

Batch binary Edwards

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Classic  $\mathbf{F}_p^*$  index calculus  
needs to check smoothness  
of many positive integers  $< p$ .

Smooth integer: integer  
with no prime divisors  $> y$ .

Typical:  $(\log y)^2 \in$   
 $(1/2 + o(1)) \log p \log \log p$ .

Many: typically  $y^{2+o(1)}$ ,  
of which  $y^{1+o(1)}$  are smooth.

(Modern index calculus, NFS:  
smaller integers; smaller  $y$ .)

How to check smoothness?

Old answers: Trial division,  
time  $y^{1+o(1)}$ ; rho, time  $y^{1/2+o(1)}$ ,  
assuming standard conjectures.

Better answer: ECM etc.

Time  $y^{o(1)}$ ; specifically  
 $\exp \sqrt{(2 + o(1)) \log y \log \log y}$ ,  
assuming standard conjectures.

Much better answer (using RAM):

Known *batch* algorithms  
test smoothness of *many*  
integers simultaneously.

Time per input:  $(\log y)^{O(1)}$   
 $= \exp O(\log \log y)$ .

General pattern:

Algorithm designer optimizes algorithm for *one* input.

But algorithm is then applied to *many* inputs! Oops.

Often much better speed from *batch* algorithms optimized for many inputs.

e.g. Batch ECDL:  $\sqrt{\#}$  speedup.

Batch NFS: smaller exponent.

Can find many more examples.

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Note: No subfields were exploited

in the creation of this record.

Batched conditional branches  
are slow and painful. Solution:  
*complete* curve operations.

2008 Bernstein–Lange–Rezaeian

Farashahi: for  $n \geq 3$ , every

ordinary elliptic curve over  $\mathbf{F}_{2^n}$

can be written as a

“complete binary Edwards curve.”

Extremely fast formulas for

complete differential addition.

With good curve selection:

**5M** + **4S** per bit.

Note 1: Need complete *curve*.

Need singularities at  $\infty$

blowing up irrationally.

Symmetric, Edwards-like:

$$x^2(y^2 + y + d)$$

$$+ x(y^2 + \dots) + (dy^2 + \dots),$$

with  $y^2 + y + d$  irreducible.

Note 2: Need complete *formulas*.

Warning: for odd characteristic,

$$(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) =$$

$$\left( \frac{x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2}{x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2}, \frac{x_1 y_1 - x_2 y_2}{x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1} \right)$$

is an *incomplete* addition law

on a complete Edwards curve!