# Quantum circuits for the CSIDH: optimizing quantum evaluation of isogenies 

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Slow. Not obviously not post-quantum.



## CSIDH: An Efficient Post-Quantum Commutative Group Action

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- Closest thing we have in PQC to normal DH key exchange: Keys can be reused, keys can be blinded; no difference between initiator \& responder.
- Public keys are represented by some $A \in \mathbf{F}_{p} ; p$ fixed prime.
- Alice computes and distributes her public key $A$. Bob computes and distributes his public key $B$.
- Alice and Bob do computations on each other's public keys to obtain shared secret.
- Fancy math: computations start on some elliptic curve

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use isogenies to move to a different curve.

- Computations need arithmetic (add, mult, div) modulo $p$ and elliptic-curve computations.


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Cycles are compatible: [right, then left] $=[$ left, then right $]$, etc.
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Subexp 2010 Childs-Jao-Soukharev attack (on CRS):
This problem can be seen as a hidden-shift problem.
2003 Kuperberg or 2004 Regev or 2011 Kuperberg solves this in subexponentially many queries.

Attack works for any commutative group action, thus also CSIDH.

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- What about memory, using parallel $A T$ metric?


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Building confidence in correctness of output:

1. Compare output to Sage script for CSIDH.
2. Generating-function analysis of exact error rates.

Compare to experiments with noticeable error rates.

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Variations in $512,\{-5, \ldots, 5\}, 2^{-32}$ : see paper.

## Case study: full CSIDH-512 attack

CSIDH-512 user has inputs $\left[P_{1}\right]^{a_{1}} \cdots\left[P_{d}\right]^{a_{d}}$ with $\left(a_{1}, \ldots, a_{d}\right) \in\{-5, \ldots, 5\}^{74}$
but Kuperberg assumes $\left[P_{1}\right]^{a}$ with uniform $a \in \mathbf{Z} / N$.

- Approach 1: Compute lattice $L=\operatorname{Ker}\left(a_{1}, \ldots, a_{d} \mapsto\left[P_{1}\right]^{a_{1}} \cdots\left[P_{d}\right]^{a_{d}}\right)$.
Given $a \in \mathbf{Z}^{d}$, find close $v \in L$ : distance $\exp \left((\log N)^{1 / 2+o(1)}\right)$ using time $\exp \left((\log N)^{1 / 2+o(1)}\right)$.
- Approach 2: Increase $d$ up to $\exp \left((\log N)^{1 / 2+o(1)}\right)$.

Search randomly for small relations.
Time $\exp \left((\log N)^{1 / 2+o(1)}\right)$ to compute group action.

- Approach 3 (ours): Uniform $\left(a_{1}, \ldots, a_{d}\right)$ in $\{-c, \ldots, c\}^{d}$.

Choose $c$ somewhat larger than users do.
Not much slowdown in action.
Surely $g=\left[P_{1}\right]^{a_{1}} \cdots\left[P_{d}\right]^{a_{d}}$ is nearly uniformly distributed.
Need more analysis of impact of these redundant representations upon Kuperberg's algorithm.

