Minimizing Setup in Broadcast-Optimal Two Round MPC

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Abstract. In this paper we consider two-round secure computation protocols which use different communication channels in different rounds: namely, protocols where broadcast is available in neither round, both rounds, only the first round, or only the second round. The prior works of Cohen, Garay and Zikas (Eurocrypt 2020) and Damgård, Magri, Ravi, Siniscalchi and Yakoubov (Crypto 2021) give tight characterizations of which security guarantees are achievable for various thresholds in each of the communication structures.

In this paper, we determine what is possible in the honest majority setting without a PKI, closing a question left open by Damgård *et al.* We show that without a PKI, having an honest majority does not make it possible to achieve stronger security guarantees compared to the dishonest majority setting. However, if two thirds of the parties are guaranteed to be honest, *identifiable abort* is additionally achievable using broadcast only in the second round.

We use fundamentally different techniques from the previous works in order to avoid relying on private communication in the first round when a PKI is not available, since assuming such private channels without the availability of public encryption keys is unrealistic. We also show that, somewhat surprisingly, the availability of private channels in the first round does not enable stronger security guarantees unless the corruption threshold is one. In that case, prior work has shown that with private channels in the first round, guaranteed output delivery is always achievable; we show that without these channels, fairness is unachievable even with broadcast in both rounds, and unanimous abort is unachievable without broadcast in the second round.

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1 Introduction

It is known that secure computation is possible in two rounds (whereas one round is clearly not enough). However, most known two-round protocols either only achieve the weakest security guarantee (selective abort) [ACGJ19], or make use of a broadcast channel in both rounds [GLS15]. Implementing broadcast via a protocol among the parties makes no sense in this setting, as the resulting protocol would require much more than two rounds. However, broadcast can also be done using physical assumptions or external services such as blockchains. This typically means that broadcast is expensive and/or slow, so it is important to try to minimize the usage of broadcast (while achieving as strong a security guarantee as possible).

Before discussing previous work in this direction and our contribution, we establish some useful termonology.

1.1 Terminology

In this work, we categorize protocols in terms of (a) the kinds of communication required in each round, (b) the security guarantees they achieve, (c) the setup they require, and (d) the corruption threshold t they support. We will use shorthand for all of these classifications to make our discussions less cumbersome.

Communication Structure We refer to protocols that use two rounds of broadcast as BC-BC; protocols that use broadcast in the first round only as BC-P2P; protocols that use broadcast in the second round only as P2P-BC; and protocols that don't use broadcast at all as P2P-P2P.

Note that, when no PKI is available, it is not realistic to assume *private* channels in the first round since it is unclear how such private channels would be realized in practice without public keys. Therefore, in what follows, "P2P" in the first round refers to *open* peer-to-peer channels which an adversary can listen in on – unless we explicitly state otherwise. We do assume the availability of private channels in the second round, since one can broadcast (or send over

peer-to-peer channels) an encryption under a public key received in the first round.

Security Guarantees There are five notions of security that a secure computation protocol could hope to achieve, described informally below.

Selective Abort (SA): A secure computation protocol achieves *selective abort* if every honest party either obtains the output, or aborts.

Unanimous Abort (UA): A secure computation protocol achieves *unanimous abort* if either *all* honest parties obtain the output, or they all (unanimously) abort.

Identifiable Abort (IA): A secure computation protocol achieves *identifiable abort* if either all honest parties obtain the output, or they all (unanimously) abort, *identifying one corrupt party*.

Fairness (FAIR): A secure computation protocol achieves *fairness* if either all parties obtain the output, or none of them do. In particular, an adversary cannot learn the output if the honest parties do not also learn it.

Guaranteed Output Delivery (GOD): A secure computation protocol achieves *guaranteed output delivery* if all honest parties will learn the computation output no matter what the adversary does.

Selective abort is the weakest notion of security, and is implied by all the others; guaranteed output delivery is the strongest, and implies all the others. (Notably, fairness and identifiable abort are incomparable.)

Setup The following forms of setup, from strongest to weakest, are commonly considered in the MPC literature:

Correlated randomness (CR), where the parties are given input-independent secrets which may be correlated,

A public key infrastructure (PKI), where each party has an independent honestly generated public-secret key pair where the public key is known to everyone, and

A common reference string (CRS), where no per-party information is available, but a single trusted reference string is given.

We focus on protocols that only use a CRS, which is the weakest form of setup (except for the extreme case of no setup at all). To make our prose more readable, when talking about e.g. a secure computation protocol that achieves security with identifiable abort given a CRS and uses broadcast in the second round only, we will refer to it as a P2P-BC, IA, CRS protocol. If we additionally want to specify the corruption threshold t to be x, we call it a P2P-BC, IA, CRS, $t \leq x$ protocol.

1.2 Prior Work

Cohen, Garay and Zikas [CGZ20] initiated the study of two-round secure computation with broadcast available in one, but not both, rounds. They showed that, in the P2P-BC setting, UA is possible even given a dishonest majority, and that it is the strongest achievable guarantee in this setting. They also showed that, in the BC-P2P setting, SA is the strongest achievable security guarantee given a dishonest majority.

The subsequent work by Damgård, Magri, Ravi, Siniscalchi and Yakoubov $[DMR^+21]$ continued this line of inquiry, focusing on the honest majority setting. They showed that given an honest majority, in the P2P-BC setting IA is achievable (but fairness is not), and in the BC-P2P setting, the strongest security guarantee — GOD — is achievable.

The constructions of Cohen *et al.* do not explicitly use a PKI, but they do rely on private communication in the first round, which in practice requires a PKI, as discussed above. The constructions of Damgård *et al.* rely on a PKI even more heavily. The natural open question therefore is: what can be done assuming no PKI — only a CRS, and no private communication in the first round?

We note that the recent work of Goel, Jain, Prabhakaran and Raghunath [GJPR21] considers instead the plain model or the availability only of a bare PKI. They show that in plain model, in the absence of private channels, no secure computation is possible even given an honest majority. Further, given broadcast (in both rounds) IA is impossible in the plain model, while the strongest guarantee of GOD is feasible in the bare PKI model (where it is assumed that corrupt parties may generate their public key maliciously). Our model is incomparable to that of Goel *et al.* since we consider the availability of a CRS, and communication patterns where broadcast is limited to one of the two rounds.

1.3 Our Contributions

In this work, we answer the above question by completely characterizing what can be done in two rounds assuming only a CRS and no private communication in round 1.

We first make a relatively simple observation, showing that the positive results from Cohen *et al.* still hold, even without private communication in the first round. We then show that assuming only a CRS, an honest majority does not give much of an advantage over a dishonest majority: regardless of the corruption threshold, UA is the strongest possible guarantee in the P2P-BC setting (Theorem 1), and SA is strongest possible guarantee in the BC-P2P setting (Theorem 2).³ However, if at least two thirds of the parties are honest, in the P2P-BC setting IA is additionally possible (Theorem 7). To show this we give a construction based on a new primitive called *one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries* (adapted from one-or-nothing secret sharing [DMR⁺21]), which may be of independent interest.

Most of our lower bounds hold even given private communication in the first round; however, our constructions do not require it. This shows that surprisingly,

³Given an additional round of communication instead of a PKI, things look different; Badrinarayanan *et al.* [BMMR21] study broadcast-optimal *three*-round MPC with GOD given an honest majority and CRS, and show that GOD is achievable in the BC-BC-P2P setting.

in most cases, having private communication in the first round cannot help achieve stronger guarantees.

The one exception is the case where the adversary can only corrupt one party (that is, t = 1); for t = 1 and $n \ge 4$, guaranteed output delivery can be achieved given private channels in the first round [IKP10,IKKP15] even when broadcast is completely unavailable. However, we show that without private channels in the first round, fairness (and thus also guaranteed output delivery) is unachievable (Cor 2), even if broadcast is available in both rounds. We also show that without private channels in the first round, if broadcast is unavailable in the second round, selective abort is the only achievable guarantee (Cor 1).

We summarize our findings in Table 1, and the special case of t = 1 in Table 2.

1.4 Technical Overview

In Section 1.4.1, we summarize our lower bounds; in Section 1.4.2, we summarize our construction.

1.4.1 Lower Bounds In Section 3, we describe our four lower bounds, which use slightly different techniques. Importantly, our first two lower bounds hold even if private channels are available in the first round, in contrast to our constructions which avoid the use of private channels before the parties had a chance to exchange public keys.

In the proof of Theorem 1, we show that in any hypothetical P2P-BC, IA, CRS protocol, an adversary who controls just a third of the parties can split the honest parties into two disjoint sets S_0 and S_1 , and by sending first-round messages based on input x_0 to S_0 and based on x_1 to S_1 , obtain two different outputs: both use the fixed inputs of the honest parties, but one uses x_0 as the corrupt parties' input, and one uses x_1 . Allowing the adversary to learn the output on two different sets of corrupt party inputs (together with the same set of honest party inputs) is clearly a violation of security.

In the proof of Theorem 2, we show that in any hypothetical BC-P2P, UA, CRS protocol, an adversary who is able to control just two parties is able to perform an even more powerful attack: after execution, she is able to recompute the function output locally on corrupt party inputs of her choice (together with the same fixed set of honest party inputs). This is called a *residual function attack*.

When t = 1, we show that the availability of private channels makes a difference. When private channels are available in the first round, the strongest guarantee — guaranteed output delivery — is known to be achievable as long as $n \ge 4$ [IKP10,IKKP15]. However, we show that without private channels in the first round, the landscape is quite different. In this setting, an adversary can observe all messages sent by an honest party P in the first round; so, those first-round messages cannot suffice to compute the function on P's input — P's second-round messages are crucially necessary for this. If P's first-round messages were enough, the adversary would be able to mount a residual function

Broadcast Pattern R1 R2		t	Selective Abort (SA)	Unanimous Abort (UA)	Identifiable Abort (IA)	Fairness (FAIR)	Guaranteed Output Delivery (GOD)
BC	BC		1	1	✓[CGZ20] w.m.c	✗ [Cle86]	×
P2P	BC	$\frac{n}{2} \le t < n$	1	✓[CGZ20] w.m.c	✗ [CGZ20]	×	×
BC	P2P		✓ .	✗ [CGZ20]	×	*	¥
P2P	P2P		∠ [CGZ20] w.m.c	× _	X	*	*
BC	BC		1	1	✓[CGZ20] w.m.c	↓ ▼[PR18,GLS15]	×
P2P	BC	$\frac{n}{3} \le t < \frac{n}{2}$	✓	✓[CGZ20] w.m. c	✗ (Theorem 1)	×	\longrightarrow ×
BC	P2P	-	$\checkmark \leftarrow$	X [PR18]	×	✗ [PR18,G LS15]	$\longrightarrow X$
P2P	P2P		✓[CGZ20] w.m.c	× — ↓	★ [€L14]	X ↓	—≭[¹ ⁄ _₽ SP82]
BC	BC	n	1	1	✓[CGZ20] w.m.c	$ \texttt{K} \text{ for } t > 1 \\ [\text{GIKR02}] $	X for $t > 1$
P2P	BC		✓ ←	✓[CGZ20] w.m.c	\checkmark (Theorem 7)	X for $t \ge 1$	$ \stackrel{\rightarrow}{\longrightarrow} \mathbf{X} \text{ for } t > 1 $
BC	P2P	^v \ <u>3</u>	✓ ↑	$\begin{array}{l} \bigstar \text{ for } t > 1 - \\ (\text{Theorem 2}) \end{array}$	$\longrightarrow \mathbf{X} \text{ for } t > 1$	X for $t > 1$ -[GIKR02]	$\rightarrow \mathbf{X}$ for $t > 1$
P2P	P2P		✓[CGZ20] w.m.c	$\begin{array}{l} \bigstar \text{ for } t > 1 \\ [\text{DMR}^+ 21] \end{array}$	$\longrightarrow \mathbf{X}$ for $t > 1$	X for $t > 1 -$	$\rightarrow \mathbf{X}$ for $t > 1$

The General Case

Table 1: Feasibility and impossibility for two-round MPC with different guarantees and broadcast patterns when only a CRS is available (but no PKI or correlated randomness). The R1 column describes whether broadcast is available in round 1; the R2 column describes whether broadcast is available in round 2. (In our constructions, round 1 communications are not private. However, in the work of Cohen *et al.* [CGZ20] and other prior work, they often are; we write "w.m.c." ("with minor changes") to denote minor changes to the construction of Cohen *et al.* to eliminate the use of private channels in the first round of their construction, as described in Section 1.4.3. The only case where the availability of private channels in the first round enables greater security is in the case where t = 1; Table 2 describes this case.

Arrows indicate implication: the possibility of a stronger security guarantee implies the possibility of weaker ones in the same setting, and the impossibility of a weaker guarantee implies the impossibility of stronger ones in the same setting. Beige table cells are lower bounds; green table cells are upper bounds.

Broadcast Pattern R1 R2		t	Selective Abort (SA)	Unanimous Abort (UA)	Identifiable Abort (IA)	Fairness (FAIR)	Guaranteed Output Delivery (GOD)	
Without Private Channels in Round 1:								
BC	BC	t = 1, n > 1	Table 1	Table 1	Table 1	X Cor 2 −−−	$\longrightarrow \mathbf{X}$	
P2P	BC		Table 1	Table 1	Table 1	×	$\longrightarrow X$	
BC	P2P		Table 1	X Cor 1 —	$\longrightarrow \mathbf{X}$	X Cor 1, 2 —	$\longrightarrow \mathbf{X}$	
P2P	P2P		Table 1	× —	$\longrightarrow X$	× —	→ X	
With Private Channels in Round 1:								
Any		t = 1, n = 4		└── ✓ <──	— ✔[IKKP15]	✓ ←	→ ✔[IKKP15]	
		$t=1,n\geq 5$	$\checkmark \leftarrow$	└── ✓ ←──	✔[IKP10]	✓ ←	\rightarrow \checkmark [IKP10]	

The t = 1 Case

Table 2: Feasibility and impossibility for two-round MPC with different guarantees and broadcast patterns when only a CRS is available, when t = 1. We refer to Table 1 for the cases already covered therein.

attack: given P's first-round messages, the adversary would be able to compute the function on P's input (along with inputs of her choice on behalf of the other parties) in her head, by simulating all the other parties. However, if we aim for either unanimous abort (without use of broadcast in the second round) or fairness, we can also argue that P's second-round messages *cannot* be necessary. If we would like to achieve unanimous abort without use of broadcast in the second round, it is important that the adversary not be able to break unanimity by sending different second-round messages to different parties. If we would like to achieve fairness, it is similarly important that the adversary not be able to deny the honest parties access to the output by withholding her second-round messages. So, to achieve either of those goals, the second-round message both must and cannot matter; we thus rule out BC-P2P, UA, CRS protocols (Cor 1) and BC-BC, FAIR, CRS protocols (Cor 2) when no private channels are available in the first round.

1.4.2 Upper Bounds In Section 5, we give a P2P-BC, IA, CRS, $t < \frac{n}{3}$ construction (Figure 5.1). Our construction builds on the construction of Damgård *et al.* [DMR⁺21] (which, in turn, builds on the construction of Cohen *et al.* [CGZ20]). Like those prior works, we take a protocol that requires two rounds of broadcast, and compile it. Since broadcast is only available in the second round, the key is to ensure that a corrupt party can't break the security of the underlying protocol by sending inconsistent messages to different honest parties in the first round. The solution is to delay computation of the second round messages until parties are sure they agree on what was said in the first round.

Following previous work, we do this by having each party G garble her secondmessage function (which takes as input all the first-round messages that party expects to receive) and broadcast that garbled circuit in the second round. Gadditionally secret shares all of the labels for her garbled circuit. We can get identifiable abort from this if we make sure that one of two things happen: (a) sufficiently many parties receive a given first-round message bit coming from a sender S, implying that the label corresponding to that bit is reconstructed (unanimously, over broadcast); or (b) someone is unanimously identified as a cheater. (Of course, two labels for the same input wire should never be reconstructed, since this would compromise the security of the garbled circuit scheme.)

To achieve this, Damgård *et al.* introduce (and use in their construction) the notion of *one-or-nothing secret sharing*. Unfortunately, this primitive crucially relies on a PKI: in the second round, each player must be able to prove that she received a certain message from S in the first round (or abstain if she received nothing). Given a PKI, this can be done by having S sign her first-round messages. Of course, without a PKI, this cannot work as there is no time to agree on public keys.

Therefore, without a PKI, we need a different approach. The approach we use is instead to check in the second round whether there is sufficient consensus among the parties about what S sent in the first round, and only reconstruct the corresponding labels if this is the case. To this end, we define a new primitive in the CRS model called *one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries*. In such a scheme, each garbler G performs two layers of Shamir sharing: first, each label is shared, creating for each party R a share s_R . Second, each s_R is shared among all parties. Everyone now acts as intermediaries, and passes their sub-shares of s_R on to R in the second round. This ensures that a corrupt G cannot fail to deliver a share to R, since G cannot fail to communicate with more than t intermediaries without being identified. Simultaneously, each participant R broadcasts a message enabling the public recovery of only the label share corresponding to what she received from S in the first round. Enough shares for a given label are only recoverable if enough participants received the same bit from S, implicitly implementing the consensus check we mentioned above.

There is one final caveat we need to take care of: the standard network model assumes peer-to-peer "open" channels where the adversary can observe all messages sent. With a PKI, we can make use of private channels (even in the first round), by using public-key encryption. However, in the absence of a PKI, this makes little sense, so we should *not* use private channels in the first round. Under this constraint we cannot send shares of secrets in the first round. So, we need to figure out a way for G to send sub-shares of R's share s_R to intermediaries, and for intermediaries to pass these sub-shares on to R, in a *single* round of broadcast.

The approach we use is as follows: in the second round, for each sub-share of s_{R} intended for intermediary I , G will broadcast an encryption c of that sub-share, under a public key received from I in the first round. Simultaneously, I passes on all of sub-shares to R by broadcasting *transfer keys*. Depending on which value

should be decrypted, R broadcasts the relevant decryption key which enables the recovery of the corresponding plaintext. We informally refer to this approach as *transferrable encryption*, where a party is able to transfer decryption capabilities to another, even without first seeing the ciphertext in question.

The P2P-BC, IA, CRS, 3t < n construction following the above blueprint is formalized in Figure 5.1.

Modifying Prior P2P-BC Constructions The work of Cohen et al. 1.4.3 gives a construction in the P2P-BC and P2P-P2P settings that uses only a CRS (not a PKI); however, they use private communication in the first round. We observe that we can modify their construction in a straightforward way to only use *public* peer-to-peer communication in the first round, which is more realistic without a PKI. Their construction is a compiler, and in the first round, two things are sent: messages from the underlying construction; and (full-threshold) secret shares of garbled circuit labels, which need to be communicated privately, and which are then selectively published in the second round. Let's pick an underlying construction that uses public communication only (as e.g. the construction of [GS18]). Now, to avoid private communication in the first round, we modify the protocol to delay secret sharing until the second round. Instead, the only additional thing the parties do in the first round is exchange public encryption keys. Like in our construction (described above), it might look like delaying secret sharing poses a problem, since the share recipients need to broadcast the relevant shares to enable output recovery, but if they only receive their shares in the second (last) round, they don't have time to do this. So, we have the share sender G encrypt each share meant for receiver R under a one-time public key belonging to R. Simultaneously, R will publish the corresponding secret key if and only if she wishes to enable the reconstruction of that label.⁴ In this way, the same guarantees can be achieved without using private communication in the first round.

1.4.4 Broadcast Complexity In the previous two works, no attempt was made to minimize the broadcast overhead of the compilers. They all require the broadcast of garbled second-message functions, the size of which often scales with the complexity of the function computed, which is potentially large. We observe that a generic broadcast optimization (which is folklore, and has appeared in some previous work [HR14,GP16,CCD⁺20]) can be applied to any message which is already known to the sender in the first round, but need not be broadcast until the second round. Using this optimization, the size of the additional broadcasts that our compiler — and the compilers of Cohen *et al.* and Damgård *et al.*—requires becomes independent of the size of the function being computed.

⁴Note that the full power of our one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries is not necessary here; in our construction, we only require two levels of sharing and intermediaries in order to achieve *identifiable* abort, while this construction aims only for selective and unanimous abort in the two different settings respectively.

The broadcast optimization is quite straightforward. It enables reliable broadcast of arbitrarily long messages, while only sending fixed-length messages over the broadcast channel in the second round. The dealer sends its message to all the recipients over peer-to-peer channels in the first round. Each recipient then echos the message it received over peer-to-peer channels in the second round. Finally, in the second round, each party also broadcasts a hash of the message. If there exists a majority of parties who broadcast the same hash h, then each honest party outputs a pre-image of h. (Each party must have received a pre-image of h because at least one of the broadcasters of h must be honest.) Otherwise, honest parties blame the dealer. Only hashes are sent over the broadcast channel, and the size of those hashes is independent of the size of the message.

Finally, we note that when applying this optimization to our construction, and that of Cohen *et al.* and Damgård *et al.*, garbled circuits which were previously not broadcast until the second round are now sent (over peer-to-peer channels) in the first round. This necessitates the use of adaptive garbled circuits⁵.

2 Secure Multiparty Computation (MPC) Definitions

2.1 Security Model

We follow the real/ideal world simulation paradigm and we adopt the security model of Cohen, Garay and Zikas [CGZ20]. As in their work, we state our results in a stand-alone setting.⁶

Real-world. An *n*-party protocol $\Pi = (P_1, \ldots, P_n)$ is an *n*-tuple of probabilistic polynomial-time (PPT) interactive Turing machines (ITMs), where each party P_i is initialized with input $x_i \in \{0, 1\}^*$ and random coins $r_i \in \{0, 1\}^*$. We let \mathcal{A} denote a special PPT ITM that represents the adversary and that is initialized with input that contains the identities of the corrupt parties, their respective private inputs, and an auxiliary input.

The protocol is executed in rounds (i.e., the protocol is synchronous). Each round consists of the send phase and the receive phase, where parties can respectively send the messages from this round to other parties and receive messages from other parties. In every round parties can communicate either over a broadcast channel or a fully connected peer-to-peer (P2P) network. If peer-to-peer communication occurs in the first round without a PKI, we assume these channels are "open"; that is, the adversary sees all messages sent.⁷ In other cases,

⁵Adaptive garbling schemes [BHR12a] remain secure against an adversary who obtains the garbled circuit and then selects the input.

 $^{^{6}\}mathrm{We}$ note that our security proofs can translate to an appropriate (synchronous) composable setting with minimal changes.

⁷Some of our negative results hold even if private peer-to-peer channels are available in the first round. However, our positive results do not make use of such channels.

we assume that these channels can be private, since communications can be encrypted using public keys that are either available via a PKI or exchanged in the first round. In all cases, we assume the channels to be ideally authenticated.

During the execution of the protocol, the corrupt parties receive arbitrary instructions from the adversary \mathcal{A} , while the honest parties faithfully follow the instructions of the protocol. We consider the adversary \mathcal{A} to be rushing, i.e., during every round the adversary can see the messages the honest parties sent before producing messages from corrupt parties.

At the end of the protocol execution, the honest parties produce output, and the adversary outputs an arbitrary function of the corrupt parties' view. The view of a party during the execution consists of its input, random coins and the messages it sees during the execution.

Definition 1 (Real-world execution). Let $\Pi = (P_1, \ldots, P_n)$ be an n-party protocol and let $\mathcal{I} \subseteq [n]$, of size at most t, denote the set of indices of the parties corrupted by \mathcal{A} . The joint execution of Π under $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I})$ in the real world, on input vector $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$, auxiliary input aux and security parameter λ , denoted REAL_{$\Pi, \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{A}(\mathsf{aux})(x, \lambda)$}, is defined as the output vector of P_1, \ldots, P_n and $\mathcal{A}(\mathsf{aux})$ resulting from the protocol interaction.

Ideal-world. We describe ideal world executions with selective abort (sl-abort), unanimous abort (un-abort), identifiable abort (id-abort), fairness (fairness) and guaranteed output delivery (god).

Definition 2 (Ideal Computation). Consider type \in {sl-abort, un-abort, id-abort, fairness, god}. Let $f : (\{0,1\}^*)^n \to (\{0,1\}^*)^n$ be an n-party function and let $\mathcal{I} \subseteq [n]$, of size at most t, be the set of indices of the corrupt parties. Then, the joint ideal execution of f under (S,\mathcal{I}) on input vector $x = (x_1,\ldots,x_n)$, auxiliary input aux to S and security parameter λ , denoted $\mathsf{IDEAL}_{f,\mathcal{I},S(\mathsf{aux})}^{\mathsf{type}}(x,\lambda)$, is defined as the output vector of P_1,\ldots,P_n and S resulting from the following ideal process.

- 1. Parties send inputs to trusted party: An honest party P_i sends its input x_i to the trusted party. The simulator S may send to the trusted party arbitrary inputs for the corrupt parties. Let x'_i be the value actually sent as the input of party P_i .
- 2. Trusted party speaks to simulator: The trusted party computes $(y_1, \ldots, y_n) = f(x'_1, \ldots, x'_n)$. If there are no corrupt parties or type = god, proceed to step 4.
 - (a) If type \in {sl-abort, un-abort, id-abort}: The trusted party sends $\{y_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$ to S.
 - (b) If type = fairness: The trusted party sends ready to S.
- 3. Simulator S responds to trusted party:
 - (a) If type = sl-abort: The simulator S can select a set of parties that will not get the output as $\mathcal{J} \subseteq [n] \setminus \mathcal{I}$. (Note that \mathcal{J} can be empty, allowing all parties to obtain the output.) It sends (abort, \mathcal{J}) to the trusted party.
 - (b) If type \in {un-abort, fairness}: The simulator can send abort to the trusted party. If it does, we take $\mathcal{J} = [n] \setminus \mathcal{I}$.

- (c) If type = id-abort: If it chooses to abort, the simulator S can select a corrupt party $i^* \in \mathcal{I}$ who will be blamed, and send (abort, i^*) to the trusted party. If it does, we take $\mathcal{J} = [n] \setminus \mathcal{I}$.
- 4. Trusted party answers parties:
 - (a) If the trusted party got abort from the simulator S,
 - i. It sets the abort message abortmsg, as follows:
 - *if* type \in {sl-abort, un-abort, fairness}, we let abortmsg = \perp .
 - *if* type = id-abort, we let $abortmsg = (\perp, i^*)$.
 - ii. The trusted party then sends abortmsg to every party P_j , $j \in \mathcal{J}$, and y_j to every party P_j , $j \in [n] \setminus \mathcal{J}$.

Note that, if type = god, we will never be in this setting, since S was not allowed to ask for an abort.

- (b) Otherwise, it sends y to every P_j , $j \in [n]$.
- 5. Outputs: Honest parties always output the message received from the trusted party while the corrupt parties output nothing. The simulator S outputs an arbitrary function of the initial inputs $\{x_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}}$, the messages received by the corrupt parties from the trusted party and its auxiliary input.

Security Definitions. We now define the security notion for protocols.

Definition 3. Consider type \in {sl-abort, un-abort, id-abort, fairness, god}. Let f : $(\{0,1\}^*)^n \to (\{0,1\}^*)^n$ be an n-party function. A protocol Π t-securely computes the function f with type security if for every PPT real-world adversary \mathcal{A} with auxiliary input aux, there exists a PPT simulator \mathcal{S} such that for every $\mathcal{I} \subseteq [n]$ of size at most t, for all $x \in (\{0,1\}^*)^n$, for all large enough $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$, it holds that

$$\operatorname{REAL}_{\Pi,\mathcal{I},\mathcal{A}(\operatorname{aux})}(x,\lambda) \stackrel{c}{\equiv} \operatorname{IDEAL}_{f,\mathcal{I},\mathcal{S}(\operatorname{aux})}^{\operatorname{type}}(x,\lambda).$$

2.2 Notation

In this paper, we focus on two-round secure computation protocols. Rather than viewing a protocol Π as an *n*-tuple of interactive Turing machines, it is convenient to view each Turing machine as a sequence of three algorithms: $\texttt{frst-msg}_i$, to compute P_i 's first messages to its peers; $\texttt{snd-msg}_i$, to compute P_i 's second messages; and \texttt{output}_i , to compute P_i 's output. Thus, a protocol Π can be defined as $\{(\texttt{frst-msg}_i, \texttt{snd-msg}_i, \texttt{output}_i)\}_{i \in [n]}$.

The syntax of the algorithms is as follows:

- $\operatorname{frst-msg}_i(x_i, r_i) \to (\operatorname{msg}_{i \to 1}^1, \dots, \operatorname{msg}_{i \to n}^1)$ produces the first-round messages of party P_i to all parties. Note that a party's message to itself can be considered to be its state.
- $\operatorname{snd-msg}_i(x_i, r_i, \operatorname{msg}_{1 \to i}^1, \dots, \operatorname{msg}_{n \to i}^1) \to (\operatorname{msg}_{i \to 1}^2, \dots, \operatorname{msg}_{i \to n}^2)$ produces the second-round messages of party P_i to all parties.
- $\operatorname{output}_i(x_i, r_i, \operatorname{msg}^1_{1 \to i}, \dots, \operatorname{msg}^1_{n \to i}, \operatorname{msg}^2_{1 \to i}, \dots, \operatorname{msg}^2_{n \to i}) \to y_i$ produces the output returned to party P_i .

We implicitly assume that all of these algorithms also take a CRS as input when one is available.

When the first round is over broadcast channels, we consider $\texttt{frst-msg}_i$ to return only one message — msg_i^1 . Similarly, when the second round is over broadcast channels, we consider $\mathsf{snd-msg}_i$ to return only msg_i^2 .

Throughout our negative results, we omit the randomness r, and instead focus on deterministic protocols, modeling the randomness implicitly as part of the algorithm.

3 Lower Bounds

In this section, we present four negative results in the setting where no PKI is available, but a CRS is. Our first two negative results (Section 3.1) hold even when private channels are available in the first round (which is arguably unrealistic without a PKI). In Theorem 1, we show that if $n \leq 3t$, no P2P-BC, IA, CRS protocol exists. In Theorem 2, we show that if t > 1, no BC-P2P, UA, CRS protocol exists. Theorem 2 extends the impossibility result of Patra and Ravi [PR18], which holds for $n \leq 3t$.

Our last two negative results (Section 3.2) hold only when private channels are *not* available in the first round, and focus on the case when t = 1. In Cor 1, we show that if the adversary corrupts even one participant, no BC-P2P, UA, CRS protocol exists if the first-round messages are public; similarly, in Cor 2, we show that in the same setting, no BC-BC, FAIR, CRS protocol exists. This strengthens the impossibility result of Gordon *et al.* [GLS15] which holds for $n \leq 3t$. t = 1 is the only case where the availability of private channels in the first round enables stronger security guarantees; with private channels in the first round, the strongest guarantee — guaranteed output delivery — is possible for t = 1 and $n \geq 4$ even when no broadcast is available [IKP10,IKKP15].

3.1 General Impossibility Results

Theorem 1 (P2P-BC, IA, CRS, $n \leq 3t$). There exist functions f such that no n-party two-round protocol can compute f with identifiable abort against $t \geq \frac{n}{3}$ corruptions while making use of broadcast only in the second round (i.e. where the first round is over peer-to-peer channels⁸ and second round uses both broadcast and peer-to-peer channels).

In our proof, we use the function f_{ot} . Let the input of P_1 be a pair of strings $x_1 = (\mathbf{z}_0, \mathbf{z}_1)$, where $\mathbf{z}_0, \mathbf{z}_1 \in \{0, 1\}^{\lambda}$, and the input of P_n be a choice bit $x_n = c \in \{0, 1\}$. The input of other parties is \perp (i.e. $x_i = \perp$ for $i \in [n] \setminus \{1, n\}$). f_{ot} allows everyone to learn \mathbf{z}_c .

Proof. We prove Theorem 1 by contradiction. Let Π be an *n*-party protocol computing f_{ot} that achieves identifiable abort against $t \geq \frac{n}{3}$ corruptions by using broadcast in the second round only.

⁸The peer-to-peer channels can be private or "open".

Below, we show a strategy that allows an adversary corrupting a set \mathcal{I} of t parties, where $P_1 \notin \mathcal{I}$, to learn both \mathbf{z}_0 and \mathbf{z}_1 . This would complete the proof, since it violates the security of Π (in the ideal execution the adversary learns only one of the input strings of honest P_1). To show this, we analyze two scenarios:

Scenario 1: Consider an adversary who corrupts a set of t parties, \mathcal{I} , such that $P_1 \notin \mathcal{I}$ but $P_n \in \mathcal{I}$. Let S_0 and S_1 denote two disjoint sets of honest parties of equal size, where $|S_0| = |S_1| = \frac{n-t}{2} \leq t$ (we assume for simplicity that the number of honest parties is even). The adversary does the following on behalf of P_n (she behaves honestly on behalf of the other corrupt parties):

Round 1. Compute and send messages based on input $x_n = 0$ and $x_n = 1$ to parties in S_0 and S_1 respectively. (It is possible for the adversary to send inconsistent first-round messages as the first round is communicated over peer-to-peer channels.)

Round 2. Behave honestly with respect to input $x_n = 0$ (i.e. compute and send second round messages on behalf of parties in \mathcal{I} as if they received first round messages from P_n based on $x_n = 0$).

Scenario 2: Consider an adversary who corrupts parties in S_1 (where S_1 is as defined in Scenario 1 and in particular, does not include P_n or P_1). Suppose the input of honest P_n is $x_n = 0$. The adversary behaves as follows on behalf of corrupt parties:

Round 1. Behave honestly as per protocol specifications.

Round 2. Pretend to have received first round messages from P_n based on $x_n = 1$. (The adversary can do this without being caught, due to the absence of PKI or correlated randomness.)

The honest parties in S_0 cannot distinguish between the above two scenarios. Since the honest parties in S_0 do not know whom to blame, it must be the case that both the above scenarios result in the honest parties receiving an output. The output obtained by honest parties (including P_n) in Scenario 2 must be z_0 as it should be computed with respect to the input $x_n = 0$ of honest P_n . Since the adversary's view in Scenario 1 subsumes the view of honest P_n in Scenario 2, we can conclude that the adversary in Scenario 1 is able to learn the output z_0 .

Similarly, we can argue that in Scenario 1, if the adversary had sent second round messages on behalf of parties in \mathcal{I} based on input $x_n = 1$ instead, then the adversary could obtain output computed with respect to $x_n = 1$ (i.e. \mathbf{z}_1). This is because, in this case, honest parties in S_1 cannot identify whether P_n is corrupt or the *t* parties in S_0 are lying about having received Round 1 messages based on $x_n = 0$. Therefore, by locally computing Round 2 messages on behalf of parties in \mathcal{I} based on $x_n = 1$, the adversary can obtain \mathbf{z}_1 as well. This completes the argument that the adversary can learn both \mathbf{z}_0 and \mathbf{z}_1 , thereby completing the proof of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2 (BC-P2P, UA, CRS, t > 1). There exist functions f such that no n-party two-round protocol can compute f with unanimous abort against t > 1

corruptions while making use of broadcast only in the first round (i.e. where the first round uses both broadcast and peer-to-peer channels⁸ and second round uses only peer-to-peer channels).

In our proof, we use the function f_{mot} . Let the input of P_n be a pair of strings $x_n = (\mathbf{z}_0, \mathbf{z}_1)$, where $\mathbf{z}_0, \mathbf{z}_1 \in \{0, 1\}^{\lambda}$, and the input of every other party P_i $(i \in \{1, \ldots, n-1\})$ be a single bit $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$. f_{mot} allows everyone to learn \mathbf{z}_c , where $c = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i$.

Proof. We prove Theorem 2 by contradiction. Let Π be an *n*-party protocol securely computing f_{mot} with unanimous abort using broadcast only in the first round. We describe a sequence of scenarios $H_1, C_2, H_2, \ldots, C_{n-1}, H_{n-1}, H_n$. The vector of inputs (x_1, \ldots, x_n) is fixed across all scenarios. In all the scenarios, the adversary uses honest inputs for corrupt parties but may drop incoming or outgoing messages on behalf of corrupt parties.

We begin with a high-level overview of the argument. Each scenario H_i ($i \in$ $\{2,\ldots,n\}$ involves the adversary corrupting P_1 , while H_1 denotes an honest execution. The sequence of these scenarios is such that corrupt P_1 drops her peerto-peer messages in both rounds to one additional honest party in each scenario. However, she behaves honestly in her first-round broadcast communication. The idea is to show that the output of H_i and H_{i+1} is identical for each $i \in [n-1]$. We show this by interleaving the above sequence with scenarios C_2, \ldots, C_{n-1} , in each of which P_1 as well as one other party are corrupt. (The only exception is C_2 , where P_1 is honest.) This lets us infer that the output of Scenario H_n is identical to that of Scenario H_1 : i.e. the output is $y = f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = \mathbf{z}_c$, since in H_1 everyone behaves honestly and the output y is well-defined. Since the only communication from P_1 in Scenario H_n is her broadcast and private communication to P_n in Round 1, intuitively, P_n had sufficient information about x_1 required for output computation at the end of Round 1 itself. Building on this intuition, we demonstrate that Π is susceptible to a residual attack by P_n (which contradicts the security of Π).

Before describing the scenarios in detail, we first define some useful notation. Let μ denote the negligible probability with which the security of Π fails. Let $\widetilde{\mathsf{msg}}_{i\to j}^2$ denote P_i 's second-round message to P_j (sent over peer-to-peer channel), computed honestly given that P_i did not receive the private message (i.e. the communication over peer-to-peer channel) from P_1 in the first round.

We now analyze the following sequence of scenarios $H_1, C_2, H_2, C_3, H_3, \ldots, C_{(n-1)}, H_{(n-1)}, H_n$.

Scenario H_1 : All parties behave honestly. Since everyone behaved honestly, it follows from correctness that P_1 obtains the output $y = f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = \mathbf{z}_c$ with probability at least $1 - \mu$.

Scenario C_2 : P_2 is corrupt.

Round 1: P_2 behaves honestly.

Round 2: P_2 pretends to P_3, \ldots, P_n that she did not receive private communication from P_1 in Round 1. In more detail, P_2 sends $\widetilde{\mathsf{msg}}_{2\to j}^2$ to P_j for $j \in \{3, \ldots, n\}$.

 P_1 must output $y = \mathbf{z}_c$ with probability at least $1 - \mu$ since her view is identically distributed to her view in Scenario H_1 . Unanimity (which breaks with probability at most μ) dictates that when honest P_1 outputs $y = \mathbf{z}_c$ (which occurs with probability at least $1 - \mu$), the other honest parties P_3, \ldots, P_n must also obtain $y = \mathbf{z}_c$ with probability at least $1 - 2\mu$.

Scenario H_2 : P_1 is corrupt.

Round 1: P_1 behaves honestly in the broadcast communication and in private communication with P_3, \ldots, P_n . However, she does not send private messages to P_2 .

Round 2: P_1 communicates honestly with P_3, \ldots, P_n but sends no messages to P_2 .

The views of parties P_3, \ldots, P_n is identically distributed to their views in the previous scenario (where the view of P_j , where $j \in \{3, \ldots, n\}$ includes $\widetilde{\mathsf{msg}}_{2\to j}^2$). So, their output must be the same as in the previous scenario $(y = \mathbf{z}_c)$ with probability at least $1 - 2\mu$. P_2 must also output $y = \mathbf{z}_c$ with probability at least $1 - 3\mu$ to maintain unanimity.

For $i \in [3, ..., n-1]$, we define scenarios C_i and H_i as follows:

Scenario C_i : P_1 and P_i are corrupt.

Round 1: P_1 behaves as in the previous scenario (Scenario H_{i-1}). P_i behaves honestly.

Round 2: P_1 behaves as in the previous scenario. P_i behaves honestly towards P_2, \ldots, P_{i-1} , and pretends to parties P_{i+1}, \ldots, P_n that she did not receive private communication from P_1 in round 1. In more detail, P_i sends $\widetilde{\mathsf{msg}}_{i \to j}^2$ to $j \in \{i+1, \ldots, n\}$.

 P_2, \ldots, P_{i-1} can't distinguish this from the previous scenario, since their views are identically distributed. So, their outputs must be the same as in the previous scenario (i.e. $y = \mathbf{z}_c$) with probability at least $1 - (2(i-1)-1)\mu = 1 - (2i-3)\mu$. P_{i+1}, \ldots, P_n must also output $y = \mathbf{z}_c$ with probability at least $1 - (2i-3)\mu - \mu = 1 - 2(i-1)\mu$ to maintain unanimity.

Scenario H_i : P_1 is corrupt.

Round 1: P_1 behaves honestly in the broadcast communication and in private communication with P_{i+1}, \ldots, P_n . However, she does not send private messages to P_2, \ldots, P_i .

Round 2: P_1 communicates honestly with P_{i+1}, \ldots, P_n but sends no messages to P_2, \ldots, P_i .

Parties P_{i+1}, \ldots, P_n can't distinguish this from the previous scenario, since their views are identically distributed (where the view P_j , where $j \in \{i + 1, \ldots, n\}$, includes $\{\widetilde{\mathsf{msg}}_{2 \to j}^2, \ldots, \widetilde{\mathsf{msg}}_{i \to j}^2\}$). So, their output must be the same as in the previous scenario (i.e. $y = \mathbf{z}_c$) with probability at least $1 - 2(i-1)\mu$. P_2, \ldots, P_i must also output $y = \mathbf{z}_c$ with probability at least $1 - 2(i-1)\mu - \mu =$ $1 - (2i - 1)\mu$ to maintain unanimity.

Finally, we define scenario H_n as follows:

Scenario H_n : P_1 is corrupt.

Round 1: P_1 behaves honestly in the broadcast communication and in private communication with P_n . However, she does not send private messages to P_2, \ldots, P_{n-1} . (This is the same as in the previous — Scenario H_{n-1} .)

Round 2: P_1 sends no messages.

Parties P_2, \ldots, P_{n-1} can't distinguish this from the previous scenario, since their views are identically distributed. So, their output must be the same as in the previous scenario (i.e. $y = \mathbf{z}_c$) with probability at least $1 - (2(n-1) - 1)\mu = 1 - (2n-3)\mu$. P_n must also output $y = \mathbf{z}_c$ with probability at least $1 - (2n-3)\mu - \mu = 1 - 2(n-1)\mu$ to maintain unanimity.

In the last scenario, we claim that the output (which is identical to \mathbf{z}_c as shown above) is computed with respect to input $x'_1 = x_1$ of corrupt P_1 . This is because the output in the last scenario must be computed on honest inputs of parties P_2, \ldots, P_n (as they are honest in the last scenario) and $f(x'_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) = \mathbf{z}_c$ holds only if $x'_1 = x_1$ (recall that $c = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i$ is based on the fixed combination of inputs (x_1, \ldots, x_n) used in the above scenarios).

Next, we note that in the last scenario, P_1 has spoken only in the first round broadcast and private communication to P_n . We argue that Π is susceptible to the following residual attack. Consider a different scenario H_n^* where the adversary passively corrupts P_n and behaves in the following manner. She fixes the first round broadcast and private communication obtained from P_1 . She chooses inputs (x'_2, \ldots, x'_n) and randomness on behalf of parties P_2, \ldots, P_n . Now, it is easy to see that the adversary in H_n^* can locally emulate all the messages of Scenario H_n in her head with respect to inputs $(x_1, x'_2, x'_3, \ldots, x'_n)$. This is because the output of H_n was computed with respect to x_1 (as argued previously) and the only communication of P_1 throughout Scenario H_n was in its broadcast and private communication to P_n which is available to the adversary in H_n^* at the end of the first round. Lastly, since the adversary's view in H_n^* subsumes the view of honest P_n in Scenario H_n (if it occurred with respect to inputs $(x_1, x'_2 \dots, x'_n))$, we can conclude that the adversary is able to learn the output $f(x_1, x'_2, \ldots, x'_n)$ with overwhelming probability. Thus, the adversary in H_n^* can obtain $f(x_1, x'_2, \ldots, x'_n)$ with overwhelming probability for any inputs (x'_2,\ldots,x'_n) of her choice.

This contradicts the security of Π because it allows the adversary corrupting P_n to learn x_1 . For instance, the adversary can choose $x'_n = (\mathbf{z}'_0, \mathbf{z}'_1)$ with $\mathbf{z}'_0 \neq \mathbf{z}'_1$ and (x'_2, \ldots, x'_{n-1}) such that $x'_2 \oplus x'_3 \oplus \cdots \oplus x'_{n-1} = 0$. This would allow her to deduce x_1 directly based on the output (which would evaluate to \mathbf{z}'_{x_1}). This is in contrast to the ideal execution where the adversary passively corrupting P_n only learns c from the output which does not reveal x_1 (as c would depend on the inputs of other honest parties as well).

Lastly, we point out that the above proof breaks down in the presence of a PKI or correlated randomness. This is because if such a setup is present, the adversary corrupting P_n in Scenario H_n^* will not be able to emulate the messages of an honest party P_i with respect to some chosen input x'_i (as the computation of these messages might require private information given to P_i as a part of the setup, which is not available to the adversary). In fact, there exist constructions achieving guaranteed output delivery (which implies unanimous abort) in the BC-P2P, PKI setting when t < n/2 [DMR⁺21].

3.2 Impossibility Results with Public First-Round Peer-to-Peer Channels

In this section, we present two impossibility results for the setting where the peer-to-peer channels in the first round are public (observable by the adversary). ⁹ Both these results hold when the adversary corrupts one of n parties (where n > 1). First, we show that fairness is impossible in the BC-BC setting. Second, we show that unanimous abort is impossible in the BC-P2P setting.

We begin with recalling some useful definitions and theorems from the work of Damgård *et al.* $[DMR^+21]$ (we refer to their paper for the formal details and proofs).

Definition 4 (Last Message Resiliency [DMR⁺21]). A protocol is r-last message resilient if, in an honest execution, any protocol participant P_i can compute its output without using r of the messages it received in the last round.

Theorem 3. $[DMR^+21]$ Any protocol Π which achieves secure computation with unanimous abort with corruption threshold t and whose last round can be executed over peer-to-peer channels must be t-last message resilient, as long as $n-t \ge 2$ (that is, as long as there are at least two honest parties).

Proof (Sketch). Informally, Damgård *et al.* argue that if Π is not *t*-last message resilient, then an adversary can disrupt unanimity between a pair of honest parties, say P_j and P_k , by doing the following: behaving honestly in the first round, behaving honestly in the second round towards P_k , and not sending messages on behalf of *t* corrupt parties to P_j . P_k will compute the correct output, since her view is the same as in an all-honest execution; however, P_j will not, since the protocol is not *t*-last message resilient.

Theorem 4. $[DMR^+21]$ Any protocol Π which achieves secure computation with fairness with corruption threshold t must be t-last message resilient.

Proof (Sketch). Informally, Damgård *et al.* argue that if Π is not *t*-last message resilient, then an adversary can violate fairness ¹⁰ by behaving honestly up until the last round and remaining silent in the last round (where the last round could

⁹Recall that we assume throughout this work that the peer-to-peer channels in the second round are private, as this can be easily realized by parties sending their public keys in the first round which can then be used to encrypt messages in the second round.

¹⁰We assume that the function computed by Π is such that the adversary cannot compute the output locally by using her own inputs, therefore the argument for fairness can be invoked. This property holds for the function f that we consider later.

use both broadcast and peer-to-peer channels). It is easy to see that the honest parties would not be able to compute the output if the protocol is not *t*-last message resilient, while the adversary would be, as her view subsumes the views of the corrupt parties in an all-honest execution.

Next, we show that two-round protocols using broadcast and public peer-topeer channels in the first round cannot be *t*-last message resilient.

Theorem 5. There exists a function f such that any two-round protocol Π securely realizing f whose first round can be executed over broadcast and public peer-to-peer channels cannot be r-last message resilient for r > 0. (Note that this holds regardless of of corruption threshold t; in particular, it holds even when t = 0, and all the adversary can do is observe the network.)

Proof. We prove Theorem 5 by contradiction. Consider some function f where a residual function attack is clearly a violation of privacy; for instance, take the function f_{ot} described in the proof of Theorem 1, where party P_1 's input consists of a pair of strings $(x_1 = (\mathbf{z}_0, \mathbf{z}_1) \in \{0, 1\}^{2\lambda})$, and party P_n 's input consists of a bit $(x_n = c \in \{0, 1\})$. All parties receive \mathbf{z}_c as output.

Assume, for the sake of contradiction, that the protocol Π is *r*-last message resilient, and realizes f_{ot} in two rounds without using private channels in the first round. Of course, in an all-honest execution, P_n learns \mathbf{z}_c . By *r*-last message resiliency (for $r \geq 1$), P_n can compute \mathbf{z}_c even without P_1 's second-round message.

Now, an adversary observing the network can mount a residual attack by eavesdropping all of P_1 's first-round messages, and running the rest of the protocol in her head. More concretely, she can compute first- and second-round messages on behalf of all the other participants P_2, \ldots, P_n (using arbitrary inputs x'_2, \ldots, x'_n of her choice), and run the rest of the protocol, ending up with the output \mathbf{z}_0 if $x'_n = 0$ and \mathbf{z}_1 if $x'_n = 1$. The absence of a second-round message from P_1 should not affect the output by r-last message resiliency.

The above proof breaks down in the presence of a PKI or private peer-to-peer channels in the first round. This is because in such a case, the adversary would not be able to emulate the messages on behalf of parties P_2, \ldots, P_n with respect to inputs of her choice. If a PKI is available, their messages may need to depend on their secret keys, which the adversary does not know; if private channels are available in the first round, their messages may depend on private information that they receive from P_1 in that round.

Corollary 1 (BC-P2P, UA, CRS, $t \ge 1$). There exists a function f such that no n-party two-round protocol Π can compute f with unanimous abort against $t \ge 1$ corruptions while making use of broadcast and public peer-to-peer channels in the first round and (private) peer-to-peer channels in the second round, as long as $n - t \ge 2$ (that is, as long as there are at least two honest parties).

This corollary follows from Theorem 3 and Theorem 5.

Corollary 2 (BC-BC, FAIR, CRS, $t \ge 1$). There exists a function f such that no n-party two-round protocol Π can compute f with fairness against $t \ge 1$ corruptions while making use of broadcast and public peer-to-peer channels in the first round and both broadcast and (private) peer-to-peer channels in the second round.

This corollary follows from Theorem 4 and Theorem 5.

4 One-or-Nothing Secret Sharing with Intermediaries

Damgård *et al.* [DMR⁺21] introduce one-or-nothing secret sharing, which allows a dealer to share a vector of secrets in such a way that during reconstruction, at most one of the secrets is recovered (the share holders essentially vote on which one). The correctness guarantee is that if sufficiently many share holders vote for a certain index, and no-one votes against that index (though some parties may equivocate), the value at that index is recovered; the security guarantee is that if at least one party votes for a certain index, the adversary learns nothing about the values at any *other* index. Damgård *et al.* present two versions of this primitive: the default version, and a *non-interactive* version, where parties can vote even if they have not received a share from the dealer. This is done by assuming the dealer shares secret keys with each party, which can be realized via non-interactive key exchange, using a PKI.

Unfortunately, this non-interactive one-or-nothing secret sharing tool (referred to as 10r0) does not extend to a setting where no PKI is available. In the absence of PKI, the main challenge is to ensure that the share intended for a party, say P, gets delivered (so that her share corresponding to the secret at the index she votes for can be recovered). We achieve this by modeling the fact that other parties can be intermediaries who aid this share transfer. For the setting where only a CRS is available, we propose a new variant of one-or-nothing secret sharing: namely, one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries (referred to as 10r0wi).

In order to simplify the presentation of our P2P-BC, IA, CRS construction, we define one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries as a *maliciously-secure* primitive. The first round of our protocol is reserved for the exchange of public keys, so sharing and reconstruction must take place in a single round. The definitions of one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries capture the fact that keys may not have been exchanged consistently, but demand that reconstruction succeeds if blame cannot be assigned. We discuss the syntax, definitions and construction of one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries below.

4.1 Syntax

A one-or-nothing secret sharing scheme [DMR⁺21] consists of four algorithms: setup, share, vote, and reconstruct. setup returns a shared secret key belonging to the dealer and one of the receivers; these keys are then used within share, and again in vote. To make our one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries secure against malicious adversaries, we move to a public-key syntax, which makes it easier to check parties' behavior using zero knowledge proofs. We change setup to return a common reference string crs; keys are then produced by keygen, which creates a key pair for one of the receivers. share, vote and reconstruct now all expect the receivers' public keys as input. The syntax of reconstruct is modified to support cheater identification; if sufficiently many (at least n-t) parties vote for the same value, then either the secret corresponding to this value will be reconstructed, or a cheating party will be identified. We present the syntax of the maliciously-secure one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries below.

 $setup(1^{\lambda}) \rightarrow crs$ is an algorithm which takes as input the security parameter and generates the common random / reference string.

 $keygen(crs) \rightarrow (sk, pk)$ is an algorithm which takes as input the common reference string and generates a key pair.

share $(crs, pk_1, \ldots, pk_n, \mathbf{z}^{(1)}, \ldots, \mathbf{z}^{(l)}) \to s$ is an algorithm run by the dealer D which takes as input all the parties' public keys, and the l values that are being shared. It outputs a single share s.

 $\operatorname{vote}(crs, \operatorname{sk}_i, \operatorname{pk}_1, \ldots, \operatorname{pk}_n, v_i) \to \overline{s}_i$ is an algorithm run by party *i* which takes as input party *i*'s secret key, all the parties' public keys, and a vote v_i , where $v_i \in \{1, \ldots, l, \bot\}$ can either be an index of a value, or it can be \bot if party *i* is unsure which value it wants to vote for. It returns a ballot \overline{s}_i .

Note that, to allow share and vote to be executed in a single round, vote does not take as input the share s.

 $\operatorname{reconstruct}(crs, s, (\operatorname{pk}_1, v_1, \overline{s}_1), \ldots, (\operatorname{pk}_n, v_n, \overline{s}_n)) \to \{\mathbf{z}^{(v)}, \bot, \bot_i\}$ is an algorithm which takes as input the output of share run by the dealer D, the outputs of vote run by each of the n parties, as well as their votes, and outputs the value $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$ which received a majority of votes, $or \bot$, $or \bot_i$ where i denotes the identity of a cheater.

4.2 Security

We require one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries to satisfy *privacy* and *identifiability*, described below. Notice that identifiability naturally implies correctness. Our definitions of privacy and identifiability both assume that corrupt parties might provide honest parties, including the dealer, with inconsistent or incorrect public keys. Below, we denote the set of n parties as $\{D, P_1, \ldots, P_{n-1}\}$, where D denotes the dealer.

Definition 5 (10r0wi: Privacy). Informally, this property requires that when fewer than n - 2t honest parties produce their ballot using v, then the adversary learns nothing about $z^{(v)}$.

More formally,

a one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries scheme is private if for any security parameter $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$, for every PPT adversary \mathcal{A} , it holds that $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] \leq \frac{1}{2} + negl(\lambda)$ in the following experiment:



Definition 6 (10r0wi: Identifiability). Informally, this property requires that when at least n-t parties produce their ballot using the same v, either reconstruct returns $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$ or a corrupt party is identified.

More formally,

a one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries scheme is identifiable if for any security parameter $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$, for every PPT adversary \mathcal{A} , it holds that $\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}]$ is negligible in the following experiment:



It is easy to see that the identifiability property defined above implies *correctness* (i.e. when all algorithms are executed honestly, if at least n - t parties produce their ballot using the same v, **reconstruct** returns $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$). In more detail, it is implied by the experiment above corresponding to the case when $\mathbb{A} = \emptyset$.

Lastly, we remark that in the work of Damgård *et al.*, one-or-nothing secret sharing additionally required *contradiction-privacy*. This guaranteed the privacy of all secrets when a pair of honest parties produce ballots for different indices. Notably, our one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries does not have this property; however, when n > 3t, the privacy property implies that at most one secret is reconstructed.¹¹

¹¹Suppose, for contradiction, secrets at two indices are reconstructed: let those indices be v and v'. Then, privacy dictates that at least n - 2t honest parties must have produced ballots for v and a (disjoint) set of n - 2t honest parties must have produced

4.3 Construction

Our construction uses what we informally refer to as *transferrable encryption*, which allows a sender to encrypt a message to an intermediary, who, even before seeing the ciphertext, can *transfer* the ability to decrypt to another receiver. This can be achieved, for instance, simply by having the intermediary encrypt her (single-use) secret decryption key to the receiver.

We now informally describe the one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries algorithms keygen, share, vote, and reconstruct:

- 1. Informally, keygen generates may single-use public-key encryption key pairs for each party *i*, designated for transference of decryption power to different parties *j*. Each party *i* will end up with a key pair $(\mathbf{sk}_{j\to i}^{(v)}, \mathbf{pk}_{j\to i}^{(v)})$ for every party *j* and shared value index *v*.
- 2. In the **share** algorithm the dealer threshold secret shares each secret $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$ as $s_1^{(v)}, \ldots, s_n^{(w)}$, and then threshold secret shares each $s_i^{(v)}$ as $s_{i \to 1}^{(v)}, \ldots, s_{i \to n}^{(v)}$. Then, the dealer broadcasts an encryption of each sub-share $s_{i \to j}^{(v)}$ under a key $\mathbf{pk}_{i \to j}^{(v)}$ belonging to party j; later, during **vote**, party j will the act as an intermediary, and forward that share to party i.
- 3. **vote** is dived into two sub-steps (the first of which is independent of the party's vote):
 - (a) Each party j broadcasts transfer keys for each index v and each other party i that can be applied to the encryption of s^(v)_{i→j} (under party j's public key pk^(v)_{i→j}) to make it decryptable using party i's secret decryption key sk^(v)_{i→i}. (Such a transfer key can simply be an encryption of sk^(v)_{i→j} under party i's public key pk^(v)_{i→i}.)
 (b) To vote for the reconstruction of z^(v), each party i broadcasts her relevant
 - (b) To vote for the reconstruction of $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$, each party *i* broadcasts her relevant secret decryption key $\mathbf{sk}_{i \to i}^{(v)}$.
- 4. Finally, the **reconstruct** algorithm decrypts all the shares made available through the broadcast of the relevant decryption keys, and reconstructs $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$ if at least n t votes supported v; otherwise, a cheating party is identified.

Finally, to achieve security against an active adversary, each party provides a non-interactive zero-knowledge proof (NIZK) to ensure that each step is honestly computed. Therefore, the **setup** algorithm is also tasked with providing the CRSs required for the NIZKs.

More formally, let PKE = (keygen, enc, dec) be a public key encryption scheme with CPA security, and let NIZK = (setupZK, prove, verify, simP, extract) be a non-interactive zero-knowledge proof system for the following relations:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\texttt{keygen}} = \left\{ \left. \begin{matrix} \phi = \texttt{pk} \\ \\ w = (\texttt{sk}, r) \end{matrix} \right| (\texttt{sk}, \texttt{pk}) \leftarrow \texttt{PKE}.\texttt{keygen}(1^{\lambda}; r) \\ \end{matrix} \right\},$$

ballots for v'. This can occur only if $(n-2t) + (n-2t) \le n-t$ holds, which contradicts the assumption that n > 3t.

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{share}} = \begin{cases} \phi = \{ pk_{i \to j}^{(v)}, c_{i \to j}^{(v)} \}_{v \in [l], i, j \in [n]} \\ w = \begin{pmatrix} \{ z^{(v)}, r^{(v)}, \{ r_i^{(v)}, \\ \{ r_i^{(v)} \}_{j \in [n]} \}_{i \in [n]} \}_{v \in [l]} \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \{ (s_1^{(v)}, \dots, s_n^{(v)}) \leftarrow \text{Shamir.share}(z^{(v)}; r^{(v)}) \}_{v \in [l]} \\ \wedge \{ (s_{i \to 1}^{(v)}, \dots, s_{i \to n}^{(v)}) \leftarrow \text{Shamir.share}(s_i^{(v)}; r_i^{(v)}) \}_{v \in [l], i \in [n]} \\ \end{pmatrix} \\ , \end{cases} \\ \mathcal{R}_{\text{vote}} = \begin{cases} \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \{ pk_{j \to j}^{(v)}, pk_{j \to i}^{(v)}, tk_{j \to i}^{(v)} \}_{v \in [l], j \in [n]}, \\ v_i, sk_{i \to i}^{(v)} \end{pmatrix} \\ w = \begin{pmatrix} \{ sk_{j \to i}^{(v)}, \bar{r}_{j \to i}^{(v)}, r_j^{(v)} \}_{v \in [l], j \in [n]} \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} \\ \end{vmatrix} \\ \begin{cases} \left\{ (sk_{j \to i}^{(v)}, pk_{j \to i}^{(v)}, pk_{j \to i}^{(v)}) \leftarrow PKE.keygen(1^{\lambda}; \bar{r}_{j \to i}^{(v)}) \}_{j \in [n], v \in [l]} \\ \wedge \{ tk_{j \to i}^{(v)} \leftarrow PKE.enc(pk_{j \to j}^{(v)}, sk_{j \to i}^{(v)}; r_j^{(v)}) \}_{v \in [l], j \in [n]} \end{cases} \end{cases} \end{cases} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

Figure 4.1 describes our one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries (lorOwi) scheme.

Figure 4.1: Construction of lorOwi $setup(1^{\lambda})$: Set up and output the common reference strings $crs_{\texttt{keygen}} \leftarrow \texttt{setupZK}(1^{\lambda}, \mathcal{R}_{\texttt{keygen}}),$ $crs_{\text{share}} \leftarrow \text{setupZK}(1^{\lambda}, \mathcal{R}_{\text{share}}), \text{ and }$ $crs_{\text{vote}} \leftarrow \text{setupZK}(1^{\lambda}, \mathcal{R}_{\text{vote}})$ for the zero knowledge proof system. Return crs= $(crs_{keygen}, crs_{share}, crs_{vote}).$ keygen(crs), run by party *i*: 1. For each $j \in [n]$ and $v \in [l]$, $(\mathbf{sk}_{j \to i}^{(v)}, \mathbf{pk}_{j \to i}^{(v)}) \leftarrow \mathsf{PKE.keygen}(1^{\lambda}; \bar{r}_{j \to i}^{(v)})$. 2. For each $j \in [n]$ and $v \in [l]$, $\pi_{j \to i}^{(v)} \leftarrow \mathsf{NIZK.prove}(crs_{\mathsf{keygen}}, \phi = \mathbf{skeygen})$. $p\mathbf{k}_{j\to i}^{(v)}, w = (\mathbf{s}\mathbf{k}_{j\to i}^{(v)}, \bar{r}_{j\to i}^{(v)})).$ 3. Let $\mathbf{s}\mathbf{k}_i = (\{\mathbf{s}\mathbf{k}_{j\to i}^{(v)}, \bar{r}_{j\to i}^{(v)}\}_{j\in[n], v\in[l]}),$ and pk_i $(\{\mathtt{pk}_{j \to i}^{(v)}, \pi_{j \to i}^{(v)}\}_{j \in [n], v \in [l]}).$ 4. Output ($\mathtt{sk}_i, \mathtt{pk}_i$).
$$\begin{split} & \texttt{share}(crs,\texttt{pk}_1,\ldots,\texttt{pk}_n,\texttt{z}^{(1)},\ldots,\texttt{z}^{(l)})\texttt{, run by the dealer } D \text{ (where } \\ & \texttt{pk}_i = \{\texttt{pk}_{j \rightarrow i}^{(v)},\pi_{j \rightarrow i}^{(v)}\}_{j \in [n], v \in [l]}\texttt{)}\texttt{:} \end{split}$$
1. For each $v \in [l]$, compute $(s_1^{(v)}, \ldots, s_n^{(v)}) \leftarrow \text{Shamir.share}(\mathbf{z}^{(v)}; r^{(v)})$ as the threshold sharing of $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$ with threshold (n - t - 1). 2. For each $i \in [n]$ and $v \in [l]$, compute $(s_{i \to 1}^{(v)}, \ldots, s_{i \to n}^{(v)}) \leftarrow$ Shamir.share $(s_i^{(v)}; r_i^{(v)})$ as the threshold sharing of $s_i^{(v)}$ with threshold sharing of $s_i^{(v)}$ with threshold sharing of $s_i^{(v)}$ with threshold sharing of $s_i^{(v)}$ as the threshold sharing of $s_i^{(v)}$ as the threshold sharing of $s_i^{(v)}$ with threshold sharing of $s_i^{(v)}$ as the th old (n - 2t - 1). 3. For each $i, j \in [n]$ and $v \in [l]$, compute $c_{i \to j}^{(v)} \leftarrow$ $\texttt{PKE.enc}(\texttt{pk}_{i \rightarrow j}^{(v)}, s_{i \rightarrow j}^{(v)}; r_{i \rightarrow j}^{(v)}).$ 4. Set - $\phi_{\text{share}} = (\{ pk_{i \to j}^{(v)}, c_{i \to j}^{(v)} \}_{v \in [l], i, j \in [n]})$ and

 $- w_{\text{share}} = (\{\mathbf{z}^{(v)}, r^{(v)}, \{r_i^{(v)}, \{r_{i \to i}^{(v)}\}_{j \in [n]}\}_{i \in [n]}\}_{v \in [l]}).$ Compute $\pi_{\text{share}} \leftarrow \text{prove}(crs_{\text{share}}, \phi_{\text{share}}, w_{\text{share}}).$ 5. Set $s = (\phi_{\text{share}}, \pi_{\text{share}})$ and output s. $vote(crs, sk_i, pk_1, ..., pk_n, v_i)$, run by party *i* (where pk, $\{\mathsf{pk}_{i\to i}^{(v)}, \pi_{i\to i}^{(v)}\}_{j\in[n], v\in[l]} \text{ and } \mathsf{sk}_i = \{\mathsf{sk}_{i\to i}^{(v)}, \bar{r}_{i\to i}^{(v)}\}_{j\in[n], v\in[l]}\}:$ 1. For each $v \in [l]$ and $j \in [n]$, let $\mathsf{tk}_{j \to i}^{(v)} \leftarrow \mathsf{PKE.enc}(\mathsf{pk}_{j \to j}^{(v)}, \mathsf{sk}_{j \to i}^{(v)}; r_i^{(v)})$. 2. Set $\begin{aligned} & -\phi_{\mathtt{vote},i} = (\{\mathtt{pk}_{j \to j}^{(v)}, \mathtt{pk}_{j \to i}^{(v)}, \mathtt{tk}_{j \to i}^{(v)}\}_{v \in [l], j \in [n]}, v_i, \mathtt{sk}_{i \to i}^{(v_i)}) \ ^a \\ & -w_{\mathtt{vote},i} = (\{\mathtt{sk}_{j \to i}^{(v)}, \bar{r}_{j \to i}^{(v)}, r_j^{(v)}\}_{v \in [l], j \in [n]}). \\ & \text{Compute } \pi_{\mathtt{vote},i} \leftarrow \mathtt{prove}(crs_{\mathtt{vote},i}, \phi_{\mathtt{vote},i}, w_{\mathtt{vote},i}). \end{aligned}$ 3. Set $\overline{s}_i = (\phi_{\text{vote},i}, \pi_{\text{vote},i})$ and output \overline{s}_i . $reconstruct(crs, s, (pk_1, v_1, \overline{s}_1), \dots, (pk_n, v_n, \overline{s}_n))$ (where = and Identify the winning vote: 1. If there does not exist a $v \in \{1, \ldots, l\}$ such that at least (n-t) parties vote for v, output \perp . Let $S_{vote} \subseteq [n]$ be the set of parties i such that $v_i = v$. Verify the zero knowledge proofs: 2. For $i, j \in [n]$, if NIZK.verify $(crs_{\text{keygen}}, \phi = \text{pk}_{i \to i}^{(v)}, \pi_{i \to i}^{(v)}) = \text{reject}$ (where $pk_{j \to i}^{(v)}, \pi_{j \to i}^{(v)}$ are taken from pk_i), return \perp_i . 3. If NIZK.verify($crs_{share}, \phi_{share}, \pi_{share}$) = reject (where $\phi_{share}, \pi_{share}$ are taken from s), return \perp_D . 4. For $i \in [n]$, if NIZK.verify $(crs_{vote}, \phi_{vote,i}, \pi_{vote,i}) = reject$ (where $\phi_{\mathtt{vote},i}, \pi_{\mathtt{vote},i}$ are taken from \overline{s}_i), return \perp_i . Check the consistency of the share, ballots and keys: 5. For $i \in [n]$, let $S'_i \subseteq [n]$ be the set of parties $j \in [n]$ such that (a) $\mathbf{pk}_{i \to i}^{(v)}$ is the same in \mathbf{pk}_i and \overline{s}_j , and (b) $\mathbf{pk}_{i \to j}^{(v)}$ is the same in \mathbf{pk}_j and \overline{s}_i . If $|S'_i| < n - t$, return \perp_i . 6. Let $S_D \subseteq [n]$ be the set of parties *i* such that $\{pk_{i \to i}^{(v)}\}_{i \in [n]}$ is the same in pk_i and s. If $|S_D| < n - t$, return \perp_D . 7. For $i \in S_{vote}$, let $S_i = S'_i \cap S_D$. Note that $|S_i| \ge n - 2t$. For $j \in S_i$, we have a ciphertext $tk_{i \to j}^{(v)}$ (contained in \overline{s}_j), a secret key $\mathbf{sk}_{i\to i}^{(v)}$ (contained in \overline{s}_i) and a ciphertext $c_{i\to j}^{(v)}$ (contained in s). Let $\mathtt{sk}_{i \rightarrow j}^{(v)} \leftarrow \mathtt{PKE.dec}(\mathtt{sk}_{i \rightarrow i}^{(v)}, \mathtt{tk}_{i \rightarrow j}^{(v)}). \text{ Let } s_{i \rightarrow j}^{(v)} \leftarrow \mathtt{PKE.dec}(\mathtt{sk}_{i \rightarrow j}^{(v)}, c_{i \rightarrow j}^{(v)}).$ 8. For each $i \in S_{\text{vote}}$, let $s_i^{(v)} \leftarrow \text{Shamir.reconstruct}(\{s_{i \to i}^{(v)}\}_{j \in S_i})$.

9. Output $\mathbf{z}^{(v)} \leftarrow \text{Shamir.reconstruct}(\{s_i^{(v)}\}_{i \in S_{\text{vote}}}).$

Maliciously secure one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries when n > 3t.

^{*a*}any string $m^{(\perp)}$ is to be interpreted as \perp .

Theorem 6. The construction in Figure 4.1 is a maliciously secure one-ornothing secret sharing with intermediaries when n > 3t if PKE is a public key encryption scheme with CPA security, and NIZK is a secure non-interactive zeroknowledge proof system.

Proof. We prove privacy and identifiability (which implies correctness) below.

Privacy. Let \mathbb{H} denote the set of indices of honest parties and $S \subset \mathbb{H}$ (where $|S| \leq n-2t-1$) denote the set of indices of honest parties that produce ballot for v. We show that the adversary learns nothing about $s_i^{(v)}$ for any $i \in \mathbb{H} \setminus S$. This would suffice to show that the adversary learns nothing about $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$. This is because the adversary would have access to at most $t + |S| \leq t + (n - 2t - 1) = n - t - 1$ shares of $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$ (which is shared using threshold (n - t - 1)). Privacy of threshold sharing dictates that the adversary learns nothing about $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$.

Consider an honest party $i \in \mathbb{H} \setminus S$. Suppose party i votes for $v_i \neq v$. Firstly, we argue that the adversary learns nothing about $\mathbf{sk}_{i \to j}^{(v)}$ for any $j \in \mathbb{H}$ as follows : Based on the specifications of vote, honest P_i reveals nothing about $\mathbf{sk}_{i \to j}^{(v)}$. It now follows from the CPA security of the PKE that the adversary learns nothing about $\mathbf{sk}_{i \to j}^{(v)}$ from $\mathbf{tk}_{i \to j}^{(v)}$ (contained in \overline{s}_j). Further, the zero-knowledge property of NIZK generated by honest P_j ensures that the adversary learns nothing about $\mathbf{sk}_{i \to j}^{(v)}$ from $\{\pi_{i \to j}^{(v)}\}$ (contained in \mathbf{pk}_j) and $\pi_{\text{vote},j}$. We can now infer from CPA security of the PKE and zero-knowledge property of the NIZK generated by the honest dealer, that the adversary learns nothing about $\{s_{i \to j}^{(v)}\}_{j \in \mathbb{H}}$ from $\{c_{i \to j}^{(v)}\}_{j \in \mathbb{H}}$ and π_{share} respectively. We can thus conclude that the adversary has access to at most t shares of

We can thus conclude that the adversary has access to at most t shares of $s_i^{(v)}$ which is shared using threshold $(n-2t-1) \ge t$. It now follows from privacy of threshold sharing that the adversary learns nothing about $s_i^{(v)}$; completing the proof.

Identifiability. Suppose (n-t) parties, say constituting the set S_{vote} , produce ballot using the same v. Let \mathbb{H} denote the set of indices corresponding to honest parties.

First, we argue that \perp_i , where $i \in \mathbb{H}$ is output with negligible probability. We observe that this can happen only when one of the following holds (a) NIZK proof π_{share} (if *i* is the dealer) or $\pi_{\text{vote},i}$ or $\pi_{j\to i}^{(v)}$ (for any $j \in [n]$) does not verify or (b) $|S'_i| < n - t$ or (c) *i* is the dealer and $|S_D| < n - t$. First, it directly follows from correctness of NIZK that (a) cannot occur with respect to an honest P_i , except with negligible probability. Next, we note that $\mathbb{H} \subseteq S'_i$. This is because each pair of honest parties will be in agreement with respect to each other's public keys. Thus, $|S'_i| \ge n-t$, implying that (b) cannot hold. Similarly, an honest dealer would also be in agreement with all the honest parties with respect to their public keys. Thus, $|S_D| \ge n-t$, implying that (c) cannot hold. This completes the argument that \perp_i , where $i \in \mathbb{H}$ is output with negligible probability. From the above, we can conclude that when \perp_i is output, $i \notin \mathbb{H}$ with overwhelming probability. Therefore, to complete the proof, it suffices to show that when no cheater is identified, $\mathbf{z}^{(v)}$ is reconstructed.

Suppose no cheating party is identified. Since $|S_D| \ge n - t > 2t$ must hold, S_D constitutes honest parties who must have verified π_{share} by a potentially corrupt dealer. It follows from simulation-soundness of NIZK that the encryptions $\{c_{k\to j}^{(v)}\}_{k,j\in[n]}$ must have indeed been computed correctly. Next, consider $k \in S_{\text{vote}}$ and $j \in S_k$ (where $S_k = S'_k \cap S_D$). Recall that P_k and P_j are in mutual agreement with respect to their pub-

Recall that P_k and P_j are in mutual agreement with respect to their public keys and $(\pi_{vote,k}, \pi_{k\to k}^{(v)})$ sent by P_k and $(\pi_{vote,j}, \pi_{k\to j}^{(v)})$ sent by P_j verified successfully (otherwise a party must have been identified as cheater). Simulation soundness of NIZK ensures that the public key $pk_{k\to k}^{(v)}$ used by P_j to broadcast ciphertext $tk_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ (contained in \overline{s}_j) corresponds to the secret key $sk_{k\to k}^{(v)}$ (contained in \overline{s}_j) broadcast by P_k . It now follows from the correctness of the encryption scheme that $sk_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ is obtained upon decrypting $tk_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ with overwhelming probability. Further, since $j \in S_D$, it follows from simulation-soundness of the NIZK π_{share} and $\pi_{vote,j}$ that the public key $pk_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ (used by dealer for the ciphertext $c_{k\to j}^{(v)}$) corresponds to the secret key $sk_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ is obtained upon decrypting the probability. Further, since $j \in S_D$, it follows from simulation-soundness of the NIZK π_{share} and $\pi_{vote,j}$ that the public key $pk_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ (used by dealer for the ciphertext $c_{k\to j}^{(v)}$) corresponds to the secret key $sk_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ (used by P_j during vote). It thus follows $s_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ is obtained upon decrypting $c_{k\to j}^{(v)}$ with overwhelming probability.

Next, since $|S_k| \ge n - 2t$ and $s_k^{(v)}$ is shared using threshold (n - 2t - 1), it follows from correctness of shamir's threshold sharing that $s_k^{(v)} \ne \bot$ is reconstructed successfully for all $k \in S_{vote}$. Lastly, since $|S_{vote}| \ge n - t$, $\mathbf{z}^{(v)} \ne \bot$ which is shared using threshold (n - t - 1) is also reconstructed successfully (due to correctness of shamir's threshold sharing). This completes the proof.

5 Upper Bounds: P2P-BC, IA, 3t < n

Our upper bounds are based on those of Cohen *et al.* [CGZ20] and Damgård *et al.* [DMR⁺21]. They take a BC-BC protocol Π_{bc} , and *compile* it to the P2P-BC setting. The primary challenge here is making sure that corrupt parties cannot break security by sending different messages to honest parties in the first round. Our compiler makes sure that if corrupt party first-round messages are *consistent enough*, honest party second-round messages are produced on the same set of first-round messages; otherwise, a corrupt party is unanimously identified. To achieve this, we (and the prior works) have each party garble her second-message function, which has her own input hardcoded, and takes as input all the first-round messages she receives. Each party also secret-shares all of the labels for her own garbled circuit. In the second round, over broadcast, parties echo the first-

round messages they received, distribute their garbled circuit, and contribute to label reconstruction (for everyone's garbled circuits) corresponding to the firstround messages they received. If there aren't n-t parties who all echo the same first-round message from a given P_i , honest parties abort blaming P_i ; if there aren't n-t parties who all contribute valid ballots for P_j 's labels, honest parties abort blaming P_j . Note that if an (identifiable) abort happens, reconstruction is allowed to fail.

Using Shamir secret sharing with threshold $s = \frac{3n}{5}$, this leads to a P2P-BC, IA, CRS protocol with $t < \frac{n}{5}$. The reason we have corruption threshold $t = \frac{n}{5}$ and sharing threshold $s = \frac{3n}{5}$ is that we have two constraints:

- 1. In order to prevent the adversary from learning two labels for the same wire by sending different first-round messages to two subsets of the honest parties, we need $s \ge t + \frac{n-t}{2}$.
- 2. In order to ensure that even after (a) t parties echo a different message from party m and (b) a different t parties give bad label shares we still have enough shares to reconstruct, we need s < n 2t. (If only t parties have inconsistent claims with the message sender and a different t parties have inconsistent claims with the label share dealer, we have no idea who to blame, so we have to reconstruct!)

We get

$$t + \frac{n-t}{2} \le s < n-2t$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad t+n < 2n-4t$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 5t < n.$$

However, 5t < n does not match the lower bound from Theorem 1.

To match the lower bound we need a more sophisticated mechanism of sharing such that *all* parties can contribute valid shares of each label, or someone is unanimously identified as a cheater. In Section 4 we construct exactly such a primitive, which we call one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries (1 or O wi). Intuitively, our one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries achieves this goal by having each dealer use all of the parties as intermediaries to all share recipients; if sufficiently many intermediaries don't succeed in helping the dealer G give a share to a recipient P, then either the dealer or the recipient can be identified as corrupt, since they are in conflict with more than t intermediaries (we refer to Section 4 to a more detailed description of how this works).

We are now ready to describe our final protocol with identifiable abort for threshold 3t < n. In the first round (which is over public peer-to-peer channels), the parties send their first-round messages of Π_{bc} along with the public keys produced by the key generation algorithm of 1or0wi. In the second round (which is over broadcast), the parties execute the following steps:

- 1. They compute a garbling of the second-message function of Π_{bc} ;
- 2. they use lorOwi to share the labels of their garbled circuit;

- 3. they use 1or0wi to vote for the labels of the garbled circuits of the other participants based on the first-round messages of Π_{bc} (received in the peer-to-peer round); and
- 4. they echo the first-round messages of Π_{bc} received in the first round.

Before computing the output, each party P_i performs some validations on the echoed messages. Namely, P_i checks that (a) all the parties generated their ballots for each garbled circuit based on the first-round messages that they echoed, and (b) all the parties have mutual successful communication with at least n-t others in the first round. If there is a party P_j that does not pass these checks, party P_i identifies P_j as a cheater. If all of the parties pass the checks, then party P_i invokes the **reconstruct** algorithm of **1or0wi**. If **reconstruct** blames party P_j , P_i aborts and identifies that party as a cheater. Otherwise, P_i reconstructs labels for all the garbled circuits, uses the garbled circuits to obtain the second-round messages of Π_{bc} , and uses those second-round messages to complete the protocol and obtain the computation output.

Roughly speaking, the identifiable abort property is guaranteed since the oneor-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries is secure against active adversaries. Therefore, if the two validations (a) and (b) succeed, we can rely on the properties of **1orOwi** to guarantee that Π_{bc} is executed or a malicious party is identified.

More formally our protocol is described in Figure 5.1 and we assume that the parties have access to the following tools:

Tools.

- A two-round broadcast protocol Π_{bc} achieving security with identifiable abort. (This could, for instance, be the protocol described by Cohen *et al.* [CGZ20].)

 Π_{bc} is represented by the set of functions {frst-msg_i, snd-msg_i, output_i}_{i \in [n]}.

- A garbling scheme (garble, eval, simGC) (defined in Appendix A.4).
- A one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries

1orOwi = (setup, keygen, share, vote, reconstruct) (defined in Section 4).

Notation. Let $C_i(x_i, r_i, \mathsf{msg}_1^1, \ldots, \mathsf{msg}_n^1)$ denote the boolean circuit that takes P_i 's input x_i , randomness r_i and the first round messages $\mathsf{msg}_1^1, \ldots, \mathsf{msg}_n^1$, and outputs msg_i^2 . For simplicity assume that (x_i, r_i) consists of z bits, and each first round message is ℓ bits long, so each circuit has $L = z + n \cdot \ell$ input bits. Note that C_i is public. Let g be the size of a garbled C_i .

Figure 5.1: $\Pi_{p2pbc}^{id-abort}$ with n > 3t

Private input. Every party P_i has a private input $x_i \in \{0,1\}^*$ and randomness $r_i \in \{0,1\}^*$.

Setup.

- CRS setup for one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries: $crs \leftarrow \mathtt{setup}(1^{\lambda}).$ - Setup for Π_{bc} (which includes CRS when instantiated using the proto col of [CGZ20]). a

First Round. Each party P_i does the following:

- 1. Let $(\mathbf{sk}_i, \mathbf{pk}_i) \leftarrow \operatorname{keygen}(1^{\lambda})$, where $\mathbf{pk}_i = \{\mathbf{pk}_i^{(1)}\}$ $(\mathbf{pk}_i^{(1,1)},\ldots,\mathbf{pk}_i^{(1,L)}),\ldots,\mathbf{pk}_i^{(n)} = (\mathbf{pk}_i^{(n,1)},\ldots,\mathbf{pk}_i^{(n,L)})\}$ is a vector of $n\mathbf{L}$ public keys with the corresponding vector of secret keys $\mathbf{sk}_i =$ $\left\{\mathbf{sk}_{i}^{(1)} = (\mathbf{sk}_{i}^{(1,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{sk}_{i}^{(1,\mathsf{L})}), \dots, \mathbf{sk}_{i}^{(n)} = (\mathbf{sk}_{i}^{(n,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{sk}_{i}^{(n,\mathsf{L})})\right\}$ (We abuse notation slightly by assuming that $keygen(1^{\lambda})$ outputs a vector of public keys and secret keys; we do this for simplicity)
- 2. Let $\mathsf{msg}_i^1 \leftarrow \mathsf{frst-msg}_i(x_i, r_i)$ be P_i 's first round message in Π_{bc} .
- 3. Send (pk_i, msg_i^1) to P_j for $j \in [n]$.

Second Round. Each party P_i does the following:

We specify multiple broadcast messages separately for clarity; however, they are all sent

- simultaneously as a single round of communication. 1. Let $pk_{j\rightarrow i} = \{pk_{j\rightarrow i}^{(1)}, \dots, pk_{j\rightarrow i}^{(n)}\}$ denote the pk_j received privately from P_j $(j \in [n])$, where $pk_{j\rightarrow i}^{(k)} = (pk_{j\rightarrow i}^{(k,1)}, \dots, pk_{j\rightarrow i}^{(k,L)})$ for $k \in [n]$. 2. Compute $(GC_i, \vec{K}_i) \leftarrow garble(1^{\lambda}, C_i; R_i)$, where $\vec{K}_i =$
 - $\{K_{i\,l}^{(0)}, K_{i\,l}^{(1)}\}_{l \in [\mathsf{L}]}$
- 3. For every $l \in [z+1,\ldots,\mathsf{L}]$, let $s_{i,l} \leftarrow \mathtt{share}(crs,\mathtt{pk}_{1\to i}^{(i,l)},\ldots,\mathtt{pk}_{n\to i}^{(i,l)})$
- $\begin{array}{l} K_{i,l}^{(0)}, K_{i,l}^{(1)}). \text{ Broadcast } \{s_{i,l}\}_{l \in [z+1,\dots, L]}. \\ 4. \text{ Let } (\nu_{i,z+1}, \dots, \nu_{i, L}) \quad \text{denote } \text{ the } \text{ bits } \text{ comprising } \\ (\mathsf{msg}_{1 \to i}^1, \dots, \mathsf{msg}_{n \to i}^1), \text{ where } \mathsf{msg}_{j \to i}^1 \text{ refers } \text{ to } \mathsf{msg}_j^1 \text{ received } \end{array}$ from P_i in Round 1.
- 5. For each $k \in [n]$ and $l \in [z+1, L]$: Compute and broadcast $\overline{s}_{i,l}^{(k)} \leftarrow$ $\mathtt{vote}(crs,\mathtt{sk}_i^{(k,l)},\mathtt{pk}_{1\to i}^{(k,l)},\ldots,\mathtt{pk}_{n\to i}^{(k,l)},\nu_{i,l}).$ Broadcast own garbled circuit:
- 6. Let $(\nu_{i,1}, \ldots, \nu_{i,z})$ denote the bits corresponding to (x_i, r_i) .
- 7. For $l \in [z]$, let $K_{i,l} = K_{i,l}^{(\nu_{i,l})}$.
- 8. Broadcast $(GC_i, \{K_{i,l}\}_{l \in [z]})$.
- Echo first-round messages: 9. Broadcast $(\mathsf{msg}_{1\to i}^1, \ldots, \mathsf{msg}_{n\to i}^1)$. Let $\mathsf{msg}_i^1 = \mathsf{msg}_{i \to i}^1$ denote the party's own first-round message.

Output Computation. Each party P_i does the following:

If there is a party who did not generate ballots for each garbled circuit based on the first-round messages that she echoed, blame that party:

1. For $j \in [n]$: Check if $\{\mathsf{msg}_{k \to j}^1\}_{k \in [n]}$ broadcast by P_j is consistent with $\{\overline{s}_{j,l}^{(k)}\}_{k\in[n],l\in[z+1,L]}$. Output abort_j if the check fails. Else, set $(\nu_{j,z+1},\ldots,\nu_{j,\mathsf{L}})$ as the bits comprising $(\mathsf{msg}_{1\to j}^1,\ldots,\mathsf{msg}_{n\to j}^1)$. If there is a party who did not have mutual successful communication with at least

n-t others in the first round, blame that party:

2. For $j \in [n]$: If there does not exist a set $|S_j| \ge n - t$ such that, for $k \in S_j$, $\mathsf{msg}_{i \to k}^1 = \mathsf{msg}_i^1$ holds; output abort_j.

Decrypt the shares:

- 3. For $k \in [n]$ (whose garbled circuit we will now consider):
 - (a) For $l \in [z + 1, L]$, compute $K_{k,l} \in$ reconstruct $(crs, s_{k,l}, (\mathbf{pk}_1^{(k,l)}, v_{1,l}, \overline{s}_{1,l}^{(k)}), \dots, (\mathbf{pk}_n^{(k,l)}, v_{n,l}, \overline{s}_{n,l}^{(k,l)})$. If reconstruct returns \perp_{id} , output abort_{id}. Else, continue.
 - (b) Evaluate $msg_k^2 \leftarrow eval(GC_k, (K_{k,1}, \ldots, K_{k,L}))$. If the evaluation fails, output $abort_k$.
- 4. Output $y \leftarrow \operatorname{output}_i(x_i, r_i, \operatorname{\mathsf{msg}}_1^1, \dots, \operatorname{\mathsf{msg}}_n^1, \operatorname{\mathsf{msg}}_1^2, \dots, \operatorname{\mathsf{msg}}_n^2)$.

P2P-BC, IA, $t < \frac{n}{3}$ secure computation in the CRS model.

^{*a*}For simplicity (to avoid introducing additional notation), we assume implicitly that the set of functions {frst-msg_i, snd-msg_i, output_i}_{i \in [n]} of Π_{bc} use the relevant setup information.

Theorem 7 (P2P-BC, ID, CRS, n > 3t). Let f be an efficiently computable n-party function and let n > 3t. Let Π_{bc} be a BC-BC, ID, CRS protocol that securely computes f with the additional constraint that the straight-line simulator can extract inputs from corrupt parties' first-round messages. Assuming that (garble, eval, simGC) is a secure garbling scheme, and (setup, keygen, share, vote, reconstruct) is a secure one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries. Then, $\Pi_{p2pbc}^{id-abort}$ securely computes f with identifiable abort over two rounds, the first of which is over peer-to-peer channels, and the second of which is over a broadcast and peer-to-peer channels.

Proof. Let \mathbb{A} and \mathbb{H} be, respectively, the set of corrupt parties and the set of honest parties.

We assume that \mathcal{A} is deterministic and that the output of \mathcal{A} consists of her entire view during the protocol, i.e., the auxiliary information, the input and the CRS setup (which includes the CRS setup if required by the underlying protocol Π_{bc}) of all corrupt parties, and the messages received by honest parties during the protocol. We start by giving the description of the receiver specific adversary and then of our simulator \mathcal{S} .

Figure 5.2: The Receiver Specific Adversary \mathcal{A}_q

Setup.

 $-\mathcal{A}_q$ runs setup for one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries: $crs \leftarrow \mathtt{setup}(1^{\lambda})$. The setup of the underlying protocol $\Pi_{\mathtt{bc}}$ is also run.

First Round. For each $i \in \mathbb{H}$, upon receiving the first-broadcast- round message msg_i^1 from an honest party P_i in Π_{bc} ; \mathcal{A}_q computes the following steps:

1. Let
$$(\mathbf{sk}_i, \mathbf{pk}_i) \leftarrow \text{keygen}(1^{\lambda})$$
, where $\mathbf{pk}_i = \{\mathbf{pk}_i^{(1)} = (\mathbf{pk}_i^{(1,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{pk}_i^{(n,L)}), \dots, \mathbf{pk}_i^{(n)} = (\mathbf{pk}_i^{(n,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{pk}_i^{(n,L)})\}$ is a vector of

 $\begin{array}{l} n \mathsf{L} \text{ public keys with the corresponding vector of secret keys } \mathsf{sk}_i = \\ \big\{ \mathsf{sk}_i^{(1)} = (\mathsf{sk}_i^{(1,1)}, \ldots, \mathsf{sk}_i^{(1,\mathsf{L})}), \ldots, \mathsf{sk}_i^{(n)} = (\mathsf{sk}_i^{(n,1)}, \ldots, \mathsf{sk}_i^{(n,\mathsf{L})}) \big\} \\ 2. \text{ Send } (\mathsf{pk}_i, \mathsf{msg}_i^1) \text{ to } \mathcal{A} \text{ in } \Pi_{\mathsf{p2pbc}}^{\mathsf{id-abort}}. \end{array}$

- 3. For each party P_j s.t. $j \in \mathbb{A}$: Let $\{\mathsf{msg}_{j \to i}^1\}_{i \in \mathbb{H}, j \in \mathbb{A}}$ be the messages received by S by A in the first round. If at least $(\frac{1}{3}+1)$ fraction of these messages are consistent w.r.t. a same message $m\bar{s}g^1$ then \mathcal{A}_q sets $\mathsf{msg}_{j}^{1} = \mathsf{msg}^{1}$, otherwise she sets $\mathsf{msg}_{j}^{1} = \mathsf{msg}_{j \to q}$. \mathcal{A}_{q} broadcasts $\operatorname{\mathsf{msg}}_{i}^{1}$ in Π_{bc} .

Second Round. For each $i \in \mathbb{H}$, upon receiving the second-broadcastround message msg_i^2 from an honest party P_i in Π_{bc} ; \mathcal{A}_q computes the following steps:

We specify multiple broadcast messages separately for clarity; however, they are all sent simultaneously as a single round of communication.

- 1. Let $p\mathbf{k}_{j\to i} = \{p\mathbf{k}_{j\to i}^{(1)}, \dots, p\mathbf{k}_{j\to i}^{(n)}\}$ denote the $p\mathbf{k}_j$ received privately from P_j $(j \in [n])$, where $p\mathbf{k}_{j\to i}^{(k)} = (p\mathbf{k}_{j\to i}^{(k,1)}, \dots, p\mathbf{k}_{j\to i}^{(k,\mathsf{L})})$ for $k \in [n]$. 2. Let $(\nu_{i,z+1}, \dots, \nu_{i,\mathsf{L}})$ denote the bits comprising $(\mathsf{msg}_{1\to i}^1, \dots, \mathsf{msg}_{n\to i}^1)$, where $\mathsf{msg}_{j\to i}^1$ refers to msg_j^1 received from P_j in Round 1.
- 3. For each $k \in \mathbb{A}$ and $l \in [z+1, L]$: Compute and broadcast (in $\Pi_{p2pbc}^{id-abort}$ to \mathcal{A}) $(\overline{s}_{i,l}^{(k)}) \leftarrow \texttt{vote}(crs, \texttt{sk}_i^{(k,l)}, \texttt{pk}_{1 \rightarrow i}^{(k,l)}, \dots, \texttt{pk}_{n \rightarrow i}^{(k,l)}, \nu_{i,l})$
- 4. Let C_i be the circuit computing $\operatorname{snd-msg}_i$ run $(GC_i, \{\tilde{K}_{i,l}\}_{l \in [L]}) \leftarrow$ $\operatorname{sim}\operatorname{GC}(1^{\lambda}, \operatorname{C}_i, \operatorname{msg}_i^2).$
- 5. For every $l \in [z + 1, ..., L]$, broadcast $s_{i,l} \leftarrow \text{share}(crs, pk_{1 \rightarrow i}^{(i,l)}, \dots, pk_{n \rightarrow i}^{(i,l)}, K_{i,l}^{(0)}, K_{i,l}^{(1)})$, where $K_{i,l}^{\nu_{i,l}} = \tilde{K}_{i,l}$ and $K_{i,l}^{1-\nu_{i,l}}$ is chosen at
- 6. Broadcast $(GC_i, \{\tilde{K}_{i,l}\}_{l \in [z]})$ in $\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\mathsf{id-abort}}$ to \mathcal{A} .
- 7. Broadcast $(\mathsf{msg}_{1 \to i}^1, \dots, \mathsf{msg}_{n \to i}^1)$ in $\Pi_{\mathsf{p2pbc}}^{\mathsf{id-abort}}$ to \mathcal{A} .

Output Computation. S on behalf of each party P_i , where $i \in \mathbb{H}$, does the following:

- 1. For $j \in [n]$: $\nu_{j,l}^{(k)}$ is not Check if $\{\mathsf{msg}_{k \to j}^1\}_{k \in [n]}$ broadcast by P_j is consistent with $\{\overline{s}_{j,l}^{(k)}\}_{k \in [n], l \in [z+1,L]}$. Output abort_j if the check fails. Decrypt the shares:
- 2. For $k \in [n]$ (whose garbled circuit we will now consider):
- For $l \in [z + 1, L], K_{k,l} \leftarrow$ reconstruct $(crs, s_{k,l}, (\mathsf{pk}_1^{(k,l)}, v_{1,l}, \overline{s}_{1,l}^{(k)}), \dots, (\mathsf{pk}_n^{(k,l)}, v_{n,l}, \overline{s}_{n,l}^{(k,l)}).$ (a) For (b) Evaluate $\mathsf{msg}_k^2 \leftarrow \mathsf{eval}(\mathsf{GC}_k, (K_{k,1}, \dots, K_{k,\mathsf{L}})).$
- 3. Finally, \mathcal{A}_q broadcasts the messages msg_j^2 for every corrupt P_j in Π_{bc} , outputs whatever \mathcal{A} outputs, and halts.

By the security of Π_{bc} , for every $q \in \mathbb{A}$ there exists a simulator S_q for the adversarial strategy \mathcal{A}_q such that for every auxiliary information **aux** and input vector $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ it holds that ideal world and real world are computationally indistinguishable. Every simulator S_q starts by extracting corrupt parties' input values $\vec{x'_k} = \{x'_{i,k}\}_{i \in \mathbb{A}}$, and sending them to her trusted party. Upon receiving the output value y, the simulator S_q sends a message $\mathtt{abort}_j/\mathtt{continue}$ (for some $j \in \mathbb{A}$), and finally outputs the simulated view of the adversary, consisting of its input and the simulated messages of $\Pi_{\mathtt{bc}}$:

$$\hat{view}_q = \{ \hat{aux}^q, \{ (x_i^q, r_i^q) \}_{i \in \mathbb{A}}, \hat{msg}_1^{1,q}, \dots, \hat{msg}_n^{1,q}, \hat{msg}_1^{2,q}, \dots, \hat{msg}_n^{2,q} \}.$$

Our simulator S will make use of S_{RS} that is the simulator S_q where q is the minimal index s.t. $q \in \mathbb{H}$.

Figure 5.3: Simulator S

The simulator S starts by invoking S_{RS} and simulating for S_{RS} the interaction with \mathcal{A}_q making use of the adversary \mathcal{A} as described above. Sreceives back (from S_{RS}) $\vec{x} = \{x_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{A}}$ or an $abort_j$, for some $j \in \mathbb{A}$. Ssimulates the interaction between S_{RS} and the ideal functionality, relying on the trusted third party that computes \mathcal{F} . Specifically, S forwards the messages (e.g. extracted inputs or abort messages) that she receives from S_{RS} to the trusted third party, and if S_{RS} did not abort she receives y in response. S forwards y to S_{RS} which outputs the simulated view:

$$\hat{view}_{RS} = \{ \hat{aux}, \{ (x_i, r_i) \}_{i \in \mathbb{A}}, \hat{msg}_1^1, \dots, \hat{msg}_n^1, \hat{msg}_1^2, \dots, \hat{msg}_n^2 \}.$$

After invoking S_{RS} (as described above) to get simulated honest party first round messages, the simulator S executes the following steps. Note that because the adversary A is deterministic, the executions above and below will always result in the same adversarial behavior (and transcript) up until the second round.

Setup.

- CRS setup for one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries : $crs \leftarrow \mathtt{setup}(1^{\lambda})$. The setup of the underlying protocol $\Pi_{\mathtt{bc}}$ is also run.

First Round. S on behalf of each party P_i , where $i \in \mathbb{H}$, does the following:

1. Let $(\mathbf{sk}_i, \mathbf{pk}_i) \leftarrow \operatorname{keygen}(1^{\lambda})$, where $\mathbf{pk}_i = \{\mathbf{pk}_i^{(1)} = (\mathbf{pk}_i^{(1,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{pk}_i^{(1,L)}), \dots, \mathbf{pk}_i^{(n)} = (\mathbf{pk}_i^{(n,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{pk}_i^{(n,L)})\}$ is a vector of nL public keys with the corresponding vector of secret keys $\mathbf{sk}_i = \{\mathbf{sk}_i^{(1)} = (\mathbf{sk}_i^{(1,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{sk}_i^{(1,L)}), \dots, \mathbf{sk}_i^{(n)} = (\mathbf{sk}_i^{(n,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{sk}_i^{(n,L)})\}$.

2. Send (pk_i, \hat{msg}_i) to P_j for $j \in \mathbb{A}$.

Second Round. Let $\{\mathsf{msg}_{j\to i}^1\}_{i\in\mathbb{H},j\in\mathbb{A}}$ be the messages received by \mathcal{S} by \mathcal{A} in the first round. If at least $(\frac{1}{3}+1)$ fraction of these messages are consistent for all $j\in\mathbb{A}$, \mathcal{S} sets flag = 1, otherwise she sets flag = 0. \mathcal{S} on behalf of each party P_i , where $i\in\mathbb{H}$, does the following:

We specify multiple broadcast messages separately for clarity; however, they are all sent simultaneously as a single round of communication.

- 1. Let $pk_{j\to i} = \{pk_{j\to i}^{(1)}, \dots, pk_{j\to i}^{(n)}\}$ denote the pk_j received privately from P_j $(j \in [n])$, where $pk_{j\to i}^{(k)} = (pk_{j\to i}^{(k,1)}, \dots, pk_{j\to i}^{(k,L)})$ for $k \in [n]$. 2. Let $(\nu_{i,z+1}, \dots, \nu_{i,L})$ denote the bits comprising $(\mathsf{msg}_{1\to i}^1, \dots, \mathsf{msg}_{n\to i}^1)$, where $\mathsf{msg}_{j\to i}^1$ refers to msg_j^1 received from P_j in Round 1.
- 3. For each $k \in \mathbb{A}$ and $l \in [z+1, L]$: Compute and broadcast $\overline{s}_{i,l}^{(k)} \leftarrow \operatorname{vote}(crs, \operatorname{sk}_i^{(k,l)}, \operatorname{pk}_{1 \to i}^{(k,l)}, \dots, \operatorname{pk}_{n \to i}^{(k,l)}, \nu_{i,l}).$ 4. For $l \in [z+1, L]$
- - (a) If flag = 0 then let C_i be the circuit computing snd-msg_i run $(\mathsf{GC}_i, \{\tilde{K}_{i,l}\}_{l \in [\mathsf{L}]}) \leftarrow \mathsf{sim}\mathsf{GC}(1^\lambda, \mathsf{C}_i, 0^L) \text{ and send abort}_i$ to the trusted third party.
 - (b) Otherwise run $(\mathsf{GC}_i, \{\tilde{K}_{i,l}\}_{l \in [\mathsf{L}]}) \leftarrow \mathsf{sim}\mathsf{GC}(1^{\lambda}, \mathsf{C}_i, \mathsf{msg}_i^2).$
- 5. For every $l \in [z + 1, ..., L]$, broadcast $s_{i,l} \leftarrow \text{share}(crs, pk_{1 \rightarrow i}^{(i,l)}, \dots, pk_{n \rightarrow i}^{(i,l)}, K_{i,l}^{(0)}, K_{i,l}^{(1)})$, where $K_{i,l}^{\nu_{i,l}} = \tilde{K}_{i,l}$ and $K_{i,l}^{1-\nu_{i,l}}$ is chosen at random.
- 6. Broadcast $(GC_i, \{K_{i,l}\}_{l \in [z]})$.
- 7. Broadcast $(\mathsf{msg}_{1\to i}^1, \ldots, \mathsf{msg}_{n\to i}^1)$.

Output Computation. S on behalf of each party P_i , where $i \in \mathbb{H}$, does the following:

If there is a party who did not generate ballots for each garbled circuit based on the first-round messages that she echoed, blame that party:

- 1. For $j \in [n]$: Check if $\{\mathsf{msg}_{k \to j}^1\}_{k \in [n]}$ broadcast by P_j is consistent with $\{\overline{s}_{j,l}^{(k)}\}_{k\in[n],l\in[z+1,L]}$. Output abort_j if the check fails. Else, set $(\nu_{j,z+1},\ldots,\nu_{j,\mathsf{L}})$ as the bits comprising $(\mathsf{msg}^1_{1\to j},\ldots,\mathsf{msg}^1_{n\to j})$.
- 2. For $j \in [n]$: If there does not exist a set $|S_j| \ge n t$ such that, for $k \in S_j$, $\mathsf{msg}_{j \to k}^1 = \mathsf{msg}_j^1$ holds; send \mathtt{abort}_j to the trusted third party.
- 3. For $k \in [n]$ (whose garbled circuit we will now consider):
 - (a) For each $l \in [z + 1, ..., L]$: Compute $K_{k,l} \leftarrow$ reconstruct $(crs, s_{k,l}, (\mathbf{pk}_1^{(k,l)}, v_{1,l}, \overline{s}_{1,l}^{(k)}), ..., (\mathbf{pk}_n^{(k,l)}, v_{n,l}, \overline{s}_{n,l}^{(k,l)}).$ i. If reconstruct returns (\bot, id) , output abort_{id}.
 - (b) Evaluate $\mathsf{msg}_k^2 \leftarrow \mathsf{eval}(\mathsf{GC}_k, (K_{k,1}, \ldots, K_{k,\mathsf{L}}))$. If evaluation fails send $abort_k$ to the trusted third party.
- 4. If \mathcal{S} did not abort sends continue to the trusted third party.
- 5. S outputs the output of A and terminates.

We now define a series of hybrid experiments in order to prove that the joint distribution of the output of \mathcal{A} and the output of the honest parties in the ideal execution is computationally indistinguishable from the joint distribution of the output of \mathcal{A} and the output of honest parties in a real protocol execution. The hybrid experiments are listed below. The output of the experiments is defined as the output of \mathcal{A} and the output of the honest parties.

- 1. $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}$: In this experiment, the simulator \mathcal{S}_0 has access to the internal state of the trusted party computing \mathcal{F} , therefore \mathcal{S}_0 can see the input values of honest parties and chooses the output values of the honest parties. In the execution of $\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}$ the simulator is interacting with \mathcal{A} on behalf of the honest parties. The output of this hybrid experiment is the output of the honest parties and the output of \mathcal{A} in the execution of $\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}$ explained above. It follows trivially that the output of $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}$ and the output of the real world experiment are identically distributed.
- 2. $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^{1}$: In this experiment $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^{0}$ is modified as follows. The simulator S_1 start invoking S_{RS} on her input and receiving back $\vec{x} = \{x_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{A}}$ or an abort_i , for some $i \in \mathbb{A}$. S_1 simulates the interaction between S_{RS} and the ideal functionality relying on the trusted third party. Specifically, S_1 forwards the message that she received from S_{RS} to \mathcal{F} and if S_{RS} did not abort she receives back y. S_1 forwards y to S_{RS} .

Let $\{\mathsf{msg}_{j\to i}^1\}_{j\in\mathbb{A}}$ be the set of messages received from \mathcal{A} in Round 1, from all $i \in \mathbb{H}$. S_1 checks that if at least $(\frac{1}{3}+1)$ fraction of these messages are consistent then S_1 sets flag = 1, otherwise S_1 sends abort_j to the trusted third party after that the second round is played (as an honest player and Swould do).

 S_1 executes also the same checks that the ideal world simulator S (described above) in steps 1, 2, 3(a)i and 3b does. If one of the checks fail S_1 aborts identifying the cheater according to the strategy of S in the corresponding steps.

Claim. $\text{Expt}^{0}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{\text{p2pbc}}}$ and $\text{Expt}^{1}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{\text{p2pbc}}}$ are computationally indistinguishable.

Proof (Sketch). In $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^{0}$ the honest parties output abort_{j} if \mathcal{A} , on behalf of some malicious party P_{j} does not send consistent first-round messages of Π_{bc} to at least $(\frac{1}{3}+1)$ fraction of honest parties. Note that if P_{j} does not send consistent first-round messages of Π_{bc} to at least $(\frac{1}{3}+1)$ fraction of honest parties, then even in $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}$, honest parties abort identifying P_{j} (as in such a case, P_{j} 's first-round message will be echoed by fewer than (n-t) parties).

If the check described above did not fail, then \mathcal{A} recovers the garbled circuits and labels of the honest parties and therefore \mathcal{A} gets to learn the output. At this point \mathcal{A} could sends labels and garbled circuits on behalf of dishonest parties. If the garbled circuit evaluation fails corresponding to garbler P_j or the ballots for the one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries are generated inconsistently w.r.t. the first-round messages, honest parties abort identifying the cheater j or k respectively (as described for the honest parties and \mathcal{S}) in $\text{Expt}^0_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{\text{Pppbe}}}$. Finally, we note that if the reconstruction fails (check 3(a)i of \mathcal{S}) both \mathcal{S}_0 that \mathcal{S}_1 can identify the cheater due to the identifiability property of the one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries. In this case in $\text{Expt}^1_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}}$ one of the checks in steps 1, 2, 3(a)i and 3b of S fail and therefore S_1 in $\text{Expt}^1_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ sends abort_j , or abort_{id} or abort_k to \mathcal{F} accordingly. We conclude that honest parties aborts (identifying the correct cheater) in $\text{Expt}^1_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ only when the honest parties are aborting in $\text{Expt}^0_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$. If all the checks above did not fail then it is possible to claim that $\text{Expt}^0_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ and $\text{Expt}^1_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ are computationally indistinguishable relying on the security of Π_{bc} .

3. $\operatorname{Expt}^{2}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\operatorname{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$: This experiment proceeds as the experiment $\operatorname{Expt}^{1}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\operatorname{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ except that for the honest parties, \mathcal{S}_{2} executes share following the steps 5 described for \mathcal{S} .

Claim. $\text{Expt}^2_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{\text{p2pbc}}}$ and $\text{Expt}^1_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{\text{p2pbc}}}$ are computationally indistinguishable.

The proof proceeds via $|\mathbb{H}| + 1$ hybrids arguments: in the *i*-th hybrid experiment, honest party P_h with $h \leq i$ executes **share** as in $\text{Expt}^2_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{\text{p2pbc}}}$, and for h > i executes **share** as in $\text{Expt}^1_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{\text{p2pbc}}}$. It follows from the security properties of one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries that two consecutive hybrids are computationally indistinguishable. In more detail, let us consider the labels $K^0_{h,v}, K^1_{h,v}$ for the garbled circuit of the honest party P_h and specifically for a wire v, where v corresponds to the input of some malicious party P_j (i.e. to the messages $\mathsf{msg}^1_{j \to h}$). We analyze the following cases:

- (a) In the first round A (on behalf of P_j) sends to the honest parties more than ¹/₃ + 1 fraction of first round messages of Π_{bc} that are consistent w.r.t. a same message, say msg¹/_j. Therefore more than half of the honest parties will runs vote w.r.t. the same bits b_v, where b_v corresponds to the vth bit of msg¹/_j. In this case from the privacy of the one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries we are guaranteed that no-information will be revealed about K^{1-b_v}_{h,v} (which in Expt⁴_{A,A,Π^{id-abott} mill corresponds to the label that we are not giving as input to the simulator of the garbled circuit).}
- (b) If conditions 3a does not verify i.e. less then $\frac{1}{3}$ fraction of the parties voted for the same bit, the privacy of one-or-nothing secret sharing with intermediaries guarantees that the adversary learns none of the labels.

The same analysis can be conducted for the wire of the garbled circuits of party ${\cal P}_h.$

The proof conclude observing that the 0-th hybrid corresponds to $\text{Expt}^{1}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abor}}_{\text{polycond}}}$

and the $|\mathbb{H}|$ -th corresponds to $\mathtt{Expt}^2_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\mathsf{id-abort}}_{\mathtt{p2pbc}}}$.

4. $\operatorname{Expt}^{3}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\operatorname{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$: This experiment proceeds as the experiment $\operatorname{Expt}^{2}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\operatorname{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ except that the garbled circuits corresponding to the honest parties are computed using the simulated procedure simGC. In more detail, \mathcal{S}_4 executes, for all $h \in \mathbb{H}$, $(\operatorname{GC}_h, \{\tilde{K}_{h,l}\}_{l \in [L]}) \leftarrow \operatorname{simGC}(1^{\lambda}, \operatorname{C}_h, \operatorname{msg}^2_h)$, where msg^2_h is the message computed by P_h in the execution of Π_{bc} and C_h is the circuit snd-msg_h. Claim. $\text{Expt}^2_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ and $\text{Expt}^3_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ are computationally indistinguishable.

Proof (Sketch). The proof proceeds via $|\mathbb{H}| + 1$ hybrids arguments: in the *i*-th hybrid experiment the garbled circuit of honest party P_h with $h \leq i$ are simulated as in $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{\text{p2pbc}}^{\text{id-abort}}}$ and for h > i are computed as in $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{\text{p2pbc}}^{\text{id-abort}}}$. In order to claim that two neighboring hybrids are computationally indistinguishable we can rely on security of garbling scheme. The proof conclude observing that the 0-th hybrid corresponds to $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{\text{p2pbc}}^{\text{id-abort}}}$ and the $|\mathbb{H}|$ -th corresponds to $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{\text{p2pbc}}^{\text{id-abort}}}$.

5. $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{\operatorname{p2pbc}}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}$: in this experiment $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{\operatorname{p2pbc}}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}$ is modified as follows. Let C_h be the circuit $\operatorname{snd-msg}_h$. if \mathcal{A} , on behalf of some malicious party j sends more than $\frac{1}{3}$ fraction of inconsistent first round messages of Π_{bc} then \mathcal{S}_4 P_h (for all $h \in \mathbb{H}$) executes ($\operatorname{GC}_h, \{\tilde{K}_{h,l}\}_{l\in[L]}$) $\leftarrow \operatorname{simGC}(1^{\lambda}, \operatorname{C}_h, 0^L,)$ (i.e. she garbles the circuit on a dummy output); otherwise she executes ($\operatorname{GC}_h, \{\tilde{K}_{h,l}\}_{l\in[L]}$) $\leftarrow \operatorname{simGC}(1^{\lambda}, \operatorname{C}_h, \operatorname{msg}_h^2)$, where msg_h^2 is the message computed by P_h in the execution of Π_{bc} and C_h is the circuit snd-msg}.

Claim. $\text{Expt}^3_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ and $\text{Expt}^4_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi^{\text{id-abort}}_{p2pbc}}$ are computationally indistinguishable.

Proof (Sketch). This proceeds via hybrid experiments similar as in the proof of Claim 4, the only extra observation is that in both in $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{\text{p2pbc}}^{\text{id-abort}}}^{4}$ that in $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{\text{p2pbc}}^{\text{id-abort}}}^{4}$ does not learn all the labels for the garbled circuit if the \mathcal{A} on behalf of some malicious party j sends more than $\frac{1}{3}$ of inconsistent 1st round messages of Π_{bc} . Note that due to partial evaluation resiliency property of the garbled circuit if \mathcal{A} does not learn all the labels, \mathcal{A} is not able to evaluate the garbled circuit of the honest party P_h .

6. $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^{5}$: This experiment proceeds as the experiment $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^{5}$ except that instead of computing the messages of Π_{bc} using honest parties inputs, the simulator \mathcal{S}_{5} uses the messages given as output by \mathcal{S}_{RS} . In more detail: For all $h \in \mathbb{H}$ in the first round: \mathcal{S}_{5} sends \mathfrak{msg}_{h}^{1} ; in the second round \mathcal{S}_{5} computes $(\operatorname{GC}_{h}, \{\tilde{K}_{h,l}\}_{l\in[L]}) \leftarrow \operatorname{sim}\operatorname{GC}(1^{\lambda}, \operatorname{C}_{h}, \operatorname{msg}_{h}^{2})$ (If for all $j \in \mathbb{A}$ \mathcal{A} sends at least $\frac{1}{3} + 1$ of consistent 1st round messages of Π_{bc}) and executes vote w.r.t. the messages $\{\operatorname{msg}_{h}^{1}\}_{h\in\mathbb{H}}$.

Claim. $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\text{id-abort}}}^{5}$ and $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\text{id-abort}}}^{4}$ are computationally indistinguishable.

Proof (Sketch). In $\text{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\text{id-abort}}}^5$ the adversary learns the second messages of Π_{bc} w.r.t. the honest parties only when the for all $j \in \mathbb{A}$ \mathcal{A} sends at least $\frac{1}{3} + 1$ fraction of consistent 1st round messages of Π_{bc} . Therefore, the

indistinguishability between $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^4$ and $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^5$ follows from the security of Π_{bc} . In more detail, any distinguisher between $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^5$ and $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p2pbc}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}^4$ can be used to distinguish between \mathcal{S}_{RS} and a real execution with the receiver-specific adversary. As observed in [CGZ20], the proof crucially rely on the ability of the simulator \mathcal{S}_{RS} to extract the adversary's input from her first round of Π_{bc} .

The proof ends observing that in $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p^{2pbc}}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}} \mathcal{S}_{5}$ does not need anymore to have access to the internal state of the trusted third party that computes \mathcal{F} and therefore $\operatorname{Expt}_{\mathbb{A},\mathcal{A},\Pi_{p^{2pbc}}^{\operatorname{id-abort}}}$ and the ideal world experiment are identically distributed.

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A Building Blocks

In this section we define the building blocks necessary for our protocols.

A.1 Symmetric Key Encryption

Definition 7 (Symmetric-Key Encryption (SKE)). A symmetric-key encryption (SKE) scheme is a tuple of efficient algorithms SKE = (keygen, enc, dec) defined as follows.

 $keygen(1^{\lambda}) \rightarrow sk$: The probabilistic algorithm keygen takes as input the security parameter $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$, and outputs a secret key sk.

 $enc(sk, msg; r) \rightarrow c$: The probabilistic algorithm enc takes as input the secret key pk, a message msg $\in \mathcal{M}$, and implicit randomness $\rho \in \mathcal{R}$, and outputs a ciphertext c = enc(sk, msg; r). The set of all ciphertexts is denoted by \mathcal{C} . $dec(sk, c) \rightarrow msg$: The deterministic algorithm dec takes as input the secret key sk and a ciphertext $c \in \mathcal{C}$ and outputs msg = dec(sk, c) which is either equal to some message msg $\in \mathcal{M}$ or to an error symbol \perp .

We require the following properties of a symmetric encryption scheme:

Correctness. We say that SKE satisfies correctness if for all $\mathbf{sk} \leftarrow \mathbf{keygen}(1^{\lambda})$,

 $\Pr[\operatorname{dec}(\operatorname{sk}, \operatorname{enc}(\operatorname{sk}, \operatorname{msg})) = \operatorname{msg}] \ge 1 - negl(\lambda)$

(where the randomness is taken over the internal coin tosses of algorithm enc).

Semantic Security. We say that SKE satisfies semantic security if for all PPT adversaries \mathcal{A} , for $(\mathsf{msg}_0, \mathsf{msg}_1) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(1^{\lambda})$, if $|\mathsf{msg}_0| = |\mathsf{msg}_1|$,

$$\Pr\left[\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{A}(c) = b: \\ & c \leftarrow \texttt{enc}(\texttt{sk}, \texttt{msg}_b); \end{aligned} \right] \leq \frac{1}{2} + negl(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

(where the randomness is taken over the internal coin tosses of \mathcal{A} , keygen and enc).

Instantiation. For our constructions, we use SKE with deterministic encryption (such as one-time pad encryption) which satisfies perfect correctness.

A.2 Public Key Encryption

Definition 8 (Public-Key Encryption (PKE)). A public-key encryption (*PKE*) scheme is a tuple of efficient algorithms PKE = (keygen, enc, dec) defined as follows.

 $\begin{aligned} & \texttt{keygen}(1^{\lambda}) \to (\texttt{pk},\texttt{sk}): \text{ The probabilistic algorithm keygen takes as input the} \\ & \texttt{security parameter } \lambda \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ and outputs a public/secret key pair } (\texttt{pk},\texttt{sk}). \\ & \texttt{enc}(\texttt{pk},\texttt{msg};r) \to c: \text{ The probabilistic algorithm enc takes as input the public} \\ & \texttt{key pk}, a \text{ message msg} \in \mathcal{M}, \text{ and implicit randomness } \rho \in \mathcal{R}, \text{ and outputs a} \\ & \texttt{ciphertext } c = \texttt{enc}(\texttt{pk},\texttt{msg};r). \text{ The set of all ciphertexts is denoted by } \mathcal{C}. \\ & \texttt{dec}(\texttt{sk},c) \to \texttt{msg}: \text{ The deterministic algorithm dec takes as input the secret} \\ & \texttt{key sk and a ciphertext } c \in \mathcal{C} \text{ and outputs } \texttt{msg} = \texttt{dec}(\texttt{sk},c) \text{ which is either} \\ & \texttt{equal to some message } \texttt{msg} \in \mathcal{M} \text{ or to an error symbol } \bot. \end{aligned}$

We require the following properties of a PKE scheme:

Correctness. We say that PKE satisfies correctness if for all $(pk, sk) \leftarrow keygen(1^{\lambda})$,

 $\Pr[\operatorname{dec}(\operatorname{sk},\operatorname{enc}(\operatorname{pk},\operatorname{msg})) = \operatorname{msg}] = 1$

(where the randomness is taken over the internal coin tosses of algorithm enc).

CPA Security. We say that PKE satisfies semantic security if for all PPT adversaries \mathcal{A} , for $(\mathsf{msg}_0, \mathsf{msg}_1) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(1^{\lambda})$, if $|\mathsf{msg}_0| = |\mathsf{msg}_1|$,

$$\Pr\left[\mathcal{A}(\mathtt{pk},c)=b: \begin{array}{c} (\mathtt{pk},\mathtt{sk}) \leftarrow \mathtt{keygen}(1^{\lambda}); b \leftarrow \{0,1\};\\ \\ c \leftarrow \mathtt{enc}(\mathtt{pk},\mathtt{msg}_b) \end{array}\right] \leq \frac{1}{2} + negl(\lambda)$$

(where the randomness is taken over the internal coin tosses of \mathcal{A} , keygen and enc).

A.3 Non-Interactive Zero-Knowledge Arguments of Knowledge

We take this definition from Groth and Maller [GM17].

Definition 9 (Non-Interactive Zero-Knowledge Arguments of Knowledge (NIZKAoK)). A non-interactive zero-knowledge argument of knowledge (NIZK) scheme is a tuple of efficient algorithms NIZK = (setupZK, prove, verify, simP) defined as follows.

setupZK $(1^{\lambda}, \mathcal{R}) \rightarrow (crs, td)$: The algorithm setupZK takes as input the security parameter $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$, and outputs the global common reference string crs and the trapdoor td for the NIZK system.

prove $(crs, \phi, w) \rightarrow \pi$: The algorithm prove takes as input the common reference string crs for a relation \mathcal{R} , a statement ϕ and a witness w, and outputs a proof π that $(\phi, w) \in \mathcal{R}$.

 $\operatorname{verify}(crs, \phi, \pi) \to \operatorname{accept/reject}$: The algorithm verify takes as input the common reference string crs for a relation \mathcal{R} , a statement ϕ and a proof π , and verifies whether π proves the existence of a witness w such that $(\phi, w) \in \mathcal{R}$.

 $simP(crs, td, \phi) \rightarrow \pi$: The algorithm simP takes as input the common reference string crs for a relation \mathcal{R} , the trapdoor td and a statement ϕ , and outputs a simulated proof of the existence of a witness w such that $(\phi, w) \in \mathcal{R}$.

We require the following properties of a NIZK scheme:

Correctness. We say that NIZK satisfies correctness if for any $(\phi, w) \in \mathcal{R}$, we have that

$$\Pr\left[\begin{aligned} \Pr\left[\texttt{verify}(\phi, \pi) = 1 \middle| \begin{array}{c} (crs, td) \leftarrow \texttt{setupZK}(1^{\lambda}, \mathcal{R}) \\ \pi \leftarrow \texttt{prove}(\phi, w) \end{array} \right] \geq 1 - negl(\lambda) \end{aligned} \right.$$

(where the randomness is taken over the internal coin tosses of setupZK, prove and verify).

Zero Knowledge. We say that NIZK satisfies zero-knowledge if for all PPT adversaries \mathcal{A} ,

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A} \ wins] \le \frac{1}{2} + negl(\lambda)$$

in the following experiment:



Simulation Extractability. We say that NIZK satisfies simulation extractability if for all PPT adversaries \mathcal{A} there exists a PPT extraction algorithm $\texttt{extract}_{\mathcal{A}}$ such that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A} \ wins] \le negl(\lambda)$$

in the following experiment:



Instantiation. Simulation extractable NIZK could be instantiated using, for instance, technique from $[DDO^+01]$.

A.4 Garbling Scheme

A garbling scheme, introduced by Yao [Yao82] and formalized by Bellare *et al.* [BHR12b], enables a party to "encrypt" or "garble" a circuit in such a way that it can be evaluated on inputs — given tokens or "labels" corresponding to those inputs — without revealing what the inputs are.

Definition 10 (Garbling Scheme). A projective garbling scheme is a tuple of efficient algorithms GC = (garble, eval) defined as follows.

garble $(1^{\lambda}, \mathbb{C}) \to (\mathbb{CC}, \mathbb{K})$: The garbling algorithm garble takes as input the security parameter λ and a boolean circuit $\mathbb{C} : \{0, 1\}^{\ell} \to \{0, 1\}^{m}$, and outputs a garbled circuit \mathbb{GC} and ℓ pairs of garbled labels $\mathbb{K} = (K_1^0, K_1^1, \ldots, K_{\ell}^0, K_{\ell}^1)$. For simplicity we assume that for every $i \in [\ell]$ and $b \in \{0, 1\}$ it holds that $K_{\ell}^b \in \{0, 1\}^{\lambda}$.

eval(GC, K_1, \ldots, K_ℓ) $\rightarrow y$: The evaluation algorithm eval takes as input the garbled circuit GC and ℓ garbled labels K_1, \ldots, K_ℓ , and outputs a value $y \in \{0, 1\}^m$.

We require the following properties of a projective garbling scheme:

Perfect Correctness. We say GC satisfies perfect correctness if for any boolean circuit $C: \{0,1\}^{\ell} \to \{0,1\}^m$ and $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_{\ell})$ it holds that

$$\Pr[\texttt{eval}(\texttt{GC}, \mathbf{K}[x]) = \texttt{C}(x)] = 1,$$

where $(GC, \mathbf{K}) \leftarrow garble(1^{\lambda}, \mathbb{C})$ with $\mathbf{K} = (K_1^0, K_1^1, \dots, K_{\ell}^0, K_{\ell}^1)$, and $\mathbf{K}[x] = (K_1^{x_1}, \dots, K_{\ell}^{x_{\ell}})$.

Next, we formally define the security notions we require for a garbling scheme. When garbled circuits are used in such a way that decoding information is used separately, obliviousness requires that a garbled circuit together with a set of labels reveals nothing about the input the labels correspond to, and privacy requires that the additional knowledge of the decoding information reveals only the appropriate output. In our work, we do not consider decoding information separately (but rather, consider it to be included in the garbled circuit), so we do not need obliviousness. However, we introduce a new property that is necessary for our setting: partial evaluation resiliency, which requires that without knowledge of at least one label corresponding to each bit of input, nothing about the output is revealed.

Privacy. Informally, privacy requires that a garbled circuit together with a set of labels reveal nothing about the input the labels correspond to (beyond the appropriate output).

More formally, we say that GC satisfies privacy if there exists a simulator simGC such that for every PPT adversary \mathcal{A} , it holds that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A} \ wins] \le \frac{1}{2} + negl(\lambda)$$

in the following experiment:



Remark. It is possible to use an alternate variant of the simulator simGC that takes as input a set of labels (K_1, \ldots, K_ℓ) and returns a garbled circuit GC compatible with these labels. The simulator of Yao's [Yao82] garbling scheme can be made to work easily as mentioned above.

Partial Evaluation Resiliency. We introduce an additional property of garbled circuits which we call partial evaluation resiliency. Informally, this property requires that unless the adversary has at least one label corresponding to every bit, she learns nothing about the output.

More formally, we say that GC satisfies partial evaluation resiliency if there exists a simulator simGC such that for every PPT adversary \mathcal{A} , it holds that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A} \ wins] \le \frac{1}{2} + negl(\lambda)$$

in the following experiment:



Note that existing garbling schemes clearly meet a weaker definition which requires that given *no* labels, the garbled circuit GC reveals nothing about the input. We can easily augment any garbling scheme GC = (garble, eval) that meets this weaker definition to meet the stronger definition as well. We do this simply by encrypting each label with $\ell-1$ one-time pads, each of which is bundled with one of the other labels. More formally, we define $\widetilde{GC} = (garble, eval)$ as follows.

 $\widetilde{\mathsf{garble}}(1^{\lambda}):$ 1. Run (GC, $K_1^0, K_1^1, \dots, K_{\ell}^0, K_{\ell}^1$) $\leftarrow \mathsf{garble}(1^{\lambda}).$ 2. For each $i, j \in [\ell], i \neq j$: let $\mathbf{k}_{i,j} \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{\lambda}.$

3. For each
$$i \in [\ell], b \in \{0, 1\}$$
: let $\widetilde{K_i^b} = \left(K_i^b \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{j \in [\ell], j \neq i} \mathbf{k}_{i,j}\right), \{\mathbf{k}_{j,i}\}_{j \in [\ell], j \neq i}\right)$
4. Return (GC, $\widetilde{K_1^0}, \widetilde{K_1^1}, \dots, \widetilde{K_\ell^0}, \widetilde{K_\ell^1}$).
eval(GC, $\widetilde{K_1}, \dots, \widetilde{K_\ell}$):
1. For $i \in [\ell]$: parse $(K'_i, \{\mathbf{k}_{j,i}\}_{j \in [\ell], j \neq i}) \leftarrow \widetilde{K_i}$.
2. For $i \in [\ell]$: let $K_i \leftarrow K'_i \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{j \in [\ell], j \neq i} \mathbf{k}_{i,j}\right)$.
3. Return $eval(GC, K_1, \dots, K_\ell)$.

Adaptive Privacy. Informally, this property requires that privacy is maintained against an adversary who first obtains the garbled circuit and then selects the input. More formally, we say that GC satisfies *adaptive privacy* if there exists a simulator simGC such that for every PPT adversary \mathcal{A} , it holds that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] \le \frac{1}{2} + negl(\lambda)$$

in the following experiment:



Instantiation. For our constructions, adaptive garbled circuits can be obtained using one-time pads with Yao's garbled circuits (as shown by Bellare *et al.* [BHR12a]).

A.5 Threshold Secret Sharing Scheme

A *t*-out-of-*n* secret sharing scheme allows a party to "split" a secret into *n* shares that can be distributed among different parties. To reconstruct the original secret x at least t + 1 shares need to be used.

Definition 11 (Secret Sharing). A t-out-of-n secret sharing scheme is a tuple of efficient algorithms (share, reconstruct) defined as follows.

- $share(x) \rightarrow (s_1, \ldots, s_n)$: The randomized algorithm share takes as input a secret x and output a set of n shares.
- $\operatorname{reconstruct}(\{s_i\}_{i \in S \subseteq [n], |S| > t}) \to x$: The reconstruct algorithm reconstruct takes as input a vector of at least t + 1 shares and outputs the secret x.

We require the following properties of a t-out-of-n secret sharing scheme:

Perfect Correctness. The perfect correctness property requires that the shares of a secret x should always reconstruct to x. More formally, a secret sharing scheme is perfectly correct if for any secret x, for any subset $S \subseteq [n], |S| > t$,

$$\Pr\left[\begin{aligned} x = x' : & (s_1, \dots, s_n) \leftarrow \texttt{share}(x) \\ & x' \leftarrow \texttt{reconstruct}(\{s_i\}_{i \in S}) \end{aligned} \right] = 1,$$

where the probability is taken over the random coins of share. Moreover, if a negligible error probability is allowed, we simply say that the scheme is correct.

Privacy. The privacy property requires that any combination of up to t shares should leak no information about the secret x. More formally, we say that a secret sharing scheme is private if for all (unbounded) adversaries \mathcal{A} , for any set $\mathbb{A} \subseteq \{1, \ldots, n\}, |\mathbb{A}| \leq t$ and any two secrets x_0, x_1 (such that $|x_0| = |x_1|$),

$$\Pr\left[\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{s})=1: \begin{vmatrix} \{s_i\}_{i\in[n]} = \mathtt{share}(x_0);\\ \mathbf{s}=\{s_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{A}} \end{vmatrix} \equiv \Pr\left[\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{s})=1: \begin{vmatrix} \{s_i\}_{i\in[n]} = \mathtt{share}(x_1);\\ \mathbf{s}=\{s_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{A}} \end{vmatrix}\right]$$

Share Simulatability. Additionally, we require an efficient simulator for the generated shares. More formally, we say that a secret sharing scheme is share simulatable if there exists a PPT simulator simshare such that for every PPT adversary \mathcal{A} , for any set $\mathbb{A} \subseteq \{1, \ldots, n\}$, $|\mathbb{A}| \leq t$ (and $\mathbb{H} = \{1, \ldots, n\} \setminus \mathbb{A}$), and any two secrets x_0, x_1 , for $(s_0, \ldots, s_n) \leftarrow \operatorname{share}(x_0), (s'_1, \ldots, s'_n) \leftarrow \operatorname{share}(x_1)$ and $\{s''_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{H}} \leftarrow \operatorname{simshare}(\{s_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{A}}, x_0)$,

$$|\Pr\left[\mathcal{A}(\{s_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{A}}, \{s_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{H}}) = 1\right] - \Pr\left[\mathcal{A}(\{s_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{A}}, \{s_i''\}_{i\in\mathbb{H}}) = 1\right]| \le negl(\lambda).$$

Instantiation. In our constructions, we use the Shamir's threshold secret sharing scheme [Sha79], and refer to its algorithms as (Shamir.s, Shamir.reconstruct).