

Cryptanalysis

Elliptic Curves

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Elliptic Curves

- Motivation:
 - Full employment act for mathematicians
 - Elliptic curves over finite fields have an arithmetic operation
 - Index calculus doesn't work on elliptic curves.
 - Even for large elliptic curves, field size is relatively modest so arithmetic is faster
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- Use this operation to define a discrete log problem.
- To do this we need to:
 - Define point addition and multiplication on an elliptic curve
 - Find an elliptic curve whose arithmetic gives rise to large finite groups with elements of high order
 - Figure out how to embed a message in a point multiplication.
 - Figure out how to pick “good” curves.

Rational Points

- Bezout
- Linear equations
- $x^2 + 5y^2 = 1$
- $y^2 = x^3 - ax - b$
 - Disconnected: $y^2 = 4x^3 - 4x + 1$
 - Connected: $a=7, b=-10$
 - Troublesome: $a=3, b=-2$
- Arithmetic
- $D = 4a^3 - 27b^2$
- Genus, rational point for $g > 1$
- Mordell
- $\mathbb{Z}_{n_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{n_2}, n_2 | n_1 | p - 1$

Equation solving in the rational numbers

- Linear case: solve $ax + by = c$ or, find the rational points on the curve
 $C: f(x, y) = ax + by - c = 0$.
 - Clearing the fractions in x and y , this is equivalent to solving the equation in the integers. Suppose $(a, b) = d$, there are $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}: ax + by = d$. If $d|c$, say $c = d'd$, $a(d'x) + b(d'y) = d'd = c$ and we have a solution. If d does not divide c , there isn't any. We can homogenize the equation to get $ax + by = cz$ and extend this procedure, here, because of z , there is always a solution.
- Quadratic (conic) case: solve $x^2 + 5y^2 = 1$ or find the rational points on the curve
 $C: g(x, y) = x^2 + 5y^2 - 1 = 0$.
 - $(-1, 0) \in C$. Let (x, y) be another rational point and join the two by a line:
 $y = m(x + 1)$. Note m is rational. Then $x^2 + 5(m(x + 1))^2 = 1$ and $(5m^2 + 1)x^2 + 2(5m^2)x + (5m^2 - 1) = 0 \rightarrow x^2 + 2[(5m^2)/(5m^2 + 1)]x + [(5m^2 - 1)/(5m^2 + 1)] = 0$. Completing the square and simplifying we get $(x + (5m^2)/(5m^2 + 1))^2 = [25m^4 - (25m^4 - 1)]/(5m^2 + 1)^2 = 1/(5m^2 + 1)^2$. So, $x = \pm(1 - 5m^2)/(5m^2 + 1)$ and substituting in the linear equation, $y = \pm(2m)/(5m^2 + 1)$. These are all the solutions.
- Cubic case is more interesting!

Bezout's Theorem

- Let be $f, g \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ be homogeneous polynomials with $\deg(f(x, y, z)) = m$ and $\deg(g(x, y, z)) = n$. Let C_1 and C_2 be the curves in \mathbb{CP}^2 , defined by:
 - $C_1 = \{(x, y, z): f(x, y, z) = 0\}$; and,
 - $C_2 = \{(x, y, z): g(x, y, z) = 0\}$.
- If f and g have no common components and $D = C_1 \cap C_2$, then $\sum_{x \in D} I(C_1 \cap C_2, x) = mn$.
- I is the intersection multiplicity. This is a fancy way of saying that (multiple points aside), there are mn points of intersection between C_1 and C_2 . There is a nice proof in Silverman and Tate, Rational Points on Elliptic Curves, pp 242-251. The entire book is a must read.
- A consequence of this theorem is that two cubic curves intersect in nine points.

Elliptic Curve Preliminaries -1

- Let K be a field. $\text{char}(K)$ is the characteristic of K which is either 0 or p^n for some prime $p, n > 0$.
- $F(x, y) = y^2 + axy + by + cx^3 + dx^2 + ex + f$ is a general cubic.
- $F(x, y)$ is non-singular if $F_x(x, y)$ or $F_y(x, y) \neq 0$.
- If $\text{char}(K) \neq 2, 3$, $F(x, y) = 0$ is equivalent to $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$ which is denoted by $E_K(a, b)$ and is called the Weierstrass equation.
- Note that the intersection of a line ($y = mx + d$) and a cubic, $E_K(a, b)$ is 1, 2 or 3 points.
- Idea: Given 2 points, P, Q on a cubic, the line between P and Q generally identifies a third point on the cubic, R .
- Two identical points on a cubic generally identify another point which is the intersection of the tangent line to the cubic at the given point with the cubic.
- The last observation is the motivation for defining a binary operation (addition) on points of a cubic.

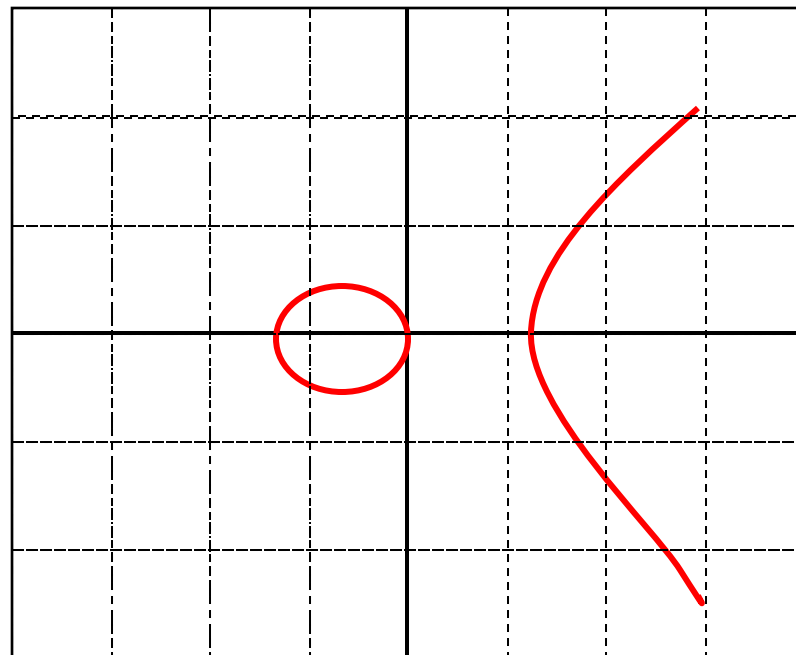
Elliptic Curve Preliminaries - 2

- We are most interested in cubics with a finite number of points.
- Cubics over finite fields have a finite number of points (duh).
- $E_K(a, b)$ is an elliptic equation over the “affine plane.”
- It is often easier to work with elliptic equations over the “projective plane”. The projective plane consists of the points (a, b, c) (not all 0) and (a, b, c) and (ad, bd, cd) represent the same point.
 - The map $(x, y, 1) \mapsto (xz, yz, z)$ sets up a 1-1 correspondence between the affine plane (plus the “infinities”) and the projective plane.
 - $E_K(a, b)$ is $zy^2 = x^3 + axz^2 + bz^3$. Note these are homogeneous equations.
 - The points $(x, y, 0)$ are called the line at infinity.
 - The point at infinity, $(0, 1, 0)$ is the natural “identity element” O and its introduction is less “ad hoc.”

Elliptic Curves

- A non-singular Elliptic Curve is a curve, having no multiple roots, satisfying the equation: $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$.
 - The points of interest on the curve are those with rational coordinates which can be combined using the “addition” operation. These are called “rational points.”

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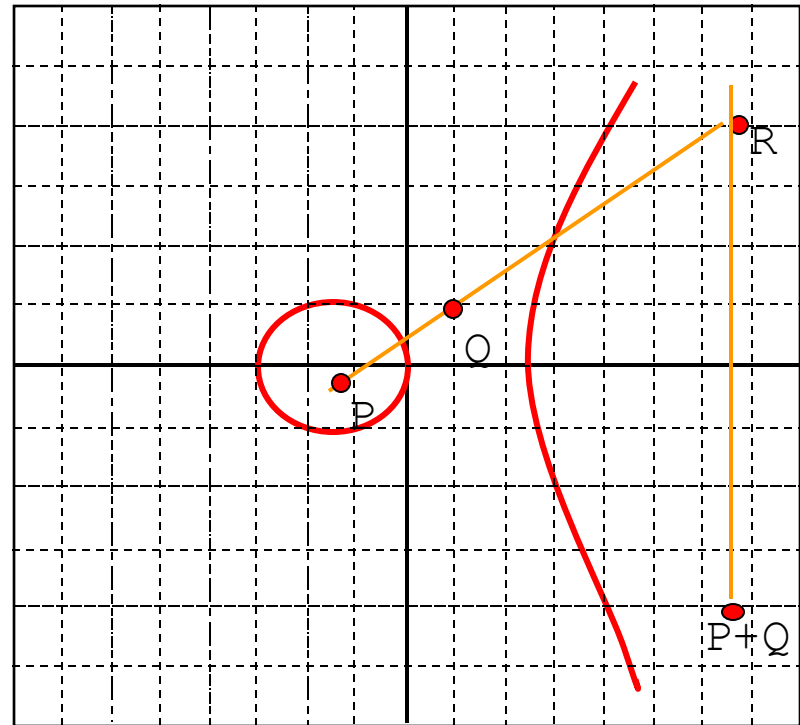


Multiple roots

- Here is the condition that the elliptic curve, $E_R(a, b)$: $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$, does not have multiple roots.
- Set $f(x, y) = y^2 - x^3 - ax - b = 0$.
 - At a double point, $f_x(x, y) = f_y(x, y) = 0$; so $f_x(x, y) = -(3x^2 + a)$, $f_y(x, y) = 2y$. Thus $y = 0 = x^3 + ax + b$ and $0 = (3x^2 + a)$ have a common zero.
 - Substituting $a = -3x^2$, we get $0 = x^3 - 3x^3 + b$, $b = 2x^3$, $b^2 = 4x^6$. Cubing, $a = -3x^2$, we get $a^3 = -27x^6$. So $b^2/4 = a^3/(-27)$ or $27b^2 + 4a^3 = 0$. Thus, if $27b^2 + 4a^3 \neq 0$, then $E_R(a, b)$ does not have multiple roots.
- We define the “discriminant” as $D = -16(27b^2 + 4a^3)$.

Elliptic curve addition

- The addition operator on a non-singular elliptic curve maps two points, P and Q , into a third " $P+Q$ ". Here's how we construct " $P+Q$ " when $P \neq Q$.
- Construct straight line through P and Q which hits E at R .
- $P+Q$ is the point which is the reflection of R across the x -axis.



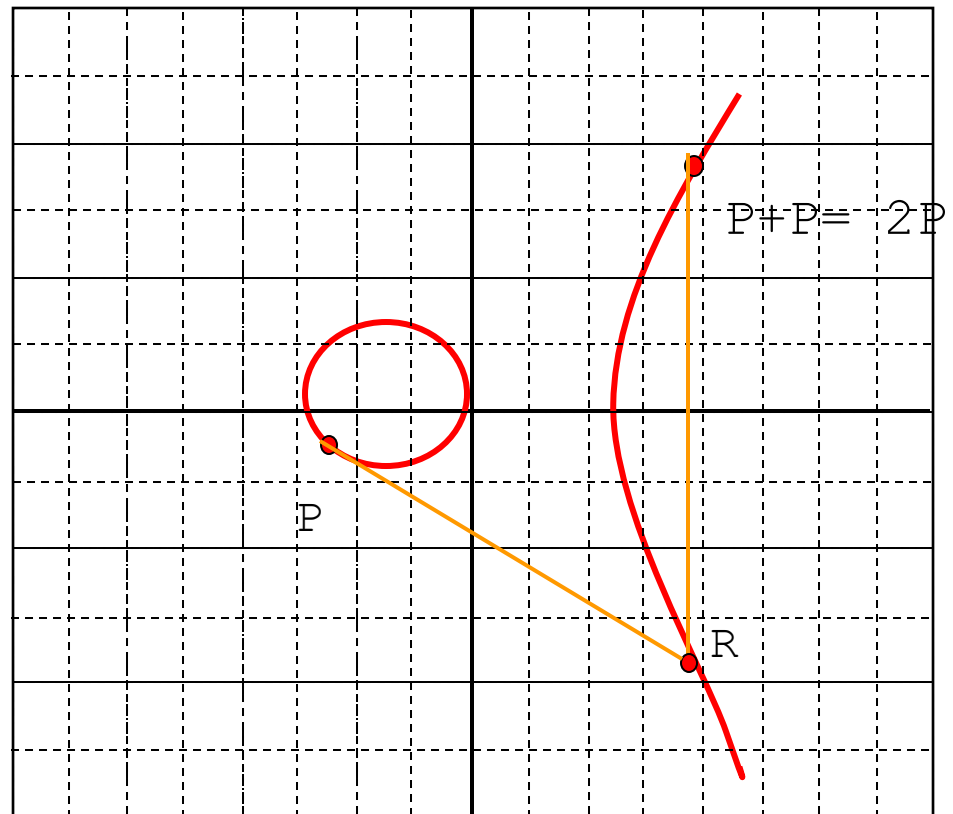
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Addition for points P, Q in $E_R(a, b)$ - 1

- Suppose we want to add two distinct points P and Q lying on the curve $E_R(a, b)$: $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$, where $P = (x_1, y_1)$ and $Q = (x_2, y_2)$ with $P \neq Q$, then $P + Q = R = (x_3, y_3)$.
- Suppose $x_1 \neq x_2$, here is the computation: Join P and Q by the line $y = mx + u$. $m = (y_2 - y_1)/(x_2 - x_1)$. $u = (mx_1 - y_1) = (mx_2 - y_2)$.
 - Substituting for y into $E_R(a, b)$, we get $(mx + u)^2 = x^3 + ax + b$
 - $0 = x^3 - m^2x + (a - 2mu)x + b - u^2$.
 - x_1, x_2, x_3 are the roots of this equations so $m^2 = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$.
 - $x_3 = m^2 - x_1 - x_2$. $P * Q = (x_3, -y_3)$
 - $-y_3 = -mx_3 - u = -m(x_3) - (mx_1 - y_1) = m(x_1 - x_3) - y_1$.
- To summarize, if $P \neq Q$ (and $x_1 \neq x_2$):
 - $x_3 = m^2 - x_1 - x_2$
 - $y_3 = m(x_1 - x_3) - y_1$
 - $m = (y_2 - y_1)/(x_2 - x_1)$

Multiples in Elliptic Curves 1

- $P+P$ (or $2P$) is defined in terms of the tangent to the cubic at P .
- Construct tangent to P and reflect the point in y at which it intercepts the curve (R) to obtain $2P$.
- P can be added to itself k times resulting in a point $Q = kP$.



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Addition for points P, Q in $E_R(a, b)$ - 2

- Suppose we want to add two distinct points P and Q lying on the curve $E_R(a, b)$: $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$, where $P = (x_1, y_1)$ and $Q = (x_2, y_2)$ and $x_1 \neq x_2$.
- Case 1, $y_1 \neq -y_2$: In this case, $y_1 \neq -y_2$ and the line between P and Q “meet at infinity,” this is the point we called O and we get $P + Q = O$. Note $Q = -P$ so $-(x, y) = (x, -y)$.
- Case 2, $y_1 = -y_2$ so $P = -Q$: The slope of the tangent line to $E_R(a, b)$ at (x_1, y_1) is m . Differentiating $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$, we get $2y y' = 3x^2 + a$, so $m = (3x_1^2 + a)/(2y_1)$. The addition formulas on the previous page still hold.

Addition in $E_R(a, b)$ - summary

- Given two points P and Q lying on the curve $E_R(a, b)$: $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$, where $P = (x_1, y_1)$ and $Q = (x_2, y_2)$ with $P \neq Q$, then $P + Q = R = (x_3, y_3)$ where:
 - If $x_1 \neq x_2$, $m = (y_2 - y_1)/(x_2 - x_1)$, and
 - $x_3 = m^2 - x_1 - x_2$
 - $y_3 = m(x_1 - x_3) - y_1$
 - If $x_1 = x_2$ and $y_1 \neq y_2$, then $y_1 = -y_2$ and $P + Q = O, Q = -P$
 - If $x_1 = x_2$ and $y_1 = y_2$, then $P = Q, R = 2P, m = (3x_1^2 + a)/(2y_1)$, and
 - $x_3 = m^2 - x_1 - x_2$
 - $y_3 = m(x_1 - x_3) - y_1$

Point multiplication in $E_R(a, b)$

- By using the doubling operation just defined, we can easily calculate $P, 2P, 4P, 8P, \dots, 2^e P$ and by adding appropriate multiples calculate nP for any n .
- If $nP = O$, and n is the smallest positive integer with this property, we say P has order n .
- Example:
 - The order of $P = (2, 3)$ on $E_R(0, 1)$ is 6.
 - $2P = (0, 1), 4P = (0, -1), 6P = O$.

Example of Addition and Element Order

- $E(-36,0): y^2 = x^3 - 36x$. $P = (-3, 9), Q = (-2, 8)$.
- $P + Q = (2 - x_1 - x_2, \lambda(x_1 - x_3) - y_1)$
 $\lambda = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}, P \neq Q$.
 $\lambda = \frac{3x_1^2 + a}{2y_1}, P = Q$.
- $P + Q = (x_3, y_3) = (6, 0)$
- $2P = (25/4, -35/8)$
- Note growth of denominators

Proof of group laws

- From the formulas and definitions, it is easy to see the operation “+” is commutative, O acts like an identity and if $P = (x, y)$, $-P = (x, -y)$ with $P + (-P) = O$.
- Associativity is the only law that’s hard to verify. We could use the formulas to prove it but that’s pretty ugly.
 - There is a shorter proof that uses the following result: Let C, C_1, C_2 be three cubic curves. Suppose C goes through eight of the nine intersection points of $C_1 \cap C_2$, then C also goes through the ninth intersection point.

Associativity

- If P and Q are points on an elliptic curve, E , let $P * Q$ denote the third point of intersection of the line PQ and E .
- Now let P, Q, R be points on an elliptic curve E . We want to prove $(P + Q) + R = P + (Q + R)$. To get $(P + Q)$, form $P * Q$ and find the intersection point, between $P * Q$ and E and the vertical line through $P * Q$; this latter operation is the same as finding the intersection of $P * Q$, O (the point at infinity) and E . To get $(P + Q) + R$, find $(P + Q) * R$ and the vertical line, the other intersection point with E is $(P + Q) + R$. A similar calculation applies to $P + (Q + R)$ and it suffices to show $(P + Q) * R = P * (Q + R)$. $O, P, Q, R, P * Q, P + Q, Q * R, Q + R$ and the intersection of the line between $(P+Q), R$ and E lie on the two cubics:
 - C_1 : Product of the lines $[(P,Q), (R,P+Q), (Q+R, O)]$
 - C_2 : Product of the lines $[(P,Q+R), (P+Q,O), (R,Q)]$
- The original curve E goes through eight of these points, so it must go through the ninth $[(P + Q) * R]$. Thus, the intersection of the two lines lies on E and $(P + Q) * R = P * (Q + R)$.
- This proof will seem more natural if you've taken projective geometry. You could just slog out the algebra though.

Mordell and Mazur

- Mordell: Let E be the elliptic curve given by the equation $E: y^2 = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c$ and suppose that $D(E) = -4a^3c + a^2b^2 - 4b^3 - 27c^2 + 18abc \neq 0$. There exist r points P_1, P_2, \dots, P_r such that all rational points on E are of the form $a_1P_1 + \dots + a_rP_r$ where $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- Mazur: Let C be a non-singular rational cubic curve and $C(\mathbb{Q})$ contain a point of order m , then $1 < m \leq 10$ or $m = 12$. In fact, the order of the group of finite order points is either cyclic or a product of a group of order 2 with a cyclic group of order less than or equal to 4.

Fermat's Last Theorem

- $x^n + y^n = z^n$ has no non-trivial solutions in \mathbb{Z} for $n > 2$.
- It is sufficient to prove this for $n = p$, where p is an odd prime.
- Proof (full version will be on HW):
 1. Suppose $A^p + B^p = C^p$, $(A, B, C) = 1$.
 2. E_{AB} : $y^2 = x(x + Ap)(x + Bp)$
 3. Wiles: E_{AB} is modular.
 4. Ribet: E_{AB} is too weird to be modular.
 5. Fermat was right.

Why elliptic curves might be valuable in crypto

- Consider $E: y^2 = x^3 + 17$. Let $P_n = (A_n/B_n, C_n/D_n)$ be a rational point on E . Define $ht(P_n) = \max(|A_n|, |B_n|)$.
- Define $P_1 = (2, 3)$, $P_2 = (-1, 4)$ and $P_{n+1} = P_n + P_1$.

n	ht(P _n)
1	2
2	1
3	4
4	2
5	4
6	106
7	2228

n	ht(P _n)
8	76271
9	9776276
10	3497742218
20	8309471981636130322638066614339972215969861310

- In fact, $ht(P_n) \cong (1.574)^{ns}$, $ns = n^2$.

Example from Silverman, A Friendly Introduction to Number Theory.

Points on elliptic curves over F_q

- The number of points N on $E_q(a, b)$ is the number of solutions of $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$.
- For each of q x 's there are up to 2 square roots plus O , giving a maximum of $2q+1$. However, not every number in F_q has a square root. In fact, $N = q + 1 + \sum_x \chi(x^3 + ax + b)$, where χ is the quadratic character of F_q .
- *Hasse's Theorem:* $|N - (q + 1)| \leq 2\sqrt{q}$ where N is the number of points
- $E_q(a, b)$ is supersingular if $N = (q + 1) - t, t = 0, q, 2q, 3q$ or $4q$.
- The abelian group formed by addition in $E_q(a, b)$ does not need to be cyclic, although it often is; it can always be decomposed into cyclic groups. In fact, if G is the Elliptic group for $E_q(a, b)$.
- *Theorem:* $G = Z_p \times Z/Zp^a \times Z/Zq^b$.
- Example: $E_{71}(-1, 0)$. $N = 72$, G is of type $(2, 4, 9)$.

$E_{71}(-1, 0)$ – Spot the Group

- There are 72 points on the curve. Can you spot (2, 4, 9). Points:

Order	Point	Order	Point	Order	Point	Order	Point
[1]	O	[18]	(14, 48)	[12]	(40, 29)	[18]	(53, 24)
[2]	(0, 0)	[3]	(19, 38)	[36]	(41, 62)	[36]	(54, 28)
[2]	(1, 0)	[3]	(19, 33)	[36]	(41, 9)	[36]	(54, 43)
[9]	(2, 19)	[36]	(21, 62)	[18]	(42, 8)	[12]	(55, 31)
[9]	(2, 52)	[36]	(21, 9)	[18]	(42, 63)	[12]	(55, 40)
[18]	(3, 38)	[18]	(23, 28)	[36]	(43, 21)	[6]	(56, 41)
[18]	(3, 33)	[18]	(23, 43)	[36]	(43, 50)	[6]	(56, 30)
[9]	(4, 42)	[36]	(27, 42)	[36]	(45, 49)	[4]	(60, 10)
[9]	(4, 29)	[36]	(27, 29)	[36]	(45, 22)	[4]	(60, 61)
[18]	(5, 7)	[12]	(32, 54)	[36]	(46, 37)	[36]	(61, 2)
[18]	(5, 64)	[12]	(32, 17)	[36]	(46, 34)	[36]	(61, 69)
[6]	(9, 62)	[36]	(33, 7)	[18]	(47, 51)	[6]	(63, 8)
[6]	(9, 9)	[36]	(33, 64)	[18]	(47, 20)	[6]	(63, 63)
[36]	(12, 56)	[18]	(35, 58)	[18]	(49, 38)	[36]	(64, 27)
[36]	(12, 15)	[18]	(35, 13)	[18]	(49, 33)	[36]	(64, 44)
[4]	(13, 14)	[9]	(37, 8)	[12]	(51, 16)	[36]	(65, 28)
[4]	(13, 57)	[9]	(37, 63)	[12]	(51, 55)	[36]	(65, 43)
[18]	(14, 23)	[12]	(40, 42)	[18]	(53, 47)	[2]	(70, 0)

Addition for points P, Q in $E_p(a, b)$, $p \neq 2$

- $E_p(a, b)$: $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b \pmod{p}$
 1. $P + O = P$
 2. If $P = (x, y)$, then $P + (x, -y) = O$. The point $(x, -y)$ is the negative of P , denoted as $-P$.
 3. If $P = (x_1, y_1)$ and $Q = (x_2, y_2)$, then $P + Q = (x_3, y_3)$ is determined by the following rules:
 - if $P \neq Q$
 - $\lambda = \frac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2} \pmod{p}$
 - if $P = Q$
 - $\lambda = (3x_1^2 + a)/(2y_1) \pmod{p}$
 - In both cases,
 - $x_3 = \lambda^2 - x_1 - x_2$,
 - $y_3 = \lambda(x_1 - x_3) - y_1$
 4. The order of P is the smallest positive number n: $nP = O$

Point multiplication in $E_p(a, b)$

- $E: y^2 = x^3 + 17 \pmod{101}$ or $E_{101}(0,17)$
 - $x_3 = m^2 - x_1 - x_2 \pmod{p}$
 - $y_3 = m(x_1 - x_2) - y_1 \pmod{p}$
 - $m = (y_2 - y_1)/(x_2 - x_1) \pmod{p}$ if $P \neq Q$
 - $m = (3x_1^2 + a)/(2y_1) \pmod{p}$ if $P = Q$

$$-x_3 = 45^2 - 23 - 54 = 29 \pmod{101}$$

$$-y_3 = 45 \times (23 - 29) - 93 = 41$$

$$\bullet 2 \times (41, 37) = (35, 88)$$

$$-m = (3 \times 41^2 + 0)/(2 \times 37) = 94/74 = 94 \times 86 = 4$$

$$\bullet x_3 = 4^2 - 41 - 41 = 35 \pmod{101}$$

$$\bullet y_3 = 4 \times (41 - 35) - 37 = -13 = 88 \pmod{101}$$

Note:

$$93^2 = 23^3 + 17 = 64 \pmod{101}$$

$$74^2 = 54^3 + 17 = 22 \pmod{101}$$

$$41^2 = 29^3 + 17 = 65 \pmod{101}$$

$$37^2 = 41^3 + 17 = 56 \pmod{101}$$

$$88^2 = 35^3 + 17 = 64 \pmod{101}$$

Elliptic Curve (Characteristic = 2)

- For K of characteristic 2, $y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6$
- Define $j(E) = (a_1)^{1/2}/\Delta$
- If $j(E) \neq 0$:

- $\lambda = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{x_1 + x_2}$

- $x_3 = \lambda^2 + \lambda + x_1 + x_2 + a_2, y_3 = \lambda(x_1 + x_3) + x_3 + y_1$

– If $P = Q$

- $\lambda = \frac{x_1^2 + a_4}{a_1x_1 + a_3}, 2P = (x_3, y_3)$

- $x_3 = \lambda^2 + \lambda + x_1 + a_2, y_3 = \lambda(x_1 + x_3) + x_3 + y_1$

Structure of the Elliptic Curve Group on $E_p(a,b) - 1$

- $E_{11}(1, 6)[y^2 = x^3 + 1x + 6 \pmod{11}]$. $D: -7, 2$ is primitive $\pmod{11}$.
 $D=4a^3+27b^2 \pmod{p}$. 13 points on curve; G , cyclic.

Order	Point	Powers	
[1]	O	(1)	(5, 2)
[13]	(2, 4)	(2)	(10, -9)
[13]	(2, 7)	(3)	(7, 9)
[13]	(3, 5)	(4)	(3, 5)
[13]	(3, 6)	(5)	(8, 8)
[13]	(5, 2)	(6)	(2, 4)
[13]	(5, 9)	(7)	(2, 7)
[13]	(7, 2)	(8)	(8, 3)
[13]	(7, 9)	(9)	(3, 6)
[13]	(8, 8)	(10)	(7, 2)
[13]	(8, 3)	(11)	(10, 9)
[13]	(10, 2)	(12)	(5, 9)
[13]	(10, 9)	(13)	O

Structure of the Elliptic Curve Group on $E_p(a,b) - 2$

- $E_{31}(1, 6)$. $D: -23$, 3 is primitive (31). 32 points on curve. Not cyclic!

Order	Point
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[1]	O
[16]	(1, 16)
[16]	(1, 15)
[8]	(2, 27)
[8]	(2, 4)
[4]	(3, 25)
[4]	(3, 6)
[2]	(9, 0)
[16]	(12, 17)
[16]	(12, 14)
[8]	(14, 25)
[8]	(14, 6)
[16]	(17, 10)
[16]	(17, 21)
[16]	(18, 20)
[16]	(18, 11)

Order	Point
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[16]	(19, 8)
[16]	(19, 23)
[4]	(20, 20)
[4]	(20, 11)
[16]	(21, 9)
[16]	(21, 22)
[16]	(24, 20)
[16]	(24, 11)
[16]	(25, 30)
[16]	(25, 1)
[2]	(26, 0)
[2]	(27, 0)
[8]	(28, 10)
[8]	(28, 21)
[8]	(30, 29)
[8]	(30, 2)

Structure of the Elliptic Curve Group on $E_p(a, b) - 3$

$$E_p(a, b) \ y^2 = x^3 + ax + b \pmod{p}. \ D = 4a^3 + 27b^2 \pmod{p}.$$

Cyclic

$E_{29}(0, 17)$. $D: -3, \langle 2 \rangle (29)$. 30 points. $G: (2, 24)$.

$E_{31}(0, 17)$. $D: -11, \langle 3 \rangle (31)$. 43 points. $G: (1, 24)$.

$E_{101}(0, 17)$. $D: -12, \langle 2 \rangle (101)$. 102 points. $G: (4, 9)$.

$E_{311}(0, 17)$. $D: -137, \langle 17 \rangle (311)$. 312 points. $G: (14, 133)$.

$E_{29}(1, 6)$. $D: -14, \langle 2 \rangle (29)$. 38 points. $G: (2, 4)$.

$E_{47}(1, 6)$. $D: -12, \langle 5 \rangle (47)$. 52 points. $G: (0, 10)$.

$E_{101}(1, 6)$. $D: -62, \langle 2 \rangle (101)$. 112 points. $G: (0, 39)$.

$E_{1217}(0, 17)$. $D: -714, \langle 3 \rangle (1217)$. 1218 points. $G: (2, 5)$.

Not cyclic

$E_{31}(1, 6)$. $D: -23, \langle 3 \rangle (31)$. 32 points. $(1, 6)$ has order 16.

Group order and Hasse

- $\#E_q(a, b) = q + 1 - t$
 - $j^2 - [t]j + q = 0$
 - $|t| \leq \sqrt{2q}$
- $G(E_p(a, b))\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_n, n|m, n|p-1$. Used proving endomorphisms.
- Let E be an elliptic curve over K and n a positive integer. If $\text{char}(K)$ does not divide n or is 0, then $E[n] = \mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_n$.
- Twist: m : $a_2 = m^2a_1, b_2 = m^3b_1$.
 - $\#E_p(a_1, b_1) + \#E_p(a_2, b_2) = p + 2$

Point counting

- Group order calculations are critical for curve selection and algorithm safety. The number of points on the curve is the size of the group so counting points is important. There are several methods:
 1. Baby Step Giant Step: Explained in next slide.
 2. Schoof: $O(\lg^8(p))$. Beyond the scope of this lecture.
Determines $t \pmod l$ for l , prime and $l \leq I_{max}$, where $P_l \mid \Delta > 4\sqrt{p}$.
 3. SEA: Schoof-Elkies-Atkins. Further beyond the scope of this lecture.

Elliptic Curve Discrete Log Problem

- Let C be an elliptic curve, $E(a, b): y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$, over a finite field K with elliptic group, G . Given P, Q in the group with $P = nQ$, find n .
- Elliptic Curve crypto system is precisely analogous to discrete log systems using arithmetic over finite fields.
 - Discovered by Koblitz and Miller
- Note in computing kP over $E_p(a, b)$, we can write k as powers of 2 and multiply P by k in $\lg(k)\lg(p)^3$ time. For example, $40P = (2^5 + 2^3)P$.

Baby step, giant step

- Want to find m : $O = [m]P$. There is a general attack just like in DLP called the Baby Step – Giant Step Attack. It takes $O(\sqrt{n})$ where n is the order of the group.
- The attack:
 1. $M = \lceil \sqrt{n} \rceil$ 1. $m = aM + b$ is the order of P .
 2. To find a, b note $(O - [b]P) = [a][M]P$.
 3. Compute $R_b = O - [b]P, b = 1, 2, \dots, M$.
Store $(b, O - [b]P)$ sorted by second element.
 4. Giant step: $S_a = [a][M]P, a = 1, 2, \dots, M$ check table if
 5. $S_a = R_b, m = aM + b$.

Special Attacks on discrete log in $E_q(a, b)$

- MOV Attack (Menezes, Okamoto, Vanstone).
 - Idea: map the ECDLP to the DLP in an extension field.
- In the case of MOV, if n is the order of a point (hence it divides the number of points on the curve) and $n \mid q^k - 1$, the ECDLP can be mapped into the DLP in $\text{GF}(q^k)$.
 - To avoid this attack, we need to make sure the DLP in $\text{GF}(q^l)$ is as hard as the ECDLP in $E_q(a, b)$. This is guaranteed to happen of $> k^2 / \lg(k)^2$, so we can avoid this attack if the smallest l : $q^l \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ satisfies $l > k^2 / (\lg(k)^2)$.
- Another attack: An anomalous curve satisfies $\#E_q(a, b) = q$. This group is cyclic and allows an easy embedding in the DLP problem in the additive group of F_q . To avoid this, make sure the number of points on the elliptic curve is not q .

Diffie Hellman over ECC

- Alice and Bob chose a finite field F_q and an elliptic curve E
- The key will be taken from a random point P over the elliptic curve (e.g. - the x coordinate).
- Alice and Bob choose a point B that does not need to be secret
 - B must have a very large order
- Alice chooses a random a and compute $aB \in E$
- Bob chooses a random b and compute $bB \in E$
- Alice and Bob exchange the computed values
- Alice, from bB and a can compute $P = abB$
- Bob, from aB and b can compute $P = abB$

Elliptic curve El Gamal

- There are several ways in which the ECDLP can be embedded in a cipher system.
 - One method begins by selecting an Elliptic Curve, $E_p(a, b)$, a point G on the curve and a secret number k which will be the private key.
 - The public key is G and PA where $P_A = kG$. Think of G as the generator in the discrete log problem.
 - A message is encrypted by converting the plaintext into a number m , selecting a random number r , and finding a point on the curve P_m corresponding to m . We explain how to do this in the next slide.
 - The ciphertext consists of two points on the curve $\{rG, P_m + r PA\}$
 - To decipher, multiply the first point by k and subtract the result from the second point: $P_m + rPA - k(rG) = P_m + r(kG) - k(rG) = P_m$.

Embedding m in $E_q(a,b)$

- There is no deterministic way.
- Assume $q = p^r$ and we want to embed with a probability of failure not to exceed 2^{-k} .
- Message is m and $0 \leq m < M$. $q > M\kappa$.
- For $a_{n-1}p^{n-1} + \dots + a_1p + a_0 = x_a = m\kappa + j$.
- For $j = 0$, try to solve $y^2 = xa^3 + axa + b$ by evaluating Legendre symbol. Can do this with probability $\frac{1}{2}$. If this succeeds, use it. Otherwise try $j = 1, \dots$
- Given x_a , we can recover m by writing $x_a = m\kappa + j$ and discarding j .
- $P_m = (x_a, y)$.

Putting it all together: EC El Gamal

- Curve: $E_{8831}(3,45)$
- $G = (4,11), a = 3, A = aG = (413,1808)$
- $b = 8, B = bG = (5415,6321)$
- $P = (5,1743)$
- Bob sends Alice:
 - $[B, P + 8A] = [(5415,6321), (6626,3576)]$
- Alice decrypts as:
 - $3(5415,6321) = (673,146)$
 - $P = (6626,3576) - (673,146) = (6626,3576) + (673,-146) = (5,1743)$

Putting it all together: ECDH

- Curve: $E_{7311}(1,7206)$
- $G = (3,5)$
- Alice picks $a=12$ sends $aG = (1794,6375)$
- Bob picks $b=23$, sends $bG = (3861,1242)$
- Bob computes $23(1794,6375) = (1472,2098)$
- Alice computes $12(3861,1242) = (1472,2098)$

Picking Curves

- Curves are selected at random subject to resistance to known attacks like Hellman-Pohlig-Silver and Pollard rho.
 1. $\#E(F_q)$ should be divisible by a large prime, n .
 2. $\#E(F_q)$ should not be q
 3. n should not divide $q^k - 1$
- Method of selecting curves
 - Select a, b at random with $(4a^3 + 27b^2) \neq 0$
 - Calculate $N = \#E(F_q)$.
 - Factor N and verify 1, 2, 3 above.
 - If the coefficients are selected at random, the order of the curves are uniformly distributed (Lenstra).

Curve selection

- Given p and a parameter S , generate an acceptable E .
 1. Generate random $a, b \in \mathbb{F}_p$.
 2. If $\Delta=0$ go to 1.
 3. Determine $N = \#E_p(a,b)$
 4. If $E_p(a,b)$ is anomalous ($p=N$), go to 1.
 5. If $E_p(a,b)$ is subject to MOV attack, there is an $l < \lg(p)^2 / (\lg(\lg(p)))^2$: $p^l = 1 \pmod{N}$, go to 1.
 6. Factor N , if it takes too long, go to 1.
 7. If $N = s \times r$, $s \leq S$ return $E_p(a,b)$
 8. Go to 1.

ECC Point Operation Costs and modular operations

Parameters

- I = inverse cost in $GF(p)$.
- S = square cost $GF(p)$.
- M = multiply cost $GF(p)$

Op	Cost	Modular Op	Cost
$2P$	$I+2S+2M$	Add, Sub	$O(\lg(n))$
$P+Q$	$I + S+ 2M$	Multiply	$O(\lg(n)^2)$
$2P+Q$	$2I + 2S + 2M$	Invert	$O(\lg(n)^2)$
$P+Q, P-Q$	$I+2S+4M$	Exp	$O(\lg(n)^3)$

ECC vs RSA performance analysis

- $n = \lceil \lg(p) \rceil$ (for EC), $N = \lceil \lg(p) \rceil$ for DLP.
- The cost to break DLP with best known algorithm (IC) is $c_{DLP}(N) = \exp(c_0 N^{1/3} \ln(N \ln(2))^{2/3})$.
- The cost to break ECDLP with best known algorithm (IC) is $c_{ECDLP}(n) = 2^{n/2}$.
- $n = b(N^{1/3}) \ln(N \ln(2))^{2/3}$, $b = 2c_0 / \ln(2)^{2/3} \sim 4.91$
- The number of key bits (for equivalent security) in the DLP case grows as the cube of the number of bits for the ECDLP case. This has a key size and performance implication.

Pollard Rho Method for ECC vs. Factoring by Number Field Sieve

Key size	MIPS-Years
150 bits	3.8×10^{10}
205 bits	7.1×10^{18}
234 bits	1.6×10^{28}

- Elliptic Curve Logarithms
Using Pollard Rho Method

Key size	MIPS-Years
512 bits	3×10^4
768 bits	2×10^8
1024 bits	3×10^{11}
1280 bits	3×10^{14}
1536 bits	3×10^{16}
2048 bits	3×10^{20}

- Integer Factoring Using
Number Field Sieve

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Observations on ECC

- Asymmetry between encryption and decryption is reduced (4:1)
- NIST recommendations for key size to provide “equivalent” security (bits in key).

ECC	RSA	AES
163	1024	
256	3072	128
384	7680	192
521	15360	256

NIST Curves

- Use prime fields F_p with $p = 2192 - 264 - 1, p = 2224 - 296 + 1, p = 2256 - 2224 + 2192 + 296 - 1, p = 2384 - 2128 - 296 + 232 - 1, p = 2^{521} - 1$ or binary fields F_q with $q = 2163, 2233, 2283, 2409, 2571$.
- $\#E_p(a, b) = q + 1 - t, |t| \leq 2\sqrt{q}$ and t is called the trace of E . $E_q(a, b)$ has rank 1 or 2, that is: $E_q(a, b) \sim Z_{n[1]} \times Z_{n[2]}$ and $n[2] \mid n[1], n[2] \mid (q-1)$.
- If $n[2] = 1, E_q(a, b) \sim Zn_1 = \{kP: 0 < k < n[1]\}$ and P is a generator.
- $E_q(a_1, b_1) \sim E_q(a_2, b_2)$ if $a_1 = u^4 a_2$ and $b_1 = u^4 b_2$.
- $E_q, q = p^n$ is supersingular if $p \mid t$. Field represented as polynomial or normal basis.

El Gamal Signature

- Bob has a private key x and a public key $\langle g, X \rangle$: $X = g^x$ in a group G .
To sign m , given a map $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{|G|}$:
 1. Bob generates a random a : $1 \leq a < |G|$. $A = g^a$.
 2. Bob computes $B \in \mathbb{Z}_{|G|}$: $m = xf(A) + Ba \pmod{|G|}$.
 3. $\text{Sig}_{\text{Bob}}(m) = (A, B)$
- To verify check that the signature is right, verify that $X^{f(A)} A^B = g^m$.

EC El Gamal Signature

- Bob has a private key x and a public key $\langle g, X \rangle$: $X = g^x$ in a group G . To sign m , given a map $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{|G|}$:
 1. Bob generates a random a : $1 \leq a < |G|$. $A = g^a$.
 2. Bob computes $B \in \mathbb{Z}_{|G|}$: $m = xf(A) + Ba \pmod{|G|}$.
 3. $\text{Sig}_{\text{Bob}}(m) = (A, B)$
- To verify check that the signature is right, verify that $X^{f(A)}A^B = g^m$.

Factoring using Elliptic Curves

- Let $E_n(a, b)$ be an elliptic curve with $(4a^3 + 27b^2, n) = 1$ and let P_1, P_2 be two rational points whose denominators are prime to n . Then $O \neq P_1 + P_2 \in E$ has denominators prime to n iff there is no prime $p|n$ such that $P_1 + P_2 = O \pmod{p}$.
- Lenstra's Algorithm. Choose 2 bounds B, K .
 1. $(n, 6) = 1, n \neq mr$
 2. Choose random b, x_1, y_1 between 1 and n
 3. $c = y_1^2 + x_1^3 - bx_1 \pmod{n}$
 4. $(n, 4b^3 + 27c^2) = 1$
 5. $k = \text{LCM}(1, 2, \dots, K)$
 6. Compute $kP = (a_k/dk^2, bk/dk^3)$, if at any point can't succeed, n is composite.
 7. $D = (d_k, n)$. If $D=1$, go to 5 and bump K or go to 2 and select new curve.

Factoring using elliptic curves - example

- Factor $n=4453$.
- Use $E: y^2 = x^3 + 10x - 2 \pmod{m}$.
- Initial point: $P_1 = (1, 3)$.
- $2P = (4332, 3230)$.
- To calculate $3P$:
 - $m = (3230 - 3)/(4332 - 1) = 3227/4331$.
- $(4331, 4453) = 61$.
- $4453 = 61 \times 73$.

Factoring using elliptic curves - example

- Factor $m=1938796243$.
- Use $E: y^2 = x^3 - Ax + A \pmod{p}$. $A = 1, 2, \dots$
- Initial point: $P_1 = (1, 1)$, $P_{n+1} = (n+1)P_n$.
- For $A=7$, $(w_{16}, m) = 37409$. $m = 37409 \times 51827$.
- $a_i = a^{(r_1 r_2 \dots r_i)}$, $g_i = (a_n - 1, n)$

Divisors

- $D = \sum_j a_j [P_j], a_j \in \mathbb{Z}$
- $\deg(D) = \sum_j a_j$
- $\text{sum}(D) = \sum_j a_j P_j$
- $\text{sum}: \text{Div}^0(E) \rightarrow E(K)$.
- $f = u_p^r g: \text{ord}_p(f) = r, \text{div}(f) = \sum_{P \in E(K)} \text{ord}_P(f) [P]$
- $\text{Div}^0(E)/(\text{principal divisors})$ is isomorphic to $E(K)$
- Let E be an elliptic curve and f a function on E that is $\neq 0$ then
 1. f has only finitely many poles and zeros
 2. $\deg(\text{div}(f)) = 0$
 3. If f has no poles or zeros it is constant

Pairings

- Choose $T' \in E[n^2]$: $nT' = T$: $\text{div}(g) = \sum_{R \in E[n]} ([T' + R] - [R])$
- $\text{div}(f \cdot n) = \text{div}(g^n)$
- Let $S \in E[n]$, $P \in E(K)$ then $g(P + S)^n = f(n(P + S)) = f(nP) = g(P)^n$
 - Thus $g(P+S)/g(P) \in \mu_n$ and is independent of P .
- Define $e_n(S, T) = g(P + S)/g(P)$, then
 - $e_n: E[n] \times E[n] \rightarrow \mu_n$
 - e_n is bilinear, non-degenerate.
 - if a is separable.

End

Endomorphisms

- Endomorphisms are homomorphisms from $E(K) \rightarrow E(K)$ that can be represented by rational functions.
 - If $a(x, y) = (r_1(x), r_2(x)y)$, $r_1(x) = p(x)/q(x)$. $\deg(a) = \max(\deg(p), \deg(q))$.
 - The endomorphism, a , is separable, if $r'(x) \neq 0$.
 - If a is separable $\deg(a) = \#\ker(a)$.
 - If a is not separable $\deg(a) > \#\ker(a)$.
- If f_p is the Frobenius map, it is an endomorphism of degree p and f_p is not separable.
 - $\ker(fp - 1) = \#Ep$. f_p^{-1} is a separable endomorphism.
 - Let E be an elliptic curve over F_p , $a = q + 1 - \#Ep = q + 1 - \deg(\ker(fp - 1))$. $f_p^2 - afp + q = 0$.

Shanks and Menstre

- Input: $E_q(a,b)$, $\#E_q(a,b)=q+1-t$, $|t| \leq 4 < q$.
- Output: Bound on t . $O(q^{1/4}+e)$.
 1. Pick random point P on $E_q(a,b)$, $|P| > 4 < q$.
 2. $Q = [q+1]P$
 3. $Q_1 = Q + \text{floor}[2q]P$
 4. $t' = t + \text{floor}[2q]$, note $0 \leq t' \leq 4q$
 5. $m = \text{ceiling}(2q^{1/4})$
 6. Baby step: $[j]P$
 7. Giant step: $Q_1 - [i][m]P$
 8. $t' = im+j$, $i,j < m$. This bounds $\#E_q(a,b)$.
- Menstre: either a curve or its twist has a point with order $> 4q$

Endomorphisms continued

- Endomorphisms are maps that preserve the “addition” operation between an elliptic curve group and itself. That is $j(P + Q) = j(P) + j(Q)$. We care about endomorphisms that preserve O : $j(O) = O$. These are called isogenies.
- There are two very important endomorphisms:
 - Frobenius: $j(x, y) = (x^p, y^p)$
 - Point multiplication: $j(x, y) = [n](x, y)$.
- For $E_K(a, b)$, define $\Delta = (-16)(4a^3 + 27b^2)$. (For singular curves $\Delta=0$) and define the j -invariant $E_p(a, b), j(E) = \frac{1728}{\Delta}$.

Isomorphic Curves and the j-invariant

- Let K be a field and K^* its algebraic closure. $E_K(a, b)$ and $E_K(a', b')$ are *isomorphic* if $r, s, t \in K, u \in K^*$: the transformations $(x, y) \rightarrow (x', y')$ given by $x = u^2x' + r, y = u^3y' + su^2x' + t$, take $E_K(a, b)$ to $E_K(a', b')$.
- Recall $D = (-16)(4a^3 + 27b^2)$. (For singular curves $\Delta=0$) and define the j-invariant $E_p(a, b), j(E) = 1728/\Delta$.
- Theorem: Let $E_1 = EK(a, b)$ and $E_2 = EK(a', b')$ be two elliptic curves.
 1. If E_1 and E_2 are isomorphic, they have the same j-invariant.
 2. If $j(E_1) = j(E_2)$, there is a m : $a_2 = \mu^4a_1, b_2 = \mu^6b_1$.
 3. If two curves have the same j-invariant, they are isomorphic over the algebraic closure, K^* .

The Division Polynomials

- $[m](x, y) = \left(\frac{q_m(x, y)}{y_m(x, y)^2} \right), w = m(x, y)/y(x, y)^3$
- We can calculate these polynomials recursively:
 - $y_0(x, y) = 0; y_1(x, y) = 0.$
 - then $y_{2m+1}(x, y) = y_{m+2}(x, y)y_m^3 + y_{2m+1}(x, y)y_{m-1}(x, y)y_{m+1}^3.$
 - $f_m = xym^2 - y_{m+1}y_{m-2}$
 - $w_m = 1/(4y)(y_{m-2}y_{m-1}^2 - y_{m-2}y_{m+1})$
- Let E be an elliptic curve, the endomorphism of E given by multiplication by n has degree n^2 .
- $(x, y) = P \in E[m]$ is the subgroup of torsion points whose order divides m : $[m]P = 0$.

Preliminary DSA

□

- Bob has a private key x and a public key $\langle g, X \rangle$: $X = g^x$ in a group G .
To sign m , given a map $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{|G|}$:
 1. Bob generates a random a : $1 \leq a < |G|$. $A = g^a$.
 2. Bob computes $B \in \mathbb{Z}_{|G|}$: $m = -xf(A) + Ba \pmod{|G|}$.
 3. $\text{Sig}_{\text{Bob}}(m) = (A, B)$
- To verify compute $u = mB^{-1} \pmod{|G|}$, $v = f(A) B^{-1} \pmod{|G|}$ and $w = g^u X^v$. Verify that $w = A$.

ECDSA

- $D = (q, a, b, P, n, h)$. $nh = \#E_q(a, b)$. Private key d , message m .
- Signature (r, s)
 1. Select $k \in [1, n - 1]$
 2. Compute $kP = (x_1, y_1)$. Convert x_1 to integer x_1 .
 3. Compute $r = x_1 \pmod n$. If $r=0$ goto 1.
 4. Compute $e = H(m)$.
 5. $s = k^{-1}(e + dr) \pmod n$. If $s=0$, goto 1.
- Verify
 1. Check $r, s \in [1, n - 1]$. Compute $e = H(m)$.
 2. Compute $w = s^{-1} \pmod n$. $u_1 = ew \pmod n$. $u_2 = rw \pmod n$.
 3. Compute $X = u_1P + u_2Q$. If $X = O$, reject.
 4. Convert x_1 of X to integer x_1 . Compute $v = x_1 \pmod n$.
 5. If $(v=r)$ accept signature.

ECIES

- Input $D = (q, a, b, P, n, h)$, public key Q , plaintext m .
 - ENC, MAC, DEC are standard “symmetric key” functions. KDF is key derivation function (also standard).
1. Pick $k \in [1, n - 1]$.
 2. Compute $R = kP, Z = h kQ$. If $Z=O$, go to 1.
 3. $(k[1], k[2]) = KDF(xZ, R)$.
 4. $c = ENCK_{[1]}(m), t = MAC_{[2]}(c)$.
 5. return (R, c, t)

Useful definitions

- *Usehint, makehint*
- *Smallball, etc*
- $\text{SamplePolyCBD}_\eta(x)$
- $\text{PRF}_\eta(x)$
- $\text{SampleNTT}(x)$
- MultiplyNTT
- BaseCaseMultiply
- NTT
- NTT^{-1}