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Encrypted Computing

Lecture 16: Oblivious Transfer



Limitations of Yao's Algorithms

- Previous solutions to Yao's problem uses RSA encryption scheme
 - Assume RSA public key scheme is adopted
 - Assume $O_1 \leq A, B \leq O_2$
 - Finds whether $A > B$
- For a general version of Yao's Millionaire problem that works for any function, we need to introduce two concepts
 - **Oblivious Transfer:** to securely selecting a value
 - **Garbled Circuits:** to represent any arithmetic function F



1-out-of-2 Oblivious Transfer (OT)

- A Fundamental SMC primitive
- Sender has two messages m_0 and m_1
- Receiver has a bit b , and the receiver wishes to receive m_b , without the sender learning b
- Sender wants to ensure that the receiver receives only one of the two messages

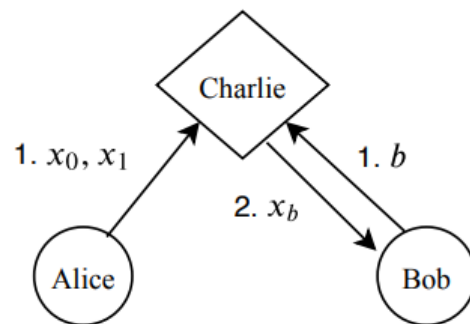


FIGURE 6.1: 1-2 Oblivious Transfer using trusted party

- Inputs
 - Sender has two messages m_0 and m_1
 - Receiver has a single bit $b \in \{0,1\}$
- Outputs
 - Sender receives nothing
 - Receiver obtain m_b and learns nothing of m_{1-b}



1-2 OT with Trusted third party during Setup

1. Bob sends its input $b \in \{0, 1\}$ to Charlie.
2. Charlie generates two public-private key pairs say using El-Gamal's public key encryption scheme described above. Let these be (pk_0, sk_0) and (pk_1, sk_1) . Charlie then sends sk_b to Bob and pk_0, pk_1 to Alice.

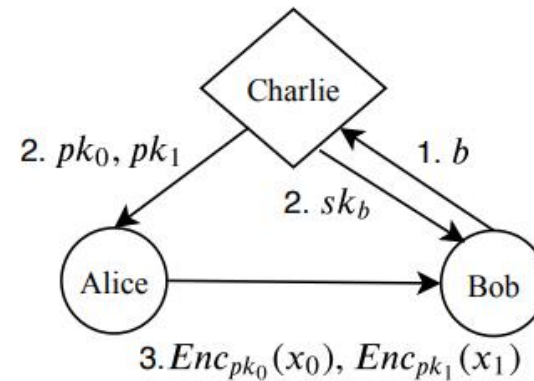


FIGURE 6.2: 1-2 Oblivious Transfer with trusted party during Setup phase.

1. Alice sends $(c_1, c_2) = (\text{Encrypt}(pk_0, x_0), \text{Encrypt}(pk_1, x_0))$ to Bob.
2. Bob on receiving (c_1, c_2) tries to decrypt both using sk_b and she keeps the plain text that she can correctly decrypt.



1-2 OT without a third party??



Naor, Moni, and Benny Pinkas. "Oblivious transfer and polynomial evaluation." In *Proceedings of the thirty-first annual ACM symposium on Theory of computing*, pp. 245-254. 1999.

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A 1-out-of-2 Oblivious Transfer Protocol

Step 1
Alice

Alice generates

1- an RSA key pair $PK = (n, e)$ and $SK = (d)$

2- two random values, r_0 and r_1 , and sends them to Bob along with her PK

Bob picks a bit b to be either 0 or 1, and selects r_b

Step 2
Bob

Bob generates a random value k and blinds it with r_b by computing $v = r_b + k^e \pmod n$ and sends it to Alice

Step 3
Bob

Step 4
Alice

Alice doesn't know which of r_0 and r_1 Bob chose. Alice computes $k_0 = (v - r_0)^d \pmod n$ and $k_1 = (v - r_1)^d \pmod n$

Step 5
Alice

Alice combines the two secret messages with each of the possible keys, i.e. $m'_0 = m_0 + k_0$ and $m'_1 = m_1 + k_1$, and sends them both to Bob

Bob knows which of the two messages can be unblinded with k , so he is able to compute exactly one of the messages $m_b = m'_b - k$

Step 6
Bob

A 1-out-of-2 Oblivious Transfer Protocol

Sender (Bob)

Receiver (Alice)

Input messages

m_0, m_1

b, k Choice bit b ,
random k

RSA key pair

d

$n, e \longrightarrow n, e$

Random strings

$r_0, r_1 \longrightarrow r_0, r_1$

$v \longleftarrow v = (r_b + k^e) \bmod n$

$$k_0 = (v - r_0)^d \bmod N$$

$$k_1 = (v - r_1)^d \bmod N$$

$m'_0 = m_0 + k_0 \longrightarrow m'_0$
 $m'_1 = m_1 + k_1 \longrightarrow m'_1$

$$m_b = m'_b - k$$



1-out-of- n OT?

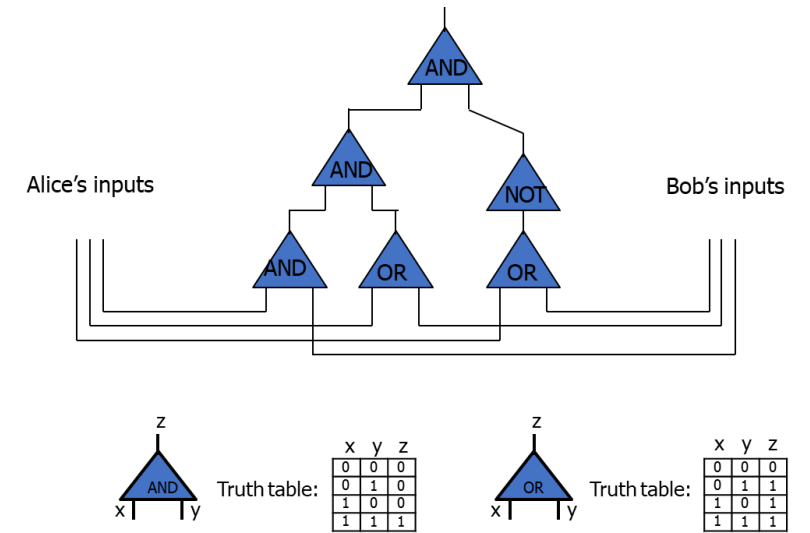
- Sender has n messages m_0 through m_{n-1}
- Receiver has an index b , and the receiver wishes to receive m_b , without the sender learning b
- Sender wants to ensure that the receiver receives only m_b and learns nothing about the other $n - 1$ messages
- How can we achieve this using 1-out-of-2 OT?

<https://github.com/wyatt-howe/1-out-of-n>



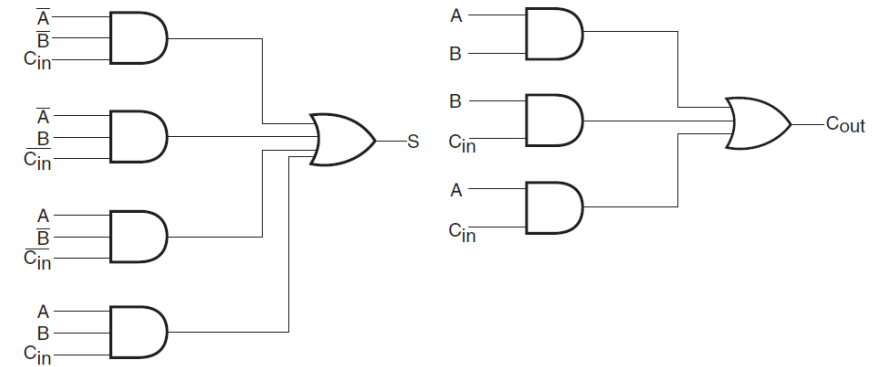
Overview of Yao's Garbled Circuit Protocol

- Assume that Alice has number X , Bob has number Y , Alice learns $F(X, Y)$, and Bob learns nothing
 - Represent $F(X, Y)$ using a Boolean circuit
 - Alice creates and encrypts the circuit. Each wire in in the circuit is associated with two random values. Alice sends the "garbled" circuit to Bob
 - Alice sends the values corresponding to her input bits
 - Bob uses OT to obtain values for his bits
 - Bob evaluates the circuits and send the result to Alice



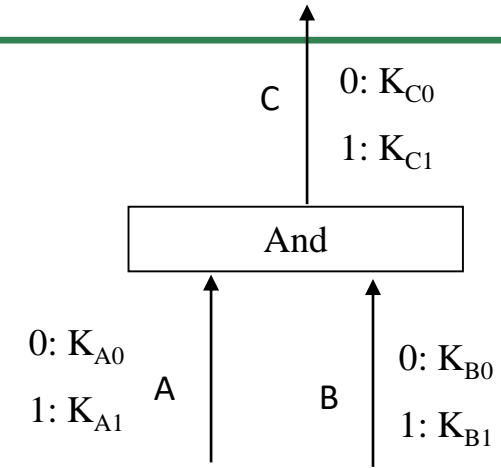
Circuit Computation

- The design of Yao's protocol is based on circuit computation
- Any (efficiently) computable function can be represented as a family of (polynomial-size) Boolean arithmetic circuits
 - Such a circuit consists of **AND**, **OR**, and **NOT** gates



Garbled Circuit

- We can represent Alice's circuit with a garbled circuit so that evaluating it does not leak information about intermediate results
- For each edge in the circuit, we use two random keys to represent 0 and 1, respectively
- We represent each gate with 4 ciphertexts, for input (0,0), (0,1), (1,0), (1,1), respectively
- The ciphertext for input (A, B) is the key representing the output $Gate(A, B)$ encrypted by the keys representing A and B
- The entries of the truth table can be permuted
- Alice keeps the mapping between edges and random keys to her self



A	B	C	
0	1	0	$E_{K_{A0}}(E_{K_{B1}}(K_{C0}))$
1	1	1	$E_{K_{A1}}(E_{K_{B1}}(K_{C1}))$
1	0	0	$E_{K_{A1}}(E_{K_{B0}}(K_{C0}))$
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Evaluation of Garbed Circuit

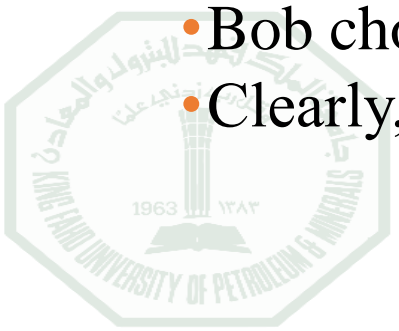
- Given the keys representing the inputs of a gate, we can easily obtain the key representing the output of the gate
 - Only need to decrypt the corresponding entry
 - But we do not know which entry it is?
 - We need decrypt all entries
 - To get a successful decryption, we append few zeroes when encrypting output key
 - Example, $K'_{C0} = K_{C0}00000$ and $K'_{C1} = K_{C1}00000$

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Translating Input

- Alice sends the garbled circuit, and the keys corresponding to her input. (How about Bob's input?)
- So, we know that, given the keys representing Bob's private input, we can evaluate the garbled circuit.
 - Then Bob can evaluate the garbled circuit if he knows how to translate his input to the keys
- But Alice can't give the translation table to Bob.
 - Otherwise, Bob can learn information during evaluation
- A solution to this problem is 1-out-of-2 OT for each input bit
 - Alice sends the keys representing 0 and 1;
 - Bob chooses to receive the key representing his input at this bit
 - Clearly, Bob can't evaluate the circuit at any other input

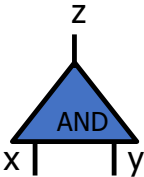
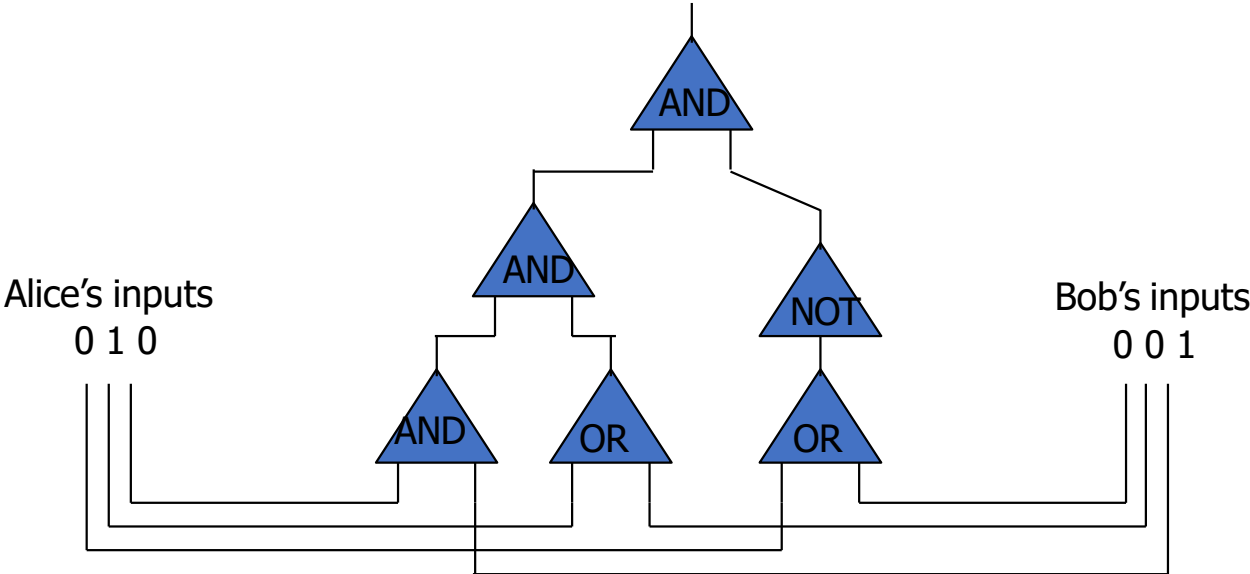


Finishing the Evaluation

- At the end of evaluation, Bob gets the keys representing the output bits of circuit
- Alice sends Bob a table of the keys for each output bit
- Bob translates the keys back to the output bits

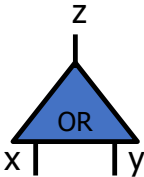


Example



Truth table:

x	y	z
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1



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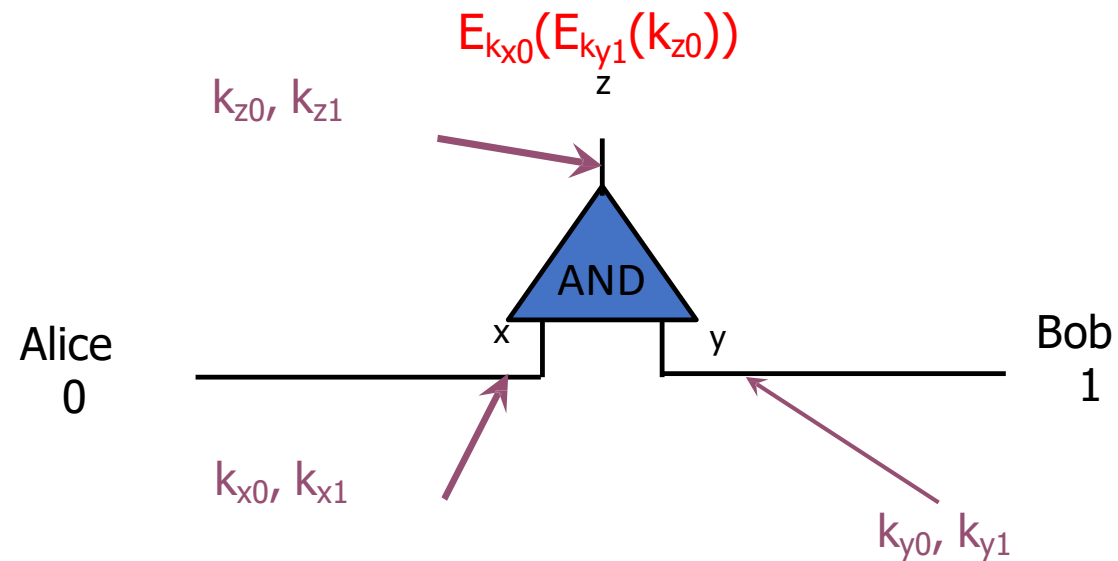
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Step1: Pick Random Keys For Each Wire

- Alice picks two random keys for each wire
 - One key corresponds to "0", the other to "1"
 - 6 keys in total for a gate with 2 input wires

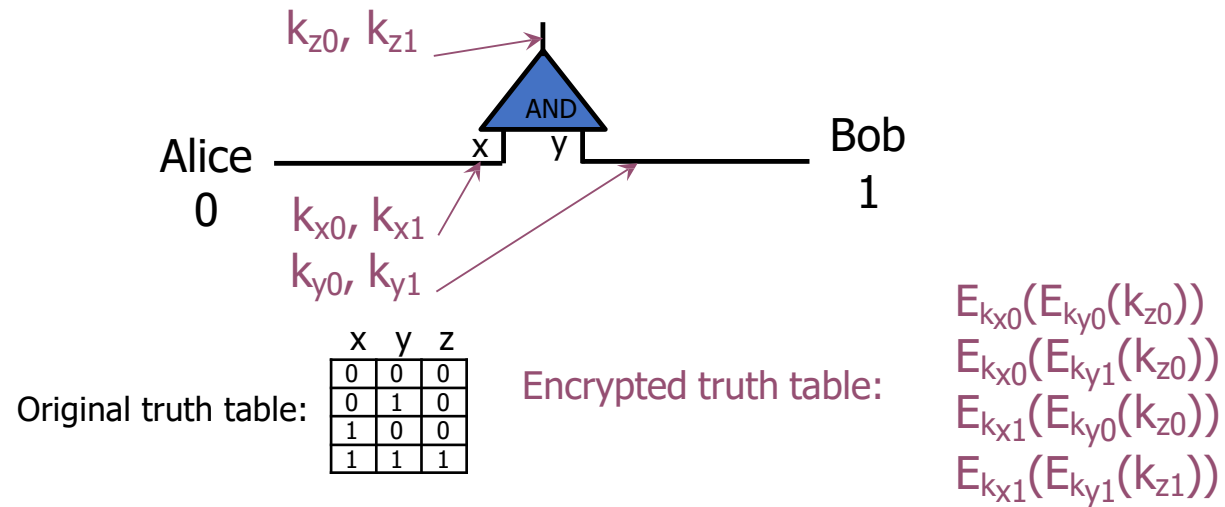


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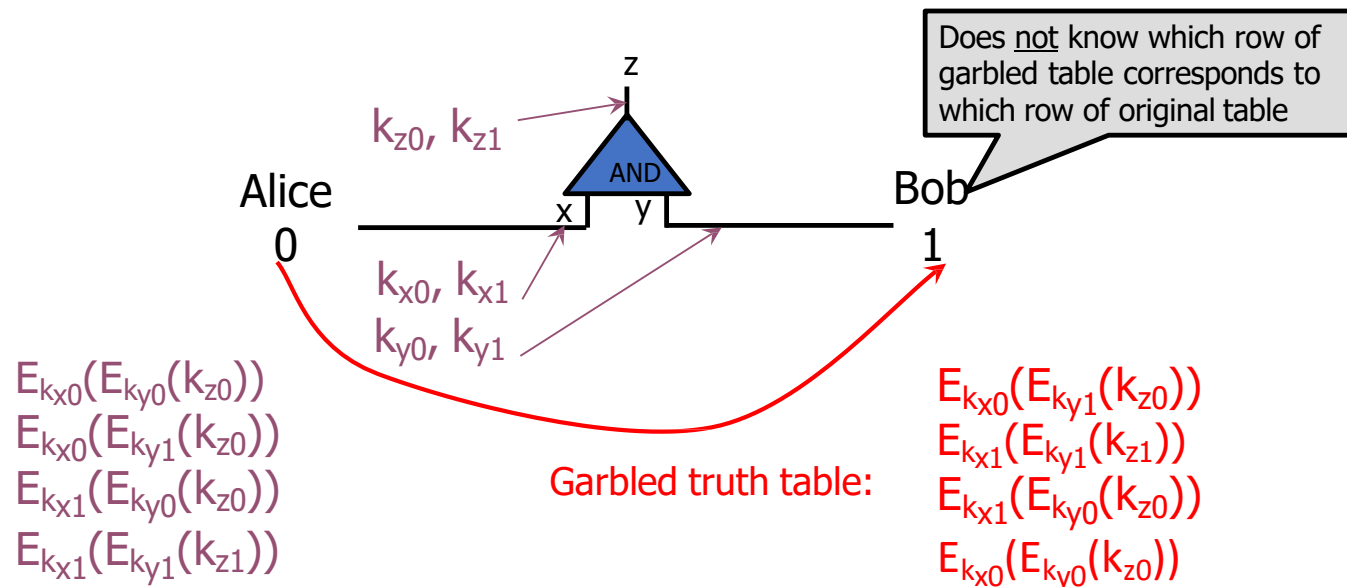
Step 2: Encrypt Truth Table

- Alice encrypts each row of the truth table by encrypting the output-wire key with the corresponding pair of input-wire keys z



Step 3: Send Garbled Truth Table

- Alice randomly permutes (“garbles”) encrypted truth table and sends it to Bob

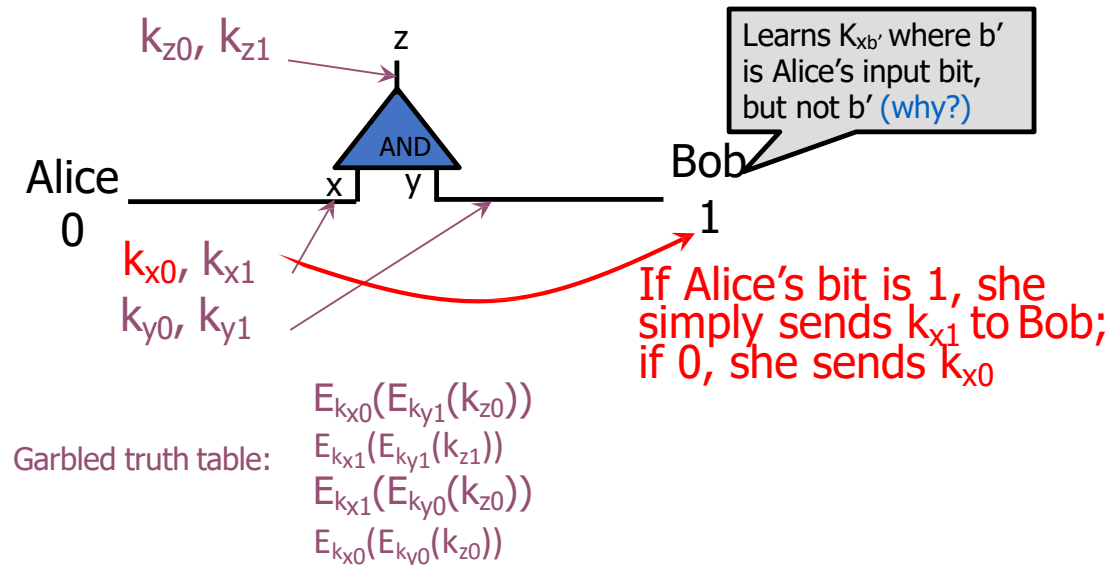


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Step 4: Send Keys For Alice's Inputs

- Alice sends the key corresponding to her input bit
- Keys are random, so Bob does not learn what this bit is

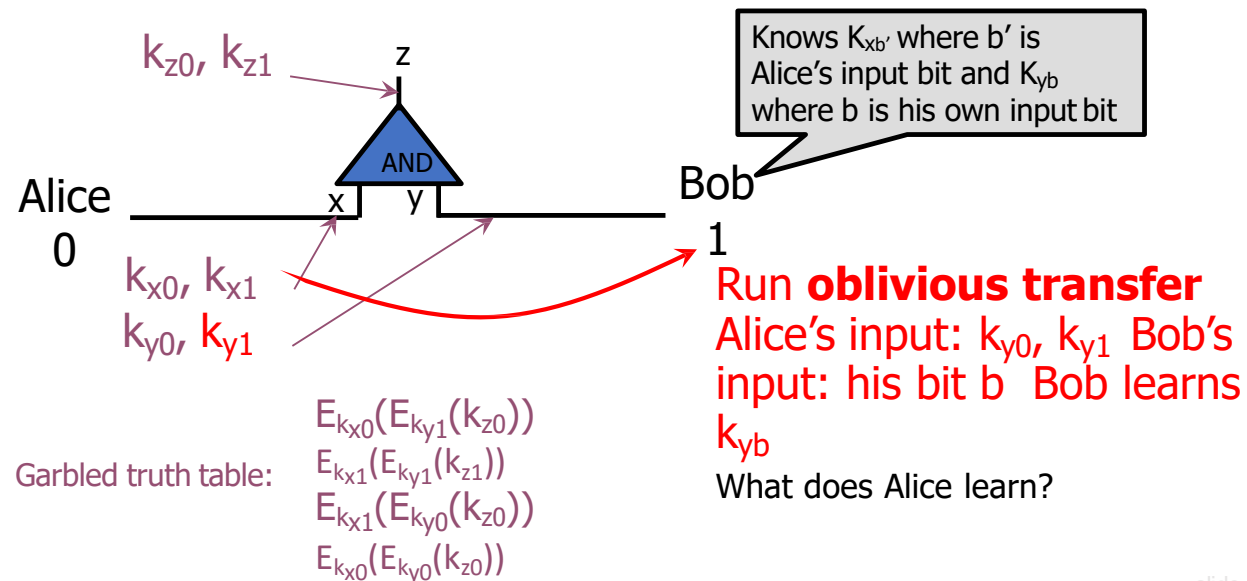


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Step 5: Use OT on Keys for Bob's Input

- Alice and Bob run oblivious transfer protocol
 - Alice's input is the two keys corresponding to Bob's wire
 - Bob's input into OT is simply his 1-bit input on that wire

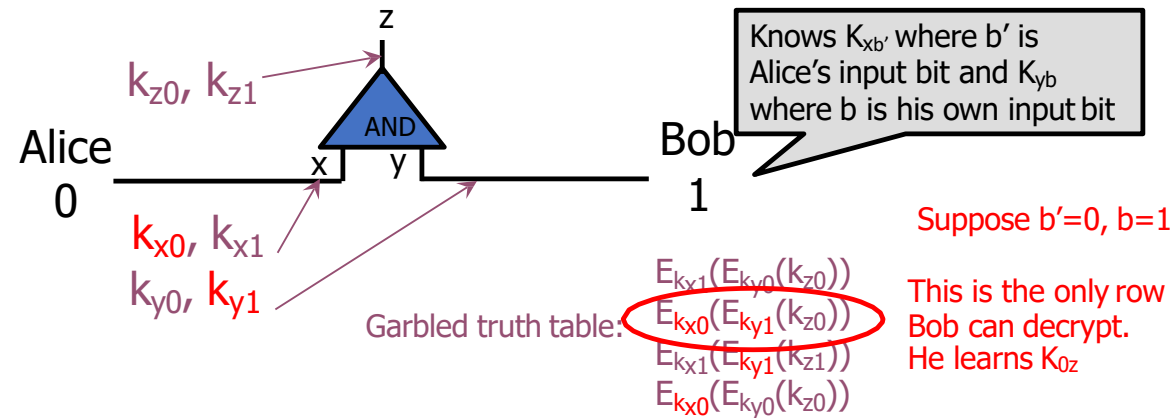


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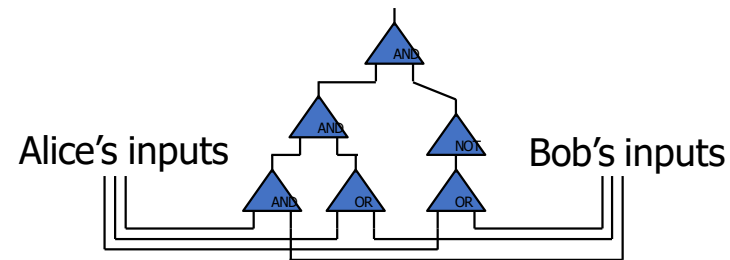
Step 6: Evaluate One Garbled Gate

- Using the two keys that he learned, Bob decrypts exactly one of the output-wire keys
 - Bob does not learn if this key corresponds to 0 or 1
 - Why is this important?



Step 7: Evaluate Entire Circuit

- In this way, Bob evaluates entire garbled circuit
 - For each wire in the circuit, Bob learns only one key
 - It corresponds to 0 or 1 (Bob does not know which)
 - Therefore, Bob does not learn intermediate values (why?)
- Bob tells Alice the key for the final output wire so she can determine if it corresponds to 0 or 1



- Bob does not tell her intermediate wire keys (why?)



Example

