

# Infinitesimal pairings and CSIDH

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# Pairings in isogeny based cryptography

- [CSV2020]: Tate pairing to attack isogeny-DDH;  
Genus theory describes the characters  $\chi : \text{Cl}(O) \rightarrow \pm 1$ , and the Tate pairing can be used to compute  $\chi(\mathfrak{a})$ ;
- [CHVW2022]: Weil pairing to compute  $\chi(\mathfrak{a})$ ;
- [CHMMvBV2023]: Generalised Tate pairing to attack the class group action;  
⇒ Applies when  $\Delta_O$  has a large enough smooth factor
- This talk: CSIDH
- Infinitesimal pairings
- Work in progress (Euphemism for “I don’t know how to compute anything”)
- More questions than answers...

## The Weil-Cartier pairing

- If  $\gamma \in \text{End}(E)$  of norm  $d$ , **non degenerate** pairing

$$e_\gamma : E[\gamma] \times E[\hat{\gamma}] \rightarrow \mu_d.$$

- Primitively **oriented elliptic curve**:  $O$  quadratic imaginary order of discriminant  $\Delta = \Delta_O < 0$ ;
  - Special case  $\gamma = \alpha := \sqrt{\Delta}$ ;
  - $E[\alpha]$  is **cyclic** (the orientation is primitive);
  - $E[\hat{\alpha}] = E[\alpha]$  ( $\hat{\alpha} = \bar{\alpha} = -\alpha$ );
- $\Rightarrow e_\alpha : E[\alpha] \times E[\alpha] \rightarrow \mu_\Delta$  is a **non degenerate self pairing** of order  $\Delta$ .
- $e_\alpha(P, Q) = e_\Delta(P, Q')$  for  $\alpha(Q') = Q$

## Application 1: reconstructing an isogeny [CHMMvBV2023]

- $\phi : E_A \rightarrow E_B$  unknown oriented isogeny of **known degree  $n$** ;
  - $\phi(E_A[\gamma]) = E_B[\gamma]$
  - $\gamma = [\ell]: e_\ell$  gives constraints on  $\phi \mid E_A[\ell]$ ;
  - $\gamma$  cyclic: via the Weil pairing  $e_{\gamma'}$  recover the action of  $\phi$  on  $E_A[\hat{\gamma}]$  from the action on  $E_A[\gamma]$ .
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- Special case:  $\gamma = \alpha$ ;
  - $e_\alpha(\phi(P), \phi(P)) = e_\alpha(P, P)^n$ ;
  - If  $Q \in E_B[\alpha]$  such that  $e_\alpha(Q, Q) = e_\alpha(P, P)$ , then  $\phi(P) = c \cdot Q$  with  $c^2 = n$  modulo  $\Delta$ ;
- $\Rightarrow$  Recover  $\phi(P)$  up to a "sign"  $\mu$  ( $\mu^2 = 1$  modulo  $\Delta$ )
- If  $\Delta > n$  this is enough to recover  $\phi$  (Kani+Zarhin+Banff/Bristol workshop)

## Application 2: genus theory

- If  $\ell \mid \Delta$  odd prime, character  $\chi_\ell$  on  $\text{Cl}(O)$ :

$$\chi_\ell([a]) = \left( \frac{N(a)}{\ell} \right) \in \{\pm 1\}$$

- Special formulas for  $\ell = 2$ ;
- There is exactly one non trivial relation between the characters.

- $\phi_a : E_A \rightarrow E_B = a \cdot E_A$
- $U_A = \{e_\alpha(P, P)^{\Delta/\ell} \mid P \in E_A[\alpha]\} = \{\zeta_A^{i^2} \mid i \in \{1, \dots, \Delta\}\},$   
 $U_B = \{e_\alpha(Q, Q)^{\Delta/\ell} \mid Q \in E_B[\alpha]\} = \{\zeta_B^{i^2} \mid i \in \{1, \dots, \Delta\}\} = \{\zeta_A^{N(a)i^2} \mid i \in \{1, \dots, \Delta\}\};$
- $\chi_\ell([a]) = 1 \Leftrightarrow U_A = U_B,$   
 $\chi_\ell([a]) = -1 \Leftrightarrow U_A \cap U_B = \{1\}.$
- $[a][b] = [b'][a'], \text{DDH: check if } [a] = [a'] (\Leftrightarrow [b] = [b'])?$
- Genus check:  $\chi_\ell([a]) = \chi_\ell([a'])$  for all  $\ell \mid \Delta$ ?

## Generalised Tate pairings

- If  $m \mid \Delta$ ,  $e_\alpha$  induces a non degenerate pairing (the **generalised Tate pairing**)

$$E[\alpha, m] \times E[\alpha]/mE[\alpha] \rightarrow \mu_m$$

- If  $P = \frac{\Delta}{m}P' \in E[\alpha, m]$  and  $Q = mQ' \in E[\alpha]/mE[\alpha]$ ,

$$e_\alpha(P, Q) = e_m(P, \hat{\alpha}(Q')) = e_\alpha(P', Q)^{\frac{\Delta}{m}} = e_\Delta(P', \hat{\alpha}(Q'))^{\frac{\Delta}{m}}$$

- $P \in E[\alpha] \mapsto e_\alpha(\frac{\Delta}{m}P, P)$  induces a self pairing of order  $m$  on  $E[\alpha, m]$ ;
- Allows to restrict to the **smooth part** of  $\Delta$ .

- Usual Tate pairing:  $\alpha = \pi - 1$ ;
- Generalised Tate-Cartier pairing: if  $\psi_2 \circ \sigma_1 = \sigma_2 \circ \psi_1$ ,  
 $e_{\sigma_1} : A_1[\sigma_1] \times A_2[\hat{\sigma}_1] \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$  induces

$$A_1[\sigma_1, \psi_1] \times \hat{A}_2[\hat{\sigma}_1]/\hat{\psi}_2(\hat{B}_2[\hat{\sigma}_2]) \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$$

and  $e_{\sigma_1}(P_1, Q_2) = e_{\psi_1}(P_1, \hat{\sigma}_2 Q')$  where  $\hat{\psi}_2 Q' = Q$ .

- In CSIDH/CSURF:  $E/\mathbb{F}_p$  supersingular elliptic curve
- $\Delta = -4p$  or  $\Delta = -p$ ;
- Needs  $\ell = p$  to get meaningful information
- Infinitesimal Weil pairing:  $e_p : E[p] \times E[p] \rightarrow \mu_p$
- $\alpha = \pi$  is the Frobenius
- Infinitesimal self pairing:  $e_\pi$  on  $E[\pi]$  with values in  $\mu_p$
- $e_\pi(P, Q) = e_p(P, Q')$  where  $\pi(Q') = Q$ .
- $E/k$  supersingular curve,  $k$  perfect of characteristic  $p$
- $E[\pi] = \{(X : Y : Z) \in E \mid (X^p : Y^p : Z^p) = (0 : 1 : 0)\} \simeq \alpha_p = \text{Spec } k[X]/X^p$
- $E[p] = \{(X : Y : Z) \in E \mid (X^{p^2} : Y^{p^2} : Z^{p^2}) = (0 : 1 : 0)\} \simeq I_{1,1}$   
the unique autodual non split extension of  $\alpha_p$  by itself
- $\mu_p = \text{Spec } k[X]/(X^p - 1)$

# Dieudonné theory

- Dieudonné ring:  $A = W(k)\{F, V\}$  with  $VF = FV = p, F\lambda = \lambda^\sigma F, \lambda V = V\lambda^\sigma$   
( $\sigma$  Frobenius on  $W(k)$ )
- Anti-equivalence of category  $G \mapsto \mathbb{D}(G)$  from finite (flat) commutative group schemes of  $p$ -primary degree to left  $A$ -modules of finite  $W(k)$ -length
- $F$  corresponds to the Frobenius on  $G$  and  $V$  to the Verschiebung
- Functorial in  $k$
- If  $p \cdot G = 0$  then  $\mathbb{D}(G)$  is a  $k\{F, V\}$ -module;
- Extends to  $p$ -divisible groups: anti-equivalence between  $p$ -divisible groups  $G$  of height  $n$  and free left  $A$ -modules of rank  $n$
- Composing with duality we get a covariant theory but which permutes the role of  $F$  and  $V$



## Examples

- If  $G/k$  of order  $p$ ,  $\mathbb{D}(G)$  is a  $k$ -vector space of dimension 1 with some action by  $F$  and  $V$
- $\mathbb{D}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}): F = 1, V = 0$
- $\mathbb{D}(\mu_p): F = 0, V = 1$
- $\mathbb{D}(\alpha_p): F = 0, V = 0$
- If  $E/k$  is an elliptic curve,  $E(p)$  is a  $p$ -divisible group of height 2,  
 $\mathbb{D}(E(p))$  is a free  $W(k)$ -module of rank 2
- If  $E/k$  is ordinary,  $E(p) = E_{\text{etale}}(p) \times E_{\text{mult}}(p)$ ,

$$\mathbb{D}(E(p)) = \mathbb{D}(E_{\text{etale}}(p)) \oplus \mathbb{D}(E_{\text{mult}}(p))$$

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix}, V = \begin{pmatrix} \mu & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$\lambda, \mu$  the two eigenvalues,  $\lambda$  invertible modulo  $p$

- If  $E/k$  is supersingular,

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ p & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $V = -F$  on  $\mathbb{D}(E[p])$ .

## Duality [Oda 1969], [Berthelot, Breen, Messing 1979]

- **Duality** behaves as expected for the  $p$ -divisible group  $A(p)$  of an abelian variety  $A/k$ : we have a canonical (functorial) isomorphism

$$A^\vee(p) \simeq A(p)^\vee$$

- Duality behaves as expected for Dieudonné theory:

$$\mathbb{D}(G^\vee) \simeq \mathbb{D}(G)^\vee$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Pairing: } \mathbb{D}(A(p)) \times \mathbb{D}(A^\vee(p)) \rightarrow \mathbb{D}(\mathbb{G}_m)$$

- Weil pairing:  $e_p : A[p] \times A^\vee[p] \rightarrow \mu_p$
- If  $A$  is principally polarised:

$$e_p : \mathbb{D}(A[p]) \times \mathbb{D}(A[p]) \rightarrow \mathbb{D}(\mu_p)$$

# Infinitesimal self pairing for supersingular elliptic curves

- Frobenius filtration:  $0 \rightarrow E[\hat{\pi}] \rightarrow E[p] \rightarrow E[\pi] \rightarrow 0$  induces

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{D}(E[\pi]) \simeq \mathbb{D}(\alpha_p) \rightarrow \mathbb{D}(E[p]) \rightarrow \mathbb{D}(E[\hat{\pi}]) \simeq \mathbb{D}(\alpha_p) \rightarrow 0$$

- On a compatible symplectic basis  $(e_1, e_2)$ ,  $e_1 \in \mathbb{D}(E[\pi])$ :

$$F|_{\mathbb{D}(E[p])} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $e_p(e_1, e_2) = 1 \in \mathbb{D}(\mu_p)$

- Since  $F(e_2/c) = e_1$ ,

$$e_\pi(e_1, e_1) = e_p(e_1, e_2/c) = 1/c$$

# Infinitesimal pairings for CSIDH

1 Find a symplectic basis  $e_1, e_2$  of  $\mathbb{D}(E[p])$

2 Compute the action of  $F$  on this basis

3 Recover  $e_\pi$

$\Rightarrow$  Recover  $\chi_p(\alpha)$  given only the domain and codomain of  $\phi_\alpha$

$\Rightarrow$  If  $\phi_\alpha : E_A \rightarrow E_B$  unknown isogeny of known degree  $n$ , embed  $\phi_\alpha$  into a purely inseparable isogeny in higher dimension

• ???<sup>1</sup>

• Profit!

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<sup>1</sup>No reason to believe that an inseparable isogeny can be computed in time faster than  $O(p^C)$ ; the Frobenius seems to be a special case

## De Rham cohomology

- [Oda 1969]: canonical isomorphisms

$$\mathbb{D}(A[p]) \simeq H_{DR}^1(A), \mathbb{D}(A[\pi]) \simeq H^0(A, \Omega_{A/k}^1), \mathbb{D}(A[\hat{\pi}]) \simeq H^1(A, \mathcal{O}_A)$$

- De Rham cohomology: hypercohomology of the De Rham complex
- The Frobenius filtration

$$0 \rightarrow A[\hat{\pi}] \rightarrow A[p] \rightarrow A[\pi] \rightarrow 0$$

corresponds to the Hodge filtration

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(A, \Omega_{A/k}^0) \rightarrow H_{DR}^1(A) \rightarrow H^1(A, \mathcal{O}_A) \rightarrow 0$$

$\Rightarrow e_p$  is a pairing on  $H_{DR}^1(A)$

- If  $A = \text{Jac}(C)$ ,  $H_{DR}^1(A) = H_{DR}^1(C)$ ,  $H^1(A, \mathcal{O}_A) = H^1(C, \mathcal{O}_C) = H^0(C, K_C)$ .
- Cup product:  $H_{DR}^1(C) \times H_{DR}^1(C) \rightarrow H_{DR}^2(C) \xrightarrow{\text{Trace}} k$
- [Coleman]:  $e_p$  is the cup product pairing

## De Rham cohomology of an elliptic curve

- $H_{DR}^1(E) \simeq H_{DR}^1(E \setminus 0_E) \simeq H^0(\Omega(20_E)) = \langle dx/y, xdx/y \rangle$  ([Katz 1972] via log differentials)  
= Differentials with a pole of order  $\leq 2$  at infinity
- $e_p(dx/y, xdx/y) = 1$ ;
- For  $E/\mathbb{F}_p$  **supersingular**:  $\pi$  induces from  $e_p$  a non degenerate pairing  $e_\pi$  on  $H^0(E, \Omega_{E/k}) = \langle dx/y \rangle$ ;
- If  $F(xdx/y) = cdx/y$ ,

$$e_\pi(dx/y, dx/y) = 1/c.$$

- To compute  $e_\pi$ , we just need to know the action of  $F$  on  $xdx/y$
- This  $c$  depends on the curve equation  $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$ ;
- The change of variable  $(x, y) \mapsto (x', y') = (u^2x, u^3y)$  gives  $dx'/y' = 1/u \cdot dx/y$ ,  
 $x'dx'/y' = u \cdot xdx/y$ , so  $c' = u^2 \cdot c$ , and  $e_\pi(dx'/y', dx'/y') = \frac{1}{u^2c} = \frac{1}{u^2}e_\pi(dx/y, dx/y)$ .
- Kedlaya's algorithm:  $O(p)$ , Harvey:  $O(\sqrt{p})$   
(their algorithm actually computes the action of  $F$  on the Monsky-Vashnitzer cohomology which reduces modulo  $p$  to the De Rham cohomology)

## De Rham cohomology of an elliptic curve: the ordinary case

- $E/\mathbb{F}_q$  ordinary
- $A[p] = A[\pi] \oplus A[\hat{\pi}]$ ,  $A[\hat{\pi}]$  étale and  $A[\pi]$  multiplicative
- The Hodge filtration splits
- $H_{DR}^1(E) = H^0(E, \Omega_E^1) \oplus H^1(E, \mathcal{O}_E) = \langle dx/y, xdx/y \rangle$
- $\langle dx/y \rangle \simeq \mathbb{D}(E[\pi]) \simeq H^0(E, \Omega_E^1)$
- $\langle xdx/y \rangle \simeq \mathbb{D}(E[\hat{\pi}]) \simeq H^1(E, \mathcal{O}_E)$

# Applications of the infinitesimal self pairing

- $\phi_a : E_A \rightarrow E_B$  unknown CSIDH isogeny of known degree  $n$
- Compute  $e_\pi$  on  $E_A$  and  $E_B$
- Recover the action on differentials:  $\phi_a^* dx_B / y_B = \lambda dx_A / y_A$  (up to a sign)
- Solve a differential equation to recover the action of  $\phi_a$  on the formal group up to precision  $N < p$  [BMSS2008]



## Deformations for CSIDH

- The action on differentials is only defined up to a sign
- Kodaira-Spencer:  $H^0(E, \operatorname{Sym}^2 \Omega_{E/k}^1) \simeq \Omega_{A_1, E}^1$
- The square of a differential determines a deformation to  $k[\epsilon]/(\epsilon^2)$ ;
- Concretely:  $j'/j = -E_6/E_4$  is a modular form of weight two and for a deformation  $\tilde{E}/k[\epsilon]$ ,  
 $j(\tilde{E}) = j(E) + j'(E)\epsilon$
- Using  $e_\pi$ , given a deformation  $\tilde{E}_A$  of  $E_A$  to  $k[\epsilon]/\epsilon^2$ , we can compute the codomain  $\tilde{E}_B$  knowing only  $\deg \phi_a$ ;
- The CSIDH action carries additional information on the deformations!

## More on deformations

- $\mathbb{D}(A(p)) = H_{crys}^1(A, W(k))$  = hypercohomology of the De Rham-Witt complex  
[Deligne-Illusie] =  $H_{DR}^1(\tilde{A}/W(k))$  for any lift  $\tilde{A}/W(k)$  of  $A/k$   
(this is a crystal for the crystalline topology)
- Serre-Tate: deforming  $A/k$  = deforming  $A(p)/k$
- Grothendieck-Messing: deforming a  $p$ -divisible group  $G/k$  = deforming  $\mathbb{D}(G)/k$  = deforming/lifting its Hodge filtration
- If  $\tilde{A}/R$  is a lift of  $A/k$ , the Hodge filtration on  $\mathbb{D}(A(p))/R$  is the Hodge filtration on  $\tilde{A}$  (it does lift the Hodge filtration of  $A/k$ ).
- If  $E/\mathbb{F}_p$  supersingular, it lifts canonically to  $\tilde{E}/\mathbb{Z}_p$ , and an oriented CSIDH isogeny lifts
- Since  $\tilde{E}/\mathbb{Z}_p$  has supersingular reduction, the Weil pairing on  $\mathbb{D}(\tilde{E}(p))/\mathbb{Z}_p$  induces a self pairing on  $\mathbb{D}(\tilde{E}(p))/F\mathbb{D}(\tilde{E}(p))!$

## Revisiting anomalous curves

- If  $E/\mathbb{F}_p$  is an ordinary elliptic curve,  $\mathbb{D}(\hat{E}[\hat{\pi}]) \simeq H^0(E, \Omega_{E/k}^1)$  is explicitly given by  $D_P \in \hat{E}[\hat{\pi}] \mapsto df_P/f_P$  where  $f_P$  is any function in  $k(E)$  with divisor  $pD_P$ .
- The map  $P \in E[p]_{\text{etale}} = E[\hat{\pi}] \mapsto (P) - (0_E) \in \hat{E}[\hat{\pi}] \mapsto df_P/f_P \in H^0(E, \Omega_{E/k}^1)$  efficiently transfers the DLP to a (trivial) DLP on differentials (Semaev).
- Smart: uses the  $p$ -adic elliptic logarithm on a non canonical lift to  $\mathbb{Z}_p/p^2\mathbb{Z}_p$  instead.
- Canonical lift: the unique lift whose associated filtration is stable under Frobenius;  $p$ -adic elliptic logarithm: isomorphism of the formal Lie group of the elliptic curve with  $\hat{G}_a$ .
- Belding: uses the Weil pairing to a (non trivial) deformation to  $\mathbb{F}_p[\epsilon]$ .
- Voloch: uses  $p$ -descent.
- **In summary:** The Dieudonné functor, which replaces the algebraic group structure  $E[p]$  with differential linear data  $\mathbb{D}(E[p]) \simeq H_{DR}^1(E)$  or  $\mathbb{D}(E(p)) \simeq H_{crys}^1(E, \mathbb{Z}_p)$ , underlies these various anomalous DLP attacks.
- Can we find an “anomalous” attack on CSIDH?