

# The point decomposition problem in Jacobian varieties

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# Discrete Logarithm Problem (DLP)

Let  $g, h = [x] \cdot g \in (G, +)$ , with  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Compute  $x$ .

**Is this a hard problem ?**

Classic

- Generic group: **yes**
- For some groups: **no**
- Cryptography: **“yes”**

Quantum

**“NO”**

Security basis for Diffie-Hellman, El-Gamal, Digital Signatures,...

Today's groups:

**Elliptic curves  $E(\mathbb{F}_q)$**

**Jacobian of algebraic curves  $\mathcal{J}_{\mathbb{F}_q}(\mathcal{C})$**

# Computing Discrete Logs

exp. time

DLP ON CURVES

Generic alg.

$g$  : genus  
 $q$  : #Field

Index Calculus

lower bound:  $\Omega(q^{\frac{g}{2}})$

Baby-steps  
Giant-steps  
 $\rho$ -Pollard  
 $O(q^{\frac{g}{2}})$

"Small genus"

$g \geq 2$   
 $\sim O(q^{2 - \frac{2}{g}})$   
[G'00], [D'07]  
[GTDD'07]

Decomposition  
 $q = \mathbf{q}^n$   
 $O(\mathbf{q}^{2 - \frac{2}{ng}})$   
[G'09,D'11],[N'10]  
[GTDD'07]

subexp. time

"Large genus"

$L_{q^g}(1/2)$   
[ADH'99], [EGS'02]

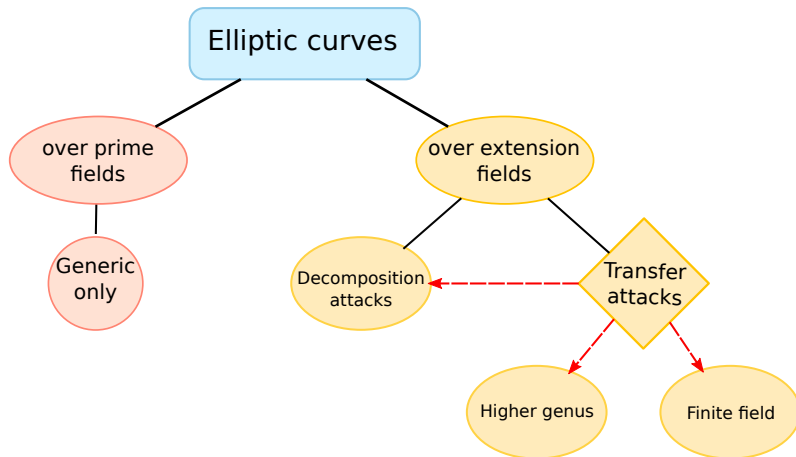
"Large degree"

$L_{q^g}(1/3)$   
[EGTT'13]

poly. time

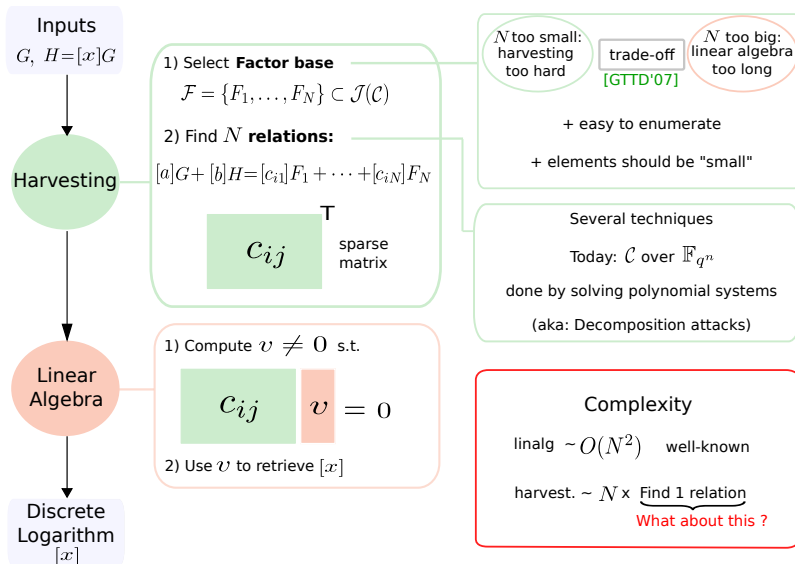
# Situation for elliptic curves

For cryptography: **mostly elliptic curves** ( $g = 1$ )



# About Index-Calculus

$\mathcal{C}$  : algebraic curve     $G \in \mathcal{J}(\mathcal{C})$  : Jacobian variety of  $\mathcal{C}$



**Today's target:** harvesting in Index-Calculus for curves over  $\mathbb{F}_{q^n}$ .

Motivations:

Algorithmic  
Number Theory

Computational  
Algebraic Geometry

Cryptography

Compute discrete logs in abelian varieties.  
How efficient can we be ?

Transfer attacks !

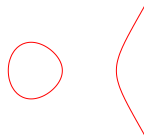
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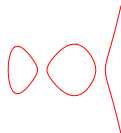
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$g = 1$ : elliptic:  $y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B, A, B \in \mathbb{F}_q$



$g = 2$ : hyperelliptic:  $y^2 + h_1(x)y = x^5 + \dots$

$h_1 \in \mathbb{F}_q[x], \deg h_1 \leq 2$



$g \geq 3$ : hyperelliptic:  $y^2 + h_1(x)y = x^{2g+1} + \dots$

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Non-hyperelliptic (all the rest).



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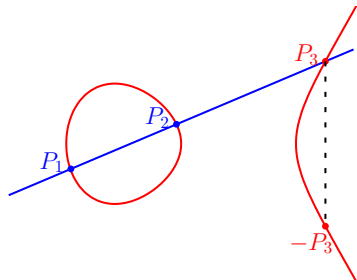
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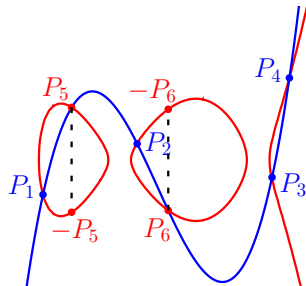
Ex:  $g = 2$ ,  $\mathcal{H}$  hyperelliptic, point at infinity  $\mathcal{O}$

**Cubic** through  $P_1, \dots, P_4$ :  $f(x, y) = 0$

In  $\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{H})$ :  $P_1 + \dots + P_6 - 6\mathcal{O} = 0$

so that:

$$\underbrace{(P_1 + P_2 - 2\mathcal{O})}_{D_1} + \underbrace{(P_3 + P_4 - 2\mathcal{O})}_{D_2} = \underbrace{[-P_5] + [-P_6] - 2\mathcal{O}}_{D_3}$$



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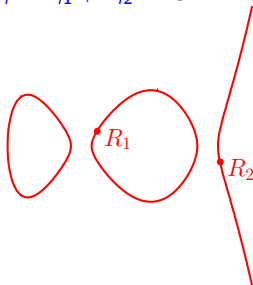
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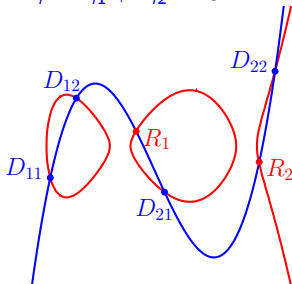
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**Finding relations  $\sim$  solving Polynomial systems.**

For  $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{ng}$ ,  $\{N_{ij}(\bar{a}_i) = 0\}_{i \leq m, j > 0}$  is generally 0-dimensional.

# Solving 0-dimensional systems with Gröbner Bases tools

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In  
PDP <sub>$ng$</sub>  setting  
 $\mathbb{F}_{q^n}$ , genus  $g$

$$\Delta = \tilde{O}(D^{1/n})$$

$$D = 2^{n(n-1)g}$$

**1 relation  
costs**  
 $O((ng)!D^\omega)$

+ Proba that all roots of  $DP_R$  in  $\mathbb{F}_q \sim 1/(ng)!$

$D$  is the main complexity parameter.  
Can we reduce it ?

## Known reductions:

[FGHR'14], [FHJRV'14], [GG'14]

Uses Summation polynomials and symmetries (invariant theory)

only for  $g = 1$  (elliptic curves).

## Higher genus:

No reduction known before

Ex:  $g = 2, n = 3, \log q = 15$   
Find 1 relation  $\sim 12$  days.

## Contributions<sup>1</sup>:

- Reduction of  $D$  for **hyperelliptic** curves of all genus, **if  $q = 2^n$** .
- Practical harvesting on a meaningful curve ( $\#\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{H}) \sim 184$  bits prime).

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<sup>1</sup>J-C. Faugère, A.W., *The Point Decomposition Problem in Hyperelliptic Curves*. Designs, Codes and Cryptography [In revision]

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$N_i(\mathbf{a})$  square  $\Rightarrow \forall j, N_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{a}})$  squares  $\Rightarrow$  **replace quadratic eqs by linear eqs**

## Proposition: Number of squares

Let  $h_1(x) = \sum_{i=\mathbf{t}}^{\mathbf{s}} \alpha_i x^i$ , and let  $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{s} - \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{1}$  be the **length** of  $h_1(x)$ .  
There are exactly  $\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{L} - \mathbf{1}$  squares among the  $N_i(\mathbf{a})$ .

Consequence:  $(\mathbf{n} - \mathbf{1})(\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{L} - \mathbf{1})$  replacements in  $\{N_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{a}}) = 0\}_{j>0, i \leq ng}$ .  
Find  $\mathbf{n} - \mathbf{1}$  more if  $\alpha_s \in \mathbb{F}_{2^k}$ .

## Structure of $DP_R$ in even characteristic, part 2

In  $\mathcal{H} : y^2 + h_1(x)y = h_0(x)$ , we usually have  $h_1(x)$  monic.

Proposition:  $N_{m-1}$  is univariate

Let  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_d)$ . Then  $N_{m-1}(\mathbf{a}_d) = \mathbf{a}_d^2 + \mathbf{a}_d + \lambda$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_{2^{kn}}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Rewrite: } N_{m-1}(\mathbf{a}_d) &= a_{d,0}^2 + a_{d,0} + \lambda_0 + \sum_{j \geq 1} a_{d,j}^2 \mathbf{t}^{2j} + \sum_{j \geq 1} (a_{d,j} + \lambda_j) \mathbf{t}^j \\ &= N_{m-1,0}(\bar{\mathbf{a}}_d) + \sum_{j \geq 1} N_{m-1,j}(\mathbf{a}_{d,1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{d,n-1}) \mathbf{t}^j.\end{aligned}$$

Proposition: “presolving”

$\{N_{m-1,j}(\mathbf{a}_{d,1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{d,n-1})\}_{j \geq 1}$  is 0-dimensional and has a solution in  $\mathbb{F}_{2^k}$  whp.

Consequence: determines  $\mathbf{n} - 1$  vars in the full system, removes  $\mathbf{n} - 1$  eqs.

# Analysis of degree reduction

Base field  $\mathbb{F}_{2^{kn}}$ ,  $m = ng$ . Implies  $d = (n-1)g$ . Let  $\mathbf{L}$  be the length of  $h_1$ .

## Genericity assumption:

$\text{PDP}_{ng}$  systems behave like regular systems of dimension 0.

Before reduction:

- $\#\bar{\mathbf{a}} = n(n-1)g$
- $\#\text{eqs} = n(n-1)g$
- Eqs have  $\deg = 2$

$$\Rightarrow d_{\text{old}} = 2^{n(n-1)g}$$

After reduction:

- $n-1$  determined vars
- $(n-1)(g-\mathbf{L}-1)$  linear eqs
- remaining have  $\deg = 2$

$$\Rightarrow d_{\text{new}} = 2^{(n-1)((n-1)g+\mathbf{L}-2)}$$

$$2^{(n-1)((n-1)g-1)} \leq d_{\text{new}} \leq 2^{(n-1)(ng-1)}$$

factor

$$2^{(n-1)(g+1)}$$

$$\frac{d_{\text{old}}}{d_{\text{new}}}$$

$$2^{n-1}$$

# Impact of the reduction

For  $g = 2$ ,  $n = 3$ ,  $d_{old} = 2^{12} = 4096$ ,  $d_{new} = 2^6 = 64$ .

- Toy-example for one  $PDP_6$  instance:

fields	tool	time for $d_{old}$	time for $d_{new}$	ratio
$\mathbb{F}_{2^{45}}   \mathbb{F}_{2^{15}}$	Magma 2.19	$\sim 1500s$	$\sim 0.029s$	<b>75000</b>

- $\mathcal{H}$  with  $L_{h_1} = 1$ , over  $\mathbb{F}_{2^{93}} = \mathbb{F}_{2^{31 \cdot 3}}$  and  $\#\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{H}) = 2 \times 3 \times p$ , with  $\log p = 184$ .

#cores	tool	old	this work
8000	C (optimized <sup>2</sup> )	$\sim 30$ <b>years</b> <b>unfeasible</b>	$\sim 7$ <b>days</b> <b>practical</b>

- comparison with recent DL over 768 bits finite field:

	#rels	harvesting time	matrix size*	matrix density*	$\log p$	#linalg.
[KDL+'17]	$\sim 2^{33}$	6 months	$2^{24}$	184	768	$\sim 2^{56}$
our work	$\sim 2^{31}$	7 days	$2^{28}$	87	184	$\sim 2^{63}$

<sup>2</sup>F5 with code gen., Sparse-FGLM [FM'11], NTL lib.

**Target:** harvesting in Index-Calculus for hyperelliptic curves over  $\mathbb{F}_{q^n}$ .

Results:

- degree reduction if  $q = 2^k$  for hyperelliptics
- practical, meaningful computations in genus 2

Questions:

- What about  $q$  odd ?
- What about non-hyperelliptics ?
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- Works for even and odd characteristic.
- Enables factor basis reduction  $\Rightarrow$  faster linear algebra

**Let's see how it is done.**

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# Summation polynomials for elliptic curves

Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}$  with point at infinity  $\mathcal{O}$ , and  $m \geq 3$ .

## Definition

The  $m^{\text{th}}$  **summation polynomial** for  $E$  is  $S_m \in \mathbb{F}[X_1, \dots, X_m]$  generating the projection of the “group law ideal” over a set of coordinates:

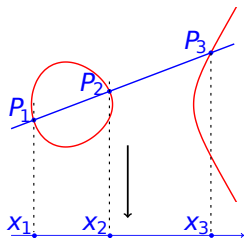
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## Projection of the group law on the x-line

$$P_1 + P_2 + P_3 = \mathcal{O}$$

algebra  $\downarrow$   $\uparrow$  geometry

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Set factor base:

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$$\text{Then we can write: } S_{n+1}(x_R, X_1, \dots, X_n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} s_i(X_{1,0}, \dots, X_{n,n-1}) \mathbf{t}^i$$

We want  $P_i \in \mathcal{F}$ :

$$S_{n+1}(x_R, X_1, \dots, X_n) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad W = \begin{cases} s_1(X_1, \dots, X_n) = 0 \\ \vdots \\ s_n(X_1, \dots, X_n) = 0 \end{cases}$$

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all 2-torsion is rational	$2^{(n-1)(n-2)}$	" $= 8$ "	[FHJRV'14] <sup>†*</sup> , any model

**Now what about other curves ?**

†: size of factor base is also reduced.

\*: close to threaten Brainpool Curve! (over  $\mathbb{F}_{31.5}$ ).

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# Summation ideals

## Theorem

*The ideal  $\mathcal{I}_{m,R} \subset \mathbb{F}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{e}]$  is a polynomial parametrization of  $\mathcal{V}_{m,R}^{\mathcal{S}_m}$ .*

Conditions in  $\mathbf{e} = \text{Sym}(x_i)$  : **eliminate  $\mathbf{a}$**

Geometry  
projection onto  $\mathbf{e}$

Algebra  
Gröbner basis of  $\mathcal{I}_{m,R} \cap \mathbb{F}[\mathbf{e}]$ .

## $m^{\text{th}}$ Summation Ideals

For  $m \geq g + 1$ , the  $\mathbf{m}^{\text{th}}$  **summation ideal** for  $\mathcal{H}$  is  $\mathcal{I}_{m,R} \cap \mathbb{F}[\mathbf{e}]$ .

If  $\langle \mathcal{S}_{m,R} \rangle = \mathcal{I}_{m,R} \cap \mathbb{F}[\mathbf{e}]$ , then  $\mathcal{S}_{m,R}$  is called a **set of  $\mathbf{m}$ -summation polynomials**, or a  **$\mathbf{m}^{\text{th}}$  summation set**.



# Properties of Summation Ideals

$\mathbb{S}_{m,R}(\mathbf{x})$  : evaluation of all  $S \in \mathbb{S}_{m,R}$  at  $\mathbf{x}$ .  $\mathcal{H}$  hyperelliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

## Summation property

$$\mathbb{S}_{m,R}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \exists y_1, \dots, y_m \in \overline{\mathbb{F}} \text{ s.t. } P_i = (x_i, y_i) \in \mathcal{H} \text{ and } (P_1) + \dots + (P_m) = R.$$

## Invariance by permutations

$\langle \mathbb{S}_{m,R} \rangle^{\mathfrak{S}_m} = \langle \mathbb{S}_{m,R} \rangle$ , and the modelling computes a symmetrized summation set.

Let  $\mathbf{V} = V(\mathcal{I}_{m,R} \cap \mathbb{F}[\mathbf{e}])$ :

$\text{Codim } \mathbf{V} = g \Rightarrow \#\mathbb{S}_{m,R} \geq g$   
in practice,  $\#\mathbb{S}_{m,R} \gg g$

**Heuristic:**  $\deg \mathbf{V} = 2^{m-g}$   
[D'11]: proven for  $g = 1$

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$$r \geq g = \text{Codim } \mathbf{V}$$

$$\deg \mathbf{V} = 2^{(n-1)g}$$

$$W \subset \mathcal{W}_n(\mathbf{V})$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$\deg W = (\deg \mathbf{V})^n = 2^{n(n-1)g}$$

**Same degree as Nagao's approach**

## Structure of $DP_R$ in even characteristic, the return

$\mathcal{H} : y^2 + h_1(x)y = h_0(x)$  hyperelliptic of genus  $g$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{2^{kn}}$ ,  $R \in \mathcal{J}(\mathcal{H})$ .

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**Recall: there are squares among the  $N_i(\mathbf{a})$  !**

In Nagao's approach:

$N_i(\mathbf{a})$  square  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{N_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{a}})} = 0$

**Replaced by linear equations**

First part of the talk

In Summation approach:

Induces **weight system** on the  $e_i$ 's.

**"Weighted degree is smaller."**

What does this mean ?

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## Theorem

With  $\varphi(e_i) = e_i^{w_i}$ ,  $\mathcal{I}_e$  is the radical of  $\varphi(\mathcal{J}_e)$ .

**Applications:** Find points in  $V(\mathcal{J}_e)$  instead of  $V(\mathcal{I}_e)$ .

“Weighted degree of  $\mathcal{J}_e$  is smaller than  $\deg \mathcal{I}_e$ ”

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**Corollary:** In  $\text{PDP}_{ng}$  instances ( $m = ng$ ), with  $L = \text{length of } h_1$ :

$$\deg W = C^n \cdot \frac{d_{old}}{2^{(n-1)(g-L+1)+n(L-1)}} = \frac{d_{old}}{2^{(n-1)(g-L+1)}}.$$



## Comparison of approaches after reduction

With additional reductions, same reduction as in the first part of the talk.

	Best reduction	Implementation	Best running time <sup>†</sup>
Nagao	immediate when $\mathbf{L} = 0$	Easy	$\approx 0.029\text{s.}$
Summation	needs $\mathbf{L} = 0$ and additional work	Tricky	$\approx 0.34\text{s.}$

**In practice: better use approach of the first part.**

<sup>†</sup>: on toy examples ( $\sim \mathbb{F}_{2^{45}}$ )

**Limits:** if  $g \geq 2$ , **can't reduce degree in odd char.**

**Why?**

- Degree of equations too small to exploit **Frobeniuses**
- Summation Variety not invariant under **Jacobian 2-torsion**

“Summation” framework for Abelian varieties

Generalization with **Kummer varieties**

Arithmetic in  $g = 2$  well-understood  
**(theta functions)**

Explicit “Jacobian” summation polynomials

**Exploitation of more symmetries** for decomposition attacks

ex: set of 2-torsion points is larger in  $g = 2$ , action expresses linearly

Factor base invariant under 2-torsion can be built.

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1 "Free"

2 Cheap

3 Costs  $\approx g^2 \log q$

95% **of time: checking if smooth or not**

**and** duplicate relations

$\#\mathcal{F} \approx q \times (g-1)!$  tries for a relation  $\Rightarrow$  harvesting in  $\approx (g-1)!q(g^2 \log q)$

# New approach: Harvesting by Sieving

V.Vitse, A.Wallet, *Improved Sieving on Algebraic curves*, LatinCrypt 2015

**Sieving = time-memory trade-off.**

**Theory:** Add **one degree of freedom** in decompositions.

**Practice:** **Store results of cheap computations.** ~~Smoothness checks~~

**Existing:**

[SS'14]: hyperelliptic only

→

**Cons:**

sort, backtracking, hyperelliptic only

**Our contribution:**

- Adapt sieve to **all curve types**
- Suitable for other Index-calculus variants
- Compared to [SS'14]: skip computations, better memory efficiency, no sorting.

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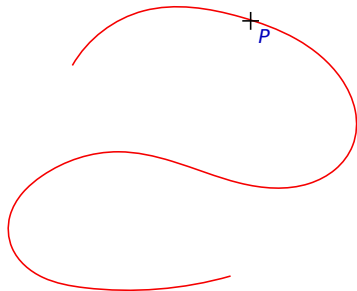
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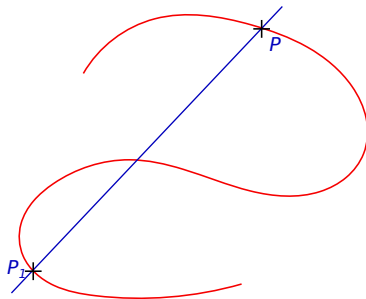
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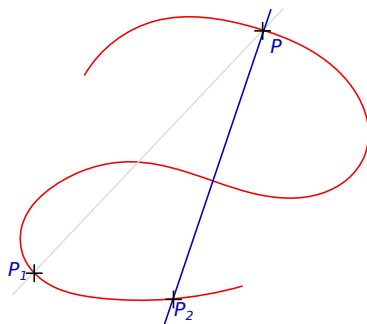
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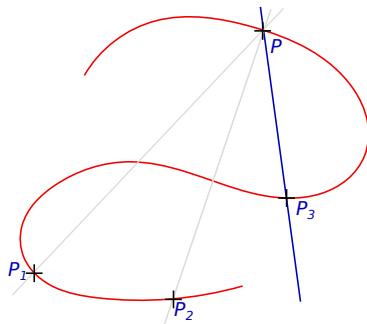
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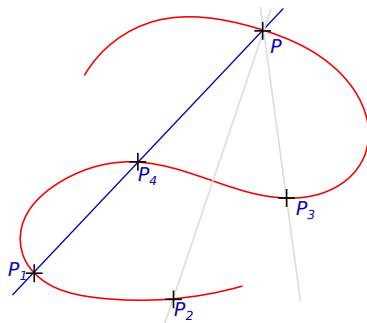
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$\lambda_P(P_i) = \lambda_P(P_j) \Leftrightarrow P, P_i, P_j$  lined up.



# Illustration for non-hyperelliptic curves

$\mathcal{C} : C(x, y) = 0$  **non-hyperelliptic** of genus  $g \geq 3$ . ([D'08]  $\deg C \leq g + 1$ )

Factor base  $\mathcal{F} = \{P, P_1, P_2, \dots\}$ . **First round of sieving:** fix  $P = (x_P, y_P)$ .

Slope of a line through  $P$ :  $\lambda_P(P_i) = \frac{y_i - y_P}{x_i - x_P}$  (cheap!)

Loop over  $\mathcal{F}$ , compute  $\lambda_P(P_i)$ 's:

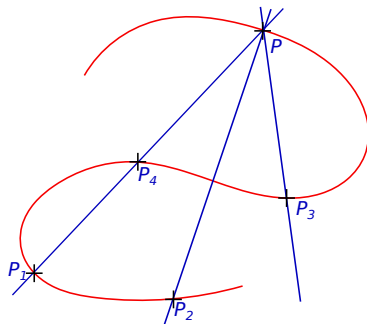
$\lambda_P(P_1) \quad \lambda_P(P_2) \quad \lambda_P(P_3) \quad \dots$

$T = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{2} & 1 & 1 & \dots \end{bmatrix}$

$\lambda_P(P_i) = \lambda_P(P_j) \Leftrightarrow P, P_i, P_j$  lined up.

When  $\mathbf{T}[\lambda_i] = \mathbf{g} \Rightarrow$  **Relation !**

Next round: remove  $P$  from  $\mathcal{F}$ , start again with  $P_1$ .



# Analysis in the non-hyperelliptic case

For one loop:

- $\mathbf{O}(\mathbf{q})$  multiplications +  $\mathbf{O}(\mathbf{q})$  storage.  $\Rightarrow$  Harvesting in  $\approx \mathbf{g!q}$ .
- Expect  $\approx \frac{\mathbf{q}}{\mathbf{g!}}$  relations.

Overall:

Old-school:  $\approx (g - 1)!q(g^2 \log q)$   $\Rightarrow$  Speed-up  $\approx g \log q$ .

## Relations management:

Loop on  $P$  uses all lines through  $P$ : **no duplicate relations**.

$q$		78137	177167	823547	1594331
Genus 3, degree 4	Diem	11.5	27.5	135.1	266.1
	Sieving	3.6	9.3	46.9	94.6
	Ratio	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>2.8</b>
Genus 4, degree 5	Diem	51.8	122.4	595.8	1174
	Sieving	15.5	40.1	195.1	387.6
	Ratio	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3</b>
Genus 5, degree 6	Diem	229.4	535.8	2581	5062
	Sieving	75.6	199	969.3	1909
	Ratio	<b>3</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>2.6</b>
Genus 7, degree 7	Diem	1382	3173	14990	29280
	Sieving	458.5	1199	5859	11510
	Ratio	<b>3</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.5</b>

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Time to collect 10000 relations, expressed in seconds.

- > fix a **singular point** to start the sieving
- [Diem-Kochinke]:  $\Rightarrow$  degree of polynomial  $\searrow$  by multiplicity
- > no more singular points? **“jump to another model”**

$q$		78137	177167	823547	1594331
Genus 5, degree 6	Diem & Kochinke	1.58	1.60	1.69	1.76
	Sieving	0.43	0.45	0.52	0.61
	Ratio	<b>3.67</b>	<b>3.60</b>	<b>3.23</b>	<b>2.90</b>
Genus 7, degree 7	Diem & Kochinke	8.59	8.68	8.97	9.20
	Sieving	1.21	1.25	1.56	1.93
	Ratio	<b>7.13</b>	<b>6.96</b>	<b>5.74</b>	<b>4.77</b>

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