
Scheme Shamir Secret Sharing (SSS)

Shamir's Secret Sharing Scheme [Sha79] based on polynomial interpolation. This scheme is parametrized by a finite field \mathbb{F} , the number of shares produced n , and the number of shares required to reconstruct t (threshold).

Split _{t,n} ($s \in \mathbb{F}$) $\dashrightarrow (\mathbf{y})$

- 1: Set $\mathbf{p}_0 \leftarrow s$ as the constant term of a polynomial $\mathbf{p}(x)$ of degree $t - 1$.
 - 2: **for** $k \in [t - 1]$ **do**
 - 3: Sample $\mathbf{p}_k \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{F}$ as the random coefficients of the polynomial \mathbf{p} .
 - 4: **for** $i \in [n]$ **do**
 - 5: $y_{(i)} \leftarrow \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} (\mathbf{p}_k \cdot i^k)$ as the evaluation of $\mathbf{p}(x)$ in $x=i$.
- return** $(\mathbf{y} = \{y_{(i)}\}_{i \in [n]})$ as the n shares.

Combine _{t,n} ($X \in [n]^t$, $\mathbf{y}' = \{y_{(i)} \in \mathbb{F}\}_{i \in X}$) $\dashrightarrow s$

- 1: **for** $i \in X$ **do** (Iterate over the indices of the t shares)
 - 2: Set $X' \leftarrow X \setminus \{i\}$
 - 3: $\ell_i \leftarrow \prod_{k \in X'} \frac{k}{k-i}$ as the Lagrange coefficient i
 - 4: $s \leftarrow \sum_{i \in X} \ell_i \cdot y_{(i)}$ for the Lagrange interpolation of $\mathbf{p}(x)$ in $x=0$.
- return** s as the reconstructed secret.
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References

- [Sha79] Adi Shamir. How to share a secret. *Communications of the ACM*, 22(11):612–613, 1979.