

# Faster Private Decision Tree Evaluation for Batched Input from Homomorphic Encryption

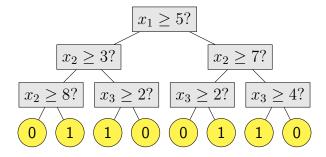
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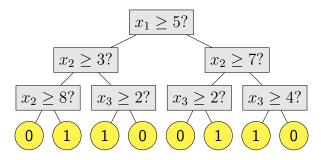
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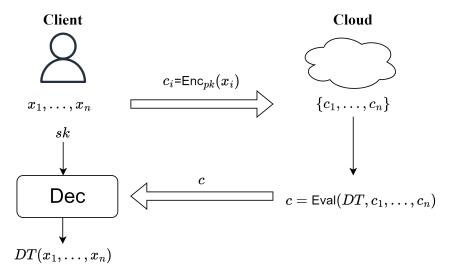


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- ▶ Simple machine learning algorithm with broad applications
  - credit scoring, biometric authentication,...
  - sensitive data requires enhanced-privacy



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- ► Example application: a bank outsources a credit-scoring decision tree and needs evaluations for various applicants without revealing their profiles

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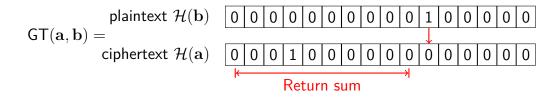
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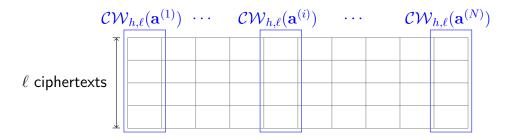
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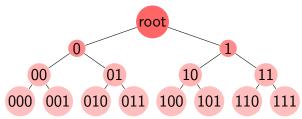
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A binary interval tree containing [0,7]. For example, the point encoding of the number 5 is  $PE(5) = \{1,10,101\}$  and the range cover of [1,7] is  $RC(1,7) = \{1,01,001\}$ .

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- lacktriangle When comparing N encrypted  ${f a}$  and  ${f 1}$  plaintext  ${f b}$ 
  - We encode the point encoding  $PE(\mathbf{a}^{(i)})$  in SIMD slots using  $\mathcal{CW}_{h^i,\ell^i}(\cdot)$
  - This improves the amortized storage and computation costs

#### **Performance**

		Amortized Computational Time	Amortized Client-to-server Communication Cost	Multiplicative Depth	
Folklore bit-wise [MNLK23]	Τ	1982 $\mu s$	3 <i>kb</i>	4	
RCC [MNLK23]	h=2	8340 µs	1342 kb	1	
	h=4	1526 $\mu s$	136 kb	2	
	h = 8	1308 $\mu s$	70 kb	3	
Our CW piece-wise	h=2	18 μs ( <b>72</b> ×)	52 <i>kb</i>	2	
	h=4	39 μs ( <b>33</b> ×)	5 kb	4	
Our batched RCC	$h_s = 2$	41 μs ( <b>32</b> ×)	180 kb	1	
	$h_s = 4$	82 μs ( <b>16</b> ×)	38 kb	2	

**Table:** Performance of different batched ciphertext-plaintext comparators for 16-bit numbers in BFV with  $N=2^{14}$  and t=65537.

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- lacktriangle Tree traversal outputs an encrypted indicator array  $\mathsf{Enc}(\mathbf{r})$ 
  - In SumPath [MNLK23], the array  ${f r}$  contains only one zero value corresponding to the output leaf

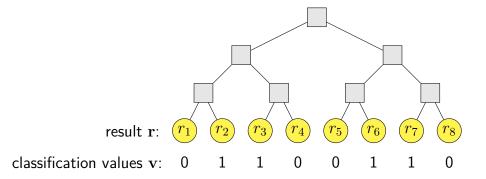
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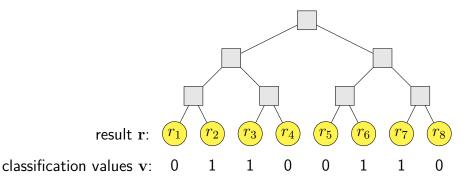
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  - ullet  $\mathcal{O}(2^d)$  server-to-client communication
  - Limited extension to tree ensembles such as random forests

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- ▶ Obtain an encrypted unit vector **r**, whose inner product with the plaintext classifications gives the encrypted classification value
- lacktriangle This requires an additional multiplicative depth  $\log d$

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	SortingHat			Level Up $(h=4)$			$\mathbf{BPDTE\_CW}\;(h=2)$		
	Comparison	Traversal	Query Size	Comparison	Traversal	Query Site	Comparison	Traversal	Query Site
Breast	7 ms	178 ms	960 kb	139 μs	117 μs	310 kb	9 μs	139 $\mu s$	90 kb
2.000	Total: 185 ms			Total: 256 $\mu s$			Total: 148 $\mu s$ (1.7 $ imes$ )		
Heart	3 ms	47 ms	416 kb	156 $\mu s$	25 μs	135 kb	3 μs	18 μs	117 kb
Ticare	Total: 50 ms		1.20 100	Total: 181 $\mu s$			Total: 21 μs (8.6×)		700
Steel	3 ms	59 ms	1056 kb	125 $\mu s$	34 μs	341 kb	4 μs	12 μs	297 kb
<b>Steel</b>	Total: 62 ms			Total: 1			Total: 16 $\mu s$ (9.9×)		

**Table:** Amortized performance with batch size 16384 and input feature bitlength s=11. The lattice dimension is  $2^{11}$ ,  $2^{13}$  and  $2^{14}$ , respectively.

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Breast	583 $\mu s$	159 μs	968 kb	75 $\mu s$	139 $\mu s$	1140 kb	17 μs	138 μs	1560 kb
2.000	Total: 742 μs			Total: 214 $\mu s$ (3.4 $ imes$ )			Total: 155 $\mu s$ (4.7 $ imes$ )		
Heart	309 $\mu s$	34 μs	420 kb	20 μs	18 μs	494 kb	4 μs	18 μs	676 kb
licuit	Total: 343 $\mu s$		120 700	Total: 38 $\mu s$ (9.0×)		.5 . 100	Total: 22 $\mu s$ (15.5 $\times$ )		
Steel	262 $\mu s$	46 μs	1065 kb	25 $\mu s$	12 μs	1254 kb	6 $\mu s$	12 $\mu s$	1716 kb
J.C.C.	Total: 3			Total: 37 $\mu s$ (8.3×)		120 . 700	Total: 18 $\mu s$ (17.1 $\times$ )		1,10 %

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- The adapted SumPath tree traversal method
  - $\mathcal{O}(1)$  server-to-client communication
- Batched PDTE protocols from combining these building blocks
  - up to  $17 \times$  faster than [MNLK23] in batch size 16384

## Thank you for your attention!

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