



## A Literature Survey on Order Preserving Encryption

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### ABSTRACT

The growing industry of cloud gives a service paradigm of storage/computation outsourcing. It helps to reduce users' burden of IT infrastructure maintenance and also reduce the cost for both the enterprises and individual users. It would be necessary to encrypt critical data before hosting to third-party, but in the meantime, the database should be capable to process queries on encrypted data. Many research works have been done to support processing of search query on encrypted data that also include the order preserving encryption (OPE) schemes. Order-preserving encryption (OPE) permits encrypting data without losing information of the order relation among the encrypted data items. So, the execution of compare, order and grouping query operations can be processed like on plaintext data. It allows databases to do range queries over encrypted data. This is a useful feature especially for cloud databases which mostly run in untrusted environments. Several OPE schemes has been proposed in the last few years, but that are unable to use in real world scenarios. In this paper, the literature survey of OPE is given.

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### INTRODUCTION

Order-preserving symmetric encryption (OPE) is a deterministic encryption scheme whose encryption function preserves numerical ordering of the plaintexts. This means that comparing encrypted data returns the same result than comparing the original data. This permits to order encrypted data without the need of decryption. This cryptosystem is useful in databases, in which record fields are encrypted because it permits to range queries. It is difficult to determine that how good a particular order preserving encryption scheme is. In fact, characteristics of order preserving cryptosystems make traditional security analysis useless.

Order-preserving encryption scheme (OPES) permits comparison operations to be directly applied on encrypted data, without decrypting the operands. Thus, equality and range queries as well as the MAX, MIN, and COUNT queries can be directly processed over encrypted data. Similarly, GROUP BY and ORDER BY operations can also be applied. Only when applying SUM or AVG to a group do the values need to be decrypted.

OPES is also endowed with the following properties [14]:

- 1.1. The results of query processing over data encrypted using OPES are exact. They neither contain any false positives nor miss any answer tuple.



- 1.2. OPES handles updates gracefully. A value in a column can be modified or a new value can be inserted in a column without requiring changes in the encryption of other values.
- 1.3. OPES can easily be integrated with existing database systems as it has been designed to work with the existing indexing structures such as Btrees. The fact that the database is encrypted can be made transparent to the applications.

## II. LITERATURE SURVEY

In 2004, R. Agrawal et al. [1] propose the encryption of data that belonging to a integers subset  $[p_{min}, p_{max}]$ , although they suggested that the possibility of treating floatingpoint values as if they were integers, since positives maintain the same order, and for the negatives, that have the order reversed, only need to subtract the resulting integer from the largest negative. In their proposed method, data transforms for follow certain statistical distribution into ciphertexts. It maintains order and follows a different distribution, chosen by the user. To generate the encryption function, they convert all the data to encrypt, the list of distribution samples has to be emulated. The auxiliary information is necessary for the encryption and decryption of data. It will be generated from all these samples. To model the distributions, data need to be partitioned in buckets. Linear interpolation will be used in it. During encrypting, data is first convert in a uniform distribution and then transformed into the target distribution. One of the drawbacks of their propose cryptosystem is key generation. While it is relatively small and its generation is linear to size of the database. After a key generation, if a large amount of data is added to the database, it will be necessary to choose a new key and re-encrypt the database.

Boldyreva et al. [2] The cryptography community provided first formal security guarantee of order-preserving encryption. Boldyreva et al. introduce notion in distinguish ability under ordered chosen plaintext attack. They also prove that no other stateless scheme can achieve this notion. It settle for an encryption scheme with less security of a random order-preserving function. This scheme requires only to store a key on the client. Then they state that a random order-preserving function can achieve the security property of window one-wayness [3]. Furthermore, they provide a scheme that achieves IND-OCPA security, but only requires all plaintexts in advance. If all plaintexts are known in advances, their order can be determine.

Teranishi et al. [4] devise a new OPE scheme that is satisfy its own security model. Even if, their algorithm is less efficient, but it is linear in the size of the message space. Like Boldyreva et al., a plaintext always encrypt to the same ciphertext value. Even they are stateless, they cannot achieve IND-OCPA security.

Khadem et al. [5] propose a scheme that encrypt equal plaintext values to differing values. This scheme is like to Boldyreva et al. in which a plaintext are mapped to a pseudorandom value in a subrange. This scheme on the basis of domain being a set of consecutive integers for decryption. This scheme permits for non-consecutive integers. This scheme supports updates without worrying about overlapping "buckets" as Khadem et al.

Liu et al. [6] addresses frequency of plaintext values by mapping the plaintext value to a value in an extended message space and splitting the message and ciphertext spaces nonlinearly.

In 2009, Lee et al. [7] proposes the Chaotic Order Preserving Encryption (COPE) scheme. COPE [7] hides the order of the encrypted values by changing the order of buckets in the plaintext domain. It is secure against known plaintext attack. However, COPE can be used just on trusted server where the encryption keys are used



to perform many queries such as join and range queries. The overhead of range queries over encrypted database is much higher than the overhead of range queries over plaintext database. In addition, it uses many keys to change the order of buckets and in some cases that may lead to have duplicated values. Another drawback in COPE is the encryption and decryption cost. That is because of the computation complexity to randomize the buckets and assign the correct order within each bucket.

Dyer et al.[8] present a new, but simple, randomised *order-preserving encryption* (OPE) scheme relies on the *general approximate common divisor problem* (GACDP). This is the first OPE scheme to be based on a computational hardness primitive, rather than a security game. This scheme needs only  $O(1)$  arithmetic operations for encryption and decryption. This scheme has optimal information leakage under the consideration of uniformly distributed plaintexts, and this property extends to some nonuniform distributions.

Eirini Molla et al.[9] introduces the SOPE (Spatially-based Order-Preserving Encryption) model for  $d$ -dimensional data. This model is inspired and extends the well-known OPE model in  $d$ -dimensional databases. It supports the safe storage and efficient retrieval of  $d$ -dimensional data to a remote untrusted server by without discovering the data except the spatial order of the data objects. They propose algorithms for constructing the model and for efficiently processing a popular query for  $d$ -dimensional data, like the range query, point query, the  $k$ -nearest neighbour query, the reverse  $k$ -nearest neighbor query, the skyline query etc.

In 2013, Popa et al.[10] propose a stronger notion of same-time OPE security which allows an adversary to study the order of elements which is present in an encrypted database at a time. They present an extension of mOPE, called stOPE, that achieves stronger definition. They present versions of mOPE and stOPE that protect against a malicious server by using Merkle hashing.

Yanguo peng et al.[11] improved OPE in their work, named hOPE. It is proposed to support homomorphic operations over ciphertexts in addition to comparisons. Based on hOPE, AhOPE and PhOPE are designed to support homomorphic addition and product, respectively. hOPE is a general construction which supports arbitrary HE algorithms and achieves consistent security.

Kerschbaum and Schröpper [12] provide the first efficient IND-OCPA secure order-preserving encryption scheme. [12] presents a keyless IND-OCPA OPE scheme for outsourced data. They discard the need for a separate server and store information linear in the number of distinct plaintexts. They are able to reduce the probability of mutation to be negligible. they reduce the number of rounds in the protocol between client and server. Their scheme has constant encryption cost in the average case.

Xiao et al.[13] make weakens the security notion of IND-OCPA to INDOLCPA and require the adversary that can learn ciphertexts only for 'nearby' values. They explain the concept of OPE to generalized OPE (GOPE). The ciphertexts of GOPE may not be numbers. By using special comparison algorithms, GOPE able compare the encrypted data without decrypt them.

### III. CONCLUSION

Order-preserving encryption scheme (OPES) allows comparison operations to be directly applied on encrypted data, without decrypting the operands. OPE is very secure encryption scheme for the outsourced database and application. This paper presents the basic concept of the order preserving encryption and present the properties



of the order preserving encryption. This paper can be useful for those who are wishing to carry out research in the direction of the order preserving encryption.

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