

# MATH 3094 - Practice Final Exam

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P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	Extra	Total

**Please review the previous practice exams and midterms for practice on material from Chapters 1-4.**

**Problem 1.** Draw the elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + 1$  and illustrate addition and doubling of points on the graph, by adding  $P = (0, 1)$  and  $Q = (2, 3)$ , and also  $Q + Q = 2Q$ .

**Problem 2.** Let  $E$  be the elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + 1$  defined over  $\mathbb{F}_{11}$ .

- (1) State Hasse's theorem, and give a bound on the number of points in  $E(\mathbb{F}_{11})$  using Hasse's theorem.
- (2) Find all the points on  $E(\mathbb{F}_{11})$ .
- (3) Let  $P = (5, 4)$ . Show that  $P$  is on  $E$ , and compute  $2P$  using the doubling formulas on  $E$ .
- (4) Let  $P = (5, 4)$  and  $Q = (7, 5)$ . Compute  $P + Q$  using the addition formulas on  $E$ .

**Problem 3.** Let  $E$  be the elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + 1$  defined over  $\mathbb{F}_{11}$ , and let  $P = (9, 9)$ . The multiples of  $P$  are, in order:

$$(9, 9), (2, 3), (5, 7), (0, 1), (7, 5), (10, 0), (7, 6), (0, 10), (5, 4), (2, 8), (9, 2), \mathcal{O} = (0 : 1 : 0)$$

That is,  $2P = (2, 3)$ ,  $3P = (5, 7)$ , etc.

- (1) In Problem 2 you should have proved that  $\#E(\mathbb{F}_{11}) = 12$ . If  $P = (9, 9)$  and  $Q$  is an arbitrary point on  $E(\mathbb{F}_{11})$ , is the ECDLP problem  $nP = Q$  solvable?
- (2) Find  $n$  such that  $nP = (5, 4)$ .
- (3) Find  $n$  such that  $nP = (7, 6)$ .
- (4) Use the elliptic collision algorithm to solve  $nP = (5, 4)$ .

**Problem 4.** Let  $E$  be the elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + 1$  defined over  $\mathbb{F}_{11}$ , and let  $P = (9, 9)$ . The multiples of  $P$  are, in order:

$$(9, 9), (2, 3), (5, 7), (0, 1), (7, 5), (10, 0), (7, 6), (0, 10), (5, 4), (2, 8), (9, 2), \mathcal{O} = (0 : 1 : 0)$$

That is,  $2P = (2, 3)$ ,  $3P = (5, 7)$ , etc.

- (1) Alice sets up an Elliptic Diffie–Hellman system with  $p$ ,  $E$  and  $P$  as above. She chooses  $n_A = 2$  and Bob chooses  $n_B = 5$ . Compute the secret key (the secret point) that they will share using the Elliptic Diffie–Hellman algorithm.
- (2) Eve intercepts a communication between Alice and Bob. Eve knows that Alice set up an Elliptic Diffie–Hellman with  $p$ ,  $E$ ,  $P$  as above, and intercepts a communication from Alice to Bob ( $Q_A = (7, 5)$ ) and a communication from Bob to Alice ( $Q_B = (2, 8)$ ). What is the secret that Alice and Bob share?

**Problem 5.** Explain how Alice could set up an Elliptic Elgamal system using  $p$ ,  $P$ ,  $E$  as in Problem 4, and give an example of a message being encrypted in this system.

**Problem 6.** Explain how Alice could set up an Elliptic Digital Signature system using  $p$ ,  $E$  as in Problem 4, and give an example of a document being signed in this system.

**Problem 7.** Let  $N = 143$  and  $E : y^2 = x^3 + x - 1$  and  $P = (1, 1)$ . Use Lenstra’s algorithm to factor  $N$ , using  $E$  and  $P$  modulo  $N$ . (*For this problem, you can use a computer if you want, to practice and to learn how the algorithm works. In the exam, a question of this type would be set up so you don’t have to use a computer – a calculator would suffice.*)

## Highlights of Chapter 6.

### Chapter 6: Elliptic Curves and Cryptography

#### 1. Number theory concepts:

- (a) An *elliptic curve* over a field  $F$  (where  $F \neq \mathbb{F}_2$ ) is a curve given by a Weierstrass equation  $y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B$ , with  $A, B \in F$ , such that  $4A^3 + 27B^2 \neq 0$  in  $F$ .
- (b) The geometric secant and tangent method on an elliptic curve  $E$  to find a third point  $R$  on  $E$  from two known points  $P$  and  $Q$ . Addition of points on the elliptic curve.
- (c) Elliptic curve addition algorithm: let  $E$  be given by  $y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B$ , and let  $P$  and  $Q$  be points on  $E$ .
  - If  $P = \mathcal{O}$ , then  $P \oplus Q = Q$ . If  $Q = \mathcal{O}$ , then  $P \oplus Q = P$ .
  - If  $P = (x_1, y_1)$  and  $Q = (x_1, -y_1)$ , then  $P \oplus Q = \mathcal{O}$ , i.e.,  $Q = -P$ .
  - If  $P \neq Q$  and  $P = (x_1, y_1)$ ,  $Q = (x_2, y_2)$ , then define  $\lambda = (y_2 - y_1)/(x_2 - x_1)$ . Then  $P \oplus Q = (x_3, y_3)$ , with

$$x_3 = \lambda^2 - x_1 - x_2 \quad \text{and} \quad y_3 = \lambda(x_1 - x_3) - y_1.$$

- If  $P = Q = (x_1, y_1)$ , then define  $\lambda = (3x_1^2 + A)/(2y_1)$ . Then  $2P = (x_3, y_3)$  where the coordinates  $x_3, y_3$  are defined as above.
- (d) If  $E$  is an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , with  $p$  prime, then

$$E(\mathbb{F}_p) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{F}_p^2 : y^2 \equiv x^3 + Ax + B \pmod{p}\} \cup \{\mathcal{O}\}.$$

- (e) Hasse's theorem: if  $E$  is an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , then

$$p + 1 - 2\sqrt{p} \leq \#E(\mathbb{F}_p) \leq p + 1 + 2\sqrt{p}.$$

#### 2. Cryptography:

- (a) The Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem (ECDLP): given an elliptic curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  and points  $P$  and  $Q$  on  $E$ , find a number  $n$  such that  $nP = Q$ , where  $nP = P \oplus \dots \oplus P$  is the sum of  $n$  copies of  $P$  using the elliptic curve addition algorithm.
- (b) The double-and-add algorithm to compute a multiple of a point on an elliptic curve.
- (c) Collision algorithm to find a solution to an ECDLP problem: to solve  $Q = nP$ , find lists:
  - List 1:  $k_1P, k_2P, \dots, k_rP$ , where  $k_1, \dots, k_r$  are distinct integers.
  - List 2:  $k'_1P + Q, k'_2P + Q, \dots, k'_rP + Q$ , where  $k'_1, \dots, k'_r$  are distinct integers.

If  $k_uP = k'_vP + Q$ , then  $Q = (k_u - k'_v)P$ . One needs about  $r \approx 3\sqrt{p}$  to have a “very good chance” of finding a collision.

- (d) Elliptic Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange:
  - A trusted party chooses a large prime  $p$ , an elliptic curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , and a points  $P$  in  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ .
  - Alice chooses a secret integer  $n_A$ , Bob chooses a secret integer  $n_B$ .
  - Alice computes  $Q_A = n_A \cdot P$  and sends it to Bob. Bob computes  $Q_B = n_B \cdot P$  and sends it to Alice.
  - Alice computes the secret shared point  $n_A \cdot Q_B$ . Bob computes the secret shared point  $n_B \cdot Q_A$ . We have  $n_An_BP = n_AQ_B = n_BQ_A$ .
- (e) Elliptic Elgamal cryptosystem:
  - A trusted party chooses a large prime  $p$ , an elliptic curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , and a points  $P$  in  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ .

- Alice chooses a private key  $n_A$ . Computes  $Q_A = n_A \cdot P$  in  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ . Publishes  $Q_A$ .
- Bob chooses plaintext  $M \in E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ , chooses a random element  $k$ , and computes  $C_1 = kP$  and  $C_2 = M + kQ_A$ . Sends the ciphertext  $(C_1, C_2)$  to Alice.
- Alice computes the plaintext  $M = C_2 - n_A C_1 \in E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ .

(f) Elliptic Curve Digital Signatures:

- A trusted party chooses a large prime  $p$ , an elliptic curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , and a points  $G$  in  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  of large prime order  $q$ .
- Sam chooses a secret signing key  $1 < s < q - 1$ . Computes  $V = sG$  in  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ , and publishes  $V$ .
- Sam chooses a document  $d \bmod q$ , chooses a random element  $e \bmod q$ , computes  $eG$  in  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ , and a signature  $(s_1, s_2) = (x(eG) \bmod q, (d + s \cdot s_1)e^{-1} \bmod q)$ . Publish  $(d, (s_1, s_2))$ .
- Victor computes  $v_1 \equiv ds_2^{-1} \bmod q$  and  $v_2 \equiv s_1 s_2^{-1} \bmod q$ . Then verifies that

$$x(v_1 G + v_2 V) \bmod q = s_1.$$

(g) Lenstra's Factorization Algorithm:

- Input:  $N$  to be factored.
- Choose random  $A$ ,  $a$ , and  $b \bmod N$ .
- Set  $P = (a, b)$  and  $B \equiv b^2 - a^3 - Aa \bmod N$ , and  $E : y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B \bmod N$ .
- Loop  $j = 2, 3, 4, \dots$ 
  - Set  $Q \equiv j \cdot P \bmod N$  and set  $P = Q$ .
  - If computing  $j \cdot P$  in Step 4 fails, we have found a divisor  $d > 1$  of  $N$ .
    - If  $d < N$ , then success, return  $d$ .
    - If  $d = 1$ , then go to step 1.
  - If computing  $j \cdot P$  is successful, then increase  $j$  by 1, and return to Step A.