

# New applications of higher dimensional isogenies

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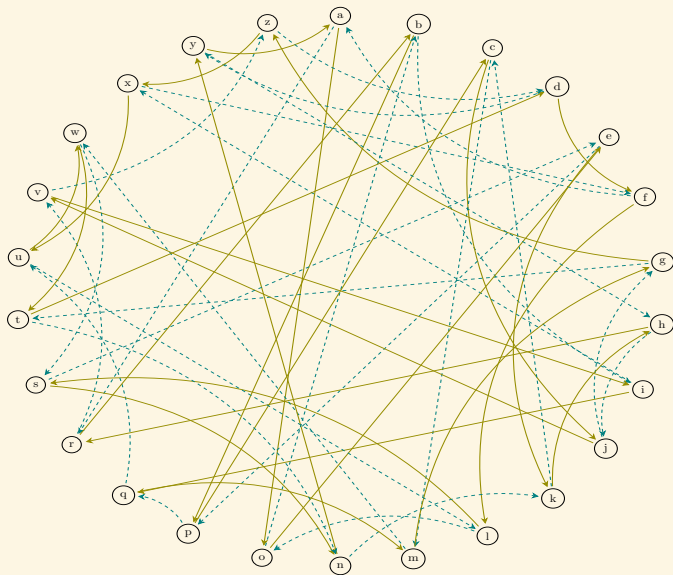
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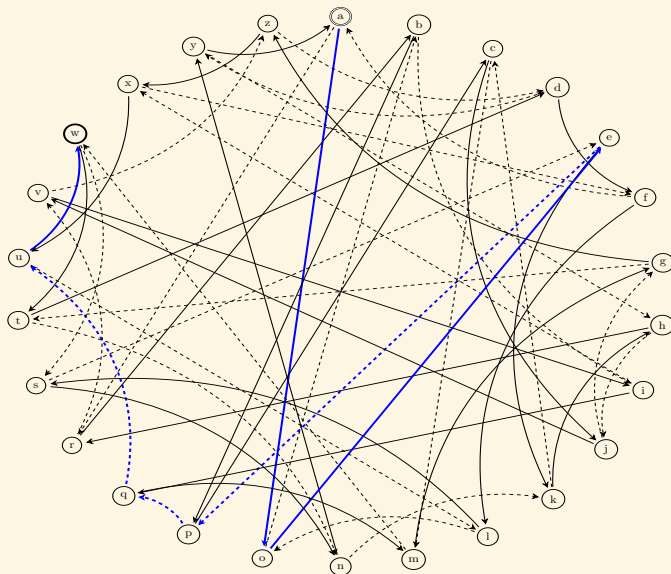
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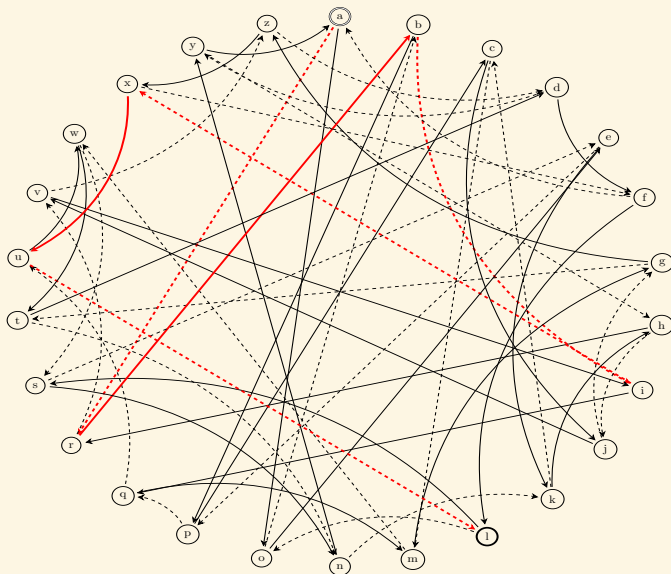
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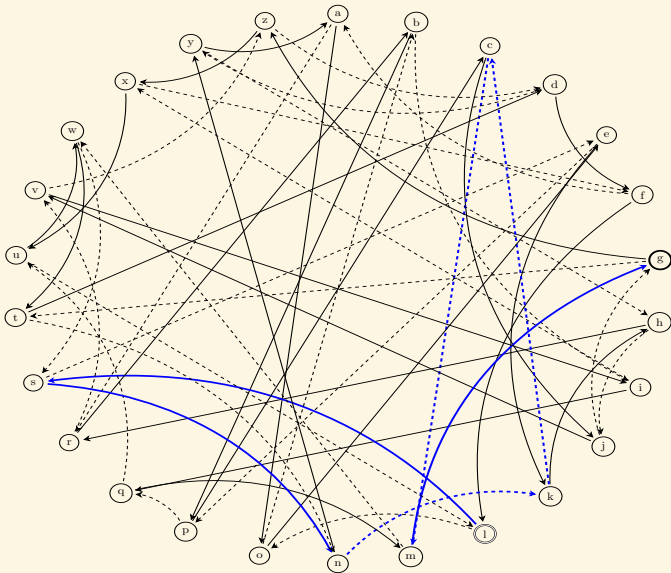
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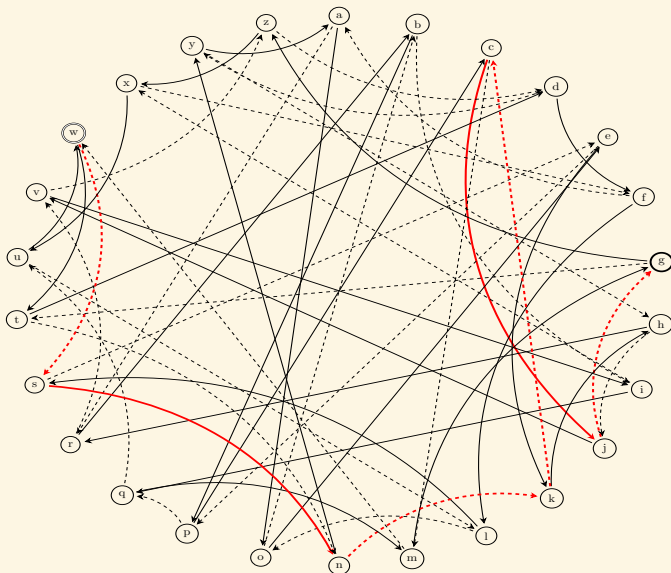
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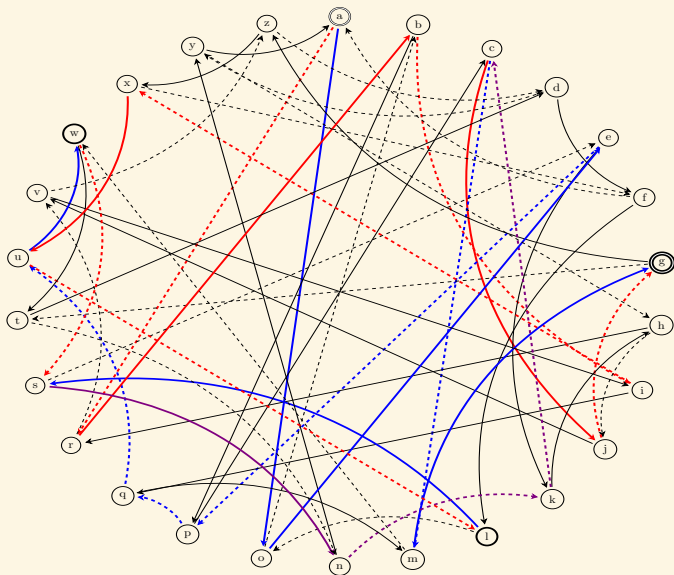
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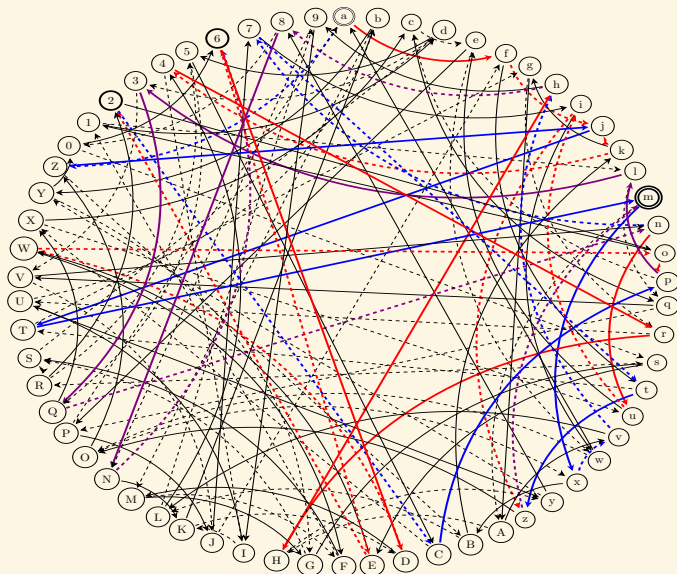
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The full exchange:



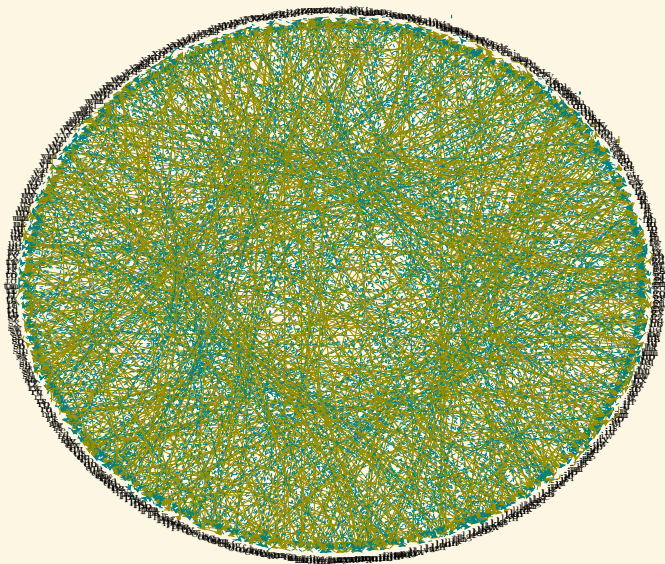
## Key exchange on a (commutative) graph

Bigger graph (62 nodes)



## Key exchange on a (commutative) graph

Even bigger graph (676 nodes)



## Isogeny graphs for key exchange

- Needs a graph with good mixing properties:  
A path of length  $O(\log N)$  gives a uniform node  $\Rightarrow$  Ramanujan/expander graph.
- The graph does not fit in memory ( $N = 2^{256}$ ).
- Needs an algorithm taking a node as input and giving the neighbour nodes as output.
- Isogeny graph of ordinary elliptic curves  $E/\mathbb{F}_p$  [Couveignes (1997)], [Rostovtsev–Stolbunov (2006)]
- Graph of size  $N \approx \sqrt{p}$ .
- Torsor (principal homogeneous space) under the class group  $\text{Cl}(\text{End}(E_0))$ .
- ☺ Commutative graph!
- ☹ Hidden shift problem solvable in quantum subexponential  $L(1/2)$  time for an abelian group action via Kuperberg's algorithm.
- SIDH: supersingular elliptic curve Diffie-Hellmann [De Feo, Jao (2011)], [De Feo, Jao, Plût (2014)]
- Use the isogeny graph of a supersingular elliptic curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  ( $N \approx p$ ).

# Isogeny graphs for key exchange

## **Meme: Gru's plan**

- Isogeny based key exchange
- Use supersingular curves
- The graph is non commutative
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## SIDH in practice

- $p = 2^a 3^b - 1$ ,  $N_A = 2^a$ ,  $N_B = 3^b$ ,  $N_A$  prime to  $N_B$ .
- $E_0 : y^2 = x^3 + x$  (supersingular when  $a \geq 2$ )
- $E_0[N_A] = \langle P_A, Q_A \rangle$ ,  $E_0[N_B] = \langle P_B, Q_B \rangle$ .
- Alice's **secret** isogeny:  $\phi_A$  of kernel  $\langle P_A + s_A Q_A \rangle$ .
- Bob's **secret** isogeny:  $\phi_B$  of kernel  $\langle P_B + s_B Q_B \rangle$ .
- Key exchange:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 E_0 & \xrightarrow{\phi_B} & E_B \\
 \downarrow \phi_A & & \downarrow \phi'_A \\
 E_A & \xrightarrow{\phi'_B} & E_{AB}
 \end{array}$$

- $E_{AB}$  is the **shared secret**.
- $\phi'_A \circ \phi_B = \phi'_B \circ \phi_A : E_0 \rightarrow E_{AB}$  has kernel  $\text{Ker } \phi_A + \text{Ker } \phi_B$ .
- $\phi'_A$  has kernel  $\langle \phi_B(P_A + s_A Q_A) \rangle$ ,  $\phi'_B$  has kernel  $\langle \phi_A(P_B + s_B Q_B) \rangle$ .
- Alice publishes:  $P'_B = \phi_A(P_B)$ ,  $Q'_B = \phi_A(Q_B)$ .  
Bob publishes:  $P'_A = \phi_B(P_A)$ ,  $Q'_A = \phi_B(Q_A)$ . ("Torsion points".)
- $\text{Ker } \phi'_A = \langle P'_A + s_A Q'_A \rangle$ ,  $\text{Ker } \phi'_B = \langle P'_B + s_B Q'_B \rangle$ .
- Key exchange in  $\widetilde{O}(\log N_A \ell_A + \log N_B \ell_B)$   
(Via fast smooth isogeny computation [De Feo, Jao, Plût (2014)])

# Isogeny evaluation and interpolation

- **Evaluation**: given an  $N$ -isogeny  $f$  and a point  $Q \in E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , evaluate  $f(Q)$ .
- $N$ -evaluation problem:  $f$  is an  $N$ -isogeny =  $\text{Ker } f$  is of degree  $N$ .
- **Interpolation**: given a tuple  $(P, f(P))$ , recover  $f$ .
- $(N, N')$ -interpolation problem: given  $f$  an  $N$ -isogeny and  $P$  a point of  $N'$ -torsion, from  $(P, f(P))$  and  $Q \in E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , evaluate  $f(Q)$  ( $N' \geq N$ ).
- **Weak interpolation**: we are given  $(P_1, f(P_1)), (P_2, f(P_2))$  for  $(P_1, P_2)$  a basis of  $E[N']$ .
- **SIDH**: the key exchange uses the  $N_A$  and  $N_B$  evaluation problems
- If we can solve the weak interpolation problem when  $N = N_A, N' = N_B$  are smooth in polylogarithmic time, we can **break SIDH**.

## **Meme: Anakin**

- I have a nice key exchange protocol
- You don't use torsion points, right?
- ...
- Right?

## Evaluation

- $f : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  an  $N$ -isogeny
- $f(x, y) = \left( \frac{g(x)}{h(x)}, cy \left( \frac{g(x)}{h(x)} \right)' \right), \deg g, \deg h \leq N$
- [Vélu 1971]: given  $h(x)$  representing the kernel  $\text{Ker } f : \{P \in E \mid h(x(P)) = 0\}$ , evaluate  $f(Q)$  in  $O(N)$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .
- Kernel representation: Linear time and linear space.
- Velusqrt special case  $\text{Ker } f = \langle T \rangle, T \in \mathbb{F}_{q^d}$ , evaluate  $f(Q)$  in  $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{N})$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_{q^d}$ .
- Generator representation: Compact representation if  $d$  small.
- If  $N$  is smooth,  $f$  can be decomposed into a product of small isogenies.
- Evaluation in  $O(\log N \ell_N)$  or  $\tilde{O}(\log N \sqrt{\ell_N})$ .
- Decomposed representation: Logarithmic time and space.
- The decomposition cost is quasi-logarithmic if  $\text{Ker } f = \langle T \rangle$  with  $T \in \mathbb{F}_q$  (or lives in a small extension); hence polylogarithmic if  $N$  is powersmooth; but linear if  $T$  lives in a large extension.
- In SIDH: the  $A$  and  $B$  torsion points are rational, so the decomposition is fast!

# Interpolation

- Given  $(P, f(P))$ ,  $P$  a point of order  $N' \geq 2N$ , recover the rational function  $\frac{g(x)}{h(x)}$  in  $\tilde{O}(N)$  by interpolating the points  $(x(mP), x(mf(P)))$ ,  $m = 1, \dots, N' - 1$ .
- Can evaluate on  $\mathbb{Q}$  directly.
- Quasi-linear time.
- Faster algorithm when  $N'$  is smooth?
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## Revisiting isogeny evaluation

- Can an  $N$ -isogeny be evaluated faster than linear time when  $N$  has a large prime factor?
- If  $f = [\ell]$  (so  $N = \ell^2$ ): double and add in  $O(\log \ell)$  to evaluate  $\ell Q$ .
- $F : E^2 \rightarrow E^2, (P_1, P_2) \mapsto (P_1 + P_2, P_1 - P_2)$  is a 2-isogeny in dimension 2.
- $F = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- Double:  $F(T, T) = (2T, 0)$ .
- Add:  $F(T, Q) = (T + Q, T - Q)$ .
- We can evaluate  $\ell Q$  as a composition of  $O(\log \ell)$  evaluations of  $F$ , 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] ( $g > 1$ )

- $\alpha : A \rightarrow B$  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  $\beta' \alpha = \alpha' \beta$ :

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

- If  $a$  prime to  $b$ , the pushforward  $\alpha', \beta'$  of  $\alpha$  by  $\beta$  satisfy these conditions.

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

## Using Kani's lemma for the interpolation

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

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

### Examples:

- $m$  smooth [Castrick–Decru; Maino–Martindale (2022)]
- $m = \ell^2$ : take  $\alpha = [\ell]$
- $\text{End}(E)$  has an efficient endomorphism  $\alpha$  of norm  $m$  [Castrick–Decru; Wesolowski (2022)].

## The general case: Zahrin's trick

- $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ -a_2 & a_1 \end{pmatrix}$  is always an endomorphism of norm  $m = a_1^2 + a_2^2$  on  $E^2$

- Gaussian integers  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$

- $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & -a_2 & -a_3 & -a_4 \\ a_2 & a_1 & a_4 & -a_3 \\ a_3 & -a_4 & a_1 & a_2 \\ a_4 & a_3 & -a_2 & a_1 \end{pmatrix}$  is always an 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.

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow \\ A' & \xrightarrow{F} & B' \end{array}$$

- Considerable flexibility (at the cost of going up in dimension).
  - Reduces the weak  $(N, N')$ -interpolation problem to the  $N'$ -evaluation problem in higher dimension
  - Actually only need the image of  $f$  on a subgroup of size  $N'$ ,  $N' > 4N$  (via further tricks by Castryck, De Feo, R., Wesolowski...)
- ⇒ Solves the interpolation problem when  $N'$  is (power) smooth
- Amazing fact: does not require  $\text{Ker } f$ , works even if  $N$  is prime
  - Breaks SIDH: [Castryck–Decru], [Maino–Martindale] in dimension 2, [R.] in dimension 4 or 8

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### **Meme: disaster girl**

- SIDH
- Higher dimensional isogenies

## Efficient representation of isogenies [R. 2022]

- If we know the evaluation of  $f$  on a basis of  $E[N']$ , we can replace  $f$  by a  $N'$ -isogeny  $F$  in higher dimension

⇒ Polylogarithmic time and space

- Previously: linear time (for a general isogeny)
- **Torsion representation**:  $(P_i, Q_i, f(P_i), f(Q_i))$  for  $(P_i, Q_i)$  basis of  $E[\ell_i^{e_i}]$ , small torsion points ( $N' = \prod \ell_i^{e_i} > 2\sqrt{N}$ )
- If  $E[2^n] = \langle P_1, P_2 \rangle$  is rational, take  $N' = 2^n$ .
- The torsion representation is an universal efficient representation
- We just need the image of  $f$  on enough nice points
- **Corollary**: If  $f$  has an efficient representation, so does  $f/m$  (division) and  $\hat{f}$  (dual)

## Some algorithmic applications [R. 2022]

- $E/\mathbb{F}_q$  ordinary elliptic curve,  $K = \text{End}(E) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ . Given the factorisation of  $[O_K : \mathbb{Z}[\pi]]$ , compute  $\text{End}(E)$  in **polynomial time**.  
Factorisation: quantum polynomial time, classical subexponential time
- Previously: no quantum polynomial time algorithm known.  
Classical algorithm in  $L(1/2)$  under GRH [Bisson–Sutherland 2009].
- Compute the canonical lift  $\hat{E}/\mathbb{Z}_q$  in **polynomial time**.
- Previously:  $L(1/2)$  under GRH [Couveignes–Henocq 2002]
- Compute the modular polynomial  $\Phi_\ell$  in quasi-linear time in any dimension  $g$ .
- Previously: no algorithm known to compute  $\Phi_\ell$  in quasi-linear time when  $g > 2$ .

## Point counting and canonical lifts

$E/\mathbb{F}_q, q = p^n$ .

- [Schoof 1985]:  $\tilde{O}(n^5 \log^5 p)$  (Étale cohomology)
- [SEA 1992]:  $\tilde{O}(n^4 \log^4 p)$  (Heuristic)
- [Kedlaya 2001]:  $\tilde{O}(n^3 p)$  (Rigid cohomology)
- [Harvey 2007]:  $\tilde{O}(n^{3.5} p^{1/2} + n^5 \log p)$
- [Sato 2000] (canonical lifts of ordinary curves):  $\tilde{O}(n^2 p^2)$  (Crystalline cohomology)
- [Maiga – R. 2021]:  $\tilde{O}(n^2 p)$
- [R. 2022]:  $\tilde{O}(n^2 \log^8 p + n \log^{11} p)$

# Cryptographic applications

- Free protocols from the shackle of using only smooth degree isogenies
- Choose  $E$  with large rational  $2^m$ -torsion  $\Rightarrow$  embed  $N$ -isogenies into higher dimensional  $2^m$ -isogenies
- SQISignHD [Dartois, Leroux, R., Wesolowski 2023]: post-quantum signature scheme
  - Signing in dimension 1, verification in dimension 4
  - Public key: 64B, Signature: 105B
  - Prior Art: SQISign: 204B, Lattices: 666B–2420B, (ECDSA: 64B)
- FESTA [Basso, Maino, Pope 2023]: encryption in dimension 1, decryption in dimension 2 (or 4)
- VRF [Leroux 2023]: use dimension up to 4
  - Partial VDF construction by [Maino 2023]: use dimension 2
- Identity based encryption [Fouotsa 2023]: use dimension 8

## **Meme: Buzz**

- Higher dimensional isogenies
- Higher dimensional isogenies everywhere

# 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  $O(N^g)$  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  $O(N^g)$  in the Jacobian model.
- Not hard to extend to product of Jacobians.
- Restricted to  $g \leq 3$ .

## $2^m$ -isogenies in higher dimension

- [R. 2023]: **faster formula** for  $2^m$ -isogenies in the theta model
- **Decomposition**:  $g$  points to push,  $2^g$  coordinates by point
- **Cost** compared to dimension 1: dimension 2:  $\times 4$ , dimension 4:  $\times 32$ , dimension 8:  $\times 1024$ .
- **Images**: dimension 2:  $\times 2$ , dimension 4:  $\times 8$ , dimension 8:  $\times 128$ .
- Optimised Sage implementation of  $2^m$ -isogenies in dimension 2 (with Dartois, Kunzweiler, Maino, Pope):
  - ▶ In dimension 1, a  $2^{602}$  isogeny over a field of 2360 bits: decomposition in 0.27s, image in 0.008s.
  - ▶ In dimension 2: decomposition in 0.49s, image in 0.025s (theta)
  - ▶ Richelot: decomposition in 4.85s, image in 0.47s
- Implementation in dimension 4 (Dartois): A  $2^{128}$ -isogeny over a field of 500 bits in 0.62s.

## **Meme: funeral**

- SIDH
- 2011-2022

## Polarisations and isogenies on an abelian variety

- Polarisation on  $A$  = a (symmetric) isogeny  $\lambda_A : A \rightarrow \hat{A}$
- Principal polarisation:  $\lambda_A$  is an isomorphism.
- Warning:  $A$  may have several non equivalent principal polarisations if  $g > 1$ .

### Example (Superspecial abelian surfaces)

$A = E^2, E/\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  supersingular. It admits  $\approx p^2/288$  product polarisations  $(E_1 \times E_2, \lambda_{E_1} \times \lambda_{E_2})$  where  $E_1, E_2$  are supersingular and  $\approx p^3/2880$  indecomposable polarisations  $(\text{Jac } C, \Theta_C)$  where  $C$  is an hyperelliptic curve of genus 2.

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- $f : (A, \lambda_A) \rightarrow (B, \lambda_B)$   **$N$ -isogeny** between ppav:  $f^* \lambda_B = N \lambda_A$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ \lambda_A^{-1} \uparrow & & \downarrow \lambda_B \\ \hat{A} & \xleftarrow{\hat{f}} & \hat{B} \end{array}$$

- Dual isogeny:  $\hat{f} : \hat{B} \rightarrow \hat{A}$
- Contragredient isogeny:  $\tilde{f} = \lambda_A^{-1} \hat{f} \lambda_B : B \rightarrow A$
- $f$   $N$ -isogeny  $\Leftrightarrow \tilde{f} f = N \Leftrightarrow f \tilde{f} = N$ .
- $\text{Ker } f = \text{Im}(\tilde{f} \mid B[N])$ .