CNF-FSS and its Applications

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Abstract. Function Secret Sharing (FSS), introduced by Boyle, Gilboa and Ishai [BGI15], extends the classical notion of secret-sharing a *value* to secret sharing a *function*. Namely, for a secret function f (from a class \mathcal{F}), FSS provides a sharing of f whereby *succinct* shares ("keys") are distributed to a set of parties, so that later the parties can non-interactively compute an additive sharing of f(x), for any input x in the domain of f. Previous work on FSS concentrated mostly on the two-party case, where highly efficient schemes are obtained for some simple, yet extremely useful, classes \mathcal{F} (in particular, FSS for the class of point functions, a task referred to as DPF – Distributed Point Functions [GI14,BGI15]).

In this paper, we concentrate on the multi-party case, with $p \geq 3$ parties and t-security $(1 \leq t < p)$. First, we introduce the notion of CNF-DPF (or, more generally, CNF-FSS), where the scheme uses the CNF version of secret sharing (rather than additive sharing) to share each value f(x). We then demonstrate the utility of CNF-DPF by providing several applications. Our main results are:

- (i) We show how CNF-DPF can be used to achieve substantial asymptotic improvement in communication complexity when using it as a building block for constructing *standard* (t, p)-DPF protocols that tolerate t > 1 (semi-honest) corruptions. For example, we build a 2-out-of-5 secure (standard) DPF scheme of communication complexity $O(N^{1/4})$, where N is the domain size of f (compared with the current best-known of $O(N^{1/2})$ for (2,5)-DPF). More generally, with p > dt parties, we give a (t, p)-DPF whose complexity grows as $O(N^{1/2d})$ (rather than $O(\sqrt{N})$ that follows from the (p-1, p)-DPF scheme of [BGI15]).⁴
- (ii) We construct a 1-out-of-3 secure CNF-DPF scheme, in which each party holds two of the three keys, with poly-logarithmic communication complexity. These results have some immediate implications to scenarios where (multi-server) DPF was shown to be applicable. For example, we show how to use such a scheme to obtain asymptotic improvement $(O(\log^2 N) \text{ versus } O(\sqrt{N}))$ in communication complexity over currently best-known black-box results for the 3-party protocol of [BKKO20].

1 Introduction

Function Secret Sharing (FSS) [BGI15] provides a sharing of a secret function f, from a class of functions \mathcal{F} , between p parties, such that each party's share

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⁴ We ignore here terms that depend on the number of parties, p, the security parameter, etc. See precise statements in the main body of the paper below.

of f (also termed "key") is succinct (in terms of the size of the truth-table representing f) and such that the parties can locally compute (additive) shares of f(x), for any input x, without further interaction. While efficient FSS schemes are currently known only for limited classes of functions (and impossibility results demonstrate other classes of functions for which no efficient FSS scheme can exist), FSS has found enormous utility in distributed and multi-party protocols, due to its low communication overhead. Indeed, the FSS paradigm has proven to be incredibly powerful even for the most basic of function classes: Point Functions, which output a non-zero value at only a single point in their domain. FSS for the class of point functions is known as DPF (Distributed Point Functions). Since DPF and FSS were introduced [GI14,BGI15], they have found applications in many areas of cryptography (see Section 1.3 below for more details). For the case of p = 2 parties, highly efficient (both theoretically and practically) DPF schemes, with poly-logarithmic complexity (in N) are known [GI14,BGI15,BGI16a], based on the minimal assumption that oneway functions (OWF) exist. This clearly implies (1, p)-DPF schemes for any p > 2. Obtaining similar results for the multiparty case, with t > 1, is an open problem and, to the best of our knowledge, the only known result in the FSS setting, based on OWF alone, is a (p-1, p)-DPF scheme of complexity proportional to \sqrt{N} from [BGI15] (and a protocol with similar complexity for the special case of (2, 3)-DPF in [BKKO20]).

CNF secret-sharing [ISN87] (also known as "replication-based secret-sharing" in [GI99]) has found great utility in a variety of applications, including: Verifiable Secret Sharing and MPC protocols [Mau02], PIR [BIK05] and others.⁵ A (t, p)-CNF secret-sharing works by first additively breaking the secret value s to $\ell = {p \choose t}$ random shares $\{s_T\}_{T \in {[p] \choose t}}$, subject to their sum satisfying $\sum_{T \in {[p] \choose t}} s_T = s$, and then distributing each share s_T to all parties not in T. It satisfies t-secrecy since, for any set T of t parties, all parties in T miss the share s_T .⁶ In the present work, we adapt the same approach in the context of FSS and introduce the notion of CNF-FSS (and the analogous notion of CNF-DPF, when the class of functions being shared are point functions) whereby, given an input x, the parties obtain a CNF-secret-sharing of f(x).⁷ We then explore the power of this new notion by constructing CNF-DPF schemes and by getting applications of these constructions. Specifically, in Section 1.1 we describe our results for the case of p parties and 1 < t < p, that use CNF-DPF schemes to obtain improved

⁵ In fact, CNF secret sharing is a special case of formula-based secret sharing [BL88]; similar generalizations are in principle possible also in the context of FSS.

⁶ CNF sharing immediately implies additive sharing, by arbitrarily assigning each share s_T to one of the parties who hold it (i.e., a party not in T), and each party's share being the sum of all (at least one) shares assigned to it.

⁷ In our constructions, this is often achieved by having each party receive multiple overlapping keys, in a CNF form, that encode the DPF function f; however, in general, this is not a requirement. For formal definitions, see Section 2 (including Remark 1).

standard DPF schemes; while, in Section 1.2, we describe our results for the special case p = 3, t = 1, where CNF-sharing is useful in some applications.

1.1 Improved Multiparty DPF with t > 1 from CNF-DPF

As mentioned, [GI14] and subsequent works demonstrated highly efficient 1out-of-2 DPF schemes (with logarithmic communication in the size of the DPF domain), but much less is known for the p > 2 and secrecy threshold t > 1 case. A trivial solution for (p-1)-out-of-p DPF is to additively share the truth-table of the point function $f_{x,v}:[N] \to \mathbb{F}$ as a string. However, this approach has communication complexity $O(N \cdot m)$, where N is the size of the domain of $f_{x,v}$ and m is its output length (note that this trivial solution is, in fact, informationtheoretic). A more efficient (p-1)-out-of-p DPF solution is given by [BGI15] and has complexity essentially $O(\sqrt{N})$ (more precisely $O(\sqrt{N \cdot 2^p} \cdot (\lambda + m))$), where λ is the security parameter).⁸ For the special case p = 3, a scheme with $O(\sqrt{N})$ complexity was also pointed out in [BKKO20]. When making stronger assumptions than the existence of OWF, additional results are known: for example, using PK assumptions and operations, specifically seed-homomorphic PRG, [CBM15] also achieve a scheme with complexity that depends on \sqrt{N} , but has better dependency on p and, under the LWE assumption, a (p-1, p)-FSS scheme for all functions can be constructed [DHRW16].

In this paper, we show how to get better complexity, when one can settle for smaller values of t. The high-level idea is as follows. First, we construct, as an intermediate tool, a (t, p)-CNF-DPF scheme. The key-generation algorithm Gen of our (t, p)-CNF-DPF scheme, produces $\ell = \binom{p}{t}$ keys $\{K_T\}_{T \in \binom{[p]}{t}}$ and gives each key K_T to each party not in T (i.e., to each party in $[p] \setminus T$). This is done by invoking the key-generation algorithm of [BGI15] for the $(\ell - 1, \ell)$ -DPF case. Algorithm Eval of [BGI15] can be applied to any input y and any key K_T , and together these ℓ values give an additive sharing of $f_{x,v}(y)$ with ℓ values. Our next idea is to view the domain [N] of the point function as a d-dimensional cube, where each dimension is of size $M = N^{1/d}$. This allows to express the point function $f_{x,v}$ as the product of d point functions f_1, \ldots, f_d , on much smaller domain of size M and apply CNF-DPF sharing to each f_i . Finally, the property of CNF sharing is that with the right relations between p, t and d(specifically, when p > td) non-interactive multiplication is possible, since the replication guarantees that each term in the product is known to some party.

These results are presented in detail in Section 3. As an example, we get a (2,5) (standard) DPF scheme with complexity $O(N^{1/4})$ (instead of $O(N^{1/2})$) and, more generally, with p > dt parties, we get a (t, p)-DPF with complexity $O(N^{1/2d} \cdot \sqrt{2^{p^t}} \cdot p^t \cdot d \cdot (\lambda + m))$. In fact, one can also obtain a scheme with information-theoretic security of complexity $O(N^{1/d} \cdot p^t \cdot d \cdot m)$ by just replacing

⁸ In [BGI15], the range may be a group, as they only need the additive structure. However, we use a field \mathbb{F} as the range, since we will also use multiplication. For concreteness, we can think of the field $GF[2^m]$, represented by *m*-bit strings.

the CNF-DPF above (based on [BGI15]) with a naive CNF sharing of the truth table of each f_i .

Our results may be useful in several cases where DPF was already shown to be relevant. For instance, consider the case of Binary CPIR (i.e., Computational Private Information Retrieval schemes where servers' answers are a single bit) or, more generally, CPIR with constant answer length. Binary PIR schemes are useful in the context of retrieving long records, and have connections with locally decodable codes (LDC). The fact that DPF schemes imply Binary CPIR schemes with the same complexity was shown in [GI14,BGI15] and this connection holds also for the t-private version of DPF and CPIR schemes. Hence, our (t, p)-DPF schemes with complexity $\approx O(N^{1/2d})$ (for p = dt + 1 parties) imply (t, p)-binary-CPIR with similar complexity. Before, to get (t, p)-binary-CPIR, one could use a number of servers p that is exponential in t, to get much better complexity. Specifically, one could get information-theoretic Binary PIR of complexity $N^{o(1)}$ using $p = 3^t$ servers (by combining [BIW07] with [Efr09]), or Binary CPIR of poly-logarithmic complexity using $p = 2^t$ servers (by combining [BIW07] with a 2-server DPF, as pointed out in [GI14]). Or, with a moderate number of servers p, one could use a binary (information theoretic) PIR with complexity $\approx O(N^{1/d})$ (again, for p = dt + 1) [DIO98,BIK05]. We essentially get a quadratic improvement in this regime of parameters. Similar improvements can be applied also to the PIR writing model [OS97].

1.2 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF

Motivated by applications, we give a special treatment for the 3-party case. A (1,3) standard DPF scheme of poly-logarithmic complexity is easy to achieve just by using solutions for the (1,2)-case and not utilizing the third party at all. In [BKKO20] a so-called *Distributed ORAM* scheme is presented that relies on (2,3)-DPF, for which only schemes of complexity $O(\sqrt{N})$ are known. We observe that [BKKO20] does not need the full strength of (2,3)-security and, instead, can rely on a (1,3)-DPF, provided an appropriate "CNF" replication of keys between the 3 parties (i.e., there are still 3 keys, as in the (2,3) case, but each of them is known to 2 of the parties, which can clearly only give 1-security). Note that this does not seem trivial to achieve: if we start from a (2,3)-DPF scheme then we can easily get a (1,3)-CNF-DPF but with much higher complexity than what we aim for, and if we start from a (1,3)-DPF and give each key to 2 parties, then security is lost. Nevertheless, we show (in Section 4) how to construct a (1,3)-CNF-DPF scheme, while still maintaining poly-logarithmic complexity. Hence, improving the asymptotic complexity of the scheme from [BKKO20].⁹

⁹ In order to use our (1,3)-CNF-DPF scheme as a subprotocol of [BKKO20], it must be converted into a distributed (*dealerless*) protocol. While generic techniques exist to perform this conversion, using these would decrease overall performance of the resulting protocol. We show, in Appendix C, how our (1,3)-CNF-DPF can be converted into a distributed protocol in a black-box manner, while maintaining polylog communication (though this conversion does incur a hit in round-complexity over the protocol of [BKKO20]: log rounds versus constant-round).

While we focus on the case of 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF, as our construction is similar in spirit to the 2-party DPF scheme of [BGI15], the same modifications that are proposed in [BGI15] to extend DPF to FSS for related function classes (e.g. "sparse" vectors or matrices, step functions, interval functions, etc.) are applicable for our 1-out-of-3 scheme as well; we omit these applications from the current version.

Additionally, (1,3)-CNF-DPF schemes have features that may be useful in other applications. The most basic one is the ability to perform *multiplication*; that is, given two point functions f and q that are shared using a (1,3)-CNF-DPF scheme, and any evaluation points x and y, the parties can (non-interactively) generate additive shares of the product¹⁰ $f(x) \cdot g(y)$. The reason is that f(x) is the sum of 3 values, each of which is known to 2 parties, and similarly q(y) is the sum of 3 values, each known to 2 parties, so their product contains 9 terms each known to (at least) one party. (A similar observation is what we use for the general (t, p)-case (see below), and what is used in other contexts where CNF secret sharing is used; see, e.g., [BIK05].) Similarly, we can multiply a point function by a (secret-shared) value a to get additive shares of $a \cdot f(x)$, as well as other generalizations. We note that the ability to perform non-interactive multiplication(s), in CNF-FSS schemes, can be used to extend the known function classes for which standard FSS is available. For example, FSS for functions that involve the product of two sparse matrices, or of a sparse vector times a (secretshared) pseudo-random matrix, can be readily built using CNF-FSS. (See below for comparison with a related notion from [BGI16b].)

1.3 Related Work

Distributed point functions (DPF) were introduced by Gilboa and Ishai [GI14] who gave efficient constructions of (2-party) DPF schemes, based on the minimal assumption of OWF, together with a spectrum of useful applications, such as improved schemes for 2-server (computational) PIR, "PIR writing" (PIW) and related problems. Boyle, Gilboa and Ishai [BGI15], generalized this notion to other classes of functions, obtaining the notion of *Function Secret Sharing* (FSS). They present various FSS schemes, for DPF and other classes and, of particular relevance to the present work, they presented the first non-trivial solution for *multi-party* DPF. Further extension and optimizations of FSS are given in [BGI16b]. In particular, this paper presents the notion of *FSS product operator*, that allows to combine FSS schemes for classes $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2$ to an FSS for the class of their products. For a more detailed discussion and a comparison of this operator with our construction, see Section 3.2.

The related notion of *Homomorphic Secret Sharing* (HSS), which is "dual" to FSS (in the sense that it switches roles between functions and inputs), was introduced in [BGI16a] and further studied in [BGI⁺18b]. It allows for sharing a value x between p parties, so that given a function $f \in \mathcal{F}$, each party may

¹⁰ As mentioned, for the product to be defined we need the range of the functions to be a field rather than just a group.

(non-interactively) apply Eval to its share of x (and a representation of f) so as to get a sharing of f(x). In particular, [BGI16a] gives a 2-party FSS for a wide class of functions such as branching programs (though, under a stronger assumption, DDH, and with 1/poly error probability). This result yields 2-party secure computation protocols with communication sub-linear in the circuit size. Other applications of FSS include *silent OT extension* and *pseudorandom correlation generation* for simple correlations [BCG⁺19], and many more.

Another application, mentioned above, that relies on the multi-party version of DPF is that of Distributed ORAM (DORAM) [BKKO20] that allows oblivious read/write operations into memory and has applications to the design of MPC protocols in the RAM model. Concretely, [BKKO20] use a (2,3)-DPF scheme in order to construct efficient 3-party DORAM. They use overlaps between the keys of pairs of servers, to invoke PIR/PIW schemes that rely on replication of information. This serves as one motivation for the study of CNF-sharing in the present paper. Before the work of [BKKO20], Doerner and Shelat [DS17] used 2-party DPF to construct what can be viewed as a DORAM protocol in the two-party setting. In comparing [DS17] and [BKKO20] as multiparty DORAM protocols: the former has superior communication complexity (polylog N versus \sqrt{N} but inferior round-complexity (logarithmic in N versus constant-round) as well as the former using non-black-box of PRGs in the DPF construction. Applying the results in the current paper to [BKKO20], the resulting DORAM protocol would simultaneously enjoy the polylog communication complexity and logarithmic round-complexity of [DS17], as well as the black-box use of PRGs like [BKKO20]; see Appendix C.

In [CBM15], the authors describe a multi-server system called Riposte for anonymous broadcast messaging, with various features. They use the general notion of (t, p)-DPF, hence giving motivation for improving the complexity of such schemes. While concentrating on a 3-server system (using 2-party DPF), they also present a (p-1, p)-DPF scheme of $O(\sqrt{N})$ complexity. (It differs from the scheme of [BGI15] by using also PK assumptions and operations, specifically seed-homomorphic PRGs, and also their scheme does not have the 2^p term in the complexity.) A follow-up paper describes the Express system [ECZB19], in a 2server setting and using 2-party DPF. They also mention the need for improved multi-party DPFs. Finally, Blinder [APY20] is a scalable system for so-called *Anonymous Committed Broadcast*. As with the previous systems, Blinder also uses DPF as a building block but concentrates on the multi-server case.

As mentioned, the CNF version of secret sharing [ISN87] is useful in many applications, including VSS and MPC (e.g. [Mau02,IKKP15,AFL⁺16,FLNW17]), PIR [BIK05], etc. In the context of *share conversion*, it was shown in [CDI05] that shares from the CNF scheme can be locally converted to shares of the same secret from any other linear scheme realizing the same access structure (e.g., shares from the (t, p)-CNF scheme can be converted to shares for the t-out-of-p Shamir scheme).

1.4 Organization

We provide the requisite definitions and notation in Section 2. We then describe our improved t-out-of-p secure DPF schemes in Section 3, and our 1-out-of-3 secure CNF-DPF construction, with poly-logarithmic complexity, in Section 4.

2 Model and Definitions

Notation: We use [a..b] to denote the integers in the (closed) interval from a to b, and [b] to denote [1..b]. We further denote by $\binom{[b]}{t}$ the collection of all subsets of [b] of size t.

Definition 1 *FSS* [*BGI15,BGI16a*]. A t-out-of-p Function Secret Sharing scheme ((t, p)-FSS, for short) for a class of functions $\mathcal{F} = \{f : D \to \mathbb{G}\}$, with input domain D and output domain an abelian group (\mathbb{G} , +), is a pair of PPT algorithms FSS = (Gen, Eval) with the following syntax:

- Gen $(1^{\lambda}, f)$: On input the security parameter λ and a description of a function $f \in \mathcal{F}$, outputs p keys: $\{\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_p\}$;
- Eval (i, κ_i, x) : On input an index $i \in [p]$, key κ_i , and input string $x \in D$, outputs a value ("share") $y_i \in \mathbb{G}$;

satisfying the following correctness and secrecy requirements:

Correctness. For all $f \in \mathcal{F}, x \in D$:

$$Pr\left[\{\kappa_1,\ldots,\kappa_p\}\leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1,f) : \sum_{i=1}^p \mathsf{Eval}(i,\kappa_i,x) = f(x)\right] = 1.$$

Security. For any subset of indices $\mathcal{I} \subset [p]$ with size $|\mathcal{I}| \leq t$, there exists a PPT simulator Sim such that for any polynomial-size function sequence $f_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{F}$, the following distributions are computationally indistinguishable:

 $\left\{\{\kappa_1,\ldots,\kappa_p\}\leftarrow_R\mathsf{Gen}(1,f): \{\kappa_i\}_{i\in\mathcal{I}}\right\}\approx_C \left\{\{\kappa_1,\ldots,\kappa_{|\mathcal{I}|}\}\leftarrow_R\mathsf{Sim}(1,D,\mathbb{G})\right\}.$

We now extend the original FSS definition to *Conjunctive Normal Form* (*CNF*) FSS. This is similar to Definition 1, except that the output of Eval, over all p parties, should be a legal (t, p)-CNF secret-sharing of f(x) (rather than additive secret sharing). That is, let S_t denote the set of subsets of [p] of size t (there are $\binom{p}{t}$ such subsets) and, for any $i \in [p]$, let $\mathcal{T}_t^{\mathcal{P}_i} \subset S_t$ denote the subsets of S_t that do not contain index i (there are $\binom{p-1}{t}$ such subsets). Then the algorithm Eval of a (t, p)-CNF-FSS scheme produces, for each party $i \in [p]$, all the shares of f(x) corresponding to $\mathcal{T}_t^{\mathcal{P}_i}$.

Definition 2 A t-out-of-p CNF-FSS (also denoted (t, p)-CNF-FSS) scheme for a class of functions $\mathcal{F} = \{f : D \to \mathbb{G}\}$ with input domain D and output domain an abelian group $(\mathbb{G}, +)$ is a pair of PPT algorithms CNF-FSS = (Gen, Eval) with the following syntax:

- Gen $(1^{\lambda}, f)$: On input the security parameter λ and a description of a function $f \in \mathcal{F}$, outputs p keys: $\{\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_p\}$;
- Eval (i, κ_i, x) : On input an index $i \in [p]$, key κ_i , and input string $x \in D$, outputs a sequence of $a = \binom{p-1}{t}$ values $\mathcal{Y}_i := \{y_T\}_{T \in \mathcal{T}_i^{\mathcal{P}_i}}$ in \mathbb{G}^a ;

satisfying the following consistency, correctness and secrecy requirements:

Consistency. For every function $f \in \mathcal{F}$, input $x \in D$, pair of distinct parties $i, i' \in [p]$ with $i \neq i'$, and set $T \in \mathcal{S}_t$ that does not contain i or i' (i.e. $T \in \mathcal{T}_t^{\mathcal{P}_i} \cap \mathcal{T}_t^{\mathcal{P}_{i'}}$), when producing keys $\{\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \text{Gen}(1, f)$ and getting $y_{i,T} \in \mathcal{Y}_i$ for this $T \in \mathcal{T}_t^{\mathcal{P}_i}$ from $\text{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, x)$ (among other outputs) and, similarly, $y_{i',T} \in \mathcal{Y}_{i'}$ for this same $T \in \mathcal{T}_t^{\mathcal{P}_{i'}}$ from $\text{Eval}(i', \kappa_{i'}, x)$ then, with probability 1, we have $y_{i,T} = y_{i',T}$. Denote by y_T this common share value held by all parties $i \notin T$.

Correctness. For all $f \in \mathcal{F}$, $x \in D$: let $\{\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \text{Gen}(1, f)$ and let y_T , for all $T \in S_t$, as defined above. Then, with probability 1, we have: $\sum_{T \in S_t} y_T = f(x)$.

Security. For any subset of indices $\mathcal{I} \subset [p]$ with size $|\mathcal{I}| \leq t$, there exists a PPT simulator Sim such that for any polynomial-size function sequence $f_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{F}$, the following distributions are computationally indistinguishable:

 $\left\{\{\kappa_1,\ldots,\kappa_p\}\leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1,f) : \{\kappa_i\}_{i\in\mathcal{I}}\right\}\approx_C \left\{\{\kappa_1,\ldots,\kappa_{|\mathcal{I}|}\}\leftarrow_R \mathsf{Sim}(1,D,\mathbb{G})\right\}.$

Remark 1. The above definition requires only that the outputs of Eval, i.e. $\mathcal{Y}_i = \{y_T\}_{T \in \mathcal{T}_t^{\mathcal{P}_i}}$, over all parties *i*, is a legal CNF secret sharing (of f(x)). A stricter requirement that some of our constructions satisfy is that: (1) the keys themselves are in a CNF form, i.e. that each party *i* receives keys $\mathcal{K}_i := \{\kappa_T\}_{T \in \mathcal{T}_t^{\mathcal{P}_i}}$; and (2) each share y_T is computed only from κ_T . Satisfying (1) and (2) immediately implies that the shares are consistent and are in CNF form. Our CNF-DPF schemes in Section 3 have this property; while the (1,3)-CNF-DPF scheme of Section 4 satisfies (1) but not (2). That is, for the (1,3)-CNF-DPF scheme of Section 4, the keys are in CNF format, but Eval needs to operate on both keys of each party in order to produce its two shares.

Additionally, we will require the definitions of several variants of standard DPF for our (1,3)-CNF-DPF scheme of Section 4, which for clarity are defined as they are needed in Section 4.2.

3 *t*-out-of-*p* DPF from CNF-DPF

In this section, we discuss *standard* (i.e. non-CNF) DPF for p > 2 parties, and security threshold t > 1. As mentioned in Section 1.1, in contrast to the case t = 1, where very efficient poly-logarithmic solutions are known, even with p = 2parties, the complexity in the general case of (t, p)-DPF (and more generally (t, p)-FSS) is much less understood. We begin with a fixed choice of parameters t = 2 and p = 5 and demonstrate in Section 3.1 below how CNF-DPF can be used to construct an improved (standard) (2,5)-DPF scheme. We then generalize this approach in Section 3.2 to show how to construct (t, p)-DPF from CNF-DPF for a variety of parameters t and p.

3.1 Example: 2-out-of-5 DPF

To demonstrate our ideas, we start with a concrete example of the case t = 2 and p = 5, and present a (2,5)-DPF of complexity $O(N^{1/4})$. As a first step towards this goal, we construct a (2,5)-CNF-DPF scheme B with complexity $O(\sqrt{N})$. For this, we use the (standard) (q-1,q)-DPF scheme of [BGI15], with $q = \binom{5}{2} = 10$. This gives 10 keys $K_1, ..., K_{10}$ so that any set of 9 keys gives no information about the point function f, and those keys allow for producing additive shares for the value f(y), for any input y. Next, associate with each key K_i $(i \in [10])$ a distinct subset $T \in {\binom{[5]}{2}}$ and give K_i to the 3 parties outside the set T (or, equivalently, do not give K_i only to the 2 parties in T). In other words, the key κ_i of party j in our scheme B consists of all the keys K_i that correspond to sets T with $j \notin T$ (there are $6 = \binom{4}{2}$ such sets). Our B.Eval algorithm, on input κ_i , simply works by applying the Eval algorithm of [BGI15] to each K_i that κ_i contains, separately. This gives a (2,5)-CNF scheme B as needed: 10 shares/keys $K_1, ..., K_{10}$, where each pair of parties misses exactly one of them. Therefore, the view of this pair of parties in B is identical to the view of a corresponding set of 9 parties in the [BGI15] scheme, which is 9-secure (for q = 10).

Next, assume for convenience, that $N = M^2$. In this case, we can view points in the domain [N] as *pairs* of elements in [M] (e.g., we can view the point $x \in [N]$ as $(x_1, x_2) \in [M] \times [M]$). Similarly, we can view the truth table of the function $f_{x,v}:[N] \to \mathbb{F}$ as an $M \times M$ matrix, with v in position (x_1, x_2) and 0's elsewhere. With this view, we can write the point function $f_{x,v}$ as the product of two point functions (on a smaller domain) $f_{x_1,v}, f_{x_2,1}: [M] \to \mathbb{F}$. That is, for every $y = (y_1, y_2)$, we have $f_{x,v}(y) = f_{x_1,v}(y_1) \cdot f_{x_2,1}(y_2)$ (because if y = x then $y_1 = x_1$ and $y_2 = x_2$ so the product will be $v \cdot 1 = v$ and, otherwise if $y \neq x$, the product will be 0 as either the row satisfies $y_1 \neq x_1$ or the column satisfies $y_2 \neq x_2$). The Gen algorithm will apply the B.Gen algorithm twice to generate 10 keys $\{K_1, \ldots, K_{10}\}$ for $f_{x_1,v}$, and 10 keys $\{K'_1, \ldots, K'_{10}\}$ for $f_{x_2,1}$; and then, distribute each set of keys, $\{K_i\}$ and $\{K'_i\}$, to the 5 parties according to the CNF associations, as described above. The Eval algorithm, on input $y = (y_1, y_2)$, is applied with those keys to get additive sharing of $f_{x_1,v}(y_1)$ (into 10 shares that we denote $u_1, ..., u_{10}$; and similarly to get additive sharing of $f_{x_2,1}(y_2)$ (into 10) shares that we denote $v_1, ..., v_{10}$). That is, we have:

$$f_{x,v}(y) = f_{x_1,v}(y_1) \cdot f_{x_2,1}(y_2) = \sum_{i=1}^{10} u_i \cdot \sum_{j=1}^{10} v_j = \sum_{i,j \in [10]} u_i \cdot v_j.$$

Finally, we observe that because B is a CNF-DPF scheme, the CNF sharing guarantees that for each pair (i, j), there is (at least one) party that knows both

values u_i, v_j (since u_i is not known only to 2 parties and v_j is not known only to 2 parties but we have p = 5 parties). Hence, we can allocate the product $u_i \cdot v_j$, for each pair (i, j), to one of the 5 parties, which will compute it and include it in its share. So letting a_k denote party k's sum of all the pairs (i, j) allocated to it, the desired output value $f_{x,y}(y)$ is additively shared across the 5 parties as: $a_1 + \ldots + a_5$, as desired.

Correctness of the above scheme follows by the description. 2-security follows since the information known to each pair of parties T is only what they got in two invocations of the CNF-DPF scheme B. Since B is 2-secure this keeps the functions $f_{x_1,v}, f_{x_2,1}$ secret. Other than that, everything else is local computations that each party does on its own while applying Eval. As for the communication complexity (i.e., key sizes), both invocations of B and our final scheme have complexity of $O(\sqrt{M} \cdot (\lambda + m)) = O(N^{1/4} \cdot (\lambda + m))$ where, as above, m denotes the output length of the point function and λ is the security parameter.

3.2 Extending to General *t*-out-of-*p* DPF

Next, we generalize the above example. Suppose one wants to secret-share a point function with security threshold t, and has $p \ge dt + 1$ parties available for the sharing, for some d (e.g., in the example, p = 5 and t = d = 2). Then, our next result shows how this can be done with communication complexity $\approx O(N^{1/2d})$.

Theorem 3 Let t, p, d be such that p = dt+1. Then, assuming OWF exists, there is a (standard, computational) (t, p)-DPF scheme Π with complexity $O(N^{1/2d} \cdot \sqrt{2^{p^t}} \cdot p^t \cdot d \cdot (\lambda + m))$.

Note that we usually think of p (and hence also t and d) as being "small" and of N as being the main parameter, so the not-so-good dependency on p (which is inherited from [BGI15]) is secondary.

Proof. Assume for concreteness that $N = M^d$, and view each input in the domain as a vector of d values, e.g. $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_d) \in [M]^d$. Then the truth table of the point function $f_{x,v}$ can be viewed as a d-dimensional cube with v at position $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_d)$, and 0's elsewhere. Next, view the point function $f_{x,v} : [N] \to \mathbb{F}$ as the product of d point functions $f_{x_i,v_i} : [M] \to \mathbb{F}$, where $v = \prod_{i=1}^d v_i$ (e.g., $v_1 = v, v_2 = \ldots = v_d = 1$). Hence, we have, for all input $y = (y_1, \ldots, y_d)$ in the domain of $f_{x,v}$:

$$f_{x,v}(y) = \prod_{i=1}^{d} f_{x_i,v_i}(y_i).$$

As in the example, the idea will be to share each of the d "smaller" point functions f_{x_i,v_i} separately, using a CNF-DPF scheme B_i , in such a way that during the evaluation stage we can combine the outcomes of the d evaluations to obtain a (standard) additive sharing of $f_{x,v}(y)$. To construct each B, we use as a building block the (q-1,q)-DPF scheme of [BGI15], with $q = {p \choose t}$. Invoking the [BGI15] scheme with these parameters generates q keys, which we denote $\{K_T\}_{T \in \binom{[p]}{t}}$,

and each B.Gen distributes each K_T to all parties in $[p] \setminus T$. Meanwhile, each B.Eval works by applying the Eval algorithm of the [BGI15] scheme for each key K_T separately. By construction, this is indeed a CNF-sharing scheme. The *t*-security of B follows from the fact that each set T of t parties misses the share K_T and by the (q-1)-security of the [BGI15] scheme (assuming OWF). The size of the keys in the [BGI15] scheme (on domain of size M) is $O(\sqrt{M \cdot 2^q} \cdot (\lambda + m))$ and each of the p parties gets $\binom{p-1}{t} < p^t$ of them, and also $q < p^t$ so all together $O(\sqrt{M \cdot 2^{p^t}} \cdot p^t \cdot (\lambda + m))$. The key-generation algorithm of our scheme, Π .Gen, works by invoking the algorithm B.Gen d times, once for each point function f_{x_i,v_i} . Denote the keys generated by the *i*-th invocation by $\{K_{i,T}\}_{i \in [d], T \in \binom{[p]}{t}}$.

The algorithm Π .Eval, on input $y = (y_1, \ldots, y_d)$, works as follows: Denote by $S_{i,T}$ the share obtained by applying the Eval algorithm of [BGI15] on $K_{i,T}$ and y_i . By the correctness of the underlying [BGI15] scheme, we have that $f_{x_i,v_i}(y_i) = \sum_{T_i \in \binom{[p]}{t}} S_{i,T_i}$, and hence:

$$f_{x,v}(y) = \prod_{i=1}^{d} f_{x_i,v_i}(y_i) = \prod_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{T_i \in \binom{[p]}{t}} S_{i,T_i} \right) = \sum_{T_1,\dots,T_d \in \binom{[p]}{t}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{d} S_{i,T_i} \right).$$

Consider any term of the form $\prod_{i=1}^{d} S_{i,T_i}$. Each of the shares S_{i,T_i} is not known only to the *t* parties in T_i , so all together at most $d \cdot t$ parties miss any of *d* shares of this term. Since $p > d \cdot t$, there is (at least) one party that knows all the shares of this term and can compute it. Assign each term to, say, the lexicographically first party (by index) that knows this term, and let a_j , for $j \in [p]$, be the sum of all terms assigned to the *j*-th party. We get that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{p} a_j = \sum_{T_1, \dots, T_d \in \binom{[p]}{t}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{d} S_{i, T_i} \right) = f_{x, v}(y),$$

as needed.

In terms of t-security: this follows since we invoke d times (independently) the t-secure scheme B. The size of keys is therefore d times larger than the size of keys in B, i.e. $O(\sqrt{M \cdot 2^{p^t}} \cdot p^t \cdot (\lambda + m) \cdot d) = O(N^{1/2d} \cdot \sqrt{2^{p^t}} \cdot p^t \cdot d \cdot (\lambda + m))$.

Remark 2. We observe that setting e.g. $v_1 = v$, and then insisting that for all i > 1: $\{f_{x_i,v_i}\}$ has range $\{0,1\}$ instead of \mathbb{F} (with $v_i := 1$ for all such i), removes the factor of m in the complexity of all of the $\{f_{x_i,v_i}\}$ (except for f_{x_1,v_1}), and consequently the overall complexity of Π in Theorems 3 and 4 can be reduced (by a factor of m for Theorem 4 below, and by a factor of m in one of the additive terms for Theorem 3, which is meaningful when $m >> \lambda$).

Note that the above scheme, as with most FSS/DPF schemes, provides computational security. However, it is possible to get *information-theoretic* security with only a relatively small loss (essentially replacing the $N^{1/2d}$ term in the complexity of the above scheme with $N^{1/d}$) and, in fact, getting a slightly better dependency on p. More precisely:

Theorem 4 Let t, p, d be such that p = dt + 1. Then, there is a (standard, information-theoretically-secure) (t, p)-DPF scheme Π with complexity $O(N^{1/d} \cdot p^t \cdot d \cdot m)$.

Proof. The proof is very similar to the previous construction above, except that we replace all invocations of the (computational) scheme from [BGI15] for creating $q = \binom{p}{t}$ key shares, with the naive (but information-theoretically secure) scheme where the truth table is just CNF-shared as a string (with parameters (t,p)). When applied to point functions with domain size M and output length m, the key size of each of the p parties is at most $M \cdot m \cdot q = M \cdot m \cdot \binom{p}{t}$. The scheme then proceeds as above, by CNF-sharing the d point functions on domain of size $M = N^{1/d}$. The correctness and security arguments are similar to the above. The key size is $O(M \cdot p^t \cdot d \cdot m) = O(N^{1/d} \cdot p^t \cdot d \cdot m)$.

Similarly, one can plug the (p-1, p)-DPF scheme of [CBM15] to the construction of CNF-DPF in Theorem 3. This scheme relies on the existence of seed-homomorphic PRG [BLMR13] (compared to the minimal assumption of OWF, as in standard DPF schemes), and has better dependency on p, i.e., complexity of $O(\sqrt{N} \cdot poly(p) \cdot (\lambda + m))$. Hence, we can get a (t, p)-DPF scheme, like in Theorem 3, under the same assumption as [CBM15], with a somewhat better complexity of $O(N^{1/2d} \cdot poly(p^t) \cdot d \cdot (\lambda + m))$.

It is instructive to compare our technique with that of [BGI16b] (and its full version in [BGI18a]). Concretely, [BGI18a, Thm. 3.22] shows how to combine (t, p_1) -FSS for a class \mathcal{F}_1 and a (t, p_2) -FSS for a class \mathcal{F}_2 into a $(t, p_1 \cdot p_2)$ -FSS for the class of products (they term this "FSS product operator"). The main difference between our construction and their transformation is that the number of parties in their transformation grows very quickly. This means that, even if combined with our idea of decomposing the point function $f_{x,v} : [N] \to \mathbb{F}$ to a product of d point functions with smaller domains, $f_{x_i,v_i} : [M] \to \mathbb{F}$, the [BGI16b] product will require number of parties which is exponential in d, while we only use p = dt+1 parties. For example, in the case t = 2 we get, in Section 3.1 above, (2,5)-DPF with complexity $O(N^{1/4})$, while combining two (2,3)-DPFs, using [BGI16b], will result in a (2,9)-scheme (with complexity $O(N^{1/4})$, using our decomposition).

Determining the exact complexity of multi-party DPF, as a function of t and p, remains an intriguing open problem. This holds even in concrete special cases, such as the case p = 4, t = 2 where we do not know of a (2, 4)-DPF scheme with complexity $o(\sqrt{N})$ (while, as mentioned in the Introduction, (2, 4)-Binary-*CPIR* has a very efficient solution by combining DPF with [BIW07]).

4 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF

In this section we present a 1-out-of-3 secure CNF-DPF protocol that achieves poly-log communication (in the domain size N := |D|). Our construction combines ideas from the original 1-out-of-2 protocol of [BGI15] with the 2-out-of-3 protocol of [BKKO20], whereby we seek to get the communication efficiency of the former, but extended to the 3-party setting as is treated by the latter. Before giving the formal presentation of our construction, we provide some insight on the main ideas of how we convert the $O(\sqrt{N})$ protocol of [BKKO20] into the poly-log(N) protocol presented below.

4.1 Overview of Construction

In [BKKO20], the Gen algorithm partitions the domain size N into \sqrt{N} "blocks" of size \sqrt{N} , and to each block $1 \leq j \leq \sqrt{N}$, each key will be assigned a pair of PRG seeds $\{x_j, y_j\}$. In the notation below, the superscript \mathcal{P}_i for $i \in [3]$ denotes the key index,¹¹ and \mathcal{P}_R (respectively \mathcal{P}_L) refers to a PRG seed associated with a key to the "right" (respectively, to the "left") of key \mathcal{P} , where we view the key indices as a cycle: $\mathcal{P}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_1$, e.g. for $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}_1$, we have: $\mathcal{P}_R = \mathcal{P}_2$ and $\mathcal{P}_L = \mathcal{P}_3$. Also, for the DPF scheme of [BKKO20], the terminology "on-block" index $j \in [\sqrt{N}]$ refers to the index of the unique block that contains $\alpha \in D$ that defines the point function. Similarly, in a binary tree partitioning of [N] used in our construction, a node ν in this binary tree is "on-path" if the leaf-node with index $\alpha \in [N]$ is a descendent of ν .

With this notation, the key properties that the PRG seeds in [BKKO20] satisfy is:

For <i>On-Block</i> Indices j	For <i>Off-Block</i> Indices j	
$x_j^{\mathcal{P}_1} \neq x_j^{\mathcal{P}_2} \neq x_j^{\mathcal{P}_3}$	$x_j^{\mathcal{P}} = y_j^{\mathcal{P}_L}$	(1)
$y_j^{\mathcal{P}_1} = y_j^{\mathcal{P}_2} = y_j^{\mathcal{P}_3}$	$y_j^{\mathcal{P}} = x_j^{\mathcal{P}_R}$	

In this paper, to avoid the \sqrt{N} cost of dealing the seeds as per (1), as motivated by the paradigm of [BGI15] we "partition" the domain D via a binary tree, where the leaf-level has N = |D| nodes. Then, instead of dealing the PRG seeds for *every* node in the binary tree, we only deal seeds at the root, and then describe a process (which uses extra auxiliary information dealt for each level) to generate PRG seeds for the rest of the nodes in the binary tree. This process is described formally in Section 4.3 below, but we mention here the important

¹¹ The key index appears as a superscript (instead of a subscript) to avoid confusion with the node index ν that is already a subscript. The choice of \mathcal{P} over a simpler index $i \in [3]$ is to avoid confusion with an exponent (since it appears as a superscript), and the specific choice of character "P" comes from "Party," as FSS typically associates each key κ with some party \mathcal{P} .

invariant that is maintained at every node ν in the binary tree:

For <i>On-Path</i> Nodes ν	For <i>Off-Path</i> Nodes ν	
$x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_L}$	$x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_L} = z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$	
$y_{ u}^{\mathcal{P}_1} = y_{ u}^{\mathcal{P}_2} = y_{ u}^{\mathcal{P}_3}$	$y^{\mathcal{P}}_{ u}=z^{\mathcal{P}_L}_{ u}=x^{\mathcal{P}_R}_{ u}$	
$z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$	$z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_L} = y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$	

In comparing (2) to (1), notice first that instead of each key consisting of two PRG seeds, they each have *three* PRG seeds now: $\{x_j, y_j, z_j\}$. To clarify the nature of this extra seed, it will be convenient to (temporarily) modify the notation slightly: for an off-path block, in (1) the first key has PRG seeds $\{a, b\}$, the second key has seeds $\{b, c\}$, and the third key has seeds $\{c, a\}$.¹² So there are a total of three distinct seeds $\{a, b, c\}$ across all keys, and each key is missing exactly one of these three seeds for (1). Then the extra seed in each key of (2) is simply the third "missing seed."

Meanwhile, for the on-path block, in (1) the first key has PRG seeds $\{a, d\}$, the second key has seeds $\{b, d\}$, and the third key has seeds $\{c, d\}$.¹³ So there are a total of *four* distinct seeds $\{a, b, c, d\}$ across all keys, with seed d being common to all three keys, and each of the other three seeds appearing in exactly one key. Thus, unlike in off-block positions where each key was missing *one* of the *three* seeds, in the on-block position each key is missing *two* of the *four* seeds. Then, in (2), each key is given one of the two missing seeds, namely the missing seed of the key on their "right." In sticking with the present notation, we can view the extra seed z included with each key as: $z^{\mathcal{P}_1} = b$, $z^{\mathcal{P}_2} = c$, and $z^{\mathcal{P}_3} = a$.

The two main points here are:

(i) Including an extra seed as part of the keys is necessary in order to iteratively generate the seeds on lower nodes in the binary tree. In [BKKO20], there was no iterative (tree) structure, but rather everything was flat: The domain D was partitioned into \sqrt{N} blocks of \sqrt{N} elements. But in following the binary tree approach of [BGI15] in attempt to minimize communication of the Gen algorithm, we need an iterative procedure to generate seeds on lower nodes in the binary tree. As in [BGI15], the difficult step is when the procedure attempts to specify the seeds on the children nodes of an on-path parent: one child node remains on-path, while the other becomes off-path. Maintaining the proper invariant (that on-path seeds should look like the left column of (2), while off-path seeds should look like the right column of (2)) will require keys to have partial information about the two "missing" seeds, which is why our algorithm provides one of the missing seeds as part of each key.

¹² The overlapping nature of the PRG seeds, in a CNF format, is the important point here; formally, to link the two notations, set $a = x^{\mathcal{P}_1} = y^{\mathcal{P}_3}$, $b = x^{\mathcal{P}_2} = y^{\mathcal{P}_1}$, and $c = x^{\mathcal{P}_3} = y^{\mathcal{P}_2}$.

¹³ The fact that there is one common seed "d" across all three keys, and that the other seeds are all distinct, is the important point here; formally, to link the two notations, set $a = x^{\mathcal{P}_1}$, $b = x^{\mathcal{P}_2}$, $c = x^{\mathcal{P}_3}$, and $d = y^{\mathcal{P}_1} = y^{\mathcal{P}_2} = y^{\mathcal{P}_3}$.

(ii) On the other hand, including one of the "missing" seeds as part of each key is exactly why the 2-out-of-3 security of [BKKO20] is reduced to 1-out-of-3 security in our protocol: If any two parties collude, they can easily link their own extra/missing seed that they were dealt with the node for which their partner also has that seed, and thus the secret path is revealed. However, even though this restricts our protocol to 1-out-of-3 security, we observe that providing one of the two "missing seeds" as part of each key is exactly the property we require for CNF sharing of the Gen keys.

4.2 Variants of DPF

We introduce (somewhat informally) a few variants of DPF that will be used as building blocks for our protocol below. Formal definitions, as well as concrete instantiations of these, appear in Appendix A.

Definition 5 (Informal) A 1-out-of-p Matching-Share DPF (MS-DPF) is defined analogously as ordinary DPF, except that instead of the requirement that $\sum_{i} \text{Eval}(i, \kappa_{i}, \beta) = 0$ for every $\beta \neq \alpha$ in the domain of the point function $f_{\alpha,v}$, we require: $\forall \beta \neq \alpha$: $\text{Eval}(1, \kappa_{1}, \beta) = \text{Eval}(2, \kappa_{2}, \beta) = \cdots = \text{Eval}(p, \kappa_{p}, \beta)$, where p is the number of parties.

Remark 3. Note that MS-DPF as defined above is strictly speaking not FSS for the class of point functions: because all Eval shares match on every input $\beta \neq \alpha$, the actual function that an MS-DPF protocol represents looks random. However, based on the close relation to point functions (indeed, for the two-party case (p = 2) with $(\mathbb{G}, +) = (\mathbb{Z}_2^m, XOR)$, MS-DPF is identical to ordinary DPF), we stick with the "DPF" terminology.

Definition 6 (Informal) A t-out-of-p DPF⁺ is defined analogously as ordinary DPF, except that instead of the requirement that $\sum_i \text{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha) = v$, for the point function $f_{\alpha,v}$, we have a concrete specification of the exact value of $\text{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha)$ for each i. Namely, DPF⁺ allows specification of p values $\{v_1, \ldots, v_p\}$, such that $\forall i : \text{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha) = v_i$.

Finally, we combine the two definitions above, of MS-DPF and DPF⁺, and get:

Definition 7 (Informal) A 1-out-of-p MS-DPF⁺ scheme has Correctness properties: $\forall \beta \neq \alpha$: Eval $(1, \kappa_1, \beta) = \text{Eval}(2, \kappa_2, \beta) = \cdots = \text{Eval}(p, \kappa_p, \beta)$, and meanwhile at the special input point $\alpha \in D$: $\forall i : \text{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha) = v_i$.

We will use the final MS-DPF⁺ above in our (1,3)-CNF-DPF construction.

4.3 Detailed Construction of 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF

We describe the Gen and Eval algorithms for a function $f_{\alpha,v} \in \mathcal{F}$, where \mathcal{F} is the class of point functions from domain D and range abelian group $(\mathbb{G}, +)$.¹⁴

¹⁴ For most applications, $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{Z}_2^B$, so that both addition and multiplication operations are defined, and with addition equal to XOR (over a bitstring).

We assume the existence of a PRG $G : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \to \{0,1\}^{2\lambda+4}$ for security parameter λ . To fix notation, when G is applied to a seed x on a node μ , it stretches that seed to two new seeds plus four more bits, with one new seed and two bits going to each child node of node μ . To emphasize this, we write $G(x_{\mu}) = (G_L(x_{\mu}), H_L(x_{\mu}), \hat{H}_L(x_{\mu})), (G_R(x_{\mu}), H_R(x_{\mu}), \hat{H}_R(x_{\mu}))$, where $G_L, G_R : \{0, 1\}^{\lambda} \to \{0, 1\}^{\lambda}$ are zero stretch PRGs; and $H_L, \hat{H}_L, H_R, \hat{H}_R :$ $\{0, 1\}^{\lambda} \to \{0, 1\}$ all output a single bit. The L and R subscripts on each PRG emphasize how the outputs of the PRGs will be applied, namely when generating values on the *Left* and *Right* child nodes of a given parent node μ .

Gen Algorithm.

1. Values at Root. At the root node of the tree, for each index $\mathcal{P} \in [3]$, choose PRG seeds $\{x, \mathcal{P}, y, \mathcal{P}, z^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ which are random subject to the constraints of the left (On-Path) column of (2). Our algorithm will also require that, for each key \mathcal{P} , each node ν in the binary tree has "control bits" $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ associated with it. These "on-path" control bits should appear random, subject to the constraint that they sum to one if and only if node ν is on-path. We will also associate a second set of control bits $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ to each node; these will satisfy a similar property as the "on-path" control bits, except with the condition that they sum to one if and only if ν 's *sibling* is on-path (for the root node ν , which has no sibling, we demand the "sibling" control bits sum to zero). Thus, at the root node, also choose sibling control bits $\{b^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ and on-path control bits $\{c^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ which are random subject to the constraints of (3). Each key will actually include four total control bits (as these are CNF-shared across keys) at the root: $\{b^{\mathcal{P}}, b^{\mathcal{P}_R}, c^{\mathcal{P}}, c^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$.

"Siblin	ng" Control Bit b	"On-Path"	Control Bit c	
$\sum b^{\mathcal{P}} = \int 0$	if ν 's sibling is off-path if ν 's sibling is on-path	$\sum e^{\mathcal{P}} = \int 0$	if ν is off-path	(3)
$\left \frac{\sum}{\mathcal{P}} o_{\nu} \right ^{-} = \left(1 \right)$	if ν 's sibling is on-path	$\left \frac{\sum}{\mathcal{P}} c_{\nu} - 1 \right $	if ν is <i>on-path</i>	

2. <u>Correction Words</u>. For each level $1 \leq l \leq \log(N)$ and each $\mathcal{P} \in [3]$, let $\{\kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ denote the keys to a MS-DPF⁺ protocol for $f_l = f_{(\alpha)_{l-1}, \{v_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}, v_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}, v_l^{\mathcal{P}_3}\}}$, and let $\{\widehat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ denote the keys to a MS-DPF⁺ protocol for $\widehat{f}_l = \widehat{f}_{(\alpha)_l, \{\widehat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}, \widehat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}, \widehat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_3}\}}$, for functions f_l and \widehat{f}_l defined as follows.¹⁵ First, for each level l, the Gen algorithm will generate uniformly random λ -bit strings $\{p_l, q_l\}$. Then, if $\nu = \nu_l$ denotes the unique on-path node at level l, and $\mu = \mu_l$ denotes its parent node, then f_l and \widehat{f}_l are the MS-DPF⁺ functions:

$$f_{(\alpha)_{l-1},\{v_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}, v_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}, v_l^{\mathcal{P}_3}\}} : \{0, 1\}^{2^{l-1}} \to \{0, 1\}^{2\lambda}, \quad \text{with } v_l^{\mathcal{P}} = (v_L^{\mathcal{P}}, v_R^{\mathcal{P}}), \text{ where:}$$

$$v_L^{\mathcal{P}} = \begin{cases} q_l \oplus \delta_l \cdot (G_R(x_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus G_R(y_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus p_l) & \text{if path goes } left \text{ at level } l \\ G_L(x_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus G_L(y_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) & \text{if path goes } right \text{ at level } l \end{cases}$$

$$(4)$$

$$v_R^{\mathcal{P}} = \begin{cases} G_R(x_{\mu}^{-}) \oplus G_R(y_{\mu}^{-}) \\ q_l \oplus \delta_l \cdot (G_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus G_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus p_l) \\ \end{cases} \text{ if path goes } right \text{ at level } l \end{cases}$$

where $x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_L}$ is the first on-path seed of \mathcal{P}_L (see Step 3 below), and $\delta_l \in \{0, 1\}$ is zero if and only if $0 = b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1} = b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2} = b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}$.

$$\widehat{f}_{(\alpha)_{l},\{\widehat{v}_{l}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}},\widehat{v}_{l}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}},\widehat{v}_{l}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}\}}:\{0,1\}^{2^{l}}\to\{0,1\}^{\lambda}, \quad \text{with } \widehat{v}_{l}^{\mathcal{P}} = \begin{cases} p_{l} & \text{if } b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{L}} = 0\\ q_{l} & \text{if } b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{L}} = 1 \end{cases}$$
(5)

¹⁵ Recall that MS-DPF+ functions f_l and $\hat{f_l}$ are *not* technically point functions (see Definition 5 and the ensuing remark). Also, for notation, $(\alpha)_{l-1}$ (as the special point in the domain of $f_l = f_{(\alpha)_l, \{v_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}, v_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}, v_l^{\mathcal{P}_3}\}}$) and $(\alpha)_l$ (for $\hat{f_l} = \hat{f}_{(\alpha)_l, \{\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}, \hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}, \hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_3}\}}$) denote the first l-1 bits (respectively l bits) of α ; whereas α_l (as it appears in (4) and (5)) denotes the l^{th} bit of α .

The above MS-DPF⁺ keys will serve as the "correction words" for the PRG seeds.¹⁶ In addition to these, the Gen algorithm will produce "correction bits," which will allow correct values for $\{b^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ and $\{c^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ on each level. To simplify notation in the definition of the correction bits, we define the following values:¹⁷

$$h_{L} := H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \oplus H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}})$$

$$h_{R} := H_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \oplus H_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus H_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus H_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}})$$

$$\hat{h}_{L} := \hat{H}_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \oplus \hat{H}_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus \hat{H}_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus \hat{H}_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}})$$

$$\hat{h}_{R} := \hat{H}_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \oplus \hat{H}_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus \hat{H}_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus \hat{H}_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}})$$
(6)

where μ denotes the on-path node on level l - 1. Now, for each level l, each key will include four "correction bits" $\{r_l, s_l, t_l, u_l\}$, defined as follows:

$$r_{l} = \begin{cases} h_{L} & \text{if } \alpha_{l} = 0\\ 1 \oplus h_{L} & \text{if } \alpha_{l} = 1 \end{cases} \qquad s_{l} = \begin{cases} 1 \oplus h_{R} & \text{if } \alpha_{l} = 0\\ h_{R} & \text{if } \alpha_{l} = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$t_{l} = \begin{cases} 1 \oplus \hat{h}_{L} & \text{if } \alpha_{l} = 0\\ \hat{h}_{L} & \text{if } \alpha_{l} = 1 \end{cases} \qquad u_{l} = \begin{cases} \hat{h}_{R} & \text{if } \alpha_{l} = 0\\ 1 \oplus \hat{h}_{R} & \text{if } \alpha_{l} = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(7)$$

- 3. Compute On-Path Seed Values. For each level l, use the correction words and bits (from the previous step) to generate seeds for the following level, as per the formulas in (12) and (13) (see Step 1c of the Eval Algorithm).
- 4. Final Correction Word. Define the final correction word CW:

$$CW := v \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\widehat{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\widehat{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\widehat{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\widehat{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \in \mathbb{G},$$
(8)

where v is the non-zero value of the target point function $f_{\alpha,v}$, $\hat{\nu}$ is the leaf node at index $\alpha \in D$, and $\hat{G} : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \to \mathbb{G}$ is a map that converts a random λ -bit string into a pseudorandom group element in \mathbb{G} .

As the final output, for each $\mathcal{P} \in [3]$, the Gen algorithm outputs keys:

$$\kappa^{\mathcal{P}} := \left(\{ x^{\mathcal{P}}, y^{\mathcal{P}}, z^{\mathcal{P}} \}, \{ b^{\mathcal{P}}, b^{\mathcal{P}_R}, c^{\mathcal{P}}, c^{\mathcal{P}_R} \}, CW \\ \forall 1 \le l \le \log(N) : \{ \kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}} \}, \{ \widehat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}} \}, \{ r_l, s_l, t_l, u_l \} \right)$$
(9)

Eval Algorithm.

The $\mathsf{Eval}(\kappa, \mathcal{P}, i, \beta)$ algorithm is an iterative procedure where we start at the root of the binary tree, and define a procedure for traversing the tree (along the path of input $\beta \in D$)¹⁸ whereby, at each step, we use the current node's values (plus

¹⁶ We use MS-DPF+ instead of just dealing correction words directly because we require each key use a slightly different correction word. Since this is not the case for the "correction bits," we generate those directly, as indicated above.

¹⁷ For clarity, we suppress the level l in the subscript in the notation of (6).

¹⁸ The binary representation $\beta = \beta_1 \beta_2 \dots \beta_{\log(N)}$ of input $\beta \in D$ naturally defines a path down a binary tree (of depth $\log(N)$) by interpreting $\beta_l = 0$ to indicate going to the *left* child of the current node at level l, and moving right at level l if $\beta_l = 1$.

the **Gen** key) to compute the values of the next node on the path. Formally, for any current node μ on level l of the path of β , with seed values $\{x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ and (CNF-shared) control bits $\{b_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}, c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}\}$, we demonstrate how to generate corresponding values for the next node ν on the path of β , corresponding to node μ 's left or right child (depending on whether β_{l} is zero or one).

- 1. <u>Traverse Tree per $\beta \in D$.</u> For each level $1 \leq l \leq \log(N)$, let ν denote the current node on the path¹⁹ of β at level l, and let μ denote ν 's parent node. The previous iteration²⁰ of this step output values on parent node μ : $\{x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ and $\{b_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}, c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}, c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$. Also, recall from (9) that for the current level l the Gen algorithm output the MS-DPF⁺ keys $\kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}}$ and $\hat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}$; as well as the correction bits $\{r_l, s_l, t_l, u_l\}$. Output the following corresponding values for node ν as follows:
 - (a) Generating CNF-sharing of sibling control bits: $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$. Set $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$ as follows:

$$b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = \begin{cases} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot r_{l} \oplus H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is } left \text{ child of } \mu \\ c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot s_{l} \oplus H_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is } right \text{ child of } \mu \\ \end{cases}$$

$$b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = \begin{cases} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} \cdot r_{l} \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{L}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is } left \text{ child of } \mu \\ c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} \cdot s_{l} \oplus H_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{R}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is } right \text{ child of } \mu \end{cases}$$
(10)

(b) Generating CNF-sharing of on-path control bits: $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$. Set $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$ as follows:

$$c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = \begin{cases} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot t_{l} \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is } left \text{ child of } \mu \\ c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot u_{l} \oplus \widehat{H}_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \widehat{H}_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is } right \text{ child of } \mu \\ c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = \begin{cases} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} \cdot t_{l} \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is } left \text{ child of } \mu \\ c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} \cdot u_{l} \oplus \widehat{H}_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \widehat{H}_{R}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is } right \text{ child of } \mu \end{cases} \end{cases}$$
(11)

(c) Generating Seeds $\{x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$. First, to set notation: Let $G_* = G_L$ (respectively $G_* = G_R$) if ν is the *left* (respectively *right*) child of μ . Also, let $w_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} := \mathsf{Eval}(\kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}}, \nu)$ and let $\widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} := \mathsf{Eval}(\widehat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}, \nu)$ (recall that $\{\kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}}, \widehat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ were output as part of the **Gen** key, and they correspond to the MS-DPF⁺ protocols described by (4) - (5)). Recall from (4) that $w_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \in \{0, 1\}^{2\lambda}$, so let $w_*^{\mathcal{P}}$ be the first (respectively the last) λ bits of $w_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}$ if ν is the left (respectively right) child of its parent. We condition on the $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$ values that were output in Step 1a above:

¹⁹ Formally, if we index (0-based) the nodes on any level l, then the (binary representation of the) index of ν is: $\beta_1 \beta_2 \dots \beta_l$.

 $^{^{20}}$ If l=1 then μ is the root node and the mentioned values on μ are directly from the Gen key.

Case I: $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \neq b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}$. Then set $\{x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} &= G_*(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot (G_*(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus w_*^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \\ y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} &= G_*(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot (G_*(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus G_*(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}})) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \\ z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} &= w_*^{\mathcal{P}} \oplus b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot (w_*^{\mathcal{P}} \oplus G_*(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}})) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \end{aligned}$$
(12)

<u>Case II:</u> $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$. Then set $\{x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} &= G_*(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot (G_*(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus G_*(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}})) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \\ y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} &= G_*(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot (G_*(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus w_*^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \\ z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} &= G_*(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot (G_*(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus G_*(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}})) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \end{aligned}$$
(13)

2. Apply Final Correction Word. After terminating the above step at the leaf node ν on level $l = \log(N)$, the above iterative procedure has output values on ν : $\{x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ and $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}, c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}\}$. Then, as per the definition of (1,3)-CNF-FSS, $\mathsf{Eval}(\mathcal{P}, \kappa^{\mathcal{P}}, \beta)$ outputs $\binom{3-1}{1} = 2$ values in \mathbb{G} , which are:

$$\mathsf{Eval}(\mathcal{P},\kappa^{\mathcal{P}},\beta) := \left(c^{\mathcal{P}}_{\nu} \cdot CW \oplus \widehat{G}(x^{\mathcal{P}}_{\nu}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y^{\mathcal{P}}_{\nu}), \ c^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}_{\nu} \cdot CW \oplus \widehat{G}(y^{\mathcal{P}}_{\nu}) \oplus \widehat{G}(z^{\mathcal{P}}_{\nu})\right)$$
(14)

4.4 Analysis

We formalize the results of the above construction in the following:

Theorem 8 Assuming OWF, the protocol described in Section 4.3 is a (1,3)-CNF-DPF scheme with complexity $O(m + \lambda \log^2(N))$.

Proof. We argue how the scheme described in Section 4.3 satisfies each of the requisite properties of CNF-DPF (see Definition 2).

Communication. The size of each Gen key is $O(m + \lambda \log^2(N))$:

- $O(\lambda)$ for each of the original PRG seeds $\{x^{\mathcal{P}}, y^{\mathcal{P}}, z^{\mathcal{P}}\}$. O(1) for the four control bits on the root node $\{b^{\mathcal{P}}, b^{\mathcal{P}_R}, c^{\mathcal{P}}, c^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$.
- -O(m) for the $CW \in \mathbb{G}$ (recall $m = |\mathbb{G}|$).
- For each $1 \leq l \leq \log(N)$: $O(\lambda \log(N))$ for the collection of MS-DPF⁺ keys $\{\kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}}, \widehat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}\$ (see Claim 14 in Appendix A). Adding these costs for each level l yields total cost of these keys: $O(\lambda \log^2(N))$.

Correctness. We demonstrate for any input $\beta \in D$ and for each $\mathcal{P} \in [3]$:

$$\sum_{\mathcal{P}} \mathsf{Eval}(\mathcal{P}, \kappa^{\mathcal{P}}, \beta) = \begin{cases} (0,0) & \text{if } \beta \neq \alpha \\ (v,v) & \text{if } \beta = \alpha \end{cases}$$
(15)

(Recall that in a (1,3)-CNF scheme, Eval outputs for each party a pair of values, one per key, and the sum of all left values and the sum of all right values should both equal $f(\beta)$, which for DPF is either 0 or v, depending on whether input β equals α .) To show (15) holds, we first show that at every iteration of Step 1 of the Eval procedure, that the values $\{x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ and $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}R}, c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}R}\}$ respect the invariants listed in tables (2) and (3), respectively. Then, once this is shown, (15) follows immediately since:

First coordinate of
$$\sum_{\mathcal{P}} \mathsf{Eval}(\mathcal{P}, \kappa^{\mathcal{P}}, \beta) :$$

$$= \sum_{\mathcal{P}} \left(c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot CW \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \right)$$

$$= CW \cdot \sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} \oplus \left(\left(\widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \right) \oplus \left(\widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \right) \oplus \left(\widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \right) \right)$$

$$= \begin{cases} v \text{ if } \beta = \alpha \\ 0 \text{ if } \beta \neq \alpha \end{cases}$$
(16)

where we have used in (16) that $\sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = 1$ if $\beta = \alpha$ and otherwise the sum equals zero (as per (3)); and from (2) that:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}})) \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}})) \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}})) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}})) = CW \oplus v & \text{if } \beta = \alpha \\ 0 & \text{if } \beta \neq \alpha \end{cases}$$

Meanwhile, the case for the second coordinate of $\sum_{\mathcal{P}} \mathsf{Eval}(\mathcal{P}, \kappa^{\mathcal{P}}, \beta)$ is similar, since the $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}\}$ obey (3) in the same way that $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ do, and the symmetry (in terms of (2)) of each key's first two PRG seeds $\{x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ and each key's second two PRG seeds $\{y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$.

Thus, it remains to show that the invariants of (2) and (3) apply at every node in the binary tree. We argue this fact recursively, by demonstrating that as long as the invariants (2) and (3) hold on a parent node μ , then these invariants will continue to hold for both of μ 's children. We kick off the recursive argument by noting that the root note (which is necessarily on-path) satisfies (2) and (3) by construction (see Step 1 of the **Gen** algorithm). For the inductive step, consider an arbitrary node ν on level $1 \le l \le \log(N)$, and let μ denote ν 's parent. We do a case analysis based on whether ν is the left or right child of μ :

Case 1: ν is the left child of $\mu.$

Sibling Control Bits $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$.

Looking at formula (10) for generating the sibling control bits $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$ on ν :

$$\sum_{\mathcal{P}} b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = \sum_{\mathcal{P}} \left(c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot r_{l} \oplus H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \right)$$

$$= r_{l} \cdot \sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} \oplus$$

$$\left(\left(H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \right) \oplus \left(H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \right) \oplus \left(H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \right) \right)$$

$$= \begin{cases} r_{l} \oplus h_{L} \text{ if } \mu \text{ is } on-path \\ 0 & \text{ if } \mu \text{ is } off-path \end{cases}$$

$$(17)$$

where we have used in (17) that $\sum_{\mathcal{P}} c^{\mathcal{P}}_{\mu} = 1$ if parent node μ is *on-path* and otherwise the sum equals zero (as per (3)); and from (2) that:

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus H_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} H_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus H_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} H_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus H_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{cases} H_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_1})) \oplus H_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus H_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus H_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \end{pmatrix} = h_L & \text{if } \mu \text{ is on-path} \\ 0 & \text{if } \mu \text{ is off-path} \end{cases}$$

Thus, if μ is off-path, then both ν and its sibling are also off-path, and $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ satisfies the requisite property of (3). Meanwhile, if μ is on-path, then exactly one of ν or its sibling is on-path. Namely, since we are in the case that ν is the *left* child of μ , then ν is on-path if and only if $\alpha_l = 0$. In particular if μ is on-path:

$$\sum_{\mathcal{P}} b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = r_l \oplus h_L = \begin{cases} h_L \oplus h_L = 0 & \text{if } \alpha_l = 0 \Leftrightarrow \nu \text{'s sibling is off-path} \\ 1 \oplus h_L \oplus h_L = 1 & \text{if } \alpha_l = 1 \Leftrightarrow \nu \text{'s sibling is on-path} \end{cases}$$

where we used (7) to replace r_l conditioned on whether $\alpha_l = 0$ or $\alpha_l = 1$. The argument for the "right" sibling control bits $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$ mirrors the above argument, since $\sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} = \sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$ (as per (19)) and $\{(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}})\}_{\mathcal{P}} = \{(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}})\}_{\mathcal{P}}$ (as per (2)).

On-Path Control Bits $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$.

Looking at formula (11) for generating the on-path control bits $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}\}$ on ν :

$$\sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = \sum_{\mathcal{P}} \left(c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} \cdot t_{l} \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \right)$$
$$= t_{l} \cdot \sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} \oplus \left(\left(\widehat{H}_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}}) \right) \oplus \left(\widehat{H}_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \right) \oplus \left(\widehat{H}_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus \widehat{H}_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \right) \right)$$
$$= \begin{cases} t_{l} \oplus \widehat{h}_{L} \text{ if } \mu \text{ is on-path} \\ 0 & \text{ if } \mu \text{ is off-path} \end{cases}$$
(18)

where we have used in (18) that $\sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} = 1$ if parent node μ is *on-path* and otherwise the sum equals zero (as per (3)); and from (2) that:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \widehat{H}_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus \widehat{H}_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{H}_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus \widehat{H}_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{H}_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus \widehat{H}_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{cases} \widehat{H}_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_1})) \oplus \widehat{H}_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2})) \oplus \widehat{H}_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})) \oplus \widehat{H}_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \end{pmatrix} = \widehat{h}_L & \text{if } \mu \text{ is on-path} \\ 0 & \text{if } \mu \text{ is off-path} \end{cases}$$

Thus, if μ is off-path, then both ν and its sibling are also off-path, and $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ satisfies the requisite property of (3). Meanwhile, if μ is on-path, then exactly one of ν or its sibling is on-path. Namely, since we are in the case that ν is the *left* child of μ , then ν is on-path if and only if $\alpha_l = 0$. In particular if μ is on-path:

$$\sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = t_l \oplus \widehat{h}_L = \begin{cases} 1 \oplus \widehat{h}_L \oplus \widehat{h}_L = 1 & \text{if } \alpha_l = 0 \Leftrightarrow \nu \text{ is on-path} \\ \widehat{h}_L \oplus \widehat{h}_L = 0 & \text{if } \alpha_l = 1 \Leftrightarrow \nu \text{ is off-path} \end{cases}$$

where we used (7) to replace t_l conditioned on whether $\alpha_l = 0$ or $\alpha_l = 1$. The argument for the "right" sibling control bits $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$ mirrors the above argument, since $\sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} = \sum_{\mathcal{P}} c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$ (as per (19)) and $\{(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}})\}_{\mathcal{P}} = \{(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}})\}_{\mathcal{P}}$ (as per (2)).

Seeds $\{x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}.$

Demonstrating that the formulas for the next-level seeds in (12) - (13) maintain the seed invariants of (2) is straightforward, but requires a case analysis based on whether the current node is on-path or off-path. Because this case analysis is quite long and is not particularly insightful, we have relegated the argument to Appendix B.

Case 2: ν is the right child of μ .

We omit the details of this case from this version. However, the argument is essentially identical, making the symmetric replacements of $H_L \to H_R$, $r_l \to s_l$, and $t_l \to u_l$.

Consistency. That the protocol of Section 4.3 satisfies the Consistency property of CNF-FSS (see Definition 2) requires showing, among other things, that for each $\mathcal{P} \in [3]$ and for each $\hat{P} := \mathcal{P}_R$, that the control bits observe CNF-sharing:

$$b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = b_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$$

$$c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = c_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$$
(19)

In other words, (19) is emphasizing that the formulas for $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$ and $c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$ in (the bottom equations of) (10) and (11) generate the same bits as (the top equations of) the corresponding formulas for $b_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$ and $c_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$ in (10) and (11), for $\widehat{\mathcal{P}} = \mathcal{P}_R$. For example, when computing the bottom formulas of (10) and (11) for $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}_1$, the

values output there (which are for $\mathcal{P}_R = \mathcal{P}_2$) match the values that are output for key \mathcal{P}_2 in (the top part of) the equations (10) and (11).

We make an inductive argument to demonstrate CNF-sharing of the control bits (as per (19)) holds for all nodes ν . At the root, (19) is true by construction of values $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ and $\{c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ in Step 1 of the **Gen** algorithm. Now for any non-root node ν , let μ denote its parent, and assume that (19); we use the formulas in (10) and (11) to demonstrate that (19) also holds for ν . To fix notation, fix $\mathcal{P} \in [3]$, and let $\widehat{\mathcal{P}} = \mathcal{P}_R$ denote the *right* key of \mathcal{P} .

<u>Case 1: μ is off-path</u>. In the Correctness argument above, we demonstrated that (2) is satisfied for the seeds on every node. Since μ is off-path: $x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} = z_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$, $y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} = x_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$, and $z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} = y_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$. Plugging in these relations into (10) for $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R}$:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \underline{\mathrm{If}\ \nu\ \mathrm{is}\ \mathit{left}\ \mathrm{child}\ \mathrm{of}\ \mu}: & b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} \cdot r_{l} \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{L}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \\ & = c_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}} \cdot r_{l} \oplus H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}) \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}) = b_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}} \\ \underline{\mathrm{If}\ \nu\ \mathrm{is}\ \mathit{right}\ \mathrm{child}\ \mathrm{of}\ \mu}: & b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} \cdot s_{l} \oplus H_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{R}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \\ & = c_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}} \cdot s_{l} \oplus H_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}) \oplus H_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}) = b_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}} \end{array}$$

where we have applied the inductive argument that $c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = c_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$ for parent node μ for the center equality of each case above.

<u>Case 2: μ is *on-path*</u>. Since μ is on-path: $z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} = x_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$ and $y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}} = y_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$. Plugging in these relations into (10) for $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}$:

$$\underbrace{ \begin{array}{ll} \underline{\text{If } \nu \text{ is } \textit{left child of } \mu \text{:} } \\ c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} \cdot r_{l} \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{L}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \\ = c_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}} \cdot r_{l} \oplus H_{L}(y_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}) \oplus H_{L}(x_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}) = b_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}} \\ \underline{\text{If } \nu \text{ is } \textit{right child of } \mu \text{:} } \\ b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} = c_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}} \cdot s_{l} \oplus H_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus H_{R}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \\ = c_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}} \cdot s_{l} \oplus H_{R}(y_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}) \oplus H_{R}(x_{\mu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}) = b_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}} \end{array}$$

The argument that $c_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_R} = c_{\nu}^{\widehat{\mathcal{P}}}$ is analogous, replacing r_l with t_l , s_l with u_l , and PRG H with \widehat{H} .

With (19) verified, the Consistency property follows immediately from the invariants of (2), both for the case ν is on-path (i.e. $\beta = \alpha$) and ν is off-path (i.e. $\beta \neq \alpha$); see (14).

Security. We omit the full proof from this version. However, we provide a sketch of the proof here, which captures the intuition of the argument.

We argue that the components of any Gen key $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}(\text{see }(9))$ are independent from each other and either truly random or masked with pseudorandom values whose seeds are known only to other parties (and not to party \mathcal{P}). In fact, the information of $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}$ related to the root node is randomly chosen, and the information related to the other levels of the tree is masked using pseudorandom values not known to \mathcal{P} . Based on this, a simulator that simply outputs random values according to the key structure will satisfy Definition 2, which we recall here (updated for our case of security threshold t = 1):

$$\left\{ \{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \operatorname{Gen}(1^{\lambda}, f) : \kappa_i \right\} \approx_C \left\{ \kappa \leftarrow_R \operatorname{Sim}(1^{\lambda}, D, \mathbb{G}) \right\}.$$
(20)

The proof follows an inductive argument (on the depth of the binary tree), and argues that assuming a simulator that outputs random values satisfies (20) for depth l - 1, the extra values output by Gen in (9) for level l do not threaten the validity of the same simulator (i.e. one that is simply outputting random values) for the extra layer of the tree. More concretely, we will demonstrate the existence of a related simulator:

$$\left\{ \left\{ \kappa^{\mathcal{P}_1}, \kappa^{\mathcal{P}_2}, \kappa^{\mathcal{P}_3} \right\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1^{\lambda}, f_{(\alpha)_l, v}) : (\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}, \left\{ x_{\nu_l}^{\mathcal{P}_L} \right\}) \right\} \approx_C \\ \left\{ \left(\kappa, \left\{ x_1, \dots, x_l \right\} \right) \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Sim}(1^{\lambda}, D, \mathbb{G}) \right\},$$
 (21)

where $(\alpha)_l$ is the prefix string of α of length l, ν_l refers to the on-path node at level l, and $\{x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_L}\}$ refer to the seed values x that are associated with the key $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}_L}$ to the *left* of the provided key $\kappa^{\mathcal{P},21}$ The reason that the existence of a simulator as per (21) (and more specifically, where this simulator simply outputs random values as per the structure of $(\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}, \{x_{\nu_l}^{\mathcal{P}_L}\}))$ implies the existence of a simulator as per (20) is based on the formulas dictating how the **Gen** algorithm computes the extra seed values on level l: $\{\kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}, \{\hat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}, \{r_l, s_l, t_l, u_l\}$. Namely, investigating the formulas for these extra values on level l ((4), (5), (6), and (7)), each formula has a term involving $x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_L}$ for the value of $x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_L}$ on node μ on level l-1, and consequently as long as the value of $x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_L}$ on parent level l-1 cannot be distinguished from uniform, the new **Gen** key values on level l: $\{\kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}, \{\hat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}, \{r_l, s_l, t_l, u_l\}$ will also be indistinguishable from uniform.

We proceed with an inductive argument, demonstrating that all the values output by the Gen algorithm respect the security invariant, and then demonstrate how the security invariant implies that all values output by the Gen algorithm appear uniformly random (and independent of one another).

- <u>Step 1: Values at Root</u>. The seeds $\{x^{\mathcal{P}}, y^{\mathcal{P}}, z^{\mathcal{P}}\}\$ are chosen uniformly at random (subject to the constraint in (2), i.e. that there is a single common seed $y^{\mathcal{P}}$ that is common across all three keys, and that the other two seeds of each key overlap with exactly one of the seeds from each of the other two keys) and, in particular, the seeds are chosen independently from the point function $f_{\alpha,v}$ parameters, α and v. Similarly, the sibling control bits $\{b^{\mathcal{P}}, b^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}\$ and on-path control bits $\{c^{\mathcal{P}}, c^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}\$ are also chosen uniformly at random (subject to the constraint in (3)) and independently from the parameters α and v. Notice that the security invariant of (21) is clearly observed for the

²¹ Note that (21) is motivated by the CNF-sharing of the keys (or more precisely, the seeds), whereby each key $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}$ has overlapping information from one of the other keys (in this case $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}_R}$), but is missing information from the third key (in this case $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}_L}$). In particular, this is why it is the seed of the *left* key $x^{\mathcal{P}_L}$ that is referenced in (21), as well as in (4) and (5).

seeds on the root node, since $x^{\mathcal{P}_L}$ is truly random from the perspective of information in $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}$.

- Step 2.i: For each $1 \le l \le \log(N)$: MS-DPF⁺ keys $\{\kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}}, \hat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}\}$.

Note that the security of the underlying MS-DPF⁺ schemes for f_l and \hat{f}_l ensure that $\{v_l^{\mathcal{P}_L}, v_l^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$ and $\{\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_L}, \hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}$ cannot be distinguished from random even for someone holding $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}$ (and thus holding $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}_l$ and $\hat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}}$, which in particular reveals $v_l^{\mathcal{P}} = (v_L^{\mathcal{P}}, v_R^{\mathcal{P}})$ and $\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}}$; see (4) - (5)). To see that $v_l^{\mathcal{P}} = (v_L^{\mathcal{P}}, v_R^{\mathcal{P}})$ and/or $\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}}$ do not leak information about parameters α or v, note that (5) indicates that $\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}}$ is uniformly random, and then (4) plus the Security Invariant (21) indicates that $v_l^{\mathcal{P}} = (v_L^{\mathcal{P}}, v_R^{\mathcal{P}})$ also appears uniformly random. Furthermore, pseudorandomness of G implies that there is no dependency between $v_l^{\mathcal{P}} = (v_L^{\mathcal{P}}, v_R^{\mathcal{P}})$ and $\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}}$ (nor between either of these values and any other values included in **Gen** key $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}$).

- Step 2.ii: For each $1 \leq l \leq \log(N)$: Correction Bits $\{r_l, s_l, t_l, u_l\}$. As can be seen in (7), each correction bit depends on one of the values $\{h_L, h_R, \hat{h}_L, \hat{h}_R\}$, and each of these values in turn appears uniformly random as per the Security Invariant (21) applied to node μ (see (6)). Furthermore, pseudorandomness of H, \hat{H} implies that there is no dependency between the correction bit values and any other values dealt as part of the Gen key $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}$. - Step 3: Final Correction Word CW.

While $CW = v \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\widehat{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\widehat{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus \widehat{G}(x_{\widehat{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus \widehat{G}(y_{\widehat{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_1})$ involves the secret parameter v, the Security Invariant applied to on-path leaf node $\widehat{\nu}$ implies that CW contains a term that cannot be distinguished from random by \mathcal{P} , and therefore v remains completely hidden. Furthermore, pseudorandomness of \widehat{G} implies that there is no dependency between CW and any other values dealt as part of the **Gen** key $\kappa^{\mathcal{P}}$.

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A Building Blocks: Variants of Standard DPF

In this section, we formally define the variants of DPF that were introduced (informally) in Definitions 5 - 7.

Definition 9 Matching Share DPF (MS-DPF). A^{22} 1-out-of-p Matching Share Distributed Point Function (MS-DPF) scheme for the class of functions²³ $\mathcal{F} = \{f_{\alpha,v} : D \to \mathbb{G}\}$ with input domain D and output domain an abelian group $(\mathbb{G}, +)$ is a pair of PPT algorithms MS-DPF = (Gen, Eval) with syntax:

- Gen $(1^{\lambda}, f)$: On input the security parameter λ and a description of a function $f \in \mathcal{F}$, outputs p keys: $\{\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_p\}$.
- Eval (i, κ_i, β) : On input an index $i \in [p]$, key κ_i , and input string $\beta \in D$, outputs a value $y_i \in \mathbb{G}$.

satisfying the following correctness and secrecy requirements:

Correctness.

(i) For all $f_{\alpha,v} \in \mathcal{F}$, at input point $\alpha \in D$:

$$1 = Pr\left[\{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1, f) : \sum_{i=1}^p \mathsf{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha) = f_{\alpha, v}(\alpha) = v\right]$$

(ii) For all $f_{\alpha,v} \in \mathcal{F}$, at input point $\beta \in D$ (for $\beta \neq \alpha$):

$$1 = \Pr[\{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1^{\lambda}, f) : \mathsf{Eval}(1, \kappa_1, \beta) = \dots = \mathsf{Eval}(p, \kappa_p, \beta)]$$

Security. For any index $i \in [p]$, there exists a PPT simulator Sim such that for any polynomial-size function sequence $f_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{F}$, the following distributions are computationally indistinguishable:

$$\left\{\{\kappa_1,\ldots,\kappa_p\}\leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1^\lambda,f) \ : \ \kappa_i\right\} \ \approx_C \ \left\{\kappa\leftarrow_R \mathsf{Sim}(1^\lambda,D,\mathbb{G})\right\}$$

²³ As mentioned in Remark 3, Matching Share DPF is not technically a distributed point function, since the actual function being shared by the *p* parties is random (and unspecified) at all points in the domain except the special point α . Indeed, notice that the Correctness property does not make a statement about what the actual reconstructed value $f(\beta) = \sum_{\mathcal{P}} \mathsf{Eval}(\mathcal{P}, \kappa^{\mathcal{P}}, \beta)$ must equal when $\beta \neq \alpha$; only that the individual shares $\{\mathsf{Eval}(\mathcal{P}, \kappa^{\mathcal{P}}, \beta)\}$ must equal each other.

²² Since MS-DPF has each party's Eval shares equal one another at every domain point except the non-zero evaluation point y, this immediately implies that MS-DPF cannot possibly achieve greater than 1-out-of-p security.

Claim 10 Assuming OWF, there exists a (1,3)-MS-DPF scheme with complexity $O(\lambda \log(N))$.

Proof. We observe that 3-Party MS-DPF can be readily obtained from invoking a 2-Party DPF protocol three times.²⁴ Namely, let $\{\kappa_1, \hat{\kappa}_1\}, \{\kappa_2, \hat{\kappa}_2\}, \text{ and } \{\kappa_3, \hat{\kappa}_3\}$ denote the Keys output by the **Gen** algorithm of three separate invocations of 2-Party DPF for three functions $f_{\alpha,v_1}, f_{\alpha,v_2}, f_{\alpha,v_3}$ (these functions have same non-zero point α in the domain, but three different and randomly chosen range values at that point: $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$). Then specify the **Gen** algorithm for 3-Party MS-DPF for $f_{\alpha,v}$ to output $\{\kappa_1, \hat{\kappa}_2, \hat{\kappa}_3\}$ to Party 1, $\{\hat{\kappa}_1, \kappa_2, \hat{\kappa}_3\}$ to Party 2, and $\{\hat{\kappa}_1, \hat{\kappa}_2, \kappa_3\}$ to Party 3, and then additionally give each player the value $z := v \oplus v_1 \oplus v_2 \oplus v_3 \oplus \text{Eval}(3, \hat{\kappa}_1, \alpha) \oplus \text{Eval}(1, \hat{\kappa}_2, \alpha) \oplus \text{Eval}(2, \hat{\kappa}_3, \alpha) = v \oplus \text{Eval}(3, \kappa_1, \alpha) \oplus \text{Eval}(1, \kappa_2, \alpha) \oplus \text{Eval}(2, \kappa_3, \alpha)$. Define the Eval algorithm to be the same as the 2-Party DPF Eval algorithm applied to each of a party's three keys, and then summing these three outputs together with z:

 $\underbrace{ \underline{\operatorname{Party 1}}}_{\text{Party 1}} : \operatorname{Eval}(1, (\kappa_1, \widehat{\kappa}_2, \widehat{\kappa}_3), \beta) := \operatorname{Eval}(1, \kappa_1, \beta) \oplus \operatorname{Eval}(1, \widehat{\kappa}_2, \beta) \oplus \operatorname{Eval}(1, \widehat{\kappa}_3, \beta) \oplus z \\ \underline{\underline{\operatorname{Party 2}}} : \operatorname{Eval}(2, (\widehat{\kappa}_1, \kappa_2, \widehat{\kappa}_3), \beta) := \operatorname{Eval}(2, \widehat{\kappa}_1, \beta) \oplus \operatorname{Eval}(2, \kappa_2, \beta) \oplus \operatorname{Eval}(2, \widehat{\kappa}_3, \beta) \oplus z \\ \underline{\underline{\operatorname{Party 3}}} : \operatorname{Eval}(3, (\widehat{\kappa}_1, \widehat{\kappa}_2, \kappa_3), \beta) := \operatorname{Eval}(3, \widehat{\kappa}_1, \beta) \oplus \operatorname{Eval}(3, \widehat{\kappa}_2, \beta) \oplus \operatorname{Eval}(3, \kappa_3, \beta) \oplus z \\ \end{array}$

Correctness follows from the fact that DPF \equiv MS-DPF in the two party setting, and thus if $\beta \neq \alpha$ in the equations above, then every term on the RHS matches the corresponding term above/below it; and for $\beta = \alpha$, the sum of the first terms on the RHS is $v_1 \oplus \text{Eval}(3, \hat{\kappa}_1, \alpha)$, the sum of the second terms is $v_2 \oplus \text{Eval}(1, \hat{\kappa}_2, \alpha)$, the sum of the third terms is $v_3 \oplus \text{Eval}(2, \hat{\kappa}_3, \alpha)$, and the sum of the last term is z, which cancels everything except the desired output v. Meanwhile, Security follows from the Security of the underlying 1out-of-2 DPF scheme, together with the fact that the extra information z = $v \oplus \text{Eval}(3, \kappa_1, \alpha) \oplus \text{Eval}(1, \kappa_2, \alpha) \oplus \text{Eval}(2, \kappa_3, \alpha)$ dealt to each party looks uniformly random (and leaks nothing about position v), since at least one term²⁵ in {Eval}(3, \kappa_1, \alpha), \text{Eval}(1, \kappa_2, \alpha), \text{Eval}(2, \kappa_3, \alpha)} is unknown (and appears uniformly random) to each party.

Note that the above construction of 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF from (three invocations of) 1-out-of-2 DPF has asymptotic communication cost the same as the underlying 1-out-of-2 DPF scheme, and so e.g. using the original 1-out-of-2 protocol of [BGI15] results in a $O(\lambda \log(N))$ communication scheme for 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF.

Next we provide a formal definition of DPF^+ (informally this was Definition 6).

²⁴ Alternatively, 3-Party MS-DPF can also be readily obtained from invoking 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF; however, for the parameters for which we'll need MS-DPF, it will be more efficient to derive it from 1-out-of-2 DPF in the manner described above.

²⁵ In reality, for any index $i \in [3]$, there are exactly two unknown terms in the set $\{\mathsf{Eval}(3, \kappa_1, \alpha), \mathsf{Eval}(1, \kappa_2, \alpha), \mathsf{Eval}(2, \kappa_3, \alpha)\}.$

Definition 11 (**DPF**⁺) A t-out-of-p Distributed Point Function with Per-Party Target Values (DPF⁺) scheme for the class of point functions $\mathcal{F} = \{f_{\alpha,\{v_i\}_i} : D \to \mathbb{G}\}$ with input domain D and p specified values $\{v_i\}$ in the output domain of an abelian group (\mathbb{G} , +) is a pair of PPT algorithms DPF⁺ = (Gen, Eval) with the following syntax:

- Gen $(1^{\lambda}, f)$:²⁶ On input the security parameter λ and a description of a function $f \in \mathcal{F}$, outputs p keys: $\{\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_p\}$.
- Eval (i, κ_i, β) : On input an index $i \in [p]$, key κ_i , and input string $\beta \in D$, outputs a value $y_i \in \mathbb{G}$.

satisfying the following correctness and secrecy requirements:

Correctness.

(i) For all $f_{\alpha,\{v_i\}} \in \mathcal{F}$, $i \in [p]$, at input point $\alpha \in D$:

$$1 = \Pr[\{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1^{\lambda}, f) : \mathsf{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha) = v_i]$$

(ii) For all $f_{\alpha,\{v_i\}} \in \mathcal{F}$, at input point $\beta \in D$:

$$1 = Pr\left[\{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1, f) : \sum_{i=1}^p \mathsf{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \beta) = f(\beta) \right]$$

Security. For any subset of indices up to size $t: \mathcal{I} \subset [p]$, there exists a PPT simulator Sim such that for any polynomial-size function sequence $f_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{F}$, the following distributions are computationally indistinguishable:

$$\{ \{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1, f_{\alpha, \{v_i\}}) : \{\kappa_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \} \approx_C \\ \{ \{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_{|\mathcal{I}|}\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Sim}(1, D, \mathbb{G}, \{v_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}) \}$$

Observe that in order to satisfy the Security definition, the target values $\{v_i\}$ must be chosen from a suitably random/unknown distribution; for example, if $\{v_i\}$ come from a low-entropy distribution that the parties know, then they can perform a guess-and-check attack to gain information about DPF location α .

Claim 12 Assuming OWF, there exists a (1,3)-DPF⁺ scheme for target values $\{v_i\} \leftarrow_R U_{\lambda}$ with complexity $O(\lambda \log(N))$.

Proof. We observe that for parameters t = 1 and p = 3, a standard 1-out-of-3 DPF protocol for point function $f_{\alpha,v}$ can be trivially converted into a 1-out-of-3 DPF^+ protocol for point function f_{α,v_1,v_2,v_3} (where $v := v_1 \oplus v_2 \oplus v_3$ for values $\{v_i\}$ chosen from a uniform random distribution) with extra communication O(m) simply by updating the **Gen** algorithm to additionally include a value $z_i \in \mathbb{G}$ with each key κ_i defined as $z_i := \text{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha) \oplus v_i$, and then updating the Eval algorithm to add z_i to the original $\text{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \beta)$ output share. Note that

²⁶ Implicit in providing $f = f_{\alpha, \{v_i\}_i}$ to the Gen algorithm is that the *p* target values $\{v_i\}_{i=1}^p$ are provided to Gen.

this doesn't affect Correctness because $\sum_{i=1}^{3} z_i = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \mathsf{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha) \oplus \sum_{i=1}^{3} v_i = v \oplus v = 0$; and Security is readily reduced to the Security of the underlying 1-out-of-3 DPF protocol for $f_{\alpha, v=v1\oplus v2\oplus v3}$.

Note that the above construction of 1-out-of-3 DPF⁺ from 1-out-of-3 DPF has asymptotic communication cost the same as the underlying 1-out-of-3 DPF scheme. Since any 1-out-of-3 DPF scheme can be trivially built from a 1-outof-2 DPF scheme (either by making one parties' shares always zero, or just running the 1-out-of-2 scheme three times, once for each pair of parties), and so e.g. using the original 1-out-of-2 protocol of [BGI15] results in a $O(\lambda \log(N))$ communication scheme for 1-out-of-3 DPF⁺.

Lastly, we provide the formal definition of $MS - DPF^+$ (informally this was Definition 7), which is simply a combination of the above two variants.

Definition 13 (MS – DPF⁺) A 1-out-of-p Distributed Point Function with Per-Party Target Values (MS-DPF⁺) scheme for the class of functions $\mathcal{F} = \{f_{\alpha}, \{v_i\}_i : D \to \mathbb{G}\}$ with input domain D and p specified values $\{v_i\}$ in the output domain of an abelian group (\mathbb{G} , +) is a pair of PPT algorithms MS-DPF⁺ = (Gen, Eval) with the following syntax:

- Gen $(1^{\lambda}, f)$.²⁷ On input the security parameter λ and a description of a function $f \in \mathcal{F}$, outputs p keys: $\{\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_p\}$.
- $\mathsf{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \beta)$: On input an index $i \in [p]$, key κ_i , and input string $\beta \in D$, outputs a value $y_i \in \mathbb{G}$.

satisfying the following correctness and secrecy requirements:

Correctness.

(i) For all $f_{\alpha,\{v_i\}} \in \mathcal{F}$, $i \in [p]$, at input point $\alpha \in D$:

$$1 = Pr[\{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1^{\lambda}, f) : \mathsf{Eval}(i, \kappa_i, \alpha) = v_i]$$

(ii) For all $f_{\alpha,\{v_i\}} \in \mathcal{F}$, at input point $\beta \in D$ (for $\beta \neq \alpha$):

$$1 = Pr[\{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1, f) : \mathsf{Eval}(1, \kappa_1, \beta) = \dots = \mathsf{Eval}(p, \kappa_p, \beta)]$$

Security. For any subset of indices up to size $t: \mathcal{I} \subset [p]$, there exists a PPT simulator Sim such that for any polynomial-size function sequence $f_{\lambda} \in \mathcal{F}$, the following distributions are computationally indistinguishable:

$$\left\{ \{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_p\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Gen}(1^{\lambda}, f_{\alpha, \{v_i\}}) : \{\kappa_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \right\} \approx_C \left\{ \{\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_{|\mathcal{I}|}\} \leftarrow_R \mathsf{Sim}(1^{\lambda}, D, \mathbb{G}) \right\}$$

Claim 14 Assuming OWF, there exists a (1,3)-MS-DPF⁺ scheme with complexity $O(\lambda \log(N))$.

²⁷ Implicit in providing $f = f_{\alpha, \{v_i\}_i}$ to the Gen algorithm is that the *p* target values $\{v_i\}_{i=1}^p$ are provided to Gen.

Proof. We observe that 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺ can be readily obtained from 1-outof-3 MS-DPF in the same way that 1-out-of-3 DPF⁺ is obtained from (ordinary) 1-out-of-3 DPF, namely by dealing an appropriate value $z_i \in \{0, 1\}^m$ with each key κ_i . Thus, constructing 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺ in this way (starting from 1out-of-3 MS-DPF and then dealing the extra values to convert it into 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺) has asymptotic communication cost the same as the underlying 1out-of-3 MS-DPF scheme, which as discussed above is $O(\lambda \log(N))$.

B Case Analysis of Correctness for 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF of Section 4

We prove the new seed values on ν , computed as per (12)-(13), obey (2) by doing a case analysis, broken down by ν 's location (on-path, sibling is on-path, both self and sibling are off-path), as well as on the $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{R}}\}$ values on ν . Before proceeding, recall the notation for $w_{*}^{\mathcal{P}}$: the first (respectively last) λ bits of $\mathsf{Eval}(\kappa_{l}^{\mathcal{P}}, \nu)$) if ν is the left (respectively right) child of its parent.

<u>Case A:</u> μ is off-path. Because μ is off-path, it does *not* correspond to the DPF index $(\alpha)_{l-1}$ (respectively $(\alpha)_l$) of MS-DPF⁺ function f_l (respectively \hat{f}_l), and therefore $w_*^{\mathcal{P}_1} = w_*^{\mathcal{P}_2} = w_*^{\mathcal{P}_3}$ and $\hat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1} = \hat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2} = \hat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}$ (by definition of f_l and \hat{f}_l ; see Step 2 of the **Gen** algorithm), and so we write simply w_* and \hat{w}_{ν} . Also, since μ is off-path, so is ν and its sibling, and thus by the invariant of (3), we have that $\sum_{\mathcal{P}} b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = 0$. Thus, there are four possibilities for the values of $(b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}, b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})$: (0,0,0), (0,1,1), (1,0,1), or (1,1,0). We do a case-analysis just of the first two; the latter two are similar to the second:

Case A.1: $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\} = (0, 0, 0)$. Thus, all parties use (13) for their seed formulas; and using $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = 0$ for e.g. $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}_1$:

$$x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}} = \begin{cases} G_{*}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu} = z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} \\ G_{*}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu} = y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}} \end{cases}$$
$$y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}} = \begin{cases} G_{*}(z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu} = z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} \\ G_{*}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu} = z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}} \end{cases}$$
$$z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}} = \begin{cases} G_{*}(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu} = y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} \\ G_{*}(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}}) \oplus \widehat{w}_{\nu} = x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}} \end{cases}$$
(22)

Thus, (22) demonstrates that (2) is satisfied for the seed values on ν , as required.

Case A.2: $\{b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}\} = (0, 1, 1)$. This case is similar to the above case, except Parties 1 and 3 use (12) for their seed formulas, while Party 2 uses (13)

Case B: ν is on-path. Thus:

$$w_*^{\mathcal{P}} = \begin{cases} v_L^{\mathcal{P}} = q_l \oplus \delta_l \cdot (G_R(x_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus G_R(y_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus p_l) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is the } left \text{ child} \\ v_R^{\mathcal{P}} = q_l \oplus \delta_l \cdot (G_L(x_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus G_L(y_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus p_l) & \text{if } \nu \text{ is the } right \text{ child} \end{cases}$$
(23)

where $\delta \in \{0, 1\}$ is zero if and only if $0 = b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1} = b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2} = b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}$, and where $\{p_l, q_l\}$ are uniform random values chosen for each level $1 \leq l \leq \log(N)$. Also, ν is on path means:

$$\widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = \widehat{v}_{l}^{\mathcal{P}} = \begin{cases} p_{l} & \text{if } b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = 0\\ q_{l} & \text{if } b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}} = 1 \end{cases}$$
(24)

We omit the remainder of Case B from this version. However, the spirit of the argument is similar to Case A above, where we use the invariants of (2) and (3) together with the above formulas for $w_*^{\mathcal{P}}$ and $\widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}$ in (23)-(24), and proceed through the formulas for the new seed values in (12)-(13) to demonstrate the seed invariants of (2) remain valid on node ν .

Case C: μ is on-path, ν is off-path. Thus, ν 's sibling is on-path, and thus:

$$w_*^{\mathcal{P}} = \begin{cases} v_L^{\mathcal{P}} = G_L(x_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus G_L(y_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \text{ if } \nu \text{ is the } left \text{ child} \\ v_R^{\mathcal{P}} = G_R(x_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \oplus G_R(y_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_L}) \text{ if } \nu \text{ is the } right \text{ child} \end{cases}$$
(25)

Also, ν is off-path means:

$$\widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}} = \widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} = \widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}.$$
(26)

We omit the remainder of Case C from this version. However, the spirit of the argument is similar to Case A above, where we use the invariants of (2) and (3) together with the above formulas for $w_*^{\mathcal{P}}$ and $\widehat{w}_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}$ in (25)-(26), and proceed through the formulas for the new seed values in (12)-(13) to demonstrate the seed invariants of (2) remain valid on node ν .

C Distributed 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF

Recall the Gen keys of the 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF protocol has form:

$$\kappa^{\mathcal{P}} := \left(\{ x^{\mathcal{P}}, y^{\mathcal{P}}, z^{\mathcal{P}} \}, \ \{ b^{\mathcal{P}}, b^{\mathcal{P}_R}, c^{\mathcal{P}}, c^{\mathcal{P}_R} \}, \ CW \\ \forall 1 \le l \le \log(N) : \ \{ \kappa_l^{\mathcal{P}} \}, \ \{ \widehat{\kappa}_l^{\mathcal{P}} \}, \ \{ r_l, s_l, t_l, u_l \} \right)$$
(27)

We show how to distributively generate each of the components in the following section, where as input we assume the parties hold shares of:

<u>DPF location</u> α : Shared both additively (modulo domain size $N := |\mathbb{G}|$) as: $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \pmod{N}$ and via bitwise-XOR (on the binary representation of $\alpha = \alpha_{\log N} \dots \alpha_1$), whereby each bit l of the binary representation is 3-way XOR secret shared as: $\alpha_l = \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_3}$.

<u>DPF value v</u>: XOR shared (over \mathbb{Z}_2^B , for B = |v|) as: $v = v_1 \oplus v_2 \oplus v_3$.

As output, the three parties should hold their portion of the Gen key that is output by the original 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF protocol (see equation (9) in "CNF and its Applications"). In particular, for each $i \in [1..3]$, party \mathcal{P}_i has as input values $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{G}$ and $v_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2^B$ such that: $\sum_i \alpha_i = \alpha$ and $\sum_i v_i = v$, where the first sum is over the group operation $(\mathbb{G}, +)$ and the second sum is standard (XOR/bitwise) addition over \mathbb{Z}_2^B . For simplicity, we'll consider the case that $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{Z}_N$, so that α is additively/algebraically shared over \mathbb{Z}_N .

The strategy will be to demonstrate how each component of the Gen keys in equation (9) can be generated in a distributed manner. As it turns out, the only difficult components are the keys $\{\kappa_l\}$ and $\{\hat{\kappa}_l\}$ corresponding to the various MS-DPF⁺ functions (see equations (4) and (5)). So we'll describe the process for generating those keys first (in Section C.1), and then do the rest of the components in Section C.2.

C.1 Generating the MS-DPF⁺ Keys

In this section, we demonstrate how to make an arbitrary 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺ protocol *distributed*. We do this step-by-step, by building distributed protocols for each of the following:

- Distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF
- Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF
- Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺

For the final point, recall that MS-DPF⁺ (for three parties) has three target values: $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$, such that $\mathsf{Eval}(\kappa_i, \alpha) = v_i$. Thus, instead of having a single target value v (which is the case for ordinary DPF and MS-DPF), there are *three* target values. So in the distributed setting, there is a natural question of how these three values are shared amongst the three parties. Notice that we cannot allow Party \mathcal{P}_i to know the value v_i , since this leaks the DPF position α . Instead, we define distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺ as declaring that the $\{v_i\}$ values are shared as protocol inputs between the two other parties; that is, as input, each value v_i is secret-shared amongst the two parties \mathcal{P}_i for $j \neq i$.

Distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF We demonstrate how to convert the original 1out-of-2 DPF protocol of [BGI15] into a distributed protocol. So as input, three parties share DPF location $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \pmod{N}$ and value $v = v_1 \oplus v_2$. As output, they hold DPF keys for $f_{\alpha,v}$.

The construction follows the construction of [BGI15]. The only challenge will be generating the Correction Words and Correction Bits at each level l. So let's fix a level $l \in [1..\log(N)]$ (though where convenient, we'll suppress subscript lin notation below for readability), and recall:

$$CW := \begin{cases} G_R(s) \oplus G_R(\widehat{s}) & \text{if } \alpha_l = 0\\ G_L(s) \oplus G_L(\widehat{s}) & \text{if } \alpha_l = 1 \end{cases}$$

Thus, in the distributed setting, in order to deal the correction words, the two tasks are: (i) Generate values $(G_R(s) \oplus G_R(\widehat{s}) \text{ and } (G_L(s) \oplus G_L(\widehat{s}));$ and (ii) correctly pick between these two as the actual CW. We achieve these tasks as follows:

- 1. As input, assume that the bits (path) of α has been XOR secret-shared amongst the players. That is, for bit α_l , each player \mathcal{P} has a bit $\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}}$ such that: $\alpha_l = \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}$.
- 2. Each player \mathcal{P} sums G_L and G_R applied to their seeds for every node ν on level l:

$$t_L^{\mathcal{P}} := \sum_{\nu} G_L(s_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}})$$
$$t_R^{\mathcal{P}} := \sum_{\nu} G_R(s_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}})$$

3. Player 1 forms 1-out-of-2 OT_λ secrets $(s_0^{\mathcal{P}_1}, s_1^{\mathcal{P}_1})$ as follows:

$$(s_0^{\mathcal{P}_1}, s_1^{\mathcal{P}_1}) = \begin{cases} (t_R^{\mathcal{P}_1}, t_L^{\mathcal{P}_1}) & \text{if } \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} = 0\\ (t_L^{\mathcal{P}_1}, t_R^{\mathcal{P}_1}) & \text{if } \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} = 1 \end{cases}$$
(28)

4. Player 2 acts as 1-out-of-2 OT_{λ} client with selection bit $\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}$. Notice that the result of this OT is that Player 2 has retrieved secret $s_{\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}}$:

$$s_{\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}} = \begin{cases} t_R^{\mathcal{P}_1} & \text{if } \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} = 0\\ t_L^{\mathcal{P}_1} & \text{if } \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} = 1 \end{cases}$$

5. Player 2 acts as 1-out-of-2 OT_{λ} Server with secrets $(s_0^{\mathcal{P}_2}, s_1^{\mathcal{P}_2})$ as follows:

$$(s_0^{\mathcal{P}_2}, s_1^{\mathcal{P}_2}) = (s_{\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}}, s_{\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2}}) \oplus \begin{cases} (t_R^{\mathcal{P}_2}, t_L^{\mathcal{P}_2}) & \text{if } \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} = 0\\ (t_L^{\mathcal{P}_2}, t_R^{\mathcal{P}_2}) & \text{if } \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} = 1 \end{cases}$$
(29)

6. Player 1 acts as 1-out-of-2 OT_{λ} client with selection bit $\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}$. Notice that the result of this OT is that Player 1 has retrieved secret $s_{\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}}$:

$$CW := s_{\alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}} = \begin{cases} t_R^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus t_R^{\mathcal{P}_2} & \text{if } \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} = 0\\ t_L^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus t_L^{\mathcal{P}_2} & \text{if } \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus \alpha_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} = 1 \end{cases}$$
(30)

7. The above process got the CW to Player 1; to get it to Player 2, we can either re-do Steps 3-6 with the roles reversed, or we can simply have Player 1 publish (send to Player 2) CW.

The key point that we utilized above is that we can write $t_L^{\mathcal{P}}$ and $t_R^{\mathcal{P}}$ as:

$$t_L^{\mathcal{P}} = \sum_{\nu} G_L(s_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}) = G_L(s_{\tilde{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \sum_{\nu \neq \tilde{\nu}} G_L(s_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}})$$
$$t_R^{\mathcal{P}} = \sum_{\nu} G_R(s_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}) = G_R(s_{\tilde{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus \sum_{\nu \neq \tilde{\nu}} G_R(s_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}})$$

where $\tilde{\nu}$ denotes the on-path node on level l. Then, since $s_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1} = s_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}$ for all $\nu \neq \tilde{\nu}$ (where $\tilde{\nu} = \tilde{\nu}_l$ denotes the on-path node at level l), we have that: $t_L^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus t_L^{\mathcal{P}_2} =$ $G_L(s_{\tilde{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus G_L(s_{\tilde{\nu}}^{\mathcal{P}_2})$ and similarly for $t_R^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus t_R^{\mathcal{P}_2}$, and hence the CW as defined in (30) is correct.

The above describes how to generate the Correction Words at each level. The Correction Bits are handled similarly. Recall that unlike the Correction Words, in which there is just one CW per level, there are two Correction Bits generated: one to be used for left-children, and one for right-children. The Correction Bits will satisfy:

$$c_L := H_L(s) \oplus H_L(\widehat{s}) \oplus \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \alpha_l = 0\\ 0 & \text{if } \alpha_l = 1 \end{cases}$$
$$c_R := H_R(s) \oplus H_R(\widehat{s}) \oplus \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \alpha_l = 0\\ 1 & \text{if } \alpha_l = 1 \end{cases}$$
(31)

where we have used the notation $G = (G_L, H_L, G_R, H_R)$ to split out the left and right output bits (subscript "L" vs. "R") and also the first λ bits versus the last bit ("G" vs. "H"). Thus, we can do a similar trick as above, where each party computes the XOR-sums of H_L and H_R for all their seeds at level l, and then have the players engage in an analogous sequence of OTs to generate the correct Correction Bit values.

Cost of Distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF. Summing up the costs in Steps 1-7 above:

<u>Computation</u>: $O(2^n)$ <u>Communication</u>: $O(\lambda + \lambda')$ bits, and O(n) rounds

where $n = |\alpha|$ denotes the number of bits in α (which equals the depth of the binary tree), and λ' denotes the security parameter for the 1-out-of-2 OT_{λ} protocol.

Aside 1. Depending on the setting in which this distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF scheme will be used, there may be a desire to implement it differently to achieve different communication/computation costs. For example, notice that the high computation cost comes from Step 2. While having an exponential computation cost (in $n = |\alpha|$) is prohibitive for large α , we note that the setting in which this protocol would be used as a subprotocol of [BKKO20] already has exponential computation cost in $|\alpha|$, so this would not add any asymptotic overhead.

Conversely, in other settings, reducing from O(n) round complexity to e.g. constant-round may be desirable, even if it inflates other metrics (overall communication and/or computation). For example, there is a straightforward transformation of the above procedure that would result in communication that is constant round but exponential $O(2^n)$ in number of bytes transferred.

Aside 2. Because tradition (non-distributed) DPF/FSS protocols typically have

a non-interactive Eval algorithm, we have preserved this property for the distributed protocol presented above. However, notice that Gen algorithm of the Distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF protocol above is very much interactive. This begs the two questions: (i) Is there a way to do distributed Gen *without* interaction; and (ii) If we allow for interactive Eval, can we achieve better overall communication/computation metrics?

Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF With the distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF protocol described above, we can apply the same process that was used to get (ordinary/non-distributed) 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF from 1-out-of-2 DPF: Namely, just run the distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF protocol three times.

To be more precise, again assume inputs: Party \mathcal{P}_i holds $\{\alpha_i, v_i\}$ such that DPF location $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3$ (arithmetic modulo DPF domain size \mathbb{G}) and DPF value $v = v_1 \oplus v_2 \oplus v_3$ (XOR shared over \mathbb{Z}_2^B).

Then, as described in the proof of Claim 10 in Section A, we first run distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF whereby Party 1 acts "as his own" party, while Parties 2 and 3 will get identical information. Thus, for the first run, we first rerandomize the sharing of α and v into two shares, where Party 1 knows one share for each (say (α'_1, v'_1)), and Parties 2 and 3 both hold the opposite share (say (α'_2, v'_2)). Then we run the Distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF protocol described above, where Parties 2 and 3 each act as the second party (either in separate protocols, or just have one of them engage in the protocol with Party 1, and have that party forward his entire view to the third party). Now, repeat this process (in the obvious manner) two more times, alternating which party acts "as his own" party.

Cost of Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF. Since this invokes the Distributed 1-out-of-2 DPF protocol three times, the asymptotics are the same:

<u>Computation</u>: $O(2^n)$ <u>Communication</u>: $O(\lambda + \lambda')$ bits, and O(n) rounds

Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺ As noted above, we assume that the MS-DPF⁺ target values $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ are inputs to the protocol, such that v_i is shared between the two parties who are *not* \mathcal{P}_i .

Recall that for the ordinary (non-distributed) scenario, MS-DPF can be extended to MS-DPF⁺ simply by having the Dealer send to each party $i: z_i :=$ $\mathsf{Eval}(\kappa_i, \alpha) \oplus v_i$. We can do the identical thing in the distributed setting, provided we have a way for the other two parties to be able to generate (shares of) the quantity z_i ; then the other two parties can simulate the Dealer and send \mathcal{P}_i (shares of) z_i . Thus, we just need a mechanism for e.g. Parties 2 and 3 to compute (shares of) z_1 . And since \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 already share v_1 (as protocol input), we need only demonstrate how \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 can generate shares of $\mathsf{Eval}(\kappa_i, \alpha)$. So assume as each party \mathcal{P} has inputs $\{\alpha^{\mathcal{P}}, v_L^{\mathcal{P}}, v_R^{\mathcal{P}}\}$ such that:

$$\alpha = \alpha^{\mathcal{P}_1} + \alpha^{\mathcal{P}_2} + \alpha^{\mathcal{P}_3} \pmod{N}$$
$$v_1 = v_L^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus v_R^{\mathcal{P}_3}$$
$$v_2 = v_L^{\mathcal{P}_3} \oplus v_R^{\mathcal{P}_1}$$
$$v_3 = v_L^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus v_R^{\mathcal{P}_2}$$

Notice that if each party adds their two "v" shares together: $v^{\mathcal{P}} := v_L^{\mathcal{P}} \oplus v_R^{\mathcal{P}}$, the parties have a sharing of $v = v^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus v^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus v^{\mathcal{P}_3}$. Thus, we first instruct the three parties to run distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF using secret location α and value v. As output of this MS-DPF protocol, each party has a **Gen** key that would produce, on a call to **EvalAll**:

Party 1:
$$(a_1, a_2, ..., d_1, ..., a_N)$$

Party 2: $(a_1, a_2, ..., d_2, ..., a_N)$
Party 3: $(a_1, a_2, ..., d_3, ..., a_N)$

such that a_i (for $i \neq \alpha$) is the same for all three parties, and $d_1 \oplus d_2 \oplus d_3 = v = v^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus v^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus v^{\mathcal{P}_3}$.

Notice that $\{d_1, d_2, d_3\}$ are random (subject to the constraint that they sum to $v = v^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus v^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus v^{\mathcal{P}_3}$). Recall that the goal is to have e.g. Parties 2 and 3 share $\mathsf{Eval}(\kappa_i, \alpha) = d_1$. This is essentially a shared-input PIR problem, and as such there are a handful of PIR protocols that can achieve this. For the sake of completion, we present a solution here which is less efficient but simple, (and the lack of efficiency does not impact the asymptotics of the overall protocol). Namely, for each party \mathcal{P}_i define the quantity:

$$A_i := \bigoplus_j \mathsf{Eval}(\kappa_i, j) \tag{32}$$

Notice that, e.g.: $A_2 \oplus A_3 = d_2 \oplus d_3$, since all terms in the summand cancel except these. Now we specify that \mathcal{P}_1 chooses a random r_1 , and sends r_1 to \mathcal{P}_2 and sends $v_L^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus v_R^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus r_1$ to \mathcal{P}_3 . Notice now that \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 share d_1 via:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_2' \text{ share:} \quad d_1^{\mathcal{P}_2} &:= v_L^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus v_R^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus r_1 \oplus A_2 \\ \mathcal{P}_3' \text{ share:} \quad d_1^{\mathcal{P}_3} &:= v_L^{\mathcal{P}_3} \oplus v_R^{\mathcal{P}_3} \oplus (v_L^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus v_R^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus r_1) \oplus A_3 \end{aligned}$$

Notice that, as desired, $d_1 = d_1^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus d_1^{\mathcal{P}_3}$, since:

$$d_{1}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} \oplus d_{1}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}} = (v_{L}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} \oplus v_{R}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} \oplus r_{1} \oplus A_{2}) \oplus (v_{L}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}} \oplus v_{R}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}} \oplus (v_{L}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}} \oplus v_{R}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}} \oplus r_{1}) \oplus A_{3})$$

$$= (v_{L}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}} \oplus v_{R}^{\mathcal{P}_{1}} \oplus v_{L}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} \oplus v_{R}^{\mathcal{P}_{2}} \oplus v_{L}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}} \oplus v_{R}^{\mathcal{P}_{3}}) \oplus (A_{2} \oplus A_{3}) \oplus (r_{1} \oplus r_{1})$$

$$= v \oplus d_{2} \oplus d_{3}$$

$$= d_{1}$$
(33)

Cost of Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺. The two dominating contributors to the cost of this protocol is the use of Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF, and the computation required to compute the sum in (32). Since the latter has computation cost $N = 2^n$, the cost of Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺ matches the cost of Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF:

<u>Computation</u>: $O(2^n)$ <u>Communication</u>: $O(\lambda + \lambda')$ bits, and O(n) rounds

where $n = |\alpha|$ denotes the number of bits in α (which equals the depth of the binary tree), and λ' denotes the security parameter for the 1-out-of-2 OT_{λ} protocol.

Putting it Together: Distributed Gen for our 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF The section above demonstrated how to achieve Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺, assuming the input condition that the $\{v_i\}$ values are shared amongst the three parties: namely, that for each v_i , the other two parties know (shares of) v_i . This present section demonstrates how to achieve this input condition.

There are two MS-DPF⁺ protocols used in the Gen algorithm described in Section 4.3, and thus we must demonstrate how the $\{v_i\}$ are shared for each of them. E.g. for each of the two relevant MS-DPF⁺ functions, we need to show how \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 can be (distributively) dealt (shares of) $v_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}$ and $\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}$.

First, recall that for both MS-DPF⁺ functions, the original (non-distributed) protocol specified that random λ -bit strings $\{p_l, q_l\}$ are chosen by the Dealer. So first, we have players distributively generate random values $\{p_l, q_l\}$ by having each party \mathcal{P}_i choose random values $\{p_l^{\mathcal{P}_i}, q_l^{\mathcal{P}_i}\}$, and then defining:

$$p_l := p_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus p_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus p_l^{\mathcal{P}_3}$$
$$q_l := q_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} \oplus q_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} \oplus q_l^{\mathcal{P}_3}$$

We begin with describing how to deal shares of $\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}$. First, notice that the condition of choosing p_l versus q_l for $\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}$ depends on $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}$. Since the unique on-path node $\nu = \nu_l$ on level l is unknown to the players, we use the 2-server SISO-PIR protocol (see Section C.3), where we leverage the fact that players have a copy of their right-partner's control bits b, and therefore we define the PIR database to be $\{b_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}\}_{\mu}$, and notice that \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 will act as the PIR database servers, with shared selection point: $(\alpha)_l = ((\alpha)_l^{\mathcal{P}_1} + r_2 + r_3) + ((\alpha)_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} + (\alpha)_l^{\mathcal{P}_3} - r_2 - r_3)$, where e.g. \mathcal{P}_2 has chosen a random r_2 and sent r_2 to \mathcal{P}_1 and sent $((\alpha)_l^{\mathcal{P}_2} - r_2)$ to \mathcal{P}_3 (and ditto for \mathcal{P}_3 choosing random r_3). At the end of this protocol, the three players share $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}$. We can now run 1-out-of-2 SISO OT $_{\lambda}$ (see Section C.3), with selection bit $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}$ and secret values $\{p_l, q_l\}$, to give players \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 shares of $\hat{v}_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}$, as desired.

We now describe how \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 can generate shares of $v_l^{\mathcal{P}_1}$. To do this, we will run 1-out-of-4 SISO OT_{λ} (see Section C.3), with selection bits α_l and δ_l , and secrets: $\{G_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})\oplus G_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}), G_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})\oplus G_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}), q_l, q_l \oplus G_R(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})\oplus G_R(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})\oplus p_l\}$. Thus, it remains to show how to generate each of these values:

 $-\alpha_l$: This is secret-shared amongst the three parties as part of the Input.

- $-\delta_l$: Above we described how $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}$ could be obtained (via shares). Repeat that process for $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}$ and $b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}$. We now have computation: $\delta_l = 1 \oplus (b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1} * b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2} * b_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1})$. Thus, this can be viewed as a two-gate AND circuit and run through a standard GMW-style MPC computation (see e.g. [Gol09]), so that as output parties have shares of δ_1 .
- $-q_l$: Parties have this by construction (they each generated a share of q_l).
- $-G_L(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus G_L(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})$: We leverage that for all nodes ν on the parent level:

$$G_L(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus G_L(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) = G_L(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus G_L(z_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2})$$
(34)

This is because:

If $\nu = \mu$ is the on-path node: $x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3} = z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}$ and $y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3} = y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}$ If $\nu \neq \mu$ is an off-path node: $x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3} = y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}$ and $y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3} = z_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}$ Therefore, we run the 2-server SISO-PIR protocol (see Section C.3), where players \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 act as the database servers (with values $\{G_L(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus$ $G_L(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})$, and input location is $(\alpha)_{l-1}$.

 $q_l \oplus p_l \oplus G_R(x_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus G_R(y_\mu^{\mathcal{P}_3})$: Since parties have shares of q_l and p_l , it remains to show how they can generate shares of $G_R(x_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus G_R(y_{\mu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})$, which is analogous to the previous step (with $G_L(\cdot)$ replaced with $G_R(\cdot)$).

C.2Generating the Remaining Components

It is straightforward to describe how the values at the root of the tree, seeds $\{x^{\mathcal{P}}, y^{\mathcal{P}}, z^{\mathcal{P}}\}\$ and control bits $\{b^{\mathcal{P}}, b^{\mathcal{P}_R}, c^{\mathcal{P}}, c^{\mathcal{P}_R}\}\$, can be dealt in a distributed manner. Also, for each level $1 \leq l \leq \log(N)$, the correction bits $\{r_l, s_l, t_l, u_l\}$ can be handled similarly to how the MS-DPF⁺ keys were dealt: first run a 2server SISO PIR protocol to generate (shares of) the values in (6), and then run 1-out-of-2 SISO OT_2 to generate (shares of) the correction bit values as per (7).

It remains to show how to distribute the final correction word CW. Notice:

$$CW = v \oplus G(x^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus G(x^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus G(x^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus G(y^{\mathcal{P}_1})$$

$$= (v_1 \oplus v_2 \oplus v_3) \oplus (G(x^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus G(x^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus G(x^{\mathcal{P}_3})) \oplus$$

$$(G(y^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus G(y^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus G(y^{\mathcal{P}_3})) \oplus \sum_{\mathcal{P}, \nu \neq \widetilde{\nu}} (G(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}}) \oplus G(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}})))$$

$$= \left[v_1 \oplus \sum_{\nu} (G(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1}) \oplus G(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_1})) \right] \oplus \left[v_2 \oplus \sum_{\nu} (G(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}) \oplus G(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_2}))) \right] \oplus$$

$$\left[v_3 \oplus \sum_{\nu} (G(x_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3}) \oplus G(y_{\nu}^{\mathcal{P}_3})) \right]$$
(35)

where we have used in the second equality that $G(y^{\mathcal{P}_2}) = G(y^{\mathcal{P}_3})$ and that the sum over both seed values over all three parties and all off-path nodes is zero (every term appears exactly twice and hence cancels); see (2). Notice the final line of (35) shows how CW is shared amongst the three parties.

Cost of Distributed 1-out-of-3 CNF-DPF. The dominating contributor to the cost of this protocol is running the Distributed 1-out-of-3 MS-DPF⁺ protocol (twice). Thus:

<u>Computation</u>: $O(2^n)$ Communication: $O(\lambda + \lambda')$ bits, and O(n) rounds

where $n = |\alpha|$ denotes the number of bits in α (which equals the depth of the binary tree), and λ' denotes the security parameter for the 1-out-of-2 OT_{λ} protocol.

C.3 Building Blocks

In this section, for completeness we describe SISO-PIR and SISO-OT functionalities, and provide pointers to sample implementations.

2-Server SISO-PIR.

Setup. Two "database" servers have identical copies of a database D, viewed as an array of N elements, each element of size |v|. There is a third "client" party.

Input. An index $i \in [1..N]$ is secret-shared, with the client party holding one share and both database servers holding the other share.

Output. Value D[i] is secret-shared, with the client party holding one share, and both database servers holding the other share.

There are several implementations of the above described functionality, see for example [IKLO16].

1-out-of-2 SISO-OT_{λ}.

Setup. There are "server" parties, and one "client" party.

Input. There are two secret values s_0 , s_1 each of λ bits. Each secret is secretshared, with each server party holding one share. There is a selection bit b, which is secret-shared, with the client holding one share, and each server party holding the other share.

<u>Output</u>. Secret s_b is secret-shared, with the client holding one share, and each server party holding the other share.

There are several implementations of the above described functionality, see for example [FLO19]. Observe that 1-out-of-4 SISO-OT can be readily obtained from 1-out-of-2 SISO-OT (the same reduction for (ordinary) 1-out-of-4 OT from 1-out-of-2 OT can be applied here).