

Cryptanalysis of NTRU with two Public Keys

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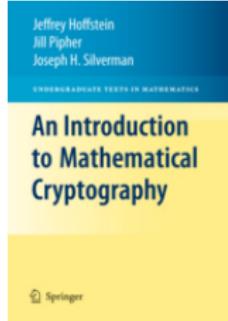
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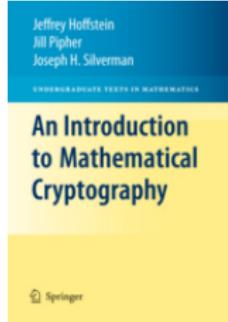
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Past

- **NTRUEncrypt**: public key cryptography. Invented in 1996 by Joseph H. Silverman, Jeffrey Hoffstein, Jill Pipher (+ Daniel Lieman).
- **NSS**: digital signature scheme. Invented in 2000 by the same team.
- **NSS** has been broken several times.
- **NTRUSign**: digital signature scheme. Invented in 2000 by Joseph H. Silverman, Jeffrey Hoffstein, Jill Pipher.

Past, Present and Future of NTRU

Present

- Approved for standardization by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (**IEEE**) in 2009.
- Adopted as **X9** Standard for Data Protection in 2011.
- Acquired by **Security Innovation** in 2009.

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Future

- Based on the shortest vector problem in a lattice which is NP-hard.
- Alternative to RSA and ECC.
- A promising candidate for being quantum computer resistant.

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Sum

$$f + g = (f_0 + g_0, f_1 + g_1, \dots, f_{N-1} + g_{N-1}).$$

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$$f * g = h = (h_0, h_1, \dots, h_{N-1}) \text{ with}$$

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	1	X	\dots	X^k	\dots	X^{N-1}
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$+$	$f_2 g_{N-2}$	$f_2 g_{N-1}$	\dots	$f_2 g_{k-2}$	\dots	$f_2 g_{N-3}$
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\dots	\dots	\vdots	\vdots
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NTRU Parameters

- N = a prime number (e.g. $N = 167, 251, 347, 503$).
- q = a large modulus (e.g. $q = 128, 256$).
- p = a small modulus (e.g. $p = 3$).

Key Generation:

- Randomly choose two **private** polynomials f and g .
- Compute the inverse of f modulo q : $f * f_q = 1 \pmod{q}$.
- Compute the inverse of f modulo p : $f * f_p = 1 \pmod{p}$.
- Compute the public key $h = f_q * g \pmod{q}$.

Encryption:

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Lattice

Definition

- ① $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$, n linearly independant vectors.
- ② $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$.
- ③ The lattice spanned by \mathcal{B} is

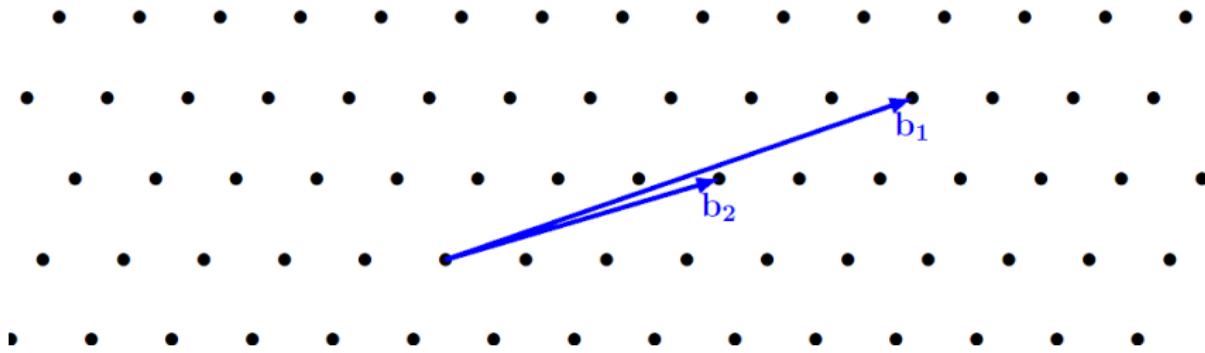
$$\mathcal{L} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i b_i, \quad \lambda_i \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}.$$

Invariants

- ① $\dim(\mathcal{L}) = n$.
- ② $\det(\mathcal{L}) = \text{volume } \{\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i b_i, \quad 0 \leq \alpha_i < 1\} = \sqrt{\det(BB^t)}$.

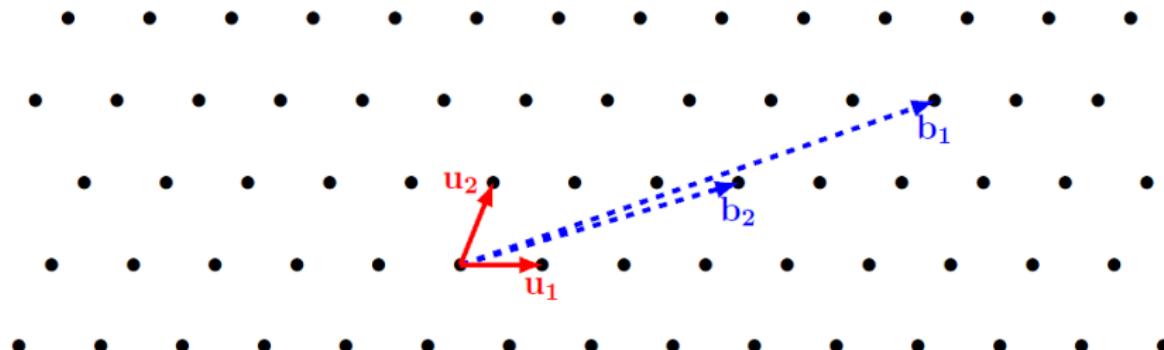
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The LLL algorithm

- ① **LLL**=Lenstra-Lenstra- Lovász, 1982.
- ② Polynomial time algorithm.

Theorem

- Let \mathcal{L} be a lattice. The LLL algorithm finds a basis $(\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)$ with

- ① a short vector:

$$\|\mathbf{b}_1\| \leq 2^{\frac{n-1}{4}} \det(\mathcal{L})^{1/n}.$$

- ② shortness:

$$\det(\mathcal{L}) \leq \prod_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{b}_i\| \leq \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{\frac{n(n-1)}{4}} \det(\mathcal{L}).$$

The Gaussian Heuristic

Gauß, 1777-1855

- If $\mathcal{L} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a lattice, how long would we expect its shortest vector to be?
- The Gaussian Heuristic: The shortest nonzero vector in a lattice $\mathcal{L} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ has length approximately

$$\sigma(\mathcal{L}) = \sqrt{\frac{\dim(\mathcal{L})}{2\pi e}} (\det \mathcal{L})^{1/\dim(\mathcal{L})}.$$

Proof

- Minkowski's Theorem: Let \mathcal{L} be a lattice of dimension n . If $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a symmetric convex set whose volume satisfies $\text{Vol}(S) > 2^n \det(\mathcal{L})$, then S contains a nonzero lattice vector.
- $S = B(r)$ is a n -dimensional sphere of radius r .
- The volume of $B(r)$ is $\text{Vol}(B(r)) = \frac{\pi^{n/2} r^n}{\Gamma(1 + n/2)} \approx \left(\frac{2\pi e}{n}\right)^{n/2} r^n$.
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- Lattice: $\mathcal{L}_{CS} = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^{2N}, \quad h * a = b \pmod{q}\}.$
- Then $h * f = g \pmod{q}$ transforms to $h * f + qu = g$:

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- The polynomial equation $\mathbf{f} * (h - h') + q\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{g}'$ can be represented as

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$$c_1 = \frac{\sqrt{\|f\|^2 + \|g\|^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{qN}{\pi e}}}.$$

$$c'_1 = \frac{\sqrt{\|f\|^2 + \|g'\|^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{qN}{\pi e}}}.$$

- **The new attack:** The ratio of the vector $(f, g) \in \mathcal{L}(h, h')$ to the expected shortest nonzero vector in the lattice $\mathcal{L}(h, h')$ is

$$c_2 = \frac{\sqrt{\|f\|^2 + \|g - g'\|^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{qN}{\pi e}}}.$$

- Then $c_2 < c_1$ if $\|g - g'\| < \min(\|g\|, \|g'\|)$.

Conclusion

- The new attack works for NTRU with two public keys $h = f_q * g \pmod{q}$ and $h' = f_q * g' \pmod{q}$.
- The new attack is more effective than Coppermith and Shamir's attack if $\|g - g'\| < \min(\|g\|, \|g'\|)$.

Merci