

SEAL Ciphertext Serialization

Assumptions:
uint64_t: 8 bytes
double: 8 bytes
byte: 8 bits

	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4	Byte 5	Byte 6	Byte 7	Byte 8	byte: 8 bits
# Octet									
1	SEAL HEADER, always 0xA15E		header size (bytes)	SEAL Major Version	SEAL Minor Version	comp_mode_type	future use		} Size of SEAL Header: 16 Bytes
2	size of entire serialized object including header								
...	serialized ciphertext data								
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Size of SEAL Header: 16 Bytes

serialized ciphertext data:

3	params_id_type ...							
4	... params_id_type ...							
5	... params_id_type ...							
6	... params_id_type							
7	is_ntt	# bytes in uint64 ... (= 8)						
8	... # bytes in uint64	poly modulus degree (uint64)						
9	... poly modulus degree	coeff modulus size (uint64)						
10	... coeff modulus size	scale (double)						
11	... scale	data						

params_id_type describes parameters that are hashed with blake2b hash function (HashOutputSize=4*uint64)

data (concrete):

consists of serialization of DynArray<ct_coeff_type>

11	empty	size of DynArray / number of elements						
...		ciphertext coefficient ...						
...		... ciphertext coefficient ...						
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...		... ciphertext coefficient ...						
...		... ciphertext coefficient						
...		...						
...		empty						

data
array of uint64

data (seed): has_seed_marker() == true <=> (data_size() && (size_ == 2)) ? (data(1)[0] == 0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFULL) : false

11	empty	size of DynArray / number of elements										data array of uint64	
...		ciphertext coefficient ...											
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...		prng_type	seed										UniformRandomGeneratorInfo prng_type: shake256 and blake2xb are supported seed has constant length of 8*uint64
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...		seed											
...		seed											
...		empty											

data
array of uint64

UniformRandomGeneratorInfo
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seed has constant length of 8*uint64

Notes

Seal uses compression on each component individually instead of compressing all components together, eg. seed is compressed independently from ciphertext coefficients if compression is turned on