Fiat—Shamir Bulletproofs are Non-Malleable (in AGM)

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This Work

Concrete modular security analysis of simulation-extractability (SIM-EXT)

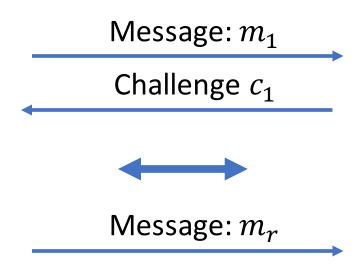
for multi-round Fiat-Shamir NIZK ==> non-malleability

• First to show **Fiat-Shamir Bulletproofs** satisfy **SIM-EXT** in the AGM.

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Prover (x,w)





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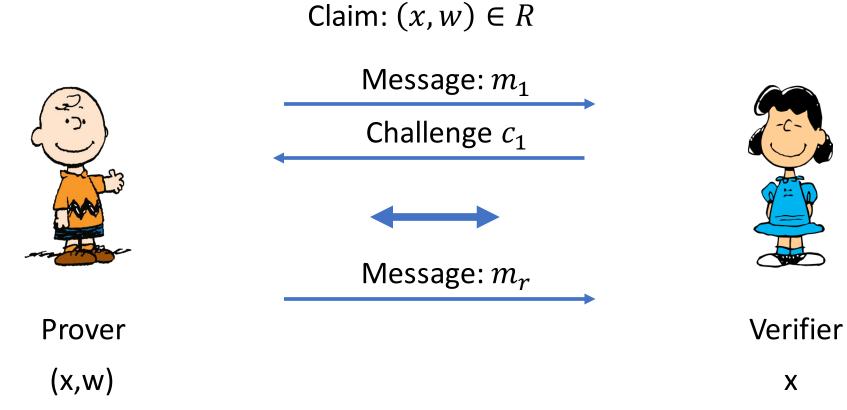
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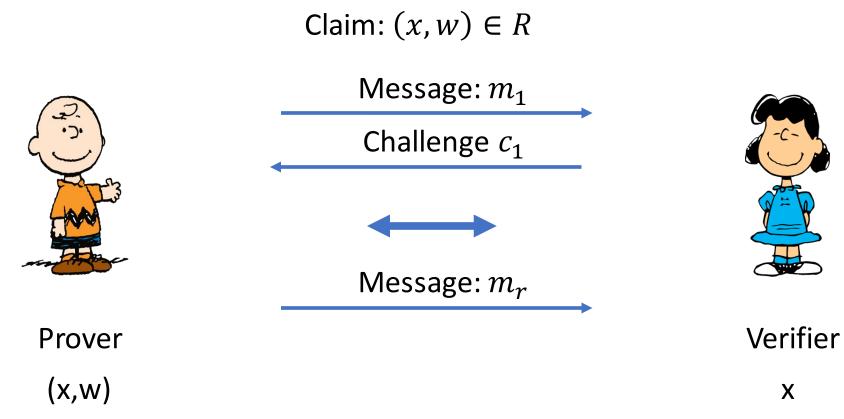
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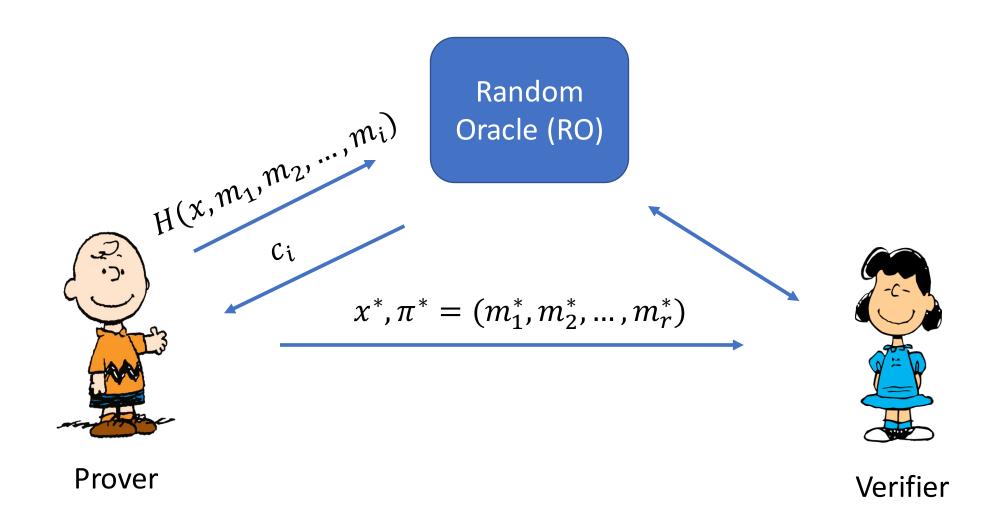


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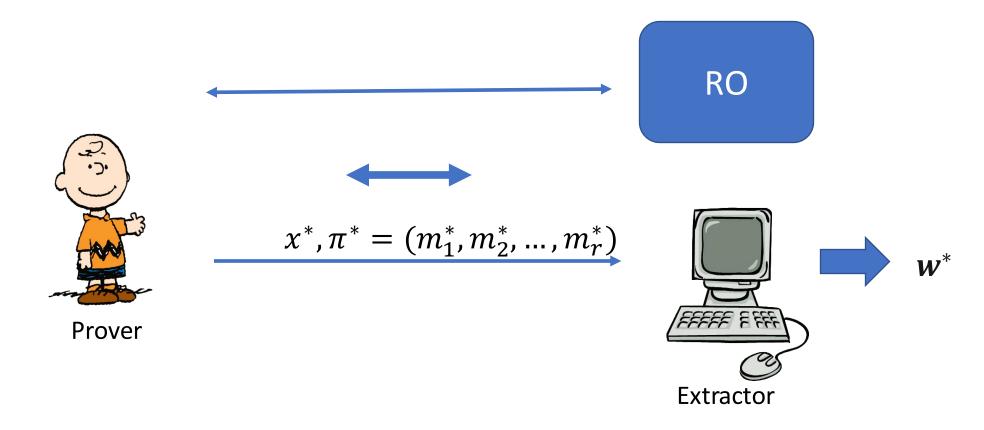


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- Zero-Knowledge: There exists a simulator that can simulate corrupt Verifier's view.

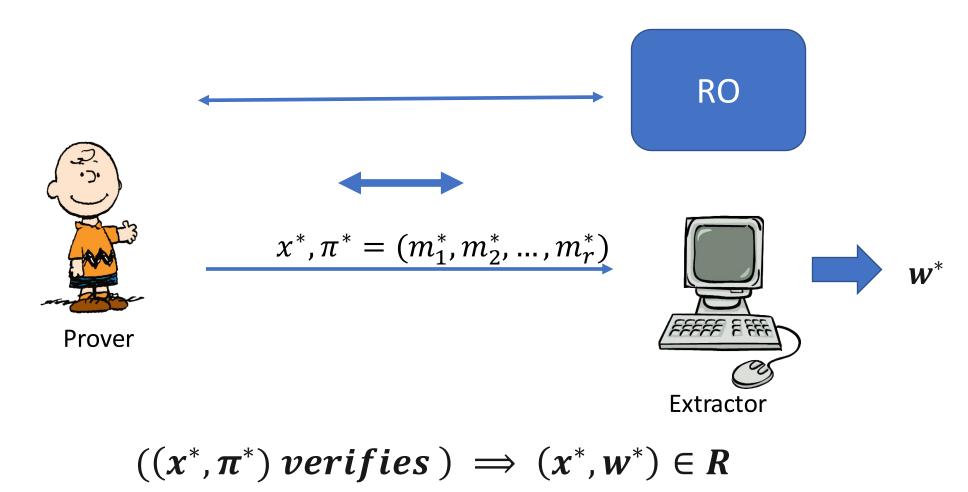
NIZK via Fiat-Shamir Transform



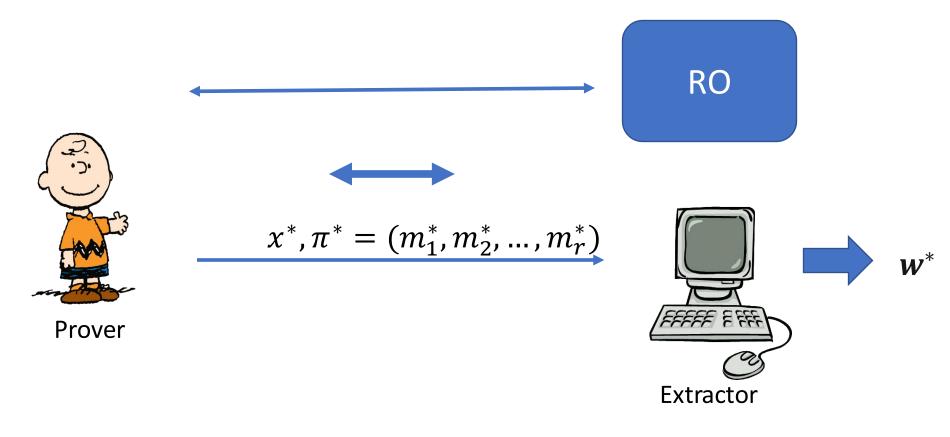
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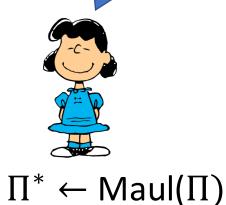


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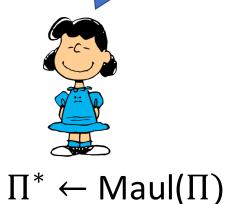


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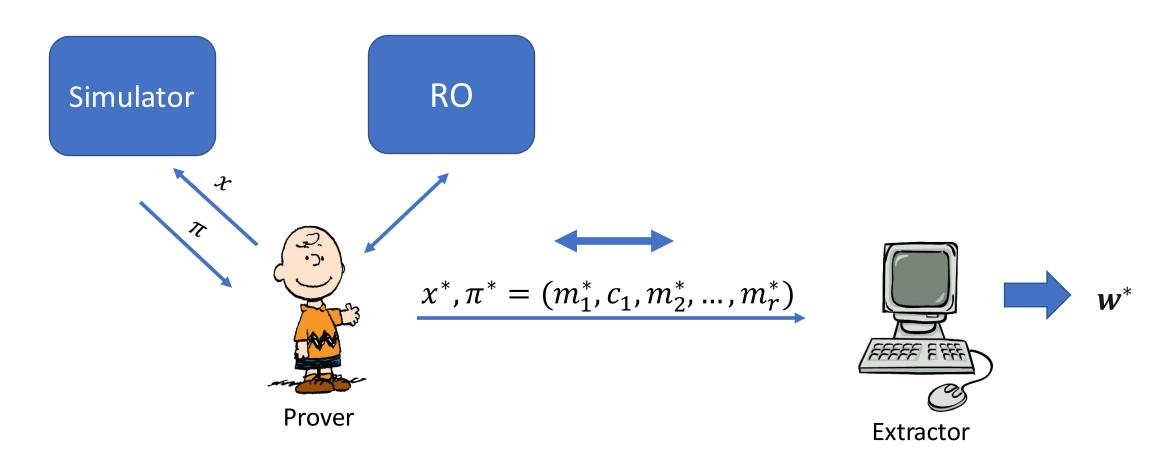


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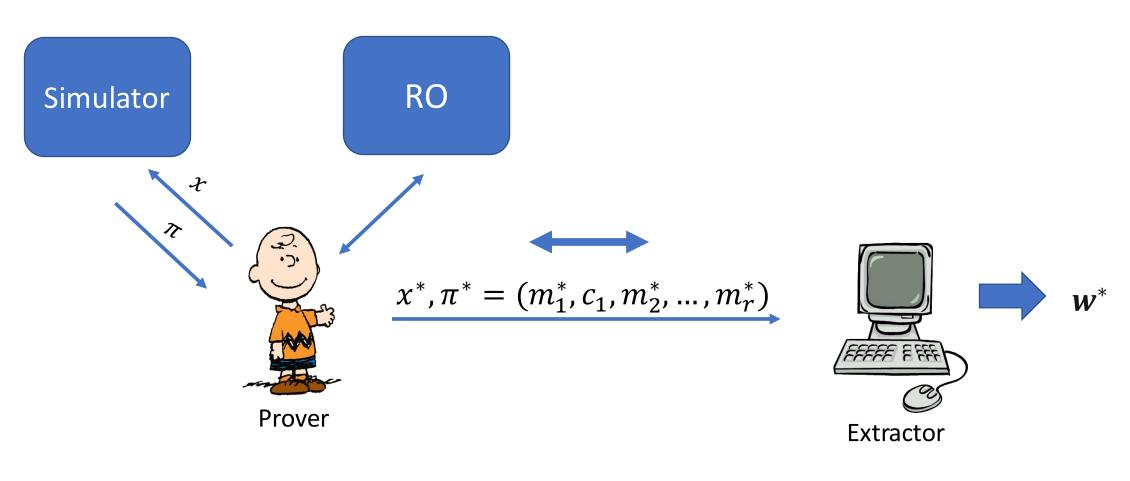




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- Ghoshal and Tessaro [GT21]:
 - Online extraction for FS(BP).
 - In the Algebraic Group Model (AGM) and just extraction.

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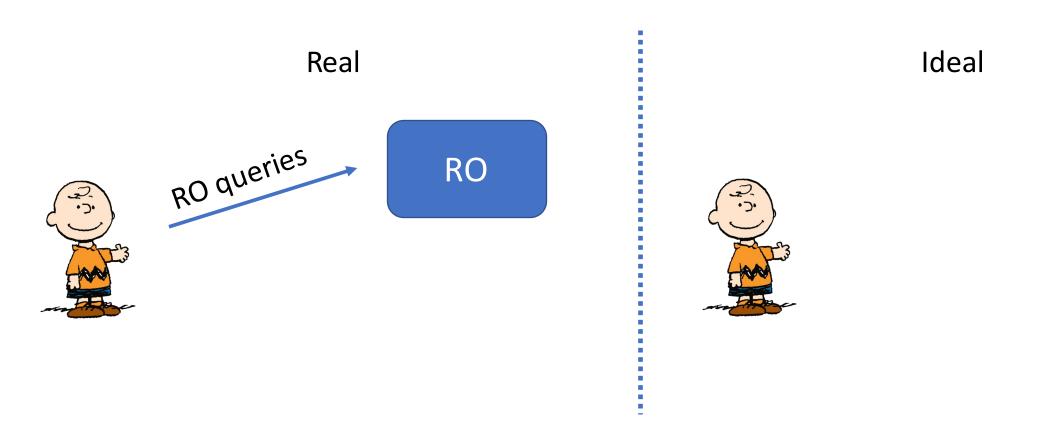
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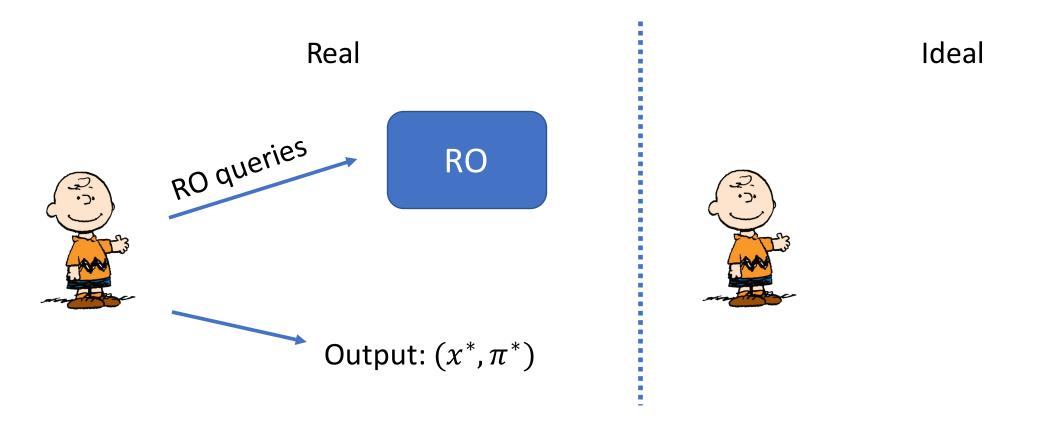
$$(y, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n) \leftarrow A_{alg}(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n)$$
 such that $y = g_1^{e_1} \times \dots \times g_n^{e_n}$

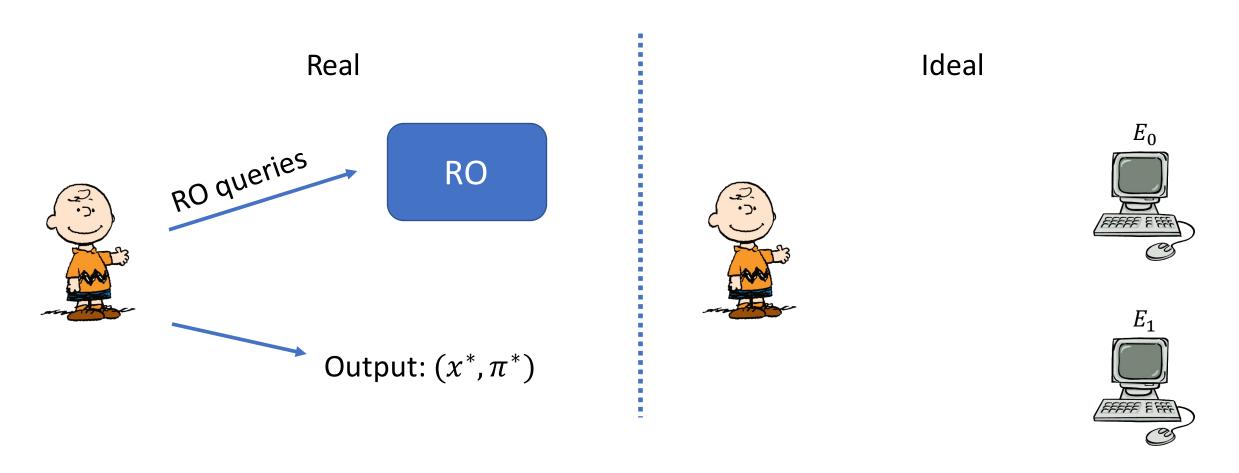
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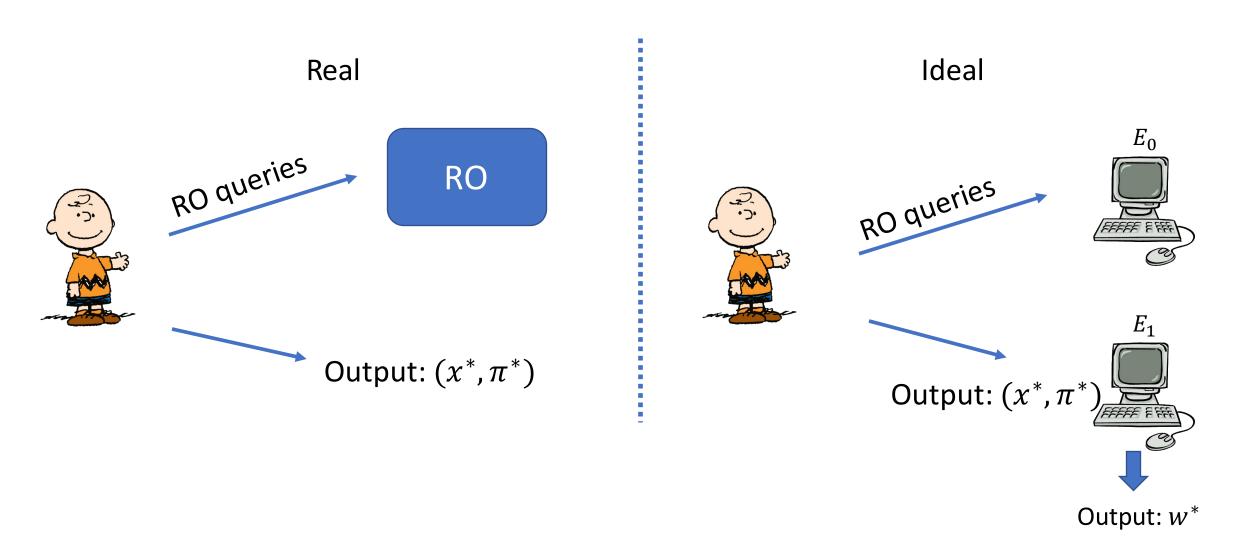


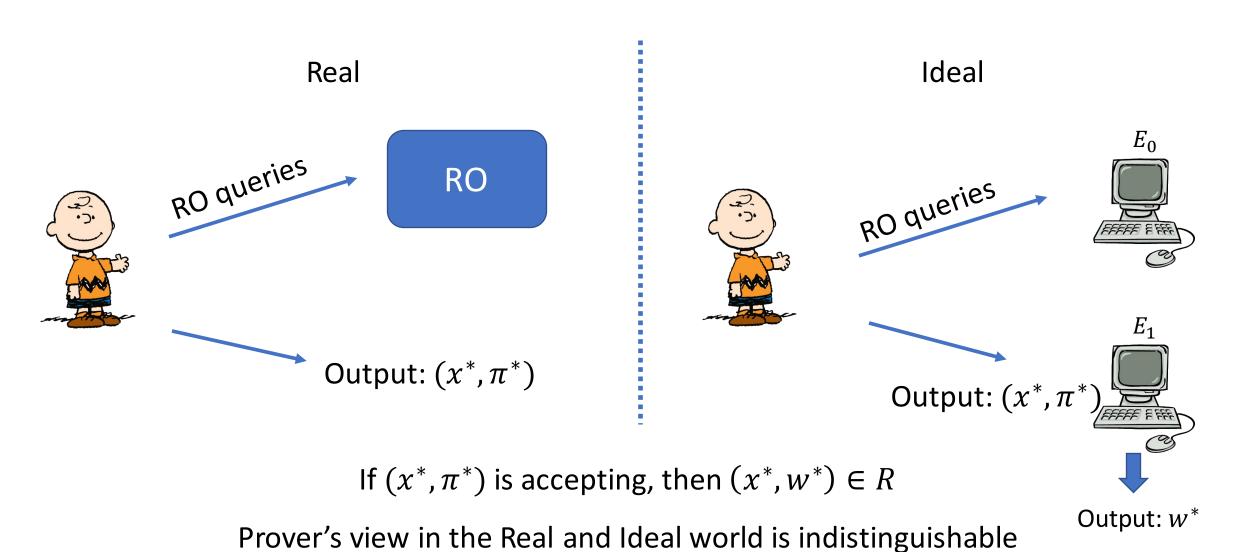


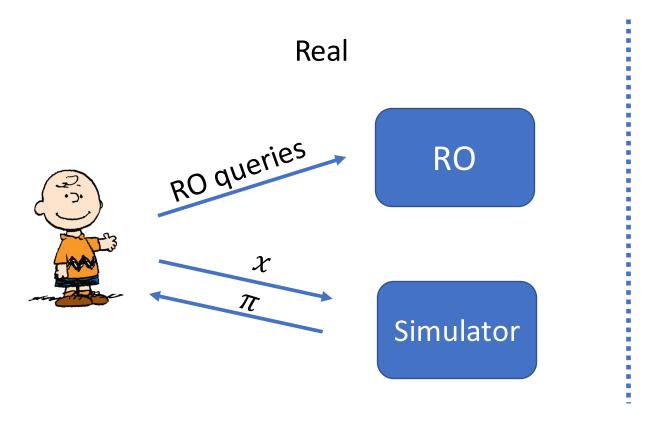


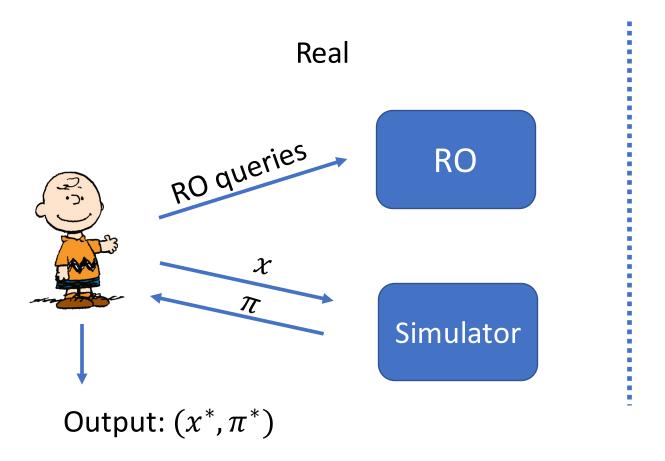


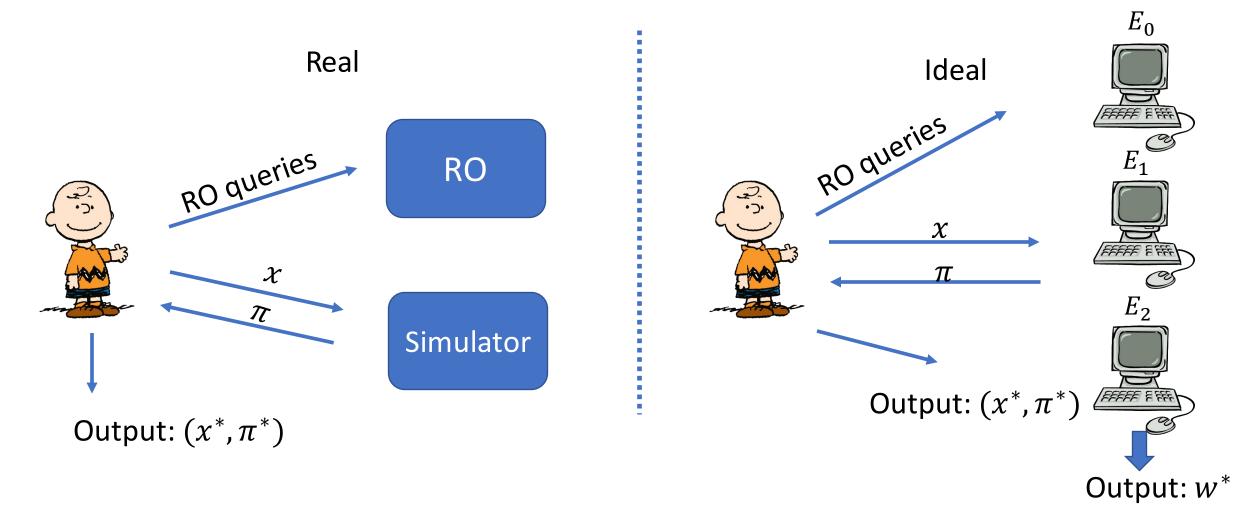


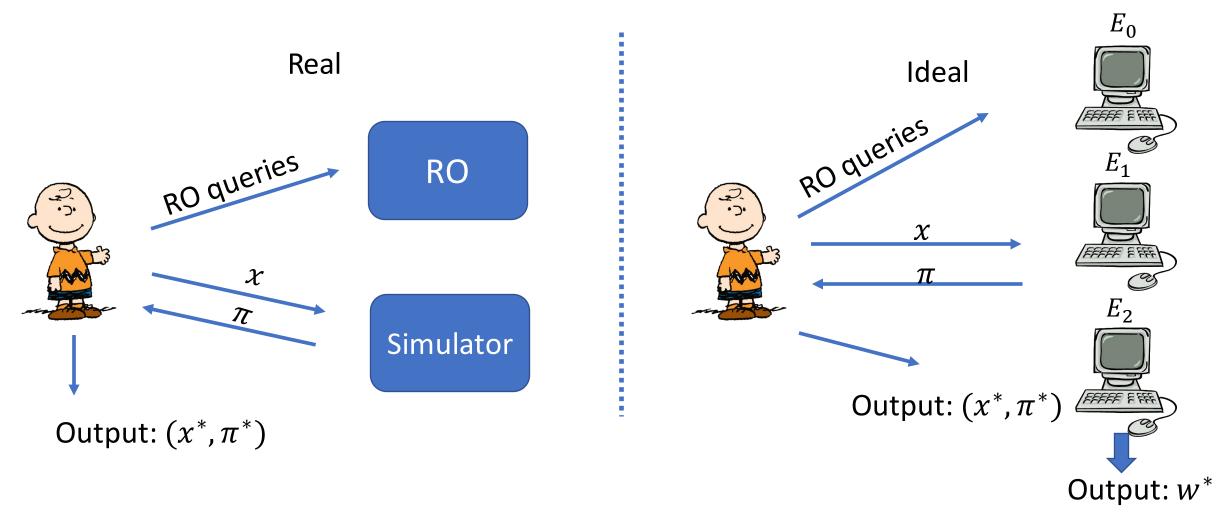












If (x^*, π^*) is accepting and (x^*, π^*) was not queried, then $(x^*, w^*) \in R$

Prover's view in the Real and Ideal world is indistinguishable

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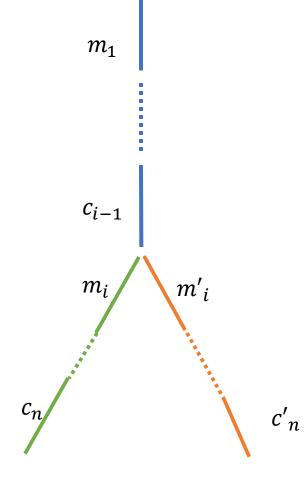
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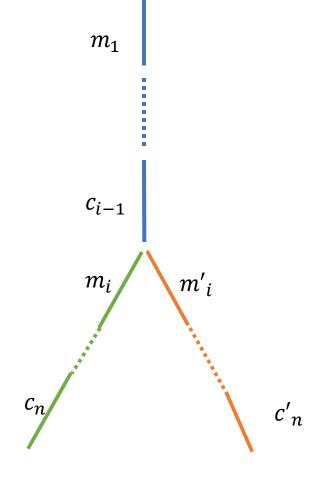


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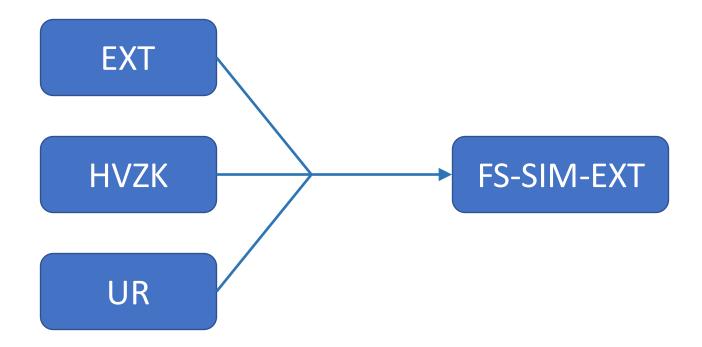
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General Recipe

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Proof: If the forged proof shares a prefix with one of the simulated transcripts, reduce it to UR property. Else, use the Extractor.

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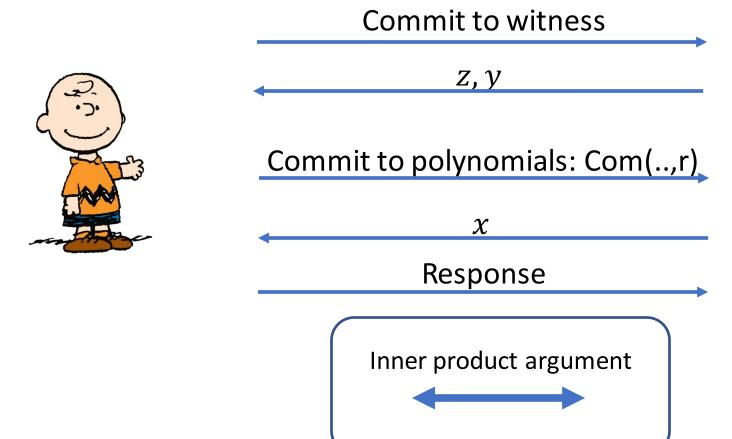
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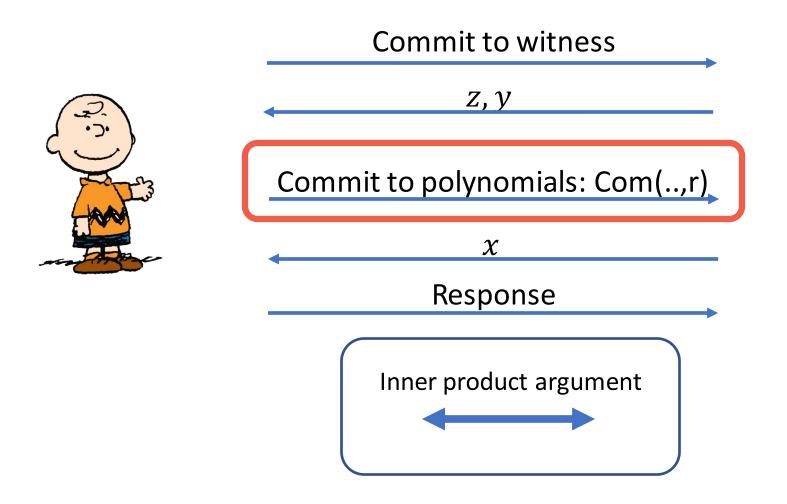
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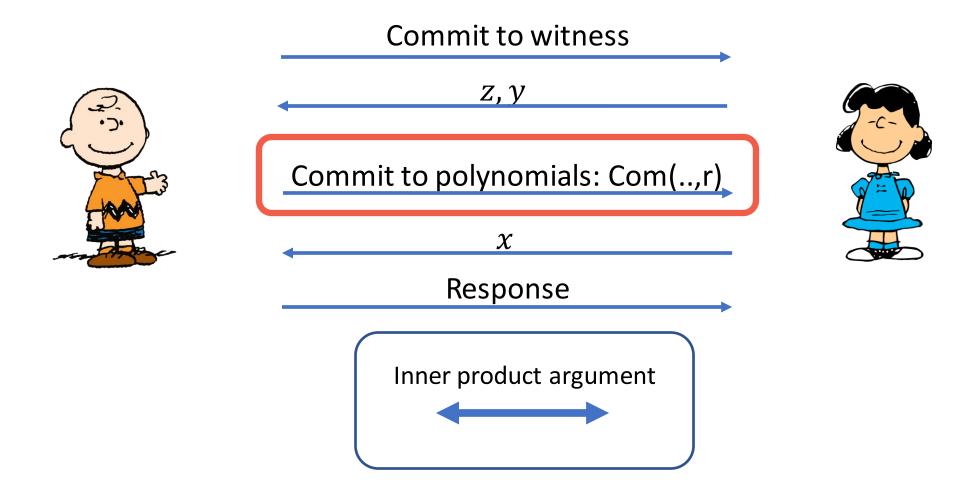


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Any protocol with an intermediate randomized round cannot have unique responses.

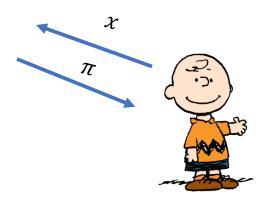
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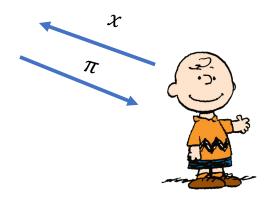
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- Interactive version is inspired from State restoration soundness definition [BCS16].

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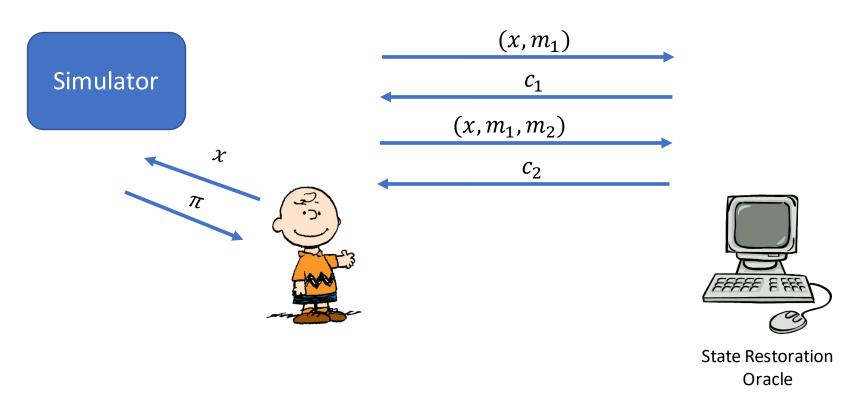


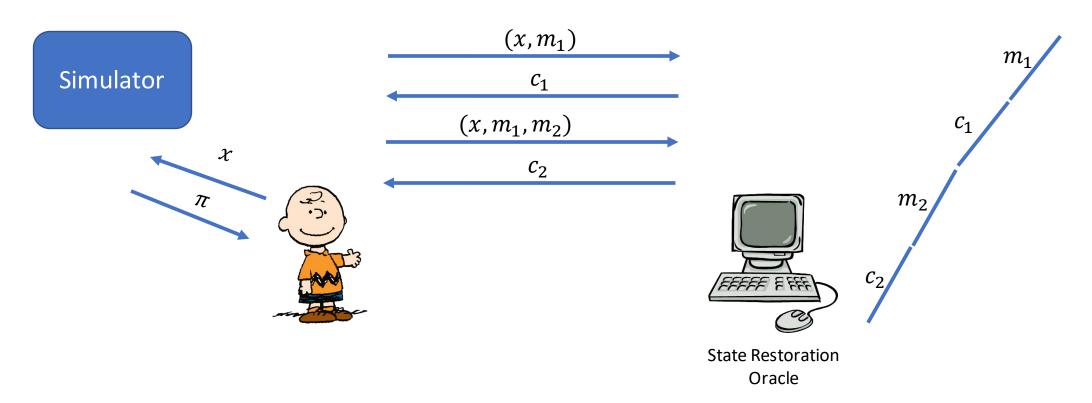
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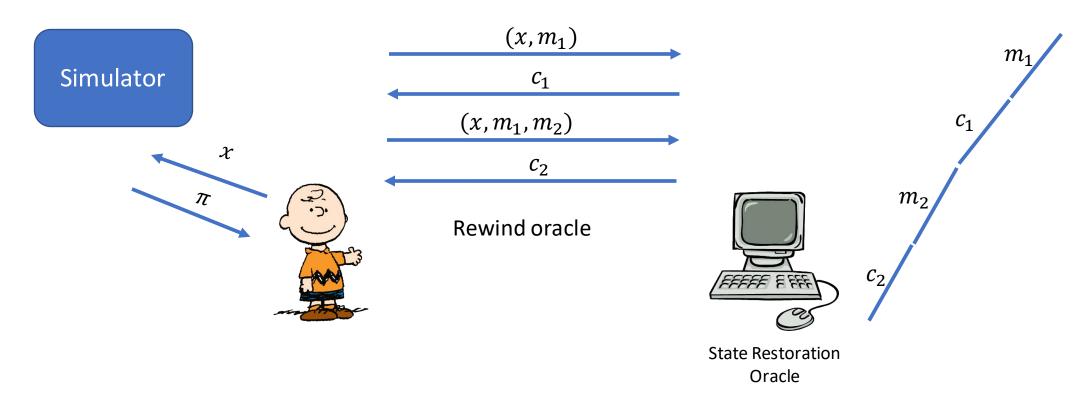


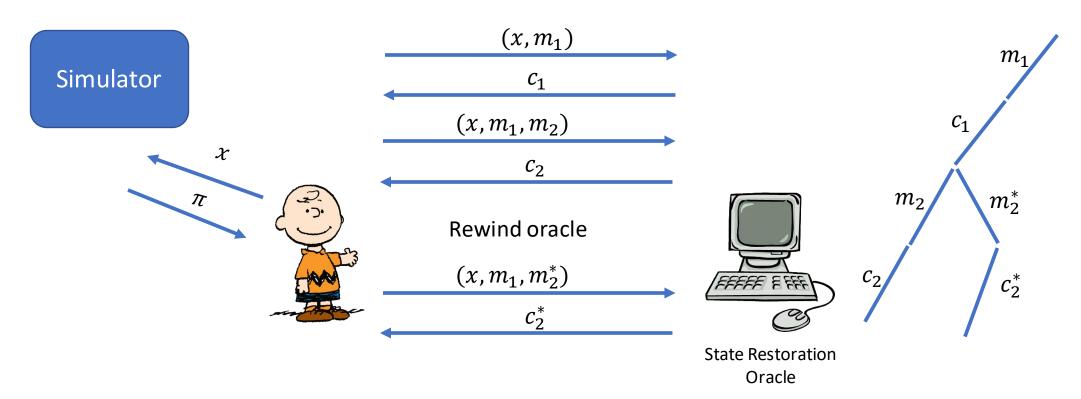


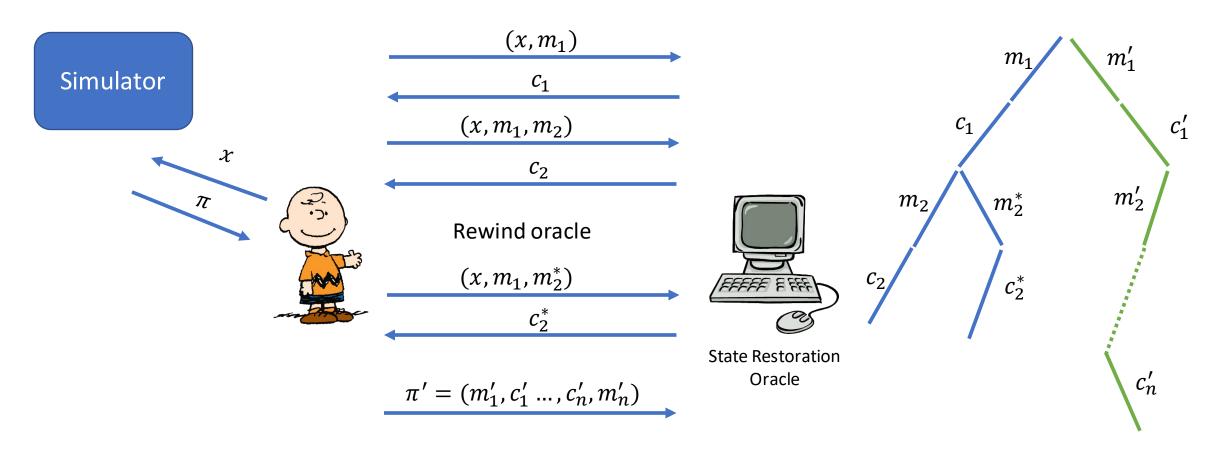
Oracle



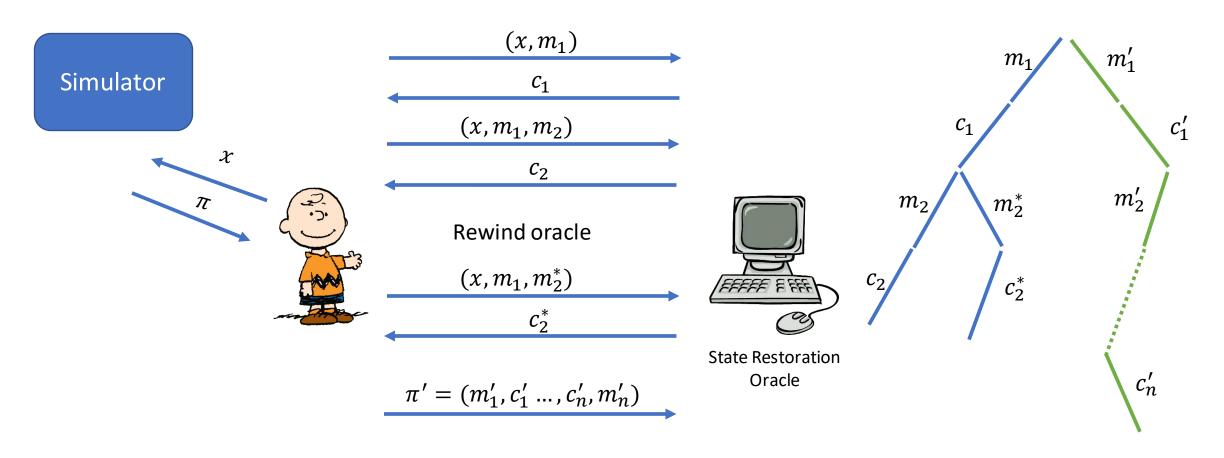








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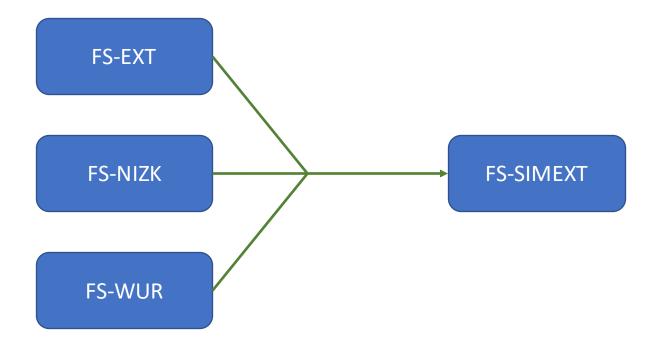
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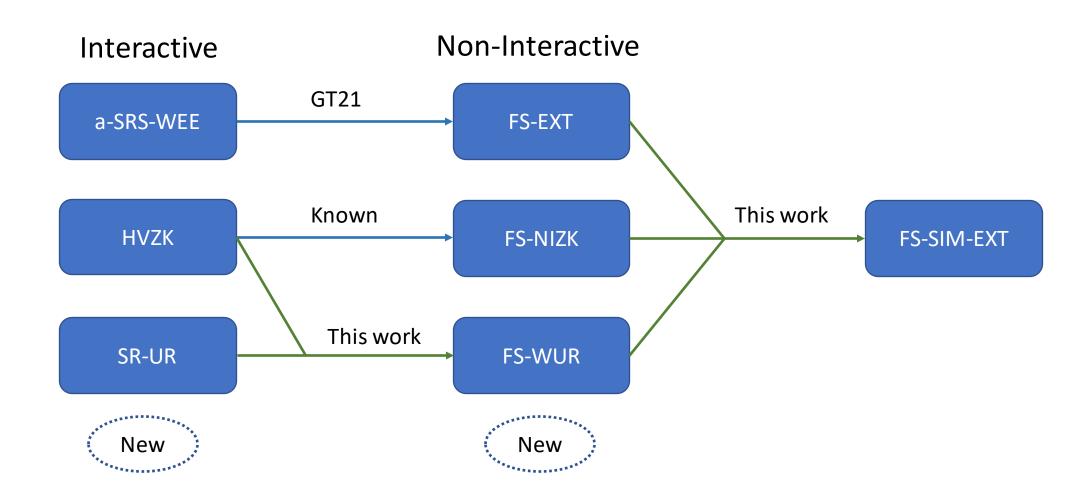
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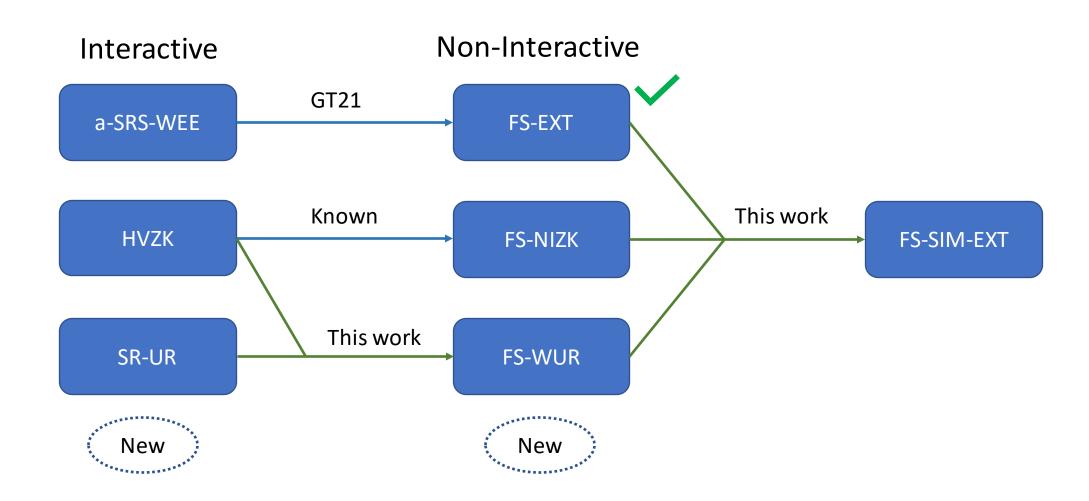


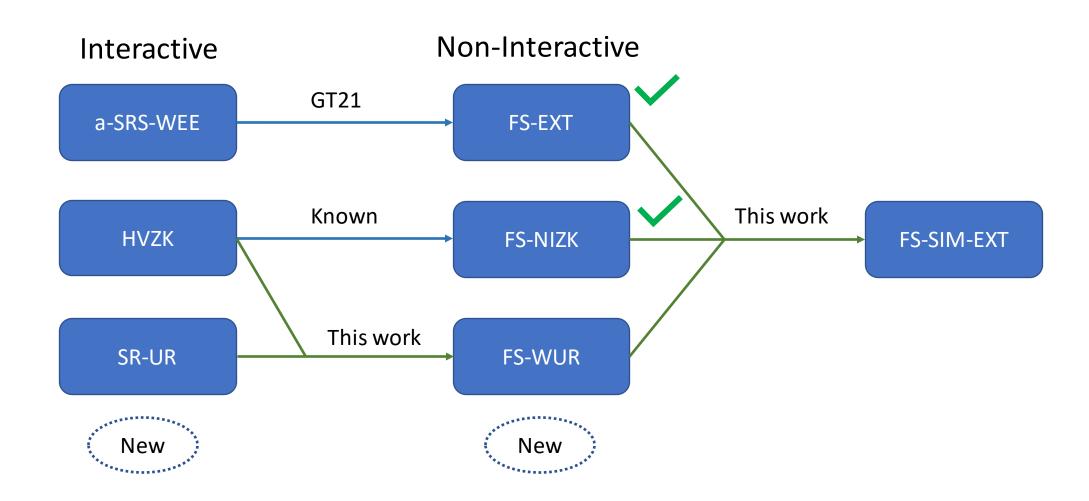
 $FS(\Pi)$ has weak UR

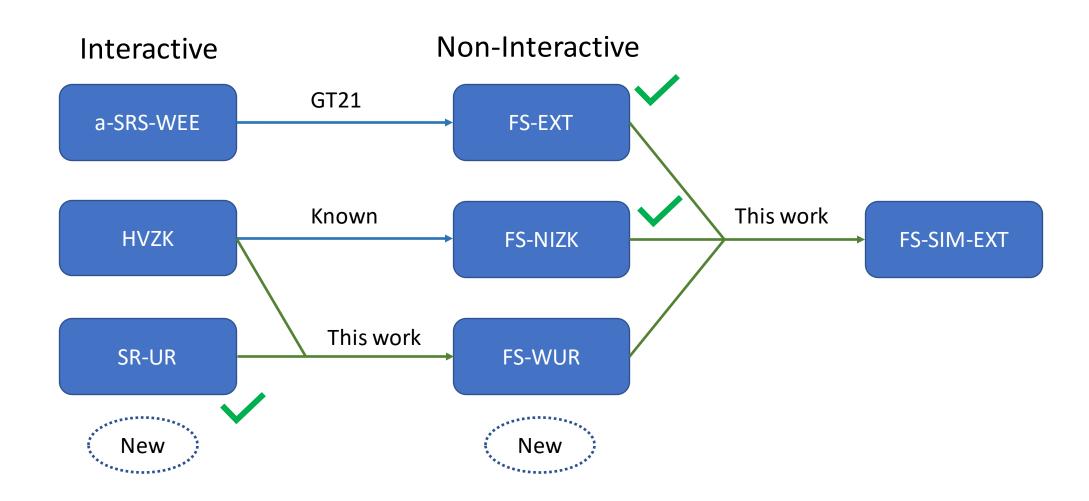
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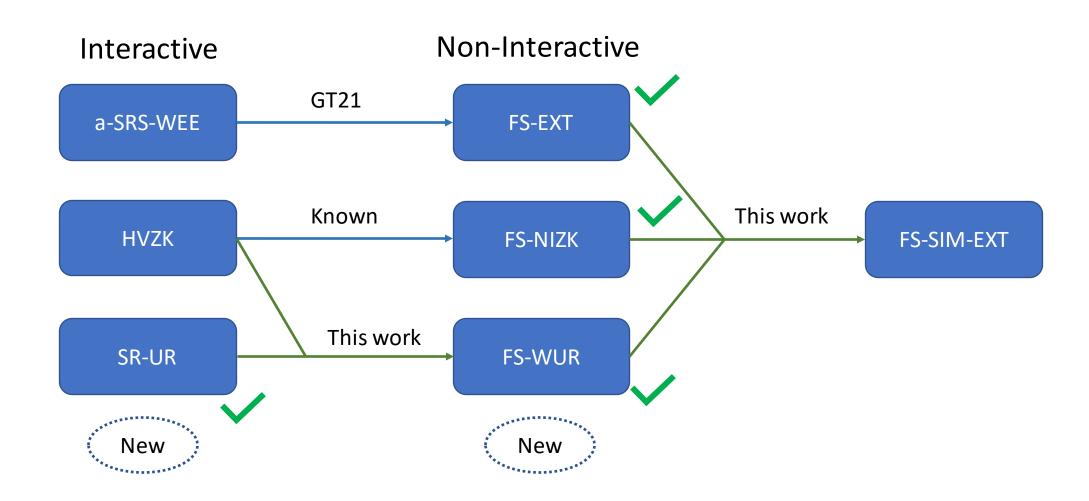


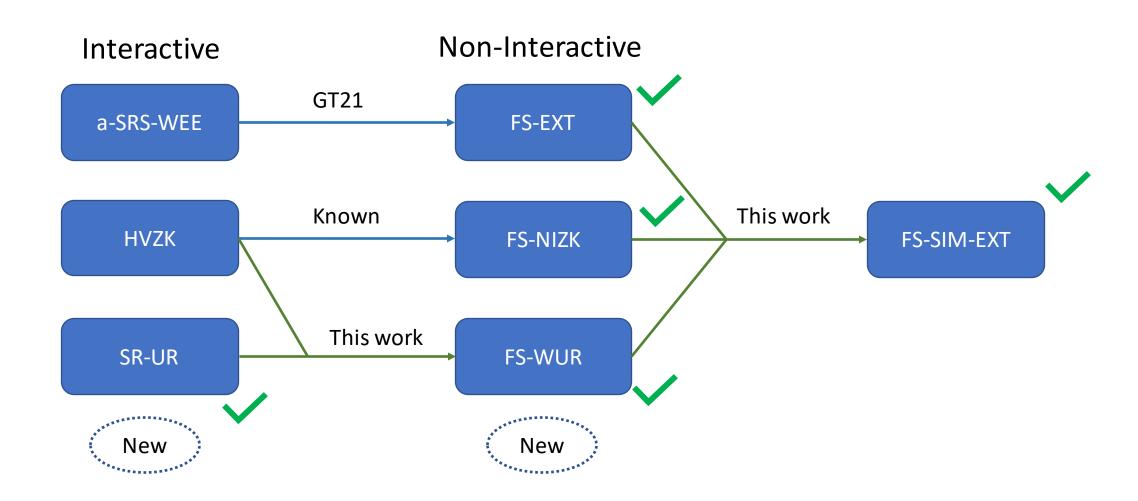












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- Break Dlog using Schwartz-Zippel lemma.

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(Using Schwartz-Zippel)

$$a_1\widetilde{c_i}c_i + a_1c_i^2 = 0$$

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$$a_1 = 0$$

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Result

- Fiat-Shamir BP is simulation extractable in the AGM and RO model.
- Concretely,

Let \mathcal{E} be an FS-EXT extractor for Π_{FS} . $\exists \mathcal{E}^*$ for Π_{FS} : $\forall (\mathcal{P}^*, \mathcal{D}^*)$ against Π_{FS} that makes q_1 RO queries and q_2 simulation queries, $\exists (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{D})$ against FS-EXT, and $\exists \mathcal{A}$ against FS-WUR:

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\Pi_{\mathsf{FS}},\mathcal{R}}^{\mathsf{FS-SIM-EXT}}(\mathcal{S}_{\mathsf{FS}},\mathcal{E}^*,\mathcal{P}^*,\mathcal{D}^*) \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\Pi_{\mathsf{FS}},\mathcal{R}}^{\mathsf{FS-EXT}}(\mathsf{H},\mathcal{E},\mathcal{P},\mathcal{D}) + \underline{q_2} \cdot \mathbf{Adv}_{\Pi_{\mathsf{FS}},\mathcal{R}}^{\mathsf{FS-WUR}}(\mathcal{A},\mathcal{S}_{\mathsf{FS}})$$

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Attema, Fehr and Klooß [ATK21]: Only O(q) multiplicative loss in the

knowledge error incurred by multi-round FS without the AGM!

Improved result without AGM (WIP)

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