

IV054 Coding, Cryptography and Cryptographic Protocols  
2019 - Exercises VIII.

1. (3 points)

- (a) How many points are there on the elliptic curve  $E : y^2 = x^3 + 5x + 4$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{11}$ ?
- (b) What is the order of point  $P = (10, 3)$ ?
- (c) How can we easily say that some point on  $E$  has order 2?

2. (3 points)

- (a) Use Pollard's  $\rho$ -method (both version 1 and version 2) to factorize 3551, starting with  $x_0 = 2$  and using pseudo-random function  $x_{i+1} = x_i^2 + 3 \pmod{3551}$ .
- (b) Use Pollard's  $p - 1$  method to factorize 178297. Use  $B = 23$ ,  $a = 2$ .

3. (3 points) Sign your UČO with the following algorithm:

- (a) Hash your UČO using a hash function  $h(x) = 5^x \pmod{1033}$  and label the result  $h$ .
- (b) Sign  $h$  with an elliptic curve variant of the ElGamal signature scheme with

$$E : y^2 = x^3 + 3x + 983 \pmod{997},$$

public points  $P = (325, 345)$ ,  $Q = xP = (879, 211)$  and secret key  $x = 140$ . Use random component  $r = 339$ . Note that order of  $P$  in  $E$  is 1034.

4. (4 points) Find two elliptic curves over  $\mathbb{F}_5$  with 8 points but with a different group structure.

5. (2 points) Consider an elliptic curve  $E : y^2 = x^3 + 8$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $E$  does not have multiple roots. Algebraically determine the number of roots  $E$  has.

6. (4 points) Is there a non-singular elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}$  having:

- (a) 5 points;
- (b) 6 points;
- (c) 14 points;
- (d) 19 points.

all including the point in infinity  $\mathcal{O}$ . If there exists such curve, find it and list its points. Otherwise, prove that such an elliptic curve cannot exist.

7. (3 points) Show that  $42 \mid n^7 - n$  for all integers  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

8. (4 points) Recall the definition of a Fermat number:

$$F_n = 2^{2^n} + 1$$

where  $n$  is a non-negative integer. Prove the following claims:

- (a) For  $n \geq 1$ ,  $F_n = F_0 \cdots F_{n-1} + 2$ .
- (b) For  $n \geq 2$ , the last digit of  $F_n$  is 7.
- (c) No Fermat number is a perfect square.
- (d) Every Fermat number  $F_n$  for  $n \geq 1$  has the form  $6m - 1$  for an integer  $m > 0$ .

9. (4 points) Consider the following cryptosystem using a non-singular elliptic curve  $E_p$  for a prime  $p$  with  $n$  points, secret key  $d < n$  and public key  $(P, Q)$ , where  $P, Q$  are two points on  $E_p$  with  $Q = dP$ .

To encrypt a message  $m = (m_1, m_2)$ ,  $1 \leq m_1, m_2 < p$ , pick a random integer  $1 \leq k < n$  and compute  $R = kP$ ,  $y_1 = c_1 m_1 \pmod{p}$  and  $y_2 = c_2 m_2 \pmod{p}$  where  $(c_1, c_2) = kQ$ .

The encrypted message is then  $(R, y_1, y_2)$ .

Find and describe the decryption procedure.