# Composition of Zero-Knowledge Proofs with Efficient Provers 

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- Composibility is subtle - definitions matter (e.g., Efficient Provers)


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- Parallel Composition:



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- Goldriech-Krawczyk '90: Unbounded-prover auxiliary-input ZK is not 2-composable in parallel.


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| key agreement* $\Rightarrow$ not 2-comp |  |$|$|  | Not 2-comp [GK] |
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| Unbounded Prover | Nom |

## Nonuniform (resp. $P$-Uniform) Sequential Result

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## Questions?

