

Anonymous Tokens with Private Metadata Bit

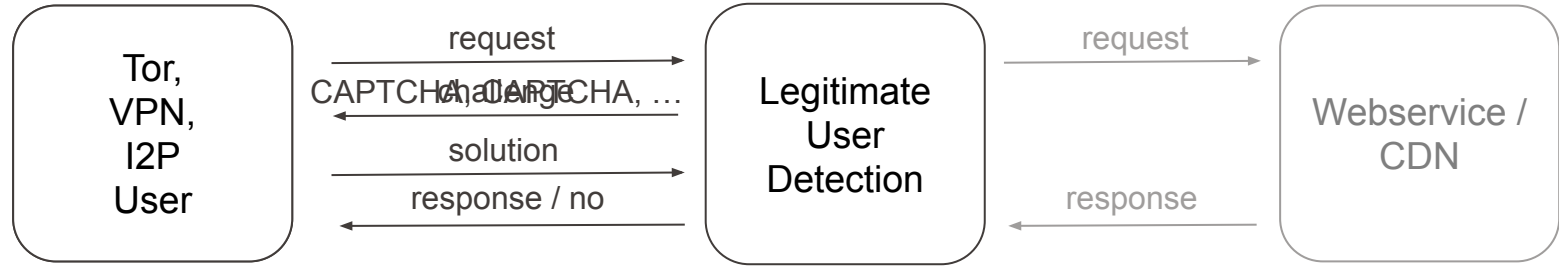
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Motivation

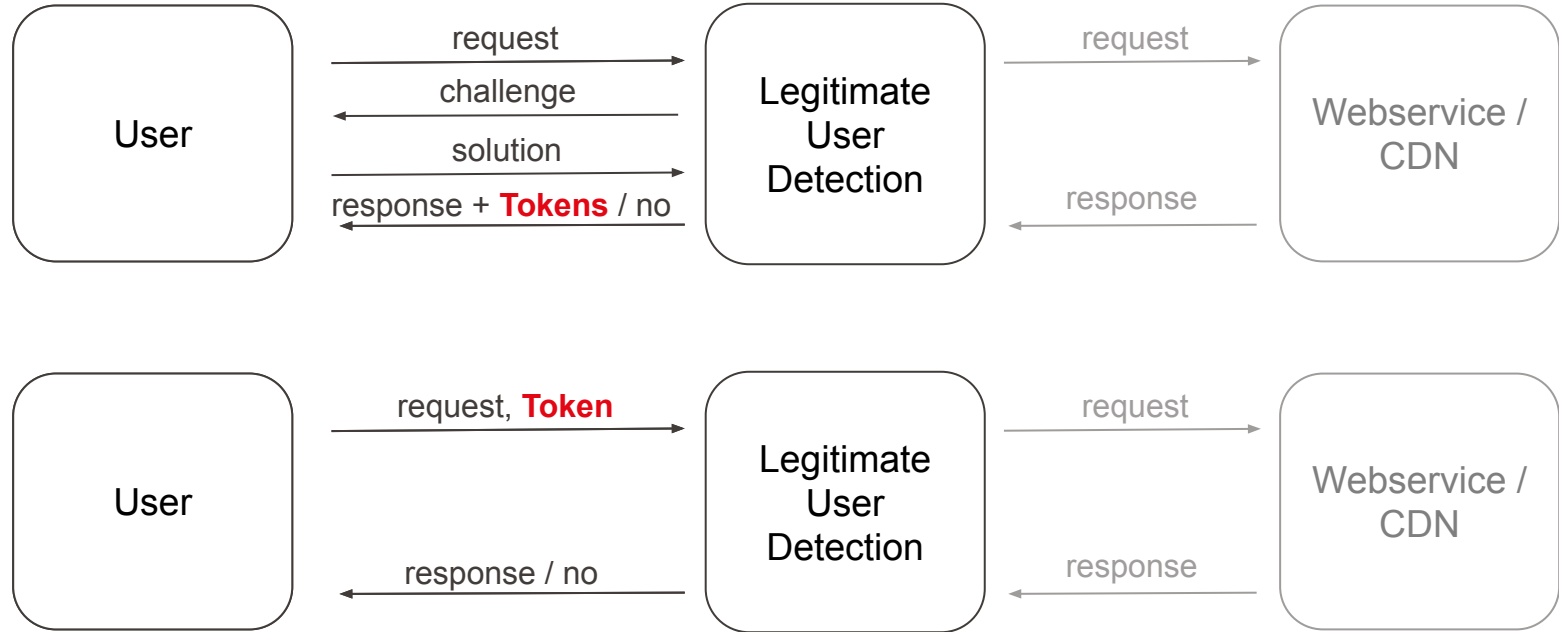
- *“On the Internet, nobody knows you’re a dog.”*

Website protection

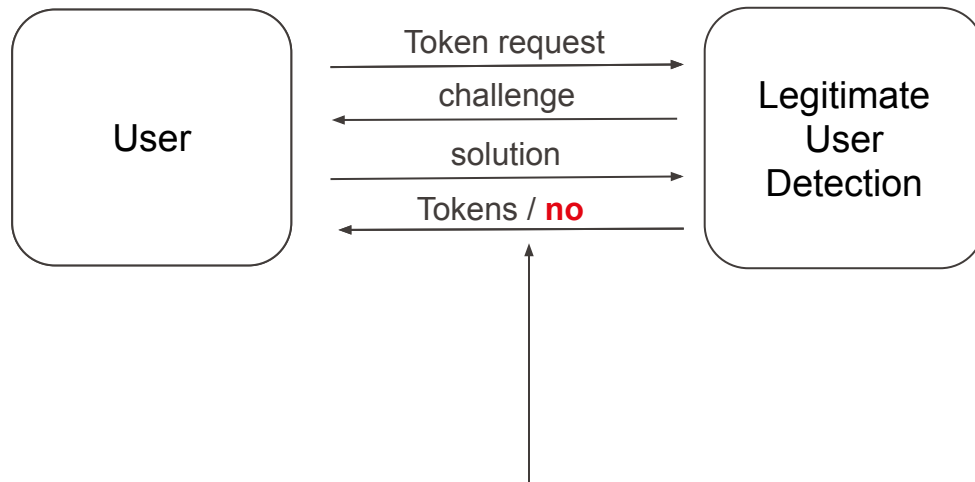


Previous Solutions: IP reputation

Solution: Privacy Pass

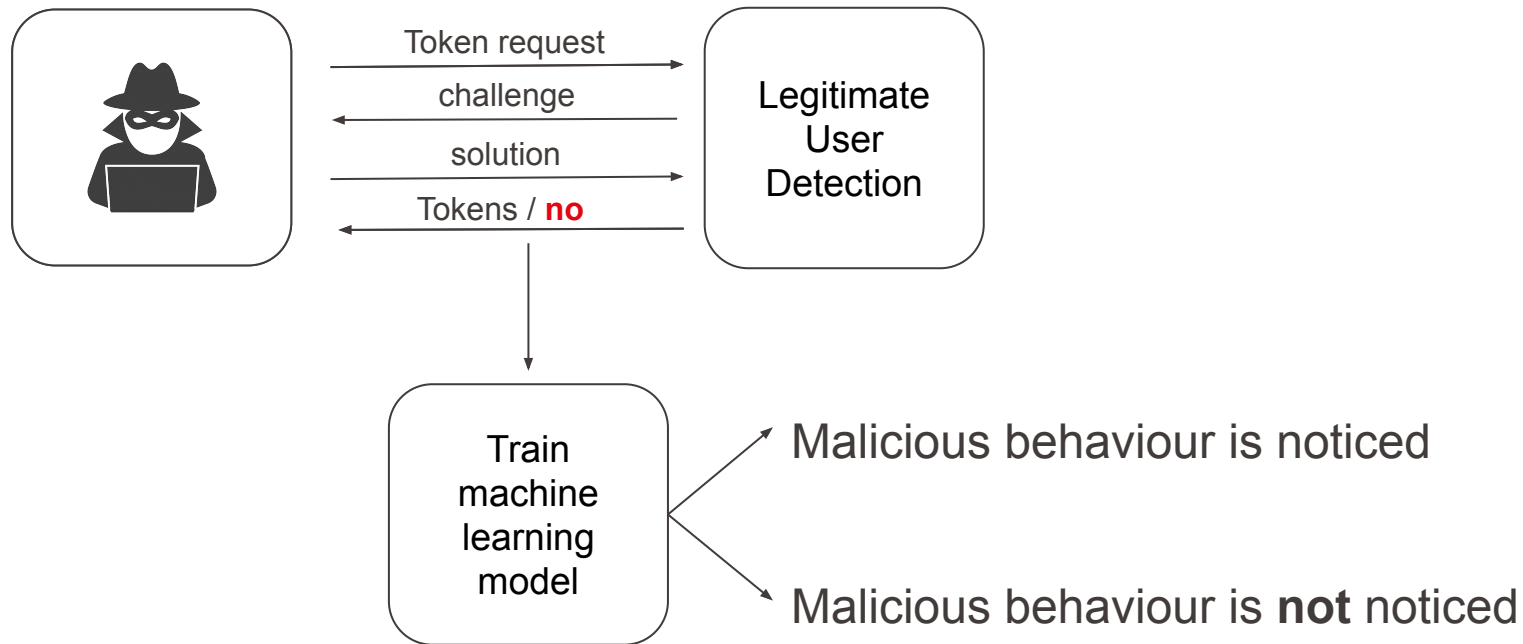


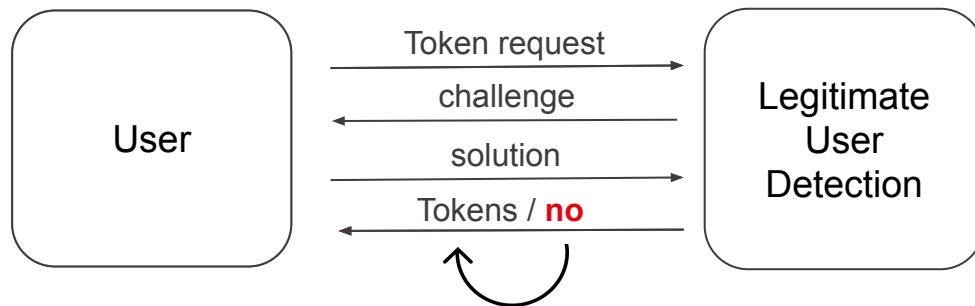
Problem with Privacy Pass



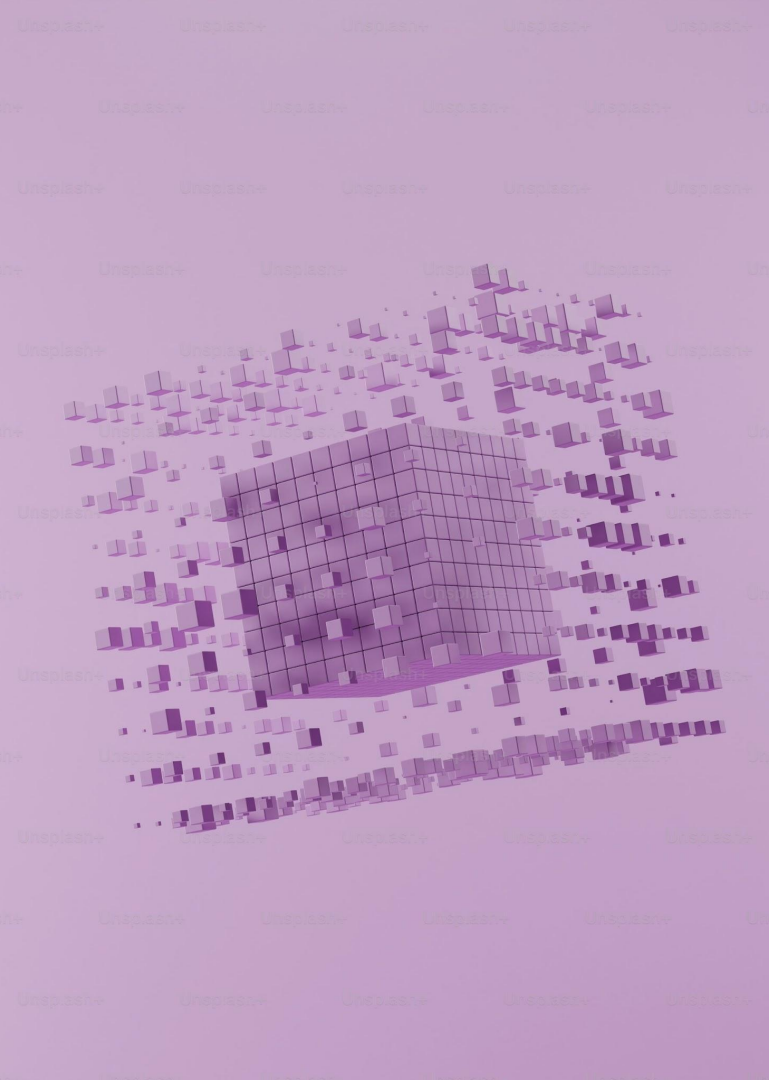
no reveals service denial at request time

Problem with Privacy Pass





Hide denial in private
metadata bit inside token



PMBTokens

Anonymous Token with private metadata bit

- Lightweight, single-use anonymous trust token
- Private metadata bit can only be read by the authority
- Extension of Privacy Pass
- Technique to remove the need for NIZKs

- Unlinkability
- One-more unforgeability
- Privacy of the metadata bit



From Privacy Pass To PMBTokens

Privacy Pass Recap

User

$$\Gamma := (p, \mathbb{G}, G)$$

$$X = xG$$

Issuer

$$r \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*$$

$$T' := r^{-1} H(t)$$

$$T'$$

$$W' := xT'$$

$$W', \pi$$

$$\pi := \text{DLEQ}\left[\begin{bmatrix} X \\ W' \end{bmatrix} = x \begin{bmatrix} G \\ T' \end{bmatrix}\right]$$

check π

$$W := rW'$$

$$t, W$$

1. check $xH(t) = W$
2. add t to spend tokens.

User

$$r \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*$$

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check π

$$W := rW'$$

$$\Gamma := (p, \mathbb{G}, G)$$

$$X_b = x_b G, b \in \{0, 1\}$$

Issuer

$$W' := x_b T'$$

$$\pi := \text{DLEQOR} \left(\begin{bmatrix} X_b \\ W' \end{bmatrix} = x_b \begin{bmatrix} G \\ T' \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$t, W$$

1. check b s.t. $x_b H(t) = W$
2. add t to spend tokens.

User

$$r, s \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*$$

$$T' := r^{-1} H(t)$$

$$S' := s^{-1} H(t)$$

$$rW' \stackrel{?}{=} sV$$

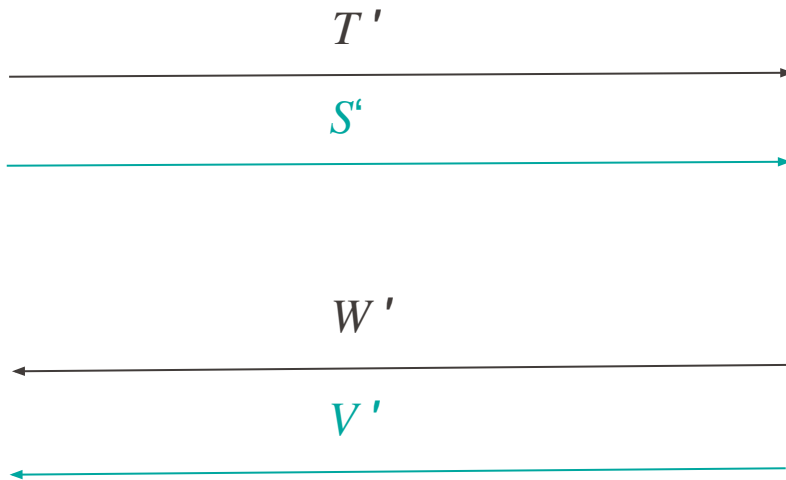
$$\Gamma := (p, \mathbb{G}, G)$$

$$X = x_b G, b \in \{0, 1\}$$

Issuer

$$W' := x_0 T'$$

$$V' := x_1 T'$$



User

$$\Gamma := (p, \mathbb{G}, G, H)$$

$$X = xG + yH$$

Issuer

$$r \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^*$$

$$T' := r^{-1} H(t)$$

 T'

$$s \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^\lambda; S' := H(T', s)$$

$$W' := xT' + yS'$$

 s, W', π check π

$$\pi := \text{DLEQ} \left[\begin{bmatrix} X \\ W' \end{bmatrix} = x \begin{bmatrix} G \\ T' \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} H \\ S' \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

$$W := rW'$$

$$S := rH(T', s)$$

 t, S, W

1. check $xH(t) + yS = W$
2. add t to spend tokens.

User

$$\Gamma := (p, \mathbb{G}, G, H)$$

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Issuer

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 t, S, W

1. check b s.t. $x_b H(t) + y_b S = W$
2. add t to spend tokens.

User

$$\Gamma := (p, \mathbb{G}, G) \\ X = xG$$

Issuer

$$r, \varrho \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^* \\ T' := r^{-1}(\mathcal{H}(t) - \varrho G)$$

 T'

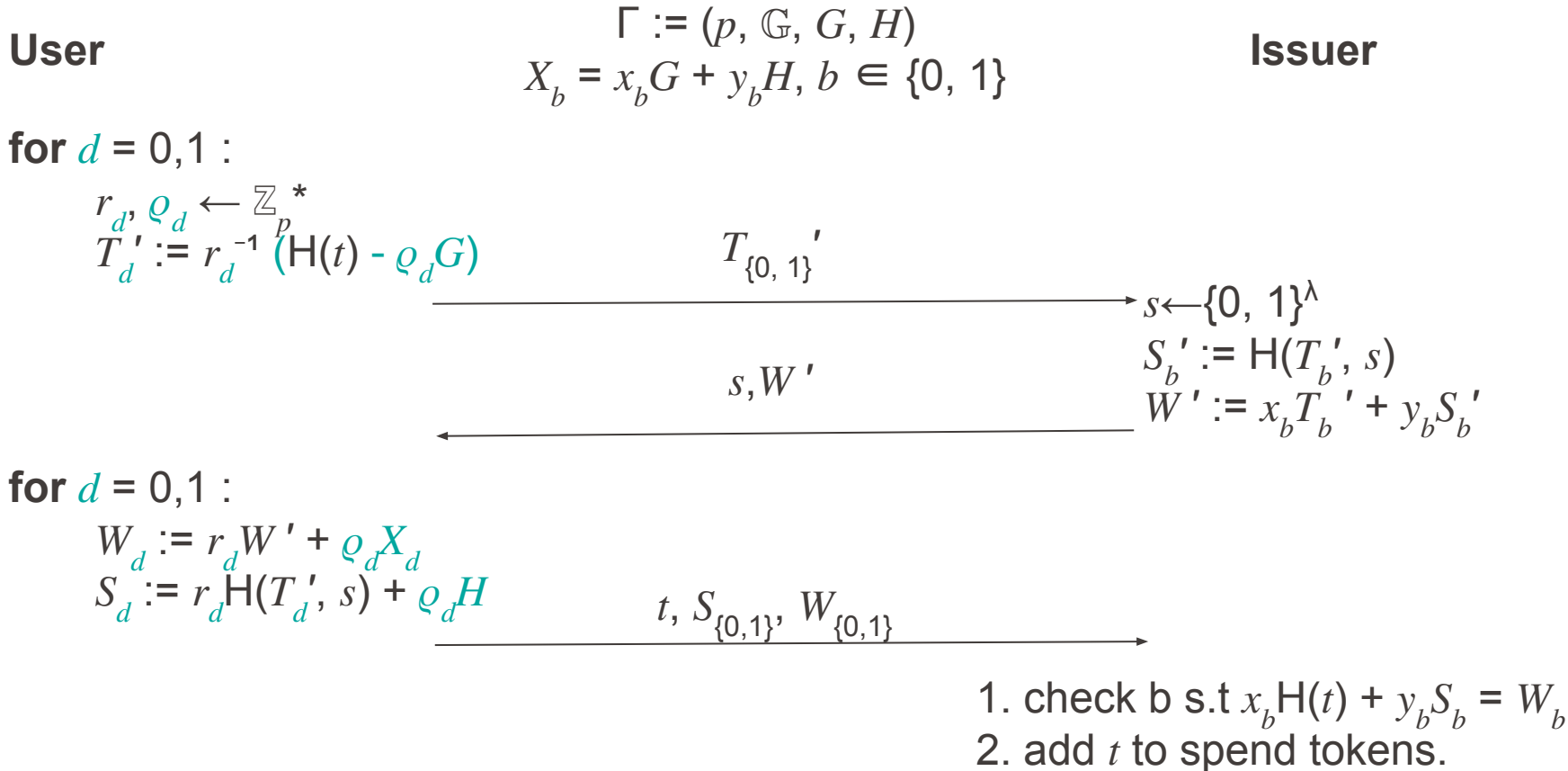
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$$W := rW' + \varrho X$$

 t, W

1. check $x\mathcal{H}(t) = W$
2. add t to spend tokens.



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Implementation & Performance

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- Implemented using Rust
- Using the Ristretto group
- Using EC Curve25519

Constructions	DLEQ/DLEQOR		User		Issuer		
	Prove	Verify	Token Gen.	Unblinding	Key Gen.	Signing	Redemption
PP [DGS ⁺ 18]	212 μ s	181 μ s	111 μ s	286 μ s	84 μ s	303 μ s	95 μ s
PMBT	576 μ s	666 μ s	135 μ s	844 μ s	234 μ s	845 μ s	235 μ s
PPB	—	—	197 μ s	164 μ s	190 μ s	87 μ s	95 μ s
PMBTB	—	—	368 μ s	678 μ s	512 μ s	155 μ s	247 μ s

Summary

- PMBTokens extend Privacy Pass with a private metadata bit
- Technique to remove NIZK for PP and PMBTokens enhancing performance



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