A Bird's Eye View on Discrete Logarithm Problems (DLP) over Finite Fields

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  1. Elliptic curves
  2. Multiplicative groups of finite fields

Case over Finite Fields

- Given: Q, g and h, where $\langle g \rangle = \mathbb{F}_Q^\times$ containing h
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Previous Work

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- Originated from [Joux and Lercier@EC'06]
- For small char., roughly $p \leq \mathcal{L}_Q(\frac{1}{3})$.
- Heuristics

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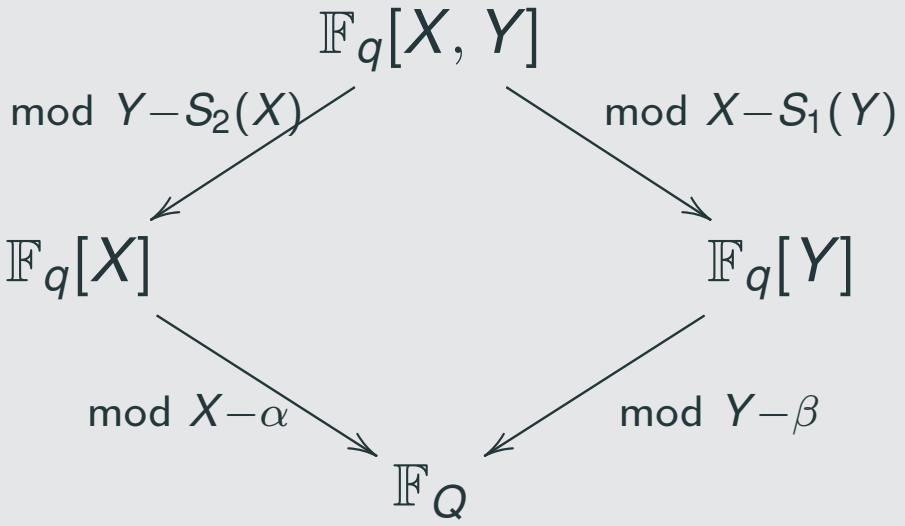

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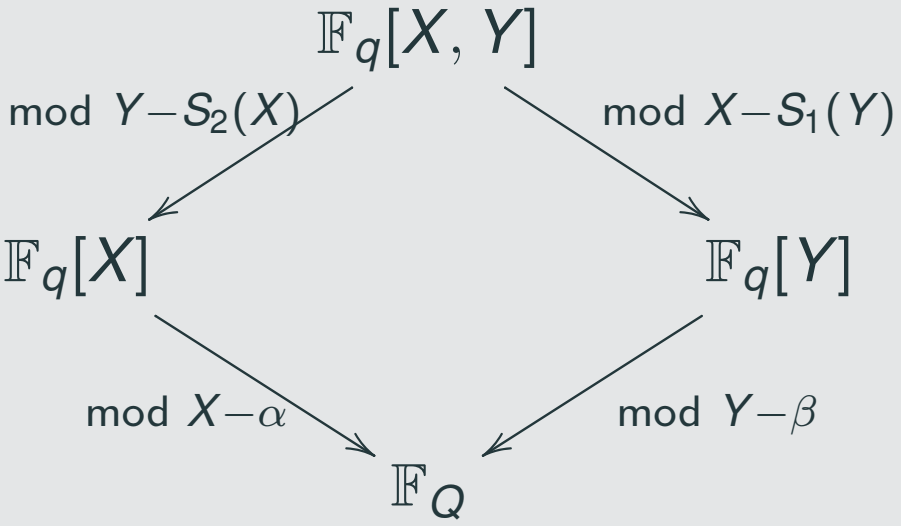

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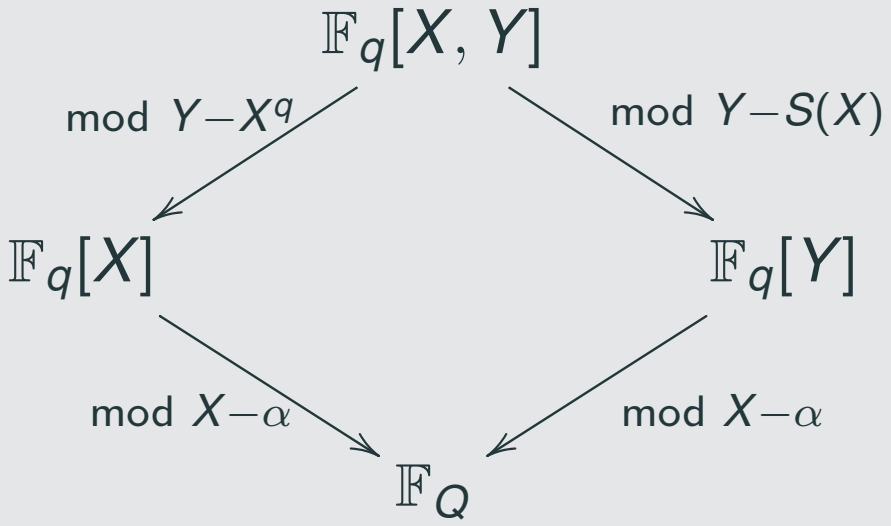

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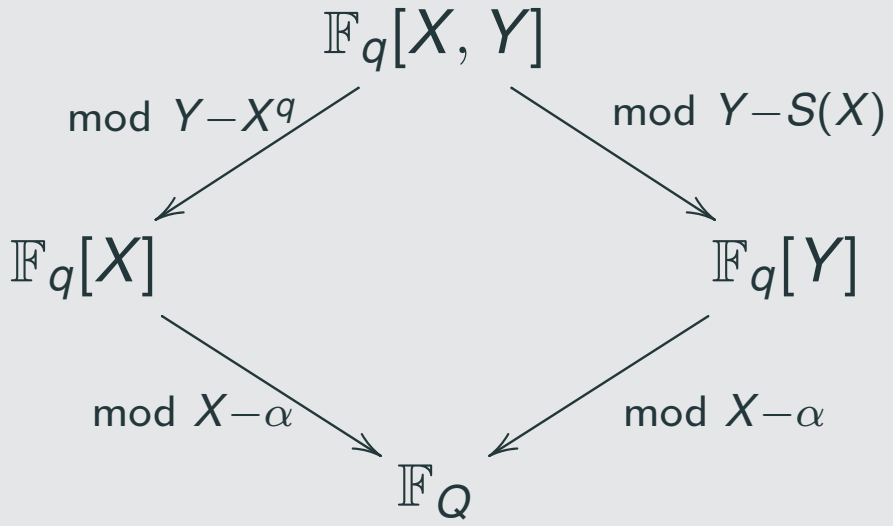

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Thank you! Any questions?

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