

Algebraic Points of any Given Degree on the Affine Curves $y^2 = x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$

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Abstract. We give the set of algebraic points of any given degree of a family curves :

$$\mathcal{C}_p : y^2 = x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \quad \text{with } p \equiv 7 [16]$$

These curves are described by E.V. Flynn and J. Redmond in [4], who showed that the Mordell-Weil group is finite and explained the generators of the torsion group for this family curves.

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1. Introduction and main result

1.1. Introduction

Let \mathcal{C} be a smooth projective plane curve defined over \mathbb{Q} . For all algebraic extension field K of \mathbb{Q} , we denote by $\mathcal{C}(K)$ the set of K -rational points of \mathcal{C} on K and by $\mathcal{C}^{(d)}(\mathbb{Q})$ the set of algebraic points of degree d over \mathbb{Q} . The degree of an algebraic point R is the degree of its field of definition on \mathbb{Q} i.e $\deg(R) = [\mathbb{Q}(R) : \mathbb{Q}]$. A famous theorem of Faltings [3] shows that if \mathcal{C} is a smooth projective plane curve defined over K of genus $g \geq 2$, then $\mathcal{C}(K)$ is finite. Faltings's proof is still ineffective in the sense that it does not provide an algorithm for computing $\mathcal{C}(K)$.

Currently for curve \mathcal{C} defined over a numbers field K of genus $g \geq 2$, there is no know algorithm for computing the set $\mathcal{C}(K)$ or for deciding if $\mathcal{C}(K)$ is empty. But there is a bag of strikes that can be used to show that $\mathcal{C}(K)$ is empty, or to determine $\mathcal{C}(K)$ if it is not empty. These include local method, Chabauty method [2], Descent method [5], Mordell-Weil sieves method [1]. These methods often succeed with less than full knowledge of the jacobian of the curve. If it is finite it is not hard to determine $\mathcal{C}(Q)$ and to generalize for all number field K .

The purpose of this note is to determine a parametrization of the set $\mathcal{C}_p^{(l)}(\mathbb{Q})$ on the curve

$$\mathcal{C}_p : y^2 = x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \quad \text{with } p \equiv 7 [16]$$

The curve \mathcal{C}_p studied in [4], has rank 0 when $p \equiv 7[16]$, so the Mordell-Weil groupe of the jacobian $\mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q})$ is finite.

We denote by \mathcal{J} the Jacobian of \mathcal{C}_p and by $j(P)$ the class $[P - \infty]$ of $P - \infty$, i.e. j is the Jacobian folding :

$$\begin{aligned} j : \mathcal{C}_p &\longrightarrow \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q}), \\ P &\longmapsto [P - \infty] \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q})$ represents the Mordell-Weil group of rational points of the Jacobian of \mathcal{C}_p ; this group is finite (cf. [4]).

1.2. Main result

Our main result is the following theorem :

Theorem 1.1. *The set of algebraic points of degree at most l on \mathbb{Q} on the curve \mathcal{C}_p of affine equation $y^2 = x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$ is given by :*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} &= \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \left(\bigcup_{k \in \{0, 1, 2\}} \mathcal{F}_2^k \right) \cup \left(\bigcup_{\substack{\ell, j \in \{0, 1, 2\} \\ \ell \neq j}} \mathcal{F}_3^{\ell, j} \right) \cup \mathcal{F}_4 \\ \text{with :} \quad \mathcal{F}_1 &= \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{l} x, -\frac{\sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j x^j} \end{array} \right) \mid \begin{array}{l} a_0 \text{ and } b_0 \text{ not simultaneously zero,} \\ a_{\frac{l}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ if } l \text{ is even, } b_{\frac{l-5}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ if } l \\ \text{is odd and } x \text{ is a solution} \\ \text{of the equation :} \end{array} \right\} \\ &\quad \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \\ \mathcal{F}_2^k &= \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{l} x, -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i (x^i + \delta_k^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j} \end{array} \right) \mid \begin{array}{l} a_{\frac{l+1}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ if } l \text{ is even, } b_{\frac{l-4}{2}} \neq 0 \\ \text{if } l \text{ is odd and } x \text{ solution of} \\ \text{the equation :} \end{array} \right\} \\ &\quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \delta_k^i}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 (x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \\ &\quad \text{with} \\ &\quad \delta_0 = 0, \quad \delta_1 = -2p \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_2 = -4p \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_3^{\ell,j} = \left\{ \left(\left(x, -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \omega^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j} \right) \mid \begin{array}{l} a_{\frac{l+2}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ si } l \text{ is even, } b_{\frac{l-3}{2}} \neq 0 \\ \text{if } l \text{ is odd and } x \text{ solution of} \\ \text{the equation :} \end{array} \right) \right. \\ \left. \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \omega^i}{x} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^{j-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 (x+2p)(x+4p)(x^2-8p^2) \right. \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{with} \\ \omega^i = -\frac{1}{2} (\delta_\ell^i + \delta_j^i) \text{ and } \delta_\ell, \delta_j \in \{0, -2p, -4p\}, \text{ such that } \delta_\ell \neq \delta_j \\ \text{and } \delta_0 = 0, \delta_1 = -2p \text{ and } \delta_2 = -4p \end{array} \right) \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_4 = \left\{ \left(\left(x, -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \nu^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^j} \right) \mid \begin{array}{l} a_{\frac{l+2}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ if } l \text{ is even, } b_{\frac{l-3}{2}} \neq 0 \\ \text{if } l \text{ is odd } x \text{ solution of} \\ \text{the equation :} \end{array} \right) \right. \\ \left. \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \nu^i}{x} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^{j-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 (x+2p)(x+4p)(x^2-8p^2) \right. \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{with} \\ \nu^i = -\frac{1}{2} \left((2i\sqrt{2}p)^i + (-2i\sqrt{2}p)^i \right) \end{array} \right) \right\}.$$

2. Auxiliary results

For a divisor D on \mathcal{C}_p , let $\mathcal{L}(D)$ denote the $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ -vector space of rational functions f defined over \mathbb{Q} such that $f = 0$ or $\text{div}(f) \geq -D$; $l(D)$ denotes the $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ -dimension of $\mathcal{L}(D)$.

Lemma 2.1. *We have : $\mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$*

Proof. See[4]

□

Let P_0, P_1, P_2 and P_∞ be the points of \mathcal{C}_p , defined by : $P_0 = [0 : 0 : 1]$, $P_1 = [-2p : 0 : 1]$, $P_2 = [-4p : 0 : 1]$, $P_3 = [2\sqrt{2}p : 0 : 1]$, $P_4 = [-2\sqrt{2}p : 0 : 1]$ and $P_\infty = [0 : 1 : 0]$.

We have the following lemma :

Lemma 2.2. *For curve $\mathcal{C}_p : y^2 = x(x+2p)(x+4p)(x^2-8p^2)$. We have :*

(i) $div(x) = 2P_0 - 2P_\infty,$

(ii) $div(y) = P_0 + P_1 + P_2 + P_3 + P_4 - 5P_\infty.$

Proof. Let x, y be the affine coordinates and X, Y, Z the projective coordinates, $x = \frac{X}{Z}$ and $y = \frac{Y}{Z}$.

(i) $div(x) = div\left(\frac{X}{Z}\right) = (X = 0) \cdot \mathcal{C}_p - (Z = 0) \cdot \mathcal{C}_p \quad (**).$

- For $X = 0$, it follows from $(**)$ that : $Y^2 = 0$ where $Z^3 = 0$.
This gives the points : $P_0 = [0 : 0 : 1]$ and $P_\infty = [0 : 1 : 0]$ with a the order of the multiplication 2 and 3 respectively.

$$(X = 0) \cdot \mathcal{C}_p = 2P_0 + 3P_\infty \quad (1)$$

- Similarly for $Z = 0$, this implies that : $X^5 = 0$.
We therefore obtain the point $P_\infty = [0 : 1 : 0]$ with a multiplicitous order equal to 5. Hence

$$(Z = 0) \cdot \mathcal{C}_p = 5P_\infty. \quad (2)$$

From relations (1) and (2), we deduce that :

$$div(x) = 2P_0 - 2P_\infty.$$

- (ii) let's calculate : $div(x - \eta_k)$ for $\eta_k \in \{-2p, -4p, 2\sqrt{2}p, -2\sqrt{2}p\}$ with $P_k = [\eta_k : 0 : 1]$. We have

$$div(x - \eta_k) = (X = \eta_k Z) \cdot \mathcal{C}_p - (Z = 0) \cdot \mathcal{C}_p$$

- For $X = \eta_k Z$, it follows that : $Y^2 = 0$ or $Z^3 = 0$. This gives the points $P_k = [\eta_k : 0 : 1]$ and $P_\infty = [0 : 1 : 0]$ with a multiplicative order 2 et 3 respectively. Hence

$$(X = Z) \cdot \mathcal{C}_p = 2P_k + 3P_\infty. \quad (3)$$

- For $Z = 0$, we find the relation (2).
Thus from relations (2) and (3), we deduce that :

$$div(x - \eta_k) = 2P_k - 2P_\infty.$$

- We have :

$$y^2 = \prod_{k=0}^4 (x - \eta_k) \implies 2div(y) = \sum_{k=0}^4 div(x - \eta_k)$$

so $div(y) = P_0 + P_1 + P_2 + P_3 + P_4 - 5P_\infty.$

□

Corollary 2.3. *The following results are the consequences of Lemma 2*

- $j(P_0) + j(P_1) + j(P_2) + j(P_3) + j(P_4) = 0$,
- $2j(P_0) = 2j(P_1) = 2j(P_2) = 2j(P_3) = 2j(P_4) = 0$

The following lemma give a basis of $\mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q})$.

Lemma 2.4. $\mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q}) = \langle [P_0 - P_\infty], [P_1 - P_\infty], [P_2 - P_\infty] \rangle$.

Proof. See [4]

□

Remark 2.5. *We have $\mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q}) = \langle j(P_0), j(P_1), j(P_2) \rangle$*

For all $x \in \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q})$, $x = n_0j(P_0) + n_1j(P_1) + n_2j(P_2)$ whith $n_k \in \{0, 1\}$ for all $k \in \{0, 1, 2\}$.

Lemma 2.6. *A \mathbb{Q} -base of $\mathcal{L}(mP_\infty)$ is given by :*

$$\mathcal{B}_m = \left\{ x^i, 0 \leq i \leq \frac{m}{2} \right\} \cup \left\{ yx^j, 0 \leq j \leq \frac{m-5}{2} \right\}$$

Proof. It is easy to show that \mathcal{B}_m is a free family, it then remains to show that $\text{card } \mathcal{B}_m = \dim \mathcal{L}(mP_\infty)$. Since the curve is of genus 2 (see [4]), according to the Riemann-Roch theorem, we have $\dim \mathcal{L}(mP_\infty) = m - g + 1 = m - 1$ dès que $m \geq 2g - 1 = 3$. Two cases are possible :

1st case : suppose that m is even, then $m = 2h$, we get :

$$\begin{aligned} i \leq \frac{m}{2} &\Leftrightarrow i \leq \frac{2h}{2} = h \text{ the same } j \leq \frac{m-5}{2} \Leftrightarrow j \leq \frac{2h-5}{2} \Leftrightarrow j \leq h - \frac{5}{2} \\ &\implies j < h - \frac{4}{2} = h - 2 \implies j \leq h - 3. \text{ So we have :} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_m = \left\{ 1, x, \dots, x^h \right\} \cup \left\{ y, yx, \dots, yx^{h-3} \right\}.$$

It follows that :

$$\text{card } \mathcal{B}_m = h + 1 + h - 3 + 1 = 2h - 1 = m - 1 = \dim \mathcal{L}(mP_\infty).$$

2nd case : suppose that m is odd, then $m = 2h + 1$, we get :

$$\begin{aligned} i \leq \frac{m}{2} &\Leftrightarrow i \leq \frac{2h+1}{2} \Leftrightarrow i \leq h + \frac{1}{2} \implies i < h + 1 \implies i \leq h \text{ the same} \\ j \leq \frac{m-5}{2} &\Leftrightarrow j \leq \frac{2h-4}{2} = h - 2. \text{ Thus we have :} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_m = \left\{ 1, x, \dots, x^h \right\} \cup \left\{ y, yx, \dots, yx^{h-2} \right\}.$$

It follows that :

$$\text{card } \mathcal{B}_m = h + 1 + h - 2 + 1 = 2h = m - 1 = \dim \mathcal{L}(mP_\infty).$$

□

3. Proof of the main theorem

Let $R \in \mathcal{C}_p(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ with $[\mathbb{Q}(R) : \mathbb{Q}] = l$. Consider R_1, \dots, R_l the Galois conjugates of R and let $t = [R_1 + \dots + R_l - lP_\infty] \in \mathcal{J}(\mathbb{Q})$. From Remark 1, we have $t = -n_0j(P_0) - n_1j(P_1) + n_2j(P_2)$ with $n_k \in \{0, 1\}$ for all $k \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ and hence

$$[R_1 + \dots + R_l - lP_\infty] = \left[\left(\sum_{k=0}^2 n_k \right) P_\infty - n_0P_0 - n_1P_1 - n_2P_2 \right]$$

with $n_k \in \{0, 1\}$ for all $k \in \{0, 1, 2\}$. This gives the following formula

$$\left[R_1 + \dots + R_l + n_0P_0 + n_1P_1 + n_2P_2 - \left(l + \sum_{k=0}^2 n_k \right) P_\infty \right] = 0$$

with $n_k, k \in \{0, 1, 2\} \in \{0, 1\}$. According to Abel Jacobi's theorem ([?, page 156]), there exists a rational function f defined on \mathbb{Q} such that :

$$\text{div}(f) = R_1 + \dots + R_l + n_0P_0 + n_1P_1 + n_2P_2 - \left(l + \sum_{k=0}^2 n_k \right) P_\infty \quad (\star)$$

Four cases are possible :

Case 1: $n_k = 0, \forall i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$.

The formula (\star) becomes : $\text{div}(f) = R_1 + \dots + R_l - lP_\infty$, donc $f \in \mathcal{L}(lP_\infty)$. According

to Lemma 4, we have : $f = \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j y x^j$ with b_0 and a_0 not simultaneously all zero (otherwise one of the R_i should be equal to P_0 , which would be absurd), $a_{\frac{l}{2}} \neq 0$ if l is even (otherwise one of R_i should be equal to P_∞ , which would be absurd) and $b_{\frac{l-5}{2}} \neq 0$ if l is odd (otherwise one of R_i should be equal to P_∞ , which would be absurd). At point

R_1 , we have : $\sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j y x^j = 0$, implying that,

$$y = - \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j x^j}.$$

By replacing the value of y in the expression of the equation of the curve, we obtain :

$$\left(\frac{\sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i}{-\frac{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j x^j}{2}} \right)^2 = x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$$

this equation can be written :

$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \quad (4)$$

Expression (4) is an equation of degree l in x . Indeed, whatever the parity of l , the first member of equation (4) has degree $2 \times \left(\frac{l}{2}\right) = l$ and the second member has degree $2 \times \left(\frac{l-5}{2}\right) + 5 = l$.

This gives a family of points of degree l :

$$\mathcal{F}_1 = \left\{ \left(x, -\frac{\sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j x^j} \right) \mid \begin{array}{l} a_0 \text{ and } b_0 \text{ not simultaneously zero,} \\ a_{\frac{l}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ if } l \text{ is even, } b_{\frac{l-5}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ if } l \\ \text{is odd and } x \text{ is a solution} \\ \text{of the equation :} \end{array} \right. \\ \left. \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l}{2}} a_i x^i \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-5}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \right\}$$

Case 2: only one of n_k is non-zero with $k \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ and let us denote $P_k = [\delta_k : 0 : 1]$ with $\delta_0 = 0, \delta_1 = -2p$ and $\delta_2 = -4p$.

The formula (\star) becomes : $\text{div}(f) = R_1 + \dots + R_l + P_k - (l + 1)P_\infty$, so $f \in \mathcal{L}((l + 1)P_\infty)$, according to Lemma 4, we have :

$$f = \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i x^i + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j y x^j$$

and since $\text{ord}_{P_k} f = 1$, so $b_0 = -\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i \delta_k^i$ implies that

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i (x^i + \delta_k^i) + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j y x^j$$

with $a_{\frac{l+1}{2}} \neq 0$ if l is even (otherwise one of the R_i should be equal P_∞ , which would be absurd) and $b_{\frac{l-4}{2}} \neq 0$ if l is odd (otherwise one of the R_i should be equal P_∞ , which would be absurd).

At the points R_i , we have :

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i (x^i + \delta_k^i) + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j y x^j = 0,$$

which implies that

$$y = - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i (x^i + \delta_k^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j}.$$

By replacing the value of y in the expression of the equation of the curve, we obtain :

$$\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i (x^i + \delta_k^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j} \right)^2 = x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$$

this equation can be written :

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i (x^i + \delta_k^i) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$$

which also corresponds to the equation :

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \delta_k^i}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 (x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \quad (5)$$

Expression (5) is an equation of degree l . Indeed, whatever the parity of l , the first member of (5) is of degree $2 \times \left(\frac{l+1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) = l$ and the second member is of degree $2 \times \left(\frac{l-4}{2} \right) + 4 = l$.

This gives a family of points of degree l :

$$\mathcal{F}_2^k = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{c} \left(x, -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i (x^i + \delta_k^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j} \right) \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} a_{\frac{l+1}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ if } l \text{ is even, } b_{\frac{l-4}{2}} \neq 0 \\ \text{if } l \text{ is odd and } x \text{ solution of} \\ \text{the equation :} \end{array} \\ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+1}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \delta_k^i}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 (x+2p)(x+4p)(x^2-8p^2) \\ \text{with } \delta_0 = 0, \quad \delta_1 = -2p \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_2 = -4p \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

Case 3: Only two of n_k are non-zero, and let's denote n_ℓ and n_j with $P_\ell = [\delta_\ell : 0 : 1]$ and $P_j = [\delta_j : 0 : 1]$ with $\delta_\ell, \delta_j \in \{0, -2p, -4p\}$, such as $\delta_\ell \neq \delta_j$ and $\ell, j \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ such that $\ell \neq j$. The formula (\star) becomes :

$$\text{div}(f) = R_1 + \dots + R_l + P_\ell + P_j - (l+2)P_\infty$$

so $f \in \mathcal{L}((l+2)P_\infty)$, according to Lemma 4, we have :

$$f = \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i x^i + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j y x^j \text{ and since } \text{ord}_{P_\ell} f = \text{ord}_{P_j} f = 1, \text{ results in so :}$$

$$b_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (\delta_\ell^i + \delta_j^i) \right).$$

By posing : $\omega^i = -\frac{1}{2} (\delta_\ell^i + \delta_j^i)$, we hence $b_0 = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i \omega^i$ implies that

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \omega^i) + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j y x^j$$

with $a_{\frac{l+2}{2}} \neq 0$ if l is even (otherwise one of the R_i should be equal P_∞ , which would be absurd) and $b_{\frac{l-3}{2}} \neq 0$ si l is odd (otherwise one of the R_i should be equal P_∞ , which would be absurd).

At point R_i , we have : $\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \omega^i) + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j y x^j = 0$, which implies that

$$y = - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \omega^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^j}.$$

By replacing the value of y in the expression of the equation of the curve, we obtain :

$$\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \omega^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^j} \right)^2 = x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$$

this equation can be written :

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \omega^i) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$$

This also corresponds to the equation :

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \omega^i}{x} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^{j-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 (x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \quad (6)$$

Expression (6) is an equation of degree l . Indeed : whatever the parity of l , the first member of equation (6) is of degree $2 \times \left(\frac{l+2}{2} - 1 \right) = l$ and the second member is of degree

$2 \times \left(\frac{l-3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 4 = l$. This gives a point family of degree l :

$$\mathcal{F}_3^{\ell,j} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left(\begin{array}{l} \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \omega^i) \\ x, -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \omega^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-4}{2}} b_j x^j} \end{array} \right) \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} a_{\frac{l+2}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ si } l \text{ is even, } b_{\frac{l-3}{2}} \neq 0 \\ \text{if } l \text{ is odd and } x \text{ solution of} \\ \text{the equation :} \end{array} \right. \\ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \omega^i}{x} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^{j-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 (x+2p)(x+4p)(x^2-8p^2) \\ \text{with} \\ \omega^i = -\frac{1}{2}(\delta_\ell^i + \delta_j^i) \text{ and } \delta_\ell, \delta_j \in \{0, -2p, -4p\}, \text{ such as } \delta_\ell \neq \delta_j \\ \ell, j \in \{0, 1, 2\} \text{ such that } \ell \neq j \text{ and } \delta_0 = 0, \delta_1 = -2p \text{ and } \delta_2 = -4p \end{array} \right.$$

Case 4 : none of the n_k are zero. The formula (\star) becomes :

$\text{div}(f) = R_1 + \dots + R_l + P_3 + P_4 - (l+2)P_\infty$, so $f \in \mathcal{L}((l+2)P_\infty)$, according

to Lemma 4, we have : $f = \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i x^i + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j y x^j$, and since $\text{ord}_{P_3} f = \text{ord}_{P_4} f = 1$ and

$\text{ord}_{P_3} f = 1$, results in so : $b_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i \left((2i\sqrt{2p})^i + (-2i\sqrt{2p})^i \right) \right)$.

By positing : $\nu^i = -\frac{1}{2} \left((2i\sqrt{2p})^i + (-2i\sqrt{2p})^i \right)$, we hence : $b_0 = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \nu^i)$,

implies that

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \nu^i) + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j y x^j$$

with $b_{\frac{l+2}{2}} \neq 0$ if l is even (otherwise one of the R_i should be equal P_∞ , which would be absurd) and $b_{\frac{l-4}{2}} \neq 0$ if l is odd (otherwise one of the R_i should be equal P_∞ , which would be absurd).

At point R_i , we have : $\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \nu^i) + \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j y x^j = 0$, implying that,

$$y = - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \nu^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^j}.$$

By replacing the value of y in the expression of the equation of the curve, we obtain :

$$\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \nu^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^j} \right)^2 = x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$$

this equation can be written :

$$\left(a \left(x^{\frac{5}{2}} + \mu \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \nu^i) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^j \right)^2 x(x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2)$$

which also corresponds to the equation :

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \nu^i}{x} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^{j-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 (x + 2p)(x + 4p)(x^2 - 8p^2) \quad (7)$$

Expression (7) is an equation of degree l . Indeed : whatever the parity of l , the first member of equation (7) is of degree $2 \left(\frac{l+2}{2} - 1 \right) = l$ and the second member is of degree

$2 \left(\frac{2 \times \binom{l-3}{2} - 1}{2} \right) + 6 = l$. This gives a family of points of degree l :

$$\mathcal{F}_4 = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{l} \left(x, -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i (x^i + \nu^i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^j} \right) \\ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\frac{l+2}{2}} a_i \left(\frac{x^i + \nu^i}{x} \right) \right)^2 = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{l-3}{2}} b_j x^{j-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 (x+2p)(x+4p)(x^2-8p^2) \\ \text{with} \\ \nu^i = -\frac{1}{2} \left((2i\sqrt{2p})^i + (-2i\sqrt{2p})^i \right) \end{array} \right. \left. \begin{array}{l} a_{\frac{l+2}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ if } l \text{ is even, } b_{\frac{l-3}{2}} \neq 0 \\ \text{if } l \text{ is odd } x \text{ solution of} \\ \\ \text{the equation :} \end{array} \right\}$$

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