# Zero-knowledge Proofs 

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Proof Systems

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Prover


Verifier


Peggy
Victor



Pedrinho


Valeria


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## Something is true

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Examples of provers and verifiers

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Me
Gmail

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Mobil Phone

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You

Security at Club

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Cryptobro
Block Builder

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\mathscr{L}_{R}=\{x \text { s.t. } \exists w \text { s.t. }(x, w) \in R\}
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## $R=\{(x, w): x$ is a name and $w$ an age above 18


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"I am in $\mathscr{L}_{R}$ ": there exists a $w$ (my age) such that $(\mathrm{me}, w) \in R$

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I should know it

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The prover output is almost random, therefore, could be anything

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(NP) can be proven in
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Famous secret-key, public-key couple:

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s k \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_{q}, \quad p k=g^{s k}
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## Lookup Tables




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## Importance

- Building blocks to many systems
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- Flexibility: zero-knowledge/succinctness/pre-computable


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# iiiGracias!!! 

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