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THE TORSION SUBGROUP OF A FAMILY OF ELLIPTIC CURVES  
OVER THE MAXIMAL ABELIAN EXTENSION OF  $\mathbb{Q}$ 

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*Abstract.* We determine explicitly the structure of the torsion group over the maximal abelian extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  and over the maximal  $p$ -cyclotomic extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}$  for the family of rational elliptic curves given by  $y^2 = x^3 + B$ , where  $B$  is an integer.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve defined over a number field  $K$ . The Mordell-Weil theorem states that the set  $E(K)$  of  $K$ -rational points on  $E$  is a finitely generated abelian group. That is,  $E(K)$  is isomorphic to a direct sum of the form  $\mathbb{Z}^r \oplus E(K)_{\text{tors}}$  for some nonnegative integer  $r$  (called the *rank* of  $E$ ) and finite group  $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$ , called the *torsion subgroup* of  $E(K)$ . Over the last few decades the characterization of the possible structures of  $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$  has been of considerable interest. The case  $K = \mathbb{Q}$  was given by Mazur, see [17], while the case of quadratic fields ( $[K : \mathbb{Q}] = 2$ ) was completed by Kamienny, see [12] and Kenku and Momose, see [14]. The past few years saw development in the classification of the torsion structure over number fields of higher degree for elliptic curves defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . These were provided by Najman, see [18] for cubic fields, by González-Jiménez and Lozano-Robledo, see [11] for quartic fields and by González-Jiménez, see [10] for quintic number fields. Results were also obtained for the torsion subgroup of specific families of rational elliptic curves over arbitrary number fields. More recently, Dey in [4] and [5] studied the possible

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structures of  $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$  for rational CM-elliptic curves  $E$  that lie in the families  $y^2 = x^3 + B$  and  $y^2 = x^3 + Ax$ , where  $A, B \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

When  $K$  is an infinite extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the Mordell-Weil theorem no longer applies. In particular there is no guarantee for the finiteness of the torsion subgroup of  $E(K)$ . For instance, if for a fixed integer  $d \geq 1$  we write  $\mathbb{Q}(d^\infty)$  for the compositum of all field extensions  $K/\mathbb{Q}$  of degree  $d$ , then  $E(\mathbb{Q}(d^\infty))$  is not finitely generated for elliptic curves  $E$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  (see [6] and [9]). But even so, the torsion subgroup can be finite. The possible torsion structures have been classified by Laska and Lorenz, see [15] and Fujita, see [7], [8] for  $d = 2$ , and by Daniels, Lozano-Robledo, Najman and Sutherland, see [3] for  $d = 3$ .

A result of Ribet, see [13] states that if  $K$  is a number field and  $K(\mu_\infty)$  is the field extension of  $K$  obtained by adjoining all the roots of unity then for any elliptic curve  $E$  over  $K$ ,  $E(K(\mu_\infty))_{\text{tors}}$  is finite. In particular, for an elliptic curve  $E$  defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the torsion subgroup of  $E$  over the maximal abelian extension  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$  of  $\mathbb{Q}$  is finite.

In this paper, we study the family of rational elliptic curves  $E_B: y^2 = x^3 + B$ , where  $B \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Note that by performing a rational transformation, we may assume that  $B$  is an integer that is sixth power-free. For this family of elliptic curves, we determine the structure of the torsion subgroup of the group of rational points of  $E_B$  over  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$  and over the maximal  $p$ -cyclotomic extension  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$  of  $\mathbb{Q}$ , where  $p$  is a prime number. The proofs indicate the coordinates of the points that belong to the torsion subgroup, see [5].

## 2. STATEMENTS OF RESULTS

Let  $n$  be a positive integer. The  $n$ th cyclotomic extension  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)$  is the splitting field of the polynomial  $x^n - 1$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Here,  $\zeta_n$  denotes a primitive  $n$ th root of unity. The field  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)$  is a Galois extension over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with the cyclic Galois group isomorphic to the unit group  $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ . Let  $p$  be a prime number. If  $p$  is an odd prime, then  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^n})$  has a unique quadratic subfield given by  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p^*})$ , where  $p^* = (-1)^{(p-1)/2}p$ . If  $p = 2$ , we have  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_2) = \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_4) = \mathbb{Q}(i)$ , and for  $n \geq 3$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{2^n})$  has 3 quadratic subfields given by  $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  and  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2})$ . The  $p^n$ th cyclotomic extensions ( $n \geq 1$ ) form an increasing tower

$$\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^n}) \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^{n+1}}), \quad n \geq 1.$$

We define the maximal  $p$ -cyclotomic extension  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$  to be the union

$$\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^n}).$$

The field  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$  is Galois over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with the Galois group

$$\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})/\mathbb{Q}) = \varprojlim_n (\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})^\times = \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \simeq \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}_p \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times & \text{if } p \neq 2, \\ \mathbb{Z}_p \oplus \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } p = 2. \end{cases}$$

The Kronecker-Weber theorem states that any abelian extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  is contained in some  $n$ th cyclotomic extension. The maximal abelian extension  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$  of  $\mathbb{Q}$  is the union of all the  $n$ th cyclotomic extensions, as  $n$  runs through the set of all positive integers. Equivalently,  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$  is the composite field of all the maximal  $p$ -cyclotomic extensions, as  $p$  runs through the set of primes. We have

$$\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq \widehat{\mathbb{Z}}^\times \simeq \prod_p \mathbb{Z}_p^\times.$$

In this paper we prove the following classification of the torsion subgroup of the elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + B$  over the maximal abelian extension  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$  of  $\mathbb{Q}$  and over the maximal  $p$ -cyclotomic extensions  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$  for each prime  $p$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $E_B: y^2 = x^3 + B$  be an elliptic curve, where  $B$  is a nonzero sixth power-free integer. We have*

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})_{\text{tors}} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = 2t^3, \text{ where } t \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = s^3, \text{ where } s \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $E_B: y^2 = x^3 + B$  be an elliptic curve, where  $B$  is a sixth power-free integer. For a prime  $p$ , let  $T_{B,p}$  be the torsion subgroup of  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))$ . Then  $T_{B,p}$  is given by the following tables.*

$T_{B,p}$ ( $p > 3$ )	conditions
$\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$	$B = 1$ or $(p^*)^3$
$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	$B = t^3$ (where $t \neq 1, p^*$ )
$\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$	$B = -432, -432(p^*)^3, 16(p^*)^3$ , or $B = s^2$ (where $s \neq \pm 1$ ) or $B = p^*s^2$ (where $s \neq \pm p^*$ )
$\{\mathcal{O}\}$	otherwise
$T_{B,3}$	
$\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}$	$B = 16, -432$
$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$	$B = 1, -27$
$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	$B = t^3$ (where $t \neq 1, -3$ )
$\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$	$B = s^2$ (where $s \neq \pm 1 \pm 4$ ), or $B = -3s^2$ (where $s \neq \pm 3 \pm 12$ )
$\{\mathcal{O}\}$	otherwise

$T_{B,2}$	conditions
$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$	$B = \pm 1, \pm 8$
$\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$	$B = t^3$ (where $t \neq \pm 1, \pm 2$ )
$\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$	$B = \pm 54, \pm 432$ , or $B = \pm s^2$ (where $t \neq 1$ ), or $B = \pm 2s^2$ (where $t \neq 2$ )
$\{\mathcal{O}\}$	otherwise

### 3. PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS

Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $K$  a field extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . For an integer  $n$ , we write

$$E(K)[n] := \{P \in E(K) : nP = \mathcal{O}\} \cup \{\mathcal{O}\}.$$

For a prime  $q$ , we introduce

$$E(K)[q^\infty] := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E(K)[q^n],$$

called the  $q$ -primary part of  $E(K)$ . The torsion subgroup is a direct sum of its  $q$ -primary parts:

$$E(K)_{\text{tors}} = \bigoplus_{q: \text{prime}} E(K)[q^\infty].$$

In order to determine the torsion subgroup of  $E(K)$ , it helps to know the possible primes that give nontrivial contributions to the direct sum. To do this, we need the following facts.

**Proposition 3.1** ([4], Proposition 4). *Let  $K$  be a number field and  $E: y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B$  be an elliptic curve for some integers  $A$  and  $B$ . Let  $T$  be the torsion subgroup of  $E(K)$ . Write  $\mathcal{O}_K$  for the ring of integers in  $K$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a prime ideal in  $\mathcal{O}_K$  lying above an odd prime  $p$ . If  $E$  has good reduction at  $\mathcal{P}$ , we let  $\Phi$  be the reduction map on  $T$ . Then  $\Phi$  is an injective homomorphism except for finitely many prime ideals  $\mathcal{P}$ .*

**Lemma 3.2** ([5], Corollary 1). *Let  $E_B: y^2 = x^3 + B$  be an elliptic curve for some nonzero integer  $B$  with discriminant  $\Delta$ . Let  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  be an odd prime such that  $p \nmid \Delta$ . Write  $\overline{E}_B$  for the reduction of  $E$  modulo  $p$ . Then*

$$\#\overline{E}_B(\mathbb{F}_{p^n}) = \begin{cases} p^n + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd,} \\ (p^{n/2} + 1)^2 & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $E_B: y^2 = x^3 + B$  be an elliptic curve for some nonzero integer  $B$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $q$  is a prime divisor of the order of  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n))_{\text{tors}}$  then  $q = 2$  or  $3$ .*

*Proof.* This result is known for  $n = 1, 2$  so we assume henceforth that  $n \geq 3$ . Assume that  $q$  is a prime greater than  $3$  such that  $q$  divides the order of  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n))_{\text{tors}}$ . Dirichlet's theorem on primes in arithmetic progression allows us to choose a prime  $l$  relatively prime to  $q$  and  $n$  of good reduction with

$$\begin{aligned} l &\equiv -1 \pmod{n} \quad \text{and} \quad l \equiv 1 \pmod{q}, & \text{if } 3 \mid n, \\ l &\equiv 1 \pmod{n} \quad \text{and} \quad l \equiv q^2 + 1 \pmod{3q}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{aligned}$$

The ideal generated by  $l$  in the ring of integers  $\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_n]$  decomposes as

$$l\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_n] = \mathfrak{l}_1^e \dots \mathfrak{l}_g^e,$$

where the  $\mathfrak{l}_j$ 's are distinct prime ideals in  $\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_n]$  lying above  $l$  and  $e$  is the common ramification index for the  $\mathfrak{l}_j$ 's. Since  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)$  is Galois over  $\mathbb{Q}$  we also have the fundamental identity in algebraic number theory:  $efg = [\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n) : \mathbb{Q}]$ , where  $f$  is the common residue degree for the  $\mathfrak{l}_j$ , namely, the integer  $f$  such that  $\#(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}/\mathfrak{l}_j) = l^f$ . For cyclotomic extensions  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)$ , it is known that  $f$  is the order of  $l$  modulo  $n$  (see for instance, [16], Theorem 26). We take a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{l}_j$  and consider the reduction  $\overline{E}_B$  of  $E_B$  modulo  $\mathfrak{l}_j$ . In any case we have  $l \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . Lemma 3.2 implies

$$\#\overline{E}_B(\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{l}_j) = \begin{cases} (l+1)^2 & \text{if } 3 \mid n, \\ l+1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

From Proposition 3.1 we see that in any case

$$l+1 \equiv 0 \pmod{q}.$$

But as  $l \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$  we also have

$$l+1 \equiv 2 \pmod{q}.$$

This is absurd since  $q > 3$ . This proves the lemma. □

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $q > 3$  be an odd prime. Then we have*

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[q^\infty] = \{\mathcal{O}\}.$$

Consequently,

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))[q^\infty] = \{\mathcal{O}\}$$

for any prime  $p$ .

Proof. Note that  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[q]$  is a subset of the finite group  $E_B(\mathbb{C})[q]$ . Then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[q] = E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n))[q].$$

By Proposition 3.3 we have  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[q] = \{\mathcal{O}\}$ , since  $q > 3$ . If  $m > 1$  and  $\mathcal{O} \neq P \in E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[q^m]$  then  $q^{m-1}P$  is a nontrivial element of  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[q]$ , which is absurd. The result follows.  $\square$

Corollary 3.4 implies that the torsion subgroup of  $E_B$  over  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$  is completely determined by its 2-primary and 3-primary parts. The determination of the possible structures of the 2-primary and 3-primary parts will be covered by the next three sections.

#### 4. POINTS WHOSE ORDER IS A POWER OF 2

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $K$  be a Galois extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  (possibly of infinite degree) whose Galois group does not have a quotient isomorphic to  $S_3$ . Then*

$$E_B(K)[2] = \begin{cases} \{\mathcal{O}, (-t, 0), (-t\zeta_3, 0), (-t\zeta_3^2, 0)\} & \text{if } B = t^3, \exists t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \sqrt{-3} \in K, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (\sqrt[3]{B}, 0)\} & \text{if } B = t^3, \exists t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ but } \sqrt{-3} \notin K, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let  $P = (x, y)$  be a point of order 2 in  $E_B(K)$ . Then  $y = 0$  and  $x$  is a solution of  $X^3 + B = 0$ . Observe that

$$X^3 + B = (X + \sqrt[3]{B})(X + \sqrt[3]{B}\zeta_3)(X + \sqrt[3]{B}\zeta_3^2).$$

If  $B$  is a perfect cube of an integer and  $\sqrt{-3} \in K$  then all the three roots belong to  $K$ . If  $B$  is a perfect cube of an integer and  $\sqrt{-3} \notin K$  then only  $-\sqrt[3]{B}$  belongs to  $K$ . Suppose  $B$  is not a cube of an integer. Then  $X^3 + B$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Since  $K$  is Galois over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , if one of its roots belongs to  $K$  then all the three must be in  $K$ . This implies that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{B}, \zeta_3)$  is a subfield of  $K$ , contrary to our assumption.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $K$  be a Galois extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  (possibly of infinite degree) whose Galois group does not have a quotient isomorphic to  $S_3$ . Then  $E_B(K)$  has no element of order 4.*

**Proof.** If  $E_B(K)$  has an element of order 4, then it has an element of order 2. The previous lemma implies that  $B = t^3$  for some nonzero square-free integer  $t$ .

Let  $P = (x, y) \in E_B(K)$  be an element of order 4. Then  $y(2P) = 0$ . By the duplication formula we have

$$x^6 + 20t^3x^3 - 8t^6 = 0.$$

Thus

$$x^3 = (-10 \pm 6\sqrt{3})t^3 = (-1 \pm \sqrt{3})^3 t^3.$$

If  $\sqrt{3} \in K$  then

$$x = (-1 \pm \sqrt{3})t \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{3}] \subseteq K$$

and  $E_B(K)$  has no point of order 4 if  $\sqrt{3} \notin K$ .

Suppose  $\sqrt{3} \in K$ . As  $x \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{3}]$  and  $y^2 = x^3 + t^3 \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{3}]$ , we have  $y \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{3}]$ . We write  $y = a + b\sqrt{3}$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . From the relation  $y^2 = x^3 + t^3$ , we obtain the equations

$$a^2 + 3b^2 = -9t^3 \quad \text{and} \quad ab = \pm 3t^3.$$

From these we get  $a^2 + 3b^2 \pm 3ab = 0$ . If we put  $c := a/b \in \mathbb{Q}$ , we see that  $c^2 \pm 3c + 3 = 0$  so that

$$c = \frac{\mp 3 \pm \sqrt{-3}}{2} \notin \mathbb{Q},$$

a contradiction. Therefore there is no point of order 4 in  $E_B(K)$  even if  $\sqrt{3} \in K$ .  $\square$

The previous lemmas give the following result.

**Proposition 4.3.** *Let  $K$  be a Galois extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  (possibly of infinite degree) whose Galois group does not have a quotient isomorphic to  $S_3$ . Then*

$$E_B(K)[2^\infty] = \begin{cases} \{\mathcal{O}, (-t, 0), (-t\zeta_3, 0), (-t\zeta_3^2, 0)\} & \text{if } B = t^3, \exists t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \sqrt{-3} \in K, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (\sqrt[3]{B}, 0)\} & \text{if } B = t^3, \exists t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ but } \sqrt{-3} \notin K, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Now let  $p$  be a prime and consider  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$ . The Galois group  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})/\mathbb{Q})$  is abelian; and thus does not have a quotient isomorphic to  $S_3$ . If  $p$  is odd, then  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p^*})$  is the unique quadratic subfield of  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$ . On the other hand,  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{2^\infty})$  has three quadratic subfields:  $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ , and  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2})$ . In particular we have  $\sqrt{-3} \in \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$  if and only if  $p = 3$ . From Proposition 4.3, we have the following result.



**Proposition 4.4.** *Let  $p$  be a prime. Then we have*

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))[2^\infty] = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = t^3 \text{ for some integer } t \text{ and } p = 3, \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = t^3 \text{ for some integer } t \text{ and } p \neq 3, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover,

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[2^\infty] = \begin{cases} E(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3}))[2^\infty] \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = t^3 \text{ for some integer } t, \\ E(\mathbb{Q})[2^\infty] = \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

## 5. POINTS OF ORDER 3

Let  $P = (x, y) \in E_B(K)$  be a point of order 3. Then  $P \neq \mathcal{O}$  and  $2P = -P$ . In particular,  $x(2P) = x(-P) = (x, -y)$ . By the duplication formula

$$\frac{x^4 - 8Bx}{4(x^3 + B)} = x.$$

Equivalently,  $x$  is a solution of the polynomial equation

$$(5.1) \quad X(X^3 + 4B) = 0.$$

We use this observation in the succeeding lemma, which generalizes Lemmas 5 and 6 of [5].

**Lemma 5.1.** *Let  $K$  be a Galois extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  (possibly of infinite degree) whose Galois group does not have a quotient isomorphic to  $S_3$ . If  $B \neq 2t^3$  for any integer  $t$  then*

$$E_B(K)[3] = \begin{cases} \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm\sqrt{B})\} & \text{if } \sqrt{B} \in K, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

On the other hand, if  $B = 2t^3$  for some square-free integer  $t$  then  $E_B(K)[3]$  is given by the following table:

$E(K)[3]$	conditions
$\{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm 4)\}$	if $t = 2$ and $\sqrt{-3} \notin K$
$\{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm 4), (-4, \pm 4\sqrt{-3}),$ $(-4\zeta_3, \pm 4\sqrt{-3}), (-4\zeta_3^2, \pm 4\sqrt{-3})\}$	if $t = 2$ and $\sqrt{-3} \in K$
$\{\mathcal{O}, (12, \pm 36)\}$	if $t = -6$ and $\sqrt{-3} \notin K$
$\{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm 12\sqrt{-3}), (12, \pm 36),$ $(12\zeta_3, \pm 36), (12\zeta_3^2, \pm 36)\}$	if $t = -6$ and $\sqrt{-3} \in K$
$\{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm t\sqrt{2t})\}$	if $t \neq 2, \sqrt{2t} \in K$ and $\sqrt{-6t} \notin K$
$\{\mathcal{O}, (-2t, \pm t\sqrt{-6t})\}$	if $t \neq -6, \sqrt{-6t} \in K$ and $\sqrt{2t} \notin K$
$\{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm t\sqrt{2t}), (-2t, \pm t\sqrt{-6t}),$ $(-2t\zeta_3, \pm t\sqrt{-6t}), (-2t\zeta_3^2, \pm t\sqrt{-6t})\}$	if $t \neq 2, -6$ and $\sqrt{-6t}, \sqrt{2t} \in K$
$\{\mathcal{O}\}$	otherwise

**Proof.** If  $P = (x, y)$  is a point of order 3 then  $x$  is a solution of equation (5.1). Consider the polynomial  $X^3 + 4B$ . If  $X^3 + 4B$  is reducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$  then there exists an integer  $\alpha$  such that  $\alpha^3 = 4B$ . But this implies  $B = 2t^3$  for some integer  $t$ , a contradiction. If  $X^3 + 4B$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$  but reducible over  $K$  then it splits over  $K$ , so that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{4B}, \zeta_3) \subseteq K$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $X^3 + 4B$  is irreducible over  $K$  which tells us that  $x = 0$  and  $y = \pm\sqrt{B}$ .

If  $\sqrt{B} \in K$  then  $(0, \pm\sqrt{B})$  are the only points of order 3 in  $E_B(K)$ . Otherwise, there is no point of order 3 in  $E_B(K)$ .

Now suppose that  $B = 2t^3$  for some square-free integer  $t$ . We consider once again equation (5.1). If  $x = 0$  then  $y = \pm\sqrt{B} = \pm t\sqrt{2t}$ . If  $t \neq 2$  then  $2t$  is not a square and  $(0, \pm t\sqrt{2t})$  are points of order 3 in  $E_B(K)$  if and only if  $K$  contains the quadratic field  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2t})$ . If  $t = 2$  then we see that  $(0, \pm 4)$  are points of order 3 in  $E_B(\mathbb{Q})$ , hence in  $E_B(K)$ .

If  $x \neq 0$ , then  $x^3 = -4B = -8t^3 = (-2t)^3$ . So  $x$  is one of  $-2t, -2t\zeta_3$ , or  $-2t\zeta_3^2$ . For this case we have  $y = \pm t\sqrt{-6t}$ . If  $t = 2$ , then  $(-4, \pm 4\sqrt{-3}), (-4\zeta_3, \pm 4\sqrt{-3})$ , and  $(-4\zeta_3^2, \pm 4\sqrt{-3})$  are points of order 3 in  $E_B(K)$  if and only if  $\sqrt{-3} \in K$ . If  $t = -6$  then  $(12, \pm 36)$  are points of order 3 in  $E_B(\mathbb{Q})$ , hence in  $E_B(K)$ . Moreover, the points  $(0, \pm 12\sqrt{-3}), (12\zeta_3, \pm 36)$ , and  $(12\zeta_3^2, \pm 36)$  are points of order 3 in  $E_B(K)$  if and only if  $\sqrt{-3} \in K$ . If  $t \neq -6$  then  $-6t$  is not a square and  $(-2t, \pm t\sqrt{-6t})$  are points of order 3 in  $E_B(K)$  if and only if  $K$  contains the quadratic field  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-6t})$ . If this is the case, the points  $(-2t\zeta_3, \pm t\sqrt{-6t})$  and  $(-2t\zeta_3^2, \pm t\sqrt{-6t})$  are also contained in  $E_B(K)$  if and only if  $\sqrt{-3}$  (equivalently  $\sqrt{2t}$ ) belongs to  $K$ .  $\square$

Since  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$  contains all the quadratic extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}$ , we obtain the following statement.

**Proposition 5.2.** *We have*

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[3] = \begin{cases} \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm\sqrt{B})\} & \text{if } B \neq 2t^3 \text{ for any integer } t, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm t\sqrt{2t}), (-2t, \pm t\sqrt{-6t}), \\ (-2t\zeta_3, \pm t\sqrt{-6t}), \\ (-2t\zeta_3^2, \pm t\sqrt{-6t})\} & \text{if } B = 2t^3 \text{ for some square-free } t. \end{cases}$$

For the  $p$ -cyclotomic extensions  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$ , the subgroup of 3-torsion points is given as follows.

**Proposition 5.3.** *Let  $p > 3$  be a prime. Then*

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))[3] = \begin{cases} \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm s)\} & \text{if } B = s^2, \text{ where } s \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm s\sqrt{p^*})\} & \text{if } B = p^*s^2, \text{ where } s \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm 4p^*\sqrt{p^*})\} & \text{if } B = 16(p^*)^3, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (12, \pm 36)\} & \text{if } B = -432, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (12p^*, \mp 36p^*\sqrt{p^*})\} & \text{if } B = -432(p^*)^3, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Furthermore we have

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{3^\infty}))[3] = \begin{cases} \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm 4), (-4, \pm 4\sqrt{-3}), \\ (-4\zeta_3, \pm 4\sqrt{-3}), \\ (-4\zeta_3^2, \pm 4\sqrt{-3})\} & \text{if } B = 16, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm 12\sqrt{-3}), (12, \pm 36), \\ (12\zeta_3, \pm 36), (12\zeta_3^2, \pm 36)\} & \text{if } B = -432, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm s)\} & \text{if } B = s^2, \text{ where } s \neq \pm 4, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm s\sqrt{-3})\} & \text{if } B = -3s^2, \text{ where } s \neq \pm 12, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{2^\infty}))[3] = \begin{cases} \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm\sqrt{B})\} & \text{if } B = \pm s^2 \text{ or } \pm 2s^2, \text{ where } s \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \{\mathcal{O}, (-2t, \pm t\sqrt{-6t})\} & \text{if } B = 2t^3, \text{ where } t = \pm 3, \pm 6, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* We write  $K_p := \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$ . Suppose that  $p > 3$ . Recall that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p^*})$  is the unique quadratic subfield of  $K_p$ . If  $B \neq 2t^3$  for any integer  $t$  then  $\sqrt{B} \in K_p$  if and only if  $B = s^2$  or  $p^*s^2$  for some cube-free integer  $s$ . In the former case, we have  $E_B(K_p) = \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm s)\}$ , while  $E_B(K_p) = \{\mathcal{O}, (0, \pm s\sqrt{p^*})\}$  in the latter case by Lemma 5.1. Suppose  $B = 2t^3$  for some square-free integer  $t$ . We apply Lemma 5.1 to this case. Note that if both  $\sqrt{-6t}$  and  $\sqrt{2t}$  lie in  $K_p$  then  $\sqrt{-3} \in K_p$ , which is absurd. We have  $\sqrt{2t} \in K_p$  if and only if  $t = 2$  or  $2p^*$ . If  $t = 2$ , then  $B = 16$  and  $E_B(K_p) = \{\mathcal{O}, (0 \pm 4)\}$ . If  $t = 2p^*$  then  $B = 16(p^*)^3$  and  $E_B(K_p) = \{\mathcal{O}, (0 \pm 4p^*\sqrt{p^*})\}$ . Moreover,  $\sqrt{-6t} \in K_p$  if and only if  $t = -6$  or  $t = -6p^*$ . In the first case we have  $B = -432$  and  $E_B(K_p) = \{\mathcal{O}, (12, \pm 36)\}$ . In the second case,  $B = -432(p^*)^3$  and  $E_B(K_p) = \{\mathcal{O}, (12p^*, \pm 36p^*\sqrt{p^*})\}$ . If the above forms for  $B$  are not satisfied,  $E_B(K_p)$  is trivial. By doing a similar case work, we obtain the corresponding results for  $p = 2, 3$ . We just keep in mind that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$  is the unique quadratic subfield of  $K_3$ , while  $K_2$  has three distinct quadratic subfields given by  $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  and  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2})$ .  $\square$

## 6. POINTS WHOSE ORDER IS A POWER OF 3

**Proposition 6.1.** *The group  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  has a point of order 9 if and only if  $B = 2t^3$  for some square-free integer  $t$ . In this case, we have*

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[9] = E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_9, \sqrt{-12\theta^2 - 4\theta + 35}, \sqrt{3B})) [9] \simeq \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z},$$

where  $\theta = \zeta_9 + \zeta_9^{-1}$ .

Consequently,  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))$  has a point of order 9 if and only if  $p = 3$  and  $B = 16$  or  $-432$ . In this case, we have  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{3^\infty})) [9] \simeq \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  has a point  $P = (x, y)$  of order 9. Then  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  has a point of order 3 given by  $3P$ . The addition formula in  $E_B$  shows that the  $x$ -coordinate of  $3P$  is given by:

$$(6.1) \quad x(3P) = \frac{x^9 - 96Bx^6 + 48B^2x^3 + 64B^3}{(3x^4 + 12Bx)^2}.$$

We consider the following cases:

*Case 1:* Assume that  $x(3P) = 0$ . Put  $f(X) = X^9 - 96BX^6 + 48B^2X^3 + 64B^3$  and consider the equation

$$(6.2) \quad f(X) = 0.$$

The substitution  $Y = X^3/4B$  gives rise to the equation

$$Y^3 - 24Y^2 + 3Y + 1 = 0.$$

With the aid of Magma, see [1], we find that this cubic splits in the field  $\mathbb{Q}(\theta)$ , where  $\theta := \zeta_9 + \zeta_9^{-1}$ . The roots are given by

$$(6.3) \quad X_1 = -9\theta^2 - 3\theta + 26 = (-\theta^2 + 3)^3,$$

$$(6.4) \quad X_2 = 3\theta^2 - 6\theta + 2 = (-\theta + 1)^3,$$

$$(6.5) \quad X_3 = 6\theta^2 + 9\theta - 4 = (\theta^2 + \theta - 1)^3.$$

From these we obtain the 9 roots of equation (6.2):

$$(6.6) \quad \begin{aligned} X_{1,j} &= \sqrt[3]{4B}(-\theta^2 + 3)\zeta_3^j, & X_{2,j} &= \sqrt[3]{4B}(-\theta + 1)\zeta_3^j, \\ X_{3,j} &= \sqrt[3]{4B}(\theta^2 + \theta - 1)\zeta_3^j, \end{aligned}$$

where  $j \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ . From this, we see that the splitting field of  $f(x)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is

$$(6.7) \quad \begin{cases} \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_9) & \text{if } B = 2t^3 \text{ for some square-free } t, \\ \mathbb{Q}(\theta, \zeta_3, \sqrt[3]{4B}) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

with the latter satisfying  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\theta, \zeta_3, \sqrt[3]{4B})/\mathbb{Q}(\theta)) \simeq S_3$ . Hence,  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  has no point of order 9 if  $B \neq 2t^3$  for any integer  $t$ .

Assume  $B = 2t^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} X_{1,j}^3 + B &= 3B(-12\theta^2 - 4\theta + 35), & X_{2,j}^3 + B &= 3B(4\theta^2 - 8\theta + 3), \\ X_{3,j}^3 + B &= 3B(8\theta^2 + 12\theta - 5). \end{aligned}$$

Put  $\alpha := \sqrt{-12\theta^2 - 4\theta + 35}$ . Its irreducible polynomial over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is

$$p(x) = x^6 - 33x^4 + 27x^2 - 3.$$

The splitting field  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  of  $p(x)$  is an abelian extension of degree 6 over  $\mathbb{Q}$  that contains  $\mathbb{Q}(\theta)$  as a subfield. The conjugates of  $\alpha$  are  $-\alpha, \pm\sqrt{4\theta^2 - 8\theta + 3}$  and  $\pm\sqrt{8\theta^2 + 12\theta - 5}$ . Since  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_9)$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  and  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3B})$  are all abelian extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}$ , then so is their compositum  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_9, \alpha, \sqrt{3B})$ . So an element  $P$  of  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  of order 9 such that the  $x$ -coordinate of  $3P$  equals 0 must be one of the following 18 points:

$$\begin{aligned} (X_{1,j}, \pm\sqrt{3B(-12\theta^2 - 4\theta + 35)}), & \quad (X_{2,j}, \pm\sqrt{3B(4\theta^2 - 8\theta + 3)}), \\ (X_{3,j}, \pm\sqrt{3B(8\theta^2 + 12\theta - 5)}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $j \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ .

*Case 2:* Suppose  $P = (x, y) \in E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  is a point of order 9 such that  $x(3P) \neq 0$ . Then  $B = 2t^3$  for some square-free  $t$  and  $P$  satisfies  $x(3P) = -2t, -2t\zeta_3$  or  $-2t\zeta_3^2$ . Then we have the following polynomial equations from equation (6.1):

$$(6.8) \quad x^9 + 18t\zeta_3^j x^8 - 192t^3 x^6 + 288\zeta_3^j t^4 x^5 + 192t^6 x^3 + 1152\zeta_3^j t^7 x^2 + 512t^9 = 0$$

for  $j = 0, 1, 2$ . For each  $j$ , we write

$$f_j(X) := X^9 + 18t\zeta_3^j X^8 - 192t^3 X^6 + 288\zeta_3^j t^4 X^5 + 192t^6 X^3 + 1152\zeta_3^j t^7 X^2 + 512t^9.$$

The change of variable  $Y = X/2t$  gives the polynomials

$$g_j(Y) := Y^9 + 9\zeta_3^j Y^8 - 24Y^6 + 18\zeta_3^j Y^5 + 3Y^3 + 9\zeta_3^j Y^2 + 1$$

for  $j = 0, 1, 2$ . With the aid of Magma, see [1], we verify that each  $g_j$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ . The splitting field  $L_j$  of  $g_j$  over  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$  is a degree 18 Galois extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  listed in the following table.

$j$	defining polynomial for $L_j$ over $\mathbb{Q}$
0	$x^{18} + 27x^{17} + 279x^{16} + 1476x^{15} + 4914x^{14} + 11934x^{13} + 23166x^{12}$ $+ 37260x^{11} + 51840x^{10} + 61182x^9 + 59049x^8 + 41310x^7 + 19197x^6$ $+ 5103x^5 + 8019x^4 + 13122x^3 + 10935x^2 + 4374x + 729$
1 and 2	$x^{18} - 9x^{17} + 81x^{16} - 48x^{15} + 198x^{14} + 324x^{13} + 582x^{12} + 396x^{11}$ $+ 486x^{10} - 142x^9 + 153x^8 + 324x^7 - 39x^6 - 45x^5$ $+ 81x^4 + 6x^3 - 9x^2 + 1$

Each extension  $L_j$  has a nonabelian Galois group. From this we conclude that in this case  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  has no point  $P$  of order 9 that satisfies the conditions specified for  $x(3P)$ . This completes the proof of our claim for  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$ .

Now consider  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))$ . Case 2 above shows that if  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))$  has a point  $P$  of order 9 then the  $x$ -coordinate of  $3P$  must be zero. If this is the case then the result indicated by (6.7) implies that  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))$  has no point of order 9 when  $p \neq 3$ . On the other hand, if  $p = 3$ , then the 9 points in (6.6) are in  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{3^\infty})$  if and only if  $4B$  is the cube of an integer. But at the same time, Proposition 5.3 requires that  $B$  is also square in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ . Hence,  $B = 16$  or  $-432$ .

If  $B = 16$  then we have the following 18 points in  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{3^\infty}))$  of order 9 whose triple has the  $x$ -coordinate equal to 0:

$$(6.9) \quad (X_{1,j}, \pm(16\zeta_9^5 + 8\zeta_9^4 + 8\zeta_9^2 - 8\zeta_9 - 12)),$$

$$(6.10) \quad (X_{2,j}, \pm(8\zeta_9^5 - 8\zeta_9^4 + 16\zeta_9^2 - 16\zeta_9 + 12)),$$

$$(6.11) \quad (X_{3,j}, \pm(8\zeta_9^5 + 16\zeta_9^4 - 8\zeta_9^2 + 8\zeta_9 + 12))$$

for  $j = 0, 1, 2$ .

Finally, for  $B = -432$  we have the following 18 points in  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{3^\infty}))$  of order 9 whose triple has  $x$ -coordinate equal to 0:

$$(6.12) \quad (X_{1,j}, \pm(72\zeta_9^4 + 72\zeta_9^3 + 72\zeta_9^2 + 72\zeta_9 + 36)),$$

$$(6.13) \quad (X_{2,j}, \pm(72\zeta_9^5 - 72\zeta_9^4 + 72\zeta_9^3 + 36)),$$

$$(6.14) \quad (X_{3,j}, \pm(72\zeta_9^5 - 72\zeta_9^3 + 72\zeta_9^2 + 72\zeta_9 - 36))$$

for  $j = 0, 1, 2$ . This concludes the proof of Proposition.  $\square$

To account for possible points of order 27, we apply the following result.

**Lemma 6.2** ([2], Theorem 2.6). *Let  $E/\mathbb{C}$  be an  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -CM elliptic curve for some imaginary quadratic field  $K$ . Let  $M \subset E(\mathbb{C})$  be a finite  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -submodule. Write  $\text{ann } M$  for the annihilator of  $M$ . Then  $M = E[\text{ann } M] \simeq_{\mathcal{O}_K} \mathcal{O}_K/(\text{ann } M)$  and thus the orders of  $M$  and  $\text{ann } M$  are equal.*

**Proposition 6.3.** *The group  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  has no element of order 27.*

*Proof.* If  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  has an element of order 27 then it has a point of order 9 and Proposition 6.1 implies that we have  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[27] \simeq \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/27\mathbb{Z}$ . The elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + B$  has CM by the maximal order  $\mathcal{O}_K$  of the quadratic number field  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ . The prime 3 ramifies in  $K$ , so  $3\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{p}^2$  for some prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  in  $\mathcal{O}_K$ . Now Lemma 6.2 implies that

$$E_B[27] := E_B(\mathbb{C})[27] \simeq \mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}^6 \simeq_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/27\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/27\mathbb{Z}.$$

The ideals of  $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}^6$  are of the form  $I/\mathfrak{p}^6$ , where  $I$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  such that  $\mathfrak{p}^6 \subseteq I$ . Since  $\mathcal{O}_K$  is a Dedekind domain,  $I = \mathfrak{p}^a$  for some  $0 \leq a \leq 6$ . Consequently, any  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -submodule of  $E_B[27]$  must be of the form  $\mathfrak{p}^a/\mathfrak{p}^6$  for some  $0 \leq a \leq 6$ . The torsion subgroup of  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  is an  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -submodule of  $E_B(\mathbb{C})$ . Thus,

$$\mathfrak{p}^a/\mathfrak{p}^6 \simeq E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[27] \simeq_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/27\mathbb{Z}.$$

Hence

$$\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}^a \simeq (\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}^6)/(\mathfrak{p}^a/\mathfrak{p}^6) \simeq_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}.$$

So  $a = 2$ . However,  $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}^2$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  as an additive group. Therefore,  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})$  has no element of order 27.  $\square$

The results of Propositions 5.2, 5.3, 6.1 and Corollary 6.3 combine to give the 3-primary part of  $E_B$ .

**Corollary 6.4.** *We have*

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})[3^\infty] = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = 2t^3, \text{ where } t \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If  $p > 3$ , we have

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty}))[3^\infty] = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = -432, -432(p^*)^3, 16(p^*)^3, s^2 \text{ or } p^*s^2 \text{ with } s \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover,

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{3^\infty}))[3^\infty] = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = 16 \text{ or } -432, \\ \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = s^2 \text{ for } s \neq \pm 4 \text{ or } B = -3s^2 \text{ for } s \neq \pm 12, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$E_B(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{2^\infty}))[3^\infty] = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} & \text{if } B = \pm 54, \pm 432, \pm s^2 \text{ or } \pm 2s^2 \text{ for } s \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \{\mathcal{O}\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

## 7. PROOFS OF THE MAIN RESULTS

We are now ready to give the proof of our results for the torsion subgroup of  $E_B$ :  $Y^2 = X^3 + B$  over  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^\infty})$ . This is carried out by combining Corollary 3.4, Proposition 4.4, and Corollary 6.4.

**Proof of Theorem 2.1.** By Corollary 3.4, any prime divisor of the order of  $E_B(\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}})_{\text{tors}}$  has to be less than 5. So the torsion subgroup is determined by Proposition 4.4 and Corollary 6.4. We only note that by the unique factorization of integers, if  $B = 2t^3$  for some square-free integer  $t$ , then  $B \neq s^3$  for any square-free integer  $s$ . The result follows.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 2.2.** By Proposition 3.3, the structure of  $T_{B,p}$  is completely determined by its 2-primary and 3-primary parts.

Assume  $p > 3$ . If  $B = t^3$  for some square-free integer  $t$  then the 2-primary part of  $T_{B,p}$  is a cyclic group of order 2 by Proposition 4.4. Moreover,  $T_{B,p}$  has a point



of order 3 if and only if  $B = 1$  or  $B = (p^*)^3$  by Corollary 6.4. Thus  $T_{B,p} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$  if  $B = 1$  or  $B = (p^*)^3$  and  $T_{B,p} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  if  $B = t^3$  with  $t \neq 1, p^*$ . If  $B \neq t^3$  for any integer  $t$  then the 2-primary part of  $T_{B,p}$  is trivial and so  $T_{B,p}$  is nontrivial if and only if it has a point of order 3. Corollary 6.4 implies that  $T_{B,p} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  if  $B = -432, -432(p^*)^3, 16(p^*)^3, s^2$  (with  $s \neq \pm 1$ ), or  $p^*s^2$  (with  $s \neq \pm p^*$ ).

Let  $p = 3$ . If  $B = t^3$  for some square-free integer  $t$  then the 2-primary part of  $T_{B,3}$  is isomorphic to the Klein-4 group by Proposition 4.4. By Corollary 6.4,  $T_{B,3}$  has a point of order 3 if and only if  $B = s^2$  or  $-3s^2$  for some integer  $s$ . Since  $t$  is square-free, we obtain  $B = 1$  or  $-27$ . So  $T_{B,3} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$  if  $B = 1$  or  $-27$ , while  $T_{B,3} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  if  $B = t^3$  (with  $t \neq 1, -3$ ). Suppose  $B \neq t^3$  for any integer  $t$ . Then  $T_{B,3}$  has no point of order 2 and Corollary 6.4 gives the structure of  $T_{B,3}$ .

Finally we consider the case where  $p = 2$ . If  $B = t^3$  for some square-free integer  $t$  then the 2-primary part of  $T_{B,2}$  is a cyclic group of order 2 by Proposition 4.4. By Corollary 6.4,  $T_{B,2}$  has a point of order 3 if and only if  $B = \pm s^2$  or  $B = \pm 2s^2$  for some integer  $s$ . Since  $B$  is sixth-power free, we get  $B = \pm 1$  or  $B = \pm 8$ . So  $T_{B,2} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  if  $B = \pm 1, \pm 8$ ; while  $T_{B,2} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  if  $B = t^3$  with  $t \neq \pm 1, \pm 2$ . If  $B \neq t^3$  for any integer  $t$  then  $T_{B,2}$  has no point of order 2. In this case Corollary 6.4 gives the structure of  $T_{B,2}$ .  $\square$

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