

Signature Scheme Implementation

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Chapter 1

Class Index

1.1 Class List

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2.1 File List

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Chapter 3

Class Documentation

3.1 code Struct Reference

code refers to an error-correcting code, such as G1, G2, or H_A all the parameters are unsigned long integers.

```
#include <matrix.h>
```

Public Attributes

- unsigned long [n](#)
- unsigned long [k](#)
- unsigned long [d](#)

3.1.1 Detailed Description

code refers to an error-correcting code, such as G1, G2, or H_A all the parameters are unsigned long integers.

3.1.2 Member Data Documentation

3.1.2.1 d

```
unsigned long code::d
```

minimum distance between 2 codewords

3.1.2.2 k

```
unsigned long code::k
```

length of the message

3.1.2.3 n

```
unsigned long code::n
```

length of the code

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [signature-scheme/include/matrix.h](#)

3.2 Params Struct Reference

the derived datatype of the codes. it has the 3 parameters n, k, and d. n: length of the codeword, k: length of the message, d: minimum distance of the code.

```
#include <params.h>
```

Public Attributes

- [uint32_t n](#)
- [uint32_t k](#)
- [uint32_t d](#)

3.2.1 Detailed Description

the derived datatype of the codes. it has the 3 parameters n, k, and d. n: length of the codeword, k: length of the message, d: minimum distance of the code.

3.2.2 Member Data Documentation

3.2.2.1 d

```
uint32_t Params::d
```

Minimum distance of the code

3.2.2.2 k

```
uint32_t Params::k
```

Length of the message

3.2.2.3 n

```
uint32_t Params::n
```

Length of the code

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [signature-scheme/include/params.h](#)

Chapter 4

File Documentation

4.1 signature-scheme/include/constants.h File Reference

It is the header file for the constants and flags used in the signature scheme.

Macros

- `#define MOD 2`
It is the modulus used in the signature scheme.
- `#define PRINT true`
It is the flag to print the matrices and other information during the execution.
- `#define SEED_SIZE 32`
It is the size of the seed used for random number generation in the signature scheme.
- `#define PARAM_PATH "params.txt"`
It is the path to the parameters file.
- `#define OUTPUT_DIR "output"`
It is the directory to the output file.
- `#define OUTPUT_PATH OUTPUT_DIR "/output.txt"`
It is the path to the output file.
- `#define CACHE_DIR "./matrix_cache/"`
It is the directory where the matrix cache is stored.
- `#define MAX_FILENAME_LENGTH 256`
It is the maximum length of a filename in the signature scheme.

4.1.1 Detailed Description

It is the header file for the constants and flags used in the signature scheme.

4.1.2 Macro Definition Documentation

4.1.2.1 CACHE_DIR

```
#define CACHE_DIR "./matrix_cache/"
```

It is the directory where the matrix cache is stored.

This directory is used to store cached matrices used in the signature scheme. It is useful for storing matrices that are frequently used or generated, allowing for faster access and reducing the need to regenerate them each time the program runs. The cached matrices are in binary format and can be loaded or saved as needed.

4.1.2.2 MAX_FILENAME_LENGTH

```
#define MAX_FILENAME_LENGTH 256
```

It is the maximum length of a filename in the signature scheme.

4.1.2.3 MOD

```
#define MOD 2
```

It is the modulus used in the signature scheme.

4.1.2.4 OUTPUT_DIR

```
#define OUTPUT_DIR "output"
```

It is the directory to the output file.

4.1.2.5 OUTPUT_PATH

```
#define OUTPUT_PATH OUTPUT_DIR "/output.txt"
```

It is the path to the output file.

This file is used to store the output of the signature scheme, such as the generated signatures, debug information, and other relevant data.

4.1.2.6 PARAM_PATH

```
#define PARAM_PATH "params.txt"
```

It is the path to the parameters file.

This file contains the parameters for the signature scheme, such as the generator matrices and concatenated codes. The parameters are used to initialize the signature scheme and can be generated or read from this file.

4.1.2.7 PRINT

```
#define PRINT true
```

It is the flag to print the matrices and other information during the execution.

If set to true, the program will print debug information to the output file. If set to false, the program will not print debug information. This can be useful for debugging purposes or to reduce the output size in production runs.

4.1.2.8 SEED_SIZE

```
#define SEED_SIZE 32
```

It is the size of the seed used for random number generation in the signature scheme.

4.2 constants.h

[Go to the documentation of this file.](#)

```
00001
00005 #ifndef CONSTANTS_H
00006 #define CONSTANTS_H
00010 #define MOD 2
00017 #define PRINT true
00022 #define SEED_SIZE 32
00028 #define PARAM_PATH "params.txt"
00032 #define OUTPUT_DIR "output"
00038 #define OUTPUT_PATH OUTPUT_DIR "/output.txt"
00046 #define CACHE_DIR "./matrix_cache/"
00051 #define MAX_FILENAME_LENGTH 256
00052
00053 #endif
```

4.3 signature-scheme/include/keygen.h File Reference

It is the header file for the key generation module.

```
#include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
#include <stdbool.h>
#include "matrix.h"
```

Functions

- void [create_generator_matrix_from_seed](#) (slong n, slong k, slong d, nmod_mat_t gen_matrix, const unsigned char *seed, FILE *output_file)
Create a generator matrix from seed object.
- void [generate_parity_check_matrix_from_seed](#) (slong n, slong k, slong d, nmod_mat_t H, const unsigned char *seed, FILE *output_file)
This function generates a parity check matrix from a seed.
- void [get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed](#) (const char *prefix, int n, int k, int d, nmod_mat_t matrix, void(*generate_func)(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, FILE *), void(*generate_from_seed_func)(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, const unsigned char *, FILE *), FILE *output_file, bool regenerate, bool use_seed_mode, unsigned char *seed_out)
Get the or generate matrix with seed object.
- void [generate_keys](#) (struct [code](#) *C_A, struct [code](#) *C1, struct [code](#) *C2, nmod_mat_t H_A, nmod_mat_t G1, nmod_mat_t G2, bool use_seed_mode, bool regenerate, FILE *output_file, unsigned char *h_a_seed, unsigned char *g1_seed, unsigned char *g2_seed)
It is a function that generates keys for a signature scheme based on the provided parameters and options.

4.3.1 Detailed Description

It is the header file for the key generation module.

4.3.2 Function Documentation

4.3.2.1 create_generator_matrix_from_seed()

```
void create_generator_matrix_from_seed (
    slong n,
    slong k,
    slong d,
    nmod_mat_t gen_matrix,
    const unsigned char * seed,
    FILE * output_file)
```

Create a generator matrix from seed object.

This function generates a generator matrix of size $k \times n$ using a deterministic approach based on a provided seed. The seed is used to generate random entries in the matrix, ensuring that the same seed will always produce the same matrix. The entries are generated modulo MOD. The process involves the following steps:

1. **Stream Buffer Allocation:** A buffer (`stream`) is allocated to hold the random bytes needed for the matrix entries. The size of this buffer is determined by the number of entries in the matrix ($k * n$) multiplied by the size of each entry (4 bytes for a `uint32_t`).
2. **Deterministic Random Generation:** The `randombytes_buf_deterministic` function from the Sodium library is used to fill the buffer with random bytes based on the provided seed. This ensures that the same seed will always produce the same sequence of random bytes. It's important to note that this function uses the ChaCha20 algorithm under the hood for secure random number generation.
3. **Matrix Entry Population:** The function iterates over each entry in the generator matrix and fills it with values derived from the buffer. Each entry is constructed by combining 4 bytes from the buffer into a single `uint32_t` value, which is then reduced modulo MOD to fit within the required range.
4. **Memory Cleanup:** The allocated buffer is freed to avoid memory leaks.

Note

The function does not return any value; it directly modifies the provided `gen_matrix` object. It also requires a seed to ensure deterministic behavior, which is passed as an argument.

Parameters

<i>n</i>	It is the total number of columns in the generator matrix. It represents the length of the codewords generated by the matrix.
<i>k</i>	It is the number of rows in the generator matrix. It represents the dimension of the code, which is the number of information symbols that can be encoded.
<i>d</i>	It is the minimum distance of the code. This parameter is not directly used in the function but is typically relevant for the properties of the code being generated.
<i>gen_matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the generator matrix to be created. The function initializes this matrix with random entries modulo MOD.
<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array that serves as the seed for the deterministic random number generation. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written.

Returns

`void` This function does not return any value. It modifies the provided `gen_matrix` object directly and fills it with values derived from the seed.

4.3.2.2 generate_keys()

```
void generate_keys (
    struct code * C_A,
    struct code * C1,
    struct code * C2,
    nmod_mat_t H_A,
    nmod_mat_t G1,
    nmod_mat_t G2,
    bool use_seed_mode,
    bool regenerate,
    FILE * output_file,
    unsigned char * h_a_seed,
    unsigned char * g1_seed,
    unsigned char * g2_seed)
```

It is a function that generates keys for a signature scheme based on the provided parameters and options.

This function generates keys for a signature scheme by creating a parity check matrix (*H_A*) and two generator matrices (*G1* and *G2*) based on the provided code parameters (*C_A*, *C1*, *C2*). It supports both random generation and seed-based generation of matrices. The generated matrices are saved to files, and if seed-based generation is used, the seeds are also saved.

Parameters

<i>C_A</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>struct code</code> object that contains the parameters for the first code, including its length (<i>n</i>), dimension (<i>k</i>), and minimum distance (<i>d</i>). This code is used to generate the parity check matrix <i>H_A</i> .
<i>C1</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>struct code</code> object that contains the parameters for the first generator code, including its length (<i>n</i>), dimension (<i>k</i>), and minimum distance (<i>d</i>). This code is used to generate the first generator matrix <i>G1</i> .
<i>C2</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>struct code</code> object that contains the parameters for the second generator code, including its length (<i>n</i>), dimension (<i>k</i>), and minimum distance (<i>d</i>). This code is used to generate the second generator matrix <i>G2</i> .
<i>H_A</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the parity check matrix <i>H_A</i> to be generated. The function initializes this matrix with random entries or from a seed, depending on the options provided.
<i>G1</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the first generator matrix <i>G1</i> to be generated. The function initializes this matrix with random entries or from a seed, depending on the options provided.
<i>G2</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the second generator matrix <i>G2</i> to be generated. The function initializes this matrix with random entries or from a seed, depending on the options provided.
<i>use_seed_mode</i>	It is a boolean flag that indicates whether to use seed-based generation for the matrices. If set to true, the function will generate the matrices using a seed; if false, it will generate the matrices randomly.
<i>regenerate</i>	It is a boolean flag that indicates whether to regenerate the matrices even if they already exist. If set to true, the function will always generate new matrices; if false, it will load the existing matrices if available.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written. This parameter is optional and can be used for logging purposes, but in this implementation, it is not used.
<i>h_a_seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated seed for the parity check matrix <i>H_A</i> will be stored if seed-based generation is used. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file. If seed-based generation is not used, this parameter can be <code>NULL</code> .

Parameters

<i>g1_seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated seed for the first generator matrix G1 will be stored if seed-based generation is used. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file. If seed-based generation is not used, this parameter can be NULL.
<i>g2_seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated seed for the second generator matrix G2 will be stored if seed-based generation is used. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file. If seed-based generation is not used, this parameter can be NULL.

Returns

void This function does not return any value. It directly modifies the provided matrices (H_A, G1, G2) and saves them to files if necessary. If seed-based generation is used, it also saves the generated seeds to files.

4.3.2.3 generate_parity_check_matrix_from_seed()

```
void generate_parity_check_matrix_from_seed (
    slong n,
    slong k,
    slong d,
    nmod_mat_t H,
    const unsigned char * seed,
    FILE * output_file)
```

This function generates a parity check matrix from a seed.

The function initializes a parity check matrix of size $(n-k) \times n$ using a deterministic approach based on a provided seed. The seed is used to generate random entries in the matrix, ensuring that the same seed will always produce the same matrix. The entries are generated modulo MOD. The process involves the following steps:

1. **Stream Buffer Allocation:** A buffer (`stream`) is allocated to hold the random bytes needed for the matrix entries. The size of this buffer is determined by the number of entries in the matrix $((n-k) * n)$ multiplied by the size of each entry (4 bytes for a `uint32_t`).
2. **Deterministic Random Generation:** The `randombytes_buf_deterministic` function from the Sodium library is used to fill the buffer with random bytes based on the provided seed. This ensures that the same seed will always produce the same sequence of random bytes. It's important to note that this function uses the ChaCha20 algorithm under the hood for secure random number generation.
3. **Matrix Entry Population:** The function iterates over each entry in the parity check matrix and fills it with values derived from the buffer. Each entry is constructed by combining 4 bytes from the buffer into a single `uint32_t` value, which is then reduced modulo MOD to fit within the required range.

1. **Memory Cleanup:** The allocated buffer is freed to avoid memory leaks.

Note

The function does not return any value; it directly modifies the provided H object. It also requires a seed to ensure deterministic behavior, which is passed as an argument.

Parameters

<i>n</i>	It is the total number of columns in the parity check matrix. It represents the length of the codewords that the matrix checks for validity.
<i>k</i>	It is the number of rows in the parity check matrix. It represents the dimension of the code, which is the number of information symbols that can be encoded.
<i>d</i>	It is the minimum distance of the code. This parameter is not directly used in the function but is typically relevant for the properties of the code being generated.
<i>H</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the parity check matrix to be created. The function initializes this matrix with random entries modulo MOD.
<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array that serves as the seed for the deterministic random number generation. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written.

Returns

void This function does not return any value. It modifies the provided `H` object directly and fills it with values derived from the seed.

4.3.2.4 get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed()

```
void get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed (
    const char * prefix,
    int n,
    int k,
    int d,
    nmod_mat_t matrix,
    void(* generate_func )(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, FILE *),
    void(* generate_from_seed_func )(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, const unsigned
char *, FILE *),
    FILE * output_file,
    bool regenerate,
    bool use_seed_mode,
    unsigned char * seed_out)
```

Get the or generate matrix with seed object.

This function checks if a matrix file exists for the given parameters (`prefix`, `n`, `k`, `d`). If it does and regeneration is not requested, it loads the matrix from the file. If the file does not exist or regeneration is requested, it generates a new matrix either using a random generation function or a seed-based generation function. The generated matrix is then saved to a file. This function is designed to handle both random and seed-based generation of matrices, allowing for reproducibility when using the same seed.

Parameters

<i>prefix</i>	It is a string that serves as a prefix for the filename of the matrix. This prefix is used to create a unique filename based on the parameters <code>n</code> , <code>k</code> , and <code>d</code> .
<i>n</i>	It is the total number of columns in the matrix. It represents the length of the codewords generated by the matrix.
<i>k</i>	It is the number of rows in the matrix. It represents the dimension of the code, which is the number of information symbols that can be encoded.
<i>d</i>	It is the minimum distance of the code. This parameter is not directly used in the function but is typically relevant for the properties of the code being generated.

Parameters

<i>matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the matrix to be generated or loaded. The function initializes this matrix with random entries or loads it from a file if it already exists.
<i>generate_func</i>	It is a pointer to a function that generates a matrix with random entries. This function should take parameters (n, k, d, matrix, output_file) and fill the matrix with random values.
<i>generate_from_seed_func</i>	It is a pointer to a function that generates a matrix from a seed. This function should take parameters (n, k, d, matrix, seed, output_file) and fill the matrix with values derived from the seed.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written. This parameter is optional and can be used for logging purposes, but in this implementation, it is not used.
<i>regenerate</i>	It is a boolean flag that indicates whether to regenerate the matrix even if it already exists. If set to true, the function will always generate a new matrix; if false, it will load the existing matrix if available.
<i>use_seed_mode</i>	It is the boolean flag that indicates whether to use seed-based generation for the matrix. If set to true, the function will generate the matrix using a seed; if false, it will generate the matrix randomly.
<i>seed_out</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated seed will be stored if seed-based generation is used. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file. If seed-based generation is not used, this parameter can be <code>NULL</code> .

Returns

void This function does not return any value. It modifies the provided matrix object directly and saves it to a file if necessary.

4.4 keygen.h

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```

00001
00005 #ifndef KEYGEN_H
00006 #define KEYGEN_H
00007
00008 #include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
00009 #include <stdbool.h>
00010 #include "matrix.h"
00011
00012 void create_generator_matrix_from_seed(slong n, slong k, slong d,
00013                                     nmod_mat_t gen_matrix,
00014                                     const unsigned char *seed,
00015                                     FILE *output_file);
00016
00017 void generate_parity_check_matrix_from_seed(slong n, slong k, slong d, nmod_mat_t H,
00018                                             const unsigned char *seed, FILE *output_file);
00019
00020 void get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed(const char* prefix, int n, int k, int d, nmod_mat_t matrix,
00021                                     void (*generate_func)(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, FILE*),
00022                                     void (*generate_from_seed_func)(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t,
00023                                     const unsigned char*, FILE*),
00024                                     FILE* output_file, bool regenerate, bool use_seed_mode,
00025                                     unsigned char *seed_out);
00026
00026 void generate_keys(struct code* C_A, struct code* C1, struct code* C2,
00027                  nmod_mat_t H_A, nmod_mat_t G1, nmod_mat_t G2,
00028                  bool use_seed_mode, bool regenerate, FILE* output_file,
00029                  unsigned char* h_a_seed, unsigned char* g1_seed, unsigned char* g2_seed);
00030
00031 #endif

```

4.5 signature-scheme/include/matrix.h File Reference

Header file for declaration of matrix operations and error-correcting code structures for signature scheme.

Classes

- struct [code](#)

code refers to an error-correcting code, such as G1, G2, or H_A all the parameters are unsigned long integers.

Functions

- void [print_matrix](#) (FILE *fp, nmod_mat_t matrix)
The print_matrix function is designed to output the contents of a matrix to a specified file stream, such as a file or the console.
- void [transpose_matrix](#) (int rows, int cols, int matrix[rows][cols], int transpose[cols][rows])
The function computes the transpose of a two-dimensional integer matrix.
- void [multiply_matrices_gf2](#) (nmod_mat_t C, const nmod_mat_t A, const nmod_mat_t B)
The function performs matrix multiplication over the finite field GF(2)
- void [make_systematic](#) (unsigned long n, unsigned long k, nmod_mat_t H)
- void [rref](#) (int num_rows, int num_cols, int(*H)[num_cols])
The function transforms a binary matrix into its Reduced Row Echelon Form(RREF).

4.5.1 Detailed Description

Header file for declaration of matrix operations and error-correcting code structures for signature scheme.

4.5.2 Function Documentation

4.5.2.1 make_systematic()

```
void make_systematic (
    unsigned long n,
    unsigned long k,
    nmod_mat_t H)
```

4.5.2.2 multiply_matrices_gf2()

```
void multiply_matrices_gf2 (
    nmod_mat_t C,
    const nmod_mat_t A,
    const nmod_mat_t B)
```

The function performs matrix multiplication over the finite field GF(2)

This function multiplies two matrices A and B, both defined over the finite field GF(2), and stores the result in matrix C. The multiplication is performed using bitwise operations, where addition is equivalent to XOR and multiplication is equivalent to AND. The function multiplies matrices over GF(2) using three nested loops. The outer loops iterate over rows of A and columns of B to compute each entry of the result matrix C. For each (i, j) entry, it initializes C[i][j] to 0, then uses the inner loop to XOR the bitwise AND of A[i][k] and B[k][j] into C[i][j]. This performs matrix multiplication using bitwise operations, with & as multiplication and ^ as addition in GF(2). The function assumes the matrices are properly initialized and dimensionally compatible.

Parameters

<i>A</i>	is the first matrix to be multiplied, represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library.
<i>B</i>	is the second matrix to be multiplied, also represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library.

Note

The function assumes that the matrices *A* and *B* are compatible for multiplication, meaning the number of columns in *A* must equal the number of rows in *B*. It also assumes that the result matrix *C* has been initialized with appropriate dimensions to hold the product of *A* and *B*.

The function uses the `nmod_mat_get_entry` and `nmod_mat_set_entry` functions from the FLINT library to access and modify matrix entries. It iterates through each row of *A* and each column of *B*, computing the product for each entry in *C*.

Parameters

<i>C</i>	the result matrix where the product of <i>A</i> and <i>B</i> will be stored, also represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library.
----------	--

Returns

void This function does not return a value; it modifies the matrix *C* in place to store the result of the multiplication.

4.5.2.3 `print_matrix()`

```
void print_matrix (
    FILE * fp,
    nmod_mat_t matrix)
```

The `print_matrix` function is designed to output the contents of a matrix to a specified file stream, such as a file or the console.

It takes two parameters: a `FILE *fp`, which is the output stream, and an `nmod_mat_t matrix`, which represents the matrix to be printed. The function begins by printing the dimensions of the matrix in the format `<rows x columns matrix>`, using the `r` and `c` fields of `nmod_mat_t matrix`.

- It then iterates through each row and column of the matrix, printing each entry in a formatted manner. Each row is enclosed in square brackets, and entries are separated by spaces. After printing all entries in a row, it moves to the next line for the next row.

Parameters

<i>fp</i>	is the file pointer to which the matrix will be printed. This can be a file opened in write mode or <code>stdout</code> for console output.
-----------	---

Note

The function assumes that the matrix is non-empty and that the `nmod_mat_t` structure is properly initialized. It does not handle any errors related to file operations or matrix initialization.

Parameters

<i>matrix</i>	The matrix to be printed, represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library. This structure allows efficient access and manipulation of matrix data under modular arithmetic.
---------------	---

Returns

void This function does not return a value; it performs output operations directly to the specified file stream.

4.5.2.4 `rref()`

```
void rref (
    int num_rows,
    int num_cols,
    int (*) H[num_cols])
```

The function transforms a binary matrix into its Reduced Row Echelon Form (RREF).

This function takes a binary matrix *H*, represented as a two-dimensional array of integers, and transforms it into its Reduced Row Echelon Form (RREF). The RREF is a form where each leading entry in a row is 1, and all entries in the column above and below each leading 1 are 0. The function performs forward and back substitution to achieve this form. It iterates through the columns of the matrix, finding non-zero elements to use as pivot points, and then eliminates other entries in the same column by XORing rows.

Parameters

<i>num_rows</i>	is the number of rows in the matrix <i>H</i> , which is used to determine the range of rows that will be affected by the transformation.
<i>num_cols</i>	is the number of columns in the matrix <i>H</i> , which is used to determine the range of columns that will be affected by the transformation.
<i>H</i>	is the binary matrix that will be transformed into Reduced Row Echelon Form, represented as a two-dimensional array of integers. Each entry in the matrix is either 0 or 1, representing elements in GF(2).

Note

The notation `(*H)[num_cols]` in the function parameter list means that *H* is a pointer to an array of `num_cols` integers. In other words, *H* points to the first element of a 2D array where each row contains `num_cols` elements. This allows you to use `H[i][j]` inside the function to access the element at row *i* and column *j*, just like with a regular 2D array. The compiler needs to know the size of each row (`num_cols`) to correctly compute the memory offset for each element. This is why `num_cols` must be specified in the parameter type.

4.5.2.5 `transpose_matrix()`

```
void transpose_matrix (
    int rows,
    int cols,
    int matrix[rows][cols],
    int transpose[cols][rows])
```

The function computes the transpose of a two-dimensional integer matrix.

This function takes a matrix defined by its number of rows and columns, and fills a new matrix with the transposed values. The transpose of a matrix is obtained by swapping its rows and columns, meaning that the element at position (*i*, *j*) in the original matrix becomes the element at position (*j*, *i*) in the transposed matrix. So that the elements of the first row in the original matrix becomes the elements at the first column in the transposed matrix.

Parameters

<i>rows</i>	It is the number of rows in the original matrix.
<i>cols</i>	It is the number of columns in the original matrix.

Note

The function assumes that the input matrix is well-formed and that the transpose matrix has been allocated with appropriate dimensions.

Parameters

<i>matrix</i>	The original matrix to be transposed, represented as a two-dimensional array of integers.
<i>transpose</i>	The transposed matrix, which will be filled with the transposed values of the original matrix.

Returns

void This function does not return a value; it modifies the `transpose` matrix in place.

4.6 matrix.h

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```

00001
00005 #ifndef MATRIX_H
00006 #define MATRIX_H
00007
00008
00013 struct code {
00014     unsigned long n;
00015     unsigned long k;
00016     unsigned long d;
00017 };
00018
00019 void print_matrix(FILE *fp, nmod_mat_t matrix);
00020 void transpose_matrix(int rows, int cols, int matrix[rows][cols], int transpose[cols][rows]);
00021 void multiply_matrices_gf2(nmod_mat_t C, const nmod_mat_t A, const nmod_mat_t B);
00022 void make_systematic(unsigned long n, unsigned long k, nmod_mat_t H);
00023 void rref(int num_rows, int num_cols, int (*H)[num_cols]);
00024
00025 #endif

```

4.7 signature-scheme/include/params.h File Reference

Header file for declaration of parameter handling functions and [Params](#) structure.

```

#include <stdint.h>
#include <stdbool.h>
#include "utils.h"

```

Classes

- struct [Params](#)

the derived datatype of the codes. it has the 3 parameters n, k, and d. n: length of the codeword, k: length of the message, d: minimum distance of the code.

Functions

- void [init_params](#) (void)
Initializes the libsodium library.
- bool [get_yes_no_input](#) (const char *prompt)
Get the yes no input object.
- void [get_user_input](#) ([Params](#) *g1, [Params](#) *g2, [Params](#) *h)
Get user input for parameters.
- uint32_t [random_range](#) (uint32_t min, uint32_t max)
It generates a random number in the range [min, max].
- uint32_t [get_H_A_n](#) (void)
Returns the n parameter of the concatenated code H_A.
- uint32_t [get_H_A_k](#) (void)
Returns the k parameter of the concatenated code H_A.
- uint32_t [get_H_A_d](#) (void)
Returns the d parameter of the concatenated code H_A.
- uint32_t [get_G1_n](#) (void)
Returns the n parameter of the generator matrix G1.
- uint32_t [get_G1_k](#) (void)
Returns the k parameter of the generator matrix G1.
- uint32_t [get_G1_d](#) (void)
Returns the d parameter of the generator matrix G1.
- uint32_t [get_G2_n](#) (void)
Returns the n parameter of the generator matrix G2.
- uint32_t [get_G2_k](#) (void)
Returns the k parameter of the generator matrix G2.
- uint32_t [get_G2_d](#) (void)
Returns the d parameter of the generator matrix G2.

4.7.1 Detailed Description

Header file for declaration of parameter handling functions and [Params](#) structure.

4.7.2 Function Documentation

4.7.2.1 [get_G1_d\(\)](#)

```
uint32_t get_G1_d (
    void )
```

Returns the d parameter of the generator matrix G1.

Returns

The value of G1.d

4.7.2.2 get_G1_k()

```
uint32_t get_G1_k (  
    void )
```

Returns the k parameter of the generator matrix G1.

Returns

The value of G1.k

4.7.2.3 get_G1_n()

```
uint32_t get_G1_n (  
    void )
```

Returns the n parameter of the generator matrix G1.

Returns

The value of G1.n

4.7.2.4 get_G2_d()

```
uint32_t get_G2_d (  
    void )
```

Returns the d parameter of the generator matrix G2.

Returns

The value of G2.d

4.7.2.5 get_G2_k()

```
uint32_t get_G2_k (  
    void )
```

Returns the k parameter of the generator matrix G2.

Returns

The value of G2.k

4.7.2.6 get_G2_n()

```
uint32_t get_G2_n (  
    void )
```

Returns the n parameter of the generator matrix G2.

Returns

The value of G2.n

4.7.2.7 get_H_A_d()

```
uint32_t get_H_A_d (  
    void )
```

Returns the d parameter of the concatenated code H_A.

Returns

The value of H_A.d

4.7.2.8 get_H_A_k()

```
uint32_t get_H_A_k (  
    void )
```

Returns the k parameter of the concatenated code H_A.

Returns

The value of H_A.k

4.7.2.9 get_H_A_n()

```
uint32_t get_H_A_n (  
    void )
```

Returns the n parameter of the concatenated code H_A.

Returns

The value of H_A.n

4.7.2.10 get_user_input()

```
void get_user_input (
    Params * g1,
    Params * g2,
    Params * h)
```

Get user input for parameters.

This function checks if a saved parameter file exists and prompts the user to use it. If not, it asks the user whether they want to use BCH code or input G1 and G2 parameters manually. It generates random parameters if the user chooses not to input them. The function also saves the parameters to a file for future use. At first it checks if a saved parameter file exists. If it does, it prompts the user to use it. If the user chooses not to use the saved parameters, it asks whether they want to use BCH code or input G1 and G2 parameters manually.

- For the BCH code, it calculates the parameters based on user input for m and t , ensuring that the derived values for n , k , and d are consistent across G1 and G2. The parameters for H_A are derived from G1 and G2. m is the degree of the BCH code, and t is the error-correcting capability. The parameters are calculated as follows:
 - $n = 2^m - 1$ (length of the codeword)
 - $k = m * t$ (length of the message)
 - $d = 2 * t + 1$ (minimum distance of the code)
- If the user chooses to input G1 and G2 parameters manually, it prompts for each parameter (n , k , d) and checks their validity. If the user does not want to input parameters, it generates random parameters for G1 and G2.

After gathering the parameters, it saves them to a file named Defined as PARAM_PATH for future use. The parameters for G1, G2, and H_A are printed to the console for confirmation.

Parameters

<i>g1</i>	Pointer to Params structure for G1 parameters.
<i>g2</i>	Pointer to Params structure for G2 parameters.
<i>h</i>	Pointer to Params structure for H_A parameters.

4.7.2.11 get_yes_no_input()

```
bool get_yes_no_input (
    const char * prompt)
```

Get the yes no input object.

Parameters

<i>prompt</i>	It is a string that will be displayed to the user as a prompt.
---------------	--

This function prompts the user for a yes or no response. It reads the user's input and checks for the 1st character of it. It returns true for 'y' or 'Y', and false for 'n' or 'N'. If the input is invalid, it will terminate the program with failure.

Returns

- true if the input's 1st character is 'y' or 'Y'.
- false if the input's 1st character is 'n' or 'N'.

4.7.2.12 `init_params()`

```
void init_params (  
    void )
```

Initializes the libsodium library.

This function should be called before using any other libsodium functions. The libsodium library is used for generating random numbers in this implementation.

Note

If libsodium fails to initialize, the program will exit with an error message.

See also

`sodium_init`

4.7.2.13 `random_range()`

```
uint32_t random_range (  
    uint32_t min,  
    uint32_t max)
```

It generates a random number in the range `[min, max]`.

This function uses the libsodium library to generate a uniform random unsigned 32bit number. Basically, it generates a random number in the range `[0, max-min]` and adds with `min`.

Parameters

<i>min</i>	The minimum value of the range (inclusive).
<i>max</i>	The maximum value of the range (inclusive).

Returns

`uint32_t` The generated random number.

Note

This function assumes that `max` is greater than or equal to `min`.

See also

`randombytes_uniform`

4.8 params.h

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```

00001
00005 #ifndef PARAMS_H
00006 #define PARAMS_H
00007
00008 #include <stdint.h>
00009 #include <stdbool.h>
00010 #include "utils.h"
00011
00012
00020 typedef struct {
00021     uint32_t n;
00022     uint32_t k;
00023     uint32_t d;
00024 } Params;
00025
00026
00027
00028 void init_params(void);
00029
00029 bool get_yes_no_input(const char *prompt);
00031
00032 void get_user_input(Params *g1, Params *g2, Params *h);
00033
00034
00035 uint32_t random_range(uint32_t min, uint32_t max);
00036
00037 uint32_t get_H_A_n(void);
00038
00039 uint32_t get_H_A_k(void);
00040
00041 uint32_t get_H_A_d(void);
00042
00043 uint32_t get_G1_n(void);
00044
00045 uint32_t get_G1_k(void);
00046
00047 uint32_t get_G1_d(void);
00048
00049 uint32_t get_G2_n(void);
00050
00051 uint32_t get_G2_k(void);
00052
00053 uint32_t get_G2_d(void);
00054
00055
00056 #endif

```

4.9 signature-scheme/include/signer.h File Reference

Header file for the signer module.

```

#include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include "matrix.h"

```

Functions

- void [generate_signature](#) (nmod_mat_t bin_hash, const unsigned char *message, size_t message_len, struct [code](#) C_A, struct [code](#) C1, struct [code](#) C2, nmod_mat_t [H_A](#), nmod_mat_t [G1](#), nmod_mat_t [G2](#), nmod_mat_t F, nmod_mat_t signature, FILE *output_file)

This function generates a signature based on the provided parameters.

4.9.1 Detailed Description

Header file for the signer module.

4.9.2 Function Documentation

4.9.2.1 generate_signature()

```
void generate_signature (
    nmod_mat_t bin_hash,
    const unsigned char * message,
    size_t message_len,
    struct code C_A,
    struct code C1,
    struct code C2,
    nmod_mat_t H_A,
    nmod_mat_t G1,
    nmod_mat_t G2,
    nmod_mat_t F,
    nmod_mat_t signature,
    FILE * output_file)
```

This function generates a signature based on the provided parameters.

This function generates a digital signature for a given message using a code-based cryptographic approach. The signature is created by constructing a hybrid generator matrix from two codes (C1 and C2), salting the message, hashing it using SHA-256, and encoding the resulting binary hash vector as a codeword. The process ensures that the signature meets the minimum weight requirement specified by code C_A. It uses matrix operations over finite fields via the FLINT library (`nmod_mat_t`) and cryptographic hashing and randomness via Libsodium.

The function performs the following steps:

1. Allocate an array J to hold a random selection of indices from [0, C_A.n - 1].
2. Generate a random permutation of size C1.n and store it in J.
3. Initialize the matrix G_star (size C1.k × C_A.n) which will hold the combined generator matrix.
4. For each column index i from 0 to C_A.n - 1: a. If i is in J (i.e., selected for G1), copy the corresponding column from G1 to G_star. b. Otherwise, copy the next available column from G2 to G_star.
5. Free the random index array J as it's no longer needed.
6. If PRINT is enabled, print the contents of G_star to the output file.
7. Transpose G_star to obtain G_star_T.
8. Compute $F = H_A \times G_star_T$. This may be used for constraint checking or debugging.
9. Begin a loop to compute a valid signature: a. Allocate and fill a buffer with the original message followed by a random salt of the same length. b. Hash the salted message using SHA-256. c. Convert the resulting hash into a binary vector (0s and 1s) to fill the bin_hash matrix. d. Multiply bin_hash with G_star to produce the signature matrix. e. If the weight (Hamming weight) of the signature is less than C_A.d (minimum distance), repeat the loop.
10. If PRINT is enabled, print the binary hash matrix to the output file.
11. Clear memory used by G_star and G_star_T.

Note

This function assumes that the input matrices and codes are properly initialized and that the MOD constant is defined for finite field operations.

Parameters

<i>bin_hash</i>	It is a matrix that will hold the binary hash of the message.
<i>message</i>	It is the input message for which the signature is being generated.
<i>message_len</i>	It is the length of the input message in bytes.
<i>C_A</i>	It is the derived code that defines the parameters for the signature generation, including the length of the code (n), the length of the message (k), and the minimum distance (d).
<i>C1</i>	It is the first code used in the signature generation process, which provides part of the generator matrix.
<i>C2</i>	It is the second code used in the signature generation process, which provides the remaining part of the generator matrix.
<i>H_A</i>	It is the parity-check matrix for the derived code <i>C_A</i> , which is used to ensure that the generated signature meets the required properties.
<i>G1</i>	It is the generator matrix for the first code <i>C1</i> , which is used to construct part of the hybrid generator matrix.
<i>G2</i>	It is the generator matrix for the second code <i>C2</i> , which is used to construct the remaining part of the hybrid generator matrix.
<i>F</i>	It is a matrix that will hold the product of the parity-check matrix <i>H_A</i> and the transposed hybrid generator matrix <i>G_star_T</i> . This is used for debugging or verification purposes.
<i>signature</i>	It is the output matrix that will hold the generated signature for the input message.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a file pointer to the output file where debug information will be printed if the PRINT flag is set.

Note

The function uses the Sodium library for cryptographic operations and the FLINT library for matrix operations.

4.10 signer.h

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```

00001
00005 #ifndef SIGNER_H
00006 #define SIGNER_H
00007
00008 #include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
00009 #include <stdio.h>
00010 #include "matrix.h"
00011
00012 void generate_signature(nmod_mat_t bin_hash, const unsigned char* message, size_t message_len,
00013                       struct code C_A, struct code C1, struct code C2,
00014                       nmod_mat_t H_A, nmod_mat_t G1, nmod_mat_t G2,
00015                       nmod_mat_t F, nmod_mat_t signature, FILE* output_file);
00016
00017 #endif

```

4.11 signature-scheme/include/utils.h File Reference

Header file for utility functions used in the signature scheme.

```

#include <math.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sodium.h>
#include <stdbool.h>
#include <flint/flint.h>
#include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
#include "matrix.h"

```

Functions

- long [weight](#) (nmod_mat_t array)
This function calculates the Hamming weight of a given matrix row.
- double [binary_entropy](#) (double p)
This function calculates the binary entropy of a given probability.
- void [generate_random_set](#) (unsigned long upper_bound, unsigned long size, unsigned long set[size])
This function generates a random set of unique integers within a specified range and sort the original set according to the ascending order.
- char * [generate_matrix_filename](#) (const char *prefix, int n, int k, int d)
This function generates a filename for a matrix based on a prefix and its dimensions.
- void [save_matrix](#) (const char *filename, const nmod_mat_t matrix)
This function saves a matrix to a text file in a specific format (FLINT matrix format).
- int [load_matrix](#) (const char *filename, nmod_mat_t matrix)
This function loads a matrix from a text file in a specific format (FLINT matrix format).
- int [file_exists](#) (const char *filename)
This function checks if a file exists by attempting to open it in read mode.
- char * [generate_seed_filename](#) (const char *prefix, int n, int k, int d)
This function generates a filename for a seed based on a prefix and its parameters.
- bool [save_seed](#) (const char *filename, const unsigned char *seed)
It is a function that saves a seed to a binary file.
- bool [load_seed](#) (const char *filename, unsigned char *seed)
It is a function that loads a seed from a binary file.
- char * [read_file](#) (const char *filename)
This function reads the contents of a file into a dynamically allocated string.
- char * [read_file_or_generate](#) (const char *filename, int msg_len)
This function reads a message from a file or generates a random message if the file is empty or does not exist.
- bool [load_params](#) (struct [code](#) *C_A, struct [code](#) *C1, struct [code](#) *C2)
This function loads parameters for the codes from a file.
- void [ensure_matrix_cache](#) ()
checks the existence of the matrix cache directory and creates it if it does not exist.
- void [ensure_output_directory](#) ()
checks the existence of the output directory and creates it if it does not exist.
- char * [normalize_message_length](#) (const char *msg, size_t msg_len, size_t target_len, size_t *final_len_out)
This function normalizes the length of a message to a target length by padding or truncating it.

4.11.1 Detailed Description

Header file for utility functions used in the signature scheme.

4.11.2 Function Documentation

4.11.2.1 [binary_entropy\(\)](#)

```
double binary_entropy (
    double p)
```

This function calculates the binary entropy of a given probability.

The binary entropy function computes the entropy of a binary random variable with probability p of being 1. It uses the formula: $H(p) = -p * \log_2(p) - (1 - p) * \log_2(1 - p)$. The function checks if p is within the valid range (0, 1) and returns 0 if p is 0 or 1, as there is no uncertainty in those cases. The logarithm is computed using the `log2` function from the math library, which calculates the base-2 logarithm.

Parameters

p	It is a double representing the probability of a binary event occurring, where $0 < p < 1$.
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Note

The function assumes that the input probability p is a valid value between 0 and 1 (exclusive). If p is outside this range, the function will return 0, indicating no uncertainty. It does not handle cases where p is NaN or infinite.

Returns

double It returns the binary entropy of the given probability p , which is a measure of uncertainty in bits.

4.11.2.2 ensure_matrix_cache()

```
void ensure_matrix_cache ()
```

checks the existence of the matrix cache directory and creates it if it does not exist.

This function checks if the directory "matrix_cache" exists. If it does not, it creates the directory with permissions set to 0700 (read, write, and execute permissions for the owner only). This is useful for storing cached matrices used in the signature scheme. It uses the `stat` function to check for the directory's existence and `mkdir` to create it if necessary. The function does not return any value; it simply ensures that the directory is present before any matrix operations are performed.

Returns

It does not return any value; it simply ensures that the matrix cache directory is present before any matrix operations are performed.

4.11.2.3 ensure_output_directory()

```
void ensure_output_directory ()
```

checks the existence of the output directory and creates it if it does not exist.

This function checks if the directory "output" exists. If it does not, it creates the directory with permissions set to 0700 (read, write, and execute permissions for the owner only). This is useful for storing output files generated by the signature scheme. It uses the `stat` function to check for the directory's existence and `mkdir` to create it if necessary. The function does not return any value; it simply ensures that the output directory is present before any output operations are performed.

Returns

It does not return any value; it simply ensures that the output directory is present before any output operations are performed.

4.11.2.4 file_exists()

```
int file_exists (
    const char * filename)
```

This function checks if a file exists by attempting to open it in read mode.

It takes a filename as input and tries to open the file using `fopen` with the "r" mode, which is for reading. If the file cannot be opened (for example, if it does not exist), `fopen` returns NULL. In this case, the function returns 0 to indicate that the file does not exist. If the file is successfully opened, it is immediately closed using `fclose`, and the function returns 1 to indicate that the file exists.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file to check for existence. The function will attempt to open this file in read mode.
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Note

The function does not perform any additional checks on the file, such as verifying its contents or permissions. It simply checks for the existence of the file by trying to open it. If the file is successfully opened, it is closed immediately after checking.

Returns

int It returns 1 if the file exists (i.e., it can be opened in read mode), or 0 if the file does not exist (i.e., it cannot be opened).

4.11.2.5 generate_matrix_filename()

```
char * generate_matrix_filename (
    const char * prefix,
    int n,
    int k,
    int d)
```

This function generates a filename for a matrix based on a prefix and its dimensions.

The function constructs a filename for a matrix by concatenating a predefined cache directory with a prefix and the dimensions of the matrix (n, k, d). The resulting filename is formatted as "cache_dir/prefix_n_k_d.txt", where `cache_dir` is defined as "matrix_cache/", and `prefix`, `n`, `k`, and `d` are provided as parameters. The function allocates memory for the filename string, formats it using `sprintf`, and returns the pointer to the generated filename.

Parameters

<i>prefix</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that serves as a prefix for the filename. This prefix is typically used to identify the type of matrix or its specific characteristics. example prefixes could be "H_A", "G1", or "G2", depending on the context of the matrix being generated or stored.
<i>n</i>	It is the length of the code.
<i>k</i>	It is the dimension of the code.
<i>d</i>	it is the minimum distance of the code.

Note

The function allocates memory for the filename string, so it is the caller's responsibility to free this memory when it is no longer needed. The maximum length of the generated filename is defined by `MAX_FILENAME_LENGTH`, which should be set appropriately to accommodate the longest expected filename.

Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the generated filename. If memory allocation fails, it returns NULL.

4.11.2.6 generate_random_set()

```
void generate_random_set (
    unsigned long upper_bound,
    unsigned long size,
    unsigned long set[size])
```

This function generates a random set of unique integers within a specified range and sort the original set according to the ascending order.

The function generates a random set of unique integers from 0 to `upper_bound - 1`, ensuring that the size of the set is equal to `size`. It uses the modern Fisher-Yates shuffle algorithm to randomly permute an array of integers from 0 to `upper_bound - 1`, and then selects the first `size` elements from this shuffled array. The resulting set is sorted in ascending order using the `qsort` function with a custom comparison function.

Parameters

<i>upper_bound</i>	It is an unsigned long integer representing the upper limit of the range from which unique integers will be selected. The function will generate integers in the range <code>[0, upper_bound)</code> .
<i>size</i>	It is an unsigned long integer representing the number of unique integers to be generated in the set. The function will ensure that the size of the generated set is equal to this value.
<i>set</i>	It is a pointer to an array of unsigned long integers where the generated unique integers will be stored. The size of this array should be at least <code>size</code> elements to hold the generated set.

Note

- * 1. Initialize an array `arr` containing all integers from 0 to `upper_bound - 1`.
- 1. Shuffle the array in-place using the modern Fisher-Yates shuffle:
 - Iterate from the last element to the second element.
 - In each iteration, generate a random index `j` such that $0 \leq j \leq i$.
 - Swap the elements at indices `i` and `j`.
- 2. Copy the first `size` elements from the shuffled array into `set`.
- 3. Sort the `set` array in ascending order.

4.11.2.7 generate_seed_filename()

```
char * generate_seed_filename (
    const char * prefix,
    int n,
    int k,
    int d)
```

This function generates a filename for a seed based on a prefix and its parameters.

The function constructs a filename for a seed by concatenating a predefined cache directory with a prefix and the parameters `n`, `k`, and `d`. The resulting filename is formatted as `"cache_dir/prefix_n_k_d_seed.bin"`, where `cache_dir` is defined as `"matrix_cache/"`, and `prefix`, `n`, `k`, and `d` are provided as parameters. The function allocates memory for the filename string, formats it using `snprintf`, and returns the pointer to the generated filename.

Parameters

<i>prefix</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that serves as a prefix for the filename. This prefix is typically used to identify the type of seed or its specific characteristics, such as "H_A", "G1", or "G2", depending on the context of the seed being generated or stored.
<i>n</i>	It is an integer representing the length of the code. This value is used to uniquely identify the seed associated with a specific code length.
<i>k</i>	It is an integer representing the dimension of the code. This value is used to uniquely identify the seed associated with a specific code dimension.
<i>d</i>	It is an integer representing the minimum distance of the code. This value is used to uniquely identify the seed associated with a specific code minimum distance.

Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the generated filename. If memory allocation fails, it returns NULL. The caller is responsible for freeing this memory when it is no longer needed.

4.11.2.8 load_matrix()

```
int load_matrix (
    const char * filename,
    nmod_mat_t matrix)
```

This function loads a matrix from a text file in a specific format (FLINT matrix format).

It opens a file with the specified filename for reading. If it fails to open the file, it returns 0. It then reads the dimensions of the matrix (number of rows and columns) from the file. If it fails to read these dimensions, it closes the file and returns 0. The function clears any existing data in the provided matrix, initializes it with the specified dimensions, and then reads each entry of the matrix from the file, setting the corresponding entry in the matrix using `nmod_mat_set_entry`. If it fails to read any value, it closes the file and returns 0. Finally, it closes the file and returns 1 to indicate success.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file from which the matrix will be loaded.
<i>matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents a matrix in the FLINT library.

Note

The file should be in a specific text format that includes the dimensions of the matrix followed by its entries.

Returns

int It returns 1 if the matrix was successfully loaded from the file, or 0 if there was an error (e.g., file not found, failed to read dimensions or values).

4.11.2.9 load_params()

```
bool load_params (
    struct code * C_A,
    struct code * C1,
    struct code * C2)
```

This function loads parameters for the codes from a file.

It opens a file named "params.txt" in read mode and reads key-value pairs from it. The keys correspond to parameters of the codes, such as "H_A_n", "H_A_k", "H_A_d", "G1_n", "G1_k", "G1_d", "G2_n", "G2_k", and "G2_d". For each key, it assigns the corresponding value to the appropriate field in the provided code structures (C_A, C1, and C2). If the file cannot be opened, it prints an error message and returns false. If all parameters are successfully loaded, it returns true.

Parameters

<i>C_A</i>	It is a pointer to the concatenated code structure, which contains parameters for the concatenated code (C_A).
<i>C1</i>	It is a pointer to the first generator code structure, which contains parameters for the first code (C1).
<i>C2</i>	It is a pointer to the second generator code structure, which contains parameters for the second code (C2).

Note

The function assumes that the file "params.txt" exists and is formatted correctly with key-value pairs. If any key is missing or if the file cannot be read, the function will not set the corresponding fields in the code structures.

Returns

true It returns true if the parameters were successfully loaded from the file, meaning that the file was opened, all key-value pairs were read, and the corresponding fields in the code structures were set.

false It returns false if there was an error opening the file or if any key-value pair could not be read, indicating that the parameters were not loaded successfully.

4.11.2.10 load_seed()

```
bool load_seed (
    const char * filename,
    unsigned char * seed)
```

It is a function that loads a seed from a binary file.

The function takes a filename and a pointer to an unsigned char array (seed) as input. It opens the specified file in binary read mode ("rb"). If the file cannot be opened, it returns false. It then reads `SEED_SIZE` bytes from the file into the seed array using `fread`. After reading, it closes the file and checks if the number of bytes read matches `SEED_SIZE`. If they match, it returns true, indicating that the seed was successfully loaded; otherwise, it returns false.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file from which the seed will be loaded. The file should contain binary data representing the seed.
<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the loaded seed data will be stored. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.

Returns

true It returns true if the seed was successfully loaded from the file, meaning that the file was opened, the seed data was read, and the correct number of bytes was read.

false It is false if there was an error opening the file or if the number of bytes read does not match `SEED_SIZE`, indicating that the seed was not loaded successfully.

4.11.2.11 `normalize_message_length()`

```
char * normalize_message_length (
    const char * msg,
    size_t msg_len,
    size_t target_len,
    size_t * final_len_out)
```

This function normalizes the length of a message to a target length by padding or truncating it.

The function takes a message, its length, a target length, and an optional pointer to store the final length. It allocates memory for a new message of the target length. If the original message is shorter than the target length, it copies the original message and fills the remaining space with random uppercase letters (A-Z). If the original message is longer than the target length, it truncates it to fit. If the lengths match, it simply copies the original message. The function returns the newly created message and updates the final length if requested.

Parameters

<i>msg</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that represents the original message to be normalized. The message can be of any length, and the function will either pad it with random characters or truncate it to fit the target length.
<i>msg_len</i>	It is the length of the original message in bytes. This value is used to determine whether the message needs to be padded or truncated to match the target length.
<i>target_len</i>	It is the desired length of the normalized message. The function will ensure that the final message has this exact length by either padding it with random characters or truncating it if necessary.
<i>final_len_out</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>size_t</code> variable where the final length of the normalized message will be stored. This parameter is optional; if it is NULL, the function will not update the final length.

Note

The function allocates memory for the new message, so it is the caller's responsibility to free this memory when it is no longer needed. If memory allocation fails, the function will print an error message and return NULL.

Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the normalized message.

4.11.2.12 read_file()

```
char * read_file (  
    const char * filename)
```

This function reads the contents of a file into a dynamically allocated string.

It opens the specified file in read mode, checks if the file was opened successfully, and then reads its contents into a buffer. The function first seeks to the end of the file to determine its length, rewinds to the beginning, allocates memory for the buffer, and reads the file's contents into it. Finally, it closes the file and returns the buffer containing the file's contents as a null-terminated string. If any step fails (e.g., file not found, memory allocation failure), it prints an error message and returns NULL.

Note

The caller is responsible for freeing the returned buffer after use to avoid memory leaks.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file to be read. The function will attempt to open this file in read mode and read its contents.
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Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the contents of the file. If the file cannot be opened or is empty, it returns NULL.

4.11.2.13 read_file_or_generate()

```
char * read_file_or_generate (  
    const char * filename,  
    int msg_len)
```

This function reads a message from a file or generates a random message if the file is empty or does not exist.

It attempts to open the specified file in read mode. If the file is successfully opened, it checks its length. If the length is zero or less, it generates a random message of a specified length and saves it to the file. If the file contains valid data, it reads the contents into a dynamically allocated string and returns it. If the file cannot be opened, it generates a random message, saves it to the file, and returns that message.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file to read the message from. If the file does not exist or is empty, a random message will be generated and saved to this file.
<i>msg_len</i>	It is an integer representing the length of the message to be generated if the file is empty or does not exist. The function will generate a random message of this length using uppercase letters (A-Z).

Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the message read from the file or the generated random message. If memory allocation fails or if there is an error reading the file, it returns NULL. The caller is responsible for freeing the returned string after use.

4.11.2.14 save_matrix()

```
void save_matrix (
    const char * filename,
    const nmod_mat_t matrix)
```

This function saves a matrix to a text file in a specific format (FLINT matrix format).

The function opens a file with the specified filename for writing. If it fails to open the file, it prints an error message and returns. It then retrieves the number of rows and columns of the matrix using `nmod_mat_nrows` and `nmod_mat_ncols`, respectively, and writes these dimensions to the file. After that, it iterates through each entry of the matrix, retrieves its value using `nmod_mat_entry`, and writes it to the file in a space-separated format. Finally, it closes the file.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file where the matrix will be saved. The file will be created if it does not exist, or overwritten if it does.
<i>matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents a matrix in the FLINT library. The matrix should be initialized and populated with values before calling this function. The function will save the matrix in a specific text format that includes its dimensions followed by its entries.

Note

The function does not perform any error checking on the matrix itself, such as ensuring it is initialized or has valid dimensions. It assumes that the matrix is properly set up before calling this function. The file will be created in the current working directory, and if the file already exists, it will be overwritten.

4.11.2.15 save_seed()

```
bool save_seed (
    const char * filename,
    const unsigned char * seed)
```

It is a function that saves a seed to a binary file.

The function takes a filename and a pointer to an unsigned char array (seed) as input. It opens the specified file in binary write mode ("wb"). If the file cannot be opened, it returns false. It then writes the seed data to the file using `fwrite`, which writes `SEED_SIZE` bytes from the seed array to the file. After writing, it closes the file and checks if the number of bytes written matches `SEED_SIZE`. If they match, it returns true, indicating that the seed was successfully saved; otherwise, it returns false.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is the pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file where the seed will be saved. The file will be created if it does not exist, or overwritten if it does.
<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array that contains the seed data to be saved. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.

Returns

true It returns true if the seed was successfully saved to the file, meaning that the file was opened, the seed data was written, and the correct number of bytes was written.

false It returns false if there was an error opening the file or if the number of bytes written does not match `SEED_SIZE`, indicating that the seed was not saved successfully.

4.11.2.16 weight()

```
long weight (
    nmod_mat_t array)
```

This function calculates the Hamming weight of a given matrix row.

The Hamming weight is the number of non-zero elements in a row of a matrix. This function iterates through the first row of the provided matrix and counts how many entries are equal to 1, which corresponds to the Hamming weight. It assumes that the matrix is represented as an `nmod_mat_t` type from the FLINT library, which allows for efficient access to matrix entries.

Parameters

<code>array</code>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents a matrix in the FLINT library.
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Returns

long The function returns the Hamming weight of the first row of the matrix, which is the count of entries equal to 1.

Note

The function assumes that the matrix has at least one row and that the entries are in the range of 0 to MOD-1, where MOD is defined in the FLINT library. It does not handle cases where the matrix is empty or has no rows.

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```
00001
00005 #ifndef UTILS_H
00006 #define UTILS_H
00007
00008 #include <math.h>
00009 #include <stdlib.h>
00010 #include <sodium.h>
00011 #include <stdbool.h>
00012 #include <flint/flint.h>
00013 #include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
00014 #include "matrix.h"
00015
00016 long weight(nmod_mat_t array);
00017 double binary_entropy(double p);
00018 void generate_random_set(unsigned long upper_bound, unsigned long size, unsigned long set[size]);
00019 char* generate_matrix_filename(const char* prefix, int n, int k, int d);
00020 void save_matrix(const char* filename, const nmod_mat_t matrix);
00021 int load_matrix(const char* filename, nmod_mat_t matrix);
00022 int file_exists(const char* filename);
00023 char* generate_seed_filename(const char* prefix, int n, int k, int d);
00024 bool save_seed(const char* filename, const unsigned char *seed);
00025 bool load_seed(const char* filename, unsigned char *seed);
00026 char *read_file(const char *filename);
00027 char *read_file_or_generate(const char *filename, int msg_len);
00028 bool load_params(struct code *C_A, struct code *C1, struct code *C2);
00029 void ensure_matrix_cache();
00030 void ensure_output_directory();
00031 char *normalize_message_length(const char *msg, size_t msg_len, size_t target_len, size_t
    *final_len_out);
00032
00033 #endif
```

4.13 signature-scheme/include/verifier.h File Reference

It is the header file for the verifier module.

```
#include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include "matrix.h"
```

Functions

- void [verify_signature](#) (nmod_mat_t bin_hash, size_t message_len, unsigned long sig_len, nmod_mat_t signature, nmod_mat_t F, struct [code](#) C_A, nmod_mat_t H_A, FILE *output_file)

This function verifies a digital signature.

4.13.1 Detailed Description

It is the header file for the verifier module.

4.13.2 Function Documentation

4.13.2.1 [verify_signature\(\)](#)

```
void verify_signature (
    nmod_mat_t bin_hash,
    size_t message_len,
    unsigned long sig_len,
    nmod_mat_t signature,
    nmod_mat_t F,
    struct code C_A,
    nmod_mat_t H_A,
    FILE * output_file)
```

This function verifies a digital signature.

This function takes a binary hash of the message, the length of the message, the length of the signature, the signature itself, the matrix F, the code C_A, and the parity-check matrix H_A. At first, it transposes the binary hash and then computes the product of the matrix F and the transposed binary hash. Then transposes the signature and computes the product of the parity-check matrix H_A and the transposed signature. Finally, it checks if the two resulting matrices are equal, indicating that the signature is valid.

Parameters

Note

The function prints debug information if the PRINT flag is set.

Parameters

<i>bin_hash</i>	It is a matrix that holds the binary hash of the message.
<i>message_len</i>	It is the length of the message in bits.
<i>sig_len</i>	It is the length of the signature in bits.
<i>signature</i>	It is a matrix that holds the signature to be verified.
<i>F</i>	It is a matrix that holds the product of the parity-check matrix <i>H_A</i> and the transposed hybrid generator matrix <i>G_star_T</i> . This is used for debugging or verification purposes.
<i>C_A</i>	It is a structure that holds the parameters of the code, including the length of the code (n), the length of the message (k), and the minimum distance (d).
<i>H_A</i>	It is the parity-check matrix for the derived code <i>C_A</i> , which is used to ensure that the generated signature meets the required properties.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a file pointer to the output file where debug information will be printed if the PRINT flag is set.

Returns

void It does not return any value but prints the verification result to the output file.

Note

The function uses the Sodium library for cryptographic operations and the FLINT library for matrix operations.

See also

[print_matrix](#) for printing matrices

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```

00001
00006 #ifndef VERIFIER_H
00007 #define VERIFIER_H
00008
00009 #include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
00010 #include <stdio.h>
00011 #include "matrix.h"
00012
00013 void verify_signature(nmod_mat_t bin_hash, size_t message_len,
00014                     unsigned long sig_len, nmod_mat_t signature,
00015                     nmod_mat_t F, struct code C_A,
00016                     nmod_mat_t H_A, FILE *output_file);
00017
00018 #endif

```

4.15 signature-scheme/src/keygen.c File Reference

Implementation of key generation functions for the signature scheme.

```
#include <string.h>
#include <sodium.h>
#include "keygen.h"
#include "matrix.h"
#include "utils.h"
#include "params.h"
#include "constants.h"
```

Functions

- void [generate_random_seed](#) (unsigned char *seed)
This function generates a random seed of a fixed size.
- void [create_generator_matrix](#) (slong n, slong k, slong d, nmod_mat_t gen_matrix, FILE *output_file)
Create a generator matrix object.
- void [generate_parity_check_matrix](#) (slong n, slong k, slong d, nmod_mat_t H, FILE *output_file)
This function generates a parity check matrix random entries modulo MOD.
- void [create_generator_matrix_from_seed](#) (slong n, slong k, slong d, nmod_mat_t gen_matrix, const unsigned char *seed, FILE *output_file)
Create a generator matrix from seed object.
- void [generate_parity_check_matrix_from_seed](#) (slong n, slong k, slong d, nmod_mat_t H, const unsigned char *seed, FILE *output_file)
This function generates a parity check matrix from a seed.
- void [get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed](#) (const char *prefix, int n, int k, int d, nmod_mat_t matrix, void(*generate_func)(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, FILE *), void(*generate_from_seed_func)(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, const unsigned char *, FILE *), FILE *output_file, bool regenerate, bool use_seed_mode, unsigned char *seed_out)
Get the or generate matrix with seed object.
- void [generate_keys](#) (struct [code](#) *C_A, struct [code](#) *C1, struct [code](#) *C2, nmod_mat_t H_A, nmod_mat_t G1, nmod_mat_t G2, bool use_seed_mode, bool regenerate, FILE *output_file, unsigned char *h_a_seed, unsigned char *g1_seed, unsigned char *g2_seed)
It is a function that generates keys for a signature scheme based on the provided parameters and options.

4.15.1 Detailed Description

Implementation of key generation functions for the signature scheme.

This file contains functions to generate random seeds, create generator matrices, generate parity check matrices, and manage the generation of keys based on either random generation or seed-based deterministic generation. It includes functions to handle file operations for saving and loading matrices and seeds, ensuring that the necessary directories exist, and printing matrices for debugging purposes.

4.15.2 Function Documentation

4.15.2.1 `create_generator_matrix()`

```
void create_generator_matrix (
    slong n,
    slong k,
    slong d,
    nmod_mat_t gen_matrix,
    FILE * output_file)
```

Create a generator matrix object.

This function initializes a generator matrix of size $k \times n$ with random entries modulo MOD. It uses the FLINT library's `nmod_mat_t` type to represent the matrix and fills it with random values using the `nmod_mat_randtest` function. The matrix is initialized with dimensions k (number of rows) and n (number of columns), and the entries are generated randomly in the range of 0 to MOD-1. The process involves the following steps:

- 1. Random State Initialization:**

A FLINT random state (`flint_rand_t`) is initialized using `flint_randinit`. This state is required for generating random numbers in FLINT.

- 2. Matrix Initialization:**

The generator matrix (`gen_matrix`) is initialized with k rows and n columns, and modulus MOD, using `nmod_mat_init`.

- 3. Random Entry Generation:**

The matrix is filled with random values using `nmod_mat_randtest`, which uses the previously initialized random state to populate each entry.

- 4. Random State Cleanup:**

The random state is cleared with `flint_randclear` to free any resources associated with it.

Note

The function does not return any value; it directly modifies the provided `gen_matrix` object. It also initializes a random state using `flint_rand_t` to ensure that the random values are generated correctly.

Parameters

<i>n</i>	It is the total number of columns in the generator matrix. It represents the length of the codewords generated by the matrix.
<i>k</i>	It is the number of rows in the generator matrix. It represents the dimension of the code, which is the number of information symbols that can be encoded.
<i>d</i>	It is the minimum distance of the code. This parameter is not directly used in the function but is typically relevant for the properties of the code being generated.
<i>gen_matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the generator matrix to be created. The function initializes this matrix with random entries modulo MOD.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written. This parameter is optional and can be used for logging purposes, but in this implementation, it is not used.

Returns

`void` This function does not return any value. It modifies the provided `gen_matrix` object directly and fills it with random values.

4.15.2.2 create_generator_matrix_from_seed()

```
void create_generator_matrix_from_seed (
    slong n,
    slong k,
    slong d,
    nmod_mat_t gen_matrix,
    const unsigned char * seed,
    FILE * output_file)
```

Create a generator matrix from seed object.

This function generates a generator matrix of size $k \times n$ using a deterministic approach based on a provided seed. The seed is used to generate random entries in the matrix, ensuring that the same seed will always produce the same matrix. The entries are generated modulo MOD. The process involves the following steps:

1. **Stream Buffer Allocation:** A buffer (`stream`) is allocated to hold the random bytes needed for the matrix entries. The size of this buffer is determined by the number of entries in the matrix ($k * n$) multiplied by the size of each entry (4 bytes for a `uint32_t`).
2. **Deterministic Random Generation:** The `randombytes_buf_deterministic` function from the Sodium library is used to fill the buffer with random bytes based on the provided seed. This ensures that the same seed will always produce the same sequence of random bytes. It's important to note that this function uses the ChaCha20 algorithm under the hood for secure random number generation.
3. **Matrix Entry Population:** The function iterates over each entry in the generator matrix and fills it with values derived from the buffer. Each entry is constructed by combining 4 bytes from the buffer into a single `uint32_t` value, which is then reduced modulo MOD to fit within the required range.
4. **Memory Cleanup:** The allocated buffer is freed to avoid memory leaks.

Note

The function does not return any value; it directly modifies the provided `gen_matrix` object. It also requires a seed to ensure deterministic behavior, which is passed as an argument.

Parameters

<i>n</i>	It is the total number of columns in the generator matrix. It represents the length of the codewords generated by the matrix.
<i>k</i>	It is the number of rows in the generator matrix. It represents the dimension of the code, which is the number of information symbols that can be encoded.
<i>d</i>	It is the minimum distance of the code. This parameter is not directly used in the function but is typically relevant for the properties of the code being generated.
<i>gen_matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the generator matrix to be created. The function initializes this matrix with random entries modulo MOD.
<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array that serves as the seed for the deterministic random number generation. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written.

Returns

void This function does not return any value. It modifies the provided `gen_matrix` object directly and fills it with values derived from the seed.

4.15.2.3 generate_keys()

```
void generate_keys (
    struct code * C_A,
    struct code * C1,
    struct code * C2,
    nmod_mat_t H_A,
    nmod_mat_t G1,
    nmod_mat_t G2,
    bool use_seed_mode,
    bool regenerate,
    FILE * output_file,
    unsigned char * h_a_seed,
    unsigned char * g1_seed,
    unsigned char * g2_seed)
```

It is a function that generates keys for a signature scheme based on the provided parameters and options.

This function generates keys for a signature scheme by creating a parity check matrix (H_A) and two generator matrices (G1 and G2) based on the provided code parameters (C_A, C1, C2). It supports both random generation and seed-based generation of matrices. The generated matrices are saved to files, and if seed-based generation is used, the seeds are also saved.

Parameters

<i>C_A</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>struct code</code> object that contains the parameters for the first code, including its length (n), dimension (k), and minimum distance (d). This code is used to generate the parity check matrix H_A.
<i>C1</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>struct code</code> object that contains the parameters for the first generator code, including its length (n), dimension (k), and minimum distance (d). This code is used to generate the first generator matrix G1.
<i>C2</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>struct code</code> object that contains the parameters for the second generator code, including its length (n), dimension (k), and minimum distance (d). This code is used to generate the second generator matrix G2.
<i>H_A</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the parity check matrix H_A to be generated. The function initializes this matrix with random entries or from a seed, depending on the options provided.
<i>G1</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the first generator matrix G1 to be generated. The function initializes this matrix with random entries or from a seed, depending on the options provided.
<i>G2</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the second generator matrix G2 to be generated. The function initializes this matrix with random entries or from a seed, depending on the options provided.
<i>use_seed_mode</i>	It is a boolean flag that indicates whether to use seed-based generation for the matrices. If set to true, the function will generate the matrices using a seed; if false, it will generate the matrices randomly.
<i>regenerate</i>	It is a boolean flag that indicates whether to regenerate the matrices even if they already exist. If set to true, the function will always generate new matrices; if false, it will load the existing matrices if available.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written. This parameter is optional and can be used for logging purposes, but in this implementation, it is not used.
<i>h_a_seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated seed for the parity check matrix H_A will be stored if seed-based generation is used. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file. If seed-based generation is not used, this parameter can be NULL.

Parameters

<i>g1_seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated seed for the first generator matrix G1 will be stored if seed-based generation is used. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file. If seed-based generation is not used, this parameter can be NULL.
<i>g2_seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated seed for the second generator matrix G2 will be stored if seed-based generation is used. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file. If seed-based generation is not used, this parameter can be NULL.

Returns

void This function does not return any value. It directly modifies the provided matrices (H_A, G1, G2) and saves them to files if necessary. If seed-based generation is used, it also saves the generated seeds to files.

4.15.2.4 generate_parity_check_matrix()

```
void generate_parity_check_matrix (
    slong n,
    slong k,
    slong d,
    nmod_mat_t H,
    FILE * output_file)
```

This function generates a parity check matrix random entries modulo MOD.

The function initializes a parity check matrix of size $(n-k) \times n$ with random entries modulo MOD. It uses the FLINT library's `nmod_mat_t` type to represent the matrix and fills it with random values using the `nmod_mat_randtest` function. The matrix is initialized with dimensions $(n-k)$ (number of rows) and n (number of columns), and the entries are generated randomly in the range of 0 to MOD-1. The process involves the following steps:

1. **Random State Initialization:** A FLINT random state (`flint_rand_t`) is initialized using `flint_randinit`. This state is required for generating random numbers in FLINT.

2. **Matrix Initialization:** The parity check matrix (H) is initialized with $n-k$ rows and n columns, and modulus MOD, using `nmod_mat_init`.

- 3. **Random Entry Generation:** The matrix is filled with random values using `nmod_mat_randtest`, which uses the previously initialized random state to populate each entry.
- 4. **Random State Cleanup:** The random state is cleared with `flint_randclear` to free any resources associated with it.

Parameters

Note

- The function does not return any value; it directly modifies the provided `H` object. It also initializes a random state using `flint_rand_t` to ensure that the random values are generated correctly.

Parameters

<i>n</i>	It is the total number of columns in the parity check matrix. It represents the length of the codewords that the matrix checks for validity.
<i>k</i>	It is the number of rows in the parity check matrix. It represents the dimension of the code, which is the number of information symbols that can be encoded.
<i>d</i>	It is the minimum distance of the code. This parameter is not directly used in the function but is typically relevant for the properties of the code being generated.
<i>H</i>	It is the pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the parity check matrix to be created. The function initializes this matrix with random entries modulo <code>MOD</code> .
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written. This parameter is optional and can be used for logging purposes, but in this implementation, it is not used.

Returns

void This function does not return any value. It modifies the provided `H` object directly and fills it with random values.

4.15.2.5 generate_parity_check_matrix_from_seed()

```
void generate_parity_check_matrix_from_seed (
    slong n,
    slong k,
    slong d,
    nmod_mat_t H,
    const unsigned char * seed,
    FILE * output_file)
```

This function generates a parity check matrix from a seed.

The function initializes a parity check matrix of size $(n-k) \times n$ using a deterministic approach based on a provided seed. The seed is used to generate random entries in the matrix, ensuring that the same seed will always produce the same matrix. The entries are generated modulo `MOD`. The process involves the following steps:

- Stream Buffer Allocation:** A buffer (`stream`) is allocated to hold the random bytes needed for the matrix entries. The size of this buffer is determined by the number of entries in the matrix $((n-k) * n)$ multiplied by the size of each entry (4 bytes for a `uint32_t`).
- Deterministic Random Generation:** The `randombytes_buf_deterministic` function from the Sodium library is used to fill the buffer with random bytes based on the provided seed. This ensures that the same seed will always produce the same sequence of random bytes. It's important to note that this function uses the ChaCha20 algorithm under the hood for secure random number generation.
- Matrix Entry Population:** The function iterates over each entry in the parity check matrix and fills it with values derived from the buffer. Each entry is constructed by combining 4 bytes from the buffer into a single `uint32_t` value, which is then reduced modulo `MOD` to fit within the required range.

- Memory Cleanup:** The allocated buffer is freed to avoid memory leaks.

Note

The function does not return any value; it directly modifies the provided `H` object. It also requires a seed to ensure deterministic behavior, which is passed as an argument.

Parameters

<i>n</i>	It is the total number of columns in the parity check matrix. It represents the length of the codewords that the matrix checks for validity.
<i>k</i>	It is the number of rows in the parity check matrix. It represents the dimension of the code, which is the number of information symbols that can be encoded.
<i>d</i>	It is the minimum distance of the code. This parameter is not directly used in the function but is typically relevant for the properties of the code being generated.
<i>H</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the parity check matrix to be created. The function initializes this matrix with random entries modulo MOD.
<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array that serves as the seed for the deterministic random number generation. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written.

Returns

void This function does not return any value. It modifies the provided `H` object directly and fills it with values derived from the seed.

4.15.2.6 generate_random_seed()

```
void generate_random_seed (
    unsigned char * seed)
```

This function generates a random seed of a fixed size.

The function uses the `randombytes_buf` function from the Sodium library to fill the provided seed buffer with random bytes. The size of the seed is defined by the constant `SEED_SIZE`, which is set to 32 bytes.

Parameters

<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated random seed will be stored. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.
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Returns

void This function does not return any value. It directly modifies the provided `seed` buffer by filling it with random bytes.

4.15.2.7 get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed()

```
void get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed (
    const char * prefix,
    int n,
    int k,
    int d,
    nmod_mat_t matrix,
    void(* generate_func )(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, FILE *),
    void(* generate_from_seed_func )(slong, slong, slong, nmod_mat_t, const unsigned
char *, FILE *),
```

```
FILE * output_file,
bool regenerate,
bool use_seed_mode,
unsigned char * seed_out)
```

Get the or generate matrix with seed object.

This function checks if a matrix file exists for the given parameters (prefix, n, k, d). If it does and regeneration is not requested, it loads the matrix from the file. If the file does not exist or regeneration is requested, it generates a new matrix either using a random generation function or a seed-based generation function. The generated matrix is then saved to a file. This function is designed to handle both random and seed-based generation of matrices, allowing for reproducibility when using the same seed.

Parameters

<i>prefix</i>	It is a string that serves as a prefix for the filename of the matrix. This prefix is used to create a unique filename based on the parameters n, k, and d.
<i>n</i>	It is the total number of columns in the matrix. It represents the length of the codewords generated by the matrix.
<i>k</i>	It is the number of rows in the matrix. It represents the dimension of the code, which is the number of information symbols that can be encoded.
<i>d</i>	It is the minimum distance of the code. This parameter is not directly used in the function but is typically relevant for the properties of the code being generated.
<i>matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents the matrix to be generated or loaded. The function initializes this matrix with random entries or loads it from a file if it already exists.
<i>generate_func</i>	It is a pointer to a function that generates a matrix with random entries. This function should take parameters (n, k, d, matrix, output_file) and fill the matrix with random values.
<i>generate_from_seed_func</i>	It is a pointer to a function that generates a matrix from a seed. This function should take parameters (n, k, d, matrix, seed, output_file) and fill the matrix with values derived from the seed.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>FILE</code> object where any output or debug information can be written. This parameter is optional and can be used for logging purposes, but in this implementation, it is not used.
<i>regenerate</i>	It is a boolean flag that indicates whether to regenerate the matrix even if it already exists. If set to true, the function will always generate a new matrix; if false, it will load the existing matrix if available.
<i>use_seed_mode</i>	It is the boolean flag that indicates whether to use seed-based generation for the matrix. If set to true, the function will generate the matrix using a seed; if false, it will generate the matrix randomly.
<i>seed_out</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the generated seed will be stored if seed-based generation is used. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file. If seed-based generation is not used, this parameter can be NULL.

Returns

void This function does not return any value. It modifies the provided matrix object directly and saves it to a file if necessary.

4.16 signature-scheme/src/main.c File Reference

Main entry point and core command handling for the signature scheme.

```
#include <string.h>
#include <flint/flint.h>
#include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
#include "params.h"
#include "time.h"
#include "keygen.h"
#include "signer.h"
#include "verifier.h"
#include "utils.h"
#include "constants.h"
```

Functions

- `int keygen (int argc, char *argv[])`
It is the key generation function for the signature scheme.
- `int sign (int argc, char *argv[])`
This function is responsible for signing a message using the signature scheme.
- `int verify (int argc, char *argv[])`
This function is responsible for verifying a signature against a message using the signature scheme.
- `int main (int argc, char *argv[])`
It is the main function of the signature scheme program.

4.16.1 Detailed Description

Main entry point and core command handling for the signature scheme.

This file implements the main function and the three primary commands for the signature scheme:

- `keygen`: Key generation
- `sign`: Message signing
- `verify`: Signature verification

Each command is handled by its own function, which parses command-line arguments, manages file I/O, and coordinates the use of supporting modules (matrix operations, parameter loading, etc).

4.16.2 Function Documentation

4.16.2.1 `keygen()`

```
int keygen (
    int argc,
    char * argv[])
```

It is the key generation function for the signature scheme.

At first it checks for command line arguments to determine if it should use seed mode or regenerate keys. It then opens the output file to write the generated keys. It retrieves user input for the parameters of the keys, initializes matrices for the codes, and generates the keys based on the specified parameters. The generated keys are written to the output file, and the matrices are cleared before closing the output file.

See also

[get_user_input](#)
[generate_keys](#)
[load_params](#)
[get_H_A_n](#)
[get_H_A_k](#)
[get_H_A_d](#)
[get_G1_n](#)
[get_G1_k](#)
[get_G1_d](#)
[get_G2_n](#)
[get_G2_k](#)
[get_G2_d](#)
[load_params](#)
[generate_keys](#)

Parameters

<i>argc</i>	It is the number of command line arguments passed to the keygen function.
<i>argv</i>	It is an array of strings representing the command line arguments passed to the keygen function.

Returns

int It returns 0 on success, or a non-zero value on failure.

4.16.2.2 main()

```
int main (  
    int argc,  
    char * argv[])
```

It is the main function of the signature scheme program.

It handles command line arguments to either generate keys, sign a message, or verify a signature. It supports three main commands: `keygen`, `sign`, and `verify`.

- `keygen`: Generates the keys required for the signature scheme.
- `sign`: Signs a message using the generated keys.
- `verify`: Verifies a signature against a message using the public key. It also checks for the existence of necessary directories (matrix cache and output directory) and initializes them if they do not exist.

See also

[ensure_matrix_cache](#)
[ensure_output_directory](#)

Parameters

<code>argc</code>	It is the number of command line arguments passed to the program.
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It is used to determine how many arguments were provided and to parse them accordingly.

Parameters

<code>argv</code>	It is an array of strings representing the command line arguments passed to the program.
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Each element in the array corresponds to a command line argument, with `argv[0]` being the program name and subsequent elements being the actual arguments provided by the user. This array is used to determine the command to execute (key generation, signing, or verification) and to parse any additional options or parameters that may be required for those commands. The program expects specific commands and options to be provided, and it uses this array to handle those commands appropriately.

Returns

int It returns 0 on success, or a non-zero value on failure.

The return value indicates the success or failure of the operation performed by the main function. If the command is recognized and executed successfully (key generation, signing, or verification), it returns 0. If there are errors such as missing arguments, unrecognized commands, or file I/O issues, it returns a non-zero value to indicate failure. This allows the calling environment (such as a shell or another program) to determine whether the operation was successful or if there were errors that need to be addressed.

4.16.2.3 sign()

```
int sign (
    int argc,
    char * argv[])
```

This function is responsible for signing a message using the signature scheme.

It processes command line arguments to get the message file and output signature file. At first it checks if the message file is provided, and if not, it prints usage instructions. Then it loads the parameters for the codes, reads the message from the file or generates it if not found, and normalizes the message length. It initializes matrices for the codes and generates the necessary matrices (H_A, G1, G2) using the specified parameters. The function then generates the signature by calling `generate_signature`, which computes the signature based on the message and the codes. Finally, it saves the generated signature, hash, and public key to the output directory, clears the matrices, and frees the allocated memory for the message.

See also

[load_params](#)
[read_file_or_generate](#)
[normalize_message_length](#)
[get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed](#)
[generate_signature](#)
[save_matrix](#)
[load_matrix](#)

Note

This function uses Flint's `nmod_mat_t` for matrix operations, which are essential for the signature generation process.

Parameters

<i>argc</i>	It is the number of command line arguments passed to the sign function.
<i>argv</i>	It is an array of strings representing the command line arguments passed to the sign function.

Returns

int It returns 0 on success, or a non-zero value on failure.

4.16.2.4 verify()

```
int verify (  
    int argc,  
    char * argv[])
```

This function is responsible for verifying a signature against a message using the signature scheme.

It processes command line arguments to get the message file and signature file. At first it checks if both the message file and signature file are provided, and if not, it prints usage instructions. It loads the parameters for the codes, reads the message from the file, and initializes matrices for the codes. The function then loads the signature from the specified file and generates the parity check matrix (H_A) using the specified parameters. It also loads the hash of the message and the public key matrix (F) from the output directory. Finally, it verifies the signature by calling `verify_signature`, which checks if the signature is valid for the given message and parameters. The results of the verification are written to an output file.

See also

[load_params](#)
[read_file](#)
[load_matrix](#)
[get_or_generate_matrix_with_seed](#)
[verify_signature](#)

Note

These functions use Flint's `nmod_mat_t` for matrix operations, which are essential for the signature verification process.

Parameters

<i>argc</i>	It is the number of command line arguments passed to the verify function.
<i>argv</i>	It is an array of strings representing the command line arguments passed to the verify function.

Returns

int It returns 0 on success, or a non-zero value on failure.

4.17 signature-scheme/src/matrix.c File Reference

Implementation of matrix operations for the signature scheme.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sodium.h>
#include <flint/flint.h>
#include <flint/nmod_mat.h>
```

Functions

- void [print_matrix](#) (FILE *fp, nmod_mat_t matrix)
The print_matrix function is designed to output the contents of a matrix to a specified file stream, such as a file or the console.
- void [transpose_matrix](#) (int rows, int cols, int matrix[rows][cols], int transpose[cols][rows])
The function computes the transpose of a two-dimensional integer matrix.
- void [multiply_matrices_gf2](#) (nmod_mat_t C, const nmod_mat_t A, const nmod_mat_t B)
The function performs matrix multiplication over the finite field GF(2)
- static void [swap_columns](#) (size_t n, size_t k, size_t first, size_t second, nmod_mat_t H)
The function swaps two(first and second) columns in the matrix H for a specified range of rows.
- void [make_systematic](#) (size_t n, size_t k, nmod_mat_t H)
The function transforms a parity check matrix H into systematic form.
- void [ref](#) (int num_rows, int num_cols, int(*H)[num_cols])
The function transforms a binary matrix into its Reduced Row Echelon Form(RREF).

4.17.1 Detailed Description

Implementation of matrix operations for the signature scheme.

This file provides functions for matrix operations such as printing matrices, transposing matrices, multiplying matrices over GF(2), and transforming matrices into systematic form. It also includes functions for performing row reduction to echelon form. The operations are primarily used for handling parity check matrices and generator matrices in the context of error-correcting codes.

4.17.2 Function Documentation

4.17.2.1 make_systematic()

```
void make_systematic (
    size_t n,
    size_t k,
    nmod_mat_t H)
```

The function transforms a parity check matrix H into systematic form.

This function takes a parity check matrix H, which is represented as an nmod_mat_t type from the FLINT library, and transforms it into systematic form. Systematic form means that the first k columns of the matrix will be an identity matrix, and the remaining columns will contain the parity check bits. The function computes $r = n - k$ and scans columns to find unit vectors (columns with a single 1 in the top r rows). When such a column is found, it is swapped into the correct position to form an identity matrix. This continues until r such columns are placed, at which point the matrix is in (partial) systematic form. It's a greedy approach that works well if the matrix is already close to systematic.

Note

The function assumes that the matrix H is well-formed and that the number of rows n and columns k are correctly defined such that $n \geq k$. It does not perform any bounds checking on the indices.

Parameters

n	is the total number of rows in the matrix H , which is used to determine the range of rows that will be affected by the transformation.
k	is the number of columns in the matrix H , which is used to determine the number of rows that will be transformed into an identity matrix.

The function uses the `nmod_mat_get_entry` and `nmod_mat_set_entry` functions from the FLINT library to access and modify matrix entries. It iterates through each column of the matrix, checking for unit vectors and swapping them into the correct position.

Parameters

H	is the parity check matrix that will be transformed into systematic form, represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library.
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Returns

void This function does not return a value; it modifies the matrix H in place to transform it into systematic form.

4.17.2.2 multiply_matrices_gf2()

```
void multiply_matrices_gf2 (
    nmod_mat_t C,
    const nmod_mat_t A,
    const nmod_mat_t B)
```

The function performs matrix multiplication over the finite field GF(2)

This function multiplies two matrices A and B , both defined over the finite field GF(2), and stores the result in matrix C . The multiplication is performed using bitwise operations, where addition is equivalent to XOR and multiplication is equivalent to AND. The function multiplies matrices over GF(2) using three nested loops. The outer loops iterate over rows of A and columns of B to compute each entry of the result matrix C . For each (i, j) entry, it initializes $C[i][j]$ to 0, then uses the inner loop to XOR the bitwise AND of $A[i][k]$ and $B[k][j]$ into $C[i][j]$. This performs matrix multiplication using bitwise operations, with $\&$ as multiplication and \wedge as addition in GF(2). The function assumes the matrices are properly initialized and dimensionally compatible.

Parameters

A	is the first matrix to be multiplied, represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library.
B	is the second matrix to be multiplied, also represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library.

Note

The function assumes that the matrices A and B are compatible for multiplication, meaning the number of columns in A must equal the number of rows in B . It also assumes that the result matrix C has been initialized with appropriate dimensions to hold the product of A and B .

The function uses the `nmod_mat_get_entry` and `nmod_mat_set_entry` functions from the FLINT library to access and modify matrix entries. It iterates through each row of A and each column of B , computing the product for each entry in C .

Parameters

<i>C</i>	the result matrix where the product of A and B will be stored, also represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library.
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Returns

void This function does not return a value; it modifies the matrix *C* in place to store the result of the multiplication.

4.17.2.3 `print_matrix()`

```
void print_matrix (
    FILE * fp,
    nmod_mat_t matrix)
```

The `print_matrix` function is designed to output the contents of a matrix to a specified file stream, such as a file or the console.

It takes two parameters: a `FILE *fp`, which is the output stream, and an `nmod_mat_t matrix`, which represents the matrix to be printed. The function begins by printing the dimensions of the matrix in the format `<rows x columns matrix>`, using the `r` and `c` fields of `nmod_mat_t matrix`.

- It then iterates through each row and column of the matrix, printing each entry in a formatted manner. Each row is enclosed in square brackets, and entries are separated by spaces. After printing all entries in a row, it moves to the next line for the next row.

Parameters

<i>fp</i>	is the file pointer to which the matrix will be printed. This can be a file opened in write mode or <code>stdout</code> for console output.
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Note

The function assumes that the matrix is non-empty and that the `nmod_mat_t` structure is properly initialized. It does not handle any errors related to file operations or matrix initialization.

Parameters

<i>matrix</i>	The matrix to be printed, represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library. This structure allows efficient access and manipulation of matrix data under modular arithmetic.
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Returns

void This function does not return a value; it performs output operations directly to the specified file stream.

4.17.2.4 rref()

```
void rref (
    int num_rows,
    int num_cols,
    int (*) H[num_cols])
```

The function transforms a binary matrix into its Reduced Row Echelon Form(RREF).

This function takes a binary matrix H, represented as a two-dimensional array of integers, and transforms it into its Reduced Row Echelon Form (RREF). The RREF is a form where each leading entry in a row is 1, and all entries in the column above and below each leading 1 are 0. The function performs forward and back substitution to achieve this form. It iterates through the columns of the matrix, finding non-zero elements to use as pivot points, and then eliminates other entries in the same column by XORing rows.

Parameters

<i>num_rows</i>	is the number of rows in the matrix <i>H</i> , which is used to determine the range of rows that will be affected by the transformation.
<i>num_cols</i>	is the number of columns in the matrix <i>H</i> , which is used to determine the range of columns that will be affected by the transformation.
<i>H</i>	is the binary matrix that will be transformed into Reduced Row Echelon Form, represented as a two-dimensional array of integers. Each entry in the matrix is either 0 or 1, representing elements in GF(2).

Note

The notation `(*H)[num_cols]` in the function parameter list means that *H* is a pointer to an array of `num_cols` integers. In other words, *H* points to the first element of a 2D array where each row contains `num_cols` elements. This allows you to use `H[i][j]` inside the function to access the element at row *i* and column *j*, just like with a regular 2D array. The compiler needs to know the size of each row (`num_cols`) to correctly compute the memory offset for each element. This is why `num_cols` must be specified in the parameter type.

4.17.2.5 swap_columns()

```
void swap_columns (
    size_t n,
    size_t k,
    size_t first,
    size_t second,
    nmod_mat_t H) [static]
```

The function swaps two(*first* and *second*) columns in the matrix *H* for a specified range of rows.

This function is designed to swap two columns in a matrix *H*, specifically for the first *n-k* rows of the matrix. The function takes the number of rows *n*, the number of columns *k*, and the indices of the two columns to be swapped (*first* and *second*). It iterates through each row from 0 to *n-k-1* and swaps the entries in the specified columns.

Parameters

<i>n</i>	is the total number of rows in the matrix <i>H</i> .
<i>k</i>	is the number of columns in the matrix <i>H</i> , which is used to determine the range of rows that will be affected by the column swap.
<i>first</i>	is the index of the first column to be swapped.
<i>second</i>	is the index of the second column to be swapped.

Note

The function assumes that the indices *first* and *second* are valid column indices within the range of the matrix *H*, and that *n* and *k* are correctly defined such that $n \geq k$. It does not perform any bounds checking on the indices.

Parameters

<i>H</i>	is the matrix in which the columns will be swapped, represented as an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type from the FLINT library.
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The function uses the `nmod_mat_get_entry` and `nmod_mat_set_entry` functions from the FLINT library to access and modify matrix entries. It iterates through each row from 0 to *n-k-1*, swapping the entries in the specified columns.

4.17.2.6 transpose_matrix()

```
void transpose_matrix (
    int rows,
    int cols,
    int matrix[rows][cols],
    int transpose[cols][rows])
```

The function computes the transpose of a two-dimensional integer matrix.

This function takes a matrix defined by its number of rows and columns, and fills a new matrix with the transposed values. The transpose of a matrix is obtained by swapping its rows and columns, meaning that the element at position (i, j) in the original matrix becomes the element at position (j, i) in the transposed matrix. So that the elements of the first row in the original matrix becomes the elements at the first column in the transposed matrix.

Parameters

<i>rows</i>	It is the number of rows in the original matrix.
<i>cols</i>	It is the number of columns in the original matrix.

Note

The function assumes that the input matrix is well-formed and that the transpose matrix has been allocated with appropriate dimensions.

Parameters

<i>matrix</i>	The original matrix to be transposed, represented as a two-dimensional array of integers.
<i>transpose</i>	The transposed matrix, which will be filled with the transposed values of the original matrix.

Returns

void This function does not return a value; it modifies the `transpose` matrix in place.

4.18 signature-scheme/src/params.c File Reference

Implementation of parameter handling functions for the signature scheme.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <sodium.h>
#include "params.h"
#include "constants.h"
```


Functions

- void `init_params` (void)
Initializes the libsodium library.
- uint32_t `random_range` (uint32_t min, uint32_t max)
It generates a random number in the range [min, max].
- static void `generate_random_params` (Params *p)
Generates random parameters for the Params structure.
- bool `get_yes_no_input` (const char *prompt)
Get the yes no input object.
- static void `get_param_input` (Params *p, const char *name)
Get the param input object.
- void `get_user_input` (Params *g1, Params *g2, Params *h)
Get user input for parameters.
- uint32_t `get_H_A_n` (void)
Returns the n parameter of the concatenated code H_A.
- uint32_t `get_H_A_k` (void)
Returns the k parameter of the concatenated code H_A.
- uint32_t `get_H_A_d` (void)
Returns the d parameter of the concatenated code H_A.
- uint32_t `get_G1_n` (void)
Returns the n parameter of the generator matrix G1.
- uint32_t `get_G1_k` (void)
Returns the k parameter of the generator matrix G1.
- uint32_t `get_G1_d` (void)
Returns the d parameter of the generator matrix G1.
- uint32_t `get_G2_n` (void)
Returns the n parameter of the generator matrix G2.
- uint32_t `get_G2_k` (void)
Returns the k parameter of the generator matrix G2.
- uint32_t `get_G2_d` (void)
Returns the d parameter of the generator matrix G2.

Variables

- static char * `MESSAGE` = NULL
Static pointer to a message string.
- static size_t `MESSAGE_LEN` = 0
It's the length of the message.

Static Global Parameters

Parameters used for the generator and concatenated codes.

- static Params `G1`
- static Params `G2`
- static Params `H_A`

4.18.1 Detailed Description

Implementation of parameter handling functions for the signature scheme.

This file provides functions for initializing, generating, reading, and handling parameters used in the signature scheme. It manages parameters for generator matrices and concatenated codes, supports random and user-defined parameter generation, and handles persistent storage of parameters.

Main functionalities include:

- Initialization of the libsodium library for cryptographic randomness.
- Generation of random parameters within specified ranges.
- Interactive user input for code parameters, including support for BCH code parameters.
- Reading and writing parameter sets to a persistent file.
- Accessor functions for retrieving current parameter values.

The parameters managed include those for two generator matrices (G1, G2) and a concatenated code (H_A).

4.18.2 Function Documentation

4.18.2.1 generate_random_params()

```
void generate_random_params (
    Params * p) [static]
```

Generates random parameters for the [Params](#) structure.

This function generates random values for n, k, and d within specified ranges. It ensures that n is greater than both k and d. here the n, k, and d values are generated in the range of 16 to 17 for n, 6 to 7 for k, and 3 to 4 for d.

Parameters

<i>p</i>	Pointer to the Params structure to be filled with random values.
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4.18.2.2 get_G1_d()

```
uint32_t get_G1_d (
    void )
```

Returns the d parameter of the generator matrix G1.

Returns

The value of G1.d

4.18.2.3 `get_G1_k()`

```
uint32_t get_G1_k (  
    void )
```

Returns the k parameter of the generator matrix G1.

Returns

The value of G1.k

4.18.2.4 `get_G1_n()`

```
uint32_t get_G1_n (  
    void )
```

Returns the n parameter of the generator matrix G1.

Returns

The value of G1.n

4.18.2.5 `get_G2_d()`

```
uint32_t get_G2_d (  
    void )
```

Returns the d parameter of the generator matrix G2.

Returns

The value of G2.d

4.18.2.6 `get_G2_k()`

```
uint32_t get_G2_k (  
    void )
```

Returns the k parameter of the generator matrix G2.

Returns

The value of G2.k

4.18.2.7 `get_G2_n()`

```
uint32_t get_G2_n (  
    void )
```

Returns the `n` parameter of the generator matrix `G2`.

Returns

The value of `G2.n`

4.18.2.8 `get_H_A_d()`

```
uint32_t get_H_A_d (  
    void )
```

Returns the `d` parameter of the concatenated code `H_A`.

Returns

The value of `H_A.d`

4.18.2.9 `get_H_A_k()`

```
uint32_t get_H_A_k (  
    void )
```

Returns the `k` parameter of the concatenated code `H_A`.

Returns

The value of `H_A.k`

4.18.2.10 `get_H_A_n()`

```
uint32_t get_H_A_n (  
    void )
```

Returns the `n` parameter of the concatenated code `H_A`.

Returns

The value of `H_A.n`

4.18.2.11 `get_param_input()`

```
void get_param_input (  
    Params * p,  
    const char * name) [static]
```

Get the param input object.

This function prompts the user to input parameters for a given code (`G1`, `G2` and `H_A`). It takes a pointer to a [Params](#) structure and a name string as arguments. The function will repeatedly ask the user for input until valid parameters are provided (i.e., `n > k` and `n > d`). If the user inputs invalid parameters, it will prompt them to try again. the name param is used to identify which code the parameters are for (e.g., "`G1`", "`G2`", or "`H_A`"). The validity of the parameters is checked to ensure that `n` is either greater than `k` or `d`. If the input is invalid, it will prompt the user to try again.

Parameters

<i>p</i>	is the pointer to the Params structure where the parameters will be stored.
<i>name</i>	is the name of the code for which parameters are being input (e.g., "G1", "G2", or "H_A").

4.18.2.12 `get_user_input()`

```
void get_user_input (
    Params * g1,
    Params * g2,
    Params * h)
```

Get user input for parameters.

This function checks if a saved parameter file exists and prompts the user to use it. If not, it asks the user whether they want to use BCH code or input G1 and G2 parameters manually. It generates random parameters if the user chooses not to input them. The function also saves the parameters to a file for future use. At first it checks if a saved parameter file exists. If it does, it prompts the user to use it. If the user chooses not to use the saved parameters, it asks whether they want to use BCH code or input G1 and G2 parameters manually.

- For the BCH code, it calculates the parameters based on user input for m and t , ensuring that the derived values for n , k , and d are consistent across G1 and G2. The parameters for H_A are derived from G1 and G2. m is the degree of the BCH code, and t is the error-correcting capability. The parameters are calculated as follows:
 - $n = 2^m - 1$ (length of the codeword)
 - $k = m * t$ (length of the message)
 - $d = 2 * t + 1$ (minimum distance of the code)
- If the user chooses to input G1 and G2 parameters manually, it prompts for each parameter (n , k , d) and checks their validity. If the user does not want to input parameters, it generates random parameters for G1 and G2.

After gathering the parameters, it saves them to a file named Defined as `PARAM_PATH` for future use. The parameters for G1, G2, and H_A are printed to the console for confirmation.

Parameters

<i>g1</i>	Pointer to Params structure for G1 parameters.
<i>g2</i>	Pointer to Params structure for G2 parameters.
<i>h</i>	Pointer to Params structure for H_A parameters.

4.18.2.13 `get_yes_no_input()`

```
bool get_yes_no_input (
    const char * prompt)
```

Get the yes no input object.

Parameters

<i>prompt</i>	It is a string that will be displayed to the user as a prompt.
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This function prompts the user for a yes or no response. It reads the user's input and checks for the 1st character of it. It returns true for 'y' or 'Y', and false for 'n' or 'N'. If the input is invalid, it will terminate the program with failure.

Returns

true if the input's 1st character is 'y' or 'Y'.
false if the input's 1st character is 'n' or 'N'.

4.18.2.14 init_params()

```
void init_params (
    void )
```

Initializes the libsodium library.

This function should be called before using any other libsodium functions. The libsodium library is used for generating random numbers in this implementation.

Note

If libsodium fails to initialize, the program will exit with an error message.

See also

sodium_init

4.18.2.15 random_range()

```
uint32_t random_range (
    uint32_t min,
    uint32_t max)
```

It generates a random number in the range [min, max].

This function uses the libsodium library to generate a uniform random unsigned 32bit number. Basically, it generates a random number in the range [0, max-min] and adds with min.

Parameters

<i>min</i>	The minimum value of the range (inclusive).
<i>max</i>	The maximum value of the range (inclusive).

Returns

uint32_t The generated random number.

Note

This function assumes that `max` is greater than or equal to `min`.

See also

randombytes_uniform

4.18.3 Variable Documentation

4.18.3.1 G1

`Params G1 [static]`

Parameters of the generator matrix for the first code (C1).

4.18.3.2 G2

`Params G2 [static]`

Parameters for the generator matrix for the second code (C2).

4.18.3.3 H_A

`Params H_A [static]`

Parameters for the concatenated code (C_A).

4.18.3.4 MESSAGE

`char* MESSAGE = NULL [static]`

Static pointer to a message string.

This variable is used to store a message as a dynamically allocated string. It is initialized to NULL and should be assigned before use. Being static, it has internal linkage and is only accessible within this source file.

4.18.3.5 MESSAGE_LEN

`size_t MESSAGE_LEN = 0 [static]`

It's the length of the message.

This is used to allocate memory for the message and to ensure that the message is processed correctly. This is used to determine the size of the message. It is initialized to 0 and will be set when the message is read or generated.

4.19 signature-scheme/src/signer.c File Reference

This file contains the implementation of the signature generation function.

```
#include <sodium.h>
#include <stdbool.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "signer.h"
#include "utils.h"
#include "matrix.h"
#include "constants.h"
```

Functions

- void `generate_signature` (nmod_mat_t bin_hash, const unsigned char *message, size_t message_len, struct code C_A, struct code C1, struct code C2, nmod_mat_t H_A, nmod_mat_t G1, nmod_mat_t G2, nmod_mat_t F, nmod_mat_t signature, FILE *output_file)

This function generates a signature based on the provided parameters.

4.19.1 Detailed Description

This file contains the implementation of the signature generation function.

This function generates a signature based on the provided parameters, including the binary hash of the message, the code parameters, and the generator matrices. It uses the Sodium library for cryptographic operations and matrix operations for handling the codewords. The signature is generated by combining the binary hash with the generator matrix and ensuring that the weight of the signature meets the minimum distance requirement of the code. The function also prints debug information if the PRINT flag is set.

4.19.2 Function Documentation

4.19.2.1 generate_signature()

```
void generate_signature (
    nmod_mat_t bin_hash,
    const unsigned char * message,
    size_t message_len,
    struct code C_A,
    struct code C1,
    struct code C2,
    nmod_mat_t H_A,
    nmod_mat_t G1,
    nmod_mat_t G2,
    nmod_mat_t F,
    nmod_mat_t signature,
    FILE * output_file)
```

This function generates a signature based on the provided parameters.

This function generates a digital signature for a given message using a code-based cryptographic approach. The signature is created by constructing a hybrid generator matrix from two codes (C1 and C2), salting the message, hashing it using SHA-256, and encoding the resulting binary hash vector as a codeword. The process ensures that the signature meets the minimum weight requirement specified by code C_A. It uses matrix operations over finite fields via the FLINT library (nmod_mat_t) and cryptographic hashing and randomness via Libsodium.

The function performs the following steps:

1. Allocate an array J to hold a random selection of indices from [0, C_A.n - 1].
2. Generate a random permutation of size C1.n and store it in J.
3. Initialize the matrix G_star (size C1.k × C_A.n) which will hold the combined generator matrix.
4. For each column index i from 0 to C_A.n - 1: a. If i is in J (i.e., selected for G1), copy the corresponding column from G1 to G_star. b. Otherwise, copy the next available column from G2 to G_star.
5. Free the random index array J as it's no longer needed.

6. If PRINT is enabled, print the contents of `G_star` to the output file.
7. Transpose `G_star` to obtain `G_star_T`.
8. Compute $F = H_A \times G_star_T$. This may be used for constraint checking or debugging.
9. Begin a loop to compute a valid signature:
 - a. Allocate and fill a buffer with the original message followed by a random salt of the same length.
 - b. Hash the salted message using SHA-256.
 - c. Convert the resulting hash into a binary vector (0s and 1s) to fill the `bin_hash` matrix.
 - d. Multiply `bin_hash` with `G_star` to produce the signature matrix.
 - e. If the weight (Hamming weight) of the signature is less than `C_A.d` (minimum distance), repeat the loop.
10. If PRINT is enabled, print the binary hash matrix to the output file.
11. Clear memory used by `G_star` and `G_star_T`.

Note

This function assumes that the input matrices and codes are properly initialized and that the MOD constant is defined for finite field operations.

Parameters

<i>bin_hash</i>	It is a matrix that will hold the binary hash of the message.
<i>message</i>	It is the input message for which the signature is being generated.
<i>message_len</i>	It is the length of the input message in bytes.
<i>C_A</i>	It is the derived code that defines the parameters for the signature generation, including the length of the code (n), the length of the message (k), and the minimum distance (d).
<i>C1</i>	It is the first code used in the signature generation process, which provides part of the generator matrix.
<i>C2</i>	It is the second code used in the signature generation process, which provides the remaining part of the generator matrix.
<i>H_A</i>	It is the parity-check matrix for the derived code <code>C_A</code> , which is used to ensure that the generated signature meets the required properties.
<i>G1</i>	It is the generator matrix for the first code <code>C1</code> , which is used to construct part of the hybrid generator matrix.
<i>G2</i>	It is the generator matrix for the second code <code>C2</code> , which is used to construct the remaining part of the hybrid generator matrix.
<i>F</i>	It is a matrix that will hold the product of the parity-check matrix <code>H_A</code> and the transposed hybrid generator matrix <code>G_star_T</code> . This is used for debugging or verification purposes.
<i>signature</i>	It is the output matrix that will hold the generated signature for the input message.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a file pointer to the output file where debug information will be printed if the PRINT flag is set.

Note

The function uses the Sodium library for cryptographic operations and the FLINT library for matrix operations.

4.20 signature-scheme/src/utils.c File Reference

implementation of utility functions for file and directory management, matrix operations, and random number generation used in the signature scheme.

```
#include <stdbool.h>
#include <string.h>
```

```
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include "params.h"
#include "utils.h"
#include "constants.h"
```

Functions

- void [ensure_matrix_cache](#) ()
checks the existence of the matrix cache directory and creates it if it does not exist.
- void [ensure_output_directory](#) ()
checks the existence of the output directory and creates it if it does not exist.
- static int [compare_ints](#) (const void *a, const void *b)
This function compares two integers for sorting purposes.
- long [weight](#) (nmod_mat_t array)
This function calculates the Hamming weight of a given matrix row.
- double [binary_entropy](#) (double p)
This function calculates the binary entropy of a given probability.
- void [generate_random_set](#) (unsigned long upper_bound, unsigned long size, unsigned long set[size])
This function generates a random set of unique integers within a specified range and sort the original set according to the ascending order.
- char * [generate_matrix_filename](#) (const char *prefix, int n, int k, int d)
This function generates a filename for a matrix based on a prefix and its dimensions.
- void [save_matrix](#) (const char *filename, const nmod_mat_t matrix)
This function saves a matrix to a text file in a specific format (FLINT matrix format).
- int [load_matrix](#) (const char *filename, nmod_mat_t matrix)
This function loads a matrix from a text file in a specific format (FLINT matrix format).
- int [file_exists](#) (const char *filename)
This function checks if a file exists by attempting to open it in read mode.
- char * [generate_seed_filename](#) (const char *prefix, int n, int k, int d)
This function generates a filename for a seed based on a prefix and its parameters.
- bool [save_seed](#) (const char *filename, const unsigned char *seed)
It is a function that saves a seed to a binary file.
- bool [load_seed](#) (const char *filename, unsigned char *seed)
It is a function that loads a seed from a binary file.
- char * [read_file](#) (const char *filename)
This function reads the contents of a file into a dynamically allocated string.
- char * [read_file_or_generate](#) (const char *filename, int msg_len)
This function reads a message from a file or generates a random message if the file is empty or does not exist.
- bool [load_params](#) (struct [code](#) *C_A, struct [code](#) *C1, struct [code](#) *C2)
This function loads parameters for the codes from a file.
- char * [normalize_message_length](#) (const char *msg, size_t msg_len, size_t target_len, size_t *final_len_out)
This function normalizes the length of a message to a target length by padding or truncating it.

4.20.1 Detailed Description

implementation of utility functions for file and directory management, matrix operations, and random number generation used in the signature scheme.

This file provides functions to ensure the existence of necessary directories, create and manage matrix files, randomly generate sets, perform various matrix operations and message manipulations. It begins with standard and project-specific headers, and includes functions like `ensure_matrix_cache` and `ensure_output_directory` to create necessary directories if missing. It defines `compare_ints` for sorting, `weight` for computing the Hamming weight of a matrix row, and `binary_entropy` for entropy calculation. Random subsets are generated using `generate_random_set`, which applies the Fisher-Yates shuffle and sorting. Matrix-related tasks such as naming, saving, and loading are handled using FLINT matrix functions through `generate_matrix_filename`, `save_matrix`, and `load_matrix`. File handling includes checking for existence, saving seeds, and managing input/output files. `read_file_or_generate` ensures a message is available by reading it from a file or generating one if missing, while `normalize_message_length` ensures proper length. Finally, `load_params` loads code parameters from a file into program structures. The module emphasizes robustness and reusability, streamlining I/O, randomness, and matrix handling for the broader cryptographic system.

4.20.2 Function Documentation

4.20.2.1 `binary_entropy()`

```
double binary_entropy (
    double p)
```

This function calculates the binary entropy of a given probability.

The binary entropy function computes the entropy of a binary random variable with probability p of being 1. It uses the formula: $H(p) = -p * \log_2(p) - (1 - p) * \log_2(1 - p)$. The function checks if p is within the valid range (0, 1) and returns 0 if p is 0 or 1, as there is no uncertainty in those cases. The logarithm is computed using the `log2` function from the math library, which calculates the base-2 logarithm.

Parameters

p	It is a double representing the probability of a binary event occurring, where $0 < p < 1$.
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Note

The function assumes that the input probability p is a valid value between 0 and 1 (exclusive). If p is outside this range, the function will return 0, indicating no uncertainty. It does not handle cases where p is NaN or infinite.

Returns

double It returns the binary entropy of the given probability p , which is a measure of uncertainty in bits.

4.20.2.2 `compare_ints()`

```
int compare_ints (
    const void * a,
    const void * b) [static]
```

This function compares two integers for sorting purposes.

This function is used as a comparison function for sorting arrays of integers. It takes two pointers to integers, dereferences them to get the actual integer values, and then compares them. It returns -1 if the first integer is less than the second, 1 if the first integer is greater than the second, and 0 if they are equal. This function is typically used with the `qsort` function from the C standard library to sort arrays of integers in ascending order.

Parameters

<i>a</i>	Pointer to the first element (of type <code>const void*</code>) to compare.
<i>b</i>	Pointer to the second element (of type <code>const void*</code>) to compare.

Returns

int Comparison result: -1, 0, or 1.

4.20.2.3 ensure_matrix_cache()

```
void ensure_matrix_cache ()
```

checks the existence of the matrix cache directory and creates it if it does not exist.

This function checks if the directory "matrix_cache" exists. If it does not, it creates the directory with permissions set to 0700 (read, write, and execute permissions for the owner only). This is useful for storing cached matrices used in the signature scheme. It uses the `stat` function to check for the directory's existence and `mkdir` to create it if necessary. The function does not return any value; it simply ensures that the directory is present before any matrix operations are performed.

Returns

It does not return any value; it simply ensures that the matrix cache directory is present before any matrix operations are performed.

4.20.2.4 ensure_output_directory()

```
void ensure_output_directory ()
```

checks the existence of the output directory and creates it if it does not exist.

This function checks if the directory "output" exists. If it does not, it creates the directory with permissions set to 0700 (read, write, and execute permissions for the owner only). This is useful for storing output files generated by the signature scheme. It uses the `stat` function to check for the directory's existence and `mkdir` to create it if necessary. The function does not return any value; it simply ensures that the output directory is present before any output operations are performed.

Returns

It does not return any value; it simply ensures that the output directory is present before any output operations are performed.

4.20.2.5 file_exists()

```
int file_exists (
    const char * filename)
```

This function checks if a file exists by attempting to open it in read mode.

It takes a filename as input and tries to open the file using `fopen` with the "r" mode, which is for reading. If the file cannot be opened (for example, if it does not exist), `fopen` returns NULL. In this case, the function returns 0 to indicate that the file does not exist. If the file is successfully opened, it is immediately closed using `fclose`, and the function returns 1 to indicate that the file exists.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file to check for existence. The function will attempt to open this file in read mode.
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Note

The function does not perform any additional checks on the file, such as verifying its contents or permissions. It simply checks for the existence of the file by trying to open it. If the file is successfully opened, it is closed immediately after checking.

Returns

int It returns 1 if the file exists (i.e., it can be opened in read mode), or 0 if the file does not exist (i.e., it cannot be opened).

4.20.2.6 generate_matrix_filename()

```
char * generate_matrix_filename (
    const char * prefix,
    int n,
    int k,
    int d)
```

This function generates a filename for a matrix based on a prefix and its dimensions.

The function constructs a filename for a matrix by concatenating a predefined cache directory with a prefix and the dimensions of the matrix (n, k, d). The resulting filename is formatted as "cache_dir/prefix_n_k_d.txt", where `cache_dir` is defined as "matrix_cache/", and `prefix`, `n`, `k`, and `d` are provided as parameters. The function allocates memory for the filename string, formats it using `sprintf`, and returns the pointer to the generated filename.

Parameters

<i>prefix</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that serves as a prefix for the filename. This prefix is typically used to identify the type of matrix or its specific characteristics. example prefixes could be "H_A", "G1", or "G2", depending on the context of the matrix being generated or stored.
<i>n</i>	It is the length of the code.
<i>k</i>	It is the dimension of the code.
<i>d</i>	it is the minimum distance of the code.

Note

The function allocates memory for the filename string, so it is the caller's responsibility to free this memory when it is no longer needed. The maximum length of the generated filename is defined by `MAX_FILENAME_LENGTH`, which should be set appropriately to accommodate the longest expected filename.

Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the generated filename. If memory allocation fails, it returns NULL.

4.20.2.7 generate_random_set()

```
void generate_random_set (
    unsigned long upper_bound,
    unsigned long size,
    unsigned long set[size])
```

This function generates a random set of unique integers within a specified range and sort the original set according to the ascending order.

The function generates a random set of unique integers from 0 to `upper_bound - 1`, ensuring that the size of the set is equal to `size`. It uses the modern Fisher-Yates shuffle algorithm to randomly permute an array of integers from 0 to `upper_bound - 1`, and then selects the first `size` elements from this shuffled array. The resulting set is sorted in ascending order using the `qsort` function with a custom comparison function.

Parameters

<i>upper_bound</i>	It is an unsigned long integer representing the upper limit of the range from which unique integers will be selected. The function will generate integers in the range <code>[0, upper_bound)</code> .
<i>size</i>	It is an unsigned long integer representing the number of unique integers to be generated in the set. The function will ensure that the size of the generated set is equal to this value.
<i>set</i>	It is a pointer to an array of unsigned long integers where the generated unique integers will be stored. The size of this array should be at least <code>size</code> elements to hold the generated set.

Note

- * 1. Initialize an array `arr` containing all integers from 0 to `upper_bound - 1`.
 1. Shuffle the array in-place using the modern Fisher-Yates shuffle:
 - Iterate from the last element to the second element.
 - In each iteration, generate a random index `j` such that $0 \leq j \leq i$.
 - Swap the elements at indices `i` and `j`.
 2. Copy the first `size` elements from the shuffled array into `set`.
 3. Sort the `set` array in ascending order.

4.20.2.8 generate_seed_filename()

```
char * generate_seed_filename (
    const char * prefix,
    int n,
    int k,
    int d)
```

This function generates a filename for a seed based on a prefix and its parameters.

The function constructs a filename for a seed by concatenating a predefined cache directory with a prefix and the parameters `n`, `k`, and `d`. The resulting filename is formatted as `"cache_dir/prefix_n_k_d_seed.bin"`, where `cache_dir` is defined as `"matrix_cache/"`, and `prefix`, `n`, `k`, and `d` are provided as parameters. The function allocates memory for the filename string, formats it using `snprintf`, and returns the pointer to the generated filename.

Parameters

<i>prefix</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that serves as a prefix for the filename. This prefix is typically used to identify the type of seed or its specific characteristics, such as "H_A", "G1", or "G2", depending on the context of the seed being generated or stored.
<i>n</i>	It is an integer representing the length of the code. This value is used to uniquely identify the seed associated with a specific code length.
<i>k</i>	It is an integer representing the dimension of the code. This value is used to uniquely identify the seed associated with a specific code dimension.
<i>d</i>	It is an integer representing the minimum distance of the code. This value is used to uniquely identify the seed associated with a specific code minimum distance.

Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the generated filename. If memory allocation fails, it returns NULL. The caller is responsible for freeing this memory when it is no longer needed.

4.20.2.9 load_matrix()

```
int load_matrix (
    const char * filename,
    nmod_mat_t matrix)
```

This function loads a matrix from a text file in a specific format (FLINT matrix format).

It opens a file with the specified filename for reading. If it fails to open the file, it returns 0. It then reads the dimensions of the matrix (number of rows and columns) from the file. If it fails to read these dimensions, it closes the file and returns 0. The function clears any existing data in the provided matrix, initializes it with the specified dimensions, and then reads each entry of the matrix from the file, setting the corresponding entry in the matrix using `nmod_mat_set_entry`. If it fails to read any value, it closes the file and returns 0. Finally, it closes the file and returns 1 to indicate success.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file from which the matrix will be loaded.
<i>matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents a matrix in the FLINT library.

Note

The file should be in a specific text format that includes the dimensions of the matrix followed by its entries.

Returns

int It returns 1 if the matrix was successfully loaded from the file, or 0 if there was an error (e.g., file not found, failed to read dimensions or values).

4.20.2.10 load_params()

```
bool load_params (
    struct code * C_A,
    struct code * C1,
    struct code * C2)
```

This function loads parameters for the codes from a file.

It opens a file named "params.txt" in read mode and reads key-value pairs from it. The keys correspond to parameters of the codes, such as "H_A_n", "H_A_k", "H_A_d", "G1_n", "G1_k", "G1_d", "G2_n", "G2_k", and "G2_d". For each key, it assigns the corresponding value to the appropriate field in the provided code structures (C_A, C1, and C2). If the file cannot be opened, it prints an error message and returns false. If all parameters are successfully loaded, it returns true.

Parameters

<i>C_A</i>	It is a pointer to the concatenated code structure, which contains parameters for the concatenated code (C_A).
<i>C1</i>	It is a pointer to the first generator code structure, which contains parameters for the first code (C1).
<i>C2</i>	It is a pointer to the second generator code structure, which contains parameters for the second code (C2).

Note

The function assumes that the file "params.txt" exists and is formatted correctly with key-value pairs. If any key is missing or if the file cannot be read, the function will not set the corresponding fields in the code structures.

Returns

true It returns true if the parameters were successfully loaded from the file, meaning that the file was opened, all key-value pairs were read, and the corresponding fields in the code structures were set.

false It returns false if there was an error opening the file or if any key-value pair could not be read, indicating that the parameters were not loaded successfully.

4.20.2.11 load_seed()

```
bool load_seed (
    const char * filename,
    unsigned char * seed)
```

It is a function that loads a seed from a binary file.

The function takes a filename and a pointer to an unsigned char array (seed) as input. It opens the specified file in binary read mode ("rb"). If the file cannot be opened, it returns false. It then reads SEED_SIZE bytes from the file into the seed array using fread. After reading, it closes the file and checks if the number of bytes read matches SEED_SIZE. If they match, it returns true, indicating that the seed was successfully loaded; otherwise, it returns false.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file from which the seed will be loaded. The file should contain binary data representing the seed.
<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array where the loaded seed data will be stored. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.

Returns

true It returns true if the seed was successfully loaded from the file, meaning that the file was opened, the seed data was read, and the correct number of bytes was read.

false It is false if there was an error opening the file or if the number of bytes read does not match `SEED_SIZE`, indicating that the seed was not loaded successfully.

4.20.2.12 `normalize_message_length()`

```
char * normalize_message_length (
    const char * msg,
    size_t msg_len,
    size_t target_len,
    size_t * final_len_out)
```

This function normalizes the length of a message to a target length by padding or truncating it.

The function takes a message, its length, a target length, and an optional pointer to store the final length. It allocates memory for a new message of the target length. If the original message is shorter than the target length, it copies the original message and fills the remaining space with random uppercase letters (A-Z). If the original message is longer than the target length, it truncates it to fit. If the lengths match, it simply copies the original message. The function returns the newly created message and updates the final length if requested.

Parameters

<i>msg</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that represents the original message to be normalized. The message can be of any length, and the function will either pad it with random characters or truncate it to fit the target length.
<i>msg_len</i>	It is the length of the original message in bytes. This value is used to determine whether the message needs to be padded or truncated to match the target length.
<i>target_len</i>	It is the desired length of the normalized message. The function will ensure that the final message has this exact length by either padding it with random characters or truncating it if necessary.
<i>final_len_out</i>	It is a pointer to a <code>size_t</code> variable where the final length of the normalized message will be stored. This parameter is optional; if it is NULL, the function will not update the final length.

Note

The function allocates memory for the new message, so it is the caller's responsibility to free this memory when it is no longer needed. If memory allocation fails, the function will print an error message and return NULL.

Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the normalized message.

4.20.2.13 read_file()

```
char * read_file (  
    const char * filename)
```

This function reads the contents of a file into a dynamically allocated string.

It opens the specified file in read mode, checks if the file was opened successfully, and then reads its contents into a buffer. The function first seeks to the end of the file to determine its length, rewinds to the beginning, allocates memory for the buffer, and reads the file's contents into it. Finally, it closes the file and returns the buffer containing the file's contents as a null-terminated string. If any step fails (e.g., file not found, memory allocation failure), it prints an error message and returns NULL.

Note

The caller is responsible for freeing the returned buffer after use to avoid memory leaks.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file to be read. The function will attempt to open this file in read mode and read its contents.
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Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the contents of the file. If the file cannot be opened or is empty, it returns NULL.

4.20.2.14 read_file_or_generate()

```
char * read_file_or_generate (  
    const char * filename,  
    int msg_len)
```

This function reads a message from a file or generates a random message if the file is empty or does not exist.

It attempts to open the specified file in read mode. If the file is successfully opened, it checks its length. If the length is zero or less, it generates a random message of a specified length and saves it to the file. If the file contains valid data, it reads the contents into a dynamically allocated string and returns it. If the file cannot be opened, it generates a random message, saves it to the file, and returns that message.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file to read the message from. If the file does not exist or is empty, a random message will be generated and saved to this file.
<i>msg_len</i>	It is an integer representing the length of the message to be generated if the file is empty or does not exist. The function will generate a random message of this length using uppercase letters (A-Z).

Returns

char* It returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated string containing the message read from the file or the generated random message. If memory allocation fails or if there is an error reading the file, it returns NULL. The caller is responsible for freeing the returned string after use.

4.20.2.15 save_matrix()

```
void save_matrix (
    const char * filename,
    const nmod_mat_t matrix)
```

This function saves a matrix to a text file in a specific format (FLINT matrix format).

The function opens a file with the specified filename for writing. If it fails to open the file, it prints an error message and returns. It then retrieves the number of rows and columns of the matrix using `nmod_mat_nrows` and `nmod_mat_ncols`, respectively, and writes these dimensions to the file. After that, it iterates through each entry of the matrix, retrieves its value using `nmod_mat_entry`, and writes it to the file in a space-separated format. Finally, it closes the file.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is a pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file where the matrix will be saved. The file will be created if it does not exist, or overwritten if it does.
<i>matrix</i>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents a matrix in the FLINT library. The matrix should be initialized and populated with values before calling this function. The function will save the matrix in a specific text format that includes its dimensions followed by its entries.

Note

The function does not perform any error checking on the matrix itself, such as ensuring it is initialized or has valid dimensions. It assumes that the matrix is properly set up before calling this function. The file will be created in the current working directory, and if the file already exists, it will be overwritten.

4.20.2.16 save_seed()

```
bool save_seed (
    const char * filename,
    const unsigned char * seed)
```

It is a function that saves a seed to a binary file.

The function takes a filename and a pointer to an unsigned char array (seed) as input. It opens the specified file in binary write mode ("wb"). If the file cannot be opened, it returns false. It then writes the seed data to the file using `fwrite`, which writes `SEED_SIZE` bytes from the seed array to the file. After writing, it closes the file and checks if the number of bytes written matches `SEED_SIZE`. If they match, it returns true, indicating that the seed was successfully saved; otherwise, it returns false.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	It is the pointer to a constant character string that specifies the name of the file where the seed will be saved. The file will be created if it does not exist, or overwritten if it does.
<i>seed</i>	It is a pointer to an unsigned char array that contains the seed data to be saved. The size of this array should be equal to <code>SEED_SIZE</code> , which is defined in the constants header file.

Returns

true It returns true if the seed was successfully saved to the file, meaning that the file was opened, the seed data was written, and the correct number of bytes was written.

false It returns false if there was an error opening the file or if the number of bytes written does not match `SEED_SIZE`, indicating that the seed was not saved successfully.

4.20.2.17 `weight()`

```
long weight (
    nmod_mat_t array)
```

This function calculates the Hamming weight of a given matrix row.

The Hamming weight is the number of non-zero elements in a row of a matrix. This function iterates through the first row of the provided matrix and counts how many entries are equal to 1, which corresponds to the Hamming weight. It assumes that the matrix is represented as an `nmod_mat_t` type from the FLINT library, which allows for efficient access to matrix entries.

Parameters

<code>array</code>	It is a pointer to an <code>nmod_mat_t</code> type, which represents a matrix in the FLINT library.
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Returns

long The function returns the Hamming weight of the first row of the matrix, which is the count of entries equal to 1.

Note

The function assumes that the matrix has at least one row and that the entries are in the range of 0 to MOD-1, where MOD is defined in the FLINT library. It does not handle cases where the matrix is empty or has no rows.

4.21 `signature-scheme/src/verifier.c` File Reference

This file contains the implementation of the signature verification function.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdbool.h>
#include "verifier.h"
#include "matrix.h"
#include "utils.h"
#include "constants.h"
```

Functions

- void [verify_signature](#) (`nmod_mat_t` bin_hash, `size_t` message_len, unsigned long sig_len, `nmod_mat_t` signature, `nmod_mat_t` F, struct [code](#) C_A, `nmod_mat_t` [H_A](#), FILE *output_file)

This function verifies a digital signature.

4.21.1 Detailed Description

This file contains the implementation of the signature verification function.

It verifies a digital signature by checking if the product of the binary hash of the message and the generator matrix equals the product of the parity-check matrix and the transposed signature. It uses the FLINT library for matrix operations and prints debug information.

4.21.2 Function Documentation

4.21.2.1 `verify_signature()`

```
void verify_signature (
    nmod_mat_t bin_hash,
    size_t message_len,
    unsigned long sig_len,
    nmod_mat_t signature,
    nmod_mat_t F,
    struct code C_A,
    nmod_mat_t H_A,
    FILE * output_file)
```

This function verifies a digital signature.

This function takes a binary hash of the message, the length of the message, the length of the signature, the signature itself, the matrix F , the code C_A , and the parity-check matrix H_A . At first, it transposes the binary hash and then computes the product of the matrix F and the transposed binary hash. Then transposes the signature and computes the product of the parity-check matrix H_A and the transposed signature. Finally, it checks if the two resulting matrices are equal, indicating that the signature is valid.

Note

The function prints debug information if the PRINT flag is set.

Parameters

<i>bin_hash</i>	It is a matrix that holds the binary hash of the message.
<i>message_len</i>	It is the length of the message in bits.
<i>sig_len</i>	It is the length of the signature in bits.
<i>signature</i>	It is a matrix that holds the signature to be verified.
<i>F</i>	It is a matrix that holds the product of the parity-check matrix H_A and the transposed hybrid generator matrix G_{star_T} . This is used for debugging or verification purposes.
<i>C_A</i>	It is a structure that holds the parameters of the code, including the length of the code (n), the length of the message (k), and the minimum distance (d).
<i>H_A</i>	It is the parity-check matrix for the derived code C_A , which is used to ensure that the generated signature meets the required properties.
<i>output_file</i>	It is a file pointer to the output file where debug information will be printed if the PRINT flag is set.

Returns

void It does not return any value but prints the verification result to the output file.

Note

The function uses the Sodium library for cryptographic operations and the FLINT library for matrix operations.

See also

[print_matrix](#) for printing matrices

