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**Problem 1.** Elliptic Curve Important Points

- (a) On an elliptic curve, what is the negative of a point  $A$ ?
- (b) What is zero on an elliptic curve, and why is it important from a group theory perspective?

In answering both questions, consider the case where  $x$  and  $y$  vary over the real numbers.

**Problem 2.** Elliptic Curve Addition

When computing  $A \oplus B = C$ , we take the straight line through  $A$  and  $B$  and find the point it intersects the elliptic curve. We then reflect that point through the x-axis. If we don't do this reflection, this breaks something about elliptic curve addition. What have we broken?

Recall the rules for adding points together on an Elliptic Curve modulo  $p$ :

Rule 1:  $P \oplus \mathcal{O} = P$

Rule 2:  $(x, y) \oplus (x, -y) = \mathcal{O}$

Rule 3: Otherwise, first calculate:

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} & \text{if } P \neq Q \\ \frac{3x_1^2 + A}{2y_1} & \text{if } P = Q \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

and then  $P \oplus Q = (x_3, y_3)$ , where  $x_3 = (\lambda^2 - x_1 - x_2)$  and  $y_3 = \lambda(x_1 - x_3) - y_1$ .

For the remaining problems, we will be using the following Elliptic Curve:  $y^2 \equiv x^3 + 4x + 3 \pmod{7}$ . Below is the complete addition table for this Elliptic Curve. You can use it for reference.

$\oplus$	$\mathcal{O}$	(1,1)	(1,6)	(3,0)	(5,1)	(5,6)
$\mathcal{O}$	$\mathcal{O}$	(1,1)	(1,6)	(3,0)	(5,1)	(5,6)
(1,1)	(1,1)	(5,6)	$\mathcal{O}$	(5,1)	(1,6)	(3,0)
(1,6)	(1,6)	$\mathcal{O}$	(5,1)	(5,6)	(3,0)	(1,1)
(3,0)	(3,0)	(5,1)	(5,6)	$\mathcal{O}$	(1,1)	(1,6)
(5,1)	(5,1)	(1,6)	(3,0)	(1,1)	(5,6)	$\mathcal{O}$
(5,6)	(5,6)	(3,0)	(1,1)	(1,6)	$\mathcal{O}$	(5,1)

### Problem 3. Elliptic Curve Points

Prove that the only points on the Elliptic Curve  $y^2 \equiv x^3 + 4x + 3 \pmod{7}$  are the following:

$$\{\mathcal{O}, (1, 1), (1, 6), (3, 0), (5, 1), (5, 6)\}$$

### Problem 4. Elliptic Curve Addition rules

- (a) Which rule above justifies the following calculations? (Just name which Rule)  
 $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}$ ;  $\mathcal{O} \oplus (1, 1) = (1, 1)$ ;  $\mathcal{O} \oplus (1, 6) = (1, 6)$ ;  $\mathcal{O} \oplus (3, 0) = (3, 0)$ ;  $\mathcal{O} \oplus (5, 1) = (5, 1)$ ;  $\mathcal{O} \oplus (5, 6) = (5, 6)$
- (b) Which rule above justifies the following calculations? (Just name which Rule)  
 $(1, 1) \oplus (1, 6) = \mathcal{O}$ ;  $(3, 0) \oplus (3, 0) = \mathcal{O}$ ;  $(5, 1) \oplus (5, 6) = \mathcal{O}$ .

### Problem 5. Elliptic Curve Point Additions

- (a) Show that  $(1, 1) \oplus (1, 1) = (5, 6)$ . Write out your work.
- (b) Show that  $(5, 1) \oplus (5, 1) = (5, 6)$ . Write out your work.
- (c) Show that  $(1, 1) \oplus (3, 0) = (5, 1)$ . Write out your work.
- (d) Show that  $(1, 1) \oplus (5, 6) = (3, 0)$ . Write out your work.
- (e) Show that  $(1, 6) \oplus (5, 1) = (3, 0)$ . Write out your work.