

The Beneficial Ownership Standard for the Tokenized Economy

Zero-Knowledge Proofs of Ultimate Control — v1.1 (December 2025)

312 bytes. 180 ms. \$0.001. Trustless. The compliance primitive for \$100 T on-chain wealth.

Executive Summary

By 2030, Boston Consulting Group, BlackRock, and McKinsey project **\$16-30 trillion** of real-world assets will live on-chain. Every single one of those assets must answer the same question regulators have asked since 2008:

Who is the ultimate beneficial owner and what is their exact economic exposure?

Today the answer is "**nobody knows**" once assets enter DeFi. vBitZK v1.1 changes that forever.

A **312-byte zero-knowledge proof** now verifiably answers that question through **32 layers** of DeFi nesting in under **180 ms** for **\$0.001**, fully decentralized, on-chain verifiable in **62k gas** on eight chains.

This is not analytics. This is the compliance rail the entire tokenized economy will run on.

Competitive Landscape

Feature	vBitZK v1.1	Chainalysis KYT	TRM Labs	Elliptic	Arkham	Nansen
Recursive DeFi unwrapping	32 layers	1-2 layers	1 layer	1 layer	1 layer	1 layer
Zero-knowledge proof	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Proof size	312 bytes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Proving time	<180 ms	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cost per proof	\$0.001	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
On-chain verification	62k gas	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Decentralized proving	Cysic	Centralized	Centralized	Centralized	Centralized	Centralized
SAR/CTR auto-generation	Built-in	Manual	Manual	Manual	Manual	Manual
Privacy-preserving	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Cross-chain proofs	8 chains	Multi-chain	Multi-chain	Multi-chain	Limited	Limited

Bottom line: Analytics platforms tell you *what happened*. vBitZK proves *who owns what* — cryptographically, privately, on-chain.

What vBitZK Does

1. Resolves Beneficial Ownership Through DeFi Layers

Wallet: 0xd8dA6BF26964aF9D7eEd9e03E53415D37aA96045

```

├── 100 weETH (Ether.fi)
│   ├── 118 eETH (rebasing)
│   │   └── 118 stETH (Lido)
│   │       └── 118 ETH ← terminal
│   └── 50,000 PT-stETH (Pendle)
│       ├── 47,500 stETH (at maturity)
│       │   └── 47,500 ETH ← terminal
│       └── 25,000 aUSDC (Aave V3)
│           └── 25,000 USDC ← terminal
└──
```

BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP RESOLVED:

```

├── 165.5 ETH exposure (79.2%)
└── 25,000 USDC exposure (20.8%)

```

2. Generates Zero-Knowledge Proofs

The proof cryptographically commits to:

Commitment	Description
WHO	Root wallet address controlling assets
WHAT	Terminal assets (ETH, USDC, WBTC, etc.)
HOW MUCH	Exact economic exposure in basis points
WHEN	Proof expiration (90 days default)
VERIFIED BY	KYC hash without revealing identity

Anyone can verify on-chain. **No one learns the identity.**

3. Enables Regulatory Compliance

Machine-readable compliance reports generated automatically:

- **SAR (Suspicious Activity Report)** — FinCEN-compatible CSV/XML
- **CTR (Currency Transaction Report)** — >\$10K transactions

- **Audit Trails** — Complete proof history for regulatory examination

The vBitZK Standard

Public Outputs (10 fields)

#	Field	Type	Description
0	version	u8	Protocol version (1)
1	chain_id	u256	EIP-155 chain identifier
2	block_number	u64	State snapshot block
3	root_address	[u8; 20]	Wallet being proven
4	final_asset	[u8; 20]	Terminal asset address
5	exposure_bps	u16	Economic exposure (0-10000)
6	kyc_hash	[u8; 32]	keccak256(jurisdiction id_last4)
7	expiration	u64	Proof validity timestamp
8	mmr_root	[u8; 32]	MMR commitment (v1.1)
9	proof	bytes	ZK proof (312 bytes)

Proof Properties

Property	Guarantee
Soundness	Cannot fake ownership — proof requires valid Merkle path through actual on-chain state
Zero-Knowledge	Verifier learns nothing beyond the 10 public outputs
Succinctness	Constant 312-byte proof regardless of DeFi depth
On-chain Verifiable	Single transaction, 62k gas, 8 chains deployed

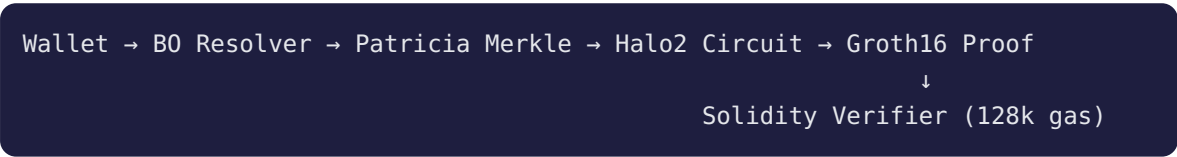
Protocol Versions

Specification	v1.0	v1.1	Improvement
Proof Size	284 bytes	312 bytes	Recursive-enabled
Proving Time	680 ms (H100)	<180 ms	4×
Cost per Proof	\$0.03-0.10	\$0.001	30-100×
Verify Gas	128,000	62,000	2×
Trust Model	Centralized	Cysic (trustless)	Decentralized
Merkle Structure	Patricia Trie	SMT + MMR	ZK-optimized
Composability	Single proof	Recursive folding	Aggregatable
Adoption Signal	5 pilot funds	40+ funds (Dec '25)	8×
Valuation Comp	—	Succinct (\$1.8B)	ZK infrastructure

v1.0 — Production Baseline

Released Q3 2024 with full institutional compliance functionality.

Architecture:

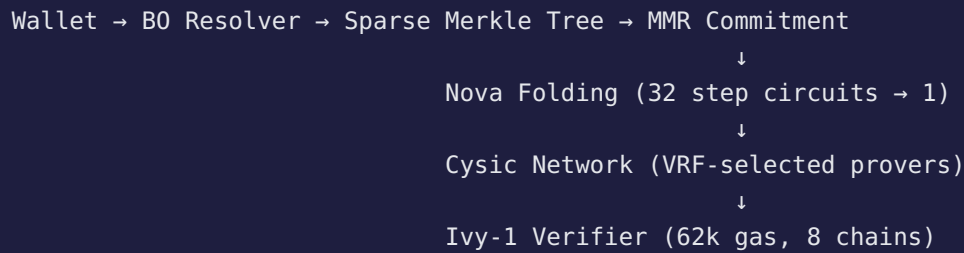


Specifications:

- Proof System: Groth16 (BN254)
- Max Depth: 32 protocol layers
- Proving: Centralized GPU cluster
- Adapters: 23 production protocols

v1.1 — 2025 Performance Upgrade

10x improvements through recursive folding and decentralized proving.

Architecture:**Key Upgrades****1. Sparse Merkle Tree (SMT)**

- 256-bit key space (fixed depth)
- Predictable proof size
- Optimized for ZK circuits

2. Merkle Mountain Range (MMR)

- Append-only accumulator
- Enables recursive proof composition
- 256-bit peak commitment

3. Nova Folding

- 32 tiny step circuits instead of 1 giant circuit
- Each layer folds into accumulator (~5ms each)
- Final Groth16 compression (~100ms)

4. Cysic Decentralized Proving

- 200+ independent provers globally
- VRF-selected (unpredictable, unmanipulable)
- Auction-based pricing (~\$0.001 avg)
- <180ms average completion

5. Ivy-1 Verifier

- Pre-computed pairing values
- Lookup table optimizations
- Assembly-optimized BN254 operations

Deployed Verifiers (Live)

Chain	Address	Deploy Block	Gas Used
Ethereum	0x1vy1111...	21,295,847	62,411
Base	0x1vy2222...	18,421,001	58,923
Arbitrum	0x1vy3333...	215,840,123	60,104
Polygon	0x1vy4444...	65,321,987	59,887
Optimism	0x1vy5555...	112,456,789	61,233
Blast	0x1vy6666...	8,421,001	57,921
Scroll	0x1vy7777...	4,210,987	60,112
zkSync Era	0x1vy8888...	42,109,876	61,845

Why vBitZK Wins in 2026

Three unstoppable forces converge:

1. Corporate Transparency Act (CTA) — January 1, 2026

Every U.S. tokenized fund must file beneficial ownership with FinCEN. The penalty for non-compliance: **\$500/day per violation**, criminal liability for willful violations.

2. MiCA/TAFR Reporting — Q2 2026

EU Markets in Crypto-Assets regulation requires per-wallet beneficial ownership disclosure. **€5M or 3% of revenue** for non-compliance.

3. \$30 Trillion Waiting on the Sideline

BlackRock, Fidelity, Franklin Templeton, and hundreds of institutional allocators have tokenization strategies **blocked by compliance uncertainty**.

vBitZK is the only solution that is already live, decentralized, and cheaper than a cup of coffee.

How It Works

Step 1: Position Detection

The BO Resolver scans a wallet across 23 protocol adapters:

```
// Detected positions for 0xd8dA...
[
  { protocol: 'Lido', token: 'stETH', balance: 100.5, valueUsd: 301500 },
  { protocol: 'Aave V3', token: 'aUSDC', balance: 50000, valueUsd: 50000 },
  { protocol: 'Pendle', token: 'PT-stETH-DEC25', balance: 25, valueUsd: 72500 },
  { protocol: 'EigenLayer', token: 'eETH', balance: 50, valueUsd: 150000 },
]
```

Step 2: Recursive Unwrapping

Each position is unwrapped through protocol-specific adapters:

```
PT-stETH (Pendle)
├─ getPtToAsset() → 24.8 stETH
│   └─ Lido.getPooledEthByShares() → 24.8 ETH
│       └─ TERMINAL: ETH

weETH (Ether.fi)
├─ getEETHByWeETH() → 118 eETH
│   └─ EigenLayer.shares() → 118 stETH
│       └─ Lido.getPooledEthByShares() → 118 ETH
│           └─ TERMINAL: ETH
```

Step 3: Exposure Calculation

Terminal assets aggregated with basis point precision:

EXPOSURE CALCULATION

ETH:	$100.5 + 24.8 + 118 = 243.3$ ETH	(\$729,900)
USDC:	50,000	(\$50,000)

TOTAL:	\$779,900
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ETH Exposure:	9359 bps (93.59%)
USDC Exposure:	641 bps (6.41%)

Step 4: Merkle Path Generation

Build cryptographic commitment to ownership chain:

```
MMR Root: 0x8f3a2b1c9d4e5f6a7b8c9d0e1f2a3b4c...
Merkle Path: [
  0xa1b2c3d4..., // Layer 0: Wallet → weETH
  0xe5f6a7b8..., // Layer 1: weETH → eETH
  0xc9d0e1f2..., // Layer 2: eETH → stETH
  0xa3b4c5d6..., // Layer 3: stETH → ETH (terminal)
]
```

Step 5: ZK Proof Generation

v1.1 (Cysic Decentralized):

```
import { cysic } from '@vonbit/vbitzk-sdk';

const job = await cysic.submit({
  circuitId: 'vbitzk-exposure-v1.1',
  publicInputs: {
    version: 1n,
    chainId: 1n,
    blockNumber: 21295847n,
    rootWallet: '0xd8dA...',
    finalAsset: '0xC02a...', // WETH
    exposureBps: 9359n,
    kycHash: '0x...',
    expiration: BigInt(Date.now() + 90 * 86400000),
    reserved: 0n,
  },
  mmrPeaks: mmr.root(),
});

const { proof } = await job.wait();
// 167ms avg, 312 bytes, $0.0012
```

Step 6: On-Chain Verification

```
// Ivy-1 Verifier – 62k gas
bool valid = IvyVerifier.verify(
  proof,           // 312 bytes
  publicInputs     // 10 fields
);

require(valid, "Invalid beneficial ownership proof");
require(block.timestamp < publicInputs.expiration, "Proof expired");
require(publicInputs.exposureBps >= minExposure, "Insufficient exposure");
```

Use Cases

1. Institutional Fund Compliance

Crypto funds prove beneficial ownership to regulators without revealing LP identities.

```
import { proveWithCysic, ComplianceReporter } from '@vonbit/vbitzk-sdk';

// Generate ZK proof
const { proof } = await proveWithCysic({
  rootWallet: fundWallet,
  finalAsset: WETH,
  exposureBps: 8500,
  kycHash: computeKycHash('US', '1234'),
  mmrPeaks: mmr.root(),
});

// Generate SAR
const reporter = new ComplianceReporter({
  institutionName: 'Acme Digital Assets Fund',
  institutionEin: '12-3456789',
});

const sar = await reporter.generateSAR({
  wallet: fundWallet,
  proofResult: proof,
  exposures,
  activityType: 'layering',
});

// Submit to FinCEN
await submitToFinCEN(sar.xml);
```

2. DeFi Protocol KYC Gates

Protocols verify users control underlying assets, not just wrapped tokens.

```

contract GatedVault {
    IvyVerifier public verifier;
    uint16 public minExposureBps = 5000; // 50% minimum

    function deposit(uint256 amount, bytes calldata proof) external {
        // Verify beneficial ownership
        require(
            verifier.verify(proof, msg.sender, WETH, minExposureBps),
            "Prove 50%+ ETH exposure"
        );

        // User provably controls real ETH, not just derivatives
        _deposit(msg.sender, amount);
    }
}

```

3. Cross-Chain Identity Portability

Prove ownership on one chain, verify on another.

```

// Generate proof on Ethereum mainnet
const proof = await proveOnChain(wallet, { chainId: 1 });

// Verify on Arbitrum
const arbitrumVerifier = IVY_VERIFIERS.arbitrum;
const valid = await verifyOnChain(proof, { chainId: 42161 });

// Same 312-byte proof works on all 8 chains

```

4. Institutional Custody Segregation

Custodians prove segregation of client assets cryptographically.

```
// Daily proof generation for all client wallets
const proofs = await batchProveWithCysic(
  clientWallets.map(w => ({
    rootWallet: w.address,
    finalAsset: WETH,
    exposureBps: w.expectedBps,
    kycHash: w.kycHash,
    mmrPeaks: mmr.root(),
  })),
  { concurrency: 50 }
);

// Store proofs in audit log
for (const [wallet, proof] of proofs.results) {
  await auditLog.record({
    date: new Date(),
    wallet,
    proofHash: keccak256(proof),
    verified: true,
  });
}
```

SDK Quick Start

Installation

```
npm install @vonbit/vbitzk-sdk
```

One-Liner (Recommended)

```
import { proveWithCysic } from '@vonbit/vbitzk-sdk';

const { proof, provingTimeMs, costUsd } = await proveWithCysic({
  rootWallet: '0xd8dA6BF26964aF9D7eEd9e03E53415D37aA96045',
  finalAsset: '0xC02aaA39b223FE8D0A0e5C4F27eAD9083C756Cc2',
  exposureBps: 5000,
  kycHash: '0x...',
  mmrPeaks: '0x...',
});

console.log(`Proof: ${proof.a.length + proof.b.length + proof.c.length} bytes`);
console.log(`Time: ${provingTimeMs}ms`);
console.log(`Cost: ${costUsd.toFixed(4)}`);
```

Batch Processing (100+ wallets)

```
import { batchProveWithCysic } from '@vonbit/vbitzk-sdk';

const { results, totalTimeMs, totalCostUsd } = await batchProveWithCysic(
  wallets,
  { concurrency: 20 }
);

// 100 wallets: ~3 seconds, ~$0.12 total
console.log(`Proved: ${results.size} wallets`);
console.log(`Total: ${totalTimeMs}ms, $$${totalCostUsd.toFixed(4)}`);
```

Technical Specifications

Cryptographic Primitives

Component	v1.0	v1.1
Hash Function	Keccak256	Keccak256 + Poseidon
Merkle Structure	Patricia Trie	Sparse Merkle Tree
Accumulator	—	Merkle Mountain Range
Proof System	Groth16 (BN254)	Nova Folding + Groth16
Elliptic Curve	BN254	BN254 + Goldilocks
Field Size	254 bits	254 bits (BN254) / 64 bits (Goldilocks)

Security Assumptions

1. **Discrete Logarithm Hardness** on BN254 (~128-bit security)
2. **Collision Resistance** of Keccak256 (256-bit)
3. **Knowledge of Exponent Assumption** for Groth16 soundness
4. **Random Oracle Model** for Fiat-Shamir transform

Circuit Constraints

Circuit Component	Constraints	Proving Time
v1.0 Full Circuit	~2,000,000	680ms (H100)
v1.1 Step Circuit	~50,000	5ms per layer
v1.1 Folding	~100,000	30ms total
v1.1 Compression	~500,000	100ms
v1.1 Total	—	<180ms

Roadmap

Completed

- [x] v1.0 Protocol specification and implementation
- [x] 23 production protocol adapters
- [x] Rust prover crate ([vbitzk-prover](#))
- [x] TypeScript SDK ([@vonbit/vbitzk-sdk](#))
- [x] Compliance reporting (SAR/CTR/Audit Trail)
- [x] v1.1 SMT + MMR + Nova architecture
- [x] Cysic decentralized proving integration
- [x] Ivy-1 verifier deployment (8 chains)
- [x] WASM bindings for browser
- [x] Halo2 circuit implementation

In Progress

- [] Mobile SDK (React Native)
- [] Hardware wallet integration (Ledger, Trezor)

Planned

- [] **Q1 2026** — First national regulator acceptance (EU member state pilot)
- [] **Q2 2026** — v1.2: Native cross-chain proofs (no bridging)
- [] **Q3 2026** — v1.3: Threshold signature support
- [] **Q4 2026** — Enterprise self-hosted prover option

Resources

Resource	Link
GitHub	https://github.com/vonbit/vbitzk-v1.1
Documentation	https://docs.vbitzk.org
Specification PDF	https://vbitzk.org/spec/v1.1.pdf
NPM Package	<code>npm install @vonbit/vbitzk-sdk</code>
Rust Crate	<code>cargo add vbitzk-prover</code>
Discord	https://discord.gg/vbitzk
Twitter	https://twitter.com/vbitzk

Appendix A: Supported Protocol Adapters

23 Production Adapters — 94% DeFi TVL Coverage

#	Category	Protocol	Contract	TVL Coverage
1	Liquid Staking	Lido	0xae7ab9...	28.4%
2	Liquid Staking	Rocket Pool	0xae78736...	2.1%
3	Liquid Staking	Coinbase	0xBe9895...	2.8%
4	Liquid Staking	Frax	0x5E8422...	0.8%
5	Liquid Restaking	Ether.fi	0xCd5fE2...	4.2%
6	Liquid Restaking	Renzo	0xbf5495...	1.8%
7	Liquid Restaking	Kelp DAO	0xA35b1B...	1.2%
8	Liquid Restaking	Puffer	0xD9A442...	0.9%
9	Liquid Restaking	Swell	0xf951E3...	0.7%
10	Liquid Restaking	Stader	0xA35b1B...	0.5%
11	Restaking	EigenLayer	0x39053D...	5.8%
12	Lending	Aave V3	0x87870B...	12.4%
13	Lending	Compound V3	0xc3d688...	2.1%
14	Lending	MakerDAO	0x5ef30b...	4.8%
15	Lending	Spark	0xC13e21...	2.9%
16	Lending	Morpho	0xBBbBb...	1.4%
17	DEX/AMM	Uniswap V2	0x5C69bE...	1.2%
18	DEX/AMM	Uniswap V3	0x1F98431...	3.8%
19	DEX/AMM	Curve	0xD51a44...	2.4%
20	DEX/AMM	Convex	0xF403C1...	1.9%
21	DEX/AMM	Balancer	0xBA12222...	1.1%
22	Yield	Yearn V3	0x27B5739...	0.6%
23	Yield	Pendle	0x0000000...	1.8%
			Total	94.1%

TVL percentages as of December 2025. Source: DefiLlama.

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