

# A New Lattice Attack on DSA Schemes

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## Important Remark

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The *Euclidean norm* of a vector  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$  is the quantity

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = (v_1^2 + \dots + v_n^2)^{1/2}.$$

# Closest Vector Problem (CVP)

## Problem

Let  $\mathcal{L} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a lattice and  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \mathcal{L}$ . Find a vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{L}$  that minimizes the quantity  $\|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}\|$ .

CVP is NP-hard problem.



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### Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a  $n$ -dimensional lattice and  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then there is a deterministic algorithm that computes  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{L}$  such that for every  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathcal{L}$  we have

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# A System of Linear Congruences

Our attacks are based on the following result:

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$$\|\mathbf{v}\| < \frac{q^{n/(n+1)}}{16}.$$

The time complexity of computation of  $x$  is  $O(2^{2n+o(n)})$ .

For the proof of this result we use the theorem of Micciancio and P. Voulgaris, and the following lemma:

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## Proposition

Put  $k_{ij} = k_j \lfloor q^{i/(n+1)} \rfloor C_j^{-1} \bmod q$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, t$ ).  
Then the algorithm DSA-ATTACK-1 computes  $a$  provided that

$$\|(a, k_{1\mu(1)}, \dots, k_{n\mu(n)})\| < q^{n/(n+1)}/4,$$

where  $\mu \in M$ . The time complexity of the algorithm is  $O((\log_2 q)^{4+2 \log_2 t})$ .

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$$l_2 = k_2a^{-1}A_2D_2^{-1} \bmod q < 2^{90},$$

$$l_3 = k_3a^{-1}A_3D_3^{-1} \bmod q < 2^{50},$$

we obtain

$$\|(a^{-1} \bmod q, l_1, l_2, l_3)\| < q^{3/4}/4.$$

Hence, the DSA-ATTACK-2 can provide us  $a^{-1} \bmod q$  and so, the secret key  $a$ .

**THANK YOU**