

A Case for Adopting Property-based Testing in Cryptographic Software Libraries

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What to test in crypto. software?

- Functioning as expected? Edge cases?
- Conforming to standard / spec.?
- Constant-time?
- Zeroize internal buffers with secrets?

Are there any gaps?

- How to ensure that we are actually covering all the edge cases?
- Many non-standard crypto. proposal comes with almost no test vectors. How to ensure conformance?

```

276 #[test]
277 fn kats() {
278     let poseidon2 = Poseidon2::new(&POSEIDON2_GOLDILOCKS_12_PARAMS);
279     let mut input: Vec<Scalar> = vec![];
280     for i in 0..poseidon2.params.t {
281         input.push(Scalar::from(i as u64));
282     }
283     let perm = poseidon2.permutation(&input);
284     assert_eq!(perm[0], from_hex("0x01eae96bdf1c0c1"));
285     assert_eq!(perm[1], from_hex("0x1f0d2cc525b2540c"));
286     assert_eq!(perm[2], from_hex("0x6282c1dfe1e0358d"));
287     assert_eq!(perm[3], from_hex("0xe780d721f698e1e6"));
288     assert_eq!(perm[4], from_hex("0x280c0b6f753d833b"));
289     assert_eq!(perm[5], from_hex("0x1b942dd5023156ab"));
290     assert_eq!(perm[6], from_hex("0x43f0df3fccc8398"));
291     assert_eq!(perm[7], from_hex("0xe8e8190585489025"));
292     assert_eq!(perm[8], from_hex("0x56bdbbf72f77ada22"));
293     assert_eq!(perm[9], from_hex("0x7911c32bf9dcd705"));
294     assert_eq!(perm[10], from_hex("0xec467926508f8e67"));
295     assert_eq!(perm[11], from_hex("0xa50450dddf85a6ed"));
296 }
297 }

```

Most commonly seen number of KATs = 1

4. Test vectors

Test vectors are based on the repetition of the pattern '00 01 ... FA' with a specific length. ptn(n) defines a string by repeating the pattern '00 01 ... FA' as many times as necessary and truncated to n bytes e.g.

```

Pattern for a length of 17 bytes:
ptn(17) =
00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F 10

```

```

Pattern for a length of 17**2 bytes:
ptn(17**2) =
00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 1A 1B 1C 1D 1E 1F
20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 2A 2B 2C 2D 2E 2F
30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 3A 3B 3C 3D 3E 3F
40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 4A 4B 4C 4D 4E 4F
50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 5A 5B 5C 5D 5E 5F
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 6A 6B 6C 6D 6E 6F
70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 7A 7B 7C 7D 7E 7F
80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 8A 8B 8C 8D 8E 8F
90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 9A 9B 9C 9D 9E 9F
A0 A1 A2 A3 A4 A5 A6 A7 A8 A9 AA AB AC AD AE AF
B0 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 B7 B8 B9 BA BB BC BD BE BF
C0 C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8 C9 CA CB CC CD CE CF
D0 D1 D2 D3 D4 D5 D6 D7 D8 D9 DA DB DC DD DE DF
E0 E1 E2 E3 E4 E5 E6 E7 E8 E9 EA EB EC ED EE EF
F0 F1 F2 F3 F4 F5 F6 F7 F8 F9 FA
00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 1A 1B 1C 1D 1E 1F
20 21 22 23 24 25

```

```

TurboSHAKE128(M="00"*0, D="07", 32):
5A 22 3A D3 08 3B 8C 66 A2 43 04 8C FC ED 43 0F
54 E7 52 92 87 D1 51 50 89 73 13 3A DF AC 6A 2F

```

```

TurboSHAKE128(M="00"*0, D="07", 64):
5A 22 3A D3 08 3B 8C 66 A2 43 04 8C FC ED 43 0F
54 E7 52 92 87 D1 51 50 89 73 13 3A DF AC 6A 2F
FE 27 08 E7 30 61 E0 9A 40 00 10 08 A9 C8 CA 18
13 19 8F 78 BE D4 98 48 41 85 F2 C2 58 0E E6 23

```

```

TurboSHAKE128(M="00"*0, D="07", 10092), last 32 bytes:
75 93 A2 80 20 A3 C4 AE 80 60 5F D6 1F 5E 85 6E
CC D2 7C C3 D1 2F F0 9F 78 36 97 72 A4 60 C5 5D

```

```

TurboSHAKE128(M=ptn(1 bytes), D="07", 32):
1A C2 D4 50 FC 38 42 05 D1 9D A7 BF CA 18 37 51
3C 08 03 57 7A C7 16 7F 06 FE 2C E1 F0 EF 39 E5

```

```

TurboSHAKE128(M=ptn(17 bytes), D="07", 32):
AC 8D 4A A5 75 07 04 38 CE E5 5A D3 F4 85 04 D8
15 E7 07 FE 82 EE 3D AD 60 58 52 C8 92 08 90 5E

```

```

TurboSHAKE128(M=ptn(17**2 bytes), D="07", 32):
7A 4D E8 B1 D9 27 A6 82 B9 29 61 01 03 F0 E9 64
55 9B D7 45 42 CF AD 74 0E E3 D9 B0 36 46 9E 0A

```

```

TurboSHAKE128(M=ptn(17**3 bytes), D="07", 32):
74 52 ED 0E D8 60 AA 8F E8 E7 96 99 EC E3 24 F8
D9 32 71 46 36 10 DA 76 80 1E BC EE 4F CA FE 42

```

```

TurboSHAKE128(M=ptn(17**4 bytes), D="07", 32):
CA 5F 1F 3E EA C9 92 CD C2 AB EB CA 0E 21 67 65
DB F7 79 C3 C1 09 46 05 5A 94 AB 32 72 57 35 22

```

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Rare to find well crafted KATs

What can we do?

- Adopt **property-based testing (PBT)**.
- Random samples inputs, flips random bits and asserts if high-level invariants still hold.
- Better probabilistic guarantees than unit-testing+small set of KATs.
- Not as extensive or costly as fuzzing. Test run finishes faster.

PBT = Pseudo-Randomness + Repeated Property Checks

Testing AEAD

The most common pattern seen.

A fixed key, nonce, plaintext and associated data.

Replicate couple of times. And cover edges. Block length boundary.

```
90
91 const KEY: &[u8; 32] = &[
92     0x80, 0x81, 0x82, 0x83, 0x84, 0x85, 0x86, 0x87, 0x88, 0x89, 0x8a, 0x8b, 0x8c, 0x8d, 0x8e, 0x8f,
93     0x90, 0x91, 0x92, 0x93, 0x94, 0x95, 0x96, 0x97, 0x98, 0x99, 0x9a, 0x9b, 0x9c, 0x9d, 0x9e, 0x9f,
94 ];
95
96 const AAD: &[u8; 12] = &[
97     0x50, 0x51, 0x52, 0x53, 0xc0, 0xc1, 0xc2, 0xc3, 0xc4, 0xc5, 0xc6, 0xc7,
98 ];
99
100 const PLAINTEXT: &[u8] = b"Ladies and Gentlemen of the class of '99: \
101     If I could offer you only one tip for the future, sunscreen would be it.";
102
103 /// ChaCha20Poly1305 test vectors.
104 ///
105 /// From RFC 8439 Section 2.8.2:
106 /// <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc8439#section-2.8.2>
107 mod chacha20 {
108     use super::{AAD, KEY, PLAINTEXT};
109     use chacha20poly1305::ChaCha20Poly1305;
110     use chacha20poly1305::aad::array::Array;
111     use chacha20poly1305::aad::{Aead, KeyInit, Payload};
112
113     const NONCE: &[u8; 12] = &[
114         0x07, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x40, 0x41, 0x42, 0x43, 0x44, 0x45, 0x46, 0x47,
115     ];
116
117     const CIPHERTEXT: &[u8] = &[
118         0xd3, 0x1a, 0x8d, 0x34, 0x64, 0x8e, 0x60, 0xdb, 0x7b, 0x86, 0xaf, 0xbc, 0x53, 0xef, 0x7e,
119         0xc2, 0xa4, 0xad, 0xed, 0x51, 0x29, 0x6e, 0x08, 0xfe, 0xa9, 0xe2, 0xb5, 0xa7, 0x36, 0xee,
120         0x62, 0xd6, 0x3d, 0xbe, 0xa4, 0x5e, 0x8c, 0xa9, 0x67, 0x12, 0x82, 0xfa, 0xfb, 0x69, 0xda,
121         0x92, 0x72, 0x8b, 0x1a, 0x71, 0xde, 0x0a, 0x9e, 0x06, 0x0b, 0x29, 0x05, 0xd6, 0xa5, 0xb6,
122         0x7e, 0xcd, 0x3b, 0x36, 0x92, 0xdd, 0xbd, 0x7f, 0x2d, 0x77, 0x8b, 0x8c, 0x98, 0x03, 0xae,
123         0xe3, 0x28, 0x09, 0x1b, 0x58, 0xfa, 0xb3, 0x24, 0xe4, 0xfa, 0xd6, 0x75, 0x94, 0x55, 0x85,
124         0x80, 0x8b, 0x48, 0x31, 0xd7, 0xbc, 0x3f, 0xf4, 0xde, 0xf0, 0x8e, 0x4b, 0x7a, 0x9d, 0xe5,
125         0x76, 0xd2, 0x65, 0x86, 0xce, 0xc6, 0x4b, 0x61, 0x16,
126     ];
127
128     const TAG: &[u8] = &[
129         0x1a, 0xe1, 0x0b, 0x59, 0x4f, 0x09, 0xe2, 0x6a, 0x7e, 0x90, 0x2e, 0xcb, 0xd0, 0x60, 0x06,
130         0x91,
131     ];
132
133     impl_tests!(
134         ChaCha20Poly1305,
135         KEY,
136         NONCE,
137         AAD,
138         PLAINTEXT,
139         CIPHERTEXT,
140         TAG
141     );
142
143     #[test]
144     fn clone_impl() {
145         let _ = ChaCha20Poly1305::new(KEY.into()).clone();
146     }
147 }
```

PBT: AEAD Edition

Random sample
key, nonce,
associated data
and plaintext

1

Random bit-flip

2

Assert decryption
failure+zeroize
decipheredtext
buffer

3

```
anjan@linux:~/Documents/my_work/ascon

75
76 static void
77 test_decryption_failure_for_ascon_aead128(const size_t associated_data_len, const size_t plaintext_len, const aead_mutation_kind_t mutation_kind)
78 {
79     EXPECT_GT(associated_data_len, 0);
80     EXPECT_GT(plaintext_len, 0);
81
82     std::array<uint8_t, ascon_aead128::KEY_BYTE_LEN> key{};
83     std::array<uint8_t, ascon_aead128::NONCE_BYTE_LEN> nonce{};
84     std::array<uint8_t, ascon_aead128::TAG_BYTE_LEN> tag{};
85     std::vector<uint8_t> associated_data(associated_data_len, 0);
86     std::vector<uint8_t> plaintext(plaintext_len, 0);
87     std::vector<uint8_t> ciphertext(plaintext_len, 0);
88     std::vector<uint8_t> decipheredtext(plaintext_len, 0xff);
89
90     generate_random_data<uint8_t>(key);
91     generate_random_data<uint8_t>(nonce);
92     generate_random_data<uint8_t>(associated_data);
93     generate_random_data<uint8_t>(plaintext);
94
95     ascon_aead128::encrypt(key, nonce, associated_data, plaintext, ciphertext, tag);
96
97     switch (mutation_kind) {
98     case aead_mutation_kind_t::mutate_key:
99         do_bitflip(key);
100         break;
101     case aead_mutation_kind_t::mutate_nonce:
102         do_bitflip(nonce);
103         break;
104     case aead_mutation_kind_t::mutate_tag:
105         do_bitflip(tag);
106         break;
107     case aead_mutation_kind_t::mutate_associated_data:
108         do_bitflip(associated_data);
109         break;
110     case aead_mutation_kind_t::mutate_cipher_text:
111         do_bitflip(ciphertext);
112         break;
113     default:
114         EXPECT_TRUE(false);
115     }
116
117     const auto is_decrypted = ascon_aead128::decrypt(key, nonce, associated_data, ciphertext, decipheredtext, tag);
118     EXPECT_FALSE(is_decrypted);
119
120     std::vector<uint8_t> zeros(plaintext_len, 0);
121     EXPECT_EQ(decipheredtext, zeros);
122 }
123
```


Testing Hash Fn.

```
630 test "SHAKE-128 single" {
631     var out: [10]u8 = undefined;
632     Shake128.hash("hello123", &out, .{});
633     try htest.assertEqual("1b85861510bc4d8e467d", &out);
634 }
635
636 test "SHAKE-128 multisqueeze" {
637     var out: [10]u8 = undefined;
638     var h = Shake128.init(.{});
639     h.update("hello123");
640     h.squeeze(out[0..4]);
641     h.squeeze(out[4..]);
642     try htest.assertEqual("1b85861510bc4d8e467d", &out);
643 }
644
645 test "SHAKE-128 multisqueeze with multiple blocks" {
646     var out: [100]u8 = undefined;
647     var out2: [100]u8 = undefined;
648
649     var h = Shake128.init(.{});
650     h.update("hello123");
651     h.squeeze(out[0..50]);
652     h.squeeze(out[50..]);
653
654     var h2 = Shake128.init(.{});
655     h2.update("hello123");
656     h2.squeeze(&out2);
657     try std.testing.expectEqualSlices(u8, &out, &out2);
658 }
```

PBT: Hash Edition

Absorb all
input at once

1

Incremental
randomized
absorption, by
building look-
ahead buffer

2

Assert
digest
equality

3

```
anjan@linux:~/Documents/my_work/ascon
43
44 TEST(AsconHash256, ForSameMessageOneshotHashingAndIncrementalHashingProducesSameDigest)
45 {
46     for (size_t msg_byte_len = MIN_MSG_LEN; msg_byte_len <= MAX_MSG_LEN; msg_byte_len++) {
47         std::array<uint8_t, ascon_hash256::DIGEST_BYTE_LEN> digest_oneshot{};
48         std::array<uint8_t, ascon_hash256::DIGEST_BYTE_LEN> digest_multishot{};
49
50         digest_oneshot.fill(0x5f);
51         digest_oneshot.fill(0x3f);
52
53         std::vector<uint8_t> msg(msg_byte_len);
54         auto msg_span = std::span(msg);
55
56         generate_random_data<uint8_t>(msg_span);
57
58         // Oneshot hashing
59         {
60             ascon_hash256::ascon_hash256_t hasher;
61
62             EXPECT_TRUE(hasher.absorb(msg_span));
63             EXPECT_TRUE(hasher.finalize());
64             EXPECT_TRUE(hasher.digest(digest_oneshot));
65         }
66
67         // Incremental hashing
68         {
69             ascon_hash256::ascon_hash256_t hasher;
70
71             size_t msg_offset = 0;
72             while (msg_offset < msg_byte_len) {
73                 // Because we don't want to be stuck in an infinite loop if msg[msg_offset] = 0
74                 const auto elen = std::min<size_t>(std::max<uint8_t>(msg[msg_offset], 1), msg_byte_len - msg_offset);
75
76                 EXPECT_TRUE(hasher.absorb(msg_span.subspan(msg_offset, elen)));
77                 msg_offset += elen;
78             }
79
80             EXPECT_TRUE(hasher.finalize());
81             EXPECT_TRUE(hasher.digest(digest_multishot));
82         }
83
84         EXPECT_EQ(digest_oneshot, digest_multishot);
85     }
86 }
```

(END)

PBT: XOF Edition

Absorb all input at once, then squeeze it all out in a single go.

1

Absorb input in pseudo-random order. Depends on message bytes itself.

2

Squeeze output in pseudo-random order. Depends on output bytes itself.

3

```
anjan@linux:~/Documents/my_work/ascon
44
45 TEST(AsconXof128, ForSameMessageOneshotHashingAndIncrementalHashingProducesSameOutput)
46 {
47     for (size_t msg_byte_len = MIN_MSG_LEN; msg_byte_len <= MAX_MSG_LEN; msg_byte_len++) {
48         for (size_t output_byte_len = MIN_OUT_LEN; output_byte_len <= MAX_OUT_LEN; output_byte_len++) {
49             std::vector<uint8_t> msg(msg_byte_len);
50             std::vector<uint8_t> digest_oneshot(output_byte_len, 0x5f);
51             std::vector<uint8_t> digest_multishot(output_byte_len, 0x3f);
52
53             auto msg_span = std::span(msg);
54             auto digest_oneshot_span = std::span(digest_oneshot);
55             auto digest_multishot_span = std::span(digest_multishot);
56
57             generate_random_data(msg_span);
58
59             // Oneshot hashing
60             {
61                 ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_t hasher;
62
63                 EXPECT_EQ(hasher.absorb(msg_span), ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_status_t::absorbed_data);
64                 EXPECT_EQ(hasher.finalize(), ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_status_t::finalized_data_absorption_phase);
65                 EXPECT_EQ(hasher.squeeze(digest_oneshot_span), ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_status_t::squeezed_output);
66             }
67
68             // Incremental hashing
69             {
70                 ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_t hasher;
71
72                 size_t msg_offset = 0;
73                 while (msg_offset < msg_byte_len) {
74                     // Because we don't want to be stuck in an infinite loop if msg[offset] = 0
75                     const auto elen = std::min<size_t>(std::max<uint8_t>(msg_span[msg_offset], 1), msg_byte_len - msg_offset);
76
77                     EXPECT_EQ(hasher.absorb(msg_span.subspan(msg_offset, elen)), ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_status_t::absorbed_data);
78                     msg_offset += elen;
79                 }
80
81                 EXPECT_EQ(hasher.finalize(), ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_status_t::finalized_data_absorption_phase);
82
83                 // Squeeze message bytes in many iterations
84                 size_t output_offset = 0;
85                 while (output_offset < output_byte_len) {
86                     EXPECT_EQ(hasher.squeeze(digest_multishot_span.subspan(output_offset, 1)), ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_status_t::squeezed_output);
87
88                     auto elen = std::min<size_t>(digest_multishot_span[output_offset], output_byte_len - (output_offset + 1));
89
90                     output_offset += 1;
91                     EXPECT_EQ(hasher.squeeze(digest_multishot_span.subspan(output_offset, elen)), ascon_xof128::ascon_xof128_status_t::squeezed_output);
92                     output_offset += elen;
93                 }
94             }
95
96             EXPECT_EQ(digest_oneshot, digest_multishot);
97         }
98     }
99 }
100
```

Testing ML-KEM

- 1) Generate keypair from seed.
- 2) Encapsulate, get ciphertext and sharedSecret.
- 3) Decapsulate, get back sharedSecret'.
- 4) Assert sharedSecret = sharedSecret'.

```
1699
1700     test "Test happy flow" {
1701         var seed: [64]u8 = undefined;
1702         for (&seed, 0..) |*s, i| {
1703             s.* = @as(u8, @intCast(i));
1704         }
1705         inline for (modes) |mode| {
1706             for (0..10) |i| {
1707                 seed[0] = @as(u8, @intCast(i));
1708                 const kp = try mode.KeyPair.generateDeterministic(seed);
1709                 const sk = try mode.SecretKey.fromBytes(&kp.secret_key.toBytes());
1710                 try testing.expectEqual(sk, kp.secret_key);
1711                 const pk = try mode.PublicKey.fromBytes(&kp.public_key.toBytes());
1712                 try testing.expectEqual(pk, kp.public_key);
1713                 for (0..10) |j| {
1714                     seed[1] = @as(u8, @intCast(j));
1715                     const e = pk.encaps(seed[0..32].*);
1716                     try testing.expectEqual(e.shared_secret, try sk.decaps(&e.ciphertext));
1717                 }
1718             }
1719         }
1720     }
```

PBT: ML-KEM Edition (1)

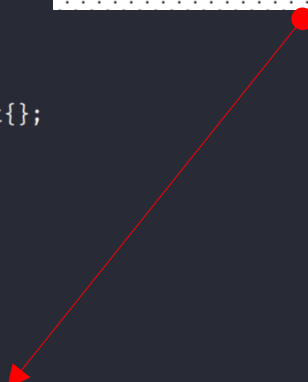


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```
41 // For ML-KEM-768
42 //
43 //
44 // - Generate a valid keypair.
45 // - Malform public key s.t. last coefficient of polynomial vector is not properly reduced.
46 // - Attempt to encapsulate using malformed public key. It must fail.
47 TEST(ML_KEM, ML_KEM_768_EncapsFailureDueToNonReducedPubKey)
48 {
49     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SEED_D_BYTE_LEN> seed_d{};
50     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SEED_Z_BYTE_LEN> seed_z{};
51     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SEED_M_BYTE_LEN> seed_m{};
52
53     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::PKEY_BYTE_LEN> pubkey{};
54     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SKEY_BYTE_LEN> seckey{};
55     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::CIPHER_TEXT_BYTE_LEN> cipher{};
56
57     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SHARED_SECRET_BYTE_LEN> shared_secret{};
58
59     randomshake::randomshake_t<192> csprng{};
60     csprng.generate(seed_d);
61     csprng.generate(seed_z);
62     csprng.generate(seed_m);
63
64     ml_kem_768::keygen(seed_d, seed_z, pubkey, seckey);
65
66     make_malformed_pubkey<pubkey.size()>(pubkey);
67     const auto is_encapsulated = ml_kem_768::encapsulate(seed_m, pubkey, cipher, shared_secret);
68
69     EXPECT_FALSE(is_encapsulated);
70 }
71
```

Malform public key, assert encaps failing



PBT: ML-KEM Edition (2)

```

71
72 // For ML-KEM-768
73 //
74 // - Generate a valid keypair.
75 // - Encapsulate using public key, generate shared secret, at sender's side.
76 // - Cause a random bitflip in cipher text, at receiver's side.
77 // - Attempt to decapsulate bit-flipped cipher text, using valid secret key. Must fail *implicitly*.
78 // - Shared secret of sender and receiver must not match.
79 // - Shared secret at receiver's end must match `seed_z`, which is last 32 -bytes of secret key.
80 TEST(ML_KEM, ML_KEM_768_DecapsFailureDueToBitFlippedCipherText)
81 {
82     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SEED_D_BYTE_LEN> seed_d{};
83     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SEED_Z_BYTE_LEN> seed_z{};
84     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SEED_M_BYTE_LEN> seed_m{};
85
86     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::PKEY_BYTE_LEN> pubkey{};
87     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SKEY_BYTE_LEN> seckey{};
88     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::CIPHER_TEXT_BYTE_LEN> cipher{};
89
90     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SHARED_SECRET_BYTE_LEN> shared_secret_sender{};
91     std::array<uint8_t, ml_kem_768::SHARED_SECRET_BYTE_LEN> shared_secret_receiver{};
92
93     randomshake::randomshake_t<192> csprng{};
94     csprng.generate(seed_d);
95     csprng.generate(seed_z);
96     csprng.generate(seed_m);
97
98     ml_kem_768::keygen(seed_d, seed_z, pubkey, seckey);
99     const auto is_encapsulated = ml_kem_768::encapsulate(seed_m, pubkey, cipher, shared_secret_sender);
100
101     random_bitflip_in_cipher_text<cipher.size()>(cipher, csprng);
102     ml_kem_768::decapsulate(seckey, cipher, shared_secret_receiver);
103
104     EXPECT_TRUE(is_encapsulated);
105     EXPECT_NE(shared_secret_sender, shared_secret_receiver);
106     EXPECT_EQ(shared_secret_receiver, seed_z);
107     EXPECT_TRUE(std::equal(shared_secret_receiver.begin(), shared_secret_receiver.end(), std::span(seckey).last<32>().begin()));
108 }

```

Random
bit-flip
ciphertext

Assert diff.
shared-
secret at
two ends

(END)

Testing Galois Field Arithmetic

Part (1)

- 1) Test with additive or multiplicative identity.
- 2) Test with result overflowing.

```
54  #[test]
55  ✓ fn mul() {
56      // identity
57      let r: BaseElement = rand_value();
58      assert_eq!(BaseElement::ZERO, r * BaseElement::ZERO);
59      assert_eq!(r, r * BaseElement::ONE);
60
61      // test multiplication within bounds
62      assert_eq!(BaseElement::from(15u8), BaseElement::from(5u8) * BaseElement::from(3u8));
63
64      // test overflow
65      let m = BaseElement::MODULUS;
66      let t = BaseElement::new(m - 1);
67      assert_eq!(BaseElement::ONE, t * t);
68      assert_eq!(BaseElement::new(m - 2), t * BaseElement::from(2u8));
69      assert_eq!(BaseElement::new(m - 4), t * BaseElement::from(4u8));
70
71      #[allow(clippy::manual_div_ceil)]
72      let t = (m + 1) / 2;
73      assert_eq!(BaseElement::ONE, BaseElement::new(t) * BaseElement::from(2u8));
74  }
```

Testing Galois Field Arithmetic

Part (2)

- 1) Test with additive or multiplicative identity.
- 2) Direct exponentiate vs. Exponentiate by repeated mult.

```
87  #[test]
88  ✓ fn exp() {
89      let a = BaseElement::ZERO;
90      assert_eq!(a.exp(0), BaseElement::ONE);
91      assert_eq!(a.exp(1), BaseElement::ZERO);
92      assert_eq!(a.exp(7), BaseElement::ZERO);
93
94      let a = BaseElement::ONE;
95      assert_eq!(a.exp(0), BaseElement::ONE);
96      assert_eq!(a.exp(1), BaseElement::ONE);
97      assert_eq!(a.exp(3), BaseElement::ONE);
98      assert_eq!(a.exp(7), BaseElement::ONE);
99
100     let a: BaseElement = rand_value();
101     assert_eq!(a.exp(3), a * a * a);
102     assert_eq!(a.exp(7), a.exp7());
103 }
```


PBT: GF Edition

Random sample a pair of GF elems

Assert: round-trip testing for $+$, $-$

Assert: round-trip testing for $\times$, $/$

Metamorphism

```
anjan@linux:~/Documents/my_work/ml-kem

File: tests/test_field.cpp

1  #include "ml_kem/internals/math/field.hpp"
2  #include "randomshake/randomshake.hpp"
3  #include <gtest/gtest.h>
4
5  // Test functional correctness of ML-KEM prime field operations, by running through multiple rounds
6  // of execution of field operations on randomly sampled field elements.
7  TEST(ML_KEM, ArithmeticOverZq)
8  {
9      constexpr size_t ITERATION_COUNT = 1ul << 20;
10
11     randomshake::randomshake_t<128> csprng{};
12
13     for (size_t i = 0; i < ITERATION_COUNT; i++) {
14         const auto a = ml_kem_field::zq_t::random(csprng);
15         const auto b = ml_kem_field::zq_t::random(csprng);
16
17         // Addition, Subtraction and Negation
18         const auto c = a + b;
19         const auto d = c - b;
20         const auto e = c - a;
21
22         EXPECT_EQ(d, a);
23         EXPECT_EQ(e, b);
24
25         // Multiplication, Exponentiation, Inversion and Division
26         const auto f = a * b;
27         const auto g = f / b;
28         const auto h = f / a;
29
30         if (b != ml_kem_field::zq_t::zero()) {
31             EXPECT_EQ(g, a);
32         } else {
33             EXPECT_EQ(g, ml_kem_field::zq_t());
34         }
35
36         if (a != ml_kem_field::zq_t::zero()) {
37             EXPECT_EQ(h, b);
38         } else {
39             EXPECT_EQ(h, ml_kem_field::zq_t());
40         }
41     }
42 }
```

```
ml-kem on  ml-kem-b [?]
>
```

Any libraries to take up PBT boilerplate?

- `proptest` and `quickcheck` for Rust.
- `hypothesis` for Python.
- `rapidcheck` for C++. It's `quickcheck` clone.
- Roll your own minimal PBT infra, in your favourite language.

Easy PBT in Python, using hypothesis



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```
37
38 + from hypothesis import given, strategies as st, settings, assume, HealthCheck
39
40 @given(
41     msg_a=st.binary(min_size=MIN_MSG_BYTE_LEN, max_size=MAX_MSG_BYTE_LEN),
42     msg_b=st.binary(min_size=MIN_MSG_BYTE_LEN, max_size=MAX_MSG_BYTE_LEN),
43     eval_at=st.integers(min_value=1, max_value=gfp.GFP.order - 1),
44 )
45 @settings(max_examples=10_000, derandomize=False, deadline=None, suppress_health_check=[HealthCheck.filter_too_much])
46 def test_additive_homomorphism_of_poly_eval_hash(msg_a: bytes, msg_b: bytes, eval_at: int):
47     assume(len(msg_a) == len(msg_b))
48
49     hash_a = ph.poly_eval_hash(msg_a, eval_at)
50     hash_b = ph.poly_eval_hash(msg_b, eval_at)
51
52     msg_ab = add_two_messages(msg_a, msg_b)
53     expected_hash_ab = add_two_messages(hash_a, hash_b)
54
55     computed_hash_ab = ph.poly_eval_hash(msg_ab, eval_at)
56     assert expected_hash_ab == computed_hash_ab
57
58 :
```

Thank you for your time and attention.