

Fully Homomorphic Encryption &Post quantum Cryptography

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Post Quantum Cryptography

- All the assumptions that we have seen so far can be broken with a quantum computer  
 Including: RSA, Discrete Log in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  & in elliptic curves.

Will modern cryptography die with the birth of quantum computers?

Hopefully not..

There are assumptions that are believed to resist quantum attacks, and we know how to build crypto from such assumptions.

## Learning with Error (LWE) Assumption

There is a family of "lattice-based" assumptions that are not known to be broken using a quantum computer, and are useful in cryptography.

The most commonly used is the LWE assumption, introduced by Oded Regev in 2004.

LWE Assumption: It is hard to solve noisy linear equations (recall that it is easy to solve linear equations without noise by Gaussian Elimination)

Formally: LWE is associated with parameters:

Field size  $\downarrow$   $q$ , # of var's  $\downarrow$   $n$ , # of eqns  $\downarrow$   $m$ , error dist.  $\chi_q$

( $q$  prime  $m \gg n$ )

For random  $A \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times m}$   
 random  $a_1, \dots, a_m \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^n$   
 $e_1, \dots, e_m \leftarrow \chi_q$

Given  $\begin{matrix} a_1, & a_1 \theta + e_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_m, & a_m \theta + e_m \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\text{HARD}} \theta$

Decisional LWE (DLWE)

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1, \beta a_1 + e_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m, \beta a_m + e_m \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{\approx}{=} \begin{pmatrix} a_1, u_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m, u_m \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $u_1, \dots, u_m \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$

Matrix notation:  $(A, \beta A + E) \approx (A, U)$

where  $A \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times m}$   $\beta \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^n$   $E \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times m}$   $U \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^m$

- We do not know how to break this assumption with quantum computers (as opposed to Factoring & DL).
- No known sub-exp. algorithms.
- Reduces to worst case lattice assumptions.
- Resilient to leakage.
- We can construct public key encryption, digital signatures, collision resistant hash functions, identity based encryption, fully homomorphic encryption ... from Decisional LWE.

Not yet used in practice because less efficient (keys are huge) & because we do not have quantum computers.

- A few years ago NIST solicited for quantum resilient public-key cryptographic primitives.

2018: First post-quantum Cryptography Standardization Conference.

### Fully Homomorphic Encryption (FHE) from DLWE.

A notion suggested by Rivest-Adleman-Dertouzos 78.

$$\text{Enc}(\text{PK}, b_1), \text{Enc}(\text{PK}, b_2)$$



$$\text{Enc}(\text{PK}, b_1 + b_2), \text{Enc}(\text{PK}, b_1 \cdot b_2)$$

- Did not provide a construction.
- First construction: Gentry 2009 (lattice-based)
- 2011: Brakerski & Vaikuntanathan constructed FHE from DLWE.

Note: El-Gamal & (Vanilla) RSA are homomorphic w.r.t. mult. but not addition.

$$\text{RSA: } m_1^e \bmod n, m_2^e \bmod n \rightarrow (m_1 \cdot m_2)^e \bmod n$$

$$\text{El-Gamal: } g^{r_1}, g^{x \cdot r_1} \cdot m_1, g^{r_2}, g^{x \cdot r_2} \cdot m_2 \rightarrow g^{r_1+r_2}, g^{x(r_1+r_2)} \cdot m_1 \cdot m_2$$

### Applications:

- Private delegation: A user can delegate all her private data to the cloud using FHE.

The cloud can perform computations on the encrypted data blindly, without learning any information.

- Secure computation with minimal communication.

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Semantic Security: Follows from DLWE assumption:

If  $B$  was uniform  $B \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_g^{n \times m}$  then  $B \cdot R$  for  $R \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^{m \times N}$  would have been truly random

[ Follows from the Leftover-Hash-Lemma & from the fact that  $m > n \cdot \log g$ . ]

Thus,  $\underset{\text{Enc}(PK, b)}{\|} BR + bG$  would hide  $b$  information theoretically.

Since by DLWE  $B \cong U$  it follows that  $\text{Enc}(B, b)$  must also hide  $b$  for  $B$  generated by KeyGen.

Homomorphic Operations:

Addition:  $C_1 = BR_1 + b_1G$

$$C_2 = BR_2 + b_2G$$

$$C^+ = C_1 + C_2 = B \underbrace{(R_1 + R_2)}_{\text{small (but slowly grows...)}} + \underbrace{(b_1 + b_2)}_{\text{addition in } \mathbb{Z}_g} G$$

- To get addition mod 2:

We will soon see how to compute  $C^x$  which is an encryption of  $b_1 \cdot b_2 \pmod{2}$ .

Can use this to get addition mod 2 by homomorphical computing  $(b_1 + b_2) - 2b_1 b_2 \pmod{2}$

- The growth of R:

This is indeed a problem

(especially for  $C^x$  where R grows even more)

indeed this scheme provides only  leveled

homomorphism (which means that we can only

homomorphically do bounded depth computations).

There is a beautiful technique called

bootstrapping to get around this issue.





$$\begin{aligned}
C^x &= \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}_g^{n \times n}}_{\psi} \cdot \underbrace{G^{-1}(C_2)}_{\psi} \\
&= (BR_1 + b_1 G) \cdot G^{-1}(C_2) \\
&= BR_1 \cdot G^{-1}(C_2) + b_1 \cdot (G \circ G^{-1}(C_2)) \\
&= B \circ (R_1 \cdot G^{-1}(C_2)) + b_1 C_2 \\
&= B \cdot (R_1 \cdot G^{-1}(C_2)) + b_1 (BR_2 + b_2 G) \\
&= B \underbrace{(R_1 \cdot G^{-1}(C_2) + b_1 R_2)}_{\text{small}} + b_1 b_2 G
\end{aligned}$$