

# Montgomery Multiplication Using Vector Instructions

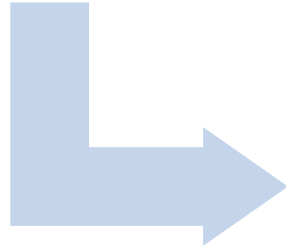
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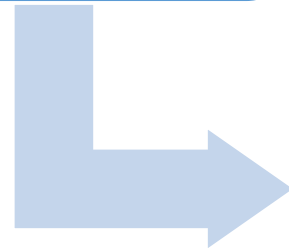
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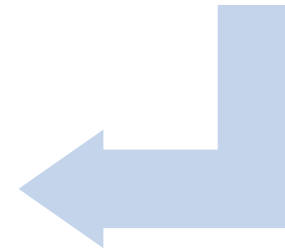
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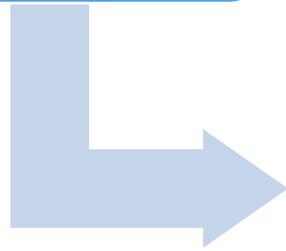
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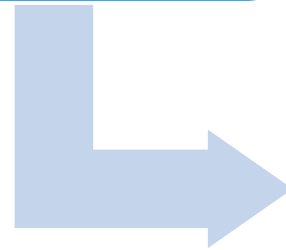
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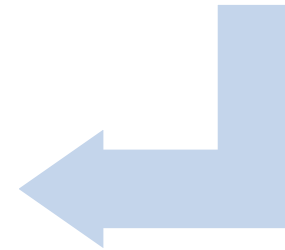
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ECC often use  
primes of a  
special form:  
NIST curves,  
curve25519

Useful for  
pairings

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Montgomery (Math. Comp. 1985) observed that we can avoid the expensive division when  $M$  is odd

$$\frac{A}{2} \pmod{M} = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{2} & \text{if } A \text{ is even} \\ \frac{A+M}{2} & \text{if } A \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$A + M \times \left( (A \times -M^{-1}) \pmod{2^{32}} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{2^{32}},$$

precompute  $\mu = -M^{-1} \pmod{2^{32}}$

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Output:  $C = AB2^{-32n} \bmod M$

$C = 0$

for  $i = 0$  to  $n - 1$  do

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## Idea

Flip the sign of  $\mu$ :  $\mu = +M^{-1} \bmod 2^{32}$

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# 2-way SIMD Interleaved Montgomery Multiplication

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 $d_{i-1} \leftarrow p_0 \bmod 2^{32}$   
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## Computation 2

$e_i = 0$  for  $0 \leq i < n$   
**for**  $j = 0$  to  $n - 1$  **do**  
 $q \leftarrow ((\mu \cdot b_0) \cdot a_j + \mu \cdot (d_0 - e_0)) \bmod 2^{32}$   
 $t_1 \leftarrow q \cdot m_0 + e_0$  // Note that  $t_0 \equiv t_1 \pmod{2^{32}}$   
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Non-SIMD part

$$C = \sum_i d_i 2^{32i} - \sum_i e_i 2^{32i}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 q &= \left( (\mu b_0) a_j + \mu (d_0 - e_0) \right) \bmod 2^{32} \\
 &= \left( (\mu b_0) a_j + \mu c_0 \right) \bmod 2^{32} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

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Based on #multiplications only we expect:

- 32-bit 2-way SIMD to be at most 2x as fast as 32-bit sequential
- 32-bit 2-way SIMD to be approximately 2x as slow as 64-bit sequential

# Benchmark hardware

Asus VivoTab  
Atom Z2760

Qualcomm  
Snapdragon S4

Surface RT  
(Tegra 3, Cortex-A9)

Dell XPS 10  
Snapdragon S4

NVIDIA  
Tegra 3 (Cortex-A9)

Not pictured: Tegra 4 (Cortex-A15) engineering board,  
Xeon x64 workstation

## Performance Results – x86

	Intel Xeon E31230 (3.2 GHz) - PC			Intel Atom Z2760 (1.8 GHz) - Tablet		
RSA	Classic	SIMD	Ratio	Classic	SIMD	Ratio
enc 2048	181,412	414,787	0.44	2,583,643	1,601,878	1.61
dec 2048	4,928,633	12,211,700	0.40	80,204,317	52,000,367	1.54

# Performance Results - ARM

	Dell XPS 10 tablet (1.8 GHz) Snapdragon S4			NVIDIA Tegra 4 (1.9 GHz) (dev board, Cortex-A15)			NVIDIA Tegra 3 T30 (1.4 GHz) (dev board, Cortex-A9)		
RSA	Classic	SIMD	Ratio	Classic	SIMD	Ratio	Classic	SIMD	Ratio
enc 2048	1,087,318	710,910	1.53	725,336	712,542	1.02	872,468	1,358,955	0.64
dec 2048	34,769,147	21,478,047	1.62	23,177,617	22,812,040	1.02	27,547,434	47,205,919	0.58

# Performance Results

Compare to results from:

eBACS: ECRYPT Benchmarking of Cryptographic Systems and OpenSSL

	Snapdragon S4 (1.8 GHz) vs Snapdragon S3 (1.78 GHz)		Intel Atom Z2760 (1.8 GHz) - Tablet	
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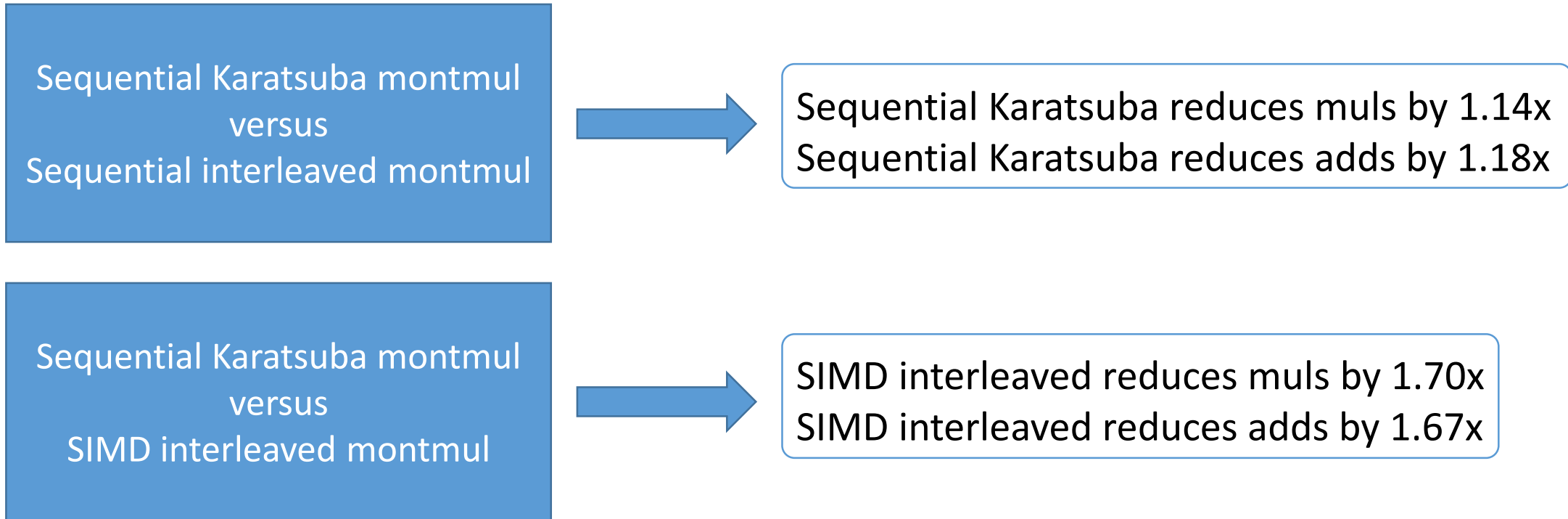


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What about faster multiplication methods (Karatsuba)?

- Incompatible with interleaved Montgomery multiplication
- Possible gain ([A]) on 32-bit platform for 1024-bit Montgomery multiplication

Following the analysis from [A] (one level Karatsuba) for 32-bit platforms



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## Modular Squaring

- $\text{Time}(\text{Montgomery squaring}) \approx 0.80 \times \text{Time}(\text{Montgomery Multiplication})$  [A]
- SIMD Montgomery squaring?
- We didn't use this optimization

# Conclusions

- ✓ Current vector instructions can be used to enhance the performance of Montgomery multiplication on modern embedded devices  
Examples: 32-bit x86 (SSE) and ARM (NEON) platforms
- ✓ Faster RSA-2048 on **some** tablets: performance on ARM differs significantly
- ✓ If future instruction set(s) support  $64 \times 64 \rightarrow 128$ -bit 2-way SIMD multipliers: enhance interleaved Montgomery multiplication performance

## Future work

- ❖ Investigate SIMD Karatsuba + SIMD (?) Montgomery reduction
- ❖ Investigate SIMD Montgomery squaring