

# A Vélú-like formula for computing isogenies on Abelian Varieties

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# Mumford: On equations defining Abelian varieties

## Theorem (car $k \neq \ell$ )

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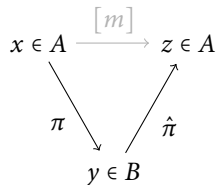
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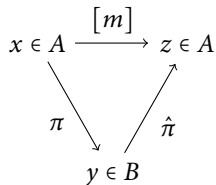
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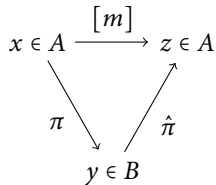
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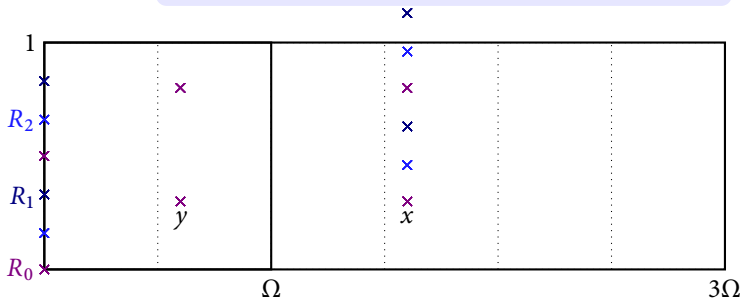
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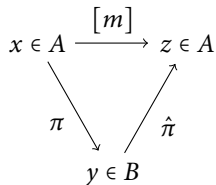


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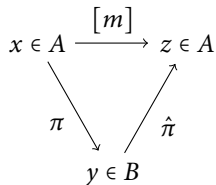
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# Program

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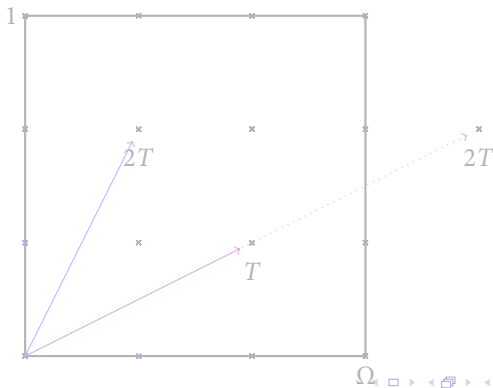
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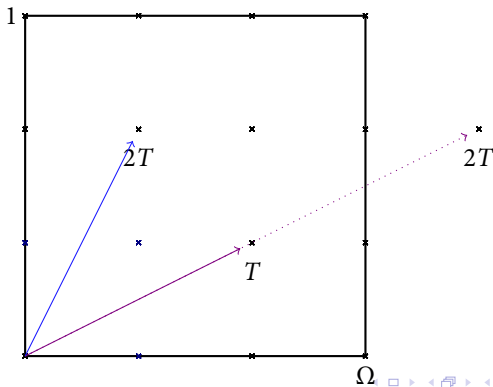
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