

# MPC for Group Reconstruction Circuits

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## Abstract

In this paper, we present a thing.

## 1 Introduction

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## 2 Background

Throughout this paper, we let  $\mathbb{G}$  denote a group of prime order  $q$ , with generators  $G$  and  $H$ . Let  $\mathbb{F}_q$  denote the scalar field associated with this group, and let  $\mathbb{Z}/(q)$  denote the additive group of elements in this field.

We make heavy use of group homomorphisms throughout this paper. We let

$$\varphi(P_1, \dots, P_m) : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$$

denote a homomorphism from  $\mathbb{A}$  to  $\mathbb{B}$ , parameterized by some public values  $P_1, \dots, P_m$ . Commonly  $\mathbb{A}$  will be a product of several groups  $\mathbb{G}_1, \dots, \mathbb{G}_n$ , in which case we'd write:

$$\varphi(P_1, \dots, P_m)(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

to denote the application of  $\varphi$  to an element  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  of the product group. We also often leave the public values  $P_i$  implicit.

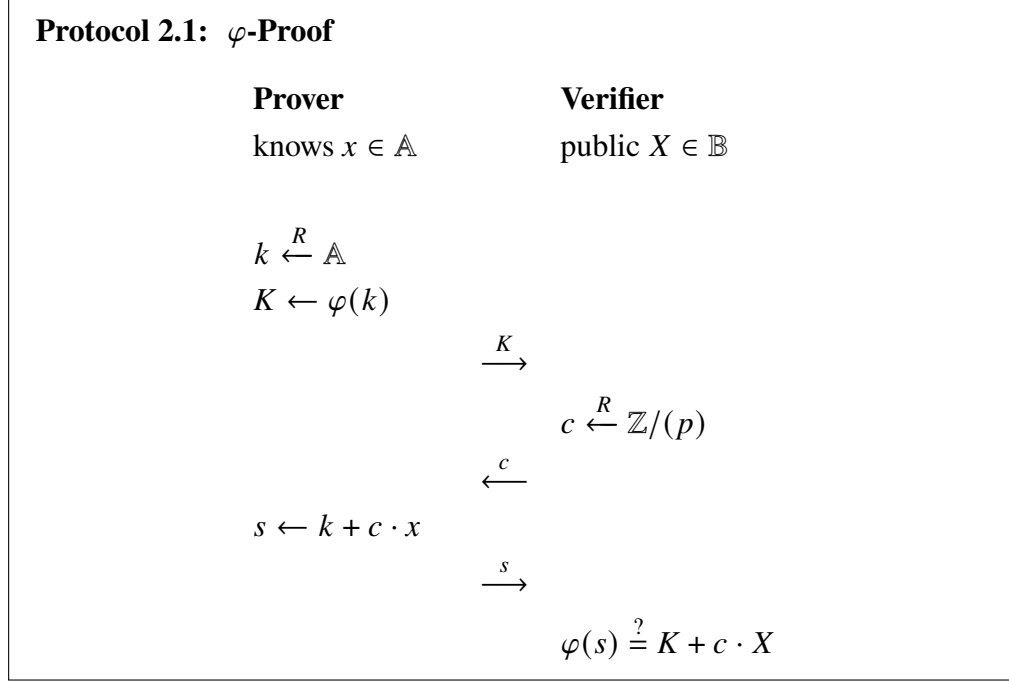
### 2.1 Pedersen Commitments

### 2.2 Sigma Protocols

### 2.3 Maurer's $\varphi$ -Proof

In [Mau09], Maurer generalized Schnorr's sigma protocol for knowledge of the discrete logarithm [Sch90] to a much larger class of relations. In particular, Maurer provided a sigma protocol for proving knowledge of the pre-image of a group homomorphism  $\varphi$ . We denote this protocol as a “ $\varphi$ -proof”, and recapitulate the scheme here.

Given a homomorphism  $\varphi : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ , and a public value  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , the prover wants to demonstrate knowledge of a private value  $x \in \mathbb{A}$  such that  $\varphi(x) = X$ . The prover does this by means of Protocol 2.1:



Here,  $p$  is chosen such that  $\forall B \in \mathbb{B}. p \cdot B = 0$ . In practice, we'll set  $p = q$ , which will work perfectly for the groups we use, which are all products of  $\mathbb{G}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}/(q)$ .

**Claim 2.1.** Protocol 2.1 is a valid sigma protocol.

Completeness follows directly from the fact that  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism.

For the HVZK property, the simulator  $\mathcal{S}(X, c)$  works by generating a random  $s \xleftarrow{R} \mathbb{A}$ , and then setting  $K := \varphi(s) - c \cdot X$ .

Finally, we prove 2-extractability. Given two verifying transcripts  $(K, c, s)$  and  $(K, c', s')$  sharing the first message, we extract a value  $\hat{x}$  satisfying  $\varphi(\hat{x}) = X$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varphi(s) - c \cdot X &= K = \varphi(s') - c' \cdot X \\
 \varphi(s) - \varphi(s') &= c \cdot X - c' \cdot X \\
 \frac{1}{c - c'} \cdot \varphi(s - s') &= X \\
 \varphi\left(\frac{s - s'}{c - c'}\right) &= X
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, defining  $\hat{x} := (s-s')/(c-c')$ , we successfully extract a valid pre-image.

We conclude that the protocol is a valid sigma protocol.

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Maurer's protocol can also work even in the case where the order of the groups are not known, but this makes the challenge generation a bit more complicated, and we don't need this functionality in this work.

## 2.4 UC Security and the Hybrid Model

## 2.5 Ideal Functionalities for Sigma Protocols

### Functionality 2.1: Zero-Knowledge Functionality $\mathcal{F}(\text{ZK}, \varphi)$

A functionality  $\mathcal{F}$  for parties  $P_1, \dots, P_n$ .

On input  $(\text{prove}, \text{sid}, x)$  from  $P_i$ :

$\mathcal{F}$  checks that  $\text{sid}$  has not been used by  $P_i$  before.

$\mathcal{F}$  generates a new token  $\pi$ , and sets  $x_\pi \leftarrow x$ .

$\mathcal{F}$  replies with  $(\text{proof}, \pi)$ .

On input  $(\text{verify}, X, \pi)$ :

$\mathcal{F}$  replies with  $(\text{verify-result}, \varphi(x_\pi) \stackrel{?}{=} X)$ .

## 2.6 Broadcast Functionalities

### Functionality 2.2: Authenticated Broadcast Functionality $\mathcal{C}$

A functionality  $\mathcal{C}$  for parties  $P_1, \dots, P_n$ .

On receiving  $(\text{broadcast-in}, \text{sid}, m)$  from  $P_i$ :

$\mathcal{C}$  checks that  $\text{sid}$  has not been used by  $P_i$  before.

$\mathcal{C}$  sends  $(\text{broadcast-out}, \text{pid}_i, \text{sid}, m)$  to every party  $P_j$ .

## **3 Group Reconstruction Circuits**

### **3.1 Formal Definition**

### **3.2 Normalized Form**

## **4 MPC Protocol for GRCs**

## **5 Security Analysis**

## **6 Applications**

## **7 Limitations and Further Work**

## **8 Conclusion**

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