

# An $\ell$ -adic CM method for genus 2

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# Moduli of Genus 2 Curves

A genus 2 curve  $X/k$  (in  $\text{char}(k) = \ell \neq 2$ ) is defined by a Weierstrass equation

$$y^2 = f(x),$$

where  $f(x)$  is a polynomial of degree 6. Over an algebraic closure, we have

$$X : f(x) = \prod_{i=1}^6 (x - u_i).$$

The points  $(u_i, 0)$  are then both the Weierstrass points and the fixed points of the hyperelliptic involution. ■

The absolute *Igusa invariants*  $(j_1, j_2, j_3)$  of  $X$  are defined either in terms of  $f(x)$  or, equivalently, by symmetric functions on the set  $\{u_i\}$ . ■

N.B. The projective Igusa invariants are weighted invariants  $J_2, J_4, J_6, J_8, J_{10}$ , where

$$4J_8 = J_2J_6 - J_4^2$$

and  $J_{10}$  is the discriminant of  $f(x)$ . The absolute invariants are defined by

$$j_1 = \frac{J_2^5}{J_{10}}, \quad j_2 = \frac{J_2^3 J_4}{J_{10}}, \quad j_3 = \frac{J_2^2 J_6}{J_{10}}.$$

The triple  $(j_1, j_2, j_3)$  determines a point of the moduli space  $\mathcal{M}_2$  of genus 2 curves, a space birational to  $\mathbb{A}^3$ .

# Moduli of Genus 2 Curves with Level Structure

Beginning with the curve  $X : y^2 = \prod(x - u_i)$  as above, a linear fractional transformation of the  $x$ -line  $\mathbb{P}^1$  sends three of the  $u_i$  to 0, 1, and  $\infty$ . This determines an isomorphism with a curve in *Rosenhain* from:

$$y^2 = x(x - 1)(x - t_0)(x - t_1)(x - t_2).$$

The triple  $(t_0, t_1, t_2)$  is determined by an ordering on the Weierstrass points, and such a linear fractional transformation. The Weierstrass points generate the 2-torsion subgroup, and an ordered 6-tuple of Weierstrass points determines a full 2-level structure on the Jacobian of  $X$ .

N.B. A map  $\mathcal{M}_g \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_g$ , from the moduli space of genus  $g$  curve to the moduli space of principally polarised abelian varieties of dimension  $g$  is induced by sending a curve to its Jacobian. The map to  $\mathcal{A}_g$  allows us to define moduli spaces of curves together with a level structure on their Jacobians.

For  $g = 2$  this map is a birational isomorphism, and we identify the triple  $(t_0, t_1, t_2)$  with a point in the moduli space  $\mathcal{M}_2(2)$ , classifying genus 2 curves together with a full 2-level structure. The forgetful morphism

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_2(2) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_2 \\ (t_0, t_1, t_2) &\longmapsto (j_1, j_2, j_3) \end{aligned}$$

is a Galois covering of degree 720, with Galois group  $S_6 \cong \mathrm{Sp}_4(\mathbb{F}_2)$ . The former group naturally acts on the Weierstrass points (the first three of which must then be renormalised to  $(0, 1, \infty)$ ).

The isomorphic group  $\mathrm{Sp}_4(\mathbb{F}_2)$  is that which naturally acts on the 2-torsion subgroup.

# The Richelot Correspondence

Given a genus two curve

$$X_1 : y^2 = G_0(x)G_1(x)G_2(x)$$

where each  $G_i(x)$  has degree at most 2, we define a second curve

$$X_2 : t^2 = \delta H_0(z)H_1(z)H_2(z),$$

by the equations

$$H_i(x) = G'_{i+1}(x)G_{i+2}(x) - G_{i+1}(x)G'_{i+2}(x),$$

and an explicit constant  $\delta$ . Then there exists a *Richelot correspondence*

$$C \longrightarrow X_1 \times X_2,$$

where the curve  $C$  is defined by

$$C : \begin{cases} G_0(x)H_0(z) + G_1(x)H_1(z) = 0, \\ y^2 = G_0(x)G_1(x)G_2(x), \\ t^2 = \delta H_0(z)H_1(z)H_2(z), \\ yt = G_0(x)H_0(z)(x - z). \end{cases}$$

The correspondence determines a  $(2, 2)$ -isogeny  $J_1 \rightarrow J_2$  of Jacobians. More importantly from our point of view, it will let us determine a correspondence of moduli:

$$\mathcal{X} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_2(2) \times \mathcal{M}_2(2).$$

# The Richelot Correspondence on Moduli

Associated to a point  $(t_0, t_1, t_2) \in \mathcal{M}_2(2)$ , we can write down a curve

$$X_1 : y^2 = f(x) = x(x-1)(x-t_0)(x-t_1)(x-t_2).$$

■ A Richelot isogeny is determined setting  $f(x) = G_0(x)G_1(x)G_2(x)$ , where the  $G_i(x)$  are:

$$G_0(x) = x(x-t_0), \quad G_1(x) = (x-1)(x-t_1), \quad G_2(x) = x-t_2.$$

■ The curve  $X_2 : y^2 = \delta H_0(x)H_1(x)H_2(x)$  is then determined by the triple of polynomials:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0(x) &= x^2 - 2t_2x + t_1t_2 - t_1 + t_2, \\ H_1(x) &= -(x^2 - 2t_2x + t_0t_2), \\ H_2(x) &= (t_0 - t_1 - 1)x^2 + 2t_1x - t_0t_1, \end{aligned}$$

and  $\delta = t_0t_2 - t_1t_2 + t_1 - t_2$ . ■

Let  $(u_0, u_1, u_2)$  be a triple of solutions to  $H_i(u_i) = 0$ , and set

$$(v_0, v_1, v_2) = (2t_2 - u_0, 2t_2 - u_1, 2t_1/(t_0 - t_1 - 1) - u_2)$$

equal to the conjugate solutions. ■ Then

$$X_2 : y^2 = \delta H_0(z)H_1(z)H_2(z) = \delta \prod_{i=0}^2 (x - u_i)(x - v_i),$$

and a linear fraction transformation sending  $(u_0, u_1, u_2)$  to  $(0, 1, \infty)$ , maps  $(v_0, v_1, v_2)$  to a new triple  $(s_0, s_1, s_2) \in \mathcal{M}_2(2)$ .

# The Richelot Modular Correspondence

We summarise by writing down the defining set of polynomials for the previous correspondence.

First we have the relations between the  $t_i$ 's and  $u_i$ 's:

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_0(T_0, T_1, T_2, U_0, U_1, U_2) &= U_0^2 - 2T_2U_0 + T_1T_2 - T_1 + T_2, \\ \Phi_1(T_0, T_1, T_2, U_1) &= U_1^2 - 2T_2U_1 + T_0T_2, \\ \Phi_2(T_0, T_1, T_2, U_2) &= (T_0 - T_1 - 1)U_2^2 + 2T_1U_2 - T_0T_1.\end{aligned}$$

That is, we find  $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_2(2) \times \mathbb{A}^3$

$$\Phi(x, u) = (\Phi_0(x, u), \Phi_1(x, u), \Phi_2(x, u)) = (0, 0, 0).$$

where  $x = (t_0, t_1, t_2)$  and  $u = (u_0, u_1, u_2)$ . Then we define the second projection to  $\mathcal{M}_2(2)$ :

$$\psi : \mathcal{M}_2(2) \times \mathbb{A}^3 \xrightarrow{\psi} \mathcal{M}_2(2)$$

by letting  $\psi$  be the map  $((t_0, t_1, t_2), (u_0, u_1, u_2)) \mapsto (u_0, u_1, u_2, v_0, v_1, v_2)$ , followed by the transformation

$$(s_0, s_1, s_2) = (S(v_0), S(v_1), S(v_3)), \text{ where } S(z) = \frac{(u_1 - u_2)(z - u_0)}{(u_1 - u_0)(z - u_2)}.$$

Then the image of  $\mathcal{X}$  in  $\mathcal{M}_2(2) \times \mathbb{A}^3 \times \mathcal{M}_2(2)$  is defined by

$$\Phi_i(T_0, T_1, T_2, U_0, U_1, U_2) = \Psi_j(T_0, T_1, T_2, U_0, U_1, U_2, S_j) = 0.$$

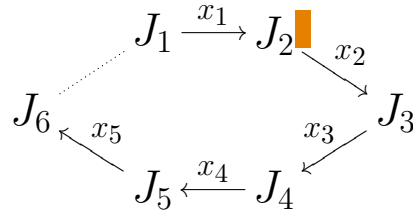
# The Richelot Modular Correspondence

In summary, for  $(x, u, y) \in \mathcal{M}_2(2) \times \mathbb{A}^3 \times \mathcal{M}_2(2)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(x, u) &= (\Phi_0(x, u), \Phi_1(x, u), \Phi_2(x, u)) = (0, 0, 0), \\ \Psi(x, u, y) &= (\Psi_0(x, u, y), \Psi_0(x, u, y), \Psi_0(x, u, y)) = (0, 0, 0),\end{aligned}$$

whose zero set  $\mathcal{X}$  admits two finite covers of  $\mathcal{M}_2(2)$ . ■

We are interested in pairs  $x = (t_0, t_1, t_2)$  and  $y = (s_0, s_1, s_2)$  such that  $y = x^\sigma$  for some automorphism  $\sigma$  of the base field  $k$ . ■ We then set  $x_i = x$  and  $x_{i+1} = y$ . ■ Since each  $x_i$  corresponds to a Richelot isogeny  $J_i \rightarrow J_{i+1}$ , ■ the Galois action determines a cycle of isogenies: ■



■ In fact, with the map  $\psi$  as defined above, the point  $y = (s_0, s_1, s_2)$  determines the dual isogeny, which can only be the Galois conjugate of  $x = (t_0, t_1, t_2)$  if it determines a 2-cycle: ■

$$J_1 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{x} \\ \xleftarrow{y} \end{array} J_2 \blacksquare$$

■ Instead we modify  $\psi$ , and  $\Psi_i$ , by composing with a permutation of  $(u_0, u_1, u_2, v_0, v_1, v_2)$  to find a Galois conjugate 2-level structure. ■ This corresponds to an isomorphism of the curve

$$X_2 : y^2 = \delta x(x - 1)(x - s_0)(x - s_1)(x - s_2),$$

to another in Rosenhain form.

# Canonical Lifting

Suppose that  $A/k$  is an ordinary, simple abelian variety over a finite field of characteristic  $\ell$ . Let  $R$  be the unramified extension of  $\mathbb{Z}_\ell$  such that  $[R : \mathbb{Z}_\ell] = [k : \mathbb{F}_\ell]$ . A *canonical lift* is an abelian variety  $\tilde{A}/R$  such that

$$\tilde{A}/R \times_R k = A/k \text{ and } \text{End}(\tilde{A}) = \text{End}(A).$$

The main theorem of complex multiplication describes the relation between (certain) ideal classes of a maximal order  $O_K$ , isogenies of an abelian variety  $A/\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  with  $\text{End}(A) = O_K$ , and the action of Galois on the conjugates of  $A$ .

We say that an isogeny  $\varphi$  *splits*  $A[n]$  if  $\ker(\varphi)$  is a proper subgroup of  $A[n]$  and  $\ker(\varphi) \not\subseteq A[m]$  for any  $m \mid n$ . The canonical lift of  $A/k$  is determined by:

- A cycle of isogenies  $\tilde{A}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{A}_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \tilde{A}_r \rightarrow \tilde{A}_1$  with  $\tilde{A}_1 \times_R k = A$  such that the compositum is an endomorphism of  $\tilde{A}_1$  whose kernel splits  $\tilde{A}_1[n]$ ; or
- An isogeny  $\varphi : \tilde{A}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{A}_2$  with  $\tilde{A}_1 \times_R k = A$  such that  $\tilde{A}_2 = \tilde{A}_1^\sigma$  with  $\ker(\varphi)$  splitting  $\tilde{A}_1[n]$ .

The latter condition, exploiting the Galois action, yields a better algorithmic solution to the construction of the canonical lift. As a constructive CM method, we only need to solve for the canonical lift of a moduli point in  $\mathcal{M}_2(R)$ , and solve a system of equations  $\Phi(x, x^\sigma) = 0$  for  $x \in \mathcal{M}_2(R)$ .



# Canonical Lifts of Moduli

Recall that we derived a set of defining equations in  $\mathcal{M}_2(2) \times \mathbb{A}^3 \times \mathcal{M}_2(2)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(x, u) &= (\Phi_0(x, u), \Phi_1(x, u), \Phi_2(x, u)) = (0, 0, 0), \\ \Psi(x, u, y) &= (\Psi_0(x, u, y), \Psi_0(x, u, y), \Psi_0(x, u, y)) = (0, 0, 0),\end{aligned}$$

where

$$x = (t_0, t_1, t_2) \in \mathcal{M}_2(2), \quad u = (u_0, u_1, u_2) \in \mathbb{A}^3, \quad y = (s_0, s_1, s_2) \in \mathcal{M}_2(2).$$

In order to preserve the simplicity of these defining equations, we refrain from eliminating  $u \in \mathbb{A}^3$  to find relations only in  $\mathcal{M}_2(2) \times \mathcal{M}_2(2)$ . Also we work with moduli in  $\mathcal{M}_2(2)(R)$ , with 2-level structure, rather than  $\mathcal{M}_2(R)$ , and only afterwards compute the image under  $\mathcal{M}_2(2) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_2$ .

We can solve this system of equations by Hensel's Lemma, first for  $u$ , given  $x$ , such that

$$\Phi(x, u) = (0, 0, 0),$$

and then for  $y$  satisfying

$$\Psi(x, u, y) = (0, 0, 0).$$

However, the resulting  $y$  need not converge to  $x^\sigma$ . For this purpose we adapt a method of Harley from the one-dimensional setting (of moduli of genus 1 curves) to higher dimension.

# The Method of Harley

In the one-dimensional setting, Harley developed a means of solving a generalised  $p$ -adic AGM recursion, determined by a geometric correspondence of moduli:

$$\Phi(x, x^\sigma) = 0,$$

where  $\sigma$  is the Frobenius automorphism. In particular, if  $x$  is such a solution, and  $x_i \equiv x \pmod{p^i}$ , then we set

$$\delta = \frac{1}{p^i}(x - x_i).$$

We observe that

$$\frac{1}{p^i}\Phi(x_i, y_i) + \delta \Phi_x(x_i, x_i^\sigma) + \delta^\sigma \Phi_x(x_i, x_i^\sigma) \equiv \Phi(x, y) \pmod{p^i} \equiv 0 \pmod{p^i}.$$

Thus it comes down to determining  $\delta$  such that

$$\delta^\sigma \alpha + \delta \beta + \gamma = 0 \pmod{p^i}.$$

The additional condition  $v_p(\beta) > 0$  implies that a unique  $p$ -adic solution is determined. ■

N.B. Such an equation  $\Phi(x, y) = 0$  arises as the defining equations for the image modular curve

$$X_0(Np) \longrightarrow X_0(N) \times X_0(N),$$

where  $X_0(N)$  is a modular curve of genus 0.

# Generalised Method of Harley

In place of a single modular equation  $\Phi(x, x^\sigma) = 0$ , we need to generalise the method to the multivariate setting. For a solution  $(x, u, y)$  with  $y = x^\sigma$  to the system of equations

$$\Phi(x, u) = \Psi(x, u, y) = 0,$$

we set  $x_i \equiv x \pmod{\ell^i}$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{\ell^i} \Phi(x_i, u_i) + \Delta_x \cdot D_x \Phi(x_i, u_i) + \Delta_u \cdot D_u \Phi(x_i, u_i) \equiv 0 \pmod{\ell^i},$$

where

$$\Delta_x = \frac{1}{\ell^i}(x - x_i) \text{ and } \Delta_u = \frac{1}{\ell^i}(u - u_i),$$

and

$$D_x \Phi(x, u) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \Phi_0(x, u)}{\partial t_0} & \frac{\partial \Phi_1(x, u)}{\partial t_0} & \frac{\partial \Phi_2(x, u)}{\partial t_0} \\ \frac{\partial \Phi_0(x, u)}{\partial t_1} & \frac{\partial \Phi_1(x, u)}{\partial t_1} & \frac{\partial \Phi_2(x, u)}{\partial t_1} \\ \frac{\partial \Phi_0(x, u)}{\partial t_2} & \frac{\partial \Phi_1(x, u)}{\partial t_2} & \frac{\partial \Phi_2(x, u)}{\partial t_2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } D_u \Phi(x, u) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \Phi_0(x, u)}{\partial u_0} & \frac{\partial \Phi_1(x, u)}{\partial u_0} & \frac{\partial \Phi_2(x, u)}{\partial u_0} \\ \frac{\partial \Phi_0(x, u)}{\partial u_1} & \frac{\partial \Phi_1(x, u)}{\partial u_1} & \frac{\partial \Phi_2(x, u)}{\partial u_1} \\ \frac{\partial \Phi_0(x, u)}{\partial u_2} & \frac{\partial \Phi_1(x, u)}{\partial u_2} & \frac{\partial \Phi_2(x, u)}{\partial u_2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

And also

$$\frac{1}{p^i} \Psi(x_i, u_i, x_i^\sigma) + \Delta_x \cdot D_x \Psi(x_i, u_i, x_i^\sigma) + \Delta_u \cdot D_u \Psi(x_i, u_i, x_i^\sigma) + \Delta_x^\sigma \cdot D_y \Psi(x_i, u_i, x_i^\sigma) \equiv 0 \pmod{p^i},$$

where  $D_x \Psi$ ,  $D_u \Psi$ , and  $D_y \Psi$  are the similarly defined Jacobian matrices.

# Generalised Method of Harley

We solve for  $u_i$  such that  $\Phi(x_i, u_i) \equiv 0 \pmod{\ell^{2i}}$ , then, assuming  $D_u\Phi$  is invertible, we may eliminate  $\Delta_u$  to find an equation

$$\Delta_x^\sigma \cdot A + \Delta_x \cdot B + C \equiv 0 \pmod{\ell^i}.$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A &= D_y\Psi, \\ B &= D_x\Psi - D_x\Phi D_u\Phi^{-1}D_u\Psi, \\ C &= \frac{1}{\ell^i}(\Psi) - \frac{1}{\ell^i}(\Phi)D_u\Phi^{-1}D_u\Psi \equiv \frac{1}{\ell^i}(\Psi) \pmod{\ell^i} \end{aligned}$$

We apply this for input  $x_i$ , correct to precision  $\ell^i$ , and  $u_i$  such that  $\Phi(x_i, u_i) = 0$ . This provides a matrix equation which we can solve for the deficiency  $\Delta_x \pmod{\ell^i}$ , and set  $x_{i+1} = x_i + \ell^i\Delta_x$ .

We note that when  $B \not\equiv 0 \pmod{\ell}$ , there will generally be multiple solutions to the matrix equation, and we must determine which solution extends to the canonical lift.

This gives a convergent Hensel lifting algorithm for the CM moduli, in which precision doubles with each iteration.

An algebraic relation can be recovered over  $\mathbb{Z}$  by means of LLL reduction of the lattice dependency relations between powers of  $j_1$ ,  $j_2$ , and  $j_3$ .

## A 3-Adic Example

Let  $\mathbb{F}_{27} = \mathbb{F}_3[w]/(w^3 - w + 1)$ , and set  $x = (t_0, t_1, t_2) = (w^{14}, w^8, 2)$ , determining a Galois cycle of length 3. The point  $y = (s_0, s_1, s_2) = (w^{16}, w^{24}, 2)$  is the image of  $x$  under Frobenius, and defines a second curve related to the first by a Richelot correspondence. Then the 3-adic lifts of these invariants map to a triple of absolute Igusa invariants  $(j_1, j_2, j_3)$ , satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned} &10460353203j_1^6 - 20644606194972313680j_1^5 + \\ &1584797903444725069000181184j_1^4 - \\ &57934203669971774729663594299868672j_1^3 - \\ &475721039936395998603032571096726185115648j_1^2 - \\ &2319410019701066580457483440392962776928771637248j_1 - \\ &1633610752539414651637667693318669910064037028972986368, \\ &19683j_2^6 - 3154427913690j_2^5 + 13018458284705642175j_2^4 - \\ &9011847196705020909893875j_2^3 - \\ &46912922512338152998837057320000j_2^2 + \\ &13719344346806722534193757175744000000j_2 - \\ &42517234157035811590789580667261104128000000, \\ &531441j_3^6 - 80079819760854j_3^5 + 681652231356458824713j_3^4 - \\ &1621537231026449336569333993j_3^3 - \\ &1566137192004297839675972173376896j_3^2 - \\ &1479377322341359891148215922582439772160j_3 - \\ &939937021370655707607384087330217698726510592. \end{aligned}$$