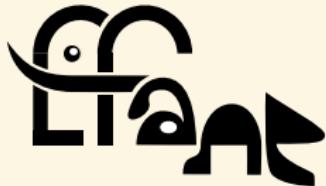


# Breaking SIDH in polynomial time

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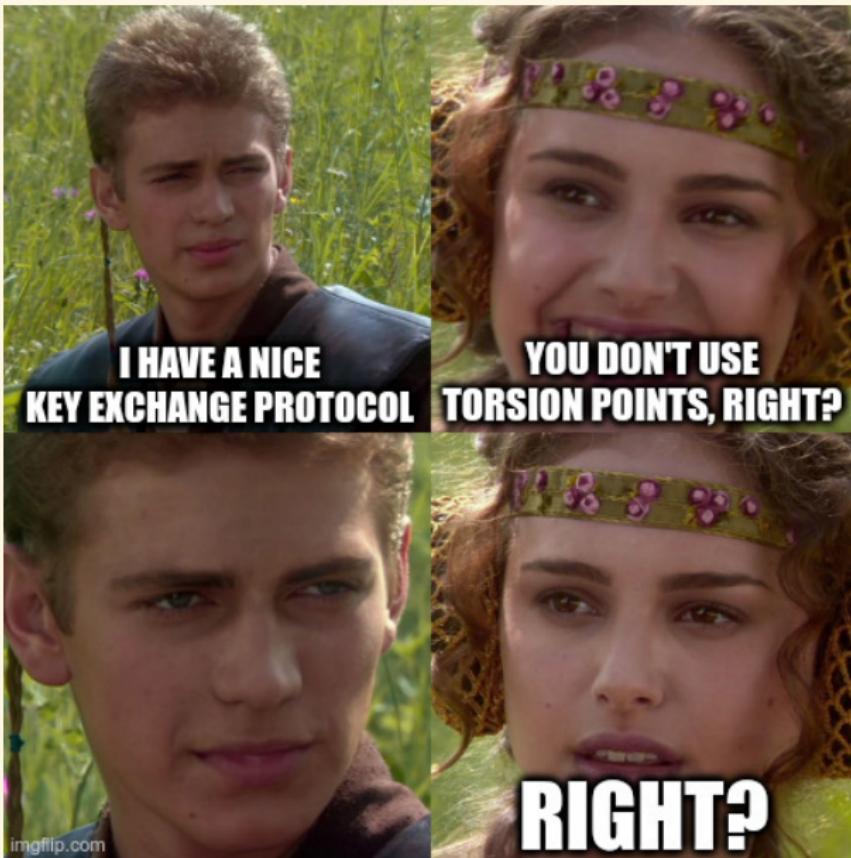
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## Isogeny evaluation and interpolation

- **Evaluation:** evaluate an isogeny on a point
- **$N$ -evaluation problem:** given
  - ➊  $\phi : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  an  $N$ -isogeny ( $N = \deg \phi = \# \text{Ker } \phi$ ),
  - ➋ a point  $P \in E_1(\mathbb{F}_q)$ ,evaluate  $\phi(P)$
- **Interpolation:** reconstruct an isogeny from its image on a torsion basis
- **$(N, N')$ -interpolation problem:** given
  - ➊  $N = \deg \phi$ ,
  - ➋  $(P_1, \phi(P_1)), (P_2, \phi(P_2))$  for  $(P_1, P_2)$  a basis of  $E_1[N']$ ,
  - ⌋  $P \in E_1(\mathbb{F}_q)$evaluate  $\phi(P)$
- **SIDH:** the key exchange uses the  $N_A = 2^a$  and  $N_B = 3^b$  evaluation problems
- **Solving the interpolation problem (SSI-T) = breaking SIDH**

## Isogeny evaluation and interpolation



# Evaluation vs Interpolation

## Evaluation:

- [Vélu 1971, Kohel 1996]: for  $\phi : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  an  $N$ -isogeny,

$$x(\phi(P)) = \frac{g(x(P))}{h(x(P))},$$

$$\deg g, \deg h < N, h(x) = \text{Ker } \phi$$

⇒ evaluate  $\phi(P)$  in  $O(N)$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_q$  (given its kernel)

- Linear time

## Interpolation:

- Interpolate  $\frac{g}{h}(x)$  from  $(x(P_1), x(\phi(P_1))), (x(2P_1), x(\phi(2P_1))), \dots$
- Quasi linear time

## Fast evaluation:

- $N$  smooth: decompose  $\phi$  into a product of small isogenies
- Logarithmic time

## Double and add

- Fast evaluation when  $N$  has a large prime factor?
- If  $\phi = [\ell]$  ( $N = \ell^2$ ): double and add in  $O(\log \ell)$
- $\Phi : E^2 \rightarrow E^2, (P_1, P_2) \mapsto (P_1 + P_2, P_1 - P_2)$  is a 2-isogeny in dimension 2 [Riemann]
- $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- Double:  $\Phi(T, T) = (2T, 0)$
- Add:  $\Phi(T, P) = (T + P, T - P)$
- Evaluate  $\ell P =$  composition of  $O(\log \ell)$  evaluations of  $\Phi$ , projections  $E^2 \rightarrow E$  and embeddings  $E \rightarrow E^2$
- **Double and add** on  $E = 2$ -isogenies in dimension 2

## Kani's lemma [Kani 1997] ( $g = 1$ ), [R. 2022] ( $g > 1$ )

- $A, B, C, D$  principally polarised abelian varieties
- $\alpha : A \rightarrow B$  a  $a$ -isogeny,  $\beta : A \rightarrow C$  a  $b$ -isogeny
- $\alpha' : C \rightarrow D$  a  $a$ -isogeny,  $\beta' : C \rightarrow D$  a  $b$ -isogeny with  $\beta' \alpha = \alpha' \beta$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & B \\ \downarrow \beta & & \downarrow \beta' \\ C & \xrightarrow{\alpha'} & D \end{array}$$

- $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \widetilde{\beta}' \\ -\beta & \widetilde{\alpha}' \end{pmatrix} : A \times D \rightarrow B \times C$
- $\Phi$  is an  $a + b$ -isogeny with respect to the product polarisations
- $\text{Ker } \Phi = \{\tilde{\alpha}(P), \beta'(P) \mid P \in B[a + b]\}$  (if  $a$  is prime to  $b$ )

## Using Kani's lemma for the interpolation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E_1 & \xrightarrow{\phi} & E_2 \\ \downarrow \alpha & & \downarrow \alpha' \\ E'_1 & \xrightarrow{\phi'} & E'_2 \end{array}$$

- $\phi : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  an  $N$ -isogeny
- **Goal:** replace  $\phi$  by  $\Phi$  an  $N'$ -isogeny
- Find  $\alpha : E_1 \rightarrow E'_1$  an  $m$ -isogeny, with  $N' = N + m$
- Kani's lemma:  $\Phi : E_1 \times E'_2 \rightarrow E'_1 \times E_2$  is an  $N'$ -isogeny
- We know  $\phi(E[N'])$  and we can evaluate  $\alpha$  on  $E[N'] \Rightarrow$  recover  $\text{Ker } \Phi$  (or  $\text{Ker } \widetilde{\Phi}$ )
- Evaluate  $\Phi$ , hence  $\phi$  at any point:  $\Phi(P, 0) = (\alpha(P), -\phi(P))$
- Evaluation is fast if  $N'$  is (power) smooth

### Examples:

- $m$  smooth [Castryck–Decru; Maino–Martindale]
- $m = \ell^2$ : take  $\alpha = [\ell]$
- $\text{End}(E_1)$  has an efficient endomorphism  $\alpha$  of norm  $m$  [Castryck–Decru; Wesolowski]



## Using Kani's lemma for the interpolation



## The general case: Zahrin's trick

- $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ -a_2 & a_1 \end{pmatrix}$  endomorphism of norm  $m = a_1^2 + a_2^2$  on  $E^2$
- Gaussian integers  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$

- $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & -a_2 & -a_3 & -a_4 \\ a_2 & a_1 & a_4 & -a_3 \\ a_3 & -a_4 & a_1 & a_2 \\ a_4 & a_3 & -a_2 & a_1 \end{pmatrix}$  endomorphism of norm  $m = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + a_4^2$  on  $E^4$

- Hamilton's quaternion algebra
- Evaluating  $\alpha$ :  $O(\log m)$  arithmetic operations
- Every integer is a sum of four squares

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E_1^4 & \xrightarrow{\phi} & E_2^4 \\ \downarrow \alpha & & \downarrow \alpha \\ E_1^4 & \xrightarrow{\phi} & E_2^4 \end{array}$$

- $\Phi : E_1^4 \times E_2^4 \rightarrow E_1^4 \times E_2^4$  is an  $N'$ -isogeny

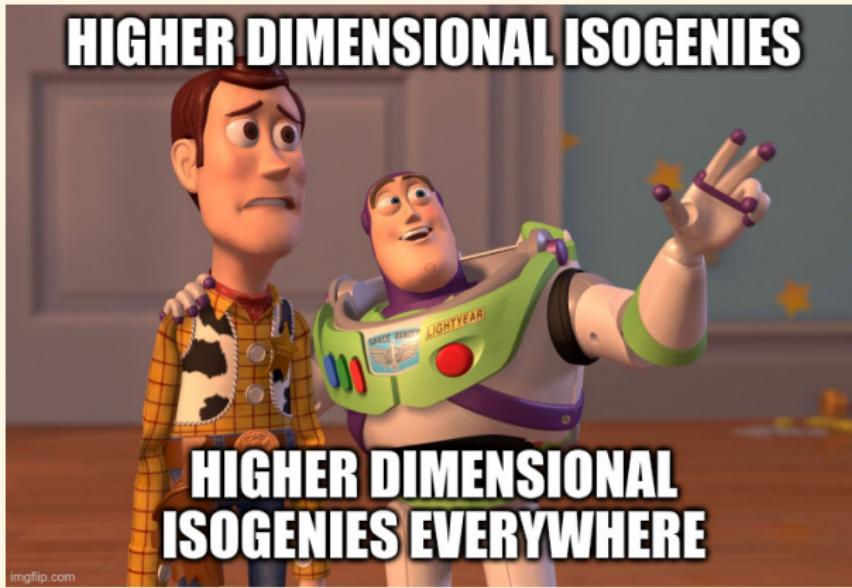
## Kani's lemma + Zahrin's trick = the embedding lemma [R. 2022]

- A  $N$ -isogeny  $\phi : A \rightarrow B$  in dimension  $g$  can always be efficiently embedded into a  $N'$  isogeny  $\Phi : A' \rightarrow B'$  in dimension  $8g$  (and sometimes  $4g, 2g$ ) for any  $N' \geq N$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\phi} & B \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow \\ A' & \xrightarrow{\Phi} & B' \end{array}$$

- Considerable flexibility (at the cost of going up in dimension)
- Reduces the  $(N, N')$ -interpolation problem to the  $N'$ -evaluation problem (in higher dimension)
- Only needs  $N'^2 \geq N$  (uses the dual isogeny)  
⇒ Solves the interpolation problem when  $N'$  is (power) smooth
- Amazing fact: does not require  $\text{Ker } \phi$ , works even if  $N$  is prime
- Breaks SIDH: [Castryck–Decru], [Maino–Martindale] in dimension 2, [R.] in dimension 4 or 8
- Constructive applications: efficient representation of any isogeny, computing ordinary endomorphism rings, canonical lifts, point counting, modular and class polynomials, new cryptographic protocols in higher dimension ...

Kani's lemma + Zahrin's trick = the embedding lemma [R. 2022]



# Algorithms for $N$ -isogenies in higher dimension

- [Cosset-R. (2014), Lubicz-R. (2012–2022)]: An  $N$ -isogeny in dimension  $g$  can be evaluated in linear time  $\mathcal{O}(N^g)$  arithmetic operations in the theta model given generators of its kernel
- Warning: exponential dependency  $2^g$  or  $4^g$  in the dimension  $g$
- [Couveignes-Ezome (2015)]: Algorithm in  $\mathcal{O}(N^g)$  in the Jacobian model
- Not hard to extend to product of Jacobians
- Restricted to  $g \leq 3$

## How expensive is an isogeny in dimension $g$ in the theta model?

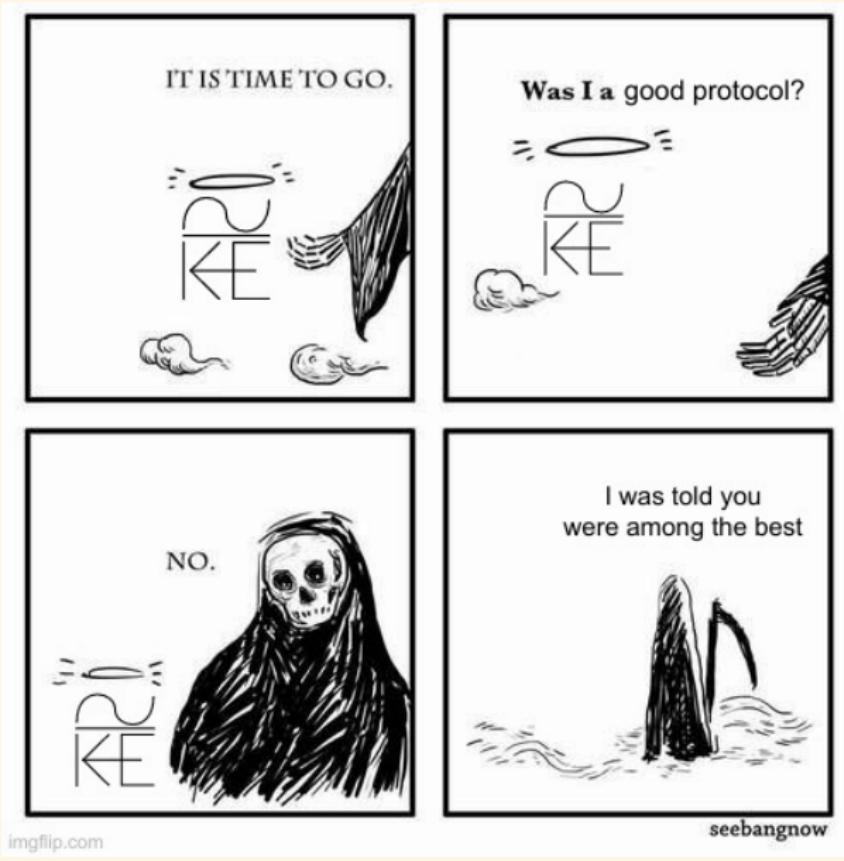
- Naive estimate:  $\ell^e$ -isogeny =  $e$   $\ell$ -isogenies =  $e \times O(\ell^g)$   
 $= C \times 2^g$  (number of coordinates)  $\times \ell^g$  (size of kernel)  $\times (1 + g)$  ( $g$  points to push)

SIKE	$g = 1$	$g = 2$	$g = 4$	$g = 8$
SIKEp434 ( $2^{216}$ )	14476	80376	1546608	416370768
SIKEp503 ( $2^{250}$ )	17060	94860	1826700	491877900
SIKEp610 ( $2^{305}$ )	21350	118950	2292990	617612190
SIKEp751 ( $2^{372}$ )	26576	148296	2861016	770779416
SIKEp964 ( $2^{486}$ )	35904	200844	3879828	1045623348

Number of field operations (estimate)

$g$	Naive ratios	Estimated ratios
2	$\times 6$	$\times 5.5$
4	$\times 160$	$\times 110$
8	$\times 75000$	$\times 29000$

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