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Abstract

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This memo introduce Optimal Ate Pairing and two pairing-friendly curves with parameters of pairing against efficient number field sieve algorithms.

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1. Introduction

Pairing is a special map from two elliptic curves that called Pairing friendly curves (PFCs) to a finite field and is useful mathematical tools for constructing cryptographic primitives. It allows us to construct powerful primitives like Identity-Based Encryption (IBE) [5] and Functional Encryption (FE) [6]. The IBE and FE provide a rich decryption condition. Some Pairing-Based Cryptography is specified in IETF. (e.g. [3] and [4])

There are some types of pairing[14] and its choice has an impact on the performance of the primitive. For example, primitives by using Tate Pairing [3] and Ate Pairing [4] are specified in IETF.

We need to choose an appropriate type of elliptic curve and parameters for the pairing-based cryptographic schemes, because the choice has great impact on security and efficiency of these schemes. However, an RFC on elliptic curves with pairings has not yet been provided in the IETF.

In some open source softwares ([7], [8], and [9]) are implemented by Optimal Ate Pairing which is an improvement of Ate Pairing with 254-bit prime order Barreto and Naehrig curve.

At CRYPTO 2016, Kim and Barbulescu proposed an efficient number field sieve(NSF) algorithm for the discrete logarithm problem in a finite field[11]. The security of pairing-based cryptography is based on the difficulty in solving the DLP. Hence, it has become necessary to shift the parameters that the DLP is computationally infeasible against the efficient NSF algorithms.

This memo introduce Optimal Ate Pairing [2] for two PFCs to be able to shift the parameters. It enables us to reduce the cost for describing the body of Optimal Ate Pairing when Optimal Ate Pairing is specified over additional curves in IETF. Furthermore, this memo provides concrete algorithm for Optimal Ate Pairing over BLS-curves [Section 3](#) and its test vectors. This memo is expected to use by combining Optimal Ate Pairing with a suitable PFC for a primitive in order to realize same functional structure of ECDSA and ECDH. (i.e., DSA over elliptic curve and DH over elliptic curve)

1.1. Requirements Terminology

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this memo are to be interpreted as described in [1].

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we introduce the definition of elliptic curve and bilinear map, notation used in this memo.

2.1. Elliptic Curve

Throughout this memo, let $p > 3$ be a prime, $q = p^n$, and n be a natural number. Also, let F_q be a finite field. The curve defined by the following equation E is called an elliptic curve.

$$E : y^2 = x^3 + A * x + B \text{ such that } A, B \text{ are in } F_q, \\ 4 * A^3 + 27 * B^2 \neq 0 \text{ mod } F_q$$

Solutions (x, y) for an elliptic curve E , as well as the point at infinity, are called F_q -rational points. The additive group is constructed by an well-defined operation in the set of F_q -rational points. Typically, the cyclic additive group with prime order r and the base point G in its group is used for the cryptographic applications. Furthermore, we define terminology used in this memo as follows.

O_E : the point at infinity over elliptic curve E .

$\#E(F_q)$: number of points on an elliptic curve E over F_q .

cofactor h : $h = \#E(F_p)/r$.

embedding degree k : minimum integer k such that r is a divisor of $q^k - 1$

2.2. Bilinear Map

Let G_1 be an additive group of prime order r and let G_2 and G_3 be additive and multiplicative groups, respectively, of the same order. Let P, Q be generators of G_1, G_2 respectively. We say that (G_1, G_2, G_3) are asymmetric bilinear map groups if there exists a bilinear map $e: (G_1, G_2) \rightarrow G_3$ satisfying the following properties:

- (1) Bilinearity: for any S in G_1 , for any T in G_2 , for any a, b in \mathbb{Z}_r , we have the relation $e([a]S, [b]T) = e(S, T)^{a * b}$.
- (2) Non-degeneracy: for any T in G_2 , $e(S, T) = 1$ if and only if $S = O_E$. Similarly, for any S in G_1 , $e(S, T) = 1$ if and only if $T = O_E$.

- (3) Computability: for any S in G_1 , for any T in G_2 , the bilinear map is efficiently computable.

3. Pairing-friendly curves and Domain Parameter Specification

In this section, this memo specifies the domain parameters for 128-bit and 256-bit secure elliptic curves which allow us to efficiently compute the operation of a pairing at appropriate levels of security.

We introduce 462-bit Barreto Naehrig (BN462)[[13](#)] curve as 128-bit secure elliptic curve and 581-bit Barreto Lynn Scott (BLS48)[[12](#)] curve as 256-bit secure elliptic curve.

3.1. Notation for Domain Parameters

Here, we define notations for specifying domain parameters and explain types of pairing friendly curves.

The elliptic curves E over F_p satisfy following equation.

$$y^2 = x^3 + B \text{ for } B \text{ in } F_p$$

These domain parameters are described in the following way.

For the elliptic curve $E(F_p)$ on BN462

$G1\text{-Curve-ID}$ is an identifier of the G_1 curve with which the curve can be referenced.

p_b is a prime specifying a base field F_p .

B is the coefficient of the equation $y^2 = x^3 + B \bmod p$ defining E .

$G = (x, y)$ is the base point, i.e., a point with x and y being its x - and y -coordinates in E , respectively.

r is the prime order of the group generated by G .

h is the cofactor of G in $E(F_p)$

For twisted curve $E'(F_{p^2})$ on BN462

$G2\text{-Curve-ID}$ is an identifier of the G_2 curve with which the curve can be referenced.

p_b is a prime specifying a base field.

e_2 is the constant of an irreducible polynomial specifying extension field $F_{\{p^2\}} = F_p[u]/(u^2 - e_2)$.

B' is the coefficient of the equation $y'^2 = x'^3 + B' \bmod F_{p^2}$ defining E' .

$G' = (x', y')$ is the base point, i.e., a point with x' and y' being its x' - and y' -coordinates in E' , respectively.

r' is the prime order of the group generated by G' .

h' is the cofactor of r' in $\#E'(F_{\{p^2\}})$

For $F_{\{p^{12}\}}^*$ on BN462

G3-Field-ID is an identifier of the $F_{\{p^{12}\}}^*$.

p_b is a prime specifying base field.

r'' is the prime order of the group.

e_2 is the constant of the irreducible polynomial of $F_{\{p^2\}} = F_p[u]/(u^2 - e_2)$.

e_6 is the constant of the irreducible polynomial of $F_{\{p^6\}} = F_{\{p^2\}}[v]/(v^3 - e_6)$.

e_{12} is the constant of the irreducible polynomial of $F_{\{p^{12}\}} = F_{\{p^6\}}[w]/(w^2 - e_{12})$.

h'' is the cofactor of r in $F_{\{p^{12}\}}^*$ s.t. $h'' = h''_1 * h''_2$

h''_1 is the part of cofactor of r in $F_{\{p^{12}\}}^*$ s.t. $h''_1 = (p^4 - p^2 + 1)/r$

h''_2 is the part of cofactor of r in $F_{\{p^{12}\}}^*$ s.t. $h''_2 = (p^6 - 1) * (p^2 + 1)$

For the elliptic curve $E(F_p)$ on BLS48

G1-Curve-ID is an identifier of the G_1 curve with which the curve can be referenced.

p_b is a prime specifying a base field F_p .

B is the coefficient of the equation $y^2 = x^3 + B \bmod p$ defining E .

$G = (x, y)$ is the base point, i.e., a point with x and y being its x - and y -coordinates in E , respectively.

r is the prime order of the group generated by G .

h is the cofactor of G in $E(F_p)$

For twisted curve $E'(F_{p^8})$ on BLS48

G2-Curve-ID is an identifier of the G_2 curve with which the curve can be referenced.

p_b' is a prime specifying a base field.

B' is the coefficient of the equation $y'^2 = x'^3 + B' \bmod F_{p^2}$ defining E' .

$G' = (x', y')$ is the base point, i.e., a point with x' and y' being its x' - and y' -coordinates in E' , respectively.

r' is the prime order of the group generated by G' .

h' is the cofactor of r' in $\#E'(F_{p^8})$.

For $F_{p^{48}}^{**}$ on BLS48

G3-Field-ID is an identifier of the $F_{p^{48}}^{**}$.

p_b is a prime specifying a base field.

r'' is the prime order of the group generated by G' .

h'' is the cofactor of r' in $\#E'(F_{p^{48}})$.

For the definition of the pairing parameter

Pairing-Param-ID is the set of the identifiers G1-Curve-ID, G2-Curve-ID and G3-Field-ID.

3.2. Efficient Domain Parameters for BN462

This section specifies the domain parameters for four 128-bit secure elliptic curves BN462.

3.2.1. Domain Parameters by Beuchat et al.

The domain parameters described in this subsection are defined by elliptic curve $E(F_p) : y^2 = x^3 + 5$ and sextic twist $E'(F_{p^2}) : x'^3 + 5/s = x'^3 + 2 - u$, where $F_{p^2} = F_p[u]/(u^2 + 1)$, $F_{p^6} = F_{p^2}[v]/(v^3 - u)$, $F_{p^{12}} = F_{p^6}[w]/(w^2 - v)$, $s = -5/u$. We describe domain parameters of elliptic curves E and E' . The parameter p_b is 1 mod 8.

G1-Curve-ID: Fp462nBN

$p_b = 0x240480360120023ffffffffffff6ff0cf6b7d9bfca000000000000d812908f41c8020ffffffffffff6ff66fc6ff687f6400000000002401b00840138013$

$x = 0x21a6d67ef250191fadba34a0a30160b9ac9264b6f95f63b3edbec3cf4b2e689db1bbb4e69a416a0b1e79239c0372e5cd70113c98d91f36b6980d$

$y = 0x0118ea0460f7f7abb82b33676a7432a490eeda842cccfa7d788c659650426e6af77df11b8ae40eb80f475432c66600622ecaa8a5734d36fb03de;$

$r = 0x240480360120023FFFFFFFFFFFF6FF0CF6B7D9BFCA000000000000D812908F41C8020FFFFFFFFFFFF6FF66FC6FF687F6400000000002401B00840138013$

$h = 1$

G2-Curve-ID: Fp462n2BN

$p_b = 0x2370fb049d410fbe4e761a9886e502417d023f401800000017e80600000000001$

$e2 = -5 \text{ in } F_p$

$B' = 2 - u$

$x' = 0x1d2e4343e8599102af8edca849566ba3c98e2a354730cb$
 $ed9176884058b18134dd86bae555b783718f50af8b59bf7e$
 $850e9b73108ba6aa8cd283*u +$
 $0x257ccc85b58dda0dfb38e3a8cbdc5482e0337e7c1cd9$
 $6ed61c913820408208f9ad2699bad92e0032ae1f0aa6a8b4$
 $8807695468e3d934ae1e4df$

$y' = 0x73ef0cbd438cbe0172c8ae37306324d44d5e6b0c69ac5$
 $7b393f1ab370fd725cc647692444a04ef87387aa68d53743$
 $493b9eba14cc552ca2a93a*u +$


```
0xa0650439da22c1979517427a20809eca035634706e23c3f
a7a6bb42fe810f1399a1f41c9ddae32e03695a140e7b11d
7c3376e5b68df0db7154e
```

$r' = r$

```
h' = 0x240480360120023fffffffffff6ff0cf6b7d9bfca0000000000
d812908fa1ce0227fffffffffff6ff66fc63f5f7f4c0000000000
2401b008a0168019
```

G3-Field-ID: Fp462n12

```
p_b = 0x2370fb049d410fbe4e761a9886e502417d023f40180000017e80600000
000001
```

$r'' = r$

$e2 = -5$ in F_p

$e6 = u$ in $F_{\{p^2\}}$

$e12 = v$ in $F_{\{p^6\}}$

$h'' =$ (TBD)

$h''_1 =$ (TBD)

$h''_2 =$ (TBD)

```
Pairing-Param-ID: Fp462BN = {
    G1-Curve-ID: Fp462nBN
    G2-Curve-ID: Fp462n2BN
    G3-Field-ID: Fp462n12BN
}
```

[3.3.](#) Efficient Domain Parameters for BLS48

This section specifies the domain parameters for four 256-bit secure elliptic curves BLS48.

[3.3.1.](#) Domain Parameters by Kiyomura et al.

The domain parameters described in this subsection are defined by elliptic curve $E(F_p) : y^2 = x^3 + 1$ and following tower structures $E'(F_{\{p^8\}}) : y^2 = x^3 - 1/w$, where $F_{\{p^2\}} = F_p[u]/(u^2 + 1)$, $F_{\{p^4\}} = F_{\{p^2\}}[v]/(v^2 + u + 1)$, $F_{\{p^8\}} = F_{\{p^4\}}[w]/(w^2 + v)$, $F_{\{p^{24}\}} = F_{\{p^8\}}[z]/(z^3 + w)$, $f_{\{p^{48}\}} = f_{\{p^{24}\}}[s]/(s^2 + z)$.

The polynomials $p(x)$, $r(x)$ and $t(x)$ satisfies CM equation $D = 3$, $n(x) = p(x) + 1 - t(x)$, $4p(x) - t(x)^2 = Df(x)^2$.

$$p(x) = (x - 1)^2(x^{16} - x^8 + 1)/3 + x.$$

$$r(x) = x^{16} - x^8 + 1.$$

$$t(x) = x + 1.$$

x_0 is specific parameter in CM equation.

$$x_0 = -1 + 2^7 - 2^{20} - 2^{30} - 2^{32}.$$

G1-Curve-ID: Fp581nBLS48

$p_b =$

0x1280f73ff3476f313824e31d47012a0056e84f8d122131bb3be6c0f1f3975444
a48ae43af6e082acd9cd30394f4736daf68367a5513170ee0a578fdf721a4a48ac
3ed c154e6565912b

$x = 0x05$

$y = 0x491acfa2307425af23c3444bb9f7c38b86fe62a4105f1a06bac418fb4244$
 $afb7b6b932b9a4a3c048637613a50e88b86e9e37a154f077398b0d26f51ce737e$
 $2e1e768d5b0dc461d83a$

$r = 0x2386f8a925e2885e233a9ccc1615c0d6c635387a3f0b3cbe003fad6bc972$
 $c2e6e741969d34c4c92016a85c7cd0562303c4ccbe599467c24da118a5fe6fcd6$
 $71c01$

$h = 0x85555841aaaec4ac$

G2-Curve-ID: Fp581n8BLS48

$p_b' = 0x2386f8a925e2885e233a9ccc1615c0d6c635387a3f0b3cbe00$
 $3fad6bc972c2e6e741969d34c4c92016a85c7cd0562303c4cc$
 $be599467c24da118a5fe6fcd671c01$

$x' = 0x827d5c22fb2bdec5282624c4f4aaa2b1e5d7a9defaf47b5211cf$
 $741719728a7f9f8cfca93f29cff364a7190b7e2b0d4585479bd6ae$
 $bf9fc44e56af2fc9e97c3f84e19da00fbc6ae34*u*v*w + b9b795$
 $1c6061ee3f0197a498908aee660dea41b39d13852b6db908ba2c0b$
 $7a449cef11f293b13ced0fd0caa5efcf3432aad1cbe4324c22d633$
 $34b5b0e205c3354e41607e60750e057*v*w + c96c7797eb073860$
 $3f1311e4ecda088f7b8f35dcef0977a3d1a58677bb037418181df6$
 $3835d28997eb57b40b9c0b15dd7595a9f177612f097fc7960910fc$
 $e3370f2004d914a3c093a*u*w + 38b91c600b35913a3c598e4caa$
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54dec34fd0b4ace8bfab

y' = 0x35e2524ff89029d393a5c07e84f981b5e068f1406be8e50c8754
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2fcbf3afb096b243b1f192c5c3d1892ab24e1dd212fa097d760e2e
588b423525ffc7b111471db936cd5665*u + eb53356c375b5dfa4
97216452f3024b918b4238059a577e6f3b39ebfc435faab0906235
afa27748d90f7336d8ae5163c1599abf77eea6d659045012ab12c0
ff323edd3fe4d2d7971

r' = r

h' = 0x170e915cb0a6b7406b8d94042317f811d6bc3fc6e211ada42e
58ccfcb3ac076a7e4499d700a0c23dc4b0c078f92def8c87b7
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6bf4c26f1ea7ec578058563960ef92bbbbb8632d3a1b695f954
af10e9a78e40acffc13b06540aae9da5287fc4429485d44e62
89d8c0d6a3eb2ece35012452751839fb48bc14b515478e2ff4
12d930ac20307561f3a5c998e6bcbfebd97effc6433033a236
1bfc4dc4fc74ad379a16c6dea49c209b1

G3-Field-ID: Fp581n48BLS48

p_b = (TBD)

r' =

0x33325e51b8485cacb1cf7e79521a2c07ed618593bc2b823693827cddd501 412
8f299770734d9658ec3da72c829e2bfdfa5bcb0dcac0f0dd385da0b70a1f1800f3
920706ac684379b30abec1422f3428ce3b9ea1d92e0995ded30bb3f127dd47570d
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Pairing-Param-ID: Fp581BLS48 = {
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    G2-Curve-ID: Fp581BLS48n8
    G3-Field-ID: Fp581BLS48n48
}

```

4. Optimal Ate Pairing

This section specifies Optimal Ate Pairing e for c_0, \dots, c_l and $s_i = \sum_{j=i}^l c_j * q^j$ with the following conditions

1. c_l is not 0
2. r is a divisor of s_0
3. r^2 is not a divisor of s_0
4. r does not divide $s_0 * k * q^{k-1} - (q^k - 1)/r * \sum_{i=0}^l i * c_i * q^{i-1}$

[Section 4.1](#) shows a guide to decide these parameters c_0, \dots, c_l . Optimal Ate Pairing is specified below and Miller Loop f which are its building blocks are introduced in [Section 4.2](#). Straight Line Function l which is building blocks of Optimal Ate Pairing and Miller Loop are defined in [Section 4.3](#). [Section 4.3](#) only show the definitions because its descriptions are based on the form (of the PFC?). Practically, concrete algorithms need to be specified for a form of PFC.

Input:

- o A point P in G_1
- o A point Q in G_2

Output:

- o The value $e(P, Q)$ in G_3

Method:


```

1.  f = 1

2.  ln = 1

3.  for i = 0 to l
    (a) f = f * f_{c_i, Q}^{q^i}(P)
    end for

4.  for i = 0 to l - 1
    (a) ln = ln * l_{[s_i + 1]Q, [c_i * q^i]Q}(P)
    end for

5.  return (f * ln)^{(q^k - 1)/r}

```

4.1. Guide for Decision on Parameters for Optimal Ate Pairing

This subsection shows a guide for decision on parameters c_0, \dots, c_l for Optimal Ate Pairing. According to [2], a way is to choose coefficients of short vector of the following lattice L with a minimal number of coefficients as parameters c_0, \dots, c_l .

$L = (v_1, \dots, v_{\phi(k)})$ where

- o v_1 is column vector $t(r, -q, -q^2, \dots, -q^{\phi(k) - 1})$
- o v_i is column vector whose i -th component is 1 and other components is 0 for $i = 2, \dots, \phi(k)$

4.2. Miller Loop

In this subsection, we specify Miller Loop f which is building block of Optimal Ate Pairing.

Input:

- o A point P in G_1
- o A point Q in G_2
- o An integer s

Output:

- o $f_{\{s, Q\}}(P)$

Method:

1. compute s_0, \dots, s_L such that $|s| = \sum_{j=0}^L s_j \cdot 2^j$ with s_j is in $\{0, 1\}$ and $s_L = 1$
2. $T = Q$
3. $f = 1$
4. for $j = L - 1$ down to 0
 - (A) Doubling Step
 - (a) $l_n = l_{\{T, T\}}(P)$
 - (b) $T = 2 * T$
 - (B) $f = f^2 * l_n$
 - (C) if $s_j = 1$
 - (a) Addition Step
 - (i) $l_n = l_{\{T, Q\}}(P)$
 - (ii) $T = T + Q$
 - (b) $f = f' * l_n$
- end if
- end for
5. if $s < 0$, then $f = f^{-1}$
6. return f

4.3. Straight Line Function

Straight Line Function $l_{\{Q, Q'\}}(P)$ is calculated by a point P for linear equation defined as a line l though points Q, Q' . Note that Straight Line Function $l_{\{Q, Q'\}}(P)$ is calculated by a point P for linear equation defined as a tangent line to an elliptic curve E at a point Q of E on condition that $Q = Q'$. The function is used for Optimal Ate Pairing in [Section 4](#) and Miller Loop in [Section 4.2](#)

5. Algorithm Identifiers

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6. Security Considerations

The pairing is a map from two elliptic curves G_1 and G_2 to a multiplicative subgroup of a finite field.

Typically, G_1 (respectively G_2) is a cyclic subgroup in $E(F_p)$ (respectively $E'(F_{p^{k/d}})$) of prime order r , where k is the embedding degree and d is the degree of the twist. The group G_3 is a set of r -th roots of unity in $F_{p^k}^*$. In this section, G_1' , G_2' and G_3' denote $E(F_p)$, $E'(F_{p^{k/d}})$ and $F_{p^k}^*$ respectively.

Pairing-based cryptographic primitives are often based on the hardness of the following problems.

The elliptic curve discrete logarithm problem in G_1' and G_2' (ECDLP)

The finite field discrete logarithm problem in G_3' (FFDLP)

The elliptic curve computational Diffie-Hellman (CDH) problem in G_1' and G_2'

The elliptic curve computational co-Diffie-Hellman problem in G_1' and G_2'

The elliptic curve decisional Diffie-Hellman (DDH) problem in G_1'

The bilinear Diffie-Hellman (BDH) problem

On the side of G_1' and G_2' , the best known algorithm (for instance, Pollard-rho algorithm [10]) to solve ECDLP has a running time of $O(\sqrt{r})$, which is exponential in $\log(r)$, where r is the order of the target group. Thus, for a security parameter ℓ , one should set r so that $\log_2(r) > 2\ell$.

On the side of G_3' , one has more efficient algorithm based on Number Field Sieve methods (cite Gordon93 paper here, if you want). The complexity of the NFS (including its variants) is subexponential in the size of the finite field and is independent from the size of the subgroup order r . Recall the classical L -notation, $L(q, a, c) = \exp((c+o(1)) \log(q)^a \log(\log(q))^{1-a})$. Before 2016, the best known algorithm for FFDLP has had a running time of $L(p^k, 1/3, 1.92)$ and the parameters of currently used pairings are derived from the above value. At CRYPTO2016, however, Kim and Barbulescu proposed a new

variant of the NFS method that drastically reduces the complexity of solving FFDLP from $L(p^k, 1/3, 1.92)$ to $L(p^k, 1/3, 1.53)$ in the best case[11]. For instance, Barbulescu estimates that the security of the pairing over BN curve, which was believed to have 128-bit security, drops to approximately 100-bit security. Hence, it has become necessary to revise the bit length of $q=p^k$ so that the FFDLP over F_{p^k} is computationally infeasible against this new efficient NFS algorithm.

G_3' to be larger than G_1' and G_2' , because FFDLP can be computed more efficiently than ECDLP in most cases. Security level of schemes based on pairing depends most weak level for each problems. Thus implementers should necessary to ensure adequate security level for both of problems.

6.1. 128-bit Secure PFC

Barreto and Naehrig showed how to construct pairing-friendly curves[13]. We have chosen 462-bit prime order curve and described in [Section 3](#).

6.2. 256-bit Secure PFC

Five 256-bit secure domain parameters have been proposed by Kiyomura[12]. We have chosen the BLS48 as 256-bit secure PFC and described in [Section 3](#).

7. Acknowledgements

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8. Change log

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[Appendix A](#). Test Vectors of Optimal Ate Pairing

In this section, we specify test vectors of Optimal Ate Pairing over BN-curve and BLS-curve which are specified by [Section 3](#) in the following way.

Parameter:

Pairing-Param-ID is an identifier with which the pairing parameter set can be referenced.

Input:

P is a point of E in G₁

Q is a point of E' in G₂

Output:

e(P, Q) is computation of pairing in G₃

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