

Lookup Arguments: Improvements, Extensions and Applications to Zero-Knowledge Decision Trees

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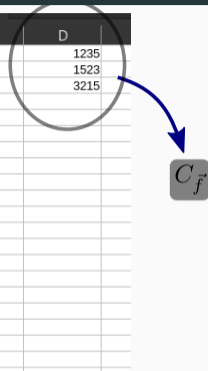
Vector Commitment and Lookup Argument

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Some Facts:

- Prove \vec{f} commit'd as C_f is sub-vector of \vec{t} commit'd as C_t .
- Proving Time **independent of $|\vec{t}| = N$** after pre-computation
(we assume $|\vec{t}| \gg |\vec{f}|$)
- Since we need pre-computation, we assume \vec{t} is fixed.
- Based on KZG where $com_{\vec{t}} = g^{T(s)}$ and T poly interpolating values.

Our Contributions

- **Improve over CQ** along three directions:
 - Efficiency
 - Zero-Knowledge and *Fully* Zero-Knowledge.
 - Flexibility
- **Extend the notion** of Lookup Argument from vectors to matrices.
- **Application to Privacy-Preserving Machine Learning:** Zero-Knowledge Decision-Tree Statistics

Improve over CQ

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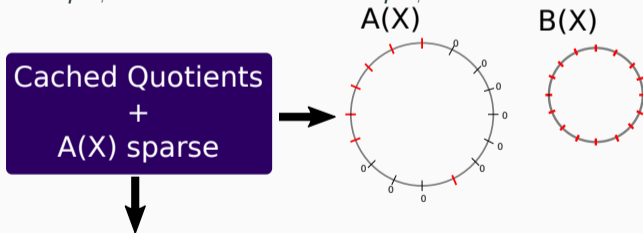
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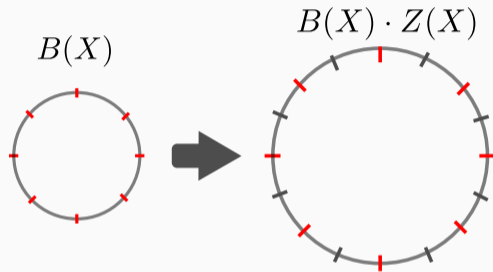
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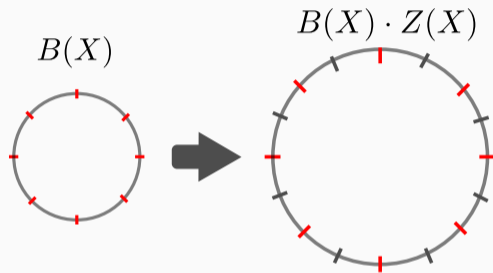
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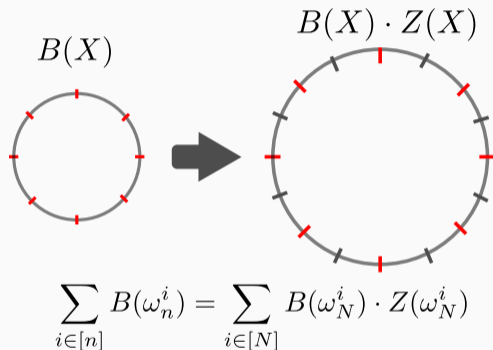


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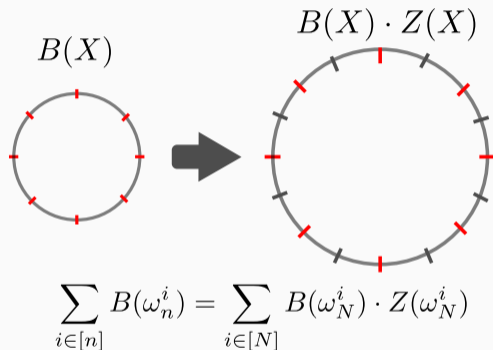
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Matrix Lookup Arguments

Matrix Commitment and Matrix Lookup

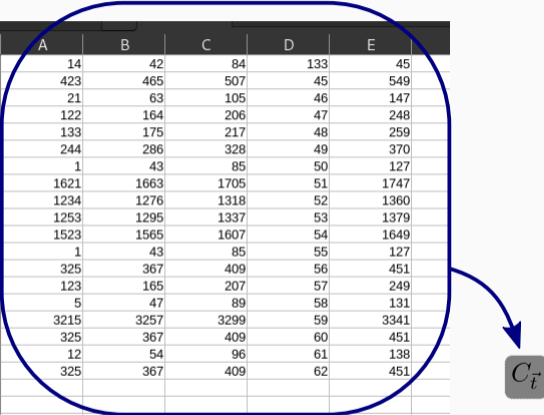
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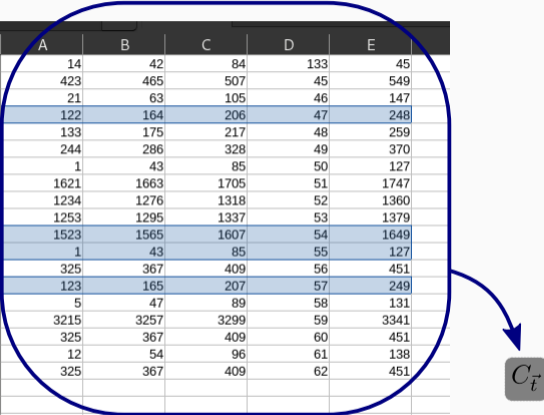
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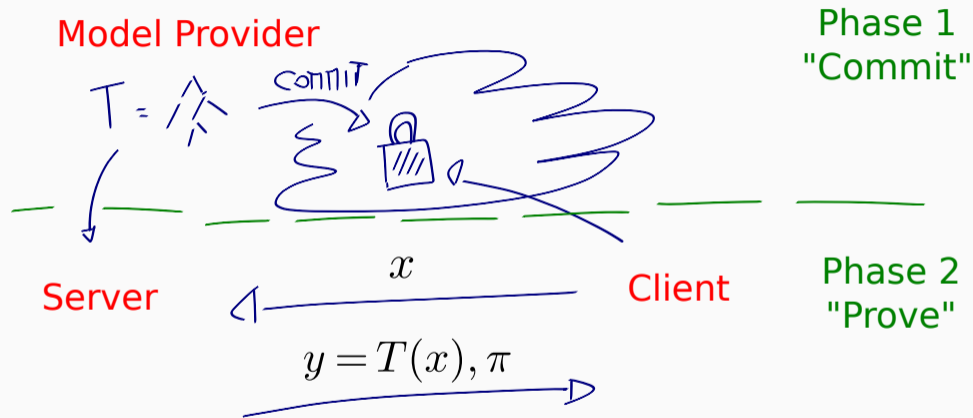
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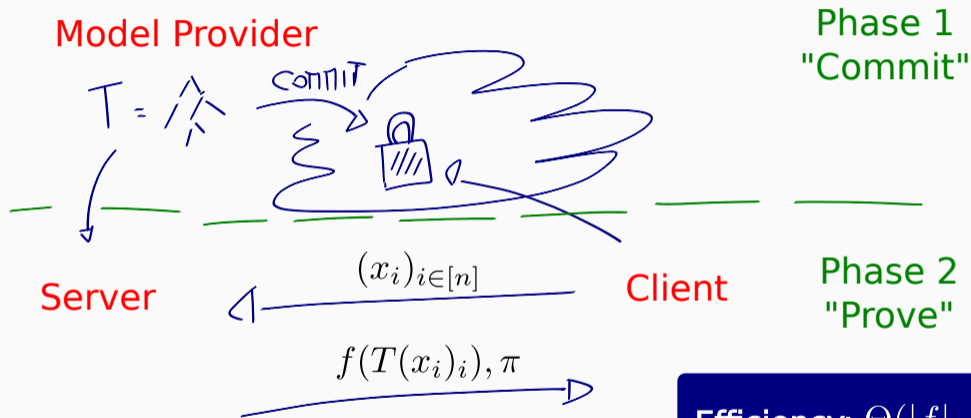
- Matrix Commit $\vec{F} = \text{Vectorize } \vec{F} \rightarrow \vec{f} + \text{Vector commit}$.
- Generic compiler from any homomorphic Vector Commitment (read it as KZG)
- Matrix Lookup for table with few columns is easy.
- Prove that $\exists \vec{r}, \vec{c}$: such that: (1) $(\vec{r}, \vec{c}, \vec{f})$ sub-vector of $(i, j, t_{i,j})_{i,j}$ and (2) tensor structures, $\vec{r} = \vec{r}' \otimes \vec{1}$, $\vec{c} = \vec{1} \otimes (A, B, \dots, E)$.

Zero-Knowledge Decision Tree

The Model (Simplified)



The Model: ZK Decision Tree "Statistics"

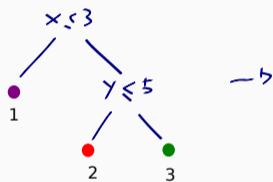


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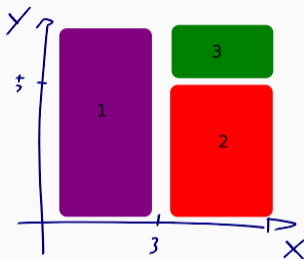
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Our Technique: Box Encoding

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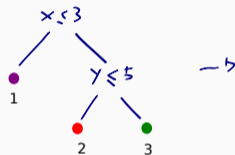
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$\Rightarrow C_M$

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 C_M commits to M
 and M submatrix of T

$\Pi =$ (4,2) lies inside the box defined by M
 and the last column of M is ●

A Simple Attack and Our Fix



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- Using technique from **[ZGKMR22]** we get $\Theta(N)$ proving time.
(Zapico et al)

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- A large, ornate, red and gold patterned rug is laid out on a light-colored tiled floor. The rug features intricate geometric and floral designs. Various items are scattered on the rug, including a small red and white striped object, a blue bag, and some papers. The scene is lit from above, creating soft shadows.
- New Lookup Argument with Fully ZK
 - Generic compiler to Matrix Lookup
 - zkSNARKs for decision tree inference and statistics

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