

Damiris Schindler: On integral points on degree four del Pezzo surfaces  
(Utrecht)

Thm (Hasse-Minkowski) Let  $Q(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  be a homog. quad. form. Then  $Q$  represents 0 (nontrivially in  $\mathbb{Z}$ ) iff  $Q$  represents 0 "locally":  
 $Q$  represents 0 over  $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$   
 $\forall$  prime  $p$ .

Qn: what about non-homog. forms?

Ex: (Schulze-Pillot,  $X_n$ )  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}, (n, m) = 1, k \geq 1,$   
 $n \equiv 5 \pmod{8}, 2 \parallel m.$

$$C_{n,m} := m^2 x^2 + n^{2k} y^2 - n z^2 = 1$$

Then  $C_{n,m}(\mathbb{R}) \neq \emptyset$  and  $C_{n,m}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \neq \emptyset \forall p,$   
but  $C_{n,m}(\mathbb{Z}) = \emptyset.$

• Local points:  $(\frac{1}{m}, 0, 0), (0, \frac{1}{n^k}, 0)$   
At least 1 exists mod  $p.$

• No global points: Consider Azumaya algebra gen'd by  $(1 + n^k y, n)$  (in fn. field)

If  $(x, y, z) \in C_{n,m}(\mathbb{Z}),$

$$\prod_{v \in \Omega_{\mathbb{Q}}} (1 + n^k y, n)_v = 1$$

Places in  $\mathbb{Q}$  ↑ Hilbert symbol

But w/ an integer solu., Hilbert symbol is  $\begin{cases} 1 & v \neq 2 \\ -1 & v = 2 \end{cases}$   
so no local pts. satisfy global relation.

Defn: (Integral Hasse Principle) or more properly, a scheme  $X_{\mathbb{Z}}$

let  $f_1, \dots, f_R \in \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ,  $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Z}}^n$  given by  
 $f_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq R$

The integral Hasse principle (HP) holds for  $X$   
~~iff  $X(\mathbb{Z}) \neq \emptyset$  as soon~~

iff  $X(\mathbb{R}), X(\mathbb{Z}/p) \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow X(\mathbb{Z}) \neq \emptyset$ .

Qn: When does HP hold?  
When not, what are the obstructions?

Colliot-Thélène, Xu (2009): Examples above explained

by "integral Brauer-Manin obstruction":  
 $X = X \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  (i.e. take variety  $/\mathbb{Q}$ )

Brauer group  $Br(X) = H_{\text{et}}^2(X, \mathbb{G}_m)$

There is a pairing

$$Br(X) \times X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$$

$(x_v)_{v \in \Omega_{\mathbb{Q}}}, x \in X(\mathbb{Q}) \forall v$ , and  $x_v \in X(\mathbb{Z})$  for almost all  $v$ .

$$(\alpha, (x_v)_{v \in \Omega_{\mathbb{Q}}}) \mapsto \sum_{v \in \Omega_{\mathbb{Q}}} e_{V_{\alpha, v}}(x_v)$$

↑  
evaluation map

Let  $X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}})^{\text{Br}} := \{ (x_v) \in X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}}) : \sum_{v \in \Omega} e_{v, \mathbb{Q}}(x_v) = 0 \quad \forall \alpha \in \text{Br}(X) \}$  59

Then  $X(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}})^{\text{Br}} \subseteq X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}})$

Rem: If  $X$  is projective,  $X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}}) = \prod_v X(\mathbb{Q}_v)$ ,

so local obstructions are not an issue.

### Obstructions at $\infty$

Ex  $2x^2 + 3y^2 + 4z^2 = 1$

violates HP, but not explained by Brauer-Manin obstructions. (Colliot-Thélène)

Note  $X(\mathbb{R})$  is compact.

• To have HP, should have all real components unbounded.

Ex:  $x^2 - y^2 = 3$ .

Real points satisfy  ~~$|x - y| \leq \sqrt{3}$~~   
 $|x - y|$  or  $|x + \sqrt{y}| \leq \sqrt{3}$

$C \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $F, G \in \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_n) - G(x_1, \dots, x_n) = C$$

integral points restricted to proper subvarieties

Ex: (Harpa 2015)

$$U: ((11x+5)y+3)z = 3x+1$$

violates HP, not via Brauer-Manin

If  $(x, y, z) \in U(\mathbb{Z})$ , then  $z \neq 0$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} |11x+5| &> |3x+1|+3 > |(11+5)y+3|+3 \\ &> |11x+5| \cdot |y| \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow y=0$ , but no such solus!

Alternatively, consider  $U(\mathbb{R})$ . Any  $(x, y, z)$  satisfies  $|z| \leq 1$  or  $|y| \leq 1$  or  $|x| \leq \frac{9}{8}$  (60)

Defn: Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}}^n$  be an irred. Zariski-closed subset,  
 $l \in \Gamma(\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}}^n, \mathcal{O}(1))^{\mathbb{Q}}$  a linear form,  $H = V(l) \subseteq \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}}^n$   
Set  $U := \cancel{X} \setminus H$ ,  $U$  is strongly unobstructed  
at  $\infty$  if every component  $U^i \subseteq U(\mathbb{R})$  satisfies:

Given  $d > 0$ , finitely many forms  $S_1, \dots, S_r \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}(d))$   
that are not scalar mults. of  $l^d$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$\exists x \in U^i(\mathbb{R})$  s.t.  $|S_i(x) / l^d(x)| \geq c \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq r$

Remark: This explains all examples above.

- If this condition is violated and  $U$  has only one real component, then integral pts. cannot be Zariski-dense in  $U$

Systems of two quadratic eqns. (w/ J. Jahnel)

Let  $Q_1, Q_2 \in \mathbb{Z}[x_0, \dots, x_4]$  be quad. forms

Consider  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^4$  given by  $\{Q_1 = Q_2 = 0, x_4 \neq 0\}$

• Integral pts. on  $\mathcal{U}$  correspond to solus.  $(x_0, \dots, x_4) \in \mathbb{Z}^5$   
with  $x_4 = \pm 1$

Again, properly a scheme  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{Z}}$

Otherwise, reduce mod  $p$   
and get  $x_4 \equiv 0$ .

Let  $U := \mathbb{A}^1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$

Filtration of Brauer group  $Br(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq Br_1(U) \subseteq Br(U)$

↑  
"algebraic part of Brauer"  
 $\text{Ker}(Br(U) \rightarrow Br(\bar{U}))$

Thm (Jahnel-S. 2016)  $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}}^4$  degree four del Pezzo surface,  $H \subseteq \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Q}}^4$   $\mathbb{Q}$ -rational hyperplane s.t.  $H \cap X$  is geometrically irred.,  $U := X \setminus H$ .

Then  $Br_1(U)/Br(\mathbb{Q})$  is isom. to one of the following:

$$0, \quad (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^k \quad 1 \leq k \leq 4$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\ell} \quad 0 \leq \ell \leq 2$$

Remark:  $Br_1(X)$  calculated by Swinnerton-Dyer:

$$Br_1(X)/Br(\mathbb{Q}) \cong 0, \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}, \text{ or } (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^2$$

Qn: Transcendental part of Brauer gp?

Prop:  $U, X, H$  as above.  $D := X \cap H$  non-singular, (genus 1)

Then  $Br(U)/Br_1(U) \hookrightarrow \text{Jac}(D)(\mathbb{Q})_{\text{tors}}$   
(If  $\exists \mathbb{Q}$  pt., an ell. curve)

• Constructing individual transcendental Brauer class difficult, but can show they exist in families.

$$\text{Ex: } X: \left. \begin{cases} x_0(8x_1 + 3) + x_2^2 - 3x_3 = 2 \\ (8x_3 + 2)(16x_1 + x_2 + 8x_3 + 8) + x_4^2 - 8x_1 = 3 \end{cases} \right\}$$

Violates HP w/ transcendental Brauer-Manin obstruction

Obstruction of the form  $(8x_1 + 3, 8x_3 + 2)$

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- $X$  strongly unobstructed at  $\emptyset$   
- no known "direct" proof that  $X(\mathbb{Z}) = \emptyset$ .

Qn: How often do we expect  $Br(U)/Br(\mathbb{Q}) \neq \emptyset$ ?

Assume  $X$  given by two quad. forms

$$(*) \quad X^T A x = x^T B x = 0, \quad A, B \in M_{5 \times 5}(\mathbb{Q})$$

$$\text{let } f(\lambda, \mu) := \det(\lambda A + \mu B)$$

Thm: If  $Br(U) \neq Br(\mathbb{Q})$ , then  $f(\lambda, \mu)$  is reducible  $/\mathbb{Q}$ .

A model family: Fix  $A \in M_{5 \times 5}(\mathbb{Q})$ ,  $\det(A) \neq 0$

$$N_{Br}(P) := \# \{ B \in M_{5 \times 5}(\mathbb{Z}) : B = B^T, |b_{ij}| \leq P,$$

(\*) smooth codim 2,  $Br(U) \neq Br(\mathbb{Q}) \}$

$$\text{Thm (J-S)} \quad N_{Br}(P) \ll P^{14 + \frac{1}{5} + \epsilon}$$

$$\text{Note: } |M_{5 \times 5}(\mathbb{Z})| = O(P^{15})$$

Qn: Are these the only possible obstructions?

"Two quad. forms on  $x_0, \dots, x_4$  are K3-surfaces, so perhaps in this setting"