

Effective Sato-Tate conjecture for abelian varieties with applications

Alina Bucur (UCSD), Francesc Fité¹ (MIT), Kiran S. Kedlaya (UCSD)

Joint Mathematics Meetings 2020 (Denver)

01/15/2020

¹Funded by the National Science Foundation grant DMS-1638352 and the Simons Foundation grant 550033.

Notations

Throughout the talk:

- k is a number field.
- A/k is an abelian variety of dimension $g \geq 1$.
- N denotes the absolute conductor of A .
- For a prime ℓ ,

$$\rho_{A,\ell}: G_k \rightarrow \text{Aut}(V_\ell(A))$$

the ℓ -adic representation attached to A , where

$$T_\ell(A) := \varprojlim A[\ell^n](\overline{\mathbb{Q}}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_\ell^{2g}, \quad V_\ell(A) := T_\ell(A) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_\ell} \mathbb{Q}_\ell.$$

- For a prime \mathfrak{p} of k not dividing $N\ell$, let
 - ▶ $a_{\mathfrak{p}} := a_{\mathfrak{p}}(A) := \text{Tr}(\rho_{A,\ell}(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}))$ denote the Frobenius trace at \mathfrak{p} .
 - ▶ $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} := \frac{a_{\mathfrak{p}}}{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p})^{1/2}} \in [-2g, 2g]$ be the normalized Frobenius trace at \mathfrak{p} .

Sato-Tate group and Sato-Tate measure

- From now on, we will assume the following conjecture.

Conjecture (Banaszak-Kedlaya)

Denote by G_ℓ the Zariski closure of the image of $\varrho_{A,\ell}$ in $\mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}_\ell$. Then there exists an algebraic subgroup G of $\mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$G_\ell = G \times_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_\ell.$$

- Known in many cases: it is implied by the Mumford–Tate conjecture.
- The *Sato–Tate group* of A , denoted $\mathrm{ST}(A)$, is a maximal compact subgroup of $(G \cap \mathrm{Sp}_{2g})(\mathbb{C})$. It is thus a subgroup of $\mathrm{USp}(2g)$.
- Let μ denote the push forward of the Haar measure of $\mathrm{ST}(A)$ via

$$\mathrm{Tr}: \mathrm{ST}(A) \rightarrow [-2g, 2g].$$

We call μ the *Sato–Tate measure* of A .

Sato-Tate group and Sato-Tate measure

- From now on, we will assume the following conjecture.

Conjecture (Banaszak-Kedlaya)

Denote by G_ℓ the Zariski closure of the image of $\varrho_{A,\ell}$ in $\mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}_\ell$. Then there exists an algebraic subgroup G of $\mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$G_\ell = G \times_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_\ell.$$

- Known in many cases: it is implied by the Mumford–Tate conjecture.
- The *Sato–Tate group* of A , denoted $\mathrm{ST}(A)$, is a maximal compact subgroup of $(G \cap \mathrm{Sp}_{2g})(\mathbb{C})$. It is thus a subgroup of $\mathrm{USp}(2g)$.
- Let μ denote the push forward of the Haar measure of $\mathrm{ST}(A)$ via

$$\mathrm{Tr}: \mathrm{ST}(A) \rightarrow [-2g, 2g].$$

We call μ the *Sato–Tate measure* of A .

Sato-Tate group and Sato-Tate measure

- From now on, we will assume the following conjecture.

Conjecture (Banaszak-Kedlaya)

Denote by G_ℓ the Zariski closure of the image of $\varrho_{A,\ell}$ in $\mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}_\ell$. Then there exists an algebraic subgroup G of $\mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$G_\ell = G \times_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_\ell.$$

- Known in many cases: it is implied by the Mumford–Tate conjecture.
- The *Sato–Tate group* of A , denoted $\mathrm{ST}(A)$, is a maximal compact subgroup of $(G \cap \mathrm{Sp}_{2g})(\mathbb{C})$. It is thus a subgroup of $\mathrm{USp}(2g)$.
- Let μ denote the push forward of the Haar measure of $\mathrm{ST}(A)$ via

$$\mathrm{Tr}: \mathrm{ST}(A) \rightarrow [-2g, 2g].$$

We call μ the *Sato–Tate measure* of A .

Sato-Tate group and Sato-Tate measure

- From now on, we will assume the following conjecture.

Conjecture (Banaszak-Kedlaya)

Denote by G_ℓ the Zariski closure of the image of $\varrho_{A,\ell}$ in $\mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}_\ell$. Then there exists an algebraic subgroup G of $\mathrm{GSp}_{2g}/\mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$G_\ell = G \times_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}_\ell.$$

- Known in many cases: it is implied by the Mumford–Tate conjecture.
- The *Sato–Tate group* of A , denoted $\mathrm{ST}(A)$, is a maximal compact subgroup of $(G \cap \mathrm{Sp}_{2g})(\mathbb{C})$. It is thus a subgroup of $\mathrm{USp}(2g)$.
- Let μ denote the push forward of the Haar measure of $\mathrm{ST}(A)$ via

$$\mathrm{Tr}: \mathrm{ST}(A) \rightarrow [-2g, 2g].$$

We call μ the *Sato–Tate measure* of A .

The Sato-Tate conjecture

Sato-Tate conjecture for abelian varieties

For any subinterval I of $[-2g, 2g]$, we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\#\{\mathfrak{p} \mid \text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x \text{ and } \bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I\}}{\#\{\mathfrak{p} \mid \text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x\}} = \mu(I).$$

Equivalently,

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + o\left(\frac{x}{\log(x)}\right),$$

where

$$\text{Li}(x) = \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log(t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_I \text{ is the characteristic function of } I.$$

The Sato-Tate conjecture

Sato-Tate conjecture for abelian varieties

For any subinterval I of $[-2g, 2g]$, we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\#\{\mathfrak{p} \mid \text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x \text{ and } \bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I\}}{\#\{\mathfrak{p} \mid \text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x\}} = \mu(I).$$

Equivalently,

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + o\left(\frac{x}{\log(x)}\right),$$

where

$$\text{Li}(x) = \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log(t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_I \text{ is the characteristic function of } I.$$

The effective Sato–Tate conjecture

Effective Sato–Tate conjecture for abelian varieties

There exists $\varepsilon > 0$ depending exclusively on $ST(A)$ (and therefore, in fact, only on g) such that, for every subinterval I of $[-2g, 2g]$, we have

$$\sum_{Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I) \operatorname{Li}(x) + O(x^{1-\varepsilon}) \quad \text{for } x \gg_I 0,$$

where the implicit constant in the O -notation depends exclusively on the field k , the dimension g , and the absolute conductor N .

The Sato–Tate conjecture and L -functions

- To every irreducible representation Γ of $ST(A)$, one attaches à la Artin an Euler product:

$$L(\Gamma(A), s) := \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} L_{\mathfrak{p}}(\Gamma(A), \text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p})^{-s})^{-1},$$

which is absolutely convergent for $\Re(s) > 1$.

Theorem (Serre '68)

Suppose that $L(\Gamma(A), s)$ extends to a holomorphic function on an open neighborhood of $\Re(s) \geq 1$ and that does not vanish at $\Re(s) = 1$ for every irreducible nontrivial representation Γ of $ST(A)$.

Then the Sato–Tate conjecture holds for A .

The Sato–Tate conjecture and L -functions

- To every irreducible representation Γ of $ST(A)$, one attaches à la Artin an Euler product:

$$L(\Gamma(A), s) := \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} L_{\mathfrak{p}}(\Gamma(A), \text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p})^{-s})^{-1},$$

which is absolutely convergent for $\Re(s) > 1$.

Theorem (Serre '68)

Suppose that $L(\Gamma(A), s)$ extends to a holomorphic function on an open neighborhood of $\Re(s) \geq 1$ and that does not vanish at $\Re(s) = 1$ for every irreducible nontrivial representation Γ of $ST(A)$.

Then the Sato–Tate conjecture holds for A .

The effective Sato–Tate conjecture and L -functions

- $L(\Gamma(A), s)$ gives rise to a completed L -function

$$\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s) := B^{s/2} \cdot L(\Gamma(A), s) \cdot L_\infty(\Gamma(A), s).$$

Conjecture (Generalized Riemann hypothesis (GRH) for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$)

- $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ extends to a meromorphic function over \mathbb{C} . It has simple poles at $s = 0, 1$ if Γ is trivial and it is analytic otherwise.
- $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s) = \varepsilon \cdot \Lambda(\Gamma^\vee(A), 1 - s)$ for some $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|\varepsilon| = 1$.
- All zeroes of $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ lie on the line $\Re(s) = 1/2$.

Theorem (Murty '83)

Suppose that A/\mathbb{Q} is an elliptic curve without CM and that GRH holds for $\Lambda(\text{Sym}^l(A), s)$ for every $l \geq 0$. For every subinterval $I \subseteq [-2, 2]$, we have

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_\mathfrak{p}) = \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + O(x^{3/4} (\log(Nx))^{1/2}) \quad \text{for } x \gg_I 0.$$

The effective Sato–Tate conjecture and L -functions

- $L(\Gamma(A), s)$ gives rise to a completed L -function

$$\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s) := B^{s/2} \cdot L(\Gamma(A), s) \cdot L_\infty(\Gamma(A), s).$$

Conjecture (Generalized Riemann hypothesis (GRH) for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$)

- $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ extends to a meromorphic function over \mathbb{C} . It has simple poles at $s = 0, 1$ if Γ is trivial and it is analytic otherwise.
- $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s) = \varepsilon \cdot \Lambda(\Gamma^\vee(A), 1 - s)$ for some $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|\varepsilon| = 1$.
- All zeroes of $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ lie on the line $\Re(s) = 1/2$.

Theorem (Murty '83)

Suppose that A/\mathbb{Q} is an elliptic curve without CM and that GRH holds for $\Lambda(\text{Sym}^l(A), s)$ for every $l \geq 0$. For every subinterval $I \subseteq [-2, 2]$, we have

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_\rho) = \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + O(x^{3/4} (\log(Nx))^{1/2}) \quad \text{for } x \gg_I 0.$$

The effective Sato–Tate conjecture and L -functions

- $L(\Gamma(A), s)$ gives rise to a completed L -function

$$\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s) := B^{s/2} \cdot L(\Gamma(A), s) \cdot L_\infty(\Gamma(A), s).$$

Conjecture (Generalized Riemann hypothesis (GRH) for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$)

- $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ extends to a meromorphic function over \mathbb{C} . It has simple poles at $s = 0, 1$ if Γ is trivial and it is analytic otherwise.
- $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s) = \varepsilon \cdot \Lambda(\Gamma^\vee(A), 1 - s)$ for some $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|\varepsilon| = 1$.
- All zeroes of $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ lie on the line $\Re(s) = 1/2$.

Theorem (Murty '83)

Suppose that A/\mathbb{Q} is an elliptic curve without CM and that GRH holds for $\Lambda(\text{Sym}^l(A), s)$ for every $l \geq 0$. For every subinterval $I \subseteq [-2, 2]$, we have

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_\mathfrak{p}) = \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + O(x^{3/4} (\log(Nx))^{1/2}) \quad \text{for } x \gg_I 0.$$

Main result

Theorem (Bucur-F.-Kedlaya)

Suppose that $ST(A)$ is connected and that GRH for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ holds for every irreducible representation Γ of $ST(A)$. Set

$$\varepsilon := \frac{1}{2(q + \varphi)},$$

where q denotes the rank of the Lie algebra of $ST(A)$ and φ denotes the number of positive roots of its semisimple part. Then, for every subinterval I of $[-2g, 2g]$, we have

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + O\left(\frac{x^{1-\varepsilon} (\log(Nx))^{2\varepsilon}}{\log(x)^{1-4\varepsilon}}\right) \quad \text{for } x \gg_I 0,$$

where the implicit constant in the O -notation depends exclusively on k and g .

Main result

Theorem (Bucur-F.-Kedlaya)

Suppose that $ST(A)$ is connected and that GRH for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ holds for every irreducible representation Γ of $ST(A)$. Set

$$\varepsilon := \frac{1}{2(q + \varphi)},$$

where q denotes the rank of the Lie algebra of $ST(A)$ and φ denotes the number of positive roots of its semisimple part. Then, for every subinterval I of $[-2g, 2g]$, we have

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + O\left(\frac{x^{1-\varepsilon} (\log(Nx))^{2\varepsilon}}{\log(x)^{1-4\varepsilon}}\right) \quad \text{for } x \gg_I 0,$$

where the implicit constant in the O -notation depends exclusively on k and g .

Main result

Theorem (Bucur-F.-Kedlaya)

Suppose that $ST(A)$ is connected and that GRH for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A), s)$ holds for every irreducible representation Γ of $ST(A)$. Set

$$\varepsilon := \frac{1}{2(q + \varphi)},$$

where q denotes the rank of the Lie algebra of $ST(A)$ and φ denotes the number of positive roots of its semisimple part. Then, for every subinterval I of $[-2g, 2g]$, we have

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + O\left(\frac{x^{1-\varepsilon} (\log(Nx))^{2\varepsilon}}{\log(x)^{1-4\varepsilon}}\right) \quad \text{for } x \gg_I 0,$$

where the implicit constant in the O -notation depends exclusively on k and g .

Predictions for dimensions $g = 1$ and $g = 2$

- This extends Murty's result and previous work by Bucur and Kedlaya, who considered the case $A = E \times E'$, where E and E' are nonisogenous elliptic curves without CM.

g	Splitting of A	$ST(A)$	ε	Error term
1	E	$SU(2)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
1	E_{CM}	$U(1)$	$1/2$	$O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x))$
2	S	$USp(4)$	$1/12$	$O(x^{11/12} \log(Nx)^{1/6} \log(x)^{-2/3})$
2	S_{RM} $E \times E'$	$SU(2) \times SU(2)$	$1/8$	$O(x^{7/8} \log(Nx)^{1/4} \log(x)^{-1/2})$
2	$E \times E'_{CM}$	$SU(2) \times U(1)$	$1/6$	$O(x^{5/6} \log(Nx)^{1/3} \log(x)^{-1/3})$
2	$E_{CM} \times E'_{CM}$ S_{CM}	$U(1) \times U(1)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
2	E^2 S_{QM}	$SU(2)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
2	E^2_{CM}	$U(1)$	$1/2$	$O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x))$

- Numerical data suggests that $\varepsilon = 1/2$ in all cases.

Predictions for dimensions $g = 1$ and $g = 2$

- This extends Murty's result and previous work by Bucur and Kedlaya, who considered the case $A = E \times E'$, where E and E' are nonisogenous elliptic curves without CM.

g	Splitting of A	$ST(A)$	ε	Error term
1	E	$SU(2)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
1	E_{CM}	$U(1)$	$1/2$	$O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x))$
2	S	$USp(4)$	$1/12$	$O(x^{11/12} \log(Nx)^{1/6} \log(x)^{-2/3})$
2	S_{RM} $E \times E'$	$SU(2) \times SU(2)$	$1/8$	$O(x^{7/8} \log(Nx)^{1/4} \log(x)^{-1/2})$
2	$E \times E'_{CM}$	$SU(2) \times U(1)$	$1/6$	$O(x^{5/6} \log(Nx)^{1/3} \log(x)^{-1/3})$
2	$E_{CM} \times E'_{CM}$ S_{CM}	$U(1) \times U(1)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
2	E^2 S_{QM}	$SU(2)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
2	E^2_{CM}	$U(1)$	$1/2$	$O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x))$

- Numerical data suggests that $\varepsilon = 1/2$ in all cases.

Predictions for dimensions $g = 1$ and $g = 2$

- This extends Murty's result and previous work by Bucur and Kedlaya, who considered the case $A = E \times E'$, where E and E' are nonisogenous elliptic curves without CM.

g	Splitting of A	$ST(A)$	ε	Error term
1	E	$SU(2)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
1	E_{CM}	$U(1)$	$1/2$	$O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x))$
2	S	$USp(4)$	$1/12$	$O(x^{11/12} \log(Nx)^{1/6} \log(x)^{-2/3})$
2	S_{RM} $E \times E'$	$SU(2) \times SU(2)$	$1/8$	$O(x^{7/8} \log(Nx)^{1/4} \log(x)^{-1/2})$
2	$E \times E'_{CM}$	$SU(2) \times U(1)$	$1/6$	$O(x^{5/6} \log(Nx)^{1/3} \log(x)^{-1/3})$
2	$E_{CM} \times E'_{CM}$ S_{CM}	$U(1) \times U(1)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
2	E^2 S_{QM}	$SU(2)$	$1/4$	$O(x^{3/4} \log(Nx)^{1/2})$
2	E^2_{CM}	$U(1)$	$1/2$	$O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x))$

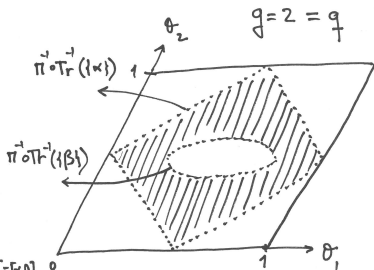
- Numerical data suggests that $\varepsilon = 1/2$ in all cases.

Ingredients in the proof (I): the Vinogradov function

We construct a function :

$$F_I : \mathbb{R}^g \longrightarrow [0, 1]$$

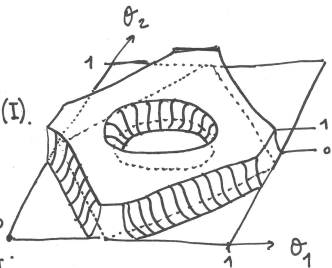
$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi \searrow & & \nearrow \\ [0, 1]^g & \simeq & \text{Conj}(ST(A)) \\ \Downarrow & & \downarrow \text{Tr} \\ & & [-2g, 2g] \supseteq I = [5, 9] \end{array}$$



with the properties:

- F_I is a continuous approximation of the characteristic function of $\pi^{-1} \circ \text{Tr}^{-1}(I)$.

- $F_I(\underline{\theta}) = \sum_{\underline{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^g} \underline{c}_m e^{2\pi i \underline{\theta} \cdot \underline{m}}$ has Fourier coefficients of rapid decay.



Ingredients of the proof (II): Murty's estimate

- By construction

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} F_I(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- Write $F_I = \sum_{\chi} c_{\chi} \chi$. The c_{χ} are still of rapid decay and $c_1 \approx \mu(I)$.
- Then

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + \sum_{\chi \neq 1} c_{\chi} \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- For $\chi \neq 1$ Murty's estimate gives

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = O(d_{\chi} x^{1/2} \log(N(x + w_{\chi}))).$$

- The *rapid decay* of the coefficients c_{χ} compensates the *rapid growth* of the dimensions d_{χ} , which is exponential in φ .

Ingredients of the proof (II): Murty's estimate

- By construction

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_l(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} F_l(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- Write $F_l = \sum_{\chi} c_{\chi} \chi$. The c_{χ} are still of rapid decay and $c_1 \approx \mu(l)$.
- Then

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_l(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \mu(l) \text{Li}(x) + \sum_{\chi \neq 1} c_{\chi} \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- For $\chi \neq 1$ Murty's estimate gives

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = O(d_{\chi} x^{1/2} \log(N(x + w_{\chi}))).$$

- The *rapid decay* of the coefficients c_{χ} compensates the *rapid growth* of the dimensions d_{χ} , which is exponential in φ .

Ingredients of the proof (II): Murty's estimate

- By construction

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_l(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} F_l(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- Write $F_l = \sum_{\chi} c_{\chi} \chi$. The c_{χ} are still of rapid decay and $c_1 \approx \mu(l)$.
- Then

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_l(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \mu(l) \text{Li}(x) + \sum_{\chi \neq 1} c_{\chi} \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- For $\chi \neq 1$ Murty's estimate gives

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = O(d_{\chi} x^{1/2} \log(N(x + w_{\chi}))).$$

- The *rapid decay* of the coefficients c_{χ} compensates the *rapid growth* of the dimensions d_{χ} , which is exponential in φ .

Ingredients of the proof (II): Murty's estimate

- By construction

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_l(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} F_l(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- Write $F_l = \sum_{\chi} c_{\chi} \chi$. The c_{χ} are still of rapid decay and $c_1 \approx \mu(l)$.
- Then

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_l(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \mu(l) \text{Li}(x) + \sum_{\chi \neq 1} c_{\chi} \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- For $\chi \neq 1$ Murty's estimate gives

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = O(d_{\chi} x^{1/2} \log(N(x + w_{\chi}))).$$

- The *rapid decay* of the coefficients c_{χ} compensates the *rapid growth* of the dimensions d_{χ} , which is exponential in φ .

Ingredients of the proof (II): Murty's estimate

- By construction

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} F_I(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- Write $F_I = \sum_{\chi} c_{\chi} \chi$. The c_{χ} are still of rapid decay and $c_1 \approx \mu(I)$.
- Then

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_I(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \mu(I) \text{Li}(x) + \sum_{\chi \neq 1} c_{\chi} \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- For $\chi \neq 1$ Murty's estimate gives

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = O(d_{\chi} x^{1/2} \log(N(x + w_{\chi}))).$$

- The *rapid decay* of the coefficients c_{χ} compensates the *rapid growth* of the dimensions d_{χ} , which is exponential in φ .

Ingredients of the proof (II): Murty's estimate

- By construction

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_l(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} F_l(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- Write $F_l = \sum_{\chi} c_{\chi} \chi$. The c_{χ} are still of rapid decay and $c_1 \approx \mu(l)$.
- Then

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_l(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \approx \mu(l) \text{Li}(x) + \sum_{\chi \neq 1} c_{\chi} \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}).$$

- For $\chi \neq 1$ Murty's estimate gives

$$\sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \chi(\text{Frob}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = O(d_{\chi} x^{1/2} \log(N(x + w_{\chi}))).$$

- The *rapid decay* of the coefficients c_{χ} compensates the *rapid growth* of the dimensions d_{χ} , which is exponential in φ .

Interval variant of Linnik's problem for abelian varieties

Corollary 1

Assume the hypotheses of the main result. For every subinterval I of $[-2g, 2g]$, there exists a prime \mathfrak{p} not dividing N such that $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I$ and

$$Nm(\mathfrak{p}) = O(\nu(\min\{|I|, \mu(I)\}) \cdot \log(2N)^2 \cdot \log(\log(4N))^4).$$

The implicit constant in the O -notation depends exclusively on k and g , and $\nu : \mathbb{R}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ is defined by

$$\nu(z) := \max \left\{ 1, \frac{\log(z)^6}{z^{1/\varepsilon}} \right\}.$$

- This generalizes work of Chen–Park–Swaminathan, who considered the case in which A is an elliptic curve.

Interval variant of Linnik's problem for abelian varieties

Corollary 1

Assume the hypotheses of the main result. For every subinterval I of $[-2g, 2g]$, there exists a prime \mathfrak{p} not dividing N such that $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I$ and

$$Nm(\mathfrak{p}) = O(\nu(\min\{|I|, \mu(I)\}) \cdot \log(2N)^2 \cdot \log(\log(4N))^4).$$

The implicit constant in the O -notation depends exclusively on k and g , and $\nu : \mathbb{R}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ is defined by

$$\nu(z) := \max \left\{ 1, \frac{\log(z)^6}{z^{1/\varepsilon}} \right\}.$$

- This generalizes work of Chen–Park–Swaminathan, who considered the case in which A is an elliptic curve.

Sign variant of Linnik's problem for two elliptic curves

- On this slide, let $A, A'/\mathbb{Q}$ be elliptic curves of conductors N, N' .

Theorem (Faltings '83; corollary of the Isogeny theorem)

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \neq a_p(A')$.

- Under GRH for Artin L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^{12})$$

(Serre '86; using "Effective Chebotarev").

Theorem (Harris '09; corollary of Sato-Tate for $A \times A'$ over \mathbb{Q})

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$.

- Under GRH for Symmetric power L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^6)$$

(Bucur and Kedlaya '12; using "Effective Sato-Tate").

Sign variant of Linnik's problem for two elliptic curves

- On this slide, let $A, A'/\mathbb{Q}$ be elliptic curves of conductors N, N' .

Theorem (Faltings '83; corollary of the Isogeny theorem)

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \neq a_p(A')$.

- Under GRH for Artin L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^{12})$$

(Serre '86; using "Effective Chebotarev").

Theorem (Harris '09; corollary of Sato-Tate for $A \times A'$ over \mathbb{Q})

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$.

- Under GRH for Symmetric power L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^6)$$

(Bucur and Kedlaya '12; using "Effective Sato-Tate").

Sign variant of Linnik's problem for two elliptic curves

- On this slide, let $A, A'/\mathbb{Q}$ be elliptic curves of conductors N, N' .

Theorem (Faltings '83; corollary of the Isogeny theorem)

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \neq a_p(A')$.

- Under GRH for Artin L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^{12})$$

(Serre '86; using "Effective Chebotarev").

Theorem (Harris '09; corollary of Sato-Tate for $A \times A'$ over \mathbb{Q})

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$.

- Under GRH for Symmetric power L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^6)$$

(Bucur and Kedlaya '12; using "Effective Sato-Tate").

Sign variant of Linnik's problem for two elliptic curves

- On this slide, let $A, A'/\mathbb{Q}$ be elliptic curves of conductors N, N' .

Theorem (Faltings '83; corollary of the Isogeny theorem)

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \neq a_p(A')$.

- Under GRH for Artin L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^{12})$$

(Serre '86; using "Effective Chebotarev").

Theorem (Harris '09; corollary of Sato-Tate for $A \times A'$ over \mathbb{Q})

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$.

- Under GRH for Symmetric power L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^6)$$

(Bucur and Kedlaya '12; using "Effective Sato-Tate").

Sign variant of Linnik's problem for two elliptic curves

- On this slide, let $A, A'/\mathbb{Q}$ be elliptic curves of conductors N, N' .

Theorem (Faltings '83; corollary of the Isogeny theorem)

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \neq a_p(A')$.

- Under GRH for Artin L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^{12})$$

(Serre '86; using "Effective Chebotarev").

Theorem (Harris '09; corollary of Sato-Tate for $A \times A'$ over \mathbb{Q})

If A, A' are not isogenous, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$.

- Under GRH for Symmetric power L -functions, such a p can be taken with

$$p = O(\log(NN')^2 \log(\log(2NN'))^6)$$

(Bucur and Kedlaya '12; using "Effective Sato-Tate").

Sign variant of Linnik's problem for two abelian varieties

Conjecture

If $\text{Hom}(A, A') = 0$, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$.

Corollary 2

Let A, A' be abelian varieties such that $ST(A), ST(A')$ are connected, and

$$ST(A \times A') \simeq ST(A) \times ST(A'). \quad (1)$$

Assume that GRH for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A) \otimes \Gamma'(A'), s)$ holds for all irreducible rep. Γ, Γ' . Then, there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$ and

$$\text{Nm}(p) = O(\log(2NN')^2 \log(\log(4NN'))^6). \quad (2)$$

- Using Bach kernel integration, we can
 - ▶ replace (1) with the weaker condition $\text{Hom}(A, A') = 0$.
 - ▶ improve (2) to $O(\log(2NN')^2)$.

Sign variant of Linnik's problem for two abelian varieties

Conjecture

If $\text{Hom}(A, A') = 0$, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$.

Corollary 2

Let A, A' be abelian varieties such that $ST(A), ST(A')$ are connected, and

$$ST(A \times A') \simeq ST(A) \times ST(A'). \quad (1)$$

Assume that GRH for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A) \otimes \Gamma'(A'), s)$ holds for all irreducible rep. Γ, Γ' . Then, there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$ and

$$\text{Nm}(p) = O(\log(2NN')^2 \log(\log(4NN'))^6). \quad (2)$$

- Using Bach kernel integration, we can
 - ▶ replace (1) with the weaker condition $\text{Hom}(A, A') = 0$.
 - ▶ improve (2) to $O(\log(2NN')^2)$.

Sign variant of Linnik's problem for two abelian varieties

Conjecture

If $\text{Hom}(A, A') = 0$, then there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$.

Corollary 2

Let A, A' be abelian varieties such that $ST(A), ST(A')$ are connected, and

$$ST(A \times A') \simeq ST(A) \times ST(A'). \quad (1)$$

Assume that GRH for $\Lambda(\Gamma(A) \otimes \Gamma'(A'), s)$ holds for all irreducible rep. Γ, Γ' . Then, there exists $p \nmid NN'$ such that $a_p(A) \cdot a_p(A') < 0$ and

$$\text{Nm}(p) = O(\log(2NN')^2 \log(\log(4NN'))^6). \quad (2)$$

- Using Bach kernel integration, we can
 - ▶ replace (1) with the weaker condition $\text{Hom}(A, A') = 0$.
 - ▶ improve (2) to $O(\log(2NN')^2)$.

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- On this slide, let A be an elliptic curve with CM (defined over k).
- Consider the set of “record primes”

$$R(x) = \{p \mid \text{Nm}(p) \leq x \text{ and } a_p = \lfloor 2\sqrt{\text{Nm}(p)} \rfloor\}.$$

- Serre has conjectured²

$$\#R(x) \sim \frac{4}{3\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Corollary 3

Suppose that GRH holds for the Hecke L -function attached to any integral power of the Hecke character of A . Then

$$\#R(x) \asymp \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{for } x \gg 0.$$

²Added after the talk: As J. Achter pointed out to me during the JMM2020, this has been proven by K. James and P. Pollack. Thus Corollary 3 only recovers a weaker and conditional form of James' and Pollack's result!

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- On this slide, let A be an elliptic curve with CM (defined over k).
- Consider the set of “record primes”

$$R(x) = \{p \mid \text{Nm}(p) \leq x \text{ and } a_p = \lfloor 2\sqrt{\text{Nm}(p)} \rfloor\}.$$

- Serre has conjectured²

$$\#R(x) \sim \frac{4}{3\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Corollary 3

Suppose that GRH holds for the Hecke L -function attached to any integral power of the Hecke character of A . Then

$$\#R(x) \asymp \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{for } x \gg 0.$$

²Added after the talk: As J. Achter pointed out to me during the JMM2020, this has been proven by K. James and P. Pollack. Thus Corollary 3 only recovers a weaker and conditional form of James' and Pollack's result!

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- On this slide, let A be an elliptic curve with CM (defined over k).
- Consider the set of “record primes”

$$R(x) = \{p \mid \text{Nm}(p) \leq x \text{ and } a_p = \lfloor 2\sqrt{\text{Nm}(p)} \rfloor\}.$$

- Serre has conjectured²

$$\#R(x) \sim \frac{4}{3\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Corollary 3

Suppose that GRH holds for the Hecke L -function attached to any integral power of the Hecke character of A . Then

$$\#R(x) \asymp \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{for } x \gg 0.$$

²Added after the talk: As J. Achter pointed out to me during the JMM2020, this has been proven by K. James and P. Pollack. Thus Corollary 3 only recovers a weaker and conditional form of James' and Pollack's result!

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- On this slide, let A be an elliptic curve with CM (defined over k).
- Consider the set of “record primes”

$$R(x) = \{p \mid \text{Nm}(p) \leq x \text{ and } a_p = \lfloor 2\sqrt{\text{Nm}(p)} \rfloor\}.$$

- Serre has conjectured²

$$\#R(x) \sim \frac{4}{3\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Corollary 3

Suppose that GRH holds for the Hecke L -function attached to any integral power of the Hecke character of A . Then

$$\#R(x) \asymp \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{for } x \gg 0.$$

²Added after the talk: As J. Achter pointed out to me during the JMM2020, this has been proven by K. James and P. Pollack. Thus Corollary 3 only recovers a weaker and conditional form of James' and Pollack's result!

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- A simple idea:

If $Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x$ and $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I_x := (2 - x^{-1/2}, 2)$, then $a_{\mathfrak{p}} = \lfloor 2\sqrt{Nm(\mathfrak{p})} \rfloor$.

- Therefore

$$\#R(x) \geq \sum_{Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_{I_x}(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I_x) \text{Li}(x) + O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x)).$$

- Using that $\mu(I_x) = \frac{1}{\pi} x^{-1/4} + O(x^{-3/4})$, we find that

$$\#R(x) \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

- If A is a non CM elliptic curve, then $\mu(I_x)$ is tiny and the error term bigger. No hope for such an approach to count record primes!

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- A simple idea:

If $Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x$ and $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I_x := (2 - x^{-1/2}, 2)$, then $a_{\mathfrak{p}} = \lfloor 2\sqrt{Nm(\mathfrak{p})} \rfloor$.

- Therefore

$$\#R(x) \geq \sum_{Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_{I_x}(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I_x) \text{Li}(x) + O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x)).$$

- Using that $\mu(I_x) = \frac{1}{\pi} x^{-1/4} + O(x^{-3/4})$, we find that

$$\#R(x) \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

- If A is a non CM elliptic curve, then $\mu(I_x)$ is tiny and the error term bigger. No hope for such an approach to count record primes!

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- A simple idea:

If $Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x$ and $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I_x := (2 - x^{-1/2}, 2)$, then $a_{\mathfrak{p}} = \lfloor 2\sqrt{Nm(\mathfrak{p})} \rfloor$.

- Therefore

$$\#R(x) \geq \sum_{Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_{I_x}(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I_x) \text{Li}(x) + O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x)).$$

- Using that $\mu(I_x) = \frac{1}{\pi} x^{-1/4} + O(x^{-3/4})$, we find that

$$\#R(x) \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

- If A is a non CM elliptic curve, then $\mu(I_x)$ is tiny and the error term bigger. No hope for such an approach to count record primes!

Nonetheless, Serre still conjectures:

$$\#R(x) \sim \frac{8}{3\pi} \frac{x^{1/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- A simple idea:

If $Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x$ and $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I_x := (2 - x^{-1/2}, 2)$, then $a_{\mathfrak{p}} = \lfloor 2\sqrt{Nm(\mathfrak{p})} \rfloor$.

- Therefore

$$\#R(x) \geq \sum_{Nm(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_{I_x}(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I_x) \text{Li}(x) + O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x)).$$

- Using that $\mu(I_x) = \frac{1}{\pi} x^{-1/4} + O(x^{-3/4})$, we find that

$$\#R(x) \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

- If A is a non CM elliptic curve, then $\mu(I_x)$ is tiny and the error term bigger. No hope for such an approach to count record primes!

Nonetheless, Serre still conjectures:

$$\#R(x) \sim \frac{8}{3\pi} \frac{x^{1/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Frobenius traces attaining the Weil bound

- A simple idea:

If $\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x$ and $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in I_x := (2 - x^{-1/2}, 2)$, then $a_{\mathfrak{p}} = \lfloor 2\sqrt{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p})} \rfloor$.

- Therefore

$$\#R(x) \geq \sum_{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \delta_{I_x}(\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \mu(I_x) \text{Li}(x) + O(x^{1/2} \log(Nx) \log(x)).$$

- Using that $\mu(I_x) = \frac{1}{\pi} x^{-1/4} + O(x^{-3/4})$, we find that

$$\#R(x) \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{x^{3/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

- If A is a non CM elliptic curve, then $\mu(I_x)$ is tiny and the error term bigger. No hope for such an approach to count record primes!
Nonetheless, Serre still conjectures:

$$\#R(x) \sim \frac{8}{3\pi} \frac{x^{1/4}}{\log(x)} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$