

In Aztec3, private state will be wrapped in a commitment

, which looks something like:

$h(\text{contract_address}, h(\text{storage_slot}, \text{value}, \text{owner}, \text{salt}, \text{nonce}))$

The value

itself might also be a hash of data. For example if it represents a struct, it'll be a hash of the struct's data members.

We need a way of transmitting the preimage of the commitment

, and the preimage of the value

, to the owner

of the private state.

Questions:

- Do we broadcast an encryption of the preimage?
- How would we broadcast the data? L1? Nym? Other DA solution?
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- Encrypted preimages of struct / array data will be variable in length, which will leak information about the function that's been executed. Can we pad that data?
- Do the preimages of commitments always follow the default layout as prescribed by Noir++?
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- Do we emit the encrypted data as public inputs of the circuit?
- Do we add constraints within the circuit to verify correct encryption?
- Perhaps it's actually always in the tx sender's interest to provide the preimage data to the owner?
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