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Abstract

Decentralized card game

- Independent decks for each player
- Prove validity of deck
- Prove whether a card exists in a chosen subset of current hand
- All proof done without revealing other information



Introduction



Da Vinci Code

- Speculate number of the card
- Cards are sorted in ascending order, white cards are considered bigger than black ones with same number
- Correctly guessed card must be revealed

Public deck

→ Players draw cards from the same deck

Proof of ordering

→ Cards should be sorted in the correct order

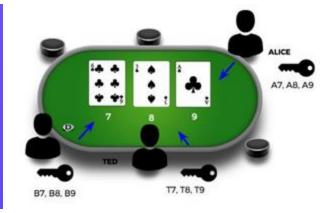
Proof of response

→ Prove the guess is wrong without revealing the card

Introduction

Mental Poker

- Poker game without trusted third party
- First mentioned by Rivest, Shamir and Adleman in a paper published in 1917
- Exist several achievable algorithm



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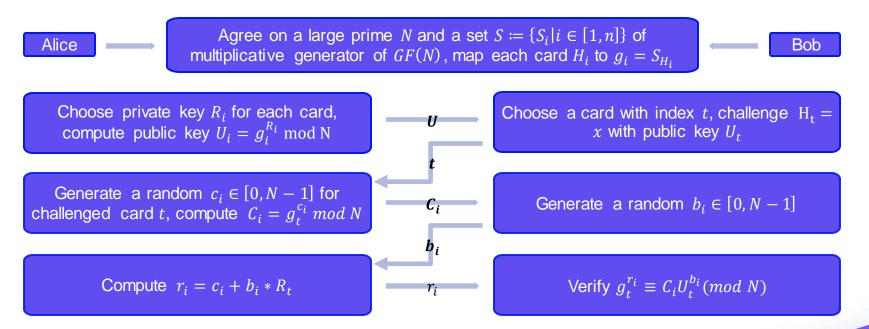
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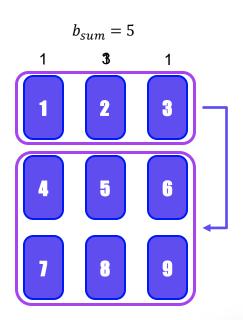
ZKP of single card(commitment scheme)



The Algorithm

ZKP of disjunctive statements

- 1. Alice sets arbitrary b_i for all cards
- 2. Bob challenge a subset with x and $b_{sum} \in [0, N-1]$
- 3. Alice compute $C_i = \frac{S_x^{c_i}}{U_i^{b_i}}$ for $H_i \neq x$, responds $r_i = c_i$
- 4. For the designated card $H_t = x$, let $b_t + \sum b_i \equiv b_{sum} \pmod{N-1}$, here b_i are the other cards in the subset, respond $r_t = c_t + b_t * R_t$
- 5. Alice sends responds along with b_i for all cards in the subset
- 6. Bob checks $\sum b_i \equiv b_{sum} \pmod{N-1}$ and $S_x^{r_i} \equiv C_i * U_i^{b_i} \pmod{N}$ for all i in the subset including t



The Algorithm

Features

ZKP of valid deck: by proving every card's existence in the whole deck

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Drawing cards: by agreed public PRNG(pseudo random number generator)

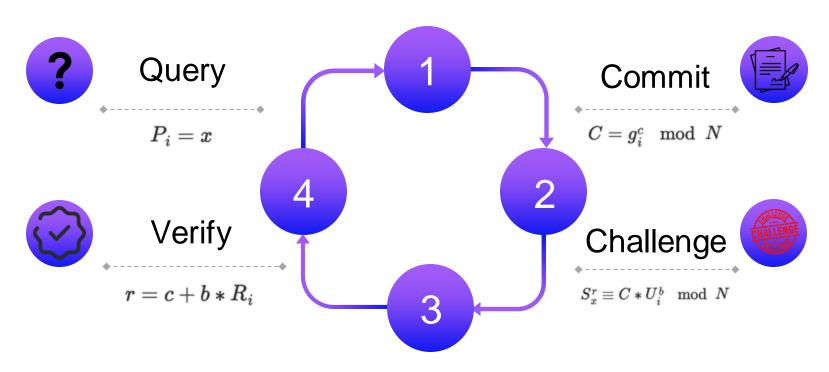
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ZKP of $x \in$ **some subset** of the deck(or of hand)

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ZKP of $x \notin$ some subset of the deck(or of hand)

System Architecture



System Architecture

MetaMask

Cryptocurrency wallet
Signing transactions and authentication

Smart Contract

Deployed on the Sepolia Handles game logic and data storage



Front-end

User Interface
Interacts with MetaMask

Sepolia

Blockchain network
Records transactions and game states

Experiment

Prover

Generate commit, and responds to arbitrary challenges



Verifier

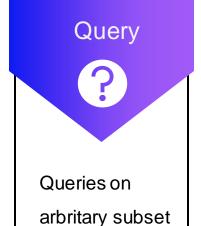
Challenge the prover and verify his respond



Experiment - ZKP Simulator



User sets private permutation and private keys



and value



Experiment - Demo

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Setting global parameters...
Enter the size of the deck n: 5
Enter the prime modulo N, or -1 to leave it as default (10^9+7): -1
Enter the generator map, or enter single -1 to generate a arbitrary one: -1
Setting private parameters...
Enter the private permutation. It should be 0-based and seperated by spaces, eg. '3 0 2 1': 4 0 2 1 3
Enter the private keys, or enter single -1 to generate a random set: -1
Public keys automatically generated.
Checking status...
Modulo N: 1000000007
Generator set S: [5, 10, 13, 15, 17]
Private permutation H: [4, 0, 2, 1, 3]
Private keys R: [158600423, 203679389, 708325694, 859125827, 280547736]
Public keys U: [762121776, 3399366, 292156952, 370382194, 729073059]
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Enter 0 to check current status, 1 to perform query, and -1 to reset: 1
Enter a subset of indices, 0-based and separated by spaces, eq. '0 2': \theta 2 3
                                                                                  Is 4 in {H[0], H[2], H[3]}?
Enter the target integer x between [0, n-1]: 4
Initial commit: X is in Q, C = [753570154, 820871190, 314375729]
Enter challenge between [0, N-2], or -1 for a random one: 82316487
Prover's reply r = [260604289, 853402442, 36424257] b = [597171376, 867224924, 617920199]
Verifying for index 0... U = 762121776, (C, r, b) = (753570154, 260604289, 597171376)
S_x = 17; S_x ^ r (mod N) = 183222069, C * U ^ b (mod N) = 183222069
Index 0 verified: Valid proof.
Verifying for index 2... U = 292156952, (C, r, b) = (820871190, 853402442, 867224924)
S_x = 17; S_x ^ r (mod N) = 233520273, C * U ^ b (mod N) = 233520273
Index 2 verified: Valid proof.
Verifying for index 3... U = 370382194, (C, r, b) = (314375729, 36424257, 617920199)
S_x = 17; S_x ^ r (mod N) = 411918622, C * U ^ b (mod N) = 411918622
Index 3 verified: Valid proof.
Sum of b's mod N - 1: 82316487 , Challenge = 82316487
Result: Valid proof.
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Yes!

Successfully proved x is in Q.

Contribution

 We designed an algorithm and built a protocol for card games on top of it, which should work on any game with separated deck (e.g. Yu-Gi-Oh).

- It extends some features in current Mental Poker Study:
 - 1. ZKP of initial deck validity
 - 2. ZKP of card membership or non-membership

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