# Finding ECM friendly curves: A Galois approach

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# Motivation - ECM algorithm

### **Algorithm 1** ECM algorithm

#### INPUT: n

**OUTPUT**: a non-trivial factor of n.

- 1:  $B \leftarrow B_n$ .
- 2: while No factor is found do
- 3:  $E \leftarrow \text{ an elliptic curve on } \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } P \in E(\mathbb{Q}), \text{ ord}(P) = \infty.$
- 4:  $P_B \leftarrow [B!]P = (x_B : y_B : z_B) \mod n$
- 5:  $g \leftarrow \gcd(z_B, n)$
- 6: if  $g \notin \{1, n\}$  then return g
- 7: end if
- 8: end while

### Idea of ECM

#### Idea

Let p be an unknown prime factor of n. If  $\operatorname{ord}(P)$  in  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  divides B!, then

$$(x_B:y_B:z_B) \equiv (0:1:0) \mod p.$$

In this case p divides  $gcd(z_B, n)$ .

#### Sufficient condition

 $\#E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  is B-smooth.

#### Idea of Montgomery

Lenstra :  $\mathsf{Prob}(\#E(\mathbb{F}_p) \text{ is } B\text{-smooth})$ 

 $\simeq$  Prob((random integer  $\simeq p$  is B- smooth).

Montgomery : What if  $\#E(\mathbb{F}_p)$  is even for all primes p?

# Motivation - ECM algorithm

### **Algorithm 2** ECM algorithm + Montgomery

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INPUT: n
OUTPUT: a non-trivial factor of n.
 1: B \leftarrow B_n, m \leftarrow B!
 2. while No factor is found do
        E \leftarrow an elliptic curve from a family and P = (x : y : z) \in
     E(\mathbb{O}).
                                \triangleright Ex. higher probability that 2|\#E(\mathbb{F}_p).
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### Montgomery heuristic

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- Barbulescu et al : Better valuation without additional torsion points (Suyama-11)

#### Definition (*m*-torsion field)

Let E be an elliptic curve on  $\mathbb{Q}$ , m a positive integer. The m-torsion field  $\mathbb{Q}(E[m])$  is defined as the smallest extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  containing all the m-torsion points.

Let us note that  $G = Gal(\mathbb{Q}(E[m])/\mathbb{Q})$  is always a subgroup of  $GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})$ .

#### Theorem (Serre)

- For all primes I and  $k \ge 1$ , the index  $[\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/I^k\mathbb{Z}) : \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E[I^k])/\mathbb{Q})]$  is non-decreasing and bounded by a constant depending on E and I.
- For all primes I outside a finite set depending on E and for all  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/I^k\mathbb{Z}) = \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E[I^k])/\mathbb{Q})$ .

## How to change the average valuation?

#### Theorem (Barbulescu et al. 2012)

Let I be a prime and  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  be two elliptic curves. If  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E_1[I^n])) \simeq \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E_2[I^n]))$  then  $v_I(E_1) = v_I(E_2)$ .

Thus in order to change the average valuation, we must change  $Gal(\mathbb{Q}(E_2[I^n]))$  for at least one n.

## Constructing the *m*-torsion field

#### Definition - Theorem

For an elliptic curve E and a an integer m, we define the m-division polynomial as

$$\Psi_{(E,m)}(X) = \prod_{(x_P, \pm y_P) \in E[m] - O} (X - x_P) \qquad \in \mathbb{Q}[X].$$

We have  $\deg(\Psi_{(E,m)}) = \frac{m^2+2-3\eta}{2}$  where  $\eta = m\%2$ .

From now on, we will restrict ourselves to prime torsion.

Given  $E: y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  and a prime I, we construct:

$$\mathbb{Q} \quad \to \mathbb{Q}(x_1) \quad \to \quad \mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2) \quad \to \quad \mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, y_1) \quad \to \quad \mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$$

where the polynomials defining the extensions are;

- **1** (An irreducible factor of)  $\Psi_{(E,l)}$
- 2 An irreducible factor of  $\Psi_{(E,I)}$  on  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1)$ .

$$\mathbb{Q}(x_1,x_2,y_1,y_2)=\mathbb{Q}(E[I]).$$



Let P be an irreducible polynomial of degree n in K[X] and let  $\theta_1, ..., \theta_n$  be its roots in  $\bar{K}$ .

#### Definition (Resolvent polynomial)

Let  $F(X_1,...,X_n)$  be a polynomial in  $K[X_1,...,X_n]$  and G be a subgroup of  $S_n$  such that  $G=\{\sigma\in S_n|F(X_{\sigma(1)},...,X_{\sigma(n)})=F(X_1,...,X_n)\}$ . We define the resolvent polynomial

$$R_G(F, P)(X) = \prod_{\sigma \in S_n/G} (X - F(\theta_{\sigma(1)}, ..., \theta_{\sigma(n)})).$$

#### Theorem

Let P be a polynomial of degree n, G a transitive subgroup of  $S_n$  and F as above. Then,  $R_G(F,P)(X) \in K[X]$  and if it has a simple root in K then  $Gal(P) \subset G$  upto conjugacy.

**Example :** Let us consider the field  $K = \mathbb{Q}(a, b, c, d)$  and the polynomial  $P = X^4 + aX^3 + bX^2 + cX + d$ . Let  $G = D_8 = <(3, 4), (1, 3)(2, 4), (1, 4)(2, 3) >$  and  $F = X_1X_2 + X_3X_4$ .

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We now apply the fundamental theorem of symmetric polynomials to get  $R_G(F,P) = X^3 - bX^2 + (ac - 4d)X - a^2d - c^2 + 4bd$ .

#### **Theorem**

Let  $P = X^4 + bX^2 + cX + d$  be an irreducible rational polynomial. Then we have,

- $Gal(P) \subset D_8$  if, and only if,  $X^3 bX^2 4dX c^2 + 4bd$  has a rational root.
- ②  $Gal(P) \subset V_4 = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  if, and only if,  $X^6 6bX^5 + (13b^2 24d)X^4 + (-12b^3 + 96bd)X^3 + (4b^4 120b^2d + 144d^2)X^2 + (48b^3d 288bd^2)X + 4b^3c^2 16b^4d + 27c^4 144bc^2d + 272b^2d^2 256d^3$  has a rational root.

#### Remark

When 
$$P=\Psi_{(E,m)}$$
 of degree  $n\geq \frac{m^2-m}{2}$ , we have  $\deg(R_G)=[S_n:G]>[S_n:GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})]>\frac{\#S_{m^2-m}}{\#GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})}>\frac{(\frac{m^2-m}{2})!}{\#GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})}>\frac{2^{\frac{m^2-m}{2}}}{m^4}$ . (Hyper-exponential, in practice only  $m=2,3,4$  work.)

#### Another method

**Question :** When does the Galois group of the field of *I*-torsion differs from its generic value?

**Answer :** When one of the 4 extensions given below has smaller degree than its generic value.

This is equivalent to testing whether  $\Psi_{(E,I)}$  factorizes on  $\mathbb{Q}$  or a factor of  $\Psi_{(E,I)}$  factorizes on  $\mathbb{Q}(x_1)$  or two polynomials of degree 2 factorize on appropriate fields.

#### Example:

Let  $E: y^2=x^3+ax+b$  be a rational elliptic curve. Then  $\Psi_3=x^4+2ax^2+4bx-\frac{1}{3}a^2$ . We consider a partition of 4 of length 2.

For [2, 2], we write,

$$x^4 + 2ax^2 + 4bx - \frac{1}{3}a^2 = (x^2 + e_2x + e_1)(x^2 + f_2x + f_1)$$

and equate the coefficients on both sides. We get a system of polynomial equations,

$$\begin{cases} e_2 + f_2 = 0 \\ e_2 f_2 + e_1 + f_1 = 2a \\ e_1 f_2 + e_2 f_1 = 4b \\ e_1 f_1 = -1/3 a^2 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} f_2 = -e_2 \\ f_1 = 2a + e_2 f_2 - e_1 \\ e_1 \left( e_2^2 + 2 a - e_1 \right) + \frac{1}{3} a^2 = 0. \\ e_2^6 + 4 a e_2^4 + \frac{16}{3} e_2^2 a^2 - 16 b^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Thus if  $3x^6 + 12ax^4 + 16a^2x^2 - 48b^2$  does not have a rational root, then the factorization pattern of  $\Psi_3$  is not [2,2].

## Algorithm

### Algorithm 1 (CONDITIONS)

**INPUT**:  $F \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$  and  $P \in \mathbb{Q}[X]/F$  of degree n.

**OUTPUT**: Necessary conditions under which P has a certain factorization pattern on  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/F$ .

- **1** For every partition of n, create a system of equations as shown in the example.
- Solve it to get polynomial conditions.

#### Algorithm 2

**INPUT**: *E* a rational elliptic curve and *l* a prime.

**OUTPUT** : Necessary conditions under which  $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E[I]))$  is non-generic.

- **1** For  $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- ②  $F_i = \mu(K_{i-1})$  (absolute polynomial of  $K_{i-1}$ .)
- **3** CONDITIONS $(F_i, P_i)$



### Case I = 3

#### Theorem

Let  $E: y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  be a rational elliptic curve with  $ab \neq 0$ . Let  $\Psi_3$  be its 3-division polynomial and  $\Delta$  its discriminant. Then we have,

Fact. Pattern of Ψ <sub>3</sub>	Condition(s)	$\#G_{E}(3)$
(1,1,2)	$C_1$ and a 3-torsion point	2
(1,1,2)	$\overline{C}_1$	4
(1,3)	$C_{2i}$ or $[C_2$ and a 3-torsion point]	6
(1,3)	$C_2$	12
(2,2)	$C_3$	8
(4)	C <sub>4</sub>	16

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### From conditions to families of curves

- Let us assume that a family is given by the condition that  $\exists x \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that C(x, a, b) = 0.
- 2 Replace a and b in C by random polynomials in t. We then compute the genus of C(x, t).
- Compute genus g of C.
  - If  $g \ge 2$ , only finitely many solutions.
  - If g = 0, try to find a rational point and parametrize.
  - If g=1, try to find a rational point and put C in Weierstrass form and compute the rank r.
    - If r = 0, only finitely many points.
    - If r > 0, compute generators.

## From conditions to families of curves: Example

Let  $E: y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  be a rational elliptic curve. We saw that if  $\Psi_3$  factorizes into two quadratic factors then  $C = 3x^6 + 12ax^4 + 16a^2x^2 - 48b^2$  has a rational root. If we put b = 2a, we get  $C = 3x^6 + 12ax^4 + 16a^2x^2 - 192a^2$ . This curve is of genus 0 thus we get a parametrization

$$a(t) = \frac{27t^3(19t+2)^3}{(242t^2+54t+3)(271t^2+57t+3)^2}$$
 and  $b(t) = 2a(t)$ .

### Case I = 3

#### $\mathsf{Theorem}$

Let  $E: y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  be a rational elliptic curve with  $ab \neq 0$ . Let  $\Psi_3$  be its 3-division polynomial and  $\Delta$  its discriminant. Then we have,

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$$C_{2'} = x^{16} - 24bx^{12} + 6\Delta x^{8} - 3\Delta^{2}$$

$$C_{2} = 3x^{4} + 6ax^{2} + 12bx - a^{2}$$

$$C_{3} = 3x^{6} + 12ax^{4} + 16a^{2}x^{2} - 48b^{2}$$

$$C_{4} = x^{3} - 2\Delta$$

In all the above cases, we obtained g = 0.

## Computing the generic valuation of a family

$$\mathsf{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(t)(E_t[I])/\mathbb{Q}(t)) \stackrel{\mathsf{eval}}{\longrightarrow} \mathsf{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E[I])/\mathbb{Q})$$

$$\downarrow^{\rho} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\rho}$$
 $\mathsf{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/I\mathbb{Z}) \stackrel{=}{\longrightarrow} \mathsf{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/I\mathbb{Z})$ 

As the families are constructed to have  $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(t)(E_t[I])/\mathbb{Q}(t)) \subset H$  where H is a subgroup of  $\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/I\mathbb{Z})$ , it suffices to find one value of  $t \in \mathbb{Q}$  for which  $\#\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(E[I])/\mathbb{Q}) = \#H$  to determine  $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(t)(E_t[I])/\mathbb{Q}(t))$ .

### Valuations I=3

#### Theorem

Let  $E: y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$ ,  $ab \neq 0$  be a rational elliptic curve. Then the generic average valuation  $\overline{val}_3(E(\mathbb{F}_p))$  is 0.68, except when one the following cases occurs.

Conditions	A parametrization	Example (a, b)	Valuation
C <sub>1</sub> and a 3-torsion point	a, b complicated.	(5805, -285714)	2.06
C <sub>1</sub>	a, b complicated.	(284445, 97999902)	1.41
C <sub>2</sub> and a 3-torsion point	$a = 3t^2, b = -\frac{243t^6 + 162t^4 - 9t^2}{36}$	(3, -11)	1.68
C <sub>2</sub> ,	$a = \frac{-192 t^3 - 254803968}{t^4}, b = \frac{-t^6 - 5308416 t^3 - 4696546738176}{3t^6}$	$\left(-254804160, -\frac{4696552046593}{3}\right)$	1.68
C <sub>2</sub>	$a = \frac{r^4}{(t^2 + 4t + 1)^2}, b = 2a$	$\left(\frac{-4608}{169}, \frac{-9216}{169}\right)$	1.22
C <sub>3</sub>	$a = \frac{27t^3(19t+2)^3}{(242t^2+54t+3)(271t^2+57t+3)^2}, b = 2a$	$(\frac{250047}{32758739}, \frac{500094}{32758739})$	1.08
C <sub>4</sub>	$a = \frac{216}{(t^3 - 8)}, b = 2a$	$\left(\frac{-216}{7}, \frac{-432}{7}\right)$	0.54

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# Cryptographic application

#### Goal

- **INPUT** : A number field K, a prime I and  $a(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $b(\alpha, \beta)$ .
- OUTPUT: Complete list of equations of negligible density necessary for non-generic valuation.

#### Popular parametrizations

- Montgomery  $By^2 = x^3 + Ax^2 + x$  or  $y^2 = x^3 + \frac{3-A^2}{3B^2}x + \frac{2A^3-3A}{27B^3}$
- Edwards  $ax^2+y^2=1+dx^2y^2$  or  $y^2=x^3+\frac{3-\alpha^2}{3\beta^2}x+\frac{2\alpha^3-3\alpha}{27\beta^3}$  where  $\alpha=-2\frac{a+d}{a-d}$  and  $\beta=\frac{4}{a-d}$ .
- Hessian  $y^2 + axy + by = x^3$  or  $y^2 = x^3 + (-27a^4 + 648ab)x + (54a^6 1944a^3b + 11664b^2)$ .
- etc...

## Valuation m = 4, Montgomery curve

#### Theorem

Let  $E: By^2 = x^3 + Ax^2 + x$  be a rational elliptic curve with  $B(A^2 - 4) \neq 0$ . Then the generic average valuation  $\overline{val}_2(E(\mathbb{F}_p))$  is 3.33, except,

• If  $A^2-4\neq \square$  i.e.  $E(\mathbb{Q})[2]\neq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}\times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ , we note  $\Psi$  be the quartic factor of its 4-division polynomial. Then we have,

Fact. Pat. of Ψ	Condition(s)	$\#G_{E}(4)$	Valuation
(2, 2)	$C_2 (A = -2 \frac{t^4 - 4}{t^4 + 4})$	4	3.40
(4)	$\frac{A\pm 2}{B} = \pm \Box \text{ or } \frac{4B^2}{A^2-4} = -t^4$	8	3.68

$$C_2 = x^4 - 4Ax^3 + (4A^2 + 8)x^2 - 16Ax + 4A^2$$

• If  $A^2 - 4 = \Box$  i.e. if  $A = \frac{t^2 + 4}{2t}$ . Then we have,

Fact. Pat. of Ψ	Condition(s)	$\#G_{E}(4)$	Valuation
(1, 1, 2)	$A = rac{t^4 + 24t^2 + 16}{4(t^2 + 4)t}$ and $B = -t(t^2 + 4)\Box$	2	4.82
(1, 1, 2)	$A = \frac{t^4 + 24t^2 + 16}{4(t^2 + 4)t}$	4	3.91
(2,2)	$A=rac{t^2+4}{2t}$ and $rac{A\pm 2}{B}=\square$	4	4.42
(2,2)	$A = \frac{t^2 + 4}{2t}$	8	3.78

Thank you!