Preprocessing Based Verification of Multiparty Protocols with an Honest Majority

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- If Alice refuses to send (m, σ_m) Bob asks Chris to deliver it.
- If Alice or Bob is corrupt, (m, σ_m) is already known to the attacker anyway.

Verification phase

Each party (the prover P) proves its honesty to the other parties (the verifiers V_1 and V_2).

All relevant values of *P* are shared among V_1 and V_2 :

- Message m: m + 0 or 0 + m
- Input x: $x_1 + x_2$
- Correlated randomness r: r₁ + r₂ known by *P*, shared in the preprocessing phase.

All shares are signed by the prover.









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- V_2 repeats the computation of V_1 , getting h_1 .

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Preprocessing Phase (other preprocessed tuples)

- We also have other types of preprocessed tuples:
 - Trusted bits $b \in \{0, 1\}$ shared over \mathbb{Z}_{2^m} .
 - Characteristic vector tuple (r, \vec{b}) (i.e $b_r = 0$ iff $i \neq r$).
 - Rotation tuple (r, \vec{a}, \vec{b}) s.t the vector \vec{b} is \vec{a} rotated by r.
 - Permutation tuple (π, \vec{a}, \vec{b}) s.t $\vec{b} = \pi(\vec{a})$.
- Their generation and verification is analogous.

Summary

- We proposed a generic method for achieving covert security under honest majority assumption.
- Applying it to Sharemind SMC platform, we get efficient actively secure protocols with identifiable abort.
- The overhead of the execution phase is insignificant.
- In practice, the bottleneck of active security is generation of preprocessed tuples.