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Subject: [pqc-forum] Will SqiSign be submitted for additional digital signature schemes?

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Dear SqiSign inventors:

Are you considering submitting SqiSign to "NIST call for Additional Digital Signature Schemes"? Does SIKE being broken have any impact on this scheme? (isogeny based)
Characteristics of SqiSign appear to be attractive and in-line with expectations for the additional call (March 1 deadline). The signature and public key sizes are attractive for applications like blockchains (sign time is high though).

Signature: 204 bytes Secret Keys: 16 bytes Public Keys: 64 bytes

Performance:

The following are timings (medians) obtained running the benchmarks above on an Intel Core i7-6700 CPU @ 3.40GHz with Turbo Boost disabled.

https://github.com/SQISign/sqisign

Key Gen: 575ms Sign: 2279ms Verify: 42ms

SqiSign: compact post-quantum signatures from quaternions and isogenies

https://eprint.iacr.org/2020/1240

https://csrc.nist.gov/Projects/pqc-dig-sig/standardization/call-for-proposals

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