Alina Carmen Cojocaru* (cojocaru@math.princeton.edu), 851 S. Morgan Street, Science Engineering Offices, Chicago, IL 60607-7045, and Antal Balog and Chantal David. Average twin prime conjecture for elliptic curves.

Let E/Q be an elliptic curve defined over the field of rational numbers. Let p be a prime of good reduction for E, and let E_p be the reduction of E modulo p. In 1988, N. Koblitz formulated a conjecture about the number of primes p < x for which the order of the group of points of E_p is prime. This may be viewed as an elliptic curve analogue of the twin prime conjecture. We will show that Koblitz's conjecture is true on average over a (sufficiently large) family of elliptic curves E/Q. (Received September 26, 2006)