This spec captures the behaviour of commitment transactions on the two sides of a Lightning channel.

We model the various kinds of outputs a commitment transactions will have over its lifetime.

The state of the commitment transaction changes in reponse to the various actions like supersede, publish, etc are taken by parties.

We also do not deal with the communication protocol between nodes for creating and updating commitment transactions. This spec will only focus on the various commitment transaction and their lifecycle in response to interaction between parties and the blockchain.

We ignore the details of how transactions are signed and just mark transactions as signed. This lets us focus on the specifying the behaviour of the commitment transactions without dealing with lower level complexities.

The model defines the intial balance from *alice* to bob. TLA+ will handle situations where channels are balanced and when all the balance is on the other side.

TODO: Add actions for closing channels. Currenly we only have support for breach tx and the corresponding breach remedy txs.

TODO: Add HTLCs.

EXTENDS Integers,

TLC,

Sequences,

FiniteSets

CONSTANTS

CSV,

The csv value to use in contracts

Initial Balance

Initial balances for alice and bob

 $SeqToSet(s) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{s[i] : i \in DOMAIN \ s\}$

Current channel contracts only ever have two parties

 $Party \triangleq \{ \text{"alice"}, \text{"bob"} \}$

For the first revocation we only need two keys per party

 $NumKey \stackrel{\triangle}{=} 2$

Set of all keys

 $Key \triangleq \{\langle p, k \rangle : p \in Party, k \in 0 ... NumKey\}$

Value to capture missing CSV in output

 $\overline{NoCSV} \triangleq \text{Choose } c: c \notin 0 \dots CSV$

Abstract out all outputs as meant to be spent by a party, is it signed by party and other party.

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Output \triangleq [party : Party,
              type: \{ "multisig", "p2wkh"\},
              csv: \{CSV\} \cup \{NoCSV\},
              amount: 0...InitialBalance*2 All the balance can be on one side
Multisig with no csv encumberance
CreateMultisigOutput(party, amount) \triangleq
    [type \mapsto "multisig",
     party \mapsto party,
     csv \mapsto NoCSV,
     amount \mapsto amount
CreateRSMCOutput(party, amount) \stackrel{\Delta}{=}
    [type \mapsto "multisig",
     party \mapsto party,
     csv \mapsto CSV,
     amount \mapsto amount
CreatePKOutput(party, amount) \triangleq
    [type \mapsto \text{"p2wkh"},
     party \mapsto party,
     csv \mapsto NoCSV,
     amount \mapsto amount
NoSpendHeight \triangleq -1
In contrast to txids, we simlpy use the party, index tuple to find the tx and the vout to get the
output pointed to by the input
Input \stackrel{\Delta}{=} [party : Party, index : Int, vout : Int]
Transaction record.
Tx \triangleq [party : Party,
        index: Int,
        height: Int,
        inputs: Seq(Input),
        outputs : Seq(Output),
        party_signed: BOOLEAN,
        other_party_signed : BOOLEAN ]
VARIABLES
    alice\_cts,
                       Commitment tx for alice
    bob\_cts,
                       Commitment tx for bob
    alice\_brs,
                       Breach remedy transactions for alice
    bob\_brs,
                       Breach remedy transactions for bob
    mempool,
                       The CT txs that have been broadcasted.
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published,
                         The CT that has been included in a block and confirmed.
    index,
    chain_height
vars \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \langle alice\_cts, bob\_cts, alice\_brs, bob\_brs, mempool, published,
            chain\_height, index \rangle
Helper function to get other party
OtherParty(party) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} CHOOSE \ p \in Party : p \neq party
The channel funding transaction. All commitment txs spend from the output of this tx.
Funding Tx \triangleq
    [party \mapsto "alice",
                                                   Only alice is funding
     index \mapsto 1.
     height \mapsto 1,
     inputs \mapsto \langle \rangle,
                                                   FT inputs do not matter
     outputs \mapsto \langle CreateMultisigOutput("alice", InitialBalance) \rangle,
     party\_signed \mapsto TRUE,
     other\_party\_signed \mapsto \texttt{TRUE}
Create a commitment transaction given the party, index and key to use.
Other party hands this CT to this party, therefore it is signed by other party.
CreateCT(party, i, key\_num, amount, other\_amount) \triangleq
            [party \mapsto party,
             index \mapsto i,
             height \mapsto NoSpendHeight,
              Input for CT is the FT multisig output (1, 1)
             inputs \mapsto \langle [party \mapsto "alice", index \mapsto 1, vout \mapsto 1] \rangle,
             outputs \mapsto \langle CreateRSMCOutput(party, amount),
                            CreatePKOutput(OtherParty(party), other\_amount),
            party\_signed \mapsto FALSE,
            other\_party\_signed \mapsto TRUE
Breach remedy transactions are handled as presigned transactions instead of by passing private
keys around. This is different from the Poon-Dryja LN paper.
The party creates this tx, signs it and sends it to the other party.
CreateBR(party, i, amount) \triangleq
            [party \mapsto party,
             index \mapsto i,
             height \mapsto NoSpendHeight,
              BR spend the RSMC output from the corresponding index CT.
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 $inputs \mapsto \langle [party \mapsto OtherParty(party), index \mapsto i, vout \mapsto 1] \rangle$

Spending BR output will give the balance to party

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outputs \mapsto \langle CreatePKOutput(party, amount) \rangle,
             party\_signed \mapsto \text{TRUE},
              The other party presigns the BR so that this party can spend it
              TODO: switch to exchanging private keys for the BR instead
             other\_party\_signed \mapsto TRUE
Init \triangleq
      Balanced channel to start with
     \land alice\_cts = \{CreateCT("alice", 2, 0, InitialBalance, 0)\}
     \land bob\_cts = \{CreateCT("bob", 2, 0, 0, InitialBalance)\}
     \land alice\_brs = \{CreateBR("bob", 2, InitialBalance)\}
     \land bob\_brs = \{CreateBR("alice", 2, 0)\}
                                                             Bob did not add funds
     \land mempool = \{\}
     \land published = \{FundingTx\}
     \wedge index = 3
     \land chain\_height = 1 The genesis block is the FT
TypeInvariant \triangleq
     \land index \in Int
     \land alice\_cts \in \text{SUBSET } Tx
     \land bob\_cts \in \text{SUBSET } Tx
     \land alice\_brs \in \text{SUBSET } Tx
     \land bob\_brs \in \text{SUBSET } Tx
     \land mempool \in SUBSET Tx
     \land published \in \text{SUBSET } Tx
LastCT(party\_cts) \stackrel{\triangle}{=}
    CHOOSE ct \in party\_cts : \forall y \in party\_cts : ct.index \ge y.index
MaxIndex(party\_cts) \stackrel{\Delta}{=}
    (LastCT(party\_cts)).index
AnyCT \triangleq (CHOOSE \ ct \in alice\_cts \cup bob\_cts : TRUE)
Create commitment transaction as well as the corresponding beach remedy txs.
Breach remedy transactions are pre-signed transactions instead of they private key being sent over
to the other party.
delta is the balance going from alice to bob. We allow negative balances to enable payments in
other other direction.
Parties are free to keep creating CT even if FT is spent. They will not be usable, but the protocol
does not disallow this.
SupersedeCommitmentTx(delta) \triangleq
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 $key_index \stackrel{\Delta}{=} 1$ TODO: manage key numbers

LET

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last\_alice\_ct \stackrel{\triangle}{=} LastCT(alice\_cts)
        last\_bob\_ct \triangleq LastCT(bob\_cts)
   IN
         Create CTs till channel is not closed
        \land published = \{FundingTx\}
        \land last\_alice\_ct.outputs[1].amount - delta > 0
        \land last\_alice\_ct.outputs[2].amount + delta \leq InitialBalance
        \land alice\_cts' = alice\_cts \cup
                { CreateCT("alice", index, key_index,
                    last\_alice\_ct.outputs[1].amount - delta,
                    last\_alice\_ct.outputs[2].amount + delta)
        \land bob\_cts' = bob\_cts \cup
                \{CreateCT("bob", index, key\_index,
                    last\_bob\_ct.outputs[1].amount + delta,
                    last\_bob\_ct.outputs [2].amount-delta)\}
         Alice's gets a BR it can immediately spend when corresponding
         CT is spen, and vice versa
        \land alice\_brs' = alice\_brs \cup
                     { CreateBR("bob", index, last_alice_ct.outputs[1].amount)}
        \land bob\_brs' = bob\_brs \cup
                    { CreateBR("alice", index, last_bob_ct.outputs[1].amount)}
        \wedge index' = index + 1
∧ UNCHANGED ⟨mempool, published, chain_height⟩
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Broadcast a commitment transaction to the blockchain. The commitment is first signed. The protocol allows all commitments to be broadcast, what happens next depends on the status of the commitment transaction.

If the tx is the latest commitment transaction it can be spent later.

If not, it gives the other party a chance to spend the breach remedy tx.

TODO: We only spec CSV (self) commitment transaction. We need to handle the non-CSV output being published and co-op closes.

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BroadcastCommitment(party) \triangleq \\ \land alice\_cts \neq \{\} \\ \land bob\_cts \neq \{\} \\ \land \\ LET \\ key\_index \triangleq 1 \\ TODO, manage key numbers \\ cts \triangleq IF party = "alice" THEN alice\_cts ELSE bob\_cts \\ ct \triangleq CHOOSE \ ct \in cts : TRUE \\ IN \\ The commitment is not already in mempool \\ \land \ ct \notin mempool \\ \land \ ct \notin mempool \\ \land \ commitment \ has already been confirmed \\ \land \ published = \{FundingTx\}
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\land mempool' = mempool \cup \{[ct \ EXCEPT \ !.party\_signed = TRUE]\}
 \land UNCHANGED \ \langle alice\_cts, \ bob\_cts, \ alice\_brs, \ bob\_brs,
 published, \ index, \ chain\_height \rangle
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Confirm any transaction from mempool- this indeed is sparta. Any $mempool\ tx$ can be confirmed. So we model just that.

The only requirement is to make sure the CSV has expired.

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ConfirmMempoolTx \triangleq \\ \exists tx \in mempool: \\ \land \exists o \in SeqToSet(tx.outputs): \\ \lor o.type = \text{``multisig''} \land o.csv < chain\_height CSV \text{ expired} \\ \lor o.type = \text{``p2wkh''} \land o.csv = NoCSV & \text{Without a }CSV \\ \land tx \notin published & Tx \text{ is not already confirmed} \\ \land mempool' = mempool \setminus \{tx\} \\ \land chain\_height' = chain\_height + 1 \\ \land published' = published \cup \{[tx \text{ EXCEPT } !.height = chain\_height']\} \\ \land \text{UNCHANGED } \langle alice\_cts, \ bob\_cts, \ alice\_brs, \ bob\_brs, \\ index \rangle
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Broadcast a breach remedy transaction in response to a commitment transaction.

party is broadcasting the tx

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BroadcastBR \triangleq
     \land \exists \langle m, b \rangle \in mempool \times (alice\_brs \cup bob\_brs) :
          \land published = \{FundingTx\} Channel is not closed yet
          \land m.outputs[1].type = "multisig"
           Offending tx in mempool
          \land chain\_height - 1 < m.outputs[1].csv
          \land m.party = b.party
          \land mempool' = mempool \cup \{m\}
     \land UNCHANGED \langle alice\_cts, bob\_cts, alice\_brs, bob\_brs,
                            index, published, chain_height
Next \triangleq
     \vee \exists d \in 1 ... 2 : SupersedeCommitmentTx(d)
     \vee \exists p \in Party : BroadcastCommitment(p)
     \lor BroadcastBR
     \vee ConfirmMempoolTx
Spec \stackrel{\triangle}{=} Init \wedge \Box [Next]_{\langle vars \rangle}
Liveness \stackrel{\triangle}{=} WF_{vars}(BroadcastBR)
FairSpec \stackrel{\Delta}{=} Spec \wedge Liveness
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TODO - Add BalanceInvariant: Sum of all amounts on all txs = InitialBalance