

ZK for modern authentication

How & Why to S{T}NARK our login

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ZK auth flavors

zk friendly sigs

zk-based Sig aggregation PQ ready compatible SNARK'd oAuth e-mail TLS private
passkeys
+
biometrics

MPC → ZK wallets

private policy

updateable policy

attribute based

puzzle based

ZK friendly signatures

Ziggy

"I know a secret preimage sk such that pk = H(sk)"

sig = HMAC(sk, msg)

Prove sk matches (in H and HMAC)



RedJubjub

RedDSA (variant of EdDSA) over the Jubjub zk-friendly twisted Edwards curve.



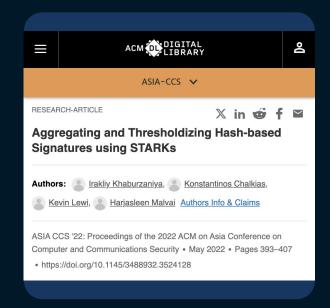
zk-based Sig Aggregation

+ threshold MPC → ZK wallets

STARKs for Sphincs

Aggregate or thresholdize PQ signatures via a PQ zk-scheme.





PQ fallback

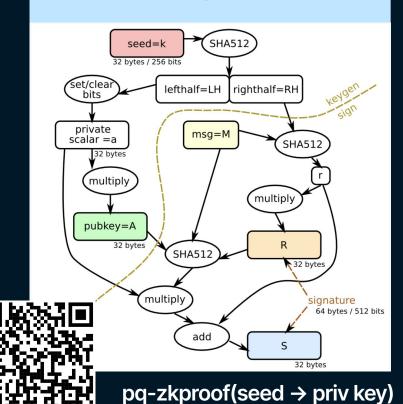
W-OTS(+) up my Sleeve

Chaum et al., then Vitalik
most private keys are the result
of hash calculations
(BIP32 mnemonic to priv key)





Is EdDSA keygen PQ-ready?



Evolution of authentication

Policy-Private ZK attribute based Auth

Admit if from CA, TX... 🔓



I have a DL from CA

ZK





ZK

I have a DL proving I am 21





Here is my Driver License



ZK attribute based Auth



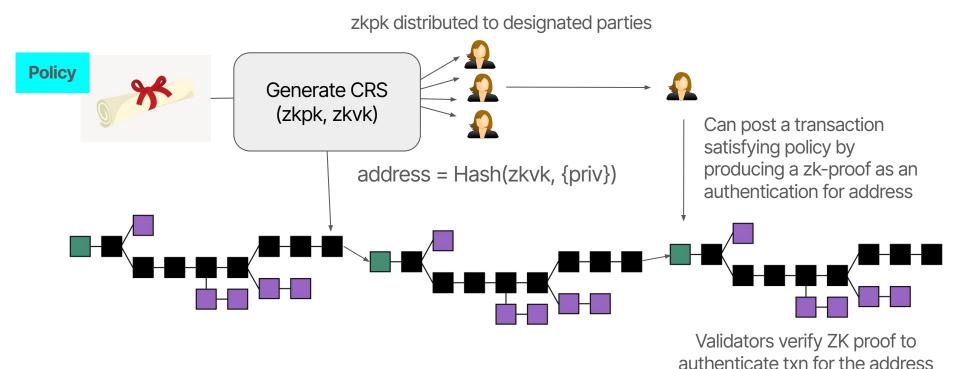
Here is my password



Attribute based Auth

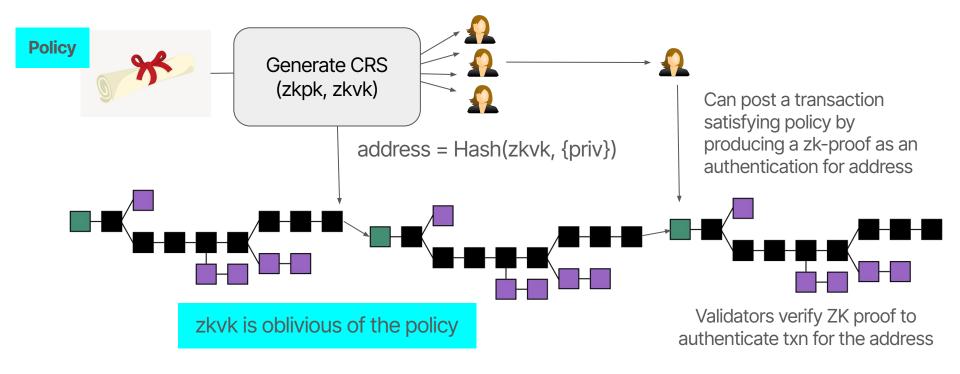
Shared secret-based Auth

ZK Authenticator on Blockchains

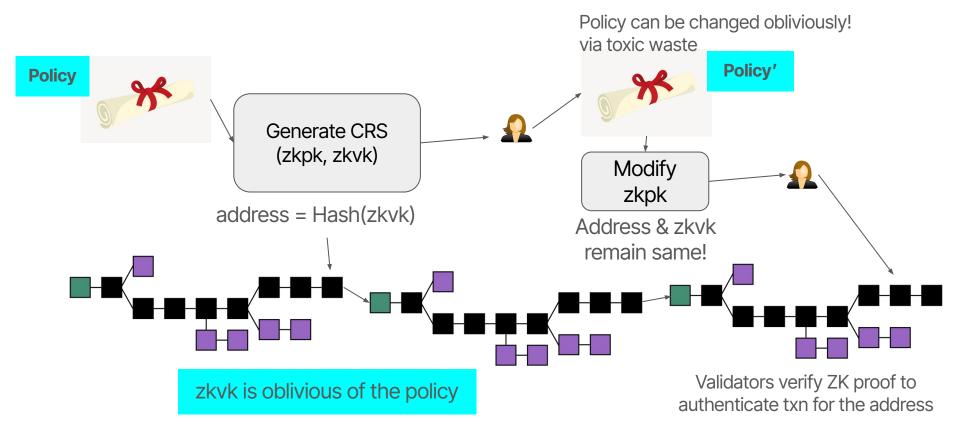


Let's prove Groth16 is NOT dead + trusted ceremony is NOT always required

Policy-Private ZK Authenticator



Dynamic Oblivious Policy-Private ZK Authenticator



asked chatGPT



What do you think is the biggest problem for the average user to adopt the blockchain technology?



Blockchain technology, despite its transformative potential, has seen challenges in widespread adoption among average users. Several factors contribute to this:





- 1. **Complexity and Understanding**: Blockchain, as a concept, is not straightforward for everyone. Terms like decentralized ledgers, consensus algorithms, and cryptographic hashing can be overwhelming. The average user often struggles to understand how blockchains work, which makes them hesitant to adopt the technology.
- 2. User Interface and Experience: Many blockchain applications and platforms still don't offer the level of user-friendliness that's typical of mainstream applications. The user interfaces can be clunky, unintuitive, or overly technical.

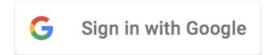
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zkLogin: OAuth2 + Zero Knowledge Proof

SNARKing your login w/ Google, Apple, FB

example Google openID JWT

```
"alg": "RS256",
  "kid": "96971808796829a972e79a9d1a9fff11cd61b1e3",
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user provided data:

We have a DIGITAL CERT over our fresh key + expiration

2nd trick before SNARKing ID-based (key-less) address

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iss = providerID
aud = walletID
sub = userID
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we could ask for email too

nonce =
eph. pubKey
+ expiration

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hash(providerID + walletID + userID + salt)

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4th trick before SNARKing zk-friendly hashing

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ADDRESS

hash(providerID + zkhash(walletID + userID + zkhash(salt)))

5th trick: SNARK-it

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nonce = eph. pubKey + expiration

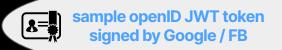
- Verify JWT correctness
- Verify openID provider's signature (RSA) over base64 of sha256(JWT)
- Verify the public key and expiration are injected into the nonce
- Verify knowledge of address pre-image and that JWT's userID is part of it.

Goal: hide JWT data, but prove you have a valid, non-expired JWT over your userID + you know the salt + you injected the eph. key into JWT.

zkLogin tricks

add **salt**

inject eph key



iss = providerID
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eph. pubKey
+ expiration



+ Zr proof

verify ZKproof

&

+

verify eph key sig

Groth16 Circuit Implementation

- Implemented in circom: 1M constraints (2^20 7 to be precise)
 - Avoided going above 1M due to ceremony dependency + proof time
 - https://github.com/sui-foundation/zklogin-circuit/tree/main
- Key operations: SHA-2 (74%), RSA signature verification (15%) and JSON parsing, Poseidon hashing, Base64, extra rules, string slicing (11%)

- Delegated prover to backend is possible
 - The prover doesn't need to be "trusted" for security thanks to the nonce embedding trick!

zkLogin properties

Native auth, cheap

Not via smart contracts, same gas cost as regular sig verification.

Geofencing

Contracts can accept accounts from particular countries or orgs.

Prove your ID

Reveal identity only when the user wants to!

Fully or Partially, i.e., prove this account is from a particular influencer or gov or some@zkproof.com

Discoverability

Send assets and tokens just by typing someone's known ID (e.g. fb_link)

Claimability

Receive assets even before onboarding!

2FA

Can be combined with other auth schemes in 1-of-2 or o 2-of-2 or any other structure. Imagine sign-in with mnemonic and/or zkLogin

Reusable

Every wallet can use it, not a vendor's privilege.

ADDRESS

hash(providerID + zkhash(walletID + userID + zkhash(salt)))





Zklogin

single-click accounts w/

- **G** Google
- **f** Facebook
- Twitch
- Slack
- **Apple**

native authenticator non-custodial *discoverable, claimable invisible wallets semi-portable, 2FA

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zkLogin paper: https://arxiv.org/abs/2401.11735