

Computational Complexity: Lecture 27.

Agenda: - Zero knowledge for IP.
- Zero knowledge proofs of knowledge.

Recap: - Zero knowledge interactive proofs.

Defn: L has a zk IP if there is a protocol $V \leftrightarrow P$ s.t:

[Completeness] $x \in L \Rightarrow \Pr[V \leftrightarrow P(x) = \text{acc.}] \geq 2/3$

[Soundness] $x \notin L \Rightarrow \forall P^*: \Pr[V \leftrightarrow P^*(x) = \text{acc.}] \leq 1/3$.

[Zero knowledge] $\forall V^*$, there is a ZPP simulator S^* s.t. $\{S^*(x)\} \equiv \{\text{View}_{V^*}(V \leftrightarrow P(x))\}$.

(perfect zk, statistical zk, computational zk).

Examples:

\triangleright GNT: $\{(G_1, G_2) : G_1 \neq G_2\}$.

Ver: Pick $b \in_R \{1, 2\}$

Pick $\sigma \in_R S_n$

$H := \sigma(G_b)$

\xrightarrow{H}

Prover.

Acc if $C = b$.

\xleftarrow{C}

Simulator for V^* :

▷ Pick b, σ acc to V^* .

▷ Return view : $(b, \sigma, \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{H} \\ \xleftarrow{b} \end{array})$

▷ GI: $\{(G_1, G_2) : G_1 \cong G_2\}$.

Prover: $(\tau : G_1 \rightarrow G_2)$

Picks $\sigma \in_R S_n$.

$H = \sigma(G_2)$

If $c=2$, returns $\pi = \sigma$

Else, returns $\pi = \sigma\tau$

Verifier

Picks $c \in_R \{1, 2\}$ \xleftarrow{H}

\xrightarrow{c}

Acc if

$\pi(G_c) = H$.

$\xleftarrow{\pi}$

Simulator for V^* :

▷ Pick $b \in_R \{1, 2\}$. Pick $\sigma \in_R S_n$.

▷ $H = \sigma(G_b)$

▷ Simulate V^* by pretending to send H to V^* .

V^* will send c .

If $c=b$, return view $\begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{H} \\ \xrightarrow{c} \\ \xleftarrow{\sigma} \end{array}$

Else: try again.

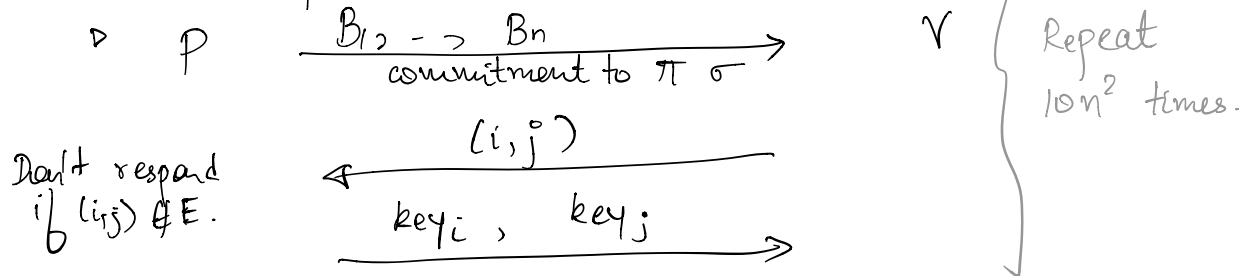
Thm [Goldreich-Micali-Wigderson] CZK for all $\mathcal{L} \in NP$.

Obs: The honest prover is only a BPP with witness.

Sketch for 3-colouring:

Prover knows a $\sigma : [n] \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\}$.

▷ Prover picks $\pi \in_R S_3$.



Commitment: $\text{Commit}(k, \text{value}) = c$.

▷ (Perfectly binding) $\text{Commit}(k_1, v_1) = \text{Commit}(k_2, v_2) \Rightarrow v_1 = v_2$.

(No adversary can later "change" the value after committing to it).

▷ (Computationally hiding).

$$\{\text{Commit}(\cdot, x)\}_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \equiv \{\text{Commit}(\cdot, y)\}.$$

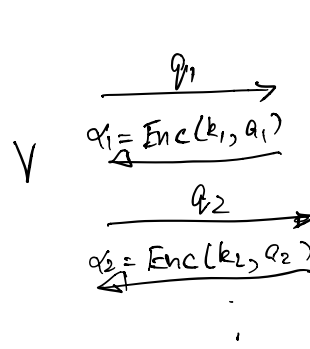
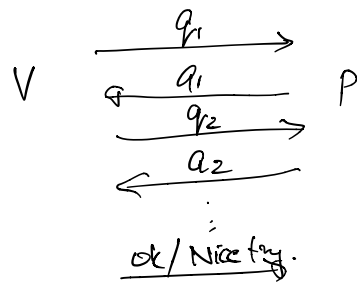
(before revealing the key, no p.p.t machine should be able to "guess" value from commitment).

Q: Can we make any IP into a zero knowledge IP protocol?

[Ben-Or - Goldreich - Goldwasser - Hastad - Kilian - Micali - Rogaway]

Yes!

Usual Protocol:



$\text{Ver}(q_1, a_1, q_2, a_2, \dots)$

Two obvious issues:

- 1) How will verifier know what to ask in round 2 if verifier doesn't know what the prover sent in round 1?

IP = AM[poly]. Arthur doesn't need to understand prev messages to send a random string.

- 2) How will the verifier know whether or not to accept?

Ask prover for keys.

" $\exists k_1, \dots, k_m$ s.t. $\text{Ver}(q_1, a_1, \dots, q_m, a_m)$
where $a_i = \text{Dec}(k_i, \alpha_i)$ "

This is in NP! [GMW].

Full proof: Given a protocol $\Pi: V \leftrightarrow P$ for L .

Assume WLOG:

- ▷ This is an AM [poly] protocol.
Verifier only sends public, random coins.
Acceptance is deterministic.
- ▷ Prover is also deterministic.
- ▷ Both verifier & prover send length l messages each round.
- ▷ Perfect completeness.

Completeness & soundness is straightforward.

Simulator for V^* :

- ▷ Run V^* and get q_1 .
- ▷ Send $\alpha_1 = \text{Enc}_{k_1}(0^l)$ to V^* . Get q_2 from V^* .
- ▷ Send $\alpha_2 = \text{Enc}_{k_2}(0^l)$ to V^* . Get q_3 from V^* .
- ▷ \vdots
- ▷ Build the SAT instance. $\exists k_1, \dots, k_m: V^*(q_1, \dots, q_m, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$
with $\alpha_i = \text{Dec}_{k_i}(\alpha_i)$.
- ▷ Reduce the instance to 3-COL to get a graph G .
- ▷ Run the ZK simulator for G .

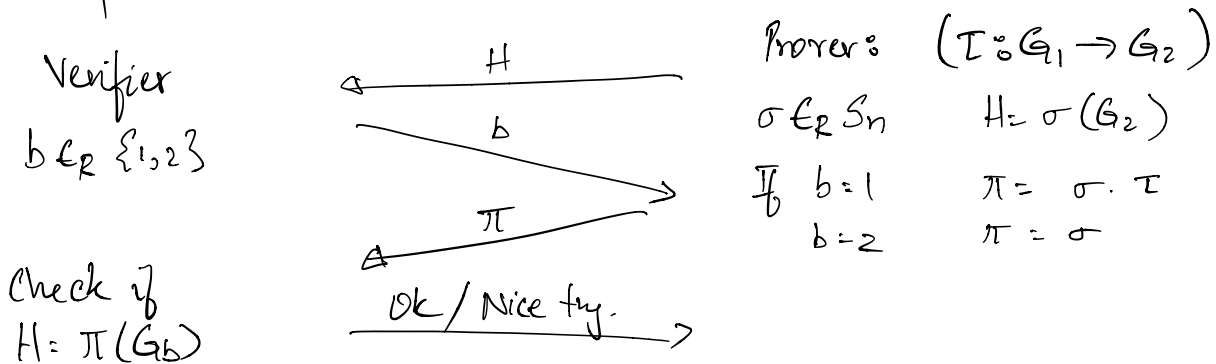
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Proofs of knowledge:

Can a protocol somehow convince a verifier that the prover must know something? Or have a witness?

"The only way this prover can convince me w.h.p is if the prover knows a witness".

Example: GI



Suppose P^* makes verifier accept w.p $\geq 3/4$
does it mean P^* "knows" an isomorphism?

[Bellare-Goldreich]: "You should be able to "extract"
a witness from such a prover".



knowledge extractor.

Knowledge extractor: A machine M is a "knowledge extractor" if

- ▷ M is a randomized expected poly time oracle machine, with "rewindable BB access" to P^* ,
- ▷ If P^* makes verifier accept w.p. \gg threshold, then M given access to P^* can produce w .

Lemma: There is a knowledge extractor for GI with threshold $1/2$.

Pf: M : Run P^* to get the first message H .
"Save the state"

Send $b=1$ and get π_1 from P^* .

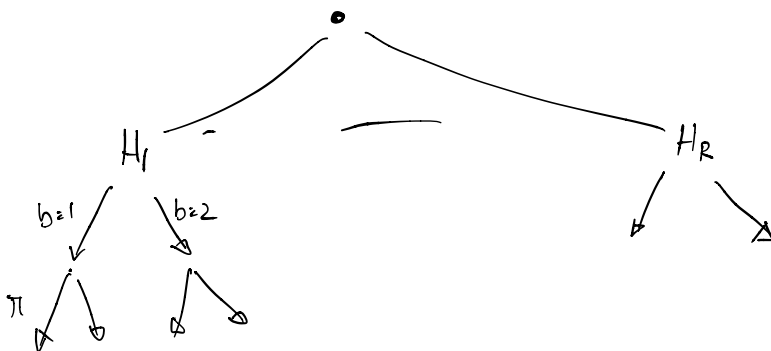
P^* succ
w.p. $\gg 3/4$

Rewind to saved state

Send $b=2$ and get π_2 from P^*

Check if $\pi_2^{-1} \pi_1(G_1) = G_2$. If yes, return. Else, retry.

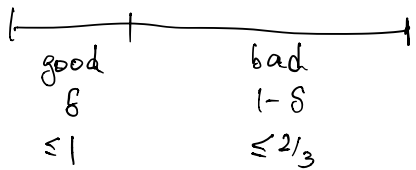
Why does this run in expected poly time? How many repeats?



H is "good" if $P_x [P^* \text{ makes ver. acc after saying } H] \geq 2/3$

Claim: $\Pr[P^*'s \text{ first message } H \text{ is "good"}] \geq 1/4.$

Pf:



$$\delta \cdot 1 + (1-\delta) \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{\delta}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \geq \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \geq 1/4.$$

□

$p = \Pr[\text{Ver. acc. after } (H, 1)]$ $q = \Pr[\text{Ver. acc. after } (H, 2)]$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{p+q}{2} &\geq \frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow p+q \geq \frac{4}{3} \\ \Rightarrow p, q &\geq 1/3. \end{aligned} \right\} \Pr[\text{Ver. acc. after } (A, 1)] \geq 1/9$$

□

$\Rightarrow M$ breaks out w.p. $\geq 1/36.$

What about all of NP?

Blum's protocol for Hamiltonicity:

Prover: (knows a Hamilton cycle in G).

Picks $\sigma \in S_n$. $H = \sigma(G)$. Puts all n^2 bits in locked boxes and sends these to verifier.

Verifier: With prob $1/2$:

- Show me how the locked boxes contain a shuffling of G .

With prob $1/2$:

- Reveal the length n path.

Further reading:- "On Σ -protocols" by Ivan Damgård.

- Non-interactive zero knowledge