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Chapter 1

Functions

1.1 factor.ecm – ECM factorization

This module has curve type constants:

S : aka SUYAMA. Suyama’s parameter selection strategy.

B : aka BERNSTEIN. Bernstein’s parameter selection strategy.

A1 : aka ASUNCION1. Asuncion’s parameter selection strategy variant 1.

A2 : aka ASUNCION2. ditto 2.

A3 : aka ASUNCION3. ditto 3.

A4 : aka ASUNCION4. ditto 4.

A5 : aka ASUNCION5. ditto 5.

See J.S.Asuncion’s master thesis [1] for details of each family.

1.1.1 ecm – elliptic curve method

```
ecm(n: integer, curve_type: curvetype=A1, incs: integer=3, trials:
integer=20, verbose: bool=False)
    → integer
```

Find a factor of n by elliptic curve method.

If it cannot find non-trivial factor of n , then it returns 1.

curve_type should be chosen from **curvetype** constants above.

The second optional argument incs specifies a number of changes of bounds. The function repeats factorization trials several times changing curves with a fixed bounds.

Optional argument `trials` can control how quickly move on to the next higher bounds.
`verbose` toggles verbosity.

Bibliography

- [1] Janice S. Asuncion. Integer factorization using different parameterizations of Montgomery's curves. Master's thesis, Tokyo Metropolitan University, 2006.