

An efficient Barrett reduction algorithm for Gaussian integer moduli

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- In this work, a novel reduction algorithm for Gaussian integers based on **Barrett's** concepts is derived:
 - Suitable for **arbitrary** Gaussian integer moduli, unlike algorithms from [3]
 - Provides equivalent computational complexity to the Montgomery reduction from [1, 2]
 - No need for Montgomery domain transformations

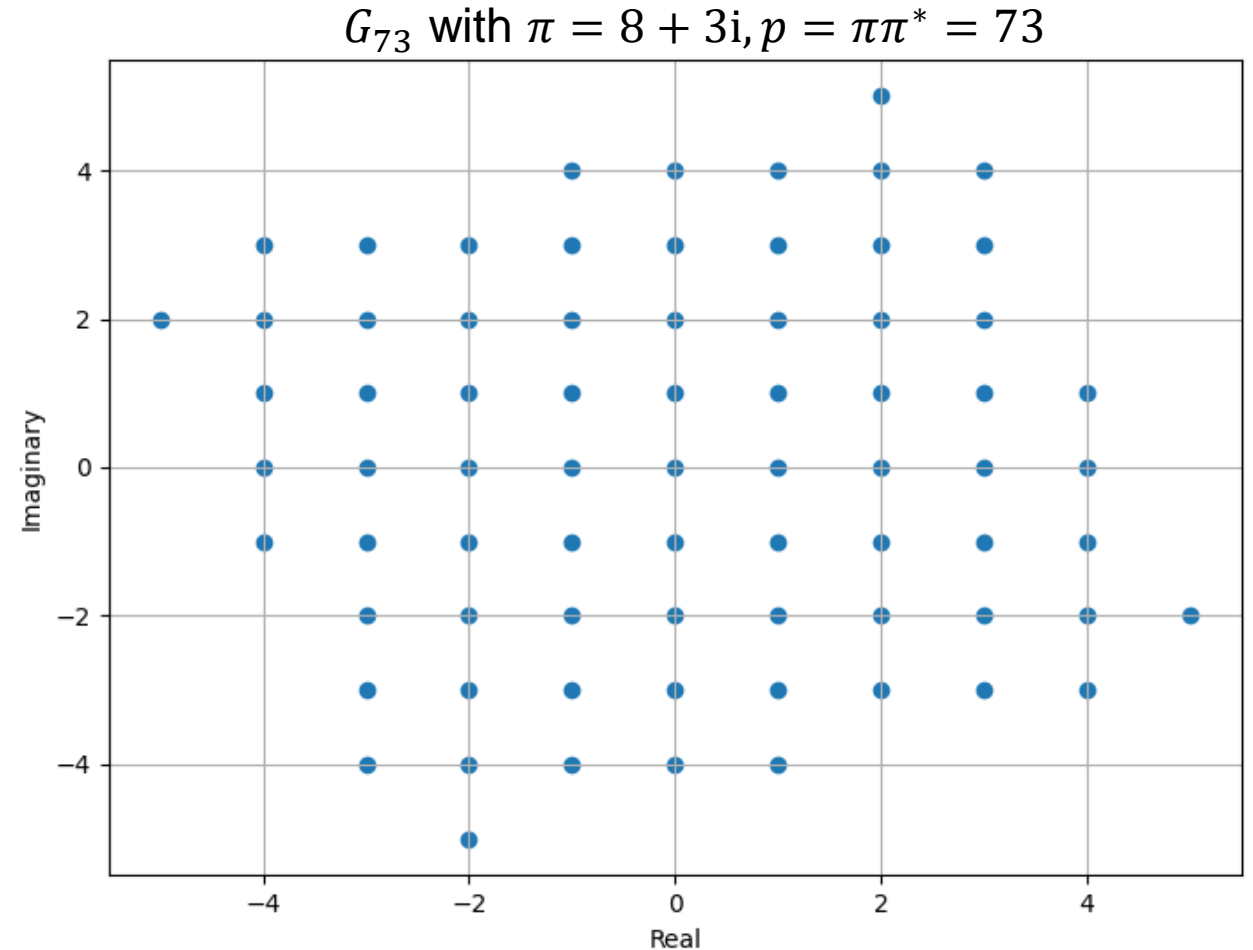
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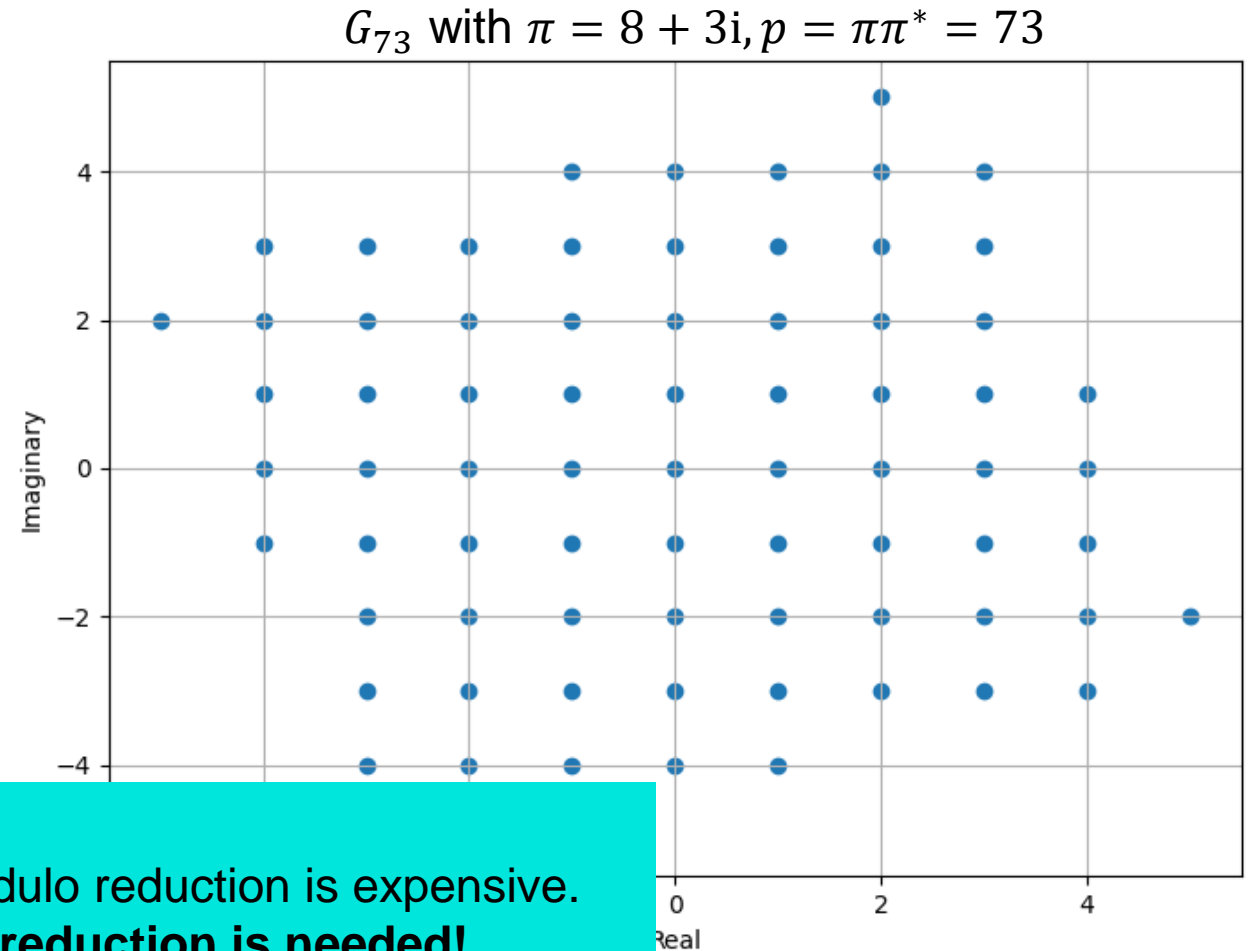


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- Consider the key k , the length of the key in bits r , and a point on the curve P , then the PM can be calculated using the Horner scheme as

$$k \cdot P = \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} k_j 2^j \cdot P = 2(\dots 2(2k_{r-1} + k_{r-2}P) + \dots) + k_0P$$

- It was shown in [4,5] that representing the key with non-binary base τ can reduce the computational complexity of the PM. Let κ be the integer k converted to the base τ , the PM can be calculated as

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This can also reduce the memory requirements for robust applications against side channel attacks (SCA)!

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- M describes multiplication-equivalent operations
- Binary key with $r = 163$ bits
- l is the number of iterations to calculate the point multiplication (PM)
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This example motivates the requirement of efficient modular arithmetic for Gaussian integers!

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- Replace the floor divisions with suitable low-cost rounding functions

- No need for steps 7 to 9, since Gaussian integers include negative integer numbers

- The final reduction for Gaussian integers is more complex
 → Use the improved Barrett and determine the corresponding values for γ, δ

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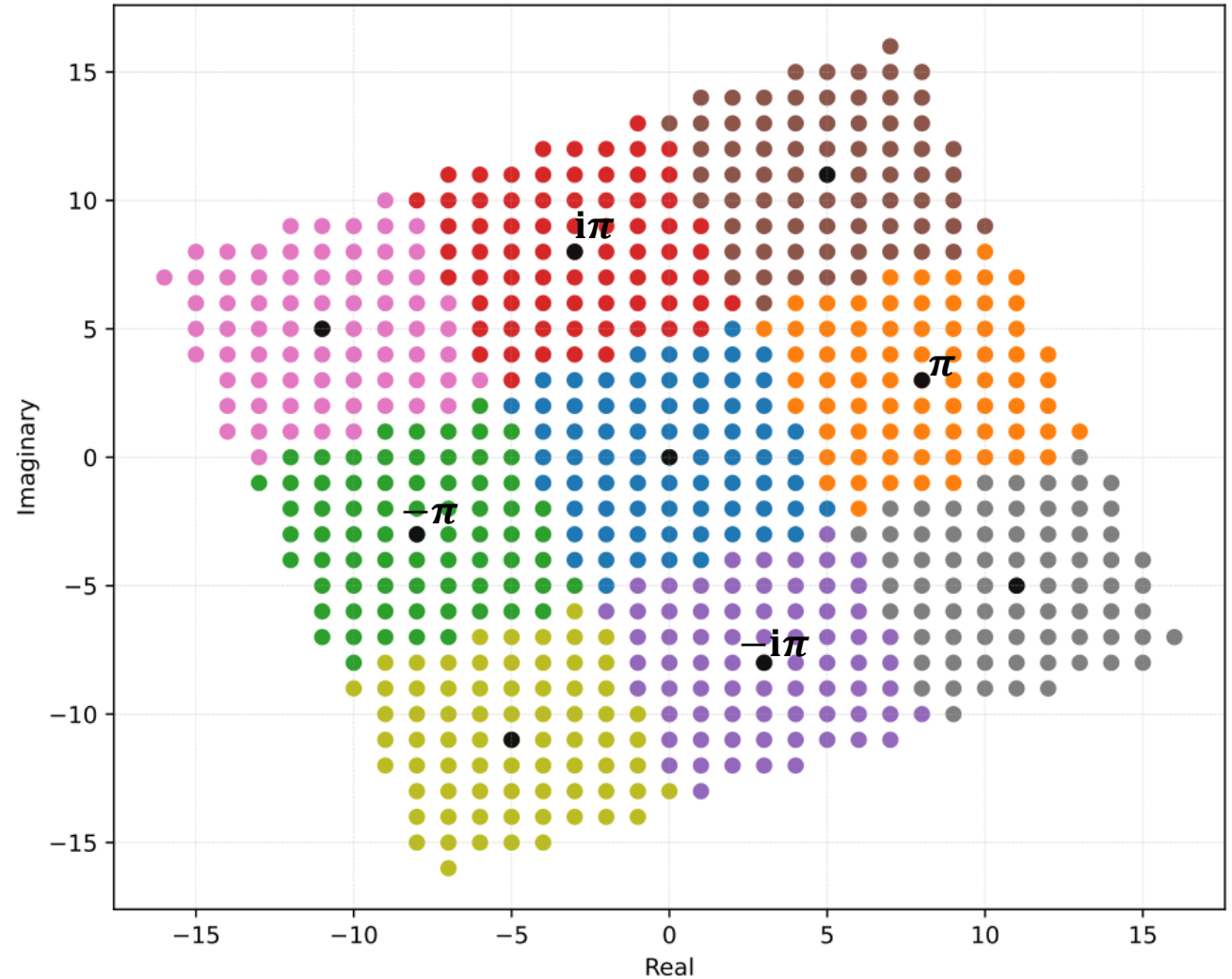
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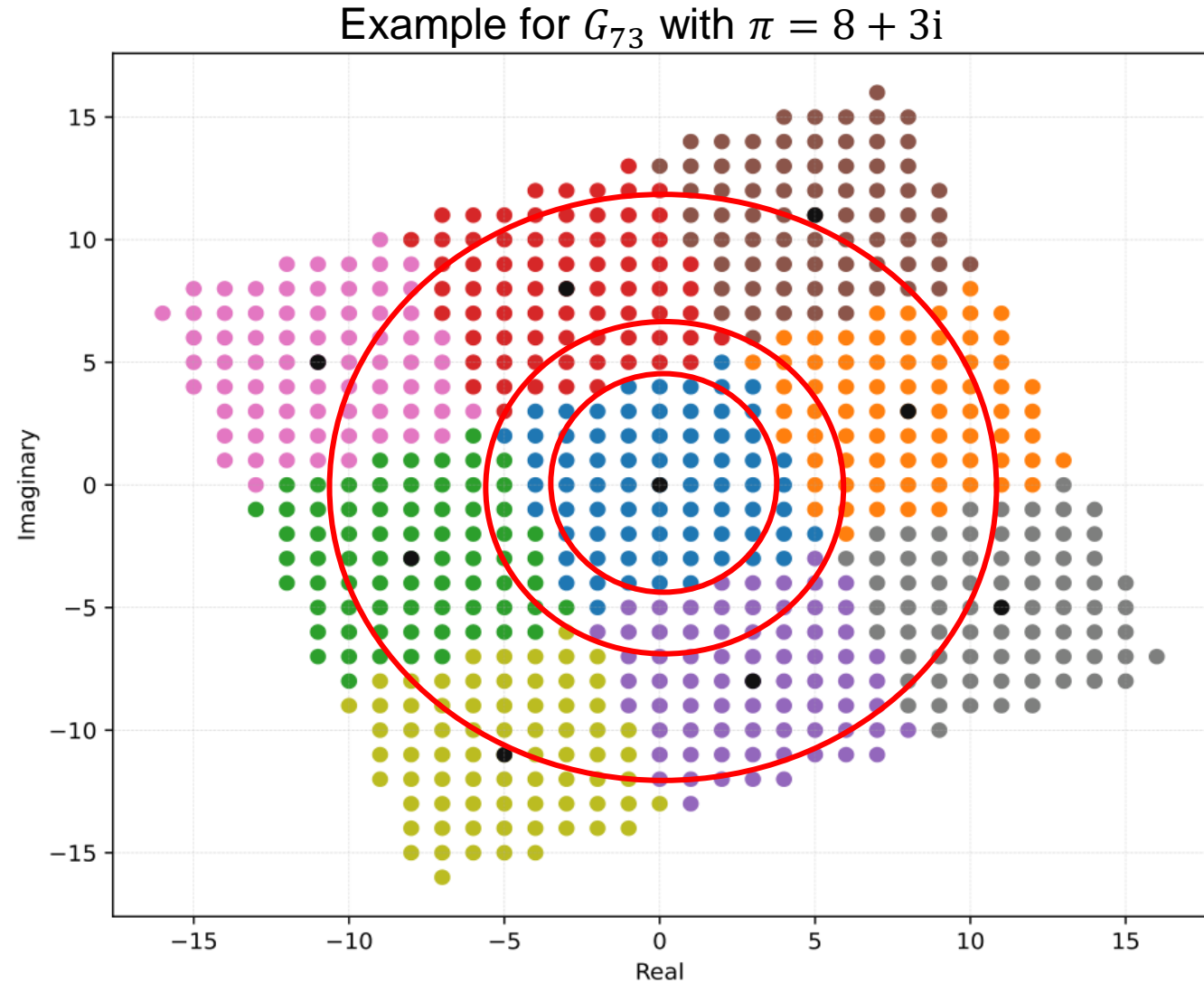
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Example for G_{73} with $\pi = 8 + 3i$



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Montgomery reduction for Gaussian integers according to [2]

- Computes $M = Z \bmod \pi$ for any Gaussian integers X, Y, π, Z in the Montgomery domain
- Uses only additions, multiplications, and digit operations (lines 1 to 6)
- No divisions are needed since R is a power of two (typically the word-size of the underlying processor)
 - The function `div` is identical to our `fdiv` rounding **towards** zero (digit shifts)
- Final reduction depends on $|q|$, where $|q| \leq \sqrt{2}$ [2]
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output: $M = \mu(Z) = ZR^{-1} \bmod \pi$

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5: else if ( $|q| < \frac{|\pi|}{\sqrt{2}}$ ) then
6:   determine  $\alpha'$ 
7:    $M = q - \alpha'\pi$ 
8: else
9:   determine  $\alpha''$ 
10:   $M = q - \alpha''\pi$ 
11: end if

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Capital letters demonstrate the representation in the Montgomery domain.
Montgomery domain transformations are required!

[2] M. Safieh, J. Freudenberger, **Montgomery Reduction for Gaussian Integers**, in *Cryptography*. 2021; 5(1):6.

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1: $t = Z\pi' \bmod R$ // bitwise AND of Re, Im with $R - 1$

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⋮

Final reduction on q

Proposed reduction

input: Gaussian integers z, μ, π , integer numbers β, γ, δ

output: Gaussian integer $r = z \bmod \pi$

1: $q_1 \leftarrow z \operatorname{cdiv} \beta^{k+\delta}$

2: $q_2 \leftarrow q_1 \mu$

3: $q_3 \leftarrow q_2 \operatorname{fdiv} \beta^{\gamma-\delta}$

4: $r_1 \leftarrow z \bmod \beta^{\gamma-\delta}$

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One complex addition/subtraction

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Complexity comparison

- Naïve modulo reduction $x \bmod \pi = x - \left\lfloor \frac{x\pi^*}{\pi\pi^*} \right\rfloor \cdot \pi$ [6]
- The costs for digit operations are not considered
- The Montgomery domain transformations are defined in [2]

	Addition / subtraction	Multiplication by a constant	Complex number division
Naïve reduction [6]	1	2	1 ←
Montgomery reduction [2]	1	2	-
→ Montgomery domain transformations [2]	2	5	-
Proposed reduction	1	2	-

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[6] K. Huber, **Codes over Gaussian integers**, in *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, pp. 207–216, 1994.

Conclusion

A novel and efficient reduction algorithm for Gaussian integers based on **Barrett's** concepts is presented

- Suitable for **arbitrary** Gaussian integer moduli
- Providing similar computational complexity as the **Montgomery** reduction for Gaussian integers
- Not requiring **domain transformations** as the Montgomery reduction
- Suitable for any application where modular arithmetic over Gaussian integers is needed (not only ECC !)



Thanks for your attention

Questions !?