

What are Trace Zero Varieties? Why Pairing on TZV?

Proposed by Gerhard Frey in 1998. Now in *twelfth* year

Start with genus g hyperelliptic curve C over \mathbb{F}_q

Trace Zero (sub)Variety of C over a field ext of deg r :

- Subgroup of divisor class group $Cl(C/\mathbb{F}_{q^r})$ of C over \mathbb{F}_{q^r}
- Isomorphic to quotient group $Cl(C/\mathbb{F}_{q^r})/Cl(C/\mathbb{F}_q)$
- Constructive application of Weil descent

Karl Rubin and Alice Silverberg in 2002, supersingular TZV:

- Allow to obtain higher MOV security per bit than EC
- Boost the security parameter by a factor of $r/\phi(r)$
- Application to pairing-based cryptography...

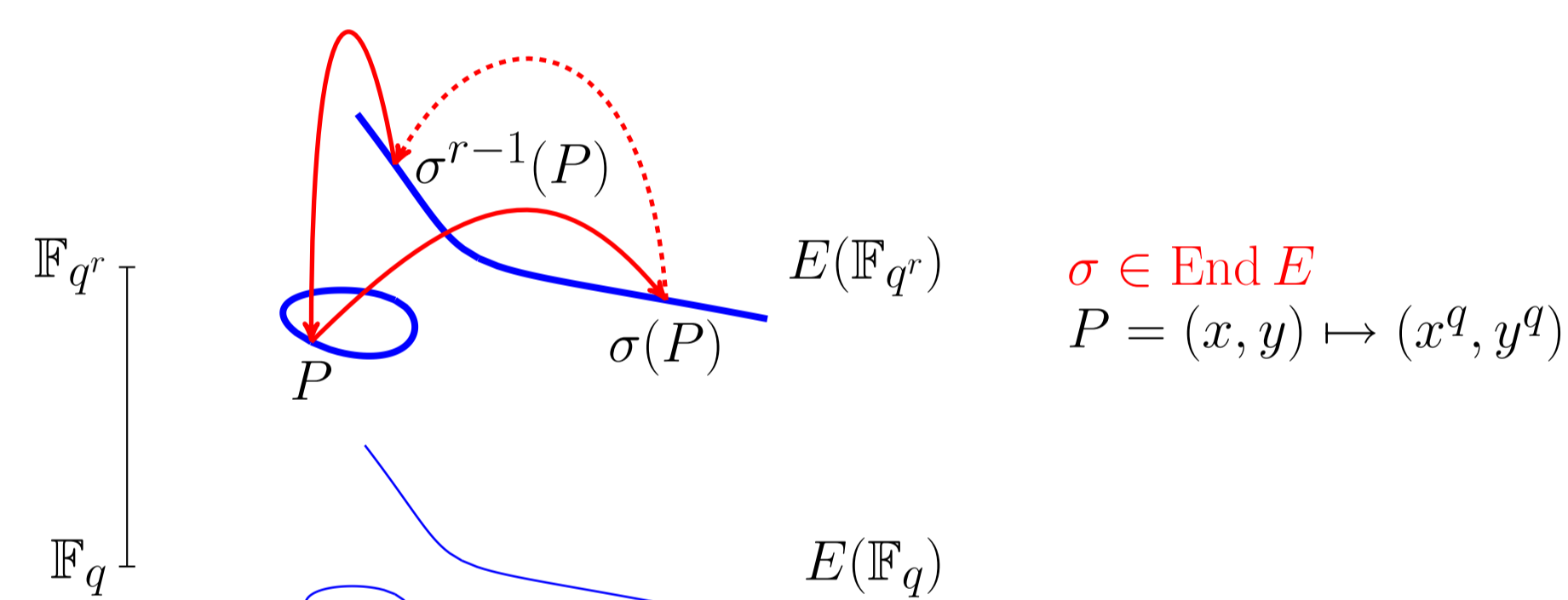
Supersingular is NOT insecure!

- Bounded embedding degree
- Moderate security level: < 1200-bit IF/DL

Symmetric pairing (distortion map)

- Much faster than asymmetric pairing

Trace Zero Varieties



Trace-zero subgroup of $E(\mathbb{F}_{q^r})$

$$E_r(\mathbb{F}_q) = \text{Ker Tr} = \{P \in E(\mathbb{F}_{q^r}) : \text{Tr} P = \mathcal{O}\},$$

where $\text{Tr} = [1] + \sigma + \dots + \sigma^{r-1} \in \text{End } E(\mathbb{F}_{q^r})$

E_r/\mathbb{F}_q : subvariety of the Weil descent $\text{Res}_{\mathbb{F}_q/\mathbb{F}_q} E$

Why? To speed up the scalar multiplication

- Need to compute $[m]P$ m integer, P point
- Double-and-add algorithm dbls: $\log m$; adds: $\frac{1}{2} \log m$

How? Using q -Frobenius endomorphism σ (e.g. $r = 3$)

- Efficiently compute $\sigma(P) = [s]P$ s depends on the curve
- **Scalar splitting**: write $[m]P = [m_0 + m_1 s]P$ $m_0, m_1 \approx \sqrt{m}$
- Compute concurrently $[m_0]P + [m_1]\sigma(P)$ almost half dbls

Price? Work with bigger coordinates

- Transmission overhead – small :-)
- **Point compression**

Pairing with Supersingular TZV

E_r/\mathbb{F}_q be a supersingular Trace Zero Variety

A new algorithm for computing the Tate pairing $t(P, Q)$ on E_r

- Exploits the action of the q -Frobenius σ
- Evaluates the Miller function $f_{q,P}$ at r conjugates of Q
- Suitable for parallel/storage-friendly implementations

Survey of available algorithms in literature (extended version)

- Naturally apply to $E(\mathbb{F}_{q^r}) \supset E_r$
- Only consider the action of the q^r -Frobenius π

Three relevant cases (Lemmas 1, 2, 3):

- **Supersingular E_3 over \mathbb{F}_{2^m}**
Efficient alternative (with equivalent security properties) to supersingular elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_{3^m}
- **Supersingular E_5 over \mathbb{F}_{3^m}**
First example of supersingular abelian varieties with security parameter greater than 6
- **Supersingular E_3 over \mathbb{F}_p** , $p > 3$

Main result [Theorem 2]

Let E_r be a supersingular TZV with embedding degree k . Suppose k is even and the distortion map allows for denominator elimination.

Then the Tate pairing can be computed as:

$$t(P, Q) = \left(\prod_{i=0}^{r-1} f_{q,P}(Q^{\sigma_i})^{q^{i(r+1)}} \right)^{M_r^q q^{a-1}},$$

where $a = k/2$, $M = q^{k/2} - 1$, $f_{n,P}$ is the Miller function and $\sigma_i = \sigma^{ij}$ is a proper power of the q -Frobenius σ : j depends on the curve and is given in Theorem 1.

A New Algorithm for the Tate Pairing

- Parallelization**
 - r processors
 - loop on q
- Precomputation/Storage**
 - $\log_2 q$ points

Pairing	Loop Size	Xeon
$f_{q,P}(Q)$	$q = 2^m$	0.472
t_l	$l = O(2^{2m})$	1.983
t_N	$N = O(2^{2m})$	1.026
η	2^{3m}	1.438
η_T	$2^{(3m+1)/2} - 1$	0.775
t_{TZV}	3×2^m	1.375
$t_{TZV}(\text{par})$	3×2^m	0.698

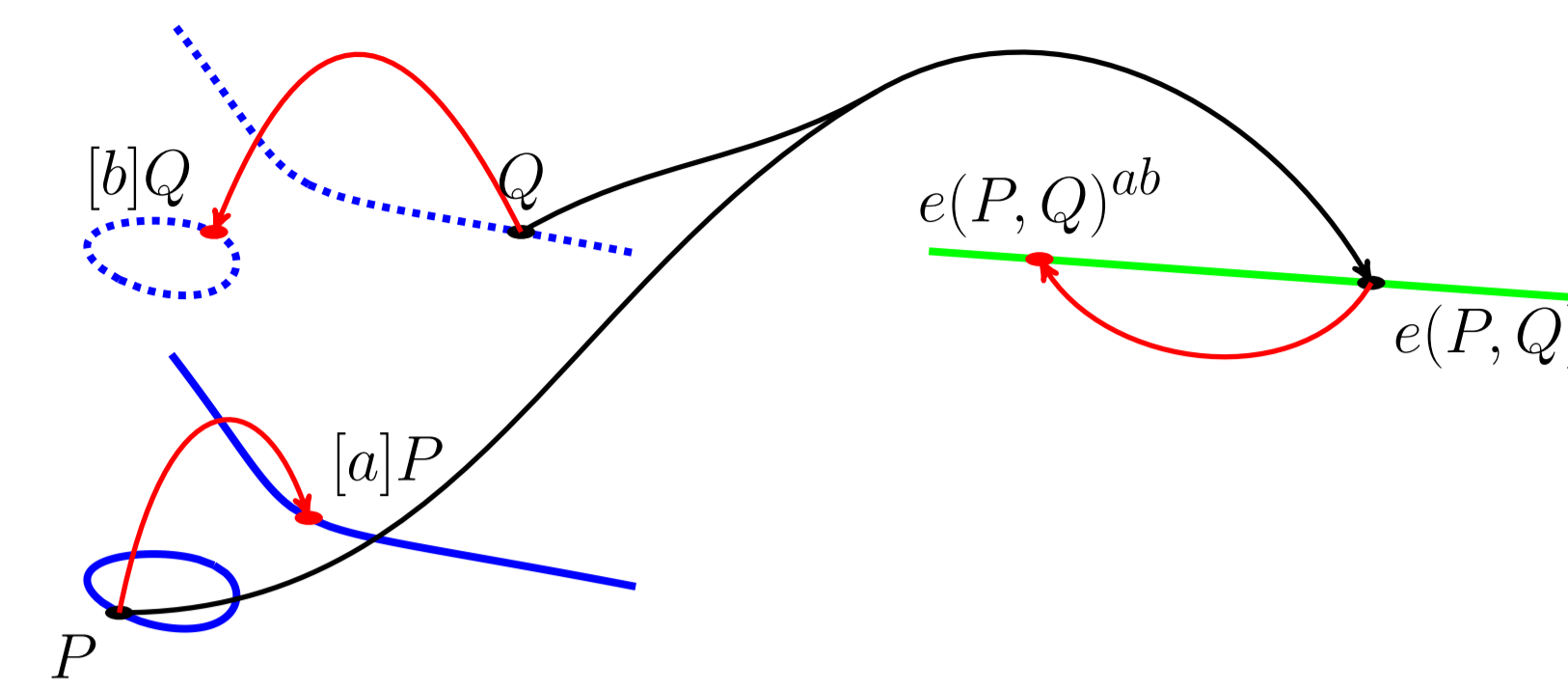
Timings (ms) on a Quad-core Xeon 3.2GHz

$$E_3/\mathbb{F}_{2^{103}} : y^2 + y = x^3 + x + 1$$

Pairing

Two examples from algebraic geometry (elliptic curves)

- E/\mathbb{F}_q be an elliptic curve; $\pi \in \text{End } E$ be the q -Frobenius
- $l \mid \#E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ be a big prime
- **Embedding degree** k : minimal such that $E[l] \subset E(\mathbb{F}_{q^k})$



$$E[l] \simeq \mathbb{Z}/\mathbb{Z}_l \times \mathbb{Z}/\mathbb{Z}_l = E[l](\mathbb{F}_q) \times (E[l](\mathbb{F}_{q^k}) \setminus E[l](\mathbb{F}_q))$$

$$\mathbb{G}_1 = E[l] \cap \text{Ker}(\pi - [1]), \quad \mathbb{G}_2 = E[l] \cap \text{Ker}(\pi - [q])$$

$$\mathbb{G}_T = \mu_l \in \mathbb{F}_{q^k}^*$$

- $f_P \in \mathbb{F}_{q^k}(E)$, with divisor $l(P) - l\mathcal{O}$

Weil pairing

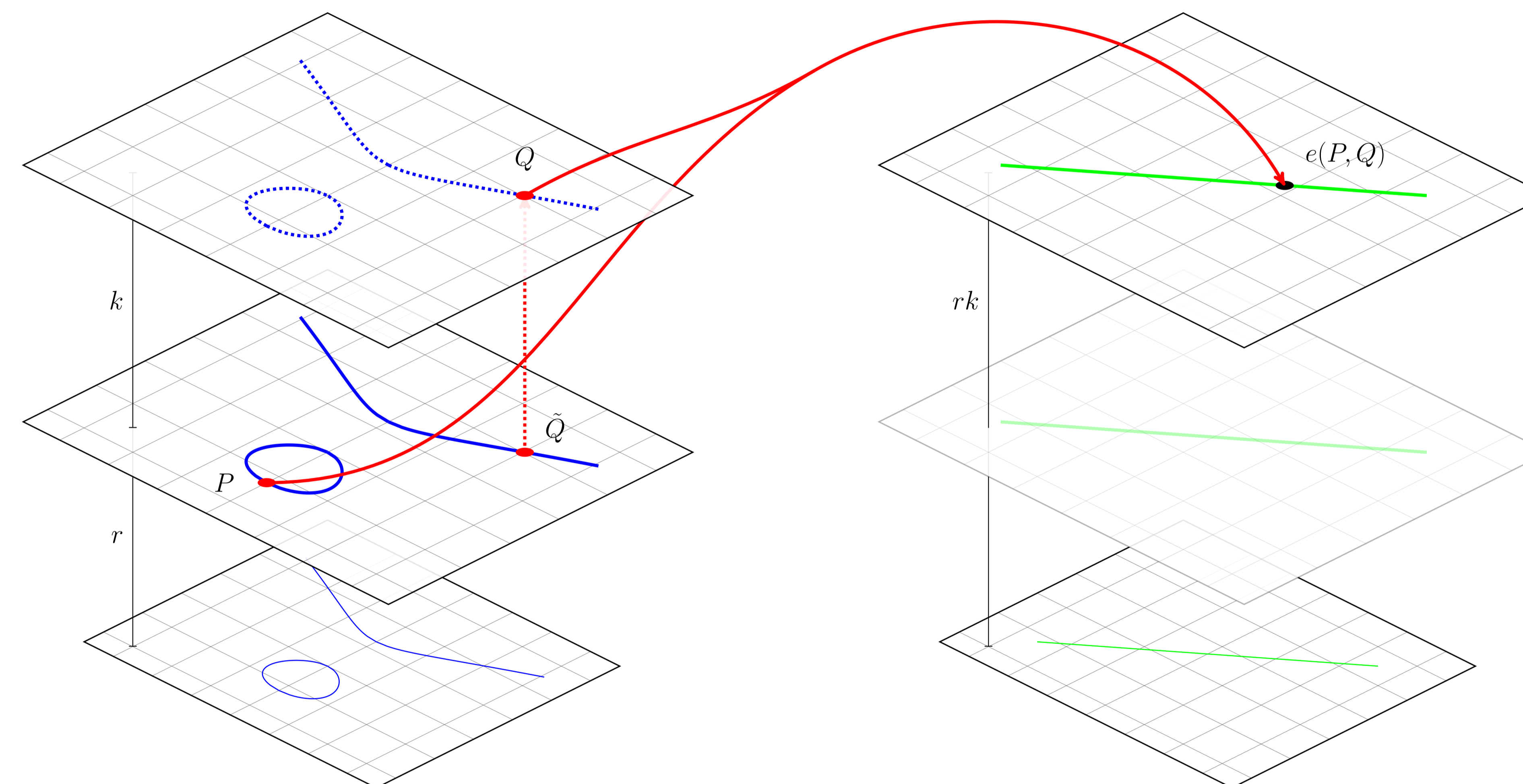
$$w(P, Q) = \frac{f_P(Q)}{f_Q(P)}$$

Tate pairing

$$t(P, Q) = f_P(Q)^{\frac{q^k-1}{l}}$$

A new tool for cryptographers:

- $e: \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$
- **Bilinear**: $e([a]P, [b]Q) = e(P, Q)^{ab}$
- Non degenerate: there exist $P, Q: e(P, Q) \neq 1$
- Efficiently computable



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