

# Cubic Thue equations and simplest cubic fields

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**Aim:** To provide **NEW METHOD** to solve Thue equations!  
(splitting field method)

- ▶ On correspondence between solutions of a family of cubic Thue equations and isomorphism classes of the simplest cubic fields, J. Number Theory **131** (2011) 2135–2150.

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# §1 Introduction: known results of cubic case

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We consider Thomas' family of cubic Thue equations

$$F_m^{(3)}(X, Y) := X^3 - mX^2Y - (m+3)XY^2 - Y^3 = \lambda$$

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for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}$  ( $\lambda \neq 0$ ).

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- ▶ For fixed  $m, \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\exists^{<\infty} (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  s.t.  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda$  (Thue's theorem, 1909)
- ▶ The splitting fields  $L_m^{(3)} := \text{Spl}_{\mathbb{Q}} F_m^{(3)}(X, 1)$  are totally real cyclic cubic fields called **Shanks' simplest cubic**.
- ▶ We may assume that  $-1 \leq m$  and  $0 < \lambda$  because

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$$\begin{aligned} F_{-m-3}^{(3)}(X, Y) &= F_m^{(3)}(-Y, -X), \\ -F_m^{(3)}(X, Y) &= F_m^{(3)}(-X, -Y). \end{aligned}$$

- ▶  $L_m^{(3)} = L_{-m-3}^{(3)}$  ( $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ).

$$F_m^{(3)}(X, Y) := X^3 - mX^2Y - (m+3)XY^2 - Y^3 = \lambda$$

for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}$  ( $\lambda \neq 0$ ).

- ▶  $\lambda = a^3$  for some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = a^3$  has three **trivial solutions**  $(a, 0)$ ,  $(0, -a)$ ,  $(-a, a)$ , i.e.  $xy(x+y) = 0$ .
- ▶ If  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  is solution, then  $(y, -x-y)$ ,  $(-x-y, x)$  are also solutions because  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y)$  is invariant under the action  $x \mapsto y \mapsto -x-y \mapsto x$  of order three.
- ▶  $3 \mid \#\{(x, y) \mid F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda\}$ .
- ▶  $\text{disc}_X F_m^{(3)}(X, 1) = (m^2 + 3m + 9)^2$ .
- ▶ For  $\lambda = 1$ , **Thomas** and **Mignotte** solved completely a family of the equations  $(\forall m)$  as follows:

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# Thomas' theorem for a family of Thue equations

$$F_m^{(3)}(X, Y) = X^3 - mX^2Y - (m + 3)XY^2 - Y^3 = 1$$

By using Baker's theory, Thomas proved:

## Theorem (Thomas 1990)

If  $-1 \leq m \leq 10^3$  or  $1.365 \times 10^7 \leq m$ , then all solutions of  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = 1$  are given by trivial solutions  $(x, y) = (0, -1), (-1, 1), (1, 0)$  for  $\forall m$  and additionally

$$(x, y) = (-1, -1), (-1, 2), (2, -1) \quad \text{for } m = -1,$$

$$(x, y) = (5, 4), (4, -9), (-9, 5) \quad \text{for } m = -1,$$

$$(x, y) = (2, 1), (1, -3), (-3, 2) \quad \text{for } m = 0,$$

$$(x, y) = (-7, -2), (-2, 9), (9, -7) \quad \text{for } m = 2.$$

## Theorem (Mignotte 1993)

For the remaining case,  $\exists$  only trivial solutions.

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# Mignotte-Pethö-Lemmermeyer (1996)

$$F_m^{(3)}(X, Y) = X^3 - mX^2Y - (m+3)XY^2 - Y^3 = \lambda$$

By using Baker's theory, they proved:

## Theorem Mignotte-Pethö-Lemmermeyer (1996)

Let  $m \geq 1649$  and  $\lambda > 1$ . If  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda$ , then

$$\log |y| < c_1 \log^2(m+3) + c_2 \log(m+1) \log \lambda$$

where

$$c_1 = 700 + 476.4 \left(1 - \frac{1432.1}{m+1}\right)^{-1} \left(1.501 - \frac{1902}{m+1}\right) < 1956.4,$$

$$c_2 = 29.82 + \left(1 - \frac{1432.1}{m+1}\right)^{-1} \frac{1432}{(m+1) \log(m+1)} < 30.71.$$

Example (much smaller than previous bounds)

- ▶ If  $m = 1649$  and  $\lambda = 10^9$ , then  $|y| < 10^{48698}$ .

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$$F_m^{(3)}(X, Y) = X^3 - mX^2Y - (m+3)XY^2 - Y^3 = \lambda$$

## Theorem Mignotte-Pethö-Lemmermeyer (1996)

For  $-1 \leq m$  and  $1 < \lambda \leq 2m+3$ , all solutions to  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda$  are given by trivial solutions for  $\lambda = a^3$  and

$$(x, y) \in \{(-1, 2), (2, -1), (-1, -1), \\ (-1, m+2), (m+2, -m-1), (-m-1, -1)\}$$

for  $\lambda = 2m+3$ ,

except for  $m = 1$  in which case  $\exists$  extra solutions:

$$(x, y) \in \{(1, -4), (-4, 3), (3, 1), (3, -11), (-11, 8), (8, 3)\}$$

for  $\lambda = 5 (= 2m+3)$ .

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## Lettl-Pethö-Voutier (1999)

Let  $\theta_2$  be a root of  $f_m(X) := F_m(X, 1)$  with  $-\frac{1}{2} < \theta_2 < 0$ .

By using hypergeometric method, they proved:

### Theorem Lettl-Pethö-Voutier (1999)

Let  $m \geq 1$  and assume that  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  is a primitive solution to  $|F_m^{(3)}(x, y)| \leq \lambda(m)$  with  $-\frac{y}{2} < x \leq y$  and  $\frac{8\lambda(m)}{2m+3} \leq y$  where  $\lambda(m) : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ . Then

(i)  $x/y$  is a convergent to  $\theta_2$ , and we have either  $y = 1$  or

$$\left| \frac{x}{y} - \theta_2 \right| < \frac{\lambda(m)}{y^3(m+1)} \quad \text{and} \quad y \geq m + 2.$$

(ii) Define

$$\kappa = \frac{\log(\sqrt{m^2 + 3m + 9}) + 0.83}{\log(m + \frac{3}{2}) - 1.3}.$$

If  $m \geq 30$ , then  $y^{2-\kappa} < 17.78 \cdot 2.59^\kappa \lambda(m)$ .

### Example (comparing with MPL (1996))

► For  $m = 1649$ ,  $|y| < 635\lambda(m)^{1.54}$  instead of  $|y| < 10^{46649}\lambda(m)^{288}$ .



## §2 Main thms: Thm C and Thm S

$$f_m^{(3)}(X) := F_m^{(3)}(X, 1), \quad L_m^{(3)} := \text{Spl}_{\mathbb{Q}} f_m^{(3)}(X)$$

Go back to

Theorem (Thomas 1990, Mignotte 1993)

All solutions of  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = 1$  are given by trivial solutions  $(x, y) = (0, -1), (-1, 1), (1, 0)$  for  $\forall m$  and additionally

$$(x, y) = (-1, -1), (-1, 2), (2, -1) \quad \text{for } m = -1,$$

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Q. Why  $\exists$  12 (non-trivial) solutions? meaning?

$$\blacktriangleright L_{-1}^{(3)} = L_{12}^{(3)}, L_{-1}^{(3)} = L_{1259}^{(3)}, L_0^{(3)} = L_{54}^{(3)}, L_2^{(3)} = L_{2389}^{(3)}.$$

Splitting fields  $L_m^{(3)}$  know solutions!

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$$f_m^{(3)}(X) := F_m^{(3)}(X, 1), \quad L_m^{(3)} := \text{Spl}_{\mathbb{Q}} f_m^{(3)}(X)$$

►  $L_m^{(3)} = L_{-m-3}^{(3)}$  for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  $\text{disc}_X f_m^{(3)} = (m^2 + 3m + 9)^2$ .

## Theorem C (Correspondence)

For a given  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$\exists (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \text{ with } xy(x+y) \neq 0 \text{ s.t. } F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda$$

for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\lambda \mid m^2 + 3m + 9$

$$\iff \exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{m, -m-3\} \text{ s.t. } L_m^{(3)} = L_n^{(3)}.$$

Moreover integers  $n, m$  and  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  satisfy

$$N = m + \frac{(m^2 + 3m + 9)xy(x+y)}{F_m^{(3)}(x, y)}$$

where  $N$  is either  $n$  or  $-n-3$ .

- ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Using Theorem (Morton 1994, Chapman 1996, Hoshi-Miyake 2009) ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Using resultant method.

# Theorem C

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For a fixed  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we obtain the correspondence

$$\boxed{\exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{m, -m - 3\} \text{ s.t. } L_m^{(3)} = L_n^{(3)}} \quad (\text{I})$$

$$1 : 3 \quad \Updownarrow \quad \text{Theorem C}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \exists (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \text{ with } xy(x + y) \neq 0 \\ \text{s.t. } F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda |m^2 + 3m + 9 \end{array}} \quad (\text{II})$$

►  $\text{disc}(F_m^{(3)}(X, Y)) = (m^2 + 3m + 9)^2.$

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## R. Okazaki's theorems $O_1$ , $O_2$

Okazaki announced the following theorems in 2002.

He use his result on gaps between sol's (2002) which is based on Baker's theory: Laurent-Mignotte-Nesterenko (1995).

R. Okazaki, Geometry of a cubic Thue equation,  
Publ. Math. Debrecen 61 (2002) 267–314.

Theorem  $O_1$  (Okazaki 2002+ $\alpha$ )

For  $-1 \leq m < n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $L_m^{(3)} = L_n^{(3)}$  then  $m \leq 35731$ .

Theorem  $O_2$  (Okazaki unpublished)

For  $-1 \leq m < n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $L_m^{(3)} = L_n^{(3)}$  then  
 $m, n \in \{-1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 5, 12, 54, 66, 1259, 2389\}$ .

In particular, we get

$$\begin{aligned} L_{-1}^{(3)} &= L_5^{(3)} = L_{12}^{(3)} = L_{1259}^{(3)}, \\ L_0^{(3)} &= L_3^{(3)} = L_{54}^{(3)}, \quad L_1^{(3)} = L_{66}^{(3)}, \quad L_2^{(3)} = L_{2389}^{(3)}. \end{aligned}$$

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**Thomas'**  $4 \times 3 = 12$  non-trivial solutions for  $\lambda = 1$

$$(x, y) = (-1, -1), (-1, 2), (2, -1) \quad \text{for } m = -1,$$

$$(x, y) = (5, 4), (4, -9), (-9, 5) \quad \text{for } m = -1,$$

$$(x, y) = (2, 1), (1, -3), (-3, 2) \quad \text{for } m = 0,$$

$$(x, y) = (-7, -2), (-2, 9), (9, -7) \quad \text{for } m = 2$$

correspond to

$$L_{-1}^{(3)} = L_{12}^{(3)}, \quad L_{-1}^{(3)} = L_{1259}^{(3)}, \quad L_0^{(3)} = L_{54}^{(3)}, \quad L_2^{(3)} = L_{2389}^{(3)}.$$

$$L_{-1}^{(3)} = L_5^{(3)}, \quad L_0^{(3)} = L_3^{(3)}, \quad L_1^{(3)} = L_{66}^{(3)}, \quad L_3^{(3)} = L_{54}^{(3)}, \\ L_5^{(3)} = L_{12}^{(3)}, \quad L_5^{(3)} = L_{1259}^{(3)}, \quad L_{12}^{(3)} = L_{1259}^{(3)}$$

correspond to  $7 \times 3 = \exists 21$  (non-trivial) solutions for  $\lambda > 1$ .

$$L_m^{(3)} = L_n^{(3)} \text{ (33 solutions), } L_n^{(3)} = L_m^{(3)} \text{ (33 solutions)}$$

Conclusion: in total  $\exists 66$  solutions.

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# Theorem S: Solutions

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$$F_m^{(3)}(X, Y) = X^3 - mX^2Y - (m + 3)XY^2 - Y^3 = \lambda$$

By [Theorem C](#) and [Theorem O<sub>2</sub>](#), we get:

## Theorem S (Solutions)

For  $m \geq -1$ ,  
all integer solutions  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  with  $xy(x + y) \neq 0$   
to  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda$  with  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lambda \mid m^2 + 3m + 9$   
are given in Table 1. (66 solutions)

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Table 1

$m$	$n$	$-n - 3$	$2m + 3$	$\lambda$	$m^2 + 3m + 9$	$(x, y)$
-1	-15	12	1	1	7	$(-1, 2), (2, -1), (-1, -1)$
-1	1259	-1262	1	1	7	$(4, -9), (-9, 5), (5, 4)$
-1	5	-8	1	7	7	$(1, -3), (-3, 2), (2, 1)$
0	54	-57	3	1	9	$(1, -3), (-3, 2), (2, 1)$
0	-6	3	3	3	9	$(-1, 2), (2, -1), (-1, -1)$
1	-69	66	5	13	13	$(-2, 7), (7, -5), (-5, -2)$
2	-2392	2389	7	1	19	$(-2, 9), (9, -7), (-7, -2)$
3	-3	0	9	9	27	$(-1, 2), (2, -1), (-1, -1)$
3	-57	54	9	9	27	$(-1, 5), (5, -4), (-4, -1)$
5	1259	-1262	13	49	49	$(3, -22), (-22, 19), (19, 3)$
5	-15	12	13	49	49	$(-1, 5), (5, -4), (-4, -1)$
5	-1	-2	13	49	49	$(-1, -2), (-2, 3), (3, -1)$
12	-2	-1	27	27	$3^3 \cdot 7$	$(-1, 2), (2, -1), (-1, -1)$
12	-1262	1259	27	27	$3^3 \cdot 7$	$(-1, 14), (14, -13), (-13, -1)$
12	-8	5	27	$3^3 \cdot 7$	$3^3 \cdot 7$	$(-1, 5), (5, -4), (-4, -1)$
54	0	-3	111	$7^3$	$3^2 \cdot 7^3$	$(-1, -2), (-2, 3), (3, -1)$
54	-6	3	111	$3 \cdot 7^3$	$3^2 \cdot 7^3$	$(-1, 5), (5, -4), (-4, -1)$
66	-4	1	135	$3^3 \cdot 13^2$	$3^3 \cdot 13^2$	$(-2, 7), (7, -5), (-5, -2)$
1259	-1	-2	2521	$61^3$	$7 \cdot 61^3$	$(-4, -5), (-5, 9), (9, -4)$
1259	-15	12	2521	$61^3$	$7 \cdot 61^3$	$(-1, 14), (14, -13), (-13, -1)$
1259	5	-8	2521	$7 \cdot 61^3$	$7 \cdot 61^3$	$(-3, -19), (-19, 22), (22, -3)$
2389	-5	2	4781	$67^3$	$19 \cdot 67^3$	$(-2, 9), (9, -7), (-7, -2)$

### §3 Theorem $O_1$ : Okazaki's Theorem

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For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we take

$$F_m^{(3)}(X, Y) = (X - \theta_1^{(m)}Y)(X - \theta_2^{(m)}Y)(X - \theta_3^{(m)}Y),$$

and  $L_m = \mathbb{Q}(\theta_1^{(m)})$ . We see

$$-2 < \theta_3^{(m)} < -1, \quad -\frac{1}{2} < \theta_2^{(m)} < 0, \quad 1 < \theta_1^{(m)}.$$

Take the exterior product

$$\boldsymbol{\delta} = {}^t(\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3) := \mathbf{1} \times \boldsymbol{\theta} = {}^t(\theta_2 - \theta_3, \theta_3 - \theta_1, \theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

where  $\mathbf{1} = {}^t(1, 1, 1)$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = {}^t(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

The norm  $N(\boldsymbol{\delta}) = \delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3 = -\sqrt{D}$  where  $D = ((\theta_1 - \theta_2)(\theta_1 - \theta_3)(\theta_2 - \theta_3))^2$ .

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## The canonical lattice

$$\mathcal{L}^{\natural} = \delta(\mathbb{Z}\mathbf{1} + \mathbb{Z}\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

of  $F$  is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{1}$ , where the product of vectors is the component-wise product. We consider the curve  $\mathcal{H}$

$$\mathcal{H} : z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 0, \quad z_1 z_2 z_3 = \sqrt{D}.$$

on the plane  $\Pi = \{ {}^t(z_1, z_2, z_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 0 \}$ .

For  $(x, y)$  with  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = 1$ , we see  $x\mathbf{1} - y\boldsymbol{\theta} \in (\mathcal{O}_{L_m}^{\times})^3$  because  $N(x\mathbf{1} - y\boldsymbol{\theta}) = 1$ . Then we get a bijection

$$(x, y) \longleftrightarrow \mathbf{z} = \delta(-x\mathbf{1} + y\boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \mathcal{L}^{\natural} \cap \mathcal{H}$$

via  $N(\mathbf{z}) = N(\delta)N(-x\mathbf{1} + y\boldsymbol{\theta}) = (-\sqrt{D})(-1) = \sqrt{D}$ . Let

$\log : (\mathbb{R}^{\times})^3 \ni {}^t(z_1, z_2, z_3) \mapsto {}^t(\log |z_1|, \log |z_2|, \log |z_3|) \in \mathbb{R}^3$

be the logarithmic map. By Dirichlet's unit theorem, the set

$$\mathcal{E}(L_m) := \{ \log \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \mid \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = {}^t(\varepsilon, \varepsilon^{\sigma}, \varepsilon^{\sigma^2}), \varepsilon \in \mathcal{O}_{L_m}^{\times} \}$$

is a lattice of rank 2 on the plane

$$\Pi_{\log} := \{ {}^t(u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid u_1 + u_2 + u_3 = 0 \}.$$

We use the modified logarithmic map

$$\phi : (\mathbb{R}^\times)^3 \ni \mathbf{z} \mapsto \mathbf{u} = {}^t(u_1, u_2, u_3) = \log(D^{-1/6}\mathbf{z}) \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

For  $(x, y)$  with  $F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = 1$  and

$$\mathbf{z} = \delta(-x\mathbf{1} + y\boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \mathcal{L}^{\natural} \cap \mathcal{H},$$

$\mathbf{u} = \phi(\mathbf{z}) = \phi(\delta(-x\mathbf{1} + y\boldsymbol{\theta})) \in \phi(\delta) + \mathcal{E}(L_m) \subset \Pi_{\log}$ ; the displaced lattice, since  $-x\mathbf{1} + y\boldsymbol{\theta} \in (\mathcal{O}_{L_m}^\times)^3$ . We can show

$$\blacktriangleright 3\phi(\delta) \in \mathcal{E}(L_m).$$

We now assume that  $L_m = L_n$  for  $-1 \leq m < n$  and take a common trivial solution  $(x, y) = (1, 0)$ . Then

$$\mathbf{u}^{(m)}, \mathbf{u}^{(n)} \in \mathcal{M} = \mathbb{Z}\phi(\delta^{(m)}) + \mathbb{Z}\phi(\delta^{(n)}) + \mathcal{E}(L_m) \subset \Pi_{\log}$$

where  $\mathcal{M}$  is a lattice with discriminant

$d(\mathcal{M}) = d(\mathcal{E}(L_m)), \frac{1}{3}d(\mathcal{E}(L_m))$  or  $\frac{1}{9}d(\mathcal{E}(L_m))$ . We may get:

$$\blacktriangleright d(\mathcal{M}) = d(\mathcal{E}(L_m)) \text{ or } \frac{1}{3}d(\mathcal{E}(L_m)).$$

We adopt local coordinates for  $\mathcal{C} := \phi(\mathcal{H}) \subset \Pi_{\log}$  by

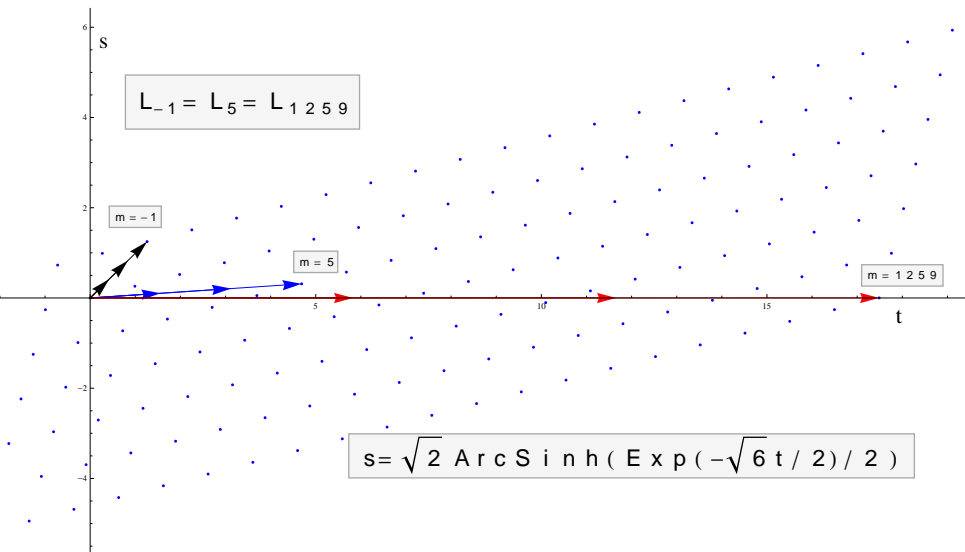
$$s = s(\mathbf{u}) := \frac{u_2 - u_3}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad t = t(\mathbf{u}) := -\frac{\sqrt{6}u_1}{2}.$$

Then

$$s = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{arcsinh} \left( \exp \left( -\sqrt{6}t/2 \right) / 2 \right), \quad 0 \leq s \leq \sqrt{3}t.$$

### Example

$m$	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5
$s$	0.4163	0.3016	0.2263	0.1773	0.1444	0.1212	0.1042
$t$	0.4206	0.6893	0.9267	1.1269	1.2952	1.4385	1.5624



Using a result of Laurent-Mignotte-Nesterenko (1995) in Baker's theory, Okazaki proved:

### Theorem 1 (Okazaki 2002)

Assume distinct points  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}^{(m)}$  and  $\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{u}^{(n)}$  of  $\mathcal{M}$  on  $\mathcal{C}$ . Assume  $t = t(\mathbf{u}) \leq t' = t(\mathbf{u}')$ . Then

$$\frac{\sqrt{2} d(\mathcal{M}) \exp(\sqrt{6}t/2)}{1 + \exp(-2(t' - t)/\sqrt{6} \log 2)} \leq t'.$$

### Theorem 2 (Okazaki 2002)

For  $z' \in \mathcal{L}^{\natural} \cap \mathcal{H}$  and  $t' = t(z')$ , we have

$$\frac{t'}{d(\mathbb{Z}\phi(\delta) + \mathcal{E}(L_m))} \leq 5.04 \times 10^4.$$

Combining these two theorems, we have: (Theorem  $O_1$ )

$$L_m^{(3)} = L_n^{(3)} \quad (-1 \leq m < n) \Rightarrow t \leq 8.56 \text{ and } m \leq 35731.$$

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Indeed, we can show

$$0.14 \exp(\sqrt{6}t/2) - t < t' - t.$$

Then it follows

$$\frac{\sqrt{2} \exp(\sqrt{6}t/2)}{1 + \exp(-2(0.14 \exp(\sqrt{6}t/2) - t)/\sqrt{6} \log 2)} < \frac{\sqrt{2} \exp(\sqrt{6}t/2)}{1 + \exp(-2(t' - t)/\sqrt{6} \log 2)} \stackrel{\text{Thm 1}}{\leq} \frac{t'}{d(\mathcal{M})} \stackrel{\text{Thm 2}}{\leq} 5.04 \times 10^4.$$

We get  $t \leq 8.56$  and hence  $m \leq 35731$ . □

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## §4 Theorem C+Theorem $O_1 \Rightarrow$ Theorem S

It is enough to find all non-trivial solutions  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  to

$$F_m^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda \mid m^2 + 3m + 9 \text{ for } -1 \leq m \leq 35731.$$

Indeed if there exists a non-trivial solution  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  to

$$F_n^{(3)}(x, y) = \lambda \mid n^2 + 3n + 9 \text{ for } n \geq 35732 \text{ then there exists } -1 \leq m \leq 35731 \text{ such that } L_m = L_n \text{ (by Thms C and } O_1).$$

(i)  $-1 \leq m \leq 2407$ . For small  $m$ , we can use a **computer** (**Bilu-Hanrot** method).

(ii)  $2408 \leq m \leq 35731$  and  $2(2m + 3 + \frac{27}{2m+3}) \leq y$ . We

consider  $|F_m^{(3)}(x, y)| \leq m^2 + 3m + 9$ . Applying

**Lettel-Pethö-Voutier** Theorem  $\lambda(m) = m^2 + 3m + 9$ ,

$$\frac{8\lambda(m)}{2m+3} = 2 \left( 2m + 3 + \frac{27}{2m+3} \right), \quad x/y \text{ is a convergent to } \theta_2.$$

But we see that this case has no solution.

(iii)  $2408 \leq m \leq 35731$  and  $y < 2(2m + 3 + \frac{27}{2m+3})$ . The bound is small enough to reach using a **computer**.

- ▶ This gives another proof of Thm  $O_2$  because Thm C+Thm S  $\Rightarrow$  Thm  $O_2$ .

▶ Theorem  $O_2$

Cubic Thue equations and simplest cubic fields

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## §5 Higher degree cases: Degree 6 case

$$F_m^{(6)}(x, y) = x^6 - 2mx^5y - (5m + 15)x^4y^2 - 20x^3y^3 + 5mx^2y^4 + (2m + 6)xy^5 + y^6 = \lambda$$

- ▶  $f_m^{(6)}(X) := F_m^{(6)}(X, 1)$ .
- ▶  $f_m^{(6)}(X)$  is irreducible/ $\mathbb{Q}$  for  $m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-8, -3, 0, 5\}$ .
- ▶  $L_m^{(6)} := \text{Spl}_{\mathbb{Q}} f_m^{(6)}(X)$ , then  $L_m^{(6)} = L_{-m-3}^{(6)}$ ; the **simplest sextic fields**.
- ▶  $L_m^{(3)} \subset L_m^{(6)}$  for  $\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

### Theorem (Theorem C)

For a given  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{m, -m - 3\}$  s.t.  $L_m^{(6)} = L_n^{(6)}$   
 $\iff \exists (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  with  
 $xy(x+y)(x-y)(x+2y)(2x+y) \neq 0$  s.t.  $F_m^{(6)}(x, y) = \lambda$   
for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\lambda \mid 27(m^2 + 3m + 9)$ .



Moreover integers  $n, m$  and  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  satisfy

$$N = m + \frac{(m^2 + 3m + 9)xy(x+y)(x-y)(x+2y)(2x+y)}{F_m^{(6)}(x, y)}$$

where  $N$  is either  $n$  or  $-n - 3$ .

By Theorem  $O_2$  and the fact  $L_m^{(3)} \subset L_m^{(6)}$ , we get:

### Theorem

For  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $L_m^{(6)} = L_n^{(6)} \iff m = n$  or  $m = -n - 3$ .

### Theorem (Theorem S)

For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $F_m^{(6)}(x, y) = \lambda$  with  $\lambda \mid 27(m^2 + 3m + 9)$  has only trivial solutions, i.e.  $xy(x+y)(x-y)(x+2y)(2x+y) = 0$ .

- ▶ (Compare)  $F_m^{(6)}(x, y) = \pm 1, \pm 27$  is solved by **Lettl-Pethö-Voutier (1998)**.  $|F_m^{(6)}(x, y)| \leq 120m + 323$  is solved by **Lettl-Pethö-Voutier (1999)**.

## Degree 4 case: **unsolved**

$$F_m^{(4)}(x, y) = x^4 - mx^3y - 6x^2y^2 + mxy^3 + y^4 = \lambda$$

- ▶  $f_m^{(4)}(X) := F_m^{(4)}(X, 1)$ .
- ▶  $f_m^{(4)}(X)$  is irreducible/ $\mathbb{Q}$  for  $m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 3\}$ .
- ▶  $L_m^{(4)} := \text{Spl}_{\mathbb{Q}} f_m^{(4)}(X)$ , then  $L_m^{(4)} = L_{-m}^{(4)}$   
; the **simplest quartic fields**.

### Theorem (Theorem C)

For a given  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{m, -m\}$  s.t.  $L_m^{(4)} = L_n^{(4)}$

$\iff \exists (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  with  $xy(x+y)(x-y) \neq 0$  s.t.

$F_m^{(4)}(x, y) = \lambda$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\lambda \mid 4(m^2 + 16)$ .

Moreover integers  $n, m$  and  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  satisfy

$$N = m + \frac{(m^2 + 16)xy(x+y)(x-y)}{F_m^{(4)}(x, y)}$$

where  $N$  is either  $n$  or  $-n$ .

BUT we **do not know**

- ▶ For  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $L_m^{(4)} = L_n^{(4)} \iff ??$  (analog of **Thm O<sub>2</sub>**)
- ▶  $L_1^{(4)} = L_{103}^{(4)}$ ,  $L_2^{(4)} = L_{22}^{(4)}$ ,  $L_4^{(4)} = L_{956}^{(4)}$ .
- ▶ For  $0 \leq m < n \leq 100000$ ,  
 $L_m^{(4)} = L_n^{(4)} \iff (m, n) \in \{(1, 103), (2, 22), (4, 956)\}$ .

By using PARI/GP or Magma, we may check:

## Theorem

For  $0 \leq m \leq 1000$ , all solutions with  $xy(x+y)(x-y) \neq 0$  and  $\gcd(x, y) = 1$  to  $F_m^{(4)}(x, y) = \lambda$  where  $\lambda \mid 4(m^2 + 16)$  are given as in Table 2.

In particular, for  $0 \leq m \leq 1000$ ,  $m \notin \{1, 2, 4, 22, 103, 956\}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $L_m^{(4)} = L_n^{(4)} \Rightarrow m = \pm n$ .

- ▶ (Compare)  $F_m^{(4)}(x, y) = \pm 1, \pm 4$  is solved by **Lettl-Pethö** (1995) and **Chen-Voutier** (1997).  $|F_m^{(4)}(x, y)| \leq 6m + 7$  is solved by **Lettl-Pethö-Voutier** (1999).

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Table 2

$m$	$n$	$6m + 7$	$F_m^{(4)}(x, y) = \lambda$	$m^2 + 16$	$(x, y)$
1	103	13	-1	17	$(\pm 1, \pm 2), (\pm 2, \mp 1)$
1	103	13	4	17	$(\mp 1, \pm 3), (\pm 3, \pm 1)$
2	-22	19	5	20	$(\pm 1, \pm 2), (\pm 2, \mp 1)$
2	-22	19	-20	20	$(\mp 1, \pm 3), (\pm 3, \pm 1)$
4	-956	31	1	32	$(\pm 2, \pm 3), (\pm 3, \mp 2)$
4	-956	31	-4	32	$(\mp 1, \pm 5), (\pm 5, \pm 1)$
22	-2	139	125	500	$(\pm 1, \pm 2), (\pm 2, \mp 1)$
22	-2	139	-500	500	$(\mp 1, \pm 3), (\pm 3, \pm 1)$
103	1	$5^4$	$-5^4$	$5^4 \cdot 17$	$(\mp 1, \pm 2), (\pm 2, \pm 1)$
103	1	$5^4$	$2^2 \cdot 5^4$	$5^4 \cdot 17$	$(\pm 1, \pm 3), (\pm 3, \mp 1)$
956	-4	5743	$13^4$	$2^5 \cdot 13^4$	$(\pm 2, \pm 3), (\pm 3, \mp 2)$
956	-4	5743	$-2^2 \cdot 13^4$	$2^5 \cdot 13^4$	$(\mp 1, \pm 5), (\pm 5, \pm 1)$