

# A Machine-Checked Formalization of $\Sigma$ -Protocols

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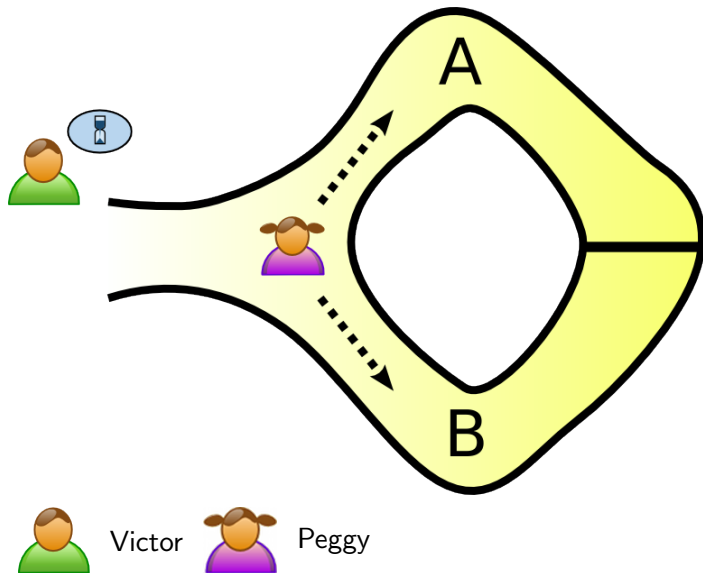
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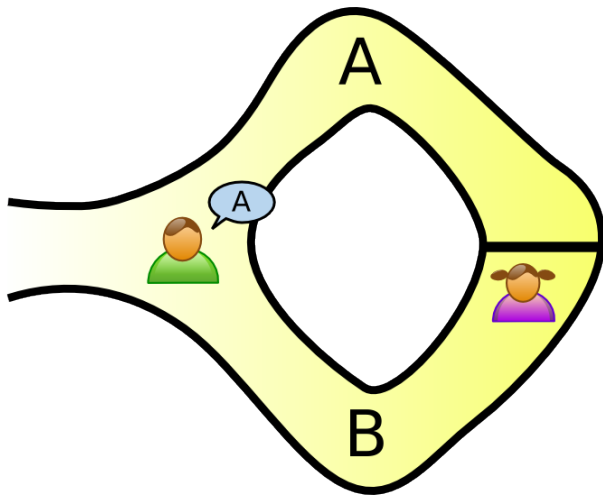
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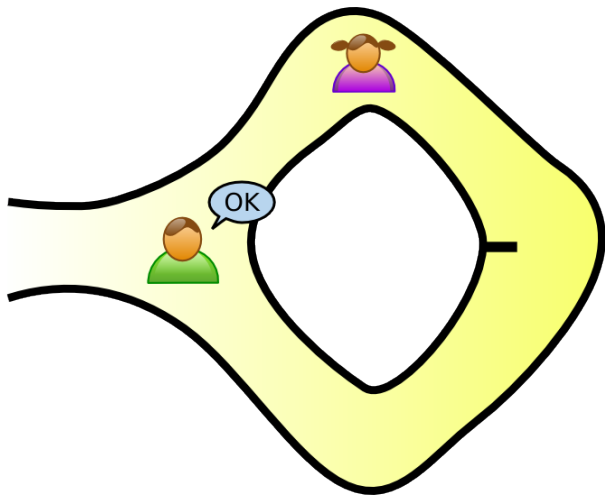


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# If you ever need to explain this to your kids

How to Explain Zero-Knowledge Protocols to your Children

Jean-Jacques Quisquater, Louis C. Guillou. CRYPTO'89

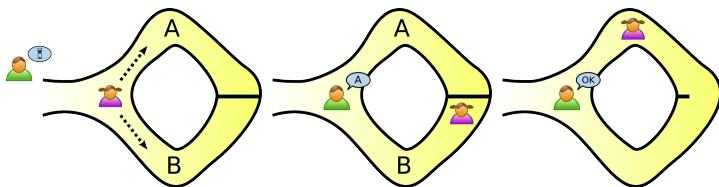
## *The Strange Cave of Ali Baba*

winding passages: one to the left and the other to the right (The Entry of the Cave).

Ali Baba did not see which passage the thief ran into. Ali Baba had to choose which way to go, and he decided to go to the left. The left-hand passage ended in a dead end. Ali Baba searched all the way from the fork to the dead end, but he did not find the thief. Ali Baba said to himself that the thief was perhaps in the other passage. So he searched the right-hand passage, which also came to a dead end. But again he did not find the thief. "This cave is pretty strange," said Ali Baba to himself. "Where has my thief gone?"



# Properties of Zero-Knowledge Proofs



- Completeness  
A honest prover always convinces a honest verifier
- Soundness  
A dishonest prover (almost) never convinces a verifier
- Zero-Knowledge  
A verifier doesn't learn anything from playing the protocol

# $\Sigma$ -Protocols

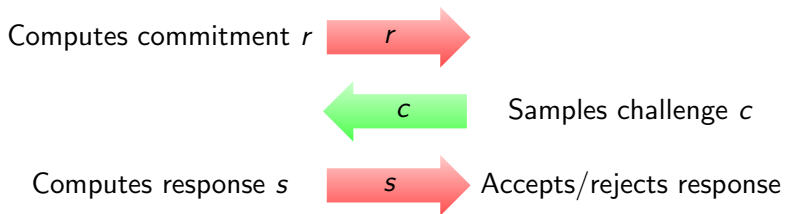
- Knowledge Relation  $R$
- Prover knows  $x, w$  s.t.  $R(x, w)$  / Verifier knows only  $x$



Prover



Verifier



# Schnorr Protocol

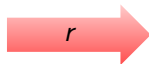
Primes  $p, q$  such that  $q|(p - 1)$ ,  $g$  generator of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$

$$R = \{(x, w) \mid x = g^w\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_q$$



Prover

$$k \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_q; r \leftarrow g^k$$



$$s \leftarrow k + cw$$



Verifier

$$c \xleftarrow{\$} [0..q - 1]$$

$$g^s \stackrel{?}{=} r x^c$$



# Okamoto Protocol

Primes  $p, q$  such that  $q|(p-1)$ ,  $g_{1,2}$  generators of  $\mathbb{Z}_q$

$$R = \{(x, (w_1, w_2)) \mid x = g_1^{w_1} g_2^{w_2}\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p \times (\mathbb{Z}_q \times \mathbb{Z}_q)$$

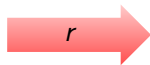


Prover



Verifier

$$k_{1,2} \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_q; r \leftarrow g_1^{k_1} g_2^{k_2}$$



$$c \xleftarrow{\$} [0..q-1]$$

$$s \leftarrow (k_1 + cw_1, k_2 + cw_2)$$



$$g_1^{s_1} g_2^{s_2} \stackrel{?}{=} (r_1 x^c, r_2 x^c)$$

# Fiat-Shamir Protocol

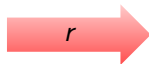
RSA modulus  $N = pq$

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$$s \leftarrow k \cdot w^c$$



Verifier

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$$s^2 \stackrel{?}{=} r x^c$$

# Guillou-Quisquater Protocol

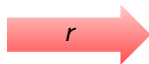
RSA modulus  $N = pq$ , public exponent  $e$

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Verifier

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# CertiCrypt: machine-checked crypto proofs

Certified framework for building and verifying crypto proofs in the Coq proof assistant

- Combination of programming language techniques and cryptographic-specific tools
- Game-based methodology, natural to cryptographers
- Several case studies:
  - Encryption schemes: ElGamal, Hashed ElGamal, OAEP, IBE
  - Signature schemes: FDH, BLS
  - In this talk: Zero-Knowledge proofs

# Inside CertiCrypt

- Semantics and cost model of probabilistic programs
- Standard tools to reason about probabilistic programs
  - Semantics-preserving program transformations
  - Observational equivalence
  - Relational Hoare Logic
  - Characterization of PPT programs

# pWhile: a Probabilistic Programming Language

$\mathcal{I}$	$::=$	$\mathcal{V} \leftarrow \mathcal{E}$	assignment
		$\mathcal{V} \overset{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{D}\mathcal{E}$	random sampling
		if $\mathcal{E}$ then $\mathcal{C}$ else $\mathcal{C}$	conditional
		while $\mathcal{E}$ do $\mathcal{C}$	while loop
		$\mathcal{V} \leftarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}, \dots, \mathcal{E})$	procedure call
$\mathcal{C}$	$::=$	skip	nop
		$\mathcal{I}; \mathcal{C}$	sequence

$x \overset{\$}{\leftarrow} d$ : sample  $x$  according to distribution  $d$

Typically the uniform distribution on a finite set (e.g.  $[0..n]$ )

## Deep Embedding

Syntax of programs formalized as an inductive type

Allows automation through reflection

# Semantics

## Measure Monad —courtesy of Christine Paulin

Distributions represented as functions of type

$$\mathcal{D}(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (A \rightarrow [0, 1]) \rightarrow [0, 1] \quad \text{s.t.}$$

- 1  $f \leq g \implies \mu(f) \leq \mu(g)$ ;
- 2  $\mu(\mathbb{1} - f) \leq 1 - \mu(f)$ ;
- 3  $f \leq \mathbb{1} - g \implies \mu(f + g) = \mu(f) + \mu(g)$ ;
- 4  $\mu(k \times f) = k \times \mu(f)$ ;
- 5  $\forall f : \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{m} (A \xrightarrow{m} [0, 1]). \mu(\text{sup } f) \leq \text{sup } (\lambda n. \mu(f(n)))$

All arithmetic is in the unit interval  $[0, 1]$

$\text{unit} : A \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(A)$

$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda x. \lambda f. f \ x$

$\text{bind} : \mathcal{D}(A) \rightarrow (A \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(B)) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(B)$

$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda \mu. \lambda F. \lambda f. \mu(\lambda x. F \ x \ f)$

# Semantics

Programs map an initial memory to a distribution on final memories

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To compute probabilities, just measure the characteristic function of the event:

$$\Pr[c, m : A] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \llbracket c \rrbracket m \mathbb{1}_A$$

Let  $c = x \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}; y \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}$

$$\llbracket c \rrbracket m f = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} f(m\{0, 0/x, y\}) + f(m\{0, 1/x, y\}) + \\ f(m\{1, 0/x, y\}) + f(m\{1, 1/x, y\}) \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Example

$$\models x \xrightarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^k; y \leftarrow x \oplus z \simeq_{\{x,y,z\}}^{\{z\}} y \xrightarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^k; x \leftarrow y \oplus z$$

- Useful to relate probabilities

$$\frac{fv(E) \subseteq O \quad \models c_1 \simeq_O^I c_2 \quad m_1 =_I m_2}{\Pr[c_1, m_1 : A] = \Pr[c_2, m_2 : A]}$$

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# Proving program equivalence

Goal

$$\models c_1 \simeq'_O c_2$$

A Relational Hoare Logic generalized to arbitrary relations

$$\frac{\models c_1 \sim c_2 : \Phi \Rightarrow \Phi' \quad \models c'_1 \sim c'_2 : \Phi' \Rightarrow \Phi''}{\models c_1; c'_1 \sim c_2; c'_2 : \Phi \Rightarrow \Phi''} [\text{Seq}]$$

$$\frac{\models c_1 \sim c_2 : \Psi \Rightarrow \Phi \quad \models c_2 \sim c_3 : \Psi' \Rightarrow \Phi'}{\models c_1 \sim c_3 : \Psi \circ \Psi' \Rightarrow \Phi \circ \Phi'} [\text{Comp}]$$

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$$\vDash c_1 \simeq_O^I c_2$$

Mechanized program transformations

- Transformation:  $T(c_1, c_2, I, O) = (c'_1, c'_2, I', O')$
- Soundness theorem

$$\frac{T(c_1, c_2, I, O) = (c'_1, c'_2, I', O') \quad \vDash c'_1 \simeq_{O'}^{I'} c'_2}{\vDash c_1 \simeq_O^I c_2}$$

- Reflection-based Coq tactic  
(replace reasoning by computation)

# Proving program equivalence

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Mechanized program transformations

- Dead code elimination (`deadcode`)
- Constant folding and propagation (`ep`)
- Procedure call inlining (`inline`)
- Code movement (`swap`)
- Common suffix/prefix elimination (`eqobs_hd`, `eqobs_tl`)

# Proving program equivalence

Goal

$$\models c \simeq_O^I c$$

An –incomplete– tactic for self-equivalence  
(eqobs\_in)

- Does  $\models c \simeq_O^I c$  hold?
- Analyze dependencies to compute  $I'$  s.t.  $\models c \simeq_O^{I'} c$
- Check that  $I' \subseteq I$
- Think about type systems for information flow security

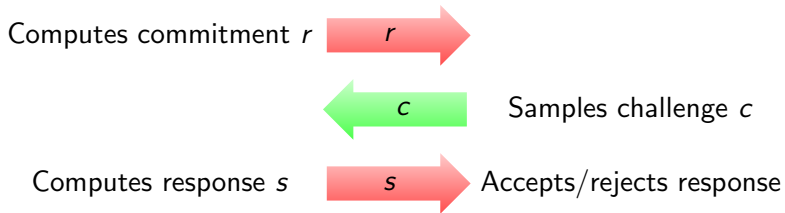
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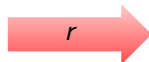


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$$(r, state) \leftarrow P_1(x, w)$$



$$s \leftarrow P_2(x, w, state, c)$$



Verifier

$$c \leftarrow V_1(x, r)$$

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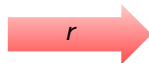
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# Formalizing $\Sigma$ -Protocols

A  $\Sigma$ -protocol is given by:

- Types for  $x, w, r, s, state$
- A knowledge relation  $R$
- A challenge set  $C$
- Procedures  $P_1, P_2, V_2$

The protocol can be seen as a program

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protocol( $x, w$ ) :  
  ( $r, state$ )  $\leftarrow$   $P_1(x, w)$ ;  
   $c \xleftarrow{\$}$   $C$ ;  
   $s \leftarrow P_2(x, w, state, c)$ ;  
   $b \leftarrow V_2(x, r, c, s)$ 
```

# Formalizing $\Sigma$ -Protocols

## Completeness

$$\forall x, w. R(x, w) \implies \Pr[\text{protocol}(x, w) : b = \text{true}] = 1$$

## Soundness

$\exists \text{KE}. \forall x, r, c_1, c_2, s_1, s_2.$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \in \text{dom}(R) \\ c_1 \neq c_2 \\ (x, r, c_1, s_1) \text{ accepting} \\ (x, r, c_2, s_2) \text{ accepting} \end{array} \right\} \implies \Pr[w \leftarrow \text{KE}(x, r, c_1, c_2, s_1, s_2) : R(x, w)] = 1$$

# Honest-Verifier ZK vs. Special Honest-Verifier ZK

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## Theorem

Every  $\Sigma$ -protocol satisfying *special* HVZK is HVZK.

*Proof.*

This simulator perfectly simulates  $\text{protocol}(x, w)$ :

$$S'(x) : c \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^\ell; (r, s) \leftarrow S(x, c); \text{ return } (r, c, s)$$

## Theorem

Given a  $\Sigma$ -protocol satisfying just HVZK can be converted into a protocol satisfying *special* HVZK.

*Proof.*

$$P'_1(x, w) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (r, \text{state}) \leftarrow P_1(x, w); c' \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}^k; \text{ return } ((r, c'), (\text{state}, c'))$$

$$P'_2(x, w, (\text{state}, c'), c) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} s \leftarrow P_2(x, w, \text{state}, c \oplus c'); \text{ return } s$$

$$V'_2(x, (r, c'), c, s) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} b \leftarrow V_2(x, r, c \oplus c', s); \text{ return } b$$

# $\Sigma^\phi$ -Protocols

Let  $\phi$  be a homomorphism from an additive group  $(\mathcal{G}, \oplus)$  to a multiplicative group  $(\mathcal{H}, \otimes)$

$$\phi(a \oplus b) = \phi(a) \otimes \phi(b)$$

Homomorphism  $\phi$  is special if there exists

- 1 a constant  $v \in \mathbb{Z}$
- 2 a PPT-computable function  $u : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$

such that  $\forall x \in \phi[\mathcal{G}]$

$$\phi(u(x)) = x^v$$



# $\Sigma^\phi$ -Protocols

- A special homomorphism  $\phi$
- $c^+ \in \mathbb{N}$  smaller than any prime divisor of special exponent  $v$

This protocol is a ZK proof of knowledge of preimages of  $\phi$ :

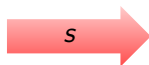
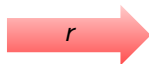
$$R = \{(x, w) \mid x = \phi(w)\}$$



Prover

$$y \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{G}; r \leftarrow \phi(y)$$

$$s \leftarrow y \oplus cw$$



Verifier

$$c \xleftarrow{\$} [0..c^+]$$

$$\phi(s) \stackrel{?}{=} r \otimes x^c$$

# $\Sigma^\phi$ -Protocols (Special HVZK)

The following simulator perfectly simulates the protocol:

```
S(x, c) :  
  s  $\xleftarrow{\$}$   $\mathcal{G}$ ;  
  r  $\leftarrow \phi(s) \oplus x^{-c}$ ;  
  return (r, c, s)
```

$$\models \text{protocol}(x, w, c) \simeq_{\substack{\{x,c\} \wedge R(x,w) \\ \{r,c,s\}}} S(x, c)$$

# $\Sigma^\phi$ -Protocols (Special HVZK)

*protocol*( $x, w, c$ ) :

$(r, state) \leftarrow P_1(x, w);$

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$b \leftarrow V_2(x, r, c, s)$

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*simulation*( $x, c$ ) :

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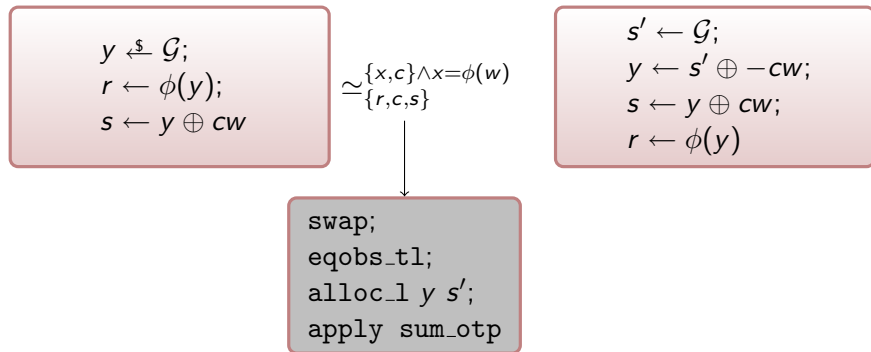
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$\simeq_{\substack{\{x,c\} \wedge x=\phi(w) \\ \{r,c,s\}}}$

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inline_1 P1;  
inline_1 P2;  
ep; deadcode
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y ←s G;  
r ← φ(y);  
s ← y ⊕ cw
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# $\Sigma^\phi$ -Protocols (Special HVZK)



Lemma sum\_otp :  $\models x \stackrel{s}{\leftarrow} G; y \leftarrow x \oplus z \sim x \stackrel{s}{\leftarrow} G; y \leftarrow x : \Psi \Rightarrow =_{\{y\}}$

# $\Sigma^\phi$ -Protocols (Special HVZK)

$s' \leftarrow \mathcal{G};$   
 $y \leftarrow s' \oplus -cw;$   
 $s \leftarrow y \oplus cw;$   
 $r \leftarrow \phi(y)$

$\simeq_{\{x,c\} \wedge x=\phi(w)}$   
 $\{r,c,s\}$



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`alloc_r s s'`

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$$s \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{G};$$
$$r \leftarrow \phi(s) \oplus x^{-c}$$

$$\text{ep\_eq\_r} \times \phi(w);$$
$$\text{eqobs\_in}$$



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r ← φ(s) ⊕ x-c
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$\simeq_{\substack{\{x,c\} \wedge x=\phi(w) \\ \{r,c,s\}}}$

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simulation(x, c) :  
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# Formalized $\Sigma^\phi$ -Protocols

Protocol	$\mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$	$\phi(x)$	$u(x)$	$v$
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Okamoto	$(\mathbb{Z}_q^+, \mathbb{Z}_q^+) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*$	$g_1^{x_1} \otimes g_2^{x_2}$	$(0, 0)$	$q$
Diffie-Hellman	$\mathbb{Z}_q^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^* \times \mathbb{Z}_p^*$	$(g^x, g^{bx})$	0	$q$
Fiat-Shamir	$\mathbb{Z}_N^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_N^*$	$x^2$	$x$	2
Guillou-Quisquater	$\mathbb{Z}_N^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_N^*$	$x^e$	$x$	$e$
Feige-Fiat-Shamir	$\{-1, 1\} \times \mathbb{Z}_N^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_N^*$	$s \cdot x^2$	$ x $	2

All these protocols are proved sound, complete and sHVZK in Coq

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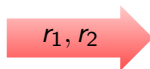
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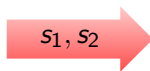


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- Using the same challenge for both proofs is the key
- Only possible if protocols are Special HVZK



# OR-Combination

Suppose  $w$  is a witness for  $x_1$ , i.e.  $R_1(x, w)$

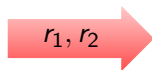


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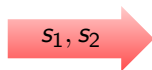
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$$c \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}^\ell$$

$$\begin{aligned}c_1 &\leftarrow c_2 \oplus c \\s_1 &\leftarrow P_2^1(x_1, w, c_1)\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}c &= c_1 \oplus c_2 \wedge \\&V_2^1(x_1, r_1, c, s_1) \wedge \\&V_2^2(x_2, r_2, c, s_2)\end{aligned}$$

Need to know that  $x_2 \in \text{dom}(R_2)$

# Summary

Theory of  $\Sigma$ -protocols formalized in Coq

- ZK proofs of preimages of homomorphisms
- Boolean (monotonic) combination of ZK proofs
- Clarification of a recurrent mistake in *OR*-proofs
- Short proofs of several practically relevant  $\Sigma$ -protocols

# The Road Ahead

## Related work

- Maurer @ AFRICACRYPT'09:  
Unifying ZK Proofs of Knowledge
- Backes, Grochulla, Hritcu, Maffei @ CSF'09:  
Achieving Security Despite Compromise Using ZK
- Almeida et al. @ ESORICS'10:  
A Certifying Compiler for ZK PoK Based on  $\Sigma$ -Protocols

## Beyond perfect ZK

- Statistical ZK
- Computational ZK

## EasyCrypt

Increasing abstraction and automation will make verifiable security a reasonable and profitable alternative for cryptographers  
(talk at FCC on Tuesday)