Effective aspects of quadratic Chabauty

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Motivating problem (Explicit Faltings): Given a curve *X*/**Q** with $g \ge 2$, compute $X(Q)$.

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It has at least **642** rational points*, with *x*-coordinates:

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Is this list complete?

*Noam Elkies and Michael Stoll (2008)

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Question: Is this set of points above precisely *X*(**Q**)?

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Hence we have provably determined $X(Q) = \{(0, 0), (1, 0), (2, 0), (5, 0), (6, 0), (3, \pm 6), (10, \pm 120), \infty\}.$

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(A bit of luck +) satisfying an inequality between the **genus** of the curve *X* and the **rank** of the Mordell-Weil group of its Jacobian *J*(**Q**) (+ work of Chabauty and Coleman).

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$$
\int_b^P w = 0
$$

for all $P \in X(\mathbf{Q})$. Thus by studying the zeros of $\int \omega$, we can find a finite set of *p*-adic points containing the rational points of *X*.

Recap of the method (+bonus observations)

Given a curve *X*/**Q** of genus $g \ge 2$, embed it inside its *Jacobian J* and consider the rank r of $J(Q)$.

- If $r < g$, we can use the Chabauty–Coleman method to compute a regular 1-form whose *p*-adic (Coleman) integral vanishes on rational points.
- \triangleright By studying the zeros of this integral, Coleman gave the bound

 $#X(Q) \leq H(X(F_p) + 2g - 2.$

- \triangleright This bound can be sharp in practice, as in the third example ($g = 2, r = 1, p = 7$).
- \triangleright Regardless, the Coleman integral cuts out a finite set of *p*-adic points; this set contains *X*(**Q**) as a subset.
- \triangleright Even when the bound is not sharp, we can often combine Chabauty–Coleman data at multiple primes (Mordell–Weil sieve) to extract $X(\mathbf{Q})$.

Computing rational points via Chabauty–Coleman

We have

$$
X(\mathbf{Q}) \subset X(\mathbf{Q}_p)_1 := \left\{ z \in X(\mathbf{Q}_p) : \int_b^z \omega = 0, \right\}
$$

for a *p*-adic line integral $\int_b^* \omega$, with $\omega \in H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)$.

We would like to compute an annihilating differential ω and then calculate the finite set of *p*-adic points $X(Q_p)_1$.

Example: Chabauty–Coleman with $g = 2, r = 1$

Suppose we have a genus 2 curve X/Q with $rk J(Q) = 1$ and *X*(**Q**) ≠ \emptyset . Fix a basepoint $b \in X$ (**Q**).

- \blacktriangleright We know $H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1) = \langle \omega_0, \omega_1 \rangle$.
- \triangleright Since $r = 1 < 2 = g$, we can compute $X(Q_n)_1$ as the zero set of a *p*-adic integral.
- ► If we know one more point $P \in X(\mathbf{Q})$, we can compute the constants $A, B \in \mathbf{Q}_p$:

$$
\int_b^P w_0 = A, \quad \int_b^P w_1 = B,
$$

then solve the equation

$$
f(z) := \int_b^z (B\omega_0 - A\omega_1) = 0
$$

for $z \in X(\mathbf{Q}_p)$.

 \triangleright The set of such *z* is finite, and *X*(**Q**) is contained in this set.

Beyond Chabauty–Coleman

Do we have any hope of doing this when $r \geqslant g$?

- \triangleright Conjecturally, yes, via Kim's nonabelian Chabauty program.
- Instead of using the Jacobian of X and abelian integrals, use *nonabelian geometric objects* associated to *X*, which carry *iterated* Coleman integrals.
- \triangleright These iterated integrals cut out Selmer varieties, which give a sequence of sets

$$
X(\mathbf{Q}) \subset \cdots \subset X(\mathbf{Q}_p)_n \subset X(\mathbf{Q}_p)_{n-1} \subset \cdots \subset X(\mathbf{Q}_p)_2 \subset X(\mathbf{Q}_p)_1
$$

where the depth *n* set $X(Q_p)_n$ is given by equations in terms of *n*-fold Coleman integrals

$$
\int_b^P \omega_n \cdots \omega_1.
$$

 \blacktriangleright Note that $X(Q_p)_1$ is the classical Chabauty–Coleman set.

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Questions:

- \blacktriangleright When can $X(Q_p)_n$ be shown to be finite?
- \blacktriangleright For which classes of curves can nonabelian Chabauty be used to prove Faltings' theorem?
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So when can we explicitly compute $X(Q_p)_2$? We call this *quadratic Chabauty*.

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Quadratic Chabauty: **Q**-points and *p*-adic heights

Basic strategy:

- ▶ Use "quadratic Chabauty" (Kim's nonabelian Chabauty at level 2) to compute $X(Q_p)_{2}$, a finite set of *p*-adic points that contains all rational points on *X*.
- \blacktriangleright We know that $X(Q_p)_2$ is finite when $r = g$ and $rk NS(J) > 1$. The difficulty is in making this effective.
- If The functions cutting out *p*-adic points can be expressed in terms of *p*-adic heights pairings; the key is to move from linear relations (as in Chabauty–Coleman) to bilinear relations.
- ▶ These *p*-adic heights have a natural interpretation in terms of *p*-adic differential equations, with relevant constants computed in terms of known rational points.

From classical Chabauty to quadratic Chabauty

Recap: we can think of classical Chabauty as using linear relations among $\int_b^x \omega$ for $\omega \in H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)$, when $r < g$, i.e., understanding

$$
X(\mathbf{Q}) \to X(\mathbf{Q}_p) \xrightarrow{A J_b} H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)^*
$$

$$
x \mapsto (\omega \mapsto \int_b^x \omega).
$$

The simplest generalization of Chabauty–Coleman comes from considering bilinear relations on $H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)^*$ when $r = g$. This motivates the notion of a *quadratic Chabauty function*.

Quadratic Chabauty function

Definition

A quadratic Chabauty function θ is a function θ : $X(\mathbf{Q}_p) \to \mathbf{Q}_p$ such that:

- 1. On each residue disk, the map $(AJ_b, \theta): X(\mathbf{Q}_p) \to H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)^* \times \mathbf{Q}_p$ is given by a power series.
- 2. There exist
	- ► an endomorphism *E* of $H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)^*$,
	- ► a functional $c \in H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)^*$, and
	- \blacktriangleright a bilinear form

$$
B: H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)^* \otimes H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)^* \to \mathbf{Q}_p
$$

such that for all $x \in X(Q)$,

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\theta(x) - B(AJ_b(x), E(AJ_b(x)) + c) = 0.
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We find quadratic Chabauty functions using *p*-adic height functions. As a warm-up, we'll use *p*-adic heights to find integral points on affine hyperelliptic curves when $r = g$.

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p-adic heights on Jacobians of curves (Coleman-Gross)

- \triangleright Assume *X*(**Q**) \neq *Ø* and fix a basepoint *b* ∈ *X*(**Q**).
- \triangleright Let $\iota : X \hookrightarrow I$, sending $P \mapsto [P b]$.

The Coleman-Gross *p*-adic height

 $h: J(\mathbf{Q}) \to \mathbf{Q}_p$

- \triangleright is a quadratic form
- \blacktriangleright decomposes as a finite sum of local heights $h = \sum_{v} h_v$ over *finite* primes *v*
- \blacktriangleright *h_p* is computed with respect to a splitting *s* of the Hodge filtration on $H^1_{\text{dR}}(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p})$
- ▶ work of Bernardi, Néron, Perrin-Riou, Schneider, Mazur-Tate, Coleman-Gross, Nekovář, Besser

*More generally, for *X* defined over a number field *K*, also depends on a choice of idele class character

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global p-adic height as a sum of local heights

playing a role in understanding rational points:

▶ The Coleman-Gross *p*-adic height pairing is a (symmetric) bilinear pairing

$$
h: \text{Div}^0(X) \times \text{Div}^0(X) \to \mathbf{Q}_p,
$$

with $h = \sum_{v} h_v$

- ► We have $h(D, div(g)) = 0$ for $g \in \mathbf{Q}(X)^\times$, so h is well-defined on $J \times J$.
- **Construction of local height** h_v **depends on whether** $v = p$ or $v \neq p$.
	- $\rightarrow v \neq p$: intersection theory
	- $\rightarrow v = p$: normalized differentials, Coleman integration

Quadratic Chabauty (roughly)

Given a global *p*-adic height *h*, we study it on rational points:

For example, using the Coleman-Gross *p*-adic height, the statement of quadratic Chabauty for integral points has, as its main ideas, (1) *computing the local height h^p as a double Coleman integral* and (2) *controlling* the finite number of values

$$
\sum_{v\neq p} h_v(z-b,z-b)
$$

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Theorem (B.-Besser-Müller)

Let X/\mathbf{Q} *be a hyperelliptic curve. If* $r = g \geqslant 1$ *and* $f_i(x) := \int_b^x \omega_i$ *for* $\omega_i \in H^0(X_{\mathbf{Q}_p}, \Omega^1)$ are linearly independent, then there is an *explicitly computable finite set* $S \subset \mathbf{Q}_p$ *and explicitly computable constants* $\alpha_{ij} \in \mathbf{Q}_p$ *such that*

$$
\theta(P) - \sum_{0 \leq i \leq j \leq g-1} \alpha_{ij} f_i(f)
$$

takes values in S on integral points, where $\theta(P) = \sum_{i=0}^{g-1} \int_b^P \omega_i \bar{\omega}_i$ *.* This gives a quadratic Chabauty function θ and a finite set of values *S* (giving a *quadratic Chabauty pair*).

How can we use these ideas to study rational points?

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Workaround for rational points:

- \triangleright Construct a QCF by associating to points of *X* certain *p*-adic Galois representations, and then take Nekovář *p*-adic heights .
- I Idea is to construct a representation $A_z(b, x)$ for every *x* ∈ *X*(**Q**). Depends on a choice of "nice" correspondence *Z* on *X*. Such a correspondence exists when $rk NS(I) > 1$.
- \triangleright Restrict to case of *X* with everywhere potential good reduction, then for all $v \neq p$, local heights $h_v(A_z(b, x))$ are trivial.
- **Compute** *p***-adic height of** $A_Z(b, x)$ **via explicit description** of $D_{cris}(A_Z(b, x))$ as a filtered φ-module.

Quadratic Chabauty for rational points

► Using Nekovář's *p*-adic height *h*, there is a local decomposition

$$
h(A_Z(b, x)) = h_p(A_Z(b, x)) + \sum_{v \neq p} h_v(A_Z(b, x))
$$

where

- 1. $x \mapsto h_p(A_Z(b, x))$ extends to a locally analytic function θ : $X(Q_p) \rightarrow Q_p$ by Nekovář's construction and
- 2. For $v \neq p$ the local heights $h_p(A_z(b,x))$ are trivial since by assumption, all primes $v \neq p$ are of potential good reduction

This gives a QCF whose pairing is *h* and whose endomorphism is induced by *Z*.

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- 2. Evaluate $h(A_z(b, P_i))$ for the known rational points $P_i \in X(\mathbf{Q})$.

Note that since we are assuming we have everywhere potentially good reduction, we have

$$
h(A_Z(b,x)) = h_p(A_Z(b,x)),
$$

i.e., the second problem is subsumed by the first.

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If $\text{im}(\bar{\rho}_{E,v})$ is contained in the normalizer of a split (resp. non-split) Cartan subgroup of **GL**2(**F***p*), we get a point $P \in X_s(p)(\mathbf{Q})$ (resp. $P \in X_{ns}(p)(\mathbf{Q})$) which is not a cusp.

- \triangleright Bilu–Parent ('11): There exists p_0 such that $X_s(p)(\mathbf{Q}) = \{ \text{cusps}, \text{CM-points} \}$ for $p > p_0$.
- \blacktriangleright Bilu–Parent–Rebolledo ('13): $X_s(p)(\mathbf{Q}) = \{ \text{cusps}, \}$ CM-points} for $p \ge 11$, $p \ne 13$.

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- In the case of hyperelliptic curves, can do this by reworking Kedlaya's zeta function algorithm for hyperelliptic curves over finite fields (computed in terms of *p*-adic Monsky-Washnitzer cohomology).
- \triangleright Tuitman ('14,'15) gave an algorithm vastly generalizing Kedlaya's zeta function algorithm from hyperelliptic curves to smooth curves.
	- \triangleright Main ideas: pick a nice lift of Frobenius, work in rigid cohomology, do the bookkeeping in terms of a map $x: X \to \mathbf{P}^1$.

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Since $r = g = 3$ and $rk NS(J_0) = 3$, we can carry out quadratic Chabauty on this curve.

High-level strategy: our favorite curve

Practical matters:

 \triangleright Make a small change of coordinates to work with the following curve *X*:

$$
Q(x,y) = y^4 + 5x^4 - 6x^2y^2 + 6x^3z + 26x^2yz + 10xy^2z - 10y^3z - 32x^2z^2 - 40xyz^2 + 24y^2z^2 + 32xz^3 - 16yz^3 = 0
$$

so that we have enough (5 of the known) rational points in each of two affine patches (and satisfy hypotheses of Tuitman's algorithm).

- \triangleright Since rk *NS*(*J*_{**Q**}) = 3, we have two independent nontrivial nice correspondences Z_1 , Z_2 on X ; we compute equations for 17-adic heights h^{Z_1} , h^{Z_2} on X
- \triangleright Check the simultaneous solutions of the above two equations...are they precisely on the 7 known rational points?!

Recovered zeros: first affine patch

Upshot: recovered four points in $X_s(13)$, proved no other **Q**-points in the first affine patch. (A total of five **Q**-points here, as we'd hoped!) Jennifer Balakrishnan, Boston University Effective aspects of quadratic Chabauty 33
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By the work of Baran, we know $X_s(13)$ is isomorphic to $X_{ns}(13)$ over **Q**, so we also get (for free) that $|X_{ns}(13)(\mathbf{Q})| = 7$.

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Can similarly study zeros of a quadratic Chabauty function to prove

Theorem (B.–Dogra)

Suppose r = *g* and $\text{rk NS}(J_{\mathbf{Q}}) > 1$. Let $\kappa_p = 1 + \frac{p-1}{p-2}$ *p*−2 $\frac{1}{\log(p)}$ *. Then*

$$
\#X(\mathbf{Q}) < \kappa_p \left(\prod_{\text{bad } v} n_v \right) \# X(\mathbf{F}_p) (16g^3 + 15g^2 - 16g + 10).
$$