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A:

GAUSS' ALGORITHM

1. Take random $\zeta \in \mathbb{F}_q$, compute $t = \text{Order}(\zeta)$
2. If $t = q - 1$, **stop**,
3. **else** take random $\beta \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$ and compute $s = \text{Order}(\beta)$
 - a. if $s = q - 1$, **stop**
 - b. **else** find coprime $d \mid t$ and $e \mid s$ with $d \cdot e = \text{lcm}(t, s)$
 - c. set $\zeta \leftarrow \zeta^{td} \cdot \beta^{se}$ and $t \leftarrow d \cdot e$ and **repeat** from 2.

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Take P and Q ,
Compute their torsion.
If P not full torsion,
take right multiple Q
set $P \leftarrow P + Q$ to fill
missing torsion in P
repeat until full torsion