

Elliptic Curves (Part 2, ISOGENIES)

- Last Session (review and complement)

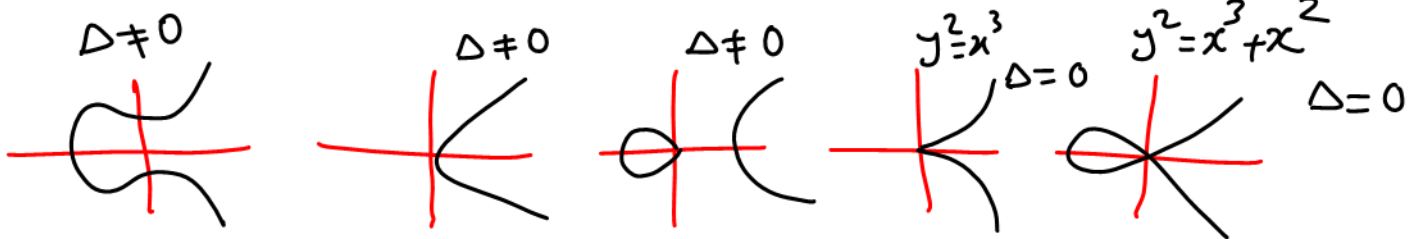
Weierstrass Equation E/K :
 (coeff of W.E. $\in K$)

$$\begin{cases} E: y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6 & \text{general} \\ E: y^2 = 4x^3 + b_2x^2 + b_4x + b_6 & \text{char}(K) \neq 2 \\ E: y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B & \text{char}(K) \neq 2, 3 \end{cases}$$

Δ_E, j_E

- E is nonsingular iff $\Delta_E \neq 0$

- Every nonsingular W.E./ K defines an E.C./ K and vice versa.



- If E.C./ K (W.E./ K), then we can think about

K -points (K -rational points), or more generally L -points

for any field extension L/K :

$$E(L) = \left\{ (x, y) \in L \text{ s.t. } y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6 \right\} \cup \{\infty\}$$

(When we just write E , we mean $E(\bar{K})$)

- for $K \subseteq L \subseteq M$ and E/K , we have: $E(L) \otimes_L M \subseteq E(M)$

This is called "base change".

$$E/\mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \begin{cases} E_i / \mathbb{F}_{p_i} \\ E_\infty / \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$$

- For a curve C/K , a divisor D is defined as a formal sum

$$D = \sum_{P \in C} n_P \cdot P \quad \text{where } n_P = 0 \text{ for almost all } P \in C$$

$$\text{If } D_1 = \sum_{P \in C} n_P \cdot P \text{ and } D_2 = \sum_{P \in C} m_P \cdot P, \quad D_1 + D_2 := \sum (n_P + m_P) \cdot P$$

Consider the set of all divisors of C with $\text{Div}(C)$.

Then $\text{Div}(C)$ is an abelian group.

for $D = \sum n_P \cdot P$, we define degree D as $\deg(D) = \sum n_P$.

If D_1, D_2 are degree-zero divisors, then so is $D_1 + D_2$.

So, the set of degree-zero divisors, $\text{Div}^0(C)$, form a subgroup of $\text{Div}(C)$.

For a irreducible curve C/K , the function field of it defines as

$$\text{frac}\left(\frac{K[X]}{I}\right) \text{ where } I \text{ is the ideal generated by the equations that define } C. \text{ For example, for an elliptic curve } E/K,$$

$\xrightarrow{\quad} = \text{frac}(K[C]) = K(C)$
coordinate ring

For example, for an elliptic curve E/K ,

$$K(E) = \text{frac} \left[\frac{K[x, y]}{\langle y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y - x^3 - a_2x^2 - a_4x - a_6 \rangle} \right] = \text{frac} [K(E)]$$

The elements of $K(C)$ are called (rational) functions on C . For $f \in K(C)^\times$, the divisor of f is defined as

$$\text{div}(f) := \sum_{P \in C} \underbrace{\text{ord}_P(f)}_{\text{the order of vanishing of } f \text{ at } P} \cdot P.$$

Note that $\text{div}(f)$ is of degree zero for all $f \in K(C)^\times$.

$$\text{So, } K^\times \hookrightarrow K(C)^\times \hookrightarrow \text{Div}^0(C) \hookrightarrow \text{Div}(C)$$

A divisor $D \in \text{Div}(C)$ is called a principal divisor if

$$\exists f \in K(C)^\times \text{ s.t. } D = \text{div}(f)$$

$$\text{We define } \text{Pic}(C) := \frac{\text{Div}(C)}{\text{Princ. Div}(C)} \quad \& \quad \text{Pic}^0(C) = \frac{\text{Div}^0(C)}{\text{Princ. Div}(C)}$$

$$\text{Princ. Div}(C) = \frac{K(C)^\times}{K^\times}$$

geometric group law \longleftrightarrow algebraic group law

For an E.C. E , we have an isomorphism $E \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Pic}^0(E)$.

$$P \mapsto [(P) - (O_E)]$$

For an elliptic curve E/K , we have:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \circ & \longrightarrow & \bar{K}^\times & \longrightarrow & \bar{K}(E)^\times & \longrightarrow & \text{Div}^0(E) \longrightarrow \text{Pic}^0(E) \longrightarrow \circ \\ \downarrow \text{taking Gal. invariant} & & & & & & \\ \circ & \longrightarrow & K^\times & \longrightarrow & K(E) & \longrightarrow & \text{Div}_K^0(E) \longrightarrow \text{Pic}_K^0(E) \longrightarrow \circ \end{array}$$

base change

- Isogenies:

Theorem: For E/K , the maps $+: E \times E \rightarrow E$ & $-: E \rightarrow E$ are morphisms.
 $(P, Q) \mapsto P+Q \quad P \mapsto -P$

Remark: For a map of curves $f: C_1 \rightarrow C_2$, it is constant or surjective.

Def: Let E_1 and E_2 be two E.C.. An isogeny from E_1 to E_2 is a morphism $\psi: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ s.t. $\psi(\mathcal{O}_{E_1}) = \mathcal{O}_{E_2}$.

(some authors restrict their attention to nonconstant maps)

Remark: An isogeny between elliptic curves E_1 and E_2 is a nonconstant

finite map of curves, i.e. $K[E_1]$ is a finitely generated $K[E_2]$ -mod.

(for a map of curves $g: C_1 \rightarrow C_2$ we have map of rings

$g^*: K[C_2] \rightarrow K[C_1]$ and map of fields $g^*: K(C_2) \rightarrow K(C_1)$)

Def: Two E.C./ K E_1, E_2 are called isogenous if there is an isogeny between them.

Def: For the isogeny ψ , $\psi^*: \bar{K}(E_2) \rightarrow \bar{K}(E_1)$ is injective.

The degree of ψ , $\deg(\psi)$, is the degree of the finite extension

$$\frac{\bar{K}(E_1)}{\psi^* \bar{K}(E_2)} \quad \left(\frac{\bar{K}(E_1)}{\bar{K}(E_2)} \right) ; \text{ and similarly for}$$

the sep. and insep. degree,
 $\underbrace{\deg \psi}_s$ $\underbrace{\deg \psi}_i$

Notation:

$$\text{Hom}(E_1, E_2) = \{E_1 \xrightarrow{\text{isogeny}} E_2\} \rightsquigarrow (\psi + \psi')(P) = \psi(P) + \psi'(P)$$

$$\text{If } E_1 = E_2 = E \rightsquigarrow \text{End}(E) = \text{Hom}(E, E) \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} (\psi + \psi')(P) = \psi(P) + \psi'(P) \\ (\psi \psi')(P) = \psi(\psi'(P)) \end{cases}$$

The invertible elements of $\text{End}(E)$ form the automorphism group of E , denoted by $\text{Aut}(E)$.

Remark: If E_1 and E_2 are defined $/K$, we can

restrict our attention to those isogenies defined $/K$, denoted

by $\text{Hom}_K(E_1, E_2)$, $\text{End}_K(E)$, $\text{Aut}_K(E)$.

Example: for each $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, we define the

multiplication-by- m isogeny $[m]: E \rightarrow E$ as follows:

$$\text{for } m > 0, [m](P) = \underbrace{P + \dots + P}_{m \text{ times}}, \text{ for } m = 0, [0](P) = \mathcal{O}_E$$

for $m < 0$, $[m](P) = [-m](-P) = \underbrace{-P - P - \dots - P}_{m \text{ times}}$

Note that if E is defined \overline{K} , then so is $[m]$.

Theorem: (a) Let E/\overline{K} be an E.C. and let $0 \neq m \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then multiplication-by- m map $[m]: E \rightarrow E$ is nonconstant.

(b) $\text{Hom}_{\overline{K}}(E_1, E_2)$ is a torsion-free \mathbb{Z} -mod.

(c) $\text{End}(E)$ is a domain of char. 0 (not necessarily commutative).

Remark: If $\text{char}(K) = 0$, then the map $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \text{End}(E)$
 $m \mapsto [m]$

is usually the whole story, i.e. $\text{End}(E) \simeq \mathbb{Z}$.

If $\text{End}(E) \not\simeq \mathbb{Z}$, then we say that E has complex multiplication (CM for short). E.C. with C.M. have many special properties

(Modularity and L-function, \rightarrow Class FT, CFT, ...). Note that if K is a finite field, then always $\text{End}(E) \not\simeq \mathbb{Z}$. $\rightarrow y^2 = x^3 - d^2x$
(CNP.)

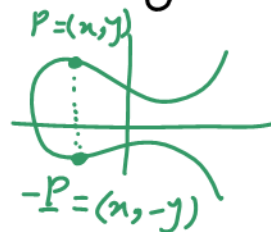
Example:

Let $\text{Char}(K) \neq 2$. Let $E: y^2 = x^3 - x$ and

$[i]: E \rightarrow E$. Then $[i] \in \text{End}(E)$ and so E has CM,
 $(x, y) \mapsto (-x, iy)$

Note that $[i]$ is defined $/K$ iff $i \in K$. So we see that we may have $\text{End}(E) \neq \text{End}_K(E)$.

We have $[i] \circ [i](x, y) = [i](-x, iy) = (x, -y) = -(x, y)$ ↪ group operation
 (if $P = (x, y) \Rightarrow -P = (x, -y)$)



So, $[i] \circ [i] = [-1]$. Thus we have a ring homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Z}[i] &\longrightarrow \text{End}(E) \\ m+ni &\longmapsto [m] + [n] \circ [i] \end{aligned}$$

If $\text{char}(K) = 0$, this is an isomorphism and $\text{Aut}(E) = \mathbb{Z}[i]^\times = \{\pm 1, \pm i\}$.

Important Example:

Let $\text{char}(K) = p > 0$ and $q = p^r$. Let E/K is an E.C.

given by a W.E.. We define $E^{(q)}/K$ by raising the coefficients of W.E. of E to the q -th power, and the

Frobenius morphism φ_q is defined as $\varphi_q: E \longrightarrow E^{(q)}$
 $(x, y) \longmapsto (x^q, y^q)$

Note that $\Delta(E^{(q)}) = \Delta(E)^q$ and $j(E^{(q)}) = j(E)^q$.

(Since $K \rightarrow K$ is a homomorphism and Δ & j are defined by $x \mapsto x^q$)

algebraic relations.)

So $E^{(q)}$ is nonsingular, because $E^{(q)}$ is the zero locus of a W.E..

Thus $E^{(q)}$ is also an E.C.. If $K = \mathbb{F}_q$, then the q -th power map $K \rightarrow K$ is identity and so $E = E^{(q)}$. In this case, $x \mapsto x^q$

$\varphi_q \in \text{End}(E)$ is called the Frobenius endomorphism. Note

that $E(\mathbb{F}_q) = E^{\varphi_q} = \left\{ (x, y) \in E(\overline{\mathbb{F}_q}) \mid \underbrace{\varphi_q(x, y)}_{(x^q, y^q)} = (x, y) \right\}$.

Def: For $m \in \mathbb{N}$, the m -torsion subgroup of E/K is the

set $E[m] := \left\{ P \in E(\overline{K}) \mid [m](P) = 0 \right\}$ (which is of exponent m).
 $\hookrightarrow = \ker [m]$

The torsion subgroup of E is the set of points of finite order:

$$E_{\text{tors}} := \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} E[m].$$

$E[m](L)$ for $L \supseteq K$

If E/K , then $E[m](K)$ and $E_{\text{tors}}(K)$ denote the

points of exponent m in $E(K)$ and points of finite order

in $E(K)$, respectively.

example: Let E/K and $Q \in E$. Then, translation-by- Q

map $\eta_Q: E \rightarrow E$ is an isomorphism since

$$P \mapsto P+Q$$

η_{-Q} is its inverse. Note that it is not an isogeny

unless $Q = \mathcal{O}_E$.

Remark: Let $F: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ be an arbitrary morphism.

Then, $\Psi = \eta_{-F(\mathcal{O}_{E_1})} \circ F$ is an isogeny, since $\Psi(\mathcal{O}_{E_1}) = \mathcal{O}_{E_2}$.

So, $F = \eta_{F(\mathcal{O}_{E_1})} \circ \Psi$. (analogy with Euclidean geometry:

every isometry can be written as a composition of a translation and a rotation.)

Theorem: Let $\Psi: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ be an isogeny. Then we have

$$\Psi(P+Q) = \Psi(P) + \Psi(Q) \quad \forall P, Q \in E_1. \text{ In fact,}$$

isogenies are group homomorphisms. Note that, if E_1, E_2 are K

then each $\Psi \in \text{Hom}_K(E_1(K), E_2(K))$ is also a group homomorphism.

Cor: For a non-zero isogeny $\Psi: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$, $\ker(\Psi) = \Psi^{-1}(\mathcal{O}_{E_2})$ is a finite group.

Theorem: Let $\Psi: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ be a non-zero isogeny.

(a) $\forall Q \in E_2: \#\Psi^{-1}(Q) = \deg_s \Psi$ (and $\forall P \in E_1: e_\Psi(P) = \deg_i \Psi$)

(b) The map $\ker \Psi \longrightarrow \text{Aut} \left(\overline{K}(E_1) / \Psi^* \overline{K}(E_2) \right)$

$$P \longmapsto \eta_P^*$$

is an isomorphism. (η_P is translation-by- P map, and η_P^*

is the automorphism that η_P induces on $\overline{K}(E_1)$:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \eta_P: E_1 \rightarrow E_2 \implies \eta_P^*: \overline{K}(E_2) \hookrightarrow \overline{K}(E_1) \\ f \longmapsto f \circ \eta_P \end{array} \right)$$

(c) Suppose that Ψ is separable. Then, (Ψ is unramified

and) $\#\ker \Psi = \deg \Psi$ and $\overline{K}(E_1)$ is a Galois extension of $\Psi^* \overline{K}(E_2)$.

Theorem: Let E be an E.C. and $\Lambda \subseteq E$ is a

finite subgroup. Then, there are a unique E.C. E' and

a separable isogeny $\Psi: E \rightarrow E'$ s.t. $\ker \Psi = \Lambda$.

$$E' \simeq \frac{E}{\Lambda}$$

$$\frac{E}{\Omega} \simeq E'$$

Dual Isogenies:

Theorem: Let $\Psi: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ be a nonconstant isogeny of degree m .

(a) There exist a unique isogeny $\hat{\Psi}: E_2 \rightarrow E_1$ s.t. $\hat{\Psi} \circ \Psi = [m]$.

(b) As a group homomorphism, $\hat{\Psi}$ equals to the following composition:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 E_1 & \xrightarrow{\Psi} & E_2 & \rightarrow & \Psi^* : \bar{K}(E_2) & \rightarrow & \bar{K}(E_1) \\
 E_2 & \longrightarrow & \text{Div}^0(E_2) & \xrightarrow{\Psi^*} & \text{Div}^0(E_1) & \xrightarrow{\text{sum}} & E_1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathbb{Q} & \longmapsto & (\mathbb{Q}) - (O_{E_2}) & & \sum_{P \in E} n_P \cdot P & \longmapsto & \sum_{P \in E} [n_P] \cdot P \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & (T) & \longmapsto & \sum_{S \in \Psi^{-1}(T)} e_\Psi(S) \cdot S & &
 \end{array}$$

Def: Let $E_1 \xrightarrow{\Psi} E_2$ be an isogeny. The dual isogeny to Ψ

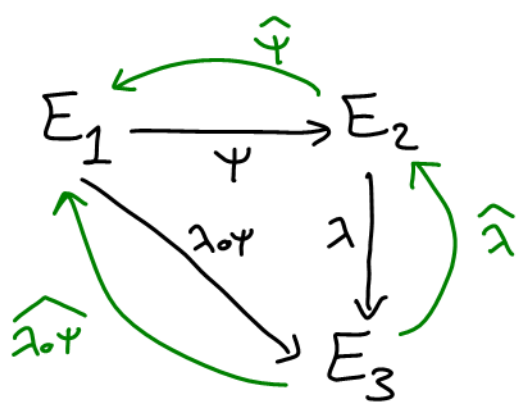
is the isogeny $\hat{\Psi}$ which defined in the last theorem.

(for $\Psi = [0]$, we set $\hat{\Psi} = [0]$)

Theorem: Let $\Psi: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ be an isogeny.

(a) Let $\deg \Psi = m$. Then $\hat{\Psi} \circ \Psi = [m]$ on E_1 , and $\Psi \circ \hat{\Psi} = [m]$ on E_2 .

(b) Let $\lambda: E_2 \rightarrow E_3$ be another isogeny. Then $\widehat{\lambda \circ \Psi} = \hat{\Psi} \circ \hat{\lambda}$:



(c) Let $\psi': E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ be another isogeny. Then:

$$\widehat{\psi + \psi'} = \widehat{\psi} + \widehat{\psi'}$$

(d) For all $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ (including zero) we have $\widehat{[m]} = [m]$ and $\deg([m]) = m^2$.

(e) $\deg(\widehat{\psi}) = \deg(\psi)$.

(f) $\widehat{\widehat{\psi}} = \psi$.

Cor: Let E_K be an E.C. and let $0 \neq m \in \mathbb{Z}$.

(a) If $m \neq 0$ in K (i.e. $\text{char}(K) = 0$ or $p = \text{char}(K) \nmid m$), then

$$E[m] = \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{m\mathbb{Z}} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{m\mathbb{Z}}$$

(b) If $\text{char}(K) = p$, then one of the following is true:

(i) $E[p^n] = \{O_E\} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

(ii) $E[p^n] = \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{p^n \mathbb{Z}} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

(c) If $m=0$ in K (i.e. $\text{char}(K)=p$ & $p|m$, so $m=p^\alpha m_1$, $(p, m_1)=1$):
 $E[m] = E[m_1] \times E[p^\alpha] = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/m_1\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m_1\mathbb{Z} \times \{0_E\} \\ \mathbb{Z}/m_1\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m_1\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/p^\alpha\mathbb{Z} \end{cases}$

Def: Let G be an abelian group. A function $d: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called a quadratic form if:

(i) $d(g) = d(-g) \quad \forall g \in G$.

(ii) The pairing $G \times G \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bilinear.
 $(g, h) \longmapsto d(g+h) - d(g) - d(h)$

Also, a quadratic form d is called positive definite if:

(a) $d(g) \geq 0 \quad \forall g \in G$.

(b) $d(g) = 0$ iff $g = 0$.

Cor: Let E_1, E_2 be two E.C.. Then, the degree map

$$\text{deg}: \text{Hom}(E_1, E_2) \longmapsto \mathbb{Z}$$

is a positive definite quadratic form.