

Low-Performance Embedded Internet of Things Devices and the Need for Hardware-Accelerated Post-Quantum Cryptography

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Abstract: Quantum computers pose a serious threat to currently widely deployed cryptographic protocols and to data security. New cryptographic algorithms have been developed with the aim to be resistant to attacks by both conventional and quantum computers. While these have been designed to perform well on modern computer hardware, the performance on embedded devices like e.g. used in the Internet Of Things may limit their practical usability. In this position paper, we provide a thorough performance review of the post-quantum algorithms currently evaluated by the National Institute of Standards and Technology on different Raspberry Pi generations, advocating the need for development of post-quantum cryptography application-specific integrated circuits to off-load calculations and improve performance.

1 INTRODUCTION AND RELATED WORK

The rise of quantum computing poses serious threats to current cryptosystems, especially of the asymmetric variety. Whether they are used for key-agreement like (Elliptic-Curve)-Diffie-Hellman, Signatures (like (Elliptic-Curve)-Digital Signature Algorithms) or for en- and decryption (like RSA), the respective underlying hard mathematical problems could - at least from a currently theoretical point of view - be easily solved by quantum computers of a certain size.

In order to address this challenge, the NIST held a competition to find new post-quantum usable cryptographic algorithms (PQC), in order to still be able to securely exchange symmetric keys and reliably sign data in the presence of actual quantum computers.

These algorithms, however, seem mostly ill suited for embedded systems, with low performance and/or memory characteristics. With this position paper we want to add another data point to this discussion by providing measurements of the current NIST PQC candidates on a range of different Raspberry Pi boards, showing quite clearly that for practical applications, even these comparatively powerful systems struggle under the load of these new algorithms.

1.1 Related Work

(Marzougui and Krämer, 2019) conducted measurements of multiple post-quantum signature schemes on ARM Cortex-R5 processors and concluded that the lattice based qTESLA scheme and the hash based XMSS scheme are the most promising signature scheme candidates for use in embedded devices.

(Bürstinghaus-Steinbach et al., 2020) integrated Kyber and SPHINCS+ into the embedded TLS library *mbed TLS* and tested this combination on a Raspberry Pi 3 B+ (ARM Cortex-A53), on an ESP32-PICO-KIT V4 (Xtensa LX6), on a Fieldbus Option Card (ARM966E-S) and on an LPC11U68 LPCXpresso board (ARM Cortex-M0+). The tests were conducted as a comparison of SPHINCS+ to ECDSA operations and of Kyber to ECDH operations. They concluded that SPHINCS+ takes "significantly longer" than ECDSA for signing operations, but that implementing hardware support for hash functions would significantly speed up these operations and that therefore appropriate hardware acceleration should be integrated for server components.

(Chung et al., 2022) measured the runtimes and transmitted data sizes of multiple schemes for key exchange and digital signatures (including Kyber and SPHINCS+) on Raspberry Pi 3 and Raspberry Pi 4 devices. They also compared the measurements to the same measurements with ECDH and ECDSA. It shows that while Kyber is comparable in response

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times and data sizes to ECDH, SPHINCS+ shows significantly higher response times and data sizes than ECDSA when performing signing and verification operations.

During measurements of power consumptions of post-quantum signature and key establishment schemes, (Tasopoulos et al., 2023) found that there are scheme combinations available that show power consumption comparable to RSA and ECDH. However, only one key length combination of Dilithium and Kyber was able to use less energy than ECDSA+ECDH.

In this work we provide additional data points by performing measurements of the current NIST PQC candidates on a variety of Raspberry Pi boards with a multitude of different parameters, to provide an overview and guide on which candidates in which configuration might be suitable for practical applications on low-end hardware.

The remainder of this work is now structured as follows: Section 2 briefly provides some background information on cryptographic primitives and associated systems, while Section 3 describes the specific quantum and post-quantum challenges. Finally, Sections 4 and 5 describes our measurement setup and our preliminary conclusions, respectively.

2 BACKGROUND

This section describes the underlying concepts for context as used in this work.

2.1 Symmetric Cryptography

Symmetric cryptography is the concept of encrypting and decrypting data using the same key for both operations. This means that all data that has ever been encrypted with a key K can always be decrypted once the key K is known to the party wanting to decrypt the data. To establish secure communication between two parties it is therefore imperative that:

1. Both parties have prior knowledge of the shared key and
2. No other party has any knowledge about the shared key.

To meet these prerequisites, this common key for encryption and decryption must be agreed upon by the communicating parties without other parties being able to ascertain the key by monitoring the communication. This process is called key establishment. While the shared key can be communicated through out-of-band means like a person traveling between the

parties with a physical, printed copy of the key, this method is not feasible for the scale of today's internet communication. Therefore, asymmetric cryptography is usually being used for key agreement (Boyd et al., 2020a).

2.2 Asymmetric Cryptography

In contrast to symmetric cryptography, for asymmetric (public-key) cryptography, two different keys, a so-called key-pair, are used - one for encryption and one for decryption. As such, one key can be made public and the other can be kept secret (private). This offers multiple use cases, the most important ones described in the following.

2.2.1 Asymmetric Encryption

Upon generation of a key-pair, the encryption key can be made public and the key for decryption kept private. In this scenario, every other party that has received the public encryption key in some way is able to encrypt data with this key. Decryption however is only possible using the private decryption key which has been kept secret. This way, private keys never have to be transmitted to another party and can therefore more easily be kept secret from attackers. One typical, wide-spread algorithm for asymmetric encryption is Rivest-Shamir-Adleman (RSA). Due to its low performance, asymmetric encryption is almost never used for bulk data encryption, but mainly as a key encapsulation mechanism (KEM), whereby a symmetric key is asymmetrically encrypted and transferred (Shoup, 2001).

2.2.2 Digital Signatures

Digital signature algorithms can be seen as a reverse of the aforementioned asymmetric encryption, whereby the private key is used for signature generation (signing), and the public one for signature verification. As long as the private key is kept secret, it proves to other parties that the party that signed a message with this key is indeed the intended party and not an attacker. RSA can also be used for digital signatures, another example is the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) (Johnson et al., 2001).

2.2.3 Key Exchange

When asymmetric cryptography is used by two parties to establish a common symmetric key, using algorithms that do not allow an attacker to effectively ascertain the symmetric key just by capturing the ex-

changed messages, the process is called a *key exchange* or *key agreement*. Typical examples of key exchange methods include the Diffie-Hellman (DH) and Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman (ECDH) key exchanges (Boyd et al., 2020b).

2.3 IoT Devices

With the rise of progressively smaller and more powerful devices as well as better wireless networking infrastructure, many household and smart home devices are now connected to local networks and to the internet. As such, huge amounts of private and business data are communicated by IoT devices to servers or other IoT devices and commands are sent back to those devices. One simple example for this would be an environmental sensor in an apartment, measuring the current temperature, communicating it to a server which in turn communicates on- and off-commands to a heating switch. To prevent attackers from being able to alter, inject or intercept sensor data or commands, encryption is a key technology in IoT devices.

While these IoT devices become more and more powerful, usually they are limited in their ability to perform computationally expensive cryptography due to their size and power consumption constraints.

2.4 Quantum Computers

While *conventional computers* use bits, usually an electrical signal that describes a discrete value of either zero or one, *quantum computers* use so-called *qubits*. A qubit describes the concept of using a quantum-mechanical property of a system to represent information. This represented information can be described as probabilities of being one of two states, called zero or one (a *superposition*). During calculations using qubits, these probabilities are altered and the superposition finally collapses into, again, a discrete value of either zero or one.

Many mathematical problems that have been shown to have no or no known efficient solution in conventional computing can be solved efficiently using quantum computers, as will be described in the following sections.

3 POST QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY

3.1 Problem Statement

Many mathematical problems that were not efficiently solvable using conventional computers are coming

into reach of becoming solvable using quantum computing. Some of these problems form the basis of asymmetric cryptography, like the integer factorization problem for RSA and the discrete logarithm problem for DH.

In 1994, Peter Shor was able to show in (Shor, 1994) that using quantum computers an algorithm can be constructed which can efficiently (meaning in polynomial runtime) solve many mathematical problems that have been thought to have no efficient solution before. This includes the Integer Factorization Problem (IFP), the Discrete Logarithm Problem (DLP) and the Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem (ECDLP) which are used throughout asymmetric cryptography, as in RSA, DH, ECDSA, ECDH and more. Using such an algorithm on a quantum computer effectively breaks the security of conventional asymmetric algorithms completely.

Grover’s algorithm as described in (Grover, 1996) is an algorithm that is able to reduce the time complexity of searches in unordered data from $O(n)$ to $O(n^{1/2})$. Using this algorithm, the time complexity of breaking symmetric keys can be reduced significantly. However, the reduction of time complexity can be mitigated by doubling the key length of the symmetric algorithm.

3.1.1 Security with Quantum Computing

Table 1 shows a list of currently widely used algorithms and key sizes and compares the security of the algorithm and key size between conventional computers and quantum computers.

Table 1: Security level comparison (Mavroeidis et al., 2018).

Algorithm	Key Size	Security Level [Bits]	
		Classical	Quantum
RSA	1024	80	0
RSA	2048	112	0
ECC	256	128	0
ECC	384	256	0
AES	128	128	64
AES	256	256	128

This result means that once sufficiently powerful quantum computers have been developed, current asymmetric algorithms like RSA and ECC will have to be considered insecure. At the time of writing this paper, Fujitsu Limited has estimated, that approximately 10,000 qubits and 2.23 trillion quantum gates would be needed to effectively break RSA (Fujitsu Limited, 2023). At the same time, IBM plans to build a quantum computer system called *Blue Jay* in 2033, able to contain 2,000 qubits with one billion quantum

gates. While these facts sound promising in the sense that current communication is secure, using "harvest now, decrypt later", data can now be collected and stored, and be later decrypted, once sufficiently powerful quantum computers exist. As such, it is important to implement and deploy so-called post-quantum cryptography, which is resistant to quantum computer algorithms, as quickly as possible.

3.2 Post-Quantum Cryptography Standardization

Algorithms developed for so-called post-quantum cryptography (PQC) feature mathematical problems that cannot effectively be broken using either conventional or quantum computers. Many such algorithms have been developed and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) has started a standardization process to select algorithms that have been found to be secure, unburdened by patents or restrictive licenses and future-proof (NIST, 2017a).

During the initial submission to the standardization process in 2017, 69 algorithms were submitted (NIST, 2017b) and most were withdrawn or eliminated in the process. At the end of the rigorous selection process, four finalists remained (NIST, 2022): one key-establishment algorithm (*CRYSTALS Kyber*) and three digital signature algorithms (*CRYSTALS Dilithium*, *FALCON* and *SPHINCS+*).

CRYSTALS Kyber, *CRYSTALS Dilithium* and *FALCON* are all implemented using the hardness of mathematical problems in the field of multidimensional lattice based mathematics. Each one leverages a different problem over lattices, however. *CRYSTALS Kyber* (Cryptographic Suite for Algebraic Lattices, 2020) uses *Learning With Errors (LWE)* based problems (Regev, 2009), *CRYSTALS Dilithium* (Cryptographic Suite for Algebraic Lattices, 2021) uses the *Fiat-Shamir with Aborts* technique (Lyubashevsky, 2009), and *FALCON* (Fouque et al., 2021) uses the *Short Integer Solution (SIS)* problem (Ajtai, 1996).

SPHINCS+ (*SPHINCS+*, 2023) on the other hand is implemented using so-called hyper-trees, a construction of multiple trees constructed using the *Extended Merkle Signature Scheme* (Huelsing et al., 2018).

All these algorithms and their key length variations were classified into five categories as lined out by (NIST, 2016). Of these categories, submitters were advised to focus their efforts on categories one through three, as these are considered by NIST in the same document to be sufficiently secure "for the foreseeable future".

3.3 Implementation and Adoption

All submissions to the NIST standardization process were required to include a reference implementation, compilable using the GCC compiler suite and running on a 64-Bit Intel processor under Windows or Linux. While the requirements document invited tests on other platforms, they were not required for submission. (NIST, 2016)

While other organizations, like (eBACS, 2019), have measured the performance of PQC algorithms on 64-Bit platforms and powerful ARM Cortex-A processors, there is little data on complex PQC algorithm implementations on smaller devices. However, since also low performance IoT devices have the need for secure communication, the usability of PQC algorithms on such devices and operating systems should be tested and plans on how to create devices that are secure in the foreseeable future must be made. We therefore conducted preliminary measurements of NIST standardization process finalists on different single board computers to explore the usability of PQC on embedded devices.

4 MEASUREMENTS

The Open Quantum Safe (OQS) project develops and maintains a library, *liboqs*, implementing many post-quantum cryptography algorithms, including the NIST process finalists. The library can be run on multiple different platforms and on Linux (Open Quantum Safe, 2024).

We therefore decided to use Linux and *liboqs* for a first benchmarking on embedded devices. To measure the complexity of calculations of the NIST process finalists, each submitted variant of each algorithm that is supported by *liboqs* was measured on multiple devices. The devices that were used are listed in Table 2 in the appendix.

While all used devices come from the popular Raspberry Pi (Raspberry Pi Ltd, 2024b) series and feature relatively powerful ARM Cortex-A processors, it was found to be enough information for a first overview of the general performance of post-quantum algorithms and to ascertain the usability of these algorithms on even smaller and less powerful devices. The selection of Raspberry Pi devices has the added benefit of being built for and supporting Linux. As operating system, the Raspberry Pi OS Lite (Raspberry Pi Ltd, 2024a), released February 21st 2023, kernel version 5.15, Debian Linux version 11 has been used. For each device, the image has been configured for headless mode, to minimize disturbances by back-

ground services as much as possible. Control access was gained through an SSH server on the devices. Devices without ethernet connector were connected using Wi-Fi.

To perform calculations and measure the performance, both liboqs (Code: (Open Quantum Safe, 2023)) and a library for accessing the ARM Performance Monitoring Unit (PMU), pqax (Code: (pqax, 2021)) were compiled and installed on the target. Since liboqs at the time of writing does not support ARMv6 processors, the code for accessing the PMU had to be adapted for these processors.

The builtin benchmarking tests of liboqs were used to perform performance tests of the algorithms. The benchmarks were set to last at least 10 seconds and the used processor cycles and time were recorded. This process was repeated twice and the results were averaged over both repetitions. This does not necessarily result in the lowest possible run-times, but at least tries to paint a realistic picture of the average expectable real-world performance

The results of the measurements can be seen in Tables 3 through 9 in the Appendix.

The measurements of the key establishment algorithm Kyber show that it displays good performance on all platforms (maximum time for any operation on any device and security level: 17ms). Kyber might therefore also be suitable for more constrained devices to establish keys between communicating parties.

Meanwhile, runtime measurements for digital signature algorithms display much higher runtimes. For this paper, key generation will be thought of as being off-loadable, so it compares the times needed for signature generation and verification. While the Falcon and Dilithium algorithms have been shown to perform relatively well (maximum time was the signature generation using Falcon-1024 on a Raspberry Pi 1 B with 212ms), the SPHINCS+ algorithm has proven to generally take long times on these devices (SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192s-robust signature generation on a Raspberry Pi 1 B took more than 22 minutes).

Since we assume calculation times of up to 500 milliseconds as being acceptable in practice, Tables 3 through 9 in the Appendix have been colored with a grey gradient, starting at 500 milliseconds to better visualize the performance of algorithms.

5 CONCLUSIONS

While there may be a combination of algorithms that works acceptably well on performance-strong

embedded devices, it can be argued that current post-quantum cryptography algorithms are simply too complex for smaller and more constrained embedded processors.

Some steps have been taken towards implementations of post-quantum cryptography algorithms in programmable logic devices like FPGAs. Even though issues have arisen in this undertaking (Li et al., 2022), it is the position of the authors of this paper that the implementation of post-quantum cryptography on FPGAs and later ASICs is the only way to provide small, constrained devices with the ability to stay secure in a world with ever evolving better quantum computers.

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APPENDIX

Table 2: Platforms used for benchmarking.

ID	Device Name	Architecture	Kernel Arch	Cores	Frequency [GHz]	RAM [GB]
r1b	Raspberry Pi 1 B	ARM1176JZF-S	armv6l	1	0.7	0.25
r1b+	Raspberry Pi 1 B+	ARM1176JZF-S	armv6l	1	0.7	0.5
rzw	Raspberry Pi Zero W Rev 1.1	ARM1176JZF-S	armv6l	1	0.7	0.5
r2b	Raspberry Pi 2 B Rev 1.1	ARM Cortex-A7	armv7l	4	0.9	1
r3b	Raspberry Pi 3 B Rev 1.2	ARM Cortex-A53	armv8	4	1.2	1
r3b+	Raspberry Pi 3 B+ Rev 1.3	ARM Cortex-A53	armv8	4	1.4	1
r4b	Raspberry Pi 4 B Rev 1.4	ARM Cortex-A72	armv8	4	1.5	8

Table 3: Runtime measurement results: Key Encapsulation Mechanism: Key Generation.

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rzw	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
1	Kyber512	5.3ms	4.9ms	3.2ms	1.4ms	0.1ms	0.1ms	0.1ms
1	Kyber512-90s	1.1ms	1.2ms	0.8ms	0.6ms	0.3ms	0.3ms	0.1ms
3	Kyber768	8.3ms	7.7ms	5.0ms	2.2ms	0.2ms	0.2ms	0.1ms
3	Kyber768-90s	1.8ms	1.9ms	1.2ms	1.0ms	0.5ms	0.4ms	0.2ms
5	Kyber1024	13.0ms	12.1ms	7.9ms	3.4ms	0.3ms	0.2ms	0.1ms
5	Kyber1024-90s	2.7ms	2.8ms	1.8ms	1.5ms	0.8ms	0.7ms	0.3ms

Table 4: Runtime measurement results: Key Encapsulation Mechanism: Encapsulation.

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rzw	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
1	Kyber512	6.8ms	6.2ms	4.0ms	1.7ms	0.1ms	0.1ms	0.1ms
1	Kyber512-90s	1.4ms	1.5ms	1.0ms	0.8ms	0.4ms	0.3ms	0.1ms
3	Kyber768	10.6ms	9.8ms	6.4ms	2.7ms	0.2ms	0.2ms	0.1ms
3	Kyber768-90s	2.2ms	2.2ms	1.5ms	1.2ms	0.6ms	0.5ms	0.2ms
5	Kyber1024	15.9ms	14.7ms	9.6ms	4.1ms	0.3ms	0.2ms	0.1ms
5	Kyber1024-90s	3.2ms	3.2ms	2.1ms	1.7ms	0.9ms	0.8ms	0.3ms

Table 5: Runtime measurement results: Key Encapsulation Mechanism: Decapsulation.

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rzw	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
1	Kyber512	5.7ms	5.3ms	3.4ms	1.6ms	0.1ms	0.1ms	<0.1ms
1	Kyber512-90s	1.6ms	1.6ms	1.1ms	0.9ms	0.5ms	0.4ms	0.1ms
3	Kyber768	9.2ms	8.6ms	5.6ms	2.6ms	0.2ms	0.1ms	0.1ms
3	Kyber768-90s	2.4ms	2.5ms	1.6ms	1.4ms	0.7ms	0.6ms	0.2ms
5	Kyber1024	14.2ms	13.1ms	8.6ms	3.9ms	0.2ms	0.2ms	0.1ms
5	Kyber1024-90s	3.5ms	3.6ms	2.4ms	2.0ms	1.0ms	0.9ms	0.3ms

Table 6: Runtime measurement results: Digital Signature: Key Generation.

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rzw	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
1	Falcon-512	656ms	652ms	486ms	281ms	79ms	71ms	41ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128f-simple	110ms	111ms	76ms	72ms	13ms	11ms	7ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128s-simple	7s	7s	5s	5s	808ms	705ms	430ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128f-simple	76ms	77ms	46ms	28ms	13ms	11ms	5ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128s-simple	5s	5s	3s	2s	777ms	691ms	289ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128f-simple	896ms	784ms	632ms	179ms	13ms	12ms	6ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128s-simple	57s	51s	46s	12s	826ms	742ms	360ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128f-robust	158ms	159ms	108ms	102ms	22ms	19ms	12ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128s-robust	10s	10s	7s	6s	1s	1s	760ms

Table 7: Runtime measurement results: Digital Signature: Key Generation.

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rzw	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128f-robust	144ms	143ms	85ms	53ms	22ms	19ms	8ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128s-robust	9s	9s	5s	3s	1s	1s	524ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128f-robust	2s	2s	1s	345ms	24ms	22ms	10ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128s-robust	2min	2min	1min	22s	2s	1s	672ms
2	Dilithium2	19ms	18ms	14ms	4ms	<1ms	<1ms	<1ms
2	Dilithium2-AES	5ms	5ms	4ms	2ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
3	Dilithium3	34ms	31ms	25ms	8ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
3	Dilithium3-AES	8ms	8ms	6ms	3ms	1ms	1ms	1ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192f-simple	163ms	164ms	111ms	106ms	19ms	16ms	10ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192s-simple	10s	10s	7s	7s	1s	1s	635ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192f-simple	112ms	113ms	68ms	40ms	18ms	16ms	7ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192s-simple	7s	7s	4s	3s	1s	1s	432ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192f-simple	1s	1s	1s	264ms	19ms	17ms	8ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192s-simple	1min	1min	1min	17s	1s	1s	555ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192f-robust	234ms	239ms	159ms	152ms	32ms	28ms	18ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192s-robust	15s	15s	10s	10s	2s	2s	1s
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192f-robust	202ms	207ms	122ms	77ms	33ms	29ms	12ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192s-robust	13s	13s	8s	5s	2s	2s	786ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192f-robust	3s	2s	2s	510ms	35ms	32ms	15ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192s-robust	3min	2min	2min	32s	2s	2s	1s
5	Dilithium5	59ms	53ms	43ms	13ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
5	Dilithium5-AES	12ms	12ms	9ms	5ms	2ms	2ms	1ms
5	Falcon-1024	3s	2s	1s	597ms	217ms	195ms	114ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256f-simple	431ms	435ms	294ms	282ms	50ms	44ms	27ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256s-simple	7s	8s	5s	5s	794ms	696ms	423ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256f-simple	301ms	295ms	177ms	110ms	47ms	42ms	18ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256s-simple	5s	5s	3s	2s	752ms	675ms	281ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256f-simple	3s	3s	3s	695ms	51ms	46ms	22ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256s-simple	54s	49s	44s	11s	861ms	769ms	369ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256f-robust	644ms	650ms	437ms	405ms	86ms	76ms	47ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256s-robust	10s	10s	7s	6s	1s	1s	748ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256f-robust	593ms	605ms	363ms	239ms	100ms	90ms	38ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256s-robust	9s	10s	6s	4s	2s	1s	610ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256f-robust	7s	6s	5s	1s	95ms	86ms	41ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256s-robust	2min	2min	1min	21s	2s	1s	684ms

Table 8: Runtime measurement results: Digital Signature: Signature Generation.

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rzw	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
1	Falcon-512	96ms	96ms	65ms	57ms	19ms	17ms	11ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128f-simple	3s	3s	2s	2s	322ms	281ms	172ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128s-simple	55s	56s	38s	36s	6s	6s	3s
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128f-simple	2s	2s	1s	691ms	311ms	274ms	115ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128s-simple	37s	38s	23s	14s	6s	5s	2s
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128f-simple	22s	19s	16s	4s	319ms	288ms	140ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128s-simple	7min	6min	6min	1min	6s	6s	3s
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128f-robust	4s	4s	3s	3s	552ms	476ms	299ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128s-robust	1min	1min	55s	52s	11s	10s	6s
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128f-robust	3s	3s	2s	1s	541ms	477ms	202ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128s-robust	1min	1min	40s	25s	11s	9s	4s
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128f-robust	41s	37s	30s	8s	589ms	533ms	257ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128s-robust	14min	12min	10min	3min	11s	10s	5s
2	Dilithium2	45ms	40ms	32ms	12ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
2	Dilithium2-AES	19ms	18ms	13ms	7ms	4ms	3ms	1ms
3	Dilithium3	74ms	65ms	51ms	19ms	2ms	2ms	1ms
3	Dilithium3-AES	28ms	27ms	19ms	11ms	6ms	5ms	2ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192f-simple	5s	5s	3s	3s	544ms	478ms	291ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192s-simple	2min	2min	1min	1min	12s	10s	6s

Table 8: Runtime measurement results: Digital Signature: Signature Generation. (continued)

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rwz	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192f-simple	3s	3s	2s	1s	498ms	446ms	183ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192s-simple	1min	1min	39s	24s	11s	9s	4s
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192f-simple	35s	32s	29s	7s	526ms	476ms	227ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192s-simple	12min	11min	10min	3min	12s	10s	5s
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192f-robust	7s	7s	5s	5s	944ms	821ms	512ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192s-robust	3min	3min	2min	2min	21s	18s	11s
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192f-robust	6s	6s	3s	2s	898ms	788ms	329ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192s-robust	2min	2min	1min	45s	19s	17s	7s
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192f-robust	1min	1min	54s	14s	940ms	848ms	412ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192s-robust	23min	21min	19min	5min	21s	19s	9s
5	Dilithium5	94ms	89ms	67ms	24ms	2ms	2ms	1ms
5	Dilithium5-AES	32ms	32ms	23ms	13ms	7ms	6ms	2ms
5	Falcon-1024	212ms	208ms	143ms	126ms	43ms	36ms	25ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256f-simple	10s	10s	7s	6s	1s	1s	613ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256s-simple	2min	2min	1min	1min	12s	10s	6s
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256f-simple	6s	6s	4s	2s	985ms	873ms	368ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256s-simple	57s	58s	35s	21s	9s	8s	3s
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256f-simple	1min	1min	57s	14s	1s	957ms	457ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256s-simple	11min	10min	9min	2min	10s	9s	4s
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256f-robust	15s	15s	10s	10s	2s	2s	1s
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256s-robust	3min	3min	2min	2min	20s	18s	11s
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256f-robust	12s	13s	8s	5s	2s	2s	795ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256s-robust	2min	2min	1min	46s	20s	17s	7s
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256f-robust	2min	2min	2min	27s	2s	2s	827ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256s-robust	20min	18min	16min	4min	18s	16s	8s

Table 9: Runtime measurement results: Digital Signature: Signature Verification.

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rwz	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
1	Falcon-512	3ms	3ms	2ms	1ms	<1ms	<1ms	<1ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128f-simple	175ms	177ms	121ms	110ms	19ms	17ms	10ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128s-simple	65ms	66ms	45ms	44ms	7ms	6ms	4ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128f-simple	105ms	110ms	63ms	40ms	17ms	15ms	7ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128s-simple	38ms	39ms	24ms	14ms	6ms	5ms	2ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128f-simple	1s	1s	894ms	248ms	18ms	16ms	8ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128s-simple	409ms	371ms	340ms	86ms	6ms	5ms	3ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128f-robust	258ms	258ms	176ms	167ms	34ms	29ms	19ms
1	SPHINCS+-Haraka-128s-robust	103ms	100ms	70ms	66ms	13ms	11ms	7ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128f-robust	208ms	207ms	121ms	78ms	32ms	28ms	12ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHA256-128s-robust	69ms	72ms	43ms	26ms	11ms	10ms	4ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128f-robust	2s	2s	2s	499ms	34ms	30ms	15ms
1	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-128s-robust	851ms	755ms	595ms	170ms	12ms	11ms	5ms
2	Dilithium2	18ms	17ms	13ms	4ms	<1ms	<1ms	<1ms
2	Dilithium2-AES	6ms	6ms	4ms	2ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
3	Dilithium3	32ms	29ms	23ms	7ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
3	Dilithium3-AES	9ms	9ms	7ms	3ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192f-simple	253ms	254ms	176ms	167ms	29ms	25ms	15ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192s-simple	96ms	96ms	65ms	63ms	10ms	9ms	6ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192f-simple	160ms	162ms	96ms	57ms	25ms	23ms	9ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192s-simple	55ms	57ms	32ms	20ms	9ms	8ms	3ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192f-simple	2s	2s	1s	366ms	27ms	24ms	11ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192s-simple	596ms	537ms	493ms	124ms	9ms	9ms	4ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192f-robust	391ms	394ms	268ms	254ms	51ms	44ms	28ms
3	SPHINCS+-Haraka-192s-robust	153ms	155ms	105ms	99ms	19ms	17ms	11ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192f-robust	298ms	307ms	182ms	114ms	49ms	43ms	18ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHA256-192s-robust	102ms	110ms	64ms	41ms	18ms	16ms	6ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192f-robust	4s	3s	3s	717ms	50ms	45ms	22ms
3	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-192s-robust	1s	1s	947ms	239ms	18ms	16ms	8ms

Table 9: Runtime measurement results: Digital Signature: Signature Verification. (continued)

Level	Algorithm	Platforms						
		r1b	r1b+	rzw	r2b	r3b	r3b+	r4b
5	Dilithium5	57ms	51ms	41ms	13ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
5	Dilithium5-AES	14ms	14ms	10ms	5ms	2ms	2ms	1ms
5	Falcon-1024	5ms	5ms	4ms	2ms	1ms	1ms	<1ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256f-simple	273ms	274ms	188ms	181ms	31ms	27ms	16ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256s-simple	149ms	151ms	102ms	98ms	16ms	14ms	9ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256f-simple	162ms	159ms	96ms	60ms	25ms	23ms	9ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256s-simple	80ms	83ms	49ms	30ms	12ms	11ms	5ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256f-simple	2s	2s	1s	372ms	28ms	25ms	12ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256s-simple	870ms	801ms	733ms	183ms	15ms	13ms	6ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256f-robust	425ms	430ms	293ms	269ms	55ms	48ms	29ms
5	SPHINCS+-Haraka-256s-robust	233ms	237ms	159ms	150ms	29ms	26ms	16ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256f-robust	340ms	345ms	204ms	141ms	58ms	52ms	22ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHA256-256s-robust	175ms	177ms	110ms	69ms	30ms	26ms	11ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256f-robust	4s	3s	3s	742ms	53ms	47ms	22ms
5	SPHINCS+-SHAKE256-256s-robust	2s	2s	1s	365ms	26ms	24ms	11ms

