# ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTOGRAPHY (ECC)

(2 pages)

### Addition Law on E:

Let  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  be two arbitrary points on an elliptic curve  $E: y^2 \equiv x^3 + bx + c$ . Then

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_3, y_3) = (m^2 - x_1 - x_2, m(x_1 - x_3) - y_1)$$

where

$$m = \begin{cases} \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} & \text{if } (x_1, y_1) \neq (x_2, y_2), \\ \\ \frac{3x_1^2 + b}{2y_1} & \text{if } (x_1, y_1) = (x_2, y_2). \end{cases}$$

**Remark:** When considering an elliptic curve  $E \pmod{p}$ , for a prime p, we replace  $\frac{y_2-y_1}{x_2-x_1}$  by  $(y_2-y_1) \cdot (x_2-x_1)^{-1} \pmod{p}$  and similarly for  $\frac{3x_1^2+b}{2y_1}$ .

#### ECC KEY EXCHANGE

## **Public Information:**

$$p = \text{large prime. Two integers } 1 < b, c < p.$$
  

$$E : y^2 \equiv x^3 + bx + c \pmod{p}, \qquad (\text{an elliptic curve (mod p)}).$$
  

$$Q = (x_0, y_0) \text{ a point on } E \pmod{p} \text{ with } 1 < x_0, y_0 < p, \quad \text{i.e., } y_0^2 \equiv x_0^3 + bx_0 + c \pmod{p}.$$

## Elliptic Curve Key Exchange Protocol:

Alice's Private Key: $1 < \alpha < p$ .Alice's Public Key: $\alpha Q := \underbrace{Q \oplus \cdots \oplus Q}_{\alpha \text{ ECC additions}}$ Bob's Private Key: $1 < \beta < p$ .Bob's Public Key: $\beta Q := \underbrace{Q \oplus \cdots \oplus Q}_{\beta \text{ ECC additions}}$ 

Shared Secret = Exchanged Key =  $\alpha\beta Q$ .

**Toy Example:** p = 17,  $E: y^2 \equiv x^3 + x + 6 \pmod{17}$ , Q = (2, 4).

<u>Alice's Private Key</u> = 2 <u>Alice's Public Key</u> =  $(2, 4) \oplus (2, 4) = (x_3, y_3)$ , where we compute  $x_3, y_3$  as follows:  $m \equiv (3 \cdot 2^2 + 1) \cdot (2 \cdot 4)^{-1} \equiv 8 \pmod{17}$ ,  $x_3 \equiv 8^2 - 2 - 2 \equiv 9 \pmod{17}$ ,  $y_3 \equiv 6(2 - 0) - 4 \equiv 8 \pmod{17}$ , <u>Alice's Public Key</u> =  $(2, 4) \oplus (2, 4) = (9, 8)$ 

Bob's Private Key = 3

Bob's Public Key =  $(2,4) \oplus (2,4) \oplus (2,4) = (9,8) \oplus (2,4) = (x_3, y_3)$ , where we compute  $x_3, y_3$  as follows:

$$m \equiv (4-8) \cdot (2-9)^{-1} \equiv 3 \pmod{17},$$
  

$$x_3 \equiv 3^2 - 9 - 2 \equiv 15 \pmod{17}, \qquad y_3 \equiv 3(9-15) - 8 \equiv 8 \pmod{17},$$
  
**Bob's Public Key** =  $(2,4) \oplus (2,4) \oplus (2,4) = (15,8)$ 

Shared Secret = Exchanged Key =  $6(2,4) = (15,8) \oplus (15,8) = (3,6)$