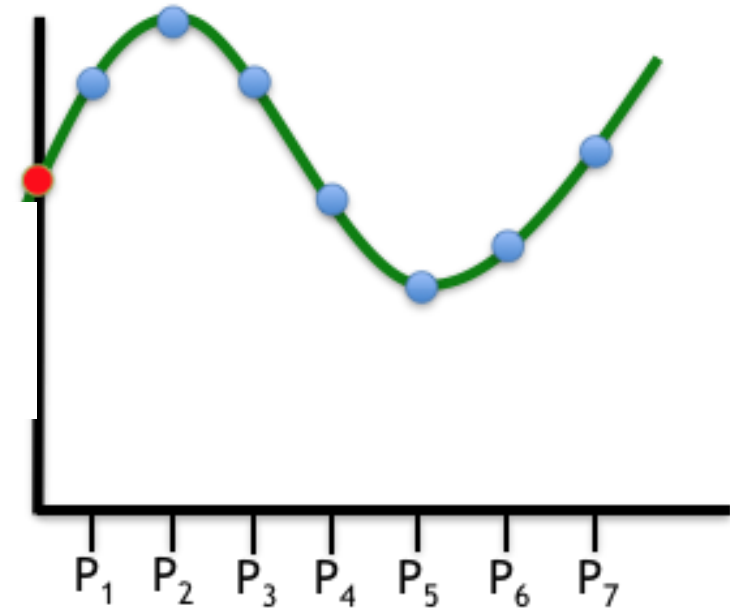


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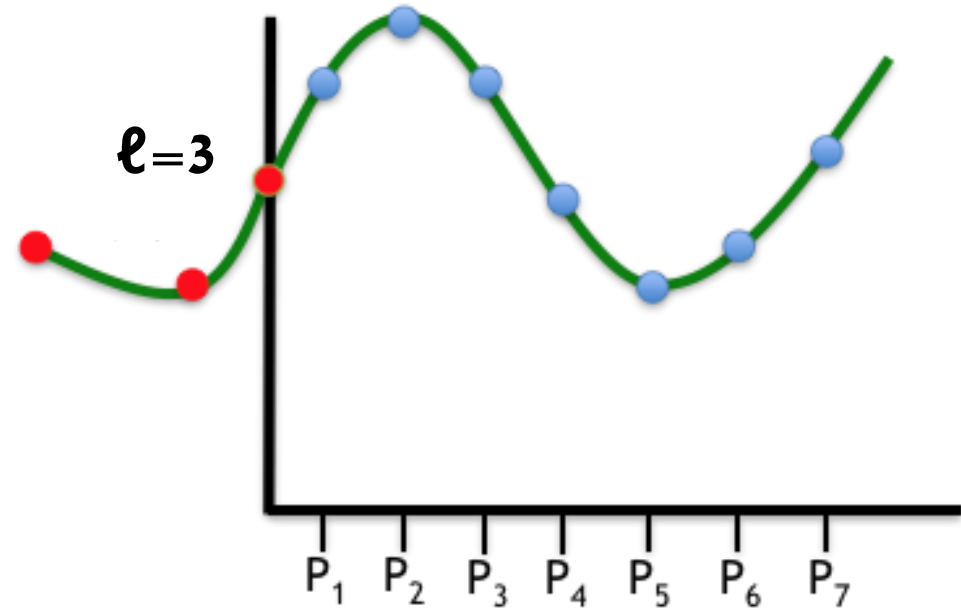
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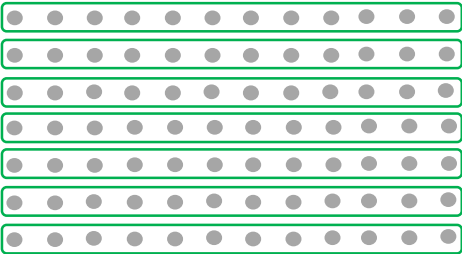




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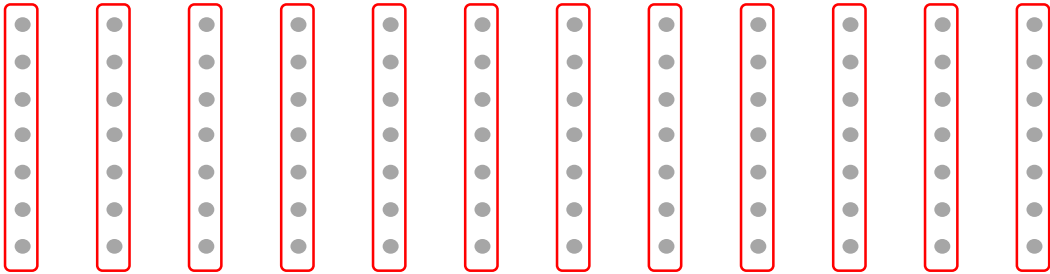


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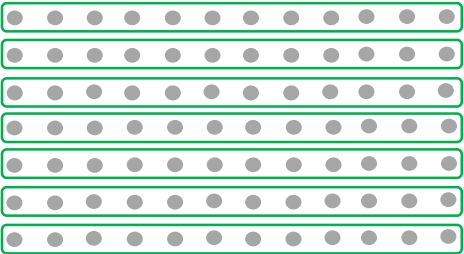


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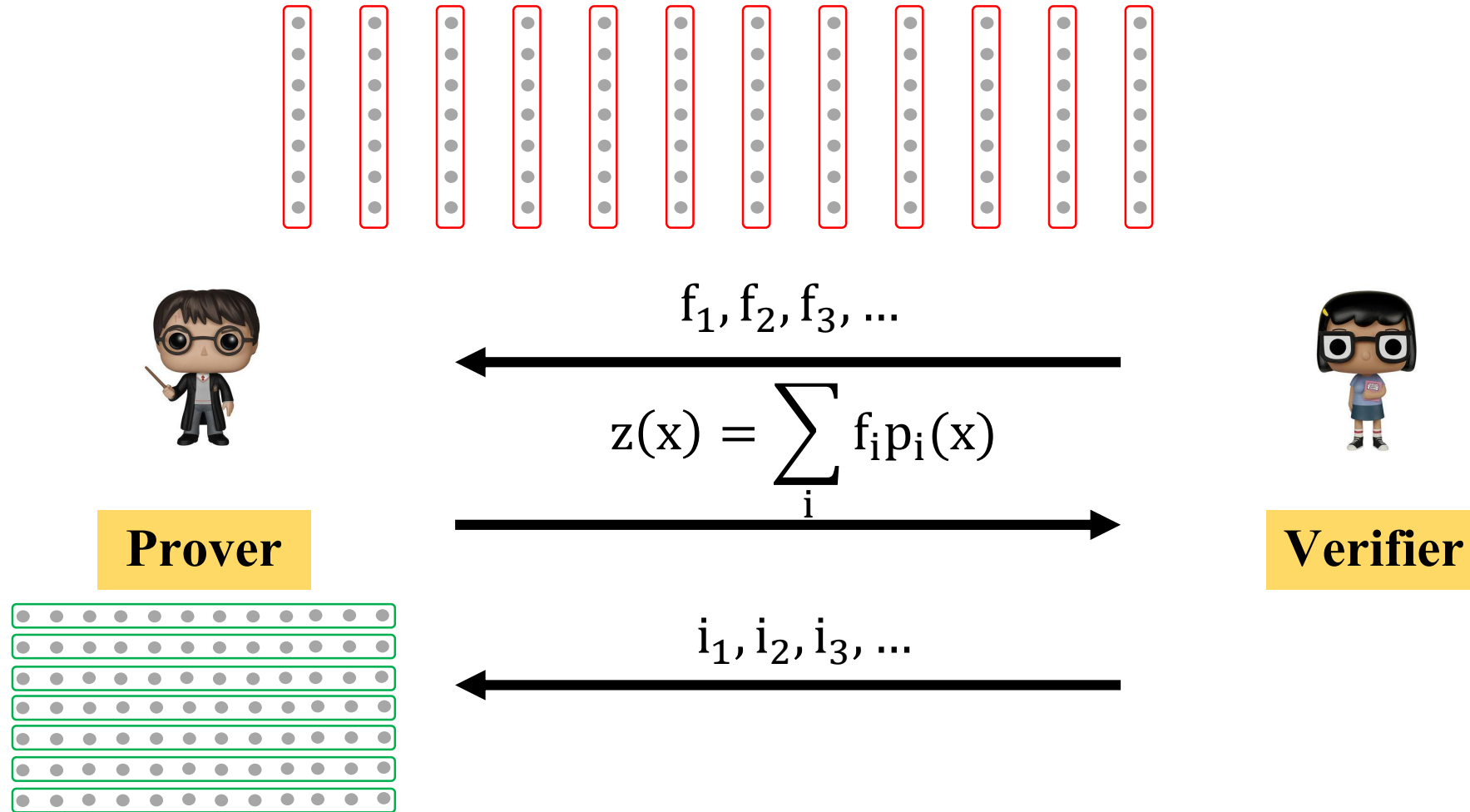


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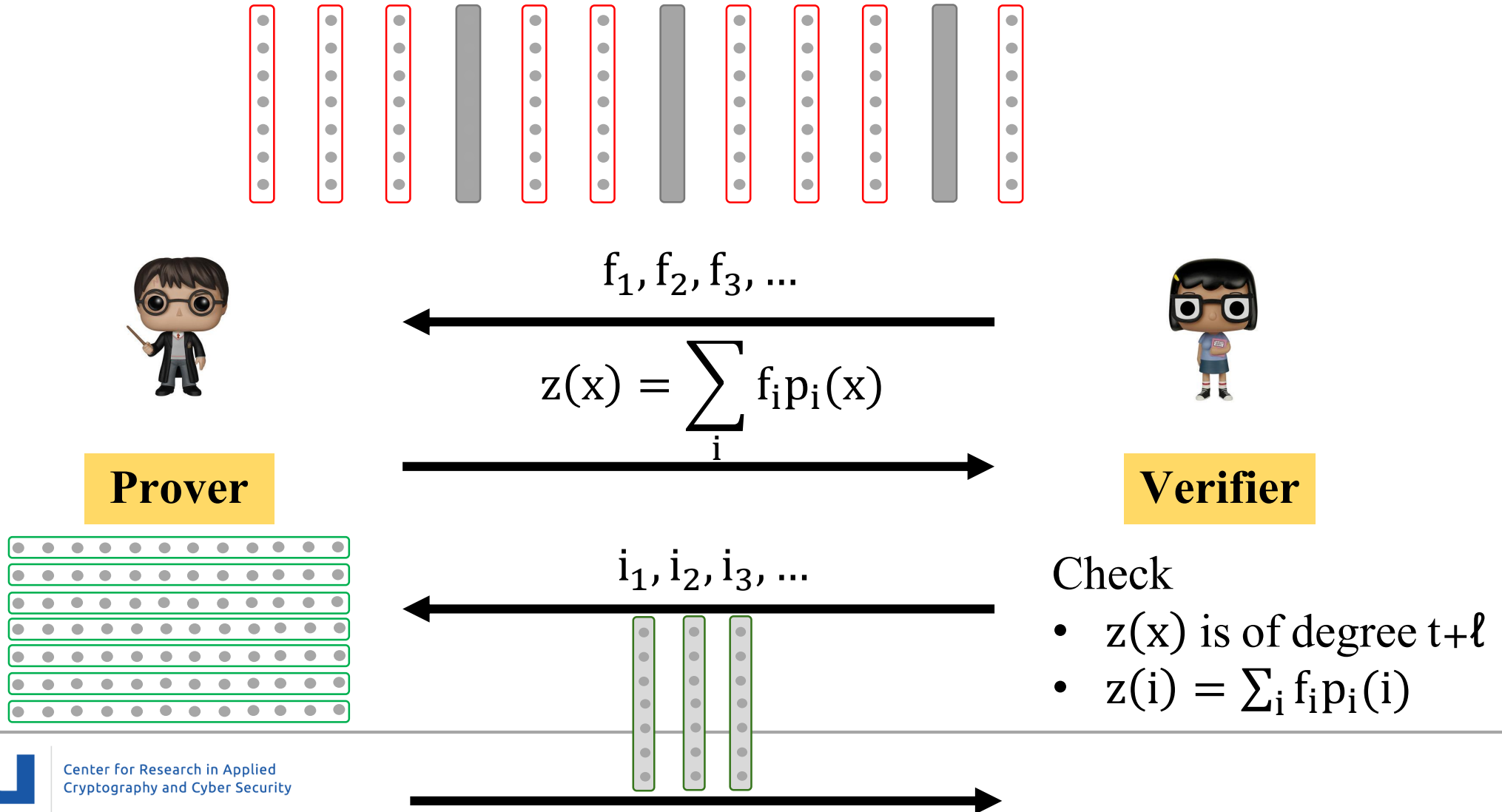


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# **Improved Non-Interactive Zero Knowledge with Applications to Post-Quantum Signatures [KKW18]**

# High-Level Overview [KKW18]

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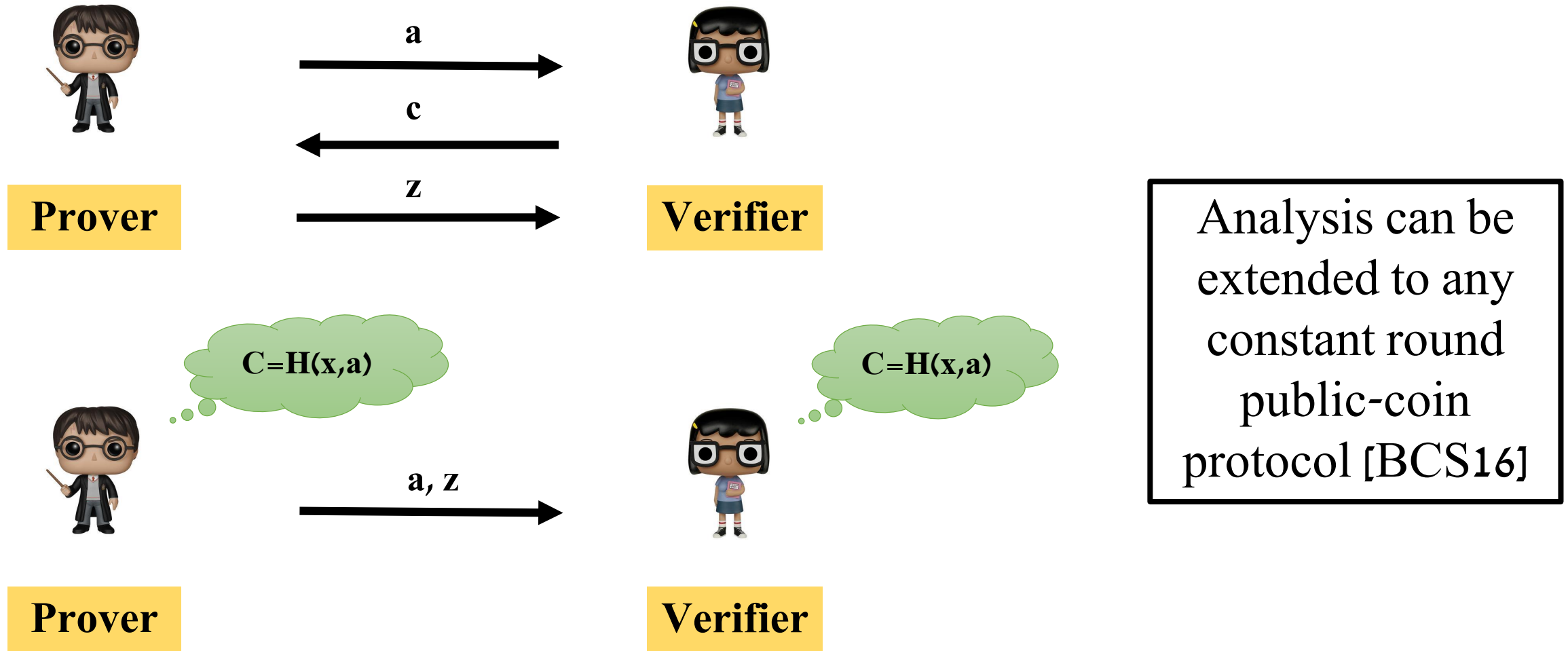
- Check consistency of preprocessing using cut-and-choose

MPC-in-the-head can be instantiated with dishonest majority protocols

- Semi-honest instances for generating correlated randomness
- Implies two versions of 5/3 rounds

Improves on Ligero proof size for circuits containing  $\approx 300-100,000$  AND gates

# Removing Interaction via the Fiat-Shamir Transform



# Obtaining (Post Quantum) Signatures from NIZKPoK

The signature scheme:

**PK:**  $y = \text{PRF}_k(0^k)$  where PRF is a block cipher

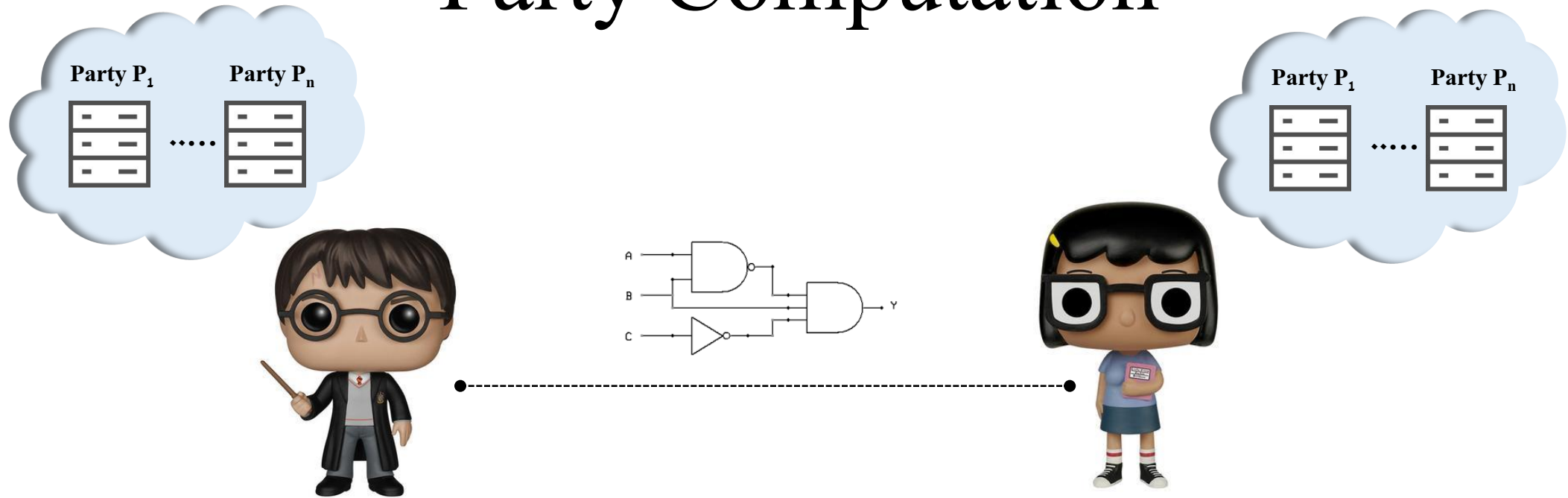
**Sig(m):** a proof for  $(y, k)$  on a challenge  $H(a, m)$

Based on symmetric-key primitives

Extensions to ring and group signatures



# Practical Instances of Arithmetic Two-Party Computation

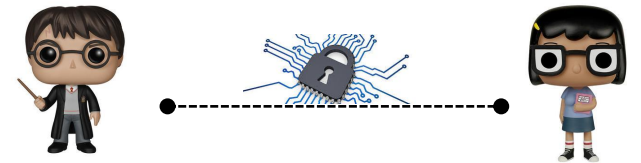
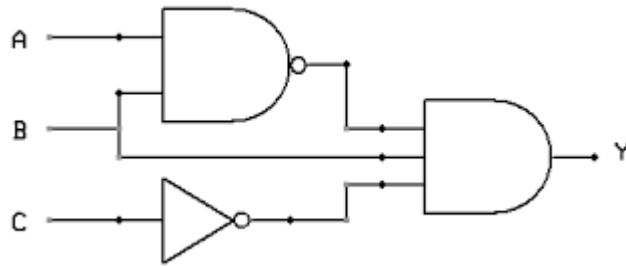


**LevioSA: Lightweight Secure Arithmetic  
Computation from Any Passively Secure OLE  
[HIMV]**

# Secure Computation

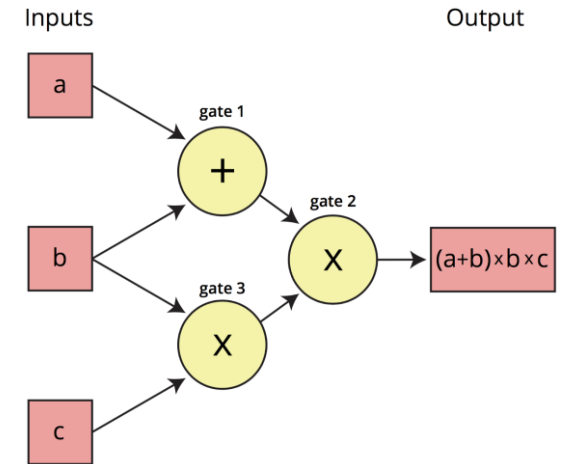
How is a function represented?

Classically, Boolean circuits [Yao86, GMW87,...]



# Arithmetic Computation

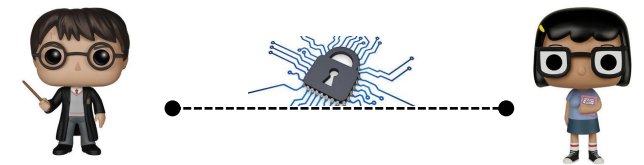
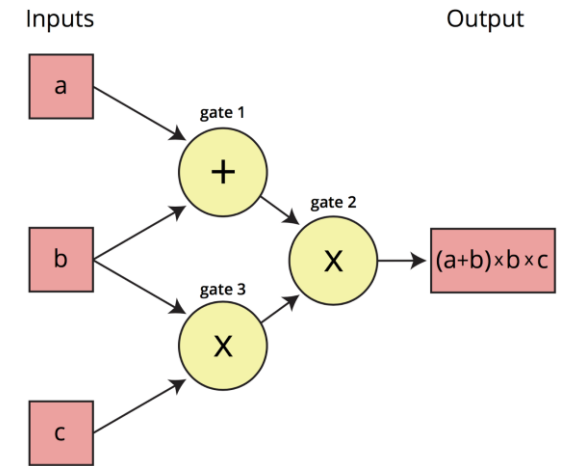
- Many computations are done over an arbitrary field  $\mathbb{F}$
- Notable examples:
  - SHA-256
  - Threshold cryptography [BF97, Gil99...]
  - Machine learning [LP00,..., JVC18, MR18, WCG18]
  - Pattern matching [HL08, HT10, ...,KRT17]
  - Even BMR garbling [LPSY15,...]



# This Talk

- Two-party
- Active security
- Arithmetic circuits

Goal: reduce communication and computation **concrete costs** of securely evaluating an arithmetic circuit over a field  $\mathbb{F}$  with active security



# Atomic Building-Block

- Oblivious linear evaluation (OLE)
  - A generalization of oblivious-transfer



# Prior Approaches to Practical Arithmetic 2PC

## 1. 2PC in the OLE-hybrid [IPS09, DGNNR17]

- Black-box calls to OLE

22 calls to  
active OLE

## 2. 2PC in the OT-hybrid [Gil99, KOS16, FPY18]

- Black-box calls to OT

$6 \log(|F|)$  calls to  
active OT

## 3. 2PC based on semi-homomorphic encryption [BDOZ11, DPSZ12, KPR18]

Based on concrete  
(non-standard)  
assumptions

# Main Result

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**Theorem 1:** Actively secure 2PC that makes  $O(1)$  invocations of any **passive** OLE implementation per multiplication

For “nice” circuits our communication overhead is 2

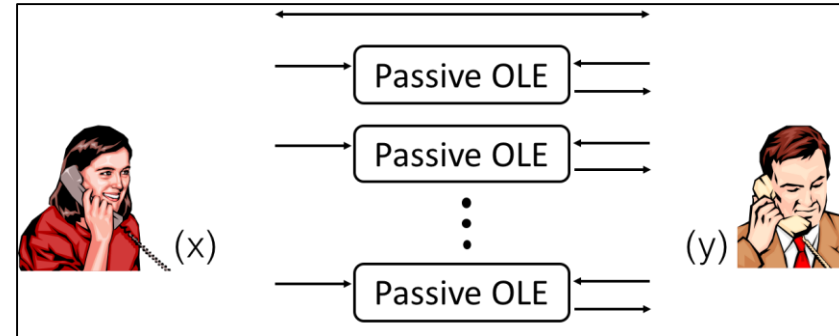
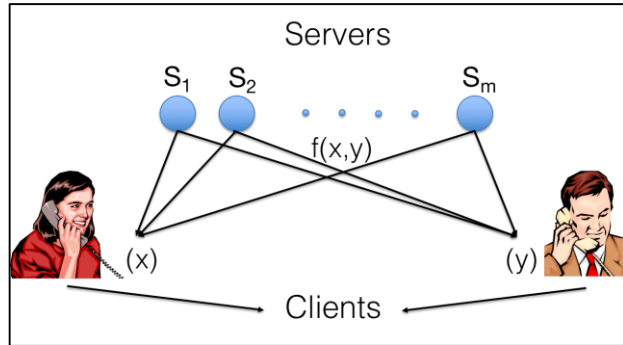
**Theorem 2:** Actively secure OLE protocol that makes 2 invocations of any **passive** OLE implementation

[DGNNR17]: 22 black-box calls to any active OLE

[GNN17]: active OLE from 2 calls to specific passive OLE

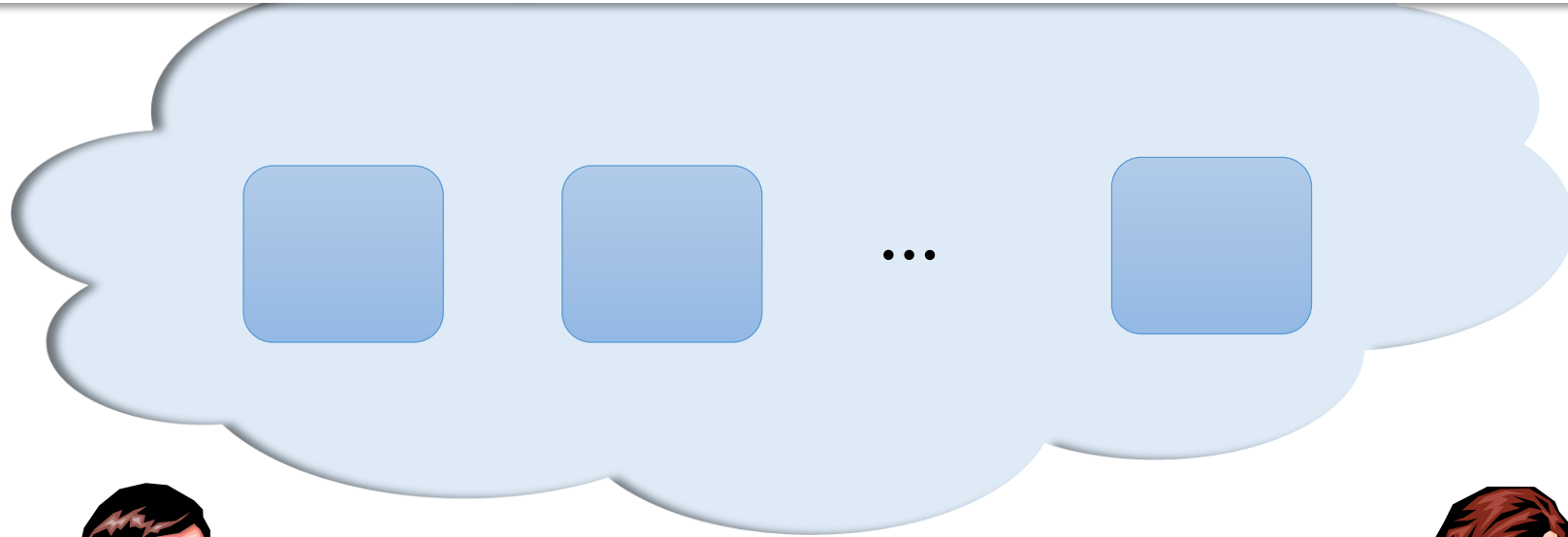


# The Combined Protocol



1. Parties emulate the servers using passive 2PC
  - a) Server's inputs are shared between the parties
2. Enforce honest majority among servers by "watching"
  - a) Alice obtains Bob's shares for k-out-of-n servers
  - b) Bob obtains Alice's shares for k-out-of-n servers

# Active OLE from Passive OLE



$a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m$



$A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$

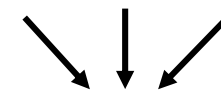
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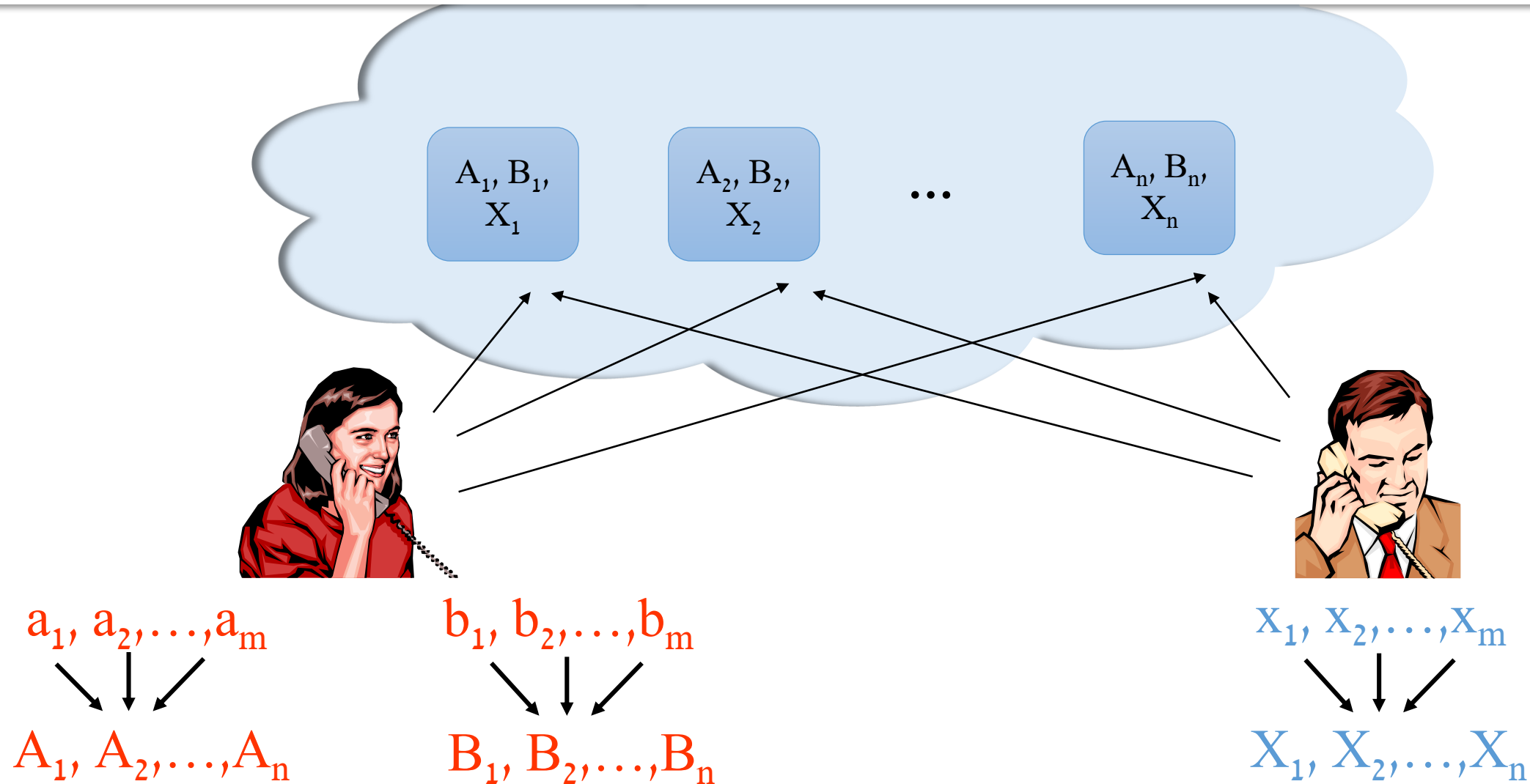


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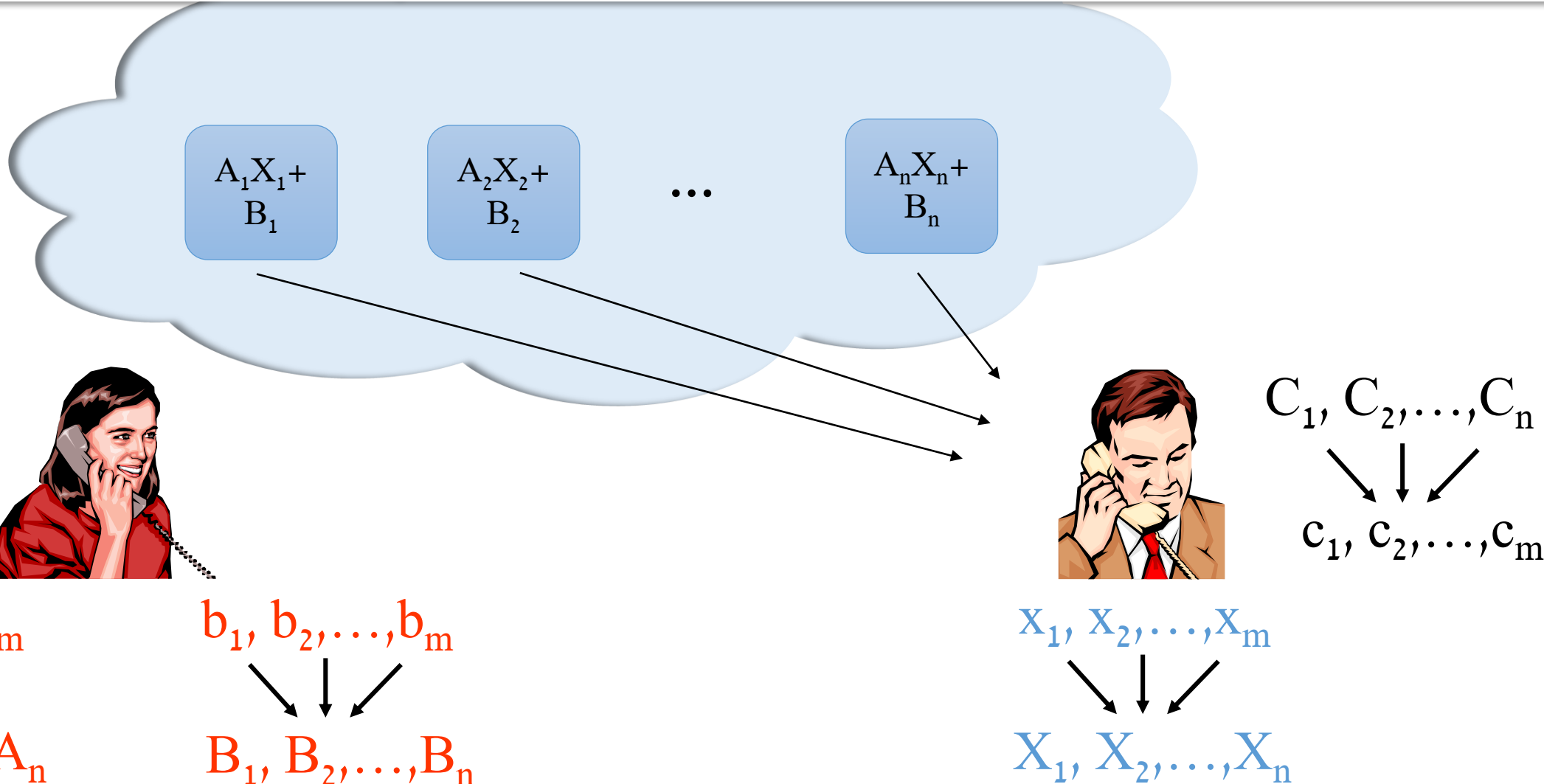


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# Active OLE from Passive OLE



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# Black-Box Based on Any Passive OLE

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## 1. More flexibility

- Use any existing approach to passive OLE (e.g., lattice-based, group-based, code-based, etc.)
  - Does not need “ZK friendliness”
- Off-the-shelf software/hardware implementation

## 2. Bonus feature

“error-correct” weak implementations of passive OLE efficiently [in progress]

- Constant correctness error
- Constant privacy error

# Summary

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MPC-in-the-head is a useful tool for designing practical protocols

- Highly flexible and can be instantiated with different building blocks
- Optimized protocols achieve better parameters
- Much to explore in the context of concrete efficiency

