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# Syndrome Decoding in the Head: Shorter Signatures from Zero-Knowledge Proofs

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## Zero-Knowledge Protocol of Knowledge



The prover  $\mathcal{P}$  wants to convince the verifier  $\mathcal{V}$  of the correctness of a *statement*. He can cheat with a probability up to the *soundness error*.

## Which code-based assumption?

#### Syndrome Decoding Problem on Random Linear Code

- Let H, x and y be such that:
  - $\square$  *H* is uniformly sampled from  $\mathbb{F}^{(m-k) \times m}$ ,
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The prover  $\mathcal{P}$  wants to convince the verifier  $\mathcal{V}$  that he knows the solution x... without revealing any information about x.

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#### State of the art about ZK PoK for SD

Protocol	Year	Assumption	Soundness err.	
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#### $\sigma = \sigma_N \circ \sigma_{N-1} \circ \ldots \circ \sigma_3 \circ \sigma_2 \circ \sigma_1$

[FJR21] Thibauld Feneuil, Antoine Joux, and Matthieu Rivain. Shared Permutation for Syndrome Decoding: New Zero-Knowledge Protocol and Code-Based Signature. Eprint 2021/1576. Signature Scheme 00000000

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FJR21's	2021	SD	$\approx 1/N$
BGKM's	2022	SD	$\approx 1/N$

[BGKM22] Loïc Bidoux, Philippe Gaborit, Mukul Kulkarni, Victor Mateu. Code-based Signatures from New Proofs of Knowledge for the Syndrome Decoding Problem. arXiv 2110.05005.

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Prove  $wt(x) \le w$ , not wt(x) = w.

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## Definition for sharing

Let have 
$$v \in \mathbb{F}_q^m$$
.

Sample 
$$[\![v]\!] = ([\![v]\!]_1, \dots, [\![v]\!]_N) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^m)^N$$
 such that  
 $v = [\![v]\!]_1 + [\![v]\!]_2 + \dots + [\![v]\!]_N$ 

In practice,

$$\begin{cases} \llbracket v \rrbracket_i \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{F}_q^m & \text{for } i < N \\ \llbracket v \rrbracket_N = v - \sum_{i < N} \llbracket v \rrbracket_i \end{cases}$$

## Multi-Party Computation

In the MPC context, an N-sharing is usually distributed to N parties.

$$\mathcal{P}_1(\llbracket v \rrbracket_1) \qquad \mathcal{P}_2(\llbracket v \rrbracket_2) \qquad \dots \qquad \mathcal{P}_N(\llbracket v \rrbracket_N)$$
$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

From those shares, the parties can perform distributed computation.

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## Multi-Party Computation

Addition: 
$$[x + y] = [x] + [y]$$

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Multiplication by a constant:  $[\![\alpha \cdot x]\!] = \alpha \cdot [\![x]\!]$ 

$$\forall i, \ \llbracket \alpha \cdot x \rrbracket_i := \alpha \cdot \llbracket x \rrbracket_i$$

## Sharing for polynomials

Let have  $P \in \mathbb{F}[X]$  of degree at most d.

A sharing  $\llbracket P \rrbracket$  for P is a N-tuple of  $(\llbracket [X])^N$  such that  $P = \sum_{i=1}^N \llbracket P \rrbracket_i$ , where each  $\llbracket P \rrbracket_i$  is of degree at most d.



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**Evaluation:** given r,  $\llbracket P(r) \rrbracket = \llbracket P \rrbracket(r)$ 

$$\forall i, \ [\![P(r)]\!]_i := [\![P]\!]_i(r) = \sum_{j=0}^d [\![P_j]\!]_i \cdot r^j ,$$

## MPC Protocol

Let have a SD instance (H, y).

In the article, we propose a MPC protocol  $\pi$  where parties take shares of a vector x as input,

$$\mathcal{P}_1(\llbracket x \rrbracket_1) \qquad \mathcal{P}_2(\llbracket x \rrbracket_2) \qquad \dots \qquad \mathcal{P}_N(\llbracket x \rrbracket_N)$$
$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

and which outputs

$$\begin{cases} \text{ACCEPT if } y = Hx \text{ and } \operatorname{wt}(x) \le w, \\ \text{REJECT otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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## MPC-in-the-Head paradigm

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<u>Prover <math>\mathcal{P}</math></u>		Verifier $\mathcal{V}$
H, y, x such that		H, y
$y = Hx$ and $wt(x) \le w$		
Run the MPC protocol $\pi$		
for each party.		
$\operatorname{COM}_i \leftarrow \operatorname{Com}(\operatorname{view} V_i)$		
	$\xrightarrow{\text{Com}_1,,\text{Com}_N}$	$i^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{1, \dots, N\}$
	i*	
	all $V_i$ for $i \neq i^*$	
	$\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$	
		Check that the views are consistent
		Check that the MPC output is ACCEPT

View  $V_i$  of the party  $\mathcal{P}_i = \begin{cases} \text{ party's input share,} \\ \text{ secret random tape,} \\ \text{ sent and received messages.} \end{cases}$ 

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## Construction

Let  $x \in \mathbb{F}_{SD}^m$ . To prove that  $\operatorname{wt}(x) \leq w$ , we prove there exists  $Q \in \mathbb{F}_{\operatorname{poly}}[X]$  s.t.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} Q(\gamma_1) \\ Q(\gamma_2) \\ \vdots \\ Q(\gamma_m) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where

 $\mathbb{F}_{\text{poly}}$  is a field extension of  $\mathbb{F}_{\text{SD}}$ , the degree of Q is exactly w,  $\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_m$  are distinct elements of  $\mathbb{F}_{\text{poly}}$ .

 $\Rightarrow$  there are m multiplications.

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 $S \cdot Q$  is equal to zero on  $\{\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_m\}$ .

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If the prover convinces the verifier that there exists  $Q, P \in \mathbb{F}_{poly}[X]$  s.t.

$$S \cdot Q = P \cdot F$$

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then, the verifier deduces that

$$\forall i \le m, (Q \cdot S)(\gamma_i) = P(\gamma_i) \cdot F(\gamma_i) = 0 \Rightarrow \forall i \le m, Q(\gamma_i) = 0 \text{ or } S(\gamma_i) = x_i = 0$$

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i.e.

$$\operatorname{wt}(x) \le w$$

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## The MPC Protocol

Inputs of the party  $\mathcal{P}_i$ :  $\llbracket x \rrbracket_i$ ,  $\llbracket Q \rrbracket_i$  and  $\llbracket P \rrbracket_i$ .

- 1. Check that y = H[x].
- 2. Compute  $\llbracket S \rrbracket$  from  $\llbracket x \rrbracket$  thanks to

$$\llbracket S(X) \rrbracket = \sum_{i} \llbracket x_{i} \rrbracket \cdot \prod_{\ell \neq i} \frac{X - \gamma_{\ell}}{\gamma_{i} - \gamma_{\ell}}$$

3. Check that  $S \cdot Q = P \cdot F$  with  $F := \prod_{i=1}^{m} (X - \gamma_i)$ .

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#### Linear constraint

Let us assume 
$$H = (H' \mid I)$$
. We split  $x$  as  $\begin{pmatrix} x_A \\ x_B \end{pmatrix}$ .  
We have  $y = Hx = x_B + H'x_A$ . So

$$x_B = y - H' x_A.$$

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3. Check that  $S \cdot Q = P \cdot F$  with  $F := \prod_{i=1}^{m} (X - \gamma_i)$ . To check  $S \cdot Q = P \cdot F$ , we check the relation on a random point.

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Schwartz-Zippel Lemma: If  $S \cdot Q \neq P \cdot F$ , then

$$\Pr_{r \leftarrow \mathbb{F}_{\text{poly}}} [S(r) \cdot Q(r) = P(r) \cdot F(r)] \le \frac{m + w - 1}{|\mathbb{F}_{\text{poly}}|}$$

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 $\mathbb{F}_{points}$  is a field extension of  $\mathbb{F}_{poly}$ .

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- 3. Get a random point  $r \in \mathbb{F}_{\text{points}}$ .
- 4. Compute

$$\begin{bmatrix} S(r) \end{bmatrix} = \llbracket S \rrbracket(r) \\ \llbracket Q(r) \rrbracket = \llbracket Q \rrbracket(r) \\ \llbracket P(r) \rrbracket = \llbracket P \rrbracket(r)$$

5. Using [BN20], check that  $S(r) \cdot Q(r) = P(r) \cdot F(r)$ .

[BN20] Carsten Baum and Ariel Nof. Concretely-efficient zero-knowledge arguments for arithmetic circuits and their application to lattice-based cryptography. PKC 2020.

## **BN20** Checking Protocol

Inputs:  $(\llbracket x \rrbracket, \llbracket y \rrbracket, \llbracket z \rrbracket)$  and  $(\llbracket a \rrbracket, \llbracket b \rrbracket, \llbracket c \rrbracket)$ .

- 1. The parties get a random  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{F}_{\text{points}}$ .
- 2. The parties locally set  $[\![\alpha]\!] = \varepsilon[\![x]\!] + [\![a]\!]$  and  $[\![\beta]\!] = [\![y]\!] + [\![b]\!]$
- 3. The parties broadcast  $\llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$  and  $\llbracket \beta \rrbracket$  to obtain  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
- 4. The parties locally set  $\llbracket v \rrbracket = \varepsilon \llbracket z \rrbracket - \llbracket c \rrbracket + \alpha \cdot \llbracket b \rrbracket + \beta \cdot \llbracket a \rrbracket - \alpha \cdot \beta.$
- 5. The parties broadcast  $[\![v]\!]$  to obtain v.
- 6. The parties output ACCEPT if v = 0 and REJECT otherwise.

## **BN20** Checking Protocol

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- 3. The parties broadcast  $\llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$  and  $\llbracket \beta \rrbracket$  to obtain  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
- 4. The parties locally set  $\llbracket v \rrbracket = \varepsilon \llbracket z \rrbracket - \llbracket c \rrbracket + \alpha \cdot \llbracket b \rrbracket + \beta \cdot \llbracket a \rrbracket - \alpha \cdot \beta.$
- 5. The parties broadcast  $\llbracket v \rrbracket$  to obtain v.
- 6. The parties output ACCEPT if v = 0 and REJECT otherwise.

$$(z = x \cdot y)$$
 and  $(c = a \cdot b) \Longrightarrow v = 0$   
 $(z \neq x \cdot y)$  or  $(c \neq a \cdot b) \Longrightarrow v = 0$  with proba  $\frac{1}{|\mathbb{F}_{\text{points}}|}$ 

## The MPC Protocol

 $\begin{array}{l} \hline \text{Inputs of the party } \mathcal{P}_i:\\ \hline \llbracket x_A \rrbracket_i, \ \llbracket Q \rrbracket_i \ \text{and} \ \llbracket P \rrbracket_i\\ (\llbracket a \rrbracket_i, \llbracket b \rrbracket_i, \llbracket c \rrbracket_i) \ \text{such that} \ c = a \cdot b \end{array}$ 

#### MPC Protocol:

- 1. Compute  $\llbracket x_B \rrbracket = y H' \llbracket x_A \rrbracket$ , and then deduce  $\llbracket x \rrbracket$ .
- 2. Compute  $\llbracket S \rrbracket$  from  $\llbracket x \rrbracket$ .
- 3. Get a random point  $r, \varepsilon \in \mathbb{F}_{\text{points}}$ .
- 4. Compute

$$\begin{bmatrix} [S(r)]] = [[S]](r) \\ [[Q(r)]] = [[Q]](r) \\ [[P(r)]] = [[P]](r) \end{bmatrix}$$

5. Using [BN20], check that  $S(r) \cdot Q(r) = P(r) \cdot F(r)$ using  $(\llbracket a \rrbracket, \llbracket b \rrbracket, \llbracket c \rrbracket)$  and  $\varepsilon$ . Summary

The MPC protocol  $\pi$  checks that  $(\llbracket x_A \rrbracket, \llbracket Q \rrbracket, \llbracket P \rrbracket)$  describes a solution of the SD instance (H, y).

	Output of $\pi$		
	ACCEPT REJECT		
A good witness	1	0	
Not a good witness	p	1-p	

where

$$p = \underbrace{\frac{m + w - 1}{|\mathbb{F}_{\text{points}}|}}_{\text{false positive from Schwartz-Zippel}} + \left(1 - \frac{m + w - 1}{|\mathbb{F}_{\text{points}}|}\right) \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{|\mathbb{F}_{\text{points}}|}}_{\text{false positive from [BN20]}}$$

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## MPC-in-the-Head paradigm

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Prover P		veriner V
H, y, x such that		H, y
$y = Hx$ and $\operatorname{wt}(x) \le w$		
Prepare $Q, P$ and $(a, b, c)$ .		
$\operatorname{COM}_i \leftarrow \operatorname{Com}(\operatorname{inputs} \operatorname{of} \mathcal{P}_i)$		
	$Com_1,,Com_N$	$r \in \mathbb{R}$
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for each party.		
	broadcast messages	$i^* \xleftarrow{\$} \{1, \dots, N\}$
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	$\xrightarrow{\text{all } V_i \text{ for } i \neq i}$	
		Check that the views are consistent
		Check that the MPC output is ACCEPT

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## Zero-Knowledge Protocol

Soundness error:

$$p + (1-p) \cdot \frac{1}{N}$$

<u>Proof size</u>:

- Inputs of N-1 parties:
  - Party i < N: a seed of  $\lambda$  bits
  - Last party:

$$\underbrace{k \cdot \log_2 |\mathbb{F}_{\mathrm{SD}}|}_{[\![x_A]\!]_N} + \underbrace{2w \cdot \log_2 |\mathbb{F}_{\mathrm{poly}}]}_{[\![Q]\!]_N, [\![P]\!]_N} + \underbrace{\lambda}_{[\![a]\!]_N, [\![b]\!]_N} + \underbrace{\log_2 |\mathbb{F}_{\mathrm{points}}]}_{[\![c]\!]_N}$$

- $\circ$  Communication between parties: 2 elements of  $\mathbb{F}_{\text{points}}$ .
- $\circ$  2 hash digests (2 × 2 $\lambda$  bits),
- $\circ$  Some commitment randomness + COM<sub>i\*</sub>

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#### Comparison Zero-Knowledge Protocol for SD

Name Protocol	Year	Instance 1	Instance 2	
Stern	1993	37.4 KB	46.1 KB	
Véron	1997	31.7 KB	38.7 KB	
CVE10	2010	-	37.4 KB	
GPS21 (short)	2021	-	15.2 KB	
GPS21 (fast)	2021	-	19.9 KB	
FJR21 (short)	2021	13.6 KB	16.4 KB	
FJR21 (fast)	2021	$20.7~\mathrm{KB}$	$25.6~\mathrm{KB}$	
FJR22 (short)	2022	9.7 KB	6.9 KB	Prove only
FJR22 (fast)	2022	14.4 KB	9.7 KB	an inequality
Fiel	d size $q$	2	256	
Code le	ngth $m$	1280	208	
Code dime	ension $k$	m/2	m/2	
Hamming w	eight $w$	132	78	
Security	level $\lambda$	128	128	

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## Fiat-Shamir Transform

Signature algorithm:

Inputs:

- x such that y = Hx and  $wt(x) \le w$
- the message **mess** to sign
- 1. Prepare the witness, *i.e.* the polynomials P and Q.
- 2. Commit to party's inputs in distinct commitments  $COM_1, \ldots, COM_N$ .
- 3.  $r, \varepsilon = \text{Hash}(\text{mess}, \text{salt}, \text{COM}_1, \dots, \text{COM}_N).$
- 4. Run the MPC protocol  $\pi$  for each party.
- 5.  $i^* = \text{Hash}(\text{mess}, \text{salt}, r, \varepsilon, \text{broadcast messages}).$
- 6. Build the signature with the views of all the parties except the party  $i^*$ .

Signature Scheme

#### Security of the signature

#### 5-round Identification Scheme $\Rightarrow$ Signature

#### Attack of [KZ20]:

$$\operatorname{cost}_{\text{forge}} := \min_{\tau_1, \tau_2: \tau_1 + \tau_2 = \tau} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sum_{i=\tau_1}^{\tau} {\tau_1 \choose i} p^i (1-p)^{\tau-i}} + N^{\tau_2} \right\}$$

[KZ20] Daniel Kales and Greg Zaverucha. An attack on some signature schemes constructed from five-pass identification schemes. CANS 2020.

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Variant 2: SD over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ ,

$$(m, k, w) = (1536, 888, 120)$$

but we split  $x := (x_1 \mid \ldots \mid x_6)$  into 6 chunks and we prove that  $wt(x_i) \leq \frac{w}{6}$  for all *i*.

We have 
$$\mathbb{F}_{poly} = \mathbb{F}_{2^8}$$
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#### Parameters selected

#### Variant 3: SD over $\mathbb{F}_{2^8}$ ,

$$(m, k, w) = (256, 128, 80)$$

We have  $\mathbb{F}_{poly} = \mathbb{F}_{2^8}$ .

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	Security Assumption	Computation Field
Variant 1	Over $\mathbb{F}_2$	$\mathbb{F}_{2048}$
Variant 2	Over $\mathbb{F}_2$	$\mathbb{F}_{256}$
Variant 3	Over $\mathbb{F}_{256}$	$\mathbb{F}_{256}$

Two trade-offs:

Fast: N = 32,  $\tau = 27$ Short: N = 256,  $\tau = 17$  Signature Scheme 00000●00

## Comparison Code-based Signatures (1/2)

Scheme Name	sgn	pk	$t_{sgn}$	$t_{\sf verif}$
BGS21	24.1 KB	0.1 KB	-	-
BGS21	$22.5~\mathrm{KB}$	1.7 KB	-	-
GPS21 - 256	22.2 KB	0.11 KB	-	-
GPS21 - 1024	19.5 KB	0.12 KB	-	-
FJR21 (fast)	22.6 KB	0.09 KB	$13 \mathrm{ms}$	12  ms
FJR21 (short)	16.0 KB	0.09 KB	$62 \mathrm{ms}$	$57 \mathrm{ms}$
BGKM22 - Sig1	23.7 KB	0.1 KB	-	-
BGKM22 - Sig2	$20.6~\mathrm{KB}$	0.2 KB	-	-
BGKM22 - Sig3	17.0 KB	0.2 KB	-	-
FJR22 (v1-fast)	15.6 KB	0.09 KB	-	-
FJR22 (v1-short)	10.9 KB	0.09 KB	-	-
FJR22 (v2-fast)	17.0 KB	0.09 KB	13 ms	13  ms
FJR22 (v2-short)	11.8 KB	0.09 KB	$64 \mathrm{ms}$	$61 \mathrm{ms}$
FJR22 (256-fast)	11.5 KB	0.14 KB	6 ms	6  ms
FJR22 (256-short)	8.26 KB	0.14 KB	30 ms	$27 \mathrm{ms}$

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## Comparison Code-based Signatures (2/2)

Scheme Name	sgn	pk	$t_{\sf sgn}$	$t_{\sf verif}$
Durandal - I	3.97 KB	14.9 KB	$4 \mathrm{ms}$	5  ms
Durandal - II	4.90 KB	$18.2~\mathrm{KB}$	5  ms	$6 \mathrm{ms}$
LESS-FM - I	15.2 KB	9.78 KB	-	-
LESS-FM - II	$5.25~\mathrm{KB}$	205  KB	-	-
LESS-FM - III	10.39 KB	11.57 KB	-	-
Wave	2.07 KB	3.2 MB	$300 \mathrm{ms}$	-
FJR22 (v1-fast)	$15.6~\mathrm{KB}$	0.09 KB	-	-
FJR22 (v1-short)	10.9 KB	0.09 KB	-	-
FJR22 (v2-fast)	17.0 KB	0.09 KB	13  ms	$13 \mathrm{ms}$
FJR22 (v2-short)	11.8 KB	0.09 KB	$64 \mathrm{ms}$	$61 \mathrm{ms}$
FJR22 (256-fast)	11.5 KB	0.14 KB	6  ms	6  ms
FJR22 (256-short)	$8.26~\mathrm{KB}$	$0.14~\mathrm{KB}$	30  ms	$27 \mathrm{ms}$

Conclusion

#### Summary

- $\square$  Small "signature size + public key size"

#### Future Work

- $\blacksquare$  Optimize the signature implementation.
- Search parameter sets which provide better performances.