NTRU in Quaternion Algebras of Bounded Discriminant

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Reasons for assuming: [FPMS22], [PMS21], ... and time.

What about different \mathcal{R} ?

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[CG05],[CPSWX19],[CKKS19]: $f(x) = x^n + 1$. Fh $= \mathbf{g} \in \mathcal{R}_q^k$.

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Orders: subrings which are full-rank lattices; e.g. 'natural' order:

$$\Lambda := \mathcal{O}_L \oplus u\mathcal{O}_L$$

 Λ is a maximal order in \mathcal{A} .

$$\Lambda_q := \Lambda/q\Lambda = \mathcal{O}_L/q\mathcal{O}_L \oplus u\mathcal{O}_L/q\mathcal{O}_L$$

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We change the above PKE scheme to obtain IND-CPA security from **Cyclic LWE**.

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[GMLV22]: a reduction from SIVP on ideal lattices in Λ to search CLWE, and a (restricted) search-to-decision reduction.

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Compare to [CPSWX19],[CKKS19] in rank 2:

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Motivations

- [CKKS19] has no security proof. [CPSWX19] proves uniformity of public keys for partially split q - but recommends fully split q for efficiency. We prove uniformity of public keys for fully split q.
- 2. To understand cryptographic properties in CDAs and of CLWE.
- 3. Quaternions algebras offer a natural generalisation of number fields.

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- 2. \mathcal{B} runs \mathcal{A} with $pk = h = p \cdot a \in \Lambda_q$.
- 3. \mathcal{A} outputs messages $m_0, m_1 \in \Lambda_p^{\vee}$, then $\mathcal{B} \ b \leftrightarrow U(\{0,1\})$, computes $c = p \cdot c' + m_b$, and sends c to \mathcal{A} . So \mathcal{A} has $(pa, pc' + m_b) = (h, hs + pe + m_b)$.
- 4. \mathcal{A} guesses b' for b. If b' = b, \mathcal{B} outputs 1. Else, \mathcal{B} outputs 0.

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$$\begin{split} \mathsf{disc}(\Lambda/\mathbb{Z}) &:= \left\{ \mathsf{det}\left(\mathsf{Tr}\left(x_{i}x_{j}\right)\right)_{i,j=1}^{nd^{2}} \mid (x_{1},\ldots,x_{nd^{2}}) \in \Lambda^{nd^{2}} \right\} \\ &\qquad \mathsf{disc}(\Lambda/\mathbb{Z}) \leq (n\sqrt{\ell})^{4n} \end{split}$$

Let \mathcal{I} be an ideal of Λ . Then

$$\lambda_1(\mathcal{I}) \leq (nd^2)^{1/2} N_{\mathcal{A}/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathcal{I})^{1/nd^2} \operatorname{disc}(\Lambda/\mathbb{Z})^{1/2nd^2}.$$

Thankyou for Listening! And Future Work

- Trapdoor basis of CNTRU lattice
- Higher index CDAs?

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