

# Pairings

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Let  $G_1, G_2, G_T$  be abelian groups.

A pairing is a non-degenerate bilinear map

$$e : G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_T.$$

Bilinearity:

- ▶  $e(g_1 + g_2, h) = e(g_1, h)e(g_2, h),$
- ▶  $e(g, h_1 + h_2) = e(g, h_1)e(g, h_2).$

Non-degenerate:

- ▶ For all  $g \in G_1 \setminus \{0\}$  exists  $h \in G_2$  with  $e(g, h) \neq 1.$
- ▶ For all  $h \in G_2 \setminus \{0\}$  exists  $g \in G_1$  with  $e(g, h) \neq 1.$

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# Examples

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- ▶ Scalar product on euclidean space  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .
- ▶ Multiplication in a ring defines a pairing  $e(x, y) = xy$ .
- ▶ Weil- and Tatepairings on elliptic curves and abelian varieties.

Useful for everything which has do with “linear algebra”:

- ▶ Checking for linear independence or dependence,
- ▶ Solving for linear combinations  $g = \sum_i \lambda_i g_i$ ,
- ▶ Depends on computational capabilities in  $G_1, G_2, G_T$ .

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Efficient representations and algorithms for

- ▶ Groups laws, equality test, sampling in  $G_1, G_2, G_T$ .
- ▶ Computation of  $e(g, h)$  given  $g \in G_1, h \in G_2$ .

Useful in most cases:

- ▶  $G_1 \cong G_2 \cong G_T$
- ▶ Unique bit representation of group elements.

# Hardness

High complexity assumptions for algorithms:

- ▶ Always: No efficiently computable isomorphism from  $G_T$  to  $G_1$  or  $G_2$ .
- ▶ Sometimes: No efficiently computable isomorphism from  $G_2$  to  $G_1$  or from  $G_1$  to  $G_2$  or both.
- ▶ Bilinear Diffie-Hellman: Suppose  $G = G_1 = G_2$ . Given  $g, g^a, g^b, g^c \in G$  then no efficient algorithm to compute

$$e(g, g)^{abc}.$$

Many more in

[www.ecrypt.eu.org/documents/D.MAYA.3.pdf](http://www.ecrypt.eu.org/documents/D.MAYA.3.pdf).

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A typical construction for pairings in mathematics is via duality:

- ▶ Suppose  $G_1 = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $G_2 = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$  and  $G_T = \mathbb{R}$ .
- ▶ Then function evaluation

$$G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_T, \quad (x, f) \mapsto f(x)$$

defines a pairing.

- ▶ This very principle is applied in curve based pairing.
- ▶ Is inherently bilinear, does not seem to generalize nicely to multilinear maps.

# What are pairings?

Suppose  $G_1 \cong G_2 \cong G_T$  cyclic of prime order  $n$ .

If there are efficiently computable isomorphisms  $f : G_T \rightarrow G_1$  and  $g : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  then we have an efficiently computable pairing

$$p : G_1 \times G_1 \rightarrow G_1, \quad p(x, y) = f(p(x, g(y))).$$

Then  $G_1$  is a “black-box field” with its group law as addition and  $p$  as multiplication.

From this interpretation it is not hard to see that the Computational Diffie-Hellman problem in  $G_1, G_2, G_T$  and all computational pairing problems are easy to solve.

The non-existence of  $f$  is thus vital to pairing security.

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# What are pairings?

And: Pairings are essentially “multiplication in fields” of two (and no more!) arguments.

Two lessons:

- ▶ Multilinear maps are essentially “multiplication in fields” of  $n$  (and no more) arguments.
- ▶ Can make higher dimensional linear algebra given a pairing, yields product pairings.

Given  $e : G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_T$  a product pairing is of the form

$$G_1^n \times G_2^n \rightarrow G_T, \quad (x, y) \mapsto \prod_{i,j=1}^n e(x_i, y_j)^{a_{i,j}}.$$

Note the analogy with a bilinear form having Gram matrix  $(a_{i,j})$ . Hard computational problems come from  $e$ .

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Curve based pairings:

- ▶ Defined in terms of algebraic curves, their Picard groups and Jacobian varieties.
- ▶ Always bilinear, groups are cyclic, elements have unique bit representations, various special properties.

Further mathematical background (not important here):

- ▶ Arithmetic duality, in particular class field theory.
- ▶ Application in descent techniques.

In the following: Focus on the special case of pairings on elliptic curves.

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# Finite Fields

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Let  $\mathbb{F}_q$  denote a finite field with  $q = p^r$  elements.

- ▶  $\mathbb{F}_p = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ .
- ▶  $\mathbb{F}_q = \mathbb{F}_p[x]/f\mathbb{F}_p[x]$  with  $f$  irreducible of degree  $r$ .
- ▶  $\mathbb{F}_q \neq \mathbb{Z}/p^r\mathbb{Z}$  for  $r > 1$ .

Properties:

- ▶  $\mathbb{F}_{q_1} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_{q_2}$  iff  $q_2$  is a power of  $q_1$ .
- ▶ The algebraic closure  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q$  of  $\mathbb{F}_q$  can be seen as the union of all finite fields containing  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .
- ▶ Every  $f \in \overline{\mathbb{F}}_q[x]$  decomposes into linear factors.
- ▶ The map  $\sigma : \overline{\mathbb{F}}_q \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{F}}_q, x \mapsto x^q$  is additive, multiplicative and bijective.
- ▶ If  $x \in \overline{\mathbb{F}}_q$ , then  $x \in \mathbb{F}_q$  iff  $\sigma(x) = x$ .

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Elliptic curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ :

- ▶ Given by an equation  $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}_q$  suitable and  $p > 3$ . For  $p = 2, 3$  more lower order terms.
- ▶ Have  $K$ -rational point sets

$$E(K) = \{(x, y) \in K \times K \mid y^2 = x^3 + ax + b\} \cup \{\mathcal{O}\}$$

for any finite extension field  $K \supseteq \mathbb{F}_q$ .

- ▶ Are abelian groups via point addition given by explicit small degree formulae, with neutral element  $\mathcal{O}$ .
- ▶ Hasse-Weil:  $\#E(\mathbb{F}_{q^r}) = q^r + 1 - t$  with  $|t| \leq 2\sqrt{q^r}$ .

Pairing values are obtained by evaluating “exponentially sized” rational functions on  $E$  at points of  $E$ .

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# Rational Functions

There exists a field  $K(E)$  of  $K$ -rational functions on  $E$ :

- ▶  $f \in K(E)$  can be represented as

$$f = \frac{f_{\text{num}}(x, y)}{f_{\text{den}}(x, y)},$$

where  $f_{\text{num}}, f_{\text{den}}$  denote bivariate polynomials with coefficients in  $K$ .

- ▶  $f \in K(E)$  defines a map

$$E(\bar{K}) \rightarrow \bar{K} \cup \{\infty\}, P \mapsto f(P),$$

by substituting the coordinates of  $P$  into  $f$ , where  $a/0 = \infty$  with  $a \neq 0$ .

- ▶ The cases  $\infty/\infty$  for  $P = \mathcal{O}$  and  $0/0$  can be dealt with using something like L'Hospital's rule, and can be avoided for pairings.

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# Rational Functions - Example

$$K = \mathbb{F}_5, E : y^2 = x^3 + 2.$$

$$E(\mathbb{F}_p) = \{ \mathcal{O}, (2, 0), (-2, 2), (-2, -2), (-1, 1), (-1, -1) \}$$

$$P = (2, 0), Q = (-1, 1).$$

$$x(P) = 2, x(Q) = -1, y(P) = 0, y(Q) = 1.$$

$$f = x/y: \quad f(Q) = -1/1 = -1, f(P) = \infty.$$

$$f = y^2 - x^3 - 2: \quad f(P) = f(Q) = 0, \dots \text{ thus } f = 0 \text{ in } K(E).$$

$$f = (x^3 + 2)/y: \quad f(P) = 0/0 ?$$

$$\text{But } f = (x^3 + 2)/y = y(x^3 + 2)/y^2 = y: \quad f(P) = 0.$$

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Zeros and Poles:

- ▶  $P$  is called a zero of  $f$  if  $f(P) = 0$ .
- ▶  $P$  is called a pole of  $f$  if  $f(P) = \infty$ .
- ▶ It is possible to attach integral orders to zeros and poles of  $f$ , denoted by  $\text{ord}_P(f)$ .

Geometrical interpretation of  $\text{ord}_P(f)$ :

- ▶ “ $\text{ord}_P(f)$  is the intersection multiplicity of the curve defined by  $f = 0$  and  $E$ .”

Analytical interpretation of  $\text{ord}_P(f)$ :

- ▶ “ $f$  has a Laurent series expansion at  $P$  and  $\text{ord}_P(f)$  is the exponent of the leading term”
- ▶ “The variable of the Laurent series expansion has a zero of order one at  $P$ .”

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Formal properties of  $\text{ord}_P$ :

- ▶ Have

$$f(P) = 0, \quad f(P) \neq 0, \quad f(P) = \infty$$

precisely when

$$\text{ord}_P(f) > 0, \quad \text{ord}_P(f) = 0, \quad \text{ord}_P(f) < 0.$$

- ▶ For all  $f, g \in K(E)$  have

$$\text{ord}_P(fg) = \text{ord}_P(f) + \text{ord}_P(g),$$

$$\text{ord}_P(f + g) \geq \min\{\text{ord}_P(f), \text{ord}_P(g)\},$$

$$\text{ord}_P(f + g) = \min\{\text{ord}_P(f), \text{ord}_P(g)\}$$

$$\text{if } \text{ord}_P(f) \neq \text{ord}_P(g),$$

$$\text{ord}_P(f) = \infty \text{ iff } f = 0.$$

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Let  $f = ax + by + c$  with  $ab \neq 0$ .

Recall  $f$  intersects  $E$  in three points  $P, Q, -(P + Q)$ .  
Moreover,  $b = 0$  and  $f$  vertical line iff  $Q = -P$ .

Let  $P \neq \mathcal{O}$  arbitrary.

- ▶ If  $f$  does not intersect  $E$  in  $P$  then  $\text{ord}_P(f) = 0$ ,  
else  $\text{ord}_P(f) \geq 1$ .
- ▶ If  $f$  intersects  $E$  in  $P$  but is not tangent to  $E$  in  $P$  then  
 $\text{ord}_P(f) = 1$ , else  $\text{ord}_P(f) \geq 2$ .
- ▶ If  $f$  is tangent to  $E$  in  $P$  and  $P \neq -2P$  then  
 $\text{ord}_P(f) = 2$ , else  $\text{ord}_P(f) = 3$ .

# Rational Functions - Example

Let  $f = ax + by + c$  with  $ab \neq 0$ .

Let  $P = \mathcal{O}$ .

- ▶ The geometric interpretation of  $\text{ord}_P(f)$  more complicated than analytic interpretation, we use the latter.
- ▶ From  $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  we “see”  $\text{ord}_P(y) = -3$  and  $\text{ord}_P(x) = -2$  when “ $P$ ,  $x$  and  $y$  tend to infinity”.
- ▶ Thus  $\text{ord}_P(f) = -3$  if  $b \neq 0$ , else  $\text{ord}_P(f) = -2$ .

$$f = x/y: \quad \text{ord}_{\mathcal{O}}(f) = -2 - (-3) = 1.$$

$$f(\mathcal{O}) = 0, \quad (1/f)(\mathcal{O}) = \infty.$$

Higher degree rational functions are more complicated to compute ...

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# Divisors

- ▶ Similar to an associative array data type with points as keys and integer coefficients as values.
- ▶ Divisors are finite formal sums of points with integer coefficients:

$$D = \sum_{P \in E(\bar{K})} \lambda_P \cdot (P)$$

with  $\text{ord}_P(D) = \lambda_P \in \mathbb{Z}$  and only finitely many  $\lambda_P \neq 0$ .

- ▶ Sum of divisors taken coefficientwise.
- ▶ Degree

$$\deg(D) = \sum_{P \in E(\bar{K})} \text{ord}_P(D).$$

- ▶  $\deg$  is additive,  $\deg(D_1 + D_2) = \deg(D_1) + \deg(D_2)$ .
- ▶  $D$  is supported in  $E(K)$  if  $P \in E(K)$  holds for all  $P$  with  $\text{ord}_P(D) \neq 0$ .

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- ▶ The divisor of  $f \in K(E)$  is

$$\operatorname{div}(f) = \sum_{P \in E(\bar{K})} \operatorname{ord}_P(f)(P).$$

Such divisors are called principal.

- ▶ Have  $\deg(\operatorname{div}(f)) = 0$ .
- ▶  $f$  is determined by  $\operatorname{div}(f)$  up to multiplication by a non-zero constant from  $K$ .

# Rational Functions and Divisors - Example

Let  $f = ax + by + c$  with  $ab \neq 0$ .

Denote the intersection points of  $f$  with  $E$  by  $P, Q, -(P + Q)$ . From the discussion before we have the cases

$$\operatorname{div}(f) = \begin{cases} (P) + (Q) + (-(P + Q)) - 3(\mathcal{O}) & Q \neq \pm P \\ (P) + (-P) - 2(\mathcal{O}) & Q = -P \\ 2(P) + (-2P) - 3(\mathcal{O}) & Q = P \\ 3(P) - 3(\mathcal{O}) & Q = Q, 3P = \mathcal{O} \end{cases}$$

The formula

$$\operatorname{div}(f) = (P) + (Q) + (-(P + Q)) - 3(\mathcal{O})$$

is correct for every case.

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# Rational Functions and Leading Coefficients

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It is possible to define a leading coefficient of  $f \neq 0$  in  $K$ :

- ▶ Define  $t = x/y$ . Then  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{O}}(t) = 1$ .
- ▶ Define  $\text{lc}(f) = (f/t^{\text{ord}_{\mathcal{O}}(f)})(\mathcal{O}) \in K^{\times}$ .
- ▶  $f$  is called monic if  $\text{lc}(f) = 1$ .
- ▶ Have  $\text{lc}(x) = \text{lc}(y) = 1$ .

A monic rational function  $f$  is uniquely determined by its divisor  $\text{div}(f)$ .

This is the first step towards an efficient representation of “exponentially sized” monic  $f$  by “polynomial sized”  $\text{div}(f)$ .

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- ▶ The set  $\text{Div}_K(E)$  of divisors supported in  $E(K)$  is an abelian group.
- ▶  $\text{Div}_K^0(E)$  denotes the subgroup of  $\text{Div}_K(E)$  of divisors of degree zero.
- ▶  $\text{Princ}_K(E)$  denotes the subgroup of  $\text{Div}_K^0(E)$  of principal divisors.
- ▶ The degree zero Picard group supported in  $E(K)$  is

$$\text{Pic}_K^0(E) = \text{Div}_K^0(E) / \text{Princ}_K(E).$$



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The Abel-Jacobi map

$$\text{AJ} : \text{Pic}_K^0(E) \rightarrow E(K), \left[ \sum_{P \in E(K)} \lambda_P(P) \right] \mapsto \sum_{P \in E(K)} \lambda_P P$$

is an isomorphism.

Consequences:

- ▶  $\sum_{P \in E(K)} \lambda_P(P)$  of degree zero is principal iff

$$\sum_{P \in E(K)} \lambda_P P = \mathcal{O}.$$

- ▶ Efficient product representation of rational functions, Miller's algorithm.

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# Product Representation

Let  $f$  be a monic rational function supported in  $E(K)$ .

Then  $f$  can be written in many ways as a product of quotients of linear functions.

Write  $\text{div}(f) = \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i P_i$  and  $m = \lceil \max \log_2(|\lambda_i|) \rceil$ . Then there are monic rational functions  $f_{i,j}$  such that

$$f = \prod_{i=0}^m \prod_{j=1}^{2r+1} f_{i,j}^{2^i}.$$

The  $f_{i,j}$  are of the form  $f_{i,j} = \frac{g_{i,j}}{h_{i,j}}$  with  $g_{i,j} \in K[x, y]$  and  $h_{i,j} \in K[x]$  at most linear in  $x$  and  $y$ .

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# Product Representation

## Algorithmic implications:

- ▶ The storage requirements of  $f$  in this product form are linear in the storage requirements for  $\text{div}(f)$ .
- ▶ Evaluations  $f(P)$  can be efficiently computed (provided  $P$  does not occur as a pole of one of the  $f_{i,j}$ , which it usually doesn't).

Miller's algorithm computes product representations or directly a function evaluation  $f(P)$  for monic  $f$  with prescribed  $\text{div}(f)$ .

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# Miller's Algorithm

Let  $D$  be a divisor of degree zero supported in  $E(K)$ . We define

$$\text{red}(D) = (\text{AJ}([D])) - (\mathcal{O})$$

and  $f_D$  as the monic function of  $K(E)$  with

$$\text{div}(f_D) = D - \text{red}(D).$$

If  $D$  is principal then  $\text{div}(f_D) = D$ .

$$f_{D_1+D_2} = f_{D_1} \cdot f_{D_2} \cdot f_{\text{red}(D_1)+\text{red}(D_2)}.$$

Proof: Since  $\text{red}(D_1 + D_2) = \text{red}(\text{red}(D_1) + \text{red}(D_2))$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{div}(f_{D_1+D_2}) &= D_1 + D_2 - \text{red}(D_1 + D_2) \\ &= D_1 - \text{red}(D_1) + D_2 - \text{red}(D_2) + \\ &\quad \text{red}(D_1) + \text{red}(D_2) - \text{red}(D_1 + D_2) \\ &= \text{div}(f_{D_1}) + \text{div}(f_{D_2}) + \text{div}(f_{\text{red}(D_1)+\text{red}(D_2)}).\end{aligned}$$

As all functions are monic we obtain the equality.

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Recursive strategy for  $f_D$ :

- ▶ Use  $f_{D_1+D_2} = f_{D_1} \cdot f_{D_2} \cdot f_{\text{red}(D_1)+\text{red}(D_2)}$  and suitable addition chain.
- ▶ Compute  $f_D$  and  $\text{red}(D)$  simultaneously.
- ▶  $D$  can be written as sum of divisors of the form  $(P) - (\mathcal{O})$  and  $(\mathcal{O}) - (Q)$ .

For example, write

$$D = \sum_{i=0}^m 2^i \sum_{j=1}^r \lambda_{i,j} ((P_j) - (\mathcal{O}))$$

with  $\lambda_{i,j} \in \{0, \pm 1\}$ . The addition chain is then executed by adding the terms of the inner sum for  $i = 0$ , then multiplying by 2, then adding the terms of the inner sum for  $i = 1$ , then multiplying by 2, and so on.

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Terminating functions  $f_D$ :

- ▶  $f_{(P)-(\mathcal{O})} = 1$  since  $\text{div}(f_{(P)-(\mathcal{O})}) = 0$ .
- ▶  $f_{(\mathcal{O})-(Q)} = (x - x(Q))^{-1}$  for  $Q \neq \mathcal{O}$ , since
$$\text{div}(f_{(\mathcal{O})-(Q)}) = (\mathcal{O}) - (Q) - ((-Q) - (\mathcal{O})) = 2(\mathcal{O}) - (Q) - (-Q).$$
- ▶  $f_{(P)+(Q)-2(\mathcal{O})} = \begin{cases} \text{" fraction of the line through } P, Q, \\ -(P + Q) \text{ divided by the vertical line} \\ \text{through } P + Q, -(P + Q) \text{"} \end{cases}$

since

$$\begin{aligned}\text{div}(f_{(P)+(Q)-2(\mathcal{O})}) &= (P) + (Q) - 2(\mathcal{O}) - ((P + Q) - (\mathcal{O})) \\ &= (P) + (Q) + (-(P + Q)) - 3(\mathcal{O}) - \\ &\quad ((P + Q) + (-(P + Q)) - 2(\mathcal{O})).\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The leading coefficient of  $y$ ,  $x$  or  $1$  need to be one, in this order of occurrence.

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# Function Evaluation

Let  $f$  be a  $K$ -rational function and  $D$  a divisor supported in  $E(K)$  that contains no zero or pole of  $f$ . Define

$$f(D) = \prod_{P \in E(K)} f(P)^{\text{ord}_P(D)} \in K^\times.$$

This has a bilinearity property:

- ▶  $f(D_1 + D_2) = f(D_1) + f(D_2)$ .
- ▶  $(fg)(D) = f(D)g(D)$ .

Weil reciprocity:

$$f(\text{div}(g)) = g(\text{div}(f))$$

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# Finite Abelian Groups

Let  $G$  be a finite abelian group. There are  $r$  integers  $c_i \geq 2$  with  $c_i | c_{i+1}$  and  $s$  prime powers  $p_j^{e_j} \geq 2$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} G &\cong \mathbb{Z}/c_1\mathbb{Z} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}/c_r\mathbb{Z} \\ &\cong \mathbb{Z}/p_1^{e_1}\mathbb{Z} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}/p_s^{e_s}\mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

The  $c_i$  and  $p_j^{e_j}$  are uniquely determined (the latter only up to permutation).

Define the subgroup of  $n$ -torsion elements

$$G[n] = \{g \in G \mid ng = 0\}.$$

Have  $G[n] \cong G/nG$ .

Proof: Reduces to the case  $G = \mathbb{Z}/nm\mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $G[n] = \{[\lambda m] \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  and  $G \rightarrow G[n], x \mapsto mx$  is an epimorphism with kernel  $nG$ .

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# Duality

Let  $G_1, G_2, G_T$  be finite abelian groups with  $G_T$  cyclic, and

$$e : G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_T$$

a bilinear map.

Then

- ▶ Left kernel  $K_1 = \{x \in G_1 \mid e(x, y) = 0 \text{ for all } y \in G_2\}$ .
- ▶ Right kernel  $K_2 = \{y \in G_2 \mid e(x, y) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in G_1\}$ .
- ▶ Obtain bilinear map  $e' : G_1/K_1 \times G_2/K_2 \rightarrow G_T$ .
- ▶ Left and right kernel of  $e'$  are 0, hence  $e'$  is non-degenerate.

Have  $G_1/K_1 \cong G_2/K_2$ .

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# Tate Pairing

Assume  $\#K^\times / (K^\times)^n = \#K^\times[n] = n$ . Is defined in first stage as

$$t_n : E(K)[n] \times E(K) \rightarrow K^\times / (K^\times)^n$$

as follows:

Let  $P \in E(K)[n]$  and  $Q \in E(K)$ .

Choose divisors  $D_1, D_2$  in  $\text{Div}_K^0(E)$  with

$$\text{AJ}([D_1]) = P \text{ and } \text{AJ}([D_2]) = Q$$

such that  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  have no points in common.

Choose a  $K$ -rational function  $f$  such that  $\text{div}(f) = nD_1$ .

Then

$$t_n(P, Q) = f(D_2) \cdot (K^\times)^n$$

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A possible choice of divisors is as follows:

Take  $D_2 = (Q) - (\mathcal{O})$ .

Then  $\text{AJ}([D_2]) = Q - \mathcal{O} = Q$ , as required.

Now we cannot take  $D_1 = (P) - (\mathcal{O})$  because it has points in common with  $D_2$ .

Choose  $T \in E(K)$  such that  $\mathcal{O}, Q, P + T, T$  are all distinct.

Then take  $D_1 = (P + T) - (T)$ .

We have  $\text{AJ}([D_1]) = P + T - T = P$ , as required.

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Well defined in first argument:

- ▶ Choose  $D'_1$  with  $\text{AJ}([D'_1]) = P$ . Then  $D'_1 - D_1$  is principal.
- ▶ Thus there is  $g$  with  $D'_1 = D_1 + \text{div}(g)$  and  $nD'_1 = nD_1 + \text{div}(g^n)$ .
- ▶ Choose  $f'$  with  $\text{div}(f') = nD'_1$ . Then there is  $c \in K^\times$  with  $f' = cg^n f$ .
- ▶ Since  $\deg(D_2) = 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} f'(D_2) &= (cg^n f)(D_2) = c(D_2)g(D_2)^n f(D_2) \\ &= c^{\deg(D_2)} g(D_2)^n f(D_2) \\ &\equiv f(D_2) \bmod (K^\times)^n. \end{aligned}$$

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Well defined in second argument:

- ▶ Choose  $D'_2$  with  $\text{AJ}([D'_2]) = Q$ . Then  $D'_2 - D_2$  is principal.
- ▶ Thus there is  $g$  with  $D'_2 = D_2 + \text{div}(g)$ .
- ▶ Using Weil reciprocity we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(D'_2) &= f(D_2 + \text{div}(g)) = f(D_2)f(\text{div}(g)) \\ &= f(D_2)g(\text{div}(f)) = f(D_2)g(nD_1) = f(D_2)g(D_1)^n \\ &\equiv f(D_2) \pmod{(K^\times)^n}. \end{aligned}$$

# Bilinearity

Bilinear in first argument:

- ▶ Given  $P, P'$  and  $D_1, D'_1$  with

$$\text{AJ}([D_1]) = P \text{ and } \text{AJ}([D'_1]) = P'$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}\text{AJ}([D_1 + D'_1]) &= \text{AJ}([D_1] + [D'_1]) \\ &= \text{AJ}([D_1]) + \text{AJ}([D'_1]) = P + P' .\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Choose  $f, f'$  with  $\text{div}(f) = nD$  and  $\text{div}(f') = nD'_1$ . Then

$$\text{div}(ff') = nD_1 + nD'_1 = n(D_1 + D'_1).$$

- ▶ Thus

$$\begin{aligned}t_n(P + P', Q) &= (ff')(D_2) \cdot (K^\times)^n \\ &= f(D_2)f'(D_2) \cdot (K^\times)^n = t_n(P, Q)t_n(P', Q).\end{aligned}$$

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Bilinear in second argument:

- ▶ Given  $Q$ ,  $Q'$  and  $D_2, D'_2$  with

$$\text{AJ}([D_2]) = Q \text{ and } \text{AJ}([D'_2]) = Q'$$

we have similarly

$$\text{AJ}([D_2 + D'_2]) = P + P'.$$

- ▶ Then

$$\begin{aligned} t_n(P, Q + Q') &= f(D_2 + D'_2) \cdot (K^\times)^n \\ &= f(D_2)f(D'_2) \cdot (K^\times)^n = t_n(P, Q)t_n(P, Q'). \end{aligned}$$

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Tricky part (without proof here): The left kernel of  $t_n$  is 0.

Non-degenerate:

- ▶ We have  $t_n(P, nQ) = t_n(P, Q)^n = 1$ .
- ▶ So right kernel  $K_2$  of  $t_n$  contains  $nE(K)$  and we get pairing

$$t_n : E(K)[n] \times E/K_2 \rightarrow K^\times / (K^\times)^n.$$

- ▶ Since  $E(K)/nE(K) \cong E(K)[n] \cong E/K_2$  we have

$$K_2 = nE(K).$$



# Weil Pairing

Assume  $\#K^\times / (K^\times)^n = \#K^\times[n] = n$ . Is defined as

$$e_n : E(K)[n] \times E(K)[n] \rightarrow K^\times[n]$$

as follows:

Let  $P \in E(K)[n]$  and  $Q \in E(K)[n]$ .

Choose divisors  $D_1, D_2$  in  $\text{Div}_K^0(E)$  with

$$\text{AJ}([D_1]) = P \text{ and } \text{AJ}([D_2]) = Q$$

not necessarily coprime.

Choose  $K$ -rational functions  $f_1, f_2$  such that  $\text{div}(f_1) = nD_1$  and  $\text{div}(f_2) = nD_2$ .

Then

$$e_n(P, Q) = \prod_{P \in E(K)} (-1)^{n \text{ord}_P(D_1) \text{ord}_P(D_2)} \frac{f_2^{\text{ord}_P(D_1)}}{f_1^{\text{ord}_P(D_2)}}(P)$$

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## Remarks:

- ▶ Definition given here more general than usually seen in cryptography.
- ▶ There is a mathematical background of the Tate- and Weil pairings connecting the two. Apparently no specific use in cryptography though.

## Properties:

- ▶  $e_n$  is bilinear and alternating:  $e_n(P, P) = 1$  for all  $P$ .
- ▶  $e_n$  is non-degenerate if and only if  $E(K)[n] \cong (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^2$ .
- ▶ Proofs are similar to the Tate pairing case.
- ▶ There are special cases where  $t_n$  is non-degenerate and  $e_n$  is degenerate. Usually not considered in cryptography.

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Let  $\gcd(q, n) = 1$ .

The embedding degree  $k$  is the minimal number  $k \geq 1$  such that

$$q^k \equiv 1 \pmod{n}.$$

Let  $K = \mathbb{F}_{q^k}$ . Then  $k | \phi(n)$  and

$$K^\times / (K^\times)^n \cong K^\times[n] \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}.$$

Here  $\phi(n) = \#(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ .

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Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with

$$E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n] \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$$

and  $\gcd(k(q-1), n) = 1$ .

The embedding degree satisfies  $k \geq 2$ . Moreover,

$$E(K)[n] \cong E(K)/nE(K) \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$$

and we get pairings

$$t_n : E(K)[n] \times E(K)/nE(K) \rightarrow K^\times / (K^\times)^n,$$

$$e_n : E(K)[n] \times E(K)[n] \rightarrow K^\times [n].$$

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Let

- ▶  $\pi$  the Frobenius endomorphism of  $E$ ,  $(x, y) \mapsto (x^q, y^q)$ ,
- ▶  $\chi = x^2 - tx + q \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  its characteristic polynomial,
- ▶ Have  $\chi(1) = \#E(\mathbb{F}_q) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$  thus  $\chi(q) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ .
- ▶ Thus  $\pi$  has eigenvalues 1 and  $q$ .

Then  $E(K)[n] = \langle P_0 \rangle \times \langle Q_0 \rangle$  with

$$\pi(P_0) = P_0 \text{ and } \pi(Q_0) = qQ_0.$$

Therefore  $P_0 \in E(\mathbb{F}_q)$  and  $Q_0 \in E(K) \setminus \bigcup_{\mathbb{F}_q \subseteq L \subsetneq K} E(L)$ .

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# Frobenius Eigenvalues - Remarks

From  $\chi(1) \equiv 0 \pmod n$  we know

$$(x-1)(x-a) = x^2 - tx + q \pmod n$$

for some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Comparing absolute coefficients shows

$$a \equiv q \pmod n.$$

The general equality  $\chi(1) = \#E(\mathbb{F}_q)$  is out of the scope of these slides.

One usually argues using properties of dual isogenies roughly as follows:

First we have  $\widehat{\chi(\pi)} = \chi(\hat{\pi}) = 0$  and  $\hat{\pi} \neq \pi$ , so  $\chi(t) = (t - \pi)(t - \hat{\pi})$  where  $\hat{\cdot}$  denotes taking the dual isogeny. Then  $\pi - 1$  is a separable isogeny, hence

$$\#E(\mathbb{F}_q) = \# \ker(\pi - 1) = \deg(\pi - 1) = (\pi - 1)(\hat{\pi} - 1) = \chi(1).$$

See for example the book by Silverman.

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The following conditions are equivalent:

1.  $\gcd(\#E(K)/n^2, n) = 1$ .
2.  $E(K) \cong \mathbb{Z}/d\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  with  $\gcd(d, n) = 1$ .
3.  $E(K)[n] \cap E(K)/nE(K) = 0$ .
4.  $\gcd((u^k - 1)/n, n) = 1$  and  $\gcd((v^k - 1)/n, n) = 1$ .

Here let

- ▶  $\chi(u) \equiv 0 \pmod{n^2}$  for  $u \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .
- ▶  $\chi(v) \equiv 0 \pmod{n^2}$  for  $v \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $u \equiv q \pmod{n}$ .

We assume that (any one of) these conditions holds true in the following.



# Reduced Tate Pairing

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So far have  $t_n : E(K)[n] \times E(K)/nE(K) \rightarrow K^\times / (K^\times)^n$ .

Have isomorphisms:

- ▶  $K^\times / (K^\times)^n \rightarrow K^\times[n], x \mapsto x^{(\#K-1)/n}$
- ▶  $\phi : E(K)[n] \rightarrow E(K)/nE(K), P \mapsto P + nE(K)$  due to the condition  $E(K)[n] \cap nE(K) = 0$ .
- ▶ Elements of  $K^\times[n]$  and  $E(K)[n]$  have unique bit representation thus these groups are more convenient.

Obtain reduced Tate pairing

$$t_n^{\text{red}} : E(K)[n] \times E(K)/nE(K) \rightarrow K^\times[n],$$
$$t_n^{\text{red}}(P, Q) = t_n(P, \phi(Q))^{(\#K-1)/n}.$$

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# Weil Pairing and Reduced Tate Pairing

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If  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are coprime then the Weil pairing simplifies to

$$e_n(P, Q) = f_2(D_1)/f_1(D_2).$$

Thus we obtain the following computational relation:

1. 
$$e_n(P, Q)^{(\#K-1)/n} = \frac{t_n^{\text{red}}(Q, P)}{t_n^{\text{red}}(P, Q)}.$$

2. 
$$t_n^{\text{red}}(P, Q) = t_n^{\text{red}}(Q, P) \text{ for all } P, Q \in E(K)[n]$$

if and only if  $n \mid (\#K - 1)/n$ .

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# Action of Galois

Recall  $\sigma$  is the  $q$ -power Frobenius automorphism of  $K$ . Operates on the objects related to  $E$  by coefficientwise application:

- ▶ For  $x \in K$  write  $x^\sigma = \sigma(x) = x^q$ .
- ▶ Write  $E^\sigma : y^2 = x^3 + a^\sigma x + b^\sigma$ . Since  $E$  is defined over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  we have  $E^\sigma = E$ .
- ▶ For  $P \in E(K)$  write  $P^\sigma = (x(P)^\sigma, y(P)^\sigma)$ . Have  $P^\sigma \in E^\sigma(K) = E(K)$ . Also define  $\mathcal{O}^\sigma = \mathcal{O}$ .
- ▶ For  $f \in K(E)$  write  $f^\sigma$  for the fctn in  $K(E)$  obtained from  $f$  by application of  $\sigma$  to the coefficients of  $f$ .
- ▶ E.g.  $(ax)^\sigma = a^\sigma x^\sigma = a^\sigma x$ .
- ▶ Similarly for divisors and other objects.

Note  $P^\sigma = \pi(P)$  and  $f^\sigma(P^\sigma) = f(P)^\sigma$ .

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# Orthogonality

Let  $p_n$  denote  $t_n^{\text{red}}$  or  $e_n$ .

The points  $P_0$  and  $Q_0$  are a “orthogonal” basis of  $E(K)[n]$ :

1.  $p_n(P_0, P_0) = p_n(Q_0, Q_0) = 1$ .
2.  $\langle p_n(P_0, Q_0) \rangle = \langle p_n(Q_0, P_0) \rangle = K^\times[n]$ .

Proof: We have  $p_n(P_0, P_0) = 1$  since  $\mathbb{F}_q \cap K^\times[n] = 1$ . Now in general  $(f_D)^\sigma = f_{D^\sigma}$ . This implies the Galois invariance

$$p_n(P, Q)^\sigma = p_n(P^\sigma, Q^\sigma)$$

for all  $P, Q \in E(K)[n]$ . We obtain

$$p_n(Q_0, Q_0)^\sigma = p_n(Q_0^\sigma, Q_0^\sigma) = p_n(qQ_0, qQ_0) = p_n(Q_0, Q_0)^{q^2} = p_n(Q_0, Q_0)^{\sigma^2},$$

hence  $p_n(Q_0, Q_0) = p_n(Q_0, Q_0)^\sigma$  and  $p_n(Q_0, Q_0) \in \mathbb{F}_q \cap K^\times[n] = 1$ . The second assertion follows from the first and the non-degeneracy.

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# Trace Map

Let  $T \in E(K)[n]$  and define the trace map

$$\phi_0(T) = c \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} T^{\sigma^i}$$

with  $ck \equiv 1 \pmod n$  and  $\phi_1(T) = T - \phi_0(T)$ .

Then

- ▶  $\phi_0(T)^\sigma = \phi_0(T)$ , hence  $\phi_0(T) \in E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n]$ .
- ▶  $\phi_0(T) = ckT = T$  for  $T \in \langle P_0 \rangle$ .
- ▶  $\phi_0(T) = (c \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} q^i) T = c \frac{q^k - 1}{q - 1} T = 0$  for  $T \in \langle Q_0 \rangle$ .
- ▶  $\phi_0(\lambda P_0 + \mu Q_0) = \lambda P_0$ .
- ▶  $\phi_1(\lambda P_0 + \mu Q_0) = \mu Q_0$ .

There are efficiently computable “orthogonal” projections  $\phi_0, \phi_1$  of  $E(K)[n]$  onto  $\langle P_0 \rangle$  with kernel  $\langle Q_0 \rangle$  and onto  $\langle Q_0 \rangle$  with kernel  $\langle P_0 \rangle$  respectively.

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The isomorphism

$$\langle P_0 \rangle \times \langle Q_0 \rangle \rightarrow E(K)[n], \quad (P, Q) \mapsto P + Q$$

can be efficiently computed in both directions.

Proof: The direction  $(P, Q) \mapsto P + Q$  is obvious. For the other direction let  $T \in E(K)[n]$ . Define  $P = \phi_0(T)$  and  $Q = \phi_1(T)$ . Then  $P + Q = \phi_0(T) + \phi_1(T) = \phi_0(T) + T - \phi_0(T) = T$ , as required.

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We obtain

Efficiently computable pairings

$$E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n] \times G' \rightarrow K^\times[n]$$

for any cyclic subgroup  $G' \subseteq E(K)[n]$  of order  $n$  with  $G' \neq E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n]$  are possible.



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Rationality question:

- ▶ Have  $p_n(P, P) = 1$  for all  $P \in E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n]$ .
- ▶ Thus one argument needs to be defined in  $E(K)$  proper.
- ▶  $K$  is a huge field, absolutely want to reduce computations in  $K$  to a minimum.
- ▶ Can we represent pairing arguments in  $E(\mathbb{F}_q)$  and map one argument homomorphically to  $E(K)$  prior to pairing computation?

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Efficiently computable pairings

$$E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n] \times E'(\mathbb{F}_{q^{k/\gcd(k,d)}})[n] \rightarrow K^\times[n]$$

with an auxiliary  $E'$  defined over  $\mathbb{F}_{q^{k/\gcd(k,d)}}$  are possible under the following conditions:

1.  $E$  is supersingular.

Then also  $E = E'$  and  $d = k$  possible.

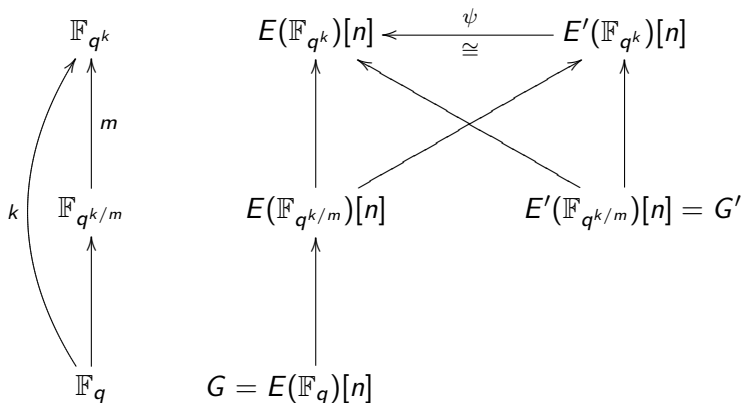
2.  $E$  is ordinary,  $\text{char}(K) \neq 2, 3$  and

$$d = \begin{cases} 2 & ab \neq 0 \\ 4 & b = 0 \\ 6 & a = 0 \end{cases}$$

For supersingular curves we also have  $k = 2, 3, 4, 6$  only.  
In the following outline why this works.

# Main Theorem - Construction

$$m = \gcd(k, d).$$



$$E(\mathbb{F}_{q^k})[n] \cong E'(\mathbb{F}_{q^k})[n] \cong E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n] \oplus E'(\mathbb{F}_{q^{k/m}})[n]$$

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# Isogenies and Isomorphisms

Let  $E_1, E_2$  be elliptic curves defined over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . An isogeny  $\psi : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  is a map

$$\psi : E_1(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q) \rightarrow E_2(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q)$$

with the following properties:

1.  $\psi$  is defined by rational functions  $x_\psi, y_\psi \in K(E)$  such that  $\psi(P) = (x_\psi(P), y_\psi(P))$ .
2.  $\psi$  is a homomorphism with finite kernel.

If  $\gcd(\deg(\psi), q) = 1$  then

$$\deg(\psi) = \# \ker(\psi) \approx \max \text{ degrees in } x_\psi, y_\psi.$$

The isogeny  $\psi$  is called an isomorphism if  $\ker(\psi) = 0$ . Then

- ▶ exists isomorphism  $\psi^{-1}$  such that  $\psi \circ \psi^{-1} = \text{id}$  and  $\psi^{-1} \circ \psi = \text{id}$ .
- ▶  $x_\psi \in K[x]$  and  $y_\psi \in K[x, y]$  are linear in  $x$  and  $y$ .

# Isogenies and Isomorphisms - Example

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$E_1 : y^2 = x^3 + a_1x + b_1$ ,  $E_2 : y^2 = x^3 + a_2x + b_2$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$   
with  $p \neq 2, 3$ .

All isomorphisms  $\phi : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  are of the form

$$\phi = (u^2x, u^3y)$$

with  $u \in \overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$  and  $u^4a_1 = a_2$  and  $u^6b_1 = b_2$ .

There can be 0, 2, 3, 4, 6 solutions  $u$ .

The Frobenius endomorphism  $\pi = (x^p, y^p)$  is also an isogeny. Here incidentally  $\ker(\pi) = 0$  but  $\deg(\pi) = p$ .

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# Isogenies - Application

Let  $E'$  be an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with  $E'(\mathbb{F}_q)[n] \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  and

$$\psi : E' \rightarrow E$$

an isogeny defined over  $\overline{K}$  of degree coprime to  $qn$ .

Then  $\psi$  is defined over  $K$  and yields an isomorphism

$$E'(K)[n] \rightarrow E(K)[n].$$

Proof: Firstly  $E'$  has the same embedding degree like  $E$  and  $E'(K)[n] \cong (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^2$ . Since  $E'(K)[n] = E'(\overline{K})[n]$ ,  $E(\overline{K})[n] = E(K)[n]$  and  $\psi$  has coprime degree we have an injective homomorphism  $E'(K)[n] \rightarrow E(K)[n]$ , whence an isomorphism. Furthermore

$$(\psi^{\sigma^k} - \psi)(P) = \psi^{\sigma^k}(P) - \psi(P) = \psi(P)^{\sigma^k} - \psi(P) = \mathcal{O}$$

for all  $P \in E'(\mathbb{F}_q)[n]$ , thus  $\psi^{\sigma^k} - \psi = 0$ .

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$E'$  is “pairing-equivalent” to  $E$ :

- ▶ Same embedding degree
- ▶  $E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n] \cong E'(\mathbb{F}_q)[n]$  and  $E(K)[n] \cong E'(K)[n]$
- ▶  $E'(K)[n] \cap nE'(K) = 0$

Proof: Tate implies  $\#E'(K) = \#E(K)$ . So  $\pi^k$  has the same characteristic polynomial on  $E$  and  $E'$  and the same eigenvalues as in a condition on slide 48.

- ▶ Write

$$E'(K) \cong \langle P'_0 \rangle \times \langle Q'_0 \rangle$$

with  $\pi(P'_0) = P'_0$  and  $\pi(Q'_0) = qQ'_0$ .

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Consider now modified pairings

$$G \times G' \rightarrow K^\times[n], \quad (P, Q) \mapsto p_n(P, \psi(Q))$$

for  $G \subseteq E(K)[n]$ ,  $G' \subseteq E'(K)[n]$  and  $\psi : E' \rightarrow E$ .

Usually  $G$  and  $G'$  chosen as cyclic groups.

Need to know  $\psi(P'_0)$  and  $\psi(Q'_0)$ .



# Distortion Maps

Need to know  $\psi(P'_0)$  and  $\psi(Q'_0)$ .

Write

$$(\psi(P'_0), \psi(Q'_0)) = (P_0, Q_0) \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}.$$

Observe  $\pi\psi = \psi^\sigma\pi$ . Then

$$\psi^\sigma(P'_0) = \psi^\sigma(\pi(P'_0)) = \pi(\psi(P_0)) = aP_0 + qbQ_0$$

$$\psi^\sigma(Q'_0) = q^{-1}\psi^\sigma(\pi(Q'_0)) = q^{-1}\pi(\psi(Q_0)) = q^{-1}(cP_0 + qdQ_0)$$

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From this we get

$$(\psi^\sigma(P'_0), \psi^\sigma(Q'_0)) = (P_0, Q_0) \begin{pmatrix} a & q^{-1}c \\ qb & d \end{pmatrix}.$$

Case  $\psi^\sigma = \psi$ : Then  $c \equiv b \equiv 0 \pmod n$  and

$$\psi(P'_0) \in \langle P_0 \rangle \text{ and } \psi(Q'_0) \in \langle Q_0 \rangle.$$

Case  $\psi^\sigma \neq \psi$  “distortion maps”:

Then  $(\psi^\sigma - \psi)(P'_0)$  and  $(\psi^\sigma - \psi)(Q'_0)$  generate  $\langle Q_0 \rangle$  and  $\langle P_0 \rangle$  respectively.

Practice: Usually  $\psi$  already satisfies these conditions in place of  $\psi^\sigma - \psi$  and moreover  $\deg(\psi) = 1$ .

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Consequences for supersingular elliptic curves:

- ▶  $E$  supersingular with embedding degree  $> 1$  iff exists  $\psi \in \text{End}(E)$  st.  $\psi^\sigma \neq \psi$ .
- ▶ Thus have  $E' = E$ ,  $P'_0 = P_0$  and  $Q'_0 = Q_0$ .
- ▶ Have efficiently computable  $\psi \in \text{End}(E)$  with  $\psi(P_0) = Q_0$  and  $\psi(Q_0) = P_0$ .
- ▶ Can obtain modified pairings for any cyclic subgroups of  $E(K)$  using  $\phi_0, \phi_1$  or  $\psi$ .

Symmetric pairings on  $G = E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n]$  for supersingular elliptic curves possible!

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First consequences for ordinary elliptic curves:

- ▶  $E$  ordinary iff  $\psi^\sigma = \psi$  for all  $\psi \in \text{End}(E)$ .
- ▶ Consider first  $E' = E$ ,  $P'_0 = P_0$  and  $Q'_0 = Q_0$ .
- ▶ There is no  $\psi$  with  $\psi(P'_0) \in \langle Q_0 \rangle$  or  $\psi(Q'_0) \in \langle P_0 \rangle$ .
- ▶ No symmetric pairings on  $G = E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n]$ .

Distortion maps do not exist for ordinary elliptic curves.

Then try  $E' \neq E$ .

Need to construct  $E'$  over a subfield  $L$  of  $K$  such that  $E'(L)[n] \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  and there is  $\psi : E' \rightarrow E \dots$

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# Twists

An elliptic curve  $E'$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  is called a twist of  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of degree  $d$  if there is an isomorphism  $\psi : E' \rightarrow E$  such that  $\psi^{\sigma^d} = \psi$  and  $d$  is minimal with this property.

Assume  $E$  ordinary,  $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}_q) \neq 2, 3$ .

▶ Then  $\text{Aut}(E)$  is cyclic of order  $d = \begin{cases} 2 & ab \neq 0 \\ 4 & b = 0 \\ 6 & a = 0 \end{cases}$ .

- ▶  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ .
- ▶ For every  $u \in \text{Aut}(E)$  there is a twist  $E_u$  of  $E$  of degree  $\text{ord}(u)$ .
- ▶ The corresponding  $\psi_u : E_u \rightarrow E$  satisfies  $u\psi_u^\sigma = \psi_u$ .
- ▶ Every twist  $E'$  of  $E$  is obtained this way up to twists of degree one.
- ▶ There are explicit formulae for  $E_u$ ,  $\psi_u$  and  $\#E_u(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

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# Twists - Example

$E : y^2 = x^3 + b, E' : y^2 = x^3 + b'$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  with  $p \neq 2, 3$ .

All automorphisms  $u : E \rightarrow E$  are of the form

$$\phi = (z^2x, z^3y)$$

with  $u \in \overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$  and  $z^6 = 1$ .  $E$  ordinary means  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ .  
Then six automorphisms defined over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ .

All isomorphisms  $\psi : E' \rightarrow E$  are of the form

$$\psi = (w^2x, w^3y)$$

with  $w \in \overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$  and  $w^6 = b/b'$ . So for twist of degree 6 take  $w$  as a 6-th root generating the Kummer extension  $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}/\mathbb{F}_p$ .

Then  $\psi/\psi^\sigma$  is the automorphism corresponding to the 6-th root of unity  $w/w^\sigma$ .

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- ▶ Let  $u \in \text{Aut}(E)$  with  $m = \text{ord}(u) = \gcd(k, d)$  and let  $E'$  denote the corresponding twist of  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{q^{k/m}}$  of degree  $m$ .
- ▶ Write  $P_{0,u} = \psi_u^{-1}(P_0)$  and  $Q_{0,u} = \psi_u^{-1}(Q_0)$ .
- ▶ We have  $\psi_u^{-1} u \pi^{k/m} \psi_u = \psi_u^{-1} u \psi_u^{\sigma^{k/m}} \pi^{k/m} = \pi^{k/m}$  and

$$u(P_0) = \lambda P_0, \quad u(Q_0) = \lambda^{-1} Q_0$$

für  $\lambda^m \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  with same order as  $u$ .

- ▶ Thus

$$\pi^{k/m}(P_{0,u}) = \lambda P_{0,u}, \quad \pi^{k/m}(Q_{0,u}) = \lambda^{-1} q^{k/m} Q_{0,u}.$$

- ▶ There is a unique choice of  $u$  such that  $\lambda \equiv q^{k/m} \pmod{n}$ . Then

$$\pi^{k/m}(P_{0,u}) = q^{k/m} P_{0,u}, \quad \pi^{k/m}(Q_{0,u}) = Q_{0,u}.$$

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Final consequences for ordinary elliptic curves:

- ▶ Let  $E'$  be such a twist of degree  $m = \gcd(k, d)$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{q^{k/m}}$  and  $\psi : E' \rightarrow E$  the corresponding isomorphism.
- ▶ Then  $\psi^{\sigma^{k/m}} \neq \psi$  and

$$\pi^{k/m}(Q'_0) = q^{k/m}Q'_0, \quad \pi^{k/m}(P'_0) = P'_0$$

for  $Q'_0 = \psi^{-1}(P_0)$  and  $P'_0 = \psi^{-1}(Q_0)$ .

- ▶ Thus  $\psi$  is a distortion map.

Efficiently computable pairings

$$E(\mathbb{F}_q)[n] \times E'(\mathbb{F}_{q^{k/m}})[n] \rightarrow K^\times[n]$$

are possible.



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# Minimize Function Evaluations

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Minimize number of function evaluations:

- ▶ Given  $P, Q \in E(K)[n]$ .
- ▶ Take  $D_2 = (Q) - (\mathcal{O})$  and  $D_1 = (P + T) - (T)$  where  $T$  can be chosen arbitrarily in  $E(K)$  such that all points  $\mathcal{O}, Q, T, P + T$  are distinct.
- ▶ There is  $g$  such that  $f_{nD_1} = f_{n((P)-(\mathcal{O}))}g^n$ .
- ▶ Then

$$\begin{aligned}t_n(P, Q) &= f_{nD_1}(D_2)^{(\#K-1)/n} \\&= f_{nD_1}(Q)^{(\#K-1)/n} \cdot f_{nD_1}(\mathcal{O})^{-(\#K-1)/n} \\&= f_{nD_1}(Q)^{(\#K-1)/n} = f_{n((P)-(\mathcal{O}))}g^n(Q)^{(\#K-1)/n} \\&= f_{n((P)-(\mathcal{O}))}(Q)^{(\#K-1)/n}.\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ For the last we have to and may assume  $Q \neq P, \mathcal{O}$ .

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# Denominator Elimination

Use notation from above.

Consider  $\psi : E' \rightarrow E$  with  $\psi(P'_0) = Q_0$ ,  $\psi(Q'_0) = P_0$  and  $\psi^\sigma \neq \psi$ ,  $\psi^{\sigma^2} = \psi$ .

Let  $x : E \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  and  $x' : E' \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  denote the  $x$ -coordinate functions.

We have  $x(Q_0) = x(\psi(P'_0)) \in \mathbb{F}_q$ .

By symmetry,  $x(Q'_0) = x(\psi^{-1}(P_0)) \in \mathbb{F}_q$ .

Implication: If embedding degree even then the  $h_{i,j}$  in Miller's algorithm can be discarded.

Proof:  $\psi^\sigma \psi^{-1} \in \text{Aut}(E)$  has order 2, hence  $\psi^\sigma \psi^{-1} = [-1]$ . Then

$x \circ \psi^\sigma \psi^{-1} = x \circ [-1] = x$ , and  $x \circ \psi^\sigma = x \circ \psi$ . So

$x(\psi(P'_0)) = x(\psi^\sigma(P'_0)) = x(\psi(P'_0)^\sigma) = x(\psi(P'_0))^\sigma$ . Finally,

$h_{i,j}(x)^{(\#K-1)/n} = 1$ .

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# Final Exponentiation

We wish to compute  $z^{(q^k-1)/n}$  in  $K = \mathbb{F}_{q^k}$  for  $k$  even.

We have the following factorisation of  $(q^k - 1)/n$ :

$$(q^k - 1)/n = (q^{k/2} - 1) \cdot \frac{q^{k/2} + 1}{\Phi_k(q)} \cdot \frac{\Phi_k(q)}{n}$$

where  $\Phi_k$  is the  $k$ -th cyclotomic polynomial.

Here the second factor is a polynomial in  $q$  with small coefficients and  $\Phi_k(q)$  is divisible by  $n$ .

Thus raise  $z$  to the power of the first two factors, using  $q$ -powering tricks, and finally raise to the power  $\Phi_k(q)/n$ .

Reduction of exponent bit length by roughly  $\phi(k)/k$ .

Expansion of last factor to base  $q$  leads to further speed-up.

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Similar reductions can be done for the Weil pairing.

Let  $P, Q \in E(K)[n]$  and  $D_1 = (P) - (\mathcal{O})$ ,  $D_2 = (Q) - (\mathcal{O})$ .  
From the general definition we obtain however directly

$$e_n(P, Q) = (-1)^n \frac{f_{n((Q)-(\mathcal{O}))}(P)}{f_{n((P)-(\mathcal{O}))}(Q)}.$$

If the embedding degree  $k$  is even and  $P \in \langle P_0 \rangle$ ,  $Q \in \langle Q_0 \rangle$ ,  
denominator elimination can be bought for a cheap final  
exponentiation by  $q^{k/2} - 1$ .

# Further Techniques

- ▶ For hashing use cofactor multiplication techniques similar to final exponentiation.
- ▶ Use pairing friendly fields.
- ▶ Apply standard exponentiation tricks to Miller loop: Low Hamming weight  $n$ , addition-subtraction chains, sliding windows, adapt the base in characteristic three, ...
- ▶ Use different Miller reduction ...
- ▶ Use pairing value compression ...
- ▶ Use parallel computation and hardware ...

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# General Pairing Functions

- ▶ Have used pairing functions of the form  $f_{n((P)-(\mathcal{O}))}$  only so far.
- ▶ Are there other suitable functions of smaller degree, possibly with supported on more points?
- ▶ Complete overview of functions that define pairings?
- ▶ Pairing functions have worked for pairings defined on all of  $E(K)[n]$  so far.
- ▶ Denominator elimination technique can be seen as simplification of pairings when restricted to special inputs.
- ▶ “Interpolation” becomes easier when restricted to smaller point sets.

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Let  $s \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $s \equiv q \pmod{n}$  and  $s^k \equiv 1 \pmod{n^2}$ .

Exists since  $\gcd(k, n) = 1$ .

Let  $h = \sum_{i=0}^d h_i x^i \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  with  $h(s) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ .

Let  $R \in E(K)[n]$ .

Define  $f_{h,R} \in K(E)$  monic such that

$$\operatorname{div}(f_{h,R}) = \sum_{i=0}^d h_i ((s^i R) - (\mathcal{O})).$$

Exists since

$$\operatorname{AJ} \left( \sum_{i=0}^d h_i ((s^i R) - (\mathcal{O})) \right) = \left( \sum_{i=0}^d h_i s^i \right) R - (\mathcal{O}) = \mathcal{O}.$$

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Let  $h \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  with  $h(s) \equiv 0 \pmod{n^2}$ . Then

$$a_h : \langle Q_0 \rangle \times \langle P_0 \rangle \rightarrow K^\times[n], \quad a_h(Q, P) = f_{h,Q}(P)^{(\#K-1)/n}$$

is a bilinear map with

$$a_h(Q, P) = t_n^{\text{red}}(Q, P)^{h(s)/n}.$$

Thus  $a_h$  is non degenerate iff  $\gcd(h(s)/n, n) = 1$ .

- Any function supported on  $s^i Q$  for  $0 \leq i \leq k-1$  is of the form  $f = f_{h,Q}$  (see AJ map). Thus have exhaustive classification of such pairing functions.

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Assume  $E$  has an automorphism defined over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of order equal to embedding degree  $k$  and  $n$  odd.

Let  $h \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  with  $h(s) \equiv 0 \pmod{n^2}$ . There is  $z_h \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times[k]$  such that

$$b_h : \langle P_0 \rangle \times \langle Q_0 \rangle \rightarrow K^\times[n], \quad b_h(P, Q) = f_{h,P}(Q)^{(\#K-1)/n}$$

$$w_h : \langle P_0 \rangle \times \langle Q_0 \rangle \rightarrow K^\times[n], \quad w_h(P, Q) = z_h \frac{f_{h,Q}(P)}{f_{h,P}(Q)}$$

are bilinear maps with

$$b_h(P, Q) = t_n^{\text{red}}(P, Q)^{h(s)/n}, \quad w_h(P, Q) = e_n(P, Q)^{h(s)/n}.$$

Thus  $b_h$  and  $w_h$  are non deg iff  $\gcd(h(s)/n, n) = 1$ .

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Statements about  $h$ :

- ▶ Conditions  $\deg(h) \leq k - 1$  and  $h(s) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$  yield a lattice of all possible  $h$ .
- ▶ Gives lower bound  $\approx n^{1/\phi(k)}$  on sum of absolute values of coefficients of  $h$ .
- ▶ Lattice reduction constructs  $h$  with upper bound  $\approx n^{1/\phi(k)}$ .

Further variants:

- ▶ Use endomorphisms for yet different pairing functions.
- ▶ Adapt statements to parametric families using lattices over polynomial rings.

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Paper	Pairing	$h$
BKLS 2001 / M 2003 (Tate / Weil)	$a_h, b_h, w_h$	$r$
BGOS 2005 (Eta)	$b_h$	$x - t(E) + 1$
HSV 2006 (Ate, twisted)	$a_h, b_h$	$x - t(E) + 1$
MKHO 2007 / ZZH 2007 (optimised ate)	$a_h, b_h$	$x^i - d$
LLP 2008 ( $R$ -ate)	$a_h, b_h$	$x^{ij} - d_1 x^i - d_2$
ZZ 2008	$w_h^c$	$x^i - d$
V 2008/10 (optimal ate)	$a_h$	beliebig
H 2008	$a_h, b_h, w_h$	beliebig
(+ use of endos, proofs)		
...	...	...
AFKMR 2012 fast implementation	$a_h, w_h$	$z - x, z + 3x - x^4,$ $6z + 2 + x - x^2 + x^3$

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Let  $E : y^2 = x^3 + 4$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with

$q = 41761713112311845269$ ,  
 $n = 715827883$ ,  $k = 31$ ,  $h = x + 2$ .

Then

$$a_h : \langle Q_0 \rangle \times \langle P_0 \rangle \rightarrow \mu_r,$$

$$(Q, P) \mapsto (y_P - 3x_Q^2/(2y_Q)x_P - (-x_Q^3 + 8)/(2y_Q))^{(q^k-1)/n}$$

is a pairing.

Has exceptionally small pairing function!

# Proof of Main Theorem

Let  $g, h \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  with  $h(s) \equiv 0 \pmod n$ .

- ▶ If  $g(s) \equiv 0 \pmod n$  have

$$f_{g,R} = f_{h,R} \text{ iff } g \equiv h \pmod{x^k - 1}.$$

Furthermore have additivity

$$f_{g+h,R} = f_{g,R} f_{h,R}.$$

- ▶ Let  $P \in \langle P_0 \rangle$ ,  $Q \in \langle Q_0 \rangle$ . Then

$$f_{xh,Q}(P) = f_{h,Q}(P)^q.$$

Proof: 
$$\begin{aligned} f_{xh,Q}(P) &= f_{h,sQ}(P) = f_{h,qQ}(P) = f_{h,Q^\sigma}(P) \\ &= f_{h,Q^\sigma}(P^\sigma) = f_{h,Q}(P)^\sigma = f_{h,Q}(P)^q \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Have multiplicativity (constant polynomials included)

$$f_{gh,Q}(P) = f_{h,Q}(P)^{g(q)}$$

# Proof of Main Theorem

Define

$$a_h : \langle Q_0 \rangle \times \langle P_0 \rangle \rightarrow K^\times[n]$$

by

$$a_h(Q, P) = f_{h,Q}(P)^{(\#K-1)/n}$$

- ▶  $a_h$  is additive and multiplicative in  $h$  as before.
- ▶  $a_g$  and  $a_h$  defined by same fcts iff  $g \equiv h \pmod{x^k - 1}$ .
- ▶  $a_h = t_n^{\text{red}}$  for  $h = n$ .

For proof of main theorem it suffices to show the relation

$$a_h(Q, P) = t_n^{\text{red}}(Q, P)^{h(s)/n}$$

for general  $h$ . Then all properties of  $a_h$  follow from the properties of  $t_n^{\text{red}}(Q, P)^{h(s)/n}$ .

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- ▶ Trivial for  $x - s$ :

$$a_{x-s}(Q, P) = 1.$$

Proof: Let  $g = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} x^i s^{k-1-i}$ . Then  $g(x)(x - s) = x^k - s^k$  and  $g(q) = kq^{k-1}$  coprime to  $n$ . We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= a_n(Q, P)^{(1-s^k)/n} = a_{1-s^k}(Q, P) \\ &= a_{x^k-s^k}(Q, P) = a_{g(x)(x-s)}(Q, P) \\ &= a_{x-s}(Q, P)^{g(q)} = a_{x-s}(Q, P)^{kq^{k-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $a_{x-s}(Q, P) = 1$ .

- ▶ Relation with reduced Tate pairing:

$$a_h(Q, P) = a_n(Q, P)^{h(s)/n} = t_n^{\text{red}}(Q, P)^{h(s)/n}.$$

Proof: With  $h = g(x)(x - s) + h(s)$  obtain

$$a_h(Q, P) = a_{x-s}(Q, P)^{g(q)} a_{h(s)}(Q, P) = a_n(Q, P)^{h(s)/n}.$$

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# Pairing Types

Can/Have to choose groups  $G$  and  $G'$  for pairing according to needs:

- ▶ Hashing possible/efficient
- ▶ Short representations
- ▶ Homomorphisms between groups

Type 1  $G = G'$ :

Modified pairing on supersingular curve  $E$  with distortion map and small degree pairing function, embedding degree 2, 4, 6.

Type 2  $G \neq G'$  with efficiently computable  $\phi : G' \rightarrow G$ , no hashing in  $G'$ :

Pairing on ordinary curve  $E$  with  $G = \langle P_0 \rangle$ ,  $G' = \langle \lambda P_0 + \mu Q_0 \rangle$ ,  $\phi = \phi_0$  trace map, arbitrary embedding degree.

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**Type 3**  $G \neq G'$  no homomorphism, hashing in  $G'$  slower than in  $G$ :

Modified pairings on ordinary curves  $E, E'$  with  $G = \langle P_0 \rangle$ ,  $G' = \langle P'_0 \rangle$ , distortion map is non rational twisting isomorphism, arbitrary embedding degree for  $G$ , embedding degree 2, 4, 6 for  $G'$ , small degree pairing function.

**Type 4**  $G' = E(K)[n]$ :

Pairing on ordinary curves  $E$  with  $G = \langle P_0 \rangle$ , arbitrary embedding degree for  $G$ .

Type 3 usually most efficient.

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# Asymptotic Embedding Degree

Most important parameter: Embedding degree  $k$ .

DLP security in  $E(\mathbb{F}_q)$  grows like  $e^{1/2 \log q}$  assuming  $n \approx q$ .

DLP security in  $K^\times = \mathbb{F}_{q^k}^\times$  grows like  $e^{c(k \log q)^{1/3}}$ .

Should be balanced, hence  $k \approx (\log q)^{2/3}$ .

Symm	ECC	RSA	$k$
80	160	1024	6
128	256	3072	12
192	384	7680	20
256	512	15360	30

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# MNT Conditions

MNT conditions on  $q$ ,  $n$ ,  $t = q + 1 - \#E(\mathbb{F}_q)$  and  $k$ :

- ▶  $q + 1 - t = cn$  with  $c$  small (e.g.  $c = 1$ ).
- ▶  $\phi_k(t - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$  (implies  $q^k - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ ).
- ▶  $q$  prime power,  $|t| \leq 2\sqrt{q}$ .
- ▶  $4q - t^2 = Df^2$  with  $D$  small for CM method.
- ▶  $\rho = \log(q)/\log(n)$  should be as small as possible (e.g.  $\approx 1$ ).

Supersingular curves always  $k \in \{2, 3, 4, 6\}$  and  $\rho \approx 1$ .

Finding solutions for arbitrary  $k$  and prime  $n$  with  $\rho \approx 2$  by clever searching algorithms is fairly easy.

For  $\rho \approx 1$  solutions are very scarce! In such cases parametric solutions are of great help.

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# Supersingular Elliptic Curves

## Overview over supersingular elliptic curves and some distortion maps.

$q$	Curve	$\#E(\mathbb{F}_q)$	$k$	$\psi$
$2^p$	$y^2 + y = x^3$	$2^p + 1$	2	$(x, y) \rightarrow (x + 1, y + x + \xi)$
$2^p$	$y^2 + y = x^3 + x$	$2^p + 1 + t_2(p)$	4	$(x, y) \rightarrow (\xi^2 x + \zeta^2, y + \xi^2 \zeta x + \mu)$
$2^p$	$y^2 + y = x^3 + x + 1$	$2^p + 1 - t_2(p)$	4	$(x, y) \rightarrow (\xi^2 x + \zeta^2, y + \xi^2 \zeta x + \mu)$
$3^p$	$y^2 = x^3 + x$	$3^p + 1$	2	$(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, iy)$
$3^p$	$y^2 = x^3 - x + 1$	$3^p + 1 + t_3(p)$	6	$(x, y) \rightarrow (-x + \tau_1, iy)$
$3^p$	$y^2 = x^3 - x - 1$	$3^p + 1 - t_3(p)$	6	$(x, y) \rightarrow (-x + \tau_{-1}, iy)$
$p$	$y^2 = x^3 + b$	$p + 1$	2	$(x, y) \rightarrow (\xi x, y)$
$p$	$y^2 = x^3 + ax$	$p + 1$	2	$(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, iy)$

Here  $E(\mathbb{F}_{q^k}) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/c\mathbb{Z})^2$  and  $p$  denotes a prime  $\geq 5$  and

$$t_2(p) = \begin{cases} 2^{(p+1)/2} & \text{for } p \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7 \pmod{24} \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}, \\ -2^{(p+1)/2} & \text{for } p \equiv \pm 5, \pm 11 \pmod{24} \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{8}, \end{cases}$$

$$t_3(p) = \begin{cases} 3^{(p+1)/2} & \text{for } p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{12}, \\ -3^{(p+1)/2} & \text{for } p \equiv \pm 5 \pmod{12}. \end{cases}$$

Furthermore,  $\psi$  is a distortion map with

$$\begin{aligned} \xi^2 + \xi + 1 &= 0, & \zeta^4 + \zeta + \xi + 1 &= 0, \\ \mu^2 + \mu + \zeta^6 + \zeta^2 &= 0, & \tau_s^3 - \tau_s - s &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

and  $i^2 + 1 = 0$ . In order that  $\xi \notin \mathbb{F}_p$  we need  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  and for  $i \notin \mathbb{F}_p$  we need  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

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# Ordinary Curves - Search Strategy

Search strategy for ordinary elliptic curves:

- ▶ We require  $n$  prime and  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{k}$ .
- ▶ Assume  $4q = t^2 + Df^2$ . Since  $t^2, f^2, -D \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$  we have  $t$  even and  $D$  or  $f$  even.
- ▶ Thus there are integers  $t' = t/2$ ,  $f' = f/2$  and  $D' = D$ , or  $f' = f$  and  $D' = D/2$  such that  $q = t'^2 + D'f'^2$  and

$$(t' - 1)^2 + D'f'^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$$

- ▶ Choose  $t'$  such that  $\Phi_k(2t') \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ . Then there are two values for  $f'$  modulo  $n$ .
- ▶ Search over  $f'$  until  $q = t'^2 + D'f'^2$  is prime.

Can be adapted to composite  $n$ , as long as square root of  $-D'$  modulo  $n$  is known. This is possible if  $D' = k$  is prime,  $k \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and a suitable  $k$ -th root of unity is known.

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# Parametric Solutions - Barreto/Naehrig Curves

For  $k = 12$ ,  $D = 3$  and  $E : y^2 = x^3 + b$ :

Let

- ▶  $t(z) := 6z^2 + 1$
- ▶  $q(z) := 36z^4 + 36z^3 + 24z^2 + 6z + 1$
- ▶  $n(z) := q(z) + 1 - t(z)$ .

Then

- ▶  $\Phi_{12}(q(z)) \equiv 0 \pmod{n(z)}$
- ▶  $4q(z) - t(z)^2 = 3(6z^2 + 4z + 1)^2$

Construction:

- ▶ Find  $x$  such that  $q(\pm x)$  and  $n(\pm x)$  are primes.
- ▶ Check  $\#E(\mathbb{F}_q) = n(\pm x)$  for randomly chosen  $b \in \mathbb{F}_q$ .
- ▶ Then  $E$  satisfies all conditions and  $k = 12$ .

No CM construction necessary, suitable  $E$  is found very fast.

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# Attractive Parametric Families

BN curves:  $k = 12$ ,  $\rho \approx 1$ , suitable for 128 bit.

- ▶  $p(z) = 36z^4 + 36z^3 + 24z^2 + 6z + 1$
- ▶  $r(z) = 36z^4 + 36z^3 + 18z^2 + 6z + 1$
- ▶  $t(z) = 6z^2 + 1, \quad h(x) = 6z + 1 + x - x^2 + x^3$

BLS12 curves:  $k = 12$ ,  $\rho \approx 1.5$ , suitable for 192 bit.

- ▶  $p(z) = (z - 1)^2(z^4 - z^2 + 1)/3 + z$
- ▶  $r(z) = z^4 - z^2 + 1$
- ▶  $t(z) = z + 1, \quad h(x) = z - x.$

BLS24 curves:  $k = 24$ ,  $\rho \approx 1.25$ , suitable for 256 bit.

- ▶  $p(z) = (z - 1)^2(z^8 - z^4 + 1)/3 + z$
- ▶  $r(z) = z^8 - z^4 + 1$
- ▶  $t(z) = z + 1, \quad h(x) = z - x.$

There are many more families for  $2 \leq k \leq 50$ .

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# Remarks

Further topics:

- ▶ Many more constructions in “Taxonomy of Pairing-Friendly Elliptic Curves”.
- ▶ Use subfamilies for further optimisations, e.g. pairing friendly  $\mathbb{F}_{q^k}$ .
- ▶ Consider special hardware situations.
- ▶ Weil pairings offer advantage in multi-processor environment.

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# Pairing Inversion

There are many attacks on elliptic curves and finite fields.  
Here consider pairing specific attacks, more precisely pairing inversion.

Has not been intensely researched ...

- ▶ Choose subgroups  $G_1, G_2$  of  $\text{Pic}_K^0(E)[n]$ .
- ▶ Then have pairing  $e : G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow K^\times[n]$ ,

$$(\bar{D}_1, \bar{D}_2) \mapsto g_{D_1}(D_2).$$

- ▶ Independent of choices of  $D_1, D_2$  but need to be co-prime.
- ▶ Given  $z \in K^\times[n]$  and given at most one of  $D_1, D_2$  find the rest such that

$$g_{D_1}(D_2) = z.$$

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- ▶ Necessary condition  $\deg(g_{D_1}) \geq n$ .
- ▶ Under special choice of  $n, E, k, G_1, G_2, D_1$  we can obtain

$$g_{D_1} = h_{D_1}^{(\#K-1)/n} \text{ with } \deg(h_{D_1}) \approx n^{1/\varphi(k)}.$$

For bigger  $k$  necessarily  $G_2 \subseteq E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

- ▶ This means  $\deg(h_{D_1})$  can be small, maybe inversion easier then?

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Pairing function  $g_{D_1}$  of smallest degree again:

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- ▶ Then

$$([Q] - [O], [P] - [O]) \mapsto (y_P - 3x_Q^2/(2y_Q)x_P - (-x_Q^3 + 8)/(2y_Q))^{(q^k - 1)/n}$$

defines a pairing.

- ▶ There is an asymptotic family with linear  $h_{D_1}$ .

# Pairing Inversion

Naive approaches:

- ▶ We can obtain  $g_{D_1} = h_{D_1}^{(\#K-1)/n}$  with small  $g_{D_1}$ , need to solve

$$h_{D_1}(D_2)^{(\#K-1)/n} = z$$

in  $D_2$  with  $AJ(D_2) \in G_2 \subseteq E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

- ▶ Computing  $D_2 = [P] - [O]$  from  $h_{D_1}(D_2)$  is easy.
- ▶  $z \mapsto z^{(\#K-1)/n}$  is many-to-one, computing random preimages is easy.
- ▶ Problem: Which preimage  $z_0$  is the correct one?
- ▶ Or use more general  $D_2$ , that is solve something like

$$\prod_{i=1}^k h_{D_1}([P_i] - [O]) = z_0$$

in the  $P_i$  for any preimage  $z_0$ . But high degree, many variables and terms ...

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Remarks:

- ▶ For the standard Tate pairing  $z_0$  can be taken arbitrary but solving  $h_{D_1}(D_2) = z_0$  hard because  $\deg(h_{D_1}) = r$ .
- ▶ Other approaches interpolate an inverse to the Weil pairing, but no efficient representation.
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