### A Composable Security Treatment of the Lightning Network

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Abstract—The high latency and low throughput of blockchain protocols constitute one of the fundamental barriers for their wider adoption. Overlay protocols, notably the lightning network, have been touted as the most viable direction for rectifying this in practice. In this work we present for the first time a full formalisation and security analysis of the lightning network in the (global) universal composition setting that leverages a global ledger functionality, for which realisability by the Bitcoin blockchain protocol has been demonstrated in previous work [Badertscher et al., Crypto'17]. As a result, our treatment delineates exactly how the security guarantees of the protocol depend on the properties of the underlying ledger and the frequent availability of the protocol participants. Moreover, we provide a complete and modular description of the core of the lightning protocol that highlights precisely its dependency to underlying basic cryptographic primitives such as igital signatures, pseudorandom functions, identity-based signatures and a less common two-party primitive, which we term a combined digital signature, that were originally hidden within the lightning protocol's implementation.

#### 1. Introduction

Improving the latency of blockchain protocols, in the sense of the time it takes for a transaction to be "finalised", as well as their throughput, in the sense of the number of transactions they can handle per unit of time, are perhaps the two most crucial open questions in the area of permissionless distributed ledgers and remain fundamental barriers for their wider adoption in applications that require large scale and reasonably expedient transaction processing, cf. [1]. The Bitcoin blockchain protocol, introduced by Nakamoto [2], provides settlement with probability of error that drops exponentially in the number of blocks k that accumulate over a transaction of interest. This has been informally argued in the original white paper, and further formally demonstrated in [3], from where it can be inferred that the total delay in actual time for a transaction to settle is linear in k in the worst case. These results were subsequently generalised to the setting of partial synchrony [4] and variable difficulty [5]. Interestingly, this latency "deficiency" is intrinsic to the blockchain approach (see below), i.e., latency's dependency on k is not a side-effect of the security analysis but rather a characteristic of the underlying protocol and the threat model it operates in.

Given the above state of affairs, one has to either change the underlying settlement protocol or devise some other mechanism that, in conjunction with the blockchain protocol, achieves high throughput and low latency. A number of works proceeded with the first direction, e.g., hybrid consensus [6], Algorand [7]. A downside of this approach is that the resulting protocols fundamentally change the threat model within which Bitcoin is supposed to operate, e.g., by reducing the threshold of corrupted players, strengthening the underlying cryptographic assumptions or complicating the setup assumption required (e.g., from a public to a private setup).

The alternative approach is to build an *overlay* protocol that utilises the blockchain protocol as a "fall back" layer and does not relax the threat model in any way while it facilitates fast "off-chain" settlement under certain additional assumptions. We note that in light of the impossibility result regarding protocol "responsiveness" from [6] that states that no protocol can provide settlement in time proportional to actual network delay (i.e., fast settlement) and provide a security threshold over 1/3, we know that maintaining Bitcoin's threat model will require some additional assumption for the overlay protocol to offer fast settlement.

The first instance of this approach and by far the most widely known and utilised to date, came with the lightning network [8]<sup>1</sup> that functions over the Bitcoin blockchain and leverages the concept of a bilateral payment channel. The latency for a transaction becomes linear to actual network delay and another factor that equals the number of bilateral payment channel hops in the path that connects the two end-points of the transaction. Implicated parties are guaranteed that, if they wish so, eventually the ledger will record a "gross" settlement transaction that reflects the balance resulting from all in-channel payments. Deviations from this guarantee are cryptographically feasible but deincentivised: a malicious party trying to commit to an outdated state

1. The specification available online is a more descriptive reference for the inner workings of the protocol, see https://github.com/lightningnetwork/lightning-rfc/blob/master/02-peer-protocol.md. See also the raiden network that implements Lightning over Ethereum, https://raiden.network.

will lose funds to a peer that provides evidence of a subsequent state. Moreover, note that no record of a specific payment transaction need ever appear on-chain thus the number of lightning transactions that can be exchanged can reach the maximum capacity the network allows between the parties, without being impeded by any restrictions of the underlying blockchain protocol.

The lightning network has been very influential in the space and spun a number of follow up research and implementations (see below for references). We note that the lightning network is not the only option for building an overlay over a blockchain. See e.g., [9] for an alternative approach focusing on reducing latency, where it is shown that if the assumption is raised to a security threshold of 3/4 plus the honesty of an additional special player, it is possible to obtain optimal latency. Nevertheless, this approach does not offer the throughput benefits that are intrinsic to the lightning network.

Despite the importance of the lightning network for blockchain scalability there is still no work so far providing a thorough formal security analysis. This is a dire state of affairs given the fact that the protocol is actually currently operational<sup>2</sup> and its complexity makes it difficult to extract precise statements regarding the level of security it offers.

Our Results. We present the first, to our knowledge, complete security analysis of the lightning network, which we carry out in the universal composition (UC) setting. We model the payment overlay that the lightning network provides as an ideal functionality and we demonstrate how it can be implemented in a hybrid world which assumes a global ledger functionality. Our treatment is general and does not assume any specific implementation for the underlying ledger functionality. The "paynet" functionality that we introduce abstracts all the salient security features achieved by the lightning network. We subsequently describe the whole lightning protocol in this setting and we prove that it realises our paynet functionality under standard cryptographic assumptions; the security guarantees of the functionality reflect specific environmental conditions regarding the availability of the honest parties to poll the status of the network. In more details our results are as follows.

1) We present the  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  functionality which abstracts the syntax and security properties provided by the lightning network. We describe our  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  assuming a global ledger functionality  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$  as defined in [10], and further refined in [11], which we know that is realised by the Bitcoin blockchain. Our approach not only captures lightning, but it is also general as it can be applied to any payment network by finely tuning the following parts of the functionality: the exact channel opening message sequence, the details of the on-chain checks per-

formed by  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$ , the negligence time bounds and the penalty in case of a malicious closure being caught. Using  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ , parties can open and close channels, forward payments along channel paths in the network as well as poll its status. Importantly, the functionality keeps track of all the off-chain and on-chain balances and ensures that when a channel closes, the on-chain balances are in line with the offchain ones. In order to handle realistic adversarial deviations,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  allows the adversary to choose one of the following outcomes for each multi-hop payment: (i) let it go through as requested, (ii) charge it to an adversarial party along the path, (iii) charge it to a *negligent* honest party along the path. This last outcome is a crucial security characteristic of the lightning network: honest parties are required to poll the functionality with a frequency that corresponds to their level of involvement in the network and the properties of the underlying ledger. If a party does not poll often enough,  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  identifies it as negligent and it may lose funds.

- We identify for the first time the exact polling requirements so that honest parties do not lose funds. as a function of the parameters of  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ . The polling requirements for each party are two-fold: (i) the first type refers to monitoring for closures of channels of which the party is a member, and is specified by the parameter "delay" (chosen by the party), (ii) the second type refers to monitoring for specific events related to receiving and relaying payments. In detail, let Alice be an intermediary of a multi-hop payment. When the payment starts, she specifies two blockheights h, h'. Also, let a be the upper bound to the number of blocks that may be finalised in the ledger from the time a certain transaction is emitted to the time it becomes finalised (i.e. it is included in a block in the "stable" part of the ledger). Alice should then poll twice while her local view of the chain advances from blockheight h to blockheight h'-a. Moreover, the two pollings should be separated by a time window so that the chain can grow by at least a blocks.
- 3) We provide a complete pseudocode description of the lightning network protocol  $\Pi_{LN}$  and prove that it realises  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  in the Random Oracle model. We identify a number of underlying cryptographic primitives that have been used in the lightning network in a non-black-box fashion and without reference. Interestingly, while most of these primitives are quite standard (a PRF, a Digital Signature scheme and an Identity Based Signature scheme), there is also one that is less standard and requires a new definition. The combined digital signature as we will call it – is a special case of an asymmetric two-party digital signature primitive (e.g., see [12] and references therein) with the following characteristic: One of the two parties, called the shareholder, generates and stores a share of the signing key.

<sup>2.</sup> For current deployment statistics see e.g., https://lml.com/statistics.

The public key of the combined signature can be determined non-interactively from public information produced by both parties. Issuing signatures requires the availability of the share, which is verifiable given the public information provided by the shareholder. We formalise the combined digital signature primitive and show that the construction lying within the lightning specification realises it under standard cryptographic assumptions. In summary, the realisation of  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  is achieved assuming the security of the underlying primitives, which in turn can be based on EC-DLOG and the Random Oracle model.

4) We prove that a more idealized ledger functionality, i.e. a ledger with instant finality, is unrealisable even assuming a synchronous multicast network. This result supports our decision to use the more realistic ledger functionality of [10], since it establishes that if our analysis was based on such a perfect ledger, it would not be relevant for any real world deployment of a payment network since such software would – necessarily – depend on a non-perfect ledger. This choice also distinguishes our work compared to previous attempts [13], [14], [15], [16] to formalize payment networks, as well as highlights the considerable latency improvement that the protocol offers in comparison to directly using the ledger.

Related Work. A first suggestion for building a unidirectional payment channel appeared in [17]. Bidirectional payment channels were developed in [18] and of course as part of the lightning network [8]. Subsequent work on the topic dealt with either improving payment networks by utilising more expressive blockchains such as Ethereum [16], hardware assumptions, see e.g., [19], or extending its functionality beyond payments, to smart contracts, [15] or finally enhancing their privacy, see e.g., [14], [20], [21]. Additional work looked into developing supporting protocols for the payment networks such as rebalancing [22] or finding routes in a decentralised fashion [23], [24]. With respect to idealising the payment network functionality in the UC setting, a number of previous papers [13], [14], [15], [16] presented ideal functionalities abstracting the concept, but they did not prove that the lightning network realises them. The main advantage of our approach however here is that, for the first time, we present a payment network functionality that interoperates with a global ledger functionality for which we know, in light of the results of [10], that is realisable by the Bitcoin blockchain and hence also reflects the actual parameters that can be enforced by the implementation and the exact participation conditions needed for security. In contrast, previous work [13], [14], [16] utilized "too idealised" ledger functionalities for their analysis which offer instant finality; as we prove in Theorem 3, a representative variant of these functionalities (Fig. 8) is unrealisable even under strong network assumptions (cf. Section 8). It is worth noting here that, were such a ledger realizable, layer-2 payment networks would not be as useful in practice because one of their two main motivations is the high latency of real blockchains. On the other hand, in [15] the ledger is not explicitly specified as a functionality, but only informally described. Several smart contracts are formally defined instead as UC ITMs, which are the entities with which protocols ultimately interact. The execution model of these contracts and their interaction with the blockchain is explained in an intuitive way, but a complete formalization of the ledger is missing. Lastly, the ledger used in [13] cannot be used directly by protocol parties, only accessed via higher-level functionalities. This limitation is imposed because otherwise any party could arbitrarily change the balances of other parties, given the definition of the functionality. This ledger is therefore a useful abstraction for higher-level protocols, but not amenable to direct usage, let alone concrete realisation.

**Organisation.** In Section 2 we present preliminaries for the model we employ and the relevant cryptographic primitives. In Section 3 we present an overview of the lightning network, accompanied by figures of the relevant transactions. Our payment network functionality is given an overview description in Section 4. Our abstraction of the core lightning protocol is provided in Section 5. We give more details about the combined digital signature primitive in Section 6. In Section 7 we provide an overview of the security proof of the main simulation theorem. Finally, in Section 8 we formalise our claim that a ledger functionality with instant finality is unrealisable. In the appendix, we first give more details on the preliminary primitives, specifically in Sections A,B,C we discuss digital signatures, identity based signatures and pseudorandom functions. Subsequently in Section D we go into more details about combined digital signatures. The transaction structure that is assumed to be recognised by the underlying distributed ledger is discussed in Section E. The paynet functionality is presented in detail in Section F. An exhaustive list of the data a channel party needs to keep is shown in Section G and the complete description of protocol  $\Pi_{LN}$  is presented in Section H. Further, the ledger functionality is presented in Section I. Subsequently the security proof of the payment channels is presented in Section J and finally we prove our claim on the unrealisability of a perfect ledger in Section K.

### 2. Preliminaries

In this section we give a brief overview of the tools and frameworks used in this work.

Universal Composability framework. In simulation-based security, cryptographic tasks are defined via an ideal "functionality"  $\mathcal{F}$ , which can be thought of as an uncorruptible entity that gets the inputs of all parties and returns the expected outputs while also interacting with the adversary in a prescribed manner. In this way, the functionality expresses the

essence of a cryptographic task and its security features. A protocol  $\Pi$  realises the functionality  $\mathcal{F}$  if for any real world adversary we can define a "simulator" S, acting as an ideal world adversary, such that any environment  $\mathcal{E}$  cannot distinguish between the real world and the ideal world executions. Albeit a powerful tool, simulation-based security only works when a single instance of the protocol is run in isolation. However, real-world systems almost always run several programs concurrently, which furthermore may run different instances of the same protocol. To facilitate this, the Universal Composability [25] framework allows us to analyse a single instance of the protocol and then take advantage of a generic composition theorem to infer the security of the protocol more broadly. This is achieved by allowing arbitrary interactions between the environment and the real-world adversary.

As mentioned, lightning network members have to periodically check the blockchain to ensure the security

of their funds. However, the execution model of the UC framework allows  $\mathcal{E}$  to impose extended periods of inactivity to any party. We opted to avoid the complication of using the clock functionality to force regular activation. Restricting the analysis only to environments that always cater for the needed activations would preclude the composability of our model. We instead allow  $\mathcal E$  to deny activation to players (therefore becoming negligent) and provide security guarantees conditional on  $\mathcal{E}$ permitting the necessary monitoring of the blockchain. Hybrid functionalities used. Both our main protocol and the corresponding functionality use  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  [10], [11] as a hybrid.  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  formalizes an ideal distributed append-only data structure akin to a blockchain. Any participating party can read from  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ , which returns an ordered list of transactions. Furthermore parties can submit new transactions which, if valid, will be added to the ledger and made visible to all parties at the discretion of the adversary, but necessarily within a predefined time window. This property is called liveness. Once a transaction is added to the ledger, it becomes visible to all parties at the discretion of the adversary, but within another predefined time window, and cannot be removed or reordered. This is called persistence. The exact definition can be found in Appendix I. The current work makes heavy use of these two security properties, as the security of the lightning network relies crucially on the security of the underlying ledger.

Furthermore,  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  needs the  $\mathcal{G}_{CLOCK}$  functionality, which models the notion of time. Every participating party can request to read the current time (which is initialized to 0) and inform  $\mathcal{G}_{CLOCK}$  that her round is over.  $\mathcal{G}_{CLOCK}$  increments the time by one once all parties have declared the end of their round.

As already mentioned, the protocol and functionality defined in the current work do not make direct use of  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{CLOCK}}$ . Indeed, the only notion of time both in the lightning protocol and in our work is provided by the height of the blockchain, as reported respectively by

the underlying Bitcoin node and  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ . We therefore omit it in the statements of Lemmas 4-8 and Theorem 2 for simplicity of notation; it should normally appear as hybrid along with  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ . Its exact definition can be found in Appendix I. We also note that  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  and  $\mathcal{G}_{CLOCK}$  are global functionalities [26] and therefore can be accessed directly by the environment, whereas  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  is not.

**Transaction structure.**  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  does not define what is a valid transaction, but leaves it as a system parameter. Importantly, no notion of coins is built in  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ . We therefore specify a valid transaction, closely following concepts put forth in Bitcoin [2], but avoiding specifying the entire Bitcoin script.

At a high level, every transaction consists of inputs and outputs. Each output has an associated value in coins and a number of "spending methods". A spending method specifies the exact requirements for spending the output. Each input must be connected to exactly one output and satisfy one of its spending methods.

Transactions in  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  form a DAG. A new transaction is valid only if each of its inputs correctly spends an output with no other connected input and the sum of the values of its outputs does not exceed the sum of the values of the outputs connected to its inputs. We refer the reader to Appendix E for a complete overview.

Cryptographic Primitives. In the Lightning Network specification, a custom scheme for deriving keys is used. Its syntax and security aims closely match those of previously studied Identity Based Signature schemes [27], [28], thus we use the latter to abstract away the complexity of the construction and highlight the security requirements it satisfies. We slightly modify previous IBS schemes by adding an algorithm that, on input of the public parameters mpk and a label l, returns the verification key  $pk_l$ . Such an IBS scheme provides 5 algorithms:

- $(mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{Setup}(1^k)$ : master keypair generation
- $(pk_l, sk_l) \leftarrow \text{KeyDer}(mpk, msk, l)$ : keypair derivation with label l
- $pk_l \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, l)$ : verification key derivation with label l
- $\sigma \leftarrow \text{Signibs}(m, sk_l)$ : signature generation with signing key  $sk_l$
- $\{0,1\} \leftarrow \text{VERIFYIBS}(\sigma, m, pk_l)$ : signature verification

We refer the reader to [28] for more details. Other cryptographic primitives used are digital signatures and pseudorandom functions, see Appendices A, B, and C. Finally, a less common two-party cryptographic primitive is employed that we formalise as *combined digital signatures*, see Section 6.

### 3. Lightning Network overview

Two-party channels. The aim of LN is to enable fast, cheap, off-chain transactions, without compromising se-

curity. Specifically no trust between counterparties is needed. This is achieved as follows: Two parties that plan to have recurring monetary exchanges lock up some funds with one special on-chain transaction. We say that they opened a new channel. They can then transact with the locked funds multiple times solely by interacting privately, without informing the blockchain. If they want to use their funds in the usual, on-chain way again, they have to close the channel and unlock the funds with one more on-chain transaction. Each party can unilaterally close the channel and retrieve the coins they are entitled to – according to the latest channel state – and thus neither party has to trust the other.

In more detail, to open a channel Alice and Bob first exchange a number of keys and desired timelocks  $relDel_A$ ,  $relDel_B$  (explained below) and then build locally some transactions. The "funding transaction" F contains a 2-of-2 multisig output with one "funding" public key  $pk_{F,A}$ ,  $pk_{F,B}$  for each counterparty. This multisig output needs signatures for both designated public keys in order to be spent. F is funded with  $c_F$  coins that belong only to one of the two parties, say Alice.

$$\longrightarrow \text{ funding } \xrightarrow{pk_{F,A} \land pk_{F,B}} \xrightarrow{c_F}$$

Figure 1. Funding TX (on-chain): Rules over, coins below output.

Each party also builds a slightly different version of the "commitment transaction"  $C_A, C_B$ . Alice uses her "delayed payment" key  $pk_{\text{dcom},A}$  and Bob's "revocation" key  $pk_{\text{rev},B}$  (received before), whereas Bob uses Alice's "payment" key  $pk_{\text{com},A}$  (received before). Both  $C_A$  and  $C_B$  spend the funding output of F and allow Alice to retrieve her funds if she acts honestly, as we will explain shortly. Alice sends Bob the signature of  $C_B$  made with her  $sk_{F,A}$  and vice-versa.

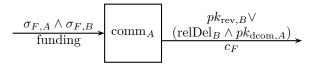


Figure 2. Alice's initial commitment TX (off-chain): Required data over input, spent output below input.

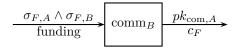


Figure 3. Bob's initial commitment TX (off-chain): All coins belong to Alice, so she can immediately spend them if Bob closes.

She now broadcasts F; once both parties see that it is confirmed, they generate and exchange new "commitment" keys (used for updating the channel later) and the channel is open.

Every time they want to make a payment to each other, they exchange a series of messages that have two effects. First, a new pair of commitment transactions, along with their signatures by the funding keys, is created, one for each counterparty. Each of these transactions ensures that, if broadcast, each party will be able to spend the appropriate share from the coins contained in the funding output. Second, the two old commitment transactions are revoked. This ensures that no party can close a channel using an old commitment transaction which may be more beneficial to her than the latest one.

Invalidating past commitments requires some care. The reason is that it is impossible to actually make past commitments invalid without spending the funding output on-chain; doing this for every update would however defeat the purpose of LN. The following idea is leveraged instead: If Alice broadcasts an old commitment and Bob sees it, he can punish Alice by taking all the money in the channel. Therefore Alice is technically able to broadcast an old commitment, but has no financial benefit in doing so. The same reasoning holds if Bob broadcasts an old commitment. On the donwside this imposes the requirement that parties must observe the blockchain periodically — see below the explanation of timelocks and how they facilitate a time window within which parties should react.

The punishing mechanism operates as follows. Suppose Alice considers posting her old local commitment which has an output that carries her old share of the funds. This output can be spent in two ways: either with a signature by Alice's "delayed payment" secret key  $sk_{\text{dcom},A}$  which is a usual ECDSA key, or with a signature by Bob's "revocation" secret key  $sk_{rev,B}$ , which is also an ECDSA key, but with an additional characteristic that we will explain soon. Thus, if Alice broadcasts an old commitment, Bob will be able to obtain her funds by spending her output using his "revocation" key. This privilege of course opens the possibility for Bob to abuse it (in particular, when a channel is closed — see below — Bob may steal Alice's funds by using such a revocation key) and hence this side effect should also be carefully mitigated. The mitigation has the following form. At the time of creation of a new commitment, both parties will know Bob's "revocation" public key  $pk_{rev,B}$ , but no party knows its corresponding secret – the key can only be computed by combining one secret value  $sk_{\text{com},n,A}$  that Alice knows and one secret value  $sk_{\text{com},n,B}$  that Bob knows. Alice therefore can prevent Bob from using his revocation key until she sends him  $sk_{\text{com},n,A}$ . Therefore, Alice will send Bob  $sk_{\text{com},n,A}$ only after the new commitment transaction is built and signed. Thus Bob cannot abuse his revocation key on a commitment before this transaction is revoked. We note that the underlying cryptographic mechanism that enables such "revocation keys" is not straightforward and, as part of our contributions, we formalise it as a new two-party cryptographic primitive. We call it "combined

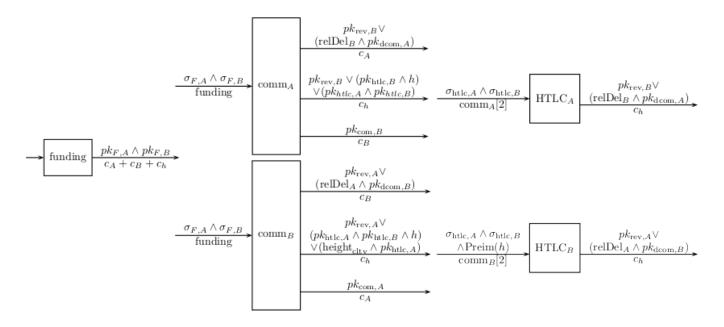


Figure 4. All transactions of an open channel with an HTLC in flight. Alice owns  $c_A$  coins, Bob  $c_B$  coins, and  $c_h$  coins will be transferred to Bob if he discloses the preimage of h until the ledger has height<sub>cltv</sub> blocks, otherwise they will return to Alice. "funding" is in the ledger, Alice keeps locally "comm<sub>A</sub>" and "HTLC<sub>A</sub>", and Bob keeps "comm<sub>B</sub>" and "HTLC<sub>B</sub>".

signature" and we prove that the construction hidden in the LN implementation realizes it in the random oracle model under the assumption that the underlying digital signature scheme is secure in Appendix D.

The last element needed to make channel updates secure is the already mentioned "relative timelock". If Alice broadcasts a commitment transaction, she is not allowed to immediately spend her funds with her "delayed payment" key. Instead, she has to wait for the transaction to reach a pre-agreed block depth (the relative timelock, negotiated during the opening of the channel and hardcoded in the output script of the commitment transaction) in order to give some time to Bob to see the transaction and, if it does not correspond to the latest version of the channel, punish her with his "revocation" key. This avoids a scenario in which Alice broadcasts an old commitment transaction and immediately spends her output, which would prevent Bob from ever proving that this commitment was old.

Lastly, if *Alice* wants to unilaterally close a channel, all she has to do is broadcast her latest local commitment (the only one not revoked) and any outstanding HTLC transactions (explained below) and wait for the timelock to expire in order to spend her funds. The LN specification further allows for cooperative channel closure, achieved by negotiating and broadcasting the "closing transaction" which is not encumbered with a timelock, providing immediate availability of funds.

As mentioned timelocks provide specific time windows within which both parties have to check the blockchain in order to punish a misbehaving counterparty who broadcasts an old commitment transaction.

This means that parties have to be regularly online to safeguard against theft. Furthermore, LN makes it possible to trustlessly outsource this to so-called watchtowers, but this mechanism is not analyzed in the current work. Multi-hop payments. Having funds locked down for exclusive use with a particular counterparty would be a serious limitation. LN goes beyond that by allowing multi-hop payments. In a situation where Alice has a channel with Bob and he has another channel with Charlie, it is possible for Alice to pay Charlie offchain by leveraging Bob's help. Remarkably, this can be achieved without any one party trusting any of the other two. One can think of Alice giving some "marked" money to Bob, who in turn either delivers it to Charlie or returns it to Alice – it is impossible for Bob to keep the money. It is also impossible for Alice and Charlie to make Bob pay for this transaction out of his pocket.

We will now give a brief overview of how this counterintuitive dynamic is made possible. Alice initiates the payment by asking Charlie to create a new hash for a payment of x coins. Charlie chooses a random secret, hashes it and sends the hash to Alice. Alice promises Bob to pay him x in their channel if he shows her the preimage of this particular hash within a specific time frame. Bob makes the same promise to Charlie: if Charlie tells Bob the preimage of the same hash within a specific time frame (shorter than the one Bob has agreed with Alice), Bob will pay him x in their common channel. Charlie then sends him the preimage (which is the secret he generated initially) and Bob agrees to update the channel to a new version where x is moved from him to Charlie. Similarly, Bob sends the preimage to Alice

and once again Alice updates their channel to give Bob x coins. Therefore x coins were transmitted from Alice to Charlie and Bob did not gain or lose anything, he just increased his balance in the channel with Alice and reduced his balance by an equal amount in the channel with Charlie.

This type of promise where a preimage is exchanged for money is called Hashed Time Locked Contract (HTLC). It is enforceable on-chain in case the payer does not cooperatively update upon disclosure of the preimage, thus no trust is needed. It is realised as an additional output of the commitment transactions, which contains the specified hash and transfers its funds either to the party that should provide the preimage or to the other party after a timeout. A corresponding "HTLC transaction" that can spend this output is built by each party. In the previous example with Alice, Bob and Charlie, two HTLC transactions were signed and fulfilled in total for the payment to go through. Two updates happened in each channel: one to sign the HTLC and one to fulfill it. The time frames were chosen so that every intermediary has had the time to learn the preimage and give it to the previous party on the path. Figure 4 shows all transactions implicated in a channel that has an HTLC in flight.

In LN zero-hop payments are also carried out using HTLCs.

LN gives the possibility for intermediaries to charge a fee for their service, but such fees are not incorporated in the current analysis for the benefit of avoiding the added complexity and making it easier for the functionality to keep track of the correct balances. We note in passing that the "wormhole" attack described in [29] is captured by our model, as an adversary that controls two non-neighbouring nodes on a payment path can skip the intermediate nodes. Nevertheless, such an attack is inconsequential in our analysis given the lack of fees. Furthermore, LN leverages the Sphinx onion packet scheme [30] to increase the privacy of payments, but we do not formaly analyze the privacy of LN in this work – we just use it in our protocol description to syntactically match the message format used by LN.

### 4. Overview of $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}}$

One of our contributions is the specification of  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  (Appendix F), a functionality that describes the functional and security guarantees given by an ideal payment network. The central aim of  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  is opening payment channels, keeping track of their state, updating them according to requested payments and closing them, as requested by honest players, all in a secure manner. In particular, the three main messages it can receive from *Alice* are (OPENCHANNEL), (PAY), (CLOSECHANNEL) and (FORCECLOSECHANNEL).

When  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  receives (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, tid) from Alice, it informs simulator  $\mathcal{S}$  of the intention of environment  $\mathcal{E}$  to create a channel between Alice

and Bob where Alice owns x coins. When it receives (PAY, Bob, x, path, receipt) from Alice, it informs  $\mathcal{S}$  that  $\mathcal{E}$  asked to perform a multi-hop payment of x coins from Alice to Bob along the path. In the same vein, when  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  receives (CLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid) or (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid) from Alice (for a cooperative or unilateral close respectively), it leaks to  $\mathcal{S}$  the fact that  $\mathcal{E}$  wants to close the relevant channel.

In order to provide security guarantees, there are various moments when  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  verifies whether certain expected events have actually taken place. A number of messages prompt  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  to read from  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$  and perform these checks. In the actual implementations of LN these checks are done periodically by a polling daemon. Such checks are done by  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  in the following cases:

- On receiving (POLL) by Alice,  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  asks  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  for Alice's latest state  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  and verifies that no bad events have happened. In particular,  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  halts if any of Alice's channels has been closed maliciously with a transaction at height h and, even though Alice has POLLed within [h, h+ delay(Alice)-1], she did not manage to punish the counterparty. Refer to lines 5 and 10 of Fig. 23 for more details. If  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  does not halt, it leaks to  $\mathcal{S}$  the polling details (including the identity of the poller and the state of the ledger in their view).
- $\bullet$   $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}}$  expects  $\mathcal{S}$  to send a (RESOLVEPAYS, charged) message that gives details on the outcome of one or more multi-hop payments that include the identity of the party that is charged. Moreover, for each resolved payment, the message includes two expiry values, expressed in absolute block height: OutgoingCltvExpiry, which is the highest block in which the charged party could claim money from the previous hop (closer to the payer) and IncomingCltvExpiry, which is the lowest block in which the charged party could claim money from the next hop (closer to the payee).  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  checks that for each payment the charged party was one of the following: (a) the one that initiated the payment, (b) a malicious party or (c) an honest party that is negligent. The latter case happens when the honest party either:
- 1) did not POLL in time to catch a malicious closure (similarly to the check performed when a POLL message is handled, as described above) (Fig. 19, line 6) or
- 2) did not POLL twice while the block height in the view of the player was in [OutgoingCltvExpiry, IncomingCltvExpiry -(2+r) windowSize] with a distance of at least (2+r) windowSize between the two POLLs or
- 3) did not enforce the retrieval of the funds lost as a result of this payment when the chain in her view had height IncomingCltvExpiry (2+r) windowSize (Fig. 18) with a FULFILLON-

Chain message, as discussed below.

Note that (2+r) windowSize is the maximum number of blocks an honest party needs to wait from the moment a valid transaction is submitted until it is added to the ledger state (Proposition 1).  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  also ensures that the two expiries (OutgoingCltvExpiry and IncomingCltvExpiry) have a distance of at least relayDelay(Alice) + (2+r) windowSize, otherwise it halts. In case the charged party was honest and non-negligent,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  halts. It also halts if a particular payment resulted in a channel update for which  $\mathcal{S}$  did not inform  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  (Fig. 20, line 10).

•  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  executes the function  $\text{checkClosed}(\Sigma_{Alice})$  every time it receives  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  from  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$  (Fig. 22, lines 1-33). In this case, it checks that every channel that  $\mathcal{E}$  has asked to be closed or  $\mathcal{S}$  designated as closed indeed has a closing transaction that corresponds to its latest state in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ . Enough time is given for that transaction to settle in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ , but if that time passes and the channel is still open or it is closed to a wrong version and no opportunity for punishment was given,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  halts.

A number of messages that support the protocol progress are also handled:

- Every player has to send (REGISTER, delay, relay-Delay) before participating in the network. This informs  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  how often the player has to POLL. "delay" corresponds to the maximum time between POLLs so that malicious closures will be caught. "relayDelay" is useful when the player is an intermediary of a multi-hop payment. It roughly represents the size of the time window the player has to learn a preimage from the next and reveal it to the previous node. Subsequently  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  asks  $\mathcal{S}$  to create and send a public key that will hold the player's funds. This public key is subsequently sent back to the player.
- To complete her registration, Alice has to send the (TOPPEDUP) message. It lets  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  know that the desired amount of initial funds have been transferred to Alice's public key.  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  reads Alice's state on  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$  to retrieve this number and subsequently allows Alice to participate in the payment network after it updates her onChainBalance.
- When  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  receives (CHECKFORNEW, Alice, Bob, tid) from Alice, it asks  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$  for Alice's latest state  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  and looks for a funding transaction F in it. If one is found,  $\mathcal{S}$  is asked to complete the opening procedure.
- (PUSHFULFILL, pchid), (PUSHADD, pchid) and (COMMIT, pchid) all nudge S to carry on with the protocol that updates the state of a specific channel.  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  simply forwards these messages to S.
- (FULFILLONCHAIN) prompts S to close channels in which the counterparty is not willing to pay, even though they have promised to do so upon disclosure

of a particular preimage. This message is simply forwarded to  $\mathcal{S}$ , but  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}}$  takes a note that such a message was received and the current blockheight in the view of the calling party.

Last but not least,  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (GETNEWS) to obtain the latest changes regarding newly opened or closed channels, along with updates to the state of existing ones. Here we make an interesting observation: The most complex part of LN is arguably the negotiations that happen when a multi-hop payment takes place, due to the many channel updates needed; indeed, two complete channel updates for each hop are needed for a successful payment to go through. The fact that a proposal for an update can happen asynchronously with the commitment to this update, along with the fact that a single commitment may commit to many indiviual update proposals only adds to the complexity. It is therefore only natural to want  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  to be unaware of these details. In order to disentangle the abstraction of  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}}$  from such minutiae, we allow the adversary full control of the updates that are reported back to  $\mathcal{E}$  via  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$ . Nevertheless,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  enforces that any reporting deviations induced by the adversary will be caught when a channel closes. This is quite intuitive: Consider a user of the payment network that does not understand its inner workings but can read  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  and count her funds there.  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  provides no guarantees regarding any specific interim reporting but the user is assured that in case she chooses to close the relevant channel, her state in  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  will be consistent with all the payments that went through.

### 5. Lightning Protocol $\Pi_{LN}$ Overview

In order to prove that software adhering to the LN specification fulfills the security guarantees given by  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ , a concrete protocol that implements LN in the UC model is needed. To that end we define the formal protocol  $\Pi_{LN}$ , an overview of which is given here.

For the rest of this section, we will assume that Alice, Bob and Charlie are interactive Turing machine instances (ITIs) [25] that honestly execute  $\Pi_{LN}$ . Similarly to the ideal world, the main functions of  $\Pi_{LN}$ are triggered when it receives (OPENCHANNEL), (PAY), (CLOSECHANNEL) and (FORCECLOSECHANNEL) from  $\mathcal{E}$ . These three messages along with (GETNEWS) informally correspond to actions that a "human user" would instruct the system to perform. (REGISTER) and (TOPPEDUP) are sent by  $\mathcal{E}$  for player intialization. The rest of the messages sent from  $\mathcal{E}$  prompt  $\Pi_{LN}$  to perform actions that a software implementation would spontaneously perform periodically. All messages sent between Alice, Bob and Charlie correspond to messages specified by LN. For clarity of exposition, we avoid mentioning the exact name and contents of every message. We refer the reader to the formal definition of  $\Pi_{LN}$  for further details (Appendix H).

**Registration.** Before Alice can use the network,  $\mathcal{E}$  first has to send her a (REGISTER, delay, relayDelay) message. She generates her persistent key and sends it back to  $\mathcal{E}$ . The latter may choose to add some funds to this key and then send (TOPPEDUP) to Alice, who checks her state in  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$  and records her on-chain balance.

Channel opening. When she receives (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, tid) from  $\mathcal{E}$ , Alice initiates the message sequence needed to open a channel with Bob, funded by her with x coins. After following the steps described in Section 3, the funding transaction has been submitted to  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$ . However the channel is not open yet.

At a later point  $\mathcal{E}$  may send (CHECKFORNEW, Alice, Bob, tid) to Alice. She then checks if her state in  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  contains the funding transaction with the temporary ID tid and in that case she exchanges new commitment keys with Bob, as per Section 3. The channel is now open. Both parties keep a note to give  $\mathcal{E}$  a receipt of the new channel the next time they receive (GETNEWS).

Channel closing. When sent by  $\mathcal{E}$ , the messages CLOSECHANNEL and FORCECLOSECHANNEL prompt Alice to close the channel cooperatively or unilaterally respectively, as explained in Section 3. In both cases she takes a note to notify  $\mathcal{E}$  that the channel is closed when she receives (GETNEWS).

Performing payments. We will now follow the exact steps needed for a multi-hop payment, filling in many details that we omitted from Section 3. When she receives (PAY, Charlie, x, path) from  $\mathcal{E}$ , Alice attempts to pay Charlie x coins, using the provided  $\overline{\text{path}}$ . Let us assume that the path is Alice – Bob – Charlie. Alice asks Charlie for an "invoice" with the HTLC hash, to which Charlie reacts by choosing a random preimage and sending back to Alice its hash. Alice then prepares a Sphinx [30] onion packet with the relevant information for each party on the path and sends it to Bob. Bob peels his layer of the onion and, after performing sanity checks and extracting the hash, he takes a note of this pending HTLC. He does not yet forward the onion to Charlie, because Alice is not yet committed to paying Bob. The latter happens if Alice subsequently receives (COMMIT,  $pchid_{AB}$ ) from  $\mathcal{E}$ , where  $pchid_{AB}$  is the ID of the Alice-Bob channel. She then sends Bob all the signatures needed to make the new commitment transaction spendable, who replies with the secret commitment key of the old commitment transaction (thus revoking it), along with the public commitment key of the future commitment transaction (to allow Alice to prepare the next update, when that happens). LN demands that before Bob forwards the onion to *Charlie*, he must commit as well to the HTLC to Alice. This happens if he receives the relevant COMMIT message from  $\mathcal{E}$ . Now that both parties have the HTLC in their commitment transaction and all past commitment transactions are revoked, they consider this HTLC "irrevocably committed".

Bob may then receive (PUSHADD,  $pchid_{AB}$ ) from  $\mathcal{E}$ . Bob sends the onion to Charlie, who in turn peels it, recognizes that the payment is for him and that indeed

he knows the preimage (since he generated it himself) and waits for the HTLC between him and Bob to be irrevocably committed. After both Bob and Charlie receive (COMMIT), Charlie awaits for a (PUSHFULFILL,  $pchid_{BC}$ ) message from  $\mathcal{E}$ . If it arrives, Charlie sends the preimage to Bob, who sends it back to Alice. Once more every party has to receive a (COMMIT) message for each of the channels it participates in in order to remove the HTLC and update the definitive balance of each player to the appropriate value after the payment is complete. After this last update, each party keeps a note to inform  $\mathcal{E}$  about the new balance when it receives (GETNEWS). Alice and Charlie also keep a note to inform  $\mathcal{E}$  that the payment it had asked for succeeded.

Observe that while locked up in an HTLC, funds do not belong to either player; they are rather in a temporary, transitive state. If one party learns the preimage, the funds become theirs, whereas if it does not learn the preimage after some time, the other party is entitled to the funds. Also observe that within the UC framework the necessary messages COMMIT, PUSHFULFILL and PushAdd may never arrive, but in a correct software implementation the corresponding actions happen automatically, without waiting for a prompt by the user. **Polling.** Lastly,  $\mathcal{E}$  may send (POLL) to Alice. She then reads her state in  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  and checks for closed channels. If she finds maliciously closed channels (closed using old commitments), she punishes the counterparty and takes all the funds in the channel. If she finds in an honestly closed channel a preimage of an HTLC that she has previously signed and for which she is an intermediary, she records it and prepares to send it when she receives (PUSHFULFILL). Finally, if she finds an honestly closed channel with an HTLC output for which she knows the preimage, she spends it immediately. For every closed channel she finds, she keeps a note to report it to  $\mathcal{E}$  the next time she receives (GETNEWS).

Remark 1 (Differences between LN and  $\Pi_{LN}$ ). In LN, a custom construction for generating a new secret during each channel update is used. It reduces the space needed to maintain a channel from O(n) to  $O(\log n)$  in the number of updates. As far as we know, its security has not been formally analyzed. In the current paper we use instead a PRF [31].

As mentioned earlier, LN uses a custom construction that takes advantage of elliptic curve homomorphic properties in order to derive any number of keypairs by combining a single "basepoint" with different "labels". We instead use Identity Based Signatures [27], [28] (IBS) to abstract the properties provided by the construction. We also prove that it actually implements an IBS, see Appendix B.

Additionally, we have chosen to simplify the protocol in a number of ways in order to keep the analysis tractable. In particular LN defines several additional messages that signal various types of errors in transmission. It also specifies exactly how message retransmission should happen upon reconnection, specifically for the

case of connection failure while updating a channel. This allows for a more robust system by excluding many cases of accidental channel closures. What is more, an LN user can change their "delay" and "relayDelay" parameters even after registration, which is not the case in  $\Pi_{\rm LN}$ .

Lastly, in order to incentivize users to act as intermediaries or check for channel closures on behalf of others, LN provides for fees for these two roles. Furthermore, in order to reduce transaction size and ensure that bitcoin nodes relay the transactions, it specifies exact rules for pruning outputs of too low value (known as "dust outputs"). In the current analysis we do not consider these features.

### 6. The Combined Signature primitive

As previously mentioned, we define a new primitive for combining keys and generating signatures, which is leveraged in the revocation and punishment mechanism of channel updates. Furthermore, we prove that the construction designed by the creators of LN realizes this primitive. We provide here the concrete syntax and correctness definitions, along with the intuition behind it. The exact security definitions, concrete construction and proof of security can be found in Appendix D.

Previous work on the subject of multi-party signatures [12], [32], [33], [34], [35], [36] focuses on usecases where some parties desire to generate a signature without revealing their private information; the latter is created using an interactive protocol. The resulting signatures can be verified by a single verification key, which is also included in the output of the key generation protocol. As we will see however, the primitive defined here has different aims and limitations and, to our knowledge, has not been formalized yet.

A combined signature is a two-party primitive, say between Alice and Bob, with Bob being the signer and Alice the holder of a share of the secret key. This share is essential for issuing signatures, which in turn are verifiable with the "combined" verification key. The verification key is generated using public information drawn from Alice and Bob and is feasible without any party knowing the corresponding signing key. Bob will be able to construct the signing key only if Alice shares her secret information with him.

More specifically, the seven algorithms used by a Combined Signatures scheme are:

- $(mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{MasterKeyGen}(1^k)$
- $(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyShareGen}(1^k)$
- $cpk_l \leftarrow \text{CombinePubKey}(mpk, pk)$
- $(cpk_l, csk_l) \leftarrow \text{CombineKey}(mpk, msk, pk, sk)$
- $\{0,1\} \leftarrow \text{TestKey}(pk,sk)$
- $\sigma \leftarrow \text{SignCS}(m, csk)$
- $\{0,1\} \leftarrow \text{VerifyCS}(\sigma, m, cpk)$

We demand that these three properties hold for a scheme to have correctness:

- $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\Pr[(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyShareGen}(1^k), \text{TestKey}(pk, sk) = 1] = 1$ I.e. KeyShareGen() must always generate a valid keypair.
- $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\Pr[(mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{MasterKeyGen}(1^k), (pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyShareGen}(1^k), (cpk_1, csk_1) \leftarrow \text{CombineKey}(mpk, msk, pk, sk), cpk_2 \leftarrow \text{CombinePubKey}(mpk, pk), cpk_1 = cpk_2] = 1$ I.e. for suitable input, CombinePubKey() and CombineKey() produce the same public key.
- $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, m \in \mathcal{M},$   $\Pr[(mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{MasterKeyGen}(1^k),$   $(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyShareGen}(1^k),$   $(cpk, csk) \leftarrow \text{CombineKey}(mpk, msk, pk, sk),$  VerifyCS(SignCS(m, csk), m, cpk) = 1] = 1I.e. for suitable input, honestly generated signatures always verify correctly.

Beyond correctness, combined signatures have two security properties expressed as follows. Share-EUF security expresses security from the point of view of *Alice*, and establishes that *Bob* cannot issue a valid combined signature if he does not possess *Alice*'s corresponding secret share. In Appendix D we formalize it and prove:

**Lemma 1.** The construction defined in Appendix D is share-EUF-secure in the Random Oracle model under the assumption that the underlying signature scheme is strongly EUF-CMA-secure and the range of the Random Oracle coincides with that of the underlying signature scheme signing keys.

On the other hand, master-EUF-CMA security is modeled very similarly to standard EUF-CMA security, with the difference that Bob (the signer) combines malicious shares into his public key and issues signatures with respect to such combined keys. The security property ensures that these signatures provide no advantage to the adversary in terms of producing a forged message for a combined key of its choice. In this respect we prove:

**Lemma 2.** The construction of Appendix D is master-EUF-CMA-secure in the Random Oracle model under the assumption that the underlying signature scheme is strongly EUF-CMA-secure and the range of the Random Oracle coincides with that of the underlying signature scheme signing keys.

The two results can then be combined to obtain the desired security property:

**Theorem 1.** The construction of Appendix D is combine-EUF-secure in the Random Oracle model under the assumption that the underlying signature scheme is strongly EUF-CMA-secure.

### 7. Security proof overview

Theorem 2 (Lightning Payment Network Security). The protocol  $\Pi_{LN}$  realises  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  given a global functionality  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  and assuming the security of the underlying digital signature, identity-based signature, combined digital signature and PRF. Specifically,

$$\begin{split} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \ PPT \ \mathcal{E}, \\ | \Pr[\text{Exec}_{\Pi_{\text{LN}}, \mathcal{A}_{\text{d}}, \mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1] - \Pr[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}, \mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1]| \leq \\ 2nm \text{E-ds}(k) + 6np \text{E-ids}(k) + 2nmp \text{E-share}(k) + \\ + 2nm \text{E-master}(k) + 2\text{E-prf}(k) \enspace , \end{split}$$

where n is the maximum number of registered users, m is the maximum number of channels that a user is involved in, p is the maximum number of times that a channel is updated and the "E-" terms correspond to the insecurity bounds of the primitives.

Proof Sketch: The proof is done in 5 steps of successive game replacement. In the first lemma, (Lemma 4 in the appendix) we define a simulator  $\mathcal{S}_{LN}$  that internally simulates a full execution of  $\Pi_{LN}$  for each player, and a "dummy" functionality that acts as a simple relay between  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_{LN}$ . We argue that this version of the ideal world trivially produces the exact same messages for  $\mathcal{E}$  as the real world.

In each subsequent step, we incrementally move responsibilities from the simulator to the functionality, while ensuring the change is transparent to both  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$ . Each step defines a different functionality that handles some additional messages from  $\mathcal{E}$  exactly like  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$ , until the last step (Lemma 8 in the appendix) where we use  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  itself. Correspondingly, the simulator of each step is adapted so that the new ideal execution is computationally indistinguishable from the previous one. For each step we exhaustively trace the differences from the previous step in order to prove that, given the same messages from  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$ , the resulting responses remain unchanged.

The second step, (Lemma 5 in the appendix) lets  $\mathcal{F}$ handle registration messages, along with the corruption messages from  $\mathcal{S}$ . In the third step, (Lemma 6 in the appendix) the functionality additionally handles messages related to channel opening. It behaves like  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}}$ , but does not execute checkClosed(). The fourth step, (Lemma 7 in the appendix) has the functionality handle all messages sent during channel updates. Lastly, (Lemma 8 in the appendix) the entire  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$  is used as functionality, by incorporating the message for closing a channel, executing checkClosed() normally and handing the message that returns to  $\mathcal{E}$  the receipts for newly opened, updated and closed channels. The last two steps introduce a probability of failure in case the various types of signatures used in  $\Pi_{LN}$  are forged. We analyze these cases separately and argue that, if such forgeries do not happen, the emulation is perfect. Therefore we can calculate the concrete security bounds shown in the theorem.  $\hfill\Box$ 

As a concrete example of the proof approach, the second step (Lemma 5 in the appendix) entails the following parts: First  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Reg}$  is defined (Fig. 50), which is a functionality that behaves exactly like  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ when receiving the messages REGISTER, REGISTER-DONE, TOPPEDUP and CORRUPTED, but simply forwards all other messages along with the sender to S. Then  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg}}$  is defined (Fig. 51 in the appendix), which simulates all protocol instances, but in response to REGISTER messages from  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet,Reg}}$ , it provides the public key of the key it just generated (as  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Reg}}$ expects). It also keeps track of corruptions and informs  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Reg}}$  thereof. Lastly, we argue that the functionality and simulator that were used in the first step (Lemma 4 in the appendix) can be replaced by their newly defined counterparts without introducing any discernible difference to the transcript that any  $\mathcal{E}$  sees. This is achieved by exhaustive enumeration of all possible messages and comparison of the behaviour of the ideal and the real world for each, to conclude that the change is transparent to  $\mathcal{E}$ . The formal proof can be found in Appendix J.

### 8. Instant finality ledgers are unrealisable

As already mentioned, previous attempts at formalising payment channels in UC [13], [14], [15], [16] assume a variant of a ledger functionality with instant finality. We here define a representative variant of this approach  $\mathcal{F}_{PerfectL}$  (defined below) where all submitted transactions are instantly added to the ledger and immediately available to be read by all players. Subsequently we argue that, albeit an attractive abstraction, such a functionality is unrealisable, even under strong network assumptions, i.e. a multicast synchronous network  $\mathcal{F}_{N-MC}^1$ . Such a network ensures that messages sent by honest parties will be instantly delivered to all other parties; no delays can be introduced by the adversary. We refer the reader to Appendix I for the formal definition of  $\mathcal{F}^1_{N-MC}$ . The adversary however may choose to send its own messages only to specific parties. This allows the adversary to spread conflicting information or withhold data from some parties. This adversarial ability precludes the possibility of such a ledger to be realised. The full proof can be found in Appendix K.

**Theorem 3** (Perfect Ledger is Unrealisable). For any ITM  $\Pi_{PerfectL}$  there exist ITMs  $\mathcal{E}_{PL}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_{PL}$  such that for any ITM  $\mathcal{S}$ 

$$\mathrm{Exec}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{PerfectL}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{PL}},\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{N-MC}},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{clock}}} \not\approx \mathrm{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PerfectL}},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{clock}}}$$

*Proof Sketch:* We take advantage of  $\mathcal{A}_{PL}$ 's ability to selectively send messages to specific players. In particular,  $\mathcal{E}_{PL}$  starts an execution with two players and generates a random message m. In half of the executions (randomly selected), the adversary simulates a "broken"

 $\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}$  execution where the effects of submitting m are only shared with one of the two players, say Alice by  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{PL}}$  (in the real world). The environment then sends (READ) to the other player, say Bob. If Bob returns a ledger containing m, then  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}$  concludes that it is the ideal world, otherwise it sends (READ) to Alice. If she returns a ledger with m, then  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}$  concludes it is in the real world, otherwise it concludes it is in the ideal world.

The above is not sufficient since a protocol may choose to return an empty ledger; to counter this, in the other half of the executions,  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}$  sends (SUBMIT, m) to *Alice* and then (READ) to *Bob*. If, and only if, *Bob* knows m, then  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}$  concludes this is the ideal world. This forces the  $\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}$  protocol to achieve instant finality and will establish that a distinguishing advantage exists no matter how  $\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}$  is implemented.

### Functionality $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PerfectL}}$

- 1: State: List of txs  $\mathcal{L}$
- 2: Upon receiving (Submit, m) from Alice or  $\mathcal{A}$ , append m to  $\mathcal{L}$  and send (Submit, Alice or  $\mathcal{A}$ , m) to  $\mathcal{A}$
- 3: Upon receiving (READ) from *Alice*, send (READ,  $\mathcal{L}$ ) to *Alice*

### 9. Future Work and Conclusion

In order to remain tractable, the current analysis omits some parts of the lightning specification. In particular, the specification defines how intermediaries of multi-hop payments can charge a fee for their service. Furthermore, the per-update secret generation is not done with a PRF according to the specification: an optimisation that reduces the storage overhead for the counterparty is used instead. The security of this optimisation however has not been yet formally inspected. Additionally, the specification provisions for a number of failure messages that help in keeping counterparties informed of issues with requested payments and in alleviating the problem of unneeded precautionary channel closures. Transactions that are added on-chain offer a fee to the blockchain miners (unrelated to the fee of the off-chain multi-hop payments). When closing a channel cooperatively, this fee is contributed by both counterparties, therefore the closing sequence of the specification includes an iterative negotiation of said fee where the two parties repeatedly propose a value based on their settings until they converge to a compromise or fail to agree. Lastly, most Bitcoin nodes do not relay transactions that include outputs with tiny amounts of coins, a.k.a "dust" outputs, to avoid bloating the blockchain. The lightning specification provides extensive instructions as to how to prune such outputs.

All aforementioned parts of the protocol were not analysed so that the security of the core parts of the lightning protocol could be discussed without distractions. In order for the analysis to cover the entirety of the current version of the lightning specification however, the aforementioned features should be incorporated and their security should be proven. This expansion of the analysis is left as future work.

In a different direction, big parts of our main security proof consist of an exhaustive enumeration of the possible messages that  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  can send to the protocol, the simulator or the functionality and tracking how such messages would change the flow of the execution of the ideal and the real world. It is then argued that in all cases the messages that would be sent to  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  are indistinguishable. These parts of the proof are good candidates for rewriting in the environment of an automated proof assistant [37] to instill additional certainty that all possible execution paths are indeed checked and do not contain subtle sources of distinguishability. Combining our results with the recent mechanization of UC via Easycrypt [38] would be a natural and interesting direction for future work.

The lightning specification is not static, but it is continuously undergoing a number of improvements. The most noteworthy upcoming change is the introduction of Pointlocked TimeLocked Contracts (PTLCs). This mechanism replaces HTLCs and promises to combat the "wormhole" attack [29], while increasing privacy. Our work can be modified to cover the case of PTLCs with relative ease. It also provides a suitable framework for future work that aims to shed light on the exact privacy benefit that PTLCs offer as opposed to HTLCs.

The present analysis constitutes the first comprehensive treatment in the Universal Composability framework of a deployed layer-2 protocol on top of a functional ledger. It can be extended and adapted to analyze other similar protocols that achieve different security goals or use another ledger as base layer.

Conclusion. The present work constitutes a fortunate result, since it conclusively proves that software that adhere to the lightning specification cannot lose funds accidentally to a malicious protocol player. Indeed, such a result reinforces trust to the lightning network and acts as a guarantee to the almost 900 bitcoins currently in circulation in the layer-2 protocol.

By leveraging the guarantees provided by the Universal Composability framework, we further assert that the lightning protocol is freely composable with other protocols. As such it can run side by side with arbitrary protocols, or be used as a subroutine to higher-level protocols without needing to prove its security anew.

By separating particular subroutines of the protocol as distinct cryptographic primitives and analysing them individually, we have contributed to its cryptorgaphic agility. Lastly, by keeping it as protocol-agnostic as possible, our payment network functionality can be adapted to express the functional and security requirements of other layer-2 protocols with relative ease.

### Appendix A. Digital Signatures

Digital signatures [31] enable a party to authenticate messages to other parties. A signature on a message is created by the signing party using the secret "signing key"; other parties can later verify that the signature was indeed made on the message using the public "verification key". Transactions in Bitcoin [2] are signed using digital signatures and are considered valid only if signatures verify correctly, thus ensuring that only parties entitled to particular funds can spend them. Bitcoin uses ECDSA signatures over the secp256k1 curve<sup>3</sup>.

To ensure compatibility, LN uses ECDSA over the same curve as its basic signature scheme. In this work, we abstract the particular construction away and use instead the established primitive that a secure construction must realize.

The three algorithms used by a Digital Signatures scheme are:

```
• (pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KEYGEN}(1^k)
• \sigma \leftarrow \text{SIGNDS}(m, sk)
• \{0, 1\} \leftarrow \text{VERIFYDS}(\sigma, m, pk)
```

We demand that the following holds for a scheme to have correctness:

```
 \begin{aligned} &\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, m \in \mathcal{M}, \\ &\Pr[(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^k), \\ &\text{VerifyDS}(\text{SignDS}(m, sk), m, pk) = 1] = 1 \end{aligned}
```

```
Game EUF-CMA^{\mathcal{A}} (1^k)
 1: (pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^k)
 2: i \leftarrow 0
 3: (aux_i, response) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(INIT, pk)
 4: while response can be parsed as m do
          i \leftarrow i+1
 6:
          store m as m_i
 7:
          \sigma_i \leftarrow \text{SignDS}(m, sk)
          (\mathtt{aux}_i, \mathtt{response}) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathtt{SIGNATURE}, \mathtt{aux}_{i-1}, \sigma_i)
 9: end while
10: parse response as (m^*, \sigma^*)
11: if m^* \notin \{m_1, \dots, m_i\} \land \text{VERIFYDS}(\sigma^*, m^*, pk) = 1
12:
          return 1
13: else
          return 0
14:
15: end if
```

Figure 5.

**Definition 1.** A Digital Signatures scheme is strongly EUF-CMA-secure if

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \forall \mathcal{A} \in \mathsf{PPT}, \Pr\left[\mathsf{EUF\text{-}CMA}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right) = 1\right] = negl\left(k\right)$$
 or equivalently 
$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \mathsf{E\text{-}ds}(k) = negl\left(k\right) \ ,$$

3. https://en.bitcoin.it/wiki/Secp256k1

where 
$$\operatorname{E-ds}(k) = \sup_{A \in \operatorname{PPT}} \left\{ \Pr[\operatorname{EUF-CMA}^A (1^k) = 1] \right\}$$
.

# Appendix B. Identity Based Signatures primitive

As we mentioned previously, LN uses a custom construction to derive three new keys on each update. We abstract this construction using a slight modification to the previously established Identity Based Signatures primitive [28], [27]. Our version augments the scheme with explicit verification keys, which are generated together with the signing keys. Furthermore a new key derivation algorithm is introduced, which returns only the verification key of an identity, given its label. We furthermore prove that the custom construction used in LN realizes the primitive.

The five algorithms used by an Identity Based Signatures scheme (with our modification) are:

```
• (mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{Setup}(1^k)

• (pk_l, sk_l) \leftarrow \text{KeyDer}(mpk, msk, l)

• pk_l \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, l)

• \sigma \leftarrow \text{SignIBS}(m, sk_l)

• \{0, 1\} \leftarrow \text{VerifyIBS}(\sigma, m, pk_l)
```

Observe that mpk is not part of the input to SigniBS and VerifyIBS. In our case, this input is not needed. In fact, because of the underlying similarity of these two algorithms with their counterparts from standard Digital Signatures, such an input would rather complicate the exposition.

We demand that the following holds for a scheme to have correctness:

```
• \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, l \in \mathcal{L},

\Pr[(mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{Setup}(1^k),

(pk_1, sk_1) \leftarrow \text{KeyDer}(mpk, msk, l),

pk_2 \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, l),

pk_1 = pk_2] = 1

• \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, m \in \mathcal{M},

\Pr[(mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{Setup}(1^k),

(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyDer}(mpk, msk, l),

\text{VerifyIBS}(\text{SignIBS}(m, sk), m, pk) = 1] = 1
```

**Definition 2.** An Identity Based Signatures scheme is IBS-EUF-CMA-secure if

$$\begin{split} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \forall \mathcal{A} \in \mathsf{PPT}, \\ \Pr\left[\mathsf{IBS\text{-}EUF\text{-}CMA}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right) = 1\right] = negl\left(k\right) \\ or \ equivalently \\ \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \mathsf{E\text{-}ibs}(k) = negl\left(k\right) \\ where \ \mathsf{E\text{-}ibs}(k) = \sup_{\mathcal{A} \in \mathsf{PPT}} \left\{\Pr\left[\mathsf{IBS\text{-}EUF\text{-}CMA}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right) = 1\right]\right\} \ . \end{split}$$

### **B.1.** Construction

We here define the particular construction for Identity Based Signatures used in LN and prove its security. Parameters: hash function  $\mathcal{H}$ , group generator G

```
Game IBS-EUF-CMA^{\mathcal{A}} (1^{k})
 1: (mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{Setup}(1^k)
 2: i, j \leftarrow 0
 3: (aux_0, response) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(INIT, mpk)
 4: while response can be parsed as (m, l) or l do
          if response can be parsed as (m, l) then
 6:
               i \leftarrow i + 1
               store (m, l) as (m, l)_i
 7:
 8:
               (pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyDer}(mpk, msk, l)
 9:
               \sigma \leftarrow \text{SignIBS}(m, sk)
10:
     (\mathtt{aux}_{i+j}, \mathtt{response}) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathtt{SIGNATURE}, \mathtt{aux}_{i+j-1}, \sigma)
          else // response can be parsed as l
11:
               j \leftarrow j + 1
12:
               store l as l_j
13:
14:
               (pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyDer}(mpk, msk, l)
15:
     (\mathtt{aux}_{i+j}, \mathtt{response}) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathtt{KEYPAIR}, \mathtt{aux}_{i+j-1}, (pk, sk))
16:
          end if
17: end while
18: parse response as (m^*, l^*, \sigma^*)
19: if (m^*, l^*) \notin \{(m, l)_1, \dots, (m, l)_i\} \wedge l^* \notin \{l_1, \dots, l_j\} \wedge l^*
     VERIFYIBS(\sigma^*, m^*, \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, l^*)) = 1
20:
          return 1
21: else
22:
          return 0
23: end if
```

Figure 6.

```
SETUP(1^k, rand):

return (G \cdot rand, rand)

KEYDER(mpk, msk, l):

pk \leftarrow mpk + \mathcal{H}(l \parallel mpk) \cdot G

sk \leftarrow msk + \mathcal{H}(l \parallel mpk)

return (pk, sk)

PUBKEYDER(mpk, l):

return mpk + \mathcal{H}(l \parallel mpk) \cdot G

SIGNIBS(m, sk_l):

return SIGNDS(m, sk_l)

VERIFYIBS(\sigma, m, pk_l):

return VERIFYDS(\sigma, m, pk_l)
```

Lemma 3. The construction above is IBS-EUF-CMA-secure in the Random Oracle model under the assumption that the underlying signature scheme is strongly EUF-CMA-secure and the range of the Random Oracle coincides with that of the underlying signature scheme signing keys.

```
Proof: Let k \in \mathbb{N}, \mathcal{B} PPT algorithm such that \Pr\left[\mathsf{IBS}\text{-}\mathsf{EUF}\text{-}\mathsf{CMA}^{\mathcal{B}}\left(1^{k}\right)=1\right]=a>\operatorname{negl}\left(k\right)\;. We construct a PPT distinguisher \mathcal{A} (Fig. 7) such that
```

 $\Pr\left[\mathsf{EUF\text{-}CMA}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right)=1\right]>\operatorname{negl}\left(k\right)$ 

that breaks the assumption, thus proving Lemma 3.

```
Algorithm \mathcal{A}(vk)
  1: k \stackrel{\mathfrak{d}}{\leftarrow} U[1, T(\mathcal{B}) + T(\mathcal{A})] // T(M) is the maximum
      running time of M
          Random Oracle: for every first-seen query a from
      \mathcal{B} set \mathcal{H}(q) to a random value
          return \mathcal{H}(q) to \mathcal{B}
 4: (mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{Setup}(1^k)
          Random Oracle: Let q be the kth first-seen query
     from \mathcal{B} or \mathcal{A}:
          if q = (l \parallel mpk) then
 6:
               set \mathcal{H}(l \parallel mpk) to (vk - mpk) \cdot G^{-1}
 7:
 8:
               set \mathcal{H}(q) to a random value
 9:
10:
          end if
11:
          return \mathcal{H}(q) to \mathcal{B} or \mathcal{A}
12: i \leftarrow 0
13: j \leftarrow 0
14: (aux_0, response) \leftarrow \mathcal{B}(INIT, mpk)
15: while response can be parsed as (m, l) or l do
          if response can be parsed as (m, l) then
17:
               i \leftarrow i + 1
               store (m, l) as (m, l)_i
18:
               (pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KEYDER}(mpk, msk, l)
19:
20:
               \sigma \leftarrow \text{SignIBS}(m, sk)
      (\mathtt{aux}_{i+j}, \mathtt{response}) \leftarrow \mathcal{B}\left(\mathtt{SIGNATURE}, \mathtt{aux}_{i+j-1}, \sigma\right)
22:
          else // response can be parsed as l
23:
               j \leftarrow j + 1
24:
               store l as l_i
25:
               (pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{KeyDer}(mpk, msk, l)
26:
      (\mathtt{aux}_{i+j}, \mathtt{response}) \leftarrow \mathcal{B}\left(\mathtt{KEYPAIR}, \mathtt{aux}_{i+j-1}, (pk, sk)\right)
27:
          end if
28: end while
29: parse response as (m^*, l^*, \sigma^*)
30: if vk = PubKeyDer(mpk, l^*) \wedge \mathcal{B} wins the
     IBS-EUF-CMA game then // A won the EUF-CMA
31:
          return (m^*, \sigma^*)
32: else
33:
          return FAIL
34: end if
```

Figure 7.

Let Y be the range of the random oracle. The modified random oracle used in Fig. 7 is indistinguishable from the standard random oracle by PPT algorithms since the statistical distance of the standard random oracle from the modified one is at most  $\frac{1}{2|Y|} < negl(k)$  as they differ in at most one element.

Let E denote the event in which neither KEY-DER $(mpk, msk, l^*)$  or PubKeyDeR $(mpk, l^*)$  is invoked. In that case the value  $\mathcal{H}(l \parallel mpk)$  is decided after  $\mathcal{B}$ 

terminates (Fig. 7, line 30) and thus

$$\begin{split} \Pr[vk \in \operatorname{KeyDer}\left(mpk, msk, l^*\right) \vee \\ vk &= \operatorname{PubKeyDer}\left(mpk, l^*\right) | E] < negl\left(k\right) \Rightarrow \\ \Pr[(vk \in \operatorname{KeyDer}\left(mpk, msk, l^*\right) \vee \\ vk &= \operatorname{PubKeyDer}\left(mpk, l^*\right)\right) \wedge E] < negl\left(k\right) \Rightarrow \\ \Pr\left[vk = \operatorname{PubKeyDer}\left(mpk, l^*\right) \wedge E\right] < negl\left(k\right) \end{split} .$$

It is

$$(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}) \to (vk = \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, l^*)) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}] \leq \Pr[vk = \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, l^*)] \Rightarrow$$

$$\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \land E] \leq$$

$$\leq \Pr[vk = \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, l^*) \land E] \stackrel{(1)}{\Rightarrow}$$

$$\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \land E] < negl(k) .$$

But we know that  $\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}] = \Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge E] + \Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge \neg E]$  and  $\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}] = a$  by the assumption, thus

$$\Pr\left[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge \neg E\right] > a - negl(k) \quad . \tag{2}$$

We now focus at the event  $\neg E$ . Let F the event in which the call of to KeyDer( $mpk, msk, l^*$ ) or PubKeyDer( $mpk, l^*$ ) results in the kth invocation of the Random Oracle. Since k is chosen uniformly at random and using Proposition 2,  $\Pr[F|\neg E] = \frac{1}{T(\mathcal{B}) + T(\mathcal{A})}$ . Observe that  $\Pr[F|E] = 0 \Rightarrow \Pr[F] = \Pr[F|\neg E] = \frac{1}{T(\mathcal{B}) + T(\mathcal{A})}$ .

In the case where the event  $(F \wedge \mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge \neg E)$  holds, it is

PubkeyDer 
$$(mpk, l^*) = mpk + \mathcal{H}(l^* \parallel mpk) \cdot G = mpk + (vk - mpk) \cdot G^{-1} \cdot G = vk$$

Since F holds, the kth invocation of the Random Oracle queried  $\mathcal{H}\left(l^{*}\parallel mpk\right)$ . Therefore it is PubkeyDer  $(mpk,l^{*})=vk$ . This means that the verification is successful: VerifyIBS  $(\sigma^{*},m^{*},vk)=1$ . We conclude that, if  $(F\wedge\mathcal{B}\text{ wins }\wedge\neg E)$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  wins the EUFCMA game. A final observation is that the probability that the events  $(\mathcal{B}\text{ wins }\wedge\neg E)$  and F are almost independent, thus

$$\begin{aligned} &\Pr\left[F \wedge \mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \land \neg E\right] = \\ &= \Pr\left[F\right] \Pr\left[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \land \neg E\right] \pm negl\left(k\right) \stackrel{(2)}{=} \\ &\frac{a - negl\left(k\right)}{T\left(\mathcal{A}\right) + T\left(\mathcal{B}\right)} \pm negl\left(k\right) > negl\left(k\right) \end{aligned}$$

### Appendix C. Pseudorandom Functions

A "pseudorandom function" [31] F is informally a function with two inputs: a secret seed and a bitstring.

Given that the seed is randomly selected, no PPT algorithm can distinguish  ${\cal F}$  from a randomly selected function.

In the current work a PRF is used in  $\Pi_{LN}$  to generate the randomness used for KeyShareGen(), which returns the so-called "per commitment" keypairs  $(s_{Alice,com,n}, p_{Alice,com,n})$  (Fig. 27, line 5, Fig. 28, line 4, Fig. 32, line 5, Fig. 33, line 7 and Fig. 42, line 19).

**Definition 3.** Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\operatorname{Func}_k$  the set of all functions mapping k-bitstrings to k-bitstrings. We say that function  $F: \{0,1\}^k \times \{0,1\}^k \to \{0,1\}^k$  is pseudorandom if  $\forall PPT \mathcal{A}$ ,

$$\begin{split} |\Pr_{\substack{s \in \{0,1\}^k \\ \mathcal{A}'s \ coins}} [\mathcal{A}^{F(s,\cdot)}(1^k) = 1] - \\ - \Pr_{\substack{f \in \mathsf{Func}_k \\ \mathcal{A}'s \ coins}} [\mathcal{A}^{f(\cdot)}(1^k) = 1]| = \mathit{negl}(k) \enspace , \end{split}$$

where A is given oracle access to  $F(s,\cdot)$  and  $f(\cdot)$  in each of the probability expressions above respectively. Equivalently, F is pseudorandom if

$$\begin{split} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \text{E-prf}(k) &= negl\left(k\right) \;\;, \\ where \; \text{E-prf}(k) &= \sup_{\mathcal{A} \in \text{PPT}} \{|\Pr_{\substack{s \in \{0,1\}^k \\ \mathcal{A}'s \; coins}} [\mathcal{A}^{F(s,\cdot)}(1^k) = 1] - \\ - \Pr_{\substack{f \in \text{Func}_k \\ \mathcal{A}'s \; coins}} [\mathcal{A}^{f(\cdot)}(1^k) = 1]|\} \;\;. \end{split}$$

# Appendix D. Combined Signatures primitive

The syntax of the algorithms and the definition of correctness are provided in Section 6. The security of the scheme is defined in terms of two games:

```
Game share-EUF^{\mathcal{A}} (1^{k})

1: (aux, mpk, n) \leftarrow \mathcal{A} (INIT)

2: for i \leftarrow 1 to n do

3: (pk_{i}, sk_{i}) \leftarrow \text{KEYSHAREGEN} (1^{k})

4: end for

5: (cpk^{*}, pk^{*}, m^{*}, \sigma^{*}) \leftarrow \mathcal{A} (KEYS, aux, pk_{1}, \ldots, pk_{n})

6: if pk^{*} \in \{pk_{1}, \ldots, pk_{n}\} \land cpk^{*} = \text{CombinePubKey} (mpk, pk^{*}) \land \text{VerifyCS} (\sigma^{*}, m^{*}, cpk^{*}) = 1 then

7: return 1

8: else

9: return 0

10: end if
```

Figure 8. Key Share: Existential Unforgeability – Key-Only Attack

**Definition 4.** A Combined Signatures scheme is share-EUF-secure if

$$\begin{split} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \forall \mathcal{A} \in \mathsf{PPT}, \Pr\left[\mathsf{share-EUF}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right) = 1\right] &= negl\left(k\right) \\ &\quad or \ equivalently \\ \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \mathsf{E-share}(k) &= negl\left(k\right) \\ &\quad where \ \mathsf{E-share}(k) = \sup_{\mathcal{A} \in \mathsf{PPT}} \left\{\Pr[\mathsf{share-EUF}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right) = 1]\right\} \\ &\quad \left(cf. \ Fig \ 8\right) \ . \end{split}$$

```
Game master-EUF-CMA^{\mathcal{A}} \left(1^{k}\right)
 1: (mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{MasterKeyGen}(1^k)
 3: (aux_i, response) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(INIT, mpk)
 4: while response can be parsed as (pk, sk, m) do
          i \leftarrow i + 1
          store pk, sk, m as pk_i, sk_i, m_i
 6:
          (cpk_i, csk_i) \leftarrow \text{CombineKey}(mpk, msk, pk_i, sk_i)
 7:
          \sigma_i \leftarrow \text{SignCS}(m_i, csk_i)
 8:
          (\mathtt{aux}_i, \mathtt{response}) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathtt{SIGNATURE}, \mathtt{aux}_{i-1}, \sigma_i)
10: end while
11: parse response as (cpk^*, pk^*, m^*, \sigma^*)
12: if m^* \notin \{m_1, \ldots, m_i\} \land
     cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey}(mpk, pk^*) \land
     VerifyCS (\sigma^*, m^*, cpk^*) = 1 then
13:
          return 1
14: else
15:
         return 0
16: end if
```

Figure 9. Master Key: Existential Unforgeability – Chosen Message Attack

**Definition 5.** A Combined Signatures scheme is master-EUF-CMA-secure if

$$\begin{split} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \forall \mathcal{A} \in \mathsf{PPT}, \\ & \Pr\left[\mathsf{master}\text{-}\mathsf{EUF}\text{-}\mathsf{CMA}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right) = 1\right] = negl\left(k\right) \\ & or \ equivalently \\ & \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \mathsf{E}\text{-}\mathsf{master}(k) = negl\left(k\right) \\ & where \\ & \mathsf{E}\text{-}\mathsf{master}(k) = \sup_{\mathcal{A} \in \mathsf{PPT}} \left\{\Pr[\mathsf{master}\text{-}\mathsf{EUF} - \mathsf{CMA}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right) = 1]\right\} \\ & \left(cf. \ Fig \ 9\right) \ . \end{split}$$

**Definition 6.** A Combined Signatures scheme is combine-EUF-secure if it is both share-EUF-secure and master-EUF-CMA-secure.

In conclusion, a collection of algoritms is said to be a secure Combined Signatures scheme if it conforms to the syntax of the seven aforementioned algorithms, it satisfies the three correctness properties and provides existential unforgeability against key-only attacks with respect to key shares and existential unforgeability against chosen message attacks with respect to master keys.

#### D.1. Construction

We here define the particular construction for Combined Signatures used in LN and prove its security.

Parameters: hash function  $\mathcal{H}$ , group generator GMASTERKEYGEN( $1^k$ , rand): **return** ( $G \cdot \text{rand}$ , rand) KEYSHAREGEN( $1^k$ , rand): **return** ( $G \cdot \text{rand}$ , rand)

COMBINEPUBKEY(mpk, pk):

**return**  $mpk \cdot \mathcal{H}(mpk \parallel pk) + pk \cdot \mathcal{H}(pk \parallel mpk)$ 

Combine Key(mpk, msk, pk, sk):

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{return} & (\texttt{COMBINEPUBKEY}(mpk, pk), msk \\ \mathcal{H}\left(mpk \parallel pk\right) + sk \cdot \mathcal{H}\left(pk \parallel mpk\right)) \end{array}$ 

TestKey(pk, sk):

if  $pk = G \cdot sk$  then

return 1

else

return 0

end if

SignCS(m, csk):

return SignDS(m, csk)VerifyCS $(\sigma, m, cpk)$ :

return VerifyDS( $\sigma$ , m, cpk)

One can check by inspection that the syntax above matches the one required by the Combined Signatures scheme definition. Furthermore, assuming that SignDS() and VerifyDS() are provided by a correct Digital Signature construction, it is straightforward to confirm that the construction here satisfies the Combined Signatures correctness properties. We now move on to proving that the construction is also secure.

Proof of Lemma 1: Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}, \mathcal{B}$  PPT algorithm such that

$$\Pr\left[\mathsf{share}\text{-}\mathsf{EUF}^{\mathcal{B}}\left(1^{k}\right)=1\right]=a>\operatorname{negl}\left(k\right)\ .$$

We construct a PPT distinguisher  $\mathcal{A}$  (Fig. 10) such that

$$\Pr\left[\mathsf{EUF\text{-}CMA}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right)=1\right]>\operatorname{negl}\left(k\right)$$

that breaks the assumption, thus proving Lemma 1.

Let Y be the range of the random oracle. The modified random oracle used in Fig. 10 is indistinguishable from the standard random oracle by PPT algorithms since the statistical distance of the standard random oracle from the modified one is at most  $\frac{1}{2|Y|} < negl(k)$  as they differ in at most one element.

Let E denote the event in which  $\mathcal{B}$  does not invoke CombinePubKey to produce  $cpk^*$ . In that case the val-

```
Algorithm \mathcal{A}(vk)
  1: j \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} U[1, T(\mathcal{B})] // T(M) is the maximum running
           Random Oracle: for every first-seen query q from
     \mathcal{B} set \mathcal{H}(q) to a random value
          return \mathcal{H}(q) to \mathcal{B}
 4: (aux, mpk, n) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(INIT)
 5: for i \leftarrow 1 to n do
           (pk_i, sk_i) \leftarrow \text{KeyShareGen}(1^k)
 7: end for
          Random Oracle: Let q be the jth first-seen query
     from \mathcal{B}:
 9:
          if q = (mpk \parallel x) then
                if \mathcal{H}(x \parallel mpk) unset then
10:
                    set \mathcal{H}(x \parallel mpk) to a random value
11:
12:
               end if
               set \mathcal{H}(mpk \parallel x) to
     (vk - x \cdot \mathcal{H}(x \parallel mpk)) \cdot mpk^{-1}
          else if q = (x \parallel mpk) then
14:
               if \widehat{\mathcal{H}}(mpk \parallel x) unset then
15:
                    set \mathcal{H}(mpk \parallel x) to a random value
16:
17:
                end if
               set \mathcal{H}(x \parallel mpk) to
18:
     (vk - mpk \cdot \mathcal{H}(mpk \parallel x)) \cdot x^{-1}
19:
               set \mathcal{H}(q) to a random value
20:
21:
           end if
           return \mathcal{H}(q) to \mathcal{B}
23: (cpk^*, pk^*, m^*, \sigma^*) \leftarrow \mathcal{B}(\text{KEYS}, \text{aux}, pk_1, \dots, pk_n)
24: if vk = cpk^* \wedge \mathcal{B} wins the share-EUF game then //
     \mathcal{A} won the EUF-CMA game
25:
          return (m^*, \sigma^*)
26: else
27:
           return FAIL
28: end if
```

Figure 10.

ues  $\mathcal{H}\left(pk^* \parallel mpk\right)$  and  $\mathcal{H}\left(mpk \parallel pk^*\right)$  are decided after  $\mathcal{B}$  terminates (Fig. 10, line 24) and thus

$$\Pr\left[cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey}\left(mpk, pk^*\right) | E\right] = \\ = \frac{1}{|Y|} < negl\left(k\right) \Rightarrow \\ \Pr\left[cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey}\left(mpk, pk^*\right) \land E\right] < \\ < negl\left(k\right) \ .$$

It is

$$(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}) \to (cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey} (mpk, pk^*)) \Rightarrow \\ \Pr\left[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}\right] \le \\ \le \Pr\left[cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey} (mpk, pk^*)\right] \Rightarrow \\ \Pr\left[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \land E\right] \le \\ \le \Pr\left[cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey} (mpk, pk^*) \land E\right] \stackrel{(3)}{\Rightarrow} \\ \Pr\left[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \land E\right] < negl(k).$$

But we know that  $\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}] = \Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \land E] +$ 

 $\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins} \land \neg E] \text{ and } \Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}] = a \text{ by the assumption, thus}$ 

$$\Pr\left[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge \neg E\right] > a - negl(k)$$
 . (4)

We now focus at the event  $\neg E$ . Let F the event in which the call of  $\mathcal B$  to CombinePubKey to produce  $cpk^*$  results in the jth invocation of the Random Oracle. Since j is chosen uniformly at random and using Proposition 2,  $\Pr[F|\neg E] = \frac{1}{T(\mathcal B)}$ . Observe that  $\Pr[F|E] = 0 \Rightarrow \Pr[F] = \Pr[F|\neg E] = \frac{1}{T(\mathcal B)}$ .

In the case where the event  $(F \wedge \mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge \neg E)$  holds, it is

$$cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey}(mpk, pk^*) = mpk \cdot \mathcal{H}(mpk \parallel pk^*) + pk^* \cdot \mathcal{H}(pk^* \parallel mpk)$$

Since F holds, the jth invocation of the Random Oracle queried either the value  $\mathcal{H}\left(mpk\parallel pk^*\right)$  or  $\mathcal{H}\left(pk^*\parallel mpk\right)$ . In either case (Fig. 10, lines 9-18), it is  $cpk^*=vk$ . This means that VERIFYCS  $(\sigma^*, m^*, vk)=1$ . We conclude that in the event  $(F \wedge \mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge \neg E)$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  wins the EUFCMA game. A final observation is that the probability that the events  $(\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge \neg E)$  and F are almost independent, thus

$$\Pr[F \land \mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \land \neg E] =$$

$$= \Pr[F] \Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \land \neg E] \pm negl(k) \stackrel{(4)}{=}$$

$$\frac{a - negl(k)}{T(\mathcal{B})} \pm negl(k) > negl(k)$$

Proof of Lemma 2: Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}, \mathcal{B}$  PPT algorithm such that

$$\Pr\left[\mathsf{master}\text{-}\mathsf{EUF}\text{-}\mathsf{CMA}^{\mathcal{B}}\left(1^{k}\right)=1\right]=a>\operatorname{negl}\left(k\right)$$
 .

We construct a PPT distinguisher  $\mathcal{A}$  (Fig. 11) such that

$$\Pr\left[\mathsf{EUF\text{-}CMA}^{\mathcal{A}}\left(1^{k}\right)=1\right]>\operatorname{negl}\left(k\right)$$

that breaks the assumption, thus proving Lemma 2.

The modified random oracle used in Fig. 11 is indistinguishable from the standard random oracle for the same reasons as in the proof of Lemma 1.

Let E denote the event in which COMBINEPUBKEY is not invoked to produce  $cpk^*$ . In that case the values  $\mathcal{H}(pk^* \parallel mpk)$  and  $\mathcal{H}(mpk \parallel pk^*)$  are decided after  $\mathcal{B}$  terminates (Fig. 11, line 30) and thus

$$\Pr\left[cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey}\left(mpk, pk^*\right) | E\right] < \\ < negl\left(k\right) \Rightarrow \\ \Pr\left[cpk^* = \text{CombinePubKey}\left(mpk, pk^*\right) \land E\right] < \\ < negl\left(k\right) \ . \tag{5}$$

We can reason like in the proof of Lemma 1 to deduce that

$$\Pr\left[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \wedge \neg E\right] > a - negl\left(k\right) . \tag{6}$$

We now focus at the event  $\neg E$ . Let F the event in which the call of to CombinePubKey that produces

```
Algorithm \mathcal{A}(vk)
 1: j \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} U[1, T(\mathcal{B}) + T(\mathcal{A})] // T(M) is the maximum
          Random Oracle: for every first-seen query q from
     \mathcal{B} set \mathcal{H}(q) to a random value
          return \mathcal{H}(q) to \mathcal{B}
 4: (mpk, msk) \leftarrow \text{MasterKeyGen}(1^k)
          Random Oracle: Let q be the jth first-seen query
     from \mathcal{B} or \mathcal{A}:
          if q = (mpk \parallel x) then
 6:
 7:
               if \mathcal{H}(x \parallel mpk) unset then
                    set \mathcal{H}(x \parallel mpk) to a random value
 8:
 9:
               end if
               set \mathcal{H}(mpk || x) to
10:
     (vk - x \cdot \mathcal{H}(x \parallel mpk)) \cdot mpk^{-1}
          else if q = (x \parallel mpk) then
11:
               if \mathcal{H}(mpk \parallel x) unset then
12:
13:
                    set \mathcal{H}(mpk || x) to a random value
               end if
14:
               set \mathcal{H}(x \parallel mpk) to
15:
     (vk - mpk \cdot \mathcal{H}(mp\hat{k} \parallel x)) \cdot x^{-1}
16:
17:
               set \mathcal{H}(q) to a random value
          end if
18:
          return \mathcal{H}(q) to \mathcal{B} or \mathcal{A}
19:
21: (aux_i, response) \leftarrow \mathcal{B}(INIT, mpk)
22: while response can be parsed as (pk, sk, m) do
          i \leftarrow i + 1
23.
24:
          store pk, sk, m as pk_i, sk_i, m_i
           (cpk_i, csk_i) \leftarrow \text{CombineKey}(mpk, msk, pk_i, sk_i)
          \sigma_i \leftarrow \text{SignCS}(m_i, csk_i)
26:
          (\mathtt{aux}_i, \mathtt{response}) \leftarrow \mathcal{B}\left(\mathtt{SIGNATURE}, \mathtt{aux}_{i-1}, \sigma_i\right)
28: end while
29: parse response as (cpk^*, pk^*, m^*, \sigma^*)
    if vk = cpk^* \wedge \mathcal{B} wins the master-EUF-CMA game
     then // \mathcal{A} won the EUF-CMA game
          return (m^*, \sigma^*)
31:
32: else
33:
          return FAIL
34: end if
```

Figure 11.

 $cpk^*$  results in the jth invocation of the Random Oracle. Since j is chosen uniformly at random and using Proposition 2,  $\Pr[F|\neg E] = \frac{1}{T(\mathcal{B}) + T(\mathcal{A})}$ . Observe that  $\Pr[F|E] = 0 \Rightarrow \Pr[F] = \Pr[F|\neg E] = \frac{1}{T(\mathcal{B}) + T(\mathcal{A})}$ .

Once more we can reason in the same fashion as in the proof of Lemma 1 to deduce that

$$\begin{split} & \Pr\left[F \wedge \mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \land \neg E\right] = \\ & = \Pr\left[F\right] \Pr\left[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins } \land \neg E\right] \pm negl\left(k\right) \stackrel{(6)}{=} \\ & \frac{a - negl\left(k\right)}{T\left(\mathcal{B}\right) + T\left(\mathcal{A}\right)} \pm negl\left(k\right) > negl\left(k\right) \end{split}$$

 $Proof\ of\ Theorem\ 1:$  The construction is combine-EUF-secure as a consequence of Lemma 1, Lemma 2 and

the definition of combine-EUF-security.

### Appendix E. Transaction Structure

A well-formed transaction consists of a list of inputs and a list of outputs. For the transaction to be valid, each input must be connected to a single valid, previously unconnected (unspent) output of another transaction in  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ .

A well-formed output consists of a value in coins and a list of "spending methods". A well-formed input consists of a reference to a previously unconnected output and a reference to a single of the latter's spending methods, along with the data needed to satisfy that method. A well-formed spending method contains any combination of the following:

- Public keys in disjunctive normal form. An input that spends using this spending method must contain signatures valid by the public keys of one of the conjunctions. If no public keys are specified in the output, no signatures are needed in the input.
- Absolute locktime  $d_a$ , in block height or time. An input that spends this output can only be in block of height at least  $d_a$  if  $d_a$  is a block height, or enter the ledger on or after time  $d_a$  otherwise. Zero means no absolute locktime.
- Relative locktime  $d_r$ , in block height or time. The distance of an input that spends this output must be at least  $d_r$ , counted in block height or time. Zero means no relative locktime.
- Hashlock value. The output can be spent by an input that contains a preimage that hashes to the hashlock value. If no hashlock value is specified in the output, no preimage is needed in the spending input.

Lastly, the sum of coins of the outputs referenced by the inputs of the transaction (to-be-spent outputs) should be greater than or equal to the sum of coins of the outputs of the transaction.

We say that an unspent output is currently exclusively spendable by a player Alice with a public key pk and a hash list hl if for each spending method one of the following two holds:

- It still has a locktime that has not expired and thus is currently unspendable, or
- The only specified public key is pk and if there is a hashlock, its hash is contained in hl.

If an output is exclusively spendable, we say that its coins are exclusively spendable.

# Appendix F. Payment Network Functionality

### Functionality $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}}$ – interface from $\mathcal{E}$ : - (REGISTER, delay, relayDelay) (TOPPEDUP) (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, tid) - (CHECKFORNEW, Alice, Bob, tid) - (PAY, Bob, x, path, expayid) (CLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid) (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid) (PUSHFULFILL, pchid) (PUSHADD, pchid) (COMMIT, pchid) (FULFILLONCHAIN) - (getnews) to $\mathcal{E}$ : (REGISTER, Alice, delay(Alice), relayDelay(Alice), pubKey)(REGISTERED) (NEWS, newChannels, closedChannels, updatesToReport, paymentsToReport) • from S: (REGISTERDONE, Alice, pubKey) (CORRUPTED, Alice) (CHANNELANNOUNCED, Alice, $p_{Alice,F}$ , $p_{Bob,F}$ , fchid, pchid, tid) (NEWUPDATE, receipt, Alice) - (NEWPAYMENTS, payments, Alice) (CLOSEDCHANNEL, channel, Alice) (RESOLVEPAYS, charged) (ADVERSARY OPEN CHANNEL, x, bobDelay, tid, intid, from Alice, to Bob) (ADVERSARYSENDINVOICE, x, expayid, payid, invid, from Alice, to Bob) • to S: - (REGISTER, Alice, delay, relayDelay) - (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, fchid, tid) - (CHANNELOPENED, Alice, fchid) (PAY, Alice, Bob, x, path, expayid, payid, STATE, $\Sigma$ ) (CONTINUE) (CLOSECHANNEL, fchid, Alice) (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, fchid, Alice) (POLL, $\Sigma_{Alice}$ , Alice) (PUSHFULFILL, pchid, Alice) (PUSHADD, pchid, Alice) (COMMIT, pchid, Alice) - (FULFILLONCHAIN, t, Alice) (ADVERSARYOPENCHANNEL, fchid, intid) (ADVERSARYSENDINVOICE, invid)

her future channels. The first denotes how often she has to check the blockchain for revoked commitments and the second defines the minimum time distance between incoming and outgoing CLTV expiries.  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  then informs  $\mathcal{S}$ , who sends back a long-lived public key for Alice. This key represents Alice's account, from where  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  can get coins to open new channels on her behalf and to place coins of closed channels. The key is sent to Alice who moves some initial funds to it and notifies  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ . She is now registered. The exact logic is found in Fig. 13, which also contains the actions of  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  related to corruptions.

Figure 12.

All players need to register in order to use channels. The registration of *Alice* works as follows: *Alice* inputs her desired delay and relayDelay that will be used for all

Additionally, the procedure checkClosed() is called after READing from  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ , with the received state  $\Sigma$  as input. This call happens every time  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  READs from  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ . The formal definition of checkClosed() can be found in Fig. 22, along with a discussion of its purpose.

```
Functionality \mathcal{F}_{PavNet} – registration and corruption
 1: Initialisation:
        channels, pendingPay, pendingOpen \leftarrow \emptyset
 2:
 3:
        pendingDiffs, corrupted, \Sigma \leftarrow \emptyset
 4: Upon receiving (REGISTER, delay, relayDelay) from
        delay(Alice) \leftarrow delay // Must check chain at
    least once every delay(Alice) blocks
       relayDelay(Alice) \leftarrow relayDelay
    updatesToReport (Alice), newChannels (Alice) \leftarrow \emptyset
        polls(Alice) \leftarrow \emptyset
 8:
        focs(Alice) \leftarrow \emptyset
10:
        send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} as Alice, store reply to
    \Sigma_{Alice}, add \Sigma_{Alice} to \Sigma and add largest block number
    to polls(Alice)
11:
        checkClosed(\Sigma_{Alice})
12:
        send (REGISTER, Alice, delay, relay Delay) to S
13: Upon receiving (REGISTERDONE, Alice, pubKey)
    from S:
14:
        pubKey(Alice) \leftarrow pubKey
        send (REGISTER, Alice, delay(Alice),
15:
    relayDelay(Alice), pubKey) to Alice
16: Upon receiving (TOPPEDUP) from Alice:
        send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} as Alice and store reply
17:
    to \Sigma_{Alice}
18:
        checkClosed(\Sigma_{Alice})
        assign the sum of all output values that are
19:
    exclusively spendable by Alice to onChainBalance
        send (REGISTERED) to Alice
20:
21: Upon receiving any message (M) except for
    (REGISTER) or (TOPPEDUP) from Alice:
        if if haven't received (REGISTER) and
    (TOPPEDUP) from Alice (in this order) then
23:
            send (INVALID, M) to Alice and ignore
    message
24:
        end if
25: Upon receiving (CORRUPTED, Alice) from S:
        add Alice to corrupted
26:
        for the rest of the execution, upon receiving any
    message for Alice, bypass normal execution and
    simply forward it to S
```

### Figure 13.

The process of *Alice* opening a channel with *Bob* is as follows: First *Alice* asks  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  to open and  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  informs  $\mathcal{S}$ .  $\mathcal{S}$  provides the necessary keys and IDs for the new channel to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ . *Alice* asks  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  to check if  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  contains the funding transaction from *Alice*'s point of view. If it does,  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  activates  $\mathcal{S}$ , who in turn returns control to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ . Now  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  checks that the funding transaction is in the  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  also from Bob's point of view and in case it does, it notifies  $\mathcal{S}$ .  $\mathcal{S}$ 

then confirms that to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  that the channel is open and  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  finally stores the channel as open. This last exchange is needed to match the real-world interaction.

```
Functionality \mathcal{F}_{PavNet} – initiate open
 1: Upon receiving (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, tid)
    from Alice:
       ensure tid hasn't been used by Alice for opening
    another channel before
       choose unique channel ID fchid
4:
       pendingOpen (fchid) \leftarrow (Alice, Bob, x, tid)
       send (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, fchid, tid) to
5:
6: Upon receiving (ADVERSARY OPEN CHANNEL, x,
    bobDelay, tid, intid, from\ Alice, to\ Bob) from S:
7:
       ensure Alice is corrupted and Bob is not
       ensure tid, intid haven't been associated with
    Alice when opening another channel before
9:
       choose unique channel ID fchid
10:
       pendingOpen(fchid) \leftarrow (Alice, Bob, x, tid)
11:
       send (ADVERSARYOPENCHANNEL, fchid, intid) to
```

Figure 14.

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Functionality \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}} – negotiate open
 1: Upon receiving (CHANNELANNOUNCED, Alice,
    p_{Alice,F}, p_{Bob,F}, fchid, pchid, tid) from S:
        ensure that there is a pendingOpen(fchid) entry
    with temporary id tid
        add p_{Alice,F}, p_{Bob,F}, pchid and mark "Alice
    announced" to pendingOpen(fchid)
 4: Upon receiving (CHECKFORNEW, Alice, Bob, tid)
        ensure there is a matching channel in
    pendingOpen(fchid), marked with "Alice announced"
        (\text{funder}, \text{fundee}, x, p_{Alice, F}, p_{Bob, F}) \leftarrow
    pendingOpen(fchid)
        send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} as Alice and store reply
    to \Sigma_{Alice}
 8:
        checkClosed(\Sigma_{Alice})
        ensure that there is a TX F \in \Sigma_{Alice} with a
 9:
    (x, (p_{\text{funder},F} \land p_{\text{fundee},F})) output
        mark channel with "waiting for
10:
    FUNDINGLOCKED"
        send (FUNDINGLOCKED, Alice, \Sigma_{Alice}, fchid) to \mathcal{S}
11:
12: Upon receiving (FUNDINGLOCKED, fchid) from S:
        ensure a channel is in pendingOpen(fchid).
    marked with "waiting for FUNDINGLOCKED" and
    replace mark with "waiting for CHANNELOPENED"
14:
        send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} as Bob and store reply to
        checkClosed(\Sigma_{Bob})
15:
        ensure that there is a TX F \in \Sigma_{Bob} with a
16:
    (x, (p_{\text{funder},F} \land p_{\text{fundee},F})) output
        add receipt(channel) to newChannels(Bob)
17:
        send (FUNDINGLOCKED, Bob, \Sigma_{Bob}, fchid) to S
18:
19: Upon receiving (CHANNELOPENED, fchid) from S:
        ensure a channel is in pendingOpen(fchid),
    marked with "waiting for CHANNELOPENED" and
    remove mark
        offChainBalance(funder) \leftarrow
21:
    offChainBalance (funder) + x
        onChainBalance (funder) \leftarrow
22:
    onChainBalance (funder) -x
23:
        channel \leftarrow (funder, fundee, x, 0, 0, fchid, pchid)
24:
        add channel to channels
        \operatorname{add} receipt(channel) to newChannels(Alice)
25:
        clear pendingOpen(fchid) entry
26:
```

### Figure 15.

When instructed to perform a payment,  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  simply takes note of the message and forwards it to  $\mathcal{S}$ . It also remembers to inform the payer that the payment has been completed when  $\mathcal{S}$  says so. Observe here that  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  trusts  $\mathcal{S}$  to correctly carry out channel updates. While counterintuitive, it allows  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  to ignore the details of channel updates, signatures, key and transaction handling. Nevertheless, as we will see  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  keeps

track of requested and ostensibly carried out updates and ensures that upon channel closure the balances are as expected, therefore ensuring funds security.

```
Functionality \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}} – pay
 1: Upon receiving (PAY, Bob, x, path, expayid) from
 2:
       choose unique payment ID payid
 3.
       add (Alice, Bob, x, \overline{path}, expayid, payid) to
    pendingPay
       send (PAY, Alice, Bob, x, path, expayid, payid,
    STATE, \Sigma) to \mathcal{S}
 5: Upon receiving (ADVERSARYSENDINVOICE, x,
    expayid, payid, invid, from Alice, to Bob) from S:
       ensure Alice is corrupted and Bob is not
       ensure payid, invid haven't been associated with
    Alice when starting another payment before
       add (Alice, Bob, x, \bot, expayid, payid) to
    pendingPay
       send (adversarySendInvoice, invid) to {\cal S}
10: Upon receiving (NEWUPDATE, receipt, Alice) from
11:
       append receipt to updatesToReport(Alice) //
    trust S here, check on RESOLVEPAYS
       send (CONTINUE) to {\cal S}
13: Upon receiving (NEWPAYMENTS, payments, Alice)
    from S:
14:
       add payments to pendingDiffs
       strip payid from each member of payments and
15:
    add them to paymentsToReport(Alice)
       send (CONTINUE) to {\cal S}
```

Figure 16.

The message RESOLVEPAYS, sent by S, is supposed to contain a list of resolved payments, along with who was charged for each payment after all. For each entry there are four "happy paths" that do not lead to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  halting ( $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  halts when it cannot uphold its security guarantees anymore): if the payment failed and no balance is changed, if the charged player is the one who initiated the payment, if the charged player is corrupted or if she has not checked the blockchain at the right times, i.e. was negligent (as discussed in Section 4 and formally defined in Figures 17 and 18). In case the payment was completed in a legal manner, the balance of all channels involved is updated accordingly (Fig. 20). Conversely,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  halts if the charged player was not on the payment path (Fig. 17, l. 14), if a signature forgery has taken place (Fig. 19, l. 4), if the charged player has not been negligent (Fig. 19, ll. 7 and 15), or if any one of the individual channel updates needed to carry out the whole payment has not been previously reported with an UPDATE message by S (Fig. 20, l. 10).

```
Functionality \mathcal{F}_{PayNet} – resolve payments
 1: Upon receiving (RESOLVEPAYS, charged) from S: //
    after first sending PAY, PUSHFULFILL, PUSHADD,
 2:
        for all Alice \text{ keys} \in \text{charged do}
            for all (Dave, payid, ?path) \in charged(Alice)
 3:
    do
 4:
     (Alice, Bob, x, \overline{\mathtt{path}}, expayid, payid) and remove it
    from pendingPay
               if there is a path in neither or both the
    {\tt pendingPay} \ {\rm and} \ {\tt charged} \ {\rm entries} \ {\tt then}
                   halt
 6:
                end if
 7:
 8:
               if Dave = \bot then // Payment failed
                   if there is an (expayid, payid, __) entry
 9:
    in pendingDiffs(Alice) or pendingDiffs(Bob) AND
    Alice or Bob respectively is honest then
10:
                       halt
                   end if
11:
                   continue with next iteration of inner
12:
    loop
13:
                else if Dave \notin \overline{path} then
                   halt // Only players on path may be
14:
    charged
                else if Dave \in \text{corrupted then}
15:
                   run code of Fig. 20
16:
17:
                   increase offChainBalance(Bob) by x
18:
                else // Dave honest
19:
                   run code of Fig. 19
               end if
20:
21:
            end for
22:
        end for
```

Figure 17. r, windowSize as in Proposition 1

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Absolute delay failure condition

IncomingCltvExpiry - OutgoingCltvExpiry < relayDelay(Alice) + (2+r) windowSize \lor (polls(Dave) contains two elements in [OutgoingCltvExpiry, IncomingCltvExpiry - (2+r) windowSize] that have a difference of at least (2+r) windowSize \land focs(Dave) contains
IncomingCltvExpiry - (2+r) windowSize \land the element in polls(Dave) was added before the element in focs(Dave))
```

Figure 18.

```
Honest payer
 1: send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} as Dave and store reply to
 2: \ \mathtt{checkClosed}(\Sigma_{Dave})
 3: if \Sigma_{Dave} contains a tx that is not a localCom<sub>n</sub> or a
    remoteCom_n and spends a funding tx for an open
    channel that contains Dave then
       halt // DS forgery
 5: else if \Sigma_{Dave} contains in block h_{tx} an old
    remoteCom_m that does not contain the HTLC and a
    tx that spends the delayed output of remoteCom_m
    then
        if polls(Dave) contains an element in
    [h_{tx}, h_{tx} + delay(Dave) - 1] then
           halt // Dave Polled, but successful malicious
    closure
        else
 8:
 9:
           negligent(Dave) \leftarrow true
10:
        end if
11: else if Dave \neq Alice then
        calculate IncomingCltvExpiry,
12:
    OutgoingCltvExpiry of Dave (as in Fig. 37, l. 9)
13:
       if \Sigma_{Dave} does not contain an old remoteCom<sub>m</sub>
    then
           if failure condition of Fig. 18 is true then
14:
15:
               halt // Dave POLLed and fulfilled, but
    charged
16:
           else
17:
               negligent(Dave) \leftarrow true
18:
           end if
19:
        end if
20: end if
21: run code of Fig. 20
22: decrease offChainBalance(Dave) by x
23: increase offChainBalance(Bob) by x
```

Figure 19.

```
Loop over payment hops for update and check
 1: for all open channels \in path that are not in any
    closedChannels, starting from the one where Dave
    pays do
       in the first iteration, payer is Dave. In
    subsequent iterations, payer is the unique player
    that has received but has not given. The other
    channel party is payee
       if payer has x or more in channel then
           update channel to the next version and
    {\it transfer} \,\, x \,\, {\it from payer} \,\, to \,\, {\it payee}
 5:
           revert all updates done in this loop
 6:
        end if
8: end for
9: for all updated channels in the previous loop do
       ensure that an element reporting the new balance
    exists either in the updatesToReport or the
    updatesHistory of each honest party and that
    element has not been checked by the current line in
    the past, otherwise halt
11: end for
12: if Dave = Alice \land Alice \notin \texttt{corrupted} \land
    (expayid, payid, -x) \notin pendingDiffs(Alice) then //
    payer not informed
       halt
13:
14: end if
15: remove (expayid, payid, -x) from
    pendingDiffs(Alice)
16: if Bob \notin \texttt{corrupted} \land (expayid, payid, x) \notin
    pendingDiffs(Bob) then // payee not informed
       halt
18: end if
19: remove (expayid, payid, x) from pendingDiffs(Bob)
```

Figure 20.

Similarly to payment instructions, when  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$ receives a message instructing it to close a channel (Fig. 21), it takes a note of the pending closure, it stops serving any more requests for this channel and it forwards the request to S. In turn S notifies  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$  of a closed channel with the corresponding message, upon which  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}}$  takes a note to inform the corresponding player. Depending on whether the message instructed for a unilateral or a cooperative close,  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$  will either put or not a time limit respectively to the service of the request. In particular, in case of cooperative close, the time limit is infinity (l. 4). As we will see, in case a unilateral close request was made and the time limit for servicing it is reached,  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  halts (Fig. 22, l. 27). Once more  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  trusts  $\mathcal{S}$ , but later checks that the chain contains the correct transactions with checkClosed() (Fig. 22).

```
Functionality \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}} - \mathrm{close}
 1: Upon receiving (CLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid)
    from Alice
       ensure that there is a
    channel \in channels : receipt (channel) = receipt
    with ID pchid
       retrieve fchid from channel
       add (fchid, receipt(channel), \infty) to
   pendingClose(Alice)
       do not serve any other (PAY, CLOSECHANNEL)
   message from Alice for this channel
       send (CLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid, Alice) to
 7: Upon receiving (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, receipt,
    pchid) from Alice
       retrieve fchid from channel
       add (fchid, receipt(channel), \perp) to
   pendingClose(Alice)
       do not serve any other (PAY, CLOSECHANNEL,
    FORCECLOSECHANNEL) message from Alice for this
    channel
       send (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid,
    Alice) to S
12: Upon receiving (CLOSEDCHANNEL, channel, Alice)
    from S:
       remove any (fchid of channel, receipt(channel),
    \infty) from pendingClose(Alice)
       add (fchid of channel, receipt(channel), \perp) to
    {\tt closedChannels}(Alice) // trust {\cal S} here, check on
    checkClosed()
```

Figure 21.

send (CONTINUE) to  $\mathcal{S}$ 

After every READ  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  sends to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  and its response is received, checkClosed() (Fig. 22) is called.  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  checks the input state  $\Sigma$  for transactions that close channels and, in case no security violation has taken place, it updates the on- and off-chain balances of the player accordingly (ll. 6-15). The possible security violations are: signature forgery (l. 17), malicious closure even though the player was not negligent (l. 20), no closing transaction in  $\Sigma$  even though the player asked for channel closure a substantial amount of time before (l. 27) and incorrect on- or off-chain balance after the closing of all of the player's channels (l. 31).

```
Functionality \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}} - checkClosed()
 1: function checkClosed(\Sigma_{Alice}) // Called after every
    (READ), ensures requested closes eventually happen
        if there is any closing/commitment transaction
    in \Sigma_{Alice} with no corresponding entry in
    pendingClose(Alice) \cup closedChannels(Alice) then
           add (fchid, receipt, \perp) to
    closedChannels(Alice), where fchid is the ID of the
    corresponding channel, receipt comes from the
    latest channel state
 4:
        end if
        for all entries (fchid, \mathtt{receipt}, h) \in
 5:
    pendingClose(Alice) \cup closedChannels(Alice) do
           if there is a closing/commitment transaction
    in \Sigma_{Alice} for open channel with ID fchid with a
    balance that corresponds to receipt then
               let x, y Alice's and channel counterparty
    Bob's balances respectively
               reduce offChainBalance(Alice) by x
 8:
               increase on Chain Balance (Alice) by x
 9:
10:
               reduce offChainBalance(Bob) by y
11:
               increase on Chain Balance (Bob) by y
               remove channel from channels and entry
12:
    from pendingClose(Alice)
               if there is an (fchid, __, __) entry in
13:
    {\tt pendingClose}(Bob) \ {\bf then}
14:
                   remove it from pendingClose(Bob)
               end if
15:
16:
           else if there is a tx in \Sigma_{Alice} that is not a
    closing/commitment tx and spends the funding tx of
    the channel with ID fchid then
               halt // DS forgery
17:
           else if there is a commitment transaction in
18:
    block of height h in \Sigma_{Alice} for open channel with ID
    fchid with a balance that does not correspond to the
    receipt and the delayed output has been spent by
    the counterparty then
               if polls(Alice) contains an entry in
    [h, h + \mathtt{delay}(Alice) - 1] then
20:
21:
               else
                   negligent(Alice) \leftarrow true
22:
23:
               end if
           else if there is no such closing/commitment
    transaction \wedge h = \bot then
25:
               assign largest \Sigma_{Alice} block no. to entry's h
           else if there is no such closing/commitment
26:
    transaction \land h \neq \bot \land (largest block number of
    \Sigma_{Alice}) \geq h + (2+r) windowSize then
27:
               halt
           end if
28:
29:
        end for
       if Alice has no open channels in
    \Sigma_{Alice} \wedge \mathtt{negligent}(Alice) =
    false \land (offChainBalance(Alice) \neq 0 \lor
    onChainBalance(Alice) is not equal to the total
    funds exclusively spendable by Alice in \Sigma_{Alice}) then
31:
        end if
33: end function
```

Figure 22.

POLL is a request that every player has to make to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  periodically (once every delay blocks, as set on registration) in order to remain non-negligent. In a software implementation, such a request would be automatically sent at safe time intervals. When receiving POLL (Fig. 23),  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  checks the ledger for maliciously closed channels and halts in case of a forgery (l. 6) or in case of a successful malicious closing of a channel whilst the offended player was non-negligent (l. 11). If on the other hand a channel has been closed maliciously but the offended player did not POLL in time, she is marked as negligent (l. 13).

```
Functionality \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}} - \mathrm{poll}
 1: Upon receiving (POLL) from Alice:
        send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} as Alice and store reply
 2:
    to \Sigma_{Alice}
        add largest block number in \Sigma_{Alice} to
    polls(Alice)
        \mathtt{checkClosed}(\Sigma_{Alice})
 4:
        if \existschannel \in \Sigma_{Alice} that contains Alice and is
    closed by a tx that is not a commitment transaction
    then
 6:
            halt // DS forgery
 7:
        end if
        for all channels \in \Sigma_{Alice} that contain Alice and
    are maliciously closed by a remote commitment tx
    (one with an older channel version than the
    irrevocably committed one) in block with height h_{tx}
 9:
            if the delayed output (of the counterparty)
    has been spent then
                if polls(Alice) has an element in
    [h_{tx}, h_{tx} + delay(Alice) - 1] then
                    halt // Alice wasn't negligent but
11:
    couldn't punish
12:
                    negligent(Alice) \leftarrow true
13:
14:
                end if
            end if
15:
16:
        end for
17:
        send (POLL, \Sigma_{Alice}, Alice) to \mathcal{S}
```

Figure 23.

The last part of  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  (Fig. 24) contains some additional "daemon" messages that help various processes carry on. PUSHFULFILL, PUSHADD and COMMIT are simply forwarded to  $\mathcal{S}$ . They exist because the "token of execution" in the protocol does not follow the strict order required by UC, and thus some additional messages are needed for the protocol to carry on. In other words, they are needed due to the incompatibility of the serial execution of UC and the asynchronous nature of LN.

FULFILLONCHAIN has to be sent by a multi-hop payment intermediary that has not been paid by the previous player off-chain in order to close the channel.

The request is noted and forwarded to  $\mathcal{S}$ . GETNEWS requests from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  information on newly opened, closed and updated channels.

### Functionality $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$ – daemon messages

- 1: Upon receiving (PUSHFULFILL, pchid) from Alice:
- 2: send (PushFulfill, pchid, Alice, state,  $\Sigma$ ) to S
- 3: Upon receiving (PUSHADD, pchid) from Alice:
- 4: send (PUSHADD, pchid, Alice, STATE,  $\Sigma$ ) to  $\mathcal{S}$
- 5: Upon receiving (COMMIT, pchid) from Alice:
- 6: send (COMMIT, pchid, Alice, STATE,  $\Sigma$ ) to  $\mathcal{S}$
- 7: Upon receiving (FULFILLONCHAIN) from Alice:
- 8: send (READ) to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  as Alice, store reply to  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  and assign largest block number to t
- 9: add t to focs(Alice)
- 10:  ${\tt checkClosed}(\Sigma_{Alice})$
- 11: send (FULFILLONCHAIN, t, Alice) to S
- 12: Upon receiving (GETNEWS) from Alice:
- 13: copy members of updatesToReport(Alice) to updatesHistory(Alice)
- 14: clear newChannels(Alice),
  closedChannels(Alice), updatesToReport(Alice),
  paymentsToReport(Alice) and send them to Alice
  with message name NEWS, stripping fchid and h
  from closedChannels(Alice)

Figure 24.

### Appendix G. Channel data

- Alice's secret keys:
  - $s_{Alice}$ : key for on-chain funds (DS)<sup>a</sup>
- $-s_{Alice,F}$ : funding (DS)
- $-sb_{Alice,pay}$ : payment basepoint (IBS)<sup>b</sup>
- $-sb_{Alice,dpay}$ : delayed payment basepoint (IBS)
- $-sb_{Alice,htlc}$ : htlc basepoint (IBS)
- $sb_{Alice,rev}$ : revocation basepoint (CS $^c$  master)
- Bob's public keys: public counterparts to 5 keys above
- seed: for deriving Alice's per commitment keys  $s_{Alice,com,i}$  with PRF
- Bob's per commitment points:
- $\forall i \in [1, ..., n], s_{Bob, com, i}$ : one secret per RE-VOKEANDACK received (CS – share)
- $p_{Bob,\text{com},n+1}$  and  $p_{Bob,\text{com},n+2}$ : current and next points (CS share)
- Alice's coins
- Bob's coins
- for every HTLC that is included in the latest irrevocably committed (local or remote) commitment:
  - direction (Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob or Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice)
  - hash
  - preimage (if known)
  - coins
  - Is it included in latest  $localCom_n$ ? (boolean)
- HTLC number
- signatures:
  - signature resulting from SIGNDS(localCom<sub>n+1</sub>,  $s_{Bob,F}$ ) (DS)
  - for every HTLC included in  $localCom_{n+1}$ , if HTLC is outgoing, a signature for HTLC-timeout, else a signature for HTLC-success with  $s_{Bob,htlc,n+1}$  (IBS)
- a. basic Digital Signature
- b. Identity Based Signature
- c. Combined Signature

Figure 25. Data Alice holds in an Alice – Bob channel with n updates

### Appendix H. Lightning Protocol

Similarly to Fig. 13 of  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ , the registration of a new player consists of the generation a new keypair, the topping up of the public key with some initial funds and the non-serving of any other messages until registration

is complete. The main difference is that here the keypair is generated locally.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} (self is Alice always) – support
 1: Initialisation:
 2:
          channels, pendingOpen, pendingPay \leftarrow \emptyset
          \texttt{pendingClose}, \texttt{newChannels} \leftarrow \emptyset
 3:
 4:
          closedChannels, updatesToReport \leftarrow \emptyset
          \texttt{paymentsToReport} \leftarrow \emptyset
 5:
           	ext{unclaimedOfferedHTLCs}, 	ext{gotPaid} \leftarrow \emptyset
          \texttt{unclaimedReceivedHTLCs}, \texttt{pendingGetPaid} \leftarrow \emptyset
 8: Upon receiving (REGISTER, delay, relayDelay) from
     \mathcal{E}:
          delay ← delay // Must check chain at least once
     every delay blocks
          relayDelay \leftarrow relayDelay
10:
           send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}} and assign reply to \Sigma_{Alice}
11:
          (pk_{Alice}, sk_{Alice}) \leftarrow \check{\text{KeyGen}}()
12:
          send (REGISTER, Alice, delay, relayDelay,
13:
     pk_{Alice}) to \mathcal{E}
14: Upon receiving (TOPPEDUP) from \mathcal{E}:
15:
          send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} and assign reply to \Sigma_{Alice}
16:
           assign the sum of all output values that are
     exclusively spendable by Alice to onChainBalance
          send (REGISTERED) to {\cal E}
17:
18: Upon receiving any message (M) except for
     (REGISTER) or (TOPPEDUP):
          if if haven't received (REGISTER) and
19:
     (TOPPEDUP) from \mathcal{E} (in this order) then
               send (INVALID, M) to \mathcal{E} and ignore message
20:
21:
           end if
22: function GetKeys
          (p_F, s_F) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}() // \text{ For } F \text{ output}
23:
          (p_{\text{pay}}, s_{\text{pay}}) \leftarrow \text{Setup}() // \text{ For com output to}
          (p_{\text{dpay}}, s_{\text{dpay}}) \leftarrow \text{Setup}() // \text{ For com output to}
25:
     self
          (p_{\mathrm{htlc}}, s_{\mathrm{htlc}}) \leftarrow \mathrm{Setup}\left(\right) \ // \ \mathrm{For \ htlc} \ \mathrm{output} \ \mathrm{to} \ \mathrm{self}
26:
27:
           seed \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} U(k) // For per compoint
           (p_{\text{rev}}, s_{\text{rev}}) \leftarrow \text{MasterKeyGen}() // \text{ For}
     revocation in com
29:
          return ((p_F, s_F), (p_{\text{pay}}, s_{\text{pay}}), (p_{\text{dpay}}, s_{\text{dpay}}),
                (p_{\text{htlc}}, s_{\text{htlc}}), seed, (p_{\text{rev}}, s_{\text{rev}}))
31: end function
```

Figure 26.

When a player receives OPENCHANNEL from  $\mathcal{E}$ , she generates a number of base keypairs (funding, payment, delayed payment, HTLC), along with a seed for the per-update key shares, a master keypair and a share keypair used for revocation. She then sends the public keys along with the desired delay and initial funds to the counterparty as specified by  $\mathcal{E}$  in a message labeled also OPENCHANNEL.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – openChannel from \mathcal{E}
1: Upon receiving (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, tid)
    from \mathcal{E}:
         ensure tid hasn't been used for opening another
    channel before
        // Keys marked with "b" are called basepoint
    keys. Their use reduces from three to one the public
    keys that have to be exchanged on each update.
    ((ph_F, sh_F), (phb_{pay}, shb_{pay}), (phb_{dpay}, shb_{dpay}),
    (phb_{\mathrm{htlc}}, shb_{\mathrm{htlc}}), seed, (phb_{\mathrm{rev}}, shb_{\mathrm{rev}})) \leftarrow
    GetKeys()
        \operatorname{prand}_1 \leftarrow \operatorname{PRF}(\operatorname{\mathtt{seed}}, 1)
6:
    (ph_{\text{com},1}, sh_{\text{com},1}) \leftarrow \text{KeyShareGen} (1^k; \text{prand}_1)
7:
        associate keys with tid
         add (Alice, Bob, x, tid, (ph_F, sh_F),
    (phb_{pay}, shb_{pay}), (phb_{dpay}, shb_{dpay}) (phb_{htlc}, shb_{htlc}),
    (phb_{\text{com},1}, shb_{\text{com},1}), (phb_{\text{rev}}, shb_{\text{rev}}), tid) to
    pendingOpen
        \operatorname{send} (OPENCHANNEL, x, \operatorname{delay} +
    (2+r) windowSize, ph_F, phb_{pay}, phb_{dpay}, phb_{htlc},
```

Figure 27.

 $ph_{\text{com},1}, phb_{\text{rev}}, tid)$  to Bob

When he receives OPENCHANNEL by a funding party, the same steps are followed by the counterparty. The only difference is that he labels his reply with ACCEPTCHANNEL instead.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – OpenChannel from Bob
1: Upon receiving (OPENCHANNEL, x, remoteDelay,
    pt_F, ptb_{pay}, ptb_{dpay}, ptb_{htlc}, pt_{com,1}, ptb_{rev}, tid) from
    Bob:
2:
         ensure tid has not been used yet with Bob
         ((ph_F, sh_F), (phb_{pay}, shb_{pay}), (phb_{dpay}, shb_{dpay}),
    (phb_{\text{htlc}}, shb_{\text{htlc}}), \text{ seed } (phb_{\text{rev}}, shb_{\text{rev}})) \leftarrow \texttt{GetKeys}()
        \operatorname{prand}_1 \leftarrow \operatorname{PRF}(\operatorname{seed}, 1)
4:
5:
    (ph_{\text{com},1}, sh_{\text{com},1}) \leftarrow \text{KEYSHAREGEN}(1^k; \text{prand}_1)
         associate keys with tid and store in pendingOpen
         send (ACCEPTCHANNEL, delay +
    (2+r) windowSize, ph_F, phb_{pay}, phb_{dpay}, phb_{htlc},
    ph_{\text{com},1}, phb_{\text{rev}}, \ tid) to Bob
```

Figure 28.

When she receives ACCEPTCHANNEL by the counterparty, the funding party creates the funding transaction and the first commitment transaction, signs the funding transaction and sends this signature to the counterparty with a message labelled FundingCreated.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – ACCEPTCHANNEL
 1: Upon receiving (ACCEPTCHANNEL,
     remoteDelay, pt_F, ptb_{pay}, ptb_{dpay}, ptb_{htlc},
     pt_{\text{com},1}, ptb_{\text{rev}}, tid) from Bob:
         ensure there is a temporary ID tid with Bob in
     pendingOpen on which ACCEPTCHANNEL hasn't been
     received
 3:
         associate received keys with tid
         send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} and assign reply to \Sigma_{Alice}
         assign to prevout a transaction output found in
     \Sigma_{Alice} that is currently exclusively spendable by
     Alice and has value y \geq x
        F \leftarrow TX {input spends prevout with a
     SIGNDS(TX, sk_{Alice}), output 0 pays y - x to pk_{Alice},
     output 1 pays x to tid.ph_F \wedge pt_F
         pchid \leftarrow \mathcal{H}\left(F\right)
         add pchid to pendingOpen entry with id tid
 8:
         pt_{\text{rev},1} \leftarrow \text{CombinePubKey}(ptb_{\text{rev}}, ph_{\text{com},1})
         (ph_{\mathrm{dpay},1}, sh_{\mathrm{dpay},1}) \leftarrow
     KEYDER (phb_{dpay}, shb_{dpay}, ph_{com,1})
         (ph_{\text{pay},1}, sh_{\text{pay},1}) \leftarrow
     KEYDER (phb_{pay}, shb_{pay}, ph_{com,1})
          (ph_{\text{htlc},1}, sh_{\text{htlc},1}) \leftarrow
     KEYDER (phb_{\rm htlc}, shb_{\rm htlc}, ph_{\rm com, 1})
         \texttt{remoteCom} \leftarrow \texttt{remoteCom}_1 \leftarrow TX \; \{input: output \;
     1 of F, outputs: (x, ph_{pay,1}), (0, ph_{rev,1} \vee
     (pt_{	ext{dpay},1}, 	ext{delay} + (2+r) 	ext{ windowSize } 	ext{relative}))\}
         localCom \leftarrow TX \{ input: output 1 of F, outputs: \}
     (x, pt_{rev,1} \lor (ph_{dpav,1}, remoteDelay relative)),
     (0, pt_{\text{pay},1})
         add remoteCom and localCom to channel entry in
15:
     pendingOpen
16:
         sig \leftarrow SIGNDS (remoteCom_1, sh_F)
         \texttt{lastRemoteSigned} \leftarrow 0
17:
         send (FundingCreated, tid, pchid, sig) to Bob
18:
```

Figure 29.

When he receives FundingCreated by the funding party, the counterparty creates the funding transaction and then checks the validity of the received signature. If it is valid, he then creates the first commitment transaction as well, signs the funding transaction and sends this signature to the funding party with a message labelled FundingSigned.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – fundingCreated
 1: Upon receiving (FUNDINGCREATED, tid, pchid,
     BobSig<sub>1</sub>) from Bob:
          ensure there is a temporary ID tid with Bob in
     pendingOpen on which we have sent up to
     ACCEPTCHANNEL
          ph_{\text{rev},1} \leftarrow \text{CombinePubKey}(phb_{\text{rev}}pt_{\text{com},1})
         pt_{\text{dpay},1} \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(ptb_{\text{dpay}}, pt_{\text{com},1})
 4:
         pt_{\text{pay},1} \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}\left(ptb_{\text{pay}}, pt_{\text{com},1}\right)
 5:
         pt_{\text{htlc},1} \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(ptb_{\text{htlc}}, pt_{\text{com},1})
         localCom \leftarrow localCom_1 \leftarrow TX \{input: output 1\}
     of F, outputs: (x, pt_{pay,1}),
     (0, pt_{rev,1} \lor (ph_{dpay,1}, remoteDelay relative))
     VerifyDS (BobSig<sub>1</sub>, localCom<sub>1</sub>, pt_F) = True
         \texttt{remoteCom} \leftarrow \texttt{remoteCom}_1 \leftarrow TX \; \{input: output \;
     1 of F, outputs: (x, ph_{rev,1} \lor (pt_{dpay,1}, delay +
     (2+r) windowSize relative)), (0,ph_{\text{pay},1})}
          add BobSig<sub>1</sub>, remoteCom<sub>1</sub> and localCom<sub>1</sub> to
     channel entry in pendingOpen
         sig \leftarrow SIGNDS (remoteCom_1, sh_F)
11:
          mark channel as "broadcast, no
12:
     FUNDINGLOCKED"
13:
          lastRemoteSigned, lastLocalSigned \leftarrow 0
```

Figure 30.

send (FUNDINGSIGNED, pchid, sig) to Bob

When the funding party receives FUNDINGSIGNED, she verifies the validity of the received signature. If it is valid, it broadcasts the funding transaction.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} — fundingSigned
1: Upon receiving (FUNDINGSIGNED, pchid, BobSig<sub>1</sub>)
   from Bob:
       ensure there is a channel ID pchid with Bob in
   pendingOpen on which we have sent up to
   FUNDINGCREATED
       ensure
   	ext{VerifyDS}\left(	ext{BobSig}_1, 	ext{localCom}, pt_F
ight) = 	ext{True}
       \texttt{localCom}_1 \leftarrow \texttt{localCom}
4:
       \texttt{lastLocalSigned} \leftarrow 0
5:
6:
       add BobSig<sub>1</sub> to channel entry in pendingOpen
       sig \leftarrow SIGNDS(F, sk_{Alice})
7:
       mark pchid in pendingOpen as "broadcast, no
8:
   FUNDINGLOCKED"
       send (SUBMIT, (sig, F)) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger}
```

Figure 31.

When either party (say Alice) receives CHECK-FORNEW from  $\mathcal{E}$ , she checks if the funding transaction is in the ledger. If it is, it generates the keyshare for the next update and sends it to Bob in a message labelled FundingLocked. When Alice receives a similar message from Bob, she considers the channel open.

14:

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} — checkForNew
1: Upon receiving (CHECKFORNEW, Alice, Bob, tid)
   from \mathcal{E}: // lnd polling daemon
       ensure there is a matching channel in
   pendingOpen with id pchid, with a "broadcast" and a
    "no FUNDINGLOCKED" mark, funded with x coins
       send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} and assign reply to \Sigma_{Alice}
       ensure \exists unspent T\tilde{X} in \Sigma_{Alice} with ID pchid and
   a (x, ph_F \wedge pt_F) output
       \operatorname{prand}_2 \leftarrow \operatorname{PRF}\left(\operatorname{\mathtt{seed}},2\right)
6:
   (ph_{\text{com},2}, sh_{\text{com},2}) \leftarrow \text{KeyShareGen}(1^k; \text{prand}_2)
       add TX to channel data
7:
       replace "broadcast" mark in channel with
8:
   "FUNDINGLOCKED sent"
       send (FundingLocked, pchid, ph_{com,2}) to Bob
```

Figure 32.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – fundingLocked
 1: Upon receiving (FUNDINGLOCKED, pchid, pt_{com,2})
    from Bob:
        ensure there is a channel with ID pchid with Bob
    in pendingOpen with a "no FUNDINGLOCKED" mark
         \textbf{if channel} \ \ is \ not \ marked \ with \ \text{``fundingLocked'} \\
    sent" then // i.e. marked with "broadcast"
            send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}} and assign reply to
    \Sigma_{Alice}
 5:
            ensure \exists unspent TX in \Sigma_{Alice} with ID pchid
    and a (x, ph_F \wedge pt_F) output
            add TX to channel data
 6:
            \operatorname{prand}_2 \leftarrow \operatorname{PRF}\left(\mathtt{seed}, 2\right)
 7:
 8:
    (ph_{\text{com},2}, sh_{\text{com},2}) \leftarrow \text{KEYSHAREGEN}(1^k; \text{prand}_2)
            generate 2nd remote delayed payment, htlc,
 9:
    payment keys
        end if
10:
        replace "no FUNDINGLOCKED" mark in channel
11:
    with "FUNDINGLOCKED received"
        move channel data from pendingOpen to
12:
    channels
        add receipt of channel to newChannels, where
13:
    receipt \leftarrow (Alice: x, Bob: 0, pchid)
        if channel is not marked with "FUNDINGLOCKED
14:
    sent" then
            replace "broadcast" mark in channel with
15:
    "FUNDINGLOCKED sent"
            send (FUNDINGLOCKED, pchid, ph_{com,2}) to
16:
    Bob
17:
        end if
```

Figure 33.

When a player receives POLL, she checks the ledger for closed channels and acts upon them. In particular, she retrieves funds from failed HTLC payments and punishes counterparties that closed their channel maliciously. She also takes note of honestly closed channels. When she receives GETNEWS, she sends back a list of all

unreported channels that opened or closed, along with payments that were carried out successfully.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – poll
    Upon receiving (POLL) from \mathcal{E}:
 2:
        send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} and assign reply to \Sigma_{Alice}
 3:
         \texttt{toSubmit} \leftarrow \emptyset
         \mathbf{for} \ \mathbf{all} \ \tau \in \mathtt{unclaimedOfferedHTLCs} \ \mathbf{do}
 4:
 5:
             if input of \tau has been spent then // by
    remote HTLC-success
                 remove \tau from unclaimedOfferedHTLCs
 6:
 7:
                 if we are intermediary then
                     retrieve preimage R, pchid' of previous
    channel on the path of the HTLC, and HTLCNo' of
    the corresponding HTLC' in pchid'
                     \operatorname{add} \left( \operatorname{HTLCNo}', R \right) to
    {\tt pendingFulfills}_{pchid'}
10:
                 end if
             else if input of \tau has not been spent and
11:
    timelock is over then
12:
                 remove \tau from unclaimedOfferedHTLCs
                 add \tau to toSubmit
13:
             end if
14:
         end for
15:
        run loop of Fig. 35
16:
         for all honestly closed remoteCom_n that were
17:
    processed above, with channel id pchid do
18:
             for all received HTLC outputs i of
    {	t remoteCom}_n \ {	t do}
19:
                 if there is an entry in
    pendingFulfills_{pchid} with the same HTLCNo and R
                     TX \leftarrow \{\text{input: } i \text{ HTLC output of } \}
    remoteCom<sub>n</sub> with (ph_{\text{htlc},n}, R) as method, output:
    pk_{Alice}
                     sig \leftarrow SignIBS(TX, sh_{htlc,n})
21:
                     add (sig, TX) to toSubmit
22:
                     remove entry from
23:
    {\tt pendingFulfills}_{pchid}
                 end if
24:
25:
             end for
26:
         end for
        send (SUBMIT, toSubmit) to \mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}}
27:
28: Upon receiving (GETNEWS) from \mathcal{E}:
29:
         clear newChannels, closedChannels,
    updatesToReport, paymentsToReport and send them
    to \mathcal{E} with message name NEWS
```

Figure 34.

```
Loop over closed channels for poll
 1: for all remoteCom<sub>n</sub> \in \Sigma_{Alice} that spend F of a
    \mathtt{channel} \in \mathtt{channels} \ \mathbf{do}
         if we do not have sh_{rev,n} then // Honest closure
            for all unspent offered HTLC outputs i of
 3:
    remoteCom_n do
                 \mathrm{TX} \leftarrow \{\mathrm{input:}\ i\ \mathrm{HTLC}\ \mathrm{output}\ \mathrm{of}
    remoteCom<sub>n</sub> with ph_{\text{htlc},n} as method, output: pk_{Alice}
                 sig \leftarrow SIGNIBS(TX, sh_{htlc.n})
 5:
 6:
                if timelock has not expired then
                    add (sig, TX) to
 7:
    {\tt unclaimedOfferedHTLCs}
                else if timelock has expired then
 8:
                     add (sig, TX) to toSubmit
 9:
10:
                 end if
            end for
11:
12:
             for all spent offered HTLC output i of
    remoteCom_n do
13:
                if we are intermediary then
                     retrieve preimage R, pchid' of previous
14:
    channel on the path of the HTLC, and HTLCNo' of
    the corresponding HTLC' in pchid'
                     add (HTLCNo', R) to
    {\tt pendingFulfills}_{pchid'}
16:
                else// we are the payer
17:
                    retrieve (expayid, x) from entry in
    pendingPay with h, HTLCNo of HTLC_i and remove
    the entry
18:
                     add (expayid, -x) to
    paymentsToReport
                end if
19:
20:
            end for
        else // malicious closure
21:
22:
            rev \leftarrow TX {inputs: all remoteCom<sub>n</sub> outputs,
    choosing ph_{rev,n} method, output: pk_{Alice}
23:
            \operatorname{sig} \leftarrow \operatorname{SignCS}\left(\operatorname{rev}, sh_{\operatorname{rev},n}\right)
24:
             add (sig, rev) to toSubmit
25:
        end if
         add receipt(channel) to closedChannels
26:
        remove channel from channels
27:
28: end for
```

Figure 35.

When a player (say Alice) receives PAY along with a payee (say Bob), a payment amount and a path, she informs Bob of the upcoming payment with a SEND-INVOICE message. He then generates a secret preimage and sends back its hash and his desired minimum slack between the present and the moment he has to disclose the preimage (known as "relay delay") in a message labelled INVOICE. Subsequently Alice prepares a Sphinx onion packet [30] with one message for each path member, taking into account each hop's desired relay delay. Afterwards she creates an HTLC that transfers the payment amount and adds it to her channel with the first path member. She then sends the onion, the payment amount and the hash to the first hop in a message labelled updateAddHtlc.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – pay
 1: Upon receiving (PAY, Bob, x, \overrightarrow{path}, expayid) from \mathcal{E}:
       ensure that path consists of syntactically valid
    (pchid, CltvExpiryDelta) pair // Payment
    completes only if \forall honest i \in
    path, CltvExpiryDelta<sub>i</sub> \geq 3k + \text{RelayDelay}_i
       ensure that the first pchid \in \overline{path} corresponds to
    an open channel ∈ channels in which we own at
    least x in the irrevocably committed state.
       choose unique payment ID payid // unique for
    Alice and Bob
       add (Bob, x, path, expayid, payid, "waiting for
    invoice") to pendingPay
       send (SENDINVOICE, x, expayid, payid) to Bob
 7: Upon receiving (SENDINVOICE, x, expayid, payid)
    from Bob:
       ensure there is no (Bob, \_, expayid, payid, \_)
    entry in pendingGetPaid
        choose random, unique preimage R
       add (Bob, R, expayid, payid, x) to
    pendingGetPaid
11:
       send (INVOICE, \mathcal{H}(R),
    relayDelay +(2+r) windowSize, payid) to Bob
```

Figure 36.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – invoice
 1: Upon receiving (INVOICE, h, minFinalCltvExpiry,
     payid) from Bob:
         ensure there is a (Bob, x, \overline{\mathtt{path}}, \underline{\hspace{0.1cm}}, payid,
     "waiting for invoice") entry in pendingPay
         ensure h is valid (in the range of \mathcal{H})
         remove mark from, add h and <code>HTLCNo</code> to entry in
     pendingPav
         retrieve CltvExpiryDeltas from path
         send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} and assign largest block
     number to t
         l \leftarrow | (\mathtt{pat\acute{h}}) |
 7:
         \texttt{CltvExpiry}_l \leftarrow t + \texttt{minFinalCltvExpiry}
         \forall i \in \{1,\dots,l-1\}, \texttt{CltvExpiry}_{l-i} \leftarrow
 9:
     {\tt CltvExpiry}_{l-i+1} + {\tt CltvExpiryDelta}_{l-i+1}
         ensure CltvExpiry<sub>1</sub> \geq
     {\tt CltvExpiry}_2 + {\tt relayDelay} + (2+r) {\tt windowSize}
         m \leftarrow \text{the concatenation of } l\left(x, \texttt{CltvExpiry}\right)
11:
12:
         (\mu_0, \delta_0) \leftarrow
     SphinxCreate (m, \text{ public keys of } \overline{\text{path parties}})
13:
         let remoteCom_n the latest signed remote
     commitment tx with first path member
         reduce simple payment output in remoteCom by x
14:
15:
         add an additional (x, ph_{rev,n+1} \lor (ph_{htlc,n+1} \land
     pt_{\mathrm{htlc},n+1}, on preimage of h) \vee ph_{\mathrm{htlc},n+1},
     CltvExpiry<sub>1</sub> absolute) output (all with n+1 keys)
     to remoteCom, marked with HTLCNo
         reduce delayed payment output in localCom by x
         add an additional (x, pt_{rev,n+1} \lor (pt_{htlc,n+1}, on
17:
     preimage of h) \vee (ph_{\text{htlc},n+1} \wedge pt_{\text{htlc},n+1},
     CltvExpiry<sub>1</sub> absolute)) output (all with n + 1 keys)
     to localCom, marked with HTLCNo
18:
         increment HTLCNo<sub>pchid</sub> by one and associate
     x, h, pchid with it
19:
         mark HTLCNo as "sender"
         send (UPDATEADDHTLC, first pchid of
     \overline{\text{path}}, \text{HTLCNo}_{pchid}, x, h, \text{CltvExpiry}_1, (\mu_0, \delta_0)) to
     pchid channel counterparty
```

Figure 37.

When a player receives UPDATEADDHTLC, she peels the outermost onion layer and extracts the CLTV expiry, the next channel ID (or  $\bot$  if she is the payee) and the payment amount. She checks that the CLTV expiry is within her desired relay delay and adds to the incoming channel an HTLC that pays her the payment amount. If she is the payee, she prepares to disclose the preimage. Otherwise, she creates an HTLC that transfers the payment amount from her to the next party of the path, prepares the next onion and takes a note to send it to the next party.

#### Protocol $\Pi_{LN}$ – updateAddHtlc 1: Upon receiving (UPDATEADDHTLC, pchid, HTLCNo, x, h, IncomingCltvExpiry, M) from Bob: run code of Fig. 39 – UPDATEADDHTLC checks 2: 3: increment HTLCNo<sub>pchid</sub> by one let $remoteCom_n$ the latest signed remote 4: commitment tx reduce delayed payment output in remoteCom by 5: add an $(x, ph_{rev,n+1} \lor (ph_{htlc,n+1} \land pt_{htlc,n+1},$ IncomingCltvExpiry absolute) $\vee ph_{\mathrm{htlc},n+1}$ , on preimage of h) htlc output (all with n+1 keys) to remoteCom, marked with HTLCNo reduce simple payment output in localCom by xadd an $(x, pt_{rev,n+1} \vee (pt_{htlc,n+1},$ IncomingCltvExpiry absolute) $\lor (pt_{\text{htlc},n+1} \land$ $ph_{\text{htlc},n+1}$ , on preimage of h)) htlc output (all with n+1 keys) to localCom, marked with HTLCNo if $\delta = \text{receiver then}$ retrieve $R:\mathcal{H}\left(R\right)=h$ from pendingGetPaid 10: and move entry to gotPaid $\operatorname{add} \; (\mathtt{HTLCNo}, R) \; \operatorname{to} \; \mathtt{pendingFulfills}_{pchid}$ 11: else if $\delta \neq$ receiver then // Send HTLC to 12: next hop 13: retrieve pchid' data let remoteCom'<sub>n</sub> the latest signed remote 14: commitment tx 15: reduce simple payment output in remoteCom' 16: add an additional $(x, ph'_{\text{rev},n+1} \lor (ph'_{\text{htlc},n+1} \land pt'_{\text{htlc},n+1}, \text{ on preimage})$ of h) $\vee ph'_{htlc,n+1}$ , OutgoingCltvExpiry absolute) output (all with n+1 keys) to remoteCom', marked with HTLCNo' 17: reduce delayed payment output in localCom' by x18: add an additional $(x, pt'_{rev,n+1} \lor (pt'_{htlc,n+1},$ on preimage of h) $\vee$ $(pt'_{\text{htlc},n+1} \wedge ph'_{\text{htlc},n+1},$ OutgoingCltvExpiry absolute)) output (all with n+1 keys) to localCom', marked with HTLCNo' increment $\mathtt{HTLCNo'}$ by 1 19: $M' \leftarrow \mathtt{SphinxPrepare}\left(M, \delta, sk_{Alice}\right)$

Figure 38.

add (HTLCNo', x, h, OutgoingCltvExpiry, M')

20: 21:

22:

to  $pendingAdds_{pchid'}$ 

end if

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – UPDATEADDHTLC checks
 1: ensure pchid corresponds to an open channel in
    channels where Bob has at least x
 2: ensure \mathtt{HTLCNo} = \mathtt{HTLCNo}_{pchid} + 1
 3: (pchid', x', \texttt{OutgoingCltvExpiry}, \delta) \leftarrow
    \hat{\mathtt{SphinxPeel}}\left(sk_{Alice},M\right)
 4: send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} and assign largest block
    number to t
 5: if \delta = \text{receiver then}
        ensure pchid' = \bot, x = x', \texttt{IncomingCltvExpiry} \ge
    OutgoingCltvExpiry = minFinalCltvExpiry
        mark HTLCNo as "receiver"
 8: else // We are an intermediary
        ensure x = x', IncomingCltvExpiry \geq
    \max\{\texttt{OutgoingCltvExpiry},t\} + \texttt{relayDelay} +
    2(2+r) windowSize
        ensure pchid corresponds to an open channel in
    channels where we have at least x
        mark HTLCNo as "intermediary'
11:
12: end if
```

Figure 39.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – updateFulfillHtlc
 1: Upon receiving (UPDATEFULFILLHTLC, pchid,
    HTLCNo, R) from Bob:
        {f if} HTLCNo > lastRemoteSigned \lor HTLCNo >
    lastLocalSigned \vee \mathcal{H}(R) \neq h, where h is the hash
    in the HTLC with number HTLCNo then
           close channel (as in Fig. 46)
           return
 4:
        end if
 5:
        ensure HTLCNo is an offered HTLC (localCom has
    h tied to a public key that we own)
        add value of HTLC to delayed payment of
    remoteCom
       remove HTLC output with number HTLCNo from
    remoteCom
       add value of HTLC to simple payment of
    localCom
       remove HTLC output with number HTLCNo from
       if we have a channel phcid that has a received
11:
    HTLC with hash h with number HTLCNo' then //
    We are an intermediary
           send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}} and assign reply to
12:
    \Sigma_{Alice}
           if latest remoteCom'<sub>n</sub> \in \Sigma_{Alice} then //
13:
    counterparty has gone on-chain
               TX \leftarrow \{\text{input: (remoteCom' HTLC output}\}\
    with number HTLCNo', R), output: pk_{Alice}
               sig \leftarrow SignIBS(TX, sh_{htlc,n})
15:
               send (SUBMIT, (sig, TX)) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} //
16:
    shouldn't be already spent by remote HTLCTimeout
           \mathbf{else} \ // \ \mathrm{counterparty} \ \mathrm{still} \ \mathrm{off\text{-}chain}
17:
                 Not having the HTLC irrevocably
18:
    committed is impossible (Fig. 44, l. 22)
               send
19:
    (UPDATEFULFILLHTLC, pchid', HTLCNo', R) to
    counterparty
20:
           end if
        else// We are the payer
21:
           retrieve (expayid, x) from entry in
    pendingPay with h, HTLCNo and remove the entry //
    entry is unique because of HTLCNo
           add (expayid, -x) to updateDiffs(channel)
    of channel with ID pchid
24:
        end if
```

Figure 40.

When a player receives a preimage for a particular HTLC in an UPDATEFULFILLHTLC message, she verifies the validity of the preimage, she removes the HTLC and incorporates the new balance to the commitment transactions and, if she is an intermediary, she sends the preimage to the previous party on the path if the channel is still open, or publishes the preimage on-chain otherwise.

When a player receives COMMIT from  $\mathcal{E}$  accompanied by a channel ID, she generates and signs a new commitment tx and all new HTLC txs that correspond to unsigned added HTLCs. She then sends the signatures to the channel counterparty in a message labelled COMMITMENTSIGNED.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} — Commit
 1: Upon receiving (COMMIT, pchid) from \mathcal{E}:
         ensure that there is a channel \in channels with
    ID pchid
         retrieve latest remote commitment tx
    remoteCom_n in channel
         ensure remoteCom \neq remoteCom<sub>n</sub> // there are
    uncommitted updates
         ensure channel is not marked as "waiting for
    REVOKEANDACK"
         send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} and assign largest block
    number to t
         undo adding all outgoing HTLCs in remoteCom
    for which we are intermediary and
    IncomingCltvExpiry <</pre>
    t + \mathtt{relayDelay} + (2 + r) \mathtt{windowSize}
        \texttt{remoteCom}_{n+1} \leftarrow \texttt{remoteCom}
 8:
         ComSig \leftarrow SIGNDS (remoteCom_{n+1}, sh_F)
 9:
10:
         HTLCSigs \leftarrow \emptyset
         for i from lastRemoteSigned + 1 to HTLCNo do
11:
             \texttt{remoteHTLC}_{n+1,i} \leftarrow \texttt{TX} \; \{ \texttt{input: HTLC output} \;
12:
    i of \mathtt{remoteCom}_{n+1}, output: (c_{\mathtt{htlc},i},\, ph_{\mathtt{rev},n+1} \,\,\vee\,\,
     (pt_{dpay,n+1}, delay + (2+r) windowSize relative))
             add SIGNIBS (remoteHTLC_{n+1,i}, sh_{\text{htlc},n+1}) to
13:
    {\rm HTLCSigs}
         end for
14:
         \texttt{lastRemoteSigned} \leftarrow \texttt{HTLCNo}
15:
         mark channel as "waiting for REVOKEANDACK"
16:
         send (COMMITMENTSIGNED, pchid, ComSig,
17:
    HTLCSigs) to pchid counterparty
```

Figure 41.

When a player receives COMMITMENTSIGNED with some signatures for a particular channel, she verifies that the signatures correspond to the expected HTLCs (i.e. the added but unsigned ones) and that the signatures for the new commitment tx and said HTLCs are valid. She then generates the keyshare pair and sends its public part to the counterparty along with the secret part of the old keyshare in a message labelled REVOKEANDACK.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} — CommitmentSigned
 1: Upon receiving (COMMITMENTSIGNED, pchid,
     comSig_{n+1}, HTLCSigs_{n+1}) from Bob:
         ensure that there is a channel \in channels with
     ID pchid with Bob
         retrieve latest local commitment tx localCom_n in
     channel
         ensure localCom \neq localCom<sub>n</sub> and
     localCom \neq pendingLocalCom // there are
     uncommitted updates
         \textbf{if VerifyDS}\left(\mathtt{comSig}_{n+1},\mathtt{localCom},pt_F\right) =
     \texttt{false} \lor |\texttt{HTLCSigs}_{n+1}| \neq \texttt{HTLCNo-lastLocalSigned}
 6:
             close channel (as in Fig. 46)
 7:
             return
 8:
         end if
 9:
         for i from lastLocalSigned + 1 to HTLCNo do
              localHTLC_{n+1,i} \leftarrow TX \{input: HTLC output\}
10:
     i of localCom, output: (c_{\text{htlc,i}}, ph_{\text{rev},n+1} \vee i)
     (pt_{dpay,n+1}, remoteDelay relative))
             \mathbf{if} \ \mathrm{VERIFYIBS}(\mathtt{HTLCSigs}_{n+1,i},
     localHTLC_{n+1,i}, pt_{htlc,n+1}) = false then
12:
                  close channel (as in Fig. 46)
13:
                  return
              end if
14:
15:
         end for
         lastLocalSigned \leftarrow HTLCNo
16:
17:
         pendingLocalCom \leftarrow localCom
         mark pendingLocalCom as "irrevocably
18:
    committed"
19:
         \operatorname{prand}_{n+2} \leftarrow \operatorname{PRF}\left(\operatorname{\mathtt{seed}}, n+2\right)
         (ph_{\text{com},n+2}, sh_{\text{com},n+2}) \leftarrow
     KEYSHAREGEN (1^k; \operatorname{prand}_{n+2})
         send (REVOKEANDACK, pchid,
     \operatorname{prand}_n, ph_{\operatorname{com}, n+2}) to Bob
```

Figure 42.

When a player receives REVOKEANDACK from a counterparty for a particular channel, she checks that the secret keyshare received corresponds to the public keyshare that had been received in the last REVOKEANDACK (or in the FUNDINGLOCKED if this is the first REVOKEANDACK received for this channel) and then generates all the necessary new keys for the next update. There are now no more outstanding updates. Furthermore, if a closing of the channel is pending, execution continues with the closing sequence.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – RevokeAndAck
 1: Upon receiving (REVOKEANDACK, pchid,
     st_{com,n}, pt_{com,n+2}) from Bob:
         ensure there is a channel \in channels with Bob
     with ID pchid marked as "waiting for
     REVOKEANDACK"
         if TestKey (pt_{\text{com},n}, st_{\text{com},n}) \neq 1 then //
     wrong st_{com,n} - closing
              close channel (as in Fig. 46)
 5:
              return
         end if
 6:
         mark remoteCom_{n+1} as "irrevocably committed"
 7:
 8:
         localCom_{n+1} \leftarrow pendingLocalCom
         unmark channel
 9:
10:
         append receipt(channel) to updatesToReport
11:
         for all
     (\_,\_,payid,\mathtt{ref}) \in \mathtt{updateDiffs}(\mathtt{channel}) \ \mathbf{do}
              remove from gotPaid the entry referenced by
12:
     ref
13:
              strip ref and payid from
     updateDiffs(channel) entry
14:
         end for
15:
         if updateDiffs(channel) \neq \emptyset then
16:
              add updateDiffs(channel) members to
     paymentsToReport
         end if
17:
         updateDiffs(channel) \leftarrow \emptyset
18:
19:
         sh_{\text{rev},n} \leftarrow
     CombineKey (phb_{rev}, shb_{rev}, pt_{comn}, st_{com,n})
20:
     ph_{\text{rev},n+2} \leftarrow \text{CombinePubKey}(phb_{\text{rev}},pt_{\text{com},n+2})
21:
         pt_{\text{rev},n+2} \leftarrow \text{CombinePubKey}(ptb_{\text{rev}},ph_{\text{com},n+2})
22:
         (ph_{\text{dpay},n+2}, sh_{\text{dpay},n+2}) \leftarrow
     KEYDER (phb_{dpay}, shb_{dpay}, ph_{com, n+2})
         pt_{\text{dpay},n+2} \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(ptb_{\text{dpay}}, pt_{\text{com},n+2})
23:
24:
         (ph_{\text{pay},n+2}, sh_{\text{pay},n+2}) \leftarrow
     KEYDER (phb_{pay}, shb_{pay}, ph_{com, n+2})
         pt_{\text{pay},n+2} \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}\left(ptb_{\text{pay}},pt_{\text{com},n+2}\right)
25:
26:
         (ph_{\text{htlc},n+2},sh_{\text{htlc},n+2}) \leftarrow
     KEYDER (phb_{\text{htlc}}, shb_{\text{htlc}}, ph_{\text{com}, n+2})
27:
         pt_{\text{htlc},n+2} \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(ptb_{\text{htlc}}, pt_{\text{com},n+2})
         if no outstanding HTLCs remain for this channel
     and the sequence for CLOSECHANNEL or SHUTDOWN
      (Fig. 47) has been initiated then
29:
              continue execution at Fig. 47, l. 7 or l. 16
     respectively
         end if
```

Figure 43.

The following code defines a player's actions when she receives from  $\mathcal{E}$  one of the three messages needed to "nudge" her to carry on with some particular part of the protocol. PushFulfill makes the player read a preimage of a hash from  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$  and use it to fulfill the relevant HTLC that pays her, PushAdd has the player send an updateAddHtlc message that is ready but has not yet been sent and fulfillOnChain requests that the player publish all HTLC txs that are about to expire on-chain. A player that does not receive such messages in time may end up losing funds albeit being

honest; such a player is dubbed "negligent".

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – Push
 1: Upon receiving (PushFulfill, pchid) from \mathcal{E}:
        ensure that there is a channel \in channels with
    ID pchid
        choose a member (HTLCNo, R) of
    {\tt pendingFulfills}_{pchid} that is both in an "irrevocably
    committed" remoteCom_n and localCom_n
 4:
        send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}} and assign reply to \Sigma_{Alice}
        remove (HTLCNo, R) from pendingFulfills_{pchid}
 5:
        if remoteCom<sub>n</sub> \notin \Sigma_{Alice} then // counterparty
            if \exists (\_, R, expayid, payid, x) \in gotPaid then
    // receiver
 8:
               add (expayid, x, payid, reference to
    gotPaid entry) to updateDiffs(channel)
            end if
 9:
10:
            send (UPDATEFULFILLHTLC, pchid, HTLCNo,
    R) to pchid counterparty
        else // counterparty gone on-chain
11:
            if \exists (\_, R, expayid, payid, x) \in gotPaid then
12:
13:
               remove entry from gotPaid
               add (expayid, x) to paymentsToReport
14:
15:
            end if
16:
            TX \leftarrow \{\text{input: } (\text{remoteCom}_n \ HTLC \ \text{output} \} \}
    with number HTLCNo, R), output: pk_{Alice}
17:
            sig \leftarrow SignIBS(TX, sh_{htlc,n})
            send (SUBMIT, (sig, TX)) to \mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}} //
18:
    shouldn't be already spent by remote HTLCTimeout
19:
        end if
20: Upon receiving (PUSHADD, pchid) from \mathcal{E}:
        ensure that there is a channel \in channels with
21:
    ID pchid
22:
        choose a member (HTLCNo, x, h, CltvExpiry, M)
    of pendingAdds_{pchid} that is both in an "irrevocably
    committed" remoteCom_n and localCom_n
        remove chosen entry from pendingAdds_{pchid}
23:
        send (UPDATEADDHTLC, pchid, HTLCNo,
    x, h, CltvExpiry, M) to pchid counterparty
```

Figure 44.

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} — FulfillOnChain
 1: Upon receiving (FULFILLONCHAIN) from \mathcal{E}:
        send (READ) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger} and assign largest block
    number to t
 3:
        \texttt{toSubmit} \leftarrow \emptyset
        for all channels do
 4:
           if there exist HTLCs with hashes h_1, \ldots, h_k
    in latest localCom_n for which we have sent both
    UPDATEFULFILLHTLC and COMMITMENTSIGNED to a
    transaction without those HTLCs to counterparty,
    but have not received the corresponding
    REVOKEANDACKS AND some of the HTLCs expire
    within [t, t + (2 + r) \text{ windowSize}] then
               add localCom_n of the channel and all
    corresponding valid HTLC-successes and
    \mathtt{HTLC\text{-}timeouts} (for both \mathtt{localCom}_n and
    remoteCom_n<sup>a</sup>), along with their signatures to
    toSubmit
 7:
               for all such HTLCs for which we are the
    payee (i.e., we have received a (SENDINVOICE, x,
    expayid, payid) message in response to which we
    generated and sent h_i) do
                   add (expayid, x) to paymentsToReport
 9:
               end for
           end if
10:
        end for
11:
12:
        send (SUBMIT, toSubmit) to \mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}
  a. Ensures funds retrieval if counterparty has gone on-chain
```

```
Figure 45.
```

```
Protocol \Pi_{LN} – close unilaterally
 1: Upon receiving (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, receipt,
    pchid) from \mathcal{E}:
        ensure receipt corresponds to an open
    channel \in channels with ID pchid
       if the sequence for CLOSECHANNEL has been
    initiated and is pending on clearing all outstanding
    HTLCs then
            forget this "hook"
        end if
        assign latest channel sequence number to n
 6:
 7:
        HTLCs \leftarrow \emptyset
 8:
        for every HTLC output \in localCom<sub>n</sub> with
    number i do
           if there is a (\_, R, expayid, payid, x) entry in
    gotPaid for R the preimage of \mathrm{HTLC}_i then
               remove entry from gotPaid
10:
               add (expayid, x) to paymentsToReport
11:
12:
           sig \leftarrow SignIBS (localHTLC_{n,i}, sh_{htlc,n})
13:
           add (sig, HTLCSigs<sub>n,i</sub>, localHTLC<sub>n,i</sub>) to
14:
    HTLCs
15:
        end for
        sig \leftarrow SIGNDS (localCom_n, sh_F)
16:
17:
        add receipt(channel) to closedChannels
18:
        remove channel from channels
        send (SUBMIT,
19:
    (sig, remoteSig_n, localCom_n), HTLCs) to \mathcal{G}_{Ledger}
```

Figure 46.

When a player receives FORCECLOSECHANNEL for a particular channel, she signs and publishes the latest commitment and HTLC txs for this particular channel, in effect unilateraly closing the channel.

When a player receives CLOSECHANNEL for a particular channel, she initiates the cooperative channel close sequence with the counterparty. The sequence includes completing all outstanding updates and creating, signing and publishing the "closing" transaction that spends the funding transaction and distributes the funds to the counterparties without timelocks.

#### **Protocol** $\Pi_{LN}$ – close cooperatively 1: Upon receiving (CLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid) from $\mathcal{E}$ : ensure receipt corresponds to an open $channel \in channels with ID pchid$ stop serving any (PAY, CLOSECHANNEL) message from $\mathcal{E}$ and any (UPDATEADDHTLC, SENDINVOICE) message from counterparty for this channel. mark channel as "coop closing' if there are outstanding HTLC outputs in the latest $localCom_n$ then continue from here when there are none left 6: 7: end if send (SHUTDOWN, $pk_{Alice}$ , pchid) to Bob8: 9: Upon receiving (SHUTDOWN, $pk_{Bob}$ , pchid) from Bob: ensure there is an open channel $\in$ channels with Bob with ID pchid if channel is not marked "coop closing" then 11: stop serving any (PAY, CLOSECHANNEL) 12: message from $\mathcal{E}$ and any (UPDATEADDHTLC, SENDINVOICE) message from counterparty for this channel. mark channel as "coop closing" 13: if there are outstanding HTLC outputs in the 14: latest $localCom_n$ then continue from here when there are none 15: left 16: end if send (SHUTDOWN, $pk_{Alice}$ , pchid) to Bob17: 18: $Cl \leftarrow TX$ {input spends channel funding TX output, outputs pay x, y to $pk_{Alice}, pk_{Bob}$ respectively, alphabetically ordered by some fixed encoding of the keys, where x is Alice's and y is Bob's balance in the latest channel state 20: $sig \leftarrow SignDS(Cl, sk_{Alice})$ 21: send (CLOSINGSIGNED, sig, pchid) to Bob 22: end if 23: Upon receiving (CLOSINGSIGNED, bobSig, pchid) from Bob: ensure there is an open channel $\in$ channels with 24: Bobwith ID pchid ensure channel is marked as "coop closing" 25: add receipt(channel) to closedChannels 26: 27: remove channel from channels $Cl \leftarrow TX$ {input spends channel funding TX output, outputs pay x, y to $pk_{Alice}, pk_{Bob}$ respectively, alphabetically ordered by some fixed encoding of the keys, where x is Alice's and y is Bob's balance in the latest channel state 29: ensure VerifyDS(bobSig, $Cl, pk_{Bob}$ ) = True $aliceSig \leftarrow SignDS(Cl, sk_{Alice})$ 30: 31: sort aliceSig, bobSig according to the ordering of the respective keys to produce sig1, sig2 send (SUBMIT, ((sig1, sig2), Cl)) to $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$

Figure 47.

# Appendix I. The Ledger, Clock and Network Functionality

We next provide the complete description of the ledger functionality as well as the clock and network functionalities that are drawn from the UC formalisation of [10], [11].

The key characteristics of the functionality are as follows. The variable state maintains the current immutable state of the ledger. An honest, synchronised party considers finalised a prefix of state (specified by a pointer position  $pt_i$  for party  $U_i$  below). The functionality has a parameter windowSize such that no finalised prefix of any player will be shorter than |state|-windowSize. On any input originating from an honest party the functionality will run the ExtendPolicy function that ensures that a suitable sequence of transactions will be "blockified" and added to state. Honest parties may also find themselves in a desynchronised state: this is when honest parties lose access to some of their resources. The resources that are necessary for proper ledger maintenance and that the functionality keeps track of are the global random oracle  $\mathcal{G}_{RO}$ , the clock  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{CLOCK}}$  and network  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}}$ . If an honest party maintains registration with all the resources then after Delay clock ticks it necessarily becomes synchronised.

The progress of the state variable is guaranteed via the ExtendPolicy function that is executed when honest parties submit inputs to the functionality. While we do not specify ExtendPolicy in our paper (we refer to the citations above for the full specification) it is sufficient to note that ExtendPolicy guarantees the following properties:

- in a period of time equal to maxTime<sub>window</sub>, a number of blocks at least windowSize are added to state.
- in a period of time equal to minTime<sub>window</sub>, no more blocks may be added to state if windowSize blocks have been already added.
- each window of windowSize blocks has at most advBlcks<sub>window</sub> adversarial blocks included in it.
- 4) any transaction that (i) is submitted by an honest party earlier than  $\frac{\text{Delay}}{2}$  rounds before the time that the block that is windowSize positions before the head of the state was included, and (ii) is valid with respect to an honest block that extends state, then it must be included in such block.

Given a synchronised honest party, we say that a transaction tx is finalised when it becomes a part of state in its view.

**Proposition 1.** Consider a synchronised honest party that submits a transaction tx to the ledger functionality by the time the block indexed by h is added to state in its view. Then tx is guaranteed to be included in the block range [h+1,h+(2+r)windowSize], where  $r=\lceil (maxTime_{window} + \frac{Delay}{2})/minTime_{window} \rceil$ .

Proof: Consider  $\tau_h^U$  to be the round that a party U becomes aware of the h-th block in the state. It follows that  $\tau_h \leq \tau_h^U$  where  $\tau_h$  is the round block h enters state. Note that by time  $\tau_h + \max \mathsf{Time_{window}}$  another windowSize blocks are added to state and thus  $\tau_h^U \leq \tau_h + \max \mathsf{Time_{window}}$ .

 $\tau_h^U \leq \tau_h + \text{maxTime}_{\text{window}}.$  Suppose U submits the transaction tx to the ledger at time  $\tau_h^U$ . Observe that as long as  $\tau_h + \text{maxTime}_{\text{window}}$  is Delay/2 before the time that block with index h+t-2 windowSize enters state, then tx is guaranteed to enter the state in a block with index up to h+t where since  $\text{advBlcks}_{\text{window}} < \text{windowSize}$ . It follows we need  $\tau_h + \text{maxTime}_{\text{window}} + \frac{\text{Delay}}{2})/\text{minTime}_{\text{window}}$ . Recall that in a period of  $\text{minTime}_{\text{window}}$  rounds at most windowSize blocks enter state. As a result  $t \cdot \text{windowSize}$  blocks require at least  $t \cdot \text{minTime}_{\text{window}} \ge \text{maxTime}_{\text{window}} + \frac{\text{Delay}}{2}$  rounds. We deduce that if  $t \ge (2+r)$  windowSize the inequality follows.

### Functionality $\mathcal{G}_{\text{LEDGER}}$

**General:** The functionality is parameterized by four algorithms, Validate, ExtendPolicy, Blockify, and predict-time, along with three parameters: windowSize, Delay  $\in \mathbb{N}$ , and

 $\mathcal{S}_{\text{initStake}} := \{(U_1, s_1), \dots, (U_n, s_n)\}$ . The functionality manages variables state (the immutable state of the ledger), NxtBC (a list of transaction identifiers to be added to the ledger), buffer (the set of pending transactions),  $\tau_L$  (the rules under which the state is extended), and  $\vec{\tau}_{\mathtt{state}}$  (the time sequence where all immutable blocks where added). The variables are initialized as follows:  $\mathtt{state} := \vec{\tau}_{\mathtt{state}} := \mathtt{NxtBC} := \varepsilon$ , buffer  $:= \emptyset$ ,  $\tau_L = 0$ . For each party  $U_p \in \mathcal{P}$  the functionality maintains a pointer  $\mathtt{pt}_i$  (initially set to 1) and a current-state view  $\mathtt{state}_p := \varepsilon$  (initially set to empty). The functionality also keeps track of the timed honest-input sequence in a vector  $\vec{\mathcal{I}}_H^T$  (initially  $\vec{\mathcal{I}}_H^T := \varepsilon$ ).

Party Management: The functionality maintains the set of registered parties  $\mathcal{P}$ , the (sub-)set of honest parties  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{P}$ , and the (sub-set) of de-synchronized honest parties  $\mathcal{P}_{DS} \subset \mathcal{H}$  (as discussed below). The sets  $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{P}_{DS}$  are all initially set to  $\emptyset$ . When a (currently unregistered) honest party is registered at the ledger, if it is registered with the clock and the global RO already, then it is added to the party sets  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{P}$  and the current time of registration is also recorded; if the current time is  $\tau_L > 0$ , it is also added to  $\mathcal{P}_{DS}$ . Similarly, when a party is deregistered, it is removed from both  $\mathcal{P}$  (and therefore also from  $\mathcal{P}_{DS}$  or  $\mathcal{H}$ ). The ledger maintains the invariant that it is registered (as a functionality) to the clock whenever  $\mathcal{H} \neq \emptyset$ .

Handling initial stakeholders: If during round  $\tau = 0$ , the ledger did not received a registration from each initial stakeholder, i.e.,  $U_p \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{initStake}}$ , the functionality halts.

Upon receiving any input I from any party or from the adversary, send (CLOCK-READ,  $\operatorname{sid}_C$ ) to  $\mathcal{G}_{\operatorname{CLOCK}}$  and upon receiving response (CLOCK-READ,  $\operatorname{sid}_C$ ,  $\tau$ ) set  $\tau_L := \tau$  and do the following if  $\tau > 0$  (otherwise, ignore input):

- 1) Updating synchronized/desynchronized party set:
  - a) Let  $\widehat{\mathcal{P}} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{DS}$  denote the set of desynchronized honest parties that have been registered (continuously) to the ledger, the clock, and the GRO since time  $\tau' < \tau_L \mathtt{Delay}$ . Set  $\mathcal{P}_{DS} := \mathcal{P}_{DS} \setminus \widehat{\mathcal{P}}$ .
  - b) For any synchronized party  $U_p \in \mathcal{H} \setminus \mathcal{P}_{DS}$ , if  $U_p$  is not registered to the clock, then consider it desynchronized, i.e., set  $\mathcal{P}_{DS} \cup \{U_p\}$ .
- 2) If I was received from an honest party  $U_p \in \mathcal{P}$ :
  - a) Set  $\vec{\mathcal{I}}_H^T := \vec{\mathcal{I}}_H^T || (I, U_p, \tau_L);$
  - b) Compute  $\vec{N} = (\vec{N}_1, \dots, \vec{N}_\ell) :=$ ExtendPolicy $(\vec{\mathcal{I}}_H^T, \mathtt{state}, \mathtt{NxtBC}, \mathtt{buffer}, \vec{\tau}_{\mathtt{state}})$  and if  $\vec{N} \neq \varepsilon$  set state:= state||Blockify $(\vec{N}_1)$ ||...||Blockify $(\vec{N}_\ell)$  and  $\vec{\tau}_{\mathtt{state}} := \vec{\tau}_{\mathtt{state}}$ || $\tau_L^\ell$ , where  $\tau_L^\ell = \tau_L$ ||...,|| $\tau_L$ .
  - c) For each BTX  $\in$  buffer: if Validate(BTX, state, buffer) = 0 then delete BTX from buffer. Also, reset NxtBC :=  $\varepsilon$ .
  - d) If there exists  $U_j \in \mathcal{H} \setminus \mathcal{P}_{DS}$  such that  $|\mathtt{state}| \mathtt{pt}_j > \mathtt{windowSize}$  or  $\mathtt{pt}_j < |\mathtt{state}_j|$ , then set  $\mathtt{pt}_k := |\mathtt{state}|$  for all  $U_k \in \mathcal{H} \setminus \mathcal{P}_{DS}$ .
- 3) If the calling party  $U_p$  is stalled or time-unaware (according to the defined party classification), then no further actions are taken. Otherwise, depending on the above input I and its sender's ID,  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{LEDGER}}$  executes the corresponding code from the following list:
  - Submitting a transaction: If I = (SUBMIT, sid, tx) and is received from a party  $U_p \in \mathcal{P}$  or from  $\mathcal{A}$  (on behalf of a corrupted party  $U_p$ ) do the following
    - a) Choose a unique transaction ID txid and set  $\mathtt{BTX} := (\mathtt{tx}, \mathtt{txid}, \tau_L, U_p)$
    - b) If Validate(BTX, state, buffer) = 1, then  $buffer := buffer \cup \{BTX\}$ .
    - c) Send (SUBMIT, BTX) to A.
  - Reading the state:

If I = (READ, sid) is received from a party  $U_p \in \mathcal{P}$  then set  $\mathtt{state}_p := \mathtt{state}|_{\min\{pt_p, |state|\}}$  and return  $(READ, sid, \mathtt{state}_p)$  to the requester. If the requester is  $\mathcal{A}$  then send  $(\mathtt{state}, \mathtt{buffer}, \vec{\mathcal{I}}_H^T)$  to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

- Maintaining the ledger state: If I = (MAINTAIN-LEDGER, sid, minerID) is received by an honest party  $U_p \in \mathcal{P}$  and (after updating  $\vec{\mathcal{I}}_H^T$  as above) predict-time $(\vec{\mathcal{I}}_H^T) = \hat{\tau} > \tau_L$  then send (CLOCK-UPDATE, sid<sub>C</sub>) to  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{CLOCK}}$ . Else send I to  $\mathcal{A}$ .
- The adversary proposing the next block: If  $I = (\text{NEXT-BLOCK}, \text{hFlag}, (\text{txid}_1, \dots, \text{txid}_\ell))$  is sent from the adversary, update NxtBC as follows:

- a) Set listOfTxid  $\leftarrow \epsilon$
- b) For  $i = 1, ..., \ell$  do: if there exists BTX :=  $(x, \text{txid}, \text{minerID}, \tau_L, U_j) \in \text{buffer with}$ ID  $txid = txid_i$  then set  $listOfTxid := listOfTxid||txid_i|$
- c) Finally, set NxtBC := NxtBC||(hFlag, listOfTxid) and output (NEXT-BLOCK, ok) to A.
- The adversary setting state-slackness: If  $I = (\text{SET-SLACK}, (U_{i_1}, \widehat{\text{pt}}_{i_1}), \dots, (U_{i_\ell}, \widehat{\text{pt}}_{i_\ell}))$ , with  $\{U_{p_{i_1}}, \dots, U_{p_{i_\ell}}\} \subseteq \mathcal{H} \setminus \mathcal{P}_{DS}$  is received from the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  do the following:
  - a) If for all  $j \in [\ell]$  :  $|\text{state}| \widehat{\text{pt}}_{i_j} \le \text{windowSize}$ and  $\widehat{\mathsf{pt}}_{i_j} \ge |\mathsf{state}_{i_j}|$ , set  $\mathsf{pt}_{i_1} := \widehat{\mathsf{pt}}_{i_1}$  for every  $j \in [\ell]$  and return (SET-SLACK, ok) to  $\mathcal{A}$ .
  - b) Otherwise set  $pt_{i_i} := |state|$  for all  $j \in [\ell]$ .
- The adversary setting the state for desychronized parties:If I =(DESYNC-STATE,  $(U_{i_1}, \mathtt{state}'_{i_1}), \ldots, (U_{i_\ell}, \mathtt{state}'_{i_\ell})$ ), with  $\{U_{i_1}, \ldots, U_{i_\ell}\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{DS}$  is received from the adversary A, set  $\mathtt{state}_{i_j} := \mathtt{state}'_{i_j}$  for each  $j \in [\ell]$  and return (DESYNC-STATE, ok) to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

## Functionality Functionality $\mathcal{G}_{\text{CLOCK}}$

The functionality manages the set  $\mathcal{P}$  of registered identities, i.e., parties  $U_p = (pid, sid)$ . It also manages the set F of functionalities (together with their session identifier). Initially,  $\mathcal{P} := \emptyset$  and  $F := \emptyset$ .

For each session sid the clock maintains a variable  $\tau_{\rm sid}$ . For each identity  $U_p := (\text{pid}, \text{sid}) \in \mathcal{P}$  it manages variable  $d_{U_n}$ . For each pair  $(\mathcal{F}, \text{sid}) \in F$  it manages variable  $d_{(\mathcal{F}, \text{sid})}$  (all integer variables are initially 0).

#### Synchronization:

- Upon receiving (CLOCK-UPDATE,  $sid_C$ ) from some party  $U_p \in \mathcal{P}$  set  $d_{U_p} := 1$ ; execute Round-Update and forward (CLOCK-UPDATE,  $\operatorname{sid}_C$ ,  $U_p$ ) to  $\mathcal{A}$ .
- Upon receiving (CLOCK-UPDATE,  $sid_C$ ) from some functionality  $\mathcal{F}$  in a session sid such that  $(\mathcal{F}, \text{sid}) \in F$ set  $d_{(\mathcal{F}, \text{sid})} := 1$ , execute Round-Update and return (CLOCK-UPDATE,  $\operatorname{sid}_C$ ,  $\mathcal{F}$ ) to this instance of  $\mathcal{F}$ .
- Upon receiving (CLOCK-READ,  $sid_C$ ) from any participant (including the environment on behalf of a party, the adversary, or any ideal—shared or local—functionality) return (CLOCK-READ,  $\operatorname{sid}$ ,  $\tau_{\operatorname{sid}}$ ) to the requestor (where sid is the sid of the calling instance).

 $Procedure\ Round\mbox{-}Update :$  For each session sid do: If  $d_{(\mathcal{F}, \mathrm{sid})} := 1$  for all  $\mathcal{F} \in F$  and  $d_{U_p} = 1$  for all honest parties  $U_p = (\cdot, \text{sid}) \in \mathcal{P}$ , then set  $\tau_{\text{sid}} := \tau_{\text{sid}} + 1$  and reset  $d_{(\mathcal{F}, \text{sid})} := 0$  and  $d_{U_p} := 0$  for all parties  $U_p = (\cdot, \operatorname{sid}) \in \mathcal{P}$ .

# Functionality $\mathcal{F}_{N-MC}^{\Delta}$

The functionality is parameterized with a set possible senders and receivers  $\mathcal{P}$ . Any newly registered (resp. deregistered) party is added to (resp. deleted from)  $\mathcal{P}$ .

- Honest sender multicast. Upon receiving (MULTICAST, sid, m) from some  $U_p \in \mathcal{P}$ , where  $\mathcal{P} = \{U_1, \dots, U_n\}$  denotes the current party set, choose n new unique message-IDs  $mid_1, \ldots, mid_n$ , initialize 2n new variables  $D_{\mathrm{mid}_1} := D_{\mathrm{mid}_1}^{MAX} \ldots := D_{\mathrm{mid}_n} := D_{\mathrm{mid}_n}^{MAX} := 1$ , set  $\vec{M}||(m, \operatorname{mid}_1, D_{\operatorname{mid}_1}, U_1)|| \dots ||(m, \operatorname{mid}_n, D_{\operatorname{mid}_n}, U_n),$ and send (MULTICAST, sid,  $m, U_p, (U_1, \operatorname{mid}_1), \ldots, (U_n, \operatorname{mid}_n)$ ) to the adversary.
- Adversarial sender (partial) multicast. Upon receiving (MULTICAST, sid,  $(m_{i_1}, U_{i_1}), \ldots, (m_{i_\ell}, U_{i_\ell})$ ) from the adversary with  $\{U_{i_1}, \ldots, U_{i_\ell}\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}$ , choose  $\ell$ new unique message-IDs  $\mathrm{mid}_{i_1},\ldots,\mathrm{mid}_{i_\ell},$  initialize  $\ell$ new variables  $D_{\mathrm{mid}_{i_1}} := D_{\mathrm{mid}_{i_\ell}}^{MAX} := \ldots := D_{\mathrm{mid}_{i_\ell}} := D_{\mathrm{mid}_{i_\ell}}^{MAX} := 1,$ set  $\vec{M} := \vec{M}||(m_{i_1}, \text{mid}_{i_1}, D_{\text{mid}_{i_1}}, U_{i_1})||\dots$  $\ldots ||(m_{i_{\ell}}, \operatorname{mid}_{i_{\ell}}, D_{\operatorname{mid}_{i_{\ell}}}, U_{i_{\ell}}), \text{ and send}$ (MULTICAST, sid,  $(m_{i_1}, U_{i_1}, \operatorname{mid}_{i_1}), \ldots, (m_{i_\ell}, U_{i_\ell}, \operatorname{mid}_{i_\ell})$ to the adversary.
- Honest party fetching. Upon receiving (FETCH, sid) from  $U_p \in \mathcal{P}$  (or from  $\mathcal{A}$  on behalf of  $U_p$ if  $U_p$  is corrupted):
  - 1) For all tuples  $(m, \text{mid}, D_{\text{mid}}, U_p) \in \vec{M}$ , set
  - $\begin{array}{l} D_{\mathrm{mid}} := D_{\mathrm{mid}} 1. \\ 2) \text{ Let } \vec{M}_0^{U_p} \text{ denote the subvector } \vec{M} \text{ including all} \end{array}$ tuples of the form  $(m, \text{mid}, D_{\text{mid}}, U_p)$  with  $D_{\rm mid} = 0$  (in the same order as they appear in  $\vec{M}$ ). Delete all entries in  $\vec{M}_0^{U_p}$  from  $\vec{M}$ , and send  $\vec{M}_0^{U_p}$  to  $U_p$ .
- Adding adversarial delays. Upon receiving  $(\text{DELAYS}, \text{sid}, (T_{\min_{i_1}}, \min_{i_1}), \dots, (T_{\min_{i_\ell}}, \min_{i_\ell})) \text{ from }$ the adversary do the following for each pair  $(T_{{\rm mid}_{i_j}}, {\rm mid}_{i_j})$ : If  $D_{{\rm mid}_{i_j}}^{MAX} + T_{{\rm mid}_{i_j}} \leq \Delta$  and mid is a message-ID registered in the current  $\vec{M}$ , set  $D_{\min i_{i_j}} := D_{\min i_{i_j}} + T_{\min i_{i_j}}$  and set  $D_{\min i_{i_j}}^{MAX} := D_{\min i_{i_j}}^{MAX} + T_{\min i_{i_j}}$ ; otherwise, ignore this pair
- Adversarially reordering messages. Upon receiving (SWAP, sid, mid, mid') from the adversary, if mid and mid' are message-IDs registered in the current M, then swap the triples  $(m, \text{mid}, D_{\text{mid}}, \cdot)$ and  $(m, \text{mid}', D_{\text{mid}'}, \cdot)$  in  $\vec{M}$ . Return (SWAP, sid) to the adversary.

# Appendix J. Security Proof

 $\textbf{Lemma 4. } \text{Exec}^{\mathcal{G}_{\operatorname{Ledger}}}_{\Pi_{\operatorname{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\operatorname{d}},\mathcal{E}} = \text{Exec}^{\mathcal{F}_{\operatorname{PayNet},\operatorname{dummy}},\mathcal{G}_{\operatorname{Ledger}}}_{\mathcal{S}_{\operatorname{LN}},\mathcal{E}}$ 

*Proof:* Consider a message that  $\mathcal{E}$  sends. In the real world, the protocol ITIs produce an output. In the ideal world, the message is given to  $\mathcal{S}_{LN}$  through

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Functionality \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet,dummy}}
1: Upon receiving any message M from Alice:
       if M is a valid \mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}} message from a player
           send (M, Alice) to S
3:
4:
        end if
5: Upon receiving any message (M, Alice) from S:
       if M is a valid \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}} message from S then
6:
           send M to Alice
7:
       end if
8:
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Figure 48.

## Simulator $\mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{LN}}$

Expects the same messages as the protocol, but messages that the protocol expects to receive from  $\mathcal{E}$ , the simulator expects to receive from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,dummy}$ with the name of the player appended. The simulator internally executes one copy of the protocol per player. Upon receiving any message, the simulator runs the relevant code of the protocol copy tied to the appended player name. Mimicking the real-world case, if a protocol copy sends a message to another player, that message is passed to A as if sent by the player and if A allows the message to reach the receiver, then the simulator reacts by acting upon the message with the protocol copy corresponding to the recipient player. A message sent by a protocol copy to  $\mathcal{E}$  will be routed by  $\mathcal{S}$  to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,dummy}}$  instead. To distinguish which player it comes from, S also appends the player name to the message. Corruption messages in the backdoor tapes of simulated parties are also forwarded to  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet,dummv}$ .

Figure 49.

 $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet.dummy}}$ . The former simulates the protocol ITIs of the real world (along with their coin flips) and so produces an output from the exact same distribution, which is given to  $\mathcal{E}$  through  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet,dummy}}$ . Thus the two outputs are indistinguishable.

#### Lemma 5.

$$\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{dummy}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = \text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN}-\text{Reg}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Reg}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}}$$

*Proof:* When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (REGISTER, delay, relayDelay) to Alice, it receives as a response (REGISTER, Alice, delay, relayDelay,  $pk_{Alice}$ ) where  $pk_{Alice}$  is a public key generated by KeyGen() both in the real (c.f. Fig. 26, line 12) and in the ideal world (c.f. Fig. 51, line 4).

Furthermore, one (READ) is sent to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  from Alice in both cases (Fig. 26, line 11 and Fig. 13, line 10).

Additionally,  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg}}$  ensures that the state of Alice ITI is exactly the same as what would have been in the case of  $S_{LN}$ , as lines 9-12 of Fig. 26 change the state of Alice ITI in the same way as lines 2-4 of Fig. 51.

Lastly, the fact that the state of the Alice ITIs are

### Functionality $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet},\mathrm{Reg}}$

- 1: For messages register, registerDone, toppedUp and CORRUPTED, act like  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ , but skip lines that call checkClosed().
- 2: Upon receiving any other message M from Alice:
- if M is a valid  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  message from a player 3: then
- send (M, Alice) to S4:
- end if 5:
- 6: Upon receiving any other message (M, Alice) from S:
- if M is a valid  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  message from S then
- 8: send M to Alice
- 9: end if

Figure 50.

# Simulator $\mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{LN-Reg}}$

Like  $S_{LN}$ , but it does not accept (TOPPEDUP) from  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet,Reg}}$ . Additional differences:

- 1: Upon receiving (REGISTER, Alice, delay, relayDelay) from  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Reg}}$ :
- 2:  $delay ext{ of } Alice ext{ITI } \leftarrow delay$
- relayDelay of  $Alice \text{ ITI } \leftarrow \text{relayDelay}$ 3:
- $(pk_{Alice}, sk_{Alice})$  of  $Alice ITI \leftarrow \texttt{KeyGen}()$ 4:
- send (REGISTERDONE, Alice,  $pk_{Alice}$ ) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Reg}}$
- 6: Upon receiving (CORRUPT) on the backdoor tape of Alice's simulated ITI:
- 7: add Alice to corrupted
- for the rest of the execution, upon receiving any message for Alice, bypass normal execution and simply forward it to Alice
- 9: send (CORRUPTED, Alice) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Reg}}$

Figure 51.

changed in the same way in both worlds, along with the same argument as in the proof of Lemma 4 ensures that the rest of the messages are responded in an indistinguishable way in both worlds. 

Lemma 6.
$$\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Reg}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = \text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Open}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}}$$

$$Proof: \text{ When } \mathcal{E} \text{ sends } (\text{OPENCHANNEL } A)$$

*Proof:* When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, fchid, tid) to Alice, the interaction of Figures 27-31 will be executed in both the real and the ideal world. In more detail, in the ideal world the execution of the honest parties will be simulated by the respective ITIs run by  $S_{LN-Reg-Open}$ , so their state will be identical to that of the parties in the real execution. Furthermore, since  $S_{LN-Reg-Open}$  executes faithfully the protocol code, it generates the same messages as would be generated by the parties themselves in the real-world

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Functionality \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet,Open}}
1: For messages register, registerDone, toppedUp,
   OPENCHANNEL, ADVERSARYOPENCHANNEL,
   CHANNELANNOUNCED and CHECKFORNEW, act like
   \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}, but skip lines that call checkClosed().
2: Upon receiving any other message M from Alice:
      if M is a valid \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}} message from a player
   then
          send (M, Alice) to S
4:
       end if
5:
6: Upon receiving any other message (M, Alice) from S:
       if M is a valid \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}} message from S then
          send M to Alice
8:
9:
      end if
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Figure 52.

setting.

We observe that the input validity check executed by  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Open}}$  (Fig. 14, line 2) filters only messages that would be ignored by the real protocol as well and would not change its state either (Fig. 27, line 2).

We also observe that, upon receiving the message OPENCHANNEL or CHANNELANNOUNCED,  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}$  does not send any messages to parties other than  $\mathcal{S}_{LN-Reg-Open}$ , so we don't have to simulate those.

When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (CHECKFORNEW, Alice, Bob, tid) to Alice in the real world, line 2 of Fig. 32 will allow execution to continue if there exists an entry with temporary id tid in pendingOpen marked as "broadcast". Such an entry can be added either in Fig. 27, line 8 or in Fig. 28, line 6. The former event can happen only in case Alice received a valid OPENCHANNEL message from Bob with temporary id tid, which in turn can be triggered only by a valid OPENCHANNEL message with the same temporary id from  $\mathcal{E}$  to Bob, whereas the latter only in case Alice received a valid openChannel message from  $\mathcal{E}$  with the same temporary id. Furthermore, in the first case the "broadcast" mark can be added only before Alice sends (FUNDINGSIGNED, pchid, sig) to Bob (Fig. 30, line 12) (which needs a valid Alice-Bob interaction up to that point), and in the second case the "broadcast" mark can be added only before Alice sends (SUBMIT, (sig, F)) to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  (Fig. 31, line 8) (which also needs a valid *Alice-Bob* interaction up to that point)

In the ideal world, when the simulated  $\mathcal{A}$  attempts to open a new channel by instructing corrupted Alice to send (OPENCHANNEL, x, bobDelay, \_\_, \_\_, \_\_, \_\_, \_\_, \_\_, tid) to honest Bob,  $\mathcal{S}$  sends (ADVERSARYOPENCHANNEL, x, bobDelay, tid, intid, from Alice, to Bob) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Open}}$  (Fig. 53, lines 16-20). In this case,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Open}}$  stores the intention and prompts  $\mathcal{S}$  to continue the channel negotiation (Fig. 14, lines 6-11), who in turn simulates the receipt of OPEN-

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Simulator \mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{LN-Reg-Open}} – open
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Like  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{LN-Reg}}$ . Differences:

- 1: Upon receiving (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, fchid, tid) from F<sub>PayNet,Open</sub>:
- 2: **if** both *Alice* and *Bob* are honest **then**
- 3: Simulate the interaction between Alice and Bob in their respective ITI, as defined in Figures 27-31. All messages should be handed to and received from A, as in the real world execution.
- 4: After sending (FUNDINGSIGNED) as Bob to Alice, send (CHANNELANNOUNCED, Bob, p<sub>Alice,F</sub>, p<sub>Bob,F</sub>, fchid, pchid, tid) to F<sub>PavNet,Open</sub>.
- 5: After submitting F to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  as Alice, send (CHANNELANNOUNCED, Alice,  $p_{Alice,F}$ ,  $p_{Bob,F}$ ,  $f_{chid}$ ,  $p_{chid}$ ) to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}$ .
- 6: else if Alice is honest, Bob is corrupted then
  7: Simulate Alice's part of the interaction between Alice and Bob in Alice's ITI, as defined in Figures 27, 29, and 31.All messages should be handed to and received from A, as in the real world execution.
- 8: After submitting F to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  as Alice, send (CHANNELANNOUNCED, Alice,  $p_{Alice,F}$ ,  $p_{Bob,F}$ , fchid, pchid) to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}$ .
- 9: **else if** Alice is corrupted, Bob is honest **then**10: send (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, fchid, tid) to simulated (corrupted) Alice
- 11: Simulate Bob's part of the interaction between Alice and Bob in Bob's ITI, as defined in Figures 28 and 30. All messages should be handed to and received from  $\mathcal{A}$ , as in the real world execution.
- 12: After sending (FUNDINGSIGNED) as Bob to Alice, send (CHANNELANNOUNCED, Bob,  $p_{Alice,F}$ ,  $p_{Bob,F}$ , fchid, pchid) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Open}}$ .
- 13: else if both Alice and Bob are corrupted then
  14: forward message to A // A may open the channel or not
- 15: **end if**
- 16: Upon receiving (OPENCHANNEL, x, remoteDelay,  $pt_F$ ,  $ptb_{pay}$ ,  $ptb_{dpay}$ ,  $ptb_{htlc}$ ,  $pt_{com,1}$ ,  $ptb_{rev}$ , tid, from Alice, to Bob) from A:
- 17: ensure Alice is corrupted and that Bob is not
- 18: choose unique number and assign it to *intid*
- 19: store received message along with *intid*
- 20: send (ADVERSARYOPENCHANNEL, x, remoteDelay, tid, intid, from Alice, to Bob) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Open}}$
- 21: Upon receiving (ADVERSARYOPENCHANNEL, fchid, intid) from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}$ :
- 22: retrieve message associated with intid
- 3: Continue simulation with *Alice* receiving the message from *Bob*

Continued in Fig. 54

Figure 53.

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Simulator \mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{LN-Reg-Open}} – funding locked
Continuing from Fig. 53
 1: Upon receiving (FundingLocked, Alice, \Sigma_{Alice},
    fchid) from \mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}:
        execute lines 5-9 of Fig. 32 with Alice's ITI, using
    \Sigma_{Alice} from message
        if Bob is honest then
            expect the delivery of Alice's
    (FUNDINGLOCKED) message from A
            send (FUNDINGLOCKED, fchid) to
    \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet,Open}}
            upon receiving (FUNDINGLOCKED, Bob, \Sigma_{Bob},
    fchid) from \mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}:
            simulate Fig. 33 with message from Alice in
    Bob's ITI, using \Sigma_{Bob} from \mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}'s message
 9: Upon receiving the (FUNDINGLOCKED) message with
    the simulated Alice ITI:
        simulate Fig. 33 receiving the message with
        send (CHANNELOPENED, fchid) to \mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}
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Figure 54.

Channel by *Bob* (Fig. 53, lines 21-23). In the real world, such a message by the adversarially controlled *Alice* would result in the honest player *Bob* starting the same opening negotiation as the one that was just described in the ideal world, therefore the two behaviours are indistinguishable.

When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (CHECKFORNEW, Alice, Bob, tid) to Alice in the ideal world, line 5 of Fig. 15 will allow execution to continue if there exists an entry with temporary ID tid and one member Alice, marked as "Alice announced" in pendingOpen(fchid) for some fchid. This can only happen if line 3 of Fig. 15 is executed, where pendingOpen(fchid) contains tid as the temporary ID. This line in turn can only be executed if  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet,Open}}$  received (CHANNELANNOUNCED, Alice,  $p_{Alice,F}, p_{Bob,F}, fchid, pchid, tid)$  from  $S_{LN-Reg-Open}$ such that the entry pendingOpen(fchid) exists and has temporary ID tid, as mandated by line 2 of Fig. 15. Such a message is sent by  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$  of Fig. 53 either in lines 5/8, or in lines 4/12. One of the first pair of lines is executed only if  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$ receives (OPENCHANNEL, Alice, Bob, x, fchid, tid) from  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet,Open}$  and the simulated  $\mathcal{A}$  allows a valid Alice-Bob interaction up to the point where Alice sends (SUBMIT) to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ , whereas one of the second pair of lines is executed only if  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$ receives (OPENCHANNEL, Bob, Alice, x, fchid, tid) from  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet,Open}}$  and the simulated  $\mathcal{A}$  allows a valid Alice-Bob interaction up to the point where Alice sends (FUNDINGSIGNED) to Bob.

The last two points lead us to deduce that line 5 of Fig. 15 in the ideal and line 2 of Fig. 32 in the

real world will allow execution to continue in the exact same cases with respect to the messages that  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  send. Given that execution continues, *Alice* subsequently sends (READ) to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  and performs identical checks in both the ideal (Fig. 15, lines 8-9) and the real world (Fig. 32, lines 3-4).

Moving on, in the real world lines 5-9 of Fig. 32 are executed by Alice and, given that  $\mathcal{A}$  allows it, the code of Fig. 33 is executed by Bob. Likewise, in the ideal world, the functionality executes lines 10-11 of Fig. 32 and as a result it (always) sends (FUNDINGLOCKED, Alice,  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ , fchid) to  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$ . In turn  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$  simulates lines 5-9 of Fig. 32 with Alice's ITI and, if  $\mathcal{A}$  allows it,  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$  simulates the code of Fig. 33 with Bob's ITI. Once more we conclude that both worlds appear to behave identically to both  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  under the same inputs from them.

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Functionality \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet,Pay}}
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1: For messages register, registerDone, toppedUp, openChannel, channelAnnounced, checkForNew, poll, pay, adversarySendInvoice, pushAdd, pushFulfill, fulfillOnChain and commit, act like \mathcal{F}_{PayNet}, but skip lines that call checkClosed().
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2: Upon receiving any other message M from Alice:
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3: if M is a valid \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}} message from a player then
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4: send (M, Alice) to S
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6: Upon receiving any other message (M, Alice) from  $\mathcal{S}$ :

7: **if** M is a valid  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}}$  message from  $\mathcal{S}$  **then** 

send M to Alice

9: end if

8:

Figure 55.

<sup>5:</sup> end if

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Simulator \mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}}
Like S_{LN-Reg-Open}. Differences:
 1: Upon simulating line 1 of Fig. 37:
        if \exists (\bot, \bot, payid) \in payids where payid is the one
    in the invoice message then
            replace second \perp with the h found in the
    INVOICE message
        end if
 5: Upon simulating line 1 of Fig. 38 with honest Alice:
        if \exists payid : (\overrightarrow{path}, h, payid) \in \overrightarrow{payids} where h is
    the one in the UPDATEADDHTLC message then
 7:
            append Alice to path
 8:
        end if
 9: Upon receiving (FULFILLONCHAIN, t, Alice) from
    \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}:
        execute lines 3-12 of Fig. 45 as Alice, using t
    from message
        if during the simulation above, line 8 is
    simulated in Alice's ITI then
            send (NEWPAYMENTS, payment, Alice) to
12:
    \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet,Pay}}, where payment consists of the tuple just
    added to the simulated paymentsToReport,
    appended with the payid mentioned in line 7
            upon receiving (CONTINUE) from \mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay},
    carry on with the simulation
        end if
14:
15: Upon receiving
    (PAY, Alice, Bob, x, \overrightarrow{path}, expayid, payid) from
    \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}:
16:
        add (\overrightarrow{path}, \top, payid) to payids
        strip payid and Alice, simulate receiving the
    message with Alice ITI and further execute the parts
    of \Pi_{LN} that correspond to honest parties
    (Fig. 36-Fig. 40)
        if any "ensure" in \Pi_{LN} fails until Bob processes
    UPDATEADDHTLC then // payment failed
            add (\bot, payid) to charged (Alice)
20:
            remove (path, __, payid) from payids
21:
22: Upon receiving (POLL, \Sigma_{Alice}, Alice) from
    \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}:
        simulate Fig. 34, lines 3-27 receiving (POLL),
23:
    using \Sigma_{Alice} from the message, with Alice's ITI
        if during the simulation above, line 18 of Fig. 35
    is simulated in Alice's ITI then
            send (NEWPAYMENTS, payment, Alice) to
    \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet,Pay}}, where payment consists of the tuple just
    added to the simulated paymentsToReport,
    appended with the payid stored the entry of
    pendingPay referred to in line 17 (Fig. 35, line 18)
            upon receiving (CONTINUE) from \mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}},
    carry on with the simulation
        end if
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Figure 56.

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Simulator S_{LN-Reg-Open-Pay} – adversarial payment
 1: Upon receiving (SENDINVOICE, x, expayid, payid,
    from Alice, to Bob) from A:
       ensure Alice is corrupted and that Bob is not
 2:
       ensure no other payment with the same payid
 3:
    exists
 4:
       choose unique number adn assign it to invid
       store received message along with invid
5:
       add (\perp, \perp, payid) to payids
 6:
       send (Adversary Send Invoice, x, expayid,
    payid, intid, from Alice, to Bob) to \mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay}
 8: Upon receiving (ADVERSARYSENDINVOICE, invid)
    from \mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Open}:
       retrieve message associated with invid
10:
       Continue simulation with Alice receiving the
    message from Bob
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Figure 57.

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Simulator S_{LN-Reg-Open-Pay} – resolve payments
 1: Upon receiving any message with a concatenated
    (STATE, \Sigma) part from \mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay}: // PAY,
    PUSHFULFILL, PUSHADD, COMMIT
         handle first part of the message normally
         if at the end of the simulation above, control is
    still held by \mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}} then for all \Sigma_{Alice} \in \Sigma do
 4:
 5:
                 for all
    (\mathtt{path}, \_, \mathit{payid}) \in \mathtt{payids} : \mathit{Alice} \in \overrightarrow{\mathtt{path}} \ \mathbf{do}
                     if condition in Fig. 60 is met then //
    no or bad communication with Bob's previous player
                         execute effect in Fig. 60
 7:
                     else if condition in Fig. 61 is met
    then // Alice did not fulfill in time
 9:
                         execute effect in Fig. 61
                     else if condition in Fig. 62 is met
10:
    then // honest payment completed
                         execute effect in Fig. 62
11:
12:
                     end if
                 end for
13:
14:
             end for
             clear charged and send
15:
    (RESOLVEPAYS, charged) to \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet,Pay}}
16:
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Figure 59.

### Simulator $\mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}}$ – push

- 1: Upon receiving (PUSHFULFILL, pchid, Alice) from F<sub>PayNet,Pay</sub>:
- 2: simulate Fig. 44, lines 1-19 on input (PUSHFULFILL, pchid) with Alice's ITI and handle subsequent messages by simulating respective ITIs of honest players or sending to A the messages for corrupted players
- 3: **if** during the simulation above, line 14 of Fig. 44 is simulated in *Alice's* ITI **then**
- 4: send (NEWPAYMENTS, payment, Alice) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$ , where payment consists of the tuple just added to the simulated paymentsToReport, appended with the payid of line 12 (Fig. 44, line 14)
- 5: upon receiving (CONTINUE) from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay}$ , carry on with the simulation
- 6: end if
- 7: Upon receiving (PUSHADD, pchid, Alice) from  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$ :
- 8: simulate Fig. 44, lines 20-24 on input (PUSHADD, pchid) with Alice's ITI and handle subsequent messages by simulating respective ITIs of honest players or sending to  $\mathcal A$  the messages for corrupted players
- 9: Upon receiving (COMMIT, pchid, Alice) from  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Pay}}$ :
- 10: simulate Fig. 41 on input (COMMIT, pchid) with Alice's ITI and handle subsequent messages by simulating respective ITIs of honest players or sending to A the messages for corrupted players
- 11: **if** during the simulation above, line 10 of Fig. 43 is simulated in *Alice*'s ITI **then**
- 12: send (NEWUPDATE, receipt, *Alice*) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$ , where receipt is the field just added to the simulated updatesToReport (Fig. 43, line 10)
- 13: upon receiving (CONTINUE) from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay}$ , carry on with the simulation
- 14: **end if**
- 15: **if** during the simulation above, line 16 of Fig. 43 is simulated in *Alice*'s ITI **then**
- 16: send (NEWPAYMENTS, payments, Alice) to \( \mathcal{F}\_{PayNet,Pay}, \) where payments consists of the fields just added to the simulated paymentsToReport, each field appended with the respective payid of line 11 (Fig. 43, line 16)
- 17: upon receiving (CONTINUE) from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay}$ , carry on with the simulation
- 18: **end if**

Figure 58.

### Simulator $S_{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}$ – corrupted charged

#### Condition:

1: Alice sent UPDATEFULFILLHTLC to a corrupted player and either (got the fulfillment of the HTLC irrevocably committed OR fulfilled the HTLC on-chain (i.e. HTLC-success is in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ )), AND the next honest player Bob down the line successfully timed out the HTLC on-chain (i.e. HTLC-timeout is in  $\Sigma_{Bob}$ )

### Effect:

- 2: add (corrupted, payid) to charged(payer) where corrupted is set to one of the corrupted parties between Alice and Bob
- 3: if there is an h ≠ T member in payids entry then // adversarially initiated payment, functionality doesn't know path
- 4: append path to charged(Alice) entry
- 5: end if
- 6: remove (path, \_\_, payid) from payids

Figure 60.

### **Simulator** $S_{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}$ – no timely fulfill

### Condition:

1:  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  contains an old  ${\tt remoteCom}_m$  of the channel before Alice (closer to payer) on the path that does not contain the relevant HTLC anymore and a tx that spends the delayed output of  ${\tt remoteCom}_m \lor ((\Sigma_{Alice} \text{ contains the most recent } {\tt remoteCom}_n \text{ or } {\tt localCom}_n \text{ of the channel before } Alice \text{ and the HTLC-timeout of the relevant HTLC} \lor Alice's latest irrevocably committed <math>{\tt remoteCom}_n \text{ for the channel before } Alice \text{ does not contain the } {\tt HTLC}) \land \Sigma_{Alice} \text{ contains the most recent } {\tt remoteCom}_l \text{ or } {\tt localCom}_l \text{ and the } {\tt HTLC-success that pays the counterparty for } {\tt HTLC} \text{ of the channel after } Alice)$ 

#### Effect:

- add (Alice, payid) to charged(payer)
  if there is an h ≠ ⊤ member in payids entry
- then // adversarially initiated payment, functionality doesn't know path
- 4: append path to charged(Alice) entry
- 5: end if
- 6: remove (path, \_, payid) from payids

Figure 61.

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Simulator S_{LN-Reg-Open-Pay} – honest payment
   Condition:
      Alice is the payer in path AND ((she has
  received UPDATEFULFILLHTLC AND has
  subsequently sent COMMIT and REVOKEANDACK)
  OR (player after Alice has irrevocably fulfilled the
  HTLC on-chain (i.e. his HTLC-success is in \Sigma_{Alice})
  AND Alice has received POLL to observe it))
  Effect:
      add (Alice, payid) to charged(Alice)
      if there is an h \neq \top member in payids entry
  then // adversarially initiated payment,
  functionality doesn't know path
         append path to charged(Alice) entry
4:
      end if
5:
      remove (path, _, payid) from payids
6:
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Figure 62.

#### Lemma 7.

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\begin{split} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \ PPT \ \mathcal{E}, \\ |\Pr[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}},\mathcal{E}_{\text{Ledger}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Open}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1] - \\ -\Pr[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Pay}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1]| \leq \\ nm \cdot \text{E-ds}(k) + 3np \cdot \text{E-ibs}(k) + \\ nmp \cdot \text{E-share}(k) + \text{E-prf}(k) + nm \cdot \text{E-master}(k) \end{split} .
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Proof: Before focusing on individual messages sent by  $\mathcal{E}$  or  $\mathcal{A}$ , we will first prove that four particular forgery events happen with negligible probability. Let P be the event in which at some point during the execution a transaction that has the following two characteristics appears in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ , for some honest player Alice: it spends a funding transaction of a channel that contains Alice (and thus has a  $p_{Alice,F}$  public key) and it was never signed by Alice. Suppose that m is the maximum number of channels that a player can open and  $\exists \ \text{PPT } \mathcal{E}_P : \Pr[P] = a$ . We show in Proposition 3 that  $\forall \mathcal{E}, \Pr[P] \leq nm \cdot \text{E-ds}(k)$ .

Let Q be the event in which at some point during the execution a transaction that has the following two characteristics appears in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ , for some honest player Alice: it spends a simple output, delayed output or htle output tied with a public key that was created by Alice ( $p_{Alice,pay,n}, p_{Alice,dpay,n}, p_{Alice,htlc,n}$  respectively) and it was never signed by Alice. Suppose that p is the maximum total number of opens and updates that a player can perform and that  $\exists \text{ PPT } \mathcal{E}_Q : \Pr[Q] = b$ . We show in Proposition 4 that  $\forall \mathcal{E}, \Pr[Q] \leq 3np \cdot \text{E-ibs}(k)$ .

Let R be the event in which at some point during the execution a transaction that has the following characteristic appears in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ , for some honest player Alice: it spends the revocation output of a local (for Alice) commitment transaction for a channel that contains Alice and Bob (and thus has a  $p_{Bob,rev,n}$  key). Observe that, since Alice is honest and according to both the real and the ideal execution, if Alice submits her local commitment transaction localCom<sub>n</sub> to the ledger, under no circumstances does she subsequently go on to send  $s_{Alice,com,n}$  to any party. (This secret information could be used by Bob to efficiently compute  $s_{Bob,rev,n}$  with CombineKey( $pb_{Bob,rev},sb_{Bob,rev},p_{Alice,com,n},s_{Alice,com,n}$ ).) Suppose that p is the maximum total number of opens and updates that a player can perform, m is the maximum number of opens a player can perform and  $\exists$  PPT  $\mathcal{E}_R: Pr[R] = c$ . We show in Proposition 5 that  $\forall \mathcal{E}, \Pr[R] \leq nmp \cdot \text{E-share}(k) + \text{E-prf}(k)$ .

Lastly, let S be the event in which at some point during the execution a transaction that has the following two characteristics appears in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ , for some honest player Alice: (a) it spends the revocation output of a remote (for Alice) commitment transaction for a channel that contains Alice (and thus has a  $p_{Alice,rev,n}$  key) and (b) it was never signed by Alice. Observe that, since Alice is honest, she has never sent  $s_{Alice,rev,n}$  to any party. Suppose that m is the maximum total number of opens and updates that a player can perform and that  $\exists \ \text{PPT } \mathcal{E}_S : \Pr[S] = d$ . We show in Proposition 6 that  $\forall \mathcal{E}, \Pr[S] \leq nm \cdot \text{E-master}(k)$ .

In the ideal world, when the simulated  $\mathcal{A}$  attempts to send a payment by instructing corrupted Alice to send (SENDINVOICE, x, expayid, payid) to the honest payee Bob,  $\mathcal{S}$  sends (ADVERSARYSENDINVOICE, x, expayid, payid, intid,  $from\ Alice$ ,  $to\ Bob$ ) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Pay}}$  (Fig. 57, lines 1-7). In this case,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Pay}}$  stores the intention and prompts  $\mathcal{S}$  to continue the payment (Fig. 16, lines 5-9), who in turn simulates the receipt of SENDINVOICE by Bob (Fig. 57, lines 8-10). In the real world, such a message by the adversarially controlled Alice would result in the honest Bob sending the same invoice, therefore the two behaviours are indistinguishable.

In the ideal world, when the simulated  $\mathcal{A}$  attempts to add an HTLC by instructing corrupted Alice to send (UPDATEADDHTLC, pchid, HTLCNo, x, h, IncomingCltvExpiry, M) to honest Bob,  $\mathcal{S}$  simply simulates the receiving of the message by Bob and subsequently carries out the rest of the simulation. In the real world, such a message by the adversarially controlled Alice would result in Bob and the rest of the ITIs following the same steps as in the simulated case, therefore the two behaviours are indistinguishable.

We can now move on to treating individual messages sent by  $\mathcal{E}$  during the execution. When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends  $\left( \operatorname{PAY}, Bob, x, \operatorname{\mathtt{path}}, expayid \right)$  to Alice in the ideal world,  $\mathcal{S}_{\operatorname{LN-Reg-Open}}$  is always notified (Fig. 16, line 4) and simulates the relevant execution of the real world (Fig. 56, line 17). No messages to  $\mathcal{G}_{\operatorname{Ledger}}$  or  $\mathcal{E}$  that differ from the real world are generated in the process. At the end of this simulation, no further messages are sent (and the control returns to  $\mathcal{E}$ ). Therefore, when  $\mathcal{E}$  sends PAY, no opportunity for distinguishability arises.

When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends any message of (PUSHADD, pchid),

(PUSHFULFILL, pchid), (COMMIT, pchid) to Alice in the ideal world, it is forwarded to  $S_{\rm LN-Reg-Open}$  (Fig. 24, lines 2, 4, 6 respectively), who in turn simulates Alice's real-world execution with her simulated ITI and the handling of any subsequent messages sent by Alice's ITI (Fig. 58, lines 2, 8, 10). Neither  $\mathcal{F}_{\rm PayNet,Pay}$  nor  $S_{\rm LN-Reg-Open}$  alter their state as a result of these messages, apart from the state of Alice's simulated ITI and the state of other simulated ITIs that receive and handle messages that were sent as a result of Alice's ITI simulation. The states of these ITIs are modified in the exact same way as they would in the real world. We deduce that these three messages do not introduce any opportunity for  $\mathcal{E}$  to distinguish the real and the ideal world.

When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (FULFILLONCHAIN) to Alice in the real world, lines 1-12 of Fig. 45 are executed by Alice. In the ideal world on the other hand,  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay}$ sends (READ) to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  (Fig. 24, line 8) as Aliceand subsequently instructs  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$  to simulate the receiving of (FULFILLONCHAIN) with Alice's ITI (Fig. 56, lines 9-10). Observe that during this simulation a second (READ) message to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  (that would not match any message in the real world) is avoided because  $S_{LN-Reg-Open}$  skips line 2 of Fig. 45, using as t the one received from  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  in the message (FULFILLONCHAIN, t, Alice). Since  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  sends (READ) to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  as Alice and given that after  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$ replies, control is given directly to  $S_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$ , the t used during the simulation of Alice's ITI is identical to the one that Alice would obtain in the real-world execution. The rest of the simulation is thus identical with the real-world execution, therefore FULFILLONCHAIN does not introduce any opportunity for distinghuishability.

When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (POLL) to *Alice*, the first action is sending (READ) as Alice to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  both in the ideal (Fig. 23, line 4) and the real (Fig. 34, line 2) worlds. Subsequently, in the real world lines 3-27 of Fig. 34 are executed by Alice, whereas in the ideal world, given that the checks of lines 10 and 5 do not lead to a bad event (and thus given that the functionality does not halt in lines 11 or 6), a (POLL) message is sent to  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$ . We will prove later that  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  does not halt here. Upon receiving (POLL),  $S_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$  simulates receiving (POLL) with Alice's ITI (Fig. 56, line 23), but does not READ from  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  and uses instead the  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  provided along with the message. A reasoning identical to that found in the previous paragraph shows that this  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  is exactly the same as that which Alice's ITI would obtain had it executed line 2 of Fig. 34 and thus the simulation of Alice's ITI is identical to what would happen in the same case in the real world, up to and including line 27 of Fig. 34.

The event E in which  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  executes line 6 of Fig. 23 and halts can only happen if there is a non-commitment transaction that contains a valid signature by the  $p_{Alice,F}$  key that is needed to spend the funding transaction of an open channel. According to  $\Pi_{LN}$ , Alice

signs with her  $s_{Alice,F}$  key only commitment transactions. Therefore  $E \subset P \Rightarrow \Pr[E|\neg P] = 0$ .

Let E' the "bad" event in which  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  executes line 11 of Fig. 23 and halts. We will now prove that, during  $\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}},\mathcal{F}_{\text{Avg-PayNet}},\mathcal{E}}$ , it is  $\Pr[E|\neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R \land \neg S] = 0$ . The condition of Fig. 23, line 10 is triggered if the delayed output (that of the malicious party) of  $\mathtt{tx}_1$  has been spent by the transaction  $\mathtt{tx}_2$  in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ (event  $E'_1$ ) and polls(Alice) contains an element in  $[h_1, h_1 + \text{delay}(Alice) - 1]$ , where  $h_1$  is the block height where  $\mathtt{tx}_1$  is (event  $E_2'$ ). Observe that  $E' = E_1' \wedge E_2'$ . We note that the elements in polls(Alice) correspond to the block heights of  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  at the moments when Alice POLLS (Fig. 23, line 3). Consider the following two events:  $E'_{1,1}$ :  $tx_2$  spends the delayed output with a signature valid by the delayed payment public key after the locktime expires.  $E'_{1,2}$ :  $tx_2$  spends the delayed output with a signature valid by the revocation public key  $p_{Alice,rev}$ . Note that  $E'_1 = E'_{1,1} \vee E'_{1,2}$  and  $E'_{1,1}, E'_{1,2}$  are mutually exclusive (since the same output cannot be spent twice). Observe that  $E'_{1,2} \subset S$ , thus  $\Pr\left[E'_{1,2}|\neg S\right] = 0$ . We now concetrate on the event  $E'_{1,1}$ . Due to the fact that  $tx_2$  spends an output locked with a relative timelock of length delay (Alice) + (2+r) windowSize, the commitment transaction  $tx_1$  can reside in a block of maximum height  $h_1 \leq h_2 - \text{delay}(Alice) - (2+r) \text{windowSize},$ where  $h_2$  is the block height where  $tx_2$  is. If Alice POLLS on a moment when  $|\Sigma_{Alice}| \geq h_1, \Sigma_{Alice}$  necessarily contains  $\mathtt{tx}_1$ . Furthermore, if Alice POLLs on a moment when  $|\Sigma_{Alice}| \leq h_1 + \text{delay}(Alice) - 1 \leq h_2 -$ (2+r) windowSize-1, she sees  $tx_1$  and directly submits the punishment transaction tx<sub>3</sub> (which she has, given that a maliciously closed channel is defined as one where the non-closing party has the punishment transaction) (Fig. 35, lines 22-24). Given that  $tx_3$  is broadcast when  $|\Sigma_{Alice}| \leq h_2 - (2+r)$  windowSize, it is guaranteed to be on-chain in a block  $h_3 \leq h_2$  (according to Proposition 1). Since  $tx_3$  spends the same funds as  $tx_2$ , the two cannot be part of the chain simultaneously. Since  $E'_{1,1} \Rightarrow \Sigma_{Alice}$ contains  $\mathsf{tx}_2$  and  $E_2' \Rightarrow \Sigma_{Alice}$  contains  $\mathsf{tx}_3$ ,  $E_{1,1}'$  and  $E_2'$  are mutually exclusive. Therefore, assuming  $\neg P \land$ Pr  $[E'_{1,1} \wedge E'_{2}] = \Pr[E'] = \Pr[(E'_{1,1} \vee E'_{1,2}) \wedge E'_{2}] = \Pr[(E'_{1,1} \wedge E'_{2}) \vee (E'_{1,2} \wedge E'_{2})] \leq \Pr[E'_{1,1} \wedge E'_{2}] + \Pr[E'_{1,2} \wedge E'_{2}] = \Pr[E'_{1,2} \wedge E'_{2}] \leq \Pr[E'_{1,2}] = 0.$  We conclude that, given  $\neg P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R \wedge \neg S$  POLL introduces no opportunity for distinghuishability.

We now treat the effects of the (STATE,  $\Sigma$ ) message that  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  sends to  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$ , appended to PAY, PUSHFULFILL, PUSHADD and COMMIT messages. We first observe that the (STATE) message is handled after handling the first message (which is of one of the four aforementioned types) (Fig. 59, line 2). It may be the case that at the end of the handling of line 2,  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$  does not have control of the execution. That can happen if a simulated ITI sends a message to a corrupted player and that player does not respond (e.g. in Fig. 36, line 6, when the first message is

(PAY,  $Bob, x, \overline{path}$ , \_\_) and Bob is corrupted), or if the handling of the message results in sending (SUBMIT) to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  (e.g. in Fig. 44, line 18 when the first message is (PUSHFULFILL, pchid) and counterparty has gone onchain). In that case, the (STATE) message is simply ignored (Fig. 59, line 3) and does not influence execution in any way.

In the case when (STATE,  $\Sigma$ ) is handled,  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{LN-Reg-Open}}$  attempts to specify who was charged for each pending payment, based on the information that the potentially paying party sees in its view of the  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}$  state (Fig. 59, lines 4-14). The resolution is then sent to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay}$  with the message (RESOLVEPAYS, charged).  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  handles this message in Fig. 17 and 20, where, if it does not halt (Fig. 19, lines 4, 7) and 15 and Fig. 20, lines 10, 13 and 17), it updates the state of each affected channel (Fig. 20, line 4) and does not send any message, thus control returns to  $\mathcal{E}$ . We will prove that, under  $\neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R \land \neg S$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$ does not halt and thus conclude that the handling of a (STATE) message does not introduce opportunity for distinguishability.

 $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  halts in line 4 of Fig. 19 if the honest player Dave was charged for a payment over a channel that was closed without using a commitment transaction. Like E, this event is a subset of P, thus cannot happen given  $\neg P$ .

 $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  halts in line 7 of Fig. 19 if the player Dave charged is an honest member of the payment path, has POLLed in time to catch a malicious closure (event A) but a malicious closure succeeded (event B).  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet,Pav}}$  halts in line 15 of Fig. 19 if Dave is not the payer, no malicious closure succeeded  $(\neg B)$  and Dave has Polled in time twice to learn the preimage of the HTLC early enough (event C) and has attempted to fulfill on chain at the right moment (event D).  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$  also halts if the two expiries do not have the expected distance (event F) – i.e. halts in the event  $(A \wedge B) \vee (\neg B \wedge (F \vee (C \wedge D)))$ .  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}}$  decides that Dave is charged if his previous counterparty did a malicious closure to a channel version without the HTLC and spent their (delayed) output (B), or if his next counterparty fulfilled (event G) and his previous counterparty timed out the HTLC (event H) (Fig. 59, line 8), – i.e. Dave is charged in the event  $B \vee (G \wedge H)$ .

We will now show that  $\Pr[A \land B | \neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R \land \neg S] = 0 \land \Pr[(C \land D) \land (G \land H) | \neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R \land \neg S] = 0 \land \Pr[F \land (G \land H) | \neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R \land \neg S] = 0,$  from which we can deduce that  $\Pr[(A \land B) \lor ((F \lor (C \land D)) \land (G \land H)) | \neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R \land \neg S] = 0$  and thus  $\Pr[((A \land B) \lor (\neg B \land (F \lor (C \land D)))) \land (B \lor (G \land H)) | \neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R \land \neg S] = 0.$  This last step holds because  $(A \land B) \lor ((F \lor (C \land D)) \land (G \land H)) = (A \land B) \lor ((F \lor (C \land D))) \land (B \lor (G \land H)) = (A \land B) \lor (\neg B \land (F \lor (C \land D)))) \land (B \lor (G \land H)) = (A \land B) \lor (\neg B \land (F \lor (C \land D))) \land G \land H)$  and the latter is a subset of the former.

The analysis of the event  $A \wedge B$  is identical to the

one we did previously for the events  $E_1', E_2'$ , with A corresponding to  $E_2'$  and B to  $E_1'$ . We thus deduce that  $\Pr[A \wedge B | \neg P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R \wedge \neg S] = 0$ .

Event F is true only if IncomingCltvExpiry – OutgoingCltvExpiry < relayDelay(Alice) + (2+r) windowSize. This cannot happen however for any honest Alice, since S will simulate line 9 of Fig. 39 with Alice's ITI before having her agree to participate as an intermediary in the multi-hop payment. Therefore  $\Pr[F \wedge (G \wedge H) | \neg P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R \wedge \neg S] = 0$ .

The only way for event C to be true is if  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (POLL) to Dave during the prescribed time period (Fig. 23, line 3) – note that the addition to  $\mathsf{polls}(Dave)$  during registration (Fig. 13, line 10) cannot be within the desired range due to the fact that  $\mathsf{OutgoingCltvExpiry}$  is not smaller than the chain height when the corresponding (INVOICE) was received (Fig. 37, line 9), registration happens necessarily before handling (INVOICE) (Fig. 13, line 24) and the element added to  $\mathsf{polls}(Dave)$  at registration is the chain height at that time (Fig. 13, line 10). When Dave receives (POLL),  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathsf{PayNet},\mathsf{Pay}}$  always sends (GETCLOSEDFUNDS) to  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathsf{LN-Reg-Open}}$  (Fig. 23, line 17) (since, as we saw earlier,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathsf{PayNet},\mathsf{Pay}}$  never halts).

Event H happens only when the previous counterparty successfully appends HTLC-timeout to  $\Sigma_{Dave}$ , which is a valid transaction only from the block of height IncomingCltvExpiry + 1 and on, or if the previous counterparty learns the preimage of the HTLC and forges a signature valid by Dave's public HTLC key, or if the previous counterparty forges a signature valid by Dave's public revocation key; the two latter scenarios can never happen. Thus, given that G happens until a moment when  $|\Sigma_{Dave}| \leq \text{IncomingCltvExpiry} -$ (2+r) windowSize, Dave has the time to successfully fulfill the HTLC. Given C, Dave has POLLED at two moments  $h_1,h_2 \in [\mathtt{OutgoingCltvExpiry},$ IncomingCltvExpiry - (2 + r)windowSize], such that  $h_2 \geq h_1 + (2+r)$  windowSize. If  $\Sigma_{Dave}$  contains the preimage at moment  $h_1$  or  $h_2$ , then Dave may try to update the previous channel off-chain if he receives a (PUSHFULFILL) for that channel (Fig. 44, lines 1-18), and if the off-chain update is never attempted (because (PUSHFULFILL) and (COMMIT) are not received) or fails (because the previous counterparty does not send (REVOKEANDACK)), then the (FULFILLONCHAIN) that he receives according to D will make him submit HTLC-success (Fig. 45, lines 1-12) and have it on-chain by block of height IncomingCltvExpiry (Proposition 1). Furthermore, in the case that the HTLC-success is not found at the (POLL) of  $h_1$ , Dave immediately submits HTLC-timeout (Fig. 35, line 9), which either ends up in  $\Sigma_{Dave}$  by block height  $h_1 + (2+r)$  windowSize (Proposition 1) or is rejected because the counterparty managed to append HTLC-success before it. In the first case, Dave is not charged for the payment. In the second case, the second (POLL) (at block height  $h_2$ ) necessarily reveals the HTLC-success to Dave and subsequently the (FULFILLONCHAIN) causes Dave to fulfill the HTLC with the previous counterparty, as argued above. Therefore in no case Dave is charged for the payment, i.e.  $\Pr[(C \wedge D) \wedge (G \wedge H) | \neg P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R \wedge \neg S] = 0$ .

We will now show that the halt of line 10 in Fig. 17 does not occur with non-negligible probability. If the check of line 8 succeeds, this means that line 19 of Fig. 56 was executed by S, therefore the payment referred to by payid failed, therefore neither Alice nor Bob saw the relevant HTLC being fulfilled; call this event T. If now the check of line 9 succeeds, this means that  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$  has received the relevant entry from S in a NEWPAYMENTS message (Fig. 13, line 14). This in turn happens in one of the following cases: line 12 of Fig. 56, line 25 of Fig. 56, line 4 of Fig. 58, and line 16 of Fig. 58. Line 12 of Fig. 56 can only be executed if the simulated Alice or Bob has successfully fulfilled on chain the relevant HTLC (Fig. 45, line 7), which however is incompatible with T. Line 25 of Fig. 56 is executed if the simulated Alice has executed line 18 of Fig. 35, which means that the relevant (offered) HTLC has been spent (i.e. fulfilled) (line 12, Fig. 35), which is incompatible with T. Line 4 of Fig. 58 is executed if the simulated Bob executes line 14 of Fig. 44, which happens only if a relevant entry exists in gotPaid (line 12, Fig. 44), which in turn can only be added in line 10 of Fig. 38. In order to reach that point of the execution however, all UPDATEADDHTLC checks must have passed, which is incompatible with T. The last possible case in which the entry is added to pendingDiffs is line 16 of Fig. 58. This is executed if line 16 of Fig. 43 is executed either in the simulated Alice or in the simulated Bob. The field updateDiffs can be populated only in line 8 of Fig. 44 for Alice or line 23 of Fig. 40 for Bob. The former case can only happen if there was a corresponding entry in gotPaid, which, as we saw before, is incompatible with T. Likewise, the latter can only happen if Alice receives an UPDATEFULFILLHTLC message for the HTLC corresponding to the payment, which can only happen if no UPDATEADDHTLC fails, which is contrary to T. Therefore the halt of Fig. 17, line 10 cannot happen.

Moving on, we have to prove that the halt of line 10 in Fig. 20 does not occur with non-negligible probability. Indeed, S only reports the payment as resolved in RE-SOLVEPAYS if a party has been irrevocably charged for it (Fig. 59, lines 6, 8, or 10). In all three cases, all channels that follow the charged party on the path have either been closed or irrevocably updated to a newer version that includes the new balance. Since  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  may only halt for a channel that has not been declared or confirmed as closed (Fig. 20, lines 1 and 9), all channels that can cause a halt are channels that have the update of this payment irrevocably committed. This only happens when both sides send a REVOKEANDACK that updates the channel from a version that contains the relevant HTLC to a version that doesn't; and when an honest party receives such a REVOKEANDACK message, it logs the new receipt in updatesToReport (Fig. 43, line 10) which causes S to report the update to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  (Fig. 58, line 12). We therefore conclude that  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  never halts on line 10 of Fig. 20.

It remains to be proven that  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  does not halt with non-negligible probability in lines 13 and 17 of Fig. 20. For the halt of line 13 to occur, the player charged must be the payer (as intended by the original PAY messsage) and honest, but its pendingDiffs must not contain a corresponding entry for that payment. This however cannot happen for the following reason. As execution is in the loop of Fig. 17, line 3, it is  $(Dave, payid) \in \text{charged}(Alice)$ . As the code of Fig. 20 is being run, either line 16 of Fig. 17 or 21 of Fig. 19 has been executed, so line 12 has not been executed in the same iteration of the loop, therefore  $Dave \neq \bot$ . Additionally, since  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  received a RESOLVEPAYS message,  $\mathcal{S}$  has executed Fig. 59 and added (Dave, payid) to charged(Alice) in exactly one of lines 7, 9, or 11. Furthermore, since *Alice* ∉ corrupted (Fig. 20, line 12), the condition of Fig. 60 does not hold and since Alice is the payer (Dave = Alice), there is no channel "before" her, therefore the condition of Fig. 61 does not hold either. Therefore the only way for charged(Alice) to contain (Alice, payid) is if the condition of Fig 62 is true. The condition holds either when Alice has received UPDATE-FULFILLHTLC on the fulfilment of the payment, followed by a REVOKEANDACK, or if her counterparty has fulfilled on-chain and she has checked the blockchain since. In the first case, the tuple (expayid, payid, \_\_) would have been added to pendingDiffs(Alice) as S would have simulated line 23 of Fig. 40 on receiving UPDATEFUL-FILLHTLC, thus adding the tuple to updateDiffs, and line 16 of Fig. 43, thus prompting S to send the tuple to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  (Fig. 58, line 16), which would subsequently add it to pendingDiffs (Fig. 16, line 14). Therefore in this case the halt is impossible. In the alternative case, since Alice must have Polled after her counterparty's HTLC-success was settled on-chain (Fig. 62, line 1) and therefore the loop of line 1 in Fig. 35 must have been executed by S while simulating Alice, as well as the loop of line 12 of the same figure and eventually line 18 in that figure, which would have prompted in turn S to send the relevant NEWPAYMENTS message to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}}$  (Fig. 56, line 25). In that case however the tuple (expayid, payid, ) would be in pendingDiffs(Alice) and the check of line 12, Fig. 20 would fail, therefore preventing the functionality from halting.

We will now prove that the halt of line 17 in Fig. 20 does not occur. This halt would take place if the payee Bob is honest but was not previously informed of the payment, i.e. the tuple  $(expayid, payid, \_)$  is not in pendingDiffs(Bob). Similarly to the argument for line 13, S added (Dave, payid) to charged(Bob) in exactly one of lines 7, 9, or 11 of Fig. 59. In the first case, there was a player on the path that fulfilled the payment. This can only happen if first Bob has fulfilled the payment and irrevocably committed to a

channel version that resolves the HTLC to his favour, therefore Bob has either sent a relevant UPDATEFUL-FILLHTLC and REVOKEANDACK or has fulfilled on-chain. As we saw previously, both these scenarios would lead to pendingDiffs(Bob) containing the (expayid, payid, \_\_) tuple. In the second and third cases (line 1, Fig. 61 and line 1, Fig. 62) once again the conditions describe situations which are possible only if Bob has already successfully fulfilled, which means that he has necessarily caused  $\mathcal S$  to send the payment to  $\mathcal F_{\text{PayNet}}$ , which has added it to pendingDiffs(Bob). We conclude that the halt of line 17, Fig. 20 cannot occur.

To conclude, given  $\neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R \land \neg S$ , it is  $\operatorname{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\operatorname{LN-Reg-Open}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\operatorname{PayNet},\operatorname{Open}},\mathcal{G}_{\operatorname{Ledger}}} = \operatorname{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\operatorname{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\operatorname{PayNet},\operatorname{Pay}},\mathcal{G}_{\operatorname{Ledger}}}$ . If we allow for forgeries again, i.e. if we allow the event  $P \lor Q \lor R \lor S$ , we observe that  $\Pr[P \lor Q \lor R \lor S] \le nm \cdot \operatorname{E-ds}(k) + 3np \cdot \operatorname{E-ibs}(k) + nmp \cdot \operatorname{E-share}(k) + \operatorname{E-prf}(k) + nm \cdot \operatorname{E-master}(k)$ , where n is the number of players, m is the maximum channels a player can open and p is the maximum number of updates a player can perform. We thus deduce that

$$\begin{split} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, & \text{ PPT } \mathcal{E}, \\ | & \text{ Pr}[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Open}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1] - \\ - & \text{ Pr}[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet},\text{Pay}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1]| \leq \\ & nm \cdot \text{E-ds}(k) + 3np \cdot \text{E-ibs}(k) + \\ & nmp \cdot \text{E-share}(k) + \text{E-prf}(k) + nm \cdot \text{E-master}(k) \end{split}$$

#### Lemma 8.

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \ PPT \ \mathcal{E},$$
 
$$|\Pr[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}},\mathcal{P}_{\text{Jedger}}} = 1] -$$
 
$$-\Pr[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1]| \leq$$
 
$$nm \cdot \text{E-ds}(k) + 3np \cdot \text{E-ibs}(k) +$$
 
$$nmp \cdot \text{E-share}(k) + \text{E-prf}(k) + nm \cdot \text{E-master}(k) \ .$$

*Proof:* Like in the previous proof, we here also assume that  $\neg P \wedge \neg Q \wedge \neg R \wedge \neg S$  holds.

When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid) to Alice, in the ideal world, if it is not the first such message to Alice for this channel, the message is ignored (Fig. 21, line 10). Similarly in the real world, if there has been another such message, Alice ignores it (Fig. 46, lines 18 and 2).

In the case that it is indeed the first force-CloseChannel message for this channel, in the ideal world  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  takes note that this close is pending (Fig. 21, lines 8-9) and stops serving more requests for this channel (line 10), before asking  $\mathcal{S}$  to carry out channel closing (Fig. 21, line 11).  $\mathcal{S}$  then simulates the response to the original message from  $\mathcal{E}$  with Alice's ITI (Fig. 63). Observe that, since  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  has ensured that this is the first request for closing this particular channel, the simulated check of line 2 in Fig. 46 always

### Simulator S

Like  $S_{\text{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}}$ . Differences:

- 1: Upon receiving (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid, Alice) from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ :
- 2: simulate Fig. 46 receiving (FORCECLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid) with Alice's ITI
- 3: **if** during the simulation above, line 11 of Fig. 46 is simulated in *Alice*'s ITI **then**
- 4: send (NEWPAYMENTS, payment, Alice) to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet,Pay}}$ , where payment consists of the tuple just added to the simulated paymentsToReport, appended with the payid of line 9 (Fig. 46, line 11)
- 5: upon receiving (CONTINUE) from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet,Pay}$ , carry on with the simulation
- 6: end if
- 7: Upon receiving (CLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid, Alice) from  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$ :
- 8: simulate the interaction between *Alice* and *Bob* in Fig. 47, starting with *Alice* receiving (CLOSECHANNEL, receipt, *pchid*) with *Alice*'s ITI. If *Bob* is honest, simulate his part as well; if not, let *A* handle his part.
- 9: every time closedChannels of Alice is updated with data from a channel (Fig. 46, line 17, Fig 47, line 26 and Fig. 35, line 26), send (CLOSEDCHANNEL, channel, Alice) to \( \mathcal{F}\_{PayNet} \) and expect (CONTINUE) from \( \mathcal{F}\_{PayNet} \) to resume simulation

Figure 63.

passes and the rest of Fig. 46 is executed. In the real world, the check also passes (since we are in the case where this is the first closing message) and Fig. 46 is executed by the real Alice in its entirety. Therefore, when  $\mathcal E$  sends forceCloseChannel, no opportunity for distinguishability arises.

In the ideal world, when the simulated  $\mathcal{A}$  attempts to cooperatively close a channel by instructing corrupted Alice to send a SHUTDOWN message to honest Bob,  $\mathcal{S}$  simply simulates the receiving of the message by Bob and subsequently carries out the rest of the simulation. In the real world, such a message by the adversarially controlled Alice would result in Bob and the rest of the ITIs following the same steps as in the simulated case, therefore the two behaviours are indistinguishable. Note that  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  handles gracefully the fact that it is not notified of the closing negotiation until it sees the closing transaction on-chain, due to the check and addition of line 2 and 3 respectively in Fig. 22.

When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (CLOSECHANNEL, receipt, pchid) to Alice, in both the ideal and the real world the request will be further processed only if the identical checks of Fig. 21, line 2 and Fig. 47, line 2 respectively pass. Further, in the ideal world, if Alice has already received a closing message for this channel (either CLOSECHAN-

NEL or FORCECLOSECHANNEL), the message is ignored (Fig. 21, lines 5 and 10). Likewise in the real world, if *Alice* has received another such message, she ignores it (Fig. 47, line 3 and Fig. 46, line 18).

In the case that this is the first closing message for this channel, in the ideal world  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  takes note that this close is pending (Fig. 21, lines 3-4) and stops rerving more CloseChannel requests for this channel (Fig. 21, line 5), before asking S to carry out the cooperative channel closing negotiation (Fig. 21, line 6).  $\mathcal{S}$  then simulates the negotiation, respecting the fact that the counterparty may be corrupted (Fig. 63, line 8 and Fig. 47). Observe that all checks of Fig. 47 (lines 2, 7, 16, 24, 25 and 29) will either succeed or fail in both the real and the ideal world in the same manner, since the same code is run in both cases (simulated in the ideal, directly in the real) and the inputs and state are, as we have seen, indistinguishable up to that point. Furthermore, for the same reason, if Bob is corrupted in the ideal world at the moment when Alice sends him Shutdown, he would also be corrupted in the real world at the corresponding moment. Therefore, when  $\mathcal{E}$  sends CloseChannel, no opportunity for distinguishability arises.

When  $\mathcal{E}$  sends (GETNEWS) to Alice, in the ideal world  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$  sends (NEWS, newChannels(Alice), closedChannels(Alice),updatesToReport(Alice),paymentsToReport(Alice)) to  $\mathcal{E}$  and empties these fields (Fig. 24, lines 12-14). In the real world, Alice sends (NEWS, newChannels, closedChannels, updatesToReport, paymentsToReport) to  ${\cal E}$ empties these fields as well (Fig. 34, lines 28-29). newChannels(Alice) in the ideal world is populated in two cases: First, when  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$  receives (CHANNELOPENED) after Alice has previously received (CHECKFORNEW) (Fig. 15, line 25). This happens when the simulated Alice ITI handles a fundingLocked message from Bob (Fig. 54, line 11). In the real world Alice would have modified her new-Channels while handling Bob's FundingLocked (Fig. 33, line 13), thus as far as this case is concerned, newChannels has the same contents in the real world as does newChannels(Alice) in the ideal. The other case when newChannels(Alice) is populated is when  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PavNet}}$  receives (FundingLocked) after Bob has previously received (CHECKFORNEW) (Fig. 15. line 17). This (FUNDINGLOCKED) can only sent by S if Alice is honest and right before the receiving of (FUNDINGLOCKED) is simulated with her ITI (Fig. 54, lines 2-7). In the real world, Alice's newChannels would be populated upon handling the same (FUNDINGLOCKED). Therefore the newChannels part of the message is identical in the real and the ideal world at every moment when  $\mathcal{E}$  can send (GETNEWS).

Moving on to closedChannels(Alice), we observe that  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  adds channel information when it receives (CLOSEDCHANNEL, channel, Alice) from  $\mathcal{S}$  (Fig. 21, line 14), which in turn happens exactly when the simulated Alice ITI adds the channel to her

closedChannels (Fig. 63, line 9). Therefore the real and ideal closedChannels are always synchronized.

Regarding updatesToReport, in the real world it is populated exclusively in line 10 of Fig. 43. In the ideal world on the other hand, it is updated in line 11 of Fig. 16, which is triggered only by a (NEWUPDATE) message by S. This message is sent only when line 10 of Fig. 43 is simulated by S (Fig. 58, line 12). In the real world, this happens only after receiving a valid (REVOKEANDACK) message from the channel counterparty and after first having sent a corresponding (COMMITMENTSIGNED) message (Fig. 43, line 2 and Fig. 42, lines 5 and 16), which happens only after receiving (COMMIT) from  $\mathcal{E}$ . In the ideal world a simulation of the same events can only happen in the exact same case, i.e. when  $\mathcal{E}$  sends an identical (COMMIT) to the same player. Indeed,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  simply forwards this message to  $\mathcal{S}$  (Fig. 24, line 6), who in turn simply simulates the response to the message with the simulated ITI that corresponds to the player that would receive the message in the real world (Fig. 58, line 10). We conclude that the updatesToReport sent to  $\mathcal{E}$  in either the real or the ideal world are always identical.

As far as paymentsToReport is concerned, in the real world it is populated in one of following cases: line 8 of Fig. 45, line 18 of Fig. 35, line 14 of Fig. 44, and line 16 of Fig. 43, line 11 of Fig. 46. All of these cases can occur in the simulation of the ideal world in the same way, which would result in  $\mathcal{S}$  informing  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  (lines 11-12 of Fig. 56, lines 24-25 of Fig. 56, lines 3-4 of Fig. 58, lines 15-16 of Fig. 58, and lines 3-4 of Fig. 63 respectively) of the exact same payments. In turn,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  would store the new payments (Fig. 16, line 14) and report them back to  $\mathcal{E}$  upon receiving GETNEWS. We therefore conclude that the paymentsToReport that are sent to  $\mathcal{E}$  are exactly the same in the ideal and the real world.

Because S now sends an additional NewPayments message (line 4, Fig. 63) which prompts  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  to populate paymentsToReport (line 14, Fig. 16), we have to revisit the halt of line 10 in Fig. 17 to ensure that it still cannot occur with non-negligible probability. Indeed, the halt happens if either a payment has been reported as successful and is found in the pendingDiffs of one of the two endpoints, but the payment is now found by  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  to have failed. This particular payment is considered as failed by  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  only if  $\mathcal{S}$  has included it in charged (line 3, Fig. 17) and the first element is  $\perp$ (line 8, Fig. 17), which can happen only in case line 19 of Fig. 56 was previously executed by S. As we saw in detail in the proof of Lemma 7 when focusing on the fact that the same halt could never occur however, in the case of line 19 of Fig. 56 none of the events that trigger S to send a report of the success of this particular payment to  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  via a NEWPAYMENTS message could have occurred, therefore the halt in question can still never happen.

Lastly, in the ideal world, whenever (READ) is

sent to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  and a reply is received, the function checkClosed (Fig. 22) is called with the reply of the  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  as argument. This function does not generate new messages, but may cause the  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  to halt. We will now prove that this never happens.

 $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  halts in line 17 of Fig. 22 in case a channel is closed without using a commitment transaction. Similarly to event E in the proof of Lemma 7, this event is a subset of P and thus is impossible to happen given that we assume  $\neg P$ .

 $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}}$  halts in line 20 of Fig. 22 in case a malicious closure by the counterparty was successful, in spite of the fact that Alice polled in time to apply the punishment. A (POLL) message to Alice within the prescribed time frame (line 19) would cause  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PayNet}}$  to alert  $\mathcal{S}$  (Fig. 23, line 17), who in turn would submit the punishment transaction in time to prevent the counterparty from spending the delayed payment (Fig. 35, lines 22-24). Therefore the only way for a malicious counterparty to spend the delayed output before Alice has the time to punish is by spending the punishment output themself. This however can never happen, since this event would be a subset of either R, if remoteCom<sub>n</sub> (i.e. the counterparty closed the channel) is in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$ , or Q, if localCom<sub>n</sub> is in  $\Sigma_{Alice}$  (i.e. Alice closed the channel).

 $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  halts in line 27 of Fig. 22 in case  $\mathcal{E}$  has asked for the channel to close, but too much time has passed since. This event cannot happen for two reasons. First, regarding elements in pendingClose(Alice), because  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  forwards a (FORCECLOSECHANNEL) message to S (Fig. 21, line 11) for every element that it adds to pendingClose (Fig 21, line 9) and this causes S to submit the commitment transaction to  $\mathcal{G}_{Ledger}$  (Fig. 46, line 19). This transaction is necessarily valid, because there is no other transaction that spends the funding transaction of the channel, according to the first check of line 26 of Fig. 22.  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  halts in this case only if it is sure that the chain has grown by (2+r) windowSize blocks, and thus if the closing transaction had been submitted when (FORCECLOSECHANNEL) was received, it should have been necessarily included (Proposition 1). Second, elements added to pendingClose(Alice) as a reaction to a (CLOSECHANNEL) message are built with an infinite waiting time (Fig. 21, line 4). Third, every element added to closedChannels (Fig. 46, line 17 and Fig. 35, line 26) corresponds to a submission of a closing transaction for the same channel (Fig. 46, line 19), or to a channel for which the closing transaction is already in the ledger state (Fig. 35, line 1). In both cases, the transaction has been submitted at least (2+r) windowSize blocks earlier, thus again by Proposition 1 it is impossible for the transaction not to be in the ledger state. Therefore  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  cannot halt in line 27 of Fig. 22. We deduce that, given  $\neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R$ , the execution of checkClosed by  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PavNet}}$  does not contribute any increase to the probability of distinguishability. Put otherwise, given  $\neg P \land \neg Q \land \neg R$ , it is  $\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = \text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}}.$ 

 $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  halts in line 31 of Fig. 22 in case all Alice's channels are closed on-chain and either Alice's off-chain balance is not equal to zero, or if her on-chain balance is not the expected one, as reported by S. This event can never happen for the following reasons. Firstly, as we have seen, S reports all updates with a (NEWUPDATE) message (Fig. 58, line 12) and a (RESOLVEPAYS) message; upon receiving the latter and given that it doesn't halt,  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$  updates offChainBalance(Alice) if she is the payer or payee of one of the resolved payments (Fig. 19, lines 17, 22 and 23). Secondly, upon closure of each channel,  $\mathcal{F}_{PavNet}$  would have halted if the closing balance were not the expected one (Fig. 22, line 19), an event that cannot happen as we have already proven. Lastly, upon each channel opening and closing,  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}}$  updates offChainBalance(Alice) and onChainBalance(Alice) to reflect the event (Fig. 15, lines 21 and 22 and Fig. 22, lines 9 or 11 respectively). Therefore, it is impossible for  $\mathcal{F}_{PayNet}$  to halt here.

Similarly to the previous proof, if we allow for forgeries again, i.e. if we allow the event  $P \vee Q \vee R \vee S$ , we observe that  $\Pr[P \vee Q \vee R \vee S] \leq nm \cdot \text{E-ds}(k) + 3np \cdot \text{E-ibs}(k) + nmp \cdot \text{E-share}(k) + \text{E-prf}(k) + nm \cdot \text{E-master}(k)$ , where n is the number of players, m is the maximum channels a player can open and p is the maximum number of updates a player can perform. We thus deduce that

$$\begin{split} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, & \text{ PPT } \mathcal{E}, \\ | \Pr[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S}_{\text{LN-Reg-Open-Pay}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}},\mathcal{F}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1] - \\ - \Pr[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PayNet}},\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}} = 1]| \leq \\ nm \cdot \text{E-ds}(k) + 3np \cdot \text{E-ibs}(k) + \\ nmp \cdot \text{E-share}(k) + \text{E-prf}(k) + nm \cdot \text{E-master}(k) \end{split} .$$

Proof of Theorem 2: The theorem is a direct result of Lemmas 4-8.  $\Box$ 

### J.1. Forgery algorithms

**Proposition 2.** Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , p a polynomial an arbitrary distribution T and the uniform distribution U over a set A of size p(k). It is

$$\Pr[T = U] = \frac{1}{p(k)}$$

$$Proof:$$

$$\Pr[T = U] = \sum_{a \in A} \Pr[T = a \land U = a] =$$

$$= \sum_{a \in A} \frac{1}{p(k)} \Pr[U = a] =$$

$$= \frac{1}{p(k)} \sum_{a \in A} \Pr[U = a] = \frac{1}{p(k)}$$

### Algorithm EUF-CMA forgery

 $\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{ds}}(\mathrm{INIT}, pk)$ :

- Choose uniformly at random Alice from the set of players  $\mathcal{P}$  of an execution  $\text{Exec}_{\Pi_{LN},\mathcal{A}_d,\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}}$
- Choose uniformly at random i from  $\{1,\ldots,m\}$
- Simulate internally  $\text{Exec}_{\Pi_{\text{LN}}, \mathcal{A}_{\text{d}}, \mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}}$  with  $\mathcal{E}_{P}$  When Alice opens her i-th channel, replace  $p_{F}$  of KeyGen() in Fig. 26, line 23 with pk
- Whenever  $SignDS(M, s_F)$  is called, ask challenger for the signature  $\sigma$  with (unknown) sk on M and use that instead
- If event P takes place and the forged signature is valid by pk, retrieve forged signature  $\sigma^*$  and the corresponding transaction  $m^*$  and output  $(m^*, \sigma^*)$
- If the simulated execution completes and Alice has opened less than i channels, or if no forgery happened, or if a forgery for another player/channel happened, return FAIL

Figure 64. wins EUF-CMA game

## **Proposition 3.** $\forall \mathcal{E}, \Pr[P] \leq nm \cdot \text{E-ds}(k)$

*Proof:* Let  $\Pr[P] = a$  for an unmodified execution.  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{ds}}$  simulates faithfully  $\mathrm{Exec}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{d}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}}}$ , since it does the following two changes. The first is to replace one  $p_F$  public key with the public key pk given by the challenger. Both keys are generated by KEYGEN(), thus their distribution is identical. The second is to replace signatures done by  $s_F$  with signatures done by the challenger with sk. Both signatures are generated with SignDS() and thus their distribution is identical. We deduce that, within the simulated execution, Pr[P] = a.

At the beginning of an execution, Alice and i are chosen uniformly at random, therefore given P, by Proposition 2 we have that

$$\Pr[A_{ds} \text{ chooses correct keypair}] = \frac{1}{nm}$$
.

Since the selection happens independently from the forgery, we deduce that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{ds} \text{ wins EUF-CMA}] = \frac{a}{nm}$$

Since the Digital Signatures scheme used during the execution is assumed to be EUF-CMA-secure, it is

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{ds} \text{ wins EUF-CMA}] \leq \operatorname{E-ds}(k) \Rightarrow$$
  
  $\Rightarrow \forall \mathcal{E}, a \leq nm \cdot \operatorname{E-ds}(k)$ .

# **Proposition 4.** $\forall \mathcal{E}, \Pr[Q] \leq 3np \cdot \text{E-ibs}(k)$

*Proof:* Let Pr[Q] = b for an unmodified execution.  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{ibs}}$  simulates faithfully  $\mathrm{ExeC}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}}}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{d}},\mathcal{E}}$ , since it does the following two changes. The first is to replace one  $ph_{j,n}$ public key with  $pk \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, ph_{\text{com},n}),$ where mpk is given by the challenger. Both mpk and the normally used  $phb_i$  are generated by KeyDer(),

#### Algorithm IBS-EUF-CMA forgery

 $\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{ibs}}(\mathrm{INIT}, mpk)$ :

- Choose uniformly at random Alice from the set of players  $\mathcal{P}$  of an execution  $\mathrm{Exec}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{d}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}}}$
- Choose uniformly at random i from  $\{1, \ldots, p\}$
- Choose uniformly at random j from {pay, dpay, htlc}
- Simulate internally  $\operatorname{Exec}_{\Pi_{\operatorname{In}}, A_{\operatorname{d}}, \mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\operatorname{ledger}}}$  with  $\mathcal{E}_Q$  When  $\mathit{Alice}$  performs her i-th opening or update, replace the  $ph_{j,n}$  output of  $KeyDer(phb_j, shb_j, ph_{com,n})$  with  $pk \leftarrow \text{PubKeyDer}(mpk, ph_{\text{com},n})$
- Whenever SignIBS $(M, sh_{j,n})$  is called, ask challenger for the signature  $\sigma$  with (unknown)  $sk \leftarrow \text{KeyDer}(mpk, msk, ph_{\text{com},n}) \text{ on } M \text{ and use}$ that instead
- If event Q takes place and the forged signature is valid by pk, retrieve forged signature  $\sigma^*$  and the corresponding transaction  $m^*$  and output  $(m^*, ph_{\text{com},n}, \sigma^*)$
- If the simulated execution completes and Alice has updated or opened a channel less than i times, or if no forgery happened, or if a forgery for another player/opening/update happened, return FAIL

Figure 65. wins IBS-EUF-CMA game

thus their distribution is identical. The second is to replace signatures done by  $sh_{j,n}$  with signatures done by the challenger with  $sk \leftarrow \text{KEYDER}(mpk, msk, ph_{i,n})$ . Both signatures are generated with Signibs () and thus their distribution is identical. We deduce that, within the simulated execution, Pr[Q] = b.

At the beginning of an execution, Alice, i and jare chosen uniformly at random, therefore given Q, by Proposition 2 we have that

$$\Pr[A_{\text{ibs}} \text{ chooses correct keypair}] = \frac{1}{3np}.$$

Since the selection happens independently from the forgery, we deduce that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{ibs}} \text{ wins IBS-EUF-CMA}] = \frac{b}{3np}$$

Since the Identity Based Signatures scheme used during the execution is assumed to be IBS-EUF-CMAsecure, it is

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{ibs} \text{ wins IBS-EUF-CMA}] \leq \text{E-ibs}(k) \Rightarrow \forall \mathcal{E}, b \leq 3np \cdot \text{E-ibs}(k)$$
.

**Proposition 5.**  $\forall \mathcal{E}, \Pr[R] \leq nmp \cdot \text{E-share}(k) + \text{E-prf}(k)$ 

*Proof:* First we observe that the halting of the simulation on an additional update does not interfere with the probability of the desired forgery taking place because such a forgery can only occur if Alice has broadcast localCom, which prevents her from further

### Algorithm share-EUF forgery

### $\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{share}}(\mathrm{INIT})$ :

- Choose uniformly at random Alice from the set of players  $\mathcal{P}$  of an execution  $\text{Exec}_{\Pi_{LN},\mathcal{A}_d,\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\text{Ledger}}}$
- Choose uniformly at random i from  $\{1, \ldots, m\}$

- Choose uniformly at random j from  $\{1,\ldots,p\}$  Simulate internally  $\mathrm{Exec}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{d}},\mathcal{E}}^{g_{\mathrm{tedger}}}$  with  $\mathcal{E}_{R}$  When  $\mathit{Alice}$  opens a channel for the i-th time, save  $(phb_{rev}, shb_{rev})$  (generated from MasterKeyGen() in Fig. 26, line 28) as (mpk, msk) and send (mpk, 1)to challenger, to receive key pk
- The j-th time Alice calls KeyShareGen() to produce a per commitment pair  $(ph_{\text{com},j}, sh_{\text{com},j})$  for the chosen channel (either during opening or during an update), replace its output with the next unused
- If Alice attempts to update the chosen channel once more and has to send  $sh_{\text{com},j}$  to the counterparty, stop simulation and return FAIL
- If event R takes place and the forged signature is valid by pk, retrieve forged signature  $\sigma^*$  and the corresponding transaction  $m^*$  and output  $(m^*, \sigma^*)$
- If the simulated execution completes and Alice has opened less than i channels, or if no forgery happened, or if a forgery for another player/channel happened, return FAIL

Figure 66. wins share-EUF game

updating the channel. Therefore such halts happen only after an event that extinguishes the hope for a successful forgery.

Let Pr[R] = c for the unmodified execution. While doing the simulation of  $\mathrm{Exec}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{d}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}}}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{share}}$  does the following change to the execution. It replaces a single  $ph_{\text{com},i}$  public key with the public key pk which is given by the challenger. pk is generated by KeyShareGen() with fresh randomness, whereas in an unmodified execution  $ph_{\text{com},j}$  is generated by KeyShareGen(), using as its randomness prand  $\leftarrow PRF(seed, j)$ . Given though that prand is not used anywhere else and the fact that the computational distance of an output of a PRF from true randomness is at most E-prf(k), we deduce that the computational distance of an unmodified and the modified executions are at most E-prf(k), therefore for the modified execution it is  $Pr[R] \in [c - E\text{-prf}(k), c +$ E-prf(k)].

At the beginning of an execution, Alice, i and jare chosen uniformly at random, therefore given R, by Proposition 2 we have that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{\text{share}} \text{ chooses correct keypair}] = \frac{1}{nmp}$$
.

Since the selection happens independently from the forgery, we deduce that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{share}} \text{ wins share-EUF}] \in \left[\frac{c - \operatorname{E-prf}(k)}{nmp}, \frac{c + \operatorname{E-prf}(k)}{nmp}\right]$$

Since the Combined Signatures scheme used is assumed to be share-EUF-secure, it is

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{share}} \text{ wins share-EUF}] \leq \text{E-share}(k) \Rightarrow \\ \forall \mathcal{E}, c \leq nmp \cdot \text{E-share}(k) + \text{E-prf}(k) \ .$$

### Algorithm master-EUF-CMA forgery

 $\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{master}}(\mathrm{INIT}, mpk)$ :

that instead

- Choose uniformly at random Alice from the set of players  $\mathcal{P}$  of an execution  $\mathrm{ExeC}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{d}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}}}$
- Choose uniformly at random i from  $\{1, \ldots, m\}$
- Simulate internally  $\mathrm{Exec}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{d}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\mathrm{Ledger}}}$  with  $\mathcal{E}_{S}$  When  $\mathit{Alice}$  opens a channel for the i-th time, replace phb<sub>rev</sub> (generated from MasterKeyGen() in Fig. 26, line 28) with mpk
- Ignore calls to CombineKey() that need the missing msk and assume that the resulting combined secret key is known (to satisfy line 21 of Fig. 35 if needed).
- Whenever  $SIGNCS(M, sh_{rev,n})$  is called within this channel, ask challenger for the signature  $\sigma$  with signing key  $csk \leftarrow \text{CombineKey}(mpk, msk, pt_{\text{com},n}, st_{\text{com},n})$  on M by sending them  $(pt_{\text{com},n}, st_{\text{com},n}, M)$  and use
- If event S takes place and the forged signature is valid by  $cpk \leftarrow CombinePubKey(mpk, pt_{com,n})$  for some  $pt_{com,n}$  of the channel, retrieve forged signature  $\sigma^*$  and the corresponding transaction  $m^*$  and output  $(m^*, \sigma^*)$
- If the simulated execution completes and Alice has opened less than i channels, or if no forgery happened, or if a forgery for another player/channel happened, return FAIL

Figure 67. wins master-EUF-CMA game

**Proposition 6.**  $\forall \mathcal{E}, \Pr[S] < nm \cdot \text{E-master}(k)$ 

*Proof:* Let Pr[S] = d hold for the unmodified execution. When it is simulating  $\operatorname{Exec}_{\Pi_{\operatorname{LN}},\mathcal{A}_{\operatorname{d}},\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{G}_{\operatorname{Ledger}}}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_{\operatorname{share}}$  does the following two changes to the execution. Firstly, it replaces a single  $phb_{rev}$  public master key with mpk which is given by the challenger. Both mpkand phb<sub>rev</sub> are generated by KeyShareGen() with fresh randomness, thus their distribution is identical. Secondly, it replaces signatures done by the secret key  $sh_{\text{rev},n} \leftarrow \text{CombineKey}(phb_{\text{rev}}, shb_{\text{rev}}, pt_{\text{com}n}, st_{\text{com},n})$ created by with signatures the challenger with the secret key resulting from executing Combine  $Key(mpk, msk, pt_{comn}, st_{com.n}),$ thus distribution of the two signatures is identical. We deduce that for the modified execution it is Pr[S] = d.

At the beginning of an execution, Aliceand i are chosen uniformly at random, therefore given S, by Proposition 2 we have that

$$\Pr[A_{\text{share chooses correct keypair}}] = \frac{1}{nm}$$
.

Since the selection happens independently from the forgery, we deduce that

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{\text{master}} \text{ wins master-EUF-CMA}] \ge \frac{d}{nm}$$

Since the Combined Signatures scheme used during the execution is assumed to be master-EUF-CMA-secure, it is

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\Pr[\mathcal{A}_{master} \text{ wins master-EUF-CMA}] \leq \text{E-master}(k) \Rightarrow
                       \forall \mathcal{E}, d \leq nm \cdot \text{E-master}(k).
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# Appendix K. Perfect Ledger Unrealisability Proof

Proof of Theorem 3: We first define the offending environment and adversary and subsequently show how they can distinguish the ideal from the real world.

### Environment $\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{PL}}$

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Spawn two players, Alice and Bob. Flip a coin. If it
returns 0, execute writeWithPlayer, otherwise execute
writeWithAdversary.
 1: procedure writeWithPlayer
 2:
        First activation:
           choose random number m \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^k
 3:
           assign at random names Alice, Bob to two
 4:
    players
 5:
           send (SUBMIT, m) to Alice
        Second activation:
 6:
           send (READ) to Bob
 7:
           if Bob does not give subroutine output then
 8:
 9:
               return 0 // real world
10:
           else if Bob's subroutine output \mathcal{L} contains m
    then
11:
               return 1 // players communicated
12:
           else if \mathcal{L} does not contain m then
13:
               return 0 // players did not communicate
14:
           end if
15: end procedure
16: procedure writeWithAdversary
17:
       First activation:
           choose random number m \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^k
18:
           assign at random names Alice, Bob to two
19:
    players
           send (Leak, m, Alice) to \mathcal{A} // in real world \mathcal{A}
20:
    will multicast to Alice
21:
        Second activation:
           send (READ) to Bob
22:
23:
        Third activation:
24:
           if Bob does not give subroutine output then
25:
               return 0 // real world
26:
           else if Bob's subroutine output \mathcal{L}_{Bob} contains
    m then
27:
               return 1 // ideal world
28:
           end if
           send (READ) to Alice
29:
30:
           if Alice does not give subroutine output then
31:
               return 0 // real world
           else if Alice's subroutine output \mathcal{L}_{Alice}
    contains m then
33:
               return 0 // real world
           else if \mathcal{L}_{Alice} does not contain m then
34:
               return 1 // ideal world or real Alice
35:
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Figure 68.

### Adversary $A_{PL}$

misbehaving

end if 37: end procedure

36:

Upon receiving (LEAK, m, Alice) from  $\mathcal{E}_{PL}$ , simulate  $\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}$  reacting to (SUBMIT, m). If it attempts to send a message (MULTICAST, m') to  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}}^1$ , send (MULTICAST, (m', Alice)) to  $\mathcal{F}^1_{N-MC}$ .

Figure 69.

Since we quantify over all possible S and  $\Pi_{PerfectL}$ , we have to refer to the probabilities of them taking specific actions of interest:

$$\begin{split} p_{\text{submits}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}} &= \Pr[\text{Upon receiving (submit, } m) \text{ from } \mathcal{E}, \\ \Pi_{\text{PerfectL}} \text{ sends (multicast, } f(m)) \text{ to} \\ \mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}}^1 \text{ for some function } f] \\ p_{\text{fetches}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}} &= \Pr[\text{Upon receiving (READ) from } \mathcal{E}, \\ \Pi_{\text{PerfectL}} \text{ sends (FETCH) to } \mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}}^1 \text{ for data } m' \\ \text{ and sends back to } \mathcal{E} \text{ a (READ, } \mathcal{L}) \text{ such that} \\ \text{if there is a unique element } m \text{ in } \mathcal{L}, \text{ it is } f(m) = m'] \end{split}$$

We first analyze the event in which the initial coin flip of  $\mathcal{E}$  results in 0,  $\mathrm{Coin}_0$ . In the ideal world, the submitted message m always ends up in the ledger right away and therefore when  $\mathcal{E}$  has Bob READ, it always sees m in the answer, therefore (Fig. 68, line 11)

$$\Pr[\mathrm{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PerfectL}},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{Clock}}} = 1 | \mathrm{Coin}_0] = 1 \ .$$

In the real world, in order for the submitted message m to be in Bob's response to READ, he must have fetched from  $\mathcal{F}^1_{\text{N-MC}}$  and considered this data as a new ledger entry, and Alice must have sent some function of m to  $\mathcal{F}^1_{\text{N-MC}}$  when she received (SUBMIT, m), except if he could guess m, which can happen with negligible probability, therefore

$$\begin{split} \Pr[\text{Exec}_{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}},\mathcal{A}_{\text{PL}},\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\text{Clock}}} = 1|\text{Coin}_0] < \\ < p_{\text{submits}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}} p_{\text{fetches}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}} + \text{negl}(k) \enspace . \end{split}$$

We now move on to the event in which the initial coin flip results in 1,  $Coin_1$ . In the ideal world, if  $\mathcal{S}$  SUBMITS the received m to the ledger then  $\mathcal{E}$ 's READ request to Bob will be answered with an output that contains m and  $\mathcal{E}$  will output 1 (Fig. 68, line 27). If on the other hand  $\mathcal{S}$  does not SUBMIT it, then neither Bob's nor Alice's answer will contain m, so  $\mathcal{E}$ 's output will also be 1 (Fig. 68, line 35).

$$\Pr[\text{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{PerfectL}},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\text{Clock}}} = 1 | \text{Coin}_1] = 1 \ .$$

Lastly, in the real world, Bob's buffer in  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}}^1$  does not contain any information, so he may return a ledger containing m only with negligible probability. In case he returns a ledger without m, Alice will respond to  $\mathcal{E}$ 's READ query with a ledger containing m exactly in the case that the event that defines  $p_{\text{fetches}}^{\text{Il}_{\text{PerfectL}}}$  is true, therefore

$$\begin{split} \Pr[\mathrm{Exec}_{\Pi_{\mathrm{PerfectL}},\mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{PL}},\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{N-MC}}^{1},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{CLOCK}}} &= 1|\mathrm{Coin}_{1}] < \\ &< (1 - p_{\mathrm{fetches}}^{\Pi_{\mathrm{PerfectL}}}) + \mathrm{negl}(k) \end{split} .$$

Note that  $\Pi_{PerfectL}$  cannot leverage knowledge of its own pid in order to have *Alice* behave differently from *Bob* in a manner that tricks  $\mathcal{E}_{PL}$  into believing that it interacts with the ideal world (i.e. make *Alice* also not return a ledger that contains m) because the roles of *Alice* 

and Bob are assigned and the coin is flipped secretly at random by  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}$ .

In aggregate,

$$\begin{split} \Pr[\text{Exec}_{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}},\mathcal{A}_{\text{PL}},\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}}^{1},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\text{Clock}}} = 1] = \\ \frac{1}{2} (\Pr[\text{Exec}_{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}},\mathcal{A}_{\text{PL}},\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}}^{1},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\text{Clock}}} = 1|\text{Coin}_{0}] + \\ + \Pr[\text{Exec}_{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}},\mathcal{A}_{\text{PL}},\mathcal{E}_{\text{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\text{N-MC}}^{1},\mathcal{E}_{\text{Clock}}} = 1|\text{Coin}_{1}]) < \\ \frac{1}{2} (p_{\text{submits}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}} p_{\text{fetches}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}} + 1 - p_{\text{fetches}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}}) + \text{negl}(k) = \\ \frac{1}{2} + p_{\text{fetches}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}} \frac{p_{\text{submits}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}} - 1}{2} + \text{negl}(k) \;\;, \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} \Pr[\mathrm{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PerfectL}},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{CLOCK}}} = 1] = \\ \frac{1}{2}(\Pr[\mathrm{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PerfectL}},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{CLOCK}}} = 1|\mathrm{Coin}_{0}] + \\ + \Pr[\mathrm{Exec}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{PL}}}^{\mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{PerfectL}},\bar{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{CLOCK}}} = 1|\mathrm{Coin}_{1}]) = 1 \ . \end{split}$$

For these two probabilities to be equal (which is necessary and sufficient for indistinguishability to hold), it would have to be  $p_{\text{fetches}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}}(p_{\text{submits}}^{\Pi_{\text{PerfectL}}}-1)=1$ . One can verify that there is no assignment to the two probabilities that satisfies this equation and maintains both values within [0,1]. Therefore, the real and the ideal world are distinguishable.

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