

CKKS Error Estimation and Parameter

CKKS Error Estimation The number of error bits in fresh ciphertext c_1 encrypting message m_1 using error distribution $N(0, \sigma^2 I_N)$ and secret distribution $\{-1, 0, 1\}$ is given by (Using Central Limit Theory (CLT))

$$\epsilon_1 = \frac{1}{2} \log N(\rho_{fresh}^2 + \frac{1}{12}) + \log H_c(\alpha, N) \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{fresh}^2 &= (\frac{4}{3}N + 1)\sigma^2 \\ H_c(\alpha, N) &= (-\log(1 - (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{2}{N}}))^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

α = failure probability or error tolerance

Similarly, ciphertext c_2 encrypting message m_2 using error distribution $N(0, \sigma'^2 I_N)$ and same secret distribution can be written as

$$\epsilon_2 = \frac{1}{2} \log N(\rho_{fresh}'^2 + \frac{1}{12}) + \log H_c(\alpha, N) \quad (2)$$

where

$$\rho_{fresh}'^2 = (\frac{4}{3}N + 1)\sigma'^2$$

Addition Adding these two ciphertext results into ciphertext with error bits

$$\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 = \frac{1}{2} \log N(\rho_{fresh}''^2 + \frac{1}{6}) + \log 2H_c(\alpha, N) \quad (3)$$

where

$$\rho_{fresh}''^2 = (\frac{4}{3}N + 1)(\sigma^2 + \sigma'^2)$$

Multiplication by constant : Multiplying the ciphertext with a constant results in a ciphertext with error as

$$err = \|\lambda\|_2^2 (\frac{4}{3}N + 1)\sigma^2 \quad (4)$$

Multiplication : Multiplication of two ciphertext results into ciphertext with error of the following form

$$B_{final\ error} = \Delta^{-1}(B_{mult} + B_{ks}) + B_{round} \quad (5)$$

$$B_{mult} = N(0, N\rho_{fresh}^2\rho_{fresh}'^2 I_N)$$

$$B_{ks} = N(0, \eta_{ks}^2 I_N)$$

$$B_{round} = N(0, \eta_{round}^2 I_N)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{fresh}^2 &= \left(\frac{4}{3}N + 1\right)\sigma^2 \\ \rho_{fresh}'^2 &= \left(\frac{4}{3}N + 1\right)\sigma'^2 \\ \eta_{ks}^2 &= \frac{1}{12}p^{-2}q_l^2 N\sigma^2 + 1_{p \nmid q_l} \left(\frac{N}{18} + \frac{1}{12}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{12}N\sigma^2 \quad [usually\ p^{-2}q_l^2 \approx 1] \\ \eta_{round}^2 &= \frac{N}{18} + \frac{1}{12} \end{aligned}$$

The final error of multiplication of two ciphertext can be written down as

$$\begin{aligned} B_{final\ error} &= \Delta^{-1}(N(0, N\rho_{fresh}^2\rho_{fresh}'^2 I_N) + N(0, \eta_{ks}^2 I_N)) + N(0, \eta_{round}^2 I_N) \\ &= N(0, \Delta^{-2}N(\rho_{fresh}^2\rho_{fresh}'^2 + \frac{1}{12}\sigma^2)I_N) + N(0, (\frac{N}{18} + \frac{1}{12})I_N) \\ &= N\left(0, \left(\Delta^{-2}N(\rho_{fresh}^2\rho_{fresh}'^2 + \frac{1}{12}\sigma^2) + \frac{N}{18} + \frac{1}{12}\right)I_N\right) \\ &= N(0, \rho_{mult\ error}^2 I_N) \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where

$$\rho_{mult\ error}^2 = \Delta^{-2}N(\rho_{fresh}^2\rho_{fresh}'^2 + \frac{1}{12}\sigma^2) + \frac{N}{18} + \frac{1}{12}$$

CKKS parameter Here is the list of parameter values suggested by the homomorphic encryption standar to retain differnt security levels.

N	security level	$\log q$	uSVP	dec	dual
1024	128	25	132.6	165.5	142.3
	192	17	199.9	284.1	222.2
	256	13	262.6	423.1	296.6
2048	128	51	128.6	144.3	133.4
	192	35	193.5	231.9	205.2
	256	27	257.1	327.8	274.4
4096	128	101	129.6	137.4	131.5
	192	70	193.7	213.6	198.8
	256	54	259.7	295.2	270.6
8192	128	202	129.8	130.7	128.0
	192	141	192.9	202.5	196.1
	256	109	258.3	276.6	263.1
16384	128	411	128.2	129.5	129.0
	192	284	192.0	196.8	193.7
	256	220	257.2	265.8	260.7
32768	128	827	128.1	128.7	128.4
	192	571	192.0	194.1	193.1
	256	443	256.1	260.4	260.4

Table 1: The differnt parameter values shown in the table means following N is the ring dimension, security level is the bit security provided by the chosen parameter value equivalent to that of AES, $\log q$ is the number of bits in the modulus q . $uSVP$ represents the bit security against attack using unique shortest vector problem, dec represents the bit security against decoding attack and $dual$ represnts the bit security against dual attack.