



# HAETAΕ: Shorter Fiat-Shamir with Aborts Signature

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# High-level Overview

Same framework as  : Fiat-Shamir with Aborts over lattices


Our goals:

Minimize signature size




Replace  with 

Bimodal version of the scheme




Fixed-point arithmetic everywhere

Careful analysis of the  sampler

# Performances

	 <b>FALCON</b>		 <b>HAETAE</b> HEAAN CORPORATION	H/D
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- Haetae works over  $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{Z}[x]/(x^{256} + 1)$  and uses a modulus  $q = 64513$  (16 bits)
- Between 1.5 and  $2\times$  less arithmetic operations than Dilithium

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do
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   $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} + (-1)^{U(\{0,1\})} \mathbf{sc}$ 
  w.p.  $\frac{2P(\mathbf{z})}{(M(Q(\mathbf{z}-\mathbf{sc})+Q(\mathbf{z}+\mathbf{sc})))}$ 
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- $\mathbf{z} \leftarrow P$
- Verification relies on  $\mathbf{Az} - q\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{Ay} \bmod 2q$  as  $\mathbf{As} = -\mathbf{As} = q\mathbf{j} \bmod 2q$
- Bimodal [DDLL13] is more compact [DFPS22]
- Compactness depends on  $\|\mathbf{sc}\|$

# Optimal Choice of Distribution

Our choice: continuous  $U(\bullet)$

- Most compact [DFPS22]
- Easier rejection probability than Gaussians
- Rejection probability well-understood
- Rounding step before hashing  $\mathbf{A}[\mathbf{y}]$  and compressing  $\text{compress}(\lfloor \mathbf{z} \rfloor)$



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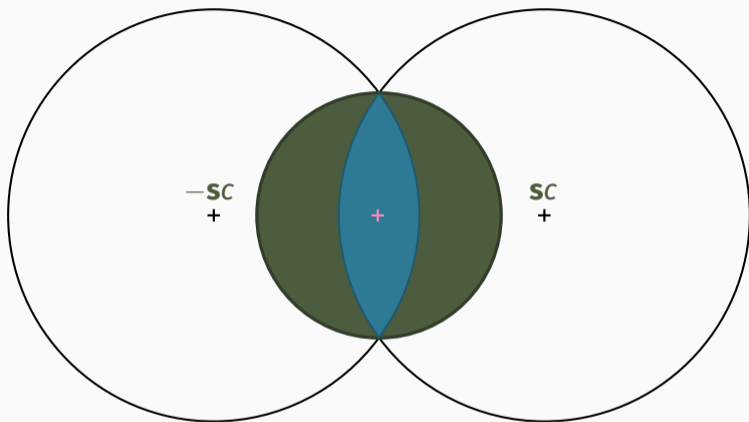
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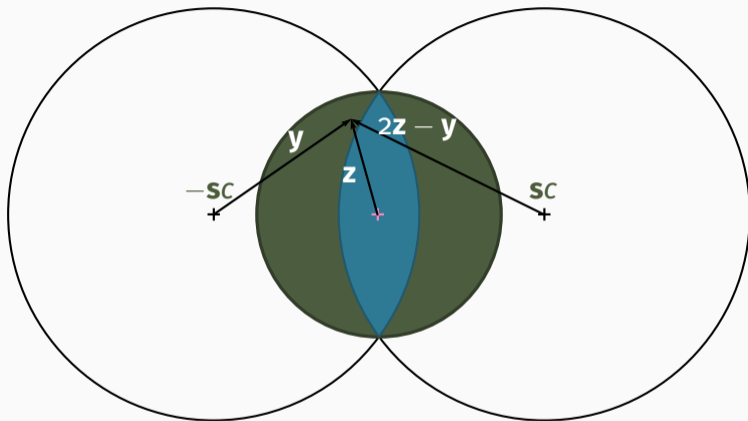
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# Hyperball Sampler

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- Adapted to work from discrete gaussian over  $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}^{n+2}$  to  $U(\bullet \cap \frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}^n)$
- Requires large enough standard deviation and  $N$

## Implementation with Fixed-point Arithmetic

- Reject from discrete  to discrete 
- New average rejection probability?
- Close enough to the previous one for large  $N$
- Balanced out with the previous constraint



Sign

Up to 80% of signing runtime!

# Hashing to a Ball

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# Hash-related Choices



Challenge	Ternary	Binary
Entropy	$\binom{256}{\tau} + \tau$	$\binom{256}{\tau}$
Level II $\tau$	39	58

NB: for Level V, to get 255 bits of entropy, we take  $\tau$  with Hamming weight  $< 128$  and half of those with Hamming weight 128

## SampleInBall( $\tau$ ):

- 1:  $c_0 \dots c_{255} = 0^{256}$
- 2: **For**  $i = 256 - \tau$  to 255
- 3:  $j \leftarrow U(\{0 \dots i\})$
- 4:  $c_i = c_j$
- 5:  $c_j = 1$
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- 2:  $\mathbf{s}_0, \mathbf{e}_0 \leftarrow U([- \eta \dots \eta])^{\ell - 1 + k}$
- 3:  $\mathbf{b} \leftarrow \mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{s}_0 + \mathbf{e}_0 \pmod q$
- 4:  $\mathbf{A} \leftarrow (-2\mathbf{b} + q\mathbf{j} | 2\mathbf{A}_0 | 2\mathbf{I}_k) \pmod{2q}$
- 5:  $\mathbf{s} \leftarrow (1 | \mathbf{s}_0^\top | \mathbf{e}_0^\top)^\top$
- 6: restart if  $f_\tau(\mathbf{s}) > n\beta^2/\tau$
- 7: return  $\text{vk} = \mathbf{A}, \text{sk} = \mathbf{s}$

- $\mathbf{j} = (1, 0 \dots 0)^\top$
- Add a trapdoor in the public matrix
- $f_\tau$  ensures that  $\|\mathbf{s}c\| \leq \beta$  for any  $c$  with Hamming weight  $\tau$
- Acceptance rate from 10 to 25%

# Signature Compression (Two Ways)

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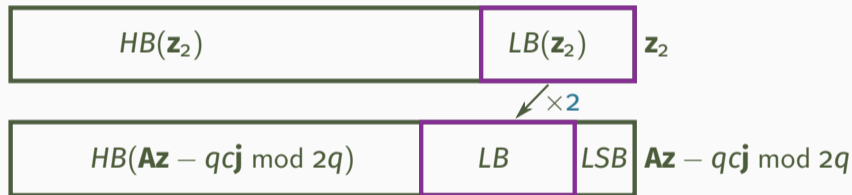
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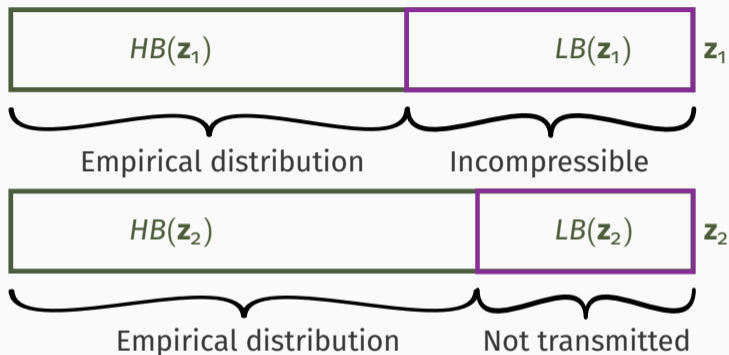
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## Low Bits Truncation

- Truncation technique from Bai and Galbraith
- $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{z}_1 + 2\mathbf{z}_2 - qc\mathbf{j} \bmod 2q$  for some  $\mathbf{A}_1$



- Exclude  $LB(\mathbf{z}_2)$  from the signature
- Hash  $HB(\mathbf{w})$  and  $LSB(\mathbf{w})$



- Similar to [ETWY22]
- range Asymmetric Numeral System used to encode/decode
- Swapped with tANS to reduce RAM usage
- Negligible cost in sign runtime ( $< 1\%$ )

# Security Estimation

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## Theoretical

Similar to Dilithium

- Reduction in the QROM depends on SelfTargetMSIS
- Lossy-soundness in specific parameters regime

## Practical

Similar to Dilithium

- Key Recovery attacks solve an LWE instance
- Forgery attacks solve a SIS instance



Thank you!

