

# Computing the Deuring correspondence and applications to cryptography

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 $\rightsquigarrow$  **Oriented curves** and **the isogeny class-group action**.



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General theme: Things are **easy** in quaternion land.

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$$E \mapsto \mathcal{O}$$

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In fact, the image in  $B_{p,\infty}$  of a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $\text{End}(E)$  is given by

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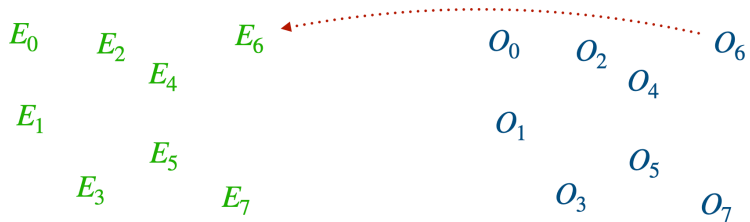
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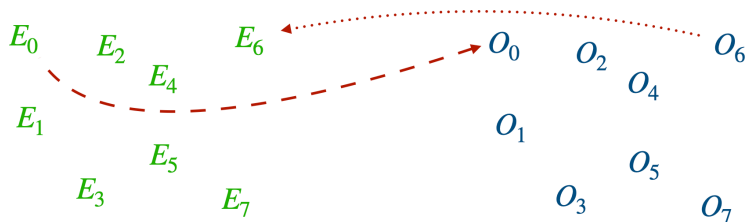
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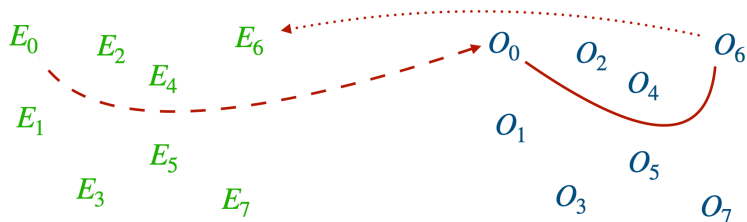


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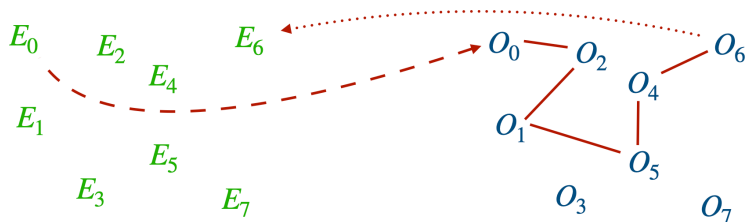
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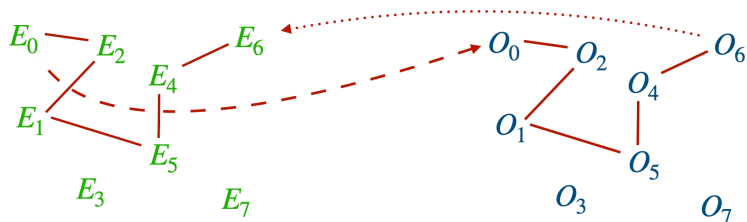


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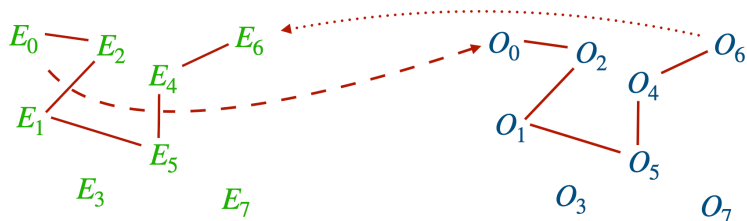
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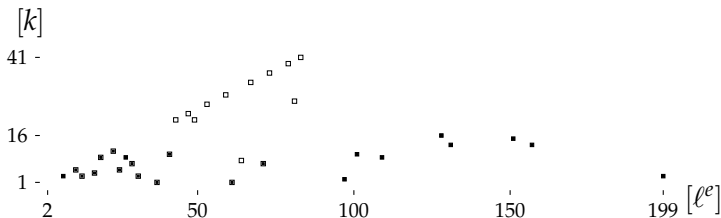
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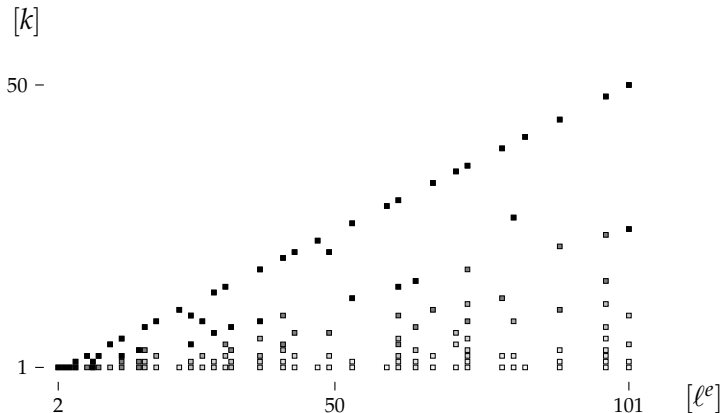
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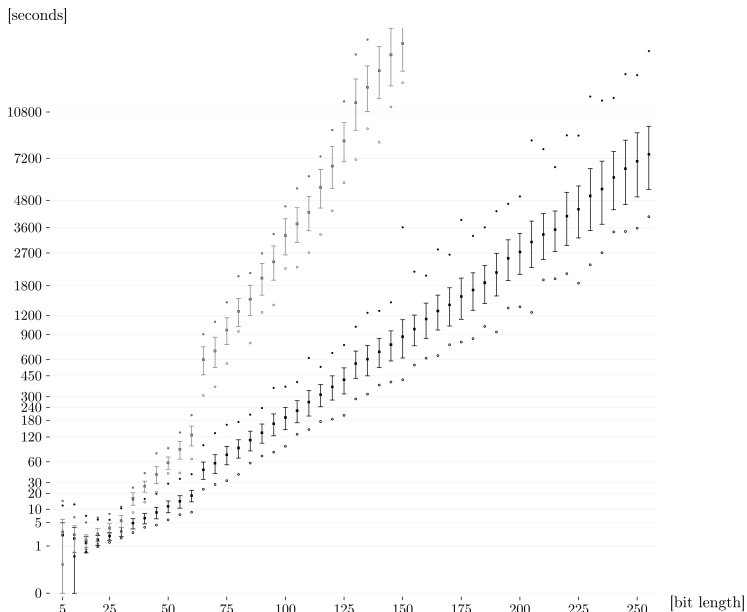
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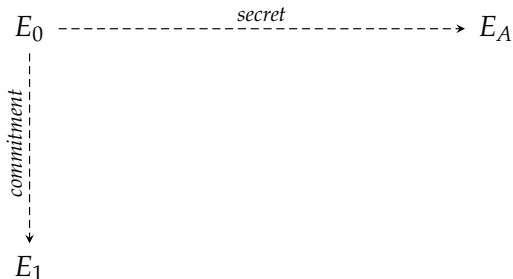
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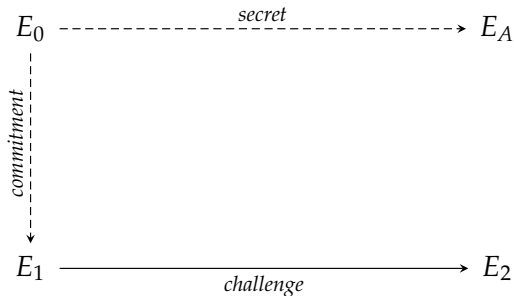
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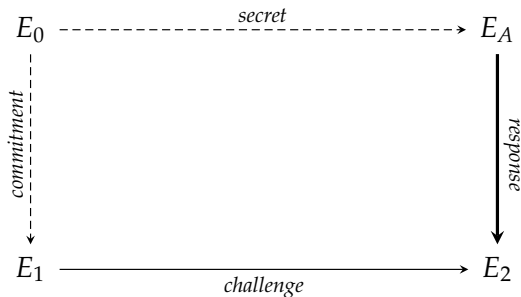


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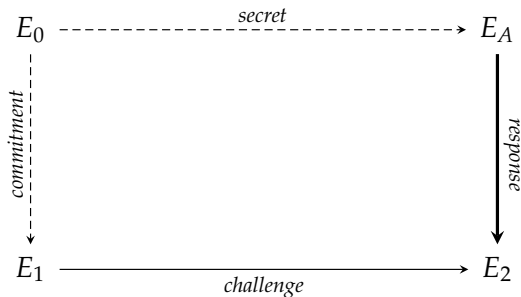


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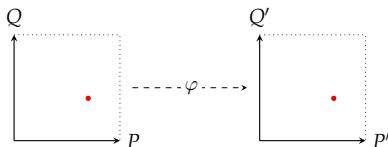
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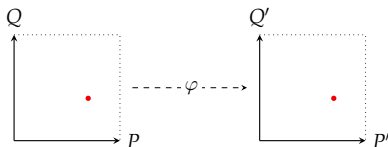
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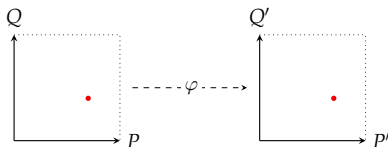
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