

8. Module Variants

8.1. Module SIS

$$R = \mathbb{Z}[x]/(x^n + 1)$$

$$R_q = R/qR = \mathbb{Z}_q[x]/(x^n + 1)$$

Def 3.5 Module-SIS

$$\text{m. d. } q > 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\beta > R$$

Given m indep \vec{a}_j sampled uniformly at random over R_q^d , forming columns of $A \in R_q^{d \times m}$

e.g.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{m1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1d} & \cdots & a_{md} \end{pmatrix}_{d \times m}$$

$$(\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_m)$$

the problem $M\text{-SIS}_{d,q,\beta,m}$ asks to find a $\vec{z} \setminus f_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ of norm $0 < \|\vec{z}\| < \beta$ st.

$$A\vec{z} = \sum_{i=1}^m z_i \vec{a}_i = \vec{0} \pmod{q}$$

- $n=1 \rightarrow R = \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow$ plain SIS.

- $d=1 \rightarrow R\text{-SIS}$

$$A = (a_1 \ \cdots \ a_m)_{1 \times m} = \vec{a}^T$$

$$A\vec{z} = \langle \vec{a}, \vec{z} \rangle$$

- R-SIS: PRob & LM06, before M-LWE.
- Also, inhom version & HNF ver for M-SIS.

Efficiency

$$\text{Rot}(A) \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{nd \times nm}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \text{Rot}(a_{11})_{nxn} & \cdots & \text{Rot}(a_{m1})_{nxn} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \text{Rot}(a_{1d})_{nxn} & \cdots & \text{Rot}(a_{md})_{nxn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow n \log_2 q \text{ bits} \\ \text{to store!} \end{array}$$

Rows = nd } $\mathbb{Z}_q^{nd \times nm}$
Columns: nm

- plain SIS : $(nd)(nm) \log_2 q$ bits to store
- M-SIS : $(ndm) \log_2 q$
- Also: FFT / NTT technique.

→ Compute $\sum_i a_{ij}$ (poly × poly) in $O(n \log n)$
 $\Rightarrow A \vec{z} \rightarrow \text{Compute}$ in $O(d m n \log_2 n)$

Hidden Structured Lattice

M-SIS $\xrightarrow{\text{problem}}$ defines an instance of Mod-SVP_r in random module lattice: $\xrightarrow{\text{lattice}}$

$$\Lambda_q^\perp(A) = \{ \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m : A\vec{y} = \vec{0} \bmod q \}$$

γ depends on norm β . \leftarrow why not \mathbb{R}^m ? (Similar Q for MLWE)

Hardness

wc to ac for suitable params

Thm 36 (see Thm 20 for plain SIS)

$\# m = \text{poly}(n)$, $d \in \mathbb{N}$, $\# \beta > 0$, $\# q \geq \beta \cdot \text{poly}(nd)$

Solving $M\text{-SIS}_{d,q,\beta,m}$ with $n\text{-ng proba}$ is ALAHA solving Mod-SIVP_γ on arbitrary $nd\text{-dim module lattices}$ w/ overwhelming proba, for some $\gamma = \beta \cdot \text{poly}(nd)$

E.g. [LS15] requires $q \geq \beta \cdot \sqrt{nd} \cdot w(\log nd)$

$$q \geq \beta \cdot \sqrt{nd} \cdot w(\sqrt{\log(nd)})$$

8.2. Module LWE

[BGV12], [LS15]

Def 37 M-LWE

$d, q > 0$ ints. x distr over \mathcal{R} . fixed secret $\vec{s} \in \mathcal{R}_q^d$

M-LWE distr $A_{\vec{s},x} \xleftarrow{r} \mathcal{R}_q^d \times \mathcal{R}_q$:

$$\vec{a} \leftarrow U(\mathcal{R}_q^d), e \leftarrow x$$

$$\text{out: } (\vec{a}, b = \langle \vec{s}, \vec{a} \rangle + e \bmod q)$$

Def 38 Search M-LWE

$m > 0$. Given m indep $(\vec{a}_i, b_i) \in \mathcal{R}_q^d \times \mathcal{R}_q$ from $A_{\vec{s},x}$ and $\vec{s} \leftarrow U(\mathcal{R}_q^d)$.

search-MLWE_{d,q,x,m} asks to find \vec{s}

• usually write $A \in \mathbb{R}_q^{m \times d}$ whose rows are given by \vec{a}_i .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{a}_1 & \rightarrow \\ \vec{a}_2 & \rightarrow \\ \vdots & \rightarrow \\ \vec{a}_m & \rightarrow \end{pmatrix}$$

Def 39 decision MLWE

$m > 0$. Given m indep (\vec{a}_i, b_i)

{ either from $A \vec{s}, \vec{x}$

or from $\mathcal{U}(\mathbb{R}_q^d \times \mathbb{R}_q)$

★ different from

M-SIS : $A \in \mathbb{R}_q^{d \times m}$

dec-MLWE_{d,q,x,m} asks to distinguish both cases w/ n-n proba.

• variants ✓ HNF form ✓ MLWR ✓

Hidden Structureel Lattice

M-LWE \rightarrow BDD (to module lattices) in

$$\mathcal{J}_{\mathbb{Z}_q}(A) = \{ \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m : \vec{y} = A\vec{s} \text{ mod } q \text{ for some } \vec{s} \in \mathbb{R}^d \}$$

\vec{b} : target point. $\vec{e} \leftarrow \vec{x}^m$: distance.

Hardness

WC to ac

Thm 40 [LS15] Thm 4.7.

For $\# m = \text{poly}(n)$. modulus $q \leq 2^{\text{poly}(n)}$. DGD x of size $\alpha q \geq 2\sqrt{d} \cdot W(\sqrt{\log n})$ ($0 < \alpha < 1$)

solving (Search/decision) M-LWE_{d,q,x,m} w/ nn

is ALAHA solving quantitatively the problem
Mod-GapSVP γ & Mod-SIVP γ on arbitrary n d
dim module lattices with ow proba.

for some $\gamma = \tilde{\mathcal{O}}(n\sqrt{d}/\alpha)$

- Later works:

[Bou+20]: dequantized this red. (only work for
Mod-GapSVP γ + large enough rank d)

[Bou+22b]: $x \in \text{unif } \{-\beta, \dots, \beta\}^n$

[LWW20] [Bou+22a]: entropic hardness.

[LS15]: M-LWE $\xrightarrow{\text{red}}$ Mod-SIVP γ for 2^n cyclotomics

[WW19]: \hookrightarrow for all cyclotomics

other ring structures

$\mathbb{Z}[x]/f(x)$. not all $f(x)$ suitable (performance /
security). see [Peilb].

8.3. Ring-LWE & R-SIS

- Recall

SIVP γ \rightarrow SIS for $\beta = \gamma \cdot \lambda_{\text{in}}(\mathcal{L})$

BDD \rightarrow SIVP γ \rightarrow LWE for some params

- module variants: difference bet M-SIS & M-LWE

①

For consistency of notation, let $A \in \mathbb{R}_q^{m \times d}$

M-SIS: $\lambda_q(A^T)$

$A^T \in \mathbb{R}_q^{d \times m} \rightarrow \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}_q^m : A\vec{y} = \vec{0} \bmod q$

M-LWE: $\lambda_q(A)$

$A \in \mathbb{R}_q^{m \times d} \rightarrow \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}_q^m :$

$\vec{y} = A\vec{s} \bmod q \text{ for some } \vec{s} \in \mathbb{R}^d$

② $d=1 \rightarrow$ Ring SIS/LWE

must: rank $m > 1$

if $m=1$

R-SIS: $a\vec{y} = \vec{0} \bmod q, a, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}_q$

no solution

decision R-LWE: vacuously hard

• NC to ac for rank 1

Id-SIVP $\not\equiv$ R-LWE / SIS

attacks vs. Id-SIVP $\not\equiv$ vs. R-LWE

less for M-LWE

8.4. "Subtle" over Number Fields

e.g. LHL.

In \mathbb{Z}_q : prime $q \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$ a field \rightarrow non-0 ele is a unit

In \mathbb{R}_q : prime $q \rightarrow$ may not be a field.

→ not every & ele is a unit.

Sol 1: [LWW20] restricts to NF & modulus that R_q is a F

↳ very strong

↳ may no q exists

e.g. m -th CNF requires at least $(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^\times$ is cycliz.
 2^n cyclotomics not the case

Sol 2: [Mic07] [Bou21] prove LHL from scratch.

Sol 3: DGD & Smoothing params of R [RSW18]

8.5 Fiat-Shamir w/ Abort Signatures

① FS Sig: \approx lattice ver Schnorr sig.

Below: [GLP12] → Dilithium

② GPV approach: hash-then-sign

Setting

$R_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[x]/(x^n + 1)$, $n = 2^k$. q prime s.t. $q \equiv 1 \pmod{2n}$

(good for NTT).

For $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$, let $A \leftarrow U(R_q^{k \times l})$ pub shared.

l : # of cols, k : # of rows \rightarrow const for diff ser level

let $H_C: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow C$

$C = \{c \in R : \|c\|_1 = d, \|c\|_\infty = 1\}$

be a RO with d st. $|C| > 2^\lambda$, $\lambda = \text{sec level}$

Let $s, p \in \mathbb{Z}$, msg space $M = \{0,1\}^*$

We rely on key set $S_p = \{a \in \mathbb{R} : \|a\|_\infty \leq p\}$

Let D a distr over \mathbb{R}^{l+k} providing vectors with norm $\leq B$ \rightarrow a rejection proba Pr_{rej}

Sig Sheme: $\Pi = (K\text{Gen}, \text{Sig}, Vf)$

KeyGen(1^λ)

sample $\vec{s} \leftarrow U(S_p^{l+k})$

set $sk = \vec{s} \rightarrow A \in \mathbb{R}_q^{k \times l}$

$vk = \vec{t} = [A | I_k] \cdot \vec{s} \in \mathbb{R}_q^k$

return (sk, vk)

Sig(sk, m)

Set $\vec{z} = \perp$

while $\vec{z} = \perp$ do:

sample $\vec{y} \leftarrow D$

set $\vec{u} = [A | I_k] \cdot \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}_q^k$

compute $c = H_c(\vec{u}, m) \in C$

Set $\vec{z} = \vec{s} \cdot c + \vec{y}$

with proba $1 - Pr_{\text{rej}}$ } rejection sampling:

Set $\vec{z} = \perp$ to make $D_{\vec{z}} \neq D_{\vec{s}}$

$$\|\vec{z}\|_2 > B \Rightarrow \text{reject}$$

return $\sigma = (\vec{u}, \vec{z})$

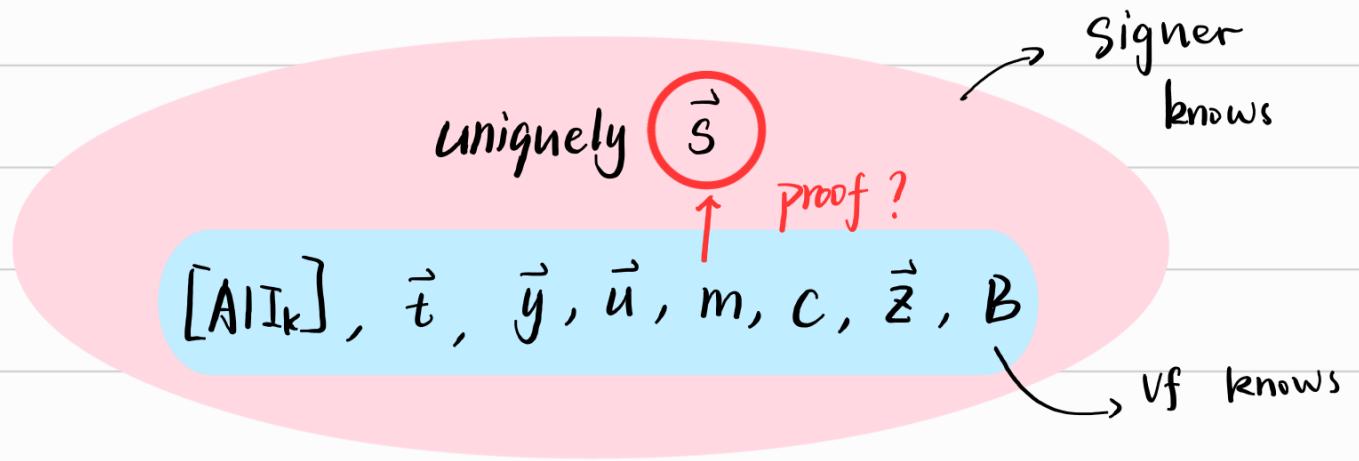
$Vf(vk, \sigma, m)$

re-construct $c = H_c(\vec{u}, m)$

$$\text{if } \|\vec{z}\|_2 < B \quad \& \quad [A|I_k] \cdot \vec{z} = \vec{t} \cdot c + \vec{u}$$

return 1

else return 0



$$[A|I_k] \vec{z} = [A|I_k] (\vec{s} \cdot c + \vec{y})$$

$$= [A|I_k] \vec{s} \cdot c + [A|I_k] \vec{y}$$

$$= \vec{t} \cdot c + \vec{u}$$

• params p, d, B & Pr_{req}

→ correct, secure, efficient.

Distr D

① DGD over R

$> Pr_{\text{req}} \checkmark B \checkmark$

② U over set of small norms

e.g. For $D = D_s^{k+l}$, dGid of width s

B: from tail bound

Recall

Lemma 2]: Let $s > 0$. $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

then $\Pr_{\vec{x} \leftarrow D_s} [\|\vec{x}\| > \sqrt{n}s] \leq 2^{-n}$

$\text{Pr}_{\text{req}} : \min(1, D_s^{k+l}(\vec{z}) / M \cdot D_{\vec{c}, \vec{s}, s}^{k+l}(\vec{z}))$

where M is a const depending on β . ($\|\vec{s}\| < \beta$)

and d ($\|\vec{c}\|_1 = d$)

Lattice Peculiarities

$\vec{s}, \vec{c}, \vec{y}$ are all short norm $\rightarrow \vec{z}$ easy to leak info
on $\vec{s} \rightarrow$ thus, rejection sampling

• Save size \rightarrow send \vec{c} rather than \vec{u}

Verify $H_c([\underbrace{A[I_k]}_{= \vec{u}} \vec{z} - \vec{t} \cdot \vec{c}, m) \stackrel{?}{=} c$

• reduce $k \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow R_q^k \rightarrow c$ is a poly w/ 3 coeffs
total bit length from $nk \log_2 q$ to $n \log_2 3$

Security.

• A high level proof of $\Pi = (\text{KeyGen}, \text{Sig}, \text{Vf})$

Step 1

- Modify signing alg \rightarrow doesn't depend on \vec{s}

origin: $\vec{z} = \vec{s} \cdot c + \vec{y}$ Now: $\vec{z} \leftarrow D$

$$c = H_c(\vec{u}, m) \quad c \leftarrow U(c)$$

only compute: $\vec{u} = [A|I_k] \vec{z} - \vec{t} \cdot c$

then: $H_c(\vec{u}, m)$

Δ with very small proba H_c has been queried on (\vec{u}, m) before.

Step 2

- Mod Key Gen \rightarrow \vec{s} from $S_{\beta'}^{l+k}$ with $\beta' > \beta$.

β' : high proba of existing multiple sols for a given \vec{t}

Assuming hardness of M-LWT \rightarrow both computationally close

If (\vec{z}_1, c_1) & (\vec{z}_2, c_2) for same msg & same \vec{u}

$$\Rightarrow [A|I_k] (\vec{z}_1 - c_1 \vec{s} - \vec{z}_2 + c_2 \vec{s}) = \vec{0}$$

\Rightarrow solves M-SIS.

9. NTRU

9.1 NTRU Problem

[HPS98] : intro NTRU

↳ Number Theory Research Unit

- a problem over random q -ary module lattice \rightarrow presumably Q#t resist
- reduction: see "On the hardness ..." by Alice & Damien in AsiaCrypt 2021.

For NTRU, $R = \mathbb{Z}[x]/(x^n - 1)$, n is any prime.

denote R_q^\times the elements of R_q that are invertible

(i.e. for $f \in R_q^\times$, $\exists f_q^{-1}$ st. $f \cdot f_q^{-1} = 1 \pmod{(x^n - 1, q)}$)

Def 41 NTRU distribution

$q > 0$ int. x distr over R_q

fixed $f \in R_q^\times$. NTRU distr $N_{f,x}$ over R_q is by

Sample $g \leftarrow x$

output $h = g/f \in R_q$

• f, g : small coeffs,

but not f^{-1}, h

Def 42 Search NTRU

$\beta > 0 \in \mathbb{R}$. Given $h \in R_q$ from $N_{f,x}$.

find: $(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ st. $\begin{cases} z_1 + hz_2 = 0 \pmod{q} \\ 0 < \| (z_1, z_2) \| \leq \beta \end{cases}$

- $\| (z_1, z_2) \|$: the norm of vector $[\tau(z_1) | \tau(z_2)]$
- quite like R-LWE in HNF

△ why not R-SIS? $A\vec{z} \equiv 0 \pmod{q} \rightarrow A\vec{s} + \vec{e} \equiv 0 \pmod{q}$

• Decision prob:

[LTV12]: "Decision Small Poly Ratio" (DSPR)

[Ste14]: "NTRU Decisional key Cracking"

Def 43 Decision NTRU

Given $h \in R_q$. decision-NTRU $_{q,x}$

distinguish: ① $h \leftarrow N_{f,x}$ for some random $f \in R_q^\times$
② $h \leftarrow U(R_q)$

Module variant.

[Chu+20]

old: sample ring elem g, f

new: matrices G, F

F invertible over R_q

$$\rightarrow \text{Output} : H = G \cdot F_q^{-1}$$

Hidden Structured Lattice

search-NTRU $\xrightarrow{\text{prob}}$ defn an inst of SVP $\xrightarrow{\text{prob}}$ (mod lattice of restriction)
 rank 2) in rd lattice $\xrightarrow{\text{L}}$

$$\Lambda_q^\perp(h) = \{(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : h \cdot z_1 + z_2 = 0 \pmod{q}\}$$

\rightarrow unique SVP

Multiple Samples

input: h_1, \dots, h_t

hidden lattice:

$$\Lambda_q^\perp(h_1, \dots, h_t) = \{(z_0, \dots, z_b) \in \mathbb{R}^{t+1} : h_j \cdot z_0 + z_j = 0 \pmod{q}, \forall j \in [t]\}$$

- mult samples + same f + proper params \rightarrow secure
 (for now)
- Small loss in concrete security. bc the gap in unique SVP gets slightly larger.

Hardness

- For $f, g \leftarrow \text{dGd}$ with $\epsilon > \sqrt{q}$ how large? depends on splitting degree.

→ decision NTRU: vacuously hard [SS11]
(bc $N_{f,x}$ gets stat close to U)

• [DW21]

For **overstretched** params, NTRU solvable in poly time
↳ $q = \text{subexp}(n)$

but for crypto: smaller q . → no efficient attacks

• [PS21]

variant of Search NTRU → SVP over Id lattices

• Still open.

① Search to decision?

② WC to ac reduction to decision NTRU?

NTRU to Ring-LWE

[Peiba]: **decision NTRU** → **Search R-LWE**

Given indep $h_i \in R_q$, fixed $s \cdot e_i$

Input: $(h_i, b_i) \rightarrow$ Search RLWE Oracle $\rightarrow \begin{cases} s & \rightarrow \text{"NTRU"} \\ \text{else} & \rightarrow \text{"Uniform"} \end{cases}$

- if $h_i \leftarrow U(R_q)$, so will be (h_i, b_i) for RLWE → correct
- if $h_i \leftarrow g_i/f$, then $b_i = (g_i \cdot s)/f + e_i$
→ info of S is hidden (theoretically), if χ_e of RLWE is sufficiently larger than Secret distr in NTRU

• possible hardness: Id-SVP or ModSVP (\geq rank 2)

Open problem: NTRU hardness

9.2. NTRU Encrypt

$n \cdot P \cdot Q > 0$ ints. st. P, Q prime & co-prime w/eo

$$L_f, L_g, L_\phi, L_m \subseteq \mathbb{Z}[x]/(x^n - 1)$$

↳ commonly: coeffs in $\{-1, 0, 1\}$

& fixed Hamming weight.

elem in L_f : $\text{inv} \pmod{P}$ & \pmod{Q}

$$\rightarrow \exists \text{ polys } F_P, F_Q, \text{ st. } f \cdot F_Q = 1 \in R_Q$$

$$f \cdot F_P = 1 \in R_P$$

keyGen

sample $f \leftarrow U(L_f), g \leftarrow U(L_g)$

compute F_P, F_Q st. $f \cdot F_Q = 1 \in R_Q$

$f \cdot F_P = 1 \in R_P$

return $sk = (f, F_P)$

$$pk = h = F_Q \cdot g \in R_Q$$

Enc

msg $m \in L_m$

sample $\phi \leftarrow U(L_\phi)$

$$\text{return } c = p\phi h + m \in R_Q$$

Dec

$$\text{return } m' = F_p \cdot (f \cdot c \bmod q) \bmod p$$

correctness

$$\begin{aligned} f \cdot c \bmod q &= f \cdot P\phi h + f \cdot m \bmod q \\ &= \underline{P\phi q + fm} \bmod q \end{aligned}$$

→ Coeffs all small. Can remove $\bmod q$

▮ Actually, P is not small. don't know if this affects

$$\begin{aligned} F_p \cdot (f \cdot c \bmod q) \bmod p &= F_p \cdot (P\phi q + fm) \bmod p \\ &= F_p fm \bmod p \\ &= m \bmod p \end{aligned}$$

Security

No security reduction for NTRU Encrypt.

Analyse the sec by attacks

e.g. recover secret key → search NTRU → rank-2 SVP.