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# Open Hiwi Position

## Implementing Efficient Secure Computation



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The *Engineering Cryptographic Protocols Group* (ENCRYPTO) is offering a Hiwi position. The number of working hours is flexible and ranges from 40 to 82 hours per month starting in October 2017. The initial contract will run for 3 months. However, a long-term cooperation is possible and desired.

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### Motivation & Goal

Secure computation allows mutually distrusting parties to jointly compute a function on their input data without revealing anything but the result. It can be employed on a variety of hardware platforms, ranging from mobile phones to high-end servers, and has a high number of applications, including the discovery of common contacts, genomic sequencing, or the secure processing of data in the cloud. Correspondingly, possible challenges for an applicant are wide-spread and include but are not limited to:

- Implementing new protocol designs in C/C++, as well as evaluating them and comparing them to prior art
- Running experiments for determining protocol parameters and failure probabilities on the Lichtenberg High Performance Computer (HHLR<sup>1</sup>)
- Maintaining and extending our ABY<sup>2</sup> framework for efficient mixed-protocol secure two-party computation

The results emerging from this work are essential contributions to research papers that will be published at international top conferences.

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### Requirements

- Good programming skills in C/C++
- At least basic knowledge of cryptography
- High motivation and creativity + ability to work independently
- Flexible working hours
- Experience with reading research papers is beneficial
- Knowledge of the English language goes without saying

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### Contact

If you are interested, please get in touch and send your complete application (including a letter of motivation, CV, and transcript of records) to:

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.hhlr.tu-darmstadt.de/hhlr/>

<sup>2</sup> <http://encrypto.de/code/ABY/>

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