

# DME A PUBLIC KEY, SIGNATURE AND KEM SYSTEM BASED ON DOUBLE EXPONENTIATION WITH MATRIX EXPONENTS

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The system that we present to the NIST call it is a multivariate public key cryptosystem based on a new construction of the central maps, that allow the polynomials of the public key to be of arbitrary degree. In order to get a reasonable size of the public key one has to use a small number of variables and special non dense linear maps at both ends of the composition.

We will present the algorithms and construction of the system in general, but for the implementation we will choose parameter that give polynomials with 6 to 12 variables. We will build the central map using a vectorial exponentiation with matrix exponents as follows:

Let us take a finite field  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $q = p^e$ , and a matrix  $A = (a_{ij}) \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Z}_{q-1})$  one can define a kind of exponentiation of vectors by using a monomial map  $G_A$  asociated to the matrix  $A$  as follows:

$$(1) \quad G_A : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^n : \quad G_A(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1^{a_{11}} \dots x_n^{a_{1n}}, \dots, x_1^{a_{n1}} \dots x_n^{a_{nn}}).$$

The following two facts are easy to verify:

- a) If  $A, B. \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Z}_{q-1})$  and  $C = BA$  then the composition  $G_C = G_B \circ G_A$ .
- b) if  $\det(A) = \pm 1$  and the inverse matrix  $A^{-1} \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Z})$  then  $G_A$  is invertible on  $(\mathbb{F}_q \setminus \{0\})^n$  and the inverse is given by  $G_{A^{-1}}$ .

Notice that if in a column  $k$  has  $r$  entries different from zero the product of  $r$  copies of  $\mathbb{F}_q$  is mapped to  $O = (0, \dots, 0)$  so  $G_A$  as a map in  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$  is a univariate polynomial of degree at least  $q^r$ .

This kind of maps are extensively used in Algebraic Geometry, they produce birrational maps. In Projective Geometry they are also called Cremona transformations. In [1] this Cremona transformations are used to produce multivariate public key cryptosystem.

If  $\det(A) \neq \pm 1$  the monomial map is not birrational, in fact one has,

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $G_A : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^n$  be a monomial map as (1) and  $K$  an algebraically closed field of any characteristic then the monomial map  $G_A$  has geometric degree  $d := |\det(A)|$  on  $(K \setminus \{0\})^n$ , that is, for  $x \in (K \setminus \{0\})^n$ ,  $G_A^{-1}(x)$  has generically  $d$  preimages.*

Now if we take  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Z}_{q-1})$  then:

**Theorem 0.1.** *Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Z}_{q-1})$  and  $G_A : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^n$  be the corresponding monomial map. If  $\gcd(\det(A), q-1) = 1$  and  $b := \det(A)^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ ,  $B := bAd(A)$  then  $A^{-1} = B \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Z}_{q-1})$ .*

This is easy to verify because  $b \det(A) = 1 + \lambda(q-1)$  and if  $I_n$  is the identity matrix then  $AB = \det(A)I_n \pmod{q-1}$ .

We can use this fact to build a multivariate PKC in the standard way by putting in the entries of the matrix  $A$  powers of  $q$ . If each row has 2 entries  $q^{a_{ij}}$  then after composing with two linear maps at both ends one get a quadratic public key (see [1]). In our case we made extensive computer test and we arrive to the conclusion that those systems are not safe against Grobner bases attack for reasonable key size, what it happens with most multivariate PKC.

In order to make a stronger system against algebraic cryptanalysis we will produce a system with the following design options:

- We allow the entries of the matrix  $A$  to be of the form  $p^a$  instead of  $q^a$  ( $q = p^a$ ), this will make the final polynomials with arbitrary degree up to  $q$ ,
- the determinant  $d = \det(A)$  has an expansion in base  $d$  with many non zero digits.

These two conditions make the resulting system safe against Grobner basis attack but in order to make it safe against structural attacks we propose as central maps to use to exponentials in two different intermediate fields,  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$  and  $\mathbb{F}_q^m$  and the resultant public key will be polynomials in  $n-m$  variables with degree up to  $q$  in each variable. In the system we implemented we use the parameters  $m = 3, n = 2$  and the public key  $F$  has 6 polynomials with 64 monomials each.

For convenience we denote the coordinates in  $(\mathbb{F}_q)^{nm}$  as

$$\underline{x} = (x_{11}, \dots, x_{1n}, \dots, x_{n1}, \dots, x_{nm}).$$

We will use a padding  $H : \mathbb{F}_p^N \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^{nm}$  by adding  $S \geq m$  random elements of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  in such a way that the coordinates  $x_{1n}, x_{2n}, \dots, x_{nm}$  of  $H(u) = (x_{11}, \dots, x_{nm})$  are different from zero. The padding can be chosen in several different ways. For instance, one can add only one bit in each  $x_{in}$  and the encryption is deterministic or we can add random bits to each component  $x_{ij}$  in order to address the IND-CPA security.

The public key is  $K_P = (h, \pi_0, F)$ , where  $F : \mathbb{F}_q^{nm} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^{mn}$  is a map obtained as composition of five maps,  $F = L_3 \circ G_2 \circ L_2 \circ G_1 \circ L_1$ , according to the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \mathbb{F}_q^{nm} & \xrightarrow{L_1} & (\mathbb{F}_{q^n})^m & \xrightarrow{G_1} & (\mathbb{F}_{q^n})^m & \xrightarrow{L_2} & (\mathbb{F}_{q^m})^n & \xrightarrow{G_2} & (\mathbb{F}_{q^m})^n & \xrightarrow{L_3} & \mathbb{F}_q^{mn} \\ & & & & & & & & & & \uparrow \\ & & & & & & & & & & F \end{array}$$

The maps  $L_1, L_2$  and  $L_3$  are  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear isomorphisms and  $L_1$  satisfies that for every  $x \in H(\mathbb{F}_p^N)$ ,  $L_1(x) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^n \setminus \{0\})^m$ . The map  $L_2$  is designed to verify the condition:

$$\forall y \in (\mathbb{F}_q^n \setminus \{0\})^m, L_2(y) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^m \setminus \{0\})^n.$$

The maps  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are monomial maps with the invertible determinant and entries powers of  $p$ . With all the above conditions it is clear that  $F$  is injective in  $H(\mathbb{F}_p^N)$  and the components of  $F$  and  $F^{-1}$  are given by polynomials in  $\mathbb{F}_q[x_1, \dots, x_{mn}]$ . The maps  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are chosen in such a way that the polynomial  $F$  have few monomials and the polynomial  $F^{-1}$  has a huge number of monomials. For instance, for the parameters that we choose for the implementation,  $(M = 3, n = 2, s = 2, t = 2)$ , we get that each component of  $F$  has 64 monomials and that each component of  $F^{-1}$  has at least  $2^{100}$  monomials.

Let's describe the five maps in detail.

The map  $L_1 = \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{L}_1 \circ \tilde{l}$  is obtained as composition of three linear  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -isomorphisms according to the diagram (2).

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathbb{F}_q^{nm} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (\mathbb{F}_q^n)^m & \xrightarrow{\tilde{L}_1} & (\mathbb{F}_q^n)^m & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\pi}_1} & (\mathbb{F}_{q^n})^m \\ & & & & & & \uparrow \\ & & & & & & L_1 \end{array}$$

The map  $\tilde{\pi}_1 = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_m)$  is defined by using an  $\mathbb{F}_q$  linear isomorphisms  $\pi_1 : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_{q^n}$ ,  $\pi_1(v_1, \dots, v_n) = \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_m$ , where  $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$  is a fixed  $\mathbb{F}_q$  basis of  $\mathbb{F}_{q^n}$ .

The isomorphism  $\tilde{L}_1 = (L_{11}, \dots, L_{1m})$  is defined by its components  $L_{1i} : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^n$  given by  $L_{1i}(\underline{x}_i) = \underline{x}_i A_{1i}$ , where  $A_{1i} \in GL_n(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

The isomorphism  $\tilde{l}$  is obtained by grouping the components of  $x$  in  $m$  vectors according to its index  $h(x_1, \dots, x_{nm}) = (\underline{x}_1, \dots, \underline{x}_m)$ , where  $\underline{x}_i = (x_{i1}, \dots, x_{in})$ .

The  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear isomorphism  $L_2 = \tilde{\pi}_1^{-1} \circ M \circ \tilde{L}_2 \circ \tilde{\pi}_2$  is a composition according to the diagram (3).

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} (\mathbb{F}_{q^n})^m & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\pi}_1^{-1}} & (\mathbb{F}_q^n)^m & \xrightarrow{M} & (\mathbb{F}_q^m)^n & \xrightarrow{\tilde{L}_2} & (\mathbb{F}_q^m)^n & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\pi}_2} & (\mathbb{F}_{q^m})^n \\ & & & & & & & & \uparrow \\ & & & & & & & & L_2 \end{array}$$

The "mixing" isomorphism  $M$  transforms the  $m$  vectors of  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$  in  $n$  vectors of  $\mathbb{F}_q^m$  in such a way that the components of  $\underline{x}_1, \dots, \underline{x}_n$  are placed in the first  $n$

components of  $\underline{x}'_1, \dots, \underline{x}'_n$  and the components of  $\underline{x}_{m-n+1}, \dots, \underline{x}_m$  are placed in the last  $m - n$  components of  $\underline{x}'_1, \dots, \underline{x}'_n$ . For instance a way to produce such mixing is the following composition of maps

$$(\mathbb{F}_{q^m})^n \xrightarrow[\sim]{\tilde{\pi}_2} (\mathbb{F}_q^m)^n \xrightarrow{\tilde{L}_3} (\mathbb{F}_q^m)^n \xrightarrow[\sim]{} \mathbb{F}_q^{mn}$$

$\curvearrowright$   
 $L_3$

That is, if we write the first matrix in two blocks  $\begin{pmatrix} M_1 \\ M_2 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $M_1$  is given by the first  $n$  rows and  $M_2$  is given by the mixim  $M$  the last rows the mixing map send  $\begin{pmatrix} M_1 \\ M_2 \end{pmatrix}$  to  $(M_1, M_2^t) = (M_1, M'_2)$ . Any bijective map that send the  $(m - n) \times n$  entries of  $M_2$  in the  $n \times (m - n)$  entries of  $M'_2$  will be also valid, but the final number of monomial depends on the mixing.

For instance if we take  $m = 4$  and  $n = 2$  we can have the next two mixing of  $\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \\ x_{41} & x_{42} \end{pmatrix}$  and

$$(2) \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{31} & x_{41} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{32} & x_{42} \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$(3) \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{31} & x_{32} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{41} & x_{42} \end{pmatrix}$$

When we explain below how to calculate the monomials of  $F_i$  that (2) produces more mixing and 144 monomials and (3) produce less mixing but 64 monomials in each component.

This construction of the mixing map  $M$  guarantees that if  $x \in (\mathbb{F}_{q^n} \setminus \{0\})^m$  then  $x' \in (\mathbb{F}_{q^m} \setminus \{0\})^n$  but there is not implication in the other sense, that is  $x' \in (\mathbb{F}_{q^m} \setminus \{0\})^n$  do not implies  $x \in (\mathbb{F}_{q^n} \setminus \{0\})^m$ . This fact means that one can always encrypt and decrypt a message but there are messages that can not be signed.

The  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear isomorphism  $L_3 = e \circ \tilde{L}_3 \circ \pi_2^{-1}$  is defined as

$$(\mathbb{F}_{q^n})^m \xrightarrow[\sim]{\pi_2^{-1}} (\mathbb{F}_q^n)^m \xrightarrow{\tilde{L}_3} (\mathbb{F}_q^n)^m \xrightarrow[\sim]{\ell^{-1}} \mathbb{F}_q^{nm}$$

$\curvearrowright$   
 $L_3$

The morphism  $\tilde{L}_3$  is defined as  $\tilde{L}_3 = (L_{31}, \dots, L_{3n})$  where  $L_{3j}(x'_j) = x'_j A_{3j}$ ,  $A_{3j} \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F}_q)$  and  $\det(A_{3j}) \neq 0$ .

The main part of the design of the system are the two exponential maps  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  build with monomial maps as follows:

$$G_1(x_1, \dots, x_m) = (x_1^{a_{11}} \cdot \dots \cdot x_m^{a_{1m}}, \dots, x_1^{a_{m1}} \cdot \dots \cdot x_m^{a_{mm}}), \quad G_1 : (\mathbb{F}_{q^n})^m \rightarrow (\mathbb{F}_{q^n})^m$$

where  $A_1 = (a_{ij}) \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times m}(\mathbb{Z}_{q^n-1})$  such that  $d'_1 = \det(A_1)$  is prime with  $q^n - 1$ ;

$$G_2(x'_1, \dots, x'_n) = (x'_1{}^{b_{11}} \cdot \dots \cdot x'_n{}^{b_{1n}}, \dots, x'_1{}^{b_{n1}} \cdot \dots \cdot x'_n{}^{b_{nn}}), \quad G_1 : (\mathbb{F}_{q^m})^n \rightarrow (\mathbb{F}_{q^m})^n$$

where  $B_2 = (b_{ij}) \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Z}_{q^m-1})$  such that  $d'_2 = \det(B_2)$  is prime with  $q^m - 1$

If  $\underline{x} = (x_{11}, \dots, x_{nm}) \in \mathbb{F}_q^{nm}$  are the inicial coordinates, then the composition of the five maps  $L_1, G_1, L_2, G_2$  and  $G_3$  allow us to compute the components of  $F(\underline{x})$  as polynomials  $F_i \in \mathbb{F}_q[x_{11}, \dots, x_{nm}]$ . In order to keep small the number of monomials, we choose the matrices  $A_1$  and  $B_2$  with the following properties:

- (1) The entries of  $A_1$  and  $B_2$  are of the form  $p^a$ .
- (2) We fix two integers  $s$  and  $t$  such that the rows of  $A_1$  have at most  $s$  non zero entries and the rows of  $B_2$  have at most  $t$  non zero entries. One can compute the monomials in the  $F_i$  with the algorithm described below, resulting that the total number of monomials is  $MON = (b \cdot n^s)^t$  where  $b$  depends on the mixing map  $M$ .
- (3) The inverse maps  $G_1^{-1}$  and  $G_2^{-1}$  can be computed in the same way from the inverse matrix of  $A_1$  and  $B_2$  respectively and  $F_1^{-1}$  is also polynomial.

If the number of monomials in  $F^{-1}$  is not very big, one can get the coefficient of the polynomial by computing enough number of pairs  $(x, F(x))$ . To avoid this attack we tak  $A_1$  such that  $d_1 = \frac{1}{\det(A_1)} \pmod{q^n - 1}$  has a expansion in base  $p$  with  $d_1 = [K_0, \dots, K_e]$  with at least  $s_1$  non vanishing digist and the same with  $B_2$  and  $d_2 = \frac{1}{\det(B_2)}$  (with at least  $t_1$  non vanishing digits). The details of values of  $t_1, s_1$  will be given when discussing the security of the system.

The public key of the system is  $K_P = (h, \pi_0, F)$  and the private key is given by  $h, \pi_0$  and the five maps  $L_1, \dots, L_3$  and their inverses that can be used to encrypt and decrypt. Given an encrypted message  $z = F(\underline{x}) = DM(\bar{x})$ , one compute  $\underline{x} = F^{-1}(z)$  and discard the random entries with the use of  $h$ .

It is possible to get the monomials of the  $F_i$  without computing the composition of the five maps as follows: we start with  $m$  lists that contain the coordinates of the  $\underline{x}_i$ ,  $M_{11} = [x_{11}, \dots, x_{1n}]$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $M_{mn} = [x_{m1}, \dots, x_{mn}]$ , and we define the operations on lists: multiplication and exponentiation. If  $S = [s_1, \dots, s_m]$ ,  $T = [t_1, \dots, t_m]$  then  $S \cdot T = [s_i \cdot t_i]$  and  $S^a = [s_i^a]$ .

With these notations, one can see that the exponential  $G_1$  produce, on each component, polynomials whose list of monomials is  $N_{0k} = M_{01}^{a_{k1}} \cdot \dots \cdot M_{0n}^{a_{kn}}$ .

The mixing map  $M$  determines that in the list of monomials of each  $x'_k$  appears the list  $N_{0k}$ , joint with the list  $N_{0j}$  of the vectors that are placed at the  $m - n$  last entreis of  $x'_k$ . If  $b_k$  is the number of vectors adjoined to  $x'_k$  then, if we denote by  $P_{0k}$  ( $k = 1, \dots, n$ ) such list, then the final list of monomials of each component after  $G_2$  to each monomial  $x'_1{}^{b_{k1}} \cdot \dots \cdot x'_n{}^{b_{kn}}$  gives  $Q_{0k} = P_{01}^{b_{k1}} \cdot \dots \cdot P_{0n}^{b_{kn}}$ .

Notice that when we apply the final  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear bijection  $\tilde{L}_3$ , each component still have the same monomial, than means that there are  $n$  groups of  $m$  polynomials  $F_{k1}, \dots, F_{km}$  such that they have the same monomials, namely the list  $Q_{0k}$ .

It is clear that the number of monomials of  $Q_{0k}$  is at most  $((1 + b_k) \cdot n^s)^t$ . So if we denote by  $b_{\max} = \max_k(1 + b_k)$ , we get on each component at most  $(b_{\max} \cdot n^s)^t$  monomials.

Once we get the list of monomials of the  $F_i$  one gets the coefficient of each group of polynomials by evaluating the polynomials  $F_{k1}, \dots, F_{km}$  set of pairs  $(\underline{c}, F_{ki}(\underline{c}))$  big enough to guarantee that the corresponding linear equation are independent. That is if  $Q_k = [q_1 \dots q_d]$  and  $F_{kj} = \sum_{i=1}^d f_{ji} q_i(x)$  we take vector  $\underline{c}_1, \dots, \underline{c}_R$  such that the linear equations (on the  $f_{ij}$ )  $F_k(\underline{c}_e) = \sum f_{ji} q_i(\underline{c}_e)$  are independent and can be resolved to get coefficient of the polynomials  $F_{k1}, \dots, F_{km}$ . This algorithm is implemented in the system to get the public key from the private key.

It is also possible to use this algorithm to get a fast evaluation of the  $F_{ij}(\underline{c})$  to encrypt a message. If we start with the list of the coordinates of  $\underline{c}$  instead of the list of variables in the algorithm we get at the end a list of the evaluated monomials  $[q_j(\underline{c})]$ . In order to evaluate the polynomials  $F_{kj}(\underline{c}) = \sum_{i=1}^d f_{ji} q_i(\underline{c})$  one needs only to write their coefficients  $f_{ij}$  in a matrix  $MF_k = (f_{ji})$  and compute a matrix multiplication  $b_i(x) \cdot MF_k$ .

## SUMMARY OF THE SYSTEM DME

Fix parameters  $(m, n, s, t, N, S)$ , a field  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with  $q = p^e$  and an  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -isomorphism  $\pi_0 : \mathbb{F}_p^e \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ . The public key is  $K_P = (h, \pi_0, F)$  or  $K_P = (h, \pi_0, F, A_1, B_2)$  if we allow to use the fast evaluation algorithm. The private key are the maps  $L_1, G_1, L_2, G_2, L_3$  defined by the matrices  $A_{1i}, A_{2j}, A_{3j}$ , the exponent matrices  $A_1$  and  $B_2$  and the mixing map  $M$ . The  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear isomorphisms  $\pi_1 : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_{q^n}$  and  $\pi_2 : \mathbb{F}_q^m \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_{q^m}$  are not needed for encryption and can be chosen once for all users of the system or individually for its user and form part of the private key.

The exponent matrices  $A_1$  and  $B_2$  can be deduced from the exponents of the monomials in  $F_i$  so there is no need to hide them and can be made public in order to use them for the fast method to evaluate the polynomials of the public key.

## DIGITAL SIGNATURE NND KEM WITH THE SYSTEM

The system can be used to sign a message in  $(\mathbb{F}_q^m \setminus \{0\})^n$  by computing  $F^{-1}(z)$ . As  $F$  is not surjective onto  $(\mathbb{F}_q^m \setminus \{0\})^n$  there are messages that can not be signed. One need to add some randomness to the message. Given  $z \in (\mathbb{F}_q^m \setminus \{0\})^n$  there

exists  $x \in F^{-1}(z)$  if  $(L_3 \circ F \circ L_2)^{-1}(z) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^n \setminus \{0\})^m$ , so the probability for  $z \notin \text{Im}(F)$  is of order  $\frac{1}{q^n}$ .

One can sign a message  $v$  in  $(F_p)^{N_1}$ ,  $N_1 < en$ , by padding it in a similar way that we do for encrypt a message. We need to choose a map  $h_1 : \{1, \dots, N_1\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, e \cdot n \cdot m\}$  and fill the entries not in  $\text{Im}(h_1)$ . There is a difference with the encryption it is the fact that  $N_1$  need not to be fixed a priori. The signature of a message  $z_0 \in (\mathbb{F}_p)^{N_1}$  is  $\text{sig}(z_0) = (x, z_0, h_1)$  such that there exist  $x = F^{-1}(z)$ . If it does not exist we pad again  $z_0$  to get a different  $z$ . For the verification of the signature one computes  $F(x) = z$  and throws away the random digits to get  $z_0$ .

If given two parties  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $A$  want to send an encrypted message  $x$  to  $B$ ,  $A$  encrypt  $x$  with the public key of  $B$  obtaining  $z \in (\mathbb{F}_q)^{nm}$  that can not be padded because  $N_1 = e \cdot n \cdot m$ . If is not possible to get the signature  $y = (F_A)^{-1}(z)$  one can encrypt  $x$  again (because the system is not deterministic) up to get a message that can be signed.

The system can be used for KEM in a standard way but for KEM there is no need to use the padding. If two parties want to share a key for a symmetric system like AES they pick up a hash function and one of them  $A$  choose a random  $x \in (\mathbb{F}_q)^{nm}$  with  $x_i \neq 0$  and send  $z = F_B(x)$  to  $B$  who decrypt  $z$  and both parties compute the common hash.

#### THE SETTING OF THE SYSTEM DME THAT IS IMPLEMENTED IN THE PROPOSAL

We take  $m = 3$ ,  $n = 2$ ,  $s = t = 2$  and  $q = 2^e$ . The number of monomials of each component is  $(2 \cdot n^s)^t = 64$ . The polynomial map of the public key is  $F = (F_1, \dots, F_6) : (\mathbb{F}_2^e)^6 \rightarrow (\mathbb{F}_2^e)^6$  where  $F_1, F_2, F_3$  share 64 monomials and  $F_4, F_5, F_6$  share other 64 monomials. For 128 bit security we propose  $q = 2^{24}$  that is the message space is  $(\mathbb{F}_2)^{144}$ . We will justify this choice when we discuss the security in the corresponding paragraph. For the padding we can add from 3 to 16 bits. For instance if we add only 3 bits one '1' in each coordinate  $x_{12}, x_{22}$  and  $x_{32}$ ; one gets a deterministic public key system. We choose to add 12 random bits, 4 bits in each coordinate so the encryption map are  $DM : (\mathbb{F}_2)^{132} \rightarrow (\mathbb{F}_2)^{144}$

$$\mathbb{F}_2^{132} \xrightarrow{H} \mathbb{F}_{2^{24}}^6 \xrightarrow{F} \mathbb{F}_{2^{24}}^6$$

for 128 bit.

For 256 bit security we propose  $q = 2^{48}$  that is the message space is  $(\mathbb{F}_2)^{288}$  with 24 random bits that is the encryption map is  $DM : (\mathbb{F}_2)^{132} \rightarrow (\mathbb{F}_2)^{144}$ .

$$\mathbb{F}_2^{264} \xrightarrow{H} \mathbb{F}_{2^{48}}^6 \xrightarrow{F} \mathbb{F}_{2^{48}}^6$$

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