

Modular polynomials and isogenies

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I. Introduction

Motivations for computing isogenies in ANT/crypto:

- ▶ original one (1989ff): Schoof-Elkies-Atkin (SEA);
- ▶ later (circa 2000): Kohel, Galbraith, Fouquet/FM (volcanoes);
- ▶ more recently (2006ff): Galbraith/Hess/Smart; Smart; Jao/Miller/Venkatesan; Teske; Couveignes, Rostovtsev/Stolbunov.
- ▶ post-quantum cryptography (2011ff): Defeo/Jao, etc.

Bibliography:

- ▶ Silverman; Lang's *Elliptic functions*.
- ▶ **green book** (Blake/Seroussi/Smart). Don't forget to read the original papers, when available. . .
- ▶ Gathen & Gerhard, etc.

Elliptic curves and isogenies

$$E : y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B \text{ over } \mathbf{K}, \text{char}(\mathbf{K}) \notin \{2, 3\}.$$

Def. (torsion points) For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $E[n] = \{P \in E(\overline{\mathbf{K}}), [n]P = O_E\}$.

Division polynomials:

$$[n](x, y) = \left(\frac{\varphi_n(x, y)}{\psi_n(x, y)^2}, \frac{\omega_n(x, y)}{\psi_n(x, y)^3} \right)$$

$$\varphi_n = x\psi_n^2 - \psi_{n+1}\psi_{n-1}$$

$$4y\omega_n = \psi_{n+2}\psi_{n-1}^2 - \psi_{n-2}\psi_{n+1}^2$$

In $\mathbf{K}[x, y]/(y^2 - (x^3 + Ax + B))$, one has:

$$\psi_{2m+1}(x, y) = f_{2m+1}(x), \quad \psi_{2m} = 2yf_{2m}(x)$$

for some $f_m(x) \in \mathbf{K}[A, B, x]$.

Isogenies

Def. $\phi : E \rightarrow E^*$, $\phi(O_E) = O_{E^*}$; induces a morphism of groups.

First examples

1. Separable:

$$[k](x, y) = \left(\frac{\varphi_k}{\psi_k^2}, \frac{\omega_k}{\psi_k^3} \right)$$

2. Complex multiplication: $[i](x, y) = (-x, iy)$ on $E : y^2 = x^3 - x$.

3. Inseparable: $\varphi(x, y) = (x^p, y^p)$, $\mathbf{K} = \mathbb{F}_p$.

In the sequel:

- ▶ **only separable isogenies**;
- ▶ finite fields of large characteristic (see comments at the end).

Finding isogenies

Thm. If F is a finite subgroup of $E(\overline{\mathbf{K}})$, there exists ϕ and E^* s.t.

$$\phi : E \rightarrow E^* = E/F, \quad \ker(\phi) = F.$$

Facts:

- ▶ An equation of E^* can be computed using Vélu's formulas;
- ▶ the **kernel polynomial** (== denominator of ϕ) is $\mathcal{H}_F = X^d - \sigma_1 X^{d-1} + \dots$ is a factor of $f_\ell(X)$ (in case ℓ odd and $d = (\ell - 1)/2$).

Thm. All isogenous curves of degree ℓ to a given E are characterized by $\Phi_\ell(j(E^*), j(E)) = 0$, where Φ_ℓ is the traditional modular equation.

But: having $j(E^*)$ is not enough to find an equation for E^* (quadratic twists), nor the explicit isogeny.

Basic algorithm

Function *FindAllIsogenies*(E, ℓ):

Input : $E/\mathbb{F}_q = [A, B]$ an elliptic curve, ℓ an odd prime

Output: $\{(\sigma, A^*, B^*)\}$ parameters of curves E^* that are ℓ -isogenous to E if any

1. $\mathcal{L} \leftarrow$ roots of $\Phi_\ell(X, j(E)) = 0$ over \mathbf{K}

2. $\mathcal{R} \leftarrow \emptyset$

3. **for** $j^* \in \mathcal{L}$ **do**

$\mathcal{R} \leftarrow \mathcal{R} \cup \{(\sigma, A^*, B^*)\}$, the parameters of E^*

4. **return** \mathcal{R} .

Rem. $\#\mathcal{L} \in \{0, 2, 1, \ell + 1\}$; more is known on the splitting of $\Phi_\ell(X, j(E))$ over \mathbf{K} , for instance using the action of the Frobenius over $E[\ell]$.

Isogeny algorithms

Key ingredients:

- ▶ modular equations:
 - ▶ choose nice equations;
 - ▶ compute equations over $\mathbb{Z}[X]$ + instantiation over \mathbf{K} :
 - series over \mathbb{Z} (or $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$): (... , CCR, Atkin, ...);
 - evaluation/interpolation: with floating points (Dupont/Enge); with curves modulo p (Charles + Lauter).
 - ▶ Compute $\Phi_\ell(X, j(E))$ directly using isogeny volcanoes (Sutherland *et al.*).

- ▶ compute ℓ -isogenies:
 - ▶ compute isogenous curve: magical (ugly) formulas by Atkin; alternatively: CCR.
 - ▶ compute isogeny: depends on q and p , BMSS, Lercier/Sirvent, etc.

A glimpse at Elkies's work

INPUT: E and E^* related via an ℓ -isogeny with trace σ .

OUTPUT: $I(x) = N(x)/D(x) = N(x)/f_\lambda(x)^2$.

$$E : y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B, \quad E^* : y^2 = x^3 + A^*x + B^*,$$

can be parametrized as $(x, y) = (\wp(z), \wp'(z)/2)$, where the function \wp can be expanded as:

$$\wp(z) = \frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{i \geq 1} c_i z^{2i},$$

with

$$c_1 = -\frac{A}{5}, c_2 = -\frac{B}{7}, \quad \text{for } k \geq 3, c_k = \frac{3}{(k-2)(2k+3)} \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} c_i c_{k-1-i}.$$

(see BMSS paper for fast expansion method)

Elkies's method

$$\frac{N(x)}{D(x)} = \wp^* \circ \wp^{-1}(x) = x + \sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{h_i}{x^i}$$

First: compute

$$h_k = \frac{3}{(k-2)(2k+3)} \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} h_i h_{k-1-i} - \frac{2k-3}{2k+3} A h_{k-2} - \frac{2(k-3)}{2k+3} B h_{k-3}$$

for all $k \geq 3$ with $h_1 = (A - A^*)/5$ and $h_2 = (B - B^*)/7$.

$\Rightarrow O(\ell^2)$ operations in \mathbf{K} .

Second: get σ_i 's using:

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II. Classical theory and computations

Eisenstein series: $\delta_r(n) = \sum_{d|n} d^r$

$$E_2(q) = 1 - 24 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_1(n) q^n,$$

$$E_4(q) = 1 + 240 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_3(n) q^n,$$

$$E_6(q) = 1 - 504 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_5(n) q^n,$$

Fact: E_4 and E_6 are modular forms of weight 4 and 6 respectively, E_2 is almost modular.

$$\Delta(q) = \frac{E_4^3 - E_6^2}{1718} = q \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - q^n)^{24} = \eta(q)^{24}$$

$$j(q) = \frac{E_4^3}{\Delta} = \frac{1}{q} + 744 + \sum_{n \geq 1} c_n q^n, c_n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Identities involving Eisenstein's series

When $F(q) = \sum_{n \geq n_0} a_n q^n$, we introduce the operator

$$F'(q) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \frac{dF}{d\tau} = q \frac{dF}{dq} = \sum_{n \geq n_0} n a_n q^n.$$

$$\Delta = \frac{E_4^3 - E_6^2}{1728}, \quad \frac{\Delta'}{\Delta} = E_2, \quad j = \frac{E_4^3}{\Delta}, \quad j - 1728 = \frac{E_6^2}{\Delta}, \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{j'}{j} = -\frac{E_6}{E_4}, \quad \frac{j'}{j - 1728} = -\frac{E_4^2}{E_6}, \quad j' = -\frac{E_4^2 E_6}{\Delta}, \quad (2)$$

$$3E_4' = E_2 E_4 - E_6, \quad 2E_6' = E_2 E_6 - E_4^2, \quad 12E_2' = E_2^2 - E_4. \quad (3)$$

(The last line is due to Ramanujan.)

A) Lattices, etc.

Def. $\mathcal{L} = \mathbb{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbb{Z}\omega_2$ and $\mathcal{L}' = \mathbb{Z}\omega'_1 + \mathbb{Z}\omega'_2$ are **isomorphic** iff there exists P in $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ s.t.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega'_1 \\ \omega'_2 \end{pmatrix} = P \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thm. \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{L}' are isomorphic iff $j(\mathcal{L}) = j(\mathcal{L}')$.

Def. \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{M} are **isogenous** iff $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{C}, \alpha\mathcal{L} \subset \mathcal{M}$.

Most interesting case: \mathcal{M} is a sublattice of \mathcal{L} s.t. \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{M} is cyclic of finite index. In other words:

$$\mathcal{M} = (a\omega_1 + b\omega_2)\mathbb{Z} + (c\omega_1 + d\omega_2)\mathbb{Z}$$

and $ad - bc = m$ with $\gcd(a, b, c, d) = 1$.

Fundamental theorem (modular polynomial):

Thm. $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $\alpha \mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{L}$ iff $\exists m$ s.t. $\Phi_m(j(\mathcal{M}), j(\mathcal{L})) = 0$ s.t. with $\tau = \omega_2/\omega_1$ (imag. part > 0), $q = \exp(2i\pi\tau)$:

$$\Phi_m(X, \tau) = \prod_{A \in \mathcal{S}_m} (X - j(A\tau)) = \sum_{k=0}^{\mu_0(m)} C_k(\tau) X^k,$$

$$\mathcal{S}_m = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}, ad = m, \gcd(a, b, d) = 1, a > 0, d > b \geq 0 \right\}$$

of cardinality $\mu_0(m) = m \prod_{p|m} (1 + 1/p)$.

When $m = \ell$ is prime:

$$\mathcal{S}_\ell = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & \ell \end{pmatrix}, 0 \leq b < \ell \right\} \cup \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \ell & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

of cardinality $\ell + 1$.

Modular polynomials

Thm.

- ▶ $\Phi_m(X, Y) \in \mathbb{Z}[X, Y]$;
- ▶ $\Phi_m(Y, X) = \Phi_m(X, Y)$;
- ▶ if m is squarefree, then the coefficient of highest degree of $\Phi_m(X, X)$ is ± 1 .

Prop. (“Cyclotomic” properties)

(a) If $(m_1, m_2) = 1$, then

$$\Phi_{m_1 m_2}(X, J) = \text{Resultant}_Z(\Phi_{m_1}(X, Z), \Phi_{m_2}(Z, J)).$$

(b) If $m = \ell^e$ with $e > 1$, then

$$\Phi_{\ell^e}(X, J) = \text{Resultant}_Z(\Phi_{\ell}(X, Z), \Phi_{\ell^{e-1}}(Z, J)) / \Phi_{\ell^{e-2}}(Z, J)^{\ell}.$$

Thm. (Kronecker) If ℓ is prime, then

$$\Phi_{\ell}(X, Y) \equiv (X^{\ell} - Y)(Y^{\ell} - X) \pmod{\ell}.$$

Height

Thm. (P. Cohen)

$$H(\Phi_m) = 6\mu_0(m)(\log m - 2\sum_{p|m}(\log p)/p + O(1)).$$

ℓ	101	211	503	1009	2003
$H(\Phi_\ell)$	3985	9256	24736	53820	115125
PCohen	2768	6743	18736	41832	91320

Thm. (Bröker & Sutherland)

$$H(\Phi_\ell) \leq 6\ell \log \ell + 16\ell + 14\sqrt{\ell} \log \ell.$$

$\Rightarrow \Phi_\ell$ has $O(\ell^2)$ coefficients of size $\ell \log \ell$, or a $\tilde{O}(\ell^3)$ -bit object.

Ex.

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_2(X, Y) &= X^3 + X^2(-Y^2 + 1488Y - 162000) \\ &\quad + X(1488Y^2 + 40773375Y + 8748000000) \\ &\quad + Y^3 - 162000Y^2 + 8748000000Y - 15746400000000.\end{aligned}$$

B) Computing modular polynomials over $\mathbb{Z}[X]$

Remember that

$$j(q) = \frac{1}{q} + 744 + \sum_{n \geq 1} c_n q^n, \quad c_n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

Then $\Phi_\ell(X, Y)$ is such that $\Phi_\ell(j(q), j(q^\ell))$ vanishes identically.

Naive method: indeterminate coefficients (over \mathbb{Q} or small p 's); at least $\tilde{O}((\ell^2)^\omega)$ operations over \mathbb{Q} .

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a) Series computations

Enneper (1890) use q -expansion of j and $j(q^\ell)$ with $O(\ell^2)$ terms; Atkin used this modulo FFT-friendly primes + CRT (embarassingly parallel). $\tilde{O}(\ell^3 M(p))$

1. Compute power sums for $1 \leq r \leq \ell$:

$$S_r(q) = j(\ell\tau)^r + \sum_{k=0}^{\ell-1} j\left(\frac{\tau+k}{\ell}\right)^r = S_{r,0}(q) + S_{r,1}(w)$$

with $w = q^{1/\ell}$; $S_{r,1}$ *a priori* in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_\ell)$, but in fact over \mathbb{Q} , hence $S_{r,1}(w) = S_{r,1}(q)$;

2. a) Go back to $\Phi(X, J)$ using Newton formulas.

b) recognize $C_r(q) = C_r(J)$.

Numerical example

$$\ell = 3, p = 101: j = q^{-1} + 37 + 35q + 51q^2 + 45q^3 + 34q^4 + O(q^5).$$

Over $\mathbb{F}_p[\zeta] = \mathbb{F}_p[X]/(X^2 + X + 1)$:

$$j_0 = \frac{1}{w} + 37 + 35w + 51w^2 + 45w^3 + 34w^4 + 55w^5 + w^6 + 78w^7 + 77w^8 + 28w^9$$

$$j_1 = (100\zeta + 100) \frac{1}{w} + 37 + 35\zeta w + (50\zeta + 50)w^2 + 45w^3 + 34\zeta w^4 + (46\zeta +$$

$$j_2 = \zeta \frac{1}{w} + 37 + (66\zeta + 66)w + 51\zeta w^2 + 45w^3 + (67\zeta + 67)w^4 + 55\zeta w^5 + w^6 -$$

r	$S_{r,1}$
1	$10 + 34w^3 + 3w^6 + 84w^9 + O(w^{10}),$
2	$75 + 98w^3 + 35w^6 + O(w^9),$
3	$3w^{-3} + 89 + 3w^3 + w^6 + O(w^8),$
4	$40w^{-3} + 2 + w^3 + 13w^6 + O(w^7).$

Numerical example (cont'd)

$$S_1 = S_{0,1} + S_{1,1} = q^{-3} + 47 + 34q + 3q^2 + 18q^3 + 51q^6 + 45q^9 + O(q^{12}),$$

$$S_2 = S_{0,2} + S_{1,2} = q^{-6} + 74q^{-3} + 100 + 98q + 35q^2 + 47q^3 + 58q^4 + 39q^6 + O(q^9)$$

$$S_3 = S_{0,3} + S_{1,3} = q^{-9} + 10q^{-6} + 71q^{-3} + 3q^{-1} + 85 + 3q + q^2 + 29q^3 + O(q^6)$$

$$S_4 = S_{0,4} + S_{1,4} = q^{-12} + 47q^{-9} + 72q^{-6} + 95q^{-3} + 40q^{-1} + 70 + q + 13q^2 + O(q^5)$$

Newton's formulas give:

$$c_0 = q^{-4} + 57q^{-3} + 37q^{-2} + 58q^{-1} + 92 + 7q + 82q^2 + O(q^3),$$

$$c_1 = 38q^{-3} + 12q^{-2} + 65q^{-1} + 44 + 44q + 68q^2 + 93q^3 + 57q^4 + 29q^5 + O(q^6)$$

$$c_2 = 10q^{-3} + 34q^{-2} + 3q^{-1} + 12 + 75q + 45q^2 + 16q^3 + 40q^4 + 34q^5 + 31q^6 + O(q^7)$$

$$c_3 = 100q^{-3} + 54 + 67q + 98q^2 + 83q^3 + 60q^4 + 50q^6 + 56q^9 + O(q^{12}).$$

Example (cont'd)

$$\Phi_3(X, Y) = X^4 + C_3(Y)X^3 + C_2(Y)X^2 + C_1(Y)X + C_0(X), \quad \deg(C_i) \leq 3$$

$$c_0 = q^{-4} + 57q^{-3} + 37q^{-2} + 58q^{-1} + 92 + 7q + 82q^2 + O(q^3),$$

$$C_0 = J^4 + 10J^3 + 67J^2 + 52J,$$

$$c_1 = 100q^{-3} + 54 + 67q + 98q^2 + 83q^3 + 60q^4 + 50q^6 + 56q^9 + O(q^{12}),$$

$$C_1 = 38J^3 + 36J^2 + 56J + 52;$$

$$c_2 = 10q^{-3} + 34q^{-2} + 3q^{-1} + 12 + 75q + 45q^2 + 16q^3 + 40q^4 + 34q^5 + 31q^6 +$$

$$C_2 = 10J^3 + 35J^2 + 36J + 67,$$

$$C_3 = 100J^3 + 10J^2 + 38J + 10.$$

b) Evaluation/interpolation (Enge; Dupont)

$$\Phi_\ell(X, J) = X^{\ell+1} + \sum_{u=0}^{\ell} C_u(J)X^u, \quad C_u(J) \in \mathbb{Z}[J], \deg(C_u(J)) \leq \ell + 1.$$

All computations are done using precision $H = O(\ell \log \ell)$.

Function COMPUTEPHI($\ell, j, (j_r), \deg_X$):

Input : ℓ an odd prime; f a function, j_r conjugates

Output: $\Phi_\ell(X, J)$ with degree \deg_X in X

for $\deg_X + 1$ values of z_i **do**

 compute $j_r(z_i)$ to precision H and build

$\prod_{r=1}^{\ell+1} (X - j_r(z_i)) = X^{\ell+1} + \sum_{u=0}^{\ell} C_u(j(z_i))X^u$;

$O(M(\ell) \log \ell)$ ops

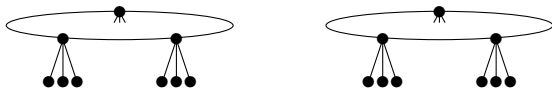
for $u \leftarrow 0$ **to** ℓ **do**

 interpolate C_u from $(j(z_i), C_u(j(z_i)))$ for $1 \leq i \leq \deg_X + 1$

return $\Phi_\ell(X, J)$

All 1.2 + 2 has cost $O(\ell M(\ell)(\log \ell)M(H)) = \tilde{O}(\ell^3)$.

C) Isogeny volcanoes



Bröker, Lauter, Sutherland (2010): Under the Generalized Riemann Hypothesis (GRH), expected running time of $O(\ell^3 (\log \ell)^3 \log \log \ell)$, and compute $\Phi_\ell(X, j(E)) \bmod p$ using $O(\ell^2 (\log \ell)^2 + \ell^2 \log p)$ space.

- ▶ Need class polynomials $H_D(X)$ (sometimes $H_{\ell^2 D}(X)$).
- ▶ Interpolate the values of all quantities modulo p .
- ▶ Extensible to other functions, partial differentials.
- ▶ Works also in Sutherland's algo for direct evaluation over \mathbf{K} using explicit CRT.

D) Elkies's approach to the isogeny problem

Tate curve:

$$Y^2 = X^3 - \frac{E_4(q)}{48}X + \frac{E_6(q)}{864}$$

is ℓ -isogenous to

$$Y^2 = X^3 - \frac{E_4(q^\ell)}{48}X + \frac{E_6(q^\ell)}{864}$$

$\sigma_r =$ power sums of the roots of the kernel polynomial:

$$\sigma_1(q) = \frac{\ell}{2}(\ell E_2(q^\ell) - E_2(q)).$$

Use series identities to get formulas for $E_4(q^\ell)$ and $E_6(q^\ell)$,
 $\sigma_1(q)$ from known values.

Also:

$$A - A^* = 5(6\sigma_2 + 2A\sigma_0), \quad B - B^* = 7(10\sigma_3 + 6A\sigma_1 + 4B\sigma_0),$$

+ induction relation for σ_k with $k > 3$.

Consequence: A^* and B^* belong to $\mathbb{Q}[\sigma_1, A, B]$.

Formulas for the kernel of the isogeny

Points in the kernel:

$$x(\zeta; q) = \frac{1}{12} - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{(1-q^n)^2} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\zeta q^n}{(1-\zeta q^n)^2};$$

$$y(\zeta; q) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\zeta q^n (1 + \zeta q^n)}{(1 - \zeta q^n)^3}$$

satisfy

$$y^2 = x^3 - \frac{E_4(q)}{48}x + \frac{E_6(q)}{864}.$$

$$\sigma_1 = \sum_{\zeta \in \mu_\ell, \zeta \neq 1} x(\zeta; q) = \frac{\ell}{12} (E_2(q) - \ell E_2(q^\ell)).$$

The case of $\Phi_\ell(X, Y)$

Thm. (Schoof95)

With $\tilde{j} = j(q^\ell)$:

1) $\Phi_\ell(j, \tilde{j}) = 0$.

2) $j' \partial_X + \ell \tilde{j}' \partial_Y = 0$ yields \tilde{j}' .

3)

$$\frac{j''}{j'} - \ell \frac{\tilde{j}''}{\tilde{j}'} = - \frac{j'^2 \partial_{XX} + \dots}{j' \partial_X}.$$

All these yield algebraic expressions for $E_4(q^\ell)$, $E_6(q^\ell)$, σ_1 , involving all these derivatives.

Cost: $O(\ell^2)$ operations in \mathbf{K} .

Finding smaller equations and their formulas

- ▶ Traditional approach: $\Phi_\ell(X, Y)$. Formulas given by Schoof.
- ▶ Elkies 1992: *ad hoc* modular equations + formulas for each ℓ ; cumbersome.
- ▶ Atkin: canonical with η -products, laundry method (conjecturally smallest); magical formulas using differentials of order 1 and 2.
- ▶ Müller (Enge): Hecke operators + somewhat *ad hoc* tables. Same Atkin formulas.
- ▶ Smallest models for $X_0(\ell)$ in two variables, not related to j ; formulas?

Alternative: Charlap-Coley-Robbins (1991).

Enge

ℓ	r	H	$\deg(J)$	eval(s)	interp(s)	tot (d)	Mb gz
3011	5	7560	200				368
3079	97	9018	254	7790	640	23	547
3527	13	9894	268	799	1440	3	746
3517	97	10746	290	12400	1110	42	850
4003	13	11408	308	1130	2320	4	1127
5009	5	13349	334	880	3110	3	1819
6029	5	16418	402	1550	6370	7	3251
7001	5	19473	466	2440	11700	13	5182
8009	5	22515	534	3500	20000	22	7905
9029	5	25507	602	5030	33100	35	11460
10079	5	28825	672	7690	56300	61	16152

III. Charlap-Coley-Robbins

Ref.: arxiv.org/abs/2303.00346,
arxiv.org/abs/2302.05217 + Magma files on my
webpage.

A) Theory

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The working loop

Function $UseCCR(E, \ell)$:

Input : $E/\mathbb{F}_q = [A, B]$ an elliptic curve, ℓ an odd prime

Output: (σ, A^*, B^*) parameters of a curve E^* that is
 ℓ -isogenous to E

1. $\mathcal{L}_U \leftarrow$ roots of $U_\ell(X, A, B)$ over \mathbb{F}_q

2. **if** $\mathcal{L}_U \neq \emptyset$ **then**

 2.0. Let σ be an element of \mathcal{L}_U

 2.1. $\mathcal{L}_V \leftarrow$ roots of $V_\ell(X, A, B)$ over \mathbb{F}_q

 2.2. $\mathcal{L}_W \leftarrow$ roots of $W_\ell(X, A, B)$ over \mathbb{F}_q

for $v \in \mathcal{L}_V$ **do**

for $w \in \mathcal{L}_W$ **do**

if (σ, v, w) is an ℓ -isogeny **then**

return (σ, v, w) .

Cost: 3 polynomial exponentiations + ≤ 4 isogeny tests.

B) Computing CCR polynomials

Prop. [[multiplier](#)] The function $\mathcal{F}_n = E_2(\tau) - nE_2(n\tau)$ is a modular form of weight 2 and trivial multiplier system for $\Gamma_0(n)$.

Prop. The roots of $U_\ell(X, A(q), B(q))$ are $-\ell\mathcal{F}_\ell(q)/2$ and $\mathcal{F}_\ell(w\zeta_\ell^k)/2$ for $0 \leq k < \ell$, where $w^\ell = q$ and ζ_ℓ is a root of unity.

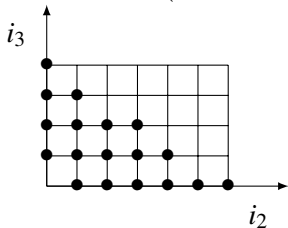
Prop. The height of U_ℓ is approximately $2(\ell + 1)\log \ell$.

Setting

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_\ell(X, Y, Z) &= X^{\ell+1} + \sum_{i_1+2i_2+3i_3=\ell+1} u_{i_1, i_2, i_3} X^{i_1} Y^{i_2} Z^{i_3}, \\
 &= X^{\ell+1} + \sum_{r=0}^{\ell} X^r \underbrace{\sum_{2i_2+3i_3=\ell+1-r} u_{r, i_2, i_3} Y^{i_2} Z^{i_3}}_{c_r(Y, Z)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Rem. $\#\{i_2, i_3\} = O(\ell - r)$.

Grid for U is $((\ell + 1)/2, \lfloor \frac{\ell+1}{3} \rfloor)$.



\Rightarrow precompute the whole grid with the $A^{i_2} \cdot B^{i_3}$ (+FFT sharing).

Using series again

$$\sigma_1(q) = -\frac{\ell \mathcal{F}_\ell(q)}{2} = \frac{\ell(\ell-1)}{2} + 12\ell \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma'_1(n)q^n$$

where $\sigma'_1(n)$ is the sum of the divisors of n prime to ℓ .

$$\sigma_r(q) = \sum_{2i_2+3i_3=r} u_{r,i_2,i_3} A(q)^{i_2} B(q)^{i_3}.$$

→ linear system \mathcal{S}_r (independent of ℓ) which is $O(r) \times O(r)$.

It can be solved with $O(r^\omega)$ operations over \mathbb{Z} ,

for a total of $O(\sum_r r^\omega) = O(\ell^{\omega+1}) = O(\ell^4)$ generally.

Rem. all these systems may be solved in parallel.

Other algorithms

Evaluation/interpolation: all work for power sums.

Isogeny volcanoes: same.

Purely algebraic approaches

Triangular sets: Schost *et al.*; change of order algorithm.

Noro/Yasuda/Yokoyama (2020):

In particular (representation à la Hecke; aka RUR form):

$$A^* = \frac{N_{\ell,A}(X,A,B)}{U'_\ell(X)}, \quad B^* = \frac{N_{\ell,B}(X,A,B)}{U'_\ell(X)}$$

(Only here: $U'_\ell(X) = \frac{\partial U_\ell}{\partial X}$.)

$N_{\ell,A}$ (resp. $N_{\ell,B}$) are polynomials with integer coefficients and of generalized weight $2\ell + 4$ (resp. $2\ell + 6$). Computations by any evaluation/interpolation method.

Ex. (with a sign flip)

$$\begin{aligned} N_{5,A} = & 630AX^5 - 9360BX^4 - 8240A^2X^3 + 24480BAX^2 \\ & + (1120A^3 - 28800B^2)X - 3200BA^2. \end{aligned}$$

NoYaYo: algorithms

authors Use Gröbner basis: heavy, stopping at $\ell = 89$.

- M. We know the expansions of A^* , A , B and U'_ℓ , we really solve

$$U'_\ell(q) \cdot A^*(q) = N_{\ell,A}(\sigma_1(q), A(q), B(q))$$

the way we want (series, floating points, isogeny volcanoes); much less costly, $\ell = 181$ in a couple of hours in Magma.

C) Finding the isogenous curve

Atkin:

We also discuss here the alternative modular equation suggested by (CCR). They use an equation of degree $(q+1)$ in E_2^* , whose coefficients are forms of appropriate weights expressible in terms of E_4 and E_6 (or, by applying W_q , in terms of E_4q and E_6q). In the equivalent of cases 1 and 3 above, they find a value of E_2^* in $GF(p)$. The procedure with which they then continue is however intolerably long, and a better continuation is as follows.

Differentiate their equation twice at the cusp infinity (i.e. with E_2^*, E_4, E_6); the first time we get E_4q , and the second E_6q .

Homogeneous properties of U

Notation:

$$\partial_\sigma = \frac{\partial U}{\partial \sigma}, \partial_4 = \frac{\partial U}{\partial E_4}, \partial_6 = \frac{\partial U}{\partial E_6}, \text{etc..}$$

U is homogeneous with weights, so that (generalized Euler theorem)

$$(\ell + 1)U = \sigma \partial_\sigma + 2E_4 \partial_4 + 3E_6 \partial_6. \quad (4)$$

Note that partial derivatives are also homogeneous:

$$\ell \partial_\sigma = \sigma \partial_{\sigma\sigma} + 2E_4 \partial_{\sigma 4} + 3E_6 \partial_{\sigma 6}, \quad (5)$$

$$(\ell - 1) \partial_4 = \sigma \partial_{\sigma 4} + 2E_4 \partial_{44} + 3E_6 \partial_{46}, \quad (6)$$

$$(\ell - 2) \partial_6 = \sigma \partial_{\sigma 6} + 2E_4 \partial_{46} + 3E_6 \partial_{66}. \quad (7)$$

Getting the isogenous curve (1/4)

Differentiate $U(\sigma, E_4, E_6) = 0$ to get

$$\sigma' \partial_\sigma + E_4' \partial_4 + E_6' \partial_6 = 0, \quad (8)$$

$\sigma = \frac{\ell}{2} (\ell \tilde{E}_2 - E_2)$ leading to

$$\sigma' = \frac{\ell}{2} (\ell^2 \tilde{E}_2' - E_2') = \frac{\ell}{24} (\ell^2 (\tilde{E}_2^2 - \tilde{E}_4) - (E_2^2 - E_4)).$$

Replace $\ell \tilde{E}_2$ by $2\sigma/\ell + E_2$ to get

$$\sigma' = \frac{\ell}{24} \left(\frac{4\sigma^2}{\ell^2} + \frac{4\sigma}{\ell} E_2 - (\ell^2 \tilde{E}_4 - E_4) \right),$$

that we plug in (8) together with the expressions for E_4' and E_6' from equation (3) to get a polynomial of degree 1 in E_2 whose coefficient of E_2 is

$$\sigma \partial_\sigma + 2E_4 \partial_4 + 3E_6 \partial_6,$$

which we recognize in (4).

Getting the isogenous curve (2/4)

$$(\ell+1)UE_2 + \frac{\ell}{4} (4\sigma^2/\ell^2 - (\ell^2\tilde{E}_4 - E_4)) \partial_\sigma - 2E_6\partial_6 - 3E_4^2\partial_4 = 0 \quad (9)$$

from which we deduce \tilde{E}_4 since $U(\sigma, E_4, E_6) = 0$.

Finding \tilde{E}_6 : we differentiate (8)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sigma'' \partial_\sigma + \sigma' (\sigma' \partial_{\sigma\sigma} + E_4' \partial_{\sigma 4} + E_6' \partial_{\sigma 6}) \\ & + E_4'' \partial_4 + E_4' (\sigma' \partial_{4\sigma} + E_4' \partial_{44} + E_6' \partial_{46}) \\ & + E_6'' \partial_6 + E_6' (\sigma' \partial_{6\sigma} + E_4' \partial_{64} + E_6' \partial_{66}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

We compute in sequence

$$12E_2'' = 2E_2E_2' - E_4' = E_2 (E_2^2 - E_4)/6 - (E_2E_4 - E_6)/3,$$

$$12\tilde{E}_2'' = 2\tilde{E}_2\tilde{E}_2' - \tilde{E}_4' = \tilde{E}_2 (\tilde{E}_2^2 - \tilde{E}_4)/6 - (\tilde{E}_2\tilde{E}_4 - \tilde{E}_6)/3,$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma'' = \frac{\ell}{2} (\ell^3 \tilde{E}_2'' - E_2'')$$

Getting the isogenous curve (3/4)

Differentiate Ramanujan's relations:

$$E_4'' = \frac{1}{3} (E_2' E_4 + E_2 E_4' - E_6'), \quad E_6'' = \frac{1}{2} (E_2' E_6 + E_2 E_6' - 2E_4 E_4'),$$

Finally yields an expression as polynomial in E_2 :

$$C_2 E_2^2 + C_1 E_2 + C_0 = 0.$$

The unknown \tilde{E}_6 is to be found in C_0 only.

Prop. (By luck ?) The coefficients C_1 and C_2 vanish for a triplet such that $U_\ell(\sigma, E_4, E_6) = 0$.

Sketch of the proof: Replace $\partial_{\sigma\sigma}$, ∂_{44} and ∂_{66} by their values from (5). Factoring the resulting expressions yields the same factor $\sigma\partial_\sigma + 2E_4\partial_4 + 3E_6\partial_6$, which cancels C_1 and C_2 . \square

Getting the isogenous curve (4/4)

We are left with

$$\tilde{E}_6 = -\frac{N}{\ell^6 \partial_\sigma^3}$$

where N is a polynomial in degree 3 in ℓ

$$N = -E_6 \partial_\sigma^3 \ell^3 + c_2 \ell^2 + 12 \partial_\sigma^2 \sigma (3E_4^2 \partial_6 + 2E_6 \partial_4) \ell - \partial_\sigma^3 \sigma^3.$$

The coefficient c_2 has an ugly expression (that may be simplified??).

The case $\ell \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$

Atkin (cont'd):

The number and size of the terms in their modular equation are also larger than those in mine, especially when $q \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$. In that case, the cuspform $\eta^2(\tau) \eta^2(q\tau)$ could be used instead of E_2 to form the modular equation. This both saves on size and number of coefficients, and has convenient derivatives; the reader can by now easily work out the precise algorithm.

Properties

In this case, Atkin suggests to replace σ with $f(q) = \eta(q)^2 \eta(q^\ell)^2$ another modular form of weight 2.

Ex.

$$\begin{aligned} CCRA_{11}(X) = & X^{12} - 990\Delta X^6 + 440\Delta E_4 X^4 - 165\Delta E_6 X^3 \\ & + 22\Delta E_4^2 X^2 - \Delta E_4 E_6 X - 11\Delta^2, \end{aligned}$$

which is sparser $U_{11}(X)$.

CCRA is homogeneous:

$$(\ell + 1)CCRA_\ell = f\partial_f + 2E_4\partial_4 + 3E_6\partial_6. \quad (10)$$

We have $f^{12} = \Delta(z)\Delta(\ell z)$ and therefore we deduce the discriminant $\tilde{\Delta} = f^{12}/\Delta$, yielding a relation for \tilde{E}_4 and \tilde{E}_6 .

Computing σ

Write

$$\frac{f'}{f} = 2 \frac{\eta'}{\eta} + 2\ell \frac{\tilde{\eta}'}{\tilde{\eta}} = \frac{1}{12}(\ell \tilde{E}_2 + E_2),$$

from which we deduce f' .

Starting from $f' \partial_f + E_4' \partial_4 + E_6' \partial_6 = 0$, and replacing by the known values, we find

$$(f \partial_f + 4E_4 \partial_4 + 6E_6 \partial_6) E_2 + f \ell \tilde{E}_2 \partial_f - 6E_4^2 \partial_6 - 4E_6 \partial_4 = 0,$$

which is

$$f \ell \partial_f (\ell \tilde{E}_2 - E_2) - 6E_4^2 \partial_6 - 4E_6 \partial_4 = 0,$$

which gives us

$$\sigma = \frac{\ell (3 \partial_6 E_4^2 + 2 \partial_4 E_6)}{f \partial_f}.$$

Computing \tilde{E}_4

We differentiate f' to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} f'' &= \frac{1}{12} (f'(\ell\tilde{E}_2 + E_2) + f(\ell^2\tilde{E}_2' + E_2')) \\ &= \frac{f}{12^2} ((\ell\tilde{E}_2 + E_2)^2 + \ell^2(\tilde{E}_2^2 - \tilde{E}_4) + (E_2^2 - E_4)). \end{aligned}$$

We inject this together with $\tilde{E}_2 = (E_2 + 2\sigma/\ell)/\ell$ into

$$\begin{aligned} &f'' \partial_f + f' (f' \partial_{ff} + E_4' \partial_{f4} + E_6' \partial_{f6}) \\ &+ E_4'' \partial_4 + E_4' (f' \partial_{4f} + E_4' \partial_{44} + E_6' \partial_{46}) \\ &+ E_6'' \partial_6 + E_6' (f' \partial_{6f} + E_4' \partial_{64} + E_6' \partial_{66}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

This yields a polynomial of degree 2 in E_2 whose coefficients of degree 2 and 1 turn out to vanish. We are left with

$$\tilde{E}_4 = -\frac{M}{\ell^2 f^2 E_4 E_6 \partial_f^3}$$

with a bulky expression for M .

Computing \tilde{E}_6

Prop. (applying Atkin-Lehner involution)

$$U_\ell(-\ell\sigma, A^*, B^*) = 0, \quad V_\ell(\ell^4 A, A^*, B^*) = 0, \quad W_\ell(\ell^6 B, A^*, B^*) = 0,$$

with $A^* = \ell^4 \tilde{E}_4$, $B^* = \ell^6 \tilde{E}_6$.

Also:

$$\tilde{\Delta} = \frac{\tilde{E}_4^3 - \tilde{E}_6^2}{1728}$$

So that \tilde{E}_6 is a root of the gcd of the two polynomials.
In practice, there is one root. Otherwise, use a heavy further differential!!!

V. Conclusions

When is this useful?

- ▶ you don't like using Atkin's laundry hammer;
- ▶ (technical, rare) when some $\partial_X = 0$, the triplet (U, V, W) is useful;
- ▶ for small ℓ , either use sparse formulas $(U_\ell, N_{\ell,A}, D_{\ell,A})$ or only U_ℓ and the ugly formulas.

Working ugly formulas can be done using **multipliers** for Borweins' like modular polynomials as explained by R. Dupont. **But this is another story...!**