Swoosh: Efficient Lattice-Based Non-Interactive Key Exchange

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Based on a USENIX 2024 paper with the same title $[GdKQ^+24]$.





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l	# factors $X^d + 1$ splits into mod q	128
N	height of the \boldsymbol{A} matrix	32
n	lattice dimension	8192
		p(-1) = 25%
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