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## How do generic properties spread?

## Families of isogenous elliptic curves ordered by height

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## Callech The General Question

$\star$ Given a family $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ of algebraic varieties over a field $k$, with $\mathcal{S}$ an irreducible scheme. Let $\mathcal{X}_{\eta}$ be its generic fiber.

## $\star$ Question:

* What type of properties of $\mathcal{X} \eta$ extend to other fibers? [e.g., smoothness, (geometrically) simple, cohomology, Picard rank...]
* How/In which way do these properties extend? Can we get a quantitative estimation for the 'exotic' points?
$\star$ Hilbert irreducibility theorem: for a number field $k$, a dominant map $X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n}$ defined over $k$ which is generically of degree $d$, the fiber over 'most' $k$-rational points $t \in \mathbb{P}^{n}(k)$ is a finite set of Galois-conjugate points where $G$ acts freely transitively.
$\star$ Quantitative estimates for size of the complement(S. Cohen):

$$
\left|M_{k}(B)\right|=O\left(B^{(n-1 / 2) d}(\log B)^{\gamma}\right)
$$

with $\gamma<1,[k: \mathbb{Q}]=d$.

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## Caltech Families of isogenous elliptic curves ordered by height

* Define $\iota$ to be the map:

$$
\iota: X(1) \times X(1) \supset C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{1} \times \mathbb{P}^{1} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{3}
$$

such that $\iota$ is the composition of $j$-invariant map and the Segre embedding. $\star$ Let $H\left(P_{t}\right)$ be the projective height of $\iota\left(P_{t}\right) \in \mathbb{P}^{3}$.

* Let $S(B)$ be the set of specializations $t \in C(K)$ where there is an $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$-isogeny between $E_{t}$ and $E_{t}^{\prime}$ with height at most $B$.


## Theorem (Fu, 2023)

Let $K$ be a number field of degree $d_{K}$. let $C$ be a rational curve over $K$ isomorphic to $\mathbb{P}^{1}$ which parametrizes a one-dimensional family of pairs of elliptic curves $\left(E, E^{\prime}\right)$. Let $\left(E_{t}, E_{t}^{\prime}\right)$ be the generic fiber of this family over $K(t)$, and suppose that there exists no $K(t)$-isogeny between $E_{t}$ and $E_{t}^{\prime}$. Let $d=\operatorname{deg} \iota^{*} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{3}}(1)$ be the degree of the parameter family $C$ defined with respect to $\iota$. We have

$$
|S(B)| \lesssim K d^{4}(\log B)^{6} .
$$

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## Caltech Relate to the uniform boundedness conjecture

$\star$ Let $Z(C ; B)(K)=\left\{x \in C \cap \bigcup_{n} X_{0}(n)(K) \mid H(x) \leq B\right\}$ Our main theorem can be reformulated as: $|Z(C ; B)(K)| \lesssim K d^{4}(\log B)^{6}$
$\star$ Uniform boundedness(Merel,1994): Suppose $[K: \mathbb{Q}]=d$, we have $\left|E(K)_{\text {tors }}\right| \leq B(d)$.
$\star$ (Parent, 1999) $E / K,[K: \mathbb{Q}]=d, E\left[p^{n}\right](K) \neq O$. Then

$$
p^{n} \leq \begin{cases}129\left(3^{d}-1\right)(3 d)^{6} & \text { if } p=2 \\ 65\left(5^{d}-1\right)(2 d)^{6} & \text { if } p=3 \\ 65\left(3^{d}-1\right)(2 d)^{6} & \text { if } p \geq 5\end{cases}
$$

$\star d=1$, Mazur. $B(2)=24$ vs Parent's bound $\Rightarrow 6.3 \times 10^{39}$ Not sharp!
$\star$ Our theorem describes the distribution of $K$-rational points on $\bigcup_{n} X_{0}(n)$ cut out by $C$, in terms of height, over arbitrary number field $K$.

## Caltech Question

* Can we remove the dependence on $C$ ? Or at least the degree of $C$ ?
$\star$ Suppose $C$ is a curve defined over $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$. Is $Z(C ; B)(\bar{Q})$ finite? If this is the case, can we get an upper bound of $Z(C ; B)(\bar{Q})$ in terms of $B$ ?

