

(CHAP 3):

Anonymity vs Unlinkability: Extracting links is hard even if two connected organisations are corrupted and if users are targeted.

Minimal disclosure: Combine keys into a composite key and each element key can have masked attributes.

↳ Abuse mixing Cross-ID Credentials

↳ Prove a link existence without revealing it.

Key binding:Anonymous Credential:

→ UNLINKABILITY \Rightarrow multiple uses of the same credential cannot be linked together, nor linked to the issuance event.

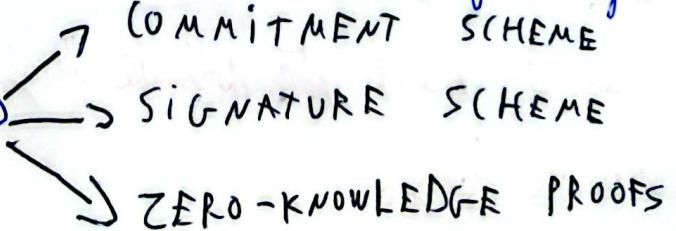
→ SELECTIVE DISCLOSURE \Rightarrow the user can prove specific attributes or properties without revealing the full credential.

→ USER CONTROLLED PRIVACY \Rightarrow the credential is stored and used by the user, the issuer cannot track when or where it is shown.

→ UNFORGEABILITY \Rightarrow only authorized issuers can create valid credentials, users cannot forge or modify attributes.

→ MINIMAL DISCLOSURE \Rightarrow $\geq k$ proofs reveal nothing beyond the truth of the statement being proven.

→ PSEUDONYM \Rightarrow Several commitments of a single secret key.

→ COMBINATION \Rightarrow 

Commitment scheme :

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Cryptographic equivalent of sealed envelope.

Two phases:

→ COMMIT : Sender chooses a message m and a commitment c . m remains secret (is sent to a receiver)

→ OPEN : Sender reveals m and receiver checks it matches c .

Security properties :

Hiding : Before opening, receiver learns nothing about m .

Binding : After committing, the sender cannot change m .

Pederson Commitment : (Based on discrete log.) $G = (g, g^a, \gamma)$

$$\text{Secret } a \in \mathbb{Z}_q \quad l = g^{a\%} \gamma$$

Commit phase : Message $m \in \mathbb{Z}_q$

$$r = \text{rand}(\mathbb{Z}_q)$$

$$c = g^m \cdot l^r \% \gamma$$

(is sent)

⇒ Alone it proves nothing, we need an issuer to make

Open phase : Reveal (m, r) (m and r are sent) $\xrightarrow{\text{Signature of it}}$
Verifier checks $c \stackrel{?}{=} g^m \cdot l^r \% \gamma$ $\xrightarrow{\text{and provide it to the receiver.}}$

Commitments alone are useless and prove nothing.

But any user

* Issuer signs it with its private key and others check it with its public key.

$$G \in \{1, 1, 1\}$$

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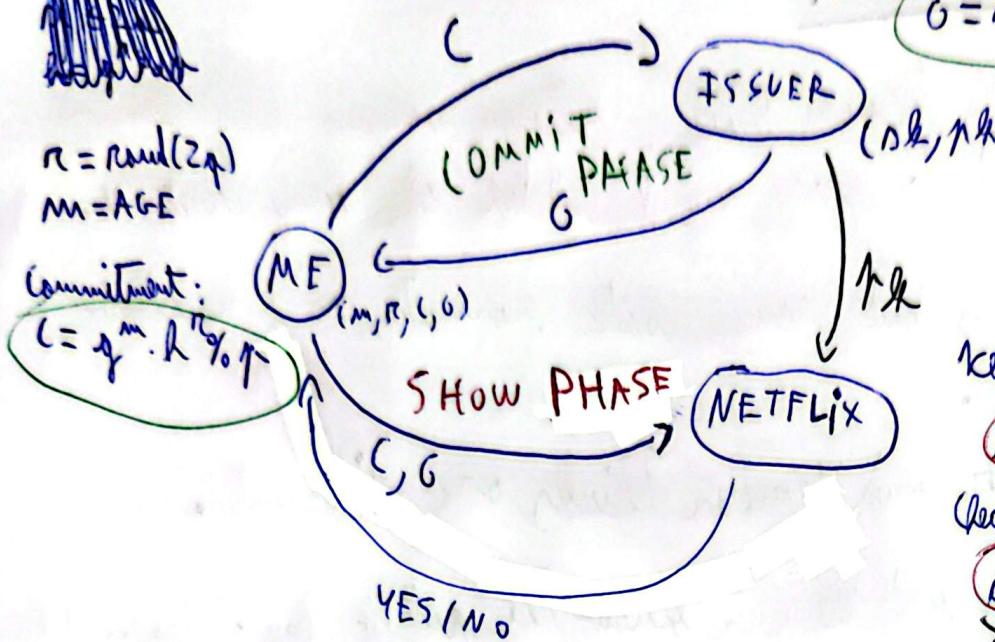
$$r = \text{rand}(2^k)$$

$$m = \text{AGE}$$

Commitment:
 $C = g^m \cdot h^r \circ \uparrow$

$$\sigma = \text{sign}(pk, C)$$

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Verify signature:
 $\text{verify}(pk, \sigma) = \text{True}$
 Check propriety $\text{age} \geq 18$:
 $\text{check}(C) = \text{True}$

Homomorphic function making conclusions on an encrypted data.

Multi-Pederson Commitment:

Same idea but we multiply different properties.

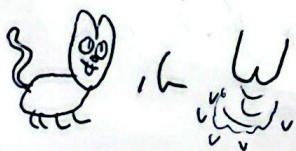
Several messages m_i where each one has its own unique generator g_i from the group $G \in \{1, 1, 1\}$.

$$\begin{cases} C = (\prod_i g_i^{m_i}) \cdot h^r \circ \uparrow = g_1^{m_1} \cdots g_m^{m_m} \cdot h^r \circ \uparrow \\ pk = (v, g_1, \dots, g_m, h) \end{cases}$$

Pseudonym, more randomization:

$$\text{New } R' = \text{rand}(2^k)$$

$$C' = (\cdot h^{R'}) = g_1^{m_1} \cdots g_m^{m_m} \cdot h^{R+R'}$$



\Rightarrow Perfect unlinkability between C and C' .

Signature $\sigma = \text{sign}_k(\cdot)$:

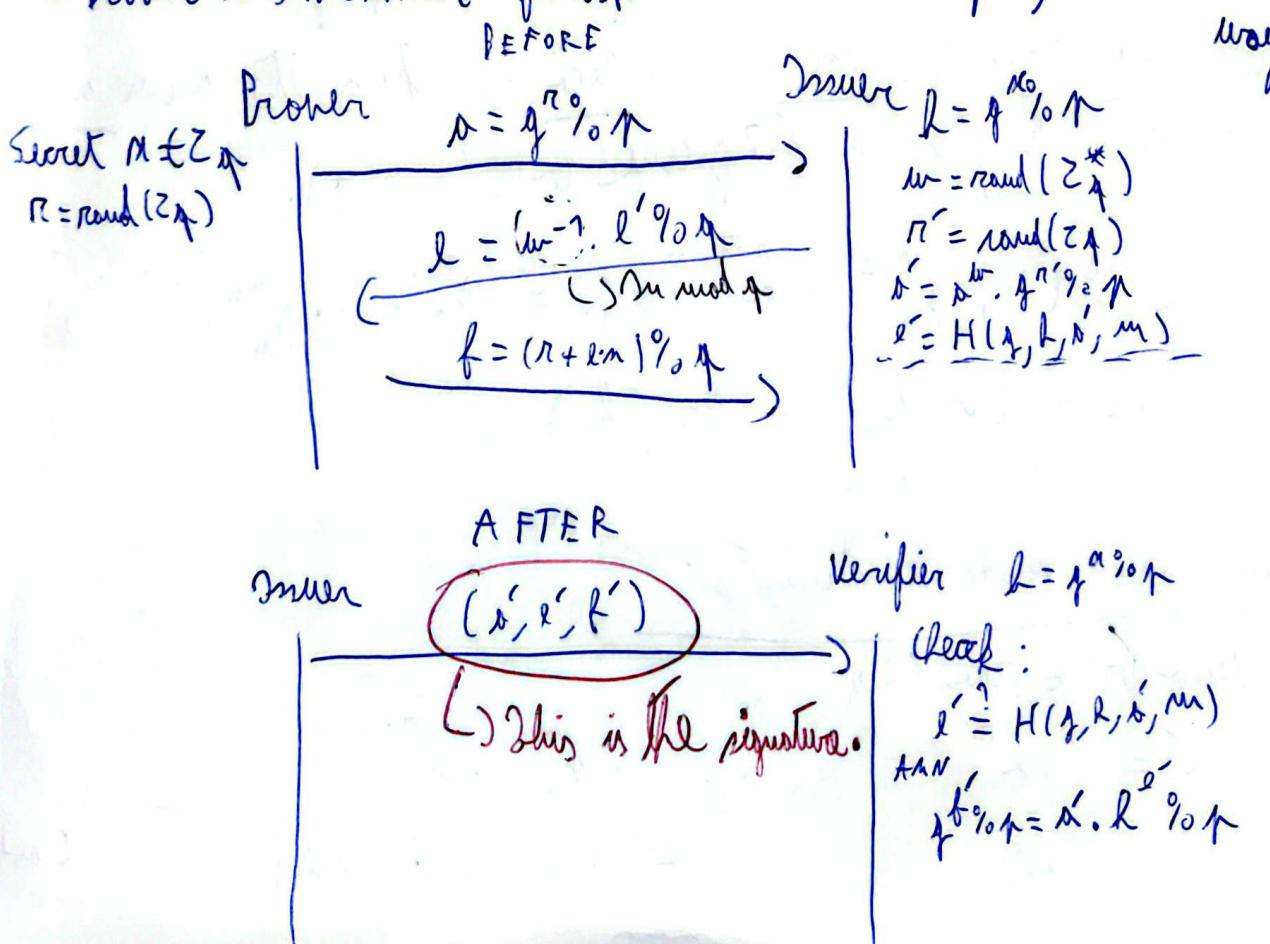
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Idea: Divertible Schnorr Proof: Allows someone else than me and more trusted to prove my knowledge of my secret x .

- Between Prover and Issuer acts normally as a classic Schnorr proof.
- Between Issuer and Verifier things are different.
- Both Issuer and Verifier know the public key of Prover (h).

Divertible Schnorr Proof: $C = (g, r, y)$

- Issuer has to be able to prove knowledge of x without ~~not~~ knowing x and without to be able to prove anything else.
- Prover lets the issuer finish Schnorr Transcripts, but in a blinded way.



Diverisible Chaum-Pederson:

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- Same idea than diverisible Schnorr.
- Diverisibility of 2 bases g_1, g_2 generating same group G .
- $\Rightarrow h_1, h_2, a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2$
- $\lambda' = H(a'_1, a'_2, h_1, h_2, m) \% p$
- We use it to sign a commitment here.
- In a commitment ($= u_1^{m_1} \cdot \dots \cdot u_l^{m_l} \cdot u_0^r \# r$), all u_i are bases of G like g , all m_i are secrets in \mathbb{Z}_p like n (and r too) so by definition c is also a base of G .

Clarification before starting :

- $d = x^n$ = Exponentiation of the commitment :

- 1) Prove knowledge of a relative to x ($\log_x(d) = a$)

- 2) Re-use or re-randomize the commitment later, while still proving knowledge of the same secret a .

- g, h are the classic bases of G , x is another base of G

- Re-randomization $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} c' = x \cdot u_0^n \\ d' = (c')^{\alpha} \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c' = x \cdot u_0^n \\ d' = x \cdot u_0^{n'} = (x')^{\alpha} = x^{\alpha} \cdot (u_0^n)^{\alpha} \end{array} \right. \quad \text{so } u_0 = u_0^{\alpha} = d \cdot u_0^{n'} = d'$

Instead of computing $(x')^{\alpha}$ requiring knowing n , precompute $v_0 = u_0^{\alpha}$ and later just multiply by $v_0^{n'}$ to get d' .

- $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} d = x^n \text{ = Original target for the proof over base } x \\ v_0 = u_0^{\alpha} \text{ = Helps compute randomized over } d' \text{ efficiently} \\ c' \rightarrow \text{Randomized} \end{array} \right.$

→ (Goal is blind / diverisible signature, not a user proving knowledge of its own secret a).

- d is a kind of public key for a based on commitment x. 3.5
- (r', λ') are re-randomized commitments / keys and (ℓ', g') a re-randomized signature (use same signature for each service but unlinkable as it seems different on each service) that the prover will provide to the verifier.
- Prover with signature proves 2 things : by my commitment x is true and the signature proves knowledge of x that is the secret of a trusted issuer.
- $\Pi = ZKPK \{ (m_1, \dots, m_l, r) : x = u_1^{m_1} \cdot \dots \cdot u_l^{m_l} \cdot u_0^r \}$
 - ↳ A lot of Schnorr proof for proving each single m_i (in the model x) with all proofs using the same random R. Proves that user knows each single commitment without revealing it.
- Values for u_0, u_1, \dots, u_l are agreed in advance as convention and are a public.