

# Private Sampling with Malicious Samplers

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- ▶ decrease customers of other stores
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## In our ML setting

- ▶ Input remains private, but consistent
- ▶ If a party **lies**, **it has to lie repeatedly**
- ▶ This also **holds in non-private ML**: not possible to ensure truth on the input

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## Our contribution

**We focus on sampling:** prove that a **private value  $x$  is sampled** from a **distribution  $\mathcal{D}$** .

- But we also contribute in **transcendental computations**.



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## Example 2 Differentially Private Federated Learning

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**for**  $t = 1$  **to**  $T$  **do**

**At each party**  $P_i$ : **sample**  $\eta \sim \mathcal{D}$ , **compute**  $\Theta_u^t \leftarrow$   
 $\text{LOCALUPDATE}(\Theta^{t-1}, \Theta_u^{t-1}) + \eta$

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**end for**

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*This is not FHE*: We are just proving relations, **not computing over encryptions**



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# Preliminary results

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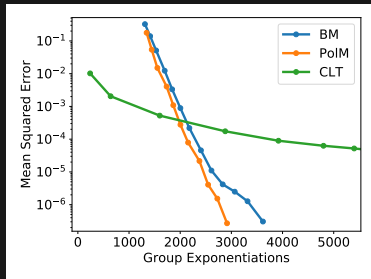
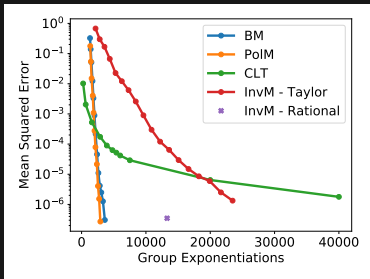
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## Simulated Gaussian sampling proofs

- ▶ Central Limit Theorem Approach (CLT)
- ▶ Box Muller (BM) and Polar Method (PoIM)
- ▶ Inversion Method (InvM) with Taylor and rational approximations

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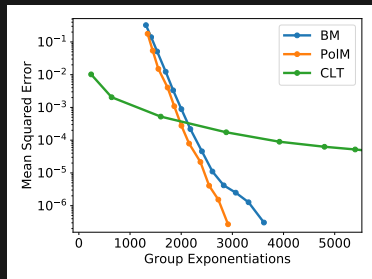
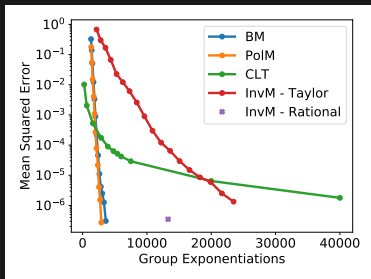
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- ▶  $\sim 0.17$  seconds in an Intel Core i7<sup>2</sup> (but **largely optimizable**)

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## Future Work

- ▶ Optimize **numerical algorithms** for cryptographic primitives
- ▶ **Try other ZKP frameworks**: compare prover work - verifier work - communication **trade offs**
- ▶ Plug our methods to **Multiparty Computation frameworks** (e.g. ABY3 [Mohassel and Rindal, 2018])

Thank you!

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