

Fast Cryptography in Genus 2

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Recall that curves are much better than \mathbb{F}_q^*



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\mathbb{F}_q^* (today $q \approx 3072$ bits)



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E/\mathbb{F}_q (today $q \approx 256$ bits)

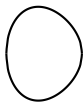


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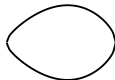
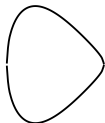
$\text{Jac}(C_g/\mathbb{F}_q)$ (today, $g = 2$, $q \approx 128$ bits)

Why fields of half the size?

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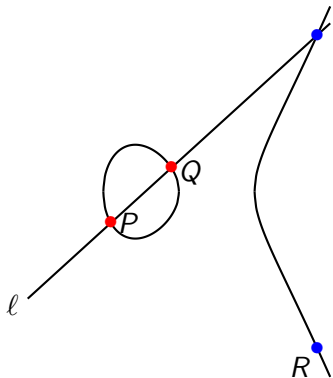
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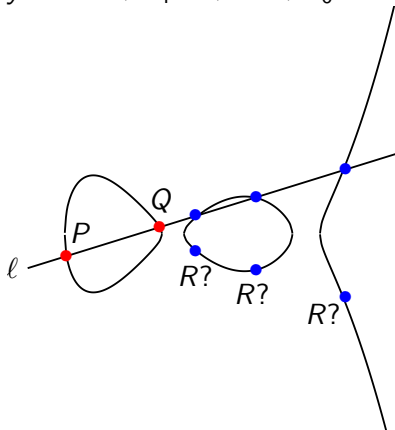
Both curves have around q points over \mathbb{F}_q

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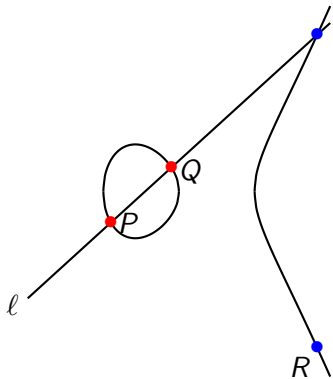
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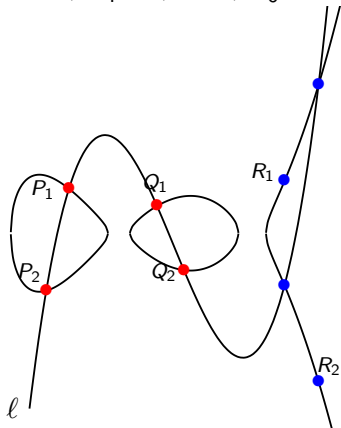
Can't do "chord-and-tangent" in genus 2

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Roughly speaking: group elements are pairs of points

$$\#E(\mathbb{F}_q) \approx q$$

vs.

$$\#\text{Jac}(C)(\mathbb{F}_q) \approx q^2$$

- 1 Finding cryptographically suitable curves
- 2 Arithmetic of general genus 2 curves
- 3 GLV decompositions
- 4 The Kummer surface
- 5 Results / Open Question

1. Finding cryptographically suitable genus 2 curves

1 Point Counting (Schoof-Pila)

- Until < 5 years ago, 128-bit security still far out of reach
- Gaudry-Schost'12 state-of-the-art
- 1,000 CPU hours to find group order of any curve
- 1,000,000+ CPU hours to find Kummer (used in this work)

2 Real Multiplication (RM)

- Gaudry-Kohel-Smith'12
- Accelerated Schoof-Pila for genus 2 curves with efficiently computable RM (endomorphism)
- Finds 2-GLV curves

3 Complex Multiplication (CM)

- Very practical for low-discriminant CM fields
- Fix a prime p , fix quartic CM field $K = \mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^4 + Ax^2 + B)$
- If p splits (nicely) in \mathcal{O}_K , can write down $\#\text{Jac}(C/\mathbb{F}_p)$
- Input \mathbb{F}_p -roots of Igusa Class Polynomials into Mestre to get C
- Igusas are the hard part (although Kohel/Thomé databases)

Finding genus 2 curves with CM over fast primes

Picky with prime $p \rightarrow$ flexible with CM field

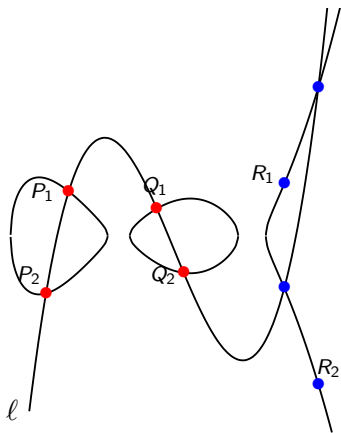
- **Mersenne prime** $p = 2^{127} - 1$ performs fastest at this level
- Search many CM fields to find good curves
- Can't hope to find secure curve for particular family (CM field)

Picky with CM field \rightarrow flexible with prime p

- Sometimes need particular CM field (e.g. if you want endomorphisms)
- **Montgomery-friendly primes:** $p = 2^{64} \cdot (2^{63} - c) + 1$
- **NIST-friendly primes:** $p = 2^{128} - c$
- Both take $c \ll 2^{63}$ (more than enough flexibility)

2. Arithmetic of general genus 2 curves

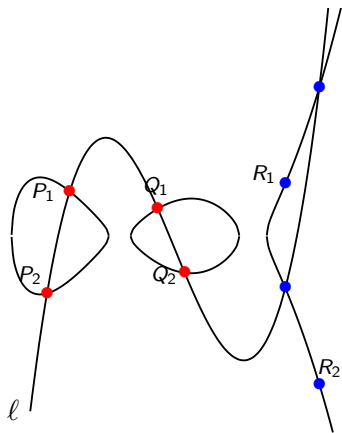
Mumford coordinates



$$\begin{aligned} \text{sextic} &= (x - x_{P_1})(x - x_{P_2})(x - x_{Q_1})(x - x_{Q_2})(x - x_{R_1})(x - x_{R_2}) = 0 \\ &\rightarrow \text{quadratic} = (x - x_{R_1})(x - x_{R_2}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Computing with actual points means root finding in \mathbb{F}_q

Mumford coordinates



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Mumford coordinates avoid root finding

The cost of genus 2 group operations

- Based on C-Lauter'11, we optimized genus 2 formulas for 128-bit fields

op.	Divisor doubling	Divisor addition	Divisor mix add.
$g = 2$	$34\mathbf{M} + 6\mathbf{S} + 34a$	$44\mathbf{M} + 4\mathbf{S} + 29a$	$37\mathbf{M} + 5\mathbf{S} + 29a$

\mathbb{F}_p operations for common divisor operations in genus 2

implementation	prime p	cycles/scalar mult.
generic128	$2^{128} - 173$	364,000
generic127	$2^{127} - 1$	248,000

Timings on Intel Core i7-3520M (Ivy Bridge) at 2893.484 MHz

3. GLV scalar decomposition

4-GLV: e.g. Buhler-Koblitz curves

- Let $p = 2^{64} \cdot (2^{63} - 27443) + 1$, and let

$$C/\mathbb{F}_p : y^2 = x^5 + 17$$

- $\#Jac = 28948022309328876595115567994214488524823328209723866335483563634241778912751$
- Notice that $(x, y) \in C \implies (\xi_5 x, y) \in C$, where $\xi_5^5 = 1$,
 \implies “easy to compute” map ϕ on $Jac(C)$
- For $D \in Jac(C)$, we get the scalar multiples $\phi(D) = [\lambda]D$,
 $\phi^2(D) = [\lambda^2]D$ and $\phi^3(D) = [\lambda^3]D$ for free
- $[k]D$ as $[k]D = [k_0]D + [k_1]\phi(D) + [k_2]\phi^2(D) + [k_3]\phi^3(D)$
- eg. $k = 23477399837278936923599493713286470955314785798347519197199578120259089016680$
 $(k_0, k_1, k_2, k_3) =$
 $(-6344646642321980551, -3170471730617986668, -4387949940648063094, 3721725683392112311)$

4-GLV: e.g. Buhler-Koblitz curves

- k was 254 bits, but instead we multiexponentiate by

$$D \quad k_0 = [1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, \dots] \quad (63 \text{ bits})$$

$$\phi(D) \quad k_1 = [0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, \dots] \quad (63 \text{ bits})$$

$$\phi^2(D) \quad k_2 = [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, \dots] \quad (63 \text{ bits})$$

$$\phi^3(D) \quad k_3 = [0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, \dots] \quad (63 \text{ bits})$$

- 254 DBL + 127 ADD \rightarrow 63 DBL + 80 ADD (Straus-Shamir)

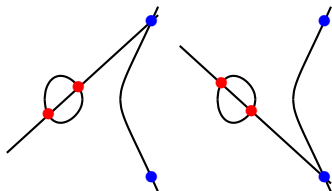
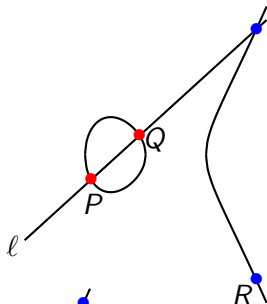
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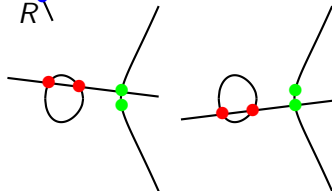
Montgomery ladder for elliptic curves ...

- Can compute $P + Q$ from $\{P, Q, P - Q\}$ without y -coords
- **Key:** to compute $[k]P$, have $[n + 1]P$ and $[n]P$ at each stage



same difference \rightarrow same result

vs.



different difference \rightarrow different result

Genus 2 analogue: the Kummer surface \mathcal{K}

- Montgomery identified $P = (P_x, P_y)$ and $-P = (P_x, -P_y)$
- Smart-Siksek'99: $g = 2$ analogue. . . $\text{Jac}(C) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ is 2-to-1



- Gaudry'07: much better Kummer surface from theta theory
- The “Squares-only” Kummer is best (Cosset'10)

$$\mathcal{K} : Exyzt = ((x^2+y^2+z^2+t^2) - F(xt+yz) - G(xz+yt) - H(xy+zt))^2$$

- No longer a group, but enough to do secure crypto (e.g. DH)
- Each ladder step needs $\text{DBL}_{\mathcal{K}} + \text{“ADD”}_{\mathcal{K}}$ – **only 25 \mathbb{F}_p muls !!!**
- Compare to non-Kummer – $\text{DBL} \approx 40$ and $\text{ADD} \approx 50$

The Kummer surface

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4GLV-BK	$2^{64} \cdot (2^{63} - 27443) + 1$	156,000
Kummer	$2^{128} - 237$	166,000
Kummer	$2^{127} - 1$	117,000

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- See eBACS for more performance numbers ...

<http://bench.cr.yp.to>

5. Results / Open Question

Results: genus 1 and 2 implementations over prime fields

who	primitive	g	constant time	10^3 cycles
OpenSSL	NISTp256	1	?	658
Hisil	ecfp256e	1	X	227
Bernstein	curve25519	1	✓	182
Longa-Sica	GLV-2	1	X	145
	generic-p1271	2	X	248
this work	GLV-4-BK-Mont	2	X	156
	Kummer-p1271	2	✓	117

- Kummer offers fastest Diffie-Hellman over prime fields
- Bonus: Kummer also runs in constant-time
- **Kummer chameleons**: curves which can be Kummer or 4GLV, depending on scenario (see full version)

- Using endomorphisms (GLV) gives big speedups:
364,000 \rightarrow 156,000
- Using Kummer surface gives big speedups:
248,000 \rightarrow 117,000
- **Question: can we do GLV on the Kummer surface?**
 - Gaudry also noticed that certain Kummers can have an endomorphism ϕ
 - We found some cryptographically sized examples
 - But GLV on pseudo-groups is harder (several caveats)
 - Nevertheless, big speedups possible
 - See the full version - eprint 2012/670