#### Zero-Knowledge Proofs I Lelantus Oct. 16, 2019

### Overview

- Zero-Knowledge
  - Proving a property about an element without revealing

- Lelantus
  - ZCoin's Zero-Knowledge protocol
  - Prove that transactions are valid, without revealing anything

- A proof about a property without revealing it
- Zero-Knowledge is not magic
- We have already seen several instances of ZKP
  - Signatures are ZK proofs of knowing the secret key
    - In ECC, the secret key a is the discrete logarithm of the public key A = aG
    - Also called proof of knowledge of discrete logarithm

- Another example we saw:
  - Pedersen Commitment  $X = aG + \lambda H$
  - We can proof that a = 0 without revealing  $\lambda$  by using X as public key in a signature  $(s, R), sH = R + \mathcal{H}(\ldots)X$

 Those techniques are called Non-Interactive Signaturebased Proof-of-Knowledge (NI SPK)

- A more general approach is the so called  $\Sigma\text{-}\mathrm{protocol}$
- A three way protocol



Accepts if conditions are met

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<u>Alice</u>, knows p

random value r, commit via ECC Point R = rG

challenge *c* is a hash using input  $R, P: c = \mathcal{H}(R | P)$ 

With  $s = r + cp = r + \mathscr{H}(\ldots)p$ , the Schnorr Signature is (s, R)

 $\Rightarrow$  Hashes can be used to transform an interactive Zero Knowledge proof into a non-interactive proof

- Zero-knowledge proofs are often shown as  $\Sigma$ -protocol
  - 1. Commit some value
  - 2. accept a challenge
  - 3. send a function
- With a hash it can be turned into a Non-Interactive proof

# $\Sigma$ -protocol for Pedersen commit as 0 or 1

- Assume we have a Pedersen Commitment  $X = aG + \lambda H$
- Before, we have seen a ZKP to show that a = 0
- Now, we look at a ZKP to show that a = 0 or a = 1

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- The one thing a = 0 and a = 1 have in common:
  - We proof that a(1 a) = 0

#### $\Sigma$ -protocol for Pedersen Commitment as 0 or 1

C = mG + rH, proof  $m \in \{0,1\}$ 

<u>Step 1</u>

- Alice (knows C = mG + rH)
- generates random  $a, s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$
- commit and send
  - $c_a = aG + sH$
  - $c_b = (am)G + tH$

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$$\stackrel{f,z_a,z_b}{\rightarrow}$$

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 $\begin{array}{l} f_{z_a,z_b} \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \quad \text{Accept if and only if:} \\ xC + c_a = fG + z_a H \\ (x - f) C + c_b = 0G + z_b H \end{array}$ 

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<u>Bob verifies:</u>  $xC + c_a \stackrel{?}{=} fG + z_a H$ 

$$xC + c_a = x(mG + rH) + (aG + sH)$$
  
=  $xmG + aG + xrH + sH$   
=  $(xm + a)G + (xr + s)H$   
=  $fG + z_aH$ 

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- We do not make any assumption about *a*, *s*
- $xC + c_a = (mx + a)G + (...)H$
- If  $xC + c_a = fG + (...)H$ , we know that f = mx + a

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Bob verifies:

- if  $xC + c_a = fG + z_aH$  and  $(x f)C + c_b = 0G + z_bH$
- then: f = mx + a and xm(1 m) = 0, regardless of x
- Thus we know that  $m \in \{0,1\}$

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- Wy do we do this?
  - It is very very cool!
  - We can use this as building block for more complex proofs
    - 1-in-N  $\Sigma$ -protocols

- Assume we have a set of Pedersen Commitments given
- $\{X_1, X_2, ..., X_n\},$ 
  - each  $X_i = m_i G + r_i H$  has
    - amount  $m_i$
    - randomness  $r_i$  as blinding value

- Assume we have a set of Pedersen Commitments given
- { $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ }, each  $X_i = m_i G + r_i H$
- Assume we know  $X_t = m_t G + r_t H$
- We want to prove that we know one of the  $X_i$

- Given:
  - { $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ },  $X_i = m_i G + r_i H$ ,  $X_t = m_t G + r_t H$
- We want to prove that we know one of the  $X_i$
- Publish related Pedersen Commitment  $Y = m_t G + sH$
- Verifier subtracts Y from all Pedersen Commitments
- Proof is now: 1 in  $\{X_1 Y, X_2 Y, ..., X_n Y\}$  is 0G + (...)H
  - Technial term: opens to 0

- New Problem:
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- We want to prove that one of the  $Y_i$  opens to 0
- Idea:
  - show that  $c_1Y_1 + c_2Y_2 + \ldots + c_nY_n$  opens to 0
  - show that each  $c_i$  is either 0 or 1
  - show that  $\sum c_i$  is 1

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  - { $Y_1, Y_2, ..., Y_n$ },  $Y_i = m_i G + s_i H$ ,  $Y_t = 0G + s_t H$
- given  $c_1Y_1 + c_2Y_2 + \ldots + c_nY_n$
- show that each  $c_i$  is either 0 or 1
  - if *c* is a number, we reveal the secret
  - if c is a group element, we don't know what  $c_i Y_i$  means

- Look at previous proof:  $if xC + c_i$ • then:  $f = t_i$
- consider f = mx + a

Alice sends  

$$c_a = aG + sH$$
  $c_b = (am)G + tH$   
 $f = mx + a$   $z_a = rx + s$   $z_b = r(x - f) + t$   
Bob verifies:  
• if  $xC + c_a = fG + z_aH$  and  $(x - f)C + c_b = 0G + z_bH$   
• then:  $f = mx + a$  and  $xm(1 - m) = 0$ , regardless of  $x$   
• Thus we know that  $m \in \{0,1\}$ 

- Contains the value  $m \in \{0,1\}$
- since a, m is secret, knowing f doesn't reveal m

- New Problem:
  - { $Y_1, Y_2, ..., Y_n$ },  $Y_i = m_i G + s_i H$ ,  $Y_t = 0G + s_t H$
- given  $f_1Y_1 + f_2Y_2 + \ldots + f_nY_n$
- Conduct N parallel  $\Sigma$  protocols for  $f_i = m_i x_i + a_i$ 
  - That gives a proof that  $m_i \in \{0,1\}$

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=  $m_kxY_k + \sum a_kY_k$ 

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- but now we have

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$$= m_k x Y_k + \sum_{k} a_k Y_k$$
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independent of x, can be send beforehand in a Pedersen Commitment

New Problem:

•  $\{Y_1, Y_2, ..., Y_n\}, Y_i = m_iG + s_iH, Y_t = 0G + s_tH$ Proof:

$$f_1Y_1 + f_2Y_2 + \dots + f_nY_n = m_kxY_k + \sum a_kY_k$$
 opens to 0

- Doable, but not very efficient
  - n is the size of the anonymity set
  - We can do better
Summary:

- A efficient, but slightly complicated, protocol
- We can show that we know an index *t* of an element in the anonymity that opens to 0, i.e.  $Y_t = 0G + s_tH$

## Building a cryptocurrency

We need

- A way to store the amount
- A way to prevent double spending (an ID, or serial#)
- A blinding factor for anonymity

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# Spending a Coin

- Node publish serial# z (in plaintext) and anonymity set
- Validator can verify whether this serial numbers has been used before
- Validator creates  $\mathcal{S} = \{X_i zG | X_i \text{ in anonymity set}\}$
- Node publishes a 1-in-N proof that one of the  $X_i$  opens to 0, i.e.  $X_i = aG + 0H + \gamma F$

# Efficiency comparison

|            | Anonymity | Trusted | Cryptographic  | Proof    | Proof   | Verification |
|------------|-----------|---------|----------------|----------|---------|--------------|
|            | Set Size  | Setup   | Assumptions    | Size(KB) | Time(s) | Time(ms)     |
| Monero     | 10        | No      | Well-tested    | 2.1      | 1       | 47           |
| Zerocash   | $2^{32}$  | Yes     | Relatively New | 0.3      | 1-20    | 8            |
| Zerocoin   | $2^13$    | Yes     | Well-tested    | 25       | 0.2     | 200          |
| Lelantus 1 | $2^{14}$  | No      | Well-tested    | 1.5      | 1.2     | $12$ $^1$    |
| Lelantus 2 | $2^{16}$  | No      | Well-tested    | 1.5      | 5.2     | $35$ $^2$    |

#### Lelantus

- Coins are Pedersen Commitments
  - Value, Serial number, blinding factor  $X = vG + sH + \gamma F$



## Lelantus Mint

- Delete a plaintext coin, create a hidden coin
  - Hidden Coins:  $X = vG + sH + \gamma F$
- Publish a coin + proof that the value of the coin
  - Proof of knowledge of discrete logarithm

$$X - vG = sH + \gamma F$$

E.g.  $(c, d, \alpha)$ , so that  $c = \mathscr{H} \left( G |H| F | c(X - vG) + dH + \alpha F \right)$ no correcting term for *G*, thus this term does not contain any *G* 

# Leleantus Spend

• Simply open the commitment  $(v, s, \gamma)$  to show that

$$X = vG + sH + \gamma F$$

• Amount v will be deposited to your account, ready to use

# Leleantus JoinSplit

• Similarly to MimbleWimble transactions:

 $\ln_1 + \dots + \ln_n - \operatorname{Out}_1 - \dots - \operatorname{Out}_m - \underbrace{eG}_{\text{extra output}} = \underbrace{0G + 0H + \varepsilon F}_{\text{transaction kernel}}$ 

- 1. For every input, present a 1-in-N  $\Sigma$ -protocol
  - publish Serial #, 1-in-N proof provides transaction input

$$\underbrace{c_1}_{=0} Y_1 + \underbrace{c_2}_{=0} Y_2 + \dots + \underbrace{c_t}_{t} Y_t + \dots + \underbrace{c_n}_{=0} Y_n = \underbrace{Z}_{vG+0F+\gamma'F}$$

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2. Proof that transaction kernel only consists of Fs with Schnorr Signature

$$(s, R), \text{ so that } \underline{sF} = \underline{R} + \mathcal{H}(R \mid T) \underline{T}$$
  
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Efficient encoding of the coefficients

- ZCash, Zerocoin, ZCoin all work somehow similarly
  - 1-in-N proof that someone knows a token
  - Double spend prevention via serial number

ZCoin

• used Lelantus

Zerocash

- Uses a Merkle Tree to store hidden coins
- 1-in-N proof is therefore aProof-of-Knowledge about an entry in the Merkle Tree
  - zk-SNARKS

Zerocoin (originally only fixed size values  $X = sH + \gamma F$ )

 Programming bugs, i.e. "=" vs "==", or insufficient checks to allow spending the same serial number twice

 $\gamma F = (\gamma + \text{grouporder})F$ 

how many elements in curve

- Attack vector: Serial numbers can be chose freely. Bob sees Alice using a serial number, he can quickly mint and spend a coin with the same serial number. This makes the coin for Alice unusable
- April 2018: A unrecoverable cryptographic problem. Two ZK proofs were used:
  - (1) proof of knowledge of a minted coin
  - (2) proof of knowledge of a serial number
  - The part that joins these two proofs (that the coin known in (1) is the one with the serial#) was flawed
- Original Zerocoin stopped. Complete redo (also using zk-SNARKs) in the making

# Appendix

Detailed description of the 1-in-N  $\Sigma$ -protocol using the binary representation of indices (25 = 00011001)

- Problem:
  - { $Y_1, Y_2, ..., Y_n$ },  $Y_i = m_i G + s_i H$ ,  $Y_t = 0G + s_t H$
- Efficient encoding of the coefficients:
  - Proof that you know a value *t* so that

$$c_1 Y_1 + c_2 Y_2 + \ldots + c_n Y_n$$
 opens to 0

- Assume each index i is given in binary format
  - (i.e. i=0110101)

- New Problem:
  - { $Y_1, Y_2, ..., Y_n$ },  $Y_i = m_i G + s_i H$ ,  $Y_t = 0G + s_t H$
- Efficient approach:
  - represent the index i in binary form, i.e. t = 11001
  - for each digit a separate variable  $c_0c_1c_2c_3c_4c_5$ 
    - Instead of N secret {0,1} coefficients, only  $O(\log(N))$
  - Details are more complex, at the end of the lecture (if time permits)

#### Indices

#### **Binary Representation**

|              |   | <i>Y</i> <sub>10</sub> | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |
|--------------|---|------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| A CONTRACTOR |   | <i>Y</i> <sub>17</sub> | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |
|              | Ś | <i>Y</i> <sub>20</sub> | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |
|              |   | <i>Y</i> <sub>25</sub> | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |
|              |   | <i>Y</i> <sub>27</sub> | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |
|              |   | <i>Y</i> <sub>28</sub> | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |
|              |   | Our Element            |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |

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**Anonymity Set** 



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• 
$$\delta_l = 1$$
 only for our element

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We need

- $\delta(1,0)$  for the first digit to be 0
- $\delta(1,1)$  for the first digit to be 1
- $\delta(2,0)$  for the second digit to be 0
- $\delta(2,1)$  for the second digit to be 1
- $\delta(3,0)$  for the third digit to be 0
- $\delta(3,1)$  for the third digit to be 1

Number of values:  $O\left(\log(N)\right)$ 

$$\{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}, Y_i = m_i G + s_i H, Y_t = 0G + s_t H$$
  
Given  $\delta(k, i_k), \ \delta_l = \prod_k \delta(k, l_k)$ . Show that

1. Each  $\delta_l$  is 0 or 1

2.  $\delta_1 Y_1 + \delta_2 Y_2 + \ldots + \delta_n Y_n$  opens to 0

Let's focus on 
$$\delta_l = \prod_k \delta(k, l_k)$$

• Using the 0/1 protocol, we hide for each digit the value  $\delta(k,0)$  with

$$f_{l,0} = \delta(k,0)x + a_{l,0}$$

We have

. . .

- $f_{0,0}$  for the first digit to be 0
- $f_{1,0}$  for the second digit to be 0
- $f_{3,0}$  for the third digit to be 0

 $\delta(k,0)$  is 1 if the  $k^{th}$ digit is 0  $\delta(k,0)$  is 0 if the  $k^{th}$ digit is 1

We have 
$$f_{0,1} = x - f_{0,0}$$

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• hide

• 
$$\delta(k,0)$$
 in  $f_{l,0} = \delta(k,0)x + a_{l,0}$ 

• 
$$\delta(k,1)$$
 in  $f_{l,1} = x - f_{l,0}$ 

Instead of 
$$\delta_l = \prod_k \delta(k, l_k)$$
, consider the product  $p_l(x) = \prod_k f_{k, l_k}$ 

Let's focus on 
$$\delta_l = \prod_k \delta(k, l_k)$$

 $\delta(k,0) \text{ in } f_{l,0} = \delta(k,0)x + a_{l,0}$  $\delta(k,1) \text{ in } f_{l,1} = x - f_{l,0}$ 

The product 
$$p_l(x) = \prod_k f_{k,l_k}$$
 is  
 $p_l(x) = \prod_k \left(\delta(k, l_k)x + a_{k,l_k}\right) = \delta_l x^m + \sum_k^{m-1} p_{l,k} x^k$ 

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- The value  $\delta_l$  is the secret parameter we need
  - 1 for our own element, 0 for everything else

$$p_{l}(x) = \prod_{k} \left( \delta(k, l_{k}) x + a_{l,k} \right) = \delta_{l} x^{m} + \sum_{k}^{m-1} \rho_{l,k} x^{k}$$

- The other term  $p_{l,k}$  are independent of challenge x
  - Can be computed ahead of time
  - Can be transmitted as Pedersen Commitments

- $\{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}, Y_i = m_i G + s_i H, Y_t = 0G + s_t H$
- 1. Generate random values  $\rho_k$  and compute  $p_{l,k}$

Transmit 
$$Q_k = \sum_i p_{l,k} Y_i + \rho_k H$$
 (Pedersen Comm)

- 2. For all  $\delta(k, l_k)$  values start a separate  $\Sigma$ -protocol
  - For an anonymity set of 1024, e.g., we need only 10 parallel 0/1 zero-knowledge proofs

• Results in 
$$f_{k,0} = \delta(k,0)x + a_{k,0}$$

• A commitment for the  $k^{th}$  digit to be 0

 $\{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}, Y_i = m_i G + s_i H,$  $f_{k,2_k}$  is the  $f_{k,0}$  or  $f_{k,1}$ , depending  $Y_t = 0G + s_t H$ on whether the  $k^{th}$  digit of the 3. Send  $z_d = s_t x^n - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \rho_k x^k$ second index is 0 or 1 4. Verifier checks:  $\left(\prod_{i} f_{k,1_{k}}\right)Y_{1} + \left(\prod_{i} f_{k,2_{k}}\right)Y_{2} + \dots + \left(\prod_{i} f_{k,n_{k}}\right)Y_{n} + \sum_{i}^{n-1} x^{-k}Q_{k} = 0G + z_{d}H$ 

# **Complete Description**

ck is commitment key, i.e. two group elements G, H

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{P}(ck, (c_0, \dots, c_{N-1}), (\ell, r)) & \mathcal{V}(ck, (c_0, \dots, c_{N-1}))) \\ \text{For } j = 1, \dots, n \\ r_j, a_j, s_j, t_j, \rho_k \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q \\ c_{\ell_j} = \operatorname{Com}_{ck}(\ell_j; r_j) \\ c_{a_j} = \operatorname{Com}_{ck}(a_j; s_j) & c_{\ell_1}, c_{a_1}, c_{b_1}, c_{d_0}, \dots, \\ c_{b_j} \leftarrow \operatorname{Com}_{ck}(\ell_j a_j; t_j) & \underline{c_{\ell_n}, c_{a_n}, c_{b_n}, c_{d_{n-1}}} \\ \text{sc}_{d_k} = \prod_i c_i^{p_{i,k}} \operatorname{Com}_{ck}(0; \rho_k) & c_{\ell_1}, c_{a_1}, c_{b_1}, c_{d_0}, \dots, \\ using k = j - 1 & f_1, \dots, z_d \in \mathbb{Z}_q \\ \text{and } p_{i,k} \text{ from } (1) & \underline{x \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{\lambda}} \\ \text{For } j = 1, \dots, n & f_1, z_{a_1}, z_{b_1}, \dots, \\ f_j = \ell_j x + a_j & f_n, z_{a_n}, z_{b_n}, z_d \\ z_{a_j} = r_j (x - f_j) + t_j & using f_{j,1} = f_j \\ z_d = rx^n - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \rho_k x^k & and f_{j,0} = x - f_j \end{array}$$

Commitment  $Com_{ck}(x, y) = xG + yH$ 

Multiplicative notation  $aG \mapsto g^a$