

The Power of NAPS

Compressing OR-proofs via Collision-Resistant Hashing

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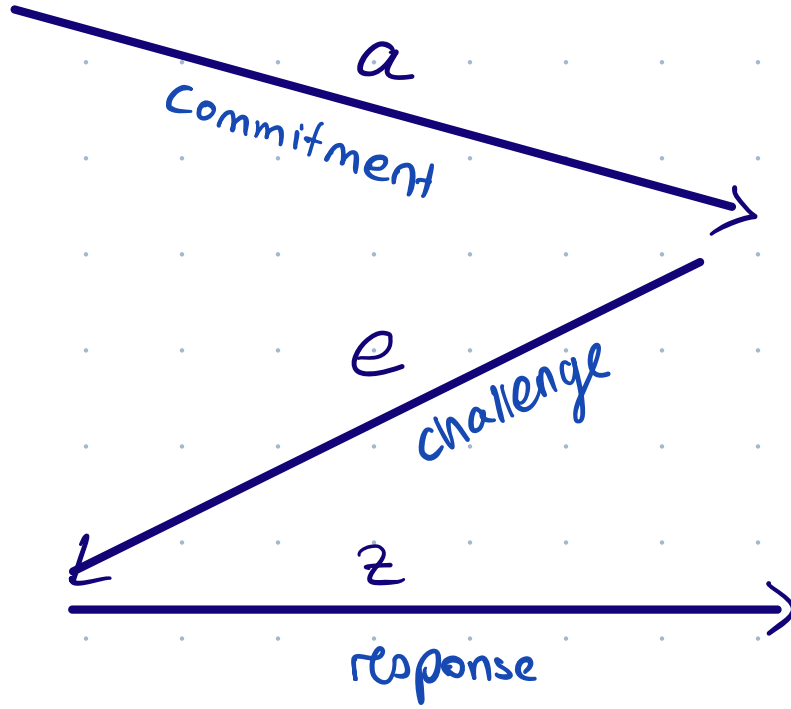
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$x \in L!$

sure?

$\mathcal{P}(x, w)$ witness

$V(x)$ statement



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yes/no

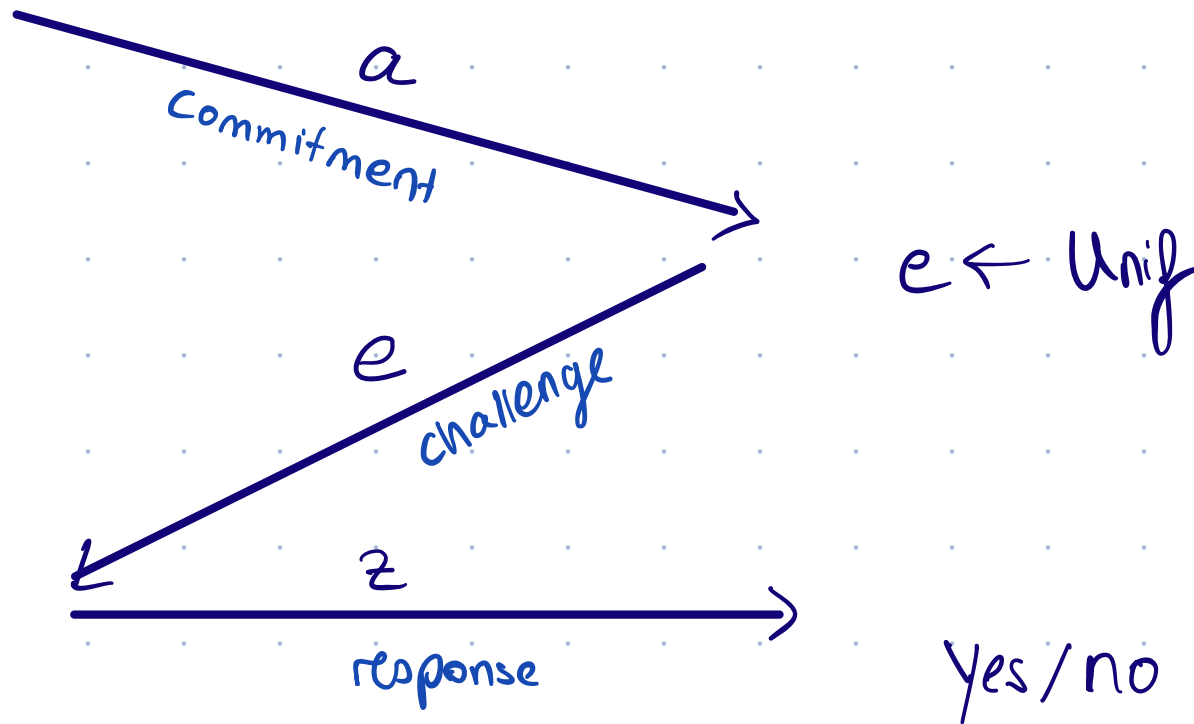
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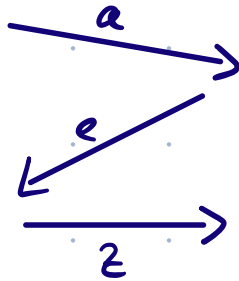
Completeness \sim honest execution succeeds

Soundness \sim \mathcal{P} must know witness w to succeed

Honest-Verifier Zero-Knowledge (HVZK) \sim \mathcal{V} doesn't learn w

Honest-Verifier Zero-Knowledge

Real



Simulated

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$(a, z) \leftarrow \text{Simulator}(e)$

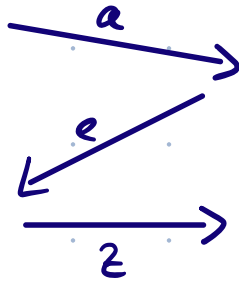
(a, e, z)

\approx

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STRONG Honest-Verifier Zero-Knowledge

Real



Simulated

$e \leftarrow \text{Unif}$
 $z \sim \text{Unif}$
 $a := \text{Simulator}(e, z)$
(deterministic)

(a, e, z)

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[Goel-Green-Hall-Andersen - Kaptchuk '22]

Σ -Protocol with HVZK $\Rightarrow \Sigma$ -Protocol' with Strong HVZK

Σ -Protocol for Graph Isomorphism Problem

[Goldreich-Micali-Wigderson '86]

$\mathcal{P}(x, w)$

$\mathcal{L}(x)$

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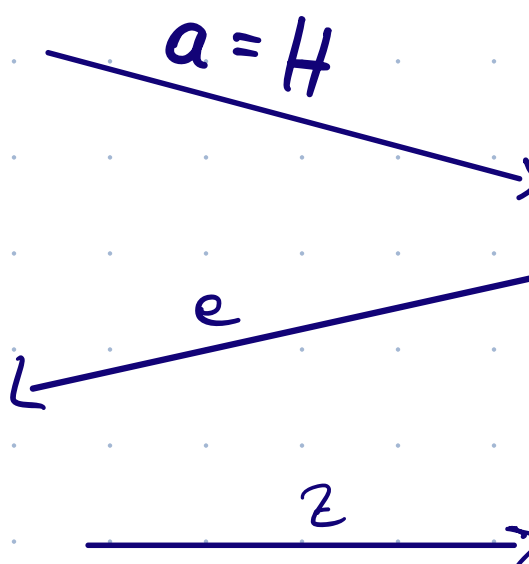
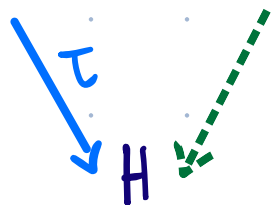
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Strong simulation: for e and z given, set $a := z(G_e)$

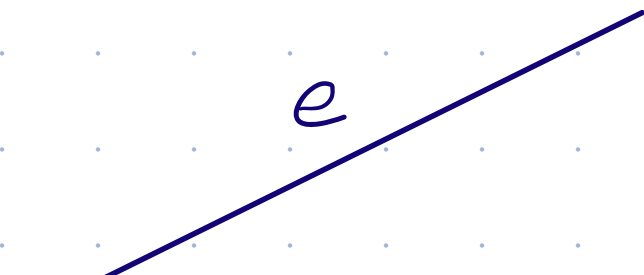
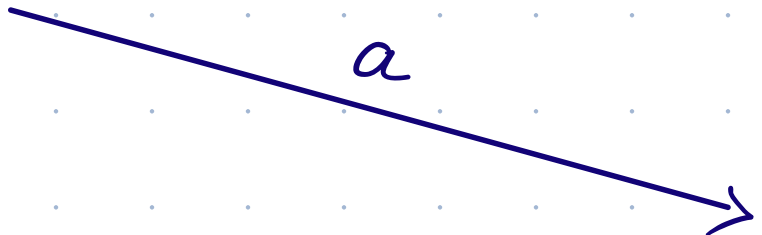
OR-Proofs

$\exists i \in [n]:$
 $x_i \in L$

sure?

$\mathcal{P}(w, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

$\mathcal{V}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$



$e \leftarrow \text{Unif}$

yes/no

Specific enough to be solved efficiently

General enough to be useful :

Ring Signatures, electronic voting

Constructing OR-Proofs

Σ -Protocol



Σ -Protocol for
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required communication
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Σ -Protocol for OR-Proofs

- [Cramer, Damgård, Schoenmakers 1994]: any Σ -Protocol but linear overhead
- From structured hardness assumptions (eg. DLog, LWE, ...) good communication complexity, but stronger assumptions
- via MPC-in-the-head unstructured assumptions, but large communication complexity

Our Contributions

Σ -Protocol
with Strong HVZK
+
Collision-resistant hashing



logarithmic communication
overhead

Σ -Protocol for
OR-Proofs

- + new notion of non-adaptively programmable functions (NAPs)
- + rejection sampling can be explained

Any questions

so far?

Starting Point

$$(w, x_1) \in L$$

\mathcal{P}

[Cramer, Damgård, Schoenmakers, 1994]

$$(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

\downarrow

honest: a_1

simulated: $e_2, \dots, e_n \leftarrow \text{Unif}$

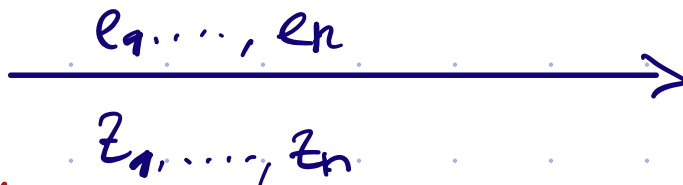
$$(a_i, z_i) \leftarrow \text{Sim}(e_i)$$

$$(a_2, e_2, z_2)$$

$$\vdots$$
$$(a_n, e_n, z_n)$$

$$e_1 \text{ st } e = e_1 + \dots + e_n$$

honest: z_1



check each

$$(a_i, e_i, z_i)$$

$$\forall i \in [n]$$

and $e = e_1 + \dots + e_n$

communication linear in n

Our Ideas

\mathcal{P}

\mathcal{V}

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 $z_2, \dots, z_n \leftarrow \text{Unif}$

$a_i := \text{StrongSim}(e_i, z_i)$

② Strong HVZK

(a_2, e_2, z_2)

\vdots
 (a_n, e_n, z_n)

① send hash

~~a_1, \dots, a_n~~

e

e_1 st $e = e_1 + \dots + e_n$

e_1, \dots, e_n

honest: z_1

z_1, \dots, z_n

use seeds to compute

e_1, \dots, e_n

z_1, \dots, z_n

and Strong Simulator
to compute

a_1, \dots, a_n

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$\forall i \in [n]$

Our Ideas

\mathcal{P}

\mathcal{V}

honest: a_1

simulated: $e_2, \dots, e_n \leftarrow \textcircled{3}$
 $z_2, \dots, z_n \leftarrow \text{Pseudorandom}$

$a_i := \text{StrongSim}(e_i, z_i)$
 (a_1, e_1, z_1)
 (a_i, e_i, z_i)
 (a_n, e_n, z_n)

$\textcircled{1}$ send hash a_1, \dots, a_n

$\textcircled{2}$ Strong HVZK

e

$\boxed{e_1}$ st $e = e_1 + \dots + e_n$

$\textcircled{3}$ send seeds

e_2, \dots, e_n

z_2, \dots, z_n

honest: $\boxed{z_1}$

$\textcircled{4}$ needs to program seeds

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 z_1, \dots, z_n
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- whose output looks random
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Key observation: we know programming location during key generation
⇒ MUCH SIMPLER

This is the moment where

we will use the

power of **NAPs** !

Non-Adaptively Programmable Functions

$$\text{msk} \leftarrow \text{Gen}(i^* \in [n])$$

$$e_i \leftarrow \text{Eval}(\text{msk}, i)$$

$$\text{psk} \leftarrow \text{Prog}(\text{msk}, e^*)$$

$$e_i \leftarrow \text{PEval}(\text{psk}, i)$$

Correctness:

① programming worked
 $\text{PEval}(\text{psk}, i^*) = e^*$

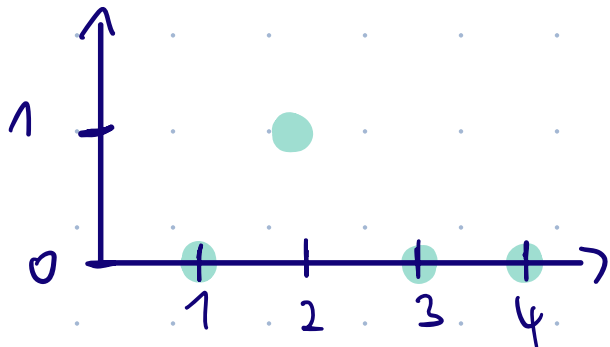
② all other positions
unchanged

$$\text{PEval}(\text{psk}, i) = \text{Eval}(\text{msk}, i) \\ \forall i \neq i^*$$

Private Programmability \sim psk does not leak
the position i^*

Point Function

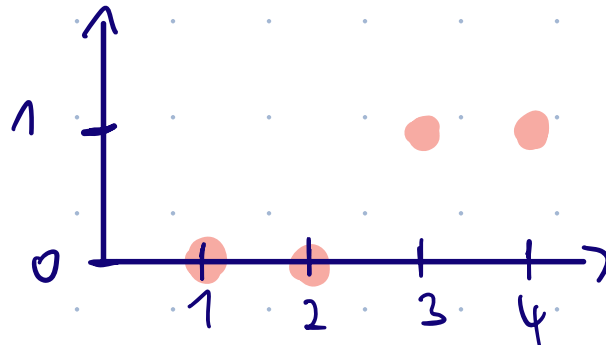
$f(x)$



$n=4$

Distributed

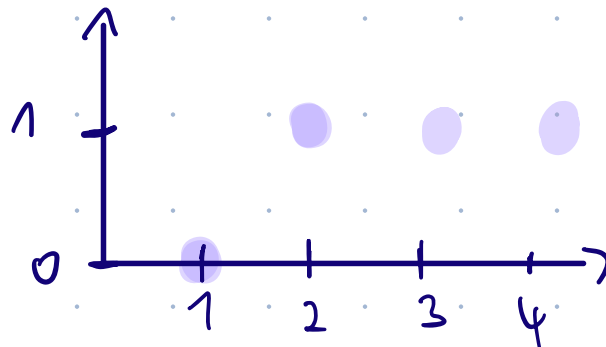
$f_0(x)$



$=$



$f_1(x)$



[Boyle-Gilboa-Ishai'15]

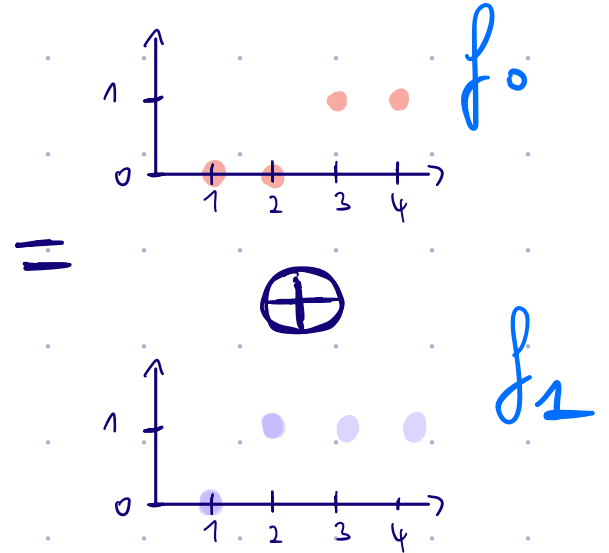
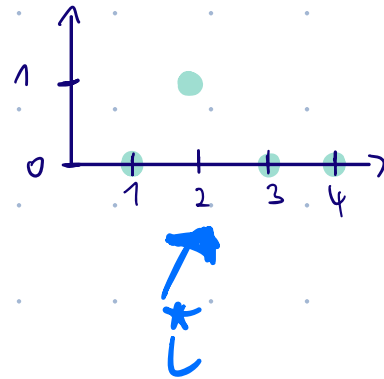
implied by collision-resistant hashing

Constructing NAPs via DPF

$n=4$

$$\text{msk} \leftarrow \text{Gen}(\star \in [n])$$

$$\text{msk} = (f_0, f_1, \star)$$



$$e_i \leftarrow \text{Eval}(\text{msk}, i) = f_0(i)$$

$\text{psk} \leftarrow \text{Prog}(\text{msk}, e^*)$ either $f_0(\star) = e^*$ or $f_1(\star) = e^*$!

$$e_i \leftarrow \text{PEval}(\text{psk}, i) = f_{0,1}(i)$$

for multiple output bits: concatenation

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\mathcal{V}

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 $z_2, \dots, z_n \leftarrow \text{Eval}$

$a_i := \text{StrongSim}(e_i, z_i)$ $\xrightarrow{H(a_1, \dots, a_n) = a}$

(a_2, e_2, z_2)

\vdots
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\xleftarrow{e}

e_1 st $e = e_1 + \dots + e_n$

honest: z_1

$psk_e \leftarrow \text{Prog}(e_1)$
 $psk_z \leftarrow \text{Prog}(z_1)$

$\xrightarrow{psk_e, psk_z}$

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check each

(a_i, e_i, z_i)

$\forall i \in [n]$

check $e = \sum e_i$

check $H(a_1, \dots, a_n) = a$

From 1-out-of-n to k-out-of-n

1-out-of-n:

simulate
obtain

e_2, \dots, e_n
 e

}

sum uniquely
determines e_1

k-out-of-n:

simulate
obtain

e_{k+1}, \dots, e_n
 e

}

uniquely
determine a
polynomial
 $P(x)$ of degree $n-k$

⇓

fixes e_1, \dots, e_k

$P(i) = e_i$

So... are we done?

Almost...

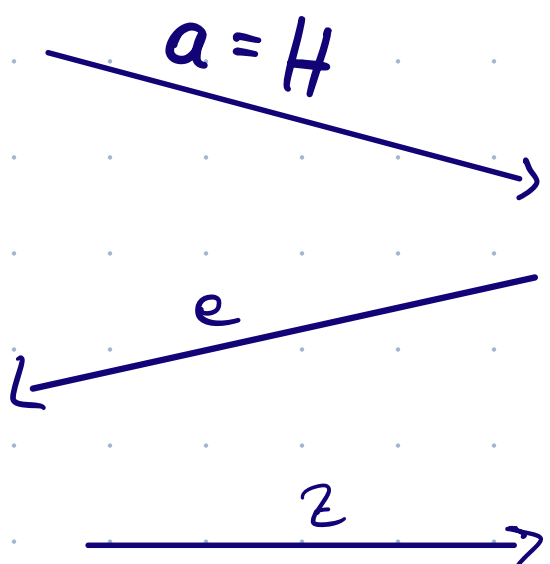
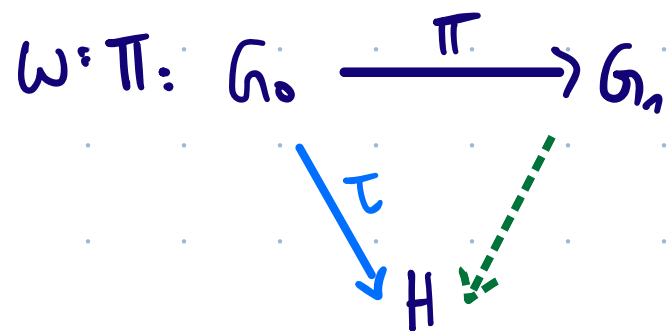
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z random isomorphism between graphs

More general distributions

- use uniform bits as the random coins for sampling other distributions (e.g. Rejection Sampling)
- use a NAP to program the random bits
- need a way to go from
 - random bits to a sample (easy)
 - a sample to "fitting" random bits (difficult)



Explainable Samplers

[Lu-Waters '22]

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↳ showed that Rejection Sampling in the context of discrete Gaussians is explainable

→ we show that Rejection Sampling is explainable in general

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