

The closest vector problem in some lattices of type A

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Abstract: Lattice-based cryptographic constructions hold a great promise for postquantum cryptography, as they enjoy very strong security proofs based on worst-case hardness relatively efficient implementations, as well as great simplicity. LéoDucas and Wessel van Woerden in [5] proposed a polynomial algorithm allowing solving the Closest Vector Problem (CVP) in the tensor product of two lattices of type A. And as an open problem, these authors asked to extend this resolution in the case of three lattices and in the general case of k lattices of type A. Our goal is therefore to propose a solution of this problem. We use the associativity of the lattice of type A and the same techniques to solve this problem in the tensor product of three lattices of type A and even in the tensor product of a finite number of lattices of type A. So we will determine a polynomial algorithm to solve CVP in $A_{n+1} \otimes A_{m+1} \otimes A_{p+1}$.

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I. Introduction

Searching for the nearest vector in a lattice is a difficult mathematical problem [6], used in cryptography to build robust and secure cryptosystems [9] resistant to quantum computers [12]. The fact of determining a basis whose vectors are relatively closed and almost orthogonal makes it possible to easily find the nearest vector in a lattice of integers [13]. The polynomial LLL reduction algorithm has been generalized by Napias on the Euclidean rings of integers [11]. As a result, Conway and Sloane [3] set up polynomial algorithms to solve the problem of the nearest vector in root lattices of type A. In order to improve the tolerance of the error of the cryptosystem, LéoDucas and Wessel van Woerden used the isomorphisms of root lattice defined in [5] to build a polynomial algorithm to solve the problem of the nearest vector in the tensor product of two root lattices and in the direct sum of a finite number of root lattices of type A [14].

In this work, we propose a polynomial algorithm to solve the problem of the nearest vector in the tensor product $A_{n+1} \otimes A_{m+1} \otimes A_{p+1}$. Indeed, there is already an algorithm to solve this problem in A_n [5]. A motivation could be to use the full characterization of the Voronoi relevant vector in this case in term of simple cycle in the complete directed tripartite graph $K_{n+1, m+1, p+1}$. So we need to establish the relationship between the Voronoi relevant vectors in the tensor product $A_{n+1} \otimes A_{m+1} \otimes A_{p+1}$ and the complete directed tripartite graphs $K_{n+1, m+1, p+1}$. Subsequently, we will modify some parameters of the polynomial algorithm in [3] to solve this problem in $A_{n+1} \otimes A_{m+1} \otimes A_{p+1}$.

This work is organized as follows: In Section II, we review the definitions of lattices, graphs, tensor product and basic properties of the root lattices of type A and simple graph to understand the results of further sections. In Section III, we present the characterization of the Voronoi relevant vector in the tensor product of three root lattices of type A and give the polynomial algorithm to solve the problem of the nearest vector in $A_{n+1} \otimes A_{m+1} \otimes A_{p+1}$. In Section IV, we will generalize this result in the case of the tensor product of k root lattices of type A.

II. Lattice and graph Background

Throughout this paper, for some positive integer d , we use the Euclidean product on \mathbb{R}^d that is defined by:

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_d y_d$$

for $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)$ and $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_d)$ in \mathbb{R}^d . The Euclidean norm on \mathbb{R}^d is defined as follows: $\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$.

All definitions in this section are taken from [5, 13].

Definition 1. A lattice is a discrete additive subgroup of \mathbb{R}^d , for some positive integer d . We deal exclusively with any lattice Λ of rank r , which is generated as the set of all integer linear combinations of r linearly

independent vectors b_1, b_2, \dots, b_r in \mathbb{R}^d as follows:

$$\Lambda = \{ \sum_{i=1}^r z_i \cdot b_i : (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r) \in \mathbb{Z}^r \} \quad (1)$$

Obviously, $r \leq n$. Another lattice Λ' in \mathbb{R}^d of the same rank r such that $\Lambda' \subset \Lambda$ is called a full rank sublattice of Λ . A generator matrix of Λ is a matrix whose rows form a base of Λ . The linear subspace of \mathbb{R}^d spanned by the elements of Λ is denoted $\text{span}(\Lambda)$. The dual lattice of Λ is defined as $\Lambda^* = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \langle \Lambda, x \rangle \subset \mathbb{Z}\}$, where $\langle \Lambda, x \rangle = \{ \langle y, x \rangle : y \in \Lambda \}$. It is easy to see that $(\Lambda^*)^* = \Lambda$. The minimum distance of a lattice Λ w.r.t Euclidian norm, denoted $\|\Lambda\|$, is the length of a shortest lattice nonzero vector, i.e., $\|\Lambda\| = \min_{0 \neq x \in \Lambda} \|x\|$. Given that we are going to associate the oriented graphs in our work, the definitions below will allow a better understanding for the rest of the work.

Definition 2.

1. A graph G is a ordered pair (V, E) where :
 - V is a finite set of vertices (also called nodes or points);
 - $E \subset \{ (x, y) / (x, y) \in V^2 \text{ and } x \neq y \}$ is a subset of $V \times V$. The elements of E are called the edges of the graph.
 2. A graph G is connected if it is possible from any vertex, to join all the others vertices following the edges.
 3. A complete graph is a graph that has an edge between every simple vertex in the graph. We label K_n the complete graph with n vertices.
 4. A graph G is said to be tripartite if there exists a partition $\{V_1, V_2, V_3\}$ of V such that each edge of G connects a vertex of V_1 to a vertex of V_2 and to a vertex of V_3 .
 5. A cycle of a graph, also called a circuit is a non-empty trail in which the only repeated are the first and the ending vertices.
 6. A simple cycle is a cycle with no repeated vertices (except for the beginning and the ending vertex).
- Inspired by the characterization of the tensor product of two and three root lattices of type A, we will generalize the characterization of the tensor product of a finite number of root lattices of type A as below.

Definition 3. Let $\Lambda_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ and $\Lambda_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_2}$ be lattices of respectively ranks n_1 and n_2 , let $a_1, \dots, a_{n_1} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ and $b_1, \dots, b_{n_2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2}$ be respective bases. The tensor product $\Lambda_1 \otimes \Lambda_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2}$ is defined as the lattice with basis $\{a_i \otimes b_j : i \in 1, \dots, n_1; j \in 1, \dots, n_2\}$.

Here $x \otimes y = (x_1, \dots, x_{n_1}) \otimes (y_1, \dots, y_{n_2})$ with $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2}$ is defined as the natural embedding in $\mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2}$ as follows:

$$(x_1 y_1, x_1 y_2, \dots, x_1 y_{n_2}, x_2 y_1, \dots, x_{n_1} y_{n_2}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2}.$$

For three lattices, the tensor product $\Lambda_1 \otimes \Lambda_2 \otimes \Lambda_3 \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2 n_3}$ (with $\Lambda_3 \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_3}$ and its basis $c_1, \dots, c_{n_3} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_3}$) is defined as the lattice with basis $\{a_i \otimes b_j \otimes c_k : i = 1, \dots, n_1; j = 1, \dots, n_2; k = 1, \dots, n_3\}$.

Here $x \otimes y \otimes z = (x \otimes y) \otimes z = (x_1 y_1, x_1 y_2, \dots, x_1 y_{n_2}, x_2 y_1, \dots, x_{n_1} y_{n_2}) \otimes (z_1, \dots, z_{n_3})$;

Thus, $x \otimes y \otimes z = (x_1 y_1 z_1, x_1 y_1 z_2, \dots, x_1 y_1 z_{n_3}, x_1 y_2 z_1, \dots, x_{n_1} y_{n_2} z_{n_3}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2 n_3}$.

Definition 4. Let $\Lambda_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1}, \Lambda_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_2}, \dots, \Lambda_k \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_k}$ be lattices of respectively ranks n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k ; let $a_1^{(1)}, \dots, a_{n_1}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}; a_1^{(2)}, \dots, a_{n_2}^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2}, \dots; a_1^{(k)}, \dots, a_{n_k}^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k}$ be respective bases. The tensor product $\Lambda_1 \otimes \Lambda_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \Lambda_k \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2 \dots n_k}$ is defined as the lattice with basis $\{a_{i(1)}^{(1)} \otimes a_{i(2)}^{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes a_{i(k)}^{(k)} : i(1) = 1, \dots, n_1; \dots; i(k) = 1, \dots, n_k\}$.

Here, we use the associativity to compute $x^{(1)} \otimes x^{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes x^{(k)}$ as below :

$$x^{(1)} \otimes x^{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes x^{(k)} = (x_1^{(1)} x_1^{(2)} \dots x_1^{(k)}, x_1^{(1)} x_1^{(2)} \dots x_2^{(k)}, \dots, x_{n_1}^{(1)} x_{n_2}^{(2)} \dots x_{n_3}^{(k)}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2 \dots n_k}.$$

Closest Vector Problem 1. Let $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a lattice and $t \in \text{span}(\Lambda)$. The aim is to construct a vector x in Λ that minimizes the distance $\|t - x\|$. Such an x is also called a closest vector to t .

The following example recalls the definition of the root lattice of type A below, gives its dual lattice, and provides a generator matrix for both.

Example 2.1.[5, Lemmas 2. and 3.] Let n be a positive integer. The subset A_n of \mathbb{R}^{n+1} defined by:

$$A_n = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^{n+1} : \langle x, [1] \rangle = 0\};$$

where $[1] = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$ is a lattice of rank n in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} with a generator matrix

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

A generator matrix of its dual $(A_n)^*$ is the $n \times (n+1)$ – matrix B^* given by

$$B^* = \frac{1}{n+1} \begin{pmatrix} n & -1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\ -1 & n & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -1 & \cdots & n & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & \cdots & -1 & n & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Definition 5. (Voronoi region)[5] The Voronoi region of a lattice Λ is defined by:

$$V(\Lambda) := \{x \in \text{span}(\Lambda) : \|x\| \leq \|x-v\| \forall v \in \Lambda\}$$

$$= \{x \in \text{span}(\Lambda) : 2\langle x, v \rangle \leq \langle v, v \rangle \forall v \in \Lambda\}$$

Consisting of all points in $\text{span}(\Lambda)$ that have 0 as a closest vector. It means that it is the set of points of $\text{span}(\Lambda)$ having the nearest vector 0 in the lattice Λ .

The Voronoi region is just the intersection of halfspaces $H_v := \{x \in \text{span}(\Lambda) : 2\langle x, v \rangle \leq \langle v, v \rangle\}$

for all $v \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}$. Note that the only halfspaces H_v in this intersection that matter are those corresponding to a facet (rank(Λ)-1 dimensional face of $V(\Lambda)$), $\{x \in \text{span}(\Lambda) : \|x\| \leq \|x-v\|\} \cap V(\Lambda)$ of the Voronoi region. Such $v \in \Lambda$ are called Voronoi relevant vectors.

Definition 6. (Voronoi relevant vectors)[5]: Let Λ be a lattice. Let $v \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}$; v is an Voronoi relevant vectors if there exist $x \in \text{span}(\Lambda)$ such that: $\|x\| = \|x-v\|$ and $\forall w \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\} \|x\| < \|x-w\|$.

These are also the minimal set $RV(\Lambda) \subset \Lambda$ of the vectors such that

$$V(\Lambda) = \bigcap H_v, \text{ with } v \in RV(\Lambda)$$

Voronoi showed that for $v \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}$ we have that v is a Voronoi relevant vector if and only if 0 and v are the only closest vectors to $\frac{v}{2}$ in Λ .

Lemma 1. [5] Let $t \in \text{span}(\Lambda)$ and $x \in \Lambda$. There exists a vector $y \in \Lambda$ such that $\|(x+y)-t\| < \|x-t\|$ if and only if there exists a Voronoi relevant vector $v \in RV(\Lambda)$ such that $\|(x+v)-t\| < \|x-t\|$.

Proof.

We suppose that there exists $y \in \Lambda$ such that $\|(x+y)-t\| < \|x-t\|$;

we know that: $\|(x+y)-t\| = \|t-(x+y)\|$ and $\|x-t\| = \|t-x\|$;

thus $\|t-(x+y)\| < \|t-x\|$;

by Definition 10, we deduce that $(t-x)$ is not in the set $V(\Lambda)$;

it means that there exists a vector $v \in RV(\Lambda)$ such that $\|t-x\| > \|(t-x)-v\|$;

thus there exists a vector $v \in \Lambda$ such that $\|(x+v)-t\| < \|x-t\|$.

Inversely, we suppose now there exists $v \in RV(\Lambda)$ such that $\|(x+v)-t\| < \|x-t\|$;

Since $RV(\Lambda) \subset \Lambda$, then there exist a vector $v \in \Lambda$ such that $\|(x+v)-t\| < \|x-t\|$;

for $y = v$, we have the result.

Proposition 1. Let Λ be a lattice. A vector $v \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}$ is Voronoi relevant vector if and only if $\langle v, x \rangle < \langle x, x \rangle$, for all $x \in \Lambda \setminus \{0, v\}$.

Proof.

We remark that $\|\frac{1}{2}v - x\|^2 - \|\frac{1}{2}v\|^2 = \|\frac{1}{2}v\|^2 - \langle v, x \rangle + \|x\|^2 - \|\frac{1}{2}v\|^2 = \|x\|^2 - \langle v, x \rangle$;

Thus $\|\frac{1}{2}v - x\|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle - \langle v, x \rangle$;

Then, for a $v \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}$ and all $x \in \Lambda \setminus \{0, v\}$ we have that:

$$\|\frac{1}{2}v - x\|^2 - \|\frac{1}{2}v\|^2 > \|\frac{1}{2}v\|^2 \text{ iff } \langle x, x \rangle > \langle v, x \rangle.$$

The construction of the tensor product of two root lattices of type A is done as below.

Let $m, n \geq 1$, we consider the lattice $A_n \otimes A_m \subset \mathbb{Z}^{(n+1)(m+1)}$ of rank nm . Note that this lattice consists of all elements $x = (x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{1(n+1)}, x_{21}, \dots, x_{(n+1)(m+1)}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{(n+1)(m+1)}$ which satisfy the following conditions :

$$(1) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_{ij} = 0 \text{ for } j=1, \dots, m+1$$

$$(2) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} x_{ij} = 0 \text{ for } i=1, \dots, n+1$$

Remark 1. From the root lattice tensor product constructions, it follows that $A_n \otimes A_m$ is a subgroup of lattice $A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1}$. To solve CVP in the tensor product of three lattices of type A, it will be enough to use associativity and solve CVP first in $A_n \otimes A_m$ then in $A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1} \otimes A_p$.

Definition 7. Let $t \in \{-1, 0, 1\}^{(n+1)(m+1)}$ be given. We will define the subgraph $G_t = (V, E_t) \subset K_{(n+1)(m+1)} = (V, E)$ corresponding to t . Let E_t consist of the following directed edges:

- The edge (u_i, v_j) for each t_{ij} that has value -1 ;
- The edge (v_j, u_i) for each t_{ij} that has value 1 .

III. Closest Vector Problem in $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$

In this section, we will characterize the Voronoi relevant vector in $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ ($m, n, p \geq 1$) in order to determine a polynomial algorithm to solve the closest vector problem in this lattice. We will use the same techniques as for the case of the tensor product of two root lattices of type A. But in this case of the tensor product of three root lattices of type A, we will use the complete directed tripartite graph.

Definition 8. Let $m, n, p \geq 1$, be three positive integers that are not all zero. We call root lattice $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p \subset \mathbb{Z}^{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)}$ of rank nmp all of elements

$x = (x_{111}, \dots, x_{11(p+1)}, x_{121}, \dots, x_{12(p+1)}, \dots, x_{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)}$ which satisfy the following conditions:

$$(1) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_{ijk} = 0 \text{ for } j=1, \dots, m+1 \text{ and } k=1, \dots, p+1$$

$$(2) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} x_{ijk} = 0 \text{ for } i=1, \dots, n+1 \text{ and } k=1, \dots, p+1$$

$$(3) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{p+1} x_{ijk} = 0 \text{ for } i=1, \dots, n+1 \text{ and } j=1, \dots, m+1$$

We will use the indices i, j and k throughout this section.

Characterizing the Voronoi relevant vectors.

As announced we construct a polynomial algorithm to solve the closest vector problem for the lattice $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$. For this, we characterize the Voronoi relevant of $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$. First we will limit our search space.

Many of the results present here are due by Léo Ducas and Wessel van Woerden [5].

Proposition 2. For all voronoi relevant vectors $u \in A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ we have $|u_{ijk}| < 6$ for all $i=1, \dots, n+1$; $j=1, \dots, m+1$ and $k=1, \dots, p+1$.

Proof.

Let $u \in A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ be a Voronoi relevant vector. We suppose that there exist i, j, k such that $|u_{ijk}| \geq 6$; because of symmetry of the Voronoi region we can assume without loss of generality that $|u_{111}| \geq 6$. And because u is a Voronoi relevant vector iff $-u$ is also a relevant vector, we can also assume that $u_{ijk} \geq 6$.

Let $x^{ijk} \in A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ for all $i=2, \dots, n+1$; $j=2, \dots, m+1$ and $k=2, \dots, p+1$ be given by

$$x_{111} = x_{1jk} = x_{ij1} = x_{i1j} = 1; x_{11k} = x_{1j1} = x_{i11} = x_{ijk} = -1 \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

Note that $\langle x^{ijk}, x^{ijk} \rangle = 8$ for all i, j, k . Then by Definition 2, we get: $u_{111} + u_{1jk} + u_{ij1} + u_{i1j} - u_{11k} - u_{j11} - u_{i11} - u_{ijk} =$

$$\langle u, x^{ijk} \rangle < 8 \text{ for all } i=1, \dots, n+1; j=1, \dots, m+1 \text{ and } k=1, \dots, p+1.$$

Because these are all integers, we even have that: $u_{111} + u_{1jk} + u_{ij1} + u_{i1j} - u_{11k} - u_{j11} - u_{i11} - u_{ijk} \leq 7$.

Summing multiple of these relations for a fixed $j=2, \dots, m+1$ gives:

$$mu_{111} - mu_{11k} + mu_{i1k} - mu_{i11} + \sum_{j=2}^{m+1} (u_{1jk} + u_{ij1} - u_{j11} - u_{ijk}) \leq 7(m+1-1). \text{ Summing multiple of these relations for a fixed } k=2, \dots, p+1 \text{ gives: } mpu_{111} - mpu_{i11} + \sum_{k=2}^{p+1} (mu_{i1k} - mu_{11k}) + \sum_{k=2}^{p+1} (\sum_{j=2}^{m+1} (u_{1jk} + u_{ij1} - u_{j11} - u_{ijk})) \leq 7(m+1-1)(p+1-1);$$

$$\text{therefore } -mu_{i11} = \sum_{k=2}^{p+1} mu_{i1k} \text{ and } -mu_{111} = \sum_{k=2}^{p+1} mu_{11k};$$

$$\text{as becomes: } mpu_{111} - mpu_{i11} - mu_{i11} + mpu_{i11} + \sum_{k=2}^{p+1} (\sum_{j=2}^{m+1} (u_{1jk} + u_{ij1} - u_{j11} - u_{ijk})) \leq 7(m+1-1)(p+1-1);$$

$$\text{furthermore, } \sum_{k=2}^{p+1} (\sum_{j=2}^{m+1} (u_{1jk} + u_{ij1} - u_{j11} - u_{ijk})) = \sum_{k=2}^{p+1} (-u_{11k} - u_{i11} + u_{111} + u_{i1k}) = u_{111} - pu_{i11} + pu_{111} - u_{i11};$$

$$\text{so the inequations becomes: } mpu_{111} - mpu_{i11} - mu_{i11} + mpu_{i11} + u_{111} - pu_{i11} + pu_{111} - u_{i11} \leq 7(m+1-1)(p+1-1);$$

$$\text{thus, } (m+1)(p+1)(u_{111} - u_{i11}) \leq 7(m+1-1)(p+1-1); \text{ so } u_{111} - u_{i11} \leq \frac{7(m+1-1)(p+1-1)}{(m+1)(p+1)};$$

$$\text{by hypothesis we have } u_{111} \geq 6, \text{ then we now get that: } u_{i11} \geq \frac{7(m+1-1)(p+1-1)}{(m+1)(p+1)} + 6;$$

and thus $u_{i11} \geq -1 + \frac{7(m+1+p+1-1)}{(m+1)(p+1)}$; and we also have $(7(m+1)(p+1)-1) > (m+1)(p+1)$ for all $(p+1), (m+1) \geq 3$.

So $u_{i11} \geq 0$ for all $i = 2, \dots, n+1$ and $u_{111} \geq 6$; but in that case:

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \cdot u_{i11} \geq 6+0+0+\dots+0 = 6 \text{ which gives a contradiction.}$$

Therefore $|u_{ijk}| < 6$ for all $i=1, \dots, n+1$; $j=1, \dots, m+1$ and $k=1, \dots, p+1$.

Remark 2. From the Proposition 2, we can deduce that all Voronoi relevant vectors of $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ must lie in $X = \{-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}^{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)} \cap (A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p)$. As for the case of two root lattices we have determined the set of coordinates of the Voronoi relevant vector in $A_n \otimes A_m$ but the characterization of its elements according to a certain subgraphs of the completed directed tripartite graph $K_{n+1, m+1, p+1} = (V, E)$ is very difficult. This is the reason why, we will use the associativity of the lattice of type A and the results obtained by Léo Ducas and Wessel van Woerden in [5] to solve CVP in the tensor product of more than two lattices of type A.

Since the tensor products of $A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1} \otimes A_p$ and $A_{n+1} \otimes A_{(m+1)(p+1)-1}$ are used to solve CVP in $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$, the following proposition gives us the characterization of the Voronoi relevant vector in $A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1} \otimes A_p$.

Proposition 3. (Voronoi relevant vector of $A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1} \otimes A_p$ and $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$)

Now consider $X = \{-1, 0, 1\}$. The Voronoi relevant vectors of $A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1} \otimes A_p$ are precisely all $u \in X \setminus \{0\}$ such that G_u consists of a simple cycle.

The Voronoi relevant vectors of $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ are also precisely all $s \in X \setminus \{0\}$ such that G_s consists of a simple cycle.

Proof. Just use (Theorem 2, [5]) and associativity.

Since G_u and G_s are connected and that the indegree of each node is exactly 1, we can just that the whole graph consists of a single directed simple cycle.

From Theorem 2, [5] we can deduce that the number of Voronoi relevant vectors of $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ is equal to:

$$\sum_i \binom{(n+1)(m+1)}{i} \binom{p+1}{i} \cdot i! \cdot (i-1)!$$

Where $i = 2, \dots, \min\{(n+1)(m+1), (p+1)\}$.

Finding the closest vector in $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$

The Voronoi relevant vectors of $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ being characterized, we will in the following present a polynomial algorithm allowing solving CVP in this type of lattice.

Lemma 2. Let $x \in A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$, and let $t \in \text{span}(A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p)$ be our target. If there exists a Voronoi relevant vector $u \in RV(A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p)$ such that $\|(x+u)-t\| < \|x-t\|$ we can find such a Voronoi relevant vector in $O(((n+1)(m+1)-1+p)((n+1)(m+1)-1)p)$ operations. If it doesn't exist this will be directed by algorithm.

Proof. Just use (Lemmas 3 and 8, [5]) and associativity.

Remark 3. Let $b^{ijk} \in A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ be given by: $b_{i,j,k}^{ijk} = b_{i+1,k+1}^{ijk} = b_{i+1,j,k+1}^{ijk} = b_{i+1,j+1,k}^{ijk} = 1$;

$b_{i,j,k+1}^{ijk} = b_{i,j+1,k}^{ijk} = b_{i+1,j,k}^{ijk} = b_{i+1,j+1,k+1}^{ijk} = -1$ and 0 otherwise for all $i = 1, \dots, (n+1)$; $j = 1, \dots, (m+1)$ and $k = 1, \dots, p+1$. Note that $B = \{b^{ijk} : i = 1, \dots, (n+1); j = 1, \dots, (m+1) \text{ and } k = 1, \dots, p+1\}$ is a basis of $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$. Because the basis B is so sparse we can efficiently encode elements in this basis.

Lemma 3. For any $t \in \text{span}(A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p)$, we can find an $x \in A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ such that

$$\|x-t\| \leq 2\sqrt{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)} \text{ in } O(((n+1)(m+1)-1)p) \text{ operations.}$$

Proof. Just use (Lemmas 7, [5]) and associativity.

In Lemma 5, if $\sum_{ij} a_{ij} b^{ij} \in \text{span}(A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p) \cap (2^{-d} \mathbb{Z}^{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)})$ from the transformation, it is clear that $a_{ij} \in 2^{-d} \mathbb{Z}$. Since $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ has only integer vectors, we can that if $t \in 2^{-d} \mathbb{Z}^{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)}$ then the squared distance to the target will in each iteration improve with at least 2^{-i+1} which exactly what we need to bound the number of iterations.

Algorithm 1: A polynomial CVP algorithm for the lattice $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$.

Require: $n, m, p, d \geq 1$ and $t = \sum_{ij} a_{ij} b^{ij} \in \text{span}(A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p)$, with $a_{ij} \in 2^{-d} \mathbb{Z}$.

Ensure: a closest vector x to t in $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$.

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1: Find  $(a_{qr})_{q,r}$ , such that  $t = \sum_{qr} a_{qr} b^{qr}$  ;
2:  $a := \sum_{qr} [a_{qr}] b^{qr}$ ,  $b := a$  ;
3: for  $i=1, \dots, d$  (outer loop) do
4:    $t_i := \sum_{qr} 2^{-i} [2^{-i} a_{qr}] b^{qr}$ ;
5:   construct weighted  $K_{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)}$  (with  $u := a - t_i$ );
6:   construct weighted  $K_{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)}$  (with  $s := a - t_i$ );
7:   while  $K_{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)}(a - t_i)$  has a negative cycle  $G_u$  do (inner loop)
8:      $a := a + u$ ;
9:      $x_i := a$  ;
10:    while  $K_{(n+1)(m+1)(p+1)}(a - t_i)$  has a negative cycle  $G_s$  do (inner loop)
11:       $b := b + u$ ;
12:       $y_i := a$ ;
13:      if  $\|x_d - t\| < \|y - t\|$  then
14:         $x_d$  is a closest vector to  $t$ ;
15:        else
16:           $y_d$  is a closest vector to  $t$ ;

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Proposition 4. Given a target $t = \sum_{ij} a_{ij} b^{ij} \in \text{span}(A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p)$, with $a_{ij} \in 2^{-d}\mathbb{Z}$ and with $d \geq 1$ we can find a closest vector to t in $A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p$ in $O(d \cdot ((n+1)(m+1)-1)p)^2 \min\{(n+1)(m+1)-1, p\}$ arithmetic operations with the previous algorithm.

Proof. Just use (Theorem 3, [5]) and associativity.

Remark 4. In general, the optimal parenthesis would be that which contains the vector $(A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p)$. This means that we could first check if the vector $t \in \text{span}(A_n \otimes A_m \otimes A_p)$. This means that we could first check if the vector t is either in $\text{span}(A_n \otimes A_{(m+1)(p+1)-1})$ or in $\text{span}(A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1} \otimes A_p)$, and this will allow us to gain a good number of operations. Note also that these search for his optimal parenthesis becomes more complex when the number of lattices increases.

IV. Closest Vector Problem in $A_{n_1} \otimes A_{n_2} \otimes \dots \otimes A_{n_k}$

According to the previous remark, we can generalize the resolution of CVP in the tensor product of root lattices of type A.

Let k lattices A_{n_1}, \dots, A_{n_k} of type A.

Definition 9. Let $n_1, \dots, n_k \geq 1$, be k positive integers that are not all zero. We call root lattice $A_{n_1} \otimes A_{n_2} \otimes \dots \otimes A_{n_k} \subset \mathbb{Z}^{(n_1+1)\dots(n_k+1)}$ of rank $n_1 \cdot n_2 \cdot \dots \cdot n_k$ all of the elements

$x = (x_{111\dots 1}, x_{11\dots 1(n_k+1)}, x_{121\dots 1}, \dots, x_{(n_1+1)\dots(n_k+1)}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{(n_1+1)\dots(n_k+1)}$ satisfying conditions:

- $\sum_{i(1)=1}^{n_1+1} x_{i(1)i(2)\dots i(k)} = 0$ for $i(2) = 1, \dots, n_2+1; \dots; i(k) = 1, \dots, n_k+1$
- $\sum_{i(2)=1}^{n_2+1} x_{i(1)i(2)\dots i(k)} = 0$ for $i(1) = 1, \dots, n_1+1; \dots; i(k) = 1, \dots, n_k+1$
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- $\sum_{i(k)=1}^{n_k+1} x_{i(1)i(2)\dots i(k)} = 0$ for $i(1) = 1, \dots, n_1+1; \dots; i(k-1) = 1, \dots, n_{(k-1)}+1$

We will use the indices $i(1), \dots, i(k)$ throughout this section.

We note that by gradually regrouping these lattices, and two by two, and by using the associativity of the tensor product, solving CVP in $A_{n_1} \otimes A_{n_2} \otimes \dots \otimes A_{n_k}$ amounts to solving the same problem in $(A_{n_1} \otimes A_{n_2}) \otimes A_{n_3} \otimes \dots \otimes A_{n_k}$.

Step by step, solving CVP in $A_{n_1} \otimes A_{n_2} \otimes \dots \otimes A_{n_k}$ could be reduced to solving it in $A_{n_1} \otimes A_{(n_2+1)\dots(n_k+1)-1}$, or in $A_{(n_1+1)(n_2+1)-1} \otimes A_{(n_3+1)\dots(n_k+1)-1}$, or in ...

Thus, we will have several sublattices when the number k is large. Therefore, the closest vector associated to the vector associated with the lattice will be quite simply the one whose norm will be smallest among all the vectors which will be determined in the aforementioned lattices. The previous section illustrates well the case for $k=3$.

V. Conclusion

In this project, we have shown that we can use the optimal parenthesis to solve the closest vector problem in the tensor product of three root lattices of type A; and this optimal parenthesis could also allow to generalize this resolution in the case of a finite number of root lattices of type A, this having previously solved the problem of optimal parenthesis which becomes complex when the numbers of root lattices becomes large.

In our future work, we will use the characterization of the Voronoi relevant vectors and the oriented complete k -graphs to solve CVP in the tensor product of k lattices of type A

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