

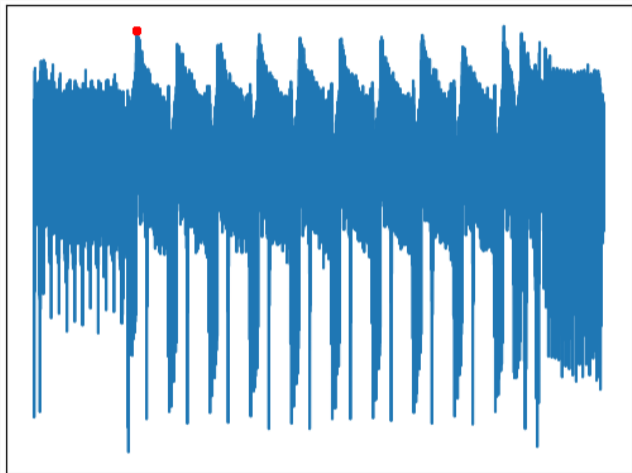
# Towards Globally Optimized Masking: From Low Randomness to Low Noise Rate

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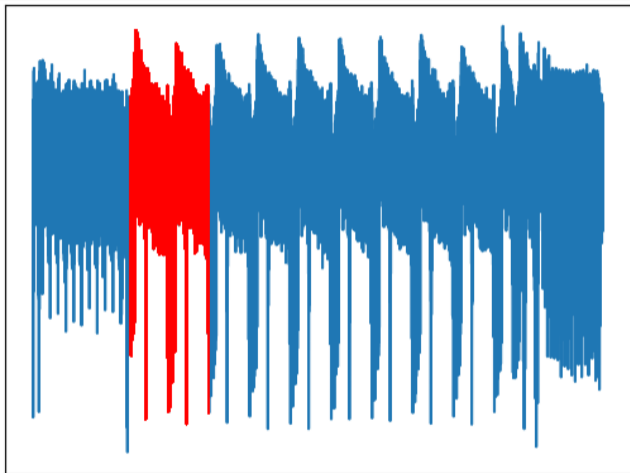
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Secure in the probing model at order  $t$ .

**What about horizontal attacks ?**

[BCPZ16]: Qualitative analysis and countermeasure.

# Contributions

Horizontal attacks against masking:

- Quantitative (heuristic-based) analysis
- Automated tool

Countermeasures:

- Improved masked multiplication gadget

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# Masked AND gate

([ISW03]-like) AND gadget:  $z = x \otimes y$

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_0 \\ z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \otimes y_0 & \oplus & (x_0 \otimes y_1 \oplus r_0) & \oplus & (x_0 \otimes y_2 \oplus r_1) \\ (x_1 \otimes y_0 \oplus r_0) & \oplus & x_1 \otimes y_1 & \oplus & (x_1 \otimes y_2 \oplus r_2) \\ (x_2 \otimes y_0 \oplus r_1) & \oplus & (x_2 \otimes y_1 \oplus r_2) & \oplus & x_2 \otimes y_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Other Masked AND gates

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## Compression

- Reduced randomness requirement [BBP+16].

## Product

- Other security property for composition (PINI) [CS18].

## MatGen

- Security against **horizontal attacks** [BCPZ16].

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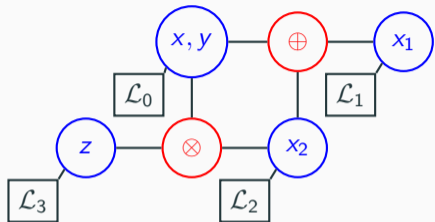
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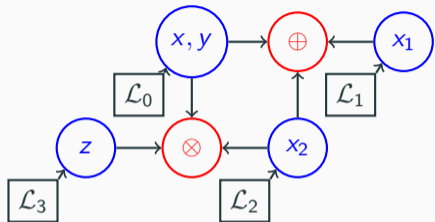
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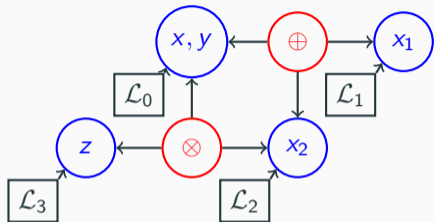
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# Local Random Probing Model (LRPM)

## $\epsilon$ -Random probing model

Observe for each variable  $x$ :

$$\begin{cases} x & \text{with probability } \epsilon \\ \perp & \text{with probability } 1 - \epsilon \end{cases}$$

## Local random probing model [GGS18]:

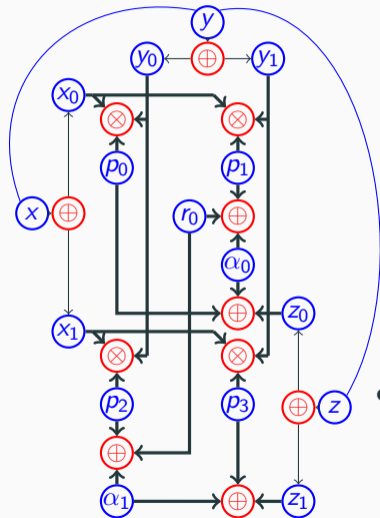
Random probing model adversary using BP.

## Computing bounds in the LRPM:

*Adaptation of BP to estimate mutual information (MI) instead of distributions.*

- Input: *noise level* as observation MI on manipulated variables.
- Result: *security level* as MI on sensitive target variables.

# LRPM example: Multiplication gadget



$$p_0 = x_0 \otimes y_0$$

$$p_1 = x_0 \otimes y_1$$

$$p_2 = x_1 \otimes y_0$$

$$p_3 = x_1 \otimes y_1$$

$$\alpha_0 = p_1 \oplus r_0$$

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$$z_0 = p_0 \oplus \alpha_0$$

$$z_1 = p_3 \oplus \alpha_1$$

- Every operand/result computation leaks (sources of thick edges)



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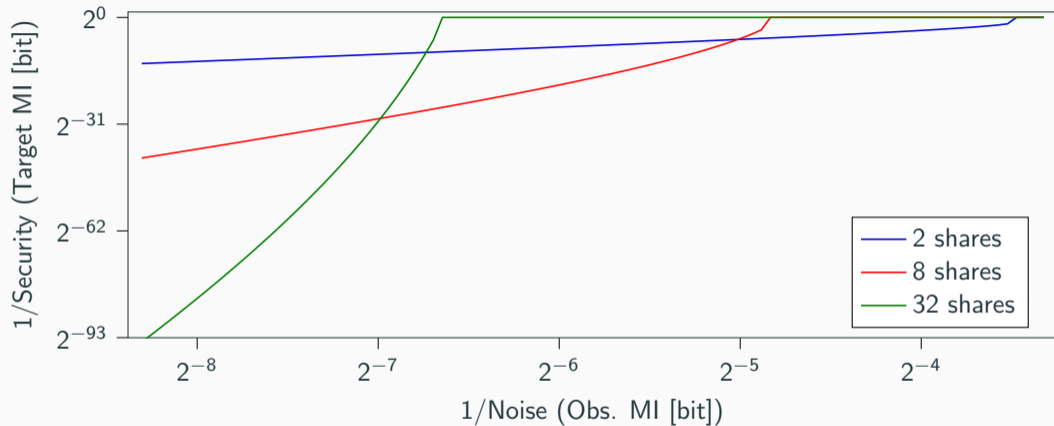
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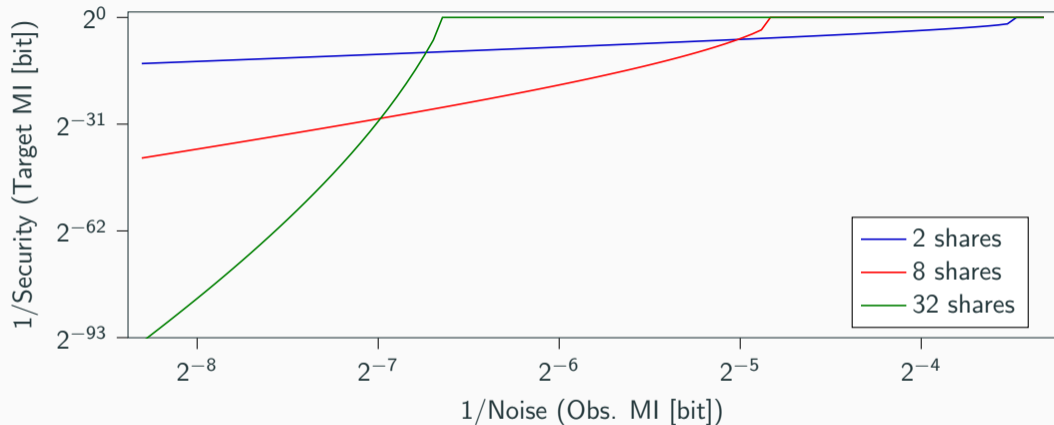
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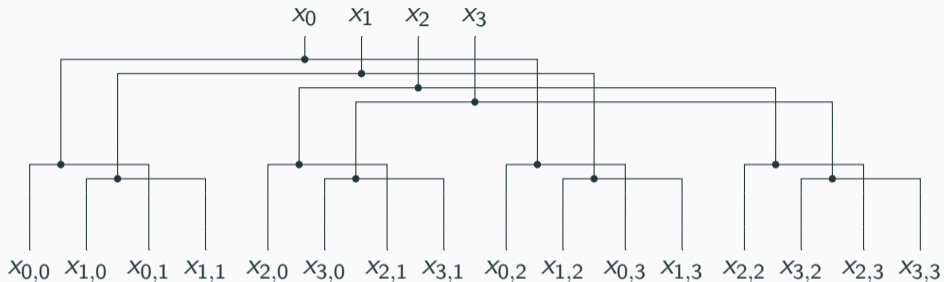


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- Required noise increases with #shares
- More shares may be worse.

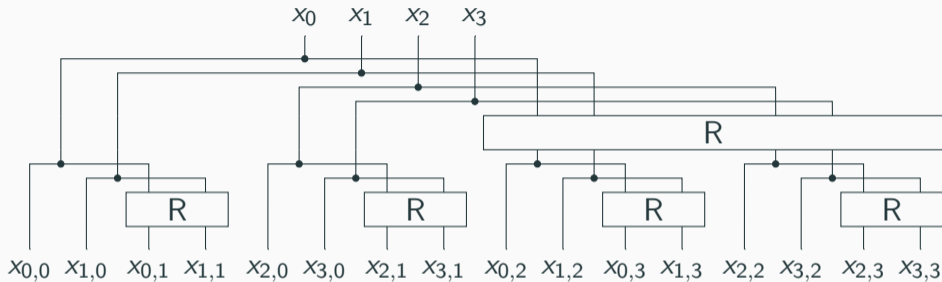
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[ISW03]

- Simplest strategy
- Maximal efficiency
- Each input share used  $d$  times

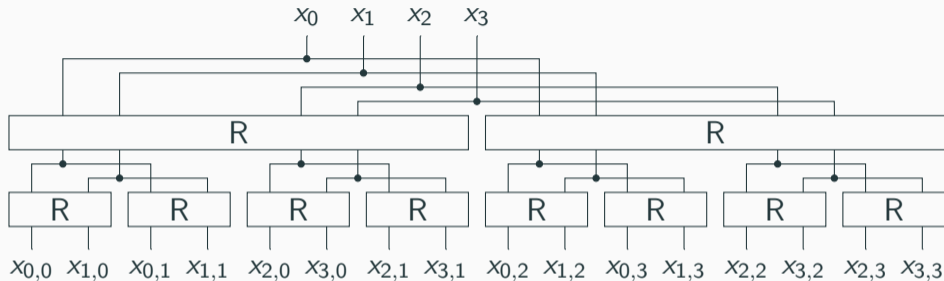
## Reducing shares re-use: MatGen (II)



[BCPZ116]

- Add refreshing before shares multiplication
- Each input share used  $\log d$  times

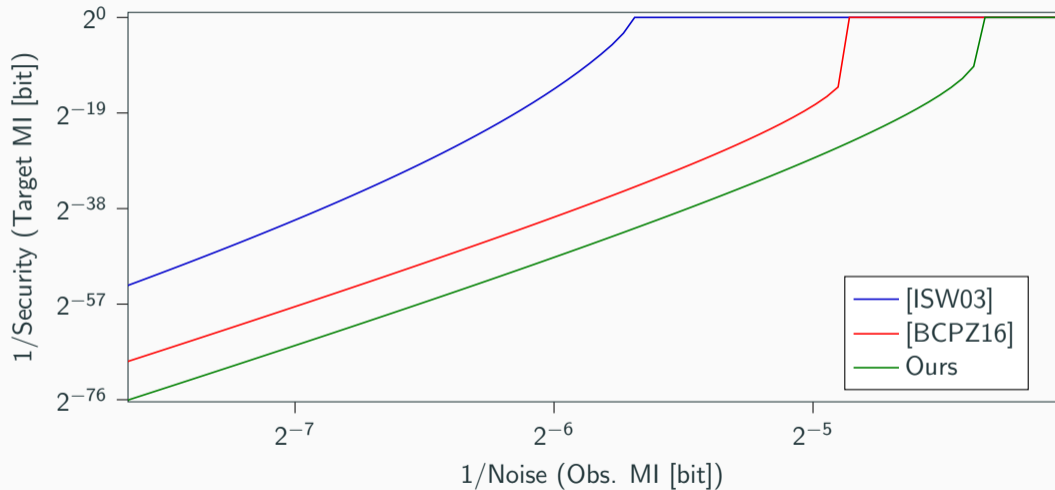
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This work: many cheap refreshings

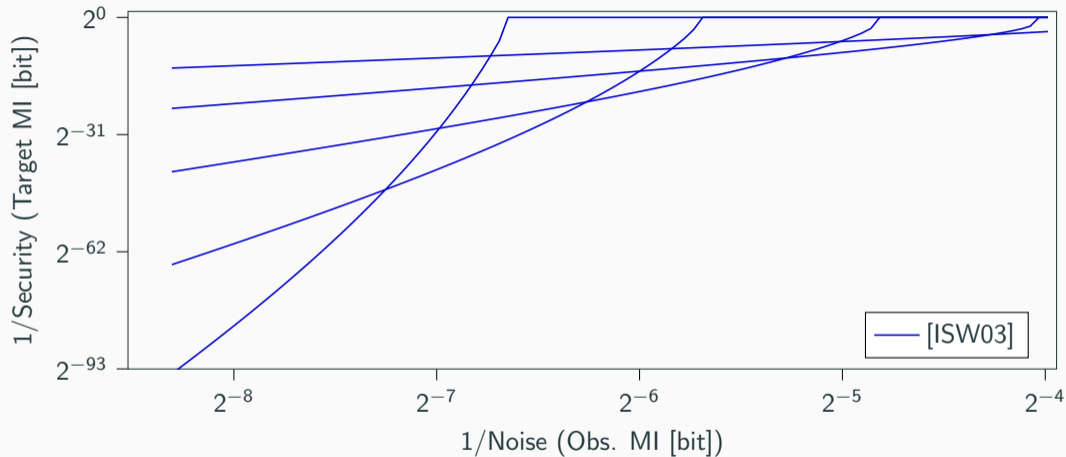
- 2 refresh gadgets per layer
- Each input share used 3 times

# AND implementations: Gadget comparison



$d = 16$

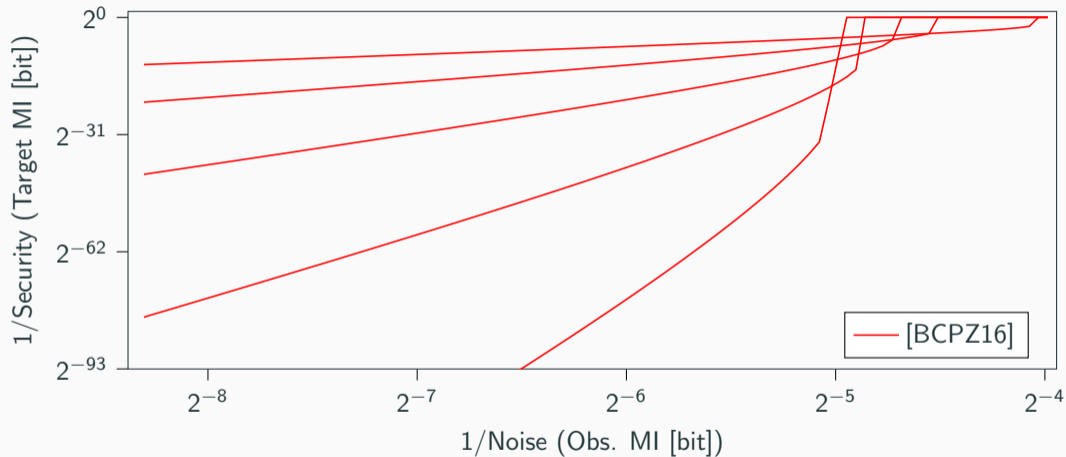
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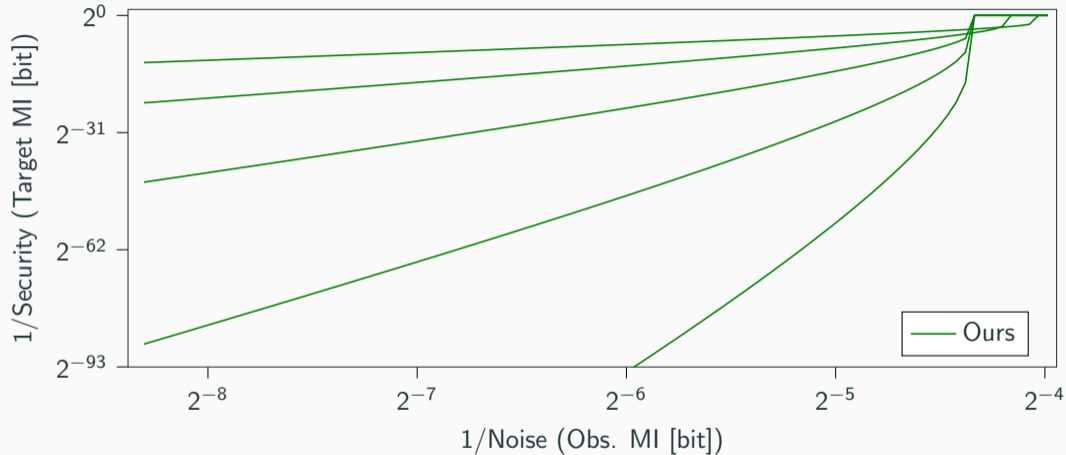


# AND implementations: [BCPZ16]



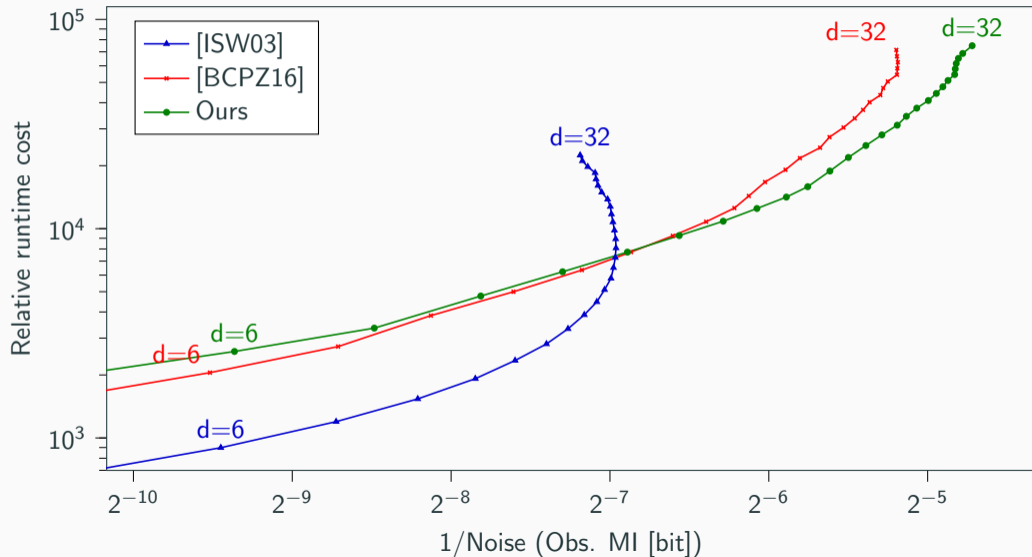
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# AND implementations: Ours

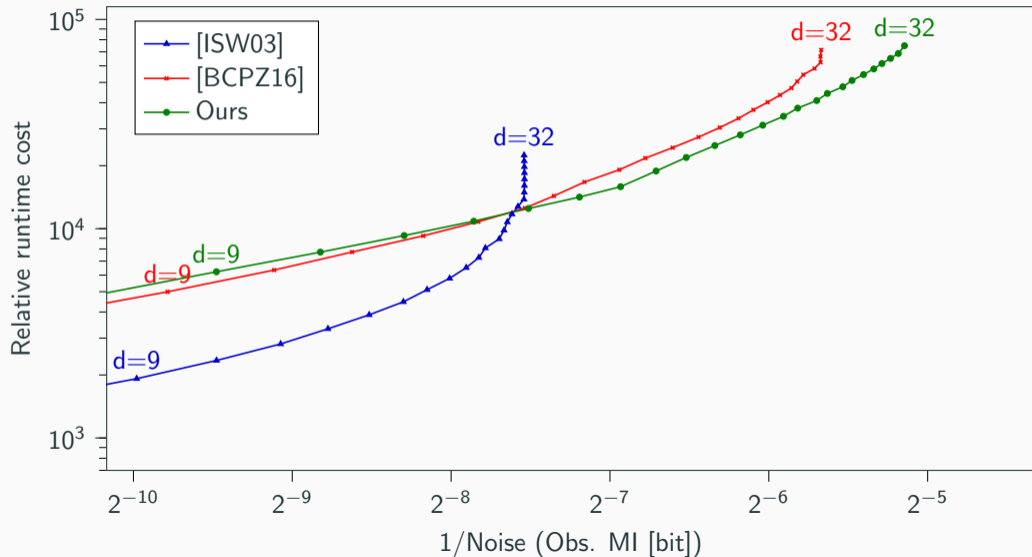


- $d = 2, \dots, 32$
- Noise rate: 1

# Cost: 40 bit security



# Cost: 60 bit security



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