

Solving Diophantine Equations with Analysis:

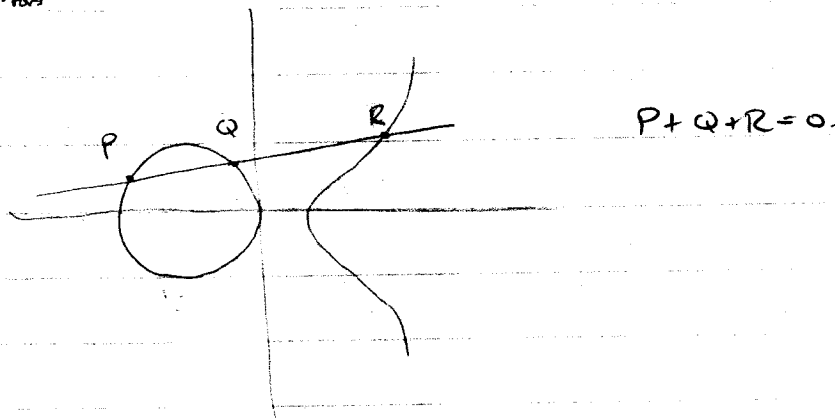
$$E: y^2 = x^3 + ax + b \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{elliptic curve}$$

Why popular?

- ① Wiles proof of FLT.
- ② BSD
- ③ Cryptography
- ④ Congruent number problem

Why interesting?

- ①  $E(\mathbb{Q}) = \{ \text{all rational solutions} \} \cup \{ \infty \}$  f.g. abelian group.  
 $= E(\mathbb{Q})_{\text{tors}} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^r$



$r = \text{rank of } E(\mathbb{Q})$

② modular

$E(\mathbb{Q})$  is hard to understand, easier to study  $E(\mathbb{F}_p)$

$$a_p = p + 1 - \#E(\mathbb{F}_p)$$

Basic idea:  $\{a_p\}$  gives you a lot of information about  $E(\mathbb{Q})$ .

Use these to produce an L-function

$$L(E, s) = \prod_{p \text{ good}} (1 - a_p p^{-s} + p^{1-2s})^{-1} \times \begin{matrix} * \\ \uparrow \\ \text{from bad primes} \end{matrix}$$

Abs conv. for  $\text{Re}(s) > 3/2$ .

Thm (Wiles & BCOT):  $L(E, s)$  has analytic continuation to the

whole complex plane and

$$L(E, s) = W(E) * L(E, 2-s)$$

↑  
root # of E  
= ±1

$$s=1 \Rightarrow L(E, 1) = W(E) L(E, 1) \quad W(E)=1 \text{ doesn't say much}$$

$$W(E)=-1 \Rightarrow L(E, 1) = 0$$

BSD Conj: ①  $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) = \text{rk } E(\mathbb{Q})$

② Leading coefficients of  $L(E, s)$  at  $s=1$  gives more about  $E(\mathbb{Q})$ .

Cor: (BSD)  $W(E)=-1 \Rightarrow E(\mathbb{Q})$  is infinite

Thm (Gross-Zagier, Kolyvagin, Waldspurger): If  $\text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s) = 0$ , then

BSD ① holds. Moreover, in the case  $L'(E, 1) \neq 0$ ,

we can construct a pt in  $E(\mathbb{Q})$  of infinite order.

(This pt is called a Heegner pt.)

Modular Curves and Heegner Pts:

$$\mathfrak{H} = \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) > 0 \} \supset SL_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} z = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$

$$\Gamma_0(N) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) : N|c \right\}$$

$$\Gamma_0(N) \backslash \mathfrak{H} = \mathcal{Y}_0(N) = \text{open Riemann surface} / \mathbb{C}$$

This is actually defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$  since it is a moduli space of  $(E \xrightarrow{\varphi} E')$  where  $E, E'$  are elliptic curves,  $\varphi$  is an isogeny s.t.  $\ker \varphi$  is a cyclic group of order  $N$ . (It is actually even defined over  $\mathbb{Z}$ !)

Heegner pts:  $\tau \in \mathfrak{h}$  is an algebraic number.

$$[\tau] \in \frac{\mathfrak{h}}{\Gamma_0(N)} = Y_0(N)$$

Thm:  $[\tau]$  is algebraic iff  $\tau$  is quadratic.

Heegner pt:  $z = \frac{b + \sqrt{D}}{2a} \in \mathfrak{h}$  is a Heegner pt of disc  $D$  in  $Y_0(N)$  if every  $p|N$  splits/ramifies in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$ .

There are finitely many Heegner pts of disc  $D$ .

$$Z(D) = \sum_{\text{disc}(\tau)=D} [\tau] \in Z'(Y_0(N)) \quad \text{Heegner cycle defined over } \mathbb{Q}.$$

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 $X_0(N) =$

$$Y(D) = Z(D) - \deg Z(D) \frac{(0) + (\infty)}{2} \in J_0(N)(\mathbb{Q}) \text{ an abelian variety.}$$

Neron-Tate:  $J_0(N)(\mathbb{Q}) = \text{f.g. abelian group}$

There is a canonical positive definite quadratic form (Neron-Tate height)

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{NT} : J_0(N)(\mathbb{Q}) / \text{tors} \times J_0(N)(\mathbb{Q}) / \text{tors} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}.$$

$$\langle y, y \rangle_{NT} = 0 \iff y \text{ is of finite order.}$$

Basically, we have used a mod field to produce a rational pt on an abelian

variety. Norm-Tate tells you whether the pt you produced is trivial or not!

Wiles' BCDT:  $E$  is modular

①  $\exists$  a non-zero map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_0(N) & \hookrightarrow & J_0(N) \quad y(D) \\ \searrow \pi & & \swarrow \pi \\ & & E(\mathbb{Q}) \quad \pi(y(D)) \end{array}$$

②  $L(E, s) = L(f_E, s)$  for some newform  $f_E$  of wt  $\geq$  level  $\Gamma_0(N)$ .

Gross-Zagier Formula: (1980's) (Special case)  $w(E) = -1$ ,  $p|N$  is split in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$ .

$$L'(E, 1) L(E^D, 1) = * \langle y(D), y(D) \rangle_{NT}$$

where

$E_D: Dy^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  is the quadratic twist of  $E$ .

One can always find  $D$  s.t.  $L(E^D, 1) \neq 0 \Rightarrow L'(E, 1) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow$

$y(D)$  is of infinite order.

$\Rightarrow$   $\#k E(\mathbb{Q}) = 1$  (all other pts are mult. of  $y(D)$ ).

Question: Can we construct "y\_E" a.s.t.  $L'(E, 1) = * \langle y_E, y_E \rangle_{NT}$ ?

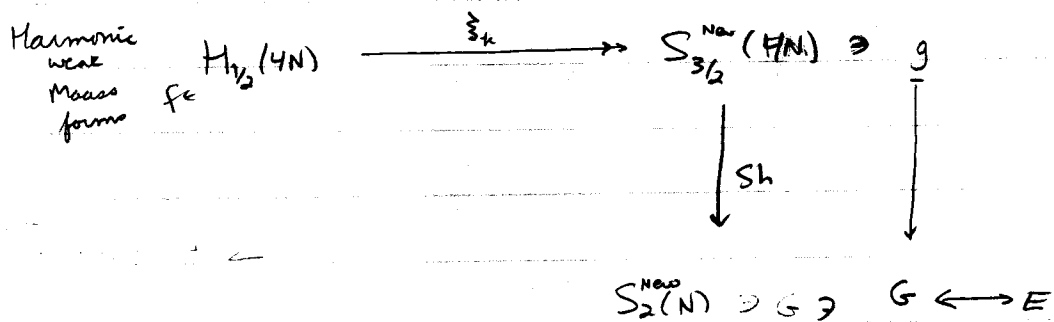
Thm (Breuer, 1994): We can construct  $y_E$  systematically

s.t.  $L'(E, 1) = * \langle y_E, y_E \rangle_{NT}$  when  $w(E) = -1$ .

The proof is very different from the standard proof of G-Z. using mostly modularity.

This theorem is part of a more general form on Shimura variety of orthogonal type.

(Actually for general modular forms, not just at 2!)



$$f = \underbrace{\sum_{n \geq 0} c^+(n) q^n}_{f^+(\tau)} + \underbrace{\sum_{n < 0} c^-(n) \Gamma(1/2, 4\pi|n|V) q^n}_{f^-(\tau)}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 y(f) \rightarrow y_E \\
 y(f) = \sum_{n \geq 0} c^+(-n) y(-n) \in J_0(N) \rightarrow E
 \end{array}$$

Thm:  $* L'(G, 1) = \langle y(f), y(f) \rangle_{NT}$