## Memory-saving computation of the pairing final exponentiation on BN curves<sup>\*</sup>

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we describe and improve efficient methods for computing the hard part of the final exponentiation of pairings on Barreto-Naehrig curves.

Thanks to the variants of pairings which decrease the length of the Miller loop, the final exponentiation has become a significant component of the overall calculation. Here we exploit the structure of BN curves to improve this computation.

We will first present the most famous methods in the literature that ensure the computing of the hard part of the final exponentiation. We are particularly interested in the memory resources necessary for the implementation of these methods. Indeed, this is an important constraint in restricted environments.

More precisely, we are studying Devegili et al. method, Scott et al. addition chain method and Fuentes et al. method. After recalling these methods and their complexities, we determine the number of required registers to compute the final result, because this is not always given in the literature. Then, we will present new versions of these methods which require less memory resources (up to 37%). Moreover, some of these variants are providing algorithms which are also more efficient than the original ones.

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## 1 Introduction

The most significant complexity parameter of a pairing-friendly elliptic curve is the embedding degree k. It is defined as the smallest integer for which  $r|p^k - 1$ , where r is the prime order of a large group of points of an elliptic curve E and p is the base field characteristic. The embedding degree changes from one curve to another and it is usually chosen in pairing based cryptography in the form  $k = 2^i 3^j$  with  $i \ge 1, j \ge 0$  [1]. In this paper we are interested in pairings on Barreto-Naehrig curves defined over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  for which k = 12.

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Tate pairing and its derivates have two steps. After computing the Miller loop, we must carry out an extra step to ensure a unique result for the pairing. This second step is called the final exponentiation, where the Miller loop result  $f_1$  must be raised to the power  $\frac{p^k-1}{r}$ .

This final exponentiation can be broken down into three components. Let k' = k/2, then

$$\frac{p^k - 1}{r} = \left(p^{k'} - 1\right) \left[\frac{(p^{k'} + 1)}{\phi_k(p)}\right] \left[\frac{\phi_k(p)}{r}\right]$$

where  $\phi_k(.)$  is the k-th cyclotomic polynomial. This decomposition is usually used for the calculation of the final exponentiation. In our case k = 12, so the final exponent becomes

$$\frac{p^{12}-1}{r} = \left(p^6-1\right)\left(p^2+1\right)\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}$$

To compute the first part  $f = f_1^{(p^6-1)(p^2+1)}$  we have to rise  $f_1$  to the power  $p^6$  and  $p^2$  which are just easy Frobenius operations. We also have an inversion to perform. We are not interested here in this easy part of the computation of the final exponentiation. However it has an important consequence for rest of the computation. Indeed, powering  $f_1$  to the  $p^6 - 1$  makes the result unitary [2]. By this way, during the hard part of the final exponentiation (the computation of  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$ ) all the elements involved are unitary. This simplifies computations, for example any future inversion can be implemented as a Frobenius operator, more precisely  $f^{-1} = f^{p^6}$  which is just a conjugation [2], [3]. So we assume in the following that inversions are free.

Many methods allow to compute the hard part of the final exponentiation but they are using many memory resources. This can be a significant drawback for restricted environment. For example a single temporary variable in this computation requires  $\frac{256 \times 12}{8} = 384$  bytes of (fast and easily available) memory at the 128 bits security level. The most famous methods are Devegili's method [4], addition chain method [5] and Fuentes method [6].

The paper is organized as follows. The section 2 is devoted to a presentation of BN Curves. The section 3 is a state of the art for computing the hard part of the final exponentiation, specially Devegilli, addition chain and Fuentes et al. methods.

Then we present our new methods in section 4 namely a new development of  $\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}$ , a new addition chain, a new development of Fuentes method and a variant of Fuentes based on a new multiple of the final exponentiation. These four new methods require less memory resources than the previous ones. In some cases we have a gain of complexity and in others the losses are negligible which makes these method very interesting for implementations in restricted environments.

Finally, in section 5, we compare the complexities and the number of temporary variables used between our algorithms and literature ones.

### Notations and Assumptions:

In the rest of this paper we use the following notations.

- $M_k$  is a multiplication in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^k}$ .
- $S_k$  is a squaring in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^k}$ .
- $F_k$  is a Frobenius map application in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^k}$ .
- $I_k$  is an inversion in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^k}$ .
- $w_e$  is the Hamming weight of an integer |e|.
- $l_e$  is the length of |e| in base 2.

For simplicity, we use M, S and I instead of  $M_1, S_1$  and  $I_1$ .

Practically, when we compute the final exponentiation, we must perform the operations one by one in each line. For that, we assume that all operations of type  $a \leftarrow ab$  are possible in place. This hypothesis is reasonable because our computations are in the field extensions. Anyway, our results would be similar if such operations were not possible.

## 2 Barreto and Naehrig Curves

Barreto and Naherig presented in [7] a method to generate pairing friendly elliptic curves over a prime field  $\mathbb{F}_p$  with embedding degree k = 12 and a prime order n.

These curves are called BN curves and are defined over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  by the following equation

$$E: y^2 = x^3 + b,$$

where  $b \neq 0$  is nor a square neither a cube and by a parameter u such that

$$t = 6u^{2} + 1$$
  

$$n = 36u^{4} + 36u^{3} + 18u^{2} + 6u + 1$$
  

$$p = 36u^{4} + 36u^{3} + 24u^{2} + 6u + 1$$

where t is the trace of Frobenius map on the curve. The parameter u is chosen such that E has prime order. It has been proved that it is not restrictive to choose u sparse, for efficiency reasons. We assume this is the case in this paper, and more precisely in our examples we will choose a special value for u given in the following example.

Example 2.1 Nogami et al. [8] have suggested the nice choice of

 $u = -(408000000000001)_{16}.$ 

The Hamming weight of -u is  $w_u = 3$  and the length of -u in base 2 is  $l_u = 63$ .

From the given expressions of p and r, the hard part of the final exponentiation can be written differently. After computing the fraction  $\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}$  as a function of u [5], we obtain,

$$\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r} = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 p + \lambda_2 p^2 + \lambda_3 p^3$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = -36u^3 - 30u^2 - 18u - 2\\ \lambda_1 = -36u^3 - 18u^2 - 12u + 1\\ \lambda_2 = 6u^2 + 1\\ \lambda_3 = 1 \end{cases}$$

## 3 State of the Art

Let  $f_1$  the result of Miller loop and  $f = f_1^{(p^6-1)(p^2+1)}$  the result of the easy part of the final exponentiation. This section is devoted to the methods used in the literature to compute the hard part of the final exponentiation namely  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$ . We take advantage of this state of the art to determine the memory resources needed for each method, because is not always given.

## 3.1 Naive method

A naive method is to compute directly  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$  using classical fast exponentiations algorithms [10], [9].

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Algorithm 1: Square and Multiply algorithm

Input: f, d = (d_{n-1}, d_{n-2}, \dots, d_1, d_0)_2

Output: f^d

t_0 \leftarrow f

for i = n - 2 down to 0 do

t_0 \leftarrow t_0^2

If d_i = 1, then

t_0 \leftarrow t_0 f

return t_0
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The main advantage of this method in our context is that it uses only one temporary variable  $t_0$ . But we will see in the following that we can do much better in term of efficiency.

It is not hard to prove that the Hamming weight of  $\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 p + \lambda_2 p^2 + \lambda_3 p^3$ , which is a function of u, is about  $100w_u$  (see remark 3.1), and that its length is about 12 times the binary length of u.

So computing directly  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$  using algorithm 1 requires about  $100w_u$  multiplications and  $12l_u$  squarings in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

**Remark 3.1** To estimate the Hamming weight of  $\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}$ , we use the fact that if u is sparse then  $w_{u^4} \simeq 4w_u$  and  $w_{36u^4} \simeq 4w_u + 2$ . An easy computation then yield to  $w (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 p + \lambda_2 p^2 + \lambda_3 p^3) \simeq 100w_u$ . Moreover the last expression is in degree 12 in u so that  $l (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 p + \lambda_2 p^2 + \lambda_3 p^3) \simeq 12l_u$ .

**Example 3.2** If we choose the value of u proposed by Nogami et al. as in example 2.1, we have to perform 759 squarings and 306 multiplications in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  to compute  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$ .

We can do better than algorithm 1 by choosing advanced exponentiation methods such as sliding window. But we are not presenting them because they require more temporary variables for precomputations and because these are useless in case of sparse exponents. Let us now present the most used methods in the literature.

## 3.2 Lucas Sequences Method

Lucas sequences is another method for implementing exponentiation in subgroups when we are working on extension fields of even degree. The exponentiation is done via a "laddering" algorithm [?, ?] similar to the Montgomery ladder for elliptic curves [?]. As mentioned in [?], such an algorithm requires very little memory, which is our goal in this work. Lucas sequences were first used to compute the hard part of the final exponentiation in [2].

Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_m \in \mathbb{R}$ , a sequence  $\{v_0, v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_{m-1}, \ldots\}$  is called a Lucas sequence of order m if and only if

$$\forall i \ge 0, \ v_{m+i} = p_1 v_{m+i-1} + p_2 v_{m+i-2} + \dots p_m v_i$$

**Example 3.3** We give a simple example that we will use later. Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $v_0 = 2, v_1 = M$  and  $p_1 = M, p_2 = -1$ , then

$$v_{n+2} = Mv_{n+1} - v_n$$

is a Lucas sequence of order 2.

A Lucas Sequence has the propriety

$$v_{n+m} = v_n v_m - v_{|n-m|}$$

From this property we deduce two proprieties which are useful in our context.

- $v_{2n} = v_n^2 v_0$
- $v_{2n+1} = v_n v_{n+1} v_1$

We have  $f \in \mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ , let us write f = a + zb where  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}_{p^6}$  and  $F_{p^{12}} = F_{p^6}[z]$ . To compute  $f^n$ , we use the fact that

$$f^n = \left(a + bz\right)^n = \frac{v_n}{2} + zbu_n$$

where

- $v_n$  is a Lucas Sequence as the one given in example 3.3.
- $u_n = \frac{2v_{n+1} Mv_n}{M^2 4}$

The main interest of this method is that we are performing  $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$  operations instead of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  ones. Algorithm 2 ensures the computation of the hard part of the final exponentiation using Lucas sequences.

Algorithm 2: Lucas Sequence **Input:** f = a + bz,  $d = (d_{n-1}, d_{n-2}, \dots, d_1, d_0)_2$ Output:  $f^d$ **Temp. var.:**  $t_0, M, v_0, v_1$  $1:\ M \leftarrow 2a$  $v_0 \leftarrow 2$  $v_1 \leftarrow M$ 2: for i = n - 2 down to 0 do if  $d_i = 0$  then  $\begin{array}{l} v_1 \leftarrow v_0 v_1 - M \\ v_0 \leftarrow v_0^2 - 2 \end{array}$ 3: else  $\begin{array}{l} v_0 \leftarrow v_0 v_1 - M \\ v_1 \leftarrow v_1^2 - 2 \end{array}$ 4: end for 5:  $v_0 \leftarrow v_0 v_1 - M$  $v_1 \leftarrow v_1^2 - 2$  $\# v_0$  and  $v_1$  are carrying  $v_{n+1}$  and  $v_n$ . Let us now compute  $u_n$ . 6:  $t_0 \leftarrow Mv_0$  $\begin{array}{c} v_1 \leftarrow 2v_1 - t_0 \\ M \leftarrow M^2 - 4 \end{array}$  $v_1 \leftarrow v_1/M$  $v_1 \leftarrow bv_1$ 7:  $v_0 \leftarrow v_0/2$ 8: return  $v_0 + v_1 z$ 

This algorithm requires four temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$ . Concerning its cost, we have at steps 3 and 4 about  $l_d = 12l_u$  multiplications and  $12l_u$  squarings in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$ . At step 5 we have an extra multiplication and an extra squaring. The computation of  $u_n$  at step 6 requires 3 multiplications, an inversion and a squaring in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$ . So, the total cost of this algorithm is around  $12l_u + 4$  multiplications,  $12l_u + 2$  squarings and an inversion in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$ . Note that this method does not take any advantage of the sparsity of u.

**Example 3.4** With the choice of u given in example 2.1, the cost of Lucas Sequence method is 763  $M_6$ , 761  $S_6$  and  $I_6$ . Moreover, we need 4 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$  to compute  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$ .

## 3.3 Devegili & al. method

In 2000 Devegili and al. proposed a very efficient method for the computation of  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$  [4]. They developed the exponent  $\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}$  in a tricky way in order to reuse some exponents  $(6u^2+1 \text{ and } 6u+5)$ .

$$\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r} = \lambda_3 p^3 + \lambda_2 p^2 + \lambda_1 p + \lambda_0$$
  
=  $p^3 + (6u^2 + 1)p^2 + (-36u^3 - 18u^2 - 12u + 1)p$   
+ $(-36u^3 - 30u^2 - 18u - 2)$   
=  $p^3 + p^2(6u^2 + 1) + p((-6u - 5)(6u^2 + 1) + 2(6u^2 + 1)))$   
+ $p((-6u - 5) + 9) + (-6u - 5)(6u^2 + 1)$   
+ $(-6u - 5) + (-6u - 5) + 9 + 4$ 

So they finally compute  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$  as

$$f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}} = f^{p^3} \left( f^{p^2} \left( f^p f \right)^{-6u-5} \left( f^p \right)^2 \right)^{6u^2+1} \left( f^p f \right)^{-6u-5} f^{-6u-5} \left( f^p f \right)^9 f^4$$

Devegili and al. presented algorithm 3 to compute this expression.

Algorithm 3: Devegili et al. [4]  
Input: 
$$f, u$$
  
Output:  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$   
1:  $a \leftarrow f^{-6u-5}$   
2:  $b \leftarrow a^p$   
3:  $b \leftarrow ab$   
4: Compute  $f^p, f^{p^2}$ , and  $f^{p^3}$   
5:  $f \leftarrow f^{p^3}[f^{p^2}b(f^p)^2]^{6u^2+1}b(f^pf)^9 af^4$ 

Note that the exponentiations to the power of p (steps 2 and 4) are efficiently computed using Frobenius.

In step 1, we use algorithm 1 to rise f to the power -6u-5 which is a  $(l_u+2)$ bit integer of Hamming weight  $w_u + 2$  (u is chosen sparse). So we need  $w_u + 1$ multiplications and  $l_u + 1$  squarings in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  to compute a. In the same way  $l_{6u^2+1} = 2l_u + 1$  and  $w_{6u^2+1} \simeq 2w_u + 7$ , so for computing the exponentiation to the power  $6u^2 + 1$ , we need  $2l_u$  squarings and  $2w_u + 6$  multiplications.

The cost of step 2 is  $F_{12}$  and the cost of step 3 is  $M_{12}$ . For step 5 we need  $3F_{12}$  to compute  $f^p$ ,  $f^{p^2}$  and  $f^{p^3}$ ,  $2M_{12} + S_{12}$  to compute  $f^{p^2}b(f^p)^2$ ,  $3S_{12} + 2M_{12}$  for the 9-th power and  $2S_{12}$  to compute  $f^4$ .

Finally, 5 extra  $M_{12}$  are needed to multiply the terms together. So the total cost of this algorithm is approximately  $(3l_u + 7)S_{12}$ ,  $(3w_u + 17)M_{12}$  and  $4F_{12}$ .

The classical work of Devigili et al. was presented in algorithm 3, but they do not take into account temporary variables used in their algorithm which can cause a problem in restricted environments. So let us give a more detailed version of algorithm 3 which take into account the temporary variables.

Algorithm 4: detailed Devegili et al.	Term computed
	and comments
Input: f, u	
<b>Temp. var.</b> : $t_0, t_1, t_2, t_3$	
Output: $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$	
$t_0 \leftarrow f^{-6u-5}$	# using algorithm 1
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0^p$	
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$	$(f^p f)^{-6u-5}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$	$(f^p f)^{-6u-5} f^{-6u-5}$
$t_2 \leftarrow f^p$	
$t_3 \leftarrow t_2 f$	
$t_3 \leftarrow t_3^9$	# using algorithm 1
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 t_3$	
$t_3 \leftarrow f^4$	
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 t_3$	
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2^2$	
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$	
$t_1 \leftarrow f^{p^2}$	
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_2$	$f^{p^2} (f^p f)^{-6u-5} (f^p)^2$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_1^{6u^2 + 1}$	# using algorithm 1
$t_0 \leftarrow t_2 t_0$	
$t_1 \leftarrow f^{p^3}$	
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_0$	$f^{rac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$
return $t_1$	

For this algorithm we need 4 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  to compute  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$ .

**Example 3.5** If u is chosen as in example 2.1, -6u - 5 is a 65-bit integer of Hamming weight 5 and  $6u^2 + 1$  is a 127-bit integer of Hamming weight 13. The first step costs  $64S_{12} + 4M_{12}$  and we need  $126S_{12} + 12M_{12}$  to compute the  $6u^2 + 1$ -th powering. So the total cost of the hard part of the final exponentiation, using Devegili et al. method, is  $196S_{12} + 26M_{12} + 4F_{12}$ .

## 3.4 Addition chain

In 2009 Scott et al. presented a new approach based on addition chain for computing the hard part of the final exponentiation [5]. For this they write  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$  as groups of terms having the same exponents.

$$\begin{split} f^{\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}} &= f^{\lambda_3 p^3} f^{\lambda_2 p^2} f^{\lambda_1 p} f^{\lambda_0} \\ &= f^{p^3} f^{(6u^2 + 1)p^2} f^{(-36u^3 - 18u^2 - 12u + 1)p} f^{(-36u^3 - 30u^2 - 18u - 2)} \\ &= f^{p^3} f^{p^2} \left( f^{p^2} \right)^{6u^2} (f^p)^{-36u^3} (f^p)^{-18u^2} (f^p)^{-12u} f^p f^{-36u} f^{-30u^2} f^{-18u} f^{-2} \\ &= \left[ f^p f^{p^2} f^{p^3} \right] [1/f]^2 \left[ \left( f^{u^2} \right)^{p^2} \right]^6 [1/(f^u)^p]^{12} \left[ 1/f^u \left( \left( f^{u^2} \right)^p \right) \right]^{18} \left[ 1/\left( f^{u^2} \right) \right]^{30} \\ &= \left[ 1/f^{u^3} \left( f^{u^3} \right)^p \right]^{36} . \end{split}$$

$$f^{\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}} = y_0 y_1^2 y_2^6 y_3^{12} y_4^{18} y_5^{30} y_6^{36} \tag{1}$$

where

$$y_{0} = f^{p} f^{p^{2}} f^{p^{3}}$$

$$y_{1} = 1/f$$

$$y_{2} = (f^{u^{2}})^{p^{2}}$$

$$y_{3} = (f^{u})^{p}$$

$$y_{4} = 1/f^{u} ((f^{u^{2}})^{p})$$

$$y_{5} = 1/(f^{u^{2}})$$

$$y_{6} = 1/f^{u^{3}} (f^{u^{3}})^{p}$$

Olivos algorithm allows to evaluate any expressions of this form, with a minimum of multiplications ([11] and [12] chapter 9.2).

The first point is to find an addition chain which includes the exponents appearing in (1). In this case, an optimal addition chain is given by

$$\{1, 2, \overline{3}, 6, 12, 18, 30, 36\}$$

Note that 3 appears in the addition chain but is not an exponent in (1). As mentioned by Scott, this is certainly an advantage, because it means that we have less work to do in the evaluation of (1). Expression (1) can be then computed thanks to the algorithm 5.

Algorithm 5: Addition Chain [11], [5]
Input: f, u
Temp. Var: $t_0, t_1$
Output: $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$
$t_0 \leftarrow y_6^2$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_4$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_5$
$t_1 \leftarrow y_3 y_5$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_2$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1^2$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_0$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1^2$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_1 y_1$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 y_0$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^2$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$
return $t_0$

For this algorithm, Scott et al. used only 2 temporary variables  $t_0$  and  $t_1$ , 9 multiplications and 4 squarings in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

However they first have to compute  $y_0, y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5$  and  $y_6$ . For this, they need 7 extra temporary variables and  $t_0$ . So, 9 temporary variables are necessary to compute the hard part of the final exponentiation using this method.

 $\mathbf{So}$ 

The cost of computing  $y_0, y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5$  and  $y_6$  is  $3(w_u-1)$  multiplications and  $3(l_u-1)$  squarings for computing  $f^{-u}$ ,  $f^{u^2}$  and  $f^{-u^3}$ , 7 Frobenius applications and finally 4 multiplications to multiply terms together. Remember that, as noticed in the introduction, inversions are free because f is unitary.

So, the total cost of the hard part of the final exponentiation using addition chain method is  $7F_{12}$ ,  $(3w_u + 10)M_{12}$  and  $(3l_u + 1)S_{12}$ .

**Example 3.6** If u is chosen as in example 2.1, the cost of algorithm 5 is  $190S_{12} + 19M_{12} + 7F_{12}$ . Scott et al. used 9 temporary variables to compute this result.

**Remark 3.7** Our calculation of the complexities of the two last methods allows us to recover the result obtained by practical implementations in the literature namely Scott et al. method is 5 percent faster than Devegili et al. method to compute the final exponentiation.

However, we can see than it is much more memory consuming. At the 128 bits security level the 9 temporary variables used in Scott method are representing 3.4 KB which can widely exceed the capacities of a device.

### 3.5 Fuentes et al. method

More recently, Fuentes et al. presented a new way for computing the hard part of the final exponentiation [6].

The idea of their method is to use a multiple d' of  $d = \frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}$ , (with r not dividing d'). Then they compute  $f^{d'}$  instead of computing  $f^d$  using the fact that a fixed power of a pairing is also a pairing.

They presented a lattice-based method for determining d' such that  $f^{d'}$  can be computed at least as efficiently as  $f^d$ . Thanks to LLL algorithm [13], the best vector d' that they found is given by

$$d'(u) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 p + \alpha_2 p^2 + \alpha_3 p^3 = sd(u)$$

where

$$s = 2u (6u^{2} + 3u + 1)$$
  

$$\alpha_{0} = 1 + 6u + 12u^{2} + 12u^{3}$$
  

$$\alpha_{1} = 4u + 6u^{2} + 12u^{3}$$
  

$$\alpha_{2} = 6u + 6u^{2} + 12u^{3}$$
  

$$\alpha_{3} = -1 + 4u + 6u^{2} + 12u^{3}$$

Then, they use Devegili method so they developed the power d' as follow

$$\begin{aligned} f^{d'} &= f^{\alpha_0} f^{\alpha_1 p} f^{\alpha_2 p^2} f^{\alpha_3 p^3} \\ &= \left( a f^{6u^2} f \right) (b)^p \left( a \right)^{p^2} \left( b f^{-1} \right)^{p^3} \end{aligned}$$

where  $a = f^{6u} f^{6u^2} f^{12u^3}$  and  $b = a f^{-2u}$ .

As they do not give a detailed algorithm, we will present algorithm 6 for computing  $f^{d'}$  taking into account temporary variables.

Algorithm 6:	Term computed	Cost
Fuentes et al. [6]	and comments	
Input: f, u		
<b>Output:</b> $f^{s \frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}}$		
<b>Temp. var.:</b> $t_0, t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4$		
$t_0 \leftarrow f^{-u}$		$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$		$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_1^{-u}$	$f^{6u^2}$	$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_3 \leftarrow t_1^{-1}$	$f^{6u}$	
$t_1 \leftarrow t_2 t_3$		$M_{12}$
$t_3 \leftarrow t_2^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_4 \leftarrow t_3^{-u}$		$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_4 \leftarrow t_4^{-1}$		
$t_4 \leftarrow t_4 t_1$	$f^{6u}f^{6u^2}f^{12u^3} = f^{\alpha_2}$	$M_{12}$
$t_3 \leftarrow t_4 t_0$	$f^{4u}f^{6u^2}f^{12u^3} = f^{\alpha_1}$	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_2 t_4$		$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 f$	$af^{6u^2}f = f^{\alpha_0}$	$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_3^p$		$F_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_2 t_0$		$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_4^{p^2}$		$F_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_2 t_0$		$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow f^{-1}$		
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 t_3$	$f^{lpha_3}$	$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2^{p^3}$		$F_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_2 t_0$	$\int s \frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}$	$M_{12}$
$\mathbf{return} \ t_0$		

For this algorithm we used 5 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ . The cost of this algorithm is given step by step in algorithm 6. The overall cost of computing  $f^{d'}$  is then  $3l_uS_{12} + (3w_u + 7)M_{12} + 3F_{12}$ .

Example 3.8 With the value of u chosen in example 2.1, the total cost of this algorithm is  $189S_{12} + 16M_{12} + 3F_{12}$ .

**Remark 3.9** Using this method we compute a power of a pairing. This is not a problem because a fixed power of a pairing is also a pairing. But it can be a disadvantage if we implement a standard pairing such as Optimal Ate pairing [14]. In case of interoperability and compatibility requirements, this method could be avoided.

#### 4 Variants of previous methods

In this section, we will present our contribution to the computation of the hard part of the final exponentiation. Our aim is to decrease the number of temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  required for this operation to make it friendly with restricted environments. We will present four new variants of the state of the art methods. More precisely we first write a new development of  $\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}$  to obtain a variant of Devegili's method which is not only less memory consuming but also more efficient. Then we give a new addition chain providing a variant of Scott's method requiring much less temporary variables. Finally we also write a new way to compute  $f^{d'}$  in Fuentes method and a new exponent  $d_1$  allowing to decrease the number of temporary variables required for this method.

# 4.1 New Development of $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$

In this paragraph, we present a new way to develop  $\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}$ . This development is chosen in order to bring out repeated expression in  $\lambda_0$ ,  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$ . So that we will compute them just once. The best we can do is with the exponents  $6u^2 + 1$ , -6u - 1, and -6u - 5.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_0 &= -36u^3 - 30u^2 - 18u - 2 \\ &= (-6u - 5)(6u^2 + 1) + 2(-6u - 1) + 5) \\ \lambda_1 &= -36u^3 - 30u^2 - 12u + 1 \\ &= (-6u - 5)(6u^2 + 1) + (-6u - 1) + (12u^2 + 7) \\ \lambda_2 &= 6u^2 + 1 \\ \lambda_3 &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$f^{\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}} = f^{\lambda_3} f^{\lambda_2} f^{\lambda_1} f^{\lambda_0}$$
  
=  $f^{p^3} \left( f^{6u^2 + 1} \right)^{p^2} \left( f^{-6u - 1} \right)^p \left( \left( f^{6u^2 + 1} \right)^{-6u - 5} \right)^p \left( f^7 \right)^p \left( f^{12u^2} \right)^p$   
 $\times \left( f^{6u^2 + 1} \right)^{-6u - 5} \left( f^{-6u - 1} \right)^2 f^5$ 

Practically, to compute the hard part of the final exponentiation, we use the algorithm 7 based on this new development of  $\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}$ .

In this algorithm, we compute all the terms one by one and we accumulate their product in the temporary variable  $t_1$ .

Algorithm 7: new	Term computed	Cost
variant of Devegili et al.	and comments	
Input: f, u		
Output: $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$		
<b>Temp. var.:</b> $t_0, t_1, t_2$		
$t_0 \leftarrow f^{-2u}$		$l_u S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$		$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow f^{-1}$		
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$		$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_1^p$	$\left(f^{-6u-1}\right)^p$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1^2$	$(f^{-6u-1})^2$	$S_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_2$	# accumulate	$M_{12}$
$\overline{t_2 \leftarrow (t_0)^{-u}}$		$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_2^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^p$	$\left(f^{12u^2}\right)^p$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_0$	# accumulate	$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 f$		$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow \left(t_2\right)^{p^2}$	$\left(f^{6u^2+1}\right)p^2$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$	#`accumulate	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow (t_2)^{-6u-5}$	$\left(f^{6u^2+1}\right)^{-6u-5}$	$(l_u+1)S_{12} + (w_u+1)M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_0$	# accumulate	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^p$		$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_0$	# accumulate	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow f^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_0^2$	_	$S_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow f t_2$	$f^5$	$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$	# accumulate	M <sub>12</sub>
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 t_0$		$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2^p$	$(f^{\gamma})^{p}$	$F_{12}$
$\underbrace{t_1 \leftarrow t_2 t_1}_{2}$	# accumulate	M <sub>12</sub>
$t_2 \leftarrow f^{p^\circ}$		$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$	$\int \frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}$	$M_{12}$
return t <sub>1</sub>		

For this algorithm we use only 3 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

To compute any exponentiation, as mentioned in section 2, we use algorithm 1. As -6u - 5 is a  $l_u + 2$ -bit integer of Hamming weight  $w_u + 2$  (assuming u is sparse), we need  $w_u + 1$  multiplications and  $l_u + 1$  squarings in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  to compute  $t_0^{-6u-5}$ . The cost of algorithm 7 is given step by step inside the algorithm. The overall cost to compute  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$  using our new development of  $\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}$  is  $(3l_u + 5)S_{12} + (3w_u + 12)M_{12} + 6F_{12}$ .

**Example 4.1** With the value of u chosen in example 2.1, the total cost of this algorithm is  $194S_{12}$ ,  $21M_{12}$  and  $6F_{12}$ .

This new development is a variant of Devegili et al. method, so we compare them in table 1.

Method	Complexity		Temp. var.	
	$S_{12}$	$M_{12}$	$F_{12}$	
Devegili et al.	$3l_u + 7$	$3w_u + 17$	4	4
(algorithm 4)				
New development	$3l_u + 5$	$3w_u + 12$	6	3
(algorithm 7)				

Table 1: Comparison between Devegili and our new development

**Example 4.2** To complete the comparison, we choose the particular value of u given in example 2.1. We get the table 2.

The Method	Complexity	Temp. var.
Devegili et al. method	$196 S_{12} + 26M_{12} + 4F_{12}$	4
New Development	$194 S_{12} + 21M_{12} + 6F_{12}$	3

Table 2: Example of Table 1.

If we compare the complexity of our algorithm with Devegili et al. one [4], we can easily remark that we save 5 multiplications and 2 squarings. We have two extra Frobenius map applications but this is not a problem because the cost of 2 Frobenius is less than the cost of one multiplication. We also remark that our new algorithm use only 3 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  instead of 4 which was our initial goal.

## 4.2 New Addition Chain

In this section, we are interested in improving the addition chain method presented by Scott et al. especially in term of memory usage. The idea of this variant is to present  $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$  as a product of terms whose exponents are smaller than the exponents appearing in the expression presented by Scott et al. in [5]. This allows to use less temporary variables for computing the hard part of the final exponentiation.

$$\begin{aligned} f^{\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}} &= f^{\lambda_3 p^3} f^{\lambda_2 p^2} f^{\lambda_1 p} f^{\lambda_0} \\ &= f^{p^3} f^{(6u^2 + 1)p^2} f^{(-36u^3 - 18u^2 - 12u + 1)p} f^{-36u^3 - 30u^2 - 18u - 2} \\ &= f^{p^3} f^{p^2} \left( (f^{u^2})^{p^2} \right)^6 (f^p)^{-36u^3} (f^p)^{-18u^2} (f^p)^{-12u} f^p f^{-36u^3} f^{-30u^2} f^{-18u} f^{-2} \\ &= \left[ f^p f^{p^2} f^{p^3} \right] \left[ \left( f^{3u^2} \right)^{p^2} f^{-1} f^{-6u^2} \right]^2 \left[ (f^p f)^{-4u} f^{-2u} \right]^3 \left[ (f^p f)^{-6u^3} (f^p f)^{-3u^2} \right]^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

Using the following precomputations

$$y_{0} = f^{p} f^{p^{2}} f^{p^{3}},$$
  

$$y_{1} = (f^{3u^{2}})^{p^{2}} f^{-1} f^{-6u^{2}},$$
  

$$y_{2} = (f^{p} f)^{-4u} f^{-2u},$$
  

$$y_{3} = (f^{p} f)^{-6u^{3}} (f^{p} f)^{-3u^{2}}$$

expression (2) becomes

$$f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}} = y_0 y_1^2 y_2^3 y_3^6.$$
(3)

To compute  $y_0, y_1, y_2$  and  $y_3$  we propose algorithm 8.

Algorithm 8: precomputations	Term	Cost
for new addition chain	computed	
Input: f, u		
<b>Temp. var.</b> : $y_0, y_1, y_2, y_3, t_0$		
<b>Output:</b> $y_0, y_1, y_2, y_3$		
$t_0 \leftarrow f^{-u}$		$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$y_3 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$y_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_3$	$f^{-3u}$	$M_{12}$
$y_2 \leftarrow y_3^p$		$F_{12}$
$y_2 \leftarrow y_3 y_2$		$M_{12}$
$y_2 \leftarrow y_2^2$		$S_{12}$
$y_2 \leftarrow y_3 y_2$	$y_2$	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow y_0^{-u}$		$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$y_0 \leftarrow f^{-1}$		
$y_1 \leftarrow t_0^{p^2}$		$F_{12}$
$y_1 \leftarrow y_0 y_1$	$(f^{3u^2})^{p^2}f^{-1}$	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^{-1}$		12
$y_3 \leftarrow t_0^p$		$F_{12}$
$y_3 \leftarrow t_0 y_3$	$(f^p f)^{-3u^2}$	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$y_1 \leftarrow t_0 y_1$	$y_1$	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow y_3^{-u}$		$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^{-1}$		
$y_3 \leftarrow t_0 y_3$	$y_3$	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow f^p$		$F_{12}$
$y_0 \leftarrow f^{p^2}$		$ F_{12} $
$y_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_0$		$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow f^{p^3}$		$ F_{12} $
$y_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_0$	$y_0$	$M_{12}$
return $y_0, y_1, y_2, y_3$		

For this algorithm we use only 5 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ . The cost of these precomputations is given step by step inside algorithm 8 and the overall cost is  $(3l_u + 1)S_{12} + (3w_u + 6)M_{12} + 6F_{12}$ .

Thanks to Olivos algorithm, we can now easily compute the expression (3). The starting point is to find an addition chain where these exponents appear. In our case, it is not hard to see that an optimal addition chain is given by

 $\{1, 2, 3, 6\}$ 

Now we carry out Olivos algorithm and we obtain, as a result, the following addition vectors,

 $\begin{array}{c}(1,\ 0,\ 0,\ 0)\\(0,\ 1,\ 0,\ 0)\\(0,\ 0,\ 1,\ 0)\\(0,\ 0,\ 0,\ 1)\\(2,\ 0,\ 0,\ 0)\\(2,\ 1,\ 0,\ 0)\\(2,\ 1,\ 0,\ 1)\\(2,\ 1,\ 1,\ 0)\\(4,\ 2,\ 2,\ 0)\\(6,\ 3,\ 2,\ 1)\end{array}$ 

This allows to evaluate the expression (3) thanks to algorithm 9, without using any new temporary variable.

Algorithm 9: New addition chain
<b>Input:</b> $f, y_0, y_1, y_2, y_3$
Output: $f^{\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}}$
Temp. var.: $t_0$
$t_0 \leftarrow y_3^2$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_2$
$y_3 \leftarrow t_0 y_0$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_1$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^2$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 y_3$
return $t_0$

For this algorithm we have to perform 4 multiplications and 2 squarings to compute the final result in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

So the total cost of the hard part of the final exponentiation (which is the combined cost of algorithms 8 and 9) using this new addition chain is 6 Frobenius,  $3w_u + 10$  multiplications and  $3l_u + 3$  squarings in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

**Example 4.3** With the value of u chosen in example 2.1, the cost of the new addition chain method is  $19M_{12} + 192S_{12} + 6F_{12}$ . However we use only 5 temporary variables.

In table 3, we compare Scott et al addition chain and our new addition chain.

Method	Complexity		Temp. var.	
	$S_{12}$	$M_{12}$	$F_{12}$	
Scott addition chain	$3l_u + 1$	$3w_u + 10$	7	9
(algorithm 5)				
New addition chain	$3l_u + 3$	$3w_u + 10$	6	5
(algorithm 9)				

Table 3: Comparison between addition chains

**Example 4.4** To have a full comparison, we choose the particular value of u given in example 2.1. We get the table 4.

Method	Complexity	Temp. var.
Scott addition Chain	$190 S_{12} + 19M_{12} + 7F_{12}$	9
New addition Chain	$192 S_{12} + 19M_{12} + 6F_{12}$	5

Table 4: Example of Table 3

In these tables we can easily remark that our new addition chain requires 2 extra squarings but we save one Frobenius. This means that our algorithm is slightly less efficient than Scott's one. However we save 4 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  which is an important improvement for implementations in restricted environments.

## 4.3 Variant of Fuentes Method

In this paragraph we present a new way of developing the exponent d' presented in Fuentes et al. paper [6]. The main idea of this development is to make  $6u^2 + 1$ appear in  $\alpha_2$  and  $\alpha_0$ , and then to write  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_3$  in terms of  $\alpha_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_2 &= 12u^3 + 6u^2 + 6u \\ &= (6u^2 + 1)(2u + 1) + 4u - 1 \\ \alpha_1 &= \alpha_2 - 2u \\ \alpha_0 &= \alpha_2 + 6u^2 + 1 \\ \alpha_3 &= \alpha_1 - 1. \end{aligned}$$

To evaluate  $f^{d'}$  we apply algorithm 10.

Algorithm 10: new	Term Computed	Cost
variant of Fuentues et al.	and comments	
Input: f, u		
Output: $f^{s \frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}}$		
<b>Temp. var.:</b> $t_0, t_1, t_2, t_3$		
$t_0 \leftarrow f^{-u}$		$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_0^{-u}$	$f^{2u^2}$	$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_2^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$	$f^{6u^2}$	$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 f$	$f^{6u^2+1}$	$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_2^{-2u-1}$	$\left(f^{6u^2+1}\right)^{-2u-1}$	$l_u S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_3 \leftarrow t_1^{-1}$		
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0^2$	$f^{-4u}$	
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 f_1$		$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1^{-1}$	$f^{4u-1}$	
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_3$	$f^{\alpha_2}$	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$	$f^{\alpha_1} = f^{\alpha_2 - 2u}$	$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$	$f^{\alpha_0} = f^{\alpha_2 + 6u^2 + 1}$	$M_{12}$
$t_3 \leftarrow t_1^{p^2}$		$F_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 t_3$	$\left(f^{\alpha_2}\right)^{p^2} f^{\alpha_0}$	$M_{12}$
$t_3 \leftarrow f^{-1}$		
$t_3 \leftarrow t_0 t_3$	$f^{\alpha_3} = f^{\alpha_1 - 1}$	$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_3^{p^3}$	$(f^{\alpha_3})^{p^3}$	$F_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$		$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0^p$	$(f^{\alpha_1})^p$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$	$f^{d'}$	M <sub>12</sub>
return $t_1$		

For this algorithm we used 4 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

As -2u-1 is a  $l_u + 1$ -bit integer of Hamming weight  $w_u$  (assuming u is sparse), we need  $w_u - 1$  multiplications and  $l_u$  squarings in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  to compute  $t_2^{-2u-1}$ . The cost to compute  $f^{d'}$  is given step by step inside algorithm 10. The overall cost of this algorithm is then  $(3w_u + 7)M_{12}$ ,  $3l_uS_{12}$  and  $3F_{12}$ .

**Example 4.5** With the value of u chosen in example 2.1, the cost of the new development of Fuentes method is  $16M_{12} + 189S_{12} + 3F_{12}$ . We use only 4 temporary variables to compute a multiple of the hard part of the final exponentiation.

## 4.4 New Multiple of d

As described in Fuentes et al. paper, we can find many multiples d' of the exponent d involved in the hard part of the final exponentiation.

In order to minimize the number of operations, Fuentes et al. imposed the condition that the largest coefficient of d' is 12. In our case we relax this constraint but we impose a constant vector among the  $\alpha_i$  to use less temporary variables.

With this constraint, a brute force search of linear combinations of the LLL

basis [13] provides 4 non-zeros vectors. Among these vectors, we consider the following one,

(0, 6, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 36, 24, 18, 1, 36, 18, 12, -2)

which corresponds to the multiple

$$d_1 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 p + \alpha_2 p^2 + \alpha_3 p^3 = s_1 d$$

where

$$s_1 = 36u^3 + 18u^2 + 6u + 1$$
  

$$\alpha_0 = 6u^2 + 1$$
  

$$\alpha_1 = 1$$
  

$$\alpha_2 = 36u^3 + 24u^2 + 18u + 1$$
  

$$\alpha_3 = 36u^3 + 18u^2 + 12u - 2$$

So that,

 $f^{d_1} = f^{\alpha_0} f^{\alpha_0 p} f^{\alpha_0 p^2} f^{\alpha_0 p^3}$ 

Let us now write the  $\alpha_i$  in a simpler way. For this, we use the same technique as in section 4.1 to compute  $f^{d_1}$  efficiently. The following development is chosen because the three exponents  $6u^2 + 1$ , 6u - 1 and 6u + 4 are used several times but we will compute them just once.

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_2 &= 36u^3 + 24u^2 + 18u + 2 \\ &= (6u + 4) (6u^2 + 1) + 2 (6u - 1) - 1 \\ \alpha_3 &= 36u^3 + 18u^2 + 12u - 2 \\ &= (6u + 4) (6u^2 + 1) - (6u^2 + 1) + (6u - 1) - 4 \\ \alpha_0 &= 6u^2 + 1 \\ \alpha_1 &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $f^{d_1}$  becomes

$$f^{s_1 \frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}} = f^{\alpha_0} f^{\alpha_0 p} f^{\alpha_0 p^2} f^{\alpha_0 p^3}$$
  
=  $f^{6u^2 + 1} f^p \left( f^{(6u^2 + 1)(6u + 4)} \right)^{p^2} \left( f^{2(6u - 1)} f^{-1} \right)^{p^2} \left( f^{(6u^2 + 1)(6u + 4)} \right)^{p^3}$   
 $\left( f^{-(6u^2 + 1)} \right)^{p^3} \left( f^{6u - 1} f^{-4} \right)^{p^3}.$  (4)

In algorithm 11, we compute all the terms of (4) one by one and we accumulate their product in the temporary variable  $t_1$ .

Algorithm 11: new	Term computed	Cost
multiple of $d$	and comments	
Input: $f, u$		
<b>Output:</b> $f^{s_1} \frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}$		
<b>Temp. var.:</b> $t_0, t_1, t_2$		
$t_0 \leftarrow f^{-u}$		$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_0^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_0 t_1$	$f^{-6u}$	$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow f t_1$		$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow f^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2^2$		$S_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$		$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2^{-1}$	$f^{6u-1}f^{-4}$	
$t_2 \leftarrow t_2^{p^3}$	$(f^{6u-1}f^{-4})^{p^3}$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1^2$		S <sub>12</sub>
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 f$		$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1^{-1}$	$f^{2(6u-1)}f^{-1}$	
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1^{p^2}$	$\left(f^{2(6u-1)}f^{-1}\right)^{p^2}$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_2$	# accumulate	M <sub>12</sub>
$t_2 \leftarrow t_0^{-u}$	2	$(l_u - 1)S_{12} + (w_u - 1)M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow f t_2$	$f^{6u^2+1}$	$M_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_2 t_1$	# accumulate	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow t_2^{-1}$		
$t_2 \leftarrow t_0^{p^3}$	$\left(f^{-(6u^2+1)}\right)^{p^3}$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_2$	# accumulate	$M_{12}$
$\frac{1}{t_2 \leftarrow t_0^{-6u-4}}$		$\frac{12}{(l_u+1)S_{12}+(w_u+1)M_{12}}$
$t_0 \leftarrow (t_2)^{p^2}$	$\left(f^{(6u^2+1)(6u+4)}\right)^{p^2}$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_0$	# accumulate	$M_{12}$
$t_2 \leftarrow t_0^p$	$\left(f^{(6u^2+1)(6u+4)}\right)^{p^3}$	$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_2$	# accumulate	$M_{12}$
$t_0 \leftarrow f^p$		$F_{12}$
$t_1 \leftarrow t_1 t_0$	$f^{d_2}$	$M_{12}$
return $t_1$		

For this algorithm we used only 3 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ . The cost of computing  $f^{d_1}$  is detailed in algorithm 11.

As -6u-4 is a  $l_u+2$ -bit integer of Hamming weight  $w_u+2$  (assuming u is sparse), we need  $w_u + 1$  multiplications and  $l_u + 1$  squarings in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  to compute  $t_0^{-6u-4}$ . The cost of the computation of  $f^{d_1}$  is given step by step inside algorithm 11. The overall cost of this algorithm is then  $3l_u + 4$  squarings,  $3w_u + 10$  multiplications and 6 Frobenius in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

**Example 4.6** With the value of u chosen in example 2.1, the cost of computing our new multiple of the hard part of the final exponentiation is  $19M_{12}+193S_{12}+6F_{12}$  and we use only 3 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

Method	C	Temp. var.		
	$S_{12}$	$M_{12}$	$F_{12}$	
Fuentes	$3l_u$	$3w_u + 7$	3	5
(algorithm 6)				
New development of $d'$	$3l_u$	$3w_u + 7$	3	4
(algorithm 10)				
New multiple of d	$3l_u + 4$	$3w_u + 10$	6	3
(algorithm 11)				

The last two methods are variants of Fuentes et al method, so we compare them in the table 5.

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**Example 4.7** To have a full comparison, we choose the particular value of u given in example 2.1. We get table 6.

Method	Complexity	Temp. var.
Fuentes Method	$16M_{12} + 189S_{12} + 3F_{12}$	5
New development of $d'$	$16M_{12} + 189S_{12} + 3F_{12}$	4
New multiple of d	$19M_{12} + 193S_{12} + 6F_{12}$	3

Table 6: Example of Table 5

Through these tables, we remark that using the new development of the multiple d', presented by Fuentes et al., we get the same complexity as Fuentes et al. method but we save memory resources. We can save more memory resources if we consider the new multiple of  $\frac{p^4 - p^2 + 1}{r}$  presented in this section but at the cost of some additional operations in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ .

## 5 Comparison

In this section we will compare state of the art methods of computing the hard part of the final exponentiation with our results in terms of efficiency but also in terms of memory usage. We first recall the complexity results obtained in this paper in table 7.

					Complexity	Temp.
Method	Algo	Complexity		for $u$ as in	var.	
		$S_{12}$	$M_{12}$	$ F_{12} $	example 2.1	in $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$
Naive	1	$12l_u$	$100w_u$		$759S_{12} + 306M_{12}$	1
Lucas sequence	2	(121	$(u+4)M_6+$		$761S_6 + 763M_6$	2
		$(12l_u$	$(+2)S_6 + I_6$		$+I_6$	
Devegili	4	$3l_u + 7$	$3w_u + 17$	4	$196S_{12} + 26M_{12}$	4
					$+4F_{12}$	
Our variant	7	$3l_u + 5$	$3w_u + 12$	6	$194\mathrm{S_{12}} + 21\mathrm{M_{12}}$	3
					$+6F_{12}$	
Addition chain	5	$3l_u + 1$	$3w_u + 10$	7	$190S_{12} + 19M_{12}$	9
					$+7F_{12}$	
Our variant	8+9	$3l_u + 3$	$3w_u + 10$	6	$192 {\bf S_{12}} + 19 {\bf M_{12}}$	5
					$+6F_{12}$	
Fuentes	6	$3l_u$	$3w_u + 7$	3	$189S_{12} + 16M_{12}$	5
					$+3F_{12}$	
Our variant	10	$3l_u$	$3w_u + 7$	3	$189{\rm S_{12}} + 16{\rm M_{12}}$	4
					$+3F_{12}$	
New multiple	11	$3l_u + 4$	$3w_u + 10$	6	$193{\bf S_{12}}+19{\bf M_{12}}$	3
					$+6F_{12}$	

Table 7: Comparison of complexities to compute the hard part of the final exponentiation.

To obtain a more precise comparison we need to choose an extension tower so that we will be able to express all the complexities in term of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  arithmetic. For this we choose the curve and the extension tower usually used in the literature. But another choice would certainly not change the final result. We choose the u given in example 2.1 and E the elliptic curve defined over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  by

$$E: y^2 = x^3 + 2.$$

In this case -1 is not a square and (1 + i) is neither a cube nor a square. So  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  is build using the following extension tower.

- $\mathbb{F}_{p^2} = \mathbb{F}_p[i]/(i^2+1)$
- $\mathbb{F}_{p^6} = \mathbb{F}_{p^2}[v]/(v^3 (1+i))$
- $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}} = \mathbb{F}_{p^6}[z]/(z^2 v)$

In this case the cost of arithmetic operations in  $\mathbb{F}_p$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$  and  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  are given by table 8 [15].

Operation	Notation	Cost in $\mathbb{F}_p$
Multiplication in $\mathbb{F}_p$	M	M
Squaring in $\mathbb{F}_p$	S	S
Inversion in $\mathbb{F}_p$	Ι	Ι
Multiplication in $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$	$M_2$	3 M
Squaring in $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$	$S_2$	2 M
Multiplication in $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$	$M_6$	18M
Squaring in $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$	$S_6$	12M
Inversion in $\mathbb{F}_{p^6}$	$I_6$	37 M + I
Multiplication in $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$	$M_{12}$	54M
Cyclotomic squaring in $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$	$S_{12}$	18M
Frobenius in $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$	$F_{12}$	15M

Table 8: Operations cost in the extension tower

In this paper, we are not only interested in complexity but also in memory usage. Then we have to determine the number of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  variables required for each algorithm. Our estimation is based on the fact that a temporary variable in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$ requires 12 temporary variables in  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . But this is not sufficient since additional temporary variables are required during  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  operations. It is not difficult to see that at least 10 of them are necessary for a multiplication and less than 10 for other operations (squaring, Frobenius, inversion). Moreover the input element f is an element of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  and then requires 12 elements in  $\mathbb{F}_p$  to be stored. This means that 22 variables in  $\mathbb{F}_p$  are necessary in addition to the  $\mathbb{F}_{p^{12}}$  temporary variables used in the algorithms presented in this paper. Note that depending on the context the variables used for storing f could be reused for computations. However, making such an assumption does not change the conclusions of our study.

Assuming this particular (but wide-spread) context, Let us now give in table 9 the cost of the algorithms studied in this paper in terms of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  arithmetic.

Method	Algorithm	Cost in $\mathbb{F}_p$	Cost	Temp.	Memory
		_	saving	var. in $\mathbb{F}_p$	saving
Naive	1	30186M		34	
Lucas Sequence	2	I + 22903 M		46	
Devigili	4	4992 M		70	
Our variant	7	$4716\mathrm{M}$	5.5%	58	17%
Addition chain	5	4551M		130	
Our variant	8+9	$4572\mathrm{M}$	-0.4%	82	<b>37</b> %
Fuentes method	6	4311 M		82	
Our variant	10	$4311\mathrm{M}$	0%	70	15%
New multiple	11	$4590\mathrm{M}$	-6.4%	58	<b>29</b> %

Table 9: Comparison and savings obtained by our variants in terms of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  arithmetic

## 6 Conclusion

In restricted environments we must find a balance between efficiency and memory resources. In this paper we suggested four new methods for the implementation of the hard part of the final exponentiation in the computing of the Tate pairings and its derivates, which are faster or competitive, generally applicable and which require less memory than previous methods in the literature.

We first presented a new development of the exponent  $\frac{p^4-p^2+1}{r}$  which is a variant of Devegili et al. method. This new development is certainly faster than the method described in [4]. Moreover, the memory resources of this new method are significantly less than the memory resources of Devegili et al. method.

Then, we presented a new addition chain which is a variant of Scott et al. addition chain [5]. By presenting this new addition chain we save an important number of temporary variables but our algorithm is insignificantly slower.

We also presented a new way of writing the exponent d' presented by Fuentes et al. where we use less temporary variables to compute  $f^{d'}$ . Finally we produced a new multiple  $d_1$  of d such that the computation of  $f^{d'}$  requires less memory resources but, in this case, our algorithm is also slightly slower. We implemented our new algorithms in Sage [?] to verify their correctness [?].

As a conclusion, our new methods for computing the hard part of the final exponentiation are in some cases more efficient and in others cases slightly slower than previous methods in the literature but they are always less memory intensive. For that our methods are an interesting alternative for pairing implementation in restricted environments.

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