

**Directions:** Solve the following problems. All written work must be your own. See the course syllabus for detailed rules.

1. Alice and Bob wish to share a secret using Elliptic Curve-based Diffie–Hellman. They agree on the curve  $E$  given by  $y^2 = x^3 + 14x + 2$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{31}$  and the base element  $g = (12, 10)$ .
  - (a) Bob picks  $b = 10$  as his private exponent. What should Bob send to Alice?
  - (b) Alice sends  $A = (18, 17)$  to Bob. Compute Alice and Bob’s shared secret.
  - (c) **[Challenge (optional)]** Find Alice’s private exponent  $a$ . In other words, find  $a$  such that  $g^a = A$ . This is an instance of the Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem (ECDLP).
2. *Programming with elliptic curves.* In the following, we write code to multiply points and compute powers of points in the elliptic curve group  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , where  $p$  is prime and  $E$  is given by  $y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B$ . We assume that  $B \neq 0$  so that we may represent the identity element in  $E$  as the special pair  $(0, 0)$ .
  - (a) Write code for a function `ec_mult(p, A, B, x1, y1, x2, y2)` that multiplies the points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  in the elliptic curve group  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , where  $E$  is given by  $y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B$ . Be sure to handle the cases where the inputs or output are the identity point. For example, `ec_mult(p, A, B, x1, y1, 0, 0)` should return  $(x_1, y_1)$  (modulo  $p$ ) and `ec_mult(p, A, B, x, y, x, -y)` should return  $(0, 0)$ . Submit your code.
  - (b) Implement the fast power algorithm in a routine `ec_fast_power(p, A, B, x, y, n)` that computes  $(x, y)^n$  where within the elliptic curve group  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . Submit your code.
3. Alice and Bob use Elliptic Curve ElGamal to send an encrypted message. They use the curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ , where  $p = 942857$  and  $E$  is given by  $y^2 = x^3 + 152654x + 95765$ . They agree to use base point  $g = (395876, 217218)$ , which happens to have prime order  $q = 470749$  in  $E$ .
  - (a) Check your code from problem #2 by verifying the following:
    - i.  $g^{500} = (485216, 167677)$
    - ii.  $g^q = (0, 0)$ , our representation for the identity element in  $E$ , and
    - iii.  $g^{q+1} = g$ .
  - (b) Alice selects  $a = 199481$  as her secret exponent. What should Alice send to Bob?
  - (c) Bob wants to send the message  $m = (358621, 245390)$  to Alice. He picks random element  $k = 304364$ . What is the corresponding ciphertext  $(c_1, c_2)$  that he should send to Alice?
  - (d) Later, Alice receives a second encrypted message  $(c_1, c_2)$  from Bob, where  $c_1 = (21125, 331345)$  and  $c_2 = (448432, 307568)$ . Decrypt the message.