

Post-Quantum Static-Static Key Agreement Using Multiple Protocol Instances

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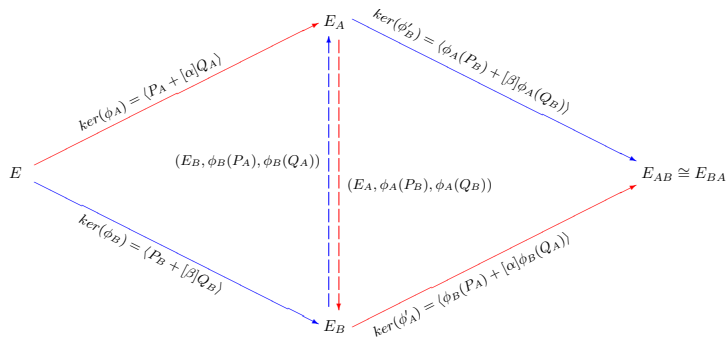


Figure: SIDH Key Agreement

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- This suggests that static keys can not be used for SIDH.

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- When Bob acts dishonestly, this oracle may leak some information about Alice's secret key s_A . Our work will present such leakage.

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Theorem

Let **KeyAgree** be a key agreement protocol using **KeyEst** in which it is computationally infeasible to create a malicious public key. Let p_B^* be a modified public key that passes all validity tests of **KeyAgree** and may leak information about private keys.

Suppose that in k -**KeyAgree** one of the k parts to Bob's public key is p_B^* . Associated to the equation $\text{Oracle}_{\text{KeyAgree}}(p_B^*, \cdot) = 1$ is a probability distribution among all dishonest shared secrets. Let ρ denote the largest such probability.

Then for all choices of K_B^* for k – **KeyAgree** the equation $\text{Oracle}_{k\text{-KeyAgree}}(p_B^*, K_B^*) = 1$ holds with probability bounded above by ρ^{k-1} .

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