

Implementing Approximate Voronoi Cells for Solving CVP in Lattices with Low Dimensions

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Lattice-based cryptography has its security based on a computationally hard problem called "closest vector problem". The closest vector problem is, given a lattice \mathcal{L} and a target point t , find a point $v \in \mathcal{L}$, that is the closest point to t . This project focuses on implementing *approximate Voronoi cells* [1] [2] to solve the CVP within lower dimensions.

The implementation will be based on papers on lattice cryptanalysis and they will be cited in the final report. By comparing exact and approximate Voronoi cells, it can be seen that even though both are hard to compute, the latter one is much easier in both time and space. The exact variant takes $\mathcal{O}(2^{2d})$ time and $\mathcal{O}(2^d)$ space [3] whereas the approximate variant takes about $\mathcal{O}(2^{td})$ time and $\mathcal{O}(2^{sd})$ space where $t, s < 1$ [1]. While both approaches become impractical to compute in higher dimensions, the approximate variants provide a wider range for the computable dimensions.

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