An efficient self-blindable attribute-based credential scheme

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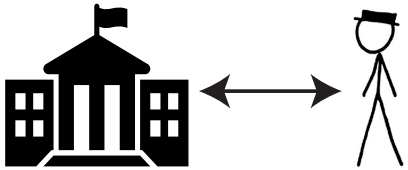

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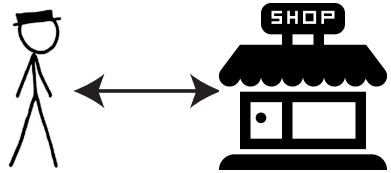

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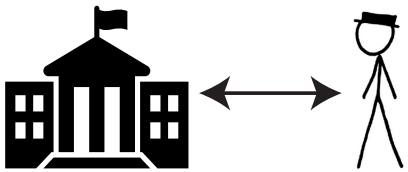

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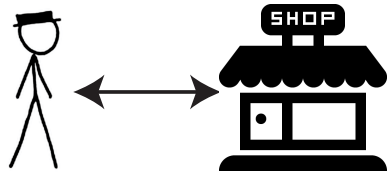

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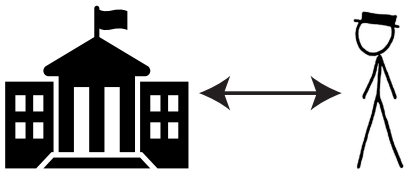

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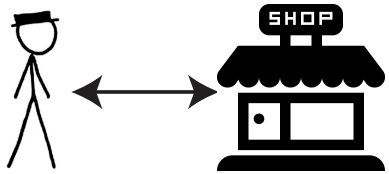

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Known Exponent Assumption

Given G_1 and $P, P^a \in G_1$, the only way to output R, R^a is to take $r \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ and output $(P^r, (P^a)^r) \Rightarrow$ implies LRSW assumption.

Performance

Comparison of our scheme (254 bits) with Idemix (IRMA project, `www.irmacard.org`, 1024 bits $\rightsquigarrow$ 144 bits)

# attributes		prover		verifier	
total	discl.	This work	Idemix	This work	Idemix
6	1	2.9	11.7	5.7	11.2
9	1	3.4	14.3	8.0	14.0
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6	5	2.1	7.6	5.9	9.2
9	8	2.4	7.4	7.9	10.7
12	11	2.8	7.5	9.9	12.0