

Secure Connected Devices

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Secure Connected Devices

Trusted Hardware

- PUF-based authentication
- Hardware Trojan Detection
- Side Channel Analysis
- Security & Approximate Computing
- Deep Learning in HW Security

Advanced Crypto Architectures

- Post-quantum crypto architectures
- Hybrid quantum/PQC designs
- Homomorphic Encryption, IBE, ABE
- Password Authenticated Key Exchange



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Post-quantum Cryptography & Hybrid Quantum/PQC Designs



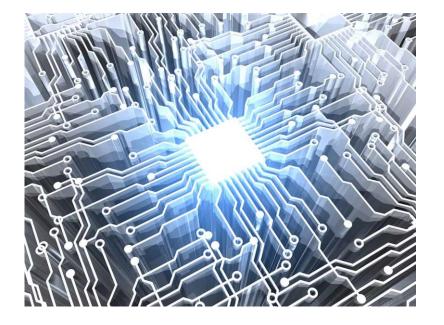


"There is a 1 in 7 chance that some fundamental public-key crypto will be broken by quantum by 2026, and a 1 in 2 chance of the same by 2031." –Dr. Michele Mosca, U. of Waterloo

What happens if/when quantum computers become a reality?

Commonly used public-key cryptographic algorithms (based on integer factorization and discrete log problem) such as:

RSA, DSA, Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange, ECC, ECDSA will no longer be secure due to Shor's algorithm.



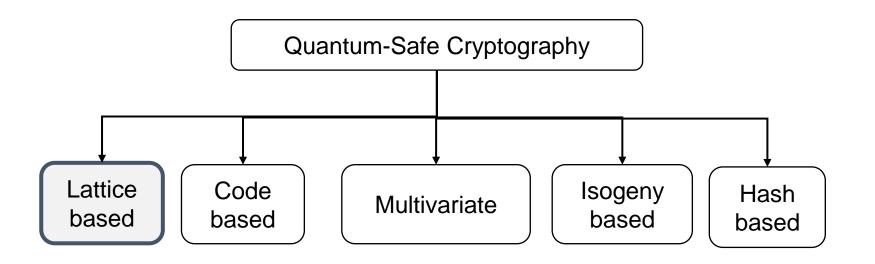




Quantum-safe or Post-quantum cryptography (PQC)

Cryptosystems from classical problems that are secure today, **and** should remain secure even after practical quantum computing becomes a reality

Quantum-Safe Cryptography



Lattice-based cryptography is flourishing:

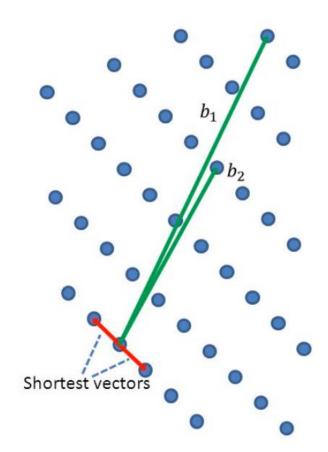
- IBM offering quantum safe TLS option in IBM cloud
- AWS offer hybrid post-quantum TLS with Kyber
- Google using PQC (NTRU-HRSS)





Lattice-based cryptography (LBC)

- LBC is based on shortest vector/closest vector problems
- LBC encryption and digital signature schemes already practical & efficient, i.e. can match/outperform ECDSA/RSA schemes
- Underlying operations can be implemented efficiently
- Allows for other constructions/applications beyond encryption/signatures: *Identity based encryption, Attribute-based* encryption, Fully homomorphic encryption



Lattice Based Cryptography



Currently two popular lattice-based problems for cryptography are the Learning With Error (LWE) problem and Ring-LWE problem

LWE problem: find a secret key **s**, given access to $(A, b) \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times n} \times \mathbb{Z}_q^n$, where $b \equiv As + e \mod q$

Standard-LWE	Ring-LWE
Large key sizes required (size N ²)	Reduced key sizes can be used due to ideal lattice assumption (size N)
Matrix-vector multiplications required	Reduces computations to polynomial multiplication, allowing use of fast NTT multiplication
Security is based on the LWE problem	Security is based on the LWE problem with an additional security assumption to use an ideal lattice structure



EU H2020 SAFEcrypto Project

Jan 2015 - Dec 2018

SAFEcrypto (Secure Architectures for Future Emerging Cryptography)

- a new generation of practical, robust and physically secure post-quantum cryptographic solutions that ensure long-term security for future ICT systems, services and applications.

- Focus on lattice-based cryptography
- Solutions for Satellite Communications, Municipal Data Analytics & IoT

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Summary

Practical HW & SW Implementations of lattice-based schemes delivered:

Signatures: BLISS, Ring-TESLA, Dilithium, Falcon

Encryption/KEM: Standard LWE, RLWE Encryption, Frodo, New Hope, Kyber

Advanced Primitives: Lattice-based AKE, Lattice-based IBE

Designed novel methodologies for SW And HW countermeasures for LBC implementations

- masked RLWE ARM implementation (resource-constrained SW)
- Constant-time LBC primitives (*high-performance SW*)
- masked RLWE FPGA implementation (*high-performance HW*)
- Constant-time samplers and fault attack countermeasures (high-performance & resource constrained HW)

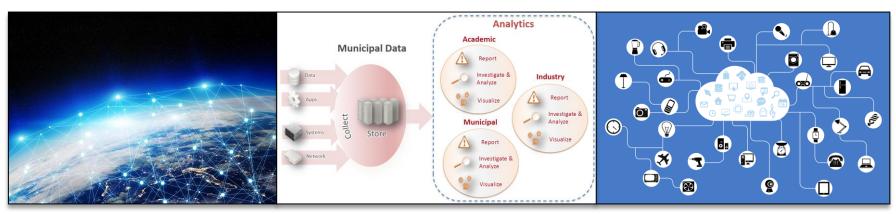
A KMIP client supporting LBC keys was **developed & integrated within Dell EMC's Key Trust Platform (KTP)**





SAFEcrypto outputs demonstrate that *Lattice-based cryptography can meet the requirements of real world scenarios*.

Smart Tag Systems



Satellite Communications

Municipal Data Analytics



Quantum/Post-Quantum Projects







Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council



- Investigation of efficient PQC KEM & digital signature HW designs
- Exploration of hybrid PQC/QKD designs
- Security assessment of devices, systems, and hybrid systems



PQC Implementation Considerations





PQC Implementation considerations



- Algorithmic security
- Physical security
 - Side-channels & timing analysis
- Performance optimisations (area, time)
- Tailored platform optimisations
- Hybrid QKD+PQC

FPGA Acceleration for PQC



• PQC algorithms typically have **larger parameter sizes** (Public key, private key, cipher text, signature sizes etc.) in comparison.

	Candidate	Claimed Security	Public key	Private key	Signature
Lattice based Round 4 Digital Signature (sizes in bytes)		Level 2	1 312	2 528	2 4 2 0
	Dilithium	Level 3	1 952	4 000	3 293
		Level 5	2 592	4 864	4 595
	FALCON-512	Level 1	897	7 553	666
	Falcon-1024	Level 5	1 793	13 953	1 280



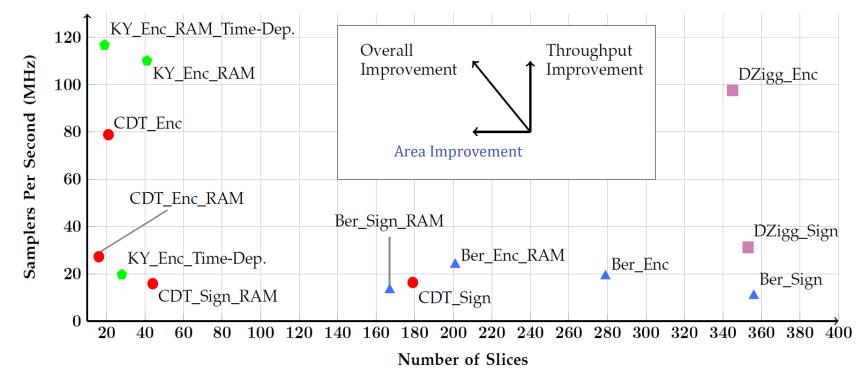
- In reconfigurable logic this incurs
 - Larger communication bandwidth
 - Larger internal storage

Error Sampling Evaluation in Hardware



Error Sampling is a key component in LBC - major bottleneck in practice

- Comprehensive evaluation of Discrete Gaussian Samplers offers recommendations on most appropriate sampler to use for encryption, authentication, high-speed applications etc..
- Proposed independent-time hardware designs of a range of samplers offering security against side-channel timing attacks



Efficient Soft-Core Multiplier for PQC Digital Signatures accepted to ISCAS'24



- 5x5 finite field Multiplier for PQC digital signatures such as QR-UOV, MAYO, MQOM
- Significant area reductions (30% reduced compared to Vivado mult, ~50% reduced to state-of-the-art when integrated into matrix-vector architecture

	Size	LUT	CPD ns	Power <i>mW</i>	ADP	PDP	APDP
PM	5 × 5	16	2.59	0.61	41.44	1.58	25.28
PFFM	5×5	27	2.28	1.31	61.56	2.98	80.46
Vivado [23]	5×5	23	2.32	0.72	53.36	1.67	38.42
M1 [15]	4×4	12	2.15	0.50	25.8	1.09	13.08
	5×5	21		-	-	-	-
	6×6	24	3.09	0.86	74.16	2.67	64.08
M2* [18]	4×4	24	3.84	0.52	92.16	2.00	48
	6×6	49	5.10	1.34	249.9	6.87	336.6
M3 [21]	4×4	12	2.02	0.56	24.72	1.13	13.56
	5×5	23	-	-	-		
	6×6	26	2.93	0.93	76.18	2.72	70.84
M4 [22]	5×5	13	-	-	-	-	-

 TABLE I

 Results implemented on FPGA (Xilinx Virtex-7)

LUT-1 LUT-: PP1-3 PP1-2 PP1-1 PP1-0 PP0-6 PP0-5 PP0-4 PP0-3 PP0-1 PP0-PP1-6 PP1-5 PP1-4 PP0-2 1 b4 a4 PP1-60 1 b4 a3 PP1-50 1 b4 a2 PP1-4 1b4 a1 PP1-3 1 b4 0 a0 PP1-2 100 PP1-1PP1-0 05 05 06 05 06 05 06 x2

Error-Resistant NTT architectures for CRYSTALS-Kyber VLSI-SoC '23



TP

Mbps

206.82

247.26

209.75

TP/A

TP/kL

26.17

31.69

22.79

%+A

16.4

 TABLE I

 Results implemented on FPGA (Virtex-7)

Freq.

MHz

60.32

72.11

61.17

Time

ns

16.57

13.86

16.34

Basic Architecture

Hamming codes

#LUT

7.9k

7.8k

9.2k

A-O

R-O

A-O

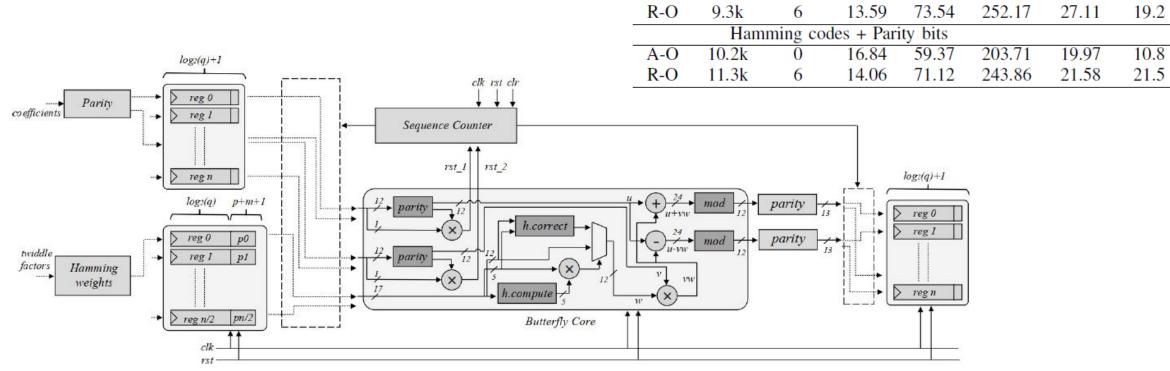
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- Error detection and mitigation for NTT in Kyber on FPGA, via hamming codes and parity bits to detect and correct SEUs.
- Area overhead of approx. 29%



Hybrid PQC-QKD (MUCKLE++)

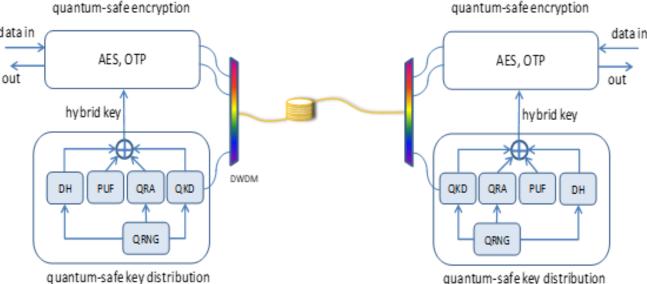
accepted to Journal of Advanced Quantum Technologies

 As part of the Toshiba-led ISCF project AQuaSec, we investigated the integration of classical and post-quantum cryptography on a Toshiba platform

 Hybrid design combining QRA and QKD

•PUF integration enabling **Pre-Shared Key** •Hardware-software integration for acceleration

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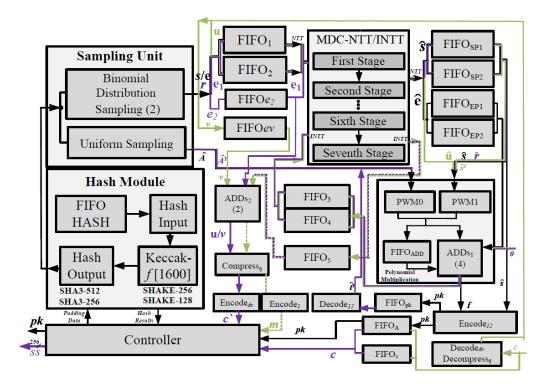






High-Performance Kyber Accelerator

IEEE Transactions on Computers, Vol. 72 (12), Dec 2023



Implemented on FPGA Artix-7 XC7A200

- Security Level 1:
- Total time (KeyGen+Enc+Dec) = 22.6µs
- Security Level 3:
- Total <u>time</u> (KeyGen+Enc+Dec) = 34.1µs
- Security Level 5:
- Total time (KeyGen+Enc+Dec) = 49µs

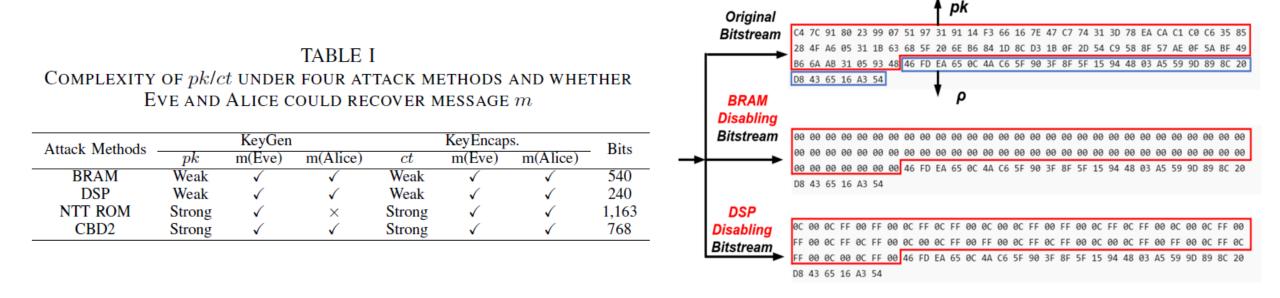
25-51% speed-up over state-of-the-art 50-75% reduction in DSPs at comparable security levels

- Exploits architectural parallelisation via optimal inter-module and intra-module pipelining
- Utilises a fully pipelined Radix 2 Multipath Delay Commutator (MDC)-NTT Core and the hardware for NTT and INTT is shared.

Bistream Fault Injection Attack on Kyber

accepted DATE 2024

- First malicious bitstream modification attack on Kyber FPGA design on Artix-7
- Consider 4 attacks: (1) disabling BRAM; (2) disabling DSPs; (3) zeroing NTT ROM; and (4) tampering with sampler results
- It is possible to reduce complexity of polynomial mult operations or enable direct secret key or message recovery

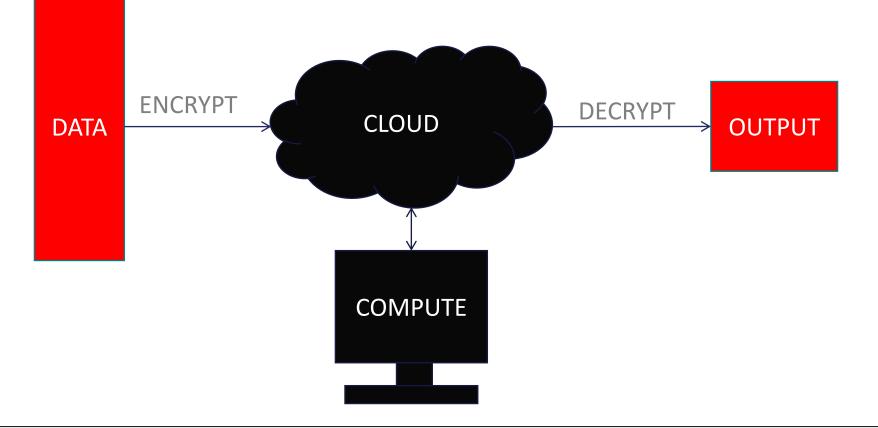


Homomorphic Encryption





Cloud computing with FHE



Fully Homomorphic Encryption enables computation on encrypted data without the use of a decryption key



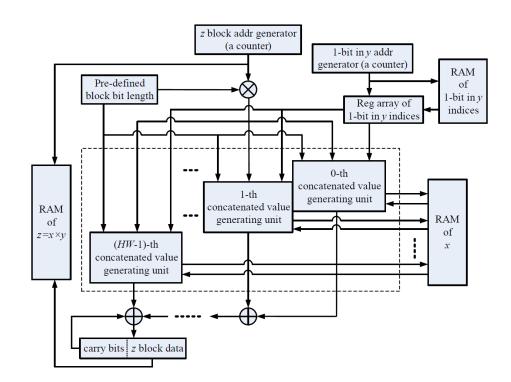
High-speed FHE over the integers

$$C = m + 2r + 2\sum_{i=1}^{\theta} b_i x_i \mod x_0$$

Bit-length of **Bit-length of** Parameter sizes θ b_i x_i or x_0 Toy 936 150,000 158 Small 1476 830,000 572 Medium 2016 4,200,000 2110 19,350,000 7659 2556 Large

 b_i can be taken to be a Low Hamming Weight (LHW) integer with max HW of 15

Proposed LHW Multiplier Architecture



Coron et al., Public Key Compression and Modulus Switching for FHE over the Integers, EUROCRYPT 2012

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Average timings of various implementations of integer based FHE encryption

Design	Тоу	Small	Medium	Large
LHW design	0.0006s	0.011s	0.198s	3.317s
Low-latency design	0.00336s	0.05566s	0.9990s	16.595s
Prior FFT design (WAHC14)	0.000739s	0.0132s	0.4772s	7.994s
Comba design – high speed (SiPS14)	0.006s	0.114s	2.018s	32.744s
Benchmark software design	0.05s	1.0s	21s	7min 15s

Achieves 1-bit encryption in 3.3 secs - **x131 speed-up** for large parameter size *Still not practical*!

Challenges for FHE

- Theoretical optimisations
- Parameter selection
- Implementation bottlenecks:
 - Multiplication
 - Modular reduction
- Memory challenges
- Security challenges

CHALLENGE: What is the most suitable application for homomorphic encryption?





Homomorphic Encryption Standardization

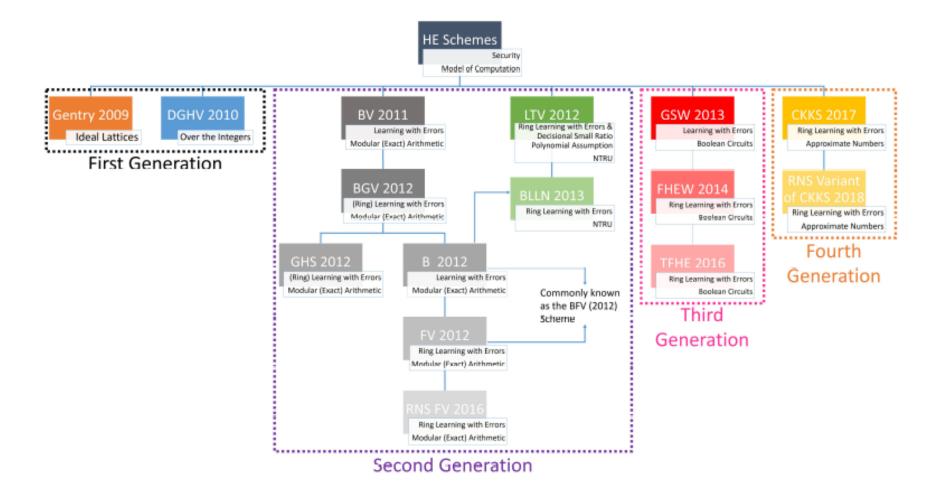
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Standard

We are developing a community standard for homomorphic encryption based on three white papers created by the standards' meetings' participants. The three white papers addressed Security, API, and Applications of homomorphic encryption. After a public comment period, including review by leading members of the community, the security white paper was publicly endorsed by many leading security experts at the <u>second standardization workshop</u>, resulting in the first version of the Homomorphic Encryption Standard. Today, this document provides scheme descriptions, a detailed explanation of their security properties, and tables for secure parameters. Future versions of the standard may describe a standard API and a programming model for homomorphic encryption.

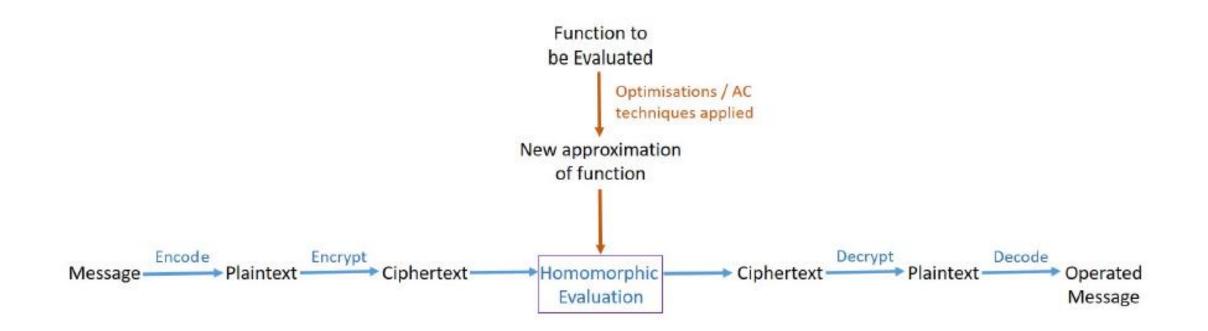


Homomorphic Encryption Developments





Where to accelerate/approximate HE?





Can we accelerate/approximate FHE further?

- CKKS Homomorphic Encryption using approximate arithmetic
 - Certain applications trade off accuracy with energy efficiency and performance
- Approximating approximate FHE: Investigating the use of approximate computing to further accelerate HE
 - Task skipping
 - Loop perforation
 - Depth reduction

Results show speed up of 12-45% over HE without approx. computing – with a cost of reduced accuracy*

*Accelerating Homomorphic Encryption using Approximate Computing Techniques, Shabnam Khanna, Ciara Rafferty, SECRYPT 2020



RESULTS

Homomorphic Evaluation of Function	Degree	$\log Q_l$	Total Time	Amortized Time	% speed-up	Average error from actual
Logistic Function						
Without Optimisation (1), inputs 0-1	9	280	0.274354 s	33 µs	N/A	$1.52 \text{ x } 10^{-7}$
Without Optimisation (1), inputs ≥ 1	9	280	0.275538 s	34 µs	N/A	3.55 x 10 ²⁹
Task Skipping Approach 1 (3)	7	240	0.144749 s	18 μs	45.5 %	2.08 x 10 ⁻⁶
Task Skipping Approach 2 (5)	9	280	0.234501 s	29 µs	12.1 %	0.11979
Task Skipping Approach 3 (7)	9	280	0.235498 s	29 µs	12.1 %	3.55 x 10 ²⁹
Depth Reduction (11)	7	240	0.145621 s	18 µs	45.5 %	6.18 x 10 ⁻⁴
Task Skipping Approach 2 with Depth Reduction (14)	7	240	0.114206 s	14 μs	57.6 %	0.12041
Task Skipping Approach 3 with Depth Reduction (14)	7	240	0.114705 s	14 μs	57.6%	3.55 x 10 ²⁹
Exponential Function			•			
Without Optimisation (2), inputs 0-1	8	280	0.495471 s	60 µs	N/A	0.333321
Without Optimisation (2), inputs ≥ 1	9	280	0.495397 s	60 µs	N/A	5.59 x 10 ²⁵
Task Skipping Approach 1 (4)	7	240	0.316672 s	39 µs	35 %	0.08334
Task Skipping Approach 2 (6)	8	280	0.38291 s	47 μs	21.6 %	0.70835
Task Skipping Approach 3 (8)	8	280	0.384384 s	47 μs	21.6 %	5.59 x 10 ²⁵
Depth Reduction (10)	7	240	0.318610 s	39 µs	35 %	2.42 x 10 ⁻⁵
Task Skipping Approach 2 with Depth Reduction (13)	7	240	0.228299 s	28 µs	53.3 %	0.70833
Task Skipping Approach 3 with Depth Reduction (13)	7	240	0.227856 s	28 µs	53.3 %	5.59 x 10 ²⁵



Privacy-Preserving Data Analytics



Can we carry out analytics on data without leaking personally identifiable information?



Data Analytics and Homomorphic Encryption

Machine learning for Financial Services

- ML pipeline with HE*
- Logistic regression model
- Predictions performed on encrypted financial data
- Shows promise in terms of accuracy and performance



*Towards a Homomorphic Machine Learning Big Data Pipeline for the Financial Services Sector, O Masters, H Hunt, E Steffinlongo, J Crawford, F Bergamaschi, M Dela Rosa, C Quini, C Alves, F de Souza, D Goncalves Ferreira, IACR ePrint Archive 2019



CryptoNets (2016)¹

- Research by Microsoft and Princeton
- Adapted Neural Networks to encrypted data
- Use a large ML dataset (MNIST)
- CryptoNets achieves "99% accuracy and can make more than 51000 predictions per hour on a single PC"
- Need to use polynomial functions within HE-enabled NNs
- Approximate non-polynomial functions (i.e. ReLU, sigmoid function)

^{1 &}lt;u>https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/research/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/CryptonetsTechReport.pdf</u>

Approximate Homomorphic Pre-processing for CNNs

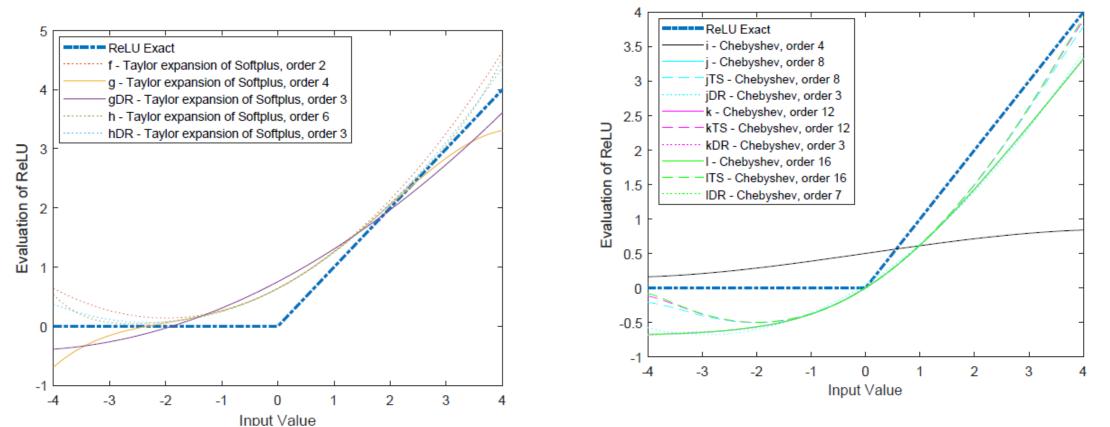


Fig. 5.2 The various Taylor expansions of Softplus, along with the exact ReLU function and the depth reduced approximations.

*Approximate Homomorphic Pre-processing for CNNs, Shabnam Khanna, Ciara Rafferty, SECRYPT 2023

Fig. 5.3 The Chebyshev polynomial approximations, along with the exact ReLU function and the task-skipped and depth reduced approximations

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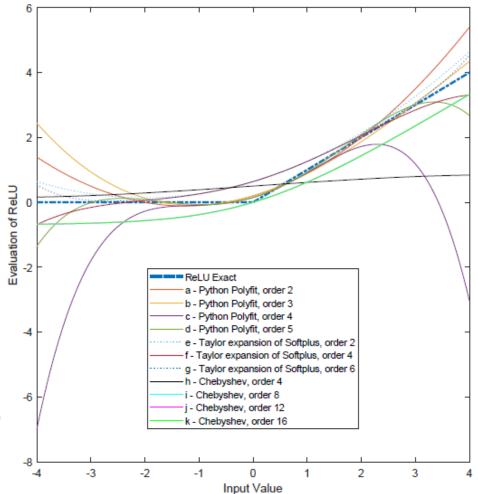
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	ReLU Exact	Chebyshev 16 No Change [-255,255]	Chebyshev 16 Task Skipping [-255,255]	Chebyshev 16 Depth Reduction (x^3) [-4,4]	
Classification Accuracy (HE Plaintext)	99.14%	99.06%	99.18%	99.34%	
Validation Accuracy	98.57%	97.37%	97.18%	98.55%	2
Validation Loss	4.51%	9.00%	9.03%	54.7%	
Run-time (µs)(Train)	170.3	400.2	201.8	198.0	İ
Run-time (s) (Test, HE backend, Plaintext)	0.3333	0.8155	0.3713	0.3749	İ
% Speed-up (Train)	N/A	N/A	50%	51%	İ
% Speed-up (Test, HE backend, Plaintext)	N/A	N/A	54%	54%	Ι

Table 5.3 Table showing classification accuracy and run-time of the various ReLU approximations (average over 20 runs), based on the Chebyshev order 16 approximation, applied to the CryptoNets CNN implemented in nGraph-HE.

*Approximate Homomorphic Pre-processing for CNNs, Shabnam Khanna, Ciara Rafferty, SECRYPT 2023

Fig. 5.4 All eleven original polynomial approximations of the ReLU function

PAKE (Password Authenticated Key Exchange) Authentication Protocols



Precomputation safety

After server compromise, if attacker can retrieve client's password from the saved information in a dictionary size computation, it is not precomputation safe.

All symmetric PAKEs are trivally vulnerable to precomputation attack.

Target is to design asymmetric PAKE (aPAKE) which is precomputation safe, free from PKI and implementable.

Research Summary

Major standards bodies including **IEEE**, **ISO/IEC** and the **IETF** have worked towards standardizing PAKE schemes, with mixed results.

IETF selected OPAQUE (Eurocrypt 2019) as world's first precomputation safe aPAKE, however it pointed out **several important questions against OPAQUE** which remained unaddressed and which stops OPAQUE from being used commercially.

Main problem of OPAQUE - dependency on an abstract primitive - H2C

- 1. Though OPAQUE is theoretically precomputation safe, however it critically relies on hash-to-curve (H2C). As of June 2021 (more than one year after the selection process was finished), the H2C ID remains a draft (draft-irtf-cfrg-hash-to-curve) and is **not implementable**.
- 2. H2C offers, with non-negligible probability, points in **Iess Secure** smaller subgroup instead of prime order group which is needed for security of OPAQUE.

What we propose

We design world's first asymmetric PAKE which is

- 1. Precomputation safe,
- 2. Free from H2C,
- 3. Public key infrastructure (PKI) free,
- 4. Easy to implement with existing libraries (GMP, GNU etc)
- 5. Based on state-of-the-art CDH assumption.

Market

- All email services (Google, Yahoo!, AOL, etc.)
- Online shopping portals (Amazon, Ebay, etc.)
- Social Media Applications (Facebook, Twitter, Linkedin etc.)
- Cloud services (Dropbox, AWS, Google, Microsoft, etc.)
- All Other Client-Server Applications

What we look for



PartnershipSpinoutPatentingCommercialize

