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# **A Tool for the Estimation of Lattice Parameters**

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## **Abstract**

<Short summary of the thesis>



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# 1 Introduction

- rise of quantum computing (short history)
  - \* conceptual
  - \* reality
- problem: some hard classical problems no longer hard
  - \* Shor's Algorithm (Peter Shor, 1994) => quantum computers can solve the factoring and the discrete logarithm problem in polynomial time
  - \* application to encryption
  - \* overview of current encryption methods that will become insecure
- one solution (among hash-based, code-based, isogeny-based, and multivariate): lattice crypto
  - \* overview over history and capability of lattice crypto
  - \* advantages: good (quasilinear) asymptotic key sized, good concrete runtimes and key sizes, worst-case secure instantiations, advanced cryptographic primitives previously infeasible
  - \* including intro to LWE/SIS and applications to build crypto systems
    - . SIS: signature schemes, hash functions
    - . LWE: "cryptomania" applications (PKE, ...), signature schemes, lines:
- cryptographic applications
  - establishing theoretical and asymptotic hardness [Reg05] [BLP+13; MP13] - concrete hardness of LWE: attacks, runtime estimates,
    - \* briefly outline concept and benefits of hard-case to average-case reductions
  - purpose of this thesis
    - \* building schemes: need realistic hardness estimates of schemes for given parameter settings
    - \* lack in the past: no unified/easy to use tool => thesis aims to solve this problem tool we call *Lattice Parameter Estimation*
- overview of chapters/how to read





## 2 Preliminaries

### 2.1 Notation

In the following, we denote vectors by bold lower-case letters like  $\mathbf{v}$  and matrices by bold upper-case letters  $\mathbf{M}$ . Unless specified otherwise,  $\|\cdot\|$  is the Euclidean norm. By  $[n]$  we denote the set  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

### 2.2 Math

#### 2.2.1 Norms and Bounds

Let  $\mathcal{R}_q$  be a ring as defined in [BDL+18] and  $f \in \mathcal{R}_q$  with  $f = \sum_i f_i X^i$ . We define the following norms [BDL+18]:

$$(2.1) \quad \ell_1 : \|f\|_1 = \sum_i |f_i|$$

$$(2.2) \quad \ell_2 : \|f\|_2 = \left( \sum_i |f_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$(2.3) \quad \ell_\infty : \|f\|_\infty = \max_i |f_i|$$

Then the following inequations hold [BDL+18]:

$$(2.4) \quad \|f\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|f\|_2$$

$$(2.5) \quad \|f\|_1 \leq n \|f\|_\infty$$

$$(2.6) \quad \|f\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} \|f\|_\infty \quad (\text{since } \sqrt{n} \|f\|_2 \leq n \|f\|_\infty)$$

$$(2.7) \quad \|f\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_1$$

Let  $\mathcal{O}_K$  be the ring of integers of a number field  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is an algebraic number and  $\sigma$  denote the canonical embedding as defined in [DPSZ12]. Then, for  $x, y \in \mathcal{O}_K$  it holds the following inequations hold (we assume that  $C_m$  in [DPSZ12] is 1) [DPSZ12].

$$(2.8) \quad \|f\|_\infty \leq \|\sigma(f)\|_\infty$$

$$(2.9) \quad \|\sigma(f)\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_1$$

From the above inequations, we obtain the following norm transformations to  $\ell_p$ -norms:

- From Equation (2.4), it follows that  $\|f\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n}\|f\|_2$  and from Equation (2.5),  $\|f\|_1 \leq n\|f\|_\infty$ .
- From Equation (2.6) and Equation (2.7), it follows that  $\|f\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n}\|f\|_1$  and from Equation (2.6),  $\|f\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n}\|f\|_\infty$ .
- From Equation (2.7), it follows that  $\|f\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_1$  and from Equation (2.4) and Equation (2.7),  $\|f\|_\infty \leq \sqrt{n}\|f\|_2$ .
- From Equation (2.9), it follows that  $\|\sigma(f)\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_1$ , from Equation (2.4) and Equation (2.9),  $\|\sigma(f)\|_\infty \leq \sqrt{n}\|f\|_2$ , and from Equation (2.5) and Equation (2.9),  $\|\sigma(f)\|_\infty \leq n\|f\|_\infty$ .

Likewise, we get the following transformations to the  $C_\infty$ -norm:

- From Equation (2.5) and Equation (2.8), it follows that  $\|f\|_1 \leq n\|\sigma(f)\|_\infty$ .
- From Equation (2.6) and Equation (2.8), it follows that  $\|f\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n}\|\sigma(f)\|_\infty$ .
- From Equation (2.8), it follows that  $\|f\|_\infty \leq \|\sigma(f)\|_\infty$ .

Let  $f$  be defined as above and let  $g \in \mathcal{R}_q$  where  $g = \sum_i \bar{g}_i X^i$  where  $g_i \in [-(q-1)/2, (q-1)/2]$  and  $\bar{g}_i = g_i \bmod q$  as in [BDL+18]. Then, we can define the following inequations for multiplication according to [BDL+18]:

- If  $\|f\|_\infty \leq \beta$ ,  $\|g\|_1 \leq \gamma$  then  $\|f \cdot g\|_\infty \leq \beta \cdot \gamma$ .
- If  $\|f\|_2 \leq \beta$ ,  $\|g\|_2 \leq \gamma$  then  $\|f \cdot g\|_\infty \leq \beta \cdot \gamma$ .

Let  $x, y \in \mathcal{O}_K$ . Again, we assume that  $C_m = 1$ . Then, the following inequation holds according to [DPSZ12]:

$$(2.10) \quad \|x \cdot y\|_\infty \leq C_m \cdot n^2 \cdot \|x\|_\infty \cdot \|y\|_\infty$$

$$(2.11) \quad \|\sigma(x \cdot y)\|_\infty \leq \|\sigma(x)\|_\infty \cdot \|\sigma(y)\|_\infty.$$

### 2.2.2 lattice

- background and history: example from lecture -> change

- \* Birhoff [Bir40]
- \* cryptanalysis [LLL82]
- \* cryptosystems [Ajt96, HPS98] SIS introduced Ajtai [Ajt96]
- \* [MR04]
- \* LWE, assumption: worst-case lattice problems are hard [Reg05]
- \* fully homomorphic [Gen09]
- \* BGV scheme [BV11, BGV12]
- \* tools [LPR10, LPR13] ideal lattices, RLWE

Other Notes: - PKE [AD97; Reg03; Reg05], CCA security [Pei09; PW08], identity-based encryption [ABB10; CHK01; GPV08], fully homomorphic [Gen09] - , LWE introduced by [Reg05] "provably as hard as certain lattice problems in worst case, appear to require time exponential in main security parameter to solve NTRU [HPS98] -  $q$ -ary lattice: modulus  $q \geq 2$

- math \* lattice  $\Lambda$

- discrete additive subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}^m$

- Let  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be a set of linearly independent basis vectors and  $\mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  be the corresponding basis with column vectors  $\mathbf{b}_i$

-  $n$  is the dimension of the Lattice

-  $\Lambda(\mathbf{B})$  defined by all integer combinations of elements of  $\mathbf{B}$ :

$$(2.12) \quad \Lambda(\mathbf{B}) = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{Z} : \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{b}_i \right\}$$

- show example plot

- full-ranked lattice: dimension is maximal,  $m$

- basis  $\mathbf{B}$  is not unique -> let  $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n \times n}$  be a modular matrix (determinant is  $\pm 1$ ), then  $\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{U}$  is also a basis of the  $\Lambda$  ( $\mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbb{Z}^n = \mathbb{Z}^n$ ) -> different basis for the same lattice  $\Lambda$

- lattice coset: quotient group  $\mathbb{R}^n / \Lambda$  of cosets

$$\mathbf{c} + \Lambda = \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{v} \mid \mathbf{v} \in \Lambda$$

with  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

- fundamental domain: subset of  $\mathbb{R}^m$  containing exactly one representative of every coset

- fundamental parallelepiped :  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{B} \cdot [-1/2, 1/2]^n = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i \mathbf{b}_i, \gamma_i \in [-1/2, 1/2] \}$   
every coset has representative

- determinant of a full-ranked lattice  $\Lambda(\mathbf{B})$

$$(2.13) \quad \det(\Lambda(\mathbf{B})) = |\det(\mathbf{B})|$$

is well-defined (independent from basis) => volume of fundamental domain can be generalized to not full-ranked =>  $\det(\Lambda(\mathbf{A})) = \sqrt{\det(\mathbf{A}^\perp \mathbf{A})}$

\* minimum distance of  $\lambda_1(\Lambda)$  of a lattice is the length of its shortest nonzero vector, i.e.  $\lambda_1(\Lambda) = \min_{\mathbf{v} \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} \|\mathbf{v}\|$  \*  $i$ th successive minimum  $\lambda_i(\Lambda)$

- smallest radius  $r$  such that  $\Lambda$  has  $i$  linearly independent lattice vectors of norm at most  $r$

- in general hard to calculate  $\lambda_i(\Lambda(\mathbf{B}))$  for a given basis

\* modular integer (or  $q$ -ary) lattices

- full-ranked lattice  $\Lambda$  such that  $q\mathbb{Z}^m \subseteq \Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^m$  given  $q \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow$  if  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  in  $\Lambda$  then  $\mathbf{x} \bmod q$  also in  $\Lambda$ .

- can be specified in two ways by matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n}$ :

$$(2.14) \quad \Lambda_q(\mathbf{A}) = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^m \mid \exists y \in \mathbb{Z}^n : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} \pmod{q}\}$$

or

$$(2.15) \quad \Lambda_q^\perp(\mathbf{A}) = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^m \mid \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{x} = 0 \pmod{q}\}$$

- finding a short vector in  $\Lambda_q(\mathbf{A})$  corresponds to LWE

- finding short vectors in  $\Lambda_q^\perp(\mathbf{A})$  corresponds to SIS

- easy to find basis of  $\Lambda_q(\mathbf{A})$  [AFG13]

- with high probability determinant of  $q$ -ary lattice is  $\det(\Lambda_q(\mathbf{A})) = q^{m-n}$  if  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n}$

\* Gram-Schmidt basis

- set of column vectors  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n}$ ,  $\pi_{\text{span}(\mathbf{B})}(\mathbf{t})$  for projection of vector  $\mathbf{t}$  unto span of vectors of  $\mathbf{B}$

-  $\pi_{\text{span}(\mathbf{B})}(\mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{B})^{-1} \mathbf{B}^\top \cdot \mathbf{t}$

- Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} = [\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_1 \cdots \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_n]$  of basis  $\mathbf{B}$ :  $\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i = \mathbf{b}_i - \pi_{\text{span}(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{i-1})}(\mathbf{b}_i)$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

Alternative: Let  $\mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{b}_1 \cdots \mathbf{b}_n]$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q^m$  be a basis. Define  $\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i$  as follows:  $\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_1 = \mathbf{b}_1$ . For  $i \in \{2, \dots, n\}$  let  $\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i$  be the component of  $\mathbf{b}_i$  that is orthogonal to the span of  $\{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{i-1}\}$ . Then,  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} = [\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_1 \cdots \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_n]$  is called the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization of basis  $\mathbf{B}$  where  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\| \leq \|\mathbf{b}_i\|$ .

\* dual of a lattice is "the set of points whose inner products with the vectors in the lattice are integers"  $\Lambda^\perp := \{\mathbf{w} \mid \langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } \mathbf{v} \in \Lambda\}$

\* smoothing lemma

\* Voronoi region The fundamental Voronoi region  $\mathcal{V}$  is defined as

$$(2.16) \quad \mathcal{V} = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \forall \mathbf{y} \in \Lambda : \|\mathbf{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|\}$$

\* Linear Code [Van12] Let  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$  be the  $n$ -dimensional vector space over the field  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . A  $q$ -ary linear code  $C$  or  $[n, k]$ -code is a  $k$ -dimensional linear subspace of  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$  such that

- $\mathbf{0} \in C$ ,
- if  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in C$ , then  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in C$ ,
- and if  $\mathbf{x} \in C$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_q$ , then  $\gamma \mathbf{x} \in C$ .

There are  $q^k$  different codewords in  $C$ .

Let  $C$  be a  $q$ -ary linear  $[n, k]$ -code. The lattice over  $C$  is defined as

$$(2.17) \quad \Lambda(C) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \exists \mathbf{y} \in C : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} \pmod{q}\}.$$

Similarly, for a lattice  $\Lambda(\mathbf{B})$  a lattice code  $C$  defined by  $\Lambda(\mathbf{B})$  and a shaping region  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  (e.g. the Voronoi region) is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that all codewords are lattice vectors in  $\Lambda(\mathbf{B})$  within the region  $\mathcal{V}$  [SFS08]:

$$(2.18) \quad C' = \{x \in \Lambda(\mathbf{B}) \mid x \in \mathcal{V}\}.$$

We define  $\text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, \Lambda(\mathbf{B}))$  where  $\Lambda(\mathbf{B}) \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  as the distance of some vector  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  to the closest lattice vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \Lambda(\mathbf{B})$ , i.e.

$$(2.19) \quad \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, \Lambda(\mathbf{B})) = \min_{\mathbf{v} \in \Lambda(\mathbf{B})} \|\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}\|.$$

- Lattice problems

- \* Minkowski theorem: Let  $\Lambda$  be a lattice of dimension  $n$ , then  $\lambda_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \cdot (\det \Lambda)^{\frac{1}{n}}$
  - \* Lattice reduction: find short basis compared to  $\lambda_1(\Lambda)$ ...
  - \* SVP: given a basis  $\mathbf{B}$  of lattice  $\Lambda$  find shortest nonzero lattice vector  $\Rightarrow v \in \Lambda$  s.t.  $\|v\| = \lambda_1(\Lambda)$
  - \* SVP $_\gamma$ : given a basis  $\mathbf{B}$  of lattice  $\Lambda$  find  $v \in \Lambda$  s.t.  $0 < \|v\| \leq \gamma \lambda_1(\Lambda)$
  - \*  $\alpha$ -Approximate SVP: vector of length  $\alpha \lambda_1$
  - \* GAPSV $P_\gamma$  (decision version of SVP): "given basis  $\mathbf{B}$  of  $n$ -dimensional lattice  $\Lambda$  with either  $\lambda_1 \Lambda \leq 1$  or  $\lambda_1 \Lambda \geq \gamma(n)$ , decide which is the case"
  - \* CVP $_\gamma$ : given basis  $\mathbf{B}$  of  $n$ -dimensional lattice  $\Lambda$  and target  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  find point in lattice that is close to  $\mathbf{t} \Rightarrow$  find  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\|\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}\| < \gamma \min_{\mathbf{v}' \in \Lambda} \|\mathbf{v}' - \mathbf{v}\|$
  - \* SIVP (shortest independent vector problem): given basis  $\mathbf{B}$  of  $n$ -dimensional lattice  $\Lambda$ , find  $n$  linearly independent lattice vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n \in \Lambda(\mathbf{B})$  such that  $\max_i \|\mathbf{v}_i\|$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  is minimal
  - \* BDD $_\gamma$ : given basis  $\mathbf{B}$  of  $n$ -dimensional lattice  $\Lambda$  and target  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, \Lambda) < d) \lambda_1(\Lambda) / (2\gamma(n))$ , find unique lattice vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \Lambda$  such that  $\|\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}\| < d$
  - \* ideal lattice (do I need that?)
  - \* ...?
  - \* eher die Sachen für LWE/SIS als die Sachen für Algorithmen (analog Vorlesung), evtl.
- Intuition für die anderen Sachen... Solving SVP with approximation factors: - 1  $\Rightarrow$  NP-hard [Ajt98]  
 -  $\tilde{O}(n) \Rightarrow$  OWF [Ajt96; MR04] -  $2^{n \log \log n / \log n}$  and  $2^{n/2}$  in Poly-time [LLL82]  $\Rightarrow$  best known  $2^k$ -approx in  $2^{\tilde{O}(n/k)}$  time (even quantum!)

### 2.2.3 distributions

- Gaussian, def, component-wise, trafo to bound

\* definition: discrete Gaussian distribution over  $q$ -ary lattice  $\Lambda$  with Gaussian width parameter  $s > 0$  and center  $\mathbf{c}$ , denoted by  $D_{\Lambda, s, \mathbf{c}}$ : probability of sampling a vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \Lambda$  is proportional to  $e^{-\pi \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}\|^2 / s^2}$ . In order to avoid confusion, throughout this work and in the *Lattice Parameter Estimation* we use  $\sigma$  to denote the standard deviation, where  $\sigma = \frac{s}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$ , and define  $\alpha := \frac{s}{q} = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}{q}$ .

\* better definition in GPV08 => different definition needed for LWE??? \* how to do this? => variant of Babai's "nearest-plane" algorithm, see [GPV08]

\* component-wise

For some applications, we receive a Gaussian distribution as input, but require a bound in some norm in order to estimate the hardness of SIS. Hence, we need to transform the Gaussian width parameter into a bound  $\beta$  given some security parameter  $\text{sec}$ . Note that a  $n$ -dimensional Gaussian can be sampled by sampling  $n$  independent 1-dimensional Gaussians.

For a Gaussian distribution, the following holds:

$$(2.20) \quad \Pr[|X| \geq \beta] \leq 2e^{-\pi\beta^2/s^2}$$

We demand  $2e^{-\pi\beta^2/s^2} \approx 2^{-\text{sec}}$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} 2e^{-\pi\beta^2/s^2} &\approx 2^{-\text{sec}} \\ -\pi\frac{\beta^2}{s^2} &\approx (-\text{sec} - 1) \ln(2) \\ \beta &\approx s \sqrt{\frac{(\text{sec} + 1) \ln(2)}{\pi}} \end{aligned}$$

\* smoothing factor here?

\* Uniform (stuff I use in tool)

## 2.3 LWE and SIS

Applications: SIS can be used for one-way functions and collision-resistant hashing. LWE can be used to build pseudo-random number generators, public-key encryption schemes and oblivious transfer and secure MPC. Lattice Trapdoors (trapdoor functions, digital signatures)? Punctured Trapdoors (identity-based encryption, attribute-based encryption, predicate encryption)?

### 2.3.1 LWE

Following based on [Reg10]:

Introduced by Regev in [Reg09] Origin: work of Ajtai and Dwork [AD97], first public-key cryptosystem based on worst-case lattice problems, simplifications/improvements [GGH97; Reg03] imply hardness result for LWE. Early work: hardness based on unique-SVP, Peikert [Pei09] and Lyubashevsky and Micciancio [LM09] show that unique-SVP is essentially equivalent to  $\text{GapSVP}$ .

- ‘cryptomania’ applications: public-key encryption schemes under chosen-plaintext attacks [KTX07; PVW08; Reg05], and chosen-ciphertext attacks [Pei09; PW08], oblivious transfer protocols [PVW08], identity-based encryption (IBE) schemes [ABB10; CHKP10; GPV08], leakage-resilient encryption [ACPS09; AGV09; DGK+10; GKPV10], and more

- most important: fully homomorphic encryption schemes [Bra12; BV11; Gen09; GSW13]

Intuition: “recover  $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$  given sequence of ‘approximate’ random linear equations on  $\mathbf{s}$ ”

Formal Definition:

**Definition 2.3.1 (LWE Distribution [Reg10])**

For  $n \geq 1$ , modulus  $q \geq 2$ , error distribution  $\chi$  on  $\mathbb{Z}_q$ , and a fixed secret vector  $\mathbf{s}$ , let  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{s},\chi}$  be the probability distribution over  $\mathbb{Z}_q^n \times \mathbb{Z}_q$  by choosing a vector  $\mathbf{a}_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$  uniformly at random,  $e_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q$  according to  $\chi$  and returning pairs of  $(\mathbf{a}_i, \langle \mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{s} \rangle + e_i \bmod q) \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n \times \mathbb{Z}_q$ .

Additions are performed in  $\mathbb{Z}_q$ . We say that an algorithm solves LWE with modulus  $q$  and error distribution  $\chi$  if, for any  $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$ , given an arbitrary number of independent samples from  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{s},\chi}$  it outputs  $\mathbf{s}$  (with high probability). For  $q = 2$  corresponds to *learning parity with noise* (LPN) problem.

**Definition 2.3.2 (Search-LWE $_{n,q,m,\chi}$ )**

Search-LWE $_{n,q,m,\chi}$  asks for the recovery of the secret vector  $\mathbf{s}$  given  $m$  independent samples  $(\mathbf{a}_i, z_i) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{s},\chi}$

**Definition 2.3.3 (Decision-LWE $_{n,q,m,\chi}$ )**

Given  $m$  samples, Search-LWE $_{n,q,m,\chi}$  asks to distinguish whether the samples were drawn from  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{s},\chi}$  or from a uniform distribution on  $\mathbb{Z}_q^n \times \mathbb{Z}_q$ .

#### LWE as a Decoding Problem

We request  $m$  samples  $(\mathbf{a}_1, z_1), \dots, (\mathbf{a}_m, z_m)$  where  $z_i = \langle \mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{s} \rangle + e_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q$ . Let  $A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \cdots \mathbf{a}_m]$ ,  $\mathbf{z} = [z_1, \dots, z_m]^\top$  and  $\mathbf{e} = [e_1, \dots, e_m]^\top$ . Hence, we can reformulate LWE as a decoding problem as in [GJS15]:

$$(2.21) \quad \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e}$$

with generator matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  for a linear code over  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  as the received word. Finding the secret vector  $\mathbf{s}$  is equivalent to finding the codeword  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{s}$  with minimum distance  $\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z}\|$ .

An  $\text{LWE}_{n,q,m,\chi}$  instance with a secret vector  $\mathbf{s}$  chosen according to a uniform distribution can be transformed into an  $\text{LWE}_{n,q,m-n,\chi}$  instance with a secret vector  $\hat{\mathbf{s}}$  chosen according to the error distribution  $\chi$  at a loss of  $n$  samples as follows: Let  $\mathbf{A}_0 = [\mathbf{a}_1 \cdots \mathbf{a}_n]$  where  $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$  are the first  $n$  columns of  $\mathbf{A}$ . We introduce new variables  $\hat{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{A}_0^\top \mathbf{s} - [z_1, \dots, z_n]^\top = [e_0, \dots, e_n]^\top$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{A}_0^{-1} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{I} \ \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{n+1} \cdots \hat{\mathbf{a}}_m]$  and compute  $\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{z} - \hat{\mathbf{A}}^\top [z_1, \dots, z_n]^\top = [\mathbf{0}, \hat{z}_{n+1} \cdots \hat{z}_m]^\top$ .

### LWE as a BDD Problem

Solving LWE also corresponds to solving the *Bounded Distance Decoding problem* (BDD) in the lattice  $\Lambda(\mathbf{A}^\top) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^m \mid \exists \mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{s} \pmod{q}\}$ , where the  $m$  columns of  $\mathbf{A}$  correspond to the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$  of  $m$  independent LWE samples  $(\mathbf{a}_i, z_i) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{s},\chi}$  and the components  $z_i$  correspond to a perturbed lattice point in  $\Lambda(\mathbf{A}^\top)$ .

Best algorithm to solve LWE: Blum, Kalai, and Wasserman [BKW03] with  $2^{O(n)}$  samples and time.

Hardness: best algorithm exponential, extension of LPN (LPN believed to be hard), hard assuming worst-case hardness of  $\text{GapSVP}$  and  $\text{SIVP}$  [Pei09; Reg05]. More details? Different cases for  $q$  exponential/polynomial, approximation factors... Hardness based on worst-case lattice problems  $\Rightarrow$  strong security guarantees, such as conjectured security against quantum computers...

Search to decision reduction  $\Rightarrow$  distinguishing is LWE samples from uniform samples sufficient, worst-case to average-case reduction  $\Rightarrow$  sufficient to solve distinguishing for uniform secret

### 2.3.2 Short Integer Solution (SIS)

The dual problem to LWE is the *Short Integer Solution problem* (SIS).

- principle: given a set of set of uniformly random vectors  $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$  find a subset of them or combination with small coefficients that sums to zero (modulo  $q$ ).

- introduced in [MR04], origins in [Ajt96], used for ‘minicrypt’ primitives: one-way functions [Ajt96], collision resistant hash functions [GGH96], digital signature schemes [CHKP10; GPV08], and identification schemes [KTX07; Lyu08; MV03]

#### Definition 2.3.4 (SIS Problem (Adapted from [LS15], Definition 3.1))

)] The problem  $\text{SIS}_{n,q,m,\beta}$  is defined as follows: Given a uniformly random matrix  $\mathbf{A}^{n \times m}$ , find a vector  $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^m$  such that  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{0} \pmod{q}$  and  $0 < \|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \beta$ .

Finding such a vector corresponds to finding a short lattice vector in costets of the lattice  $\Lambda^\perp(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{y} \pmod{q}\}$

Hardness: for any poly-bounded  $m, \beta$  and for “large enough” prime  $q$ :  $\text{SIS}_{n,q,m,\beta}$  is as hard as worst-case approx-SIVP (and  $\text{GapSVP}$ ) to within  $\beta \cdot \tilde{O}(\sqrt{n})$  factor



### 2.3.3 Ring and Module Variants

- problem key sizes in LWE/SIS in  $O(n^2)$  (matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n}$ ), where  $m \in \Omega(n)$ )
- idea: introduce some sort of a structure in samples:  $n$  power of two,  $\mathbf{a}$  vectors in groups of size  $n$ , for each group  $\mathbf{a}_1 = [a_1, \dots, a_n]^\top$ ,  $a_i$  are uniformly random in  $\mathbb{Z}_q$ , and  $\mathbf{a}_i = [a_i, \dots, a_n, -a_1, \dots, -a_{i-1}]^\top$ . Hence,  $n$  vectors only need  $O(n)$  memory, also speedups in operations by using FFT
- formally: vectors are elements of the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_q[x] / \langle x^n + 1 \rangle$  which we call  $\mathcal{R}_q$  instead of the group  $\mathbb{Z}_q^n$ ,  $n$  power of two ensures that  $x^n + 1$  is irreducible over the rationals
- add more?

**Definition 2.3.5 (Ring-SIS Problem [[LS15], Definition 3.3])**

)] The problem  $\text{RSIS}_{n,q,m,\beta}$  is defined as follows: Given  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathcal{R}_q$  chosen independently from the uniform distribution, find  $s_1, \dots, s_n \in \mathcal{R}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^m a_i \cdot s_i = 0 \pmod q$  and  $0 < \|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \beta$ , where  $\mathbf{s} = [s_1, \dots, s_m]^\top \in \mathcal{R}^m$ .

**Definition 2.3.6 (Module-SIS Problem [[LS15], Definition 3.3])**

)] The problem  $\text{MSIS}_{n,d,q,m,\beta}$  is defined as follows: Given  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathcal{R}_q^d$  chosen independently from the uniform distribution, find  $s_1, \dots, s_n \in \mathcal{R}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^m a_i \cdot s_i = 0 \pmod q$  and  $0 < \|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \beta$ , where  $\mathbf{s} = [s_1, \dots, s_m]^\top \in \mathcal{R}^m$ .

While there exist special cases where the Ring structure of problem instances can be exploited in an attack on LWE or SIS, in general, the hardness of Ring and Module variants is estimated by interpreting the coefficients of elements of  $\mathcal{R}_q$  as vectors in  $\mathbb{Z}_q^n$  [ACD+18]. We thus reduce Ring and Module instances as follows:

- $\text{RLWE}_{n,q,m,\chi} \longrightarrow \text{LWE}_{n,q,m \cdot n,\chi}$
- $\text{MLWE}_{n,d,q,m,\chi} \longrightarrow \text{LWE}_{n \cdot d,q,m \cdot n,\chi}$
- $\text{RSIS}_{n,q,m,\beta} \longrightarrow \text{SIS}_{n,q,m \cdot n,\beta}$
- $\text{MSIS}_{n,d,q,m,\beta} \longrightarrow \text{SIS}_{n \cdot d,q,m \cdot n,\beta}$

Note that in the Ring and Module variants  $n$  denotes the degree of the polynomial of the underlying Ring, while in the standard variant,  $n$  denotes the dimension of the secret.



## 3 Algorithms and Estimates

### 3.1 Lattice Basis Reduction

- measure quality of basis: Hermite factor

\* basis  $\mathbf{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m\}$ ,  $m$ -dimensional lattice  $\Lambda(\mathbf{B})$  has Hermite factor  $\delta$  if

$$(3.1) \quad \|\mathbf{b}_1\| \approx \delta^m \det(\Lambda)^{1/m}$$

\* use Geometric Series Assumption (GSA) to obtain estimates for  $\mathbf{b}_i$ :

$$(3.2) \quad \|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\| \approx \alpha^{i-1} \|\mathbf{b}_1\|$$

for  $0 < \alpha < 1$  Equation (3.1) into Equation (3.2)  $\rightarrow \|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\| \approx \alpha^{i-1} \delta^m \det(\Lambda)^{1/m}$  with  $\prod_{i=1}^m \|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\| = \det(\Lambda)$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^m \|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\| &\approx \prod_{i=1}^m \alpha^{i-1} \delta^m \det(\Lambda)^{1/m} \\ \Leftrightarrow \det(\Lambda) &\approx \delta^{2m} \det(\Lambda) \prod_{i=1}^m \alpha^{i-1} \\ \Leftrightarrow \delta^{-m^2} &\approx \alpha^{\frac{m(m-1)}{2}} \\ \Leftrightarrow \delta^{-2} &\approx \alpha^{(m-1)/m} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\alpha \approx \delta^{-2}$  and

$$(3.3) \quad \|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\| \approx \delta^{-2(i-1)+m} \det(\Lambda)^{1/m}$$

\* good basis  $\rightarrow$  first Gram-Schmidt vectors become shorter (latter longer)

\*  $\delta = 1.01$  feasible,  $\delta = 1.007$  seems infeasible for now

\* gap between provable and experimental cost estimate to reach some hermite  $\delta \Rightarrow$  provable results only give upper bounds, for practical security we need lower bound  $\Rightarrow$  combine theoretical results with experimental results

\* well-established estimate [LP11]

### 3.1.1 Cost Models for Lattice Reduction

Just insert a table and reference somewhere else? Warum notwendig, wie kommt man darauf? ...  
alg laufen lassen, extrapolieren...

## 3.2 LWE

### 3.2.1 Approaches

Distinguishing attacks (MR09, RS10): distinguish (with noticeable advantage) LWE instance from uniformly random  $\Rightarrow$  break semantic security of LWE-based cryptosystem with same advantage (typically), find short nonzero integral vector  $\mathbf{v}$  s.t.  $\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{v} = 0 \pmod{q} \Rightarrow$  short vector in (scaled) dual of LWE lattice  $\Lambda(\mathbf{A})$  then test whether  $\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{z} \rangle$  is close to zero mod  $q$ . If uniform test accepts with prob  $1/2$ , if LWE with parameter  $s$ ,  $\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{z} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{e} \rangle \pmod{q}$ , Gaussian mod  $q$  with parameter  $\|\mathbf{v}\| \cdot s$ . If that's not much larger than  $q$ , advantage for distinguishing very close to  $\exp(-\pi(\|\mathbf{v}\|s/q)^2)$ . high confidence needs  $\|\mathbf{v}\| \leq q/(2s)$  advantage and computational effort need to be balanced (often inverse distinguishing advantage is in total cost of attack)

### SIS

rewrite LWE as the problem of finding short vector in dual lattice  $\Rightarrow$  SIS

### BDD

lattice reduction algorithms solve SIS and BDD

### Direct

- algebraic approach Arora and Ge with subexponential complexity when  $\sigma \leq \sqrt{n}$ , else fully exponential, mainly of asymptotic interest (higher complexity than others)
- combinatorial algorithms: BKW as basis [BKW03], resembles generalized birthday approach by Wagner, originally for solving LPN, can be analyzed  $\Rightarrow$  explicit complexity for different LWE instances, theoretical analysis and actual performance close, very memory expensive (often same order as time complexity)

### 3.2.2 Algorithms in Estimator

#### BKW [BKW03]

- BKW by Blum, Kalai and Wasserman [BKW03] to solve Learning Parity with Noise problem (LPN), subproblem of LWE - applied to LWE in [ACF+15] (original paper appeared in 2013) - time and space complexity  $2^{O(n)}$  for LWE with prime modulus  $q \in \text{poly}(n)$  - Various improvements have been suggested since. For example, [AFFP14] and [KF15] use modulus switching for binary-LWE and other small secret variants [AFFP14] and [DTV15] applies multidimensional Fourier transformations.

modified BKW step  $\rightarrow$  coded-BKW step to cancel out more positions in the  $\mathbf{a}$  vectors than traditional BKW step

map part of  $\mathbf{a}$  vector into nearest codeword in lattice code (linear code over  $\mathbb{Z}_q$ , Euclidean distance)

introduces some noise, can be kept small by appropriate parameters

pair of  $\mathbf{a}$  vectors map to same codeword  $\Rightarrow$  add together to create new sample with part of  $\mathbf{a}$  vector cancelled

samples are input to next step in BKW procedure

additional steps using discrete FFT

slightly modified for BINARY-LWE (secret vector uniformly chosen from  $\{0, 1\}^n$ ) greatly increases performance

In the following, we present an outline of the original BKW algorithm. The steps in Algorithm 1 are inspired by the textual description in [GJS15] with minor adjustments in notation.

For the algorithm, we use the matrix notation of LWE as in Equation (2.21), i.e.  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e}$ . BKW consists of a series of BKW steps that iteratively reduce the dimension of input matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  by finding collisions of its column vectors in the currently examined block of  $b$  entries. We start from the last  $b$  entries of  $\mathbf{A}^{(1)} = \mathbf{A}$ . In every step  $i$ , we maintain a collision table  $\mathbf{T}^{(i)}$  and loop over the columns  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  of  $\mathbf{A}^{(i)}$  and distinguish between the following cases: (1) If  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  only has zero entries in the examined block, pass  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  and  $z_k^{(i)}$  to the next step, (2) if no match of  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  or the negation of  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  can be found in the collision table, add  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  to the collision table, and (3) if a match  $\mathbf{a}_l^{(i)}$  is found, compute  $\mathbf{a}_l^{(i)} + \mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  or in the case of a negation match  $\mathbf{a}_l^{(i)} - \mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  (in  $\mathbb{Z}_q$ ) such that the last  $b$  nonzero entries cancel out. By exploiting the symmetry of  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  in this way, in every step we obtain at most  $(q^b - 1)/2$  columns with distinct coefficients in the current  $b$  entries. We also make note of “observed symbols”  $z_j^{(i)}$  that represent the combination of two samples given their respective matching columns (see lines 20, 24 for more details).

In each BKW step, the number of columns (and samples) decreases by at least  $(q^b - 1)/2$  (size of the collision set) and the variance of the error distribution  $\sigma^2$  increases by a factor of two. Once the number of remaining nonzero rows of  $\mathbf{A}$  is small enough, the remaining part of the secret vector  $\mathbf{s}$  is guessed. A hypothesis test ensures that the remaining samples follow a Gaussian with noise  $2^t \cdot \sigma^2$ , where  $t$  is the number of steps. Finally, back substitution is applied to obtain the complete secret vector  $\mathbf{s}$ .

**Algorithm 1: BKW**


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1 function BKW( $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{z}, t$ )
2    $i = 1$ 
3    $\mathbf{A}^{(i)} = \mathbf{A}$ 
4    $\mathbf{z}^{(i)} = \mathbf{z}$ 
5   while the last  $t$  coefficients of the columns of  $\mathbf{A}^{(i)}$  are nonzero do
6     // BKW step
7      $j = 1$ 
8      $\mathbf{T}^{(i)} = []$  // Collision table
9     for  $k = 1, \dots, m^{(i)}$  do
10      //  $m^{(i)}$  is number of columns in  $\mathbf{A}^{(i)}$ 
11      if last  $(i \cdot b)$  coefficients of  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  are zero then
12         $\mathbf{a}_j^{(i+1)} = \mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$ 
13         $z_j^{(i+1)} = z_k$ 
14         $j = j + 1$ 
15      else if no match for  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  in  $\mathbf{T}$  then
16         $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{T} + [\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}]$  // append to collision set
17      else if match  $\mathbf{a}_l^{(i)}$  for  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  is found then
18        if  $\mathbf{a}_l^{(i)}$  matches  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  in the last  $(i \cdot b)$  components then
19           $\mathbf{a}_j^{(i+1)} = \mathbf{a}_k^{(i)} - \mathbf{a}_l^{(i)}$ ; // last  $i \cdot b$  coefficients of  $\mathbf{a}_j^{(i+1)}$  are now zero
20           $z_j^{(i+1)} = z_k^{(i)} - z_l^{(i)} = y_j^{(i)} + e_j^{(i)}$ , where  $y_j^{(i)} = \langle \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a}_j^{(i)} \rangle$  and  $e_j^{(i)} = e_k^{(i)} - e_l^{(i)}$ 
21           $j = j + 1$ 
22        else if the negation of  $\mathbf{a}_l^{(i)}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_q^n$  matches  $\mathbf{a}_k^{(i)}$  in the last  $(i \cdot b)$  components then
23           $\mathbf{a}_j^{(i+1)} = \mathbf{a}_k^{(i)} + \mathbf{a}_l^{(i)}$ 
24           $z_j^{(i+1)} = z_k^{(i)} + z_l^{(i)} = y_j^{(i)} + e_j^{(i)}$ , where  $y_j^{(i)} = \langle \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a}_j^{(i)} \rangle$  and  $e_j^{(i)} = e_k^{(i)} + e_l^{(i)}$ 
25           $j = j + 1$ 
26      $i = i + 1$ 
27     // Calculate input for next BKW step
28      $\mathbf{A}^{(i)} = (\mathbf{a}_1^{(i)} \dots \mathbf{a}_{j-1}^{(i)})$ 
29      $\mathbf{z} = (z_1^{(i)}, \dots, z_{j-1}^{(i)})$ 

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**Coded-BKW [GJS15]**

- change BKW step -> more column entries are removed, but additional noise - index set  $I$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_I$  is part of  $\mathbf{x}$  with entries indexed by  $I$  - step  $i$ :  $I$  set of  $b$  positions to be removed, fix some  $q$ -ary linear  $[N_i, b]$  code  $C_i$  with  $q^b$  codewords, find the closest codeword  $\mathbf{c}_I \in C$  for every input vector  $\mathbf{a}_I$  such that  $\mathbf{a}_I = \mathbf{c}_I + \mathbf{e}_I$ , where the error part  $\mathbf{e}_I \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{N_i}$  is minimized by a decoding procedure.

Finally, we subtract two vectors and their corresponding samples and pass the result to the next BKW step. Consider the inner product  $\langle \mathbf{s}_I, \mathbf{a}_I \rangle = \langle \mathbf{s}_I, \mathbf{c}_I \rangle + \langle \mathbf{s}_I, \mathbf{e}_I \rangle$ . In the subtraction, only the error part  $\langle \mathbf{s}_I, \mathbf{e}_I \rangle$  remains.

**Dual Attack [MicReg09]**

"Gama and Nguyen [GN08]: (in)feasibility of obtaining various Hermite factors natural distinguishing attack on LWE by finding one relatively short vector in associated lattice"

**Decoding Attack [LinPei11]**

combines lattice basis reduction followed by an enumeration algorithm (bounded-distance decoding with preprocessing?) => time/success tradeoff specifically for LWE, exploits structural properties of LWE on search version of LWE problem, approach preferable to distinguishing attack on decision LWE in [MR09; RS10], same or better advantage than distinguishing attack using lattice vectors of lower quality => runtime is smaller post-reduction: simple extension of Babai's "nearest-plane" algorithm [Bab85] => trade basis quality against decoding time related to Klein's (de)randomized algorithm [Kle00] for bounded-distance decoding

use entire reduced basis, post-reduction part is fully parallelizable

Properties of a  $\delta$ -LLL Reduced Basis:

1.  $|\mu_{i,j}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $j < i$
2.  $\delta \|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\|^2 > \|\mu_{i+1,i}\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i + \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_{i+1}\|^2$  for  $1 \leq i < n$

LLL reduction to input Lattice, integer combination of basis vectors close to target (like inner loop in reduction step of LLL), seek vector in lattice close to target, finds output that is in fundamental parallelepiped  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{B})$  Section 2.2.2 => if error vector not in  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{B})$ , secret is not restored => basis quality has to be sufficiently good

Output is a lattice vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \Lambda(\mathbf{B})$  such that  $\|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{t}\| \leq 2^{n/2} \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, \Lambda(\mathbf{B}))$

Goal: recover lattice vector relatively close to target vector Intuition: - project  $\mathbf{t}$  to  $\text{span}(\mathbf{B})$  - from  $i = n, \dots, 1$  find closest hyperplane  $c_i \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i + \text{span}(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_i)$  to the projection, subtract  $c_i \mathbf{b}_i$  from the projection and continue - output vector is  $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbf{b}_i$  for every basis vector  $\mathbf{b}_i$  find  $c_i$  such that distance between target and hyperplane spanned by  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{i-1}$  and shifted by  $c_i \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i$  is minimal, subtract  $c_i \mathbf{b}_i$  from target vector and continue for  $i = n, \dots, 1$ . After the last iteration  $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbf{b}_i$  is returned.

Application to LWE:  $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e}$  => we get  $\mathbf{v}$  where  $\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{e}$  is in fundamental parallelepiped of Gram-Schmidt basis

**Algorithm 2:** The  $\delta$ -LLL Algorithm

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1 function  $\delta$ -LLL( $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n \times n}$ )
2   Start: compute Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$ 
3   Reduction Step:
4   for  $i = 2, \dots, n$  do
5     for  $j = i - 1, \dots, 1$  do
6        $c_{i,j} = \text{round}(\langle \mathbf{b}_i, \hat{\mathbf{b}}_j \rangle / \langle \hat{\mathbf{b}}_j, \hat{\mathbf{b}}_j \rangle)$ 
7        $\mathbf{b}_i = \mathbf{b}_i - c_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_j$ 
8   Swap Step:
9   if  $\exists i$  such that  $\delta \|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\|^2 > \|\mu_{i+1,i} \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i + \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_{i+1}\|^2$  then
10    tmp =  $\mathbf{b}_i$ 
11     $\mathbf{b}_i = \mathbf{b}_{i+1}$ 
12     $\mathbf{b}_{i+1} = \text{tmp}$ 

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**Algorithm 3:** Babai's Nearest Plane Algorithm [Bab85]

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1 function NearestPlane( $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ )
2   run  $\delta$ -LLL on basis  $\mathbf{B}$  with  $\delta = \frac{3}{4}$ 
3    $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{t}$ 
4   for  $i = n, \dots, 1$  do
5      $c_i = \text{round}(\langle \mathbf{b}, \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i \rangle / \langle \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i \rangle)$   $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} - c_i \mathbf{b}_i$ 
6   output  $\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{b}$ 

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Generalized version by [LP11]: Problem: in reduced basis last Gram-Schmidt vectors of  $\mathbf{B}$  short, first long  $\Rightarrow$  long and skinny parallelepiped, Gaussian  $\epsilon$  unlikely to be in it  $\Rightarrow$  incorrect answer from NearestPlane

$\Rightarrow$  generalized version admitting time/success tradeoff recurse on some  $d_i \geq 1$  distinct planes in  $i$ th

**Algorithm 4:** Generalized Nearest Plane Algorithm [LP11]

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1 function GeneralizedNearestPlane( $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^m, \mathbf{d} \in (\mathbb{Z}^+)^k$ )
2   if  $k = 0$  then
3     Return  $\mathbf{0}$ 
4   else
5     Compute projection  $\mathbf{v}$  of  $\mathbf{t}$  onto  $\text{span}(\mathbf{B})$ 
6     Compute the  $d_k$  distinct integers  $c_1, \dots, c_{d_k}$  closest to  $\langle \mathbf{v}, \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_k \rangle / \langle \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_k, \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_k \rangle$ 
7     Return  $\bigcup_{i \in \{1, \dots, d_k\}} (c_i \cdot \mathbf{b}_k +$ 
      GeneralizedNearestPlane( $\{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{k-1}\}, (d_1, \dots, d_{k-1}), \mathbf{v} - c_i \cdot \mathbf{b}_k)$ )

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Instead of choosing only the nearest plane in each iteration step, Algorithm 4 selects a variable amount  $d_k$  of distinct planes in each step. As a consequence, the fundamental parallelepiped of the Gram-Schmidt basis is stretched in the direction of  $\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_k$ . The values of  $\mathbf{d}$  should be chosen such that



the covered area is approximately the same in each direction (i.e. by maximizing  $\min_i(d_i \cdot \|\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i\|)$ ). In particular this implies that the  $d_k$  are larger for larger  $k$  as the Gram-Schmidt vectors have a smaller length. Compared to Algorithm 3 the runtime increases by a factor  $\prod_{i \in \{1, \dots, d_k\}} d_i$ , however, the recursion step can be fully parallelized.

It should be evident that a lower quality of the reduced input basis can be compensated for by increasing the values of  $\mathbf{d}$ . Hence we can adjust the input parameters for the lattice reduction and Algorithm 4 to minimize the runtime given a fixed required success probability.

### Primal-uSVP [ADPS16, BaiGal14]

BKZ: reduce lattice basis using SVP oracle in smaller dimension  $b$ , known that number of calls to oracle polynomial - enumeration algorithm as oracle: in super-exponential time - sieve algorithms as oracle: exponential time but so far slower in practice for accesible dimensions  $b \approx 130$

primal attack: construct unique-SVP instance from LWE instance LWE instance  $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e})$   
construct lattice

$$(3.4) \quad \Lambda = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^{m+n+1} \mid (\mathbf{A}^\top - \mathbf{I}_m - \mathbf{b})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \pmod{q}\}$$

lattice has dimension  $d = m + n + 1$ , volume  $q^m$  and unique-SVP solution  $\mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{e}, 1)$

success condition: - geometric series assumption known to be optimistic from attacker's point of view  $\Rightarrow$  finds basis with Gram-Schmidt norms  $\|\mathbf{mat}\tilde{h}bfb_i\| = \delta^{d-2i-1} \cdot \text{Vol}(\Lambda)^{1/d}$  and  $\delta = ((\pi b)^{1/b} \cdot b/2\pi e)^{1/2(b-1)}$  unique short vector  $\mathbf{v}$  is detected if projection of  $\mathbf{v}$  onto span of last  $b$  Gram-Schmidt vectors is shorter than  $\mathbf{mat}\tilde{h}bfb_{d-b}$ , norm of projection is expected to be  $\gamma\sqrt{b} \Rightarrow$  attack successful iff  $\gamma\sqrt{b} \leq \delta^{d-2i-1} \cdot q^{m/d}$

LWE as inhomogeneous-SIS (ISIS)

$\gamma$ -uSVP: given lattice  $\Lambda$  such that  $\lambda_2(\Lambda) > \gamma\lambda_1(\Lambda)$ , find shortest nonzero vector in  $\Lambda$  reduce BDD to uSVP Kannan's embedding technique [Kan87]: given lattice  $\Lambda(\mathbf{A}^\top) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^m \mid \exists \mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{s} \pmod{q}\}$  Section 2.3.1 generated by rows of LWE instance Let  $\mathbf{B}$  be a basis of the  $q$ -ary lattice  $\Lambda(\mathbf{A}^\top)$  and  $t = \text{dist}(\mathbf{z}, \Lambda(\mathbf{A}^\top))$  be the embedding factor. embed  $\Lambda(\mathbf{A}^\top)$  into  $\Lambda(\tilde{\mathbf{B}})$  with  $\gamma$ -uSVP structure as follows:

$$(3.5) \quad \tilde{\mathbf{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{z} & t \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $t < \frac{\lambda_1(\Lambda(\mathbf{A}^\top))}{2\gamma}$ , then  $\Lambda(\tilde{\mathbf{B}})$  contains a  $\gamma$ -unique shortest vector  $\mathbf{z}' = (\mathbf{e}, -t)$  [LM09]. By recovering  $\mathbf{e}$ , BDD is solved.

**Meet-in-the-Middle [AlbPlaSco15]**

**Arora-Ge [AroGe11,ACFP14]**

### 3.3 SIS

#### 3.3.1 Dual Attack

**MR variant [MR09]**

**RS variant [RS10]**

"concrete estimates of “symmetric bit security”, concrete runtime estimates for various Hermite factors in random  $q$ -ary lattices" permissive form of distinguishing attack in [MR09], adversarial advantage is about  $2^{-72}$

#### 3.3.2 Combinatorial Attack [MR09]

### 3.4 Tool

class for distributions... from section this modelling, problems, generic search... Überblick, wie verwendbar, automatische norm umwandlung, sonstige features

#### 3.4.1 Runtime and Cost Comparison

defaults... schnellste, beste => effizient, etc. parallel... problem reductions...

## **4 Usage Examples**

### **4.1 Two Problem Search**

basiert auf [BDLOP18]

### **4.2 TODO: find other schemes to apply**



## **5 Conclusion**



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