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Point counting algorithms on hyperelliptic curves

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I. Introduction and motivations

Goal: build an effective group of cryptographic strength, resisting all known attacks.

Dream: find **Nechaev** groups G , in which the best attack will be $O(\sqrt{\#G})$ (existence?)

Best groups so far: hyperelliptic curves of genus g , with size $\approx q^g$ over some finite field \mathbb{F}_q . Typical size $q^g \approx 2^{160-200} \approx 10^{50-60}$.

- ▶ Miller, Koblitz (1986): elliptic curves are suggested for use, following the breakthrough of Lenstra in integer factorization (1985).
- ▶ Koblitz (1988): hyperelliptic cryptosystems.

In this series of talks

- ▶ Put the emphasis on elliptic curves, but take a more general view from time to time; $g > 1$ is the **next case**; sometimes, hec's yield info on ec's.
- ▶ Consider **any base field**, with some preference for large prime fields, or \mathbb{F}_{2^n} ; few places where it really matters.

General overview of the lectures

- I. Point counting algorithms: basic approaches.
- II. Point counting algorithms: elaborate methods.

Bibliography and links

- ▶ *A course in algorithmic algebraic number theory* (Cohen);
- ▶ *The arithmetic of elliptic curves* (Silverman);
- ▶ *Elliptic curve public key cryptosystems* (Menezes);
- ▶ *Elliptic curves in cryptography* (Blake, Seroussi, Smart);
- ▶ *Advances in Elliptic curves in cryptography* (Blake, Seroussi, Smart);
- ▶ *Handbook of Elliptic and Hyperelliptic Curve Cryptography* (Cohen, Frey);
- ▶ *Algebraic aspects of cryptography* (Koblitz, appendix on hec by Menezes, Wu, Zuccherato).

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Plan

- I. Elements of theory.
- II. Particular curves.
- III. Generic methods.
- IV. Schoof's algorithm.

I. Elements of theory

Let C be a plane smooth projective curve of genus g with equation $F(X, Y) = 0$ with coefficients in \mathbb{K} , $\text{char}(\mathbb{K}) = p$.

Conic: (genus 0) $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.

Elliptic curve: (genus 1) $y^2 = x^3 + x + 1$.

Hyperelliptic curve: (genus g) $y^2 = x^{2g+1} + \dots$ (or in some cases $y^2 = x^{2g+2} + \dots$).

Rem. To simplify things, we assume that C is “at most” hyperelliptic (no C_{ab} or $X_0(N)$).

Def. $C(\mathbb{K}) = \{P = (x, y) \in \mathbb{K}^2, F(x, y) = 0\}$.

Thm. When $g \leq 1$, there is a group law on $C(\mathbb{K})$. When $g > 1$, there is a group law on the **jacobian** of the curve.

Elliptic curves

$$E : Y^2 + a_1XY + a_3Y = X^3 + a_2X^2 + a_4X + a_6$$

$$b_2 = a_1^2 + 4a_2, b_4 = 2a_4 + a_1a_3, b_6 = a_3^2 + 4a_6,$$

$$b_8 = a_1^2a_6 + 4a_2a_6 - a_1a_3a_4 + a_2a_3^2 - a_4^2,$$

$$c_4 = b_2^2 - 24b_4, c_6 = b_2^3 + 36b_2b_4 - 216b_6,$$

$$\Delta = -b_2^2b_8 - 8b_4^3 - 27b_6^2 + 9b_2b_4b_6 \neq 0$$

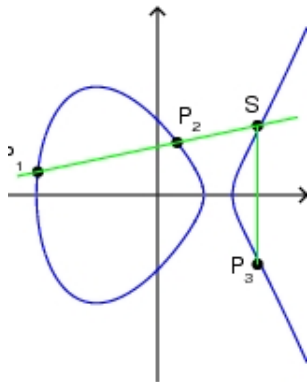
$$j(E) = \frac{c_4^3}{\Delta}$$

When $p = 2$: $Y^2 + XY = X^3 + a_2X^2 + a_6, j = 1/a_6$.

When $p > 3$: $Y^2 = X^3 + AX + B, \Delta = -16(4A^3 + 27B^2)$.

$E(\mathbb{K})$, tangent-and-chord (\oplus, O_E), multiplication by n noted $[n]P$.

Group law



$$P_3 = P_1 \oplus P_2$$

$$[k]P = \underbrace{P \oplus \cdots \oplus P}_{k \text{ times}}$$

Hyperelliptic curves

$$y^2 + h(x)y = f(x) = x^{2g+1} + \dots$$

IMPORTANT WARNING:

For almost all topics (properties, algorithms, etc.),
 $g > 1$ is exponentially more difficult than $g = 1$.

Representing $\text{Jac}(C)$

1. Mumford: An element (= a divisor) of $\text{Jac}(C)$ is

$$D = \langle u(z), v(z) \rangle, \quad \deg(u) \leq g, \quad \deg(v) < \deg(u),$$

defined by (if $P_i = (x_i, y_i)$),

$$u(z) = \prod_{i=1}^g (z - x_i), \quad \text{and } v(x_i) = y_i, \quad \forall i.$$

Rem. If $D = \langle u(z), v(z) \rangle$, then $-D = \langle u(z), -v(z) \rangle$.

Group law: Cantor's algorithm (or special formulae for fixed g *à la* Spallek, Harley, Nagao).

2. Theta representations: Chudnovsky & Chudnovsky, Gaudry, ..., Robert, Cosset.

Cardinality

$\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}_q = \mathbb{F}_{p^n}$; $N_r = \#C(\mathbb{K}_r)$ where $[\mathbb{K}_r : \mathbb{K}] = r$:

$$Z(T) = \exp \left(\sum_{r \geq 1} N_r \frac{T^r}{r} \right).$$

Ex. $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{F}_{q^r}) = \{(x_0, x_1) \neq (0, 0) \in \mathbb{F}_{q^r}^2\} / \sim$.

$$\#\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{F}_{q^r}) = 1 + q^r$$

$$Z(T) = \frac{1}{(1-T)(1-qT)}.$$

Weil's theorem

Thm. (Weil) $Z(T) \in \mathbb{Q}[T]$

$$Z(T) = \frac{L(T)}{(1-T)(1-qT)}$$

- (i) $L(T) = 1 + a_1T + \cdots + q^g T^{2g}$, $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$;
- (ii) $a_{2g-i} = q^{g-i} a_i$ for $0 \leq i \leq g$;
- (iii) if $L(T) = \prod (1 - \alpha_i T)$, then $\alpha_i \alpha_{g+i} = q$ and $|\alpha_i| = \sqrt{q}$.

Thm. $\#\text{Jac}(C) = L(1)$.

Coro. $|\#\text{Jac}(C) - (q+1)| \leq 2g\sqrt{q}$;
 $(\sqrt{q}-1)^{2g} \leq \#\text{Jac}(C) \leq (\sqrt{q}+1)^{2g}$.

ℓ -torsion

Def. $\text{Jac}[n] = \{P \in \text{Jac}(\overline{\mathbb{K}}), [n]P = O_J\}$.

Thm. If $(n, \text{char}(\mathbb{K})) = 1$, $\text{Jac}[n] \sim (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^{2g}$; $\text{Jac}[p^r] \sim (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^k$, $0 \leq k \leq g$.

Rem. In general $k = g$ (ordinary curves); when $g = 1$, the case $k = 0$ corresponds to **supersingular** curves.

Coro. $\text{Jac}(C)/\mathbb{K}$ is at most $C_1 \times C_2 \times \cdots \times C_{2g}$.

For $g = 1$, this means E is cyclic (very often) or $C_1 \times C_2$ (rarely).

Division polynomials for elliptic curves

Take $E : y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B$:

$$[n](X, Y) = \left(\frac{\phi_n(X, Y)}{\psi_n(X, Y)^2}, \frac{\omega_n(X, Y)}{\psi_n(X, Y)^3} \right)$$

$$\phi_n = X\psi_n^2 - \psi_{n+1}\psi_{n-1}$$

$$4Y\omega_n = \psi_{n+2}\psi_{n-1}^2 - \psi_{n-2}\psi_{n+1}^2$$

$$\phi_n, \psi_{2n+1}, \psi_{2n}/(2Y), \omega_{2n+1}/Y, \omega_{2n} \in \mathbb{Z}[A, B, X]$$

Rem. When $g > 1$, one can define analogous division polynomials – as a matter of fact, division ideals – (cf. Cantor).

$$f_n(X) = \begin{cases} \psi_n(X, Y) & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \\ \psi_n(X, Y)/(2Y) & \text{for } n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{-1} = -1, \quad f_0 = 0, \quad f_1 = 1, \quad f_2 = 1$$

$$f_3(X, Y) = 3X^4 + 6AX^2 + 12BX - A^2$$

$$f_4(X, Y) = X^6 + 5AX^4 + 20BX^3 - 5A^2X^2 \\ - 4ABX - 8B^2 - A^3$$

$$f_{2n} = f_n(f_{n+2}f_{n-1}^2 - f_{n-2}f_{n+1}^2)$$

$$f_{2n+1} = \begin{cases} f_{n+2}f_n^3 - f_{n+1}^3f_{n-1}(16Y^4) & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ (16Y^4)f_{n+2}f_n^3 - f_{n+1}^3f_{n-1} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\deg(f_n(X)) = \begin{cases} (n^2 - 1)/2 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ (n^2 - 4)/2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Thm. $P = (x, y)$ point of order ℓ in $E(\overline{\mathbb{K}})$

$\iff [2]P = O_E$ or $f_\ell(x) = 0$.

II. Particular curves

A) Supersingular curves

Elliptic curves: E s.t. $\#E = q + 1 - c$, $p \mid c$ (not every c , all is known).

For instance: when $n = 2m + 1$, $q = 2^n$

| E | c_n |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| $Y^2 + Y = X^3$ | 0 |
| $Y^2 + Y = X^3 + X$ | $-(2/n)\sqrt{2q}$ |
| $Y^2 + Y = X^3 + X + 1$ | $(2/n)\sqrt{2q}$ |

(See A. Menezes and S. Vanstone, *Utilitas Math.*, 38:135–153, 1990)

Pb: subject to the MOV reduction (see also Frey, Rück).

$g > 1$: can be generalized, but reductions still apply (see also Galbraith for security evaluation).

B) CM curves

$g = 1$:

Thm. (Katre) If $p = x^2 + 4y^2$ with $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $a \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, then $E : Y^2 = X^3 + aX$ has cardinality

$$p + 1 - \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } (a/p)_4 = 1, \\ -2x & \text{if } (a/p)_4 = -1, \\ -4y & \text{otherwise with } y \text{ s.t. } 2y(a/p)_4 = x. \end{cases}$$

There are 13 cases of curves defined over \mathbb{Q} having such properties; in general, $4p = A^2 + DB^2$, $\#E = p + 1 - A$: basis for primality proving with elliptic curves (ECPP, Atkin, M.).

$g > 1$:

Spallek, Weng ($g = 2$); Buhler-Koblitz; Duursma-Sakurai; Chao, Matsuda, Nakamura, Tsujii; etc., etc.

⇒ M. Streng's talks.

Pb: too much structure?

C) Misc

- ▶ Weil-Koblitz: Build curves over \mathbb{F}_q for q small and use $\text{Jac}(C)/\mathbb{F}_{q^k}$. ECDL might be a little easier.
- ▶ Weil descent: Start from ec's to build hec's (Smart *et al.*).
- ▶ $Y^2 = X^{2g+1} + aX$, $Y^2 = X^{2g+1} + a$ (Jacobsthal sums: Furukawa/Kawazoe/Takahashi 2003, Haneda/Kawazoe/Takahashi 2005).
- ▶ Satoh: $Y^2 = X^5 + uX^3 + vX$ as covering of elliptic curves.

III. Generic methods

Input: a finite abelian group $(G, +)$ with $\#G \leq B$.

Output: $\#G$ together with a proof (factors of $\#G$ + structure with generators; for curves, use pairings).

1. Enumeration: $O(\#G)$ if one has a means of enumerating $G \dots$

2. Use Lagrange's theorem: for random $x \in G$, find $\omega =$ order of x . Deduce from this the order of G (take care to small orders, group structure with SNF, etc.; see Cohen). Relatively easy when G is cyclic and the number of generators important.

Easy method: try increasing value of ω : $O(\omega) \leq O(B)$, $O(1)$ space, deterministic.

Shanks's baby steps/giant steps method

Write $m = m_0 + m_1b$ for some b , $0 \leq m_0 < b$, $0 \leq m_1 \leq B/b$ and write

$$[m]x = 0 \iff [m_1]([-b]x) = [m_0]x.$$

1. **baby steps:** precompute $\mathcal{B} = \{[m_0]x, 0 \leq m_0 \leq b\}$;
2. **giant steps:** find all m_1 s.t. $[m_1]([-b]x) = [m_0]x$ for some m_0 .

Cost: $b + B/b$ minimized with $b = \sqrt{B}$. Time and space are $O(\sqrt{B})$ group operations, assuming membership testing is $O(1)$ (hashing), **deterministic**.

Rem. can be modified when $A \leq \#G \leq B$, yielding a method in $O(\sqrt{B-A})$.

Using kangaroos (Stein-Teske, Gaudry-Harley, Matsuo-Chao-Tsujii): **probabilistic** method in $O(\sqrt{B-A})$ time and $O(1)$ space.

Application to elliptic curves

- ▶ **Enumeration:** find all $x \in \mathbb{F}_q$ s.t. $f(x)$ is a square.
- ▶ **Lagrange:** $[q + 1]P = [\pm c]P$ for $0 \leq c \leq 2\sqrt{q}$.
Rem. If $\text{ord}(P)$ is large enough, then

$$\#\{c \in [-2\sqrt{q}, 2\sqrt{q}], [q + 1 - c]P = O_E\} = 1$$

and we can bypass the structure problem (Mestre).

- ▶ **Kangaroos:** idem.
- ▶ **Shanks:** we can do slightly better finding c and not ω .
Write $c = n_0 + n_1 W$, $0 \leq n_0 < W$, $|n_1| \leq 2\sqrt{q}/W$. Write

$$[q + 1 - n_0]P = [\pm n_1][W]P, 0 \leq n_1 \leq 2\sqrt{q}/W$$

Cost: $W = \sqrt{2\sqrt{q}}$, so $O(2\sqrt{2\sqrt{q}})$.

Application to hyperelliptic curves

$$L(1) = 1 - s_1 + \cdots + (-1)^g s_g + (-1)^{g+1} q s_{g-1} + \cdots - q^{g-1} s_1 + q^g,$$

$$|s_i| \leq \binom{2g}{i} q^{i/2}.$$

A) Enumeration

$g = 2$: compute $N_1(C)$ and $N_2(C)$ and deduce

$$s_1 = q + 1 - N_1(C), \quad s_2 = (s_1^2 + N_2(C) - (q^2 + 1))/2.$$

$$g = 3: \quad s_3 = (s_1^3 - 3s_1s_2 - N_3 + q^3 + 1)/3.$$

Prop. Method in $O(q^g)$.

B) Lagrange

Hasse-Weil gives

$$w = (\sqrt{q} + 1)^{2g} - (\sqrt{q} - 1)^{2g} = 4gq^{(2g-1)/2} + O(q^{(2g-3)/2}) \text{ (for fixed } g, q \rightarrow +\infty).$$

Prop. Method in $O(q^{(2g-1)/2})$ (for fixed g).

Shanks/Kangaroos: $O(q^{(2g-1)/4})$ (for fixed g).

Rem. Some improvements are possible (partial information – truncating $L(1)$, etc.).

IV. Schoof's algorithm

The Frobenius endomorphism

Ordinary:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi : \overline{\mathbb{K}} &\rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{K}} \\ x &\mapsto x^q\end{aligned}$$

Extension to C and $\text{Jac}(C)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi : C(\overline{\mathbb{K}}) &\rightarrow C(\overline{\mathbb{K}}) \\ (X, Y) &\mapsto (X^q, Y^q)\end{aligned}$$

Fundamental thm. The minimal polynomial $\chi(T)$ of φ is the reciprocal of $L(T)$. Moreover $\#\text{Jac}(C)/\mathbb{F}_q = \chi(1)$.

Consequence: computing $\#\text{Jac}(C)/\mathbb{F}_q$ boils down to computing $\chi(T)$.

$g = 1$: for E with $\chi(T) = T^2 - cT + q$, $|c| \leq 2\sqrt{q}$.
 φ restricted to $E[\ell]$ satisfies:

$$\varphi^2 - c\varphi + q \equiv 0 \pmod{\ell}$$

so we can find $c_\ell \equiv c \pmod{\ell}$ such that

$$(X^{q^2}, Y^{q^2}) \oplus [q](X, Y) = [c_\ell](X^q, Y^q)$$

in $\mathbb{K}[X, Y]/(E, f_\ell(X))$ and use CRT once $\prod \ell > 4\sqrt{q}$. Yields a $O(\log^8 q)$ **deterministic algorithm**.

Pb. $\deg(f_\ell) = O(\ell^2)$.

$g > 1$: general algorithm by Pila (1990), but impossible to implement; Kampkötter (1991) for any hyperelliptic, with precise equations for $g = 2$ (uses Gröbner bases). More tomorrow!

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Plan

- I. What we saw yesterday.
- II. Isogenies and point counting: Elkies, Atkin, Couveignes, Lercier.
- III. Satoh's algorithm.
- IV. Generalization to genus 2.
- V. Generating cryptographically strong elliptic curves.

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II. Isogenies and point counting

A) Elements of theory

Def. $\phi : E \rightarrow E^*$, $\phi(O_E) = O_{E^*}$; induces a morphism of groups.

First examples

1.

$$[k](X, Y) = \left(\frac{A_k}{\psi_k^2}, \frac{B_k}{\psi_k^3} \right)$$

2. $[i](X, Y) = (-X, iY)$ on $E : Y^2 = X^3 - X$.

3. $\varphi(X, Y) = (X^q, Y^q)$, $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}_q$.

Thm. (dual isogeny) There is a unique $\hat{\phi} : E^* \rightarrow E$, $\hat{\phi} \circ \phi = [m]$,
 $m = \deg \phi$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{\phi} & E^* \\ & \searrow [m] & \downarrow \hat{\phi} \\ & & E \end{array}$$

Isogenies and subgroups

Thm. If F is a finite subgroup of E , then there exists ϕ and E^* s.t.

$$\phi : E \rightarrow E^* = E/F, \quad \ker(\phi) = F.$$

Ex. $E : y^2 = x^3 + ax^2 + bx, F = \langle(0, 0)\rangle;$

$$E^* : Y^2 = X^3 - 2aX^2 + (a^2 - 4b)X,$$

$$\phi : (x, y) \mapsto \left(\frac{y^2}{x^2}, \frac{y(b - x^2)}{x^2} \right).$$

More generally: Vélu's formulas give

$$\phi(X, Y) = \left(\frac{G(X)}{H(X)^2}, \frac{J(X, Y)}{H(X)^3} \right).$$

(case $\deg\phi$ odd.)

Application to point counting

Suppose F is a subgroup of order ℓ of E :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{I} & E^* \\ & \searrow [\ell] & \downarrow \hat{I} \\ & & E \end{array}$$

$$I(X, Y) = \left(\frac{G}{H^2}, \dots \right), \deg(H) = (\ell - 1)/2$$

$\ker(I) \subset E[\ell] \Rightarrow H(X) \mid f_\ell(X)$ in $\mathbb{K}[X]$.

Schoof's algorithm on a degree $O(\ell)$ polynomial.

Pb. When does such an F exist over \mathbb{K} ?

B) Atkin and Elkies

Consider $\varphi : (X, Y) \mapsto (X^q, Y^q)$ and its restriction φ_ℓ to $E[\ell]$:

$$\varphi_\ell^2 - c\varphi_\ell + q = 0,$$

$$\Delta = c^2 - 4q.$$

If $(\Delta/\ell) = +1$, then over \mathbb{F}_ℓ ,

$\text{Mat}(\varphi_\ell) \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \exists F, \varphi(F) = F \Leftrightarrow F$ is a cyclic subgroup of order ℓ , defined over \mathbb{K} .

Clon. If $(\Delta/\ell) = +1$, f_ℓ has a factor of degree $(\ell - 1)/2$.

Pb. How do we know that $(\Delta/\ell) = +1$?

Modular polynomials

Thm. $\exists \Phi_\ell(X, Y) \in \mathbb{Z}[X, Y]$ s.t. E and E^* are ℓ -isogenous over \mathbb{K} only if $\Phi_\ell(j(E), j(E^*)) = 0$.

This polynomial comes from the theory of elliptic curves over \mathbb{C} : for $\Im(\tau) > 0$, $\Phi_\ell(j(\tau), j(\tau/\ell)) = 0$.

There are $O(\ell^2)$ integer coefficients of size $O(\ell) \Rightarrow \Phi_\ell$ will occupy $O(\ell^3)$ bits. This yields a naive method for computing Φ_ℓ using linear algebra.

Ex.

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_2(X, Y) = & X^3 + X^2 \left(-Y^2 + 1488 Y - 162000 \right) \\ & + X \left(1488 Y^2 + 40773375 Y + 8748000000 \right) \\ & + Y^3 - 162000 Y^2 + 8748000000 Y - 157464000000000.\end{aligned}$$

Over finite fields

Thm. E/\mathbb{F}_q :

$$\Phi_\ell(X, j(E)) = \begin{cases} (1)(1)(s) \cdots (s) & \text{if } (\Delta/\ell) = +1, \\ (s) \cdots (s) & \text{if } (\Delta/\ell) = -1 \end{cases}$$

and s is the order of λ_1/λ_2 .

Clon. $(\Delta/\ell) = +1$ iff $\Phi_\ell(X, j(E))$ has two distinct roots over \mathbb{K} .

Atkin's 1986 idea: use the splitting of Φ_ℓ to deduce information on t and combine it via a clever match and sort algorithm (see also Joux/Lercier).

Elkies's algorithm (circa 1989)

repeat

1. factor $\Phi_\ell(X, j(E))$ over \mathbb{K} .
2. if type = $(1)(1)(s) \cdots (s)$:
 - 2.1 build E^* ;
 - 2.2 build I ;
 - 2.3 find $c \pmod{\ell}$;

until $\prod_{\ell \text{ good}} \ell > 4\sqrt{q}$.

Thm. $O(\log^4 q)$ operations over \mathbb{F}_q , probabilistic.

Computing (E^*, I)

- ▶ use the theory of elliptic curves and lattices over \mathbb{C} (Weierstrass \wp function); rational formulas for E^* ;
- ▶ computing I takes $O(M(\ell))$ operations given E, E^* and the trace of the polynomial (Bostan/M./Salvy/Schost, Lercier/Sirvent);
- ▶ in small characteristic, this is more difficult: see CouveignesI+II, DeFeo; Lercier;
- ▶ Cf. D. Robert's talks for more.

Rem. Isogenies no longer used for computing cardinalities for p small, but used for computing modular polynomials (Bröker/Lauter/Sutherland), and enters some crypto primitives (cryptosystems, discrete log attacks, isogeny walks, etc.).

Modular polynomials

Historically: precompute huge tables of Φ_ℓ over \mathbb{Z} and reduce them on the fly. Convenient for crypto targets.

- ▶ Find families of “smaller” modular polynomials (Weber functions, Atkin’s laundry method – theta functions, Müller with Hecke operators, etc.); e.g.,
$$\Phi_2[j^{1/3}] = U^3 - V^2U^2 + 495 VU + V^3 - 54000.$$
- ▶ Computing Φ_ℓ given f :
 - ▶ series expansions to recover coefficients;
 - ▶ floating point computations on huge complex numbers; best method is Enge, Dupont using evaluation/interpolation for $\tilde{O}(\ell^3)$ operations;
 - ▶ alternative p -adic approach by Bröker.
 - ▶ Vercauteren: special case of $p = 2$ enables many tricks that reduce the computations.

Modern times: directly compute Φ_ℓ over the ring we’re interested in. Best algorithm uses CRT and isogeny volcanoes. (Bröker/Lauter/Sutherland) in time $\tilde{O}(\ell^3)$.

Point counting records

FM; then AEnge/PGaudry/FM (first home made; NTL)

| what | 500dd | 1000dd | 1500dd | 2005dd | 2500dd |
|-------|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|
| when | 1995 | | | 2005(!) | |
| X^p | 6h | 134h | 35d | 133d | 224d |
| Total | 10h | 180h | 77d | 195d | 404d |

A. Sutherland (07/2010): $p = 16219299585 \times 2^{16612} - 1$
(5000dd),

Approximate timings on AMD Phenom II 3.0 GHz cores

$\text{Phi}_n(X, j(E)) \bmod p$ 32 CPU days

$X^p \bmod \text{Phi}_n(X, j(E))$ 995 CPU days

Elkies kernel polynomial $h(X)$ 3 CPU days

$Y^p \bmod h$ and derive $X^p \bmod h$ 326 CPU days

eigenvalue using BSGS 22 CPU days

1378 CPU days

Every day life (crypto)

- ▶ Optimal parameters for crypto size available since 1995 (Lercier+M.).
- ▶ well understood algo + implementation (see green books for convenience).
- ▶ Implementations available in MAGMA, `pari`, ...
- ▶ An exercise in NTL, or Sage. Ditto for modular polynomials, for which tables exist.

III. Satoh's algorithm

Def. \mathbb{Z}_p ring of p -adic integers $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots)$ s.t. $x_n \in \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$ and $x_{n+1} \equiv x_n \pmod{p^n}$. Denote by $\pi : \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p$ sending x to x_1 .

Def. Let $q = p^r$ and $f(t) \in \mathbb{Z}_p[t]$ s.t. $\pi(f)$ is irreducible in $\mathbb{F}_p[t]$. Then $\mathbb{Z}_q = \mathbb{Z}_p[t]/(f(t))$.

An element of \mathbb{Z}_q is $\mathcal{A} = a_{r-1}t^{r-1} + \dots + a_0$ with $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$; \mathbb{Z}_q contains \mathbb{Z}_p as a subring.

$$\pi(\mathcal{A}) = \sum_i \pi(a_i)t^i.$$

Prop. Let σ be the **little** Frobenius sending x in \mathbb{F}_q to x^p . There is a canonical way to lift σ to $\Sigma : \mathbb{Z}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_q$.

Extend σ to points $\sigma(x, y) = (\sigma(x), \sigma(y))$ and to curves: $\sigma(E) = [\sigma(a_i)]$, so that if $P \in E(\mathbb{K})$, then $\sigma(P) \in \sigma(E)(\mathbb{K})$.

Thm (Lubin-Serre-Tate) Let E/\mathbb{F}_q with $j = j(E) \in \mathbb{F}_q - \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$.
 There is a unique \mathcal{J} in \mathbb{Z}_q s.t.

$$\Phi_p(\mathcal{J}, \Sigma(\mathcal{J})) = 0,$$

$\pi(\mathcal{J}) = j$; \mathcal{J} is the invariant of the **canonical lift** \mathcal{E} of E and
 $\text{End}(\mathcal{E}) = \text{End}(E)$.

Isogeny cycles:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{E}_0 & \xrightarrow{\Sigma_{r-1}} & \mathcal{E}_{r-1} & \xrightarrow{\Sigma_{r-2}} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\Sigma_1} & \mathcal{E}_1 & \xrightarrow{\Sigma_0} & \mathcal{E}_0 \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi & & & & \downarrow \pi & & \\ E_0 & \xrightarrow{\sigma_{r-1}} & E_{r-1} & \xrightarrow{\sigma_{r-2}} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} & E_1 & \xrightarrow{\sigma_0} & E_0 \end{array}$$

Prop. $\varphi = \sigma_0 \circ \sigma_1 \circ \cdots \circ \sigma_{r-1}$, $\mathcal{F} = \Sigma_0 \circ \Sigma_1 \circ \cdots \circ \Sigma_{r-1}$.

Thm. $\text{Tr}(\varphi) = \text{Tr}(\mathcal{F})$.

Computing $\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F})$ (1/2)

Use the dual of Frobenius to get another isogeny cycle amenable to computations:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{E}_0 & \xrightarrow{\hat{\Sigma}_0} & \mathcal{E}_1 & \xrightarrow{\hat{\Sigma}_1} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\hat{\Sigma}_{r-2}} & \mathcal{E}_{r-1} & \xrightarrow{\hat{\Sigma}_{r-1}} & \mathcal{E}_0 \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi & & & & \downarrow \pi & & \\ E_0 & \xrightarrow{\hat{\sigma}_0} & E_1 & \xrightarrow{\hat{\sigma}_1} & \cdots & \xrightarrow{\hat{\sigma}_{r-2}} & E_{r-1} & \xrightarrow{\hat{\sigma}_{r-1}} & E_0 \end{array}$$

Prop. $\hat{\varphi} = \hat{\sigma}_{r-1} \circ \hat{\sigma}_{r-2} \circ \cdots \circ \hat{\sigma}_0$ (idem for $\hat{\mathcal{F}}$) and also $\text{Tr}(\hat{\mathcal{F}}) = \text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}) = \text{Tr}(\varphi)$.

Computing $\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F})$ (2/2)

Let τ (resp. τ_i) denote the local parameter of \mathcal{E} (resp. \mathcal{E}_i).

$$\mathcal{F}(\tau) = \sum_{k \geq 1} c_k \tau^k$$

Prop. (Sato) $\text{Tr}(\mathcal{F}) = c_1 + q/c_1$.

$$c_1 = \prod_{i=0}^{d-1} g_i$$

where (Vélu's formulas again)

$$\hat{\Sigma}_i(\tau_i) = g_i \tau_i + O(\tau_i^2)$$

Satoh's algorithm in brief

1. Compute the curves E_0, E_1, E_{r-1} and their invariants j_i .
2. Lift all the j_i 's simultaneously by a Newton iteration to get \mathcal{J}_i :

$$\Theta((x_i)) = (\Phi_p(x_0, x_1), \Phi_p(x_1, x_2), \dots, \Phi_p(x_{r-1}, x_0))$$

as

$$(x_i) \leftarrow (x_i) - ((D\Theta)^{-1}\Theta)((x_i)).$$

3. Lift each E_i coefficient by coefficient.
4. Lift the p -torsion subgroup of E_i .
5. Compute the $\hat{\Sigma}_i$'s.
6. Compute the trace.

Thm. (Satoh-FGH) For fixed p , Satoh-FGH requires $O(r^3)$ memory and $O(r^{3+\varepsilon})$ bit-operations.

IV. The situation in genus 2

- ▶ **Division polynomials:** Cantor.
- ▶ **Schoof/Pila:**
 - ▶ random curves: Gaudry/Harley ($p \approx 2^{61}$), Gaudry/Schoof ($p \approx 2^{82}$), Pitcher, Gaudry/Schoof (2010): $\tilde{O}((\log p)^7)$ operations in \mathbb{F}_p (record $p = 2^{127} - 1$: 1000 CPU hours).
 - ▶ easy Real Multiplication: Gaudry/Kohel/Smith (2011) give a $\tilde{O}((\log p)^4)$ algorithm (record: $p \approx 2^{512}$; 128-bit takes 3 hours).
- ▶ **Satoh's algorithm:** LST valid. Need modular equation. Very fast for small p .
- ▶ **Isogenies:** Vélú's formulas for maximally isotropic kernels (Lubicz/Robert). See D. Robert, G. Bisson, R. Cosset (AVIsogenies).
- ▶ Modular polynomials: not usable yet.

Modular polynomials when $g = 2$

- ▶ **Gaudry + Schost:** the algebraic alternative is generic (Ξ_ℓ)
 - ▶ total degree is $d = (\ell^4 - 1)/(\ell - 1)$;
 - ▶ number of monomials is $O(\ell^{12})$;
 - ▶ can do $\ell = 3$: 50k but a lot of computing time (weblink still active);
 - ▶ use its factorization patterns à la Atkin to speedup cardinality computations.
- ▶ **The classical modular approach:**
 - ▶ Poincaré \rightarrow Siegel (dim $2g$);
 - ▶ replace j by $(j_1, j_2, j_3) \Rightarrow$ triplet of modular polynomials, coefficients are rational fractions in j_i 's;
 - ▶ Dupont (experimental conjectures proven more recently by Bröker+Lauter): stuck at $\ell = 2$ with 26.8 Mbgz (just the beginning of $\ell = 3$); uses evaluation/interpolation again; see Goren/Lauter.

V. Generating cryptographically strong curves

\mathbb{F}_p with large p or \mathbb{F}_{2^n} with n prime (Weil descent, see Menezes & Qu); subgroups of large prime order.

- ▶ **Supersingular curves:** too much structure (?).
- ▶ **CM curves:** quite efficient for $g = 1$ or $g = 2$, but who knows?
- ▶ **Fixed curves:** The NIST curves (?).
- ▶ **Random curves:**
 - ▶ $g = 1$: use SEA for large p , Satoh for $p = 2$. Very efficient when combined to the early-abort approach in Lercier's EUROCRYPT'97 article. Experiments conducted by FGH combining SEA and Satoh show that it takes **5 min** on Alpha 750 MHz to build a good curve over $\mathbb{F}_{2^{233}}$.
 - ▶ $g = 2$ begins to be efficient (in particular RM).
 - ▶ $g > 2$: out of reach right now.