

Title: Overview of Post-Quantum Hash-Based Signature Schemes

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Abstract:

In this talk, I will overview post-quantum hash-based signature schemes in the recently announced CNSA Suite 2.0 for firmware and software signing. These schemes are stateful, meaning that the signer must maintain a state, and proper state management is required for security. I will also overview SPHINCS+, a stateless post-quantum hash-based signature scheme recently recommended for standardization by NIST that extends the previous schemes.

Bio:

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