

Analysis of the security of the PSSI problem and cryptanalysis of Durandal signature scheme

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Families of post-quantum signatures

- Euclidean lattices
- Error-correcting codes
 - Hamming metric
 - Rank metric
- Isogenies
- Quadratic Multivariate
- Hash-based

Hamming metric

Definition (Hamming weight)

The Hamming weight of a word $\mathbf{x} \in (\mathbb{F}_q)^n$ is its number of non-zero coordinates :

$$w(\mathbf{x}) = \#\{i : x_i \neq 0\}$$

Definition (Hamming support)

The Hamming support of a word $\mathbf{x} \in (\mathbb{F}_q)^n$ is the set of indexes of its non-zero coordinates :

$$\text{Supp}(\mathbf{x}) = \{i : x_i \neq 0\}$$

Rank metric

In the rank metric, coordinates are in \mathbb{F}_{q^m} (which is a field extension of \mathbb{F}_q of degree m).

Definition (Rank weight)

Let $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_m)$ be an \mathbb{F}_q -basis of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} . A word $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in (\mathbb{F}_{q^m})^n$ can be unfolded against γ :

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,1} & \dots & x_{n,1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{1,m} & \dots & x_{n,m} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_{m,n}(\mathbb{F}_q)$$

where $x_i = \sum_{j=1}^m x_{i,j} \gamma_j$.

The rank weight of \mathbf{x} is defined as the rank of this matrix :

$$w_r(\mathbf{x}) = \text{rk } \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}) \in [0, \min(m, n)]$$

Rank metric

Definition (Rank support)

The support of a word $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in (\mathbb{F}_{q^m})^n$ is the \mathbb{F}_q -subspace of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} generated by its coordinates :

$$\text{Supp}_r(\mathbf{x}) = \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{F}_q}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

And likewise the Hamming metric, the rank weight is equal to the dimension of the rank support.

Difficult problems in code-based cryptography

Definition (Syndrome Decoding $SD(n, k, w)$)

Given a random parity check matrix $\mathbf{H} \in \mathcal{M}_{n-k, n}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and a syndrome $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{e}$ for \mathbf{e} an error of Hamming weight $w_h(\mathbf{e}) = w$, find \mathbf{e} .

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Durandal signature scheme

- Rank-based signature presented at EUROCRYPT'19 [ABG⁺19]
- Adaptation of Schnorr-Lyubashevsky proof of knowledge, with variations to avoid attacks
- Fiat-Shamir heuristic to transform into a signature scheme
- No equivalent found for Hamming metric
- Based on problems : RSL, IRSD, **PSSI**

Major types of post-quantum signatures

Hash and Sign

- Efficient
- Enables advanced protocols (IBE, ABE...)
- Hard to design

Fiat-Shamir

- Balanced performance
- Often based on ad-hoc difficult problems

Hash-based

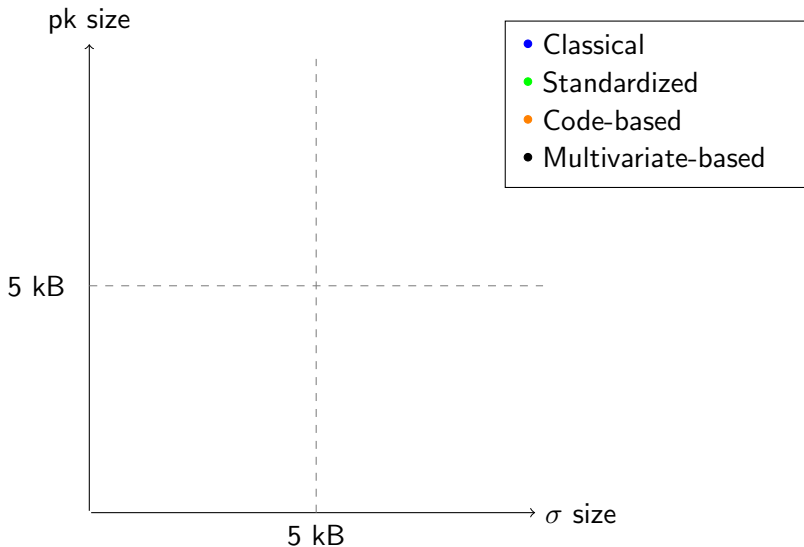
- High security
- Small public key
- Large signature size, slow to verify

Comparison of post-quantum signatures

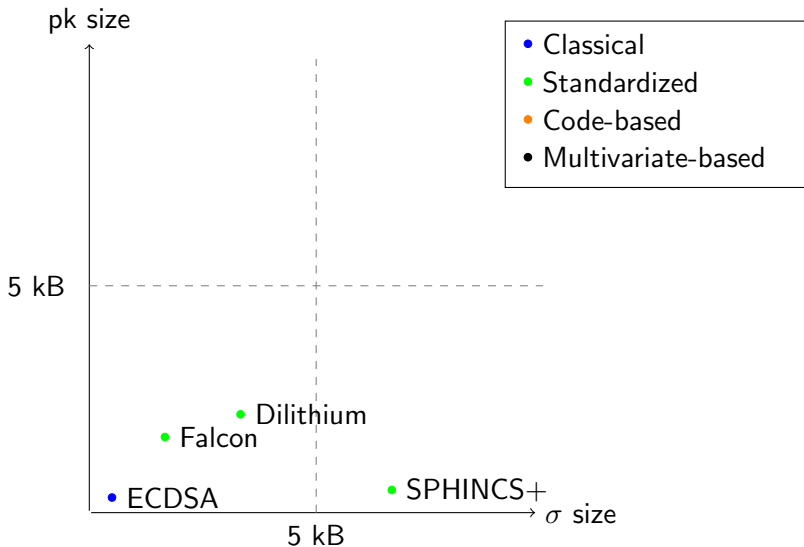
Name	Family	Type	pk size	σ size
ECDSA (Ed25519)	Classic		32B	64B
Falcon	Lattice	H&S	897B	666B
CRYSTALS-DILITHIUM	Lattice	F-S	1,3kB	2,4kB
WAVE [DAST19]	Hamming	H&S	3MB	1,6kB
SD-in-the-Head (3s) [FJR22]	Hamming	F-S	144B	8,5kB
Durandal-I	Rank	F-S	15.2kB	4.1kB
MAYO [Beu22]	Multivariate	H&S	518B	494B
SPHINCS+ (128s)	Hash		64B	8kB

Comparison of a few post-quantum signatures for 128 bits of security.

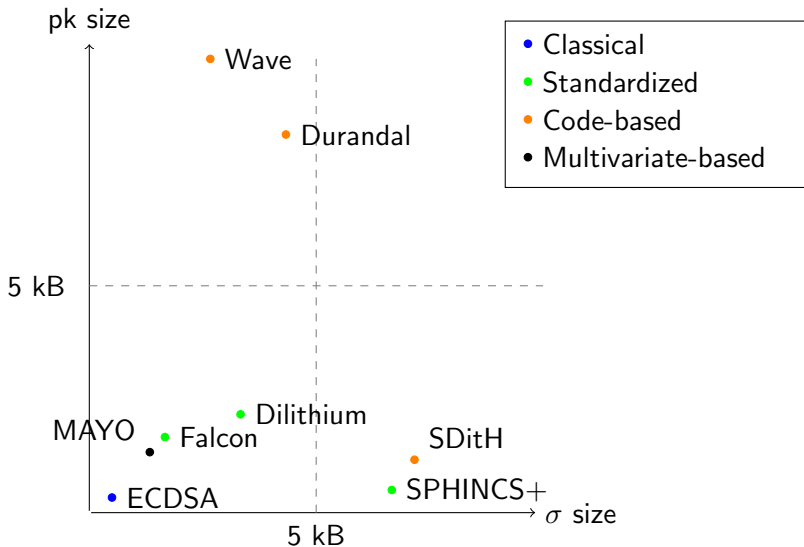
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Notation

- $\mathbf{Gr}(d, \mathbb{F}_{q^m})$ is the set of subspaces of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} of \mathbb{F}_q -dimension d .
- $x \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} X$ means that x is chosen uniformly at random in X
- For E, F \mathbb{F}_q -subspaces of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} , the product space EF is defined as :

$$EF := \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{F}_q}\{ef \mid e \in E, f \in F\}$$

If (e_1, \dots, e_r) and (f_1, \dots, f_d) are basis of E and F , then $(e_i f_j)_{1 \leq i \leq r, 1 \leq j \leq d}$ contains a basis of EF .

Product space : example

Example

$(1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \alpha^4, \alpha^5)$ is a base of $\mathbb{F}_{2^6} \approx \mathbb{F}_2[\alpha]$.

As an exemple, let :

$$E = \text{Vect}\{1, \alpha\} = \{0, 1, \alpha, 1 + \alpha\}$$

$$F = \text{Vect}\{\alpha^2, \alpha^4\} = \{0, \alpha^2, \alpha^4, \alpha^2 + \alpha^4\}$$

$$EF = \text{Vect}\{\alpha^2, \alpha^3, \alpha^4, \alpha^5\}$$

PSSI problem

Definition (PSS sample)

Let $E \subset \mathbb{F}_{q^m}$ a subspace of \mathbb{F}_q -dimension r . A Product Space Subspace (PSS) sample is a pair of subspaces (F, Z) defined as follows :

- $F \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbf{Gr}(d, \mathbb{F}_{q^m})$
- $U \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbf{Gr}(rd - \lambda, EF)$ such that $\{ef \mid e \in E, f \in F\} \cap U = \{0\}$
- $W \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbf{Gr}(w, \mathbb{F}_{q^m})$
- $Z = W + U$

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We keep the same field $\mathbb{F}_{2^6} \approx \mathbb{F}_2[\alpha]$ with

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$$U = \text{Vect}\{\alpha^3 + \alpha^5\} \rightarrow \text{NOK}$$

$$U = \text{Vect}\{\alpha^2 + \alpha^5\} \rightarrow \text{OK}$$

PSSI problem

Definition (Random sample)

A random sample is a couple of subspaces (F, Z) with :

- $F \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbf{Gr}(d, \mathbb{F}_{q^m})$
- $Z \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbf{Gr}(w + rd - \lambda, \mathbb{F}_{q^m})$
- F and Z are independent

PSSI problem

Definition (PSSI problem, from Durandal [ABG⁺19])

The Product Spaces Subspaces Indistinguishability (PSSI) problem consists in deciding whether N samples (F_i, Z_i) are PSS samples or random samples.

Definition (Search-PSSI problem)

Given N PSS samples (F_i, Z_i) , the search-PSSI problem consists in finding the vector space E of dimension r .

What happens if $\lambda = 0$?

There is no filtration : $(F, Z) = (F, W + EF)$.

Take (f_1, \dots, f_d) a basis of F .

To find E in one sample, compute :

$$A = \bigcap_{i=1}^d f_i^{-1} Z$$

Similar arguments than LRPC decoding :

$$\begin{aligned} f_i^{-1} Z &= f_i^{-1} f_1 E + \dots + E + \dots + f_i^{-1} f_d E + f_i^{-1} W \\ &= E + R_i \end{aligned}$$

Caveat : $\dim(Z)$ needs to be significantly lower than m .

Practical parameters for PSSI

m	w	r	d	λ
241	57	6	6	12

Secret : $E \subset \mathbb{F}_{2^{241}}$

$$\dim(E) = 6$$

PSS sample : $(F, Z) \subset \mathbb{F}_{2^{241}}$

$$\dim(F) = 6$$

$$\dim(Z) = 81$$

$$Z = W + U \text{ with } U \subsetneq EF$$

Existing attack for PSSI

Choose $A \subset F$ a subspace of dimension 2 and check whether

$$\dim(AZ) < 2(w + rd - \lambda)$$

Proposition ([ABG⁺19])

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Several problems :

- The distinguisher only uses **one** signature ;
- It does not depend on w ;
- It does not allow to recover the secret space E .

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Combining two instances

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With great probability,

$$A = E(F_1 F_2)$$

$(F_1 Z_2 + F_2 Z_1$ is **not** filtered in $E(F_1 F_2))$

A partial explanation

If there exists $(e_1, e_2, f_1, f'_1, f_2, f'_2)$ such that

$$e_1 f_1 + e_2 f'_1 = z_1 \in Z_1$$

$$e_1 f_2 + e_2 f'_2 = z_2 \in Z_2$$

then

$$f'_1 z_2 - f'_2 z_1 = e_1 (f'_1 f_2 - f'_2 f_1)$$

Protection by m

Recall that

- $\dim F = d$
- $\dim Z = w + rd - \lambda$

so

$$\dim F_1 Z_2 + F_2 Z_1 = 2d(w + rd - \lambda) > m$$

but we can take subspaces of F_1 and F_2 to remain below m !

m	w	r	d	λ	$w + rd - \lambda$
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Refining the first observation

By drawing randomly

$$(f_1, f'_1) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_1, (f_2, f'_2) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_2$$

we get a possibility of having a product element ef (with $e \in E, f \in F_1 F_2$) :

$$ef \in f'_1 Z_2 + f'_2 Z_1$$

We need :

- A way to recover this element $e \in E$;
- A precise probability of recovering e

Simultaneous 2-sums

If the attacker is lucky, after drawing random couples

$$(f_1, f'_1) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_1, (f_2, f'_2) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_2, (f_3, f'_3) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_3, (f_4, f'_4) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_4,$$

there exists a couple $(e, e') \in E^2$, such that a system (\mathcal{S}) of four conditions is verified :

$$(\mathcal{S}) : \begin{cases} ef_1 + e'f'_1 = z_1 \in Z_1 \\ ef_2 + e'f'_2 = z_2 \in Z_2 \\ ef_3 + e'f'_3 = z_3 \in Z_3 \\ ef_4 + e'f'_4 = z_4 \in Z_4 \end{cases}$$

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$$e = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} z_i & f'_i \\ z_j & f'_j \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} f_i & f'_i \\ f_j & f'_j \end{vmatrix}}.$$

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$$\langle e \rangle = \bigcap_{i \neq j} \frac{\begin{vmatrix} Z_i & f'_i \\ Z_j & f'_j \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} f_i & f'_i \\ f_j & f'_j \end{vmatrix}}.$$

The attack

Input : Four PSSI samples $(F_1, Z_1), (F_2, Z_2), (F_3, Z_3), (F_4, Z_4)$

- Step 1 : Draw

$$(f_1, f'_1) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_1, (f_2, f'_2) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_2, (f_3, f'_3) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_3, (f_4, f'_4) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_4$$

- Step 2 : Compute

$$B = \bigcap_{i \neq j} \frac{\begin{vmatrix} Z_i & f'_i \\ Z_j & f'_j \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} f_i & f'_i \\ f_j & f'_j \end{vmatrix}}.$$

- Step 3 : If $\dim(B) = 0$ or $\dim(B) > 1$, go back to Step 1.
- Step 4 : If $B = \langle e \rangle$, add e to E_{guess} and restart with new samples.

Probability of existence of 2-sums

Heuristic

Let $(e_1, e_2) \in E$ and $U \subset EF$ filtered of dimension $rd - \lambda$.

For $(f_1, f_2) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F$ the event

$$e_1 f_1 + e_2 f_2 \in U$$

happens with probability $q^{-\lambda}$.

Probability of existence of 2-sums

Lemma

Let $(f_i, f'_i) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_i$ for $i \in [1, 4]$. Under the previous heuristic, and if $\lambda = 2r$, the probability ε that there exists a pair $(e, e') \in E^2$, such that the system (S) of four conditions is verified

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admits an asymptotic development

$$\varepsilon = q^{-6r} + o_{r \rightarrow \infty}(q^{-10r})$$

Does this really work ?

We want the chain of intersections

$$B = \bigcap_{i \neq j} \frac{\begin{vmatrix} Z_i & f'_i \\ Z_j & f'_j \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} f_i & f'_i \\ f_j & f'_j \end{vmatrix}}.$$

to be equal to $\{0\}$, in general.

All the subspaces $f_i Z_j + f_j Z_i$ are of dimension $2(w + rd - \lambda)$.

m	w	r	d	λ	$2(w + rd - \lambda)$
241	57	6	6	12	162

Probabilities on the intersection of two vector spaces

Heuristic

Let A and B be uniformly random and independent subspaces of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} of dimension a and b , respectively.

- If $a + b < m$, then $\mathbb{P}(\dim(A \cap B) > 0) \approx q^{a+b-m}$;
- If $a + b \geq m$, then the most probable outcome is $\dim(A \cap B) = a + b - m$.

Generalization to n intersections

Heuristic

For $1 \leq i \leq n$, let $A_i \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbf{Gr}(a, \mathbb{F}_{q^m})$ be independent subspaces of fixed dimension a .

- If $na < (n-1)m$, then $\mathbb{P}(\dim(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i) > 0) \approx q^{na-(n-1)m}$;
- If $na \geq (n-1)m$, then the most probable outcome is $\dim(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i) = na - (n-1)m$;

In our setting :

- $a = 162, m = 241, n = 4$

$$\mathbb{P}(\dim(B) > 0) \approx q^{-75}$$

Total complexity of the attack

Proposition

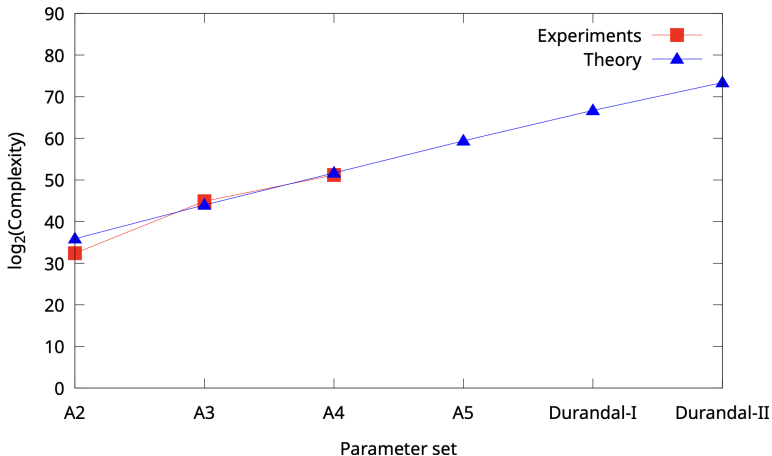
The average complexity of the attack is :

$$\left(r + \frac{1}{q-1}\right) \times 160m(w + rd - \lambda)^2 \times q^{6r}$$

operations in \mathbb{F}_q .

	Theoretical complexity
Durandal-I	2^{66}
Durandal-II	2^{73}

Experimental results



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Combinatorial factor of the attack

$$\approx q^{6r}$$

(when $\lambda = 2r$)

- Increase λ \Rightarrow Impossible due to inexistence of solution
- Decrease m \Rightarrow Impossible due to Singleton bound
- Increase r \Rightarrow Very large parameters... ($m \geq 400$)

Increase q !

New parameters

q	m	k	n	w	r	d	λ
2	241	101	202	57	6	6	12
pk size	σ size	MaxMinors [BBC ⁺ 20]			Our attack		
15.2KB	4.1KB	98			56		



q	m	k	n	w	r	d	λ
4	173	85	170	5	8	9	18
pk size	σ size	MaxMinors [BBC ⁺ 20]			Our attack		
14.7KB	5.1KB	232			128		
Keygen		Signature			Verification		
5ms		350ms			2ms		

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Conclusion

- Analysis of a less studied problem at the core of a competitive signature scheme
- New secure parameters remain attractive
- Optimizations makes the scheme even more competitive

Perspectives

- Refine the analysis on the security of PSSI problem
- Tweak to avoid the new attack on PSSI without penalizing the parameters

Thank you for your attention !
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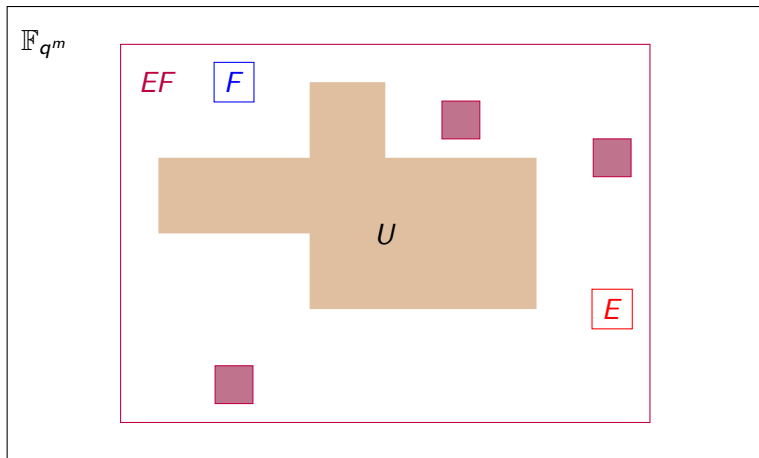
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then

$$f'_1 z_2 + f'_2 z_1 = e_1 (f'_1 f_2 + f'_2 f_1)$$

Impossibility to avoid 2-sums



Refining the first observation

By drawing randomly a matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_1 & f'_1 \\ f_2 & f'_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (f_1, f'_1) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_1, (f_2, f'_2) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_2$$

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The attack

We consider three samples :

$$(F_1, Z_1)$$

$$(F_2, Z_2)$$

$$(F_3, Z_3)$$

Let $(f_1, f'_1) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} F_1$. With probability greater than

$$(1 - 1/e)^3 \approx 0,25$$

there exists elements such that

$$e_1 f_1 + e_2 f'_1 = z_1 \in Z_1 \tag{1}$$

$$e_1 f_2 + e_2 f'_2 = z_2 \in Z_2 \tag{2}$$

$$e_1 f_3 + e_2 f'_3 = z_3 \in Z_3 \tag{3}$$

Recovering elements of E

Suppose $\begin{pmatrix} f_1 & f'_1 \\ f_2 & f'_2 \end{pmatrix}$ invertible, we can recover e_1 and e_2 with

$$e_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} z_1 & f'_1 \\ z_2 & f'_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f'_1 \\ f_2 & f'_2 \end{vmatrix}} \in \frac{\begin{vmatrix} Z_1 & f'_1 \\ Z_2 & f'_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f'_1 \\ f_2 & f'_2 \end{vmatrix}} = \begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f'_1 \\ f_2 & f'_2 \end{vmatrix}^{-1} (f'_2 Z_1 + f'_1 Z_2)$$

Similarly,

$$e_2 \in \begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f'_1 \\ f_2 & f'_2 \end{vmatrix}^{-1} (f_2 Z_1 + f_1 Z_2)$$

Combining signatures two by two

Compute

$$A := \frac{f'_2 Z_1 + f'_1 Z_2}{\begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f'_1 \\ f_2 & f'_2 \end{vmatrix}} \cap \frac{f'_3 Z_1 + f'_1 Z_3}{\begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f'_1 \\ f_3 & f'_3 \end{vmatrix}} \cap \frac{f'_3 Z_2 + f'_2 Z_3}{\begin{vmatrix} f_2 & f'_2 \\ f_3 & f'_3 \end{vmatrix}}$$

With great probability,

- If we are in the case of equations (1), (2) and (3) then $A = \text{Vect}(e_1)$
- Else, $A = \{0\}$ and we retry with other random (f_2, f'_2, f_3, f'_3) .

$$\text{Probability of success} \approx 0.25q^{-4d}$$

Signing process in Durandal

To produce a Durandal signature, we need to solve a system :

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{c}\mathbf{S}' + \mathbf{p}\mathbf{S}$$

with

- $\mathbf{p} \in F^{4k}$ unknown
- $\text{Supp}(\mathbf{z}) \subset U$ filtered subspace in EF of codimension λ
- \mathbf{c} depending on the message
- \mathbf{S} and \mathbf{S}' the secret key

Signing process in Durandal

It is shown to be equivalent to solving :

$$\mathbf{M} \begin{pmatrix} p_{11} \\ \vdots \\ p_{i\ell} \\ \vdots \\ p_{lkd} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{b} \quad (4)$$

where \mathbf{M} is the binary matrix

$$\mathbf{M} = (\pi_h(f_\ell \mathbf{S}_{ij}))_{11 \leq i\ell \leq lkd, 11 \leq hj \leq \lambda n} \quad (5)$$

(π_h is the projector on the last λ coordinates of EF)

Naive inversion

M is a large $\lambda n \times \lambda n$ binary matrix.

Cost : $O((\lambda n)^\omega)$

Spotting structure in M

M is composed of ideal blocks $M_{\ell,h} = \pi_h(f_\ell S)$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|ccc|c} & & & & \\ & M_{1,1} & & & M_{1,\lambda} \\ \hline & & \dots & & \\ \hline & & \dots & & \\ \hline & & & & \\ & \vdots & M_{\ell,h} & \vdots & \\ & & & & \\ \hline & & \dots & & \\ \hline & & \dots & & \\ \hline & M_{d,1} & & & M_{d,\lambda} \\ \hline & & & & \end{array} \right)$$

Spotting structure in M

Each block is of size $k \times k$ and can be inverted with Euclid's algorithm (with cost $O(k \log k)$).

We then use Strassen algorithm :

	Naive	Ours
Cost	$O((\lambda n)^\omega)$	$O(\lambda^\omega n \log n)$

Keygen	Signature	Verification
5ms	350ms 40ms	5ms

Variant scheme

Sign

$$\mathbf{y} \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} (W + EF)^n$$
$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{yH}^\top$$

Verify

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Hz}^\top + \mathbf{S}'\mathbf{c}^\top + \mathbf{Sp}^\top$$

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Verify

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{z}^\top + \mathbf{S}'\mathbf{c}^\top + \mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}^\top$$

Sign

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{F}_q^b$$

$$\text{Solve } \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{y}\hat{\mathbf{H}}^\top \text{ with}$$

$$\text{Supp}(\mathbf{y}) = W + EF$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}\mathbf{H}^\top$$

Verify

$$\text{Solve}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{H}}\mathbf{z}^\top + \hat{\mathbf{S}}'\mathbf{c}^\top + \hat{\mathbf{S}}\mathbf{p}^\top \text{ with}$$

$$\text{Supp}(\mathbf{z})$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{z}^\top + \mathbf{S}'\mathbf{c}^\top + \mathbf{S}\mathbf{p}^\top$$