

**MATH 844: HOMEWORK 6, DUE NOV 1.**

Let  $E$  be the elliptic curve  $y^2 + y = x^3 - x^2$  defined over  $\mathbf{Q}$ . Let  $\rho_p : G_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbf{F}_p)$  denote the associated Galois action on  $E[p]$ .

(a) Find an equation for the  $x$ -coordinates of the points in  $E[2]$ . Find the image of  $\rho_2$ .

(b) Find an equation for the  $x$ -coordinates of the points in  $E[3]$ . Show that the only subgroup of  $GL_2(\mathbf{F}_3)$  that surjects onto  $PGL_2(\mathbf{F}_3)$  is  $GL_2(\mathbf{F}_3)$ . Find the image of  $\rho_3$ . Does  $E$  have complex multiplication?

(c) Find a point in  $E(\mathbf{Q})$  of order 5. What does this tell us about the image of  $\rho_5$ ?