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# Efficient Implementation of ECC

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# ECC

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- Neal Koblitz and Victor S. Miller ,1985
- Wide use, 2004-2005
  
- ECC application
  - ▣ Digital Signature
  - ▣ Key Agreement
  - ▣ Random Number Generator

# Why ECC?

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## □ Elgamal

### □ Pollard's Rho, Shank

- 80 bits Security, 160

### □ Index-calculus

- 80 bits Security, 1024

## □ ECC

### □ Pollard's Rho, Shank

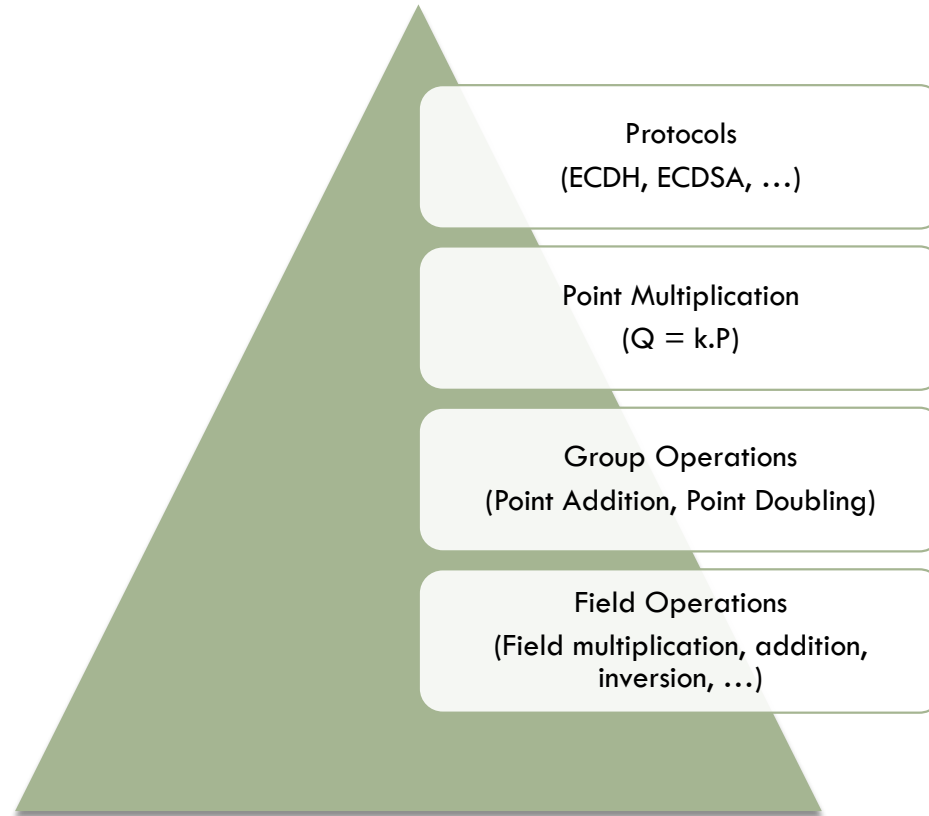
- 80 bits Security, 160

### □ Index-calculus

- Not working

# ECC Operation

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Introduction

ECC Operations

Efficiency

Efficient Field  
Operations

Efficient Group  
Operation

Lightweight PM

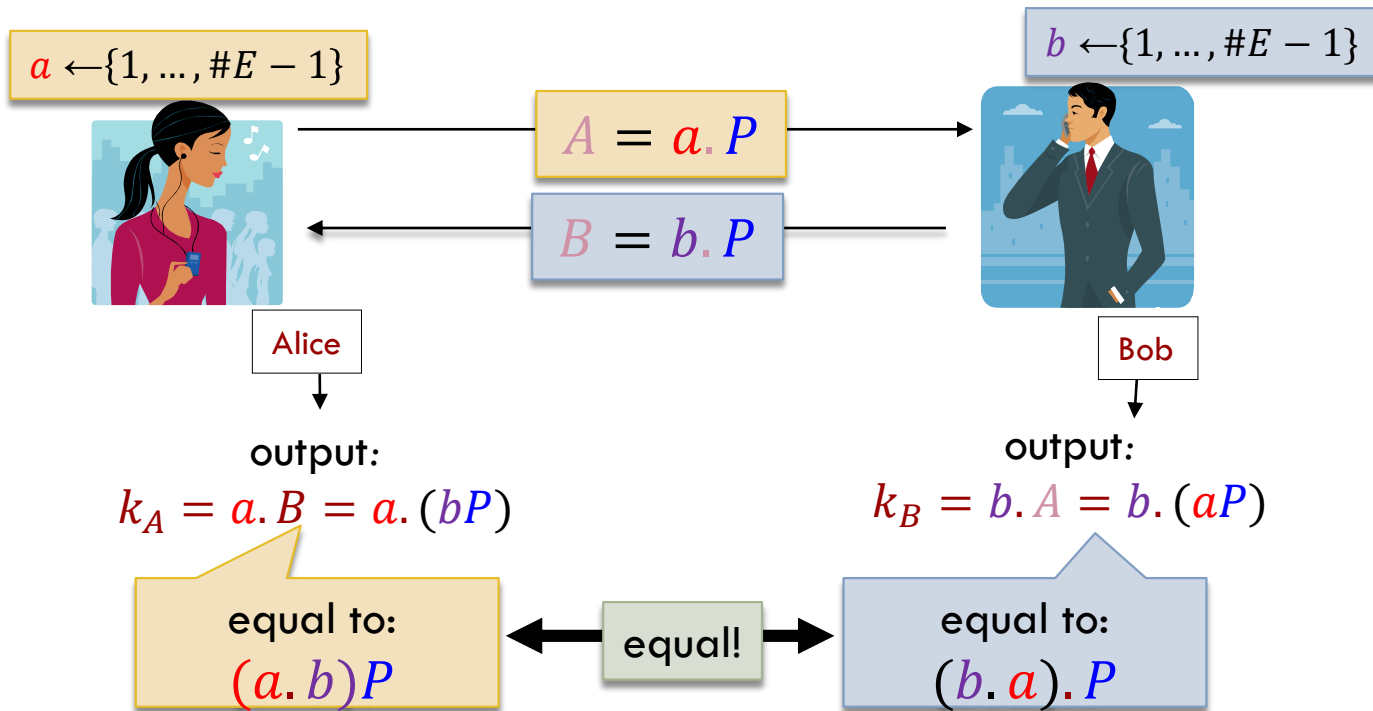
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Conclusion

# Protocols

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## □ Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange (ECDH)



# Point Multiplication

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- Double and add
- Point addition and point Doubling
  - ▣ Group operation

```
N ← P
Q ← 0
for i from 0 to m do
    if  $d_i = 1$  then
        Q ← point_add(Q, N)
    N ← point_double(N)
return Q
```

# Point Addition and Point Doubling

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## □ Affine Coordinate

□  $(x, y)$

□  $P = (x_1, y_1), Q = (x_2, y_2)$

$(x_3, y_3) = P+Q, P=Q:$

$$\lambda = \frac{3x_1^2 + a}{2y_1}$$

$$x_3 = \lambda^2 - 2x_1$$

$$y_3 = (x_1 - x_3)\lambda - y_1$$

$(x_3, y_3) = P+Q, P \neq Q:$

$$\lambda = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$x_3 = \lambda^2 - x_1 - x_2$$

$$y_3 = (x_1 - x_3)\lambda - y_1$$



# Efficiency

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- $\frac{\textit{Throughput}}{\textit{Area}} = \frac{M}{AT}$
- $M$ 
  - Field size
- $AT = \textit{Area} \times \textit{Time}$

# Efficiency in SW vs HW

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- Hardware
  - ▣ Lower area and time
- Software
  - ▣ Lower time
  - ▣ Fewer Instructions

# Efficient Architecture (HW)

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- Parallel
  - Area ↑
  - Time ↓
  - High-speed
- Serial
  - Area ↓
  - Time ↑
  - Low-complexity, lightweight
- Pipeline
  - Area ?
  - Time ?

# Pipeline Architectures

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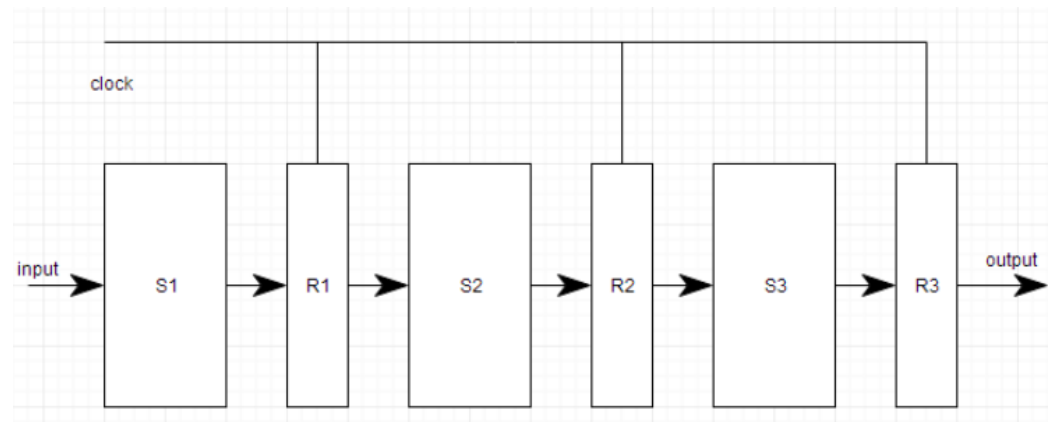
## □ Pipeline

### ▣ Area

- Number of stages ↑
  - Registers ↑
  - Area ↑
- In comparison with parallel

### ▣ Time

- CPD ↓
- #CCs ↓
  - Utilization



# Efficient Point Multiplication

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## □ Designing efficient field operations

### □ HW

- Lower area and time

### □ SW

- Fewer instructions

## □ Field operations

### □ scheduling

- Utilization
- HW

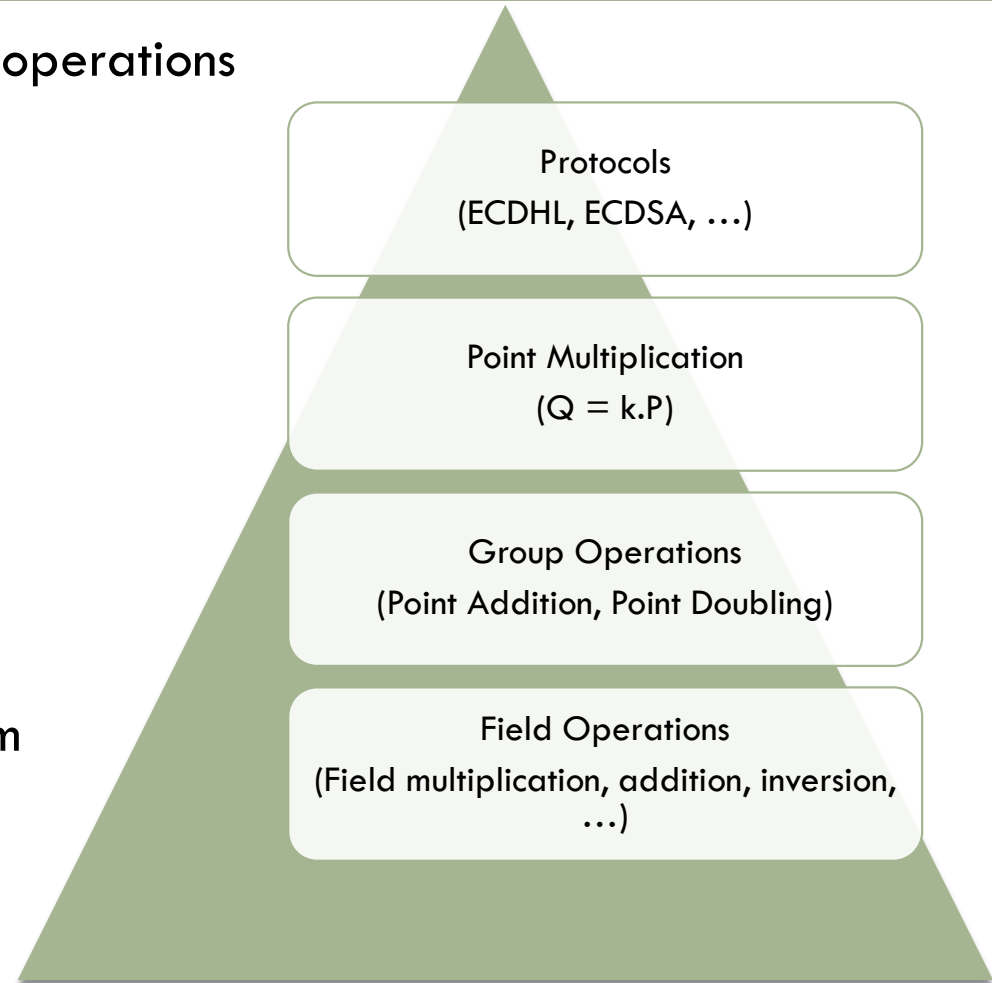
### □ Coordinate systems

- HW, SW

## □ Lightweight PM algorithm

### □ Fewer group operations

- HW, SW



# Efficient Field Operations

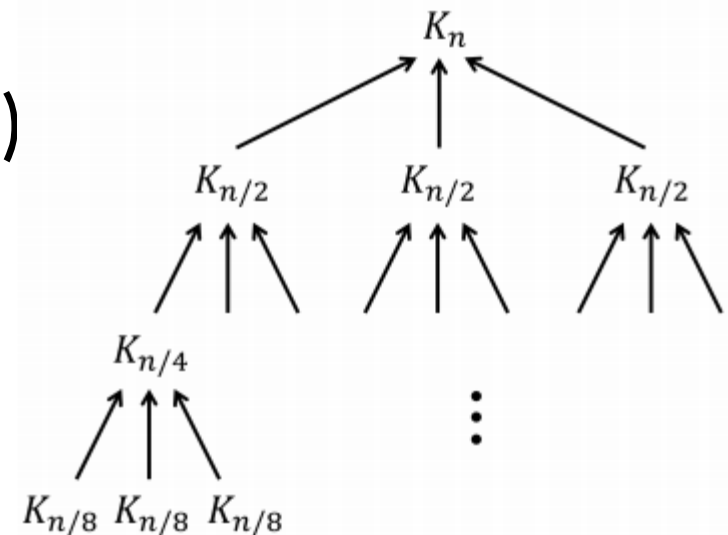
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- Field Multiplication
  - Most effective operation
    - Inversion
      - Fermat's little theorem
      - $a^{-1} \equiv a^{m-2} \pmod{m}$
    - Addition, subtraction
  - Binary extension field
    - Legacy use
    - Squaring
  - Prime field
    - Squaring  $\Leftrightarrow$  multiplication

# Karatsuba-ofman Multiplication (KOM)

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- Karatsuba , 1960, Divide and conquer
- K ways, M steps : 2-ways, 3-steps
- $O(n^2) \Rightarrow O(n^{\log_3 3}) \Rightarrow O(n^{1.58})$



# KOM (cont.)

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- 2-ways, 1-step
- 256 bits inputs

$$\begin{aligned} A.B &= (a_h 2^{128} + a_l)(b_h 2^{128} + b_l) \\ &= a_h b_h 2^{256} + (a_l b_h + a_h b_l) 2^{128} + a_l b_l \\ &= a_h b_h 2^{256} + [(a_h + a_l)(b_h + b_l) - a_h b_h - a_l b_l] 2^{128} + a_l b_l. \end{aligned}$$



# KOM (cont.)

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- Finding best ways and steps
- Efficient architecture
  - ▣ Pipeline architecture
- Consider your prime!

# KOM (cont.)

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□ Prime =  $2^{255}-19 \Rightarrow 2^{256}=38$

□ Reduces the output digits

□ 512 bits to 390 bits

□ Reduces the reduction algorithm steps

□ Increases a multiply by 38

□  $38 = 100110$

□ 3 shifts

□ 2 additions

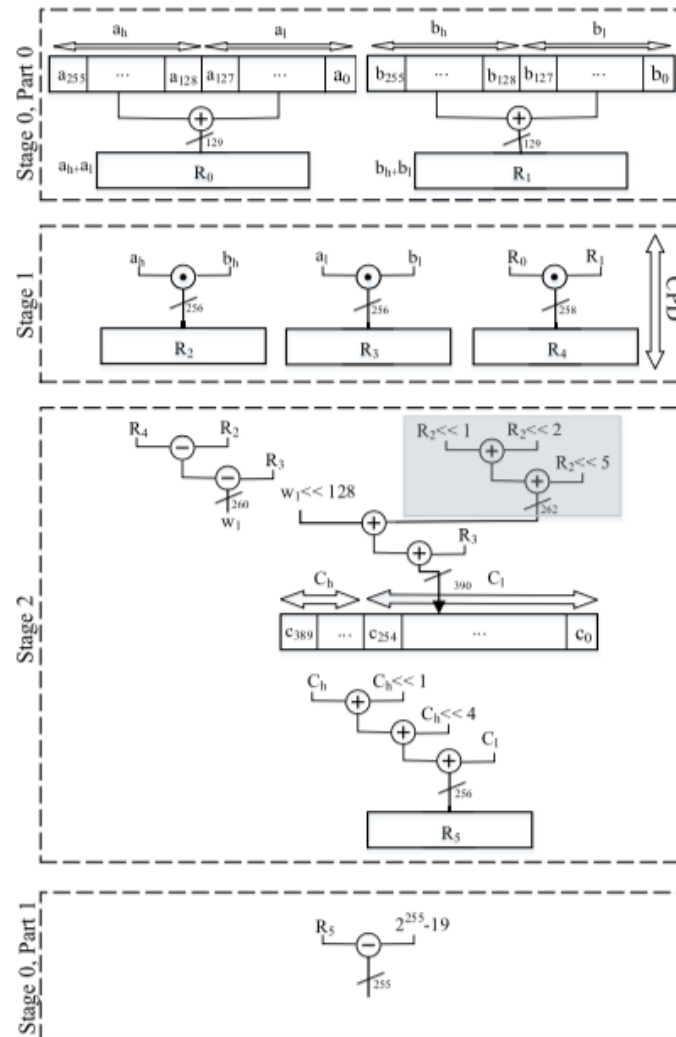
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# KOM (cont.)

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# Efficient Group Operation

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- Coordinate System choosing
  - Affine
    - $(x,y)$
  - Projective, Jacobin, etc.
    - $(X,Y,Z)$
  - Montgomery-Ladder point multiplication
    - X-coordinate
- Field operations scheduling
  - Iterations overlapping
  - Using pipeline architecture

# Efficient Group Operation (cont.)

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- Curve 25519
  - $\text{GF}(2^{255}-19)$
- Montgomery PM
  - X-coordinate
- Montgomery Ladder step
  - 18 field operation
    - 4 addition
    - 4 subtraction
    - 10 multiplication
  - Dependency

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**Algorithm 3** Single Curve265519 Montgomery ladder step

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**Require:**  $(X_1, X_2, Z_2, X_3, Z_3)$ .

**Ensure:** New  $(X_2, Z_2, X_3, Z_3)$  for next step.

```
1:  $T_1 \leftarrow X_2 + Z_2$ 
2:  $T_2 \leftarrow X_2 - Z_2$ 
3:  $T_3 \leftarrow X_3 + Z_3$ 
4:  $T_4 \leftarrow X_3 - Z_3$ 
5:  $T_7 \leftarrow (T_2)^2$ 
6:  $T_6 \leftarrow (T_1)^2$ 
7:  $T_5 \leftarrow T_6 - T_7$ 
8:  $T_9 \leftarrow T_3 \cdot T_2$ 
9:  $T_8 \leftarrow T_4 \cdot T_1$ 
10:  $X_3 \leftarrow T_8 + T_9$ 
11:  $Z_3 \leftarrow T_8 - T_9$ 
12:  $X_3 \leftarrow X_3^2$ 
13:  $Z_3 \leftarrow Z_3^2$ 
14:  $Z_3 \leftarrow Z_3 \cdot X_1$ 
15:  $X_2 \leftarrow T_6 \cdot T_7$ 
16:  $Z_2 \leftarrow 121666 \cdot T_5$ 
17:  $Z_2 \leftarrow Z_2 + T_7$ 
18:  $Z_2 \leftarrow Z_2 \cdot T_5$ 
19: return  $(X_2, Z_2, X_3, Z_3)$ .
```

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# Efficient Group Operation (cont.)

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- The most critical decisions
  - ▣ How many field multiplications
    - Efficiency
      - Area and time balance
  - ▣ How many pipeline stages
    - Average number of independent multiplication
      - Utilization
    - Time
      - CPD
      - Latency

# Efficient Group Operation (cont.)

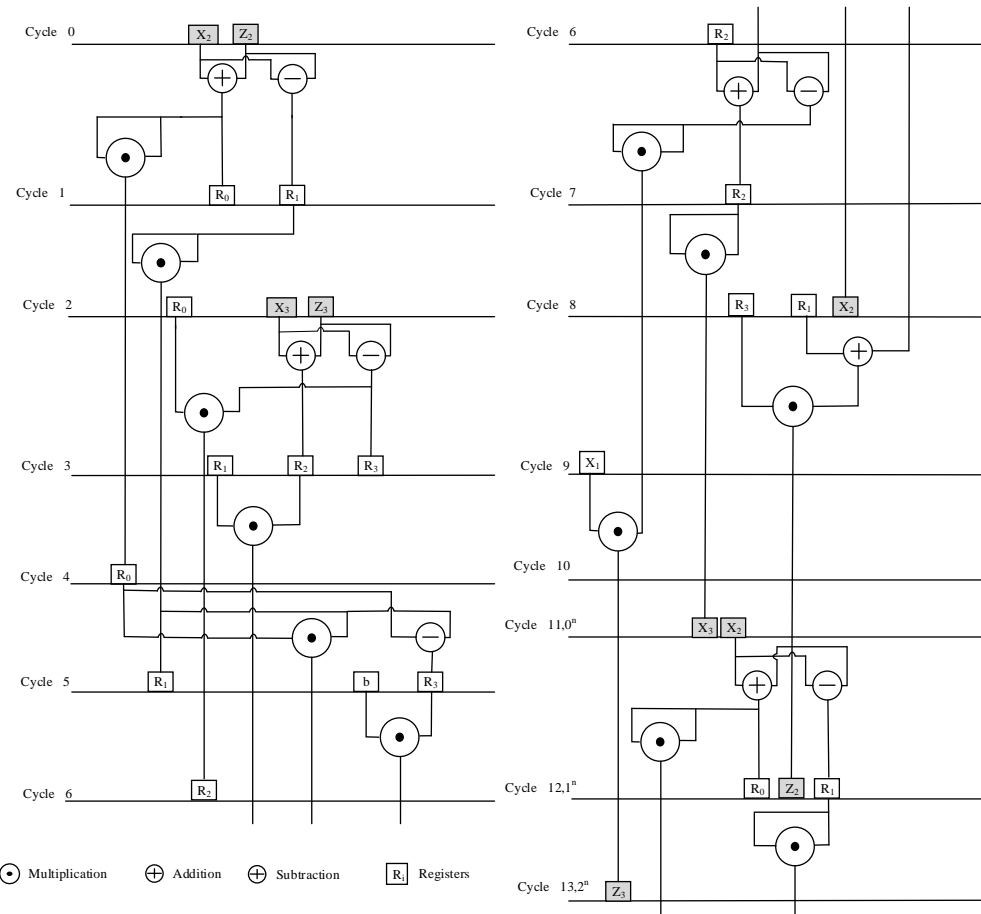
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- Best related work scheduling [Koppermann, MICPRO'17]
  - 32 step
  - 2 multiplication
    - ▣ 1 addition
    - ▣ 1 subtraction

# Efficient Group Operation (cont.)

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- [Salarifard et al, 2019]
- 11 step
- 1 multiplication
- 1 addition
- 1 subtraction





# Lightweight PM algorithms

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- Scalar representation
  - ▣ Non-adjacent Form (NAF) representation
    - Decreasing Hamming Weight
- Windowing methods
  - ▣ Pre-computation
  - ▣ Fewer Point Addition
- Montgomery Ladder
  - ▣ X-coordinates

# Double and Add Point Multiplication

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**Input:** Elliptic curve  $E$ , an elliptic curve point  $P$  and a scalar  $d$  in binary representation such that  $d = d_n \cdots d_0$ .

**Output:**  $T = dP \pmod{n}$

1:  $T \leftarrow P$

2:     **for**  $i \leftarrow n - 1$  *downto* 0 **do**

3:              $T \leftarrow T + T \pmod{n}$

4:             **if**  $d_i = 1$  **then**

5:                      $T \leftarrow T + P \pmod{n}$

6:             **end if**

7:     **end for**

8: **return**  $T$

# Non-adjacent Form (NAF)

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- Decreasing Hamming weight
- Removing two equal adjacent non-zero bits

1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	
					↓							
1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	-1	
					↓							
1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	-1	0	0	-1	
					↓							
1	0	0	0	-1	0	1	0	0	-1	0	0	-1

# NAF-based Point Multiplication

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**Input:** Elliptic curve  $E$ , an elliptic curve point  $P$  and a scalar  $d$  in binary representation such that  $d = d_n \cdots d_0$ .

**Output:**  $T = dP \pmod{n}$

```
1:  $T \leftarrow P$ 
2:   for  $i \leftarrow n - 1$  downto  $0$  do
3:      $T \leftarrow T + T \pmod{n}$ 
4:     if  $d_i = 1$  then
5:        $T \leftarrow T + P \pmod{n}$ 
6:     else if  $d_i = -1$ 
7:        $T \leftarrow T - P \pmod{n}$ 
8:     end if
9:   end for
10:return  $T$ 
```

# Windowing Method Point Multiplication

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**Input:** Elliptic curve  $E$ , an elliptic curve point  $P$ , Window width  $w$ ,  
 $d = \lfloor \frac{l}{w} \rfloor$  and a scalar  $k = (k_{d-1} \cdots k_0)_{2^w}$ .

**Output:**  $Q = kP \pmod{n}$

1:  $P_0 \leftarrow P$

2: Precompute: **for**  $i \leftarrow 1$  **upto**  $2^{w-1}$  **do:**  $P_i = P_{i-1} + P$

3:  $Q \leftarrow 0$

4: **for**  $i \leftarrow d - 1$  **downto**  $0$  **do**

5:      $Q \leftarrow 2^w Q$

6:      $Q \leftarrow Q + P_{kd}$

7: **return**  $Q$

# Montgomery Ladder Point Multiplication

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**Input:** Elliptic curve  $E$ , an elliptic curve point  $P$  and a scalar  $d$  in binary representation such that  $d = d_n \cdots d_0$ .

**Output:**  $dP \pmod{n}$

1:  $P_1 \leftarrow P$  and  $P_2 \leftarrow 2P$

2:     **for**  $i \leftarrow n - 1$  **downto** 0 **do**

4:             **if**  $d_i = 0$  **then**

5:                      $P_1 \leftarrow 2P_1$  and  $P_2 \leftarrow P_1 + P_2$

4:             **else**

5:                      $P_1 \leftarrow P_1 + P_2$  and  $P_2 \leftarrow 2P_2$

6:             **end if**

7:     **end for**

8: **return**  $P_1$

# Montgomery Ladder PM (cont.)

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## □ X-coordinate

$$(x, y) \rightarrow \{(X, Z) \mid Z \neq 0, X = x \cdot Z\}$$

## □ Point Addition

$$X_3 = 4(XX' - ZZ'),$$

$$Z_3 = 4(XZ' - ZX')x_p$$

$$X_2 = (X^2 - Z^2)^2 = (X - Z)^2(X + Z)^2,$$

$$Z_2 = 4XZ(X^2 + AXZ + Z^2),$$

## □ Point Doubling

# Evaluation

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- SW
  - ▣ Software code (C, C++, Java, etc)
  - ▣ Time
- HW
  - ▣ HDL
    - Verilog
    - VHDL
  - ▣ FPGA
  - ▣ ASIC



# Hardware Evaluation (FPGA)

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- Xilinx ISE
- Device (Zynq, Vertix, etc.)
  - ▣ Related work
- Slice, DSP, CPD, #CCs
- $AT = \text{Area} \times \text{Time}$ 
  - ▣ Area in FPGA?
    - DSPs
    - Slices
    - One DSP = 100 Slices [Salarifard et al, TCAS-I, 2019].

# Hardware Evaluation (ASIC)

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- Technology
  - ▣ 32 nm, 45 nm, 65 nm , etc.
- Standard Cell Libraries
  - ▣ Nangate, TSMC, UMC, etc.
  - ▣ Not available in web!
- Estimation
  - ▣ Gate (NAND, NOR)
  - ▣ CPD
    - Gate delay
  - ▣ Delay
    - Number of maximum FFs from input to output
- Implementation
  - ▣ Design Compiler
    - Area, CPD, Power, Energy, etc.
  - ▣ No free, Vmware (CentOS).

# Conclusion

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- Efficiency
  - ▣ Area and Time
  - ▣ Pipeline
- Efficient Point Multiplication
  - ▣ Efficient Field Operations
  - ▣ Efficient Group Operation
  - ▣ Lightweight Point Multiplication algorithm
- Evaluation
  - ▣ SW
    - Time
  - ▣ HW
    - FPGA and ASIC

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