

# Optimized Method for Computing Odd-Degree Isogenies on Edwards Curves

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we present an efficient method to compute arbitrary odd-degree isogenies on Edwards curves. By using the  $w$ -coordinate, we optimized the isogeny formula on Edwards curves by Moody and Shumow. We demonstrate that Edwards curves have an additional benefit when recovering the coefficient of the image curve during isogeny computation. For  $\ell$ -degree isogeny where  $\ell = 2s + 1$ , our isogeny formula on Edwards curves outperforms Montgomery curves when  $s \geq 2$ . To better represent the performance improvements when  $w$ -coordinate is used, we implement CSIDH using our isogeny formula. Our implementation is about 20% faster than the previous implementation. The result of our work opens the door for the usage of Edwards curves in isogeny-based cryptography, especially for CSIDH which requires higher degree isogenies.

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## 1 Introduction

Cryptosystems based on isogenies using supersingular elliptic curves were first proposed by De Feo and Jao [16]. They proposed a Diffie-Hellman type key exchange protocol named Supersingular Isogeny Diffie-Hellman (SIDH). Instead of relying on the discrete logarithm problems where intractability assumption of the problem is broken by Shor's algorithm, the security relies on the problem of finding an isogeny between two given elliptic curves over a finite field. Moreover, since the key sizes are small compared to other post-quantum cryptography (PQC) categories, isogeny-based cryptography has positioned itself as a

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promising candidate for PQC. Later, SIDH led to the development of the key encapsulation mechanism called Supersingular Isogeny Key Encapsulation (SIKE), which is a Round 2 candidate in the NIST PQC standardization project [2].

Recently, De Feo *et al.* proposed the improvements to the CRS scheme in [12] and [23]. The CRS scheme was the first cryptosystem based on isogenies between ordinary curves. However, the scheme was highly inefficient and the use of ordinary curves makes the algorithm suffer from the subexponential attack proposed by [8]. The scheme proposed in [13] optimized the CRS scheme, although several minutes are still required for a single key exchange. Independent from [13], Castryck *et al.* proposed CSIDH (Commutative SIDH), which also adapted the CRS scheme, but applied it to supersingular elliptic curves [7]. Instead of working with supersingular elliptic curves over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  as in SIDH/SIKE, CSIDH works over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . CSIDH is a non-interactive key exchange protocol having smaller key sizes than SIDH/SIKE.

Considering the implementation, isogeny-based cryptosystems involve complicating isogeny operations in addition to the standard elliptic curve arithmetic over a finite field. Regarding the isogeny operations, the degree of an isogeny used in the cryptosystem depends on the prime chosen for the scheme. For SIDH or SIKE,  $p$  is of the form  $p = \ell_A^{e_A} \ell_B^{e_B} f \pm 1$ , where  $\ell_A$  and  $\ell_B$  are coprime to each other. The  $\ell_A$  and  $\ell_B$  can be considered as the degree of isogenies dealt in the scheme. Since the complexity of computing isogenies increases as the degree increases, isogenies of degree 3- and 4- were mostly considered for implementing SIDH or SIKE. CSIDH exploits  $p$  of the form  $p = 4\ell_1\ell_2 \cdots \ell_n - 1$ , where  $\ell_i$  are odd-primes. Similarly, as  $\ell_i$  are degrees of isogenies used in the scheme, demands for odd-degree isogeny formulas have increased after the proposal of CSIDH. Regarding the elliptic curve arithmetic, it is important to select the form of elliptic curves that can provide efficient curve operations. Until recently, only Montgomery curves were used, as they offer fast computations on both components – *i.e.* isogeny computation and curve arithmetic. The state-of-the-art implementation proposed in [11] is also based on Montgomery curves.

Meanwhile, researches have extended to adopt other forms of elliptic curves that yield efficient arithmetic or isogeny computation. In [9], it was mentioned that due to the birationality between twisted Edwards curves and Montgomery curves, there might exist savings to be gained when twisted Edwards curves are used for SIDH/SIKE. The utilization of elliptic curve arithmetic on twisted Edwards curves was first proposed by Meyer *et al.* [20]. Their method uses twisted Edwards curves for elliptic curve arithmetic and Montgomery curves for isogeny computation. For isogenies on Edwards curves, optimized 3- and 4- isogeny formulas were first proposed in [17], in order to apply Edwards curves in isogeny-based cryptosystems. In [19], they implemented CSIDH by using Montgomery curves for isogenies and twisted Edwards curves for recovering the coefficient of the image curve.

Currently, using Edwards curves for isogeny-based cryptosystems is not so promising. As Bos and Friedberger [5] have demonstrated, working with twisted Edwards curves does not provide faster elliptic curve arithmetic in the setting

of SIDH or SIKE. The implementation results in [1] and [18] also show that Edwards curves do not result in faster performance. In short, Edwards curves for implementing SIDH or SIKE have one critical disadvantage – elliptic curve arithmetic are slower on Edwards curves than on Montgomery curves in SIDH or SIKE settings. When it comes to CSIDH, the most painstaking part is to construct odd-degree isogenies. Although the motivation for the work in [9] is slightly different, the proposed odd-degree isogeny formula can naturally be applied in CSIDH when using Montgomery curves. The only generalized odd-degree isogeny formula on Edwards curves is the formula proposed by Moody and Shumow in [21]. Though, as stated in [19], the coordinate map of the formula is not as simple to compute as in [9].

However, there are still some aspects to optimize the odd-degree isogeny formula on Edwards curves. Until now, the optimization of isogenies on Edwards curves was only done for small degree isogenies. In [17] and [18], the 3- and 4- isogeny formula on Edwards curves were optimized by substituting the  $x$ -coordinate and curve coefficients of Moody and Shumow’s formula to  $y$ -coordinates using division polynomials and curve equations. As the degree goes higher, optimizing Moody and Shumow’s formula by using the method presented in [17] and [18] is cumbersome. Additional improvements can be achieved on a higher degree isogenies if different approaches are applied for the optimization.

The aim of this work is to construct efficient and generalized odd-degree isogenies on Edwards curves to be suitable for isogeny-based cryptosystems. The following list details the main contributions of this work.

- We exploit the  $w$ -coordinate proposed in [14] on Edwards curves. As mentioned above, the main disadvantage of using  $YZ$ -coordinates for Edwards curves is that the elliptic curve arithmetic is slower than on Montgomery curves in SIDH or SIKE settings. However, the costs of doubling, tripling, and differential addition using projective  $w$ -coordinate are the same as on Montgomery curves, which motivates us to use the  $w$ -coordinate system on Edwards curves.
- We present the formula for computing odd-degree isogenies using the  $w$ -coordinate. By optimizing the isogeny formula proposed by Moody and Shumow, the computational cost of evaluating an  $\ell$ -isogeny is the same as on Montgomery curves. We also optimized the formula for obtaining the curve coefficient of the image curve. Our formula for computing the curve coefficient does not require additional points and has benefits over Montgomery curves when the degree is higher than 5. Derivations of our isogeny formula and computational cost are presented in Section 3, and analysis of our isogeny formula is presented in Section 4.
- We present the implementation result of CSIDH using Edwards  $w$ -coordinates. The result of our implementation is about 20% faster than the implementation proposed in [7], and 2% faster than the implementation presented in [19]. This result is natural as computing the coefficient of the image curve is more efficient on Edwards  $w$ -coordinate than Montgomery  $x$ -coordinate. Additionally, when computing elliptic curve arithmetic, the number of addi-

tions and subtractions decreases on  $w$ -coordinate Edwards curves compare to  $x$ -coordinate Montgomery curves. As the cost of elliptic curve arithmetic is inevitable, the difference in the number of additions is accumulated and resulted in a faster speed than hybrid-CSIDH, proposed in [19].

This paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we review on Edwards curves and their arithmetic using  $w$ -coordinates. Also, the description of the SIDH and CSIDH protocol are presented. In Section 3, we present our optimization of a generalized odd-degree isogeny formula on Edwards curves. The implementations result of CSIDH using Edwards  $w$ -coordinate is presented Section 4. We draw our conclusions and future work in Section 5.

## 2 Preliminaries

In this section, we provide the required background that will be used throughout the paper. First, we review the Edwards curves and their arithmetic using the  $w$ -coordinate. Then, we introduce the SIDH and CSIDH protocol to illustrate the required degree of an isogeny for each protocol.

### 2.1 Edwards curves and their arithmetic

**Edwards curves** Edwards elliptic curves over  $K$  are defined by the equation,

$$E_d : x^2 + y^2 = 1 + dx^2y^2, \quad (1)$$

where  $d \neq 0, 1$ . The  $E_d$  has singular points  $(1 : 0 : 0)$  and  $(0 : 1 : 0)$  at infinity. In Edwards curves, the point  $(0, 1)$  is the identity element, and the point  $(0, -1)$  has order two. The points  $(1, 0)$  and  $(-1, 0)$  have order four. The condition that  $E_d$  always has a rational point of order four restricts the use of elliptic curves in the Edwards model. Twisted Edwards curves are a generalization of Edwards curves proposed by Bernstein *et al.* in [3], to overcome such deficiency. Twisted Edwards curves are defined by the equation,

$$E_{a,d} : ax^2 + y^2 = 1 + dx^2y^2, \quad (2)$$

for distinct nonzero elements  $a, d \in K$  [3]. Clearly,  $E_{a,d}$  is isomorphic to an Edwards curve over  $K(\sqrt{a})$ . The  $j$ -invariant of Edwards curves is defined as  $j(E_d) = 16(1 + 14d + d^2)^3/d(1 - d)^4$ . For the same reason as in [11], we use projective curve coefficients on Edwards curves to avoid inversions when recovering the coefficient of the image curves. Let  $(C, D) \in \mathbb{P}^1(K)$  where  $C \in \bar{K}^\times$  such that  $d = D/C$ . Then  $E_d$  can be expressed as

$$E_{C:D} : Cx^2 + Cy^2 = C + Dx^2y^2.$$

**Arithmetic on Edwards curves** For points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  on Edwards curves  $E_d$ , the addition of two points is defined as below, and doubling can be performed with exactly the same formula.

$$(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = \left( \frac{x_1y_2 + y_1x_2}{1 + dx_1x_2y_1y_2}, \frac{y_1y_2 - x_1x_2}{1 - dx_1x_2y_1y_2} \right).$$

Generally, projective coordinates  $(X : Y : Z) \in \mathbb{P}^2$  where  $x = X/Z$  and  $y = Y/Z$  are used for the corresponding affine point  $(x, y)$  on  $E_d$  to avoid inversions during elliptic curve arithmetic. There are several coordinate systems relating to Edwards curves such as inverted coordinates  $(X : Y : Z)$  which represents the point  $(Z/X, Z/Y)$  on an Edwards curve or extended coordinates which uses  $(X : Y : Z : T)$  with  $XY = ZT$ , for an efficient computation [4, 15].

## 2.2 $w$ -coordinate on Edwards curves

To evaluate the point addition efficiently, Farashahi and Hosseini proposed  $w$ -coordinate system on Edwards curves, and we briefly introduce here [14]. In [14], they proposed the rational map  $w$  as  $w(x, y) = dx^2y^2$  or  $w(x, y) = x^2/y^2$  for points  $(x, y)$  on an Edwards curve and presented Montgomery-like formulas for elliptic curve arithmetic on Edwards curves. Although  $w(x, y) = dx^2y^2$  and  $w(x, y) = x^2/y^2$  are different rational functions, as they yield identical formula, we shall use the map  $w(x, y) = dx^2y^2$  for the explanation.

Define the rational function  $w$  by  $w(x, y) = dx^2y^2$ . This function is well defined for all affine points on an Edwards curve. For  $P = (x, y)$  on an Edwards curve  $E_d$ ,  $-P = (-x, y)$  so that  $w(P) = w(-P)$ . Also,  $w(O) = 0$ . Let  $P_1 = (x_1, y_1)$  and  $P_2 = (x_2, y_2)$  be the points on  $E_d$ . Let  $w_0 = w(2P_1)$ ,  $w_3 = w(P_1 + P_2)$ , and  $w_4 = w(P_1 - P_2)$ . The addition formula on Edwards curves gives

$$\begin{aligned} x_3(1 + dx_1x_2y_1y_2) &= x_1y_2 + x_2y_1, \\ x_4(1 - dx_1x_2y_1y_2) &= x_1y_2 - x_2y_1, \\ y_3(1 - dx_1x_2y_1y_2) &= y_1y_2 - x_1x_2, \\ y_4(1 + dx_1x_2y_1y_2) &= y_1y_2 + x_1x_2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $P_1 + P_2 = (x_3, y_3)$  and  $P_1 - P_2 = (x_4, y_4)$ . By multiplying the above equations and squaring both sides we have,

$$x_3^2y_3^2x_4^2y_4^2 = \frac{(x_1^2y_2^2 - x_2^2y_1^2)(y_1^2y_2^2 - x_1^2x_2^2)^2}{(1 - d^2x_1^2x_2^2y_1^2y_2^2)^4}.$$

Multiplying both sides by  $d^2$  of the above equation, we obtained the differential addition formula as presented in [14]. In [14], the doubling and differential addition formulas are defined as,

$$w_0 = \frac{4w_1((w_1 + 1)^2 - ew_1)}{(w_1^2 - 1)^2}, \quad w_3w_4 = \frac{(w_1 - w_2)^2}{(w_1w_2 - 1)^2}.$$

where  $e = 4/d$ . For the rest of the subsection, we analyze the computational cost of doubling, tripling, and differential additions in the setting of isogeny-based cryptosystems, using projective  $w$ -coordinates. The **M** and **S** refers to a field multiplication and squaring, respectively, and **a** and **s** refers to a field addition and subtraction, respectively. In the remainder of this paper, we shall consider  $WZ$ -coordinate as projective  $w$ -coordinates. As mentioned above, although we define  $w(x, y)$  as  $w(x, y) = dx^2y^2$ , computational costs are identical when  $w(x, y)$  is defined as  $w(x, y) = x^2/y^2$ . Note that these elliptic curve arithmetic form the building blocks when implementing isogeny-based cryptosystems.

**Doubling** Let  $P = (x, y)$  be a point on an Edwards curve  $E_d$  defined as in equation (1). Let  $d = D/C$ ,  $w = dx^2y^2$ , and  $w = W/Z$ . For  $P = (W : Z)$  in projective  $w$ -coordinates, the doubling of  $P$  gives  $[2]P = (W' : Z')$ , where  $W'$  and  $Z'$  are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} W' &= 4WZ(D(W + Z)^2 - 4CWZ), \\ Z' &= D(W + Z)^2(W - Z)^2. \end{aligned}$$

The above equation can be computed as,

$$\begin{aligned} t_0 &= (W + Z)^2, & t_1 &= (W - Z)^2, & t_2 &= D \cdot t_0, \\ Z' &= t_2 \cdot t_1, & t_0 &= t_0 - t_1, & t_1 &= C \cdot t_0, \\ W' &= t_2 - t_1, & W' &= W' \cdot t_0. \end{aligned}$$

The computational cost is **4M+2S**.

**Tripling** For  $P = (W : Z)$  on an Edwards curve  $E_d$  represented in projective coordinates, the tripling of  $P$  gives  $[3]P = (W' : Z')$ , where  $W'$  and  $Z'$  are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} W' &= W(D(W^2 - Z^2)^2 - Z^2(4D(W + Z)^2 - 16CWZ))^2, \\ Z' &= Z(-D(W^2 - Z^2)^2 + W^2(4D(W + Z)^2 - 16CWZ))^2. \end{aligned}$$

The computational cost is **7M+5S**.

**Differential addition** The differential addition is needed when computing the kernel for SIDH or CSIDH. For example, SIDH starts by computing  $R = [m]P + [n]Q$  for chosen basis  $P$  and  $Q$  and a secret key  $(m, n)$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $m$  is invertible, and compute  $R = P + [m^{-1}n]Q$ . This can be done by using the Montgomery ladder which requires computing differential additions as a subroutine.

Let  $P_1 = (W_1 : Z_1)$  and  $P_2 = (W_2 : Z_2)$  be the points on  $E_d$ . Let  $w_0 = w(P_1 - P_2)$  and  $w_3 = w(P_1 + P_2)$ . Let  $w_0 = W_0/Z_0$  and  $w_3 = W_3/Z_3$ .

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} W_3 &= Z_0(W_1Z_2 - W_2Z_1)^2, \\ Z_3 &= W_0(W_1W_2 - Z_1Z_2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

The computational cost of differential addition and doubling on Edwards curves is **6M+4S** using affine coordinates (SIDH/SIKE settings) and **8M+4S** using projective coordinates (CSIDH setting).

### 2.3 Isogeny-based Cryptosystems

We recall the SIDH and CSIDH key exchange protocol proposed in [16] and [7]. For more information, please refer to [16] and [7] for SIDH and CSIDH, respectively. The notations used in this section will continue to be used throughout the paper.

**SIDH protocol** Fix two coprime numbers  $\ell_A$  and  $\ell_B$ . Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $p = \ell_A^{e_A} \ell_B^{e_B} f \pm 1$  for some integer cofactor  $f$ , and  $e_A$  and  $e_B$  be positive integers such that  $\ell_A^{e_A} \approx \ell_B^{e_B}$ . Then we can easily construct a supersingular elliptic curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  of order  $(\ell_A^{e_A} \ell_B^{e_B} f)^2$  [6]. We have full  $\ell^e$ -torsion subgroup on  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  for  $\ell \in \{\ell_A, \ell_B\}$  and  $e \in \{e_A, e_B\}$ . Choose basis  $\{P_A, Q_A\}$  and  $\{P_B, Q_B\}$  for the  $\ell_A^{e_A}$ - and  $\ell_B^{e_B}$ -torsion subgroups, respectively.

Suppose Alice and Bob want to exchange a secret key. Let  $\{P_A, Q_A\}$  be the basis for Alice and  $\{P_B, Q_B\}$  be the basis for Bob. For key generation, Alice chooses random elements  $m_A, n_A \in \mathbb{Z}/\ell_A^{e_A}\mathbb{Z}$ , not both divisible by  $\ell_A$ , and computes the subgroup  $\langle R_A \rangle = \langle [m_A]P_A + [n_A]Q_A \rangle$ . Then using Velu's formula, Alice computes a curve  $E_A = E/\langle R_A \rangle$  and an isogeny  $\phi_A : E \rightarrow E_A$  of degree  $\ell_A^{e_A}$ , where  $\ker \phi_A = \langle R_A \rangle$ . Alice computes and sends  $(E_A, \phi_A(P_B), \phi_A(Q_B))$  to Bob. Bob repeats the same operation as Alice so that Alice receives  $(E_B, \phi_B(P_A), \phi_B(Q_A))$ .

For the key establishment, Alice computes the subgroup  $\langle R'_A \rangle = \langle [m_A]\phi_B(P_A) + [n_A]\phi_B(Q_A) \rangle$ . By using Velu's formula, Alice computes a curve  $E_{AB} = E_B/\langle R'_A \rangle$ . Bob repeats the same operation as Alice and computes a curve  $E_{BA} = E_A/\langle R'_B \rangle$ . The shared secret between Alice and Bob is the  $j$ -invariant of  $E_{AB}$ , *i.e.*  $j(E_{AB}) = j(E_{BA})$ .

**CSIDH protocol** CSIDH uses commutative group action on supersingular elliptic curves defined over a finite field  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be an imaginary quadratic order. Let  $\mathcal{E}\ell_p(\mathcal{O})$  denote the set of elliptic curves defined over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  with the endomorphism ring  $\mathcal{O}$ . It is well-known that the class group  $Cl(\mathcal{O})$  acts freely and transitively on  $\mathcal{E}\ell_p(\mathcal{O})$ . We call the group action as CM-action and denote the action of an ideal class  $[\mathfrak{a}] \in Cl(\mathcal{O})$  on an elliptic curve  $E \in \mathcal{E}\ell_p(\mathcal{O})$  by  $[\mathfrak{a}]E$ .

Let  $p = 4\ell_1\ell_2 \cdots \ell_n - 1$  be a prime where  $\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n$  are small distinct odd primes. Let  $E$  be a supersingular elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  such that  $\text{End}_p(E) = \mathbb{Z}[\pi]$ , where  $\text{End}_p(E)$  is the endomorphism ring of  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . Note that  $\text{End}_p(E)$  is a commutative subring of the quaternion order  $\text{End}(E)$ . Then the trace of

Frobenius is zero, hence  $E(\mathbb{F}_p) = p + 1$ . Since  $\pi^2 - 1 = 0 \pmod{\ell_i}$ , the ideal  $\ell_i \mathcal{O}$  splits as  $\ell_i \mathcal{O} = \mathfrak{l}_i \bar{\mathfrak{l}}_i$ , where  $\mathfrak{l}_i = (\ell_i, \pi - 1)$  and  $\bar{\mathfrak{l}}_i = (\ell_i, \pi + 1)$ . The group action  $[\mathfrak{l}_i]E$  (resp.  $[\bar{\mathfrak{l}}_i]E$ ) is computed via isogeny  $\phi_{\mathfrak{l}_i}$  (resp.  $\phi_{\bar{\mathfrak{l}}_i}$ ) over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  (resp.  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ ) using Velu's formulas.

Suppose Alice and Bob want to exchange a secret key. Alice chooses a vector  $(e_1, \dots, e_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , where  $e_i \in [-m, m]$ , for a positive integer  $m$ . The vector represents an isogeny associated to the group action by the ideal class  $[\mathfrak{a}] = [\mathfrak{l}_1^{e_1} \dots \mathfrak{l}_n^{e_n}]$ , where  $\mathfrak{l}_i = (\ell_i, \pi - 1)$ . Alice computes the public key  $E_A := [\mathfrak{a}]E$  and sends  $E_A$  to Bob. Bob repeats the similar operation with his secret ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  and sends the public key  $E_B := [\mathfrak{b}]E$  to Alice. Upon receiving Bob's public key, Alice computes  $[\mathfrak{a}]E_B$  and Bob computes  $[\mathfrak{b}]E_A$ . Due to the commutativity,  $[\mathfrak{a}]E_B$  and  $[\mathfrak{b}]E_A$  are isomorphic to each other so that they can derive a shared secret value from the elliptic curves.

### 3 Optimized odd-degree isogenies on Edwards curve

In this section, we present the optimized method for computing odd-degree isogenies on Edwards curves. We used the result of Moody and Shumow as a base formula and optimized it by using  $w$ -coordinates. We conclude that the structure of odd-degree isogenies on Edwards curves is similar to the coordinate map on Montgomery curves presented in [9].

#### 3.1 Motivation

After the proposal of CSIDH, demands on a general formula for computing odd-degree isogenies have aroused. The prime  $p$  in CSIDH is of the form  $p = 4\ell_1\ell_2 \dots \ell_n - 1$ , where  $\ell_i$  are small distinct odd primes. To implement CSIDH, isogeny of degree  $\ell_i$  is required for all  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . The parameter CSIDH-512 presented in [7] uses  $n = 74$ , meaning that  $\ell_1, \dots, \ell_{73}$  are the 73 smallest odd primes, and  $\ell_{74}$  is a smallest prime distinct from other primes that makes  $p$  a prime. Therefore, isogeny formulas of degrees up to at least 587 ( $=\ell_{74}$ ) are required. Although the motivation of the work in [9] is independent of CSIDH scheme, they presented an efficient and generalized odd-degree isogeny formula on Montgomery curves so that the formula can naturally be used for CSIDH. For Edwards curves, optimization of the Moody and Shumow's formula must be performed for the use in CSIDH and other isogeny-based cryptosystems.

Let  $G$  be a subgroup of the Edwards curve  $E_d$  with odd order  $\ell = 2s + 1$ , and points  $G = \{(0, 1), (\pm\alpha_1, \beta_1), \dots, (\pm\alpha_s, \beta_s)\}$ . Let  $\phi$  be an  $\ell$ -isogeny from  $E_d$  with kernel  $G$ . The  $\phi$  proposed by Moody and Shumow is given as follows, where  $B = \prod_{i=1}^s \beta_i$  [21].

$$\phi(x, y) = \left( \frac{x}{B^2} \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{\beta_i^2 x^2 - \alpha_i^2 y^2}{1 - d^2 \alpha_i^2 \beta_i^2 x^2 y^2}, \frac{y}{B^2} \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{\beta_i^2 y^2 - \alpha_i^2 x^2}{1 - d^2 \alpha_i^2 \beta_i^2 x^2 y^2} \right) \quad (3)$$

For optimizing 3-isogeny formula on Edwards curves, Kim *et al.* used the curve equation and the division polynomial to represent the  $x$ -coordinate and the

curve coefficient in equation (3), in terms of  $y$ -coordinate [17]. However, for higher degree isogenies, this optimization method is burdensome. On the other hand, the computational costs of elliptic curve arithmetic are the same for both curves when  $WZ$ -coordinate and  $XZ$ -coordinate are used for Edwards curves and Montgomery curves, respectively. This motivates us to optimize the odd-degree isogeny on Edwards curves using the  $w$ -coordinate. For the rest of the section, we present an odd-degree isogeny formula on Edwards curves expressed in  $w$ -coordinate.

### 3.2 Proposed odd-degree isogeny formula

We first present the isogeny formula using the  $w$ -coordinate, where the rational function  $w$  is defined as  $w(x, y) = dx^2y^2$  for points  $(x, y)$  on  $E_d$ .

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $P$  be a point on the Edwards curve  $E_d$  of odd order  $\ell = 2s + 1$ . Let  $\langle P \rangle = \{(0, 1), (\pm\alpha_1, \beta_1), \dots, (\pm\alpha_s, \beta_s)\}$ , where  $P = (\alpha_1, \beta_1)$ . Let  $w_i = d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2$  for  $1 \leq i \leq s$ , and  $w = w(Q)$ , where  $Q = (x, y) \in E_d$ . Then for  $\ell$ -isogeny  $\phi$  from  $E_d$  to  $E_{d'} = E_d/\langle P \rangle$  the evaluation of  $w$ ,  $\phi(w)$ , is given by,*

$$\phi(w) = w \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{(w - w_i)^2}{(1 - ww_i)^2}. \quad (4)$$

*Proof.* The proof of Theorem 1 is as follows. From the formula proposed by Moody and Shumow,  $\phi$  is as in equation (3), where  $d' = B^8d^\ell$  and  $B = \prod_{i=1}^s \beta_i$  [21]. In order to use the  $w$ -coordinate, we need to express the input and output of an isogeny function in terms of the  $w$ -coordinate. The points  $(x, y) \in E_d$  and  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i) \in E_d$  where  $1 \leq i \leq s$ , are expressed as  $w = dx^2y^2$  and  $w_i = d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2$ , in  $w$ -coordinates, respectively. Let  $\phi(x, y) = (X, Y)$  be the image point. Then  $w(\phi(x, y)) = d'X^2Y^2$  so that,

$$d'X^2Y^2 = B^8d^\ell \cdot \left( \frac{x}{B^2} \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{\beta_i^2x^2 - \alpha_i^2y^2}{1 - d^2\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2x^2y^2} \right)^2 \left( \frac{y}{B^2} \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{\beta_i^2y^2 - \alpha_i^2x^2}{1 - d^2\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2x^2y^2} \right)^2.$$

The above equation can be simplified as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} d'X^2Y^2 &= B^8d^\ell \cdot \frac{x^2}{B^4} \frac{y^2}{B^4} \left( \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{\beta_i^2x^2 - \alpha_i^2y^2}{1 - d^2\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2x^2y^2} \cdot \frac{\beta_i^2y^2 - \alpha_i^2x^2}{1 - d^2\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2x^2y^2} \right)^2 \\ &= dx^2y^2 \prod_{i=1}^s \left( \frac{d(\beta_i^2x^2 - \alpha_i^2y^2)(\beta_i^2y^2 - \alpha_i^2x^2)}{(1 - d^2\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2x^2y^2)^2} \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $w_i = d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2$  and  $w = dx^2y^2$ , the denominator on the inside of the product in the above equation can be simplified as  $(1 - ww_i)^4$ , which gives,

$$d'X^2Y^2 = w \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{(d(\beta_i^2x^2 - \alpha_i^2y^2)(\beta_i^2y^2 - \alpha_i^2x^2))^2}{(1 - ww_i)^4}. \quad (5)$$

Now, the numerator on the inside of the product of equation (5) can be simplified as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} (d(\beta_i^2 x^2 - \alpha_i^2 y^2)(\beta_i^2 y^2 - \alpha_i^2 x^2))^2 &= (d(x^2 y^2 \beta_i^4 - \alpha_i^2 \beta_i^2 x^4 - \alpha_i^2 \beta_i^2 y^4 + x^2 y^2 \alpha_i^4))^2 \\ &= (w(\alpha_i^4 + \beta_i^4) - w_i(x^4 + y^4))^2 \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

For further simplification of equation (6) we use the curve equation. Note that  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i)$  and  $(x, y)$  are on the Edwards curve  $E_d$ . Then,  $\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2 = 1 + w_i$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_i^4 + \beta_i^4 &= (1 + w_i)^2 - 2\alpha_i^2 \beta_i^2 \\ &= (1 + w_i)^2 - 2w_i/d. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for the point  $(x, y)$ , we have  $x^4 + y^4 = (1 + w)^2 - 2w/d$ . Substituting the result to equation (6), we have,

$$\begin{aligned} (d(\beta_i^2 x^2 - \alpha_i^2 y^2)(\beta_i^2 y^2 - \alpha_i^2 x^2))^2 &= \left( w \left( (1 + w_i)^2 - \frac{2w_i}{d} \right) - w_i \left( (1 + w)^2 - \frac{2w}{d} \right) \right)^2 \\ &= ((w - w_i)(1 - ww_i))^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now if we substitute the above equation to equation (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d' X^2 Y^2 &= w \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{((w - w_i)(1 - ww_i))^2}{(1 - ww_i)^4} \\ &= w \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{(w - w_i)^2}{(1 - ww_i)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result.  $\square$

Theorem 1 shows that the evaluation of an isogeny on Edwards curves can be expressed in  $w$ -coordinate. Now, it remains to express the coefficient of the image curve in  $w$ -coordinates. From the formula proposed by Moody and Shumow, the curve coefficient  $d'$  of the image curve  $E_{d'}$  is  $d' = d^\ell B^8$  where  $B = \prod_{i=1}^s \beta_i$ . Since  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i)$  satisfies the curve equation,  $\alpha_i^2 = (1 - \beta_i^2)/(1 - d\beta_i^2)$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} w_i &= d\alpha_i^2 \beta_i^2 \\ &= d \left( \frac{1 - \beta_i^2}{1 - d\beta_i^2} \right) \beta_i^2. \end{aligned}$$

Solving the above equation for  $\beta_i^2$ , we can express the curve coefficient of the image curve in  $w$ -coordinate. However, direct change of  $d'$  to  $w$ -coordinate is computationally inefficient due to the square root computation. To solve this problem, we refer to the following theorem. Let  $P_i = (\alpha_i, \beta_i) \in \langle P \rangle$  for  $1 \leq i \leq s$ , where  $-P_i = (-\alpha_i, \beta_i)$ . We exploit the fact that the set of  $y$ -coordinates of  $[2]P_i$  where  $1 \leq i \leq s$ , is equal to the set of  $y$ -coordinates of  $P_j$ , where  $1 \leq j \leq s$ , up to permutations.

**Theorem 2.** *The curve coefficient  $d'$  of the image curve  $E_{d'}$  in Theorem 1 is equal to*

$$d' = d^\ell \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{(w_i + 1)^8}{4^4}. \quad (7)$$

*Proof.* The proof of the Theorem 2 is as follows. From the formula proposed by Moody and Shumow,  $d' = d^\ell B^8$  where  $B = \prod_{i=1}^s \beta_i$ . In order to use  $w$ -coordinate system for isogeny computations, we also need to express  $d'$  in  $w$ -coordinate. As denoted above, converting  $\beta_i$  directly to  $w$ -coordinate is cumbersome. The idea is that doubling the kernel points also generates the same subgroup since we are only dealing with odd-degree isogenies.

Let  $P_i = (\alpha_i, \beta_i)$ . Instead of computing the square of the  $y$ -coordinate (or  $x$ -coordinate) of  $P_i$ , we shall compute the square of the  $y$ -coordinate (or  $x$ -coordinate) of  $[2]P_i$ . Note that since  $P$  is an  $\ell$ -torsion point where  $\ell = 2s + 1$ ,  $[2]P_i = \pm P_j$  for some  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, s\}$ . Then from the addition formula on Edwards curves, we have

$$[2]P_i = \left( \frac{2\alpha_i\beta_i}{1 + d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2}, \frac{\beta_i^2 - \alpha_i^2}{1 - d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2} \right).$$

Squaring the  $x$ -coordinate of  $[2]P_i$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{2\alpha_i\beta_i}{1 + d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2} \right)^2 &= \frac{4\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2}{(1 + w_i)^2} \\ &= \frac{4w_i/d}{(1 + w_i)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $w_i = d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2$ ,  $\beta_i^2 = w_i/d\alpha_i^2$ . Hence, by substituting the results, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d' &= d^\ell \prod_{i=1}^s \beta_i^8 \\ &= d^\ell \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{(w_i + 1)^8}{4^4} \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result.  $\square$

### 3.3 Alternate odd-degree isogeny formula

In this section, we present the isogeny formula by defining the rational function  $w$  as  $w(x, y) = x^2/y^2$  for a point  $(x, y)$  on  $E_d$ . As shown below, the cost of evaluating isogenies is the same as the case when  $w(x, y) = dx^2y^2$ . Formulas for computing the coefficient of the image curve are similar in both cases.

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $P$  be a point on the Edwards curve  $E_d$  of odd order  $\ell = 2s + 1$ . Let  $\langle P \rangle = \{(0, 1), (\pm\alpha_1, \beta_1), \dots, (\pm\alpha_s, \beta_s)\}$ , where  $P = (\alpha_1, \beta_1)$ . Let  $w_i = \alpha_i^2/\beta_i^2$*

for  $1 \leq i \leq s$ . and  $w = w(Q)$ , where  $Q = (x, y) \in E_d$ . Then for  $\ell$ -isogeny  $\phi$  from  $E_d$  to  $E_{d'} = E_d/\langle P \rangle$  the evaluation of  $w$ ,  $\phi(w)$ , is given by,

$$\phi(w) = w \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{(w - w_i)^2}{(1 - ww_i)^2} \quad (8)$$

*Proof.* The proof of Theorem 3 is similar to the proof of Theorem 1. From the formula proposed by Moody and Shumow,  $\phi$  is given by equation (3). The points  $(x, y) \in E_d$  and  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i) \in E_d$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq s$ , are expressed as  $w = x^2/y^2$  and  $w_i = \alpha_i^2/\beta_i^2$  in  $w$ -coordinates, respectively. Let  $\phi(x, y) = (X, Y)$  be the image point. Then  $\phi(x, y)$  can be expressed in  $w$ -coordinate as,

$$\phi(w) = \frac{X^2}{Y^2} = \frac{x^2}{y^2} \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{(\beta_i^2 x^2 - \alpha_i^2 y^2)^2}{(\beta_i^2 y^2 - \alpha_i^2 x^2)^2}.$$

Simplifying the equation and expressing in  $w$ -coordinate, we obtain  $\phi(w)$  as in equation (8).  $\square$

To obtain the coefficient of the image curve, we refer to the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.** *The curve coefficient  $d'$  of the image curve  $E_{d'}$  in Theorem 1 is equal to*

$$d' = d^\ell \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{4^4}{(w_i + 1)^8}. \quad (9)$$

*Proof.* Let  $P_i = (\alpha_i, \beta_i)$  be the point of the kernel. Similar to the proof of the Theorem 2, the Theorem 4 exploits the square of the  $x$ -coordinate of  $[2]P_i$ . From the addition formula on Edwards curves, we have

$$[2]P_i = \left( \frac{2\alpha_i\beta_i}{1 + d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2}, \frac{\beta_i^2 - \alpha_i^2}{1 - d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2} \right).$$

Squaring the  $x$ -coordinate of  $[2]P_i$  and dividing both the denominator and numerator by  $\beta_i^4$ , we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2}{(1 + d\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2)^2} &= \frac{4\alpha_i^2\beta_i^2}{(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{4w_i}{(1 + w_i)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, since  $w_i = \alpha_i^2/\beta_i^2$ ,  $\beta_i^2 = \alpha_i^2/w_i$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} d' &= d^\ell \prod_{i=1}^s \beta_i^8 \\ &= d^\ell \prod_{i=1}^s \left( \frac{\alpha_i^2}{w_i} \right)^4 \\ &= d^\ell \prod_{i=1}^s \frac{4^4}{(w_i + 1)^8} \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result.  $\square$

## 4 Implementation

In this section, we provide the performance result of our odd-degree isogeny formula by applying to CSIDH. We first compare the computational costs between Montgomery curves and Edwards curves. We then show the performance result of CSIDH when  $w$ -coordinate is used.

### 4.1 Computational costs

To evaluate the computational costs of the proposed formula, we first projectivize the function into  $\mathbb{P}^1$  to avoid inversions. Since both rational maps induce the similar formula, we shall explain this section by defining the rational map as  $w(x, y) = x^2/y^2$  for points  $(x, y)$  on Edwards curves. Thus, for  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i) \in E_d$ ,  $(W_i : Z_i) = (w_i : 1)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, s$  where  $w_i = \alpha_i^2/\beta_i^2$ . Let  $\phi$  be a degree  $\ell$  isogeny from  $E_d$  to  $E_{d'}$ . For additional input point  $(W : Z)$  on the curve  $E_d$ , the output is expressed as  $(W' : Z')$  where  $(W' : Z') = \phi(W : Z)$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} W' &= W \cdot \prod_{i=1}^s (WZ_i - ZW_i)^2, \\ Z' &= Z \cdot \prod_{i=1}^s (WW_i - ZZ_i)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $F_i = (W - Z)(W_i + Z_i)$  and  $G_i = (W + Z)(W_i - Z_i)$ . Then the above equation can be rewritten as,

$$\begin{aligned} W' &= W \cdot \prod_{i=1}^s (F_i - G_i)^2, \\ Z' &= Z \cdot \prod_{i=1}^s (F_i + G_i)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, computation of  $(WZ_i - ZW_i)$  and  $(WW_i - ZZ_i)$  cost  $2\mathbf{M}+6\mathbf{a}$ . For  $\ell = 2s + 1$ -isogeny, evaluation of an isogeny costs  $(4s)\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}$ . To compute the curve coefficients, let  $d = D/C$ . Then we have,

$$D' = D^\ell \cdot \prod_{i=1}^s (2Z_i)^8,$$

$$C' = C^\ell \cdot \prod_{i=1}^s (W_i + Z_i)^8,$$

where  $d' = D'/C'$ . Concluding the section, Table 1 presents the computational costs of evaluation of an isogeny as well as curve coefficient for degree  $\ell \in \{3, 5, 7, 9\}$ .

As shown in Table 1, the computational costs of evaluating isogenies are identical on both curves. In Table 1, we used the 2-torsion method for Montgomery curves to analyze the computational costs of computing the coefficients. In [9], instead of directly computing the curve coefficients, they exploit the fact that pushing 2-torsion points through an odd-degree isogeny preserves their order on the image curve. When the image of the 2-torsion point is obtained, the curve coefficient of the image curve can be recovered in  $2\mathbf{S}+5\mathbf{a}$ . For the details of the method, please refer to [10].

Table 1: Computational costs of isogenies of degree 3, 5, 7, and 9 on Montgomery curves and Edwards curves. For computing the curve coefficients on Montgomery curve, the 2-torsion method is used, and the table presents the combined computational cost of evaluating image of the 2-torsion point ( $(4s)\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}$ ) and recovering curve coefficient ( $2\mathbf{S}$ ).

	Evaluation		Curve coefficient	
	Montgomery	Edwards (This Work)	Montgomery	Edwards (This Work)
3	$4\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}+6\mathbf{a}$		$2\mathbf{M}+3\mathbf{S}$	$4\mathbf{M}+6\mathbf{S}+8\mathbf{a}$
5	$8\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}+10\mathbf{a}$		$8\mathbf{M}+4\mathbf{S}+5\mathbf{a}$	$6\mathbf{M}+6\mathbf{S}+8\mathbf{a}$
7	$12\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}+14\mathbf{a}$		$12\mathbf{M}+4\mathbf{S}+5\mathbf{a}$	$8\mathbf{M}+6\mathbf{S}+8\mathbf{a}$
9	$16\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}+18\mathbf{a}$		$16\mathbf{M}+4\mathbf{S}+5\mathbf{a}$	$10\mathbf{M}+6\mathbf{S}+8\mathbf{a}$

Since an additional 2-torsion point is evaluated, the computational cost of recovering the curve coefficient of the image curve is equal to  $(4s)\mathbf{M}+4\mathbf{S}$ , where  $(4s)\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}$  is for isogeny evaluation and  $2\mathbf{S}$  is for recovering from image points. One drawback of the 2-torsion method is that the additional 2-torsion point must be evaluated to recover the curve coefficient. Therefore, the computational cost of obtaining the curve coefficient of the image curve increases as the degree of isogeny increases. Although this is also the case on Edwards curves, an additional 2-torsion point is not required for Edwards curves.

For Montgomery curves, curve coefficients can also be recovered using the  $x$ -coordinates of points and the  $x$ -coordinate of their differences – *i.e.*  $x$ -coordinates of the points  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and  $Q - P$  on a Montgomery curve [9]. We shall call this method as `get_a_from_diff` method. Recovering the curve coefficient using this method costs  $8\mathbf{M}+5\mathbf{S}+11\mathbf{a}$  and the cost does not increase even if the degree of isogeny increases. In SIDH/SIKE settings, the points  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and  $Q - P$  can be seen as a public key  $(P_A, Q_A, P_A - Q_A)$  (or  $(P_B, Q_B, P_B - Q_B)$  on Bob’s side) and are evaluated for each iteration for efficient ladder computations. Therefore, `get_a_from_diff` method are more efficient in SIDH than the 2-torsion method.

Figure 1 depicts the difference in the computational cost of recovering the curve coefficient between Montgomery curves and Edwards curves. The horizontal axis represents the degree of an isogeny and vertical axis represents the number of multiplication used for the computation. The blue line indicates the computational cost on Montgomery curves and the orange line indicates the computational cost on Edwards curves. We considered  $1\mathbf{S}$  as  $0.8\mathbf{M}$ . Note that when  $WZ$ -coordinate is used for Edwards curves and  $XZ$ -coordinate is used for Montgomery curves, the difference in the performance purely lies on the cost of recovering the coefficients of the image curve, because the costs of all the remaining operations are the same. As shown in Figure 1.(a), when the 2-torsion method is used on Montgomery curves, Edwards curves become more efficient as the degree of isogeny increases. On the other hand, as shown in Figure 1.(b), when `get_a_from_diff` method is used for Montgomery curves, Montgomery curves become more efficient as the degree of isogeny increases. More concretely, Montgomery curves are preferred in SIDH/SIKE settings and are more efficient than Edwards curves for  $s \geq 3$ . In CSIDH setting, the points  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and  $Q - P$  are not evaluated so that the 2-torsion method is used for Montgomery curves. Hence Edwards curves are preferred and are more efficient than Montgomery curves in CSIDH for  $s \geq 2$ .

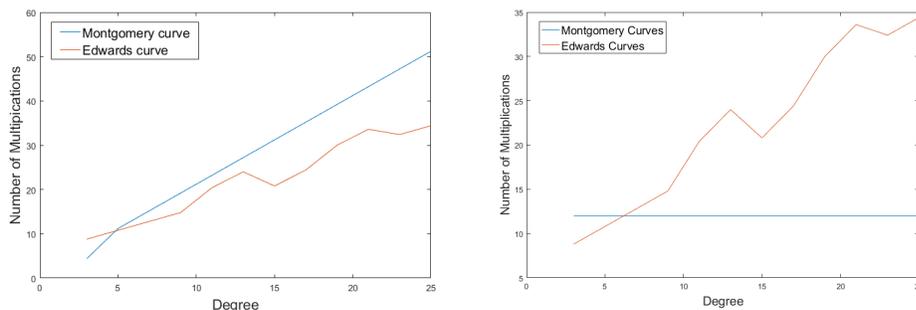


Fig. 1: (a) Computational costs of recovering the curve coefficient of the image curve when the 2-torsion method is used for Montgomery curves. (b) Computational costs of recovering the curve coefficient of the image curve when `get_a_from_diff` method is used for Montgomery curves.

## 4.2 Implementation result of CSIDH using $w$ -coordinate

To evaluate the performance, the algorithms are implemented in C language. All cycle counts were obtained on one core of an Intel Core i7-6700 (Skylake) at 3.40 GHz, running Ubuntu 16.04 LTS. For compilation, we used GNU GCC version 5.4.0. Before we present the implementation result, we briefly introduce the hybrid-CSIDH proposed by Meyer *et al.*, in order to better explain the results [19].

**Hybrid-CSIDH** In [19], Meyer *et al.* proposed hybrid implementation of CSIDH which uses Montgomery curves for elliptic curve arithmetic and isogeny computation, and twisted Edwards curves for computing the coefficients of the image curves. As stated above, computing the image curve is not as straightforward as for the point evaluations on Montgomery curves [9]. However, as presented in [21], computing the image curve is much simpler on twisted Edwards curves. Hence, in [19] by using the fact that conversion between two models costs only two additions, they transformed Montgomery curve to corresponding twisted Edwards curve and computed the image curve and transformed back to Montgomery curve.

**Sampling random points on Edwards curves** In order to calculate the class group action, a random point  $P$  on a curve is sampled over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  or  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2} \setminus \mathbb{F}_p$ . For Montgomery curve, this can be done by sampling a random  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -rational  $x$ -coordinate, and check whether  $x^2 + Ax^2 + x$  is a square or not. For Edwards curves, we sample a random  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -rational  $y$ -coordinate, check whether corresponding  $x$ -coordinate is a square or not, and convert to  $w$ -coordinate.

Note that for an Edwards curve define as in equation (1),  $x^2 = (1 - y^2)/(1 - dy^2)$ . Thus, we need to check whether  $(1 - y^2)/(1 - dy^2)$  is a square or not. This is equivalent to check whether  $(1 - y^2)(1 - dy^2)$  is a square or not. After checking the sign, we convert the sampled point on an Edwards curve to projective  $w$ -coordinate. For example, when  $w = dx^2y^2$  is used for the implementation, the following conversion is required.

$$P = (w : 1) = \left( d \cdot \frac{1 - y^2}{1 - dy^2} \cdot y^2 : 1 \right) = (dy^2(1 - y^2) : 1 - dy^2)$$

This can be done as in Algorithm 1, which costs  $3M+1S$ .

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**Algorithm 1** Sampling random point on an Edwards curve
 

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**Require:** An Edwards curve  $E_d$ 
**Ensure:** A point  $P = (W : Z)$  on  $E_d$  in projective  $w$ -coordinate for  $w = dx^2y^2$ 

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1: Sample a random  $y \in \mathbb{F}_p$ 
2:  $Z \leftarrow y^2$  //  $Z = y^2$ 
3:  $t_0 \leftarrow d \cdot Z$  //  $t_0 = dy^2$ 
4:  $t_1 \leftarrow 1 - Z$  //  $t_1 = 1 - y^2$ 
5:  $Z \leftarrow 1 - t_0$  //  $Z = 1 - dy^2$ 
6:  $rhs \leftarrow t_1 \cdot Z$  //  $rhs = (1 - dy^2)(1 - y^2)$ 
7:  $W \leftarrow t_1 \cdot rhs'$  //  $W = dy^2(1 - y^2)$ 
8: Set  $s \leftarrow +1$  if  $rhs$  is a square in  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , else  $s \leftarrow -1$ 
9: return  $P$ 

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*Remark 1.* Another method to sample random points on Edwards curves is to use the idea proposed in [22]. In [22], Moriya et al. proposed a method to sample a random element in  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , directly in  $w$ -coordinate. The idea is to sample a random element in  $\mathbb{F}_p$  and consider it as a  $w$ -coordinate of  $w(P)$ . They prove that if  $w(2P)$  is a square, then there exist  $P' \in E[\pi_p + 1]$  such that  $w(P') = w(2P)$ . If  $w(2P)$  is a non-square, then there exist  $P' \in E[\pi_p - 1]$ .

**Performance of CSIDH using Edwards curves** We used prime field  $\mathbb{F}_p$  presented in [7], where  $p$  is of the form  $p = 4\ell_1\ell_2 \cdots \ell_{74} - 1$ . The  $\ell_1, \dots, \ell_{73}$  are the 73 smallest distinct odd primes and  $\ell_{74} = 587$ . To compare the performance result with the implementation in [7] and [19], the field operations implemented in [7] are used for the experiment. We refer to the implementation in [7] as Montgomery-CSIDH and the implementation in [19] as hybrid-CSIDH, for the rest of the paper. Our implementation of CSIDH using Edwards  $w$ -coordinate is referred to as Edwards-CSIDH. We used  $w = dx^2y^2$  for the implementation.

First, the base field operations were tested in order to visualize the ratio between field operations. Each field operations were repeated  $10^8$  times.

 Table 2: Cycle counts of the field operations over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ 

	Addition	Subtraction	Multiplication
$p_{511}$	29	24	201

Table 3 illustrates the computational costs of elliptic curve arithmetic and isogeny on Hybrid-CSIDH and Edwards-CSIDH setting. The  $[k]P$  represents the computational cost of  $[k]P$  on Montgomery curves with respect to the cost on Edwards curves. The additional **3a** on Hybrid-CSIDH comes from the curve conversion. Since the number of calls of differential addition when computing  $[k]P$  is equal to the bit-length of  $k$ ,  $(\log k \times 4)\mathbf{a}$  are additionally required when using

Montgomery curves compared to Edwards curves. When computing  $(2s + 1)$ -isogeny, 5 field additions are additionally required for Hybrid-CSIDH for transforming between Montgomery and Edwards curves. However, when computing the image curve, 8 number of field addition is additionally required in Edwards-CSIDH.

Table 3: Computational costs of elliptic curve arithmetic and isogenies on Hybrid-CSIDH and Edwards-CSIDH

	Hybrid-CSIDH	Edwards-CSIDH
Differential addition	$8\mathbf{M}+4\mathbf{S}+7\mathbf{a}+4\mathbf{s}$	$8\mathbf{M}+4\mathbf{S}+3\mathbf{a}+4\mathbf{s}$
Doubling	$4\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}+6\mathbf{a}+2\mathbf{s}$	$4\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}+1\mathbf{a}+3\mathbf{s}$
Addition	$4\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}+3\mathbf{a}+3\mathbf{s}$	$4\mathbf{M}+2\mathbf{S}+3\mathbf{a}+3\mathbf{s}$
$[k]P$	$3\mathbf{a}+(\log k \times 4)\mathbf{a}$	-
$(2s + 1)$ -isogeny	$(-3)\mathbf{a}$	-

As shown in Table 4, implementing CSIDH using Edwards  $w$ -coordinate is the fastest. When comparing the result between Montgomery-CSIDH and Edwards-CSIDH, the result is not surprising since computing the curve coefficient of the image curve is more efficient on Edwards curves. In order to better compare the result between Hybrid-CSIDH and Edwards-CSIDH, we analyzed the computational cost of each building blocks of CSIDH.

The table below denotes the average number of function calls and differences in the number of field additions of Hybrid-CSIDH with respect to Edwards-CSIDH. The number of additions is omitted as its computational costs are the same for Hybrid-CSIDH and Edwards-CSIDH.

Table 4: Implementation results of CSIDH

	Montgomery [7]	Hybrid [19]	Edwards (This Work)
Alice's keygen	129,165,448 cc	105,438,581 cc	103,239,120 cc
Bob's keygen	128,460,087 cc	105,217,108 cc	103,078,319 cc
Alice's shared key	129,215,839 cc	105,429,541 cc	103,232,321 cc
Bob's shared key	128,426,421 cc	105,204,672 cc	103,084,354 cc

Table 5: Average number of function calls for CSIDH-512 and additional number of field operations for Hybrid-CSIDH with respect to Edwards-CSIDH

	Average number of calls	Hybrid-CSIDH
Doubling	202	+848.4 <b>a</b>
$[k]P$	218	+75,103 <b>a</b>
$(2s + 1)$ -isogeny	202	-606 <b>a</b>

Summing up the result of Table 2 and Table 5, although Edwards-CSIDH and Hybrid-CSIDH have the same number of field multiplications and squarings, the efficiency in the number of field additions and subtractions on Edwards-CSIDH lead to the fastest result.

## 5 Conclusion

In this paper, we proposed the optimized method for computing odd-degree isogenies on Edwards curves. By using the  $w$ -coordinates, we optimized the isogeny formula proposed by Moody and Shumow. The use of the  $w$ -coordinate makes the costs of elliptic curve arithmetic and evaluation of an isogeny identical to that of on Montgomery curves, having efficiency when computing the coefficient of the image curve. For  $\ell$ -degree isogeny where  $\ell = 2s + 1$ , the proposed formula has benefit over Montgomery curves when  $s \geq 2$ . We conclude that Montgomery curves are efficient for implementing SIDH or SIKE and Edwards curves are efficient for implementing CSIDH. Additionally, we implemented CSIDH using  $w$ -coordinates. Our Edwards-CSIDH is about 20% faster than the Montgomery-CSIDH, and 2% faster than the hybrid-CSIDH. For the future work, we plan to implement constant-time CSIDH using  $w$ -coordinate on Edwards curves.

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