

# HAETAE: Bridging Algebraic Number Theory to Post-Quantum Digital Signatures

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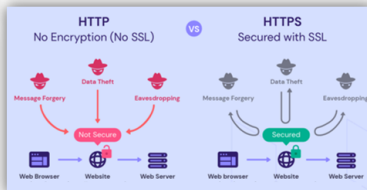
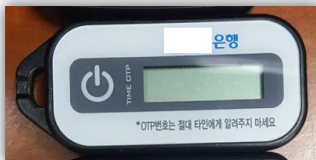
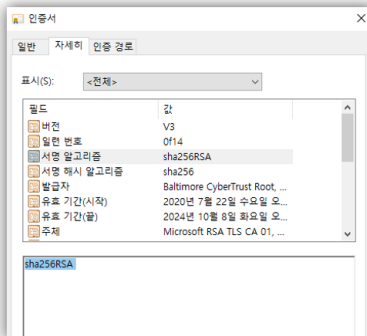
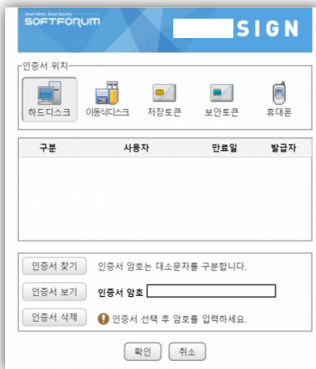
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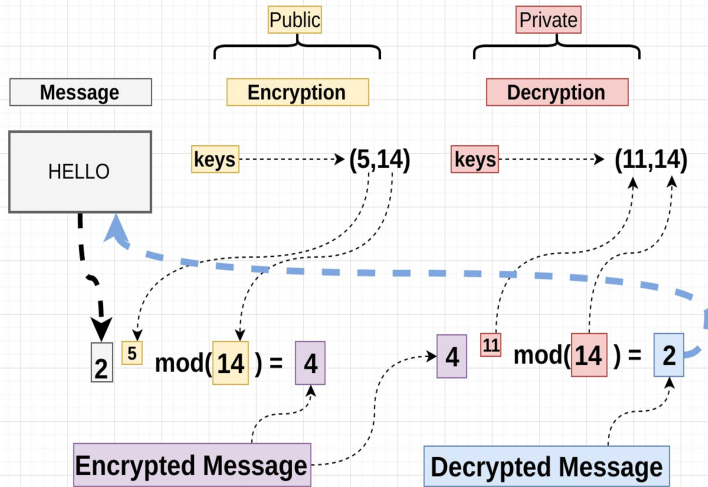
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# What is Cryptography?

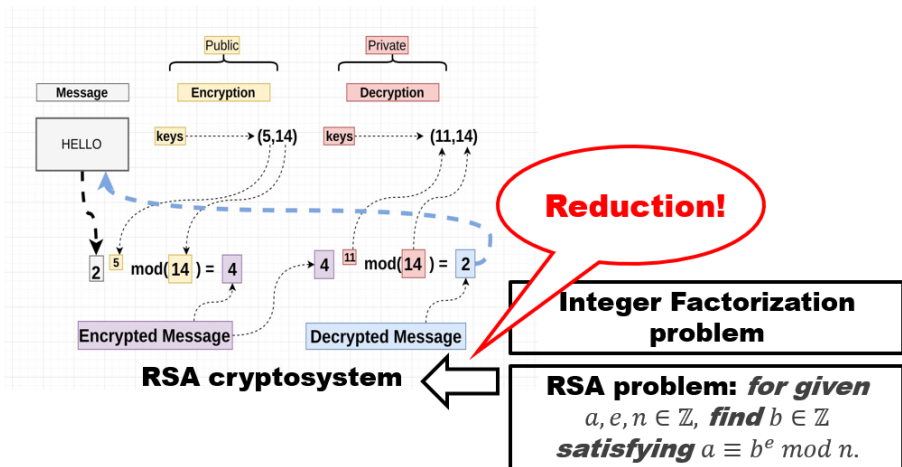


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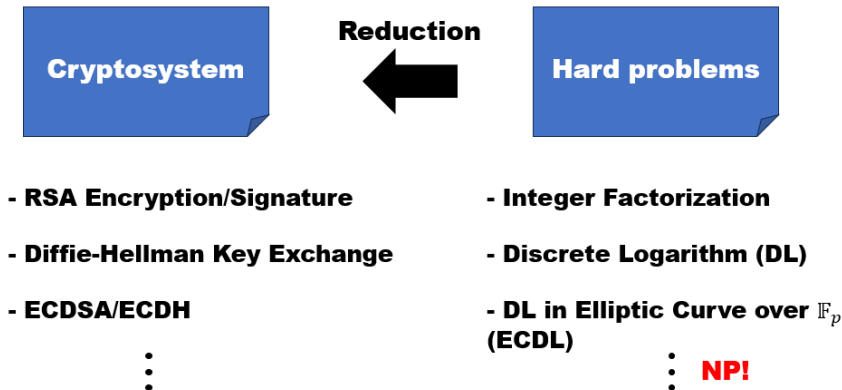


## RSA cryptosystem

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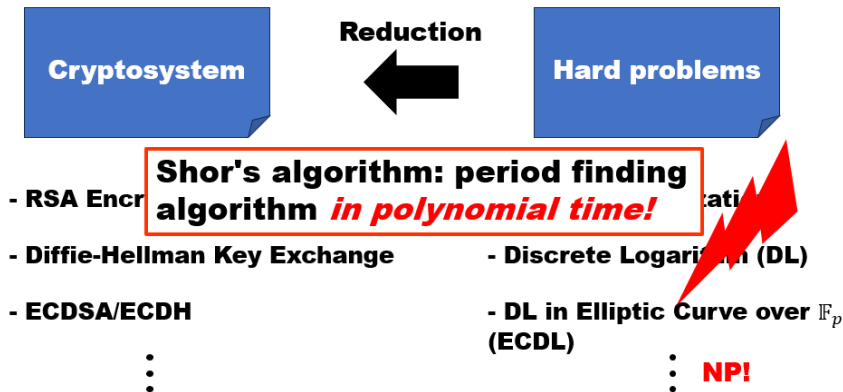


# What is Cryptography?



# Post-Quantum Cryptography

However, including the quantum algorithms...





# Post-Quantum Cryptography

**Post-Quantum  
Cryptography**

**Reduction**



**Hard problems  
(even) against  
Quantum  
Algorithms**

- **Lattice-based cryptography**

- **Shortest/Closest Vector Problem (SVP/CVP)**

- **Code-based cryptography**

- **Syndrome Decoding Problem (SDP)**

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**NP-hard!\***

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# Lattice hard problems

Useful hard problems:

- LWE, Ring-LWE, and Module-LWE
- SIS, Ring-SIS, and Module-SIS

NP-hard problems:

- Shortest Vector Problem (SVP)
- Closest Vector Problem (CVP)



SVP and CVP in dimension two.

Reductions:

Schemes  $\Leftarrow$  Useful hard problems  $\Leftarrow$  NP-hard problems

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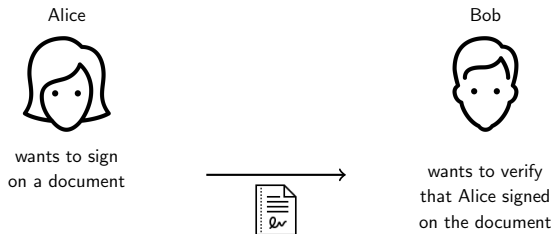
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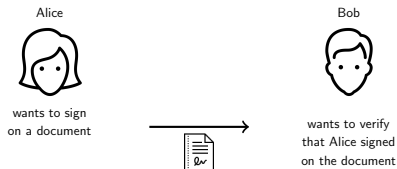
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Digital signatures work as:

$(sk, vk) \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}$  and broadcast  $vk$

Alice (knows  $sk$ )



signature  $\sigma \leftarrow \text{Sign}(sk, m)$

Bob (knows  $vk$ )

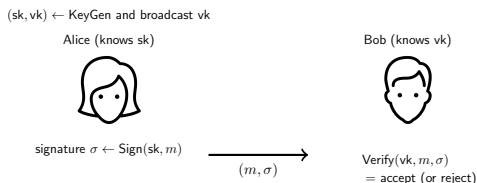


$(m, \sigma)$

$\text{Verify}(vk, m, \sigma)$   
= accept (or reject)

# Digital signatures

Digital signatures work as:



Necessary properties:

- **Correctness:**

$$\text{Verify}(vk, m, \text{Sign}(sk, m)) = \text{accept}$$

- **Unforgeability:** No one else than Alice can make a new signature.  
More formally,

*for a given verification key and some message-signature pairs, no adversary can forge a new valid signature.*

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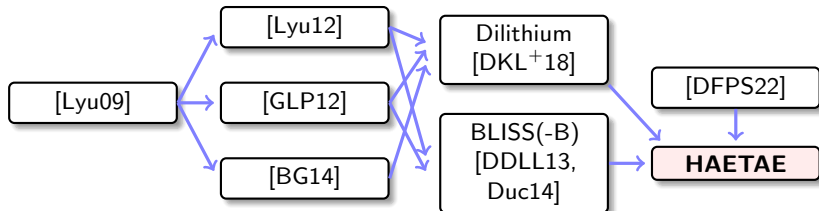
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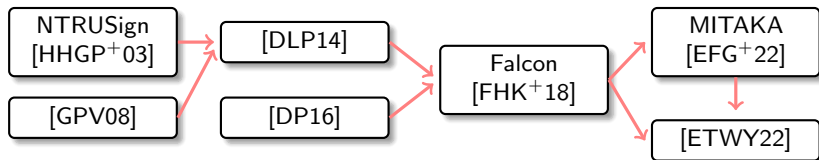


# Lattice-based signatures

## Fiat-Shamir with abort



## Hash-and-Sign



# Lattice-based signatures

## Fiat-Shamir with abort:

**Key:** ( $s$ : small secret,  $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{A}s \bmod q$ : public)

**Sign:** ( $c = H(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} \bmod q, m)$ ,  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} + c\mathbf{s}$ ) for short  $\mathbf{y}$ , with rejection sampling

**Verify:** check whether  $c = H(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} - c\mathbf{t} \bmod q, m)$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  is short.

## Correctness of FSwA:

- $\mathbf{y}$ ,  $s$ : short, and  $c = H(\cdot)$ : binary  $\Rightarrow c\mathbf{s}$ : short.  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} + c\mathbf{s}$ : short.
- $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} - c\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{y} + c\mathbf{s}) - c\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} + c(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} \bmod q$ .

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## Unforgeability of FSwA:

- **key** is secure  $\Leftarrow$  Module-LWE,
  - signature  $(c, \mathbf{z})$  **do not leak the secret**  $s$  due to rejection sampling,
  - **no new signatures** can be sampled **without**  $s \Leftarrow$  Module-SIS,
- even in the use of quantum algorithms.

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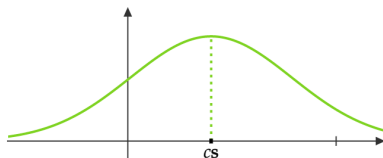
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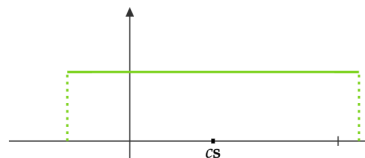
# Rejection sampling

**Leakage from  $(c, z = y + cs)$ ?**

With  $\infty$  pairs of  $(c, z = y + cs)$ , we can collect  $z$  for the same  $c$ :



$$y \leftarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$



$$y \leftarrow U[-a, a]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Recover  $s$  from  $cs$ .

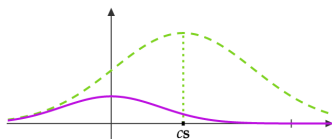
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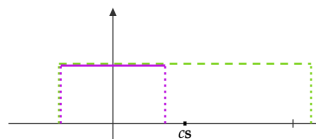
$$D_{\text{source}} = \{(c, \mathbf{z})\} \xrightarrow[\text{prob. } p(c, \mathbf{z})]{\text{reject with}} D_{\text{target}}$$

distribution of  $(c, \mathbf{z})$ ,  
possibly leak  $s$

new distribution,  
independent of  $s$



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# Rejection sampling

The **FSwA signatures** are commonly given as follows:

- 1  $\mathbf{y} \leftarrow D_0$
- 2  $c \leftarrow H(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}, m)$
- 3  $\mathbf{z} \leftarrow \mathbf{y} + c\mathbf{s}$
- 4 with probability  $\frac{p_{\text{target}}(c, \mathbf{z})}{M \cdot p_{\text{source}}(c, \mathbf{z})}$ , return  $\sigma = (c, \mathbf{z})$ , else go to step 1

$M$ : bounding factor for the probability to be  $\leq 1$ .

Final distribution  $\sim D_{\text{target}}$ .

Run-time  $\propto M$ .

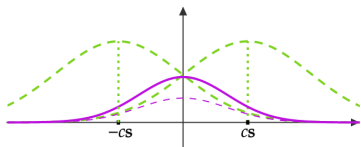
# Bimodal rejection sampling

Run-time  $\propto M$  ( $\approx$  green area / purple area).

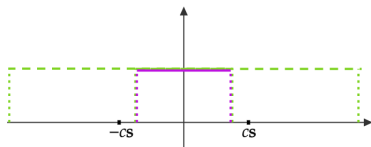
To decrease  $M$ , [DDLL13] uses

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} + (-1)^b cs \bmod 2q$$

instead of  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} + cs \bmod q$ :



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Note, no change for the uniform case.



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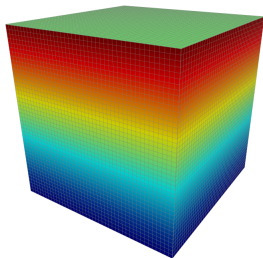
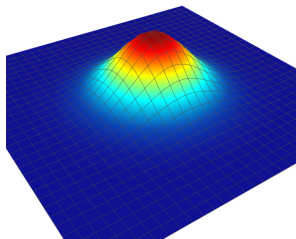
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# Hyperball bimodal rejection sampling

Previously, the randomness  $\mathbf{y}$  was chosen from either discrete Gaussian or uniform hypercube<sup>1</sup>.



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<sup>1</sup>The vectors  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  are high-dimensional vectors, so uniform in an interval is indeed a uniform hypercube.

# Hyperball bimodal rejection sampling

We, instead, use **uniform hyperball** distribution for sampling  $y$  [DFPS22];

- to exploit optimal  $M$ ,
- to reduce signature and verification key sizes,

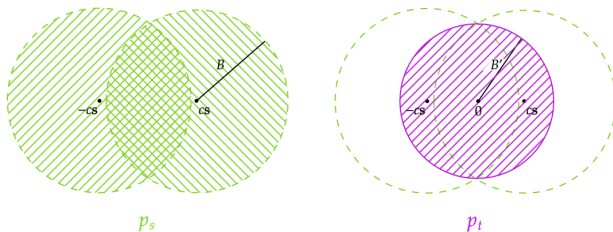


based on the **bimodal approach** [DDLL13].

# Hyperball bimodal rejection sampling

We reject  $(c, \mathbf{z}) \sim D_s$  (with p.d.f.  $p_s$ ) to a target distribution  $D_t$  (with p.d.f.  $p_t$ ), where

- $p_s$ : uniform in **hyperballs of radii  $B$**  centered at  $\pm cs$ 
  - union of two large balls
- $p_t$ : uniform in a **smaller hyperball of radii  $B'$**  centered at zero
  - a smaller ball in the middle



# Hyperball bimodal rejection sampling

- $p_s(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \text{vol}(\mathcal{B}(B))} \cdot \chi_{\|\mathbf{z} - c\mathbf{s}\| < B} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot \text{vol}(\mathcal{B}(B))} \cdot \chi_{\|\mathbf{z} + c\mathbf{s}\| < B},$
- $p_t(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{B}(B'))} \cdot \chi_{\|\mathbf{z}\| < B'}.$

$$\Rightarrow p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p_t(\mathbf{x})}{M \cdot p_s(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{\chi_{\|\mathbf{z}\| < B'}}{\chi_{\|\mathbf{z} - c\mathbf{s}\| < B} + \chi_{\|\mathbf{z} + c\mathbf{s}\| < B}}$$

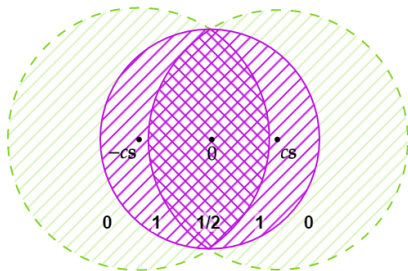
$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{z} \notin \mathcal{B}(B'), \\ 1/2 & \text{if } \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{B}(B') \cap \mathcal{B}(B, c\mathbf{s}) \cap \mathcal{B}(B, -c\mathbf{s}), \\ 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{B}(B') \setminus (\mathcal{B}(B, c\mathbf{s}) \cap \mathcal{B}(B, -c\mathbf{s})), \end{cases}$$

for some  $M > 0$ .

# Hyperball bimodal rejection sampling

That is, we return  $\mathbf{x} = (c, \mathbf{z})$  with probability

- 0: if  $\|\mathbf{z}\| \geq B'$ ,
- $1/2$ : else if  $\|\mathbf{z} - c\mathbf{s}\| < B$  and  $\|\mathbf{z} + c\mathbf{s}\| < B$ ,
- 1: otherwise.



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# Comparison to SotA lattice signatures.

For 120-bit classical security. Sizes are in bytes.

Scheme	<i>sig</i>	<i>vk</i>	KeyGen	Sign	
				sampling	rejection
Dilithium-2	2420	1312	fast	Hypercube	$\ \cdot\ _\infty < B$
Bliss-1024 <sup>2</sup>	1700	1792	fast	dGaussian at 0	reject with prob. $f(\text{sk}, \text{Sig})$
HAETAE120	1468	1056	fast	dHyperball at 0	$\ \cdot\ _2 < B$
Mitaka-512 <sup>3</sup>	713	896	slow	dGaussian at 0 & intGaussian at $H(m)$	none
Falcon-512	666	897	slow	dGaussian at $H(m)$	none

**Table:** Comparison between different lattice-based signature schemes.

<sup>2</sup>modified Bliss (to  $\geq 120$  bit-security) in Dilithium paper.

<sup>3</sup>Mitaka-512 has 102 bits of security



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# Current Status

## NIST PQC

- Competition for USA standard PQC schemes.
- HAETAE is one of the candidates in *Additional Signatures* track.

## KPQC

- Competition for Korean standard PQC schemes.
- HAETAE is advanced to Round 2, one of four candidates in *Digital Signatures* track.

Thank you!

Any question?

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# HAETAE description (high-level)

## KeyGen( $1^\lambda$ )

- 1:  $\mathbf{A}_{\text{gen}} \leftarrow \mathcal{R}_q^{k \times (\ell-1)}$  and  $(\mathbf{s}_{\text{gen}}, \mathbf{e}_{\text{gen}}) \leftarrow S_\eta^{\ell-1} \times S_\eta^k$
- 2:  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}_{\text{gen}} \cdot \mathbf{s}_{\text{gen}} + \mathbf{e}_{\text{gen}} \in \mathcal{R}_q^k$
- 3:  $\mathbf{A} = (-2\mathbf{b} + q\mathbf{j} \mid 2\mathbf{A}_{\text{gen}} \mid 2\mathbf{Id}_k) \bmod 2q$  and write  $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}_1 \mid 2\mathbf{Id}_k)$
- 4:  $\mathbf{s} = (1, \mathbf{s}_{\text{gen}}, \mathbf{e}_{\text{gen}})$
- 5: **if**  $\sigma_{\max}(\text{rot}(\mathbf{s}_{\text{gen}})) > \gamma$ , **then restart**
- 6: **Return**  $\text{sk} = \mathbf{s}, \text{vk} = \mathbf{A}$

## Sign(sk, $M$ )

- 1:  $\mathbf{y} \leftarrow U(\mathcal{B}_{(1/N)\mathcal{R}, (k+\ell)}(B))$
- 2:  $c = H(\text{HighBits}_{2q}^{\text{hint}}(\mathbf{A} \lfloor \mathbf{y} \rfloor, \alpha), \text{LSB}(\lfloor y_0 \rfloor), M) \in \mathcal{R}_2$
- 3:  $\mathbf{z} = (\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2) = \mathbf{y} + (-1)^b c \cdot \mathbf{s}$  **for**  $b \leftarrow U(\{0, 1\})$
- 4:  $\mathbf{h} = \text{HighBits}_{2q}^{\text{hint}}(\mathbf{A} \lfloor \mathbf{z} \rfloor - qc\mathbf{j}, \alpha) - \text{HighBits}_{2q}^{\text{hint}}(\mathbf{A}_1 \lfloor \mathbf{z}_1 \rfloor - qc\mathbf{j}, \alpha) \bmod^+ \frac{2(q-1)}{\alpha}$
- 5: **if**  $\|\mathbf{z}\|_2 \geq B'$ , **then restart**
- 6: **if**  $\|2\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2 < B$ , **then restart with probability**  $1/2$
- 7: **Return**  $\sigma = (\text{Encode}(\text{HighBits}(\lfloor \mathbf{z}_1 \rfloor, a)), \text{LowBits}(\lfloor \mathbf{z}_1 \rfloor, a), \text{Encode}(\mathbf{h}), c)$

## Verify(vk, $M, \sigma = (x, \mathbf{v}, h, c)$ )

- 1:  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}_1 = \text{Decode}(x) \cdot a + \mathbf{v}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{h}} = \text{Decode}(h)$
- 2:  $\mathbf{w} = \tilde{\mathbf{h}} + \text{HighBits}_{2q}^{\text{hint}}(\mathbf{A}_1 \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_1 - qc\mathbf{j}, \alpha) \bmod^+ \frac{2(q-1)}{\alpha}$
- 3:  $w' = \text{LSB}(\tilde{z}_0 - c)$
- 4:  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}_2 = [\mathbf{w} \cdot \alpha + w' \mathbf{j} - (\mathbf{A}_1 \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_1 - qc\mathbf{j})] / 2 \bmod^{\pm} q$
- 5:  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}} = (\tilde{\mathbf{z}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_2)$
- 6: **Return**  $(c = H(\mathbf{w}, w', M)) \wedge (\|\tilde{\mathbf{z}}\| < B'')$