

# On isogenies and polarisations

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## Polarised abelian varieties over $\mathbb{C}$

### Definition

A complex abelian variety  $A$  of dimension  $g$  is isomorphic to a compact Lie group  $V/\Lambda$  with

- A complex vector space  $V$  of dimension  $g$ ;
- A  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattice  $\Lambda$  in  $V$  (of rank  $2g$ );

such that there exists an Hermitian form  $H$  on  $V$  with  $E(\Lambda, \Lambda) \subset \mathbb{Z}$  where  $E = \text{Im } H$  is symplectic.

- Such an Hermitian form  $H$  is called a **polarisation** on  $A$ . Conversely, any symplectic form  $E$  on  $V$  such that  $E(\Lambda, \Lambda) \subset \mathbb{Z}$  and  $E(ix, iy) = E(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in V$  gives a polarisation  $H$  with  $E = \text{Im } H$ .
- Over a symplectic basis of  $\Lambda$ ,  $E$  is of the form.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & D_{\delta} \\ -D_{\delta} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $D_{\delta}$  is a diagonal positive integer matrix  $\delta = (\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots, \delta_g)$ , with  $\delta_1 | \delta_2 | \dots | \delta_g$ .

- The product  $\prod \delta_i$  is the degree of the polarisation;  $H$  is a **principal polarisation** if this degree is 1.

## Principal polarisations

- Let  $E_0$  be the canonical principal symplectic form on  $\mathbb{R}^{2g}$  given by  $E_0((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)) = {}^t x_1 \cdot y_2 - {}^t y_1 \cdot x_2$ ;
- If  $E$  is a principal polarisation on  $A = V/\Lambda$ , there is an isomorphism  $j : \mathbb{Z}^{2g} \rightarrow \Lambda$  such that  $E(j(x), j(y)) = E_0(x, y)$ ;
- There exists a basis of  $V$  such that  $j((x_1, x_2)) = \Omega x_1 + x_2$  for a matrix  $\Omega$ ;
- In particular  $E(\Omega x_1 + x_2, \Omega y_1 + y_2) = {}^t x_1 \cdot y_2 - {}^t y_1 \cdot x_2$ ;
- The matrix  $\Omega$  is in  $\mathfrak{H}_g$ , the **Siegel space** of symmetric matrices  $\Omega$  with  $\text{Im}\Omega$  positive definite;
- In this basis,  $\Lambda = \Omega\mathbb{Z}^g + \mathbb{Z}^g$  and  $H$  is given by the matrix  $(\text{Im}\Omega)^{-1}$ .

## Action of the symplectic group

- Every principal symplectic form (hence symplectic basis) on  $\mathbb{Z}^{2g}$  comes from the action of  $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{Sp}_{2g}(\mathbb{Z})$  on  $(\mathbb{Z}^{2g}, E_0)$ ;
- This action gives a new equivariant bijection  $j_M : \mathbb{Z}^{2g} \rightarrow \Lambda$  via  $j_M((x_1, x_2)) = (A\Omega x_1 + Bx_2, C\Omega x_1 + Dx_2)$ ;
- Normalizing this embedding via the action of  $(C\Omega + D)^{-1}$  on  $\mathbb{C}^g$ , we get that  $j_M((x_1, x_2)) = \Omega_M x_1 + x_2$  with  $\Omega_M = (A\Omega + B)(C\Omega + D)^{-1} \in \mathfrak{H}_g$ ;
- The moduli space of principally polarised abelian varieties is then isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{H}_g / \mathrm{Sp}_{2g}(\mathbb{Z})$ .

# Isogenies

Let  $A = V/\Lambda$  and  $B = V'/\Lambda'$ .

## Definition

An **isogeny**  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is a bijective linear map  $f: V \rightarrow V'$  such that  $f(\Lambda) \subset \Lambda'$ . The **kernel** of the isogeny is  $f^{-1}(\Lambda')/\Lambda \subset A$  and its **degree** is the cardinal of the kernel.

## Remark

*Up to a renormalization, we can always assume that  $V = V' = \mathbb{C}^g$ ,  $f = \text{Id}$  and the isogeny is simply  $\mathbb{C}^g/\Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g/\Lambda'$  for  $\Lambda \subset \Lambda'$ .*

## The dual abelian variety

### Definition

If  $A = V/\Lambda$  is an abelian variety, its dual is  $\hat{A} = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(V, \mathbb{C})/\Lambda^*$ . Here  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(V, \mathbb{C})$  is the space of anti-linear forms and  $\Lambda^* = \{f \mid f(\Lambda) \subset \mathbb{Z}\}$  is the orthogonal of  $\Lambda$ .

- If  $H$  is a polarisation on  $A$ , its dual  $H^*$  is a polarisation on  $\hat{A}$ . Moreover, there is an isogeny  $\Phi_H : A \rightarrow \hat{A}$ :

$$x \mapsto H(x, \cdot)$$

of degree  $\deg H$ . We note  $K(H)$  its kernel.

- If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is an isogeny, then its dual is an isogeny  $\hat{f} : \hat{B} \rightarrow \hat{A}$  of the same degree.

### Remark

There is a canonical polarisation on  $A \times \hat{A}$  (the Poincaré bundle):

$$(x, f) \mapsto f(x).$$

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## Definition

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An isogeny  $f: (A, H_1) \rightarrow (B, H_2)$  respect the polarisations iff the following diagram commutes

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# Jacobians

- Let  $C$  be a curve of genus  $g$ ;
- Let  $V$  be the dual of the space  $V^*$  of holomorphic differentials of the first kind on  $C$ ;
- Let  $\Lambda \simeq H^1(C, \mathbb{Z}) \subset V$  be the set of periods (integration of differentials on loops);
- The intersection pairing gives a symplectic form  $E$  on  $\Lambda$ ;
- Let  $H$  be the associated hermitian form on  $V$ ;

$$H^*(w_1, w_2) = \int_C w_1 \wedge w_2;$$

- Then  $(V/\Lambda, H)$  is a principally polarised abelian variety: the **Jacobian** of  $C$ .

## Theorem (Torelli)

$\text{Jac } C$  with the associated *principal polarisation* uniquely determines  $C$ .

## Remark (Howe)

There exists an hyperelliptic curve  $H$  of genus 3 and a quartic curve  $C$  such that  $\text{Jac } C \simeq \text{Jac } H$  as *non polarised* abelian varieties!

## Projective embeddings

### Proposition

Let  $\Phi : A = V/\Lambda \mapsto \mathbb{P}^{m-1}$  be a projective embedding. Then the linear functions  $f$  associated to this embedding are  $\Lambda$ -automorphics:

$$f(x + \lambda) = a(\lambda, x)f(x) \quad x \in V, \lambda \in \Lambda;$$

for a fixed automorphy factor  $a$ :

$$a(\lambda + \lambda', x) = a(\lambda, x + \lambda')a(\lambda', x).$$

### Theorem (Appell-Humbert)

All automorphy factors are of the form

$$a(\lambda, x) = \pm e^{\pi(H(x, \lambda) + \frac{1}{2}H(\lambda, \lambda))}$$

for a polarisation  $H$  on  $A$ .

# Theta functions

- Let  $(A, H_0)$  be a principally polarised abelian variety over  $\mathbb{C}$ :  
 $A = \mathbb{C}^g / (\Omega\mathbb{Z}^g + \mathbb{Z}^g)$  with  $\Omega \in \mathfrak{H}_g$ .
- All automorphic forms corresponding to a multiple of  $H_0$  come from the theta functions with characteristics:

$$\vartheta \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} (z, \Omega) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^g} e^{\pi i {}^t(n+a)\Omega(n+a) + 2\pi i {}^t(n+a)(z+b)} \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Q}^g$$

- Automorphic property:

$$\vartheta \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} (z + m_1\Omega + m_2, \Omega) = e^{2\pi i ({}^t a \cdot m_2 - {}^t b \cdot m_1) - \pi i {}^t m_1 \Omega m_1 - 2\pi i {}^t m_1 \cdot z} \vartheta \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} (z, \Omega).$$

## Theta functions of level $n$

- Define  $\vartheta_i = \vartheta \left[ \begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ i \\ n \end{smallmatrix} \right] \left( \cdot, \frac{\Omega}{n} \right)$  for  $i \in Z(\overline{n}) = \mathbb{Z}^g / n\mathbb{Z}^g$  and
- This is a basis of the automorphic functions for  $H = nH_0$  (theta functions of level  $n$ );
- This is the unique basis such that in the projective coordinates:

$$\begin{aligned} A &\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^{n^g-1} \\ z &\longmapsto (\vartheta_i(z))_{i \in Z(\overline{n})} \end{aligned}$$

the translation by a point of  $n$ -torsion is normalized by

$$\vartheta_i \left( z + \frac{m_1}{n} \Omega + \frac{m_2}{n} \right) = e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n} {}^t i \cdot m_1} \vartheta_{i+m_2}(z).$$

- $(\vartheta_i)_{i \in Z(\overline{n})} = \begin{cases} \text{coordinates system} & n \geq 3 \\ \text{coordinates on the Kummer variety } A/\pm 1 & n = 2 \end{cases}$
- $(\vartheta_i)_{i \in Z(\overline{n})}$ : basis of the theta functions of level  $n$   
 $\Leftrightarrow A[n] = A_1[n] \oplus A_2[n]$ : symplectic decomposition.
- Theta null point:  $\vartheta_i(0)_{i \in Z(\overline{n})} = \text{modular invariant}$ .

# The differential addition law ( $k = \mathbb{C}$ )

$$\left( \sum_{t \in Z(\bar{2})} \chi(t) \vartheta_{i+t}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) \vartheta_{j+t}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{t \in Z(\bar{2})} \chi(t) \vartheta_{k+t}(\mathbf{0}) \vartheta_{l+t}(\mathbf{0}) \right) =$$

$$\left( \sum_{t \in Z(\bar{2})} \chi(t) \vartheta_{-i'+t}(\mathbf{y}) \vartheta_{j'+t}(\mathbf{y}) \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{t \in Z(\bar{2})} \chi(t) \vartheta_{k'+t}(\mathbf{x}) \vartheta_{l'+t}(\mathbf{x}) \right).$$

where  $\chi \in \hat{Z}(\bar{2})$ ,  $i, j, k, l \in Z(\bar{n})$

$$(i', j', k', l') = A(i, j, k, l)$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Cryptographic usage of isogenies

- Transfer the Discrete Logarithm Problem from one Abelian variety to another;
- Point counting algorithms ( $\ell$ -adic or  $p$ -adic)  $\Rightarrow$  Verify an abelian variety is secure;
- Compute the class field polynomials (CM-method)  $\Rightarrow$  Construct a secure abelian variety;
- Compute the modular polynomials  $\Rightarrow$  Compute isogenies;
- Determine  $\text{End}(A)$   $\Rightarrow$  CRT method for class field polynomials;
- Speed up the arithmetic;
- Hash functions and cryptosystems based on isogeny graphs.

# The isogeny theorem

## Theorem

- Let  $\varphi : Z(\bar{n}) \rightarrow Z(\overline{\ell n}), x \mapsto \ell.x$  be the canonical embedding.  
Let  $K = A_2[\ell] \subset A_2[\ell n]$ .
- Let  $(\vartheta_i^A)_{i \in Z(\overline{\ell n})}$  be the theta functions of level  $\ell n$  on  $A = \mathbb{C}^g / (\mathbb{Z}^g + \ell\Omega\mathbb{Z}^g)$ .
- Let  $(\vartheta_i^B)_{i \in Z(\bar{n})}$  be the theta functions of level  $n$  of  $B = A/K = \mathbb{C}^g / (\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega\mathbb{Z}^g)$ .
- We have:

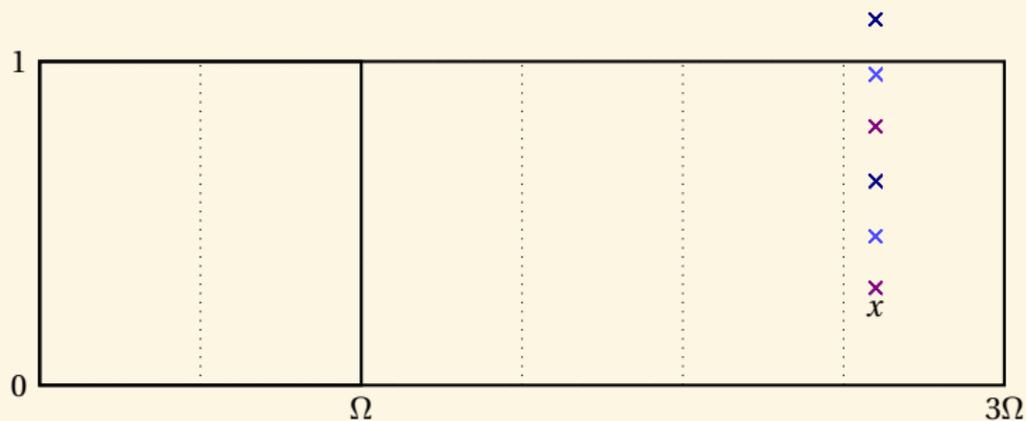
$$(\vartheta_i^B(x))_{i \in Z(\bar{n})} = (\vartheta_{\varphi(i)}^A(x))_{i \in Z(\bar{n})}$$

## Example

$f : (x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6, x_7, x_8, x_9, x_{10}, x_{11}) \mapsto (x_0, x_3, x_6, x_9)$  is a 3-isogeny between elliptic curves.

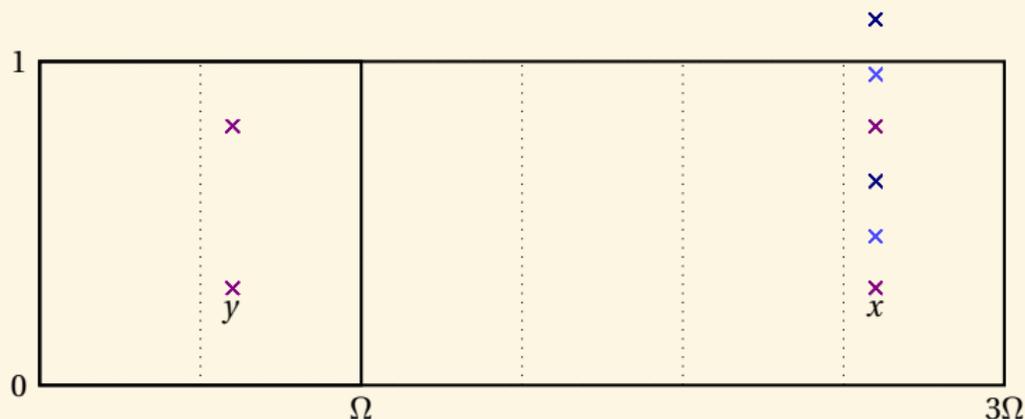
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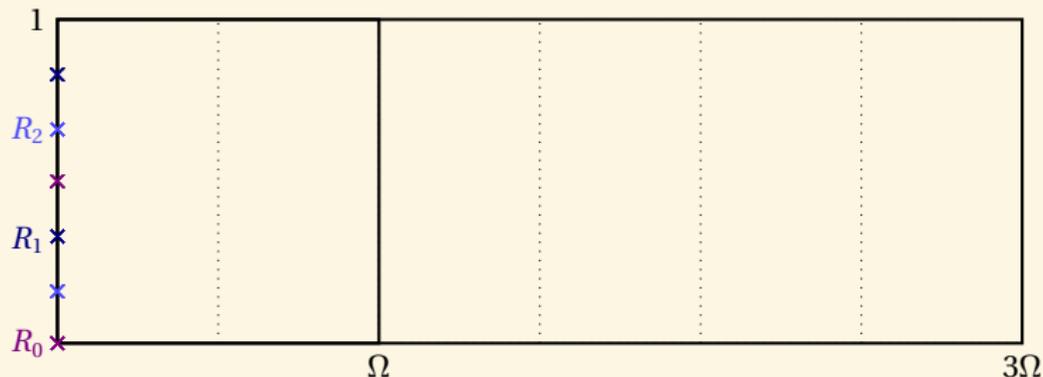
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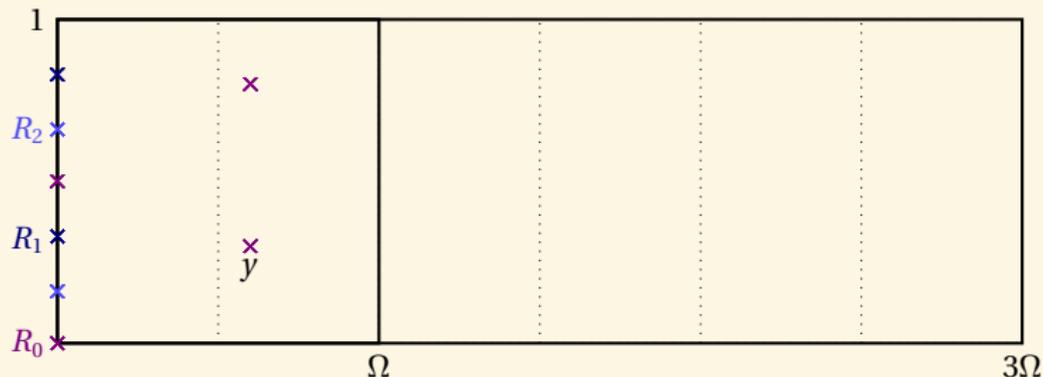
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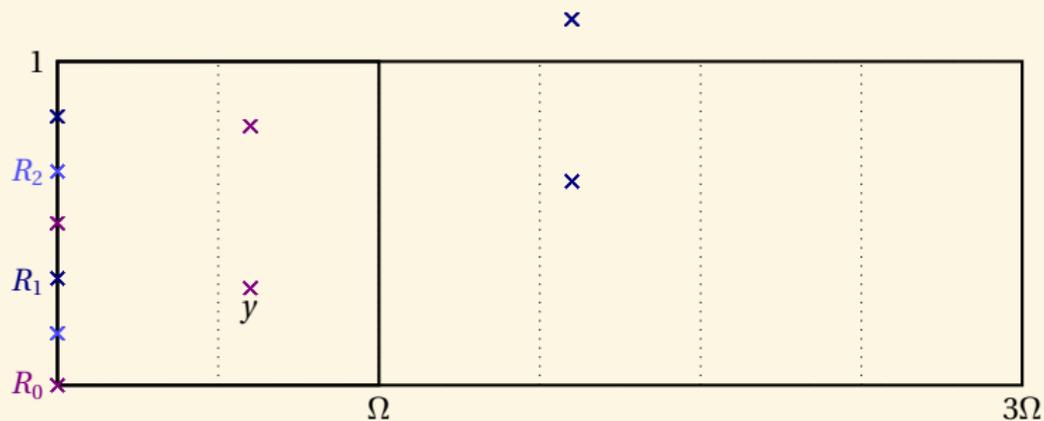
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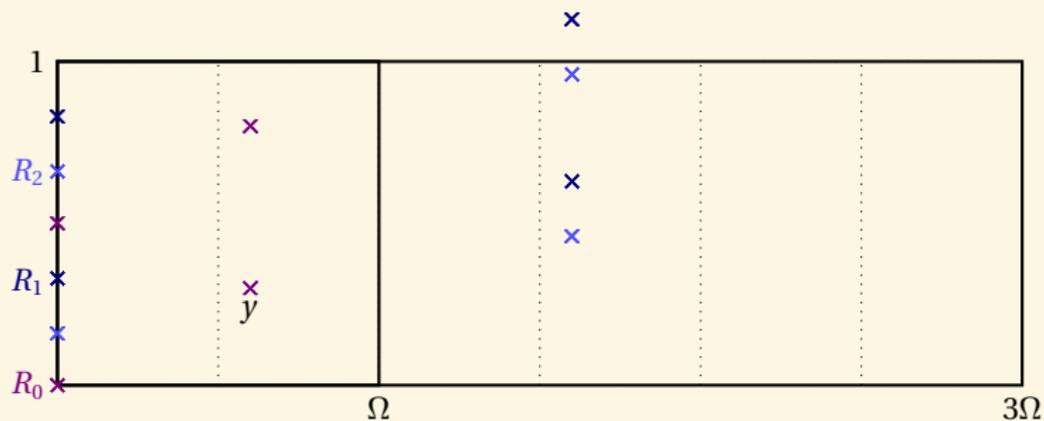
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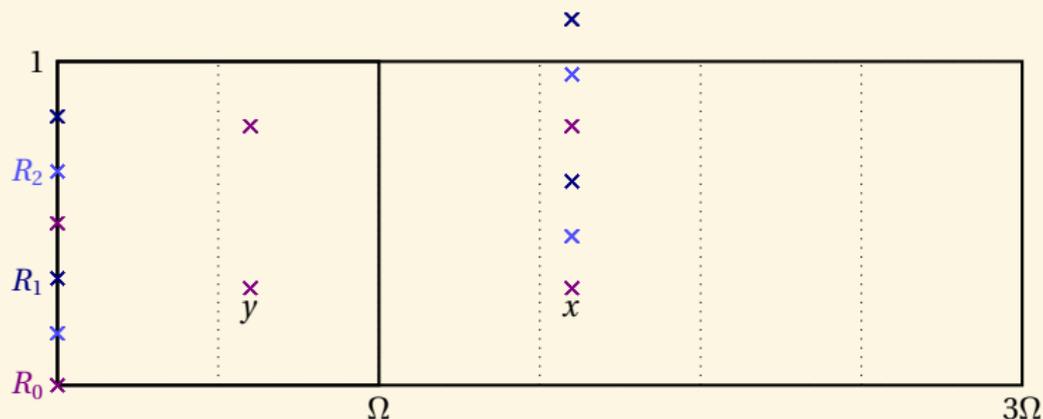
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## Changing level

### Theorem (Koizumi–Kempf)

Let  $F$  be a matrix of rank  $r$  such that  ${}^t FF = \ell \text{Id}_r$ . Let  $X \in (\mathbb{C}^g)^r$  and  $Y = F(X) \in (\mathbb{C}^g)^r$ . Let  $j \in (\mathbb{Q}^g)^r$  and  $i = F(j)$ . Then we have

$$\vartheta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ i_1 \end{bmatrix} \left( Y_1, \frac{\Omega}{n} \right) \cdots \vartheta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ i_r \end{bmatrix} \left( Y_r, \frac{\Omega}{n} \right) = \sum_{\substack{t_1, \dots, t_r \in \frac{1}{\ell} \mathbb{Z}^g / \mathbb{Z}^g \\ F(t_1, \dots, t_r) = (0, \dots, 0)}} \vartheta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ j_1 \end{bmatrix} \left( X_1 + t_1, \frac{\Omega}{\ell n} \right) \cdots \vartheta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ j_r \end{bmatrix} \left( X_r + t_r, \frac{\Omega}{\ell n} \right),$$

(This is the isogeny theorem applied to  $F_A : A^r \rightarrow A^r$ .)

- If  $\ell = a^2 + b^2$ , we take  $F = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$ , so  $r = 2$ .
- In general,  $\ell = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2$ , we take  $F$  to be the matrix of multiplication by  $a + bi + cj + dk$  in the quaternions, so  $r = 4$ .

# The isogeny formula

$$\ell \wedge n = 1, \quad B = \mathbb{C}^g / (\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g), \quad A = \mathbb{C}^g / (\mathbb{Z}^g + \ell \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g)$$

$$\vartheta_b^B := \vartheta \left[ \begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{b}{n} \end{smallmatrix} \right] \left( \cdot, \frac{\Omega}{n} \right), \quad \vartheta_b^A := \vartheta \left[ \begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{b}{n} \end{smallmatrix} \right] \left( \cdot, \frac{\ell \Omega}{n} \right)$$

## Proposition

Let  $F$  be a matrix of rank  $r$  such that  ${}^t F F = \ell \text{Id}_r$ . Let  $X$  in  $(\mathbb{C}^g)^r$  and  $Y = X F^{-1} \in (\mathbb{C}^g)^r$ . Let  $i \in (Z(\bar{n}))^r$  and  $j = i F^{-1}$ . Then we have

$$\vartheta_{i_1}^A(Y_1) \dots \vartheta_{i_r}^A(Y_r) = \sum_{\substack{t_1, \dots, t_r \in \frac{1}{\ell} \mathbb{Z}^g / \mathbb{Z}^g \\ (t_1, \dots, t_r) F = (0, \dots, 0)}} \vartheta_{j_1}^B(X_1 + t_1) \dots \vartheta_{j_r}^B(X_r + t_r),$$

## Corollary

$$\vartheta_k^A(0) \vartheta_0^A(0) \dots \vartheta_0^A(0) = \sum_{\substack{t_1, \dots, t_r \in K \\ (t_1, \dots, t_r) F = (0, \dots, 0)}} \vartheta_{j_1}^B(t_1) \dots \vartheta_{j_r}^B(t_r), \quad (j = (k, 0, \dots, 0) F^{-1} \in Z(\bar{n}))$$

## The Algorithm [Cosset, R.]

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 x \in (A, \ell H_1) & \overset{\text{-----}}{\longrightarrow} & (x, 0, \dots, 0) \in (A^r, \ell H_1 \star \dots \star \ell H_1) \\
 \swarrow f & \downarrow [\ell] & \downarrow {}^t F \\
 y \in (B, H_2) & & {}^t F(x, 0, \dots, 0) \in (A^r, \ell H_1 \star \dots \star \ell H_1) \\
 \searrow \tilde{f} & & \downarrow F \\
 \tilde{f}(y) \in (A, H_1) & \overset{\text{-----}}{\longleftarrow} & F \circ {}^t F(x, 0, \dots, 0) \in (A^r, H_1 \star \dots \star H_1)
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  - Computing the points of the kernel via differential additions take  $O(\ell^g)$  operations in  $k'$ ;
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  - If  $\ell \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , applying the isogeny formula take  $O(\ell^{2g})$  operations in  $k'$ ;
- $\Rightarrow$  The total cost is  $\tilde{O}(\ell^{2g})$  or  $\tilde{O}(\ell^{3g})$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

### Remark

*The complexity is much worse over a number field because we need to work with extensions of much higher degree.*

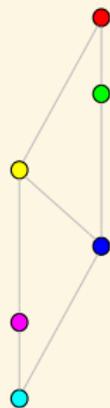
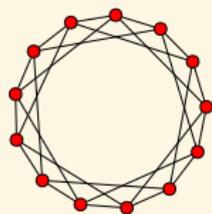
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- $\Rightarrow$  The total cost is  $\tilde{O}(\ell^{2g})$  or  $\tilde{O}(\ell^{3g})$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

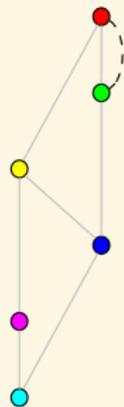
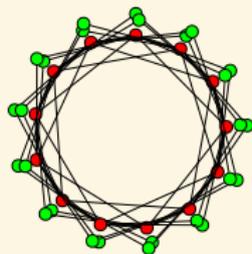
### Theorem ([Lubicz, R.])

*We can compute the isogeny directly given the equations (in a suitable form) of the kernel  $K$  of the isogeny. When  $K$  is rational, this gives a complexity of  $\tilde{O}(\ell^g)$  or  $\tilde{O}(\ell^{2g})$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .*

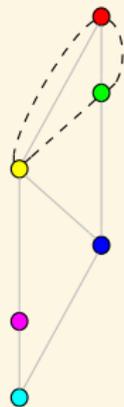
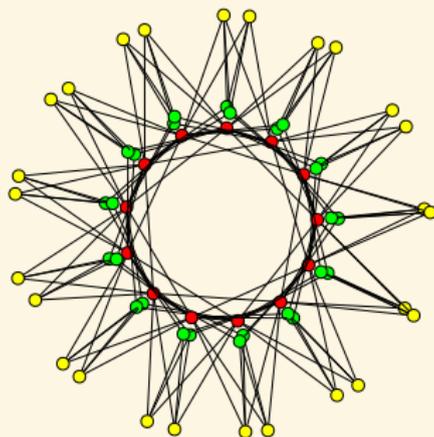
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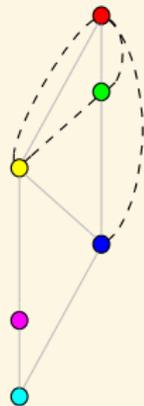
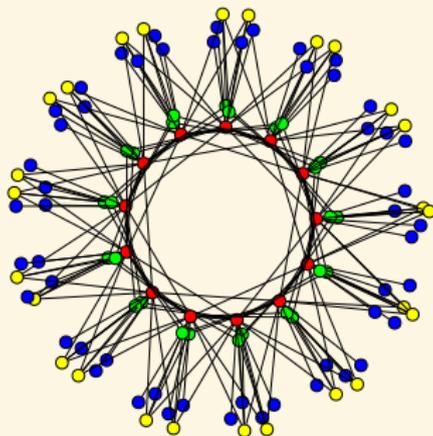
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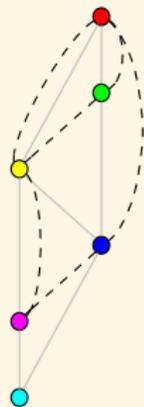
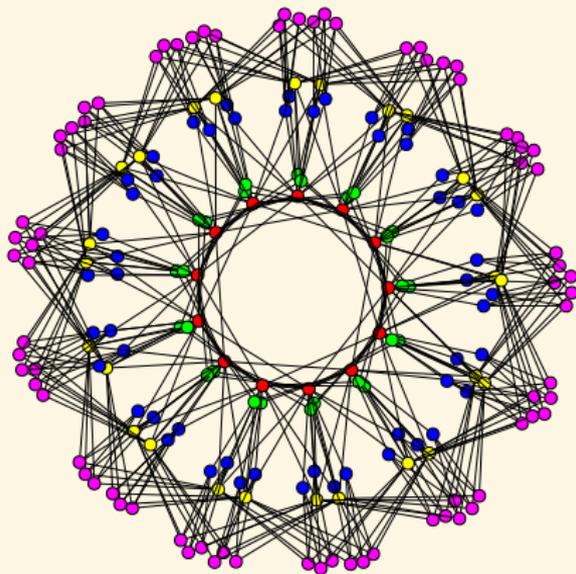
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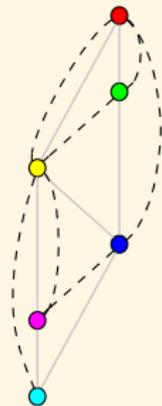
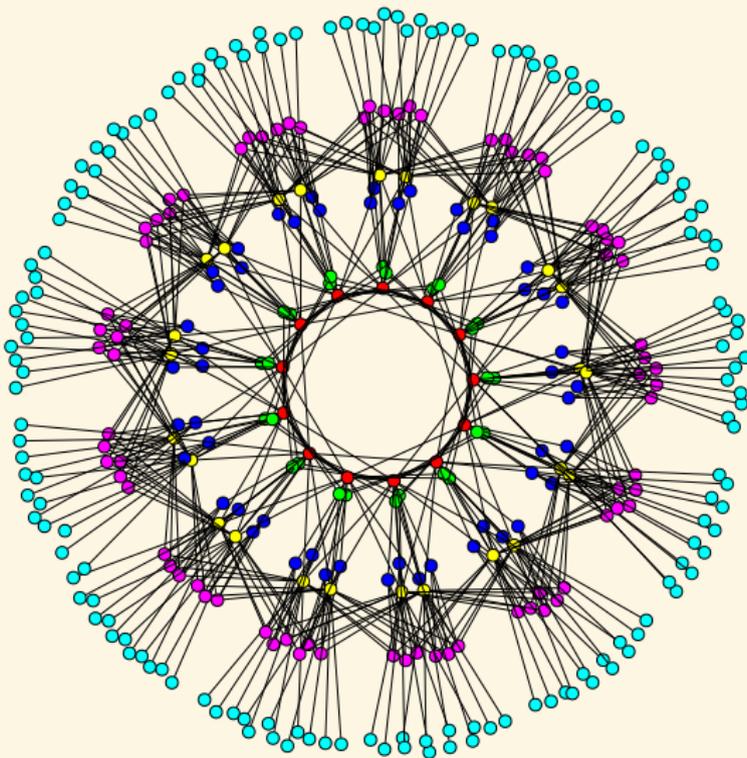
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## Non principal polarisations

- Let  $f : (A, H_1) \rightarrow (B, H_2)$  be an isogeny between principally polarised abelian varieties;
- When  $\text{Ker } f$  is not maximal isotropic in  $A[\ell]$  then  $f^*H_2$  is not of the form  $\ell H_1$ ;
- How can we go from the principal polarisation  $H_1$  to  $f^*H_1$ ?

## Non principal polarisations

### Theorem (Birkenhake-Lange, Th. 5.2.4)

Let  $A$  be an abelian variety with a principal polarisation  $\mathcal{L}_1$ ;

- Let  $O_0 = \text{End}(A)^s$  be the real algebra of endomorphisms symmetric under the Rosati involution;
- Let  $\text{NS}(A)$  be the Néron-Severi group of line bundles modulo algebraic equivalence.

Then

- $\text{NS}(A)$  is a torsor under the action of  $O_0$ ;
- This induces a bijection between polarisations of degree  $d$  in  $\text{NS}(A)$  and totally positive symmetric endomorphisms of norm  $d$  in  $O_0$ ;
- The isomorphic class of a polarisation  $\mathcal{L}_f \in \text{NS}(A)$  for  $f \in O_0^+$  correspond to the action  $\varphi \mapsto \varphi^* f \varphi$  of the automorphisms of  $A$ .

## Cyclic isogeny

- Let  $f : (A, H_1) \rightarrow (B, H_2)$  be an isogeny between principally polarised abelian varieties with cyclic kernel of degree  $\ell$ ;
- There exists  $\varphi$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\
 & \nearrow \varphi & \downarrow \Phi_{f^*H_2} & & \downarrow \Phi_{H_2} \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\Phi_{H_1}} & \widehat{A} & \xleftarrow{\widehat{f}} & \widehat{B}
 \end{array}$$

- $\varphi$  is an  $(\ell, 0, \dots, \ell, 0, \dots)$ -isogeny whose kernel is not isotropic for the  $H_1$ -Weil pairing on  $A[\ell]$ !
- $\varphi$  commutes with the Rosatti involution so is a **real endomorphism** ( $\varphi$  is  $H_1$ -symmetric);
- $\varphi$  is **totally positive**.

## Descending a polarisation via $\varphi$

- The isogeny  $f$  induces a compatible isogeny between  $\varphi H_1 = f^* H_2$  and  $H_2$  where  $\varphi H_1$  is given by the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & A \\
 & \searrow \Phi_{\varphi H_1} & \downarrow \Phi_{H_1} \\
 & & \widehat{A}
 \end{array}$$

- $\varphi$  plays the same role as  $[l]$  for  $l$ -isogenies;
- We then define the  $\varphi$ -contragredient isogeny  $\tilde{f}$  as the isogeny making the following diagram commute

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & x \in (A, \varphi^* H_1) & \\
 & \swarrow f & \downarrow \varphi \\
 y \in (B, \varphi H_2) & & \\
 & \searrow \tilde{f} & \\
 & \tilde{f}(y) \in (A, H_1) &
 \end{array}$$

## $\varphi$ -change of level

- We can use the isogeny theorem to compute  $f$  from  $(A, \varphi H_1)$  down to  $(B, H_2)$  or  $\tilde{f}$  from  $(B, H_2)$  up to  $(A, \varphi H_1)$  as before;
- What about changing level between  $(A, \varphi H_1)$  and  $(A, H_1)$ ?
- $\varphi H_1$  fits in the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & A \\ \Phi_{\varphi^* H_1} \downarrow & \searrow \Phi_{\varphi H_1} & \downarrow \Phi_{H_1} \\ \hat{A} & \xleftarrow{\hat{\varphi}} & \hat{A} \end{array}$$

- Applying the isogeny theorem on  $\varphi$  allows to find relations between  $\varphi^* H_1$  and  $H_1$  but we want  $\varphi H_1$ .

## $\varphi$ -change of level

- $\varphi$  is a totally positive element of a totally positive order  $O_0$ ;
- A theorem of Siegel show that  $\varphi$  is a sum of  $m$  squares in  $K_0 = O_0 \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ ;
- Clifford's algebras give a matrix  $F \in \text{Mat}_r(K_0)$  such that  $\text{diag}(\varphi) = F^*F$ ;
- We can use this matrix  $F$  to change level as before: If  $X \in (\mathbb{C}^g)^r$  and  $Y = F(X) \in (\mathbb{C}^g)^r$ ,  $j \in (\mathbb{Q}^g)^r$  and  $i = F(j)$ , we have

$$\vartheta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ i_1 \end{bmatrix} \left( Y_1, \frac{\Omega}{n} \right) \dots \vartheta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ i_r \end{bmatrix} \left( Y_r, \frac{\Omega}{n} \right) = \sum_{\substack{t_1, \dots, t_r \in K(\varphi H_1) \\ F(t_1, \dots, t_r) = (0, \dots, 0)}} \vartheta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ j_1 \end{bmatrix} \left( X_1 + t_1, \frac{\varphi^{-1}\Omega}{n} \right) \dots \vartheta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ j_r \end{bmatrix} \left( X_r + t_r, \frac{\varphi^{-1}\Omega}{n} \right),$$

### Remark

- In general  $r$  can be larger than  $m$ ;
- The matrix  $F$  acts by real endomorphism rather than by integer multiplication;
- There may be denominators in the coefficients of  $F$ .

# The Algorithm for cyclic isogenies [Dudeanu, Jetchev, R.]

$$B = \mathbb{C}^g / (\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g), \quad A = \mathbb{C}^g / (\mathbb{Z}^g + \varphi \Omega \mathbb{Z}^n)$$

$$\vartheta_b^B := \vartheta \left[ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ b/n \end{array} \right] \left( \cdot, \frac{\Omega}{n} \right), \quad \vartheta_b^A := \vartheta \left[ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ b/n \end{array} \right] \left( \cdot, \frac{\varphi \Omega}{n} \right)$$

## Theorem

Let  $X$  in  $(\mathbb{C}^g)^r$  and  $Y = XF^{-1} \in (\mathbb{C}^g)^r$ . Let  $i \in (Z(\bar{n}))^r$  and  $j = iF^{-1}$ .

$$\vartheta_{i_1}^A(Y_1) \dots \vartheta_{i_r}^A(Y_r) = \sum_{\substack{t_1, \dots, t_r \in K(\varphi H_2) \\ (t_1, \dots, t_r) F = (0, \dots, 0)}} \vartheta_{j_1}^B(X_1 + t_1) \dots \vartheta_{j_r}^B(X_r + t_r),$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 x \in (A, \varphi H_1) & \dashrightarrow & (x, 0, \dots, 0) \in (A^r, \varphi H_1 \star \dots \star \varphi H_1) \\
 \swarrow f & & \downarrow {}^t F \\
 y \in (B, H_2) & & {}^t F(x, 0, \dots, 0) \in (A^r, \varphi H_1 \star \dots \star \varphi H_1) \\
 \searrow \tilde{f} & & \downarrow F \\
 & & F \circ {}^t F(x, 0, \dots, 0) \in (A^r, H_1 \star \dots \star H_1) \\
 & \longleftarrow & \\
 \tilde{f}(y) \in (A, H_1) & & 
 \end{array}$$

$\varphi$  (vertical arrow from  $x \in (A, \varphi H_1)$  to  $\tilde{f}(y) \in (A, H_1)$ )

## Hidden details

- We normalize the coordinates by using multi-way additions;
- The real endomorphisms are codiagonalisables (in the ordinary case), this is important to apply the isogeny theorem;
- If  $g = 2$ ,  $K_0 = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ , the action of  $\sqrt{d}$  is given by a standard  $(d, d)$ -isogeny, so we can compute it using the previous algorithm for  $d$ -isogenies!
- The important point is that this algorithm is such that we can keep track of the projective factors when computing the action of  $\sqrt{d}$ .

### Remark

*Computing the action of  $\sqrt{d}$  directly may be expensive if  $d$  is big.*

## AVIsogenies [Bisson, Cosset, R.]

- AVIsogenies: Magma code written by Bisson, Cosset and R.  
<http://avisogenies.gforge.inria.fr>
- Released under LGPL 2+.
- Implement isogeny computation (and applications thereof) for abelian varieties using theta functions.
- Current release 0.6.
- Cyclic isogenies coming “soon”!