

### **NIZK** from Bilinear Maps

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## Bilinear maps

Background



#### **Bilinear maps**

Setup describing  $(p, G_1, G_2, G_T, e, g, h)$ 

- Prime *p* 
  - Size of prime related to security level, could for instance choose  $|p| \approx 256$
- Cyclic groups  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ ,  $G_T$  of order p
  - Written multiplicatively with neutral elements 1 in this talk
  - Generators g, h such that  $G_1 = \langle g \rangle, G_2 = \langle h \rangle$
- Map  $e: G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_T$ 
  - Non-degenerate:  $e(g, h) \neq 1$
  - Bilinear: For all  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ :  $e(g^a, h^b) = e(g, h)^{ab}$



#### Generic bilinear group operations

- Canonical representation of group elements
  - So easy to determine whether u = v
- Efficient algorithms to
  - Decide membership in the three groups, e.g.,  $u \in G_1$
  - Compute group operations in the three groups, e.g.,  $u \cdot v$  in  $G_2$
  - Evaluate the bilinear map, e.g., e(u, v)
- We refer to these as the generic group operations



#### Types of bilinear maps

- In pairing-based cryptography, usually the source groups  $G_1$  ( $G_2$ ) are subgroups of elliptic curves over a finite field  $F_q$  ( $F_{q^e}$ ), the target group  $G_T$  a multiplicative subgroup of  $F_{q^k}^*$ , and the bilinear map a pairing  $e: G_1 \times G_2 \to G_T$
- The underlying mathematical details of the groups and the bilinear map will not be important for these lectures, but it is worth noting the classification of Galbraith, Paterson and Smart [GPS04]
  - Type I: Symmetric setting where  $G_1 = G_2$
  - Type II: Asymmetric setting  $G_1 \neq G_2$  with an efficiently computable isomorphism  $\psi: G_2 \to G_1$
  - Type III: Asymmetric setting  $G_1 \neq G_2$  where there is no efficiently computable isomorphism in either direction



#### **Efficiency**

- Type III pairings are currently the most efficient
  - So unless otherwise specified we work in the type III setting
- Size of group element representations
  - $\circ$  For  $a \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ ,  $u \in G_1$ ,  $v \in G_2$ ,  $w \in G_T$  expect |a| < |u| < |v| < |w|
- Cost of operations
  - $\circ$  Multiplications in  $G_1$  cheaper than multiplications in  $G_2$  cheaper than multiplications in  $G_T$
  - $\circ$  Exponentiations in  $G_1$  cheaper than exponentiations in  $G_2$  cheaper than exponentiations in  $G_T$
  - Bilinear map the most expensive



### Getting used to bilinear maps

- Recall  $e: G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_T$ 
  - Non-degenerate:  $e(g, h) \neq 1$
  - Bilinear: For all  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ :  $e(g^a, h^b) = e(g, h)^{ab}$
- Exercises
  - What does the equation  $e(u, v)e(u, w) = y^a z$  implicitly assume about which groups u, v, w, y, z, a belong to?
  - If you see the equation e(u, u) = z are you in a type I, II or III setting?
  - $\circ \quad \text{Reduce } e(g^a,h)e\big(g^b,h\big)\,,\ e(g,h^a)e\big(g^b,h\big)\,,\ e\big(g^a,h^{-b}\big)e(u,v)e(f,h)^c\;,\ \textstyle\prod_{i=1}^n e(g,h^{a_i})^{b_i}$
  - O Reduce e(u,v)e(u,w),  $e(u,v^a)e(u^b,v)$ ,  $e(g^a,v^{-b})e(f,w)e(u,v)^c$ ,  $\prod_{i=1}^n e(u^a,v_i^b)^{\frac{c_i}{ab}}$
  - Show that if e(u, v) = 1 then u = 1 or v = 1



#### **Answers**

- What does the equation  $e(u, v)e(u, w) = y^a z$  implicitly assume about which groups u, v, w, y, z, a belong to?  $u \in G_1, v, w \in G_2, y, z \in G_T, a \in \mathbf{Z}_p$
- If you see the equation e(u, u) = z are you in a type I, II or III setting?

Type I because 
$$u \in G_1$$
,  $u \in G_2$  indicates  $G_1 = G_2$ 

O Reduce  $e(g^a,h)e(g^b,h)$ ,  $e(g,h^a)e(g^b,h)$ ,  $e(g^a,h^{-b})e(u,v)e(g,h)^c$ ,  $\prod_{i=1}^n e(g,h^{a_i})^{b_i}$ 

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e(g^{a},h)e(g^{b},h) = e(g,h)^{a}e(g,h)^{b} = e(g,h)^{a+b}
e(g,h^{a})e(g^{b},h) = e(g,h)^{a}e(g,h)^{b} = e(g,h)^{a+b}
e(g^{a},h^{-b})e(u,v)e(g,h)^{c} = e(g,h)^{-ab}e(g,h)^{c}e(u,v) = e(g,h)^{c-ab}e(u,v)
\prod_{i=1}^{n} e(g,h^{a_{i}})^{b_{i}} = \prod_{i=1}^{n} e(g,h)^{a_{i}b_{i}} = e(g,h)^{\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}b_{i}}
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- o Interesting follow-up question, is  $e(g^{a+b}, h)$  or  $e(g, h^{a+b})$  or  $e(g, h)^{a+b}$  more "reduced"?
  - Recall cost hierarchy expo in  $G_1 \le \exp in G_2 \le \exp in G_T \le pairing$
  - So maybe  $e(g^{a+b}, h)$  cheaper to compute at cost of 1 expo in  $G_1$  and 1 pairing
  - However, if e(g,h) used often, precompute to get  $e(g,h)^{a+b}$  at amortized cost of 1 expo in  $G_T$



#### **Answers**

• Reduce e(u,v)e(u,w),  $e(u,v^a)e(u^b,v)$ ,  $e(g^a,v^{-b})e(f,w)e(u,v)^c$ ,  $\prod_{i=1}^n e(u^a,v_i^b)^{\frac{c_i}{ab}}$ 

Because g generates  $G_1$  we can write any  $u \in G_1$  as  $u = g^x$ Similarly, we can write any  $v, w \in G_2$  as  $v = h^y$  and  $w = h^z$ 

- All we know is such  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  exist, we may not know what they are

$$e(u,v)e(u,w) = e(g^{x},h^{y})e(g^{x},h^{z}) = e(g,h)^{x(y+z)} = e(u,vw)$$

$$e(u,v^{a})e(u^{b},v) = e(u,v)^{a}e(u,v)^{b} = e(u,v)^{a+b}$$

$$e(g^{a},v^{-b})e(f,w)e(u,v)^{c} = e(g,v)^{-ab}e(g^{x},v)^{c}e(f,w) = e(g^{-ab}u^{c},v)e(f,w)$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^{n} e(u^{a},v_{i}^{b})^{\frac{c_{i}}{ab}} = \prod_{i=1}^{n} e(u,v_{i})^{ab\cdot\frac{c_{i}}{ab}} = \prod_{i=1}^{n} e(u,v_{i})^{c_{i}} = e(u,\prod_{i=1}^{n}v_{i}^{c_{i}})$$

Show that if e(u, v) = 1 then u = 1 or v = 1

 $e(u,v)=e(g^x,h^y)=e(g,h)^{xy}$  is the same as  $1=e(g,h)^0$ Since  $e(g,h)\neq 1$  it generates  $G_T$  so we have xy=0 implying x=0 or y=0



#### **Decisional Diffie-Hellman assumption**

- We will assume the DDH problem is hard in both  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ 
  - Also known as the Symmetric External DH (SXDH) assumption
- The DDH assumption in  $G_1$  over setup  $(p, G_1, G_2, G_T, e, g, h)$ 
  - Define for adversary *A* the following experiment

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b \leftarrow \{0,1\}
x, y, z \leftarrow \mathbf{Z}_p^*
u = g^x, v = g^y
w = g^{bxy+(1-b)z}
b^* \leftarrow A(p, G_1, G_2, G_T, e, g, h, u, v, w)
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- The assumption says that for any realistic (computationally bounded) adversary  $\Pr[b=b^*] \approx \frac{1}{2}$
- The DDH assumption in  $G_2$  over setup  $(p, G_1, G_2, G_T, e, g, h)$  is defined similarly



### **ElGamal encryption**

- Key generation in group  $G_1$  assuming setup  $(p, G_1, G_2, G_T, e, g, h)$ 
  - Pick  $x \leftarrow Z_p$  and let this be the secret key. Let the public key be  $y = g^x$
- Encryption of  $m \in G_1$ 
  - Pick  $r \leftarrow Z_p$  and return ciphertext  $c = \text{Enc}(y, m; r) := (g^r, y^r m)$
- Decryption of  $c = (u, v) \in G_1^2$ 
  - Return plaintext  $m = Dec(x, u, v) := vu^{-x}$
- IND-CPA secure under DDH assumption in G<sub>1</sub>
- ElGamal encryption in  $G_2$  similar



# Pairing-based proofs

Statements we want to prove



### **Groth-Sahai proofs**

- Two computationally indistinguishable types of common reference string
  - Binding common reference string
    - Perfect completeness
    - Perfect soundness
  - Hiding common reference string
    - Perfect completeness
    - Perfect zero-knowledge

$$g, u, g', u' \in G_1, h, v, h', v' \in G_2$$



$$g, u, g', u' \in G_1, h, v, h', v' \in G_2$$

#### **Statements**



- Instance  $\phi = \{eq_1, ..., eq_q\}$ , equations over variables  $X_i \in G_1, Y_j \in G_2, x_i, y_j \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 
  - Pairing product equation defined by  $A_j \in G_1$ ,  $B_i \in G_2$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

$$\prod_{j\in[n]} e(A_j, Y_j) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} e(X_i, B_i) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} \prod_{j\in[n]} e(X_i, Y_j)^{\gamma_{ij}} = 1$$

 $\circ$  Multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_1$  defined by  $A_i, T \in G_1, b_i, \gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  (analogous for  $G_2$ )

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} A_j^{y_j} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} X_i^{b_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} X_i^{\gamma_{ij}y_j} = T$$

• Quadratic equations defined by  $a_j, b_i, \gamma_{ij}, t \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

$$\sum_{j \in [n']} a_j y_j + \sum_{i \in [m']} x_i b_i + \sum_{i \in [m']} \sum_{j \in [n']} x_i \gamma_{ij} y_j = t$$

• Witness  $X_1, ..., X_m \in G_1, Y_1, ..., Y_n \in G_2, x_1, ..., x_{m'}, y_1, ..., y_{n'} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$  satisfying all  $eq_k$ 

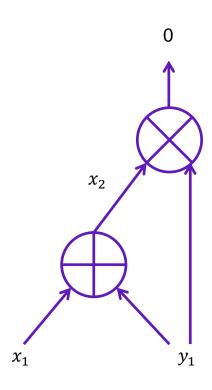


#### **NP** completeness

- SAT formula  $\phi$ :  $(x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor x_3) \land (\neg x_3 \lor x_4 \lor x_5) \land \cdots$
- Witness  $x_1 = \text{true}, x_2 = \text{false},...$
- Can rewrite  $\phi$  as a set of quadratic equations
  - $\circ$  Encode true as 1 and false as 0 in  $Z_p$
  - For each variable  $x_i$  have the quadratic equations  $x_i \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot y_i = 0$  and  $x_i \cdot 1 + x_i \cdot y_i = 0$ The first equation gives us  $y_i = -x_i$ The second equation gives us  $x_i \cdot (1 - x_i) = 0$  so  $x_i \in \{0,1\}$ , i.e., it encodes true or false
  - Translate each clause into a quadratic equation that involves an extra variable y' Example  $(x_1 + (1 x_2) + x_3) \cdot y_1' = 1$ ,  $((1 x_3) + x_4 + x_5) \cdot y_2' = 1$ , ... Such inverses  $y_1', y_2'$ , ... exist in  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  if and only if the clauses are satisfied



#### **Arithmetic circuit**



- Arithmetic circuit over Z<sub>p</sub>
- Instance describes circuit wiring, gates and some of the inputs and outputs
- Witness is values on the wires that satisfy all gates
- Can reduce an arithmetic circuit to quadratic equations

$$x_1 \cdot 1 + x_2 \cdot (-1) + 1 \cdot y_1 = 0$$
  
$$x_2 \cdot y_1 = 0$$



#### **Practical cryptography**

- When constructing cryptographic protocols more likely to encounter statement like "This is a ciphertext encrypting a signature on m"
  - Suppose we have an ElGamal ciphertext  $(u, v) \in G_1$  under public key  $y \in G_1$
  - Suppose the claim is it encrypts a weak Boneh-Boyen signature  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  of the form  $\sigma = g^{\frac{1}{x+m}}$ , which satisfies the verification equation  $e(\sigma, wh^m) = e(g, h)$  where the public key is  $w = h^x$
  - o Instance defined by setup  $(p, G_1, G_2, G_T, e, g, h)$  and  $u, v, y \in G_1, w \in G_2, m \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ Witness is randomness  $r \in \mathbf{Z}_p$  used in encryption and secret signature  $\sigma \in G_1$

#### Exercise

• Rewrite statement as a set of pairing-product, multi-exponentiation and quadratic equations



#### A solution

- Equations over variables  $\sigma, f \in G_1, r \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ 
  - Pairing-product equation defined by  $wh^m$ ,  $h \in G_2$  $e(\sigma, wh^m)e(f, h) = 1$
  - Multi-exponentiation equations

$$f^{1} = g^{-1}$$
$$g^{r} = u$$
$$y^{r}\sigma = v$$

• When all equations satisfied, then indeed (u,v) is an ElGamal ciphertext encrypting a weak Boneh-Boyen signature  $\sigma$  on  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  satisfying the verification equation  $e(\sigma, wh^m) = e(g,h)$ 

Why not  $e(g, wh^m) = e(g, h)$ ? Because Groth-Sahai proofs only guarantee zero-knowledge when the target element is 1 (Can be generalized to ZK for this equation though [G-Escala 2013])

Writing the top equation in full, it is  $1^r \cdot \sigma^0 f^1 \cdot \sigma^{0r} f^{0r} = g^{-1}$  where with the previous notation  $A_1 = 1, b_1 = 0, b_2 = 1$   $\gamma_{11} = 0, \gamma_{12} = 0, T = g^{-1}$ 



## A warm-up proof system

Perfect soundness, but modest privacy



#### **Extended bilinear map**

• We define an extended map  $E: G_1^2 \times G_2^2 \to G_T^4$  by

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right) = \begin{pmatrix} e(c_1, d_1) & e(c_1, d_2) \\ e(c_2, d_1) & e(c_2, d_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

- Exercise
  - O Show the map is bilinear on the left hand side, i.e.,

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right) E\left(\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right)$$

using entry-wise product for the vectors and matrices

And the same for the right hand side



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- Exercise solution
  - O Show the map is bilinear on the left hand side, i.e.,

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right) = \begin{pmatrix} e(a_1b_1, d_1) & e(a_1b_1, d_2) \\ e(a_2b_2, d_1) & e(a_2b_2, d_2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e(a_1, d_1)e(b_1, d_1) & e(a_1, d_2)e(b_1, d_2) \\ e(a_2, d_1)e(b_2, d_2) & e(a_2, d_2)e(b_2, d_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} e(a_1, d_1) & e(a_1, d_2) \\ e(a_2, d_1) & e(a_2, d_2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e(b_1, d_1) & e(b_1, d_2) \\ e(b_2, d_1) & e(b_2, d_2) \end{pmatrix} = E\left(\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right) E\left(\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right)$$
using entry-wise product for the vectors and matrices



#### Warm-up proof system

- Common reference string consists of setup and random  $u \in G_1$ ,  $v \in G_2$
- Suppose we have an instance with a single pairing-product equation e(X,Y) = T
- The prover encrypts X as  $(c_1, c_2) = (g^r, u^r X)$  and Y as  $(d_1, d_2) = (h^s, v^s Y)$
- Let us apply the extended bilinear product to the ciphertexts

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix} g \\ u \end{pmatrix}^r \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right)$$
$$= E\left(\begin{pmatrix} g \\ u \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2)^r \right) E\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right)$$



#### Warm-up proof system

$$\begin{split} &= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (d_1, d_2)^r\right) E\left(\binom{1}{X}, (h, v)^s (1, Y)\right) \\ &= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (d_1, d_2)^r\right) E\left(\binom{1}{X}^s, (h, v)\right) E\left(\binom{1}{X}, (1, Y)\right) \\ &= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (d_1, d_2)^r (h, v)^t\right) E\left(\binom{1}{X}^s \binom{g}{u}^{-t}, (h, v)\right) \binom{1}{1} \quad \frac{1}{e(X, Y)} \\ \text{using random } t \leftarrow \mathbf{Z}_p \end{split}$$

• The prover sets  $(\pi_1, \pi_2) = (d_1^r h^t, d_2^r v^t)$  and  $(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (g^{-t}, Xu^{-t})$  and returns the full proof  $(c_1, c_2, d_1, d_2, \pi_1, \pi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2)$ 



#### **Verification**

• The verifier given the proof  $(c_1, c_2, d_1, d_2, \pi_1, \pi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2)$  for e(X, Y) = T accepts if and only if

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix}c_1\\c_2\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)\right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g\\u\end{pmatrix},(\pi_1,\pi_2)\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}\theta_1\\\theta_2\end{pmatrix},(h,v)\right)\begin{pmatrix}1&1\\1&T\end{pmatrix}$$

- Perfect completeness when e(X,Y) = T follows from the calculations
- Exercise
  - Show that the proof system gives a proof of knowledge of X, Y such that e(X, Y) = T
  - Hint: suppose you know the knowledge extraction keys a, b such that  $u = g^a, v = h^b$ . Now decrypt the columns with a and the rows with b



### Knowledge soundness

#### Solution

- Let us define the knowledge extractor to return  $X = c_1^{-a}c_2$  and  $Y = d_1^{-b}d_2$
- Recall that by definition

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right) = \begin{pmatrix} e(c_1, d_1) & e(c_1, d_2) \\ e(c_2, d_1) & e(c_2, d_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

• Decrypting the columns with  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  gives us

$$\left(e(c_1,d_1)^{-a}e(c_2,d_1),e(c_1,d_2)^{-a}e(c_2,d_2)\right) = \left(e(c_1^{-a}c_2,d_1),e(c_1^{-a}c_2,d_2)\right)$$

Obecrypting the row with  $b \in Z_p$  gives us

$$e(c_1^{-a}c_2, d_1)^{-b}e(c_1^{-a}c_2, d_2) = e(c_1^{-a}c_2, d_1^{-b}d_2)$$

 $\circ$  So vertical and horizontal decryption gives us e(X,Y)



#### Analyzing the verification equation

• The verification equation is

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix}c_1\\c_2\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)\right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g\\u\end{pmatrix},(\pi_1,\pi_2)\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}\theta_1\\\theta_2\end{pmatrix},(h,v)\right)\begin{pmatrix}1&1\\1&T\end{pmatrix}$$

- We just saw the left hand side decrypts to e(X, Y)
- The matrix  $E\left(\begin{pmatrix} g \\ u \end{pmatrix}, (\pi_1, \pi_2)\right)$  decrypts to  $e\left(g^{-a}u, \pi_1^{-b}\pi_2\right) = e\left(1, \pi_1^{-b}\pi_2\right) = 1$
- The matrix  $E\left(\begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{pmatrix}, (h, v)\right)$  decrypts to  $e\left(\theta_1^{-a}\theta_2, h^{-b}v\right) = e\left(\theta_1^{-a}\theta_2, 1\right) = 1$
- And the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & T \end{pmatrix}$  decrypts to T so we get  $e(X,Y) = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot T$



#### Generalizing to more complex equation

• For a pairing-product equation defined by  $A_i \in G_1$ ,  $B_i \in G_2$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ ,  $T \in G_T$ 

$$\prod_{j\in[n]} e(A_j, Y_j) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} e(X_i, B_i) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} \prod_{j\in[n]} e(X_i, Y_j)^{\gamma_{ij}} = T$$

The prover ElGamal encrypts each variable

$$(c_{1,i}, c_{2,i}) = (g^{r_i}, u^{r_i}X)$$
  $(d_{j,1}, d_{j,2}) = (h^{s_j}, v^{s_j}Y_j)$ 

The prover computes

$$(\pi_1, \pi_2) = \prod_{i \in [m]} (1, B_i)^{r_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n]} (d_{j,1}, d_{j,2})^{\gamma_{ij} r_i} \cdot (h, v)^{-t}$$

$$(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \prod_{i \in [n]} (1, A_i)^{s_j} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n]} (1, X_i)^{\gamma_{ij}} \cdot (g, u)^t$$



#### Generalizing to more complex equation

The verifier accepts the proof if and only if

$$\prod_{j \in [n]} E\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ A_j \end{pmatrix}, (d_{j,1}, d_{j,2})\right) \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} E\left(\begin{pmatrix} c_{1,i} \\ c_{2,i} \end{pmatrix}, (1, B_j)\right) \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n]} E\left(\begin{pmatrix} c_{1,i} \\ c_{2,i} \end{pmatrix}, (d_{j,1}, d_{j,2})\right)^{\gamma_{ij}}$$

$$= E\left(\begin{pmatrix} g \\ u \end{pmatrix}, (\pi_1, \pi_2)\right) \cdot E\left(\begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{pmatrix}, (h, v)\right) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & T \end{pmatrix}$$

- Perfect completeness
  - Many calculations, home exercise
- Perfect soundness
  - Proof of knowledge, as before by decrypting on both dimensions

### Multi-exponentiation equations



• Multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_1$  defined by  $A_j$ ,  $T \in G_1$ ,  $b_i$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} A_j^{\gamma_j} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} X_i^{b_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} X_i^{\gamma_{ij}\gamma_j} = T$$

Can be mapped to pairing product equation by instead proving

$$\prod_{j\in[n']}e(A_j,h^{y_j})\cdot\prod_{i\in[m]}e(X_i,h^{b_i})\cdot\prod_{i\in[m]}\prod_{j\in[n']}e(X_i,h^{y_j})^{\gamma_{ij}}=e(T,h)$$

• Multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_2$  similar

### **Quadratic equations**



• Quadratic equation defined by  $a_i$ ,  $b_i$ ,  $\gamma_{ij}$ ,  $t \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

$$\sum_{j\in[n']}a_jy_j+\sum_{i\in[m']}x_ib_i+\sum_{i\in[m']}\sum_{j\in[n']}x_i\gamma_{ij}y_j=t$$

Can be mapped to pairing product equation by instead proving

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} e(g^{a_j}, h^{y_j}) \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} e(g^{x_i}, h^{b_i}) \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} e(g^{x_i}, h^{y_j})^{\gamma_{ij}} = e(g, h)^t$$

#### Multiple equations



- Instance  $\phi = \{eq_1, ..., eq_q\}$ , equations over variables  $X_i \in G_1, Y_j \in G_2, x_i, y_j \in \mathbf{Z}_p$
- Witness  $X_1, \dots, X_m \in G_1, Y_1, \dots, Y_n \in G_2, x_1, \dots, x_{m'}, y_1, \dots, y_{n'} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$  satisfying all  $eq_k$
- The prover encrypts all variables in the witness as

$$(c_{1,i}, c_{2,i}) = (g^{r_i}, u^{r_i} X_i)$$

$$(d_{j,1}, d_{j,2}) = (h^{s_j}, v^{s_j} Y_j)$$

$$(c'_{1,i}, c'_{2,i}) = (g^{r'_i}, u^{r'_i} g^{x_i})$$

$$(d'_{j,1}, d'_{j,2}) = (h^{s'_j}, v^{s'_j} Y_j)$$

- For each equation  $eq_k$  the prover generates proof elements  $\pi_{k,1}$ ,  $\pi_{k,2}$ ,  $\theta_{k,1}$ ,  $\theta_{k,2}$
- The full proof for all equations being simultaneously satisfiable is  $(c_{1,1}, ..., \theta_{q,2})$
- The verifier checks verification equations for k = 1, ..., q
  - Note the verification equations reuse the commitments  $(c_{1,1}, c_{2,1}, ..., d'_{n',1}, d'_{n',2})$  to variables but each equation has a separate quadruple  $(\pi_{k,1}, \pi_{k,2}, \theta_{k,1}, \theta_{k,2})$



### **Security**

- Perfect completeness
- Perfect soundness
  - Each commitment decrypts to unique  $X_i$ ,  $Y_j$  or  $g^{x_i}$ ,  $h^{y_j}$
  - Decrypting the verification equations horizontally and vertically shows each equation satisfied
- Privacy?
  - Witness-indistinguishable in the generic group model where attacker can only do generic group operations [Deshpande-G-Smeets]
  - Provably not zero-knowledge in the generic group model [Deshpande-G-Smeets]
- But we want zero-knowledge under standard assumptions (DDH)!



# Groth-Sahai proofs

Soundness and witnessindistinguishability/zero-knowledge



#### **Commitments**

- Let us extend the setup to include  $g, u, g', u' \in G_1, h, v, h', v' \in G_2$
- Now the prover will make commitments to  $X \in G_1$  and  $Y \in G_2$  of the form

$$\left(g^r(g')^{r'}, u^r(u')^{r'}X\right)$$
 and  $\left(h^s(h')^{s'}, v^s(v')^{s'}Y\right)$ 

- More precisely, for  $X \in G_1$  the prover picks random  $r, r' \leftarrow \mathbf{Z}_p$  and computes a commitment as  $(c_1, c_2) = (g, u)^r (g', u')^{r'} (1, X)$
- The core observation to make is that we can now have two setups
  - Binding setup  $(g', u') = (g^{\alpha}, u^{\alpha})$
  - Hiding setup  $(g', u') = (g^{\alpha}, u^{\alpha}g^{-1})$



Indistinguishable under DDH

Exercise: Show commitments are perfectly binding and hiding, respectively



#### **Commitments**

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- We now have two computationally indistinguishable setups
  - Binding setup  $(g', u') = (g^{\alpha}, u^{\alpha})$
  - Hiding setup  $(g', u') = (g^{\alpha}, u^{\alpha}g^{-1})$
- Exercise solution
  - In the binding setup  $(c_1, c_2) = (g^{r+\alpha r'}, u^{r+\alpha r'}X)$  embeds unique X
  - In the hiding setup  $(c_1,c_2)=\left(g^{r+\alpha r'},u^{r+\alpha r'}\left(g^{-r'}X\right)\right)$  is random for all X



#### **Proof example**

- Common reference string with  $g, u, g', u' \in G_1, h, v, h', v' \in G_2$
- Suppose we have an instance with a single pairing-product equation e(X,Y) = T
- Prover commits to X and Y as

$$(c_1, c_2) = (g^r(g')^{r'}, u^r(u')^{r'}X)$$
 and  $(d_1, d_2) = (h^s(h')^{s'}, v^s(v')^{s'}Y)$ 

Let us apply the extended bilinear map to the commitments

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix}c_1\\c_2\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)\right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g\\u\end{pmatrix}^r\begin{pmatrix}g'\\u'\end{pmatrix}^{r'}\begin{pmatrix}1\\X\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)\right)$$
$$= E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g\\u\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)^r\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g'\\u'\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)^{r'}\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}1\\X\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)\right)$$



### **Proof example**

$$\begin{split} &= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (d_1, d_2)^r\right) E\left(\binom{g'}{u'}, (d_1, d_2)^{r'}\right) E\left(\binom{1}{X}, (h, v)^s (h', v')^{s'} (1, Y)\right) \\ &= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (d_1, d_2)^r\right) E\left(\binom{g'}{u'}, (d_1, d_2)^{r'}\right) E\left(\binom{1}{X}^s, (h, v)\right) E\left(\binom{1}{X}^{s'}, (h', v')\right) E\left(\binom{1}{X}, (1, Y)\right) \\ &= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (\pi_1, \pi_2)\right) E\left(\binom{g'}{u'}, (\pi_1', \pi_2')\right) E\left(\binom{\theta_1}{\theta_2}, (h, v)\right) E\left(\binom{\theta_1'}{\theta_2'}, (h', v')\right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & e(X, Y) \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

• The proof elements are then randomized using  $t, t', t'', t''' \leftarrow \mathbf{Z}_p$   $(\pi_1, \pi_2) \mapsto (\pi_1, \pi_2)(h, v)^t (h', v')^{t'} \qquad (\theta_1, \theta_2) \mapsto (\theta_1, \theta_2)(g, u)^{-t} (g', u')^{-t''}$   $(\pi'_1, \pi'_2) \mapsto (\pi'_1, \pi'_2)(h, v)^{t''} (h', v')^{t'''} \qquad (\theta'_1, \theta'_2) \mapsto (\theta'_1, \theta'_2)(g, u)^{-t'} (g', u')^{-t'''}$ 



#### **Security**

• The verifier given the proof  $(c_1, c_2, d_1, d_2, \pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_1', \pi_2', \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_1', \theta_2')$  for e(X, Y) = T accepts if and only if

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix}c_1\\c_2\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)\right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g\\u\end{pmatrix},(\pi_1,\pi_2)\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g'\\u'\end{pmatrix},(\pi_1',\pi_2')\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}\theta_1\\\theta_2\end{pmatrix},(h,v)\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}\theta_1'\\\theta_2'\end{pmatrix},(h',v')\right)\begin{pmatrix}1&1\\1&T\end{pmatrix}$$

- Perfect completeness when e(X,Y) = T follows from the calculations
- On a binding setup, where  $(g', u') = (g, u)^{\alpha}$  and  $(h', v') = (h, v)^{\beta}$ , decryption vertically and horizontally shows the proof system is perfectly sound

# **Privacy**



- On a hiding setup, where  $(g', u') = (g^{\alpha}, u^{\alpha}g^{-1})$  and  $(h', v') = (h^{\beta}, v^{\beta}h^{-1})$ , the proof system is perfectly witness indistinguishable
  - Commitments  $(c_1, c_2), (d_1, d_2)$  are uniformly random
  - Proof elements  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi'_1, \pi'_2$  are uniformly random due to the rerandomization
  - $\circ$  Conditioned on these the verification equation uniquely determines  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$ ,  $\theta_1'$ ,  $\theta_2'$
  - So impossible to tell whether the prover used a witness (X,Y) such that e(X,Y)=T or used another witness (X',Y') also satisfying e(X',Y')=T
- What about zero-knowledge? Given *T* can we simulate a proof?
  - Hard in general, given arbitrary T it is infeasible to find solution to  $\prod_{i=1}^{n} e(A_i, B_i) = T$  so the simulator cannot satisfy the verification equation
  - O But if T = 1 the problem is easy, just pick X = 1, Y = 1 and we have e(X, Y) = TAnd because the proof is witness indistinguishable, this witness is as good as any other

# Statements - witness indistinguishability



- Instance  $\phi = \{eq_1, ..., eq_q\}$ , equations over variables  $X_i \in G_1, Y_j \in G_2, x_i, y_j \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 
  - Pairing product equation defined by  $A_i \in G_1$ ,  $B_i \in G_2$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

$$\prod_{j\in[n]} e(A_j, Y_j) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} e(X_i, B_i) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} \prod_{j\in[n]} e(X_i, Y_j)^{\gamma_{ij}} = T$$

• Multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_1$  defined by  $A_i, T \in G_1, b_i, \gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  (analogous for  $G_2$ )

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} A_j^{y_j} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} X_i^{b_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} X_i^{\gamma_{ij}y_j} = T$$

• Quadratic equations defined by  $a_j, b_i, \gamma_{ij}, t \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

$$\sum_{j \in [n']} a_j y_j + \sum_{i \in [m']} x_i b_i + \sum_{i \in [m']} \sum_{j \in [n']} x_i \gamma_{ij} y_j = t$$

• Witness  $X_1, \dots, X_m \in G_1, Y_1, \dots, Y_n \in G_2, x_1, \dots, x_{m'}, y_1, \dots, y_{n'} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$  satisfying all  $eq_k$ 

### Statements – zero-knowledge



- Instance  $\phi = \{eq_1, ..., eq_q\}$ , equations over variables  $X_i \in G_1, Y_j \in G_2, x_i, y_j \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 
  - Pairing product equation defined by  $A_i \in G_1$ ,  $B_i \in G_2$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

$$\prod_{j\in[n]} e(A_j, Y_j) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} e(X_i, B_i) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} \prod_{j\in[n]} e(X_i, Y_j)^{\gamma_{ij}} = 1$$



• Multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_1$  defined by  $A_j, T \in G_1, b_i, \gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ 

(analogous for  $G_2$ )

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} A_j^{y_j} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} X_i^{b_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} X_i^{\gamma_{ij}y_j} = T$$

• Quadratic equations defined by  $a_j, b_i, \gamma_{ij}, t \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

$$\sum_{j \in [n']} a_j y_j + \sum_{i \in [m']} x_i b_i + \sum_{i \in [m']} \sum_{j \in [n']} x_i \gamma_{ij} y_j = t$$

• Witness  $X_1, ..., X_m \in G_1, Y_1, ..., Y_n \in G_2, x_1, ..., x_{m'}, y_1, ..., y_{n'} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$  satisfying all  $eq_k$ 



#### Commitments to field elements

- Setup includes  $g, u, g', u' \in G_1, h, v, h', v' \in G_2$
- Now the prover will make commitments to  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  and  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  of the form  $(q^{r}(q')^{x}, u^{r}(u'q)^{x})$  and  $(h^{s}(h')^{y}, v^{s}(v'q)^{x})$
- More precisely, for  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  the prover picks random  $r \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$  and computes a commitment as  $(c_1, c_2) = (g, u)^r (g', u'g)^x$
- Recall the two setups
  - Binding setup  $(g', u') = (g^{\alpha}, u^{\alpha})$
  - Hiding setup  $(g', u') = (g^{\alpha}, u^{\alpha}g^{-1})$



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- So on binding setup  $(c_1, c_2) = (g^{r+\alpha x}, u^{r+\alpha x} g^x)$ , an encryption of  $g^x$
- And on hiding setup  $(c_1, c_2) = (g^{r+\alpha x}, u^{r+\alpha x})$ , where r perfectly hides x



### Proof example for quadratic equation

- Common reference string with  $g, u, g', u' \in G_1, h, v, h', v' \in G_2$
- Suppose we have an instance with a single quadratic equation

$$xy = t$$

Prover commits to x, y as

$$(c_1, c_2) = (g^r(g')^x, u^r(u'g)^x)$$
 and  $(d_1, d_2) = (h^s(h')^y, v^s(v'h)^y)$ 

• Let us apply the extended bilinear map to the commitments

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2) \right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix} g \\ u \end{pmatrix}^r \begin{pmatrix} g' \\ u'g \end{pmatrix}^x, (d_1, d_2) \right)$$
$$= E\left(\begin{pmatrix} g \\ u \end{pmatrix}, (d_1, d_2)^r \right) E\left(\begin{pmatrix} g' \\ u'g \end{pmatrix}^x, (d_1, d_2) \right)$$



### **Proof example**

$$= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (d_1, d_2)^r\right) E\left(\binom{g'}{u'g}^x, (h, v)^s (h', v'h)^y\right)$$

$$= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (d_1, d_2)^r\right) E\left(\binom{g'}{u'g}^{xs}, (h, v)\right) E\left(\binom{g'}{u'g}^x, (h', v'h)^y\right)$$

$$= E\left(\binom{g}{u}, (d_1, d_2)^r (h, v)^t\right) E\left(\binom{g'}{u'g}^{xs} \binom{g}{u}^{-t}, (h, v)\right) E\left(\binom{g'}{u'g}, (h', v'h)\right)^{xy}$$
for any  $t \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

• The prover computes the proof elements as (using uniformly random  $t \leftarrow \mathbf{Z}_p$ )  $(\pi_1, \pi_2) = (d_1, d_2)^r (h, v)^t$  and  $(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (g', u'g)^{xs} (g, u)^{-t}$ 



#### **Verification**

• The verifier given the proof  $(c_1, c_2, d_1, d_2, \pi_1, \pi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2)$  for xy = t accepts if and only if

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix}c_1\\c_2\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)\right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g\\u\end{pmatrix},(\pi_1,\pi_2)\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}\theta_1\\\theta_2\end{pmatrix},(h,v)\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g'\\u'g\end{pmatrix},(h',v'h)\right)^{t}$$

- Perfect completeness when xy = t follows from the calculations
- On a binding setup, where  $(g', u') = (g, u)^{\alpha}$  and  $(h', v') = (h, v)^{\beta}$ , decryption vertically and horizontally shows the proof system is perfectly sound
  - o It is not a proof of knowledge though, decryption gives you  $g^x$  and  $h^y$  instead of x, yTake for instance  $(c_1, c_2) = (g^r(g')^x, u^r(u'g)^x) = (g^{r+\alpha x}, u^{r+\alpha x}g^x)$  and all you get is  $g^x$



### Witness indistinguishability

- On a hiding setup, where  $(g', u') = (g^{\alpha}, u^{\alpha}g^{-1})$  and  $(h', v') = (h^{\beta}, v^{\beta}h^{-1})$ , the proof system is perfectly witness indistinguishable
  - Commitments  $(c_1, c_2)$ ,  $(d_1, d_2)$  are uniformly random
  - The proof elements  $\pi_1$ ,  $\pi_2$ ,  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$  are uniformly random conditioned on satisfying the verification equation

$$E\left(\begin{pmatrix}c_1\\c_2\end{pmatrix},(d_1,d_2)\right) = E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g\\u\end{pmatrix},(\pi_1,\pi_2)\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}\theta_1\\\theta_2\end{pmatrix},(h,v)\right)E\left(\begin{pmatrix}g'\\u'g\end{pmatrix},(h',v'h)\right)^t$$

- Randomization  $((\pi_1, \pi_2) = (d_1, d_2)^r (h, v)^t)$  makes  $\pi_1$  uniformly random
- The top left corner of the verification equation then uniquely determines  $\theta_1$ , the bottom left corner uniquely determines  $\theta_2$ , and now the right top corner uniquely determines  $\pi_2$

#### **Proof size**



- The common reference string has 8 elements  $g, u, g', u' \in G_1, h, v, h', v' \in G_2$
- For a system of equations  $\{eq_1, ..., eq_q\}$  over variables  $X_i, Y_j, x_i, y_j$

Variable/equation	Elements in G <sub>1</sub>	Elements in G <sub>2</sub>
$X \in G_1, x \in \mathbf{Z}_p$	2	0
$Y \in G_2, y \in \mathbf{Z}_p$	0	2
Pairing product	4	4
Multi-exponentiation in $G_1$	2	4
Multi-exponentiation in $G_2$	4	2
Quadratic	2	2

- Proofs may in some cases be smaller than the instance
  - For instance for q pairing-product equations over  $X_1, \dots, X_m, Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  with many non-trivial  $\gamma_{ij}$  instance size is around mnq and proof size is 2m + 2n + 8q

# Statements - witness indistinguishability



- Instance  $\phi = \{eq_1, ..., eq_q\}$ , equations over variables  $X_i \in G_1, Y_j \in G_2, x_i, y_j \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 
  - Pairing product equation defined by  $A_i \in G_1$ ,  $B_i \in G_2$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

$$\prod_{j\in[n]} e(A_j, Y_j) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} e(X_i, B_i) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} \prod_{j\in[n]} e(X_i, Y_j)^{\gamma_{ij}} = T$$

• Multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_1$  defined by  $A_i, T \in G_1, b_i, \gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  (analogous for  $G_2$ )

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} A_j^{y_j} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} X_i^{b_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} X_i^{\gamma_{ij}y_j} = T$$

• Quadratic equations defined by  $a_j, b_i, \gamma_{ij}, t \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

$$\sum_{j \in [n']} a_j y_j + \sum_{i \in [m']} x_i b_i + \sum_{i \in [m']} \sum_{j \in [n']} x_i \gamma_{ij} y_j = t$$

• Witness  $X_1, \dots, X_m \in G_1, Y_1, \dots, Y_n \in G_2, x_1, \dots, x_{m'}, y_1, \dots, y_{n'} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$  satisfying all  $eq_k$ 

# Statements – zero-knowledge



- Instance  $\phi = \{eq_1, ..., eq_q\}$ , equations over variables  $X_i \in G_1, Y_j \in G_2, x_i, y_j \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 
  - Pairing product equation defined by  $A_i \in G_1$ ,  $B_i \in G_2$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

$$\prod_{j\in[n]} e(A_j, Y_j) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} e(X_i, B_i) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} \prod_{j\in[n]} e(X_i, Y_j)^{\gamma_{ij}} = 1$$



○ Multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_1$  defined by  $A_j$ ,  $T \in G_1$ ,  $b_i$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

(analogous for  $G_2$ )

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} A_j^{y_j} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} X_i^{b_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} X_i^{\gamma_{ij}y_j} = T$$

• Quadratic equations defined by  $a_j, b_i, \gamma_{ij}, t \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ 

$$\sum_{j \in [n']} a_j y_j + \sum_{i \in [m']} x_i b_i + \sum_{i \in [m']} \sum_{j \in [n']} x_i \gamma_{ij} y_j = t$$

• Witness  $X_1, \dots, X_m \in G_1, Y_1, \dots, Y_n \in G_2, x_1, \dots, x_{m'}, y_1, \dots, y_{n'} \in \mathbf{Z}_p$  satisfying all  $eq_k$ 



### Simulation strategy

Use trivial witness

$$X_1 = 1, ..., X_m = 1$$
  $Y_1 = 1, ..., Y_n = 1$   $x_1 = 0, ..., y_{n'} = 0$ 

Works well for the pairing-product equations

$$\prod_{j\in[n]} e(A_j, Y_j) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} e(X_i, B_i) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} \prod_{j\in[n]} e(X_i, Y_j)^{\gamma_{ij}} = 1$$

Maybe not so well for the other equations? For instance

$$\sum_{j \in [n']} a_j y_j + \sum_{i \in [m']} x_i b_i + \sum_{i \in [m']} \sum_{j \in [n']} x_i \gamma_{ij} y_j = t$$

with non-trivial  $t \neq 0$ 



# Zero-knowledge for non-trivial targets

• A quadratic equation with  $t \neq 0$  can be rewritten as

$$\sum_{j \in [n']} a_j y_j + \sum_{i \in [m']} x_i b_i + 1 \cdot (-t) + \sum_{i \in [m']} \sum_{j \in [n']} x_i \gamma_{ij} y_j = 0$$

- Observe  $(g', u'g) = (g, u)^0 (g', u'g)^1$  is commitment to 1 with r = 0
  - $\circ$  On a binding string (g', u'g) is perfectly binding to 1, so we have perfect soundness
  - On a hiding string,  $(g', u'g) = (g, u)^{\alpha}(g', u'g)^{0}$  so it is also a commitment to 0
    - The simulator can use  $x_1 = \cdots = y_{n'} = 0$  and "1 = 0" to simulate proof
    - By perfect witness indistinguishability, the simulated proof looks exactly like a real proof



# Zero-knowledge for non-trivial targets

• A multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_1$  with  $T \neq 1$  can be rewritten as

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} A_j^{y_j} \cdot (T^{-1})^1 \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} X_i^{b_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} X_i^{\gamma_{ij}y_j} = 1$$

- Using  $(h', v'h) = (h, v)^0 (h', v'h)^1$  is commitment to 1 with s = 0
  - o On a binding string it is unconditionally binding, so we have perfect soundness
  - On a hiding string also commitment to 0 since  $(h', v'h) = (h, v)^{\beta}(h', v'h)^{0}$ , so we can simulate a proof using the trapdoor  $\beta$
- Btw, the proofs you prove/simulate are exactly the same as in the WI case

# Statements – zero-knowledge



- Instance  $\phi = \{eq_1, ..., eq_q\}$ , equations over variables  $X_i \in G_1, Y_j \in G_2, x_i, y_j \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 
  - Pairing product equation defined by  $A_j \in G_1$ ,  $B_i \in G_2$ ,  $\gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

$$\prod_{j\in[n]} e(A_j, Y_j) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} e(X_i, B_i) \cdot \prod_{i\in[m]} \prod_{j\in[n]} e(X_i, Y_j)^{\gamma_{ij}} = 1$$

 $\circ$  Multi-exponentiation equation in  $G_1$  defined by  $A_j, T \in G_1, b_i, \gamma_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  (analogous for  $G_2$ )

$$\prod_{j \in [n']} A_j^{y_j} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} X_i^{b_i} \cdot \prod_{i \in [m]} \prod_{j \in [n']} X_i^{\gamma_{ij}y_j} = T$$

• Quadratic equations defined by  $a_j, b_i, \gamma_{ij}, t \in \mathbf{Z}_p$ 

$$\sum_{j \in [n']} a_j y_j + \sum_{i \in [m']} x_i b_i + \sum_{i \in [m']} \sum_{j \in [n']} x_i \gamma_{ij} y_j = t$$

• Simulate all proofs using  $X_i = 1$ ,  $Y_j = 1$ ,  $x_i = 0$ ,  $y_j = 0$  and trapdoors  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$