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*Constructing Picard curves with complex multiplication using  
the Chinese Remainder Theorem*

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**Abstract:** For cryptographic protocols whose security relies on the difficulty of the discrete log problem of the underlying group, one often wants to find a group whose order is divisible by a large prime. One option for the group is the group of points of an elliptic curve over a finite field, or more generally, the group of points on the Jacobian of a curve over a finite field. To find curves over a finite field whose Jacobian has number of points divisible by a large prime, it suffices to construct curves whose Jacobian is ordinary and has complex multiplication (CM) by a given field  $K$ . Working with higher genus curves allows one to work over smaller fields than the elliptic curve case. I will present a new algorithm to construct a particular class of genus 3 curves, called Picard curves, whose Jacobian is ordinary with CM by a given field  $K$ . This is joint work with Kirsten Eisentraeger.

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