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Keep in mind there are *two* PDFs available (of which this is the latter):

- 1. a PDF of examinable material used as lecture slides, and
- 2. a PDF of non-examinable, extra material:
 - the associated notes page may be pre-populated with extra, written explaination of material covered in lecture(s), plus
 - anything with a "grey'ed out" header/footer represents extra material which is useful and/or interesting but out of scope (and hence not covered).

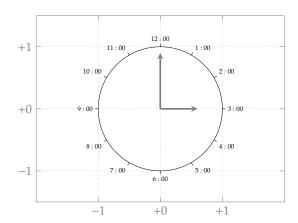
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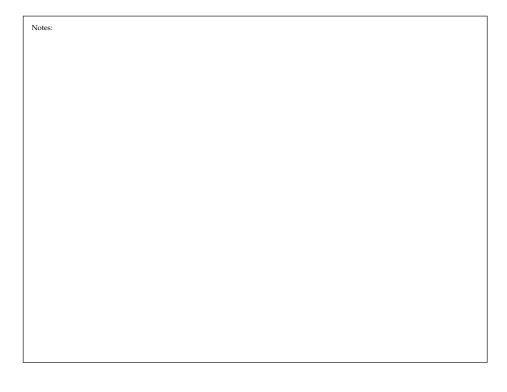
- ► Agenda: explore elliptic curves ~> Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC) via
- 1. an "in theory", i.e., Mathematics-oriented perspective, and 2. an "in practice", i.e., implementation-oriented perspective, with a focus somewhat more on "EC" than "C" throughout!
- ► Caveat!
 - \sim 2 hours \Rightarrow introductory, and (very) selective (versus definitive) coverage.

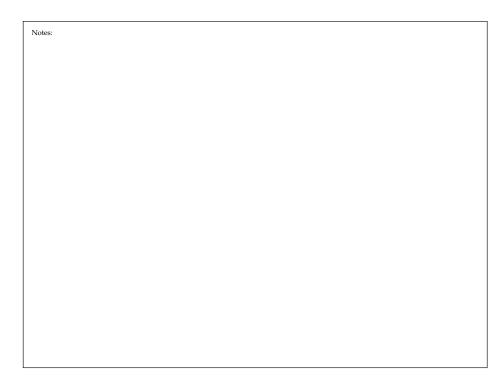
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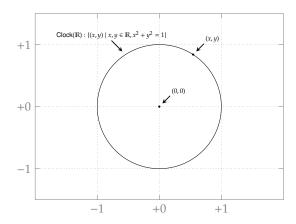






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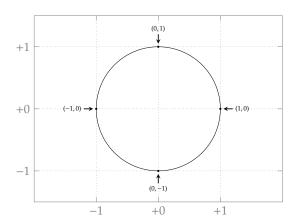
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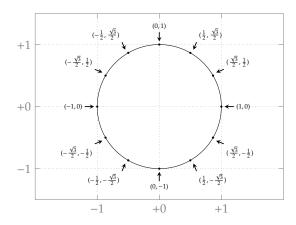
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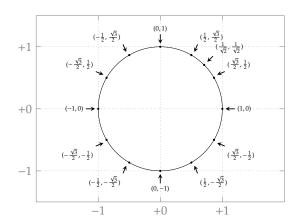
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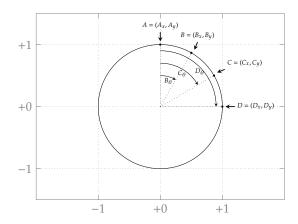
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$$P = (P_x, P_y) = (\sin P_\theta, \cos P_\theta).$$

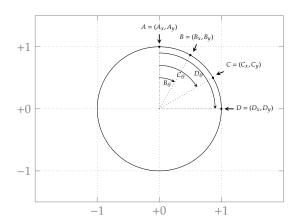
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$$R = (R_x, R_y) = P \oplus Q = (\sin(P_\theta + Q_\theta), \cos(P_\theta + Q_\theta))$$

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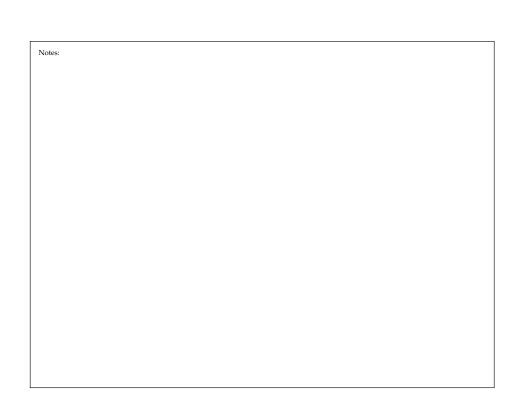
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Example:

"1:00"
$$\oplus$$
 "2:00" = $(\sin 30, \cos 30) \oplus (\sin 60, \cos 60)$
= $(\sin(30 + 60), \cos(30 + 60))$
= $(\sin 90, \cos 90)$
= "3:00"





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 "12:00" = $(\sin 30, \cos 30) \oplus (\sin 0, \cos 0)$
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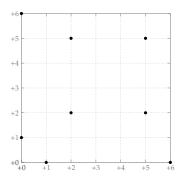
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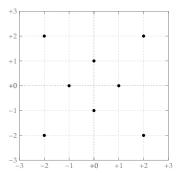
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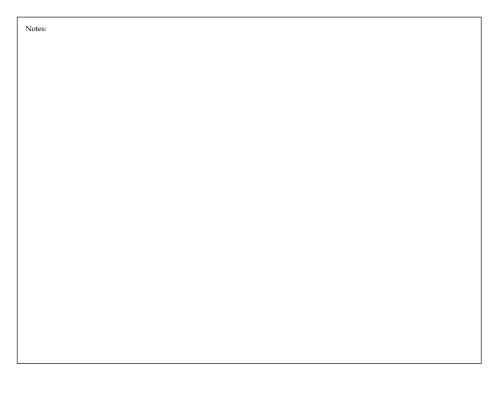
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Example:

$$(0,6) \oplus (1,0) = (0 \times 0 + 6 \times 1, 6 \times 0 + 0 \times 1)$$

= (6,0)

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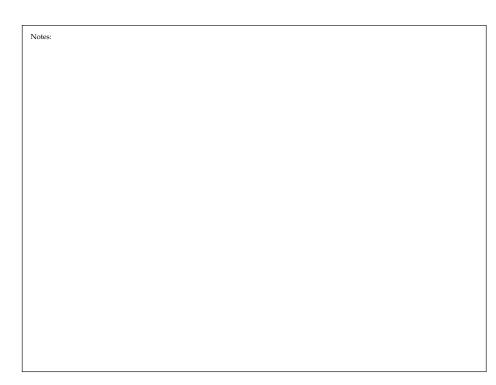
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$$(0,6) \oplus (0,1) = (0 \times 1 + 6 \times 0, 6 \times 1 + 0 \times 0)$$

= $(0,6)$





Part 1: in theory (5) General elliptic curves over K

Definition

1. An **elliptic curve** *E* over the field *K* is defined by the general (or "long") **Weierstraß equation**, namely

$$E: y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6$$

for $a_i \in K$.

2. The *K***-rational** set of points on such an *E* is

$$E(K): \{(x,y) \mid x,y \in K, y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6\} \cup \{O\}$$

i.e., the set of points which satisfy the curve equation plus an extra point at infinity.

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Part 1: in theory (6) General elliptic curves over *K*

Definition

For a given curve *E*, if

$$\begin{array}{llll} b_2 & = & a_1^2 + 4a_2 \\ b_4 & = & a_1a_3 + 2a_4 \\ b_6 & = & a_3^2 + 4a_6 \\ b_8 & = & a_1^2a_6 + 4a_2a_6 - a_1a_3a_4 + a_2a_3^2 - a_4^2 \\ c_4 & = & b_2^2 - 24b_4 \\ c_6 & = & -b_3^2 + 36b_2b_4 - 216b_6 \end{array}$$

then we can define

1. the **discriminant** of *E* as

$$\Delta = -b_2^2 b_8 - 8b_4^3 - 27b_6^2 + 9b_2 b_4 b_6$$

and

2. the **j-invariant** of *E* as

$$j(E) = c_4^3/\Delta$$
.

► Translation:

- The discriminant roughly tells us the *shape* of the curve; we can avoid **singular** curves, i.e., curves with "cusps", by avoiding those where $\Delta = 0$.
- The j-invariant roughly tells us the *family* of the curve; if for curves E and E' over K we have j(E) = j(E'), then the curves are **isomorphic**.

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Definition

Given

$$P = (P_x, P_y) \in E(K)$$

and

$$P' = (P'_x, P'_y) \in E'(K)$$

then *E* and *E'* are **isomorphic** iff. there exist constants $r, s, t \in K$ and $u \in K^{\times}$ such that

$$\begin{array}{rcl} P_x & = & u^2 P'_x + r \\ P_y & = & u^3 P'_y + s u^2 P'_x + t \end{array}$$

maps P' into P, i.e, transforms E' into E (and vice versa).

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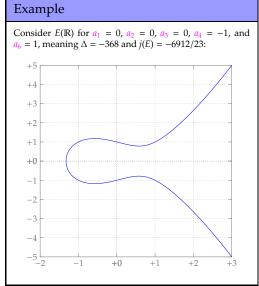
- ▶ If two curves *E* and *E'* over *K* are isomorphic, a bi-rational mapping exists between them (which preserves the point at infinity).
- This is much less complicated than it looks: the mapping is effectively just an admissible (i.e., sane) change of variables.

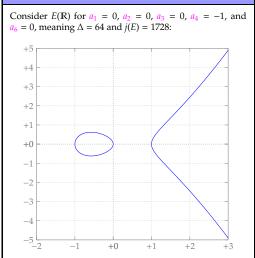
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Example

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Part 1: in theory (8) General elliptic curves over *K*







Part 1: in theory (9) General elliptic curves over *K*

Definition

Provided K is algebraically closed, a line drawn through two K-rational points P and Q will always intersect E at a third K-rational point T. The elliptic curve group law states that

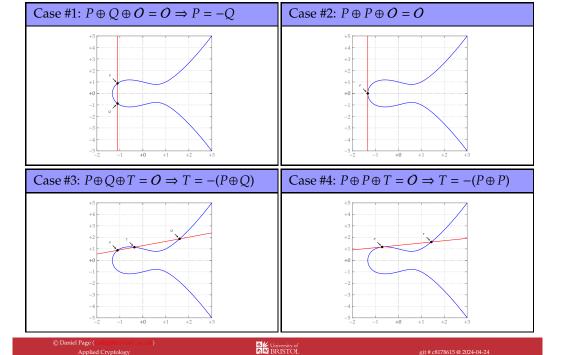
$$P \oplus Q \oplus T = O$$

i.e., the sum of the three points of intersection is O.

- ▶ Idea: the **chord-tangent** (or **line-tangent**) process affords a group operation:
 - Consider $P, Q \in E(K)$:
 - if P ≠ Q then a line drawn between them will intersect E at T,
 if P = Q then a line drawn between them is a tangent to E.
 - ► The group operation is then just geometry:
 - draw a line between *P* and *Q*, let *T* be the third point of intersection on *E*, then
 draw a line between *T* and *O*, let *R* = *P* ⊕ *Q* be the third point of intersection on *E*.

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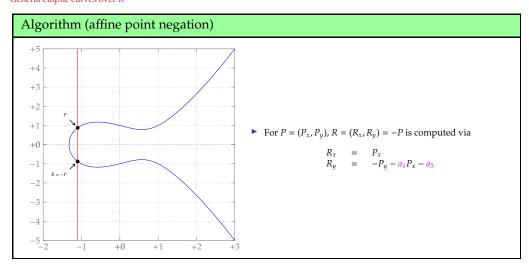
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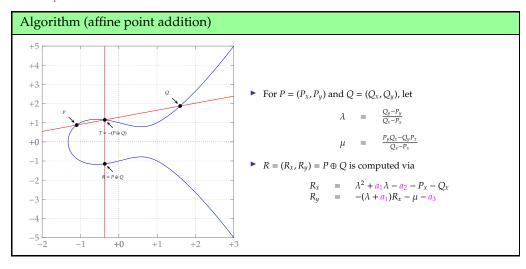


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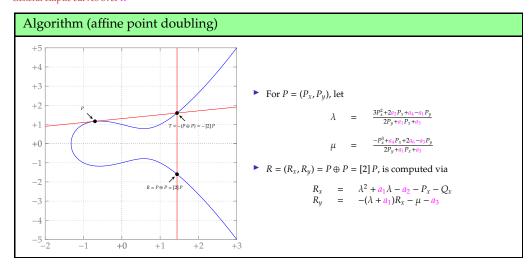
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Part 1: in theory (14) Cryptographic elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_q

► Concept: cryptographic use-cases set

$$K = \mathbb{F}_q$$

i.e., use elliptic curves over a finite field such as

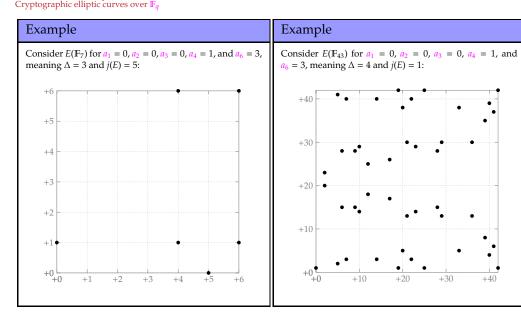
- 1. q = p \Rightarrow large prime characteristic field \mathbb{F}_p
- 2. $q = 2^m \Rightarrow$ characteristic two (or binary extension) field \mathbb{F}_{2^m}

meaning we can

- 1. specialise the long Weierstraß equation and hence the related group operation,
- 2. represent, and compute with, group elements efficiently, and
- 3. reason more directly about security of such curves.

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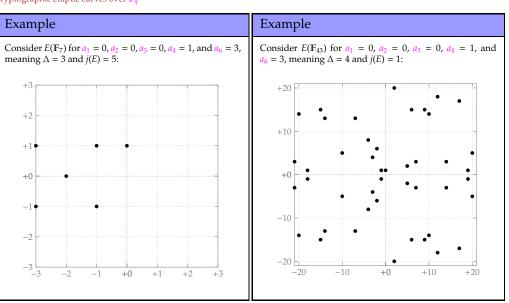


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Part 1: in theory (15) Cryptographic elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_q





Algorithm (specialisation for q = p)

1. Specialise the Weierstraß equation to

$$E: y^2 = x^3 + a_4 x + a_6.$$

2. Given $P = (P_x, P_y)$, to compute

$$R = (R_x, R_y) = -P$$

we set

$$R_x = P_x$$

$$R_y = -P_y$$

3. Given $P = (P_x, P_y)$ and $Q = (Q_x, Q_y)$, to compute

$$R = (R_x, R_y) = P \oplus Q$$

we set

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{Q_y - P_y}{Q_x - P_x} & \text{if } P \neq Q \\ \frac{3P_x^2 + a_4}{2P_y} & \text{if } P = Q \end{cases}$$

then

$$R_x = \lambda^2 - P_x - Q_x$$

$$R_y = \lambda(P_x - R_x) - P_y$$

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Part 1: in theory (16) Cryptographic elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_q

Algorithm (specialisation for $q = 2^m$)

1. Specialise the Weierstraß equation to

$$E: y^2 + xy = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_6.$$

2. Given $P = (P_x, P_y)$, to compute

$$R = (R_x, R_y) = -P$$

we set

$$R_x = P_x$$

$$R_y = P_y + P_x$$

3. Given $P = (P_x, P_y)$ and $Q = (Q_x, Q_y)$, to compute

$$R=(R_x,R_y)=P\oplus Q$$

we set

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{Q_y + P_y}{Q_x + P_x} & \text{if } P \neq Q \\ \frac{P_x^2 + P_y}{P} & \text{if } P = Q \end{cases}$$

then

$$R_x = \lambda^2 + \lambda + a_2 + P_x + Q_x$$

$$R_y = \lambda(P_x + R_x) + R_x + P_y$$

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Part 1: in theory (17)

Cryptographic elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_q

Example

Let $K = \mathbb{F}_7$, and consider E(K) for $a_1 = 0$, $a_2 = 0$, $a_3 = 0$, $a_4 = 1$, and $a_6 = 3$, such that

$$E(K) = \{O, (4, 1), (4, 6), (5, 0), (6, 1), (6, 6)\}$$

and hence |E(K)| = 6. If $P = (P_x, P_y) = (4, 1)$ and $Q = (Q_x, Q_y) = (5, 0)$ then $R = (R_x, R_y) = P \oplus Q$ is given by

and in fact we can describe the entire group operation as

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		0	(4, 1)	(4,6)	(5,0)	(6, 1)	(6, 6)
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	(4, 1)	(4, 1)	(6, 6)	0	(6, 1)	(4, 6)	(5, 0)
P	(4, 6)	(4,6)	0	(6, 1)	(6, 6)	(5,0)	(4, 1)
P	(5,0)	(5,0)	(6, 1)	(6, 6)	0	(4, 1)	(4, 6)
	(6, 1)	(6, 1)	(4, 6)	(5,0)	(4, 1)	(6, 6)	0
	(6, 6)	(6,6)	(5,0)	(4, 1)	(4, 6)	0	(6, 1)

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Part 1: in theory (18)

Cryptographic elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_q

Example

Let $K = \mathbb{F}_2[x]/x^2 + x + 1$, and consider E(K) for $a_1 = 1$, $a_2 = 0$, $a_3 = 0$, $a_4 = 0$, and $a_6 = 1$, such that

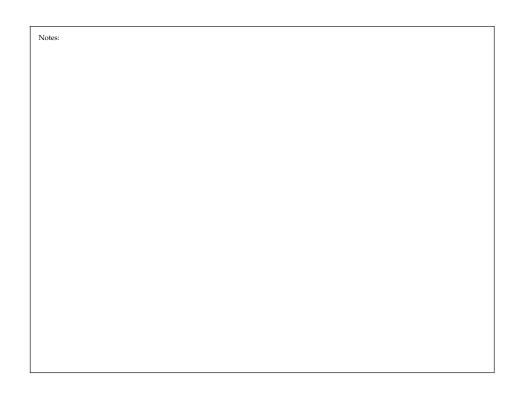
$$E(K) = \{O, (0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 1), (x, 0), (x, x), (x + 1, 0), (x + 1, x + 1)\}$$

and hence |E(K)| = 8. If $P = (P_x, P_y) = (x + 1, 0)$ and $Q = (Q_x, Q_y) = (x, x)$ then $R = (R_x, R_y) = P \oplus Q$ is given by

and in fact we can describe the entire group operation as

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		0	(0,1)	(1,0)	(1,1)	(x, 0)	(x, x)	(x + 1, 0)	(x + 1, x + 1)
	0	0	(0,1)	(1,0)	(1, 1)	(x, 0)	(x, x)	(x + 1, 0)	(x + 1, x + 1)
	(0, 1)	(0,1)	0	(1,1)	(1,0)	(x + 1, 0)	(x + 1, x + 1)	(x, 0)	(x, x)
	(1,0)	(1,0)	(1,1)	(0, 1)	0	(x + 1, x + 1)	(x, 0)	(x, x)	(x + 1, 0)
P	(1, 1)	(1,1)	(1,0)	0	(0, 1)	(x, x)	(x + 1, 0)	(x + 1, x + 1)	(x, 0)
I F	(x, 0)	(x, 0)	(x + 1, 0)	(x + 1, x + 1)	(x, x)	(1,0)	0	(1, 1)	(0,1)
	(x, x)	(x, x)	(x + 1, x + 1)	(x, 0)	(x + 1, 0)	0	(1,1)	(0, 1)	(1,0)
	(x + 1, 0)	(x + 1, 0)	(x, 0)	(x, x)	(x + 1, x + 1)	(1,1)	(0, 1)	(1,0)	0
	(x + 1, x + 1)	(x+1, x+1)	(x, x)	(x + 1, 0)	(x, 0)	(0,1)	(1,0)	0	(1,1)

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Part 1: in theory (19) Cryptographic elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_q



Consider an elliptic curve $E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and points $P \in E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and $Q \in \langle P \rangle$ of order n. Given

$$Q = [l] P$$

 $l \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ is called the **Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm (EC-DL)** of Q to the base P; the corresponding **Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem (EC-DLP)** is to compute *l* given *P* and *Q*, i.e., to compute $l = \log_P Q$.

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Part 1: in theory (19)

Cryptographic elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_q

Definition

Consider an elliptic curve $E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and points $P \in E(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and $Q \in \langle P \rangle$ of order n. Given

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► We're done!

- 1. we can relax notation to $+ \equiv \oplus$, and say we have an additive group $\mathbb{G}^+ = (E(K), +)$,
- 2. we can define scalar multiplication as

$$Q = [l]P$$

i.e.,

$$Q = \underbrace{P + P + \dots + P}_{,},$$

total of *l* terms

and

- 3. doing so allows us to pose a (EC-)DLP such that

 - given P and l, it is easy to compute Q, but
 given P and Q, it is hard to compute l (on a suitable curve)

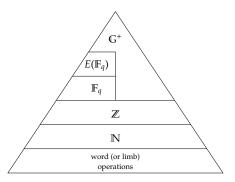
and thus use it in a group-based scheme.

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Part 2: in practice (1)

► Challenge:

▶ given a functionality "stack", i.e.,



bridge gap between what we have (bottom) and want (top),

▶ an **implementation strategy** for doing so must consider many

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    goals : parameter set, functionality,
    metrics : latency, throughput, memory footprint,
    constraints : hardware versus software, data-path width,
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Part 2: in practice (2)

▶ Motivation: (simplified) comparison of DSA [5, Section 4] and EC-DSA [5, Section 6]

```
1 DSA.ParamGen begin 1 EC-DSA.ParamGen begin 2 generate a prime q 2 generate a prime p such that q \mid p-1 3 generate a G^{\times} = \mathbb{F}_q = \langle g \rangle of order q 4 generate a G^{+} = E(\mathbb{F}_q) = \langle G \rangle of order q 5 end 5 end
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raises the question of where/why the latter offers an advantage.

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Part 2: in practice (2)

▶ Motivation: (simplified) comparison of DSA [5, Section 4] and EC-DSA [5, Section 6]

```
1 DSA.KEYGEN begin

2 | select x \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{1, 2, ..., q-1\}

3 | compute y = g^x \pmod{p}

4 | return (x, y)

5 | end | EC-DSA.KEYGEN begin

2 | select l \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{1, 2, ..., n-1\}

3 | compute Q = [l]G

return (l, Q)
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raises the question of where/why the latter offers an advantage.

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Part 2: in practice (2)

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```
1 DSA.Sign begin
2 select k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{1,2,\ldots,q-1\}
3 compute h = H(m)
4 compute r = (g^k \bmod p) \bmod q
5 end
5 compute s = (k^{-1} \cdot (h+r \cdot x)) \bmod q
5 end
5 DSA.Sign begin
5 select k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{1,2,\ldots,n-1\}
6 compute h = LSB_{|n|}(H(m))
7 end
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7 end
6 compute h = LSB_{|n|}(H(m))
7 end
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raises the question of where/why the latter offers an advantage.

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Part 2: in practice (2)

▶ Motivation: (simplified) comparison of DSA [5, Section 4] and EC-DSA [5, Section 6]

```
1 DSA.VERIFY begin

2 return false if 0 \not< r, s or r, s \not< n
2 compute h = H(m)
3 compute u_1 = h \cdot s^{-1} \mod q
4 compute u_2 = r \cdot s^{-1} \mod q
5 compute u_2 = r \cdot s^{-1} \mod q
6 compute u_2 = r \cdot s^{-1} \mod q
7 return false if r \ne v, else return true

8 end

EC-DSA.VERIFY begin

return false if 0 \not< r, s or r, s \not< n
compute 0 \not> r, s or r, s \not< n
compute 0 \not> r, s or 0
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raises the question of where/why the latter offers an advantage.

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Part 2: in practice (3) Field parameters

► Idea: per ENISA [6, Table 3.6], e.g.,

Primitive	Parameter		Recommenda	tion
		Legacy	Near-term	Long-term
AES	$\log_2 k$	80	128	256
RSA	$\log_2 N$	1024	3072	15360
DLP	$\log_2 q$ (sub-group) $\log_2 p$ (group)	160	256	512
DLI	$\log_2 p$ (group)	1024	3072	15360
EC-DLP	$\log_2 p$	160	256	512

EC-based groups can use a p which is

- 1. short, and
- 2. special-form.

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Part 2: in practice (4) Field parameters

Algorithm (NIST-P-256-Reduce, per Solinas [4, Example 3, Page 20])

Input: For w = 32-bit words, a 16-word integer product $z = x \cdot y$ and the modulus $p = 2^{256} - 2^{224} + 2^{192} + 2^{96} - 1$ **Output:** The result $r = z \pmod{p}$

1. Form the nine, 8-word intermediate variables

2. Compute

$$r = S_0 + 2S_1 + 2S_2 + S_3 + S_4 - S_5 - S_6 - S_7 - S_8 \pmod{p}$$
.

3. Return $0 \le r < p$.

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Part 2: in practice (5) Field parameters

Example

Given $p = 2^{256} - 2^{224} + 2^{192} + 2^{96} - 1$, we have, for example, that

$$2^{256} \equiv 2^{224} - 2^{192} - 2^{96} + 1 \pmod{p}.$$

Now, given

$$x \cdot y = z = \sum_{i=0}^{i<16} z_i \cdot 2^{32 \cdot i},$$

we can rewrite

$$z_8 \cdot 2^{256} \ \equiv \ z_8 \cdot 2^{224} - z_8 \cdot 2^{192} - z_8 \cdot 2^{96} + z_8 \cdot 1.$$

Keeping in mind that we compute

$$r = x \cdot y \pmod{p} = S_0 + 2S_1 + 2S_2 + S_3 + S_4 - S_5 - S_6 - S_7 - S_8 \pmod{p},$$

 z_8 is identifiable at the right place(s) in

such that we add and/or subtract the right multiple(s).

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Part 2: in practice (6) Curve arithmetic

► Concept: for $x, y \in \mathbb{F}_q$, imagine we denote the efficiency of field operations as

to support evaluation of the group operation.

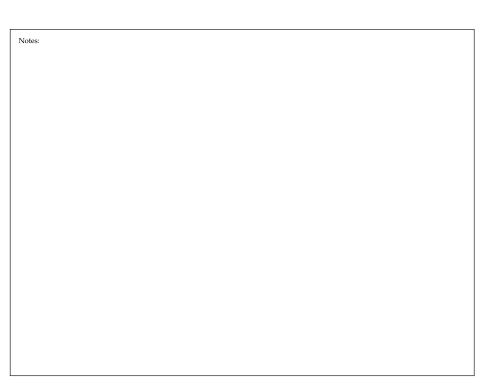


Part 2: in practice (7) Curve arithmetic: projective representation

► Idea: somewhat *in* formally,

affine points
$$\simeq$$
 2D points \Rightarrow $P = (P_x, P_y) \in \mathbb{A}(K)$
projective points \simeq 3D points \Rightarrow $P = (P_x, P_y, P_z) \in \mathbb{P}(K)$



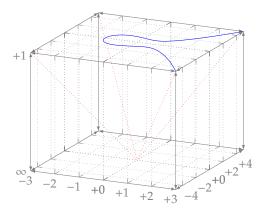


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i.e., the latter means



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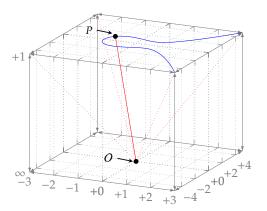
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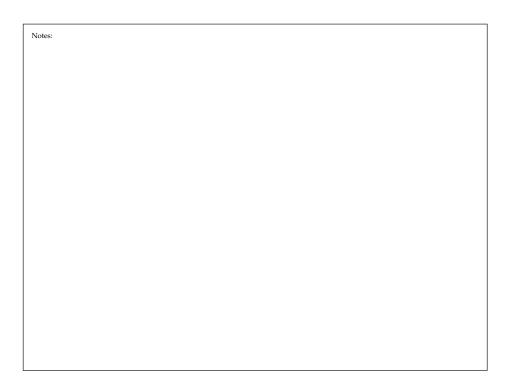
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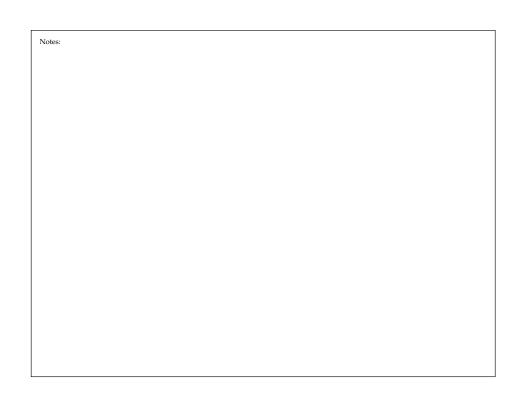
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i.e., the latter means







Part 2: in practice (7) Curve arithmetic: projective representation

- ► Idea: somewhat formally,

 - Let K be a field, and c, d ∈ Z such that c, d > 0.
 One can define an equivalence relation ~ on the set

$$K^3 \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}$$

by

$$(P_x, P_y, P_z) \sim (Q_x, Q_y, Q_z)$$

iff.

$$P_x = \lambda^c Q_x$$

$$P_y = \lambda^d Q_y$$

$$P_z = \lambda Q_z$$

for some $\lambda \in K^*$.

► The equivalence class containing

is

$$(x:y:z) = \{(\lambda^c x, \lambda^d y, \lambda z) \mid \lambda \in K^*\}$$

where (x, y, z) is a *representative* of the projective point (x : y : z).

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Part 2: in practice (8)
Curve arithmetic: projective representation

Definition

Let $K = \mathbb{F}_p$. The so-called **Jacobian projective representation** for points on $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$ sets c = 2 and d = 3, then alters the Weierstraß equation

$$E: y^2 = x^3 + a_4 x z^4 + a_6 z^6.$$

This means the K-rational set of points on E is now

$$E(\mathbb{F}_p): \{(x,y,z) \mid x,y,z \in \mathbb{F}_p, y^2 = x^3 + a_4xz^4 + a_6z^6\} \cup \{O\},\$$

with O = (1:1:0) and

$$(x,y) \in \mathbb{A}(\mathbb{F}_p) \longleftrightarrow (\lambda^2 x, \lambda^3 y, \lambda) \in \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{F}_p)$$

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Part 2: in practice (9) Curve arithmetic: projective representation

Algorithm (affine addition)	Algorithm (affine doubling)
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$\overline{5\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{F}_p} + 1\mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{F}_p} + 2\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{F}_p} + 1\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{F}_p}}$	$8\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{F}_p} + 2\mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{F}_p} + 2\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{F}_p} + 1\mathcal{I}_{\mathbf{F}_p}$

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Part 2: in practice (10)
Curve arithmetic: projective representation

Algorithm (projective addition [2])	Algorithm (projective doubling [2])
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$\overline{7\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 4\mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 12\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 0I_{\mathbb{F}_p}}$	$17\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 8\mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 2\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 0\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$

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Part 2: in practice (11) Curve arithmetic: projective representation

► Idea: a comparison

	$\mathbb{A}(K)$ (affine)	$\mathbb{P}(K)$ (Jacobian projective)
Negation	$1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$	$1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$
Addition	$5\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 1\mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 2\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 1\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$	$7\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_{v}} + 4\mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{F}_{v}} + 12\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_{v}}$
Doubling	$8\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 2\mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 2\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 1\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$	$17\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}^{'} + 8\mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{F}_p}^{'} + 2\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}^{'}$
$\mathbb{A}(K) \mapsto \mathbb{P}(K)$ conversion		$1S_{\mathbb{F}_v} + 3\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$
$\mathbb{P}(K) \mapsto \mathbb{A}(K)$ conversion		$1S_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 3M_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 1I_{\mathbb{F}_p}$

shows that

- we've basically traded less (i.e., no) inversions for more multiplications, meaning
- if (roughly) $I_{\mathbb{F}_p} > 10 \mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$, the Jacobian projective representation will be more efficient, *iff*.
- we minimise the number (and hence overhead) of conversions.

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Part 2: in practice (12)
Curve arithmetic: unified/complete point operations

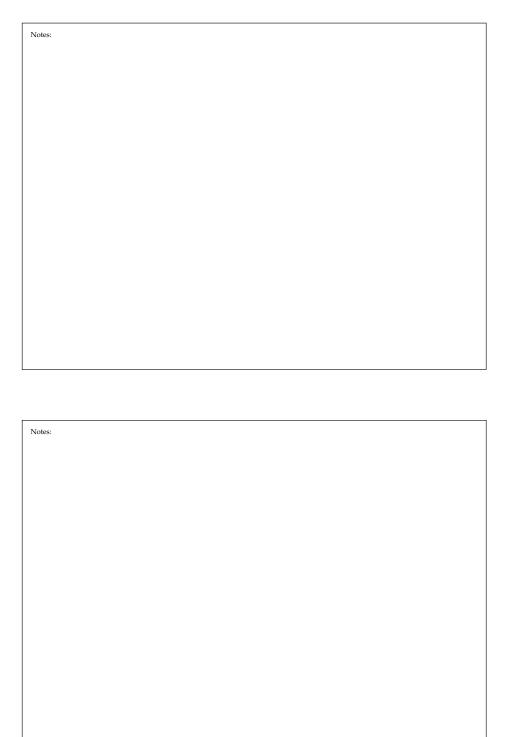
- ► Idea: our point arithmetic *ideally*
 - 1. **unified** $\Rightarrow \forall P, Add(P, P) = Dbl(P) = P + P = [2] P$
 - complete $\Rightarrow \forall P, Q, Add(P, Q) = P + Q, \forall P, Dbl(P) = P + P = [2] P$

such that

$$\begin{array}{llll} \mathrm{DBL}(O) & = & O \\ \mathrm{Add}(O,O) & = & O \\ \mathrm{Add}(P,O) & = & P \\ \mathrm{Add}(O,Q) & = & Q \\ \mathrm{Add}(P,P) & = & [2]P \end{array}$$

but those we've looked at (clearly) aren't ...

• ... an implementation needs a set of special-cases to deal with each of the above.







Part 2: in practice (13)
Curve arithmetic: unified/complete point operations

Algorithm (complete projective addition [3, Algorithm 1]) $\lambda_0 \leftarrow P_x \cdot Q_x$ $\lambda_1 \leftarrow P_y \cdot Q_y$ $\lambda_2 \leftarrow P_z \cdot Q_z$ $R_z \leftarrow R_x + R_z$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $R_x \leftarrow \lambda_1 - R_z$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $R_z \leftarrow \lambda_1 + R_z$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_3 \leftarrow P_x + P_y$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ $R_y \leftarrow R_x \cdot R_z$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_4 \leftarrow Q_x + Q_y$ $\lambda_1 \leftarrow \lambda_0 + \tilde{\lambda_0}$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_{v}}$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_{v}}$ $\lambda_3 \leftarrow \lambda_3 \cdot \lambda_4$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_1 \leftarrow \lambda_1 + \lambda_0$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_2 \leftarrow a_4 \cdot \lambda_2$ $\lambda_4 \leftarrow 3 \cdot a_6 \cdot \lambda_4$ $\lambda_4 \leftarrow \lambda_0 + \lambda_1$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_3 \leftarrow \lambda_3 - \lambda_4$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_{v}}$ $\lambda_4 \leftarrow P_x + P_z$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_1 \leftarrow \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_5 \leftarrow Q_x + Q_z$ $\lambda_2 \leftarrow \lambda_0 - \lambda_2$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_4 \leftarrow \lambda_4 \cdot \lambda_5$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_2 \leftarrow a_4 \cdot \lambda_2$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_5 \leftarrow \lambda_0 + \lambda_2$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_4 \leftarrow \lambda_4 + \lambda_2$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_4 \leftarrow \lambda_4 - \lambda_5$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ $\lambda_0 \leftarrow \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_4$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ $\lambda_5 \leftarrow P_y + P_z$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $R_y \leftarrow R_y + \lambda_0$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_n}$ $R_x \leftarrow Q_y + Q_z$ $\lambda_5 \leftarrow \lambda_5 \cdot R_x$ $R_x \leftarrow \lambda_3 \cdot R_x$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_0 \leftarrow \lambda_5 \cdot \lambda_4$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $R_x \leftarrow \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ $R_x \leftarrow R_x - \lambda_0$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ $\lambda_5 \leftarrow \lambda_5 - R_x$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $\lambda_0 \leftarrow \lambda_3 \cdot \lambda_1$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $R_z \leftarrow \lambda_5 \cdot R_z$ $R_z \leftarrow R_z + \lambda_0$ $R_z \leftarrow a_4 \cdot \lambda_4$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p}$ $R_r \leftarrow 3 \cdot a_6 \cdot \lambda_2$ $1\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ $1\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ $23\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 0\mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 17\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{F}_p} + 0I_{\mathbb{F}_p}$

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Example:

▶ In performing a Jacobian projective point doubling, we compute

$$3P_x^2 + P_z^4 a_4$$
.

▶ By selecting $a_4 = -3$, we can calculate this term as

$$3(P_x - P_z^2)(P_x + P_z^2)$$

which is saves $2S_{\mathbb{F}_n}$.

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Algorithm (1Mul-L2R-Binary)

```
Input: A group element x \in G^+, a base-2 integer 0 \le y < n Output: The group element r = [y] x \in G^+

1 r \leftarrow 0
2 for i = |y| - 1 downto 0 step -1 do

3 r \leftarrow [2] r
4 if y_i = 1 then
5 r \leftarrow r + x
6 end
7 end
8 return r
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Definition

A **Non-Adjacent Form (NAF)** of some positive integer *y* is

$$\hat{y} = \langle \hat{y}_0, \hat{y}_1, \dots, \hat{y}_{n-1} \rangle$$
 $\mapsto y$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \hat{y}_i \cdot 2^i$$

such that $\hat{y}_i \in \{-1, 0, +1\}$, and two specific conditions hold:

- 1. the most-significant digit of \hat{y} is non-zero, i.e., $\hat{y}_{n-1} \neq 0$
- 2. no two consequtive digits in \hat{y} are non-zero, i.e., if $\hat{y}_i \neq 0$ then either $\hat{y}_{i+1} = 0$ and/or $\hat{y}_{i-1} = 0$.

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Algorithm (Recode-NAF)

```
Input: An integer y
Output: A sequence y' which is the NAF representation of y

1 y' \leftarrow \emptyset, i \leftarrow 0
2 while y \ge 1 do
3 if y \equiv 1 \pmod 2 then
4 y'_i \leftarrow 2 - (y \mod 4), y \leftarrow y - y'_i
5 else
6 y'_i \leftarrow 0
end
8 y \leftarrow \lfloor y/2 \rfloor, i \leftarrow i + 1
9 end
10 return y'
```

Algorithm (1Mul-L2R-NAF)

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Input: A group element x \in G^+, a base-2 integer 0 \le y < n
Output: The group element r = [y] x \in G^+

1  y' \leftarrow \text{Recode-NAF}(y)
2  r \leftarrow 0
3  for i = |y'| - 1 downto 0 step -1 do
4  |r \leftarrow [2] r
5  |\text{if } y_i' = +1 then
6  |r \leftarrow r + x
else if y_i' = -1 then
8  |r \leftarrow r - x
end
10 end
11 return r
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Conclusions

► Take away points: you can often simple *use*

$$Q = [k] P \in E(\mathbb{F}_q),$$

but understanding internals of this primitive can be useful and/or important.

- some historically interesting aspects; some "portable" concepts,
- close relationship between primitive and underlying Mathematics,
- wide range of viable implementation strategies,
- extensive deployment, in various contexts and use-cases.

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