# Experiments with the transcendental Brauer-Manin obstruction 

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## Observation

There are 64 non－trivial solutions of height $<100$ ：

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(-2, -24; 士216), (9, -24; \pm576), (-2, -3; \pm594), (4, -18; 士756), (5, -20; \pm800), (4, -14; 土924), (-5, -20; \pm1200),
(9, -3; \pm1584), (29, -29; 士1624), (10, -40;\pm1800), (5,-45;\pm1800), (8,-8;\pm1904), (-7,-18; 土2016),
(4,-50;\pm2100), (22,-11;\pm2310), (-7, -14; 士2464), (-5,-45;\pm2700), (18, -8; \pm2856), (-10,-11; \pm3850),
(-15,-40;\pm4800), (-7, -50; \pm5600), (-24, -40; \pm8400), (5, -80; 土8800), (-5, -80; \pm13200), (-32, -44; 土20064),
(14, -88; 土24024), (-55, -11; \pm30800), (-63, -11; 土36960), (-27, -64; \pm52416), (64, 14; \pm65520), (64, 27; \pm117936)
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## Remark

From the geometric point of view, $z^{2}=x(x-1)(x-25) u(u+25)(u+36)$ defines a K3 surface, more precisely a Kummer surface. It is obtained form the product $E \times E^{\prime}$ of the elliptic curves

$$
E: y^{2}=x(x-1)(x-25) \text { and } E^{\prime}: y^{\prime 2}=u(u+25)(u+36)
$$

by identifying $\left(x, y, u, y^{\prime}\right)$ with $\left(x,-y, u,-y^{\prime}\right)$.

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For $0 \neq \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Q}$, there is the sum formula $\sum(\alpha, \beta)_{p}=0$.

$$
p \in\{2,3,5, \ldots ; \infty\}
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One might try to search for such colourings experimentally. We had no success, found only those, which are known. These are related to the Brauer group.

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(3) Let $\alpha \in \operatorname{Br}(S)$ be any Brauer class. Then, for every $K$-rational point $p \in S(K)$, there is $\left.\alpha\right|_{p} \in \operatorname{Br}(\operatorname{Spec} K)$.
Hence, an adelic point not fulfilling the condition that the sum zero cannot be approximated by $\mathbb{Q}$-rational points.
This is called the Brauer-Manin obstruction to weak approximation.

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- Finally, $\operatorname{Br}(S) / \operatorname{Br}_{1}(S)$ injects into $\operatorname{Br}\left(S_{k}\right.$ sep $)$. This quotient is called the transcendental part of the Brauer group. For $k$ a number field, the corresponding obstruction is called a transcendental Brauer-Manin obstruction.


## The Brauer group of particular Kummer surfaces

## Proposition (Skorobogatov/Zarhin)

Let $E: y^{2}=x(x-a)(x-b)$ and $E^{\prime}: v^{2}=u\left(u-a^{\prime}\right)\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)$ be two elliptic curves over a field $k$, chark $=0$. Suppose that their 2-torsion points are defined over $k$ and that $E_{\bar{k}}$ and $E_{\bar{k}}^{\prime}$ are not isogenous to each other. Further, let $S:=\operatorname{Kum}\left(E \times E^{\prime}\right)$ be the corresponding Kummer surface. Then

$$
\operatorname{Br}(S)_{2} / \operatorname{Br}(k)_{2}=\operatorname{im}\left(\operatorname{Br}(S)_{2} \rightarrow \operatorname{Br}\left(S_{\bar{k}}\right)_{2}\right) \cong \operatorname{ker}\left(\mu: \mathbb{F}_{2}^{4} \rightarrow\left(k^{*} / k^{* 2}\right)^{4}\right)
$$

where $\mu$ is given by the matrix

$$
M_{a b a^{\prime} b^{\prime}}:=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & a b & a^{\prime} b^{\prime} & -a a^{\prime} \\
a b & 1 & a a^{\prime} & a^{\prime}\left(a^{\prime}-b^{\prime}\right) \\
a^{\prime} b^{\prime} & a a^{\prime} & 1 & a(a-b) \\
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$$
\operatorname{Br}(S)_{2} / \operatorname{Br}(k)_{2} \varsubsetneqq \operatorname{Br}\left(S_{\bar{k}}\right)_{2}^{\operatorname{Gal}(\bar{k} / k)} \cong \mathbb{F}_{2}^{4}
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- Transcendental Brauer-Manin obstruction:

Much less understood, seemingly more difficult.
First explicit example: Harari 1993.
Literature still very small. Often enormous efforts.
E.g., a whole Ph.D. thesis on one diagonal quartic surface, by Th. Preu.

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## Fact

Over the function field $k(S)$, each of the 16 vectors in $\mathbb{F}_{2}^{4}$ defines a Brauer class. Consider the four quaternion algebras

$$
A_{\mu, \nu}:=\left((x-\mu)(x-b),(u-\nu)\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)\right), \quad \mu=0, a, \nu=0, a^{\prime}
$$

Then $e_{1}$ corresponds to $A_{a, a^{\prime}}, e_{2}$ to $A_{a, 0}, e_{3}$ to $A_{0, a^{\prime}}$, and $e_{4}$ to $A_{0,0}$.

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Let $\alpha \in \operatorname{Br}(S)$ be a Brauer class, represented over $k(S)$ by the central simple algebra $\bigotimes_{i} A_{\mu_{i}, \nu_{i}}$.
Then the local evaluation map $\mathrm{ev}_{\alpha}: S(k) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{Z} / \mathbb{Z}$ is given by

$$
(x, u ; z) \mapsto \operatorname{ev}_{\alpha}((x, u ; z))=\sum_{i}\left(\left(x-\mu_{i}\right)(x-b),\left(u-\nu_{i}\right)\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)\right)_{k}
$$

## Constancy near the singular points

## Lemma

Let $p>2$ be a prime number and $a, b, a^{\prime}, b^{\prime} \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}$ be such that $E: y^{2}=x(x-a)(x-b)$ and $E^{\prime}: v^{2}=u\left(u-a^{\prime}\right)\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)$ are elliptic curves, not isogenous to each other. Put

$$
I:=\max \left(\nu_{p}(a), \nu_{p}(b), \nu_{p}(a-b), \nu_{p}\left(a^{\prime}\right), \nu_{p}\left(b^{\prime}\right), \nu_{p}\left(a^{\prime}-b^{\prime}\right)\right) .
$$

Consider the surface $S$ over $\mathbb{Q}_{p}$, given by

$$
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$$

Then, for every $\alpha \in \operatorname{Br}(S)_{2}$, the evaluation map $S\left(\mathbb{Q}_{p}\right) \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} / \mathbb{Z}$ is constant on the subset

$$
\begin{aligned}
T:=\{(x, u ; z) & \in S\left(\mathbb{Q}_{p}\right) \mid \nu_{p}(x)<0 \text { or } \nu_{p}(u)<0 \text { or } \\
& \left.x \equiv \mu, u \equiv \nu\left(\bmod p^{\prime+1}\right), \mu=0, a, b, \nu=0, a^{\prime}, b^{\prime}\right\} .
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- The case $k=\mathbb{Q}_{p}$ is a particular case of a very general result, due to J.-L. Colliot-Thélène and A. N. Skorobogatov. It also follows from the lemma above.


## The case of good reduction II

- $k=\mathbb{R}$ : Without loss of generality, suppose $a>b>0$ and $a^{\prime}>b^{\prime}>0$. Then

$$
M_{a b a^{\prime} b^{\prime}}=\left(\begin{array}{l}
+++- \\
++++ \\
++++ \\
-+++
\end{array}\right)
$$

has kernel $\left\langle e_{2}, e_{3}\right\rangle$. Representatives for $e_{2}$ and $e_{3}$ are $\left((x-a)(x-b), u\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)\right)_{\mathbb{R}}$ and $\left(x(x-b),\left(u-a^{\prime}\right)\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)\right)_{\mathbb{R}}$.
$e_{2}:\left((x-a)(x-b), u\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)\right)_{\mathbb{R}}=\frac{1}{2}$ would mean $(x-a)(x-b)<0$ and $u\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)<0$. Hence, $b<x<a$ and $0<u<b^{\prime}$. But then $x(x-a)(x-b) u\left(u-a^{\prime}\right)\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)<0$. There is no real point on $S$ corresponding to $(x, u)$.
For $e_{3}$, the argument is analogous.

## An algorithm determining the local evaluation map

## Algorithm

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(3) Run through $S_{2}$. For each element $\left(x_{0}, u_{0}, p^{e}\right)$, execute, in this order, the following operations.

- Test whether the corresponding set is non-empty. Otherwise, delete it.
- If $e \geq I+1, \nu_{p}(x-\mu) \geq I+1$ and $\nu_{p}(u-\nu) \geq I+1$ for some $\mu \in\{0, a, b\}$ and $\nu \in\left\{0, a^{\prime}, b^{\prime}\right\}$ then move $\left(x_{0}, u_{0}, p^{e}\right)$ to $S_{0}$.


## An algorithm determining the local evaluation map II

- Test naively, using the elementary properties of the Hilbert symbol, whether the elements in the corresponding set all have the same evaluation. If this test succeeds then move $\left(x_{0}, u_{0}, p^{e}\right)$ to $S_{0}$ or $S_{1}$, accordingly.
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## Back to the introductory example

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$$
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25 & 1 & -25 & -275 \\
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\end{array}\right) \widehat{=}\left(\begin{array}{rrrr}
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1 & -1 & 1 & -6 \\
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$$

with $\operatorname{ker} M=\left\langle e_{1}\right\rangle$. Thus, there is a non-trivial Brauer class.
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## Remark

Consider $a=1, b=25, a^{\prime}=-25, b^{\prime}=-36$.
By 1, we have constancy at $2,3,11$. By 2 , there is non-constancy at 5 .

## A sample

Determined all Kummer surfaces of the form

$$
z^{2}=x(x-a)(x-b) u\left(u-a^{\prime}\right)\left(u-b^{\prime}\right)
$$

allowing coefficients of absolute value $\leq 200$ and having a transcendental 2-torsion Brauer class.

More precisely,

- we determined all $\left(a, b, a^{\prime}, b^{\prime}\right) \in \mathbb{Z}^{4}$ such that $\operatorname{gcd}(a, b)=1$, $\operatorname{gcd}\left(a^{\prime}, b^{\prime}\right)=1, a>b>0, a-b, b \leq 200$, as well as $a^{\prime}<b^{\prime}<0$, $a^{\prime}-b^{\prime}, b^{\prime} \geq-200$ and the matrix $M_{a b a^{\prime} b^{\prime}}$ has a non-zero kernel.
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(1) We say that a Brauer class $\alpha \in \operatorname{Br}(S)$ works at a prime $p$ if the local evaluation map $\mathrm{ev}_{\alpha, p}$ is non-constant.
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## BM-relevant primes

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$(25,16,-169,-25)$ :
One Brauer class works at 3 and 13, another at 5 and 13, and the last at all three.
Remaining surfaces:

| \# relevant primes | \# surfaces |
| :---: | ---: |
| - | 6 |
| 1 | 428 |
| 2 | 1577 |
| 3 | 1119 |
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| 5 | 9 |
| 6 | 1 |

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| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| \#primes | \#surfaces | $N=50$ | 100 | 200 | 400 | 800 | 1600 | 3200 | 6400 | 12800 |  |
| 2 | 1577 | 190 | 56 | 22 | - |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 1119 | 555 | 187 | 48 | 1 | - |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | 262 | 262 | 200 | 127 | 67 | 36 | 24 | 13 | 4 |  |  |
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