

# Pairing-Based Cryptography

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Today's tutorial is based on what I learned from Palash and Alfred (and my other teachers and colleagues at ISI and UW).

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But *don't forget* to put your mobile friend in the sleep mode.

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*However, if this approach is taken, then it is easy for authors to make assumptions concerning the properties of pairings which are not necessarily correct, and hence develop cryptographic schemes which cannot be realized in practice, or which cannot be implemented as efficiently as the authors assume.*



# Our Agenda

Take a panoramic view of the interplay of functionality, security and efficiency of cryptographic protocols employing bilinear pairing.

# Pairing in Cryptology

# “New Directions in Cryptography”

- ▶ Diffie-Hellman (1976)
  - ▶ The (public) birth of Public-Key Cryptography.
- ▶ Two-party one-round key agreement protocol.
  - ▶ A prime order group  $\mathbb{G} = \langle P \rangle$
  - ▶  $\hat{A} \rightarrow \hat{B} : aP.$
  - ▶  $\hat{B} \rightarrow \hat{A} : bP.$
  - ▶ Shared secret:  $abP.$
- ▶ A *natural* question:
  - ▶ Design a three-party one-round key agreement protocol.

# Intractability Assumptions

- ▶ Security of any public key cryptographic protocol is based on the assumed *hardness* of some computational problem.
  - ▶ Unconditional proof of security of a public-key protocol will imply  $P \neq NP$ .
- ▶ Discrete logarithm problem (DLP).
  - ▶ A classical problem in number theory.
  - ▶ Given  $\mathbb{G} = \langle P \rangle$  and  $R \in \mathbb{G}$ , find  $a$  such that  $R = aP$ .
- ▶ Security of Diffie-Hellman protocol is based on the Diffie-Hellman Problem (DHP).
  - ▶ Given  $\langle P \rangle, aP, bP$ , compute  $abP$ .

# Elliptic Curve Cryptography

- ▶ Proposed (independently) by Koblitz and Miller (1985).
- ▶ No faster-than-squareroot generic algorithm to solve DLP over Elliptic Curve groups.
- ▶ Several curve forms were suggested for cryptographic use.
  - ▶ “Supersingular curves” was one of them.

# Pairing: a *black box* intro

- ▶ Let  $n$  be a prime number.
- ▶ Let  $\mathbb{G} = \langle P \rangle$  be an additive group of order  $n$ .
- ▶ Let  $\mathbb{G}_T$  be a multiplicative group of order  $n$ .

A *symmetric* bilinear pairing on  $(\mathbb{G}, \mathbb{G}_T)$  is a function  $e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$  such that:

1. **Bilinearity:** For all  $R, S, T \in \mathbb{G}$ :

$$e(R + S, T) = e(R, T)e(S, T)$$

$$e(R, S + T) = e(R, S)e(R, T)$$

2. **Non-degeneracy:**  $e(P, P) \neq 1$ .

Known examples: Weil pairing, Tate pairing over *supersingular* elliptic curves.

# Pairing in crypto

$$e(aP, bP) = e(P, P)^{ab}$$

- ▶ Menezes-Okamoto-Vanstone (1991)
  - ▶ Reducing elliptic curve logarithms to logarithms in a finite field.
- ▶ The MOV reduction:
  - ▶  $\text{DLP}_{\mathbb{G}}$ : Given  $P, aP \in \mathbb{G}$ , find  $a$ .
  - ▶ Compute  $\alpha = e(P, P)$ ,  $\beta = e(P, aP) = \alpha^a$ .
    - ▶  $a = \log_{\alpha} \beta$ .
- ▶ Weil pairing was employed.
  - ▶ Around 16 minutes to compute the pairing.
- ▶ Frey-Ruck (1994): used Tate pairing to reduce ECDLP to DLP in finite field.

# A curse for ECC?

$$e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$$

- ▶ Use faster algorithm in  $\mathbb{G}_T$  to solve the original DLP in  $\mathbb{G}$ .
- ▶ Could be a problem for ECC if the parameters are not appropriately chosen.
- ▶ Supersingular curves were (almost) abandoned...if not ECC altogether.
  - ▶ See [Koblitz-Koblitz-Menezes:2008] for the history of the acceptance of ECC.



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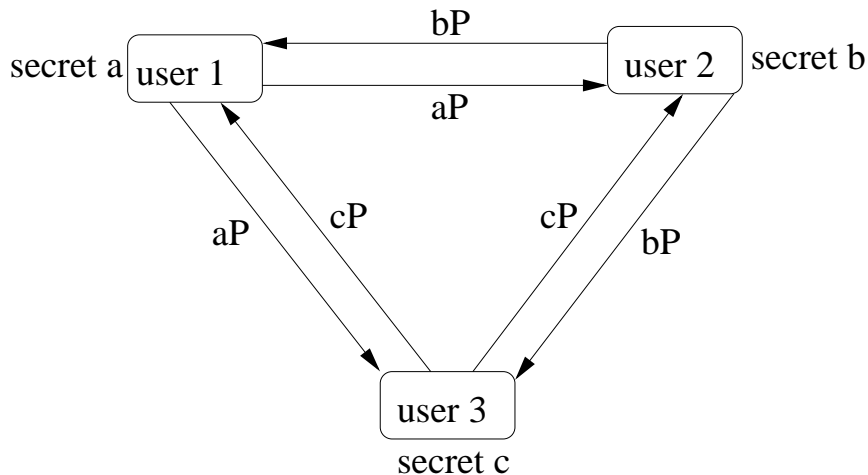
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- ▶ DDH is easy in  $\mathbb{G}$  if one can efficiently compute the pairing:

$$e(aP, bP) \stackrel{?}{=} e(P, cP).$$

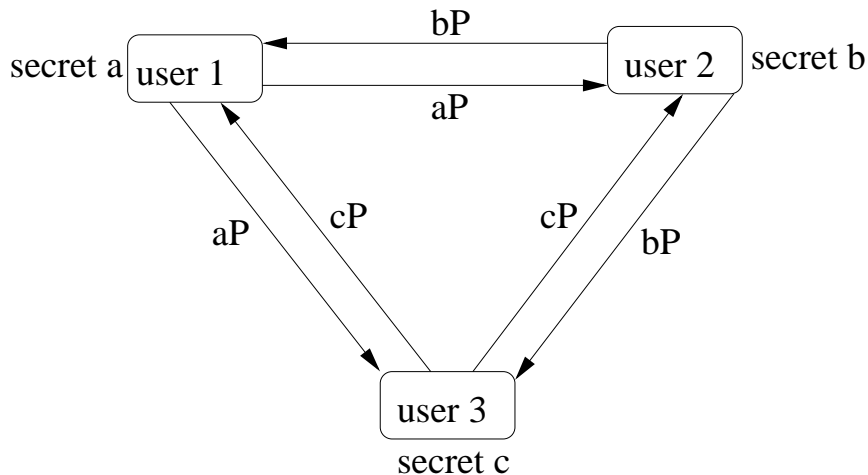
# Come 2000!

- ▶ Sakai-Ohgishi-Kasahara ID-based key agreement protocol [SCIS'00].
- ▶ Joux's three-party one round key agreement protocol [ANTS'00].
- ▶ Constructive use of pairing to solve two interesting cryptographic problems.

## Joux's Protocol



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$$K = e(P, P)^{abc} = e(bP, cP)^a = e(aP, cP)^b = e(aP, bP)^c.$$

# A blessing for cryptographers!

- ▶ Identity-Based Encryption (2001).
  - ▶ Boneh and Franklin solved the open problem posed by Shamir in 1984.
  - ▶ Presented in the language of provable security.
  - ▶ Cited more than 3500 times.
- ▶ Short signature (2001).
- ▶ Hierarchical IBE (2002).
- ▶ Aggregate signatures, homomorphic encryption, broadcast encryption, attribute-based encryption...
- ▶ Non-interactive zero knowledge proofs...
- ▶ **Pairing** – a new conference starting in 2007
  - ▶ *Pairing 2010*: Dec. 13 to 15, 2010.

# Identity-Based Cryptography

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- ▶ A *Private Key Generator* (PKG) provides the private key corresponding to each identity.

## ID-NIKD based on pairing

[Sakai-Ohgishi-Kasahara:2000]

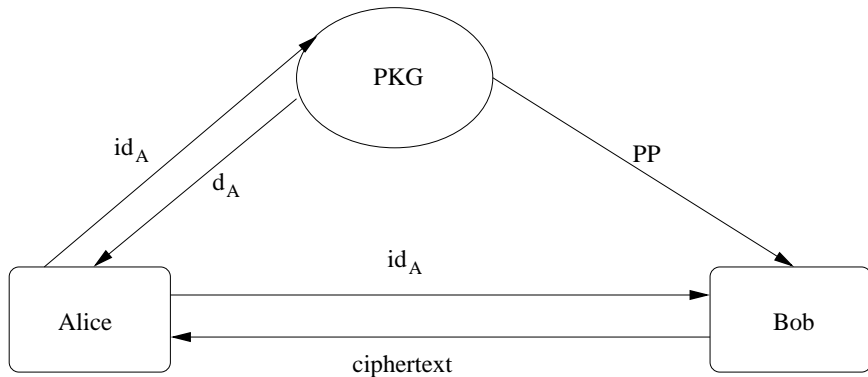
- ▶  $e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$ ,  $\mathbb{G} = \langle P \rangle$ .
- ▶  $H : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$  is a hash function.
- ▶ PKG chooses master secret  $s \in_R \mathbb{Z}_n$  and sets public key  $R = sP$ .

**Key Extraction:** The pvt. key  $d_A$  of user A with identity  $ID_A$  is  $d_A = sQ_A$ , where  $Q_A = H(ID_A)$ .

**Key Agreement:** A computes  $K_A = e(d_A, Q_B) = e(Q_A, Q_B)^s$  and B computes  $K_B = e(d_B, Q_A) = e(Q_B, Q_A)^s$ .

Note:  $e(Q_A, Q_B) = e(Q_B, Q_A)$  and hence  $K_A = K_B$  is the shared secret.

# Identity-Based Encryption (IBE)



# IBE (a little more formal)

**Set-Up:** The algorithm returns the system public parameters  $PP$  together with the master secret key  $msk$ .

**Key-Gen:** Takes input an identity  $id \in \mathcal{I}$  together with  $PP$  and  $msk$  and returns a pvt. key  $d_{id}$ .

**Encrypt:** Takes input an identity  $id \in \mathcal{I}$ , a message  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $PP$  and produces a ciphertext  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ .

**Decrypt:** Takes as input  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $id$  and a corresponding private key  $d_{id}$ ,  $PP$ . It returns the message  $M$  or  $\perp$  if the ciphertext cannot be decrypted.

These set of algorithms must satisfy the standard soundness requirement.

# Basic Ident of Boneh-Franklin (simplified)

$e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T, \mathbb{G} = \langle P \rangle.$

$H : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{G}^*$  is a hash function.

- ▶ Set-Up: msk:  $s \in_R \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  and set  $P_{\text{pub}} = sP.$
- ▶ Key-Gen: Given  $\text{ID} \in \{0, 1\}^*,$  compute  $Q_{\text{ID}} = H(\text{ID})$  and set  $d_{\text{ID}} = sQ_{\text{ID}}.$
- ▶ Encrypt: To encrypt  $M \in \mathbb{G}_T$  to  $\text{ID}$  compute  $Q_{\text{ID}} = H(\text{ID}),$  choose  $r \in_R \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  and set:

$$C = \langle rP, M \times e(Q_{\text{ID}}, P_{\text{pub}})^r \rangle$$

- ▶ Decrypt: To decrypt  $C = \langle U, V \rangle$  using  $d_{\text{ID}}$  compute

$$V \times e(d_{\text{ID}}, U)^{-1} = M.$$

$$e(d_{\text{ID}}, U) = e(sQ_{\text{ID}}, rP) = e(Q_{\text{ID}}, sP)^r = e(Q_{\text{ID}}, P_{\text{pub}})^r.$$

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- ▶ Set-up and Key-Gen algorithms are same.
- ▶ Encrypt and Decrypt of BasicIdent can be obtained by slightly tweaking the Key Agreement algorithm.
  - ▶ Encrypt masks the message by  $e(P_{\text{pub}}, Q_{\text{ID}})^r = e(rsP, Q_{\text{ID}}) = e(s(rP), Q_{\text{ID}})$  and  $rP$  is sent as part of  $C$ .
  - ▶ Recipient with pvt. key  $d_{\text{ID}} = sQ_{\text{ID}}$  un.masks by computing  $e(rP, d_{\text{ID}}) = e(s(rP), Q_{\text{ID}}) = e(rP, Q_{\text{ID}})^s$ .
  - ▶ Think of  $rP$  as the hash of id of the sender.
  - ▶ The shared secret in SOK ID-NIKD is transformed into the mask in  $C$  of BasicIdent.

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A game between an adversary ( $\mathcal{A}$ ) and a challenger ( $\mathcal{B}$ ).

- ▶  $\mathcal{A}$  can place
  - ▶ Key-extraction query: adaptively corrupt users.
  - ▶ Decryption query: obtain the decryption of a ciphertext under an id of its choice.
- ▶  $\mathcal{A}$  chooses a target  $ID^*$  and two messages  $M_0$  and  $M_1$ .
  - ▶ Receives an encryption of  $M_\beta$ ,  $\beta \in_R \{0, 1\}^*$  under  $ID^*$ .
- ▶ Can continue with the key-extraction and decryption queries.
- ▶  $\mathcal{A}$  wins if it can predict  $\beta$  with prob. significantly away from  $1/2$ .

CPA-security: Decryption queries are disallowed.

# Security of BasicIdent

- ▶ Bilinear Diffie-Hellman Problem (BDH): Given  $\langle P, aP, bP, cP \rangle$  for unknown  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , compute  $e(P, P)^{abc}$ .
- ▶ Decision Bilinear Diffie-Hellman Problem (DBDH): Given  $\langle P, aP, bP, cP, Z \rangle$  for unknown  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , decide whether  $Z = e(P, P)^{abc}$  or  $Z$  is a random element of  $\mathbb{G}_T$ .
- ▶ *Security* of BasicIdent is based on the hardness of (D)BDH problem.
  - ▶ Given  $\mathcal{A}$  against BasicIdent construct an algorithm  $\mathcal{B}$  that solves the DBDH problem.
  - ▶  $\mathcal{A}$  can corrupt users (other than the target).
  - ▶ But cannot place any decryption query.

# Reductionist Argument (simplified)

- ▶ DBDH instance:  $\langle P, aP, bP, cP, Z \rangle$ .
- ▶ Set  $P_{\text{pub}} = aP$ .
- ▶ Fix the target  $ID^*$ .
- ▶  $H$ -query:
  - ▶ For  $ID \neq ID^*$ , choose  $x \in_R \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  and set  $H(ID) = xP$ .
  - ▶ Set  $H(ID^*) = bP$ .
- ▶ Pvt. key query on  $ID$ : return  $x(aP)$ .
- ▶ Given  $M_0, M_1$ , choose  $\beta \in_R \{0, 1\}$  and set
  - ▶  $C = \langle cP, M_\beta \times Z \rangle$ .
- ▶ If  $Z = e(P, P)^{abc}$  then  $C$  is a proper ciphertext.
- ▶ Otherwise  $C$  statistically hides  $\beta$ .
- ▶ Advantage of  $\mathcal{A}$  against BasicIdent can be converted into an advantage to solve the DBDH instance.

# CCA Security

- ▶ BasicIdent: insecure *if*  $\mathcal{A}$  can obtain decryption of ciphertexts of its choice.
  - ▶ Given  $C = \langle rP, M_\beta \times e(P_{\text{pub}}, Q_{\text{ID}})^r \rangle$ .
  - ▶  $\mathcal{A}$  asks for the decryption of

$$C' = \langle rP + r'P, M_\beta \times e(P_{\text{pub}}, Q_{\text{ID}})^r \times e(P_{\text{pub}}, Q_{\text{ID}})^{r'} \rangle.$$

- ▶ Receives  $M_\beta$ !
- ▶ FullIdent: CCA-secure version of Boneh-Franklin IBE.
  - ▶ Adapts the Fujisaki-Okamoto transformation to IBE.

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- ▶ But we already have practical signature schemes.
  - ▶ Can we have a short(er) signature?



# Asymmetric Pairings

# (Asymmetric) Pairings: (still) in abstract

Let  $\mathbb{G}_1 = \langle P_1 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbb{G}_2 = \langle P_2 \rangle$  and  $\mathbb{G}_T$  be groups of order  $n$  with  $\mathbb{G}_1 \neq \mathbb{G}_2$ .

An *asymmetric* bilinear pairing on  $(\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2, \mathbb{G}_T)$  is a function  $e : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$  such that:

1. **Bilinearity:** For all  $Q_1, Q_2 \in \mathbb{G}_1, R_1, R_2 \in \mathbb{G}_2$ :

$$e(Q_1 + Q_2, R_1) = e(Q_1, R_1)e(Q_2, R_1)$$

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2. **Non-degeneracy:**  $e(P_1, P_2) \neq 1$ .

Note:  $e(aU, bV) = e(U, V)^{ab} = e(bU, aV) \quad \forall U \in \mathbb{G}_1, V \in \mathbb{G}_2, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Known examples: Weil pairing, Tate pairing over *ordinary* elliptic curves.

# Why Asymmetric Pairings?

- ▶ Symmetric pairings are restricted in the choice of curves.
- ▶ And *significantly* slower at higher security levels.
- ▶ Asymmetric pairings allow **shorter** representation of elements of  $\mathbb{G}_1$ .

# BLS *Short* Signature

[Boneh-Lynn-Shacham:2001]

- ▶ **Key generation:** Private key:  $x \in_R \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  and  
Public key:  $X = xP_2 \in \mathbb{G}_2$ .
- ▶ **Sign:** To sign  $M \in \{0, 1\}^*$ :
  - ▶ Compute  $H = \text{Hash}(M)$ , where  $\text{Hash} : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1$ .
  - ▶ Compute  $\sigma = xH \in \mathbb{G}_1$ .

The signature on  $M$  is  $\sigma$ .

- ▶ **Verify:** To verify  $(M, \sigma)$ :
  - ▶ Compute  $H = \text{Hash}(M)$ .
  - ▶ Accept iff  $e(\sigma, P_2) = e(H, X)$ .

Correctness:  $e(\sigma, P_2) = e(xH, P_2) = e(H, xP_2) = e(H, X)$ .

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- ▶ *Existential Unforgability under Chosen Message Attack.*
- ▶ A game between a challenger ( $\mathcal{B}$ ) and an attacker  $\mathcal{A}$ .
  - ▶  $\mathcal{A}$  is provided with the public key and a *signing oracle*.
  - ▶  $\mathcal{A}$  can adaptively ask for the signature on any message  $M$  of its choosing.
  - ▶  $\mathcal{A}$ 's task is to produce a valid message-signature pair  $(M^*, \sigma^*)$ .
- ▶ *Security* is established through a reductionist argument.
  - ▶ If  $\mathcal{A}$  is successful then  $\mathcal{B}$  solves some computational problem which is *believed* to be hard.

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**co-DHP** in  $(\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2)$ : Given  $H \in \mathbb{G}_1$  and  $X (= xP_2) \in \mathbb{G}_2$ , compute  $xH$ .

**Theorem:** If co-DHP in  $(\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2)$  is hard and Hash is a *random* function, then the BLS-2 signature scheme is secure.

**Argument:** Given  $X \in \mathbb{G}_2$ :

- ▶ The signing oracle is *useless*:
  - ▶ Gives  $\sigma \in \mathbb{G}_1$  s.t.  $e(\sigma, P_2) = e(H', X)$  for  $H' \in_R \mathbb{G}_1$ .
  - ▶ *But*  $\mathcal{A}$  can generate such  $(H', \sigma)$  pair itself – select  $y \in_R \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  and compute  $H' = yP_1$  and  $\sigma = y\psi(X) = yxP_1 = xH'$ .
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What is  $\psi$ ??



# Type 2 and Type 3 Pairings

$$e : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$$

- ▶ If an efficiently-computable isomorphism  $\psi : \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1$  ( $\psi(P_2) = P_1$ ), is known, then  $e$  is called a **Type 2** pairing.
- ▶ If no such isomorphism  $\psi$  is known, then  $e$  is called a **Type 3** pairing.
- ▶ BLS-2: BLS employing Type 2 pairing.
- ▶ BLS-3: BLS employing Type 3 pairing.

# BLS-3 Security

**co-DHP\*** in  $(\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2)$ : Given  $H, xP_1(= X_1) \in \mathbb{G}_1$  and  $xP_2(= X_2) \in \mathbb{G}_2$ , compute  $xH$ .

**Theorem:** If co-DHP\* in  $(\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2)$  is hard and Hash is a *random* function, then the BLS-3 signature scheme is secure.

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# BLS-2 or BLS-3?

- ▶ Boneh-Lynn-Shacham asserts:
  - ▶ co-DHP\* is a “stronger complexity assumption” than co-DHP.
  - ▶ And hence there is no reason to use BLS-3.
- ▶ But BLS-3 is more efficient as it is implemented in the Type 3 setting.

# A Concrete Situation

- ▶ Let  $E/\mathbb{F}_p : Y^2 = X^3 + b$  where  $p = 36z^4 + 36z^3 + 24z^2 + 6z + 1$  for some  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
  - ▶ ( $E$  can also be viewed as an elliptic curve over any extension field of  $\mathbb{F}_p$ .)
  - ▶  $\#E(\mathbb{F}_p) = n$ , where  $n (= 36z^4 + 36z^3 + 18z^2 + 6z + 1)$  is a prime.
  - ▶ The embedding (*MOV/FR*) degree is  $k = 12$ .
- ▶  $E[n]$  : Set of all order- $n$  points  $P$  on  $E$ .
  - ▶  $|E[n]| = n^2$ .
  - ▶  $E[n] \subseteq E(\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}})$ .
- ▶ Introduced by Barreto-Naehrig (2005).
  - ▶ Ideal for the 128-bit security level.
  - ▶  $p$  and  $n$  are 256-bit primes.

# Type 3 Pairing from BN Curves

- ▶  $\mathbb{G}_T$ : order- $n$  subgroup of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .
- ▶  $\mathbb{G}_1 = E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ .
- ▶  $\mathbb{G}_2$ : any other order- $n$  subgroup of  $E[n]$ .
  - ▶ There are  $n$  such subgroups of  $E[n]$ .
- ▶ To speedup computation, one sets  $\mathbb{G}_2$  to be the “Trace-0” subgroup of  $E[n]$ .
  - ▶ Call it  $\mathbb{T}_0$ .
  - ▶ Elements of  $\mathbb{T}_0$  are (essentially) defined over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  (instead of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ ).
- ▶ One of the fastest pairings is R-ate pairing  $e_3 : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{T}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$ .
  - ▶ Type 3 pairing: no efficiently computable isomorphism  $\psi : \mathbb{T}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1$  is known.

# Type 2 Pairing

- ▶ Let  $P'_2 \in E[n]$  such that  $P'_2 \notin \mathbb{G}_1 \cup \mathbb{T}_0$ .
- ▶ Define  $\mathbb{G}'_2 = \langle P'_2 \rangle$ .
- ▶ Let  $e_2 : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{G}'_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$ .
  - ▶ Type 2 pairing: there is an efficiently computable isomorphism from  $\mathbb{G}'_2$  to  $\mathbb{G}_1$ .
- ▶ The task of computing  $e_2$  can be reduced to the task of computing  $e_3$  (with a little extra cost).

## Type 2 vs. Type 3 Pairings

# Why bother about Type 2 or Type 3?

$$e : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$$

- ▶ **Functionality:** Some pairing-based protocols use the map  $\psi$  in the protocol itself.
- ▶ **Security:** Many protocols use the map  $\psi$  in their security proofs.
- ▶ **Efficiency:** Elements of  $\mathbb{G}'_2$  are defined over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  and elements of  $\mathbb{T}_0$  are defined over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ .
  - ▶ **Computation:** Arithmetic in  $\mathbb{G}'_2$  is roughly 15 times as expensive as in  $\mathbb{T}_0$ .
  - ▶ **Bandwidth:** Elements of  $\mathbb{G}'_2$  are 6 times larger than elements of  $\mathbb{T}_0$ .



# Existing *Status*

- ▶ Over all Type 3 is a better choice in terms of efficiency.
- ▶ Protocols are usually first described in symmetric setting (with a remark: can be instantiated in asymmetric setting).
- ▶ In asymmetric setting designers prefer Type 2 pairings instead of Type 3.
  - ▶ Perhaps due to the assertion [BLS:2001] that co-DHP\* is a stronger complexity assumption than co-DHP.
  - ▶ Or assuming that the desired functionality cannot be achieved in Type 3.

# Common belief

- ▶ [Pairings for cryptographers, 2008]: There exist many primitives in pairing-based cryptography whose security proof **does not** apply if the cryptosystem is implemented using a Type 3 pairing.
- ▶ Some researchers even assumed an oracle access to  $\psi$  for the security proof to go through in Type 3 settings.

# Two Questions

- ▶ Can we make any efficiency gain in Type 2 settings?
- ▶ What exact role  $\psi$  plays as far as the question of functionality and security of a protocol is concerned?

# Defining $\mathbb{G}_1$ , $\mathbb{T}_0$ and $\mathbb{G}'_2$

- ▶ Let  $P'_2$  be a random point in  $E[n] \setminus (\mathbb{G}_1 \cup \mathbb{T}_0)$ , set  $\mathbb{G}'_2 = \langle P'_2 \rangle$ .
- ▶ Define  $P_1 = \frac{1}{12} \text{Tr}(P'_2)$ ,  
 $\text{Tr}(Z) = \sum_{i=0}^{11} \pi^i(Z)$  where  $\pi : (x, y) \rightarrow (x^p, y^p)$ .
- ▶  $\psi : \mathbb{G}'_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1$ ,  $Q \rightarrow \frac{1}{12} \text{Tr}(Q)$  is an efficiently computable isomorphism.
- ▶ Set  $P_2 = c^{-1}(P'_2 - P_1)$  for some arbitrary  $c \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ .
- ▶  $P_2 \in \mathbb{T}_0$  and the mapping

$$\rho : \mathbb{G}'_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}_0, \quad Q \rightarrow Q - \psi(Q)$$

is an efficiently-computable isomorphism with  $\rho(P'_2) = cP_2$ .

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**Bandwidth:**  $\mathbb{G}'_2$  elements are **1.5** times larger than  $\mathbb{T}_0$  elements – was **6** times.

# Type 2 versus Type 3: DHP

- ▶ We have  $\mathbb{G}'_2 = \langle P'_2 \rangle$ ,  $P_2 = c^{-1}\rho(P'_2)$  and  $P_1 = \frac{1}{12}\text{Tr}(P'_2)$ .
- ▶ If  $c$  is *known* then co-DHP and co-DHP\* are *provably* equivalent.
- ▶ co-DHP  $\leq$  co-DHP\*:
  - ▶ Given  $(Q, zP'_2)$ , compute  $c^{-1}\rho(zP'_2) = zP_2$  and  $zP'_2 - czP_2 = zP_1$ .
  - ▶ Use a co-DHP\* solver to find the solution  $zQ$  of the co-DHP\* instance  $(Q, zP_1, zP_2)$ .
- ▶ co-DHP\*  $\leq$  co-DHP: Similar argument.
- ▶ If  $c$  is unknown, then co-DHP and co-DHP\* *appear* to be unrelated.

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$H : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1^*$  is a hash function.

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- ▶ Encrypt: To encrypt  $M \in \mathbb{G}_T$  to  $\text{ID}$  compute  $Q_{\text{ID}} = H(\text{ID})$ , choose  $r \in_R \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  and set:

$$C = \langle rP'_2, M \times e(Q_{\text{ID}}, P_{\text{pub}})^r \rangle$$

- ▶ Decrypt: To decrypt  $C = \langle U, V \rangle$  using  $d_{\text{ID}}$  compute

$$V \times e(d_{\text{ID}}, U)^{-1} = M.$$

Correctness:

$$e(d_{\text{ID}}, U) = e(sQ_{\text{ID}}, rP'_2) = e(Q_{\text{ID}}, sP'_2)^r = e(Q_{\text{ID}}, P_{\text{pub}})^r.$$

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# BF-IBE in asymmetric setting

- ▶ Can be instantiated in both Type 2 and Type 3.
  - ▶ Type 3 allows more efficient implementation.
  - ▶ The underlying complexity assumption was thought to be “somewhat unnatural”.
  - ▶ So Type 2 settings was suggested for implementation.
- ▶ (D)BDH in Type 3 is at least as hard as in Type 2.
  - ▶ Type 3 is overall a better choice for BF-IBE.

# Type 2 versus Type 3

More generally...

- ▶ Given *any* protocol, **Protocol-2**, described in Type 2 setting, and a security argument for **Protocol-2** wrt some hard problem  $\mathcal{P}$ -2, there is:
  - ▶ A *natural* transformation of **Protocol-2** to **Protocol-3** that uses a Type 3 pairing.
  - ▶ A *natural* transformation of  $\mathcal{P}$ -2 to  $\mathcal{P}$ -3.
  - ▶ A *natural* transformation of the security argument to one for **Protocol-3** wrt  $\mathcal{P}$ -3.
- ▶ **Protocol-3** is usually more efficient than **Protocol-2**.
- ▶  $\mathcal{P}$ -3 is at least as hard as  $\mathcal{P}$ -2 (for appropriately chosen parameters).

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# Type 4 Pairings



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$$e : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$$

- ▶  $\mathbb{G}_1$  and  $\mathbb{G}_T$  are cyclic groups of prime order  $n$ .
- ▶ *But*  $\mathbb{G}_2$  is a non-cyclic group of order  $n^2$ .
- ▶ One can efficiently compute the homomorphism  $\psi : \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1$ .
- ▶ One can hash onto  $\mathbb{G}_2$ .

# Why Type 4?

Consider the following ID-based Key Agreement Protocol [Scott]:

- ▶ Public hash function  $H : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_2$ .
- ▶ PKG has a master secret  $s \in_R [1, n - 1]$ .
- ▶ User A's pub. key is  $Q_A = H(ID_A)$  and PKG provides pvt. key  $d_A = sQ_A$ .
- ▶ Similarly, B's pub. key is  $Q_B = H(ID_B)$  and pvt. key  $d_B = sQ_B$ .
- ▶ A and B exchange some messages and compute a shared secret

$$K = e(\psi(Q_A), Q_B)^{sxy}.$$

# Type 4 Pairing from BN Curves

- ▶ Let  $\mathbb{G}_1 = E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  and  $\mathbb{G}_T$  be the order- $n$  subgroup of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}^*$ .
- ▶  $e_4 : \mathbb{G}_1 \times E[n] \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$  is a Type 4 pairing.
- ▶ Bitlength of (compressed) elements of  $\mathbb{G}_1$ : 257 and of  $E[n]$ : 3073.
- ▶  $\text{Tr}(P) = \sum_{i=0}^{11} \pi^i(P)$  is an efficiently computable homomorphism from  $E[n]$  to  $\mathbb{G}_1$ .
  - ▶  $\pi$  is the  $p$ -th power Frobenius.
- ▶ Hashing onto  $E[n]$  is possible *but* costly.
  - ▶ Roughly 540 times the cost of a point multiplication in  $\mathbb{G}_1$  [Chen-Cheng-Smart:2007].
  - ▶ Type 3 Pairing is around 10-times the cost of a point multiplication.
  - ▶ Hashing onto  $\mathbb{G}_1$  is very cheap.

# The Trace-0 Subgroup (*Recap.*)

- ▶  $E[n]$  contains  $n + 1$  subgroups of order  $n$ .
- ▶ One of them is  $\mathbb{G}_1$ .
- ▶ Another is the “Trace-0” subgroup,  $\mathbb{T}_0$ .
  - ▶ All points  $P \in E[n]$  satisfying  $\text{Tr}(P) = \sum_{i=0}^{11} \pi^i(P) = \infty$ .
- ▶  $\mathbb{T}_0$  can be viewed as having coordinates in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  (instead of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ ).
- ▶ Recall that we defined  $e_3 : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{T}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$ .

# Efficient Representation of $E[n]$

- ▶ Define  $\psi : E[n] \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1$  by  $\psi(Q) = \frac{1}{12} \text{Tr}(Q)$ .
  - ▶  $Q - \psi(Q) \in \mathbb{T}_0$  for all  $Q \in E[n]$ .
  - ▶  $\rho : Q \mapsto Q - \psi(Q)$  is a homomorphism from  $E[n]$  onto  $\mathbb{T}_0$ .
- ▶ Define  $\phi : E[n] \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{T}_0$  by  $\phi(Q) = (\psi(Q), \rho(Q))$ .
  - ▶  $\phi$  is an efficiently-computable isomorphism,
  - ▶ The inverse mapping, given by  $(Q_1, Q_2) \mapsto Q_1 + Q_2$ , is also efficiently computable.
- ▶ Wlg, elements of  $E[n]$  can be represented as pairs of points  $(Q_1, Q_2) \in \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{T}_0$ .

# Hashing onto $E[n]$

- ▶ Define  $H : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow E[n]$  as  $H(m) = (H_1(m), H_2(m))$ .
  - ▶  $H_1 : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_1$ .
  - ▶  $H_2 : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{T}_0$ .
- ▶ Significantly faster hashing onto  $E[n]$ .
  - ▶ Hashing onto  $\mathbb{G}_1$  and  $\mathbb{T}_0$  requires arithmetic in  $\mathbb{F}_p$  and  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ .
  - ▶ Less than 3 times as costly as a point multiplication in  $\mathbb{G}_1$ .
- ▶ Hashing into  $E[n]$  is 180 times less costly than previously estimated.
- ▶ If  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are modeled as random oracles, then  $H$  is also a random oracle.

# Type 4 Pairing from Type 3

- ▶ Let  $e_3 : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{T}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$  be a Type 3 pairing.
- ▶ Define  $e_4 : \mathbb{G}_1 \times E[n] \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$  by  $e_4(P, Q) = e_3(P, \hat{Q})$ , where  $\hat{Q} = Q - \pi^6(Q)$ .
  - ▶ If  $Q = (Q_1, Q_2)$ , then  $\hat{Q} = (\infty, 2Q_2)$ .
- ▶  $e_4$  is bilinear and can be computed in essentially the same time as  $e_3$ .
- ▶  $e_4$  is non-degenerate:
  1.  $\forall P \in \mathbb{G}_1 \setminus \{\infty\}, \exists Q \in E[n]$  s.t.  $e_4(P, Q) \neq 1$ .
  2.  $\forall Q \in E[n] \setminus \mathbb{G}_1, \exists P \in \mathbb{G}_1$  s.t.  $e_4(P, Q) \neq 1$ .

# Comparison

$E/\mathbb{F}_p : Y^2 = X^2 + 3$  with BN parameters  $z = 6000000000001F2D$ .

	Type 3	Type 4
Bitlength of elements in $\mathbb{G}_1$	257	257
Bitlength of elements in $\mathbb{T}_0/E[n]$	513	770
Bitlength of elements in $\mathbb{G}_T$	1,024	1,024
Exponentiation in $\mathbb{G}_1$	1,533 <i>m</i>	1,533 <i>m</i>
Exponentiation in $\mathbb{T}_0/E[n]$	3,052 <i>m</i>	4,585 <i>m</i>
Hashing into $\mathbb{G}_1$	315 <i>m</i>	315 <i>m</i>
Hashing into $\mathbb{T}_0/E[n]$	3,726 <i>m</i>	4,041 <i>m</i>
Pairing	15,175 <i>m</i>	15,175 <i>m</i>

(Estimated costs are in terms of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  multiplications.)



# Protocols in Type 4

- ▶ Consider Type 4 setting only when
  - ▶ The protocol requires hashing into  $\mathbb{G}_2$ .
  - ▶ Then apply  $\psi$  on the hash output.
- ▶ Remember  $\mathbb{G}_2 = E[n]$  has order  $n^2$ .
  - ▶ May affect functionality and security in a critical way.

# Group Signature

- ▶ Every member has a secret key but there is a single public key for the whole group.
- ▶ Group signatures provide signer-anonymity.
- ▶ Revocation of a user may be critical for some applications.

# Boneh-Shacham Group Signature

- ▶ BS group signature allows a verifier to locally check whether the given signature is generated by a revoked user.
  - ▶ Verifier-local revocation (VLR) group signature.
  - ▶ The signature length is *short*.
  - ▶ Application: privacy preserving attestation.
- ▶ Can be implemented in Type 1 but *not* in Type 2 or Type 3.
- ▶ The first protocol for which Type 4 setting was introduced [Shacham:2005].

# The BS-VLR Protocol

Some essentials:

- ▶ Employs a Type 4 pairing  $e_4 : \mathbb{G}_1 \times E[n] \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$ .
- ▶ Two hash functions (treated as random oracle):
  - ▶  $H_0 : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow E[n] \times E[n]$ .
  - ▶  $H : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow [1, n - 1]$ .
- ▶ Group public key,  $gpk = (P_1, P_2, W)$  where  $P_2 \in_R E[n]$ ,  $P_1 = \psi(P_2)$  and  $W = \gamma P_2$ ,  $\gamma \in_R [1, n - 1]$ .
- ▶ Pvt. key of user  $i$ ,  $gsk[i] = (A_i, x_i)$ , where  $x_i \in_R [1, n - 1]$  and  $A_i = (\gamma + x_i)^{-1} P_1$ .
  - ▶ The corresponding revocation token is  $A_i$ .

# Signing and Verification

The protocol is quite involved.

- ▶ To sign  $i$  computes:
  - ▶  $(\hat{U}, \hat{V}) = H_0(gpk, M, r)$  where  $M$  is the message and  $r \in_R [1, n - 1]$ .
  - ▶  $U = \psi(\hat{U})$  and  $V = \psi(\hat{V})$ .
  - ▶  $T_1 = \alpha U$  and  $T_2 = A_i + \alpha V$ , where  $\alpha \in_R [1, n - 1]$ .
  - ▶ Compute helper values  $R_1, R_2, R_3$ .
  - ▶ Challenge value,  $c = H(gpk, M, r, T_1, T_2, R_1, R_2, R_3)$ .
  - ▶  $\sigma$  contains  $r, T_1, T_2, c$  and three randomizers (to rederive  $R_1, R_2, R_3$ ).
- ▶  $\sigma$  is accepted as valid if  $c$  is a correct challenge *and* the signer is not revoked.

# Revocation Check in BS-VLR Group Signature

- ▶ A list of revocation tokens (RL) corresponding to the revoked users is publicly available.
- ▶ Suppose the signature ( $\sigma$ ) is generated by a user  $i$  whose revocation token  $A_i$  is in RL.
- ▶ The correctness of the protocol mandates that  $\sigma$  must be rejected.

# Revocation Check

- ▶ The protocol stipulates that  $\sigma$  will be rejected since:

$$e_4(T_2 - A_i, \hat{U}) = e_4(T_1, \hat{V}) \quad (1)$$

- ▶  $(\hat{U}, \hat{V}) = H_0(gpk, M, r) \in E[n] \times E[n]$ .
- ▶  $T_1 = \alpha U$  and  $T_2 = A_i + \alpha V$ , where  $U = \psi(\hat{U})$  and  $V = \psi(\hat{V})$ .

- ▶ So Eqn. 1 can be rewritten as:

$$e_4(\alpha V, \hat{U}) = e_4(\alpha U, \hat{V}) \quad (2)$$

- ▶ Trivially holds *if* both  $\hat{U}, \hat{V}$  are from same order- $n$  subgroup of  $E[n]$ .
  - ▶ Write  $\hat{U} = x\hat{V}$  (and  $U = xV$ ).

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- ▶ The protocol is **not** secure!
  - ▶ So also the protocols that extend the idea of BS-VLR group signature.
    - ▶ Nakanishi and Funabiki [2006].
    - ▶ Bringer et al. [2008].

# What's Wrong with the Security Argument?

- ▶ Security mandates that the protocol satisfies **correctness**, **traceability** and **selfless-anonymity** properties.
- ▶ Fails to satisfy the correctness property when we work in  $E[n]$ .
  - ▶ By implication the traceability property is violated.
- ▶ The arguments hold *if* we restrict to a order- $n$  subgroup of  $E[n]$ .
  - ▶ Not instantiable in Type 2 or Type 3 settings.
  - ▶ Can be instantiated in Type 1, *but* the signature is no longer short.

# Rescuing BS-VLR Scheme

Essential idea:

- ▶ For random  $\hat{U}, \hat{V} \in E[n]$  in general one cannot expect

$$e\left(\alpha\psi(\hat{V}), \hat{U}\right) = e\left(\alpha\psi(\hat{U}), \hat{V}\right).$$

- ▶ But *bilinearity* of  $e$  ensures

$$e\left(\alpha\psi(\hat{V}), \hat{U}\right) = e\left(\psi(\hat{V}), \alpha\hat{U}\right).$$

- ▶ Revocation check works properly if we send  $\hat{T}_1 = \alpha\hat{U} \in E[n]$  instead of  $T_1 \in \mathbb{G}_1$  as part of  $\sigma$ .
  - ▶ For each  $A \in \text{RL}$  check whether the following holds:

$$e(T_2 - A, \hat{U}) = e(V, \hat{T}_1).$$

# Modified BS-VLR

- ▶ Key generation algorithm remains unchanged.
- ▶ Define  $H_0 : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow E[n] \times \mathbb{G}_1$ .
- ▶ To sign, compute  $(\hat{U}, V) = H_0(gpk, M, r)$  and  $\hat{T}_1 = \alpha \hat{U}$ .
  - ▶ Use  $\hat{T}_1$  and  $\hat{U}$  to compute  $R_3$  and  $\hat{T}_1$  to compute  $c$ .
  - ▶ Send  $\hat{T}_1 \in E[n]$  (not  $T_1 \in \mathbb{G}_1$ ) as part of  $\sigma$ .
- ▶ To verify:
  - ▶ Use  $\hat{T}_1, \hat{U}$  to rederive  $R_3$ .
  - ▶ Use  $T_1 = \psi(\hat{T}_1)$  to rederive  $R_1$ .
  - ▶ Use  $\hat{T}_1$  to rederive  $c$ .
  - ▶ Use  $\hat{T}_1$  in revocation check.
- ▶ The signature now contains an element of  $E[n]$ .
  - ▶ With the new representation, the increase in signature length is only **513** bits.

# Is the Protocol Secure?

It appears so!

- ▶ Correctness is easy to check.
- ▶ The original argument concerning traceability should also carry over.
- ▶ But the selfless-anonymity argument requires some twists!
  - ▶ The original argument is flawed.
  - ▶ Concerns a proper simulation of  $H_0$ .
  - ▶ Must ensure that each query to  $H_0$  returns a random element from  $E[n]$ .
- ▶ The new representation of  $E[n]$  comes to the rescue.

# Selfless-Anonymity

Essential idea:

- ▶ Decision Linear problem:  
Given  $(U_0, U_1, aU_0, bU_1, V, Z)$  where  $U_0, U_1 \in_R E[n]$ ,  
 $a, b \in_R [1, n-1]$ , decide whether  $Z = (a + b)V$  or  $Z \in_R \mathbb{G}_1$ .
- ▶ In the original argument, the RO output  $\hat{U}$  is restricted to the order- $n$  subgroup  $\langle U_0 \rangle$ .
  - ▶ For a proper simulation  $\hat{U}$  must be a random element of  $E[n]$ .
- ▶ Represent  $U_0 = (U_{0,1}, U_{0,2}) \in \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{T}_0$ .
- ▶ From  $U_0$  one can derive another random element in  $E[n]$  as  $\tilde{U}_0 = (U_{0,1}, xU_{0,2})$  where  $x \in_R [1, n-1]$ .
- ▶ Allows a proper simulation of the RO and also to patch the signature component  $\hat{T}_1$  appropriately.

# Protocols w/o Random Oracle

# Identity-Based Encryption

- ▶ Waters 2005:
  - ▶ Security is based on DBDH.
  - ▶ Rather large public parameters.
  - ▶ Reduction is *not* tight.
- ▶ Gentry 2006:
  - ▶ Simple construction with constant size public parameter.
  - ▶ Tight security reduction...*but* based on non-static, non-standard assumption (decisional  $q$ -ABDHE).



# Dual system encryption

[Waters 2009]

- ▶ Constant size public parameters.
- ▶ Security based on static assumptions (DBDH and DLIN).
- ▶ Reduction is not tight.
- ▶ Polynomial degradation for hierarchical IBE.

# A variant of Waters IBE

$$e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T, \mathbb{G} = \langle P \rangle$$

ID:  $\ell$  blocks of  $k/\ell$ -bits.

- ▶ **Set-Up:** Choose random  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  and  $P, P_2, U', U_1, \dots, U_n$  from  $\mathbb{G}$ .  
Set  $xP = P_1$ .  
msk:  $xP_2$  and PP =  $(P, P_1, P_2, U', U_1, \dots, U_\ell)$ .
- ▶ **Key-Gen:** ID =  $(ID_1, \dots, ID_\ell)$ ,  $ID_i$  is a block of  $k/\ell$ -bits.

$$d_{ID} = (xP_2 + rV, rP) \quad \text{where}$$

$$V = U' + \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} ID_i U_i.$$

## Waters IBE (Contd.)

$$V(\text{ID}) = U' + \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \text{id}_i U_i; \quad \text{ID} = (\text{id}_1, \dots, \text{id}_\ell)$$

- ▶ **Encrypt:**  $M \in \mathbb{G}_T$  encrypted for ID as

$$C = (e(P_1, P_2)^t \times M, tP, tV).$$

- ▶ **Decrypt:** Decrypt  $C = (C_1, C_2, C_3)$  using  $d_{\text{ID}} = (d_1, d_2)$  as

$$C_1 \times \frac{e(d_2, C_3)}{e(d_1, C_2)}.$$

Correctness:

$$\frac{e(d_2, C_3)}{e(d_1, C_2)} = \frac{e(rP, tV)}{e(xP_2 + rV, tP)} = \frac{1}{e(P_1, P_2)^t}$$

# Signature

- ▶ Boneh-Boyen *short* signature [2004].
- ▶ Waters signature [2005].
  - ▶ Obtained through Naor's transformation on Waters IBE.
  - ▶ Security is based on CDH.

# Boneh-Boyen Signature

- ▶ **Key-Gen:**  $P_1 \in_R \mathbb{G}_1$  and  $P_2 \in_R \mathbb{G}_2$ ,  $x, y \in_R \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ , compute  $U = xP_2$ ,  $V = yP_2$  and  $Z = e(P_1, P_2)$ . Pub. key:  $(P_1, P_2, U, V, Z)$  and sec. key:  $(x, y)$ .
- ▶ **Signing:** Given sk:  $(x, y)$  and mesg.  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ ; pick  $r \in_R \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ , compute  $\sigma = 1/(x + m + yr)P_1$ . The signature is  $(\sigma, r)$ .
- ▶ **Verification:** Given pk =  $(P_1, P_2, U, V, Z)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$  and  $(\sigma, r)$ , accept iff

$$e(\sigma, U + mP_2 + rV) = Z.$$

Correctness:

$$e(\sigma, U + mP_2 + rV) = e(1/(x + m + yr)P_1, (x + m + ry)P_2) = e(P_1, P_2).$$

Security is based on a non-static assumption: strong  $q$ -DH.

The question of equivalence...

# Pairing over composite order groups

$$e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$$

$|\mathbb{G}| = |\mathbb{G}_T| = pq$ ,  $(p, q)$ : secret (prime).

- ▶ Introduced by Boneh-Goh-Nissim [2005].
  - ▶ Homomorphic encryption.
  - ▶ Private Information Retrieval.
- ▶ Non-interactive zero knowledge [Groth-Sahai 2008].
- ▶ Hierarchical IBE [Lewko-Waters 2010].
- ▶ Traitor tracing, attribute-based encryption...

# Composite order setting

- ▶ Subgroup decision assumption:
  - ▶ Given  $P \in \mathbb{G}$  decide whether  $P$  is of order  $p$ .
  - ▶  $n(= pq)$  must be infeasible to factor.
- ▶ [Freeman:2010] A framework to convert protocols from composite to prime order groups.
  - ▶ [Meiklejohn-Shacham-Freeman:2010] Not all protocols can be so converted.
- ▶ [Boneh-Rubin-Silverberg:2009] Composite order pairing-friendly groups.
- ▶ [Koblitz:2010] “A Security Weakness in Composite-Order Pairing-Based Protocols with Imbedding Degree  $k > 2$ .”

# Research directions

- ▶ Protocols
  - ▶ Design new protocols, e.g., employ the dual-system encryption paradigm.
  - ▶ Improve existing ones.
- ▶ Introduce a new pairing or pairing-friendly curves.
- ▶ Efficient implementation of pairing (and protocols).
  - ▶ From 16 min. to less than a millisecond...
- ▶ Analyse pairing-based protocols in terms of *functionality, security and efficiency*.
- ▶ Move to higher genus.
  - ▶ Some work has appeared for Genus-2 pairing.



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- ▶ Sit back and relax...
  - ▶ I guess there will be another tutorial on Pairing-Based Crypto at Indocrypt 2018.

## In *lieu* of a conclusion

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high  
Where knowledge is free  
Where the world has not been broken up into fragments  
By narrow domestic walls  
Where words come out from the depthsof truth  
Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection  
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way  
Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit  
Where the mind is led forward by thee  
Into ever-widening thought and action  
Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.