Problème du logarithme discret sur courbes elliptiques

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Elliptic curve DLP

Good candidates for DLP-based cryptosystems: elliptic curves defined over finite fields



ECDLP: Given $P \in E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and $Q \in \langle P \rangle$ find x such that Q = [x]P

- On 𝔽_p (p prime): in general, no known attack better than generic algorithms
 → good security
- On 𝔽_{pⁿ} (for faster hardware arithmetic): possible to apply *index calculus* → security reduction in some cases

Section 1

The index calculus method

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Introduction to index calculus

Originally developed for the factorization of large integers, improving on the square congruence method of Fermat.

Index calculus based Number/Function Field Sieve hold records for both integer factorization and finite field DLP.

Idea

- Find group relations between a "small" number of generators (or *factor base* elements)
- With sufficiently many relations and linear algebra, deduce the group structure and the DL of elements

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- Solution Linear algebra: once k relations found $(k \ge N)$
 - construct the matrices $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_i & b_i \end{pmatrix}_{1 \le i \le k}$ and $M = \begin{pmatrix} c_{ij} \end{pmatrix}_{1 \le i \le k}$
 - ▶ find $v = (v_1, ..., v_k) \in \ker({}^tM)$ such that $vA \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mod r$
 - compute the solution of DLP: $x = -(\sum_{i} a_i v_i) / (\sum_{i} b_i v_i) \mod r$

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 $g^{2} = -2 = -1 \times 2$
 $g^{3} = 45 = 3^{2} \times 5$
 $g^{4} = 4 = 2^{2}$
 $g^{5} = 17$, not smooth

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An example: the prime field case

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 2\\3\\4\\13\\14\\15\\16\\21 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0\\0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0\\0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0\\1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2\\1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1\\1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0\\0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1\\1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X \mod 106 \Rightarrow X = \begin{pmatrix} 53\\55\\34\\41\\33 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\log(-1) = 53$$
 $\log(2) = 55$ $\log(3) = 34$ $\log(5) = 41$ $\log(7) = 33$

$$gh = 54 = 2 \times 3^3 = (g^{55})(g^{34})^3 = g^{51} \Rightarrow h = g^{50}$$

General remarks

- Relation search very specific to the group and can be the main obstacle
- ② On the other hand, linear algebra almost the same for all groups
- Salance to find between the two phases:
 - ▶ if #F small, few relations needed and fast linear algebra but small probability of decomposition ~→ many trials before finding a relation
 - ▶ if #*F* large, easy to find relations but many of them needed and slow linear algebra

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Main ideas:

- Keep the matrix sparse (Gauss)
- Use matrix-vector products: cost only proportional to the number of non-zero entries

Two principal algorithms: Lanczos and Wiedemann

Complexity in $O(n^2c)$ if n relations with c non-zero entries per relation

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Improving the linear algebra step

Remark

- Relation search always straightforward to distribute
- Not so true for the linear algebra

Often advantageous to compute many more relations than needed and use extra information to simplify the relation matrix

Two methods:

 Structured Gaussian elimination: Particularly well-suited when elements of the factor base have different frequencies (e.g on finite fields)

Large prime variations

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Also, remove columns/rows containing only zeroes.

- Ø Mark some new columns as dense
- ${f 0}$ Find rows with only one ± 1 coefficient in the non-dense part
 - Use this coefficient as a pivot to clear its column
 - Remove corresponding row and column
- Remove rows that have become too dense and go back to step 1

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Image: A matrix and a matrix

The hyperelliptic curve case

 $\mathcal{H}: y^2 + h_0(x)y = h_1(x), \quad h_0, h_1 \in \mathbb{F}_q[x], \text{ deg } h_0 \leq g, \text{ deg } h_1 = 2g + 1$ hyperelliptic curve of genus g with (unique) point at infinity $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{H}}$

hyperelliptic involution *ι*: (*x*_P, *y*_P) → (*x*_P, -*y*_P - *h*₀(*x*_P))
#*H*(𝔽_{*a*}) ≃ *q*



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Representations of elements of $Jac_{\mathcal{H}}$ Reduced representation

An element $[D] \in \mathsf{Jac}_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ has a unique reduced representation

 $D \sim (P_1) + \dots + (P_r) - r(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{H}}), \quad r \leq g, \ P_i \neq \iota(P_j) \text{ for } i \neq j$

Mumford representation

One-to-one correspondence between elements of $Jac_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and couples of polynomials $(u, v) \in \mathbb{F}_q[x]^2$ s.t.

- u monic, deg $u \leq g$
- deg $v < \deg u$
- *u* divides $v^2 + vh_0 h_1$
- Cantor's algorithm for addition law
- $\# \operatorname{Jac}_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbb{F}_q) \simeq q^g$

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Subexponential complexity in $L_{q^g}(1/2)$ when $q \to \infty$ and $g = \Omega(\log q)$

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The small genus case

Gaudry's algorithm for small genus curves

- Factor base: $\mathcal{F} = \{(u, v) \in \mathsf{Jac}_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbb{F}_q) : \deg u = 1\}$ of size $\simeq q$
- D = (u, v) decomposable $\Leftrightarrow u$ splits over \mathbb{F}_q
- Probability of decomposition $\simeq 1/g!$
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For fixed genus g, relation search in $\tilde{O}(q)$ vs linear algebra in $\tilde{O}(q^2)$

• resolution of the DLP in $\tilde{O}(q^2)$

 \Rightarrow better than generic attacks as soon as g > 4

possible improvement by rebalancing the two phases

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The hyperelliptic case

Double large prime variation

Gaudry - Thomé - Thériault - Diem

- Define new factor base $\mathcal{F}' \subset \mathcal{F}$ with $\#\mathcal{F}' = q^{\alpha}$ \mathcal{F}' : "small primes" $\mathcal{F} \setminus \mathcal{F}'$: "large primes" \rightsquigarrow linear algebra in $\tilde{O}(q^{2\alpha})$
- Keep relations involving at most two large primes, discard others
- After collecting $\simeq \# \mathcal{F}$ relations 2LP, possible to eliminate the large primes and obtain $\simeq \# \mathcal{F}'$ relations involving only small primes
- Asymptotically optimal choice α = 1 − 1/g
 → total complexity in Õ(q^{2-2/g})
 → better than generic attacks as soon as g >

 \rightsquigarrow better than generic attacks as soon as $g\geq 3$

• Practical best choice depends on actual cost of the 2 phases and computing power available

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Consequence

Jacobians of non-hyperelliptic curves usually weaker than those of hyperelliptic curves (especially true for g = 3).

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The non-hyperelliptic case

Idea of index calculus on small degree plane curves





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Asymptotic comparison on $\operatorname{Jac}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathbb{F}_q)$

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Classical index calculus	q^2	q^2	q^2	q^2
2LP, hyperelliptic case	q	$q^{4/3}$	$q^{3/2}$	$q^{8/5}$
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Section 2

Decomposition index calculus

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Attack on $E(\mathbb{F}_{a^n})$

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What kind of "decomposition" over E(K)?

Main idea [Semaev '04]:

- consider decompositions in a fixed number of points of \mathcal{F} $R = [a]P + [b]Q = P_1 + \cdots + P_m$
- convert this algebraically by using the (m+1)-th summation polynomial:

$$f_{m+1}(x_R, x_{P_1}, \dots, x_{P_m}) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists \epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_m \in \{1, -1\}, R = \epsilon_1 P_1 + \dots + \epsilon_m P_m$$

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Gaudry and Diem (2004)

"Decomposition attack": index calculus on $E(\mathbb{F}_{q^n})$

- Natural factor base: $\mathcal{F} = \{(x, y) \in E(\mathbb{F}_{q^n}) : x \in \mathbb{F}_q\}, \ \#\mathcal{F} \simeq q$
- Relations involve *n* points: $R = P_1 + \cdots + P_n$
- Restriction of scalars: decompose along a \mathbb{F}_q -linear basis of \mathbb{F}_{q^n}

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• With "double large prime" variation, overall complexity in $\tilde{O}\left(n!2^{3n(n-1)}q^{2-2/n}\right)$

• Bottleneck: deg $I(S_R) = 2^{n(n-1)}$. But most solutions not in \mathbb{F}_q

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Variant "n - 1" [Joux-V. '10]

Decompositions into m = n - 1 points

- compute the *n*-th summation polynomial (instead of n + 1-th) with partially symmetrized resultant
- solve \mathcal{S}_R with n-1 var, n eq and total degree 2^{n-2}
- (n-1)!q expected numbers of trials to get one relation

Computation speed-up

• S_R is overdetermined and $I(S_R)$ has very low degree (0 or 1 excep.)

- resolution with a *grevlex* Gröbner basis
- no need to change order (FGLM)
- Speed up computations with F4Remake

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Comparaison of the three attacks of ECDLP over \mathbb{F}_{q^n}



Under some heuristic assumptions, complexity of variant n-1 in

$$\tilde{O}\left((n-1)!\left(2^{(n-1)(n-2)}e^nn^{-1/2}\right)^{\omega}q^2\right)$$

Example of application to $E(\mathbb{F}_{p^5})$

Standard 'Well Known Group' 3 Oakley curve

E elliptic curve defined over $\mathbb{F}_{2^{155}}$, # $E(\mathbb{F}_{2^{155}}) = 12 \cdot 3805993847215893016155463826195386266397436443$

- $\mathcal{F} = \{ P \in E(\mathbb{F}_{2^{155}}) : x(P) \in \mathbb{F}_{2^{31}} \}$
- Decomposition test with variant n 1 takes 22.95 ms using F4Remake (on 2.93 GHz Intel Xeon)

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- $\mathcal{F} = \{ P \in E(\mathbb{F}_{2^{155}}) : x(P) \in \mathbb{F}_{2^{31}} \}$
- Decomposition test with variant n 1 takes 22.95 ms using F4Remake (on 2.93 GHz Intel Xeon)

- too slow for complete DLP resolution
- but efficient threat for Oracle-assisted Static Diffie-Hellman Problem (only one relation needed)

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- use Riemann-Roch based reformulation of Nagao instead

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In practice:

- Decompositions as $D \sim \sum_{i=1}^{ng} \left((\mathcal{Q}_i) (\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{H}}) \right)$ are too slow to compute
- Faster alternative [Joux-V.]: compute relations involving only elements of $\ensuremath{\mathcal{F}}$

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Speed-up

Much faster to compute decompositions with our variant

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Section 3

Cover and decomposition attacks

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Over and decomposition:

 $\tilde{O}(p^{5/3})$ cost using a hyperelliptic genus 3 cover defined over \mathbb{F}_{p^2}

- \rightarrow occurs directly for $1/\textit{p}^2$ curves and most curves after isogeny walk
 - Nagao-style decomposition: pprox 750 years
 - Modified relation search: \approx 300 years

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Relation search

• lex GB: 2.7 sec with one core⁽¹⁾ • sieving: $p^2/(2 \cdot 8!) \simeq 1.4 \times 10^{10}$ relations in 62 h on 1 024 cores⁽²⁾ \rightarrow 960× faster than Nagao

Linear algebra

- SGE: 25.5 h on 32 cores⁽²⁾ \rightarrow fivefold reduction
- Lanczos: 28.5 days on 64 cores⁽²⁾ (200 MB of data broadcast/round)

(Descent phase done in \sim 14 s for one point)

⁽¹⁾ Magma on 2.6 GHz Intel Core 2 Duo

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DLP over elliptic curves