

log_deriv

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The manuscript “SLVer Bullet: Straight-Line Verification for Bulletproofs” by Goodell, Salazar, Slaughter, Szramowski contains a modification of the verification equations obtained by Eagen in the manuscript “Zero Knowledge Proofs of Elliptic Curve Inner Products from Principal Divisors and Weil Reciprocity”. Below is a modification of a SAGE implementation by Eagen in order to check these equations on particular examples. There also seems to be an additional $2y$ factor in the terms in SLVer Bullet. We also provide the corresponding values for these modified expressions.

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[1]: # Initialize an elliptic curve
p=103
Fp = GF(p) # Base Field
A = 0
B = 7
E = EllipticCurve(GF(p), [A,B])
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[2]: K.<x> = Fp[]
L.<y> = K[]
eqn = y^2 - x^3 - A * x - B
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[3]: # Returns line passing through points, works for all points and returns 1 for  $D=0$ 
↳+  $D = 0$ 
def line(A, B):
    if A == 0 and B == 0:
        return 1
    else:
        [a, b, c] = Matrix([A, B, -(A+B)]).transpose().kernel().basis()[0]
        return a*x + b*y + c
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[4]: # Works for  $A == B$  but not  $A == -A$ , as the line has no slope or intercept
def slope_intercept(A, B):
    [a, b, c] = Matrix([A, B, -(A+B)]).transpose().kernel().basis()[0]
    return (-a/b, -c/b)
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[5]: # Fails at 0
def eval_point(f, P):
    (x, y) = P.xy()
    return f(x=x, y=y)
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[6]: #  $f(x) + y g(x) \rightarrow (f(x), g(x))$ , should reduce mod eqn first
def get_polys(D):
    return ( K(D(y=0)), K(D(y=1) - D(y=0)) )
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[7]: # Accepts arbitrary list of points, including duplicates and inverses, and
      ↪ constructs function
      # intersecting exactly those points if they form a principal divisor (i.e. sum
      ↪ to zero).
def construct_function(Ps):
    # List of intermediate sums/principal divisors, removes 0
    xs = [(P, line(P, -P)) for P in Ps if P != 0]

    while len(xs) != 1:
        assert(sum(P for (P, _) in xs) == 0)
        xs2 = []

        # Carry extra point forward
        if mod(len(xs), 2) == 1:
            x0 = xs[0]
            xs = xs[1:]
        else:
            x0 = None

        # Combine the functions for all pairs
        for n in range(0, floor(len(xs)/2)):
            (A, aNum) = xs[2*n]
            (B, bNum) = xs[2*n+1]

            # Divide out intermediate (P, -P) factors
            num = L((aNum * bNum * line(A, B)).mod(eqn))
            den = line(A, -A) * line(B, -B)
            D = num / K(den)

            # Add new element
            xs2.append((A+B, D))

        if x0 != None:
            xs2.append(x0)

        xs = xs2

    assert(xs[0][0] == 0)

    # Normalize, might fail but negl probability for random points. Must be
    ↪ done for zkps
    # although free to use any coefficient
    return D / D(x=0, y=0)
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[8]: # Random principal divisor with n points
def random_principal(n):
    # For general elliptic curves, might want to clear cofactor depending on
    ↪ application
    # Works for arbitrary curve groups
    Ps = [E.random_element() for _ in range(0, n-1)]
    Ps.append(-sum(Ps))
    return Ps
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[9]: N=5
DIV = random_principal(N) #create a random principal divisor with N elements
    ↪ in its support
D = construct_function(DIV)
(a,b)=get_polys(D)
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[10]: Dx = D.differentiate(x)
Dy = D.differentiate(y)
Dz = Dx + Dy * ((3*x^2 + A) / (2*y))
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[11]: #Generate random challenge points, compute slope lam and intercept cons
[A0, A1] = [E.random_element() for _ in range(0, 2)]
(lam,cons)=slope_intercept(A0,A1)
A2 = -(A0 + A1)
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[12]: #the common expression for the numerator appearing in Eagen and for the terms
    ↪ c1 and c3 in SLVer Bullet
NUM=2*y*Dx+(3*x^2+A)*b
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    ↪ c1 and c3 in SLVer Bullet
DENOM=D*(3*x^2+A-lam*2*y)

print("Value of expression for the logarithmic derivative of L(div f):")
print(sum(eval_point(1/(cons-(y-lam*x)), P) for P in DIV))

print("Value of expression derived by Eagen for the logarithmic derivative of
    ↪ the norm:")
print(sum(eval_point(NUM, P)/eval_point(DENOM, P) for P in [A0, A1, A2]))

#c2, b3, c4, b4 according to SLVer Bullet with 2y factor in the denominator
    ↪ removed
c2=- (2*lam*A0[1]*(2*A2[1]*eval_point(Dx, A2)+(3*A2[0]^2+A)*eval_point(b,
    ↪ A2))*(3*A0[0]^2+A-2*A0[1]*(lam+A1[0]-A0[0])))
b2=A2[1]*eval_point(D, A2)*(3*A0[0]^2+A-2*A0[1]*lam)*(A1[0]-A0[0])
c4=(2*lam*A1[1]*(2*A2[1]*eval_point(Dx, A2)+(3*A2[0]^2+A)*eval_point(b,
    ↪ A2))*(3*A1[1]^2+A-2*A1[1]*(lam+A1[0]-A0[0])))
b4=A2[1]*eval_point(D, A2)*(3*A1[0]^2+A-2*A1[1]*lam)*(A1[0]-A0[0])
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print("Value of expression derived in SLVer Bullet for the logarithmic
↳derivative of the norm (with extra 2y factors in denominator removed):")
print(c2/b2+c4/b4+sum(eval_point(NUM, P)/eval_point(DENOM, P) for P in [A0,
↳A1]))

#expressions given in SLVer Bullet without correcting the denominators
NUMp=2*y*Dx+(3*x^2+A)*b
DENOMp=2*y*D*(3*x^2+A-lam*2*y) #here 2y is added
c2p=-(2*lam*A0[1]*(2*A2[1]*eval_point(Dx, A2)+(3*A2[0]^2+A)*eval_point(b,
↳A2)))+(3*A0[0]^2+A-2*A0[1]*(lam+A1[0]-A0[0]))
b2p=2*A0[1]*A2[1]*eval_point(D, A2)*(3*A0[0]^2+A-2*A0[1]*lam)*(A1[0]-A0[0])
↳#here 2y is added
c4p=(2*lam*A1[1]*(2*A2[1]*eval_point(Dx, A2)+(3*A2[0]^2+A)*eval_point(b,
↳A2)))+(3*A1[1]^2+A-2*A1[1]*(lam+A1[0]-A0[0]))
b4p=2*A1[1]*A2[1]*eval_point(D, A2)*(3*A1[0]^2+A-2*A1[1]*lam)*(A1[0]-A0[0])
↳#here 2y is added
print("Value of expression derived in SLVer Bullet for the logarithmic
↳derivative of the norm as given in the manuscript:")
print(c2p/b2p+c4p/b4p+sum(eval_point(NUMp, P)/eval_point(DENOMp, P) for P in
↳[A0, A1]))

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Value of expression for the logarithmic derivative of $L(\text{div } f)$:

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Value of expression derived by Eagen for the logarithmic derivative of the norm:

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Value of expression derived in SLVer Bullet for the logarithmic derivative of the norm (with extra 2y factors in denominator removed):

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Value of expression derived in SLVer Bullet for the logarithmic derivative of the norm as given in the manuscript:

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