

Accelerating integer arithmetic for isogenies




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Motivation

Isogeny-based protocols have become a key family of post-quantum cryptographic schemes. However, there are only a few isogeny-based signature schemes, as creating large challenge sets for them has proven more difficult than anticipated. SQISign has emerged as a breakthrough, offering signature and key sizes smaller than any other post-quantum signature schemes.

The core performance of SQISign relies on efficient large-sized modular arithmetic. The primary goal of this thesis is to design dedicated and efficient modular arithmetic in hardware for SQISign.

Goals and Tasks

-  Understand integer and modular arithmetic modules in SQISign. [4 - 5 weeks]
-  Implement the functions of integer unit in hardware. [8 - 10 weeks]
-  Investigate possible optimizations for field arithmetic and other low-level operations. Final thesis preparation. [5 - 8 weeks]



Literature

- > Luca De Feo, David Kohel, Antonin Leroux, Christophe Petit, and Benjamin Wesolowski
SQISign: Compact Post-quantum Signatures from Quaternions and Isogenies
https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-64837-4_3

Courses & Deliverables

- Master Project**
Project code
Report
Presentation

– OR –
- Master's Thesis + DiplomandInnenseminar (CS)**
Initial presentation
Project code
Thesis (60+ pages)
Final presentation

Recommended if you're studying

- CS ICE SEM

Prerequisites

- > Interest in the topic area
- > Programming (Verilog, C++, Python)

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