| | Sudoku | Hamiltonian Cycle | Discrete Log (variant) | Discrete Log (Schnorr variant) |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| | Partial sudoku Ψ is solvable | Graph G is Hamiltonian ¹ | Let $\mathbb G$ of order q and $y \in \mathbb Z_q$ be fixed. I know $x \in \mathbb Z_q$ such that $[x] = y$ | Let $\mathbb G$ of order q and $y\in \mathbb G$ be fixed. I know $x\in \mathbb Z_q$ such that $[x]=y$ |
| | Solution $\overline{\Psi}$ | Hamiltonian cycle v | x | x |
| Iteration | | | | |
| 1. Rerandomization by P of | Pick set isomorphism i on $\{1, \ldots, 9\}$ | Pick graph isomorphism $i: G \to G'$ (just relabel vertices) | | |
| 1. Problem Statement | 1. $\Psi' := i[\Psi]$ is solvable | 1. $G' := i[G]$ is Hamiltonian | Pick $r \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$ uniformly at random | Pick $r \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$ uniformly at random |
| 2. Solution | 2. $\overline{\Psi'}:=i[\overline{\Psi}]$ is solution to Ψ' | 2. $v' := i[v]$ is Hamiltonian cycle for G'^2 | y v | y v |
| 2. Commitment by P | Send all of $ \bullet \ \left(\mathrm{com}(\Psi_{i,j}) \right)_{i,j} \\ \bullet \ \mathrm{com}(\Psi') $ | Send all of G' • $com(i)$ • $com(v')$ | Send all of $ \hat{g} := [r] $ $ \cdot \operatorname{com}(r) $ | Send $[r]$ |
| 3. Pose Challenge by V | Ask for one of • permuted row i • permuted column j • permuted square k • permuted statement In total, this gives $9+9+9+1=28$ challenge types | Ask for one of $ \bullet \ \ \text{isomorphism} \ i \colon G \to G' \\ \bullet \ \ \text{Hamiltonian cycle in} \ G' $ | Ask for one of r $x+r$ and denote response by resp. | Pick $c \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$ uniformly at random. Ask for $cx + r$ and denote response by resp. |
| 4. Respond to challenge by P | canonical: respond exactly with what was required | | | |
| 5. Verify response by V | Check that no numbers occur twice in row, column, or square, or that the permuted statement is in fact a permutation | Check • conditions on isomorphism, • or check that cycle is indeed Hamiltonian | Check • that indeed $\hat{g}=[\text{resp.}]$ • that $[\text{resp.}]=y+\hat{g}$ namely if indeed $[x]=y$, then $y+\hat{g}=[x]+[r]=[x+r]=[\text{resp.}]$ | Check that [resp.] = $cy + [r]$ |
| Completeness P can convince V in case P actually had a solution | Since step 4 above is canonical, provers can convince with prob. of 1 | | | |
| Soundness P cannot convince V without having a solution | Probability of convincing w/o sol. is $\approx \left(\frac{1}{28}\right)^{\text{\#iter}}$ | Probability of convincing w/o sol. is $ \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\text{\#iter}} $ | Probability of convincing w/o sol. is $ \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\# iter} $ | todo |
| Zero Knowledge V doesn't learn anything about the witness | todo | In each round, V learns either a useless isomorphism or a Hamiltonian cycle in $G' \cong G$. Since the graph isomorphism problem is believed to be hard, learning about such a cycle in G' without learning the isomorphism is useless as well | In each round, V learns $either$ a useless random r or $x+r$. In the latter case, however, since $r \sim \mathcal{U}(\mathbb{Z}_q)$, we also have $(x+r) \sim \mathcal{U}(\mathbb{Z}_q)^3$ | In each round, V only learns $[r]$ and $cx + r$ for a c chosen by them. Due to DLOG assumed to be hard in \mathbb{G} , in the eyes of V we have $r \sim \mathcal{U}(\mathbb{Z}_q)$ and hence $(cx + r) \sim \mathcal{U}(\mathbb{Z}_q)^3$. |

¹ This means it contains a so-called Hamiltonian cycle that is a path visiting every node exactly once.

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Useful Links

- Sudoku (slightly different challenges are given, though)
 - https://manishearth.github.io/blog/2016/08/10/interactive-sudoku-zero-knowledge-proof/
 - -https://manishearth.github.io/sudoku-zkp/zkp.html
- Hamiltonian Cycles: [Wik20b]
- Discrete Log (variant): [Wik20a]
- Discrete Log (Schnott variant)
 - $-Lecture\ Notes\ by\ Prof.\ Schröder\ on\ "Privacy-Preserving\ Cryptocurrencies"\ (currently\ non-public;\ only\ accessible\ to\ students\ enrolled\ in\ their\ course)$

ing the isomorphism is useless as well.

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 $^{^{2}}$ Here, v is effectively a sequence of edges, on which the isomorphism is applied elementwise.

³ This is a simple lemma holding for arbitrary groups. The security of the OTP is based on this, usually phrased in the language of the group $(\{0,1\}^n, \oplus)$.