

# Lecture 19.

We turn our attention back to elliptic curves. Let's consider one more example. The curve  $E$ , given by equation  $y^2 = x^3 + 2x - 1 / \mathbb{F}_5$ , is smooth:  $\Delta_f = 4 \cdot 2^3 + 27(-1)^2 = 59 \equiv 4 \neq 0 \pmod{5}$ .

The squares modulo 5 are 1 and 4:  $1^2 \equiv 4^2 \equiv 1$  and  $2^2 \equiv 3^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$ .

Points on  $E$ :

$x=0: y^2 = -1 \equiv 4$ , so  $y \equiv 2$  or  $y \equiv 3 \rightarrow$  points  $(0, 2)$  and  $(0, 3)$ .

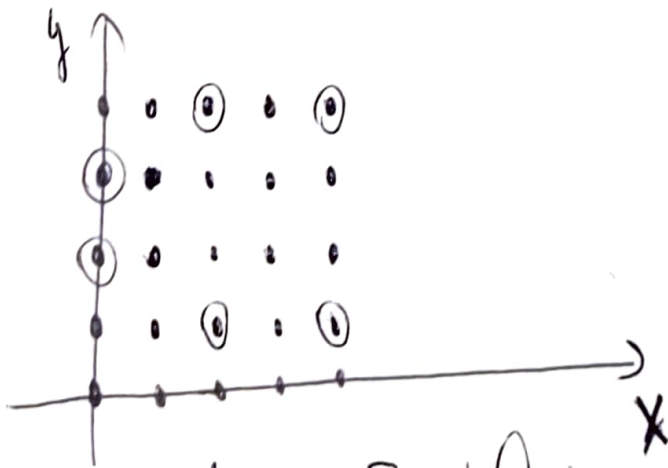
$x=1: y^2 = 1+2-1 \equiv 2$  X (not a square)

$x=2: y^2 = 8+4-1 \equiv 1$ , so  $y \equiv 1$  or  $y \equiv 4 \rightarrow$  points  $(2, 1)$  and  $(2, 4)$ .

$x=3: y^2 = 27+6-1 = 32 \equiv 2$  X (not a square)

$x=4: y^2 = -1-2-1 \equiv 1 \rightarrow$  points  $(4, 1)$  and  $(4, 4)$

The graphs of  $E$  looks as follows:



There are 7 points on  $E$ :  $\{ \underset{\text{identity}}{O}, (0, 2), (0, 3), (2, 1), (2, 4), (4, 1), (4, 4) \}$

Notice that  $5+1-2\sqrt{5} < 7 \leq 5+1+2\sqrt{5}$  (as asserted in Hasse's theorem).

As there are 7 points on  $E$ , we have that  $G(E)$  has 7 elements. It follows immediately (from a lemma below) that  $G(E) \cong \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z}$ .

Lemma. Let  $p > 1$  be a prime number. Any group of order  $p$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ .

Proof. Let  $G$  be a group of order  $p$  and  $g \in G$  a nontrivial element. Then the order of  $g$  is greater than 1 and divides  $p$ , so it has to be equal to  $p$ . Therefore, the subgroup generated by  $g$  is the whole group  $G$ , so  $G$  is cyclic.

Rmk. As elements with the same  $x$ -coordinate on  $E$  add up to identity, we have (without using any formulas)

$$(0,2) \oplus (0,3) = (2,1) \oplus (2,4) = (4,1) \oplus (4,4) = \mathcal{O}.$$

Let's compute  $(0,2) \oplus (2,1)$  using the formulas:

$$m = \frac{1-2}{2-0} = 4 \cdot 2^{-1} \equiv 4 \cdot 3 \equiv 2$$

$$x\text{-coordinate} = 2^2 - 0 - 2 \equiv 2$$

$$y\text{-coordinate} = -2 - 2(2-0) \equiv 4$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x\text{-coordinate} = 2 \\ y\text{-coordinate} = 4 \end{array} \right\} (0,2) \oplus (2,1) = (2,4).$$

Def-n. A Cayley table (group table) of a finite group  $G$  is the table with entries being products of corresponding parts of elements.

In our example:

Exercise. Fill out the remaining entries.

$\oplus$	$\emptyset$	(0,2)	(0,3)	(2,1)	(2,4)	(4,1)	(4,4)
$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$
(0,2)	$\emptyset$		$\emptyset$	(3,4)			
(0,3)	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$					
(2,1)	$\emptyset$	(2,4)			$\emptyset$		
(2,4)	$\emptyset$			$\emptyset$			
(4,1)	$\emptyset$						$\emptyset$
(4,4)	$\emptyset$					$\emptyset$	

Rmk. If  $G$  is abelian, then the Cayley table is symmetric.

### El Gamal cryptosystem ('classical' and using elliptic curves)

We would like to have a secure message exchange channel (protocol) build on the assumption that the DLP for  $(\mathbb{F}_p^x, \alpha)$  with  $p \gg 0$  is extremely hard to solve.

Each participant  $\triangleleft$  creates a private key,  $k_i \in \mathbb{Z}^r$  and publishes the number  $g^{k_i} =: X$  (where  $g \in \mathbb{F}_p^x$  is an element known to all participant, so is  $r = \text{order}(g)$ ).

Any two participants  $\triangleleft$  (A and B) create a shared key (if they want to exchange a message):  $K_{AB} := AB = g^{k_A k_B} = (g^{k_A})^{k_B} = (g^{k_B})^{k_A}$ .

B sends a message  $m \in \mathbb{F}_p^x$  to A via sending the ciphertext  $m \cdot K_{AB} =: C$ .

A retrieves the message as  $C \cdot B^{-k_A} = m \cdot K_{AB} \cdot K_{AB}^{-1} = m$ .

The version with the group  $E/\mathbb{F}_p$  in place of  $\mathbb{F}_p^*$  looks as follows. This time all participants know the number  $p$  (prime), curve  $E$ , a point  $P \in E$  of large prime order  $r$  (also known). Each participant chooses a number  $k_i$  between 1 and  $r-1$  (it is kept in secret) and publishes the point  $Q_i = P \oplus \dots \oplus P$ . The shared key of participants  $A$  and  $B$

is now  $k_A k_B P = k_A Q_B = k_B Q_A =: S^{AB} = (S_x^{AB}, S_y^{AB})$ .

A message  $m \in \mathbb{F}_p^*$  ( $m = m_1 m_2 \dots m_s$ ) is first broken into two parts:  $m_1 m_2 \dots m_t / m_{t+1} \dots m_s$  (it is not important where the border line is, say, an end of a logical part will do). Then  $B$  sends  $A$  two numbers:  $L_1 S_x^{AB}$  and  $L_2 S_y^{AB}$ , where  $L_1 = m_1 \dots m_t$  and  $L_2 = m_{t+1} \dots m_s$  are the first and second half of the original plaintext message. Then  $A$  recovers  $L_1$  as  $(L_1 S_x^{AB}) (S_x^{AB})^{-1}$  and  $L_2$  as  $(L_2 S_y^{AB}) (S_y^{AB})^{-1}$ .

Rmk. This scheme was proposed by Menezes and Vanstone and is known as MV-ElGamal cryptosystem.

### The Double-and-Add algorithm.

Notice that we need to effectively compute multiples of point  $P$  on  $E$ . The 'naive' way to add  $P$  to itself  $m$  times will require  $m-1$  operations:  $\underbrace{P \oplus P \oplus P \dots \oplus P}_{m-1 \text{ ops}}$ . Here is a much faster way.

1. Write  $m$  in the binary form:  $m = m_s 2^s + m_{s-1} 2^{s-1} + \dots + m_1 2 + m_0$  with  $m_i \in \{0, 1\}$ .

2. Compute  $Q_0 = 2^0 P = P$ ,  $Q_1 = Q_0 \oplus Q_0 = 2^1 P$ ,  $Q_2 = Q_1 \oplus Q_1 = 2^2 P$ , ...,  $Q_s = Q_{s-1} \oplus Q_{s-1} = 2^s P$

3.  $mP = \bigoplus_{i=0}^s Q_i$   
 $m=1$

Example. Find  $67P$ .

1.  $69 = 64 + 4 + 1 = 2^6 + 2^2 + 1$ .

2. Find  $Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4, Q_5, Q_6 \rightarrow 6$  operations

3.  $67P = Q_6 \oplus Q_2 \oplus P \rightarrow 2$  operations

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'stupid' addition

# Shor's algorithm for PLP with $G = G(E/\mathbb{F}_p)$ .

Let  $G$  be a group of points on an elliptic curve  $E$  defined over finite field  $\mathbb{F}_p$ .

Given:  $p$ , eqn  $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  of  $E$ , a point  $P$  on  $E$  and its order  $r$ , together with another point  $Q = kP = \underbrace{P \oplus \dots \oplus P}_k$ .

Goal: find  $k$ .

As before, we reformulate this problem as an instance of a hidden subgroup problem.

Let  $\mathbb{Z}/r\mathbb{Z} = \langle P \rangle \subset G(E/\mathbb{F}_p)$  be the cyclic subgroup generated by  $P$  (we simply identify  $P$  with  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}/r\mathbb{Z}$ ).

Set  $K := \mathbb{Z}/r\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/r\mathbb{Z}$  and  $S := \mathbb{Z}/r\mathbb{Z}$  with

$f: K \rightarrow S$  given by  $f(a, b) := a - bk \pmod{r}$  (for  $aP - bQ \in E$ ).

Then  $H := \{(a, b) \mid f(a, b) = 0\}$  is the hidden subgroup and the knowledge of  $H$  allows to find  $k$  (see previous lectures).

We will use (an instance of) Shor's algorithm to 'find' (some info on)  $H$ . Show how to

① Prepare the generic state

$$\frac{1}{r} \sum_{0 \leq a, b < r-1} |a\rangle |b\rangle |aP\rangle |bQ\rangle |0\rangle$$

② Apply the oracle  $O_f$  to get  $\frac{1}{r} \sum_{0 \leq a, b < r-1} |a\rangle |b\rangle |aP\rangle |bQ\rangle |aP - bQ\rangle$

③ Measure the last register: the outcome will be some  $t = a' - b'k$  and the state will collapse to

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{a, b: a-bk \equiv t \pmod{r}} |a\rangle |b\rangle |aP\rangle |bQ\rangle$$

④ Apply the QFT for the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{r/2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{r/2}$  (as we discussed, it is the tensor product of two copies of QFT for  $\mathbb{Z}_{r/2}$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{\substack{a, b \\ a-bk \equiv t}} |a\rangle |b\rangle |aP\rangle |bQ\rangle &\xrightarrow{\text{QFT}} \frac{1}{r^{3/2}} \sum_{\substack{a, b \\ a-bk \equiv t}} \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} \omega^{aj} |j\rangle |jP\rangle \sum_{s=0}^{r-1} \omega^{bs} |s\rangle |sQ\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{r^{3/2}} \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} \sum_{s=0}^{r-1} \sum_{\substack{a, b \\ a-bk \equiv t}} \omega^{aj+bs} |j\rangle |s\rangle |jP\rangle |sQ\rangle = \frac{1}{r^{3/2}} \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} \sum_{s=0}^{r-1} \sum_{b=0}^{r-1} \omega^{(bk+1)j+bs} |j\rangle |s\rangle |jP\rangle |sQ\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Let's simplify the expression  $\sum_{b=0}^{r-1} \omega^{(bk+1)j+bs}$  (recall that  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/r}$ )

$$\sum_{b=0}^{r-1} \omega^{(bk+1)j+bs} = \omega^{tj} \sum_{b=0}^{r-1} \omega^{b(kj+s)} = \begin{cases} r\omega^{tj}, & kj+s \equiv 0 \pmod{r} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

So our current state can be written as

$$\frac{1}{r^{3/2}} \sum_{\substack{s, j \\ kj+s \equiv 0}} r\omega^{tj} |j\rangle |s\rangle |jP\rangle |sQ\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{\substack{s, j \\ kj+s \equiv 0}} \omega^{tj} |j\rangle |s\rangle |jP\rangle |sQ\rangle$$

⑤ Measure the remaining registers, giving rise to some  $l, u, l', u'$  with  $kl + u \equiv 0 \pmod{\Gamma}$ .

Then we find  $k$  as  $k \equiv -ul^{-1} \pmod{\Gamma}$ .

Rmk. Usually  $\Gamma$  is chosen to be prime, but even if not, the odds for  $\gcd(l, \Gamma) \neq 1$  are very low.