

Instructions: Problems 4 and 6 are to be handed in by next Friday (as always, theoretical part on Moodle, SAGE exercises via CoCalc).

1. (a) Code a function `doubleandadd(E,p,P,n)` that for an elliptic curve E/\mathbb{F}_p outputs the coordinates of $[n]P$ for points $P \in E(\mathbb{F}_p)$.
 (b) Write out the elliptic curve version of the Diffie Hellman key exchange (as was done in Lecture 4 for \mathbb{F}_p^*).
 (c) Use this with E/\mathbb{F}_{3851} given by $E : y^2 = x^3 + 324x + 1287$ and the point $P = (920, 303) \in E(\mathbb{F}_{3851})$ to share a secret key (just a secret point on $E(\mathbb{F}_{3851})$) with someone! (*Ideally, find a partner in the class to do this with.*)
2. (a) Code a function `annShanks(E,P,p)` that takes as input E/\mathbb{F}_p and a point $P \in E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ and outputs an integer m in the interval $(p+1-2\sqrt{p}, p+1+2\sqrt{p})$ such that $mP = O$ via Shanks babystep-giantstep method. (*Hint: In this setting, take $s \approx p^{1/4}$ and the babysteps compute $O, \pm P \pm 2P, \dots, \pm sP$. Then compute $Q = (2s+1)P$ and $R = (p+1)P$ and the giantsteps are $R \pm Q, R \pm 2Q, \dots, R \pm tQ$ for $t = \lfloor 2\sqrt{p}/(2s+1) \rfloor$. Show a collision between these lists has to happen and produces m with $mP = O$.*)
 (b) If there is a unique such integer m in that range, then the above function has computed the order of $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$. This is quite likely to happen, but what could go wrong? Write a function `orderShanks(E,p)` which samples `annShanks(E,P,p)` for a bunch of random points P in $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ and outputs the deduced likely size $\#E(\mathbb{F}_p)$. How often does your code get it right?
3. For various practical purposes, it can be beneficial to work with elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_{2^r} (though there are some additional security concerns e.g. if r is composite). We consider elliptic curves E/\mathbb{F}_2 which we may then also view over larger fields:

- (a) Show that for cryptographic purposes using the elliptic curve over \mathbb{F}_2 given by

$$E : y^2 + y = x^3$$

and $E(\mathbb{F}_{2^r})$ is a bad idea even for fairly large primes r . (*Hint: deduce this from a computation of $a_p(E)$.*)

- (b) Instead one can use the Koblitz curves

$$E_a : y^2 + xy = x^3 + ax^2 + 1 \text{ for } a \in \{0, 1\}.$$

The Frobenius (which here simply squares coordinates) satisfies (as an endomorphism) $\varphi^2 + (-1)^a\varphi + 2 = 0$. Deduce that every integer N has a " φ -adic" expansion, that is, the multiplication-by- N map can be written as

$$N = n_0 + n_1\varphi + \dots + n_r\varphi^r \text{ for } n_i \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$$

with $r \approx 2\log_2(N)$. (N.B.: This makes computing multiples of points more efficient on such curves.)

4. Let E/\mathbb{F}_q an elliptic curve and let $l \nmid q$ be a prime. Let k large enough so that $E[l] \subset E(\mathbb{F}_{q^k})$. Prove that if P, Q form a basis of $E[l] \cong (\mathbb{Z}/l\mathbb{Z})^2$, then the Weil pairing $e_l(P, Q)$ is a primitive l -th root of unity in \mathbb{F}_{q^k} . For a fixed P of order l , how likely is it that a random $Q \in E[l]$ does not make P, Q into a basis of $E[l]$?
5. Given a basis (P, Q) of $E[N]$ for $N \geq 1$, prove that for arbitrary N -torsion points P_1, P_2 , which can be written as $P_1 = a_1P + b_1Q$ and $P_2 = a_2P + b_2Q$, the Weil pairing satisfies:

$$e_N(P_1, P_2) = e_N(P, Q)^{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1} = e_N(P, Q)^{\det \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}}.$$

6. Create on SAGE a function `MOV(E,P,Q,nbtry)` that implements the MOV attack on an elliptic curve E over \mathbb{F}_p in order to solve the discrete logarithm $kP = Q$, with `nbtry` trials of a random point T as in the algorithm given in class. (You may use the implemented SAGE functions for the Weil pairing and for solving discrete logarithms over finite fields, but not solve DLP over elliptic curves directly in SAGE!). Then try to use your function to solve the following DLP:

$$\begin{aligned} p &= 18446744073709555927 \\ E &: y^2 = x^3 - x \quad \text{over } \mathbb{F}_p \\ P &= (8492951324596411969, 7618631852165291801) \in E(\mathbb{F}_p) \\ Q &= (10878994278098623565, 9310007525395656987) = kP \in E(\mathbb{F}_p) \end{aligned}$$

(Hint: You may want to define E directly over \mathbb{F}_{p^2} on SAGE to make taking Weil pairings easier).

Even if you don't succeed breaking this DLP, explain why the MOV attack can work on this curve E .