



Elliptic Curves Over the Ring R^*

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ABSTRACT: Let F_q be a finite field of q elements, where q is a power of a prime number p greater than or equal to 5. In this paper, we study the elliptic curve denoted $E_{a,b}(F_q[e])$ over the ring $F_q[e]$, where $e^2 = e$ and $(a, b) \in (F_q[e])^2$. In a first time, we study the arithmetic of this ring. In addition, using the Weierstrass equation, we define the elliptic curve $E_{a,b}(F_q[e])$ and we will show that $E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(F_q)$ and $E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(F_q)$ are two elliptic curves over the field F_q , where π_0 and π_1 are respectively the canonical projection and the sum projection of coordinates of $X \in F_q[e]$. Precisely, we give a bijection between the sets $E_{a,b}(F_q[e])$ and $E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(F_q) \times E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(F_q)$.

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1. Introduction

Let F_q be a finite field of order $q = p^d$ where d is a positive integer and $p \geq 5$ is a prime number. M. Virat see ([9]) has studied the elliptic curve $E_{a,b}(F_p[\epsilon])$ defined over the local ring $F_p[\epsilon] := F_p[X]/(X^2)$, where $\epsilon^2 = 0$ and $(a, b) \in (F_p[\epsilon])^2$. A. Chillali see ([2]) has generalized the work of M. Virat and extended it to the ring $F_q[\epsilon] := F_q[X]/(X^n)$ where $\epsilon^n = 0$. In this article, our objective is to study the elliptic curve defined over the ring $F_q[X]/(X^2 - X)$. In section 2, we study the arithmetic of this ring, in particular we show that $F_q[e]$ is not a local ring. In section 3, we define the elliptic curve $E_{a,b}(F_q[e])$. The study of its discriminant and its Weierstrass equation, allows us to define two elliptic curves $E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(F_q)$

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and $E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ defined over the finite field \mathbb{F}_q . In the next of this section, we classify the elements of $E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$ and we give a bijection between the two sets $E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$ and $E_{\pi_0(a), \pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q) \times E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ where π_0 and π_1 are two surjective morphisms of rings defined by:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_0 : \mathbb{F}_q[e] & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{F}_q \\ x_0 + x_1e & \longmapsto & x_0 \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \pi_1 : \mathbb{F}_q[e] & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{F}_q \\ x_0 + x_1e & \longmapsto & x_0 + x_1 \end{array} .$$

2. The ring $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, $e^2 = e$

In this section, we follow the approach in [4], [3], [7], [8] and [9]. \mathbb{F}_q is a finite field of order $q = p^d$ where d is a positive integer and p is a prime number. The ring $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, $e^2 = e$ can be constructed as an extension of the ring \mathbb{F}_q by using the quotient ring of $\mathbb{F}_q[X]$ by the polynomial $X^2 - X$. An element $X \in \mathbb{F}_q[e]$ is represented by $X = x_0 + x_1e$ where $(x_0, x_1) \in \mathbb{F}_q^2$.

2.1. Arithmetic operations

The arithmetic operations in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ can be decomposed into operations in \mathbb{F}_q and they are computed as follows: $X + Y = (x_0 + y_0) + (x_1 + y_1)e$ and $X.Y = (x_0y_0) + (x_0y_1 + x_1y_0 + x_1y_1)e$, where $X = x_0 + x_1e$ and $Y = y_0 + y_1e$. One can readily verify the following Lemmas:

Lemma 2.1. $(\mathbb{F}_q[e], +, \cdot)$ is a finite unitary commutative ring.

Lemma 2.2. $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ is a vector space over \mathbb{F}_q of dimension 2 and $\{1, e\}$ is its basis.

Proposition 2.3. The product law " \cdot " in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ can be written as:

$$X.Y = (x_0y_0) + ((x_0 + x_1)(y_0 + y_1) - x_0y_0)e.$$

Proof: We have: $(x_0 + x_1)(y_0 + y_1) - x_0y_0 = x_0y_1 + x_1y_0 + x_1y_1$. □

Corollary 2.4. For all $X = x_0 + x_1e \in \mathbb{F}_q[e]$, we have:

$$X^2 = x_0^2 + ((x_0 + x_1)^2 - x_0^2)e \text{ and } X^3 = x_0^3 + ((x_0 + x_1)^3 - x_0^3)e.$$

The next proposition characterize the set $(\mathbb{F}_q[e])^\times$ of invertible elements in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$.

Proposition 2.5. Let $X = x_0 + x_1e \in \mathbb{F}_q[e]$, then $X \in (\mathbb{F}_q[e])^\times$ if and only if $x_0 \neq 0$ and $x_0 + x_1 \neq 0$. The inverse is given by:

$$X^{-1} = x_0^{-1} + ((x_0 + x_1)^{-1} - x_0^{-1})e.$$

Proof: Let $X = x_0 + x_1e$ and $Y = y_0 + y_1e$ be two elements of $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$. We have $X.Y = x_0y_0 + ((x_0 + x_1)(y_0 + y_1) - x_0y_0)e$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} X.Y = 1 \text{ if and only if } & \begin{cases} x_0y_0 = 1 \\ (x_0 + x_1)(y_0 + y_1) = x_0y_0 \end{cases} \\ \text{if and only if } & \begin{cases} y_0 = x_0^{-1}, x_0 \neq 0 \\ y_1 = (x_0 + x_1)^{-1} - x_0^{-1}, x_0 + x_1 \neq 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

so $X \in (\mathbb{F}_q[e])^\times$ if and only if $x_0 \neq 0$ and $x_0 + x_1 \neq 0$. In this case, we have:

$$X^{-1} = x_0^{-1} + ((x_0 + x_1)^{-1} - x_0^{-1})e.$$

□

Corollary 2.6. *Let $X \in \mathbb{F}_q[e]$, then X is not invertible if and only if $X = xe$ or $X = x - xe$, such that $x \in \mathbb{F}_q$.*

Now, we consider the two ideals of $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, $I = \{xe \in \mathbb{F}_q[e] \mid x \in \mathbb{F}_q\}$ and $J = \{x - xe \in \mathbb{F}_q[e] \mid x \in \mathbb{F}_q\}$. It's clear that $I \cup J$ is the set of non invertible elements in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, and for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{F}_q^2$ we have:

$$x - xe = ye \Rightarrow x - (x + y)e = 0 \Rightarrow x = x + y = 0 \Rightarrow x = y = 0,$$

so I and J are two distinct ideals of $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ and $I \cup J$ is not an ideal. Finally, we have:

Lemma 2.7. $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ is a non local ring.

We complete this subsection, by the Lemma:

Lemma 2.8. π_0 and π_1 are two surjective morphisms of rings.

Proof: Let $X = x_0 + x_1e$ and $Y = y_0 + y_1e$ be two elements of $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$. We have: $X + Y = (x_0 + y_0) + (x_1 + y_1)e$ and $X.Y = (x_0y_0) + ((x_0 + x_1)(y_0 + y_1) - x_0y_0)e$, then:

$$\star \pi_0(X + Y) = x_0 + y_0 = \pi_0(X) + \pi_0(Y) \text{ and } \pi_0(X.Y) = x_0.y_0 = \pi_0(X).\pi_0(Y),$$

so π_0 is a morphism of rings.

$$\star \pi_1(X + Y) = x_0 + y_0 + x_1 + y_1 = (x_0 + x_1) + (y_0 + y_1) = \pi_1(X) + \pi_1(Y) \text{ and}$$

$$\pi_1(X.Y) = (x_0 + x_1).(y_0 + y_1) = \pi_1(X).\pi_1(Y), \text{ so } \pi_1 \text{ is a morphism of rings.}$$

Finally, for all $x \in \mathbb{F}_q \subset \mathbb{F}_q[e]$, we have $\pi_0(x) = \pi_1(x) = x$, so π_0 and π_1 are two surjective morphisms. □

2.2. Costs of arithmetic operations

Let s, m and i denote the costs of addition, multiplication and inversion in \mathbb{F}_q respectively, and let S, M and I denote the costs of addition, multiplication and inversion in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ respectively; we have $S = 2s$, $M = 2s + 4m$ and $I = s + 2i$. From the Proposition 2.3, we have $M = 3s + 2m$, so $3s + 2m < 2s + 4m$, then the formula in the Proposition 2.3 is more efficient to compute the multiplication law in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$.

3. Elliptic curves over the ring $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, $e^2 = e$

In this section the prime number p is greater than or equal to 5, and the elements X, Y, Z, a and b are in the ring $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ such that $X = x_0 + x_1e$, $Y = y_0 + y_1e$, $Z = z_0 + z_1e$, $a = a_0 + a_1e$ and $b = b_0 + b_1e$ where $x_0, x_1, y_0, y_1, z_0, z_1, a_0, a_1, b_0$ and b_1 are in \mathbb{F}_q . We denoted $\Delta := 4a^3 + 27b^2$, $\Delta_0 := \pi_0(\Delta) = 4a_0^3 + 27b_0^2$ and $\Delta_1 := \pi_1(\Delta) = 4(a_0 + a_1)^3 + 27(b_0 + b_1)^2$. For more details of an elliptic curves in characteristics 2 and 3, see the appendix A in [6].

3.1. The elliptic curves $E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and $E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$

Definition 3.1. We define an elliptic curve over the ring $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, as a curve in the projective space $\mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$, which is given by the Weierstrass equation: $Y^2Z = X^3 + aXZ^2 + bZ^3$, where the discriminant Δ is invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$.

Notation:

If Δ is invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, we denote the elliptic curve over $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ by $E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$, and we write:

$$E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e]) = \{[X : Y : Z] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q[e]) \mid Y^2Z = X^3 + aXZ^2 + bZ^3\}.$$

Proposition 3.2. $\Delta = \Delta_0 + (\Delta_1 - \Delta_0)e$.

From the Propositions 2.5 and 3.2, we deduce that:

Corollary 3.3. Δ is invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$ if and only if $\Delta_0 \neq 0$ and $\Delta_1 \neq 0$.

Corollary 3.4. If Δ is invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, then $E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and $E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ are two elliptic curves over the finite field \mathbb{F}_q , and we write:

$$E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q) = \{[x : y : z] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q) \mid y^2z = x^3 + a_0xz^2 + b_0z^3\}, \text{ and}$$

$$E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q) = \{[x : y : z] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q) \mid y^2z = x^3 + (a_0 + a_1)xz^2 + (b_0 + b_1)z^3\}.$$

Proposition 3.5. Let X, Y and Z in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, then $[X : Y : Z] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$ if and only if $[\pi_0(X) : \pi_0(Y) : \pi_0(Z)] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and $[\pi_1(X) : \pi_1(Y) : \pi_1(Z)] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

Proof: Suppose that $[X : Y : Z] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$, then there exist $(U, V, W) \in (\mathbb{F}_q[e])^3$ such that $UX + VY + WZ = 1$. Hence for $i \in \{0, 1\}$, we have: $\pi_i(U)\pi_i(X) + \pi_i(V)\pi_i(Y) + \pi_i(W)\pi_i(Z) = 1$, so $(\pi_i(X), \pi_i(Y), \pi_i(Z)) \neq (0, 0, 0)$, which proves that $[\pi_i(X) : \pi_i(Y) : \pi_i(Z)] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

Reciprocally, let $[\pi_i(X) : \pi_i(Y) : \pi_i(Z)] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ where $i \in \{0, 1\}$. Suppose that $x_0 \neq 0$, then we distinguish between two case of $x_0 + x_1$:

(a) $x_0 + x_1 \neq 0$: then X is invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, so $[X : Y : Z] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$.

(b) $x_0 + x_1 = 0$: then $y_0 + y_1 \neq 0$ or $z_0 + z_1 \neq 0$.

(i) If $y_0 + y_1 \neq 0$ then:

$$x_0 + (y_0 + y_1 - x_0)e = x_0 - x_0e + (y_0 + y_1)e = X + eY \in (\mathbb{F}_q[e])^\times,$$

so there exist $U \in \mathbb{F}_q[e]$: $UX + eUY = 1$, hence $[X : Y : Z] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$.

(ii) If $z_0 + z_1 \neq 0$ then $X + eZ \in (\mathbb{F}_q[e])^\times$, so $[X : Y : Z] \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$.

In the case where $y_0 \neq 0$ or $z_0 \neq 0$, we follow the same proof. \square

Proposition 3.6. *Let X, Y and Z in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, then the point $[X : Y : Z]$ is a solution of the Weierstrass equation in $E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$ if and only if $[\pi_i(X) : \pi_i(Y) : \pi_i(Z)]$ is a solution of the same equation in $E_{\pi_i(a), \pi_i(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ where $i \in \{0, 1\}$.*

Proof: We have:

$$\begin{aligned} Y^2Z &= y_0^2z_0 + ((y_0 + y_1)^2(z_0 + z_1) - y_0^2z_0)e \\ X^3 &= x_0^3 + ((x_0 + x_1)^3 - x_0^3)e \\ aXZ^2 &= a_0x_0z_0^2 + ((a_0 + a_1)(x_0 + x_1)(z_0 + z_1)^2 - a_0x_0z_0^2)e \\ bZ^3 &= b_0z_0^3 + ((b_0 + b_1)(z_0 + z_1)^3 - b_0z_0^3)e. \end{aligned}$$

Or $\{1, e\}$ is a basis of \mathbb{F}_q vector space $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, then: $Y^2Z = X^3 + aXZ^2 + bZ^3$ if and only if $y_0^2z_0 = x_0^3 + a_0x_0z_0^2 + b_0z_0^3$ and $(y_0 + y_1)^2(z_0 + z_1) = (x_0 + x_1)^3 + (a_0 + a_1)(x_0 + x_1)(z_0 + z_1)^2 + (b_0 + b_1)(z_0 + z_1)^3$. \square

From the Corollary 3.3, the Proposition 3.5 and the Proposition 3.6, we deduce the theorem:

Theorem 3.7. *Let X, Y and Z in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, then $[X : Y : Z] \in E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$ if and only if $[\pi_i(X) : \pi_i(Y) : \pi_i(Z)] \in E_{\pi_i(a), \pi_i(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$, where $i \in \{0, 1\}$.*

Corollary 3.8. *The mappings $\tilde{\pi}_0$ and $\tilde{\pi}_1$ are well defined, where $\tilde{\pi}_i$ for $i \in \{0, 1\}$ is given by:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e]) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\pi}_i} & E_{\pi_i(a), \pi_i(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q) \\ [X : Y : Z] & \mapsto & [\pi_i(X) : \pi_i(Y) : \pi_i(Z)]. \end{array}$$

Proof: From the previous theorem, we have

$$[\pi_i(X) : \pi_i(Y) : \pi_i(Z)] \in E_{\pi_i(a), \pi_i(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q).$$

If $[X : Y : Z] = [X' : Y' : Z']$, then there exist $\Phi \in (\mathbb{F}_q[e])^\times$ such that: $X' = \Phi X$, $Y' = \Phi Y$ and $Z' = \Phi Z$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i([X' : Y' : Z']) &= [\pi_i(X') : \pi_i(Y') : \pi_i(Z')] \\ &= [\underbrace{\pi_i(\Phi)\pi_i(X) : \pi_i(\Phi)\pi_i(Y) : \pi_i(\Phi)\pi_i(Z)}_{\pi_i(\Phi) \in \mathbb{F}_q^*}] \\ &= [\pi_i(X) : \pi_i(Y) : \pi_i(Z)] = \tilde{\pi}_i([X : Y : Z]). \end{aligned}$$

\square

3.2. Classification of elements in $E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$

In this subsection we will classify the elements of the elliptic curve into three types, depending on whether the third projective coordinate Z is invertible or not. The result is in the following proposition.

Proposition 3.9. *Every element of $E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$ is of the form $[X : Y : 1]$ or $[xe : 1 : ze]$ such that $[x : 1 : z] \in E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ or $[x - xe : 1 : z - ze]$ such that $[x : 1 : z] \in E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ or $[xe : y - ye : e]$ such that $y \neq 0$ and $[x : 0 : 1] \in E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ or $[x - xe : ye : 1 - e]$ such that $y \neq 0$ and $[x : 0 : 1] \in E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$. We write:*

$$\begin{aligned} E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e]) = & \{[X : Y : 1] \mid Y^2 = X^3 + aX + b\} \\ & \cup \{[xe : 1 : ze] \mid [x : 1 : z] \in E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)\} \\ & \cup \{[x - xe : 1 : z - ze] \mid [x : 1 : z] \in E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)\} \\ & \cup \{[xe : y - ye : e] \mid y \neq 0 \text{ and } [x : 0 : 1] \in E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)\} \\ & \cup \{[x - xe : ye : 1 - e] \mid y \neq 0 \text{ and } [x : 0 : 1] \in E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: Let $P = [X : Y : Z] \in E_{a,b}(\mathbb{F}_q[e])$, where $X = x_0 + x_1e$ and $Y = y_0 + y_1e$. We have three cases of the third projective coordinate Z :

1. If Z is invertible, then: $[X : Y : Z] \sim [X : Y : 1]$.
2. If $Z = ze$, where $z \in \mathbb{F}_q$, then $\tilde{\pi}_0([X : Y : Z]) = [x_0 : y_0 : 0]$, so $x_0 = 0$ and $y_0 \neq 0$; hence $[X : Y : Z] = [xe : 1 + ye : ze]$ and there are two sub-cases of $y \in \mathbb{F}_q$:
 - (a) $y \neq -1$, then $1 + ye$ is invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, so we have: $[X : Y : Z] \sim [xe : 1 : ze]$, where $[x : 1 : z] \in E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$.
 - (b) $y = -1$, then $1 - e$ is not invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, so we have: $[X : Y : Z] = [xe : 1 - e : ze]$, where $[x : 0 : z] \in E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$, then necessary $z \neq 0$, hence $[X : Y : Z] = [\alpha e : \beta - \beta e : e]$, where $\beta = z^{-1} \neq 0$ and $[\alpha : 0 : 1] \in E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$.
3. If $Z = z - ze$, where $z \in \mathbb{F}_q$, then $\tilde{\pi}_1([X : Y : Z]) = [x_0 + x_1 : y_0 + y_1 : 0]$, so $x_0 + x_1 = 0$ and $y_0 + y_1 \neq 0$; hence $[X : Y : Z] = [x - xe : y_0 + y_1e : z - ze]$, where $y_0 + y_1 \neq 0$. We have two sub-cases of $y_0 \in \mathbb{F}_q$:
 - (a) $y_0 \neq 0$, then $y_0 + y_1e$ is invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, so we have: $[X : Y : Z] \sim [x - xe : 1 : z - ze]$, where $[x : 1 : z] \in E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$.
 - (b) $y_0 = 0$, then $Y = ye$, where $y \neq 0$ is not invertible in $\mathbb{F}_q[e]$, so we have: $[X : Y : Z] = [x - xe : ye : z - ze]$, where $[x : 0 : z] \in E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$, then necessary $z \neq 0$ and $[X : Y : Z] = [x - xe : ye : 1 - e]$, where $y \neq 0$ and $[x : 0 : 1] \in E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

Which proves the proposition. □

From this proposition we deduce that:

Corollary 3.10. $\tilde{\pi}_0$ is a surjective mapping.

Proof: Let $[x : y : z] \in E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbb{F}_q)$, then:

- ★ If $y \neq 0$, then $[x : y : z] \sim [x : 1 : z]$; hence $[x - xe : 1 : z - ze]$ is an antecedent of $[x : 1 : z]$.
- ★ If $y = 0$, then $z \neq 0$ and $[x : y : z] \sim [x : 0 : 1]$; hence $[x - xe : e : 1 - e]$ is an antecedent of $[x : 0 : 1]$.

□

Corollary 3.11. $\tilde{\pi}_1$ is a surjective mapping.

Proof: Let $[x : y : z] \in E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q)$, then:

- ★ If $y \neq 0$, then $[x : y : z] \sim [x : 1 : z]$; hence $[xe : 1 : ze]$ is an antecedent of $[x : 1 : z]$.
- ★ If $y = 0$, then $z \neq 0$ and $[x : y : z] \sim [x : 0 : 1]$; hence $[xe : 1 - e : e]$ is an antecedent of $[x : 0 : 1]$.

□

The next proposition gives a bijection between the two sets $E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])$ and $E_{\pi_0(a), \pi_0(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q) \times E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q)$.

Proposition 3.12. The $\tilde{\pi}$ mapping defined by:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e]) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\pi}} & E_{\pi_0(a), \pi_0(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q) \times E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q) \\ [X : Y : Z] & \longmapsto & ([\pi_0(X) : \pi_0(Y) : \pi_0(Z)], [\pi_1(X) : \pi_1(Y) : \pi_1(Z)]) \end{array}$$

is a bijection.

Proof:

- ★ As $\tilde{\pi}_0$ and $\tilde{\pi}_1$ are well defined, then $\tilde{\pi}$ is well defined.
- ★ Let $([x_0 : y_0 : z_0], [x_1 : y_1 : z_1]) \in E_{\pi_0(a), \pi_0(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q) \times E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q)$, then $[x_0 + (x_1 - x_0)e : y_0 + (y_1 - y_0)e : z_0 + (z_1 - z_0)e] \in E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])$ and it is clear that

$$\tilde{\pi}([x_0 + (x_1 - x_0)e : y_0 + (y_1 - y_0)e : z_0 + (z_1 - z_0)e]) = ([x_0 : y_0 : z_0], [x_1 : y_1 : z_1]),$$
 hence $\tilde{\pi}$ is a surjective mapping.

- ★ Lets $[X : Y : Z]$ and $[X' : Y' : Z']$ be elements of $E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])$, where $X = x_0 + x_1e, Y = y_0 + y_1e, Z = z_0 + z_1e, X' = x'_0 + x'_1e, Y' = y'_0 + y'_1e$ and $Z' = z'_0 + z'_1e$. If $[x_0 : y_0 : z_0] = [x'_0 : y'_0 : z'_0]$ and $[x_0 + x_1 : y_0 + y_1 : z_0 + z_1] = [x'_0 + x'_1 : y'_0 + y'_1 : z'_0 + z'_1]$, then there exist $(\alpha, \beta) \in (\mathbf{F}_q^*)^2$ such

$$\text{that: } \begin{cases} x'_0 = \alpha x_0 \\ y'_0 = \alpha y_0 \\ z'_0 = \alpha z_0 \end{cases} \text{ and } \begin{cases} x'_0 + x'_1 = \beta(x_0 + x_1) \\ y'_0 + y'_1 = \beta(y_0 + y_1) \\ z'_0 + z'_1 = \beta(z_0 + z_1) \end{cases}, \text{ so } \begin{cases} x'_1 = (\beta - \alpha)x_0 + \beta x_1 \\ y'_1 = (\beta - \alpha)y_0 + \beta y_1 \\ z'_1 = (\beta - \alpha)z_0 + \beta z_1 \end{cases},$$

then:

$$\begin{cases} X' = \alpha x_0 + ((\beta - \alpha)x_0 + \beta x_1)e = (\alpha + (\beta - \alpha)e)X \\ Y' = \alpha y_0 + ((\beta - \alpha)y_0 + \beta y_1)e = (\alpha + (\beta - \alpha)e)Y \\ Z' = \alpha z_0 + ((\beta - \alpha)z_0 + \beta z_1)e = (\alpha + (\beta - \alpha)e)Z \end{cases}.$$

Or $\alpha + (\beta - \alpha)e$ is invertible in $\mathbf{F}_q[e]$, so $[X' : Y' : Z'] = [X : Y : Z]$, hence $\tilde{\pi}$ is an injective mapping.

We can easily show that the mapping $\tilde{\pi}^{-1}$ defined by:

$$\tilde{\pi}^{-1}([x_0 : y_0 : z_0], [x_1 : y_1 : z_1]) = [x_0 + (x_1 - x_0)e : y_0 + (y_1 - y_0)e : z_0 + (z_1 - z_0)e]$$

is the inverse of $\tilde{\pi}$. \square

Corollary 3.13. *The cardinal of $E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])$ is equal to the cardinal of*

$$E_{\pi_0(a), \pi_0(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q) \times E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q).$$

3.3. Example

In $\mathbf{F}_5[e]$, lets $a = 1 + 3e$ and $b = 1 + 2e$. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_5[e]) = & \{[0 : 1 : 0], [0 : 1 : 1 + 4e], [0 : 1 : 4 + e], [2 : 1 + e : 1], \\ & [2 : 1 + 2e : 1], [2 : 4 + 3e : 1], [2 : 4 + 4e : 1], [e : 1 : 3e], \\ & [2e : 1 + e : 1], [2e : 1 + 2e : 1], [2e : 4 + 3e : 1], [2e : 4 + 4e : 1], \\ & [4e : 1 : 2e], [2 + 3e : 1 : 1 + 4e], [2 + 3e : 1 : 3 + 2e], \\ & [2 + 3e : 1 : 4 + e], [3 + 2e : 1 : 1 + 4e], [3 + 2e : 1 : 2 + 3e], \\ & [3 + 2e : 1 : 4 + e], [3 + 4e : 1 + e : 1], [3 + 4e : 1 + 2e : 1], \\ & [3 + 4e : 4 + 3e : 1], [3 + 4e : 4 + 4e : 1], [4 + 3e : 2 : 1], \\ & [4 + 3e : 3 : 1], [4 + 3e : 2 + e : 1], [4 + 3e : 3 + 4e : 1]\}, \\ E_{1,1}(\mathbf{F}_5) = & \{[0 : 1 : 0], [0 : 1 : 1], [0 : 4 : 1], [2 : 1 : 1], [2 : 4 : 1], [3 : 1 : 1], \\ & [3 : 4 : 1], [4 : 2 : 1], [4 : 3 : 1]\}, \\ E_{4,3}(\mathbf{F}_5) = & \{[0 : 1 : 0], [2 : 2 : 1], [2 : 3 : 1]\}, \end{aligned}$$

so $\text{card}(E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_5[e])) = 27$, $\text{card}(E_{1,1}(\mathbf{F}_5)) = 9$ and $\text{card}(E_{4,3}(\mathbf{F}_5)) = 3$.

3.4. Cryptography applications

In cryptography applications, we have:

- ★ If $\text{card}(E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])) := n$ is an odd number, then $n = s \times t$ is the factorization of n , where $s := \text{card}(E_{\pi_0(a), \pi_0(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q))$ and $t := \text{card}(E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q))$, hence the cardinal of $E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])$ is not a prime number.
- ★ The discrete logarithm problem in $E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])$ is equivalent to the discrete logarithm problem in $E_{\pi_0(a), \pi_0(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q) \times E_{\pi_1(a), \pi_1(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q)$.

4. Conclusion

In this work, we have proved the bijection between $E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])$ and $E_{\pi_0(a),\pi_0(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q) \times E_{\pi_1(a),\pi_1(b)}(\mathbf{F}_q)$. For the group law over $E_{a,b}(\mathbf{F}_q[e])$ see the explicit formulas in the article of [1], [pages : 236-238].

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