Implementing Post-Quantum Cryptography on the Cortex M4

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 ...
 post-guantum RSA

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{As} + \mathbf{e} &\Rightarrow \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{m}\widehat{\mathbf{G}} + \mathbf{z} &\Rightarrow \mathbf{m} \\ \mathbf{y} &= \mathcal{M}\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \phi &: E_1 \to E_2 \\ \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}) &\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

'What if we used 1 GiB keys?'

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Deliverable of the EU H2020 PQCRYPTO project

'Small devices'

 Target platform: Cortex M4 (STM32 M4 discovery board)

STM32F407VG

- 'PQC on M4' framework
 - Testing
 - Benchmarking





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Preliminary results

- Arbitrary degree $n (\leq 1024)$
- Python scripts generate ARMv7M assembly



Speed records

Directly applies to several NIST submissions

Work in progress

scheme	params	impl	key gen	encaps	decaps
KINDI	<i>n</i> = 256	ref	22,942k	29,656k	37,817k
	$q = 2^{14}$	ours	1,101k	1,494k	1,726k
NTRU-HRSS	<i>n</i> = 701	ref	204,854k	5,166k	15,067k
	$q = 2^{13}$	ours	164,090k	451k	917k
NTRU-KEM	<i>n</i> = 743	ref	53,326k	7,144k	12,782k
	$q = 2^{11}$	ours	5,445k	1,825k	2,145k
SABER	n = 256 $q = 2^{13}$	ref	7,123k	9,471k	12,304k
		[1]	1,147k	1,444k	1,543k
		ours	982k	1,277k	1,323k
RLizard	<i>n</i> = 1024	ref	26,428k	32,211k	57,344k
	$q = 2^{11}$	ours	626k	1,513k	1,986k

[1] Karmakar, A., Mera, J. M. B., Roy, S. S., & Verbauwhede, I. (2018). Saber on ARM. IACR Transactions on Cryptographic Hardware and Embedded Systems, 243-266.

Interested?

Find us at https://github.com/mupq/pqm4

All code available as public domain where possible.