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Charles-Goren-Lauter hash function

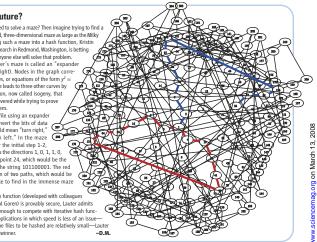
Hash of the Future?

Have you ever struggled to solve a maze? Then imagine trying to find a path through a tangled, three-dimensional maze as large as the Milky Way. By incorporating such a maze into a hash function. Kristin Lauter of Microsoft Research in Redmond, Washington, is betting that neither you nor anyone else will solve that problem.

Technically. Lauter's maze is called an "expander graph" (see figure, right). Nodes in the graph correspond to elliptic curves, or equations of the form $v^2 =$ $x^3 + ax + b$. Each curve leads to three other curves by a mathematical relation, now called isogeny, that Pierre de Fermat discovered while trying to prove his famous Last Theorem.

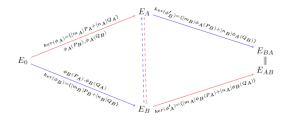
To hash a digital file using an expander graph, you would convert the bits of data into directions: 0 would mean "turn right." 1 would mean "turn left." In the maze illustrated here, after the initial step 1-2. the blue path encodes the directions 1. 0. 1. 1. 0. 0, 0, 0, 1, ending at point 24, which would be the digital signature of the string 101100001. The red loop shows a collision of two paths, which would be practically impossible to find in the immense maze envisioned by Lauter.

Although her hash function (developed with colleagues Denis Charles and Eyal Goren) is provably secure, Lauter admits that it is not yet fast enough to compete with iterative hash functions. However, for applications in which speed is less of an issuefor example, where the files to be hashed are relatively small-Lauter believes it might be a winner.





Key exchange of the future?



- De Feo Jao Plût key exchange: Alice and Bob use isogeny paths with two different primes l₁, l₂; these paths commute
- Also public key encryption, zero-knowledge protocol



Deuring's correspondence

▶ Bijection from supersingular elliptic curves over 𝔽_p (up to Galois conjugacy) to maximal orders in the quaternion algebra B_{p,∞} ramified at p and infinity (up to equivalence)

$$E \to \mathcal{O} = \operatorname{End}(E)$$

- An isogeny $\varphi : E_0 \to E_1$ is sent to the left \mathcal{O} -ideal $I = \operatorname{Hom}(E_1, E_0)\varphi$
- ► A path between two curves in the supersingular ℓ-isogeny graph is sent to an ideal of ℓ-power norm



Strategy to break CGL hash

- Translate collision and preimage resistance properties in the quaternion world
- Break collision and preimage resistance properties in the quaternion world
- Translate the attacks (as much as possible) back to the elliptic curve world



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Endomorphism ring of elliptic curves

• Endomorphism of E: group homomorphism defined by a rational map $E \rightarrow E$

$$(x,y) \rightarrow \left(\frac{p_X(x,y)}{q_X(x,y)}, \frac{p_Y(x,y)}{q_Y(x,y)}\right)$$

- Form a ring for point addition and map composition
 - Include scalar multiplications $[k] : (x, y) \rightarrow [k](x, y)$
 - Over \mathbb{F}_q , include Frobenius $\pi: (x, y) \to (x^q, y^q)$
 - Include linear combinations of both $[a + b\pi]$



Supersingular elliptic curves

- ► A curve / j-invariant over F
 _p is supersingular if its trace is 0 mod p
- ► Roughly p/12 supersingular j-invariants in F
 p, all of them defined over F{p²}
- Endomomorphism ring of a supersingular curve
 - Contains some extra element ϕ such that $\phi \pi \neq \pi \phi$
 - Contains linear combinations $[a + b\pi + c\phi + d\pi\phi]$
 - ▶ Is a maximal order in the quaternion algebra $B_{p,\infty}$



The quaternion algebra $B_{p,\infty}$

- Quaternion algebra over ${\mathbb Q}$ ramified at p and ∞
- $B_{p,\infty} = \mathbb{Q}\langle i,j \rangle$ with $i^2 = -q$, $j^2 = -p$, k = ij = -ji for some q coprime to p
- Canonical involution, reduced trace, reduced norm and associated bilinear form are

$$\alpha = a + bi + cj + dk \rightarrow \bar{\alpha} = a - bi - cj - dk$$

$$\operatorname{Trd}(\alpha) = \alpha + \bar{\alpha} = 2a$$

$$\operatorname{Nrd}(\alpha) = \alpha \bar{\alpha} = a^2 + qb^2 + pc^2 + pqd^2$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \operatorname{Nrd}(x + y) - \operatorname{Nrd}(x) - \operatorname{Nrd}(y)$$

• Under GRH we can choose $q = O(\log^2 p)$



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- The left order of an ideal / is defined as

$$\mathcal{O}_{\ell}(I) = \{h \in B_{p,\infty} | hI \subset I\}$$

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Right orders and right ideals are defined similarly





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- We say two orders O₁ and O₂ are in the same class if qO₁q⁻¹ = O₂ for some q ∈ B^{*}_{p,∞}
- We say two left O-ideals I₁ and I₂ are in the same class and write I₁ ≈ I₂ if I₁ = I₂q for some q ∈ B^{*}_{p,∞}



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 Norm forms are quadratic equations with large coefficients in general



Maximal and extremal orders

- ► An order O is maximal if there is no other order in B_{p,∞} that contains O
- We say a maximal order O of B_{p,∞} is p-extremal if it contains π (= j as above) such that π² = −p
- Extremal orders correspond to elliptic curves defined over \mathbb{F}_p , with Frobenius endomorphism π



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- Special norm form will be crucial in our algorithms



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- $\blacktriangleright \ \deg \varphi := \# \ker \varphi$
- Dual isogeny $\bar{\varphi}$ is the unique isogeny such that $\varphi\bar{\varphi} = [\deg\varphi]$



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- ($\ell + 1$)-regular undirected graph
- No multiple edges if $p = 1 \mod 12$



Hash function

$$H: \{0,1\}^* \to \{0,1\}^n$$

- ► Collision resistance: hard to find m, m' such that H(m) = H(m')
- Preimage resistance: given h, hard to find m such that H(m) = h
- ► Second preimage resistance: given m, hard to find m' such that H(m') = h



CGL hash function

 $H: \{1, \ldots, \ell\}^* \to \{\text{supersingular } j \text{-invariants over } \mathbb{F}_{p^2}\}$

- Let p, ℓ be prime numbers, $\ell \neq p$, $p = 1 \mod 12$
- For every j, define its neighbour set N_j
- ► For two neighbours j_{i-1} , j_i and for $m_{i+1} \in \{1, ..., \ell\}$, define a rule $\sigma(j_{i-1}, j_i, m_{i+1}) = j_{i+1} \in N_{j_i} \setminus \{j_{i-1}\}$
- Let j₀ ∈ 𝔽_{p²} be a supersingular j-invariant, and let j₋₁ be one of its neighbours
- To hash a message, start from j₋₁, j₀, compute j_{i+1} with σ recursively, return last j-invariant

The $\ell\text{-isogeny}$ path problem

Preimage problem for CGL hash function:
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Quaternion version:

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- ► Finding an ideal *I* connecting O₀ and O₁ is easy; the norm condition makes the problem harder



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Lemma:

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▶ The quaternion ℓ -isogeny problem reduces to: Finding $\beta \in I$ with $Nrd(\beta) = N\ell^e$ for some $e \in \mathbb{N}$



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 (This part can be seen as an explicit version of the strong approximation theorem for B_{p,∞})



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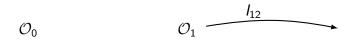


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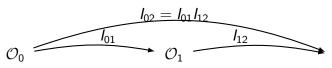
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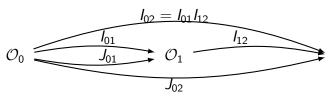
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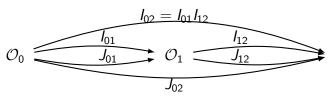
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- ► Choose x₂, y₂ randomly until f(x₁, y₁) = M pf(x₂, y₂) can be solved with Cornaccia's algorithm
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- Deduce a collision path $(j_0, j_1, \dots, j_e = j_0)$



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- "Trapdoor one-way function" based on hardness of computing the endomorphism ring of a random supersingular elliptic curve (except that using the trapdoor will reveal it)



Impact of attacks

- CGL explicitely prevented small cycles to occur, but existence of large cycles cannot be avoided
- ► To the best of our knowledge, the only way to generate a random *j* is to start from *j*₀ and do a random walk as above



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Thanks!

Looking forward to your questions / comments!

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