

Lizard

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The Basics

- It's a public key encryption scheme and a key encapsulation scheme.
- It's a lattice-based scheme that exploits LWE (Learning with Errors) and LWR (Learning with Rounding).
- It has IND-CPA (chosen plaintext attack) and IND-CCA₂ (adaptive chosen ciphertext attack) versions.

Simplified Protocols

(Based on this submission
and [Regev 2010])

Learning With Errors

Suppose that \mathbf{s} is an unknown vector in \mathbb{Z}_q^n , and that we know several approximate linear relations (mod q):

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s} \approx b_1$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} \approx b_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\mathbf{a}_m \cdot \mathbf{s} \approx b_m$$

Here, $\mathbf{a}_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$ and $b_j \in \mathbb{Z}_q$. Can we determine \mathbf{s} ?

Learning With Errors

More precisely, suppose that we are given the vectors $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$ and we are given the values

$$b_1 := \mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_1$$

$$b_2 := \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_2$$

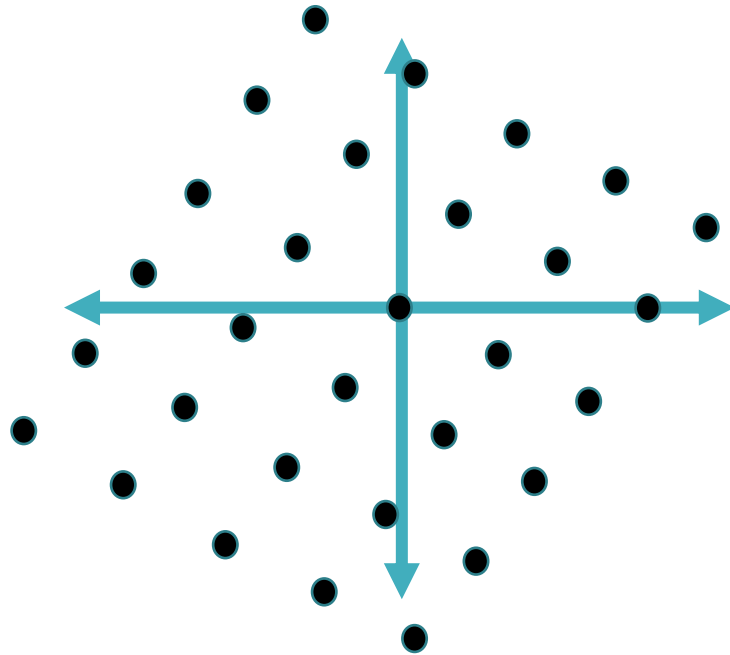
$$\vdots$$

$$b_m := \mathbf{a}_m \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_m$$

where $e_1, \dots, e_m \in \mathbb{Z}_q$ are chosen according to a discrete Gaussian distribution (with variance much smaller than q).

Learning With Errors

LWE is at least as hard as determining the length of the shortest vector in a lattice.

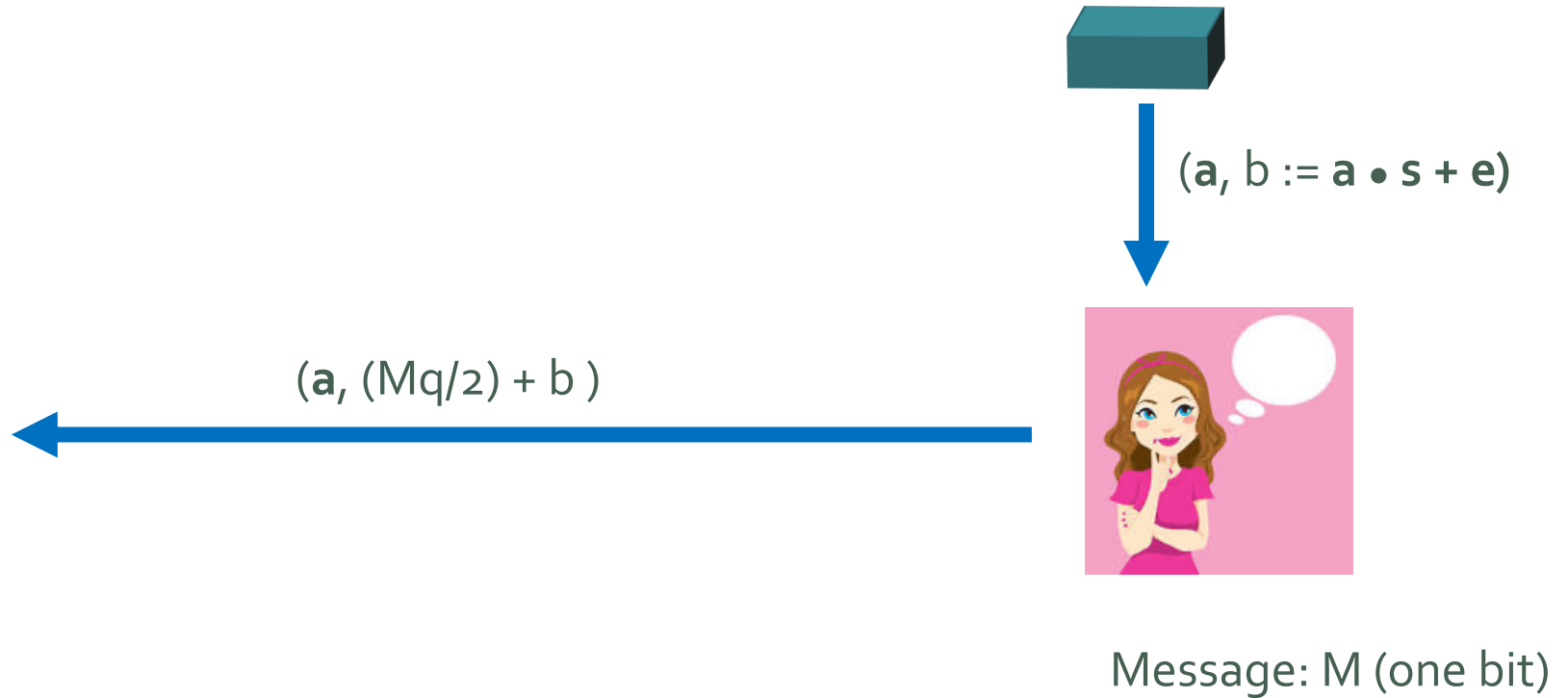


Encryption with LWE

Suppose Alice has access to a black box that generates LWE samples.



Private key: s

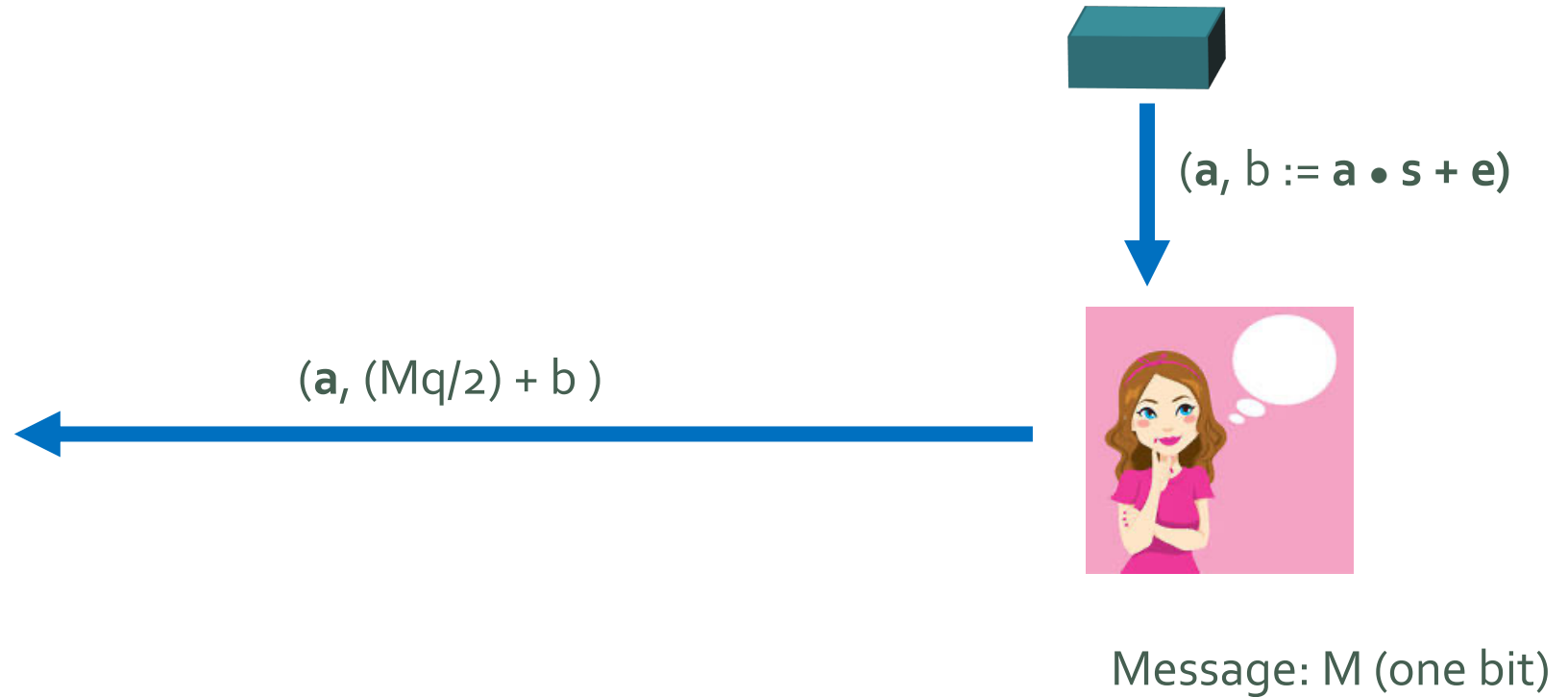


Encryption with LWE

Bob can approximately determine b , and therefore determine m . But, to everyone else the msg. looks random.



Private key: s



Message: M (one bit)

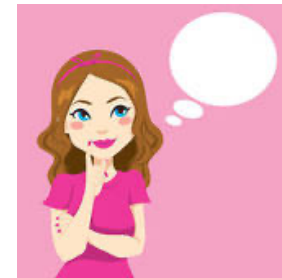
How does Alice generate LWE samples?

Alice adds & subtracts random equations from this system to get a new equation.

Public
key



$$\begin{array}{l} b_1 := \mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_1 \\ b_2 := \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_2 \\ b_3 := \mathbf{a}_3 \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_3 \\ b_4 := \mathbf{a}_4 \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_4 \\ b_5 := \mathbf{a}_5 \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_5 \\ b_6 := \mathbf{a}_6 \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_6 \\ \vdots \\ b_m := \mathbf{a}_m \cdot \mathbf{s} + e_m \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \times 0 \\ \times (-1) \\ \times 0 \\ \times (+1) \\ \times 0 \\ \times 0 \\ \\ \times (-1) \end{array}$$



$$b = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{s} + e$$

↑
(unknown)
Gaussian in \mathbb{Z}_q

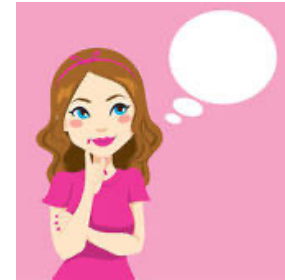
Encryption with LWE

The linear combination of equations from the public key gives Alice an equation she can use for the transmission.



Private key: s

$(a, (Mq/2) + b)$



Message: M (one bit)

Public key: $\{a_i\}, \{b_i\}$

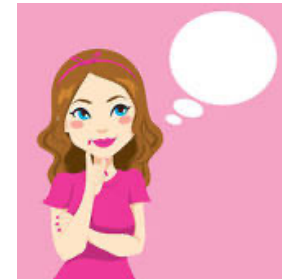
Alternatively ...

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Public
key



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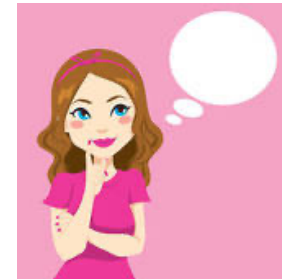
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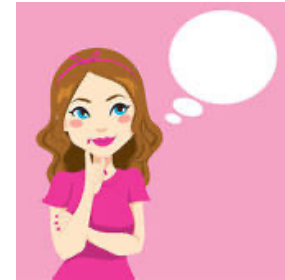
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Public key: $B = AS + E$



Message: M (one bit)

A Hypothetical Protocol

Bob computes a uniformly random matrix A , and sends $AS + E$.

Alice sends back her encryption of M .

Bob computes $S^T A^T r \approx B^T r$, and recovers M .

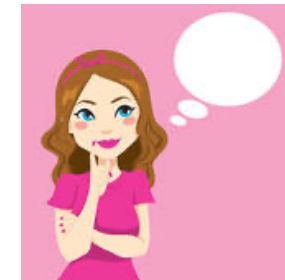


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Public key: $B = AS + E$



$(A^T r, (mq/2) + B^T r)$



Message: M (one bit)

Mask vector: r in $\{-1, 0, 1\}^m$

Main Protocols

Learning With Rounding (LWR)

Let $p \mid q$ and $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$. In LWR, we are given the vectors $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$ and we are given the values

$$b_1 := \lfloor (p/q)\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s} \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}_p$$

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$$\vdots$$

$$b_m := \lfloor (p/q)\mathbf{a}_m \cdot \mathbf{s} \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}_p$$

($\lfloor \cdot \rfloor$ = “round off to the nearest integer.”)

Lizard.CPA.KeyGen.

Vectors with entries
in $\{-1, 0, 1\}$


Discrete Gaussian

Operation:

1. Generate a random matrix $A \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times n}$.
2. Set a secret matrix $S := (\mathbf{s}_0 \parallel \cdots \parallel \mathbf{s}_{\ell-1})$ by sampling each \mathbf{s}_i independently from the distribution $\mathcal{ZO}_n(\rho)$.
3. For $0 \leq i \leq m-1$ and $0 \leq j \leq \ell-1$, sample an integer $E_{ij} \leftarrow \mathcal{DG}_{\alpha q}$, and then set $E = (E_{ij}) \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times \ell}$.
4. Compute $B := -AS + E \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times \ell}$.
5. Output the public key $\mathbf{pk} := (A \parallel B) \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{m \times (n+\ell)}$ and the private key $\mathbf{sk} := S \in \{-1, 0, 1\}^{n \times \ell}$.

Lizard.CPA.Enc.

Vectors with entries
in $\{-1, 0, 1\}$



Operation:

1. Generate an m dimensional vector $\mathbf{r} \in B_{m, h_r}$ from the distribution $\mathcal{HWT}_m(h_r)$.
2. Compute $\mathbf{a} := \lfloor (p/q) \cdot A^t \mathbf{r} \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ and $\mathbf{b} := \lfloor (p/q) \cdot ((q/2) \cdot \mathbf{M} + B^t \mathbf{r}) \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\ell$.
3. Output the ciphertext $\mathbf{c} := (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n \times \mathbb{Z}_p^\ell$.

Lizard.CPA.Dec.

Operation:

1. Parse the ciphertext $\mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$.
2. Compute $\mathbf{M} = \lfloor (2/p) \cdot (\mathbf{b} + S^t \mathbf{a}) \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}_2^\ell$.
3. Output the message \mathbf{M} .

Protocols in Polynomial Rings

The protocols

RLizard.CPA.KeyGen

RLizard.CPA.Enc

RLizard.CPA.Dec

are similar, except that that the matrices are restricted to

$$\mathcal{R}_q := \mathbb{Z}_q[x] / (x^n + 1)$$

(which is a subring of $\mathbb{Z}_q^{n \times n}$.)


IND-CCA2 Protocols

Lizard.CCA.Enc.

Operation:

1. Generate a random vector $\delta \leftarrow \{0, 1\}^\ell$.
2. Set $\mathbf{c}_1 := \mathbf{M} \oplus G(\delta) \in \mathbb{Z}_2^d$ and $\mathbf{c}_3 := H'(\delta)$.
3. Set $\mathbf{r} := H(\delta) \in \{-1, 0, 1\}^m$.
4. Compute $\mathbf{a} := \lfloor (p/q) \cdot A^t \mathbf{r} \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ and $\mathbf{b} := \lfloor (p/q) \cdot ((q/2) \cdot \delta + B^t \mathbf{r}) \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\ell$.
5. Output $\mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{c}_1, (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}), \mathbf{c}_3)$.

A random bit string is used both to pad the message, and to choose \mathbf{r} .



Possible parameters:

$$q = 2048$$

$$p = 512$$

$$d = 384$$

$$n = 816$$

$$m = 1024$$

$$\ell = 384$$

Analyses & Performance

Security Proofs

The authors prove that the original protocol is IND-CPA secure, under the assumption that both LWE and LWR distributions are indistinguishable from random.

Idea (?): Replacing the public key and the ciphertext with a random string makes only a negligible amount of difference, so an adversary can get only a negligible amount of information from both.

Key & Message Sizes

Operations	Parameter	Plaintext (bytes)	Ciphertext (bytes)	Public Key (bytes)	Private Key (bytes)
Lizard.CCA	CCA_CATEGORY1_N536	32	1,648	1,622,016	137,216
	CCA_CATEGORY1_N663	32	983	1,882,112	169,728
	CCA_CATEGORY3_N816	48	2,496	2,457,600	313,344
	CCA_CATEGORY3_N952	48	2,768	2,736,128	365,568
	CCA_CATEGORY5_N1088	64	3,328	6,553,600	557,056
	CCA_CATEGORY5_N1300	64	3,752	3,710,976	665,600
RLizard.CCA	RING_CATEGORY1	32	2,208	4,096	257
	RING_CATEGORY3_N1024	48	4,272	4,096	513
	RING_CATEGORY3_N2048	48	8,496	8,192	369
	RING_CATEGORY5	64	8,512	8,192	513

Table 4: Size of Lizard.CCA and RLizard.CCA

Performance

Operations	Parameter	KeyGen (ms)	Enc (ms)	Dec (ms)
Lizard.CCA	CCA_CATEGORY1_N536	156.320	0.031	0.034
	CCA_CATEGORY1_N663	176.570	0.032	0.036
	CCA_CATEGORY3_N816	250.555	0.052	0.064
	CCA_CATEGORY3_N952	275.555	0.057	0.072
	CCA_CATEGORY5_N1088	663.879	0.062	0.086
	CCA_CATEGORY5_N1300	392.828	0.071	0.101
RLizard.CCA	RING_CATEGORY1	0.449	0.036	0.039
	RING_CATEGORY3_N1024	0.513	0.057	0.075
	RING_CATEGORY3_N2048	0.875	0.078	0.093
	RING_CATEGORY5	0.920	0.108	0.135

Table 5: Performance of Lizard.CCA and RLizard.CCA

Hardware Implementation?

Architecture of Lizard.CPA The Fig. 1 shows the hardware architecture of Lizard.CPA.

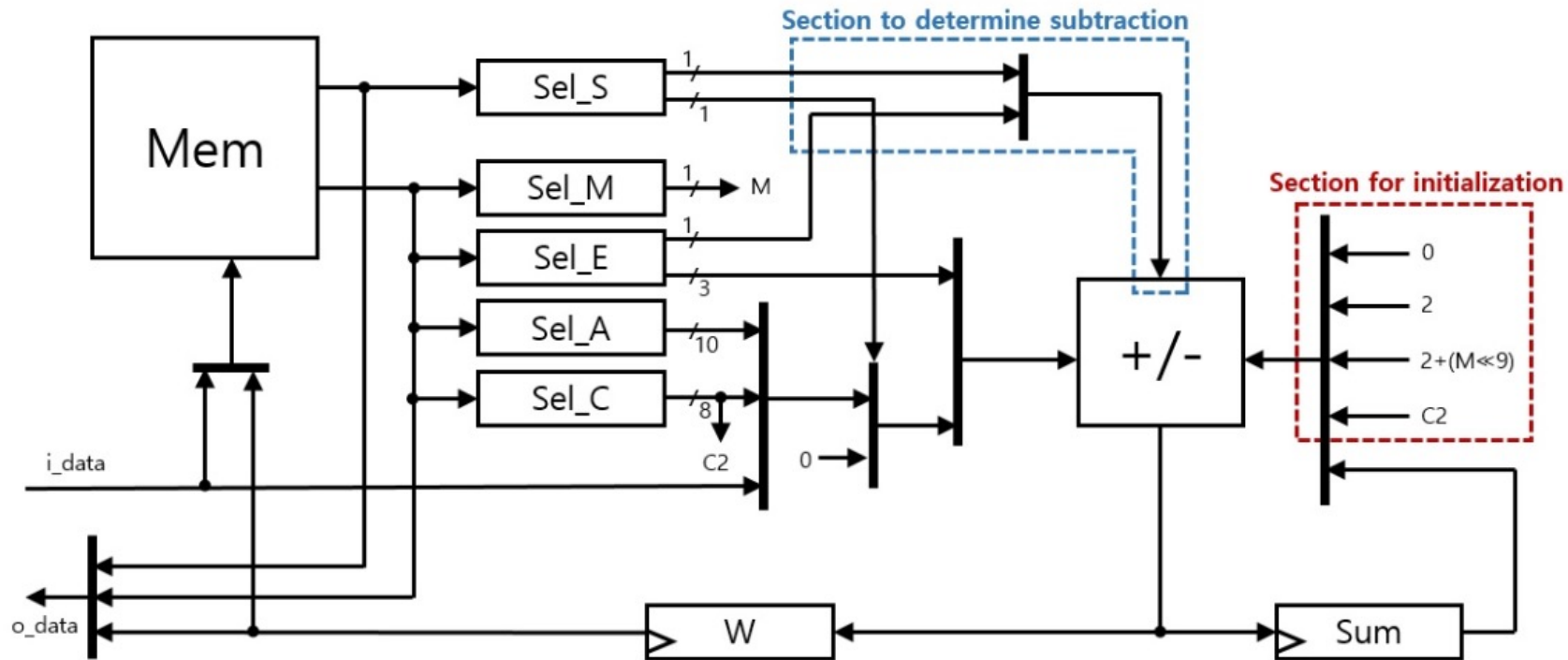


Fig. 1: Data path of Lizard.CPA

Claimed Advantages

The protocol is efficient in cases where the message space is small (e.g., 32 bits)?

Because of the structure of the encryption, a receiver can “add” plaintexts without decrypting them (i.e., limited homomorphic encryption).

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