

Math 440: Elliptic Curves Homework.

- #1. (i) Prove that any elliptic curve given by $E_K : y^2 = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c$ can be transformed into the form $y^2 = x'^3 + b'x' + c'$ through a translation $x' = x + t$ for some $t \in K$.
(ii) Does this affect the group structure of the curve, i.e. is the group for the new curve isomorphic to the original one?
(iii) Does such a t always exist in the field K ?

#2. Find the third intersection point of the line through $(1, 0)$ and $(9, 20)$ on the curve $E_{\mathbb{R}} : y^2 = x^3 - 4x^2 - x + 4$.

#3. Find all points of order 2 on the following curves

- $E_{\mathbb{R}} : y^2 = x^3 - 9x^2 + 16x - 4$
- $E_{\mathbb{R}} : y^2 = x^3 + x^2 + 6x$
- $E_{\mathbb{Q}} : y^2 = x^3 - 8x^2 + 17x - 10$
- $E_{\mathbb{Q}} : y^2 = x^3 + x^2 - 5x$

#4. Let S be a set with a binary operation $*$ satisfying the following two rules:

- (a) $P * Q = Q * P$ for all $P, Q \in S$
(b) $P * (P * Q) = Q$ for all $P, Q \in S$

Fix an element $\mathcal{O} \in S$, and define the binary operation $+$ by the rule

$$P + Q = \mathcal{O} * (P * Q)$$

- (i) Prove that $+$ is commutative and has \mathcal{O} as identity.
(ii) Show that $X = P * (Q * \mathcal{O})$ is a solution to $X + P = Q$.
(iii) Express $-P$ (the inverse of P under $+$) in terms of $*$.

#5. Use induction to show

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + x^2 = \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x}{6}$$

$$(Hint: \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x}{6} = \frac{x(x+1)(2x+1)}{6})$$

#6. Verify that $(0, 0) + 2(1, 1) = (24, -70)$ on the elliptic curve $E_{\mathbb{Q}} : y^2 = \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x}{6}$.

#7. If $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ and $n = \frac{ab}{2}$. Verify that

$$y^2 = x^3 - n^2x$$

where $y = \frac{(b^2 - a^2)c}{8}$ and $x = \frac{c^2}{4}$.

#8. Double the point $(-3, 36)$ on $E_{\mathbb{Q}} : y^2 = x^3 - 441x$ to find an a, b , and c that show 21 is a congruent number.