Ajtai commitment expansion

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What we are trying to do

- We start off with a relation made hard to 'break' based on the MSIS problem
- We will show that this relation is equivalent to two other relations, that can be used for folding
- ▶ We then adapt this equivalence to the Customisable Constraint System (CCS)

Ajtai Commitments

- Ajtai commitments allow us to commit to a vector of polynomials
- We commit to an a vector $\overrightarrow{x} \in \mathcal{R}^m$ by multiplying it with a random matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{R}_a^{\kappa \times \mathbf{m}}$
- $|\overrightarrow{x}||_{\infty} < B$ where B is the norm bound
- lacksquare Output of commitment is $\mathit{cm} := oldsymbol{\mathsf{A}} \cdot \overrightarrow{oldsymbol{ec{\chi}}} oldsymbol{\mathsf{mod}} \, oldsymbol{\mathsf{q}} \in \mathcal{R}^\kappa_{oldsymbol{a}}$
- ▶ This commitment is considered binding because of the assumed hardness of MSIS

Ajtai commitments as a relation

- \blacktriangleright We define relation $\mathcal{R}_{MSIS\infty}^{B}$ between an ajtati commitment and the \overrightarrow{x}
- $\qquad \mathcal{R}^{B}_{MSIS^{\infty}} := (pp, \, cm \in \mathcal{R}^{\kappa}_{a} \, ; \, \overrightarrow{x} \in \mathcal{R}^{m} : (cm = \mathbf{A} \cdot \overrightarrow{x} \, \, \mathsf{mod} \, \, \mathbf{q}) \wedge ||\overrightarrow{x}||_{\infty} < \mathbf{B})$
- $ightharpoonup pp := (\kappa, m, B, \mathbf{A})$ are the public parameters of the relation
- Public parameters define the 'meta' information of the relation:
 - 1. The size of the vectors and matrices
 - 2. The norm limit of \overrightarrow{x}
 - The random matrix A

$$\overrightarrow{x} \in \mathcal{R}_a^m$$

- $||\overrightarrow{x}||_{\infty} < B \text{ and } B < \frac{q}{2}$ $\overrightarrow{x} \in \mathcal{R}^m \text{ can be uniquely represented in } \mathcal{R}_q^m$
 - We define $||\overrightarrow{x}||_{linfty} < B$ as the norm after lifting $\overrightarrow{x} \in \mathcal{R}_a^m to \mathcal{R}$
- We can rewrite our commitment as

$$\mathcal{R}^{B}_{MSIS^{\infty}} := (pp, \, cm \in \mathcal{R}^{\kappa}_{q} \, ; \, \overrightarrow{x} \in \mathcal{R}^{m}_{q} : (cm = \, \mathbf{A} \cdot \overrightarrow{x}) \wedge ||\overrightarrow{x}||_{\infty} < \mathbf{B})$$

Coefficient Embeddings and Rotational Matrices

- ▶ For $a \in \mathcal{R}_q$, vec(a) represents the vectors of coefficients
- ▶ For a vector $\overrightarrow{a} \in \mathcal{R}_a^m$, $vec(\overrightarrow{a}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times d}$ represents the coefficient vectors in \overrightarrow{a}
- $fvec(\overrightarrow{a}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{md}$ is the vector that concatenates the rows of \overrightarrow{a}
- lacksquare $\mathsf{Rot}(\mathsf{a}) := (\mathsf{vec}(\mathsf{a}), \mathsf{vec}(\mathsf{X} \cdot \mathsf{a}), \dots, \mathsf{vec}(\mathsf{X}^{d-1} \cdot \mathsf{a})) \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{d imes d}$
- lacktriangle For a matrix $f A\in \mathbb{R}_a^{\kappa imes m}$, we define the rotation matrix ${\sf Rot}(f A)\in \mathbb{Z}_a^{\kappa d imes md}$ as

$$\mathsf{Rot}(\mathbf{A}) := egin{bmatrix} \mathsf{Rot}(\mathbf{A}_{1,1}) & \cdots & \mathsf{Rot}(\mathbf{A}_{1,m}) \ dots & \ddots & dots \ \mathsf{Rot}(\mathbf{A}_{\kappa,1}) & \cdots & \mathsf{Rot}(\mathbf{A}_{\kappa,m}) \end{bmatrix}$$

• fvec(Af) = Rot(A)fvec(f) for any $\mathsf{A} \in \mathbb{R}_q^{\kappa imes m}$ and $\mathsf{f} \in \mathbb{R}_q^m$.

$$\overrightarrow{X} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\kappa c}$$

- ightharpoonup We can uniquely represent $\overrightarrow{x} \in \mathcal{R}_q^m$ as $\overrightarrow{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\kappa d}$ by taking $\mathit{fvec}(\overrightarrow{x})$
- ightharpoonup $\overline{\mathbf{A}} = rot(\mathbf{A})$
- ightharpoonup is the coefficient embedding of cm
- $ightharpoonup \overline{cm} = \overline{\mathbf{A}} \cdot fvec(\overrightarrow{x})$

$$\mathcal{R}^{B}_{\mathit{MSIS}^{\infty}} := (\mathit{pp},\, \overline{\mathit{cm}} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\mathit{\kappa d}}\,;\, \overrightarrow{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\mathit{md}} : (\overline{\mathit{cm}} = \, \overline{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \overrightarrow{x}) \wedge ||\overrightarrow{x}||_{\infty} < \mathit{B})$$

Representing $||\overrightarrow{x}||_{\infty} < B$ as an hadamard product

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{MSISProd}}^{\mathcal{B}} := \left\{ \left(pp, \, \overline{\mathsf{cm}} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\kappa d} \, ; \, \overrightarrow{\mathsf{x}} \in \mathbb{Z}^{md} \, | \, \begin{array}{c} \overline{\mathsf{cm}} = \overline{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \overrightarrow{\mathsf{x}} \\ \wedge \, \| \overrightarrow{\mathsf{x}} \| \circ \left[\bigcirc_{i=1}^{B-1} (\overrightarrow{\mathsf{x}} - \overrightarrow{\mathsf{i}}) \circ (\overrightarrow{\mathsf{x}} + \overrightarrow{\mathsf{i}}) \right] = \overrightarrow{\mathsf{0}} \end{array} \right\}$$

To see this see that the biggest coefficient in any of the x matrices is less than B

$$\mathcal{R}^{B}_{cm}$$

- ightharpoonup We can look at \overrightarrow{x} in two ways
- igwedge \overrightarrow{x} is a NTT representation of a $\hat{f} \in \mathcal{R}_q^m$
- $lackbox{}\overrightarrow{x}$ is coefficient embedding of a $\overrightarrow{f}\in\mathcal{R}_a^m$
- ► The Hadamard product of two NTT representation is equivalent to the multiplication of the two elements
- $i.e <math>\overrightarrow{x} \circ \overrightarrow{x} \cong \hat{f} \circ \hat{f}$

$$\mathcal{R}^{B}_{\mathsf{cm}} := \left\{ (pp, \, \overline{\mathsf{cm}} \in \mathcal{R}^{\kappa}_{q} \, ; \, \overrightarrow{f} \in \mathcal{R}^{m}_{q} \, | \, \begin{array}{c} \overline{\mathsf{cm}} = \overline{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \overrightarrow{f} \\ \wedge \| \widehat{f} \| \circ \left[\bigcirc_{i=1}^{B-1} (\widehat{f} - \widehat{i}) \circ (\widehat{f} + \widehat{i}) \right] = \widehat{0} \end{array}
ight\}$$

$$\mathcal{R}^{B}_{\mathit{eval}}$$

- Essentially the same as before, with an added evaluation statement
- \triangleright We supply the relation with variables and an evaluation of the \overrightarrow{f} at those variable

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{eval}}^{B} = \left\{ (pp; \ (r, v, cm) \in \mathcal{R}_{q}^{\log m} imes \mathcal{R}_{q} imes \mathcal{R}_{q}^{\kappa}; \ \overrightarrow{f} \in \mathcal{R}_{q}^{m}) \mid egin{array}{c} (pp; \ cm; \ \overrightarrow{f}) \in \mathcal{R}_{cm}^{B} \\ & \land \mathsf{mle} \ [\widehat{f}](\overrightarrow{r'}) = v \end{array}
ight\}$$

Let's take this to CCS

- We introduce an insane amount of notation
- Public Paramers (**pp**) := $(n_r, n_c, t, n_s, \deg, l_{in})$
 - $ightharpoonup \overline{\mathcal{R}}$ is an arbitrary ring
 - i consists of
 - 1. t matrices $M_1..M_t \in \overline{\mathcal{R}}^{n_r \times n_c}$ with $\mathcal{O}(n_r + n_c)$ non-zero entries
 - 2. n_s multisets $S_1...S_{n_s} \subseteq [t]$ with $|S_i| < \deg$ for all $i \in [n_s]$
 - 3. n_s scalars $cn_1, ..., cn_s \in \overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}}$
- \triangleright We then introduce the relation \mathcal{R}_{ccs}
- ightharpoonup 1. $pp_{ccs} := (pp, i)$
 - 2. $(\mathbf{pp}_{\mathsf{ccs}}, \mathbb{X} \in \overline{\mathcal{R}}^{l_{\mathsf{in}}}, \mathbb{W} \in \overline{\mathcal{R}}^{n_{\mathsf{c}} l_{\mathsf{in}} 1})$
 - 3. $\overline{\mathbf{z}} := (\mathbf{x}, 1, \mathbf{w}) \in \mathcal{R}^{n_c}$
 - 4. The condition for the relation is $\sum_{i=1}^{n_s} c_i \cdot \bigcap_{j \in S_i} (M_j \cdot \vec{z}) = 0^{n_r}$

$$\mathcal{R}_\mathsf{ccs} := \left\{ (\mathbf{pp}_\mathsf{ccs}, \mathbf{x} \in \overline{\mathcal{R}}^{l_\mathsf{in}}, \ \mathbf{w} \in \overline{\mathcal{R}}^{n_\mathsf{c} - l_\mathsf{in} - 1}) \ \mathsf{such that} \ \sum_{i=1}^{n_\mathsf{s}} c_i \cdot \bigcirc_{j \in S_i} (M_j \cdot \vec{z}) = 0^{n_r}
ight\}$$

Let's bind \mathcal{R}_{cm} and \mathcal{R}_{ccs} together!

- ▶ We introduce the gadget matrix
- $I := \frac{m}{n_c}$
- $lackbr{\triangleright} \ \mathbf{G} := \mathbf{I}_{n_c} \otimes [1, B, ... B^{l-1}] \in \mathbb{Z}_a^{n_c \times m}$
- ightharpoonup We then define \mathcal{R}^B_{cmcss}

We then define

$$\mathcal{R}^{\mathcal{B}}_{\mathsf{cmcss}} := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\mathsf{pp}, \texttt{x} := (\mathit{cm} \in \mathcal{R}^{\kappa}_q, \texttt{x}_{\mathsf{ccs}} \in \mathcal{R}^{\mathit{l}_{\mathsf{in}}}_q)); \texttt{w} := (\overrightarrow{\mathbf{f}} \in \mathcal{R}^{\mathit{m}}_q, \texttt{w}_{\mathsf{ccs}} \in \mathcal{R}^{\mathit{n}-\mathit{l}_{\mathsf{in}}-1}) \text{ s.t.} \\ (\mathsf{pp}, \mathsf{cm}, \overrightarrow{\mathbf{f}} \in \mathcal{R}^{\mathit{B}}_{\mathsf{cm}}) \land (\mathsf{pp}_{\mathsf{ccs}}, \texttt{x}_{\mathsf{ccs}}; \texttt{w}_{\mathsf{ccs}}) \in \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{ccs}} \land (\mathbf{z}_{\mathsf{ccs}} = \mathbf{G} \overrightarrow{\mathbf{f}}) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{z}}_{\mathsf{ccs}} := (\mathbf{x}_{\mathsf{ccs}}, 1, \mathbf{w}_{\mathsf{ccs}}) \in \mathcal{R}^{n_c}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{lccs}}^{B}$$

$$ightharpoonup \overrightarrow{\mathbf{r}} \in \mathcal{R}_a^{\mathsf{log m}}$$

$$[\mathbf{u}_i]_{i=1}^t$$

$$m{\mathcal{R}}\mathsf{lcss} := (\mathsf{pp}_\mathsf{ccs},\, (\overrightarrow{\mathbf{r}}, [\mathbf{u}_i]_{i=1}^t, \mathbb{x}_\mathsf{ccs}, \mathbf{h}))$$

▶ For all
$$i \in [t]$$
 it holds that $\mathbf{u}_i = \sum_{\overrightarrow{\mathbf{b}} \in \{0,1\}^{log}} \min[M_i](\overrightarrow{\mathbf{r}}, \overrightarrow{\mathbf{b}}) \cdot \text{mle}[\mathbf{z}_{ccs}](\overrightarrow{\mathbf{b}})$