Introduction to Elliptic Cryptosystems

An invitation to Elliptic curves

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Proto-History (from WIKIPEDIA)

Giulio Carlo, Count Fagnano, and Marquis de Toschi (December 6, 1682 – September 26, 1766) was an Italian mathematician. He was probably the first to direct attention to the theory of *elliptic integrals*. Fagnano was born in Senigallia.

He made his higher studies at the *Collegio Clementino* in Rome and there won great distinction, except in mathematics, to which his aversion was extreme. Only after his college course he took up the study of mathematics.

Later, without help from any teacher, he mastered mathematics from its foundations.

Some of His Achievements:

- $\pi = 2i \log \frac{1-i}{1+1}$
- Length of Lemniscate



Carlo Fagnano



Collegio Clementino



Lemniscate $(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 2a^2(x^2 - y^2)$ $\ell = 4 \int_0^a \frac{a^2 dr}{\sqrt{a^4 - r^4}} = \frac{a\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\frac{5}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})}$

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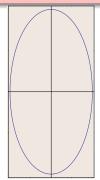
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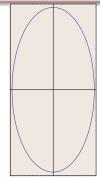
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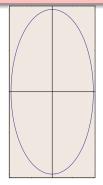
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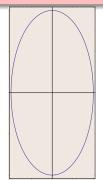
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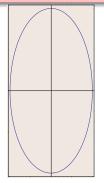
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Apply the invertible change of variables:

$$\begin{cases} x = 1 - 2/t \\ y = \frac{u}{t-1} \end{cases}$$

Arrive to

$$u^2 = t^3 - 4t^2 + 6t - 3$$

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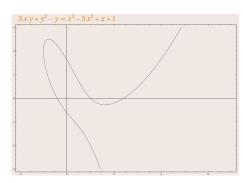
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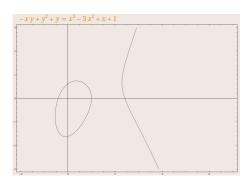
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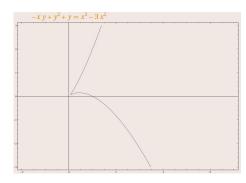
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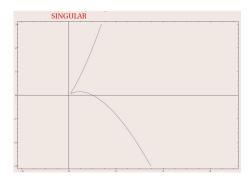
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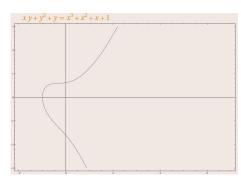
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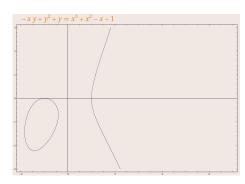
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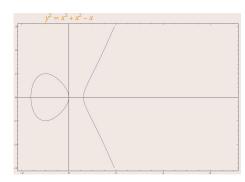
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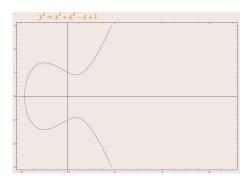
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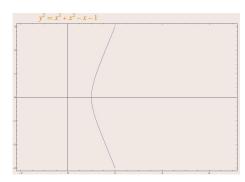
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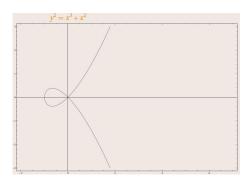
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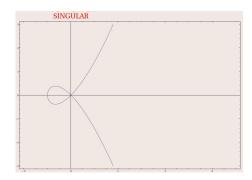
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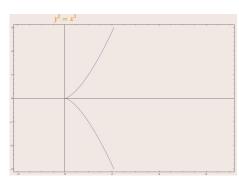
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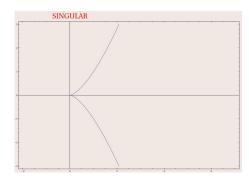
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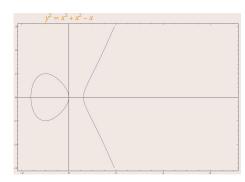
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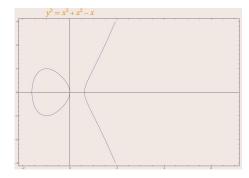
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The equation should not be *singular*

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Two Weierstraß equations over \mathbb{F}_q are said (affinely) equivalent if there exists a (affine) of the following form

$$\begin{cases} x \longleftarrow u^2 x + r \\ y \longleftarrow u^3 y + u^2 s x + t \end{cases} \quad r, s, t, u \in \mathbb{F}_q$$

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There are 5 affinely inequivalent elliptic curves over \mathbb{F}_2

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- **1** Over \mathbb{F}_5 there are 12 elliptic curves
- **2** Over \mathbb{F}_p there are approximately 2p

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or equivalently

$$E(\mathbb{F}_q) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{F}_q^2 : y^2 + a_1 xy + a_3 y = x^3 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x + a_6\} \cup \{\infty\}$$

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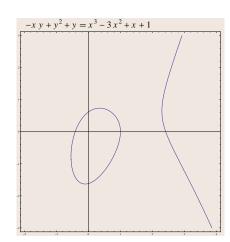
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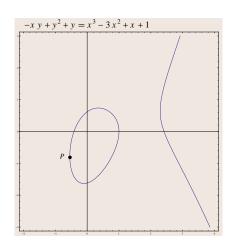
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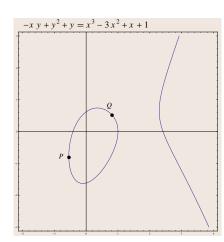
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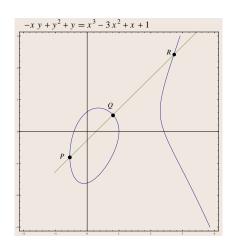
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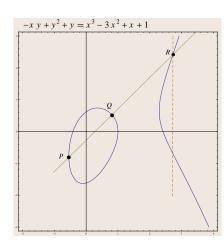
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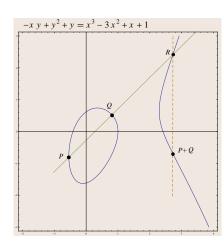
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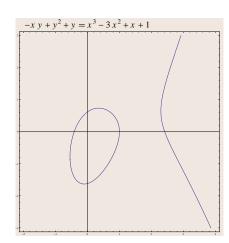
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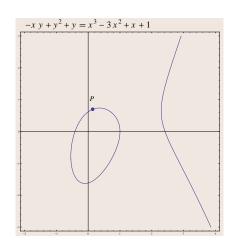
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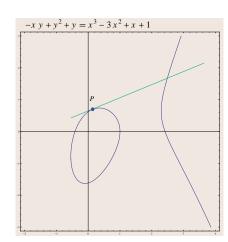
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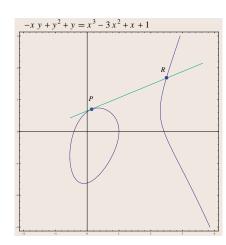
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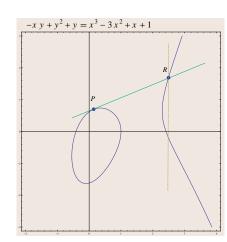
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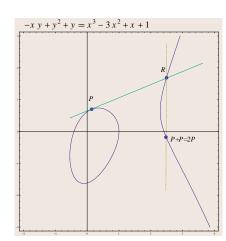
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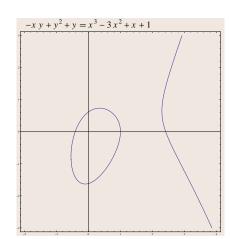
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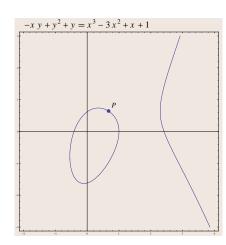
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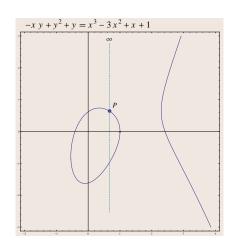
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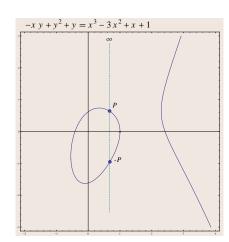
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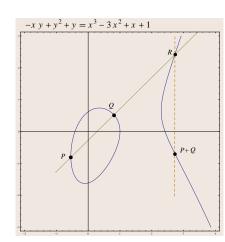
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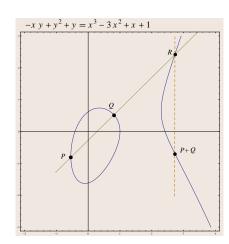
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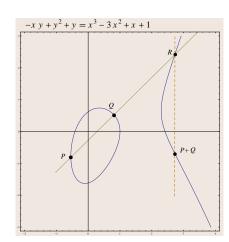
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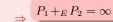
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Each curve $/\mathbb{F}_2$ has cyclic $E(\mathbb{F}_2)$.

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$y^2 + y = x^3 + x$	$\{\infty, (0,0), (0,1), (1,0), (1,1)\}$	5
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and $E_4(\mathbb{F}_5) \cong C_4$

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• $\psi_3(x) := 3x^4 + 6Ax^2 + 12Bx - A^2$ the 3rd division polynomial

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 the Hasse interval \mathcal{I}_q

Example (Hasse Intervals)

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{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}
3
       {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}
        {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9}
        {2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}
7
        \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13\}
8
        {4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14}
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11
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13
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16
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17
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19
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23
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Let E/K and $m \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $p \nmid m$. Then

$$E[m] \cong C_m \oplus C_m$$

We set

$$\mu_m := \{ x \in \bar{K} : x^m = 1 \}$$

 μ_m is a cyclic group with m elements(since $p \nmid m$)

Theorem (Existence of Weil Pairing)

There exists a pairing $e_m : E[m] \times E[m] \to \mu_m$ called Weil Pairing, s.t. $\forall P, Q \in E[m]$

- $\bullet \ e_m(P +_E Q, R) = e_m(P, R)e_m(Q, R) \ (bilinearity)$
- $e_m(P,R) = 1 \forall R \in E[m] \Rightarrow P = \infty \text{ (non degeneracy)}$
- **3** $e_m(P,P) = 1$
- **4** $e_m(P,Q) = e_m(Q,P)^{-1}$
- $\bullet e_m(\sigma P, \sigma Q) = \sigma e_m(P, Q) \ \forall \sigma \in \operatorname{Gal}(\bar{K}/K)$
- **6** $e_m(\alpha(P), \alpha(Q)) = e_m(P, Q)^{\deg \alpha} \ \forall \alpha \ \text{separable endomorphism}$

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