

Post-quantum Key Exchange from LWE

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The context of our work - PKC

- Diffie-Hellman's revolution idea – Public key cryptography
Symmetric systems versus Asymmetric systems
- The work of RSA – the critical role of mathematics
- The Internet and the PKCs
Internet can not work without PKCs.

The context of our work - PQC

- Shor's quantum algorithm
- Post-quantum cryptography
Develop public key cryptosystems that could resist future quantum computer attacks

The Preparation for the Future

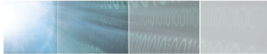
- The first Quantum-Safe-Crypto Workshop
26 - 27 September, 2013

ETSI – the European Telecommunications Standards Institute at SOPHIA ANTIPOLIS, FRANCE

- The second Quantum-Safe-Crypto Workshop
6 - 2 October , 2014, Ottawa, Canada
White paper

- The Quantum-Safe-Crypto Workshop at **NIST: National Institute of Standard of Technology**,
April 7-8, 2015, Washington DC

A slide of M. MOSCA



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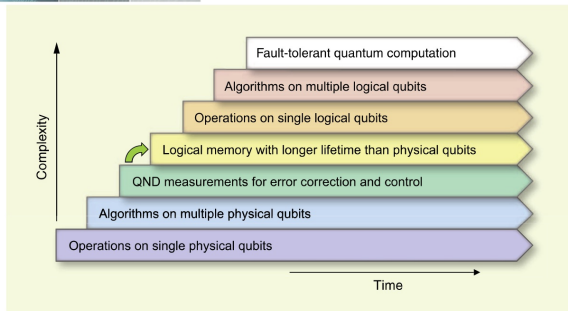


Fig. 1. Seven stages in the development of quantum information processing. Each advancement requires mastery of the preceding stages, but each also represents a continuing task that must be perfected in parallel with the others. Superconducting qubits are the only solid-state implementation at the third stage, and they now aim at reaching the fourth stage (green arrow). In the domain of atomic physics and quantum optics, the third stage had been previously attained by trapped ions and by Rydberg atoms. No implementation has yet reached the fourth stage, where a logical qubit can be stored, via error correction, for a time substantially longer than the decoherence time of its physical qubit components.

A commercial for PQC from NSA

The screenshot shows the NSA Central Security Service website. At the top, the text "NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY" and "CENTRAL SECURITY SERVICE" is displayed, along with the tagline "Defending Our Nation. Securing The Future." Below this is a navigation bar with links: HOME, ABOUT NSA, ACADEMIA, BUSINESS, CAREERS, INFORMATION ASSURANCE (highlighted in red), RESEARCH, PUBLIC INFORMATION, and CIVIL LIBERTIES. A search bar is located on the right. The main content area is titled "Information Assurance" and includes a sidebar with links: About IA at NSA, IA Client and Partner Support, IA News, IA Events, IA Mitigation Guidance, IA Academic Outreach, IA Business and Research, IA Programs (highlighted), Commercial Solutions for Classified Program, Global Information Grid, High Assurance Platform, Inline Media Encryptor, Suite B Cryptography (highlighted), and NSA Mobility Program. The main text area is titled "Cryptography Today" and contains the following text: "In the current global environment, rapid and secure information sharing is important to protect our Nation, its citizens and its interests. Strong cryptographic algorithms and secure protocol standards are vital tools that contribute to our national security and help address the ubiquitous need for secure, interoperable communications. Currently, Suite B cryptographic algorithms are specified by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) and are used by NSA's Information Assurance Directorate in solutions approved for protecting classified and unclassified National Security Systems (NSS). Below, we announce preliminary plans for transitioning to quantum resistant algorithms." Below this is a section titled "Background" with the text: "IAD will initiate a transition to quantum resistant algorithms in the not too distant future. Based on experience in deploying Suite B, we have determined to start planning and communicating early about the upcoming transition to quantum resistant algorithms. Our ultimate goal is to provide cost effective security against a potential quantum computer. We are working with partners across the USG, vendors, and standards bodies to ensure there is a clear plan for

What do we really need ?– a slides of L. Chen from NIST

Practical Challenge

- ▶ Quantum computing will break many public-key cryptographic algorithms/schemes
 - Key agreement (e.g. DH and MQV)
 - Digital signatures (e.g. RSA and DSA)
 - Encryption (e.g. RSA)
- ▶ These algorithms have been used to protect Internet protocols (e.g. IPsec) and applications (e.g. TLS)
- ▶ NIST is studying “quantum-safe” replacements

The call from NIST

In PQC2016 in Japan, NIST make a call for quantum resistant algorithms by Dustin Moody

Deadline: November 2017

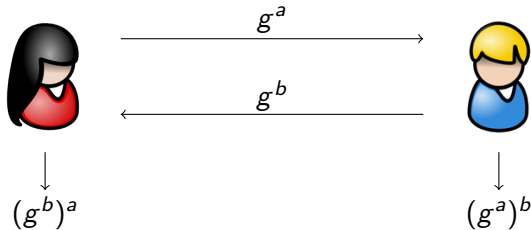
Post Quantum Needs – Functionality

- Key Exchange – for secure communications
- Signatures – for Authentication

Key Exchange Applications — SSL/TLS

- RSA
- Diffie–Hellman
- Our goal – replacements for post quantum world

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange



Generalizing DH

- DH works because maps $f(x) = x^a$ and $h(x) = x^b$ commute

$$f \circ h = h \circ f,$$

- – composition

Nonlinearity

- Many attempts – Braid group etc

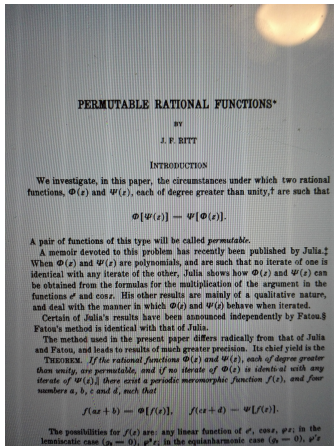
Generalizing DH

- When do we have commuting *nonlinear* maps?
 - Powers of x (normal DH)
 - Iterates of a polynomial
 - Julia (Fatou)– Memoire sur la permutabilite des fractions rationnelles, Annales de l'Ecole Normale Suprieure, vol. 39 (1922), pp. 131-215.
 - J. Ritt (1923) – Power polynomials, Chebyshev polynomials. Elliptic curve

Who is J. Ritt: 1893-1951



Who is J. Ritt: 1923: PERMUTABLE RATIONAL FUNCTIONS



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Generalizing DH

Our basic idea — adding "small" noise or perturbation:

- (Ring) LWE approximately commutes—use to build DH generalization

From

$$(s_1 \times a) \times s_2 = s_1 \times (a \times s_2)$$

to

$$(as_1 + e_1)s_2 \approx s_1as_2 \approx (as_2 + e_2)s_1.$$

A historical Note

Our basic idea — adding "**small**" **noise or perturbation** is not new!!!

- GCHQ – Communications-Electronics Security Group(CESG)
 - James Elias – "Invention of non-secret encryption" 1969
 - Clifford Cocks – RSA, Malcolm Williamson – DH, 1973
- The forgotten inspiration of J. Elias –
 - "Ellis said that the idea first occurred to him after reading a paper from World War II by someone at Bell Labs describing a way to protect voice communications by the receiver adding (and then later subtracting) random noise (possibly this 1944 paper[4] or the 1945 paper co-authored by Claude Shannon)"
 - Wikipedia

Learning with Errors [2006, Regev]

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix}}_{\vec{b}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ \vdots \\ s_n \end{pmatrix}}_{\vec{s}} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ \vdots \\ e_m \end{pmatrix}}_{\vec{e}}$$

- Approximate system over \mathbb{Z}_q
- Hard to find \vec{s} from A, \vec{b} .
- Hard to tell if \vec{s} even exists
- Reduction to lattice approximation problems

Ring LWE

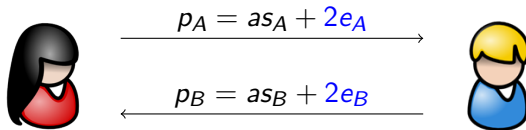
Definition

Let n be a power of 2, $q \equiv 1 \pmod{2n}$ prime. Define the ring

$$R_q = \frac{\mathbb{Z}_q[x]}{(x^n + 1)}.$$

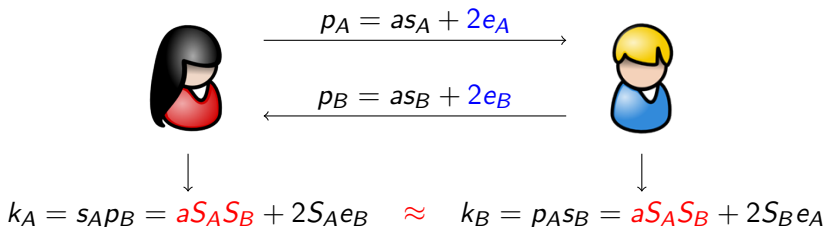
- Again, $b = as + e$ hard to find s
- Hard to distinguish from uniform b
- Approximation problems on *ideal* lattices
- More efficient than standard LWE

Diffie-Hellman from Ideal Lattices



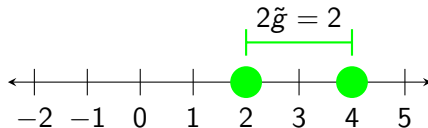
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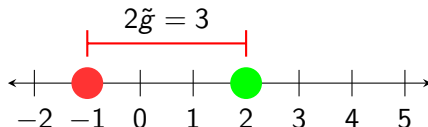
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- Each side's key is only *approximately* equal to the other.
- Difference is even—same low bits.
- No authentication—MitM

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- But wait! If $q = 5$, $\mathbb{Z}_q = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$.
- 4 becomes -1 , now parities disagree!

Compensating for Wrap-Around

- $g = 2S_A e_B - 2S_B e_A$.
- Recall: $|g^{(j)}| < \frac{q}{8}$
- Define $E = \{-\lfloor \frac{q}{4} \rfloor, \dots, \lfloor \frac{q}{4} \rfloor\}$. Middle half of \mathbb{Z}_q .
- If $k_B^{(j)} \in E$, no wrap-around occurs; $k_A^{(j)} \equiv k_B^{(j)}$.
- If $k_B^{(j)} \notin E$, then $k_B^{(j)} + \frac{q-1}{2} \in E$
- If $k_B^{(j)} \notin E$, $k_A^{(j)} + \frac{q-1}{2} \equiv k_B^{(j)} + \frac{q-1}{2}$.

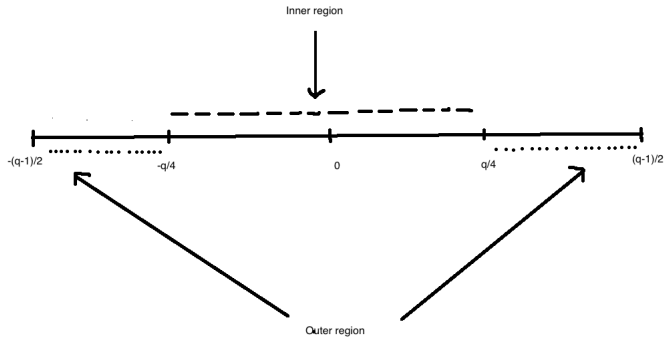
Wrap-around Defeated

Define $w_B^{(j)} = \begin{cases} 0 & k_B^{(j)} \in E, \\ 1 & k_B^{(j)} \notin E. \end{cases}$ Then $k_B^{(j)} + w_B^{(j)} \frac{q-1}{2} \in E$.

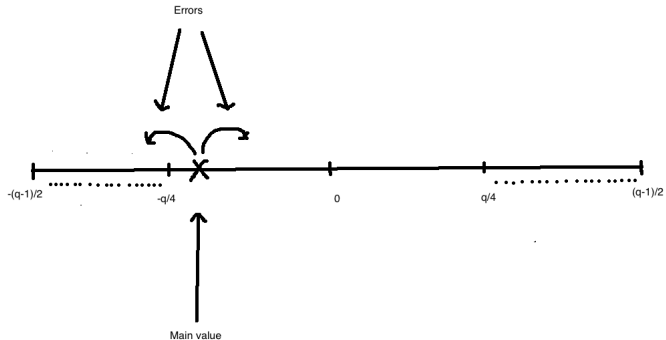
Also, $k_B^{(j)} + w_B^{(j)} \frac{q-1}{2} \equiv k_A^{(j)} + w_B^{(j)} \frac{q-1}{2} \pmod{2}$.

- $k_B^{(j)} + w_B^{(j)} \frac{q-1}{2} \pmod{q} \pmod{2} = k_A^{(j)} + w_B^{(j)} \frac{q-1}{2} \pmod{q} \pmod{2}$.
- Wrap-around correction $w_B = (w_B^{(0)}, w_B^{(1)}, \dots, w_B^{(n-1)})$
- $\sigma_B = k_B + w_B \frac{q-1}{2} \pmod{2}$.
- $\sigma_A = k_A + w_B \frac{q-1}{2} \pmod{2}$.

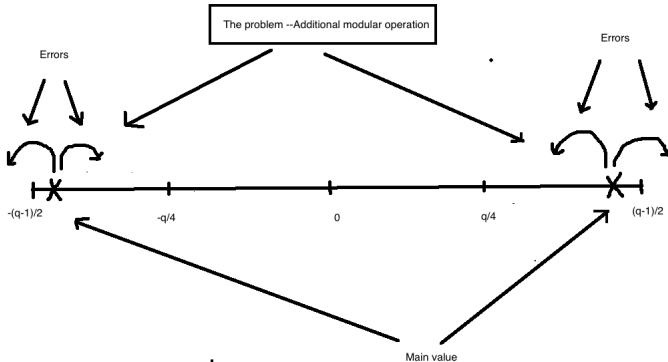
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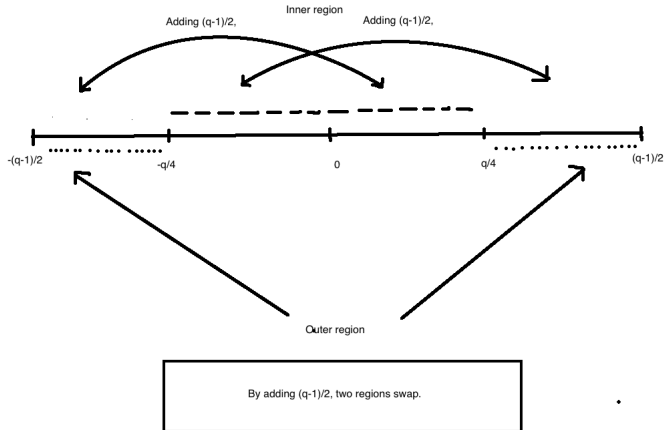
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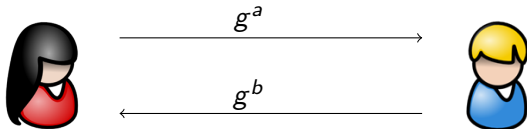
Rounding Intuition – Outer Region problem



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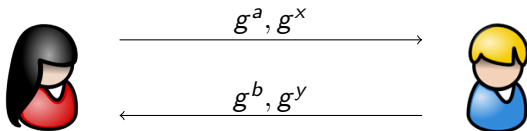


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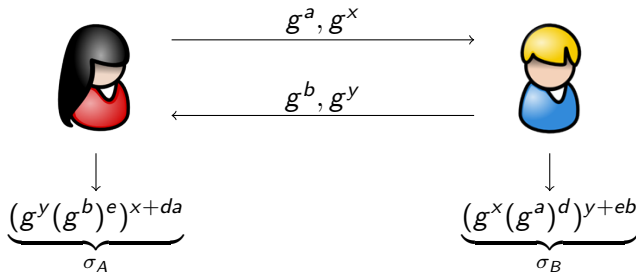
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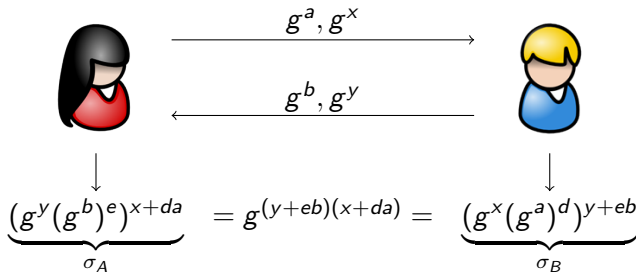
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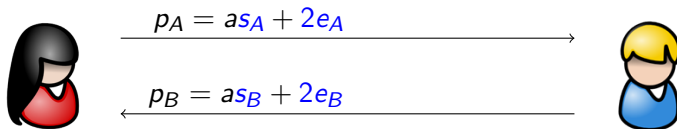
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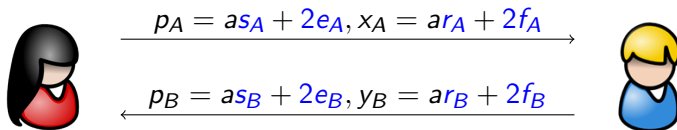
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- Shared key is $K = H(\sigma_A) = H(\sigma_B) = H(g^{(y+be)(x+da)})$

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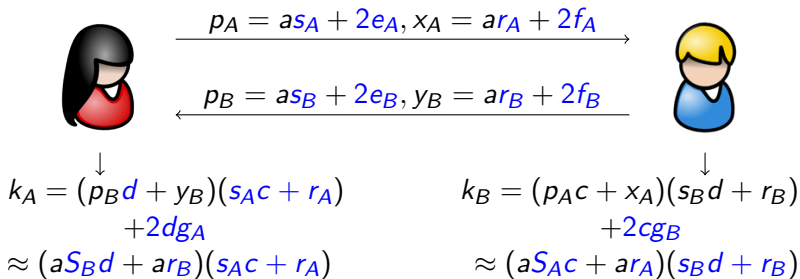
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- c, d publicly derivable; g_A, g_B random, small.

Key Derivation

Obtaining shared secret from approximate shared secret:

$$k_A = (k_A^{(0)}, k_A^{(1)}, \dots, k_A^{(n-1)})$$

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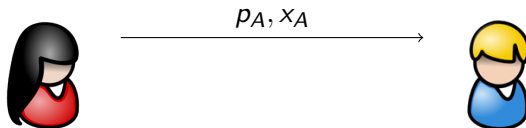
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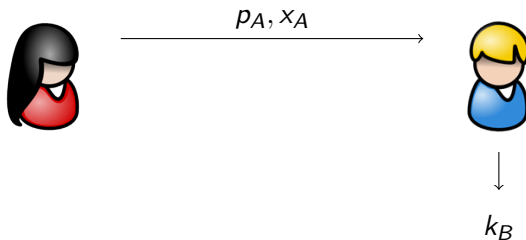
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- Each $k_A^{(j)} = k_B^{(j)} + 2g^{(j)}$.
- Each $g^{(j)}$ is small ($|g^{(j)}| < \frac{q}{8}$).
- Matching coefficients differ by small multiple of 2
- Take each coefficient mod 2, get n bit secret

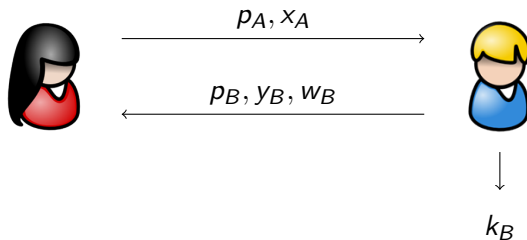
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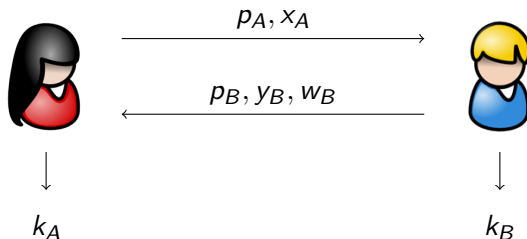
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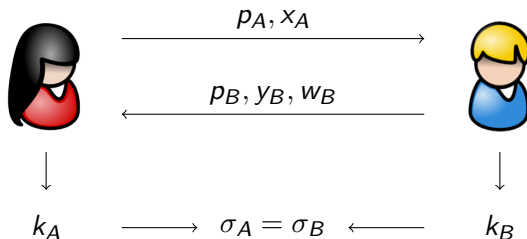
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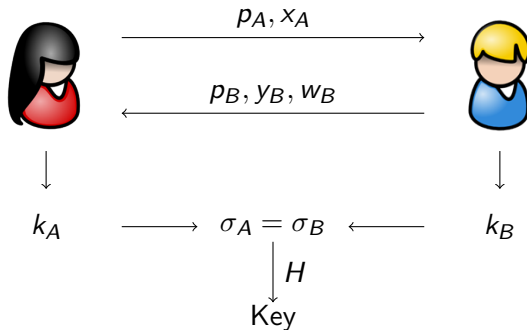
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Proof Games

Proof proceeds by series of games:

- Begin with simulated protocol
- Replace one hash output with true random value, back-program random oracle
- Adversary cannot distinguish from previous game
- Eventually, if original protocol can be distinguished from random, rLWE can be broken
- The modification using rejecting sampling

Forward Security

- If static keys compromised, previous session keys remain secure
- Notion captured in proof by giving adversaries ability to corrupt static key
- Use Bellare–Rogaway model restricted to two-pass

Quantum Hardness

- Proof uses Random Oracle Model—quantum implications not fully understood
- Important step to post quantum key exchange

Implementations Parameters

Parameters	n	Security (expt.)	α	γ	$\log \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$	$\log q$ (bits)
I*	1024	80 bits	3.397	101.919	8.5	40
II	2048	80 bits	3.397	161.371	27	78
III	2048	128 bits	3.397	161.371	19	63
IV	4096	128 bits	3.397	256.495	50	125
V	4096	192 bits	3.397	256.495	36	97
VI	4096	256 bits	3.397	256.495	28	81

Communication Overheads

Choice of Parameters	Size (KB)			
	pk	sk (expt.)	init. msg	resp. msg
I*	5 KB	0.75 KB	5 KB	5.125 KB
II	19.5 KB	1.5 KB	19.5 KB	19.75 KB
III	15.75 KB	1.5 KB	15.75 KB	16 KB
IV	62.5 KB	3 KB	62.5 KB	63 KB
V	48.5 KB	3 KB	48.5 KB	49 KB
VI	40.5 KB	3 KB	40.5 KB	41 KB

The bound 6α with $\text{erfc}(6) \approx 2^{-55}$ is used to estimate the size of secret keys.

Timings

Parameters	Initiation	Response	Finish
I	3.22 ms (0.02 ms)	8.50 ms (4.69 ms)	5.23 ms (4.73 ms)
II	12.00 ms (0.04 ms)	29.33 ms (14.64 ms)	17.28 ms (14.61 ms)
III	10.33 ms (0.04 ms)	25.83 ms (13.46 ms)	15.58 ms (13.40 ms)
IV	83.61 ms (0.08 ms)	156.58 ms (39.86 ms)	73.11 ms (39.73 ms)
V	61.74 ms (0.08 ms)	117.81 ms (32.58 ms)	55.64 ms (32.20 ms)
VI	25.42 ms (0.08 ms)	62.31 ms (31.32 ms)	36.80 ms (31.29 ms)

Table: Timings of Proof-of-Concept Implementations in ms (The figures in the parentheses indicate the timings with pre-computing. For comparison, by simply using the “speed” command in openssl on the same machine, the timing for dsa1024 signing algorithm is about 0.7 ms, and for dsa2048 is about 2.3 ms).

Summary

- We build a simple AKE based on RLWE.
 - They are provably secure.
 - We can prove the Forward Security of the AKE.
 - Our preliminary implementations are very efficient.
- Our AKE are strong candidates for the post-quantum world.

Work in Progress

- Password authenticated Key Exchange(PAKE)
<https://eprint.iacr.org/2016/552.pdf>
- Authentication protocol using the signal functions.

Work in Progress-Authentication Protocol

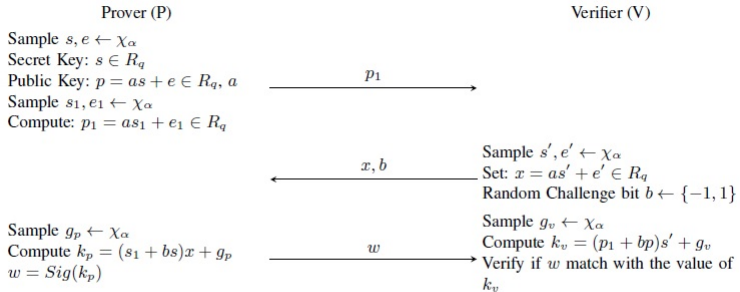


Fig. 1. Authenticated Protocol

Thank You

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