

# Enhanced Digital Signature using Splitted Exponent Digit Representation

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(i.e. when one needs to compute a lot of signature with the same public key)

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## Fixed-base Comb Method

In this method, the exponent  $k$  is written in  $w$  rows, and the columns are processed one at a time. Thus,  $d = \lceil t/w \rceil$  is the column size.

$$k = K^{w-1} \parallel \dots \parallel K^1 \parallel K^0$$

Each  $K^j$  is a bit string of length  $d$ . Let  $K_i^j$  denote the  $i^{\text{th}}$  bit of  $K^j$ .

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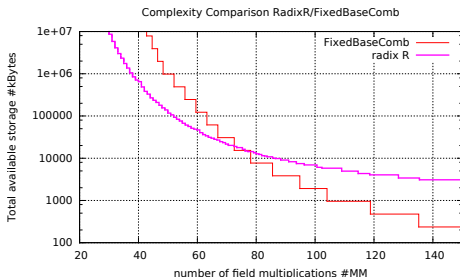
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key size  $t = 512$  bits ( $MS = 0.86 \times MM$ ).

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$C$  is a carry ( $0 \leq C < m_1$ ):

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and one gets  $k_{i+1} \geq 0$ .

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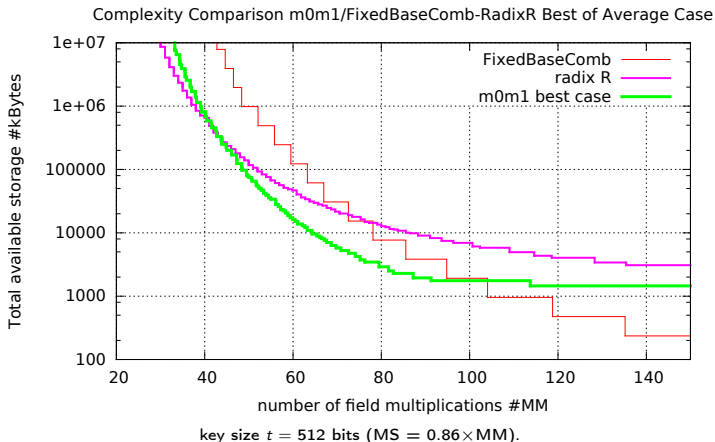
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# Complexity of the Exponentiation Algorithm



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- Drawback of the  $m_0m_1$  based exponentiation :

not constant time computation (see the algorithm).

Is it possible to improve the algorithm to render it side-channel attack resistant?

## Recoding Algorithm $\rightarrow R$ -splitting

$k$  is the scalar, represented in radix  $R$ , prime integer:

$$k = \sum_{i=0}^{\ell-1} k_i R^i, \text{ with } \ell = \lceil t / \log_2(R) \rceil,$$

$\Rightarrow$  Extended Euclidean Algorithm:

(EEA,  $r_j$  is the sequence of Euclidean remainders):

$$r_j = u_j \times R + v_j \times k_i. \quad (1)$$

One sets  $c$  the upper bound of  $r_j$ , to terminate the EEA (and  $\lceil R/c \rceil$  is the upper bound of  $|v_j|$ ). We then keep  $k_i^{(0)} = r_j$  and  $k_i^{(1)} = v_j$ .

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$$k_i = k_i^{(0)} \cdot (R - |(-k_i^{(1)})^{-1}|_R) - \overbrace{\left\lfloor \frac{k_i^{(0)} \cdot |(k_i^{(1)})^{-1}|_R}{R} \right\rfloor}^c \cdot R.$$

Let us denote  $C = \left\lfloor \frac{k_i^{(0)} \cdot |(k_i^{(1)})^{-1}|_R}{R} \right\rfloor - k_i^{(0)}$  ( $-c \leq C \leq c < R$ )

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One notices:

- The case  $k_i^{(1)} = 0$  does not need to be taken into account;
- it might be necessary to process a last carry  $C$ .

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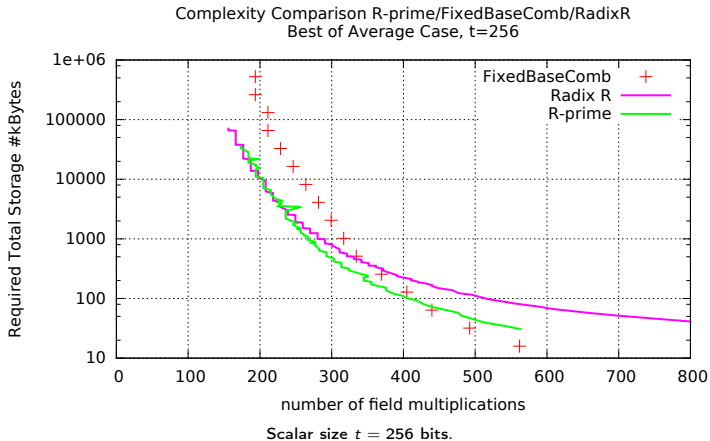
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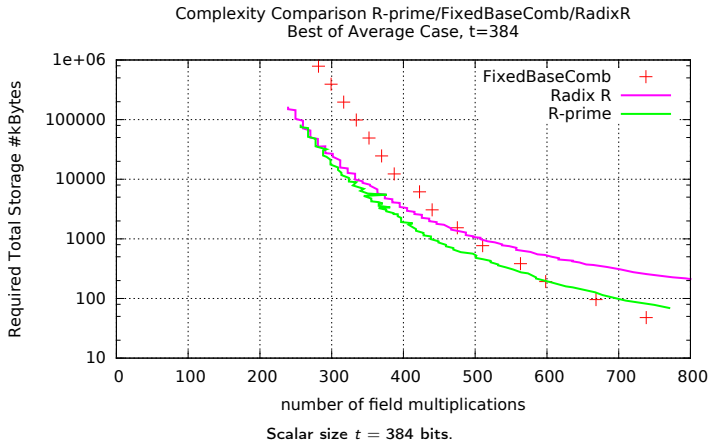
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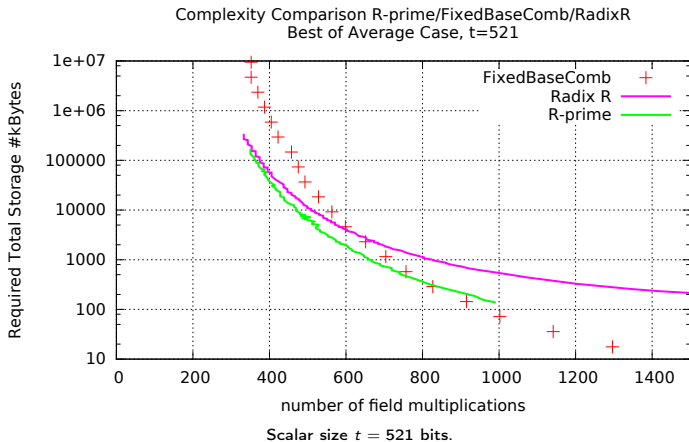
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# Implementation of the $m_0m_1$ exponentiation algorithm

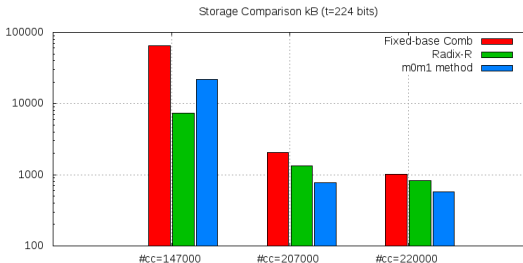
For the three considered exponentiation algorithms:

- C language, compiled with gcc 4.8.3;
- Multiprecision Integer Operations: low-level functions of the GMP library;
- Modular Reduction: block Montgomery approach;
- Test processing : a few hundred of dataset for each size, with multiple run and averaging of the minimum of every dataset;
- The timings in clock cycles include the recoding;
- Tests for the following standards (fips 186-4):

NIST key size (bits)	224	256	384	512
field element size (bits)	2048	3072	7680	15360

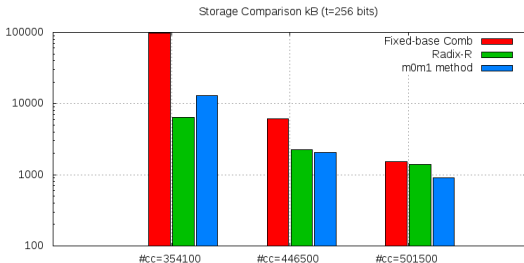
# Performances

Modular Exponentiation			
State of the Art methods			
<i>Fixed-base Comb</i>	radix $R$	$m_0, m_1$ rec.	ratio
#CC Storage	#CC Storage	#CC Storage	$m_0, m_1$ / Best S.o.A.
key size 224 bits, field size 2048 bits (level of security: 112 bits)			
221108 CC 1023.5 kB ( $w = 12$ )	227838 CC 829 kB ( $R = 91$ )	219864 CC 580 kB ( $m_0 = 89, m_1 = 6$ )	$\times 0.994$ $\times 0.700$
210074 CC 2047.5 kB ( $w = 13$ )	206888 CC 1324 kB ( $R = 163$ )	207072 CC 766 kB ( $m_0 = 127, m_1 = 7$ )	$\times 0.985$ $\times 0.579$
149690 CC 65535 kB ( $w = 18$ )	147877 CC 7289kB ( $R = 1223$ )	146156 CC 21599 kB ( $m_0 = 5417, m_1 = 6$ )	$\times 0.988$ $\times 2.96$



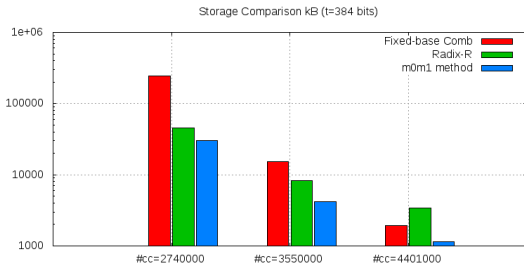
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#CC Storage	#CC Storage	#CC Storage	$m_0, m_1$ /Best S.o.A.
key size 256 bits, field size 3072 bits (level of security: 128 bits)			
524539 CC	502981 CC	501466 CC	$\times 0.997$
1535 kB ( $w = 12$ )	1411 kB ( $R = 91$ )	897 kB ( $m_0 = 79, m_1 = 6$ )	$\times 0.636$
449397 CC	445871 CC	446444 CC	$\times 1.001$
6143 kB ( $w = 14$ )	2251 kB ( $R = 163$ )	2056 kB ( $m_0 = 211, m_1 = 6$ )	$\times 0.913$
356892 CC	354640 CC	354071 CC	$\times 0.998$
98303 kB ( $w = 18$ )	6414 kB ( $R = 571$ )	12843 kB ( $m_0 = 1721, m_1 = 7$ )	$\times 2.002$



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key size 384 bits, field size 7680 bits (level of security: 192 bits)			
4442590 CC 1918 kB ( $w = 11$ )	4492191 CC 3430 kB ( $R = 53$ )	4409584 CC 1134 kB ( $m_0 = 23, m_1 = 10$ )	$\times 0.993$ $\times 0.591$
3554339 CC 15358 kB ( $w = 14$ )	3524896 CC 8290 kB ( $R = 163$ )	3551437 CC 4164 kB ( $m_0 = 113, m_1 = 10$ )	$\times 1.008$ $\times 0.502$
2736341 CC 245758 kB ( $w = 18$ )	2543480 CC 45221 kB ( $R = 1223$ )	2743399 CC 29961 kB ( $m_0 = 1031, m_1 = 7$ )	$\times 1.079$ $\times 0.662$





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<i>Fixed-base Comb</i>	radix $R$		
#CC Storage	#CC Storage	#CC Storage	$m_0, m_1$ /Best S.o.A.
key size 512 bits, field size 15360 bits (level of security: 256 bits)			
18632429 CC 15536 kB ( $w = 13$ )	19260731 CC 13765 kB ( $R = 91$ )	18550238 CC 4745 kB ( $m_0 = 41, m_1 = 10$ )	$\times 0.996$ $\times 0.345$
14848261 CC 122876 kB ( $w = 16$ )	15401002 CC 34418 kB ( $R = 163$ )	14813453 CC 22109 kB ( $m_0 = 257, m_1 = 11$ )	$\times 0.998$ $\times 0.642$
12477816 CC 983036 kB ( $w = 19$ )	12193232 CC 119061 kB ( $R = 1223$ )	12499600 CC 102820 kB ( $m_0 = 1381, m_1 = 7$ )	$\times 1.025$ $\times 0.863$



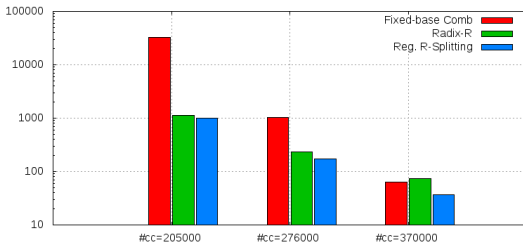
# Performances

Security level: 128 bits (NIST curve P256)

Scalar multiplication

Level of Clock-cycles	State of the art methods						Proposed approach		
	Fixed-base Comb			radix $R$			$R$ -splitting rec.		
	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$w$	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$R$	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$(R, c)$
370000	378184	64	12	376370	74	19	366057	37	(71,5)
276000	275230	1024	14	276917	231	89	276660	170	(257,3)
205000	207456	32768	19	206777	1120	641	203414	1012	(1699,2)

Storage Comparison kB (=P256 bits)



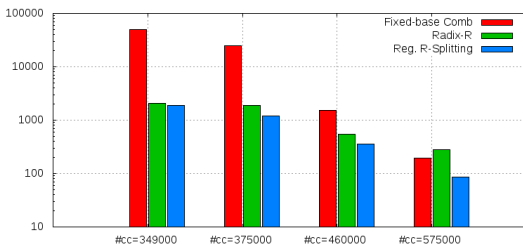
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Security level: 192 bits (NIST curve P384)

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	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$w$	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$R$	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$(R, c)$
575000	575854	192	11	571975	283	41	583590	86	(79,5)
460000	461271	1536	14	470537	547	97	451846	354	(233,3)
375000	376114	24576	18	372952	1861	433	378733	1214	(997,3)
349000	359578	49151	19	360786	2069	491	354919	1911	(1699,3)

Storage Comparison kB (=P384 bits)



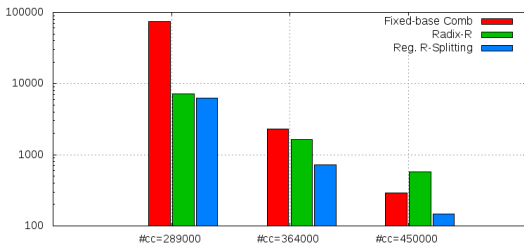
# Performances

Security level: 256 bits (NIST curve P521)

Scalar multiplication

Level of Clock-cycles	State of the art methods						Proposed approach		
	Fixed-base Comb			radix $R$			$R$ -splitting rec.		
	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$w$	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$R$	Time (#CC)	Storage (kB)	$(R, c)$
450000	446633	288	11	451280	572	41	449550	146	(97,7)
364000	363615	2304	14	362166	1621	157	367299	726	(433,5)
289000	289085	73728	19	288394	7217	937	290146	6243	(2897,3)

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# Conclusion

→ We have presented:

- Main State of the Art approaches for modular exponentiation;
- Our Contributions:
  - $m_0m_1$  RNS digit recoding for exponent;
  - Enhanced algorithms for modular exponentiation;
  - $R$ -splitting (alternative to the  $m_0m_1$  recoding);
  - Improvements to thwart side-channel analysis (timing attacks...);
  - Application to ECDSA (Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm);
  - Software implementations;
- This work has been accepted for publication in the JCEN.

Je vous remercie de votre attention,  
et suis à l'écoute de vos questions ?