

12/9: proof of Mazur's Thm & Eisenstein ideal

AIM of Today:

Theorem. Let N be a prime greater than 7 and not 13. Then no elliptic curve over \mathbb{Q} has a rational point of order N .

By Daniel's talk, we need to show:

Theorem (Theorem 1). Let $N > 7$ be a prime number. Suppose there exists an abelian variety A/\mathbb{Q} and a map of varieties $f: X_0(N) \rightarrow A$ satisfying the following conditions:

- A has good reduction away from N .
- $A(\mathbb{Q})$ has rank 0.
- $f(0) \neq f(\infty)$.

Then no elliptic curve defined over \mathbb{Q} has a rational point of order N .

Combined with Theorem B from Lecture 1 [PP69BM], ^{of Yifu Wang.} we have the following criterion:

Theorem (Theorem 2). Let $N > 7$ be a prime number and let $p \neq N$ be a second prime number. Suppose there exists an abelian variety A/\mathbb{Q} and a map $f: X_0(N) \rightarrow A$ satisfying the following:

- A has good reduction away from N .
- A has completely toric reduction at N .
- The Jordan--Holder constituents of $A[p](\overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ are 1-dimensional and either trivial or cyclotomic. JH(p) condition.
- $f(0) \neq f(\infty)$.

Then no elliptic curve defined over \mathbb{Q} has a rational point of order N .

Let $\rho: G_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow GL_d(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p)$ be a residue rep. We call ρ satisfy JH(p) if ρ^{ss} the semi-simplification of $\rho \simeq \oplus \chi_p \oplus 1$ where $\chi_p =$ cyclotomic mod p .

Idea: Find an ideal $I \subseteq \mathbb{T}$ (Tate algebra) so that $A = J_0(N)/I J_0(N)$ satisfies conditions of Thm2, in particular, JH(p).

I p -Eisenstein prime & Eisenstein ideal:

Def Let p be a prime. p -Eisenstein prime \mathfrak{A} is the ideal of \mathbb{T} generated by p & $T_\ell - (\ell+1)$, $\forall \ell \nmid N$.

Lemma 1 If \mathfrak{A} is nontrivial then $\mathbb{T}/\mathfrak{A} \simeq \mathbb{F}_p$. So \mathfrak{A} is max.

proof: we have $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}/\mathfrak{A}$ is surjective as $T_\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ in \mathbb{T}/\mathfrak{A} since $p\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathfrak{A}$, we have $\mathbb{F}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{T}/\mathfrak{A}$ as required.

Now let us explain why \mathfrak{A} relates to $JH(p)$. Recall by Shiang's talk, we have

$$V_p(J_0(N)) \sim \bigoplus \rho_{f,\lambda} \quad \text{where } \rho_{f,\lambda} \text{ is 2-dim } p\text{-adic}$$

$G_{\mathbb{Q}}$ -rep attached to the weight 2 eigenform f . By the construction of $\rho_{f,\lambda}$, we see that the reduction of $\rho_{f,\lambda}$ corresponds to a max. ideal \mathfrak{m} of \mathbb{T} in the way that $\text{tr}(\bar{\rho}_{f,\lambda}(F_{\ell x})) = T_\ell \bmod \mathfrak{m}$, $\forall \ell \nmid p, N$.

Lemma 2 $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{A} \iff \overline{\rho_{f,\lambda}}^{ss} = \chi_p \oplus 1$.

proof: $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{A} \iff \text{tr}(\bar{\rho}_{f,\lambda}(F_{\ell x})) = \ell+1$

so if $\overline{\rho_{f,\lambda}}^{ss} = \chi_p \oplus 1$ then $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{A}$ is clear.

Conversely? This is unclear. (I don't think Snowden's proof is correct).

II Find p so that \mathfrak{A} is nontrivial.

prop 3 ① $[0] - [\infty]$ is nontrivial torsion in $J_0(N)$ killed by $N-1$.

② $T_\ell([0] - [\infty]) = (\ell+1)[0] - [\infty]$, $\forall \ell \nmid N$

proof: ① If $[0] - [\infty] = 0$ in $J_0(N)$. \exists meromorphic function f s.t. $\text{div}(f) = [0] - [\infty]$. $\Rightarrow \exists f: J_0(N) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$. $\therefore J_0(N)$ has genus 0. Not true for $N > 7 \neq 13$.

Consider $\Delta(z) \in S_{12}(\Gamma(1)) \Rightarrow \Delta(Nz) \in S_{12}(\Gamma(N))$.

By definition of $\Delta(z)$ $\Delta(\tau) \equiv (2\pi)^{12} q \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^r)^{24}$. We see that $\Delta(z)$

has no zero on upper half plane \mathcal{H} . So $\Delta(z)/\Delta(Nz)$ is a meromorphic function on $X_0(N)$ & holomorphic at $Y_0(N)$. At ∞ , we have $f = \Delta(z)/\Delta(Nz) = q^{-(N-1)} + \dots$, so $\text{div} f = (N-1)([0] - [\infty])$.
 $\therefore (N-1)([0] - [\infty]) = 0$ in $J_0(N)$.

- ② consider Hecke correspondence $f, g: X_0(Nl) \rightarrow X_0(N)$ using facts
- a) $X_0(Nl)$ has 4 cusps coming from $X_0(N)$ & $X_0(l)$
 - b) $f(x, y) = g(x, y) = x \in X_0(N)$.
 - c) study ramification at $(x, 0), (x, \infty)$
 $\Rightarrow f^*([x]) = l[x, 0] + [x, \infty]$
 $\therefore T_l([x]) = g_* f^*([x]) = l+1 [x]$.

Coro. 4: pick $p \mid N-1$ so that \exists nontrivial $Q \in J_0(N)[p]$. Then p -Eisenstein prime is nontrivial.

proof Since $V_p(J_0(N)) \sim \bigoplus \rho_{f, \lambda}$, & semi-simplification of reduction is independent on selection of lattices, we see that $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \hookrightarrow \bar{\rho}_{f, \lambda}$ for at least one f, λ . As $\det(\bar{\rho}_{f, \lambda}) \simeq \chi_p$.
 $\therefore (\bar{\rho}_{f, \lambda})^{ss} = 1 \oplus \chi_p \Rightarrow a$ is nontrivial.

III Construction of A .

Now set $I = \bigcap_{\beta \in S} \beta$ where $S = \{ \text{prime } \beta \subseteq \mathbb{T} \mid \beta \subseteq \mathfrak{p} \}$.

& $A = J_0(N)/I J_0(N)$. (I actually am pretty nervous about this quotient. This should be ok at least at \mathbb{C} -level).

Now we need to show $f(0) \neq f(\infty)$ where $f: X_0(N) \rightarrow J_0(N) \twoheadrightarrow A$.
 & $A(\mathbb{Q})$ is finite. The second point is much harder & will be discussed in the end.

Let $\mathbb{T}_p = \mathbb{T} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_p \simeq \varprojlim_n \mathbb{T}/\mathfrak{p}^n \mathbb{T}$ & $\mathbb{T}_a = \varprojlim_n \mathbb{T}/\mathfrak{a}^n$

Fact: \mathbb{T}_a is a direct summand of \mathbb{T}_p as \mathbb{T} is finite \mathbb{Z} -algebra & \mathfrak{a} is max. ideal. (following Hensel's Lemma).

Lemma 5: $J_0(N)[a^\infty] \rightarrow A[a^\infty]$ is injection.

proof: Let $X = J_0(N)[p^\infty]$ then X is Π_p -module & we have $0 \rightarrow I X \rightarrow X \rightarrow A[p^\infty]$ of Π_p -modules.

As Π_a is a direct summand of Π_p , we have

$$0 \rightarrow (I \otimes \Pi_a) X \rightarrow X \otimes \Pi_a \rightarrow A[p^\infty] \otimes \Pi_a.$$

It suffices to check $I \otimes \Pi_a = 0$, $J_0(N)[p^\infty] \otimes \Pi_a = J_0(N)[a^\infty]$

$$\& A[p^\infty] \otimes \Pi_a = A[a^\infty].$$

First $I \otimes \Pi_a =$ intersection of mini primes in Π_a , as Π is reduced, $I \otimes \Pi_a = 0$.

$J_0(N)_a := J_0(N)[p^n] \otimes \Pi_a$ is finite length Π_a module so it is killed by a^m .

Since $J_0(N)[p^n] \otimes \Pi_a \hookrightarrow J_0(N)[p^n]$, we see $J_0(N)[p^n]_a \subseteq J_0(N)[a^m]$.

Coro. 6: $f(0) \neq f(\infty)$.

proof: By prop 3, $x = [0] - [\infty]$ is nontrivial torsion & $x \in J_0(N)[A]$
 $\therefore [0] - [\infty]$ is nontrivial in $A[A]$ as the above.

IV Estimate $A(\mathbb{Q})$

If we can show $A[p]$ satisfies HT(p) then we can use Thm 2, this is the case when all eigenform f has Fourier coefficient in \mathbb{Z} .

(In this case, $\Pi/p_f \cong \mathbb{Z}$. If $p_f \leq p$ then Π is the unique max ideal above p_f . $A \simeq \prod_{p_f \leq p} A_{p_f}$ where $A_{p_f} = J_0(N)_{\Pi/p_f} / J_0(N)_{\Pi/p_f}$ are elliptic curve

& $A_{p_f}[p] \simeq A[\Pi]$ is admissible).

But for general situation, we have to use Π_a -part of everything. Recall Π_a is a direct summand of Π_p .

Lemma 7: suppose M is a finite \mathbb{Z} -module & Π/I -module. If

$M \otimes_{\Pi} \Pi_a$ is finite then M is finite.

Now we apply the above Lemma $M = A(\mathbb{Q})$. Let A be the Néron model of A° the connected components. We aim to bound $A(\mathbb{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbb{T}} \mathbb{T}_a$ via similar method in Yifu Wang's talk.

Recall: Let G be admissible group scheme $/\mathbb{Z}$. (G will be $A[p^n]$, $A^\circ[p^n]$)

- $l(G) = \log_p |G|$.
- $\alpha(G) = \#$ of $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ occurring in G .
- $S(G) = l(G_{\mathbb{Q}}) - l(G_{\mathbb{F}_N})$
- $h^i(G) = H_{\text{fppf}}^i(\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}), G)$.

Indeed why $A[p^n]$ flat $/\mathbb{N}$?
maybe use explicit description A/\mathbb{F}_N .

Then
$$h^1(G) - h^0(G) \leq S(G) - \alpha(G).$$

Now the issue is that $A[p]$ may not satisfy HT(p). We have to look up

$$A[p]_a = A[p] \otimes_{\mathbb{T}_p} \mathbb{T}_a = A[p] \cap A[\mathbb{N}^\infty].$$

Sketch the idea to bound $A(\mathbb{Q})_a = A(\mathbb{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbb{T}} \mathbb{T}_a$.

1. $A[p^n]_a$ is admissible. we first devissge to reduced to the case $A[p]$

This is generic fiber question. we look at $A[p]$ which contains $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ from $[0] - [a]$. $A[p]$ is stable under duality, as \mathbb{T} is self-adjoint operator. so $A[p]^{\text{ss}} \simeq 1 \oplus \chi_p$ as required.

2: Let $d = \dim_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \mathbb{T}_a[\frac{1}{p}]$. Then $\alpha(A[p^n]_a) = nd + O(1)$.

use $A[p^n]_a$ is self-dual & $\lim_{\leftarrow n} A[p^n]_a = T_p(A)_a$ which is a finite free $\mathbb{T}_p[\frac{1}{p}]$ -module of rank 2.

3: To compute $S(A[p^n]_a)$, the key is to compute $l(A[p^n]_a|_{\mathbb{F}_N})$ which can be reduced to estimate $V_N(A)_a^{\text{In}}$ where $V_N(A)$ is N -adic Tate module & I_N is inertia gp at N . Since A has toric reduction at N , $I_N \ni V_N(A)$ nilpotently, & indeed $(g-1)^2 = 0, \forall g \in I_N$. (using $V_N(A) = \bigoplus P_{t+1}$)
 $\Rightarrow \dim(V_N(A)^{\text{In}}) = \frac{1}{2} \dim(V_N(A))$. similar happens to $V_N(A)_a^{\text{In}}$.

$$\therefore S(A[p^n]_a) = nd + O(1).$$

$$\therefore h^1(g_n) - h^0(g_n) \leq S(g_n) - \alpha(g_n) = O(1).$$

where $g_n = A^\circ[p^n]_a$. Note A is replaced by A° has no problem because a) α is only question on generic fiber A b) S depends on A & A° at N which is only different by $[A|_{\mathbb{F}_N} : A^\circ|_{\mathbb{F}_N}]$.

4) Now consider exact sequence $0 \rightarrow A^\circ[p^n] \rightarrow A^\circ \rightarrow A^\circ \rightarrow 0$.

which gives $A^\circ(\mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}} \hookrightarrow H_{\text{fppf}}^1(\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}), A^\circ[p^n])$

Both sides are Π_p -algebra, so it makes sense to take Π_a -component,

so $A^\circ(\mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{\Pi} \Pi_p \hookrightarrow \varprojlim H_{\text{fppf}}^1(\text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}), \mathcal{G}_n)$

whose size is bounded by $\delta(\mathcal{G}_n) - \alpha(\mathcal{G}_n) = O(1)$.

Since $A^\circ(\mathbb{Z}) \subseteq A(\mathbb{Z}) = A(\mathbb{Q})$ as finite index subgp,

$A(\mathbb{Q}) \otimes_{\Pi} \Pi_a$ is finite set as required.