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# Side Channel Counter-Measures based on Randomized AMNS Modular Multiplication\*

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## Abstract

The paper presents counter-measures based on dynamic randomization against side channel analysis like differential and correlation power analysis. The building block of the proposed counter-measure is a randomization of the modular multiplication in AMNS for a prime  $p$ . We use this randomized modular multiplication to inject randomization during the whole computation in DSA exponentiation and Co-Z elliptic curve scalar multiplication. We analyze the level of randomization injected and, through implementations results, we evaluate the penalty in terms of performance of the proposed counter-measures.

## 1 Introduction

Modern cryptographic protocols like Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA) (NIST.FIPS.186.4, 2012), Elliptic Cryptography (ECC) (Miller, 1986; Koblitz, 1987) or post-quantum SIDH (Jao and Feo, 2011) necessitate to perform hundreds of multiplications modulo a prime integer  $p$ . Such modular multiplications involve quite large integers : 256 to 500 bits for ECC and SIDH and 2000 bits to 8000 bits for DSA. Computing a modular multiplication modulo  $p$  consists in first computing a product of integers  $C = A \times B$  which produces  $C$  of size  $p^2$ . The product  $C$  is reduced to an integer  $R$  of size  $p$  by subtracting a multiple of  $p$  which clears out parts of the bits of  $C$ . Indeed, in Barrett approach (Barrett, 1987) computing  $R = C - pQ$  clears out the most significant bits of  $C$ , whereas in Montgomery approach (Montgomery, 1985) computing  $R = C - pQ$  clears out the least significant bit, in this latter case the output is  $R/\phi \equiv AB\phi^{-1} \pmod{p}$  where  $\phi$  is a power 2.

Alternative number system can be used to improve such modular multiplication. Indeed, in the Adapted Modular Number System (Bajard et al., 2004) for a prime  $p$ , the elements are represented with a larger radix  $\gamma$  modulo  $p$  than the usual  $2^m$ -radix for multi-precision integer representation. The initial goal of the ANMNS was to simplify carry propagation in integer multiplications and reductions. Recently (Didier et al., 2019), it was shown that the Montgomery-like approach for modular multiplication in AMNS was competitive compared to state of the art approaches.

Cryptographic protocols can be threaten by side channel analysis when they are executed on an embedded device. Indeed when monitoring either power consumption (Kocher et al., 1999), electronic emanation (Mangard, 2003) or computation time (Kocher, 1996), it is possible to recover part of the secret data involved in the computation. For example Differential Power Analysis (DPA) (Kocher et al., 1999) or Correlation Power Analysis (CPA) (Brier et al., 2004; Clavier et al., 2010) guess some secret bits, and they check if this guess leads to data correlated to leaked out power consumption. The main strategy to counteract these attacks consists in randomizing the data involved in cryptographic computation, which reduces the correlation between the secret data and the power consumption or electronic emanation. The main methods for randomizing data (i.e. integer modulo  $p$  or exponent in DSA) consists in masking data with additive mask (Tunstall and Joye, 2010; Clavier et al., 2010) or multiplicative mask, but this induces additional computations and penalty in terms of performance. At SECRYPT 2016, the method proposed in (Lesavourey et al., 2016) combines Montgomery and Barrett modular multiplication to induces multiplicative mask of the form  $2^t$  with random  $t$ . The interest of this approach is that it is almost free of computation, and it produces a mask which randomly changes during the whole computation.

*Contributions.* In this paper we extend the approach presented at SECRYPT 2016 (Lesavourey et al., 2016) to the case of modular arithmetic in AMNS for a prime  $p$ . Since this requires a combination of Barrett and

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\*extended version of the paper of SECRYPT 2021 containing the proofs of the validity of Barrett multiplication in AMNS.

Montgomery approach of modular multiplication we first establishes the validity of the Barrett-like modular multiplication in AMNS which was sketched in (Plantard, 2005). Then we provide a randomized version of both Montgomery-like (resp. Barrett-like) multiplication in AMNS producing multiplicative mask  $\phi^{-1}\gamma^{-s}$  (resp.  $\gamma^{-s}$ ) for a random  $s$ . The proposed randomization does not induce a significant penalty in terms of performance. Afterwards we present modular exponentiation for DSA and scalar multiplication on elliptic curve both using the proposed randomized multiplication to produce multiplicative random mask during the whole computation. We evaluate the level of randomization produced by the proposed approach and also present implementation results.

*Organization of the paper.* In Section 2 we review Barrett-like and Montgomery-like modular multiplication in an AMNS and we establish the validity of the Barrett-like modular multiplication in an AMNS. In Section 3 we present a strategy to randomized Barrett-like and Montgomery-like modular multiplication in AMNS. In Section 4 we adapt the Montgomery ladder for modular exponentiation in order to use the proposed randomized AMNS multiplications. In Section 5 we present a randomization of scalar multiplication on elliptic curve over a prime field based on the randomized multiplication in AMNS. In the last section we give some concluding remarks.

## 2 Arithmetic in Adapted Modular Number System

In this section we review the Adapted Modular Number System and related algorithms for multiplication modulo a prime integer  $p$ .

### 2.1 Definition

Arithmetic of integers are generally based on radix representation : in radix  $\beta$  an integer  $A$  is expressed as  $A = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \beta^i$  where  $0 \leq a_i < \beta$ . On computers the radix  $\beta$  is generally chosen as  $\beta = 2^w$  where  $w$  is the word size of the computer. In 2004 (Bajard et al., 2004), Bajard, Imbert and Plantard introduced an Adapted Modular Number System to represent integers modulo  $p$ . This system somehow extends the radix representation to a larger set of radix  $\gamma \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ . The definition of an AMNS is given below.

**Definition 1** (AMNS (Bajard et al., 2004)). *An Adapted Modular Number System  $\mathcal{B} = (p, n, \rho, \gamma, \lambda)$  is such that*

- i)  $p$  is prime integer.
- ii)  $n$  is the number of coefficients of the system.
- iii)  $\rho$  the upper bound of the absolute value of the coefficients.
- iv)  $\gamma$  is the radix of the system and  $\lambda$  is a small integer such that

$$\gamma^n = \lambda \pmod{p}. \quad (1)$$

- v) Any integer  $A$  modulo  $p$  can be written as

$$A \equiv \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \gamma^i \pmod{p} \text{ with } |a_i| < \rho.$$

The elements of an AMNS are seen as degree  $n-1$  polynomials  $A(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i X^i$  in  $X$  with coefficients smaller than  $\rho$ . To get their integer expression we have to evaluate  $A(X)$  at  $\gamma$  modulo  $p$ .

**Example 1.** *We illustrate the fact that the quadruplet  $(p, n, \rho, \gamma, \lambda) = (19, 3, 2, 7, 1)$  is an AMNS. One can check that*

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma^n \pmod{p} &= 7^3 \pmod{19} \\ &= 1 = \lambda \end{aligned}$$

*In Table 1 we provide the representative of all elements modulo 19 in this system. To check the reported values one can use that  $7^2 \pmod{19} = 11$*

*In particular, we can check that if we evaluate  $(-1 + X + X^2)$  in  $\gamma$ , we have  $-1 + \gamma + \gamma^2 = -1 + 7 + 49 = 55 \equiv 17 \pmod{19}$ . We have also  $\deg(-1 + X + X^2) = 2 < 3$  and  $\| -1 + X + X^2 \|_{\infty} = 1 < \rho$ .*

Table 1: The elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_{19}$  in  $\mathcal{B} = \text{AMNS}(p = 19, n = 3, \rho = 2, \gamma = 7, \lambda = 1)$

0	1	2	3	4
0	1	$1-X-X^2$	$-1-X+X^2$	$-X+X^2$
5	6	7	8	9
$1-X+X^2$	$-1+X$	$X$	$-X^2$	$1-X^2$
10	11	12	13	14
$-1+X^2$	$-X^2$	$-X$	$1-X$	$-1+X-X^2$
15	16	17	18	
$1-X-X^2$	$1+X-X^2$	$-1+X+X^2$	$-1$	

## 2.2 AMNS Lattice and short polynomial

Given an AMNS  $\mathcal{B} = (p, n, \gamma, \lambda)$  the authors in (Nègre and Plantard, 2008) define the following rank  $n$  lattice

$$\mathcal{L}_{p,n,\rho,\gamma,\lambda} = \{V(X) \in \mathbb{Z}[X] \text{ s.t. } \deg V(X) < n \text{ and } V(\gamma) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}\}$$

A lattice can be seen as integer linear combinations of vector in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ . Below we provide a basis of the lattice  $\mathcal{L}_{p,n,\rho,\gamma,\lambda}$ :

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -\gamma & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -\gamma^2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ -\gamma^{n-2} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ -\gamma^{n-1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow p \\ \leftarrow X - \gamma \\ \leftarrow X^2 - \gamma^2 \\ \vdots \\ \leftarrow X^{n-2} - \gamma^{n-2} \\ \leftarrow X^{n-1} - \gamma^{n-1} \end{matrix}$$

The above basis tells us that the volume of the lattice is

$$\det(\mathbf{B}) = p.$$

With Minkowsky's inequality, the authors (Nègre and Plantard, 2008) then obtained a short non-zero vector (or polynomial) in  $\mathcal{L}_{p,n,\rho,\gamma,\lambda}$  by applying a reduction algorithm such as LLL (Lenstra et al., 1982) or BKZ (Schnorr and Euchner, 1994):

$$M = m_0 + m_1X + \dots + m_{n-1}X^{n-1} \quad (2)$$

such at

$$\|M\|_\infty \cong \sqrt[n]{\det(\mathcal{L}_{p,n,\gamma,\lambda})} = \sqrt[n]{p}$$

which satisfies  $M(\gamma) = 0 \pmod{p}$ .

## 2.3 Montgomery-Like Multiplication in AMNS

The condition *iv*) on  $\gamma$  in Definition 1 is meant to ease the multiplication modulo  $p$  in the AMNS. Indeed, let us call  $E$  the polynomial  $X^n - \lambda$ : this means that, from condition *iv*) in Definition 1,  $\gamma$  is a root of the polynomial  $E$  in  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ . As described in (Bajard et al., 2004) a multiplication of two elements in AMNS consists of a polynomial multiplication modulo  $E(X) = X^n - \lambda$

$$C(X) = A(X) \times B(X) \pmod{E(X)}$$

and a reduction of the coefficients. Since  $\|A\|_\infty, \|B\|_\infty < \rho$ , the coefficients of  $C$  lie in the interval  $]-n\rho^2\lambda, n\rho^2\lambda[$ , they must be reduced such that they have absolute value smaller than  $\rho$ .

A first method to reduce the coefficient was proposed in (Nègre and Plantard, 2008), this approach use the short polynomial  $M(X)$  of (2) which satisfies  $M(\gamma) = 0 \pmod{p}$  and  $\|M\|_\infty$  is small. This method is depicted in Algorithm 1: it computes  $Q$  such that the lower parts of the coefficient  $(C + Q \times M) \pmod{E}$  are all zero (or equivalently are equal to 0 modulo  $\phi = 2^k$ ). But adding  $Q \times M$  modulo  $E$  does not change the value modulo  $p$  since  $M(\gamma) = 0 \pmod{p}$  and  $E(\gamma) = 0 \pmod{p}$ . At the end the polynomial

$$R = (C + Q \times M \pmod{E}) / \phi$$

evaluated at  $\gamma$  leads to

$$R(\gamma) = C(\gamma)\phi^{-1} \pmod{p} = A(\gamma) \times B(\gamma)\phi^{-1} \pmod{p}.$$

The authors in (Nègre and Plantard, 2008) showed that the above algorithm output  $R$  in the AMNS (i.e. with  $\|R\|_\infty < \rho$ ) under the following condition

$$\rho > 2|\lambda|n\sigma \quad \text{and} \quad \phi > 2|\lambda|n\rho$$

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**Algorithm 1** AMNS\_MonMul

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**Require:**  $A, B \in \mathcal{B} = \text{AMNS}(p, n, \gamma, \lambda, \rho)$  with  $E = X^n - \lambda M$  such that  $M(\gamma) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  an integer  $\phi$  and  $M' = -M^{-1} \pmod{(E, \phi)}$

**Ensure:**  $R$  such that  $R(\gamma) = A(\gamma)B(\gamma)\phi^{-1} \pmod{p}$

1:  $C \leftarrow A \times B \pmod{E}$

2:  $Q \leftarrow C \times M' \pmod{(E, \phi)}$

3:  $R \leftarrow (C + Q \times M \pmod{E})/\phi$

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## 2.4 Barrett-Like Multiplication in AMNS

A second approach to perform the reduction of the coefficients in an AMNS multiplication was proposed in (Plantard, 2005). This method adapts the Barrett method (Barrett, 1987) to the case of multiplication in AMNS. This approach use the short polynomial  $M$  defined in (2) to reduce the upper part of the coefficients of the following polynomial:

$$C = A(X) \times B(X) \pmod{E(X)}.$$

The method of (Plantard, 2005) is shown in Algorithm 2, this method computes a polynomial  $Q$  such that in  $C - ((Q \times M) \pmod{E})$  the most significant bits of the coefficients are set to zero. In the sequel we will assume  $\beta = 2$ , indeed, in this case a division by power of  $\beta$  is just a right shift.

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**Algorithm 2** AMNS\_BarMul

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**Require:**  $A(X), B(X)$  two elements in an AMNS  $(p, n, \rho, \gamma, \lambda)$ , a radix  $\beta$ , a polynomial  $M$  such that  $M(\gamma) = 0 \pmod{p}$  and  $V = \lfloor (M^{-1} \pmod{E}) \times \beta^{2k} \rfloor$

**Ensure:**  $R$  such that  $R(\gamma) = A(\gamma) \times B(\gamma) \pmod{p}$ .

1:  $C \leftarrow (A \times B) \pmod{E}$

2:  $U \leftarrow \lfloor C/\beta^{k-1} \rfloor$

3:  $W \leftarrow (U \times V) \pmod{E}$

4:  $Q \leftarrow \lfloor W/\beta^{k+1} \rfloor$

5:  $R \leftarrow C - ((Q \times M) \pmod{E})$

6: **return** ( $R$ )

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To the best of our knowledge the validity of Algorithm 2 has never been thoroughly established. We provide a proof of the validity of Algorithm 2 in the following lemma, for  $\rho = \beta^k$ , under some condition on the size of  $\beta^k$ .

**Lemma 1.** *If we assume that the input  $A$  and  $B$  in Algorithm 2 satisfy  $\|A\|_\infty < \rho$  and  $\|B\|_\infty < \rho$  with  $\rho = \beta^k$  and if we further assume the following:*

$$\rho > 2n^2\lambda^2\|M\|_\infty$$

*then, the polynomial  $R$  output by Algorithm 2 satisfies  $\|R\|_\infty < \rho$  and  $R(\gamma) = A(\gamma) \times B(\gamma) \pmod{p}$ .*

The following proof is a bit technical, the reader interested by the main results of the paper may skip it.

*Proof.* We proceed in two steps: in Step 1, we show that  $R(\gamma) = A(\gamma) \times B(\gamma) \pmod{p}$  and in Step 2 we prove that  $\|R\|_\infty < \rho$ .

- *Step 1.* We first check that  $R(\gamma) = A(\gamma) \times B(\gamma) \pmod{p}$ . From Step 4 of Algorithm 2 we have:

$$\begin{aligned} R(X) &= (A(X) \times B(X) + U(X) \times E(X)) \\ &\quad - Q(X) \times M(X) - U'(X) \times E(X) \end{aligned}$$

for some  $U(X)$  involved in the reduction modulo  $E(X)$  in Step 1 and  $U'(X)$  involved in the reduction modulo  $E(X)$  in Step 5 of Algorithm 2. If we evaluate this expression at  $\gamma$  modulo  $p$ , using the fact that  $M(\gamma) = 0 \pmod{p}$  and  $E(\gamma) = 0 \pmod{p}$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned} R(\gamma) \pmod{p} &= A(\gamma) \times B(\gamma) + U(\gamma) \times E(\gamma) \\ &\quad - Q(\gamma) \times M(\gamma) - U'(\gamma)E(\gamma) \pmod{p} \\ &= A(\gamma) \times B(\gamma) \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

- *Step 2.* Now we look at the size of the coefficients of  $R$ . Let us consider the polynomial  $Q$ :

$$Q = \left\lfloor \frac{\lfloor \frac{C}{\beta^{k-1}} \rfloor \lfloor \beta^{2k}(M^{-1} \bmod E) \rfloor}{\beta^{k+1}} \right\rfloor. \quad (3)$$

We denote the rounding errors  $\delta, \mu, \rho \in [0, 1[$  in terms of (3) as:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &= \lfloor \frac{C}{\beta^{k-1}} \rfloor - \frac{C}{\beta^{k-1}}, \\ \mu &= \lfloor \beta^{2k}(M^{-1} \bmod E) \rfloor \\ &\quad - (\beta^{2k}(M^{-1} \bmod E)), \\ \varepsilon &= \left\lfloor \frac{\lfloor \frac{C}{\beta^{k-1}} \rfloor \lfloor \beta^{2k}(M^{-1} \bmod E) \rfloor}{\beta^{k+1}} \right\rfloor \\ &\quad - \frac{\lfloor \frac{C}{\beta^{k-1}} \rfloor \lfloor \beta^{2k}(M^{-1} \bmod E) \rfloor}{\beta^{k+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

We can then rewrite  $Q$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \left( \frac{C}{\beta^{k-1}} + \delta \right) \times \frac{(\beta^{2k}(M^{-1} \bmod E) + \mu)}{\beta^{k+1}} + \varepsilon \\ &= C(M^{-1} \bmod E) + \frac{C}{\beta^{2k}} \mu \\ &\quad + \delta \beta^{k-1} (M^{-1} \bmod E) + \frac{\delta \mu}{\beta^{k+1}} + \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Now let us express  $R$  in terms of the above expression of  $Q$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= C - (Q \times M \bmod E) \\ &= C - (C(M^{-1} \bmod E)M \bmod E) - \frac{(C \times M \bmod E)}{\beta^{2k}} \mu \\ &\quad - (\delta \beta^{k-1} (M^{-1} \bmod E)M \bmod E) - \frac{\delta \mu M}{\beta^{k+1}} - \varepsilon M \\ &= -\frac{(C \times M \bmod E)}{\beta^{2k}} \mu - \delta \beta^{k-1} - \frac{\delta \mu M}{\beta^{k+1}} - \varepsilon M \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we use that  $\|(C \times M \bmod E)\|_\infty \leq n|\lambda| \|C\|_\infty \|M\|_\infty$  and that

$$\|C\|_\infty \leq n|\lambda| \|A\|_\infty \|B\|_\infty < n|\lambda| \rho^2$$

to derive the following bound on  $\|R\|_\infty$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \|R\|_\infty &\leq \frac{n|\lambda| \|C\|_\infty \|M\|_\infty |\mu|}{\beta^{2k}} + |\delta| \beta^{k-1} + \frac{|\delta \mu| \|M\|_\infty}{\beta^{k+1}} + |\varepsilon| \|M\|_\infty \\ &\leq \frac{n^2 \lambda^2 \rho^2 \|M\|_\infty |\mu|}{\beta^{2k}} + |\delta| \beta^{k-1} + \frac{|\delta \mu| \|M\|_\infty}{\beta^{k+1}} + |\varepsilon| \|M\|_\infty \end{aligned}$$

Then since  $\rho = \beta^k$  and  $\rho > 2n^2 \lambda^2 \|M\|_\infty$  this implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{R}\|_\infty &\leq \frac{\rho |\mu|}{2} + |\delta| \frac{\rho}{2} + \frac{|\delta \mu|}{2} + |\varepsilon| \frac{\rho}{n} \\ &\leq \rho \left( \frac{|\mu| (|\delta| + 1)}{2} + \frac{|\delta|}{2} + \frac{|\varepsilon|}{n} \right) + \frac{|\delta \mu|}{2} \\ &\leq \rho \left( \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{8} = \rho + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{\rho}{8} \\ &< \rho \end{aligned}$$

□

In order to get efficient implementation, it also necessary to know the size of certain data in Algorithm 2: specifically  $V$  should have coefficient of size of the order of  $\rho$ . In the appendix we provide an upper bound on  $M(X)^{-1} \bmod E(X)$  which leads to an upper on  $V(X)$ . Those upper bounds remain theoretical, in practice the coefficients of  $V$  are much smaller.

### 3 Randomized Modular Multiplication in AMNS

In this section we present a randomization of modular multiplication in AMNS. This approach extend the idea of (Lesavourey et al., 2016), where they flip a coin  $t \in \{0, 1\}$  and then randomly choose Barrett ( $t = 0$ ) or Montgomery ( $t = 1$ ) modular multiplication algorithm. They get  $R(\gamma) \equiv A(\gamma)B(\gamma)\phi^{-t} \bmod p$  which has a random multiplicative mask  $\phi^{-t}$  with  $\phi$  a power of 2. With repeated multiplications they obtained random multiplicative mask  $\phi^T$  with larger  $T$ , providing stronger protection against side channel analysis. But the level of randomization  $T$  was kept small, since to get the final results we have to remove the random mask, which is only possible if  $T$  is small.

In the sequel we extend the idea of (Lesavourey et al., 2016) to AMNS\_BarMul and AMNS\_MonMul modular multiplications. We show that the use of AMNS induce another random multiplicative mask leading to larger level of randomization. For the remaining of the paper that, we assume that:

$$\lambda = 2. \quad (4)$$

### 3.1 Randomized polynomial multiplication modulo $E$

We propose to change Step 1 in AMNS\_MonMul and AMNS\_BarMul, which consists of:

$$C \leftarrow A \times B \bmod E,$$

with

$$C \leftarrow 2 \times (A \times B) / X^s \bmod E. \quad (5)$$

for  $s \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ . Let us first see how to compute  $C$  in (5). We consider the product  $U(X) = A(X) \times B(X)$ , then we rewrite  $2 \times U(X)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \times U(X) &= \underbrace{\left( \sum_{i=0}^{s-1} 2u_i X^i \right)}_{U_0} \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\left( \sum_{i=s}^{n+s-1} 2u_i X^i \right)}_{U_1} + \underbrace{\left( \sum_{i=n+s}^{2n-1} 2u_i X^i \right)}_{U_2}. \end{aligned}$$

Then using (4), we have  $2 \equiv X^n \pmod{E(X)}$ , we can replace each 2 with  $X^n$  in  $U_0$  and we can also replace each  $X^n$  with 2 in  $U_2$ . We get:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \times U(X) &\equiv \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (2u_i + 4u_{i+n}) X^i \right) \\ &\quad + \left( \sum_{i=n}^{n+s-1} (2u_i + u_{i-n}) X^i \right) \pmod{E} \end{aligned}$$

Which leads to the following

$$\begin{aligned} (2U(X))X^{-s} \bmod E &= \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n-s-1} (2u_{i+s} + 4u_{i+n+s}) X^i \right) \\ &\quad + \left( \sum_{i=n-s}^{n-1} (2u_{i+s} + u_{i+s-n}) X^i \right) \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

*Complexity of randomized the multiplication.* We evaluate the cost of the computation of randomized multiplication  $(A \times B) / X^s \bmod E$  and of the regular multiplication  $A \times B \bmod E$ . We assume that each coefficient of  $A$  and  $B$  are smaller than  $2^w$  where  $w$  is the computer word size. A multiplication by 2 or by 4 of a coefficient is done by a left shift by 1 or 2 on the computer word. Then both multiplications require  $n^2$  word multiplications and  $n(n-1)$  word additions to compute  $U(X) = A(X) \times B(X)$  with schoolbook method. For the non-randomized case the reduction  $U(X) \bmod E$ , requires  $n-1$  shifts and  $n$  additions. The proposed randomized reduction in (6) requires  $2n-s$  shifts and  $n$  additions. This leads to the complexities in Table 2.

Table 2: Complexity of randomized and non-randomized multiplication mod  $E$

Operation	# mul.	# add.	# shifts
$A \times B \bmod E$	$n^2$	$n^2$	$n$
$(A \times B) / X^s \bmod E$	$n^2$	$n^2$	$2n-s$

We can notice that a randomized multiplication has a complexity closed to a non-randomized multiplication: we just have a penalty of  $n-s$  shifts.

### 3.2 Randomized AMNS-Montgomery and AMNS-Barret multiplication.

We can use this randomized multiplication modulo  $E(X)$  to randomize AMNS\_MonMul and multiplication. To reach this goal we replace the first step of AMNS\_MonMul with  $C \leftarrow (A \times B) / X^s \bmod E$ . We show in Algorithm 3 the resulting randomized AMNS\_MonMul. The proposed modification change the output of the algorithm. The output of Rd\_AMNS\_MonMul is:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= C + Q \times M \bmod E \\ &= ((A \times B) + W \times E) / X^s + Q \times M + W' \times E \end{aligned}$$

where in the last expression  $W(X)$  and  $W'(X)$  are due to the reduction by  $E(X)$ . If we evaluate the above expression of  $R$  at  $\gamma$  the terms  $Q \times M$ ,  $W \times E$ , and  $W' \times E$  vanish since  $M(\gamma) = 0$  and  $E(\gamma) = 0$ . This leads to the following:

$$R(\gamma) = A(\gamma)B(\gamma)\phi^{-1}\gamma^{-s} \pmod{p}.$$

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**Algorithm 3** Rd\_AMNS\_MonMul
 

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**Require:**  $A, B \in \mathcal{B} = \text{AMNS}(p, n, \gamma, \lambda, \rho)$  with  $E = X^n - \lambda$  and  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $s$  a randomizing integer,  $M$  a polynomial such that  $M(\gamma) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ , an integer  $\phi$  and  $M' = -M^{-1} \pmod{(E, \phi)}$

**Ensure:**  $R$  such that  $R(\gamma) = A(\gamma)B(\gamma)\phi^{-1}\gamma^{-s} \pmod{p}$

- 1:  $C \leftarrow (A \times B) / X^s \pmod{E}$
  - 2:  $Q \leftarrow C \times M' \pmod{(E, \phi)}$
  - 3:  $R \leftarrow (C + Q \times M \pmod{E}) / \phi$
  - 4: **return**  $R$
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We can do the exact same modification in AMNS\_BarMul. The only change is on the output of the algorithm which in this case produce a polynomial  $R(X)$  satisfying:

$$R(\gamma) = A(\gamma)B(\gamma)\gamma^{-s} \pmod{p}$$

This algorithm is shown below.

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**Algorithm 4** Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul
 

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**Require:**  $A, B \in \mathcal{B} = \text{AMNS}(p, n, \gamma, \lambda, \rho)$  with  $E = X^n - \lambda$  and  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $s$  a randomizing integer,  $M$  such that  $M(\gamma) = 0 \pmod{p}$ ,  $V = \lfloor (M^{-1} \pmod{E}) \times \beta^{2k} \rfloor$ .

**Ensure:**  $R$  such that  $R(\gamma) = A(\gamma) \times B(\gamma)\gamma^{-s} \pmod{p}$

- 1:  $C \leftarrow (A \times B) / X^s \pmod{E}$
  - 2:  $U \leftarrow \lfloor C / \beta^{k-1} \rfloor$
  - 3:  $W \leftarrow (U \times V) \pmod{E}$
  - 4:  $Q \leftarrow \lfloor W / \beta^{k+1} \rfloor$
  - 5:  $R \leftarrow C - ((Q \times M) \pmod{E})$
  - 6: **return**  $R$
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### 3.3 Implementation results

We implemented in C Algorithm 3 and 4 along with non-randomized Algorithm 1 and 2. We used the following strategies for large and small fields:

- Small fields:  $\mathbb{F}_p$  with  $p$  of bit-length 256 and 500 bits. AMNS elements are stored in an arrays of  $n$  64-bit word integers. Polynomial multiplication is done using schoolbook method using 64-bits integer multiplication instruction of the processor.
- Larger fields:  $\mathbb{F}_p$  with  $p$  of bit-length 2048 bits, 3096 bits. AMNS elements are stored in arrays of  $n$  128-bit word integers in order to keep  $n$  small. We implemented multiplication of unsigned 128 bits integers through several 64-bit instructions. This approach reduces the efficiency of Barrett multiplication compared to Montgomery multiplication since it involves more signed 128 integer multiplications which are, in this case, less efficient.

We compiled our C code with gcc 9.3.0, and run it on an Ubuntu 20.04 and an Intel Westmere processor. The timings are averages of 2000 multiplications with randomized input.

The above timing results show that for larger fields, the penalty due to signed 128 bits multiplication render non-randomized and randomized Barret AMNS multiplication significantly slower. On small fields one can notice that the randomization on AMNS\_BarMul and AMNS\_MonMul reduce slightly their efficiency compared to non-randomized counter parts.

## 4 Randomized DSA Exponentiation

We consider in this section the modular exponentiation involved in Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA (NIST.FIPS.186.4, 2012)). We present a randomized exponentiation based on the randomized Montgomery and Barrett multiplications in AMNS introduced in Subsection 3.2.



Table 3: Timings of AMNS multiplication

Field and AMNS				Algorithm	#CC
$\log_2(p)$	$p$	$n$	$\lambda$		
3040	$2^{110}$	30	2	AMNS_MonMul	75527
				Rd_AMNS_MonMul	74930
				AMNS_BarMul	107429
				Rd_AMNS_BarMul	107625
2020	$2^{109}$	20	2	AMNS_MonMul	33372
				Rd_AMNS_MonMul	34334
				AMNS_BarMul	47661
				Rd_AMNS_BarMul	47624
510	$2^{53}$	10	2	AMNS_MonMul	1041
				Rd_AMNS_MonMul	1176
				AMNS_BarMul	1507
				Rd_AMNS_BarMul	1632
256	$2^{57}$	5	2	AMNS_MonMul	207
				Rd_AMNS_MonMul	230
				AMNS_BarMul	201
				Rd_AMNS_BarMul	228

### 4.1 Background on DSA and Side Channel Analysis

DSA security is based on the difficulty of the discrete logarithm problem. Given a prime  $p$ , and an element  $G$  of order  $q$  in the finite field  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , then, computing the discrete logarithm of  $R \in \langle G \rangle$  in base  $G$  consists to find the exponent  $E$  satisfying  $R = G^E \pmod p$ . For a security level larger than 128-bit the prime  $p$  has a bit-length is larger than 2048 bits and  $q$  has a bit-length larger than 256 bits.

The main computation in DSA is an exponentiation modulo  $p$ . Specifically, we have to compute:

$$R = G^E \pmod p \tag{7}$$

where  $G$  has order  $q|(p-1)$  and  $e \in [0, q-1]$ . The basic approach to compute the modular exponentiation in (7) consists in a sequence of squares and multiplications in order to reconstruct from the most significant bits to the least significant bits the exponent  $E = (e_{\ell-1}, \dots, e_0)_2$  of  $R$  (cf. Algorithm 5).

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#### Algorithm 5 Square-and-multiply

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**Require:**  $G \in \mathbb{F}_p$  and  $E = (e_{\ell-1}, \dots, e_0)_2$  a positive integer.

**Ensure:**  $R$  such that  $R = G^E \pmod p$

$R \leftarrow 1$

**for**  $i = 0$  **to**  $\ell$  **do**

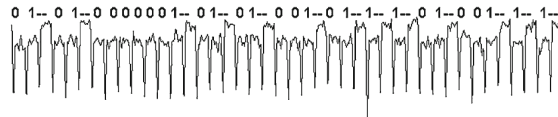
$R \leftarrow R^2 \times G^{e_i} \pmod p$

**return**  $R$

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**Side channel analysis.** Sensitive computation on an embedded device can be threaten by side channel analysis. Indeed, such attacks use either power consumption, electromagnetic emanation or computation time to recover part of the secret data involved in the computation. An example of such attacks is the simple power analysis on Square-and-multiply exponentiation: assuming that multiplication consume more power than a square we can identify on the power trace the loop iteration involving a multiplication, which are loop iteration corresponding to  $e_i = 1$  (cf. Fig. 1).

Figure 1: Simple power analysis (Kocher et al., 1999)



The basic protection against SPA consists in rendering the sequence of squares and multiplications of the exponentiation independent to the bits of the exponent. A popular approach to reach this goal is the Montgomery ladder (Algorithm 6) which uses two intermediate variables  $R_0$  corresponding to  $R$  in the Square-and-multiply exponentiation and  $R_1$  always satisfying  $R_1 = R_0 \times G \pmod p$ . At each loop iteration we have a multiplication followed by a square, which then does not leak out the corresponding bit  $e_i$  of  $E$ .

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**Algorithm 6** Montgomery-ladder (Joye and Yen, 2002)

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**Require:** An base  $G \in \mathbb{F}_p$  and an exponent  $E = (e_{\ell-1}, \dots, e_0)_2$

**Ensure:**  $R_0 = G^E \pmod N$

- 1:  $R_0 \leftarrow 1, R_1 \leftarrow G$
  - 2: **for**  $i$  **from** 0 **to**  $\ell - 1$  **do**
  - 3:    $R_{1-e_i} \leftarrow R_0 \times R_1 \pmod p$
  - 4:    $R_{e_i} \leftarrow R_{e_i}^2 \pmod p$
  - 5: **return**  $R_0$
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There are more powerful attacks like the Differential Power Analysis (DPA) (Kocher et al., 1999) which guesses a bit of the exponent and correctly predict power consumption of a loop iteration. Or the Correlation Power Analysis (CPA) (Brier et al., 2004) which recovers a bit of exponent by correlating power consumption of two consecutive loop iterations. To counteract these attacks the main strategy consists in randomizing the data involved in the exponentiation (the exponent  $E$  and intermediate variables  $R_0$  and  $R_1$ ).

Specifically, the three main strategies to randomize the data are the following:

- *Exponent blinding:* this strategy (Coron, 1999) modifies  $E$  either by adding a random multiple of  $q$  the order of  $G$

$$E' = E + \beta \times q \Rightarrow G^{E'} \pmod p = G^E \pmod p$$

or by multiplying it by  $\beta^{-1} \pmod q$  with  $\beta$  a small random value :

$$E' = E\beta^{-1} \pmod q \Rightarrow (G^\beta)^{E'} \pmod p = G^E \pmod p$$

- *Base blinding:* The idea is from (Coron, 1999) and consists in multiplying  $G$  with a random  $\alpha$ , assuming that  $\beta = \alpha^E \pmod p$  is precomputed. Then we have

$$G' = G \times \alpha \pmod p \Rightarrow G'^E (\beta^{-1}) \pmod p = G^E \pmod p$$

In (Lesavourey et al., 2016) the authors propose to randomly update the multiplicative mask  $\alpha$  with the Montgomery factor induced by Montgomery multiplication. Their randomization is limited by the fact that this randomly updated should be equal to 1 at the end of the exponentiation and is reduced to a small set of values.

## 4.2 Randomized Montgomery Ladder for DSA

Our approach consists in running the Montgomery ladder with input given in an AMNS  $(p, n, \rho, \gamma, \lambda)$ . At each loop iteration we pick two random bits  $t_i$  and  $s_i$  and then the two modular multiplications are computed as follows:

- If  $t_i = 1$  we apply `Rd_AMNS_MonMul` with randomizing parameter  $s_i$ , in this case the output has a multiplicative mask equal to  $\phi^{-1} \times \gamma^{-s_i}$ .
- If  $t_i = 0$  we apply `Rd_AMNS_BarMul` with randomizing parameter  $s_i$ , in this case the output has a multiplicative mask equal to  $\gamma^{-s_i}$ .

The resulting randomized Montgomery ladder is shown in Algorithm 7.

At each iteration of the above algorithm  $R_0$   $R_1$  are multiplied by a factor which can be 1,  $\phi^{-1}$ ,  $\gamma^{-1}$  or  $\phi^{-1}\gamma^{-1}$ . These multiplications contribute to randomly modify a multiplicative mask on  $R_0$  and  $R_1$  providing a protection against side channel analyses like DPA or CPA. But this mask should be equal to 1 at the end of the exponentiation in order to have  $R_0$  equal to the correct output  $G^E \pmod p$ . Steps 1 and 2 of the algorithm set the necessary conditions on the random bits in  $t_i$  and  $s_i$  which ensure that the random mask induced by the factors  $\phi^{-t_i}\gamma^{-s_i}$  and  $\beta$  is equal to 1 at the end. This is shown in the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.** *Algorithm 7 correctly outputs  $R = G^E \pmod p$ .*

*Proof.* Let us first unroll the algorithm to understand how the random mask evolves during the exponentiation:

- After loop  $i = \ell - 1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} R_0 &= \beta^2 G^{e_{\ell-1}} (\gamma^{-1})^{s_{\ell-1}} (\phi^{-1})^{t_{\ell-1}}, \\ R_1 &= \beta^2 G^{e_{\ell-1}+1} (\gamma^{-1})^{s_{\ell-1}} (\phi^{-1})^{t_{\ell-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

- After loop  $i = \ell - 2$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} R_0 &= \beta^4 G^{2e_{\ell-1}+e_{\ell-2}} (\gamma^{-1})^{2s_{\ell-1}+s_{\ell-2}} (\phi^{-1})^{2t_{\ell-1}+t_{\ell-2}}, \\ R_1 &= \beta^4 G^{2e_{\ell-1}+e_{\ell-2}+1} (\gamma^{-1})^{2s_{\ell-1}+s_{\ell-2}} (\phi^{-1})^{2t_{\ell-1}+t_{\ell-2}}. \end{aligned}$$

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**Algorithm 7** Randomized Montgomery Ladder

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**Require:**  $G$  of order  $q$  in  $\mathbb{F}_p$  where  $q$  of bit-length  $\ell$ , an exponent  $E = (e_{\ell-1}, \dots, e_1 e_0)_2$ ,  $w$  the bit-length of the computer words, an AMNS  $(p, n, \rho, \gamma, \lambda)$  with  $\lambda = 2$  and precomputed data  $u \leftarrow \lfloor (p-1)/2^\ell \rfloor, v \leftarrow (p-1) \bmod 2^\ell$  and  $\beta = \gamma^{-u} \bmod p$ .

**Ensure:**  $R = G^E \bmod p$

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1:  $T \leftarrow \text{Random}(0, \dots, \lfloor (v/(nw)) \rfloor)$ 
2:  $S \leftarrow v - nwT$ 
3:  $R_0(X) \leftarrow \text{AMNS}(1 \times \beta \bmod p)$ 
4:  $R_1(X) \leftarrow \text{AMNS}(G \bmod p)$ 
5: for  $i = \ell - 1$  to  $0$  do
6:   if  $t_i = 1$  then
7:      $R_{e_i} \leftarrow \text{Rd\_AMNS\_MonMul}(R_{e_i}, R_{1-e_i}, s_i)$ 
8:      $R_{1-e_i} \leftarrow \text{Rd\_AMNS\_MonMul}(R_{e_i}, R_{e_i}, s_i)$ 
9:   else
10:     $R_{e_i} \leftarrow \text{Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul}(R_{e_i}, R_{1-e_i}, s_i)$ 
11:     $R_{1-e_i} \leftarrow \text{Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul}(R_{e_i}, R_{e_i}, s_i)$ 
12:  $R \leftarrow R_0(\gamma) \bmod p$ 
13: return  $R$ 
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- ...
- After loop  $i = 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} R_0 &= \beta^{2^\ell} G^E (\gamma^{-1})^S (\phi^{-1})^T, \\ R_1 &= \beta^{2^\ell} G^{E+1} (\gamma^{-1})^S (\phi^{-1})^T. \end{aligned}$$

We consider the last multiplicative mask of  $R_0$

$$\beta^{2^\ell} (\gamma^{-1})^S (\phi^{-1})^T$$

we use the fact that  $\beta = \gamma^{-u}$  and  $\phi = 2^w$  and  $2 = \gamma^v \bmod p$  which leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \beta^{2^\ell} (\gamma^{-1})^S (\phi^{-1})^T &= 2^{-2^\ell u} \gamma^{-S} 2^{-wT} \\ &= \gamma^{-2^\ell u} \gamma^{-S} \gamma^{-nwT} \\ &= \gamma^{-(2^\ell u + S + nwT)} \\ &= \gamma^{-(2^\ell u + v)} \text{ (from Step 2)} \\ &= \gamma^{-(p-1)} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

□

Let us discuss the level of randomization induced with the proposed strategy. At the beginning of the Montgomery ladder there are no random mask on  $R_0$  and  $R_1$  ( $\beta$  is a public value), but the random mask is growing by one bits after each iteration. This means that the level of randomization injected at the end is  $2^\ell$  which correspond to the size of the random data  $T$ . This is a larger level of dynamic randomization than the one of (Lesavourey et al., 2016).

### 4.3 Implementation results

We implemented in C the randomized and non-randomized form of Montgomery ladder using AMNS modular multiplication. We considered DSA exponentiation for the two cryptographic size 2048 bits and 3096 bits for  $p$ . We also considered (non-DSA) exponentiation on small field from 256 bits and 500 bits since for these size AMNS Barrett multiplications is as efficient as their AMNS Montgomery counter-parts.

We compiled our C code with gcc 9.3.0, and run it on an Ubuntu 20.04 on an Intel Westmere processor. The resulting clock-cycles are the average of 2000 multiplications with randomized input. These timings are reported in Table 4.

We notice that for large fields, the use of slow AMNS Barrett multiplication render the proposed approach not efficient. For smaller fields, particularly for field of size 256-bits the randomized approach is competitive. This means that if we could improve signed 128-bit multiplication we could get randomized exponentiation on large field with smaller penalty.

Table 4: Timings of exponentiation

Field and AMNS				Algorithm	#CC
$\log_2(p)$	$\log_2(q)$	$p$	$n \lambda$		
3040	300	$2^{110}$	30	Mont. Ladder	46036405
				Rand. Mont. Ladder	57285659
2020	256	$2^{109}$	20	Mont. Ladder	15911757
				Rand. Mont. Ladder	21920264
510	510	$2^{53}$	10	Mont. Ladder	1211894
				Rand. Mont. Ladder	1662200
256	256	$2^{57}$	5	Mont. Ladder	106877
				Rand. Mont. Ladder	116832

## 5 Randomized Scalar Multiplication

We present in this section a strategy to dynamically randomize data in scalar multiplication on an elliptic curve  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ . First, we provide the necessary background on elliptic curve and related algorithms.

### 5.1 Background on elliptic curve

An elliptic curve  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  is the set of points  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{F}_p^2$ , along with a point at infinity  $O$ , which satisfy an equation of the form:

$$y^2 = x^3 + ax + b \text{ where } a, b \in \mathbb{F}_p$$

with  $\Delta = -16(4a^3 + 27b^2) \neq 0$ . There is a additive group law on  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  which is derived from the chord and tangent rules: a line crossing two points  $P, Q$  on the curve intersects the curve on a third point  $R'$ , then  $R = P + Q$  is defined as the  $x$ -axis symmetric of  $R'$ . The coordinates of  $R = (x_3, y_3)$  can be computed with a few operations in  $\mathbb{F}_p$  from the coordinates of  $P = (x_1, y_1)$  and  $Q = (x_2, y_2)$

$$\begin{cases} x_3 = \lambda - x_1 - x_2 \\ y_3 = y_1 - \lambda(x_3 - x_1) \end{cases} \text{ with } \lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2} & \text{if } P \neq Q \\ \frac{3x_1^2 + a}{2y_1} & \text{if } P = Q \end{cases}$$

To improve the efficiency of these operations, a various set of projective coordinate system was used in order to avoid costly inversions. Among them there is the Jacobian coordinates  $(X, Y, Z)$  which corresponds to affine coordinates  $(x, y) = (X/Z^2, Y/Z^3)$ .

**Definition 2.** Two points given in Jacobian coordinates are equivalent  $(X, Y, Z) \sim (X', Y', Z')$  if there is  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}_p$  such that

$$(X', Y', Z') = (X\beta^2, Y\beta^3, Z\beta)$$

these two Jacobian coordinates correspond to the same affine point

$$(x, y) = (X/Z^2, Y/Z^3) = (X'/Z'^2, Y'/Z'^3).$$

The use of Jacobian coordinates avoids inversion in  $\mathbb{F}_p$  but, in counterpart, this increases the number of multiplications per point operations. In the literature, several improvements were proposed to simplify these Jacobian formula. We will focus here on the co-Z formula for addition which was first proposed in (Méloni, 2007) and then extended in (Goundar et al., 2011) to a few other co-Z point operations. Co-Z point formula take as input two points in Jacobian coordinates sharing the same  $Z$  coordinate. In (Méloni, 2007) they show that this simplifies Jacobian addition and leads to the formula shown in Algorithm 8. The last operations in Step 8 of Algorithm 8 are meant to update the input  $P$  such that it shares the same  $Z$  coordinate as  $R = P + Q$ .

In (Goundar et al., 2011) the authors adapt the ZADDU approach to the computation of  $P + Q$  and  $P - Q$  with shared  $Z$ . They use the fact that most computation for  $P + Q$  and  $P - Q$  are the same, unless for  $P - Q$  we have to negate the  $Y$  coordinate of  $Q$ . This leads to the terms  $\bar{D}$  in place of  $D$  and subsequent modified terms  $\bar{X}_3$  and  $\bar{Y}_3$  of  $R' = P - Q$  as shown in Algorithm 9.

In (Goundar et al., 2011) the authors take advantage of ZADDU and ZADDC to get a variant of the Montgomery ladder for scalar multiplication. Indeed, the two operations  $R_{1-b} \leftarrow R_b + R_{1-b}$  and  $R_b \leftarrow 2R_b$  in the Montgomery ladder can be done as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (R_{1-b}, R_b) &\leftarrow \text{ZADDC}(R_b, R_{1-b}) \\ &= (R_b + R_{1-b}, R_b - R_{1-b}), \\ (R_b, R_{1-b}) &\leftarrow \text{ZADDU}(R_{1-b}, R_b) \\ &= (R_b + R_{1-b} + R_b - R_{1-b}, R_b - R_{1-b}) \\ &= (2R_b, R_b + R_{1-b}). \end{aligned}$$

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**Algorithm 8** Co-Z addition with update (ZADDU) (Méloni, 2007)

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**Require:**  $P = (X_1, Y_1, Z)$  and  $Q = (X_2, Y_2, Z)$

**Ensure:**  $(R, P')$  such that  $R = P + Q$  and  $P' \sim P$

- 1:  $C \leftarrow (X_1 - X_2)^2$
  - 2:  $W_1 \leftarrow X_1 C, W_2 \leftarrow X_2 C$
  - 3:  $D \leftarrow (Y_1 - Y_2)^2, A_1 \leftarrow Y_1(W_1 \leftarrow W_2)$
  - 4:  $X_3 \leftarrow D - W_1 - W_2$
  - 5:  $Y_3 \leftarrow (Y_1 - Y_2)(W_1 - X_3) - A_1$
  - 6:  $Z_3 \leftarrow Z(X_1 - X_2)$
  - 7:  $X_1 \leftarrow W_1, Y_1 \leftarrow A_1, Z_1 \leftarrow Z_3$
  - 8:  $R \leftarrow (X_3, Y_3, Z_3), P' \leftarrow (X_1, Y_1, Z_1)$
  - 9: **return**  $R, P'$
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**Algorithm 9** Conjugate Co-Z addition (ZADDC) (Goundar et al., 2011)

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**Require:**  $P = (X_1, Y_1, Z)$  and  $Q = (X_2, Y_2, Z)$

**Ensure:**  $(R, R')$  such that  $R = P + Q$  and  $R' = P - Q$

- 1:  $C \leftarrow (X_1 - X_2)^2$
  - 2:  $W_1 \leftarrow X_1 C, W_2 \leftarrow X_2 C$
  - 3:  $D \leftarrow (Y_1 - Y_2)^2, A_1 \leftarrow Y_1(W_1 \leftarrow W_2)$
  - 4:  $X_3 \leftarrow D - W_1 - W_2$
  - 5:  $Y_3 \leftarrow (Y_1 - Y_2)(W_1 - X_3) - A_1$
  - 6:  $Z_3 \leftarrow Z(X_1 - X_2)$
  - 7:  $\bar{D} \leftarrow (Y_1 + Y_2)^2$
  - 8:  $\bar{X}_3 \leftarrow \bar{D} - W_1 - W_2$
  - 9:  $\bar{Y}_3 \leftarrow (Y_1 + Y_2)(W_1 - \bar{X}_3) - A_1$
  - 10:  $R \leftarrow (X_3, Y_3, Z_3), R' \leftarrow (\bar{X}_3, \bar{Y}_3, Z_3)$
  - 11: **return**  $R, R'$
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This method is shown in Algorithm 10, the first step  $(R_1, R_0) \leftarrow DBLU(P)$  simply set  $(R_0, R_1) = (P, 2P)$  with shared Z-coordinates.

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**Algorithm 10** Co-Z Montgomery ladder (Goundar et al., 2011)

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**Require:**  $P = (x_P, y_P) \in E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  and  $e = (e_{\ell-1}, \dots, e_0) \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $e_{\ell-1} = 1$ .

**Ensure:**  $Q = eP$

- 1:  $(R_1, R_0) \leftarrow DBLU(P)$
  - 2: **for**  $i = \ell - 2$  to 0 **do**
  - 3:    $b \leftarrow e_i$
  - 4:    $(R_{1-b}, R_b) \leftarrow ZADDC(R_b, R_{1-b})$
  - 5:    $(R_b, R_{1-b}) \leftarrow ZADDU(R_{1-b}, R_b)$
  - 6: **return**  $Jac2aff(R_0)$
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## 5.2 Randomized scalar multiplication on elliptic curve

Jacobian coordinates can be used to randomly mask a point. Indeed, given a point  $P = (X, Y, Z)$ , we randomly pick  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}_p$  then we compute  $P' = (X\beta^2, Y\beta^3, Z\beta)$  which are equivalent Jacobian coordinates of the affine point  $(X/Z^2, Y/Z^3)$ .

We propose to use `Rand_AMNS_BarMul` to dynamically randomize the coordinates of the points  $R_0$  and  $R_1$  during the scalar multiplication. We first focus on randomizing the `ZADDU` curve operation. Given a randomizing integer  $t$ , we perform all multiplications involved in `ZADDU` with `Rd_AMNS_BarMul` with parameter  $s = t$ , only, the square in Step 3 is computed with parameter  $s = 2t$ . This approach is shown in Algorithm 11.

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**Algorithm 11** Randomized Co-Z addition with update (`Rand_ZADDU`)

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**Require:**  $P' = (X'_1, Y'_1, Z')$  and  $Q' = (X'_2, Y'_2, Z')$  with coordinates in an AMNS  $(p, n, \rho, \gamma, \lambda)$  with  $\lambda = 2$ .

**Ensure:**  $(R', P')$  such that  $R = P + Q$  and  $P' \cong P$

- 1:  $C' \leftarrow Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul((X'_1 - X'_2), (X'_1 - X'_2), t)$
  - 2:  $W'_1 \leftarrow Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul(X'_1, C', t)$
  - 3:  $W'_2 \leftarrow Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul(X'_2, C', t)$
  - 4:  $D' \leftarrow Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul((Y'_1 - Y'_2), (Y'_1 - Y'_2), 2t)$
  - 5:  $A'_1 \leftarrow Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul(Y'_1, (W'_1 - W'_2), t)$
  - 6:  $X'_3 \leftarrow D' - W'_1 - W'_2$
  - 7:  $Y'_3 \leftarrow Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul(Y'_1 - Y'_2, (W'_1 - X'_3), t) - A'_1$
  - 8:  $Z'_3 \leftarrow Rd\_AMNS\_BarMul(Z', (X'_1 - X'_2), t)$
  - 9:  $X''_1 \leftarrow W'_1, Y''_1 \leftarrow A'_1, Z''_1 \leftarrow Z'_3$
  - 10:  $R' \leftarrow (X'_3, Y'_3, Z'_3), P'' \leftarrow (X'_1, Y'_1, Z'_1)$
  - 11: **return**  $R', P''$
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Let us show that the two points  $R'$  and  $P''$  output by Algorithm 7 have Jacobian coordinates equivalent to the points  $R$  and  $P$  output by `ZADDU`. We assume that the input points  $P'$  and  $Q'$  are equivalent to  $P$  and  $Q$ . Which means for  $P'$  that there exists  $\beta$  such that

$$Z' = Z\beta, X'_1 = X_1\beta^2 \text{ and } Y'_1 = Y_1\beta^3$$

and the same  $\beta$  applies for the equivalent of  $Q'$  and  $Q$ . Now, one can notice that:

$$\begin{aligned} C' &= (X'_1 - X'_2)^2 \gamma^{-t} = C\beta^4 \gamma^{-t}, \\ W'_1 &= X'_1 C' \gamma^{-t} = X_1 C \beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} = W_1 \beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} \\ W'_2 &= X'_2 C' \gamma^{-t} = X_2 C \beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} = W_2 \beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} \\ D' &= (Y'_1 - Y'_2)^2 \gamma^{-2t} = D\beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} \\ A'_1 &= (Y'_1 - Y'_2)(W'_1 - W'_2) \gamma^{-t} = A_1 \beta^9 \gamma^{-3t} \end{aligned}$$

Then we can express the coordinates of  $R'$  in terms of the ones of  $R$ :

$$\begin{aligned} X'_3 &= D\beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} - W_1 \beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} - W_2 \beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} \\ &= X_3 \beta^6 \gamma^{-2t}, \\ Y'_3 &= (Y'_1 - Y'_2)(W'_1 - X'_3) \gamma^{-t} - A'_1 \\ &= (Y_1 - Y_2)(W_1 - X_3) \beta^9 \gamma^{-3t} - A_1 \beta^9 \gamma^{-3t}, \\ &= Y_3 \beta^9 \gamma^{-3t} \\ Z'_3 &= Z'(X'_1 - X'_2) \gamma^{-t} = Z_3 \beta^3 \gamma^{-t}, \end{aligned}$$

But the above condition show that  $R' \sim R$  with  $\beta' = \beta^3 \gamma^{-t}$ . Similarly for  $P''$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_1'' &= W_1' = W_1 \beta^6 \gamma^{-2t} \\ Y_1'' &= A_1' = A_1 \beta^9 \gamma^{3t} \end{aligned}$$

which means that the Jacobian coordinates  $P''$  are equivalent to the ones of  $P'$  output by ZADDU with  $\beta' = \beta^3 \gamma^{-t}$ .

The same strategy can be applied to the conjugate addition ZADDC leading to the same Jacobian coordinates factor  $\beta^3 \gamma^{-t}$ . Now using these Rand\_ZADDU and Rand\_ZADDC we can randomize the co-Z Montgomery ladder as shown in Algorithm 12.

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**Algorithm 12** Randomized co-Z Montgomery ladder

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**Require:**  $P = (x_P, y_P) \in E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  and  $e = (e_{\ell-1}, \dots, e_0) \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $e_{\ell-1} = 1$ .

**Ensure:**  $Q = eP$

- 1:  $(R_1, R_0) \leftarrow DBLU(P)$
  - 2:  $(t_{2\ell-1}, \dots, t_0)_3 \leftarrow \text{Random}(3^{2\ell})$
  - 3: **for**  $i = \ell - 1$  **to** 0 **do**
  - 4:    $b \leftarrow k_i$
  - 5:    $(R_{1-b}, R_b) \leftarrow \text{Rand\_ZADDC}(R_b, R_{1-b}, t_{2i+1})$
  - 6:    $(R_b, R_{1-b}) \leftarrow \text{Rand\_ZADDU}(R_{1-b}, R_b, t_{2i})$
  - 7: **return**  $\text{Jac2aff}(R_0)$
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From the analysis on Rand\_ZADDU and Rand\_ZADDC we know that they output points equivalent to non-randomized ZADDU and ZADDC, which means that the randomized Co-Z Montgomery ladder correctly output the point  $R = eP$ .

*Level of randomization.* At each loop iteration the random multiplicative mask  $\beta$  evolves as  $\beta^3 \times \gamma^{-t_i}$  for Rand\_ZADDC and Rand\_ZADDU. Since  $t_i$  is in  $\{0, 1, 2\}$ , this sequence of operations for  $i = \ell - 1, \dots, 0$  consists in a cube and multiply exponentiation of  $\gamma$ . Which means that in loop  $i$ , the random factor is  $\beta = \gamma^{-T_i}$  for some  $T_i$  of size  $\sim 3^{2(\ell-i)}$  and at the end we have  $\beta = \gamma^{-T}$  for  $t \sim 3^{2\ell}$ .

In other words, the level of randomization is low during the first loops of the algorithm but it grows quickly and it is really large at the end. The lack of randomization at the beginning can be overcome by picking an random  $\beta$  and compute an equivalent Jacobian coordinates  $R'_0$  and  $R'_1$  with factor  $\beta$  at just after Step 1.

### 5.3 Implementation results

Our implementation are done in C using our code for randomized and non-randomized AMNS multiplication presented in Subsection 3.3. The timings of randomized scalar multiplication are reported in Table 5. For field size 510 bits, the proposed randomization is significantly slower, but we don't know what is the reason for that. But for field size 256 bits the proposed randomization is competitive with the non-randomized version.

Table 5: Timings of scalar multiplication

Field and AMNS					Algorithm	#CC
$\log_2(p)$	$\rho$	$n$	$\lambda$			
510	510	$2^{53}$	10	2	co-Z Mont. Ladder	8891506
					Rd. co-Z Mont. Ladder	12683841
256	256	$2^{57}$	5	2	co-Z Mont. Ladder	939424
					Rd. co-Z Mont. Ladder	885270

## 6 Conclusion

In this paper we considered randomization for DSA exponentiation and elliptic curve scalar multiplication. Our randomization take advantage of the modular multiplication in AMNS. We showed the validity of Barrett multiplication in AMNS. We then present a randomized AMNS multiplication using modified polynomial reduction and random choice between Barrett and Montgomery multiplication. This leads to a randomizing factor  $\phi^{-t} \gamma^{-s}$  for some  $t \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $s \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ . We then presented randomized DSA exponentiation and co-Z elliptic curve scalar multiplication using these modified AMNS multiplications. This improves the level of randomization, and in the best case, with a limited loss of performance.

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## APPENDIX

### Upper bound on the coefficients of $M^{-1} \pmod E$ .

In order to know the size of the coefficients of the intermediate variable  $V$  and  $Q$  in Algorithm 2 we need to bound the coefficients of  $(M(X)^{-1} \pmod E)$ . Our methodology to get such a bound is as follows:

- We show that the coefficients of  $M^{-1} \pmod E$  are on a column of an inverse matrix  $\mathbb{M}^{-1}$ , where  $\mathbb{M}$  is the multiplication matrix by  $M(X)$  modulo  $E$ .
- We use Hadamar inequality (von zur Gathen and Gerhard, 2013, Chap. 16) to bound the coefficients this inverse matrix.



**Lemma 3.** Let  $M(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} m_i X^i$  be a short polynomial of an AMNS  $(p, n, \rho, \gamma, \lambda)$ . The following matrix  $\mathbf{M}$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_0 & m_1 & \dots & m_{n-2} & m_{n-1} \\ \lambda m_{n-1} & m_0 & \dots & m_{n-3} & m_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \lambda m_1 & \lambda m_2 & \dots & \lambda m_{n-1} & m_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

is the matrix in the base  $(1, X, \dots, X^{n-1})$  of the multiplication by  $M(X)$  modulo  $E$ :

$$A(X) \times M(X) \pmod{E(X)} = [a_0 \ a_1 \ \dots \ a_{n-1}] \cdot \mathbf{M}$$

Let  $\mathbf{M}^{-1}$  be the inverse matrix of  $\mathbf{M}$ . Then the first row of the inverse matrix  $\mathbf{M}^{-1}$  contains the coefficients of  $M(X)^{-1} \pmod{E}$ .

*Proof.* We get the  $i$ -th row of the matrix of the multiplication by  $M(X) \pmod{E(X)}$  by computing  $M(X) \times X^i \pmod{E(X)} = (\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} m_j X^{j+i}) \pmod{(X^n - \lambda)} = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \lambda m_{n-1+j} X^j + \sum_{j=i}^{n-1} m_{j-i} X^j$ . But this is the  $i$ -th row of  $\mathbf{M}$ . We have  $\mathbf{M}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M} = Id_n$ , which means that if  $\mathbf{r}$  is the first row of  $\mathbf{M}^{-1}$  we have

$$\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{M} = [1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0].$$

But in terms of polynomial this means that  $(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{r}_i X^i) \times M(X) \pmod{E(X)} = 1$  and this concludes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.** Let  $M(X)$  be a short polynomial of an AMNS  $(p, n, \rho, \gamma, \lambda)$ . The coefficients of  $M'(X) = M(X)^{-1} \pmod{E(X)}$  are bounded above as follows

$$\|M'\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{\lambda^{n-1} \|M\|_2^{n-1}}{p}$$

*Proof.* From Lemma 3 to get an upper bound on the coefficients of  $M(X)^{-1} \pmod{E(X)}$  we just have to bound the coefficients of the inverse matrix  $\mathbf{M}^{-1}$  of the matrix defined in 8.

We use the expression of  $\mathbf{M}^{-1}$  as the co-matrix of  $\mathbf{M}$  divided by  $\det(\mathbf{M})$ . Indeed, let  $\mathbf{M}^{(i,j)}$  be the  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  matrix deduced from  $\mathbf{M}$  after removing  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column. The inverse of  $\mathbf{M}$  is then given by

$$\mathbf{M}^{-1} = [\det(\mathbf{M}_{i,j}^{(i,j)}) / \det(\mathbf{M})]_{i,j=1,\dots,n}.$$

To get an upper bound on  $\det(\mathbf{M}_{i,j}^{(i,j)}) / \det(\mathbf{M})$  we need to get a lower bound on the denominator  $|\det(\mathbf{M})|$  and upper bound on the numerator  $|\det(\mathbf{M}_{i,j}^{(i,j)})|$ .

- *Lower bound on the denominator  $|\det(\mathbf{M})|$ .* We consider the lattice  $\mathcal{L}'$  generated by the  $n$  polynomials  $b_i = M(X)X^i \pmod{E}$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$ . We have that each  $b_i \in \mathcal{L}$  and thus  $\mathcal{L}' \subset \mathcal{L}_{p,n,\rho,\gamma,\lambda}$ . The matrix for  $\mathcal{L}'$  is the following :

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_0 & m_1 & \dots & m_{n-2} & m_{n-1} \\ \lambda m_{n-1} & m_0 & \dots & m_{n-3} & m_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \lambda m_1 & \lambda m_2 & \dots & \lambda m_{n-1} & m_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then we have  $p = |\det(\mathcal{L})|$  divides  $|\det(\mathcal{L}')| = \det(\mathbf{M})$  and in particular  $|\det(\mathbf{M})| \geq p$ .

- *Upper bound on the numerator  $|\det(\mathbf{M}_{i,j}^{(i,j)})|$ .* Let  $\mathbf{r}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}'_{n-1}$  the  $n-1$  row of  $\mathbf{M}^{(i,j)}$ . The Hadamard upper bound leads to

$$|\det(\mathbf{M}_{i,j}^{(i,j)})| \leq \|\mathbf{r}'_1\|_2 \|\mathbf{r}'_2\|_2 \dots \|\mathbf{r}'_{n-1}\|_2$$

By definition of  $\mathbf{M}^{(i,j)}$ , the row  $\mathbf{r}'_k$  is equal to one row of  $\mathbf{M}$  without the  $j$  coefficient. Consequently using the definition of  $\mathbf{M}$  in 8 we obtain

$$\|\mathbf{r}'_k\|_2 \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \lambda^2 m_i^2} = |\lambda| \|M\|_2$$

We then obtain:

$$|\det(\mathbf{M}_{i,j}^{(i,j)})| \leq \lambda^{n-1} \|M\|_2^{n-1}$$

Finally, we obtain the following bound on the  $(i,j)$ -coefficient of  $\mathbf{M}^{-1}$ :

$$\frac{\det(\mathbf{M}_{i,j}^{(i,j)})}{\det(\mathbf{M})} \leq \frac{\lambda^{n-1} \|M\|_2^{n-1}}{p}$$

$\square$