

# Mixing Additive and Multiplicative Masking for Probing Secure Polynomial Evaluation Methods

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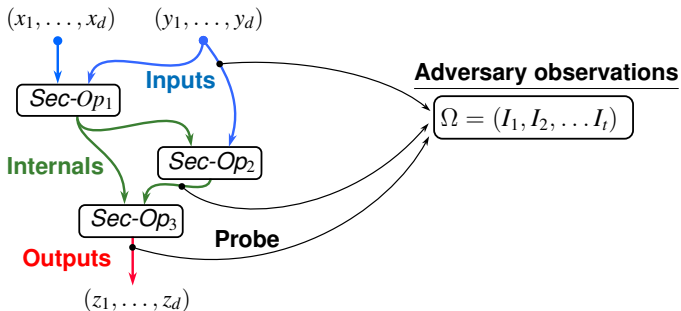
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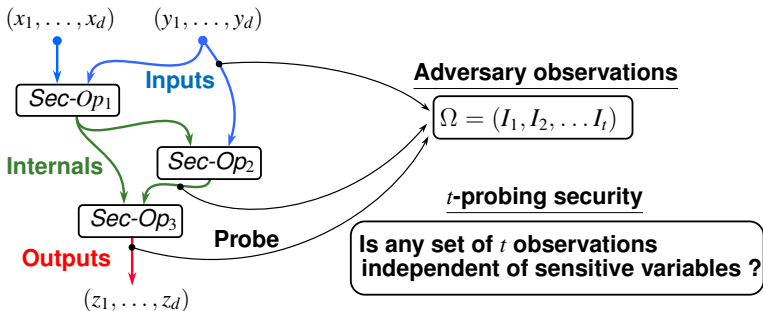
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  - More than 2 shares
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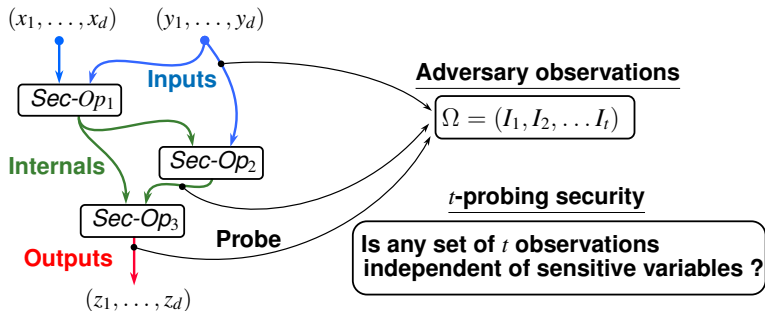
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- Two security notions : **t-NI** and **t-SNI** [BBDFG15]  
 ↪ t-SNI transformations can be composed safely

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## AES : [RP10]

$$S_{\text{AES}}(x) : x \mapsto x^{254} \text{ over } \mathbb{F}_{2^8}$$

## Generic case : [CGPQR12]

$$S(x) : x \mapsto \sum_{i=0}^{2^n-1} a_i x^i \text{ over } \mathbb{F}_{2^n}$$

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- **Masking schemes in other encodings**

CHES'11 : Prouff and Roche

CRYPTO'15 : Carlet et al.

EUROCRYPT'14 : Coron

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CHES'16 : Goudarzi and Rivain

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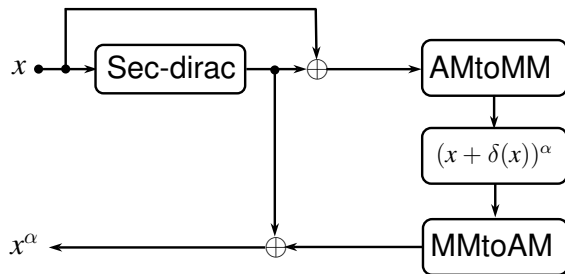
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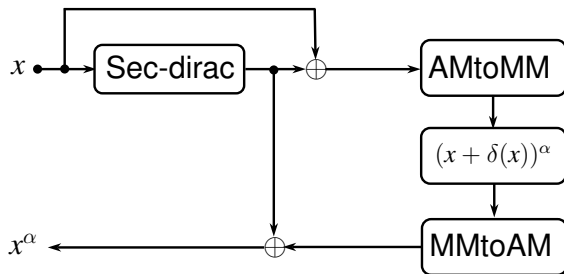
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- Secure processing of a Dirac function (**Secure-dirac**)
- Transformations to switch from additive into multiplicative masking (**AMtoMM**) and conversely (**MMtoAM**)

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## Our t-SNI proposals

- 1 One method based on the cyclotomic method [CGPQR12]
- 2 One method based on our first proposal and the CRV method [CRV14]

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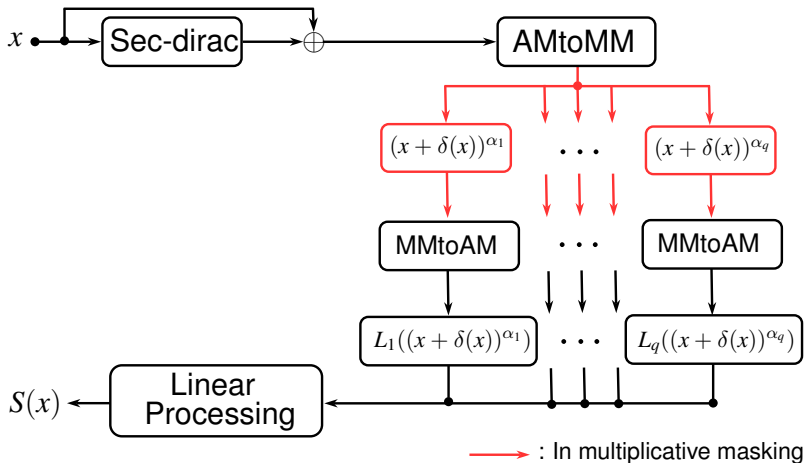
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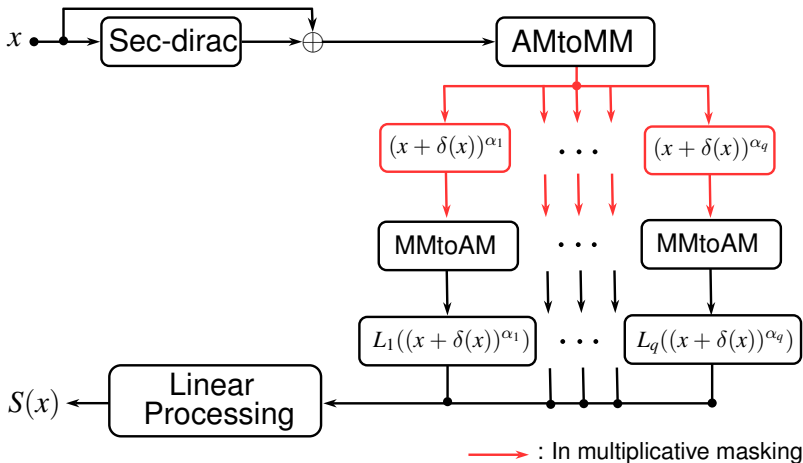
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# Assembly Language Performances : 8-bit Architecture

- Costs (in clock cycles) of evaluating S-boxes of size  $4 \leq n \leq 8$  with the cyclotomic method and our proposal

Method	Order	<i>n</i>				
		4	5	6	7	8
Our proposal	1	<b>83</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>1677</b>
Original		132	780	1716	2652	5148
Our proposal	2	276	<b>585</b>	<b>1362</b>	<b>2138</b>	<b>4205</b>
Original		<b>174</b>	1770	3894	6018	11682
Our proposal	3	477	<b>1036</b>	<b>2445</b>	<b>3854</b>	<b>7603</b>
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## Remarks

- **More choices** of cyclotomic classes to build  $x^L$
- **Larger sets**  $L \leftarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^l C_{\alpha_i}$  can be considered
- The alternate CRV method is **t-SNI**

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- Uses Alternate cyclotomic for one evaluation step
- New sets of parameters can be derived
- Outperforms the original method in most scenarios
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Thanks for your attention!