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Novel efficient identity-based signature on lattices

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Motivation

- Lattice-based cryptography is one of the popular post-quantum cryptographies, and has attracted a lot of attention.
- Because public keys do not require authentication, the use of identity-based cryptosystems is becoming widespread. Identity-based signature (IBS) is one of the important applications.
- There is no IBS scheme on lattices without trapdoors.

Main idea

- Lyubashevsky (2009) constructed a signature scheme based on the hardness of finding the approximate shortest vector within a factor of $O(n^2)$ in the random oracle model.
- Lyubashevsky's scheme does not use Gaussian sampling or trapdoor technologies, which would take up much computing resource.
- By employing Lyubashevsky's scheme twice, we can construct an IBS scheme based on the hardness of finding the approximate shortest vector problem.

Method

1. Extract algorithm

Given params, msk, and identity $ID \in \{0, 1\}^*$, the calculation is as follows:

(1) Choose $\hat{r}_{ID} \xleftarrow{\$} D^m$ and compute $\tilde{Q}_{ID} = h(\hat{r}_{ID})$;

(2) Calculate $\tilde{e} = H(ID, \tilde{Q}_{ID})$ and $\hat{s}_{ID} = \hat{s}_0 \tilde{e} + \hat{r}_{ID}$;

(3) If $\hat{s}_{ID} \notin D_z^m$, then go to step (1);

(4) Return $(\hat{s}_{ID}, \tilde{Q}_{ID})$ to the user with identity ID, where $\hat{s}_{ID}$ is secret and $\tilde{Q}_{ID}$ is public.

Users can verify the correctness of the secret key $sk_{ID} = \hat{s}_{ID}$ by checking if $\hat{s}_{ID} \in D_z^m$ and $h(\hat{s}_{ID}) = \tilde{S}\tilde{e} + \tilde{Q}_{ID}$, where $\tilde{e} = H(ID, \tilde{Q}_{ID})$.

2. Sign algorithm

Given params, message $\mu \in \{0, 1\}^*$, and signing key sk_{ID} , the calculation is as follows:

- (1) Choose $\hat{\mathbf{y}} \xleftarrow{\$} D_s^m$ and compute $\tilde{Y} = h(\hat{\mathbf{y}})$;
- (2) Calculate $\tilde{c} = H(\mu, \tilde{Y}, \tilde{Q}_{\text{ID}})$ and $\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \hat{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{c} + \hat{\mathbf{s}}_{\text{ID}}$;
- (3) If $\hat{\mathbf{z}} \notin D_z^m$, then go to step (1);
- (4) Output the signature $\text{sig} = (\hat{\mathbf{z}}, \tilde{Y})$.

Major results

Table 2 Comparison of the scheme size

Scheme	Signing key size (bit)	Signature size (bit)
Xie et al. (2016)'s	$2n \log(\hat{s}\sqrt{n})$	$2n \log(12\hat{\sigma}) + n(\log \lambda + 1)$
Tian and Huang (2014)'s	$m'k \log(s\sqrt{m'})$	$m' \log(12\sigma) + \lambda(\log k + 1)$
Ours	$mn \log(2d) + n \log p$	$mn \log(2d) + n \log p$

Table 4 Comparison of the computation complexity and security

Scheme	Gaussian sampling	Trapdoor generation	Security
Xie et al. (2016)'s	Yes	Yes	EU-CMA
Tian and Huang (2014)'s	Yes	Yes	EU-CMA
Ours	No	No	SU-CMA

Our scheme is not optimal in size, but has lower computational complexity and higher security.

Conclusions

- By studying Lyubashevsky's scheme, we can know how the IBS scheme avoids using the sampling or trapdoor technique. Thus, we have constructed a new IBS scheme based on lattices.
- Our scheme does not use the sampling or trapdoor technique. This makes our scheme more computationally efficient than prior schemes.
- We have proved that our scheme is strongly unforgeable against adaptive chosen message and identity attacks in the random oracle model.