

Non-commutative Algebra and its Applications in NIKE-Zero Knowledge Proofs

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Is there a solution for researchia-dysfunction?

Hallelujah!

Journal of Craptology the Answer*

* — Please consult your physician in case you are reading other journals, or doing real research. Side effects may cause uncontrolled bursts of laughter, giggling and/or spasms. If these happen, please inform your closest colleague.

Journal of Craptology

- ▶ The journal of recreational cryptology.
- ▶ Started in 1998 (by our founding fathers, Lars, Keith, and Vincent).
- ▶ Revived in 2005 (by the current board).
- ▶ Latest volume — March 2009.

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Contributions must adhere to the strict criteria:

- ▶ Craptologic research
- ▶ Funny and amusing
- ▶ Controversial
- ▶ Non-offending (unless. . .)

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Decision Process

We read, we rank one out of four grades:

- ▶ Not funny
- ▶ Moderately funny
- ▶ Funny
- ▶ Hilarious

Acceptance level — funny or more.

Not Funny

- ▶ Real research
- ▶ Unethical submissions

Moderately Funny

- ▶ Using SMP in real life
- ▶ Any four letters (or more) before ZKP (e.g., CRSoL-ZKP)
- ▶ RSA with 128-bit key (or 32-bit entropy)
- ▶ Using single DES for encryption

Funny

- ▶ Trusting the government in privacy issues
- ▶ Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA)
- ▶ WEP for protecting wireless communications
- ▶ Using random oracles in hashing

Hilarious

- ▶ Trusting the government
- ▶ NAC based on MAC address
- ▶ Airport security
- ▶ Claiming your driving ticket is faulty because the speed camera uses MD5

Summary

- ▶ Craptographers of the world — Unite!
- ▶ Short backlog and no page limit!
- ▶ Past issues, more information, and lot's of crap(tology):

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