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**Definition 2.** The *kernel*  $\ker \varphi$  are the points  $P \in E$  that are mapped to infinity  $\mathcal{O}' \in E'$ . For all isogenies we will care about, the degree  $\deg \varphi$  is equal to the size of  $\ker \varphi$ .

$$\ker \varphi := \{ P \in E \mid \varphi(P) = \mathcal{O}' \}.$$