# Point Compression and Coordinate Recovery for Edwards Curves over Finite Field 

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#### Abstract

We present two computational approaches for the purpose of point compression and decompression on Edwards curves over the finite field $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ where $p$ is an odd prime. The proposed algorithms allow compression and decompression for the $x$ or $y$ affine coordinates. We also present a $x$-coordinate recovery algorithm that can be used at any stage of a differential addition chain during the scalar multiplication of a point on the Edwards curve.


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## 1 Introduction

The first part of the present paper proposes compression and decompression algorithms for points on an Edwards curve over the finite field $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ where $p$ is an odd prime. Edwards curves have played prominent roles in recent ECM (Elliptic Curve Method) applications. The most notable is the GMP-EECM software [5] based on which the authors claim to set speed records in ECM.

Point compression allows efficient storage and saves communication bandwidth in applications related to elliptic curve cryptography. The affine coordinate compression and decompression of a single point on a Weierstraß curve
are described in the IEEE Standard IEEE Std 1363-2000 for Public-Key Cryptography [4]. It specifies $x$-coordinate compression and decompression algorithms for binary fields $\mathbb{F}_{2^{m}}$, and $y$-coordinate compression and decompression algorithms for both binary field and $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ where $p$ is an odd prime. Using cubic residue theorems, $[2]$ is able to compress and decompress the $x$ coordinate of a single point on Weierstraß curves over $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ where $p>3$. Double point compression and decompression algorithms for the $y$-coordinates are proposed in [3] for Weierstraß curves.

Technically, an Edwards curve is not an elliptic curve due to its singularities. However, every Edwards curve is birationally equivalent to an elliptic curve in Weierstraß form. Due to symmetry of the Edwards curve, our proposed compression and decompression algorithms work for both $x$ coordinates or $y$-coordinates. This becomes an advantage when one encounters a point with one coordinate size much larger than the other.

We present two approaches in this paper. The first method follows the standard approach as suggested in [4]. The compression of a point involves keeping a binary signature of the coordinate. The decompression stage is a little different in the sense: one needs to compute a square root and an inversion for completing the decompression process. This approach allows a natural generalization to $n$ points compression, see section 3 . When $p$ is large with respect to $n$, one is capable of achieving a near $50 \%$ compression ratio. Although taking square roots in finite field can be achieved by polynomial time algorithms, our benchmark tests show that the square root operation in practice can be quite time consuming when the field size $p$ is large. The second method avoids taking square roots at the cost of extracting the compressed coordinates from the curve equation and prescribed algebraic relations, see section 4 . This method was pioneered in [3] for compressing the $y$-coordinates of points on Weierstraß curves. We present the analogies for Edwards curves in sections 4.1 and 4.2. Our benchmark tests show that the second method is much more efficient than the square root approach when $p$ is large.

To speed up elliptic curve arithmetics, it is possible to add (or double) points omitting one of the coordinates. This is the case for Montgomery curves which are featured in the GMP-ECM software [8]. One can carry out points addition, doubling on Montgomery curves using only $(X, Z)$ projective coordinates. The scalar multiplication of a point can be achieved by using a differential addition chain (sometimes known as Lucas chain). Following this approach, one is able to avoid completely the arithmetic cost incurred by one of the coordinates during all stages of a computation. Differential arithmetic formula also exists for the Edwards curve setting (using only $(Y, Z)$ coordinates), see [1,12].

In the second part of the paper, we investigate the following question: using a differential addition chain, how can one recover the missing coordinate at the final stage of a scalar multiplication computation? This question is investigated in [9] for Montgomery curves, and [1] for Edwards curves. Let $[n] P$ be the $n$-fold of a point $P$ on a curve. In recovering the missing coordinate of $[n] P$, all the above approaches require partial coordinate information of the points $P,[n] P,[n+1] P$ in addition to the curve parameters. To obtain information of the point $[n+1] P$ during the computation of $[n] P$ is not practical as the computation of $[n+1] P$ does not come generally as a byproduct during any stage of computing $[n] P$.

In section 5, we present a novel $x$-coordinate recovering algorithm for Edwards curves. The algorithm is able to bypass information about $[n+1] P$ during the recovery of the missing $x$-coordinate of $[n] P$.

The plan of the paper is the following. We recall basic facts about Edwards curves in section 2. The two compression/decompression approaches are presented in section 3 and section 4, respectively. The probabilistic coordinate recovering algorithm is proved in section 5 . Section 6 contains timing benchmarks for the decompression algorithms described in the previous sections.

### 1.1 Notation

We use the following notations in tabulating the cost incurred by the arithmetic operations. The notations SQ, S, M, I signify the field operations: taking square root, squaring, multiplication, and inversion, respectively.

## 2 Background on Edwards Curves

Edwards curves are given by equations of the form

$$
E_{c, d}: x^{2}+y^{2}=c^{2}\left(1+d x^{2} y^{2}\right),
$$

where $c, d$ are curve parameters in a field $k$ of characteristic different from 2 , and $c, d \neq 0$ and $d c^{4} \neq 1$.

The addition law is defined by the formula:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right) \mapsto\left(\frac{x_{1} y_{2}+y_{1} x_{2}}{c\left(1+d x_{1} x_{2} y_{1} y_{2}\right)}, \frac{y_{1} y_{2}-x_{1} x_{2}}{c\left(1-d x_{1} x_{2} y_{1} y_{2}\right)}\right) . \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

For this addition law, the point $(0, c)$ is the neutral element. The inverse of a point $P=(x, y)$ is $-P=(-x, y)$. In particular, $(0,-c)$ has order $2 ;(c, 0)$
and $(-c, 0)$ are the points of order 4 . When the curve parameter $d$ is not a square in $k$, then the addition law (2.1) is complete (i.e. defined for all inputs). Every Edwards curve is bi-rationally equivalent to an elliptic curve in Weierstraß form.

For the rest of the paper, we shall restrict our discussion to those curves with $c=1$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{d}=E_{1, d}: x^{2}+y^{2}=1+d x^{2} y^{2} \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

All the algorithms in the paper work for both $E_{c, d}$ and $E_{d}$.

## 3 Square Root Approach

The algorithms 1 and 2 describe for $n$ points compression and decompression. The compression/decompression is performed on the $x$-coordinates and can be adapted to the $y$-coordinates compression/decompression exactly the same way. For example when $n=1$, to optimize the compression ratio, one should align the compression choice with the larger of the two coordinates. For a single point, our compression method follows the standard approach as described in [4]. The generalization to $n$ points is quite natural, the idea is to concatenate each bit of binary signature to form a $n$-bits string. The compression algorithm 1 during the loop keeps the signature string $S$ updated by adding the current bit of binary signature.

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Algorithm \(1 x\)-coordinate compression for \(n\) points
Input: \(\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right), \ldots,\left(x_{n}, y_{n}\right)\) on \(E_{d}\)
Output: ( \(S, y_{1}, y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}\) ) in compressed format
    \(S \leftarrow N U L L\)
    for \(i=1\) to \(n\) do
        \(\bar{x} \leftarrow x_{i}(\bmod 2)\)
        \(S=S \| \bar{x}\)
    end for
    return \(\left(S, y_{1}, y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}\right)\)
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Algorithm \(2 x\)-coordinate decompression for \(n\) points
Input: \(\left(S, y_{1}, y_{2}, \ldots, y_{n}\right)\)
Output: \(\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right), \ldots,\left(x_{n}, y_{n}\right)\) on \(E_{d}\)
    for \(i=1\) to \(n\) do
        \(A \leftarrow \frac{1-y_{i}^{2}}{1-d y_{i}^{2}}(\bmod p)\)
        \(x_{i} \leftarrow \sqrt{A}(\bmod p)\)
        if \(x_{i}(\bmod 2) \neq S[i]\) then
            \(x_{i}=-x_{i}(\bmod P)\)
        end if
    end for
    return \(\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right), \ldots,\left(x_{n}, y_{n}\right)\)
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| Decompression Type | Max Storage Space | Arithmetic Cost |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| single point | $\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil+1$ | $1 \mathbf{S Q}+1 \mathbf{S}+1 \mathbf{M}+1 \mathbf{I}$ |
| $n$ points | $n\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil+n$ | $n \mathbf{S Q}+n \mathbf{S}+n \mathbf{M}+n \mathbf{I}$ |

Table 1: Cost for single and multiple points decompressions
The decompression algorithm 2 is correct because given the $y$-coordinate of a point $(x, y)$ on the Edwards Curve $E_{d}$, we may solve for $x^{2}$ using the definition of the curve (2.2)

$$
A=\frac{1-y^{2}}{1-d y^{2}} .
$$

The field inversion is valid because the point is well defined. Taking square root of $A$ in $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ gives rise to 2 solutions. Furthermore the 2 solutions are distinct because the field characteristic is odd. Thus the binary bit $\bar{x}$ uniquely identifies $x$.

The cost of the decompression algorithm is recorded in Table 1. These are the worst case scenarios which happen when $n$ points given are distinct. Regarding the max storage space, one should keep in mind the max storage required for a single uncompressed point ( $x, y$ ) (resp. $n$ uncompressed points) is $2\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil$ (resp. $2 n\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil$ ).

## 4 Second Approach

We present in this section a second approach. Section 4.1 describes compression and decompression algorithms for two points. Section 4.2 describes
algorithms in the case of three points. They are analogous to the Weierstraß curve approaches as presented in [3].

### 4.1 Double Points Compression

The compression algorithm 3 takes two points on Edwards curve as input, and outputs a triple in the compressed format. There are two cases to consider. In the case $x_{1}+x_{2}=0$ (line 1-3): we have $y_{1}= \pm y_{2}$ because $y_{1}^{2}=y_{2}^{2}$. So we need only to store the binary signature $\overline{y_{2}}$, and the decompression of $y_{2}$ is identical to the single point decompression case described in algorithm 2. Finally we recover $x_{2}$ as $x_{2}=-x_{1}$.

In the other case: $x_{1}+x_{2} \neq 0$ (line 4-6), we store the triple ( $S, y_{1}, y_{2}$ ). The decompression from the triple is described in algorithm 4. It relies on the arithmetic identity:

$$
\begin{equation*}
x_{1}=\frac{x_{1}+x_{2}}{2}+\frac{x_{1}^{2}-x_{2}^{2}}{2\left(x_{1}+x_{2}\right)}=\frac{S}{2}+\frac{A_{1}-A_{2}}{2 S} \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the parameters $S, A_{1}, A_{2}$ are as defined in algorithm 4. Finally, we can recover $x_{2}$ as $x_{2}=-x_{1}$.

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Algorithm \(3 x\)-coordinate compression for two points
Input: \(\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right)\) on \(E_{d}\)
Output: a triple in compressed format
    if \(x_{1}+x_{2}=0(\bmod p)\) then
        \(S=y_{2}(\bmod 2)\)
        return \(\left(S, x_{1}, y_{1}\right)\)
    else
        \(S \leftarrow x_{1}+x_{2}(\bmod p)\)
        return \(\left(S, y_{1}, y_{2}\right)\)
    end if
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\(\overline{\text { Algorithm } 4 x \text {-coordinate decompression for two points assuming } x_{1}+x_{2} \neq}\)
0
Input: \(\left(S, y_{1}, y_{2}\right)\) in compressed format
Output: \(\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right)\) on \(E_{d}\)
    \(: A_{1} \leftarrow \frac{1-y_{1}^{2}}{1-d y_{1}^{2}}(\bmod p)\)
    \(A_{2} \leftarrow \frac{1-y_{2}^{2}}{1-d y_{2}^{2}}(\bmod p)\)
    \(x_{1}=\frac{S}{2}+\frac{A_{1}-A_{2}}{2 S}(\bmod p)\)
    \(x_{2}=S-x_{1}(\bmod p)\)
    return \(\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right)\)
```

| Decompression Type | Max Storage Space | Arithmetic Cost |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $x_{1}+x_{2}=0$ | $2\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil+1$ | $1 \mathbf{S Q}+1 \mathbf{M}+1 \mathbf{I}$ |
| $x_{1}+x_{2} \neq 0$ | $3\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil$ | $2 \mathbf{S}+3 \mathbf{M}+3 \mathbf{I}$ |

Table 2: Cost for Double Points Decompression

### 4.2 Triple Points Compression

The compression algorithm 5 takes three points on an Edwards curve as input, and outputs a point in the compressed format. There are three cases to consider. If $x_{1}^{2}=x_{2}^{2}=x_{3}^{2}$ (line 1-4): we have without loss of generality $x_{2}=x_{3}= \pm x_{1}$. So the recovery of $x_{2}, x_{3}$ as before requires only the binary signatures $\overline{x_{2}}, \overline{x_{3}}$ in addition to their respective $y$-coordinates. If only two of $x_{i}$ 's satisfy $x_{i}^{2}=x_{j}^{2}$ (line 5-16), the recovery of $x_{j}$ requires only the binary signature $\overline{x_{j}}$, and we are reduced to the case of double points compression (algorithm 3).

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Algorithm \(5 x\)-coordinate compression for three points
Input: \(\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right),\left(x_{3}, y_{3}\right)\) on \(E_{d}\)
Output: a point in compressed format
    if \(x_{1}^{2}=x_{2}^{2}=x_{3}^{2}\) then
        \(\overline{x_{2}}=x_{2}(\bmod 2)\)
        \(\overline{x_{3}}=x_{3}(\bmod 2)\)
        return \(\left(x_{1}, y_{1}, y_{2}, y_{3}, \overline{x_{2}}, \overline{x_{3}}\right)\)
    else if \(x_{1}^{2}=x_{2}^{2}, x_{2}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}\) then
        \(\overline{x_{1}}=x_{1}(\bmod 2)\)
        \(A \leftarrow x_{2}+x_{3}\)
        return \(\left(A, y_{1}, y_{2}, y_{3}, \overline{x_{1}}\right)\)
    else if \(x_{1}^{2}=x_{3}^{2}, x_{1}^{2} \neq x_{2}^{2}\) then
        \(\overline{x_{3}}=x_{3}(\bmod 2)\)
        \(A \leftarrow x_{1}+x_{2}\)
        return \(\left(A, y_{1}, y_{2}, y_{3}, \overline{x_{3}}\right)\)
    else if \(x_{2}^{2}=x_{3}^{2}, x_{1}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}\) then
        \(\overline{x_{2}}=x_{2}(\bmod 2)\)
        \(A \leftarrow x_{1}+x_{3}\)
        return \(\left(A, y_{1}, y_{2}, y_{3}, \overline{x_{2}}\right)\)
    else if \(x_{1}^{2} \neq x_{2}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}\) and \(x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3} \neq 0\) then
        \(A \leftarrow x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3}\)
        return \(\left(A, y_{1}, y_{2}, y_{3}\right)\)
    else
        \(A \leftarrow x_{2}+x_{3}\)
        return \(\left(A, y_{2}, y_{3}\right)\)
    end if
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In the last case $x_{1}^{2} \neq x_{2}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}$ (line 17-22), there are two sub-cases. When $x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3} \neq 0$, we may define $A=x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3}$ and returns $\left(A, y_{1}, y_{2}, y_{3}\right)$ as an output of the compression algorithm. To decompress (algorithm 6), we first calculate $B_{1}, B_{2}, B_{3}\left(\operatorname{Alg} 6\right.$ : line 1-3). The $x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}(\operatorname{Alg} 6:$ line 4-6) are well defined because

$$
B_{i}=A^{2}+x_{i}^{2}-\sum_{j \neq i} x_{j}^{2}=2 \prod_{j \neq i}\left(x_{i}+x_{j}\right) \neq 0 .
$$

The correctness of the identities (Alg 6: line 4-6) can be verified straight-
forward as:

$$
\begin{aligned}
x_{i} & =\left(2 \prod_{j \neq i} x_{j}\right)^{2}-4 \prod_{j \neq i} x_{j}^{2}+x_{i} \\
& =\left(A^{2}-\sum_{j} x_{j}^{2}-2\left(A x_{i}-x_{i}^{2}\right)\right)^{2}-4 \prod_{j \neq i} x_{j}^{2}+x_{i} \\
& =\left(B_{i}-2 A x_{i}\right)^{2}-4 \prod_{j \neq i} x_{j}^{2}+x_{i} \\
& =B_{i}^{2}-4 A B_{i} x_{i}+4 A^{2} x_{i}^{2}-4 \prod_{j \neq i} x_{j}^{2}+x_{i}
\end{aligned}
$$

which implies

$$
x_{i}=\frac{B_{i}^{2}+4 A^{2} x_{i}^{2}-4 \prod_{j \neq i} x_{j}^{2}}{4 A B_{i}}, \quad i=1,2,3 .
$$

Algorithm $6 x$-coordinate decompression for three points assuming $x_{1}^{2} \neq$ $x_{2}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}, x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3} \neq 0$
Input: $\left(A, y_{1}, y_{2}, y_{3}\right)$
Output: $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right),\left(x_{3}, y_{3}\right)$ on $E_{d}$
: $B_{1}=A^{2}+x_{1}^{2}-x_{2}^{2}-x_{3}^{2}$
2: $B_{2}=A^{2}+x_{2}^{2}-x_{1}^{2}-x_{3}^{2}$
$B_{3}=A^{2}+x_{3}^{2}-x_{1}^{2}-x_{2}^{2}$
$x_{1}=\frac{B_{1}^{2}+4 A^{2} x_{1}^{2}-4 x_{2}^{2} x_{3}^{2}}{4 A B_{1}}$
5: $x_{2}=\frac{B_{2}^{2}+4 A^{2} x_{2}^{2}-4 x_{1}^{2} x_{3}^{2}}{4 A B_{2}}$
6: $x_{3}=\frac{B_{3}^{2}+4 A^{2} x_{3}^{2}-4 x_{1}^{2} x_{2}^{2}}{4 A B_{3}}$
7: return $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right),\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right),\left(x_{3}, y_{3}\right)$
This finishes the subcase $x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3} \neq 0$. In the subcase $x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3}=0$ (line 20-22): we have $x_{1}=-\left(x_{2}+x_{3}\right)$. So we are again reduced to the double points case: we can extract (algorithm 4) $\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right),\left(x_{3}, y_{3}\right)$ from $\left(A, y_{2}, y_{3}\right)$. Finally we recover $x_{1}$ as $x_{1}=-\left(x_{2}+x_{3}\right)$.

## 5 Point Recovery

In this section, we present the $x$-coordinate recovery algorithm for Edwards curves. Without the aid of any algorithm, given the $y$-coordinate of a point

| Decompression Type | Max Storage Space | Arithmetic Cost |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $x_{1}^{2}=x_{2}^{2}=x_{3}^{2}$ | $4\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil+2$ | $2 \mathbf{S Q}+2 \mathbf{M}+2 \mathbf{I}$ |
| $x_{1}^{2}=x_{2}^{2}, x_{2}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}$ | $4\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil+1$ | $1 \mathbf{S Q}+2 \mathbf{S}+4 \mathbf{M}+4 \mathbf{I}$ |
| $x_{1}^{2}=x_{3}^{2}, x_{1}^{2} \neq x_{2}^{2}$ | $4\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil+1$ | $1 \mathbf{S Q}+2 \mathbf{S}+4 \mathbf{M}+4 \mathbf{I}$ |
| $x_{2}^{2}=x_{3}^{2}, x_{1}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}$ | $4\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil+1$ | $1 \mathbf{S Q}+2 \mathbf{S}+4 \mathbf{M}+4 \mathbf{I}$ |
| $x_{1}^{2} \neq x_{2}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}, x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3} \neq 0$ | $4\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil$ | $7 \mathbf{S}+9 \mathbf{M}+3 \mathbf{I}$ |
| $x_{1}^{2} \neq x_{2}^{2} \neq x_{3}^{2}, x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3}=0$ | $4\left\lceil\log _{2} p\right\rceil$ | $2 \mathbf{S}+3 \mathbf{M}+3 \mathbf{I}$ |

Table 3: Cost for three points Decompression
on an Edwards curve, one is able to determine the $x$-coordinate up to a sign (i.e. $50 \%$ chance of guessing it right). We first prove in the following:

Proposition 5.1. Let $E_{d}$ be an Edwards curve defined over $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ where $p$ is odd prime. Suppose $d \neq 0,1$, and $d$ is not a square in $\mathbb{F}_{p}$. Let $P=(x, y)$ be a point whose order does not divide 4. Let $x_{n}, y_{n}$ be the affine coordinates of the points $[n] P$. Let $A=1-d y^{2}, B=y^{2}-1$, and $D=\operatorname{gcd}\left(A y_{n}^{2}+B, d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right)$, then we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
d x y x_{n} y_{n} \equiv-1 \quad\left(\bmod \left(d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right) / D\right) \tag{5.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. We derive the above proposition from Theorem 2 of [1] (specialized to the case $c=1$ ). The theorem allows one to express the affine $x$-coordinate of $[n] P$ in terms of the coordinates of the points $P,[n] P,[n+1] P$. Precisely, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
x_{n}=\frac{2 y y_{n} y_{n+1}\left(d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right)-\left(A y_{n}^{2}+B\right)-y_{n+1}^{2}\left(d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right)}{d x y y_{n}\left(A y_{n}^{2}+B-y_{n+1}^{2}\left(d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right)\right)} \tag{5.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A, B, y_{n}$ are as defined in the proposition, and $y_{n+1}$ is the affine $y$ coordinates of the point $[n+1] P$. We may reduce (5.2) modulo $d B y_{n}^{2}+A$ to obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
d x y x_{n} y_{n}\left(A y_{n}^{2}+B\right)=-\left(A y_{n}^{2}+B\right) \quad\left(\bmod d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right) \tag{5.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Dividing away $D=\operatorname{gcd}\left(A y_{n}^{2}+B, d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right)$ in (5.3) gives

$$
d x y x_{n} y_{n} \frac{A y_{n}^{2}+B}{D}=-\frac{A y_{n}^{2}+B}{D} \quad\left(\bmod \frac{d B y_{n}^{2}+A}{D}\right)
$$

And since $\operatorname{gcd}\left(\left(A y_{n}^{2}+B\right) / D,\left(d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right) / D\right)=1$, we have

$$
d x y x_{n} y_{n} \equiv-1 \quad\left(\bmod \left(d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right) / D\right)
$$

Equation 5.1 gives a necessary condition for $x_{n}$ to be the $x$-coordinate of $[n] P$. And this gives us an alternative way of distinguishing the sign of $x_{n}$. Algorithm 7 describes the proposed $x$-coordinate recovery algorithm. The input of the algorithm is a point $P=(x, y)$ and the $y$-coordinate of the point $[n] P$ on the Edwards curve $E_{d}$. The algorithm outputs the $x$-coordinate of $[n] P$.

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Algorithm \(7 x\)-coordinate recovery
Input: \(P=(x, y), y_{n}=y\)-coordinates of \([n] P\) on \(E_{d}\)
Output: \(x_{n}=x\)-coordinates of \([n] P\) if successful.
    \(A \leftarrow 1-d y^{2}(\bmod p)\)
    \(B \leftarrow y^{2}-1(\bmod p)\)
    \(D=\operatorname{gcd}\left(A y_{n}^{2}+B, d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right)\)
    \(C \leftarrow \frac{1-y_{n}^{2}}{1-d y_{n}^{2}}(\bmod p)\)
    \(x_{n} \leftarrow \sqrt{C}(\bmod p)\)
    if \(d x y x_{n} y_{n} \neq-1\left(\bmod \left(d B y_{n}^{2}+A\right) / D\right)\) then
        \(x_{n}=-x_{n}(\bmod p)\)
    end if
    return \(x_{n}\)
```


## 6 Benchmark

We perform timing benchmark for the algorithms described in the previous sections. Specifically in the following, Table 4 and 5 contain benchmark results on the single point compression/decompression algorithm (algorithm 1 and 2 for $n=1$ ), and Table 6 and 7 contain benchmark results on the double points compression/decompression algorithm (algorithm 3 and 4). Table 8 and 9 contain benchmark results on the triple points compression/decompression algorithm (algorithm 5 and 6). Negligible computation time ${ }^{1}$ are registered as NEG in all the tables. The decompression algorithms are timed on batches as well as per decompression operation.

For the benchmark test, we first randomly generate a prime $p$ of a specified bit-length. For a fixed $E_{d}$ over $\mathbb{F}_{p}$, random points on $E_{d}$ are generated upon which the compression and decompression algorithms are benchmarked. To see the impact of the curve parameter $d$ on the benchmark results, a set of $d$ different in size is used. The timing is performed by repeating the

[^0]compression/decompression a fixed number of times. The current set of tests are run on a DELL Precision M6600 Laptop with OS Ubuntu 13.0432 bits, Intel Core i $7-2860 \mathrm{QM}$ CPU @ $2.50 \mathrm{GHz} \times 4$. The test suites are written using the GMP library [6].

The test results show that for both approaches, the compression algorithms require negligible CPU time compared to the decompression algorithms. Furthermore, the complexity of the compression/decompression algorithms directly depends on the size of the base field, and the curve parameter $d$.

The choices of the field size though are much larger than those used in ECC, we have included the test results here as a matter of reference. A full test for small devices using the standard curve sizes (192-521 bits) is planned in the near future.

## 7 Future Work

An important question here is about optimization: how one may incorporate the compression of points in an optimized way into a particular addition chain. Lastly, we plan to test the algorithms in this paper on devices with limited memory and constrained computation power.

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## Appendix A. Timing Benchmark

| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time $(\mathrm{sec})$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 512 | NEG |
| 1024 | NEG |
| 2048 | NEG |
| 4096 | NEG |


| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time $(\mathrm{sec})$ | Time/Decomp. (sec) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 512 | 0.348 | 0.0003 |
| 1024 | 10.02 | 0.010 |
| 2048 | 23.34 | 0.023 |
| 4096 | 128.97 | 0.129 |

(a) Compression single
(b) Decompression single point 1000 times using $E_{d}$ point 1000 times using with $d=3$ $E_{d}$ with $d=3$

Table 4: Benchmark for Algorithm 1 and 2

| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time (sec) | $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time (sec) | Time/Decomp. (sec) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 512 | NEG | 512 | 0.348 | 0.0003 |
| 1024 | 0.004 | 1024 | 9.904 | 0.0099 |
| 2048 | NEG | 2048 | 23.472 | 0.023 |
| 4096 | NEG | 4096 | 129.796 | 0.130 |

(a) Compression single (b) Decompression single point 1000 times using $E_{d}$ point 1000 times using with $d=p-1$
$E_{d}$ with $d=p-1$
Table 5: Benchmark for Algorithm 1 and 2

| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time (sec) | $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time (sec) | Time/Decomp. (sec) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 512 | 0.028 | 512 | 1.132 | 0.001 |
| 1024 | 0.032 | 1024 | 3.748 | 0.004 |
| 2048 | 0.044 | 2048 | 10.536 | 0.011 |
| 4096 | 0.068 | 4096 | 30.16 | 0.030 |

(a) Compression two (b) Decompression two points 50000 times using $E_{d}$ points 50000 times using with $d=3$
$E_{d}$ with $d=3$
Table 6: Benchmark for Algorithm 3 and 4

| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time $(\mathrm{sec})$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 512 | 0.024 |
| 1024 | 0.032 |
| 2048 | 0.044 |
| 4096 | 0.068 |


| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time $(\mathrm{sec})$ | Time/Decomp. (sec) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 512 | 1.188 | 0.001 |
| 1024 | 4.244 | 0.004 |
| 2048 | 11.492 | 0.011 |
| 4096 | 33.424 | 0.033 |

(a) Compression two (b) Decompression two points 50000 times using $E_{d}$ points 50000 times using with $d=p-1$
$E_{d}$ with $d=p-1$
Table 7: Benchmark for Algorithm 3 and 4

| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time (sec) | $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time (sec) | Time/Decomp. (sec) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 512 | 0.036 | 512 | 3.162 | 0.003 |
| 1024 | 0.040 | 1024 | 10.652 | 0.011 |
| 2048 | 0.056 | 2048 | 27.000 | 0.027 |
| 4096 | 0.088 | 4096 | 74.936 | 0.075 |

(a) Compression three
(b) Decompression three points 50000 times using $E_{d}$ points 50000 times using with $d=3$
$E_{d}$ with $d=3$
Table 8: Benchmark for Algorithm 5 and 6

| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time $(\mathrm{sec})$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 512 | 0.036 |
| 1024 | 0.044 |
| 2048 | 0.06 |
| 4096 | 0.084 |

(a) Compression three points 50000 times using $E_{d}$ with $d=p-1$

| $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ | Time (sec) | Time/Decomp. (sec) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 512 | 3.732 | 0.004 |
| 1024 | 11.384 | 0.011 |
| 2048 | 28.584 | 0.029 |
| 4096 | 79.776 | 0.080 |

(b) Decompression two points 50000 times using $E_{d}$ with $d=p-1$

Table 9: Benchmark for Algorithm 5 and 6

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The CPU clock registers 0 sec time lapse

