

3.1 Abelian varieties & curves with cyclic action

(not so) hidden agenda:

Do smooth curves w/
interesting NP's exist?

Does $\underbrace{\text{open Torelli locus}}_{\text{smooth curves}}$ Jacobians

intersect NP strata
that have small dim?

arithmetic

yes!

geometry

well....

History:

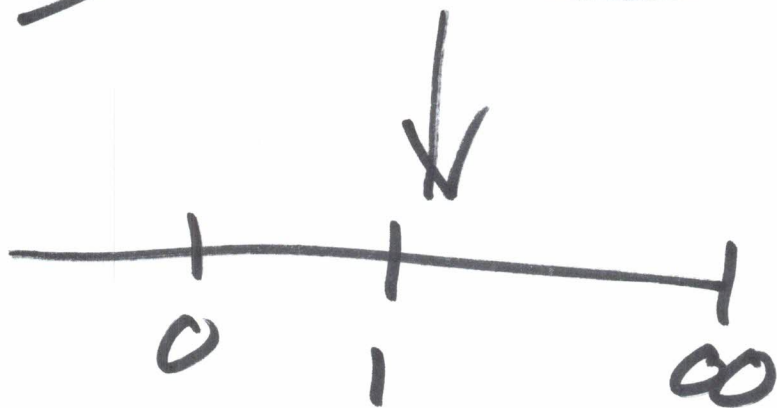
today:

$$g=6$$

$$C: y^m = x(x-1)$$

m odd
prime

quotient
of Fermat
curve



x-line

3.1 $g_c = \binom{m-1}{2}$

$\Upsilon(x, y) = (x, \zeta_m y)$

order m

$Q(\zeta_m) = K \hookrightarrow \text{Jac}(C)$

/ deg $m-1$

Q has complex multiplication.

3.1 Weil

Jacobi sums

f order of $p \pmod m$

f even $\Rightarrow C$ super singular.

Ex. $m=13$

$g=6$

SS \Rightarrow if $p \not\equiv 1, 3, 9 \pmod{13}$

3.2 / μ_m -action

Cyclic μ_m -cover

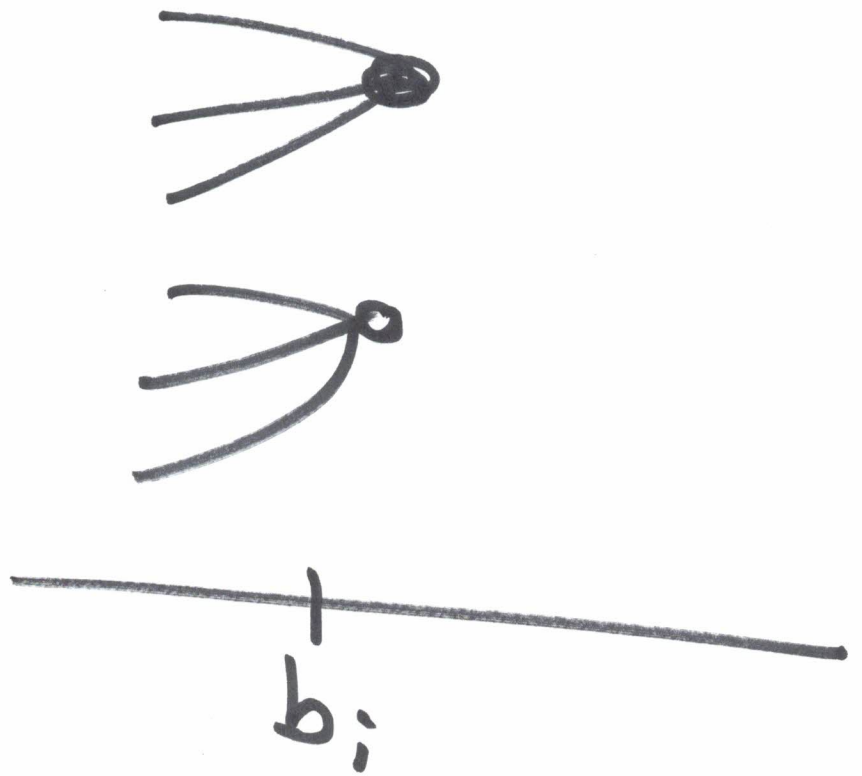
$$C \xrightarrow{\mu_m} \mathbb{P}^1 \quad m = \text{degree}$$

$$y^m = \prod_{i=1}^N (x - b_i)^{a_i}$$

branch point

$$\sum a_i \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

$$N = \# \text{ branch}$$



move 3 branch points
to $0, 1, \infty$

3.2 Ex.

$$M[16]: \quad m=5 \quad g=6 \\ N=5$$

$$y^5 = x(x-1)(x-b_1)(x-b_2) \dots$$

$$M[17] \quad m=9 \quad g=7 \\ N=4$$

$$y^9 = x(x-1)(x-b_1)$$

3.3

$$1 \leq a_i < m$$

$$\sum a_i \equiv 0 \pmod{m}$$

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$$\vec{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

inertia type

$$\delta = (m, N, \vec{a})$$

monodromy
data

3.3

\mathcal{H}_δ

Hurwitz space

$$C \xrightarrow{\mu_m} \mathbb{P}^1$$

$$\# \text{branch} = N$$

$$\text{inertia } \vec{a}$$

\mathcal{H}_δ

$$\dim(\mathcal{H}_\delta) =$$

↓

$$N - 3$$

\mathcal{M}_g

3.4 | Abelian varieties
 μ_m -action

$$H^0(C, \Omega^1) = \bigoplus L_i$$

\uparrow acts on L_i
by mult by ζ_m^i

\xrightarrow{a} determines

$$f_i = \dim(L_i)$$

$$\vec{f} = (f_1, \dots, f_{m-1})$$

signature type

Ex MS16]

$$m=5$$

$$\vec{f} = (3, 2, 1, 0)$$

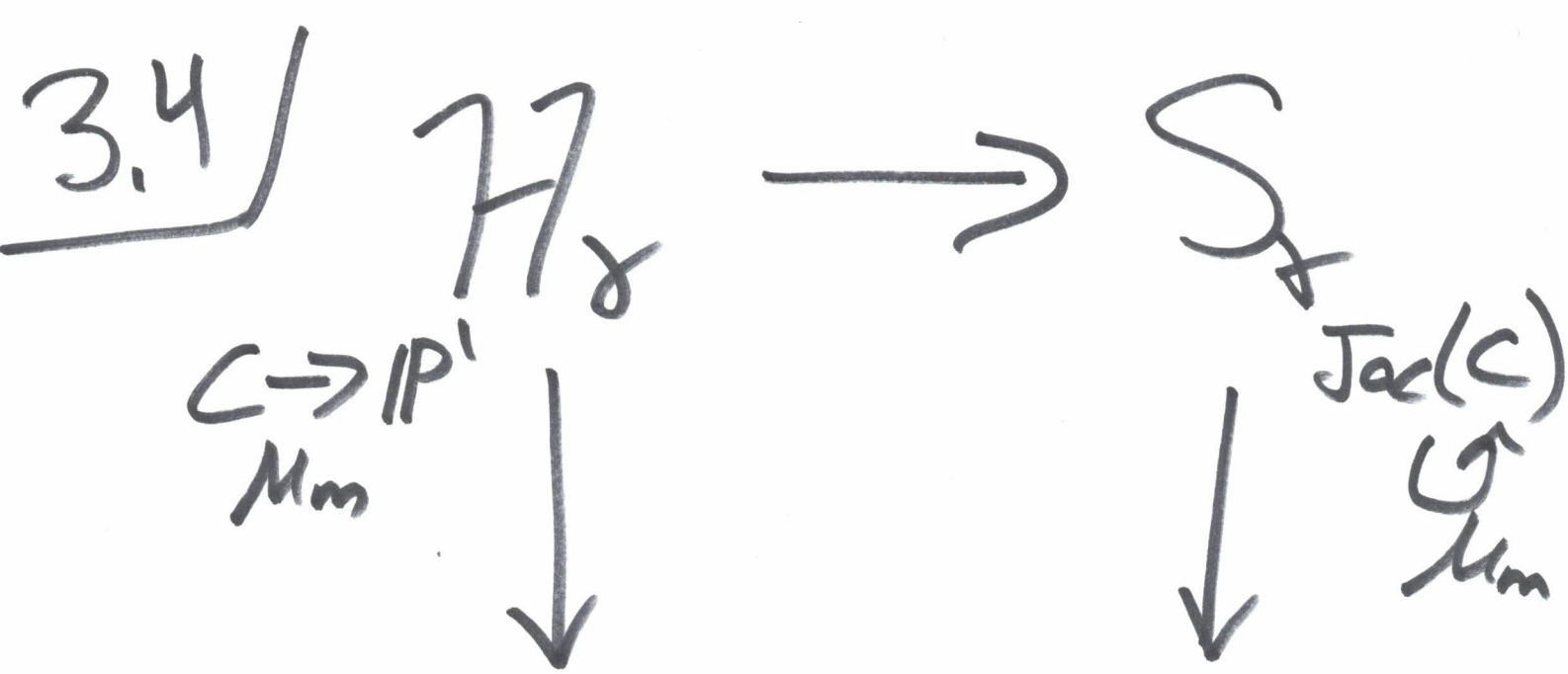
3.4

$S_g =$
moduli
space

X ab. var

M_m -action

signature \vec{f}

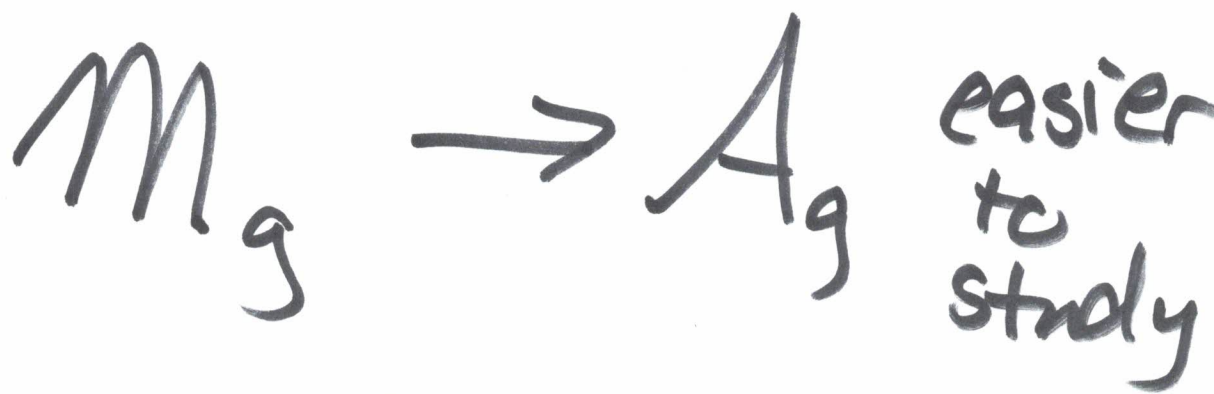
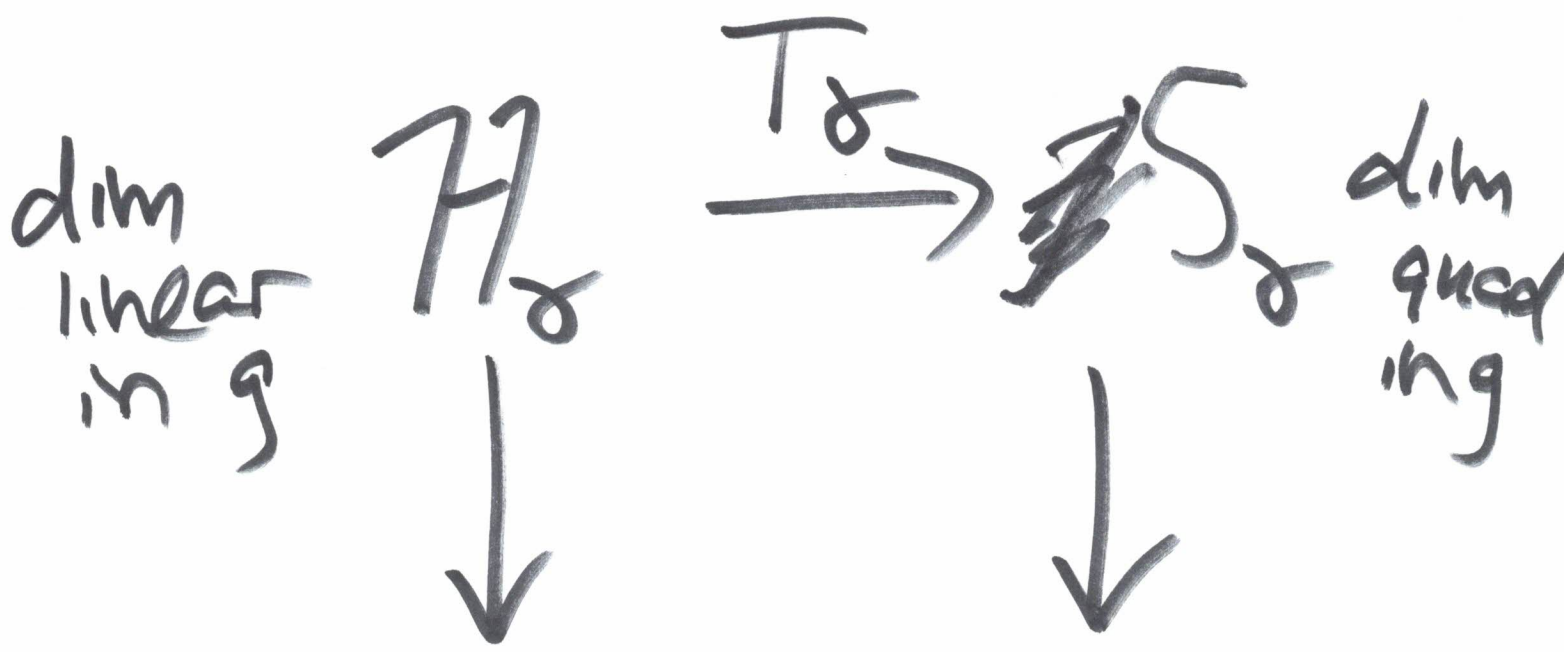


$$M_g \xrightarrow{T} A_g$$

S_g Deligne-Mostow Shimura variety.

3.5 $m = \text{odd}$

$$\dim(S_\sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{m-1}{2}} f_i f_{m-i}$$



$g=2,3$

image open + dense

false $g \geq 4$

is $\text{Im}(T_\alpha)$ open + dense in \mathcal{S}_α ?

"Def" γ is special
if image of T_γ
open & dense in S_γ

"almost every" abelian var
 $X \hookrightarrow M_m$ sig. f
is a Jacobian.

3.5 / \mathbb{C}

Oort's expectation:

$g \geq 8$

~~not special~~

Coleman conj. CM abelian
varieties

false

for $S=7$

3.6 Mod p

Restrictions on p -rank

NP & EO type

for $C \in \mathbb{F}_q$

or $X \in S_q$

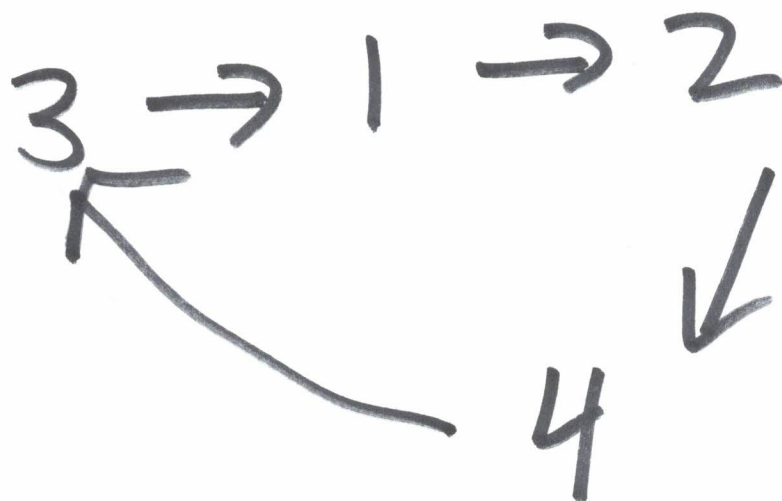
Understood on

S_q

3.6.

$[X, P]$ on $\mathbb{Z}/m - \{0\}$
orbits of action

$$m=5 \quad p \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$



$$\mathbb{Z}/m$$

$$\langle p \rangle$$

Ex. M_{16} (3, 2, 1, 0)

dimensions

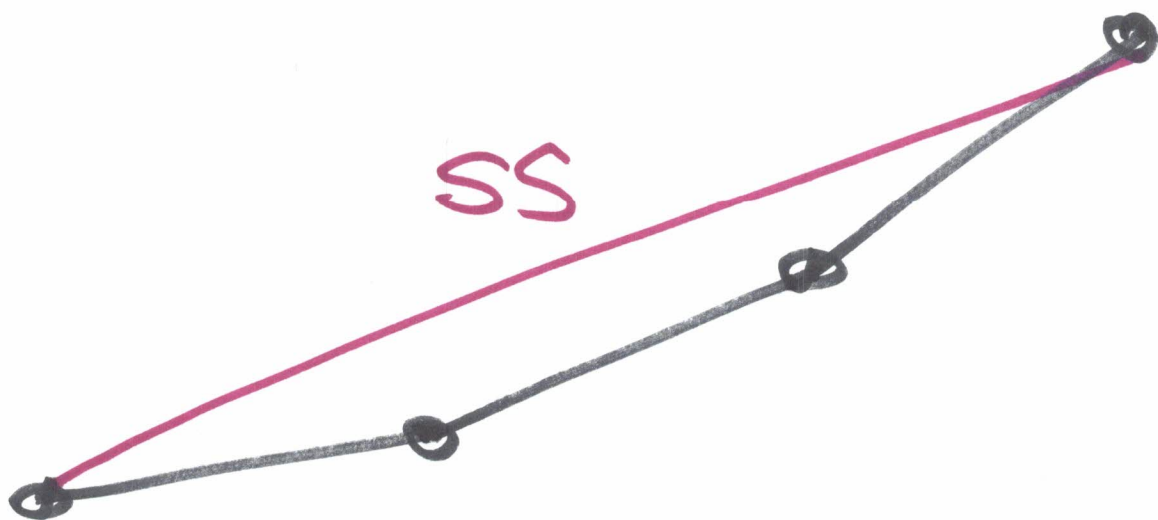
$[x_p] \subset \{L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4\}$
 $p \equiv 2 \pmod 5$

max p -rank is 0

conditions on NP

$$\Rightarrow G_{1,3} \oplus G_{3,1} \oplus G_{\dots}^2$$

slopes $(1/4, 3/4) + (1/2, 1/2)$



3.8 Li / Mantovan / Tang / P

$M[16]$



$M[19]$



~~App~~
 $M[16]$

$$p \gg 0$$

\exists smooth supersing.
 curve genus $g=6$

$$\forall p \equiv 2, 3, 4 \pmod{5}$$

$M[19]$

\exists

$$g=7 \quad p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

3.9 | not special

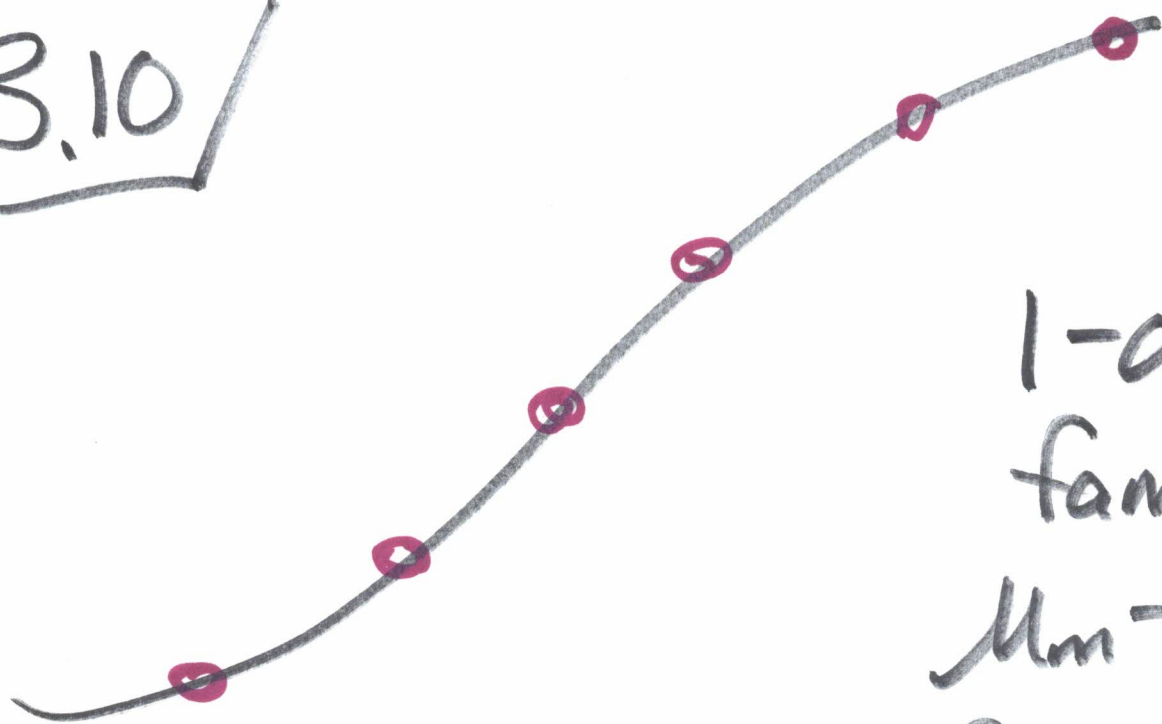
Miller/Katz/Kotwitz:

Image of M_g in A_g
intersects $\begin{cases} \mu\text{-ord locus} \\ \text{non-ord locus} \end{cases}$

LMPT: infinitely many
types of δ

image of \mathbb{F}_δ in S_δ
intersects $\begin{cases} \mu\text{-ord locus} \\ \text{non-}\mu\text{-ord locus} \end{cases}$

3.10



1-dim
family of
 μ_m -covers
 $C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$

Q: rate of
growth of # of
non μ -ord curves in
family as p grows.
w/ Renzo Cavalieri

$N=4$