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RATIONAL POINTS ON CURVES  
OVER FINITE FIELDS

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PART I: "q LARGE"

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# Curves over Finite Fields

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Let  $C$  be a complete non singular curve of genus  $g$  over a finite field  $F_q$ . Let  $N(C)$  be the number of rational points of  $C$ . By a well-known theorem of Weil, we have

$$|N(C) - (q + 1)| \leq 2g\sqrt{q} .$$

For a given pair  $(q, g)$ , let  $N_q(g) = \sup_C N(C)$ . Weil's inequality implies :

$$N_q(g) \leq q + 1 + 2g\sqrt{q} .$$

I shall discuss several improvements of this bound. Namely :

- (a)  $N_q(g) \leq q + 1 + g[2\sqrt{q}]$ .
- (b) (Asymptotic result - due to Drinfeld-Vladuř) :

for fixed  $q$  (and  $g \rightarrow \infty$ )  $\limsup. N_q(g)/g \leq \sqrt{q} - 1$ ,  
with equality when  $q$  is a square (Ihara-Zink).

- (c) Explicit computation of  $N_q(g)$  when  $g = 1$  or  $2$ .
- (d) Numerical results :

Table of values of  $N_q(g)$

$g \backslash q$	2	3	4	5	7	8	9	11	13	16	17	19	23	25
1	5	7	9	10	13	14	16	18	21	25	26	28	33	36
2	6	8	10	12	16	18	20	24	26	33	32	36	42	46
3	7	10	14	16	20	24	28	28	32	38	40	44		56
4	8	12	15	18										66
5	9													
6	10													
7	10								65					

Curves over  $\mathbb{F}_q$

$q = p^e$ ,  $p$  prime,  $e \geq 1$

$X =$  curve (smooth, complete, abs. irreducible).

genus of  $X = g$  is well-defined

$N(X) =$  nber of pts of  $X$  rat'l /  $\mathbb{F}_q$   
 $= \# X(\mathbb{F}_q)$

One knows:

Weil bound:  $|N(X) - (q+1)| \leq 2g\sqrt{q}$

If one wants  $|\# X(\mathbb{F}_{q^n}) - (q^n+1)| \leq 2gq^{n/2}$

as a fct. of  $n$ , this bound is optimal.

But for any given  $n$ , one doesn't know.

Want: upper bound, so curves with "many" pts.

Def:  $N_g(q) = \sup_x N(X)$  (given  $g, q$ ).

So Weil is:  $N_g(q) \leq 1 + q + 2g\sqrt{q}$

E.g.,  $g=2, q=50$ ; then Weil is  $N \leq 1 + 2 + 100\sqrt{2} = 144 \dots$   
 so  $N \leq 144$  (Weil's bound).

It's easy to see  $\leq 103$  (later:  $\leq 40$ ; then we'll show  $\geq 40$ ).

So in this case  $N_f(g) = 40$ .

If  $g=1, 2, 3$ :  $g=1$  is in the literature  
 (small)  $g=2$  known  
 $g=3$  known only for  $q < 23$

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$g$  large,  $q$  small

[ asymptotic results ]

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(see Part II)

analogy:

curves w/ many pts  $\longleftrightarrow$

fields w/  
 small  
 discriminant  
 $\uparrow$  rel. to  
 geom. of #s

rel. to

coding theory  $\longleftrightarrow$

Y. Ihara: some modular curves have lots of pts, over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ .

Coding theory: Goppa: curves w/ many pts

$\uparrow$  connection

codes.

Connection w/ codes

A Linear Code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  is a vector subspace  $V \subset \mathbb{F}_q^n$

(Think as  $V \subset W$  together w/ a basis of  $W$  (basis must be fixed, except by scalars).)

Element  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$  is a word of length  $n$  (letters  $\leftrightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$ ).

If  $q=2$ , this is a sequence of 0's and 1's.

$V \subset \mathbb{F}_q^n$  are the code-words.

message is  $001001111 \in V$

might be sent as  $011001110$

↑ two errors.

$H-d=2$

So we want an error-correcting code.

H-distance of two words = nbr of coords where they differ.

Suppose  $H-d \geq 5$  (for words in  $V$ )

then the wrong word  $\notin V$ , and the correct one is the unique closest word in  $V$  (as long as  $\leq 2$  errors)

Parameters are :

$$\begin{cases} n = \text{length of word} \\ v = \dim V \\ d = \text{min nber of non-zero coords in} \\ \text{an element of } V, \neq 0 \text{ (since } V \text{ is} \\ \text{subspace).} \end{cases}$$

Want  $d$  large, but also  $v$  large.

[Sloane, Coding Theory]

Dual point of view

(\*) Assume: for every  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , there is an  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in V$  with  $x_i \neq 0$ .

Then consider the fts.

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto x_i \in \mathbb{F}_q$$

non-zero linear forms.

This defines an elt.  $P_i \in \mathbb{P}(V^*)$

(have  $V \xrightarrow{\omega_j} \mathbb{F}_q^n$ ; by duality,  $\mathbb{F}_q^n \xrightarrow{\text{surj}} V^*$ ).

So find  $P_1, \dots, P_n \in \mathbb{P}(V^*)$  which generate.

$$v-1 = \dim \mathbb{P}(V^*)$$

$n = \#$  of fts

What is  $H-d$ ? Let  $m = \max. \#$  of  $P_i$  lying on a hyperplane.



Claim:  $m$  determines  $d$ ; in fact  $m = n - d$ .

So we want many pts in proj. space, but not too many on a hyperplane.

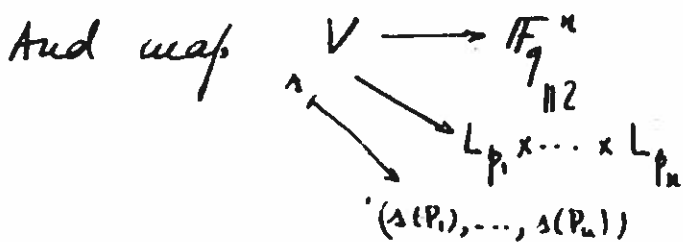
You suppose  $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ , and take  $P_1, \dots, P_n =$   $n$  pt's of  $X$ .

Then  $m \leq \deg X$ .

For  $g=0$ , have  $\mathbb{P}^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  by standard embedding and this gives Reed-Solomon code.

Suppose  $X$ ,  $L$  line bundle,  $P_1, \dots, P_n$   $n$  pt's of  $X$ .

Then take  $V = H^0(X, L) = \Gamma(L)$ .



If injective, have a code, and  $d \geq \deg(L)$  since sections cannot vanish at more than  $\deg(L)$  pts.

For  $g = \frac{p-1}{2}$ ,  $p \geq 7$  modular curves give better codes than the previously known ones.

### Refined Weil bound

Claim:  $|N - (g+1)| \leq g \lfloor 2\sqrt{g} \rfloor$  ,  $\lfloor \cdot \rfloor = \text{integral part of}$

Example: 1) If  $g$  is a square, ref. Weil = Weil

2) If  $g=2$ ,  $\lfloor 2\sqrt{2} \rfloor = \lfloor 2.8 \rfloor = 2$

so  $|N-3| \leq 2g$

When  $g=50$ , this gives  $|N-3| \leq 100$ , so  $N \leq 103$ .

Pf: Weil comes from:

$N = \text{number of fixed pts of Frobenius } \pi : X \rightarrow X$   
 $(x_0, \dots, x_g) = (x_0^p, \dots, x_g^p)$

So shd have  $N = \text{Trace } \pi \text{ on } H^0(X) \rightsquigarrow 1$   
 $- \text{Trace } \pi \text{ on } H^1(X) \rightsquigarrow \pi_1, \dots, \pi_{2g}$   
 $+ \text{Trace } \pi \text{ on } H^2(X) \rightsquigarrow g$

So we get  $N = 1 + g - \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \pi_i$

Then he proved  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\pi_i| = g^{1/2} \quad (\text{R.H. for } X) \\ \pi_i \text{ is an alg. integer} \\ \text{family of } \pi_i \text{ (mult. included) is stable under } \text{Gal}(\bar{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}), \text{ i.e.,} \end{array} \right.$

$$\prod (T - \pi_i) \in \mathbb{Z}[T].$$

Finally,

The eigenvalues of  $\pi^n$  (Frob. rel to  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$ ) are the  $\pi_i^n$ .

Then we have  $\# X(\mathbb{F}_{q^n}) = 1 + q^n - \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \pi_i^n$

And then this determines the  $\pi_i$ .

We know  $\pi_i \bar{\pi}_i = q$  and  $\bar{\pi}_i = \pi_j$ , some  $j$ .

Claim: One can write the  $\pi_i$  in such a way that  $\pi_{g+1}, \dots, \pi_{2g}$  are  $\bar{\pi}_1, \dots, \bar{\pi}_g$ .

Note:

- Jac(X) = A/ $\mathbb{F}_q$  ab. var.
- Then  $\pi_i$  = eigenvals of the Frob. on Jac(X)
- And the same properties hold for any ab. variety.

Claim is equiv to: if  $q = q_0^2$  is a square, then  $q_0$  and  $-q_0$  occur both with even multiplicities as eigenvalues.

(Note: it's clear for all the other cases.)

Pf: ① (for curves only) if these mult. were odd, the const. in the fct'l of  $\zeta$  would be -1, but it is +1  $\zeta$ .

② Can assume the ab. variety is simple over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

Suppose  $q_0$  is eigenv. with mult  $\geq 1$ .

Then the endom.  $\pi - q_0$  has a kernel and

$$\dim(\text{Ker}(\pi - q_0)) \geq 1$$

simplcity  $\Rightarrow \pi = q_0$  on ab. var., hence mult.  $q_0$  is even  
( $= 2 \dim A$ ).

③ Symplectic proof

Take  $V_q(A) = \text{dual of } H^1 \text{ (vect. sp. / } \mathbb{Q}_\ell)$ .

$\exists$  non-deg alt. form  $B$  on  $H^1$  (def. by a polariz. /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ )

$\pi$  viewed as endom. of  $V$  is a similitude, i.e.,

$$B(\pi x, \pi y) = q B(x, y).$$

Now the eigenvalues of any symplectic similitude can be paired as  $\lambda_i, \lambda_i^{-1}, \dots, \lambda_g, \lambda_g^{-1}$  s.t.  $\lambda_i \lambda_i^{-1} = q$ .

The same proof ③ shows our claim is still true for any cohomology in odd dimension.

Example in even dimension:

2-dim'l quadric over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  is  $H^0 \oplus H^1 \oplus H^2$

$H^2$  is 2-dim'l (basis corresp. to lines of the two rulings of the quadric)

• split quadric ( $x_1 x_2 + x_3 x_4 = 0$ ), lines are def /  $\mathbb{F}_q$   
 say  $e_1, e_2$ .

Then  $\pi^* e_1 = f e_1$ ,  $\pi^* e_2 = g e_2$ , and the claim holds.

• non-split quadric: then  $\pi^* e_1 = g e_2$ ,  $\pi^* e_2 = f e_1$   
 eigenvectors are  $e_1 + e_2, e_1 - e_2$  w/ eigenval  $f, -g$   
 so claim is false.

Problem: why not  $(\sqrt{f}, -\sqrt{g})$ ? So proof #2 is wrong.

So pair the  $\pi_i$  as given above. Set  $a_i = \pi_i + \bar{\pi}_i$   $i=1, \dots, j$ .

So  $a_i$  real, family still  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q})$ -stable, since  $a_i = \pi_i + \frac{1}{\pi_i}$ .

And  $|a_i| \leq 2\sqrt{q}$ .

Then  $N(x) - (1-q) = - \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \pi_i = - (a_1 + \dots + a_j)$ .

For an arb. variety dim  $g$ , want:  $|T_i(\pi)| \leq j [2q^{1/2}]$   
 $| \sum_{i=1}^j a_i |$

Let  $m = [2q^{1/2}]$ .  $|a_i| < m+1$

If we take  $x_i = m+1 + a_i$ , then  $x_i > 0$ .

The  $x_i$  are } stable under Galois w/ multiplicities.  
 } all integers (since  $\pi_i$  are).

Then  $x_i > 0$ , so:

$$\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_g}{g} \geq (x_1 \dots x_g)^{1/g}$$

with equality only if all  $x_i$  are equal.

so

$$m+1 + \frac{\sum a_i}{g} \geq 1$$

so

$$\sum a_i \geq -mg \quad \text{with equality only if } a_1 = \dots = a_g.$$

For the other ineq., apply same pf to  $-Fwb$ .

So get  $|\sum a_i| \leq mg$

If we have equality  $\sum a_i = \pm mg$ ,  $a_i$  all equal, hence  $a_i = \pm m$  each  $i$ .

So we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} -gm &\leq \text{Tr}(\sigma) \leq gm \\ \text{and if } \text{Tr}(\sigma) = gm, &\text{ then } a_1 = \dots = a_g = m \\ \text{if } \text{Tr}(\sigma) = -gm, &\text{ then } a_1 = \dots = a_g = -m. \end{aligned} \right\} \text{There!}$$

[This is general: can replace Dehn's  $B \cdot g^{1/2}$  by  $\frac{1}{2} [2g^{1/2}]$ ,  
Betti number

A ab ver /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $\pi$  Frob. sections.

Theorem 2: (1) If  $T_1(\pi) = qm - 1$  ("down by 1"), then

$$(a_1, \dots, a_g) = \begin{cases} \frac{(m, m, \dots, m, m-1)}{q^{-2}} & (g \geq 1) \\ \frac{(m, m, \dots, m, m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, m + \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2})}{q^{-2}} & (g \geq 2) \end{cases}$$

(2) If  $T_1(\pi) = qm - 2$  ("down by 2"), then one of the ~~form~~<sup>seven</sup> following forms occurs:

$$(a_1, \dots, a_g) = \begin{cases} (m, m, \dots, m, m-2) & g \geq 1 \\ (m, \dots, m, m-1, m-1) & g \geq 2 \\ (m, \dots, m, m + \sqrt{2} - 1, m - \sqrt{2} - 1) \\ (\text{same w/ } \sqrt{3}) \\ (m, \dots, m, m-1, m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, m + \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2}) \\ (m, \dots, m, m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, m + \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2}, m + \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2}) \\ (m, \dots, m, m + 1 - 4\cos^2 \frac{\pi}{7}, m + 1 - 4\cos^2 \frac{2\pi}{7}, m + 1 - 4\cos^2 \frac{3\pi}{7}) \end{cases}$$

Smith has done computations which wd allow us to extend this, in principle. Cont. next Tues.

10/1 defect 0 :  $m, \dots, m$   $g \geq 0$

— 1 :  $\begin{cases} m, \dots, m, m-1 \\ m, \dots, m, m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, m + \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{cases}$   $g \geq 1$

$g \geq 2$

— 2 :  $\begin{cases} m, \dots, m, m-2 \\ m, \dots, m, m-1, m-1 \\ m, \dots, m, m+\sqrt{2}-1, m-\sqrt{2}-1 \\ \text{"}, m+\sqrt{3}-1, m-\sqrt{3}-1 \\ \text{"}, m-1, m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, m + \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \\ \text{"}, m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, m + \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \\ m, \dots, m, m+1-4\cos^2 \frac{\pi}{7}, \dots \end{cases}$   $g \geq 1$

$g \geq 2$   
 $g \geq 2$   
 $g \geq 2$   
 $g \geq 3$   
 $g \geq 4$

$g \geq 3$

A ab variety /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $\dim A = g$

$\pi : A \rightarrow A$  Frobenius endom.

$\pi_\alpha, \bar{\pi}_\alpha$  eigenvalues  $x_\alpha = \pi_\alpha + \bar{\pi}_\alpha$

$\text{Tr}(\pi) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^g (\pi_\alpha + \bar{\pi}_\alpha)$ ,  $m = [2\sqrt{q}]$ .

Recall:  $\text{Tr}(\pi) \leq gm$  [for ab. vars, can twist to  $\pi \rightarrow -\pi$  so need not study the other ineq.  $-gm \leq \text{Tr}(\pi)$ ]

iff  $\text{Tr}(\pi) = gm$ ,  $(x_1, \dots, x_g) = (m, \dots, m)$  ("defect 0")

"Defect 1"  $\text{Tr}(\pi) = gm - 1$   
"Defect 2"  $\text{Tr}(\pi) = gm - 2$  } possibilities for  $(x_1, \dots, x_g)$  are as above.



For  $k=2$ ,  $d(\alpha) < 4$  so  $d(\alpha) = 1, 2$  or  $3$

$d(\alpha) = 1 \implies \alpha = 3$

$d(\alpha) = 2 \implies \alpha$  satisfies  $X^2 - 4X + q = 0$

roots real, hence  $16 - 4q > 0$

so  $q < 4$ , so  $q = 1, 2$  or  $3$

$X^2 - 4X + 1 = 0 \implies 2 \pm \sqrt{3}$

$X^2 - 4X + 2 = 0 \implies 2 \pm \sqrt{2}$

$X^2 - 4X + 3 = 0$

" not deg 2  
(X-1)(X-3)

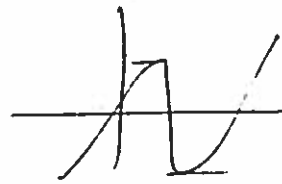
$d(\alpha) = 3 \implies P(X) = X^3 - 5X^2 + pX - q = 0$

three real positive roots

$\therefore 3X^2 - 10X + p = 0$

has 2 real roots

so  $\frac{\Delta}{4} = 25 - 3p > 0$



So  $p = 1, 2, \dots, 8$ .

Fix  $p$ : find roots of  $P'$ :  $x = \frac{5 - \sqrt{25 - 3p}}{3}$

$y = \frac{5 + \sqrt{25 - 3p}}{3}$

compute values of  $P$  at  $x, y$ , say  $f, g$

We are interested in alg. integers  $\alpha$ ,  $\text{tot} > 0$ , of deg.  $d(\alpha)$  with "small" trace (w.r.t. to  $d$ ).

Thm (Siegel, M.A. vol III, first paper) If  $\alpha$  is as above and  $\alpha \neq 1, \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$ , then  $T_1(\alpha) > \frac{3}{2} d(\alpha)$ .

(If  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $T_1(\alpha) = d(\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$ ,  $T_1(\alpha) = 3 = \frac{3}{2} d(\alpha)$ .)

[But constant: instead of  $\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{3}$ ].

Assume Siegel's thm: Separate out exceptional cases.

If  $k$  is a given integer  $\geq 0$ , the number of  $\text{tot} > 0$   $\alpha$ 's with  $T_1(\alpha) = d(\alpha) + k$  is finite for each  $k$ , and these  $\alpha$ 's can be found effectively.

If: By Siegel,  $d(\alpha) + k > \frac{3}{2} d(\alpha)$

so  $d(\alpha) < 2k$  is bounded.

But  $\alpha$  satisfies

$$X^d - (d+k)X^{d-1} + \dots$$

Conjugates  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d$  are all positive, and all  $< d(\alpha) + k$ .

Hence coeffs are effectively bounded, and we can list the possible  $\alpha$ 's.  $\square$

For  $k=0$ , get  $\alpha=1$

For  $k=1$ , can take  $\alpha = \begin{cases} \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} \\ 2 \end{cases}$

and no others since  $d(\alpha) < 2$

Find only one irred. polynomial of this form!  $p=6, f=1$

$$x^3 - 5x^2 + 6x - 1$$

Roots are  $4 \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{7} = 2 + \omega + \bar{\omega}$        $\omega = e^{2\pi i/7}$

and its three conjugates

So  $k=2 \begin{cases} 3 \\ 2 \pm \sqrt{3} \\ 2 \pm \sqrt{2} \\ \text{conjs. of } 4 \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{7} \end{cases}$

Smyth, Annals Inst. Fourier, 1984 : up to  $k=6$

Note:  $\exists \infty$  many  $\alpha$  with  $\text{Tr}(\alpha) < 2 \deg(\alpha)$

Smyth:  $\exists$  only finitely many  $\infty$  with  $\text{Tr}(\alpha) < 1.7719 \deg(\alpha)$ .

Open question: what is the correct constant.

Consider map  $\alpha \mapsto \frac{\text{Tr}(\alpha)}{\deg \alpha}$ . Question is equiv. to: what is first acalm. pt. of  $\text{Int}(\alpha)$ ?

Can look for polynomials (not nec. irred.)  $X^d - a_1 X^{d-1} + \dots$ ,  
s.t. coeffs  $\in \mathbb{Z}$ , all roots are real  $> 0$ .

Let  $F_k =$  set of all such pol. with  $a_1 = d+k$ .

Wanted: For a given degree  $d$ , list of polyn. in  $F_k$ .

Write  $P = Q_1 \dots Q_k$   $Q_i$  irred/ $\mathbb{Q}$

$Q_i$ 's have same property, and also

$$a_1(P) - \deg(P) = \sum_i \underbrace{a_1(Q_i) - \deg(Q_i)}_{\geq 0}$$

So suppose  $k=1$ :  $P = Q_1 = Q_2$

one  $Q_i$  with defect 1, others defect 0.

So  $(x-1) \dots (x-1) \cdot (x-2)$

$\hookrightarrow (x-1) \dots (x-1) \cdot (x^2 - 3x + 1)$

Now if  $\pi$  is s.t.  $\text{Tr}(\pi) = g^{-k}$ ,  $x_\alpha = \pi_\alpha + \bar{\pi}_\alpha$

take  $P = \prod (X - (m+1 - \pi_\alpha - \bar{\pi}_\alpha))$ .

This has tot. positive roots, defect  $k$ , hence is part of my list, etc.

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Set  $x = [z] + \{z\}$   
 int part    frac'l part.

$$2\sqrt{q} = m + \{2\sqrt{q}\}$$

So claim: second defect 1 case is possible only if  $\{2\sqrt{q}\} \geq \frac{\sqrt{r}-1}{2} = 0.6$

Since  $m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{r}}{2} \leq 2\sqrt{q}$  by Weid

so  $\{2\sqrt{q}\} \geq \frac{\sqrt{r}-1}{2}$

And similarly, all the defect 2 cases except the first case has an inequality of this kind attached:

defect 0 —

defect 1  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{—} \\ |2\sqrt{q}| > \frac{\sqrt{r}-1}{2} \end{array} \right.$

defect 2  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{—} \\ \text{—} \\ |2\sqrt{q}| > \sqrt{2}-1 = 0.4\dots \\ |2\sqrt{q}| > \sqrt{3}-1 = 0.7\dots \\ |2\sqrt{q}| > \frac{\sqrt{r}-1}{2} = 0.6\dots \\ \text{— same —} \\ |2\sqrt{q}| > 1 - 4\cos^2 \frac{3\pi}{7} = 0.8\dots \end{array} \right.$

Ex: The last case is possible for  $q=2$ :

$$|2\sqrt{2}| = 0.828\dots > 1 - 4\cos^2 \frac{3\pi}{7}$$

We will see:  $\exists$  curve/ $\mathbb{F}_2$ ,  $g=3$ , 7 pts,  $m=2$

$$1+2+6=9, \text{ so down by } 2,$$

and is of the last kind.  $\square$

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The families all occur (one thinks) for abelian varieties — not nec. for curves.

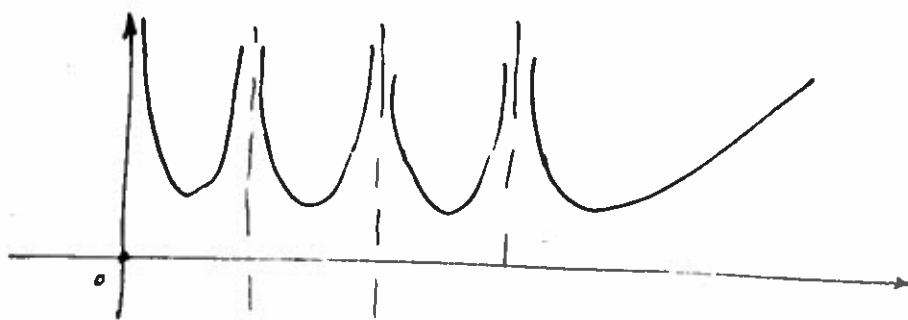
Smyth's proof of Siegel's Theorem:

Let  $P_\lambda(x)$  be a finite family of polynomials which are monic, all roots real and positive, coeffs in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .  
 Let  $c_\lambda$  be  $\geq 0$  real numbers.

Let  $g(x) = x - \sum_{\lambda} c_{\lambda} \log |P_{\lambda}(x)| \quad x > 0, x \neq \text{root of } P_{\lambda}$

and let  $\min(g) =$  minimum of  $g$  on  $[0, +\infty]$ .

Graph is



, hence a min exists.

Let  $\alpha$  be a totally positive alg integer  $\neq$  roots of the  $P_\lambda$ .

Then  $\boxed{\frac{\text{Tr}(\alpha)}{\text{deg}(\alpha)} \geq \min g}$ .

Proof: Let  $d = \text{deg}(\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d$  the conjugates,  $\alpha_i > 0$ .

$|P_\lambda(\alpha_1) \cdot P_\lambda(\alpha_2) \dots P_\lambda(\alpha_d)| \geq 1$

resultant of  $P_\lambda$  and irred poly of  $\alpha$ , so  $\in \mathbb{Z}^*$

so  $\sum \log |P_\lambda(\alpha_i)| \geq 0$ .

$\frac{\text{Tr}(\alpha)}{\text{deg} \alpha} = \frac{1}{d} \sum \alpha_i = \frac{1}{d} \sum g(\alpha_i) + \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d c_\lambda \log |P_\lambda(\alpha_i)|$

$\geq \frac{1}{d} \sum g(\alpha_i) \geq \min g \geq 0$

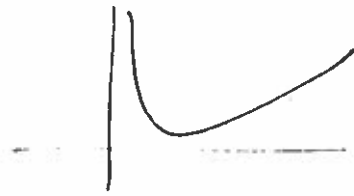


Examples: •  $g(x) = x - \log|x|$

$\min(g) = 1$

so get  $\text{Tr}(\alpha) \geq \deg(\alpha)$

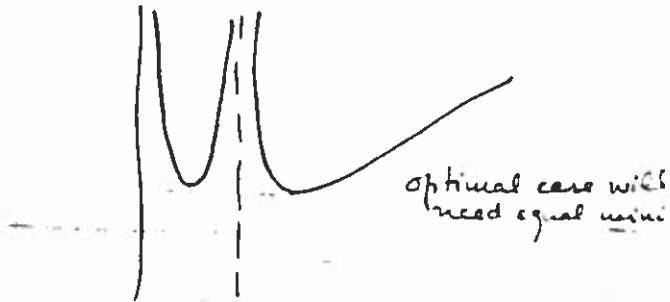
And get equality only for  $\alpha = 1$ .



•  $g(x) = x - \frac{3}{4} \log|x| - \frac{3}{4} \log|x-1|$

$g'(x) = 1 - \frac{3}{4x} - \frac{3}{4(x-1)}$

find zeros, etc.



Find:  $\min g > 1.46$ , hence get  $\frac{\text{Tr}(\alpha)}{\deg(\alpha)} > 1.46$  for  $\alpha \neq 1$ .

•  $g(x) = x - a \log|x| - b \log|x-1| - c \log|x^2 - 3x + 1|$

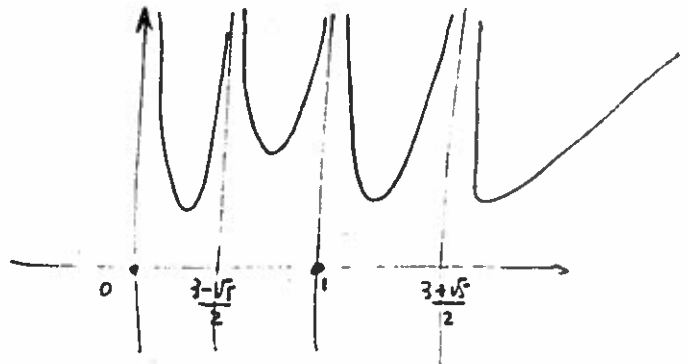
Taking  $a = 0.574$   
 $b = 0.879$   
 $c = 0.374$

one gets  $\min g > 1.591$ ,

hence  $\frac{\text{Tr}(\alpha)}{\deg(\alpha)} > 1.59$

$\alpha \neq 1, \alpha \neq \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$

This improves Siegel.



• Smyth gets 1.7719

$$x_\alpha = \pi_\alpha + \bar{\pi}_\alpha \quad \alpha = 1, \dots, g$$

Theorem: Suppose  $\{1, \dots, g\}$  can be partitioned in two non-empty subsets  $I$  and  $J$  s.t.:

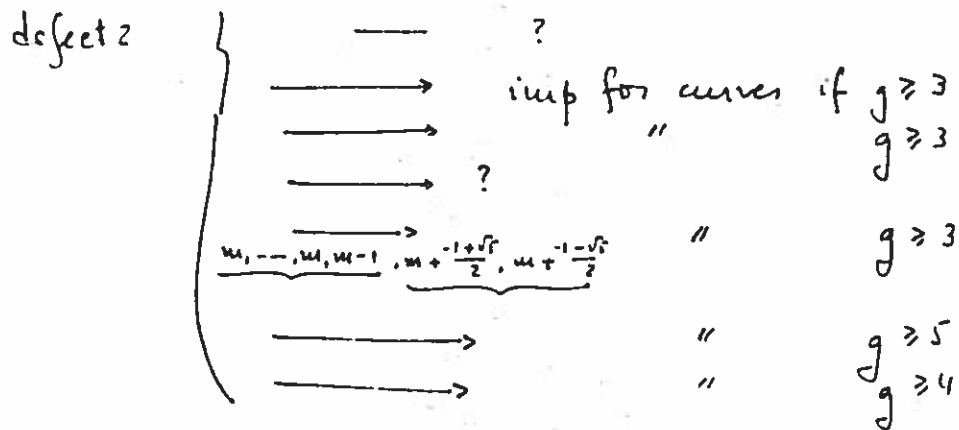
a) The  $x_\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in I$ ) are permuted by  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q})$   
 (Same for  $x_\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in J$ )).

b)  $x_\alpha - x_\beta$   $\alpha \in I, \beta \in J$  is a unit (any  $\alpha, \beta$ ).

Then the given abelian variety is not a jacobian.

(i.e., such a partition does not exist for the  $\pi_\alpha$ 's coming from a curve).

[ Eg.:  $m, m, \dots, m, m-1$  is impossible for curves if  $g \geq 2$  ]  
 second defect 1 case imp. " " "  $g \geq 3$



$\therefore$  For curves, many of the condns on  $g$  are equalities.



So table for curves is

defect 0	—	$g \geq 0$
defect 1	{ —	$g = 1$
	—	$g = 2$
defect 2	{ —	$g \geq 1$
	—	$g = 2$
	—	$g = 2$
	—	$g \geq 2$
	—	$g = 3$
	—	$g = 3$

Reformulate conditions:

$$P(x) = \prod_{\alpha=1}^d (x - \alpha) \quad \text{monic, coeffs} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

So (a) & (b)  $\iff P = P_1 \cdot P_2$  where  $\deg(P_i) \geq 1$ ,  $P_i$  monic coeffs and  $\text{Res}(P_1, P_2) = \pm 1$ .

$\iff P_1$  &  $P_2$  generate the unit ideal in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ .

Pf  $A$  ab. variety /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $\pi: A \rightarrow A$   
 $\pi = F$  (Frobenius)

Have  $V: A \rightarrow A$  s.t.  $FV = VF = q$ .

(C. 1970, Waterhouse)

$$x_a = \pi_a + \frac{q}{\pi_a}$$

$F+V$  is as on the  $V_2(A)$ .

So eigenvalues of  $F+V$  are the  $x_a$  (each twice).

Now  $P(x) = \prod (x - x_a)$ , so  $P(x)^2$  is char polyn of  $F+V$ .

This gives  $P(F+V)^2 = 0$ . In fact  $P(F+V) = 0 \in \text{End}(A)$ .

So look at

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z}[x] & \longrightarrow & \text{End}(A) \\ f & \longmapsto & f(F+V) \end{array}$$

get

$$\mathbb{Z}[x]/P \longrightarrow \text{End}(A)$$

if  $P = P_1 \cdot P_2$ ,  $P_1, P_2$  strongly rel. prime, so  $1 = Q_1 P_1 + Q_2 P_2$ ,

$$\mathbb{Z}[x]/P \xrightarrow{\quad} \text{End } A$$

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$$\mathbb{Z}[x]/P_1 \times \mathbb{Z}[x]/P_2$$

$$e_1 = Q_1 P_1 \quad e_2 = Q_2 P_2$$

are orthogonal idempotents

So define  $A_1 = \ker e_2$ ,  $A_2 = \ker e_1$

Then one has  $A_1 \times A_2 \hookrightarrow A$

And inverse is  $A \xrightarrow{(e_1, e_2)} A_1 \times A_2$

So  $A \cong A_1 \times A_2$  hence  $A, A$  are abelian varieties

And eigenvalues of  $F+V$  on  $A_1$  give  $P_1$ .  
 on  $A_2$  give  $P_2$ .

But  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{F}_q}(A_1, A_2) = 0$  (Since  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{F}_q}(\ ) \neq 0$  iff  
 there is a common root  
 of  $F+V$ .)

Polarization on ab. variety is a hom  $A \longrightarrow \hat{A}$   
 " " " "  
 $A_1 \times A_2 \longrightarrow \hat{A}_1 \times \hat{A}_2$

Since  $A_1 \sim \hat{A}_1$ ,  $A_2 \sim \hat{A}_2$ , must have  $A_1 \longrightarrow \hat{A}_1$   
 $A_2 \longrightarrow \hat{A}_2$

So every polarization on  $A$  is decomposable.

So  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  divisor on  $A$  is  $\mathcal{O}(1) \times A_2 + A_1 \times \mathcal{O}(1)$

But: on a Jacobian, the  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ -divisor is irreducible.  $\square$

10/8 Theorem (Beauville) If  $q (=p^e, e \geq 1)$  is either of the form  $x^2+1$  ( $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) or  $x^2+x+1$  ( $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ ), then, if  $X$  is a curve of genus  $g \geq 2$  on  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $N(X) \neq q+1 - gm$ ,  $N(X) \neq q+1 + gm$ , where  $m = [2q^{1/2}] = 2x$  or  $2x+1$ , resp.

Corollary:  $|N(X) - (q+1)| < gm$

Take  $x > 0$ .

Special case (Stark):  $q = 13 = 3^2 + 3 + 1$ ,  $g = 2$  so  $m = 7$ .

So  $|N - 14| < 14$

when  $g = 2, 3$ , 3 different proof involving classes of Hermitian forms.

Note  
1) If  $q = x^2 + 1$ ,  $4q = 4x^2 + 4 < (2x+1)^2$  (clear!)

so  $4x^2 < 4q < (2x+1)^2$

So  $[\sqrt{4q}] = 2x = m$ .

If  $q = x^2 + x + 1$ ,  $4q = (2x+1)^2 + 3$  etc., so  $m = 2x+1$ .

so  $m^2 - 4q = \begin{cases} -4 & \text{first case} \\ -3 & \text{second case} \end{cases}$

2) If  $q = p$  prime, it is open whether there are so many such primes. One thinks there should be

In fact  $\# \{p \leq P : p = x^2 + 1\} \sim c \frac{P}{(\log P)^2}$  is a conj.

3) If  $q = p^e$ ,  $e$  odd  $\geq 3$

Only sol'n:  $7^3 = 18^2 + 18 + 1$

Point is  $y^e = x^2 + 1$  no soln if  $e$  odd  $\geq 3$  (Lebesgue 1850)

$y^e = x^2 + x + 1$  only one soln (non-trivial)  $e$  odd  $\geq 3$   
Nagel, Ljunggren

Both cases:  $p$ -adic method of Skolem.

Proof: Consider the case  $q = x^2 + 1$ , so  $m = 2x$ ; assume  $x$  is given?  
and  $N(x) = q + 1 - gm$ .

Then I can arrange the eigenvalues of Frob  $\pi_a$  s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \pi_1 + \bar{\pi}_1 = m & \pi_1 \bar{\pi}_1 = q = x^2 + 1 \\ \vdots \\ \pi_g + \bar{\pi}_g = m & \pi_g \bar{\pi}_g = q \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } \begin{cases} \pi_1 = \dots = \pi_g \\ \bar{\pi}_1 = \dots = \bar{\pi}_g \end{cases}$$

(If I assumed  
 $N(x) = q + 1 + gm$ ,  
would get  
 $\pi_1 = -x + i$ ;

$$\text{So } \pi_1 = x + i, \quad \bar{\pi}_1 = x - i$$

If  $q = x^2 + x + 1$ ,  
get  $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ ,  $\omega^3 = 1$

$$\text{So } \mathbb{Z}[\pi_1] = \mathbb{Z}[i]$$

Let  $F = \text{Frob.}$ ; then eigenvalues are  $x + i$   $g$  times,  $x - i$   $g$  times.

$$\text{Put } \sigma = F - x \in \text{End}(\text{Jac}(X))$$

$\therefore$  eigenvalues of  $\sigma$  are  $i$  ( $g$  times),  $-i$  ( $g$  times).

$$\therefore \sigma^4 = 1, \quad \sigma^2 = -1.$$

Polarizations are  $Jac(X) \xrightarrow{\sim} Jac(X)^*(\text{dual})$  Se 14  
or equiv. classes of ample divisors

Recall:

Parenthesis on Torelli's theorem

$X$  genus  $g (\geq 2) \longrightarrow Jac(X)$ , ab. variety dim  $g$   
w/ a polarization gives  
by image of  $X$  to power  
 $g-1$  (which is ample  
(divisor!)).

Weil, in  
2 of coll.  
apers.

Thm: Let  $X, X'$  be two curves over a <sup>perfect</sup> field  $k$ .

Let  $\varphi: Jac(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} Jac(X')$  be an isom. compatible with  
polarizations.

- Then
- if  $X$  is hyperelliptic, there exists a unique isom.  
 $f: X \xrightarrow{\cong} X'$  which gives  $\varphi$ .
  - if  $X$  is not hyperelliptic, there exists a unique  
isom  $f: X \xrightarrow{\sim} X'$  and a unique  $\epsilon \in \{\pm 1\}$  s.t.  
 $f$  gives  $\epsilon\varphi$ .

Corollary: If  $\sigma$  is an automorphism of  $Jac(X)$  preserving  
the polarization, then either  $\sigma$  or  $-\sigma$  comes from  
an autom. of  $X$ .

Finite parentheses

Now we want to prove our  $\sigma$  is compatible with the polarization

Compatibility of  $\sigma$  w/ polarization

Can view polarization as giving an alternating form on  
 $V_x$ .

$V_\ell =$  Tate-module attached to some ab. var.

Lang  $\hookrightarrow E: V_\ell \times V_\ell \longrightarrow V_\ell(\mathbb{Q}_\ell) \cong \mathbb{Q}_\ell$  non-deg. alternating form.  
not can.

and we have  $E(Fx, Fy) = \eta E(x, y)$   $F = \text{Frob.}$  in a similitude

(using  $V: FV = \eta$ , get  $E(Fx, y) = E(x, Vy)$ )  
 $\rightarrow$  to adjoint of  $F$  w.r.t.  $E$  in  $V$ .

In our case  $F$  is like  $x+i$ , so  $V$  is like  $x-i \implies$

$\implies$  in our case adj. on  $\mathbb{Z}[i] =$  ring gen by  $F$  is  
 or conjugation.

i.e., for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}[F] \cong \mathbb{Z}[i]$ ,  $\text{adj}(\lambda) = \bar{\lambda}$ .

For our  $\sigma$ , get  $E(\sigma x, y) = E(x, \bar{\sigma} y) = E(x, \sigma' y)$

$$\therefore E(\sigma x, \sigma y) = E(x, y).$$

So  $\sigma$  preserves  $E \therefore$  the polarization.  $\square$

$\therefore \sigma$  or  $-\sigma$  comes from an autom. of  $X$ , so both are ( $\sigma^3 = -\sigma$ , etc)

(if  $f = x^2 + x + 1$  get either  $\sigma$  or  $-\sigma$ ) order 3 order 6

So  $\sigma$  comes from an autom. of  $X$ .

I claim: if  $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_g$  are a basis of dfk's on  $X$ , then  
 $\sigma^* \omega_i = \lambda \omega_i$ ,  $\lambda$  indep. of  $i$  fixed.

Pr: dfk's come from  $\text{Jac}(X)$ , so we want to prove this on Tgt space to  $\text{Jac}(X)$ . But  $F=0$  on tgt space,  $\sigma = F - x$ , hence  $\sigma$  acts by  $-x$  on tgt space. So  $\lambda = -x$  or  $x$ .  $\square$

Canonical map:  $\text{can}: X \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{g-1}$

defined by taking  $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_g$  as homog. coords.

Non-homogeneously:  $Q \longmapsto (1, \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}(Q), \dots, \frac{\omega_g}{\omega_1}(Q))$

for  $g \geq 2$ . ) if  $X$  is not hyperelliptic, can is an embedding  
 ) if  $X$  is hyperelliptic, image has genus zero & can has degree 2

(So gives  $X \xrightarrow{\text{order } 2} \mathbb{P}^1$  covering)

Then  $\sigma$  acts trivially on image(can); in the first case, this implies  $\sigma = 1$ ; in the second case, this implies  $\sigma$  is of order 2,  $\sigma = \pm 1$ .  $\square$

[ Original proof (w/o can) used "Wood's hole fixed pt formula" ]



Review of  $q=1$ :

Elliptic Curves

$\pi, \bar{\pi}$  eigenvalues of  $F$ ,  $\pi\bar{\pi} = q$ ,  $a = \pi + \bar{\pi}$  trace.

$$|a| \leq 2q^{1/2}, \quad q = p^e \quad e \geq 1, \quad p \text{ prime}$$

For a given  $q$ , what are the possibilities for  $a$ ?

(~1942)

Answer is implicit in Deuring; Waterhouse (Ann. ENS, 1969):

Answer is: <sup>Suppose</sup>  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $|a| \leq 2q^{1/2}$

Theorem (i) if  $a$  is prime to  $p$ ,  $a$  is OK (i.e., is  $\text{tr } F$  for some elliptic curve /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ) ("ordinary case").

(ii) if  $p|a$ , then  $a$  is OK if and only if either:

$$q = p^e, \quad e \text{ even}, \quad a = \pm 2p^{e/2}$$

$$q = p^e, \quad e \text{ even}, \quad a = \pm p^{e/2}, \quad p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$q = p^e, \quad e \text{ even}, \quad a = 0 \quad p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$q = p^e, \quad e \text{ odd} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a = 0 \\ a = \pm p^{\frac{e+1}{2}} \end{array} \right. \quad p = 2 \text{ or } 3$$

[Note:  $p^{\frac{e+1}{2}} \leq 2p^{e/2} \Rightarrow p^{1/2} \leq 2 \Rightarrow p \leq 4$ ]

a determine curve up to  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -isom

Proof (i) Start in char = 0 and reduce.

$\pi^2 - a\pi + q = 0 \implies \pi$  generates a ring  $R \subset$  imag.  $q$ . field.  
 can prove  $\implies \exists$  curve/ $\mathbb{C}$  with  $\text{End} \cong R$ .

Write it over  $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}$ , then some number field  $K$ .

Prove: good redn at  $p$  for  $K$  large enough, so reduce at  $p$ .

Get an "ordinary" curve because  $p \nmid a$ . So  $\text{End} \subset$  imag. quad. field!

Prove: this is def over some  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , and the Frob  $\pi'$  is  $\pi^N$ .

Now use descent. This gives the desired curve.  $\square$

(ii) supersingular curves

$\text{End} =$  max'l order in the quat. algebra  $H_{p,\infty}$  ramified at  $p$  and  $\infty$  (and not elsewhere).

$\pi = \text{Frob} \in \text{End}$  has a power  $F^f$  ( $f \geq 1$ ) which is a scalar (i.e.,  $\in \text{center}(H_{p,\infty})$ ).

So look for  $\pi \in H_{p,\infty}$ ,  $\pi$  integer,  $\pi\bar{\pi} = q$  s.t. some power of  $\pi$  is an element of  $\mathbb{Q} \subset H_{p,\infty}$ .

Such a  $\pi$  gives an ell. curve (take max'l order containing it, get ell. curve, descend.)

(know  $\sum_{E \text{ s.s.}} \frac{1}{\# \text{Aut}(E)} = \frac{p-1}{24} \implies$  this shows that some ss curve exists.)

Suppose  $f = \beta^e$ ,  $e$  even.

look at  $z = \frac{\pi}{\beta^{e/2}}$ ; this is still an integer (look at val's)

So have  $x\bar{x} = 1$ ,  $z$  integer  $x \in \text{quad. field}$

So  $a = \pm 2\beta^{e/2} \longleftrightarrow \text{roots of } 1 : \pm 1$

$a = \pm \beta^{e/2} \longleftrightarrow \text{roots of order } 3, 6 \text{ or } 4$

(then  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{a}) \subset \mathbb{H}_{p, \infty}$ , say, then  $p$  cannot be split)

etc.

Suppose  $f = \beta^e$ ,  $e$  odd; let  $z = \frac{\pi}{\beta^{e/2}}$

then  $x^2 - \lambda x + \beta = 0$  and  $\lambda$  is div. by  $\beta$  (since  $\lambda = x + \bar{x}$ )  
look at val's

But  $\lambda \leq 2\beta^{1/2}$ .

So either  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\beta = 2, \lambda = \pm 2$ ,  $\beta = 3, \lambda = \pm 3$ .

This gives the result.  $\blacksquare$

Let  $N_q(1) = \text{max'l number of pts. on ell. curve}/\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $m = [2q^{1/2}]$ .

Theorem:  $N_q(1) = q + 1 + m$ , except when  $q = \beta^e$ ,  $e$  odd,  $e \geq 5$  and  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{\beta}$ , in which case  $N_q(1) = q + m$ .

smallest exceptional <sup>case</sup>  $q = 128 = 2^7$

Proof: When can we have  $a = -m$ ?

a) OK when  $p \nmid m$

b) OK when  $q$  is a square, since  $a = -2q^{1/2}$  is allowed

Remains:  $q = p^e$ ,  $e$  odd,  $p \nmid m$ .

df  $e = 1$ , OK:  $p \mid a \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = 0 & \text{if } p \geq 5 \\ a = \pm p & \text{if } p = 2, 3. \end{cases}$  But  $m \neq 0$ , cannot have  $p \mid m$ .

df  $e = 3$ , have  $4p^3 = m^2 + \epsilon$   $1 \leq \epsilon \leq 2m < 2^{3/2} p^{3/2}$

Now suppose  $m = p\mu$ :  $4p^3 = p^2\mu^2 + \epsilon \Rightarrow p^2 \mid \epsilon$

$$\text{so } p^2 < 2^{3/2} p^{3/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow p^{1/2} < 2^{3/2} \Rightarrow p < 8$$

$\Rightarrow p = 2, 3, 5, 7$  and check these.  $\rightarrow$  cannot have  $p \mid m$ .

Finally, to get  $N_q(1)$  for  $q$  exceptional, note  $p \mid m \Rightarrow p \nmid (m-1)$ .

Exceptional:  $q = 2^7$ ,  $q = 7^5$

Take  $q = 2^*$ . When is this exceptional?

$$q = 2^7 : 2\sqrt{q} = 2 \cdot 2^{7/2} = 2^4 \cdot \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{2} = 1.0110101000001\dots \text{ in binary}$$

$$2^4 \cdot \sqrt{2} = 10110.10\dots$$

$$m = [2^4 \sqrt{2}] = 10110 \quad \therefore p \mid m$$

↑  
even!

Therefore  $2^7$  is exceptional, because  $\sqrt{2} = 1.0110101000001\dots$

↑   ↑   ↑   ↑  
 $2^7$   $2^{11}$   $2^{15}$   $2^{17}$

$\therefore \exists$  infinitely many exceptional  $2^*$ .

$$2\sqrt{3} = 3.110112022\dots \quad (3\text{-adic})$$

↑  $3^7$  exceptional

$$2\sqrt{7} = 5.20166\dots \quad (7\text{-adic})$$

↑  $7^5$  exceptional

So cannot know how many exceptional  $p^e$ 's for  $p > 2$ .

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last time:  $g=1$

Then  $N_q(1) = \text{max number of points of a curve of genus 1 over } \mathbb{F}_q$

Get:  $N_q(1) = 1 + q + u$ ,  $m = [2\sqrt{q}]$ ,  
 except, where  $q = p^e$ ,  $e$  odd  $\geq 3$ , and  $p|m$ , in  
 which case  
 $N_q(1) = q + u$

To find exceptional  $q$ , look at  $p$ -adic expansion of  $2\sqrt{q}$ .

Problem: Ell. curve over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , reduce mod  $p$ . For what  $p$ 's does it have maximal (or minimal) number of points?

Should find an infinite number, and should have to distinguish CM and non-CM. (Very hard to handle).

Still  $g=1$

$$\text{ref. Weil} = q + 1 + [2\sqrt{q}]$$

So have  $|\text{ref. Weil} - N_q(1)| \leq 1$  for all  $q$ .

(Will see: in  $g=2$   
 $|\text{ref. Weil} - N_q(2)| \leq 3$ .)

for  $g=3$ :

$$|\text{ref. Weil} - N_q(3)| \leq ?$$

Conjecture: For  $g=3, 4, 5$  and not many more,

$$|\text{ref. Weil} - N_q(g)| \leq C(g),$$

$C(g)$  depending only on  $g$ .

For  $g=1, 2$  (more generally, for hyperelliptic curves),  
have curve  $C$ , Frob.  $\pi \in \text{End}(J(C))$ .

$C$  hyperelliptic  $\Rightarrow \exists \sigma$  autom. of order 2 of  $C$  which  
acts by  $-1$  on  $\text{Jac}(X)$

$\begin{matrix} k' \\ 2 \\ k \end{matrix}$  quad. twist;  $\begin{matrix} \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \\ | \\ \mathbb{F}_q \end{matrix}$  then Frob of  $C_{\text{twisted}} = -\text{Frob of } C$

And if  $N(C) = q+1-a$ ,  $N(C_{\text{twisted}}) = q+1+a$ .

So  $N(C)$  max  $\Rightarrow N(C_{\text{twisted}})$  minimum (etc.).

if char  $\neq 2$ ,  $C$  is  $y^2 = f(x)$

$C_{\text{twist}}$  is  $y^2 = u f(x)$   $u \in \mathbb{F}_q$  not a square.

char = 2  $C$  is  $y^2 + y = \psi(x)$

$C_{\text{twist}}$  is  $y^2 + y = \psi(x) + a$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $a$  not of  $\dots$  ie., 701

For  $g=3$ , not hyperelliptic, the "min" and "max" problems will separate. But for large  $g$  and fixed  $q$ , "min" will be seen

Results of Tate and Honda

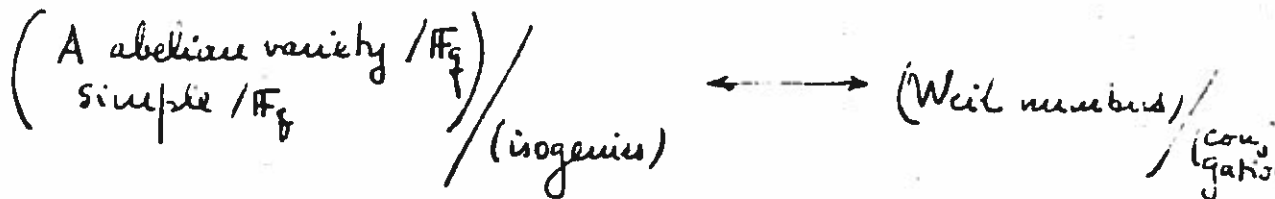
(Tate, Inventiones 2 (1966), 134-144

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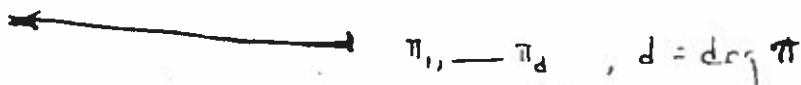
Milne & Waterhouse, Symp Pure Math AMS, — )

"Weil number" is an alg. integer  $\pi$  s.t. all conj. of  $\pi$  have (arch.) abs. value  $q^{1/2}$

one-one corresp:



A s.t. eigenvalue of Frob are  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_d$  repeated a certain number of times



Tate's theorem

$\pi$  Weil number,  $A$  the corresp. simple abelian variety.  
 Let  $\Lambda = \text{End}_{\mathbb{F}_q}(A) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ .



Then we know:

- (1)  $\Lambda$  is a division algebra.
- (2)  $\Lambda \supset \mathbb{Q}(\pi)$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\pi) = \text{center of } \Lambda$ .

The local invariant of  $\Lambda$  as element of  $\text{Br}(\mathbb{Q}(\pi))$  is  $(i_v)$ ,  $v$  place of  $\mathbb{Q}(\pi)$ ,  $i_v \in \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\sum i_v = 0$ .

- (3) if  $v$  is a real place,  $i_v = \frac{1}{2}$   
complex —,  $i_v = 0$   
 ———  $\ell$ -adic place,  $\ell \neq p$ ,  $i_v = 0$

if  $v$  has residue char  $p$ ,  $i_v = \frac{v(\pi)}{v(q)} [\mathbb{Q}(\pi)_v : \mathbb{Q}_p]$ .

- (4) Call  $r$  the smallest common denominator of the  $i_v$  (i.e., the order of  $\Lambda$  in  $\text{Br}(\mathbb{Q}(\pi))$ ).

$$\text{Then } [\Lambda : \mathbb{Q}(\pi)] = r^2$$

$$(5) \dim A = \frac{r}{2} [\mathbb{Q}(\pi) : \mathbb{Q}] = d_\pi$$

Corollary: The multiplicity of  $\pi$  as eigenvalue of Frob. in any ab. variety over  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q$  is a multiple of  $r$ .

(Since it occurs for  $A$  w/ multiplicity  $r = 2d_\pi / \text{no. of conj. s}$ )

$$q = p^2, \quad \overline{\pi} = p$$

$$\text{So } \mathbb{Q}(\pi) = \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\text{so } \begin{cases} i_\infty = 1/2 \\ i_p = 0 \\ i_v = \frac{1}{r} [\mathbb{Q} : \mathbb{Q}] = \frac{1}{r} \end{cases}$$

So  $A = H_{p, \infty}$  just alg. unramified at  $p, \infty$ .

So  $r=2$ ,  $\dim A = \frac{2}{2} [\mathbb{Q}:\mathbb{Q}] = 1$ , so  $A$  is ell. curve.

$\pi = \sqrt{p}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}(\pi) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})$

( $q = p = \text{prime}$ ) two real places  $i_{\infty_1} = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $i_{\infty_2} = \frac{1}{2}$

one  $p$ -adic place  $i_p = 0 \pmod{2}$ .

(since sum is zero mod 2).

So get quart field in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})$  unram. at  $\infty$ ,  $= H_{p, \text{prime}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})$ .

$r=2$ ,  $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})/\mathbb{Q}] = 2$  so  $\dim A = 2$ .

$\therefore$  multiplicity of  $\sqrt{p}$  as eigenvalue of Frob occurs always with even multiplicity (as desired way back when).

Ord. Ell. Curves:  $\pi \bar{\pi} = p$ ,  $\pi + \bar{\pi} = a$   $p, 1 \mid a$

(over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ )

$[\mathbb{Q}(\pi):\mathbb{Q}] = 2$ ,  $p$  splits

(look at Newton poly.)

$v_1, v_2 \text{ div } p \Rightarrow v_1(\pi) = 0 \quad v_2(\pi) = 1$

So  $i_{v_1} = 0$ ,  $i_{v_2} = 1 \cdot 1 = 0 \in \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$ .

$\rightarrow$  no real places.

So  $A = \mathbb{Q}(\pi)$ .

Recall: 3 quadratic  $\pi$ 's "forbidden" for ell. curves  
 In particular:

$m = [2g^{1/2}]$  is not trace Frob if  $g = p^e$   $e$  odd  $\geq 3$   
 and  $p \nmid m$ .

If  $\pi = \frac{m + \sqrt{m^2 - 4g}}{2}$ ,  $\pi$  cannot be Frob on ell. curve.

In fact: In that case the "r" attached to  $\pi$  is odd  $\geq 5$ .

In particular, a curve of genus 2, 3, 4 over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  cannot have  $q + 1 \pm gm$  points.

For that we need  $\bar{\pi}_1, \bar{\pi}_1, \dots, \bar{\pi}_g, \bar{\pi}_g$

with  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\pi}_1 + \bar{\pi}_1 = -m \\ \bar{\pi}_g + \bar{\pi}_g = -m \end{array} \right.$

$\Rightarrow (\bar{\pi}_1, \bar{\pi}_1)$  repeated  $g$  times.

But Claim  $\Rightarrow$  repeated at least  $r \geq 5$  times.

$\therefore g \geq 5. \quad \square$

Proof: Set  $g = p^{2f+1}$ ,  $f \geq 1$  (in fact  $f \geq 2$ ).

Claim:  $p^{f+1}$  does not divide  $m$

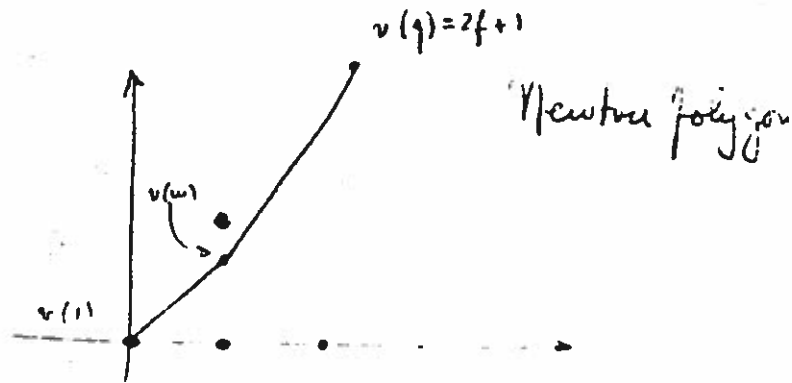
In fact  $4g = m^2 + k$   $1 \leq k \leq 2m$

$p^{f+1} \nmid m \Rightarrow p^{2f+2} \nmid 4g$  and  $p^{2f+2} \nmid m^2 \Rightarrow p^{2f+1} \nmid k$

So  $p^{f+\frac{1}{2}} \leq 4 \Rightarrow p^{5/2} \leq 4 \Rightarrow p^5 \leq 16 \quad \checkmark$   
 (f > 2)

Hence  $v_p(m) \leq f$ .

$\pi$  satisfies  $\pi^2 - m\pi + q = 0$



I've proved  $v(u)$  is below the line.

Hence  $p$  splits in  $\mathbb{Q}(\pi)$  and the root of  $\pi$  at  $v_1$  dividing  $q$ , are the slopes:  $v(u)$ ,  $2f+1 - v(u)$ .

$i_r$  of Tate's theorem

At  $\infty$  :  $i_\infty \rightarrow 0$

At  $v_1$  :  $i_{v_1} = \frac{v(u)}{2f+1} = \alpha$

Know:  $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$

At  $v_2$  :  $i_{v_2} = \frac{2f+1 - v(u)}{2f+1}$

Denominator?

$n = \frac{2f+1}{\text{gcd}(2f+1, v(u))}$

so  $n$  is odd,  $> 3$

So we need to show  $r \neq 3$  ( $\because r \geq 5$ ).

Assume  $r=3$ , so  $\alpha = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $v(u) = \frac{1}{3}(2f+1)$  so  $f = 1+3F$

$$\text{So } q = p^{6F+3}, m = p^{2F+1} \cdot M, p \nmid M$$

$$\text{Write } 4q = m^2 + k \quad 1 \leq k \leq 2u \leq 4q^{1/2}$$

$$\text{So } 4p^{6F+3} = p^{4F+2} M^2 + k$$

$$\text{So } p^{4F+2} \mid k \implies p^{4F+2} \leq 4p^{3F+3/2}$$

$$\implies p^{F+1/2} \leq 4$$

$$\implies \left. \begin{array}{l} p \leq 16 \text{ if } F=0 \\ p^3 \leq 16 \text{ if } F=1 \end{array} \right\} \implies p=2$$

And check the feasible cases.  $\square$

For realizing the Weil bound, need  $\pi = \frac{-u \pm \sqrt{u^2 - 4q}}{2}$ ,  $p \nmid u$ .  
So have ell. curve  $E_\pi$ .

Want  $C$  s.t.  $\text{Jac} \sim E_\pi \times \dots \times E_\pi$

To go down by 2, find  $E'$  w/  $T_\pi = -(u-2)$ , and look  
for  $\text{Jac} \sim E_\pi \times \dots \times E_\pi \times E'$ .

Problem

FIND: Curves with Jacobian  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{isogenous} \\ \text{or} \\ \text{isomorphic} \end{array} \right\}$  to a product of ell. curves

"Reduction of abelian integrals to elliptic integrals"  
diff forms

$$C \xrightarrow{\tau} \text{Jac} \xrightarrow{\sim} E_1 \times \dots \times E_g$$

find a basis of diff'l forms of first kind on  $C$  by taking  $C \rightarrow E_i$  and pulling back the diff. first kind on  $E_i$ .

~1830, Legendre + Jacobi

$\alpha, \beta$  numbers

Take  $C$  genus 2 ramif. at  $0, 1, \alpha, \beta, \alpha\beta, \infty$ , so assume  
 $\alpha \neq 0, 1$   
 $\beta \neq 0, 1, \alpha, \alpha^{-1}$   
 i.e., all distinct.

Consider  $y^2 = x(x-1)(x-\alpha)(x-\beta)(x-\alpha\beta)$

Basis of  $dfk : \left\{ \frac{dx}{y}, \frac{x dx}{y} \right\}$

Define  $\omega_1 = \frac{x + \sqrt{\alpha\beta}}{y} dx$

$\omega_2 = \frac{x - \sqrt{\alpha\beta}}{y} dx$

Change variables,  $(x, y) \rightarrow (X, Y_1)$   $X = z + \frac{\alpha\beta}{z}$

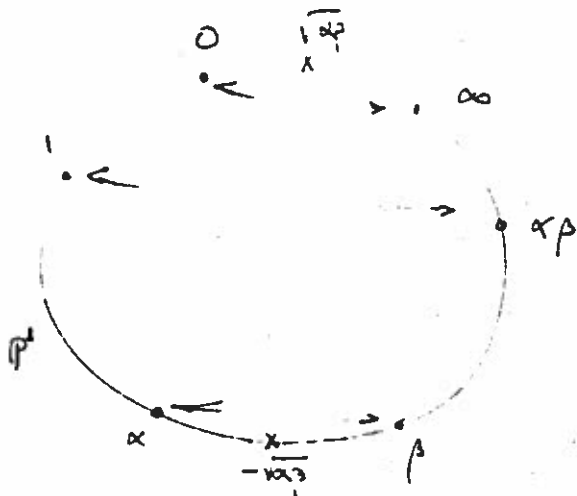
$$Y_1 = y \frac{z - \sqrt{\alpha\beta}}{z^2}$$

$$Y_1^2 = (X - 2\sqrt{\alpha\beta})(X - (\alpha + \beta))(X - (1 + \alpha\beta))$$

and pullback of  $\frac{dX}{Y_1}$  is  $\omega_1$  :  $\omega_1 = \frac{dX}{Y_1}$

Same for  $Y_2$  w/ change of sign,  $\omega_2 = \frac{dX}{Y_2}$

Geometrically

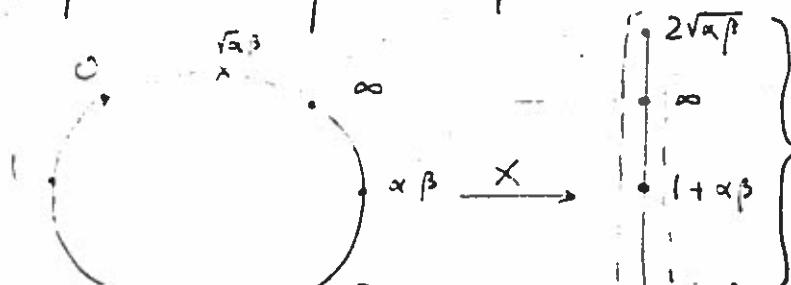


$$x \xrightarrow{\sigma} \frac{\alpha\beta}{x}$$

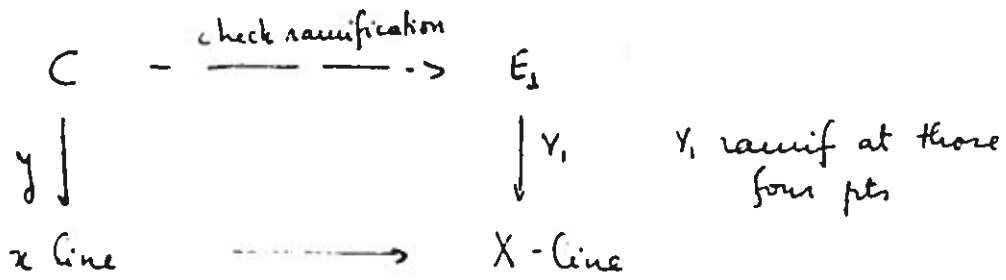
involution

fixed points:  $x = \frac{\alpha\beta}{x} \implies x = \sqrt{\alpha\beta}, z = -\sqrt{\alpha\beta}$

mod out by  $\sigma$  :  $X = \text{quotient by } \sigma = x + \sigma(x)$

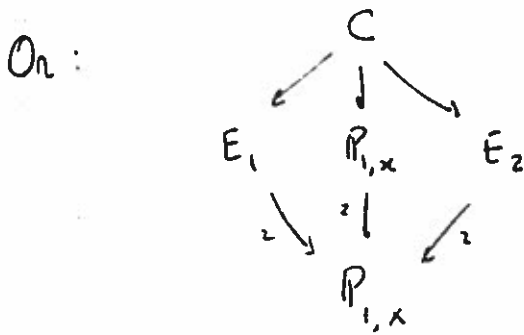


make the ell. curve ramified here



And the map  $C \rightarrow E_1$  is as given above.

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Program: "glue" elliptic curves to get  $C$  of genus 2



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Last time: reduction of abelian integrals to elliptic ones.

Legendre-Jacobi:  $g=2$ , example

Therin / Kuhn: information on general question: curves of genus  $g$  with Jacobian isogenous (or even isomorphic) to a product of elliptic curves.

Does that exist for any  $g$ ?

an infinite seq. of  $g$ 's? / char  $p$   
 (in char  $p$ ,  $x^{p^2} + y^{p^2} + z^{p^2} = 0$  has jac. which splits into s.s. elliptic curves).

Say,  $g=4$ . Is it "likely" to get such curves?

$g=4 \longrightarrow 4$  parameters (to split into ell. curve)  
 $1$  eqn  $\longrightarrow$  OK

$g=10 \longrightarrow 10$  parameters  
 $\frac{10 \cdot 11}{2} - 21 \gg 0$  } rather surprising that examples exist.

Example:  $g=7$ ,  $X_0(60)$ ; let  $J_0(60) = \text{Jac } X_0(60)$

$J_0(15) \implies J_0(60)$  (maps are  $z \rightarrow z, z \rightarrow 2z, z \rightarrow 4z$ )  
 ell. curve over  $\mathbb{Q}$  since  $60 = 4 \times 15$

$T(15) \longrightarrow T(60)$

finally  $J_0(30)^{\text{new}}$   $\implies J_0(60)$   
 ell. curve

$$J_0(60) \sim \text{product} \\ J_0(15)^3 \times J_0(20)^2 \times J_0(30)$$

Answer:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} X_0(180) ; g=25, \text{ splits} \\ X_0(198), g=29, \text{ splits} \\ X_0(288), g=33, \text{ splits} \\ X_0(300), g=43, \text{ splits} \end{array} \right.$

Kuhle gets infinitely many examples w/  $g=37$ .

$J_0(300)$  includes 2 copies of  $J_0(150)^{\text{new}}$ , which splits into three elliptic curves. So have some "accidental" splitting.

Question: why so often?

Theorem for  $g=2$ : (Conjecture  $N_g(2)$ ) Let  $m = \lfloor 2g^{1/2} \rfloor$

(a) If  $g$  is a square, then:

• if  $g \neq 4, 9$ , then  $N = 1 + g + 4g^{1/2} = 1 + g + 2m$

• if  $g = 4$ ,  $N = 10$  (Weil: 13) (down by 3)

• if  $g = 9$ ,  $N = 19$

• if  $g = 16$ ,  $N = 28$

• if  $g = 25$ ,  $N = 37$

• if  $g = 36$ ,  $N = 46$

• if  $g = 49$ ,  $N = 55$

⑥ If  $q$  is not a square, define  $q$  to be special if either  $p|m$  or  $q$  is represented by one of the quadratic polynomials  $x^2+1, x^2+x+1, x^2+x+2$ .  
Then:

- if  $q$  is not special,  $N = 1 + q + 2ue$  (Write)
- if  $q$  is special,  $N = \begin{cases} q + 2ue & \text{if } \{2\sqrt{q}\} > \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} = 0.618.. \\ q + 2u - 1 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$

Remark on the special  $q$ 's:  $q = p^{2e+1}, e \geq 0$

If  $e=0$ , i.e.,  $q=p$ , then  $p$  is special iff representable by  $x^2+1, x^2+x+1$ .

[ $p|m$  only for  $p=2,3$ , and they are repres. by poly.]  
[ $x^2+x+2$  is even, so only for  $2 = 1^2+1$ .

If  $e \geq 1$ , then  $p|m$  should occur for infinitely many  $e$  (question is zeros in  $p$ -expansion of  $2\sqrt{p}$ ), for a given  $p$ .

Both  $\{2\sqrt{q}\} > \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$  and  $< \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$  should occur infinitely often

Write:

$$2\sqrt{p} = * . a_1 a_2 \dots | 0 | \xrightarrow{\{2\sqrt{p}\}}$$

↑  
exceptional  $q$

should be  $<$  slightly more often than  $>$ . (0.6)

LIST OF  $q = p^{2e+1}$   $e \geq 1$

There are only 14 :

$q \leq 10^9$  s.t. plus

2  $7, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 27, 29$

3  $7, 15$

5  $9, 11$

7<sup>5</sup>

$\leq 10^9$

These are special by the first condition. What about second one?

Then (Lebesgue, Nagell, Ljunggren)

If  $q = p^{2e+1}$ ,  $e \geq 1$  is representable by  $x^2+1$ ,  $x^2+x+1$  or  $x^2+x+2$ , then

$$q = 2^3, 2^5, 2^{13} \quad (\text{rep. by } x^2+x+2)$$

$$q = 7^3 \quad (\text{rep. by } x^2+x+1)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2^3 = 2^2 + 2 + 2 \\ 2^5 = 5^2 + 5 + 2 \\ 2^{13} = 90^2 + 90 + 2 \\ 7^3 = 18^2 + 18 + 1 \end{array} \right.$$

The Theorem is about

$$y^n = x^2 + 1 \quad (x^2+x+1, x^2+x+2)$$

e.g.  $y^n = x^2 + 1$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $x \neq 0$

has no solutions.

$$2^3 : \{2\sqrt{8}\} = \{4\sqrt{2}\} = 0.65... > \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} \quad \text{so } q=8 \rightarrow \text{down by } 1$$

$$2^5, 2^{13}, 7^3 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{down by } 2$$

$$\{2\sqrt{7^3}\} = 0.01... \quad 4 \cdot 7^3 = 37^2 + 3$$

Recall

$$\sqrt{2} = \underbrace{1.0110101000001\dots}_{\text{small}}$$

$$2\sqrt{2}^{13} = 181. \text{small}$$

Idea for proof: 1) elementary construction of curves of genus 2 starting from ell. curves (Legendre)

2) using hermitian forms will give curves.

(In both of these,  $Jac \sim E_1 \times E_2$ )

3) Case "QVS": using a thm. of Shimura.

4) Non-existence proofs  $\rightarrow$  hermitian forms.

1-3 gives existence proofs

In the genus 1 case, our proof wasn't effective in the following sense:

$$\text{we proved } \max \text{ of pts} = \begin{cases} 1+g+m \\ 5 \\ g+m \end{cases}$$

But not how to construct the corresp. ell. curve.

Only idea: Take all ell. curves (about  $2g$  of them), compute number of pts on each. Stop when get the desired no. of pts.

This takes  $q^2(\log q)^2$  steps by the stupidest method.

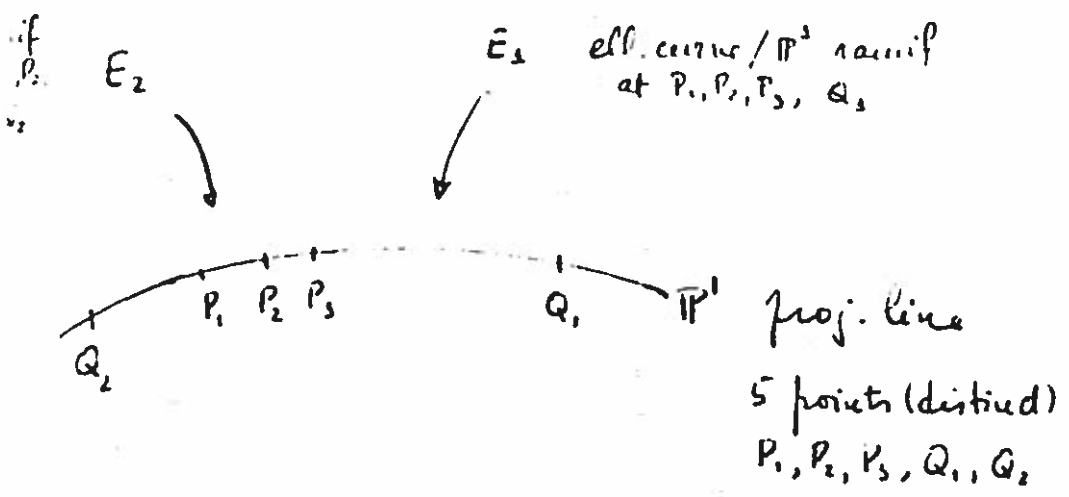
Schoof: one can compute # of pts in  $(\log q)^3$  steps

Can compute  $E_{2-1}(c_4, c_6) \equiv a_p \pmod{p}$

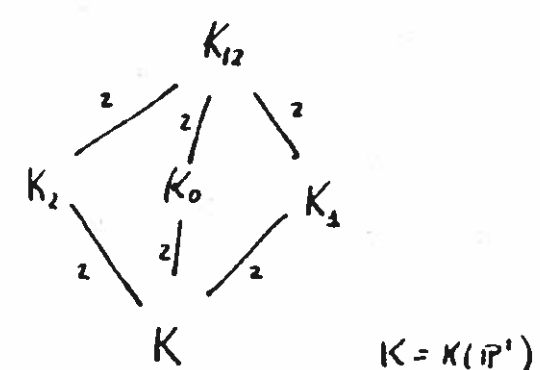
So have to solve it in  $c_4, c_6$ . But can use it to count # of pts. No great gain.

Our construction in 1) is effective if we know the eqn. for  $g=1$ .

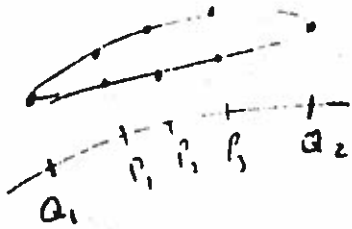
Legendre construction      char  $\neq 2$ .



In terms of fields:



$K_0 \leftrightarrow E_0$  ramif. only at  $Q_1, Q_2 \therefore g(K_0) = 0$



$$g(K_0) = 0$$

$P_i$  split into  $P_i', P_i''$

$g(K_{12}) = 2$  ram. at the pts  $P_1', P_1'', P_2', P_2'', P_3', P_3''$   
 $X_{12} = X \leftrightarrow K_{12}$  Have a group of type  $(2,2)$  acting on  $X$

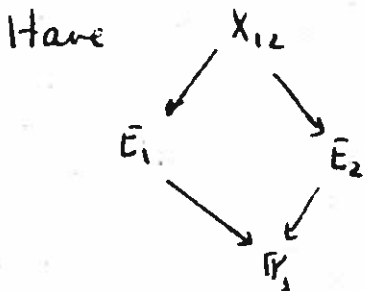
Exercise: In general,  $L/K, g(K) = 0, \text{Gal}(L/K)$  of type  $(c_1, \dots, c_r)$ .  
 Then

$$g(L) = \sum_{K' \subset L} g(K') \quad [K':K] = 2$$

$$= \sum_{\chi \text{ char. of Gal}(L/K)} g(K^\chi)$$

Then:

$$\text{Jac}(X) \underset{(\text{isog.})}{\sim} E_1 \times E_2$$



; these give a map  $\text{Jac}(X) \rightarrow E_1 \times E_2$ ; use the group action to get the splitting.

du fait, kernel has type  $(2,2)$ .

We apply this over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , char  $\neq 2$ :

$E_1, E_2$  give ell. curves.

"One can glue these"  $\iff$   $\exists X$  of genus 2 (over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ )  
s.t.

$$\text{Jac } X \xrightarrow[\text{isog over } \mathbb{F}_q]{\sim} E_1 \times E_2$$

$\xleftrightarrow{\text{Take-Tate}} \iff$  eigenv. of Frob. on  $X = \{ \text{those on } E_1 \} \cup \{ \text{those of } E_2 \}$

$\implies$  Then  $N(X) = 1 + q - \underbrace{(\pi_1 + \bar{\pi}_1)}_{\text{eigenv. for } E_1} - \underbrace{(\pi_2 + \bar{\pi}_2)}_{\text{for } E_2}$

so  $N(X) = N(E_1) + N(E_2) - q - 1.$

Criteria for "gluing"

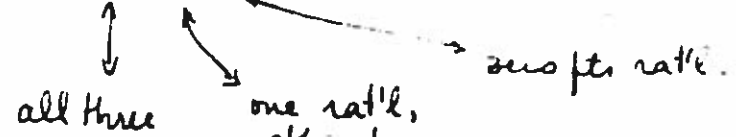
Let  $(E_i)_2$  be the group of 2-div. pts of  $E_i$  (if type  $(k, 4)$ )



Frob acts on the three non-zero pts: perm. of order 1, 2, or 3.

[Ord]: Assume: that order is the same for  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ .

$(y^2 = f_i(x); \text{ three pts } \leftrightarrow \text{ zeros of } f_i(x))$   
and order 1, 2, 3 corresponds to





Thus (char  $\neq 2$ ) Under this assumption, one can glue  $E_1$  to  $E_2$ , except maybe if:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{order of Frob} = 1, p = 3, j(E_1) = j(E_2) = 0 \\ \text{order of Frob} = 2, \text{ any } p, j(E_1) = j(E_2) = 1/2 \\ \text{-----} = 3, \text{ any } p, j(E_1) = j(E_2) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

(So if  $\text{Aut } E_1 = \text{Aut } E_2 = \{\pm 1\}$ , these assumptions  $\Rightarrow$  one can glue  $E_1$  &  $E_2$ ).

Example of non-gluing

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} q = 9, E_1 \text{ s. sing.}, \pi = +3 \\ E_2 = E_2 \end{array} \right.$$

$3x = x$  since  $2x = 0$  so [Ord] is true

if  $X$  exists, then 
$$N(X) = N(E_1) + N(E_2) - q - 1$$

$$= \underline{9+1-6} + \underline{9+1-6} - 9 - 1 = -2$$

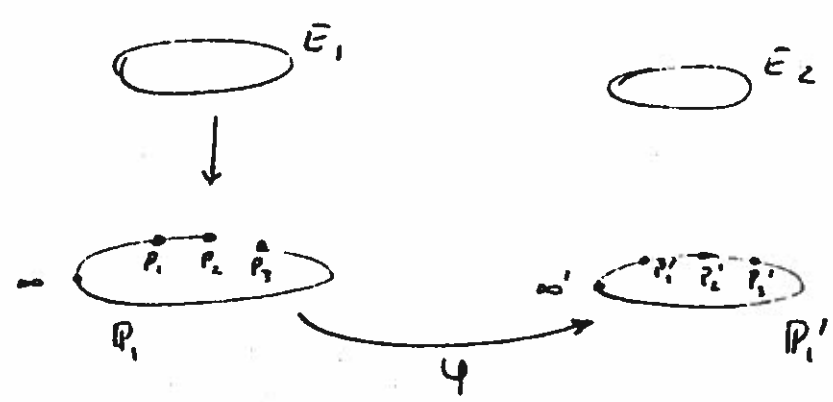
(If  $\pi = -3$ ,  $N(E_1) = 16$ , so  $N(X) = 22$  but  $X$  is a two-fold cover of  $\mathbb{F}_9$  which has 10 pts, so  $N(X) \leq 20$ .)

Proof: Write  $E_1$  as quad. covering of  $\mathbb{P}^1$  ramified at  $\infty$  and at  $P_1, P_2, P_3$  (corresp to the 2-div. pts.)

= order of Frob

So  $r$  acts on  $P_1, P_2, P_3$ .

Write  $E_2$  as quad extn of some other  $\mathbb{P}_3'$  ramif at  $\infty'$  and  $P_1', P_2', P_3'$



Want:  $\varphi: \mathbb{P}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_1'$  s.t.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varphi_{\infty} \neq \infty' \\ \varphi\{P_1, P_2, P_3\} = \{P_1', P_2', P_3'\} \\ \varphi \circ \text{Frob} = \text{Frob} \circ \varphi \end{array} \right.$

Claim:  $\varphi$  exists (unless we are in the 3 exceptional cases).

Choose an isom of the set  $\{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$ , viewed as a set w/ Galois action, onto  $\{P_1', P_2', P_3'\}$ .

- 1) If order of Frob = 1, trivial action, 6 possible  $\varphi$  (up to an elem. of  $S_3$ )
- 2) If order of Frob = 2  $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \times \times \\ \circ \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \times \times \\ \circ \end{array} \right\}$   
two possible  $\varphi$  ( $\varphi_1$  and  $\pi \circ \varphi_1$ )
- 3) If order of Frob = 3, have cyclic order on pts  
three possible  $\varphi$  ( $\varphi, \pi \varphi, \pi^2 \varphi$ )

Solving this finds a  $\Psi$  satisfying 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> cond.; remain  
to check if ' $\Psi_\infty \neq \infty$ '.

In case 1), we lose (no  $\Psi$  works) only if the  
six perm. of  $P_1, P_2, P_3$  fix  $\infty$ , and this  $\Rightarrow$  same  
 $j$  and  $\rightarrow j=0$ , char = 2 (because a large  $\Psi$  of  
action!)  $\square$

In case 2), we lose only if  $\infty$  is fixed by  $(P_1 P_2 P_3) \rightarrow (P_1 P_3 P_2)$   
that lifts to an action of  $\bar{G}$  of order 4, so  $\bar{G} = 1.2.2$ .

Similarly in case 3).  $\square$

10/29  $\boxed{g=2}$ , cont.

We are trying to compute  $N_g(2)$ .

We stated:

$$N_g(2) = \begin{cases} q+1+2u & \text{non-special} \\ q+2u & \\ q+2u-1 & \end{cases} \text{special}$$

$u = [2q^{1/2}]$

in one case ( $g=4$ ), 3 less:  ~~$q+2u-2$~~   $q+2u-2$

$q$  square: special  $\iff q=4$  or  $9$

$q$  nonsquare: special  $\iff p|u$  or  $q = x^2+1, x^2+x+1, x^2+x+2$

### Elementary gluing

$E, E'$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$

"can glue them"  $\iff$  there is a curve  $C$  of genus 2 over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $\text{Jac}(C) \sim E \times E'$

$\xleftrightarrow{\text{Tate-Honda}}$  eigens. of Frob. for  $C =$   
 $= (\text{eigen. for } E) \cup (\text{eigen. for } E')$

We gave a construction which will give a gluing in many cases.

Let  $q$  be a square :  $q = p^{2e}$

(a) Suffice, first,  $p \neq 2, 3$ .

Choose a supersingular curve  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  with  $\text{Frob} = p$ . (Known: Such exist).

To be proved: one can glue  $E$  to  $E$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$ , hence over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

Assume that; then we get  $C$  of genus 2, w/ eigenv. of  $\text{Frob}$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  all equal to  $p^e$ .

$$\text{So } N = 1 + q - 4p^e.$$

Making a quad. twist changes it to a curve with maximum no. of points,  $N = 1 + q + 4p^e$ .

(alternatively start w/ s.s.  $E/\mathbb{F}_q$  with  $\text{Frob} = -q^{1/2}$ ).

To prove gluing: look at the 2-division pts and action of  $\text{Frob}$  on these pts.



Here  $\text{Frob} = 1$  (identity) on 2-division pts, since  $\text{Frob}(x) = \pm q^{1/2}x = x$  iff  $2x = 0$ . <sup>( $q$  odd)</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  no trouble (except if  $p=3, j=0$ , which is not the case).

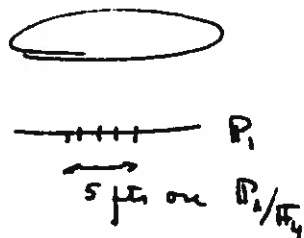
(b)  $q=4$  or  $9$

$$q=4, \text{ Weil} = 1 + q + 2u = 1 + 4 + 24 = 13$$

and covering argument  $\rightarrow N \leq 2(q+1) = 10$

10 is the exact bound: eqn is  $y^2 + y = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + x + 1}$  over  $\mathbb{F}_4$ .

This gives covering



3 simple poles  $\Rightarrow$   
 $\Rightarrow g = 2$ .

So to prove: every pt splits completely

So:  $x = 0, 1, \infty$  ( $\in \mathbb{F}_2$ )

$x = \rho, \rho^2$  ( $\rho^3 = 1, \rho \neq 1$ )

}	$x = 0$	$\rightarrow$	RHS = 0
	$x = 1$	$\rightarrow$	RHS = 1
	$x = \infty$	$\rightarrow$	= 0
	$x = \rho$	$\rightarrow$	= 1
	$x = \rho^2$	$\rightarrow$	= 1

LHS is a trace so  
 splits completely  $\Leftrightarrow$   
 RHS is 0 or 1.

Over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ ,  $N_1 = 4, N_2 = 10$

write  $a_1 = \pi_1 + \bar{\pi}_1$   
 $a_2 = \pi_2 + \bar{\pi}_2$

then

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 + 2 \bar{a}_1 - a_2 = 4 \\ 1 + 4 - (a_1^2 - 4) - (a_2^2 - 4) = 10 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\pi \rightarrow \pi^2 \quad a_1 \rightarrow a_1^2 - 2\pi_1\bar{\pi}_1 = a_1^2 - 4$$

So  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_1 + a_2 = -1 \\ a_1^2 + a_2^2 = 3 \end{array} \right.$

$$\text{So } a_1 = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{-1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

alt var. of disc 2, ined.  
(comes from  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})$ ).

For  $\mathbb{F}_9$ :  $N \leq 20$

$$\text{eqn: } y^2 = (x^3 - x)^2 - 1 = (x^3 - x + 1)(x^3 - x - 1)$$

Clearly  $q=2$ , to show: can be solved in  $\mathbb{F}_9$  for every value of  $x$ .

$x = \infty$  — OK (look at coeff.)

$$x \in \mathbb{F}_3, \quad x^3 - x = 0 \rightarrow y^2 = -1 \quad (\text{but } -1 \text{ is a square in } \mathbb{F}_9)$$

$x \in \mathbb{F}_9 - \mathbb{F}_3$ ,  $x^3 - x$  is antisymm. under  $x \mapsto x^3$   
so  $(x^3 - x)^2$  is symm, hence  $\in \mathbb{F}_3^*$ ,  
in fact = -1, so works.

$$y^2 = (x^3 - x)^2 - 1 \\ = x^6 + x^4 + x^2 - 1$$

$$\text{and map to } y^2 = x^3 + x^2 + x - 1$$

sol<sup>3ac</sup> is iseg to product  $E_1 \times E_2$ .





Middle field is  $\mathbb{F}_q(x, z)$ ,  $z = y + y'$  (Artin-Schreier  
extn).

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 + z &= x^3 + x^3 + cx^2 + c^2x + c^3 \\ &= \underbrace{(c^{1/2}x)^2}_{\text{}} + c^{1/2}x + (c^2 + c^{1/2})x + c^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$t = z + c^{1/2}x$$

$$t^2 + t = (c^2 + c^{1/2})x + c^3$$

Artin-Schreier,  
pole of order 1 (odd)  
at  $\infty$

$$c^2 + c^{1/2} \neq 0, \text{ because } c^4 \neq c \text{ (since } c \notin \mathbb{F}_4).$$

This is a conic, hence genus zero.

So composite has genus 2, and  $\text{Jac} \sim \text{product } E \times E$

This gives the ~~desired~~ desired construction.  $\square$

① For  $q = 3^{2e}$ ,  $e \geq 2$

We use a different method.

Infermezzo: On polarizations

A abelian variety.

(Mumford): a polarization is a homomorphism  $\psi: A \rightarrow A^*$   
( $A^* = \text{dual of } A$ ) such that:

If  $D$  is a divisor of  $A$  and if  $a \in A$ , let  $D_a = \text{translate of } D \text{ by } a$ , i.e., let  $\tau_a: x \mapsto x + a$ ,  $D_a = \tau_a(D)$ .

Then  $D_a - D$  represents a point in  $A^* = \text{Pic}^0(A)$ .

This map  $a \mapsto D_a - D \in A^*$  is a homomorphism  $\varphi_D: A \rightarrow A^*$ .

Then a polarization is  $\varphi: A \rightarrow A^*$  s.t. there exists (over some extn of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ) an ample divisor  $D$  s.t.  $\varphi_D = \varphi$ . This defines  $\text{Class}(D) \in \text{NS}(A)$  uniquely. ( $\varphi$  is an isogeny, hence has a degree/deg  $\varphi$ .)

$$\deg_{\text{poi}}(\varphi) = \sqrt{\deg \varphi} = \frac{D^g}{g!} = \chi(A, \mathcal{L}(D)) = \dim H^0(A, \mathcal{L}(D))$$

(cf. Mumford, Ab. Varieties)

$$D^g = \underbrace{D \cdot D \cdot \dots \cdot D}_{\text{intersection multiplicity}}$$

Criterion:  $\varphi: A \rightarrow A^*$  comes from an element (ample or not) of  $\text{NS}(A) \iff \varphi^* = \varphi$

[  $\varphi^*: A^{**} = A \rightarrow A^*$ , so this makes sense ] ← cf. Mumford.

Example: Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve,  $\text{End}(E) = \mathbb{Z}$ .

Consider  $A = E \times \dots \times E$   $n$  times.

$$A^* = E^* \times \dots \times E^* = E \times \dots \times E$$

$$\varphi: E \times \dots \times E \longrightarrow E \times \dots \times E \quad \text{End}(E) = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{So } \varphi = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \quad a_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\varphi = \varphi_0, D \in \text{NS}(A) \iff \varphi = \varphi^*$$

So comes from  $\text{NS}(A) \iff \varphi = {}^t\varphi$

$\varphi$  polarization  $\iff \varphi = {}^t\varphi$  ( $\varphi$  symmetric) and  $\varphi$  is the matrix of a pos. definite quad. form.

E.g., use the  $E_8$  quad form, to put an interesting polarization of deg 1 on  $E^{\times} \times E$ .

Loojenga, Inventiones  $\sim 1974_{n75}$  (careful: don't believe the statements).

polarization of degree 1 = principal polarization.

If  $C$  is a curve of genus  $g$ , its jacobian  $J$  has a natural polarization of degree 1 whose  $D$  is " $\Theta$ ".

Have a map  $C \rightarrow J$ , then define

$$\Theta = \underbrace{C + \dots + C}_{g-1 \text{ times}} \simeq_{\text{birat'l}} C^{(g-1)}$$

So this gives  $\varphi: J \xrightarrow{\cong} J^*$ .

principal  $\Rightarrow \deg_{\text{pol}} \varphi = 1 \Rightarrow \dim H^0(A, \underline{L}(D)) = 1 \Rightarrow$  the divisor class (for lin. equiv.) contains a unique positive divisor

So up to translation, can speak of the divisor of  $\varphi$ .

Theorem: Let  $A$  be an ab. variety of dim 2 with principal polarization and let  $C$  be its theta divisor. Then either  $C$  is nonsingular irred of genus 2 and  $A = \text{Jac}(C)$

or  $C$  is  $E_1 \cup E_2$  intersecting at 1 pt and  $A = E_1 \times E_2$  (as polarized variety).

If everything is over  $k$  and  $k$  perfect, then, in the indecomposable case everything is over  $k$ ; in the decomposable case the ell. curves might be descended by  $\text{Gal}(k'/k)$  for some quad. extn.  $k'/k$ , and then  $A$  will be indec. over  $k$  and dec. over  $k'$ .

[A similar theorem is true in dim 3, but that is harder]

Proof: principal polarization  $\implies C \cdot C = C^2 = 2$   
 $(\deg \varphi = \frac{C^3}{3!} \text{ and } g = 2)$

Write  $C = \sum m_i C_i$ ,  $C_i$  irreducible.

$$\text{So } \sum m_i m_j C_i \cdot C_j = 2$$

(on ab. variety,  $C_i \cdot C_j \geq 0$  and even  $> 0$  except when  $C_i = C_j =$  ell. curve  $\rightarrow$  use translation on  $A \rightarrow$  find argument).

So either we have  $2 = 2$

$\vee$

$$2 = 1 + 1$$

so either  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C \text{ is irred} \\ \text{or} \\ C = E_1 + E_2 \end{array} \right.$  2 ell. curves w/  $E_1 \cdot E_2 = 1$

$$\hookrightarrow C^2 = \underbrace{E_1^2 + E_2^2}_{=0} + 2E_1E_2$$

If  $C$  irred, need still prove nonsing of genus 2.  
 Cannot be genus 0 or 1. Let  $g_a$  = arith. genus of  $C = \dim H^1(C, \mathcal{O}_C)$ .

Then  $g_a = g + \sum$  local contrib. at sing. pts.

Adjunction formula :  $\boxed{2g_a - 2 = C \cdot C + C \cdot K}$   
 $K = \text{can. divisor}$

Here ab. variety so  $K=0$ , and  $C \cdot C = 2$ ,  
 hence  $2g_a = 4$  so  $\boxed{g_a = 2}$ .

Since  $g=0$  is impossible (can't embed in ab. var.)

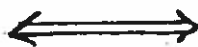
If  $g=1$ , map is homom., so can't be.

So  $g=2$  and nonsingular.

(Proof of exercise : adj. formula  $\Rightarrow C \cdot C \geq 0$  and  $C \cdot C = 0$  only if  $g_a = 1$ .)

Dictionary for  $g=2$  Over a perfect field  $k$

Abelian varieties/ $k$   
w/ principal polariz.  
which are indecomposable  
over any quad. extn of  $k$



curves of genus 2 /  $k$   
(up to isom.)

Statement of Torelli's theorem in general (over a perfect field  $k$ )

Assume  $g \geq 2$ .

Let  $C$  and  $C'$  be curves of genus  $g$  over  $k$ ,  $J, J'$  their jacobians as polarized abelian varieties.

(\*) If  $J$  and  $J'$  are isomorphic/ $k$  then  $C$  and  $C'$  are isom./ $k$ .

More precisely:

i) if  $C$  is hyperelliptic and  $F: J \rightarrow J'$  is an isom. of polarized ab. varieties, then  $\exists ! f: C \xrightarrow{\cong} C'$  giving  $F$  by functoriality.  
In particular,  $\text{Aut}(C) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Aut}(J, \text{pol.})$

ii) if  $C$  is not hyperelliptic, for every  $F: J \xrightarrow{\cong} J'$ , there exists a unique isom.  $f: C \xrightarrow{\cong} C'$  and a unique  $\epsilon \in \{\pm 1\}$  s.t.  $f$  gives  $\epsilon F$  by functoriality.

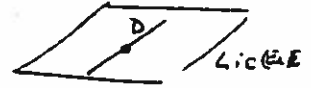
In particular,  $\text{Aut}(C) \times \{\pm 1\} = \text{Aut}(J, \text{pol.})$

Fine de l'Intermezzo

Back to  $F_{ge}$ ,  $e \geq 2$

Take  $E$  w/  $F_{rcb} = -g^{1/2}$

Will consider  $E \times E \xrightarrow{\text{indep. isogeny}} J \longrightarrow$  classified by



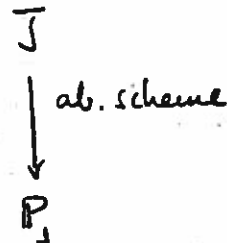
$J$  = same pts, but only pts whose deriv. along the given line = 0

will choose  $D$  not lat'l over  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$

Put a polarization on  $\mathcal{O}_{E \times E}$  by  $\begin{pmatrix} p & \alpha \\ \bar{\alpha} & p \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\alpha \bar{\alpha} = p(p-1)$ ,

Proof: this descends to  $J$  & becomes principal there, and  $J$  is indec., which gives a curve.

Moret-Bailly  $\rightarrow$  this kind of construction w/ varying  $D$ . Find



corresponds to a surface



s.t. generic fiber is curve of genus 2

$S_p - 5$  exceptional fibers  $\rightarrow$  all curves

For  $\begin{cases} p=2, \\ p=3 \\ p \geq 5 \end{cases}$

$S_p - 5 = 5 \rightarrow$  nat'l pts /  $\mathbb{F}_4$   
 $S_p - 5 = 10 \rightarrow$  ——— /  $\mathbb{F}_5$   
 pts left over!

} So this picks out the exceptional pts.

11/5 (q=2 kont.)

q square  $\implies$  Weil bound is attained except for  $q=4, 9$

We have proved this except:

Missing case:  $q = q^e$ ,  $e \geq 2$ .

Start with  $E$  ell. curve, supersingular, over  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$ , s.t.  
Frob on  $E = p$ .

For such  $E$ : Well-known:  $\text{End}(E)$  is a max'l order in the quaternion algebra  $H_{p,\infty}$   
(and this max'l order can be imposed on  $E$ ).

Choose  $E$  such that  $\text{End} E \ni \alpha$  with  $\alpha \bar{\alpha} = p(p-1)$

This is possible: Consider  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-p(p-1)})$ ; this is imag. quad., ramif. at  $p$ , so splits  $H_{p,\infty}$ .

So  $\alpha = \sqrt{-p(p-1)}$  is an integer of this field, and can be included in  $H_{p,\infty}$ .

So choose a max'l order containing the image of  $\alpha$ .

Now let  $A = E \times E$

polarization:  $\Psi: A \longrightarrow A^* = E \times E$

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad a, b, c, d \in \text{End}(E)$$



$\varphi$  is a polarization  $\iff \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  hermitian  $\gg 0$

("between the lines" in Mumford,  
Ab. Vars., toward the end.)

Mumford starts w/  $E \times E$ , say, w/ a given polarization, say the obvious one.  
Identify  $\varphi: A \rightarrow A^*$  as  $\text{End}$ , and asks which  $\varphi$  are polarizations.  
So says, take  $\text{End} \otimes \mathbb{R}$ , and then  $\varphi$  polar. corresponds to positive definite symmetric matrices.

$\varphi$  is of degree 1  $\iff$  "det"  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = 1$

(Note: hermitian  $\implies a, d \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $b = \bar{c}$  so we have only  
 $ad - b\bar{b} = 1$ ).

Choose  $\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} p & \alpha \\ \bar{\alpha} & p \end{pmatrix}$


$$\det \varphi = p^2 - \alpha \bar{\alpha} = p^2 - p(p-1) = p.$$

We find:  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  has order  $p^2$  (say, look at  $\ell$ -adic representations.)

tyt space at  $E$  is 1-dim'l, so  $\text{End } E \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p$  (action on  
residue field tyt space)  
at  $p$ .  
 $\alpha \rightarrow 0$  ( $\alpha \bar{\alpha} = p(p-1) \rightarrow 0!$ )  
 $p \rightarrow 0$

So  $\Psi$  is 0 on the tgt space of  $A$ .

A ab variety in char  $p$ , dim.  $g$ , there is a subgroup of  $A$   $t_A$  "kernel of  $Fr$ "; this is one point with nilpotents. If  $x_1, \dots, x_g$  are local coords around 0 and  $k$  is the ground field, the group



$t_A$  is def. by  $x_i^p = 0$   
 the order of  $t_A$  (as sp scheme) is  $p^g$ ,  $g = \dim A$ .  
 (the algebra is  $k[x_1, \dots, x_g] / (x_i^p)$ ).

So counting orders gives  $\text{Ker } \Psi = t_A$  in our case.

Take  $\mathbb{F}_q \supseteq \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ , so  $q = p^{2e}$ ,  $e \geq 2$ , and now view  $E$  and  $A$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

Choose a line  $D \subset$  tgt space of  $A$  whose slope is not in  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . [This means something since  $A = E \times E$ .]

It makes sense to "divide"  $A$  by  $D$ ; this means

$$\text{"tangent space"} \longleftrightarrow t_A$$

$$D \longleftrightarrow [D] \subset t_A \quad (\text{subgroup scheme})$$

(stable under  $p$ -th power map)

(which is zero here)  $\rightarrow$  curve is s.s.!

So "dividing"  $A$  by  $D$  is just taking  $A/[D]$ .

Direct def'n of  $A/[D]$  :

- same pts as  $A$
- less rat'l functions : those having derivative by  $D$  equal to 0.

(So, e.g.,  $A/t_A = A^{(p)}$ ).

E.g.  $A: y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$

$\text{Fr} \downarrow$

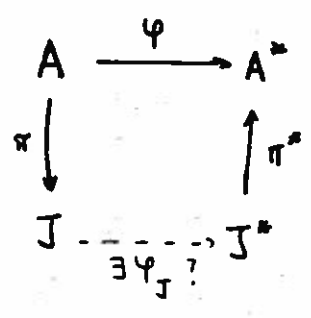
$A^{(p)}: Y^2 = X^3 + aPX + b^p$

$\text{Fr}$  is  $Y = y^p, X = x^p$

take  $t = \frac{x}{y}$  param. near zero; so kernel is given by  $t^p = 0$ .

So set  $J = A/[D]$ .

So ask whether the polarisation descends to  $J$  :



For this, a  nec.  condn is  $\varphi([D]) = 0$  ; in our case, this holds, since  $\ker \varphi = t_A$ .

(de Murfod) : df  $D$  has dim. 1, this nec. condn. is also sufficient.

[ General fact is  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varphi: A \rightarrow A^* \text{ polariz.} \\ \text{if } N \text{ finite subgp of } A \\ \text{Assume } N \subset \ker \varphi, |N| \text{ is prime.} \end{array} \right.$   
 Then  $\varphi$  descends to a polarization of  $A/N$ . ]

Deg  $\varphi_J = ?$  Count degrees of various kernels  $\Rightarrow \text{deg } \varphi_J = 1$ .

$J$  has a polarization of deg. 1 (def. over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ).

[  $D$  as an alg. group /  $k$   
 Affine algebra is  $\Lambda: k \oplus kx \oplus \dots \oplus kx^{p-1}; x^p = 0$   
 $k[x]/(x^p)$   
 Comultiplication is  $x \mapsto x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x$   
 $\text{order}(D) = \dim_k \Lambda = p$   
 $t_A$  is a group of order  $p^2$  which, over  $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ , has infinitely many subgroups of order  $p$ . ]

Claim:  $J$  is not isomorphic (as abelian variety) <sup>over  $k$</sup>  to a product of two elliptic curve. ( $k$  any extn. of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ).

If  $E$  is any ss elliptic curve /  $k > \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ , look at  $\text{tgt}(E)$ .

Claim:  $\text{tgt}(E)$  has a natural " $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ -structure" which is functorial.

This is so because  $E$  comes by scalar extn from a curve over  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$  with  $\text{Frob} = p$  (for any such  $E$ ). Then  $\text{tgt}(E)$  comes from the  $\text{tgt}$  space over  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$ .

Suppose now  $J = E_1 \times E_2$ ,  $E_i$  s.s.

Then  $A = E \times E \rightarrow J \xrightarrow{\sim} E_1 \times E_2$ .

Look at  $\text{tgt}$  map to  $E \times E \rightarrow E_1 \times E_2$ , which is  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$ -rational.

But  $\ker = D$  has irrational slope, so contrad.  $\square$

So  $J$  is not  $E_1 \times E_2$ .

$\therefore$  This  $J$  is the jacobian of a  $C/\mathbb{F}_q$  of genus 2, and  $\text{Frob}$  will be  $p^2$  (since that is invariant under isogeny), so this realizes the Weil minimum.

So  $q = \text{square}$  is done.  $\square$

$q$  non-square

$q$  special  $\iff$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} p \mid m \quad m = [2q^{1/2}] \\ q = x^2 + 1 \\ \quad x^2 + x + 1 \\ \quad x^2 + x + 2 \end{array} \right.$$

Thm: If  $q$  is not special, then  $N_q(2) = 1 + q + 2m$ .

We will choose an ell. curve  $E$  with  $\text{Trace}(\text{Frob}) = -m$ .  
This exists because  $q$  is not special (seen before!)

To be proved:  $E$  can be glued to itself, i.e.,  $\exists C$   
s.t.  $\text{Jac}(C) \sim E \times E$ .  
"isogenous."

We use the "elementary gluing":

(a)  $p \neq 2$

Lemma: Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \nmid a$  and  $|a| \leq 2\sqrt{q}$ ,  $a^2 - 4q \neq -3, -4$ ,  
 $q$  not a square.  
Then there exists an elliptic curve  $E/\mathbb{F}_q$  with  $\text{Tr}(\text{Frob}) = a$   
and  $j(E) \neq 0, 1728$ .

Proof: An  $E$  exists with  $\text{Tr}(\text{Frob}) = a$ , and this is  
an ordinary curve since  $p \nmid a$ .

If  $\text{End}(E) \neq \mathbb{Z}[i]$  or  $\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1+\sqrt{-3}}{2}]$ , then  $j(E) \neq 0, 1728$ ,  
so OK.

Assume for instance that  $\text{End } E = \mathbb{Z}[i]$ , and let  
 $\pi = \text{Frob}$ ,   $\pi = x + yi$ ,

$$\text{and } \begin{cases} \text{Tr } \pi = a = 2x \\ x^2 + y^2 = \pi \bar{\pi} = q \end{cases}$$

Claim:  $y \neq \pm 1$

(if  $y^2 = 1$ ,  $q = x^2 + 1$  so  $4q = 4x^2 + 4 = a^2 + 4$   
and  $a^2 - 4q = -4$  against hypothesis).

So  $\mathbb{Z}[\pi] \subsetneq \mathbb{Z}[i]$

[Can use:  $\exists$  another curve isog to  $E$  w/  $\text{End} = \mathbb{Z}[\pi]$ .]

[Instead: ]

Choose  $l$  prime,  $l|y$ ; look at the action of  $\pi$  on  $l$ -division points ( $l \neq p$ ; otherwise  $f(x)$  so  $f(a)$ )

So  $\pi \equiv x \pmod{l\text{End}E}$ ,

so  $\pi$  acts by homothety on  $l$ -div. pts

have  $l+1$  subgps of order  $l$ , all stable by  $\pi$ , of these, at most 2 are stable by  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ .

So choose a subgp<sup>D</sup> which is not stable by  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ , and replace  $E$  by  $E/D$ .

Then  $\text{End}(E/D) = \{x+iy \mid l|y\} + \mathbb{Z}[i]$ ,  
so choose  $E/D$  now.

In the other case, proceed similarly.  $\square$

Now choose  $E$  acc. to lemma for  $a = u$ , since  $u^2 - 4q \neq -3, -4$

(if  $u^2 - 4q = -4 \Rightarrow 4q = 4 + u^2 \Rightarrow 2|u \Rightarrow q = 1 + (\frac{u}{2})^2$ ,  
= -3 similar

Now  $E$  can be glued to itself (because exceptions had  $j=0$  or  $1728$ ), and we are done.  $\square$

①  $p=2$   $2^e$  ( $e$  odd) is nonspecial iff  $\begin{cases} 2 \nmid e \\ 2^e \text{ is not } x^2+x+2 \end{cases}$



Choose  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  with  $T_2(F_{2^e}) = -u$  and which are not isom., even after quadratic field extension.

(1) Lemma: This is possible — later.

(2) Then one can glue  $E_1$  to  $E_2$ .

Proof of (2)

Write  $E$  as quad covering of  $\mathbb{P}^1$  ram at  $\infty$ .

Covering is  $E/\sim$  where  $x \sim -x$ .

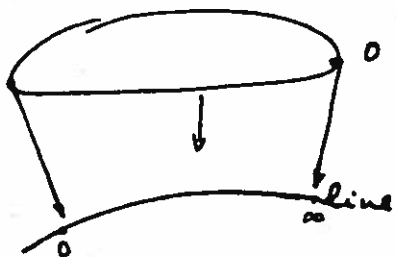
Other ramif pt is the pt of order 2, rat'l, so can map to zero.

So Artin-Schreier eqn is

$$\boxed{y^2 + y = \lambda x + \frac{\mu}{x} + \nu} \quad \lambda, \mu \neq 0$$

replace  $x$  by  $\lambda x$ , so can write  $y^2 + y = x + \frac{\mu}{x} + \nu$

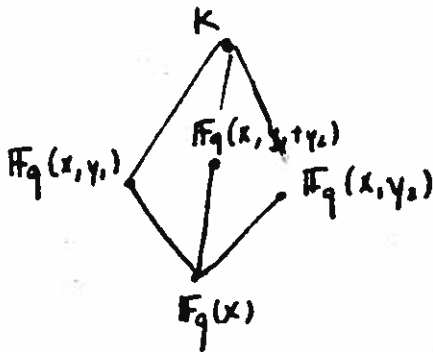
(over  $\overline{\mathbb{F}_2}$ , write  $\mu$  as  $x^2+x$ , and then  $\nu$  can be taken = 0)





$$\text{So have } E_1 : \begin{cases} y_1^2 + y_1 = x + \frac{\mu_1}{x} + v_1 \\ y_2^2 + y_2 = x + \frac{\mu_2}{x} + v_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\mu_1 + \mu_2$$



$$(y_1 + y_2)^2 - (y_1 + y_2) = \frac{\mu_1 + \mu_2}{x} + v_1 + v_2$$

genus zero

[if  $\mu_1 = \mu_2$  extd. ]  $\mu_1 + \mu_2 = 0$  so get const field

So  $K$  is the field of a curve of genus 2. This proves gluing  $\square$

To prove the Lemma (1):

Choose  $E_1$ ;  $E_1$  ordinary  $\Rightarrow E_1$  has a unique subgroup of order 2, say  $N$ .

Put  $E_2 = E_1/N$ . Is  $E_2 \cong E_1$ ?

If not, we are done.

If  $E_1 \cong E_2$ , then  $\exists \varphi: E_1 \rightarrow E_1$  with kernel  $N$ , hence of degree 2.

Now  $E_1$  ordinary, so  $\text{End}(E_1)$  is an order in an imag. quad. field, and  $\varphi \in \text{End}(E_1)$ ,  $\varphi\bar{\varphi} = 2$ .

Then  $|\text{Tr } \varphi| \leq 2\sqrt{2}$  (since  $|\varphi| = \sqrt{2}$ )

So  $\text{Tr } \varphi = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2$

$\text{Tr } \varphi = -2$	$\implies$	$\varphi = -\frac{1 \pm i}{2}$	} impossible, since 2 splits in $\text{End } E$ by general facts.
$-1$	$\implies$	$\varphi = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{-7}}{2}$	
$0$	$\implies$	$\varphi = \pm \frac{\sqrt{-7}}{2}$	
$1$	$\implies$	$\frac{1 \pm i}{2}$	
$2$	$\implies$	$\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-7}}{2}$	

So  $\varphi = \pm \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-7}}{2}$ , and  $\text{End } E_1 = \mathbb{Z} \left[ \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-7}}{2} \right]$

So remains to show that I can choose  $E_1$  with  $\text{End}(E_1) \neq \mathbb{Z} \left[ \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-7}}{2} \right]$ .

Assume  $\text{End } E_1 = \mathbb{Z} \left[ \frac{1 + \sqrt{-7}}{2} \right]$

$\text{Frob} = \pi = x + \frac{1 + \sqrt{-7}}{2} y$       $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

Again: claim that  $y^2 \neq 1$

$\pi\bar{\pi} = q = (x + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 7 \frac{y^2}{4}$

if  $y^2 = 1$ , yet  $q = (x + \frac{1}{2})^2 + \frac{7}{4} = x^2 + x + 2$

Now  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{7}] \subsetneq \mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}\right]$ , and by the argument above I can change  $E_1$  s.t.  $\text{End}(E_1) = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{7}]$ , for instance (or choose  $\ell/y$  as before, etc.).  $\square$

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$$\boxed{q=2}$$

We were reduced to  $q$  not a square;  $q$  is non-special is done (we get  $q+1+2u$ ,  $u = \lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor$ .)

Need to show: if  $q$  is special:

- a)  $q+1+2u$  is impossible
- b)  $q+2u$  is possible iff  $\lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor > \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$
- c) if  $q$  special and  $\lfloor 2\sqrt{q} \rfloor < \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$ , then  $q+2u-1$  is possible.

a) Proof:  $q$  is special  $\iff$  a1)  $q$  is represented by the quad. polyn.  $x^2+1, x^2+x+1$  (special case of Beauville)

OR

a2)  $q$  is represented by  $x^2+x+2$  (so  $q=2^e$ ,  $e$  odd) One finds  $e=1, 3, 5, 13$ .  $\rightarrow$  see this later

OR

a3)  $p|m$

$$2^e = x^2 + x + 2$$

$$2^{e+2} = (2x+1)^2 + 7 = y^2 + 7$$

Ramanujan's equation

Case a2: We show that  $q+1+2u$  is impossible.

→ d.f.  $q=2$ ,  $[2\sqrt{2}] = 2$ , so this is special also because  $p|m$  (d3).

$1+q+2u = 1+2+4 = 7 > 2(q+1)$ , so of course we are done.

→ d.f.  $q=2^3$ ,  $[2\sqrt{8}] = [\sqrt{32}] = 5$ , so  $1+q+2u = 1+8+10 = 19 > 2(q+1)$ , again impossible.

→ Recall that  $1+q+2u$  is possible only if eigenvalues of Frob are  $\pi, \bar{\pi}, \pi, \bar{\pi}$ ,  $\pi + \bar{\pi} = -u$ ,  $\pi \bar{\pi} = q$ .

d.f.  $q=2^5$ ,  $u = [2\sqrt{32}] = [\sqrt{128}] = 11$ , so

$$u^2 - 4q = 121 - 128 = -7$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{\pi = \frac{-11 + \sqrt{-7}}{2}}$$

We must show this is impossible.

in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$ , 2 splits as  $(\alpha)(\bar{\alpha})$ ,  $\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}$ ,  $\alpha\bar{\alpha} = 2$ .

Since  $\pi\bar{\pi} = 2^5$ , so  $(\pi) = (\alpha)^i (\bar{\alpha})^j$  but  $2 \nmid \pi$ , so must have  $(\pi) = (\alpha)^5$  or  $(\bar{\alpha})^5$   $i+j=5$

So  $\pi = \pm \alpha^5$  or  $\pm \bar{\alpha}^5$ . In fact,  $\pi = -\alpha^5 = (-\alpha)^5$

So Frob. over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  is a fifth power.

Take  $\text{Jac}(C)/\mathbb{F}_2$ .

$$\text{End}(\text{Jac}(C)) \supset \mathbb{Z}[\pi] \quad (\text{in fact} = M_2(\mathbb{Z}[i]))$$

So  $\text{End}(\text{Jac}(C)) = \mathbb{Z}[\pi] = \mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}\right]$

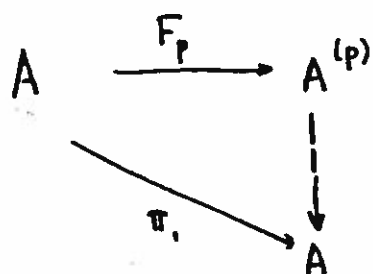
define  $\pi_1 = -\alpha \in \text{End}(\text{Jac}(C))$ , and then  $\pi_1^5 = \pi = \text{Frob}$  on  $\text{Jac}(C)$ .

• So have ab. var.  $A/\mathbb{F}_p$ ,  $\pi = \text{Frob}/\mathbb{F}_p$ , and  $\pi = \pi_1^e$  for some  $\pi_1 \in \text{End}(A)$ . Would like to conclude: exists a structure  $/\mathbb{F}_p$  for  $A$  with Frobenius  $\pi_1$ .

Need more:  $\pi_1$  acts by 0 on the tangent space of  $A$ .

(Above  $\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}$ ,  $\pi = \frac{-1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}$ , so  $\alpha = \pi + 6$ , and both  $\pi$  and 6 act by 0 on tangent space, hence so do  $\alpha$  and  $\pi_1 = -\alpha$ )

Now define  $A^{(p)}$  as usual. Then we have



(The map  $\downarrow$  exists if and only if  $\pi_1$  kills the tgt space, so OK.)

$A^{(p)} \xrightarrow{\cong} A$  is an isom. by degree computation!

So  $A \xrightarrow{\pi_1} A$  gives an isom. of  $A^{(p)}$  to  $A$ , so Galois descent is OK.

Hence we have an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -structure on  $\text{Jac}(C)$  with Frobenius  $-\alpha$  . . . /  $\pi$  restricts the

So we get (Torelli): there is an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -structure on  $\mathbb{C}$  with  $\text{Frob} = -\alpha$ .

Now go to  $\mathbb{F}_8 = \mathbb{F}_2^3$ , and get Frobenius  $= -\alpha^3 = \frac{5+\sqrt{-7}}{2}$

Now nber of pts/ $\mathbb{F}_8 = 1 + 8 - 2 \cdot 5 = -1 \quad \swarrow$ . (contrad.).

$\rightarrow$  If  $q = 2^{13}$ , we find  $m = 191$ , and use

$$\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}\right)^{13} = -\frac{181+\sqrt{-7}}{2}$$

$$\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}\right)^e = \frac{a_e + b_e \sqrt{-7}}{2}$$

When is  $b_e = \pm 1$ ?

$e$  odd;  $e = 3, 5, 13$

$\rightarrow$  analytic method!

we'll come back

to this.

Case a3:  $p \mid m$ ; I can assume  $q = p^e$ ,  $e$  odd  $\geq 3$

(when  $e=1$ ,  $p \mid m \Rightarrow p=2$  or  $3$  and these have been done already).

have  $1+q+2m$  iff  $\pi, \bar{\pi}, \theta, \bar{\theta}$ ,  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \pi + \bar{\pi} = -m \\ \pi \bar{\pi} = q \end{array} \right\}$

Now,  $p \mid m$ ,  $q = p^e$   $e$  odd  $\geq 3$ .

By Tate's theorem,  $\exists f_\pi$  (we saw  $f_\pi$  odd  $\geq 5$ ) s.t. the multiplicity of  $\pi$  as root of Frob. in any abelian variety is divisible by  $f_\pi$ .

So we cannot have  $f_\pi \mid 2$ ! So the jacobian cannot exist in this case, done.  $\square$

b) If  $\{2\sqrt{q}\} < \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$ , then  $g+2m$  is impossible

If  $\{2\sqrt{q}\} > \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$ , then  $g+2m$  is possible.

We've shown "down by one" (for a curve) is possible <sup>of genus 2</sup> only if

$$\text{Frob: } \pi_1, \bar{\pi}_1, \bar{\pi}_2, \pi_2$$

$$\text{where } \begin{cases} \pi_1 + \bar{\pi}_1 = -m + \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \\ \pi_2 + \bar{\pi}_2 = -m + \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{cases}$$

and this is possible only when  $m + \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \leq 2\sqrt{q}$ , i.e.,  
only when  $\{2\sqrt{q}\} = 2\sqrt{q} - m \geq \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$

So first statement is OK.



Now assume  $\{2\sqrt{q}\} \geq \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$

First, make an ab. variety of dim. 2 with  $\pi_1, \bar{\pi}_1, \pi_2, \bar{\pi}_2$  as required above, i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} \pi_1 + \bar{\pi}_1 = -u + \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \\ \pi_2 + \bar{\pi}_2 = -u + \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{cases}$$

We want this ab. variety to be ordinary:

•  $\pi_1 + \bar{\pi}_1$  and  $\pi_2 + \bar{\pi}_2$  are prime to  $p$

• if  $p|u$ , obvious, since  $\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$  is a unit

• if  $p \nmid u$ ,  $q$  is repres. by  $x^2+1, x^2+x+1, x^2+x+2$ ,  
so

$$4q = 4x^2 + 4 = (2x)^2 + 4 \quad \text{so } u = 2x$$

$$4q = 4x^2 + 4x + 4 = (2x+1)^2 + 3 \quad \text{so } u = 2x+1$$

$$4q = 4x^2 + 4x + 8 = (2x+1)^2 + 7, \quad \text{so } u = 2x+1.$$

so  $\{2\sqrt{q}\}$  is small, usually  $< \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$ . (at least for  $q > 8$ )

Only exceptions are  $q=2, 8$  (2 is covered:  $p|u$ )

[For  $q=2$ , want  $g=2$ ,  
6 pts. Take  $\int y^2 + y = \frac{x^2 + x}{x^3 + x + 1}$ ]

$$\{2\sqrt{8}\} = 0.656... > \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$$

Construction of a curve w/ 18 (= 2(1+g)) points over  $\mathbb{F}_8$ 

Choose an irreducible cubic poly  $f(x)$  on  $\mathbb{F}_8$ , e.g.  
 $x^3 + x + c$  for suitable  $c$ .

Write

$$y^2 + y = \frac{a + bx + cx^2}{x^3 + x + c} \quad a, b, c \in \mathbb{F}_8.$$

$$(i.e.,) \quad y^2 + y = \frac{a + bx + cx^2}{f(x)} \quad a, b, c \in \mathbb{F}_8.$$

We want to choose  $a, b, c$  s.t.

$$\text{Tr}_{\mathbb{F}_8/\mathbb{F}_2} \left( \frac{a + bx + cx^2}{f(x)} \right) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{F}_8.$$

$a, b, c \in \mathbb{F}_8 = \mathbb{F}_2^3$  (as  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -vector space)

So  $(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{F}_2^9$ , and get 8 homog. eqns in 9 unknowns, so choose a solution which is not trivial!

Now Tate-Honda says such an ab. variety exists.

Note  $\mathbb{Q}(\pi) > \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})$ ..

Have  $\mathbb{Q}(\pi) \longleftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{CM-field of deg. 4 w/ assoc.} \\ \text{real field } \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5}). \end{array}$   
 $\downarrow_2$  imag. quad. extn.  
 $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})$   
 $\downarrow_2$   
 $\mathbb{Q}$

So  $\text{End}_{\mathbb{Q}}(A) \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}(\pi)$  (Tate).

We have  $A$  up to isogeny.

Next step: existence of such an  $A$  having a polarization of degree 1.

(Shimura:  $A$  in char 0, CM by  $\begin{array}{c} K \\ 2 \\ K_0 \end{array} \rightarrow \text{OK}$ )

Shimura's Thm (char 0): If CM type is  $K/K_0$  with  $K$  ramified over  $K_0$ , then  $\exists A$  in the isogeny class having polariz. compatible w/ CM-type, of degree 1. [Proc. London Math. Soc., 34 (1977), p. 67, remark.]

Here OK, since  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})$  has class number 1.  $\rightarrow$  no quadratic unramified extn.

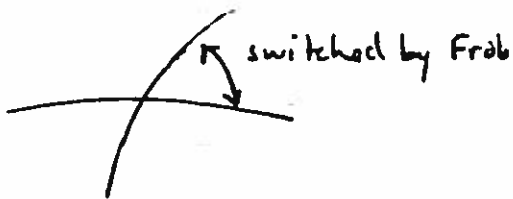
Claim: Sh's thm is OK in char  $p$  for ordinary abelian varieties

(proof later)

Then we get  $A$  w/ the right Frob + polarization of degree 1. It remains to check that this is indec. Over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , it is indec. because  $\text{End}_{\mathbb{F}_q}(A) = \mathbb{Q}(\pi)$  is a field.

It could decompose over  $\mathbb{F}_{q^2}$ . This doesn't happen:

if indec over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , dec over  $\mathbb{F}_{q^2}$ , it's



So on  $V_e$ , matrix of Frob is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & * \\ * & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

so trace = 0.

But our trace is  $-2m + 1 \neq 0$ .

This proves that our curve exists.  $\square$

Proof of Claim above

char 0 Shimura  $\implies$  char  $p$  Shimura for ord ab. vars.

Use "canonical lifting": lift  $A/\mathbb{F}_q$  into  $\mathcal{A}/W(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , and End does not change.

By Shimura,  $\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\text{inv}} \mathcal{A}'$ , on  $\mathcal{A}'$  have a polariz. of degree 1. ker of  $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}'$  is stable under max'l order.

So  $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}'$  exists over the field of fractions of  $W(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

Polarization is  $\mathcal{A}' \rightarrow (\mathcal{A}')^*$ .

So reduce everything mod  $p$ .

Another way: take Shimura's proof and show it works in char  $p$ .

Translation of  $K$  ramified over  $K_0$ :

$$K/K_0 \text{ ramified} \iff \text{Cl}(K) \xrightarrow{\text{norm}} \text{Cl}^{\text{strict}}(K_0) \text{ is onto}$$

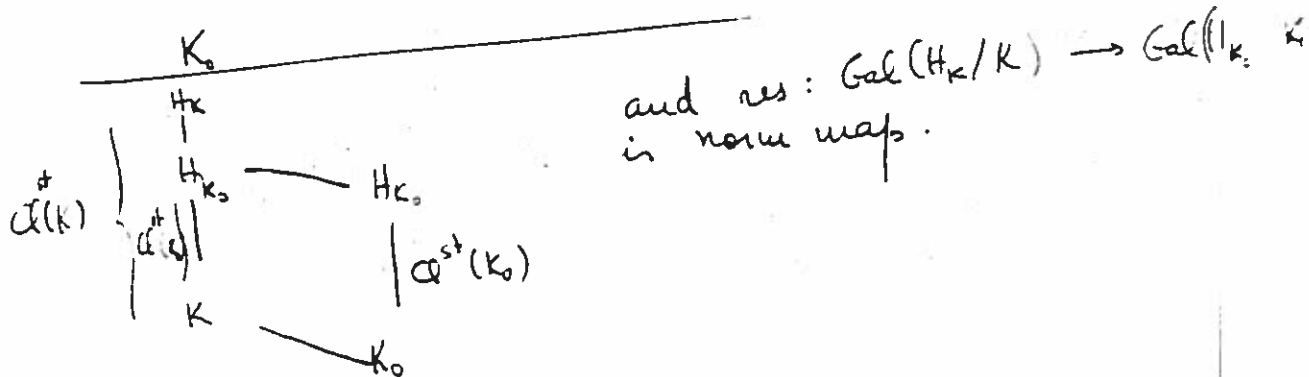
[  $\text{Cl}^{\text{strict}}$  :  $\alpha \sim 1$  if  $\alpha = (x)$ ,  $x \gg 0$ .

For tot. imag. field,  $\text{Cl}(K) = \text{Cl}^{\text{strict}}(K)$ , and map is just  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha \alpha \bar{\alpha}$ . ]

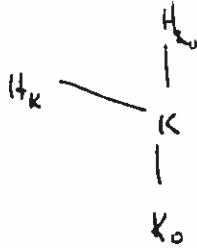
Pf of  $\Leftarrow$  CFT!

$H_K$  = Hilbert class field  
max. ab. unram. extn, except maybe at  $\infty$

$$\text{Then } \text{Gal}(H_K/K_0) \cong \text{Cl}^{\text{strict}}(K_0)$$



df  $K/K_0$  unram, we'd have,



and then  $\text{coker } \mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_K^{\text{st}}(K_0)$  has order 2.  $\square$

### Shimura's proof

Choose  $A$  s.t.  $\text{End}(A)$  is a max'l order in  $K$ , and choose some polarization  $\psi: A \rightarrow A^*$ .

look at  $\mathcal{O}$  ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  s.t.  $\ker \psi \cong \mathcal{O}_K/\mathcal{O}$

Shimura-Taniyama:  $\mathcal{O}$  "is" an ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_{K_0}$ .

Replacing  $\psi$  by  $\lambda\psi$  gives a polarization if  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}_{K_0}^*$ ,  $\lambda \gg 0$ .

May replace  $A$  by some  $A/(\text{finite subgroup stable by } \mathcal{O}_K)$   $\iff$  some ideal  $\mathfrak{v} \in \mathbb{C}_{K_0}^*$

Want  $\lambda\psi$  to descend to  $A/(\mathfrak{v})$  w/ degree 1

$$\psi \longmapsto \lambda\psi \quad \text{in} \quad \mathcal{O} \longrightarrow \lambda\mathcal{O}$$

Condition is: if  $\lambda\mathcal{O} = \mathfrak{v}\overline{\mathcal{O}}$ , then on  $A/(\mathfrak{v})$ ,  $\lambda\psi$  has degree 1.

$\implies$   $\dots$   $\mathcal{O}$  in  $\mathcal{O}_K^{\text{st}}(K_0)$  is an

This proves part (b).  $\square$

Remains to prove (c)

11/19: Remains: If  $q$  is <sup>not a square and</sup> "special", down by 2 is possible, i.e., there exists a curve with  $q + 2m - 1$  points.

In fact, one can find a curve ~~curve~~ of type  $(m-1, m-1)$  or  $(m, m-2)$ .

For  $q=2, 3$  just write the equation.

more precisely, for  $q=2$ ,  $(m, m-2)$  is possible  
 $(m-1, m-1)$  is not

for  $q=3$ , both are possible

Assume  $q \geq 5$ .

Cases: 1)  $p|m$  and  $p \neq 2 \Rightarrow (m-1, m-1)$  is possible

2)  $p|m$  and  $p=2 \Rightarrow$  " " "

3)  $p \nmid m$  and  $q$  special,  $p \neq 2 \Rightarrow$  " " "

4)  $p \nmid m$ ,  $q$  special,  $p=2 \Rightarrow (m, m-2)$  is possible

$\rightarrow$  only three cases:  $q=2^3, 2^5, 2^{13}$

This means

$(m-1, m-1)$  possible: Can glue  $E_1, E_2$  with  $\text{Trace}(\text{Frob}) = -(m-1)$

$(m, m-2)$  possible: Can glue  $E_1, E_2$  with  $\text{Trace}(\text{Frob}) = \begin{cases} -m \\ -(m-2) \end{cases}$

Case 1:  $p|m$ , hence  $p|(m-1)$ , so  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  exist (and are ordinary).

Also,  $\mathbb{Z}[\pi]$  is an order in an imag. quad. field w/ disc.  $-4q + \text{Tr}(\pi)^2 = -4q + (m-1)^2 = \sqrt{(4q - (m-1)^2)^2}$

$$4q = m^2 + k \quad 1 \leq k \leq 2m$$

$$4q - (m-1)^2 = m^2 + k - m^2 + 2m - 1 = k + 2m - 1 \geq 8$$

One can choose  $E_1, E_2$  such that  $\text{End}(E_i) = \mathbb{Z}[\pi]$ .

So  $\text{End} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  cube roots of 1

So  $j \neq 0, 1, 2, 3$

so elementary gluing is OK.

$$k \equiv -m^2 \equiv 0 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$\text{so } k \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$k = 3, 7, \dots$$

$$p|m, p \neq 2 \Rightarrow 2m-1 \geq 5$$

$$\text{so } \geq 8.$$



Case 2:  $\sqrt{p=2}$  Choose  $E$ ,  $E \text{ and } E' = \mathbb{Z}[\pi]$ , ord, ~~disc~~ disc  $< -8$ .

Now take  $E$ ,  $E' = E/E[2]$  (in char 2!)

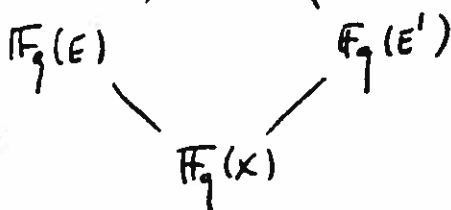
Not isomorphic (otherwise  $\exists$  isogeny  $E \rightarrow E$  deg 2  $\rightarrow \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7}) \not\subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ ).

Write them as  $y^2 + y = x + \frac{a}{x} + b$

$$y^2 + y = x + \frac{a'}{x} + b'$$

$a \neq a'$

And we get the usual diagram  
joining.



This does ②.

Case 3:  $p \nmid m$ ,  $q$  special,  $p \neq 2$ :

Same proof, but problem is whether  $p \mid m-1$ .

$$q \text{ special, } p=2 \implies 4q = m^2 + 3 \text{ or } 4q = m^2 + 4.$$

$$\text{So } 4q = m^2 + k, \quad k = 3 \text{ or } 4$$

$$p \mid m-1 \implies m \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \implies k \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\text{so } 4 \text{ or } 5 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$$

$$\implies p = 5, \quad k = 4, \quad m \text{ even}$$

• So if  $p \neq 5$ , same proof above works since  $p \nmid (m-1)$ .

$$\bullet \text{ If } \frac{p=5}{(k=4)} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{a) } q=5; \text{ then } m = [2\sqrt{5}] = 4, \quad m-1 = 3 \\ \text{and } 5 \nmid 3. \text{ So OK.} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{b) } q = 5^e, \quad e \text{ odd } \geq 3; \text{ would have } 5^e = \left(\frac{m}{2}\right)^2 + 1$$

But the eqn:  $y^e = x^2 + 1 \quad x \neq 0 \quad e \geq 2$  has  
no  $\mathbb{Z}$ -solutions.  
[proof later].

So ① is empty, and ③ is done.

Case 4:  $q = 2^3, 2^5, 2^{13}$

Claim is:  $(m, m-2)$  is possible.

$$p=2, 2|m \Rightarrow 2|m-2$$

So we find  $E_1, E_2$  ord. elliptic curves with  $\text{Tr}(\text{Frob}) = \begin{matrix} -m \\ -(m-2) \end{matrix}$

and we glue them as in (2) (and we know they are not geometrically isomorphic because  $m \neq \pm(m-2)$ ).

If  $m = -m+2$ ,  $m=1$ ; bad case is  $k=7$ , so

$$4q = m+7 \text{ so } m=1 \Rightarrow q=2. \quad \square$$

## Gluing and Hermitian Forms

Idea:  $E, R = \text{End}_{\mathbb{F}_q}(E)$

We want to construct the jacobian of a curve

$$J = E \times E \text{ w/ a map } E \times E \xrightarrow{\varphi} E \times E$$

$$\text{given by } \Phi: \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(R)$$

$$\varphi \text{ polarization} \iff \Phi \text{ hermitian} \gg 0$$

$$\deg 1 \iff ad - bc = 1$$

If not decomposable, then  $\exists! C$  of genus 2

$$\text{with } \text{Jac}(C) = (E \times E, \varphi).$$

So  $E$  has been glued to  $E$ .

$$\underbrace{E \times \dots \times E}_{n \text{ times}} = "E \otimes_R L" \quad L \text{ free of rk } n \text{ over } R$$

So try for projective.

We want to develop this first, then.

Tensor Product (and Hom) in abelian categories

- [  $\mathcal{C}$  an abelian category
- [  $R$  a ring w/ 1.
- [ let  $E \in \mathcal{C}$  with a morphism  $R \rightarrow \text{End}(E)$  give

To the pair ( $M$  a right  $R$ -module,  $E$  w/  $R$ -action)  
 finitely presented

I want to attach an object of  $\mathcal{C}$  called " $M \otimes_R E$ "

- Properties shd be :
- \*  $R \otimes_R E = E$
  - \* compatible w/ direct sum
  - \* right exact.

Write  $R^m \rightarrow R^n \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$

$$\text{Set } \begin{cases} R^m \otimes_R E = E^m \\ R^n \otimes_R E = E^n \end{cases}$$

And define  $M \otimes_R E = \text{Coker}(E^m \rightarrow E^n)$ .

Indep. of resolution is easy, and also follows from alternate definition:

$$\text{Want } \text{Hom}(M \otimes_R E, F) = \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}(E, F))$$

(for  $F \in \mathcal{C}$ )

where  $\text{Hom}(E, F)$  is a right  $R$ -module via the action on  $E$ .

So  $M \otimes_R E$  represents the functor on the right.

Another construction is " $\text{Hom}(M, E)$ " where  $M$  is a finitely presented left  $R$ -module.

Do the same: choose a resolution

$$R^m \rightarrow R^n \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

$$E^m \leftarrow E^n \leftarrow \text{Hom}_R(M, E) \leftarrow 0$$

transpose of  
the matrix

define this as the kernel.

This represents a functor too:

$$\text{Hom}(F, \text{Hom}_R(M, E)) = \text{Hom}_R(M, \text{Hom}(F, E))$$

viewed as a  
left  $R$ -module

I'll apply this to:  $\mathcal{C}$  category of <sup>comm.</sup> alg. groups /  $k$   
(or the subcat. of proper such).

And  $R$  will be Noeth.,  $M$  finitely generated.

In this case,  $\text{Hom}_R(M, E)$  can also be described by:

$$\begin{array}{l} s' \\ / \\ k = s \end{array} \quad (\text{Hom}_R(M, E))(s') = \text{Hom}_R(M, E(s'))$$

(This defines it as a functor on  $k$ -schemes, so determines it.)

Example:  $E$  ell. curve,  $R = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $M = \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$

Then  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(M, E) = E[n]$

and the fla above says  $E[n](s') = E(s')[n]$ .

But  $\otimes$  is zero!

Now apply this to  $E$  an elliptic curve  
 $R = \text{End}(E)$ ,  $M$  fin. generated.

Then  $M \otimes_R E$  is an ab. variety of dimension  $\text{rk}_R M$  (\*)  
 and  $\text{Hom}_R(M, E)$  comm. group of  $\dim = \text{rk}_R M$ .

(\*) since it is  $\text{Coker}(E^m \rightarrow E^n)$  !  
 Note: can also define  $\text{Tor}_n, \text{Ext}^n$  as before...

$M$  projective :

Dual of  $M \otimes_R E$  is  $M^* \otimes_R E$ , where  $M^*$  is the dual of  $M$ ,  $M^* = \text{Hom}(M, R)$  a left  $R$ -module in a natural way, but use the involution  $r \mapsto \bar{r}$  of  $R$  corresp. to the polarization (= cx conj. or quat. conj.) and use this to make  $M^*$  a right  $R$ -module.

i.e.,  $\lambda \in M^*, r \in R$ , define  $(\lambda r)(m) = \lambda(m \bar{r})$ .

(Note that  $M$  projective  $\Rightarrow$  have  $M \xrightleftharpoons[\text{pr}]{\text{pr}} R^n$ )  
 So define  $M \otimes_R E \xrightleftharpoons{\text{pr}} E^n$  using the induced projector.)

(For an ab. variety  $(M \otimes_R A)^* = M^* \otimes_R A^*$ .)

[Can extend for  $M$  not projective?]

Claim:  $\text{Hom}(M \otimes_R E, N \otimes_R E) = \text{Hom}_R(M, N)$

An arrow  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M \otimes_R E, N \otimes_R E)$  is obvious.

Since  $M$  is projective, it's enough to check for free modules, hence for  $M=N=R$ , and then

$$\text{Hom}(E, E) = \text{Hom}_R(R, R) = R$$

(by our assumption on  $R$ )

Claim: If  $M \otimes_R E = B \oplus C$   $B, C$  ab. varieties, then  $M = M_B \oplus M_C$  as  $R$ -modules and  $B = M_B \otimes E, C = M_C \otimes E$ .

Pf: Corresponds to  $\beta \in \text{End}(M \otimes_R E)$  s.t.  $\beta^2 = \beta$ ; but this comes from a projector of  $M$ , which gives  $M_B \oplus M_C$ .  $\square$

$E, R, M$  projective

Define  $A = M \otimes_R E$ . [Note that this is isog. to  $\underbrace{E \times \dots \times E}_{\text{rk } M \text{ times}}$ .]

What is a principal polarization on  $A$ ?

Claim: Corresp. to an  $R$ -hermitian  $\gg 0$  form on  $M$  with discriminant 1.



Hermitian form on  $M$  is  $\Phi: M \times M \rightarrow R$  w/ the usual properties; can also view as  $\varphi: M \rightarrow M^*$  form  
 s.t.  $\varphi^* = \varphi$ .

(via  $\Phi(m_1, m_2) = \varphi(m_1)(m_2)$ , antilinear in  $m_1$ , linear in  $m_2$ .)

$\Phi$  pos. def.  $\rightarrow \Phi(m, m) > 0$  for all  $m \neq 0$

disc 1:  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism.

[ Note  $\Phi(m, m) \in R$ ,  $\overline{\Phi(m, m)} = \Phi(m, m)$

and  $(R = \text{End } E!)$   $\{r \in R \mid \bar{r} = r\} = \mathbb{Z}$

so  $\Phi(m, m) > 0$  makes sense. ]

Now the equivalence

principal polariz on  $\Lambda \iff R$ -herm. form on  $M$ ,  
 pos. def., disc 1. ] call such "hermitian modules"

is clear, except maybe that pos. def  $\iff \varphi$  polarization

If  $M$  is free, we have  $E \times \dots \times E \xrightarrow{\varphi} E \times \dots \times E$   
 and then it's in Mumford.

Also

Indec of polariz.  $\iff$  Indec of the herm. module  $M$ .

(OK)

This gives a method for getting curves of genus 2 out of  $E$  and an indec. hermitian module of rank 2, but need to check indec. over quad. extn.

For instance, if  $\text{Tr}(\text{Frob } E) \neq 0$ , this is automatic. (saw this last time).

$$\text{Set } J = M \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} E. \text{ Indec} \Rightarrow J = J(C)$$

Example

$E$  CM by  $\sqrt{-2}$

$$R = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$$

$$M = R \times R$$

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1+\sqrt{-2} \\ 1-\sqrt{-2} & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \det = 4 - (1+2) = 1.$$

for def  $\checkmark$

indec: values of  $\Phi$  are even  $\neq \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

So this gives a curve  $C$

$$\tilde{S}_4 = \text{Aut}(M) = \text{Aut}(C)$$

$\tilde{S}_4 = 2$ -sheeted cover of  $S_4$

genus  $(C) = 2, \Rightarrow C$  unique up to quad. twist.

$$\text{eqn: } y^2 = x^5 - x$$

Will show: indec. hermitian  $M$  exist, except when  $R$  has disc.  $-3, -4, -7$ .

Also: under some condns on  $R$ , this gives every ab. variety isog. to a product of  $E$ 's.

11/26 ( $g=2$ )

We connected

curves  $\longleftrightarrow$  "binary" hermitian forms,  
 pos. def. of disc. 1.

$E$  ell. curve,  $R = \text{End}_k(E)$ ; assume  $\text{rk } R = 2$ . (so  $R = \text{order}$   
 in an imag. quad. field).  
 assume:  $= \text{End}_k(E)$

Choose an  $R$ -module  $P$  proj. of rank 2, with a Hermitian form  $H: P \times P \rightarrow R$ , positive definite (i.e.,  $H(x,x) > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$ ), disc. 1, (i.e.,  $H$  defines an isom.  $P \rightarrow P^*$  (twisted dual)).

Then  $E \otimes P = A$  is an ab. variety of dim 2 on which  $H$  gives a polariz. of deg 1.

$$H \text{ indec} \rightarrow A \text{ indec}/k \Leftrightarrow A = \text{Jac}(C)$$

for a well-defined  $C$  of genus 2.

[ $k$  field of defn]

indec. possibility is no problem because we assume  $\text{End}_k(E)$

$$-d = \text{disc } R$$

$$\text{Write } R = R_{-d}, \text{ so } R_{-4} = \mathbb{Z}[i]$$

$$R_{-3} = \mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1+\sqrt{-3}}{2}\right]$$

Theorem (Hayashida-Nishi)

Such an indecomposable binary form exists if and only if  $d \neq 3, 4, 7$ .

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First: note: if  $A = E \otimes P$ , then  $P = \text{Hom}_R(E, A)$

for  $x \in P$ ,  $H(x) = ?$

interpret  $x$  as  $E \xrightarrow{x} A$

$H(x) = \text{degree of } x^*$  (polarization)

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Proof that every  $P$  is trivial on  $R_{-3}, R_{-4}, R_{-7}$

Here  $P = R \otimes R$  since the class no. is 1.

$$\text{So } H = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \alpha \\ \bar{\alpha} & \mu \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{Z}, > 0$$

$$\lambda\mu - \alpha\bar{\alpha} = 1, \quad \alpha \in R$$

Want  $H \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

s.e., ~~and~~ <sup>have</sup>  $\forall e_1, e_2$  basis of  $P$  s.t.  $e_1 \cdot e_1 = \lambda, \text{ etc.}$

$e_1$ : any primitive vector (i.e.,  $e_1 \neq 0, \Re, \text{ direct factor}$ ).

Assume  $e_1$  has been chosen with smallest  $e_1 \cdot e_1$ , i.e.,  $\lambda$  is minimal.

So  $\lambda \leq \mu$  (since  $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mu = e_2 \cdot e_2$ !)  
and  $\alpha$  can be changed into any  $\alpha + \lambda r$  for  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Claim: by suitable choice of  $r$ , I can make  $\alpha$  to be such that  $\alpha^2 < \frac{3}{4} \lambda^2$ .

(Proof later)

$$\text{Then } \lambda\mu - \alpha^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = \lambda\mu - 1 < \frac{3}{4} \lambda^2$$

$$\lambda\mu < \frac{3}{4} \lambda^2 + 1$$

$$\lambda \leq \mu \Rightarrow \lambda^2 < \frac{3}{4} \lambda^2 + 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \lambda^2 < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = 1}$$

Then take  $r = -\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha$  can be made 0

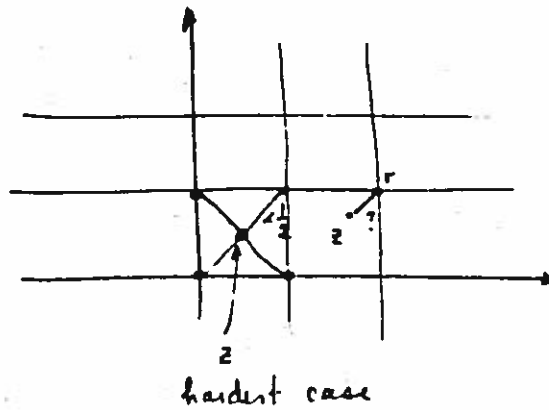
and  $\lambda\mu - \alpha^2 = 1$  forces  $\mu = 1$ .  $\square$

Proof of claim

I want to find  $z$  s.t.  $\left| \frac{w}{\lambda} + z \right|^2 < \frac{3}{4}$ .

Lemma: For every  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\exists r \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $|z - r|^2 < \frac{3}{4}$ .

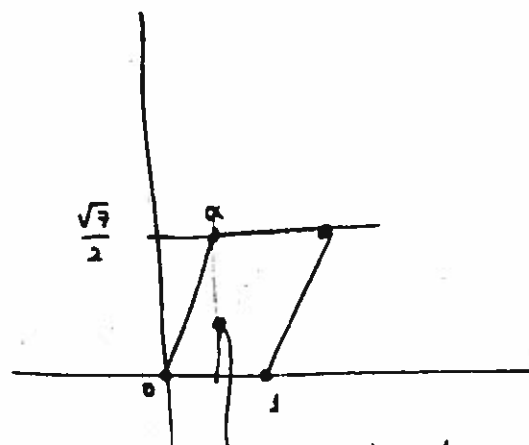
For  $z[i]$ :



so for  $z[i]$  can get  $|z - r| < \frac{1}{2}$

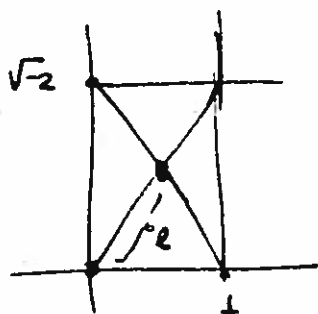
For  $z[\frac{1+\sqrt{3}i}{2}]$  find can get  $|z - r| < \frac{1}{3}$

For  $R_3$ :



hardest pt: center of circle through  $0, 1, \alpha$  — so check.

For  $R_2$



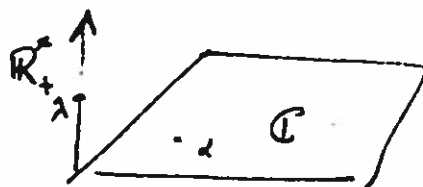
length =  $\frac{3}{4}$   
to can't work!

In fact, exists a unique isoc. form:  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1+\sqrt{-2} \\ 1-\sqrt{-2} & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Ordinary quad forms  $\leftrightarrow$  fund domain for  $SL_2(\mathbb{C})$

In our case,  $SL_2(\mathbb{R}) \subset SL_2(\mathbb{C})$

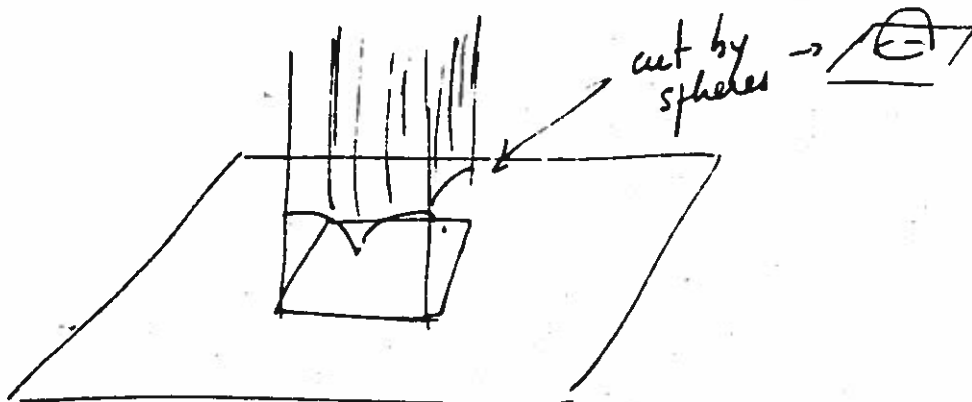
acts on 3-dim'l hyperbolic space



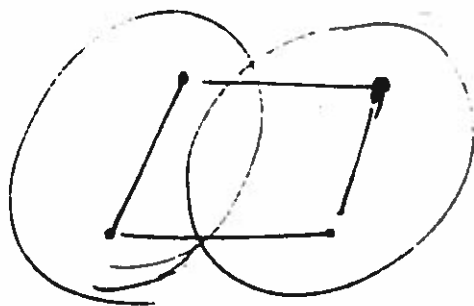
$$|z_1 + \alpha z_2|^2 + \lambda |z_2|^2$$

$\uparrow$   $\mathbb{C}$                        $\uparrow$   $\mathbb{R}$

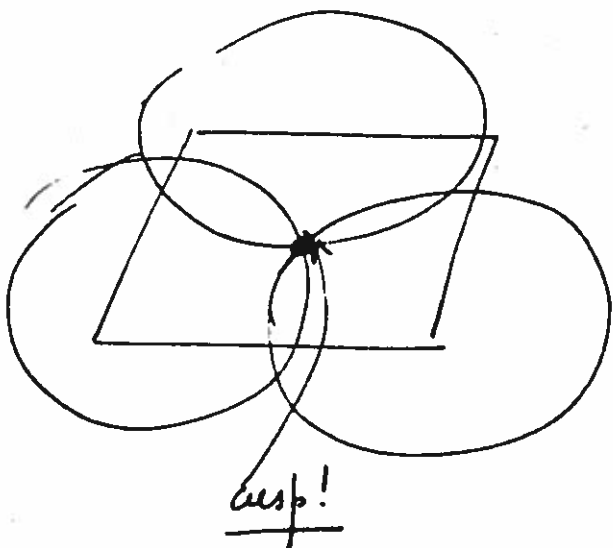
Fund. domain looks like:



So draw the fund. domain + the equators of the spheres



would have  $d \neq 1$   
(only cusp =  $\infty$ )



Biauchi has such pictures for low discriminant.

2<sup>nd</sup> proof (of nonexistence if  $d = -3, -4, -7$ )

Idea: if such an ideal  $P$  existed, it would create a curve with <sup>strictly</sup> negative number of pts over some  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

E.g., suppose  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  had such  $P$ .

$\pi = 2+i$  can be Frob of curve/ $\mathbb{F}_5$ , genus 1.

$P \rightarrow \exists C/\mathbb{F}_5$   $g=2$ , with Frob  $\pi, \bar{\pi}$  twice.

$$P \quad N = 1 + 5 - 2(\pi + \bar{\pi}) = 1 - 8 = -2 \quad 5$$



$$\cdot \mathbb{Z} \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2} \right]$$

$$\text{Take } \pi = \frac{3+\sqrt{-7}}{2} \quad / \mathbb{F}_4$$

$$(N\pi = 4)$$

$$P \text{ gives } C/\mathbb{F}_4 \quad N = 1 + 4 - 2(\pi + \bar{\pi}) = 5 - 6 = -1.$$

$$\cdot \mathbb{Z} \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{-3}}{2} \right]$$

$$\pi = \frac{5+\sqrt{-3}}{2} \quad / \mathbb{F}_7$$

$$(N\pi = 7)$$

$$\text{get } C \text{ w/ } N = 1 + 7 - 2(5) = -2.$$

How to construct  $P$  in the other cases:

Lemma: Let  $P$  be such a ~~module~~ module:  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .

Let  $e \in P$ , primitive and with  $e \cdot e = 2$ .

Then either  $P$  is indec.

or  $P \cong R \oplus R$  with herm. form  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Pf: Suppose  $P = Q_1 \oplus Q_2$ ,  $Q_i$  rk 1.

$$\text{Then } e = q_1 + q_2$$

$$2 = e \cdot e = q_1 \cdot q_1 + q_2 \cdot q_2$$

(orthog. decomp!)

$\mathcal{P}$  = category  
of modules  
as above...

$\therefore$  either  $q_1 \cdot \bar{q}_1 = q_2 \cdot \bar{q}_2 = 1$  and then  $q_1, q_2$  give  $Q_1, Q_2$  and we have  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

or  $e = q_1 + q_2 = 0$ . This cannot occur, since  $e$  is primitive, and would generate  $Q_1$ , so  $\text{disc } Q_1 = 2$  and  $\text{disc } P = \text{disc } Q_1 \cdot \text{disc } Q_2 \neq 1$ .

$e \cdot (\lambda e + \mu) = 2\lambda$  is also a contradiction.  $\square$

Lemma 2: Let  $e, P$  be as in Lemma 1, and  $f \in P$  such that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{a) } e \cdot f \notin \mathbb{Z} \\ \text{b) } \text{f} \cdot \text{f} = z_1 \bar{z}_1 + z_2 \bar{z}_2 \text{ with } z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{K} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Then  $P$  is indecomposable.

Pf:  $P$  dec  $\rightarrow P = R \oplus R$  with  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  by Lemma 1 and  $e = (1, 1)$  (by the proof)

Say  $f = (z_1, z_2)$ .

Then  $f \cdot f = z_1 \bar{z}_1 + z_2 \bar{z}_2 \Rightarrow z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  by (b).

But  $e \cdot f = z_1 + z_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  contradicting (a).  $\square$

Now it remains to write down some matrices  
 $\begin{pmatrix} z & a \\ \bar{z} & \mu \end{pmatrix}$  under these conditions ( $\mu$  will give the conditions on  $f$ , of course).

12/3  $g=2$  (the end)

We were looking at binary hermitian forms, (for def. disc. 1) on  $R = \mathbb{Z}[R_d]$ , order in an imag. quad. field.

(We know  $d \equiv 0$  or  $3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d > 0$ ,

and  $R_d$  has basis over  $\mathbb{Z}$ : 1 and either  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{-d}/4 \text{ if } d \equiv 0(4) \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{-d}}{2} \text{ if } d \equiv 3(4) \end{array} \right\}$

We want to prove: if  $d \neq 3, 4, 7 \Rightarrow \exists$  indec. binary hermitian form

lemmas above:  $P$  proj hermitian module

1)  $e \in P$ ,  $e \cdot e = 2$ , primitive

$\Rightarrow$  either  $P$  indec

or  $P = R_d \oplus R_d$ ,  $e \mapsto (1, 1)$

2)  $\exists f, f \in P$ , s.t.  $e \cdot f \notin \mathbb{Z}$  and  $f \cdot f = z_1 \bar{z}_1 + z_2 \bar{z}_2$ ,  
 $z_i \in R_d \Rightarrow z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow P$  indec.

Cases

$$\textcircled{1} \quad d \equiv 0 \pmod{8}, \quad P = R \oplus R$$

$$\alpha = 1 + \sqrt{-d/4}$$

$$\text{so } \alpha \bar{\alpha} = d/4 + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$$

$$\text{so } \mu = \frac{1 + \alpha \bar{\alpha}}{2} = 1 + \frac{d}{8}.$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{In cases } \textcircled{1} - \textcircled{3}, \\ P = R \oplus R, \text{ matrix} \\ \text{is } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \alpha \\ \bar{\alpha} & \mu \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} e = (1, 0) \\ f = (0, 1) \end{array} \\ 2\mu - \alpha \bar{\alpha} = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Then  $e \cdot e = 2$ , primitive

$$e \cdot f = \alpha \notin \mathbb{Z}$$

$$f \cdot f = \mu = 1 + \frac{d}{8}$$

$$N(x + y\sqrt{-d/4}) = x^2 + \frac{d}{4}y^2 \geq \frac{d}{4} \text{ if } y \neq 0$$

$$\text{But } \frac{d}{4} > 1 + \frac{d}{8} \text{ unless } d = 8.$$

So if  $d > 8$ ,  $P$  is indec.

$$\text{If } d = 8, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 + \sqrt{-2} \\ 1 - \sqrt{-2} & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

is indec, since  $z \cdot z$  is even for any  $z$ .

$$\textcircled{2} \quad d \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$$

$$\text{take } \begin{cases} \alpha = \sqrt{\frac{-d}{4}} \\ \mu = \frac{1 + \alpha\bar{\alpha}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{d}{8} \end{cases}$$

and check as before.

$$\textcircled{3} \quad d \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$$

$$\text{take } \begin{cases} \alpha = \frac{1 + \sqrt{-d}}{2}, & \text{so } \alpha\bar{\alpha} = \frac{1+d}{4} \\ \mu = \frac{5+d}{8} \end{cases}$$

again as before.

$$\textcircled{4} \quad d \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$$

$$[d+7]$$

This implies  $\mathfrak{h}(-d) > 1$ :  $\mathfrak{I}$  splits as  $\mathfrak{f}\bar{\mathfrak{f}}$ , i.e.:

$$\mathcal{R}_d \otimes \mathbb{Z}_2 = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \quad (*)$$

(\*): if  $x = \frac{1 + \sqrt{-d}}{2}$ ,  $x$  satisfies  $x^2 - x + \frac{1+d}{4} = 0$ .

$$\text{Mod } 2: \quad x^2 - x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

and this splits mod 2

And then one checks that  $\mathfrak{f}$  is not principal.

If it were,  $\exists x \in \mathcal{R}$  s.t.  $\alpha\bar{\alpha} = 2$ ; but  $d > 7$  so this can't be.

Choose an <sup>inv.</sup> ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$ , not principal (e.g.,  $\mathfrak{f}$ ).

Now take  $P = R + \mathcal{O}$  (not free).

A hermitian form on  $P$  is given by a matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \alpha \\ \bar{\alpha} & \mu \end{pmatrix} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \alpha \in \frac{1}{N\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}, \quad (\bar{\alpha} \in \frac{1}{N\mathcal{O}} \bar{\mathcal{O}}) \\ \mu \in \frac{1}{N\mathcal{O}} \mathbb{Z} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{herm form is } \lambda z_1 \bar{z}_1 + \alpha \frac{z_1 \bar{z}_2}{\in \mathcal{O}} + \bar{\alpha} \bar{z}_1 z_2 + \mu z_2 \bar{z}_2 \\ \text{with } z_1 \in R, z_2 \in \mathcal{O} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \bar{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O} = N\mathcal{O},$$

So if  $\alpha \in \frac{1}{N\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}$ , OK!

To check: form is  $R \oplus \mathcal{O} \rightarrow R \oplus \bar{\mathcal{O}}$ , so get conditions

"det = 1" means  $(\lambda\mu - \alpha\bar{\alpha})N\mathcal{O} = 1$

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Take  $\lambda=2$  to have a vector of length 2.

Claim:  $\exists \alpha \in \frac{1}{N\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}, \exists \mu \in \frac{1}{N\mathcal{O}} \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $(2\mu - \alpha\bar{\alpha})N\mathcal{O} = 1$

Write  $\alpha = \frac{1}{N\mathcal{O}} z, z \in \mathcal{O}, \mu = \frac{m}{N\mathcal{O}}$ , and then

we want

$$2m - \frac{z\bar{z}}{N\mathcal{O}} = 1$$

So we want:  $\exists z \in \mathcal{O}$  s.t.  $\frac{z\bar{z}}{N\mathcal{O}} \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ .

Choose  $z$  a local generator at  $\mathfrak{2}$  (since locally principal!).

Then by Lemma 1, we are done, since  $P$  is not free.  $\square$

[For ternary hermitian forms, <sup>bad rings</sup> should be  $d = -3, -4, -8, -11$ ; still] can't prove those are all the bad rings.]

$E$  ell. curve,  $R = \text{End}(E)$

\* We associated  $A = P \otimes_R E$ .

Then form indec  $\implies A$  indec, pol. deg 1

For  $g=2 \implies$  curve.

\* Which  $A$ 's are of the form  $P \otimes_R E$ ?

[Suppose we want to prove:  
For  $q=13, g=2, N \neq 28$ .  
If  $N=28$ , should have  $\bar{\pi} = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{-3}}{2}$  twice,  
which corresponds to  $E$  with  $R = R_{-3}$ .  
Then  $\text{Jac}(C) \cong P \otimes E$  for some  $P$   
polariz on  $\text{Jac} \implies$  hermitian form on  $P$ , indec.  
by what we'll prove!  
contradiction!

Assume:  $E$  ordinary,  $R = \text{End } E$ ,  $R$  maximal order.

[if  $R$  not max. order, should use  $R$  is a Brauer ring]

Let  $A$  be an abelian variety on which  $R$  acts, isogenous over  $\bar{k}$  to  $\underbrace{E \times \bar{E} \times \dots \times E \times \bar{E}}_g$ .

Thm: Then  $A \cong P \otimes_R E$ , with  $P = \text{Hom}_R(E, A)$ , and  $P$  is projective.

Pf:  $A$  is isogenous to  $L \otimes E$   $L$  free  $R$ -module.

$A \longrightarrow L \otimes E$  isogeny.

primes dividing order of kernel ?

a)  $l \neq \text{char}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Use } V_l(A) = V_l(L \otimes E) & & \\ \cup & & \cup \\ T_l A \hookrightarrow T_l(L \otimes E) & & \end{array}$$

and  $l \mid \text{order of kernel} \implies$  lattices are different

View  $L \subset K^g$



$L \subset P \subset K^{\mathfrak{g}}$  corresponds to: for finitely many  $l$

$$L \otimes R_l \subset P \otimes R_l$$

Same for  $P \subset L \subset K^{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

So choose  $P \subset L$  s.t.  $P_l = P \otimes R_l = T_l A$

Then we'll have  $T_l A = T_l(P \otimes E)$  so OK at  $L$ .

Since we have  $A$  ordinary, it has a  $T_p A$ , free of rank  $2g$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .

$$T_p A = (\text{naive } T_p) \oplus (\mathbb{Z}_p\text{-dual of } T_p^{(1)} \text{ (dual of } A))$$

$$T_p^{(1)}(A) = \underbrace{\varprojlim A[p^n]}_{\text{rk } g}$$

One proves that this  $T_p A$  satisfies the same formalism as before.

[For general  $A$ , must add  $\oplus$  piece coming from Witt-vectors cohomology]

Note: for ordinary  $E$ ,  $R_p = \mathbb{Z}_p \oplus \mathbb{Z}_p$

This gives a proof.  $\square$

Skolem Method

We needed to consider 
$$\beta^n = \begin{cases} x^2 + 1 \\ x^2 + x + 1 \\ x^2 + x + 2 \end{cases}$$

$n$  odd  $\geq 3$ .

List:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{none for } x^2 + 1 \\ 7^3 = 18^2 + 18 + 1 \\ 2^3 = 2^2 + 2 + 2 \\ 2^5 = 5^2 + 5 + 2 \\ 2^{13} = 90^2 + 90 + 2 \end{array} \right.$

So look at equations

$$\begin{cases} y^n = x^2 + 1 \\ y^n = x^2 + x + 1 \\ 2^n = x^2 + x + 2 \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} y > 1 \\ n \text{ odd } \geq 3 \end{array} \right\}$$

Claim: no other solutions than listed above.

- ①  $y^n = x^2 + 1$  : Lebesgue
  - ②  $y^n = x^2 + x + 1$  : Nagel + Ljunggren
  - ③  $2^n = x^2 + x + 2$  : Nagel
- } Cf. Mordell, Diophantine Equations.  
(Proofs for ① + ③, refs.)

②: Nagel:  $y^n = x^2 + x + 1 \implies n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  (easy;)

Nagel reduces to  $y=13$ .

They must show  $13^n \neq x^2 + x + 1$   
gives wrong argument,  
(can be corrected.)

Once  $3|n$ , look at  $y^3 = x^2 + x + 1$ , and show  
integral points are  $\begin{cases} y=1, x=0 \text{ or } -1 \\ y=7, x=90 \text{ or } -91 \end{cases}$  (Ljunggren)

Simpler proof: Tzanakis, J. Num. Th.  
18 (1984)

We give a proof for case ③:  $2^n = x^2 + x + 2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note: } 4 \cdot 2^n &= 4x^2 + 4x + 1 + 7 \\ &= (2x+1)^2 + 7 \end{aligned}$$

So work in  $\mathbb{R}_{-7}$ , set  $\omega = \frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}$ , so  $\begin{cases} \omega + \bar{\omega} = 1 \\ \omega \bar{\omega} = 2 \end{cases}$

(So  $\omega^2 - \omega + 2 = 0$ ).

And our equation is  $\boxed{\omega^n \bar{\omega}^n = (x+\omega)(x+\bar{\omega})}$

Can replace  $x$  by  $-1-x$ , so choose  $x$  even.

Set 2

$$(\omega) = \xi \quad , \quad 2 = \xi \bar{\xi} .$$

So we must have  $x + \omega = \xi^i \bar{\xi}^j \quad i+j=n$

And  $2 \nmid x + \omega$ . If  $i, j \geq 1$ ,  $x + \omega$  div by  $\xi \bar{\xi} = 2$ , no!

$$\text{So } x + \omega = \pm \omega^n \quad \text{or } \pm \bar{\omega}^n$$

$x$  even  $\Rightarrow x + \omega = \pm \bar{\omega}^n$  is impossible.

$$\text{So } x + \omega = \pm \omega^n$$

$$\text{Now } \omega^n - \bar{\omega}^n = \pm (\omega - \bar{\omega})$$

sign is - :

$$\text{in } \mathbb{R}/\omega^2\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\bar{\omega} \longrightarrow -1$$

$$\omega \longrightarrow 2$$

$$\omega^2 \longrightarrow 0$$

So image of eqn is

$$0 - (-1)^n = \pm (2 + 1)$$

$$n \text{ odd : } 1 = \pm (2 + 1)$$

so have - .

$$\text{So } \omega^n - \bar{\omega}^n = -(\omega - \bar{\omega})$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{\omega^n = -x - \omega}$$

$$\text{Let } R = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\omega$$

$$\omega^n = a_n + b_n \omega$$

Question is: do we get  $b_n = -1$ ?

We do for  $n=3, 5, 13$ . Claim: no others.

Skolem's method:

Look at  $\omega^n - \bar{\omega}^n = -(\omega - \bar{\omega})$  as an eqn for  $n$ ,  
and interpret  $p$ -adically.

[Works for  $p=29, 37, 43, 71, 79, 109, 191, \dots$ ]  
 We take  $p=7$ , but

Take  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$ ,  $\hat{K}$  = completion at the prime  $1/7$

$$v: \hat{K}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\pi = \sqrt{-7}, \quad v(\pi) = 1 \\ v(7) = 2, \quad \text{so } e = 2.$$

We want to think of the eqn. with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_7$ , if possible.

$\omega \in U_{\hat{K}}$ , but is not  $\equiv 1 \pmod{\pi}$

Residue field is  $\mathbb{F}_7^*$ , and  $\omega$  has order 6.

So we must work with  $n \pmod{6}$ .

Cases:  $\begin{cases} n \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \\ n \equiv 3 \pmod{6} \\ n \equiv 5 \pmod{6} \end{cases}$

[our examples are 3, 5, 13; one in each case!]

To be proved: in each case, there exists at most one value  $n$  s.t.

$$\omega^n - \bar{\omega}^n = -(\omega - \bar{\omega})$$

Let  $n_0 =$  one solution, so  $n = n_0 + 6t$

$$\omega^{n_0} \omega^{6t} - \bar{\omega}^{n_0} \bar{\omega}^{6t} = -(\omega - \bar{\omega})$$

Now  $\omega^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{\pi}$

$$\omega = \frac{1+\pi}{2}, \text{ so } \alpha = \omega^6 = \frac{(1+\pi)^6}{2^6} = \frac{1+6\pi+\dots}{2^6}$$

$$\text{mod } 7, \quad 2^6 \equiv 1, \quad 6 \equiv -1$$

$$\text{So get } \alpha \equiv 1 - \pi \pmod{\pi^2} \quad (\text{note } 7 \sim \pi^2)$$

So our equation is  $\boxed{\omega^{n_0} \alpha^t - \bar{\omega}^{n_0} \alpha^t = -(\omega - \bar{\omega})}$

Now take  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_7$   $f(t)$  analytic.

We want to solve  $f(t) = \text{const.}$

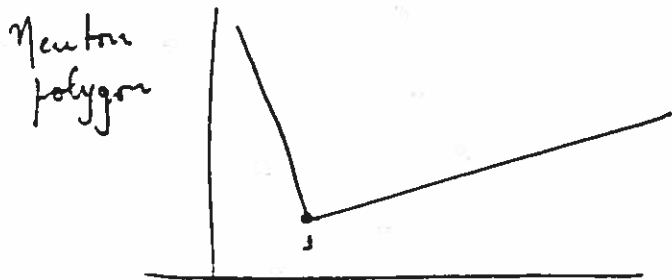
$\therefore$  only finitely many solutions.

So expand  $f(t)$  in a power-series

$$f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \dots \quad v(a_0) \geq 0$$

if we can show  $v(a_1) = 1$ ,  $v(a_n) \geq 2$  for  $n \geq 2$

then we have at most one solution.



Or: know one solution, so choose  $n_0$  s.t.  $a_0 = 0$  ;  
divide by  $t$

$$f(t) = t \left( 1 + \underbrace{\quad}_{v(\quad) \geq 0} \right)$$

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$$\alpha^t = e^{t \log \alpha} \quad , \quad \text{so} \quad a_n = \omega^{n_0} \frac{(\log \alpha)^n}{n!} - \bar{\omega}^{n_0} \frac{(\log \bar{\alpha})^n}{n!}$$

$$\alpha \equiv 1 - \pi \pmod{\pi^2}$$

$$\log(\alpha) \equiv -\pi \pmod{\pi^2} \quad \text{so} \quad v(\log \alpha) = v(\log \bar{\alpha}) = 1.$$

$$\text{So } v(a_1) \geq 1, \quad v(a_2) \geq 2, \quad \dots, \quad v(a_n) \geq n$$





12/5  $g=3$  — see table of  $(g, N)$  (p. Se 64b)

Voloch's bound (for  $g=3$ )

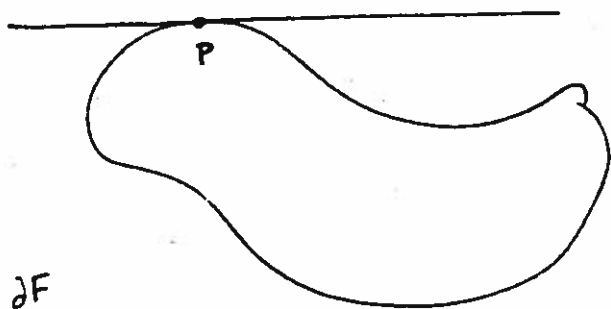
$$N \leq 2g + 6, \text{ except for "special cases"}$$

Assume not hyperelliptic (if hyperelliptic,  $N \leq 2g+2$ ).

$\therefore$  curve is a nonsingular quartic in plane,  
so given by

$$F(x, y) = 0$$

$$\text{or } F_4(x, y, z) = 0$$



Write equation

"Frob of  $P \in \text{tgt at } P$ "

in homog. coords:

$$G = X^3 F'_x + Y^3 F'_y + Z^3 F'_z = 0$$

"Special" if  $F$  divides  $G$  (i.e., Frob  $P \in \text{tgt at } P$  for every  $P$ ).

If not special, the number of inters. of  $F=0$  &  $G=0$  is  $4(g+3)$ .

If  $P = (x, y, z)$  is a rational point, it clearly is in the intersection; moreover, the two curves are tangent at such a point, so each rat'l point counts at least twice.

$$F'_x = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}$$

$g = 3$

Maximum number of points

- $q = 2$  ;  $N = 7$  : twisted Klein curve,  $\sum x^4 + \sum x^2 y^2 + z^2 y z + x y^2 z = 0$
- $q = 3$  ;  $N = 10$  :  $y^3 - y = x^4 - x^2$
- $q = 4$  ;  $N = 14$  : Klein curve  $\sum x^4 + \sum x^2 y^2 + \sum x^2 y z = 0$
- $q = 5$  ;  $N = 16$  :  $x^4 + y^4 = 2z^4$
- $q = 7$  ;  $N = 20$  : cubic covering  $t^3 = y - x^2 + xy$  of the elliptic curve  $y^2 - y = x^3 - x^2$
- $q = 8$  ;  $N = 24$  : Klein curve
- $q = 9$  ;  $N = 28$  : Klein curve = Fermat curve ( $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 = 0$ )
- $q = 11$  ;  $N = 28$  :  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + 2(3x^2 y^2 + 4y^2 z^2 + 4z^2 x^2) = 0$
- $q = 13$  ;  $N = 32$  : Fermat curve
- $q = 16$  ;  $N = 38$  : biquadratic extension of  $\mathbb{F}_{16}(z)$  defined by  $y^2 + y = x + \frac{p}{x}$  ;  $y^2 + y = x + \frac{p^2}{1+x}$  where  $p \in \mathbb{F}_4 - \mathbb{F}_2$
- $q = 17$  ;  $N = 40$  :  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + 4y^2 z^2 = 0$
- $q = 19$  ;  $N = 44$
- $q = 23$  ;  $N = 48$  :  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 - 5(x^2 y^2 + y^2 z^2 + z^2 x^2) = 0$
- $q = 25$  ;  $N = 56$  : Klein curve
- $q = 27$  ;  $N = ?$
- $q = 29$  ;  $N = ?$
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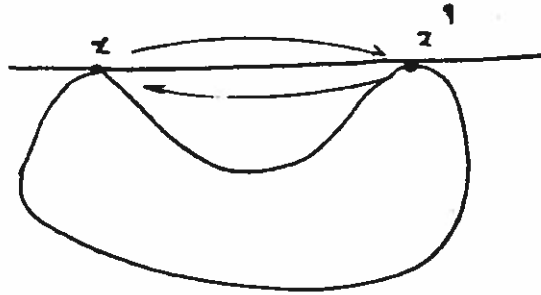
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(This list is not entirely guaranteed...)

J-P.S.

Therefore  $N \leq 2(q+3) = 2q+6$ .

Example:



$x$  of deg 2  
on a  $\mathbb{P}^1$  tangent  
then  $x \in$  intersection

Similarly, could have a triangle.

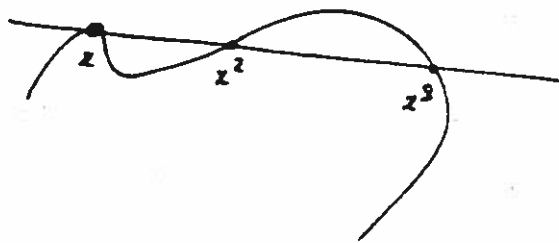
Special curves:

Klein curve in char. 2 /  $\mathbb{F}_2$  or  $\mathbb{F}_4$

$$Sx^4 + Sx^2y^2 + Sx^2yz = 0$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} Sx^4 = x^4 + y^4 + z^4, \\ \text{etc.} \end{array} \right)$$

Check:



for any  $x$

Can write the polynomial as

and then it's obvious that  $x, x^2, x^3$

$$\frac{\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x^3 & y^3 & z^3 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x^4 & y^4 & z^4 \end{vmatrix}}$$

Equ of tgt at   $(x, y, z)$  is:

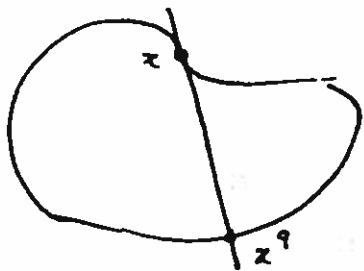
$$X \begin{vmatrix} y^2 & z^2 \\ y^8 & z^8 \end{vmatrix} + Y \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \end{vmatrix} + Z \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Another check  $x + x + x^2 + x^8 \sim$  trivial divisor

So shd have  $2 + \pi + \pi^8 = 0$  on Jac.

Klein curve over  $\mathbb{F}_3$  is special over  $\mathbb{F}_9$ .

Fermat  $x^9 + y^9 = z^9$



Then: every tgt is inflection tangent, and other inflex is  $x^9$ .

Write equations to check.

Tangent is  $Xx^3 + Yy^3 + Zz^3 = 0$

at  $x^9$ :  $x^{12} + y^{12} + z^{12} \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ ,  
yes since this is  
 $(x^4 + y^4 + z^4)^3 = 0$

(char 3!)

Or check on Jacobian: want  $3 + \pi_g = 0$

$\pi_g = -3$ , which is true.

This is why Voloch's bound fails at 8, 9.

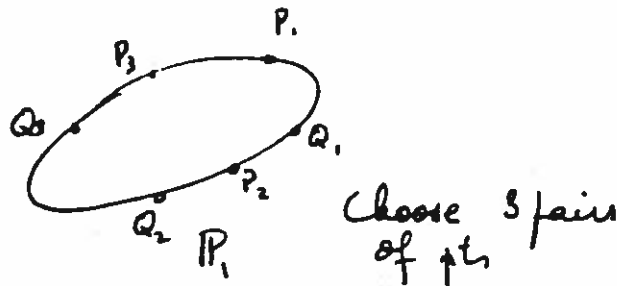
Can prove  $\text{char} \geq 5 \Rightarrow$  non-special  
 Guess: these are the only special curves.

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For  $g=2$ , we used gluing of elliptic curves, either  
 { direct method "2-gluing"  
 or  
 hermitian forms

For  $g=3$ , two difficulties:

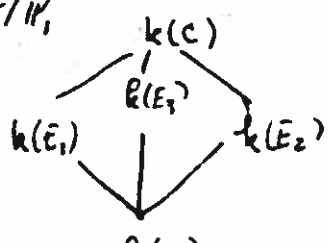
Elementary gluing



Make  $E_1/P_1$  ramified at  $P_2, Q_2, P_3, Q_3$

$E_2/P_1$  " "  $P_1, Q_1, P_3, Q_3$

Get:



$E_3$  ramified only at  $P_1, Q_1, P_2, Q_2$

So get  $C$  of genus 3,  $\text{Jac}(C) \sim E_1 \times E_2 \times E_3$

Consider  $\boxed{ax^4 + by^4 + cz^4 + dx^2y^2 + ey^2z^2 + fz^2x^2 = 0}$

Assume  $\Delta \neq 0$

Set  $z=1$  :  $ax^4 + by^4 + c + dx^2y^2 + ey^2 + fx^2 = 0$

Set  $Y = y^2$

$ax^4 + bY^2 + c + dx^2Y + eY + fx^2 = 0$

}  
↓

$Y^2 = \lambda x^4 + \mu x^2 + \nu$

which is an elliptic curve.

doing w/ each variable, get 3 curves.

Or look at it as a group of type (2,2) acting by  $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (\pm x, \pm y, \pm z)$ .

E.g., to get three times the same curve  $E$ , we find

$x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + 2a(x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2x^2) = 0$

So choose  $a$  to get the curve  $E$ .

E.g. for 11, 17      2 of one kind, 1 different  
for 23              3 of the same

For  $g=23$

Voloch bound doesn't work. (gives 52)

$$m = [2\sqrt{23}] = [\sqrt{42}] = 9$$

$$m^2 - 4g = -31.$$

Weil gives  $N \leq 1 + g + 3m = 51$

This is impossible:

$N=51$  only if  $\text{Jac} \sim E \times E \times E$  with  $m=9$ ,  
so Frob should be  $\pi = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{-11}}{2}$ .

So  $R = \text{End}(E) = \mathbb{Z}[\pi] = R_{-11}$ .

$\therefore \text{Jac} \cong E \times E \times E + \text{polariz.} \leftrightarrow$  indec. hermit. form as before, of rk 3.

Kneuer: No such form over  $R_{-11}$ .

$1 + g + 3m - 1 \rightarrow$  down by 1 is impossible for  $g=3$

$1 + g + 3m - 2 = 49$  pts? down by 2, genus 3

only case is  $m, m, m-2$

that would mean  $\text{Jac} \sim E \times \bar{E} \times E'$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E \sim \pi = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{-11}}{2} \\ E' \sim \pi = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{-41}}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

Claim: no such thing exists.

(Problem: Jac is only isogenous to  $E \times E \times E'$ ).

$$\text{Let } \varphi = F + V = \pi + \bar{\pi}$$

$$J_9 = \text{conn comp of Ker}(\varphi + 9)$$

$$J_7 = \text{Ker}(\varphi + 7)$$

$$J_9 \cong E \times E \quad \text{isomorphic}$$

$$J_7 \cong E'$$

$$J_9 \cap J_7 \quad \text{killed by 2}$$

$$\text{So } J = \frac{J_9 \times J_7}{\Delta} \quad \Delta \subset E'[2]$$

so  $\Delta$  of type 1, (2) or (2, 2)

1  $\rightarrow$  Jac = product  $\rightarrow$  polariz. splits  $\rightarrow$  No.

(2)  $\rightarrow$  also can't be

(2, 2)

polariz of deg 1 on  $J$  gives a polariz on  $J_9 \times J_7$ , of degree 4.

Again, this splits; only interesting case is deg 2 on  $J_9$ , deg 2 on  $J_7$ .



So need polariz of deg 2 on  $J_7$ .

$J_7$  has CM by  $R_{11}$ , so want

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \alpha \\ \bar{\alpha} & \mu \end{pmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lambda\mu - \alpha\bar{\alpha} = 2 \\ \lambda > 0 \\ \text{coeff} \in R_{11} \end{array} \right.$$

Theorem: only case is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

But then  $J_7$  splits:  $J = E \times E \times E'/\Delta$ , and the whole  $J$  splits, which is not possible.  $\square$

$q=19$  Voloch bound gives 44.

$$\begin{cases} m = [2\sqrt{19}] = [\sqrt{76}] = 8 \\ m^2 - 4q = -12 \end{cases}$$

$$1 + 9 + 3 \cdot 8 = 44$$

So I want to prove  $m, m, m$  is possible.

So take  $E$  w/  $\pi = -4 \pm \sqrt{-3}$

Want  $Jac \sim E \times E \times E$ .

Look for a hermitian module for  $\sqrt{R} = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-3}] \subseteq \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-3}] \not\subseteq \text{max.}$

Form is  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1+\sqrt{-3} \\ 1 & 1-\sqrt{-3} & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $R \oplus R \oplus R$ .

To show indec., go to  $\tilde{R} = \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1+\sqrt{-3}}{2}]$ . There it is decomposable, so look at the lattice in  $\tilde{R} \times \tilde{R} \times \tilde{R}$ , and check: there is no vector of length 1.

Take  $A = P \otimes_R E$ .

Use:

Thue (Oort + ):

A principally polarized ab. variety of dim 3, indec., is a jacobian over a quad. extension.

1) If  $C$  hyperelliptic, then  $C$  can be chosen /  $k$   
s.t.  $\text{Jac } C \cong A/k$

2) If  $C$  not hyperelliptic, then  $\exists C/k$  unique + a quad twist  $\epsilon: \text{Gal}(E/k) \rightarrow \pm 1$   
s.t.  $\text{Jac } C \cong A$  (twisted by  $\epsilon$ ).

over a finite field, Frob of  $C$  is either  $\begin{cases} \text{Frob of } A \\ \text{or} \\ -\text{Frob of } A \end{cases}$

So curve will have either 44 or  $1+19-38 = -4$  points, so it has 44 pts.

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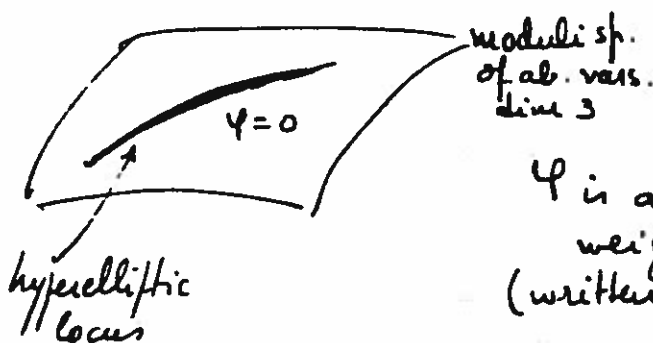
So  $E$  ell. curve,  $R = \text{End}(E)$ , take  $P$  hermitian module as usual.

Make  $A = E \otimes_R P$

Cost + - = this is a jacobian.

① Is  $C$  hyperelliptic?

Given  $g_2, g_3$  ( $P$  hermitian module)  $\rightarrow$  hyperelliptic?



$\psi$  is a mod form on Siegel ~~space~~ <sup>space</sup> weight 18 (written in Igusa on genus 3)

mod form on Siegel space (dim 3)  $\Big|_{CM \otimes_R \text{hermitian modules}} = ?$

② If  $C$  not hyperelliptic ( $\psi \neq 0$ ), find  $E = \sqrt{\psi}$ .

Igusa says: Klein noticed: take  $\Delta$  of a plane quartic

$$\psi = \frac{\Delta}{36}$$

or put  $\varphi = \frac{c\sqrt{11}}{36} \circ \mathcal{J}$ .  
 Suppose  $c=1$ ; then  $\varphi$  "is" the twist.

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Reformulation:

the twist  $A_E$  ( $A$  twisted by  $E$ ) can be written

$$A_E = P \otimes E_E$$

Start with  $P$ ; look at all  $E_E$  deduced from  $E$  by a quad. twist.

Then  $P$  determines a well-defined  $E_E$  among all those, the unique one s.t.  $P \otimes E_E = \text{Jac}(C)$ .

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Example for Gross:

$$E \text{ w/ CM by } \frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2} \quad (j = -3^3 5^3)$$

Look for  $P$  over this  $R$ :

$$P \text{ given by } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \alpha & \bar{\alpha} \\ \bar{\alpha} & 2 & -1 \\ \alpha & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}$$

$$\text{Automorphism} = \{\pm 1\} \times \underbrace{G_{168}}_{\text{simple of order 168}} \quad / \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$$

$$P \otimes E = \text{Jac}(\text{Klein})$$

So  $P$  selects the  $E$  w/ good reduction outside 7.  
 Klein has potentially good redn. everywhere, but ~~over~~ in  
 char 7, Klein becomes hyperelliptic.

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In general, have no way to determine the sign  
 when  $C$  is not hyperelliptic.

Define  $N_g(3) = \max$  nber of points for  $g=3$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

Conjecture:  $|N_g(3) - \text{Weil bound}|$  is bounded when  
 $q$  varies. (say  $\leq 6$ )

(For  $N_g(2)$  had 
$$\begin{matrix} 1+q+2u \\ 2u-1 \\ 2u-2 \\ \text{once } 2u-3 \end{matrix} \text{ )}$$

One would try to do down by 3,  $u-1, u-1, u-1$   
 or down by 6,  $u-2, u-2, u-2$ .

Take  $E$  w/ one of those,  $R = R_{-d}$ .

$$d = 4q - (u-1)^2$$

$$4q \geq u^2 \quad \text{so} \quad d \geq 2u-1$$

In part at other times...  $R$

$$d \gg g^{1/4}$$

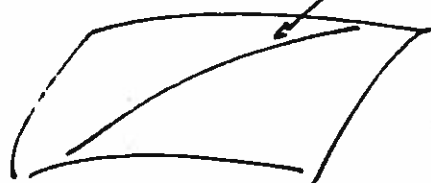
For each such herm. module, should compute the sign.

Getting + gives curves w/ many pts.

For  $g=4$ , would still make same conjecture (in fact for 5, 6, 7, or 8 too)

$$A_p = P \otimes E_{pp}$$

$\psi=0$  hypersurface of jacobians



So want  $\psi(A_p) = 0$

So chance is  $\frac{1}{g}$ . But then quad twist, so chance is  $\frac{1}{2g}$  of winning.

But number of  $P$  is large.

For very large  $g$ , say  $g=100$ , jacobians have too large a codimension.

So expect a breaking point between 3 + 10.

For  $g=3$ , using  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + 2a(x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2x^2) = 0$ . (C)

this has  $\text{Jac} \sim \bar{E}_x \bar{E}_y \bar{E}_z$ ,  $E_a: y^2 = (a^2 - 1)x^2 + \dots$

Question: can I choose  $E$  for  $m-1$ , say? I.e.,  
how many pts can this have?

[Added Dec 9, 1985] - A machine computation, made by M. Nitzberg, shows that:

1) For  $p = 19, 29, 53, 67, 71, 89$ , one may choose  $a$  ( $a = 3, 13, 0, 14, 36, 20$ ) such that

$$N(E_a) = 1 + p + m, \text{ hence } N(C_a) = 1 + p + 3m : \text{optimal bound!}$$

2) For  $p = 7, 13, 23, 43, 47, 61, 79, 97$ , one may choose  $a$  such that  $N(E_a) = 1 + p + (m-1)$ ,

$$\text{hence } N(C_a) = p + 3m - 2, \text{ which is optimal at least for } p = 7, 13, 23$$

RATIONAL POINTS ON CURVES  
OVER FINITE FIELDS

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9/26 Thursday:  $g$  large.

Ihara:  $X$  genus  $g / \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $g \geq 1$

Suppose  $N(X) = q + 1 + 2gq^{1/2}$  (so  $q$  is a square).

Then:  $g \leq \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$

Proof:  $N(X) = 1 + q - \sum_{\alpha=1}^{2g} \pi_{\alpha}$  ( $|\pi_{\alpha}| = q^{1/2}$ )

So we must have all  $\pi_{\alpha} = -q^{1/2}$

So  $\pi_{\alpha}^2 = q$ , and if  $N_2 = N_2(X) = \#(\mathbb{F}_{q^2})$ ,

$$N_2 = 1 + q^2 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^{2g} \pi_{\alpha}^2 = 1 + q^2 - 2gq$$

But  $N_2 \geq N_1$ , so  $1 + q^2 - 2gq \geq 1 + q + 2gq^{1/2}$

$$q^2 - q \geq 2g(q + q^{1/2})$$

$$\text{so } g \leq \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2}) \quad \square$$

B. Segre: Curve in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  given by  $x^{q^{1/2}+1} + y^{q^{1/2}+1} + z^{q^{1/2}+1} = 0$   
 has genus  $g = \frac{1}{2}(q^{1/2})(q^{1/2}-1) = \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$ .  
 and has  $N = q^{3/2} + 1 = q + 1 + 2gq^{1/2}$ .

So the bound above is exact.

Proof of  $N = q^{3/2} + 1$  for this curve.

Consider

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{F}_q \\ \downarrow z \\ \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}} \end{array} \quad x \mapsto \bar{x} = x^{q^{1/2}}$$

Then the eqn is  $x\bar{x} + y\bar{y} + z\bar{z} = 0 \quad x, y, z \in \mathbb{F}_q$ .

Hermitian form! Want: how many isotropic vectors?

E.g.: given  $y, z \in \mathbb{F}_q$ , want to solve

$$x\bar{x} = -(\underbrace{y\bar{y} + z\bar{z}}_{\in \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}}}) \quad \text{has (in } x) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ soln. } x=0 \text{ if } y\bar{y} + z\bar{z} = 0 \\ q_0 + 1 \text{ solns if not} \end{array} \right.$$

$$q_0 = q^{1/2}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{F}_q \xrightarrow{N} \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}} \\ x \mapsto x\bar{x} \end{array}$$

$$y\bar{y} + z\bar{z} = 0 \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} y=0=z \\ \text{or} \\ (z \neq 0, q_0 + 1 \text{ solns} \\ (q-1) \text{ in } y. \\ \text{(poss.)}) \end{array} \right.$$

so  $1 + (q_0^2 - 1)(q_0 + 1)$  solns

So solns in  $\mathbb{F}_q^3$  is  $1 + (q_0^2 - 1)(q_0 + 1) + (q_0 + 1)(q_0^4 - 1 - (q_0^2 - 1)(q_0 + 1))$

so  $N = \frac{(\text{this}) - 1}{(q^2 - 1)} = (q_0 + 1)(1 + q_0^2 + 1 - q_0 + 1) = (q_0 + 1)(q_0^2 - q_0 + 1)$

		<u>group acts</u>	
	$g=0, q+1 \text{ pts}, \mathbb{P}^1,$	$PGL_2$	(type $A_1$ )
	$g = \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2}), q^{3/2} + 1,$	Fermat-type curve,	$PU_3$ (type $A_2^2$ ) ( ${}^2A_2$ )
}	$q^2 + 1$	$S_2$	${}^2B_2$
	$q^3 + 1$	$Rec$	${}^2G_2$

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When is the Weil bound attained?

$g$  square.

Then  $N = q + 1 + 2gq^{1/2} \Rightarrow g = ?$

$g = \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$  is a possibility, and is the maximum.

For  $0 \leq g \leq \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$  ?

Examples: 1)  $q=4$ , so  $q^{1/2}=2$

The Fermat curve is  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 0$ , so  $g=1$ , has 9 points

2)  $q=9$ , so  $q^{1/2}=3$ , get  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 = 0$ ,  $g=5$ .

Have curves for  $g=1, q=9$ .

For  $g=2$ , no such curve!

Would give  $N = 1 + 9 + 4 \cdot 3 = 22$ ;

but  $g=2$  is 2-sheeted cov. of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ , and  $\mathbb{P}^1$  has  
 $g=9 \rightarrow 10$  points, so  $N \leq 20$ .

(In fact, correct bd is 20).

$$3) g=16, g^{1/2}=4 \quad x^5+y^5+z^5=0.$$

Weil bound is  $1+16+2g \cdot 4 = 17+8g$

$$g=1 \rightarrow 25 \text{ OK}$$

$$g=2 \rightarrow 33 \text{ OK}$$

} see table

$g=3 \rightarrow 41$  not the bound (bound is 38).

$g=4, 5$  ?

$g=6 \rightarrow$  yes, and the last one.

Suppose  $X$  has Weil upper bound =  $N(X)$  (or Weil lower bound).

And suppose  $\begin{array}{c} X \\ \downarrow \text{non-const. morphism} \\ X' \end{array}$

Then same holds for  $X'$ .

Think of Jac's. In  $X$ , every eigenvalue is  $-g^{1/2}$  or  $g^{1/2}$

and  $J(X') \hookrightarrow J(X)$  so eigenvalues on  $J(X')$  must be a subset of those on  $J(X)$ , but those are all equal!

# Explicit Formulas

Number Fields



and take  $\sum f(\log t)$

And we want a formula:  $\sum f(\log t) = -\sum_{\substack{\tau \text{ zero} \\ \text{of } \zeta_K} \Phi(\tau) + \phi(0) + \phi(1)$

$\Phi$  = Fourier transform of  $f$   
Mellin transform of  $f$

Stark: \* includes  $\log d$ , and choose  $f, \Phi$  well  
Get inequality for  $d \rightarrow$  Stark, Odlyzko, Poitou

## Notations

$X, q, \varphi, \pi_\alpha$  eigenvalues of Frob arranged as  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_g, 1$

$$\pi_\alpha = q^{1/2} e^{i\varphi_\alpha}, \quad 0 \leq \varphi_\alpha \leq \pi$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_n &= \# X(\mathbb{F}_{q^n}) = 1 + q^n - \sum_{\alpha=1}^g (\pi_\alpha^n + \bar{\pi}_\alpha^n) \\ &= 1 + q^n - 2 \sum_{\alpha=1}^g q^{n/2} \cos n\varphi_\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$Z(T)$  = zeta-fct of  $X$

$$= \text{ext} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{N_n T^n}{n} \right\} = \frac{P(T)}{(1-T)(1-qT)}$$

where

$$P(T) = \prod_{\alpha=1}^g (1 - \pi_\alpha T)$$

$$a_1 = N_1 = N$$

Also if  $a_d$  = number of "pts of degree  $d$ " of the scheme  $X$ .

pt of degree  $d$  = orbit of Frob of order  $d$  in  $X(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

$$\text{Have } N_n = \sum_{d|n} d a_d \quad (\text{clear!})$$

$$\text{And } Z(T) = \prod_{\substack{P \in X \\ \text{closed pt}}} \frac{1}{1 - T^{\deg P}}$$

$$= \prod_{d \geq 1} \frac{1}{(1 - T^d)^{a_d}}$$

Let  $f(\theta)$  be a trigonometric polynomial of the form

$$f(\theta) = 1 + 2 \sum_{n \geq 1} c_n \cos n\theta \quad (\text{finite sum}).$$

$$= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n e^{in\theta} \quad (c_0 = 1, c_{-n} = c_n).$$

To  $f$  I attach polynomials in  $t$ :

$$\Psi_d(t) = \sum_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ d|n}} c_n t^n$$

"Explicit formula"

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} f(\Psi_{\alpha}) + \sum_{d \geq 1} da_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) = g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$$

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} f(\Psi_{\alpha}) = g + 2 \sum_{n, \alpha} c_n \cos n \Psi_{\alpha}$$

$$= g + 2 \sum_n c_n \sum_{\alpha} \cos n \Psi_{\alpha}$$

$$N_n = q^{n+1} - q^{-n/2} \sum 2$$

$$\text{so } \sum 2 \cos n \Psi_{\alpha} = \frac{q^{n+1}}{q}$$

$$= g + \sum_{n \geq 1} c_n (q^{1/2} + q^{-1/2} - q^{-n/2} N_n)$$

Need only show that

$$\sum da_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \stackrel{?}{=} \sum c_n q^{-n/2} N_n$$

$$\sum da_d \sum_{d|n} c_n q^{-n/2} \stackrel{?}{=} \sum c_n q^{-n/2} \sum_{d|n} da_d$$

so OK.  $\square$



Examples:

$$i) f=1 : c_n=0 \quad n \geq 1, \quad \psi_d=0$$

$$\text{Get } g=q.$$

$$ii) f=1+\cos\theta \quad c_1=\frac{1}{2}, \quad c_n=0 \quad n \geq 2.$$

$$\psi_1=\psi=\frac{1}{2}t$$

$$\psi_n=0 \quad n \geq 2$$

Then:

$$f + \sum_a \cos \psi_a + N \frac{1}{2} q^{-1/2} = f + \frac{1}{2} q^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{2} q^{1/2}$$

$\times 2q^{1/2}$ :

$$q^{1/2} \sum_a 2 \cos \psi_a + N = 1 + q$$

$$\text{so } \boxed{N = q + 1 - q^{1/2} \sum_a 2 \cos \psi_a}$$

is Weil's formula.

Assumptions : (1)  $f(\theta) \geq 0$  for all  $\theta$   
 (2)  $c_n \geq 0$  for all  $n$

Abbreviate: " $f$  is doubly positive",  $f \gg 0$ .

Examples:  $f=1, f=1+\cos\theta$

Now if  $f \gg 0$ ,

$$\sum_{\geq 0} f(\Psi_a) + \sum_{d \geq 1} d a_d \underbrace{\Psi_d}_{\geq 0}(\ )$$

So in that case one gets

$$\sum_{d \geq 1} d a_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$$

5) Taking only  $d=1$  ( $a_1=N$ ), get  $N \Psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$

so 
$$N-1 \leq \frac{g + \Psi(q^{1/2})}{\Psi(q^{-1/2})}$$

Now: we want to choose  $f$  so that this is optimal.

Also get

$$g \geq (N-1) \Psi(q^{-1/2}) - \Psi(q^{1/2})$$

One can then do:

① determine (for a given  $N, q$ ), the "best" bound on  $g$ .

Solved by Oesterlé (at least for  $q \geq 3$ )

- ② Asymptotic results as  $g \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $q$  fixed.  
 ③ Nice special cases (Suzuki & Rao curves)  
 ④ Numerical bounds, say, for  $q=2$ .

For  $N=q+1$ ,  $N=q^{3/2}+1$  we know

$$N=q+1 \quad g=0$$

$$N=q^{3/2}+1 \quad g = \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2}) \text{ } \neq \text{ a square}$$

For  $N=q^2+1$

$$\text{Choose } f = 1 + \sqrt{2} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{2} \cos \theta)^2$$

Then  $f \gg 0$ .

$$\text{Then } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Psi(t) = \frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{2}t + \frac{1}{2}t^2) \\ \Psi_2(t) = \frac{1}{4}t^2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$N-1 = q^2$$

$$\text{Find } g \geq \left[ q^2 \left( \sqrt{2}q^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{2}q \right) - \left( \sqrt{2}q^{1/2} + \frac{1}{2}q \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\text{so } \boxed{g \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} (q^{3/2} - q^{1/2})}$$

Is there such a curve?

$$q \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} (q^{3/2} - q^{1/2}) = \frac{(2q)^{1/2}}{2} (q - 1) \Rightarrow q = 2^{2f+1}$$

$\Rightarrow 2q = \text{square}$

$\leftrightarrow$  Suzuki groups?

Deligne-Lusztig varieties connected to semi-simple groups over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  and their twisted forms.

$S_2 \leftrightarrow$  "  $B_2$  " - groups

Take, say,  $SL_n$  and Frobenius  $x \mapsto x^q$

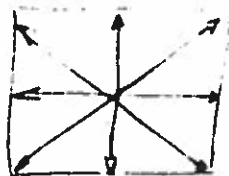
fixed pts give  $SL_n(\mathbb{F}_q)$

Now use  $x \mapsto \sigma(x^q)$   $\sigma$  some outer autom. of the group.

If  $\sigma$  is  $u \mapsto {}^t u$ , get a different group.

char=2,  $B_2$  has such a "bad" autom. (not algebraic)

Root system is



(See Tits in Sem. Bourbaki)

Suzuki grps are grps acting on  $q^2 + 1$  elements,  $q = 2^{2f+1}$   
 Simple if  $f \geq 1$ . Called ~~Suzuki~~  $Sz(q)$ .

$$Sz(2) = C_4 \cdot C_5$$

$Sz(3)$  is simple.

Deligne & Lusztig

Affine curve with no rat'l pt w/ action of  $Sz(q)$ .

Pts at  $\infty$  are  $q^2 + 1$  and give the original representation of  $Sz(q)$

Lusztig in Inventiones: general as given, etc.

Next case:  $q^3 + 1$

$$f = \cos^2 \varphi \left(1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \cos \varphi\right)^2 \quad q = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} (q^{5/2} - q^{3/2}) + \frac{1}{2} (q^2 - 1)$$

$q$  integer, = that  $\Rightarrow q = 3^{2f+1}$

Have Ree groups.

We had:

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$$X \text{ curve } / \mathbb{F}_q, \quad \pi_\alpha = q^{1/2} e^{i\varphi_\alpha}$$

genus  $g$

$$f(\theta) = 1 + \sum_{n \geq 1} 2c_n \cos n\theta \quad (\text{finite sum})$$

$$\Psi_d(t) = \sum_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ n \equiv 0 \pmod{d}}} c_n t^n, \quad \Psi = \Psi_1$$

Then

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^g f(\varphi_\alpha) + \sum_{d \geq 1} d a_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) = g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$$

$a_d = \#$  closed pts. of degree  $d$

$$N_n = \sum_{d|n} d a_d \quad N_1 = N = a_1$$

df  $f \gg 0$  (i.e.,  $f(\theta) \geq 0$  for all  $\theta$  and  $c_n \geq 0$  for all  $n$ ):

then

$$\boxed{\sum d a_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})}$$

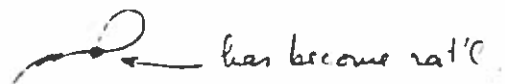
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{(N-1) \Psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq g + \Psi(q^{1/2})}$$

(Today: let  $g \rightarrow \infty$ )

Remark: We proved these inequalities for  $X$  projective nonsingular.  
For  $X$  singular, the bound as stated doesn't work.

$x = \text{pt of deg } 2$

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So should replace  $g$  by sth which "sees" the topology.

$X$  (singular) projective, abs. irred., let  $B = 1^{\text{st}}$  Betti number (for l-adic cohomology, for instance).

Thm:  $(N-1)\Psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq B/2 + \Psi(q^{1/2})$

Define the "arithmetic genus"  $p_a(X) = \dim H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$

Known:  $B/2 \leq p_a(X)$ .

So we get  $(N-1)\Psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq p_a(X) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$ .

Eg:  $X \subset \mathbb{P}^2$  plane curve, abs. irred., of degree  $n$ .

Then  $p_a(X) = \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(n-2)$

Pf (originally was given in terms of  $N_n = \dots$ )

Claim:  $N_n = 1 + q^n - \sum_{i=1}^B \alpha_i^n$   $|\alpha_i| = 1$  or  $q^{1/2}$

h. Deligne: Still the Lefschetz formula, except for the wrong size of eigenvalues!

Or: from Weil.  $\square$

Take  $N_n - 1 = q^n - \sum_{i=1}^B \alpha_i^n \geq N - 1$

$$\sum_n c_n q^{-n/2} (N_n - 1) = \sum_n c_n q^{n/2} - \sum_{i, \alpha} c_n q^{-n/2} \alpha_i^n$$

So  $(N-1)\Psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq \Psi(q^{1/2}) - \sum_{i=1}^B c_n q^{-n/2} \alpha_i^n$

To be proved:  $-\sum_{i=1}^B c_n q^{-n/2} \alpha_i^n \leq \frac{B}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}\left(-\sum_{i=1}^B c_n q^{-n/2} \alpha_i^n\right) \leq \frac{B}{2}$

Since the LHS is real anyway

Consider  $\frac{1}{2} + \Psi(t) = F(t)$  polynomial in  $t$

df  $t = e^{i\psi}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(F(e^{i\psi})) = \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^B c_n e^{in\psi}\right) = \frac{1}{2} f(\psi) \geq 0$

So:  $\operatorname{Re}(F(t)) \geq 0$  for all  $t$  with  $|t|=1$

$\Downarrow$  ex analysis

$\operatorname{Re}(F(t)) \geq 0$  for all  $t$  with  $|t| \leq 1$ .

(apply max princif to  $\exp(F(t))$ .  
Get  $|\exp(-F(t))| \leq 1$   
for  $|t|=1$ , hence for  $|t| \leq 1$ .)

Now

$\operatorname{Re}\left(-\sum_{i=1}^B c_n q^{-n/2} \alpha_i^n\right) = \sum_i \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{2} - F(q^{-1/2} \alpha_i)\right)$

and  $|q^{-1/2} \alpha_i| \leq 1$

$\leq \sum_{i=1}^B \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{B}{2}$

no QED.  $\square$



One can do similar things for higher dim'l varieties, in odd dimension.

Example:  $X$  Proj non-sing variety, dim 3, abs. irred.  
 Assume:  $B_1=0, B_2=1, B_3$  "large"  
 (e.g., any complete intersection)

If  $X$  has  $N$  points, one can prove

$$\frac{B_3}{2} \geq N\psi(q^{-3/2}) - (\psi(q^{-3/2}) + \psi(q^{-1/2}) + \psi(q^{1/2}) + \psi(q^{3/2}))$$

(Exercise) (use Deligne - for large  $N$  this gives better bounds)

Now:  $q$  fixed,  $g \rightarrow \infty$

we have:

let  $k \geq 1$  be a fixed integer.

let  $X^\lambda$  be curves of genus  $g_\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$a_d(X^\lambda) =: a_d^\lambda$$

Theorem:  $\limsup_{g_\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{g_\lambda} \sum_{d=1}^k \frac{d a_d^\lambda}{q^{d/2} - 1} \leq 1.$

Corollary: For  $k=1$ ,  $a_1^\lambda = N^\lambda = \# X^\lambda(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , and we have

$$\limsup_{g_\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N^\lambda}{g_\lambda} \leq q^{1/2} - 1.$$

(Thm. of Drinfeld-Vladut).

Weil gives  $N^2 \leq 1 + q + 2g^2 q^{1/2}$

so  $\frac{N^2}{g^2} \leq 2q^{1/2} + o(1)$

If  $q=2$ , Weil  $2q^{1/2} = 2.828$ ,  $[2q^{1/2}] = 2$ , But  $q^{1/2} - 1 = 0.414$ .

Proof of Theorem:

We have  $\sum_{d=1}^k da_d^2 \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq q^2 + \gamma(q^{1/2}) + \gamma(q^{-1/2})$

$$\frac{1}{g^2} \sum_{d=1}^k da_d^2 \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq 1 + \frac{1}{g^2} ( \quad )$$

$g^2 \rightarrow \infty$  :  $\limsup \frac{1}{g^2} \sum_{d=1}^k da_d^2 \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq 1$

true for every  $\Psi_d$  coming from an  $f^2 > 0$ .

Lemma: ① If  $f >> 0$ ,  $f = 1 + \sum 2c_n \cos n\theta$ , then  $c_n \leq 1$ .  
 ② For any  $P$ , any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists f$  s.t.  $c_n \geq 1 - \epsilon$  for all  $n=1, \dots, P$ .  
 (So can get  $f$  like  $1 + 2\cos\theta + 2\cos 2\theta + \dots = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{in\theta} =$  Dirac measure sure at 0 on the circle)

If  $c_n = 1$  for all  $n$ , then OK, because  $\Psi_d(t) = t^d + t^{2d} + \dots = \frac{t^d}{t^d - 1} = \frac{1}{t^{-d} - 1}$

and  $\Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) = \frac{1}{q^{-d/2} - 1}$ , which gives the theorem.

Then we need only do a convergence argument using the lemma.  $\square$

Pf of Lemma :

$$\textcircled{1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \cos n\theta \, d\theta \\ \text{and} \\ 1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \, d\theta \end{array} \right.$$

and since  $|\cos n\theta| \leq 1$  we get

$$c_n = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \cos n\theta \, d\theta \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(\theta)| |\cos n\theta| \, d\theta \leq 1$$

② Given  $P, \epsilon$

$P$  integer  $\geq 1$ , let  $t = e^{i\theta}$

Write  $f_P = \frac{1}{2P+1} (t^{-P} + t^{-P+1} + \dots + 1 + \dots + t^P)^2$

$$f_P(\theta) = \frac{1}{2P+1} (1 + 2\cos\theta + \dots + 2\cos P\theta)^2$$

$$f_P = \frac{1}{2P+1} (t^{-2P} + 2t^{-2P+1} + \dots + (2P+1) \cdot 1 + 2Pt + \dots + t^{2P})$$

$$\text{So } c_n(f_P) = \frac{2P - n + 1}{2P + 1}$$

for fixed  $n$ ,  $P \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $c_n \rightarrow 1$ .  $\square$

Ihara's tower theorem

$X$  as usual /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $g$

$S =$  finite non-empty set of closed points of  $X$

Assumption: There exists a sequence  $X^\lambda \rightarrow X$  of <sup>unramified</sup> finite coverings of  $X$  in which every element of  $S$  splits completely and  $\deg(X^\lambda \rightarrow X) \rightarrow \infty$ .

Then:

$$\sum_{P \in S} \frac{\deg P}{q^{\deg(P)/2} - 1} \leq g - 1$$

Special case: If all points in  $S$  are rat'l (deg = 1) we get

$$|S| \leq (g-1)(q^{1/2} - 1)$$

If  $X = \mathbb{P}^1$ ,  $S = \emptyset$ ,  $X^\lambda = X/\mathbb{F}_{q^2}$  constant field extn.  
 then  $\sum = 0 \leq 0 - 1$  is false.  
 So  $S \neq \emptyset$  is necessary.

Proof: 1st case: the field of constants of the  $X^\lambda$  is just  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

If  $n^\lambda = [X^\lambda : X] =$  degree of covering, then  $q^{\lambda/2} - 1 = n^\lambda (q - 1)$   
 (Cover is unramified!)

$$q_d^\lambda \geq n^\lambda a_d(S)$$

$$a_d(S) = \# \text{ of } P \in S \text{ of degree } d.$$



Get 
$$\sum_{P \in S} \frac{\deg(P)/d}{(q^d)^{\frac{\deg(P)}{2d}} - 1} \leq q^{-1}$$
 which is the fla we want. ▣

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Let  $A(q) =: \limsup_{g \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_g(q)}{g}$

Drinfeld-Vladut Thm  $\implies \boxed{A(q) \leq q^{1/2} - 1}$

Theorem (Ihara, Zink)

If  $q$  is a square, then  $A(q) \geq q^{1/2} - 1$ .

Corollary: If  $q$  is a square,  $A(q) = q^{1/2} - 1$ .

$A(q)$  is not known for other  $q$ .

Known:  $A(q) > 0$ ;  $A(q) > c \log q$  (some  $c > 0$ ) [Use Golod-Shafarevich] → next

For  $q=2$ :

$$\begin{cases} A(2) \leq 0.414\dots & (= \sqrt{2} - 1) & \text{(D-V)} \\ A(2) \geq 0.205\dots & (= \frac{8}{39}) \end{cases}$$

Proof when  $q = p^2$ : Use modular curves  $X_0(N)$ , etc.

(For  $q = p^{2e}$ ,  $e \geq 2$ , use Shimura curves)

$\Gamma_0(N)$ ,  $X_0(N)$  mod. curve

Choose  $N = l$  prime.  $l \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$   $l \neq p$ .

Let  $X = X_0(\ell)$ , genus  $g = \frac{\ell+1}{12}$ .

Supersingular points are rat'l /  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$ , and their number  $N^{ss}$  is given by

$X_0(\ell)$



$\mathbb{P}^2$

(param. by  $j$ )

$$N^{ss} = \frac{p-1}{12} (\ell+1)$$

ss.  $j$ 's

$$\text{so } \frac{N}{g} \geq \frac{N^{ss}}{g} = p-1 = g^{1/2} - 1$$

Now take  $\ell \rightarrow \infty$ , and the bound is obtained.  $\square$

$$A(q) = \limsup_{g \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_g(q)}{g}$$

Have seen: 1)  $A(q) \leq q^{1/2} - 1$  (Drinfeld - Vladut)

Now 2)  $\forall q$  is a square,  $A(q) = q^{1/2} - 1$ .

For  $q = p^2$ , modular curves  $\rightarrow$  enough s.s. points.

$\Gamma \subset G \subset GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z})$ ,  $\ell$  prime,  $\ell \geq 3$   
 $\Gamma$  subgp

Then the modular curve w.r. to  $G$ , affine, but add pts at  $\infty$ . Corresponds to moduli problem:

$E$  ell. curve + "G-structure on its  $\ell$ -div. pts"

G-structure: a family  $E \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}$   
of

s.t. 1)  $\Psi, \Psi' \in \text{family} \Rightarrow \Psi' = s\Psi$  for some  $s \in \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}$

2)  $\Psi' \in \text{family}, v \in G \Rightarrow s\Psi' \in \text{family}$ .

$X_G$  is the moduli space (compactified).

Can view in terms of  $X_k = \text{mod. curve of level } k \text{ w.r. to } G = \{\pm 1\}$

$X_k$   
|



$$GL_2 / \{\pm 1\} \xrightarrow{\det} \mathbb{F}_c^\times$$

gives an extension

$$\begin{array}{c} X_G \text{ (abs. inv. here)} \\ | \\ \mathbb{Q} \text{ --- } \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{c}) \end{array}$$

then:  $X_G = X_c/G$

if  $G \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_c^\times$ , then  $X_G$  is defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

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Assume  $G = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_c^\times$

so  $\det G = \begin{cases} \mathbb{F}_c^\times \\ \text{or} \\ (\mathbb{F}_c^\times)^2 \end{cases}$

So ground field is either  $\mathbb{Q}$  or  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{\pm c})$ ,  $\pm c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

Can do this over any  $\mathbb{Q}$ , char  $k \neq 2$  (for char = 2, Katz Matrix).

In char  $p$ ,  $p \neq 2$ ,  $X_G$  is defined <sup>over</sup> either  $\mathbb{F}_p$  or  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ .

Theorem: Every ss. point  $((E, \psi), E \text{ s.s.})$  is rational over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  (over  $X_G$ ).

Pf:  $E^{ss}$  can be written on  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$ , its Frob. being  $-p$   
 So  $-p \in G$  by our assumption, and Frob. stabilizes  $(E, \varphi)$ .  $\square$

a)  $\Gamma_0(l)$ -curve:  $G = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix}$  gives our result above.

b) interesting case:  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{F}_l^\times \right\}$   $X_G = X(l)$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{genus of } X(l): \quad 2g - 2 = \frac{1}{12} (l^2 - 1)(l - 6) \\ \# \text{ s.s. points: } / \mathbb{F}_p \quad N^{ss} = \frac{(p-1)(g-1)}{1 - \frac{6}{l}} \end{array} \right.$$

For low values:

$l=7$  Klein curve  $PSL_2(\mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z})$  acts on  $X(l)$

$$|PSL_2(\mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z})| = 168$$

$$g=3, \quad N^{ss} = 14(p-1)$$

( $PGL_2(\ )$  acts on  $X$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $PSL_2$  on curve over  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$ )

Example :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \beta=2, & N^{ss} = 14 \quad (\text{over } \mathbb{F}_4) \\ \beta=3, & N^{ss} = 28 \quad / \mathbb{F}_7 \\ \beta=5, & N^{ss} = 56 \quad / \mathbb{F}_{25} \end{array} \right.$$

Weil bound is  $1 + p^2 + 6p = \text{resp, } 17, 28, 56$

( $2g\sqrt{p^2} = 6p$ .)

→ for  $p=3,5$ , no ratle curves, etc.

Case prove: best for  $p=2$  also.

∴ Klein curve gives us the best for  $g=4, 9, 25$  (also 8,  
need: curves  
are rational)

alternate approach

$$\text{Jac}(X(7)) = E \times \bar{E} \times E$$

$E$  has CM by  $\mathbb{Z} \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2} \right]$   
unique such def /  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  
good red. outside 7,  
groscharacter

for  $p$  inert:  $\left( \frac{p}{7} \right) = -1 \Rightarrow$  eigen. of  $F_v / \mathbb{F}_p$  in  $E$  is  $\pm \sqrt{-p}$   
 $\Rightarrow / \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  it is  $-p$  (twice).

So on  $\text{Jac}(X(7))$ , get  $-p$  (six times), so get the  
Weil bound for  $p$  inert.

$$l=11, g=26, N^{SS} = 55(p-1)$$

$p=2$  :  $/\mathbb{F}_4$ ,  $N^{SS} = 55$  which is best possible (exp. fl.)

$p=3$  :  $/\mathbb{F}_9$ ,  $N^{SS} = 110$  (?) (exp. fl. gives  $\leq 111$ ).  
= #  $X(11)(\mathbb{F}_9)$

The Jac(X(11)) is isogenous to the product of 11 times  $E_1$ , 10 times  $E_2$ , 5 times  $E_3$ ,  $E_i$  ell curves

$E_1$	ell. curve cond 11	Aut. $\overline{\mathbb{F}_3}$ 11
$E_2$	" " cond $11^2$ , no CM	121 <sub>F</sub>
$E_3$	" " cond $11^2$ , CM	121 <sub>D</sub>

Studied by Ligozat (Mod. Fcts V or VI)

So can check that the  $N^{S^3} = N$  (Aut. IV gives eigenvalues of Frob. on these curves).

### Theorem (Golod-Safarevič)

Then on Artin local rings:

- $R$  ring,  $I$  two-sided ideal,  $R/I = k$  comm. field.
- Every  $r \in R, r \notin I$  is invertible (i.e.,  $R$  is local w/ max ideal  $I$ ).
- $R$  is "Artin"  $\iff \begin{cases} I^n = 0 \text{ for large } n \\ \text{and} \\ I^u/I^{u+1} \text{ is a finite dim'd } k\text{-vector space} \\ \text{(for } u=0,1,\dots) \end{cases}$

(Example:  $G$  finite l-group,  $R = \mathbb{F}_\ell[G]$ ,  $I = \Delta(G)$ ,  $k = \mathbb{F}_\ell$ .)

Take  $M = \text{f.g. } R\text{-module (left)}$ .

Then  $M/I^u M$  is a  $k$ -vector space of finite dim.

$$d(M) = \dim_k (M/I^u M) = \text{min no. of generators of } M$$

(If  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in M$  give a basis for  $M/IM$ , NAK  $\Rightarrow$  they generate

$$M \quad d = d_0(M)$$

Choose  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in M$  generating  $M$ . This gives

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow R^d \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{"} \\ \text{kernel} = \text{module of relations between the } x_i \\ M_1 \subset IR^d \end{array} \right\}$

Up to isom.,  $M_1$  depends only on  $M$ . Define

$$d_1(M) := d_0(M_1) = \text{"number of relations between } x_i \text{"}$$

Also: exact seq. gives:

$\otimes k$

$$0 = \text{Tor}_1(R^d, k) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1(M, k) \rightarrow M_1/IM_1 \rightarrow R_0/IR_0 \xrightarrow{\cong} M/IM \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{So find } \text{Tor}_1(M, k) \cong M_1/IM_1,$$

$$\text{so } d_1(M) = \dim_k \text{Tor}_1(M, k)$$

$$d_i(M) = d_0(M_i) \quad M_i = i^{\text{th}} \text{ term of a minimal resolution}$$

$$\cong \dim_k \text{Tor}_i(M, k).$$

Take  $M=k$ :  $d_0(k)=1$

$$0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow R \rightarrow k \rightarrow 0$$

So  $M_1 = I$  ;  $d_1(k) = \dim_k (I/I^2) = \textcircled{d}$

$d_2(k) = \textcircled{r}$  by defn.

Theorem (Golod-Safarevič, refined by Vinberg and Gorchente)

Assume  $d \geq 1$ , i.e., that  $I \neq 0$ , i.e., that  $R$  is not a field. Then

$$r > \frac{d^2}{4}$$

[One has examples of  $r \sim \frac{d^2}{3}$  or  $\frac{3d^2}{8}$ ;  $\frac{d^2}{2}$  is easy; Best is unknown]

[Example: if  $R = \mathbb{Z}/\ell^2\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $k = \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}$ , yet  $M_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}$ , to all  $d$ ]

Pf: Have  $0 \rightarrow J \rightarrow R^d \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$

$$R^2 \rightarrow J \rightarrow 0$$

So get  $K^2 \xrightarrow{\epsilon} R^d \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$

$$\epsilon(R^2) \subset IR^d$$

Tensor w/  $R/I^n R$ :

since  $R^d/IR^d \cong I/I^2$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} R^2/I^n R^2 & \rightarrow & R^d/I^n R^d & \rightarrow & I/I^{n+1} \rightarrow 0 \\ & \searrow & \nearrow & & \\ & R^2/I^{n+1} R^2 & & & \end{array}$$

$\therefore \epsilon(I^{n+1} R^2) \subset I^n R^d$

$$\text{So } \frac{R^2}{I^{n-1}R^2} \rightarrow \frac{R^d}{I^n R^d} \rightarrow \frac{I}{I^{n+1}} \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \geq 1)$$

$$\text{Define } a(n) = \ell\left(\frac{R}{I^n R}\right) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \dim_k\left(\frac{I^i}{I^{i+1}}\right)$$

$$a(0) = 0$$

$$a(1) = 1$$

$$a(2) = 1 + d$$

$$\frac{R}{I^2} : \frac{R}{I}, \frac{I^2}{I}$$

$$\vdots$$

$a(n)$  ultimately constant.

Now exact seq. above gives:

$$da(n) \leq na(n-1) + \underbrace{a(n+1) - 1}_{\ell(I/I^n)} \quad n \geq 1$$

Claim: this implies  $e > \frac{d^2}{4}$ .

For this introduce  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(n)t^n = t + (1+d)t^2 + \dots = tf(t)$

$$\text{so } \underbrace{f(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(n+1)t^n}$$

multiply ineq by  $t^n$  and add:

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} d a(n) t^n < r \sum_{n \geq 1} a(n-1) t^n + \sum_{n \geq 1} a(n+1) t^n - \sum_{n \geq 1} t^n$$

$$d f(t) t < r t^2 f(t) + f(t) - 1 - \sum_{n \geq 1} t^n$$

$$\text{so } d f(t) t < r t^2 f(t) + f(t) - \frac{1}{1-t}$$

$$\text{so } f(t) (r t^2 - d t + 1) > \frac{1}{1-t}$$

Assume  $r \leq \frac{d^2}{4}$ ; then  $r t^2 - d t + 1 = (1 - \lambda t)(1 - \mu t)$   $\lambda \mu >$

Now,  $\frac{1}{1 - \lambda t}$  has pos. coeffs.

$\lambda$  &  $\mu$  can't both be zero, since  $d \neq 0$ .

Multiply!

$$f(t) > \frac{1}{(1-t)(1-\lambda t)(1-\mu t)}$$

and either  $\lambda$  or  $\mu$  is  $\geq 1$ :  
 $\lambda + \mu = d \geq 1$   
 $\lambda \mu = r$

But the coeffs of  $f(t)$  are bounded, since the  $a(n)$  are.

So it's enough to show the coeffs of RHS are not bded.

$$\text{RHS} > \frac{1}{(1-t)^2} \text{ coeffs not bded. } \square$$



$G$  finite  $\ell$ -group,  $R = \mathbb{F}_\ell[G]$ ,  $I = \Delta(G)$

Why is  $I = \text{radical of } G$ ?

Up to isom., any  $\ell$ -group has only one irred. repres. in  $d$  namely the trivial repres.  
(any non-triv. repres. has a fixed vector then radical =  $\cap \ker \text{repres} = I$ .)

$$d = \dim \text{Tor}_1^R(k, k) = \dim H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z})$$

$$r = \dim \text{Tor}_2^R(k, k) = \dim H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z})$$

$$\text{dual of } H_i = H^i$$

$$\text{so } \begin{cases} d = \dim H^1(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \\ r = \dim H^2(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \end{cases}$$

And:  $d = \text{min. no. of generators of } G$

assume  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in G$  generate  $G$ ;  
then  $r = \text{min. nber of rels between } x\text{'s which define } G \text{ as an } \ell\text{-group. (or pro-}\ell\text{-group)}$

Theorem (Golod-Shaf.) If  $G$  is a finite non-triv.  $\ell$ -group then  $d$  and  $r$  as above satisfy  $r > d^2/4$ .

$d=1$ ,  $r > \frac{1}{4}$  i.e.,  $r \geq 1$ ;  $x$  gen.,  $x^\ell = 1$  cyclic order  $\ell$  (sh)

$d=2$ ,  $r > \frac{4}{4}$  i.e.,  $r \geq 2$ ;  $x, y$  gen.,  $yx y^{-1} = x^{1+\ell}$ ,  $xyx^{-1} = y^{1+\ell}$   
(order is  $\ell^3$ )

Define  $z = xyx^{-1}y^{-1} = y^\ell = x^{-\ell}$ , so  $z \in Z(G)$

so  $x^{\ell^2} = 1$  so  $z^\ell = 1$ . So order  $\ell^3$ .

$x^\ell y^{-1} = x^{\ell+\ell^2}$   
" since  $x^\ell = y^{-1}$

$d=3, r > \frac{9}{4}$  i.e.,  $r \geq 3$  (l odd): 3 gen.  $z, y, x$

$$\begin{cases} yxy^{-1} = x^{1+l} \\ zyz^{-1} = y^{1+l} \\ xzx^{-1} = z^{1+l} \end{cases}$$

Mennicke  $\rightarrow$  finite group.  $d=$

$d=4, r > \frac{16}{4}$  i.e.,  $r \geq 5 \rightarrow$  is  $d=4, r=5$  possible!

(think:  $d=4, r=6$  is.)

$x_1, \dots, x_d$  with  $(x_i, x_j) = 1, x_i^l = 1$  give  $\frac{d(d-1)}{2} + d$  rels

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Class Field Towers

$C$  curve, genus  $g$ , over  $\mathbb{F}_q, p = \text{char.}$

$K$  its function field.

$l$  a prime number ( $l \neq p$  in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ )

$S$  finite non-empty set of "primes" of  $K$  i.e., of closed points of  $C$ .

look at  $K_1 = \text{max. abelian } l\text{-extension of } K, \text{ (group is a } \text{unramified (everywhere) in which the elements of } S \text{ split completely}$

Cond. on  $S$  makes it finite (otherwise if  $S = \emptyset$ , have the count field extn.)

If  $l$  divides the  $\deg(P)$  for every  $P \in S$ , then  $K_1$  conta  $\mathbb{F}_q \cdot K$ . If not, it does not.



Define  $K_2 = (K_1)_S$  with respect to  $S_1 =$  inverse image of  $S$ .

So have  $K \subset K_1 \subset K_2 \subset \dots \subset K_\infty = \bigcup_n K_n$

$K_\infty = \max.$  <sup>Galois</sup> extensions of  $K$  where  $S$  splits completely, whose Galois group is pro- $l$ , and unramified.

Question: Is  $K_\infty/K$  finite?

Let  $G_S = \text{Gal}(K_\infty/K) = \varprojlim \text{Gal}(K_n/K)$

Assume  $G_S$  is finite; it is an  $l$ -group. Then we have

$$d = \dim H_1(G_S, \mathbb{Z}/l\mathbb{Z}) \quad (\text{min. nber of generators})$$

$$r = \dim H_2(G_S, \mathbb{Z}/l\mathbb{Z}) \quad (\text{min. nber of "relations" (as } l\text{-group.)})$$

Theorem: Assume  $G_S$  is finite (i.e., the tower stops). Then

$$r - d \leq \begin{cases} |S| - 1 & \text{if } l \nmid q-1 \\ |S| & \text{if } l \mid q-1. \end{cases}$$

(We know:  $r > \frac{d^2}{4}$  if  $d \geq 1$  Golod-Shaf. which will give a contradiction for suitable  $S$ .)

Proof (Same as Iwasawa's in No. field case):

First: Using class field theory to find  $\text{Gal}(K_1/K)$ :

$C_K =$  idèle class group

Have

$$1 \rightarrow E_S \rightarrow \prod_{P \in S} K_P^* \times \prod_{v \notin S} U_v \rightarrow C_K \xrightarrow{\text{quotient}} Ab_S \rightarrow 1$$

$E_S = S$ -units (= unit outside  $S$ )

Then  $\text{Gal}(K_1/K) = (Ab_S)_\ell$  ( $\ell$ -part)

Next: Now:  $K_\infty/K$  finite, so  $(K_\infty)_S = K_\infty$

Write seq. for  $K_\infty$ :

$$1 \rightarrow E_{S_\infty} \rightarrow \prod_{\tilde{P} \in S_\infty} K_{\infty, \tilde{P}}^* \times \prod_{\tilde{v} \notin S_\infty} U_{\tilde{v}} \rightarrow C_{K_\infty} \rightarrow Ab_\infty$$

"   
  $S_\infty$ -units of  $K_\infty$

$$(K_\infty)_\ell = K_\infty \iff (Ab_\infty)_\ell = \{1\}$$

Let  $G = G_S$ ;  $G$  acts on everything.

- $Ab_\infty$  has trivial cohomology (order prime to  $\ell$ ,  $G$   $\ell$ -group)



know  $E_S \cong \mathbb{Z}^{|S|-1} \times \mathbb{F}_q^*$

We want a quotient of  $E_S / \text{Normal}$  which is an  $\ell$ -group

So

$$\text{rk}_\ell(\hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z})) \leq \begin{cases} |S|-1 & \text{if } \ell \nmid (q-1) \\ |S| & \text{if } \ell \mid (q-1) \end{cases}$$

It remains to show:  $\text{rk}_\ell(\hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z})) = 2-d$

$$\hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z}) = H_2(G, \mathbb{Z})$$

[ Group of coeffs  $A$ , trivial action ]

$$H_q(G, A) = H_q(G, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes A \oplus \text{Tor}_1(H_{q-1}(G, \mathbb{Z}), A)$$

$$q=2, A = \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) &= H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z} \oplus \text{Tor}_1(H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}), \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \\ &= H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) / \ell H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \oplus \ell\text{-part of } H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}) \end{aligned}$$

So take ranks:  $r = \text{rk}_\ell(H_2(G, \mathbb{Z})) + d$

Since:  $H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) = H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}) / \ell H_1(G, \mathbb{Z})$  since  $H_0$  is free

So  $\text{rk}_\ell \hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z}) = 2-d$  ]

Or: Look at

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\ell} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

$$a \quad H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\ell} H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_1(\quad) \xrightarrow{\ell} H_1(\quad)$$

$$\text{So } 0 \rightarrow H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) / \ell H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \text{Ker}(\ell \text{ in } H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}))$$

So dimensions add. So QED!  $\square$

Theorem: The  $(S-\ell)$  class field tower of  $K$  is infinite if  $|S| \geq \frac{d^2}{4} - d + \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \ell \mid (g-1) \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$ , and  $d \geq 2$ .

Pf: Otherwise

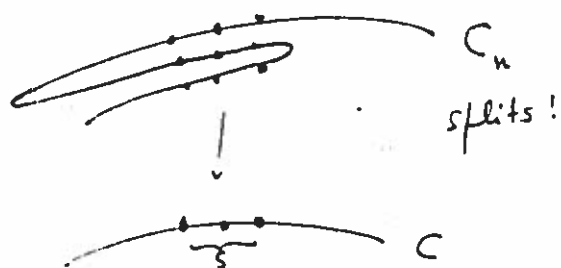
$$r - d \leq \begin{cases} |S| - 1 \\ |S| \end{cases}$$

$$r > \frac{d^2}{4} \quad \text{if } d \geq 1$$

And of course  $d=1$  doesn't work (get  $|S| \leq \frac{1}{4}$ )  $\square$

Suppose that all elements in  $S$  have degree 1, i.e.,  $S$  is made up of rational points, and assume that the corresp. class field tower is infinite.

Then  $A(g) \geq \frac{|S|}{g-1}$ , where  $A(g) = \limsup_{g \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_g(g)}{g}$   
 $g = \text{genus of } C$ .



So nber of rat'l pts of  $C_n \geq [C_n : C]$   
 genus of  $C_n = g_{C_n}$ ;  $g_{C_n}^{-1} = [C_n : C]$

Notice that  $g_c \geq 2$  (For  $g_c = 0$ , no unr. coverings;  
 for  $g_c = 1$ , covering would have  $g_{C_n} = 1$   
 and nber pts  $\rightarrow \infty$ !)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \frac{N_q(g_n)}{g_n} &\geq |S| \frac{[C_n : C]}{1 + [C_n : C](g_c - 1)} \\ &\geq |S| \frac{1}{\frac{1}{[C_n : C]} + g_c - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$n \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{A(q) \geq \frac{|S|}{g_c - 1}}$$

Corollary: If  $(S, C)$  satisfy  $|S| \leq \frac{d^2}{4} - d + \{c\}$ ,  $d \geq 2$ ,  
 then  $A(q) \geq \frac{|S|}{g_c - 1}$

(and in particular  $A(q) > 0$ ).



- For every  $g$ , we want to find  $K, S, \ell$  satisfying
 
$$(*) : |S| \leq \frac{d^2}{4} - d + \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \ell | g \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}, \quad d \geq 2.$$

We'll want to take  $|S|=1$ ,  $d \geq 5$ .

We'll choose  $\ell=2$  (So for  $g$  odd, enough to find  $d \geq 4$ ).

Construction (char =  $p \neq 2$ )

Choose  $\ell=2$ ;  $K$  will be some quadratic extension of  $K_0 = \mathbb{F}_q(T)$  corresp. to curve  $C_0$  of genus 0.

Want

$C_0 \begin{cases} C_1 \\ \dots \\ C_d \end{cases}$  point at  $\infty$  should split completely.

Let  $\phi_0, \dots, \phi_d$  be indep. monic polyu. of even degree dist.

Then define  $C_i$  by  $y_i^2 = \phi_i(T)$ .

$$y_i^2 = T^{\text{even}} + \dots \Rightarrow \infty \text{ is split in } C_i$$

So set  $K = \mathbb{F}_q(T, \sqrt{\phi_0 \dots \phi_d})$

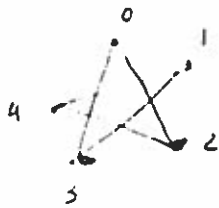
Over  $K$ ,  $\mathbb{I}$  have  $d$  indep. quadratic extens, unramified  $\infty$  splits completely.

Choose  $d=5$ , for instance, and the "d" in the theorem is then at least 5, so done.  $\square$

For char = 2, do the same with Artin-Schreier extension

You want: In  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $A, B \subset \mathbb{F}_q$  as large as possible  
 s.t. every  $a - b$ , for  $a \in A, b \in B$ , is a non-square.

E.g.  $q = 5$



$\mathbb{F}_5$

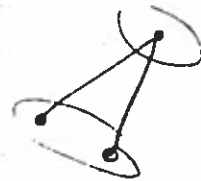
join pts whose difference is not a square

Want: a maximal complete bipartite graph embedded in this graph



Call this a B-subgraph

E.g.



in our case.

Graph theorem

Let  $R, S$  be two finite sets,  $\Omega \subset R \times S$ .

Let  $m \geq 1$  be such that every  $s \in S$  is  $\Omega$ -related to at least  $m$  points of  $R$ .

Let  $a, b$  be integers  $\geq 1$  such that  $b \binom{|R|}{a} \leq |S| \binom{m}{a}$ .

Then  $\exists A \subset R$  and  $B \subset S$  with  $\begin{cases} |A| = a, |B| = b \\ A \times B \subset \Omega. \end{cases}$



Let  $X =$  set of pairs  $(A, s)$  with  $|A|=a$ ,  $s \in S$   
and  $A \times \{s\} \subset \Omega$ .

Then  $|X| = ?$

Project  $X \xrightarrow{\psi} S$   
 $(A, s) \mapsto s$

Let  $R(s)$  be the subset of  $R$  made of the elements  $r$   
s.t.  $(r, s) \in \Omega$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } |\psi^{-1}(s)| &= \text{uber subsets of } R(s) \text{ w/ } a \text{ elements} \\ &= \binom{|R(s)|}{a} \geq \binom{m}{a} \quad \text{since } |R(s)| \geq m \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } |X| \geq |S| \binom{m}{a}$$

Then  $X \xrightarrow{\psi} \text{Set of subsets of } R \text{ with } a \text{ elements}$   $\leftarrow$  has  $\binom{|R|}{a}$  elements.  
 $(A, s) \mapsto A$

Hence some fiber of  $\psi$  has at least  $|X| / \binom{|R|}{a}$  elements.

$$\text{But } \frac{|X|}{\binom{|R|}{a}} \geq \frac{|S| \binom{m}{a}}{\binom{|R|}{a}} \geq b.$$

So choose  $A$  whose fiber has  $\geq b$  elements, and  
choose  $B$  in the fiber with  $|B|=b$ . Done!  $\square$

10/23 Class Field Towers (cont.)

We showed:  $\Omega \subset R \times S$

If  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{every } s \in S \text{ is } \Omega\text{-related to at least } m \text{ elements} \\ \text{of } R \end{array} \right.$

then  $\exists A \subset R, B \subset S, |A|=a, |B|=b$  given,  
s.t.  $A \times B \subset \Omega$

provided that  $b \binom{|R|}{a} \leq |S| \binom{m}{a}$ .

For  $\mathbb{F}_q, q = p^e, p \neq 2$ :

Take  $R = S = \mathbb{F}_q, \Omega = \{(r, s) \mid r - s \text{ is a nonzero square in } \mathbb{F}_q\}$   
so  $m = \frac{q-1}{2}$ .

Let  $q \mapsto a(q), b(q)$  be two functions of a variable  $q$ , with integral values  $\geq 1$  for  $q = p^e, p$  prime  $\neq 2$ , with

$$\begin{cases} a(q) \leq c_1 \log q \\ b(q) \leq q^{c_2} \end{cases}$$

where  $c_2 + c_1 \log 2 < 1$ .

Claim: There, for  $q$  large enough, there exist  $A, B \subset \mathbb{F}_q$   
with  $|A|=a(q), |B|=b(q)$ , and  $A \times B \subset \Omega$ .

[This is approx. what the naive approach would give

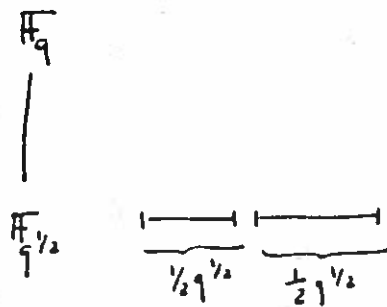
b.

$\frac{q}{2}$

$$b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n \quad q \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\alpha ?$$

$\alpha \sim \log q \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\alpha = \frac{1}{q^\epsilon}$   
 which suggests  $a(q) \leq c_1 \log q$  is reasonable ]

If  $q$  is a square,



every difference  $\in \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}} \subset (\mathbb{F}_q)^2$

So  $a(q) \leq q^{1/2}, b(q) \leq q^{1/2}$ . Much larger!

Proof of Claim

To be checked: for  $q$  large enough,

$$b(q) \binom{q}{a(q)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} q \binom{\frac{q-1}{2}}{a(q)}$$

i.e., 
$$b(q) \frac{q!}{(q-a(q))!} \stackrel{?}{\leq} q \frac{\left(\frac{q-1}{2}\right)!}{\left(\frac{q-1}{2}-a(q)\right)!}$$

Stirling:  $\log(x!) = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right) \log x - x + O(1)$

Suppose  $1 \leq y \leq x^{1/2}$ . Then

$$\log \left( \frac{x!}{(x-y)!} \right) = (x + \frac{1}{2}) \log x - x - (x-y + \frac{1}{2}) (\log x + \log(1 - \frac{y}{x})) + x - y + O(1)$$

$$= y \log x + O(1)$$

$$\left[ \begin{aligned} \text{Since } & -y - (x-y + \frac{1}{2}) \log(1 - \frac{y}{x}) = \\ & = \cancel{-y} - \underbrace{(x-y + \frac{1}{2}) \left( -\frac{y}{x} + O\left(\frac{y^2}{x^2}\right) \right)}_{\frac{y^2}{x} \leq 1} \\ & = O(1) \end{aligned} \right]$$

So check that

$$\log b(q) + a(q) \log q + O(1) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \log q + a(q) \log \frac{q-1}{2}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a(q) &\leq c_1 \log q \\ b(q) &\leq q^{c_2} \end{aligned} \right\} \log b(q) \leq c_2 \log q.$$

$$\text{So } \log q - \log b(q) \stackrel{?}{\geq} a(q) \left( \log q - \log \frac{q-1}{2} \right) + O(1)$$

$$\log \frac{q-1}{2} = \log(q-1) - \log 2 = \log q + \log(1 - \frac{1}{q}) - \log 2$$

$$\text{So } a(q) (\log q - \log \frac{q-1}{2}) + O(1) \leq c_1 \log q (\log 2 + o(1))$$

$$\log q - \log b(q) \geq (\log q) (1 - c_2)$$

So want  $\boxed{1 - c_2 > c_1 \log 2}$ , which is our condition.  $\square$

Starting from such  $A, B \subset \mathbb{F}_q$ , we make a 2-class field tower starting from  $\mathbb{P}_1$  and making quadratic extensions

Assume  $a = \text{even} = 2\alpha$

Write  $\{a_1, a'_1, \dots, a_\alpha, a'_\alpha\} = A$ .

If  $t$  is the variable in  $\mathbb{P}_1$ , take the quad. extn. given by

$$\sqrt{(t-a_i)(t-a'_i)} \quad i=1, \dots, \alpha$$

(So Fct. field is  $\mathbb{F}_q(t, \sqrt{(t-a_i)(t-a'_i)})$ )

In that ext., the points of  $B$  split completely (by our choice of  $\alpha$ ).

Now go to  $C \longleftrightarrow \mathbb{F}_q(t, \sqrt{\prod (t-a_i)(t-a'_i)})$

Elements of  $B$  give  $B_C = \text{subset of } C \text{ coming from } B$

$$|B_C| = 2|B| = 2b(q)$$

and  $C$  has  $\alpha-1$  independent quadratic extns which are unramified and where  $B_C$  splits completely.

(Namely, given by  $\sqrt{(t-a_i)(t-a'_i)} \quad i=1, \dots, \alpha-1$ .)





Construction for  $g=2$       Claim:  $A(2) \geq \frac{2}{9} = 0.222\dots$

First: Simple construction for  $A(2) \geq \frac{1}{5} = 0.2$ .

Take  $\mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{2/}$   $\mathbb{P}_1$

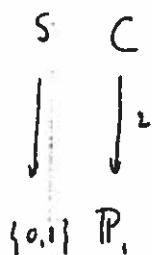
$$y^2 + y = t^3 + t + \sum_{\substack{\text{irred poly } \varphi(t) \\ \text{of deg } 2, 3, 4}} \frac{t^2 + t}{\varphi(t)}$$

So: sum is over

deg 2	→	$t^2 + t + 1$
deg 3	→	$t^3 + t + 1, t^3 + t^2 + 1$
deg 4	→	$t^4 + t + 1, t^4 + t^3 + 1, t^4 + t^3 + t^2 + t + 1$

We'll see  $g_c = 21$ .

Take  $\{0, 1\} \subset \mathbb{P}_1$ ; these split completely in  $\mathbb{C}$  to give a set  $S$  of 4 pts.



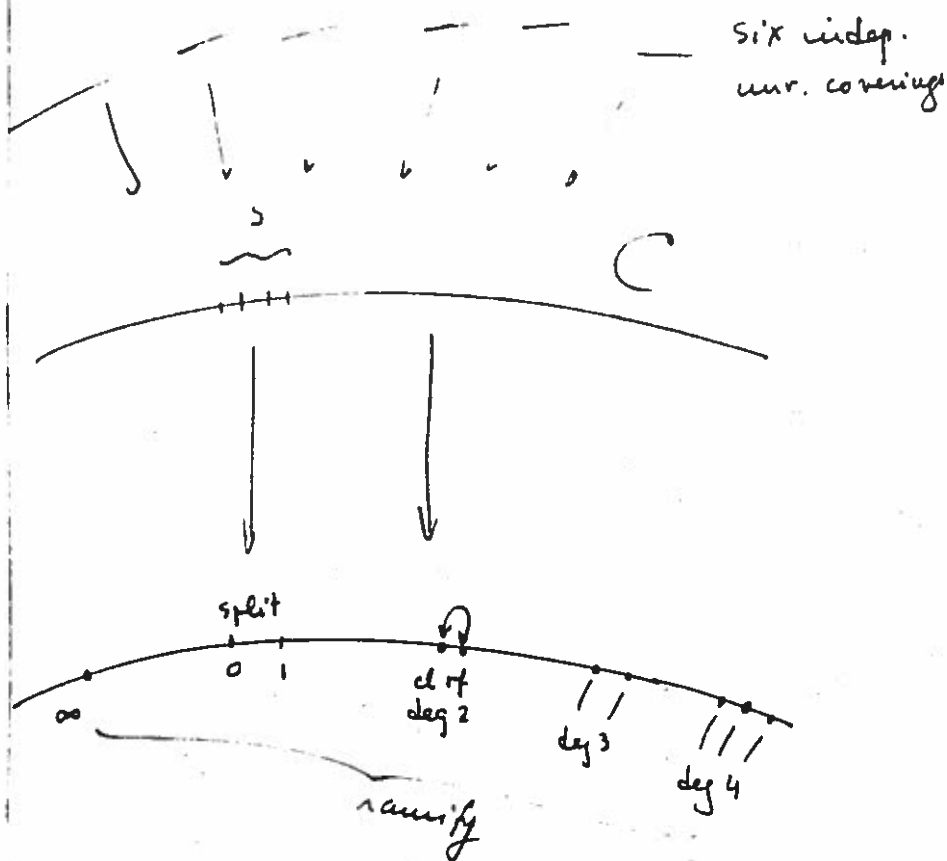
Have 6 indep. unramified quad. extns, given by

$$y^2 + y = \frac{t^2 + t}{\varphi(t)} \text{ for the six } \varphi(t) \text{ above}$$

and  $\{0, 1\}$  split completely. (Same argument as before.)

$\mathbb{C}$  is ramif at roots of  $\varphi(t)$  and at  $\infty$ .

Picture →



Assume:  $g_c = 21$ , class field tower is infinite.

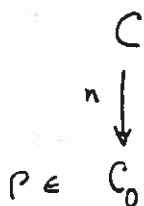
Then  $A(2) \geq \frac{|S|}{g-1} = \frac{4}{21-1} = \frac{4}{20} = \frac{1}{5}$ .

Class Field Tower: condition is  $|S| \leq \frac{d^2}{4} - d + 1$

$|S|=4$ ,  $d \geq 6$ , so  $\frac{d^2}{4} - d + 1 \geq \frac{16}{4} - 6 + 1 \geq 4$ .

So class field tower is infinite.

Genus: Know:  $g_c - 1 = n(g_{C_0} - 1) + \sum \text{contrib. of ramification.}$



Go to alg. closure: take a local param  $t$  at  $P$ . Look at  $dt$ . lift it to  $C$ .  
 Ramif  $\Rightarrow dt$  will have zero on the fiber

and

To see this, take  $w$  diff'l form  $\neq 0$  on  $C_0$ , w/o zero or pole at the ramif. pts.

lift to  $w_c$ . Now  $2g_c - 2 = \deg(w_c) = n \deg(w) + \text{extra ze}$   
 $= n \deg(w) + \sum \deg \text{ of } c_{\text{ram } p}$

Now divide by 2 to get the formula.

Now suppose  $p=2$ , Artin-Schreier extn  $y^2 + y = \psi(t)$

local computation, so work in field of power series.

$$\psi(t) = \frac{c_0}{t^n} + \dots \quad n \text{ odd } \geq 1.$$

[If  $\psi$  is hol., no ramif.; if  $\frac{1}{t^2} + \dots$ , remove  $\psi - (\frac{1}{t^2} + \frac{1}{t})$  until we get  $n$  odd.]

Claim: local contrib at that place is  $\frac{1}{2}(n+1)$ ,  
 i.e., "deg of  $dt$  in extension" =  $n+1$  (even)



$$v_K(y) = \frac{1}{2} v_K\left(\frac{1}{t^n}\right) = -n \quad \text{since } v(t) = 2 \text{ (ramification)}$$

$$dy = \frac{c_0}{t^{n+1}} dt + \dots \quad (\text{char } 2)$$

If  $\theta$  local parameter of  $K$ ,  $y = \theta^{-n}$  unit,

so  $dy = \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} + \dots$

so  $v_K(dy) = -(n+1)$

So  $v_K(dy) = -2(n+1) + v_K(dt) \implies v_K(dt) = n+1.$

In our case,  $y^2 + y = t^3 + t + \sum_{\deg 2,3,4} \frac{t^2+t}{\varphi(t)}$

pole of order 3 = n  
at  $\infty$   
 $\frac{1}{2}(n+1) = 2$

simple poles at these  
deg  $\varphi = 2 \rightarrow$  two simple poles  
 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(2) + \frac{1}{2}(2) = 2$

So  $g_C - 1 = 2(g_C - 1) + \sum \text{local contrib}$  Same for deg  $\varphi = 3$  or 4

$$= -2 + 2 + \sum \text{deg } \varphi$$

$$= -2 + 2 + 20$$

So  $\boxed{g_C = 21}$ .  $\square$

Lemma Let  $C$  be a curve over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ ; let  $S$  be a set of closed points of  $C$ , let  $\underline{m}$  be a positive divisor of  $C$  disjoint from  $S$ . Assume that  $|\text{deg}(\underline{m})| \geq 151$ . Then there is a quadratic extension of  $C$  which is unramified outside  $\underline{m}$ , where  $S$  splits completely and where the contribution of ramification is at most  $\text{deg } \underline{m}$ .

Proof - later (done by CFT)

Assuming the lemma, we can improve the result above:

Choose  $C$  = an elliptic curve with 2 rational points (and no more).

$$N_1 = \# C(\mathbb{F}_2) = 2$$

$$\text{Now } N_n = \# C(\mathbb{F}_{2^n}) = 1 + 2^n - \underbrace{(\pi^n + \bar{\pi}^n)}_{t_n}$$

$$\text{and } t_n = t_{n-1} t_1 - q t_{n-2} \quad \text{since } \pi \bar{\pi} = q !$$

$$\text{Here } t_0 = 2, t_1 = 1, q = 2 \quad (N_1 = 2 = 1 + 2 - t_1)$$

$$\text{So } t_n = t_{n-1} - 2 t_{n-2}$$

$$\text{So } t_2 = -3, t_3 = -5, t_4 = 1$$

$$\therefore N_1 = 2, N_2 = 8, N_3 = 14, N_4 = 16$$

If  $a_i$  = # of closed pts of  $C/\mathbb{F}_2$  of degree  $i$  (so  $N_n = \sum_{i|n} a_i$ )

$$\text{So } a_2 = 3, a_3 = 4, a_4 = 2.$$

lots of these

s.t. two rat'l pts split comp

Make 7 quadratic extensions of  $C$  ramified each at a different closed pt of degree 2 or 3; contrib. to ramification will be just 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3.

the same instructions before

$$d = 6 \text{ as before, and } g - 1 = 2(1 - 1) + \sum \text{contrib}$$

$$g - 1 = 18 \implies g = 19$$

10/31 Something from CFT

$X$  curve /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , genus  $g$ ,  $K$  fct. field.

(modulus)  $\underline{m} = \sum_{P \in S} n_P P$  be a positive divisor,  $S$  finite,  $n_P \geq 1$ ,  $P$  closed.

$$\text{Cl}_{\underline{m}}(X) = \left\{ \text{divisors of } X \text{ prime to } S \right\} / \left\{ (f) \right\}$$

where  $f \in K^*$ , and  $f \equiv 1 \pmod{\underline{m}}$

(this means that  $f \in 1 + \max_P n_P$  locally at each  $P \in S$ , or equiv.,  $v_P(f-1) \geq n_P \forall P \in S$ .)

If  $\underline{m} = 0$ ,  $\text{Cl}_0(X) = \text{Pic}(X)$   
 "  $\mathcal{O}(X)$

Recall  $0 \rightarrow J(\mathbb{F}_q) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X) \xrightarrow{\text{deg}} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$  exact

and

$$0 \rightarrow \text{kernel} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_{\underline{m}}(X) \rightarrow \text{Cl}(X) \rightarrow 0$$

$\downarrow$   $\uparrow$  obvious  $\uparrow$  almost obvious.

assume  $\underline{m} \neq 0$ ; ~~if~~ if  $U_P = \text{local units at } P$ ,  $U_P^{(n_P)} = \{u \in U_P \mid v(u-1) \geq n_P\}$

We have  $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^* \rightarrow \prod_{P \in S} U_P / U_P^{(n_P)} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_{\underline{m}}(X) \rightarrow \text{Cl}(X) \rightarrow 0$

CFT:

Let  $G$  be a finite group and let

$$\alpha: \text{Cl}_K(X) \longrightarrow G \quad \text{be onto.}$$

Then CFT constructs all abelian extensions  $K_x/K$  with Galois group  $G$  s.t.

1)  $K_x/K$  unramified outside  $S$

2) If  $P \notin S$ , the Frob of  $P$  in  $G$  is the image by  $\alpha$  of " $P$ ", viewed as a divisor.

3) If  $P \in S$ , the map

$$U_P \longrightarrow \text{Cl}_K(X) \xrightarrow{\alpha} G$$

↪

is the one attached by local class field theory, and the image is the inertia group.

I also have  $K_P^{\times} \longrightarrow G$ , image is decoup. group.

Let  $P_1, \dots, P_s$  be closed points disjoint from  $S$ . If I want extras in which these split completely, I have:

To have  $P_i$  split in  $K_x/K$  it is nec. & suff. that  $\alpha((P_i)) = 0$ ,  $(P_i) \in \text{Cl}_x(X)$ .

Let  $l$  be a prime number, let  $d_p = l$ -rank of  $U_p/U_p^{(l)}$  (this is a group of order  $(q^{\deg(P)} - 1)q^{(n_p-1)\deg(P)}$ )

Let  $\epsilon = l$ -rank of  $\mathbb{F}_q^x$  (0 if  $l \nmid q-1$ , 1 if  $l \mid q-1$ )

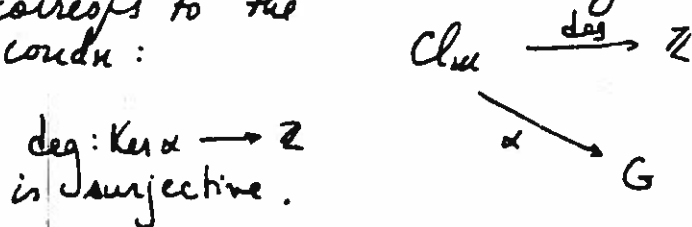
Assume that  $s \leq \sum d_p - \epsilon$ .  
Claim } Then:  $\exists$  a cyclic extension of deg  $l$ , obtained through an  $\alpha$ , where the  $P_i$ 's split completely.

Have  $0 \rightarrow \text{Local} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_x \rightarrow J(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$ ,  
 so  $\text{Cl}_x \cong \mathbb{Z} \times \Phi$   $\Phi \supset \text{Local}$ , finite.

So  $l$ -rank of  $\text{Cl}_x/l\text{Cl}_x$  is  $\geq 1 + \sum d_p - \epsilon$ .

There is a hyperplane  $\text{Cl}_x/l\text{Cl}_x$  (as  $\mathbb{F}_l$ -vector sp.) containing all the  $P_i$ 's; this gives the desired extension.

Given  $K_x/K$ , assuming no constant-field extn. corresponds to the condn:





In this case, I want the genus of  $K_\alpha$ .

Look at characters  $\chi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ . This gives maps

$$U_p \rightarrow \text{Cl}_\alpha \rightarrow G \xrightarrow{\chi} \mathbb{C}^\times.$$

So exp. of cond. of  $\chi$  at  $P = f_P(\chi) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } U_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times \text{ is trivial} \\ \text{smallest } e \text{ s.t.} \\ U_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times \text{ is trivial} \\ \text{on } U_p^{(e)} \end{cases}$

So formula for the genus  $g_\alpha$  of  $K_\alpha$ :

$$2g_\alpha - 2 = [K_\alpha: K] (2g - 2) + \deg(\text{discriminant ideal})$$

and  $\text{disc} = \sum_{P, \chi} f_P(\chi) \cdot P,$

so we get

$$\boxed{2g_\alpha - 2 = 16l(2g - 2) + \sum f_P(\chi) \deg P}$$

In our situation:  $g=2, l=2, 16l=2$

At each  $P$  we get one number  $f_P$  (only one character!).

On the other hand, we've noted that writing

$$y^2 + y = \frac{a_0}{t^m} + \dots = \varphi \text{ m odd } \geq 1,$$

the local contrib was measured by,

Have:  $\boxed{f_p = m + 1}$

"Proof": I get  $U_p \longrightarrow \{\pm 1\} = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

explicitly:  $u \in U_p$  can be viewed as  $u(t) \in \mathbb{F}_2[[t]]$ ; then the map is

$$u(t) \longmapsto \text{Tr}_{\mathbb{F}_2[[t]]/\mathbb{F}_2} \left( \text{Res} \left[ \varphi(t) \frac{du(t)}{u(t)} \right] \right)$$

(For an Artin-Schreier extn as above!)

Then, if  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{t^{m+1}}$

$$\frac{du}{u} = ct^m dt + \dots$$

$$\varphi \frac{du}{u} \text{ hol.}, \text{ so Res} = 0$$

But if  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{t^m}$ , not  $\pmod{t^{m+1}}$ , will get simple pole, hence  $\text{Res} \neq 0$ .

2-rank of  $U_p/U_p^{(n_p)}$

$n_p$  even  $\geq 2$   
res field  $\mathbb{F}_2^e$

$$U_p/U_p^{(n_p)} = \left\{ \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} t^{n-1} \pmod{t^n} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \alpha_0 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_0 \in \mathbb{F}_2^e \\ \alpha_i \in \mathbb{F}_2^e \end{array} \right\}$$

for 2-rank, think only

$$1 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} t^{n-1} \quad \alpha_i \in \mathbb{F}_q = \mathbb{F}_2^e, \text{ so}$$

$$\text{order} = q^{n-1}$$

squares :  $1 + \alpha_1^2 t^2 + \dots = \text{those where } \alpha_1 = \alpha_3 = \dots = 0$

there are  $\frac{n}{2}$  odd indices, so order =  $q^{\frac{n}{2}-1}$

$\therefore \text{Ab} : |G/G^2| = q^{\frac{n}{2}}, \text{ so } 2\text{-rank} = e \cdot \frac{n}{2}.$

This proves the statement made last time about constructing extensions where certain points split.  
(Just check that #points  $< \sum d_p - e$ )

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Optimal functions for number of points

$\mathbb{F}_q$ , genus  $g$ ,  $N$  points

(\*) If  $c_n \geq 0$ , and  $f = 1 + \sum 2c_n \cos n\theta \geq 0$  for all  $\theta$   
 $= 1 + \sum c_n (t^n + t^{-n})$ ,  $t \in S^1$  unit circle.

then  $g \geq (N-1) \sum c_n q^{-n/2} - \sum c_n q^{n/2}$

Problem: Knowing  $N$  and  $g$ , what is (if any) the best choice of  $(c_n)$ ? (I.e., the one that maximizes the expression.)

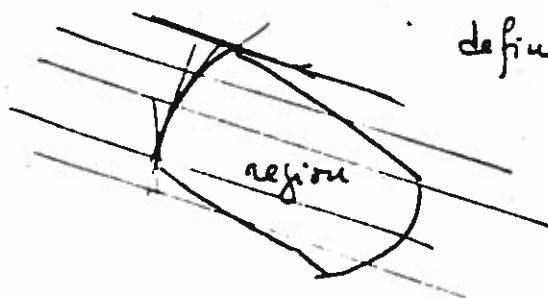
If  $(c_n) \in (*)$ , what is the max of  $\sum c_n ((N-1)q^{-n/2} - q^{n/2})$ ,

Call the max  $g(N, g)$   $\sum c_n$

This is a linear programming question:

given variables, linear inequalities on them

defines some convex region



given linear forms  $\longleftrightarrow$  cut region by lines  
 look for max. value.

In linear programming, every problem has a dual problem. So let's introduce the dual problem, but in a more natural way.

Suppose we want  $\geq N$  pts,  $q \rightarrow$  genus?

We must have then  $N_n \geq N, \forall n. (N_n = \# X(\mathbb{F}_q^n))$

$\forall \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_g$  are the angles of Frob.

Know: 
$$N_n = q^n + 1 - q^{n/2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^g 2 \cos n \varphi_\alpha$$

So 
$$q^n + 1 - q^{n/2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^g 2 \cos n \varphi_\alpha \geq N$$

Introduce the measure  $\mu = \sum (\delta_{e^{i\varphi_\alpha}} + \delta_{e^{-i\varphi_\alpha}})$   $\delta =$  Dirac measure.  
 $\mu \geq 0, \mu(S^1) = 2g.$

Then 
$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^g 2 \cos n \varphi_\alpha = \int t^n \mu(t) \left[ = \int \frac{1}{2} (t^n + \bar{t}^n) \mu(t) \right]$$

So I'm looking for  $\mu \geq 0$  on  $S^1$  with

$$\int t^n \mu(t) \leq \underbrace{q^{n/2} - (N-1)q^{-n/2}}_{\gamma_n} \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

So look at all

$$\boxed{\mu \geq 0, \int t^n \mu(t) \leq \gamma_n \quad n=1, 2, \dots} \quad (**),$$

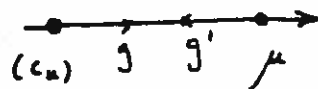
(\*\*) <sub>n</sub>

and ask what is the lower bound of  $\frac{1}{2} \int \mu(t)$ ?  
 Call it  $g'(N, \gamma)$

This is the dual problem.

Lemma 1: If  $\mu \in (**)$ ,  $(c_n) \in (*)$ , then

$$-\sum c_n \gamma_n \leq \int \frac{1}{2} \mu(t).$$



In particular,  $g(N, \gamma) \leq g'(N, \gamma)$

Lemma 2: We have equality above iff  $\mu$  has support contained in the set of zeros of the fct  $1 + \sum c_n (t^n + t^{-n})$  on  $S^+$  and  $(**)_n$  is an equality for every  $n$  s.t.  $c_n \neq 0$ .

Theorem: Let  $\mu$  and  $(c_n)$  be such as in Lemma 2.  
 Then  $g(N, \gamma) = \frac{1}{2} \int \mu(t) = -\sum c_n \gamma_n$ .

Proof: Let  $f = 1 + \sum c_n(t^n + t^{-n}) \geq 0$

$$\text{So } \mu(f) = \int f d\mu = \mu(1) + 2 \sum c_n \mu(t^n) \geq 0$$

But  $\mu(t^n) = \int t^n d\mu \leq \delta_n$ , so

$$\mu(\frac{1}{2}) \geq - \sum c_n \mu(t^n) \geq - \sum c_n \delta_n$$

QED, Lemma 1.

Proof (2): Want  $\mu(f) = 0$  above, hence since  $f \geq 0$   $\mu$  must be concentrated on the zeros.

I also want  $\mu(t^n) = \delta_n$  unless  $c_n = 0$ ,

QED (2).  $\square$

Example: Take  $q+1 \leq N \leq q^{3/2} + 1$

Claim: in this range Weil is optimal.

Weil  $\leftrightarrow 1 + \cos \theta$ , so  $c_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $c_n = 0$ ,  $n \geq 2$

Claim: this choice is optimal.

It is enough to exhibit a  $\mu$  with equality!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We want } g &= -\frac{1}{2} \delta_1 = -\frac{1}{2} (q^{1/2} - (N-1)q^{-1/2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} ((N-1)q^{-1/2} - q^{1/2}) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

And take  $\mu = \text{Dirac at } t = -1 \text{ (angle } \theta) \text{ with weight } 2g$ , where  $g$  is given by this last eqn.

To check:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 + \cos \theta \geq 0 \text{ OK, } c_n \geq 0 \text{ OK} \\ \text{so } (*) \text{ OK.} \end{array} \right.$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{clearly } \mu \text{ is concentrated at the zero of } \\ 1 + \cos \theta \\ \text{to check: } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu(t^n) \leq \gamma_n \text{ for } n \geq 1 \\ \mu(t) = \gamma_1 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right.$

$$\mu(t) = 2g(-1) = -2g$$

to check  $-2g = \gamma_1$  OK by construction

$$\mu(t^2) = 2g(-1)^2 = -\gamma_1 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \gamma_2$$

$$-\gamma_1 = -q^{1/2} + (N-1)q^{-1/2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} q - (N-1)q^{-1} = \gamma_2$$

$$(N-1)(q^{-1/2} + q^{-1}) \stackrel{?}{\leq} q + q^{1/2}$$

$$(N-1)(1 + q^{1/2}) \stackrel{?}{\leq} q^{3/2}(1 + q^{1/2})$$

$$(N-1) \stackrel{?}{\leq} q^{3/2}$$

OK by condition on



$$\mu(t^3) = -2g = \delta_1 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \delta_3 \quad \delta_3 \geq 0, -2g < 0 \text{ OK.}$$

$$\mu(t^4) = 2g = -\delta_1 \leq \delta_2 \leq \delta_4$$

$\delta_n$  increases for  $n$  large.

and layers  $n$  are similarly OK.  $\square$

Theorem on Linear Inequalities on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

Let  $f_\alpha$  be <sup>finitely many</sup> additive functions  $(\sum \alpha_i x_i + \beta)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then the following are equiv:

- (i) The equations  $f_\alpha \geq 0$  have no common solution.
- (ii)  $\exists c_\alpha \geq 0$  s.t.  $1 + \sum c_\alpha f_\alpha = 0$  identically in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

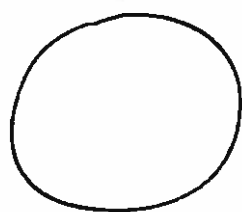
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Oesterlé's "Optimal" computation of lower bound for  $g$   
 (given  $N, q$ )

On Machine:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{ON} \\ \text{RUN 2000} \\ \text{NOMBRE DE POINTS?} \quad 65 \text{ enter} \\ \text{Q?} \quad 8 \quad " \\ \text{GENRE } \geq 14 \end{array} \right.$

Recall: Last time we defined a "dual" problem to what we wanted, and saw that

admissible  $\mu$  measure  
 +  
 admissible  $(c_n)$  } match  $\rightarrow$  optimal solution.



$$S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$$

admissible  $\mu$   $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \mu \text{ will be a positive measure on } S^1 \text{ s.t.} \\ \cdot \text{ symmetric w.r.t } z \mapsto \bar{z} = z^{-1} \\ \cdot \int t^n \mu(t) = \langle t^n, \mu \rangle \geq q^{n/2} - (N-1)q^{-n/2} \\ \text{for } n \geq 1 \end{array} \right.$

(Where  $N, q$  are given).

admissible  $(c_n)$   $\left[ \begin{array}{l} c_n \geq 0 \\ 1 + \sum_{n \geq 1} c_n (t^n + t^{-n}) \geq 0 \text{ on } S^1 \end{array} \right.$

We attack

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu \longmapsto \frac{1}{2} \int \mu(t) = \langle \frac{1}{2}, \mu \rangle \\ (c_n) \longmapsto \sum c_n (N-1) q^{-n/2} - q^{n/2} \end{array} \right\}^N$$

We say  $\mu$  and  $(c_n)$  match if  $\frac{1}{2} \int \mu(t) = \sum c_n ( \quad )$ ; if this happens, the common value is the best  $g(N, q)$  that the explicit formula can give.

(Usually not even rational, of course...)

Oesterle found an explicit choice of  $(c_n)$  (working for every  $(q, N)$ ), an explicit choice of  $\mu$  (working for  $q \geq 3$  and sometimes for  $q=2$ ), and they match.

Hence, this gives  $g(N, q)$ , at least for  $q \geq 3$ .

• Let  $\lambda = N-1$ ,  $\alpha = q^{1/2}$

So condn. on  $\mu$  is  $\int t^n \mu(t) \geq \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n}$ ,  $n \geq 1$

We showed

$\lambda \leq \alpha^3$	$\rightarrow$ Weil estimate is best (i.e., optimal is given by $1 + \frac{1}{2}(t+t^{-1}) = 1 + \cos \varphi$ )
$\lambda = \alpha^4$	$\rightarrow$ Suzuki (char = 2)
$\lambda = \alpha^6$	$\rightarrow$ Ree

Method:

Define  $m$  by  $\boxed{\alpha^m < \lambda \leq \alpha^{m+1}}$ . ( $m = \lceil \frac{\log \lambda}{\log \alpha} \rceil$ )

I will assume  $m \geq 2$ . (if not,  $g=0$  is OK ...)

Put  $u = \frac{\alpha^{m+1} - \lambda}{\lambda \alpha - \alpha^m}$ ; by the assumptions,  $0 \leq u < 1$ .

Consider the equation:

$$\cos \frac{m+1}{2} \varphi + u \cos \frac{m-1}{2} \varphi = 0$$

There is exactly one solution  $\varphi_0$  in the range  $\frac{\pi}{m+1} \leq \varphi_0 < \frac{\pi}{m}$ .

Then the optimal  $g$  (for  $q \geq 3$ , at least) is

$$\boxed{g = \frac{(\lambda-1)\alpha \cos \varphi_0 + \alpha^2 - \lambda}{\alpha^2 - 2\alpha \cos \varphi_0 + 1}}$$

(When  $q=2$ , this is the value given by a choice of  $(u)$ .)

We try to find  $\mu$  of the following shape:

concentrated on a symmetric set  $T \subset S^d$ , with  $|T| = m-1$ , with

$$(7) \quad \int t^u \mu(t) = \alpha^u - \lambda \alpha^{-u} \quad \text{for } u=1, \dots, m-1,$$

and the mass  $v_t$  of  $t \in T$  being strictly positive.  
We also need  $v_{\bar{t}} = v_t$ , of course.

On the other hand, look for  $(c_n)$  s.t.

$$f(t) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} c_n (t^n + \bar{t}^n) \text{ is zero on } T$$

( $c_n \geq 0$ ,  $f(t) \geq 0$  on  $S^1$ ).

If we can do this, we have a match (as seen before).

Lemma If  $T$  satisfies the conditions (T), then  $T$  is contained in the set of solutions of

$$t^{m+1} + 1 + u(t^m + t) = 0 \quad (1)$$

(This has  $m+1$  solutions on  $S^1$ , which are symmetric, so to get  $T$  we need to discard one pair).

Rewrite as  $t = e^{i\varphi}$ , get the equation for  $u$  given above.

So we throw out the solutions  $t = e^{\pm i\varphi_0}$ :

$T =$  solutions of (1) which are different from  $e^{\pm i\varphi_0}$ .

Proof of Lemma: Suppose  $T$  is given.

$T$  has  $m-1$  elements in  $S^1$ .

$\mu = \sum_{t \in T} v_t \delta_t$  so the integral is  $\sum_{t \in T} v_t t^n = \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n}$   $n=1, \dots, m-1$

The system  $\boxed{\sum_{t \in T} v_t t^n = \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n} \quad n=1, \dots, m-1}$  (\*)

has  $(m-1)$  linear eqns,  $(m-1)$  unknowns, determinant is Vander Monde  $t$  ( $t \in T$ ), so  $\neq 0$ .

So it has a unique solution  $v_t = \text{---}$

Now force  $v_t = v_{t^{-1}}$  for every  $t \in T$ . This will imply equation (\*\*).

Rewrite (\*) as follows:

(\*)  $\iff$  for every polynomial  $\phi$  of degree  $\leq m-1$ , with constant term 0,

$\boxed{\sum_{t \in T} v_t \phi(t) = \phi(\alpha) - \lambda \phi(\alpha^{-1})}$  (\*\*)

let  $P(x) = \prod_{t \in T} (x-t)$

$T$  symmetric  $\implies P(x^{-1}) = P(x) x^{1-m}$   
 $-\frac{1}{x^2} P'(x^{-1}) = P'(x) x^{1-m} + (1-m) P(x) x^{-m}$

So if  $t \in T$ ,  $-\frac{1}{t^2} = \bar{t}^2$  :

$$\boxed{-\bar{t}^2 P'(\bar{t}) = P'(t) t^{1-u}}$$

Let  $t \in T$ ; define  $Q_t(x) = X \prod_{\substack{t' \in T \\ t' \neq t}} (x-t') = \frac{X P(x)}{x-t}$

Now  $Q_t(t') = 0$  for  $t' \in T, t' \neq t$ .

$$Q_t(t) = t P'(t)$$

Apply (\*) to  $\Phi = Q_t$  :

get 
$$v_t Q_t(t) = Q_t(\alpha) - \lambda Q_t(\alpha^{-1})$$

so 
$$\boxed{v_t = \frac{Q_t(\alpha) - \lambda Q_t(\alpha^{-1})}{t P'(t)}}$$

rewrite :

$$t P'(t) v_t = \frac{\alpha P(\alpha)}{\alpha-t} - \lambda \frac{\alpha^{-1} P(\alpha^{-1})}{\alpha^{-1}-t}$$

we have  $P(\alpha^{-1}) = P(\alpha) \alpha^{1-u}$

so 
$$t P'(t) v_t = P(\alpha) \left\{ \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-t} - \lambda \frac{\alpha^{-u}}{\alpha^{-1}-t} \right\}$$

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$$tP'(t)v_t = P(\alpha) \frac{1 - \alpha t - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + t \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2}$$

$$\text{Now } v_t = v_{\bar{t}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{tP'(t)} \cdot \frac{1 - \alpha t - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + t \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2} = \frac{1}{\bar{t}P'(\bar{t})} \frac{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \bar{t} \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \alpha^{-1}\bar{t} + \bar{t}^2}$$

$$\text{Also } -P'(\bar{t}) = P'(t) \cdot t^{3-m}, \text{ so}$$

$$\frac{1}{t} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha t - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + t \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2} \right\} = \frac{-1}{t^{2-m}} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \bar{t} \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \alpha^{-1}\bar{t} + \bar{t}^2} \right\}$$

$$\text{so } -t^{1-m} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha t - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + t \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2} \right\} = \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \bar{t} \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \alpha^{-1}\bar{t} + \bar{t}^2} \right\}$$

$$-t^2 (1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \alpha^{-1}\bar{t} + \bar{t}^2) = 1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2$$

So end up with

$$-t^{m+1} (1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \lambda \alpha^{-m} \bar{t}) - (1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \lambda \alpha^{-m} \bar{t}) =$$

$$t^{m+1} (1 - \lambda \alpha^{1-m}) + t^m (\lambda \alpha^{-m} - \alpha) - t (\alpha - \lambda \alpha^{-m}) + (1 - \lambda \alpha^{1-m}) =$$

$$u = \frac{\alpha^{m+1} - \lambda}{\lambda \alpha - \alpha^m} = \frac{\alpha - \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{\lambda \alpha^{1-m} - 1}$$

$$\text{So } t^{m+1} + 1 + u(t^m + t) = 0. \quad \square$$



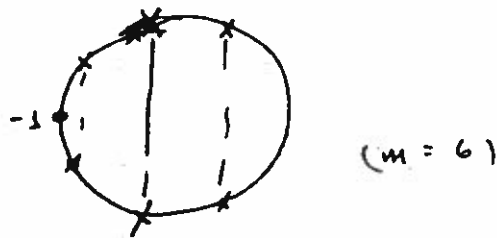
Note this works for any  $m$ ; our choice of  $u$  is equiv  
to  $u \in [0, 1)$ .

Now, study the equation  $\cos \frac{m+1}{2} \varphi + u \cos \frac{m-1}{2} \varphi = 0$ ,  
where  $0 \leq u < 1$ .

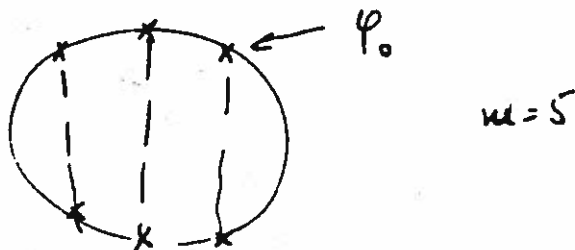
$$F(\varphi) = \frac{\cos \frac{m+1}{2} \varphi}{\cos \frac{m-1}{2} \varphi}$$

(We want to show  $t^{m+1} + 1 + u(t^m + t) = 0$  has  
 $m+1$  distinct solutions on  $S^1$ , and "locate" them.)

if  $m$  is ~~even~~ <sup>even</sup>:  $-1$  is a solution

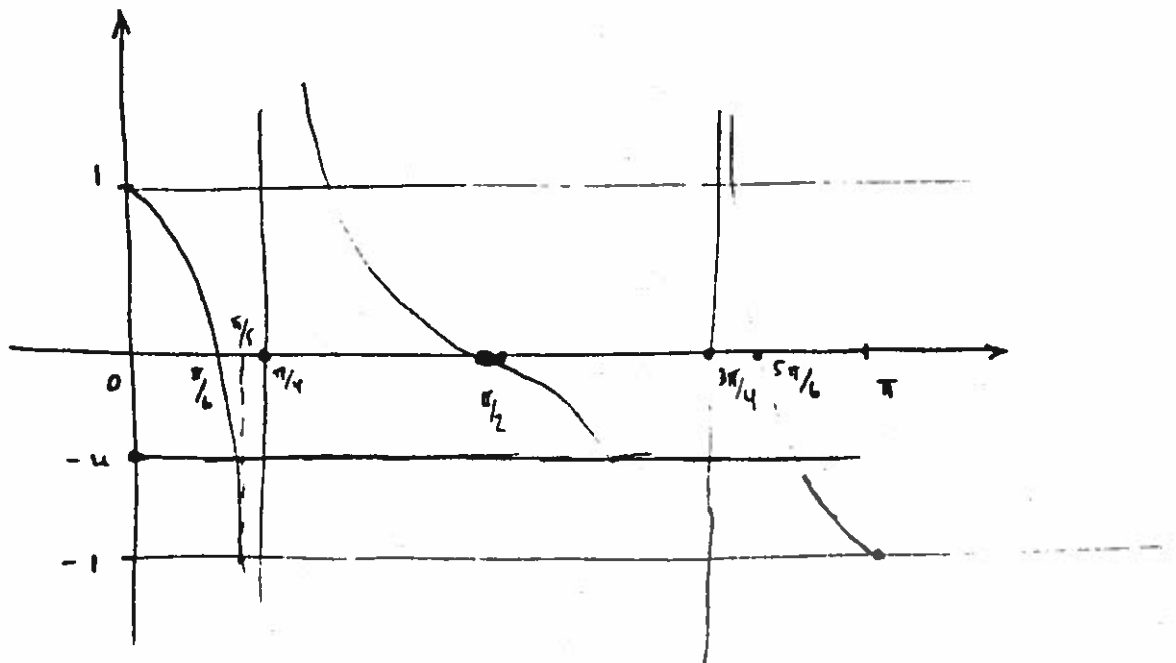


if  $m$  is odd:  $-1$  is not a solution



Take  $m=5$ , for instance.

Graph on  $0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi$  of  $F(\varphi) = \frac{\cos 3\varphi}{\cos 2\varphi}$



$$\cos 2\varphi = 0 \iff 2\varphi = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2} \implies \varphi = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ or } \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

$$F\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) = \frac{\cos \frac{3\pi}{5}}{\cos \frac{2\pi}{5}} = -1 \quad \left(\text{since } \frac{3\pi}{5} + \frac{2\pi}{5} = \pi\right)$$

Given  $u \in [0, 1)$ , I want  $F(\varphi) = -u$  3 times

We know: the first soln. is  $\varphi_0$ ,  $\frac{\pi}{6} \leq \varphi_0 < \frac{\pi}{5}$   
and that is the only soln. in that interval.

(And the same happens from any  $m$ ).

So we know:

the eqn.  $t^{m+1} + 1 + u(t^m + t) = 0$  has exactly  $m+1$  solns. on  $S^1$ , and exactly one of the form  $e^{i\varphi_0}$ ,  $\frac{\pi}{m+1} \leq \varphi_0 < \frac{\pi}{m}$ .

Define  $T$  as the complement of  $e^{i\varphi_0}, e^{-i\varphi_0}$  in the set of roots of the equation.

Define  $v_t$  by solving the system of equations

$$\sum v_t t^n = \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n}, \quad n=1, \dots, m-1$$

(we even have an explicit formula).

We prove:  $v_t > 0$  all  $t$  (computations).

Admissibility means  $\sum v_t t^n \leq \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n}$  for  $n=m, m+1$ ,

This is a long computation; it shows: OK if  $\alpha \geq \sqrt{3}$ , i.e.  $g \geq 3$ .

Also OK if  $\alpha = \sqrt{2}$  and  $n=m, m+1$  (but not always of  $\alpha = \sqrt{2}$ ,  $n=m+2$ ,  $n \geq m+3$ , OK again!)

Up to  $\lambda = \sqrt[130]{V}$ , bad  $N$ 's are

51, 52, 53
70, 71, ..., 77
98, 99, ... 110
137, ...

guess:  
Bad if  $\frac{\log \lambda}{\log \alpha} \approx \text{integer} + 0.4$

$N=50, g \geq 65$ ;  $N=54, g \geq 72$

(For bad  $N$ 's, Ostrolovic's result is not optimal.)

Now to give  $f = 1 + \sum c_n (z^n + z^{-n})$  which will match.

Take  $P(x) = \prod_{t \in T} (x-t)$  ; write

$$P(x)P(x^{-1}) = \sum_{-(n-1)}^{n-1} a_n x^n, \quad a_n > 0$$

Defn:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{a_0} P(x)P(x^{-1})$

$$\therefore c_n = \frac{a_n}{a_0}$$

To compute  $a_n$

$$\begin{cases} a_n = (n-1) \cos n \varphi_0 \sin \varphi_0 + \sin (n-1) \varphi_0 \\ a_0 = n \sin \varphi_0 + \sin n \varphi_0 \end{cases}$$

Finally

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum v_i = g = \sum c_n (\lambda \alpha^{-n} - \alpha^n)$$

(by the formulas!)

and we end up with  $g = \frac{(\lambda-1)\alpha \cos \varphi_0 + \alpha^2 - \lambda}{\alpha^2 - 2\alpha \cos \varphi_0 + 1}$

[ Recall: the zeta fct of a curve is

$$\frac{\prod_{a=1}^{2g} (1 - q^{1/2} e^{i\psi_a} T)}{(1-T)(1-qT)}$$

$\nu_t$  is connected to  $\prod (1 - q^{1/2} t T)^{\nu_t}$

So number field analog: replace the zeros of  $\zeta$  by a measure.

Remark: If  $\lambda$  large w.r.t.  $\alpha (= q^{1/2})$

$$\text{Then } \psi \approx 0, \text{ so get } g \approx \frac{\lambda^\alpha - \lambda}{(\alpha - 1)^2} = \frac{\lambda}{\alpha - 1}$$

$$\text{So we expect } g \approx \frac{N}{\sqrt{q} - 1}.$$

A better approx comes from  $\psi \approx \frac{\pi}{m}$ ,  $m \sim \frac{\log \lambda}{\log \alpha}$ .

Then: for large  $\lambda$ ,

$$g \approx \frac{\lambda}{\alpha - 1} - \frac{\pi^2}{2} \frac{\alpha(\alpha + 1)}{(\alpha - 1)^3} \frac{\lambda}{(\log \lambda)^2} + O\left(\frac{\lambda}{(\log \lambda)^3}\right)$$


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11/21 We look at  $g=2$  with varying  $g$

① Upper bounds for  $N$

Use the explicit formula

given  $f(\theta) = 1 + \sum c_n 2 \cos n\theta$ ,  $c_n \geq 0$ ,  $f(\theta) \geq 0$ ,

we have  $g \geq (N-1) \sum c_n g^{-n/2} - \sum c_n g^{n/2}$ .

Start with the example

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{c} \sum (1 + 2x_1 \cos \theta + \dots + 2x_m \cos m\theta)^2$$

$$x_i \geq 0, \quad c = 1 + 2x_1^2 + \dots + 2x_m^2.$$

1<sup>st</sup> choice:  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0.7, x_3 = 0.2$

gives  $N \leq 0.83g + 5.35$

$g=1 \rightarrow$  not good  $N \leq 6$  ( $N=5$  is best)

$g=2, 3, \dots, 11 \Rightarrow$  bounded given (except for  $g=7$ ,  $N \leq 11$ , and  $N=10$  is best).

e.g.,  $g=5 \Rightarrow N \leq 4.15 + 5.35 \leq 9.50 \rightarrow N \leq 9$  and we'll construct curves ~~later~~ later.

2<sup>nd</sup> choice:  $x_1 = 1.05, x_2 = 0.8, x_3 = 0.4$

$$N \leq 0.766g + 5.97$$

for  $g = 13, \dots, 20$  gives same as Oesterlé'

3<sup>rd</sup> choice:  $1, 0.8, 0.6, 0.4, 0.1$

$$N \leq 0.6272g + 9.562$$

for  $g = 50$ ,  $N \leq 31.36 + 9.562 = 40.9\dots$

so  $N \leq 40$ .

This justifies all the upper bounds on the table except for  $g=7$ . tables: see pp. Se Th 38b, 38c

$g=7$  \* bound given by explicit fla is 11

Theorem: A curve with  $N=11$  does not exist.

Proof: Let  $C$  be such a curve.

What is its zeta function?

Eigenvalues of Frob are  $\pi_1, \bar{\pi}_1, \pi_2, \bar{\pi}_2, \dots, \pi_7, \bar{\pi}_7$ .

We'll know  $\chi$  if we know  $N$  over  $\mathbb{F}_2, \dots, \mathbb{F}_{2^7}$ ; if  $a_d = \#$  closed pts of deg  $d$ .

Need:  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_7$ .

Know:  $a_1 = 11$

Maximal number of points of a curve of genus  $g$   
over the field  $\mathbb{F}_2$

$g$	Max. nber	$g$	Max. nber	$g$	Max. nber
0	3	10	12 or 13	20	19, 20 or 21
1	5	11	13 or 14	21	21
2	6	12	14 or 15	...	
3	7	13	14 or 15	39	33
4	8	14	15 or 16	...	
5	9	15	17	50	40
6	10	16	16, 17 or 18		
7	10	17	17 or 18		
8	11	18	18 or 19		
9	12	19	20		

Bounds for  $N = \text{Max. Nber}$

$$N \leq 0.83g + 5.35$$

$$N \leq 0.766g + 5.97$$

$$N \leq 0.6272g + 9.562$$





$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } f &= \frac{25}{109} (1 + \cos \theta) \left(1 + \frac{6}{5} \cos \theta + \frac{6}{5} \cos 2\theta\right)^2 \\ &= 1 + \sum 2c_n \cos n\theta \\ c_1 &= \frac{98}{109}, \dots, c_5 = \frac{9}{218} \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\sum_{d=2}^5 da_d \sum_{n=0(d)} c_n q^{-n/2} \leq 9 + \sum c_n q^{-n/2} - (N-1) \sum c_n q^{n/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0.743a_2 + 0.408a_3 + 0.165a_4 + 0.036a_5 &\leq 7 + 4.577 - \\ &\quad - 11.506 \\ &\leq 0.069 \end{aligned}$$

This implies  $a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = 0$ ,  $a_5 \leq 1$ .

Have  $a_6$  and  $a_7$  to consider, still:

Let  $a_5 = \alpha$ ,  $a_6 = \beta$ ,  $a_7 = \gamma$  (so  $\alpha = 0$  or  $1$ ).

Have  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_7$ ,  $u_i = \pi_i + \bar{\pi}_i$

Define  $f(T) = \prod_{i=1}^7 (T - u_i) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$ .

This has real roots in the interval  $[-2\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2}]$ .

Writing  $f(T)$  in terms of  $\alpha, \beta, \delta$  :

$$f(T) = T^7 + 8T^6 + 21T^5 + 14T^4 - 19T^3 + (\alpha - 20)T^2 + (8\alpha + \beta - 5)T + 31\alpha + 8\beta + \delta - 106.$$

Theorem: Such a polynomial  $f_{\alpha, \beta, \delta}$  with  $\alpha, \beta, \delta \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\alpha = 0 \text{ or } 1$ , has all its roots real and in  $[-2\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2}]$  if and only if  $(\alpha, \beta, \delta) = (0, 11, 22)$ .

[Sturm  $\rightarrow$  condition for  $f_{\alpha, \beta, \delta}$  to have roots in some interval]

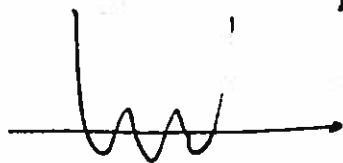
$f_{\alpha, \beta, \delta}$  all roots real  $\rightarrow$  derivative also has real roots

So first check that  $f''(T)$  does have four real roots.

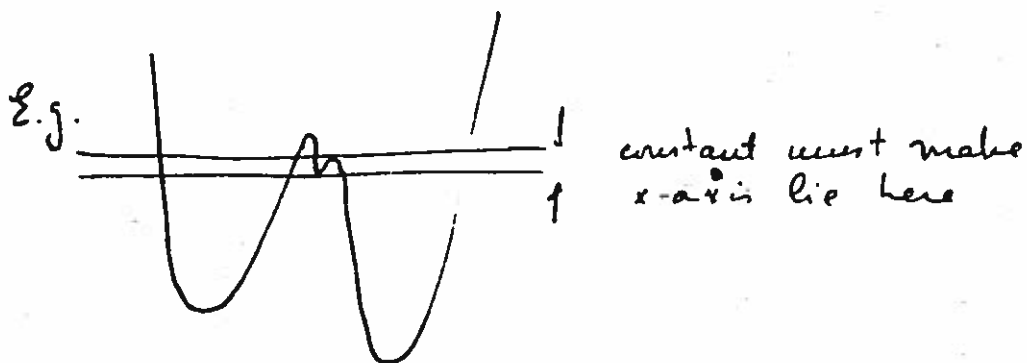
Have  $\alpha = 0$  or  $\alpha = 1$ .

$\alpha = 0$  take  $f''(T)$  is ok.

know  $f'(T)$  up to translation



to adjust the constant, look at highest min, lowest max



This gives :  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } \alpha=1, \quad 5 \leq \beta \leq 10 \\ \text{if } \alpha=0 \quad 9 \leq \beta \leq 13 \end{array} \right.$

This gives only eleven cases : look one-by-one at  $f(T)$  in the same way.

Find  $\alpha=1$  not possible.

$\alpha=0, \beta=11, \delta=22$  works (by a hair).  $\square$

(Conditions are  $\gamma \leq 22, \delta \geq 22, \delta \leq 22, \delta \geq 22, \gamma \leq 25, \delta \geq 18, \gamma \geq -9650$ ).

We find 
$$\begin{aligned}
 f &= T^7 + 8T^6 + 21T^5 + 14T^4 - 19T^3 - 20T^2 + 6T + 4 \\
 &= (T+2)(T^2+2T-2)(T^2+T-1)(T^2+3T+1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \overbrace{\hspace{15em}} \\
 = \quad g(T) \quad \cdot \quad h(T)
 \end{array}$$

then  $g, h$  generate  $\mathbb{Z}[T]$

So if  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  roots of  $g$ ,  $u_4, u_5, u_6, u_7$  roots of  $h$ , then every  $u_1 - u_4, \dots, u_1 - u_7, u_2 - u_4, \dots, u_3 - u_7$  is a unit

$g=0$  is no fun

$g=1$  we've seen,  $g=2$  too

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Formulas:  $g=1$ :  $y^2 + y = x^3 + x$   
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So take  $[x, y, z]$  homog. coords, find a poly which passes through all pts:

get  $x^3y + y^3z + z^3x + x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2x^2 + x^2yz + y^2zx + z^2xy$

need to prove: nonsingular (hence  $g=3$ ) and goes through all pts.

(since  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{F}_2 \Rightarrow x^2 = x$ , etc., so just

$$xy + yz + zx + xy + yz + zx + xy + yz + zx = 0 \quad !)$$

To check it's nonsingular, need only check irreducibility. For that: exists an automorphism of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  of order 7 fixing the curve.

This implies irreducibility.

e.g.,  $u_2 = -1 + \sqrt{3}$      $u_4 = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$

$$u_2 - u_4 = -\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{3} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

multiply by this w/  $-\sqrt{3}$   $\rightarrow \left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 - 3 = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2} - 3$   
 $= \frac{-3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$  unit.

etc.

So  $f = g \cdot h$ ,  $g$  &  $h$  generate  $\mathbb{Z}[T]$ , and this is impossible for a Jacobian, so the curve  $C$  does not exist.  $\square$

Next unknown case is  $g=10$  : analogous method on a computer gave 100 or 200 polynomials...

### Construction of Examples

We want to construct curves

$g$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	...
$N$	3	5	6	7	8	9	10	10	11	12	12 or 13	

$bd = 13$

have curve = 12

Exercise: Prove that minimum no. of points is 3 when  $g=0$ , 1 when  $g=1$ , 0 when  $g \geq 2$ .

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This is a twist of the Klein curve

$$G = SL_3(\mathbb{F}_2) = GL_2(\mathbb{F}_2) \text{ order } 168$$

$G$  acts on  $\mathbb{P}^2$ ; to find inv. polynomials

do:

$$Q_4(x, y, z) = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x^3 & y^3 & z^3 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x^4 & y^4 & z^4 \end{vmatrix}}$$

has degree 4

> = product of all the linear forms

→ this gives the Klein curve

This has no rat'l point.

if we twist it by a  $C_7 \subset G$ , (i.e., wrt  $\begin{matrix} \mathbb{F}_2 \\ C_7 \\ \mathbb{F}_2 \end{matrix}$ ) we get the curve above.

For  $g=4$ : if not hyperelliptic, can embed in  $\mathbb{P}^3$   
 these curve = inters. of surfaces  
 curve = (quadric surface)  $\cap$  (cubic surface)

transversal inters, but surfaces can have singularities.

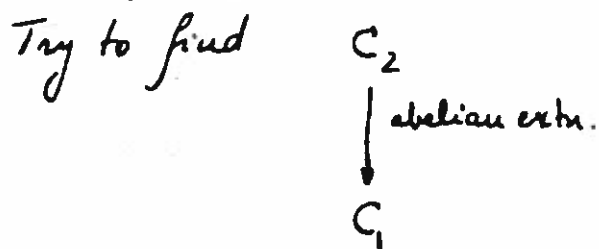
if quadric =  $\mathbb{P}_1 \times \mathbb{P}_1$ , 9 pts - so not obvious once we can get



In  $\mathbb{P}_1 \times \mathbb{P}_1$ , the curve we want has affine eqn:  
 $x^2y^3 + x^3y^2 + xy^3 + x^3y + x^2y^2 + x^2 + y^2 + 1 = 0.$

After  $g=4$ , explicit construction is not practical. Use CFT instead.

Start from  $C_2$ , known.



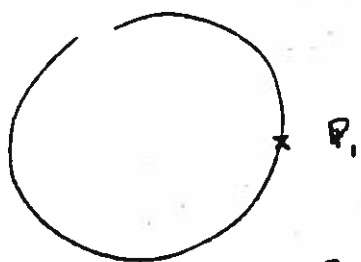
With "little" ramification ( $g(C_2)$  small) and s.t. "many" rational points split.

1<sup>st</sup> case:  $C_1 = \mathbb{P}_1, g=0$

Choose  $Q \in \mathbb{P}_1$  with  $\deg Q = 3$ , so res. field =  $\mathbb{F}_8$ .

$\mathbb{F}_8^\times =$  cyclic order 7.

Take  $m = Q$ , look at  $Cl_m$ .



$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_8^\times \rightarrow Cl_m \xrightarrow{\deg} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

CFT: finite quotients of  $Cl_m$  describe the ab. extns w/ cond.  $\leq Q$ .

Choose a rat'l point  $R \in \mathbb{P}_1(\mathbb{F}_2)$ .

$$R \mapsto \mathcal{C}_m, \quad \deg R = 1$$

So let  $G =$  quotient of  $\mathcal{C}_m$  by  $\langle R \rangle \cong \mathbb{F}_8^*$ .

So corresponds to

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{C} \\ \downarrow \textcircled{7} \\ \mathbb{P}_1 \end{array}$$

Frob  $R$  is killed  $\Rightarrow R$  splits completely giving 7 pts  
(and  $\Rightarrow$  no const. field extn.)

$$2g(\mathcal{C}) - 2 = 7(-2) + \underbrace{6 \cdot 3}_{\text{sum of Artin conductors}}$$

$$2g = 2 - 14 + 18 = 6$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{g=3, N=7}$$

Now play the same game as follows:

take  $R_1, R_2$  rat'l points on  $\mathbb{P}_1$

$m = 4 \cdot R_2$ , construct  $G$  as before,  $G = \mathcal{C}_m / \langle R_1 \rangle$

$\cong$  local group mod 4.

See Th 4.3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{get: } G &\cong \text{local gp mod } 4R_2 \\ &= \{1 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_3 t^3\} / 1 + t^4 \\ &\cong \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

So find  $C \xrightarrow{G} \mathbb{P}^1$  s.t.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} R_1 \text{ splits completely into 8 pts} \\ R_2 \text{ is completely ramified} \end{array} \right. \rightarrow 1 \text{ pt which is rat'l.}$

$$2g - 2 = 8(-2) + \sum f_x$$

Character on  $G$

$$\chi = 1 : f = 0$$

$$\chi \text{ trivial on } t^3 : f = 2$$

$$\chi \text{ trivial on } t^2 : f = 3 \text{ twice}$$

$$\text{—————} : f = 4 \text{ four times}$$

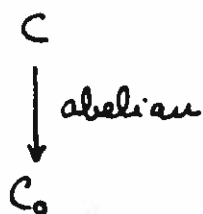
$$\text{So } 2g - 2 = -16 + 2 + 6 + 16 = 8 \implies \boxed{g = 5}$$

So this gives the curve we need for  $g = 5$ .  $\square$

11/26 ( $q=2$ , cont.) See table, pp. ScTh 43b, 43c

Construction

Start from sth you know, say  $g=0, 3$  pts,  $C_0$



give: conductor, group  $G$ ,  $n$  pts in  $C_0$  splitting completely.

$g=50$      $N=40?$      $40=8 \times 5$

So want  $C_0$  w/  $g_0=1$ , ell curve  $y^2+y=x^3+x$  w/ 5 rat'l pts.

Want a covering of degree 8 in which all five pts split completely.

$G =$  of type  $(2,2,2) = (2) \times (2) \times (2)$ .

First make a  $(2, \dots, 2)$  extension of rank 8; then  $P_1, \dots, P_5$  give Frob. elements.

$(2, \dots, 2) = \mathbb{F}_2^8$  has a quotient of dim 3  $(2,2,2)$  in which  $P_1, \dots, P_5 \rightarrow 0 \implies$  pts split completely.

Choose a pt  $P_7$ , of degree 7 ( $=8-1$ )

(#pts over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  is  $\geq 2^7 + 1 - 2 \cdot 2^{7/2} > 129 - 32 > 5$ )

Choose conductor  $\mathfrak{m} = 2P_7$

TABLE  
of curves of low genus over  $F_2$  having many points

Each curve  $C$  is obtained as an abelian covering  $C \rightarrow C_0$  of a curve  $C_0$  of lower genus, occurring earlier in the table (or of genus 0).

The table gives :

- the genus  $g$  of  $C$ ;
- the number  $N$  of rational points of  $C$  (I underline  $N$  if it is maximal for the corresponding genus);
- the genus  $g_0$  of  $C_0$ ;
- the conductor  $\underline{m}$  of  $C \rightarrow C_0$  (I write  $\underline{m}$  as  $aP_1 + a'P_1' + bP_2$ , where  $P_1, P_1', P_2, \dots$  are distinct closed points of  $C_0$  of degree  $1, 1, 2, \dots$ );
- the Galois group  $G$  of the covering  $C \rightarrow C_0$  (a cyclic group of order  $m$  is denoted by  $(m)$ );
- the number  $n$  of rational points of  $C_0$  which split completely in  $C$ ;
- the number  $r$  of rational points of  $C_0$  which are totally ramified in  $C$ .

For all the cases considered in the table, we have  $N = r + |G|r$

$g$	$N$	$g_0$	$\underline{m}$	$G$	$n$	$r$
1	<u>5</u>	0	$4P_1$	(2)	2	1
2	<u>6</u>	0	$2P_3$	(2)	3	0
3	<u>7</u>	0	$F_3$	(7)	1	0
4	<u>8</u>	1	$2P_1 + 4P_1'$	(2)	3	2
5	<u>9</u>	0	$4P_4$	(2)	1	1
6	<u>10</u>	1	$2P_5$	(2) × (4)	5	0
7	<u>10</u>	1	$2P_6$	(2)	5	0
8	<u>11</u>	2	$2P_1 + 2P_4$	(2)	5	1
9	<u>12</u>	2	$2P_6$	(2)	6	0

Table (continued)

<u>g</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>g<sub>0</sub></u>	<u>m</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>r</u>
10	12	2	2F <sub>7</sub>	(2)	6	0
11	13	3	12P <sub>1</sub>	(2)	6	1
12	14	0	F <sub>3</sub> + P <sub>3</sub>	(7)	2	0
13	14	3	2P <sub>3</sub> + 2F <sub>5</sub>	(2)	7	0
14	15	0	F <sub>4</sub>	(3)×(5)	1	0
15	<u>17</u>	1	10F <sub>1</sub>	(2)×(2)	4	1
16	16	4	2F <sub>9</sub>	(2)	8	0
17	17	0	5P <sub>1</sub>	(2)×(8)	1	1
18	18	5	2F <sub>9</sub>	(2)	9	0
19	<u>20</u>	1	2P <sub>6</sub>	(2)×(2)	5	0
20	19	2	0	(19)	1	0
21	<u>21</u>	0	F <sub>2</sub> + F <sub>3</sub>	(3)×(7)	1	0
39	<u>33</u>	1	12P <sub>1</sub>	(2)×(2)×(2)	4	1
50	<u>40</u>	1	2F <sub>7</sub>	(2)×(2)×(2)	5	0

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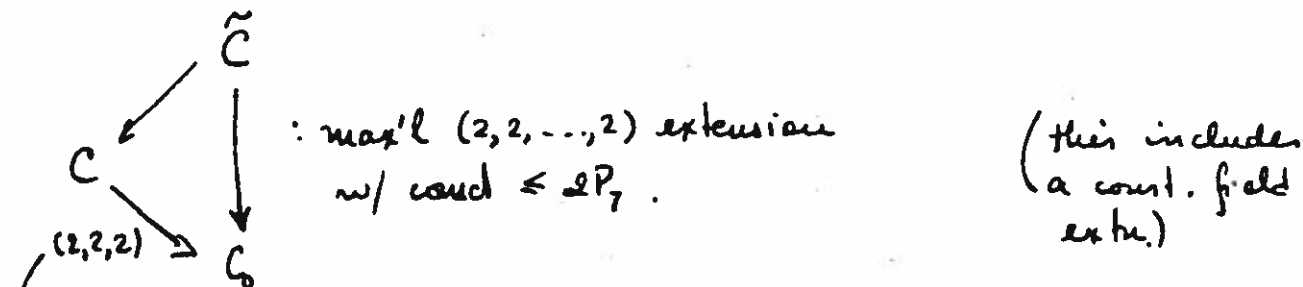
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look at  $\mathcal{C}_m$ :

$$0 \rightarrow L_m \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_m \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_0 = \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

$$L_m = \mathbb{F}_2[[x]]^* / \{1 + (x^2)\} = \mathbb{F}_2^* \times \mathbb{F}_2^7$$

$$\mathcal{C}_m / 2\mathcal{C}_m = \mathbb{F}_2^* \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \quad \text{of type } (2, \dots, 2), \text{ rank } 8.$$



where the 5 pts split. (I.e., choose a quotient of type  $(2, 2, 2)$  such that pts split)

$$2g - 2 = 2^3 (2g_0 - 2) + \sum_{\chi \neq 1} \deg f_\chi$$

$$2g - 2 = 8 \times 0 + (8-1) \times 14$$

$$g = 1 + 7 \times 7 = 50.$$

$\chi = \text{char of order } 2$   
so cond =  $2P_7$  or  
but can't be  
zero so  $f_\chi = 1$





$$g = \frac{20}{N=19}, \quad g_0 = 2, \quad h = 19$$

$$Cl_0 = \mathbb{Z} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{(19)}$$

$$P_1 \nearrow$$

Split so that  $P_1 \rightarrow$  generator. Get an extra. by the quotient

$$\text{Then } 2g - 2 = 19(22 - 2) \rightarrow g = 1 + 19 = 20.$$

For very large  $g$  (say  $g \sim 10^{10}$ ) we only get  $N$  of about the same order (say  $0.2 \cdot 10^{10}$ ) using the class field towers, as before.

For  $10 \leq g \leq 20$ , one might be able to fill some of the gaps.

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OVER FINITE FIELDS

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9/26 Thursday:  $g$  large.

Ihara:  $X$  genus  $g / \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $g \geq 1$

Suppose  $N(X) = q + 1 + 2gq^{1/2}$  (so  $q$  is a square).

Then:  $g \leq \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$

Proof:  $N(X) = 1 + q - \sum_{\alpha=1}^{2g} \pi_{\alpha}$  ( $|\pi_{\alpha}| = q^{1/2}$ )

So we must have all  $\pi_{\alpha} = -q^{1/2}$

So  $\pi_{\alpha}^2 = q$ , and if  $N_2 = N_2(X) = \#(\mathbb{F}_{q^2})$ ,

$$N_2 = 1 + q^2 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^{2g} \pi_{\alpha}^2 = 1 + q^2 - 2gq$$

But  $N_2 \geq N_1$ , so  $1 + q^2 - 2gq \geq 1 + q + 2gq^{1/2}$

$$q^2 - q \geq 2g(q + q^{1/2})$$

$$\text{so } g \leq \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2}) \quad \square$$

B. Segre: Curve in  $\mathbb{P}_3$  given by  $x^{q^{1/2}+1} + y^{q^{1/2}+1} + z^{q^{1/2}+1} = 0$   
 has genus  $g = \frac{1}{2}(q^{1/2})(q^{1/2}-1) = \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$ .  
 (and has  $N = q^{3/2} + 1 = q + 1 + 2gq^{1/2}$ .)

So the bound above is exact.

Proof of  $N = q^{3/2} + 1$  for this curve.

Consider

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{F}_q \\ z \mid \\ \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}} \end{array} \quad x \mapsto \bar{x} = x^{q^{1/2}}$$

Then the eqn is  $x\bar{x} + y\bar{y} + z\bar{z} = 0 \quad x, y, z \in \mathbb{F}_q$ .

Hermitian form! Want: how many isotropic vectors?

E.g.: given  $y, z \in \mathbb{F}_q$ , want to solve

$$q_0 = q^{1/2}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{F}_q \times \mathbb{F}_q \xrightarrow{N} \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}} \times \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}} \\ x \mapsto x\bar{x} \end{array}$$

$x\bar{x} = -(\underbrace{y\bar{y} + z\bar{z}}_{\in \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}}})$  has (in  $x$ )  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ soln. } x=0 \text{ if } y\bar{y} + z\bar{z} = 0 \\ q_0 + 1 \text{ solns if not} \end{array} \right.$

$$y\bar{y} + z\bar{z} = 0 \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} y=0=z \\ \text{or} \\ (z \neq 0, q_0 + 1 \text{ solns in } y) \end{array} \right.$$

so  $1 + (q_0^2 - 1)(q_0 + 1)$  solns

So solns in  $\mathbb{F}_q^3$  is  $1 + (q_0^2 - 1)(q_0 + 1) + (q_0 + 1)(q_0^4 - 1 - (q_0^2 - 1)(q_0 + 1))$

so  $N = \frac{(\text{this}) - 1}{(q^2 - 1)} = (q_0 + 1) \frac{1 + q_0^2 + 1 - q_0 + 1}{(q^2 - 1)} = (q_0 + 1)(q_0^2 - q_0 + 1)$

		group acts	
	$g=0$ , $q+1$ pts	$\mathbb{P}_1$ , $PGL_2$	(type $A_1$ )
	$g = \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$ , $q^{3/2} + 1$	Fermat-type curve, $PU_3$	(type $A_2^2$ ) ( ${}^2A_2$ )
all odd	}	$q^2 + 1$	$S_2$ ${}^2B_2$
		$q^3 + 1$	$Rec$ ${}^2G_2$

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When is the Weil bound attained?

$g$  square.

Then  $N = q + 1 + 2gq^{1/2} \Rightarrow g = ?$

$g = \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$  is a possibility, and is the maximum.

For  $0 \leq g \leq \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2})$  ?

Examples: 1)  $q = 4$ , so  $q^{1/2} = 2$

The Fermat curve is  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 0$ , so  $y = 1$ , has 9 points

2)  $q = 9$ , so  $q^{1/2} = 3$ , get  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 = 0$ ,  $g = 5$ .

Have curves for  $g = 1, q = 9$ .

For  $g = 2$ , no such curve!

Would give  $N = 1 + 9 + 4 \cdot 3 = 22$ ;

but  $g=2$  is 2-sheeted cov. of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ , and  $\mathbb{P}^1$  has  $g=0 \rightarrow 10$  points, so  $N \leq 20$ .

(In fact, correct bd is 20).

$$3) g=16, \quad g^{1/2}=4 \quad x^5+y^5+z^5=0.$$

Weil bound is  $1+16+2g \cdot 4 = 17+8g$

$$g=1 \rightarrow 25 \text{ OK}$$

$$g=2 \rightarrow 33 \text{ OK}$$

} see table

$g=3 \rightarrow 41$  not the bound (bound is 38).

$g=4, 5$  ?

$g=6 \rightarrow$  yes, and the last one.

Suppose  $X$  has Weil upper bound =  $N(X)$  (or Weil lower bound).

And suppose

$$\begin{array}{c} X \\ \downarrow \text{non-const. morphism} \\ X' \end{array}$$

Then same holds for  $X'$ .

Trick of Jac's. In  $X$ , every eigenvalue is  $-g^{1/2}$  or  $g^{1/2}$

and  $J(X') \hookrightarrow J(X)$  so eigenvalues on  $J(X')$  must be a subset of those on  $J(X)$ , but these are  $\pm g^{1/2}$ .

# Explicit Formulas

Number Fields



and take  $\sum f(\log p)$

And we want a formula:  $\sum f(\log p) = -\sum_{z \text{ zero of } \zeta} \phi(z) + \phi(0) + \phi(1)$

$\phi$  = Fourier Mellin transform of  $f$

Sketch: \* includes  $\log d$ , and choose  $f, \phi$  well  
Get inequality for  $d \rightarrow$  Stark, Odlyzko, Poitrou

## Notations

$X, q, \varphi, \pi_\alpha$  eigenvalues of Frob arranged as  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_g, \bar{\pi}_i$

$$\pi_\alpha = q^{1/2} e^{i\varphi_\alpha}, \quad 0 \leq \varphi_\alpha \leq \pi$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_n &= \# X(\mathbb{F}_q) = 1 + q^n - \sum_{\alpha=1}^g (\pi_\alpha^n + \bar{\pi}_\alpha^n) \\ &= 1 + q^n - 2 \sum_{\alpha=1}^g q^{n/2} \cos n\varphi_\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$Z(T) =$  zeta-fct of  $X$

$$Z(T) = \prod_{\alpha=1}^g \frac{1 - \pi_\alpha T}{1 - \bar{\pi}_\alpha T}$$

where

$$\rho(T) = \prod_{\alpha=1}^g (1 - \pi_\alpha T)$$



$$a_1 = N_1 = N$$

Also if  $a_d$  = number of "pts of degree  $d$ " of the scheme  $X$ .

pt of degree  $d$  = orbit of Frob of order  $d$  in  $X(\mathbb{F}_q)$ .

$$\text{Have } N_n = \sum_{d|n} d a_d \quad (\text{clear!})$$

$$\text{And } Z(T) = \prod_{\substack{P \in X \\ \text{closed pt}}} \frac{1}{1 - T^{\deg P}}$$

$$= \prod_{d \geq 1} \frac{1}{(1 - T^d)^{a_d}}$$

Let  $f(\theta)$  be a trigonometric polynomial of the form

$$f(\theta) = 1 + 2 \sum_{n \geq 1} c_n \cos n\theta \quad (\text{finite sum}).$$

$$= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n e^{in\theta} \quad (c_0 = 1, c_{-n} = c_n).$$

To  $f$  I attach polynomials in  $t$ :

$$\Psi_f(t) = \sum_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ d|n}} c_n t^n$$

"Explicit formula"

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} f(\Psi_{\alpha}) + \sum_{d \geq 1} da_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) = g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} f(\Psi_{\alpha}) &= g + 2 \sum_{n, \alpha} c_n \cos n \Psi_{\alpha} \\ &= g + 2 \sum_n c_n \sum_{\alpha} \cos n \Psi_{\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_n &= q^{n+1} - q^{-n/2} \sum_{\alpha} 2 \\ \text{so } \sum_{\alpha} 2 \cos n \Psi_{\alpha} &= \frac{q^{n+1}}{q} \end{aligned}$$

$$= g + \sum_{n \geq 1} c_n \left( \underbrace{q^{1/2}}_{\Psi(q^{1/2})} + \underbrace{q^{-1/2}}_{\Psi(q^{-1/2})} - q^{-n/2} N_n \right)$$

Need only show that

$$\sum da_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \stackrel{?}{=} \sum c_n q^{-n/2} N_n$$

$$\sum da_d \sum_{d|n} c_n q^{-n/2} \stackrel{?}{=} \sum c_n q^{-n/2} \sum_{d|n} da_d$$

so OK.



Examples:

$$i) f=1 : c_n = 0 \quad n \geq 1, \quad \psi_d = 0$$

$$\text{Get } g = q.$$

$$ii) f = 1 + \cos \theta \quad c_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad c_n = 0 \quad n \geq 2.$$

$$\psi_1 = \psi = \frac{1}{2} t$$

$$\psi_n = 0 \quad n \geq 2$$

Then:

$$f + \sum_{\alpha} \cos \psi_{\alpha} + N \frac{1}{2} q^{-1/2} = f + \frac{1}{2} q^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{2} q^{1/2}$$

$\times 2q^{1/2}$ :

$$q^{1/2} \sum_{\alpha} 2 \cos \psi_{\alpha} + N = 1 + q$$

$$\text{so } \boxed{N = q + 1 - q^{1/2} \sum_{\alpha} 2 \cos \psi_{\alpha}}$$

is Weil's  
formula.

Assumptions : (1)  $f(\theta) \geq 0$  for all  $\theta$

(2)  $c_n \geq 0$  for all  $n$

Abbreviate: "f is doubly positive",  $f \gg 0$ .

Examples:  $f=1, f=1+\cos \theta$

Now if  $f \gg 0$ ,

$$\sum_{d \geq 1} f(\Psi_d) + \sum_{d \geq 1} d a_d \Psi_d(\quad)$$

$\downarrow$        $\geq 0$   
 $\geq 0$        $\geq 0$

So in that case one gets

$$\sum_{d \geq 1} d a_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$$

3) Taking only  $d=1$  ( $a_1 = N$ ), get  $N \Psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$

$$\text{so } N-1 \leq \frac{g + \Psi(q^{1/2})}{\Psi(q^{-1/2})}$$

Now: we want to choose  $f$  so that this is optimal.

Also get

$$g \geq (N-1) \Psi(q^{-1/2}) - \Psi(q^{1/2})$$

One can then do:

- determine (for a given  $N, q$ ), the "best" bound on  $g$ .  
Solved by Desterlé (at least for  $q \geq 3$ )

- ② Asymptotic results as  $g \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $q$  fixed.
- ③ Nice special cases (Suzuki & Ree curves)
- ④ Numerical bounds, say, for  $g=2$ .

For  $N=q+1$ ,  $N=q^{3/2}+1$  we know

$$N=q+1 \quad g=0$$

$$N=q^{3/2}+1 \quad g = \frac{1}{2}(q - q^{1/2}) \text{ if a square}$$

For  $N=q^2+1$

$$\text{Choose } f = 1 + \sqrt{2} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{2} \cos \theta)^2$$

Then  $f \gg 0$ .

$$\text{Then } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \psi(t) = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{2}t + \frac{1}{2}t^2) \\ \psi_2(t) = \frac{1}{4}t^2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$N-1 = q^2$$

$$\text{Find } g \geq \left[ q^2 \left( \sqrt{2}q^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{2}q^{-1} \right) - \left( \sqrt{2}q^{1/2} + \frac{1}{2}q \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\text{so } \boxed{g \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} (q^{3/2} - q^{1/2})}$$

Is there such a curve?

$$g \stackrel{?}{=} \sqrt{\frac{2}{-1}} (q^{3/2} - q^{1/2}) = \frac{(2q)^{1/2}}{-1} (q - 1) \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} q = 2^{2f+1} \\ \nearrow \\ 2q = \text{square} \end{matrix}$$

↔ Suzuki groups?

Deligne-Lusztig varieties connected to semi-simple groups over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  and their twisted forms.

$S_2 \leftrightarrow$  "  $B_2$  " - groups

Take, say,  $SL_n$  and Frobenius  $x \mapsto x^{(q)}$

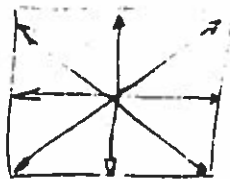
fixed pts give  $SL_n(\mathbb{F}_q)$

Now use  $x \mapsto \sigma(x^{(q)})$   $\sigma$  some outer autom. of the group.

If  $\sigma$  is  $u \mapsto {}^t u^{-1}$ , get a different group.

char=2,  $B_2$  has such a "out" autom. (not algebraic)

Root system is



(See Tits in Sem. Bourbaki)

Suzuki groups are groups acting on  $q^2 + 1$  elements,  $q = 2^{2f+1}$   
 Simple if  $f \geq 1$ . Called ~~simple~~  $Sz(q)$ .

$$Sz(2) = C_4 \cdot C_5$$

$Sz(3)$  is simple.

Deligne & Lusztig

Affine curve with no rat'l pt w/ action of  $S_z(q)$ .

Pts at  $\infty$  are  $q^2 + 1$  and give the original representation of  $Sz(q)$ .

Lusztig in Inventiones: general as given, etc.

Next case:  $q^3 + 1$

$$f = \cos^2 \varphi \left(1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \cos \varphi\right)^2 \quad q = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} (q^{3/2} - q^{1/2}) + \frac{1}{2} (q^2 - 1)$$

$q$  integer, = that  $\Rightarrow q = 3^{2f+1}$

Have Ree groups.

We had:

10/3  $X$  curve  $/\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $\pi_\alpha = q^{1/2} e^{i\psi_\alpha}$

genus  $g$

$$f(\theta) = 1 + \sum_{n \geq 1} 2c_n \cos n\theta \quad (\text{finite sum})$$

$$\Psi_d(t) = \sum_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ n \equiv 0 \pmod{d}}} c_n t^n, \quad \Psi = \Psi_1$$

Then 
$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^g f(\psi_\alpha) + \sum_{d \geq 1} d a_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) = g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})$$

$a_d = \#$  closed pts. of degree  $d$

$$N_n = \sum_{d|n} d a_d \quad N_1 = N = a_1$$

df  $f \gg 0$  (i.e.,  $f(\theta) \geq 0$  for all  $\theta$  and  $c_n \geq 0$  for all  $n$ ):

then 
$$\boxed{\sum d a_d \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq g + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2})}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{(N-1) \Psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq g + \Psi(q^{1/2})}$$

(Today: let  $g \rightarrow \infty$ )

Remark: We proved these inequalities for  $X$  projective nonsingular. For  $X$  singular, the bound as stated doesn't work.

$x \rightarrow$  pt of deg 2

collapse:



line became rat's



So should replace  $g$  by sth which "ices" the topology.

$X$  (singular) projective, abs. irred., let  $B = 1^{\text{st}}$  Betti numbers (for  $\ell$ -adic cohomology, for instance).

Then:  $(N-1)\psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq B/2 + \psi(q^{1/2})$

Define the "arithmetic genus"  $p_a(X) = \dim H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$

Known:  $B/2 \leq p_a(X)$ .

So we get  $(N-1)\psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq p_a(X) + \psi(q^{1/2})$ .

Eg:  $X \subset \mathbb{P}^2$  plane curve, abs. irred., of degree  $n$ .

Then  $p_a(X) = \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(n-2)$

Pf (originally was given in terms of  $N_n = \dots$ )

Claim:  $N_n = 1 + q^n - \sum_{i=1}^B \alpha_i^n$   $|\alpha_i| = 1$  or  $q^{1/2}$

Deligne: (Still the Lefschetz formula, except for the wrong size of eigenvalues)

Or: from Weil.  $\square$

Take  $N_n - 1 = q^n - \sum_{i=1}^B \alpha_i^n \geq N - 1$

$$\sum_n c_n q^{-n/2} (N_n - 1) = \sum_n c_n q^{n/2} - \sum_{i, n} c_n q^{-n/2} \alpha_i^n$$

So  $(N-1)\psi(q^{-1/2}) \leq \psi(q^{1/2}) - \sum_{i=1}^B c_n q^{-1/2} \alpha_i^n$

To be proved:  $-\sum_{i=1}^B c_n q^{-1/2} \alpha_i^n \leq \frac{B}{2}$

or  $\operatorname{Re}\left(-\sum_{i=1}^B c_n q^{-1/2} \alpha_i^n\right) \leq \frac{B}{2}$

Since the LHS is real anyway

Consider  $\frac{1}{2} + \psi(t) = F(t)$  polynomial in  $t$

df  $t = e^{i\psi}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(F(e^{i\psi})) = \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{2} + \sum c_n e^{in\psi}\right) = \frac{1}{2} f(\psi) \geq 0$ .

So:  $\operatorname{Re}(F(t)) \geq 0$  for all  $t$  with  $|t|=1$

$\Downarrow$  ex analysis

$\operatorname{Re}(F(t)) \geq 0$  for all  $t$  with  $|t| \leq 1$ .

(apply max. princ. to  $\exp(F(t))$ .  
Get  $|\exp(-F(t))| \leq 1$   
for  $|t|=1$ , hence for  $|t| \leq 1$ .)

Now

$\operatorname{Re}\left(-\sum_{i=1}^B c_n q^{-1/2} \alpha_i^n\right) = \sum_i \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{2} - F(q^{-1/2} \alpha_i)\right)$

and  $|q^{-1/2} \alpha_i| \leq 1$

$\leq \sum_{i=1}^B \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{B}{2}$

so QED.  $\square$

One can do similar things for higher dim'l varieties, in odd dimension.

Example:  $X$  Proj non-sing variety, dim 3, abs. irred.  
 Assume:  $B_1 = 0, B_2 = 1, B_3$  "large"  
 (e.g., any complete intersection)

If  $X$  has  $N$  points, one can prove

$$\frac{B_3}{2} \geq N \Psi(q^{-3/2}) - (\Psi(q^{-3/2}) + \Psi(q^{-1/2}) + \Psi(q^{1/2}) + \Psi(q^{3/2}))$$

(Exercise) (use Deligne - for large  $N$  this gives better bounds)

Now:  $q$  fixed,  $g \rightarrow \infty$

we have:

let  $k \geq 1$  be a fixed integer.

let  $X^\lambda$  be curves of genus  $g_\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$a_d(X^\lambda) =: a_d^\lambda$$

Theorem:  $\limsup_{g_\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{g_\lambda} \sum_{d=1}^k \frac{d a_d^\lambda}{q^{d/2} - 1} \leq 1$ .

Corollary: For  $k=1$ ,  $a_1^\lambda = N^\lambda = \# X^\lambda(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , and we have

$$\limsup_{g_\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N^\lambda}{g_\lambda} \leq q^{1/2} - 1$$

(Thm of D...p. (1-10) d. + 1)

Weil gives  $N^2 \leq 1 + q + 2g^2 q^{1/2}$

so  $\frac{N^2}{g^2} \leq 2q^{1/2} + o(1)$

If  $q=2$ , Weil  $2q^{1/2} = 2.828$ ,  $[2q^{1/2}] = 2$ , But  $q^{1/2} - 1 = 0.414$ .

Proof of Theorem:

We have  $\sum_{d=1}^k da_d^2 \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq g^2 + \Psi(q^{1/2}) + \Psi(q^{-1/2})$

$$\frac{1}{g^2} \sum_{d=1}^k da_d^2 \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq 1 + \frac{1}{g^2} (\quad)$$

$$g^2 \rightarrow \infty : \left[ \limsup \frac{1}{g^2} \sum_{d=1}^k da_d^2 \Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) \leq 1 \right]$$

true for every  $\Psi_d$  coming from an  $f \gg 0$ .

- Lemma:
- ① If  $f \gg 0$ ,  $f = 1 + \sum 2c_n \cos n\theta$ , then  $c_n \leq 1$ .
  - ② For any  $P$ , any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists f$  s.t.  $c_n \geq 1 - \epsilon$  for all  $n=1, \dots, P$ .

(So can get  $f$  like  $1 + 2\cos\theta + 2\cos 2\theta + \dots = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{in\theta} =$  Dirac measure at  $\theta$  on the circle)

If  $c_n = 1$  for all  $n$ , then OK, because  $\Psi(t) = t + t^2 + \dots$

$$\Psi_d(t) = t^d + t^{2d} + \dots = \frac{t^d}{t^d - 1} = \frac{1}{t^{-d} - 1}$$

$$\Psi_d(q^{-1/2}) = \frac{1}{q^{d/2} - 1}$$

Then we need only do a convergence argument using the lemma.  $\square$

Pf of Lemma :

$$\textcircled{1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \cos n\theta \, d\theta \\ \text{and} \\ 1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \, d\theta \end{array} \right.$$

and since  $|\cos n\theta| \leq 1$  we get

$$c_n = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \cos n\theta \, d\theta \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(\theta)| |\cos n\theta| \, d\theta \leq 1$$

② Given  $P, \epsilon$

$P$  integer  $\geq 1$ , let  $t = e^{i\theta}$

Write  $f_P = \frac{1}{2P+1} (t^{-P} + t^{-P+1} + \dots + 1 + \dots + t^P)^2$

$$f_P(\theta) = \frac{1}{2P+1} (1 + 2\cos\theta + \dots + 2\cos P\theta)^2$$

$$f_P = \frac{1}{2P+1} (t^{-2P} + 2t^{-2P+1} + \dots + (2P+1) \cdot 1 + 2Pt + \dots + t^{2P})$$

So  $c_n(f_P) = \frac{2P - n + 1}{2P + 1}$

$\therefore$  fixed  $n$ ,  $P \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $c_n \rightarrow 1$   $\square$

Thara's tower theorem

$X$  as usual /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $g$

$S =$  finite non-empty set of closed points of  $X$

Assumption: There exists a sequence  $X^\lambda \rightarrow X$  of <sup>unramified</sup> finite coverings of  $X$  in which every element of  $S$  splits completely and  $\deg(X^\lambda \rightarrow X) \rightarrow \infty$ .

Then: 
$$\sum_{P \in S} \frac{\deg P}{q^{\deg(P)/2} - 1} \leq g - 1.$$

Special case: If all points in  $S$  are rat'l (deg = 1) we get

$$|S| \leq (g-1)(q^{1/2} - 1)$$

If  $X = \mathbb{P}^1$ ,  $S = \emptyset$ ,  $X^\lambda = X/\mathbb{F}_{q^2}$  constant field extn.  
 then  $\sum = 0 \leq 0 - 1$  is false.  
 So  $S \neq \emptyset$  is necessary.

Proof: 1<sup>st</sup> case: the field of constants of the  $X^\lambda$  is just  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

If  $n^\lambda = [X^\lambda : X] =$  degree of covering, then  $g^\lambda - 1 = n^\lambda(g - 1)$ .  
 (Cover is unramified!)

$$a^\lambda \geq n^\lambda a_1(S)$$

$$a_1(S) = \# \text{ of } P \in S \text{ with } \dots$$

So get  $\limsup_{n^2 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1+n^2(g-1)} \sum \frac{d n^2 a_d(S)}{q^{d/2-1}} \leq 1$

$n^2 \rightarrow \infty$

Now  $\frac{n^2}{1+n^2(g-1)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{g-1}$

so  $\limsup_{n^2 \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\frac{1}{g-1} \sum \frac{d a_d(S)}{q^{d/2-1}}}_{\text{constant!}} \leq 1$

So we get the inequality we want.  $\square$

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2<sup>nd</sup> case: general case.

Note: degree of a const. field extn. has a bound:

Indeed, if  $P \in S$  has degree  $d$ , the degree of the constant field extn divides  $d$ .

Now (take a subsequence) we can assume that the constant field extn is  $\mathbb{F}_{q^d}$  (for some  $d$ ) for all  $\lambda$ .

Then  $X^\lambda$  } ; apply case 1 to the top layer

$$\begin{array}{c} X^\lambda \\ \downarrow \\ X/\mathbb{F}_{q^d} \\ \downarrow \\ X/\mathbb{F}_q \end{array}$$

Every  $P \in S$  gives  $d$  points in  $X/\mathbb{F}_{q^d}$  of degree  $\deg(P)/d$ , and the new "g" is  $g^d$ .

Get 
$$d \sum_{P \in S} \frac{\deg(P)/d}{(q^d)^{\frac{\deg(P)}{2d}} - 1} \leq q^{-1}$$
 which is the 1/2a we want. □

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Let 
$$A(q) = \limsup_{g \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_g(g)}{g}$$

Drinfeld-Vladut Theorem  $\implies$   $A(q) \leq q^{1/2} - 1$

Theorem (Ihara, Zink)

If  $q$  is a square, then  $A(q) \geq q^{1/2} - 1$ .

Corollary: If  $q$  is a square,  $A(q) = q^{1/2} - 1$ .

$A(q)$  is not known for other  $q$ .

Known:  $A(q) > 0$ ;  $A(q) > c \log q$  (some  $c > 0$ ) [Use Golod-Shafarevich!] → next time

For  $q=2$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A(2) \leq 0.414... \quad (= \sqrt{2} - 1) \quad (D-V) \\ A(2) \geq 0.205... \quad (= \frac{8}{39}) \end{array} \right.$$

Proof when  $q = p^2$ : Use modular curves  $X_0(N)$ , etc.

(For  $q = p^{2e}$ ,  $e \geq 2$ , use Shimura curves)

$\Gamma_0(N)$ ,  $X_0(N)$  mod. curve

... ..



Let  $X = X_0(\ell)$ , genus  $g = \frac{\ell+1}{12}$ .

Supersingular points are rat'l /  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$ , and their number  $N^{ss}$  is given by

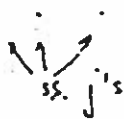
$$N^{ss} = \frac{p-1}{12} (\ell+1)$$

$X_0(\ell)$



$\mathbb{P}^2$

(param. by  $j$ )



$$\text{so } \frac{N}{g} \geq \frac{N^{ss}}{g} = p-1 = g^{1/2} - 1$$

You take  $\ell \rightarrow \infty$ , and the bound is obtained.  $\square$

$$A(q) = \limsup_{q \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_q(g)}{q}$$

Have seen: 1)  $A(q) \leq q^{1/2} - 1$  (Drinfeld - Vladut)

Now 2)  $\forall f$   $q$  is a square,  $A(q) = q^{1/2} - 1$ .

For  $q = p^2$ , modular curves  $\rightarrow$  enough s.s. points.

$\Gamma \subset G \subset GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z})$ ,  $\ell$  prime,  $\ell \geq 3$   
 subgp

Then the modular curve w.r. to  $\Gamma$ , affine, but add pts at  $\infty$ . Corresponds to moduli problem:

$E$  ell. curve + " $\Gamma$ -structure on its  $\ell$ -div. pts"

G-structure: a family  $E_c \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}$

s.t. 1)  $\Psi, \Psi' \in$  family  $\Rightarrow \Psi' = s\Psi$  for some  $s \in \mathbb{G}$

2)  $\Psi' \in$  family,  $s \in \mathbb{G} \Rightarrow s\Psi' \in$  family.

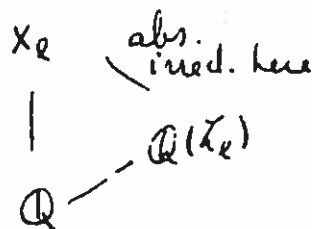
$X_G$  is the moduli space (completed).

Can view in terms of  $X_\ell =$  mod. curve of level  $\ell$  corresp. to  $G = \{\pm 1\}$

$X_\ell$   
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$$GL_2 / \{\pm 1\} \xrightarrow{\det} \mathbb{F}_c^*$$

gives an extension



then:  $X_G = X_c/G$

If  $G \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_c^*$ , then  $X_G$  is defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Assume  $G = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_c^*$

$$\text{so } \det G = \begin{cases} \mathbb{F}_c^* \\ \text{or} \\ (\mathbb{F}_c^*)^2 \end{cases}$$

So ground field is either  $\mathbb{Q}$  or  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{\pm c})$ ,  $\pm c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

Can do this over any  $\mathbb{K}$ , char  $\neq 2$  (for char = 2, Katz & Mazur).

In char  $p$ ,  $p \neq 2$ ,  $X_G$  is defined <sup>over</sup> either  $\mathbb{F}_p$  or  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ .

Theorem: Every ss. point  $((E, \varphi), E \text{ s.s.})$  is rational over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  (or  $X_G$ ).

Pf:  $E$  ss. can be written on  $\mathbb{F}_p^2$ , its Frob. being  $-p$ .  
 So  $-p \in G$  by our assumption, and Frob. stabilizes  $(E, \varphi)$ .  $\square$

a)  $\Gamma_0(\ell)$ -curve:  $G = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix}$  gives our result above.

b) interesting case:  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{F}_\ell^\times \right\}$   $X_G = X(\ell)$

genus of  $X(\ell)$ :  $2g - 2 = \frac{1}{12} (\ell^2 - 1)(\ell - 6)$

# s.s. points:  $/\mathbb{F}_p^2$   $N^{ss} = \frac{(\beta-1)(g-1)}{1 - \frac{6}{\ell}}$

For low values:

$\ell = 7$  Klein curve  $PSL_2(\mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z})$  acts on  $X(\ell)$

$|PSL_2(\mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z})| = 168$

$g = 3$ ,  $N^{ss} = 14(p-1)$

( $PGL_2(\ )$  acts on curve over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $PSL_2$  on curve over  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-7})$ )

Example:

$\beta = 2$ ,	$10$	$N^{ss} = 14$	(over $\mathbb{F}_4$ )
$\beta = 3$ ,		$N^{ss} = 28$	$/\mathbb{F}_9$
$\beta = 5$		$N^{ss} = 56$	$/\mathbb{F}_{25}$

Weil bound is  $1 + p^2 + 6p = \text{resp. } 17, 28, 56$

( $2g\sqrt{p^2} = 6p$ .)

→ for  $p=3,5$ , no rat'l cusps, etc.

Can prove: best for  $p=2$  also.

∴ Klein curve gives us the best for  $g=4, 9, 25$  (also 8, but need: cusps are rational,

alternate approach

$$\text{Jac}(X(7)) = E \times E \times E$$

$E$  has CM by  $\mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1+\sqrt{-7}}{2}\right]$ ,

unique such def /  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  
good red. outside 7,  
grosscharacter

for  $p$  inert:  $\left(\frac{-7}{p}\right) = -1 \rightarrow$  eigen. of  $F_v / \mathbb{F}_p$  in  $E$  is  $\pm\sqrt{-7}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  in  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  it is  $-p$  (twice).

So on  $\text{Jac}(X(7))$ , get  $-p$  (six times), so get the Weil bound for  $p$  inert.

$$l=11, g=26, N^{SS} = 55(p-1)$$

$p=2$  :  $\mathbb{F}_4$ ,  $N^{SS} = 55$  which is best possible (exp. fig.)

$p=3$  :  $\mathbb{F}_9$ ,  $N^{SS} = 110$  (?) (exp. fig. gives  $\leq 111$ ).  
 $= \# X(11)(\mathbb{F}_9)$

The Jac(X(11)) is isogenous to the product of 11 times  $E_1$ , 10 times  $E_2$ , 5 times  $E_3$ ,  $E_i$  ell curves

$E_1$	ell. curve cond 11	$\frac{\text{Aut. IV}}{11}$
$E_2$	" " cond $11^2$ , no CM	$12 _F$
$E_3$	" " cond $11^2$ , CM	$12 _D$

Studied by Ligozat (Mod. Fcts V or VI)

So can check that the  $N^{ss} = N$  (Aut. IV gives eigenvalues of Frob. on these curves).

Theorem (Golod-Safarevič)

Then on Artin local rings:

- $R$  ring,  $I$  two-sided ideal,  $R/I = k$  comm. field.
- Every  $r \in R, r \notin I$  is invertible (i.e.,  $R$  is local w/ max' ideal  $I$ ).
- $R$  is "Artin"  $\iff \begin{cases} I^n = 0 \text{ for large } n \\ \text{and} \\ I^u/I^{u+1} \text{ is a finite dim' } k\text{-vector space} \\ \text{(for } u=0,1,\dots) \end{cases}$

(Example:  $G$  finite  $\ell$ -group,  $R = \mathbb{F}_\ell[G], I = \Delta(G), k = \mathbb{F}_\ell$ .)

Take  $M = \text{f.g. } R\text{-module (left)}$ .

Then  $M/I_M$  is a  $k$ -vector space of finite dim.

(If  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in M$  give a basis for  $M/IM$ , NAK  $\Rightarrow$  they generate  $M$ )

$$M \quad d = d_0(M)$$

Choose  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in M$  generating  $M$ . This gives

$$0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

kernel = module of relations between the  $x_i$   
 $M_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^d$

Up to isom.,  $M_1$  depends only on  $M$ . Define

$$d_1(M) := d_0(M_1) = \text{"number of relations between } x_i \text{"}$$

Also: exact seq. gives:

@ k

$$0 = \text{Tor}_1(\mathbb{R}^d, k) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1(M, k) \rightarrow M_1/IM_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d/IR_d \xrightarrow{\cong} M/IM \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{So find } \text{Tor}_1(M, k) \cong M_1/IM_1,$$

$$\text{so } d_1(M) = \dim_k \text{Tor}_1(M, k)$$

$$d_i(M) = d_0(M_i) \quad M_i = i^{\text{th}} \text{ term of a minimal resolution of } M \\ \text{" } \dim_k \text{Tor}_i(M, k) \text{."}$$

Take  $M=k$ :  $d_0(k)=1$

$$0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow R \rightarrow k \rightarrow 0$$

So  $M_1 = I$  ;  $d_1(k) = \dim_k (I/J^2) = \textcircled{d}$

$d_2(k) = \textcircled{r}$  by defn.

Theorem (Golod-Safarevič, refined by Vinberg and Gashütz)

Assume  $d \geq 1$ , i.e., that  $I \neq 0$ , i.e., that  $R$  is not a field. Then

$$r > \frac{d^2}{4}$$

[One has examples of  $r \sim \frac{d^2}{3}$  or  $\frac{3d^2}{8}$ ;  $\frac{d^2}{2}$  is easy; Best is unknown

[Example: if  $R = \mathbb{Z}/e^2\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $k = \mathbb{Z}/e\mathbb{Z}$ , yet  $M_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}/e\mathbb{Z}$ , so all  $d_i = 1$

Pf: Have  $0 \rightarrow J \rightarrow R^d \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$

$$R^2 \rightarrow J \rightarrow 0$$

So get  $R^2 \xrightarrow{\epsilon} R^d \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$

$\epsilon(R^2) \subset IR^d$

Tensor w/  $R/I^n R$ :

since  $R^d/IR^d \cong I/I^2$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 R^2/I^n R^2 & \rightarrow & R^d/I^n R^d & \rightarrow & I/I^{n+1} \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 & & R^n/I^n R^n & & \\
 & & & & \therefore \epsilon(I^{n+1}R^2) \subset I^n R^d
 \end{array}$$



$$\text{So } \frac{R^2}{I^{n-1}R^2} \rightarrow \frac{R^d}{J^n R^d} \rightarrow \frac{I}{I^{n+1}} \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \geq 1)$$

$$\text{define } a(n) = \ell \left( \frac{R}{I^n R} \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \dim_k \left( \frac{I^i}{I^{i+1}} \right)$$

$$a(0) = 0$$

$$a(1) = 1$$

$$a(2) = 1 + d$$

⋮

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$a(n)$  ultimately constant.

$$\frac{R}{I^2} : \begin{array}{cc} R/I & I/I \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & d \end{array}$$

Now exact seq. above gives:

$$da(n) \leq ra(n-1) + \underbrace{a(n+1) - 1}_{\ell(I/J^{n+1})} \quad n \geq 1$$

Claim: this implies  $r > \frac{d^2}{4}$ .

For this introduce  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(n)t^n = t + (1+d)t^2 + \dots = t f(t)$

$$\text{so } \underline{f(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(n+1)t^n}$$

multiply inequality by  $t^n$  and add:

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} d a(n) t^n < r \sum_{n \geq 1} a(n-1) t^n + \sum_{n \geq 1} a(n+1) t^n - \sum_{n \geq 1} t^n$$

$$d f(t) t < r t^2 f(t) + f(t) - 1 - \sum_{n \geq 1} t^n$$

$$\text{so } d f(t) t < r t^2 f(t) + f(t) - \frac{1}{1-t}$$

$$\text{so } f(t) (r t^2 - d t + 1) > \frac{1}{1-t}$$

Assume  $r \leq \frac{d^2}{4}$ ; then  $r t^2 - d t + 1 = (1 - \lambda t)(1 - \mu t)$   $\lambda, \mu \geq 0$

Now,  $\frac{1}{1-\lambda t}$  has pos. coeffs.

$\lambda$  &  $\mu$  can't both be zero, since  $d \neq 0$ .

Multiply!

$$f(t) > \frac{1}{(1-t)(1-\lambda t)(1-\mu t)}$$

and either  $\lambda$  or  $\mu$  is  $\geq 1$ :  
 $\lambda + \mu = d \geq 1$   
 $\lambda, \mu = r$

But the coeffs of  $f(t)$  are bounded, since the  $a(n)$  are.

So it's enough to show the coeffs of RHS are not bded.

$$\text{RHS} > \frac{1}{(1-t)^2} \text{ coeffs not bded. } \square$$



$d=3, r > \frac{1}{4}$  i.e.,  $r \geq 3$

( $l$  odd): 3 gen.  $z, y, x$

$$\begin{cases} yxy^{-1} = x^{1+l} \\ zyz^{-1} = y^{1+l} \\ xzx^{-1} = z^{1+l} \end{cases}$$

Mennicke  $\rightarrow$  finite group.  $d=3,$

$d=4, r > \frac{16}{4}$  i.e.,  $r \geq 5 \rightarrow$  is  $d=4, r=5$  possible?

(think:  $d=4, r=6$  is.)

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$x_1, \dots, x_d$  with  $(x_i, x_j) = 1, x_i^l = 1$  give  $\frac{d(d-1)}{2} + d$  rels.

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10/17 Class Field Towers

$C$  curve, genus  $g$ , over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $p = \text{char.}$

$K$  its function field.

$l$  a prime number ( $l \neq p$  in  $\mathbb{C}_K$ )

$S$  finite non-empty set of "primes" of  $K$  i.e., of closed points of  $C$ .

look at  $K_1 = \text{max. abelian } l\text{-extension of } K, \text{ (group is abelian \& unramified (everywhere) in which the elements of } S \text{ split completely.}$

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K

Cond. on  $S$  makes it finite (otherwise if  $S = \emptyset$ , have the count. field extn.)

If  $l$  divides the  $\deg(P)$  for every  $P \in S$ , then  $K_1$  contains  $\mathbb{F}_q \cdot K$ . If not, it does not.



Define  $K_2 = (K_1)_S$  with respect to  $S_1 =$  inverse image of  $S$ .

So have  $K \subset K_1 \subset K_2 \subset \dots \subset K_\infty = \bigcup K_n$

$K_\infty = \max.$  <sup>Galois</sup> extensions of  $K$  where  $S$  splits completely, whose Galois group is pro- $l$ , and unramified.

Question: Is  $K_\infty/K$  finite?

Let  $G_S = \text{Gal}(K_\infty/K) = \varprojlim \text{Gal}(K_n/K)$

Assume  $G_S$  is finite; it is an  $l$ -group. Then we have

$$d = \dim H_1(G_S, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \quad (\text{min. nber of generators})$$

$$r = \dim H_2(G_S, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \quad (\text{min. nber of "relations" (as } l\text{-group.)})$$

Theorem: Assume  $G_S$  is finite (i.e., the tower stops). Then

$$r - d \leq \begin{cases} |S| - 1 & \text{if } \ell \nmid q-1 \\ |S| & \text{if } \ell \mid q-1. \end{cases}$$

(We know:  $r > \frac{d^2}{4}$  if  $d \geq 1$  Golod-Shaf., which will give a contradiction for suitable  $S$ .)

Proof (Same as Iwasawa's in No. field case):

First: Using class field theory to find  $\text{Gal}(K_1/K)$ :

$C_K = \text{idèle class group}$

Have

$$1 \rightarrow E_S \rightarrow \prod_{p \in S} K_p^* \times \prod_{v \notin S} U_v \rightarrow C_K \xrightarrow{\text{(quotient)}} Ab_S \rightarrow 1$$

$E_S = S\text{-units}$  (= unit outside  $S$ )

Then  $\text{Gal}(K_1/K) = (Ab_S)_\ell$  ( $\ell$ -part)

Next: Now:  $K_\infty/K$  finite, so  $(K_\infty)_S = K_\infty$

Write seq. for  $K_\infty$ :

$$1 \rightarrow E_{S_\infty} \rightarrow \prod_{\tilde{p} \in S_\infty} K_{\infty, \tilde{p}}^* \times \prod_{\tilde{v} \notin S_\infty} U_{\tilde{v}} \rightarrow C_{K_\infty} \rightarrow Ab_\infty \rightarrow 1$$

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  $S_\infty$ -units of  $K_\infty$

$$(K_\infty)_S = K_\infty \iff (Ab_\infty)_\ell = \{1\}$$

Let  $G = G_S$ ;  $G$  acts on everything.

•  $Ab_\infty$  has trivial cohomology (order prime to  $\ell$ ,  $G$   $\ell$ -group)

Also. For the product

$$K_p^* \text{-fact: } \begin{array}{c} \tilde{P} \supset G \text{ permutes} \\ \downarrow \\ P \in S \end{array} \quad \prod_{\tilde{P} \rightarrow P} K_{\infty, P}^* \text{ is induced (trivial coh.)}$$

$$U_v \text{-fact: } \begin{array}{c} \tilde{v} \\ \downarrow \\ v \end{array} \quad G_v \text{-stab } \tilde{v}$$

Shapiro's lemma:

$$\text{coh} = H^q(G_{\tilde{v}}, U_{\tilde{v}}) = \text{trivial (because everything is unramified)}$$

So LES of coh gives a map

$$\hat{H}^q(G, C_{K_\infty}) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\delta} \hat{H}^{q+1}(G, E_{S_\infty}) \quad \text{for each } q \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$\delta$  is an isom. for all  $q$  because middle term has trivial coh.

$\hat{H}^q$  is Tate cohomology

$$\text{Know: } \hat{H}^q(G, C_{K_\infty}) \xleftarrow[\cong]{\sim} \hat{H}^{q-2}(G, \mathbb{Z})$$

$$u_{K_\infty} \in H^2(G, C_{K_\infty})$$

Choose  $q+1=0$  so  $q=-1$ : Get  $\hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \hat{H}^0(G, E_{S_\infty}) =$

know  $E_S \cong \mathbb{Z}^{|S|-1} \times \mathbb{F}_q^x$ .

We want a quotient of  $E_S / \text{Normal}$  which is an  $\ell$ -group.

So

$$\text{rk}_\ell(\hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z})) \leq \begin{cases} |S|-1 & \text{if } \ell \nmid (q-1) \\ |S| & \text{if } \ell \mid (q-1). \end{cases}$$

It remains to show:  $\text{rk}_\ell(\hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z})) = 2-d$ .

$$\hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z}) = H_2(G, \mathbb{Z})$$

[Group of coeff  $A$ , trivial action  $\Rightarrow$

$$H_q(G, A) = H_q(G, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes A \oplus \text{Tor}_1(H_{q-1}(G, \mathbb{Z}), A)$$

$$q=2, A = \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z} :$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) &= H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z} \oplus \text{Tor}_1(H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}), \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \\ &= H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) / \ell H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \oplus \ell\text{-part of } H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}) \end{aligned}$$

So take ranks:  $r = \text{rk}_\ell(H_2(G, \mathbb{Z})) + d$ .

Since:  $H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) = H_1(G, \mathbb{Z}) / \ell H_1(G, \mathbb{Z})$  since  $H_0$  is free

So  $\text{rk}_\ell \hat{H}^{-3}(G, \mathbb{Z}) = 2-d$  }



Or: look at

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\ell} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

$$d \quad H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\ell} H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_1(\quad) \xrightarrow{\ell} H_1(\quad)$$

$$\text{So } 0 \rightarrow H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) / \ell H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_2(G, \mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \text{Ker}(\ell \text{ in } H_1(G, \mathbb{Z})) \rightarrow$$

So dimensions add. So QED!  $\square$

Theorem: The  $(S-\ell)$  class field tower of  $K$  is infinite if  $|S| \geq \frac{d^2}{4} - d + \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \ell \mid (g-1) \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$ , and  $d \geq 2$ .

Pf: Otherwise

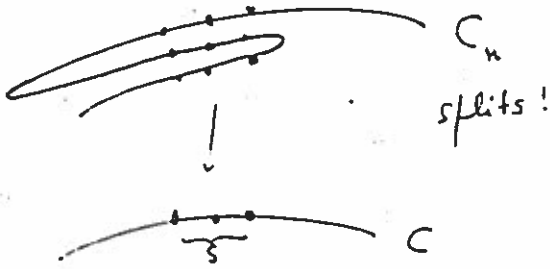
$$r - d \leq \begin{cases} |S| - 1 \\ |S| \end{cases}$$

$$r > \frac{d^2}{4} \quad \text{if } d \geq 1$$

And of course  $d=1$  doesn't work (get  $|S| \leq \frac{1}{4}$ )  $\square$

Suppose that all elements in  $S$  have degree 1, i.e.,  $S$  is made up of rational points, and assume that the corresp. class field tower is infinite.

Then  $A(g) \geq \frac{|S|}{g-1}$ , where  $A(g) = \limsup_{g \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_g(g)}{g}$   
 $g_c = \text{genus of } \mathcal{C}$ .



So nber of rat'l pts of  $C_n \geq [C_n : C] \cdot 1$   
 genus of  $C_n = g_{C_n}$ ;  $g_{C_n} - 1 = [C_n : C](g_C - 1)$

Notice that  $g_C \geq 2$  (For  $g_C = 0$ , no unr. coverings;  
 for  $g_C = 1$ , covering would have  $g_{C_n} = 1$   
 and nber pts  $\rightarrow \infty$  !)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \frac{N_q(g_n)}{g_n} &\geq |S| \frac{[C_n : C]}{1 + [C_n : C](g_C - 1)} \\ &\geq |S| \frac{1}{\frac{1}{[C_n : C]} + g_C - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$n \rightarrow \infty$  so

$$\boxed{A(q) \geq \frac{|S|}{g_C - 1}}$$

Corollary: If  $(S, C)$  satisfy  $|S| \leq \frac{d^2}{4} - d + \{c\}$ ,  $d \geq 2$ ,  
 then  $A(q) \geq \frac{|S|}{g_C - 1}$

(and in particular  $A(q) > 0$ ).

• For every  $g$ , we want to find  $K, S, \ell$  satisfying

$$(*) : |S| \leq \frac{d^2}{4} - d + \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \ell \nmid g \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}, \quad d \geq 2.$$

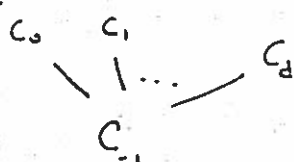
We'll want to take  $|S|=1$ ,  $d \geq 5$ .

We'll choose  $\ell=2$  (So for  $g$  odd, enough to find  $d \geq 4$ ).

Construction (char =  $p \neq 2$ )

Choose  $\ell=2$ ;  $K$  will be some quadratic extension of  $K_0 = \mathbb{F}_q(T)$  corresp. to curve  $C_0$  of genus 0.

Want



point at  $\infty$  should split completely.

Let  $\Phi_0, \dots, \Phi_d$  be indep. monic polyn. of even degree distinct

Then define  $C_i$  by  $y_i^2 = \Phi_i(T)$ .

$$y_i^2 = T^{\text{even}} + \dots \Rightarrow \infty \text{ is split in each } C_i$$

So set  $K = \overline{\mathbb{F}_q}(T, \sqrt{\Phi_0 \dots \Phi_d})$

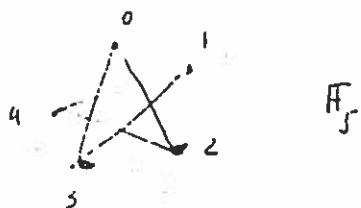
Over  $K$ ,  $\mathbb{I}$  have  $d$  indep. quadratic extens, unramified,  $\infty$  splits completely.

Choose  $d=5$  for instance, and the "d" in the theorem is then at least 5. so done  $\square$

For char = 2, do the same with Artin-Schreier extensions

You want: In  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $A, B \subset \mathbb{F}_q$  as large as possible  
 s.t. every  $a - b$ , for  $a \in A, b \in B$ , is a non-square.

E.g.  $q=5$



Join pts whose difference is not a square

Want: a maximal complete bipartite graph embedded in this graph



Call this a B-sub-graph

E.g.



in our case.

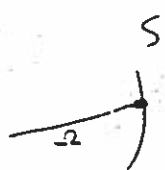
Graph theorem

Let  $R, S$  be two finite sets,  $\Omega \subset R \times S$ .

Let  $m \geq 1$  be such that every  $s \in S$  is  $\Omega$ -related to at least  $m$  points of  $R$ .

Let  $a, b$  be integers  $\geq 1$  such that  $b \binom{|R|}{a} \leq |S| \binom{m}{a}$ . (\*)

Then  $\exists A \subset R$  and  $B \subset S$  with  $\begin{cases} |A| = a, |B| = b \\ A \times B \subset \Omega \end{cases}$



Let  $X = \text{set of pairs } (A, s) \text{ with } |A| = a, s \in S$   
and  $A \times \{s\} \subset \Omega$ .

Then  $|X| = ?$

$$\text{Project } \begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\psi} & S \\ (A, s) & \longmapsto & s \end{array}$$

Let  $R(s)$  be the subset of  $R$  made of the elements  $r$   
s.t.  $(r, s) \in \Omega$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } |\psi^{-1}(s)| &= \text{uber subsets of } R(s) \text{ w/ } a \text{ elements} \\ &= \binom{|R(s)|}{a} \geq \binom{m}{a} \quad \text{since } |R(s)| \geq m \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } |X| \geq |S| \binom{m}{a}$$

$$\text{Then } \begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\psi} & \text{Set of subsets of } R \text{ with } a \text{ elements} \\ (A, s) & \longmapsto & A \end{array} \leftarrow \text{has } \binom{|R|}{a} \text{ elements.}$$

Hence some fiber of  $\psi$  has at least  $|X| / \binom{|R|}{a}$  elements

$$\text{But } \frac{|X|}{\binom{|R|}{a}} \geq \frac{|S| \binom{m}{a}}{\binom{|R|}{a}} \geq b.$$

So choose  $A$  whose fiber has  $\geq b$  elements, and  
choose  $B$  in the fiber with  $|B| = b$ . Done!  $\square$

10/23 Class Field Towers (cont.)

We showed:  $\Omega \subset R \times S$

If  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{every } s \in S \text{ is } \Omega\text{-related to at least } m \text{ elements} \\ \text{of } R \end{array} \right.$

then  $\exists A \subset R, B \subset S, |A|=a, |B|=b$  given,  
s.t.  $A \times B \subset \Omega$

provided that  $b \binom{|R|}{a} \leq |S| \binom{m}{a}$ .

For  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $q = p^e$ ,  $p \neq 2$ :

Take  $R = S = \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $\Omega = \{(r, s) \mid r - s \text{ is a nonzero square in } \mathbb{F}_q\}$   
so  $m = \frac{q-1}{2}$ .

Let  $q \mapsto a(q), b(q)$  be two functions of a variable  $q$ , with integral values  $\geq 1$  for  $q = p^e$ ,  $p$  prime  $\neq 2$ , with

$$\begin{cases} a(q) \leq c_1 \log q \\ b(q) \leq q^{c_2} \end{cases}$$

where  $c_2 + c_1 \log 2 < 1$ .

Claim: Then, for  $q$  large enough, there exists  $A, B \subset \mathbb{F}_q$   
with  $|A| = a(q)$ ,  $|B| = b(q)$ , and  $A \times B \subset \Omega$ .

[This is approx. what the naive approach would give

$b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$

$q \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\alpha$  ?

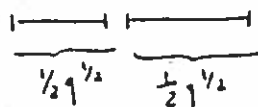
$$\alpha \sim \log q \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\alpha = \frac{1}{q^\epsilon}$$

which suggests  $a(q) \leq c_1 \log q$  is reasonable ]

If  $q$  is a square,

$\mathbb{F}_q$

$\mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}}$



every difference  $\in \mathbb{F}_{q^{1/2}} \subset (\mathbb{F}_q)^2$

So  $a(q) \leq q^{1/2}$ ,  $b(q) \leq q^{1/2}$ . Much larger!

Proof of Claim

To be checked: for  $q$  large enough,

$$b(q) \binom{q}{a(q)} \stackrel{?}{\leq} q \binom{\frac{q-1}{2}}{a(q)}$$

i.e., 
$$b(q) \frac{q!}{(q-a(q))!} \stackrel{?}{\leq} q \frac{\left(\frac{q-1}{2}\right)!}{\left(\frac{q-1}{2} - a(q)\right)!}$$

Stirling:  $\log_q(x!) = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right) \log_q x - x + O(1)$

Suppose  $1 \leq y \leq x^{1/2}$ . Then

$$\log \left( \frac{x!}{(x-y)!} \right) = (x + \frac{1}{2}) \log x - x - (x-y + \frac{1}{2}) (\log x + \log(1 - \frac{y}{x})) + x - y + O(1)$$

$$= y \log x + O(1)$$

$$\left[ \begin{aligned} \text{Since } & -y - (x-y + \frac{1}{2}) \log(1 - \frac{y}{x}) = \\ & = -y - \overbrace{(x-y + \frac{1}{2})}^{\substack{y^2 \leq 1 \\ \text{---}}} \left( -\frac{y}{x} + O\left(\frac{y^2}{x^2}\right) \right) \\ & = O(1) \end{aligned} \right]$$

So check that

$$\log b(q) + a(q) \log q + O(1) \stackrel{?}{\leq} \log q + a(q) \log \frac{q-1}{2}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a(q) &\leq c_1 \log q \\ b(q) &\leq q^{c_2} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\log b(q) \leq c_2 \log q.$$

$$\text{So } \log q - \log b(q) \stackrel{?}{\geq} a(q) (\log q - \log \frac{q-1}{2}) + O(1)$$



So  $a(q) (\log q - \log \frac{q-1}{2}) + O(1) \leq c_1 \log q (\log 2 + o(1))$   
 $\log q - \log b(q) \geq (\log q) (1 - c_2)$

So want  $\boxed{1 - c_2 > c_1 \log 2}$ , which is our condition.  $\square$

Starting from such  $A, B \subset \mathbb{F}_q$ , we make a 2-class field tower starting from  $\mathbb{P}_1$  and making quadratic extensions.

Assume  $a = \text{even} = 2\alpha$

Write  $\{a_1, a_1', \dots, a_\alpha, a_\alpha'\} = A$ .

If  $t$  is the variable in  $\mathbb{P}_1$ , take the quad. extn. given by  
 $\sqrt{(t-a_i)(t-a_i')} \quad i=1, \dots, \alpha$ .

(So Fct. field is  $\mathbb{F}_q(t, \sqrt{(t-a_i)(t-a_i')})$ )

In that ext., the points of  $B$  split completely (by our choice of  $\geq 2$ ).

Now go to  $C \leftarrow \mathbb{F}_q(t, \sqrt{\prod (t-a_i)(t-a_i')})$

Elements of  $B$  give  $B_C = \text{subset of } C \text{ coming from } B$ ,

$$|B_C| = 2|B| = 2b(q)$$

and  $C$  has  $\alpha-1$  independent quadratic extns which are unramified and where  $B_C$  splits completely.

The 2-class field tower is infinite if  $|B_c| \leq \frac{(\alpha-1)^2}{4} - (\alpha-1)$

So choose  $\alpha \sim c \log q$

$$|B_c| \sim c' (\log q)^2$$

if  $c' < \frac{c}{4}$ , the condn. is satisfied.

Hence, infinite class field tower, so

$$A(q) \geq \frac{|B_c|}{g_c - 1} = \frac{(\log q)^2}{\log q} = \log q.$$

$C$  is hyperelliptic, ramified at  $2\alpha = a(q)$  pts, and so  $g_c = \alpha - 1 = \log q$ .

So  $\boxed{A(q) \geq c \log q}$  for some  $c$ . (For  $q$  odd).

When  $q$  is a square, we can take  $|B_c| \approx q^{1/2}$ ,  $g_c = q^{1/4}$ , so get  $A(q) \geq c q^{1/4}$ .

(But modular tower gives  $q^{1/2}$ ).

For  $q = 2^e$ , can use } Artin-Schreier extns  
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} c' \\ \text{a 3-tower} \end{array} \right\}$

Construction for  $g=2$       Claim:  $A(2) \geq \frac{2}{9} = 0.222\dots$

First: Simple construction for  $A(2) \geq \frac{1}{5} = 0.2$ .

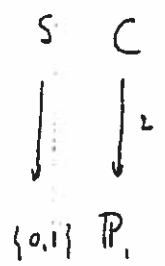
Take  $\mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{2/1} \mathbb{P}_1$

$$y^2 + y = t^3 + t + \sum_{\substack{\text{irred poly } \varphi(t) \\ \text{of deg } 2, 3, 4}} \frac{t^2 + t}{\varphi(t)}$$

So: sum is over  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{deg } 2 \rightarrow t^2 + t + 1 \\ \text{deg } 3 \rightarrow t^3 + t + 1, t^3 + t^2 + 1 \\ \text{deg } 4 \rightarrow t^4 + t + 1, t^4 + t^3 + 1, t^4 + t^3 + t^2 + t + 1 \end{array} \right.$

We'll see  $g_c = 21$ .

Take  $\{0, 1\} \subset \mathbb{P}_1$ ; these split completely in  $\mathbb{C}$  to give a set  $S$  of 4 pts.

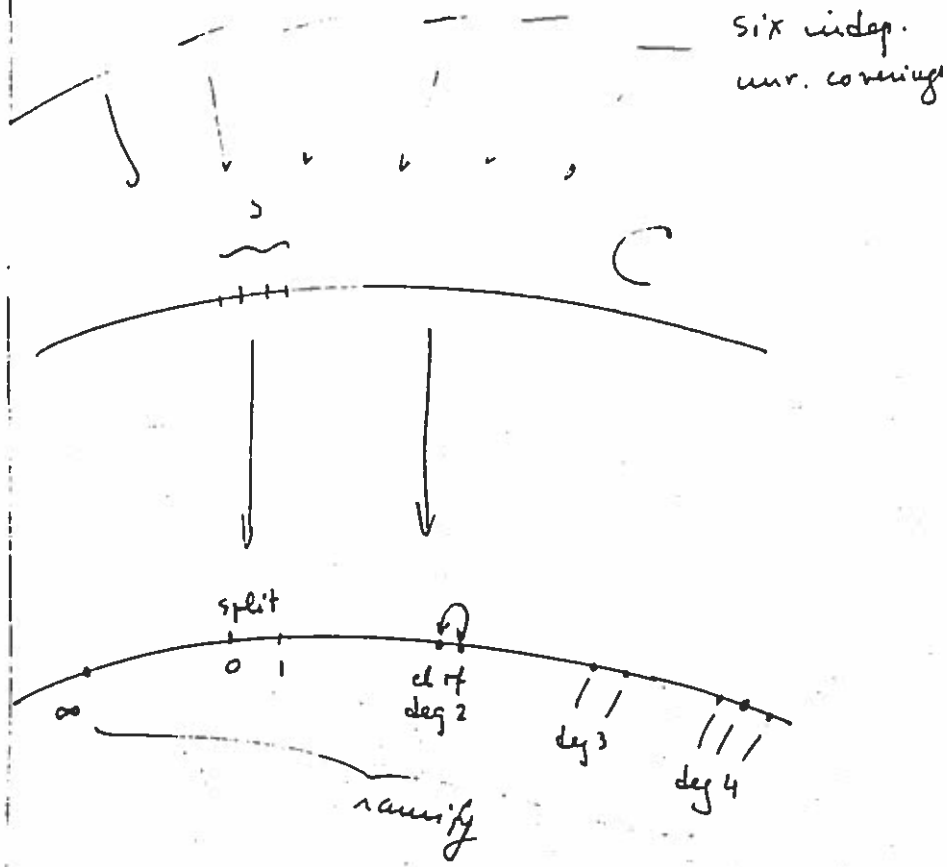


Have 6 indep. unramified quad. extns, given by  $y^2 + y = \frac{t^2 + t}{\varphi(t)}$  for the six  $\varphi(t)$  above

and  $\{0, 1\}$  split completely. (Same argument as before.)

$\mathbb{C}$  is ramif at roots of  $\varphi(t)$  and at  $\infty$ .

? picture  $\rightarrow$



Assume:  $g_c = 21$ , class field tower is infinite.

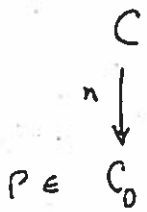
Then  $A(2) \geq \frac{|S|}{g-1} = \frac{4}{21-1} = \frac{4}{20} = \frac{1}{5}$ .

Class Field Tower: condition is  $|S| \leq \frac{d^2}{4} - d + 1$

$|S|=4$ ,  $d \geq 6$ , so  $\frac{d^2}{4} - d + 1 \geq \frac{36}{4} - 6 + 1 \geq 4$ .

So class field tower is infinite.

Genus: Know:  $g_c - 1 = n(g_{c_0} - 1) + \sum \text{contrib. of ramification}$ .



Go to alg. closure: take a local param  $t$  at  $P$ , look at d.t. lift it to  $C$ .  
 Ramif  $\Rightarrow$  d.t will have zero on the fiber

and

To see this, take  $w$  diff'l form  $\neq 0$  on  $C_0$ , w/o zero or pole at the ramif. pts.

lift to  $w_c$ . Now  $2g_c - 2 = \deg(w_c) = n \deg(w) + \text{extra zeros}$   
 $= n \deg(w) + \sum \text{deg of dt on fibers}$

Now divide by 2 to get the formula.

Now suppose  $p=2$ , Artin-Schreier extn  $y^2 + y = \psi(t)$

local computation, no work in field of power series.

$$\psi(t) = \frac{c_0}{t^n} + \dots \quad n \text{ odd} \geq 1.$$

[ If  $\psi$  is hol., no ramif.; if  $\frac{1}{t^2} + \dots$ , remove  $\psi - (\frac{1}{t^2} + \frac{1}{t})$  until we get  $n$  odd ]

Claim: local contrib at that place is  $\frac{1}{2}(n+1)$ ,  
 i.e., "deg of dt in extension" =  $n+1$  (even)

$K$   
 $|$   
 $2$   
 $|$   
 $K_0$

$$v_K(y) = \frac{1}{2} v_K\left(\frac{1}{t^n}\right) = -n \quad \text{since } v(t) = 2 \text{ (ramification)}$$

$$dy = \frac{c_0}{t^{n+1}} dt + \dots \quad (\text{char } 2)$$

If  $\theta$  local parameter of  $K$ ,

$$y = \theta^{-n} \cdot \text{unit},$$

so  $dy = \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} + \dots$

so  $v_K(dy) = -(n+1)$

So  $v_K(dy) = -2(n+1) + v_K(dt) \Rightarrow v_K(dt) = n+1.$

In our case,  $y^2 + y = t^3 + t + \sum_{\deg 2,3,4} \frac{t^2 + t}{\varphi(t)}$

↙  
pole of order 3 = n  
at  $\infty$   
 $\frac{1}{2}(n+1) = 2$

↘ simple poles at these  
deg  $\varphi = 2 \rightarrow$  two simple poles  
 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(2) + \frac{1}{2}(2) = 2$

So  $g_C - 1 = 2(g_{\mathbb{C}_0} - 1) + \sum \text{local contrib}$  Same for deg  $\varphi = 3$  or 4.

$= -2 + 2 + \sum \deg \varphi$

$= -2 + 2 + 20$

So  $\boxed{g_C = 21}$ . □

Lemma Let  $C$  be a curve over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ ; let  $S$  be a set of closed points of  $C$ , let  $\underline{m}$  be a positive divisor of  $C$  disjoint from  $S$ . Assume that  $\deg(\underline{m}) \geq 151$ . Then there is a quadratic extension of  $C$  which is unramified outside  $\underline{m}$ , where  $S$  splits completely and where the contribution of ramification is at most  $\deg \underline{m}$ .

Proof - later (done by CFT)

Assuming the lemma, we can improve the result above:

Choose  $C$  = an elliptic curve with 2 rational points (and no more).

$$N_1 = \# C(\mathbb{F}_2) = 2$$

$$\text{Now } N_n = \# C(\mathbb{F}_n) = 1 + 2^n - \underbrace{(\pi^n + \bar{\pi}^n)}_{t_n}$$

$$\text{and } t_n = t_{n-1} + t_1 - q t_{n-2} \quad \text{since } \pi \bar{\pi} = q !$$

$$\text{Here } t_0 = 2, t_1 = 1, q = 2 \quad (N_1 = 2 = 1 + 2 - t_1)$$

$$\text{So } t_n = t_{n-1} - 2 t_{n-2}$$

$$\text{So } t_2 = -3, t_3 = -5, t_4 = 1$$

$$\therefore N_1 = 2, N_2 = 8, N_3 = 14, N_4 = 16$$

If  $a_i$  = # of closed pts of  $C/\mathbb{F}_2$  of degree  $i$  (so  $N_n = \sum_{i|n} i a_i$ )

$$\text{So } a_2 = 3, a_3 = 4, a_4 = 2.$$

lots of these

s.t. two rat'l pts split completely

Make 7 quadratic extensions of  $C$  ramified each at a different closed pt of degree 2 or 3; contrib. to ramification will be just 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3.

with same instructions before

$$d = 6 \text{ as before, and } g - 1 = 2(1 - 1) + \sum \text{contrib}$$

$$g - 1 = 18 \implies g = 19$$





10/31 Something from CFT

$X$  curve /  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , genus  $g$ ,  $K$  fct. field.

(modulus)  $\underline{m} = \sum_{P \in S} n_P P$  be a positive divisor,  $S$  finite,  $n_P \geq 1$ ,  $P$  closed.

$$\text{Cl}_{\underline{m}}(X) = \left\{ \text{divisors of } X \text{ prime to } S \right\} / \left\{ (f) \right\}$$

where  $f \in K^*$ , and  $f \equiv 1 \pmod{\underline{m}}$

(this means that  $f \in 1 + \max_P n_P$  locally at each  $P \in S$ , or equiv.  $v_P(f-1) \geq n_P \forall P \in S$ ).

If  $\underline{m} = 0$ ,  $\text{Cl}_0(X) = \text{Pic}(X)$   
 $\text{Cl}(X)$

Recall  $\boxed{0 \rightarrow J(\mathbb{F}_q) \rightarrow \text{Cl}(X) \xrightarrow{\text{deg}} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0}$  exact

and

$$0 \rightarrow \text{kernel} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_{\underline{m}}(X) \rightarrow \text{Cl}(X) \rightarrow 0$$

$\downarrow$   $\uparrow$  divisors  $\uparrow$  almost divisors.

assume  $\underline{m} \neq 0$ ; ~~if~~ if  $U_P = \text{local units at } P$ ,  $U_i = \{u \in U_P \mid v(u-1) \geq n_P\}$

We have  $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^* \rightarrow \prod U_P / U_i^{(n_P)} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_{\underline{m}}(X) \rightarrow \text{Cl}(X) \rightarrow 0$

CFT:

Let  $G$  be a finite group and let

$$\alpha: \text{Cl}_K(X) \rightarrow G \quad \text{be onto.}$$

Then CFT constructs an abelian extension  $K_2/K$  with Galois group  $G$  s.t.

1)  $K_2/K$  unramified outside  $S$

2) If  $P \notin S$ , the Frob of  $P$  in  $G$  is the image by  $\alpha$  of " $P$ ", viewed as a divisor.

3) If  $P \in S$ , the map

$$U_P \rightarrow \text{Cl}_K(X) \xrightarrow{\alpha} G$$

is the one attached by local class field theory, and the image is the inertia group.

I also have  $K_P^\times \rightarrow G$ , image is decoup. group.

Let  $P_1, \dots, P_s$  be closed points disjoint from  $S$ .  
If I want extra in which these split completely, I have:

To have  $P_i$  split in  $K_x/K$  it is nec. & suff. that  $\alpha((P_i)) = 0$ ,  $(P_i) \in \text{Cl}_x(X)$ .

Let  $l$  be a prime number, let  $d_p = l$ -rank of  $U_p/U_p^{(q)}$  (this is a group of order  $(q^{\deg(P)} - 1)q^{(n_p-1)\deg(P)}$ )

Let  $\epsilon = l$ -rank of  $\mathbb{F}_q^x$  (0 if  $l \nmid q-1$ , 1 if  $l \mid q-1$ )

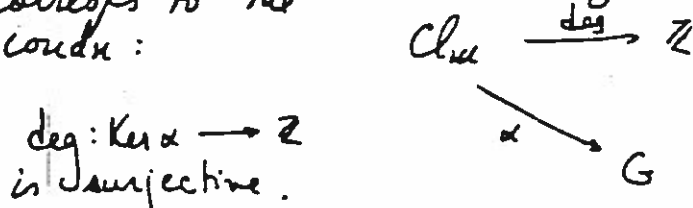
Assume that  $s \leq \sum d_p - \epsilon$ .  
Claim } Then:  $\exists$  a cyclic extension of deg  $l$ , obtained through an  $\alpha$ , where the  $P_i$ 's split completely.

Have  $0 \rightarrow \text{Local} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_x \rightarrow J(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$ ,  
 so  $\text{Cl}_x \cong \mathbb{Z} \times \Phi$   $\Phi \supset \text{Local}$ , finite.

So  $l$ -rank of  $\text{Cl}_x/l\text{Cl}_x$  is  $\geq 1 + \sum d_p - \epsilon$ .

There is a hyperplane  $\text{Cl}_x/l\text{Cl}_x$  (as  $\mathbb{F}_l$ -vector sp.) containing all the  $P_i$ ; this gives the desired extension.

Given  $K_x/K$ , assuming no constant-field extn. corresponds to the condn:



In this case, I want the genus of  $K_\alpha$ .

Look at characters  $\chi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ . This gives maps

$$U_p \rightarrow \text{Cl}_\alpha \rightarrow G \xrightarrow{\chi} \mathbb{C}^\times.$$

So exp. of cond. of  $\chi$  at  $P = f_P(\chi) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } U_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times \text{ is trivial} \\ \text{smallest } e \text{ s.t.} \\ U_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times \text{ is trivial} \\ \text{on } U_p^{(e)} \end{cases}$

So formula for the genus  $g_\alpha$  of  $K_\alpha$ :

$$2g_\alpha - 2 = [K_\alpha: K](2g - 2) + \deg(\text{discriminant ideal})$$

and  $\text{disc} = \sum_{P, \chi} f_P(\chi) \cdot P,$

so we get

$$\boxed{2g_\alpha - 2 = 161(2g - 2) + \sum f_P(\chi) \deg P}$$

In our situation:  $g=2, l=2, 161=2$

At each  $P$  we get one number  $f_P$  (only one character!).

On the other hand, we've noted that writing

$$y^2 + y = \frac{a_0}{t^m} + \dots = \varphi \text{ m odd } \geq 1,$$

the local contrib was measured by  $m$ .

Have:  $f_p = m + 1$

"Proof": I get  $U_p \longrightarrow \{\pm 1\} = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

explicitly:  $u \in U_p$  can be viewed as  $u(t) \in \mathbb{F}_2[[t]]$ ; then the map is

$$u(t) \longmapsto \text{Tr}_{\mathbb{F}_2[[t]]/\mathbb{F}_2} \left( \text{Res} \left[ \varphi(t) \frac{du(t)}{u(t)} \right] \right)$$

(For an Artin-Schreier extn as above!)

Then, if  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{t^{m+1}}$

$$\frac{du}{u} = ct^m dt + \dots$$

$$\varphi \frac{du}{u} \text{ hol.}, \text{ so Res} = 0$$

But if  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{t^m}$ , not  $\pmod{t^{m+1}}$ , will get simple pole, hence  $\text{Res} \neq 0$ .

2-rank of  $U_p/U_p^{(n_p)}$  $n_p$  even  $\geq 2$ res field  $\mathbb{F}_{2^e}$ 

$$U_p/U_p^{(n_p)} = \left\{ \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} t^{n-1} \pmod{t^n} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} \alpha_0 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_0 \in \mathbb{F}_{2^e} \\ \alpha_i \in \mathbb{F}_{2^e} \end{array}$$

for 2-rank, think only

$$1 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} t^{n-1}$$

 $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{F}_q = \mathbb{F}_{2^e}$ , so

$$\text{order} = q^{n-1}$$

squares :  $1 + \alpha_1^2 t^2 + \dots = \text{those where } \alpha_1 = \alpha_3 = \dots = 0$

there are  $\frac{n}{2}$  odd indices, so order =  $q^{\frac{n}{2}-1}$

$$\therefore \text{AB : } |G/G^2| = q^{\frac{n}{2}}, \text{ so } 2\text{-rank} = e \cdot \frac{n}{2}.$$

This proves the statement made last time about constructing extensions where certain points split.  
(Just check that #points  $< \sum d_p - e$ )

Optimal functions for number of points

$F_g$ , genus  $g$ ,  $N$  points

(\*) If  $c_n \geq 0$ , and  $f = 1 + \sum 2c_n \cos n\theta \geq 0$  for all  $\theta$   
 $= 1 + \sum c_n (t^n + t^{-n})$ ,  $t \in S^1$  unit circle.

then  $g \geq (N-1) \sum c_n q^{-n/2} - \sum c_n q^{n/2}$

Problem: Knowing  $N$  and  $g$ , what is (if any) the best choice of  $(c_n)$ ? (I.e., the one that maximizes the expression.)

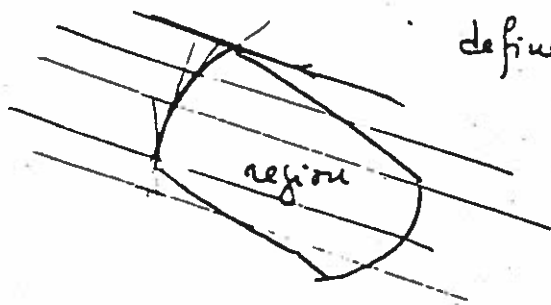
If  $(c_n) \in (*)$ , what is the max of  $\sum c_n ((N-1)q^{-n/2} - q^{n/2})$

Call the max  $g(N, q)$  }  $-\sum c_n \delta_n$

This is a linear programming question:

given variables, linear inequalities on them

defines some convex region



given linear forms  $\longleftrightarrow$  cut region by lines

0 . . . 1 . . . 2 . . .

In linear programming, every problem has a dual problem. So let's introduce the dual problem, but in a more natural way.

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Suppose we want  $\geq N$  pts,  $q \rightarrow$  genus?

We must have then  $N_n \geq N, \forall n. (N_n = \# X(\mathbb{F}_q))$

$\forall \psi_1, \dots, \psi_g$  are the angles of Frob.

$$\text{Know: } N_n = q^n + 1 - q^{n/2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^g 2 \cos n \psi_\alpha$$

$$\text{So } q^n + 1 - q^{n/2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^g 2 \cos n \psi_\alpha \geq N$$

Introduce the measure  $\mu = \sum (\delta_{e^{i\psi_\alpha}} + \delta_{e^{-i\psi_\alpha}})$   $\delta =$  Dirac measure.

$$\mu \geq 0, \mu(S^1) = 2g.$$

$$\text{Then } \sum_{\alpha=1}^g 2 \cos n \psi_\alpha = \int t^n \mu(t) \left[ = \int \frac{1}{2} (t^n + \bar{t}^n) \mu(t) \right]$$

So I'm looking for  $\mu \geq 0$  on  $S^1$  with

$$\int t^n \mu(t) \leq \underbrace{q^{n/2} - (N-1)q^{-n/2}}_{\gamma_n} \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$



So look at all

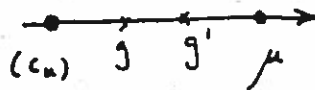
$$\boxed{\mu \geq 0, \int t^n \mu(t) \leq \gamma_n \quad n=1, 2, \dots} \quad (**)$$

and ask what is the lower bound of  $\frac{1}{2} \int \mu(t)$ ?  
 Call it  $g(N, \gamma)$

This is the dual problem.

Lemma 1: If  $\mu \in (**)$ ,  $(c_n) \in (*)$ , then

$$-\sum c_n \gamma_n \leq \int \frac{1}{2} \mu(t).$$



In particular,  $g(N, \gamma) \leq g'(N, \gamma)$

Lemma 2: We have equality above iff  $\mu$  has support contained in the set of zeros of the fct  $1 + \sum c_n (t^n + t^{-n})$  on  $S^1$  and  $(**)_n$  is an equality for every  $n$  s.t.  $c_n \neq 0$ .

Theorem: Let  $\mu$  and  $(c_n)$  be such as in Lemma 2.  
 Then  $g(N, \gamma) = \frac{1}{2} \int \mu(t) = -\sum c_n \gamma_n$ .

Proof: Let  $f = 1 + \sum c_n(t^n + t^{-n}) \geq 0$

$$\text{So } \mu(f) = \int f d\mu = \mu(1) + 2 \sum c_n \mu(t^n) \geq 0$$

$$\text{But } \mu(t^n) = \int t^n d\mu \leq \delta_n, \text{ so}$$

$$\mu\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \geq - \sum c_n \mu(t^n) \geq - \sum c_n \delta_n$$

QED, Lemma 1.

Proof (2): Want  $\mu(f) = 0$  above, hence since  $f \geq 0$   
 $\mu$  must be concentrated on the zeros.

I also want  $\mu(t^n) = \delta_n$  unless  $c_n = 0$ ,

QED (2).  $\square$

Example: Take  $q+1 \leq N \leq q^{3/2} + 1$ .

Claim: in this range Weil is optimal.

$$\text{Weil} \leftrightarrow 1 + \cos \theta, \text{ so } \underline{c_1 = \frac{1}{2}, c_n = 0, n \geq 2}$$

Claim: this choice is optimal.

It is enough to exhibit a  $\mu$  with equality!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We want } g &= -\frac{1}{2} \delta_1 = -\frac{1}{2} (q^{1/2} - (N-1)q^{-1/2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} ((N-1)q^{-1/2} - q^{1/2}) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

And take  $\mu = \text{Dirac at } t = -1 \text{ (angle } \theta = \pi)$  with weight  $2g$ , where  $g$  is given by the last eqn.

To check:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 + \cos \theta \geq 0 \text{ OK, } c_n \geq 0 \text{ OK} \\ \text{so } (*) \text{ OK.} \end{array} \right.$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{clearly } \mu \text{ is concentrated at the zero of } \\ 1 + \cos \theta \\ \text{to check: } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu(t^n) \leq \gamma_n \text{ for } n \geq 1 \\ \mu(t) = \gamma_1 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right.$

$$\mu(t) = 2g(-1) = -2g$$

to check  $-2g = \gamma_1$  OK by construction

$$\mu(t^2) = 2g(-1)^2 = -\gamma_1 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \gamma_2$$

$$-\gamma_1 = -q^{1/2} + (N-1)q^{-1/2} \stackrel{?}{\leq} q - (N-1)q^{-1} = \gamma_2$$

$$(N-1)(q^{-1/2} + q^{-1}) \stackrel{?}{\leq} q + q^{1/2}$$

$$(N-1)(1 + q^{1/2}) \stackrel{?}{\leq} q^{3/2}(1 + q^{1/2})$$

$$(N-1) \stackrel{?}{\leq} q^{3/2}$$

OK by condition on  $N$

$$\mu(t^3) = -2g = \delta_1 \stackrel{?}{\leq} \delta_3 \quad \delta_3 \geq 0, -2g < 0 \text{ OK.}$$

$$\mu(t^4) = -2g = -\gamma_1 \leq \delta_2 \leq \delta_4$$

$\delta_n$  increases for  $n$  large.

and larger  $n$  are similarly OK.  $\square$

### Theorem on Linear Inequalities on $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

Let  $f_\alpha$  be <sup>finitely many</sup> additive functions  $(\sum \alpha_i x_i + \beta)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then the following are equiv.:

(i) The equations  $f_\alpha \geq 0$  have no common solution.

(ii)  $\exists c_\alpha \geq 0$  s.t.  $1 + \sum c_\alpha f_\alpha = 0$  identically in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

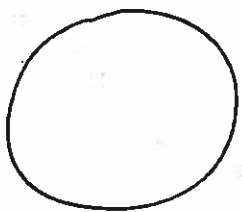
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Oesterlé's "Optimal" computation of lower bound for  $g$   
(given  $N, q$ )

On Machine:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} ON \\ RUN 2000 \\ \text{NOMBRE DE POINTS?} \quad 65 \text{ enter} \\ Q? \quad 8 \quad " \\ \text{GENRE} \geq 14 \end{array} \right.$

Recall: Last time we defined a "dual" problem to what we wanted, and saw that

admissible  $\mu$  measure  
+  
admissible  $(c_n)$  } match  $\rightarrow$  optimal solution.



$$S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$$

admissible  $\mu$   $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \mu \text{ will be a positive measure on } S^1 \text{ s.t.} \\ \cdot \text{ symmetric w.r.t } z \mapsto \bar{z} = z^{-1} \\ \cdot \int t^n \mu(t) = \langle t^n, u \rangle \geq q^{n/2} - (N-1)q^{-n/2} \\ \text{for } n \geq 1 \end{array} \right.$

(Where  $N, q$  are given).

admissible  $(c_n)$   $\left[ \begin{array}{l} c_n \geq 0 \\ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n (t^n + t^{-n}) \geq 0 \text{ on } S^1 \end{array} \right.$

We attach

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu \mapsto \frac{1}{2} \int \mu(t) = \langle \frac{1}{2}, \mu \rangle \\ (c_n) \mapsto \sum c_n ((N-1)q^{-n/2} - q^{n/2}) \end{array} \right\}^{\#}$$

We say  $\mu$  and  $(c_n)$  match if  $\frac{1}{2} \int \mu(t) = \sum c_n ( \quad )$ ; if this happens, the common value is the best  $g(N, q)$  that the explicit formula can give.

(Usually not even rational, of course...)

Oesterlé found an explicit choice of  $(c_n)$  (working for every  $(q, N)$ ), an explicit choice of  $\mu$  (working for  $q \geq 3$  and sometimes for  $q=2$ ), and they match.

Hence, this gives  $g(N, q)$ , at least for  $q \geq 3$ .

• Let  $\lambda = N-1$ ,  $\alpha = q^{1/2}$

So condn. on  $\mu$  is  $\int t^n \mu(t) \geq \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n}$ ,  $n \geq 1$

We showed

}	$\lambda \leq \alpha^3 \rightarrow$ Weil estimate is best (i.e., optimal is given by $1 + \frac{1}{2}(t+t^{-1}) = 1 + \cos \varphi$ )
	$\lambda = \alpha^4 \rightarrow$ Suzuki (char = 2)
	$\lambda = \alpha^6 \rightarrow$ Ree

Method:

Define  $m$  by  $\boxed{\alpha^m < \lambda \leq \alpha^{m+1}}$ . ( $m = \lceil \frac{\log \lambda}{\log \alpha} \rceil$ )

I will assume  $m \geq 2$ . (if not,  $g = 0$  is OK ...)

Put  $u = \frac{\alpha^{m+1} - \lambda}{\lambda \alpha - \alpha^m}$ ; by the assumptions,  $0 \leq u < 1$ .

Consider the equation:

$$\cos \frac{m+1}{2} \varphi + u \cos \frac{m-1}{2} \varphi = 0$$

There is exactly one solution  $\varphi_0$  in the range  $\frac{\pi}{m+1} \leq \varphi_0 < \frac{\pi}{m}$ .

Then the optimal  $g$  (for  $q \geq 3$ , at least) is

$$\boxed{g = \frac{(\lambda-1)\alpha \cos \varphi_0 + \alpha^2 - \lambda}{\alpha^2 - 2\alpha \cos \varphi_0 + 1}}$$

(When  $q=2$ , this is the value given by a choice of  $(\kappa)$ .)

We try to find  $\mu$  of the following shape:

concentrated on a symmetric set  $T \subset S^1$ ,  
with  $|T| = m-1$ , with

$$(T) \quad \int t^k \mu(t) = \alpha^k - \lambda \alpha^{-k} \quad \text{for } k=1, \dots, m-1,$$

and the mass  $\nu_t$  of  $t \in T$  being strictly positive.  
We also need  $\nu_t = \nu_{\bar{t}}$ , of course.

On the other hand, look for  $(c_n)$  s.t.

$$f(t) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} c_n (t^n + t^{-n}) \text{ is zero on } T$$

$(c_n \geq 0, f(t) \geq 0 \text{ on } S^1).$

If we can do this, we have a match (as seen before).

Lemma If  $T$  satisfies the condition (T), then  
 $T$  is contained in the set of solutions of

$$t^{m+1} + 1 + u(t^m + t) = 0 \quad (1)$$

(This has  $m+1$  solutions on  $S^1$ , which are symmetric, so to get  $T$  we need to discard one pair).

Rewrite as  $t = e^{i\varphi}$ , get the equation for  $u$  given above.

So we throw out the solutions  $t = e^{\pm i\varphi_0}$ :

$T =$  solutions of (1) which are different from  $e^{\pm i\varphi_0}$ .



Proof of Lemma: Suppose  $T$  is given.

$T$  has  $m-1$  elements in  $S^1$ .

$$\mu = \sum_{t \in T} v_t \delta_t \text{ so the integral is } \sum_{t \in T} v_t t^n = \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n} \quad n=1, \dots, m-1$$

The system  $\boxed{\sum_{t \in T} v_t t^n = \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n} \quad n=1, \dots, m-1} \quad (*)$

has  $(m-1)$  linear eqns,  $(m-1)$  unknowns, determinant is Vander Monde  $\neq 0$  ( $t \in T$ ), so  $\neq 0$ .

So it has a unique solution  $v_t = \text{---}$

Now force  $v_t = v_{t^{-1}}$  for every  $t \in T$ . This will imply equation  $(*)$ .

Rewrite  $(*)$  as follows:

$(*) \iff$  for every polynomial  $\phi$  of degree  $\leq m-1$ , with constant term 0,

$$\boxed{\sum v_t \phi(t) = \phi(\alpha) - \lambda \phi(\alpha^{-1})} \quad (**)$$

Let

$$P(x) = \prod_{t \in T} (x-t)$$

$T$  symmetric  $\implies P(x^{-1}) = P(x) x^{1-m}$

$$-\frac{1}{x^2} P'(x^{-1}) = P'(x) x^{1-m} + (1-m) P(x) x^{-m}$$

So if  $t \in T$ ,  $-\frac{1}{t^2} = \bar{t}^2$  :

$$\boxed{-\bar{t}^2 P'(\bar{t}) = P'(t) t^{1-u}}$$

Let  $t \in T$ ; define  $Q_t(x) = x \prod_{\substack{t' \in T \\ t' \neq t}} (x - t') = \frac{x P(x)}{x - t}$

Now  $Q_t(t') = 0$  for  $t' \in T, t' \neq t$ .

$$Q_t(t) = t P'(t)$$

Apply (\*) to  $\Phi = Q_t$  :

get  $v_t Q_t(t) = Q_t(\alpha) - \lambda Q_t(\alpha^{-1})$

so 
$$\boxed{v_t = \frac{Q_t(\alpha) - \lambda Q_t(\alpha^{-1})}{t P'(t)}}$$

rewrite :

$$t P'(t) v_t = \frac{\alpha P(\alpha)}{\alpha - t} - \lambda \frac{\alpha^{-1} P(\alpha^{-1})}{\alpha^{-1} - t}$$

we have  $P(\alpha^{-1}) = P(\alpha) \alpha^{1-u}$

so 
$$t P'(t) v_t = P(\alpha) \left\{ \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - t} - \lambda \frac{\alpha^{-u}}{\alpha^{-1} - t} \right\}$$

$$tP'(t)v_t = P(\alpha) \frac{1 - \alpha t - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + t \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2}$$

$$\text{Now } v_t = v_{\bar{t}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{tP'(t)} \cdot \frac{1 - \alpha t - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + t \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2} = \frac{1}{\bar{t}P'(\bar{t})} \frac{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \bar{t} \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \alpha^{-1}\bar{t} + \bar{t}^2}$$

$$\text{Also } -P'(\bar{t}) = P'(t) \cdot t^{3-m}, \text{ so}$$

$$\frac{1}{t} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha t - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + t \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2} \right\} = \frac{-1}{t^{2-m}} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \bar{t} \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \alpha^{-1}\bar{t} + \bar{t}^2} \right\}$$

$$\text{so } -t^{1-m} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha t - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + t \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2} \right\} = \left\{ \frac{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \bar{t} \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \alpha^{-1}\bar{t} + \bar{t}^2} \right\}$$

$$-t^2 (1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \alpha^{-1}\bar{t} + \bar{t}^2) = 1 - \alpha t - \alpha^{-1}t + t^2$$

So end up with

$$-t^{m+1} (1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \lambda \alpha^{-m} \bar{t}) - (1 - \alpha \bar{t} - \lambda \alpha^{1-m} + \lambda \alpha^{-m} \bar{t})$$

$$t^{m+1} (1 - \lambda \alpha^{1-m}) + t^m (\lambda \alpha^{-m} - \alpha) - t (\alpha - \lambda \alpha^{-m}) + (1 - \lambda \alpha^{1-m}) = 0$$

$$u = \frac{\alpha^{m+1} - \lambda}{\lambda \alpha - \alpha^m} = \frac{\alpha - \lambda \alpha^{-m}}{\lambda \alpha^{1-m} - 1}$$

So

$$t^{m+1} + 1 + u(t^m + t) = 0$$



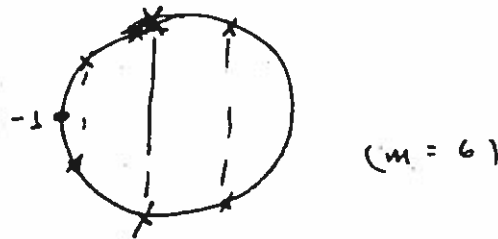
Note this works for any  $m$ ; our choice of  $u$  is equiv  
to  $u \in [0, 1)$ .

Now, study the equation  $\cos \frac{m+1}{2} \varphi + u \cos \frac{m-1}{2} \varphi = 0$ ,  
where  $0 \leq u < 1$ .

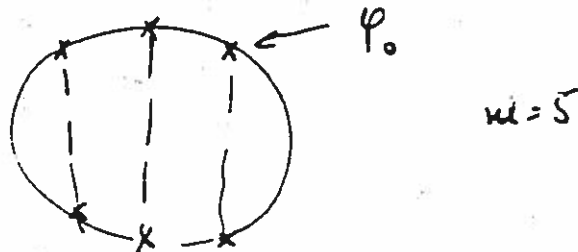
$$F(\varphi) = \frac{\cos \frac{m+1}{2} \varphi}{\cos \frac{m-1}{2} \varphi}$$

(We want to show  $t^{m+1} + 1 + u(t^m + t) = 0$  has  
 $m+1$  distinct solutions on  $S^1$ , and "locate" them.)

if  $m$  is ~~even~~ <sup>even</sup>:  $-1$  is a solution

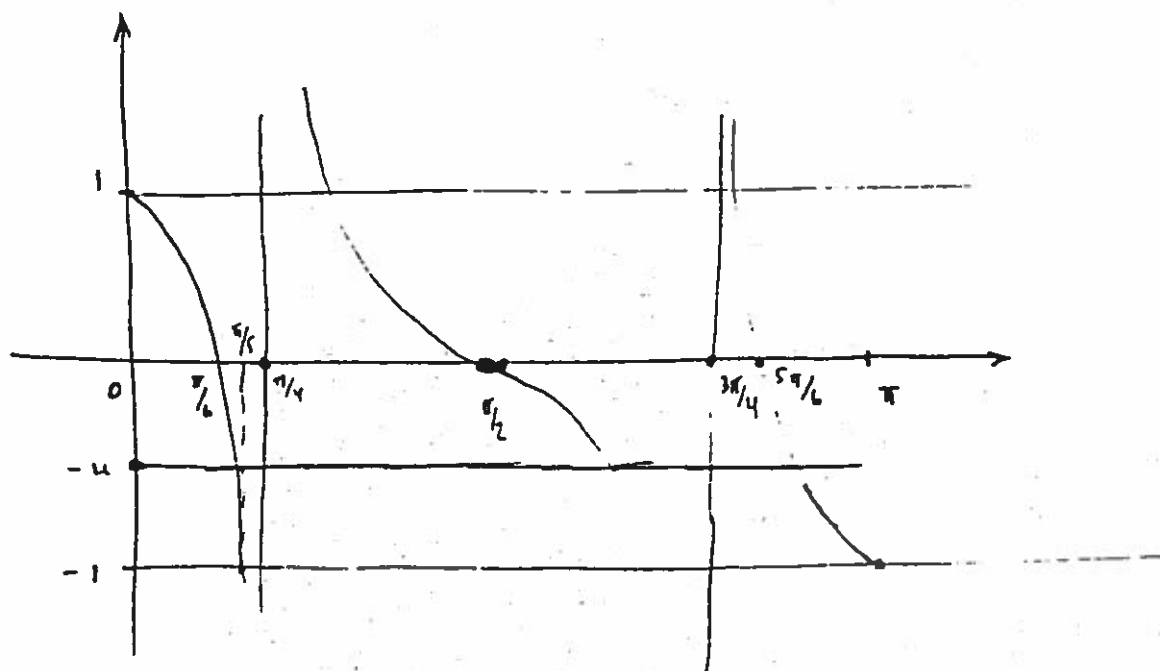


if  $m$  is odd:  $-1$  is not a solution



Take  $m=5$ , for instance.

Graph on  $0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi$  of  $F(\varphi) = \frac{\cos 3\varphi}{\cos 2\varphi}$



$$\cos 2\varphi = 0 \iff 2\varphi = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2} \implies \varphi = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ or } \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

$$F\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) = \frac{\cos \frac{3\pi}{5}}{\cos \frac{2\pi}{5}} = -1 \quad \left( \text{since } \frac{3\pi}{5} + \frac{2\pi}{5} = \pi \right)$$

Given  $u \in [0, 1)$ , I want  $F(\varphi) = -u$  3 times

We know: the first soln. is  $\varphi_0$ ,  $\frac{\pi}{6} \leq \varphi_0 < \frac{\pi}{5}$   
and that is the only soln. in that interval.

(And the same happens from any  $u$ ).

So we know:

the eqn.  $t^{m+1} + 1 + u(t^m + t) = 0$  has exactly  $m+1$  roots on  $S^1$ , and exactly one of the form  $e^{i\varphi_0}$ ,  $\frac{\pi}{m+1} \leq \varphi_0 < \frac{\pi}{m}$ .

Define  $T$  as the complement of  $e^{i\varphi_0}, e^{-i\varphi_0}$  in the set of roots of the equation.

Define  $v_t$  by solving the system of equations

$$\sum v_t t^n = \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n}, \quad n=1, \dots, m-1$$

(we even have an explicit formula).

We prove:  $v_t > 0$  all  $t$  (computations).

Admissibility means  $\sum v_t t^n \leq \alpha^n - \lambda \alpha^{-n}$  for  $n=m, m+1$ ,

This is a long computation; it shows: OK if  $\alpha \geq \sqrt{3}$ , i.e.  $g \geq 3$ .

Also OK if  $\alpha = \sqrt{2}$  and  $n=m, m+1$  (but not always of  $\alpha = \sqrt{2}$ ,  $n=m+2$ ,  $n \geq m+3$ , OK again!)

Up to  $\lambda = \frac{130}{\sqrt{2}}$ , bad  $N$ 's are

51, 52, 53
70, 71, ..., 77
98, 99, ... 110
137, ...

quest.  $\frac{\log \lambda}{\log \alpha} \approx \text{integer} + 0.4$   
bad if

$N=50, g \geq 65$ ;  $N=54, g \geq 72$

(For bad  $N$ 's, Ostrovi's result is not optimal.)

Now to give  $f = 1 + \sum c_n (x^n + x^{-n})$  which will work.

Take  $P(x) = \prod_{t \in T} (x-t)$  ; write

$$P(x)P(x^{-1}) = \sum_{-(n-1)}^{n-1} a_n x^n, \quad a_n > 0$$

Defn:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{a_0} P(x)P(x^{-1})$

$$\therefore c_n = \frac{a_n}{a_0}$$

To compute  $a_n$

$$\begin{cases} a_n = (n-n) \cos n\varphi_0 \sin \varphi_0 + \sin(n-n)\varphi_0 \\ a_0 = n \sin \varphi_0 + \sin n\varphi_0 \end{cases}$$

Finally

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum \varphi_i = g = \sum c_n (\lambda \alpha^{-n} - \alpha^n) \quad (\text{by the formulas!})$$

and we end up with  $g = \frac{(\lambda-1)\alpha \cos \varphi_0 + \alpha^2 - \lambda}{\alpha^2 - 2\alpha \cos \varphi_0 + 1}$

[ Recall: the zeta function of a curve is

$$\frac{\prod_{\alpha=1}^{2g} (1 - q^{1/2} e^{i\psi_{\alpha}} T)}{(1-T)(1-qT)}$$

$\nu_t$  is connected to  $\prod (1 - q^{1/2} t T)^{\nu_t}$

So number field analog: replace the zeros of  $\zeta$  by a measure. ]

Remark: if  $\lambda$  large w.r.t.  $\alpha (= q^{1/2})$

$$\text{Then } \psi \approx 0, \text{ so get } g \approx \frac{\lambda^{\alpha} - \lambda}{(\alpha - 1)^2} = \frac{\lambda}{\alpha - 1}$$

$$\text{So we expect } g \approx \frac{N}{\sqrt{q} - 1}$$

A better approx comes from  $\psi \approx \frac{\pi}{u}$ ,  $u \sim \frac{\log \lambda}{\log \alpha}$ .

Then: for large  $\lambda$ ,

$$g \approx \frac{\lambda}{\alpha - 1} - \frac{\pi^2}{2} \frac{\alpha(\alpha + 1)}{(\alpha - 1)^3} \frac{\lambda}{(\log \lambda)^2} + O\left(\frac{\lambda}{(\log \lambda)^3}\right)$$


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11/21 We look at  $q=2$  with varying  $g$

① Upper bounds for  $N$

Use the explicit formula

given  $f(\theta) = 1 + \sum c_n 2 \cos n\theta$ ,  $c_n \geq 0$ ,  $f(\theta) \geq 0$ ,

we have

$$g \geq (N-1) \sum c_n q^{-n/2} - \sum c_n q^{1/2}.$$

Start with the example

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{c} \sum (1 + 2x_1 \cos \theta + \dots + 2x_m \cos m\theta)^2$$

$$x_i \geq 0, \quad c = 1 + 2x_1^2 + \dots + 2x_m^2.$$

1<sup>st</sup> choice:  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0.7, x_3 = 0.2$

gives  $N \leq 0.83g + 5.35$

$g=1 \rightarrow$  not good  $N \leq 6$  ( $N=5$  is best)

$g=2, 3, \dots, 11 \Rightarrow$  bounded given (except for  $g=7$ ,  $N \leq 11$ , and  $N=10$  is best).

e.g.,  $g=5 \Rightarrow N \leq 4.15 + 5.35 \leq 9.50 \rightarrow N \leq 9$  and we'll construct  $N=9$  cases ~~later~~ later.

2<sup>nd</sup> choice:  $x_1 = 1.05, x_2 = 0.8, x_3 = 0.4$

$$N \leq 0.766g + 5.97$$

for  $g = 13, \dots, 20$  gives same as Oertel's

3<sup>rd</sup> choice:  $1, 0.8, 0.6, 0.4, 0.1$

$$N \leq 0.6272g + 9.562$$

for  $g = 50$ ,  $N \leq 31.36 + 9.562 = 40.9\dots$

so  $N \leq 40$ .

This justifies all the upper bounds on the table except for  $g=7$ . tables: see pp. Se Th 38b, 38c

$g=7$  \* bound given by explicit fla is 11

Theorem: A curve with  $N=11$  does not exist.

Proof: Let  $C$  be such a curve.

What is its zeta function?

Eigenvalues of Frob are  $\pi_1, \bar{\pi}_1, \pi_2, \bar{\pi}_2, \dots, \pi_7, \bar{\pi}_7$ .

We'll know  $\chi$  if we know  $N$  over  $\mathbb{F}_2, \dots, \mathbb{F}_{2^d}$ ; if  $a_d = \#$  closed pts of deg  $d$ .

Need:  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_7$ .

Know:  $a_1 = 11$

Maximal number of points of a curve of genus  $g$   
over the field  $\mathbb{F}_2$

$g$	Max. nber	$g$	Max. nber	$g$	Max. nber
0	3	10	12 or 13	20	19, 20 or 21
1	5	11	13 or 14	21	21
2	6	12	14 or 15	...	
3	7	13	14 or 15	39	33
4	8	14	15 or 16	...	
5	9	15	17	50	40
6	10	16	16, 17 or 18		
7	10	17	17 or 18		
8	11	18	18 or 19		
9	12	19	20		

Bounds for  $N = \text{Max. Nber}$

$$N \leq 0.83g + 5.35$$

$$N \leq 0.766g + 5.97$$

$$N \leq 0.6272g + 9.562$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } f &= \frac{25}{109} (1 + \cos \theta) \left(1 + \frac{6}{5} \cos \theta + \frac{6}{5} \cos 2\theta\right)^2 \\ &= 1 + \sum 2c_n \cos n\theta \\ c_1 &= \frac{98}{109}, \dots, c_5 = \frac{9}{218} \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\sum_{d=2}^5 da_d \sum_{n=0(d)} c_n q^{-n/2} \leq q + \sum c_n q^{-n/2} - (N-1) \sum c_n q^{n/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0.743a_2 + 0.408a_3 + 0.165a_4 + 0.036a_5 &\leq 7 + 4.577 - \\ &\quad - 11.506 \\ &\leq 0.069 \end{aligned}$$

This implies  $a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = 0, a_5 \leq 1$ .

Have  $a_6$  and  $a_7$  to consider, still:

Let  $a_5 = \alpha, a_6 = \beta, a_7 = \gamma$  (so  $\alpha = 0$  or  $1$ ).

Have  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_7, u_i = \pi_i + \bar{\pi}_i$

Define  $f(T) = \prod_{i=1}^7 (T - u_i) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$ .

this has real roots in the interval  $[-2\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2}]$ .

Writing  $f(T)$  in terms of  $\alpha, \beta, \delta$  :

$$f(T) = T^7 + 8T^6 + 21T^5 + 14T^4 - 19T^3 + (\alpha - 20)T^2 + (8\alpha + \beta - 5)T + 31\alpha + 8\beta + \delta - 106.$$

Theorem: Such a polynomial  $f_{\alpha, \beta, \delta}$  with  $\alpha, \beta, \delta \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\alpha = 0$  or  $1$ , has all its roots real and in  $[-2\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2}]$  if and only if  $(\alpha, \beta, \delta) = (0, 11, 22)$ .

[Sturm  $\rightarrow$  condition for  $f_{\alpha, \beta, \delta}$  to have roots in some interval]

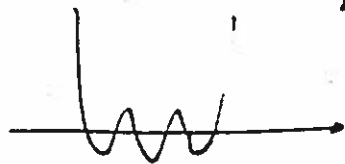
$f_{\alpha, \beta, \delta}$  all roots real  $\rightarrow$  derivative also has real roots

So first check that  $f''(T)$  does have four real roots.

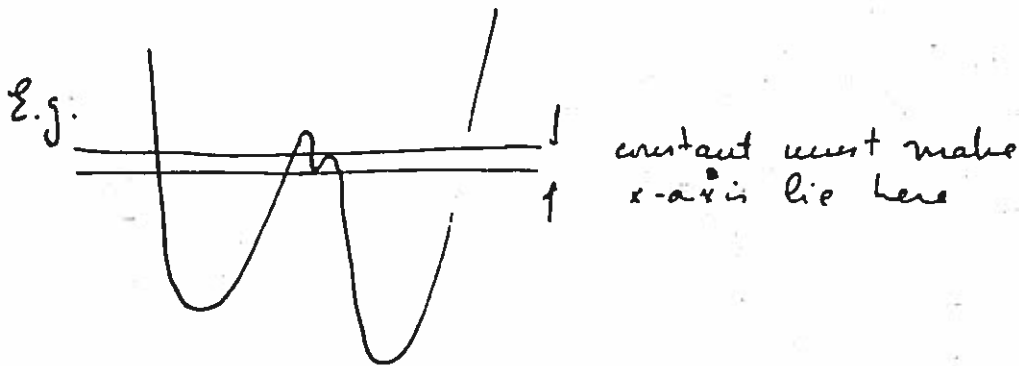
Have  $\alpha = 0$  or  $\alpha = 1$ .

$\alpha = 0$  take  $f''(T)$  is ok.

know  $f'(T)$  up to translation



to adjust the constant, look at highest min, lowest max



This gives :  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } \alpha = 1, \quad 5 \leq \beta \leq 10 \\ \text{if } \alpha = 0 \quad 9 \leq \beta \leq 13 \end{array} \right.$

This gives only eleven cases : look one-by-one at  $f(T)$ , in the same way.

Find  $\alpha = 1$  not possible.

$\alpha = 0, \beta = 11, \delta = 22$  works (by a hair).  $\square$

(Conditions are  $T \leq 22, \delta \geq 22, \delta \leq 22, \delta \geq 22, \gamma \leq 25, \delta \geq 18, T \geq -9650$ ).

We find  $f = T^7 + 8T^6 + 21T^5 + 14T^4 - 19T^3 - 20T^2 + 6T + 4$   
 $= (T+2)(T^2+2T-2)(T^2+T-1)(T^2+3T+1)$

$$= \underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{g(T)} \cdot \underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{h(T)}$$

then  $g, h$  generate  $\mathbb{Z}[T]$

So if  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  roots of  $g$ ,  $u_4, u_5, u_6, u_7$  roots of  $h$ , then every  $u_i - u_j, \dots, u_i - u_7, u_7 - u_i, \dots, u_i - u_7$  is a unit.

$g=0$  is no fun

$g=1$  we've seen,  $g=2$  too

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Formulas:  $g=1$ :  $y^2 + y = x^3 + x$   
 $g=2$ :  $y^2 + y = \frac{x^2 + x}{x^3 + x + 1}$

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$g=3$  if hyperelliptic, at most 6 pts (in general, the hyperelliptic curves have too few pts).

if not, it is a plane quartic in  $\mathbb{P}^2$ , which itself has 7 points!

So take  $[x, y, z]$  homog. coords, find a poly which passes through all pts:

get  $x^3y + y^3z + z^3x + x^2yz + y^2zx + z^2xy = c$

need to prove: nonsingular (hence  $g=3$ ) and goes through all pts.

(since  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{F}_2 \Rightarrow x^2 = x$ , etc., so just

~~$xy + yz + zx + xy + yz + zx + xy + yz + zx = 0$~~  ! )

To check it's nonsingular, need only check irreducibility. For that: exists an automorphism of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  of order 7 fixing the curve.

This implies irreducibility.



e.g. ,  $u_2 = -1 + \sqrt{3}$       $u_4 = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$

$$u_2 - u_4 = -\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{3} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

multiply by this w/  $-\sqrt{5} \rightarrow \left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 - 3 = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2} - 3$   
 $= \frac{-3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$  unit.

etc.

So  $f = g \cdot h$  this is impossible for a Jacobian, so the curve  $C$  does not exist.  $\square$

Next unknown case is  $g=10$  : analogous method on a computer gave 100 or 200 polynomials...

### Construction of Examples

We want to construct curves

$g$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	...
$N$	3	5	6	7	8	9	10	10	11	12	$\frac{12 \text{ or } 13}{13}$	

$bd = 13$

have curve = 12

Exercise: Prove that minimum no. of points is 3 when  $g=0$ , 1 when  $g=1$ , 0 when  $g \geq 2$ .

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(since  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{F}_2 \Rightarrow x^2 = x$ , etc., so just

$xy + yz + zx + xy + yz + zx + xy + yz + zx = 0 \quad !)$

To check it's nonsingular, need only check irreducibility. For that: exists an automorphism of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  of order 7 fixing the curve.

This implies irreducibility.

This is a twist of the Klein curve

$$G = SL_3(\mathbb{F}_2) = GL_2(\mathbb{F}_2) \text{ order } 168$$

$G$  acts on  $\mathbb{P}^2$ ; to find inv. polynomials

do:

$$Q_4(x, y, z) = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x^3 & y^3 & z^3 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x^4 & y^4 & z^4 \end{vmatrix}} \text{ has degree } 4$$

> = product of all the linear forms

→ this gives the Klein curve  
This has no rat'l point.

if we twist it by a  $G_7 < G$ , (i.e., wrt  $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{F}_7 \\ C_7 \\ \mathbb{F}_2 \end{pmatrix}$ )  
we get the curve above.

For  $g=4$ : if not hyperelliptic, can. embedding in  $\mathbb{P}^3$   
then curve = inter. of surfaces

$$\text{curve} = (\text{quadric surface}) \cap (\text{cubic surface})$$

transversal inter.,  
but surfaces can have singularities.

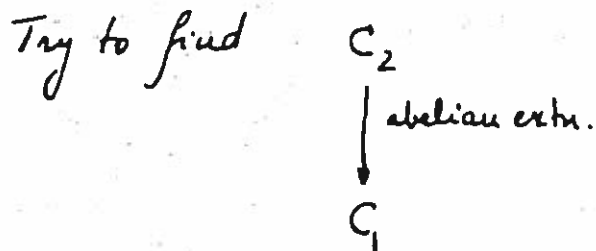
if quadric =  $\mathbb{P}_1 \times \mathbb{P}_1$ , 1 pts - so not obvious at once we can get 8.

On  $\mathbb{P}_1 \times \mathbb{P}_1$ , the curve we want has affine eqn:

$$x^2y^3 + x^3y^2 + xy^3 + x^3y + x^2y^2 + x^2 + y^2 + 1 = 0.$$

After  $g=4$ , explicit construction is not practical. Use CFT instead.

Start from  $C_2$ , known.



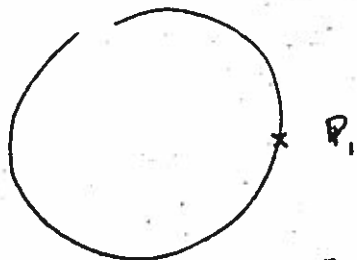
With "little" ramification ( $g(C_2)$  small) and s.t. "many" rational points split.

1<sup>st</sup> case:  $C_1 = \mathbb{P}_1$ ,  $g=0$

Choose  $Q \in \mathbb{P}_1$  with  $\deg Q = 3$ , so res. field =  $\mathbb{F}_8$ .

$\mathbb{F}_8^\times =$  cyclic order 7.

Take  $m = Q$ , look at  $\mathcal{C}_m$ .



$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_8^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_m \xrightarrow{\text{deg}} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

CFT: finite quotients of  $\mathcal{C}_m$  describe the ab.

Choose a rat'l point  $R \in \mathbb{P}_1(\mathbb{F}_2)$ .

$$R \mapsto \mathcal{C}_m, \quad \deg R = 1$$

So let  $G =$  quotient of  $\mathcal{C}_m$  by  $\langle R \rangle \cong \mathbb{F}_8^*$ .

So corresponds to

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{C} \\ \downarrow \textcircled{7} \\ \mathbb{P}_1 \end{array}$$

Frob  $R$  is killed  $\Rightarrow R$  splits completely giving 7 pts  
(and  $\Rightarrow$  no const. field extn.)

$$2g(\mathbb{C}) - 2 = 7(-2) + \underbrace{6 \cdot 3}_{\text{sum of Artin conductors}}$$

$$2g = 2 - 14 + 18 = 6$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{g=3, N=7}$$

Now play the same game as follows:

take  $R_1, R_2$  rat'l points on  $\mathbb{P}_1$

$m = 4R_2$ , construct  $G$  as before,  $G = \mathcal{C}_m / \langle R_1 \rangle$

$\cong$  local group mod 4.

See Th 43

$$\begin{aligned} \text{get: } G &\cong \text{local gp mod } 4R_2 \\ &= \{1 + \alpha_1 t + \dots + \alpha_3 t^3\} / (1+t^4) \\ &\cong \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

So find

$$\begin{array}{c} C \\ \downarrow G \\ \mathbb{P}^1 \end{array}$$

s.t. :  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} R_1 \text{ splits completely into 8 pts (rat'l)} \\ R_2 \text{ is completely ramified} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow 1 \text{ pt which is rat'l.} \end{array} \right.$

$$2g - 2 = 8(-2) + \sum f_x$$

Character on G

$$\chi = 1 : f = 0$$

$$\chi \text{ trivial on } t^3 : f = 2$$

$$\chi \text{ trivial on } t^2 : f = 3 \text{ twice}$$

$$\text{—————} : f = 4 \text{ four times}$$

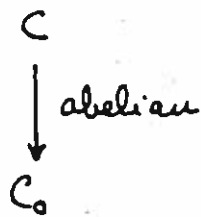
$$\text{So } 2g - 2 = -16 + 2 + 6 + 16 = 8 \Rightarrow \boxed{g = 5}$$

So this gives the curve we need for  $g = 5$ .  $\square$

11/26 ( $q=2$ , cont.) See table, pp. ScTh 43b, 43c

### Construction

Start from sth you know, say  $g=0, 3$  pts,  $C_0$



give: conductor, group  $G$ ,  $n$  pts in  $C_0$  splitting completely.

$$q=50 \quad N=40? \quad 40=8 \times 5$$

So want  $C_0$  w/  $g_0=1$ , ell curve  $y^2+y=x^3+x$  w/ 5 rat'l pts.

Want a covering of degree 8 in which all five pts split completely.

$$G = \text{of type } (2, 2, 2) = (2) \times (2) \times (2).$$

First make a  $(2, \dots, 2)$  extension of rank 8; then  $P_1, \dots, P_5$  give Frob. elements.

$(2, \dots, 2) = \mathbb{F}_2^8$  has a quotient of dim 3  $(2, 2, 2)$  in which  $P_1, \dots, P_5 \rightarrow 0 \implies$  pts split completely.

Choose a pt  $P_1$ , of degree 7 ( $=8-1$ )

$$(\# \text{ pts over } \mathbb{F}_2^7 \text{ is } \geq 2^7 + 1 - 2 \cdot 2^{7/2} > 129 - 32 > 5)$$

Choose conductor  $\mathfrak{m} = 2P_1$

TABLE  
of curves of low genus over  $F_2$  having many points

Each curve  $C$  is obtained as an abelian covering  $C \rightarrow C_0$  of a curve  $C_0$  of lower genus, occurring earlier in the table (or of genus 0).

The table gives :

- the genus  $g$  of  $C$ ;
- the number  $N$  of rational points of  $C$  (I underline  $N$  if it is maximal for the corresponding genus);
- the genus  $g_0$  of  $C_0$ ;
- the conductor  $\underline{m}$  of  $C \rightarrow C_0$  (I write  $\underline{m}$  as  $aP_1 + a'P_1' + bP_2 + \dots$  where  $P_1, P_1', P_2, \dots$  are distinct closed points of  $C_0$  of degrees  $1, 1, 2, \dots$ );
- the Galois group  $G$  of the covering  $C \rightarrow C_0$  (a cyclic group of order  $m$  is denoted by  $(m)$ );
- the number  $n$  of rational points of  $C_0$  which split completely in  $C$ ;
- the number  $r$  of rational points of  $C_0$  which are totally ramified in  $C$ .

For all the cases considered in the table, we have  $N = r + |G|n$ .

$g$	$N$	$g_0$	$\underline{m}$	$G$	$n$	$r$
1	<u>5</u>	0	$4P_1$	(2)	2	1
2	<u>6</u>	0	$2P_3$	(2)	3	0
3	<u>7</u>	0	$F_3$	(7)	1	0
4	<u>8</u>	0	$2P_1 + 4P_1'$	(2)	3	2
5	<u>9</u>	1	$4P_1$	$(2) \times (4)$	1	1
6	<u>10</u>	0	$2P_5$	(2)	5	0
7	<u>10</u>	1	$2P_6$	(2)	5	0
8	<u>11</u>	1	$2P_1 + 2P_4$	(2)	5	1
9	<u>12</u>	2	$2P_6$	(2)	6	0



Table (continued)

B	N	$R_0$	$\underline{m}$	G	n	r
10	12	2	$2F_7$	(2)	6	0
11	13	3	$12P_1$	(2)	6	1
12	14	0	$F_3 + F_3^2$	(7)	2	0
13	14	3	$2P_3 + 2F_5$	(2)	7	0
14	15	0	$F_4$	(3)×(5)	1	0
15	<u>17</u>	1	$10F_1$	(2)×(2)	4	1
16	16	4	$2F_9$	(2)	8	0
17	17	0	$5P_1$	(2)×(8)	1	1
18	18	5	$2F_9$	(2)	9	0
19	<u>20</u>	1	$2P_6$	(2)×(2)	5	0
20	19	2	0	(19)	1	0
21	<u>21</u>	0	$F_2 + F_3$	(3)×(7)	1	0
39	<u>33</u>	1	$12P_1$	(2)×(2)×(2)	4	1
50	<u>40</u>	1	$2F_7$	(2)×(2)×(2)	5	0

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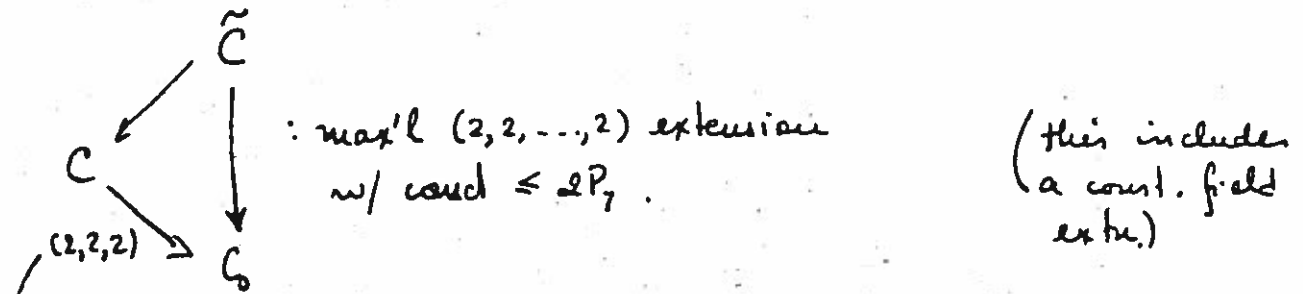
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look at  $\mathcal{C}_m$ :

$$0 \rightarrow L_m \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_m \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_0 = \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

$$L_m = \mathbb{F}_2[[X]]^x / \{1 + (x^2)\} = \mathbb{F}_2^x \times \mathbb{F}_2^7$$

$$\mathcal{C}_m / 2\mathcal{C}_m = \mathbb{F}_2^7 \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \quad \text{of type } (2, \dots, 2), \text{ rank } 8.$$



where the 5 pts split. (I.e., choose a quotient of type  $(2, 2, 2)$  such that pts split)

$$2g - 2 = 2^3 (2g_0 - 2) + \sum_{\chi \neq 1} \deg f_\chi$$

$$2g - 2 = 8 \times 0 + (8-1) \times 14$$

$$g = 1 + 7 \times 7 = 50.$$

$\chi = \text{char of order } 2$   
so cond =  $2P_7$  or 0  
but can't be zero so  $f_\chi = 14$ .



$$g = \frac{20}{N=19}, \quad g_0 = 2, \quad h = 19$$

$$Cl_0 = \mathbb{Z} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{(19)}$$

$P_1$  ↗

Split so that  $P_1 \rightarrow$  generator. Get an extn. by the quotient.

$$\text{Then } 2g - 2 = 19(22 - 2) \rightarrow g = 1 + 19 = 20.$$

For very large  $g$  (say  $g \sim 10^{10}$ ) we only get  $N$  of about the same order (say  $0.2 \cdot 10^{10}$ ) using the class field towers, as before.

For  $10 \leq g \leq 20$ , one might be able to fill some of the gaps.