

# Ranged Polynomial Protocols

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# Outline

- ▶ A few slides of motivation and context
- ▶ Polynomial Protocols - defs, results + open question.

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But need to solve "chicken and egg problem":  
Prover must commit to polynomials before knowing the challenge point.

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KZG give us PCS with commitments and openings are practically 32 bytes.

Notation:  $[\mathbf{x}] = \mathbf{g}^{\mathbf{x}}$  where  $\mathbf{g}$  generator of elliptic curve group.

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$$\text{verify}(\text{cm}, \boldsymbol{\pi}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{i}) :$$

$$\mathbf{e}(\text{cm} - [\mathbf{z}], [1]) \stackrel{?}{=} \mathbf{e}(\boldsymbol{\pi}, [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{i}])$$

# Idealized Polynomials Protocols

**Preprocessing/inputs:**  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  agree in advance on  $\mathbf{g}_1, \dots, \mathbf{g}_t \in \mathbb{F}_{<d}[\mathbf{X}]$ .

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**proof sketch:** Use [KZG] polynomial commitment scheme.  $\mathcal{P}$  commits to all polys.  $\mathcal{V}$  checks identity at random challenge point.

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$$\mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{X}) := \prod_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{H}} (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{a}).$$

( $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{H}}$  will be a preprocessed polynomial).

# $\mathbf{H}$ -ranged protocol using polynomial protocol:

Motivates - for  $\mathbf{H}$ -ranged protocol  $\mathbf{P}$  define

$$\mathfrak{d}(\mathbf{P}) := \left( \sum_{i \in [\ell]} \deg(\mathbf{f}_i) + 1 \right) + \mathbf{D} - |\mathbf{H}|.$$

$\mathbf{D} :=$  max degree of identity  $\mathbf{C}$  checked in exec with honest  $\mathcal{P}$ .

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Reduces to:

$$\mathbf{H} = \{\alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^n\}.$$

$\mathcal{P}$  has sent  $\mathbf{f}', \mathbf{g}' \in \mathbb{F}_{\langle n}[\mathbf{X}]$ .

Wants to prove:

$$\prod_{i \in [n]} \mathbf{f}(\alpha^i) = \prod_{i \in [n]} \mathbf{g}(\alpha^i)$$

$$\mathbf{f} := \mathbf{f}' + \gamma, \mathbf{g} := \mathbf{g}' + \gamma$$

# Multiplicative subgroups:

$$\mathbf{H} = \{ \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^n = 1 \}.$$

$L_i$  is  $i$ 'th lagrange poly of  $\mathbf{H}$ :

$$L_i(\alpha^i) = 1, L_i(\alpha^j) = 0, j \neq i$$

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(most?) common SNARK operation: SNARK recursion requires simulating one field using another

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To remove assumption use preprocessed "table  
poly"  $\mathbf{t}$  with  $\{\mathbf{t}(\mathbf{x})\}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{H}} = [1..\mathbf{M}]$   
(details on next slide)

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Given integer  $d$  decomposing each element to  $d$  elements in range  $[1..M^{1/d}]$  can give us

$$\mathfrak{d}(\mathbf{P}) = 4dn + 4M^{1/d}$$

(by sending an auxiliary polynomial of degree  $< dn$  with the decomposition of each element and then running the  $M^{1/d}$  size range proof on this polynomial).

**Question: can we do better?**