

Torsion Subgroups of Rational Elliptic Curves over Nonic Galois Fields

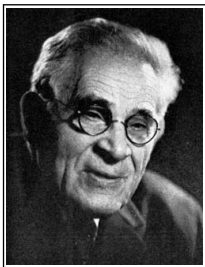
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Theorem (Mordell-Weil, 1922/1928)

Let K be a number field and A/K be an abelian variety. Then the group of K -rational points on A , denoted $A(K)$, is a finitely generated abelian group. In particular,

$$A(K) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{r_{A/K}} \oplus A(K)_{tors}$$



Louis J. Mordell



André Weil

Theorem (Levi-Ogg Conjecture; Mazur, 1977)

If E/\mathbb{Q} is a rational elliptic curve, then the possible torsion subgroups $E(\mathbb{Q})_{\text{tors}}$ are precisely:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2, \dots, 10, 12 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 4 \end{cases}$$

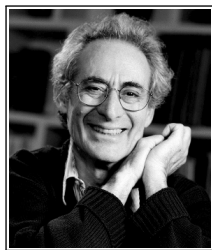
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Beppo Levi



Andrew Ogg



Barry Mazur

Theorem (Kenku, Momose, 1988; Kamienny, 1992)

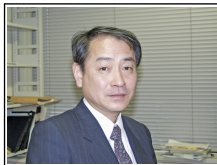
Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a quadratic number field and E/K be an elliptic curve. Then the possible torsion subgroups $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$ are precisely:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2, \dots, 16, 18 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 6 \\ \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2 \\ \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \end{cases}$$

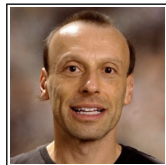
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Monsur Kenku



Fumiyuki Momose



Sheldon Kamienny

Theorem (Jeon, Kim, Schweizer, 2004;
Etropolski-Morrow-Zureick Brown; Derickx, 2016)

Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a cubic number field and E/K be an elliptic curve. Then the possible torsion subgroups $E(K)_{tors}$ are precisely:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2, \dots, 16, 18, 20, 21 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 7 \end{cases}$$

Each of these possibilities occurs infinitely many times except $\mathbb{Z}/21\mathbb{Z}$.



Jeon



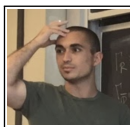
Kim



Schweizer



Etropolski



Morrow



Z-B.



Derickx

Theorem (Jeon, Kim, Park, 2006)

Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a quartic number field and E/K be an elliptic curve. Then the possible torsion subgroups $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$ appearing infinitely often are precisely:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2, \dots, 18, 20, 21, 22 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 9 \\ \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2, 3 \\ \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2 \\ \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \\ \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \end{array} \right.$$



Daeyeol Jeon



Chang Kim



Eui-Sung Park

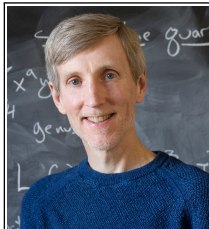
Theorem (Derickx, Sutherland, 2016)

Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a quintic number field and E/K be an elliptic curve. Then the possible torsion subgroups $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$ appearing infinitely often are precisely:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 22, 24, 25 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 8 \end{cases}$$



Maarten Derickx



Drew Sutherland

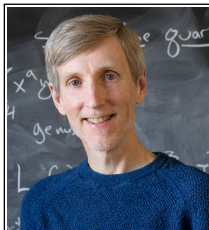
Theorem (Derickx, Sutherland, 2016)

Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a sextic number field and E/K be an elliptic curve. Then the possible torsion subgroups $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$ appearing infinitely often are precisely:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 30; n \neq 23, 25, 29 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 10 \\ \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, \dots, 4 \\ \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2 \\ \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \end{array} \right.$$



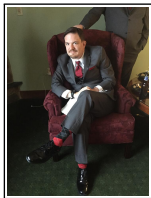
Maarten Derickx



Drew Sutherland

Theorem (Clark, Corn, Rice, Stankewicz; 2013)

Let K be a number field of degree $d = 1, 2, \dots, 13$ and E/K be an elliptic curve with CM. Then all possible torsion subgroups are given, and an algorithm to compute the list.



Pete Clark



Patrick Corn



Alex Rice



James Stankewicz

Theorem (Bourdon, Pollack; 2018)

Let K be an odd degree number field and E/K be an elliptic curve with CM. Then the torsion subgroups $E(K)_{tors}$ are computable.



Abbey Bourdon



Paul Pollack

Theorem (Fricke, Kenku, Klein, Kubert, Ligozat, Mazur, Ogg, et al.)

If E/\mathbb{Q} has an n -isogeny over \mathbb{Q} , then

$$n \in \{1, 2, \dots, 19, 21, 25, 27, 37, 43, 67, 163\}.$$

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Theorem (Chou,Daniels,González-Jimenez,Lozano-Robledo,Najman,Tornero,et al.)

Let C_n denote the cyclic subgroup of order n . Then

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{Q}}(2) = \{C_n : n = 1, 2, \dots, 10, 12, 15, 16\} \\ \cup \{C_2 \oplus C_{2n} : 1, 2, \dots, 6\} \cup \{C_3 \oplus C_3, C_3 \oplus C_6, C_4 \oplus C_4\}$$

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{Q}}(3) = \{C_n : n = 1, 2, \dots, 10, 12, 13, 14, 18, 21\} \\ \cup \{C_2 \oplus C_{2n} : n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 7\}$$

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{Q}}(4) = \{C_n : n = 12, \dots, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 20, 24\} \\ \cup \{C_2 \oplus C_{2n} : n = 1, 2, \dots, 6, 8\} \cup \{C_3 \oplus C_{3n} : n = 1, 2\} \\ \cup \{C_4 \oplus C_{4n} : n = 1, 2\} \cup \{C_5 \oplus C_5\} \cup \{C_6 \oplus C_6\}$$

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{Q}}(5) = \{C_n : n = 1, 2, \dots, 12, 25\} \cup \{C_2 \oplus C_{2n} : n = 1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{Q}}(6) \supseteq \{C_n : n = 1, 2, \dots, 21, 30 : n \neq 11, 17, 19, 20\} \\ \cup \{C_2 \oplus C_{2n} : n = 1, 2, \dots, 7, 9\} \\ \cup \{C_3 \oplus C_{3n} : n = 1, 2, 3, 4\} \cup \{C_4 \oplus C_4, C_6 \oplus C_6\}$$

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{Q}}(d^*) = \Phi_{\mathbb{Q}}(1)$$



Michael Chou



Harris Daniels



Enrique González-Jiménez



Álvaro Lozano-Robledo



Filip Najman



José Tornero

The Results

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Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a nonic Galois field, and let E/\mathbb{Q} be a rational elliptic curve. Then the possible torsion subgroups $E(K)_{tors}$ are precisely:

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Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a nonic Galois field with $\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$, and let E/\mathbb{Q} be a rational elliptic curve. Then the possible torsion subgroups $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$ are precisely:

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Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a nonic Galois field with $\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}$, and let E/\mathbb{Q} be a rational elliptic curve. Then the possible torsion subgroups $E(K)_{\text{tors}}$ are:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2, \dots, 10, 12, 13^*, 18^*, 19, 21, 27 \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2n\mathbb{Z}, & n = 1, 2, 3, 4 \end{cases}$$

Outline of the Method

Step 1. Determine the Possible Prime Orders

Theorem (Lozano-Robledo)

Let $S_{\mathbb{Q}}(d)$ be the set of primes such that there exists an elliptic curve E/\mathbb{Q} with a point of order p defined in an extension K/\mathbb{Q} of degree at most d . Then $S_{\mathbb{Q}}(9) = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19\}$.



Álvaro Lozano-Robledo

Remark

Lozano-Robledo computes $S_{\mathbb{Q}}(d)$ for $1 \leq d \leq 21$, and gives a conjecturally formula valid for all $1 \leq d \leq 42$, following from a positive answer to Serre's uniformity question.

Proposition (González-Jiménez, Najman)

- i $11 \in R_{\mathbb{Q}}(d)$ if and only if $5 \mid d$.
- ii $13 \in R_{\mathbb{Q}}(d)$ if and only if $3 \mid d$ or $4 \mid d$.
- iii $17 \in R_{\mathbb{Q}}(d)$ if and only if $8 \mid d$.



Enrique González-Jiménez



Filip Najman

Proposition

Let E/\mathbb{Q} be a rational elliptic curve, and let K/\mathbb{Q} be a nonic Galois field. Then if $P \in E(K)$ is a point of prime order p , then $p \in \{2, 3, 5, 7, 13, 19\}$.

Step 2. Bound the Size of the Sylow Subgroups

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Proof. If $E(K)$ contains full n -torsion, then $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n) \subseteq K$. But

$$[K: \mathbb{Q}] = [K: \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)][\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n): \mathbb{Q}] = [K: \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)]\phi(n),$$

and $\phi(n)$ is even for $n > 2$. □

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Proof. Let $\{P, Q\}$ be a basis for $E[n]$. Without loss of generality, assume that $P \in E(K)$ and $Q \notin E(K)$. Let $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$. Because K/\mathbb{Q} is Galois and $P \in E(K)$, $P^\sigma \in E(K)[n] = \langle P \rangle$. But then $E(K)[n] = \langle P \rangle$ is Galois stable, which implies that E has an n -isogeny over \mathbb{Q} . □

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$$E(K)[3^\infty] \subseteq \mathbb{Z}/27\mathbb{Z}$$

$$E(K)[5^\infty] \subseteq \mathbb{Z}/25\mathbb{Z}$$

$$E(K)[7^\infty] \subseteq \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z}$$

$$E(K)[13^\infty] \subseteq \mathbb{Z}/13\mathbb{Z}$$

$$E(K)[19^\infty] \subseteq \mathbb{Z}/19\mathbb{Z}$$

Theorem (Rouse, Zureick-Brown, 2015)

Let E/\mathbb{Q} be a rational elliptic curve without CM. Then the index of $\rho_{E,2^\infty}(\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}))$ divides 64 or 96, and all such indices occur. Furthermore, the image of $\rho_{E,2^\infty}(\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}))$ is the inverse image in $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_2)$ of the image of $\rho_{E,32}(\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}))$.



Jeremy Rouse



David Zureick-Brown

Remark

They also enumerate all 1,208 possibilities and find their rational points.

Theorem (González-Jiménez, Lozano-Robledo)

Let E/\mathbb{Q} be an elliptic curve without CM. Let $1 \leq s \leq N$ be fixed integers, and let $T \subseteq E[2^N]$ be a subgroup isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/2^s\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2^N\mathbb{Z}$. Then $[\mathbb{Q}(T) : \mathbb{Q}]$ is divisible by 2 if $s = N = 2$, and otherwise by $2^{2N+2s-8}$ if $N \geq 3$, unless $s \geq 4$ and $j(E)$ is one of the two values:

$$-\frac{3 \cdot 18249920^3}{17^{16}} \quad \text{or} \quad -\frac{7 \cdot 1723187806080^3}{79^{16}}$$

in which case $[\mathbb{Q}(T) : \mathbb{Q}]$ is divisible by $3 \cdot 2^{2N+2s-9}$. Moreover, this is best possible in that there are one-parameter families $E_{s,N}(t)$ of elliptic curves over \mathbb{Q} such that for each $s, N \geq 0$ and each $t \in \mathbb{Q}$, and subgroups $T_{s,N} \in E_{s,N}(t)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/2^s\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2^N\mathbb{Z}$ such that $[\mathbb{Q}(T_{s,N}) : \mathbb{Q}]$ is equal to the bound given above.

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Proposition

Let E/\mathbb{Q} be a rational elliptic curve, and let K/\mathbb{Q} be a nonic Galois field. Then

$$E(K)_{\text{tors}} \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/16\mathbb{Z}) \oplus \mathbb{Z}/27\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/25\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/13\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/19\mathbb{Z}.$$

Step 3. Eliminate Possibilities

Lemma

Let K/\mathbb{Q} be a nonic Galois field, and let E/\mathbb{Q} be a rational elliptic curve. Let $P \in E(K)$ be a point of order p .

- ① If $p = 2, 3, 5$, then P is rational or defined over a cubic field.*
- ② If $p = 7, 13, 19$, then P is defined over a cubic field.*

Lemma (Najman)

Let p, q be distinct odd primes, F_2/F_1 a Galois extension of number fields such that $\text{Gal}(F_2/F_1) \simeq \mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z}$ and E/F_1 an elliptic curve with no p -torsion over F_1 . Then if q does not divide $p - 1$ and $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p) \not\subset F_2$, then $E(F_2)[p] = 0$.

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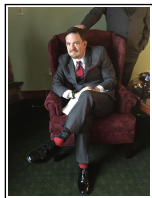
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Nonic Bicyclic Galois Fields

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