

# Adaptor Signature Based Atomic Swaps Between Bitcoin and a Mimblewimble Based Cryptocurrency

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CHAPTER 1

### Introduction

Pedro: We need to discuss a structure for the introduction. Proposal:

- Introduce why coin exchanges are interesting
- Explain why atomic swaps protocols (e.g., one could use a trusted server for this and problem solved, right?)
- Why coin exchanges between Bitcoin and Mimblewimble?
- Why what you are proposing in this thesis is challenging?
- What are the main contributions of these thesis?
- What do you think is an interesting future research direction?

Mimblewimble The Mimblewimble protocol was introduced in 2016 by an anonymous entity named Jedusor, Tom Elvis [jedusor2016mimblewimble]. The author's name, as well as the protocols name, are references to the Harry Potter franchise. <sup>1</sup> In Harry Potter, Mimblewimble is a tongue-typing curse which reflects the goal of the protocol's design, which is improving the user's privacy. Later, Andrew Poelstra took up the ideas from the original writing and published his understanding of the protocol in his paper [poelstra2016mimblewimble]. The protocol gained increasing interest in the community and was implemented in the Grin <sup>2</sup> and Beam <sup>3</sup> Cryptocurrencies, which both launched in early 2019. In the same year, two papers were published, which successfully defined and proved security properties for Mimblewimble [fuchsbauer2019aggregate, betarte2019towards].

Pedro: I would not add a line break at the end of each paragraph. The template should do that

https://harrypotter.fandom.com/wiki/Tongue-Tying\_Curse

 $<sup>^2</sup>$ https://grin.mw/

<sup>3</sup>https://beam.mw/

Pedro: If you are going to compare to Bitcoin, you need to introduce Bitcoin before

Compared to Bitcoin, there are some differences in Mimblewimble:

• Use of Pedersen commitments instead of plaintext transaction values

Pedro: The reader does not know what Pedersen commitments are at this point. Perhaps say transaction values are hidden from a blockchain observer while this is not the case in Bitcoin

• No addresses. Coin ownership is given by the knowledge of the opening of the coins Pedersen commitment.

Pedro: This is also unclear. Could one see the commitment as the "address" in Mimblewimble? Perhaps you want to say that there is no scripting language supported?

- Spend outputs are purged from the ledger such that only unspent transaction outputs remain.
- No scripting features.

By utilizing Pedersen commitments in the transactions, we hide the amounts transferred in a transaction, improving the systems user privacy, but also requiring additional range proofs, attesting to the fact that actual amounts transferred are in between a valid range. Not having any addresses enables transaction merging and transaction cut through, which we will explain in section 3.3.3. However, this comes with the consequence that building transactions require active interaction between the sender and receiver, which is different than in constructions more similar to Bitcoin, where a sender can transfer funds to any address without requiring active participation by the receiver. Through transaction merging and cut-through and some further protocol features, which we will see later in this section, we gain the third mentioned property of being able to delete transaction outputs from the Blockchain, which have already been spent before. This ongoing purging in the Blockchain makes it particularly space-efficient as the space required by the ledger only grows in the number of UTXOs, in contrast to Bitcoin, in which space requirement increases with the number of overall mined transactions. Saving space is especially relevant for Cryptocurrencies employing confidential transactions because the size of the range proofs attached to outputs can be significant.

Pedro: What comes next is hard to read. It requires better organization: Advantages of Mimblewimble are: (i) ..., (ii)...; Disadvantages are: (i)..., (ii),...).

Another advantage of this property is that new nodes joining the system do not have to verify the whole history of the Blockchain to validate the current state, making it much easier to join the network. Another limitation of Mimblewimble- based Cryptocurrencies

Pedro: Use "we" for contributions that you do in the thesis and "they" for parts that are borrowed from other works

Pedro: An intuition of these two terms is required here

Pedro: another sentence that shows that you need to explain before how Bitcoin works (the basics) is that at least the current construction does not allow scripts, such as they are available in Bitcoin or similar systems. Transaction validity is given solely by a single valid signature plus the balancedness of inputs and outputs. This shortcoming makes it challenging to realize concepts such as multi signatures or conditional transactions which are required for Atomic Swap protocols. However, as we will see in 3.4 there are ways we can still construct the necessary transactions by merely relying on cryptographic primitives [fuchsbauer2019aggregate].

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## Motivation & Objectives

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## **Preliminaries**

Pedro: Although not strictly required, IMO it is nice to have some text here introducing what the reader should expect in the rest of the section. For instance: In this section, we first introduce the notation and definitions used hereby in this thesis. Then, we ...... Finally, we introduce.....

#### 3.1 General Notation and Definitions

**Notation** We first define the general notation used in the following chapters to formalize procedures and protocols. Let  $\mathbb{G}$  denote a cyclic group of prime order p and  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  the ring of integers modulo p with identity element  $1_p$ .  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  is  $\mathbb{Z}_p \setminus \{0\}$ . g, h are adjacent generators in  $\mathbb{G}$ , where adjacent means the discrete logarithm of h in regards to g is not known. Exponentiation stands for repeated application of the group operation. We define the group operation between two curve points as  $g^a \cdot g^{g^b} \stackrel{?}{=} g^{a+b}$ .

**Definition 3.1** (Hard Relation[aumayr2020bitcoinchannels]). Given a language  $L_R := \{A \mid \exists a \text{ s.t. } (A, a) \in R\}$  then the relation R is considered hard if the following three properties hold:

- 1.  $genRel((1^n))$  is a PPT sampling algorithm which outputs a statement/witness of the form  $(A, a) \in R$ .
- 2. Relation R is poly-time decidable.
- 3. For all PPT adversaries  $\mathcal{A}$  the probability of finding a given A is negligible.

Pedro: I think macro \ was broken here. I have updated to use \ instead. Please check that this is what you expected

Pedro: We normally do not use the tilde to add spaces in math mode Pedro: I would include these two relations below as your own definitions because I imagine that you would like to refer to them afterwards in the thesis

In this thesis we find two types of hard relations:

- 1. The output of a secure hash function (as defined in 3.3) and it's input (I, H(I)).
- 2. The discrete logarithm x of  $g^x$  in the group  $\mathbb{G}$ .

Pedro: Link to paper/book where you got this definition from is missing

Pedro: What is valid here? You have not defined it before **Definition 3.2** (Signature Scheme). A valid Signature Scheme must provide three procedures:

Pedro: I would write this sentence as: A signature scheme  $\Phi$  is a tuple of algorithms (keyGen, sign, verf) defined as follows:

$$\Phi = (\mathsf{keyGen}, \ \mathsf{sign}, \ \mathsf{verf})$$

Pedro: write the API of the algorithms in bullet points

 $(sk, pk) \leftarrow \mathsf{keyGen}(1^n)$  takes as input a security parameter  $1^n$  and outputs a keypair (sk, pk), consisting of a secret key sk and a public key pk, whereas the secret key has to be kept private and the public key is shared with other parties. sk can be used together with a message m to call the  $\mathsf{sign}(sk, m)$  procedure to create a signature  $\sigma$  over the message m. Parties knowing pk can then test the validity of the signature by calling  $\mathsf{verf}(pk, \sigma, m)$  with the same message m. The procedure will only output 1 if the message was indeed signed with the correct secret key sk of pk and therefore proves the possesion of sk by the signer. A valid signature scheme have to fulfill two security properties

Pedro: Choose one unforgeability form, the one that you require later in the thesis

Pedro: "proving that the sender had the sk" is a property that no all signature schemes may have

• Correctness: For all messages m and valid keypairs (sk, pk) the following must hold  $\operatorname{verf}(pk, \operatorname{sign}(sk, m), m) \stackrel{?}{=} 1$ 

Pedro: Except with negligible probability

- Unforgeability: Note that there are different levels of Unforgability: [goldwasser1988digital]
  - Universal Forgery: The ability to forge signatures for any message.
  - Selective Forgery: The ability to fogre signatures for messages of the adversary's choice.
  - Existential Forgery: The ability to forge a valid signature / message pair not previously known to the adversary.

Pedro: nice that you have defined the three properties. I would keep the one that you need later

**Definition 3.3** (Cryptographic Hash Function). A cryptographic hash function His defined as  $H(I) \to \{0,1\}^n$  for some fixed number n and some input I. A secure hashing function has to fullfill the following security properties: [al2011cryptographic]

Pedro: minor thing: we normally use capital H

- Collision-Resistence (CR): Collision-Resistance means that it is computationally infeasible to find two inputs  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  such that  $H(I_1) := H(I_2)$  with  $I_1 \neq I_2$ .
- Pre-image Resistence (Pre): In a hash function H that fulfills Pre-image Resistance it is infeasible to recover the original input I from its hash output H(I). If this security property is achieved, the hash function is said to be non-invertible.
- 2nd Pre-image Resistence (Sec): This property is similar to Collision-Resistance and is sometimes referred to as Weak Collision-Resistance. Given such a hash function H and an input I, it should be infeasible to find a different input  $I^*$  such that  $I \neq I^*$  and  $H(I) \stackrel{?}{=} H(I^*)$ .

Pedro: I think here the Open operation of the commitment is missing, which you need later for the binding property

**Definition 3.4** (Commitment Scheme [bunz2018bulletproofs]). A cryptographic Commitment Scheme COM is defined by a pair of functions (keyGen( $1^n$ ), commit(I, k)). keyGen is the setup procedure, it takes as input a security parameter  $1^n$  and outputs public parameters PP. Depending on PP we define a input space  $\mathbb{I}_{PP}$ , a randomness space  $\mathbb{K}_{PP}$  and a commitment space  $\mathbb{C}_{PP}$ .

The function commit takes an arbitrary input  $I \in \mathbb{I}_{PP}$ , and a random value  $k \in \mathbb{K}_{PP}$  and generates an output  $C \in \mathbb{C}_{PP}$ .

Secure commitments must fullfill the *Binding* and *Hiding* security properties:

- Binding: If a Commitment Scheme is binding it must hold that for all PPT adversaries  $\mathcal{A}$  given a valid input  $I \in \mathbb{I}_{PP}$  and randomness  $k \in \mathbb{K}_{PP}$  the probabilty of finding a  $I^* \neq I$  and a  $k^*$  with commit $(I, k) \stackrel{?}{=} \mathsf{commit}(I^*, k^*)$  is negligible.
- Hiding: For a PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ , commitment inputs  $I \in \mathbb{I}_{PP}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{K}_{PP}$  and a commitment output  $C := \mathsf{commit}(I, k)$  the probability of the adversary choosing the correct input  $\{I, I^*\}$  must not be higher then  $\frac{1}{2} + \mathsf{negl}(P)$ .

Pedro: Add reference from where you took this definition. You may want to add that it is an "Additive" Homomorphic Commitment

Pedro: this definition seems wrong to me? Where does  $I^*$  come from?

**Definition 3.5** (Homomorphic Commitment). If a Commitment Scheme as defined in 3.4 is homomorphic then the following must hold

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{commit}}(I_1, k_1) \cdot \operatorname{\mathsf{commit}}(I_2, k_2) \stackrel{?}{=} \operatorname{\mathsf{commit}}(I_1 + I_2, k_1 + k_2)$$

First, a Pedersen Commitment is an instance of Commitment Scheme as in Def 3.4; Second it has the homomorphic property as in 3.5. Clarify that, for instance, by explaining exactly how the algorithms are implemented, as you did below.

**Definition 3.6** (Pedersen Commitment). A Pedersen Commitment is an instantiation of a Homomoprhic Commitment Scheme as defined in 3.5:

$$\mathbb{C}_{PP} := \mathbb{G}$$

of order p,  $\mathbb{I}_{PP}$ ,  $\mathbb{K}_{PP} := \mathbb{Z}_p$ . the procedures (keyGen, commit) are then instantiated as:

$$\mathsf{commit}(I,k) \; := \; g^k h^I$$

- 3.2 Bitcoin
- 3.2.1 Bitcoin Transaction Protocol
- 3.2.2 Bitcoin Scaling and Layer Two Solutions
- 3.3 Privacy-enhancing Cryptocurrencies
- 3.3.1 Zero Knowledge Proofs
- 3.3.2 Range Proofs

**Definition 3.7** (Rangeproof System). A Rangeproofs system  $\Pi[COM]$  with regards to a homomorphic commitment scheme COM consists of a tupel of functions (ranPrfSetup, ranPrf, vrfRanPrf).

- $(lb, ub) \leftarrow \text{ranPrfSetup}(1^n, i, j)$ : The rangeproof setup algorithm takes as input a security paramter  $1^n$  as well as two numbers i and j which are treated as exponents of 2 to define the lower and upper bound of the rangeproof protocol.
- $\pi \leftarrow \operatorname{ranPrf}(C, v, r)$ : The proof algorithm is a DPT function which takes as input a commitment C a value v and a blinding factor r. It will output a proof  $\pi$  attesting to the statement that the value v of commitment C is in between the range  $\langle lb, ub \rangle$  as defined during the ranPrfSetup function.
- $\{1,0\} \leftarrow \text{vrfRanPrf}(\pi, C)$ : The proof verification algorithm is a DPT function which verifies the validity of the proof  $\pi$  with regards to the commitment C. It will output 1 upon a successfull verification or 0 otherwise.

**Definition 3.8** (Multiparty Rangeproof System). A Multiparty Rangeproof System  $\Pi_{mp}[COM]$  with regards to a homomorphic commitment scheme COM is an extension of the regular Rangeproof System with the following distributed protocol dRanPrf.

•  $\pi \leftarrow \mathsf{dRanPrf}((C, v, r_A), (C, v, r_B))$ : The distributed proof protocol allows two parties Alice and Bob, each owning a share of the commitment C to cooperate in order to produce a valid range proof  $\pi$  without a party learning the blinding factor share from the other party.

For MP proofs [klinec2020privacy]

#### 3.3.3 Mimblewimble

In this section we will outline the fundamental properties of the protocols employed in Mimblewimble which are relevant for the thesis and particularily the construction of the Atomic Swap protocol defined in 5.

#### Transaction Structure

Pedro: I think that throughout this section, you have nice explanations of the different parts of the transaction. It would be also possible to add definitions for the different things that you use

• For two adjacent elliptic curve generators g and h a coin in Mimblewimble is a tuple of the form  $(\mathcal{C}, \pi)$ , where  $\mathcal{C} := g^v \cdot h^k$  a Pedersen Commitment [**pedersen1991non**] to the value v with blinding factor k.  $\pi$  is a range proof attesting to the statement that v is in a valid range in zero-knowledge.

Pedro: not sure whether the point below is required

- As already pointed out, there are now addresses in Mimblewimble. Ownership of a coin is equivalent to the knowledge of its opening, so the blinding factor takes the role of the secret key.
- A transaction consists of  $C_{inp} := (C_1, \ldots, C_n)$  input coins and  $C_{out} := (C'_1, \ldots, C'_n)$  output coins.

A transaction is considered valid iff  $\sum v'_i - \sum v_i \stackrel{?}{=} 0$  so the sum of all input values has to be 0. (Not taking transaction fees into account)

Pedro: doesn't need to check the range proofs as well?

From that we can derive the following equation:

$$\sum {\cal C}_{out} \ - \ \sum {\cal C}_{inp} \ := \ \sum \left( h^{v'_i} \ \cdot \ g^{k'_i} 
ight) \ - \ \sum \left( h^{v_i} \ \cdot \ g^{k_i} 
ight)$$

Pedro: you might want to specify what range is used here. Also I rewrote some part so please check. So if we assume that a transaction is valid then we are left with the following so called excess value:

$$\mathcal{E} := q^{(\sum k_i' - \sum k_i)}$$

Pedro: You mean knowledge of the exponent of  $\mathcal{E}$ ?

Knowledge of the opening of all coins and the validity of the transaction implies knowledge of  $\mathcal{E}$ . Directly revealing the opening to  $\mathcal{E}$  would leak too much information, an adversary knowing the openings for input coins and all but one output coin, could easily calculate the unknown opening given  $\mathcal{E}$ . Therefore knowledge of  $\mathcal{E}$  instead is proven by providing a valid signature for  $\mathcal{E}$  as public key. Coinbase transactions (transactions creating new money as part of a miners reward) additionally include the newly minted money as supply s in the excess equation:

$$\mathcal{E} := g^{\left(\sum k_i' - \sum k_i\right)} - h^s$$

Finally a Mimblewimble transaction is of form:

$$tx := (s, \mathcal{C}_{inp}, \mathcal{C}_{out}, K) \text{ with } K := (\{\pi\}, \{\mathcal{E}\}, \{\sigma\})$$

where s is the transaction supply amount,  $C_{inp}$  is the list of input coins,  $C_{out}$  is the list of output coins and K is the transaction Kernel. The Kernel consists of  $\{\pi\}$  which is a list of all output coin range proofs,  $\{\mathcal{E}\}$  a list of excess values and finally  $\{\sigma\}$  a list of signatures [fuchsbauer2019aggregate].

Pedro: the  $\mathcal{E}$  is a single value? or a set?

#### Transaction Merging

An essential property of the Mimblewimble protocol is that two transactions can easily be merged into one, which is essentially a non-interactive version of the CoinJoin protocol on Bitcoin [maxwell2013coinjoin] Assume we have the following two transactions:

$$\mathit{tx}_0 \; := \; (s_0, \; \mathcal{C}^0_{\mathit{inp}}, \; \mathcal{C}^0_{\mathit{out}}, \; (\{\pi_0\}, \; \{\mathcal{E}_0\}, \; \{\sigma_0\}))$$

$$tx_1 := (s_1, C^1_{inp}, C^1_{out}, (\{\pi_1\}, \{\mathcal{E}_1\}, \{\sigma_1\}))$$

Then we can build a single merged transaction:

$$tx_m := (s_0 + s_1, C_{inn}^0 || C_{inn}^1, C_{out}^0 || C_{out}^1, (\{\pi_0\} || \{\pi_1\}), \{\mathcal{E}_0\} || \{\mathcal{E}_1\}, \{\sigma_0\} || \{\sigma_1\})$$

We can easily deduce that if  $tx_0$  and  $tx_1$  are valid, it follows that  $tx_m$  also has to be valid: If  $tx_0$  and  $tx_1$  are valid that means  $\mathcal{C}^0_{inp} - \mathcal{C}^0_{out} - h^{s_0} := \mathcal{E}_0$ ,  $\{\pi_0\}$  contains valid range proofs for the outputs  $\mathcal{C}^0_{out}$  and  $\{\sigma_0\}$  contains a valid signature to  $\mathcal{E}_0 - h^{s_0}$  as public key, the same must hold for  $tx_1$ .

By the rules of arithmetic it then must also hold that

$$C_{inp}^{0} \parallel C_{inp}^{1} - C_{out}^{0} \parallel C_{out}^{1} - h^{s_{0} + s_{1}} := \mathcal{E}_{0} \cdot \mathcal{E}_{1}, \{\pi_{0}\} \parallel \{\pi_{1}\}$$

must contain valid range proofs for the output coins and  $\{\sigma_0\} \mid\mid \{\sigma_1\}$  must contain valid signatures to the respective Excess points, which makes  $tx_m$  a valid transaction.

#### Subset Problem

Pedro: I think the content below is not fully clear yet. If needed for the rest, we need to clarify (e.g., add an example?)

A subtle problem arises with the way transactions are merged in Mimblewimble. From the shown construction, it is possible to reconstruct the original separate transactions from the merged one, which can be a privacy issue. Given a set of inputs, outputs, and kernels, a subset of these will recombine to reconstruct one of the valid transaction which were aggregated since Kernel Excess values are not combined. (which would invalidate the signatures and therefore break the security of the system) This problem has been mitigated in Cryptocurrencies implementing the protocol by including an additional variable in the Kernel, called offset value. The offset is randomly chosen and needs to be added back to the Excess values to verify the sum of the commitments to zero.

$$\sum C_{out} - \sum C_{inp} - h^s := \mathcal{E}^o$$

Every time two transactions are merged, the offset values are combined into a single value. If offsets are picked truly randomly, and the possible range of values is broad enough, the probability of recovering the uncombined offsets from a merged one becomes negligible, making it infeasable to recover original transactions from a merged one [poelstra2016mimblewimble].

#### Cut Through

From the way transactions are merged together, we can now learn how to purge spent outputs securely. Let's assume  $C_i$  appears as an output in  $tx_0$  and as an input in  $tx_1$ , which are being merged. Remembering the equation for transaction balancedness,  $C_{inp} - C_{out} := \mathcal{E}$  if  $C_i$  appears both in the inputs and outputs, and we erase it on both sides, the equation will still hold. Therefore every time a transaction spends an output, it can be virtually forgotten to improve transaction unlinkability as well as yielding saving space.

Pedro: This requires further explanation and maybe an example?

#### The Ledger

#### Pedro: Do we need this subsection?

The ledger of the Mimblewimble protocol itself is a transaction of the already discussed form. Initially, the ledger starts empty, and transactions are added and aggregated recursively.

- Only transactions in which input coins are contained in the output coins of the ledger will be valid.
- The supply of the ledger is the sum of the supplies of all transactions added so far. Therefore we can easily read the total circulating supply from the ledger state.

• Due to cut through, the input coin list of the ledger is always empty, and the output list is the set of UTXOs.

#### **Transaction Building**

As already pointed out, building transactions in Mimblewimble is an interactive process between the sender and receiver of funds. Jedusor, Tom Elvis originally envisioned the following two-step process to build a transaction: [jedusor2016mimblewimble]

Assume Alice wants to transfer coins of value p to Bob.

Pedro: we need a way to express this clearer

Pedro: For secu-

rity, privacy or

both?

- 1. Alice first selects input coins  $C_{inp}$  of total value  $v \geq p$  that she controls. She then creates change coin outputs  $C_{out}^A$  (could be multiple) of total value v p and then sends  $C_{inp}$ ,  $C_{out}^A$ , a valid range proofs for  $C_{out}^A$ , plus the opening (-p, x) of  $\sum C_{out}^A \sum C_{inp}$  to Bob.
- 2. Bob creates himself additional output coins  $C_{out}^B$  plus range proofs of total value p with keys  $(x_i^*)$  and computes a signature  $\sigma$  with the combined secret key  $x + \sum x_i^*$  and finalizes the transaction as

$$tx \ := \ (0, \ \mathcal{C}_{inp}, \ \mathcal{C}_{out}^A \ || \ \mathcal{C}_{out}^B, \ (\pi, \ \mathcal{E} \ := \ \sum \mathcal{C}_{out}^A \ \cdot \ \sum \mathcal{C}_{out}^B \ - \ \sum \mathcal{C}_{inp}, \ \sigma))$$

and publishes it to the network.

Figure 3.1 depicts the original transaction flow.

This protocol however turned out to be vulnerable. The receiver can spend the change coins  $C_{out}^A$  by reverting the transaction. Doing this would give the sender his coins back, however as the sender might not have the keys for his spent outputs anymore, the coins could then be lost.

In detail this reverting transaction would look like:

$$tx_{rv} := (0, \mathcal{C}_{out}^A \mid\mid \mathcal{C}_{out}^B, \mathcal{C}_{inp}, (\pi_{rv}, \mathcal{E}_{rv}, \sigma_{rv}))$$

Again remembering the construction of the Excess value of this construction would look like this:

$$\mathcal{E}_{rv} \; := \; \sum \mathcal{C}_{out}^A \mid\mid \mathcal{C}_{out}^B \; - \; \mathcal{C}_{inp}$$

The key x originally sent by Alice to Bob is a valid opening to  $\sum C_{inp} - \sum C_{out}^{A}$ . With the inverse of this key  $x_{inv}$  we get the opening to  $\sum C_{out}^{A} - C_{inp}$ . Now all Bob has to do is add his keys  $\sum x_{i}^{*}$  to get:

$$x_{rv} := -x + \sum x_i^*$$

which is the opening to  $\mathcal{E}_{rv}$ . Furthermore obtaining a valid range proofs is trivial, as it once was a valid output the ledger will cointain a valid proof for this coin already.

This means Bob spends the newly created outputs and sends them back to the original input coins, chosen by Alice. It might at first seem unclear why Bob would do that. An

Pedro: Why range proof is not correct here in the first place?

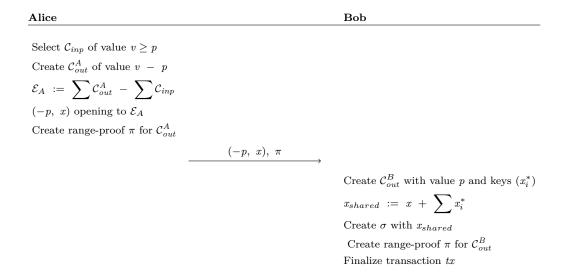


Figure 3.1: Original transaction building process

Pedro: Really nice that you created this protocol:)

example situation could be if Alice pays Bob for some good which Bob is selling. Alice decides to pay in advance, but then Bob discovers that he is already out of stock of the good that Alice ordered. To return the funds to Alice, he reverses the transaction instead of participating in another interactive process to build a new transaction with new outputs. If Alice already deleted the keys to her initial coins, the funds are now lost. The problem was solved in the Grin Cryptocurrency by making the signing process itself a two-party process which will be explained in more detail in chapter 4.

Fuchsbauer et al. [fuchsbauer2019aggregate] proposed the following alternative way to build transactions which would not be vulnerable to this problem.

- 1. Alice constructs a full-fledged transaction  $tx_A$  spending her input coins  $C_{inp}$  and creates her change coins  $C_{out}^A$ , plus a special output coin  $C_{out}^{sp} := h^p \cdot g^{x_{sp}}$ , where p is the desired value which should be transferred to Bob and  $x_{sp}$  is a randomly choosen key. She proceeds by sending  $tx_A$  as well as  $(p, x_{sp})$  and the necessary range proofs to Bob.
- 2. Bob now creates a second transaction  $tx_B$  spending the special coin  $\mathcal{C}_{out}^{sp}$  to create an output only he controls  $\mathcal{C}_{out}^B$  and merges  $tx_A$  with  $tx_B$  into  $tx_m$ . He then broadcasts  $tx_m$  to the network. Note that when the two transactions are merged the intermediate special coin  $\mathcal{C}_{out}^{sp}$  will be both in the coin output and input list of the transaction and therfore will be discarded.

The only drawback of this approach is that we have two transaction kernels instead of

Alice BobSelect  $C_{inp}$  of value  $v \geq p$ Create  $C_{out}^A$  of value v - p $x_{sp} \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ Create  $\mathcal{C}^{sp}_{out} \; := \; h^p \; + \; g^{x_{sp}}$ Construct and sign  $tx_A$  with  $C_{inp}$ ,  $C_{out}^A$ ,  $C_{out}^{sp}$  $tx_A, p, x_{sp}$ Create  $\mathcal{C}^B_{out}$  with value pCreate  $tx_B$  spending  $\mathcal{C}^{sp}_{out}$  to  $\mathcal{C}^{B}_{out}$ Merge  $tx_A$  and  $tx_B$  to  $tx_m$ Publish  $tx_m$ Figure 3.2: Salvaged Fuchsbauer tranction protocol by  $\operatorname{et}$ al. [fuchsbauer2019aggregate] Pedro: put labels inside captions

just one because of the merging step, making the transaction slightly bigger. A figure showing the protocol flow is depicted in Figure 3.2.

#### 3.4 Scriptless Scripts

#### 3.5 Adaptor Signatures

#### 3.5.1 Schnorr Signature Construction

#### 3.5.2 ECDSA Signature Construction

## Two Party Fixed Witness Adaptor Signatures

In this chapter, we will define a variant of the adaptor signature scheme as explained in section 3.5. The main difference in the protocol outlined in this thesis is that one of the two parties does know the fixed secret witness before the start of the protocol. The aim of the protocol will then be that the other person is able to extract the witness from the final signature. This feature can then be leveraged to build an Atomic Swap protocol as we will show in 5.

First we will define the general two-party signature creation protocol as it is currently implemented in Mimblewimble-based Cryptocurrencies. We reduce the generated signatures to the general case [schnorr1989efficient] and prove its correctness. From this two-party protocol, we then derive the adapted variant, which allows hiding a fixed witness value in the signature, which can be revealed only by the other party after attaining the final signature.

We start by defining our extended signature scheme in section 4.1, proceed by providing a schnorr-based instantiation of the protocol in section 4.2 and finally prove its security in section 4.2.1.

#### 4.1 Definitions

A two-party signature scheme is an extension of a signature scheme as defined in definition 3.2, which allows us to distribute signature generation for a composite public key shared between two parties Alice and Bob. Alice and Bob want to collaborate to generate a signature valid under the composite public key  $pk := pk_A \cdot pk_B$  without having to reveal their secret keys to each other.

**Definition 4.1** (Two Party Signature Scheme). A two party signature scheme  $\Phi_{MP}$  extends a signature scheme  $\Phi$  with a tuple of protocols and algorithms (dKeyGen, signPrt, vrfPt, finSig) defined as follows:

- $((sk_A, pk_A, k_A, \Lambda), (sk_B, pk_B, k_B, \Lambda)) \leftarrow \mathsf{dKeyGen}\langle 1^n, 1^n \rangle$ : The distributed key generation protocol takes as input the security parameter from both Alice and Bob and returns the tuple  $(sk_A, pk_A, k_A, \Lambda)$  to Alice (similar to Bob) where  $(sk_A, pk_A)$  is a pair of private and corresponding public keys,  $k_A$  a secret nonce and  $\Lambda$  is the signature context containing parameters shared between Alice and Bob. We introduce  $\Lambda$  for the participants to share as well as update parameters with each other during the protocol execution.
- $(\tilde{\sigma_A}) \leftarrow \text{signPrt}(m, sk_A, k_A, \Lambda)$ : The partial signing algorithm is a DPT function that takes as input the message m and the share of the secret key  $sk_A$  and nonce  $k_A$  (similar for Bob) as well as the shared signature context  $\Lambda$ . The procedure outputs  $(\tilde{\sigma_A})$ , that is, a share of the signature to a participant.
- $\{1,0\} \leftarrow \mathsf{vrfPt}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, m, pk_A)$ : The share verification algorithm is a DPT function that takes as input a signature share  $\tilde{\sigma_A}$ , a message m, and the other participants public key  $pk_A$  (similar  $pk_B$  for Bobs partial signature). The algorithm returns 1 if the verification was successfull or 0 otherwise.
- $\sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \text{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \tilde{\sigma_B})$ : The finalize signature algorithm is a DPT function that takes as input two shares of the signatures and combines them into a final signature valid ander the shared public key pk.

We require the two party signature scheme to be correct as well as unforgeable against chosen message attacks (EUF-CMA). EUF-CMA for a two-party signature scheme was defined for instance in [lindell2017fast]. For the correctness of the distributed key-generation protool dKeyGen, special care needs to be taken to gurantee a uniformly random distribution of generated keys as pointed out by Lindell and Yehuda in [lindell2017fast].

**Definition 4.2** (Two Party Fixed Witness Adaptor Schnorr Signature Scheme). From the definition 4.1, we now derive an adapted signature scheme  $\Phi_{Apt}$ , which allows one of the participants to hide the discrete logarithm x of a statement  $X := g^x$  chosen at the beginning of the protocol. Again we extend our previously defined signature scheme with new functions:

$$\Phi_{Apt} := (\Phi_{MP} \mid\mid \mathsf{adaptSig} \mid\mid \mathsf{verifyAptSig} \mid\mid \mathsf{extWit})$$

•  $\hat{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{adaptSig}(\tilde{\sigma_B}, x)$ : The adapt signature algorithm is a DPT function that takes as input a partial signature  $\tilde{\sigma}$  and a secret witness value x. The procedure will output a adapted partial signature  $\hat{\sigma}$  which can be verified to contain x using the verifyAptSig function, without having to reveal x.

- $\{1,0\} \leftarrow \text{verifyAptSig}(\hat{\sigma_A}, m, pk_A, X)$ : The verification algorithm is a DPT function that takes as input an adapted partial signature  $\hat{\sigma}$ , the other participants public keys and a statement X. The function will verify the partial signature's validity as well that it contains the secret witness x.
- $x \leftarrow \text{extWit}(\sigma_{fin}, \ \tilde{\sigma_A}, \ \hat{\sigma_B})$ : The witness extraction algorithm is a DPT function that lets Alice extract the secret witness x from the final composite signature. Note that to extract the witness x the partial signatures shared between the participants beforehand and the statement X needs to be provided as inputs. This means that for executing this function one needs to first learn the partial signatures exchanged between the parties.

Note that our definition of the adaptor signature scheme is different then the definition seen in 3.5. This has the reason that we require our scheme to be able to hide a secret chosen before the signing protocol has been started. One of the participants will be able to hide this secret during the distributed signing protocol which the other party can extract after completion of the protocol. This feature is a requirement for our signature scheme such that we can build the atomic swap protocol which will be layed out in ??.

**Definition 4.3** (Secure Adaptor Signature Scheme ). As defined by Aumayr et al. in [aumayr2020bitcoinchan a secure adaptor signature scheme needs two security properties to be fulfilled:

- 1. aEUF CMA
- 2. Witness Extractability

We proceed by redefining these properties as well as adapted correctness for our adapted two-party fixed witness signature scheme defined in definition 4.2:

Similar to how it is defined in [aumayr2020bitcoinchannels] additionally to Correctness as defined in 3.2 we require our signature scheme to satisfy Adaptor Signature Correctness. This property is given when every adapted partial signature generated by adaptSig can be completed into a final signature for all pairs  $(x, X) \in R$ , from which it will be possible to extract the witness computing extWit with the required parameters.

**Definition 4.4** (Adaptor Signature Correctness ). More formally Adaptor Signature Correctness is given if for every security parameter  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , message  $m \in \{0,1\}^*$ , keypairs  $((sk_A, pk_A, k_A, \Lambda), (sk_B, pk_B, k_B, \Lambda)) \leftarrow \mathsf{dKeyGen}\langle 1^n, 1^n \rangle$  with their composite public key  $\Lambda.pk$  and every statement/witness pair  $(X, x)\mathsf{genRel}(1^n)$  in a relation R it must hold that:

$$\Pr\left[\begin{array}{c|cccc} \operatorname{verf}(m, \ \sigma_{fin}, \ \Lambda.pk) &=& 1 & \tilde{\sigma_A} \leftarrow \operatorname{signPrt}(m, \ sk_A, \ k_A, \ \Lambda) \\ \wedge & & \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \operatorname{signPrt}(m, \ sk_B, \ k_B, \ \Lambda) \\ \wedge & & \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \operatorname{adaptSig}(\tilde{\sigma_B}, \ x) \\ \wedge & & \tilde{\sigma_{fin}} \leftarrow \operatorname{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \ \tilde{\sigma_B}) \\ (X, \ x^*) \in R & & x^* \leftarrow \operatorname{extWit}(\sigma_{fin}, \ \tilde{\sigma_A}, \ \hat{\sigma_B}) \end{array}\right] = 1.$$

Additionally to the regular definition of existential unforgeability under chosen message attacks as defined for example in [lindell2017fast] or [vaudenay2006classical] we require that it is hard to produce a forged partial signature  $\tilde{\sigma}$  if the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  gets to know a valid adapted signature  $\hat{\sigma}$  w.r.t. some message m and a statement X.

**Definition 4.5** (aEUF – CMA). For the definition of aEUF – CMA -security we define the experiment forgeAptSig<sub>A</sub> for a PPT adversary A with a keypair  $(sk_A, pk_A)$ , meaning the attacker plays the role of Alice in the protocol as follows:

```
forgeAptSig_{\mathcal{A}}(n)
  2: ((sk_A, pk_A, k_A, \Lambda), (sk_B, pk_B, k_B, \Lambda)) \leftarrow \mathsf{dKeyGen}\langle 1^n, 1^n \rangle
  3: m \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{O}_{ps}(\cdot,\cdot,\cdot,\cdot)}(pk_B)
  4: (x, X) \leftarrow \operatorname{genRel}(1^n)
  5: \tilde{\sigma_A} \leftarrow \text{signPrt}(m, sk_A, k_A, \Lambda)
  6: \ \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \text{signPrt}(m, \ sk_B, \ k_B, \ \Lambda)
  7: \hat{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{adaptSig}(\tilde{\sigma_B}, x)
  8: \tilde{\sigma_A}^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{O}_{ps}(\cdot,\cdot,\cdot,\cdot)}(\tilde{\sigma_A},\hat{\sigma_B})
  9: \sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}^*, \tilde{\sigma_B})
10: return ((m) \notin \mathbb{S} \land \tilde{\sigma_A}^* \neq \tilde{\sigma_A} \land \mathsf{verf}(m, \sigma_{fin}, \Lambda.pk))
\mathcal{O}_{ps}(m, pk_A, pk_B, \Lambda)
1: (x, X) \leftarrow \operatorname{genRel}(1^n)
2: \tilde{\sigma_A} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_A, k_A, \Lambda)
3: \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_B, k_B, \Lambda)
4: \hat{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{adaptSig}(\tilde{\sigma}, x)
5: \sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \hat{\sigma_B})
6: \quad \mathbb{S} := \mathbb{S} \cup \{m\}
7: return (\sigma_{fin}, X)
```

The adapted signature scheme  $\Phi_{Apt}$  is called aEUF - CMA -secure if

$$\Pr[\mathsf{forgeAptSig}_{\mathcal{A}}(n) \ = \ 1] \ \leq \ \mathsf{negl}(n)$$

**Definition 4.6** (Witness Extractability ). Informally the Witness Extractability property holds for an adapted signature scheme  $\Phi_{Apt}$  computed for the statement X when we

can always extract the witness (x, X) from the final signature  $\sigma_{fin}$ , given the partial signatures of the participants. To formalize this statement we describe an experiment  $\mathsf{aExtrWit}_{\mathcal{A}}$  for a PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  with a keypair  $(sk_B, pk_B)$ , meaning the attacker plays the role of Bob in the protocol.

```
aExtrWit_{\mathcal{A}}(n)

1: \mathbb{S} := \emptyset

2: ((sk_A, pk_A, k_A, \Lambda), (sk_B, pk_B, k_B, \Lambda)) \leftarrow \mathsf{dKeyGen}\langle 1^n, 1^n \rangle

3: (m, (x, X) \in R) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{O}_{ps}(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot)}(pk_A)

4: \tilde{\sigma_A} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_A, k_A, \Lambda)

5: \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_B, k_B, \Lambda)

6: (\hat{\sigma_B}, \sigma_{fin}) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{O}_{ps}(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot)}(pk_B)

7: x^* \leftarrow \mathsf{extWit}(\sigma_{fin}, \tilde{\sigma_A}, \hat{\sigma_B})

8: \mathbf{return} \ (m \notin \mathbb{S} \land (X, x^*) \notin R \land \mathsf{verf}(m, \sigma_{fin}, \Lambda.pk))

\mathcal{O}_{ps}(m, pk_A, pk_B, \Lambda)

1: \mathbb{S} := \mathbb{S} \cup m

2: \tilde{\sigma_A} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_A, k_A, \Lambda)

3: \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_B, k_B, \Lambda)

4: \sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \tilde{\sigma_B})

5: \mathbf{return} \ \sigma_{fin}
```

In order to satisfy witness extractability the following must hold:

$$\Pr[\mathsf{aExtrWit}_A(n) = 1] \le \mathsf{negl}(n)$$

#### 4.2 Schnorr-based instantiation

We start by providing a general instantiation of a signature scheme (see definition 3.2): We assume we have a group  $\mathbb{G}$  with prime p, H is a secure hash function as defined in definition 3.3 and  $m \in \{0,1\}^*$  is a message.

- $(sk, pk) \leftarrow \text{keyGen}(1^n)$ : The keygen function creates a keypair (sk, pk), the public key can be distributed to the verifier(s) and the secret key has to be kept private.
- $\sigma \leftarrow \text{sign}(m, sk)$ : The signing function creates a signature consisting of a variable s and R which is a commitment to the secret nonce k used during the signing process. As an input it takes a message m and the secret key sk of the signer.

Figure 4.1: Schnorr Signature Scheme as first defined in [schnorr1989efficient]

•  $\{1,0\} \leftarrow \mathsf{verf}(m, \sigma, pk)$ : The verification function allows a verifier knowing the signature  $\sigma$ , message m and the provers public key pk to verify the signatures validity.

A concrete implementation can be seen in figure 4.1. The signature scheme is called schnorr signature scheme, first defined in [schnorr1989efficient] and is widely employed in many cryptography systems. Correctness of the scheme is easy to derive. As s is calculated as  $k + e \cdot sk$ , when generator g is raised to s, we get  $g^{k+e+sk}$  which we can transform into  $g^k \cdot g^{sk+e}$ , and finally into  $R \cdot pk^e$  which is the same as the right side of the equation.

From the regular schnorr signature we now provide an instantiation for the two-party case defined in definition 4.1. Note that this two-party variant of the scheme is what is currently implemented in the mimblewimble-based cryptocurrencies and will provide a basis from which we will build our adapted scheme.

First we define a auxiliary function setupCtx to use for the instantion:

```
 \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline \mathbf{setupCtx}(\Lambda,\ pk_A,\ R_A) \\ \hline 1: \quad \Lambda.pk \ := \ \Lambda.pk \ \cdot \ pk_A \\ 2: \quad \Lambda.R \ := \ \Lambda.R \ \cdot \ R_A \\ 3: \quad \mathbf{return}\ \Lambda \\ \hline \end{array}
```

This function helps the participents to setup and update the signature context shared between them. In figure 4.2 we show a concrete instantiation of the protocol and functions. In dKeyGen Alice and Bob will each randomly chose their secret key and nonce. They further require to create a zero-knowledge proof attesting to the fact that they have

generated their key before any message was exchanged. This is essential for the scheme to achieve EUF-CMA as described by Lindell et al. [lindell2017fast].

In dKeyGen Alice will initially setup the signature context and send it to Bob, together with her public and zk-proof. Bob verifies the proof (and exits if it is invalid). He will proceed by adding his parameters to the signature context and send it back to Alice, together with his public key and zk-proof, which Alice will verify.

signPrt and vrfPt are generally similiar to the instantiation of the normal schnorr signature scheme. Note however that for computing the schnorr challenge e the input into the hash function will be the combined public key pk and combined nonce commitment R, which the participants can read from the context object  $\Lambda$ . This has the effect that the partial signature itself are not yet a valid signature (neither under pk nor under  $pk_A$  or  $pk_B$ ). This is because to be valid under pk the partial signatures are missing the s values from the other participants. They are also not valid under the partial public keys  $pk_A$  or  $pk_B$  because the schnorr challenge is computed already with the combined values. There we have to introduce the slightly adjusted vrfPt to be able to verify specifically the partial signatures.

We further show in figure 4.3 how Alice and Bob can cooperate to produce a final signature which fulfills Correctness as defined in definition 3.2.

The final signature is a valid signature to the message m with the composite public key  $pk := pk_A \cdot pk_B$ . A verifier knowing the signed message m, the final signature  $\sigma_{fin}$  and the composite public key pk can now verify the signature using the regular verf procedure.

In figure 4.4 we further provide a schnorr-based instantiation for the fixed witness adapted signature scheme as defined in definition 4.2.

adaptSig will add the secret witness x to the s value of the signature, this means we will not be able to verify the adapted signature using vrfPt anymore. Therefore we introduce verifyAptSig which takes as additional parameter the statement X which will be included in the verifiers equation. Now the function verifies not only validity of the portial signature, but also that it indeed has been adapted with the witness value x, being the discrete logarithm of X. After obtaining  $\sigma_{fin}$ , we can then cleverly unpack the secret x, which is shown in the aExtrWit $_A$  function.

Again in figure 4.5 we show another example interaction between Alice and Bob creating a signature  $\sigma_{fin}$  for the composite public key  $pk := pk_A \cdot pk_B$  while Bob will hide his secret x which Alice can extract after the signing process has completed. One thing to note is that in this protocol only Bob is able to call finSig to create the final signature. This is because the function requires Bobs unadapted partial signature  $\tilde{\sigma_B}$  as input, which Alice does not know. (She only knows Bobs adapted variant). Therefore one further interaction is needed to send the final signature to Alice.

```
dKeyGen\langle 1^n, 1^n\rangle
 1: Alice
                                                                                                     Bob
 2: sk_A \leftarrow \$ \mathbb{Z}_n^*
                                                                                                      sk_B \leftarrow \$ \mathbb{Z}_n^*
 3: k_A \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*
                                                                                                      k_B \leftarrow \$ \mathbb{Z}_p^*
 4: pk_A := g^{sk_A}
                                                                                                     pk_B := g^{sk_B}
 5: R_A := g^{k_A}
                                                                                                     R_B := g^{k_B}
 6: st_A := \exists sk_A \ s.t. \ g^{sk_A} = pk_A
                                                                                                     st_B := \exists sk_B \ s.t. \ g^{sk_B} = pk_B
 7: \pi_A \leftarrow \mathsf{P}_{NIZK}(sk_A, st_A)
                                                                                                     \pi_B \leftarrow \mathsf{P}_{NIZK}(sk_B, st_B)
 8: \Lambda := \langle pk := 1_p, R := 1_p \rangle
 9: \Lambda \leftarrow \mathsf{setupCtx}(\Lambda, pk_A, R_A)
                                                                      \Lambda, pk_A, \pi_A
10:
                                                                                                     if V_{NIZK}(\pi_A) = 0
11:
                                                                                                         \mathbf{return} \perp
12:
13:
                                                                                                      \Lambda \leftarrow \mathsf{setupCtx}(\Lambda, pk_B, R_B)
                                                                      \Lambda, pk_B, \pi_B
14:
15: if V_{NIZK}(\pi_B) = 0
            return \perp
17: return (sk_A, pk_A, k_A, \Lambda)
                                                                                                     return (sk_B, pk_B, k_B, \Lambda)
signPrt(m, sk_A, k_A, \Lambda)
                                                    \mathsf{vrfPt}(\tilde{\sigma_A},\ m,\ pk_A)
                                                                                                        \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \ \tilde{\sigma_B})
1: (R, pk) \leftarrow \Lambda
                                                    1: (s_A, R_A, \Lambda) \leftarrow \tilde{\sigma_A}
                                                                                                     1: (s_A, R_A, \Lambda) \leftarrow \tilde{\sigma_A}
                                                    2: (pk, R) \leftarrow \Lambda
2: R_A := g^{k_A}
                                                                                                     2: (s_B, R_B, \Lambda) \leftarrow \tilde{\sigma_B}
                                                    3: e := H(m || R || pk)
3: \quad e := \mathsf{H}(m \mid\mid R \mid\mid pk)
                                                                                                        3: (pk, R) \leftarrow \Lambda
                                                    4: return g^{s_A} \stackrel{?}{=} R_A \cdot pk_A^e 4: s := s_A + s_B
4: \quad s_A := k_A + sk_A \cdot e
                                                                                                        5: \sigma_{fin} := (s, R)
5: return \tilde{\sigma_A} := (s_A, R_A, \Lambda)
                                                                                                        6: return \sigma_{fin}
```

Figure 4.2: Two Party Schnorr Signature Scheme

Figure 4.3: Two Party Schnorr Signature Scheme Interaction

Figure 4.4: Fixed Witness Adaptor Schnorr Signature Scheme

Alice

Public Parameters:  $m, 1^n$  $((sk_A, pk_A, k_A, \Lambda), (sk_B, pk_B, k_B, \Lambda)) \; \leftarrow \; \mathsf{dKeyGen} \langle \mathit{1}^{\, n}, \; \mathit{1}^{\, n} \rangle$  $\tilde{\sigma_A} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_A, k_A, \Lambda)$  $(x, X) \leftarrow \operatorname{genRel}(1^n)$  $\tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_B, k_B, \Lambda)$  $\hat{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{adaptSig}(\tilde{\sigma_B}, x)$  $\hat{\sigma_B}, X$  $\mathsf{verifyAptSig}(\hat{\sigma_B},\ m,\ pk_B,\ X) \stackrel{?}{=} 1$  $\mathsf{vrfPt}(\tilde{\sigma_A},\ m,\ pk_A) \stackrel{?}{=} 1$  $\tilde{\sigma_A}$  $\sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \tilde{\sigma_B})$  $\sigma_{fin}$  $x \leftarrow \mathsf{extWit}(\sigma_{fin}, \ \tilde{\sigma_A}, \ \tilde{\sigma_B})$ 

Figure 4.5: Fixed Witness Adaptor Schnorr Signature Interaction

#### 4.2.1 Correctness & Security

We now prove that the outlined schnorr-based instantiation is correct, i.e. Adaptor Signature Correctness holds, as well as secure with regards to the definition 4.3.

#### 4.2.2**Adaptor Signature Correctness**

To prove that Adaptor Signature Correctness holds we have 3 statements to prove, first we prove that  $\operatorname{verf}(m, \sigma_{fin}, \Lambda.pk) \stackrel{?}{=} 1$  holds in our schnorr-based instantiation of the signature scheme, whereas  $\Lambda$  is setup such that  $pk = pk_A \cdot pk_B$ .

*Proof.* For this prove we assume the setup already specified in definition 4.4. The proof is by showing equality of the equation checked by the verifier of the final signature by continuous substitutions in the left side of equation:

$$g^s = R \cdot pk^e \tag{4.1}$$

Bob

$$g^{s_A} \cdot g^{s_B} \tag{4.2}$$

$$g^{s_A} \cdot g^{s_B} \tag{4.2}$$

$$g^{k_A + e \cdot sk_A} \cdot g^{k_B + e \cdot sk_B} \tag{4.3}$$

$$g^{k_A} \cdot pk_A^e \cdot g^{k_B} \cdot pk_B^e \tag{4.4}$$

$$R_A \cdot pk_A^e \cdot R_B \cdot pk_B^e \tag{4.5}$$

$$R \cdot pk^e = R \cdot pk^e \tag{4.6}$$

$$1 = 1 \tag{4.7}$$

It remains to prove that with the same setup  $\operatorname{verifyAptSig}(\hat{\sigma_B}, m, pk_B, X) \stackrel{?}{=} 1$  and  $(X, x^*) \in R \text{ hold.}$ 

$$\mathsf{verifyAptSig}(\hat{\sigma_B},\ m,\ pk_B,\ X) \stackrel{?}{=} 1$$

The proof is by continuous substitutions in the equation checked by the verifier:

$$g^{\hat{\sigma_B}} = R_B \cdot pk_B^e \cdot X \tag{4.8}$$

$$g^{\tilde{\sigma_B} + x} \tag{4.9}$$

$$g^{\hat{\sigma_B}} = R_B \cdot pk_B^e \cdot X \tag{4.8}$$

$$g^{\tilde{\sigma_B} + x} \tag{4.10}$$

$$g^{k_B + sk_B \cdot e + x} \tag{4.11}$$

$$g^{k_B} \cdot g^{sk_B \cdot e} + g^x \tag{4.11}$$

$$R_B \cdot pk_B^e \cdot X = R_B \cdot pk_B^e \cdot X \tag{4.12}$$

$$1 = 1 \tag{4.13}$$

We now continue to prove the last equation required:

$$((X, x^*) \in R)$$

We do this by showing that x is calculated correctly in extWit:

$$x := \hat{s} - (s - s_A) \tag{4.14}$$

$$\hat{s} - ((s_A + s_B) - s_A) \tag{4.15}$$

$$s_B + x - (s_B)$$
 (4.16)

$$x := x \tag{4.17}$$

(4.18)

Secure Adaptor Signature Scheme

In order to prove the security of the scheme we need to provide a proof that both aEUF – CMA and Witness Extractability hold in our instantiation. To perform the proof we must first recall the regular definition of EUF – CMA given for regular schnorr signatures. [schnorr1989efficient] For that we define the game forgeSig<sub>A</sub>:

$\boxed{ \frac{forgeSig_{\mathcal{A}}(n)}{} }$	$\mathcal{O}_s$ (	(m, pk)
1: $\mathbb{S} \leftarrow \emptyset$ 2: $(sk, pk) \leftarrow \text{keyGen}(1^n)$ 3: $(m, \sigma) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{O}_s(\cdot, \cdot)}$ 4: $\mathbf{return} ((m) \not\in \mathbb{S} \land \mathbf{verf}(m, \sigma, pk))$	2:	$\begin{array}{l} \sigma \; \leftarrow \; sign(m,\; sk) \\ \mathbb{S} \; := \; \mathbb{S} \; \cup \; \{m\} \\ \mathbf{return} \; \sigma \end{array}$

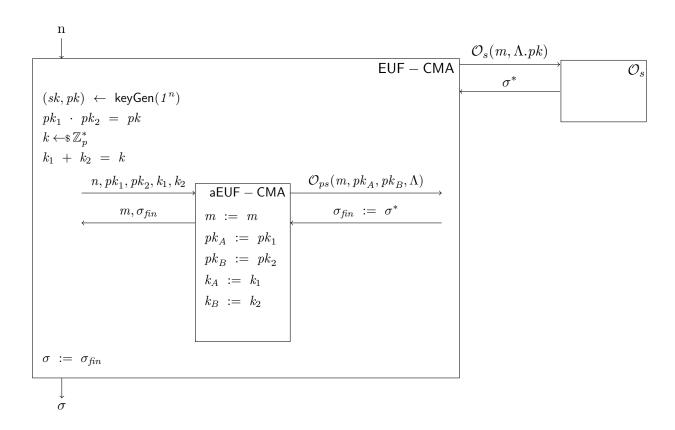


Figure 4.6: Reduction from aEUF - CMA to EUF - CMA

 $\mathsf{EUF} - \mathsf{CMA} \ \operatorname{holds} \ \operatorname{if} \Pr[\mathsf{forgeSig}_{\mathcal{A}}(n) = 1] \le \mathsf{negl}(n).$ 

Proof. We proof aEUF – CMA holds by providing a black box reduction from aEUF – CMA to EUF – CMA of schnorr signatures. Intuitively if we suppose there exists a PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  that wins the forgeAptSig $_{\mathcal{A}}$  game with probability 1, then  $\mathcal{A}$  will also be able to win the forgeSig $_{\mathcal{A}}$  game with the same probability, which leads us to a contradiction. This can be achieved by splitting up the public key chosen by the challenger in the forgeSig $_{\mathcal{A}}$  game into  $pk_1$  and  $pk_2$  and then running the forgeAptSig $_{\mathcal{A}}$  game using the two split keys. Since the signing oracle in aEUF – CMA and Witness Extractability both provide a signature valid unter the composite of the two public keys, we can simulate the oracle queried by the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  simply by forwarding the query to the EUF – CMA oracle with the original unsplit version of the public key. The output of the forgeAptSig $_{\mathcal{A}}$  game will be a forged final signature valid under the combined public key of  $pk_1$  and  $pk_2$  which we can then use to win the forgeSig $_{\mathcal{A}}$  game. See figure 4.6 for the black-box reduction.

In a very similar way we can provide a reduction from Witness Extractability to EUF - CMA . Again if we suppose there exists a PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  able to win the aExtrWit $_{\mathcal{A}}$  game with

probability 1, then  $\mathcal A$  will always be able to win the forgeSig $_{\mathcal A}$ , leading to a contradiction. Similiar to the previous proof the adversary  $\mathcal A$  splits up the secret key pk computed during the forgeSig $_{\mathcal A}$  game into  $pk_1$  and  $pk_2$  to use them in the aExtrWit $_{\mathcal A}$ . The forged final signature  $\sigma_{fin}$  can then be used to win the forgeSig $_{\mathcal A}$  game. As the black-box reduction is the same as before we again refer to figure 4.6 to see the details.

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In this section, we will define Mimblewimble transactions and security properties which must hold for such a transaction system. The formalizations will be similar to those found by Fuchsbauer et al. in [fuchsbauer2019aggregate]. However, we will only focus on the transaction protocol (transferring value from one or many parties to one or many parties), the notions of transaction aggregation, coin minting and adding transaction to the main ledger also discussed in [fuchsbauer2019aggregate] will not be topic of this formalization, as they are not relevant building blocks for the proposed Atomic Swap protocol.

However, as an extension to the regular transaction protocol transferring value from one sender to a receiver we will define two further protocols. The first of them titled Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme will provide additional functions to create and spend coins owned by two parties instead of just one. The second extended definition is called Adapted Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme and will allow the receiver of a coin to hide a secret witness value x in his signature, in a way that the sender (or the senders) can redeem this secret after the protocol has completed.

We will proceed by providing an instantiation of the three transactions schemes which can be implemented and deployed on a Mimblewimble based Cryptocurrency such as Beam or Grin. Furthermore we provide proofs that the schemes are correct and secure with regards to the defined security properties.

Finally, we define a Atomic Swap protocol from these building blocks, allowing two parties to securely and trustlessly swap funds from a Mimblewimble blockchain with those on another blockchain, such as Bitcoin.

### 5.1 Definitions

As we have already discussed in section 3.3.3 for the creation of a transaction in Mimblewimble, it is immanent that both the sender and receiver collaborate and exchange messages via a secure channel. To construct the transaction protocol we assume that we have access to a two-party signature scheme  $\Phi_{MP}$  as defined in definition 4.1, a zero-knowledge Rangeproofs system  $\Pi$  such as Bulletproofs, as described in section 3.3.2 and a homomorphic commitment scheme COM as defined in definition 3.5 such as Pedersen Commitments 3.6.

Fuchsbauer et al. have defined three procedures Send, Rcv and Ldgr with regards to the creation of a transaction. Send called by the sender will create a pre-transaction, Rcv takes the pre-transaction and adds the receivers output and Ldgr (again called by the sender) publishes the final transaction to the blockchain ledger. As we have already pointed out in this thesis we won't discuss the transaction publishing phase therefore we will not cover the functionality of the Ldgr procedure, instead we introduce two functions finTx and verfTx. finTx can be called by the transaction sender to finalize a pre-transaction into final valid transaction, which then could be broadcast with a node connected to the blockchain. The verfTx function is called by nodes (acting as public verifiers) on the blockchain verifying the validity of the transaction, before including them in a block.

**Definition 5.1** (Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme). A Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme  $MW[COM, \Phi_{MP}, \Pi]$  with commitment scheme COM, two-party signature scheme  $\Phi_{MP}$ , and rangeproof system  $\Pi$  consist of the following tupel of procedures:

$$MW[COM, \Phi_{MP}, \Pi] := (spendCoins, recvCoins, finTx, verfTx)$$

- $(ptx, (sk_A, k_A)) \leftarrow \text{spendCoins}([\mathcal{C}_{inp}], [r], p, v)$ : The spendCoins algorithm is a DPT function called by the sending party to initiate the spending of some input coins. As input it takes a list of coins  $[\mathcal{C}_{inp}]$  which should be spent, the respective keys [r] to the input coins and a value p which should be transferred to the receiver as well as v which is the total value stored in the input coins. It outputs a pre-transaction ptx which can be sent to a receiver, as well as the senders signing key and secret nonce  $(sk_A, k_A)$ .
- $(ptx, r_B) \leftarrow \text{recvCoins}(ptx, p)$ : The receiveCoins algorithm is a DPT function called by the receiver and takes as input a pre-transaction ptx and a fund value p. It will construct the receivers output coin and output a modified pre-transaction ptx together a blinding factor  $r_B$ , which the receiver might use at a later point to again spend this output.

- $tx \leftarrow \text{finTx}(ptx, sk_A, k_A)$ : The finalize algorithm is a DPT function again called by the transaction sender that takes as input a pre-transaction ptx and the senders signing key  $sk_A$  and nonce  $k_A$ . The function will output a finalized transaction tx, which can be published to the blockchain.
- $\{1,0\} \leftarrow \text{verfTx}(tx)$ : The transaction verification algorithm is a DPT function which can be called by a public verifier and takes as input a transaction tx. It outputs either 1 on verification success or 0 otherwise.

We say a Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme is correct if the verification algorithm verfTx returns 1 if and only if the transaction is well balanced and its signature is valid. More formally:

**Definition 5.2** (Transaction Scheme Correctness). For any list of input coins  $[C_{inp}]$  with total value v and blinding factors [r] and a transaction fund value p with  $p \leq v$  the following must hold:

$$\Pr\left[\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{verfTx}(tx) \ = \ 1 \ \left| \begin{array}{c} (ptx,(sk_A,k_A)) \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{spendCoins}([\mathcal{C}_{inp}],[r],p,v) \\ (ptx^*,r_B) \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{recvCoins}(ptx,p) \\ tx \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{finTx}(ptx^*,sk_A,k_A) \end{array} \right] = 1.$$

**Definition 5.3** (Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme). An extended Mimblewimble transaction scheme  $MW_{ext}[COM, \Phi_{MP}, \Pi]$  is an extension to MW with the following two procedures:

 $MW_{ext}[COM, \Phi_{MP}, \Pi] := MW[COM, \Phi_{MP}, \Pi] \mid\mid (\mathsf{dSpendCoins}, \mathsf{dRecvCoins}, \mathsf{dFinTx})$ 

- $((ptx, (sk_A, k_A)), (ptx, (sk_C, k_C)))$  $\leftarrow$  dSpendCoins $\langle ([\mathcal{C}_{inp}], [r_A], p, v), ([\mathcal{C}_{inp}], [r_C], p, v) \rangle$ : The distributed coin spending algorithm takes as input a list of input coins, as well as a list of blinding factors from each Alice and Carol, and the to be transferred value p and total value of input coins v. Note that for each provided input coin  $\mathcal{C}_{inp}$  the blinding factor is composed by combining the shares from Alice and Carol like  $r := r_A + r_C$ .
- $((ptx, r_B^*), (ptx, r_C)) \leftarrow dRecvCoins\langle (ptx, p), (ptx, p)\rangle$ : The distributed coin receive procedure takes as input a pre-transaction ptx and a value p which should be transferred during the course of the transaction. The distributed algorithm will generate a output coin owned by both Alice and Carol. (each owning a share of the key). The output will be similar to the single party version a updated pre-transaction ptx and the respective shares of the blinding factor.
- $tx \leftarrow \mathsf{dFinTx}((ptx, sk_A, k_A), (ptx, sk_C, k_C))$ : The distributed finalized transaction protocol has to be used if we are creating a transaction spending a shared coin (i.e. the transaction was created with the  $\mathsf{dSpendCoins}$  algorithm). In this case we require signing information from both Alice and Carol.

Correctness is given very similar to the standard scheme:

**Definition 5.4** (Extended Transaction Scheme Correctness). For any list of input coins  $[C_{inp}]$  with total value v and split blinding factors  $([r_A], [r_C])$  and a transaction fund value p with  $p \leq v$  the following must hold:

$$\Pr\left[\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{verfTx}(tx) \ = \ 1 \end{array} \middle| \begin{array}{c} (ptx,(sk_A,k_A),(sk_C,k_C)) \ \leftarrow \\ \mathsf{dSpendCoins}\langle([\mathcal{C}_{inp}],[r_A],p,v), \ ([\mathcal{C}_{inp}],[r_C],p,v)\rangle v \\ (ptx^*,r_B) \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{dRecvCoins}\langle(ptx,p), \ (ptx,p)\rangle \\ tx \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{dFinTx}\langle(ptx^*,sk_A,k_A),(ptx^*,sk_C,k_C)\rangle \end{array}\right] = 1.$$

**Definition 5.5** (Adapted Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme). The adapted version of the extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme updates the Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme by providing a modified version of the single party receive function and the finalize transaction function.

$$MW_{ant}[COM, \Phi_{MP}, \Pi] := MW_{ext}[COM, \Phi_{MP}, \Pi] \mid\mid \mathsf{aptRecvCoins}, \mathsf{dAptFinTx}$$

- $(ptx, r_B, X) \leftarrow \mathsf{aptRecvCoins}(ptx, p, x)$ : The adapted variant of the receive function takes an additional input a secret witness value x which will be hidden in the transactions signature and extractable by the other party after the protocols completion. Additionally to the updated pre-transaction ptx and output coin blinding factor  $r_B$  it returns the statement x which can be sent to the other party, for verification.
- $((tx, x), tx) \leftarrow \mathsf{dAptFinTx}\langle (ptx, sk_A, k_A, X), (ptx, \tilde{\sigma_B}) \rangle$ : The adapted variant of the finalize transaction algorithm is a distributed protocol between the sender and receiver. Additionally to the pre-transaction ptx Alice (the sender) needs to input her signing key, nonce and the statement X received from Bob. Bob (the receiver) needs to provide the original (unadapted) partial signature  $\tilde{\sigma_B}$  as input. The protocol will output the final transaction as well as x to Alice.

Similar as before we define correctness for the adapted scheme:

**Definition 5.6** (Adapted Transaction Scheme Correctness). For any list of input coins  $[C_{inp}]$  with total value v and blinding factors [r] and a transaction fund value p with  $p \leq v$  and any witness value x the following must hold:

$$\Pr\left[\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{verfTx}(tx) \ = \ 1 \end{array} \middle| \begin{array}{c} (ptx,(sk_A,k_A)) \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{spendCoins}([\mathcal{C}_{inp}],[r],p,v) \\ (ptx^*,r_B,X) \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{aptRecvCoins}(ptx,p,x) \\ tx \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{dAptFinTx}\langle (ptx^*,sk_A,k_A,X),(ptx^*,x)\rangle \end{array} \right] = 1.$$

Resistance against inflation: We first define a security property which informally states that a transactions output value can only be less or equal to the value of its input coins (if less then the miner of the transaction can extract fees). In other words a transaction

in our definition shall only transfer existing but never generate any new value. We call this security property Inflation Resistance. In order to define this property we first have to define a cryptographic game inflate which takes as input a security parameter n and a value v which the Adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  tries to inflate.

We define the game inflate as follows, whereas a challenger creates a input coin with value v given as a parameter to the game. The adversary then chooses a value  $v^*$  with  $v^* > v$  and creates a new output coin  $C_{out}$ . The adversary wins if he can construct a valid transaction spending the challengers input coin  $C_{inp}$  to  $C_{out}$  and thereby creating new value in the total of  $v^* - v$ .

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\begin{array}{lll} &\inf(n,v)\\ \\ 1: & r \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_n^*\\ 2: & (\mathcal{C}_{inp},\pi) \leftarrow \operatorname{createCoin}(v,r)\\ 3: & (r^*,v^*) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C}_{inp},v)\\ 4: & (\mathcal{C}_{out},\pi) \leftarrow \operatorname{createCoin}(v^*,r^*)\\ 5: & tx \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C}_{inp},v,\mathcal{C}_{out})\\ 6: & \mathbf{return} \ v^* > v \ \land \ \operatorname{verfTx}(tx) = 1 \ \land \ tx.out = [\mathcal{C}_{out}] \ \land \ tx.inp = [\mathcal{C}_{inp}] \end{array}
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**Definition 5.7** (Inflation Resistence). A Mimblewimbe Transaction Scheme is called inflation resistent if for any value v in a valid range (as defined by the public parameters of the ledger), security parameter n and a PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  the following holds:

$$\Pr[\mathsf{inflate}(n, v) = 1] \leq \mathsf{negl}(n)$$

Resistance against Coin theft: In a Mimblewimble transaction scheme a coins ownership is given by the knowledge of its blinding factor r. To spend the coin the sender would also have to know the coins value v in addition to the blinding factor, however as the possible values for v in practice is restricted by the blockchains public parameters, it is trivial to guess. Therefore we assume that knowledge of the blinding factor r alone implies ownership of the coin.

We define a game stealCoin which takes as input a security parameter n and a coin  $C_{inp}$ . A PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  is given the challenge to spend the input coin given in the parameter. He wins if he can construct a valid transaction tx together with the help of a challenger spending the input coin  $C_{inp}$  and thereby transferring its value.

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**Definition 5.8** (Theft-resistance). A Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme is called theft-resistent if for any input coin  $C_{inp}$ , security parameter n and PPT adversary A the following holds:

$$\Pr[\mathsf{stealCoin}(n, \mathcal{C}_{inp}) = 1] \leq \mathsf{negl}(n)$$

Transaction indistinguishability: The third security property for a Mimblewimble Transaction System is related to transaction amounts. Due to the use of homomorphic commitments instead of plaintext values, an adversary should be unable to extract plaintext amounts from the final transaction. To formalize the property we define the game TX – IND: A PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  gets access to a transaction oracle  $\mathcal{O}_{tx}$  to which he can send two sets of values, one being the input value, the other the output value. We require all values to be in a valid range as defined by the game parameter  $v_{max}$ , furthermore we require the transaction to be balanced, so the output values can not be higher then input values. The oracle will select one of the two sets depending on the bit b chosen by the challenger and construct a transaction spending a coin with value  $v_b$  to a output on of value  $p_b$  (as well as a change coin with the remainder). From the returned transaction the adversary has to guess the value of b. If the adversary manages to chose the correct value of b he or she has won the game.

**Definition 5.9** (Transaction indistinguishability). We say Transaction Indistinguishability holds for a Mimblewimble Transaction System MW if for a PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  with

access to the transaction oracle  $\mathcal{O}_{tx}$  a security parameter n and any max value  $v_{max}$  the following must hold:

$$\Pr \left[ \mathsf{TX} - \mathsf{IND}(n, v_{max}) \ \stackrel{?}{=} \ 1 \right] \ \leq \ 0.5 \ + \ \mathsf{negl}(n)$$

### 5.2 Mimblewimble instantiation

In this section we will provide an instantiation of the transaction scheme definitions found in 5.1, 5.3 and 5.5. The instantiations can be implemented in a Cryptocurrency based on the Mimblewimble protocol such as Beam and Grin.

#### 5.2.1 Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme

First we provide an instantiation of the simplest form of a transaction in which a sender wants to transfer some value p to a receiver. For the execution of the protocol we assume to have access to a homomorphic commitment scheme such as Pedersen Commitment COM as defined in definition 3.6. Furthermore we require a Rangeproof system  $\Pi$  as defined in 3.3.2 and a two-party signature scheme  $\Phi_{MP}$  as defined in 4.1.

The make the pseudocode for the transaction protocol easier we first introduce two auxiliary functions createCoin and createTx. The coin creation function will take as input a value v and a blinding factor r, it will create and output a new coin  $\mathcal{C}$  together with a range proof  $\pi$  attesting to the statement that the coins value v is within the valid range as defined for the blockchain. The transaction creation algorithm createTx takes as input a message m, a list of input coins  $[\mathcal{C}_{inp}]$ , a list of output coins  $[\mathcal{C}_{out}]$ , a list of rangeproofs  $[\pi]$ , a signature context  $\Lambda$ , a list of commitments C and a signature  $\sigma$  and will collect the input data into a transaction object.

```
\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline {\sf createCoin}(v,r) & {\sf createTx}(m,[\mathcal{C}_{inp}],[\mathcal{C}_{out}],[\pi],\Lambda,[C],\sigma)\\ \hline 1: & \mathcal{C} \leftarrow {\sf commit}(v,r) & 1: & {\sf return}\;(\\ 2: & \pi \leftarrow {\sf ranPrf}(\mathcal{C},v,r) & 2: & m:=m,\\ 3: & {\sf return}\;(\mathcal{C},\pi) & 3: & inp:=[\mathcal{C}_{inp}],\\ & 4: & out:=[\mathcal{C}_{out}],\\ & 5: & \Pi:=[\pi],\\ & 6: & \Lambda:=\Lambda,\\ & 7: & com:=[C],\\ & 8: & \sigma:=\sigma\\ & 9: & ) \\ \hline \end{array}
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In figure 5.1 we provide an instantiation of the Mimblewimble Transction Scheme using the auxiliary functions provided before.

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In the spendCoins function the sender creates his change output coin, which is the difference between the value stored in his input coins and the value which should be transferred to a receiver. He sets up the signature context with his parameters and gets a pre-transaction ptx, as well as a signing key  $sk_A$  and secret nonce  $k_A$  as output. The pre-transaction can then be sent to a receiver. Note that this instantiation differs from the one described by Fuchsbauer et al. [fuchsbauer2019aggregate] in that the sender does not yet sign the transaction during spendCoins. This has the reason that in our definition of the Two-Party Signature Scheme 4.1 the signature context  $\Lambda$  requires to be fully setup before a partial signature can be created, therefore signing can only start at the recievers turn, after the signature context has been completed. In Fuchsbauer et al. paper it is possible to start the signing earlier, because instead of using the notion of a two-party signing protocol, they instead rely on a aggregateable signature scheme. The sender and receiver both will create their signatures which will then be aggregated into the final one. However, we find that by relying upon a two-party signature scheme instead we are closer to what is implemented in practice<sup>1</sup>. Furthermore by starting the signing process at the receivers turn we avoid a potential problem: If an adversary learns the already signed pre-transaction, before the intended receiver, the adversary would be able to steal the coins by creating his malicious output coin together with his signature, which he could then aggregate to the senders pre-transaction.

In recvCoins the receiver of a pre-transaction will verify the senders proof  $\pi_B$ , create his outputcoin  $\mathcal{C}_{out}^B$ , add his parameters to the signature context and then create his partial signature  $\sigma_B$ . The function returns an updated version of the pre-transaction ptx which can be sent back to the sender.

Now in finTx the original sender will validate the updated pre-transcation ptx sent to him by the receiver. If he finds it as valid, he will only now create his partial signature and finally finalize the two partial signatures in the final composite one, with which he can then build the final transaction.

In verfTx a public verifier will verify the range proofs for the transactions output coins. If they are found valid she will compute the so-called Excess value  $\mathcal E$  from the difference between output and input coins and use it as the public key for validating the transaction signature. If the signature is now also found to be correct the verfiier can deduce that the transaction is well-formed and valid.

### 5.2.2 Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme

First of all we define a protocol dSign which is a protocol between two-parties running the partial signature creation outlined in section 4.2, which will be used to simplify the pseudocodes of the following protocols. Note that we assume that the secret keys as well as nonces are already given as a paramter (which is the case during the transaction protocol) therefore we don't need an additional call to dKeyGen.

 $<sup>^1</sup>$ https://medium.com/@brandonarvanaghi/grin-transactions-explained-step-by-step-fdceb905a853.

```
spendCoins([\mathcal{C}_{inp}], [r_A], p, v)
 1: if p > v
 2: return \perp
 3: m := \{0,1\}^*
 4: (r_A^*, k_A) \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*
 \mathbf{5}: \quad (\mathcal{C}_{out}^{A}, \pi_{A}) \; \leftarrow \; \mathsf{createCoin}(v \; - \; p, r_{A}^{*})
 6: sk_A := r_A^* - \sum [r_A]
 7: \ \Lambda \ := \ \{pk \ := \ 1_p, R \ := \ 1_p\}
 8: \Lambda \leftarrow \mathsf{setupCtx}(\Lambda, g^{sk_A}, g^{k_A})
 9: \quad ptx \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{createTx}(m, [\mathcal{C}_{inp}], [\mathcal{C}_{out}^A], [\pi_A], \Lambda, [g^{sk_A}], \emptyset)
10: return (ptx, (sk_A, k_A))
recvCoins(ptx, p)
 1: (m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \emptyset) \leftarrow ptx
 2: if vrfRanPrf(\Pi[0], out[0]) = 0
 3: return \perp
 4: (r_B^*, k_B) \leftarrow \$ \mathbb{Z}_p^*
 5: (\mathcal{C}_{out}^B, \pi_B) \leftarrow \text{createCoin}(p, r_B^*)
 6: sk_B := r_B^*
 7: \Lambda \leftarrow \text{setupCtx}(\Lambda, g^{sk_B}, g^{k_B})
 8: \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \text{signPrt}(m, sk_B, \Lambda.pk, \Lambda.R)
 9: ptx \leftarrow \text{createTx}(m, inp, out \parallel \mathcal{C}_{out}^B, \Pi \parallel \pi_B, \Lambda, com \parallel g^{sk_B}, \tilde{\sigma_B})
10: return (ptx, r_B^*)
finTx(ptx, sk_A, k_A)
                                                                                verfTx(tx)
1: (m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \tilde{\sigma_B}) \leftarrow ptx
                                                                                1: (m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \sigma) \leftarrow tx
2: if vrfRanPrf(\Pi[1], out[1]) = 0
                                                                                2: foreach out as (i => C_{out})
                                                                                            if vrfRanPrf(\Pi[i], \mathcal{C}_{out}[i]) = 0
3:
           \mathbf{return} \perp
                                                                                 3:
4: if \operatorname{vrfPt}(\tilde{\sigma_B}, m, com[1]) = 0
                                                                                               return 0
         \mathbf{return} \perp
                                                                                5: pk := \sum out - \sum inp
\mathbf{6}: \quad \tilde{\sigma_{A}} \ \leftarrow \ \mathsf{signPrt}(m, \ sk_{A}, \ k_{A}, \ \Lambda)
                                                                                 6: return verf(\sigma, m, pk)
7: \sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \tilde{\sigma_B})
                                                                                 7:
8: tx \leftarrow \text{createTx}(m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \sigma_{fin})
9: return tx
```

Figure 5.1: Instantiation of Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme.

```
\mathsf{dSign}\langle (m, sk_A, k_A), (m, sk_B, k_B) \rangle
          Alice
                                                                                                                                  Bob
  2: \Lambda := \{pk := 1_p, R := 1_p\}
        \Lambda \leftarrow \mathsf{setupCtx}(\Lambda, g^{sk_A}, g^{k_A})
 4:
                                                                                                                                  \Lambda \leftarrow \mathsf{setupCtx}(\Lambda, g^{sk_B}, g^{k_B})
 5:
                                                                                                                                  \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_B, k_B, \Lambda)
 6:
                                                                                \tilde{\sigma_B}, \Lambda, pk_B := g^{sk_B}
 7:
          if vrfPt(\tilde{\sigma_B}, m, pk_B) = 0
               \mathbf{return} \perp
          \tilde{\sigma_A} \leftarrow \mathsf{signPrt}(m, sk_A, k_A, \Lambda)
                                                                                                 \tilde{\sigma_A}
11:
                                                                                                                                  \mathbf{if} \ \mathsf{vrfPt}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \ m, \ pk_A) \ = \ 0
12:
                                                                                                                                      return \perp
13:
                                                                                                                                  \sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \tilde{\sigma_B})
          \sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_A}, \tilde{\sigma_B})
14:
          return \sigma_{fin}
                                                                                                                                  return \sigma_{fin}
```

Figure 5.2 shows an instantiation of the dSpendCoins function of the Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme. We have one array of input coins which keys are shared between two parties Alice and Carol, which should be spent. We use Carol here to not confuse this party with the receiver, which we previously called Bob. Although Carol and B could be the same person, they not necessarily have to be.

The protocol starts with both Alice and Carol creating her spend outputs with values  $v_A$  and  $v_C$ . Alice then creates the initial pre-transaction ptx and sends it to Carol who verifies Alice's output, adds her outputs and parameters and sends back ptx, which Alice verifies. The protocol returns ptx to both parties, which can then be transmitted to the receiver by any of the two parties, as well as the secret signing information  $(sk_A, k_A)$ ,  $(sk_C, k_C)$ . Note that when using this protocol to spend coins that finTx also turns into a protocol, using dSign instead of signPrt for signature generation. (Apart from that finTx remains unchanged)

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\mathsf{dSpendCoins}\langle([\mathcal{C}_{inp}],[r_A],p,v_A),\ ([\mathcal{C}_{inp}],[r_C],p,v_A)\rangle v_C
                                                                                                                                       C
  2: \quad \mathbf{if} \ p > v
                                                                                                                                      if p > v
              return \perp
                                                                                                                                          {f return}\ ot
  4: m := \{0,1\}^*
  5: (r_A^*, k_A) \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*
                                                                                                                                      (r_C^*, k_C) \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*
  \mathbf{6}: \quad (\mathcal{C}_{out}^A, \pi_A) \; \leftarrow \; \mathsf{createCoin}(v_A, r_A^*)
                                                                                                                                      (\mathcal{C}_{out}^C, \pi_C) \leftarrow \mathsf{createCoin}(v_C, r_C^*)
  7: \quad sk_A := r_A^* - \sum [r_A]
                                                                                                                                      sk_C := r_C^* - \sum [r_C]
 \begin{array}{lll} 8: & \Lambda := \{pk := \overline{1_p}, R := \overline{1_p}\} \\ 9: & \Lambda \leftarrow \mathsf{setupCtx}(\Lambda, \ g^{sk_A}, \ g^{k_A}) \end{array}
11: createTx(m, [\mathcal{C}_{inp}], [\mathcal{C}_{out}^A], [\pi_A], \Lambda, [g^{k_A}], \emptyset)
                                                                                                        ptx
12:
                                                                                                                                      (m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com) \leftarrow ptx
13:
                                                                                                                                      if vrfRanPrf(\Pi[0], out[0]) = 0
14:
                                                                                                                                          return \perp
15:
                                                                                                                                      \Lambda \leftarrow \mathsf{setupCtx}(\Lambda, g^{sk_C}, g^{k_C})
16:
                                                                                                                                      ptx \; \leftarrow \; \mathsf{createTx}(m,inp,out \; || \; \mathcal{C}^{C}_{out}, \pi \; || \; \pi_{C}, \Lambda, com \; || \; g^{k_{C}}, \emptyset)
17:
                                                                                                        ptx
18:
          if vrfRanPrf(ptx.\Pi[1], ptx.out[1]) = 0
               return \perp
20:
         return (ptx, (sk_A, k_A))
                                                                                                                                      return (ptx, (sk_C, k_C))
22:
```

Figure 5.2: Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme - dSpendCoins

### 5. Adaptor Signature Based Atomic Swaps Between Bitcoin and a Mimblewimble Based Cryptocurrency

Figure 5.3 shows an instantiation of the recvCoins function of the Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme. Calling this protocol two receivers Bob and Carol want to create a receiving shared coin  $C_{out}^{sh}$  with value p and key shares  $(r_A, r_C)$ . The protocol starts by both receivers verifing the senders output(s). Bob starts by creating a coin with fund value p and his share of the newly create blinding factor and sends it over to Carol. Carol finalizes the shared coin by adding a commitment to her blinding factor to the coin and sends it back, together with the commitment. Bob verifies validity of the updated shared coin after which the two parties engange in two two-party protocols to create their partial signature and coin rangeproof. Finally they create the updated pre-transaction ptx which can be sent back to the sender.

```
dRecvCoins\langle (ptx, p), (ptx, p)\rangle
                                                                                                                                                                                                                            Carol
  1: Bob
                                                                                                                                                                                                                            (m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \tilde{\sigma_B}) \leftarrow ptx
  2: (m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \tilde{\sigma_B}) \leftarrow ptx
  3: foreach out as (i => C_{out})
                                                                                                                                                                                                                            foreach out as (i => C_{out})
               \mathbf{if} \text{ vrfRanPrf}(\Pi[i], \mathcal{C}_{out}[i]) = 0
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                if vrfRanPrf(\Pi[i], \mathcal{C}_{out}[i]) \neq 0
               \mathbf{return} \perp
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 return \perp
  6: (r_B^*, k_B) \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*
  7: \quad (\mathcal{C}^{sh}_{out}, \cdot) \; \leftarrow \; \mathsf{createCoin}(p, r_B^*)
  8: sk_B := r_B^*
  9:
                                                                                                                                                                                                                           (r_C^*, k_C) \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*
sk_C := r_C^*
\mathcal{C}_{out}^{sh'} := \mathcal{C}_{out}^{sh} \cdot g^{sk_C}
10:
11:
12:
13:
          \textbf{if} \, \left. \mathcal{C}_{out}^{sh} \right.^{\prime} \, \neq \, \left. \mathcal{C}_{out}^{sh} \, \cdot \, g^{sk_C} \right.
                return \perp
15:
                                                                                  (\tilde{\sigma_{BC}}, pk_{BC}, \Lambda^*) \leftarrow \mathsf{dSign}\langle (m, sk_B, k_A), (m, sk_B, k_B) \rangle
16:
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         \dot{c}
                                                                                  \Lambda' \leftarrow \mathsf{setupCtx}(\Lambda, \Lambda^*.pk, \Lambda^*.k)
17:
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Mimblewimble instantiation
                                                                                  \pi_{BC} \leftarrow \mathsf{dRanPrf}\langle (\mathcal{C}_{out}^{sh}', p, sk_A), (\mathcal{C}_{out}^{sh}', p, sk_B)
18:
                                                                                  ptx \; \leftarrow \; \mathsf{createTx}(m,inp,out \; || \; \mathcal{C}_{out}^{sh}{}', \Pi \; || \; \pi_{BC}, \Lambda',com \; || \; pk_{BC}, \sigma_{BC}^{\tilde{s}})
19:
20: return ptx
                                                                                                                                                                                                                            return ptx
```

Figure 5.3: Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme - dRecvCoins

```
\mathsf{dFinTx}\langle (ptx, sk_A, k_A), (ptx, sk_C, k_C) \rangle
 1: Alice
                                                                                                                                                         Carol
         (m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \tilde{\sigma_B}) \leftarrow ptx
                                                                                                                                                         (m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \tilde{\sigma_B}) \leftarrow ptx
 3: if vrfRanPrf(\Pi[1], out[1]) = 0
                                                                                                                                                        if vrfRanPrf(\Pi[1], out[1]) = 0
                                                                                                                                                            \mathbf{return} \perp
             return \perp
 5: if \operatorname{vrfPt}(\tilde{\sigma_B}, m, com[1]) = 0
                                                                                                                                                        if vrfPt(\tilde{\sigma_B}, m, com[1]) = 0
             return \perp
                                                                                                                                                            {f return}\ ot
                                                                                 \tilde{\sigma_{AC}} \leftarrow \mathsf{dSign}\langle (m, sk_A, sk_C), (m, k_A, k_C) \rangle
 7:
 8: \sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_B}, \, \tilde{\sigma_{AC}})
                                                                                                                                                        \sigma_{fin} \leftarrow \mathsf{finSig}(\tilde{\sigma_B}, \, \tilde{\sigma_{AC}})
 9: tx \leftarrow \text{createTx}(m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \sigma_{fin})
                                                                                                                                                         tx \leftarrow \mathsf{createTx}(m, inp, out, \Pi, \Lambda, com, \sigma_{fin})
                                                                                                                                                        return tx
10: return tx
```

Figure 5.4: Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme -  $\mathsf{dFinTx}$ 

```
\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline {\rm aptRecvCoins}(ptx,p,x)\\ \hline 1: & (m,inp,out,\Pi,\Lambda,com,\emptyset) \leftarrow ptx\\ 2: & {\bf if} \ {\rm vrfRanPrf}(\Pi[0],out[0]) = 0\\ 3: & {\bf return} \perp\\ 4: & (r_B^*,k_B) \leftarrow \$\mathbb{Z}_p^*\\ 5: & (\mathcal{C}_{out}^B,\pi_B) \leftarrow {\rm createCoin}(p,r_B^*)\\ 6: & sk_B:=r_B^*\\ 7: & \Lambda \leftarrow {\rm setupCtx}(\Lambda,\ g^{sk_B},\ g^{k_B})\\ 8: & \tilde{\sigma_B} \leftarrow {\rm signPrt}(m,\ sk_B,\ \Lambda.pk,\ \Lambda.R)\\ 9: & \hat{\sigma_B} \leftarrow {\rm adaptSig}(\tilde{\sigma_B},\ x)\\ 10: & ptx \leftarrow {\rm createTx}(m,inp,out \mid\mid \mathcal{C}_{out}^B,\Pi\mid\mid \pi_B,\Lambda,com\mid\mid g^{k_B},\hat{\sigma_B})\\ 11: & {\bf return}\ (ptx,r_B^*,X)\\ \end{array}
```

Figure 5.5: Adapted Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme - aptRecvCoins.

#### 5.2.3 Adapted Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme

Figure ?? shows an instantiation of the aptRecvCoins algorithm. Before updating the pre-transaction ptx Bob adapts his partial signature with the witness value x. The procedure then returns the pre-transaction ptx containing Bobs adapted partial signature, and the statement X which is a commitment to the witness value x.

In figure ?? we show the updated distributed version of the transaction finalization protocol. Again Alice verifies the pre-transaction ptx received by Bob and then proceeds by building her own partial signature. Note that at this point Alice is not able to finalize the signature (and consequently the transaction) as she only knows Bobs adapted partial signature, but not the original one, which is needed for the finSig function. Therefore in another round of interaction Alice sends her partial signature to Bob, who will verify Alice partial signature and finally calculate the final signature, needed for the transaction. He will send over  $\sigma_{fin}$  which lets both parties construct the valid transaction as well as Alice call extWit to extract the secret witness x.

### 5.3 Atomic Swap protocol

With the outlined Adapted Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme from definition 5.5 we can now construct a Atomic Swap protocol with another Cryptocurrency. In this thesis we will explain a swap with Bitcoin, as at present Bitcoin is the most widely adopted cryptocurrency. On the Bitcoin side we construct two DPT functions (lockBtcAddress, verifyLock).

•  $a \leftarrow \text{lockBtcAddress}(pk_A, X, pk_B, t)$ : The locking address function lets Bob con-

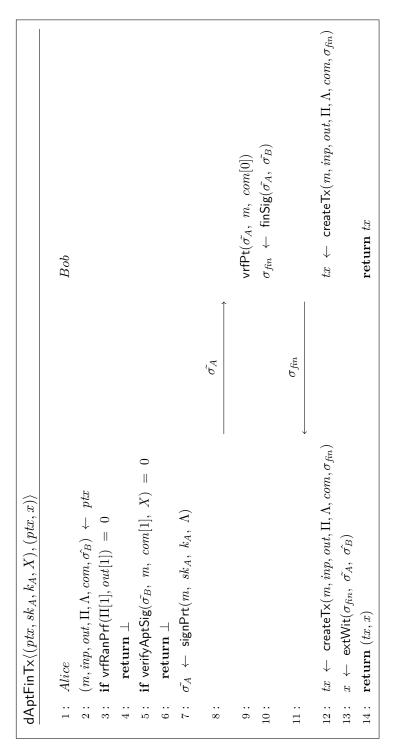


Figure 5.6: Adapted Extended Mimblewimble Transaction Scheme - dAptFinTx.

struct a Bitcoin address only spendable by Alice if she receives the discrete logrithm x of  $X = g^x$ . Additionally the function requires Bobs' public key  $pk_B$  and a timelock t (given as a block number) as input which allows Bob to reclaim his funds after some time if the atomic swap was not completed successfully. The function will create a lock output under the public key  $pk := pk_A \cdot X$  and return a Bitcoin address a. If Alice (knowing her secret key  $sk_A$ ) acquires x with  $X = g^x$  she can construct the complete secret key simply by calculating  $sk := sk_A + x$ . This construction is similiar although much simpler to the locks described by Malavolta et al. in [malavolta2019anonymous]. For a in-depth security analysis of this concept we refer the interested reader to their paper. For a concrete Bitcoin Script realizing this functionality please see section ??.

•  $\{1,0\} \leftarrow \text{verifyLock}(pk_A,2,X,p)$ : The lock verification algorithm takes as input Alices', Bobs' public keys and the statement X. The function will recompute the address the lock address a as created by lockBtcAddress and then check the Bitcoin blockchain if the value locked under this address is indeed p. Upon successfull verification the function returns 1, otherwise 0.

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