

“Lattice PQC Candidates: A Side-Channel and Fault Analysis on Dilithium”

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A few details about the current situation

- **Current cryptography:**

 - Integer factorization ex: **RSA**

 - Discrete Logarithm problem on finite fields ex: **DSA, DH**

 - Discrete Logarithm problem on elliptic curves ex: **ECDSA**

- **Rise of Quantum computing:**

 - Shor's Algorithm breaks current systems in polynomial time

 - First quantum computer 10 to 15 years

- **NIST international PQC competition:**

 - Currently in the last round with Codes, Multivariate and Lattices

 - 3 out of 4 PKE/ KEM schemes and 2 out of 3 Signature schemes are lattice based

- **Embedded Constraints:**

 - Reduced Memory size (RAM and flash) and Limited processor clock frequency

 - Slow Communication rates: < 100 kB/s (for contactless, time: < 300 ms)

PQC Requirements

NIST Security Level	Equivalent type of security
I	Key search on a block cipher with 128-bit key (AES-128)
II	Collision search on a 256-bit hash function (SHA256/ SHA3-256)
III	Key search on a block cipher with 192-bit key (AES-192)
IV	Collision search on a 384-bit hash function SHA384/ SHA3-384)
V	Key search on a block cipher with 256-bit key (AES-256)

Table: NIST Levels of security

- **Side Channel Attacks:** Instead of directly attacking a cryptosystem one can use different techniques to infer data of an implementation of such an algorithm
- On embedded devices the user can be the attacker !
- **From the original NIST PQC call for proposals in 2016:**
"Schemes that can be made resistant to side-channel attacks at minimal cost are more desirable than those whose performance is severely hampered by any attempt to resist side-channel attacks."

Internship goal

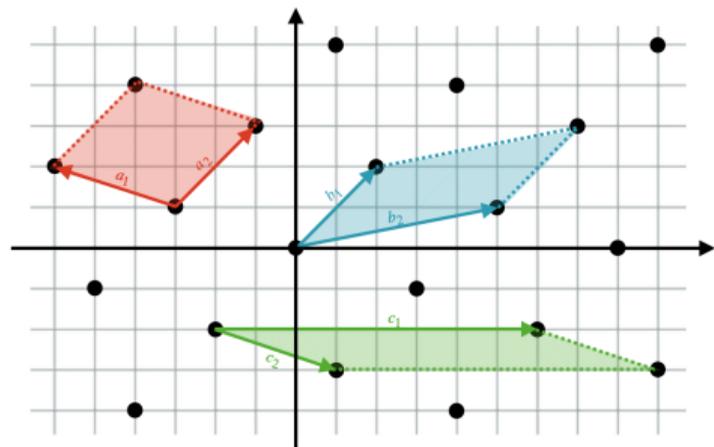
- State of the Art selection of relevant Attacks/ Countermeasures papers
- Side Channel/ Fault Attack Analysis of CRYSTALS package
- Selecting countermeasures with as little overhead as possible
- Develop High level and Embedded implementation of these countermeasures
- Perform Tests on a protected code

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$$\mathcal{L}(b_1, \dots, b_d) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^d \mu_i b_i : (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_d) \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$



Degree 2 lattice generated by:

$$b_1 = (2, 2) \text{ and } b_2 = (5, 1)$$

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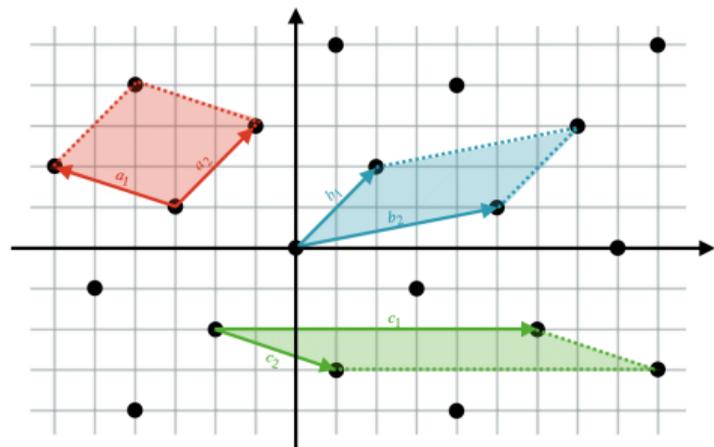
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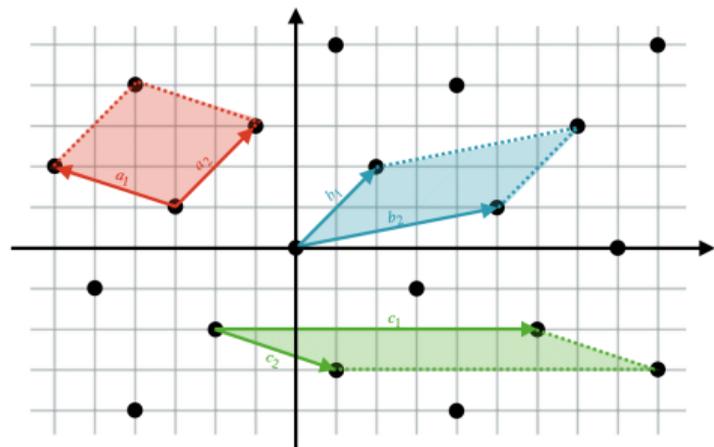
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Lattice Based Cryptography

Learning With Error (LWE):

Let $m, n, q > 0$, $\chi \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}$ and $A \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n}$.

Let $s_1 \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_q^n$, $s_2 \xleftarrow{\$} \chi^m$ such that:

$t := As_1 + s_2 \pmod q$

Decision: Distinguish (A, t) from (A, u)

Search: Recover s_1 with small s_2

Short Integer Solution (SIS):

Let m, n and q be positive integers, $\gamma > 0$ be an integer and $A \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n}$.

Search: Find $s | As = 0 \pmod q$ and $\|s\| \leq \gamma$

Can be instantiate on different mathematical objects, Rings, Modules ...

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CRYSTALS Package

- 2 schemes on the final Round
- Based on Module Lattices
- Quotient Ring $\mathcal{R}_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[X]/(X^n + 1)$ with $n = 2^8 = 256$
 - $X^{256} + 1$ cyclotomic polynomial
 - Efficient multiplication using NTT: $\mathcal{O}(n)$ (point-wise)

NTT in practice: Butterfly operation

- Atomic operation in the loop is called **Butterfly operation**

```
1  for(len = 128; len > 0; len >>1) {  
2      for(start = 0; start < N; start = j + len){  
3          w = zetas[k++];  
4          for(j = start; j < start + len; ++j){  
5              t = Montgomeryreduce(w * p[j + len]);  
6              p[j + len] = p[j] + 2*Q - t;  
7              p[j] = p[j] + t;  
8          }  
9      }  
10 }
```

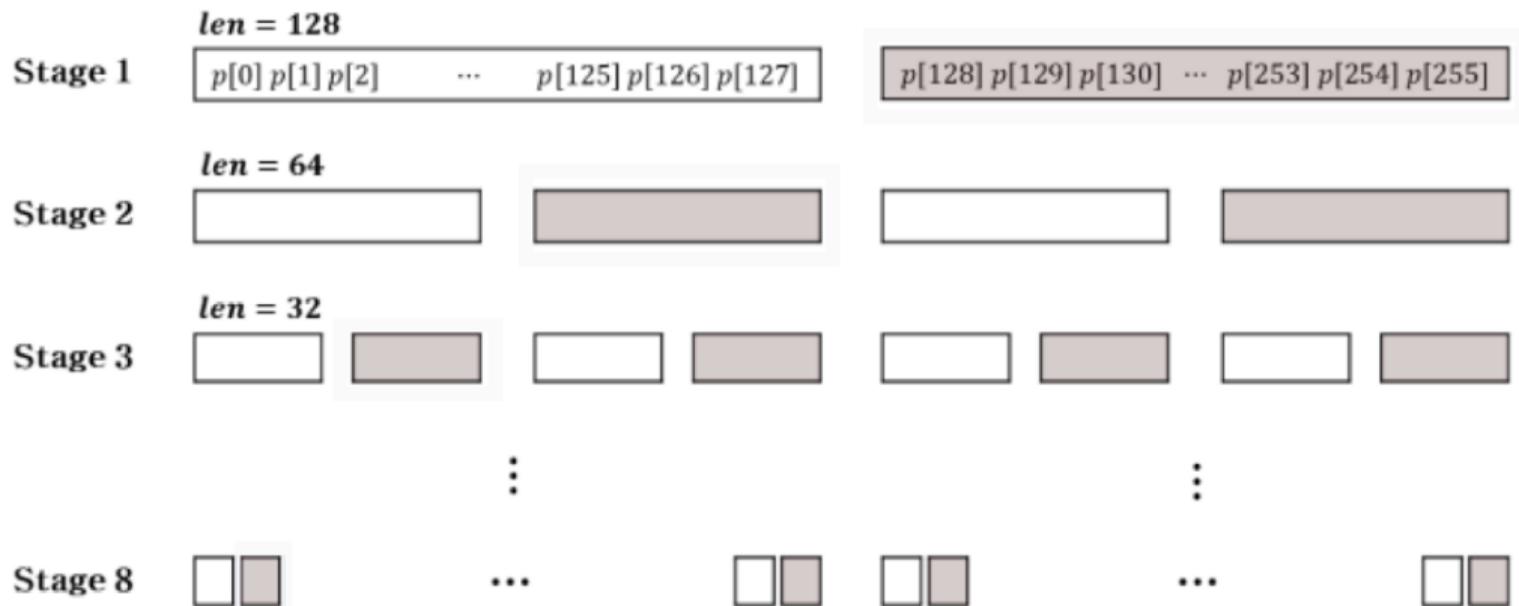
$$c = a + bw \quad c = a + b$$

$$d = a - bw \quad d = (a - b)w$$

- $n - 1$ degree polynomial
- $\log(n)$ stages
- $n/2$ butterflies
- $\mathcal{O}(n \log(n))$ complexity

- There are 2 types of Butterfly:
- Cooley-Tukey(CT) for the NTT and Gentleman-Sande (GS) for the INNT $\mathcal{O}(n \log(n))$ complexity

NTT in practice: Butterfly operation



- Signature scheme
- Simple to securely implement
- Minimal `pk` size + `sig` size
- Make adjusting security levels simple
- $q = 2^{23} - 2^{13} + 1 = 8380417$, a 24-bit prime number
 - $2n \mid (q - 1)$
 - w a primitive 256-th root of unity in \mathbb{Z}_q , i.e., $w^n \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$
 - $\phi = 1753$ a primitive 512-th root of unity in \mathbb{Z}_q such that $\phi^2 = w$
- Rejection Sampling to make the signature independant on `sk`

CRYSTALS - Dilithium

KeyGen:

- 1- $(s_1, s_2) \in S_\eta^l \times S_\eta^k$
- 2- $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{R}_q^{k \times l} := \text{ExpandA}(\rho)$
- 3- $t := \mathbf{A}s_1 + s_2$
- 4- $(t_1, t_0) := \text{Power2Round}_q(t, d)$
- 5- $tr \in \{0, 1\}^{384} := \text{CRH}(\rho \parallel t_1)$
- 6- return $\text{pk} = (\rho, t_1)$, $\text{sk} = (\rho, s_1, s_2, t_0, tr)$

Verify (pk, M, σ):

- 1- $\mu \in \{0, 1\}^{384} := \text{CRH}(\text{CRH}(\rho \parallel t_1) \parallel M)$
- 2- $w'_1 := \text{UseHint}_q(h, \mathbf{A}z - ct_1, 2\gamma_2)$
- 3- if $\|z\|_\infty < \gamma_1 - \beta$ and $c == \text{H}(\mu \parallel w'_1)$
and $|h|_{h_i=1} \leq \omega$:
- 4- return *True*
- 5- return *False*

Sign (M, sk) :

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- 4- $y \xleftarrow{\$} [-\gamma_1, \gamma_1]^l$
- 5- $w = \mathbf{A}y$
- 6- $w_1 := \text{HighBits}_q(w, 2\gamma_2)$
- 7- $c = \text{H}(\mu \parallel w_1)$
- 8- $z = y + cs_1$
- 9- $(r_1, r_0) = \text{Decompose}(w - cs_2)$
- 10- if $\|z\|_\infty \geq \gamma_1 - \beta$ or $\|r_0\|_\infty \geq \gamma_2 - \beta$:
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- 11- $h := \text{MakeHint}_q(w - cs_2 + ct_0, 2\gamma_2)$
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State of the art attacks on Dilithium

Type	Description	Nb of samples	Ref.
<i>Dilithium</i>			
FA	KeyGen, Force s_1, s_2 with, Nonce re-use & EM Key Recovery	$k + l$ fault complexity	[1]
DPA ¹	Sign, cs_1 both on textbook and Sparse multiplication	Vertical DPA Horizontale + Vertical	[2]
SPA ¹	Sign, 1 bit leakage in y plus analytical reconstruction	10000 traces 10000 traces	[3]
ML	Sign, Unmasked : NTT (s_1, s_2, t_0) Masked : Multiplication cs_1	Attack phase : 8000 traces Learning phase : 2000 traces Learning phase : 9000 traces	[4]
CPA	Sign, cs_1 or cs_2 on all type of multiplicaton	100 traces	[5]
DFA	Sign, modify c (μ, w)	2 executions	[6]
LFA	Sign, fault 1 coeff in addition of cs_1 and y	$2 \times N$	[7]
SASCA	Dec, NTT ⁻¹ on su	1 trace 196 intermediate values 100 million traces TM 20 iterations of BP	[8]
SASCA ¹	Enc, NTT on r	213 templates 2 304 intermediates	[9]

Table: Matrix of Attack Paths of Dilithium

Countermeasures

- Operations more suited for boolean masking: rejection sampling, random sampling
- Other parts for arithmetic masking: multiplications and additions modulo q
- Maybe conversion from both type of masks

Type	<i>Dilithium</i>		
	DPA	ML	CPA
Boolean Masking	✓✓	✗	✓
Shuffling	✗	✓	✓
Blinding	✓	✓	✓

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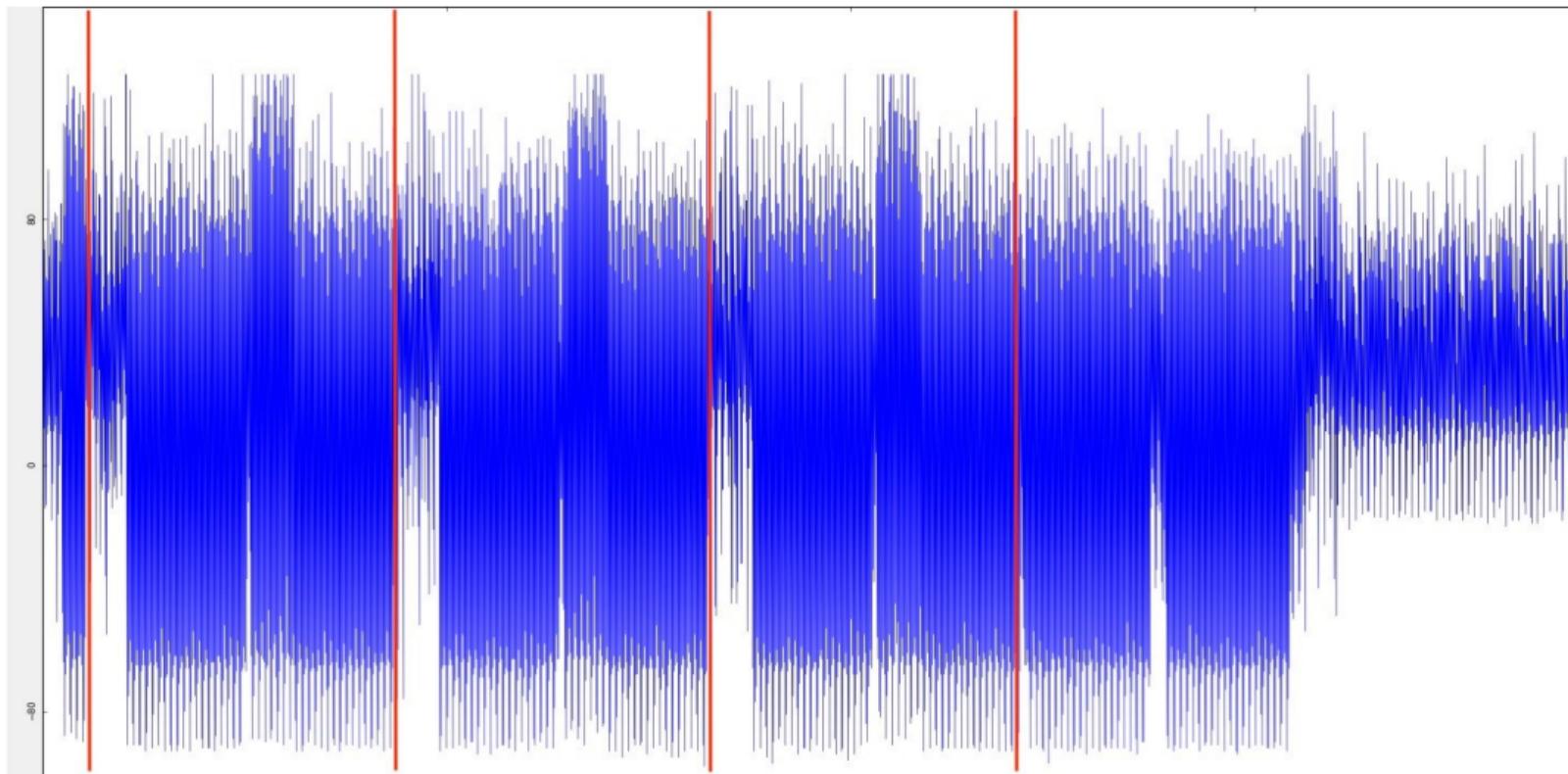
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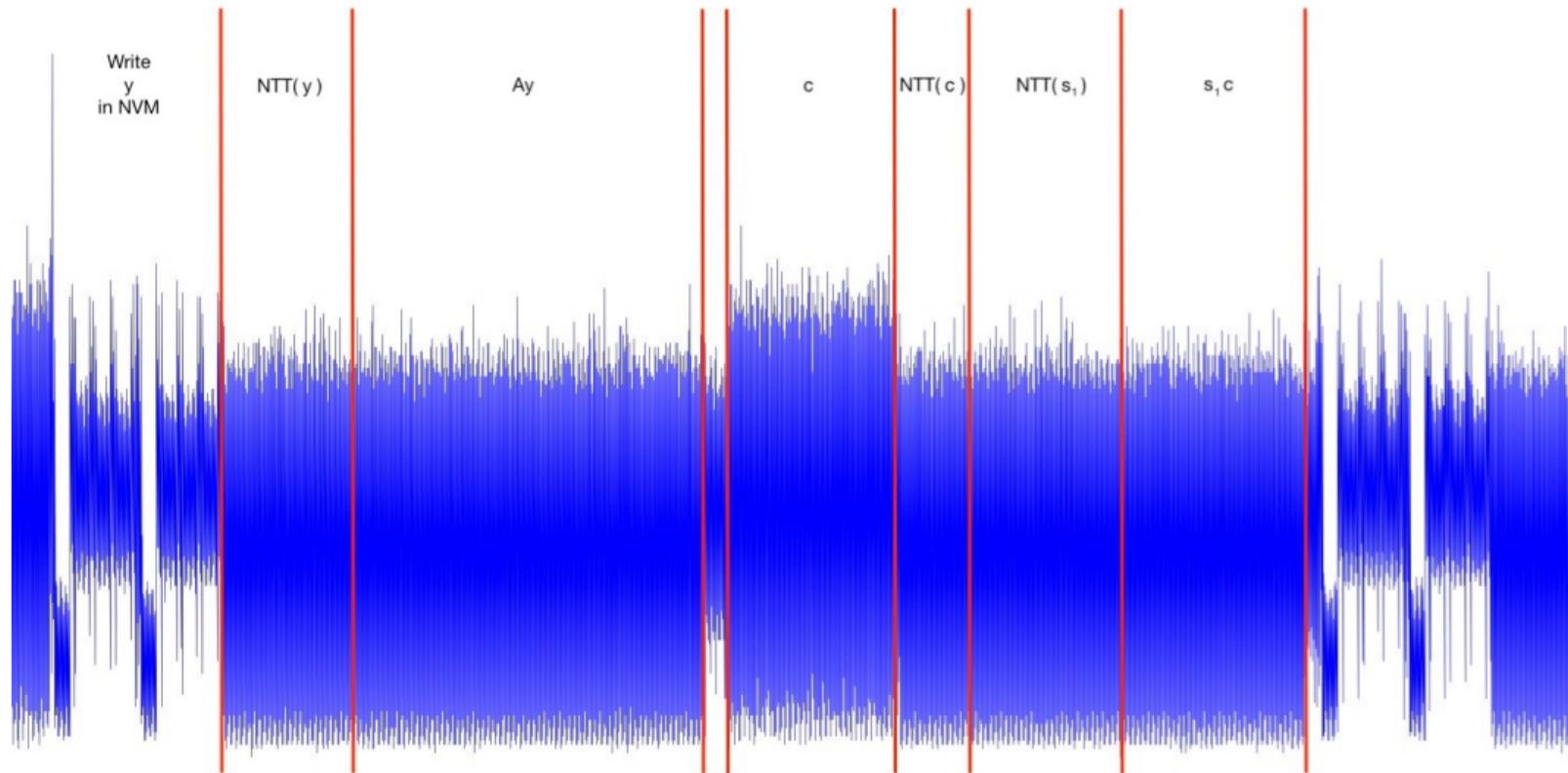
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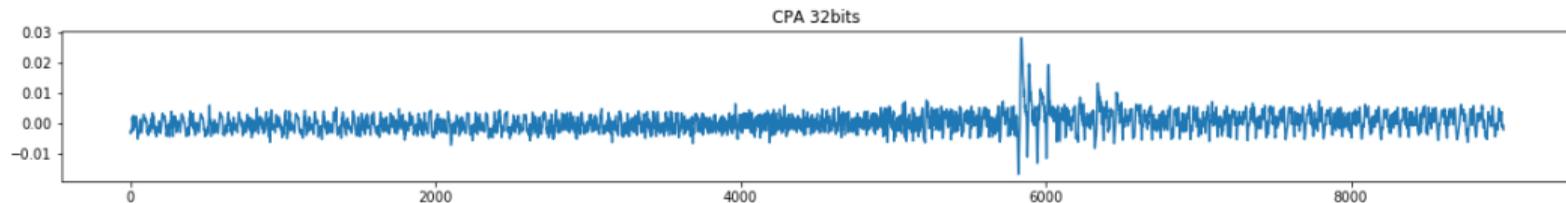
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What about the CPA ?

- Here let's focus on the first coefficient \hat{s}_1 with 270K traces
- Leakage even with considering a 32 bits values HW model



- Same thing with SNR, ANOVA, NICV
- Even leakage with Power Traces
- If implemented directly attack time: 16 years
- Simple parallel version using 32 CPUs in asynchronous mode: 10 months

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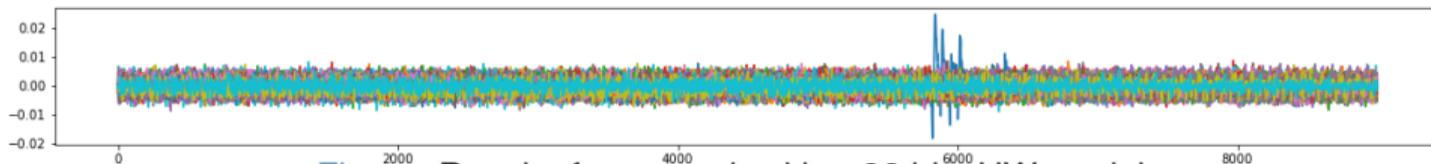


Figure: Result of our attack with a 32 bits HW model.

- “Attack” mounted on the first coefficient of \hat{s}_1 with 1000 random keys
- Repeat $l \times n$ this procedure to complete the attack

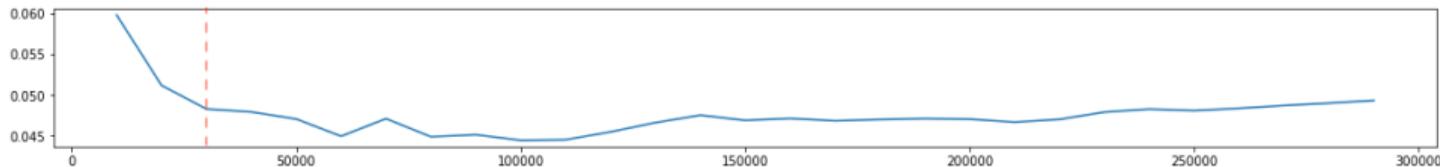
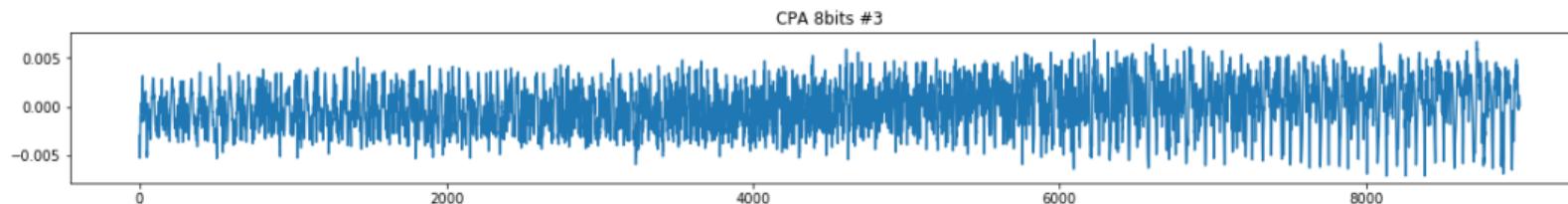
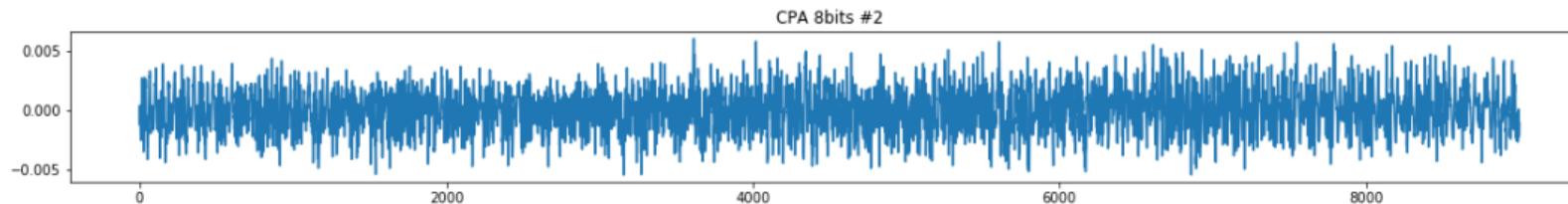
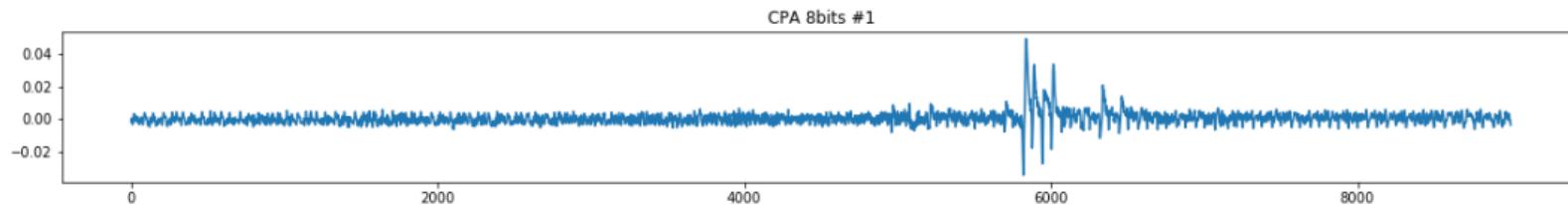
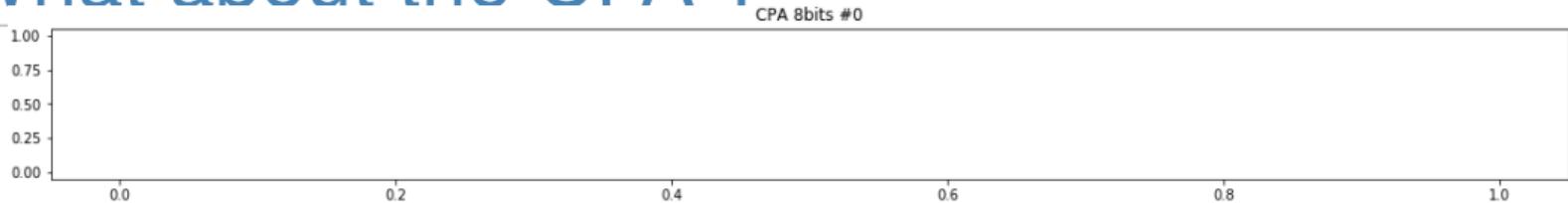


Figure: Correlation value as a function of number of traces.

- Less traces could still differentiate the correct key value

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Masking the NTT with a Twist

“On configurable SCA countermeasure against single trace attacks for the NTT’[10]:

The twiddle factors as a mask: because for $(a + bw_x)w_y = aw_y + bw_xw_y = aw_y + bw_{x+y}$

- N masks per stage: Mask space 2^{4196}
- One mask per stage: Mask space 2^{63} ← **Implemented version**
- Output unmasked:
 - The 8 masks need to sum up to a multiple of $2 \times n$
- Output masked:
 - We return the product of the 8 masks (another twiddle factor)
 - If we multiply two masked polynomials we add the masks (still fits on `uint_32`)
 - INTT masked with masks that unmask the result

NTT version	Number of cycles
Unmasked	676665
Masked	1229961

Fault Model

- Possible to inject a single random Fault
- Instruction skips
- Arithmetic faults
- Glitches in storage
- Many more
- Not only restricted to single operations
- Can be applied during a large section of code

DFA on Deterministic Lattice Signatures [6]

- Force a nonce reuse
- Target the computation of c
- Why: Differential Fault Attack
 - First sign without fault
(c, z, h) = **Sign** (M, \mathbf{sk})
 - Second time with fault
(c', z', h) = **Sign** (M, \mathbf{sk})
- $z' = y + c's_1$ and $z = y + cs_1$
- $z - z' = \cancel{y} + cs_1 - \cancel{y} - c's_1$
 $= (c - c')s_1$
- $s_1 = (c - c')^{-1}(z - z')$

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How to perform such a modification ?

- Change the value of c without changing other values and the number of rejections

Name	Description	Success Probability	Size of vulnerable code
fA_{ρ}	Corrupt ρ during import of sk	14.3	1.37
fA_E	Random fault in expansion A	54.4	20.1
fW	Random fault in multiplication w	25.4/ 90.3	3.35
fH	Random fault in call to H	91	1.07
fY	Random fault in sampling y	24.5	2

Table: Different ways of faulting the c polynomial.

- The scenario **fY** is discarded because uses partial nonce reuse
- Focus made on **fH** and **fW**

Scenario fH

- Inject a random fault into the computation of $c = H(\mu \parallel \text{HighBits}(w))$
 - Faulting μ inside the function H or Faulting $\text{HighBits}(w)$ inside the function H
 - Fault the function itself (change the value of a coefficient, fault in SHAKE)
- ▷ Faulting μ
- Three different hypothesis
 - Zero out a byte
 - Zero out a 4-bytes word
 - Zero out all the 48 bytes
 - On our 200K messages corpus zeroing all the 48 bytes result in 99% of success rate !
 - ... but can be hard to do
 - On average there is ≈ 11 of the 12 4-bytes words that can be zeroed out and achieve a correct signature under the same number of rejections
 - For a single byte ≈ 46 bytes can be targeted

How to check for correctness ?

- Check the computation time for the faulted variable
- Recover the theoretical value of s_1 and check if the values satisfy the distribution S_η^l
- Alternatively one can compute $\|z - z'\|$ and check if it is below a threshold
- What next? Modified Sign algorithm that produces valid signatures with only s_1

Countermeasures

- Double Computation
 - Doubles the runtime and adds storage space
 - Injecting the same fault twice can counter the countermeasure
- Verification after sign
 - Some faults result in incorrect signatures
 - Runtime cost of verifying a signature is \approx one third of the signing one
- Use randomness
 - Use random version of Dilithium
 - Need of a good enough source of entropy
 - Will depend on the standard version chosen by the NIST

Conclusions and Future Work

- How realistic were the state of the art attacks ?
 - Side Channel: Leakage exploitation doable ... but not as easy to mount a whole attack
 - Fault Attacks: Actual version sensible to faults
Maybe push for the probabilistic version as a standard
- Masking the NTT: With twiddle factors reasonable overhead for thwarting two attack paths
- Investigation of SASCA: Louvain University SCALib on Github (for AES)
 - Actual work of Thales (on AES) shows it to be less effective than anticipated
 - Maybe results on Dilithium within a month
- Leakage assessment of masked Dilithium
- Exploiting possible attack path on s_2

Questions?

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Current attack path

- For performances we compute:
 $(r_1, r_0) = \text{Decompose}(w_0 - cs_2)$
- $\text{UseHint}(h, Az - ct_1 \cdot 2^d, 2\gamma_2) = \text{HighBits}(w - cs_2, 2\gamma_2) := w_1$
- $\text{UseHint}(h', Az' - c't_1 \cdot 2^d, 2\gamma_2) = \text{HighBits}(w' - c's_2, 2\gamma_2) := w'_1$
- $\tilde{c} = \text{H}(\mu \parallel w_1)$
- $\tilde{c}' = \text{H}(\mu \parallel w'_1)$

Sign_faulted (M, \mathbf{sk}) :

- 1- $A = \text{ExpandA}(\rho)$
- 2- $\mu = \text{CRH}(tr \parallel M)$
- 3- **while** $(z, h) = \perp$ **do**
- 4- $y \xleftarrow{\$} [-\gamma_1, \gamma_1]^l$
- 5- $w = Ay$
- 6- $c = \text{H}(\mu \parallel \text{HighBits}(w))$
- 7- $z = y + cs_1$
- 8- $(r_1, r_0) = \text{Decompose}(w - cs_2)$ ←
- 9- **if** $\|z\|_\infty \geq \gamma_1 - \beta$ **or** ~~$\|r_0\|_\infty \geq \gamma_2 - \beta$~~ :
 $(z, h) = \perp$
- 10- **return** $\sigma' = (c', z', h')$

A few details about the papers

- **Title:** Number "Not Used" Once - Practical fault attack on pqm4 implementations of NIST candidates [1] :
- **Authors:** Prasanna Ravi and Debapriya Basu Roy and Shivam Bhasin and Anupam Chattopadhyay and Debdeep Mukhopadhyay
- **What:** Key Recovery and Message Recovery Attack
- **How:** EM Fault to skip store instruction
- **On what:** s_1 and s_2 (resp. s and e) sampling in **KeyGen** for Dilithium (resp. Kyber)
- **Setup:** pqm4 implementation on an ARM Cortex-M4 microcontroller
- **Results:** 100% repeatability with custom prob

A few details about the papers

- **Title:** Side-channel Assisted Existential Forgery Attack on Dilithium - A NIST PQC candidate [2] :
- **Authors:** Prasanna Ravi and Mahabir Prasad Jhanwar and James Howe and Anupam Chattopadhyay and Shivam Bhasin
- **What:** DPA
- **How:** Two stages DPA on sparse and DPA textbook multiplier version of Dilithium
- **On what:** cs_1 multiplication in [Sign](#)
- **Setup:** Simulated setting, uniform noise supposing 8 bit Hamming Weight leakage and linear regression model noise
- **Results:** HW model with up to noise in $[-6, 6]$ 75% coefficients retrieved . LR model up to same level of noise 90% retrieved with none to brute force (on average).

A few details about the papers

- **Title:** On the Security of Lattice-based Fiat-Shamir Signatures in the Presence of Randomness Leakage [3] :
- **Authors:** Yuejun Liu and Yongbin Zhou and Shuo Sun and Tianyu Wang and Rui Zhang and Jingdian Ming
- **What:** Generic Key Recovery attack supposing leakage of randomness
- **How:** Recovery of one bit of randomness, instance of FS-ILWE and analytical attack
- **On what:** $z = y + cs_1$ addition in **Sign**
- **Setup:** Certain and probabilistic leakage of the bit, profiling of power traces of sensitive operation without and with artificial noise
- **Results:** Up to 0.65 % even with $\sigma = 10$ noise.

A few details about the papers

- **Title:** Novel Single-Trace ML Profiling Attacks on NIST 3 Round candidate Dilithium [4] :
- **Authors:** Il-Ju Kim and Tae-Ho Lee and Jaeseung Han and Bo-Yeon Sim and Dong-Guk Han
- **What:** Single Trace Attack
- **How:** Target load, save and store instructions on operations involving private key
- **On what:** [Sign](#)
 - Unprotected version: Montgomery Reduction of NTT representation of sensitive variable
 - Masked Version: Sparse multiplication of challenge with sensitive variables
- **Setup:** ARM Cortex M4 microcontroller of Dilithium II
- **Results:** Success rate of 100%

A few details about the papers

- **Title:** Single-Trace Side-Channel Attacks on Masked Lattice-Based Encryption [8] :
- **Authors :** Robert Primas and Peter Pessl and Stefan Mangard
- **What:** Single Trace Attack
- **How:**
 - Side Channel Template Matching
 - Factor Graph of butterfly atomic operation, BP algorithm
 - Lattice decoding on reduced size of pk
- **On what:** Target $\text{NTT}^{-1}(su)$ on **Dec** of generic lattice based PKE scheme
- **Setup:** EM measurement for real device experiment
- **Results:** 80% up to $\sigma = 0.5$ in the Noisy Hamming Weight leakage Model

A few details about the papers

- **Title:** More Practical Single-Trace Attacks on the Number Theoretic Transform [9] :
- **Authors:** Peter Pessl and Robert Primas
- **What:** Single Trace Attack
- **How:** New Factor Graph and SASCA method
- **On what:** Target save, store and load on *NTT* of r in [Enc](#)
- **Setup:** Hamming Weight Templates on pqm4 Kyber
- **Results:** Success rate of $\approx 57\%$ on a real device

A few details about the papers

- **Title:** Profiling Dilithium Digital Signature Traces for Correlation Differential Side Channel Attacks [5] :
- **Authors:** Apostolos P. Fournaris, Charis Dimopoulos and Odysseas Koufopavlou
- **What:** Correlation Power Attack
- **How:** Correlation Power Attack
- **On what:** Target $cS_1 cS_2$ multiplication in last round of in [Sign](#)
- **Setup:** Hamming Weight model on real noisy device
- **Results:** Polynomial Operation visible in the trace