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Or at least “multivariate”

As to the lattice thing, lattice vs. code is a somewhat dumb way to look at it. It would arguably be better broken down into

Randomized coding, which would encompass all the LWE/NTRU schemes plus Lepton, Ramstake, Mersenne plus BIKE, QC-MDPC, HQC

Vs algebraic heuristic coding which would encompass the rest of the schemes we have as “coding” currently.

And then maybe put Odd Manhattan and DRS in “other”

But whatever

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What’s “really a lattice” anyway?

There’s no actual lattices created in any of the schemes as instantiated AFAIK with the (possible) exception of Odd Manhattan and/or DRS.

Giophantus should be MQ I thought ...

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I was checking our classification. I found some I had a question about:

Giophantus – we call it code-based. I think maybe it should be other?

Lepton – we call it Lattice, but I think it should be codes

Ramstake – we call it lattice. Should it be codes?

Mersenne – we call it lattice. It seems not really a lattice. Other?

Dustin