

# Zero Knowledge Proofs

## SNARKs based on Linear PCP

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# SNARKs Learned So Far

Crypto primitive	Trusted Setup	Schemes
Pairing (KZG)	✓	Plonk, Interactive Proofs, ...
Discrete-log	✗	Bulletproofs, Dory, Dark, Hyrax, Halo2, ...
Hashing	✗	Brakedown, Orion, ... (linear-time encodable code)
		Stark, Aurora, Fractal, Virgo, ... (RS code and FRI)

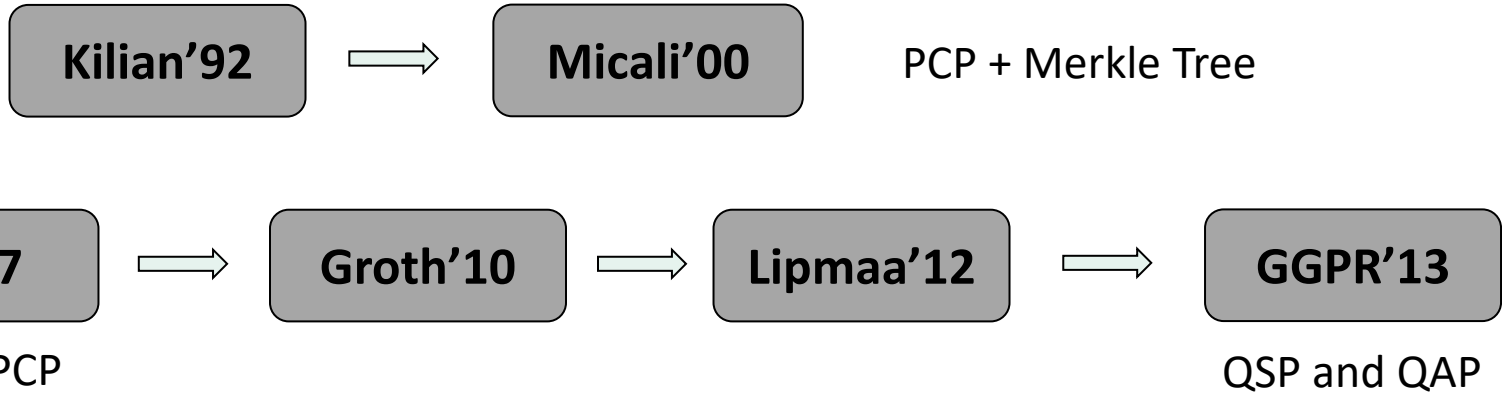
# This Lecture: SNARKs based on Linear PCP

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## Earliest Implemented SNARKs

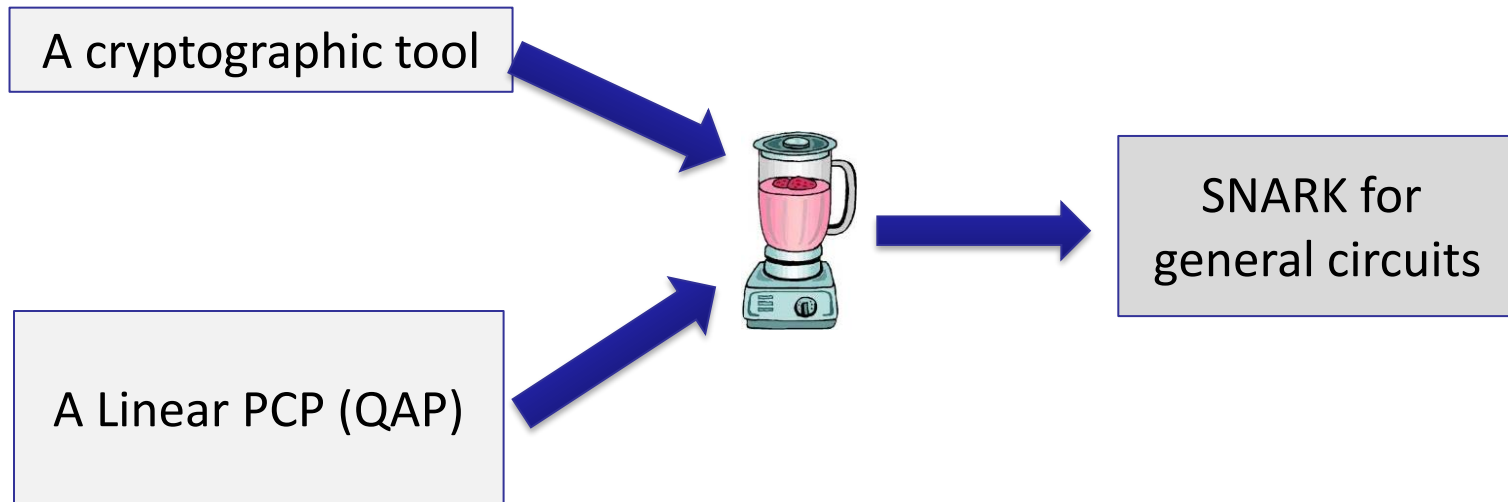
- ✓ Shortest proof size (3 elements [Groth16])
- ✓ Fast verifier (bilinear pairing)
- ✗ FFT and group exponentiations on the prover
- ✗ Circuit-specific trusted setup

# History of SNARKs



→ SBVBPW13, PGHR13, BCGTV13, BFRSBW13, BCTV14a, BCTV14b, BCGGMTV14, Groth16...  
SMBW12, SVPBBW12, BCIOP13, ...

# Paradigm for SNARK

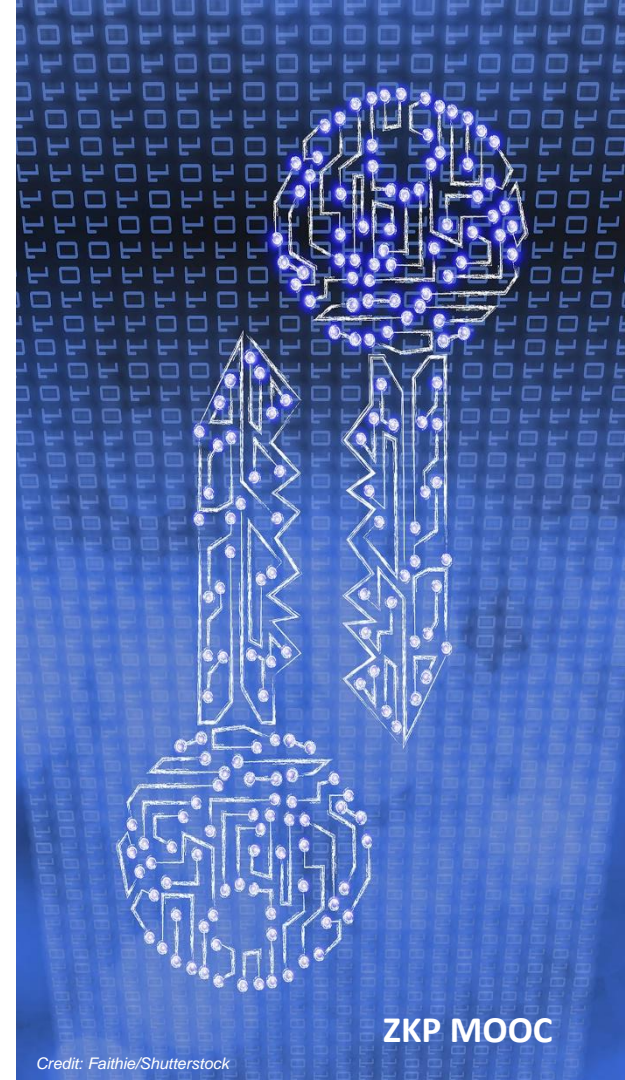


# Plan of this lecture

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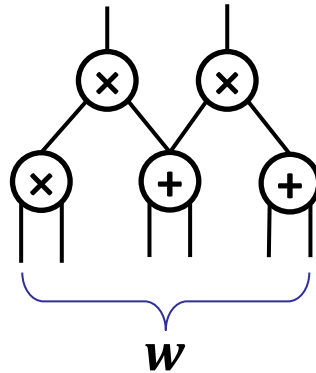
- Quadratic Arithmetic Program (QAP)
- From QAP to SNARK
- Other variants

# Quadratic Arithmetic Program (QAP)



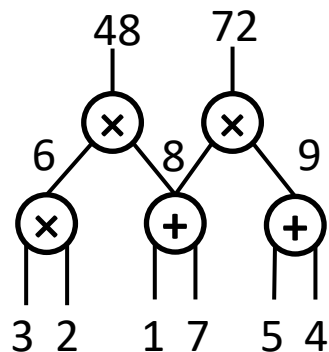
# Recall: SNARKs for circuit-satisfiability

- Given an arithmetic circuit  $C$  over  $\mathbb{F}$  and output  $y$ .
- $P$  claims to know a  $w$  such that  $C(x, w) = y$ .
- For simplicity, let's take  $x$  to be the empty input.





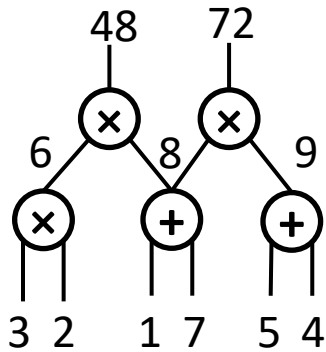
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- Interactive proof (lecture 4, slide 76):
  - value of every gate
- Plonk (lecture 5, slide 42):
  - left input, right input, output of every gate
- QAP:
  - input + output of every **multiplication gate**

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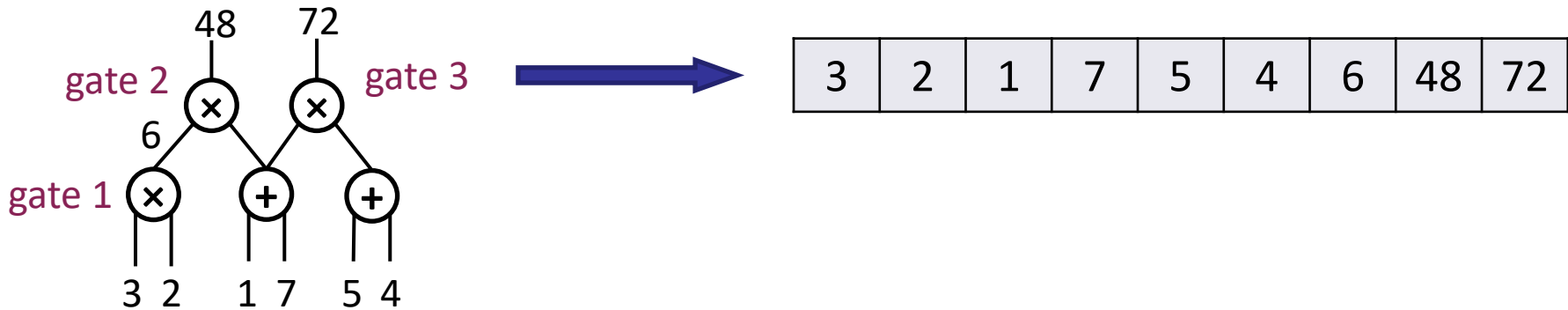
input + output of every multiplication gate



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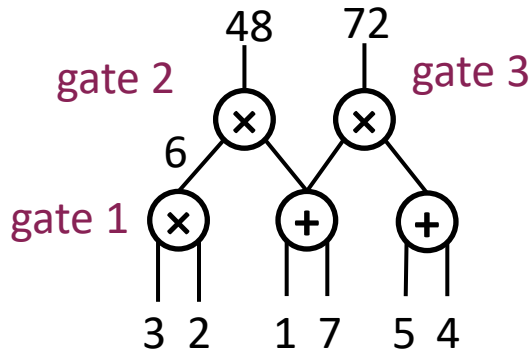
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Labeling the multiplication gates



# Selector Polynomials

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$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$	$c_4$	$c_5$	$c_6$	$c_7$	$c_8$	$c_9$



$l_i(x)$ : is  $c_i$  the left input of gate  $j$ , for  $j = 1, 2, 3$ ?

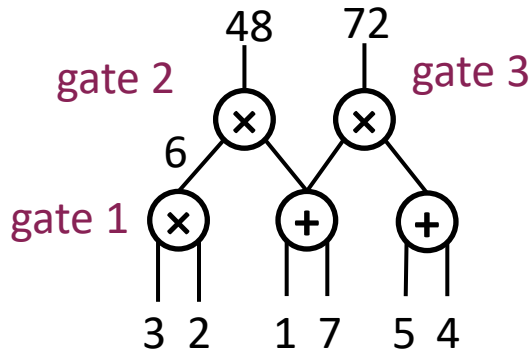
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Polynomial interpolation at a known set  $\Omega$

$$l_1(\omega) = 1, l_1(\omega^2) = 0, l_1(\omega^3) = 0$$

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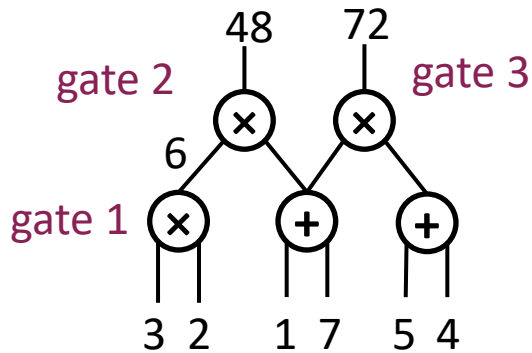
e.g.,  $l_2(x) : (0, 0, 0)$

Polynomial interpolation at a known set  $\Omega$

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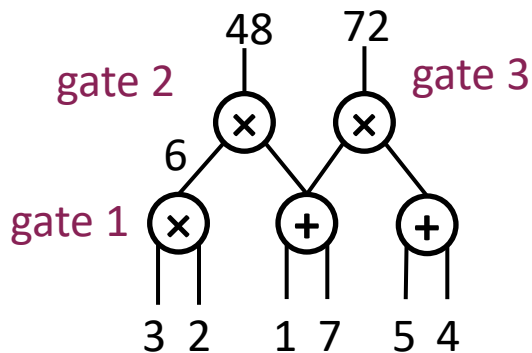
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$\omega, \omega^2, \omega^3$

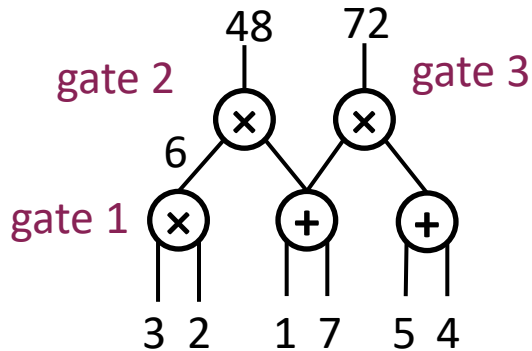


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# Properties of the selector polynomials

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$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$	$c_4$	$c_5$	$c_6$	$c_7$	$c_8$	$c_9$



- $$L(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times l_i(x)$$

What is  $L(\omega)$ ?

$$L(\omega) = c_1 = 3$$

What is  $L(\omega^2)$ ?

$$L(\omega^2) = c_7 = 6$$

What is  $L(\omega^3)$ ?

$$L(\omega^3) = c_3 + c_4 = 8$$

$$\omega, \omega^2, \omega^3$$

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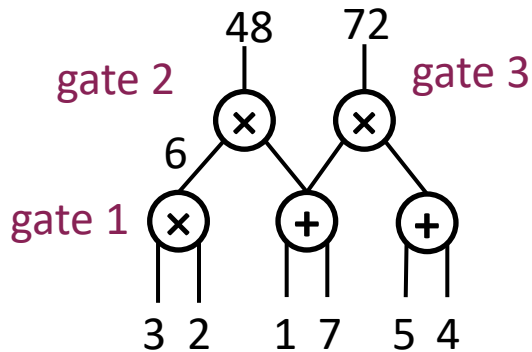
$$l_7(x) : (0,1,0)$$

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# More Selector Polynomials

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$r_i(x)$ : is  $c_i$  the right input of gate  $j$ , for  $j = 1, 2, 3$ ?

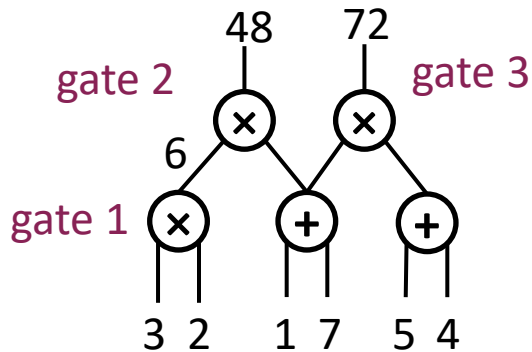
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Polynomial interpolation at a known set  $\Omega$

$$r_1(\omega) = 0, r_1(\omega^2) = 0, r_1(\omega^3) = 0$$

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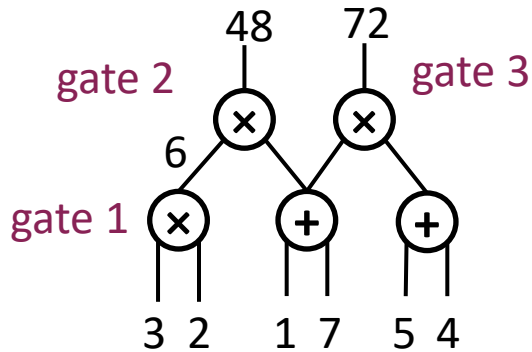
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- $R(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times r_i(x)$

What is  $R(\omega)$ ?

$$R(\omega) = c_2 = 2$$

What is  $R(\omega^2)$ ?

$$R(\omega^2) = c_3 + c_4 = 8$$

What is  $L(\omega^3)$ ?

$$R(\omega^3) = c_5 + c_6 = 9$$

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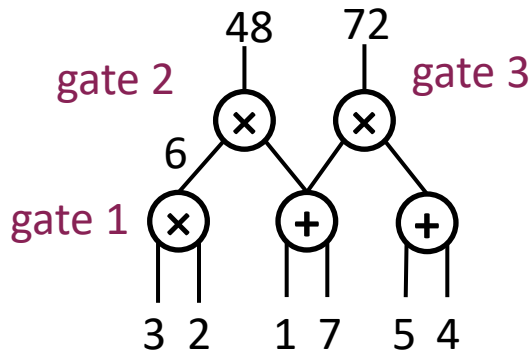
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$o_j(x)$ : is  $c_i$  the output of gate  $j$ , for  $j = 1, 2, 3$ ?

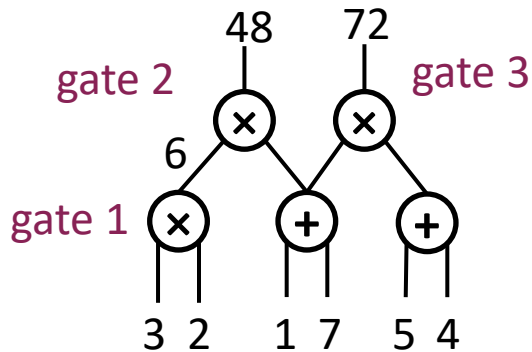
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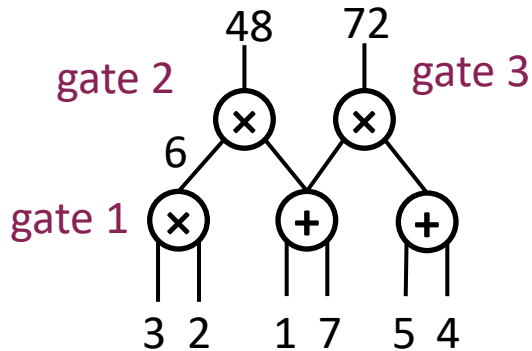
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- $$O(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times o_i(x)$$

$$O(\omega) = c_7 = 6$$

$$O(\omega^2) = c_8 = 48$$

$$O(\omega^3) = c_9 = 72$$

$$o_1(x) : (0,0,0)$$

$$o_2(x) : (0,0,0)$$

$$o_3(x) : (0,0,0)$$

$$o_4(x) : (0,0,0)$$

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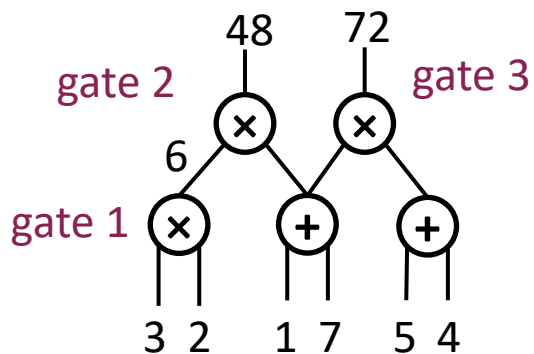
# Master polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= L(x)R(x) - O(x) \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times o_i(x)\right) \end{aligned}$$

- Claim:  $p(\omega^j) = 0$  for  $j = 1, 2, 3$

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$$L(\omega) = c_1 = 3$$

- $R(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times r_i(x)$

$$R(\omega) = c_2 = 2$$

- $O(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times o_i(x)$

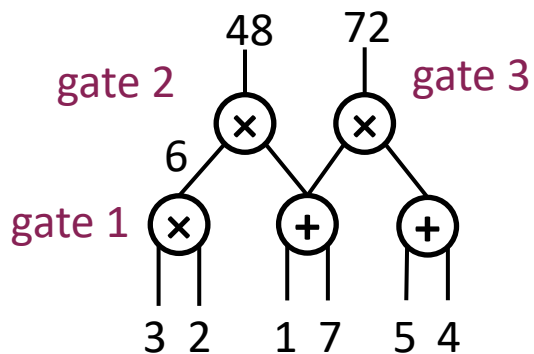
$$O(\omega) = c_7 = 6$$



# Master polynomial

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$$p(x) = L(x)R(x) - O(x)$$

- $L(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times l_i(x)$

$$L(\omega^2) = c_7 = 6$$

- $R(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times r_i(x)$

$$R(\omega^2) = c_3 + c_4 = 1 + 7 = 8$$

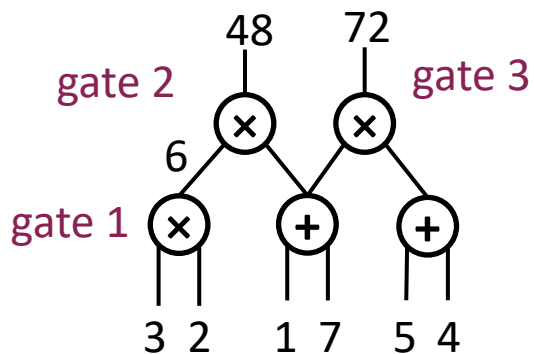
- $O(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times o_i(x)$

$$O(\omega^2) = c_8 = 48$$

# Master polynomial

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$$p(x) = L(x)R(x) - O(x)$$

- $L(x) = \sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times l_i(x)$

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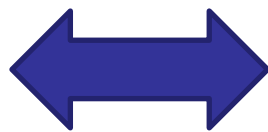
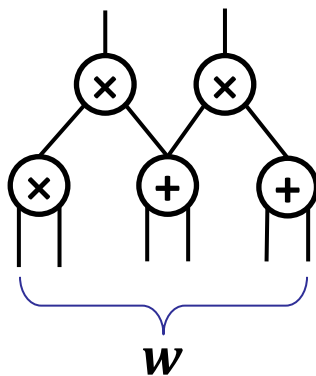
$$O(\omega^3) = c_9 = 72$$

# Vanishing polynomial

- $p(x) = L(x)R(x) - O(x)$   
 $= \left(\sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^9 c_i \times o_i(x)\right)$
- $p(\omega^j) = 0$  for  $j = 1, 2, 3$
- $p(x) = V(x)q(x)$ , where  $V(x) = (x - \omega)(x - \omega^2)(x - \omega^3)$   
is the vanishing polynomial of the set  $\Omega = \{\omega, \omega^2, \omega^3\}$

# Circuit-SAT to QAP [GGPR13, PGHR13]

**P** claims to know a  $w$  such that  $C(x, w) = y$

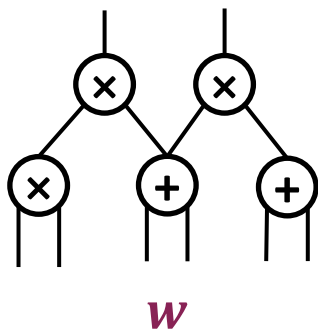


**P** claims to know a vector  $c$  such that  $p(x) = V(x)q(x)$

$m$ : size of  $c$ , extended witness  
 $n$ : number of multiplication gates

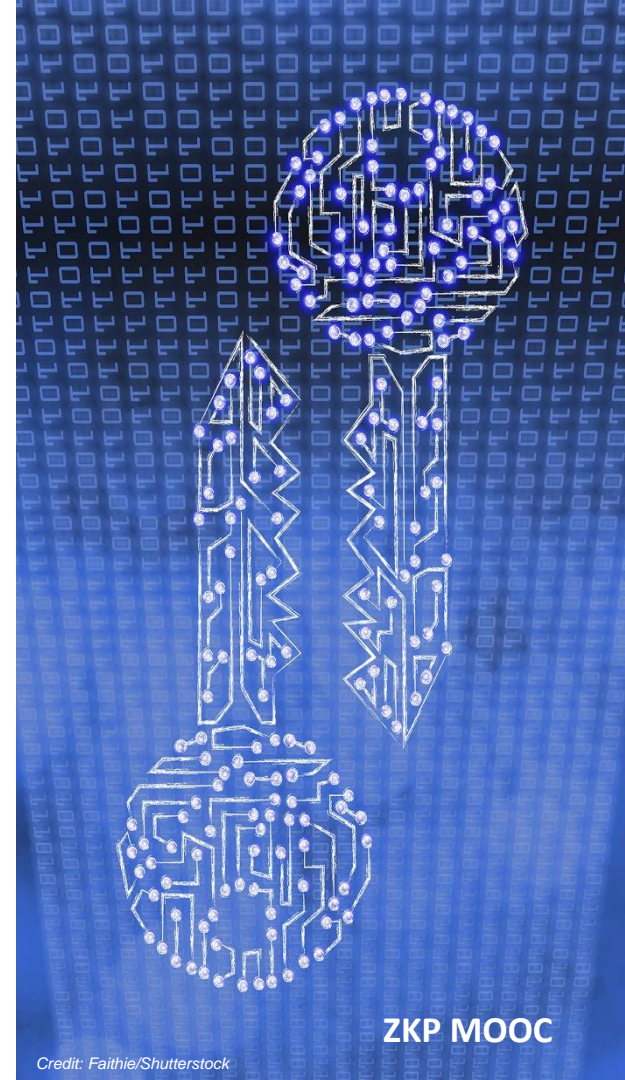
# Circuit-SAT to QAP [GGPR13, PGHR13]

$$p(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x)\right) = V(x)q(x)$$

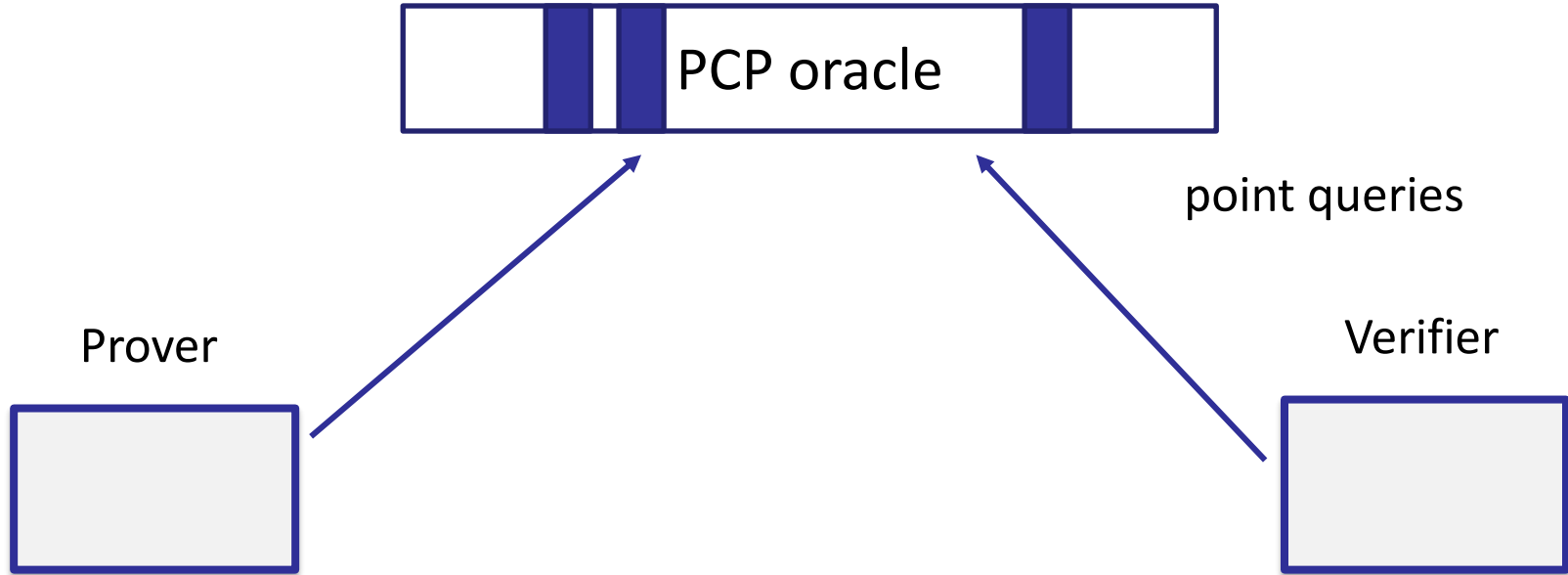


$\Omega = \omega, \omega^2, \dots, \omega^n$		
$l_1(x) : (1, 0, 0, \dots)$	$r_1(x) : (0, 0, 0, \dots)$	$o_1(x) : (0, 0, 0, \dots)$
$l_2(x) : (0, 0, 0, \dots)$	$r_2(x) : (1, 0, 0, \dots)$	$o_2(x) : (0, 0, 0, \dots)$
$l_3(x) : (0, 0, 1, \dots)$	$r_3(x) : (0, 1, 0, \dots)$	$o_3(x) : (0, 0, 0, \dots)$
...	...	...
$l_m(x) : (0, 0, 1, \dots)$	$r_m(x) : (0, 0, 1, \dots)$	$o_m(x) : (0, 0, 0, \dots)$

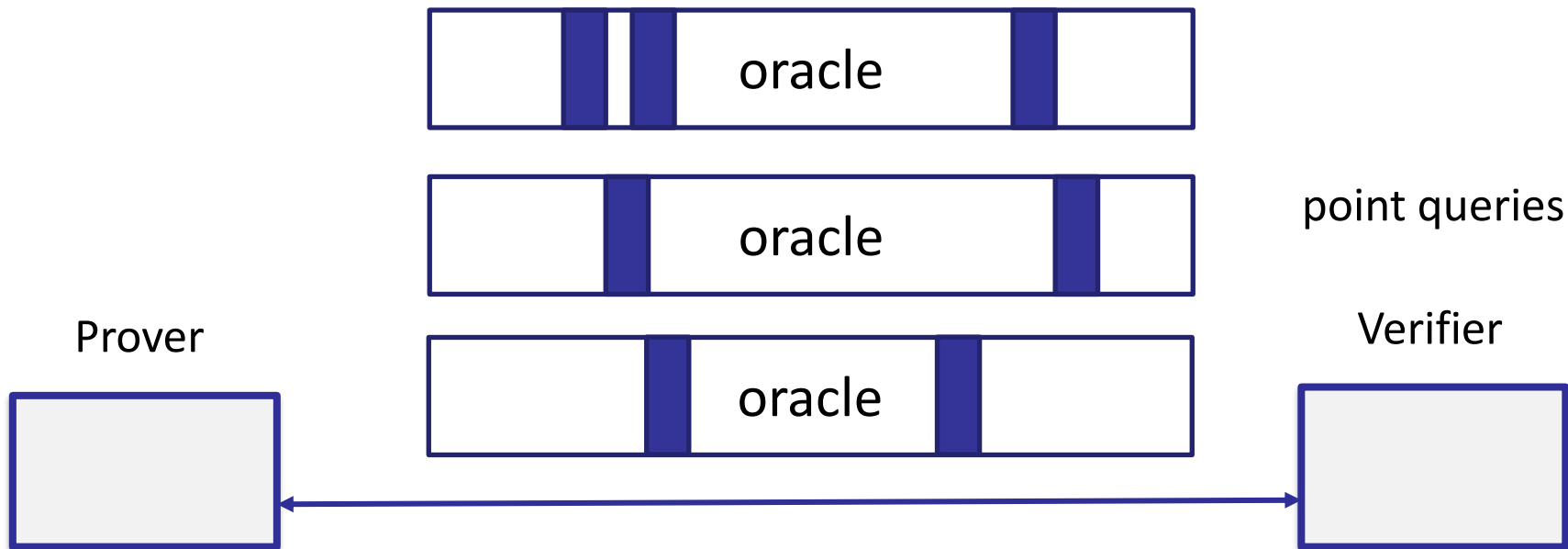
# From QAP to SNARK



# Probabilistically Checkable Proofs (PCP)

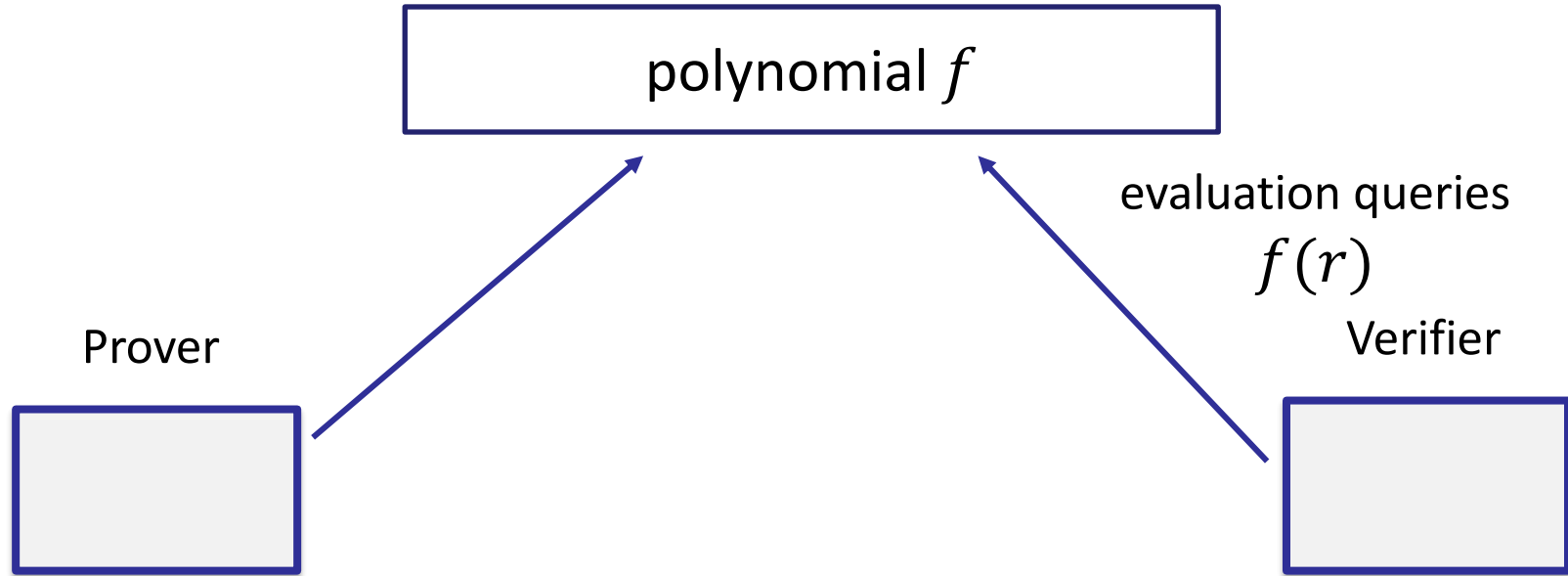


# IPCP [Kalai-Raz'08] and IOP [Ben-Sasson-Chiesa-Spooner'16]

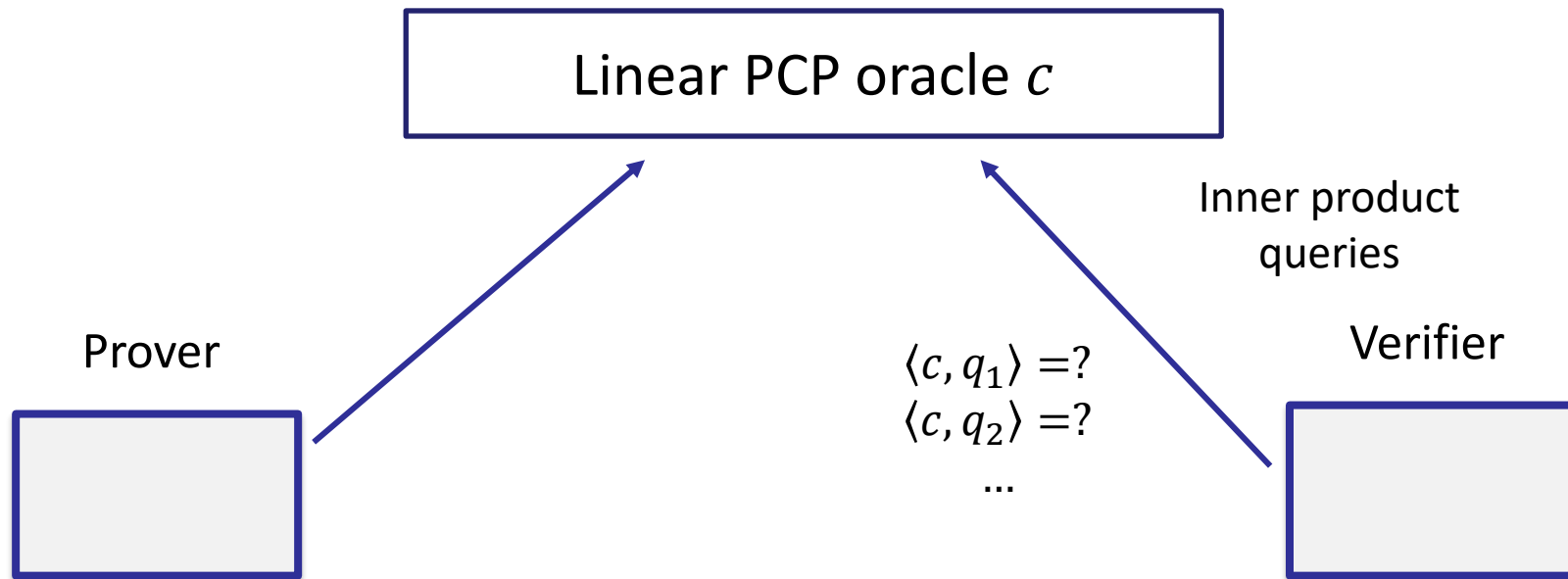




# Polynomial IOP [Bünz-Fisch-Szepieniec'20]

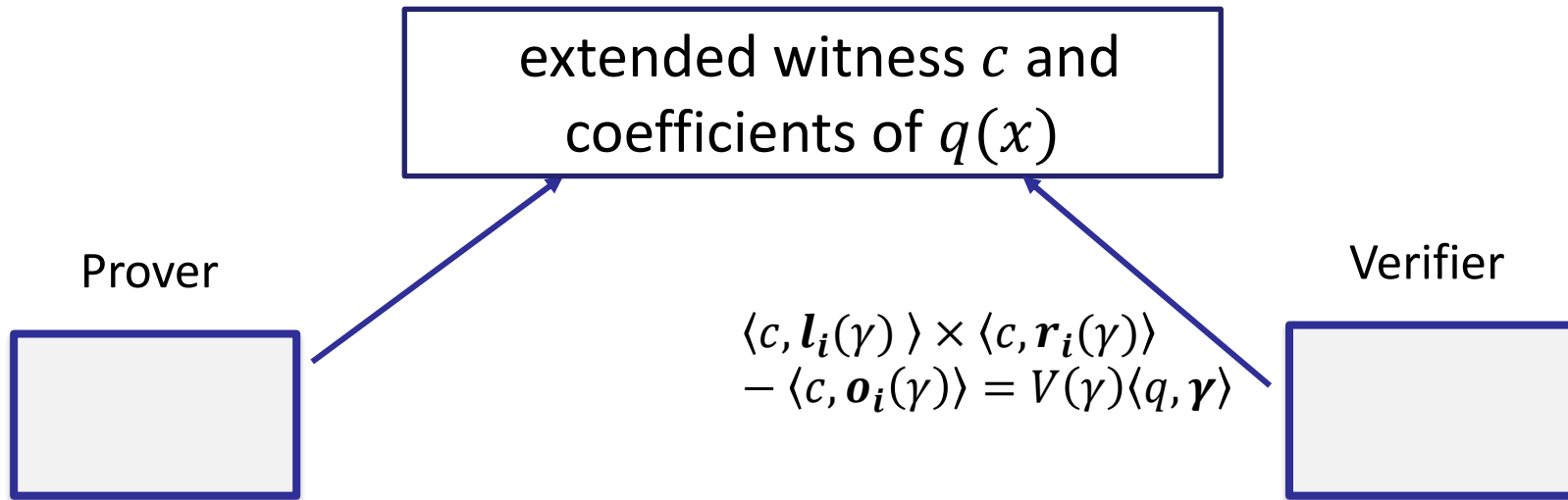


# Linear PCP [Ishai-Kushilevitz-Ostrovsky'07]



# QAP and Linear PCP

$$p(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x)\right) = V(x)q(x)$$



# Recall: Bilinear pairing

- $(p, \mathbb{G}, g, \mathbb{G}_T, e)$ 
  - $\mathbb{G}$  and  $\mathbb{G}_T$  are both multiplicative cyclic group of order  $p$ ,  $g$  is the generator of  $\mathbb{G}$ .

$\mathbb{G}$ :base group,  $\mathbb{G}_T$  target group
- Pairing:  $e(P^x, Q^y) = e(P, Q)^{xy} : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$
- Example:  $e(g^x, g^y) = e(g, g)^{xy} = e(g^{xy}, g)$

Given  $g^x$  and  $g^y$ , a pairing can check that some element  $h = g^{xy}$  without knowing  $x$  and  $y$

# Key Generation

$$p(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x)\right) = V(x)q(x)$$

Preprocessor

Proving key:  $p, \mathbb{G}, g, \mathbb{G}_T, e$   
 $g^{l_i(\tau)}, g^{r_i(\tau)}, g^{o_i(\tau)}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$   
 $g^\tau, g^{\tau^2}, \dots, g^{\tau^m}$

Verification key:  $g^{V(\tau)}$

Prover

Verifier

delete  $\tau$  !! (trusted setup)

# Prove

$$p(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x)\right) = V(x)q(x)$$

PK:  $g^{l_i(\tau)}, g^{r_i(\tau)}, g^{o_i(\tau)}$

for  $i = 1, \dots, m$

$g^\tau, g^{\tau^2}, \dots, g^{\tau^m}$

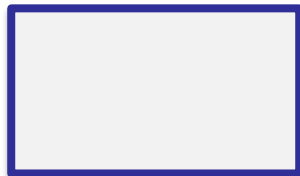
$$\pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_2 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(\tau)}$$

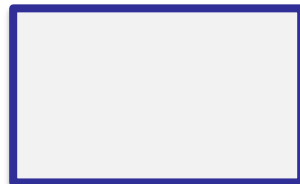
$$\pi_3 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_4 = g^{q(\tau)}$$

Prover



Verifier



# Verify

$$p(x) = (\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)) \times (\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)) - (\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x)) = V(x)q(x)$$

PK:  $g^{l_i(\tau)}, g^{r_i(\tau)}, g^{o_i(\tau)}$

for  $i = 1, \dots, m$

$g^\tau, g^{\tau^2}, \dots, g^{\tau^m}$

Prover



$$\pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_2 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_3 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_4 = g^{q(\tau)}$$

Verification key:  $g^{V(\tau)}$

$$\begin{aligned} e(\pi_1, \pi_2) / e(\pi_3, g) \\ = e(g^{V(\tau)}, \pi_4) \end{aligned}$$

Verifier



# Towards the real protocol

- Q1: How to make sure  $\pi_1$  is computed from  $g^{l_i(\tau)}$ ?
- Solution: Knowledge of Exponent assumption (KoE) or Generic Group Model (GGM)



# Recall: KoE

- Sample random  $\alpha$ , compute  $g^{\alpha l_i(\tau)}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$
- $\pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$ ,  $\pi_1' = g^{\alpha \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$
- $e(\pi_1, g^\alpha) = e(\pi_1', g)$
- Used in [PGHR13]

# Recall: GGM

- (Informal) Adversary is only give an **oracle** to compute the group operation.  
E.g., given  $g^{\alpha_i(\tau)}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , Adv can only compute their linear combinations.
- Used in [Groth16]

# Towards the real protocol

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- Q2: how to make sure the same  $c$  is used in  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3$ ?

# Solution

$$p(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x)\right) = V(x)q(x)$$

PK:  $g^{l_i(\tau)}, g^{r_i(\tau)}, g^{o_i(\tau)}$

$g^\tau, g^{\tau^2}, \dots, g^{\tau^m}$

$g^{\beta(l_i(\tau)+r_i(\tau)+o_i(\tau))}$  for  $i \in [m]$   
 $g^\beta$

Prover



$\pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$

$\pi_2 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(\tau)}$

$\pi_3 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(\tau)}$

$\pi_4 = g^{q(\tau)}$

$e(\pi_1, \pi_2) / e(\pi_3, g)$   
 $= e(g^{V(\tau)}, \pi_4)$

$e(\pi_1 \pi_2 \pi_3, g^\beta) = e(\pi_5, g)$

Verifier

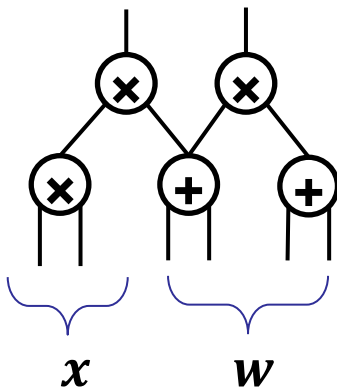


$\pi_5 = \prod_{i=1}^m \left(g^{\beta(l_i(\tau)+r_i(\tau)+o_i(\tau))}\right)^{c_i}$

# Towards the real protocol

- Q3: what about public input and output?

$$C(x, w) = y$$



# Solution

$$\text{Original } \pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$$

$$\text{New } \pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i \in I_{mid}} c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$$

$$g^{\sum_{i \in I_{io}} c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_1^* = \pi_1 \cdot g^{\sum_{i \in I_{io}} c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$$

$$e(\pi_1^*, \pi_2^*) / e(\pi_3^*, g) = e(g^{V(\tau)}, \pi_4)$$

Prover



$$\pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i \in I_{mid}} c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$$



Verifier



# Putting everything together

- **Keygen:**

PK:  $g^{l_i(\tau)}, g^{r_i(\tau)}, g^{o_i(\tau)}, g^{\beta(l_i(\tau)+r_i(\tau)+o_i(\tau))}$  for  $i \in I_{mid}, g^\beta, g^\tau, g^{\tau^2}, \dots, g^{\tau^m}$   
VK:  $g^{l_i(\tau)}, g^{r_i(\tau)}, g^{o_i(\tau)}$  for  $i \in I_{io}, g^{V(\tau)}$

- **Prove:**  $\pi_1 = g^{L(\tau)}, \pi_2 = g^{R(\tau)}, \pi_3 = g^{O(\tau)}, \pi_4 = g^{q(\tau)}, \pi_5 = g^{\beta(L(\tau)+R(\tau)+O(\tau))}$

- **Verify:**  $\pi_1^* = \pi_1 \cdot g^{\sum_{i \in I_{io}} c_i \times l_i(\tau)}, \pi_2^*, \pi_3^*,$

- $e(\pi_1^*, \pi_2^*) / e(\pi_3^*, g) = e(g^{V(\tau)}, \pi_4)$

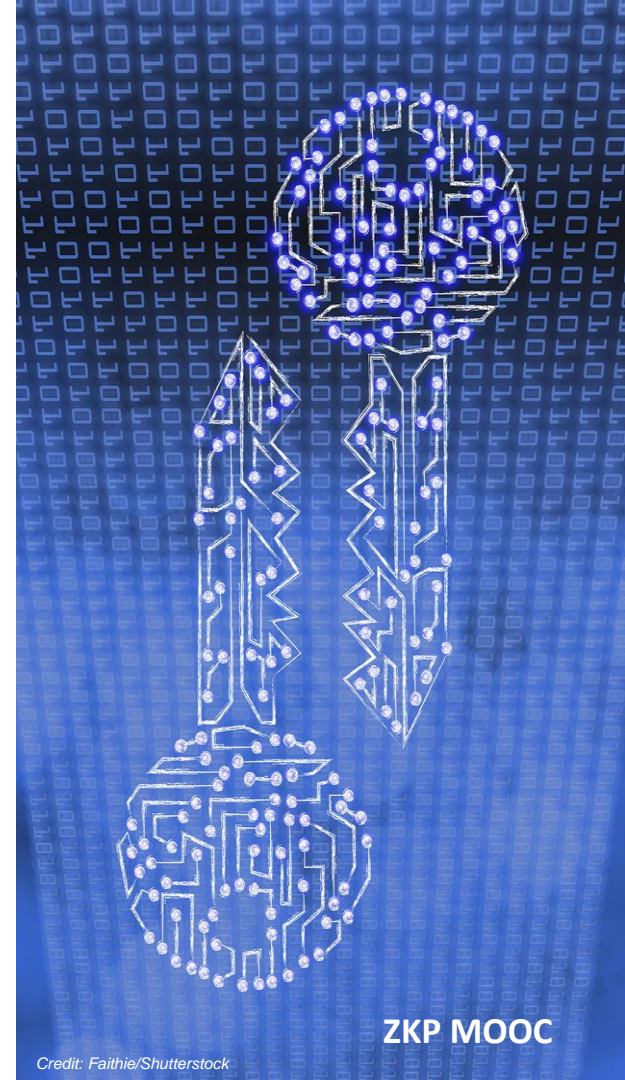
- $e(\pi_1 \pi_2 \pi_3, g^\beta) = e(\pi_5, g)$

# Properties of SNARK [PGHR13]

- Per-circuit trusted setup:  $O(C)$  group exponentiations due to sparsity
- Prover time:  $O(C \log C)$  FFT,  $O(C)$  group exponentiations
- ✓ Proof size:  $O(1)$ , hundreds of bytes only
- ✓ Verifier time:  $O(1)$  pairing +  $O(|IO|)$  group exponentiations



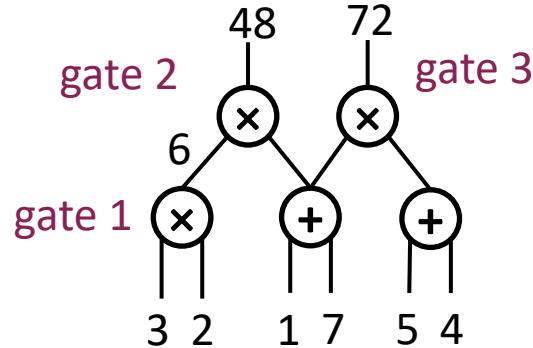
# Other Variants



# Rank-1-Constraint-System (R1CS)

$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$	$c_4$	$c_5$	$c_6$	$c_7$	$c_8$	$c_9$
3	2	1	7	5	4	6	48	72

$\omega, \omega^2, \omega^3$



$l_i(x)$ : is  $c_i$  the left input of gate  $j$ , for  $j = 1, 2, 3$ ?

$l_1(x) : (1, 0, 0)$

$l_2(x) : (0, 0, 0)$

$l_3(x) : (0, 0, 1)$

$l_4(x) : (0, 0, 1)$

$l_5(x) : (0, 0, 0)$

$l_6(x) : (0, 0, 0)$

$l_7(x) : (0, 1, 0)$

$l_8(x) : (0, 0, 0)$

$l_9(x) : (0, 0, 0)$

# Rank-1-Constraint-System (R1CS)

$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$	...	...	...	$c_m$
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$$p(x) = (\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)) \times (\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)) - (\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x))$$

$$l_i(\omega^j) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } c_i \text{ is the left input of multiplication gate } j \\ \text{Any public constant} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Example: Constraint:  $(3c_1 + 5c_5 - 7c_7) \times (6c_2 + 10c_9) - (c_3 - 2c_8) = 0$

$$l_1(\omega) = 3, \quad l_5(\omega) = 5, \quad l_7(\omega) = -7$$

$$r_2(\omega) = 6, \quad r_9(\omega) = 10, \quad \dots$$

# Matrix View of R1CS

- $m$ : size of the extended witness;  $n$ : number of constraints

$$\begin{matrix} n \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{L} \\ \times \\ \text{c} \end{array} \right. \otimes \begin{array}{c} \text{R} \\ \times \\ \text{c} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \times \\ \text{c} \end{array} \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_m \end{matrix}$$

Building blocks for SNARKs: **Linear check** + **Hadamard product check**  
Used in Bulletproofs, Marlin, Spartan, ...

# Groth16

$$p(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x)\right) = V(x)q(x)$$

- $\pi_1 = g^{\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$
- $\pi_2 = g^{\beta + \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(\tau)}$
- $\pi_3 = g^{\sum c_i \times (\beta l_i(\tau) + \alpha r_i(\tau) + o_i(\tau)) + V(\tau)q(\tau)}$
- Verify:  $e(\pi_1, \pi_2) = e(\pi_3, g)e(g^\alpha, g^\beta)$

# Groth16

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- Change the keygen accordingly
- Proof size: 3 group elements, 144 bytes
- Verifier time: 1 pairing equation

# Achieving Zero-Knowledge

$$p(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(x)\right) \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(x)\right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(x)\right) = V(x)q(x)$$

$$\pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau)}$$

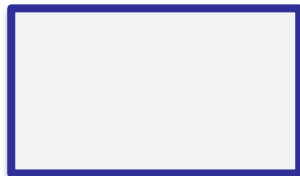
$$\pi_2 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_3 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(\tau)}$$

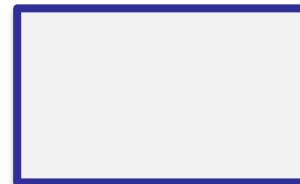
$$\pi_4 = g^{q(\tau)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e(\pi_1, \pi_2) / e(\pi_3, g) \\ = e(g^{V(\tau)}, \pi_4) \end{aligned}$$

Prover



Verifier



# Achieving Zero-Knowledge

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$$\pi_1 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times l_i(\tau) + \delta_1 V(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_2 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times r_i(\tau) + \delta_2 V(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_3 = g^{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i \times o_i(\tau) + \delta_3 V(\tau)}$$

$$\pi_4 = g^{q(\tau)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e(\pi_1, \pi_2) / e(\pi_3, g) \\ = e(g^{V(\tau)}, \pi_4) \end{aligned}$$

Prover



Verifier





# End of Lecture

Next: Recursive SNARKs

