# LARGE CYCLIC SUBGROUPS OF JACOBIANS OF HYPERELLIPTIC CURVES 

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#### Abstract

In this paper we obtain conditions on the divisors of the group order of the Jacobian of a hyperelliptic genus 2 curve, generated by the complex multiplication method described by Weng (2003) and Gaudry et al (2005). Examples, where these conditions imply that the Jacobian has a large cyclic subgroup, are given.


## 1. Introduction

In elliptic curve cryptography it is essential to know the number of points on the curve. Cryptographically we are interested in curves with large cyclic subgroups. Such elliptic curves can be constructed. The construction is based on the theory of complex multiplication, studied in detail by Atkin and Morain (1993). It is referred to as the CM method.

Koblitz (1989) suggested the use of hyperelliptic curves to provide larger group orders. Therefore constructions of hyperelliptic curves are interesting. The CM method for elliptic curves has been generalized to hyperelliptic curves of genus 2 by Spallek (1994), and efficient algorithms have been proposed by Weng (2003) and Gaudry et al (2005).

Both algorithms take as input a primitive, quartic CM field $K$, and give as output a hyperelliptic genus 2 curve $C$ over a prime field $\mathbb{F}_{p}$. A prime number $p$ is chosen such that $p=\omega \bar{\omega}$ for a number $\omega \in \mathfrak{O}_{K}$, where $\mathfrak{D}_{K}$ is the ring of integers of $K$. We have $K=\mathbb{Q}(\eta)$ and $K \cap \mathbb{R}=\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$, where $\eta=i \sqrt{a+b \xi}$ and

$$
\xi= \begin{cases}\frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2}, & \text { if } D \equiv 1 \quad(\bmod 4) \\ \sqrt{D}, & \text { if } D \equiv 2,3 \quad(\bmod 4)\end{cases}
$$

Write $\omega=c_{1}+c_{2} \xi+\left(c_{3}+c_{4} \xi\right) \eta, c_{i} \in \mathbb{Z}$. Let $C$ be a hyperelliptic curve of genus 2 over $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ with $\operatorname{End}(C) \simeq \mathfrak{O}_{K}$. The Jacobian $\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$ is isomorphic to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{Z} / n_{1} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{2} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{3} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{4} \mathbb{Z} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $n_{i} \mid n_{i+1}$ and $n_{2} \mid p-1$. In this paper, conditions on the prime divisors of the number $n_{2}$ are obtained, and examples, where these conditions imply that the Jacobian $\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$ has a large cyclic subgroup, are given. The conditions on the prime divisors are given by the following theorem.

[^0]Theorem 1. Let $C / \mathbb{F}_{p}$ be a hyperelliptic curve of genus 2 with $\operatorname{End}(C) \simeq \mathfrak{O}_{K}$, where $K$ is a primitive, quartic CM field. Assume that the structure of $\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$ is given by (1). Let $\ell \mid n_{2}$ be an odd prime number. Then $\ell \leq Q$, where

$$
Q=\max \left\{a, D, a^{2}-b^{2} D\right\}
$$

if $D \equiv 2,3 \quad(\bmod 4)$, and

$$
Q=\max \left\{a, D, 4 a(a+b)-b^{2}(D-1), a D+2 b(D-1)\right\}
$$

if $D \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$. If $\ell>D$, then $c_{1} \equiv 1(\bmod \ell)$ and $c_{2} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$.
Remark 2. Since the number $n_{2} \mid p-1$ and $\ell \mid n_{2}$, it follows that $\ell \neq p$.

## 2. Hyperelliptic curves

A hyperelliptic curve is a smooth, projective curve $C \subseteq \mathbb{P}^{n}$ of genus $g \geq 2$ with a separable, degree 2 morphism $\phi: C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{1}$. Let $C$ be a hyperelliptic curve of genus $g=2$ defined over a prime field $\mathbb{F}_{p}$, where $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ is of characteristic $p>2$. By the Riemann-Roch theorem there exist an embedding $\psi: C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{2}$, mapping $C$ to a curve given by an equation of the form

$$
y^{2}=f(x)
$$

where $f \in \mathbb{F}_{p}[x]$ is of degree $\operatorname{deg}(f)=6$ and have no multiple roots (see Cassels and Flynn, 1996, chapter 1).

The set of principal divisors $\mathcal{P}(C)$ on $C$ constitutes a subgroup of the degree 0 divisors $\operatorname{Div}_{0}(C)$. The Jacobian $\mathcal{J}_{C}$ of $C$ is defined as the quotient

$$
\mathcal{J}_{C}=\operatorname{Div}_{0}(C) / \mathcal{P}(C)
$$

Let $\ell \neq p$ be a prime number. The $\ell^{n}$-torsion subgroup $\mathcal{J}_{C}\left[\ell^{n}\right]<\mathcal{J}_{C}$ of elements of order dividing $\ell^{n}$ is then by (Lang, 1959, theorem 6, p. 109)

$$
\mathcal{\partial}_{C}\left[\ell^{n}\right] \simeq \mathbb{Z} / \ell^{n} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / \ell^{n} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / \ell^{n} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / \ell^{n} \mathbb{Z}
$$

An endomorphism $\varphi: \mathcal{J}_{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{J}_{C}$ induces a $\mathbb{Z}_{\ell}$-linear map

$$
\varphi_{\ell}: T_{\ell}\left(\mathcal{J}_{C}\right) \rightarrow T_{\ell}\left(\mathcal{J}_{C}\right)
$$

on the $\ell$-adic Tate-module $T_{\ell}\left(\mathcal{J}_{C}\right)$ of $\mathcal{J}_{C}$ (Lang, 1959, chapter VII, $\left.\S 1\right)$. Hence $\varphi$ is represented on $\mathcal{J}_{C}[\ell]$ by a matrix $M \in \operatorname{Mat}_{4 \times 4}(\mathbb{Z} / \ell \mathbb{Z})$. Let $P(X) \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ be the characteristic polynomial of $\varphi$ (see Lang, 1959, pp. 109-110) and $P_{M}(X) \in(\mathbb{Z} / \ell \mathbb{Z})[X]$ the characteristic polynomial of $M$. Then (Lang, 1959, theorem 3, p. 186)

$$
\begin{equation*}
P(X) \equiv P_{M}(X) \quad(\bmod \ell) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $C$ is defined over $\mathbb{F}_{p}$, the mapping $(x, y) \mapsto\left(x^{p}, y^{p}\right)$ is an isogeny on $C$. This isogeny induces an endomorphism $\varphi$ on the Jacobian $\mathscr{J}_{C}$, the Frobenius endomorphism. The characteristic polynomial $P(X)$ of $\varphi$ is of degree 4 (Tate, 1966, theorem 2, p. 140). Theorem 1 will be established by using the identity (2) on the Frobenius.

## 3. CM FIELDS

An elliptic curve $E$ with $\mathbb{Z} \neq \operatorname{End}(E)$ is said to have $C M$. Let $K$ be an imaginary, quadratic number field with ring of integers $\mathfrak{O}_{K} . K$ is a $C M$ field. If $\operatorname{End}(E) \simeq \mathfrak{O}_{K}$, then $E$ is said to have $C M$ by $\mathfrak{O}_{K}$. More generally a CM field is defined as follows.

Definition 3 (CM field). A number field $K$ is a CM field, if $K$ is a totally imaginary, quadratic extension of a totally real number field $K_{0}$.

In this paper only CM fields of degree $[K: \mathbb{Q}]=4$ are considered. Such a field is called a quartic CM field. Let $K_{0}=K \cap \mathbb{R}$. Then $K_{0}$ is a real, quadratic number field, $K_{0}=\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$. Since $K$ is a totally imaginary, quadratic extension of $K_{0}$, a number $\eta \in K$ exists, such that $K=K_{0}(\eta), \eta^{2} \in K_{0}$. The number $\eta$ is totally imaginary, and we may assume $\eta=i \eta_{0}, \eta_{0} \in \mathbb{R}$, and that $-\eta^{2}$ is totally positive.

Let $C$ be a hyperelliptic curve of genus $g=2$. Then $C$ is said to have CM by $\mathfrak{O}_{K}$, if $\operatorname{End}(C) \simeq \mathfrak{O}_{K}$. The structure of $K$ determines whether $C$ is irreducible. More precisely, the following theorem holds.

Theorem 4. Let $C$ be a hyperelliptic curve of genus 2 with CM by $\mathfrak{O}_{K}$, where $K$ is a quartic CM field. Then $C$ is reducible if, and only if, $K / \mathbb{Q}$ is Galois with Galois group $\operatorname{Gal}(K / \mathbb{Q}) \simeq \mathbb{Z} / 2 \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / 2 \mathbb{Z}$.
Proof. (Shimura, 1998, proposition 26, p. 61).
Theorem 4 motivates the following definition.
Definition 5 (Primitive, quartic CM field). A quartic CM field $K$ is called primitive if either $K / \mathbb{Q}$ is not Galois, or $K / \mathbb{Q}$ is Galois with cyclic Galois group.

## 4. The CM method for genus 2

The CM method for genus 2 is described in detail by Weng (2003) and Gaudry et al (2005). In short, the CM method is based on the construction of the class polynomials of the number field $K$. The prime number $p$ has to be chosen such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
p=\omega \bar{\omega} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

for a number $\omega \in \mathfrak{O}_{K}$. There are 2 approaches to choose such a prime number $p$. Either pick a random prime number $p$, and try to solve the complex norm equation (3) in $\mathfrak{O}_{K}$, or generate a number $\omega \in \mathfrak{O}_{K}$, such that $\omega \bar{\omega}$ is a prime number. The first approach needs deep theory, e.g. class groups. The second can be implemented in a short algorithm, and is based on elementary theory. Moreover, empirical results indicate that the elementary method is the faster of the two approaches (Weng, 2003 , table 1). Thus the elementary method is preferable. The algorithm is given in figure 1 for $D \equiv 2,3(\bmod 4)$. The algorithm for $D \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$ is similar (Weng, 2003, section 8).

Remark 6. In either way we get an $\omega \in \mathfrak{O}_{K}$ with $\omega \bar{\omega}=p$. We may assume that $\omega$ fulfils the additional condition $\operatorname{gcd}\left(c_{3}, c_{4}\right)=1$, where the numbers $c_{3}$ and $c_{4}$ are given by equation (4) in section 5. In the first approach, if $\omega$ does not fulfil this condition, we can just pick another prime number $p$. In the elementary method we can incorporate this condition in the algorithm.

Input: CM-field $K=\mathbb{Q}(i \sqrt{a+b \sqrt{D}})$.
Output: Prime $p=\omega \bar{\omega}$ and $\omega \in \mathfrak{O}_{K}$.
(1) Choose random numbers $c_{3}, c_{4} \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\operatorname{gcd}\left(c_{3}, c_{4}\right)=1$ and $c_{3}^{2} b-c_{4}^{2} b D \equiv 0(\bmod 2)$.
(2) Set $2 n:=-2 c_{3} c_{4} a-c_{3}^{2} b-c_{4}^{2} b D$.
(3) Choose $c_{1}$ at random as a divisor of $n$.
(4) Set $c_{2}:=n / c_{1}$.
(5) Set $p:=c_{1}^{2}+c_{2}^{2} D+c_{3}^{2} a+c_{4}^{2} a D+2 c_{3} c_{4} b D$. If $p$ is not a prime number, start again.
(6) Set $\omega:=c_{1}+c_{2} \sqrt{D}+\left(c_{3}+c_{4} \sqrt{D}\right) i \sqrt{a+b \sqrt{D}}$.

Figure 1. Elementary method to choose a prime number $p=\omega \bar{\omega}$ in the case $D \equiv 2,3(\bmod 4)$.

## 5. Properties of $\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$

Let $K$ be a primitive, quartic CM field with real subfield $K_{0}=\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$ of class number $h\left(K_{0}\right)=1$. Write $K=\mathbb{Q}(\eta)$, where $\eta=i \sqrt{a+b \xi}$ and

$$
\xi= \begin{cases}\frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2}, & \text { if } D \equiv 1 \quad(\bmod 4) \\ \sqrt{D}, & \text { if } D \equiv 2,3 \quad(\bmod 4)\end{cases}
$$

We may assume that $a \pm b \sqrt{D}, a+b \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{D}}{2}>0$, cf. section 3. Let $p$ be a prime number such that

$$
p=\omega \bar{\omega}
$$

for a number $\omega \in \mathfrak{O}=\mathfrak{O}_{K_{0}}+\eta \mathfrak{O}_{K_{0}}$. Since $h\left(K_{0}\right)=1$, we can write

$$
\begin{equation*}
\omega=c_{1}+c_{2} \xi+\left(c_{3}+c_{4} \xi\right) \eta, \quad c_{i} \in \mathbb{Z} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

We may assume $\operatorname{gcd}\left(c_{3}, c_{4}\right)=1$, cf. remark 6 . Let $C / \mathbb{F}_{p}$ be a hyperelliptic curve of genus 2 with CM by $\mathfrak{D}_{K}$. Write

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \simeq \mathbb{Z} / n_{1} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{2} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{3} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{4} \mathbb{Z} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $n_{i} \mid n_{i+1}$ and $n_{2} \mid p-1$ (see Frey and Lange, 2006, proposition 5.78, p. 111). Depending on the remainder of $D$ modulo 4 , we obtain conditions on the prime divisors of the number $n_{2}$.

Theorem 7. Let $C / \mathbb{F}_{p}$ be a hyperelliptic curve of genus 2 with CM by $\mathfrak{O}_{K}$. Assume that the structure of $\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$ is given by (5). Let $\ell \mid n_{2}$ be an odd prime number. Then $\ell \leq Q$, where

$$
Q=\max \left\{a, D, a^{2}-b^{2} D\right\}
$$

if $D \equiv 2,3 \quad(\bmod 4)$, and

$$
Q=\max \left\{a, D, 4 a(a+b)-b^{2}(D-1), a D+2 b(D-1)\right\},
$$

if $D \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$. If $\ell>D$, then $c_{1} \equiv 1(\bmod \ell)$ and $c_{2} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$.
Proof. Assume $D \equiv 2,3(\bmod 4)$. Since $\omega \bar{\omega}=p$ we find that

$$
\begin{align*}
& p=c_{1}^{2}+c_{2}^{2} D+c_{3}^{2} a+c_{4}^{2} a D+2 c_{3} c_{4} b D  \tag{6}\\
& 0=2 c_{1} c_{2}+c_{3}^{2} b+c_{4}^{2} b D+2 c_{3} c_{4} a \tag{7}
\end{align*}
$$

Let $P(X)$ be the characteristic polynomial of the Frobenius $\varphi$.

$$
P(X)=\prod_{i=1}^{4}\left(X-\omega_{i}\right)=X^{4}-4 c_{1} X^{3}+\left(2 p+4\left(c_{1}^{2}-c_{2}^{2} D\right)\right) X^{2}-4 c_{1} p X+p^{2}
$$

Here $\omega_{i}$ are the roots of $P(X)$.
Let $\ell \mid n_{2}$ be an odd prime number. Then by equation (5) the Jacobian $\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$ contains a subgroup $U \simeq(\mathbb{Z} / \ell \mathbb{Z})^{3}$. As

$$
(\mathbb{Z} / \ell \mathbb{Z})^{3}<\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)[\ell]<\mathcal{J}_{C}[\ell]
$$

the Frobenius $\varphi$ is represented on $\mathscr{J}_{C}[\ell]$ by a matrix

$$
M=\left[\begin{array}{llll}
1 & 0 & 0 & m_{1} \\
0 & 1 & 0 & m_{2} \\
0 & 0 & 1 & m_{3} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & m_{4}
\end{array}\right]
$$

Notice that $m_{4}=\operatorname{det}(M) \equiv \operatorname{deg}(\varphi)=p^{2}(\bmod \ell)$. Since $p \equiv 1(\bmod \ell), M$ has the characteristic polynomial

$$
P_{M}(X) \equiv(X-1)^{4}=X^{4}-4 X^{3}+6 X^{2}-4 X+1 \quad(\bmod \ell)
$$

Now $P(X) \equiv P_{M}(X)(\bmod \ell)$. Thus

$$
c_{1} \equiv c_{1}^{2}-c_{2}^{2} D \equiv 1 \quad(\bmod \ell)
$$

since $\ell \neq 2$.
Assume $\ell>D$. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
c_{1} \equiv 1 \quad(\bmod \ell), \quad c_{2} \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell) . \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

By the equations (6) and (7), we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
c_{1}^{2}+c_{2}^{2} D+c_{3}^{2} a+c_{4}^{2} a D+2 c_{3} c_{4} b D & \equiv 1 \\
2 c_{1} c_{2}+c_{3}^{2} b+c_{4}^{2} b D+2 c_{3} c_{4} a & \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell),
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore, by equation (8), the following holds.

$$
\begin{align*}
c_{3}^{2} a+c_{4}^{2} a D+2 c_{3} c_{4} b D & \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell),  \tag{9}\\
c_{3}^{2} b+c_{4}^{2} b D+2 c_{3} c_{4} a & \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell) .
\end{align*}
$$

It follows that

$$
c_{3} c_{4}\left(a^{2}-b^{2} D\right) \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell)
$$

Here $a^{2}-b^{2} D=(a+b \sqrt{D})(a-b \sqrt{D})>0$, since $a \pm b \sqrt{D}>0$. Assume $\ell>a^{2}-b^{2} D$. Then we get $c_{3} c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$. Thus either $c_{3} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$ or $c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$.

Assume $\ell>a$. If $c_{3} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$, then $c_{4}^{2} a D \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$ by equation (9), i.e. $c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$. On the other hand if $c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$, then $c_{3}^{2} a \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$, i.e. $c_{3} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$.

Summing up, $c_{3} \equiv c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$ if $\ell>\max \left\{a, D, a^{2}-b^{2} D\right\}$. But this contradicts $\operatorname{gcd}\left(c_{3}, c_{4}\right)=1$. Therefore $\ell \leq \max \left\{a, D, a^{2}-b^{2} D\right\}$, and the case $D \equiv 2,3$ $(\bmod 4)$ is established.

Now consider the case $D \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$. Since $\omega \bar{\omega}=p$, we now find that

$$
\begin{aligned}
p= & c_{1}^{2}+c_{1} c_{2}+\frac{1}{4} c_{2}^{2}(1+D)+c_{3}^{2}\left(a+\frac{1}{2} b\right)+c_{3} c_{4}\left(\frac{1}{2} b(D+1)+a\right) \\
& +c_{4}^{2}\left(\frac{1}{8} b(3 D+1)+\frac{1}{4} a(D+1)\right), \\
0= & c_{1} c_{2}+\frac{1}{2} c_{2}^{2}+\frac{1}{2} c_{3}^{2} b+c_{3} c_{4}(a+b)+c_{4}^{2}\left(\frac{1}{8} b(D+3)+\frac{1}{2} a\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

The characteristic polynomial of the Frobenius $\varphi$ is given by

$$
\begin{aligned}
P(X)= & X^{4}-\left(4 c_{1}+2 c_{2}\right) X^{3}+\left(2 p+\left(2 c_{1}+c_{2}\right)^{2}-c_{2}^{2} D\right) X^{2} \\
& -\left(4 c_{1}+2 c_{2}\right) p X+p^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Let $\ell \mid n_{2}$ be an odd prime number. As in the case $D \equiv 2,3(\bmod 4)$, the Frobenius $\varphi$ is represented on $\mathcal{J}_{C}[\ell]$ by a matrix $M$ with the characteristic polynomial

$$
P_{M}(X) \equiv X^{4}-4 X^{3}+6 X^{2}-4 X+1 \quad(\bmod \ell)
$$

Since $P(X) \equiv P_{M}(X)(\bmod \ell)$, it follows that

$$
4 c_{1}+2 c_{2} \equiv\left(2 c_{1}+c_{2}\right)^{2}-c_{2}^{2} D \equiv 4 \quad(\bmod \ell)
$$

Assume $\ell>D$. Then

$$
c_{1} \equiv 1 \quad(\bmod \ell), \quad c_{2} \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell)
$$

Now

$$
\begin{aligned}
c_{3}^{2}(8 a+4 b)+c_{3} c_{4}(4 b(D+1)+8 a) & & \\
+c_{4}^{2}(b(3 D+1)+2 a(D+1)) & \equiv 0 & (\bmod \ell) \\
4 c_{3}^{2} b+8 c_{3} c_{4}(a+b)+c_{4}^{2}(b(D+3)+4 a) & \equiv 0 & (\bmod \ell) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore

$$
\begin{align*}
4 c_{3}^{2} a+2 c_{3} c_{4} b(D-1)+c_{4}^{2}(a+b)(D-1) & \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell)  \tag{10}\\
4 c_{3}^{2} b+8 c_{3} c_{4}(a+b)+c_{4}^{2}(b(D+3)+4 a) & \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell)
\end{align*}
$$

It follows that

$$
\left(b^{2}(D-1)-4 a(a+b)\right)\left(2 c_{3} c_{4}-c_{4}^{2}\right) \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell)
$$

Notice that

$$
4 a(a+b)-b^{2}(D-1)=4\left(a+b \frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2}\right)\left(a+b \frac{1-\sqrt{D}}{2}\right)>0
$$

Now assume $\ell>4 a(a+b)-b^{2}(D-1)$. Then

$$
2 c_{3} c_{4}-c_{4}^{2} \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell)
$$

Thus either $c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$ or $c_{4} \equiv 2 c_{3}(\bmod \ell)$.
Assume $\ell>a$. If $c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$, then $c_{3}^{2} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$ by equation (10), i.e. $c_{3} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$. This contradicts $\operatorname{gcd}\left(c_{3}, c_{4}\right)=0$. So $c_{4} \not \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$. Then $c_{4} \equiv 2 c_{3}(\bmod \ell)$. From equation (10) it follows that

$$
c_{4}^{2}(2 b(D-1)+a D) \equiv 0 \quad(\bmod \ell),
$$

i.e. $c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$ if $\ell>2 b(D-1)+a D$. But then $c_{3} \equiv c_{4} \equiv 0(\bmod \ell)$, a contradiction.

Remark 8. The condition $\operatorname{gcd}\left(c_{3}, c_{4}\right)=1$ may be relaxed. In the proof of theorem 7 , we only need $\ell \nmid \operatorname{gcd}\left(c_{3}, c_{4}\right)$.

## 6. Examples

By theorem 7, large prime divisors of the order $N=\left|\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)\right|$ will not divide the divisor $n_{2}$ of $N$. This is useful if we want to determine the possible cyclic subgroups of $\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$.

Example 1. In $K=\mathbb{Q}(i \sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}})$, the prime number

$$
p=15314033922152826237436247359259334919
$$

is the complex norm of the number

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega= & 3913314953099587393-31 \sqrt{2} \\
& +(4483312578+6978049007 \sqrt{2}) i \sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}}
\end{aligned}
$$

The CM method yields a hyperelliptic genus 2 curve $C$ with Jacobian of order

$$
N=234519634968847474692278544362349582158321382804023011720188699330496198748
$$

Since $N=2^{2} \cdot 7^{3} \cdot 17 \cdot 23 \cdot 4993 \cdot r$, where
$r=87556173808919520163329861675989739433243040373597074857097140343$
is a prime number, either

$$
\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \simeq \mathbb{Z} / N \mathbb{Z} \quad \text { or } \quad \mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \simeq \mathbb{Z} / n_{3} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{4} \mathbb{Z}
$$

where $n_{3} \in\{2,7,14\}$.
Example 2. In $K=\mathbb{Q}(i \sqrt{7+\sqrt{5}})$, the prime number

$$
p=14304107096878940330893123933
$$

is the complex norm of the number

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega= & -119599766860084+5279155 \sqrt{5} \\
& +(13860963299+4898901569 \sqrt{5}) i \sqrt{7+\sqrt{5}}
\end{aligned}
$$

The CM method yields a hyperelliptic genus 2 curve $C$ with Jacobian of order

$$
N=204607479838989309536748148297333557447111046976589088984 .
$$

Since $N=2^{3} \cdot 7^{3} \cdot 71 \cdot r$, where

$$
r=1050217015557576630891205130257738047915611254140091
$$

is a prime number, either

$$
\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \simeq \mathbb{Z} / n_{3} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{4} \mathbb{Z}
$$

where $n_{3} \in\{1,2,7,14\}$, or

$$
\mathcal{J}_{C}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \simeq \mathbb{Z} / 2 \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{3} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / n_{4} \mathbb{Z}
$$

where $n_{3} \in\{2,14\}$.

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