Source code to verify the results from the paper titled "Rapidly Verifiable XMSS Signatures"

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The paper is online at: https://eprint.iacr.org/2020/898

This is the modified RFC code which includes the counter generation in the *signature generation*.

Compile with:

gcc -D SHIFT=10 -D LEN=3 -g -O3 -Wextra -Wpedantic -o test xmss_tests.c
params.c randombytes.c xmss_core_fast.c hash.c hash_address.c wots.c
utils.c xmss commons.c fips202.c xmss.c sha2.c

and set the SHIFT parameter to run the counter up to 2°SHIFT.

In xmss_tests.c one can change the message length which is by default #define XMSS MLEN (32+8)

--> 32 bytes for the message and 8 bytes for the counter.

There are various macros once can enable / disable in params.h

- * Set the macro ORIG to 1 if you want to execute the original RFC code.
- The macro PRECOMP can be set to 1 to use the hash precomputation trick as described in:

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LMS vs XMSS: Comparison of Stateful Hash-Based Signature Schemes on ARM Cortex-M4 $\,$

Fabio Campos and Tim Kohlstadt and Steffen Reith and Marc Stoettinger $\,$

Set the PRECOMP macro to 0 to not use this technique.

 * Set the macro ORIG to 0 if you want to use the algorithms described in the paper

related to signature generation and verification with a counter.

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Set the PRECOMP macro to 0 to not use this technique.

- By default the signature generation and verification are computed by the implementation.

If you only want to run the verification (for instance on an embedded device) do the following:

- 1. Set the macro PRINT SIGN to 1.
- 2. Compile the code.
- 3. Run and generate the signatures into sign.h:
 ./test 2> sign.h
- 4. Set PRINT SIGN back to 0 and set VERIFY ONLY to 1.
- 5. Compile the code.

6. Run the code (this now only computes the verification using the counters).

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This code modifies the reference XMSS implementation by Andreas Hülsing and Joost Rijneveld.

This code uses the sha2.c source code which is based on the public domain implementation in

crypto_hash/sha512/ref/ from http://bench.cr.yp.to/supercop.html by D. J.
Bernstein.

All included code is available under the CCO 1.0 Universal Public Domain Dedication.