



# Post-Quantum Blockchain

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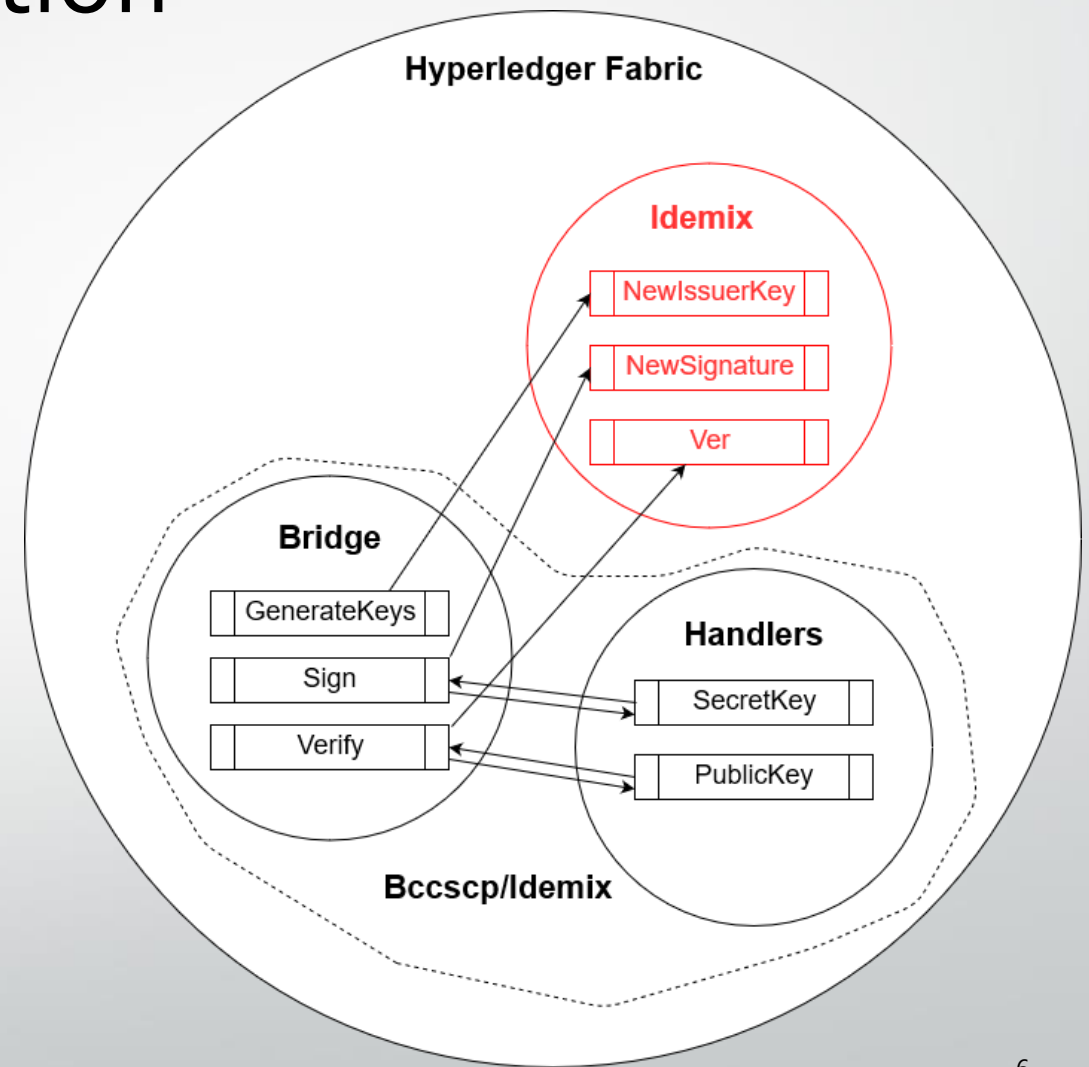
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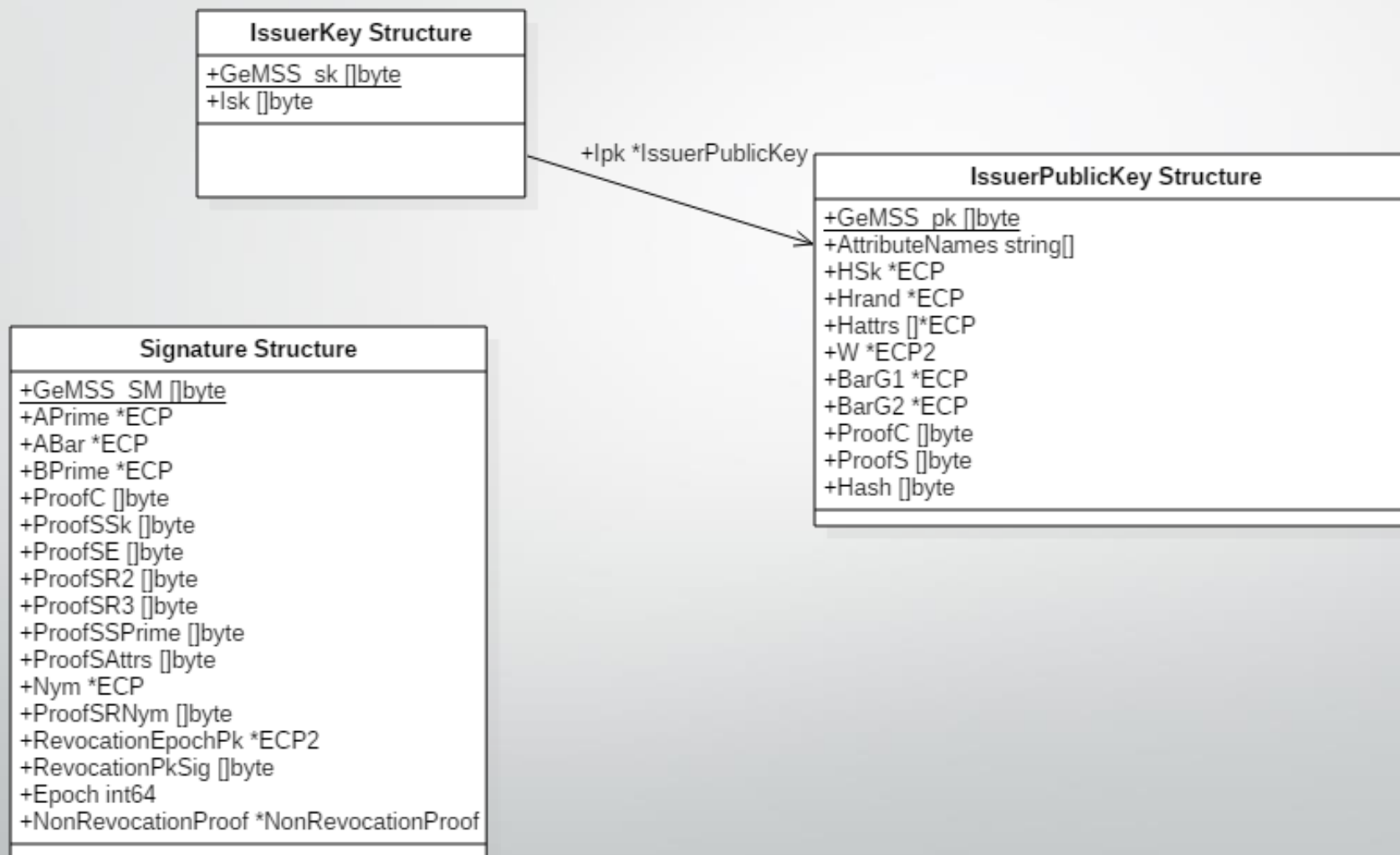
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  - MQ problem [Christopher Wolf and Bart Preneel. *Taxonomy of Public Key Schemes Based on the Problem of Multivariate Quadratic Equations*] : multivariate polynomial equations over a finite field  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with  $q$  a prime
  - Short keys but longer signature
  - 62 bytes and 32 bytes for public/secret keys, 32,882 bytes for signature

# Hyperledger organisation

- *Idemix* : Implementation of the cryptographic functions
- *Handlers* : functions used to make the conversion between types
- *Bridge* : Converts parameters before a cryptographic function call



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- Swap between post-quantum signature algorithms by changing one macro

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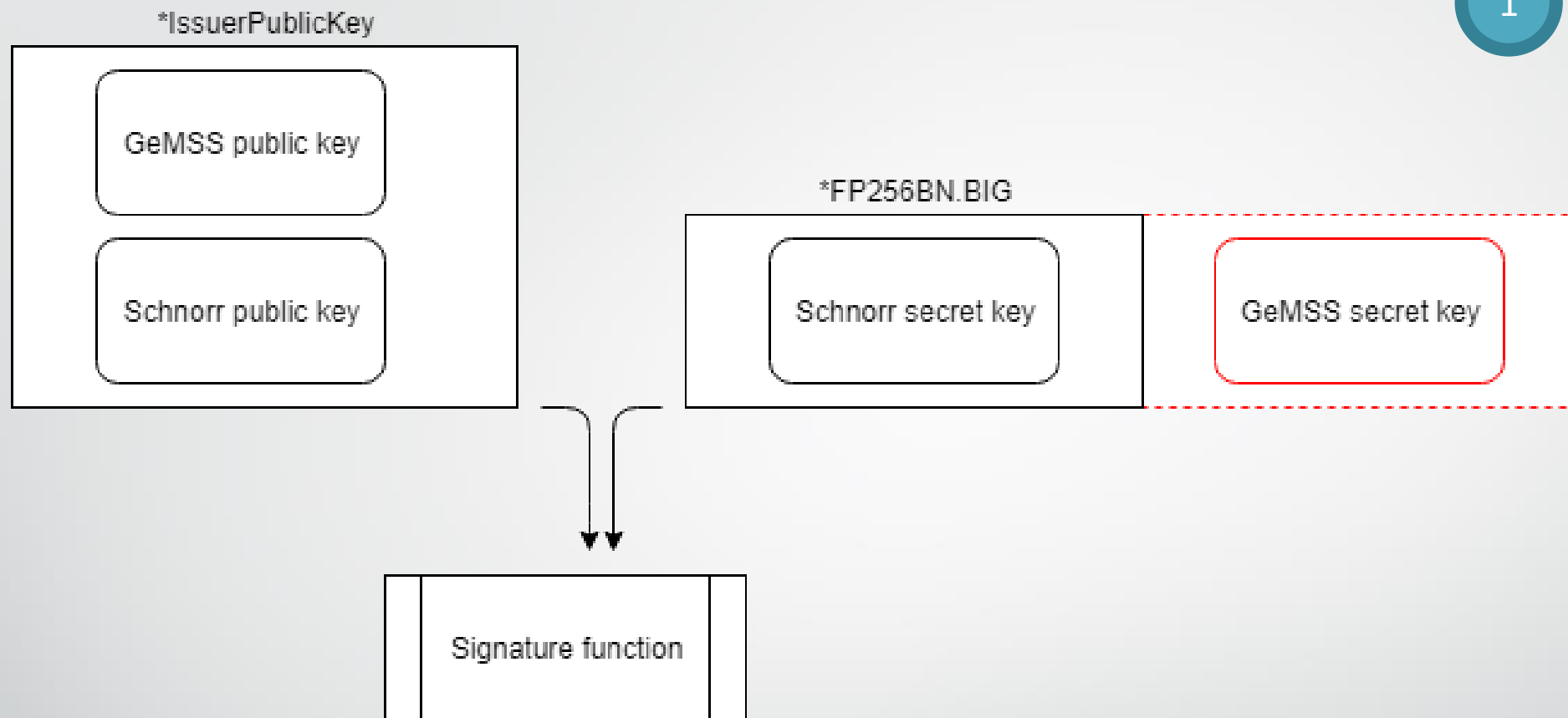
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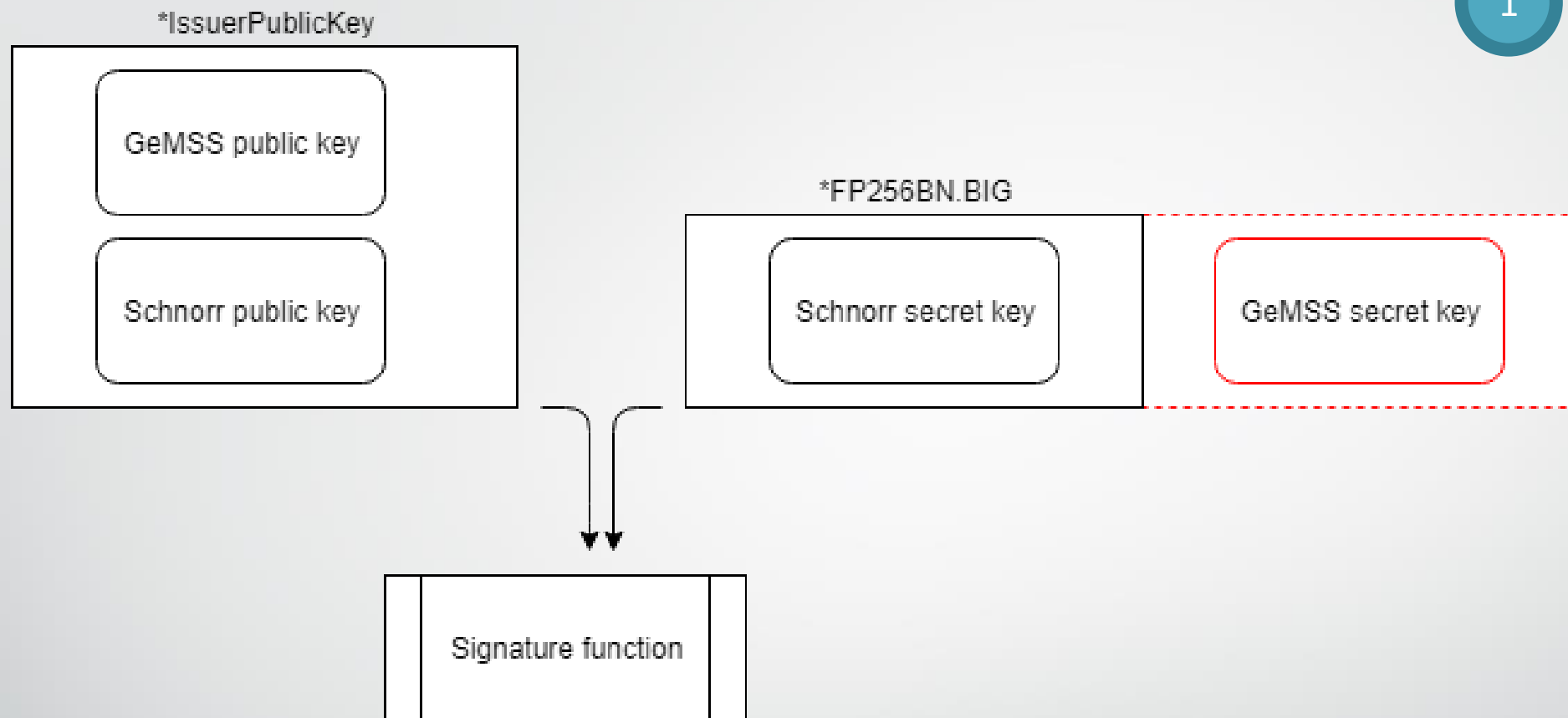
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# Performances tests

|                        | Hyperledger | GeMSS (128) | MQDSS (120) | GeMSS (192) | GeMSS (256) |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Keys generation        | 0.002 ms    | 13 ms       | 1 ms        | 60 ms       | 191 ms      |
| Signature              | 31 ms       | 220 ms      | 33 ms*      | 560 ms      | 905 ms      |
| Signature verification | 60 ms       | 0.05 ms     | 22 ms       | 0.2 ms      | 0.5 ms      |

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| Keys generation        | 14 ms                      | 1.1 ms                 | 66 ms                      | 207 ms                     |
| Signature              | 227 ms                     | 61 ms*                 | 619 ms                     | 1180 ms                    |
| Signature verification | 60 ms                      | 85 ms                  | 62 ms                      | 62 ms                      |

Measures on *Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-7600K CPU @ 3.80GHz*

\* Time taken over a few runs

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- Memory allocation for the verification is the same and depends on the message's size

# Remaining tasks

- Finalize the implementation
  - Adapt the hybrid-cryptography model to the application
- Test a real use case
  - Test over a broad network
  - Perform multiple transactions
- Incorporate other post-quantum signature algorithms





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