

Define  $V(x) := \sum c_i \cdot v_i(x)$

$W(x) := \sum c_i \cdot w_i(x)$

$Y(x) := \sum c_i \cdot y_i(x)$

$P(x) := V(x) \cdot W(x) - Y(x)$

$P$  vanishes on all the target points.

$\rightarrow P(r_g) = 0$  for all  $g$ .

Then,  $(c_1, \dots, c_r)$  is a legal assignment iff  $P(1) = P(2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow t(x) \mid P(x)$ .

Note that  $P(1) = V(1) \cdot W(1) - Y(1)$

$\therefore P(s) = t(s) \cdot h(s)$

for some poly.  $h(x)$ .

$$= c_1 \cdot v_1(1) \cdot c_2 \cdot w_2(1) - c_4 \cdot y_4(1)$$

$$= c_1 \cdot c_2 - c_4 = 0$$

$$P(2) = V(2) \cdot W(2) - Y(2)$$

$$= c_4 \cdot v_4(2) \cdot (c_1 \cdot w_1(2) + c_3 \cdot w_3(2)) - c_5 \cdot y_5(2)$$

$$= c_4 \cdot (c_1 + c_3) - c_5 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  "I know  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  s.t.  $c_1 \cdot c_2 \cdot (c_1 + c_3) = 7$ " is translated into

an equivalent statement about polynomials  $V(x), W(x), Y(x), P(x)$  using QAB.

For an illegal assignment  $(c_1, \dots, c_m)$ ,  $t(x)$  does not divide  $P(x)$ .

Suppose Alice wants to prove to Bob she knows  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{F}_p$  s.t.  $c_1 \cdot c_2 \cdot (c_1 + c_3) = 7$ .

i) Alice computes polynomials  $V(x), W(x), Y(x)$  and  $h(x)$ .

ii) Bob chooses a random point  $s \in \mathbb{F}_p$  and computes  $\text{Com}(t(s))$ .

how to compute it w/o knowing  $t(x)$ ?

iii) Alice computes  $\text{Com}(V(s)), \text{Com}(W(s)), \text{Com}(Y(s)), \text{Com}(h(s))$ .

and sends to Bob.

how to compute it w/o knowing  $s$ ?

iv) Bob checks  $\text{Com}(V(s) \cdot W(s) - Y(s)) = \text{Com}(t(s) \cdot h(s))$ .

if Alice doesn't have a satisfying assignment,

she doesn't find any polynomials  $V(x), W(x), Y(x), h(x)$  s.t.  $V(x) \cdot W(x) - Y(x) = h(x) \cdot t(x)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  the last equation does not hold.