

Outline scription

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1 Introduction

Here I will explain the necessary mathematical background which will be:

- Some basic knowledge of algebra. (the reader should be familiar with groups/ rings/ finite fields ect.)
- Some knowledge of algebraic geometry. For example, reading and understanding the first two chapters of Silverman's "The arithmetic of Elliptic Curves" will suffice.
- Just general mathematical maturity. For example I will use the chinese remainder theorem without stating it.

2 Introduction to cryptography

In this chapter I will give the general outlay of Public-key cryptography and the DLP.

2.1 Public-key cryptography

2.2 complexity

2.3 the discrete logarithm problem

2.4 General attacks on the DLP

2.4.1 The Pohlig-Hellman Method

2.4.2 The baby step-giant step algorithm

2.4.3 the Pollard ρ and λ method

3 Elliptic Curves

In this section I will give the basic theory of elliptic curves. Most proofs will be omitted. For those I will refer to the book of Silverman.

Standard notation:

- E/K : E is defined over K .

- $\bar{K}(C)$: the function field of E over \bar{K} .

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3.1 Weierstrass Equations

- Define general/simplified Weierstrass equations.
- Define discriminant Δ , j -invariant j and the invariant differential ω .
- Proposition 1.4.
- Remark: Curves given by a Weierstrass equation are curves of genus 1.

3.2 Group law

- Definition of the group law.
- Proposition: The group law makes E into an abelian group.
- Proposition: The K rational points form a subgroup of E .
- Remark: $P = (x, y) \in E \Rightarrow -P = (x, -y)$.
- Notation $[m]P$.

3.3 Elliptic Curves

- Define Elliptic Curve E .
- Proposition 3.1. (Possibly with outlay of the proof.)
- Example.
- Remark: Using RR to give group law on any elliptic curve. Proposition 3.4/3.6.
- Corollary 3.5.

3.4 Isogenies

- Define Isogeny ϕ for elliptic curves.
- Remark: Either $\phi(E_1) = \{O\}$ or $\phi(E_1) = E_2$.
- Define (in)separable degree of ϕ .
- Define Endomorphism and Automorphism ring.
- Example 4.1.
- Proposition 4.2.(a)
- Define $E[m]$.
- Explain complex multiplication.
- Example(s).
- Theorem 4.8.
- Remark: Corollary 4.9.
- Theorem 4.10.

3.5 The Frobenius morphism

- Define the q -th Frobenius morphism for Curve of Characteristic p .
- Example.
- Proposition II.2.11.
- Corollary II.2.12.
- Proposition 1.5.
- Proposition 5.1.
- Theorem 5.2.
- Corollary 5.3.
- Corollary 5.5. (with proof)

3.6 The dual isogeny

- Theorem 6.1. (a)
- Define the dual isogeny.
- Theorem 6.2.
- Corollary 6.4.

3.7 The Tate module

- introductory remarks.
- Define Tate module.
- Proposition 7.1.
- Define the l -adic representation of the Galois group.
- Theorem 7.4.

3.8 The Weil Pairing

- Justification construction.
- Construction.
- Proposition 8.1.
- Corollary 8.1.1.
- Proposition 8.2.
- Proposition 8.3.
- Proposition 8.6.

3.9 the endomorphism ring

- Define complex quadratic order.
- Define quaternion algebra.
- Corollary 9.2.
- Remark: endomorphism ring of elliptic curve over finite field is never \mathbb{Z} .

4 Elliptic Curves over Finite Fields

Standard notation:

- q is a power of a prime p .
- \mathbb{F}_q is a finite field with q elements.
- $\bar{\mathbb{F}}_q$ is an algebraic Closure of \mathbb{F}_q .
- Remark ECDLP.
- Give small improvement for baby step- giant step algorithm.

4.1 The number of rational points

- Rough estimate $\leq 2q + 1$.
- Hasse's theorem.
- Use of legendre symbol to calculate number of rational points.
- Define Trace of frobenius morphism.
- Theorem 2.3.1.
- Linear recurrence for trace of q^n -frobenius morphism.

4.2 The endomorphism ring

- Theorem 3.1.(With proof)
- definition supersingular, ordinary and Hasse invariant.
- Theorem: E is supersingular iff p divides the trace of the Frobenius morphism.

4.3 The group structure of elliptic Curves

- Proposition: type of elliptic curve over finite field.
- Lemma1 from article MOV-attack.
- Lemma2 from article MOV-attack.
- Lemma3 from article MOV-attack.

4.4 Determining the Hasse Invariant

- Theorem 4.1.
- examples.

5 Schoof's algorithm

5.1 The division polynomials

- Define division polynomials ψ_n , the polynomials f_n and give recurrence relations.
- Proposition 2.1 from Schoof's Algorithm.
- Proposition 2.2 from Schoof's Algorithm.

5.2 General outlay of the algorithm

- give relation determining the trace of Frobenius mod l .
- Explain Estimation for number of primes.
- Give the relations to be tested.

5.3 Detailed description of the algorithm

- Give definition of gcd determining case distinction.
- Give detailed description of case 1.
- Give detailed description of case 2.

5.4 Efficiency of Schoof's algorithm

- Give theoretical complexity of algorithm.
- Give examined running times for several different primes.
- Draw conclusion.
- Remark on existing improvements of algorithm.

6 The MOV Attack

- Introductory remarks.

6.1 Index calculus

- General outlay.
- Worked out example.

6.2 Calculating the Weil Pairing

- description of algorithm.
- remark on complexity of the algorithm.

6.3 The Reduction

(The referrals are here to the article about the MOV attack.)

- Lemma 4.
- Lemma 5.
- Example.
- Lemma 6.
- Lemma 7.
- Theorem 10.
- Give algorithm.

6.4 Supersingular Curves

- Give Table 1 about supersingular curves.
- Give example(s) about how information of Table 1 was obtained.
- Give algorithm.
- Remarks on why the algorithm works.

6.5 Complexity

- Give theoretical estimation of the complexity of the algorithm.
- (If this algorithm is actually implemented) give examined running times and draw appropriate conclusions.

7 Anomalous curves

- Define Anomalous curves.
- Example.

7.1 The case $p = q$.

7.2 The general case.

8 Elliptic Curve cryptography

8.1 Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

8.2 Massey-Omura Encryption

8.3 ElGamal Public Key Encryption

8.4 A cryptosystem based on the Weil Pairing