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# 1 Introduction

‘LibTMCG’ is a C++ library for creating secure and verifiable online card games. The library contains a sort of useful classes, algorithms, and high-level protocols to support an application programmer in writing such software. The most remarkable feature is the absence of a trusted third party (TTP), i.e., neither a central game server nor trusted hardware components are necessary. Thus, with the present library there is no need for an independent referee, because the applied protocols provide a basic level of confidentiality and verifiability by itself. Consequently, the library is well-suited for peer-to-peer (P2P) environments where no TTP is available. Of course, we cannot avoid that malicious players share information about their private cards, but the protocols ensure that the shuffle of the deck is performed randomly (presumed that at least one player is honest) and thus the cards will be distributed uniformly among the players. Further, no coalition can learn the private cards of a player against his will (except for trivial conclusions). The corresponding cryptographic problem, actually called “Mental Poker”, has been studied since 1979 (Shamir, Rivest, and Adleman) by many authors. LibTMCG provides the first practical implementation of such sophisticated cryptographic protocols.

The security and the verifiability rely on advanced cryptographic techniques—the so-called zero-knowledge proofs. Using these ‘building blocks’ the high-level protocols minimize the effect of coalitions and preserve the confidentiality of the players’ strategy, i.e., the players are not required to reveal their cards at the end of the game in order to show that they did not cheat. This important property is often required in card games like Poker, where not all cards are opened during the play and the applied individual strategy must be kept secret.

LibTMCG is *Free Software* according to the definition of the Free Software Foundation. The source code is released under the GNU *General Public License* Version 2.

## 1.1 Further Reading

The cryptographic background and a detailed discussion of the implementation issues are beyond the scope of this manual. The interested reader is referred to the following scientific papers:

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Technical Report A-98-14, University of Lübeck, 1998.

<http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/summary?doi=10.1.1.29.6679>

[BS03]: ADAM BARNETT and NIGEL P. SMART. *Mental Poker Revisited*.

In K.G. Paterson (Ed.): *Cryptography and Coding 2003*, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 2898, pp. 370–383, 2003.

[http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-540-40974-8\\_29](http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-540-40974-8_29)

[Gr05]: JENS GROTH. *A Verifiable Secret Shuffle of Homomorphic Encryptions*.

Cryptology ePrint Archive, Report 2005/246, 2005.

<http://eprint.iacr.org/2005/246>

[Gr10]: JENS GROTH. *A Verifiable Secret Shuffle of Homomorphic Encryptions*.

Journal of Cryptology, Volume 23 Issue 4, pp. 546–579, 2010.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s00145-010-9067-9>

[HSSV09]: SEBASTIAAN DE HOOGH, BERRY SCHOENMAKERS, BORIS SKORIC, and JOSE VILLEGAS. *Verifiable Rotation of Homomorphic Encryptions*.

Proceedings of Public Key Cryptography 2009, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 5443, pp. 393–410, 2009.

[http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-642-00468-1\\_22](http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-642-00468-1_22)

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Offene Systeme (ISSN 1619-0114), 4:10–30, 2004.

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**[St05]:** HEIKO STAMER. *Efficient Electronic Gambling: An Extended Implementation of the Toolbox for Mental Card Games.*

Proceedings of the Western European Workshop on Research in Cryptology (WEWoRC 2005), Lecture Notes in Informatics P-74, pp. 1–12, 2005.

[http://www.nongnu.org/libtmcg/WEWoRC2005\\_proc.pdf](http://www.nongnu.org/libtmcg/WEWoRC2005_proc.pdf)

**[FS87]:** AMOS FIAT and ADI SHAMIR. *How To Prove Yourself: Practical Solutions to Identification and Signature Problems.*

Advances in Cryptology – Proceedings of CRYPTO’ 86. Lecture Notes in Computer Science 263, pp. 186–194, 1987.

[http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/3-540-47721-7\\_12](http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/3-540-47721-7_12)

**[BR93, BR95]:** MIHIR BELLARE and PHILLIP ROGAWAY. *Random Oracles are Practical: A Paradigm for Designing Efficient Protocols.*

Proceedings of 1st ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security, pp. 62–73, 1993.

<http://cseweb.ucsd.edu/~mihir/papers/ro.html>

**[BR96]:** MIHIR BELLARE and PHILLIP ROGAWAY. *The Exact Security of Digital Signatures – How to Sign with RSA and Rabin.*

Advances in Cryptology – Proceedings of EUROCRYPT’ 96, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 1070, pp. 399–416, 1996.

<http://web.cs.ucdavis.edu/~rogaway/papers/exact.pdf>

**[Bo01]:** DAN BONEH. *Simplified OAEP for the RSA and Rabin Functions.*

Advances in Cryptology – Proceedings of CRYPTO’ 01, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 2139, pp. 275–291, 2001.

<http://crypto.stanford.edu/~dabo/abstracts/saep.html>

**[GMR98]:** ROSARIO GENNARO, DANIELE MICCIANCIO, and TAL RABIN. *An Efficient Non-Interactive Statistical Zero-Knowledge Proof System for Quasi-Safe Prime Products.*

Proceedings of 5th ACM Conference on Computer and Communication Security, pp. 67–72, 1998.

<https://cseweb.ucsd.edu/~daniele/papers/GMR.html>

**[JL00]:** STANISLAW JARECKI and ANNA LYSYANSKAYA. *Adaptively Secure Threshold Cryptography: Introducing Concurrency, Removing Erasures.*

Advances in Cryptology – Proceedings of EUROCRYPT’ 00, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 1807, pp. 221–242, 2000.

<http://www.iacr.org/archive/eurocrypt2000/1807/18070223-new.pdf>

**[CKPS01]:** CHRISTIAN CACHIN, KLAUS KURSAWE, FRANK PETZOLD, and VICTOR SHOUP. *Secure and Efficient Asynchronous Broadcast Protocols.*

Advances in Cryptology – Proceedings of CRYPTO’ 01, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 2139, pp. 524–541, 2001.

<http://shoup.net/papers/ckps.pdf>

## 1.2 Getting Started

This manual describes the application programming interface of LibTMCG. All relevant data types, public classes and security parameters are explained. The reader should have an advanced knowledge in applied cryptography and C++ programming. Reference is made at this point to the famous *Handbook of Applied Cryptography* for a brief introduction on the first topic. For the underlying communication model and some broadcast primitives the outstanding textbook *Introduction to Reliable and Secure Distributed Programming* and the corresponding exercises are recommended.

This document follows, in style and rarely in phrasing, the *Libcrypt Reference Manual*. Thus don't be surprised, if you recognize some obvious analogies.

## 1.3 Preliminaries

The most card games are played with a regular card deck, i.e., cards where the pattern on the front side (face) determines the card type (e.g. the King of Spades ♠, the Seven of Hearts ♡, the Ace of Club ♣, or the Jack of Diamonds ◇) and where the back sides (face down) of all cards are indistinguishable. Only such 'regular' card decks are supported by LibTMCG and the provided card encoding schemes.

### 1.3.1 Terminology

The following list defines some common terms that are subsequently used in the manual.

**Player:** A *player* is an active participant in an electronic card game.

**Observer:** An *observer* is an passive party who watches the game.

**Card:** The term *card* means the electronic representation of a playing card.

**Card Type:** The *card type* is a nonnegative integer which corresponds to the pattern on the picture side of a real playing card. We assume here that such a natural encoding always exists.

**Masking:** *Masking* is a process which aim is to transform the card representation such that the input card and the result cannot be linked (except for trivial conclusions). Roughly speaking, masking is the (re-)encryption of a card representation such that the original card type is preserved.

**Card Secret:** The *card secret* contains all random values used in a masking operation. These values must be kept secret until the card is publicly revealed. Otherwise the corresponding output of the masking transformation is linkable and other players may learn the card type.

**Open Card:** An *open card* is a card whose type can be easily determined by all players and usually by observers as well.

**Masked Card:** A *masked card* (also known as face-down card) is a card whose type is unknown to a subset of players. It can be only revealed, if all players cooperate in a common computation of the type.

**Private Card:** A *private card* is a card whose type is only known to its owner. As long as the owner does not incorporate the type of the private card stays hidden to all other players (except for trivial conclusions).

**Stack:** A *stack* is a not necessarily disjoint subset of the whole card deck.

**Prover and Verifier:** The *prover* is a player who shows some property to another party called *verifier*. For example, he wants to show that a masking operation was performed correctly, i.e., the card type is preserved by the transformation.

### 1.3.2 Security

“Mental Poker” solutions cannot prevent that malicious players exchange private information, for example, by telephone or Internet chat. Cryptographic protocols can only minimize the effect of such colluding parties and should try to protect the confidentiality for honest players. But even this small protection often relies on number-theoretical assumptions which are only believed to be true, i.e., problems like factoring products of large primes or computing discrete logarithms are only believed to be hard. That means, strict mathematical proofs<sup>1</sup> for the hardness of these problems are not known, and it is not very likely that such proofs will ever be found. However,

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<sup>1</sup> For instance, a “tight reduction” to a known hard problem in the sense of complexity theory.

almost all public key cryptosystems rely on such assumptions and therefore you should not care about this issue, as long as reasonable security parameters are chosen and practical quantum computers are out of range.

LibTMCG was originally designed to provide security in the “honest-but-curious” (aka “semi-honest” or passive) adversary model. That means, all participants follow the protocol instructions properly but they may gather information and share them within a coalition to obtain an advantage in the game. Thus we are basically not concerned with robustness and availability issues which are hard to solve in almost asynchronous environments like the Internet. However, the most operations are verifiable such that cheating can be detected. To obtain this verifiability, the protocols deploy so-called zero-knowledge proofs which yield no further knowledge but the validity of a statement. The soundness error of these proofs is bounded by a fixed security parameter  $\kappa$ . Depending on your application scenario this parameter should be chosen such that there is a reasonable tradeoff between the cheating probability (which is less or equal than  $2^{-\kappa}$ ) and the produced computational and communication complexity. LibTMCG also uses so-called zero-knowledge proofs of knowledge due to Bellare and Goldreich (see *On defining proofs of knowledge*, Advances in Cryptology – Proceedings of CRYPTO’ 92, 1992), however, for convenience we will not further distinguish between these building blocks. Finally, some of the protocols (e.g. the efficient shuffle argument by Groth) are only zero-knowledge with respect to a so-called “honest verifier” who follows all protocol instructions faithfully. Since version 1.2.0 of LibTMCG we use a two-party version of a distributed coin flipping protocol by Jarecki and Lysyanskaya [JL00] to protect against malicious verifiers in that case.

Unfortunately, in practice there is another substantial problem with the detection of cheaters. It requires that an authenticated broadcast channel has been set up, where all players have read/write access. There exist protocols (so-called “reliable broadcast” or even “atomic broadcast”) for creating such a channel, however, only under the additional condition that the number of parties  $t$  who act faulty or even malicious (so-called “Byzantine adversary”) is reasonable small. In a full asynchronous environment like the Internet resilience is achievable for  $t < n/3$  only, where  $n$  denotes the total number of parties in the protocol. LibTMCG provides a well-known protocol due to Bracha (see *An asynchronous  $[(n - 1)/3]$ -resilient consensus protocol*, Proceedings of 3rd ACM Symposium on Principles of Distributed Computing, 1984) in a slightly optimized variant by Cachin, Kursawe, Petzold, and Shoup [CKPS01]. Please note that in most cases the application programmer must decide, where the use of a broadcast channel is necessary and appropriate. Thus, without reliable broadcast you should take into account that not necessarily the player acting as prover is the source of evil, if a verification procedure fails. This level of uncertainty is the main reason for our still limited adversary model.

Note that it is not known, whether the used protocols retain their zero-knowledge property, if they are composed and executed in a concurrent setting. Thus the application programmer should be careful and avoid parallel protocol sessions. It is an open research project to create a protocol suite whose security can be proven in the UC-framework of Canetti (see *Universally Composable Security: A New Paradigm for Cryptographic Protocols*, Cryptology ePrint Archive: Report 2000/067) or even more elaborated UC-frameworks (see e.g. Dennis Hofheinz and Victor Shoup: *GNUC: A New Universal Composability Framework*, Cryptology ePrint Archive: Report 2011/303). Furthermore, the protocols should employ concurrent zero-knowledge proofs (see Cynthia Dwork, Moni Naor, and Amit Sahai: *Concurrent Zero-Knowledge*, Journal of the ACM 51(6):851–898, 2004).

Please also note, that in some protocols the Fiat-Shamir heuristic [FS87] is used to turn interactive special honest verifier zero-knowledge arguments resp. proofs into non-interactive versions in the random oracle model. However, there are some theoretical (see e.g. Nir Bitansky, Dana Dachman-Soled, Sanjam Garg, Abhishek Jain, Yael Tauman Kalai, Adriana Lopez-Alt, and Daniel Wichs: *Why ‘Fiat-Shamir for Proofs’ Lacks a Proof*, TCC 2013, LNCS 7785, 2013) and practical (see David Bernhard, Olivier Pereira, Bogdan Warinschi: *How Not to Prove Yourself:*



*Pitfalls of the Fiat-Shamir Heuristic and Applications to Helios*, ASIACRYPT 2012, LNCS 7658, 2012) concerns that show the insecurity of Fiat-Shamir heuristic w.r.t. the soundness of the argument resp. proof. That means, if deterministic hash functions are used as public coin [BR93], then the random oracle assumption obviously does not hold and therefore a malicious prover can manipulate the challenges in order to cheat and thus violates the soundness property. On the other hand, the Fiat-Shamir heuristic, and in general the non-interactiveness of the transformed protocols, protect against a malicious verifier. Thus it is another important measure to deal with the limitation of honest verifier zero-knowledge proofs resp. arguments of knowledge without losing their efficiency. However, non-interactive protocols are necessarily malleable (when used without unique identifiers), and the cheating verifier can generate a convincing proof of knowledge by copying one sent by the prover in a previous iteration of the protocol. This issue must be addressed by the application programmer, for example, by using fresh randomness in each card or stack operation which should be verifiable.

LibTMCG was carefully implemented with respect to timing attacks (see Paul C. Kocher: *Cryptanalysis of Diffie-Hellman, RSA, DSS, and other cryptosystems using timing attacks*, CRYPTO '95, LNCS 963, 1995). Therefore we lose some efficiency, e.g., during modular exponentiations. However, it is strongly recommended to leave the timing attack protection turned on, unless you know exactly where it is really not needed.

**Security Advice:** We have implemented all cryptographic primitives according to the cited research papers and to the best of our knowledge. However, we can not eliminate any possibility of contained flaws or bugs, because the implementation of such complex protocols is always an error-prone process. Moreover, the scientific results are sometimes controversial or even wrong. Thus we encourage readers with advanced cryptographic background to review given references and the source code of LibTMCG. Please report any complaint or correction proposal!

### 1.3.3 Communication

Most cryptographic protocols are designed for a *synchronous* communication model, i.e., there is a known upper bound on message transmission delays. That means, the time period between the point at which a protocol message is sent and the point at which the message is delivered is smaller than this bound. Additionally, often the assumption is made that the computation proceeds in synchronized rounds and that the parties are connected by a complete network of private (i.e. untappable and authenticated) point-to-point channels.

There is an important distinction between *fully synchronous* and *partially synchronous* communication model with respect to coverage and the resulting adversarial power. However, a detailed discussion of such issues is beyond the scope of this manual. The reader is referred to the famous textbook *Introduction to Reliable and Secure Distributed Programming* for an introduction and discussion on that topic.

## 1.4 Preparation

LibTMCG depends on three other basic libraries. Therefore you will need the corresponding development files to build LibTMCG and your application properly. The following list gives a short exposition of the used features and specifies the required versions:

- GNU Multiple Precision Arithmetic Library (`libgmp`), Version  $\geq 4.2.0$

The library provides a powerful framework for performing arbitrary precision arithmetic on integers. Further reasons for choosing this dependency are the license compatibility, the portability, the vital maintenance, and of course, the reasonable performance.

- GNU Crypto Library (`libgcrypt`), Version  $\geq 1.6.0$

The library provides some basic cryptographic algorithms (e.g. SHA-256, AES256, El-Gamal, DSA, RSA) and an easily accessible interface for cryptographically strong pseudo

random numbers. If a version  $\geq 1.7.0$  is found, then also the hash function SHA-3 will be used.

- GNU Privacy Guard Error Code Library (`libgpg-error`), Version  $\geq 1.12$

This library defines common error values, e.g., returned by the GNU Crypto Library.

We suppose that the reader is familiar with these libraries because their correct installation, configuration, and usage is crucial to the security of the entire application.

## 1.5 Header Files and Name Spaces

The interface definitions of classes, data types, and security parameters<sup>2</sup> are provided by the central header file `libTMCG.hh`. You have to include this file in all of your sources, either directly or through some other included file. Thus often you will simply write:

```
#include <libTMCG.hh>
```

There are no uniform C++ name spaces for the most parts of the library. Some classes and data types have the common prefix `TMCG_*` resp. `VTMF_*` while others are composed of the author names and an abbreviation of the title from the related research paper. Further there are some function names and types that are prepended by `tmcg_*`. Those interfaces should be used with care, because later they may be removed or replaced.

## 1.6 Building Sources

If you want to compile a source file including the `libTMCG.hh` header, you must make sure that the compiler can find it in the directory hierarchy. This is achieved by adding the path of the corresponding directory to the compilers include file search path.

However, the path to the include file has been determined at the time the source is configured. To solve this problem, LibTMCG ships with a small helper program `libTMCG-config` that knows the path to the include file and a few other configuration options. The options that need to be added to the compiler invocation are output by the `--cflags` option to `libTMCG-config`. The following example shows how it can be used at the command line:

```
g++ -c foo.cc 'libTMCG-config --cflags'
```

Adding the output of `'libTMCG-config --cflags'` to the compilers command line will ensure that the compiler can find the LibTMCG header file.

A similar problem occurs when linking your program with LibTMCG. Again, the compiler has to find the library files. Therefore the correct installation path has to be added to the library search path. To achieve this, the option `--libs` of `libTMCG-config` can be used. For convenience, this option also outputs all other stuff (e.g. required third-party libraries) that is required to link your program with LibTMCG (in particular, the `'-lTMCG'` option).

The example shows how to link `foo.o` with LibTMCG to a program called `foo`:

```
g++ -o foo foo.o 'libTMCG-config --libs'
```

Of course, you can also combine both examples to a single command by calling the shell script `libTMCG-config` with both options:

```
g++ -o foo foo.c 'libTMCG-config --cflags --libs'
```

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<sup>2</sup> Some security parameters are fixed at compile time of LibTMCG. Please don't change anything unless you know exactly what you are doing! Beside the apparent security concerns you will probably break the compatibility with other applications using LibTMCG.

### 1.6.1 Building Sources Using GNU Automake

You can use GNU Automake to obtain automatically generated Makefiles. If you do so then you do not have to care about finding and invoking the `libTMCG-config` script at all. LibTMCG provides an Automake extension that does all the stupid work for you.

```
AM_PATH_LIBTMCG ([minimum-version], [action-if-found], [Macro]
                 [action-if-not-found])
```

Check whether LibTMCG (at least version *minimum-version*, if given) exists on the host system. If it is found, execute *action-if-found*, otherwise do *action-if-not-found*.

Additionally, the macro defines `LIBTMCG_CFLAGS` to the flags needed for compilation in order to find the necessary header files, and `LIBTMCG_LIBS` to the corresponding linker flags.

You can use the defined variables in your `Makefile.am` as follows:

```
AM_CPPFLAGS = $(LIBTMCG_CFLAGS)
LDADD = $(LIBTMCG_LIBS)
```

## 1.7 Initializing the Library

The first step is the initialization of LibTMCG. The following function must be invoked early in your program, i.e., before you make use of any other capability of LibTMCG.

```
bool init_libTMCG (const bool force_secmem =false, const bool [Function]
                  gmp_secmem =false, const size_t max_secmem =32768)
```

The function checks whether the installed third-party libraries match their required versions. Further it initializes them and returns `true`, if everything was sound. Otherwise `false` is returned and an appropriate error message is sent to `std::cerr`.

The three optional arguments define the behaviour concerning the allocation of secure memory (i.e. memory that is not paged out to disk and that is overwritten by zeros before released) from libcrypt. By default no secure memory is used. If `force_secmem` is true, than those parts of LibTMCG that use the GNU Crypto Library will allocate and use secure memory for private keys or other secrets. However, the most classes, algorithms, and protocols of LibTMCG does not respect this option yet, because they store their secrets with the GNU Multiple Precision Arithmetic Library. With the second option `gmp_secmem` the default memory allocator of this library is replaced to use secure memory. Unfortunately, there is no way to specify whether a big integer needs secure memory and thus all memory is allocated in this fashion. This may lead to out of memory aborts, because the allocated secure memory is limited (currently 32kB). The limit of libcrypt can be adjusted by the third parameter `max_secmem`, however, probably there are restrictions of the operating system (cf. `RLIMIT_MEMLOCK`).

Additionally, the function `version_libTMCG` returns a string containing the version number of the library in a common format. It is strongly recommended to check, whether the installed version matches your requirements.

```
const std::string version_libTMCG () [Function]
    This function returns the version of the library in the format major.minor.revision.
```

Last but not least, there is a function `identifier_libTMCG` which returns an identifier of LibTMCG including the version, copyright mark and license.

```
const std::string identifier_libTMCG () [Function]
    This function returns an identifier of the library.
```

## 2 Application Programming Interface

Now we start with a description of some important global symbols and structures.

### 2.1 Preprocessor Defined Global Symbols

Please note that the following macros are fixed at compile time of LibTMCG and cannot be changed by your application. They are only provided here for informational purposes.

**TMCG\_MR\_ITERATIONS** [Macro]

Defines the number of iterations for the Miller-Rabin primality test. The default value is 64 which implies a soundness error probability  $\leq 4^{-64}$ .

**TMCG\_MAX\_ZNP\_ITERATIONS** [Macro]

Defines the maximum number of iterations for the prover in cut-and-choose style zero-knowledge protocols of Schindelhauer's toolbox. The default value is 80 which limits the soundness error probability to  $\geq 2^{-80}$ , however, it protects against some obvious denial-of-service attacks from a malicious verifier.

**TMCG\_GROTH\_L\_E** [Macro]

Defines the security parameter  $\ell_e$  of Groth's (interactive) shuffle argument [Gr05]. The default value is 80 which implies a soundness error probability  $\leq 2^{-80}$ . For the intended purposes of LibTMCG this seems to be reasonable.

**TMCG\_DDH\_SIZE** [Macro]

Defines the security parameter (finite field size in bit) of the group  $G$  which is used by the card encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03]. The underlying assumptions are DDH, CDH, and DLOG. The default value is 2048.

**TMCG\_DLSE\_SIZE** [Macro]

Defines the security parameter (subgroup size in bit) of the group  $G$  which is used by the card encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03]. The underlying assumptions are DLSE (related to DDH) and DLOG. The default value is 256.

**TMCG\_AIO\_HIDE\_SIZE** [Macro]

Defines the security parameter for hiding the length of integers in derived classes from `aiounicast`. The default value is 256.

**TMCG\_GCRY\_MD\_ALGO** [Macro]

Defines the main message digest algorithm (i.e. hash function  $h()$ ) for digital signatures with PRab [BR96] and mask generation for Rabin encryption with SEAP [Bo01] in `TMCG_SecretKey`. This algorithm is also used for the construction of a special hash function  $g()$ , which is needed for the Fiat-Shamir heuristic [FS87]. Recently we switched<sup>1</sup> to the hash function SHA-256 (default value `GCRY_MD_SHA256`<sup>2</sup>) for improved collision resistance. Thus we gain a security level of approximately  $2^{128}$ , assuming that a birthday-attack is the best known attack against this message digest.

Please note that the security of the non-interactive zero-knowledge proofs resp. arguments (NIZK) is proved in the so-called random oracle model (ROM), i.e., we suppose that the instantiated hash function  $g()$  behaves like an ideal random function (which obviously cannot hold in a real world scenario with deterministic computations). However, this assumption seems to be reasonable, if the underlying hash function is collision-resistant and if it is carefully implemented with respect to other instantiations [BR93].

<sup>1</sup> In former versions of LibTMCG the default value of this symbol was `GCRY_MD_RMD160`, i.e. the hash algorithm RIPEMD-160 (see Dobbertin, Bosselaers, Preneel: *RIPEMD-160, a strengthened version of RIPEMD*, 1996), which is a function that has only an output length of 160 bit.

<sup>2</sup> This is also a constant defined by the GNU Crypto Library.

**TMCG\_GCRY\_MAC\_ALGO** [Macro]

Defines the message authentication algorithm for authenticated channels established by the class `aiounicast`. The default value is `GCRY_MAC_HMAC_SHA256`<sup>3</sup>, i.e. the HMAC based scheme with hashing algorithm SHA-256.

**TMCG\_GCRY\_ENC\_ALGO** [Macro]

Defines the symmetric encryption algorithm (sometimes also called cipher) for private channels established by the class `aiounicast`. The default value is `GCRY_CIPHER_AES256`<sup>4</sup>, i.e. the cipher AES256, which is used by LibTMCG in CFB (Cipher Feedback) mode.

**TMCG\_KEYID\_SIZE** [Macro]

Defines the length (in characters w.r.t. `TMCG_MPZ_IO_BASE`) for the distinctive suffix of the unique TMCG key identifier. The default value is 8 which spans a reasonable name space for at least  $2^{20}$  different TMCG keys (see `TMCG_PublicKey`). However, sometimes it is required to use even smaller sizes due to artificial protocol restrictions (e.g. the IRC nickname is sometimes restricted to 9 characters).

Each key identifier starts with the string "ID" followed by the decimal encoded value of `TMCG_KEYID_SIZE` and the appended carret symbol "^". The final suffix contains `TMCG_KEYID_SIZE` alphanumerical characters from the self signature of TMCG key. This signature has enough entropy included to be used as unique key identifier.

**TMCG\_KEY\_NIZK\_STAGE1** [Macro]

Defines the security parameter (number of iterations) of the NIZK proof [GMR98] (stage 1) which convince all verifiers that the TMCG key was correctly generated. The default value is 16 which implies a soundness error probability  $\leq d^{-16}$ , where  $d = \gcd(m, \phi(m))$  and  $m$  is part of the public key. This parameter is only relevant for the card encoding scheme of Schindelhauer, where the key has a very special format.

**TMCG\_KEY\_NIZK\_STAGE2** [Macro]

Defines the security parameter (number of iterations) of the NIZK proof [GMR98] (stage 2) which convince all verifiers that the TMCG key was correctly generated. The default value is 128 which implies a soundness error probability  $\leq 2^{-128}$ . This parameter is only relevant for the card encoding scheme of Schindelhauer.

**TMCG\_KEY\_NIZK\_STAGE3** [Macro]

Defines the security parameter (number of iterations) of the NIZK proof [Sc98] (stage 3) which convince all verifiers that the TMCG key was correctly generated. The default value is 128 which implies a soundness error probability  $\leq 2^{-128}$ . This parameter is only relevant for the card encoding scheme of Schindelhauer.

**TMCG\_LIBCRYPT\_VERSION** [Macro]

Defines the required minimum version number of the GNU Crypto Library. The default value is "1.6.0". During the initialization of LibTMCG (see `init_libTMCG`) it is checked, whether the version number of the linked shared object fulfills this condition.

**TMCG\_LIBGMP\_VERSION** [Macro]

Defines the required minimum version number of the GNU Multiple Precision Arithmetic Library. The default value is "4.2.0". During the initialization of LibTMCG (see `init_libTMCG`) it is checked, whether the version number provided by the header file `gmp.h` and used at compile time of LibTMCG fulfills this condition.

<sup>3</sup> This is also a constant defined by the GNU Crypto Library.

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- TMCG\_MAX\_CARDS** [Macro]  
 Defines the maximum number of stackable cards. The default value is 1024.
- TMCG\_MAX\_PLAYERS** [Macro]  
 Defines the maximum number of players. The default value is 32. This parameter is only relevant for the card encoding scheme of Schindelhauer.
- TMCG\_MAX\_TYPEBITS** [Macro]  
 Defines the maximum number of bits to represent the card type in the scheme of Schindelhauer. On the other hand, this value determines the maximum size of the message space in the scheme of Barnett and Smart. The default value is 10 which implies that 1024 different card types are possible. For each type some memory will be allocated, thus this value should be modified very carefully.
- TMCG\_MPZ\_IO\_BASE** [Macro]  
 Defines the input and output base of the `std::iostream` operators `<<` and `>>` which is used to encode large integers (`mpz_t`). The former value was 36 which was some years ago the largest base supported by the GNU Multiple Precision Arithmetic Library. Since version 1.2.0 of LibTMCG the new default value is 62.
- TMCG\_PRAB\_K0** [Macro]  
 Defines the security parameter  $k_0$  (in characters) of the PRab scheme [BR96]. The default value is 20 which implies a security level around  $2^{80}$ .
- TMCG\_QRA\_SIZE** [Macro]  
 Defines the security parameter (size of the modulus  $m = p \cdot q$  in bit) of the TMCG key. The underlying assumptions are QRA and FACTOR. The default value is 2048. This parameter is only relevant for TMCG keys and Schindelhauer's encoding scheme.
- TMCG\_SAEPS0** [Macro]  
 Defines the security parameter  $s_0$  (in characters) of the Rabin-SAEP scheme [Bo01]. The default value is 20 which implies a security level around  $2^{80}$  against CCA (chosen-ciphertext attack).
- TMCG\_HASH\_COMMITMENT** [Macro]  
 Defines whether shortened commitments are used in the shuffle verification procedure of Schindelhauer [Sc98]. The default value is `true`, because this will decrease the communication complexity significantly. However, as an immediate consequence the soundness property is violated, if the hash function `TMCG_GCRY_MD_ALGO` is broken.
- TMCG\_MAX\_FPOWM\_T** [Macro]  
 Defines the maximum size of admissible exponents (in bit) used by our fast exponentiation procedures. The default value is 2048. Note that this parameter has a strong influence on the amount of memory allocated by LibTMCG since it determines the size of the precomputed tables. However, it should be at least greater or equal than `TMCG_DDH_SIZE` and `TMCG_QRA_SIZE` in order to support the possible exponents of common finite field sizes.
- TMCG\_MAX\_FPOWM\_N** [Macro]  
 Define the maximum number of different bases for doing the above precomputation. This value is a trade-off between fast exponentiation for all possible bases and memory allocation. Currently it is only relevant for the generators  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  in Groth's variant of Pedersen commitment scheme (see Section 2.2.3.4 [GrothVSSHE], page 34). The default value is 256.
- TMCG\_MAX\_SSRANDOMM\_CACHE** [Macro]  
 Define the maximum size of the cache for function `mpz_ssrandomm`. The cache must be properly initialized and is useful in interactive protocols, where entropy is limited and a lot of very

secure randomness is required immediately. Thus some values should be acquired and cached before the protocol starts. The default value is 256.

## 2.2 Basic Structures

This section describes all public data types, communication interfaces, and classes of high-level protocols that are necessary to create a secure card game. Private methods and only internally used members are not explained.

### 2.2.1 Data Types

LibTMCG provides several data structures for cards, stacks, and cryptographic keys.

#### 2.2.1.1 Encoding Schemes for Cards

There exist two different encoding schemes that can be used for the digital representation of playing cards. In the scheme of Schindelbauer [Sc98] the type of a card is shared among the players through bit-wise representation by quadratic (non-)residues. Thus the security relies on the well-known QRA (Quadratic Residuosity Assumption). Unfortunately, the size of a card grows linearly in the number of players and logarithmically in the number of card types. Recently the much more efficient solution of Barnett and Smart [BS03] has been implemented. This encoding works on a cyclic group of prime order and requires that the DDH (Decisional Diffie-Hellman Assumption) holds there.

For both schemes LibTMCG provides a structure whose name contains the suffix `Card`. This data type is used to represent an open or even a masked card. Further, there is a corresponding structure whose name contains the suffix `CardSecret`. This data type is used to represent the secret values involved in a card masking operation.

Because of the reduced computational and communication complexity (see [St05] for more details) the usage of the second card encoding scheme, i.e. `VTMF_Card` and `VTMF_CardSecret`, is highly recommended.

`TMCG_Card` [Data type]

This `struct` represents a card in the encoding scheme of Schindelbauer [Sc98]. The type of the card is shared among the players by quadratic residues and non-residues, respectively. Thus the security relies on the Quadratic Residuosity Assumption.

`std::vector< std::vector<MP_INT> > z` [Member of `TMCG_Card`]

This  $k \times w$ -matrix encodes the type of the corresponding card in a shared way. For each of the  $k$  players there is a separate row and for each of the  $w$  bits in the binary representation of the type there is a column. The elements are numbers from the group  $\mathbf{Z}_{m_i}^*$  where  $m_i$  is the public modulus of the  $i$ th player.

`TMCG_Card ()` [Constructor on `TMCG_Card`]

This default constructor initializes the card with an empty  $1 \times 1$ -matrix. Later the method `TMCG_Card::resize` can be used to enlarge the card representation.

`TMCG_Card (size_t k, size_t w)` [Constructor on `TMCG_Card`]

This constructor initializes the card with an empty  $k \times w$ -matrix. The parameter  $k$  is the number of players and  $w$  is the maximum number of bits used by the binary representation of the card type.

`TMCG_Card (const TMCG_Card& that)` [Constructor on `TMCG_Card`]

This is a simple copy-constructor and *that* is the card to be copied.

`TMCG_Card& = (const TMCG_Card& that)` [Operator on `TMCG_Card`]

This is a simple assignment-operator and *that* is the card to be assigned.

- `bool == (const TMCg_Card& that)` [Operator on TMCg\_Card]  
This operator tests two card representations for equality.
- `bool != (const TMCg_Card& that)` [Operator on TMCg\_Card]  
This operator tests two card representations for inequality.
- `void resize (size_t k, size_t w)` [Method on TMCg\_Card]  
This method resizes the representation of the card. The current content of the member `z` will be released and a new  $k \times w$ -matrix is created. The parameter `k` is the number of players and `w` is the maximum number of bits used by the binary representation of the card type.
- `bool import (std::string s)` [Method on TMCg\_Card]  
This method imports the content of the member `z` from the correctly formatted input string `s`. It returns `true`, if the import was successful.
- `~TMCg_Card ()` [Destructor on TMCg\_Card]  
This destructor releases all occupied resources.
- `std::ostream& << (std::ostream& out, const TMCg_Card& card)` [Operator on TMCg\_Card]  
This operator exports the content of the member `z` (of the given TMCg\_Card `card`) to the output stream `out`.
- `std::istream& >> (std::istream& in, TMCg_Card& card)` [Operator on TMCg\_Card]  
This operator imports the content of the member `z` (of the given TMCg\_Card `card`) from the input stream `in`. The data has to be delimited by a newline character. The `failbit` of the stream is set, if any parse error occurred.
- `TMCg_CardSecret` [Data type]  
This `struct` represents the secret used for a card masking operation in the original encoding scheme of Schindelhauer [Sc98].
- `std::vector< std::vector<MP_INT> > r` [Member of TMCg\_CardSecret]  
This  $k \times w$ -matrix encodes the first part of the secret. For each of the `k` players there is a separate row and for each of the `w` bits in the binary representation of the corresponding card type there is a column. The elements are numbers from the group  $\mathbf{Z}_{m_i}^o$  where  $m_i$  is the public modulus of the *i*th player.
- `std::vector< std::vector<MP_INT> > b` [Member of TMCg\_CardSecret]  
This  $k \times w$ -matrix encodes the second part of the secret. For each of the `k` players there is a separate row and for each of the `w` bits in the binary representation of the corresponding card type there is a column. The elements are simply numbers from  $\{0, 1\}$ .
- `TMCg_CardSecret ()` [Constructor on TMCg\_CardSecret]  
This default constructor initializes both members with an empty  $1 \times 1$ -matrix. Later the method `TMCg_CardSecret::resize` can be used to enlarge the card representation.
- `TMCg_CardSecret (size_t k, size_t w)` [Constructor on TMCg\_CardSecret]  
This constructor initializes both members with an empty  $k \times w$ -matrix. The parameter `k` is the number of players and `w` is the maximum number of bits used by the binary representation of the corresponding card type.
- `TMCg_CardSecret (const TMCg_CardSecret& that)` [Constructor on TMCg\_CardSecret]  
This is a simple copy-constructor and `that` is the secret to be copied.



`TMCG_CardSecret& = (const TMCG_CardSecret& that)` [Operator on `TMCG_CardSecret`]

This is a simple assignment-operator and *that* is the secret to be assigned.

`void resize (size_t k, size_t w)` [Method on `TMCG_CardSecret`]

This method resizes the representation of the secret. The current content of the members `r` and `b` will be released and new  $k \times w$ -matrices are created. The parameter *k* is the number of players and *w* is the maximum number of bits used by the binary representation of the corresponding card type.

`bool import (std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_CardSecret`]

This method imports the content of the members `r` and `b` from the correctly formatted input string *s*. It returns `true`, if the import was successful.

`~TMCG_CardSecret ()` [Destructor on `TMCG_CardSecret`]

This destructor releases all occupied resources.

`std::ostream& << (std::ostream& out, const TMCG_CardSecret& cardsecret)` [Operator on `TMCG_CardSecret`]

This operator exports the content of the members `r` and `b` (of the given `TMCG_CardSecret cardsecret`) to the output stream *out*.

`std::istream& >> (std::istream& in, TMCG_CardSecret& cardsecret)` [Operator on `TMCG_CardSecret`]

This operator imports the content of the members `r` and `b` (of the given `TMCG_CardSecret cardsecret`) from the input stream *in*. The data has to be delimited by a newline character. The `failbit` of the stream is set, if any parse error occurred.

`VTMF_Card` [Data type]

This `struct` represents a card in the encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03]. Here we use the discrete logarithm based instantiation of their general cryptographic primitive VTMF (Verifiable *k*-out-of-*k* Threshold Masking Function). The security relies on the DDH assumption in the underlying abelian group *G*.

`mpz_t c_1` [Member of `VTMF_Card`]

This is the first part of the encrypted card type. It is an element from the underlying group *G*.

`mpz_t c_2` [Member of `VTMF_Card`]

This is the second part of the encrypted card type. It is also an element from the underlying group *G*.

`VTMF_Card ()` [Constructor on `VTMF_Card`]

This default constructor initializes an empty card where the members `c_1` and `c_2` are set to zero.

`VTMF_Card (const VTMF_Card& that)` [Constructor on `VTMF_Card`]

This is a simple copy-constructor and *that* is the card to be copied.

`VTMF_Card& = (const VTMF_Card& that)` [Operator on `VTMF_Card`]

This is a simple assignment-operator and *that* is the card to be assigned.

`bool == (const VTMF_Card& that)` [Operator on `VTMF_Card`]

This operator tests two card representations for equality.

`bool != (const VTMF_Card& that)` [Operator on `VTMF_Card`]

This operator tests two card representations for inequality.

`bool import (std::string s)` [Method on `VTMF_Card`]  
 This method imports the content of the members `c_1` and `c_2` from a correctly formatted input string `s`. It returns `true`, if the import was successful.

`~VTMF_Card ()` [Destructor on `VTMF_Card`]  
 This destructor releases all occupied resources.

`std::ostream& << (std::ostream& out, const VTMF_Card& card)` [Operator on `VTMF_Card`]  
 This operator exports the content of the members `c_1` and `c_2` (of the given `VTMF_Card card`) to the output stream `out`.

`std::istream& >> (std::istream& in, VTMF_Card& card)` [Operator on `VTMF_Card`]  
 This operator imports the content of the members `c_1` and `c_2` (of the given `VTMF_Card card`) from the input stream `in`. The data has to be delimited by a newline character. The failbit of the stream is set, if any parse error occurred.

`VTMF_CardSecret` [Data type]  
 This `struct` represents the secrets used in the card masking operation by the encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03].

`mpz_t r` [Member of `VTMF_CardSecret`]  
 This member is the exponent (randomizer) used in the masking operation. It should be chosen uniformly and randomly from  $\mathbf{Z}_q$  where  $q$  is the order of the finite abelian group  $G$  for which the DDH assumption holds.  
 According to the results of Koshihara and Kurosawa (see *Short Exponent Diffie-Hellman Problems*, PKC 2004, LNCS 2947) the length of this exponent can be shortened to a more efficient size (e.g. 160 bit), if the corresponding generator of  $G$  is adjusted as well. Under the additional DLSE (Discrete Logarithm with Short Exponents) assumption the DDH problem in  $G$  seems to be still hard. By such an optimization trick we gain a great performance advantage for almost all modular exponentiations that are computed during the masking operation, if the `VTMF` primitive was instantiated by the later explained class `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR`. Furthermore, the size of the card secret is substantially reduced which results in an improved communication complexity.

`VTMF_CardSecret ()` [Constructor on `VTMF_CardSecret`]  
 This default constructor initializes the secret with an empty member `r`.

`VTMF_CardSecret (const VTMF_CardSecret& that)` [Constructor on `VTMF_CardSecret`]  
 This is a simple copy-constructor and `that` is the secret to be copied.

`VTMF_CardSecret& = (const VTMF_CardSecret& that)` [Operator on `VTMF_CardSecret`]  
 This is a simple assignment-operator and `that` is the secret to be assigned.

`bool import (std::string s)` [Method on `VTMF_CardSecret`]  
 This method imports the content of the member `r` from the correctly formatted input string `s`. It returns `true`, if the import was successful.

`~VTMF_CardSecret ()` [Destructor on `VTMF_CardSecret`]  
 This destructor releases all occupied resources.

`std::ostream& << (std::ostream& out, const VTMF_CardSecret& cardsecret)` [Operator on `VTMF_CardSecret`]  
 This operator exports the content of the member `r` (of the given `VTMF_CardSecret cardsecret`) to the output stream `out`.

`std::istream& >> (std::istream& in, VTMF_CardSecret& cardsecret)` [Operator on VTMF\_CardSecret]

This operator imports the content of the member `r` (of the given `VTMF_CardSecret cardsecret`) from the input stream `in`. The data has to be delimited by a newline character. The failbit of the stream is set, if any parse error occurred.

### 2.2.1.2 Stacks

All of the following data types are generic containers that can be instantiated as C++ templates with the former explained `Card` and `CardSecret` data types, respectively. Note the maximum number of stackable data is upper-bounded by `TMCG_MAX_CARDS`. There is no error reported, if this limit is exceeded.

`TMCG_Stack<CardType>` [Data type]

This `struct` is a simple container for cards of the specified `CardType`. Currently, the elements can be either of type `TMCG_Card` or `VTMF_Card` depending on which kind of encoding scheme is used. The `TMCG_Stack` structure is mainly used to represent a stack of masked cards, i.e., playing cards that are stacked in a face-down manner. It can be either a public stack where all participants have access to or even a private stack, e.g. the players' hand. If the corresponding card types are known it can also serve as an "open stack", although `TMCG_OpenStack` is more suitable in that case.

`std::vector<CardType> stack` [Member of TMCG\_Stack]

This is the container that is used internally for storing the cards.

`TMCG_Stack ()` [Constructor on TMCG\_Stack]

This default constructor initializes an empty stack.

`TMCG_Stack& = (const TMCG_Stack<CardType>& that)` [Operator on TMCG\_Stack]

This is a simple assignment-operator and `that` is the stack to be assigned.

`bool == (const TMCG_Stack<CardType>& that)` [Operator on TMCG\_Stack]

This operator tests two stacks for equality. It checks whether the sizes of the stacks and the contained cards are equal with respect to the implied order.

`bool != (const TMCG_Stack<CardType>& that)` [Operator on TMCG\_Stack]

This operator tests two stacks for inequality. It returns `true`, if either the sizes do not match or at least two corresponding cards are not equal.

`const CardType& [] (const size_t n)` [Operator on TMCG\_Stack]

This operator provides read-only random access to the contained cards. It returns a const-reference to the `n`th card from the top of the stack.

`CardType& [] (const size_t n)` [Operator on TMCG\_Stack]

This operator provides random access to the contained cards. It returns a reference to the `n`th card from the top of the stack.

`size_t size ()` [Method on TMCG\_Stack]

This method returns the size of the stack.

`void push (const CardType& c)` [Method on TMCG\_Stack]

This method pushes the card `c` to the back of the stack.

`void push (const TMCG_Stack<CardType>& s)` [Method on TMCG\_Stack]

This method pushes the stack `s` to the back of the stack.

`void push (const TMCStack<CardType>& s)` [Method on TMCStack]  
 This method pushes the cards of the open stack *s* to the back of the stack.

`bool empty ()` [Method on TMCStack]  
 This method returns `true`, if the stack is empty.

`bool pop (CardType& c)` [Method on TMCStack]  
 This method removes a card from the back and stores the data in *c*. It returns `true`, if the stack was not empty and thus *c* contains useful data.

`void clear ()` [Method on TMCStack]  
 This method clears the stack, i.e., it removes all cards.

`bool find (const CardType& c)` [Method on TMCStack]  
 This method returns `true`, if the card *c* was found in the stack.

`bool remove (const CardType& c)` [Method on TMCStack]  
 This method removes the top-most card from the stack which is equal to *c*. It returns `true`, if the card was found and successfully removed.

`size_t removeAll (const CardType& c)` [Method on TMCStack]  
 This method removes every card from the stack which is equal to *c*. It returns the number of removed cards.

`bool import (std::string s)` [Method on TMCStack]  
 This method imports the stack from the correctly formatted input string *s*. It returns `true`, if the import was successful.

`~TMCStack ()` [Destructor on TMCStack]  
 This destructor releases all occupied resources.

`std::ostream& << (std::ostream& out, const TMCStack<CardType>& stack)` [Operator on TMCStack]  
 This operator exports the given *stack* to the output stream *out*.

`std::istream& >> (std::istream& in, TMCStack<CardType>& stack)` [Operator on TMCStack]  
 This operator imports the given *stack* from the input stream *in*. The data has to be delimited by a newline character. The `failbit` of the stream is set, if any parse error occurred.

`TMCStack<CardType>` [Data type]  
 This `struct` is a simple container for cards of the specified *CardType* whose types are known. The elements are pairs where the first component is the type and the second component is the corresponding card. The card type is represented by a `size_t` integer. Currently, the cards can be either of type `TMCStack_Card` or `VTFM_Card` depending on which kind of encoding scheme is used.

`std::vector<std::pair<size_t, CardType> > stack` [Member of TMCStack]  
 This is the container that is used internally for storing the pairs.

`TMCStack ()` [Constructor on TMCStack]  
 This default constructor initializes an empty stack.

`TMCStack& = (const TMCStack<CardType>& that)` [Operator on TMCStack]  
 This is a simple assignment-operator and *that* is the stack to be assigned.

`bool == (const TMCStack<CardType>& that)` [Operator on TMCStack]

This operator tests two stacks for equality. It checks whether the types, the sizes, and the contained cards are equal with respect to the stack order.

`bool != (const TMCStack<CardType>& that)` [Operator on TMCStack]

This operator tests two stacks for inequality. It returns `true`, if either the sizes resp. types do not match or at least two corresponding cards are not equal.

`const std::pair<size_t, CardType>& [] (const size_t n)` [Operator on TMCStack]

This operator provides read-only random access to the contained pairs. It returns a const-reference to the *n*th pair from the top of the stack.

`std::pair<size_t, CardType>& [] (const size_t n)` [Operator on TMCStack]

This operator provides random access to the contained pairs. It returns a reference to the *n*th pair from the top of the stack.

`size_t size ()` [Method on TMCStack]

This method returns the size of the stack.

`void push (const std::pair<size_t, CardType>& p)` [Method on TMCStack]

This method pushes the pair *p* to the back of the stack. The first component is the type and the second component is the corresponding card representation.

`void push (const size_t type, const CardType& c)` [Method on TMCStack]

This method pushes a pair to the back of the stack. The parameter *type* is the card type and *c* is the corresponding card representation.

`void push (const TMCStack<CardType>& s)` [Method on TMCStack]

This method pushes the pairs of the stack *s* to the back of this stack.

`bool empty ()` [Method on TMCStack]

This method returns `true`, if the stack is empty.

`bool pop (size_t& type, CardType& c)` [Method on TMCStack]

This method removes a pair from the back of the stack. It stores the card type in *type* and the representation in *c*. It returns `true`, if the stack was not empty and thus *type* and *c* contain useful data.

`void clear ()` [Method on TMCStack]

This method clears the stack, i.e., it removes all pairs.

`bool find (const size_t type)` [Method on TMCStack]

This method returns `true`, if a pair with the first component *type* was found in the stack.

`bool remove (const size_t type)` [Method on TMCStack]

This method removes the top-most pair with the first component *type* from the stack. It returns `true`, if such a pair was found and successfully removed.

`size_t removeAll (const size_t type)` [Method on TMCStack]

This method removes every pair from the stack whose first component is equal to *type*. Further it returns the number of removed pairs.

`bool move (const size_t type, [Method on TMCg_OpenStack]  
           TMCg_Stack<CardType>& s)`

This method moves the top-most card representation of the given *type* to another stack *s*. It returns `true`, if such a pair was found and successfully moved.

`~TMCg_OpenStack () [Destructor on TMCg_OpenStack]`

This destructor releases all occupied resources.

`TMCg_StackSecret<CardSecretType> [Data type]`

This `struct` is a simple container for the secrets involved in the masking operation of cards. Additionally, the permutation of a corresponding shuffle of the stack is stored. The elements are pairs where the first component is a permutation index of type `size_t` and the second component is a card secret of the specified *CardSecretType*. Currently, such secrets can be either of type `TMCg_CardSecret` or `VTFM_CardSecret` depending on which kind of encoding scheme is used.

`std::vector<std::pair<size_t, [Member of TMCg_StackSecret]  
           CardSecretType> > stack`

This is the container that is used internally for storing the pairs.

`TMCg_StackSecret () [Constructor on TMCg_StackSecret]`

This default constructor initializes an empty stack secret.

`TMCg_StackSecret& = (const [Operator on TMCg_StackSecret]  
           TMCg_StackSecret<CardSecretType>& that)`

This is a simple assignment-operator and *that* is the stack secret to be assigned.

`const std::pair<size_t, CardSecretType>& [Operator on TMCg_StackSecret]  
       [] (const size_t n)`

This operator provides read-only random access to the contained pairs. It returns a const-reference to the *n*th pair from the top of the stack secret.

`std::pair<size_t, CardSecretType>& [] [Operator on TMCg_StackSecret]  
       (const size_t n)`

This operator provides random access to the contained pairs. It returns a reference to the *n*th pair from the top of the stack secret.

`size_t size () [Method on TMCg_StackSecret]`

This method returns the size of the stack secret.

`void push (const size_t index, const [Method on TMCg_StackSecret]  
           CardSecretType& cs)`

This method pushes a pair to the back of the stack secret. The parameter *index* is the permutation index and *cs* is the corresponding card secret.

`void clear () [Method on TMCg_StackSecret]`

This method clears the stack secret, i.e., it removes all pairs.

`size_t find_position (const size_t index) [Method on TMCg_StackSecret]`

This method searches for a given permutation index in the stack secret. It returns the corresponding position<sup>5</sup> in the stack secret, if the *index* was found. Otherwise, the size of the stack secret is returned. Please note that in this case the returned value is not a valid position for an access to the stack secret.

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<sup>5</sup> According to the behavior of the `[]`-operator, the zero denotes always the top-most position.

`bool find (const size_t index)` [Method on `TMCG_StackSecret`]  
 This method searches for a given permutation index in the stack secret. It returns `true`, if such an *index* was found.

`bool import (std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_StackSecret`]  
 This method imports the stack secret from a correctly formatted input string *s*. It returns `true`, if the import was successful.

`~TMCG_StackSecret ()` [Destructor on `TMCG_StackSecret`]  
 This destructor releases all occupied resources.

`std::ostream& << (std::ostream& out, const TMCG_StackSecret<CardSecretType>& stacksecret)` [Operator on `TMCG_StackSecret`]  
 This operator exports the given *stacksecret* to the output stream *out*.

`std::istream& >> (std::istream& in, TMCG_StackSecret<CardSecretType>& stacksecret)` [Operator on `TMCG_StackSecret`]  
 This operator imports the given *stacksecret* from the input stream *in*. The data has to be delimited by a newline character. The `failbit` of the stream is set, if any parse error occurred.

### 2.2.1.3 Cryptographic Keys

LibTMCG provides corresponding data types for keys used by the encoding scheme of Schindelhauer [Sc98], because in this scheme it is not efficient to perform the process of key generation for every new game session. These keys are called TMCG keys. However, they also can be utilized to encrypt and sign messages for the more general reasons of confidentiality and integrity, even if the card encoding scheme of Schindelhauer is not used. Therefore these structures may be of independent interest, for example to establish authenticated communication channels between players. However, like for all public key cryptosystems a trusted PKI (Public Key Infrastructure) is needed. This might not be a serious problem in distributed game environments, because the players can include key fingerprints in their individual profile or a service provider can issue public key certificates.

`TMCG_SecretKey` [Data type]  
 This `struct` represents the secret part of the key. The underlying public key cryptosystem is due to Rabin (see *Digitalized Signatures and Public-Key Functions as Intractable as Factorization*, MIT Technical Report 212, 1979) and Williams (see *A modification of the RSA public-key encryption procedure*, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, 26(6):726–729, 1980) with minor modifications for encryption padding (SAEP scheme of Boneh [Bo01]) and digital signatures (PRab scheme of Bellare and Rogaway [BR96]).

`std::string name` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This string contains the name or a pseudonym of the key owner.

`std::string email` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This string contains the email address of the key owner.

`std::string type` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This string contains information about the key type. The common prefix is `TMCG/RABIN`. It is followed by the decimal encoded bit size of the modulus *m*. The suffix `NIZK` signals that the correctness of the key is shown by an appended non-interactive zero-knowledge proof. The single parts of the description are separated by underscore characters `_`, e.g., `TMCG/RABIN_2048_NIZK` has the correct form. The suffix can be left empty, if the key is only used for encryption and signing (so-called non-NIZK key) without card encoding.

- `std::string nizek` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This string contains two stages of the non-interactive zero-knowledge proof of Gennaro, Micciancio, and Rabin [GMR98]. The proof shows that  $m$  was correctly generated as product of at most two primes and both are congruent to 3 (modulo 4). Further there is another non-interactive zero-knowledge proof appended which shows that the condition  $y \in \mathbf{NQR}_m^\circ$  holds.
- `std::string sig` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This string contains a self signature of the public key.
- `mpz_t m` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This is the public modulus  $m = p \cdot q$  which is the product of two secret primes  $p$  and  $q$ . The size of  $m$  is determined by the security parameter `TMCG_QRA_SIZE`.
- `mpz_t y` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This is the public quadratic non-residue  $y \in \mathbf{NQR}_m^\circ$  which is used in several zero-knowledge proofs of Schindelhauer's encoding scheme [Sc98].
- `mpz_t p` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This is the secret prime number  $p$  which is a factor of the modulus  $m$ .
- `mpz_t q` [Member of `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This is the secret prime number  $q$  which is a factor of the modulus  $m$ .
- `TMCG_SecretKey ()` [Constructor on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This default constructor initializes an empty secret key.
- `TMCG_SecretKey (const std::string& n, const std::string& e, const unsigned long int keysize = TMCG_QRA_SIZE, const bool nizk_key = true)` [Constructor on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This constructor generates a new secret key, where  $n$  is the name or a pseudonym of the owner,  $e$  is a corresponding email address,  $keysize$  is the desired bit length of the modulus  $m$ , and  $nizek\_key$  indicates whether or not a NIZEK proof will be appended. The default value of the third argument is set to `TMCG_QRA_SIZE`, if  $keysize$  is omitted in the call. The default value of the fourth argument is set to `true`, whenever it is omitted in the call. Depending on  $keysize$  and  $nizek\_key$  the generation is a very time-consuming task that should be taken into account by the application designer.
- `TMCG_SecretKey (const std::string& s)` [Constructor on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This constructor initializes the key from a correctly formatted input string  $s$ .
- `TMCG_SecretKey (const TMCG_SecretKey& that)` [Constructor on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This is a simple copy-constructor and  $that$  is the key to be copied.
- `TMCG_SecretKey& = (const TMCG_SecretKey& that)` [Operator on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This is a simple assignment-operator and  $that$  is the key to be assigned.
- `bool check ()` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method tests whether the self signature is valid and whether the non-interactive zero-knowledge proofs are sound. It returns `true`, if all checks have been successfully passed. Due to the computational complexity of the verification procedure these checks are a very time-consuming task.



- `std::string fingerprint ()` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method returns the fingerprint of the key. The fingerprint is the hexadecimal notation of the hash value (using algorithm `TMCG_GCRY_MD_ALGO`) on the concatenated members `name`, `email`, `type`, `m`, `y`, `nizk`, and `sig`.
- `std::string selfid ()` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method returns the real value of the self signature. The string `ERROR` is returned, if any parse error occurred. The string `SELSIG-SELSIG-SELSIG-SELSIG-SELSIG-SELSIG` is returned, if the self signature `sig` was empty.
- `std::string keyid (const size_t size =TMCG_KEYID_SIZE)` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method returns the unique key identifier of length `size`. The default value of the first argument is set to `TMCG_KEYID_SIZE`, if `size` is omitted in the call.
- `size_t keyid_size (const std::string& s)` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method returns the length of the unique key identifier `s`. Zero is returned, if any parse error occurred.
- `std::string sigid (std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method returns the unique key identifier which is included in the signature `s`. The string `ERROR` is returned, if any parse error occurred.
- `bool import (std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method imports the key from a correctly formatted input string `s`. It returns `true`, if the import was successful.
- `bool decrypt (unsigned char* value, std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method decrypts the given encryption packet `s` and stores the content in `value` which is a pointer to a character array of size `TMCG_SAEPSO`. The method returns `true`, if the decryption was successful.
- `std::string sign (const std::string& data)` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method returns a digital signature on `data`.
- `std::string encrypt (const unsigned char* value)` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method encrypts the content of `value` which is a pointer to a character array of size `TMCG_SAEPSO`. The method returns a corresponding encryption packet that can be decrypted by the owner of the secret key.
- `bool verify (const std::string& data, std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This method verifies whether the signature `s` on `data` is valid or not. It returns `true`, if everything was sound.
- `~TMCG_SecretKey ()` [Destructor on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This destructor releases all occupied resources.
- `std::ostream& << (std::ostream& out, const TMCG_SecretKey& key)` [Operator on `TMCG_SecretKey`]  
 This operator exports the given `key` to the output stream `out`.

`std::istream& >> (std::istream& in,` [Operator on `TMCG_SecretKey`  
`TMCG_SecretKey& key)`

This operator imports the given *key* from the input stream *in*. The data has to be delimited by a newline character. The `failbit` is set, if any parse error occurred.

`TMCG_PublicKey` [Data type]

This `struct` represents the public part of the TMCG key.

`std::string name` [Member of `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This string contains the name or a pseudonym of the key owner.

`std::string email` [Member of `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This string contains the email address of the key owner.

`std::string type` [Member of `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This string contains information about the key type. The common prefix is `TMCG/RABIN`. It is followed by the decimal encoded bit size of the modulus *m*. The suffix `NIZK` signals that the correctness of the key is shown by an appended non-interactive zero-knowledge proof. The single parts of the string are separated by underscore characters `_`, e.g., `TMCG/RABIN_2048_NIZK` has the correct form. However, the suffix can be left empty, if the key is only used for encryption and signing.

`std::string nizk` [Member of `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This string contains two stages of non-interactive zero-knowledge proof of Gennaro, Micciancio and Rabin [GMR98]. This gives strong evidence that *m* was generated correctly. Further there is another non-interactive zero-knowledge proof appended which shows that the condition  $y \in \mathbf{NQR}_m^\circ$  holds.

`std::string sig` [Member of `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This string contains the self signature of the public key.

`mpz_t m` [Member of `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This is the public modulus  $m = p \cdot q$  which is the product of two secret primes *p* and *q*. The size of *m* is determined by the security parameter `TMCG_QRA_SIZE`.

`mpz_t y` [Member of `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This is the public quadratic non-residue  $y \in \mathbf{NQR}_m^\circ$  which is used by several zero-knowledge proofs of the toolbox.

`TMCG_PublicKey ()` [Constructor on `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This default constructor initializes an empty public key.

`TMCG_PublicKey (const TMCG_SecretKey& skey)` [Constructor on `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This constructor initializes the key using public values of the secret key *skey*.

`TMCG_PublicKey (const TMCG_PublicKey& pkey)` [Constructor on `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This is a simple copy-constructor and *pkey* is the key to be copied.

`TMCG_PublicKey& = (const TMCG_PublicKey&` [Operator on `TMCG_PublicKey`  
`that)`

This is a simple assignment-operator and *that* is the key to be assigned.

`bool check ()` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]

This method tests whether the self signature is valid and whether the non-interactive zero-knowledge proofs are sound. It returns `true`, if all checks have been successfully passed. Due to the computational complexity of the verification procedure these checks are an extremely time-consuming task.

- `std::string fingerprint ()` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This method returns the fingerprint of the key. The fingerprint is the hexadecimal notation of the hash value (using algorithm `TMCG_GCRY_MD_ALGO`) on the concatenated members `name`, `email`, `type`, `m`, `y`, `nizk`, and `sig`.
- `std::string selfid ()` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This method returns the real value of the self signature. The string `ERROR` is returned, if any parse error occurred. The string `SELSIG-SELSIG-SELSIG-SELSIG-SELSIG-SELSIG` is returned, if the self signature `sig` was empty.
- `std::string keyid (const size_t size =TMCG_KEYID_SIZE)` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This method returns the unique key identifier of length `size`. The default value of the first argument is set to `TMCG_KEYID_SIZE`, if `size` is omitted in the call.
- `size_t keyid_size (const std::string& s)` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This method returns the length of the unique key identifier `s`. Zero is returned, if any parse error occurred.
- `std::string sigid (std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This method returns the unique key identifier which is included in the signature `s`. The string `ERROR` is returned, if any parse error occurred.
- `bool import (std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This method imports the key from a correctly formatted input string `s`. It returns `true`, if the import was successful.
- `std::string encrypt (const unsigned char* value)` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This method encrypts the content of `value` which is a pointer to a character array of size `TMCG_SAEPS0`. The method returns a corresponding encryption packet that can be decrypted by the owner of the secret key.
- `bool verify (const std::string& data, std::string s)` [Method on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This method verifies whether the signature `s` on `data` is valid or not. It returns `true`, if everything was sound.
- `~TMCG_PublicKey ()` [Destructor on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This destructor releases all occupied resources.
- `std::ostream& << (std::ostream& out, const TMCG_PublicKey& key)` [Operator on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This operator exports the given `key` to the output stream `out`.
- `std::istream& >> (std::istream& in, TMCG_PublicKey& key)` [Operator on `TMCG_PublicKey`]  
 This operator imports the given `key` from the input stream `in`. The data has to be delimited by a newline character. The `failbit` is set, if any parse error occurred.
- `TMCG_PublicKeyRing` [Data type]  
 This `struct` is just a simple container for `TMCG` public keys. There are no particular methods provided by `TMCG_PublicKeyRing`. You have to use the regular interface of the STL container `std::vector` to access the single keys of the ring.
- `std::vector<TMCG_PublicKey> keys` [Member of `TMCG_PublicKeyRing`]  
 This is the real container that is used to store the keys.

`TMCG_PublicKeyRing ()` [Constructor on `TMCG_PublicKeyRing`]  
This default constructor initializes an empty public key ring.

`TMCG_PublicKeyRing (size_t n)` [Constructor on `TMCG_PublicKeyRing`]  
This constructor initializes the container for storing exactly  $n$  keys.

`~TMCG_PublicKeyRing ()` [Destructor on `TMCG_PublicKeyRing`]  
This destructor releases all occupied resources.

## 2.2.2 Communication Interfaces

The base class `aiounicast` and the corresponding derived classes `aiounicast_nonblock` and `aiounicast_select` provide a simple communication interface for asynchronous point-to-point communication channels. They can be used to transfer data of type `mpz_t` (big integers, see `libgmp` for explanation of this data type) between up to  $n$  parties, that are connected by sockets, pipes or any other file descriptor based input/output mechanism.

Moreover, the channels can be authenticated by a message authentication code and encrypted by a symmetric cipher. The deployed algorithms are defined by global symbols (`TMCG_GCRY_MAC_ALGO` and `TMCG_GCRY_ENC_ALGO`, respectively) and fixed at compile time of `LibTMCG`.

`aiounicast` [Class]

This class is only an abstract interface and cannot be instantiated directly. We explain some basic class members that are useful for an application programmer.

`static const time_t aio_timeout_very_short` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant defines a very short time interval of only one second.

`static const time_t aio_timeout_short` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant defines a short time interval of 15 seconds.

`static const time_t aio_timeout_middle` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant defines a middle time interval of 30 seconds.

`static const time_t aio_timeout_long` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant defines a long time interval of 90 seconds.

`static const time_t aio_timeout_very_long` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant defines a very long time interval of 180 seconds.

`static const time_t aio_timeout_extremely_long` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant defines an extremely long time interval of 300 seconds.

`static const size_t aio_scheduler_roundrobin` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant represents the round-robin scheduler for message processing.

`static const size_t aio_scheduler_random` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant represents the random select scheduler for message processing.

`static const size_t aio_scheduler_direct` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This constant represents the constant select scheduler for message processing.

`const size_t n` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This is the total number of parties  $n$  involved in the communication.

`const size_t j` [Member of `aiounicast`]  
This is a unique index of the party running this instance.

<code>std::map&lt;size_t, int&gt; fd_in</code>	[Member of <code>aiounicast</code> ]
The input file descriptors of point-to-point links to all parties.	
<code>std::map&lt;size_t, int&gt; fd_out</code>	[Member of <code>aiounicast</code> ]
The output file descriptors of point-to-point links to all parties.	
<code>size_t numWrite</code>	[Member of <code>aiounicast</code> ]
The total number of bytes written to point-to-point links.	
<code>size_t numRead</code>	[Member of <code>aiounicast</code> ]
The total number of bytes read from point-to-point links.	
<code>size_t numEncrypted</code>	[Member of <code>aiounicast</code> ]
The total number of bytes that have been encrypted yet.	
<code>size_t numDecrypted</code>	[Member of <code>aiounicast</code> ]
The total number of bytes that have been decrypted yet.	
<code>size_t numAuthenticated</code>	[Member of <code>aiounicast</code> ]
The total number of bytes that have been authenticated yet.	

Note that the header files `aiounicast_nonblock.hh` or `aiounicast_select.hh` must be included in addition to `libTMCG.hh`. The use of class `aiounicast_select` is strongly recommended.

`aiounicast_nonblock` [Class]

This class works with non-blocking file descriptors, i.e., the pipes or sockets have to be opened with the `O_NONBLOCK` flag. The methods use continuous polling on the descriptors to achieve asynchronous I/O that results in exorbitant CPU load. The class should be used only, if no select system call is available or appropriate for the application.

`aiounicast_nonblock (const size_t n_in, const size_t j_in, const std::vector<int>& fd_in_in, const std::vector<int>& fd_out_in, const std::vector<std::string>& key_in, const size_t aio_default_scheduler_in =aio_scheduler_roundrobin, const time_t aio_default_timeout_in =aio_timeout_long, const bool aio_is_authenticated_in =true, const bool aio_is_encrypted_in =true)` [Constructor on `aiounicast_nonblock`]

The constructor initializes internal queues and data structures for asynchronous point-to-point channels connecting *n* parties (i.e. *n\_in*). The index of the calling party within this set is given by *j\_in*. It is followed by a vector *fd\_in\_in* of exactly *n* input file descriptors that are ready for reading and writing, and by a vector *fd\_out\_in* of exactly *n* output file descriptors. Finally, the vector *key\_in* with exactly *n* passphrases<sup>6</sup> or pre-shared keys is necessary, if *aio\_is\_authenticated\_in* or *aio\_is\_encrypted\_in* is set `true`, which is the default behaviour. The default values for timeout (in seconds) and the receive scheduler can be modified carefully according to the desired usage scenario.

`bool Send (mpz_srcptr m, const size_t i_in, time_t timeout =aio_timeout_default)` [Method on `aiounicast_nonblock`]

This method sends an integer *m* over the corresponding point-to-point link to the party with index *i\_in*. In presence of the third argument this transmission is tried for at most *timeout* seconds. Otherwise, the default timeout given to the constructor is applied.

The method returns `false`, if sending fails, and error messages are written to `std::cerr`.

<sup>6</sup> The key derivation function PBKDF2 is applied with an iteration count of 25.000 and a different constant salt to derive the authentication and the encryption key, respectively.

```
bool Send (const [Method on aiounicast_nonblock]
           std::vector<mpz_srcptr>& m, const size_t i_in, time_t timeout
           =aio_timeout_default)
```

This method works as above, however, a vector *m* of integers is sent.

```
bool Receive (mpz_ptr m, size_t& i_out, [Method on aiounicast_nonblock]
              size_t scheduler =aio_scheduler_default, time_t timeout
              =aio_timeout_default)
```

This method receives an integer *m* over the point-to-point links from any party. The index of the sender is returned in *i\_out*. In presence of the third argument it waits for at most *timeout* seconds. Otherwise, the default timeout given to the constructor is applied.

The method returns **false**, if receiving fails. Only in critical cases some error messages are written to `std::cerr`.

```
bool Receive (std::vector<mpz_ptr>& m, [Method on aiounicast_nonblock]
              size_t& i_out, size_t scheduler =aio_scheduler_default, time_t
              timeout =aio_timeout_default)
```

This method works as above, however, a vector *m* of integers is received.

```
~aiounicast_nonblock () [Destructor on aiounicast_nonblock]
  This destructor releases all occupied resources.
```

```
aiounicast_select [Class]
```

This class works with arbitrary file descriptors. It uses the `select` interface of the operation system with negligible timeout of 1000us to achieve asynchronous I/O. This results in a reasonable CPU load in comparison with `aiounicast_nonblock`.

```
aiounicast_select (const size_t n_in, [Constructor on aiounicast_select]
                  const size_t j_in, const std::vector<int>& fd_in_in, const
                  std::vector<int>& fd_out_in, const std::vector<std::string>&
                  key_in, const size_t aio_default_scheduler_in
                  =aio_scheduler_roundrobin, const time_t aio_default_timeout_in
                  =aio_timeout_long, const bool aio_is_authenticated_in =true, const
                  bool aio_is_encrypted_in =true)
```

The constructor initializes internal queues and data structures for asynchronous point-to-point channels connecting *n* parties (i.e. *n\_in*). The index of the calling party within this set is given by *j\_in*. It is followed by a vector *fd\_in\_in* of exactly *n* input file descriptors that are ready for reading and writing, and by a vector *fd\_out\_in* of exactly *n* output file descriptors. Finally, the vector *key\_in* with exactly *n* passphrases<sup>7</sup> or pre-shared keys is necessary, if *aio\_is\_authenticated\_in* or *aio\_is\_encrypted\_in* is set **true**, which is the default behaviour. The default values for timeout (in seconds) and the receive scheduler can be modified carefully according to the desired usage scenario.

```
bool Send (mpz_srcptr m, const size_t i_in, [Method on aiounicast_select]
           time_t timeout =aio_timeout_default)
```

This method sends an integer *m* over the corresponding point-to-point link to the party with index *i\_in*. In presence of the third argument this transmission is tried for at most *timeout* seconds. Otherwise, the default timeout given to the constructor is applied.

The method returns **false**, if sending fails, and error messages are written to `std::cerr`.

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<sup>7</sup> The key derivation function PBKDF2 is applied with an iteration count of 25.000 and a different constant salt to derive the authentication and the encryption key, respectively.

```
bool Send (const std::vector<mpz_srcptr>& m, const size_t i_in, time_t timeout = aio_timeout_default) [Method on aiounicast_select]
```

This method works as above, however, a vector  $m$  of integers is sent.

```
bool Receive (mpz_ptr m, size_t& i_out, size_t scheduler = aio_scheduler_default, time_t timeout = aio_timeout_default) [Method on aiounicast_select]
```

This method receives an integer  $m$  over the point-to-point links from any party. The index of the sender is returned in  $i\_out$ . In presence of the third argument it waits for at most  $timeout$  seconds. Otherwise, the default timeout given to the constructor is applied.

The method returns `false`, if receiving fails. Only in critical cases some error messages are written to `std::cerr`.

```
bool Receive (std::vector<mpz_ptr>& m, size_t& i_out, size_t scheduler = aio_scheduler_default, time_t timeout = aio_timeout_default) [Method on aiounicast_select]
```

This method works as above, however, a vector  $m$  of integers is received.

```
~aiounicast_select () [Destructor on aiounicast_select]
```

This destructor releases all occupied resources.

### 2.2.3 Classes

LibTMCG consists of several C++ classes. Some of them are only extensions or optimizations, but other provide necessary interfaces to perform the basic operations in secure card games, e.g., the creation of open cards, the masking of cards, the opening of masked cards, the verifiable secret shuffle of a stack, and more general tasks like distributed key generation procedures. Each class implements the some functionality of the corresponding research paper [CKPS01, BS03, JL00, Gr05, HSSV09, Sc98]. The author names are a prefix of the class name and the following part is an abbreviation of (a part of) the title, respectively.

#### 2.2.3.1 Secure and Efficient Asynchronous Broadcast Protocols

This part of LibTMCG provides an implementation of *reliable broadcast*, which is actually based on an optimized variant of Bracha's double-echo broadcast protocol. It works without further authentication mechanisms (e.g. digital signatures) and thus guarantees the desired properties (i.e. validity, consistency, and totality<sup>8</sup>) of reliable broadcast only, if the number of faulty or even malicious players  $t$  is strictly less than one third of all parties  $n$ , i.e.  $t < n/3$ . Please note that without further assumptions this condition is rather optimal for asynchronous communication and thus has crucial impact for liveness of the high-level protocols using it.

We describe only those classes, methods, and members that might be of interest for an application programmer.

```
CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC [Class]
```

This class implements the protocol RBC by Cachin, Kursawe, Petzold, and Shoup [CKPS01] for a reliable broadcast in the asynchronous communication model, where  $t < n/3$  holds. Additionally, a FIFO-ordered delivery mechanism based on sequence numbers has been implemented.

```
size_t n [Member of CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC]
```

This is the total number of parties  $n$  involved in this protocol.

<sup>8</sup> Totality ensures that all correct parties either deliver a message or don't. In the literature consistency and totality properties are often combined into a single condition called *agreement*.

`size_t t` [Member of `CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC`]  
This is the number of possible faulty parties  $t$ .

`size_t j` [Member of `CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC`]  
This is an unique index of the party running this instance.

`CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC` [Constructor on `CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC`]  
(`const size_t n_in`, `const size_t t_in`, `const size_t j_in`, `aiounicast*`  
`aiou_in`, `const size_t aio_default_scheduler_in`  
`=aiounicast::aio_scheduler_roundrobin`, `const time_t`  
`aio_default_timeout_in =aiounicast::aio_timeout_very_long`)

The constructor initializes an instance for a reliable broadcast channel of  $n$  parties. This total number of parties is given in the first argument  $n\_in$ . The number of possible faulty or even malicious parties  $t$  (given in the second argument  $t\_in$ ) must not exceed  $n/3$ . Otherwise a warning is printed to `std::cerr` and the liveness of the protocol RBC is not guaranteed. Thus, it is recommended to set  $t\_in$  to the asynchronous maximum  $(n - 1)/3$ . The third argument  $j\_in$  is an index of the party running this instance. Finally, the constructor needs as fourth argument  $aiou\_in$  a reference to already established point-to-point channels (see Section 2.2.2 [Communication Interfaces], page 24), which should exclusively<sup>9</sup> used for this broadcast channels. The default values for timeout (in seconds) and the deliver scheduler can be modified carefully with respect to the usage scenario.

`void setID (const std::string ID_in)` [Method on `CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC`]

Broadcast channels are parameterized by a *tag* called ID, that is contained in every message. This method sets the tag to  $ID\_in$ , which should be equal for all parties for the desired channel.

`void unsetID ()` [Method on `CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC`]

This method unset the current channel tag and returns to the previous value. This is commonly used to return from a channel of a subprotocol to the channel of the calling protocol.

`void Broadcast (mpz_srcptr m, const bool simulate_faulty_behaviour =false)` [Method on `CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC`]

This method broadcasts the integer  $m$  to all parties.

`bool Deliver (mpz_ptr m, size_t& i_out, size_t scheduler =aiounicast::aio_scheduler_default, time_t timeout =aiounicast::aio_timeout_default)` [Method on `CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC`]

This method delivers a broadcasted integer  $m$  from any party using deliver scheduler  $scheduler$ . The index of the sender is returned in  $i\_out$ . In presence of the fourth argument it waits for at most  $timeout$  seconds. Otherwise, the default timeout given to the constructor is applied.

The method returns `false`, if delivering fails. Only in some critical cases error messages are written to `std::cerr`.

`bool DeliverFrom (mpz_ptr m, const size_t i_in, size_t scheduler =aiounicast::aio_scheduler_default, time_t timeout =aiounicast::aio_timeout_default)` [Method on `CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC`]

This method delivers a broadcasted integer  $m$  from a specified party with index  $i\_in$  using deliver scheduler  $scheduler$ . In presence of the fourth argument it waits at most for  $timeout$  seconds. Otherwise, the default timeout given to the constructor is applied.

<sup>9</sup> These channels should be authenticated such that network attacks or errors can be detected.



The method returns `false`, if delivering fails. Only in some critical cases error messages are written to `std::cerr`.

```
bool Sync (time_t timeout [Method on CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC]
          =aiounicast::aio_timeout_default, const std::string tag = "")
```

This method continues the execution of RBC protocol such that the requests of other waiting parties are satisfied. In presence of the first argument it waits approximately for  $(t+1) \cdot \textit{timeout}$  seconds while trying to synchronize all parties based on their corresponding local Unix Epoch time. Otherwise, the default timeout given to the constructor is applied. Each synchronization point is required to be unique. Thus, a string called *tag* with a description of the synchronization point can be supplied as second argument of this method.

The method returns `false`, if synchronization is failed.

```
~CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC [Destructor on CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC]
    ()
```

This destructor releases all occupied resources.

### 2.2.3.2 Verifiable $k$ -out-of- $k$ Threshold Masking Function

The two classes of this subsection are concrete instantiations of Barnett and Smart's VTMF primitive [BS03]. More formally, the authors specify four different protocols:

- Key Generation Protocol
- Verifiable Masking Protocol
- Verifiable Re-masking Protocol
- Verifiable Decryption Protocol

Each protocol uses low-level operations on an appropriately chosen algebraic group  $G$ . The choice of this group is crucial to the security of the card encoding scheme and thus also to the security of high-level operations on cards resp. stacks.

There are just a few methods and members of these classes that might be of general interest for an application programmer, e.g. the methods of the key generation protocol. The other stuff is only used internally by high-level operations of `SchindelhauerTMCG`. Therefore this manual omits the description of such internal functions and members.

```
BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog [Class]
```

This class implements the discrete logarithm instantiation of the VTMF primitive in the field  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$ , where  $p$  is a large prime number. The mathematical computations are performed in the finite cyclic subgroup  $G$  of prime order  $q$  such that  $p = kq + 1$  holds for some  $k \in \mathbf{Z}$ . The security relies on the DDH assumption in  $G$ , i.e., the distribution  $\{g^a, g^b, g^{ab}\}$  is computationally indistinguishable from  $\{g^a, g^b, g^c\}$ , where  $g$  is a generator of  $G$  and  $a, b, c$  are chosen at random from  $\mathbf{Z}_q$ . Currently, this well-established assumption is believed to hold, if  $p$  and  $q$  are chosen according to the predefined security parameters of `LibTMCG`.

```
mpz_t p [Member of BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog]
    This is the public prime number  $p$  which defines the underlying finite field  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$ .
```

```
mpz_t q [Member of BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog]
    This is the public prime number  $q$  which defines the underlying cyclic group  $G$ .  $G$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$  and is exactly of order  $q$ .
```

```
mpz_t g [Member of BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog]
    This is the fixed public generator  $g$  of the underlying group  $G$ .
```

`mpz_t k` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This is a public integer  $k$  such that  $p = kq + 1$  holds.

`mpz_t h` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This is the common public key  $h = \prod_{i=1}^k h_i$  which contains the public keys  $h_i$  of each player  $P_i$ . Note that in the above formula  $k$  denotes the number of players.

`mpz_t h_i` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This is the public key  $h_i$  of this player instance.

`BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog` (const [Constructor on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
`unsigned long int fieldsize = TMCG_DDH_SIZE, const unsigned long int`  
`subgroupsize = TMCG_DLSE_SIZE, const bool canonical_g_usage = false,`  
`const bool initialize_group = true)`

This constructor creates a new VTMF instance. That means, the primes  $p$  and  $q$  are randomly and uniformly chosen such that they have length `fieldsize` bit and `subgroupsize` bit, respectively. Further, either a generator  $g$  for the unique subgroup of order  $q$  is chosen at random or, if `canonical_g_usage` is set `true`, the generator  $g$  is chosen in a verifiable way (cf. FIPS 186-3 A.2.3). If the arguments are omitted, then `fieldsize`, `subgroupsize` and `canonical_g_usage` are set to their default values `TMCG_DDH_SIZE`, `TMCG_DLSE_SIZE`, and `false`, respectively. The argument `initialize_group` should be always set `true`. Depending on `fieldsize` and `subgroupsize` the group generation is a very time-consuming task that should be taken into account by the application designer.

`BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog` [Constructor on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
`(std::istream& in, const unsigned long int fieldsize = TMCG_DDH_SIZE,`  
`const unsigned long int subgroupsize = TMCG_DLSE_SIZE, bool`  
`canonical_g_usage = false, const bool precompute = true)`

This constructor initializes the VTMF instance from a correctly formatted input stream `in`. For example, such a stream can be generated by calling the method `PublishGroup` of an already created instance. The arguments `fieldsize`, `subgroupsize`, and `canonical_g_usage` are stored for later following usage, e.g. by the method `CheckGroup` as explained below. The argument `precompute` should be always set `true`. If these arguments are omitted, then they are set to the default values `TMCG_DDH_SIZE`, `TMCG_DLSE_SIZE`, `false`, and `true` respectively.

`bool CheckGroup ()` [Method on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This method checks whether  $p$  and  $q$  have appropriate sizes with respect to the bit lengths given during the initialization of the corresponding instance. Further, it checks whether  $p$  has the correct form (i.e.  $p = kq + 1$ ), whether  $p$  and  $q$  are probable prime, and whether  $g$  is a generator of the subgroup  $G$ . If `canonical_g_usage` is set `true` during the call of constructor, then it additionally checks whether  $g$  was generated in a verifiable way (cf. FIPS 186-3 A.2.3). It returns `true`, if all of these checks have been passed successfully.

`void PublishGroup (std::ostream& out)` [Method on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This method exports all necessary group parameters of  $G$  to the given output stream `out`, so other VTMF instances of  $G$  can be initialized, e.g. with the second constructor of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`.

`void KeyGenerationProtocol_GenerateKey ()` [Method on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This method generates a VTMF key pair and stores the numbers internally for a later following usage. It must be called before any other part of the key generation protocol is executed. Otherwise, the produced results are wrong.

`void KeyGenerationProtocol_PublishKey` [Method on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 (`std::ostream& out`)

This method exports the public part  $h_i$  of the generated VTMF key pair to the given output stream *out*. Further, it appends a non-interactive zero-knowledge proof of knowledge (NIZK) which shows that the instance knows the secret part  $x_i$  such that  $h_i \equiv g^{x_i} \pmod{p}$  holds. Due to the non-interactive nature of this proof the method has to be called only once while the computed output can be reused multiple times if necessary.

`bool KeyGenerationProtocol_UpdateKey` [Method on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 (`std::istream& in`)

This method reads the public part of a VTMF key and the NIZK from the input stream *in*. It appends the key to the common public key and returns `true`, if the given proof was sound. Otherwise, `false` is returned.

`bool KeyGenerationProtocol_RemoveKey` [Method on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 (`std::istream& in`)

This method reads the public part of a VTMF key and the corresponding NIZK from the input stream *in*. It removes the key from the common public key and returns `true`, if the key was previously appended by `KeyGenerationProtocol_UpdateKey` as explained above.

`void KeyGenerationProtocol_Finalize ()` [Method on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This method must be called after any update (`KeyGenerationProtocol_UpdateKey`) or removal (`KeyGenerationProtocol_RemoveKey`) has been performed on the common public key.

`~BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog ()` [Destructor on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This destructor releases all occupied resources.

`BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR` [Subclass of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]

This subclass implements the discrete logarithm instantiation of the VTMF primitive in the field  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$ , where  $p$  is a large prime number. The mathematical computations are performed in a special finite cyclic subgroup  $G$  (quadratic residues modulo  $p$ ) of prime order  $q$ , where  $p = 2q + 1$  holds. The security also relies on the DDH assumption w.r.t.  $G$ , i.e., the distribution  $\{g^a, g^b, g^{ab}\}$  is computationally indistinguishable from  $\{g^a, g^b, g^c\}$ , where  $g$  is a generator of  $G$  and  $a, b, c$  are chosen at random from  $\mathbf{Z}_q$ . Currently, this well-established assumption is believed to hold, if  $p$  and  $q$  are chosen according to the predefined security parameters of LibTMCG.

`mpz_t p` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This is the public prime number  $p$  which defines the underlying finite field  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$ .

`mpz_t q` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This is the public prime number  $q$  which defines the underlying cyclic group  $G$ .  $G$  denotes the unique subgroup of quadratic residues modulo  $p$  which is exactly of order  $q$ , if  $p = 2q + 1$  holds.

`mpz_t g` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This is the fixed public generator  $g$  of the underlying group  $G$ .

`mpz_t k` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This integer is fixed here by  $k = 2$ .

`mpz_t h` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This is the common public key  $h = \prod_{i=1}^k h_i$  which contains the public keys  $h_i$  of each player  $P_i$ . Note that in the above formula  $k$  denotes the number of players.

`mpz_t h_i` [Member of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`]  
 This is the public key  $h_i$  of this player instance.

`BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR` [Constructor on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR`]  
 (`const unsigned long int fieldsize = TMCG_DDH_SIZE, const unsigned long int exponentsize = TMCG_DLSE_SIZE`)

This constructor creates a new VTMF instance. That means, the safe prime  $p$  is randomly and uniformly chosen such that it has a length of  $fieldsize$  bit. Further, the generator  $g$  is initially set up by 2 and then shifted by  $fieldsize - exponentsize$  bit positions, according to the procedure described by Koshiha and Kurosawa (see *Short Exponent Diffie-Hellman Problems*, PKC 2004, LNCS 2947). If the arguments of the constructor are omitted, then  $fieldsize$  and  $exponentsize$  are set to their default values `TMCG_DDH_SIZE` and `TMCG_DLSE_SIZE`, respectively. Depending on  $fieldsize$  and  $exponentsize$  the group generation is a very time-consuming task that should be taken into account by the application designer.

`BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR` [Constructor on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR`]  
 (`std::istream& in, const unsigned long int fieldsize = TMCG_DDH_SIZE, const unsigned long int exponentsize = TMCG_DLSE_SIZE`)

This constructor initializes the VTMF instance from a correctly formatted input stream  $in$ . For example, such a stream can be generated by calling the method `PublishGroup` of an already created instance. The arguments  $fieldsize$  and  $exponentsize$  are stored for later following usage, e.g. by the method `CheckGroup` as explained below. If these arguments are omitted, then they are set to the default values `TMCG_DDH_SIZE` and `TMCG_DLSE_SIZE`, respectively.

`bool CheckGroup ()` [Method on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR`]  
 This method checks whether  $p$  and  $q$  have appropriate sizes with respect to the bit lengths given during the initialization of the corresponding instance. Further, it checks whether  $p$  has the correct form (i.e.  $p = 2q + 1$ ), whether  $p$  and  $q$  are probable prime, and whether  $g$  is a generator of the subgroup  $G$ . It returns `true`, if all of these checks have been passed successfully.

`~BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR ()` [Destructor on `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR`]  
 ()

This destructor releases all occupied resources.

### 2.2.3.3 Adaptively Secure Threshold Cryptography

Jarecki and Lysyanskaya [JL00] have introduced some useful building blocks in order to gain security against an adaptive adversary for threshold cryptography.

`JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF` [Class]

This class provides the erasure-free distributed coinflip (EDCF) protocol. It also needs a group  $G_q$  of prime order  $q$  where the discrete logarithm problem is computationally hard. The protocol produces a public value  $a = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \bmod q$  such that  $0 \leq a < q$  is random and uniformly distributed, if at least one party  $P_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$  has chosen their corresponding coin share  $a_i \in \mathbf{Z}_q$  uniformly at random.

The coinflip protocol is useful in order to transform a public-coin honest-verifier zero-knowledge proof of knowledge (HVZKP) into interactive proof resp. argument which preserve the zero-knowledge property even in case of malicious verifiers. Such proof systems are called *simultaneous* zero-knowledge proofs of knowledge. The underlying general model of Jarecki and Lysyanskaya [JL00] considers a synchronous communication network of  $n$  players with access to a reliable broadcast channel, where an adaptive adversary can corrupt up to a minority  $t < n/2$  of the players.

`mpz_t p` [Member of `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]  
This is the public prime number  $p$  which defines the underlying finite field  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$ .

`mpz_t q` [Member of `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]  
This is the public prime number  $q$  which defines the underlying cyclic group  $G_q$ . Note that  $G_q$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$  and it must be chosen to have order  $q$ .

`mpz_t g` [Member of `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]  
This is the fixed public generator  $g$  of the underlying group  $G_q$ .

`mpz_t h` [Member of `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]  
This is the common public value  $h \in G_q$  such that nobody knows  $\log_g h$ . It can be obtained by the above key generation protocol (see Section 2.2.3.2 [BarnettSmartVTMF], page 29).

**Jarecki and Lysyanskaya [JL00]:** “When secure channels are present,  $h$  can be obtained by using general techniques of multi-party computation [BGW88, CDD+99]. When secure channel are not there, and implementing them by erasure is not an option, we can use another protocol, where each player generates his share  $h_i$  of  $h$ , and then all players, in parallel, prove knowledge of  $\log_g h_i$  to each other.”

`size_t n` [Member of `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]  
This is the total number of parties  $n$  involved in this protocol.

`size_t t` [Member of `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]  
This is the maximum number of faulty parties  $t$  (reconstruction threshold).

`JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF (const size_t n_in, const size_t t_in, mpz_srcptr p_CRS, mpz_srcptr q_CRS, mpz_srcptr g_CRS, mpz_srcptr h_CRS, const unsigned long int fieldsize =TMCG_DDH_SIZE, const unsigned long int subgroupsize =TMCG_DLSE_SIZE)` [Constructor on `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]

This constructor creates a new EDCF instance. That means, the required primes  $p$  and  $q$  and the generators  $g$  and  $h$  are initialized from the given arguments  $p\_CRS$ ,  $q\_CRS$ ,  $g\_CRS$ , and  $h\_CRS$ , respectively.  $n\_in$  is the total number of participating players, for which at most  $t\_in$  are faulty or act malicious during the protocol execution.

`bool CheckGroup ()` [Method on `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]  
This method checks whether  $p$  and  $q$  have appropriate sizes with respect to the bit lengths given during the initialization of the corresponding instance. Further, it checks whether  $p$  has the correct form (i.e.  $p = kq + 1$ ), whether  $p$  and  $q$  are probable prime, and whether  $g$  resp.  $h$  are different generators of the subgroup  $G_q$ . It returns `true`, if all of these checks have been passed successfully.

`bool Flip (const size_t i, mpz_ptr a, aiounicast* aiou, CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC* rbc, std::ostream& err, const bool simulate_faulty_behaviour =false)` [Method on `JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF`]

This method starts the protocol which produces a public value  $a = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \bmod q$  such that  $0 \leq a < q$  is random and uniformly distributed, if at least one party  $P_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$  has chosen their corresponding share  $a_i \in \mathbf{Z}_q$  uniformly at random. If it returns `true`, then  $a$  contains this common random value. The argument  $i$  is an index of the running instance with respect to already initialized instances of asynchronous point-to-point channels  $aiou$  and a reliable broadcast channel  $rbc$ . Logging and debug messages are printed to the provided output stream  $err$ .

```
bool Flip_twoparty (const size_t i, [Method on JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF]
                    mpz_ptr a, std::istream& in, std::ostream& out, std::ostream& err,
                    const bool simulate_faulty_behaviour =false)
```

This is the two-party version of the above method. Thus there are only an input stream *in* and output stream *out* for communication between the players. The other arguments are as above.

```
~JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF () [Destructor on JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF]
    This destructor releases all occupied resources.
```

### 2.2.3.4 Verifiable Secret Shuffle of Homomorphic Encryptions

Recently, Groth [Gr05, Gr10] has proposed a very efficient solution to perform a verifiable shuffle of homomorphically encrypted values. He describes an honest verifier zero-knowledge argument which shows the correctness of a shuffle. Beside other applications (e.g. verifiable mix networks, electronic voting) his protocol can be used to show (with overwhelming probability) that the secret shuffle of a deck of cards was performed correctly. The computational complexity and the produced communication traffic are superior to previously deployed techniques (e.g. Schindelhauer’s cut-and-choose method). LibTMCG provides the first known implementation of Groth’s famous protocol. However, it can only be used along with the VTMF card encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03] based on the hardness of computing discrete logarithms.

Our implementation uses a generalized variant [Gr05, Gr10] of the statistically hiding and computationally binding homomorphic commitment scheme due to Pedersen (see *Non-interactive and Information-theoretic Secure Verifiable Secret Sharing*, CRYPTO ’91, LNCS 576, 1992). The binding property relies on the hardness of computing discrete logarithms in  $G$  w.r.t. random bases  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  and thus a commitment is only binding for computationally bounded provers.<sup>10</sup> But this choice seems to be reasonable for the intention of LibTMCG, because all players are supposed to be computationally bounded. The security parameters of the commitment scheme (in particular the group  $G$ ) are determined by the corresponding VTMF instance.

Since version 1.2.0 of LibTMCG we use a two-party version of a distributed coin flipping protocol by Jarecki and Lysyanskaya [JL00] to protect against malicious verifiers attacking the zero-knowledge property. Since version 1.3.0 there is an additional method for generating the bases  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  of the Pedersen commitment scheme by distributed coin flipping and a verifiable generation procedure similar to FIPS 186-3 A.2.3. This step is important in order to ensure, that a malicious prover cannot compute  $\log_{g_i} h$  resp.  $\log_h g_i$ , for some  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and thus erroneously pass the shuffle verification. It improves our former security model which considered only a passive adversary.

Further, to the best of our knowledge it is not known, whether Groth’s protocol retains the zero-knowledge property when it is executed in a concurrent setting. Thus the application programmer should be careful and avoid parallel invocations of the same instance.

**GrothVSSHE** [Class]

This class provides the low-level interface for Groth’s protocol. There are just a few methods that might be of general interest. All other components are only used internally by high-level operations and thus their description is omitted here.

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<sup>10</sup> Strictly speaking, due to this reason Groth’s protocol is a zero-knowledge *argument* instead of a zero-knowledge *proof*. However, for convenience we will not distinguish between these terms here.

```
GrothVSSHE (size_t n, mpz_srcptr p_ENC, [Constructor on GrothVSSHE]
            mpz_srcptr q_ENC, mpz_srcptr k_ENC, mpz_srcptr g_ENC,
            mpz_srcptr h_ENC, unsigned long int ell_e = TMCG_GROTH_L_E,
            unsigned long int fieldsize = TMCG_DDH_SIZE, unsigned long int
            subgroupsize = TMCG_DLSE_SIZE)
```

This constructor creates a new instance. The low-level operations are later used to show the correctness of a shuffle of at most  $n$  cards. The protocol and some parameters of the commitment scheme are initialized by the members of the corresponding VTMF instance. Consequently,  $p\_ENC$  is the prime number  $p$  which determines the field  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$ ,  $q\_ENC$  is the order of the underlying subgroup  $G$ , i.e. the prime number  $q$ , and  $k\_ENC$  is the integer such that  $p = qk + 1$  holds. Further,  $g\_ENC$  is the generator  $g$  of this subgroup, and finally  $h\_ENC$  is the common public key  $h$ . The positive integer  $ell\_e$  is the security parameter which controls the soundness error probability ( $2^{-\ell_e}$ ) of the protocol. The default value is defined by `TMCG_GROTH_L_E`, if this argument is omitted. The *fieldsize* and the *subgroupsize* are supplied to internal classes and are only of interest, if  $p\_ENC$  or  $q\_ENC$  have lengths different from the default. If these arguments are omitted, they are set to `TMCG_DDH_SIZE` and `TMCG_DLSE_SIZE`, respectively.

This constructor should be instantiated only once by the session leader. All other instances can be created by the second constructor. Further, it is very important that the VTMF key generation protocol has been finished before the value of  $h$  is passed to the constructors. Otherwise, the correctness verification of the shuffle will fail.

Note that the generators  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  of the Pedersen commitment scheme are randomly and uniformly chosen from  $\mathbf{Z}_q$  by the session leader. However, this is not verifiable by other parties and a malicious leader can choose  $g_j := h^{\xi_j} \bmod p$  for some secret  $\xi_j \in \mathbf{Z}_q$  where  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . Thus it is important to call `SetupGenerators_publiccoin` during game initialization before any shuffle verification is performed.

```
GrothVSSHE (size_t n, std::istream& in, unsigned [Constructor on GrothVSSHE]
            long int ell_e = TMCG_GROTH_L_E, unsigned long int fieldsize
            = TMCG_DDH_SIZE, unsigned long int subgroupsize = TMCG_DLSE_SIZE)
```

This constructor initializes the instance from a correctly formatted input stream  $in$ . For example, such a stream can be generated by calling the method `PublishGroup` of an already created instance. Later the instance can be used to show the correctness of a shuffle of at most  $n$  cards. The positive integer  $ell\_e$  controls the soundness error probability of the protocol. The default value is defined by `TMCG_GROTH_L_E`, if this argument is omitted.

Note that the generators  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  of the Pedersen commitment scheme are randomly and uniformly chosen from  $\mathbf{Z}_q$  by the session leader. However, this is not verifiable by other parties and a malicious leader can choose  $g_j := h^{\xi_j} \bmod p$  for some secret  $\xi_j \in \mathbf{Z}_q$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . Thus it is necessary to call the method `SetupGenerators_publiccoin` before any shuffle verification is performed.

```
void SetupGenerators_publiccoin (mpz_srcptr a) [Method on GrothVSSHE]
```

This is a simple method to setup the generators  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  of the internal Pedersen commitment scheme by using a common random value  $a$  for a verifiable generation procedure similar to FIPS 186-3 A.2.3. Note that the same  $a$  must be used by all participants and that this value should be different for each game session.

```
bool SetupGenerators_publiccoin (size_t whoami, [Method on GrothVSSHE]
                                aiounicast* aiou, CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC* rbc,
                                JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF* edcf, std::ostream& err)
```

This method setup the generators  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  of the internal Pedersen commitment scheme by using a distributed coinflip protocol [JL00] and a verifiable generation procedure similar

to FIPS 186-3 A.2.3. Assuming at least one honest player these values are randomly and uniformly chosen from  $\mathbf{Z}_q$  such that  $\log_{g_i} h$  and  $\log_h g_i$  are unknown, for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . The argument *whoami* is an index of the running instance with respect to already initialized instances of asynchronous point-to-point channels *aiou* and a reliable broadcast channel *rbc*. Logging and debug messages are printed to the provided output stream *err*. The method returns `true`, if all generators have been setup successfully.

`bool CheckGroup ()` [Method on `GrothVSSHE`]

This method checks whether the initialized commitment scheme is sound. It returns `true`, if all tests have been passed successfully.

`void PublishGroup (std::ostream& out)` [Method on `GrothVSSHE`]

This method exports the instance configuration to the output stream *out* such that other instances can be initialized, e.g. with the second constructor.

`~GrothVSSHE ()` [Destructor on `GrothVSSHE`]

This destructor releases all occupied resources.

### 2.2.3.5 Verifiable Rotation of Homomorphic Encryptions

De Hoogh, Schoenmakers, Skoric, and Villegas [HSSV09] has proposed an efficient solution to perform a verifiable rotation (also known as cyclic shift) of homomorphically encrypted values. Other solutions (e.g. Reiter and Wang, *Fragile Mixing*, ACM CCS, 2004) do not provide that level of efficiency. LibTMCG provides the first known implementation of their protocol. It can only be used with the VTMF card encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03].

Further, to the best of our knowledge it is not known, whether their protocol retains the zero-knowledge property when it is executed in a concurrent setting. Thus the application programmer should be careful and avoid parallel invocations of the same instance.

`HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE` [Class]

This class provides the low-level interface for their protocol. There are just a few methods that might be of general interest. All other components are only used internally by high-level operations and thus their description is omitted here.

`HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE (mpz_srcptr p_ENC, mpz_srcptr q_ENC, mpz_srcptr k_ENC,`  
`mpz_srcptr g_ENC, mpz_srcptr h_ENC, unsigned long int fieldsize`  
`=TMCG_DDH_SIZE, unsigned long int subgroupsize =TMCG_DLSE_SIZE)` [Constructor on `HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE`]

This constructor creates a new instance. The low-level operations are later used to show the correctness of a rotation of the cards. The protocol and some of its parameters are initialized by the members of the corresponding VTMF instance. Consequently, *p\_ENC* is the prime number *p* which determines the field  $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$ , *q\_ENC* is the order of the underlying subgroup *G*, i.e. the prime number *q*, and *k\_ENC* is the integer such that  $p = qk + 1$  holds. Further, *g\_ENC* is the generator *g*, and finally *h\_ENC* is the common public key *h*. The *fieldsize* and the *subgroupsize* are supplied to internal classes and are only of interest, if *p\_ENC* or *q\_ENC* have lengths different from the default. If these arguments are omitted, they are set to `TMCG_DDH_SIZE` and `TMCG_DLSE_SIZE`, respectively.

This constructor should be instantiated only once by the session leader. All other instances must be created by the second constructor. Further, it is very important that the VTMF key generation protocol has been finished before the value of *h* is passed to the constructor. Otherwise, the correctness verification will definitely fail.



```
HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE([Class on HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE]
    (std::istream& in, unsigned long int fieldsize =TMCG_DDH_SIZE,
     unsigned long int subgroupsize =TMCG_DLSE_SIZE)
```

This constructor initializes the instance from a correctly formatted input stream *in*. For example, such a stream can be generated by calling the method `PublishGroup` of an already created instance. Later the instance can be used to show the correctness of a rotation.

```
bool CheckGroup () [Method on HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE]
    This method checks whether the initialized commitment scheme is sound. It returns true,
    if all tests have been passed successfully.
```

```
void PublishGroup [Method on HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE]
    (std::ostream& out)
    This method exports the instance configuration to the output stream out such that other
    instances can be initialized, e.g. with the second constructor.
```

```
~HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE([Class on HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE]
    ())
    This destructor releases all occupied resources.
```

### 2.2.3.6 Toolbox for Mental Card Games

This section explains the main class of LibTMCG which provides some “high-level operations” from Schindelhauer’s toolbox [Sc98]. Even if the more efficient card encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03] will be deployed in your application, at least one instance of the following class must be created to perform any card or stack operations.

**SchindelhauerTMCG** [Class]

This class implements the main core of Schindelhauer’s toolbox, i.e. important functions like masking, opening, and shuffling of cards and stacks, respectively. Some exotic operations are still missing, e.g., the possibility to insert a masked card secretly into a stack or the verifiable subset properties of stacks. All implemented operations are available for the original encoding scheme of Schindelhauer (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11) and, of course, for the more efficient encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart (see Section 2.2.3.2 [BarnettSmartVTMF], page 29) as well.

```
unsigned long int TMCG_SecurityLevel [Member of SchindelhauerTMCG]
    This read-only nonnegative integer represents the security parameter  $\kappa$  which was given
    to the constructor of this class. It defines the number of sequential protocol iterations and
    hence the soundness error probability ( $2^{-\kappa}$ ) of the zero-knowledge proofs in the encoding
    scheme of Schindelhauer. Further it defines the soundness error probability (also  $2^{-\kappa}$ ) of
    the shuffle argument in the encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart, if the efficient protocols
    of Groth [Gr05, Gr10] and others [HSSV09] are not used.
```

```
size_t TMCG_Players [Member of SchindelhauerTMCG]
    This read-only nonnegative integer represents the number of players as given to the con-
    structor of this class.
```

```
size_t TMCG_TypeBits [Member of SchindelhauerTMCG]
    This read-only nonnegative integer contains the number of bits that are necessary to
    encode the card types in the binary representation. It was given as an argument to the
    constructor of this class.
```

**SchindelhauerTMCG** (const unsigned long [Constructor on SchindelhauerTMCG]  
int *security*, const size\_t *k*, const size\_t *w*)

This constructor creates an instance, where *security* is a nonnegative integer that represents the security parameter  $\kappa$ . The parameter *k* is the number of players and *w* is the number of bits which are necessary to represent all possible card types in a binary representation.

The integer  $\kappa$  controls the maximum soundness error probability ( $2^{-\kappa}$ ) of the zero-knowledge proofs in the encoding scheme of Schindelhauer. Specifically, *security* defines the number of sequential iterations of the involved protocols and thus has a major impact on the computational and communication complexity. If the encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03] is used, then it only defines the soundness error probability (also  $2^{-\kappa}$ ) of the corresponding shuffle proof. However, if the efficient shuffle verification protocol of Groth [Gr05] is used, then the parameter *security* is dispensable, because the parameter *ell\_e* given during instantiation of GrothVSSHE (e.g. the LibTMCG default security parameter `TMCG_GROTH_L_E`) determines this soundness error probability ( $2^{-\ell_e}$ ). The similar holds for the verifiable rotation protocol [HSSV09], however, in this case there is no explicit security parameter for the soundness error.

Unfortunately, the parameters *k* and *w* have a major impact on the complexity in the encoding scheme of Schindelhauer, too. Therefore you should always use reasonable values here. For example, to create a deck with *M* different card types simply set *w* to  $\lceil \log_2 M \rceil$  which is an tight upper-bound for the applied binary representation. Furthermore, set *k* to the number of players which are really involved and not to a possible maximum value. Note that *k* and *w* are limited by the global constants `TMCG_MAX_PLAYERS` and `TMCG_MAX_TYPEBITS`, respectively.

void **TMCG\_CreateOpenCard** (TMCG\_Card& *c*, [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]  
const TMCG\_PublicKeyRing& *ring*, const size\_t *type*)

This method initializes the open card *c* with the given *type* using the encoding scheme of Schindelhauer. The *type* MUST be an integer from the interval  $[0, 2^w - 1]$ , where *w* is the number given to the constructor of this class. The *w* MUST be the same number as used at creation of *c* (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11). The parameter *ring* is a container with exactly *k* public keys, where *k* is the number given to the constructor of this class. The *k* MUST be the same number as used at the creation of *c*.

void **TMCG\_CreateOpenCard** (VTMF\_Card& *c*, [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]  
BarnettSmartVTMF\_dlog\* *vtmf*, const size\_t *type*)

This method initializes the open card *c* with the given *type* using the encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart. The *type* MUST be an integer from the interval  $[0, 2^w - 1]$ , where *w* is the number given to the constructor of this class. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol was successfully finished (see Section 2.2.3.2 [BarnettSmartVTMF], page 29, and `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog_GroupQR`, respectively).

void **TMCG\_CreateCardSecret** [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]  
(TMCG\_CardSecret& *cs*, const TMCG\_PublicKeyRing& *ring*, const size\_t  
*index*)

This method initializes the card secret *cs* with random values which is necessary to perform later a masking operation on a card. The parameter *ring* is a container with exactly *k* public keys, where *k* is the number given to the constructor of this class. It MUST be the same number as used at the creation of *cs* (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11). The parameter *index* is from the interval  $[0, k - 1]$  and determines the position of the players public key in the container *ring*.

`void TMCg_CreateCardSecret` [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]  
 (`VTMF_CardSecret& cs`, `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf`)

This method initializes the card secret `cs` with a random value which is necessary to perform later a masking operation on a card. The parameter `vtmf` is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished (see Section 2.2.3.2 [BarnettSmartVTMF], page 29).

`void TMCg_CreatePrivateCard` (`TMCg_Card& c`, [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]  
`TMCg_CardSecret& cs`, `const TMCg_PublicKeyRing& ring`, `const size_t index`, `const size_t type`)

This method initializes a masked card `c` with the given `type` and a corresponding card secret `cs` using the encoding scheme of Schindelbauer. The `type` MUST be an integer from the interval  $[0, 2^w - 1]$ , where  $w$  is the number given to the constructor of this class. The  $w$  MUST be the same number as used at creation of `c` and `cs` (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11). The parameter `ring` is a container with exactly  $k$  public keys, where  $k$  is the number given to the constructor of this class. The  $k$  MUST be the same number as used at the creation of `c` and `cs`. The parameter `index` is from the interval  $[0, k - 1]$  and determines the position of the players public key in the container `ring`. Internally, `TMCg_CreatePrivateCard` calls

1. `TMCg_CreateOpenCard` to initialize `c` with `type`,
2. `TMCg_CreateCardSecret` to initialize `cs` with random values, and
3. `TMCg_MaskCard` to mask `c` with the secret `cs`.

`void TMCg_CreatePrivateCard` (`VTMF_Card& c`, [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]  
`VTMF_CardSecret& cs`, `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf`, `const size_t type`)

This method initializes a masked card `c` with the given `type` and a corresponding card secret `cs` using the encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart. The `type` MUST be an integer from the interval  $[0, 2^w - 1]$ , where  $w$  is the number given to the constructor of this class. The parameter `vtmf` is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished (see Section 2.2.3.2 [BarnettSmartVTMF], page 29). Specifically, `TMCg_CreatePrivateCard` directly executes the masking operation of the verifiable masking protocol.

`void TMCg_MaskCard` (`const TMCg_Card& c`, [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]  
`TMCg_Card& cc`, `const TMCg_CardSecret& cs`, `const TMCg_PublicKeyRing& ring`, `const bool TimingAttackProtection =true`)

This method performs a masking operation on the open or already masked card `c` using the encoding scheme of Schindelbauer. Finally it returns the result in `cc`. The parameter `cs` MUST be an initialized fresh card secret which has NEVER been involved in a masking operation before. The parameters `c`, `cc`, and `cs` MUST be created such that their  $k$  and  $w$  corresponds to the numbers given to the constructor of this class, respectively. The parameter `ring` is a container with exactly  $k$  public keys. The protection against timing attacks is turned on, if `TimingAttackProtection` is set to `true`.

`void TMCg_MaskCard` (`const VTMF_Card& c`, [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]  
`VTMF_Card& cc`, `const VTMF_CardSecret& cs`, `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf`, `const bool TimingAttackProtection =true`)

This method performs a masking operation on the open or already masked card `c` using the encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart. Finally it returns the result in `cc`. Specifically, `TMCg_MaskCard` directly executes the masking operation of the verifiable re-masking protocol. The parameter `cs` MUST be an initialized fresh card secret which has NEVER been involved in a masking operation before. The parameter `vtmf` is a pointer to an already

initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished (see Section 2.2.3.2 [BarnettSmartVTMF], page 29). The protection against timing attacks is turned on, if *TimingAttackProtection* is set to `true`.

```
void TCG_ProveMaskCard (const TCG_Card&      [Method on SchindelbauerTCG]
                       c, const TCG_Card& cc, const TCG_CardSecret& cs, const
                       TCG_PublicKeyRing& ring, std::istream& in, std::ostream& out)
```

This method should be called by the prover after `TCG_MaskCard` to show that he performed the masking operation correctly. The parameters `c`, `cc`, and `cs` are the input, the result, and the used card secret of `TCG_MaskCard`, respectively. They MUST be created such that their  $k$  resp.  $w$  corresponds to the numbers given to the constructor of this class. The parameter `ring` is a container with exactly  $k$  public keys. The input/output protocol messages from and to the verifier are transmitted on the streams `in` and `out`, respectively.

```
void TCG_ProveMaskCard (const VTMF_Card&    [Method on SchindelbauerTCG]
                       c, const VTMF_Card& cc, const VTMF_CardSecret& cs,
                       BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf, std::istream& in, std::ostream& out)
```

This method should be executed by the prover after calling `TCG_MaskCard` to show that he performed the masking operation correctly. Specifically, `TCG_ProveMaskCard` directly calls the prove operation of the verifiable re-masking protocol. The parameters `c`, `cc`, and `cs` are the input, the result, and the used card secret of `TCG_MaskCard`, respectively. The parameter `vtmf` is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished. The input/output protocol messages from and to the verifier are transmitted on the streams `in` and `out`, respectively.

```
bool TCG_VerifyMaskCard (const TCG_Card&    [Method on SchindelbauerTCG]
                        c, const TCG_Card& cc, const TCG_PublicKeyRing& ring,
                        std::istream& in, std::ostream& out)
```

This method should be executed by the verifier to check whether or not a masking operation was performed correctly. The parameters `c` and `cc` are the input and the result of `TCG_MaskCard`, respectively. They MUST be created such that their  $k$  resp.  $w$  corresponds to the numbers given to the constructor of this class. The parameter `ring` is a container with exactly  $k$  public keys. The input/output protocol messages from and to the prover are transmitted on the streams `in` and `out`, respectively. The method returns `true`, if everything was sound.

```
bool TCG_VerifyMaskCard (const VTMF_Card&   [Method on SchindelbauerTCG]
                        c, const VTMF_Card& cc, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf,
                        std::istream& in, std::ostream& out)
```

This method should be executed by the verifier to check whether or not a masking operation was performed correctly. Specifically, `TCG_VerifyMaskCard` directly calls the verify operation of the verifiable re-masking protocol. The parameters `c` and `cc` are the input and the result of `TCG_MaskCard`, respectively. The parameter `vtmf` is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished. The input/output protocol messages from and to the prover are transmitted on the streams `in` and `out`, respectively. The method returns `true`, if everything was sound.

```
void TCG_ProveCardSecret (const              [Method on SchindelbauerTCG]
                          TCG_Card& c, const TCG_SecretKey& key, const size_t index,
                          std::istream& in, std::ostream& out)
```

This method is used to reveal the card type of `c` to a verifier. Every player must execute this method as prover. The card `c` MUST be created such that its  $k$  resp.  $w$  corresponds to the numbers given to the constructor of this class. The parameter `key` is the corresponding secret key (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11) of the prover. The parameter

*index* is from the interval  $[0, k - 1]$  and contains the position of the provers public key in the container *ring* (same as in `TMCG_CreateCardSecret`). The input/output protocol messages from and to the verifier are transmitted on the streams *in* and *out*, respectively.

```
void TMCG_ProveCardSecret (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    VTMF_Card& c, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf, std::istream& in,
    std::ostream& out)
```

This method is used to reveal the card type of *c* to a verifier. Every player must execute this method as prover. Specifically, `TMCG_ProveCardSecret` directly calls the prove operation of the verifiable decryption protocol. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished. The input/output protocol messages from and to the verifier are transmitted on the streams *in* and *out*, respectively.

```
bool TMCG_VerifyCardSecret (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    TMCG_Card& c, TMCG_CardSecret& cs, const TMCG_PublicKey& key, const
    size_t index, std::istream& in, std::ostream& out)
```

This method is used to verify and accumulate card type information regarding *c* that are supplied by a prover. It is the opposite method of `TMCG_ProveCardSecret` and must be executed by the player who wants to know the type. The secrets provided by the single provers are accumulated in the parameter *cs*. Thus *c* and *cs* MUST be created such that their *k* resp. *w* corresponds to the numbers given to the constructor of this class. The parameter *key* is the corresponding public key (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11) of the prover. The parameter *index* is from the interval  $[0, k - 1]$  and contains the position of the provers public key in the container *ring* (same as in `TMCG_CreateCardSecret`). The input/output protocol messages from and to the prover are transmitted on the streams *in* and *out*, respectively.

```
bool TMCG_VerifyCardSecret (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    VTMF_Card& c, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf, std::istream& in,
    std::ostream& out)
```

This method is used to verify and accumulate card type information regarding *c* that are supplied by a prover. It is the opposite method of `TMCG_ProveCardSecret` and must be executed by the player who wants to know the type. The secrets provided by the single provers are accumulated internally, thus this method cannot be interleaved with the opening of other cards. Specifically, `TMCG_VerifyCardSecret` directly calls the verify and update operation of the verifiable decryption protocol. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished. The input/output protocol messages from and to the verifier are transmitted on the streams *in* and *out*, respectively.

```
void TMCG_SelfCardSecret (const TMCG_Card& [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    c, TMCG_CardSecret& cs, const TMCG_SecretKey& key, const size_t
    index)
```

This method is used to compute and accumulate card type information regarding *c*. Analogously to `TMCG_VerifyCardSecret` it must be executed by the player who wants to know the type of *c*. The information is accumulated in the parameter *cs*. Thus *c* and *cs* MUST be created such that their *k* resp. *w* corresponds to the numbers given to the constructor of this class. The parameter *key* is the corresponding secret key (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11) of the player. The parameter *index* is from the interval  $[0, k - 1]$  and contains the position of the players public key in the container *ring* (same as in `TMCG_CreateCardSecret`).

```
void TMCg_SelfCardSecret (const VTmf_Card& c, BarnettSmartVTmf_dlog* vtmf) [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]
```

This method is used to compute and accumulate card type information regarding *c*. It MUST be called by the player who wants to know the type of *c* BEFORE `TMCg_VerifyCardSecret` and `TMCg_TypeOfCard` are executed. The secrets provided by the player are accumulated internally, thus this method cannot be interleaved with the opening of other cards. Specifically, `TMCg_SelfCardSecret` directly calls the initialize operation of the verifiable decryption protocol. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTmf instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished.

```
size_t TMCg_TypeOfCard (const TMCg_CardSecret& cs) [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]
```

This method returns the type of a masked card provided that the type information were properly accumulated in *cs* before (by calling `TMCg_SelfCardSecret` and `TMCg_VerifyCardSecret`, respectively).

```
size_t TMCg_TypeOfCard (const VTmf_Card& c, BarnettSmartVTmf_dlog* vtmf) [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]
```

This method returns the type of a masked card *c* provided that the type information regarding *c* were properly accumulated internally before (by calling `TMCg_SelfCardSecret` and `TMCg_VerifyCardSecret`, respectively). It returns the value `TMCg_MaxCardType`, if the opening operation failed or if the card type was not among the set of valid types. This method MUST be performed by the player who wants to know the type AFTER `TMCg_SelfCardSecret` and `TMCg_VerifyCardSecret` are executed. Specifically, `TMCg_TypeOfCard` directly calls the finalize operation of the verifiable decryption protocol. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTmf instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished.

```
size_t TMCg_CreateStackSecret (TMCg_StackSecret<TMCg_CardSecret>& ss, const bool cyclic, const TMCg_PublicKeyRing& ring, const size_t index, const size_t size) [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]
```

This method initializes the stack secret *ss* with a randomly and uniformly chosen permutation (using the algorithm of Knuth) and fresh card secrets. Later this stack secret can be used to perform a secret shuffle operation on a stack. If the parameter *cyclic* is set to `true`, then the permutation is only a cyclic shift which might be of interest for particular operations, e.g. cutting the deck. The parameter *ring* is a container with exactly *k* public keys, where *k* is the number given to the constructor of this class. The parameter *index* is from the interval  $[0, k - 1]$  and contains the position of the player's public key in the container *ring*. The parameter *size* determines the size of the created stack secret, i.e. the number of cards in the corresponding stack. The *size* is upper-bounded by `TMCg_MAX_CARDS`. The method returns the offset of the cyclic shift, if *cyclic* was set to `true`. Otherwise, the value 0 is returned.

```
size_t TMCg_CreateStackSecret (TMCg_StackSecret<VTmf_CardSecret>& ss, const bool cyclic, const size_t size, BarnettSmartVTmf_dlog* vtmf) [Method on SchindelbauerTMCg]
```

This method initializes the stack secret *ss* with a randomly and uniformly chosen permutation (using the algorithm of Knuth) and fresh card secrets. Later this stack secret can be used to perform a secret shuffle operation on a stack. If the parameter *cyclic* is set to `true`, then the permutation is only a cyclic shift which might be of interest for particular operations, e.g. cutting the deck. The parameter *size* determines the size of the created stack secret, i.e. the number of cards in the corresponding stack. The *size* is upper-bounded by `TMCg_MAX_CARDS`. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTmf instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished.

The method returns the offset of the cyclic shift, if *cyclic* was set to `true`. Otherwise, the value 0 is returned.

```
void TMCg_CreateStackSecret [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    (TMCg_StackSecret<TMCg_CardSecret>& ss, const
     std::vector<size_t>& pi, const TMCg_PublicKeyRing& ring, const
     size_t index, const size_t size)
```

This method initializes the stack secret *ss* with a given permutation *pi* and fresh card secrets. Later this stack secret can be used to perform a secret shuffle operation on a stack. The parameter *ring* is a container with exactly *k* public keys, where *k* is the number given to the constructor of this class. The parameter *index* is from the interval  $[0, k - 1]$  and contains the position of the player's public key in the container *ring*. The parameter *size* determines the size of the created stack secret, i.e. the number of cards in the corresponding stack. The *size* is upper-bounded by `TMCg_MAX_CARDS`.

```
void TMCg_CreateStackSecret [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    (TMCg_StackSecret<VTMF_CardSecret>& ss, const
     std::vector<size_t>& pi, const size_t size, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog*
     vtmf)
```

This method initializes the stack secret *ss* with a given permutation *pi* and fresh card secrets. Later this stack secret can be used to perform a secret shuffle operation on a stack. The parameter *size* determines the size of the created stack secret, i.e. the number of cards in the corresponding stack. The *size* is upper-bounded by `TMCg_MAX_CARDS`. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished.

```
void TMCg_MixStack (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    TMCg_Stack<TMCg_Card>& s, TMCg_Stack<TMCg_Card>& s2, const
    TMCg_StackSecret<TMCg_CardSecret>& ss, const TMCg_PublicKeyRing&
    ring, const bool TimingAttackProtection =true)
```

This method shuffles a given stack *s* according to the previously created stack secret *ss* (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11). The result of the shuffle is returned in *s2*. The parameter *ss* MUST be a fresh stack secret which has NEVER been involved in a shuffle operation before. The parameters *s* and *ss* MUST be of the same size. The parameter *ring* is a container with exactly *k* public keys, where *k* is the number given to the constructor of this class. The protection against timing attacks is turned on, if *TimingAttackProtection* is set to `true`.

```
void TMCg_MixStack (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2, const
    TMCg_StackSecret<VTMF_CardSecret>& ss, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog*
    vtmf, const bool TimingAttackProtection =true)
```

This method shuffles a given stack *s* according to the previously created stack secret *ss* (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11). The result of the shuffle is returned in *s2*. The parameter *ss* MUST be a fresh stack secret which has NEVER been involved in a shuffle operation before. The parameters *s* and *ss* MUST be of the same size. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished. The protection against timing attacks is turned on, if *TimingAttackProtection* is set to `true`.

```
void TMCg_ProveStackEquality (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    TMCg_Stack<TMCg_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<TMCg_Card>& s2, const
    TMCg_StackSecret<TMCg_CardSecret>& ss, const bool cyclic, const
    TMCg_PublicKeyRing& ring, const size_t index, std::istream& in,
    std::ostream& out)
```

This method should be called by the prover after `TMCg_MixStack` to show that he performed the shuffle operation correctly. The parameters `s`, `s2`, and `ss` are the input, the result, and the used stack secret of `TMCg_MixStack`, respectively. Of course, the parameters `s`, `s2`, and `ss` MUST be of the same size. The parameter `cyclic` determines whether a cyclic shift or a full permutation was used to shuffle the stack. The parameter `ring` is a container with exactly  $k$  public keys, where  $k$  is the number given to the constructor of this class. The parameter `index` is from the interval  $[0, k - 1]$  and contains the position of the provers public key in the container `ring`. The input/output protocol messages from and to the verifier are transmitted on the streams `in` and `out`, respectively.

```
void TMCg_ProveStackEquality (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2, const
    TMCg_StackSecret<VTMF_CardSecret>& ss, const bool cyclic,
    BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf, std::istream& in, std::ostream& out)
```

This method should be called by the prover after `TMCg_MixStack` to show that he performed the shuffle operation correctly. The parameters `s`, `s2`, and `ss` are the input, the result, and the used stack secret of `TMCg_MixStack`, respectively. Of course, the parameters `s`, `s2`, and `ss` MUST be of the same size. The parameter `cyclic` determines whether a cyclic shift or a full permutation was used to shuffle the stack. The parameter `vtmf` is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished. The input/output protocol messages from and to the verifier are transmitted on the streams `in` and `out`, respectively.

```
void TMCg_ProveStackEquality_Groth (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2, const
    TMCg_StackSecret<VTMF_CardSecret>& ss, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog*
    vtmf, GrothVSSHE* vsshe, std::istream& in, std::ostream& out)
```

This is a method like above. The only difference is that the more efficient interactive shuffle verification protocol of Groth [Gr05] is used. Thus `vsshe` is a pointer to a proper initialized instance of `GrothVSSHE`. The rest of the arguments are the same.

```
void [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    TMCg_ProveStackEquality_Groth_noninteractive (const
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2, const
    TMCg_StackSecret<VTMF_CardSecret>& ss, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog*
    vtmf, GrothVSSHE* vsshe, std::ostream& out)
```

This is a method like above. The difference is that the non-interactive version of the shuffle verification protocol is used. Thus only an output stream `out` is given, for example `std::stringstream` can be appropriate here. Again `vsshe` is a pointer to a proper initialized instance of `GrothVSSHE`. The rest of the arguments are the same.

```
void TMCg_ProveStackEquality_Hoogh (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCg]
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2, const
    TMCg_StackSecret<VTMF_CardSecret>& ss, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog*
    vtmf, HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE* vrhe, std::istream&
    in, std::ostream& out)
```

This is a method like above. The only difference is that the more efficient rotation verification protocol [HSSV09] is used. Thus `vrhe` is a pointer to an initialized instance of `HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE`. The rest of the arguments are the same.



```
void [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    TMCg_ProveStackEquality_Hoogh_noninteractive (const
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2, const
    TMCg_StackSecret<VTMF_CardSecret>& ss, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog*
    vtmf, HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE* vrhe, std::ostream&
    out)
```

This is a method like above. The difference is that the non-interactive version of the rotation verification protocol is used. Thus only an output stream *out* is given, for example `std::stringstream` can be appropriate here. Again *vrhe* is a pointer to an initialized instance of `HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE`. The rest of the arguments are the same.

```
bool TMCg_VerifyStackEquality (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    TMCg_Stack<TMCg_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<TMCg_Card>& s2, const
    bool cyclic, const TMCg_PublicKeyRing& ring, std::istream& in,
    std::ostream& out)
```

This method should be executed by the verifier to check whether or not a shuffle operation was performed correctly. The parameters *s* and *s2* are the input and the result of `TMCg_MixStack`, respectively. Of course, the parameters *s* and *s2* should be of the same size. The parameter *cyclic* determines whether a cyclic shift or a full permutation was used to shuffle the stack. The parameter *ring* is a container with exactly *k* public keys, where *k* is the number given to the constructor of this class. The input/output protocol messages from and to the prover are transmitted on the streams *in* and *out*, respectively. This method returns `true`, if the shuffle operation was successfully verified.

```
bool TMCg_VerifyStackEquality (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2, const
    bool cyclic, BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf, std::istream& in,
    std::ostream& out)
```

This method should be executed by the verifier to check whether or not a shuffle operation was performed correctly. The parameters *s* and *s2* are the input and the result of `TMCg_MixStack`, respectively. Of course, the parameters *s* and *s2* should be of the same size. The parameter *cyclic* determines whether a cyclic shift or a full permutation was used to shuffle the stack. The parameter *vtmf* is a pointer to an already initialized VTMF instance, i.e. the key generation protocol MUST be successfully finished. The input/output protocol messages from and to the verifier are transmitted on the streams *in* and *out*, respectively. This method returns `true`, if the shuffle operation was successfully verified.

```
bool TMCg_VerifyStackEquality_Groth (const [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2,
    BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf, GrothVSSHE* vsshe, std::istream& in,
    std::ostream& out)
```

This is a method like above. The only difference is that the more efficient shuffle verification protocol of Groth is used. Thus *vsshe* is a pointer to an initialized instance of `GrothVSSHE`. The rest of the arguments and the returned values are the same.

```
bool [Method on SchindelhauerTMCG]
    TMCg_VerifyStackEquality_Groth_noninteractive (const
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2,
    BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf, GrothVSSHE* vsshe, std::istream& in)
```

This is a method like above. The difference is that the non-interactive version of the shuffle verification protocol is used. Thus only an input stream *in* is given, for example `std::stringstream` can be appropriate here. Again *vsshe* is a pointer to an initialized instance of `GrothVSSHE`. The rest of the arguments and the returned values are the same.

```
bool TCG_VerifyStackEquality_Hoogh (const [Method on SchindelhauerTCG]
    TCG_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TCG_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2,
    BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf,
    HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE* vrhe, std::istream& in,
    std::ostream& out)
```

This is a method like above. The only difference is that the more efficient rotation verification protocol [HSSV09] is used. Thus *vrhe* is a pointer to an initialized instance of `HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE`. The rest of the arguments and the returned values are the same.

```
bool [Method on SchindelhauerTCG]
    TCG_VerifyStackEquality_Hoogh_noninteractive (const
    TCG_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s, const TCG_Stack<VTMF_Card>& s2,
    BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog* vtmf,
    HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE* vrhe, std::istream& in)
```

This is a method like above. The difference is that the non-interactive version of the rotation verification protocol is used. Thus only an input stream *in* is given, for example `std::stringstream` can be appropriate here. Again *vrhe* is a pointer to an initialized instance of `HooghSchoenmakersSkoricVillegasVRHE`. The rest of the arguments and the returned values are the same.

```
~SchindelhauerTCG () [Destructor on SchindelhauerTCG]
    This destructor releases all occupied resources.
```

## 3 Examples

The following examples explain most of the steps that are necessary to create a secure and verifiable card game with LibTMCG. We consider an application with five permanent players (denoted by  $P_0, P_1, P_2, P_3,$  and  $P_4$ ) and a regular deck of 52 different cards. For convenience only the more efficient card encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart [BS03] is described. Additionally, we complete our exposition with code fragments which show the application of the fast shuffle verification protocol due to Groth [Gr05, Gr10] with an interactive or even non-interactive instantiation of the zero-knowledge proofs. On modern computers this approach achieves good real world performance and simultaneously keeps the cheating probability negligible.

Throughout the remaining pages we assume that all players are pairwise connected by authenticated communication channels. These channels are organized in input resp. output streams, where `input_stream[i]` resp. `output_stream[i]` denote the corresponding `std::istream` resp. `std::ostream` instance for the communication with player  $P_i$ .<sup>1</sup>

### 3.1 Library Initialization

The very first step that should be done is the initialization of LibTMCG. You can simply perform this task by calling the function `init_libTMCG` and evaluating the return code.

```
if (!init_libTMCG())
    std::cerr << "Initialization of LibTMCG failed!" << std::endl;
```

Additionally, in most cases it is useful to check the installed version of the library by comparing the desired value with the returned string of the function `version_libTMCG`.

### 3.2 Setup Communication Channels

Some multiparty protocols require additional asynchronous point-to-point communication channels (authenticated and private) and a reliable broadcast channel. The following example shows, how to setup these channels for player  $P_i$ :

```
// create asynchronous private unicast channels
aiouicast_select *aiou = new aiouicast_select(5, i, uP_in, uP_out, uP_key,
    aiouicast::aio_scheduler_roundrobin, aiouicast::aio_timeout_short);

// create asynchronous private broadcast channels
aiouicast_select *aiou2 = new aiouicast_select(5, i, bP_in, bP_out, bP_key,
    aiouicast::aio_scheduler_roundrobin, aiouicast::aio_timeout_short);

// create an instance of a reliable broadcast protocol (RBC)
std::string myID = "example-poker-libTMCG-reference-manual";
CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC *rbc = new CachinKursawePetzoldShoupRBC(5, 1, i,
    aiou2, aiouicast::aio_scheduler_roundrobin, aiouicast::aio_timeout_short);
rbc->setID(myID);
```

We assume that pairwise private keys (e.g. passphrases) have been exchanged (i.e. vector `uP_key` resp. `bP_key`) and point-to-point links (i.e. input file descriptors in vector `uP_in` resp. `bP_in` and output file descriptors in vector `uP_out` resp. `bP_out`) have been already established.

<sup>1</sup> We assume that the players are ordered in a natural way such that we can use an uniform nomenclature.

### 3.3 Session Initialization and Key Generation

In the next step we create an instance of the class `SchindelhauerTMCG`. The first parameter determines the number of protocol iterations  $\kappa$  which upper-bounds the cheating probability by  $2^{-\kappa}$ . In our example the used value 64 defines a maximum cheating probability of  $5.421010862 \cdot 10^{-20}$  which is reasonable small for our purposes.<sup>2</sup> The second parameter passes the number of players to the instance which is simply 5 in our case. The last argument defines the number of bits that are necessary to encode all card types in a binary representation. The given value 6 allows the encoding of  $2^6 = 64$  different card types at maximum. This is enough to form our deck of 52 cards.

```
SchindelhauerTMCG *tmcg = new SchindelhauerTMCG(64, 5, 6);
```

In our example we would like to use the more efficient encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart, thus we create an instance of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`. However, a particular player has to act as a *leader* who performs the generation of the group  $G$  as a common reference. In our case  $P_0$  will be the session leader. First, he executes the constructor of the class `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog` that may take some time.

```
BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog *vtmf = new BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog();
```

Afterwards he checks the generated group  $G$  and sends the public parameters to all other players (their corresponding stream indices are 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively).

```
if (!vtmf->CheckGroup())
    std::cerr << "Group G was not correctly generated!" << std::endl;
for (size_t i = 1; i < 5; i++)
    vtmf->PublishGroup(output_stream[i]);
```

The other players receive the group parameters from  $P_0$  and use them to initialize their corresponding instances of `BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog`. It is very important that they also check, whether the group  $G$  was correctly generated by the leader.

```
BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog *vtmf =
    new BarnettSmartVTMF_dlog(input_stream[0]);
if (!vtmf->CheckGroup())
    std::cerr << "Group G was not correctly generated!" << std::endl;
```

Afterwards the key generation protocol is carried out. First, every player generates his own VTMF key. The private key material is stored internally and will never be exposed.

```
vtmf->KeyGenerationProtocol_GenerateKey();
```

Then every player  $P_j$  sends the public part of his VTMF key along with a non-interactive zero-knowledge proof of knowledge (NIZK) to each other player. The appended proof shows that he indeed knows the corresponding secret key. However, due to the non-interactive nature of this proof we have to be careful, if the same group  $G$  is eventually used again. It is even better to generate a fresh group (common reference) and key for each new game session.

<sup>2</sup> If we use the encoding scheme of Barnett and Smart and only Groth's shuffle protocol during the game, then the error probability is even smaller, because the security parameters of them are fixed within LibTMCG (see Section 2.1 [Preprocessor Defined Global Symbols], page 8).

```

for (size_t i = 0; i < 5; i++)
{
    if (i != j)
        vtmf->KeyGenerationProtocol_PublishKey(output_stream[i]);
}

```

After sending,  $P_j$  receives the public keys of the other players. Of course she checks, whether these keys are correctly generated, and she updates the common public key  $h$ .

```

for (size_t i = 0; i < 5; i++)
{
    if (i != j)
    {
        if (!vtmf->KeyGenerationProtocol_UpdateKey(input_stream[i]))
            std::cerr << "Public key was not correctly generated!" << std::endl;
    }
}

```

Finally, every player must finalize the key generation protocol.

```

vtmf->KeyGenerationProtocol_Finalize();

```

For some sophisticated parts of LibTMCG a distributed coin flipping protocol is necessary. It protects the honest-verifier zero-knowledge proofs or arguments against malicious verifiers. So, all players should execute as an initialization procedure:

```

JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF *edcf;
edcf = new JareckiLysyanskayaEDCF(5, 5, vtmf->p, vtmf->q, vtmf->g, vtmf->h);
if (!edcf->CheckGroup())
    std::cerr << "Group G was not correctly generated!" << std::endl;

```

If we want to use the more efficient shuffle verification protocol of Groth, then  $P_0$  must also create an instance of `GrothVSSHE`. The first argument determines the maximum stack size of which the correctness of a shuffle will be proven. The other parameters are obtained from the former created VTMF instance `vtmf`. It is important that the key generation protocol has been finalized before the common public key  $h$  (i.e. `vtmf->h`) is passed, because this value is checked within.

```

GrothVSSHE *vsshe = new GrothVSSHE(52, vtmf->p, vtmf->q, vtmf->k,
    vtmf->g, vtmf->h);

```

Again,  $P_0$  will send the public parameters of the VSSHE instance to all other players.

```

for (size_t i = 1; i < 5; i++)
    vsshe->PublishGroup(output_stream[i]);

```

The other players receive these parameters from the leader and use them to initialize their corresponding instances of `GrothVSSHE`. Again, it is important to check, whether the parameters were correctly chosen by the leader.

```
GrothVSSHE *vsshe = new GrothVSSHE(52, input_stream[0]);
if (!vsshe->CheckGroup())
    std::cerr << "VSSHE was not correctly generated!" << std::endl;
if (mpz_cmp(vtmf->h, vsshe->com->h))
    std::cerr << "VSSHE: Common public key does not match!" << std::endl;
if (mpz_cmp(vtmf->q, vsshe->com->q))
    std::cerr << "VSSHE: Subgroup order does not match!" << std::endl;
if (mpz_cmp(vtmf->p, vsshe->p) || mpz_cmp(vtmf->q, vsshe->q) ||
    mpz_cmp(vtmf->g, vsshe->g) || mpz_cmp(vtmf->h, vsshe->h))
    std::cerr << "VSSHE: Encryption scheme does not match!" << std::endl;
```

Last but not least the setup of some internal generators must be accomplished by all players in a verifiable way (see Section 2.2.3.4 [GrothVSSHE], page 34).<sup>3</sup>

```
std::stringstream err_log;
if (!vsshe->SetupGenerators_publiccoin(whoami, aiou, rbc, edcf, err_log))
    std::cerr << "VSSHE: SetupGenerators_publiccoin() failed!" << std::endl;
// synchronize
rbc->Sync(aiounicast::aio_timeout_short);
```

## 3.4 Operations on Cards

Now we are ready to perform several operations on cards. We start with some basic stuff which might be of interest in particular situations. However, it is often more convenient to work directly with stacks, as explained later.

### 3.4.1 Creating an Open Card

The creation of an open card is very simple. The following code creates a card of type 7.

```
VTMF_Card c;
tmcg->TMCG_CreateOpenCard(c, vtmf, 7);
```

### 3.4.2 Masking and Re-masking of a Card

Now the previously created card  $c$  will be masked to hide its type. Then  $cc$  is sent to  $P_1$ .

```
VTMF_Card cc;
VTMF_CardSecret cs;
tmcg->TMCG_CreateCardSecret(cs, vtmf);
tmcg->TMCG_MaskCard(c, cc, cs, vtmf);
out_stream[1] << cc << std::endl;
```

$P_1$  receives the card  $cc$ , re-masks them, and sends the result  $ccc$  back to the player  $P_0$ . Further he proves that the masking operation was performed correctly.

<sup>3</sup> There is also the possibility to use the simple variant of `SetupGenerators_publiccoin` with the already generated public key  $h$  as a common random value. However, this value should be refreshed periodically.

```

VTFM_Card cc, ccc;
VTFM_CardSecret ccs;
in_stream[0] >> cc;
if (!in_stream[0].good())
    std::cerr << "Read or parse error!" << std::endl;
tmcg->TMCG_CreateCardSecret(ccs, vtmf);
tmcg->TMCG_MaskCard(cc, ccc, ccs, vtmf);
out_stream[0] << ccc << std::endl;
tmcg->TMCG_ProveMaskCard(cc, ccc, ccs, vtmf, in_stream[0], out_stream[0]);

```

$P_0$  receives the card, verifies the proof, and sends the card to all other players.

```

VTFM_Card ccc;
in_stream[1] >> ccc;
if (!tmcg->TMCG_VerifyMaskCard(cc, ccc, vtmf, in_stream[1], out_stream[1]))
    std::cerr << "Verification failed!" << std::endl;
for (size_t i = 1; i < 5; i++)
    out_stream[i] << ccc << std::endl;

```

Finally, all other players receive and store the masked card `ccc`.

### 3.4.3 Opening a Masked Card

Suppose that  $P_1$  would like to know the type of the masked card `ccc`. Of course,  $P_0$  could simply reveal it, but that isn't verifiable. Anyway, if all players cooperate, then  $P_1$  can compute the type in a verifiable way. First, every player (except  $P_1$ ) will execute the following code.

```

tmcg->TMCG_ProveCardSecret(ccc, vtmf, in_stream[1], out_stream[1]);

```

This sends the necessary data to  $P_1$  and proves their correctness. On the other hand,  $P_1$  will execute the following commands exactly in the given order. Finally, he obtain the card type in the variable `type`. Note that the corresponding function `TMCG_VerifyCardSecret` is not called for his own index 1.

```

tmcg->TMCG_SelfCardSecret(ccc, vtmf);
for (size_t i = 0; i < 5; i++)
{
    if (i == 1)
        continue;
    if (!tmcg->TMCG_VerifyCardSecret(ccc, vtmf, in_stream[i], out_stream[i]))
        std::cerr << "Verification failed!" << std::endl;
}
type = tmcg->TMCG_TypeOfCard(ccc, vtmf);

```

Please notice that first `TMCG_SelfCardSecret` is called, then `TMCG_VerifyCardSecret`, and finally `TMCG_TypeOfCard`.

## 3.5 Operations on Stacks

There exist a lot of basic operations on stacks, e.g. pushing a card to a stack or importing a stack. These functions are too simple for explaining them here, but they are used implicitly. However, a short description can be found in the API part of the manual (see Section 2.2.1 [Data Types], page 11).

### 3.5.1 Creating the Deck

A quite common operation is the creation of a card deck. The deck will initially be represented by an open stack (see `TMCG_OpenStack`) called `deck`. Every player creates his own instance of the deck, which consists of 52 open cards of different type in our example.

```
TMCG_OpenStack<VTMF_Card> deck;
for (size_t type = 0; type < 52; type++)
{
    VTMF_Card c;
    tmcg->TMCG_CreateOpenCard(c, vtmf, type);
    deck.push(type, c);
}
```

Note that the instances of the deck must be consistent for all players, that means, the order of the open cards and their types must be exactly the same for all players.

Finally, we copy the deck to a regular stack `s` for further processing:

```
TMCG_Stack<VTMF_Card> s;
s.push(deck);
```

### 3.5.2 Shuffling the Deck

Every player must perform a shuffle of the deck, because only such a procedure guarantees that no coalition has influence on the outcome. Thus we build a shuffle chain (e.g. using the strict total order  $P_i < P_j$ , if and only if  $i < j$ ) such that each player shuffles the deck once.

First the regular stack `s` is initialized with open cards from `deck`. Then each player shuffles the stack (see Section 2.2.3.6 [SchindelhauerTMCG], page 37, i.e. `TMCG_MixStack`) using randomness (see `TMCG_CreateStackSecret`) and proves the correctness of this operation (see `TMCG_ProveStackEquality`). Consequently, every player should verify these proofs (see `TMCG_VerifyStackEquality`) and complain deviations immediately. Finally, the stack `s` contains the shuffled result. Consider the following code fragment for the player  $P_j$ .



```

for (size_t i = 0; i < 5; i++)
{
    TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card> s2;
    if (i == j)
    {
        TMCg_StackSecret<VTMF_CardSecret> ss;
        tmcg->TMCg_CreateStackSecret(ss, false, s.size(), vtmf);
        tmcg->TMCg_MixStack(s, s2, ss, vtmf);
        for (size_t i2 = 0; i2 < 5; i2++)
        {
            if (i2 == j)
                continue;
            out_stream[i2] << s2 << std::endl;
            tmcg->TMCg_ProveStackEquality(s, s2, ss, false, vtmf,
                in_stream[i2], out_stream[i2]);
        }
    }
    else
    {
        in_stream[i] >> s2;
        if (!in_stream[i].good())
            std::cerr << "Read or parse error!" << std::endl;
        if (!tmcg->TMCg_VerifyStackEquality(s, s2, false, vtmf,
            in_stream[i], out_stream[i]))
            std::cerr << "Verification failed!" << std::endl;
    }
    s = s2;
}

```

If you want to use the more efficient shuffle verification protocol of Groth, then you have to replace `TMCg_ProveStackEquality` and `TMCg_VerifyStackEquality` by `TMCg_ProveStackEquality_Groth` and `TMCg_VerifyStackEquality_Groth`, respectively.<sup>4</sup>

### 3.5.3 Drawing a Card from the Deck

Now every player has the same shuffled deck `s` and nobody knows in which order the 52 cards are stacked. Therefore you can simply use any drawing strategy to obtain a players hand. For example, look at the following code that draws two cards from `s` for each player.

```

TMCg_Stack<VTMF_Card> hand[5];
for (size_t i = 0; i < 5; i++)
{
    VTMF_Card c1, c2;
    s.pop(c1), s.pop(c2);
    hand[i].push(c1), hand[i].push(c2);
}

```

<sup>4</sup> The non-interactive version of Groth's protocol (see `TMCg_ProveStackEquality_Groth_noninteractive` and `TMCg_VerifyStackEquality_Groth_noninteractive`) provides an even more efficient implementation, because the prover has to compute the argument of correctness only once. Additionally, it protects against malicious verifiers and reduces the communication complexity, i.e. instead of  $O(n^2)$  the prover must perform only  $O(n)$  steps. Thus this approach is strongly recommended. However, the security then relies on the random oracle assumption. Please have a look at the included source code `tests/t-poker-noninteractive.cc` to get a clue.

Further, probably you want disclose the card types to the corresponding player. Consider the code fragment for the player  $P_j$ : Every player receives the necessary information from the other players and she computes the card types of her hand `hand[j]`. Finally, these types are stored together with the masked cards in the open stack `private_hand`.

```

TMCG_OpenStack<VTMF_Card> private_hand;
for (size_t i = 0; i < 5; i++)
{
    if (i == j)
    {
        for (size_t k = 0; k < hand[j].size(); k++)
        {
            tmcg->TMCG_SelfCardSecret(hand[j][k], vtmf);
            for (size_t i2 = 0; i2 < 5; i2++)
            {
                if (i2 == j)
                    continue;
                if (!tmcg->TMCG_VerifyCardSecret(hand[j][k], vtmf,
                    in_stream[i2], out_stream[i2]))
                    std::cerr << "Verification failed!" << std::endl;
            }
            private_hand.push(tmcg->TMCG_TypeOfCard(hand[j][k], vtmf),
                hand[j][k]);
        }
    }
    else
    {
        for (size_t k = 0; k < hand[i].size(); k++)
        {
            tmcg->TMCG_ProveCardSecret(hand[i][k], vtmf,
                in_stream[i], out_stream[i]);
        }
    }
}

```

The example can be modified in a straightforward way to publicly disclose a card from a player's hand or from the remaining stack `s`, i.e. to lay down the card face-up on the table.

### 3.6 Quit a Session

In the last step you should release all occupied resources.

```

delete vsshe, delete edcf, delete vtmf, delete tmcg;
delete rbc, delete aiou2, delete aiou;

```

## 4 Tools

LibTMCG provides some additional protocols that may be of independent interest.

### 4.1 Distributed Key Generation and Threshold Cryptography

We have implemented a robust and secure protocol for Distributed Key Generation (DKG) of public-key cryptosystems (see Rosario Gennaro, Stanislaw Jarecki, Hugo Krawczyk, and Tal Rabin: *Secure Distributed Key Generation for Discrete-Log Based Cryptosystems*, Journal of Cryptology, Vol. 20 Nr. 1, Springer 2007). Moreover, LibTMCG also provides a robust and secure protocol for threshold DSA/DSS (see Ran Canetti, Rosario Gennaro, Stanislaw Jarecki, Hugo Krawczyk, and Tal Rabin: *Adaptive Security for Threshold Cryptosystems*, Advances in Cryptology – Proceedings of CRYPTO '99, Lecture Notes in Computer Science 1666, Springer 1999). Robustness and security means that up to  $t \leq n/2$  resp.  $t \leq n/3$  parties can act maliciously and the protocols still produce some result (e.g. a valid DSA/DSS signature on a given hash value).

The current implementation is in *experimental state* and should not be used in production environments. Motivation, cryptographical background and some usage scenarios have been presented recently at 26th Krypto-Tag (GI Working Group) and Datengarten/81 (CCCB). Please consult the slides for a first overview. The former DKG tools have been removed from this release. These programs are continued in a separate package called *Distributed Privacy Guard* (DKGPG).

Please report any bugs to the maintainer of LibTMCG. Every help with development or testing of these DKG protocols and programs is very welcome!

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