

# Drinfeld Modules vs Isogeny-based Crypto

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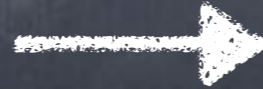
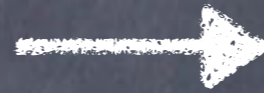
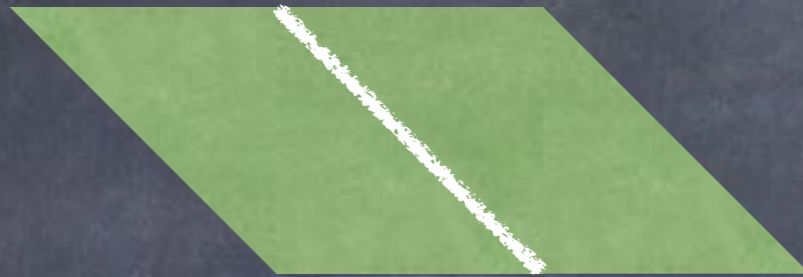
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# Isog-based Crypto

- Focuses about maps (isogenies) between curves
- No emphasis on points
- Paths in the isogeny graph

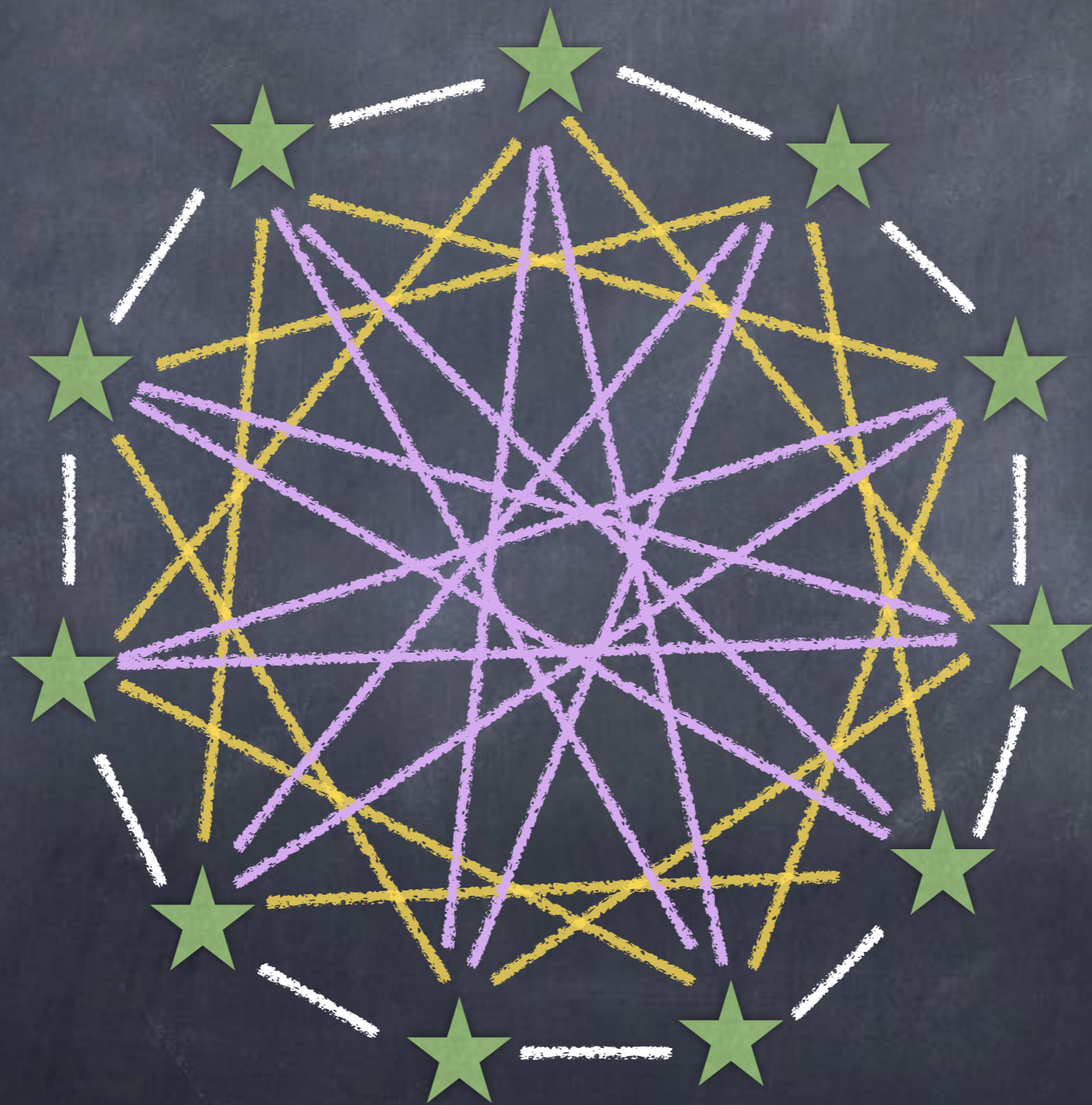
# Isogenies of EC



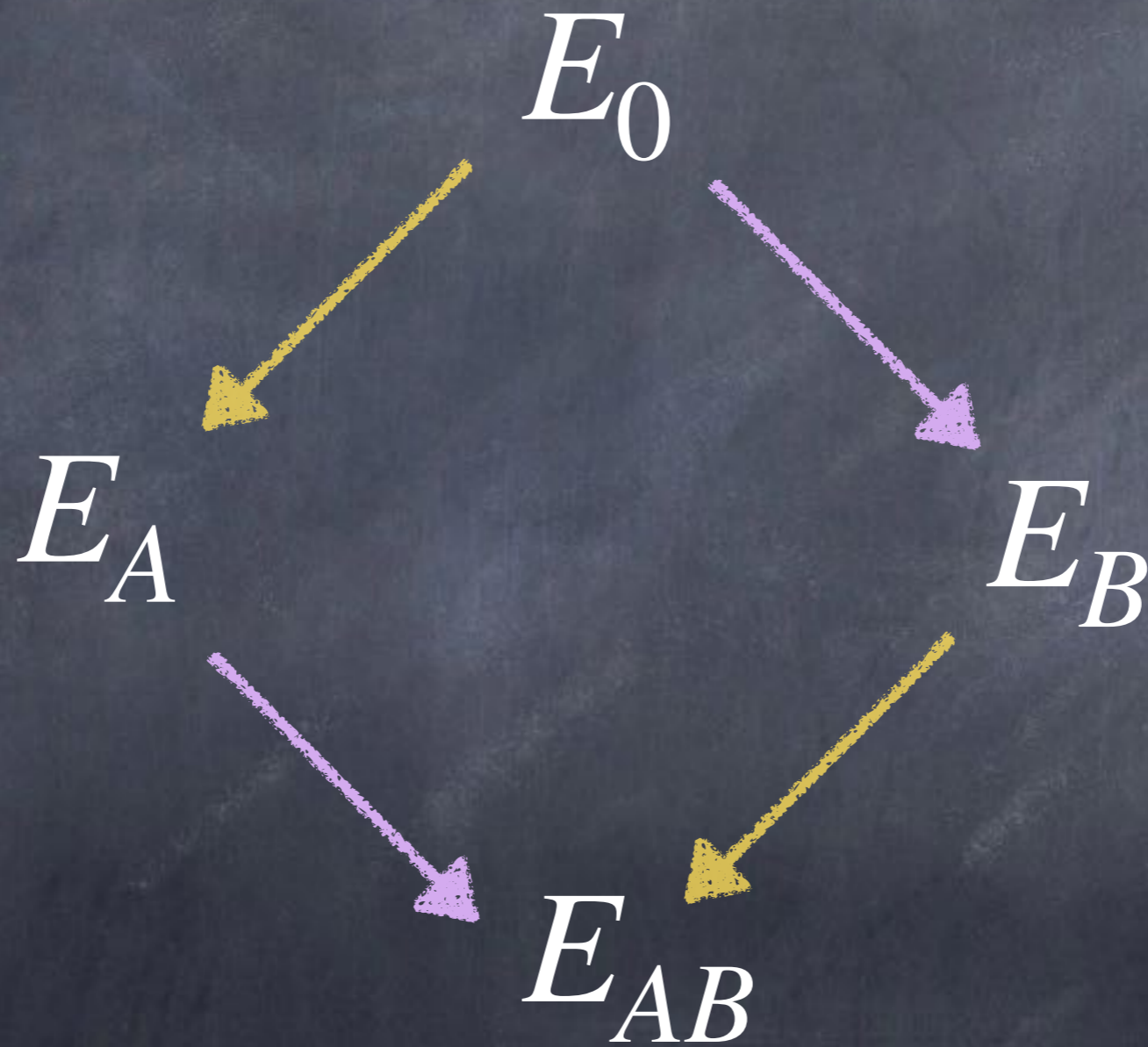
# Isogeny graph



# Isogeny graph



# Isog Key Exchange



# Drinfeld Modules (of rank 2)

- « Analogues » of EC
- Many similarities
- Exception: no natural « points »

# Drinfeld Modules

## Setting

$$\mathbb{F}_q[x] \xrightarrow{\gamma} K = \mathbb{F}_{q^n}$$

$q$  Frobenius:  $K \xrightarrow{\tau} K$

$K\langle\tau\rangle$  Ring of skewed polynomials

Elts of  $K\langle\tau\rangle$  give endomorphisms



$$\mathbb{F}_q[x] \xrightarrow{\phi/K} K\langle\tau\rangle \quad j_\phi = g_\phi^{q+1}/\Delta_\phi$$

$$x \xrightarrow{\quad} \gamma(x) + g_\phi\tau + \Delta_\phi\tau^2$$


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$K = \mathbb{F}_{q^n}$  defined as  $\mathbb{F}_q[x]/f(x)$

$$\tau^{2n} - \phi(t_\phi(x))\tau^n + \epsilon_\phi\phi(f) = 0$$

$t_\phi(x)$  is called the Trace of  $\phi/K$

$\phi/K$  supersingular is  $t_\phi(x) = 0$

# Drinfeld Modules

## Isogeny

$$\iota \in K\langle\tau\rangle \text{ isogeny } \phi/K \longrightarrow \psi/K$$

$$\text{iff } \iota \circ \phi = \psi \circ \iota$$

We just need to check on  $x$

# Example

Field:  $K = \mathbb{F}_{p^p} = \mathbb{F}_p[x]/(x^p - x + 1) = \mathbb{F}_p[\omega]$

Supersing Module:  $\phi/K$  with  $\phi(x) = x + \tau^2$

$$\tau^{2n} + \epsilon_\phi \phi(f) = 0$$

In fact  $\phi(f) = \tau^{2n}$

Thus  $\prod_{\alpha \in \mathbb{F}_p} \phi(x - \alpha) = \tau^{2n} - 1$

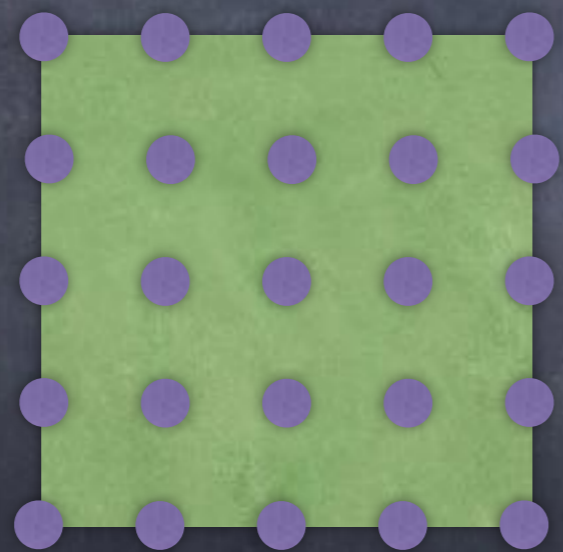
# Example

## Low-Degree Isogenies from Torsion

$$\phi_{x+\alpha} = \phi(x + \alpha) = x + \alpha + \tau^2$$

$$\phi_{x+\alpha}(Y) = 0 \iff Y^{p^2} + (\omega + \alpha)Y = 0$$

V-space



Each line gives:

$$Y^p - \theta Y = 0 \text{ with } \theta \in \mathbb{F}_{p^{2p}}$$

Isogeny:  $l = \tau - \theta$

# Example

Isogeny:  $\iota = \tau - \theta$

Dual:  $\hat{\iota} = \tau - (\omega + \alpha)/\theta$

We have:  $\hat{\iota} \circ \iota = \phi(x) + \alpha$  Let  $\psi = \iota \circ \hat{\iota} - \alpha$

$$\hat{\iota} \circ \iota \circ \hat{\iota} - \alpha \hat{\iota} = \phi \circ \hat{\iota} = \hat{\iota} \circ \psi$$

Thus: Low-Degree isogeny

# Example

$$\phi(x) = \omega + g_\phi \tau + \tau^2$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \xleftarrow{l^-} & \phi/K & \xrightarrow{l^+} \\ & \longleftarrow & & \longrightarrow \end{array}$$

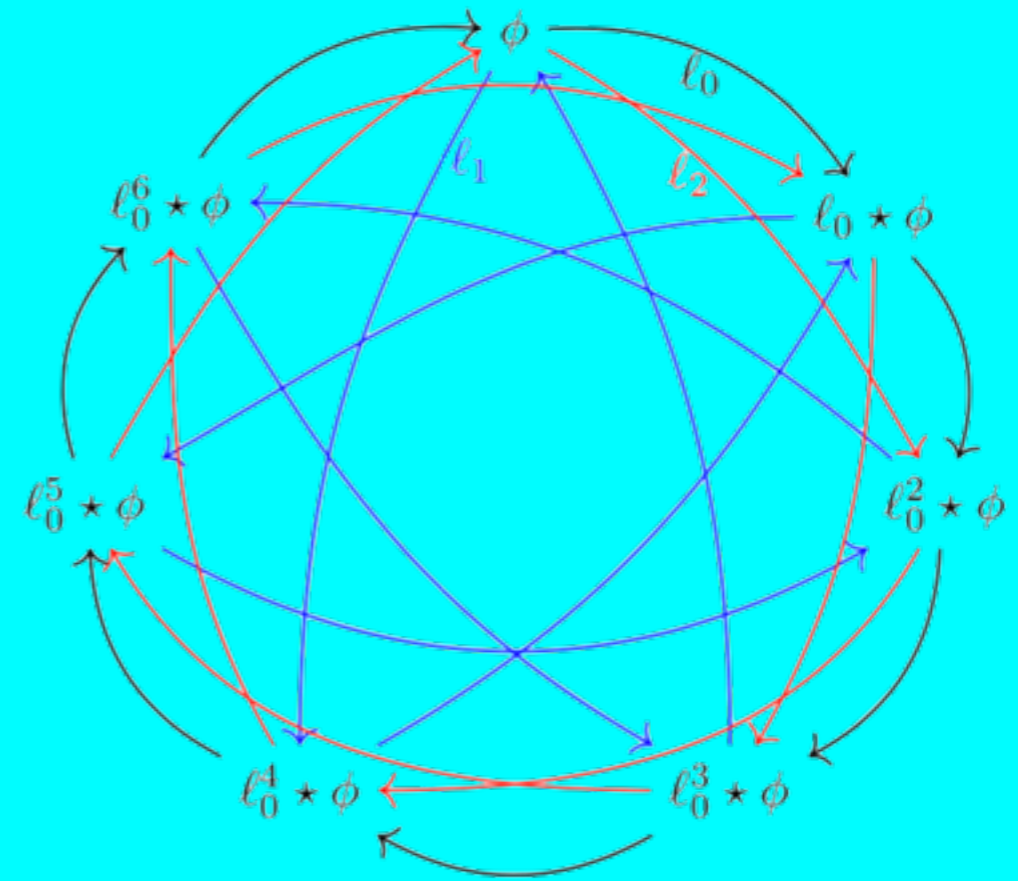
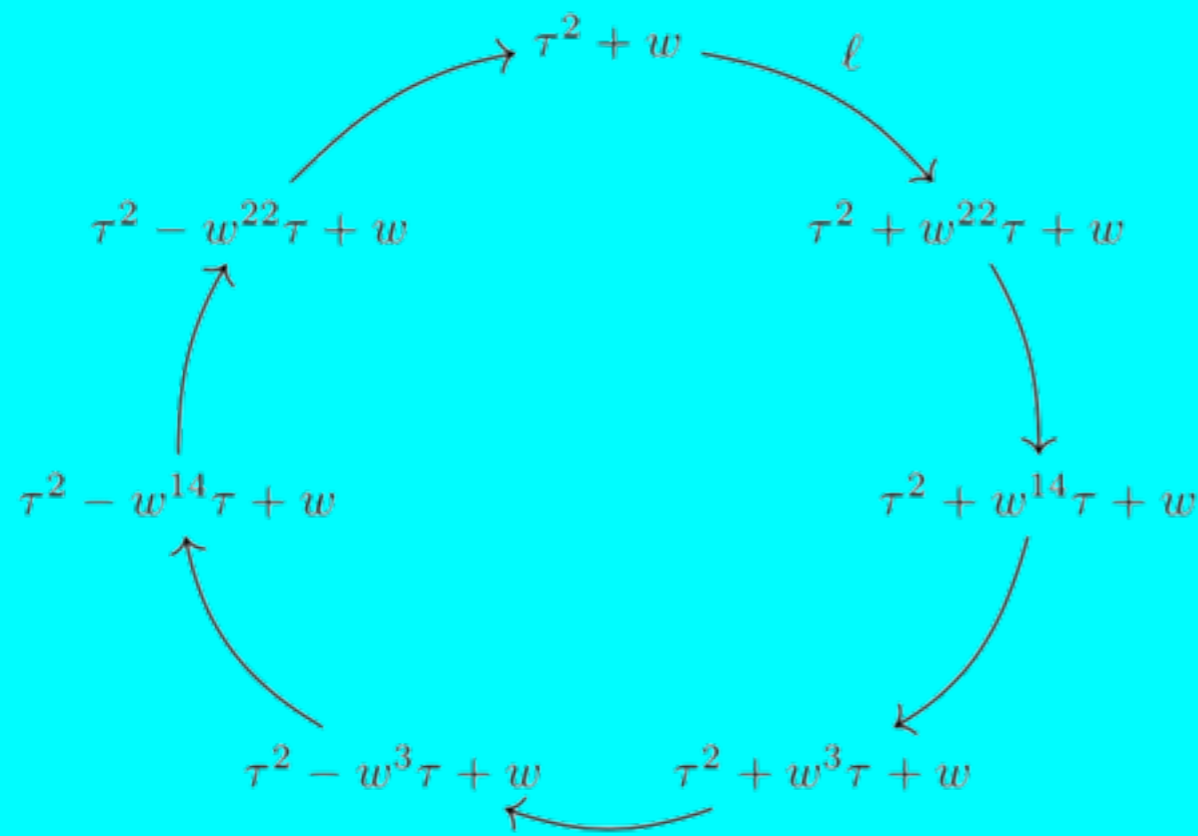
$$l^+ = \tau - \theta^+ \quad \text{where}$$

$$Y^p - \theta^+ Y = \gcd(Y^{p^2} + g_\phi Y^p + (\omega + \alpha)Y, Y^{p^p} - Y)$$

$$l^- = \tau - \theta^- \quad \text{where}$$

$$Y^p - \theta^- Y = \gcd(Y^{p^2} + g_\phi Y^p + (\omega + \alpha)Y, Y^{p^p} + Y)$$

# Example



$$p = 3$$

# Adapting (C)SIDH

$(p+1)$  isogs  $\iota = \tau - \theta$  for each  $x + \alpha$

SIDH

CSIDH

All values  $\theta$

Only  $\theta \in \mathbb{F}_{p^p}$  and dual

Non commutative

Isogs  $(\alpha, \theta)$  commutes

Need A/B split

Need Ker images

Larger graph

Smaller graph



# Base of the attack

Given  $\phi/K$  and  $\psi/K$

Find  $\iota \circ \phi = \psi \circ \iota$

Where:  $\iota = \sum_{k=0}^D i_k \tau^k$

For SIDH: Simple linear algebra !

Conclusion