

# Towards a classification of $p^2$ -discriminant ideal twins over number fields

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# Background and Motivation

## Definition

Let  $K$  be a number field and let  $E$  and  $E'$  be elliptic curves defined over  $K$  that are not  $K$ -isomorphic. We say that  $E$  and  $E'$  are **discriminant ideal twins** if they have the same discriminant ideal and the same conductor.

If, in addition, for each prime  $\mathfrak{p}$  there exist  $\mathfrak{p}$ -minimal models for  $E$  and  $E'$  defined over  $\mathcal{O}_K$  such that  $\Delta_{\mathfrak{p}} = \Delta'_{\mathfrak{p}}$ , then we say  $E$  and  $E'$  are **discriminant twins**.

Two isogenous elliptic curves have the same conductor.

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- (Deines, 2018) Over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , there are only finitely many semistable (i.e., multiplicative at each prime) isogenous discriminant twins.
- (Barrios, Brucal-Hallare, Deines, Harris, Roy, 2024) The authors provide a classification of all  $p$ -isogenous discriminant ideal twins over number fields where  $p \in \{2, 3, 5, 7, 13\}$ , i.e., where  $X_0(p)$  has genus 0.
- If  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are  $n$ -isogenous elliptic curves over  $K$ , then there are  $t \in K$  and  $d \in \mathcal{O}_K$  such that  $E_i$  is  $K$ -isomorphic to  $C_{n,i}(t, d): y^2 = x^3 + d^2 A_{n,i}(t)x + d^3 B_{n,i}(t)$ .

# Main Theorems

## Theorem (Deines, H., Iorga, Namoiyam, Roy, Watson, 2024)

Let  $E_1$  and  $E_3$  be  $p^2$ -isogenous elliptic curves over a number field  $K$  such that their  $j$ -invariants are not equal. Suppose further that  $E_i \cong C_{p^2,i}(t, d)$ , where  $t \in \mathcal{O}_K$  and  $d \in \mathcal{O}_K/(\mathcal{O}_K)^2$ . Then  $E_1$  and  $E_3$  are discriminant ideal twins if and only if for each prime  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_K$ ,

- $p = 3$ : we have  $\nu_{\mathfrak{p}}(t - 3) = 3k_{\mathfrak{p}}$  for  $0 \leq k_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \nu_{\mathfrak{p}}(3)$ .

The two curves are discriminant twins if and only if  $t$  satisfies the above and  $(t - 3)^8 \in \mathcal{O}_K^{12}$ .

- $p = 5$ : we have  $\nu_{\mathfrak{p}}(t - 1) = k_{\mathfrak{p}}$  for  $0 \leq k_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \nu_{\mathfrak{p}}(5)$ .

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## Corollary (Deines, H., Iorga, Namoiyam, Roy, Watson, 2024)

Up to twists, there are finitely many  $p^2$ -isogenous discriminant ideal twins over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , for odd  $p$  for which  $X_0(p^2)$  has genus 0.