

not always true. In fact, when \mathfrak{B} is singular, the local-global principle makes the “compatibility” identity hold, see Chapter 1 in [17]. Furthermore, note that in the case $\text{Norm}_{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_e]}(\mathfrak{A}) = p - 1$, it also holds due to the inclusion map $\iota : \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_e]}{\mathfrak{A}} \mapsto \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_f]}{\mathfrak{B}}$. Hence, we formalize the following revised theorem.

Theorem 6. *Let e, f be integers with $f \mid e$. Let \mathfrak{p}_1 be as Lemma 1, and let $x \in \mathbb{Z}[\zeta_e]$. Then*

$$\left(\frac{x}{\mathfrak{p}_1 \cap \mathbb{Z}[\zeta_f]} \right)_f = \left(\frac{x}{\mathfrak{p}_1} \right)_e^{\frac{e}{f}}.$$

It follows readily that $\mathfrak{p}_1 \cap \mathbb{Z}[\zeta_f] = p\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_f] + (\zeta_f - \mu^{\frac{e}{f}})\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_f]$ due to the fact that $\mu^{\frac{e}{f}}$ is a *non-degenerate* primitive f -th root of unity modulo N . Therefore, we are able to learn the value of $\left(\frac{x}{\mathfrak{a}_1} \right)_e$ by computing

$$\left(\frac{x}{N\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_f] + (\zeta_f - \mu^{\frac{e}{f}})\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_f]} \right)_f \text{ for each prime factor } f \text{ of } e \text{ and applying the Chinese remainder theorem.}$$

6.2 Computing $\left(\frac{\cdot}{\mathfrak{a}_1} \right)_e$ if the Factorization $\mathfrak{a}_1 = \mathfrak{p}_1 \mathfrak{q}_1$ is Known

The following simple theorem demonstrates that computing $\left(\frac{\cdot}{\mathfrak{p}_1} \right)_e$ is related to solving the discrete logarithm problem in a certain cyclic group. Recall that the *discrete logarithm problem* (DLP) is defined as: given a finite cyclic group \mathbb{G} of order n with a generator α and an element $\beta \in \mathbb{G}$, find the integer $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ such that $\alpha^x = \beta$.

Theorem 7. *$\left(\frac{y}{\mathfrak{p}_1} \right)_e = \zeta_e^x$ if and only if $\mu^x = y^{\frac{p-1}{e}}$ in \mathbb{Z}_p^* . Therefore, the solution to the DLP in the finite cyclic subgroup $\langle \mu \rangle$ of order e allows the computation of $\left(\frac{\cdot}{\mathfrak{p}_1} \right)_e$.*

Proof. \Leftarrow If $\mu^x = y^{\frac{p-1}{e}}$, then $y^{\frac{p-1}{e}} - \zeta_e^x = \mu^x - \zeta_e^x \in \mathfrak{p}_1$. It follows that $\left(\frac{y}{\mathfrak{p}_1} \right)_e = \zeta_e^x$.

\Rightarrow If $\left(\frac{y}{\mathfrak{p}_1} \right)_e = \zeta_e^x$ for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}_e$, that is $y^{\frac{p-1}{e}} - \zeta_e^x \in \mathfrak{p}_1$. As the order of $y^{\frac{p-1}{e}}$ divides e , $y^{\frac{p-1}{e}}$ can be expressed as μ^z with an integer $z \in \mathbb{Z}_e$, which implies $\mu^x - \mu^z \in \mathfrak{p}_1$. The fact that the order of μ is e forces $x = z$. \blacksquare

Although the DLP is considered to be intractable in general, it can be quickly solved in a few particular cases, e.g., if the order of \mathbb{G} is smooth, the Pohlig-Hellman algorithm [30] turns out to be quite efficient. Taking advantage of the discovery above, Joye-Libert scheme [26] which generalizes Goldwasser-Micali cryptosystem using 2^k -th power residue symbols can be extended and rephrased as follows:

KeyGen (1^κ) Given a security parameter κ . **KeyGen** selects arbitrary $e = \prod_{i=1}^\ell e_i^{f_i}$ a product of small prime numbers, then generates an RSA modulus $N = pq$ a product of two large primes p and q such that $e \mid p - 1$, $e \mid q - 1$ and picks at random $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$ a *non-degenerate* primitive e -th root of unity to N and $y \in \mathcal{J}_{N,e}^1 \setminus \mathcal{ER}_{N,e}$. The public and private keys are $pk = \{N, e, y\}$ and $sk = \{p, \mu\}$.

Enc (pk, m) To encrypt a message $m \in \mathbb{Z}_e$, **Enc** picks a random $x \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$ and returns the ciphertext

$$c = y^m x^e \bmod N.$$

Dec (sk, c) Given the ciphertext c and the private key $sk = \{p, \mu\}$, **Dec** first computes $\left(\frac{c}{\mathfrak{p}_1} \right)_e = \zeta_e^z$

and then recovers the plaintext as $m = zk^{-1} \bmod e$ where $\left(\frac{y}{\mathfrak{p}_1} \right)_e = \zeta_e^k$.

The above scheme has the similar security proof as Goldwasser-Micali cryptosystem's, i.e., by the proof of Theorem 1, it is IND-CPA secure under the ER_e assumption defined as:

Definition 3 (e -th Residue (ER_e) Assumption). A PPT algorithm $\text{RSAgen}(\lambda)$ generates two equally sized primes p, q and an integer e such that $p \equiv q \equiv 1 \pmod{e}$, and chooses at random $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$ a non-degenerate primitive e -th root of unity to $N = pq$. We define the following two distributions relative to $\text{RSAgen}(\kappa)$ as:

$$\mathbb{D}_{ER} : \left\{ (N, v, e, \mu) : (p, q, e, \mu) \leftarrow \text{RSAgen}(\kappa), v \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{ER}_{N,e} \right\}$$

$$\mathbb{D}_{ENR} : \left\{ (N, v, e, \mu) : (p, q, e, \mu) \leftarrow \text{RSAgen}(\kappa), v \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{J}_{N,e}^1 \setminus \mathcal{ER}_{N,e} \right\}$$

The ER_e assumption relative to $\text{RSAgen}(\kappa)$ asserts that the advantage $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{RSAgen}}^{\text{ER}_e}(\kappa)$ defined as

$$\left| \Pr \left[\mathcal{A}(N, v, e) = 1 \mid (N, v, e, \mu) \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{D}_{ER}(\kappa) \right] - \Pr \left[\mathcal{A}(N, v, e) = 1 \mid (N, v, e, \mu) \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{D}_{ENR}(\kappa) \right] \right|$$

is negligible for any PPT adversary \mathcal{A} .

Note that when $e = 2^k$ for an integer k , ER_e assumption holds if and only if the k -QR assumption (Definition 2, [26]) holds since $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1$ if and only if $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right)_e$ is primitive (for a fixed p and arbitrary μ). Therefore, the above scheme for $e = 2^k$ (Joye-Libert scheme) is IND-CPA secure under the k -QR assumption.

One of the drawback of Joye-Libert scheme is that its decryption is slow. Consider decrypting a **128**-bit plaintext, its algorithm [Algorithm 1, [26]] needs roughly $\binom{128}{2} = \mathbf{8128}$ modular multiplications. If we take $e = \mathbf{10007}^{10} > 2^{128}$ in our generalized scheme, the major time consuming part of decryption is performing the Pohlig-Hellman algorithm to compute $\left(\frac{\cdot}{p_1}\right)_e$. For speeding up, we also pre-evaluate the quantities $\mu^{k \cdot \mathbf{10007}^9} \pmod{N}$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, \mathbf{10006}$ in a look-up table. If we ignore the time that the Pohlig-Hellman algorithm spends on the binary search algorithm, then it only needs $\sum_{k=0}^9 \log(\mathbf{10007}^k) \approx \mathbf{600}$ modular multiplications and **10** modular inverse operations, which is approximately **10** times faster than the decryption of Joye-Libert scheme.

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