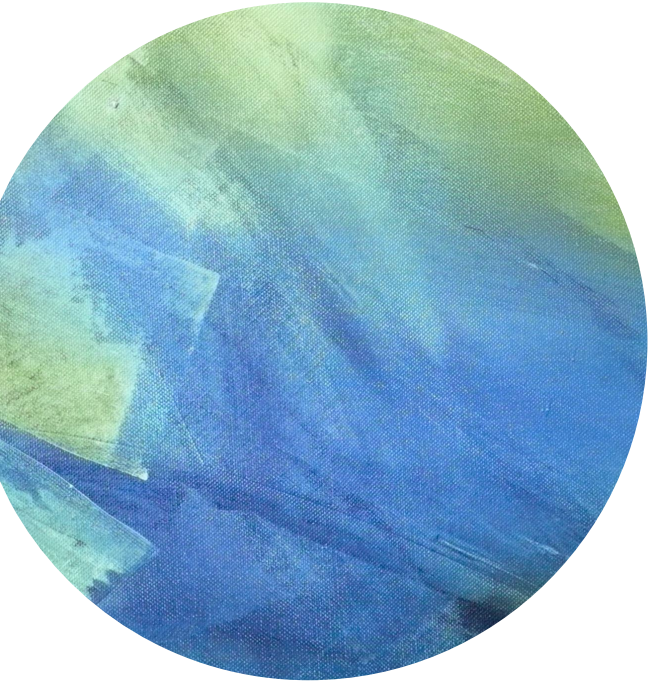


The background of the slide is an abstract composition of broad, textured brushstrokes. The color palette is dominated by various shades of green and blue, ranging from light, almost white-green to deep, dark navy blue. The strokes are layered and overlapping, creating a sense of depth and movement. The overall effect is reminiscent of a watercolor or oil painting on a slightly textured surface.

Lecture 13



# Outline



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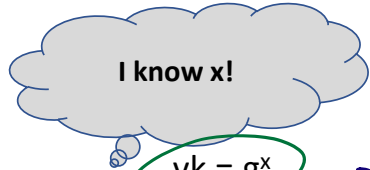
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$$X = g^x, R = g^r, h$$



I know x!

$$vk = g^x$$

(r)

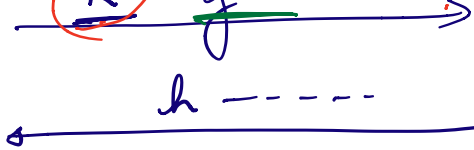
sign key = x



$$vk = \underline{g^x} = \underline{X}$$

$$\underline{R} = \underline{g^r}$$

h - - - - -



$$\underline{S = r + hx}$$



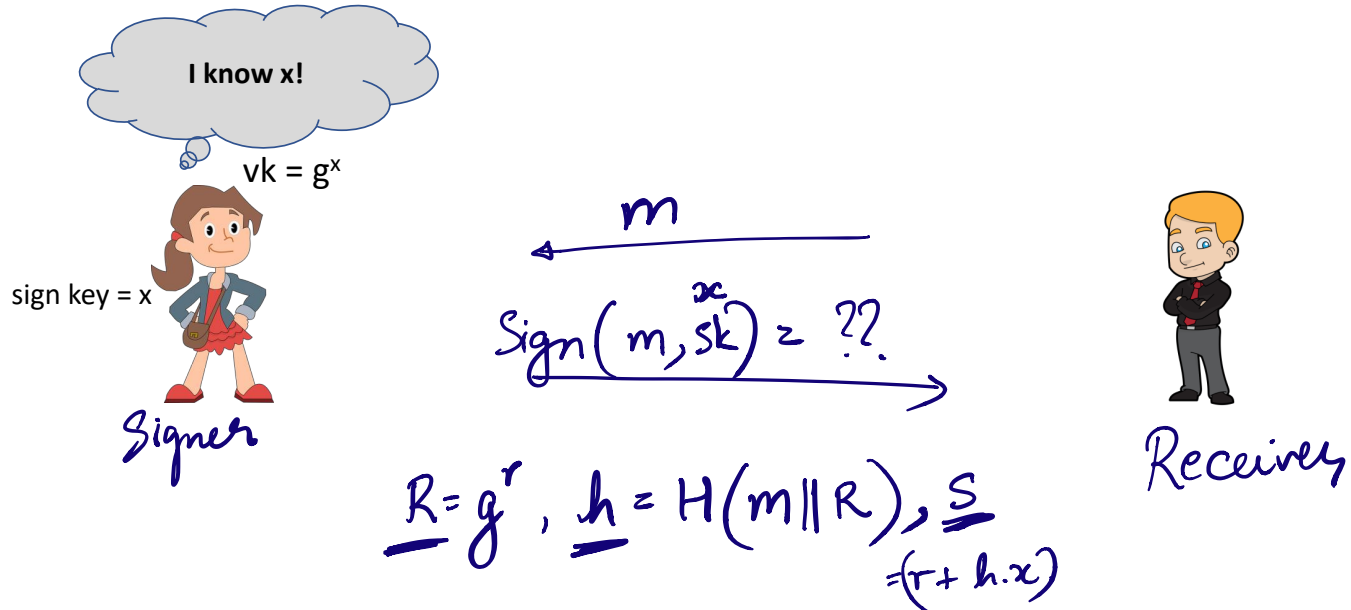
"Alice must know x"

$$\underline{g^S} = \underline{(g^r)(g^x)^h} = \underline{R \cdot X^h}$$

does not know r.



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*what about  $r^h + x$ ?  $s =$*

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*Verification:*

- Verify ( $\sigma$ ,  $vk$ ,  $m$ ) : Check if  $h = H(m, g^s X^{-h})$

$$g^s = R \cdot X^h$$

where  $h = H(m, R)$

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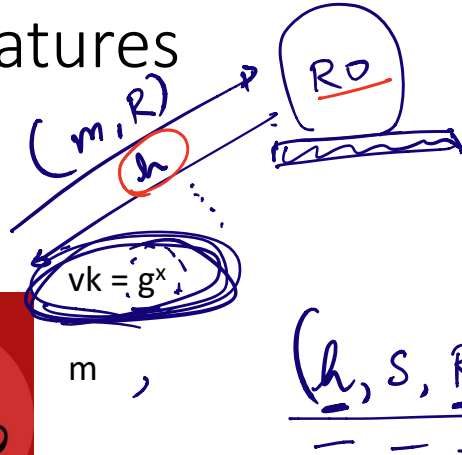
A forger can be used to get distinct signatures  $(h_1,s_1)$ ,  $(h_2,s_2)$  with same  $(m,R)$  (different  $h$ , by programming the RO), and that lets us solve for  $x$





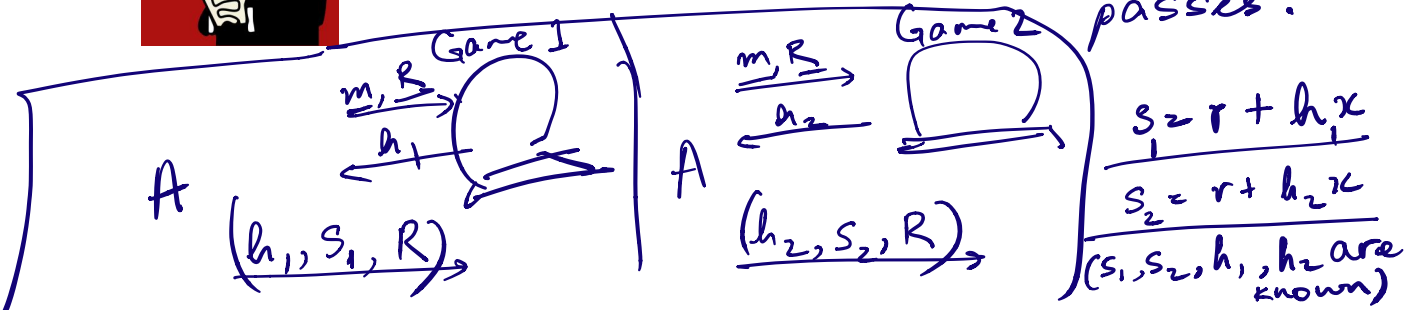
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"Programmability"



$$1) \underline{h = H(m, R)}$$

s.t. verification passes.



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$$(s, R)$$

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- Set  $h_i = H(m, R, X_i, L)$ , where  $L = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$

$$\underline{h_i} = \cancel{H(m, R)} \downarrow H(m, R, \underline{X_i}, X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

# Multi-Signatures

Final sign:  $(\underline{s_n}, \underline{R})$

$\downarrow$   $\downarrow$

$R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n$   
 $= \underline{g^{r_1}}, \underline{g^{r_2}}, \dots, \underline{g^{r_n}}$

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- Then, sequentially  $\underline{s_i} = s_{i-1} + r_i + h_i x_i$  (starting with  $s_0 = 0$ ).

- So that final signature  $\underline{s_n} = r + h_1 x_1 + \dots + h_n x_n$  where  $R = g^r$ .

$s_0 = 0$

$s_1 = s_0 + \underline{r_1} + \underline{h_1 x_1}$

$s_2 = s_1 + \underline{r_2} + \underline{h_2 x_2}$

$\underline{s_n} = \sum s_i + \sum r_i + \sum h_i x_i$





Commitments

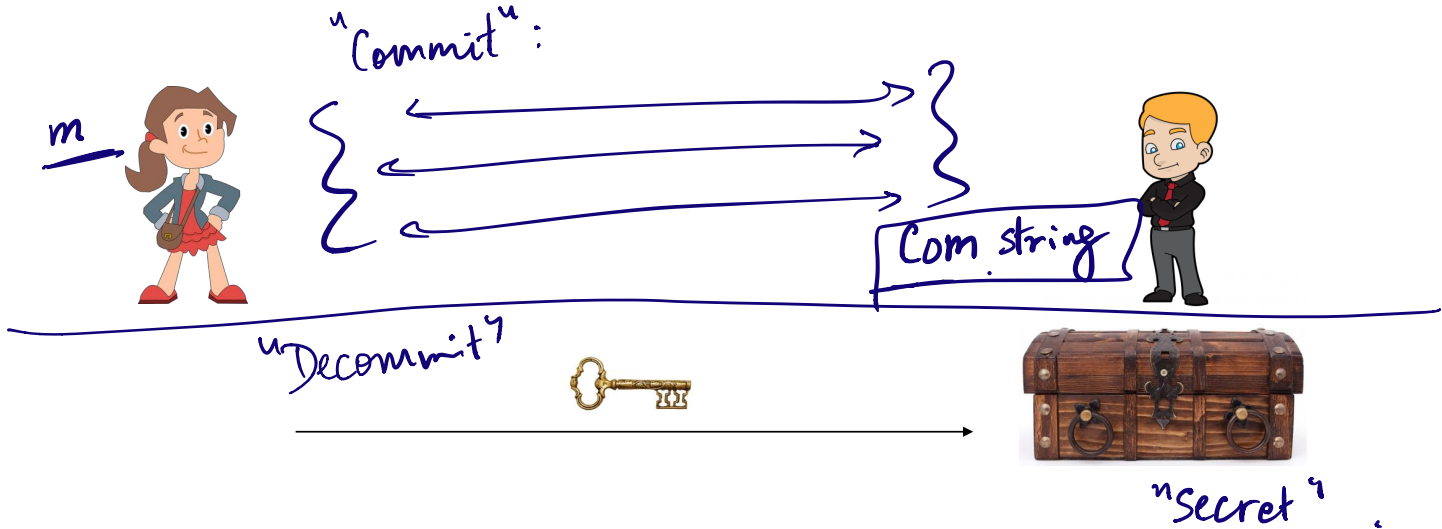
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• Hiding  $\forall m_0, m_1$

$$\underline{\underline{\text{Com}(m_0; r) \approx_c \text{Com}(m_1; r)}}$$

• Binding  $\forall \text{ string } \underline{c} \in \{0,1\}^*$

$$\Pr \left[ \exists \begin{matrix} (k_1, m_1) \\ (k_2, m_2) \text{ s.t.} \end{matrix} \left( \text{Decommit}(c, k_1, m_1) = 1 \right) \wedge \left( \text{Decommit}(c, k_2, m_2) = 1 \right) \right] = \text{negl}$$

$$\Pr \left( \text{PPT Adv can find } (k_1, m_1, k_2, m_2) \text{ s.t. } \left( \text{Decom}(c, k_1, m_1) = 1 \right) \wedge \left( \text{Decom}(c, k_2, m_2) = 1 \right) \right) = \text{negl.}$$

# Examples

- Is  $(g, g^x)$  a commitment to  $x$ ? Binding: only if  $x$  is small enough ( $\leq p$ ).
- NOT. Hiding? Any attacker that knows  $x$ , can check if  $(g, h) = (g, g^x)$ .
- Ct =  $E(k, m)$  for a symmetric key encryption  $E$

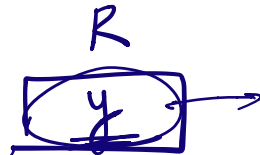
NOT Commitment  
because not binding

(Recall: one-time pad  $E(k, m) = k \oplus m$ ).

Decommit:  $C$   
 $m, \underline{y = (k \oplus m)}$

$$y = E(k, m)$$

$$\underline{m'}, \underline{k'}$$



$$m' = m \oplus 1, k' = k \oplus 1.$$

# Examples

To com to  $M$ . pick  $r$ . Send  $H(r || M)$

In practice, we use:

- To commit to message  $M$ , choose random, fixed-length  $r$ , send  $H(r || M)$
- To open commitment, send  $r, M$
- Receiver cannot fully recover  $M$ .
  
- Sender cannot find another  $M'$  to open.

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to com to  $M$ , pick large  $r$ . Com( $M, r$ ) <sup>MID</sup> = SHA( $M || r$ )  
(computational binding).

# Pedersen Commitments

- Public parameters:  $(p, g, h)$ 
  - $p$ : large prime (1024 bit)
  - $g$ : generator
  - $h$ :  $g^a$  for hidden  $a$
- Protocol
  - To commit to  $x$ ,  $C$  chooses random  $r$  and sends  $(g^x h^r)$  to  $R$ .
  - To open,  $C$  sends  $x$  and  $r$  to  $R$ .
- Benefits:
  - One can prove many things about the committed value without opening it



# Pedersen Commitments

- Unconditionally hiding
  - Given a commitment  $c$ , every value  $x$  is equally likely to be the value committed in  $c$ .
  - For example, given  $x, r$ , and any  $x'$ , there exists  $r'$  such that  $g^x h^r = g^{x'} h^{r'}$ , in fact  $r = (x-x')a^{-1} + r \pmod q$ .

# Pedersen Commitments

- Computationally binding
  - Suppose committer sent  $g^x h^r \bmod p$  for some  $(x, r)$
  - Now it finds  $x' \neq x$  and  $r'$  such that  $c = g^{x'} h^{r'}$ .
  - This means that the sender “knows”  $\log_g(h) = (x' - x) \cdot (r - r')^{-1}$ .
  - This means: assuming DL is hard, the sender cannot open the commitment with another value.

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