

A new isogeny representation and application to cryptography.

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A little bit of isogeny-based cryptography recent history

1. (2011) SIDH
2. (2016) SIKE
3. (2018) CSIDH
4. (End of 2021) This work (pSIDH): new directions to explore.
5. (Summer of 2022) Attacks on SIDH.

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- CSIDH and variants, SQISign **are safe**.
- SIDH, B-SIDH and Seta **broken**.
- pSIDH??

Mathematical Background

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Best known **attacks**: requires random walk in the isogeny graph.

Complexity is polynomial in the size of the graph.

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Orders are rings: so we have **ideals**. In a non-commutative algebra, ideals have distinct **left and right** orders.

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$$\text{End}(E_0) = \langle 1, \iota, \frac{\iota + \pi}{2}, \frac{1 + \iota\pi}{2} \rangle \cong \langle 1, i, \frac{i+j}{2}, \frac{1+k}{2} \rangle$$

$\pi : (x, y) \mapsto (x^p, y^p)$ is the **Frobenius** morphism with $\pi \circ \pi = [-p]$.

$\iota : (x, y) \mapsto (-x, \sqrt{-1}y)$ is a **twisting automorphism** with $\iota \circ \iota = [-1]$.

Making the Deuring correspondence effective

Original motivation: [cryptanalysis](#).

We end up with a bunch of [nice algorithmic tools](#):

- Convert a maximal order in a supersingular curve.
- Translate an ideal into an isogeny.
- Find isogenies between curves of known endomorphism rings.

These algorithms are used in [GPS](#) and [SQISign](#), and our goal is to explore the [new possibilities](#) they offer.

Isogeny representations.

Let us take $\varphi : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ of degree D . By definition, we have:

$$\varphi : (x, y) \mapsto \left(\frac{f_1(x, y)}{f_2(x, y)}, \frac{g_1(x, y)}{g_2(x, y)} \right)$$

Isogeny representation: a string s_φ for which there exists algorithms

- $\text{Verify}(s_\varphi, E_1, E_2, D) \rightarrow b \in \{0, 1\}$ to tell if s_φ is **valid**.
- $\text{Evaluate}(s_\varphi, P)$ to compute $\varphi(P)$.

The standard and kernel representation

Standard rep: rational maps f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 (ok when degree is small **but that's all**).

Kernel rep: from a generator of the kernel. Uses the Vélu Formulas!

1. **Compact and efficient**, when the degree is "nice" = **smooth** and torsion pts defined over **small extension**. Most often used in isogeny crypto.
2. Complexity polynomial in D : **not adapted for isogenies of arbitrary degrees**.

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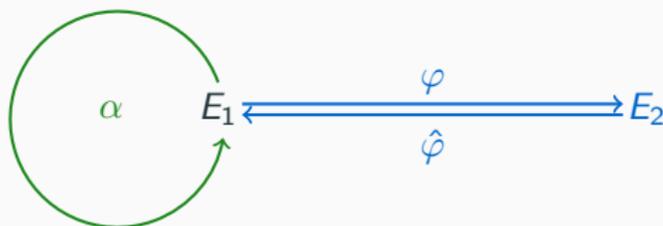
It is **almost too good!** It reveals **every information** about $\varphi, E_1, E_2!$ The ideal representation cannot be anything else than a secret in cryptography.

Can we have a representation **"in the middle"**?

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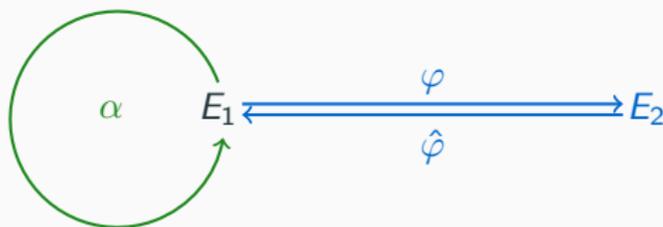
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Conversely: the existence of $\mathbb{Z} + D\text{End}(E_1) \hookrightarrow \text{End}(E_2)$ proves the existence of $\varphi : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ of degree D !

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1. D, E_1, E_2
2. $\text{End}(E_1)$ (≈ 16 coefficients in \mathbb{Z} for a basis).
3. s_1, s_2, s_3 where s_i is the **kernel representation** of an endomorphism $\theta_i : E_2 \rightarrow E_2$. Such that $\mathbb{Z} + D\text{End}(E_1) \hookrightarrow \text{End}(E_2)$ is generated by $\{[1], \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3\}$.

We can derive **polynomial time** algorithms **Verify**, **Evaluate** for this representation for any isogeny φ from **several new algorithm tools**.

Cryptography

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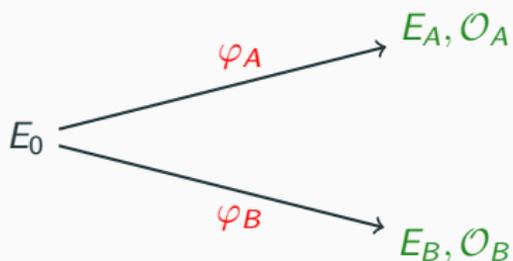
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Thm: SOIP \Leftrightarrow SOERP \Leftrightarrow T-SIP.

Best attack: quantum subexponential in D : because we reveal some endomorphisms, but they are chosen as not to give the full endomorphism rings!

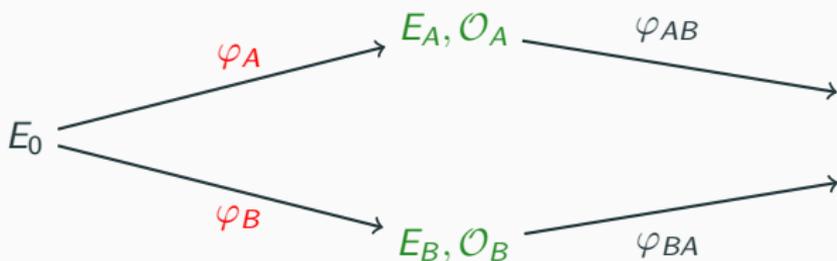
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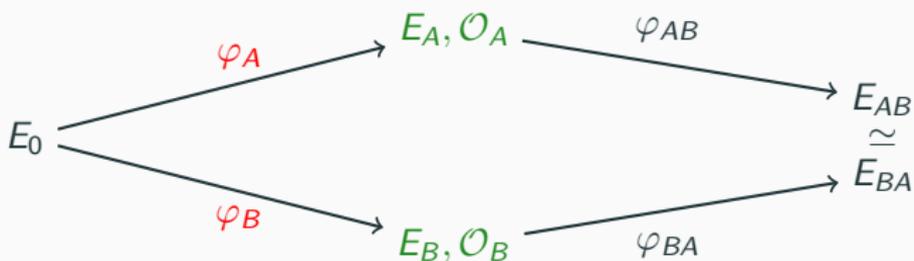
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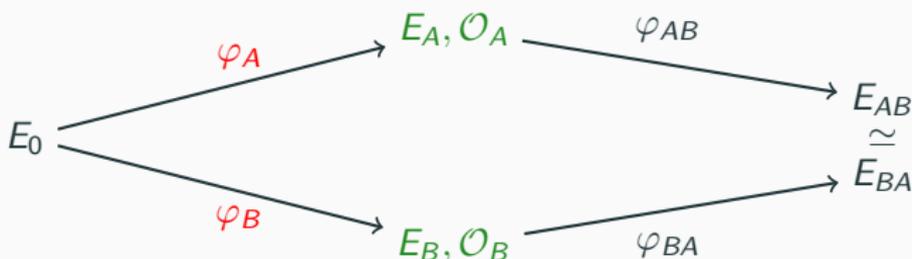
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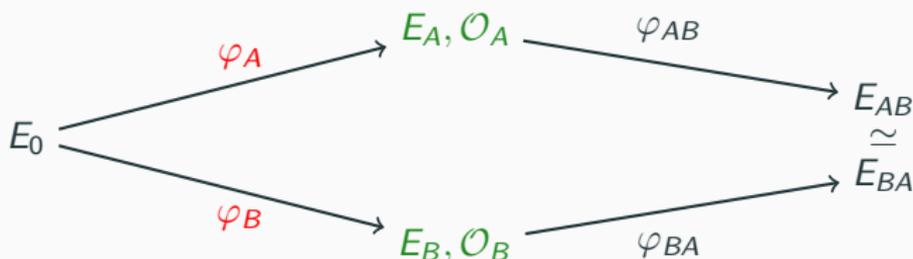
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In practice **not as good**... But the structure and the hard problem are different!

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