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# Efficient Server-Aided Secure Two-Party Computation in Heterogeneous Mobile Cloud Computing

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Abstract—With the ubiquity of mobile devices and rapid development of cloud computing, mobile cloud computing (MCC) has been considered as an essential computation setting to support complicated, scalable and flexible mobile applications by overcoming the physical limitations of mobile devices with the aid of cloud. In the MCC setting, since many mobile applications (e.g., map apps) interacting with cloud server and application server need to perform computation with the private data of users, it is important to realize secure computation for MCC. In this article, we propose an efficient server-aided secure two-party computation (2PC) protocol for MCC. This is the first work that considers collusion between a malicious garbled circuit evaluator and a semi-honest server while ensuring privacy and correctness. Also, it can guarantee fairness when collusion does not exist. The security analysis shows that our protocol can securely compute any function f(x, y) against different types of adversaries in the malicious model. Also, the experimental performance analysis shows that this work outperforms the previous works for at least 10 times with the same security level.

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Index Terms—Secure two-party computation, server-aided computation, mobile cloud computing, garbled circuit

# 1 INTRODUCTION

MOBILE devices with the aid of wireless communication<br>technologies have gained tremendous popularity. More and more useful but complicated applications (such as map apps, car-hailing apps, social apps, and banking apps) need to be implemented on mobile devices. However, most of the data that these apps process is directly linked to the privacy of mobile users. Thus, to provide privacy protection for mobile device users, the most effective way to securely implement these applications is to execute secure two-party computation between the mobile device and an application server. However, the limited capabilities of mobile devices for computation, storage and communication have been a bottleneck for mobile devices to efficiently take the corresponding task of

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secure two-party computation. Fortunately, the cloud computing technology can help to resolve this problem, as more powerful computation, storage and communication resources can be offered as an on-demand service to mobile devices. Integrating the advantages of cloud computing, mobile cloud computing (MCC) arises rapidly as a new computing paradigm in recent years. It enables mobile devices to overcome the hardware limits and provides the possibility to realize complicated secure computation between a mobile device and an application server with the aid of the cloud server.

Secure two/multi-party computation (2/MPC) is one of the central problems in modern cryptography. It enables a group of parties with their own private inputs to jointly compute a function without the necessity of revealing any information about their inputs except for the output of the function. MPC protocols can not only achieve various privacy-preserving data analysis with the private data of participant parties, but can also resist one single point attack by distributing secrets and computation. After nearly three decades of development, MPC has achieved many achievements based on different adversarial models. Loosely speaking, there are two most common adversarial models: (1) semihonest model, where adversaries follow the protocol but try to learn more than is allowed by inspecting the protocol transcript; (2) malicious model, where adversaries can adopt any strategy to break the protocol. For the semi-honest model, programming tools [1], [2], [3] realize the application on benchmark applications like AES and PSI, and some other complicated applications with complex logic [4], [5] and large scale sensitive data [6], [7], [8]. Although MPC protocols for semi-honest model are efficient and can be applied to many fields, they cannot provide security guarantee in the presence

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Fig. 1. Mobile cloud computing with applications.

of malicious adversaries. To achieve a higher security level, many works focused on the malicious model and made some progress. For the malicious model, recent works have shown that they can securely compute hundreds of thousands logical-gates per second [3], [9], [10], [11], [12], which provides the possibility for MPC to be further applied in practice.

However, all the above standard MPC protocols use the homogeneous computation model as the default setting, where all parties play symmetric (or similar) roles with symmetric (or similar) computation resources. Unfortunately, this setting is not very common in today heterogeneous computing paradigm, especially for the MCC setting. In the MCC, mobile devices usually take roles in collecting and storing the private data of users with the popular apps like map apps (such as Google map and Gaode map), car-hailing apps (such as Grab and Uber), social apps (such as Facebook and Twitter), etc. These applications all need to acquire external service from an application server or cloud server by executing some computation task with the private data of users, as shown in Fig. 1. Hence, privacy protection for this kind of computation is one of the significant concerns that would affect the widespread adoption of MCC. It is necessary to extend the standard secure computation protocol from the homogeneous computing setting to the heterogeneous setting.

In this work, we construct an efficient server-aided secure two-party computation (2PC) protocol for MCC. Our work extends the work [13] which is a new paradigm to obtain an extremely efficient secure 2PC protocol in malicious model. We adopt the heterogeneous computation setting by replacing the original homogeneous computing setting with two

stronger devices, namely the cloud server and application server which have more powerful computation and storage resources, and one weak mobile device. Unlike the most similar work [14] as shown in Table 1, considering that the data privacy can be better protected by not uploading them to the application server, we set the role of the mobile device as the garbled circuit evaluator and application server as the garbled circuit generator which can complete garbled circuit generation without being provided with the data. This setting is also more suitable for practical situations where mobile devices store the data and call external services that the application server provides. The main contributions of our work are concluded as follows:

- 1) We propose an efficient server-aided secure two-party computation protocol for MCC based on the garbled circuit. This work provides the solution for efficient secure two-party computation in heterogeneous computing setting, especially for the MCC.
- 2) This is the first work that considers collusion between the garbled circuit evaluator and server with guaranteeing privacy and correctness in the malicious model. Also, it can guarantee fairness when collusion does not exist in the malicious model.
- 3) We implement our protocol and evaluate it on the benchmark AES circuit. The experimental performance analysis shows that this work outperforms all the previous works at least 10 times with the same security level.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we review the related work on server-aided 2/MPC protocols. In Section 3, we provide preliminaries for this work. In Section 4, we provide system model, threat model and security goals. In Section 5, we provide the efficient server-aided 2PC protocol construction. In Section 6, we provide security analysis. In Section 7, we provide performance evaluation. In Section 8, we conclude this work.

# 2 RELATED WORK

Since the 1980s, MPC has experienced a development process from theory to practice. Especially for 2PC (the special case of MPC), it has been increasingly practical with recent advances. Over the past thirty years, there are tremendous efficiency improvements for 2PC based on Yao's protocol in

TABLE 1 Comparison of Related Work in the Literature

Work	Task of Server		Num of Server Num of Client Parties	Security Model	Collusion	Fairness
[KMR11]([15])	Circuit Evaluation		2/n	Semi-honest & Malicious	$\times$	$\times$
[KMR12]([16])	Circuit Evaluation		n	Semi-honest & Malicious	$\times$	
[CMTB13]([17])	Circuit Evaluation			Malicious	$\times$	
[CLT14]([14])	Circuit Generation			Malicious	$P_1 \& Server$	
$[INO14]([18])$	<b>Function Evaluation</b>	m	n	<b>Malicious</b>	$Servers(\times)$	$\times$
[CMTB16]([19])	Aid Circuit Evaluation			<b>Malicious</b>	$P_1 \& Server$	$\times$
$[BB16] ( [20])$	Circuit Evaluation			Malicious	$\times$	
$[MOR16]$ $([21])$	Aid Circuit Generation			Semi-honest & Malicious	$\times$	
[BPPS17]([22])	Circuit Evaluation		n	Semi-honest	$\times$	$\times$
This Work	Circuit Evaluation			Malicious	$P_2 \& Server$	

Note:  $P_1$  refers to the garbled circuit generator, and  $P_2$  refers to the garbled circuit evaluator.

the semi-honest model like works [23], [24], [25], [26], [27], [28], [29], [30]. However, achieving maliciously secure for 2PC is far more difficult. Based on the Yao's semi-honest secure protocol, researchers propose cut-and-choose technique [31], [32] which is the classic technique to lift Yao's garbled circuit to work efficiently in the malicious model. Traditional cutand-choose approaches operate at the circuit level, whereas the Large Efficient Garbled-circuit Optimization (LEGO) [33], MiniLEGO [34] and TinyLEGO [35] approaches further improve asymptotic and concrete efficiency by operating cutand-choose at the gate level. Recently, Wang et al. [13] proposed a new paradigm to obtain an extremely efficient maliciously secure 2PC based on the highly optimized TinyOT protocol. The main idea of this work is to use the informationtheoretic MAC tags to enable each of the two parties to generate one part of the authenticated garbled circuit. This can not only prevent the selective failure attack, but also integrate the advantages of both original MPC paradigms: the constant round for garbled circuit based approaches and low communication for secret sharing based approaches.

However, all of these maliciously secure 2PC works either have the significant overhead or set high configuration demands for devices (like multicore CPUs and high thread counts). They cannot be applied directly to the mobile devices that do not have such considerable computation resources. To further reduce the overhead of two parties and efficiently achieve 2PC, a series of works outsource some work originally belonged to two parties to the third party server (e.g., cloud server). This also provides us with ideas to achieve secure computation in heterogeneous mobile cloud computing setting.

Feige et al. [36] first added a trusted third party to propose a minimal extension of 2PC, where the communication pattern was minimal. Although the original motivation of [36] was not to reduce the clients' work at the expense of the server, the work did put forward new ideas for the follow-up works. Kamara et al. [15] first initiated the study of MPC in the server-aided setting, where the client parties can outsource some part of their work to the server. However, if the server colluded with a subset of the client parties, any generic server-aided MPC protocol can be reduced to a standard MPC protocol where the colluding party still did the linear size work of the circuit and remain parties did the sublinear work. However, the reduced standard MPC protocol can only be achieved by Fully Homomorphic Encryption (FHE) [37]. To minimize the computation of client parties and let the outsourced party's work to be sublinear or independent of the circuit size, Kamara et al. [15] introduced non-colluding adversaries and formalized the security definitions for serveraided MPC. Later, Kamara et al. [16] proposed two serveraided MPC protocols which were secure against covert and malicious adversaries, respectively. Both of these serveraided MPC protocols also achieved fairness without the assumption that majority of the parties are honest in standard MPC protocols [38]. This provided a new direction to achieve fairness for standard MPC protocols with a dishonest majority. Unfortunately, this work introduced the assumption that the client parties should have high bandwidth capability, which brought higher demands to today's mobile devices and wireless network technology. In addition, [16] required to execute a fair coin tossing protocol to share a secret key. To address the above problem, Carter et al. [17] introduced a new outsourced oblivious transfer primitive to construct a circuit evaluation outsourced server-aided 2PC protocol in malicious model. To further improve the security and efficiency of previous work, Carter et al. [14] designed a server-aided 2PC protocol with outsourcing the garbled circuits generation task. With changing the outsourcing task, they eliminated the most expensive public key cryptography operations and reduce the rounds of communication appeared in oblivious transfers. They also achieved the stronger security guarantee by allowing collusion between the server and original circuit generation party. However, since this protocol was based on the cutand-choose approach, the efficiency of it can still be improved. It also considered fairness in all but one collusion scenario. Jakobsen et al. [18] designed server-aided MPC framework where a number of servers rather than a single one run the underlying standard MPC protocol for the client parties. However, it required the underlying standard MPC protocol to be reactive computation where private values can be opened in the protocol execution [19]. Blanton et al. [20] focused on genomic computation and proposed a serveraided 2PC outsourcing circuit evaluation scheme. It also provided the fairness property for secure computation and required non-collusion assumption like [16]. However, it introduced additional public key operations. Mohassel et al. [21] extended the [39] to the server-aided setting with non-collusion assumption. It divided the protocol execution into offline and online phases which makes mobile devices to execute the protocol flexibly with the changeable bandwidth. The server did some auxiliary computation for garbled circuit generation. However, the underlying 2PC scheme [39] was not efficient enough in today's computing setting, which made this protocol less efficient. Carter et al. [19] proposed a scheme to transform any secure 2PC protocol into serveraided 2PC protocol. It leveraged the non-collusion assumption to produce low-cost output consistency check. Although the computation and bandwidth required by the mobile device were reduced, the cost of the evaluation increased. Baldimtsi et al. [22] focused on the online social networks and designed a server-aided MPC protocol to utilize online social data of multiple parties. They designed a sub-protocol to transform inputs under different keys into ones under the same key. This enables the other  $n - 1$  parties do not need to be online all the time. It needed the non-collusion assumption among server and client parties and did not provide the fairness property.

In addition to the above garbled circuit based approaches, there are also some protocols designed with the homomorphic encryption. Loosely speaking, in these protocols all the client parties need to encrypt their data with the FHE scheme and upload the ciphertexts to the server, and then the server performs computation directly on these ciphertexts and returns the ciphertext results to the client parties. However, the main challenge for these FHE based protocols is that how different client parties can decrypt the result with different secret keys. Asharov et al. [40] addressed this by secret-sharing the secret key among all the participants. Lopez-Alt et al. [41] based on the multi-key FHE scheme designed the on-thefly multiparty computation to enable the client parties to have their long-term public and secret key pairs. To further improve the efficiency, Peter et al. [42] based on the additively

$\alpha$	ß	$\mathcal{V}$	$\alpha$	ß	$\mathbf{v}$		$\alpha$	β			$L_{\gamma,0/1}$	$\boldsymbol{\nu}$
0	0	0	$L_{\alpha,0}$	$L_{\beta,0}$	$L_{\gamma,0}$		$L_{\alpha,0}$	$L_{\beta,0}$	$E_{L_{\alpha,0}, L_{\beta,0}}(L_{\gamma,0})$	$E_{L_{\alpha,0}, L_{\beta,1}}(L_{\gamma,0})$	$L_{\gamma,0}$	$\mathbf 0$
0		0	$L_{\alpha,0}$	$L_{\beta,1}$	$L_{\gamma,0}$		$L_{\alpha,0}$	$L_{\beta,1}$	$E_{L_{\alpha,0}, L_{\beta,1}}(L_{\gamma,0})$	$E_{L_{\alpha,1}, L_{\beta,1}}(L_{\gamma,1})$	$L_{\gamma,0}$	0
	0	0	$\mu_{\alpha,1}$	$L_{\beta,0}$	$L_{\gamma,0}$		$\mu_{\alpha,1}$	$L_{\beta,0}$	$E_{L_{\alpha,1},\,L_{\beta,0}}(L_{\gamma,0})$	$E_{L_{\alpha,1},\,L_{\beta,0}}(L_{\gamma,0})$	$L_{\gamma,0}$	0
			$L_{\alpha,1}$	$L_{\beta,1}$	$L_{\gamma,1}$		$L_{\alpha,1}$	$L_{\beta,1}$	$E_{L_{\alpha,1}, L_{\beta,1}}(L_{\gamma,1})$	$E_{L_{\alpha,0},\,L_{\beta,0}}(L_{\gamma,0})$	$L_{\gamma,1}$	
(b) (a)					(c)	(d)	(e)					

Fig. 2. Garbled circuit: (a) AND gate truth table; (b) AND gate with labels; (c) garbled AND gate; (d) garbled table; (e) output mapping table.

homomorphic encryption proposed two-server-aided multiparty computation scheme. However, the efficiency of these works was based on the underlying FHE scheme. Thus, it is still an open problem for constructing practical and efficient FHE schemes nowadays.

We summarize the main difference between our work and the previous works in Table 1. We conclude that our work is the first work that considers collusion between the garbled circuit evaluator and server with guaranteeing privacy and correctness in the malicious model. Also, it can guarantee fairness when collusion does not exist in the malicious model.

#### 3 PRELIMINARIES

#### 3.1 Garbled Circuit

Garbled Circuit (GC) is the key technology in constructing generic 2PC protocol. It permits two parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  with their private inputs  $x$  and  $y$  respectively to securely compute any function  $f(x, y)$  represented as the boolean circuit  $C_f$ . At a high level the garbled circuit protocol works as follows:

1) Based on the boolean circuit  $C_f$ ,  $P_1$  constructs the corresponding garbled circuit  $GC_f$ : it selects two secret keys  $L_{w,0}$  and  $L_{w,1}$  for every wire w in the circuit  $C_f$  as two labels of wire  $w$  to replace the true value 0 and 1, respectively. We take an AND gate for example as shown in Fig. 3.  $P_1$  replaces the value of truth table for the AND gate with the labels  $L_{w,0}$  and  $L_{w,1}$  it chooses, as shown in Figs. 2a and 2b. For the output wire  $\gamma$  it uses the double-key symmetric encryption  $E_{k_1,k_2}(m)$ to encrypt the label  $L_{\gamma,0}$  and  $L_{\gamma,1}$  with the labels  $L_{\alpha,0/1}$ and  $L_{\beta,0/1}$  of input wires  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , and generates the new truth table as shown in Fig. 2c. Finally, it



randomly permutes the table to avoid leaking the information from the row and generates the garbled table as shown in Fig. 2d for one AND gate. After this, it sends the garbled tables for all the gates in the circuit  $C_f$  and the label of its input  $L_{\alpha,x}$  to the  $P_2$ .

- 2)  $P_2$  runs 1-out-of-2 Oblivious Transfer protocol with  $P_1$  so that  $P_2$  can get the label  $L_{\beta,y}$  of its input y without leaking y to the  $P_1$ . Also, this enables  $P_1$  not to leak another label  $L_{\beta,\bar{y}}$  of the input wire to  $P_2$ .<br>Based on the two input wire labels  $(I - I)$ .
- 3) Based on the two input wire labels  $(L_{\alpha,x}, L_{\beta,y})$  and garbled tables for all the gates of the circuit  $C_f$ ,  $P_2$  evaluates the circuit gate-by-gate by decrypting the correct row of every garbled table for every gate, and it ends this decryption operation when he gets the final output wire label  $L_{O,0/1}$ .
- 4) To recover the output, either  $P_2$  sends this label  $L_{O,0/1}$ to the  $P_1$ , and  $P_1$  outputs the real output z to  $P_2$  based on the mapping table shown as Fig. 2e. Or  $P_1$  sends the mapping table to  $P_2$ , and let  $P_2$  know the real output z and send z to  $P_1$ .

#### 3.2 Information-Theoretic MAC Tags

In the following, we would like to recall a brief summary on information-theoretic MAC tags, which is one of basic blocks for the protocol [13].

Let  $P_1$  holds the random uniformly global key  $\Delta_1 \in \{0,1\}^k$ and a uniform key  $K[s]$ . At the same time  $P_2$  holds the bit s and the Mac tag  $M[s] := K[s] \oplus s\Delta_1$ . Such that when  $P_2$  sends pair  $(s, M[s])$  to  $P_1$ , it can verify whether  $M[s]$  equals to the  $M[s]$  generated with  $(s, K[s], \Delta_1)$ . If so, we denote  $[s]_2$  as the authenticated bit s known to  $P_2$  (i.e.  $P_2$  holds  $(s, M[s])$  and authenticated bit s known to  $P_2$  (i.e.,  $P_2$  holds  $(s, M[s])$  and  $P_1$  holds  $K[s]$ ). Similarly, for the authenticated bit  $[r]_1, P_1$  can verify its validity by sending the pair  $(r, M[r])$  to  $P_2$  who has verify its validity by sending the pair  $(r, M[r])$  to  $P_2$  who has the key  $K[r]$ , so that  $P_2$  can verify the triple  $(r, M[r], K[r])$ . The important property of the above MAC tags is XORhomomorphic. That is to say, if  $P_1$  holds two authenticated pairs  $(a, M[a])$  and  $(b, M[b])$  while  $P_2$  holds the corresponding keys  $K[a]$  and  $K[b]$ ,  $P_1$  can generate the authenticated bit  $[a \oplus b]_1$  by letting  $P_1$  locally xor the pairs  $(a \oplus b, M[a] \oplus M[b])$ <br>and  $P_2$  locally xor the key  $K[a] \oplus K[b]$ and  $P_2$  locally xor the key  $K[a] \oplus K[b]$ .

In this paper, the same as in the protocol [13], we utilize this information-theoretic MAC tags to authenticate the secret shared bits for every wire of the circuit. So that the malicious behaviors like values corruption and improper computation can be prevented by checking the MAC tags.

#### 3.3 The Functionality  $F_{PRE}$

Based on the above information-theoretic MAC tags, we use Fig. 3. AND gate. the functionality  $F_{PRE}$  of [13] as a critical component for our

protocol and briefly recall it as follows. This functionality is used to set up the authenticated values on each wire of the circuit for  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . It is only executed with two parties  $P_1$ and  $P_2$ , and there does not exist a third party to assist this work. It is an optimized version of the TinyOT protocol [39] based on the oblivious transfer technique.

There are three functions of the functionality  $F_{PRE}$  and we summarize them as follows:

- 1) Choose uniformly global key for both parties: both parties send *init* to the  $F_{PRE}$  so that  $F_{PRE}$  returns global key  $\Delta_1$  to  $P_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  to  $P_2$ .
- 2) Generate random authenticated bit shares: both parties send *random* to the  $F_{PRE}$  so that  $F_{PRE}$  returns  $(r, M[r], K[s])$  to  $P_1$  and  $(s, M[s], K[r])$  to  $P_2$ , where  $\lambda = r \oplus s.$
- 3) Generate the authenticated secret shares of an AND gate:  $P_1$  sends  $(AND, (r_1, M[r_1], K[s_1]), (r_2, M[r_2],$  $K[s_2]$ ) to  $F_{PRE}$ , while  $P_2$  sends  $(AND, (s_1, M[s_1],$  $K[r_1], (s_2, M[s_2], K[r_2])$  to  $F_{PRE}$ . The  $F_{PRE}$  first verifies  $M[r_i] = K[r_i] \oplus r_i \Delta_1$  and  $M[s_i] = K[s_i] \oplus s_i \Delta_2$  for  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . If so,  $F_{PRE}$  continues; otherwise, it sends  $cheat$  to both parties. If  $F_{PRE}$  continues, it defines  $\lambda_3 = r_3 \oplus s_3$  and sets  $r_3 = s_3 \oplus ((r_1 \oplus s_1) \wedge (r_2 \oplus s_2)).$ <br>Also it sets  $M[r_3] = K[r_2] \oplus r_3 \Lambda_2$  and  $M[s_3] = K[s_2]$ Also, it sets  $M[r_3] = K[r_3] \oplus r_3\Delta_2$  and  $M[s_3] = K[s_3]$  $\oplus s_3\Delta_1$ . Finally, the  $F_{PRE}$  returns  $(r_3, M[r_3], K[s_3])$  to  $P_1$  and  $(s_3, M[s_3], K[r_3])$  to  $P_2$ .

For the third function which is the key component of  $F_{PRE}$ is to generate the authenticated secret shared values  $[x_1]_1$ ,  $[x_2]_2$   $[x_3]_3$  and  $[x_4]_3$  for an AND gate such that  $[x_2]_2$ ,  $[y_1]_1$ ,  $[y_2]_2$ ,  $[z_1]_1$ , and  $[z_2]_2$  for an AND gate, such that  $z_1 \oplus z_2 = (x_1 \oplus x_2) \wedge (y_1 \oplus y_2)$ . To achieve this goal it designs  $z_1 \oplus z_2 = (x_1 \oplus x_2) \wedge (y_1 \oplus y_2)$ . To achieve this goal, it designs three sub-functions: (1)  $F_{abit}$ : Generate the authenticated random bit on the wire with the corresponding global key. This is the same as the above second function; (2)  $F_{HaAND}$ : Invoke the  $F_{abit}$  to generate the authenticated secret shared bit triple  $[x_1]_1$  and  $[x_2]_2$ , and then generate the secret shares of  $x_1y_2 \oplus x_3y_1$ ; (3)  $F_1$  and  $[x_1]$  and  $[x_2]$  $x_2y_1$ ; (3)  $F_{LaAND}$ : Invoke the  $F_{abit}$  to generate the  $[y_1]_1$  and  $[z_1]_1$ <br>for  $P_2$  and  $[y_2]_1$  for  $P_3$  and invoke the  $F_{33}$  (ye to generate for  $P_1$  and  $[y_2]_2$  for  $P_2$ , and invoke the  $F_{HaAND}$  to generate  $[x_1]_1$  and  $[x_2]_2$  and secret shares of  $x_1y_2 \oplus x_2y_1$ . Then,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  locally computes  $x_2y_1$  and  $x_2y_2$  respectively. Finally, they  $P_2$  locally computes  $x_1y_1$  and  $x_2y_2$  respectively. Finally, they can get the secret shares of  $(x_1 \oplus x_2) \wedge (y_1 \oplus y_2)$  locally. For more details about how the functionality  $F_{PRE}$  is constructed with the oblivious transfer technique, we refer you to the work [13].

# 4 PROBLEM STATEMENT

# 4.1 System Model

Our system consists of three entities: the Server, the two client parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , as shown in Fig. 4. Their roles in our protocol are summarized as follows:

- Server: It is the third party in this protocol to assist the circuit evaluation work for client party  $P_2$  for securely computing some function  $f$ . It has largescale computation resources, such that it can be the cloud server in the MCC setting.
- $P_1$ : It is one of the two client parties that takes one part of the garbled circuit generation task. It has less or equal computation resources compared with Server, namely, it can be the application server in the MCC setting.



Fig. 4. System model.

 $P_2$ : It is the other client party that takes the other part of garbled circuit generation task. Since it has limited computation resources, it employs Server to assist the circuit evaluation task in standard 2PC. It can be the mobile device in the MCC setting.

#### 4.2 Threat Model and Security Goals

#### 4.2.1 Threat Model

In this paper, we can guarantee the security of protocol against the following adversary structure  $ADV$ :

- Any one of the two client parties is malicious and cannot collude with the other semi-honest client party and semi-honest Server.
- 2)  $P_2$  is malicious and can collude with semi-honest Server, while  $P_1$  is honest.

$$
ADV = \begin{cases} (P_1[m_{nc}], P_2[s], S[s]) \\ (P_1[s], P_2[m_{nc}], S[s]) \\ (P_1[h], P_2[m_c], S[s_c]) \end{cases}
$$

where  $m_{nc}$  refers to malicious and non-collude,  $s$  refers to semi-honest, h refers to honest,  $m_c$  refers to malicious and collude, and  $s_c$  refers to semi-honest and collude.

# 4.2.2 Security Goals

- 1) Privacy: Any one of the two client parties cannot learn any information (including the private input of the other client party) from the protocol execution other than its computation output and what is inherently leaked from it. Server cannot learn any information (including the private inputs of two client parties and the computation output) from the protocol execution.
- 2) Correctness: The two client parties should get the correct output of the computation for function f. Server correctly executes computation operations.
- 3) Fairness: If any one of the two client parties gets the computation output, then the other client party does.

Note that we cannot guarantee fairness in  $(P_1[h], P_2[m_c],$  $S[s_c]$ ) setting. Since the *Server* and  $P_2$  can collude together in this setting, we cannot prevent  $P_2$  from getting the computation output from  $Server$  before  $P_1$ . Also, we cannot prevent  $P_2$  from controlling *Server* to abort the protocol before  $P_1$ receiving the output. Actually, in this setting, our server-aided 2PC protocol can be reduced into the 2PC protocol which inherently cannot achieve fairness in malicious model [43].

To guarantee privacy: (1) For the two client parties, since the garbled circuit technique can withstand the malicious behavior of the circuit evaluation party (i.e., the combination of Server and P2), we mainly focus on preventing the selective failure attack launched by the malicious circuit generation party (i.e.,  $P_1$ ). This attack specifically refers to that a malicious circuit generation party can use inconsistent labels in garbled circuit generation and oblivious transfer, so that the private input of the circuit evaluation party would be leaked to the circuit generation party based on whether or not the protocol aborts. To prevent this attack, we utilize the authenticated garbled circuit secret sharing technique from Wang et al. [13] to let both client parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  generate one part of the garbled table. So that the input of  $P_2$  is independent of the part of garbled table generated by  $P_1$ , and the malicious party  $P_1$  cannot get the private input of  $P_2$  by launching this attack. (2) For Server, we construct the protocol with the advantage of enabling all the values transferred to it are random and the result it computed is masked. Therefore, it cannot get any information from the protocol execution, either the private inputs of two client parties, or the computation result.

To guarantee correctness: (1) For the two client parties, we need to ensure that the malicious client party cannot replace the values for any of the internal wires in the circuit, which would lead to the incorrect result of the computation for function  $f$ . To address this, we use the information-theoretic MAC tags and the functionality  $F_{PRE}$  of [13], so that both client parties can verify whether or not the internal values are correctly constructed for their respective garbled tables. (2) For Server, we set Server to be semi-honest, which provides the correctness guarantee for its computation.

To guarantee fairness: we need to prevent any one of the malicious client parties from aborting the protocol once it receives the output so that the other client party cannot get the output. To cope with this, we let Server simultaneously release the masked output to both client parties based on whether the verification of values on the output wires succeeds or not. If so, the two client parties can decrypt the output directly; Otherwise, they cannot get the masked output, let alone the actual output. As mentioned above, we only provide fairness guarantee when Server does not collude with any client party.

#### 5 EFFICIENT SERVER-AIDED 2PC PROTOCOL

#### 5.1 Overview

To complete the secure computation on function  $f(x, y) \rightarrow z$ , two client parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  with their private input x and y respectively, first reach a consensus on the boolean circuit  $C_f$ representing the evaluated function  $f$ . Then, both client parties execute the protocol of circuit preprocessing and input processing phase and provide values that Server needs for the circuit evaluation. Then, Server executes protocol of the circuit evaluation and outputs distribution phase. Finally, if the two-round verifications between the Server and two client parties are passed, the two client parties can get the actual output; Otherwise, the protocol aborts. The high-level idea of the four phases of the protocol is provided as follows:

1) Circuit preprocessing phase: The two client parties  $P_1$ and  $P_2$  first get their own MAC keys  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$ , respectively. Then,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  preprocess the circuit  $C_f$ to generate the corresponding values for each wire of the circuit  $C_f$  based on the functionality  $F_{PRE}$ . Finally, they upload the corresponding values of all AND gates to Server for the subsequent circuit evaluation.

- 2) Input processing phase: The two client parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  both check whether each other provides the correct shared mask bits for input wires of the other party. If so,  $P_1$  sends *Server* the masked inputs and the corresponding labels for its own input wires;  $P_2$ sends *Server* the masked inputs and let  $P_1$  send the corresponding labels for its input wires to Server.
- 3) Circuit evaluation phase: With the masked inputs and labels of both client parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , Server follows the logical topology of circuit  $C_f$  to compute the masked outputs and labels for the output wires of circuit C.
- 4) Outputs distribution phase: The two client parties  $P_1$ and  $P_2$  both check whether each other provides the correct shared mask bits for the output wries. If so, Server sends the masked outputs for all output wires of circuit  $C_f$  to  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . Finally,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  locally recover the actual output.

#### 5.2 Server-Aided 2PC Protocol

*Inputs*: The two client parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  agree on the circuit  $C_f$  which represents the evaluated function  $f: \{0,1\}^{|I_1|} \times$  $\{0,1\}^{|I_2|} \to \{0,1\}^{|O|}$ .  $P_1$  has its own private input  $x \in \{0,1\}^{|I_1|}$  and  $P_2$  has its own private input  $x \in \{0,1\}^{|I_2|}$ . 1}<sup>[I<sub>1</sub>]</sup> and  $P_2$  has its own private input  $y \in \{0, 1\}^{I_2}$ . We denote L as the index set of the input wires for  $P_1$ , L as the denote  $I_1$  as the index set of the input wires for  $P_1$ ,  $I_2$  as the index set of the input wires for  $P_2$ ,  $O$  as the index set of the output wires for circuit  $C_f$ , and W as the index set of the output wires for all AND gates in circuit  $C_f$ . Also, we define the computational security parameter as  $\kappa$ . As shown in Fig. 5, our protocol works as follows:

Phase 1: Circuit preprocessing

- 1)  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  both send *init* to functionality  $F_{PRE}$  which respectively returns  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  to them.
- 2) For wire  $w \in I_1 \cup I_2 \cup W$ :

 $P_1$  and  $P_2$  send *random* to  $F_{PRE}$ . Then,  $F_{PRE}$  returns authenticated shared mask bit triple  $(r_w, M[r_w], K[s_w])$ to  $P_1$  and  $(s_w, M[s_w], K[r_w])$  to  $P_2$ , where the mask bit  $\lambda_w = s_w \oplus r_w$ .  $P_1$  then sets the label for bit 0 of wire w as as  $L_{w,0} \in \{0,1\}^{|k|}$  and the label for bit 1 of wire w as  $L_{w,1} := L_{w,0} \oplus \Delta_1.$ 

3) For each XOR gate  $G = (\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \oplus)$  with two input wires  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and one output wire  $\gamma$ :

 $P_1$  locally computes the authenticated shared mask bit triple  $(r_{\gamma}, M[r_{\gamma}], K[s_{\gamma}]) := (r_{\alpha} \oplus r_{\beta}, M[r_{\alpha}] \oplus$  $M[r_\beta], K[s_\alpha] \oplus K[s_\beta])$ .  $P_2$  locally computes the authenticated shared mask bit triple  $(s_{\gamma}, M[s_{\gamma}],$  $K[r_{\gamma}]) := (s_{\alpha} \oplus s_{\beta}, M[s_{\alpha}] \oplus M[s_{\beta}], K[r_{\alpha}] \oplus K[r_{\beta}]).$  Then,  $P_1$  sets the labels on that wire to be  $L_{\gamma,0} := L_{\alpha,0} \oplus L_{\beta,0}$ and  $L_{\gamma,1} := L_{\gamma,0} \oplus \Delta_1$ . Define the mask bit  $\lambda_{\gamma} = \lambda_{\alpha} \oplus \lambda_{\beta}$  for the output wire  $\gamma$ .  $\lambda_{\beta}$  for the output wire  $\gamma$ .<br>For each AND gate G.

- For each AND gate  $G = (\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \wedge)$  with two input wires  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and one output wire  $\gamma$ :<br>(a)  $P_1$  sends (and,  $(r_{\alpha}, M[r_{\alpha}], K|s_{\alpha})$ 
	- $P_1$  sends  $(and, (r_\alpha, M[r_\alpha], K[s_\alpha]), (r_\beta, M[r_\beta], K[s_\beta]))$ to  $F_{PRE}$ , while  $P_2$  sends  $(and, (s_{\alpha}, M[s_{\alpha}], K[r_{\alpha}]),$



Fig. 5. The efficient server-aided 2PC protocol.

 $(s_{\beta}, M[s_{\beta}], K[r_{\beta}])$  to  $F_{PRE}$ . Then,  $P_1$  receives  $(r_{\sigma},$  $M[r_{\sigma}], K[s_{\sigma}])$  and  $P_2$  receives  $(s_{\sigma}, M[s_{\sigma}], K[r_{\sigma}])$ from  $F_{PRE}$ , where  $r_{\sigma} \oplus s_{\sigma} = \lambda_{\alpha} \wedge \lambda_{\beta}$ .<br>  $P_{\alpha}$  locally computes the set (b)  $P_1$  locally computes the set  $\{(r_{\gamma,i}, M[r_{\gamma,i}],$  $K[s_{\gamma,i}])\}_{i\in[3]}$  as follows:

 $r_{\gamma,0}, M[r_{\gamma,0}], K[s_{\gamma,0}]$  $r_{\gamma,1}, M[r_{\gamma,1}], K[s_{\gamma,1}]$  $r_{\gamma,2}, M[r_{\gamma,2}], K[s_{\gamma,2}]$  $r_{\gamma,3}, M[r_{\gamma,3}], K[s_{\gamma,3}]$ 

where  $r_{\gamma,i}$ ,  $M[r_{\gamma,i}]$ , and  $K[s_{\gamma,i}]$  for  $i \in [3]$  are respectively computed as follows:

 $\begin{array}{l} r_{\gamma,0} := r_\sigma \oplus r_\gamma \ r_{\gamma,1} := r_\sigma \oplus r_\gamma \oplus r_\alpha \ r_{\gamma,2} := r_\sigma \oplus r_\gamma \oplus r_\beta \ r_{\gamma,3} := r_\sigma \oplus r_\gamma \oplus r_\alpha \oplus r_\beta \end{array}$  $\sqrt{ }$  $\int$  $\left\lfloor \right\rfloor$  $\int M[r_{\gamma,0}] := M[r_{\sigma}] \oplus M[r_{\gamma}]$  $M[r_{\gamma,1}] := M[r_{\sigma}] \oplus M[r_{\gamma}] \oplus M[r_{\alpha}]$  $M[r_{\gamma,2}] := M[r_{\sigma}] \oplus M[r_{\gamma}] \oplus M[r_{\beta}]$  $M[r_{\nu,3}] := M[r_{\sigma}] \oplus M[r_{\nu}] \oplus M[r_{\alpha}] \oplus M[r_{\beta}]$  $\int$  $\downarrow$  $K[s_{\gamma,0}] := K[s_{\sigma}] \oplus K[s_{\gamma}]$  $\left\{ K[s_{\gamma,1}] := K[s_{\sigma}] \oplus K[s_{\gamma}] \oplus K[s_{\alpha}] \right\}$  $K[s_{\gamma,2}] := K[s_{\sigma}] \oplus K[s_{\gamma}] \oplus K[s_{\beta}]$  $K[s_{\nu3}] := K[s_{\sigma}] \oplus K[s_{\nu}] \oplus K[s_{\sigma}] \oplus K[s_{\beta}] \oplus \Delta_1$  $\left\lfloor \right\rfloor$ 

Then,  $P_1$  computes  $\{V_1^{A_{ID},i,K}\}_{i\in[3]} = \{K[s_{\gamma,i}]\}_{i\in[3]}$ where  $A_{ID}$  is the index of the AND gate in the circuit C.

(c)  $P_1$  then computes the set  ${G_{\gamma,i}}_{i\in[3]}$  as below and sends the set to Server:

 $G_{\gamma,0} := H(L_{\alpha,0}, L_{\beta,0}, \gamma, 0) \oplus (r_{\gamma,0}, M[r_{\gamma,0}], L_{\gamma,0} \oplus K[s_{\gamma,0}] \oplus r_{\gamma,0}\Delta_1)$  $G_{\gamma,1} := H(L_{\alpha,0}, L_{\beta,1}, \gamma, 1) \oplus (r_{\gamma,1}, M[r_{\gamma,1}], L_{\gamma,0} \oplus K[s_{\gamma,1}] \oplus r_{\gamma,1}\Delta_1)$  $G_{\gamma,2} := H(L_{\alpha,1}, L_{\beta,0}, \gamma, 2) \oplus (r_{\gamma,2}, M[r_{\gamma,2}], L_{\gamma,0} \oplus K[s_{\gamma,2}] \oplus r_{\gamma,2}\Delta_1)$  $G_{\gamma,3} := H(L_{\alpha,1}, L_{\beta,1}, \gamma, 3) \oplus (r_{\gamma,3}, M[r_{\gamma,3}], L_{\gamma,0} \oplus K[s_{\gamma,3}] \oplus r_{\gamma,3}\Delta_1)$ 

(d)  $P_2$  locally computes the set  $\{(s_{\gamma,i}, M|s_{\gamma,i}]\}$  $K[r_{\gamma,i}])\}_{i\in[3]}$  as below and sends the set to *Server*:

> $s_{\gamma,0}, M[s_{\gamma,0}], K[r_{\gamma,0}]$  $s_{\gamma,1}, M[s_{\gamma,1}], K[r_{\gamma,1}]$  $s_{\gamma,2}, M[s_{\gamma,2}], K[r_{\gamma,2}]$  $s_{\gamma,3}, M[s_{\gamma,3}], K[r_{\gamma,3}]$

where  $s_{\gamma,i}$ ,  $M[s_{\gamma,i}]$ , and  $K[r_{\gamma,i}]$  for  $i \in [3]$  are computed as follows:

$$
\begin{cases}\ns_{\gamma,0} := s_{\sigma} \oplus s_{\gamma} \\
s_{\gamma,1} := s_{\sigma} \oplus s_{\gamma} \oplus s_{\alpha} \\
s_{\gamma,2} := s_{\sigma} \oplus s_{\gamma} \oplus s_{\beta} \\
s_{\gamma,3} := s_{\sigma} \oplus s_{\gamma} \oplus s_{\alpha} \oplus s_{\beta} \oplus 1\n\end{cases}
$$

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\left\{ \begin{aligned} M[s_{\gamma,0}] &:= M[s_\sigma] \oplus M[s_\gamma] \\ M[s_{\gamma,1}] &:= M[s_\sigma] \oplus M[s_\gamma] \oplus M[s_\alpha] \\ M[s_{\gamma,2}] &:= M[s_\sigma] \oplus M[s_\gamma] \oplus M[s_\beta] \\ M[s_{\gamma,3}] &:= M[s_\sigma] \oplus M[s_\gamma] \oplus M[s_\alpha] \oplus M[s_\beta] \end{aligned} \right.
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\begin{cases}\nK[r_{\gamma,0}] := K[r_{\sigma}] \oplus K[r_{\gamma}]) \\
K[r_{\gamma,1}] := K[r_{\sigma}] \oplus K[r_{\gamma}] \oplus K[r_{\alpha}]) \\
K[r_{\gamma,2}] := K[r_{\sigma}] \oplus K[r_{\gamma}] \oplus K[r_{\beta}]) \\
K[r_{\gamma,3}] := K[r_{\sigma}] \oplus K[r_{\gamma}] \oplus K[r_{\alpha}] \oplus K[r_{\beta}])\n\end{cases}
$$

Also,  $P_2$  computes  $\{V_2^{A_{ID},i,K}\}_{i\in[3]} = \{K[r_{\gamma,i}]\}_{i\in[3]}.$ 

#### Phase 2 : Inputs processing

5) For each wire  $w \in I_1$ :

 $P_2$  sends  $(s_w, M[s_w])$  to  $P_1$  who checks whether the triple  $(s_w, M[s_w], K[s_w])$  is valid. If so,  $P_1$  recovers the mask bit  $\lambda_w := s_w \oplus r_w$  and sends both the masked input  $r \oplus \lambda$  and the label  $L$ masked input  $x_w \oplus \lambda_w$  and the label  $L_{w,x_w \oplus \lambda_w}$  to Server.

6) For each wire  $w \in I_2$ :

 $P_1$  sends  $(r_w, M[r_w])$  to  $P_2$  who checks whether the triple  $(r_w, M[r_w], K[r_w])$  is valid. If so,  $P_2$  recovers the mask bit  $\lambda_w := s_w \oplus r_w$ . Then, it sends the masked<br>input  $u \oplus \lambda$  to  $P$  and *Server* Finally  $P$  sends the input  $y_w \oplus \lambda_w$  to  $P_1$  and *Server*. Finally,  $P_1$  sends the corresponding label  $L_{\text{max}}$  to *Server* corresponding label  $L_{w,y_w \oplus \lambda_w}$  to Server.

Phase 3 : Circuit evaluation

7) Server evaluates the circuit following the logical topology of circuit  $C_f$ . For each gate  $G = (\alpha, \beta, \gamma, T)$ with two input wires  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , and the output wire  $\gamma$ , Server holds the two tuples  $(z_{\alpha} \oplus \lambda_{\alpha}, L_{\alpha, z_{\alpha} \oplus \lambda_{\alpha}})$  and

 $(z_{\beta} \oplus \lambda_{\beta}, L_{\beta, z_{\beta} \oplus \lambda_{\beta}})$  received from  $P_1$ , where  $z_{\alpha}$  and  $z_{\beta}$ <br>are the actual values of the wires are the actual values of the wires.

- (a) If  $T = \bigoplus$ , for the output wire y: Server computes the masked output  $z_{\gamma} \oplus \lambda_{\gamma} := (z_{\alpha} \oplus \lambda_{\alpha}) \oplus (z_{\beta} \oplus \lambda_{\alpha})$ <br>and the corresponding label  $L$ and the corresponding label  $L_{\gamma,z_{\gamma}\oplus \lambda_{\gamma}} := L_{\alpha,z_{\alpha}\oplus \lambda_{\alpha}}$  $\oplus L_{\beta,z_{\beta}\oplus\lambda_{\beta}}.$ <br>If  $T = \wedge$
- (b) If  $T = \wedge$ , for the output wire y: Server first computes  $i := 2(z_{\alpha} \oplus \lambda_{\alpha}) \oplus (z_{\beta} \oplus \lambda_{\beta})$  and puts i into<br>the index list *List* := { A<sub>*LD</sub>* i}. Then it recovers</sub> the index list  $List := \{A_{ID}, i\}$ . Then, it recovers  $(r_{\gamma,i},M[r_{\gamma,i}],L_{\gamma,0}\oplus K[s_{\gamma,i}]\oplus r_{\gamma,i}\Delta_1):=G_{\gamma,i}\oplus H$  $(L_{\alpha,z_{\alpha}\oplus\lambda_{\alpha}}, L_{\beta,z_{\beta}\oplus\lambda_{\beta}}, \gamma, i)$ . Then, it sets  $V_1^{A_{ID},i,S} := s_{\gamma,i}$ <br> $L_{AD}, i,M$ ,  $M_{I_{\alpha}} = 1$ ,  $L_{AD}, i,R$ ,  $\ldots$ , and  $L_{AD}, i,M$ .  $V_1^{A_{ID},i,M} := M[s_{\gamma,i}], V_2^{A_{ID},i,R} := r_{\gamma,i}$  and  $V_2^{A_{ID},i,M} := M[r^{-1}]$ . Then *Server* computes the masked output  $M[r_{v,i}]$ . Then, Server computes the masked output  $z_y \oplus \lambda_y := (s_{y,i} \oplus r_{y,i})$  and the corresponding label<br> $L = (L_{\theta} \oplus K[s_{\theta}] \oplus r_{\theta} \Delta_x) \oplus M[s_{\theta}]$  $L_{\gamma,z_{\gamma}\oplus\lambda_{\gamma}} := (L_{\gamma,0}\oplus K[s_{\gamma,i}]\oplus r_{\gamma,i}\Delta_1)\oplus M[s_{\gamma,i}].$ <br>After *Server* computes the last AND gate it
- (c) After Server computes the last AND gate, it computes the following values:  $V_1^{A,S} := \bigoplus_{A_{ID} \in A} V_1^{A_{ID},i,S}$  $V_1^{A,M} := \bigoplus_{A_{ID} \in A} V_1^{A_{ID},i,M}$ ,  $V_2^{A,R} := \bigoplus_{A_{ID} \in A} V_2^{A_{ID},i,R}$ <br>  $V_1^{A,M} = \bigoplus_{A_{ID} \in A} V_1^{A_{ID},i,M}$  Then it explose  $(V^{A,B})$  $V_{2A,M}^{A,M} := \bigoplus_{A_{ID} \in A} V_2^{A_{ID},i,M}$ . Then it sends  $(V_1^{A,S}, V_2^{A,M})$  *List*) to *P*, for check *P*, first computes  $V_1^{A,M}$ , *List*) to  $P_1$  for check.  $P_1$  first computes  $V_1^{A,K} := \bigoplus_{A_{ID}} \in A V_1^{A_{ID},i,K}$  based on the *List*, and checks  $(V_1^{A,S}, V_1^{A,M}, V_1^{A,K})$ . If the verification suc-<br>cesses  $P_1$  returns *continue* to *Server*: Otherwise cesses,  $P_1$  returns *continue* to *Server*; Otherwise, it returns *abort*. Similarly, *Server* also sends  $(V_2^{A,R}, V_1^{A,M} I_2 s)$  to  $P_2$  for check  $P_2$  first computes  $V_2^{A,M}, List$  to  $P_2$  for check.  $P_2$  first computes  $V_2^{A,K} := \bigoplus_{A_{ID} \in A} V_2^{A_{ID},i,K}$  based on the *List*, and checks  $(V_2^{A,R}, V_2^{A,M}, V_2^{A,K})$ . If the verification<br>successes  $P_2$  returns continue to *Server*: Othersuccesses,  $P_2$  returns *continue* to *Server*; Otherwise, it returns abort. If Server receives continue both from  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , it continues; Otherwise, it aborts.

Phase 4 : Outputs distribution

8) For each wire  $w \in O$ :

 $P_1$  sends  $(r_w, M[r_w])$  to  $P_2$  and  $P_2$  checks whether  $(r_w, M[r_w], K[r_w])$  is valid. Similarly,  $P_2$  sends  $(s_w,$  $M[s_w]$ ) to  $P_1$  and  $P_1$  checks whether  $(s_w, M[s_w],$  $K[s_w]$  is valid. If any one of the two verifications fails, the party sends abort to Server. Otherwise, Server sends the masked output  $z_w \oplus \lambda_w$  to both  $P_1$ <br>and  $P_2$ . Then  $P_2$  and  $P_2$  can recover the final actual and  $P_2$ . Then  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  can recover the final actual output  $z_w := (z_w \oplus \lambda_w) \oplus r_w \oplus s_w$ 

#### 6 SECURITY ANALYSIS

#### 6.1 Security Definition

We follow the security definition first formally provided by Kamara et al. [16] and first specified in two-party case by Carter et al. [17]. We summarize the definition here and suggest readers to the previous works for a more formal and complete definition.

In the real-model execution, the protocol is executed by three parties: two client parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , and one Server.  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  respectively provide the computation input  $x_i$ , auxiliary input  $z_i$  and random coins  $r_i$ , where  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . Server only provides the auxiliary input  $z_3$  and random coins  $r_3$ . We assume that the *Server* should not collude with party  $P_1$  defined by [15]. There exists some subset of three independent malicious adveraries

 $\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$ . Each adversary  $A_i$  of the subset can corrupt one participant party  $P_i$ . For honest party  $P_i$ , let  $OUT_i$  be the output of  $P_i$ . For the corrupted party  $P_i$ , let  $OUT_i$  be the view of the protocol for  $P_i$ . The *i*th partial output of a real-model execution is defined as follows:

$$
REAL^{(i)}(k, x, r) = \{OUT_j : j \in H\} \cup OUT_i,
$$

where k is the security parameter,  $x = \{x_1, x_2\}$  is the set of computation inputs for all parties,  $r = \{r_1, r_2, r_3\}$  is the set of random coins for all parties, and  $H$  is the set of honest parties.

In the ideal-model execution, there exist four parties: two client parties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , one *Server*, and one trusted third party. The first three parties provide their inputs to the trusted third party. In particular,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  respectively provides the computation input  $x_i$ , auxiliary input  $z_i$  and random coins  $r_i$ , where  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ ; Server provides the auxiliary input  $z_3$  and random coins  $r_3$ . Once receiving these inputs, the trusted party evaluates the predefined function  $f$  and returns the output to  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . Note that *Server* has no output because it does not provide the computation input of the function  $f$  to the trusted third party. If the party is honest or semi-honest, it provides the real input; While if the party is malicious, it provides the arbitrary input rather than the real one. If any party aborts early and refuses to send the input, the trusted third party will abort immediately and send no output. For honest party  $P_i$ , let  $OUT_i$  be the output of  $P_i$  from the trusted third party. For the corrupted party  $P_i$ , let  $OUT_i$  be the arbitrary value generated by  $P_i$  itself. The *i*th partial output of an ideal-model execution in the presence of independent malicious simulators  $S = \{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$  is defined as follows:

$$
IDEAL^{(i)}(k, x, r) = \{OUT_j : j \in H\} \cup OUT_i,
$$

where the parameter  $k, x, r, H$  are the same as defined in the real-model execution.

Based on this real/ideal-model, the formal security definition is provided as follows:

**Definition 1.** A server-aided protocol can securely compute the function f if there exists a set of probabilistic polynomial-time (PPT) simulators  $\{Sim_i\}_{i \in [3]}$  such that all PPT adversaries  ${A_i}_{i \in [3]}$ , computation inputs x and auxiliary inputs z, for all  ${A_i}_{i \in [3]}$ .  $i \in [3]:$ 

$$
REAL^{(i)}(k, x, r)_{k \in N} \stackrel{c}{\approx} IDEAL^{(i)}(k, x, r)_{k \in N}.
$$

Where  $S = \{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$ ,  $S_i = Sim_i(A_i)$  and r is chosen uniformly at random.

We also specialize the lemma in [15] for 3 parties that we will use for proofs as follows:

**Lemma 1.** If a multi-party protocol among 3 parties  $\{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$ , securely computes function f, in presence of (1) semi-honest and independent parties and (2) a malicious party  $P_i$  and honest parties  $\{P_i\}$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}/\{j\}$ , then the multi-party protocol is also secure in presence of a malicious party  $P_i$  with all the other semi-honest parties.

#### 6.2 Security Proofs

Based on the above security definition, we provide proofs for the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** The efficient server-aided two-party protocol securely computes a function  $f(x, y) \rightarrow z$  to against the following adversary structure  $ADV$ : (1) Any one of the two client parties is malicious and cannot collude with the other semi-honest client party and semi-honest Server. (2)  $P_2$  is malicious and can collude with semi-honest Server, while  $P_1$  is honest.

$$
ADV = \begin{cases} (P_1[m_{nc}], P_2[s], S[s]) \\ (P_1[s], P_2[m_{nc}], S[s]) \\ (P_1[h], P_2[m_c], S[s_c]) \end{cases},
$$

where  $m_{nc}$  refers to malicious and non-collude,  $s$  refers to semi-honest, h refers to honest,  $m_c$  refers to malicious and collude, and  $s_c$  refers to semi-honest and collude.

As the security definition in the Section 6.1 is based on the real/ideal model paradigm, we need to provide the security proofs to prove that the joint output distribution of the adversary and honest parties of the protocol for realmodel execution and that for the ideal-model execution are indistinguishable. Since the security goals of the protocol are guaranteed in the ideal-model execution with a trusted third party, the indistinguishable result of the real-model and ideal-model executions indicates that the protocol for real-model execution can provide the same security guarantees as ideal-model execution.

To prove the first setting in Theorem 1: First, we prove the condition (1) of Lemma 1 which involves two cases:  $(P_1|s)$ ,  $P_2[h], S[h]$  and  $(P_1[h], P_2[s], S[h])$ ; Second, we prove the condition (2) of Lemma 1 respectively, namely  $(P_1[m_{nc}], P_2[h],$  $S[h]$  and  $(P_1[h], P_2[m_{nc}], S[h])$ ; Finally, with the above proofs and Lemma 1, we reach the conclusion that our protocol securely computes function  $f$  in the first setting of Theorem 1, namely  $(P_1[m_{nc}], P_2[s], S[s])$  and  $(P_1[s], P_2[m_{nc}], S[s])$ .

To prove the second setting in Theorem 1: we reduce it to the based maliciously secure 2PC protocol and provide the corresponding description.

#### 6.2.1 Semi-Honest Party  $P_1$  or  $P_2$

(1) Semi-honest party  $P_1$   $(P_1[s], P_2[h], S[h])$ :

In this setting,  $P_1$  is semi-honest and follows the protocol while  $P_2$  and *Server* are both honest. We construct simulator  $S_1$  that runs  $A_1$  as a subroutine and plays the role of  $P_1$  interacting with the third trusted party.  $S_1$  receives the input of  $P_1$ and sends it to the trusted third party. Then, the third party computes the output of function  $f: z := f(x, y)$  and returns z to  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . Then,  $S_1$  plays the role of  $P_2$  interacting with the semi-honest adversary  $A_1$  to collect all the random bits  ${r_w, s_w}_{w \in Q}$ . Hence, it can compute the mask bits  ${\lambda_w}_{w \in Q}$ <br>and recover the actual output bits  ${s_v}_\lambda$ . It is obvious that and recover the actual output bits  $\{z_w\}_{w\in O}$ . It is obvious that the views of the semi-honest adversary  $A_1$  are indistinguishable in both real and ideal model.

$$
REAL^{(1)}(k, x, r)_{k \in N} \stackrel{c}{\approx} IDEAL^{(1)}(k, x, r)_{k \in N}.
$$

(2) Semi-honest party  $P_2(P_1[h], P_2[s], S[h])$ :

In this setting,  $P_2$  is semi-honest and follows the protocol while  $P_1$  and *Server* are both honest. Since this setting is

very similar to the above, we only provide the conclusion as bellow and omit the proof here.

$$
REAL^{(2)}(k, x, r)_{k \in N} \stackrel{c}{\approx} IDEAL^{(2)}(k, x, r)_{k \in N}.
$$

Based on the above we conclude that our protocol securely computes function f in presence of cases  $(P_1[s], P_2[h], S[h])$ and  $(P_1[s], P_2[h], S[h])$ , which satisfies the condition (1) of Lemma 1.

#### 6.2.2 Malicious Party  $P_1$   $(P_1[m_{nc}], P_2[s], S[s])$

In this setting,  $P_1$  can maliciously adopt any strategy to deviate from the protocol while  $P_2$  and Server are both semihonest.

First, we prove  $(P_1[m_{nc}], P_2[h], S[h])$  which satisfies the condition (2) of Lemma 1. Second, combined with the condition (1) of Lemma 1 proved at above, we can reach the conclusion that our protocol securely computes function  $f$  against  $(P_1[m_{nc}], P_2[s], S[s])$ .

For  $(P_1[m_{nc}], P_2[h], S[h])$ , we construct a simulator  $S_1$  that runs  $A_1$  as a subroutine and plays the role of  $P_1$  interacting with the third trusted party. In particular,  $S_1$  is defined as bellow in the ideal world setting:

- 1) For step 1 to 4,  $S_1$  takes role of an honest  $P_2$  and Server and interacts with  $A_1$ . It records all the values that would have been sent to  $P_2$  and Server.  $S_1$  also takes the role fo  $F_{PRE}$  and records all the value sent to and received from  $P_1$ .
- 2) For step 5, for each wire  $w \in I_1$ , based on the  $\hat{x}_w$ received from  $P_1$  and  $r_w$ ,  $s_w$  sent to  $P_1$ ,  $S_1$  computes  $x_w = \hat{x}_w \oplus r_w \oplus s_w$ . Then  $S_1$  sends  $x = \{x_w\}_{w \in I_1}$  to the third trusted party who returns  $\{z_w\}_{w\in O} = z = f(x, y)$ .
- 3) For step 6 to 7,  $S_1$  takes role of an honest  $P_2$  and interacts with  $A_1$ . It provides the 0-string as the honest  $P_2$ 's input y. If  $P_2$  aborts,  $S_1$  sends abort to the third trusted party; Otherwise,  $S_1$  sends *continue*.
- 4) For step 8, for each wire  $w \in O$ , if  $z_w' = z_w$ ,  $S_1$  takes the role of an honest  $P_2$  and sends  $(s, M | s_1)$  to  $A \cdot O$ throle of an honest  $P_2$  and sends  $(s_w, M[s_w])$  to  $A_1$ ; Otherwise,  $S_1$  sends  $(s_w \oplus 1, M[s_w] \oplus \Delta_1)$  to  $A_1$ . Then,  $S_1$ outputs whatever  $A_1$  outputs.

We then provide the following experiments to prove the security in the setting where  $P_1$  is malicious,  $P_2$  and Server are honest.

 $Hyb1(k, x, r)$ : This is the hybrid-world protocol, where  $S_1$ takes role of an honest  $P_2$  and  $F_{PRE}$ . It uses the actual input of  $P_2$ .

 $Hyb2(k, x, r)$ : This experiment is the same as  $Hyb1^{(1)}(k, r)$ <br>over that (1) For step 6 for each wire  $w \in L_1$  based on  $(x, r)$ , except that: (1) For step 6, for each wire  $w \in I_2$ , based on the  $\hat{x}_w$  received from  $P_1$  and  $r_w$ ,  $s_w$  sent to  $P_1$ ,  $S_1$  recovers  $x_w = \hat{x}_w \oplus r_w \oplus s_w$ . Then,  $S_1$  sends  $x_w$  to the trusted third party to get  $\{z_w\}_{w\in O} = f(x, y)$ ; (2) For step 8,  $S_1$  calculates  $s'_w := \hat{z}_w \oplus r_w \oplus z_w$  for each wire  $w \in O$ , and sends  $(s'_w, \kappa[s'] \oplus s', \lambda)$  to  $A$ .  $\tilde{K}[s_w'] \oplus s_w'\Delta_1$ ) to  $A_1$ .

Lemma 2.

$$
Hyb1(k, x, r) \stackrel{c}{\approx} Hyb2(k, x, r).
$$

**Proof.** Because these two experiments both use the inputs 
$$
x
$$
 and  $y$  to evaluate the function  $f$ , and the view of  $A_1$  and

 $S_1$  is identical due to the  $z_w$  that  $A_1$  calculates by  $z_w =$  $\hat{z}_w \oplus \lambda_w$  is the same as  $S_1$  receives from the trusted third party. Furthermore, the output of  $P_2$  does not change party. Furthermore, the output of  $P_2$  does not change between these two experiments.

 $Hyb3(k, x, r)$ : This experiment is the same as  $Hyb2(k, x, r)$ , except that for for step 1,  $S_1$  randomly chooses  $\{u_w\}_{w\in I_2}$  and send it to  $P_2$  to replace the  $\{s_w\}_{w\in I_2}$  used before, and set  $s_w := u_w \oplus y_w$  for every  $w \in I_2$ .

Lemma 3.

$$
Hyb2(k, x, r) \stackrel{c}{\approx} Hyb3(k, x, r).
$$

**Proof.** Because  ${u_w}_{w\in I_2}$  is randomly generated, so does  $\{s_w\}_{w\in I_2}$ . The view of S and adversary  $A_1$  is identically distributed. The same for the output of  $B_2$  in both distributed. The same for the output of  $P_2$  in both experiments.

 $Hyb4(k, x, r)$ : This experiment is the same as  $Hyb3(k, x, r)$ , except that for step 6,  $S_1$  takes the role of an honest  $P_2$  and interacts with  $A_1$ . It provides the 0-string as the input of the honest  $P_2$ .

#### Lemma 4.

$$
Hyb3(k, x, r) \stackrel{c}{\approx} Hyb4(k, x, r).
$$

**Proof.** Although the value of  $y$  is different in both experiments, but there exists  $y_w \oplus \lambda_w = r_w \oplus u_w$  in both experiments. So the view of S and adversary  $A_i$  is identically ments. So the view of S and adversary  $A_1$  is identically distributed. Also, If  $S_1$  aborts, which means  $P_2$  aborts, as to the  $P_2$ 's abort based on y can take place by choosing which row of the garbled table to decrypt. This depends on the calculation on  $\lambda_{\alpha} \oplus z_{\alpha}$  and  $\lambda_{\beta} \oplus z_{\beta}$  which are dis-<br>tributed uniformly in these two experiments If S, does tributed uniformly in these two experiments. If  $S_1$  does not abort, the distribution on the output of  $P_2$  in both experiments are identical.  $\Box$ 

The experiment  $Hyb4(k, x, r)$  is the ideal world execution described above. We conclude that based on above series of experiments, the following equation holds which proves Definition 1 when  $P_1$  is malicious,  $P_2$  and *Server* are honest.

$$
REAL(k, x, r)_{k \in N} \stackrel{c}{\approx} IDEAL(k, x, r)_{k \in N}.
$$

Together the above proof with the proof for condition (1) in Lemma 1 and Lemma 1, we reach the conclusion that our server-aided protocol meets the case (1) in Theorem 1, namely  $(P_1[m], P_2[s], S[s])$  where  $P_1$  is malicious,  $P_2$  and Server are semi-honest.

#### 6.2.3 Malicious Party  $P_2(P_1[s], P_2[m_{nc}], S[s])$

In this setting,  $P_2$  can maliciously adopt any strategy to deviate from the protocol while  $P_1$  and  $Server$  are semi-honest.

Since the proof for this case is similar as above, thus we omit it here and provide the conclusion that our protocol can securely compute function f against  $(P_1|s|, P_2|m_{nc}|, S|s)$ .

6.2.4 Malicious Party  $P_2$  and  $Server(P_1[h], P_2[m_c], S[s_c])$ In this setting,  $P_2$  is malicious and can collude with semihonest Server, while  $P_1$  is honest. Thus, the security reduces to the original 2PC protocol [13] for the case where  $P_2$  is

Work $P_1$		P <sub>2</sub>	Server		
[KMR12]([16])	$\frac{2}{5}\sigma x  + \frac{4}{5}\sigma z  +  C  + 2( x  +  y )Hash$	$\frac{2}{5}\sigma y  + \frac{4}{5}\sigma z  + 2( x  +  y )$ Hash	$rac{4}{5}\sigma z  + \sigma C $		
[CMTB13]([17])	$2\sigma x  + \sigma z  + \sigma C  + (\sigma x  + 2\sigma y )$ $+\sigma)$ Hash + tOT + 1CT	$\frac{2}{5}\sigma  x  +  z  + \frac{2}{5}\sigma + tOT + 1CT$	$\frac{2}{5}\sigma z  + \sigma C  + \sigma$ Hash + $ z ZK$		
[CLT14] ( [14])	$(1+\sigma) x +\frac{2}{5}\sigma z $	$\frac{3}{5}\sigma x  + \frac{3}{5}\sigma y  + \frac{3}{5}\sigma z  + \frac{3}{5}\sigma c  +$ $\frac{2}{5}\sigma C + z Hash+ y OT+\sigma OT$	$5\sigma  x  + 5\sigma  y  + (2\sigma + 1) z  +$ $3\sigma c  + \sigma C  +  y OT + \sigma OT$		
$[CMTB16]$ $([19])$	$6 x  + 2 z  + 8 x MAC$	$3 x MAC +  C (2PC - OP)$	$2 x + z +3 x MAC+ C (2PC-OP)$		
[BB16]([20])	$2 x + z Hash+2 x Com+ x ZK$	$ C $ + 2 Z Hash +  y OT+ $( x + y )Com+ y ZK$	$2 x +2 y + C + y OT+( x + y )ZK$		
[MOR16]([21])	$ x + z +18 C +2 C Hash+2 C MAC$	$ z  + 34 C  + 2 C Hash$	$6 C  + ( x  +  y  + 3 C )MAC$		
This Work	$2 x +3 z +46 C +8 C Hash+$ $(2 x + y + z +2 C )MAC$	$2 y  + 2 z  + 33 C  + 4 C Hash +$ $( x +2 y + z +2 C )MAC$	$7 C  +  C $ <i>Hash</i>		

TABLE 2 Comparison of Computation Cost in the Literature

Note: The computation cost is measured by the number of symmetric encryption operations or XOR operations, Hash operations (Hash), oblivious transfer operation  $(OT)$ , coin tossing operation  $(CT)$ , message authentication code operations  $(MAC)$  and zero-knowledge proofs operations  $(ZK)$ .  $|x|, |y|, |z|, |C|$  are the input size of  $P_1$ , input size of  $P_2$ , the output size, the special input size of Server and circuit size respectively.  $\sigma$  is the number of circuits used in cut-and-choose approach.

malicious. Thus, we omit the proof here and suggest the reader to the [13] for more details. However, since  $P_2$  and Server collude together, the fairness property cannot be provided in this setting. Because  $P_2$  can always get the final output earlier than  $P_1$ , and can decide whether to abort the protocol for preventing  $P_1$  from receiving the output.

# 7 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

#### 7.1 Asymptotic Evaluation

We first provide the asymptotic evaluation by comparing the related previous works in the literature. Based on the Table 1, we select the works [14], [16], [17], [19], [20], [21] which achieve maliciously security. We omit the comparison for three works [15], [18], [22] and give reasons as follows: For the work [15], it is improved by the work [16], so it is a wise choice to compare with [16] directly. For the work [18], it works in a different framework from ours with multiple servers. Also, it neither permits the collusion between client parties and servers nor provides the fairness guarantee. For the work [22], it can only prevent semi-honest adversary, and neither considers collusion nor fairness.

As shown in Table 2, we conclude the asymptotic computation cost as follows: Since the protocols in [16], [17] and [14] are all based on the cut-and-choose technique to achieve security in the malicious model, the computation cost for each of the three participant parties related to the parameter  $\sigma$  which is the number of generated circuits used in the cutand-choose based protocols. To ensure an adversary could succeed in cheating with probability at most  $2^{-40}$ , the parameter  $\sigma$  should be 128 according to  $2^{-40} = 2^{-0.32 \times \sigma}$ . This incurs significant computation overhead in these protocols. For the work [19], as it only provides the sever-aided 2PC framework where  $P_2$  and *Server* run some 2PC protocol as a black box for circuit evaluation, it is hard to estimate the computation cost for  $P_2$  and *Server*. Therefore, we cannot tell whether the cost of their work is lower or higher than ours. For the work [20], the protocol utilizes oblivious transfer (OT), commitments and zero-knowledge proofs (ZK) to achieve input

certification. However, these techniques are high overhead computation operations. Since the OT and ZK operations are at least 2-3 orders of magnitude slower than Pseudo Random Generator (PRG) utilized by information-theoretic MAC in this work against malicious adversary, these high overhead operations do affect the efficiency of work [20] compared with this work. However, it is not easy to get the result directly from the asymptotic computation cost comparison, as the operations calculation is complicated for this work. Therefore, we would provide the concrete experimental comparison for these two works in the next section. For the work [21], although the asymptotic computation cost shows that it has less overhead than ours, the experimental results provided in the next section show that its running time is 10 times less efficient than ours. The detailed reason is provided in the next section and omitted here.

As shown in Table 3, we conclude the asymptotic communication cost as follows: The first three works are all based on the cut-and-choose technique of which the parameter  $\sigma$  has to be at least 128 to achieve the security of  $2^{-40}$ . Thus, the communication overhead of them is higher than our work. For the work [19], the communication cost of  $P_1 \leftrightarrow Server$  and  $P_1 \leftrightarrow P_2$  is lower than ours. However, as it provides the 2PC like a black box, the 2PC communication cost of  $P_2 \leftrightarrow Server$ cannot be calculated. Therefore, it is hard to tell whether this protocol costs higher than ours or not in theory. For the work [20], the communication cost of these three types are all less than ours and the experimental data in next section also proves this. But this communication cost advantage does not benefit the execution time of it, the experimental data provided in the next section shows that this work is 81 times faster than work [20]. The detailed analysis for this is provided in the next section and omitted here. For the work [21], although communication cost of  $P_2 \leftrightarrow Server$  and  $P_1 \leftrightarrow P_2$  is lower than ours, this also does not benefit the running time of it as the communication latency will affect the execution time. The experimental data provided in the next section shows this work is 10 times faster than work [21]. The detailed analysis for this is provided in the next section and omitted here.

Work	$P_1 \leftarrow S$ erver	$P_2 \leftarrow S$ erver	$P_1 \leftarrow P_2$
[KMR12]([16])	$\frac{2}{5}\sigma x +3 z +\sigma C +2\sigma+( x + y )Hash$	$\frac{2}{5}\sigma y +3 z +\frac{7}{5}\sigma+( x + y )Hash$	$\theta$
[CMTB13] ([17])	$\frac{2}{5}\sigma x  + \sigma y  + (\frac{7}{5}\sigma + 1) z  + \frac{4}{5}\sigma +  z ZK$	$\frac{2}{5}\sigma x +(\frac{2}{5}\sigma+1) z +\frac{2}{5}\sigmaHash+ z ZK$	$\sigma  z  + 1CT$
$[CLT14]$ $([14])$	$\sigma  x  +  z $	$2\sigma  x  + (2\sigma + 1) y  + (2\sigma + 1) z  +$ $\sigma C  + ( y  + \sigma)OT$	$\sigma  x  + 2 z $
[CMTB16]([19])	$ z +2MAC$	$2 x  + 2 z  + 4MAC +  C (2PC - OP)$	$2 x  +  z  + 2MAC$
[BB16]([20])	$2 z +2 x Com+ x ZK$	$2 z  +  C  +  y OT +  x Com +  y ZK$	$2 x + y +2 z Hash$
[MOR16]([21])	$ x  +  y  + 3 C  + ( x  +  y  + 6 C )MAC$	$ x  +  y  + 3 C  + ( x  +  y  + 6 C )MAC$	$\vert x \vert + \vert y \vert + 2 \vert z \vert + 4 \vert C \vert + 2 \vert z \vert MAC$
This Work	$2 x  +  y  +  z  + 4 C Hash + 1MAC$	$ y + z +4 C +(8 C +1)MAC$	$3 x  + 4 y  + 2 z  + 4 C  + (5 x  +$ $6 y  + 2 z  + 8 C $ ) <i>MAC</i>

TABLE 3 Comparison of Communication Cost in the Literature

Note: The communication cost is measured by the number of symmetric encryption ciphertext, Hash strings (Hash), oblivious transfer strings (OT), coin tossing strings (CT), message authentication codes (MAC) and zero-knowledge proofs (ZK).  $|x|, |y|, |z|, |C|$  are the input size of  $P_1$ , input size of  $P_2$ , the output size and  $circuit size respectively.$   $\sigma$  is the number of circuits used in cut-and-choose approach.

#### 7.2 Experimental Evaluation

#### 7.2.1 Experiment Setup

Based on the implementation of [13], we expand it into the server-aided version for heterogeneous MCC. The corresponding setting and parameters for the implementation are shown as follows:

- 1) Computational security parameter  $\kappa = 128$  and statistical security parameter  $\rho = 40$ .
- 2) Deployment platform: One single-core 3.1 GHz machine with Intel i5-7267U processor running Ubuntu Linux 14.04 LTS. Note that in real heterogeneous MCC setting, Server is expected to have stronger computation resources such that it will have more cores and threads to run the code. Therefore, the execution time will be significantly reduced in practice.
- 3) Function  $f:$  We set the function  $f$  in our protocol to be AES, which is the standard benchmark for 2PC implementations and also tested widely in the server-aided 2PC implementations. One client party inputs the 128-bit text to be encrypted, and another party inputs the 128-bit key. Then, both client parties get the output for the function  $f$ , which is the ciphertext of the 128-bit text encrypted by AES. In our implementation, the corresponding parameter is  $|I_1| = 128$ ,  $|I_2| = 128$ ,  $|O| = 128$  and  $|C| = 6800$ , where  $|I_1|$  is the input size of  $P_1$ ,  $|I_2|$  is the input size of  $P_2$ ,  $|O|$  is the output size of function  $f$ , |C| is the circuit size of the corresponding boolean circuit.

#### 7.2.2 Experiment Data Analysis

We select two works [20] and [21] from previous serveraided 2PC works to be compared with for the following reasons: (1) With the experiment results that work [20] provided, it outperforms the work [16], [17], [14], and [19]. This makes it the representative work for the server-aided 2PC where server actually takes some task for client parties (i.e., circuit generation or circuit evaluation). Thus, we omit comparison with the other works; (2) Although [21] works in a different setting from ours and [20] (i.e., Server does not take circuit generation or evaluation work for client parties), the execution time that it provided is even better than work [20]. We believe it is necessary to show that our work also outperforms it. We implement our protocol on the AES circuit as stated in Section 7.2.1. We then summarize AES evaluation results that work [20] and [21] provided and compare with our work, as shown in Table 5.

For work [20], as shown in Table 4, the execution time that the client party  $P_1$  makes has been reduced to 266.36ms and 1:28ms for preprocessing and evaluation phase respectively, which makes the total execution time be reduced to 267:64ms that is 31 times less than work [20]. The execution time that the client party  $P_2$  takes has been reduced to 272.39ms and 1:17ms for preprocessing and evaluation phase respectively, which makes the total execution time be reduced to 273:56ms that is 16 times less than work [20]. Even though we significantly decrease the execution time for both client parties compared with work [20], the execution time of Server does not increase. It is 3446 times less than work [20] for the evaluation phase. Therefore, the total execution time of Server is 3581 times less than work [20]. The reason for this kind of significant decrease is as follows: We replace the part of scheme built with OT, commitment and ZK in work [20] with the information-theoretic MAC technique to guarantee the correctness of our work in the malicious model. The work [20] requires hundreds of exponentiations per gate, while our

TABLE 4 Comparison With Work [20] on Execution Time

Work	Party	Circuit Preprocessing	Circuit Evaluation	Total	
[BB16]([20])	Pı P, Server	8070ms 3990ms 380ms	280ms 400ms 10200ms	8350ms 4390ms 10600ms	
This Work	R Р, Server	266.36ms 272.39ms	1.28ms 1.17ms 2.96ms	267.64ms 273.56ms 2.96ms	

Note: The execution time of this work is averaged by 5 executions. The offline phase includes steps 1-4 of the protocol, and the online phase includes steps 5-8 of the protocol.

TABLE 5 Comparison of the Selected Server-aided 2PC Works

Work		Execution Time	<b>Communication Cost</b>			
	Circuit Preprocessing	Circuit Evaluation	Total	$P_1 \leftarrow S$ erver	$P_2 \leftrightarrow S$ erver	$P_1 \leftarrow P_2$
[BB16]([20]) [MOR16]([21])	12440ms 485ms	10880ms 2500ms	23320ms 2985 <sub>ms</sub>	149 KB $\overline{\phantom{a}}$	469 KB $\overline{\phantom{a}}$	4 KB -
This Work	284.74ms	2.96ms	287.70ms	$0.552$ MB	1.065 MB	6.478 MB

Note: The communication cost is measured by the size of transfered data between the corresponding communication channel. The dash mark means that the number was not provided by the work.

work only requires hundreds of PRG and XOR operations per gate. This makes the computation overhead drops at least 2-3 orders of magnitude. However, as the work [20] does not provide the overall running time of the protocol, we respectively sum the time of three columns in Table 4, and set it as the whole execution time for the circuit preprocessing, circuit evaluation and total without considering the parallelism of three participant parties in the implementation as shown in Table 5. Compared with our work, our work is 44 times and 3676 times faster than it for circuit preprocessing and evaluation phase respectively, which makes our total time 81 times outperform it.

Since the communication time can be varied based on different networks, we provide the communication cost evaluation based on the transferred data size. As shown in Table 5, compared with work [20], the communication cost of our work for each of the three parties is a little bit higher than it. The most fundamental reason for this increment is that we need to do the authenticated work along with the circuit based on information-theoretic MAC technique, which enables the protocol to work in the malicious model without high computation cost operations like zero-knowledge proofs. It is the fact that the execution time decreases, but the communication cost increases. Especially for the cost of  $P_1 \leftrightarrow P_2$ , the increment is not only caused by the authenticated values for the inputs of two client parties but also the authenticated values of all the AND gates in the circuit. However, the work [20] does not permit collusion which makes the security level of [20] weaker than ours (note that we only permit collusion in the case where malicious P2 and semi-honest Server can collude, while P1 is semi-honest). Besides, the execution time (which involves the communication time) of our work is much less than [20], which means that these little higher communication costs have a negligible effect on the performance.

For work [21], as shown in Table 5, our work is 1.7 times and 845 times faster than it for circuit preprocessing and evaluation phase respectively, which makes our total cost 10 times outperform it. The reason for this improvement is shown as follows: (1) For the circuit preprocessing phase, the server of work [21] not only needs to generate the authenticated random bits shares for the inputs wires, but also the authenticated Beaver triple shares for the non-XOR gates in the circuit. However, in our work, the above high overhead work is amortized by two client parties, which reduces the execution time of preprocessing phase by nearly half; (2) For the circuit evaluation phase, work [21] follows the GMW paradigm where the evaluation for each AND gate of the circuit requires multiple local computations and interactions. This leads to the high overhead in the circuit

evaluation phase, especially for the deep circuit. However, in our work, based on the Yao's garbled circuit paradigm, the evaluation for all AND gates of the circuit requires only one round interaction, which greatly improves the execution time of the evaluation phase. Furthermore, we provide the histogram to more directly show the performance improvement for this work compared with works [20] and [21], as shown in Fig. 6.

As the work [21] did not provide any concrete result on communication cost (i.e., the transferred data size) of the protocol, we omit this concrete communication comparison with it. Although the asymptotic communication comparison provided in Table 3 shows that the communication cost of  $P_2 \leftrightarrow Server$  and  $P_1 \leftrightarrow P_2$  is lower than ours, this does not benefit the total running time which contains the communication time as shown in Table 5. In fact, the communication time includes the latency which depends on the interaction time and data transferred time. As the interactions we need for circuit evaluation is quite lower than the work [21], which makes the communication time is lower and results in the lower execution time.

Based on the above experimental evaluation, we conclude that this work is the most efficient work compared with all the previous works. Besides, it can permit collusion between the garbled circuit evaluator and server with guaranteeing privacy and correctness in the malicious model. Also, it can guarantee fairness when collusion does not exist in the malicious model.



Fig. 6. Comparison for execution time.

#### 8 CONCLUSION

Since the current computing setting is mainly based on heterogeneous computation model (e.g., MCC), the standard 2PC protocol focusing on traditional homogeneous computation model is not suited well to the current computing setting. To address this, we provide an efficient server-aided secure two-party computation protocol in heterogeneous mobile cloud computing. Compared with previous works, this work is the first work that considers collusion between the garbled circuit evaluator and server with guaranteeing privacy and correctness in the malicious model. Also, it can guarantee fairness when collusion does not exist in the malicious model. The security analysis shows that our protocol can securely compute a function  $f(x, y)$  in the following two settings: (1) Any one of the two client parties is malicious and cannot collude with the other semi-honest client party and semi-honest Server; (2)  $P_2$  is malicious and can collude with semi-honest Server, while  $P_1$  is honest. The experimental performance analysis shows that this work outperforms all the previous work for at least 10 times with the same security level.

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